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This presentation is about

What?

Surrogate models for
CFD simulations of stirrer tanks

So What?

GNNs offer a natural approach
for regression on unstructured datasets

Now What?

Some insights on the future of these models



Pharma Background

Biopharmaceuticals

Biologics

- Large Molecules (~20,000)
- Complex production methods based on bioprocesses

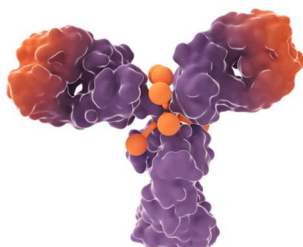


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Traditional Drugs

- Small Molecules (~100 atoms)
- Complex production methods

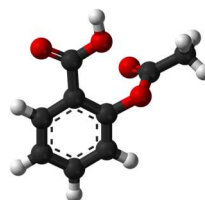


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Pharma Background

Biopharmaceuticals

Production of biopharmaceuticals is a **complex process**

- **Upstream processes** produce the drug substance using living organisms, such as bacteria, yeast, or mammalian cells.
- **Downstream processes** extract the drug substance and package as the final drug product

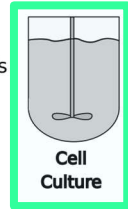
UPSTREAM

Frozen Vial

Shake Flask

Seed Culture

N-levels ...



Cell Culture

DOWNSTREAM

Cell Harvest
(Tangential-flow
Filtration,
Centrifugation)

Purification
(Precipitation,
Chromatography)

Formulation,
(Freeze-)Drying
Fill and Finish,
Packaging

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Pharma Background

Design of Experiments

Process development

- ensures best process outcomes
- by finding optimal process inputs

Input

Process Parameters



Monitoring

Inline / Online
Measurements

Output

Product Concentration
Quality Attributes

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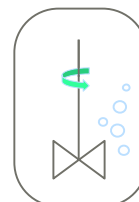


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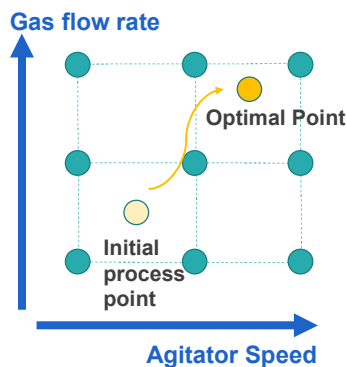


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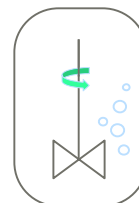
Experiments

