

Spectral Methods for Uncertainty Quantification

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Objectives of the lecture

- Basic principle of stochastic Galerkin projection
- Discuss derivation and elementary building blocks of the Galerkin projection
- Galerkin linear models and evaluation of non-linearities.
- Show examples

Stochastic discretization

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A procedure is need for the computation of the stochastic modes u_k

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Inserting U^P in the weak formulation yields the stochastic residual

$$\langle \mathcal{M}(U^P(\xi); D(\xi)), \beta(\xi) \rangle = \langle R(U^P), \beta \rangle.$$

Consider a **linear problem discretized at the deterministic level** and recast in the matrix form

$$[A](\xi)\mathbf{U}(\xi) = \mathbf{B}(\xi).$$

Seeking the solution $\mathbf{U}(\xi)$ in a subspace $\mathbb{R}^m \otimes \mathcal{S}^P$ of $\mathbb{R}^m \otimes L^2(\Xi, P_{\Xi})$, the **Galerkin projection** gives:

$$\sum_{i=0}^P \langle \psi_k, [A]\psi_i \rangle \mathbf{u}_i = \langle \psi_k, \mathbf{B} \rangle, \quad k \in \{0, \dots, P\}.$$

equivalent to the larger (block) **system of linear equations**

$$\begin{bmatrix} [A]_{00} & \cdots & [A]_{0P} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ [A]_{P0} & \cdots & [A]_{PP} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}_0 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_P \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{b}_0 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{b}_P \end{pmatrix}.$$

$[A]_{ij}$ the $(m \times m)$ matrix given by $[A]_{ij} := \langle \psi_i, [A]\psi_j \rangle$, and $\mathbf{b}_i := \langle \psi_i, \mathbf{B} \rangle$.

The third-order tensor C_{ijk} plays a fundamental role in stochastic Galerkin methods, especially in non-linear problems.

- C_{ijk} is symmetric w.r.t. the two first indices, $C_{ijk} = C_{jik}$.
- It induces block-symmetry in the spectral problem, $[\bar{A}]_{ij} = [\bar{A}]_{ji}$
- Many of the $(P + 1)^3$ entries are zero with many simplifications.
- For instance the first block of the Galerkin system reduces to

$$[\bar{A}]_{00} = \sum_{k=0}^P [A]_k C_{k00} = [A]_0$$

and the sum for the upper-right block (and lower-left block) actually reduces to $[\bar{A}]_{0P} = [A]_P / \langle \Psi_P^2 \rangle$.

- Many other simplifications occur.
- Computational strategy for computation and storage of C_{ijk} will be discussed later (OK).

$$N = 4\text{-dim } S^P = 35\text{-}S = 0.58$$

$$N = 6\text{-dim } S^P = 84\text{-}S = 0.41$$



$$N = 8\text{-dim } S^P = 165\text{-}S = 0.31$$

$$N = 10\text{-dim } S^P = 286\text{-}S = 0.23$$

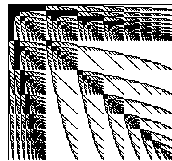
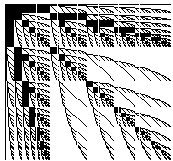
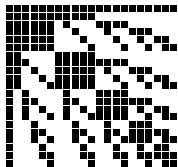


Illustration of the sparse structure of the matrices of the linear spectral problem for different dimensions, N , with $N_0 = 3$. Matrix blocks \overline{A}_{ij} that are generally non-zero appear as black squares.

$$N_0 = 2\text{-dim } \mathcal{S}^P = 21 - S = 0.52$$

$$N_0 = 3\text{-dim } \mathcal{S}^P = 56 - S = 0.49$$



$$N_0 = 4\text{-dim } \mathcal{S}^P = 126 - S = 0.54$$

$$N_0 = 5\text{-dim } \mathcal{S}^P = 252 - S = 0.55$$

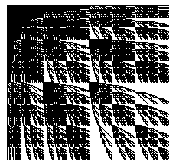
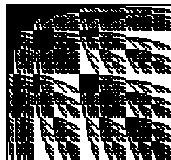


Illustration of the sparse structure of the matrices of the linear spectral problem for different expansion orders N_0 , with $N = 5$. Matrix blocks $[\bar{A}]_{ij}$ that are generally non-zero appear as black squares.

- Examples above assumes that $[A](\xi)$ has a full spectrum in \mathcal{S}^P .
- When $[A](\xi)$ has a first-order expansion, the block structure of the linear spectral problem becomes even sparser.
- This behavior motivates the selection, whenever possible, of an approximation based on a first order operator.

