

Data-Driven Anisotropic Finite Viscoelasticity with Neural ODEs

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- NODE architecture can be tweaked to ensure:
 - Non-decreasing/Non-increasing
 - Non-negative
 - Pass through the origin, i.e. include $(0, 0)$
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Require that the two terms independently satisfy the inequality,

$$-2 \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \mathbf{C}_i^M} : \frac{1}{2} \dot{\mathbf{C}}_i^M \geq 0 \quad (\text{Matrix dissipation inequality}) \quad (4)$$

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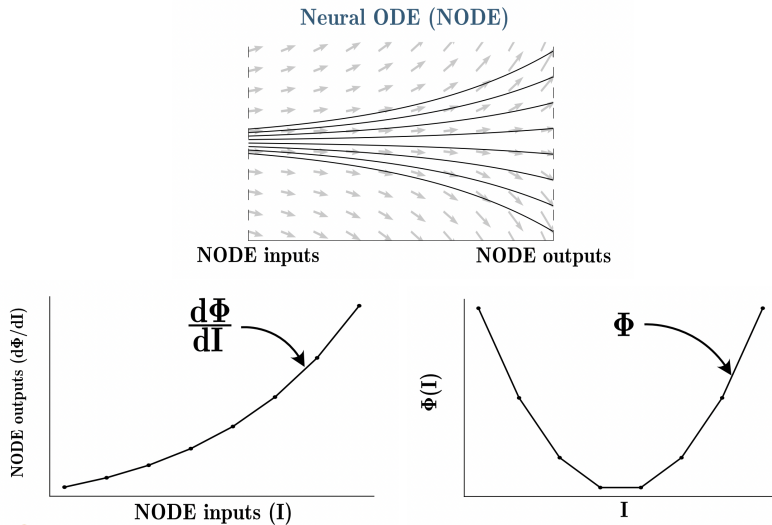
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NODEs, convexity & monotonicity



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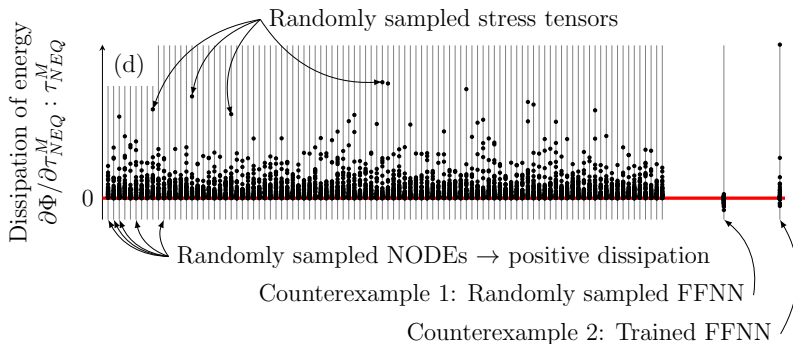
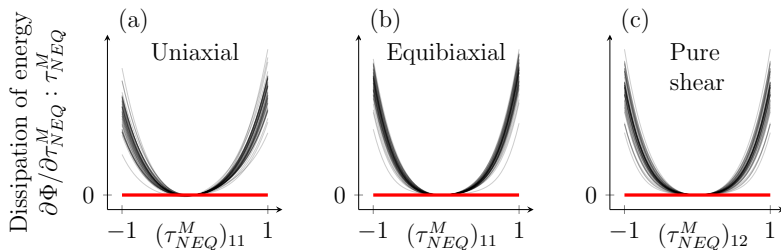
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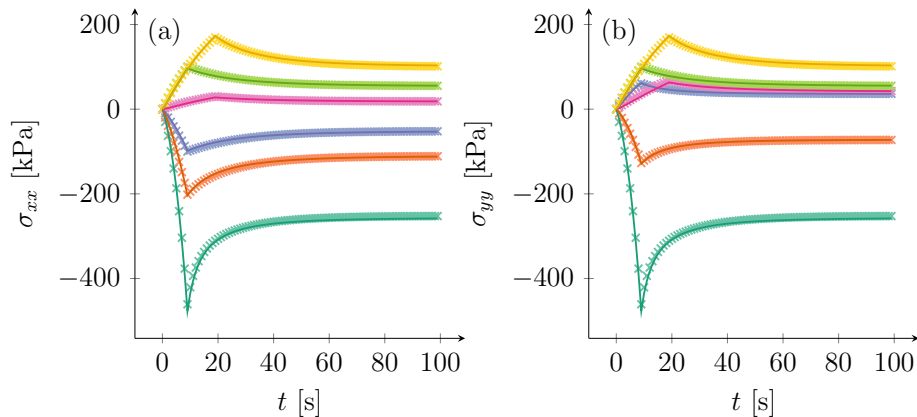
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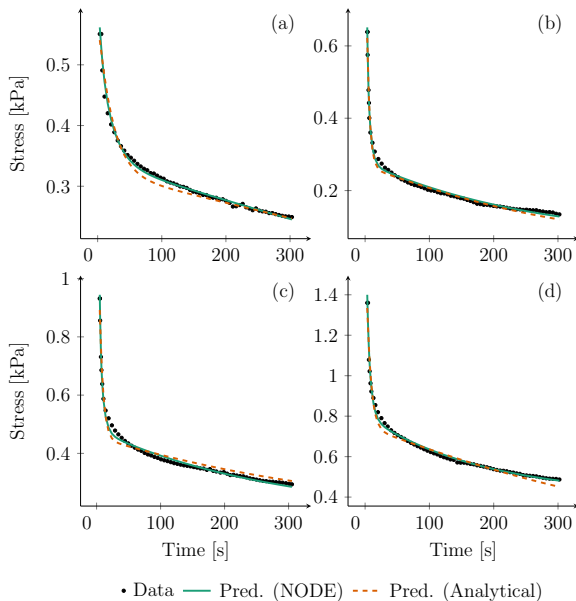


