

Modeling Techniques and Numerical Solution Algorithms for Discrete Partial Differential Equations with Random Data

II. Solution Algorithms

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Diffusion Equation with Random Data

$$-\nabla \cdot (a \nabla u) = f \quad \text{in } \mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$$

$$u = g_D \text{ on } \partial \mathcal{D}_D, \quad (a \nabla u) \cdot n = 0 \text{ on } \partial \mathcal{D}_N = \partial \mathcal{D} \setminus \partial \mathcal{D}_D$$

Diffusion coefficient: truncated *Karhunen-Loève* expansion:

$$a(x, \omega) = a_0(x) + \sigma \sum_{r=1}^m \sqrt{\lambda_r} a_r(x) \xi_r(\omega)$$

$$a_0(x) = \mu(x) = E(a(x, \cdot)) \quad \text{mean}$$

$$\sigma(x) = E(a(x, \cdot)^2) - \mu^2 \quad \text{standard deviation}$$

$a_r(x), \lambda_r =$ eigenfunctions/eigenvalues of covariance operator

$$(Ca)(x) = \lambda a(x), \quad (Ca)(x) = \int_{\mathcal{D}} c(x, y) a(y) dy$$

Assumption: coercivity and boundedness $0 < \alpha_1 \leq a \leq \alpha_2 < \infty$

Stochastic Galerkin Method

Weak formulation

$$\int_{\Gamma} \int_{\mathcal{D}} a(x, \underline{\xi}) \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx \, \rho(\underline{\xi}) \, d\underline{\xi} = \int_{\Gamma} \int_{\mathcal{D}} f v \, dx \, \rho(\underline{\xi}) \, d\underline{\xi} \quad (*)$$

Finite dimensional spaces:

- spatial discretization: $S_h \subset H_0^1(\mathcal{D})$, spanned by $\{\varphi_j\}_{j=1}^{N_x}$
for example: piecewise linear on triangles
- stochastic discretization: $T_p \subset L^2(\Gamma)$, spanned by $\{\psi_l\}_{l=1}^{N_\xi}$
determined by m-variate tensor product polynomials
whose components are orthogonal wrt density measure

Discrete weak formulation: Find $u_{hp} \in S_h \otimes T_p$ such that (*) holds for all $v_{hp} \in S_h \otimes T_p$

$$u_{hp} = \sum_{j=1}^{N_x} \sum_{l=1}^{N_\xi} u_{jl} \varphi_j(x) \psi_l(\xi)$$

Matrix Equation $Au=f$

$$a(x, \xi(\omega)) = a_0(x) + \sigma \sum_{r=1}^m \sqrt{\lambda_r} a_r(x) \xi_r(\omega)$$

$$A = G_0 \otimes A_0 + \sum_{r=1}^m G_r \otimes A_r$$

$$[A_0]_{jk} = \int_{\mathcal{D}} a_0(x) \nabla \varphi_j(x) \cdot \nabla \varphi_k(x) dx$$

$$[A_r]_{jk} = \sqrt{\lambda_r} \int_{\mathcal{D}} \sigma(x) a_r(x) \nabla \varphi_j(x) \cdot \nabla \varphi_k(x) dx$$

$$[G_0]_{lq} = \langle \psi_l, \psi_q \rangle, \quad [G_r]_{lq} = \langle \xi_r \psi_l, \psi_q \rangle$$

$$[f]_{kq} = \int_{\Gamma} \int_{\mathcal{D}} f(x, \xi) \varphi_k(x) \psi_q(\xi) dx \rho(\xi) d\xi$$