- The main difficulty in solving discrete linear spectral problems is the size of the system.
- The structure and sparsity of the linear Galerkin problem suggests **iterative solution strategies**.
- Iterative solvers (e.g. conjugate gradient techniques for symmetric systems, and Krylov subspace methods) can be used.
- The efficiency of iterative solvers depends on the availability of **appropriate preconditioners which need be adapted to the Galerkin problem**.
- Construction of the preconditioners can exploit the block-structure of the linear Galerkin problem.

Preconditioning with the mean operator

- One can expect the diagonal blocks $[\bar{A}]_{ii}$ of the Galerkin system to be dominant.

$$[\bar{A}]_{ii} = \sum_{k=0}^P [A]_k \frac{\langle \Psi_k \Psi_i \Psi_i \rangle}{\langle \Psi_i \Psi_i \rangle}$$

- The mean operator $[A]_0$ is always present in this summation.
- It is expected to be dominant for reasonable variability in $[A](\xi)$.
- It suggests the preconditioner

$$[P] = \begin{bmatrix} [A]_0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & [A]_0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Owing to the **diagonal block structure of $[P]$** , only the inversion of $[A]_0$ is required:

$$[P]^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} ([A]_0)^{-1} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & ([A]_0)^{-1} \end{bmatrix}.$$

The **preconditioned Galerkin problem** can now be expressed as:

$$[P]^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} [\bar{A}]_{00} & \dots & [\bar{A}]_{0P} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ [\bar{A}]_{P0} & \dots & [\bar{A}]_{PP} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}_0 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_P \end{pmatrix} = [P]^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{b}_0 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{b}_P \end{pmatrix}.$$

Resolution of the preconditioned problem also factorizes in a series of $P + 1$ problems each with dimension m .

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Many models involve non-linearities of various types and their treatment is critical in stochastic Galerkin methods

Let $\{\Psi_k(\xi)\}_{k=0}^P$ be an orthogonal basis of $S^P \subset L_2(\Xi, P_\Xi)$, and f a **non-linear** functional u, v, \dots :

$$u, v, \dots \in \mathbb{R} \mapsto f(u, v, \dots) \in \mathbb{R}.$$

For random arguments, $U(\xi), V(\xi), \dots \in \mathbb{R} \otimes S^P$, we generally have $f(U, V, \dots) =: G(\xi) \notin \mathbb{R} \otimes S^P$, but if $G(\xi) \in \mathbb{R} \otimes L_2(\Xi, P_\Xi)$ it has an orthogonal projection on S^P ,

$$G(\xi) \approx \hat{G} = \sum_{k=0}^P g_k \Psi_k, \quad g_k = \frac{\langle f(U, V, \dots), \Psi_k \rangle}{\langle \Psi_k^2 \rangle}.$$

The problem is therefore to **derive efficient strategies to compute the expansion coefficients g_k of $\hat{G}(\xi)$** from the expansion coefficients of its arguments $U(\xi), V(\xi), \dots$.

Polynomial non-linearities

The product of two quantities appears in many models.

It corresponds to the case $G(\xi) = W(\xi) = U(\xi)V(\xi)$ for $U, V \in S^P$ having known expansions. Clearly,

$$W(\xi) = \sum_{i=0}^P \sum_{j=0}^P u_i v_j \psi_i(\xi) \psi_j(\xi).$$

and in general $W(\xi) \notin S^P$ though it is in $L_2(\Xi, P_{\Xi})$. Therefore, \widehat{W} , the orthogonal projection of W on S^P , has expansion coefficients

$$w_k = \frac{\langle W, \psi_k \rangle}{\langle \psi_k^2 \rangle} = \sum_{i=0}^P \sum_{j=0}^P u_i v_j C_{ijk}.$$

The result of the orthogonal projection of UV is called the Galerkin product of U and V and is denoted $U * V$.

The Galerkin product introduces **truncation errors** by disregarding the components of UV orthogonal to S^P .

Polynomial non-linearities

Higher order polynomial non-linearities are also frequent.

Consider first the triple product $G(\xi) = U(\xi)V(\xi)W(\xi)$ One can again perform an exact Galerkin projection of the triple product:

$$\widehat{UVW} := \sum_{m=0}^P \widehat{UVW}_m \Psi_m = \sum_{m=0}^P \Psi_m \left(\sum_{j,k,l=0}^P T_{jklm} U_j V_k W_l \right),$$
$$T_{jklm} \equiv \frac{\langle \Psi_j \Psi_k \Psi_l \Psi_m \rangle}{\langle \Psi_m \Psi_m \rangle}.$$

- This exact Galerkin projection of the triple product involves the **fourth order tensor** T_{jklm} .
- T_{jklm} is sparse with many symmetries .
- However, computation and storage of T_{jklm} becomes quickly prohibitive when P increases.
- The exact Galerkin projection can **hardly be extended further** to higher order polynomial non-linearities.

