

# Structure-preserving neural networks: energy conservation for turbulence closure models

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# Why?

We are dealing with problems of the form

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = f(u, t),$$

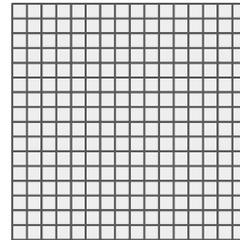
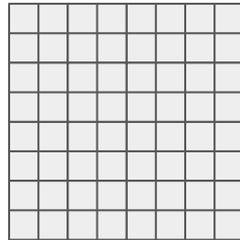
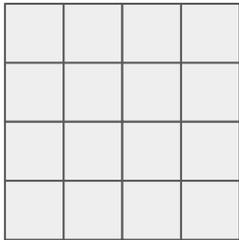
$$u(\mathbf{x}, 0) = u_0(\mathbf{x})$$

Discretizing this system gives

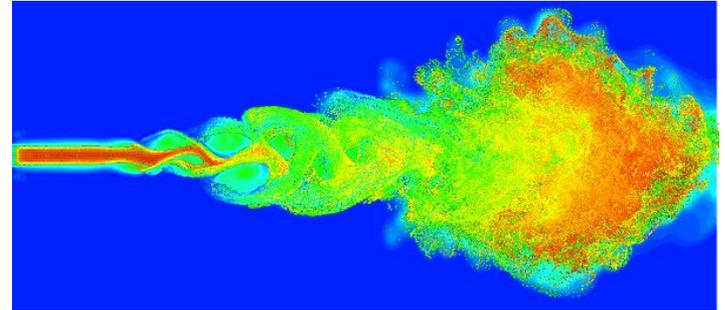
$$\frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dt} = f_h(\mathbf{u}, t),$$

$$\mathbf{u}(0) = \mathbf{u}_0$$

Problem: system can be very high dimensional

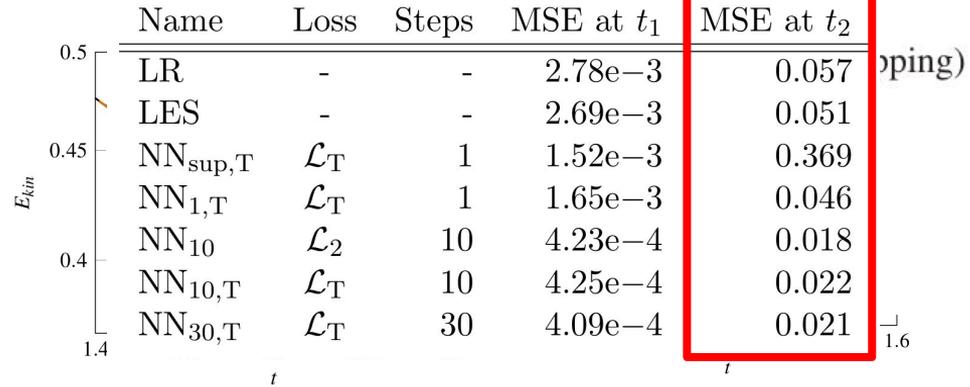
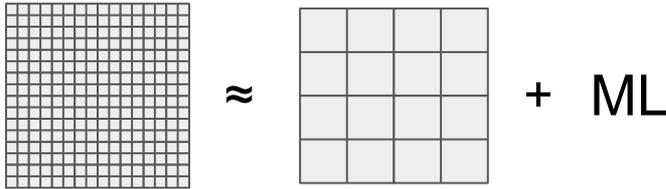


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# Machine learning solution

- Machine learning in LES framework



- **Problem: machine learning representation of closure model can be unstable**
- Current approaches include:
  - Stability training on data with artificial noise (*Marius Kurz, Andrea Beck, 2021*)
  - Minimizing (or eliminating) backscatter (*Jonghwan Park, Haecheon Choi, 2021*)
  - trajectory fitting (*Björn List, Li-Wei Chen, Nils Thuerey, 2022*)

Idea: build physical structure, such as energy conservation, into ML model to boost accuracy and stability

# Korteweg-De Vries equation + filtering

# Governing equation

- Korteweg-de Vries (KdV) equation<sup>1</sup>

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + 3 \frac{\partial u^2}{\partial x} = - \frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial x^3}$$