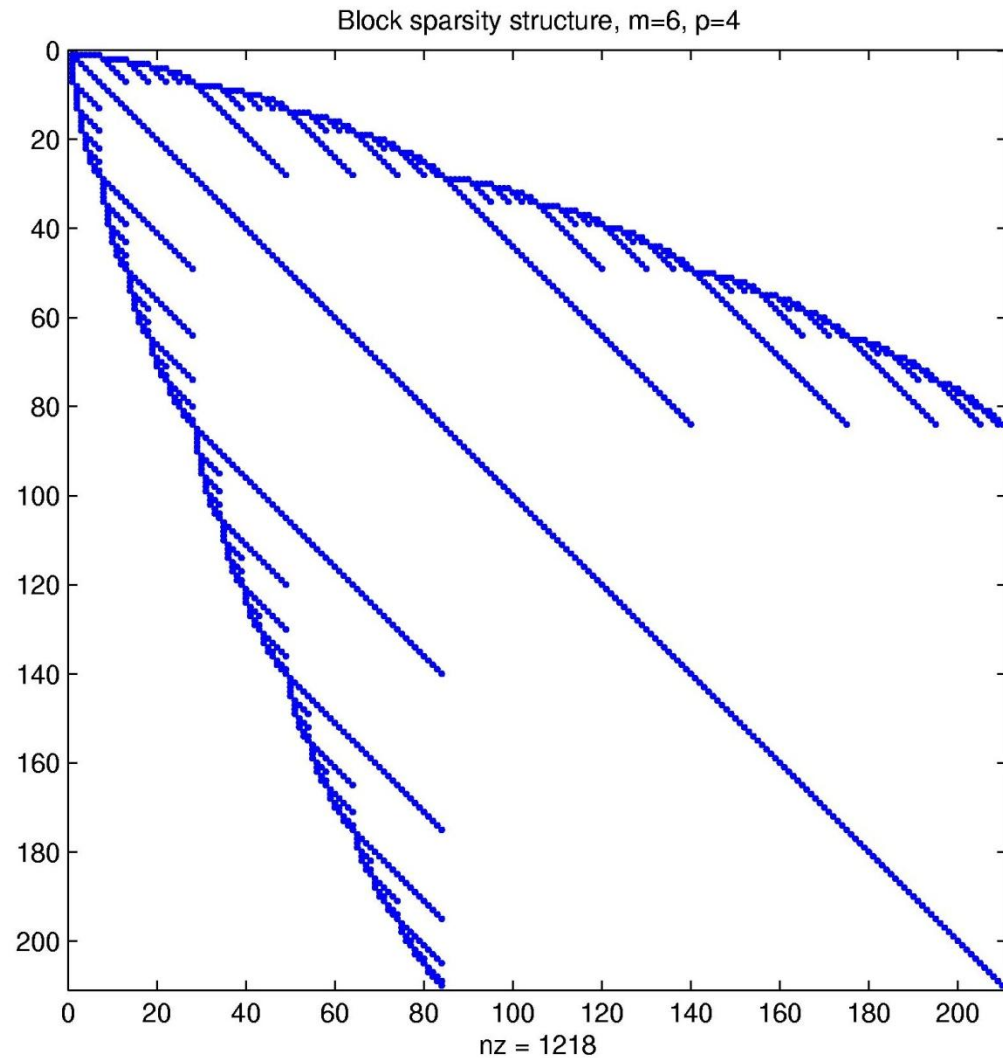
Properties of A :

- order = $N_x \times N_\xi$ = (size of spatial basis) \times (size of stochastic basis)
- sparsity: inherited from that of $\{G_r\}$ and $\{A_r\}$

Example of Sparsity Pattern

For m -variate
polynomials of
total degree p :

$$\begin{aligned} N_{\xi} &= \frac{(m+p)!}{m!p!} \\ &= \frac{10!}{6!4!} \\ &= 210 \end{aligned}$$



Multigrid Solution of Matrix Equation I (E. & Furnival)

Solving $Au=f$

$$\mathbf{A} = G_0 \otimes \mathbf{A}_0 + \sum_{r=1}^m G_r \otimes \mathbf{A}_r$$

$$[A_r]_{jk} = \sqrt{\lambda_r} \sigma \int_D a_r(x) \nabla \varphi_j(x) \cdot \nabla \varphi_k(x) dx,$$

$$[G_r]_{lq} = \int_{\Omega} \psi_l(\xi) \psi_q(\xi) \xi_r \rho(\xi) d\xi$$

$A_r = A_r^{(h)}$, $A = A^{(h)}$, spatial discretization parameter h

$A_r = A_r^{(2h)}$, $A = A^{(2h)}$, spatial discretization parameter $2h$

Develop MG algorithm for spatial component of the problem

Multigrid algorithm (two-grid)

Let $A^{(h)} = Q - N$, $Q =$ smoothing operator

for $i=0, 1, \dots$

for $j=1:k$

k smoothing steps

$$u^{(h)} \leftarrow (I - Q^{-1}A^{(h)})u^{(h)} + Q^{-1}f^{(h)}$$

end

$$r^{(2h)} = \mathcal{R}(f^{(h)} - A^{(h)}u^{(h)})$$

Restriction

$$\text{Solve } A^{(2h)}c^{(2h)} = r^{(2h)}$$

Coarse grid correction

$$u^{(h)} \leftarrow u^{(h)} + \mathcal{P}c^{(2h)}$$

Prolongation

end

Prolongation and restriction:

$\mathcal{P} = I \otimes P$, induced by natural inclusion in spatial domain

$$\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{P}^T = I \otimes R, \quad R = P^T$$

