

Differentiable Cosmological Simulation with Adjoint Method

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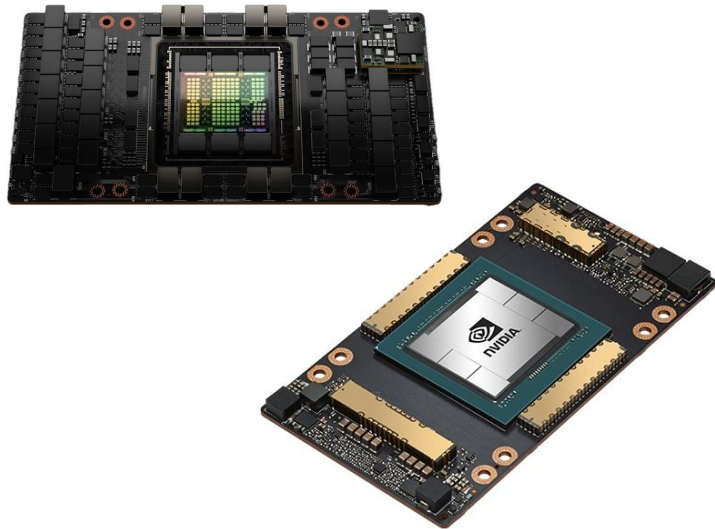
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Thanks to the Deep Learning Revolution

Hardware



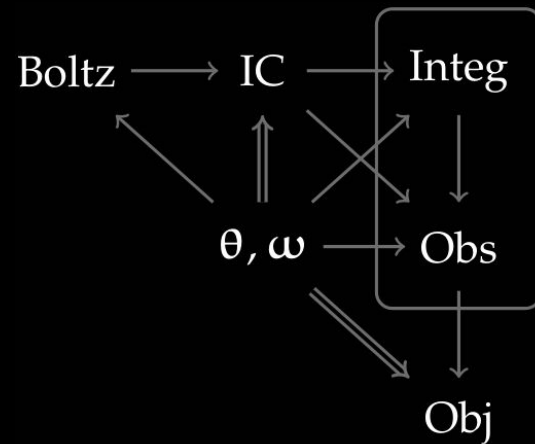
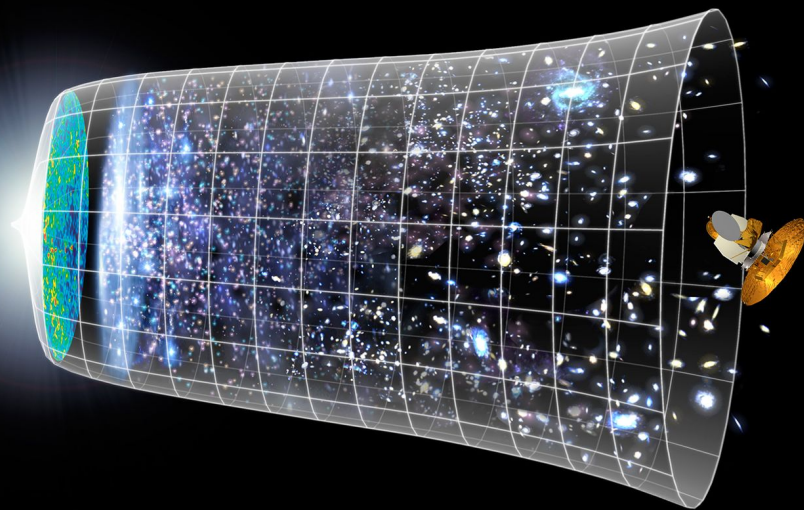
Software



Differentiability: what & why

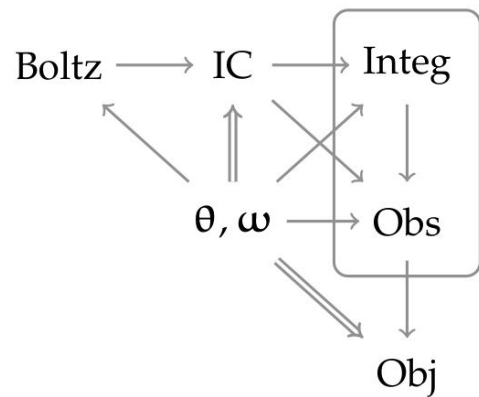
- Specifically, the gradient of the objective/posterior to the input parameters
 - cosmological + ICs + astrophysical + foregrounds + systematics
 - forward model at field level, great for joint SBI/LFI of multiple probes while avoiding summary statistics and covariances
- Optimization
 - Backpropagation (automatic differentiation, a special case of the Adjoint Method)
- Inference
 - Sampling (MCMC): Hamiltonian Monte Carlo & Langevin Monte Carlo
 - Variational Inference (VI): inference by optimization
 - NN+Sampling, NN+VI (Modi, YL, & Blei 2023)
- Future applications
 - Can be combined with other differentiable models: semi-analytic, empirical, NNs
 - Baseline for new physics (PNG and dark matter) and galaxy formation