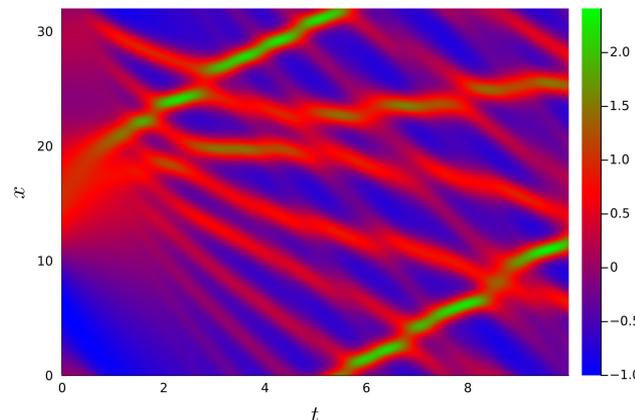
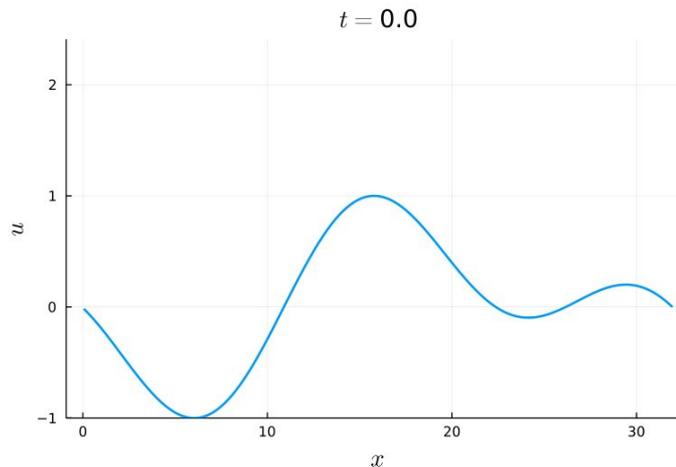
- Exhibits soliton solutions
- Energy conserving (periodic BCs):

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} u^2 d\Omega}_{=: E} = 0$$

- Discretized using skew-symmetric scheme

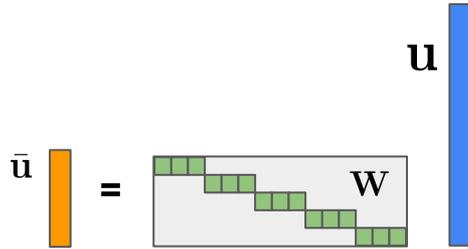
$$\frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dt} = -3\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}) - \mathbf{D}_3\mathbf{u}$$

<sup>1</sup> PDE parameters taken from “Learning data driven discretizations for partial differential equations” (Bar-Sinai 2019)

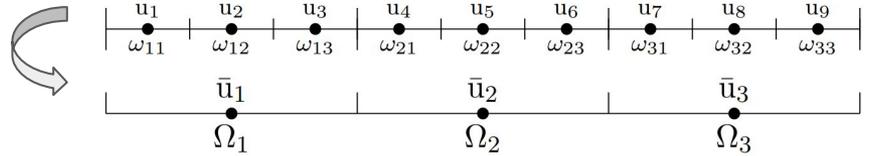


# Filtering + closure term

- Filtering reduces dimensionality of the problem
- Our filter: discrete spatial average represented by  $\mathbf{W}$

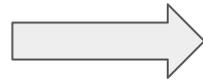


$\mathbf{W}$



- Filter commutes with time-derivative

$$\mathbf{W} \frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dt} = \frac{d(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{u})}{dt} = \frac{d\bar{\mathbf{u}}}{dt}$$



- Filter does not commute with spatial discretization

$$\mathbf{W} f_h(\mathbf{u}, t) \neq f_H(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{u}, t) = f_H(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, t)$$

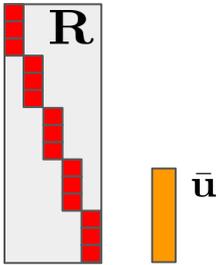
$$\frac{d\bar{\mathbf{u}}}{dt} = \underbrace{f_H(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, t)}_{=f_H(\bar{\mathbf{u}})} + \underbrace{(\mathbf{W} f_h(\mathbf{u}, t) - f_H(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, t))}_{=:c(\mathbf{u}, t)}$$

