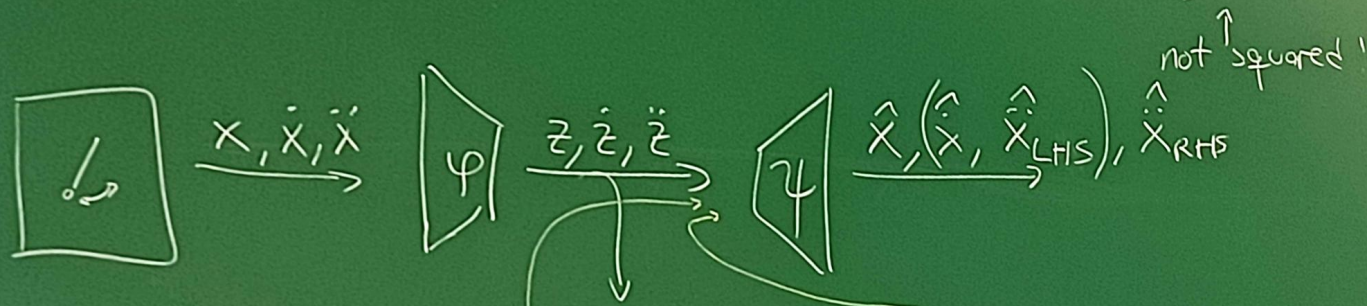


# Correction. Chain-Rule Algorithm

$$(2) \textcircled{c} \ddot{\tilde{z}}^l \leftarrow (g''(\tilde{z}^l) \odot \ddot{\tilde{z}}^l) \odot \dot{\tilde{z}}^l + (g'(\tilde{z}^l) \odot \dot{\tilde{z}}^l)$$



$$\underbrace{\ddot{z}}_{LHS} \approx \underbrace{\theta(z, \dot{z})}_{RHS} = \ddot{z}$$

ideally equal  
at the end of training

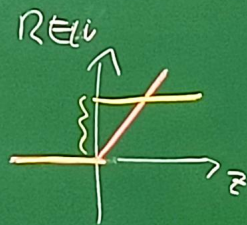
# Activation Functions

Sigmoid:  $\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}$

$$\sigma'(z) = \sigma(z) \cdot (1 - \sigma(z))$$

$$\sigma''(z) = \sigma'(z) \cdot (1 - 2\sigma(z))$$

Also: - RELU (careful: discontinuous  $\text{RELU}'(z)$ )



- ELU, GELU

- Dropout (careful:  $z$  becomes noisy)

- more complicated  $g$ : BatchNorm (careful: complicated  $g', g''$ )

→ analytically computing the derivatives may require some prior work

but it is computationally very efficient

Alternatives: - Autograd: very expensive

- Numerical differentiation: very noisy

## Training

- Two components: Autoencoder, SINDy coefficient

Why do we train jointly?  $\rightarrow$  SINDy encourages the encoder to learn suitable low-dimensional coordinates in which the equation can be formulated from the pre-defined terms

## Loss

Reconstruction term  $\mathcal{L}_x$

-  $x$

-  $x \xrightarrow{\varphi} z \xrightarrow{\psi} \hat{x}$

$$\rightarrow \mathcal{L}_x = \|x - \underbrace{\psi(\varphi(x))}_{\hat{x}}\|_2^2$$

Dynamics term in  $z$ :  $\alpha_{\dot{z}}$  (for 1st order ODE for simplicity:  $\dot{z} = f(z)$ )

"How good does the LHS and RHS of the equation match?"

