

# PDE-Constrained Optimization for Multiscale Particle Dynamics

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# Structure of the Talk

- ▶ Part 1: Modelling (Multiscale Particle Dynamics)
- ▶ Part 2: Optimization (with PDE constraints)
- ▶ Part 3: Numerical Methods
- ▶ Part 4: Results

# Part 1: Modelling

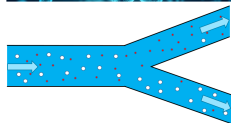
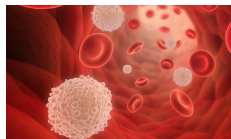
Consider a particle density  $\rho$  on  $\Sigma = (0, T) \times \Omega$ ,  
where  $\partial\Sigma := (0, T) \times \partial\Omega$ .

**Diffusion, advection and particle interactions**

$$\partial_t \rho = \nabla^2 \rho - \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{w}) + \nabla \cdot \int_{\Omega} \rho(\vec{x}) \rho(\vec{x}') \nabla V_2(|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|) d\vec{x}' \quad \text{in } \Sigma$$

BC and IC:

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial n} - \rho \vec{w} \cdot \vec{n} + \int_{\Omega} \rho(\vec{x}) \rho(\vec{x}') \frac{\partial V_2}{\partial n}(|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|) d\vec{x}' = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Sigma$$
$$\rho(0, \vec{x}) = \rho_0(\vec{x})$$



## Part 2: Optimization

$$\min_{\rho, \vec{w}} \quad \frac{1}{2} \|\rho - \hat{\rho}\|_{L_2(\Sigma)}^2 + \frac{\beta}{2} \|\vec{w}\|_{L_2(\Sigma)}^2$$

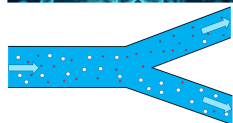
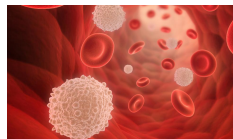
subject to:

$$\partial_t \rho = \nabla^2 \rho - \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{w}) + \nabla \cdot \int_{\Omega} \rho(\vec{x}) \rho(\vec{x}') \nabla V_2(|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|) d\vec{x}' \quad \text{in } \Sigma$$

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## Part 2: Optimization

### The (first-order) optimality system

$$\partial_t \rho = \nabla^2 \rho - \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{w}) + \nabla \cdot \int_{\Omega} \rho(\vec{x}) \rho(\vec{x}') \nabla V_2(|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|) d\vec{x}'$$

$$\partial_t q = -\nabla^2 q - \nabla q \cdot \vec{w} + \int_{\Omega} \rho(\vec{x}') \left( \nabla q(\vec{x}) + \nabla q(\vec{x}') \right) \cdot \nabla V_2(|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|) d\vec{x}'$$

$$\vec{w} = -\frac{1}{\beta} \rho \nabla q$$

$$\rho(0, \vec{x}) = \rho_0(\vec{x}), \quad q(T, \vec{x}) = 0, \quad +\text{BCs}$$

## Part 2: Optimization

**Problem:** Negative diffusion term in  $q$  causes numerical instability.

**Solution:** Change of time variable for this PDE:  $\tau = T - t$ .

$$\partial_t \rho(t, \vec{x}) = \nabla^2 \rho(t, \vec{x}) - \nabla \cdot (\rho(t, \vec{x}) \vec{w}(t, \vec{x})) + \nabla \cdot \int_{\Omega} \rho(t, \vec{x}) \rho(t, \vec{x}') \nabla V_2(|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|) d\vec{x}'$$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_{\tau} q(\tau, \vec{x}) &= \nabla^2 q(\tau, \vec{x}) + \nabla q(\tau, \vec{x}) \cdot \vec{w}(\tau, \vec{x}) \\ &\quad - \int_{\Omega} \rho(\tau, \vec{x}') \left( \nabla q(\tau, \vec{x}) + \nabla q(\tau, \vec{x}') \right) \cdot \nabla V_2(|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|) d\vec{x}' \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{w}(t, \vec{x}) = -\frac{1}{\beta} \rho(t, \vec{x}) \nabla q(t, \vec{x})$$

$$\rho(0, \vec{x}) = \rho_0(\vec{x}), \quad q(0, \vec{x}) = 0, \quad +\text{BCs}$$

## Part 3: Numerical Methods

- ▶ Challenge 1: Particle interaction term is nonlinear and nonlocal (+ nonlocal BCs). How to avoid shortcomings of standard methods (FEM/FDM)?

