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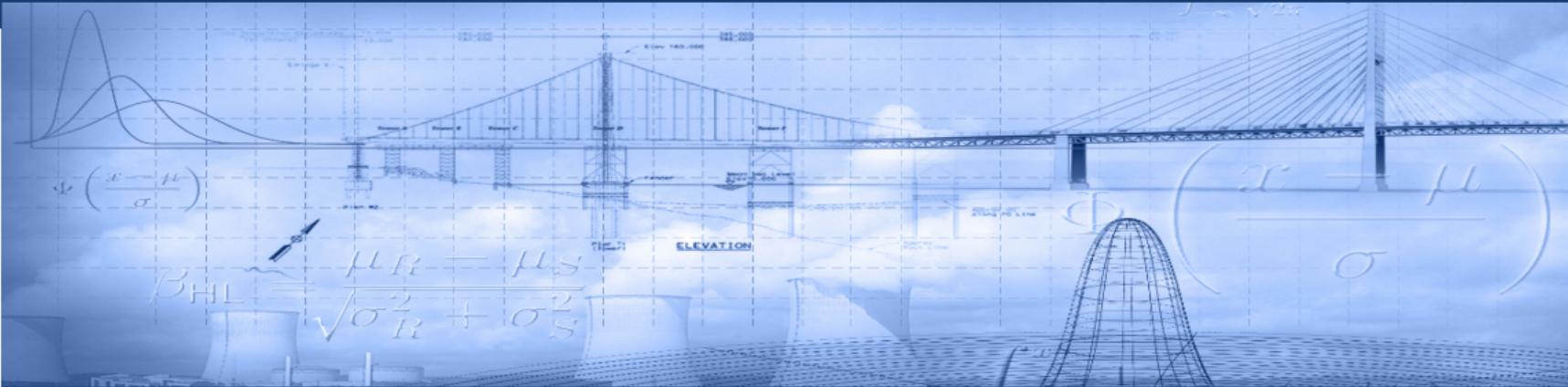
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Research topics

- Uncertainty modelling for engineering systems
- Structural reliability analysis
- Surrogate models (polynomial chaos expansions, Kriging, support vector machines)
- Bayesian model calibration and stochastic inverse problems
- Global sensitivity analysis
- Reliability-based design optimization



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Computational models in engineering

Complex engineering systems are designed and assessed using **computational models**, a.k.a **simulators**

A computational model combines:

- A **mathematical description** of the physical phenomena (governing equations), e.g. mechanics, electromagnetism, fluid dynamics, etc.
- **Discretization techniques** which transform continuous equations into linear algebra problems
- Algorithms to **solve** the discretized equations

$$\operatorname{div} \boldsymbol{\sigma} + \mathbf{f} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \mathbf{D} \cdot \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

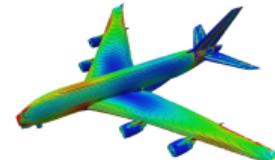
$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla \mathbf{u}^T \right)$$



Computational models in engineering

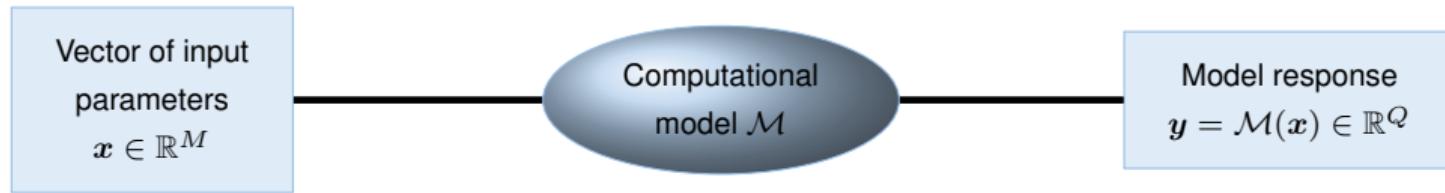
Computational models are used:

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

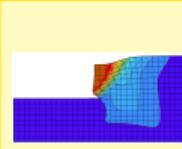


Computational models: the abstract viewpoint

A computational model may be seen as a **black box** program that computes **quantities of interest** (QoI) (a.k.a. **model responses**) as a function of input parameters



- Geometry
- Material properties
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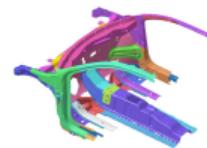


- Analytical formula
- Finite element model
- Comput. workflow

- Displacements
- Strains, stresses
- Temperature, etc.