Cosmological Forward Model

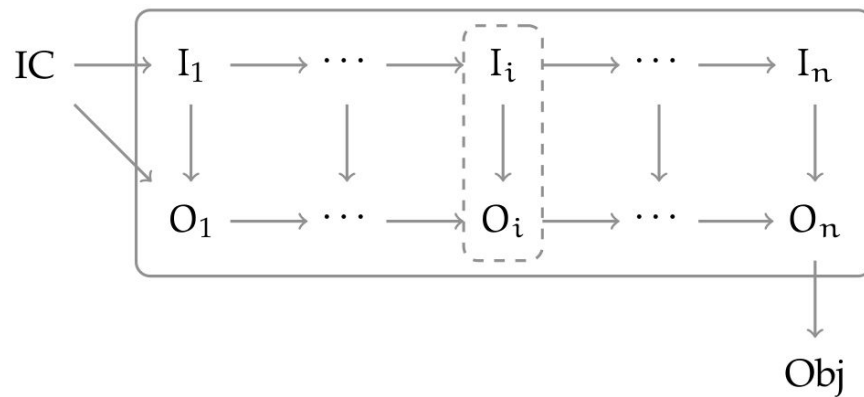


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Forward to Model

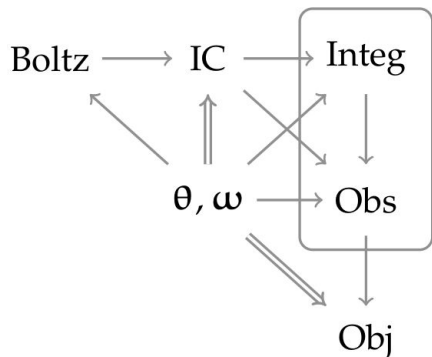


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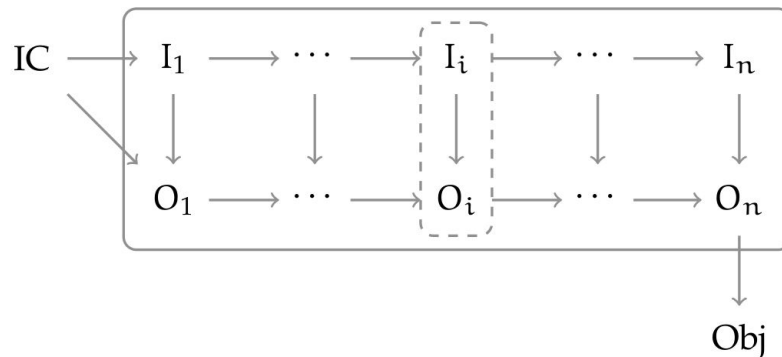


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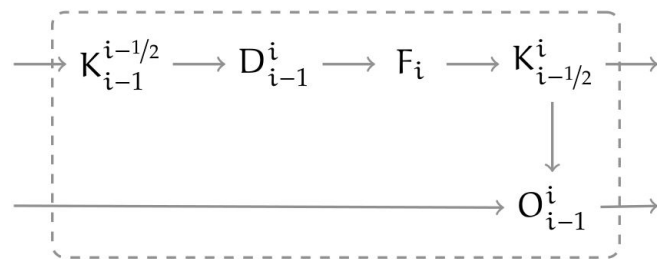
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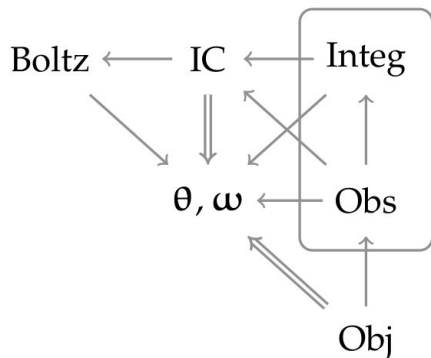


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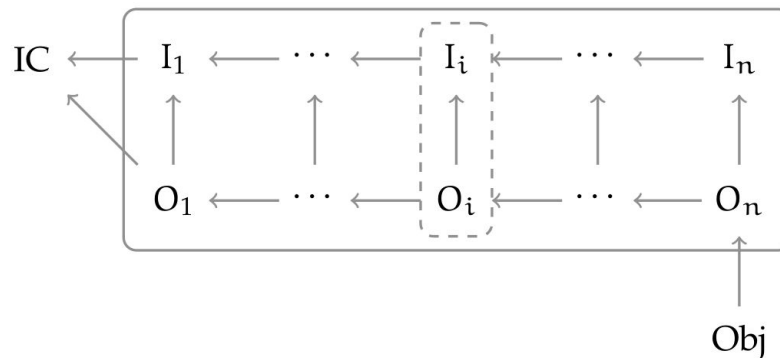


