

Accelerating the simulation of equation-based models by replacing non-linear algebraic loops with error-controlled machine learning surrogates

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# Why non-linear Loops?

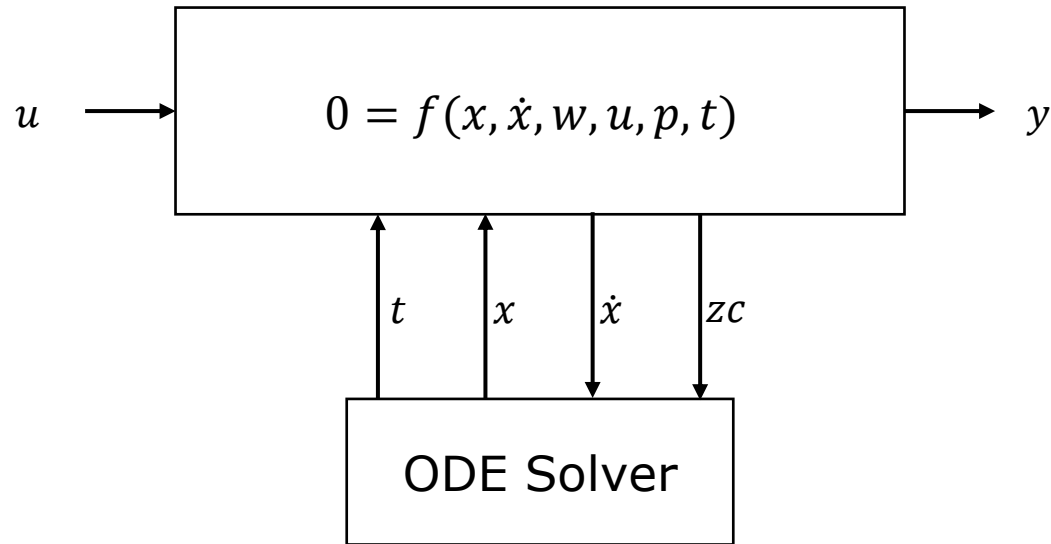
A.k.a. non-linear equation systems / strong components

# Replacing Strong Components

Why replace non-linear algebraic loops?

- Expensive to solve
- Error control possible
- Improve ODE solver step size
- Learning task easier than learning whole ODE
- Improved start values for classic NLS solver
- Keep most of the physics

# Replacing Strong Components



$t$  time  
 $p$  parameters  
 $u(t)$  inputs  
 $x(t)$  continuous states  
 $w(t)$  local variables  
 $y(t)$  outputs  
 $zc(t)$  event indicators

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Machine learning  
surrogate  $f_s$

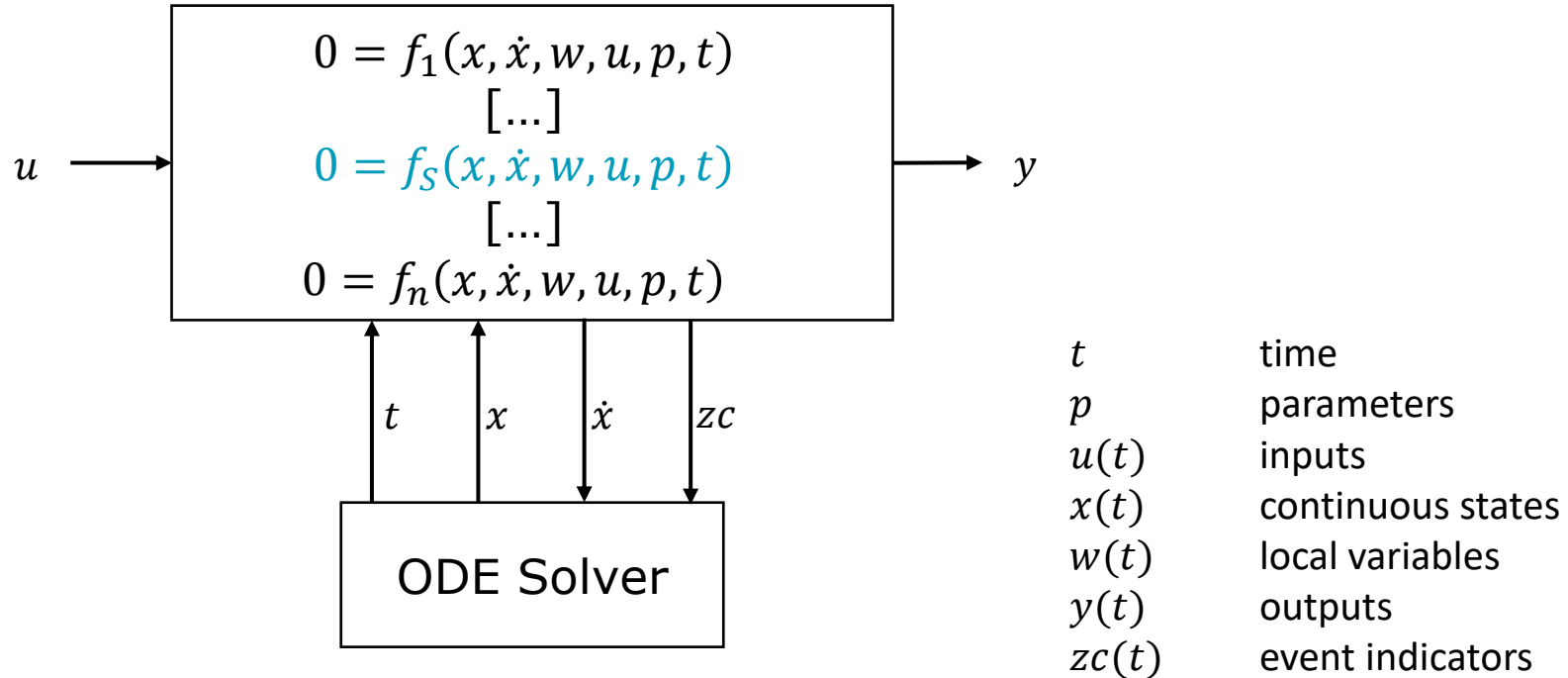
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# Example