- Wet-lab
- Dry-lab



Input

- Gas flow rate
- Agitator speed
- Water level



Monitoring

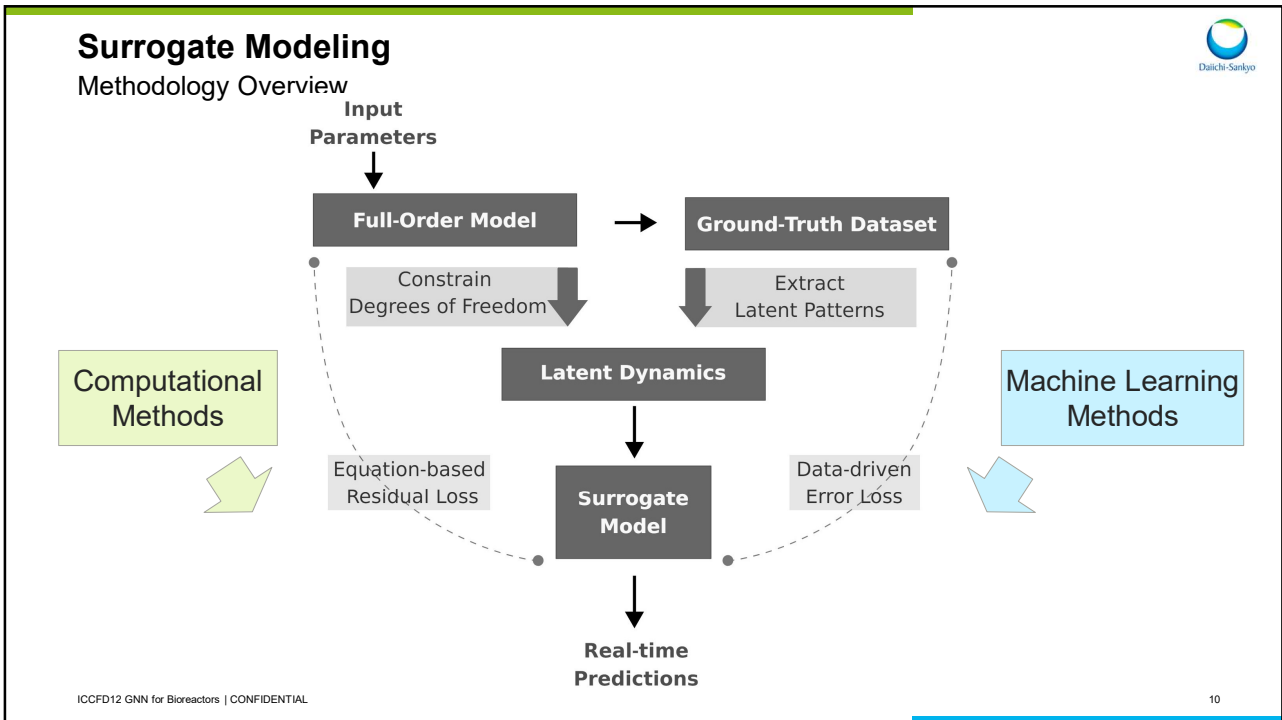
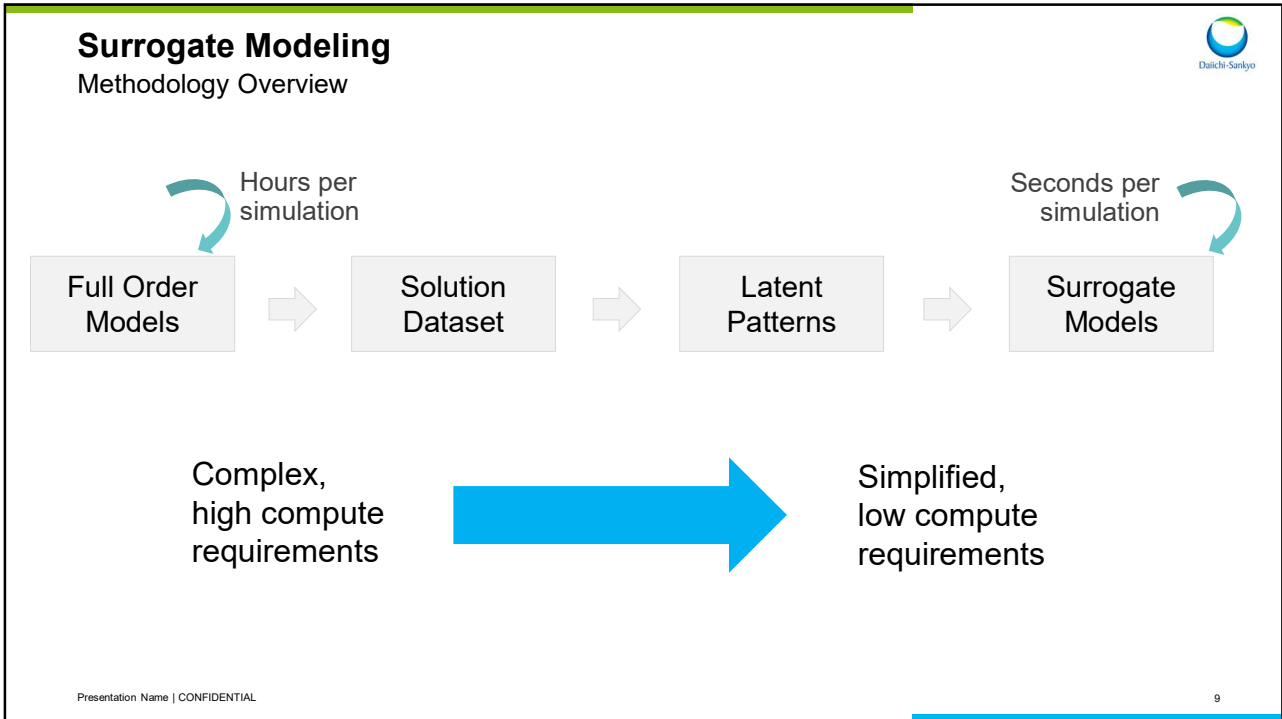
- O₂, CO₂, pH
- Cell density
- Hydrodynamic stress

Output

- Product titer
- Concentration of various substances

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CFD Model

Governing Equations

- Steady-state NS
- k-ε turbulence model
- Multiple reference frame (MRF) for rotational boundary conditions

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

$$\rho(\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{u} = -\nabla p + \mu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u}$$



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CFD Model

Dataset Preparation

The CFD simulation dataset of **121 simulations:**

- 11 impeller speed: 100-200 rpm
- 11 impeller height: 2-3 cm

Test data (9%):

- 150rpm is used as the test data for all impeller heights, **11 test points**

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

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Graph Neural Networks

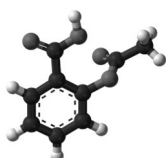
Graph Datasets



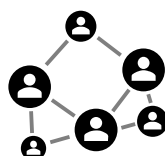
Graph structure is common to many datasets:



