Numerical methods for high-dimensional problems: examples from materials science applications

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• Schrödinger equation: $\Psi(x_1, \ldots, x_d, t)$

$$i\hbar\partial_t\Psi=-rac{\hbar}{2m}\sum_{i=1}^d\Delta_{x_i}\Psi+V\Psi$$



Some high-dimensional problems in materials science: kinetic equations

• Boltzmann equation: $p(x_1, \ldots, x_d, v_1, \ldots, v_d, t)$

$$\partial_t \mathbf{p} + \sum_{i=1}^d \mathbf{v}_i \ \partial_{\mathbf{x}_i} \mathbf{p} + \sum_{i=1}^d F_i \ \partial_{\mathbf{v}_i} \mathbf{p} = H(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p})$$



Some high-dimensional problems in materials science: molecular dynamics

• Fokker-Planck equation: $p(x_1, \ldots, x_d, t)$

$$\partial_t \boldsymbol{\rho} + \sum_{i=1}^d \partial_{x_i}(a_i \boldsymbol{\rho}) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^d \partial_{x_i x_j}^2(b_{ij} \boldsymbol{\rho}) = 0.$$



Some high-dimensional problems in materials science: neutronics

• Parametrized equation: $u(\mu; x)$ $\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_p)$

$$\mathcal{A}(\mu; \mathbf{\underline{u}}(\mu; \cdot)) = f(\mu; \cdot)$$



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Standard discretization approaches (such as classical finite element methods) suffer from the so-called **curse of dimensionality** [Bellman, 1961]

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- k_μ < 1: the fission reaction is not the prevailing phenomenon, then the total mean number of neutrons tends towards zero along time; the reactor is said to be subcritical
- *k*_μ = 1: both creation and absorption of neutrons take as much place as the other inside the system;
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- $k_{\mu} > 1$: the fission dominates the absorption phenomenon, therefore a chain reaction phenomenon takes place inside the system, and the total mean number of neutrons increases at an exponential rate, the system then tends to collapse; the reactor is said to be supercritical

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Two-group Diffusion Equation

$$\begin{aligned} &-\nabla \cdot \left(D_{1,\mu} \nabla u_{1,\mu} \right) + \Sigma_{11,\mu} u_{1,\mu} + \Sigma_{12,\mu} u_{2,\mu} \\ &= \lambda_{\mu} \left[\chi_{1,\mu} \left((\nu \Sigma_{f})_{1,\mu} u_{1,\mu} + (\nu \Sigma_{f})_{2,\mu} u_{2,\mu} \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

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- $\Sigma_{ii} = \Sigma_{ti} \Sigma_{s,ii};$
- Σ_{ti}: total cross-section of group i;
- Σ_{s,ij}: scattering cross-section from group *i* to group *j*;
- $\Sigma_{ij} = -\Sigma_{s,ij};$
- $D_i = \frac{1}{3\Sigma_{ii}}$: diffusion coefficient of group *i*;
- Σ_{fi}: fission cross-section of group *i*;
- *ν_i*: average number of neutrons of groupd *i* emitted per fission;
- χ_i : fission spectrum of group *i*
Parameters of the problem

- $\mu \in \mathcal{P}$ represents the **physical** properties of the core and its configuration.
- The spatial domain of calculation Ω is split into a structured grid that defines K regions. On each region Ω_k, μ^k represents the set of material parameters inside the domain Ω_k, so that μ = (μ¹,...,μ^K) ∈ P.



Figure: Cross-sectional view of the BSS-11 nuclear core reactor

Motivation of model-order reduction methods

- For a particular value of $\mu \in \mathcal{P}$, a numerical approximation of the solution u_{μ} is computed by some numerical scheme (for instance with a finite element code), the resolution of which may be very costly from a computational point of view.
- There exist a wide variety of contexts in which it is necessary to perform **parametric studies** of the problem at hand, i.e. to compute (a numerical approximation of) the solution u_{μ} for a very large number of values of the parameter vector μ as quickly as possible!

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A few seminal references:

- Cohen, Dahmen, DeVore, Maday, Patera...
- Reduced Basis Methods for Partial Differential Equations: An Introduction, Alfio Quarteroni, Andrea Manzoni, Federico Negri
- Certified Reduced Basis Methods for Parametrized Partial Differential Equations, Jan S Hesthaven, Gianluigi Rozza, Benjamin Stamm

In this talk: **Reduced Basis method** for accelerating the resolution of parametrized **generalized non-symmetric eigenvalue problems**, with a view to accelerating parametric studies for criticity calculations.

