

# Sparse polynomial chaos expansions for solving high-dimensional UQ problems

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- Structural reliability analysis
- **Polynomial chaos expansions** and stochastic finite element methods
- Gaussian process modelling (Kriging)
- Bayesian model calibration and stochastic inverse problems
- **Global sensitivity analysis**
- Reliability-based design optimization



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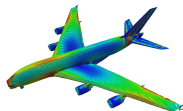
# Computational models

Complex engineering systems are designed using **computational models** that are based on:

- A **mathematical description** of the physics
- **Numerical algorithms** that solve the resulting set of (e.g. partial differential) equations, e.g. finite element models

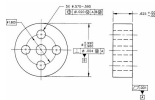
Computational models are used:

- Together with experimental data for **calibration** purposes
- To explore the design space (“**virtual prototypes**”)
- To **optimize** the system w.r.t cost constraints
- To assess its **robustness** w.r.t uncertainty and its **reliability**



# Sources of uncertainty

- Differences between the **designed** and the **real** system:
  - Dimensions (tolerances in manufacturing)
  - Material properties (e.g. variability of the stiffness or resistance)
- Unforecast **exposures**: exceptional service loads, natural hazards (earthquakes, floods), climate loads (hurricanes, snow storms, etc.)





# Uncertainty quantification in engineering and applied sciences

- Uncertainty quantification arrives on top of well defined simulation procedures (**legacy codes**)
- State-of-the-art computational models are complex: coupled problems (thermo-mechanics), plasticity, large strains, contact, buckling, etc.
- A **single** simulation is already costly (e.g. several hours)
- The input variables modelling aleatory uncertainty are often **non Gaussian**. The size of the input random vector is typically **10-100**

Need for **non intrusive** and **parsimonious** methods for uncertainty quantification

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# Polynomial chaos expansions in a nutshell

Ghanem & Spanos (1991); Xiu & Karniadakis (2002); Soize & Ghanem (2004)

- Consider the input random vector  $\mathbf{X}$  ( $\dim \mathbf{X} = M$ ) with given probability density function (PDF)  $f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^M f_{X_i}(x_i)$
- Assuming that the random output  $Y = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X})$  has finite variance, it can be cast as the following **polynomial chaos expansion**:

$$Y = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^M} y_{\alpha} \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{X})$$

where :

- $y_{\alpha}$  : **coefficients** to be computed (coordinates)
- $\Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{X})$  : **basis functions**
- The PCE basis  $\{\Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{X}), \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^M\}$  is made of **multivariate orthonormal polynomials**

# Multivariate polynomial basis

- **Univariate** orthogonal polynomials  $\{P_k^{(i)}, k \in \mathbb{N}\}$  are built for each input variable  $X_i$ :

$$\left\langle P_j^{(i)}(x_i), P_k^{(i)}(x_i) \right\rangle = \int P_j^{(i)} P_k^{(i)} f_{X_i}(x_i) dx_i = \gamma_j^{(i)} \delta_{jk}$$

- **Normalization:**

$$\Psi_j^{(i)} = P_j^{(i)} / \sqrt{\gamma_j^{(i)}} \quad i = 1, \dots, M, \quad j \in \mathbb{N}$$

- **Tensor product construction**

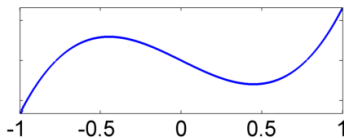
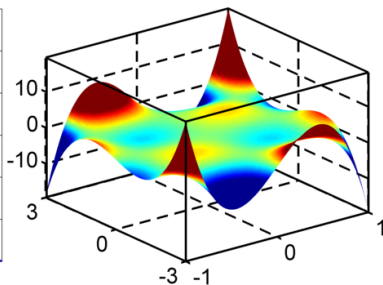
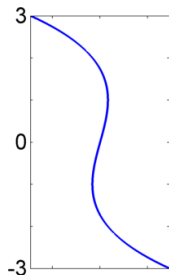
$$\Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \prod_{i=1}^M \Psi_{\alpha_i}^{(i)}(x_i) \quad \mathbb{E}[\Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{X})\Psi_{\beta}(\mathbf{X})] = \delta_{\alpha\beta}$$

Example:  $M = 2$ 

Xiu &amp; Karniadakis (2002)

$$\alpha = [3, 3]$$

$$\Psi_{(3,3)}(\mathbf{x}) = \tilde{P}_3(x_1) \cdot \tilde{H}e_3(x_2)$$



- $X_1 \sim \mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$ :  
Legendre polynomials
- $X_2 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ :  
Hermite polynomials

# Isoprobabilistic transform

- Classical orthogonal polynomials are defined for **reduced variables**, e.g. :
  - standard normal variables  $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$
  - standard uniform variables  $\mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$
- In practical UQ problems the physical parameters are modelled by random variables that are:
  - not necessarily reduced, e.g.  $X_1 \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma)$ ,  $X_2 \sim \mathcal{U}(a, b)$ , etc.
  - not necessarily from a classical family, e.g. **lognormal variable**

Need for isoprobabilistic transforms

# Isoprobabilistic transform

## Independent variables

- Given the marginal CDFs  $X_i \sim F_{X_i}$   $i = 1, \dots, M$
- A **one-to-one mapping** to reduced variables is used:

$$X_i = F_{X_i}^{-1} \left( \frac{\xi_i + 1}{2} \right) \quad \text{if } \xi_i \sim \mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$$

$$X_i = F_{X_i}^{-1} (\Phi(\xi_i)) \quad \text{if } \xi_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

- The best choice is dictated by the least non linear transform

## General case

Sklar's theorem (1959)

- The joint CDF is defined through its **marginals** and **copula**

$$F_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{C} (F_{X_1}(x_1), \dots, F_{X_M}(x_M))$$

- Rosenblatt or Nataf isoprobabilistic transform is used

# Truncation scheme

- For practical computation, a **truncated series** is defined:

$$Y = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} y_{\alpha} \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{X})$$

- The **classical truncation** scheme contains all multi-indices of total degree  $|\alpha| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{i=1}^M \alpha_i$  smaller than  $p$

$$\mathcal{A}^{M,p} = \{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^M : |\alpha| \leq p\} \quad \text{card } \mathcal{A}^{M,p} \equiv P = \binom{M+p}{p}$$

| $M \setminus p$ | 2     | 3                              | 5          | 7              | 10                 |
|-----------------|-------|--------------------------------|------------|----------------|--------------------|
| 2               | 6     | 10                             | 21         | 36             | 66                 |
| 3               | 10    | 20                             | 56         | 120            | 286                |
| 5               | 21    | 56                             | 252        | 792            | 3,003              |
| 10              | 66    | <b>Curse of dimensionality</b> |            |                | 184,756            |
| 50              | 1,326 |                                |            |                | 75,394,027,566     |
| 100             | 5,151 | 176,851                        | 96,560,646 | 26,075,972,546 | 46,897,636,623,981 |