Polynomial non-linearities

It is often preferred to rely on approximations for **polynomial non-linearities** of order larger than 2. For the triple product, an immediate approximation is

$$\widehat{UVW} \approx U * (V * W) = \widehat{UVW}.$$

This strategy can be extended to **higher degree polynomial non-linearities** by using successive Galerkin products. For instance,

$$\widehat{ABC \dots D} \approx A * (B * (C * (\dots * D))).$$

This procedure does not provide the exact Galerkin projection, since every intermediate product disregards the part orthogonal to \mathcal{S}^P . Even for the triple product it is remarked that, in general

$$U * (V * W) \neq (U * V) * W \neq (U * W) * V.$$

The order in which the successive Galerkin products are applied affects the result.

Inverse and square root

Inverse and division are also common non-linearities.

For the inversion, one has to determine the expansion coefficients of the inverse U^{-1} of $U(\xi)$,

$$U^{-1}(\xi) = \frac{1}{U(\xi)} = \left(\sum_{k=0}^P u_k \Psi_k(\xi) \right)^{-1},$$

such that

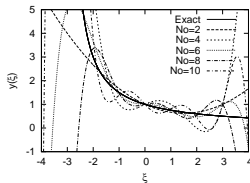
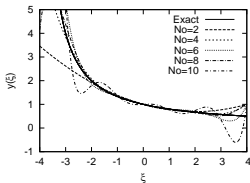
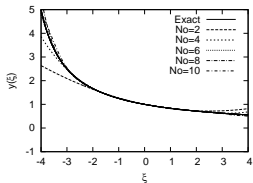
$$U^{-1}(\xi)U(\xi) = 1 \quad \text{a.s.}$$

U^{-1} is sought in S^P and the previous equation needs to be interpreted in a weak sense. Using the Galerkin multiplication tensor, it comes

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sum_{j=0}^P C_{j00} u_j & \cdots & \sum_{j=0}^P C_{jP0} u_j \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum_{j=0}^P C_{j0P} u_j & \cdots & \sum_{j=0}^P C_{jPP} u_j \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_0^{-1} \\ \vdots \\ u_P^{-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Due to truncature error, the above definition corresponds to the pseudo-spectral inverse U^{*-1} of U .

Inverse and square root



Pseudo-spectral approximation at different orders of the inverse $Y(\xi) = \widehat{U^{-1}}(\xi)$ of $U(\xi) = 1 + \alpha\xi$ with $\xi \sim N(0, 1)$: $\alpha = 1/5$ (left), $1/4$ (center) and $1/3$ (right). Wiener-Hermite expansions are used.

Extend immediately to the evaluation of U/V

Inverse and square root

The Galerkin product can also serve to approximate **square roots**.

Given $U(\xi) > 0$ we have

$$U^{1/2}(\xi)U^{1/2}(\xi) = U(\xi).$$

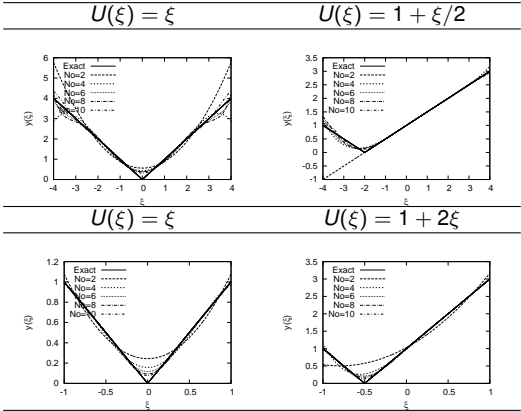
The approximate $U^{*1/2} \in \mathcal{S}^P$ of $U^{1/2}$ solves

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sum_{j=0}^P C_{j00} u^{1/2}_j & \cdots & \sum_{j=0}^P C_{jP0} u^{1/2}_j \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum_{j=0}^P C_{j0P} u^{1/2}_j & \cdots & \sum_{j=0}^P C_{jPP} u^{1/2}_j \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u^{1/2}_0 \\ \vdots \\ u^{1/2}_P \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_0 \\ \vdots \\ u_P \end{pmatrix}.$$

This **non-linear system** can be solved using standard techniques (Newton-Raphson iterations) Choosing for the initial guess $U^{*1/2}(\xi) = \pm\sqrt{u_0}$ allows for the **selection of the positive or negative** square root of $U(\xi)$.