Real world is uncertain

- 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, landslides), climate loads (hurricanes, snow storms, etc.), accidental human actions (explosions, fire, etc.)



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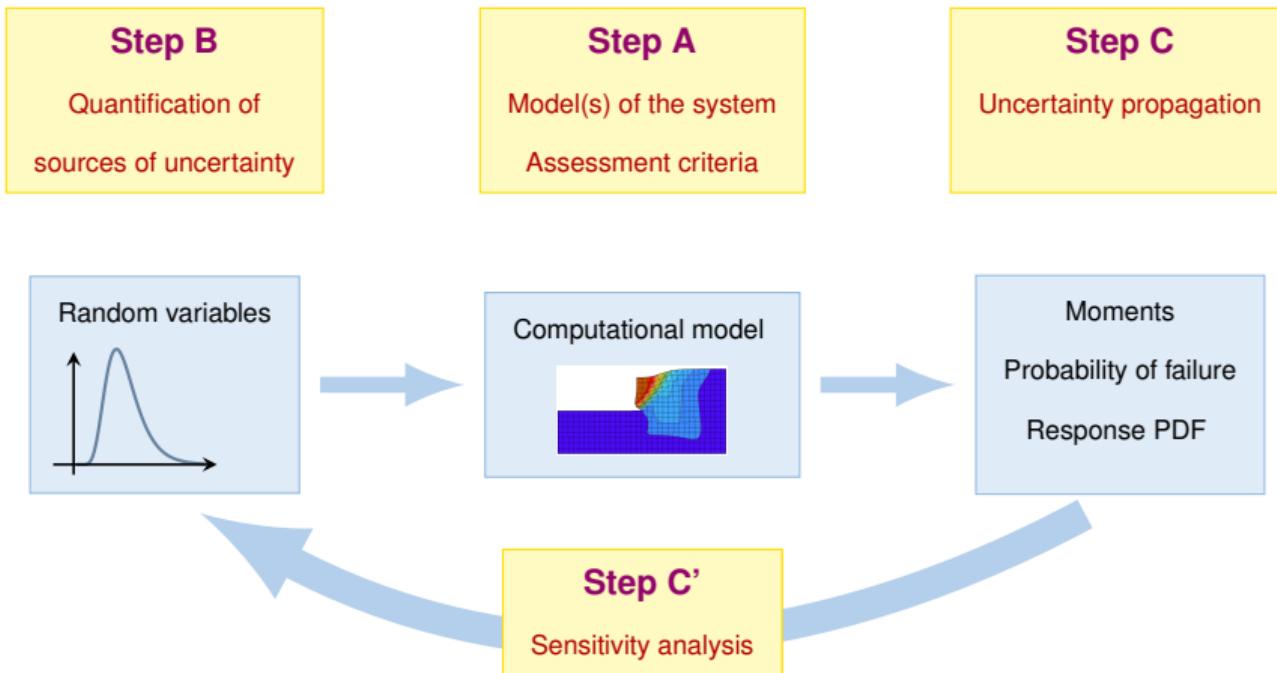
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Global framework for uncertainty quantification