⇒ **Pseudospectral methods**

- ▶ Challenge 2: One PDE is forward in time, the other backward. How to do time stepping?

⇒ **Fixed point algorithm**

## Part 3: Numerical Methods

### **Pseudospectral Methods**

- ▶ Reduce both PDEs to systems of ODEs.
- ▶ Discretize time (accurate interpolation).
- ▶ Equations can now be solved using a DAE solver (when given all necessary inputs).



## Part 3: Numerical Methods

### Fixed point algorithm

Initialize with guess  $\vec{w}^{(0)}$ .

1. Solve  $\partial_t \rho = \nabla^2 \rho - \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{w}^{(i)}) + \nabla \cdot \int_{\Omega} \rho(\vec{x}) \rho(\vec{x}') \nabla V_2(|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|) d\vec{x}'$ .
2. Solve  $\partial_{\tau} q = \nabla^2 q + \nabla q \cdot \vec{w}^{(i)} - \int_{\Omega} \rho^{(i)}(\vec{x}') \left( \nabla q(\vec{x}) + \nabla q(\vec{x}') \right) \cdot \nabla V_2(|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|) d\vec{x}'$ .
3. Solve  $\vec{w}_g^{(i)} = -\frac{1}{\beta} \rho^{(i)} \nabla q^{(i)}$ .
4. Measure the error:  $\mathcal{E} = \|\vec{w}^{(i)} - \vec{w}_g^{(i)}\|$ .
5. Update control, with  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ :  $\vec{w}^{(i+1)} = (1 - \lambda) \vec{w}^{(i)} + \lambda \vec{w}_g^{(i)}$ .

Iterate until  $\mathcal{E} < TOL$ .

## Part 4: Results

### Reminder: The Optimization Problem

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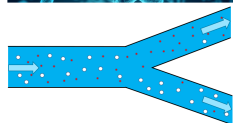
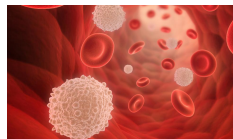
subject to:

$$\partial_t \rho = \nabla^2 \rho - \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{w}) + \nabla \cdot \int_{\Omega} \rho(\vec{x}) \rho(\vec{x}') \nabla V_2(|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|) d\vec{x}' \quad \text{in } \Sigma$$

BC and IC:

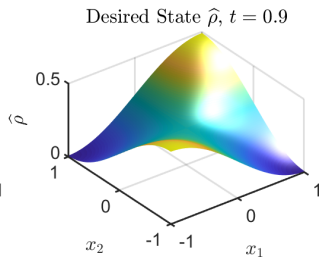
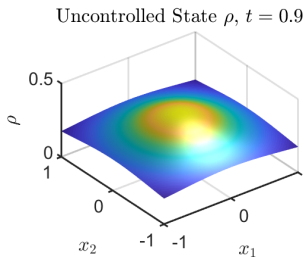
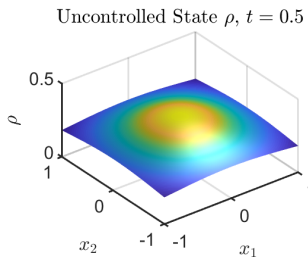
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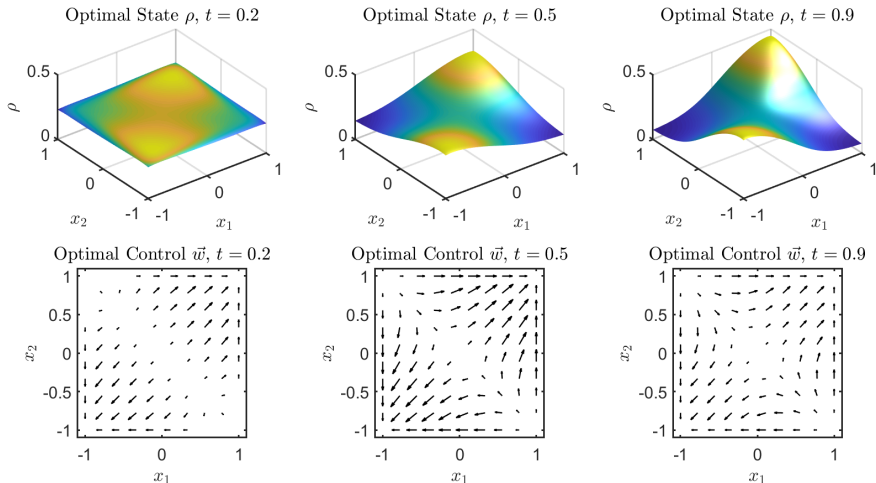
## Part 4: Results