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# Various methods for computing the coefficients

## Intrusive approaches

- Historical approaches: projection of the equations residuals in the Galerkin sense  
*Ghanem et al. ; Le Maître et al. , Babuska, Tempone et al. ; Karniadakis et al. , etc.*
- Proper generalized decompositions  
*Nouy et al. , 2007-10*

## Non intrusive approaches

- Non intrusive methods consider the computational model  $\mathcal{M}$  as a **black box**
- They rely upon a **design of numerical experiments**, *i.e.* a  $n$ -sample  $\mathcal{X} = \{\mathbf{x}^{(i)} \in \mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{X}}, i = 1, \dots, n\}$  of the input parameters
- Different classes of methods are available:
  - **projection**: by simulation or quadrature  
*Matthies & Keese, 2005; Le Maître et al.*
  - **stochastic collocation**  
*Xiu, 2007-09; Nobile, Tempone et al. , 2008; Ma & Zabaras, 2009*
  - **least-square minimization**  
*Berveiller et al. , 2006; Blatman & S., 2008-11*

# Statistical approach: least-square minimization

Isukapalli (1999); Berveiller *et al.* (2006)

## Principle

The exact (infinite) series expansion is considered as the sum of a **truncated series** and a **residual**:

$$Y = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} y_{\alpha} \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{X}) + \varepsilon_P \equiv \mathbf{Y}^{\top} \Psi(\mathbf{X}) + \varepsilon_P(\mathbf{X})$$

where :  $\mathbf{Y} = \{y_{\alpha}, \alpha \in \mathcal{A}\} \equiv \{y_0, \dots, y_{P-1}\}$  ( $P$  unknown coef.)

$$\Psi(\mathbf{x}) = \{\Psi_0(\mathbf{x}), \dots, \Psi_{P-1}(\mathbf{x})\}$$

## Least-square minimization

The unknown coefficients are estimated by minimizing the **mean square residual error**:

$$\hat{\mathbf{Y}} = \arg \min \mathbb{E} \left[ \left( \mathbf{Y}^{\top} \Psi(\mathbf{X}) - \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X}) \right)^2 \right]$$

# Least-Square Minimization: discretized solution

## Ordinary least-square (OLS)

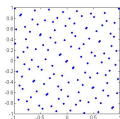
- An estimate of the mean square error (sample average) is minimized:

$$\hat{\mathbf{Y}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^P} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{Y}^T \boldsymbol{\Psi}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}))^2$$

## Procedure

- Select an **experimental design** and evaluate the model response

$$\mathbf{M} = \{\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(1)}), \dots, \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(n)})\}^T$$



- Compute the experimental matrix

$$\mathbf{A}_{ij} = \Psi_j(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \quad i = 1, \dots, n; \quad j = 0, \dots, P-1$$

- Solve the resulting **linear system**

$$\hat{\mathbf{Y}} = (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{M}$$

Simple is beautiful !

## Error estimators

- In least-squares analysis, the **generalization error** is defined as:

$$E_{gen} = \mathbb{E} \left[ \left( \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X}) - \mathcal{M}^{PC}(\mathbf{X}) \right)^2 \right] \quad \mathcal{M}^{PC}(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} y_{\alpha} \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{X})$$

- The **empirical error** based on data set  $\mathcal{X}$ :

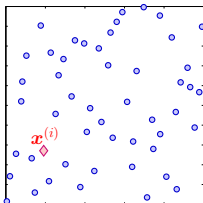
$$E_{emp} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - \mathcal{M}^{PC}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \right)^2$$

is a poor estimator (**overfitting**):

- Model validation** shall be carried out with independent data

Leave-one-out cross validation

# Leave-one-out cross validation



- An experimental design  $\mathcal{X} = \{\mathbf{x}^{(j)}, j = 1, \dots, n\}$  is selected
- Polynomial chaos expansions are built using **all points but one**, i.e. based on  $\mathcal{X} \setminus \mathbf{x}^{(i)} = \{\mathbf{x}^{(j)}, j = 1, \dots, n, j \neq i\}$

- Leave-one-out error (PRESS)

$$E_{LOO} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - \mathcal{M}^{PC \setminus i}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}))^2$$

- Computing directly from a single PC analysis

$$E_{LOO} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - \mathcal{M}^{PC}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})}{1 - h_i} \right)^2$$

where  $h_i$  is the  $i$ -th diagonal term of matrix  $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T$

# Least-squares analysis: Wrap-up

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## Algorithm 1: OLS

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- 1: **Input:** Computational budget  $n$
  - 2: **Initialization**
  - 3:     Experimental design  $\mathcal{X} = \{\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}$
  - 4:     Run model  $\mathcal{X} = \{\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}$
  - 5: **PCE construction**
  - 6:     **for**  $p = p_{\min} : p_{\max}$  **do**
  - 7:         Select candidate basis  $\mathcal{A}^{M,p}$
  - 8:         Solve OLS problem
  - 9:         Compute  $e_{\text{LOO}}(p)$
  - 10:     **end**
  - 11:      $p^* = \arg \min e_{\text{LOO}}(p)$
  - 12: **Return** Best PCE of degree  $p^*$
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# Post-processing sparse PC expansions

## Statistical moments

- Due to the orthogonality of the basis functions ( $\mathbb{E} [\Psi_\alpha(\mathbf{X})\Psi_\beta(\mathbf{X})] = \delta_{\alpha\beta}$ ) and using  $\mathbb{E} [\Psi_{\alpha \neq 0}] = 0$  the **statistical moments** read:

$$\text{Mean: } \hat{\mu}_Y = y_0$$

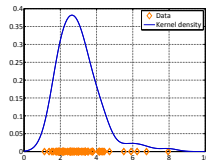
$$\text{Variance: } \hat{\sigma}_Y^2 = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A} \setminus \mathbf{0}} y_\alpha^2$$

## Distribution of the QoI

- The PCE can be used as a **response surface** for sampling:

$$\eta_j = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} y_\alpha \Psi_\alpha(\mathbf{x}_j) \quad j = 1, \dots, n_{big}$$

- The **PDF of the response** is estimated by histograms or **kernel smoothing**





# Sensitivity analysis

## Goal

Sobol' (1993); Saltelli et al. (2000)

**Global sensitivity analysis** aims at quantifying which input parameter(s) (or combinations thereof) influence the most the response variability (**variance decomposition**)

## Hoeffding-Sobol' decomposition

( $\mathbf{X} \sim \mathcal{U}([0, 1]^M)$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}) &= \mathcal{M}_0 + \sum_{i=1}^M \mathcal{M}_i(x_i) + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq M} \mathcal{M}_{ij}(x_i, x_j) + \cdots + \mathcal{M}_{12\dots M}(\mathbf{x}) \\ &= \mathcal{M}_0 + \sum_{\mathbf{u} \subset \{1, \dots, M\}} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{u}}) \quad (\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{u}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_s}\}) \end{aligned}$$