Closure term

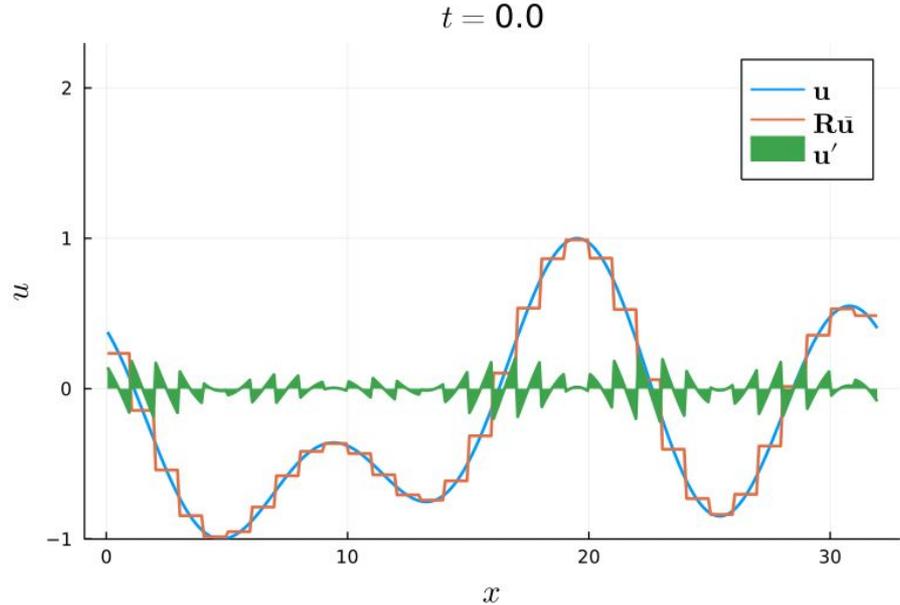
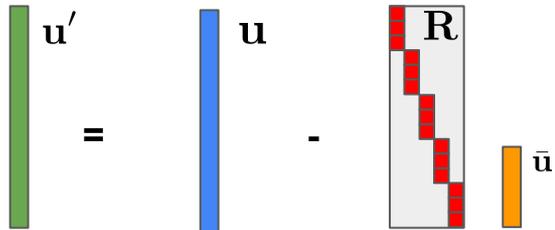
Discretization on coarse grid

# Reconstruction

- Reconstruction operator  $\mathbf{R}$ : projects  $\bar{\mathbf{u}}$  onto fine grid



- Definition of subgrid-scale content



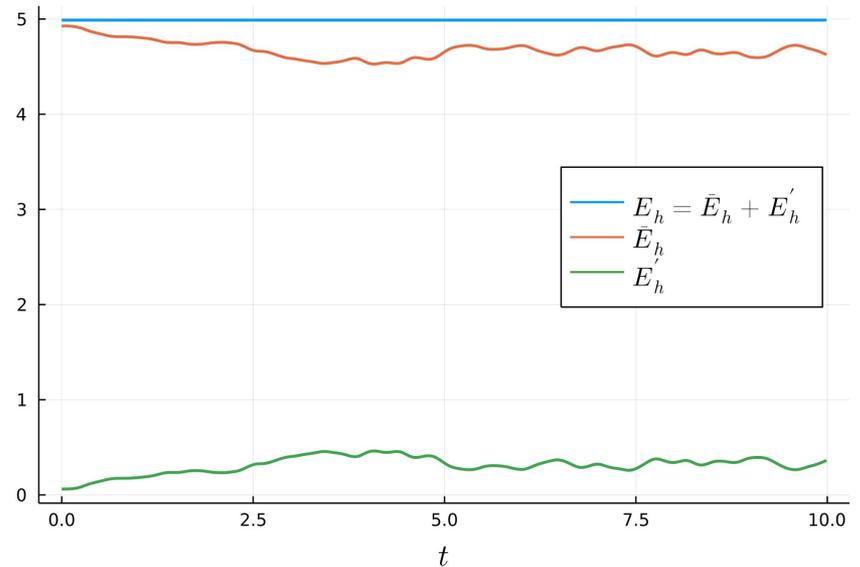
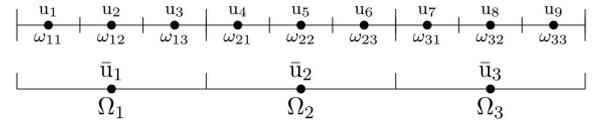
# Energy decomposition

