

Physics-informed Reduced Order Modeling of Time-dependent PDEs via Differentiable Solvers

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TL;DR: Physics-informed Reduced Order Model

Φ-ROM is a **physics-informed** reduced order model (ROM) for time-dependent PDEs that learns the temporal dynamics from **differentiable solvers**.

Compared to **Data-Driven** ROMs, **Φ-ROM**:

- ✓ **Generalizes** better to unseen initial conditions and parameters,
- ✓ **Forecasts** beyond the training time-horizon,
- ✓ Is robust to irregular and **sparse data**,
- ✓ Is more **data efficient**.

Φ-ROM is also more **robust to various physical phenomena** compared to other physics-informed approaches (e.g. **PINNs**).

Overview

For PDEs of the following form,

$$\dot{u} = \mathcal{N}(u; \beta), \quad u(t, x) : \mathcal{T} \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m,$$

parameterized by β , a neural ROM generally:

1. **Encodes:** $u_{t_0} \xrightarrow{D^\dagger} \alpha_{t_0}$
2. **Forecasts:** $\alpha_{t_0} \xrightarrow{\Psi} \alpha_T$
3. **Decodes:** $\alpha_T \xrightarrow{D} u_T$

➤ Fast and efficient simulation within a reduced manifold of solutions.

Data-driven ROMs fail to accurately model the latent dynamics consistent with the true physics.

Φ-ROM learns the latent dynamics directly from a **differentiable solver** so that they are consistent with the physics.
➤ Ψ is consistent with physics.

Results: Generalization, Forecasting, and Sparse Data

PDEs: (1) Diffusion, (2) Burgers', (3) N-S, (4) KdV, (5) LBM (bluff-body)

Solvers: (1) FD, (2) FD, (3) FVM, (4) Spectral, (5) Lattice Boltzmann

Baselines: **DINo** [1], **CROM** [2], **PINN-ROM** [3]

N-S & KdV: Forecasting for unseen initial conditions

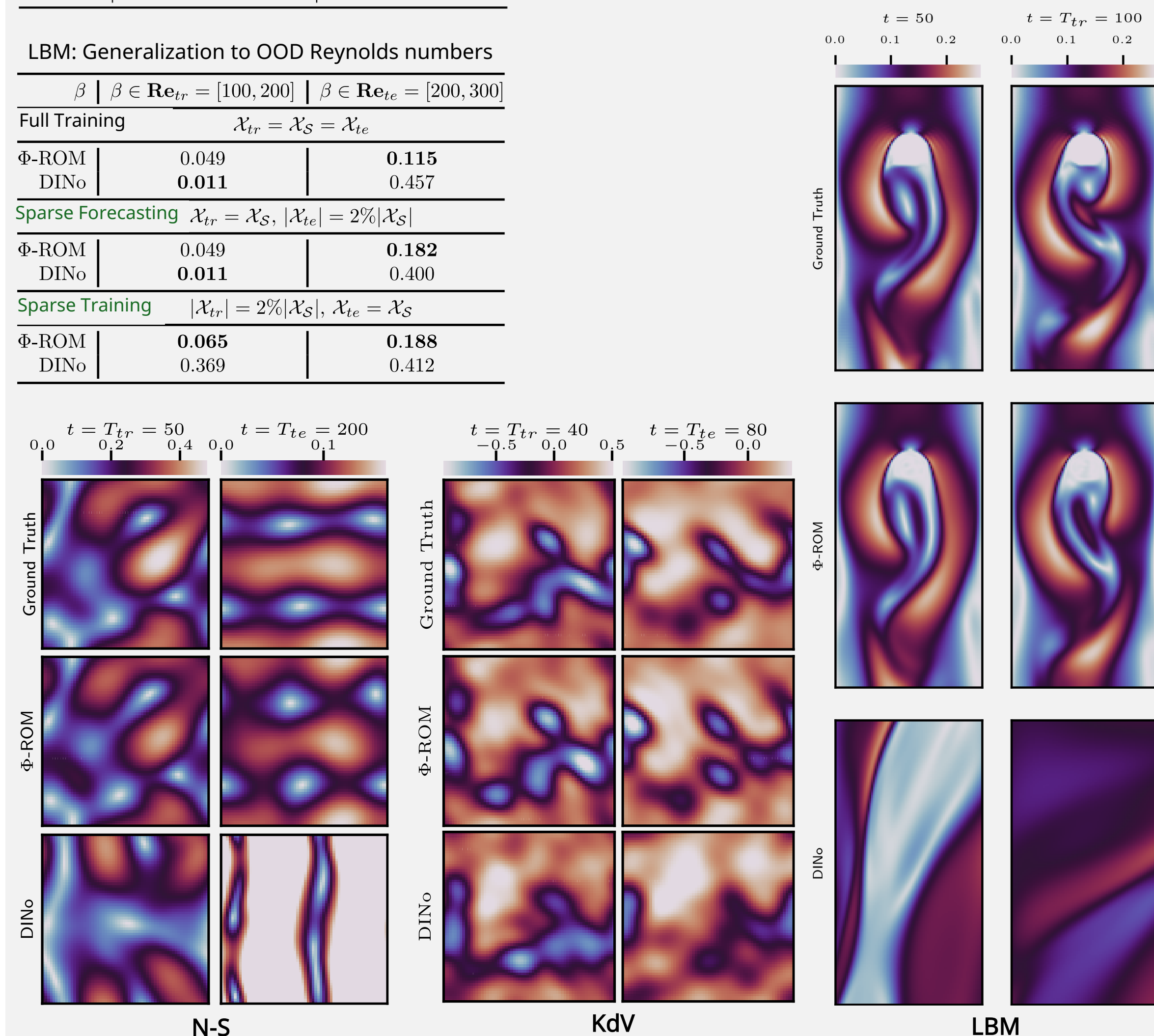
PDE	NS	KdV
Time	$[0, T_{tr}]$ $[T_{tr}, T_{te}]$	$[0, T_{tr}]$ $[T_{tr}, T_{te}]$
Full Training	$\mathcal{X}_{tr} = \mathcal{X}_S = \mathcal{X}_{te}$	
Φ-ROM	0.170	0.373
DINo	0.580	1.543
Sparse Training	$ \mathcal{X}_{tr} = 2\% \mathcal{X}_S , \mathcal{X}_{te} = \mathcal{X}_S$	
Φ-ROM	0.189	0.394
DINo	0.594	1.517

