



Overview of numerical methods for Uncertainty Quantification

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Consider

$$A(u; q) = f \quad \Rightarrow \quad u = S(f; q),$$

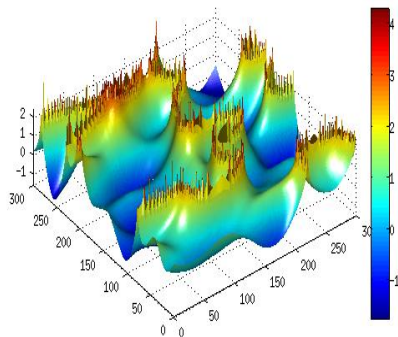
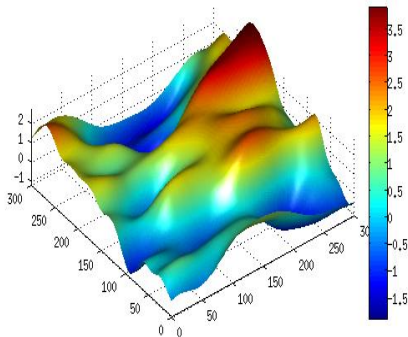
where S is a solution operator.

Uncertain Input:

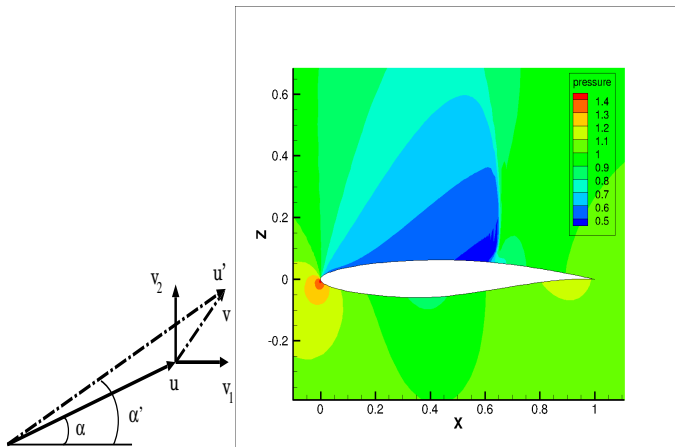
1. Parameter $q := q(\omega)$ (assume moments/cdf/pdf/quantiles of q are given)
2. Boundary and initial conditions, right-hand side
3. Geometry of the domain

Uncertain solution:

1. mean value and variance of u
2. exceedance probabilities $P(u > u^*)$
3. probability density functions (pdf) of u .



A big example:
UQ in numerical aerodynamics
(described by Navier-Stokes + turbulence modeling)



Random vectors $\mathbf{v}_1(\theta)$ and $\mathbf{v}_2(\theta)$ model free stream turbulence

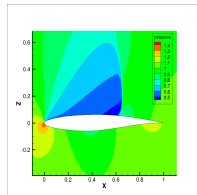
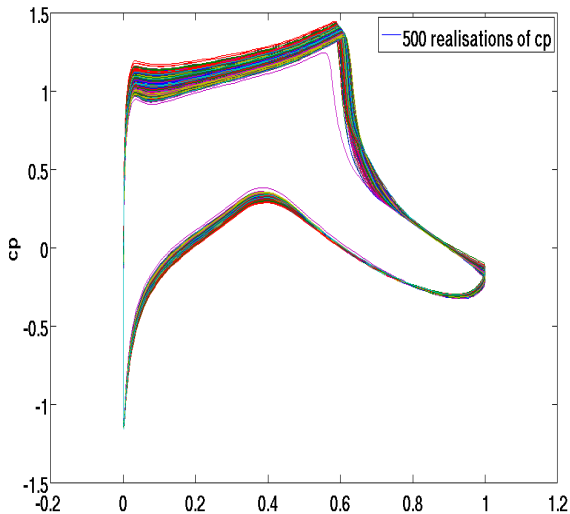


Assume that RVs α and Ma are Gaussian with

	mean	st. dev.	σ/mean
α	2.79	0.1	0.036
Ma	0.734	0.005	0.007

Then uncertainties in the solution lift CL and drag CD are

CL	0.853	0.0174	0.02
CD	0.0206	0.003	0.146



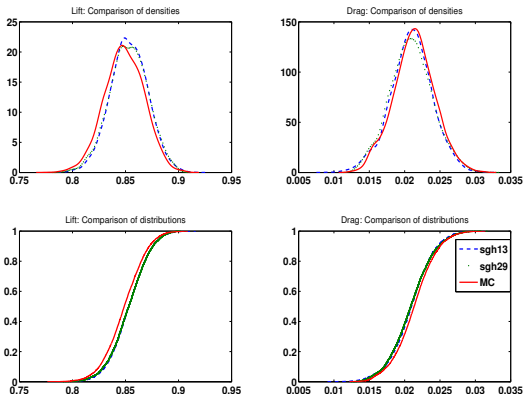


Figure : First row: density functions and the second row: distribution functions of lift and drag correspondingly.