Simple Loop with two unknowns



# Example: Simple Loop

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$$rs + b = x + y$$

Transformed into:

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Tearing



```
model simpleLoop
  Real r(min = 0);
  Real s(min = -sqrt(2), max = sqrt(2));
  Real x(start=1.0), y(start=0.5);
  parameter Real b = -0.5;
equation
  r = 1+time;
  s = sqrt((2-time)*0.9);
  r^2 = x^2 + y^2;
  r*s + b = x + y;
end simpleLoop;
```

2 Unknowns:  $x, y$

1 Iteration variable:  $y$

Parameters:  $b$

Knowns:  $r, s$

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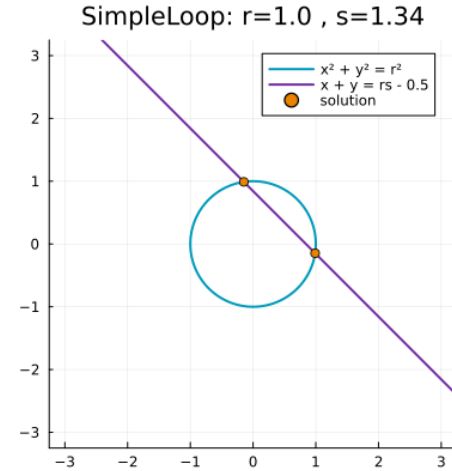
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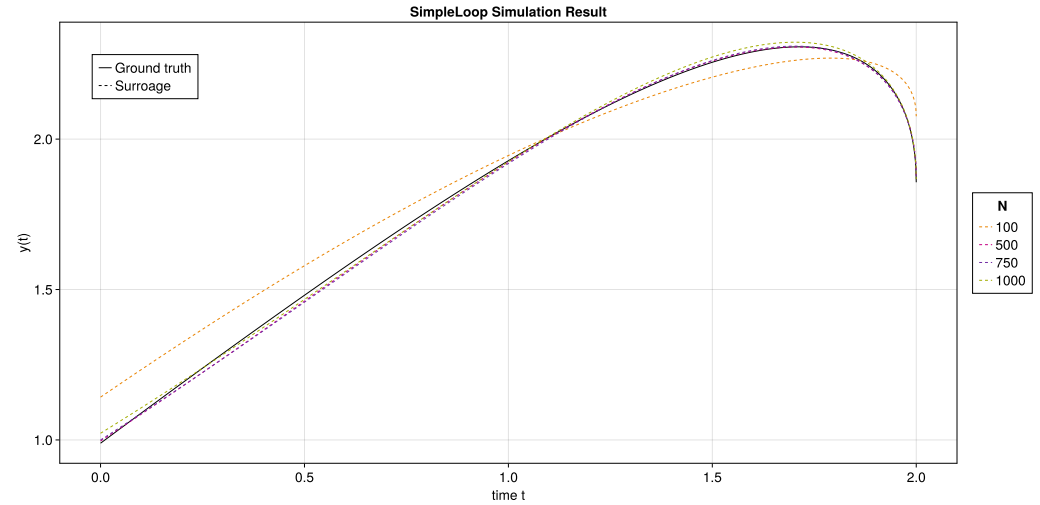
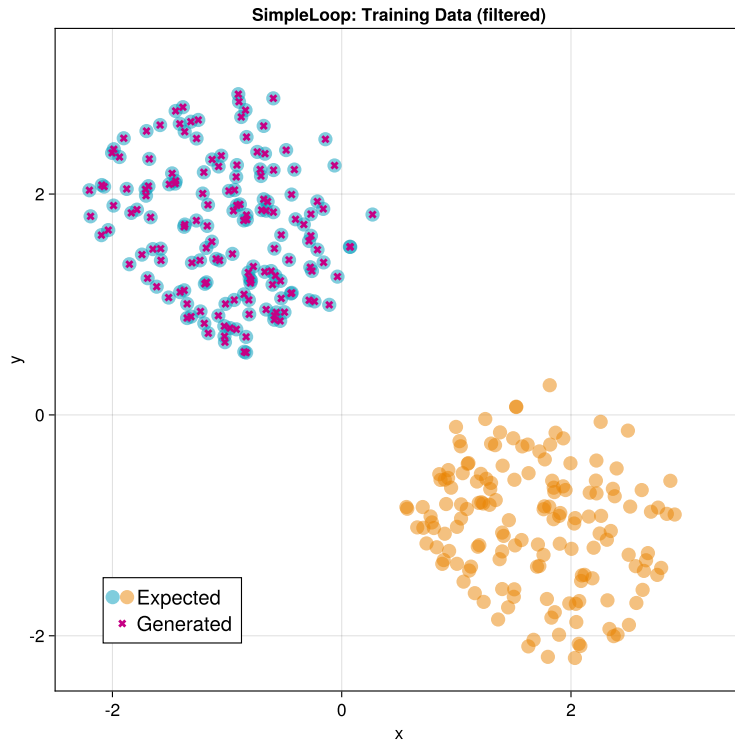
ML Surrogate:

$$y = f_S(r, s, b)$$
$$x = rs + b - y$$

Inputs:  $r, s, b$   
Outputs:  $y$   
Evaluate Inner Equations:  $x$

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# Requirements on the Surrogate

## Classic Newton–Raphson method

- Quadratic convergence
  - Each step doubles number of correct decimals
  - Start values extrapolated from previous solution
- Complexity:  $\mathcal{O}(N^3)$

## Surrogate $f_S$ needs to be:

- Sufficiently faster than NLS solver
- Accurate
- Independent of solver step size
- Trained on relevant input space



# Method Overview



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# Automated Profiling

## 1. Simulate with Profiling

- `-d=infoXmlOperations` and `-clock=CPU -cpu`
- Profiling information and reference data

## 2. Process profiling JSON file

- Sort for total time
- Return equation systems over threshold

## 3. Process info JSON file

- Get dependent variables of equation

## 4. Process reference results

- Get min/max values of input variables



Equations						
Equations Browser						
Index	Type	Equation	Executio	Max time	Time	Fraction
▶ 1518	regular	non-linear (tor... variables: 110	122702	0.00195	3.15	27.3%
▶ 1000	regular	non-linear (tor...on variables: 1	144354	1.6e-05	0.166	1.44%
▶ 1046	regular	non-linear (tor...on variables: 1	144693	0.00101	0.144	1.25%
▶ 1023	regular	non-linear (tor...on variables: 1	144379	0.00104	0.141	1.22%
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# Automated Profiling

Model:

OpenIPSL.Examples.IEEE14.IEEE\_14\_Buses

OpenIPSL version 3.0.1

- Non-linear system 1403:
  - Unknowns: 204
    - Iteration variables: 110
    - Inner equations: 94
  - Knowns: 16 (time and states)

Index	Time [s]	Fraction [%]
1403	1.31	13.70
1594	0.06	0.61
1686	0.05	0.57
1640	0.05	0.56
1617	0.05	0.56
1663	0.05	0.55



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# Generation of Training Data