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \dot{x} \xrightarrow{\varphi} \dot{z} \\
 & - x \xrightarrow{\varphi} z \xrightarrow{\Theta(z)\Xi} \hat{\dot{z}} \rightarrow \alpha_{\dot{z}} = \left\| \underbrace{\nabla_x \varphi(x) \dot{x}}_{\text{LHS, } \dot{z}} - \underbrace{\Theta(\varphi(x)) \Xi}_{\text{RHS, } \hat{\dot{z}}} \right\|_2
 \end{aligned}$$

via encoder chain rule

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l}
 \text{1st order ODE: } \dot{z} = f(z) = \Theta(z)\Xi \\
 \text{2nd order ODE: } \ddot{z} = f(z, \dot{z}) = \Theta(z, \dot{z})\Xi
 \end{array} \right]$$

Dynamics term in  $x$ :  $\alpha_{\dot{x}}$

"How close to  $\dot{x}$  is the decoded RHS?"

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \dot{x} \\
 & - x \xrightarrow{\varphi} z \xrightarrow{\Theta(z)\Xi} \hat{\dot{z}}_{\text{RHS}} \xrightarrow{\psi} \hat{\dot{x}}_{\text{RHS}} \rightarrow \alpha_{\dot{x}} = \left\| \hat{\dot{x}}_{\text{RHS}} - \underbrace{\nabla_z \psi(\varphi(x)) \cdot \Theta(\varphi(x)) \Xi}_{\text{decoder chain rule RHS, } \hat{\dot{z}}} \right\|_2
 \end{aligned}$$

## LASSO Regularization of $\Xi$

$$\alpha_1 = \|\Xi\|_1$$

$$\hat{\varphi}, \hat{\psi}, \hat{\Xi} = \underset{\varphi, \psi, \Xi}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left[ \alpha_x^{(i)} + \lambda_z \alpha_z^{(i)} + \lambda_{\dot{x}} \alpha_{\dot{x}}^{(i)} \right] + \lambda_1 \alpha_1$$

Loss for 2nd order ODE:

- Replace  $\dot{z}, \dot{x} \rightarrow \ddot{z}, \ddot{x}$ , no loss for intermediate (1st order) time derivatives

Thresholding: Same as in SLINDy on  $\ddot{z}$

## Refinement

- Due to the  $L_1$  loss, the coefficients are biased towards smaller values and do not result in the optimal equation for the dynamics

- After convergence with  $\lambda_1 > 0$  and thresholding of unimportant coefficients, proceed training without  $L_1$  loss ( $\lambda_1 = 0$ ) so let the model "refine" its coordinates and the equation.

- Once a coefficient is thresholded / disabled during training, it remains 0 for the rest of further training, including refinement

## Caveats

- Sequential Thresholding does not work well  $\rightarrow$  not very robust / reliable
- Requirement of prior knowledge about the system (Need to guess plausible terms for SMDy before training  $\rightarrow$  also for  $\dim(\tilde{z})$   $\rightarrow$  choose terms for  $\Theta = [1, \tilde{z}, \dot{\tilde{z}}, \sin(\tilde{z}), \dots]$ )
- Inherent Freedom of Choice : for a given dynamic system, many coordinate systems may be valid to describe the dynamics

Balance:

- few, simple terms: coordinates are also shaped simple st. they fit the equation

- many / complicated terms; Autoencoder may find one of many coordinates in which the  
an equation can be constructed from the terms ( $\rightarrow$  unidentifiability)

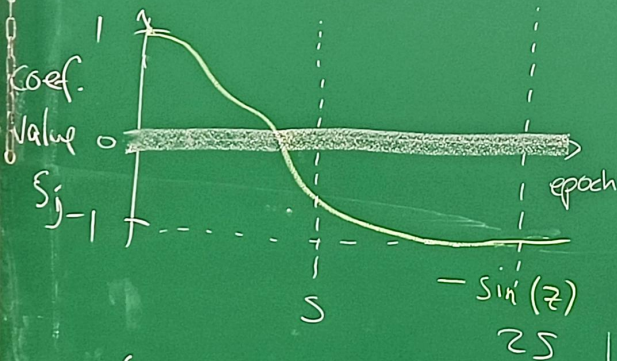
$\rightarrow$  "hallucinations": terms that correspond to non-existent effects of the ground truth system

