

Part 1: Stochastic Galerkin Finite Element Approximation for Forward UQ in PDE Models

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Also known as ‘intrusive’ **polynomial chaos** methods:

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References: Ghanem & Spanos (1991), Deb, Babuška & Oden (2001), Babuška, Tempone, Zouraris (2004), Frauenfelder, Schwab & Todor (2005), Matthies & Keese (2005), ...

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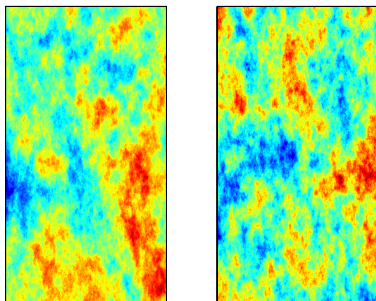
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If we are **uncertain** about $a(\mathbf{x})$, we model it as a **random field**

$$a(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\xi}), \quad \boldsymbol{\xi} = [\xi_1, \dots, \xi_M]^\top$$

where ξ_i have an 'appropriate' probability distribution.



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- ③ **Linear System:** $Au = f$.

Properties of matrix A depend on **structure** of:

- PDE, **parameter-dependent input** $a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$, approximation space \hat{V}

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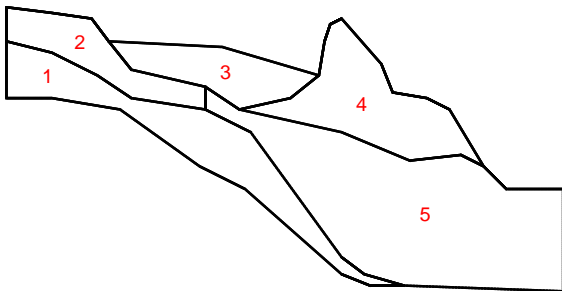
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System matrix then has the form

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- ▷ K_0, K_m are FEM matrices, G_0, G_m are associated with \mathcal{P} .
- ▷ M is no. of parameters **activated** via choice of \mathcal{P} .

Example: Piecewise Constant Coefficients



Diffusion coefficient defined **piecewise** (on subdomains):

$$a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sum_{i=1}^5 \mathbb{1}_i(\mathbf{x}) y_i, \quad \mathbf{x} \in D, \quad \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma,$$

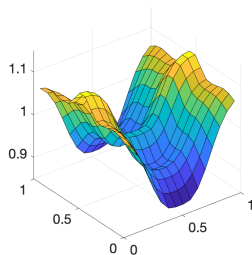
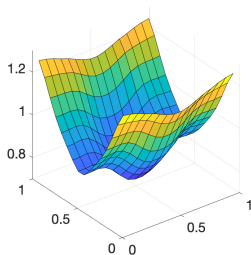
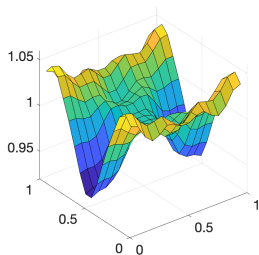
where $y_i \in \Gamma_i$ and $\Gamma := \Gamma_1 \times \Gamma_2 \times \cdots \times \Gamma_5$.

Example: Karhunen-Loève expansion

Second-order random fields $a(\mathbf{x}, \omega) \in L^2(\Omega, L^2(D))$ can be decomposed as

$$a(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\xi}(\omega)) = \underbrace{\mu(\mathbf{x})}_{\text{mean}} + \underbrace{\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sqrt{\lambda_m} \phi_m^a(\mathbf{x}) \xi_m(\omega)}_{\text{random part}}$$

- ▷ $(\lambda_m, \phi_m^a(\mathbf{x}))$ are **eigenvalues & eigenfunctions** associated with an integral operator associated with a **covariance function** $C(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')$.
- ▷ ξ_1, ξ_2, \dots are **uncorrelated** with mean zero and unit variance.