LBM: Generalization to OOD Reynolds numbers

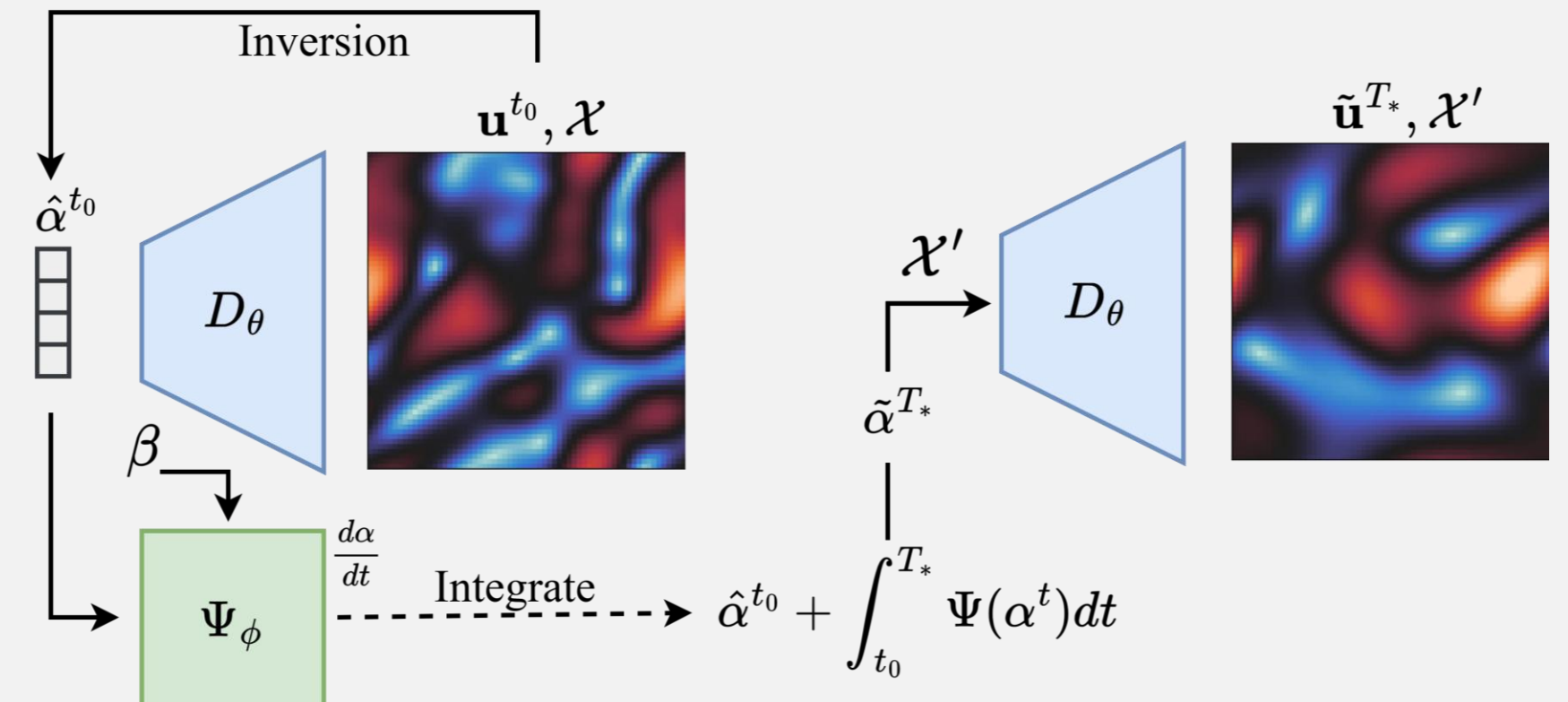
β	$\beta \in \mathbf{Re}_{tr} = [100, 200]$	$\beta \in \mathbf{Re}_{te} = [200, 300]$
Full Training	$\mathcal{X}_{tr} = \mathcal{X}_S = \mathcal{X}_{te}$	
Φ-ROM	0.049	0.115
DINo	0.011	0.457
Sparse Forecasting	$ \mathcal{X}_{tr} = 2\% \mathcal{X}_S , \mathcal{X}_{te} = \mathcal{X}_S$	
Φ-ROM	0.049	0.182
DINo	0.011	0.400
Sparse Training	$ \mathcal{X}_{tr} = 2\% \mathcal{X}_S , \mathcal{X}_{te} = \mathcal{X}_S$	
Φ-ROM	0.065	0.188
DINo	0.369	0.412