Example: 3sigma intervals

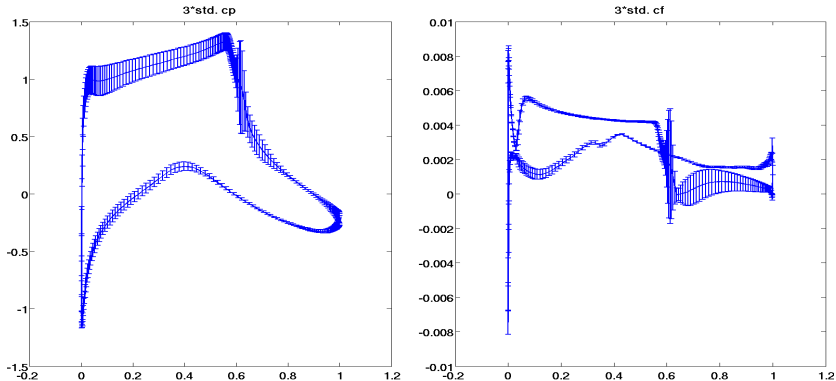
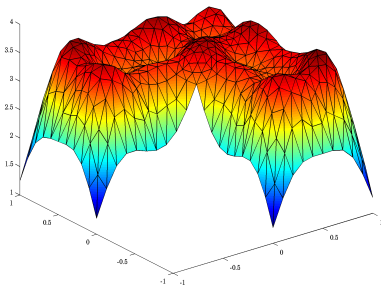
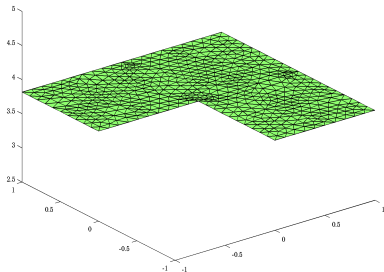


Figure : 3σ interval, σ standard deviation, in each point of RAE2822 airfoil for the pressure (cp) and friction (cf) coefficients.

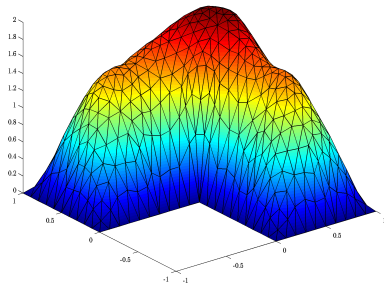
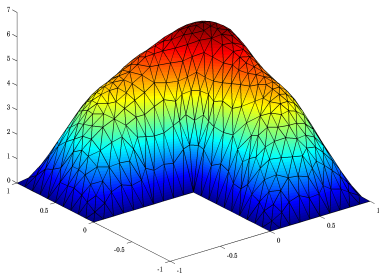


$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}(\kappa(x, \omega)\nabla u(x, \omega)) = p(x, \omega) & \text{in } \mathcal{G} \times \Omega, \mathcal{G} \subset \mathbb{R}^3, \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\mathcal{G}, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

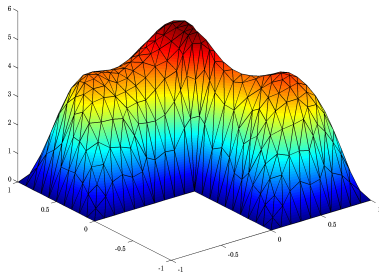
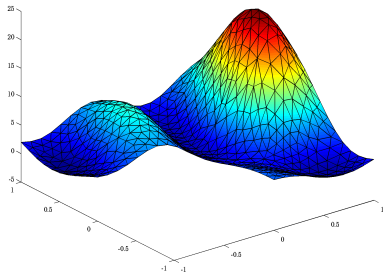
where $\kappa(x, \omega)$ - conductivity coefficient. Since κ positive, usually $\kappa(x, \omega) = e^{\gamma(x, \omega)}$.