Maps



Molecules



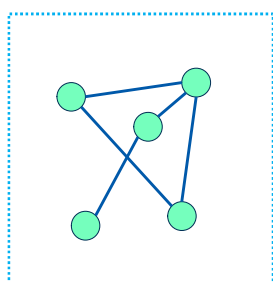
Social Networks



Brain Connectome

Graph Neural Networks

Graphs



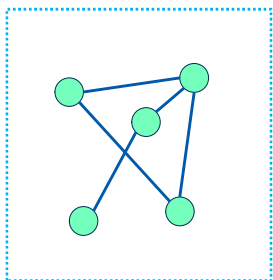
Nodes (Vertices)

Edges (Links)

Graph

Graph Neural Networks

Graphs



Node Features []

Edge Features []

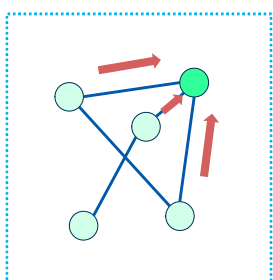
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Graph Neural Networks

Feature Learning



Message Passing



Node Features []

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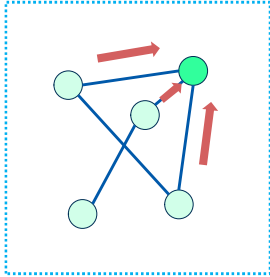
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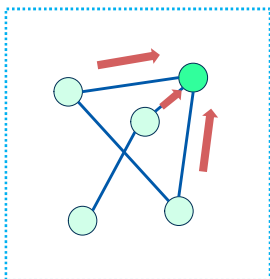
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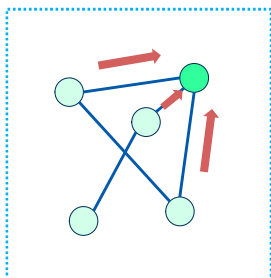
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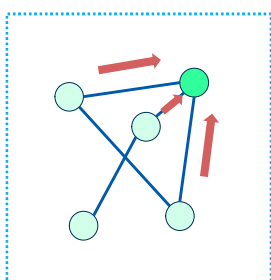
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Graph Neural Networks

Learning Tasks



Message Passing



Node Features → Node regression
→ Node classification

Edge Features → Edge Prediction

Global Features → Graph classification

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Graph Neural Networks

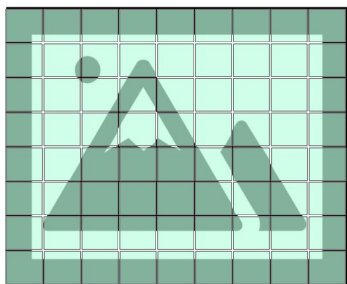
Convolution



- Image pixels

Graph Neural Networks

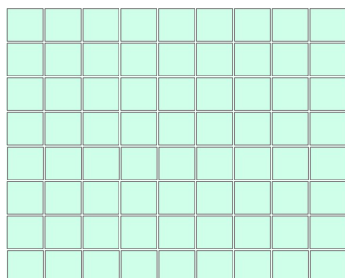
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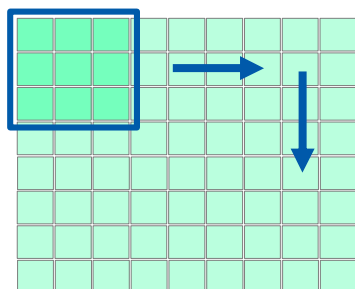
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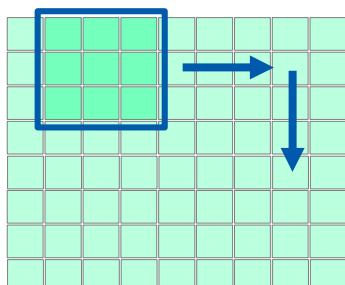
Convolution



- Image pixels
- Convolutional filters

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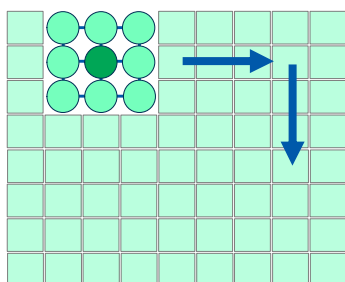
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Graph Neural Networks

Convolution



- Image pixels
- Convolutional filters
- Can be extended to graphs

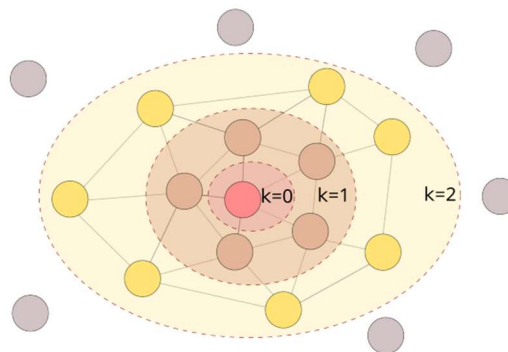
Graph Neural Networks

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Graph Convolutional Networks (GCN)