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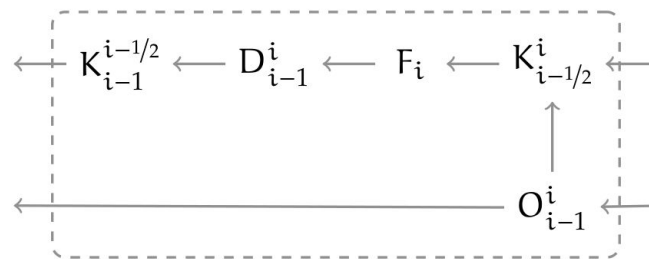
Backward for Inference or Optimization



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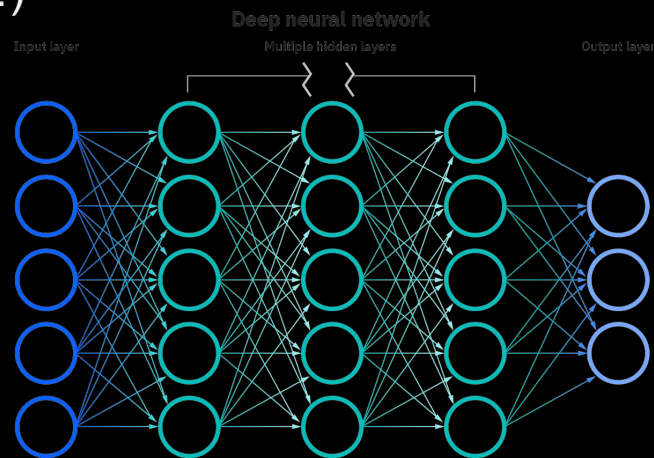
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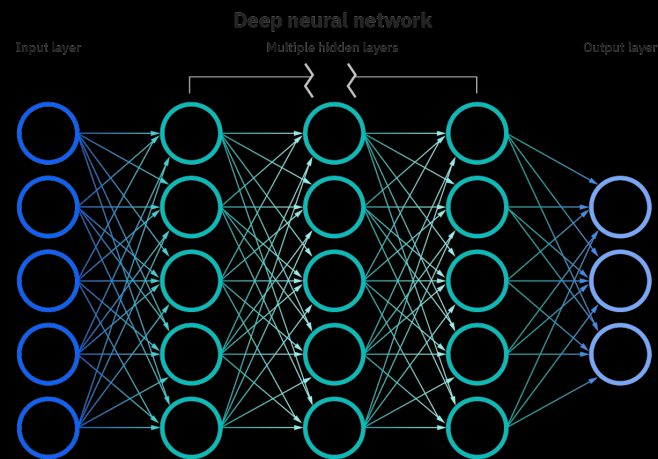
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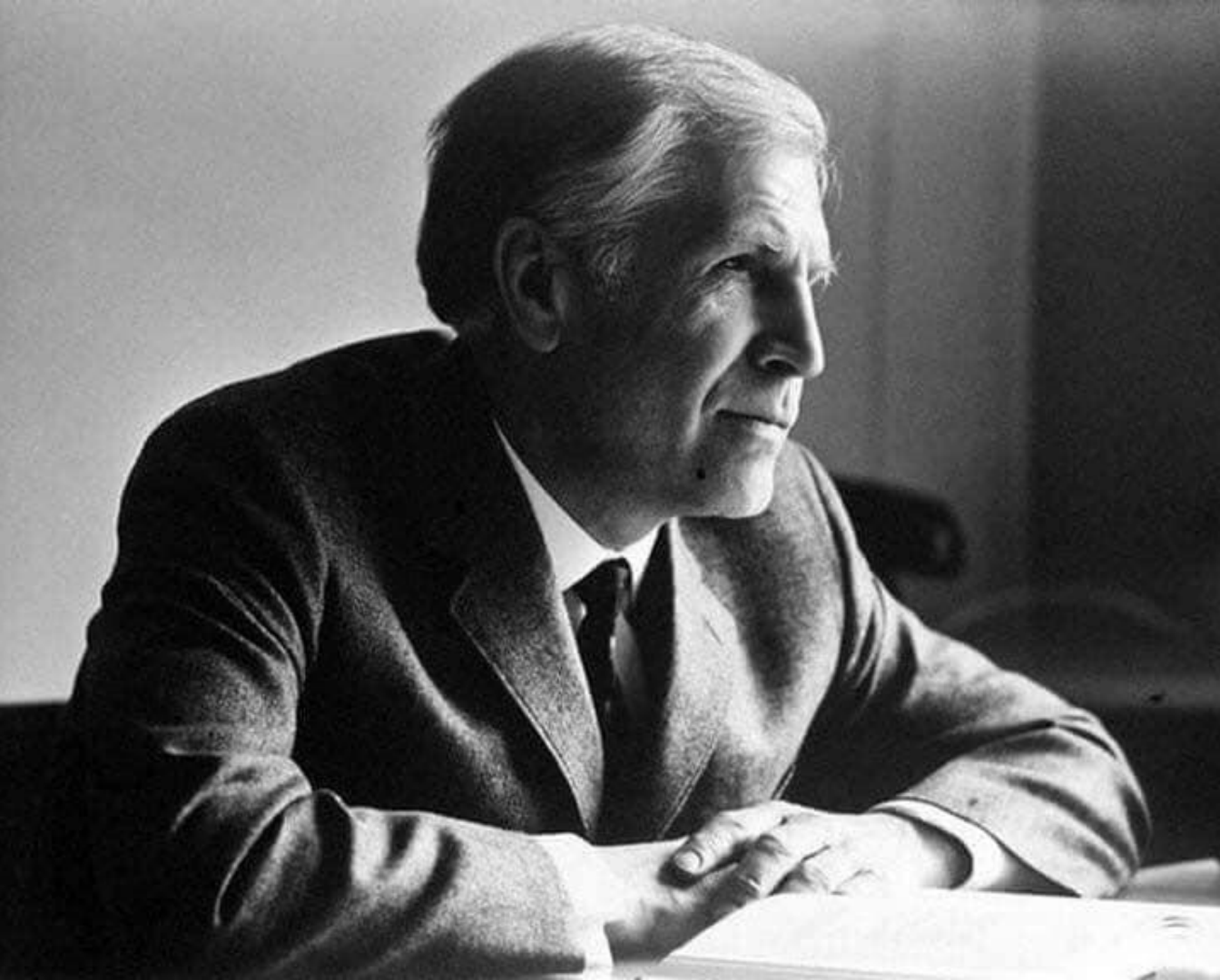
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Adjoint method: optimization under constraint