$$GT: \ddot{z} = -\sin(z)$$

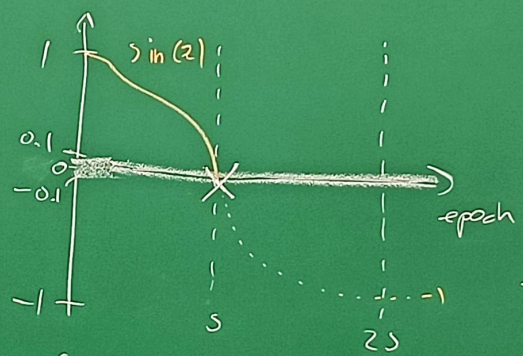
$$\text{Sometimes: } \ddot{z} = 0.5 - 0.9 \sin(z)$$

possible reason: coordinates are not the same as the ground truth coordinates

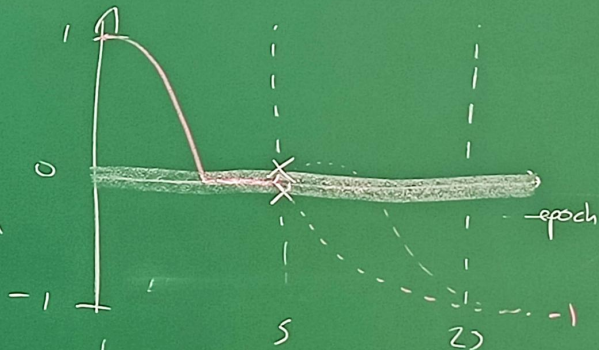
# Problems with Sequential Thresholding [Saegert 2022] @psaegert



coefficient passes through the threshold region fast enough and reach  $-\sin(z)$



coefficient happens to pass through the threshold region exactly at the threshold epoch  $n=5$   $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and are turned off although they are still changing and not converged



all coefficients quickly drop to 0 (possibly due to incoherent initialization of the Autoencoder)  
 → messy coordinates in which none of the coefficients can contribute to solving the equation  
 → before the coordinates can change to more suitable ones, all coef. are turned off.



→ most equations with ST end up being  $\vec{z} = 0$ . only occasionally it discovers the "right" or ground truth equation (due to random initialization)

→ still need thresholding for sparsity

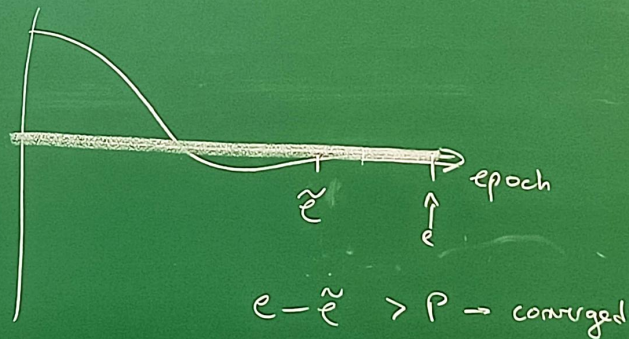
### Patient Trend-Aware Thresholding (PIAT)

In each epoch  $e$ , turn off coefficients, only if  $\forall e' : e - P < e' \leq e$

1.  $|\xi_{e'}| < a$

2.  $|\xi_{e'} - \xi_{e'-1}| < b$

with hyperparameters  $a, b, P$  (ST: only have  $a$ )



→ fewer false negatives: coefficients are allowed to evolve and converge to a possibly non-zero value

Results: ( $N=10$  random initializations)

Sequential Thresholding

35% :  $\hat{z} = 0$

25% :  $\hat{z} = f(z, \hat{z})$ , no  $\sin(z)$

40% :  $\hat{z} = -\sin(z) + f(z, \hat{z})$

Patient Trend-Aware Thresholding

0% :  $\hat{z} = 0$

0% :  $\hat{z} = f(z, \hat{z})$ , no  $\sin(z)$

100% :  $\hat{z} = -\sin(z) + f(z, \hat{z})$   
10/10

→ slightly more terms than ST, but more reliable and honest