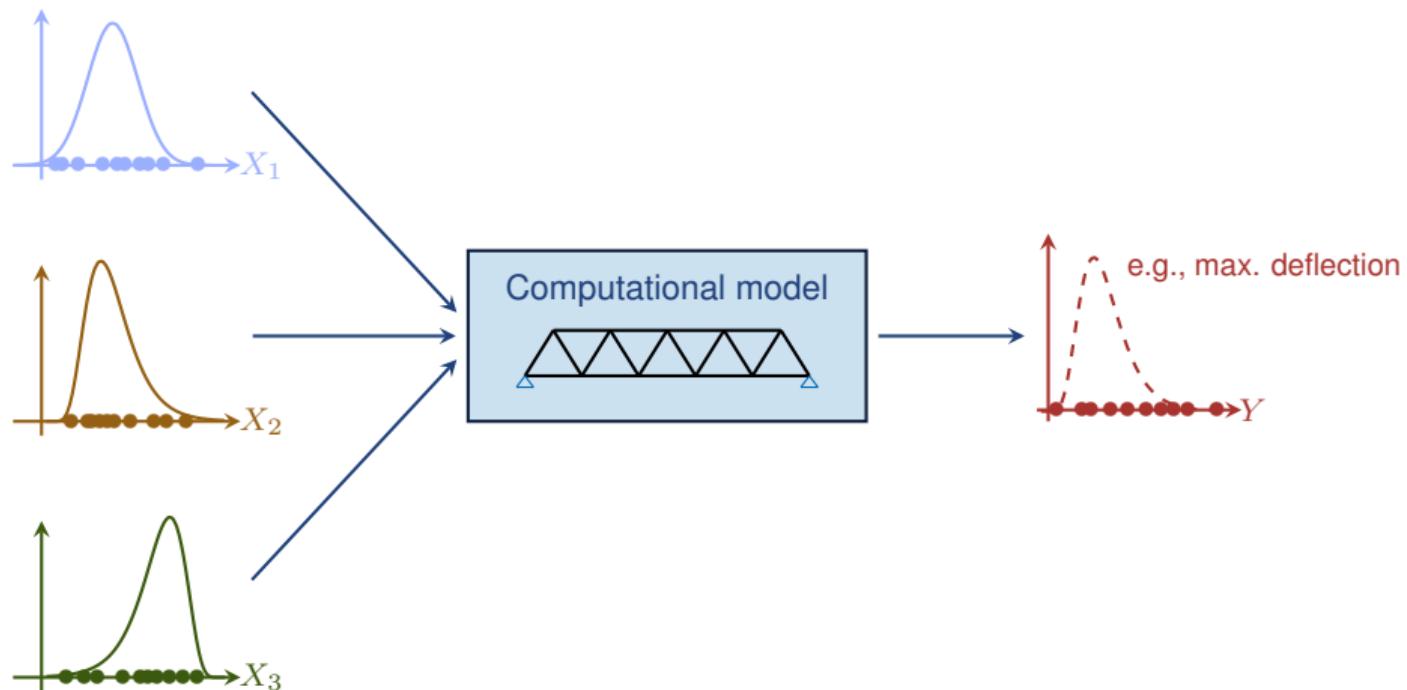
B. Sudret, Uncertainty propagation and sensitivity analysis in mechanical models – contributions to structural reliability and stochastic spectral methods (2007)

Uncertainty propagation using Monte Carlo simulation

Principle: Generate **virtual prototypes** of the system using **random numbers**

- A sample set $\mathcal{X} = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ is drawn according to the input distribution f_X
- For each sample the quantity of interest (resp. performance criterion) is evaluated, say $\mathcal{Y} = \{\mathcal{M}(x_1), \dots, \mathcal{M}(x_n)\}$
- The set of model outputs is used for moments-, distribution- or reliability analysis

Uncertainty propagation using Monte Carlo simulation



Advantages/Drawbacks of Monte Carlo simulation

Advantages

- Universal method: only rely upon **sampling** random numbers and running repeatedly the computational model
- Sound statistical foundations: convergence when $n \rightarrow \infty$
- Suited to **High Performance Computing**: “embarrassingly parallel”

Drawbacks

- **Statistical uncertainty**: results are not exactly reproducible when a new analysis is carried out (handled by computing **confidence intervals**)
- **Low efficiency**: convergence rate $\propto n^{-1/2}$

Surrogate models for uncertainty quantification

A **surrogate model** $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}$ is an **approximation** of the original computational model \mathcal{M} with the following features:

- It assumes some regularity of the model \mathcal{M} and some general functional shape
- It is built from a **limited** set of runs of the original model \mathcal{M} called the **experimental design**
$$\mathcal{X} = \{\boldsymbol{x}^{(i)}, i = 1, \dots, n\}$$