Lev Pontryagin 1956, also cf. Neural ODE





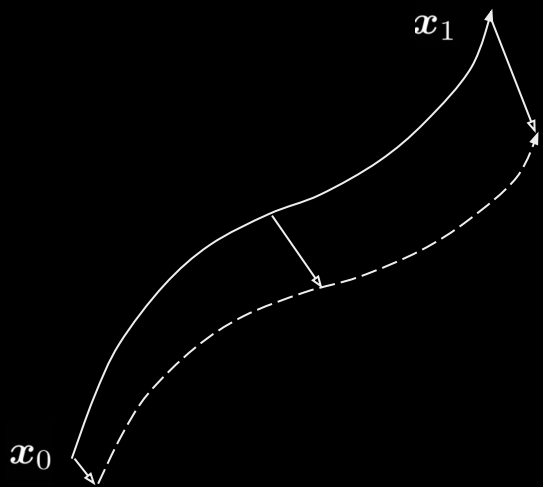
Adjoint method 1950s

Automatic differentiation
1960s~1970s

Backprop popularized for
training NNs 1980s

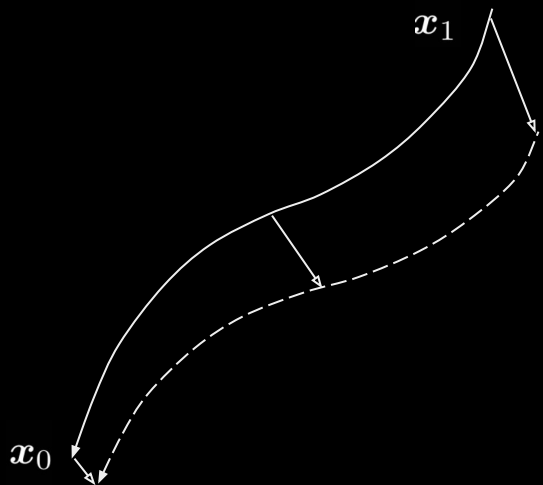
Deep learning revolution
2010s

Algorithm Summary: Forward



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Algorithm Summary: Backward



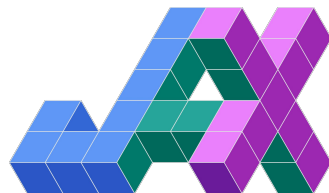
$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{F}_k(\mathbf{x}_k, \boldsymbol{\theta}), \quad k = 0, \dots, n-1,$$

