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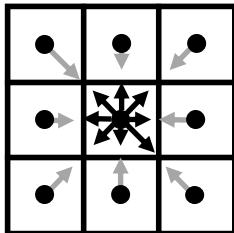
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# Collisional operator for the Lattice Boltzmann Method

$$f_i(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}_i \Delta t, t + \Delta t) - f_i(\mathbf{x}, t) = \Omega(f_i)$$

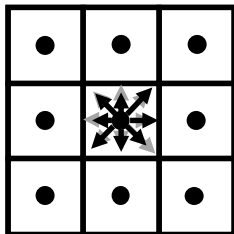


- ▶ Lattice Boltzmann Method: Computational fluid dynamics method for solving complex fluid flows.
- ▶ Second order approximation of the **Navier-Stokes** equations.
- ▶ A set of virtual particles called **populations** arranged at the edges of a discrete regular mesh.
- ▶ Particles only have a finite number of velocity directions:

$$\mathbf{v} \rightarrow \{\mathbf{c}_i, i = 1, \dots, q\}$$

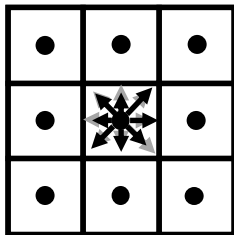
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## Can we learn the BGK model from data?

Learning problem:

- ▶ Map 9 pre-collisional into 9 post-collisional distribution
- ▶ What accuracy can we get?
- ▶ Can we preserve physical properties? (symmetries, conservation laws)

# Learning the BGK collisional operator from data

1. Define training set [ $f^{\text{pre}}$ ,  $f^{\text{post}}$ ]
2. Define structure and hyper-parameters of the neural network
3. Train the network by minimizing a chosen error metric
4. Evaluate the accuracy

# 1. Define the training set

We consider  $N$  pairs  $[\mathbf{f}^{\text{pre}}, \mathbf{f}^{\text{post}}]$ , where

$$f_i^{\text{post}} = f_i^{\text{pre}} + \frac{1}{\tau} (f_i^{\text{eq}}(\rho, \mathbf{u}) - f_i^{\text{pre}})$$

and the pre-collisional distributions are obtained as follows:

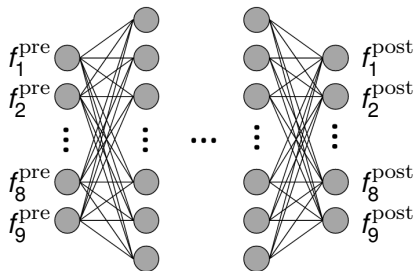
- ▶ Define a set  $\{(\rho, u_x, u_y)_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, N\}$ ,  
with  $\rho, u_x, u_y$  randomly sampled (e.g. from a uniform distribution)
- ▶ Randomly sample  $\{\mathbf{f}_j^{\text{neq}}, j = 1, 2, \dots, N\}$  such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^9 (f_i^{\text{post}} - f_i^{\text{pre}}) = 0$$

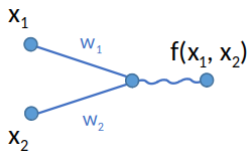
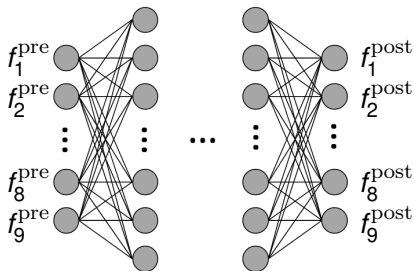
$$\sum_{i=1}^9 (f_i^{\text{post}} - f_i^{\text{pre}}) \xi_i = \mathbf{0}.$$

- ▶  $\mathbf{f}^{\text{pre}} = \mathbf{f}^{\text{eq}}(\rho, \mathbf{u}) + \mathbf{f}^{\text{neq}}$