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Orthonormal basis: We choose the polynomials ψ_0, ψ_1, \dots so that

$$\mathbb{E}[\psi_\alpha(\mathbf{y})\psi_\beta(\mathbf{y})] = \delta_{\alpha,\beta}.$$

Examples: Legendre (Uniform), Hermite (Gaussian), ...

References: Xiu & Karniadakis (2002).

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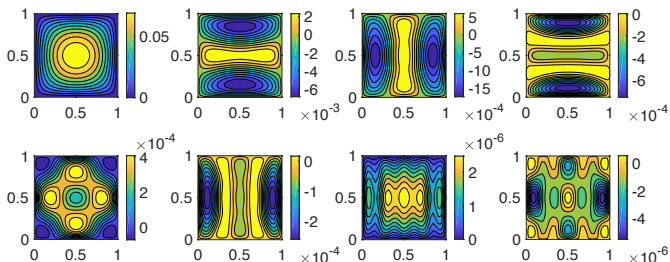
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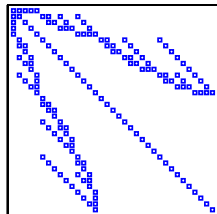
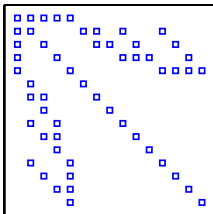
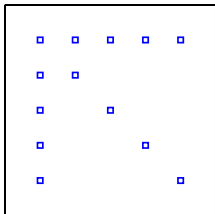
Toy Elliptic Problem: 8 spatial modes $u_\alpha(\mathbf{x})$



Block Structure (Stochastically Linear)

$$a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = a_0(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} a_m(\mathbf{x})y_m \Rightarrow \text{sparse } G_m \text{ matrices}$$

Block sparsity of A when \mathcal{P} is polynomials of **total degree** $\leq k = 1, 2, 3$.



Each \square is a matrix of the same size as the **deterministic FEM problem**.

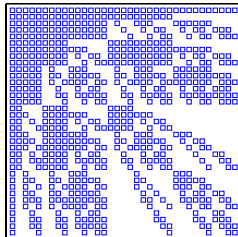
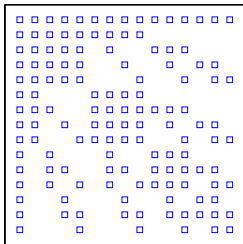
This sparsity can be exploited in the design of efficient iterative solvers.

Block Structure (Stochastically Nonlinear)

Contrast with ...

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A is **block dense** as polynomial degree k , and no. parameters M increase.



Cost of **matrix-vector products** then becomes more problematic.

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Key challenges:

- 1 Finding **preconditioners** P that are cheap and robust w.r.t
 - Discretization parameters: **FEM mesh size**, (+ possibly k and M)
 - **Statistical parameters**: e.g., σ (**standard deviation** of inputs)
 - Other **physical parameters** in the PDE model
- 2 Need enough **memory** to store vectors of length $n_X n_P$.

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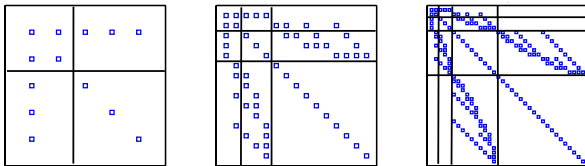
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Ullmann (2010), Van Loan & Pitsianis (1993).

- **Hierarchical**



Sousedik, Ghanem & Phipps (2014), Pultarová (2016).

'Mean-Based' Preconditioning: Toy Problem

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on $D = [-1, 1]^2$ where $y_m \sim U(-\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{3})$ and (λ_m, φ_m) are eigenpairs associated with covariance function

$$C(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \sigma^2 \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'\|_1\right).$$

PCG Iterations

n_X	k	n_P	$\frac{\sigma}{\mu} = 0.1$	$\frac{\sigma}{\mu} = 0.2$	$\frac{\sigma}{\mu} = 0.3$
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* **195 million equations.** Requires 24,024 **decoupled** PDE solves with K_0 .