## 1. Generate 2.0 ME C Source-Code FMU

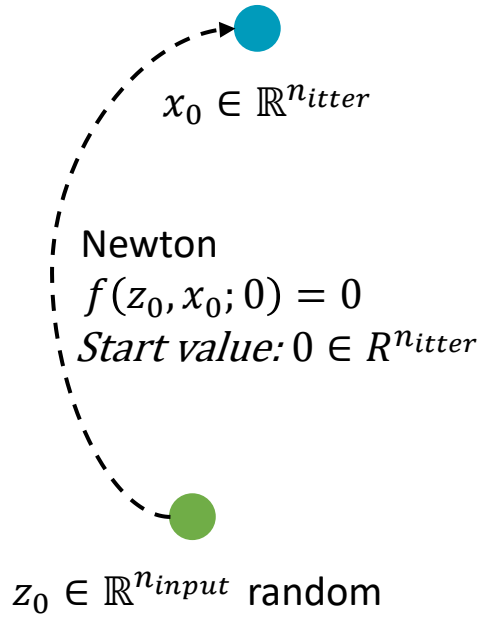
## 2. Add C extension

- Make it possible to evaluate single equations
- Re-compile FMU with changed sources

## 3. Generate training data

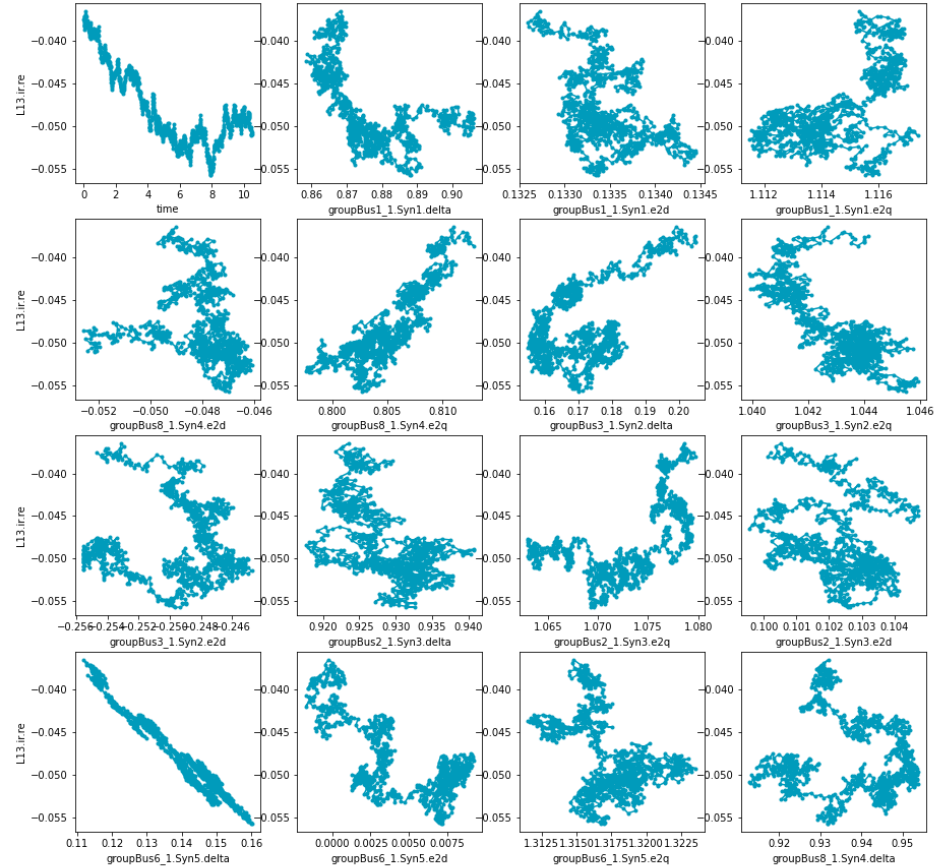
- Instantiate, setup experiment & initialize system
- Evaluate loop for used Variables (input) and initial values for iteration variables
- Save training data to CSV

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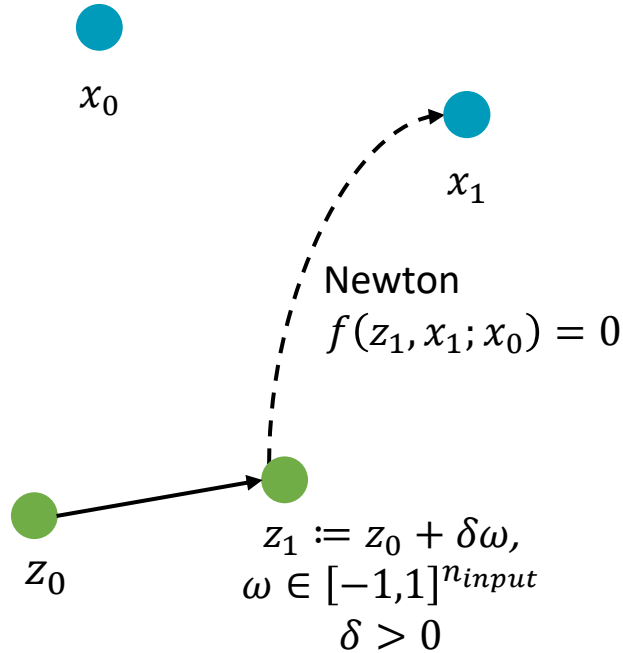