- Each convolutional layer process message from k-neighbourhood



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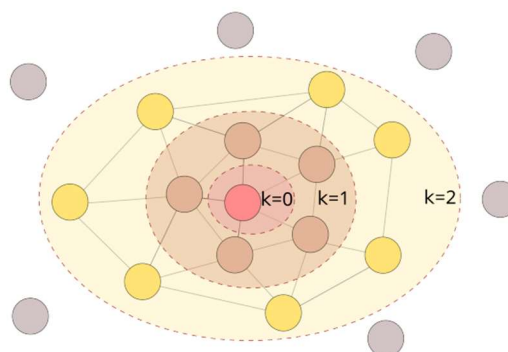
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Convolution



GNN layer

$$x^{(l+1)} = f(x^{(l)}, A)$$



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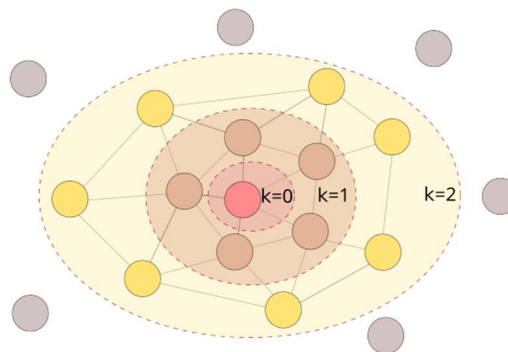
Graph Neural Networks

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GCN layer

$$x'_i = \sigma \left(\sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_i \cup \{i\}} \frac{e_{i,j}}{\sqrt{d_i d_j}} W^{(l)} x_j \right)$$



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Graph Neural Networks

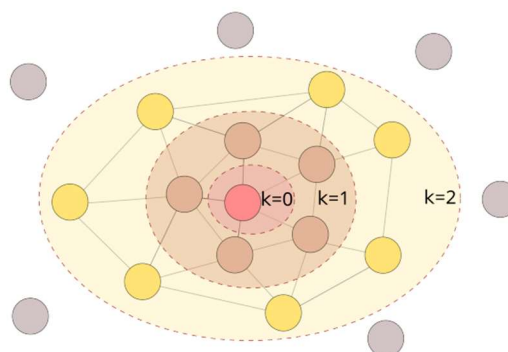
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Edges Nodes



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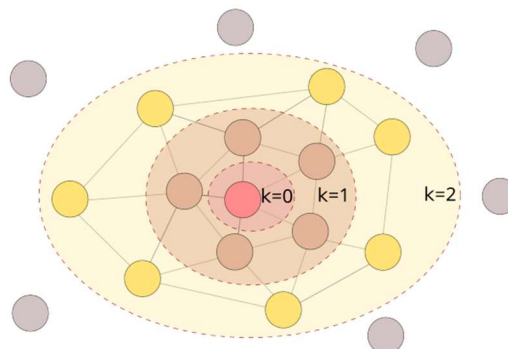
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Edges
Learnable Weights
Nodes



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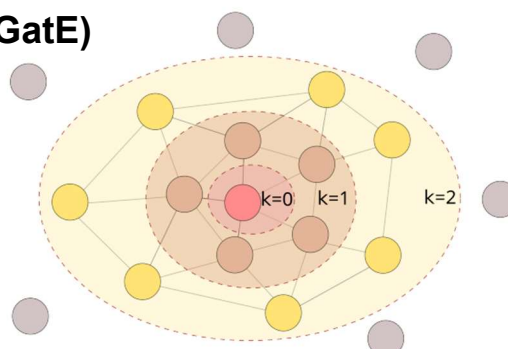
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GraphSAGE (SAMple and aggreGatE)

$$x'_i = W_1 x_i + W_2 \cdot \text{mean}_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)}(x_j)$$

& Neighborhood sampling



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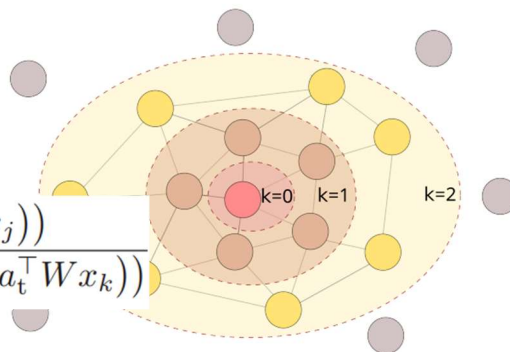
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Graph Attention Network (GAT)

$$x'_i = \alpha_{i,i} W x_i + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} \alpha_{i,j} W x_j$$

$$\alpha_{i,j} = \frac{\exp(\sigma(a_s^\top W x_i + a_t^\top W x_j))}{\sum_{k \in \mathcal{N}(i) \cup \{i\}} \exp(\sigma(a_s^\top W x_i + a_t^\top W x_k))}$$