Compared to **data-driven DINo**:

- ✓ **Φ-ROM** is more stable in time and extrapolates beyond the training time horizon.
- ✓ **Φ-ROM** generalizes better to unseen initial conditions and out-of-dist. parameters.
- ✓ **Φ-ROM** learns and forecast the dynamics from sparse observations (as low as 2% of the data).
- ✓ **Φ-ROM** is robust to the underlying numerical method of the solver.



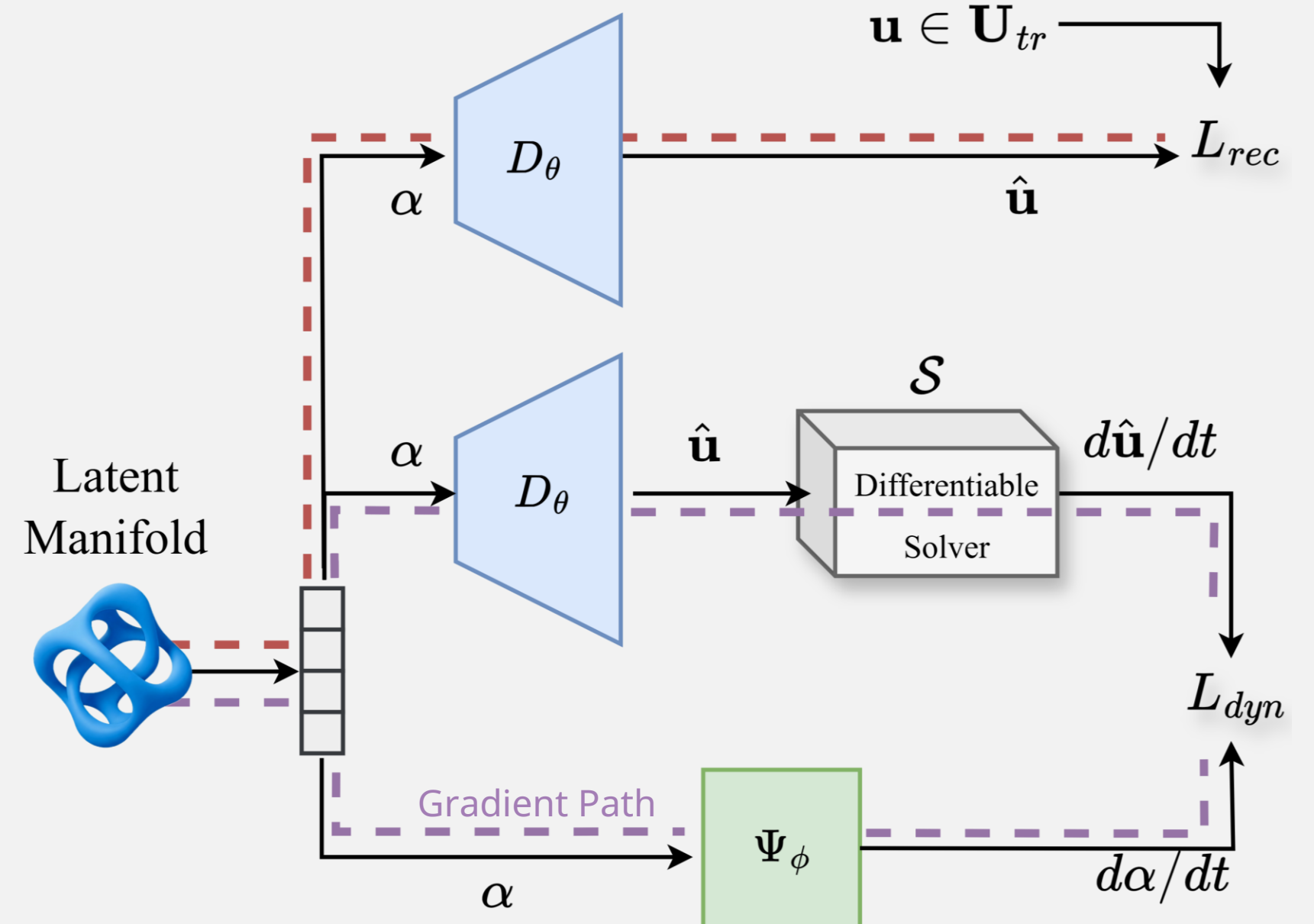
Φ-ROM Framework



Φ-ROM has the same architecture as **DINO**:

1. **INR Decoder:** $D(\alpha_t, \mathcal{X}) = \hat{u}_t$ ✓ Mesh-free
2. **Dynamics network:** $\Psi(\alpha) = d\alpha/dt = \dot{\alpha}$ ✓ Continuous in space
✓ Continuous in time

Training Φ-ROM



For a latent coordinate α corresponding to snapshot \mathbf{u} in the dataset:

1. Reconstruct: $D(\alpha) = \hat{\mathbf{u}}$
2. Get **solver** dynamics: $d\hat{\mathbf{u}}/dt = \mathcal{S}[\hat{\mathbf{u}}]$
3. Get latent derivatives: $d\alpha/dt = \Psi(\alpha)$
4. Take decoder Jacobians: $J_D(\alpha)\dot{\alpha} = d\hat{\mathbf{u}}/dt$

$$\rightarrow L_{dyn}(\alpha) = (\Psi(\alpha) - J_D^\dagger(\alpha)\mathcal{S}[\hat{\mathbf{u}}])^2$$

Minimize the **dynamics loss** along with a data reconstruction loss.

➤ Since \mathcal{S} is **differentiable**, errors backpropagate through the decoder and **regularize** the latent solution manifold, while Ψ learns directly from \mathcal{S} .