- The **summands** satisfy the orthogonality condition:

$$\int_{[0,1]^M} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{u}}) \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{v}}(\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{v}}) d\mathbf{x} = 0 \quad \forall \mathbf{u} \neq \mathbf{v}$$

# Sobol' indices

Total variance: 
$$D \equiv \text{Var} [\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X})] = \sum_{\mathbf{u} \subset \{1, \dots, M\}} \text{Var} [\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{u}})]$$

- Sobol' indices:

$$S_{\mathbf{u}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\text{Var} [\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{u}})]}{D}$$

- First-order Sobol' indices:

$$S_i = \frac{D_i}{D} \quad D_i = \text{Var}_{X_i} [\mathcal{M}_i(X_i)]$$

Quantify the **additive** effect of each input parameter **separately**

- Total Sobol' indices:

$$S_i^T \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{\mathbf{u} \supset i} S_{\mathbf{u}}$$

Quantify the **total effect** of  $X_i$ , including interactions with the other variables.

## Link with PC expansions

### Sobol decomposition of a PC expansion

Sudret, RESS (2006-08)

Obtained by reordering the terms of the (truncated) PC expansion

$$\mathcal{M}^{\text{PC}}(\mathbf{X}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} y_{\alpha} \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{X})$$

### Interaction sets

$$\forall \mathbf{u} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{i_1, \dots, i_s\} : \quad \mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{u}} = \{\alpha \in \mathcal{A} : k \in \mathbf{u} \Leftrightarrow \alpha_k \neq 0\}$$

$$\mathcal{M}^{\text{PC}}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{M}_0 + \sum_{\mathbf{u} \subset \{1, \dots, M\}} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{u}}) \quad \text{where} \quad \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{u}}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{u}}} y_{\alpha} \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x})$$

### PC-based Sobol' indices

$$S_{\mathbf{u}} = D_{\mathbf{u}}/D = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{u}}} y_{\alpha}^2 / \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A} \setminus \mathbf{0}} y_{\alpha}^2$$

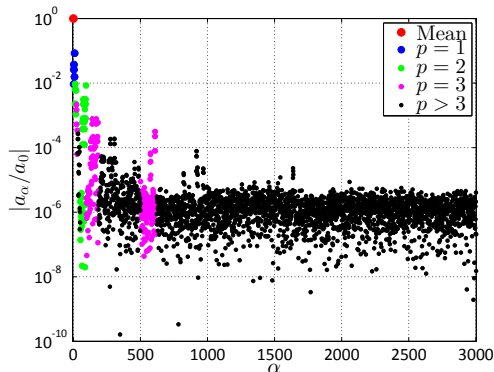
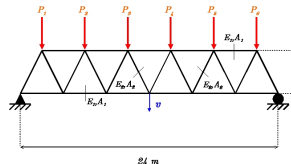
The Sobol' indices are obtained analytically, at any order from the coefficients of the PC expansion

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# Why are sparse representations relevant?

- Elastic truss structure
- $M = 10$  independent input variables (loads / Young's moduli / cross sections)
- PCE of degree  $p = 5$  (3,003 coefficients)



# Low-rank truncation schemes

## Ockham's razor

*“entia non sunt multiplicanda praeter necessitatem” (entities must not be multiplied beyond necessity) W. Ockham (c. 1287-1347)*

## Sparsity-of-effects principle

In most engineering problems, only **low-order interactions** between the input variables are relevant.

Use of **low-rank monomials**

## Definition

The **rank** of a multi-index  $\alpha$  is the number of active variables of  $\Psi_{\alpha}$ , i.e. the number of **non-zero terms** in  $\alpha$ :

$$\|\alpha\|_0 = \sum_{i=1}^M \mathbf{1}_{\{\alpha_i > 0\}}$$

# Hyperbolic truncation sets

## Definition

Blatman (2009); Blatman & Sudret, J. Comp. Phys (2011)

- The  $q$ -norm of a multi-index  $\alpha$  is defined by:

$$\|\alpha\|_q \equiv \left( \sum_{i=1}^M \alpha_i^q \right)^{1/q}, \quad 0 < q \leq 1$$

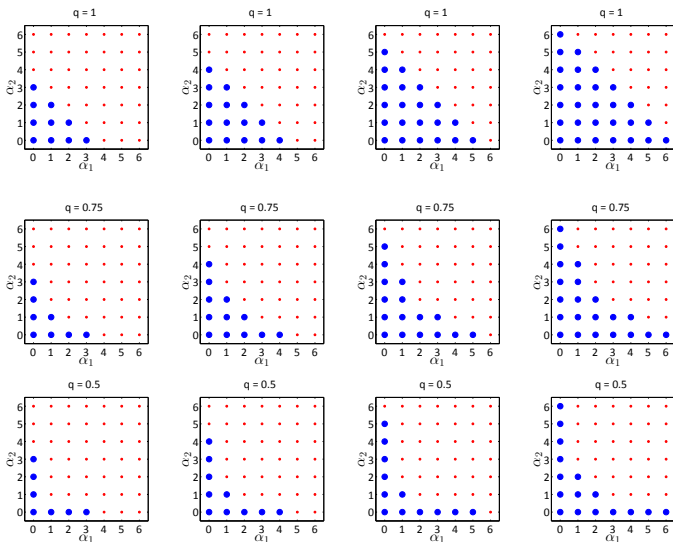
- The hyperbolic truncation sets read:

$$\mathcal{A}_q^{M,p} = \{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^M : \|\alpha\|_q \leq p\}$$

## Limit cases

- $q = 1$  : standard truncation scheme (all polynomials of maximal total degree  $p$ )
- $q \rightarrow 0$  : additive model (no interaction)

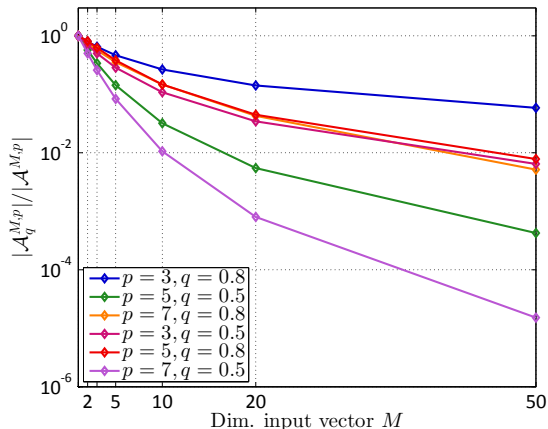
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# Hyperbolic truncation sets

- For a given value of  $0 < q \leq 1$ , the **index of sparsity** tends to zero when  $M$  and  $p$  increase



$$IS = \frac{|\mathcal{A}_q^{M,p}|}{|\mathcal{A}^{M,p}|}$$

# How to get sparse expansions?

Blatman & Sudret, JCP (2011)