Convergence analysis: use “standard” approach

Error propagation matrix:

$$e^{(i+1)} = [(A^{(h)})^{-1} - \mathcal{P}(A^{(2h)})^{-1}\mathcal{R}] [A^{(h)}(I - Q^{-1}A^{(h)})^k] e^{(i)}$$

Establish *approximation property*

$$\left\| [(A^{(h)})^{-1} - \mathcal{P}(A^{(2h)})^{-1}\mathcal{R}] y \right\|_{A^{(h)}} \leq C \|y\|_2 \quad \forall y$$

and *smoothing property*

$$\left\| [A^{(h)}(I - Q^{-1}A^{(h)})^k] y \right\|_2 \leq \eta(k) \|y\|_{A^{(h)}} \quad \forall y, \quad \eta(k) \xrightarrow{k \text{ increases}} 0$$

Analysis is:

$$\begin{aligned} \|e^{(i+1)}\|_{A^{(h)}} &\leq \|(A^{(h)})^{-1} - \mathcal{P}(A^{(2h)})^{-1}\mathcal{R}\| [A^{(h)}(I - Q^{-1}A^{(h)})^k] e^{(i)} \|_{A^{(h)}} \\ &\leq C \| [A^{(h)}(I - Q^{-1}A^{(h)})^k] e^{(i)} \|_2 \\ &\leq C \eta(k) \|e^{(i)}\|_{A^{(h)}} \end{aligned}$$

Convergence analysis: smoothing property

Assumption of boundedness $0 < \alpha_1 \leq a \leq \alpha_2 < \infty \implies$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(A^{(h)} \underline{v}, \underline{v})}{(\underline{v}, \underline{v})} &= \frac{\iint_{\Gamma, \mathcal{D}} a(x, \underline{\xi}) \nabla v_{hp} \cdot \nabla v_{hp} dx \rho(\underline{\xi}) d\underline{\xi}}{\iint_{\Gamma, \mathcal{D}} v_{hp}^2 dx \rho(\underline{\xi}) d\underline{\xi}} \\ &\leq \alpha_2 \frac{\iint_{\Gamma, \mathcal{D}} \nabla v_{hp} \cdot \nabla v_{hp} dx \rho(\underline{\xi}) d\underline{\xi}}{\iint_{\Gamma, \mathcal{D}} v_{hp}^2 dx \rho(\underline{\xi}) d\underline{\xi}} \leq \alpha_2 c \end{aligned}$$

Thus, maximum eigenvalue of $A^{(h)}$ is bounded

For smoothing property (Braess):

$Q = \theta I$ (Richardson iteration) works with $\theta \geq \max(\lambda(A^{(h)}))$

In experiments described below:

we use *damped Jacobi*, $Q = \text{diag}(A)/\omega$

Approximation property

“Standard” MG analysis for deterministic problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \left[(A^{(h)})^{-1} - \mathcal{P}(A^{(2h)})^{-1} \mathcal{R} \right] y \right\|_{A^{(h)}} &= \left\| u^{(h)} - u^{(2h)} \right\|_{A^{(h)}} \\ &= \left\| u_h - u_{2h} \right\|_a \quad (= a(u_h - u_{2h}, u_h - u_{2h})^{1/2}) \\ &\leq \left\| u_h - u \right\|_a + \left\| u - u_{2h} \right\|_a \\ \text{Approximability} &\leq \sqrt{\alpha_2} \left(Ch \left\| D^2 u \right\|_{L^2(\mathcal{D})} + C2h \left\| D^2 u \right\|_{L^2(\mathcal{D})} \right) \\ \text{Regularity} &\leq Ch \left\| f \right\|_{L^2(\mathcal{D})} \\ \text{Property of mass} &\leq C \left\| y \right\|_2 \\ \text{matrix} & \end{aligned}$$

For approximation property in stochastic case

Introduce *semi-discrete* space $H_0^1(\mathcal{D}) \otimes T_p$ Discrete stochastic space

Weak formulation

$$a(u_p, v_p) = \ell(v_p) \quad \text{for all } v_p \in H_0^1(\mathcal{D}) \otimes T_p$$

Solution u_p

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| [(A^{(h)})^{-1} - \mathcal{P}(A^{(2h)})^{-1} \mathcal{R}] y \right\|_{A^{(h)}} &= \left\| u_{hp} - u_{2h,p} \right\|_a \\ &\leq \left\| u_h - u_p \right\|_a + \left\| u_p - u_{2h} \right\|_a \end{aligned}$$