- allow weights to depend on the inputs

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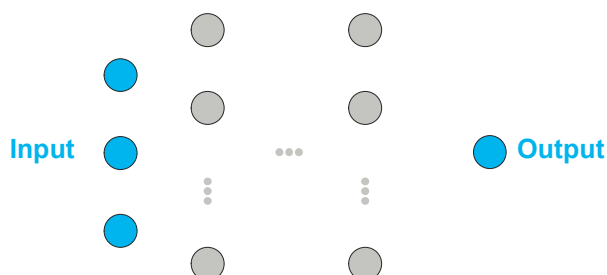
Graph Neural Networks

Convolution



Multilayer perceptron (MLP)

- Node-to-node regression
- Works as a baseline, as well as final layer in our approach



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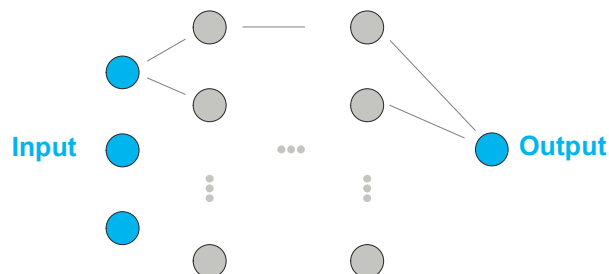
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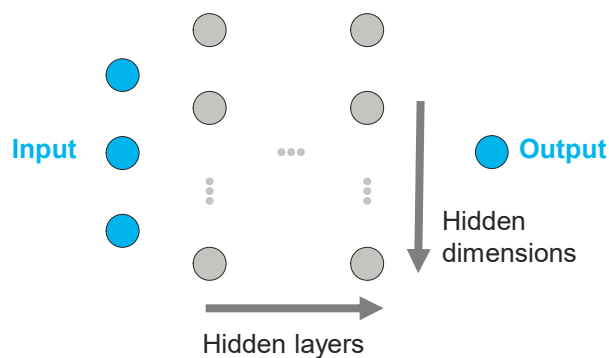
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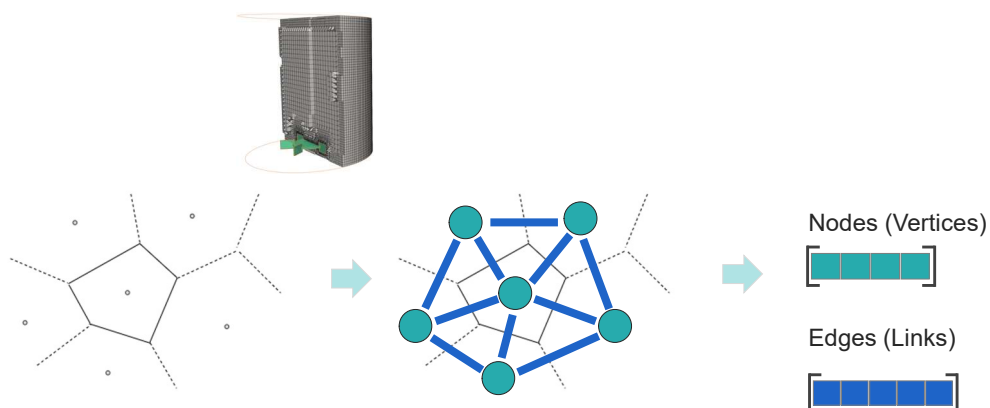
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CFD Dataset as a Graph



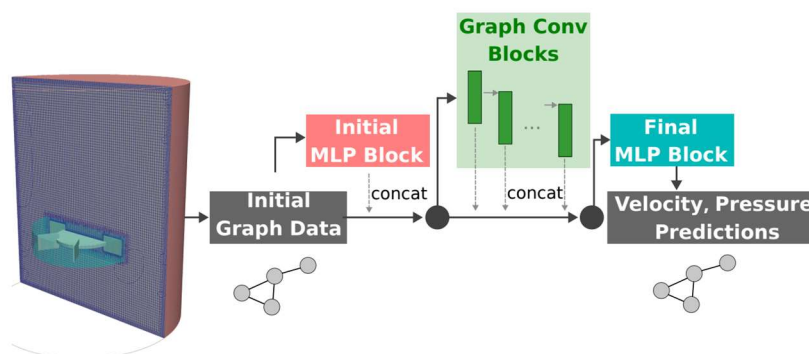
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GNN Model Architecture



- Outputs of GCN layer blocks are **concatenated**
- Each output acts as a **new feature**
- A final MLP layer used for **regression**



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GNN Model Architecture

Hypertuning and size



- Long training iterations ~1day → **limited grid search**

MLP layer: 2 hidden layers with 32 hidden dimension

1.4K parameters
0.15 hours for 300 epochs

GraphSAGE: 20 GCN blocks with 1 layer, 512 hidden dims. Final MLP, 2 hidden layers with 256 hidden dims.