Overall Cost:  $\mathcal{J} = \frac{1}{2}\|\rho - \hat{\rho}\|_{L_2(\Sigma)}^2 + \frac{\beta}{2}\|\vec{w}\|_{L_2(\Sigma)}^2$ ,  $\mathcal{J}_{\vec{w}=\vec{0}} = 0.0130$ .



## Part 4: Results

Overall Cost:  $\mathcal{J} = \frac{1}{2}\|\rho - \hat{\rho}\|_{L_2(\Sigma)}^2 + \frac{\beta}{2}\|\vec{w}\|_{L_2(\Sigma)}^2$ ,  $\mathcal{J}_{\vec{w}=\vec{0}} = 0.0130$ ,  $\mathcal{J}_{opt} = 7.2994 \times 10^{-4}$ .

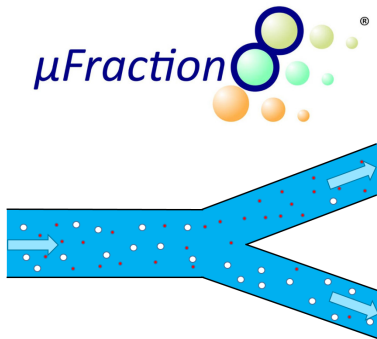


## Current work



# Next steps

## Industrial partners of the PhD



# Summary

Up to now:

- ▶ Deriving PDE-constrained optimization models.
- ▶ Developing a suitable numerical method to solve them.


Current:

- ▶ Complex domains.
- ▶ Extended models (e.g. sedimentation, multiple species).
- ▶ Different boundary conditions.

Up next:





- ▶ Application of the method to other extended models.
- ▶ Application of the numerical framework to industrial processes.

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## Part 4: Results

		$\beta = 10^{-3}$	$\beta = 10^{-1}$	$\beta = 10^1$	$\beta = 10^3$
$\kappa = -1$	$\mathcal{J}_{\vec{w}=\vec{0}}$	0.0113	0.0113	0.0113	0.0113
	$\mathcal{J}_{Opt}$	0.0013	0.0104	0.0113	0.0113
	Iterations	676	700	290	1

Table: Results for the test problem, with different  $\beta$

## Part 2: Optimization

### Deriving (first-order) optimality conditions

Define the Lagrangian  $\mathcal{L}(\rho, \vec{w}, q)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}(\rho, \vec{w}, q) = & \frac{1}{2} \|\rho - \hat{\rho}\|_{L_2(\Sigma)}^2 + \frac{\beta}{2} \|\vec{w}\|_{L_2(\Sigma)}^2 \\ & + \int_{\Sigma} q \left( \partial_t \rho - \nabla^2 \rho + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{w}) - \nabla \cdot \int_{\Omega} \rho(\vec{x}) \rho(\vec{x}') \nabla V_2(|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|) d\vec{x}' \right) d\vec{x} dt \\ & + \int_{\partial \Sigma} q \left( \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial n} - \rho \vec{w} \cdot \vec{n} + \int_{\Omega} \rho(\vec{x}) \rho(\vec{x}') \frac{\partial V_2}{\partial n}(|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|) d\vec{x}' \right) d\vec{x} dt\end{aligned}$$

1. Take derivatives of  $\mathcal{L}(\rho, \vec{w}, q)$  with respect to  $\rho$ ,  $\vec{w}$  and  $q$ .
2. Set derivatives to zero to find stationary points.