Approximation (in 2D):

$$\left\| u_p - u_{hp} \right\|_a \leq Ch \left\| D^2 u_p \right\|_{L^2(\mathcal{D}) \otimes L^2(\Gamma)}$$

Established using best approximation property of u_{hp}
and interpolant $\tilde{u}_p(x_j, \xi) = u_p(x_j, \xi) \quad \forall \xi$

Similarly for other steps used for deterministic analysis

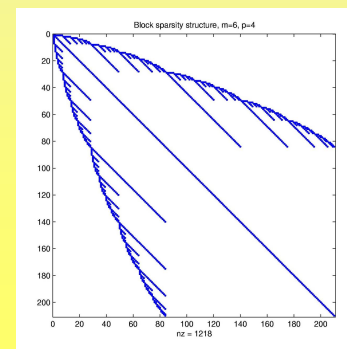
Comments

- Establishes convergence of multigrid with rate independent of spatial discretization size h
- No dependence on stochastic parameters m, p
- Applies to any basis of stochastic space

For polynomial chaos $N_{\xi} = \frac{(m+p)!}{m!p!}$ degrees of freedom

- N.B. Coarse grid solve is with matrix (at least) this large

This is a topic of ongoing study
(E. & Ullmann)



Experimental results

Problem:

$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla \cdot (a \nabla u) &= f && \text{in } D \times \Omega, && D = (-1,1)^2 \\ u &= 0 && \text{on } \partial D \times \Omega \end{aligned}$$

a derived from an exponential covariance function

Tested both uniform and normal distributions with orthogonal basis (multidimensional Legendre / Hermite polynomials)

Multigrid scheme:

V-cycle

Damped Jacobi smoother, damping parameter $2/3$

2 times 2 coarsest grid

3 presmoothing, 3 postsmoothing steps

Stop when relative residual $\leq 1.d-6$

Iteration counts / normal distribution

terms (m) in KL-expansion

$h=1/16$

Polynomial
degree

	m=1	m=2	m=3	m=4
p=1	8	8	8	8
p=2	8	8	8	8
p=3	9	9	9	9
p=4	9	10	10	10

$h=1/32$

Polynomial
degree

	m=1	m=2	m=3	m=4
p=1	7	7	8	8
p=2	8	8	8	8
p=3	8	8	9	9
p=4	9	9	9	9

Multigrid Solution of Matrix Equation II

Solving $Au=f$

$$A = G_0 \otimes A_0 + \sum_{r=1}^m G_r \otimes A_r$$

$$[A_r]_{jk} = \sqrt{\lambda_r} \sigma \int_{\mathcal{D}} a_r(x) \nabla \varphi_j(x) \cdot \nabla \varphi_k(x) dx,$$

$$[G_r]_{lq} = \int_{\Omega} \psi_l(\xi) \psi_q(\xi) \xi_r \rho(\xi) d\xi$$

Preconditioner for use with CG: $Q = G_0 \otimes A_0$ (Kruger, Pellisetti, Ghanem)

$$A_0 \sim \int_{\mathcal{D}} a_0(x) \nabla \varphi_j(x) \cdot \nabla \varphi_k(x) dx \quad \text{Deterministic diffusion, from mean}$$

$$G_0 = I$$

Analysis (Powell & E.)

Recall $a(x, \omega) = a_0(x) + \sigma \sum_{r=1}^m \sqrt{\lambda_r} a_r(x) \xi_r(\omega)$

$$\longrightarrow \quad A = G_0 \otimes A_0 + \sum_{r=1}^m G_r \otimes A_r$$
$$Q = G_0 \otimes A_0$$

Theorem : For μ constant, the Rayleigh quotient satisfies

$$1 - \tau \leq \frac{(w, Aw)}{(w, Qw)} \leq 1 + \tau$$

$$\tau = (\sigma/\mu) c(p) \sum_{r=1}^m \sqrt{\lambda_r} \|a_r\|_{\infty}$$

Consequence: $\kappa \leq \frac{1+\tau}{1-\tau}$ dictates convergence of PCG

Sketch of proof $\tau = \underline{(\sigma / \mu) c(p)} \sum_{r=1}^m \underline{\sqrt{\lambda_r} \| a_r \|_\infty}$

$$A = G_0 \otimes A_0 + \sum_{r=1}^m G_r \otimes A_r$$

In spatial domain:

$$\begin{aligned} (\varphi, A_r \varphi) &\sim \sigma \sqrt{\lambda_r} \int_{\mathcal{D}} a_r(x) \nabla \varphi(x) \cdot \nabla \varphi(x) dx \\ &\leq \sigma \sqrt{\lambda_r} \| a_r \|_\infty \int_{\mathcal{D}} \nabla \varphi(x) \cdot \nabla \varphi(x) dx \\ &= \underline{(\sigma / \mu) \sqrt{\lambda_r} \| a_r \|_\infty} (\varphi, A_0 \varphi) \end{aligned}$$