(left) mean and standard deviation (right) of $\kappa(x, \omega)$ (lognormal random field with parameters $\mu = 0.5$ and $\sigma = 1$).



(left) mean and standard deviation (right) of the **solution u** .



(left) a realization of the permeability and (right) a realisation of the solution).



1. **Monte Carlo Simulations** (easy to implement, parallelisable, expensive, dim. indepen.).
2. **Stoch. collocation methods with global polynomials** (easy to implement, parallelisable, cheaper than MC, dim. depen.).
3. **Stoch. collocation methods with local polynomials** (easy to implement, parallelisable, cheaper than MC, dim. depen.).
4. **Stochastic Galerkin** (difficult to implement, non-trivial parallelisation, the cheapest from all, dim. depen.).



The Karhunen-Loève expansion is the series

$$\kappa(x, \omega) = \mu_k(x) + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sqrt{\lambda_i} k_i(x) \xi_i(\omega), \quad \text{where}$$

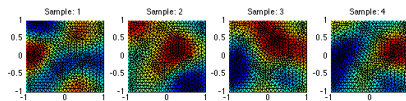
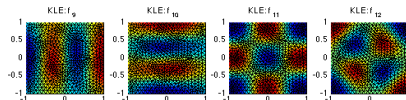
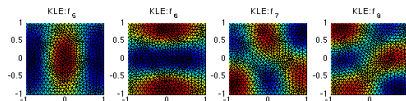
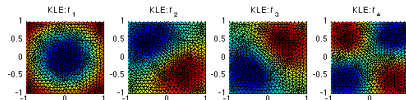
$\xi_i(\omega)$ are uncorrelated random variables and k_i are basis functions in $L^2(\mathcal{G})$.

Eigenpairs λ_i, k_i are the solution of

$$T k_i = \lambda_i k_i, \quad k_i \in L^2(\mathcal{G}), i \in \mathbb{N}, \quad \text{where.}$$

$$T : L^2(\mathcal{G}) \rightarrow L^2(\mathcal{G}), \\ (Tu)(x) := \int_{\mathcal{G}} \text{cov}_k(x, y) u(y) dy.$$

KLE eigenfunctions in 2D





The random field $\kappa(\mathbf{x}, \omega)$ requires to specify its spatial correlation structure

$$\text{cov}_{\kappa}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \mathbb{E}[(\kappa(\mathbf{x}, \cdot) - \mu_{\kappa}(\mathbf{x}))(\kappa(\mathbf{y}, \cdot) - \mu_{\kappa}(\mathbf{y}))].$$

Let $h = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^3 h_i^2 / \ell_i^2}$, where $h_i := x_i - y_i$, $i = 1, 2, 3$, ℓ_i are cov. lengths.

Examples:

Gaussian $\text{cov}(h) = \exp(-h^2)$,

exponential $\text{cov}(h) = \exp(-h)$.



$$\xi(\omega) \approx \sum_{k=0}^Z a_k \Psi_k(\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_M), \quad \text{where } Z = \frac{(M+p)!}{M!p!}$$

- **EXPENSIVE!**

$$M = 9, p = 2, Z = 55$$

$$M = 9, p = 4, Z = 715$$

$$M = 100, p = 4, Z \approx 4 \cdot 10^6.$$

How to store and to handle so many coefficients ?

The orthogonality of Ψ_k enables the evaluation

$$a_k = \frac{\langle \xi \Psi_k \rangle}{\langle \Psi_k^2 \rangle} = \frac{1}{\langle \Psi_k^2 \rangle} \int \xi(\theta(\omega)) \Psi_k(\theta(\omega)) dP(\omega).$$

(e.g. Ψ_k are Hermite polynomials).



Take weak formulation of the diffusion equation, apply KLE and PCE to the test function $v(x, \omega)$, solution $u(x, \omega)$ and $\kappa(x, \omega)$, obtain

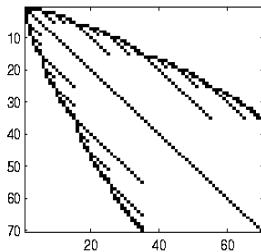
$$\mathbf{K}\mathbf{u} = \left[\sum_{\ell=0}^{m-1} \sum_{\gamma \in \mathcal{J}_{M,p}} \Delta^{(\gamma)} \otimes \mathbf{K}_{\ell} \right] \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{p}, \quad (2)$$

where $\Delta^{(\gamma)}$ are some discrete operators which can be computed analytically, $\mathbf{K}_{\ell} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ are the stiffness matrices.