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{k-1} = \boldsymbol{\lambda}_k + \boldsymbol{\lambda}_k \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}_{k-1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{k-1}}, \quad \boldsymbol{\lambda}_n = -\frac{\partial \mathcal{J}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_n},$$

$$\frac{d\mathcal{J}}{d\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \frac{d\mathcal{L}}{d\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{J}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} - \boldsymbol{\lambda}_0 \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_0}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} - \sum_{k=1}^n \boldsymbol{\lambda}_k \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}_{k-1}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}}.$$

pmwd: Differentiable Particle-Mesh Library

- A new code based on JAX
 - ✓ fast sim on GPU
 - ✓ 2x memory & 3~4x runtime with derivatives
 - ✓ open sourced at github.com/eelregit/pmwd



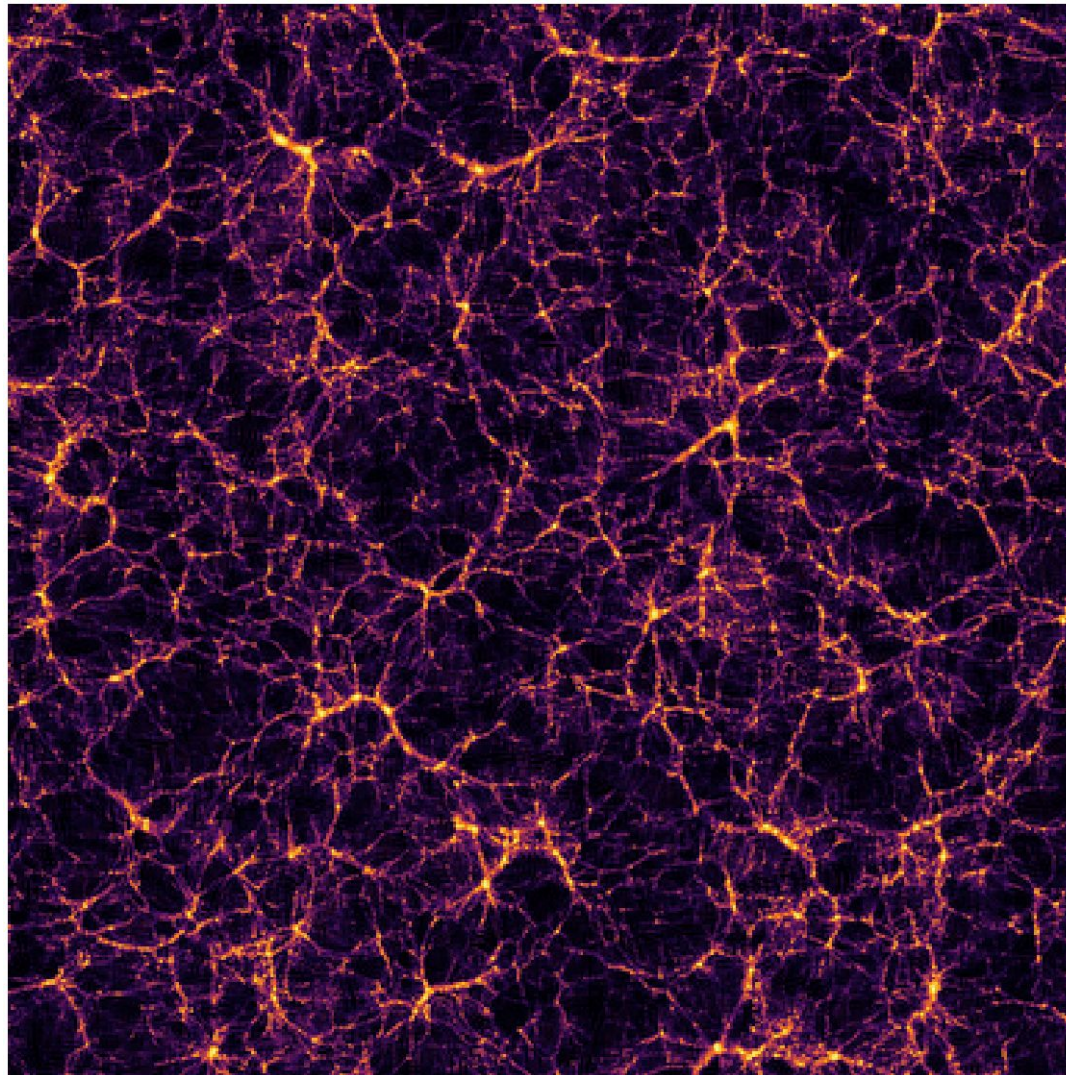
20s to run this:

512^3 particles

1024^3 mesh

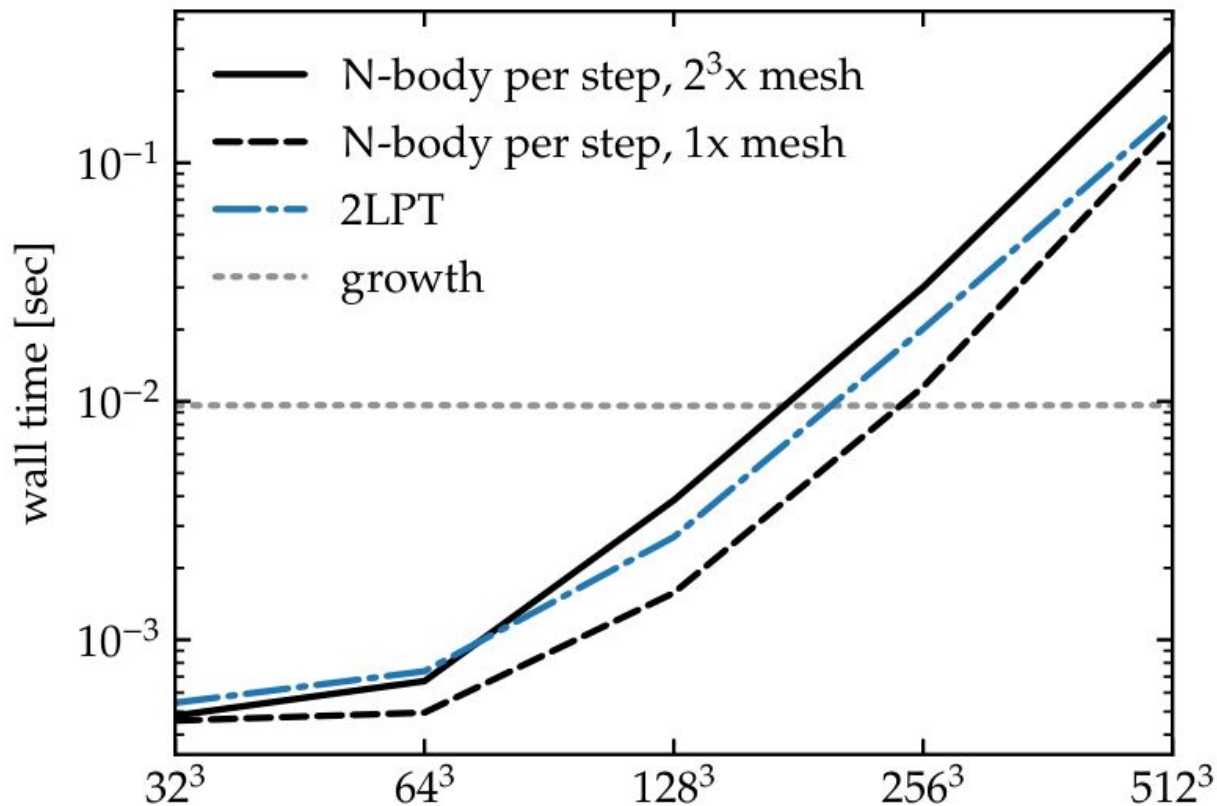
63 time steps

1 A100 80GB SXM4



50
20
10
5
2
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.5
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Performance



Alternative to Established Workflows in Cosmology

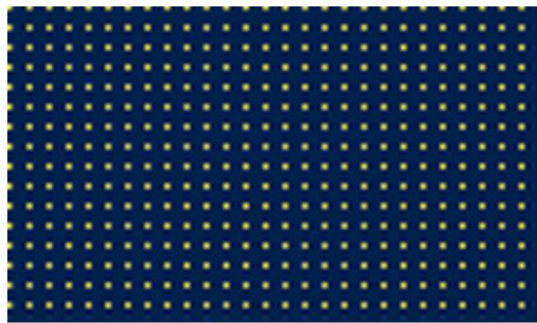
- Data compression into summary statistics:
 - Power spectra or 2-point correlation functions
 - Polyspectra or N-point correlation functions
 - Histograms/PDFs, skewness, kurtosis, ...
 - Abundances of halos, galaxies, ...

Risk of information loss

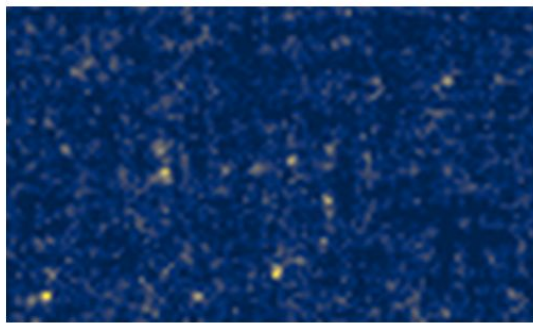
- Modeling and Inference
 - Perturbation theories (EFTs), Emulators calibrated with simulations
 - MCMC assuming Gaussian likelihood