Sketch of proof $\tau = (\sigma/\mu) \underline{c(p)} \sum_{r=1}^m \sqrt{\lambda_r} \|a_r\|_\infty$

$$A = G_0 \otimes A_0 + \sum_{r=1}^m G_r \otimes A_r$$

In stochastic space:

$$(\psi, G_r \psi) \sim \int \xi_r \psi(\xi) \psi(\xi) \rho(\xi) d\xi$$

G_r derives from basis of multivariate polynomials of total degree p , orthogonal wrt probability measure $\rho(\xi) d\xi$

Consequence:

- three-term recurrence handles $\xi_r \psi(\xi)$
- maximum eigenvalue is largest root of scalar orthogonal polynomial
- $\sim \sqrt{p}$ for Gaussian measure (Hermite polynomials)
- ~ 1 for uniform measure (Legendre polynomials)

Example of Eigenvalues & Bounds of Preconditioned Operator

$h=1/8$
 $\sigma=.01$

m (#KL)	p	min λ	min bound	max λ	max bound
1	1	.92	.92	1.08	1.08
	2	.85	.85	1.15	1.15
	3	.80	.80	1.20	1.20
	4	.76	.76	1.24	1.24
2	1	.91	.90	1.09	1.10
	2	.85	.77	1.15	1.23
	3	.80	.70	1.20	1.30
	4	.75	.63	1.25	1.37
3	1	.91	.89	1.09	1.11
	2	.85	.70	1.15	1.30
	3	.79	.59	1.21	1.41
	4	.74	.50	1.26	1.50

Multigrid Variant of this Idea

Replace action of A_0^{-1} with multigrid \longrightarrow preconditioner

$$Q_{MG} = G_0 \otimes A_{0,MG} \quad (\text{Le Maitre, et al.})$$

Analysis:
$$\frac{(w, Aw)}{(w, Q_{MG} w)} = \frac{(w, Aw)}{(w, Qw)} \underbrace{\frac{(w, Qw)}{(w, Q_{MG} w)}}_{\in [\beta_1, \beta_2]}$$

Spectral equivalence
of MG approximation
to diffusion operator

$$\implies \kappa \leq \frac{(1+\tau) \beta_2}{(1-\tau) \beta_1}$$

Crimes and misdemeanors

For coercivity in $-\nabla \cdot (a \nabla u) = f$ require $0 < a_1 \leq a \leq a_2 < \infty$

For either problem definition:

if distribution of a is Gaussian, then a is unbounded

Example: eigenvalues of A and $Q^{-1}A$ (method II)

$h=1/8$

$m=2$

$\sigma=.3$

p	min $\lambda(A)$	max $\lambda(A)$	min $\lambda(A/Q)$	max $\lambda(A/Q)$
4	.11	6.51	.25	1.75
5	.07	6.95	.13	1.87
6	.03	7.35	.02	1.98
7	-.27	7.71	-.09	2.09
8	-.60	8.06	-.18	2.18

Experiment

Starting with a with specified covariance and small σ ($=.01$):

Compare Monte-Carlo simulation with SFEM, for

$$-\nabla \cdot (a \nabla u) = f$$

N.B.: No negative samples of diffusion obtained in MC

		# Samples s			
Max	SFEM	100	1000	10,000	40,000
Mean	.06311	.06361	.06330	.06313	.06313
Variance	2.360(-5)	2.161(-5)	2.407(-5)	2.258(-5)	2.316(-5)

Solve one system
of order 210×225

Solve s systems of size 225

Return to crimes and misdemeanors

For coercivity in $-\nabla \cdot (a \nabla u) = f$ require $0 < \alpha_1 \leq a \leq \alpha_2 < \infty$


Fix: use a different distribution, e.g. uniform

Difficulty: recall

$$a(x, \omega) = a_0(x) + \sigma \sum_{r=1}^m \sqrt{\lambda_r} a_r(x) \xi_r(\omega)$$

$$\langle a(u, v) \rangle = \int_{\Omega} \int_{\mathcal{D}} a \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx \, dP(\omega) = \int_{\Gamma} \int_{\mathcal{D}} a(x, \underline{\xi}) \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx \, \rho(\underline{\xi}) \, d\underline{\xi}$$