Save  $(z_0, x_0)$

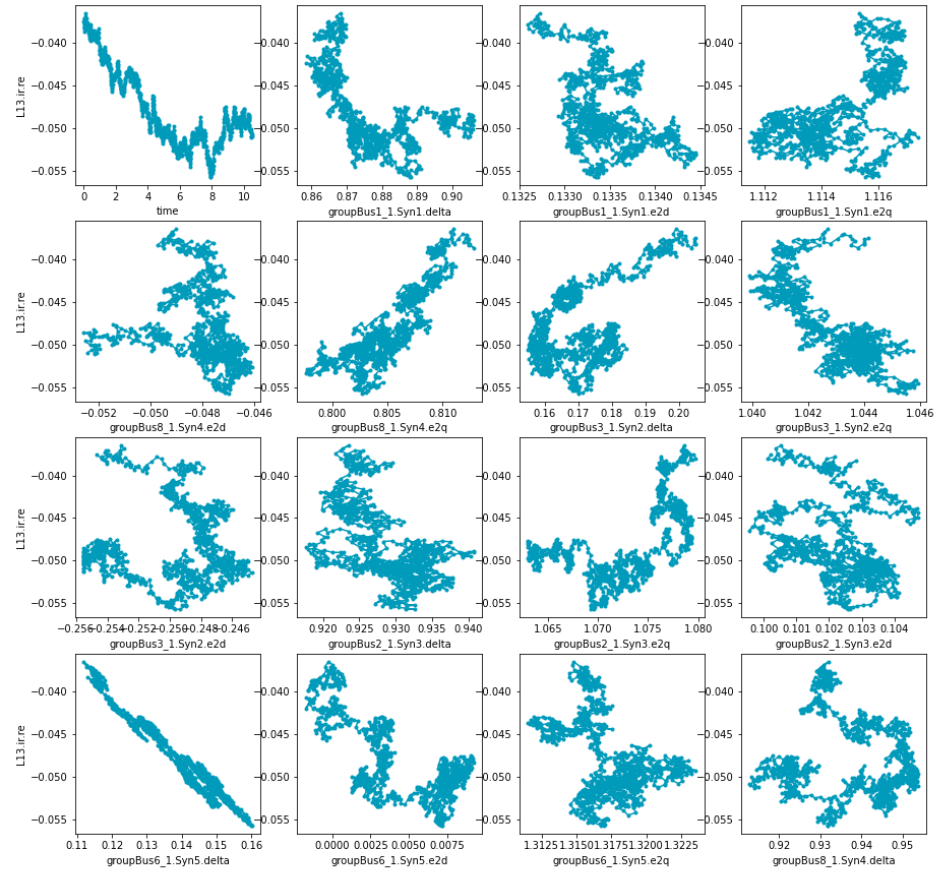
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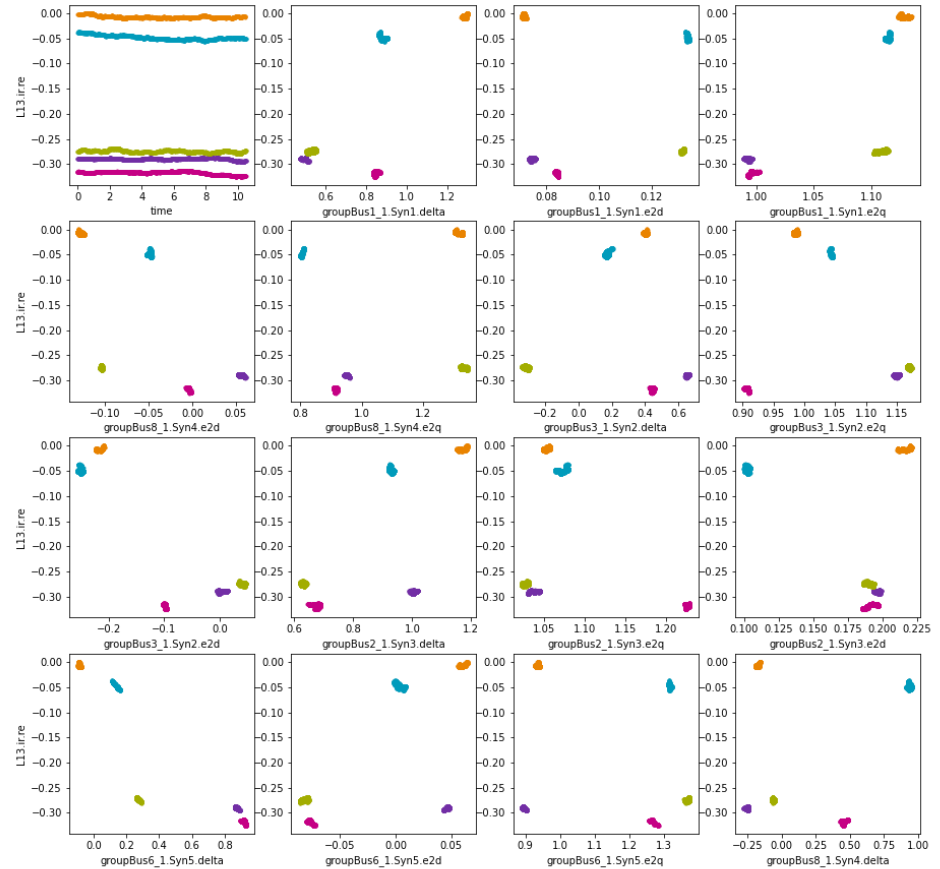