Difficulties on nonlinearity, cross-correlation, cross-covariance, Gaussianity of likelihood

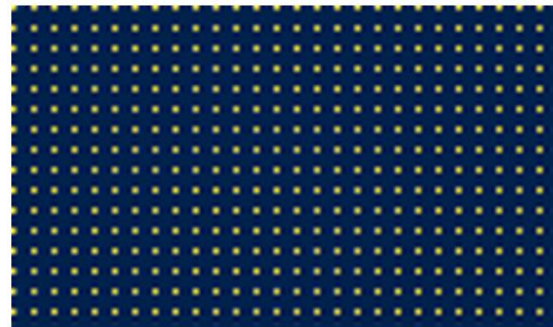
A Toy Optimization Problem



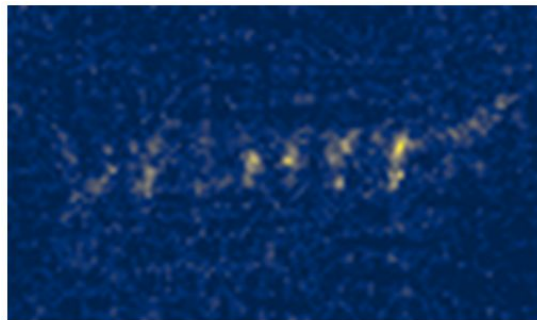
(a) initial conditions at $\alpha = 1/64$



(b) final snapshot at $\alpha = 1$



(c) reverse evolution back to $\alpha = 1/64$



(d) optimization for 10 iterations at $\alpha = 1$

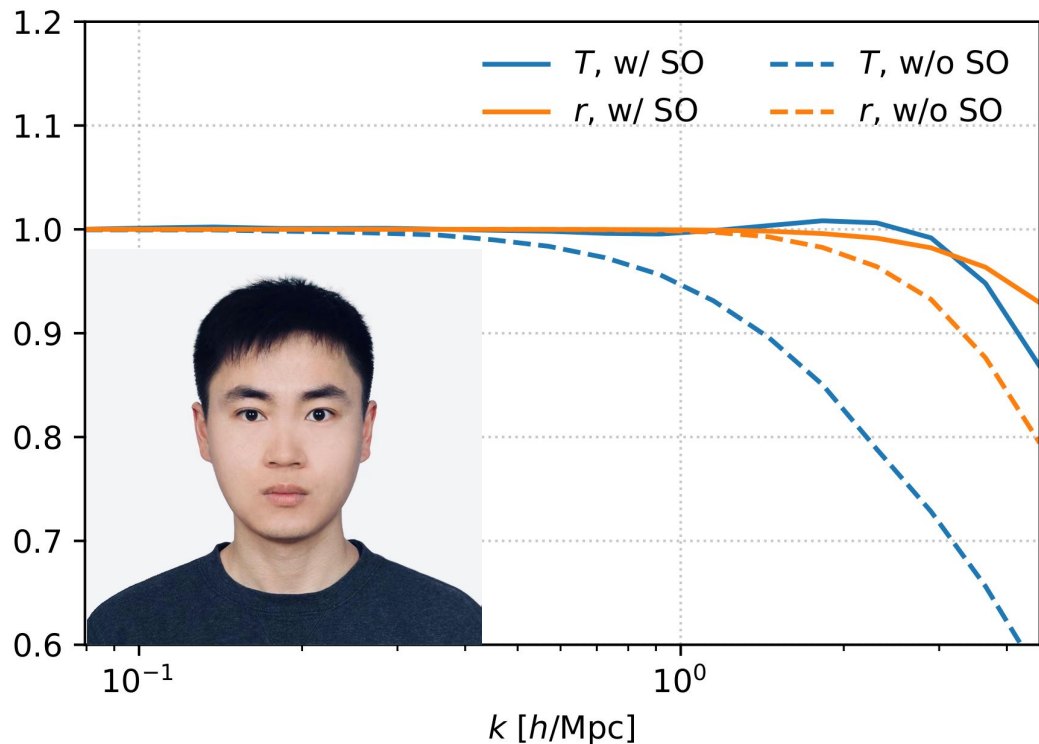


(e) optimization for 100 iterations at $\alpha = 1$



(f) optimization for 1000 iterations at $\alpha = 1$

Spatial optimization (SO) to match Gadget-4 under high accuracy settings



“sharpen” the PM force:

$$\frac{ik_i}{k^2} \rightarrow \frac{ik_i}{k^2} f(k_i; \vartheta) g(k_1, k_2, k_3; \vartheta),$$

quantify accuracy by:

$$T(\mathbf{k}) \triangleq \sqrt{\frac{|\hat{\delta}(\mathbf{k})|^2}{|\delta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}, \quad r(\mathbf{k}) \triangleq \frac{\Re[\hat{\delta}(\mathbf{k})\delta^*(\mathbf{k})]}{\sqrt{|\hat{\delta}(\mathbf{k})|^2|\delta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}.$$

2k CPU-hours vs O(100s) of GPU-ms

Applications

- **Fast mocks**
 - Covariance for established workflows with summary statistics
 - Simulation-based inference (Likelihood free inference, implicit inference)
- **Field-level inference (explicit inference) for cosmology**
 - marginalizing over initial conditions, astrophysics, etc.
- **Inferring initial conditions**
 - fixing/marginalizing over cosmology, astrophysics, etc.
 - explicit inference
 - implicit inference?