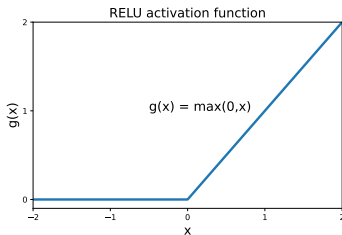
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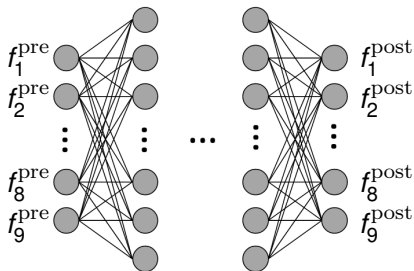


$$f(x_1, x_2) = g(w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2)$$





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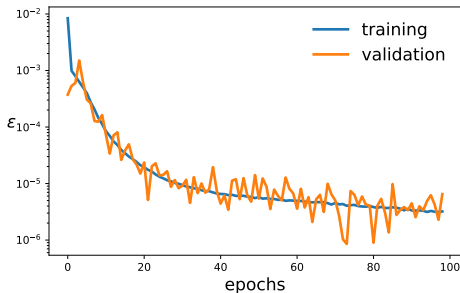


- ▶ 2 Hidden Dense layers, 50 neurons each
- ▶ RELU activation function
- ▶ Last layer linear activation

### 3. Training the neural network

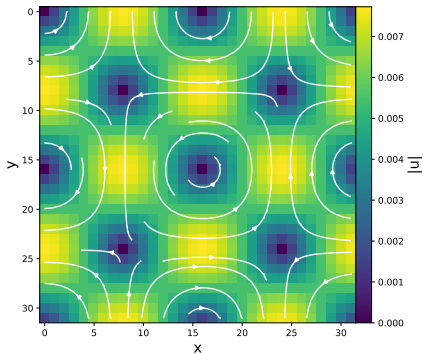
- ▶ ADAM optimizer
- ▶ 100 training epochs
- ▶ Batch size: 32
- ▶ Error Metric:

$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{s=1}^N \sum_{i=1}^9 \left( \frac{\Omega_{\text{NN}}(f_{i,s}^{\text{pre}}) - \Omega_{\text{BGK}}(f_{i,s}^{\text{pre}})}{\Omega_{\text{BGK}}(f_{i,s}^{\text{pre}})} \right)^2$$

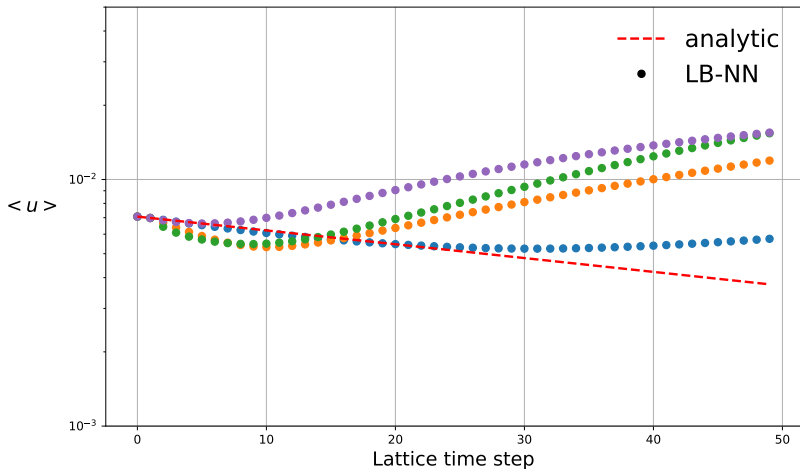


## 4. Accuracy Evaluation

- ▶ We perform a simulation where we replace the BGK operator with the Neural Network
- ▶ Simulation of a decaying Taylor-Green vortex flow
- ▶ Grid size: 32x32
- ▶  $\tau = 1$

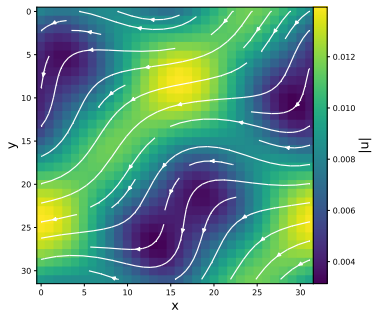


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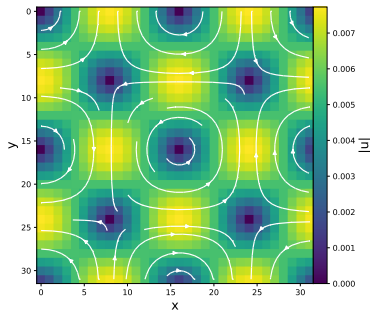