4.8M parameters, 20 hours
for 700 epochs,
46GB memory consumption

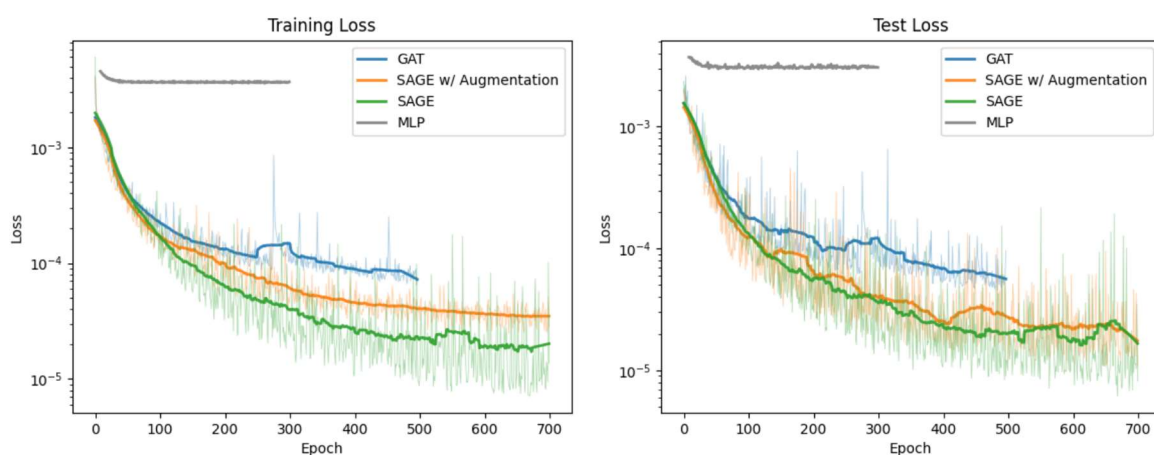
GAT: 6 GCN blocks with 1 layer, 32 hidden dims, 8 attention heads. Final MLP, 2 hidden layers with 64 hidden dims.

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for 500 epochs,
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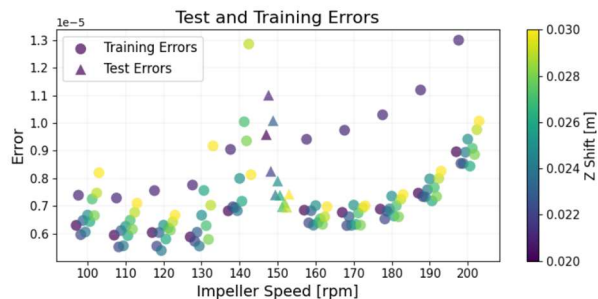
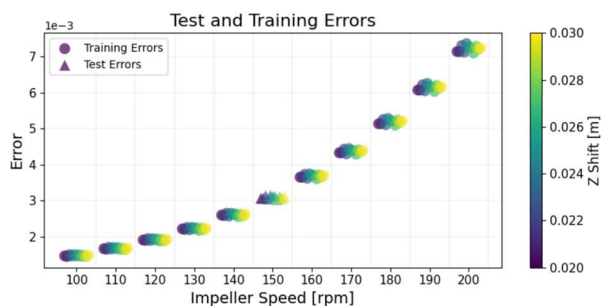
Results: Training and Test Loss Curves