- Sparsity in the solution can be induced by  $\ell_1$ -regularization:

$$\mathbf{y}_\alpha = \arg \min \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \mathbf{Y}^\top \Psi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \right)^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{y}_\alpha\|_1$$

- Different algorithms: LASSO, (Bayesian) compressive sensing

Doostan & Owhadi (2011); Ian, Guo, Xiu (2012); Sargsyan *et al.* (2014); Jakeman, Eldred, Sargsyan (2015)

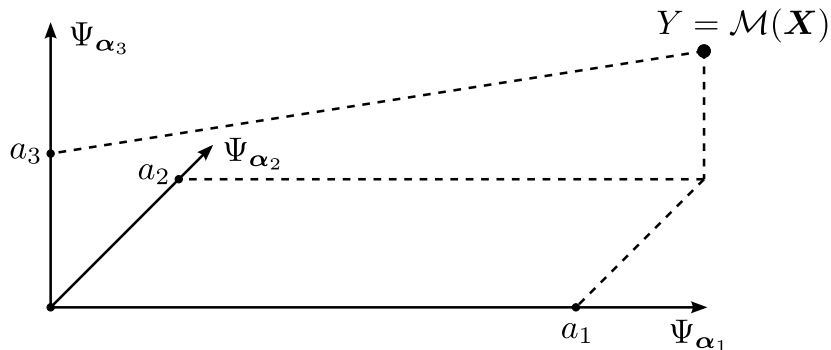
## Least Angle Regression

Efron *et al.* (2004)

- Least Angle Regression (LAR) solves the LASSO problem for different values of the penalty constant in a single run
- The various PC expansions obtained have  $1, 2, \dots, \min(n, |\mathcal{A}|)$  terms

# Least angle regression

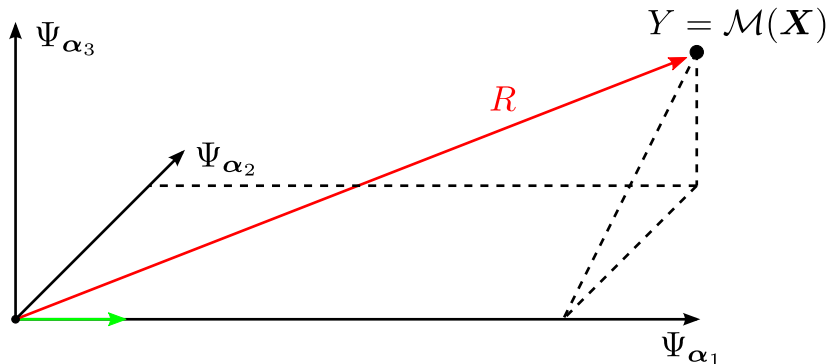
## Implementation

Efron *et al.*, 2004

Consider a 3-dimensional vector

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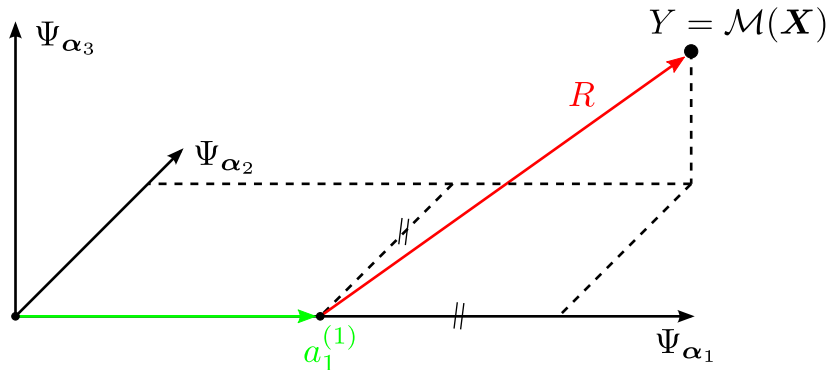
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- The algorithm is initialized with  $Y^{(0)} = 0$ . The residual is  $R = Y = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X})$
- The most correlated regressor is  $\Psi_{\alpha_1}$

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Efron et al. , 2004

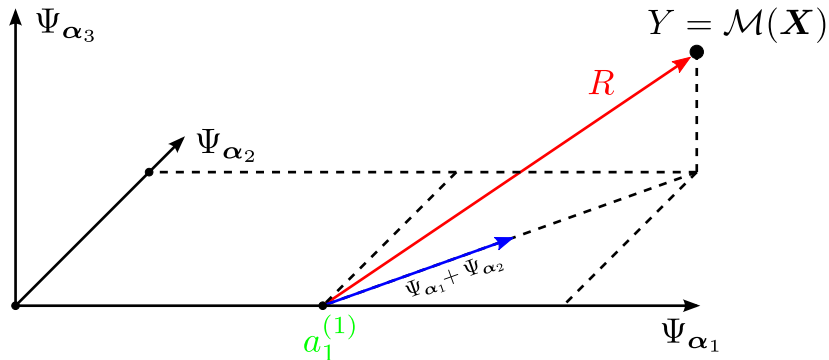


- A move in the direction  $\Psi_{\alpha_1}$  is carried out so that the residual  $Y - a_1^{(1)} \Psi_{\alpha_1}$  becomes equicorrelated with  $\Psi_{\alpha_1}$  and  $\Psi_{\alpha_2}$
- The 1-term sparse approximation of  $Y$  is  $a_1^{(1)} \Psi_{\alpha_1}$