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- Only evaluating non-linear system equations.
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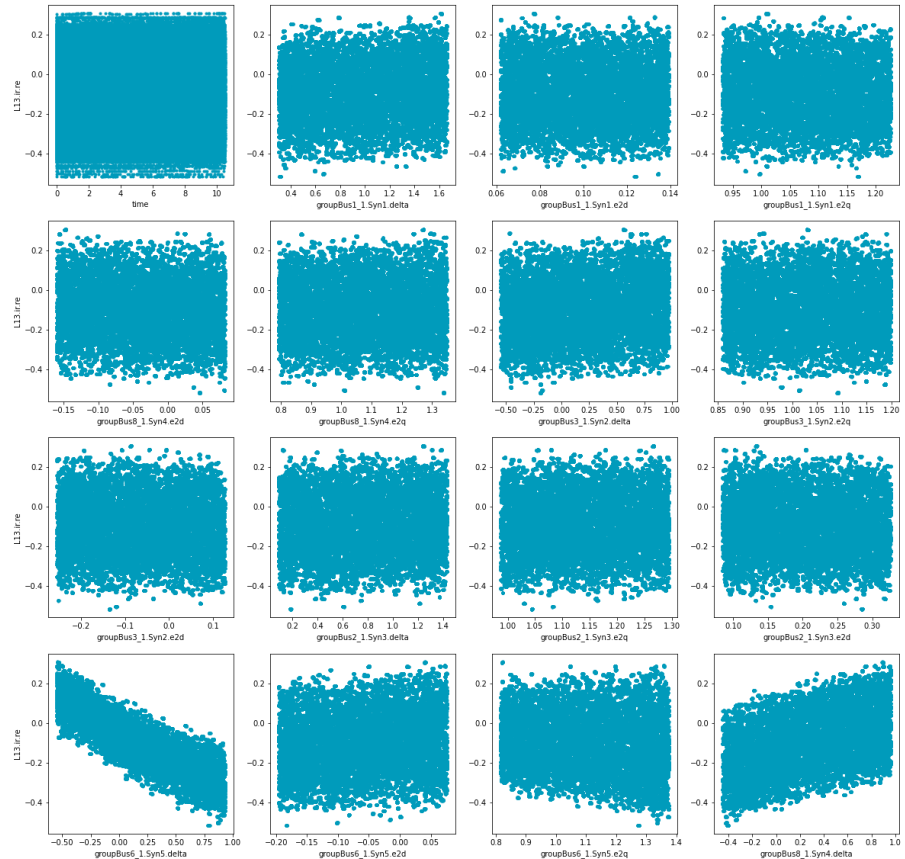