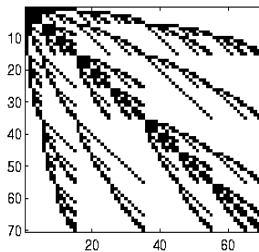
Galerkin stiffness matrix K



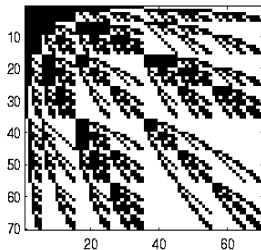
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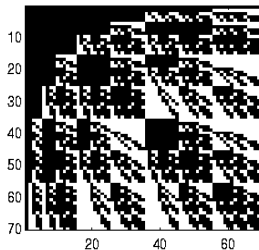
up to degree: 2



up to degree: 3



up to degree: 4





Examples:

1. Chaotic systems (Lorenz 63)
2. Predator-pray model
3. reaction/combustion/chemical equations



Is a system of ODEs. Has chaotic solutions for certain parameter values and initial conditions.

$$\dot{x} = \sigma(\omega)(y - x)$$

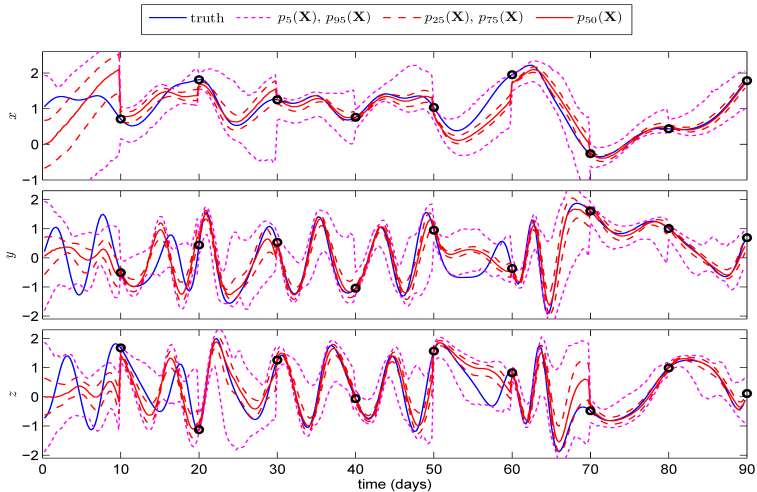
$$\dot{y} = x(\rho(\omega) - z) - y$$

$$\dot{z} = xy - \beta(\omega)z$$

Initial state $q_0(\omega) = (x_0(\omega), y_0(\omega), z_0(\omega))$ are uncertain.

Solving in t_0, t_1, \dots, t_{10} , **Noisy Measur. → UPDATE**, solving in $t_{11}, t_{12}, \dots, t_{20}$, **Noisy Measur. → UPDATE**,...





Trajectories of x, y and z in time. After each update (new information coming) the uncertainty drops. (O. Pajonk)



1. Type in your terminal

```
git clone git://github.com/ezander/sglib.git
```

2. To initialize all variables, run `startup.m`

You will find:

generalised PCE, sparse grids, (Q)MC, stochastic Galerkin, linear solvers, KLE, covariance matrices, statistics, quadratures (multivariate Chebyshev, Laguerre, Lagrange, Hermite) etc

There are: many examples, many test, rich demos



1. Too many expensive (MC) simulations are required
2. in reality distributions/cov. matrices of random variables are unknown
3. After discretization of random variables the problem becomes high-dimensional.
4. The iterative methods must deal with tensors. The linear algebra becomes multi-linear. The rank truncation issue.



1. KLE and PCE are used to discretize the stochastic problem (e.g. for stochastic Galerkin)
2. KLE is optimal, used to separate x from ω
3. PCE is not optimal, used to represent unknown random variable $\xi(\omega)$ by Gaussian random variables
$$\xi(\omega) = \sum_{\alpha} \xi^{\alpha} H_{\alpha}(\theta).$$
4. KLE contains less terms as PCE, but requires cov. function
5. (Q)MC does not take into account good (e.g. sparse/low-rank) properties of the operator
6. Stochastic Galerkin does
7. sparse grids are often used to compute PCE coeffs