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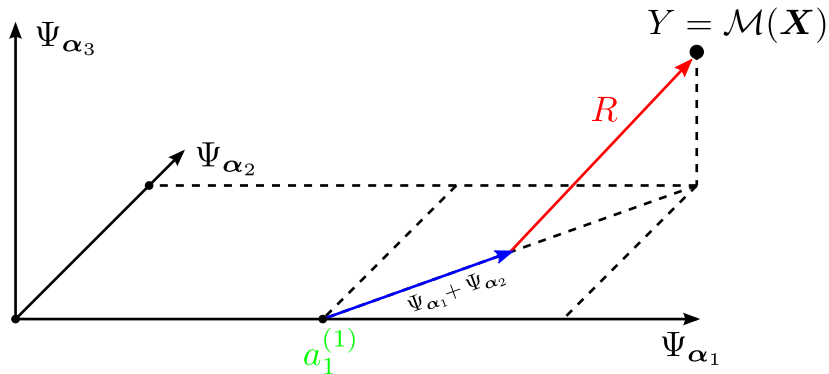
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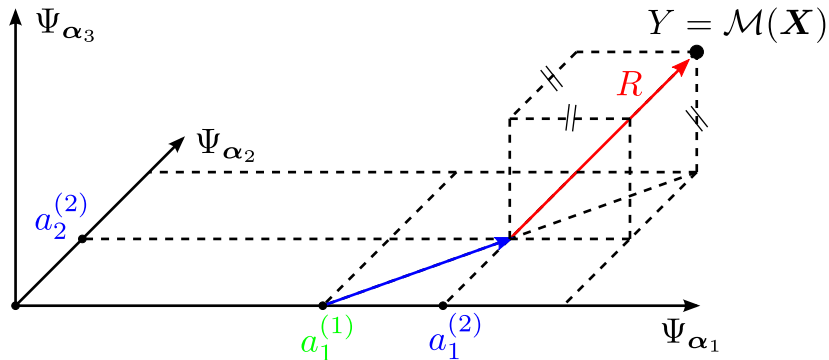
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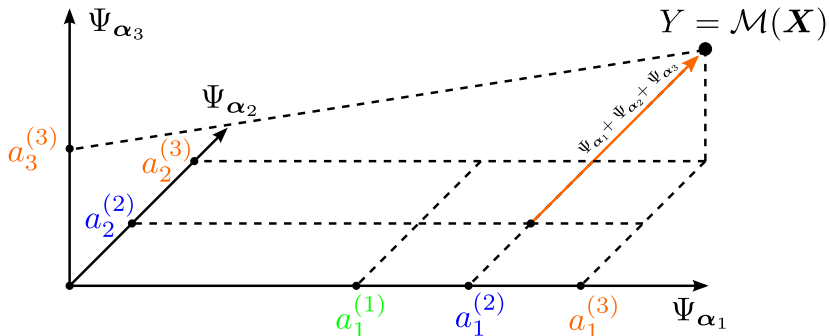
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- This gives the 2-term sparse approximation



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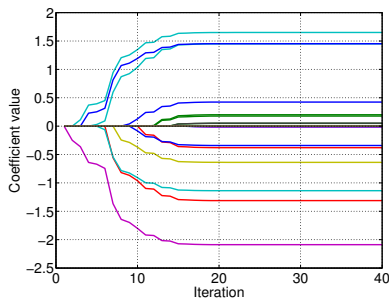
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- etc.
- In finite dimension, LAR eventually yields the same results as projection in  $P$  steps

# Least angle regression

## Path of solutions



- A path of solutions is obtained containing  $1, 2, \dots, \min(n, |\mathcal{A}|)$  terms.
- Leave-one-out error  $E_{LOO}$  is computed for each solution and the best model (smallest error) is selected

$$E_{LOO} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - \mathcal{M}^{PC}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})}{1 - h_i} \right)^2$$

$h_i$ :  $i$ -th diagonal term of matrix  $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T$  and  $\mathbf{A}_{ij} = \Psi_j(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})$

# Sparse PCE: wrap up

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## Algorithm 2: LAR-based Polynomial chaos expansion

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- 1: **Input:** Computational budget  $n$
  - 2: **Initialization**
  - 3:     Sample experimental design  $\mathcal{X} = \{\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}$
  - 4:     Evaluate model response  $\mathcal{Y} = \{\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(1)}), \dots, \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(n)})\}$
  - 5: **PCE construction**
  - 6:     **for**  $p = p_{\min} : p_{\max}$  **do**
  - 7:         **for**  $q \in \mathcal{Q}$  **do**
  - 8:             Select candidate basis  $\mathcal{A}_q^{M,p}$
  - 9:             Run LAR for extracting the optimal sparse basis  $\mathcal{A}^*(p, q)$
  - 10:             Compute coefficients  $\{y_\alpha, \alpha \in \mathcal{A}^*(p, q)\}$  by OLS
  - 11:             Compute  $e_{\text{LOO}}(p, q)$
  - 12:         **end**
  - 13:     **end**
  - 14:      $(p^*, q^*) = \arg \min e_{\text{LOO}}(p, q)$
  - 15: **Return** Optimal sparse basis  $\mathcal{A}^*(p, q)$ , PCE coefficients,  $e_{\text{LOO}}(p^*, q^*)$
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# Tolerance-driven sparse PCE: wrap up

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## Algorithm 3: Tolerance-driven Sparse PCE

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- 1: **Input**
  - 2:     Initial and max. computational budget  $n_{ini}$ ,  $n_{max}$  batch size  $B$
  - 3:     Target error TOL
  - 4: **Initialization**
  - 5:     Apply LARbasedPCE( $n_{ini}$ ), return  $e_{LOO}(n_{ini})$
  - 6: **Enrich ED**
  - 7:      $n \leftarrow n_{ini}$
  - 8:     **while** ( $e_{LOO}(n) > TOL$ ) & ( $n + B \leq n_{max}$ ) **do**
  - 9:         Enrich ED:  $\mathcal{X} \leftarrow \mathcal{X} \cup \{\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(B)}\}$
  - 10:          $n \leftarrow n + B$
  - 11:         Apply LARbasedPCE( $n$ )
  - 12:     **end**
  - 13: **Return** Final ED size  $n$ , optimal sparse basis and PCE coefficients,  $e_{LOO}(n)$
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# The UQLab framework



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*"Make uncertainty quantification available for anybody, in any field of applied science and engineering"*

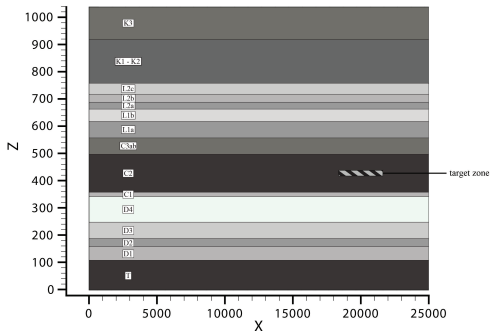
- Matlab-based core managing system (MODEL / INPUT / ANALYSIS objects)
- Modules: **surrogate models** (Gaussian processes / polynomial chaos expansions), **sensitivity analysis**, **reliability analysis**
- Dispatcher to HPC infrastructure



# Geological model

Joint work with University of Neuchâtel

Deman, Konkli, BS, Kerrou, Perrochet & Benabderrahmane, Reliab. Eng. Sys. Safety (submitted)



- Idealized model of the Paris Basin
- Two-dimensional cross section  
(25 km long / 1,040 m depth) with  $5 \times 5$  m mesh ( $10^6$  elements)
- 15 homogeneous layers

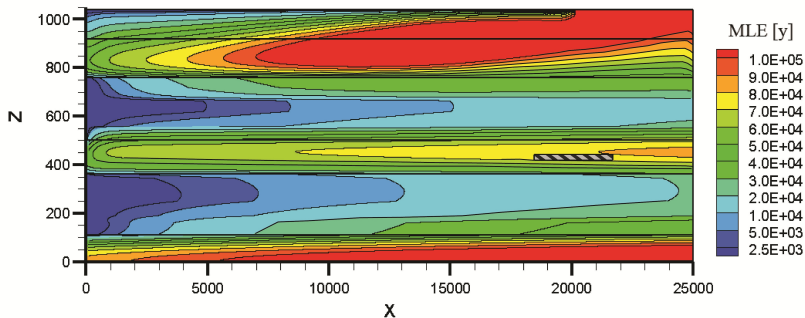
- Steady-state flow with Dirichlet boundary conditions:

$$\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{K} \cdot \nabla H) = 0$$