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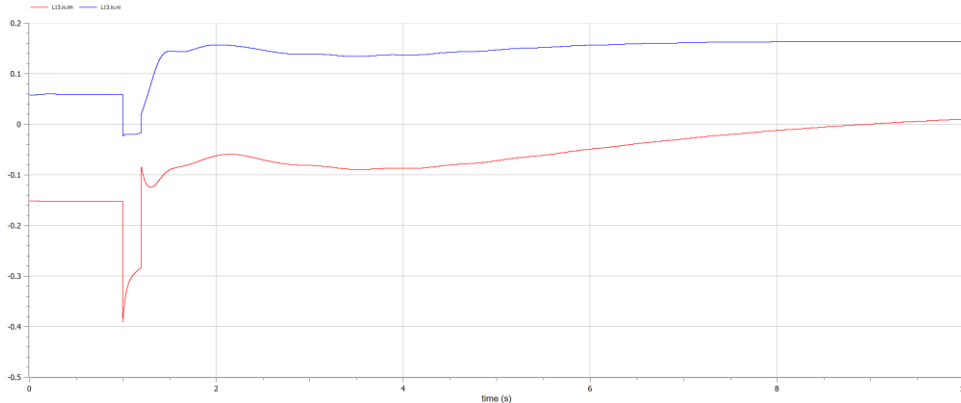
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- Possible to have complicated equations inside residuum equations
  - Events at 1s and 1.124s



```
model OpenIPSL.Electrical.Branches.PwLine
[...]
if time >= t1 and time < t2 then
  if opening == 1 then
    is = Complex(0);
    ir = Complex(0);
  elseif opening == 2 then
    is = Complex(0);
    ir = (vr - ir*Z)*Y;
  else
    ir = Complex(0);
    is = (vs - is*Z)*Y;
  end if;
else
  vs - vr = Z*(is - vs*Y);
  vr - vs = Z*(ir - vr*Y);
end if;
end OpenIPSL.Electrical.Branches.PwLine;
```

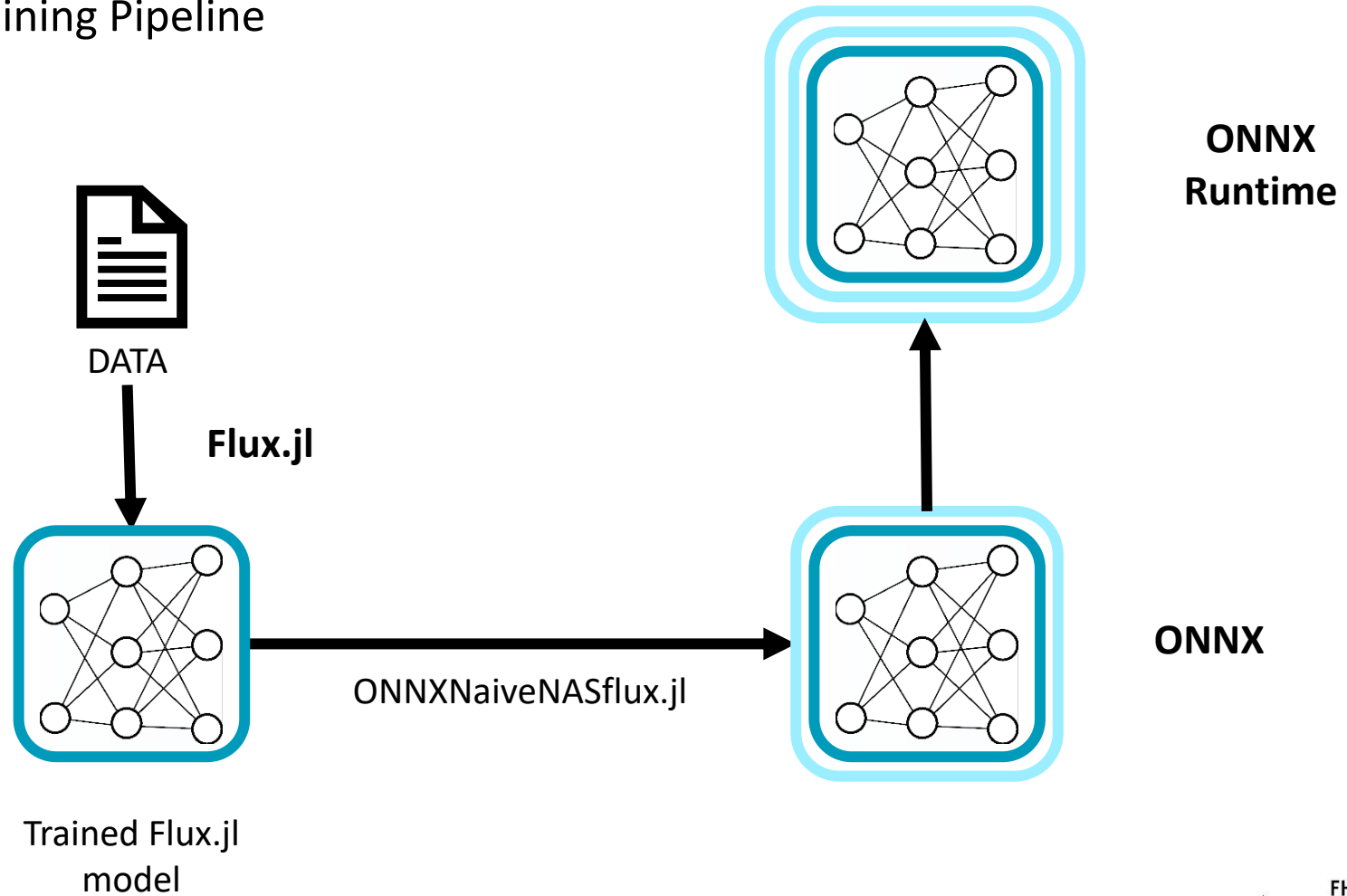
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# Training Pipeline



