

Applying Graph Networks-based Simulators to predict the dynamics of glassy systems

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Supercooled liquids

Slowed-down dynamics upon cooling down
without any apparent **structural change**

Studied usually using as a binary system with a
Kob-Andersen pair-potential

$$V_{ij} = V_{\alpha\beta} = 4\epsilon_{\alpha\beta} \left[\left(\frac{\sigma_{\alpha\beta}}{r_{ij}} \right)^6 - \left(\frac{\sigma_{\alpha\beta}}{r_{ij}} \right)^{12} \right]$$

$$\epsilon_{AA} = 1.0$$

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$$\epsilon_{AB} = 1.5$$

$$\sigma_{AB} = 0.8$$

$$\epsilon_{BB} = 0.5$$

$$\sigma_{BB} = 0.88$$

Machine Learning can help underpinning the structural markers of the glass transition

Physics-based approaches

(with Support Vector Machines or CNN)

Handcrafted features depending on density and angular information

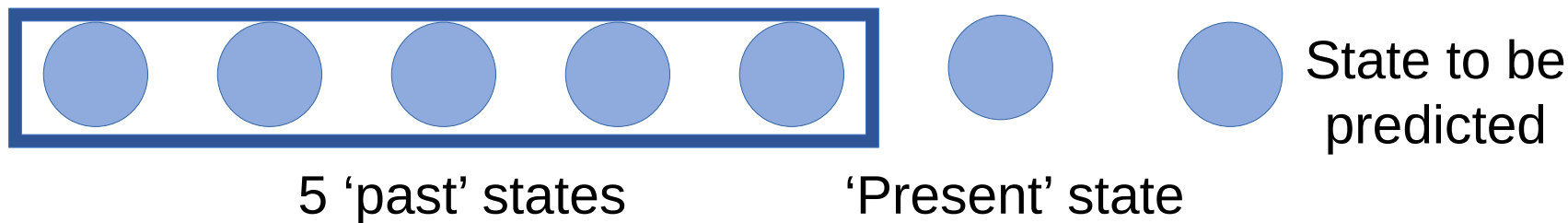
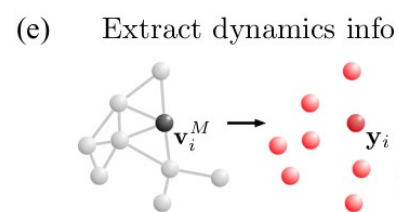
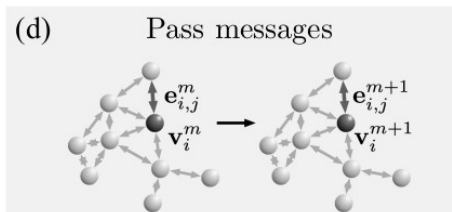
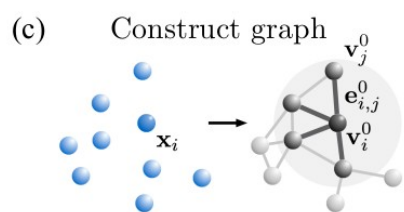
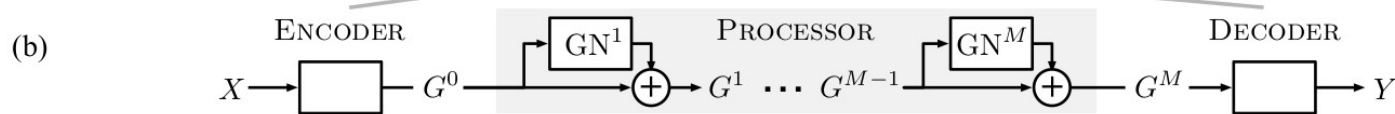
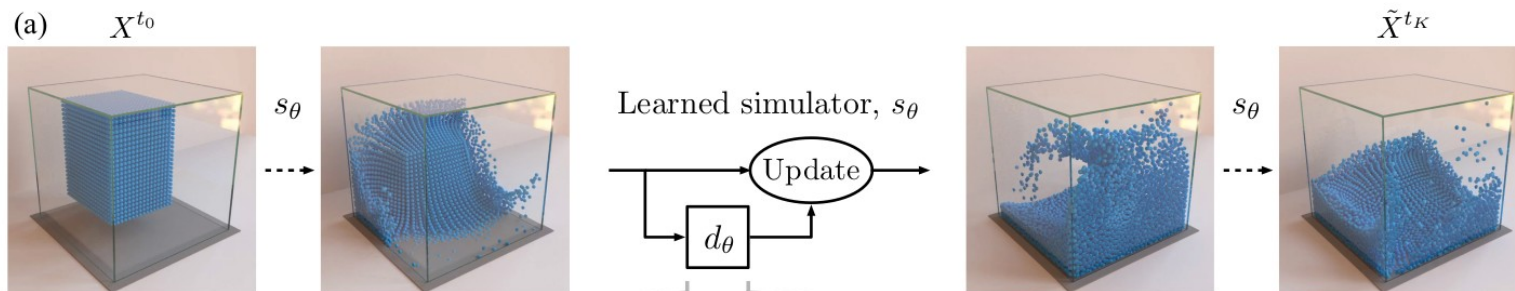
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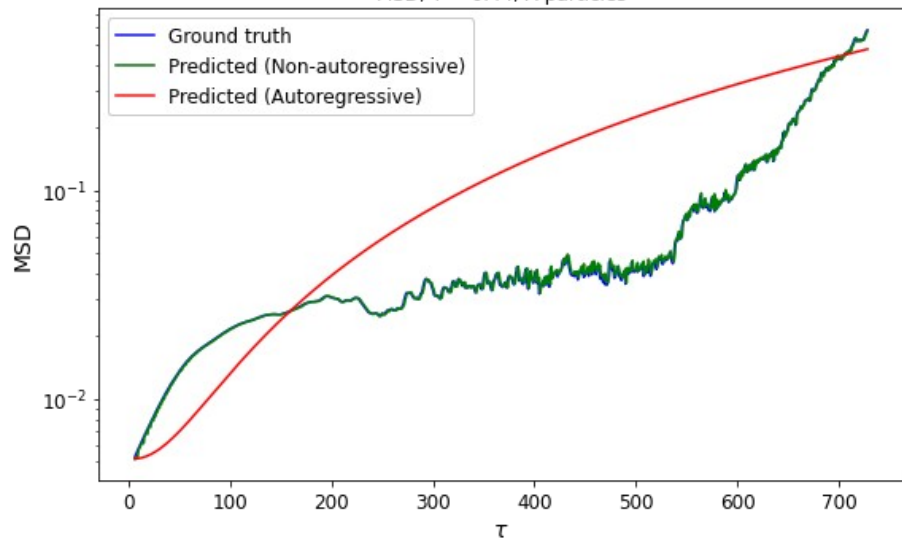
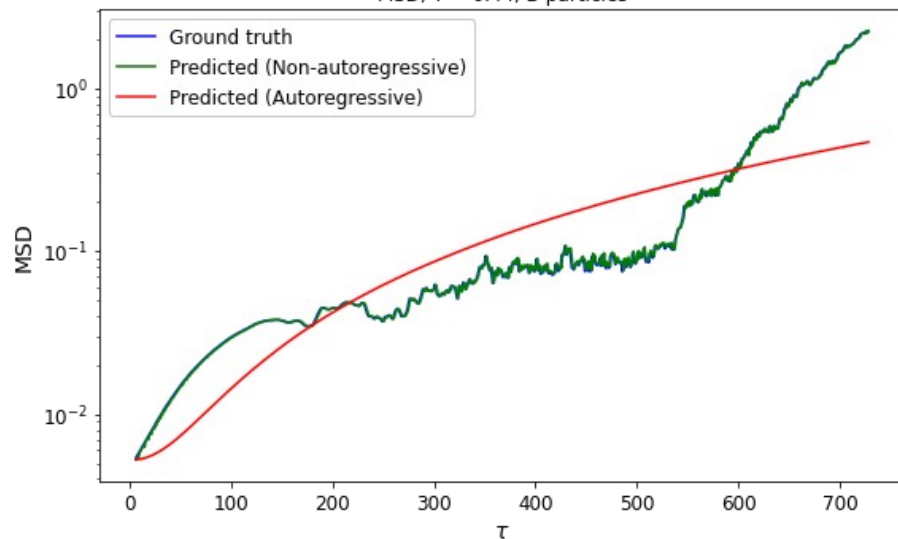
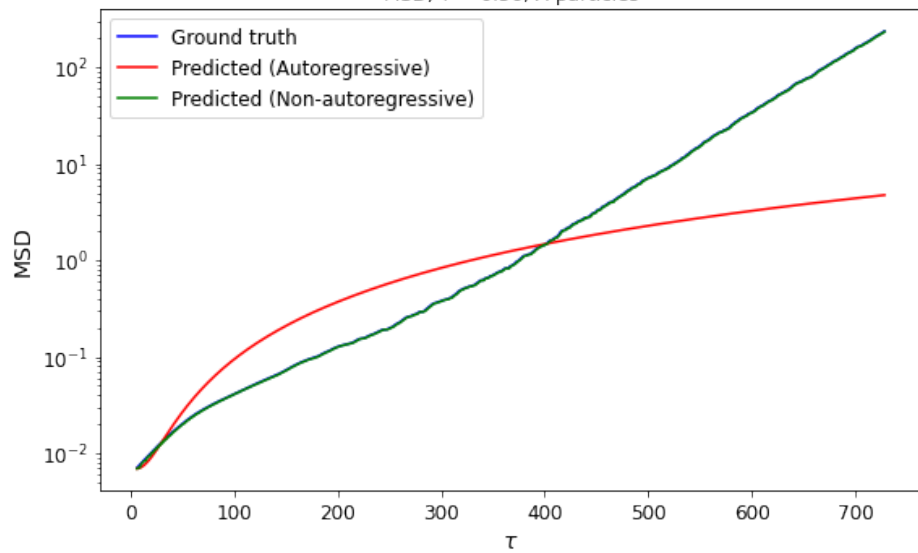
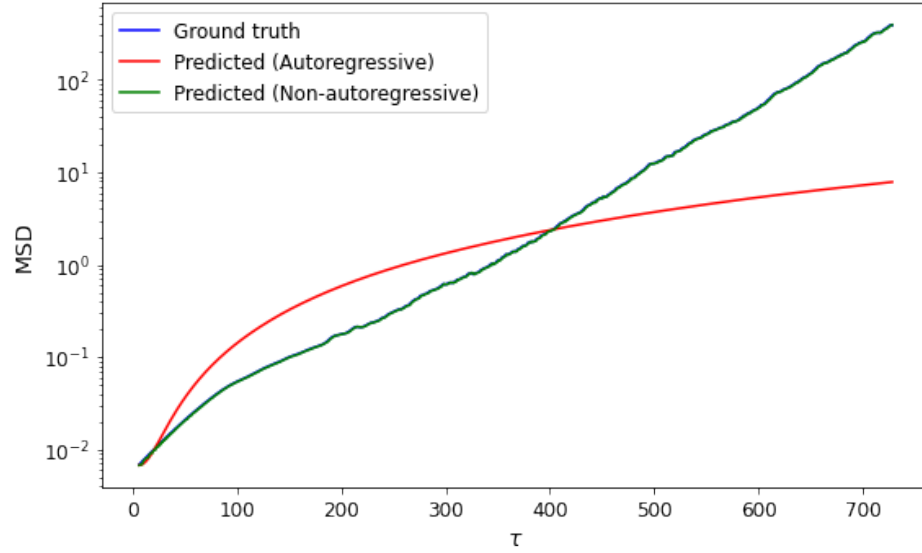
(Interaction Networks)

Takes particle positions as part of the input

Can encode Object and Relational reasoning

Graph Networks-based Simulators



MSD, $T = 0.44$, A particlesMSD, $T = 0.44$, B particlesMSD, $T = 0.56$, A particlesMSD, $T = 0.56$, B particles

Areas of improvement

Towards a 'physics-informed model'

Adapting hyperparameters (connectivity radius) to consider long-range interactions

Improving the noise given to the input

Changing the update mechanism (higher order)

Improving the expressivity

Improving our data: more simulations and longer trajectories

Bigger batch size

Complete hyperparameters study, making a deeper model

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