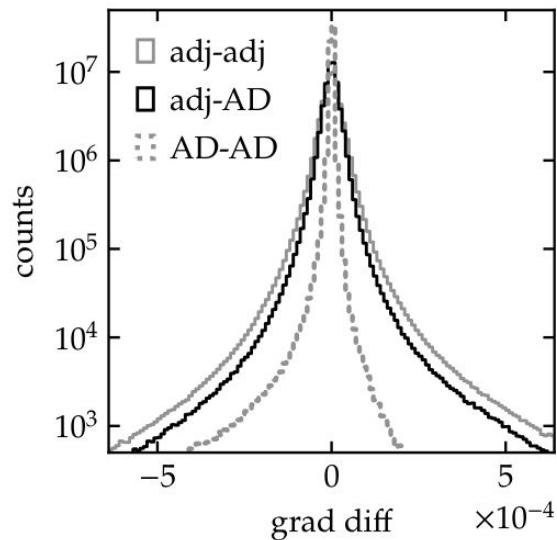
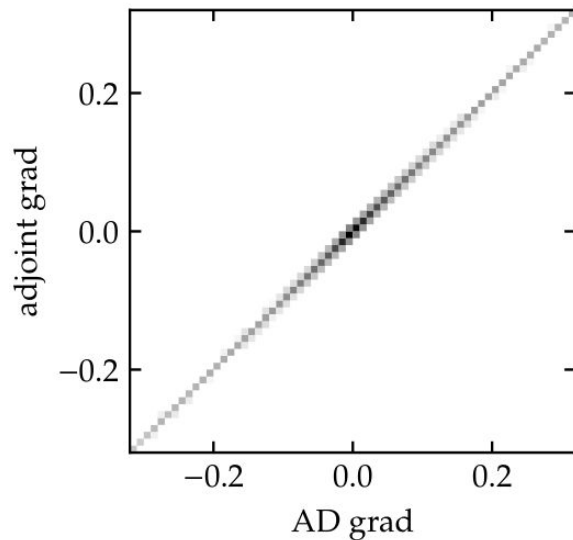
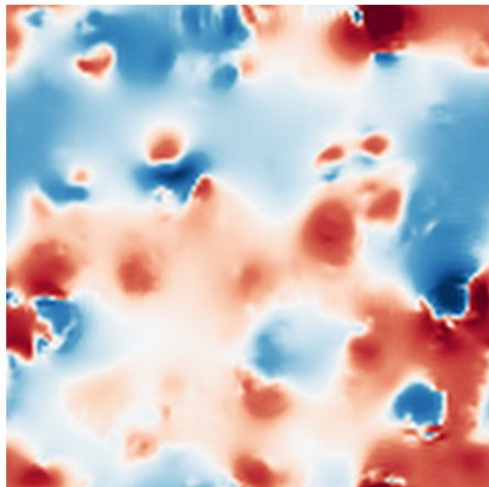
Summary

- Efficient differentiation in cosmological simulations, only $O(1)$ x increase in space & time complexities
- pmwd: fast differentiable particle-mesh simulation code on GPUs
- Many future development and potential applications

Future development and applications

- Works in progress/planning:
 - short-range PP force
 - distributed parallelization on GPUs: 2 ways, sCOLA & direct
 - various cosmological probes: weak lensing, galaxies, Ly α skewers, intensity mapping, etc.
 - inference algorithms in high-dimensional space
- Differentiable simulations as base for cosmo. & astrophys. models
 - differentiable dark matter-observable connection à la biasing/HOD/SAM/etc.
 - differentiable foregrounds and systematics
 - from parameterized models to neural networks
- New physics
 - Add massive neutrinos
 - Baseline for inflation models, dark matters, etc
- Galaxy formation simulations?

Accuracy of the Gradients: Comparison with Automatic Differentiation



Reversibility

precision	cell/ptcl	ptcl mass [$10^{10}M_{\odot}$]	time steps	disp rel diff	vel rel diff
single	8	1	63	5.2×10^{-2}	7.1×10^{-2}
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double	8	1	63	5.4×10^{-11}	1.3×10^{-10}
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