# A Discontinuity Capturing Shallow Neural Network for Anisotropic Elliptic Interface Problems 

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- $A(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ is symmetric positive definite and $\lambda>0$
- [.] denotes the quantity of jump discontinuity
- Obviously, the solution $u$ is discontinuous across all interfaces



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Question: How to approximate a discontinuous function using neural net approximation?

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## Theorem (Meer et al. 2021)

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- Solving the differential equation is converted to the optimization problem

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$$

## Example 1: 2D Problem with Regular Domain

- Domain $\Omega=[-1,1] \times[-1,1]$ and interface $\Gamma:\left(\frac{x_{1}}{0.5}\right)^{2}+\left(\frac{x_{2}}{0.5}\right)^{2}=1$
- We set

$$
\begin{aligned}
& u\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)= \begin{cases}u_{0}=x_{1}^{2}+x_{2}^{2} & \text { if }\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right) \in \Omega_{0} \\
u_{1}=\exp \left(x_{1}\right) \cos \left(x_{2}\right) & \text { if }\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right) \in \Omega_{1}\end{cases} \\
& A\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)= \begin{cases}A_{0}=1000\left[\begin{array}{cc}
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- $M=225$ interior points in the computational domain $\Omega$
$M_{b}=60$ points on the boundary $\partial \Omega$
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| 262144 | $2.091 \mathrm{E}-05$ | $(40,200)$ | $1.661 \mathrm{E}-05$ | $2.352 \mathrm{E}-06$ |

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## Example 2: 2D Problem with complicated geometry

$u_{\mathcal{N}}$


$$
\left|u_{\mathcal{N}}-u\right|
$$



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| 25600 | $9.400 \mathrm{E}-05$ | $1.433 \mathrm{E}-03$ | $(10,50)$ | $3.490 \mathrm{E}-06$ | $6.087 \mathrm{E}-06$ |
| 102400 | $2.600 \mathrm{E}-05$ | $6.890 \mathrm{E}-04$ | $(20,100)$ | $1.998 \mathrm{E}-07$ | $6.318 \mathrm{E}-07$ |

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## Example 3: 3D Problem



- The exact solution is chosen as

$$
u\left(x_{1}, x_{2}, x_{3}\right)= \begin{cases}u_{0}=\exp \left(x_{1}+x_{2}+x_{3}\right) & \text { if }\left(x_{1}, x_{2}, x_{3}\right) \in \Omega_{0} \\ u_{1}=\sin x_{1} \sin x_{2} \sin x_{3} & \text { if }\left(x_{1}, x_{2}, x_{3}\right) \in \Omega_{1} \\ u_{2}=\cos x_{1} \cos x_{2} \cos x_{3} & \text { if }\left(x_{1}, x_{2}, x_{3}\right) \in \Omega_{2} \\ u_{3}=\cosh x_{1} \cosh x_{2} \cosh x_{3} & \text { if }\left(x_{1}, x_{2}, x_{3}\right) \in \Omega_{3} \\ u_{4}=\sinh x_{1} \sinh x_{2} \sinh x_{3} & \text { if }\left(x_{1}, x_{2}, x_{3}\right) \in \Omega_{4}\end{cases}
$$

| $\left(N, N_{p}\right)$ | $\left\\|u_{\mathcal{N}}-u\right\\|_{\infty}$ | $\left\\|u_{\mathcal{N}}-u\right\\|_{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $(40,240)$ | $2.337 \mathrm{E}-04$ | $3.696 \mathrm{E}-05$ |
| $(50,300)$ | $1.951 \mathrm{E}-05$ | $4.715 \mathrm{E}-06$ |

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