# Mean life-time expectancy

## Definition

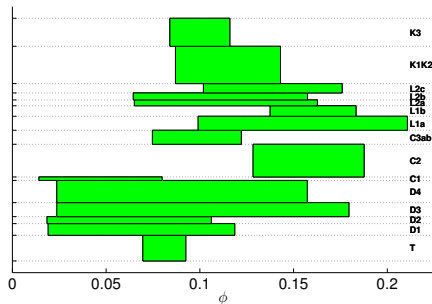
The **Mean Lifetime Expectancy**  $MLE(\boldsymbol{x})$  is the time required for a molecule of water at point  $\boldsymbol{x}$  to get out of the boundaries of the model



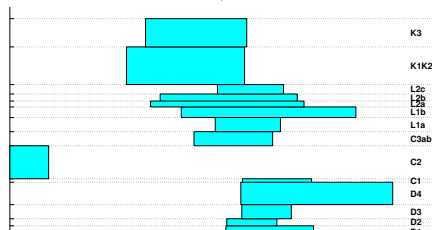
Map of mean lifetime expectancy (nominal case)



# Probabilistic model of porosity / conductivity

Nominal conductivity ( $K_x$ ) vs. porosity

| Layer | $K_x$ [m/s] | $\phi$ [-] |
|-------|-------------|------------|
| K3    | 9.01E-09    | 0.0100     |
| K1-K2 | 4.53E-09    | 0.1150     |
| L2c   | 1.10E-06    | 0.1389     |
| L2b   | 3.46E-07    | 0.1110     |
| L2a   | 1.62E-07    | 0.1139     |
| L1b   | 1.49E-05    | 0.1604     |
| L1a   | 1.17E-06    | 0.1549     |
| C3ab  | 4.59E-08    | 0.0984     |
| C2    | 1.99E-13    | 0.1580     |
| C1    | 1.89E-06    | 0.0470     |
| D4    | 1.65E-05    | 0.0905     |
| D3    | 1.76E-06    | 0.1016     |
| D2    | 2.62E-07    | 0.0623     |
| D1    | 3.23E-06    | 0.0688     |
| T     | 1.95E-12    | 0.0810     |



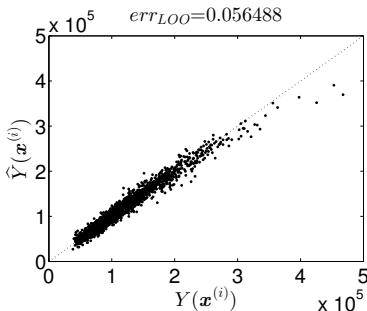
## Other parameters

| Parameter                                     | Notation                       | Range                          |
|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Porosity                                      | $\phi^i, i = 1, \dots, 15$     | $[\phi_{min}^i, \phi_{max}^i]$ |
| Anisotropy of hydraulic conductivity tensor   | $A_K^i, i = 1, \dots, 15$      | [0.01, 1]                      |
| Euler angle of hydraulic conductivity tensor  | $\theta^i, i = 1, \dots, 15$   | $[-30, 30](^\circ)$            |
| Longitudinal component of dispersivity tensor | $\alpha_L^i, i = 1, \dots, 15$ | [5, 25]                        |
| Anisotropy of dispersivity tensor             | $A_\alpha^i, i = 1, \dots, 15$ | [5, 25]                        |
| Hydraulic gradient ( $10^{-3}m/m$ )           |                                |                                |
| Dogger sequence                               | $\nabla H_D$                   | [0.64, 0.96]                   |
| Oxfordian sequence                            | $\nabla H_O$                   | [2.40, 3.60]                   |
| Top of the model                              | $\nabla H_{top}$               | [2.72, 4.08]                   |

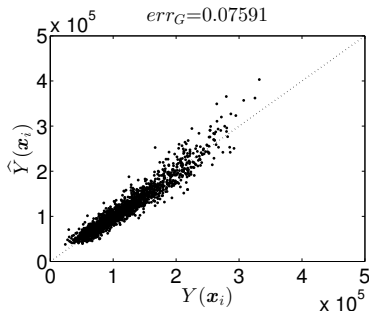
78 independent variables with uniform distributions

# Polynomial chaos expansions

- **Experimental design** of size 2,000 (Maximin Latin Hypercube Sampling). Independent **validation set** of size 2,000
- **Truncation scheme**:  $p = 8$ ,  $q = 0.5$
- **Sparse basis size**: 185 / Full-basis size  $5.3 \times 10^{10}$ . Only 68 out of 78 parameters are included

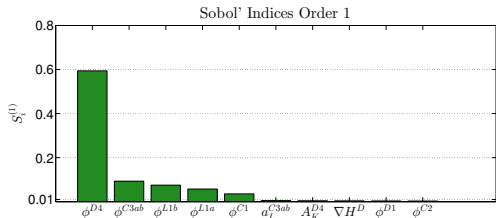
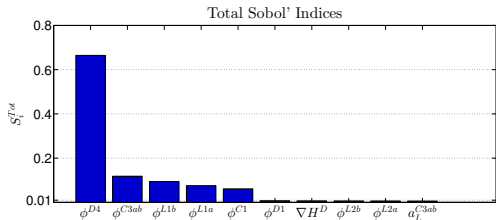


Training set



Validation set

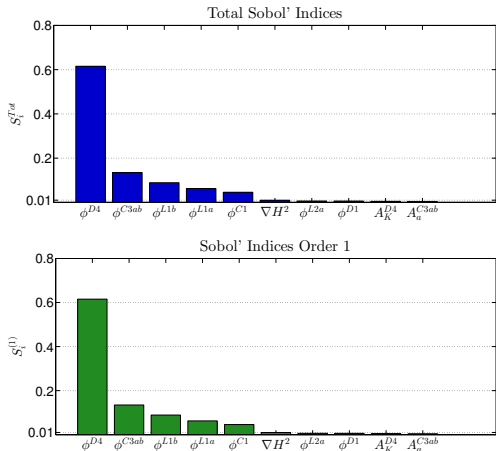
# Sobol' sensitivity indices



| Parameter  | $\sum_j S_j^{(1)}$ |
|------------|--------------------|
| $\phi$     | 0.8664             |
| $A_K$      | 0.0088             |
| $\theta$   | 0.0029             |
| $\alpha_L$ | 0.0076             |
| $A_\alpha$ | 0.0000             |
| $\nabla H$ | 0.0057             |