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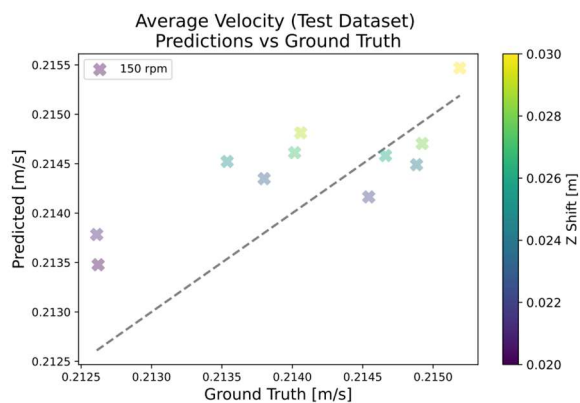
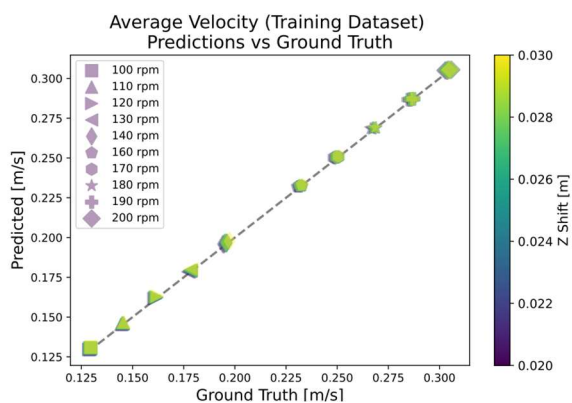
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Results: Prediction Accuracy



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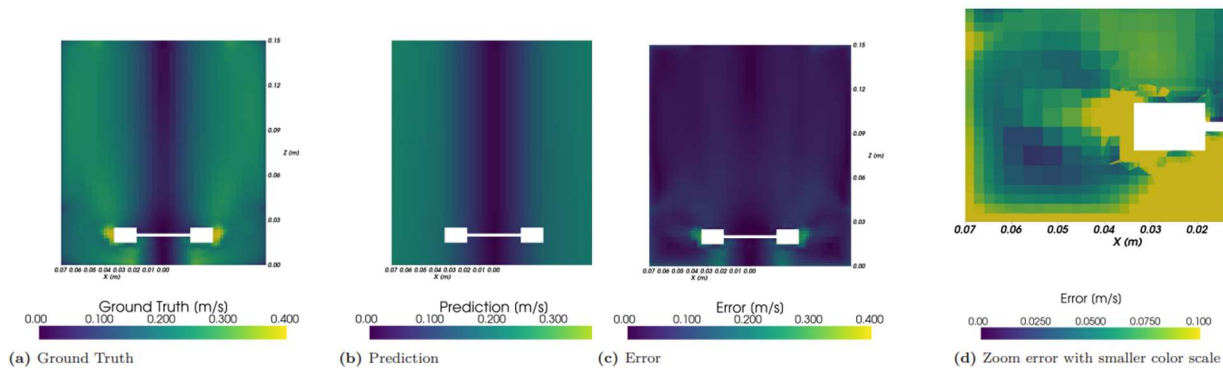
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Visual Comparison of Velocity Fields

Test Velocity Predictions



MLP-only



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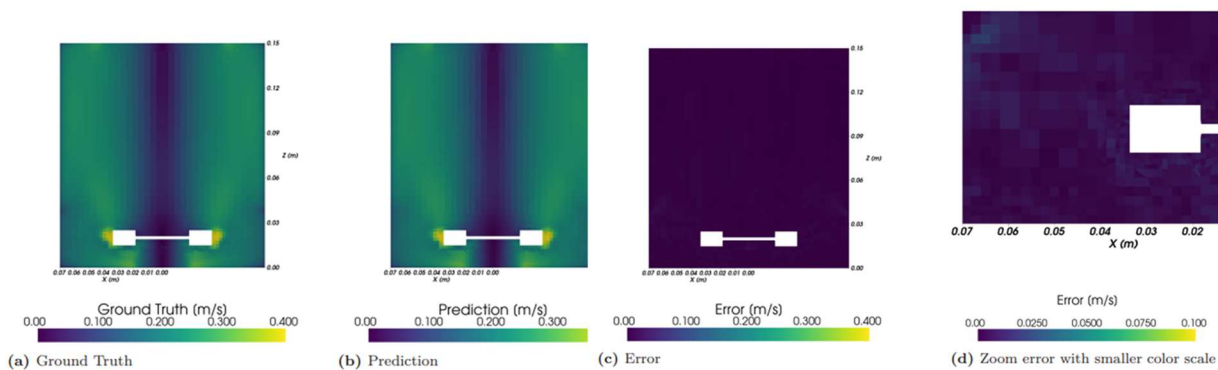
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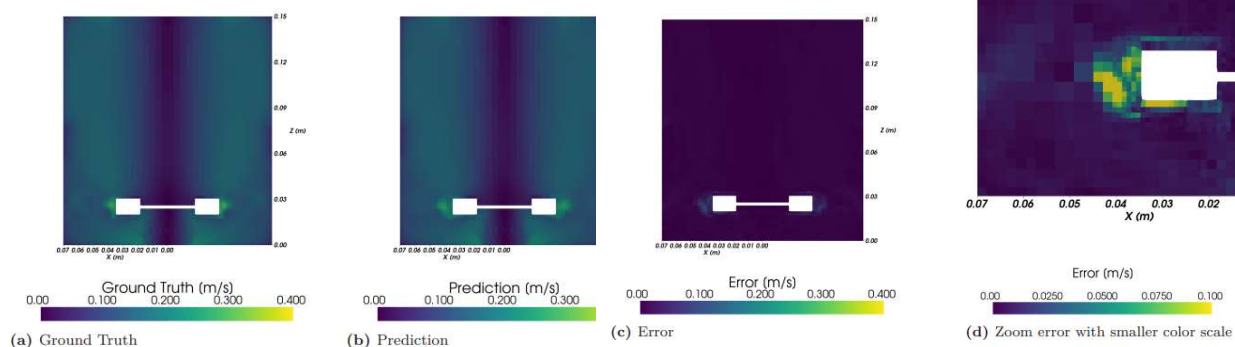
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Visual Comparison of Velocity Fields