Simulated data

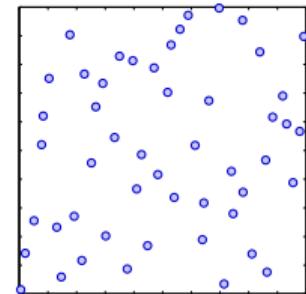
- It is **fast to evaluate!**

Surrogate models for uncertainty quantification

Name	Shape	Parameters
Polynomial chaos expansions	$\tilde{M}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} a_{\alpha} \Psi_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x})$	a_{α}
Low-rank tensor approximations	$\tilde{M}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \sum_{l=1}^R b_l \left(\prod_{i=1}^M v_l^{(i)}(x_i) \right)$	$b_l, z_{k,l}^{(i)}$
Kriging (a.k.a Gaussian processes)	$\tilde{M}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \cdot \boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x}) + Z(\boldsymbol{x}, \omega)$	$\boldsymbol{\beta}, \sigma_Z^2, \theta$
Support vector machines	$\tilde{M}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i K(\boldsymbol{x}_i, \boldsymbol{x}) + b$	\boldsymbol{a}, b
(Deep) Neural networks	$\tilde{M}(\boldsymbol{x}) = f_n (\cdots f_2 (b_2 + f_1 (b_1 + \boldsymbol{w}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \boldsymbol{w}_2))$	$\boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{b}$

Ingredients for building a surrogate model

- Select an **experimental design** \mathcal{X} that covers at best the domain of input parameters:
 - (Monte Carlo simulation)
 - **Latin hypercube sampling** (LHS)
 - Low-discrepancy sequences
- Run the computational model \mathcal{M} onto \mathcal{X} exactly as in Monte Carlo simulation



Ingredients for building a surrogate model

- Smartly post-process the data $\{\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X})\}$ through a learning algorithm

Name	Learning method
Polynomial chaos expansions	sparse grid integration, least-squares, compressive sensing
Low-rank tensor approximations	alternate least squares
Kriging	maximum likelihood, Bayesian inference
Support vector machines	quadratic programming

- Validate the surrogate model, e.g. estimate a global error $\varepsilon = \mathbb{E} \left[(\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X}) - \tilde{\mathcal{M}}(\mathbf{X}))^2 \right]$

Advantages of surrogate models

Usage

$$\mathcal{M}(x) \approx \tilde{\mathcal{M}}(x)$$

hours per run seconds for 10^6 runs

Advantages

- Non-intrusive methods: based on runs of the computational model, exactly as in Monte Carlo simulation
- Suited to high performance computing: “embarrassingly parallel”

Challenges

- Need for rigorous validation
- Communication: advanced mathematical background

Efficiency

- 6-8 orders of magnitude (!) less CPU for a single run
- 2-3 orders of magnitude less runs compared to a full Monte Carlo simulation

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Polynomial chaos expansions in a nutshell

Ghanem & Spanos (1991; 2003); Xiu & Karniadakis (2002); Soize & Ghanem (2004)

- We assume here for simplicity that the input parameters are independent with $X_i \sim f_{X_i}, i = 1, \dots, M$
- PCE is also applicable in the general case using an isoprobabilistic transform $\boldsymbol{X} \mapsto \boldsymbol{\Xi}$

The polynomial chaos expansion of the (random) model response reads:

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

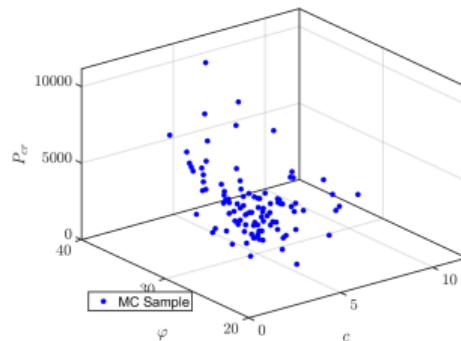
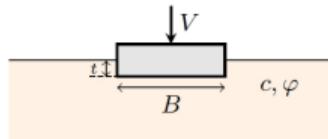
where:

- $\Psi_\alpha(\boldsymbol{X})$ are basis functions (multivariate orthonormal polynomials)
- y_α are coefficients to be computed (coordinates)

Sampling (MCS) vs. spectral expansion (PCE)

Whereas MCS explores the output space /distribution **point-by-point**, the polynomial chaos expansion assumes a generic structure (**polynomial function**), which better exploits the available information (**runs of the original model**)