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Neural Network



BGK



Snapshot of the velocity field after 10 iterations

# Physics-Informed Machine Learning

How can we improve the results? In what follows we provide recipes to embed the following physical properties in the Neural Network:

- ▶ Scale invariance
- ▶ Positivity
- ▶ Symmetries
- ▶ Conservation laws

# Scale Invariance and Positivity

- ▶ We train the network over populations scaled by their density:

$$\phi^{\text{post}} = \Omega_{\text{NN}}(\phi^{\text{pre}}).$$

with  $\phi^{\text{pre}} \equiv \mathbf{f}^{\text{pre}} / \rho$  and  $\phi^{\text{post}} \equiv \mathbf{f}^{\text{post}} / \rho$ .

- ▶ We can then define a scale invariant collision operator as

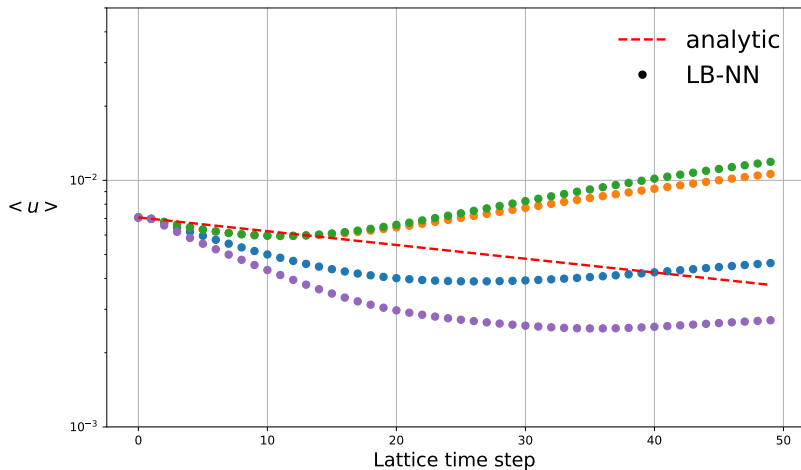
$$\mathbf{f}^{\text{post}} = \Omega(\mathbf{f}^{\text{pre}}) \equiv \rho \Omega^{\text{NN}}(\mathbf{f}^{\text{pre}} / \rho).$$

- ▶ To ensure positivity, we make use of the softmax output activation function:

$$\phi_i^{\text{post}} = \text{softmax}(\hat{\phi}_i^{\text{post}}) \equiv \frac{e^{\hat{\phi}_i^{\text{post}}}}{\sum_i e^{\hat{\phi}_i^{\text{post}}}}.$$

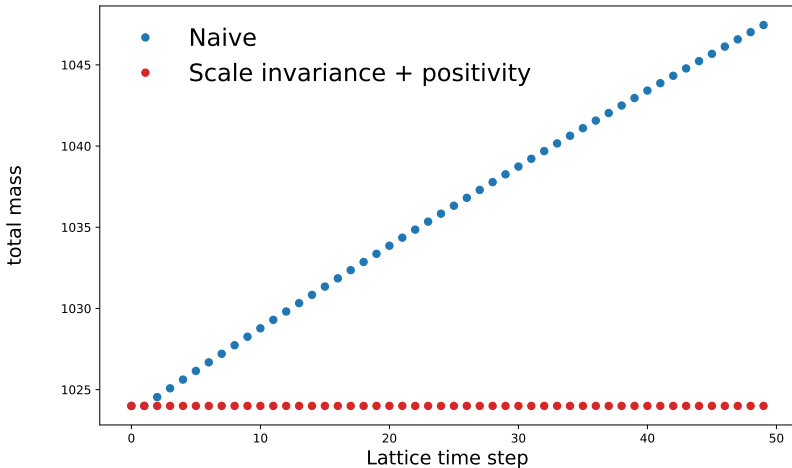
Note:  $\sum_i \phi_i^{\text{post}} = 1$ .