# Surrogate strategy

If  $z_{t_i} \in \text{TrainedArea} \subset \mathbb{R}^{n_{\text{input}}}$  then:

$$\tilde{x} := f_S(z_{t_i})$$

If  $|f_{NLS}(z_{t_i}, \tilde{x})| > \epsilon$  then:

Newton: Solve  $0 = f_{NLS}(z_{t_i}, x; \tilde{x})$  for  $x$

$$x_{t_i} := x$$

Else:

$$x_{t_i} := \tilde{x}$$

Else:

$$\tilde{x} := \text{extrapolate}(x_{t_{i-1}}, x_{t_{i-2}})$$

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ML Surrogate

Default NLS process

# Replace Strong Component

## Pros:

- Ensure correct solution up to given precision.
- Ensure performance outside of trained are (use default solver).
- Evaluation (mostly) independent of step-size / distance to previous solution.

## Cons:

- Too slow to justify training effort:
  - Additional overhead for loading ONNX.
  - Evaluating default solver anyway.
- Solution not smooth enough rendering ODE solver step-size control useless.

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# Ongoing Work

Problems and what's next



# Problems with Prototype Training and use-case

- Simple models
  - Precise, but too slow
- Large models
  - Training difficult, maybe fast
  - Speed-up potential not as high as expected
- Finding use-cases:
  - Large non-linear systems not best-practice
  - Large non-linear loops hard to train

Student project: Sensitivity analysis used vars  $\leftrightarrow$  iteration variables

# Problems with Prototype FMI Standard

- Using FMU's to evaluate only a part of the equations
  - Not always allowed to call fmi2SetXXX in FMU state
  - Variable time is special, can't use arbitrary values
    - Don't rely on FMI / Create simpler runtime for strong components

# Next Steps

- Improve net topology
- Improve training process
  - Linear interpolation as additional input to ANN
- Improve data generation
  - Less post-processing
- Publish results
  - Julia package `NonLinearSystemNeuralNetworkFMU.j`



# Proper Hybrid Models for Smarter Vehicles

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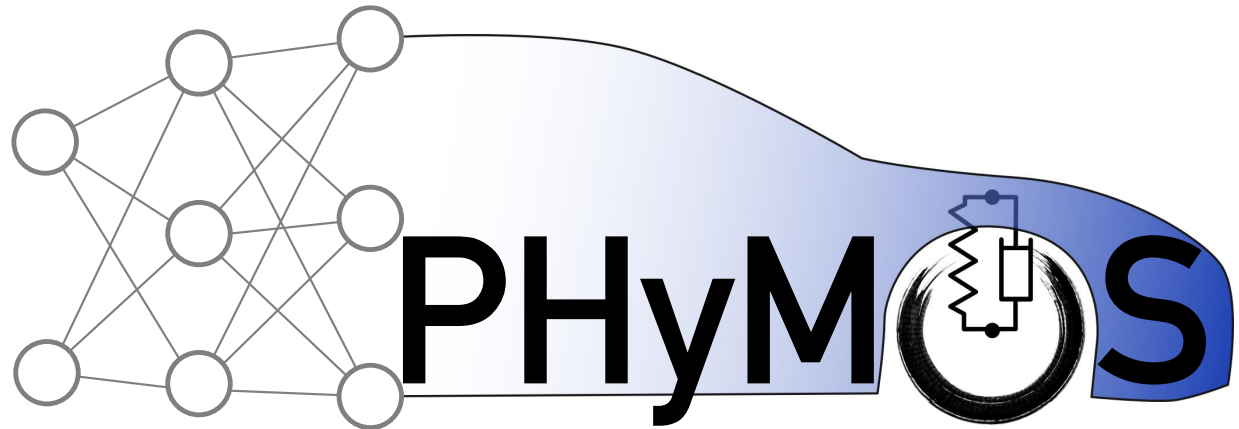
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