- Uncertainties on the porosities (and associated conductivities) drive the MLE uncertainty
- Second-order effects have been identified

# Sobol' sensitivity indices: using 200 model runs



Only 200 model runs allow one to detect the important parameters out of 78

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  - Introduction
  - Non linear Duffing oscillator

# Problem statement

**Premise:** In case of time-dependent governing equations, the response of the system is a time-dependent function:

$$Y(t) = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X}; t)$$

- ordinary differential equations with random coefficients (chemical reactions)
- fluid dynamics
- structural dynamics (e.g. **earthquake engineering**)

## Time-frozen PCE

- Consider the discretized deterministic solutions  $n_{TS}$  time steps:

$$y_i(t_j) = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}; t_j) \quad i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, n_{TS}$$

- Build up PCE **independently** at each time-instant (considered frozen)

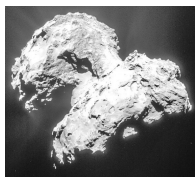
$$Y(t_j) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_{t_j}} y_{\alpha}(t_j) \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{X})$$

Fails due to increasing complexity of the input/output map when

$$t \rightarrow +\infty$$

# Example: rigid body dynamics

Mai & S., MascotNum Workshop, 2015



<http://www.esa.int/spaceinimages/Missions/Rosetta>

Rotation of a rigid body described by Euler's equations

$$\begin{cases} M_x = I_{xx} \dot{\omega}_x - (I_{yy} - I_{zz}) \omega_y \omega_z \\ M_y = I_{yy} \dot{\omega}_y - (I_{zz} - I_{xx}) \omega_z \omega_x \\ M_z = I_{zz} \dot{\omega}_z - (I_{xx} - I_{yy}) \omega_x \omega_y \end{cases}$$

Reduced system

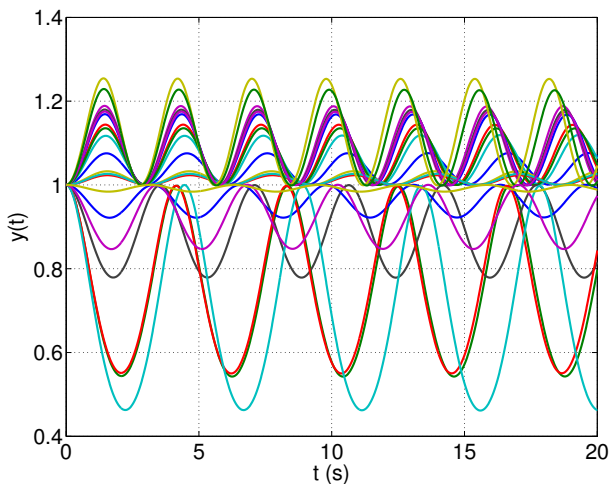
- $M_x = M_y = M_z = 0$
- $x(0) = 0, y(0) = 1, z(0) = 1$
- $I_{xx} = \frac{1-c}{2} I_{yy}, I_{zz} = \frac{1+c}{2} I_{yy}$

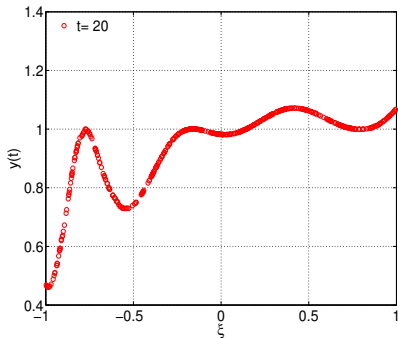
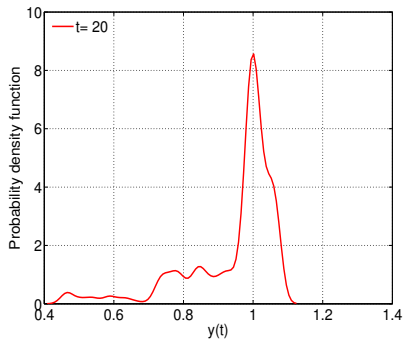
$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = yz \\ \dot{y} = c \times xz \\ \dot{z} = -xy \end{cases}$$

where  $c \sim \mathcal{U}(-0.8, 0.6)$

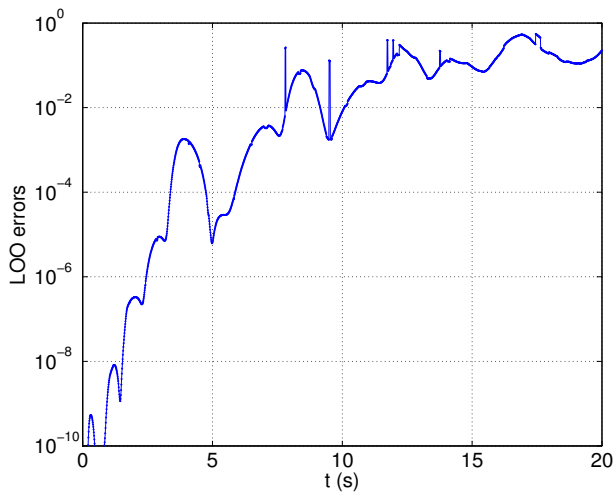


# Different trajectories for various values of $c$



Stochastic dependence  $y(c, t)$  for different time instants  $t$  $y(c, t = 20)$ PDF of  $Y_{t=20}$

# Time-frozen PCE: LOO error



# Stochastic time warping

## Heuristics

Le Maître *et al.* (2010)

Introduce a **virtual time scale**  $\tau$  such that the current trajectory  $y(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \tau)$  is “similar” to a reference trajectory

## Measure of dissimilarity

$$\text{diss} [y(t), y_{ref}(t)] \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\left| \int_0^T y(t) y_{ref}(t) dt \right|}{\sqrt{\int_0^T y^2(t) dt \cdot \int_0^T y_{ref}^2(t) dt}}$$

- It is the **cross-correlation** of the two signals
- Bounded between 0 and 1

# Stochastic time warping: procedure

Mai & Sudret (2015)

- Choose a **reference trajectory**  $y_{ref}(t) = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}_{ref}, t)$  where e.g.  $\mathbf{x}_{ref} = \mu_{\mathbf{X}}$
- Define a **stochastic time transform**:

$$\tau(\mathbf{X}) = k(\mathbf{X})t + \phi(\mathbf{X})$$

- For each sample trajectory  $\{y_i(t), i = 1, \dots, n\}$ , compute the appropriate rescaling:

$$(k_i, \phi_i) = \arg \min_{k, \phi} \text{diss} [y_i(k t + \phi), y_{ref}(t)]$$

- Compute a **sparse PCE of the parameters** of the time transform:

$$k(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} k_{\alpha} \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{X}) \quad \phi(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} \phi_{\alpha} \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{X})$$