- Due to choice of filter we can decompose energy:

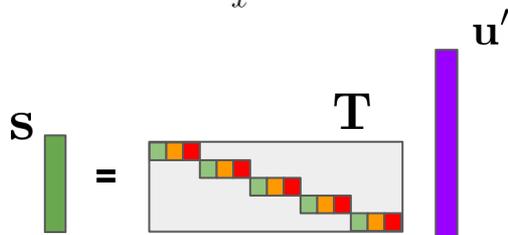
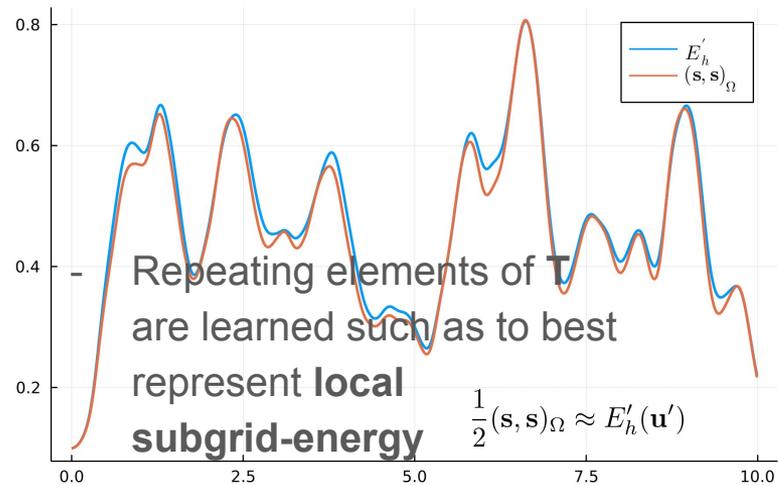
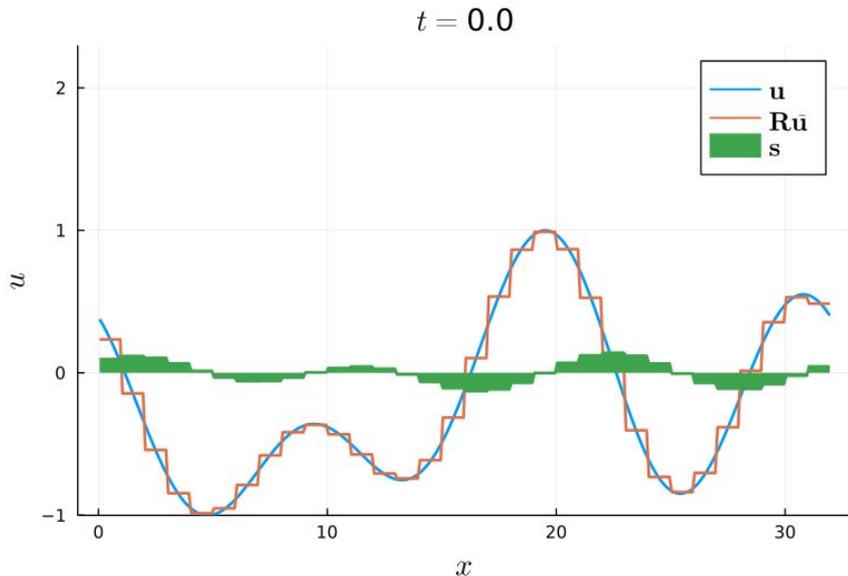
$$E_h = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \bar{\mathbf{u}})_\Omega}_{=: \bar{E}_h} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{u}', \mathbf{u}')_\omega}_{=: E'_h}$$

- Leads to the following for the time-evolution

$$\frac{dE_h}{dt} = \frac{d\bar{E}_h(\bar{\mathbf{u}})}{dt} + \frac{dE'_h(\mathbf{u}')}{dt} = 0$$