Absolute values

Application to the approximation of **absolute values**



Convergence with N_0 of the pseudo-spectral approximation on S^{N_0} of $Y(\xi) = |U(\xi)|$ for different $u(\xi)$. Top plots: $\xi \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ and Wiener-Hermite expansions. Bottom plots: $\xi \sim \mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$ and Wiener-Legendre expansions.

Min and Max operators

Consider the Max (Min) operator

$$u, v \in \mathbb{R} \mapsto \text{Max}(u, v) = \begin{cases} u, & u \geq v \\ v, & u < v \end{cases}$$

In the deterministic case, the $\text{Min}(u, v)$ and $\text{Max}(u, v)$ are smallest and largest zeros of

$$x \in \mathbb{R} \mapsto g(x; u, v) = -(x - u)(x - v)(x - w) \in \mathbb{R}, \quad w := \frac{u + v}{2}.$$

For **Newton-Raphson iterations** the zeros of g are determine through the sequence $\{x^n\}$

$$x^{n+1} = h(x^n) := x^n - \frac{g(x^n; u, v)}{g'(x^n, u, v)} = x^n + \frac{(x^n - u)(x^n - v)(x^n - w)}{3(x^n)^2 - 6wx^n + uv + uw + vw}.$$

Min and Max operators

In the stochastic case the sequence becomes

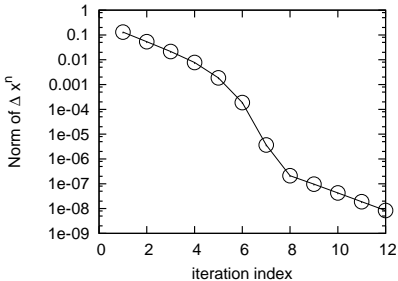
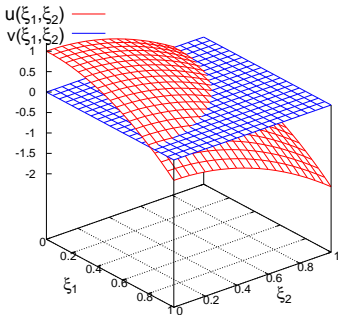
$$\begin{aligned} X^{n+1} &= X^n + \frac{(X^n - U)(X^n - V)(X^n - W)}{3(X^n)^2 - 6WX^n + UV + UW + VW} \\ &\approx X^n + (X^n - U) * (X^n - V) * (X^n - W) * \left(3(X^n)^{*2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - 6W * X^n + U * V + U * W + V * W \right)^{*{-1}}. \end{aligned}$$

The selection of the Max (resp. Min) is made from **appropriate selection of X^0** , through

$$X^0 = \alpha \sqrt{\|U\|_{P_{\Xi}}^2 + \|V\|_{P_{\Xi}}^2},$$

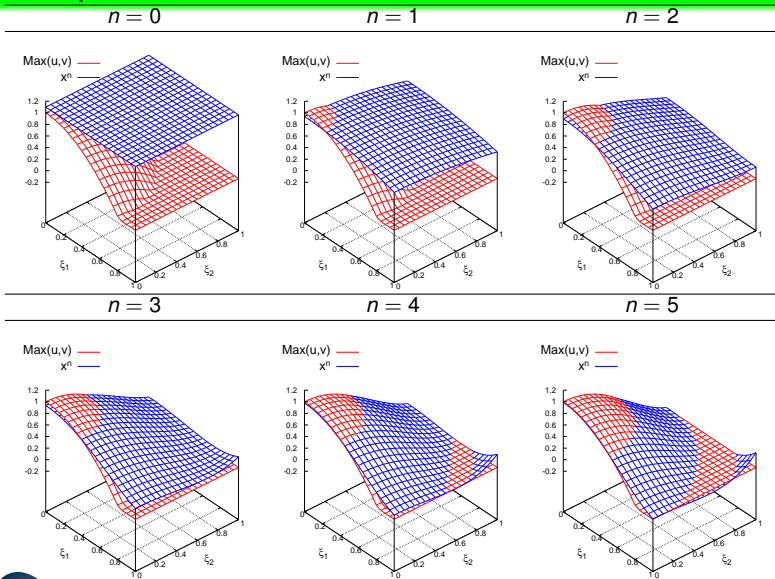
for some $\alpha > 1$ (resp. $\alpha < -1$).