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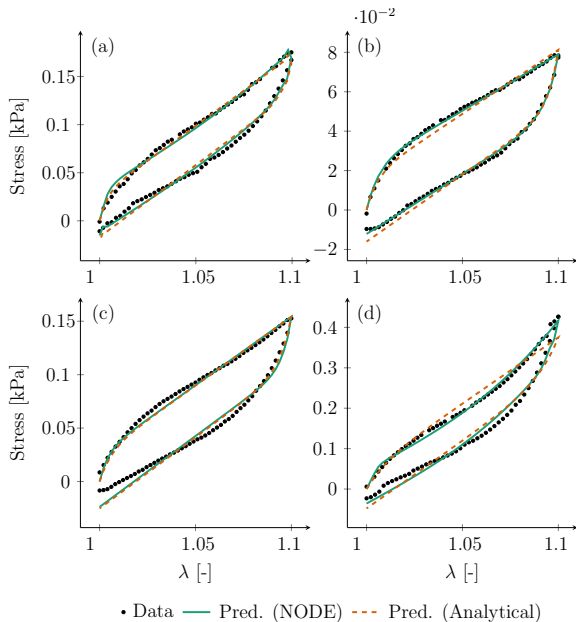


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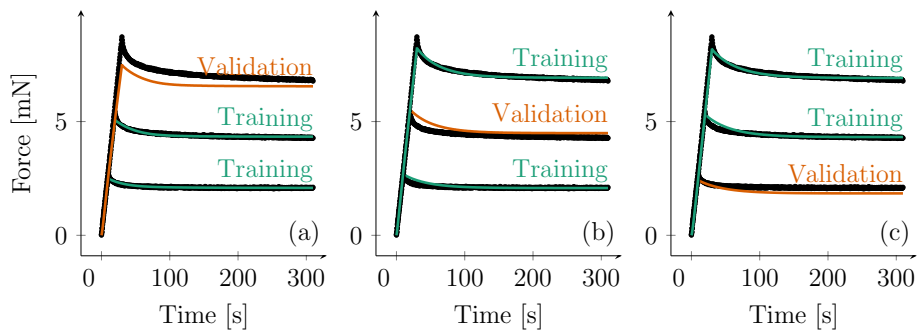
Training with data from human brain