# Subgrid-compression: practice



~~$\frac{dE_h(\bar{\mathbf{u}})}{dt} + \frac{dE'_h(\mathbf{u}')}{dt} = 0$~~

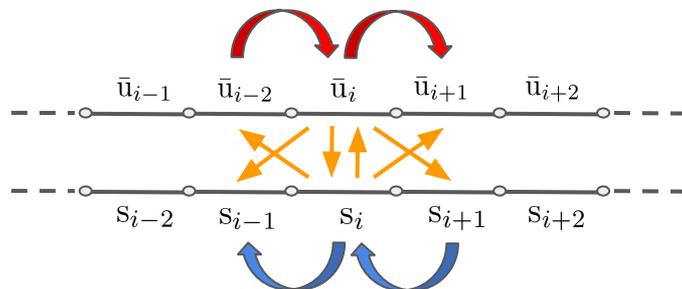
$\mathbf{s} = \arg \min \sum_{d=1}^D \left\| \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{s}_d^2 - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{u}'_d)^2 \right\|_2^2$

$$\frac{d\bar{E}_h(\bar{\mathbf{u}})}{dt} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d(\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{s})_\omega}{dt} = 0$$

# Closure modelling

# Skew-symmetric framework

- Closure model represented by local **energy** exchange (follows the arrows)



CNN



$$\mathcal{K}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{s}; \Theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_1 & \mathbf{K}_2 \\ -\mathbf{K}_2^T & \mathbf{K}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

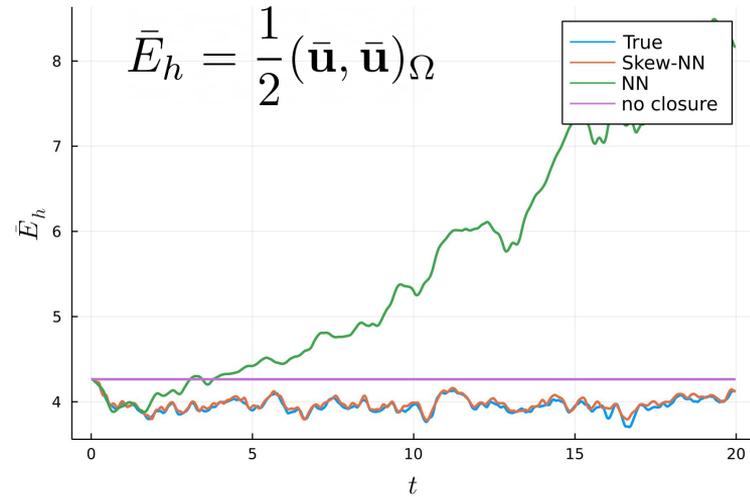
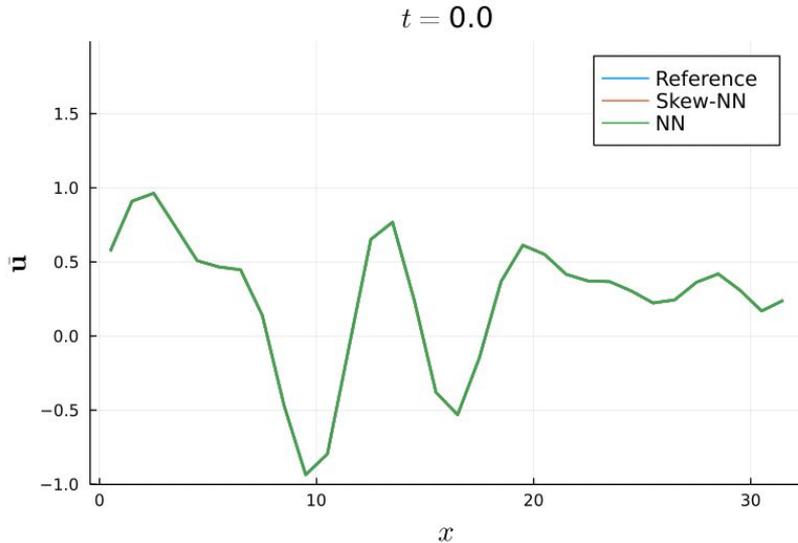
- Represented by skew-symmetric matrix multiplication  $\mathcal{K} = \mathbf{K} - \mathbf{K}^T$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{d\bar{\mathbf{u}}}{dt} \\ \frac{d\mathbf{s}}{dt} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_H(\bar{\mathbf{u}}) \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} + \mathcal{K}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{s}; \Theta) \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{u}} \\ \mathbf{s} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \frac{d\bar{E}_h(\bar{\mathbf{u}})}{dt} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d(\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{s})_\omega}{dt} = 0$$