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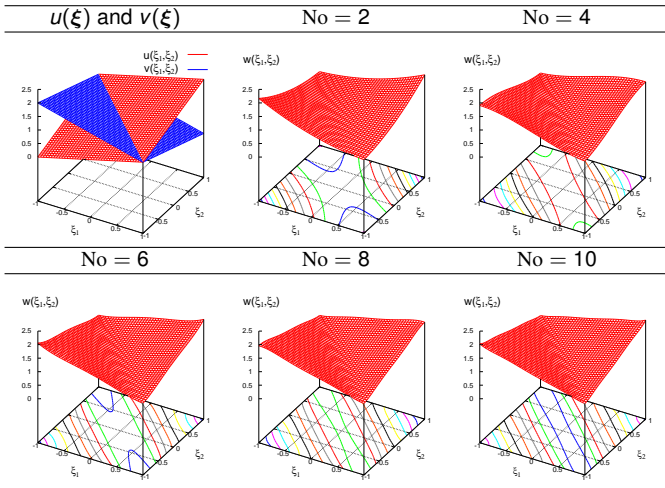


Left: $U(\xi_1, \xi_2)$ and $V(\xi_1, \xi_2)$ for which $\text{Max}(U, V)$ is sought. Only a portion of the stochastic domain Ξ is shown for clarity. Right: convergence of the sequence $\{X^n\}$ measured by the stochastic norm of $\Delta X^n = X^n - X^{n-1}$ approximating $\text{Max}(U, V)$.

Min and Max operators



Min and Max operators



Convergence with truncation order No of $W(\xi)$ approximating $Max(U, V)(\xi)$. The random variables $U(\xi)$ and $V(\xi)$ are linear in ξ_1 and ξ_2 as depicted in the top-left plot.

Other non-linearities

For sufficiently differentiable non-linearities one can rely on **Taylor series**

$$f(u) = f(\hat{u}) + (u - \hat{u})f'(\hat{u}) + \frac{(u - \hat{u})^2}{2}f''(\hat{u}) + \dots$$

In the stochastic case, it is common to expand the series about the mean u_0 of U , at which $f'(u_0)$, $f''(u_0)$, \dots can be evaluated.

Successive powers of $\delta U := U - u_0$ can be evaluated in a pseudo-spectral fashion

$$S \ni F(U) \approx f(u_0) + \delta U f'(u_0) + \frac{\delta U * \delta U}{2} f''(u_0) + \frac{\delta U * \delta U * \delta U}{6} f'''(u_0) + \dots$$

- **Convergence of the approximation** needs be carefully analyzed.
- Impact of the **pseudo spectral error** is critical.
- Radius of convergence often unknown.

Other non-linearities

Integration approach for differentiable non-linearities

[Debusschere et al, 2004]

If $f(\cdot)$ is analytical with derivative $f'(\cdot)$, f can be defined as some integral of f' along a deterministic integration path.

Let $Y(s, \xi)$ be a stochastic processes of $L^2(\Xi, P_\Xi)$, and consider $G(s, \xi) := f(Y)$:

$$Y = Y(s, \xi) = \sum_{k=0}^P y_k(s) \Psi_k(\xi), \quad G = G(s, \xi) = \sum_{k=0}^P g_k(s) \Psi_k(\xi).$$

Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{s_1}^{s_2} \frac{\partial G}{\partial s} ds &= \int_{s_1}^{s_2} G' \frac{\partial Y}{\partial s} ds \\ \sum_{k=0}^P \Psi_k \int_{s_1}^{s_2} \frac{dg_k}{ds} ds &= \sum_{k=0}^P \Psi_k [g_k(s_2) - g_k(s_1)] \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^P \sum_{j=0}^P \Psi_i \Psi_j \int_{s_1}^{s_2} g'_i(s) \frac{dy_j}{ds} ds. \end{aligned}$$

Other non-linearities

The integration path is set such that for all $k = 0, \dots, P$

$$Y(s_1, \xi) = \hat{U}, \quad Y(s_2, \xi) = U, \quad (1)$$

we obtain

$$F(U(\xi))_k = F(\hat{U})_k + \sum_{i=0}^P \sum_{j=0}^P C_{ijk} \int_{\hat{u}_j}^{u_j} f'_i dy_j, \quad \forall k = 0, \dots, P.$$

Provided that

- the PC expansion of $F(\hat{U})$ is known,
- the PC expansion of $F'(\cdot)$ is easily computed along the integration path,

the computation of $F(U)$ amounts to solve a set of coupled ODEs.

Questions & Discussion