Require joint density function associated with $\underline{\xi}$



Except for Gaussian distribution $\{\xi_r\}$ are not independent

$$\rho(\underline{\xi}) \neq \underbrace{\rho_1(\xi_1) \cdots \rho_m(\xi_m)}$$

In common use

Alternative Fixes

Enforce coercivity by requiring $a(x, \omega)$ to come from a *truncated Gaussian* distribution: omit tails so that

$$0 < \alpha_1 \leq a \leq \alpha_2 < \infty$$

$$\langle a(u, v) \rangle = \int_{\Omega} \int_{\mathcal{D}} a \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx \, dP(\omega) = \int_{\Gamma} \int_{\mathcal{D}} a(x, \underline{\xi}) \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx \, \rho(\underline{\xi}) \, d\underline{\xi}$$

Still have $\rho(\underline{\xi}) \neq \rho_1(\xi_1) \cdots \rho_m(\xi_m)$

but (perhaps) less of a crime

Note: can work with such a distribution even though orthogonal polynomials are not known (Gautschi code); Rys polynomials

Comparison of Galerkin and Collocation

Recall from last talk:

Stochastic Collocation, alternative to method discussed so far

Discrete solution $u_{hp}(x, \underline{\xi}) = \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\xi}} u_h^{(k)}(x) L_k(\underline{\xi})$

Obtained by solving

$$\int_{\mathcal{D}} (a_0(x) + \sigma \sum_{r=1}^m \sqrt{\lambda_r} a_r(x) \xi_r) \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx = \int_{\mathcal{D}} f v \, dx$$

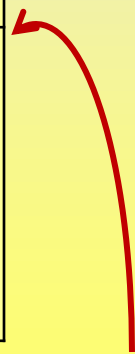
For set of samples $\{\underline{\xi}^{(k)}\}$ situated in a sparse grid

Advantage of this approach: simpler (decoupled) systems

Disadvantage: larger stochastic space for comparable accuracy
larger by factor approximately 2^P

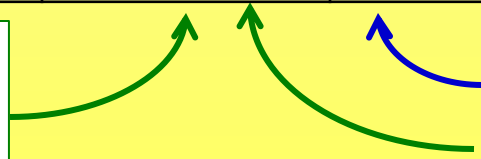
Dimensions of Stochastic Space

m (#KL)	p	Galerkin	Collocation Sparse	Collocation Tensor
4	1	5	9	16
	2	15	41	81
	3	35	137	256
	4	70	401	625
10	1	11	21	1024
	2	66	221	59,049
	3	286	1582	1,048,576
	4	1001	8,801	9,765,625
30	1	31	61	1.07(9)
	2	496	1861	2.06(14)
	3	5456	37,941	1.15(18)
	4	46,376	582,801	9.31(20)



~ size of coarse grid space
for MG / Version 1

systems for collocation
MG / Version II



Experiment

(E., Miller, Phipps, Tuminaro)