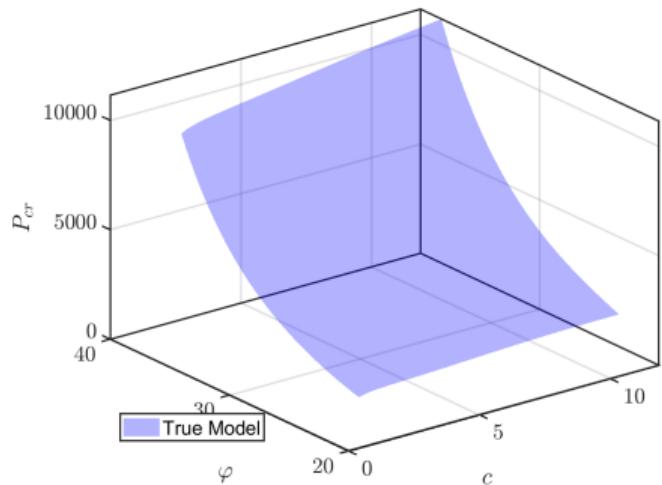
Example: load bearing capacity P_{cr} of a shallow foundation



Thousands (resp. millions) of points are needed to grasp the structure of the response (resp. capture the rare events)

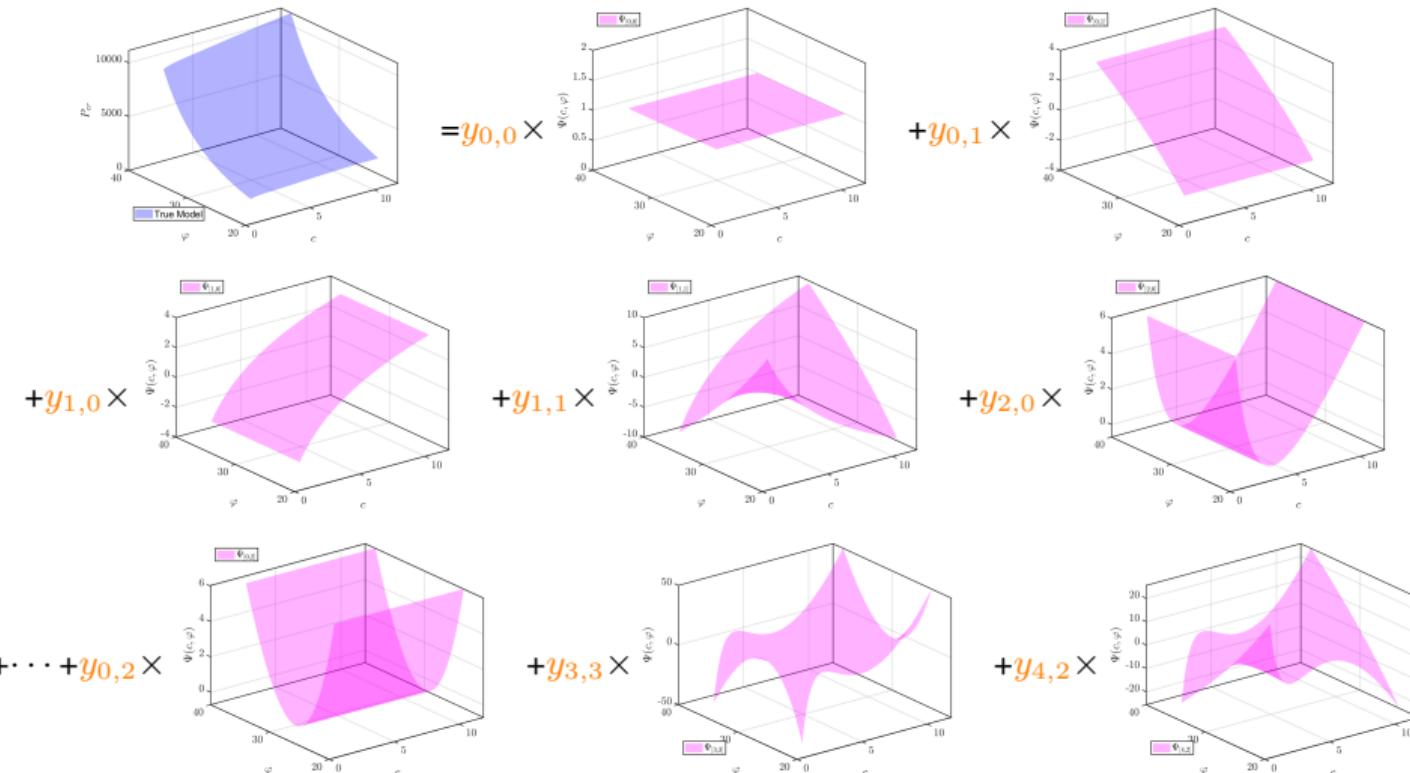
Defined as a function of the soil cohesion c and friction angle φ