# Stochastic time warping: procedure

- In the virtual time scale, trajectories show much higher coherency.  
 $\tau$ -frozen PCE expansions apply:

$$y(\mathbf{X}, \tau) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} y_{\alpha}(\tau) \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{X})$$

Predictions for a new sample  $\mathbf{x}^{(0)}$

- Predict the trajectory in the virtual time scale

$$y(\mathbf{x}^{(0)}, \tau) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} y_{\alpha}(\tau) \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}^{(0)})$$

- Predict the proper **time warping**:

$$\tau(\mathbf{x}^{(0)}) = k(\mathbf{x}^{(0)}) t + \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(0)})$$

- Map back the predicted trajectory in the real time scale:

$$y(\mathbf{x}^{(0)}, t) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} y_{\alpha}(k(\mathbf{x}^{(0)}) t + \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(0)})) \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}^{(0)})$$

# Application – non linear Duffing oscillator

Non-linear SDOF Duffing oscillator:

$$\ddot{x}(t) + 2\omega\zeta\dot{x}(t) + \omega^2(x(t) + \epsilon x^3(t)) = 0$$

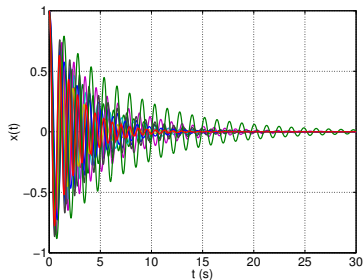
Initial conditions:  $x(0) = 1, \quad \dot{x}(0) = 0$

Input: 3 uniform random variables

$$\zeta = 0.05(1 + 0.05\xi_1), \quad \xi_1 \sim \mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$$

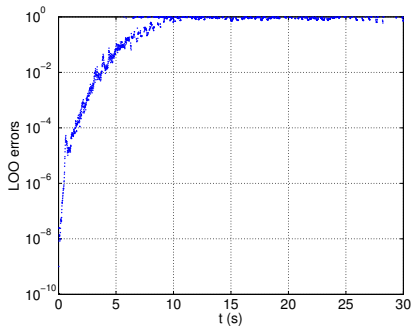
$$\omega = 2\pi(1 + 0.2\xi_2), \quad \xi_2 \sim \mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$$

$$\epsilon = -0.5(1 + 0.5\xi_3), \quad \xi_3 \sim \mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$$

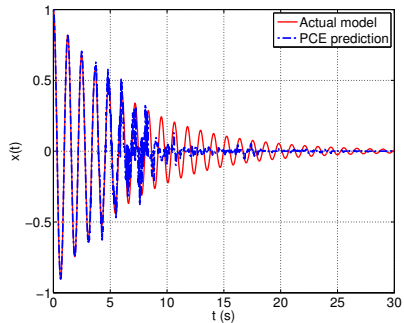


Samples of trajectories

# Time-frozen PCE



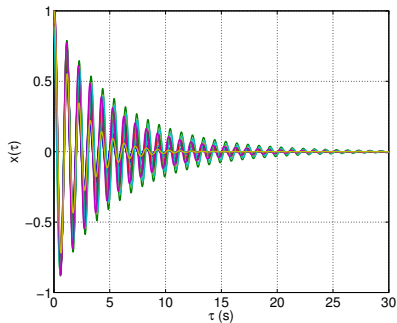
**LOO error vs. time**



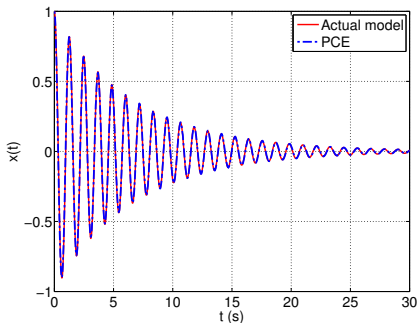
**Predicted trajectory**



# Time-warped PCE



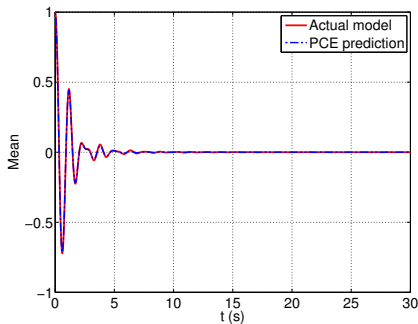
Rescaled trajectories



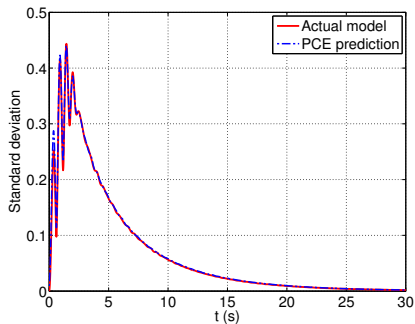
Predicted trajectory in **real time  $t$**

# Validation: mean and standard deviation (time-warping PCE)

Validation set: 10,000 Monte Carlo samples



Mean response



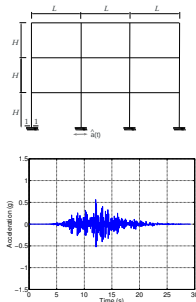
Standard deviation

# Earthquake engineering applications

Mai &amp; Sudret (2015)

- Structural systems under earthquake excitation
- Parametrized input signal in high dimension:

$$\hat{a}(t) = \alpha_1 t^{\alpha_2 - 1} \exp(-\alpha_3 t) \sum_{i=1}^n s_i(t, \lambda(t_i)) U_i$$



## Goal

Predict the output trajectories through time-variant PCE, e.g. the interstorey drift

# Conclusions

- Polynomial chaos expansions are a versatile tool for solving **engineering uncertainty quantification** problems
- Sparse expansions are extremely efficient for **global sensitivity analysis** (e.g.  $\sim$  x00 model runs for 50-100 input variables)
- An a posteriori built-in error estimator is available through leave-one-out cross validation, leading to **adaptive methods** (incl. adaptive experimental designs)
- Ingredients such as **isoprobabilistic transforms**, **least-square** analysis and **low-rank truncation** schemes are easy to understand
- ... and easy to implement in a general-purpose software

# Outlook and ongoing projects

- More compact representations: **low-rank tensor approximations**

*Chevreuril et al. (2013), Konakli & Sudret, UNCECOMP'2015*

- Optimal **small size** experimental designs and local error estimation:  
**Polynomial-chaos based Kriging**

*Kersaudy et al. , JCP (2015) ; Schöbi & Sudret, IJUQ (2015)*

- PCE expansions in case of **imprecise probability** description of the input parameters through **p-boxes**

*Schöbi & Sudret, ICASP (2015)*

- Spectral likelihood expansions for solving Bayesian inverse problems

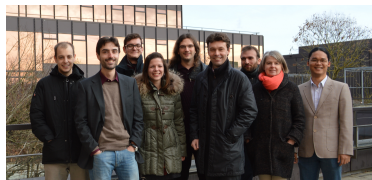
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