Extrapolated Test Cases



Large-impeller (10%)



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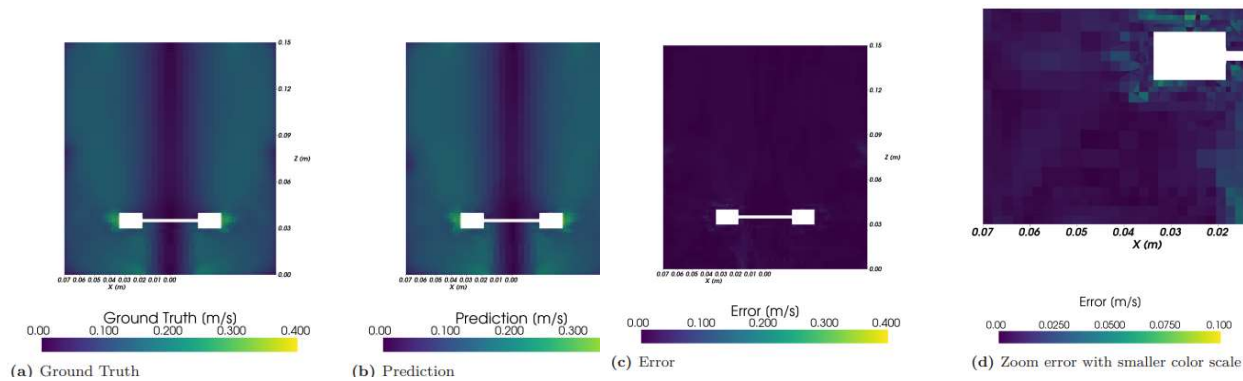
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Visual Comparison of Velocity Fields

Extrapolated Test Cases



Z-shift extrapolation 3.5cm



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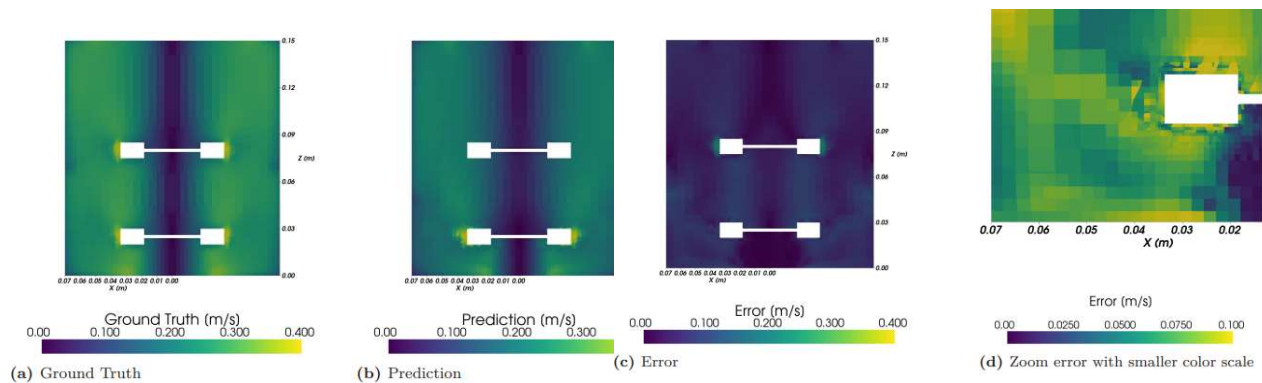
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Visual Comparison of Velocity Fields

Extrapolated Test Cases



Double Impeller



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Conclusions and Outlook



GNNs

- are capable of **regression** tasks on physical-fields
- can work with **variable geometry**
 - **Interpolation** showed good results
 - **Extrapolation** is challenging, especially when the physical patterns change considerably
- further combination with physics-informed neural networks holds a great promise ensuring **physical accuracy**

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Q&A



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