Two-Group Diffusion Equation (discrete formulation)

- Discretization of the spatial domain Ω with *P*1 crossed-triangular **finite elements** over a rectangle mesh
- The solution u_μ is approximated by an element u_{μ,h} belonging to a finite-dimensional subspace V_h of dimension N_h (number of DoFs):
 V_h = Span{(φ_i)_{i=1,N_h}}

Weak formulation of the problem

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Generalized eigenvalue problem

- $A_{\mu,h} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_h \times N_h}$ is **non-symmetric** and invertible
- $B_{\mu,h} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_h \times N_h}$ is **non-symmetric**, not invertible and positive

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Galerkin approximation of the eigenvalue problem in V_N

Weak formulation of the reduced problem

Find $(u_{\mu,N}, u_{\mu,N}^*, k_{\mu,N}) \in V_N \times V_N \times \mathbb{R}^*_+$ such that $\forall v_N \in V_N, \quad a_{\mu,h}(u_{\mu,N}, v_N) = \frac{1}{k_{\mu,N}} b_{\mu,h}(u_{\mu,N}, v_N).$ Adjoint problem $\forall v_N \in V_N, \quad a_{\mu,h}(v_N, u_{\mu,N}^*) = \frac{1}{k_{\mu,N}} b_{\mu,h}(v_N, u_{\mu,N}^*).$

- In the online stage, for each new value of µ ∈ P, an atmost 2N-dimensional matrix eigenvalue problem is solved. When N ≪ N_h, the resolution of the reduced problem is much cheaper from a computational point of view than the resolution of the original high-fidelity problem!
- **Reduced basis**: Let $n := \dim V_N$ and $(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n)$ be an orthonormal basis of V_N . Denoting by

$$\Theta_N := (\theta_1 | \cdots | \theta_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{N_h \times n},$$

We define the $n \times n$ reduced matrices:

$$\begin{cases} A_{\mu,N} = \Theta_N^T A_{\mu,h} \Theta_N \\ B_{\mu,N} = \Theta_N^T B_{\mu,h} \Theta_N \end{cases}$$

Reduced problem

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How to build V_N ?

This is usually done via an iterative algorithm called a greedy algorithm.

Need to choose a finite subset $\mathcal{P}_{train} \subset \mathcal{P}$, called **training set**.

Naive Greedy algorithm

• Choose randomly $\mu_1 \in \mathcal{P}_{\text{train}}$.

$$V_1 = \text{Vect} \{ u_{\mu_1,h}, u_{\mu_1,h}^* \}$$

• Iteration *N*: Choose $\mu_N \in \mathcal{P}_{\text{train}}$ such that

 $\mu_{N} \in \operatorname*{argmax}_{\mu \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathrm{train}}} |k_{\mu,h} - k_{\mu,N-1}|$

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A naive version of the Greedy algorithm requires to evaluate $k_{\mu,h}$, for all $\mu \in \Lambda_{\text{train}}$ \rightarrow too expensive...

Practical algorithm:

Replace $e_{N-1}^{k}(\mu) := |k_{\mu,h} - k_{\mu,N-1}|$ by an easy-to-compute **a posteriori error** estimator $\Delta_{N-1}^{k}(\mu)$. Residuals:

with

$$R_{\mu,N} = (B_{\mu,h} - k_{\mu,N}A_{\mu,h}) u_{\mu,N}$$

$$R_{\mu,N}^* = \left(B_{\mu,h}^T - k_{\mu,N}A_{\mu,h}^T\right) u_{\mu,N}^*$$
(4)

Proposition. A posteriori error estimator

There exists a positive constant $C^k(\mu) > 0$ (called the **prefactor**) such that for all $\mu \in \mathcal{P}$,

$$e_{N}^{k}(\mu) = |k_{\mu,h} - k_{\mu,N}| \leqslant C^{k}(\mu) \frac{\|R_{\mu,N}\| \|R_{\mu,N}^{*}\|}{\langle c_{\mu,N}^{*}, A_{\mu,N} c_{\mu,N} \rangle} = C^{k}(\mu) \eta_{N}^{k}(\mu)$$
(5)
$$\ln \eta_{N}^{k}(\mu) := \frac{\|R_{\mu,N}\| \|R_{\mu,N}^{*}\|}{\langle c_{\mu,N}^{*}, A_{\mu,N} c_{\mu,N} \rangle}.$$

Practical a posteriori error estimator:

$$\Delta_{N}^{k}(\mu) = \overline{C}_{N}^{k} \frac{\|R_{\mu,N}\| \|R_{\mu,N}^{*}\|}{\langle c_{\mu,N}^{*}, A_{\mu,N} c_{\mu,N} \rangle} = \overline{C}_{N}^{k} \eta_{N}^{k}(\mu)$$

where \overline{C}_{N}^{k} is a heuristic estimation of the prefactor $C^{k}(\mu)$

Δ^k_N(μ) can be efficiently computed with complexity O(n²) if the data of the problem is separated.