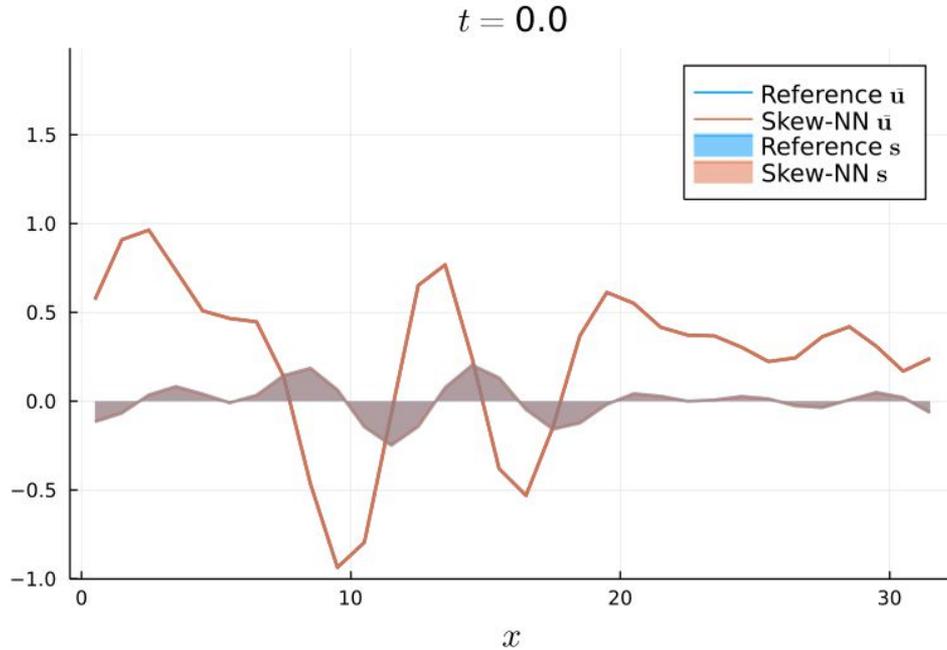
# Results

# Presented framework improves quality+stability of solution

- Trained on many different initial conditions and tested on unseen initial conditions
- Reduction from  $N = 600 \rightarrow N = 30$
- Compare to standard CNN

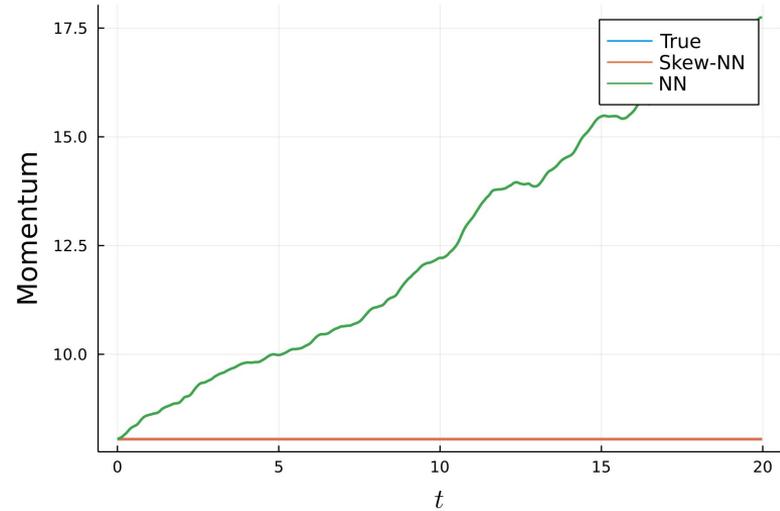
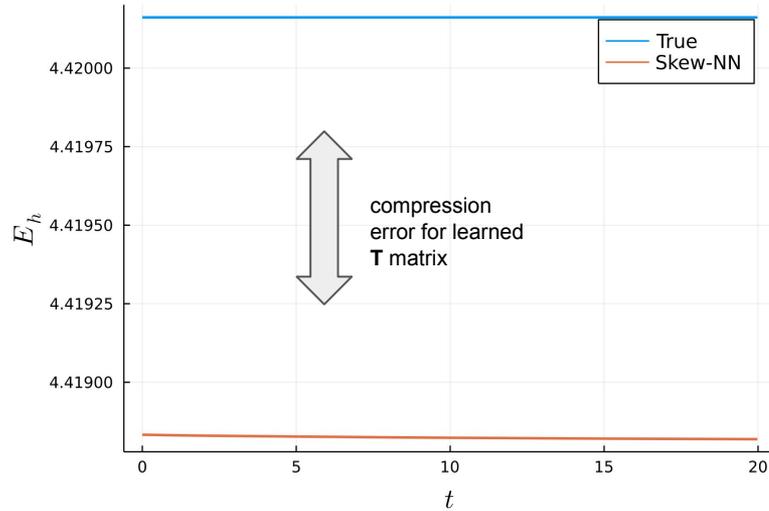