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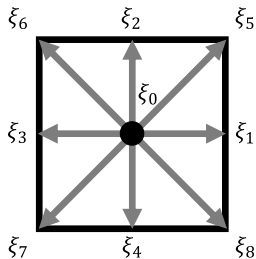


# Symmetries

The symmetry group of the D2Q9 stencil is given by the 4th order dihedral symmetry group  $D_8$ :

$$D_8 = \{I, R, R^2, R^3, M, RM, R^2M, R^3M\}.$$

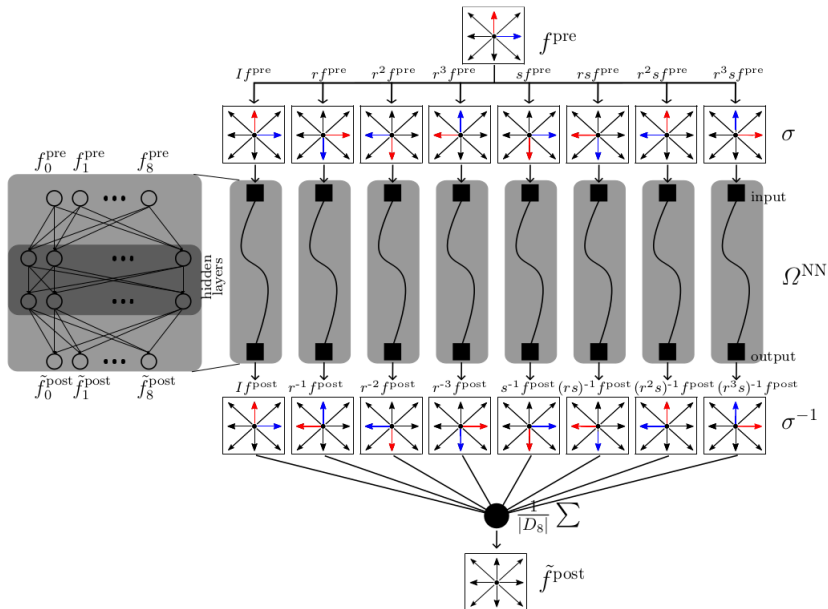
- ▶  $I$  is the identity
- ▶  $R$  is a 90 degrees rotation matrix
- ▶  $M$  is a reflection matrix (e.g. along the  $x$ -axis)



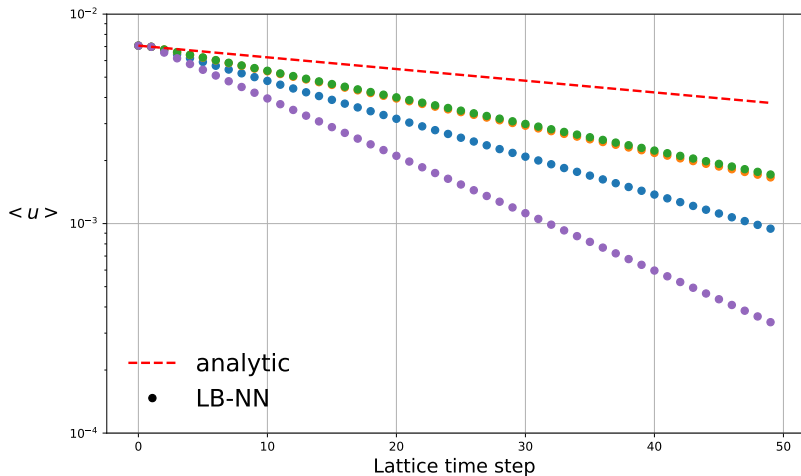
It is possible to define a collision operator  $\Omega$  that preserves the symmetries of  $D_8$  as

$$\mathbf{f}^{\text{post}} = \mathcal{G}\Omega_{\text{NN}}(\mathbf{f}^{\text{pre}}) = \frac{1}{|D_8|} \sum_{\forall \sigma \in D_8} \sigma^{-1} \Omega_{\text{NN}}(\sigma \mathbf{f}^{\text{pre}}),$$

# Symmetries: Architecture

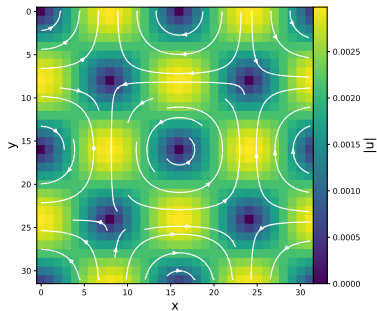


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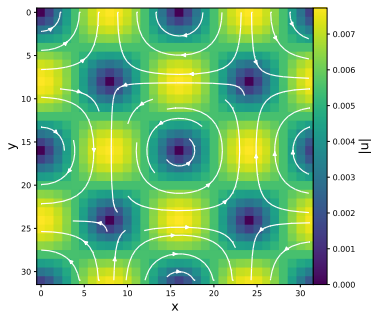