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- **Solution fields:** \mathbf{u}, p (displacement, 'pressure')
- **Uncertain input:** Young modulus $E(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) := e_0(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} e_m(\mathbf{x}) y_m$
- **Physical parameters:** $\nu \in (0, 1/2)$ (**Poisson ratio**)

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in which E but **not** E^{-1} appears.

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The associated weak problem also has a **unique solution** that is bounded w.r.t $\|\cdot\|$ as the **Poisson ratio** $\nu \rightarrow 1/2$.

Reference: Khan, Powell., Silvester, **SIAM J. Comp. Sci.**, **41(1)**, (2019).

Stochastic Galerkin Matrix

We obtain a **symmetric** and **indefinite** coefficient matrix

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \alpha \sum_{m=0}^M G_m \otimes A_{11}^m & \alpha \sum_{m=0}^M G_m \otimes A_{12}^m & \mathbf{0} & G_0 \otimes B_1^\top \\ \alpha \sum_{m=0}^M G_m \otimes A_{21}^m & \alpha \sum_{m=0}^M G_m \otimes A_{22}^m & \mathbf{0} & G_0 \otimes B_2^\top \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \tilde{\lambda}^{-1} \sum_{m=0}^M G_m \otimes D_m & -\tilde{\lambda}^{-1} G_0 \otimes C \\ \hline G_0 \otimes B_1 & G_0 \otimes B_2 & -\tilde{\lambda}^{-1} G_0 \otimes C & \mathbf{0} \end{array} \right)$$

where α and $\tilde{\lambda}$ depend on the **Poisson ratio** ν .

Saddle Point Structure

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & B^\top \\ B & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}$$

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and \mathbf{C} is a pressure FEM mass matrix since it can be shown that

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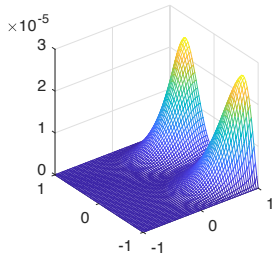
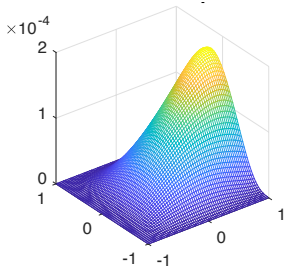
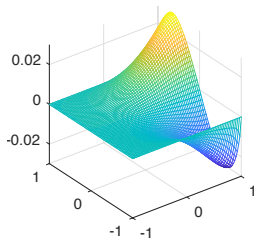
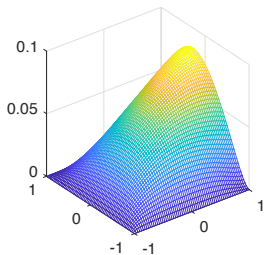
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Test Problem: Clamped Plate Problem

$\mathbb{E}[u_x]$ (top) and $\text{Var}[u_x]$ (bottom) for $\nu = .4$ (left), $\nu = 0.49999$ (right).



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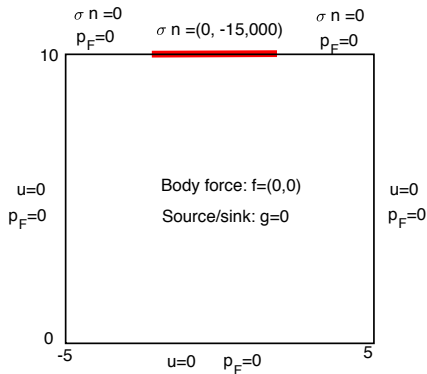
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 - **Multiple physical parameters:** ν , α , s_0
 - **Uncertain inputs:** Young modulus $E(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$, conductivity field $\kappa(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$.
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References: Lee, Mardal & Winther (2017), Oyarzúa & Ruiz-Baier (2016), Khan & P., (2021).