Actual Greedy algorithm

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First toy test case: the MiniCore problem



- 25 spatial regions
- *L* = 107.52 *cm*
- UGD12: mix of uranium dioxyde and Galinium oxyde
- UO2: uranium dioxyde
- BC: $u_{\mu}(x) = 0$, $x \in \partial \Omega$
- $N_h = 2602$ DoFs per group
- $\bullet~$ Training set of parameters \mathcal{P}_{train} of cardinality 1000 generated randomly

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Reduced-order model obtained with N = 100





Convergence of the reduced basis : mean relative errors over \mathcal{P}_{test}

- $\mathcal{P}_{test} \subset \mathcal{P}$ with cardinality 50 (test set)
- $\mathcal{P}_{pref} \subset \mathcal{P}$ with cardinality 10 (prefactor set)



Parametric variability of the prefactor



Figure: Parametric variability of the prefactor

Gain in computational time



3D test case in APOLLO3 code (MINARET solver)



Figure: Cross-sectional views of the 3D core

- 9 spatial regions
- BC: $u_{\mu}(x) = 0$, $x \in \partial \Omega$
- *N_h* = 108800 DoFs per group
- Training set of parameters \mathcal{P}_{train} of cardinality 100 generated randomly
- Prefactor set \mathcal{P}_{pref} of cardinality 5
- Test set \mathcal{P}_{test} of cardinality 10

Convergence of the reduced basis approximation





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Conclusions:

- Example of linear approximation method dedicated to one specific application in a high-dimensional context: efficient reduced-order model for criticity calculations in neutronics using the reduced basis method
- Very encouraging results obtained on two-group diffusion models with the APOLLO3 code

To go beyond:

- What if the linear approximation spaces built by the greedy algorithms had not yielded accurate enough approximations?
- Current trend: combine linear and **nonlinear** approximation approaches.
- What if we are not in a parametric setting?



2 Tensors and neural networks

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• Low-rank tensors:

$$u(x_1,\ldots,x_d) \approx \sum_{k=1}^{R} r_k^{(1)}(x_1) r_k^{(2)}(x_2) \ldots r_k^{(d)}(x_d)$$

• Neural networks:

$$u(x_1,\ldots,x_d)=u(x)\approx\sigma\left(A_1\sigma(A_2(\ldots\sigma(A_Lx+b_L)\ldots)+b_2)+b_1\right)$$

where for all $1 \le i \le L$, A_i are matrices, b_i vectors and $\sigma : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ is called the activation function

• ...

For r^1, \ldots, r^d univariate functions,

$$r^1 \otimes \cdots \otimes r^d(x_1, \cdots, x_d) = r^1(x_1) \cdots r^d(x_d)$$

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Assume V is a Hilbert space.

Definition

A set $Z \subset V$ is called a dictionary of V if and only if it satisfies the three following conditions:

- (D1) The set Span Z is dense in V.
- (D2) For all $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ and $z \in Z$, $\lambda z \in Z$.
- (D3) Z is weakly closed in V.

Let $\mathcal{E}: V \to \mathbb{R}$ be a strongly convex differentiable functional so that $\nabla \mathcal{E}$ is Lipschitz on bounded sets.

 $u = \operatorname*{argmin}_{v \in V} \mathcal{E}(v)$

Pure Greedy algorithm:

1 set
$$u_0 = 0$$
 and $n = 1$;

2 find $z_n \in Z$ such that

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z_n \in \operatorname*{argmin}_{z \in \Sigma} \mathcal{E}\left(u_{n-1} + z\right).
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3 set $u_n = u_{n-1} + z_n$ and n = n + 1. Return to step 2.

Theorem

The iterations of the Pure Greedy algorithm are well-defined (i.e. there exists at least one minimizer $z_n \in Z$ to (11) for all $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ and z_n is non-zero if and only if $u_{n-1} \neq u$). Moreover, the sequence $(u_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*}$ strongly converges in V towards u.

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Galerkin method in the linear space spanned by the elements z_1, \ldots, z_n **A posteriori error estimators!**

Theoretical convergence results on greedy algorithms

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Convex minimization problems:

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Iinear bounded from below symmetric eigenvalue problems:

 $Au = \lambda u.$

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 $\forall v \in V, \quad a(u, v) = b(v).$

Parabolic evolution problems:

 $\partial_t u + A u = f.$

Schrödinger evolution problems:

 $i\partial_t u + Hu = f.$

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Applications of greedy algorithms in materials science

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