# Symmetries: Results

Neural Network



BGK



Snapshot of the velocity field after 50 iterations

# Conservation Laws

It is possible to define a collision operator  $\Omega$  that preserves the conservation of mass and momentum:

$$\mathbf{f}^{\text{post}} = \Omega(\mathbf{f}^{\text{pre}}) \equiv \mathcal{A}\Omega_{\text{NN}}(\mathbf{f}^{\text{pre}})$$

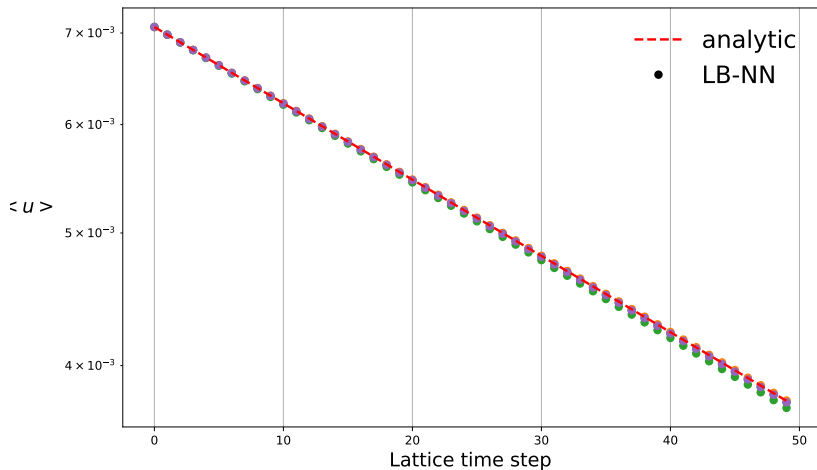
s.t.

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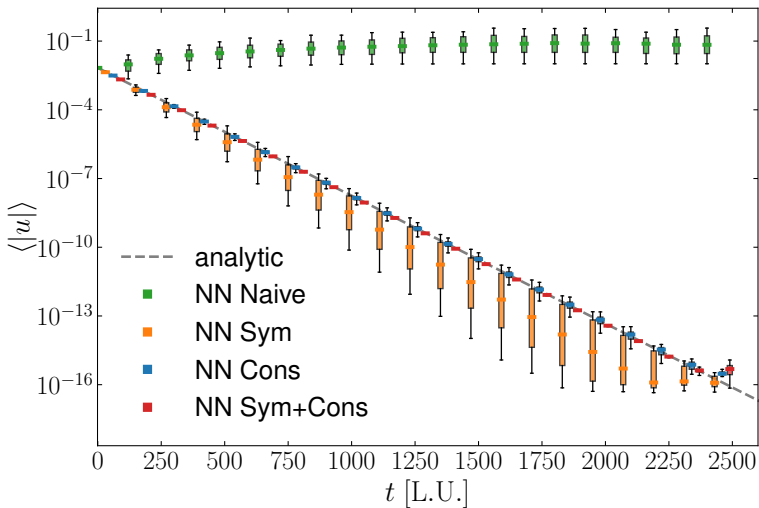
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One possible approach: algebraic reconstruction of 3 populations in order to enforce conservation laws.

# Conservation Laws: Results



# Summary





# Outlook

- ▶ Design of a Neural Network capable of learning the BGK collisional operator from data
- ▶ Naive approach does not allow to follow the dynamics if not for just few iterations
- ▶ Embedding physics in the Neural Network, in particular symmetries and conservation laws, crucial in order to achieve results comparable to that of LBGK.
- ▶ For the future we plan to attempt learning new collisional operators / corrections to the BGK in order to extend the applicability of LB.

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# Soft Constraints

$$\mathcal{L} = \text{MSRE} + \alpha \frac{\|\tilde{\mathbf{u}} - \mathbf{u}\|}{\|\mathbf{1} + \mathbf{u}\|}$$