Visualization of the PCE construction



= “Sum of coefficients \times basic surfaces”

Visualization of the PCE construction



Surrogate models for UQ

Polynomial chaos expansion: procedure

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

Four steps

- How to construct the polynomial basis $\Psi_\alpha(\mathbf{X})$ for given $X_i \sim f_{X_i}$?
- How to compute the coefficients y_α ?
- How to check the accuracy of the expansion ?
- How to answer the engineering questions:
 - Mean, standard deviation
 - PDF, quantiles
 - Sensitivity indices

Multivariate polynomial basis

Univariate polynomials

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

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

e.g., Legendre polynomials if $X_i \sim \mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$, Hermite polynomials if $X_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$

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

Tensor product construction

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

where $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_M)$ are multi-indices (partial degree in each dimension)

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Computing the coefficients by least-square minimization

Isukapalli (1999); Berveiller, Sudret & Lemaire (2006)

Principle

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

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

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

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

Least-square minimization

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

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

Discrete (ordinary) least-square minimization

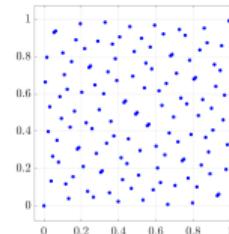
An estimate of the mean square error (sample average) is minimized:

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

Procedure

- Select a truncation scheme, e.g. $\mathcal{A}^{M,p} = \{\boldsymbol{\alpha} \in \mathbb{N}^M : |\boldsymbol{\alpha}|_1 \leq p\}$
- Select an **experimental design** and evaluate the model response

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



- Compute the experimental matrix

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

- Solve the resulting **linear system**

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

Simple is beautiful !

Error estimators

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

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

- The **empirical error** based on the experimental design \mathcal{X} is a poor estimator in case of **overfitting**

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

Leave-one-out cross validation

- From statistical learning theory, **model validation** shall be carried out using independent data

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

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

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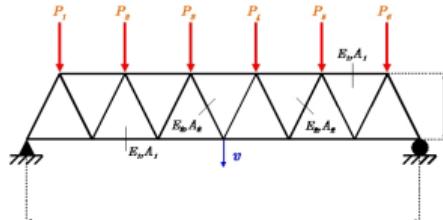
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Curse of dimensionality

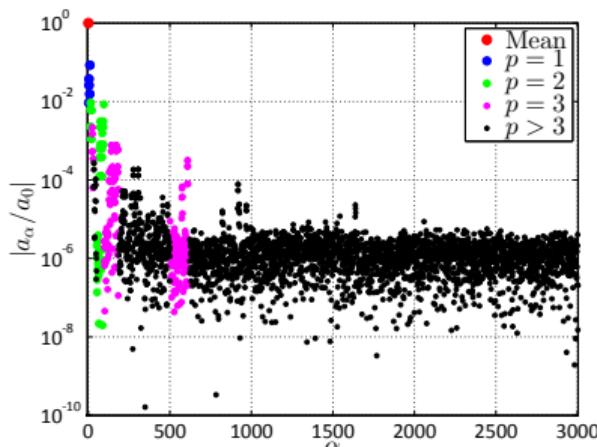
- The cardinality of the truncation scheme $\mathcal{A}^{M,p}$ is $P = \frac{(M+p)!}{M! p!}$
- Typical computational requirements: $n = OSR \cdot P$ where the **oversampling rate** is $OSR = 2 - 3$

However ... most coefficients are close to zero !

Example



- Elastic truss structure with $M = 10$ independent input variables
- PCE of degree $p = 5$ ($P = 3,003$ coefficients)



Compressive sensing approaches

Blatman & Sudret (2011); Doostan & Owhadi (2011); Sargsyan *et al.* (2014); Jakeman *et al.* (2015)

- Sparsity in the solution can be induced by ℓ_1 -regularization:

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

- Different algorithms: LASSO, orthogonal matching pursuit, LARS, Bayesian compressive sensing, subspace pursuit, etc.
- State-of-the-art-review and comparisons available in:

Lüthen, N., Marelli, S. & Sudret, B. *Sparse polynomial chaos expansions: Literature survey and benchmark*, SIAM/ASA J. Unc. Quant., 2021, 9, 593-649 <https://doi.org/10.1137/20M1315774>

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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:

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

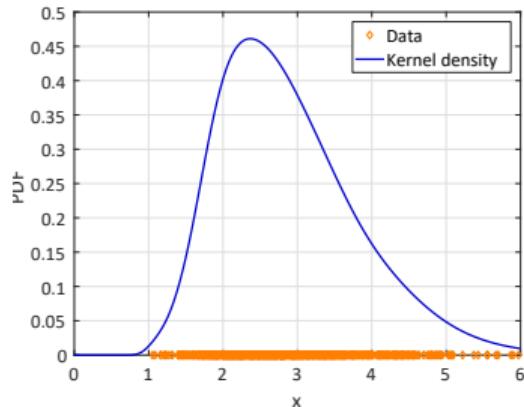
$$\text{Variance: } \hat{\sigma}_Y^2 = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A} \setminus \mathbf{0}} y_\alpha^2$$

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.* (2008)

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

Hoeffding-Sobol' decomposition

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

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

- The summands satisfy the orthogonality condition:

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

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:

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

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, CSM (2006); RESS (2008)

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

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

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

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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Problem statement

- Consider a computational model of a **dynamical system**:

$$\mathcal{D}_{\Xi} \times [0, T] : (\xi, t) \mapsto \mathcal{M}(\xi, t)$$

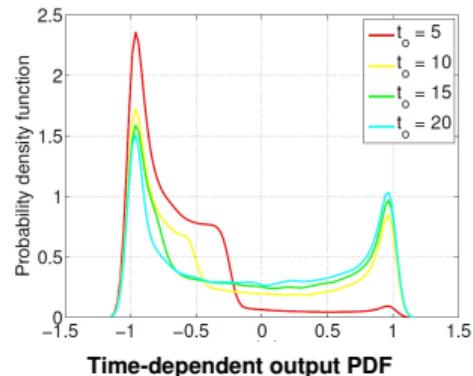
where Ξ is a random vector of uncertain parameters with given PDF f_{Ξ}

- Uncertainties may be in:
 - The **excitation**, denoted by $x(\xi_x, t)$
 - And/or in the **system's characteristics** (ξ_s):

i.e.:

$$\mathcal{M}(\xi, t) \equiv \mathcal{M}(x(\xi_x, t), \xi_s)$$

Time-frozen PCE does not work!



Stochastic time warping

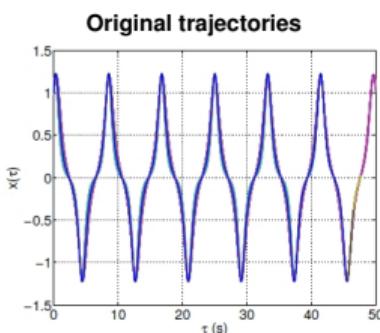
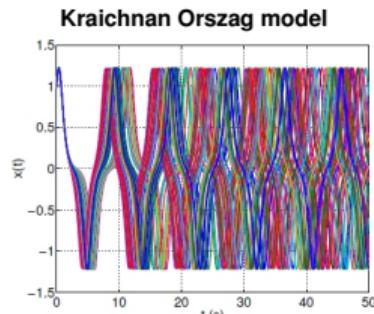
Problem

Mai & Sudret, SIAM J. Unc. Quant. (2017)

The various trajectories are “similar” yet not in phase, thus the complex time-frozen response

Principles of the method

- A specific **warped time scale** τ is introduced for each trajectory so that they become “in phase”
- Time-frozen PCE is carried out in the warped time scale using **reduced-order modelling** (principal component analysis)
- Predictions are carried out in the warped time scale and back-transformed in the real time line