Results: Discretized Solver vs Continuous Physics, Data Efficiency

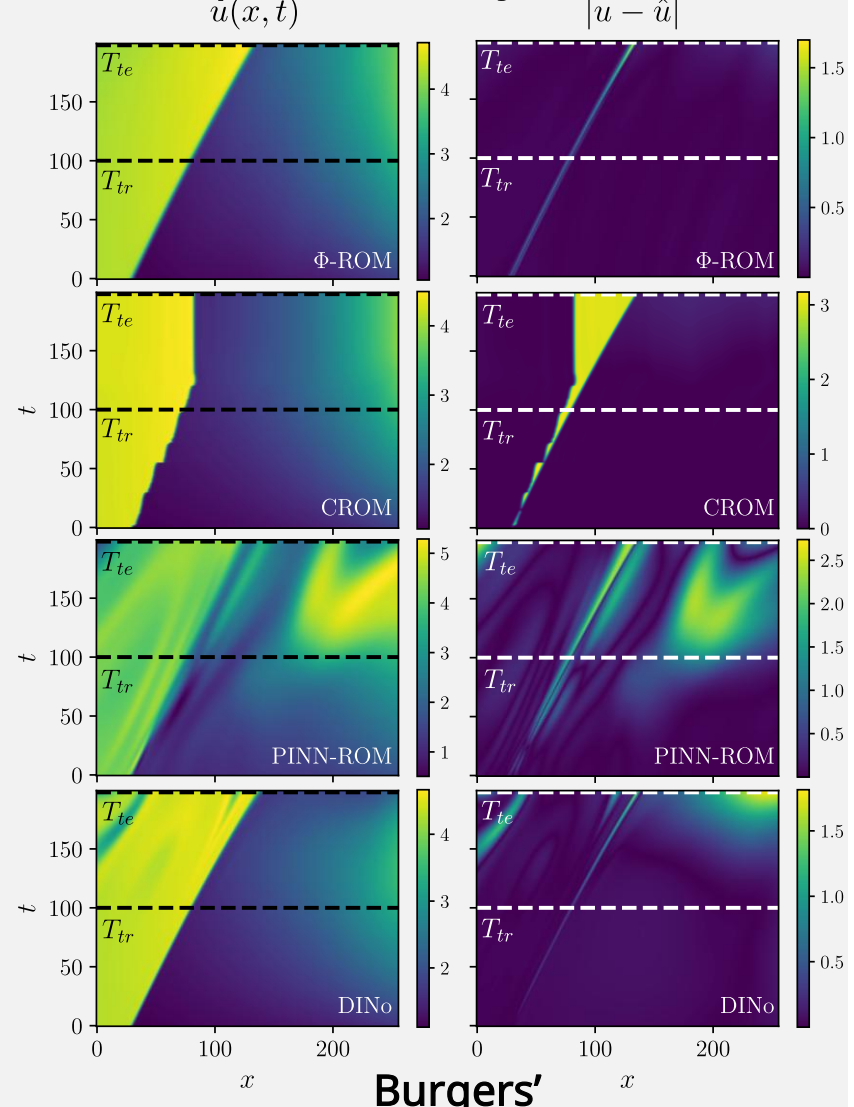
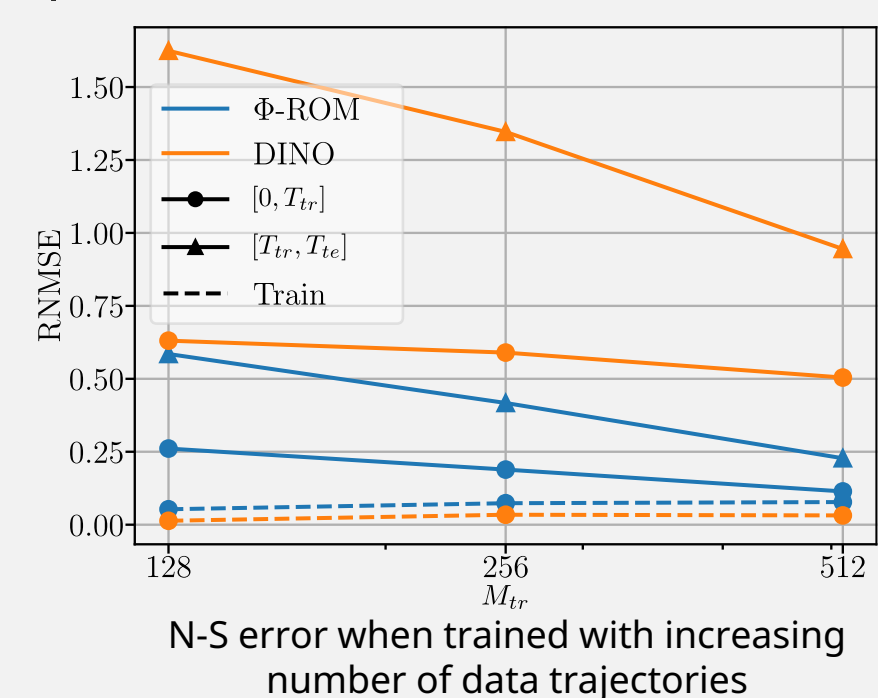
PINN-ROM and **CROM** use **continuous physics** along with auto-diff, while **Φ-ROM** incorporates the **discretized physics** embedded in a numerical solver.

➤ **Φ-ROM** does not suffer from auto-diff inaccuracies.

➤ **Φ-ROM** follows a **convergent discretization scheme** provided by the solver.

As a result, **Φ-ROM** is robust to various physical phenomena, such as shock waves.

Φ-ROM also improves the data-efficiency compared to **DINO**.



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