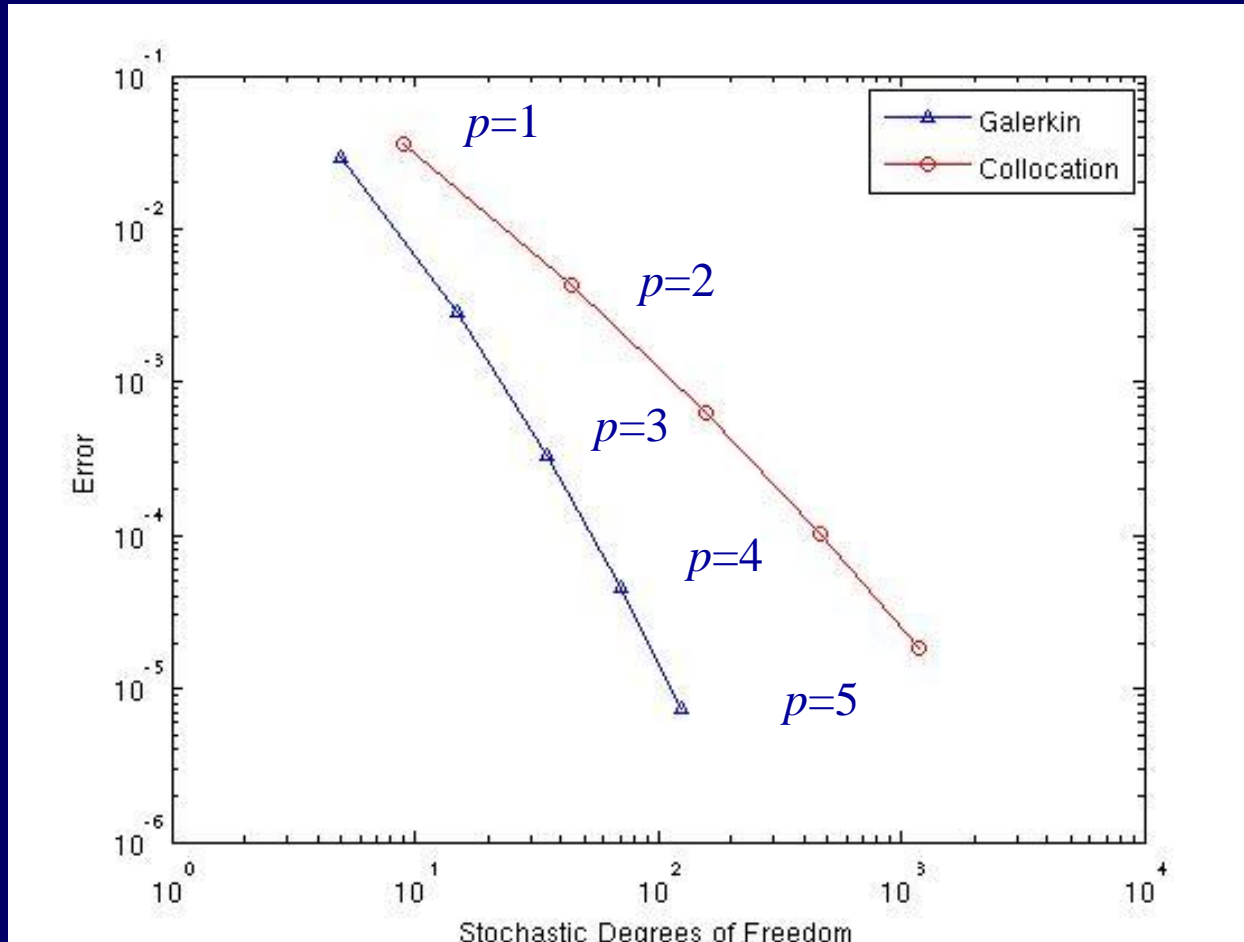
- Solve the stochastic diffusion equation by both methods
- Compare the accuracy achieved for different parameter sets¹
- For parameter choices giving comparable accuracy, compare solution costs
- Spatial discretization fixed (32x32 finite difference grid)

Solution algorithm for both discretizations:

Preconditioned conjugate gradient with mean-based preconditioning, using AMG for the approximate diffusion solve

¹Estimated using a high-degree ($p=10$) Galerkin solution.