Training with *cyclic* data from human brain

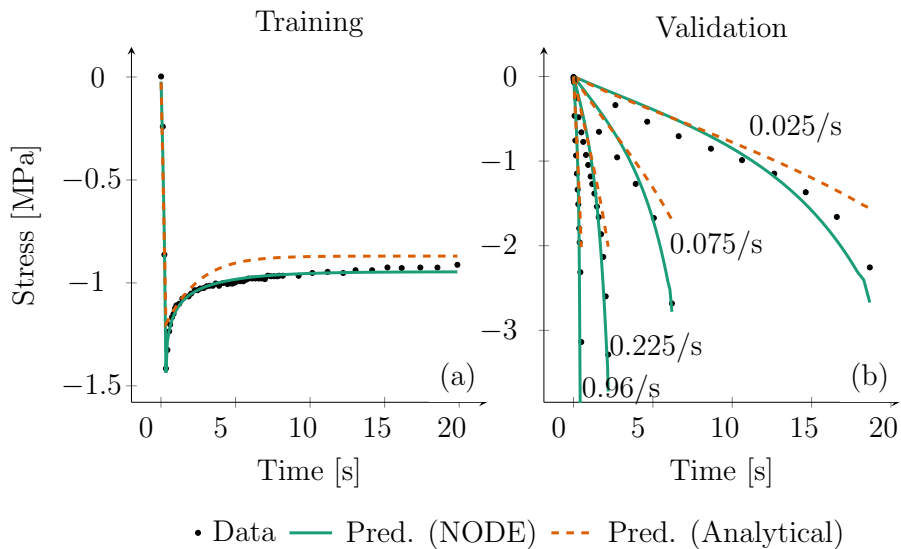


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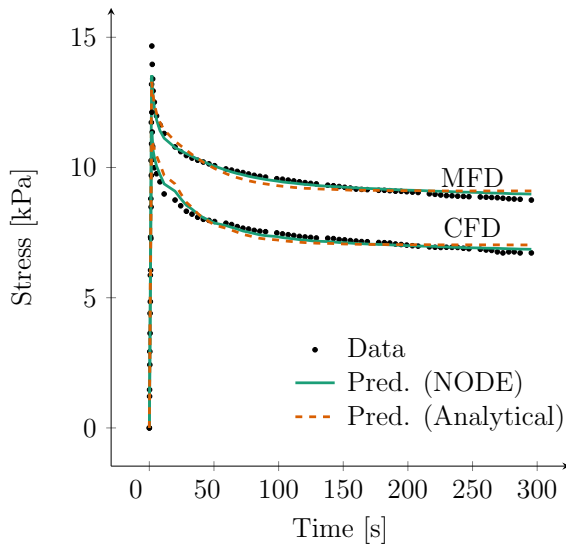


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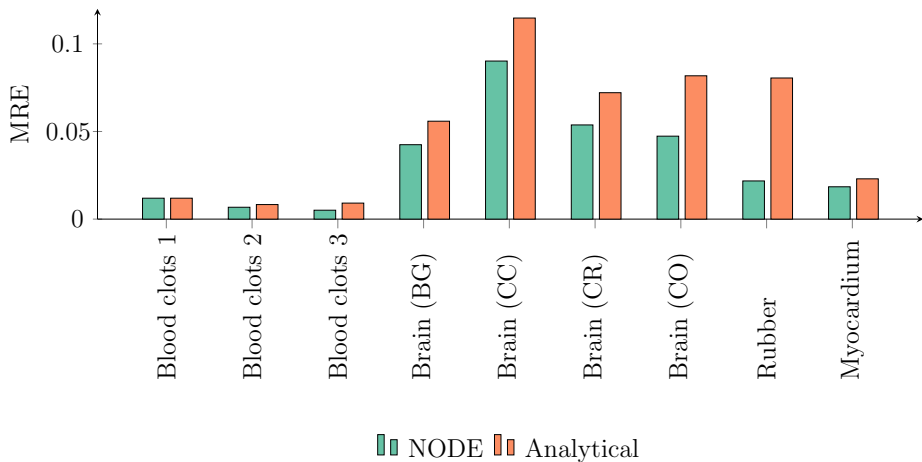
Training with rubber data



Training with data from human myocardium (anisotropic)



Summary of all training cases



Conclusions

- We developed a fully data-driven model of finite viscoelasticity
 - Anisotropic
 - Physics-constrained
 - Arbitrary deformations and stresses
 - Large deformations and large deviations from the Thermodynamic equilibrium
 - Extremely flexible
- First such model to the best of our knowledge
- Trained and tested with experimental data from biological *and* man-made materials
 - Rubber
 - Blood clots
 - Human brain
 - Human myocardium
- Under different loading conditions
 - Stress relaxation
 - Cyclic loading
 - Monotonic compression
- Outperforms the benchmark closed-form model in all cases!

Thank you!