Example: Footing Problem

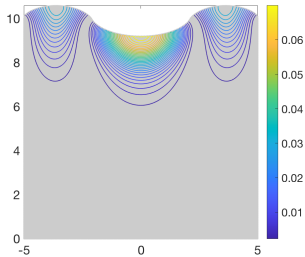
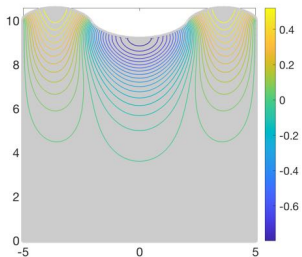


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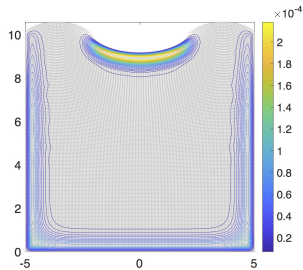
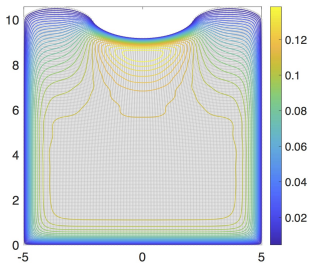
$$E = e_0 + e_1 y_1, \quad \kappa = \kappa_0 + \kappa_1 y_2, \quad y_1, y_2 \sim U(-1, 1)$$

where $e_0 = 3 \times 10^4$, $e_1 = 0.5 \times e_0$, and $\kappa_0 = 10^{-4}$, $\kappa_1 = 0.5 \times \kappa_0$.

Vertical displacement



Fluid Pressure



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For bounded random inputs, eigenvalue bounds independent of **physical parameters** and **SGFEM discretization** parameters.

Footing Problem: Preconditioned MINRES

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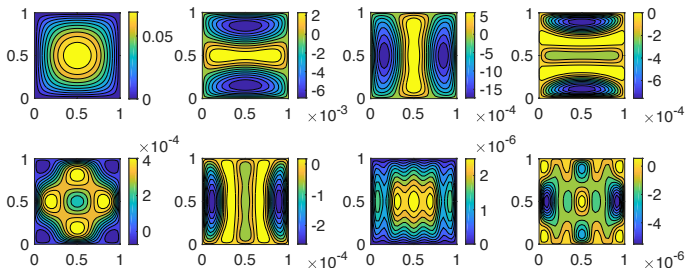
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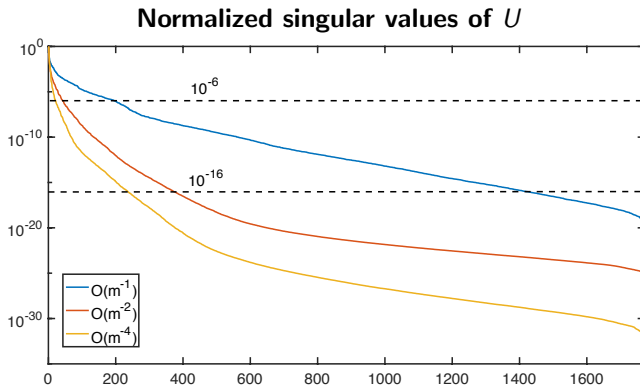


Example: Singular Values of Solution Matrix

$$-\nabla \cdot (a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \nabla u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})) = f(\mathbf{x}), \quad a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = a_0(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} a_m(\mathbf{x}) y_m$$

Three Cases: $\|a_m\|_{\infty} \sim O(m^{-1}), O(m^{-2}), O(m^{-4})$.

SGFEM discretisation: $n_X = 3,969$, $n_P = 1,771$.



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Various strategies for **alternating** between these two equations and **adaptively** constructing factors V_k and Y_k .

References: Anthony Nouy (2007, 2010), [...], Kookjin Lee (2022).

- SG methods can be used to build surrogates.
- For **stochastically linear** problems, highly efficient solvers can be designed if one is prepared to exploit structure.
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- **Low rank** structure often stems from naive choice of $\hat{V} = X \otimes \mathcal{P}$.

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