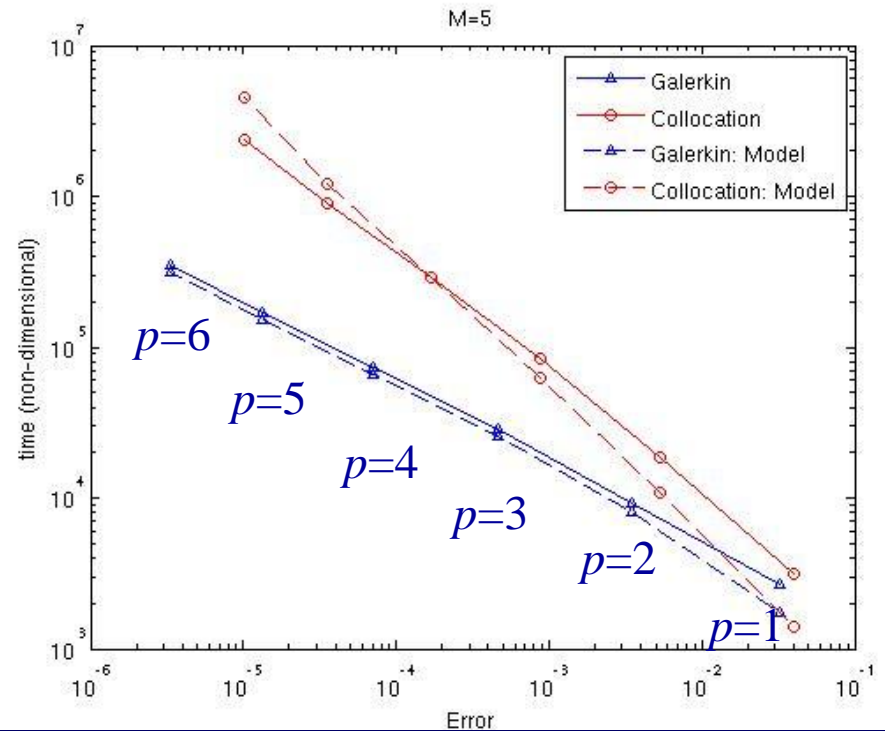
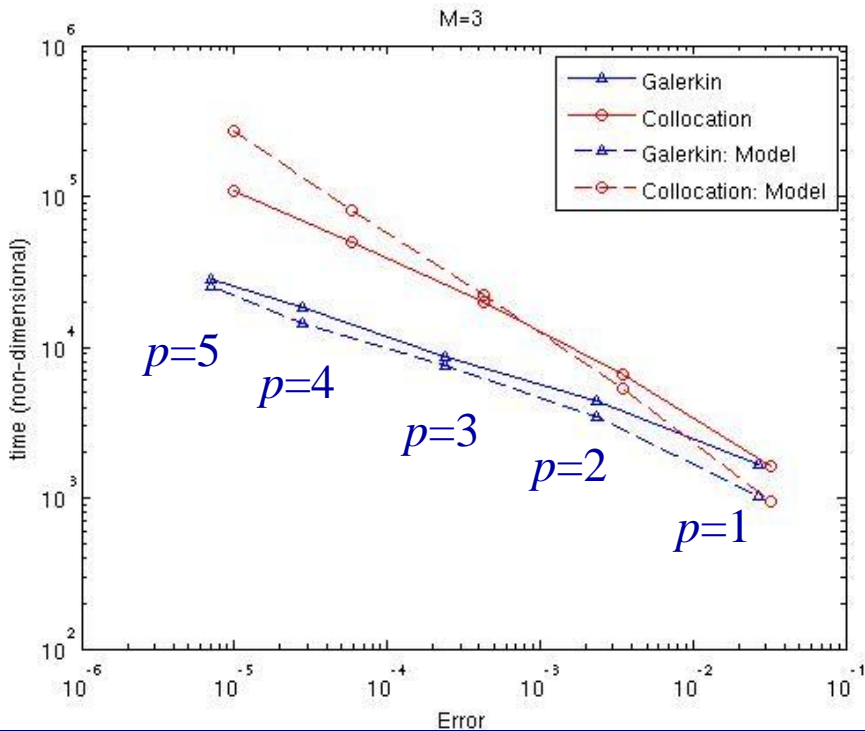
Experimental results: accuracy



For fixed $m=4$:

Similar $p = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{polynomial degree for SG} \\ \text{"level" for collocation} \end{array} \right\}$ produces comparable errors

Experimental results: performance



Performed on a serial machine with C-code and CG/AMG code from Trilinos

Observation: Galerkin faster, more so as number of stochastic variables (KL terms) grows

More General Problems

For the problem discussed, based on a KL expansion, has a *linear* dependence on the stochastic variable ξ

Other models have *nonlinear* dependence. For example

$$a(x, \xi) = a_{\min} + \underbrace{e^{c(x, \xi)}}_{\text{Nonlinear}}$$

$$c(x, \xi) = a_0(x) + \sigma \sum_{r=1}^m \sqrt{\lambda_r} a_r(x) \xi_r$$

For Gaussian c , called a *log-normal* distribution

In particular: coercivity is guaranteed with this choice

More General Problems

For stochastic Galerkin, need a finite term *expansion* for a

$$a(x, \underline{\xi}) = a_0(x) + \sigma \sum_{r=1}^M \sqrt{\lambda_r} a_r(x) \psi_r(\underline{\xi})$$

Note: not ξ_r

→ matrix

$$A = G_0 \otimes A_0 + \sum_{r=1}^M G_r \otimes A_r$$

$$[G_r]_{ij} = \langle \psi_r \psi_i \psi_j \rangle \quad \text{Less sparse}$$

More importantly: # terms M will be larger
perhaps as large as $2N_\xi$

⇒ mvp will be more expensive

In contrast

Collocation is less dependent on this expansion

$A^{(k)}$ comes from $\int_{\mathcal{D}} a(x, \underline{\xi}^{(k)}) \nabla u \cdot \nabla v dx$ for each
sparse grid point $\underline{\xi}^{(k)}$

Many matrices to assemble, but mvp is not a difficulty

Concluding remarks

- Exciting new developments models of PDEs with uncertain coefficients
- Replace pure simulation (Monte Carlo) with finite-dimensional models that simulate sampling at potentially lower cost
- Two techniques, the *stochastic Galerkin* method and the *stochastic collocation* method, were presented, each with some advantages
- Solution algorithms are available for both methods, and work continues in this direction