# Evolution of the subgrid-content matches nicely



$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{d\bar{u}}{dt} \\ \frac{d\bar{s}}{dt} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_H(\bar{u}) \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} + \mathcal{K}(\bar{u}, \bar{s}; \Theta) \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u} \\ \bar{s} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Skew-symmetric NN indeed preserves relevant structure

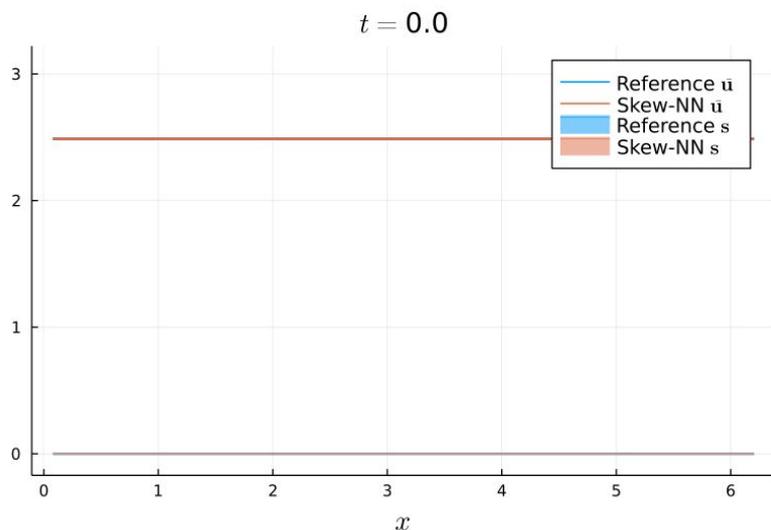


$$\frac{d\bar{E}_h(\bar{\mathbf{u}})}{dt} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d(\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{s})_\omega}{dt} = 0$$

$$\left(\mathbf{1}, \frac{d\bar{\mathbf{u}}}{dt}\right)_\Omega = 0$$

# Model can be enhanced with diffusive terms to work on Burgers' equation with viscosity

- Reduction from  $N = 1000 \rightarrow N = 40$



$$\mathcal{P} = -Q^T Q$$

Strictly dissipative form  
based on  
Cholesky-decomposition

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{d\bar{u}}{dt} \\ \frac{d\mathbf{s}}{dt} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_H(\bar{\mathbf{u}}) \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} + \mathcal{K}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{s}; \Theta) \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{u}} \\ \mathbf{s} \end{bmatrix} + \mathcal{P}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{s}; \Theta) \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{u}} \\ \mathbf{s} \end{bmatrix}$$

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- Introduced subgrid-scale compression, representing the local unresolved energy content
- Introduced skew-symmetric CNN framework for closure models
- Framework conserves energy & momentum and is stable by design
- Successfully applied to KdV equation & Burgers' equation (BCs)
- Downsides:
  - Additional unknowns  $\mathbf{S}$
  - Compression is not perfect

## What next?

- Write article
- Navier-Stokes (2D/3D)