Trajectories after time warping

Example: Oregonator model

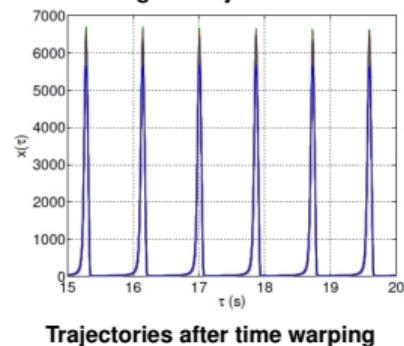
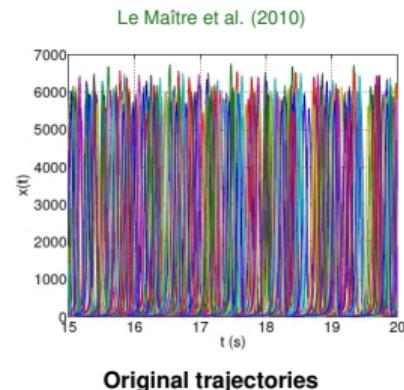
The **Oregonator** model represents a well-stirred, homogeneous chemical system governed by a three species coupled mechanism

Governing equations

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}(t) &= k_1 y(t) - k_2 x(t) y(t) + k_3 x(t) - k_4 x(t)^2 \\ \dot{y}(t) &= -k_1 y(t) - k_2 x(t) y(t) + k_5 z(t) \\ \dot{z}(t) &= k_3 x(t) - k_5 z(t)\end{aligned}$$

Input reaction parameters

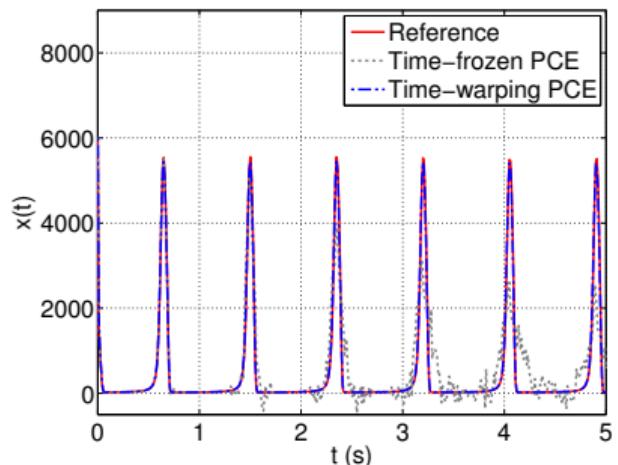
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k_1	Uniform	$\mathcal{U}[1.8, 2.2]$
k_2	Uniform	$\mathcal{U}[0.095, 0.1005]$
k_3	Gaussian	$\mathcal{N}(104, 1.04)$
k_4	Uniform	$\mathcal{U}[0.0076, 0.0084]$
k_5	Uniform	$\mathcal{U}[23.4, 28.6]$



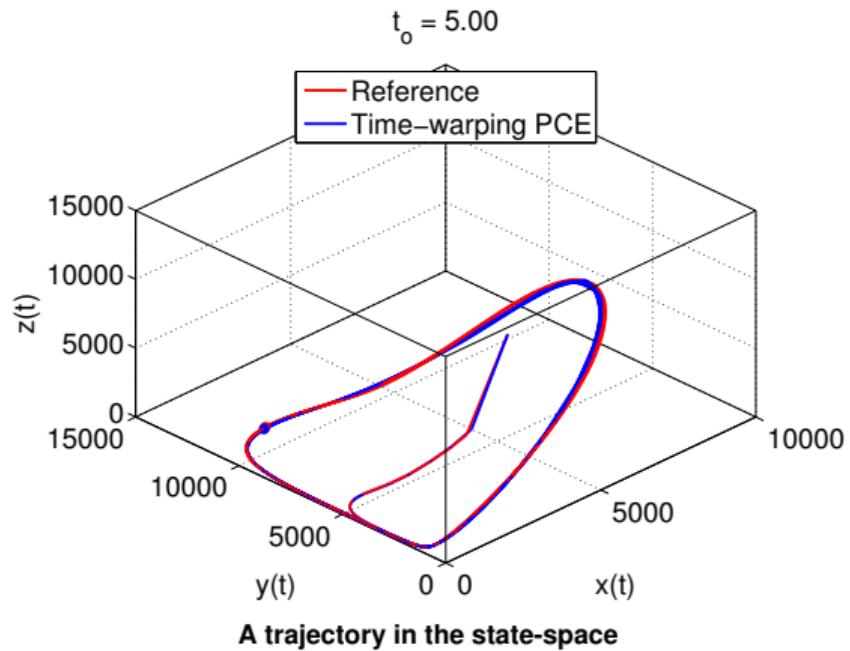
Oregonator model: prediction

Surrogate model

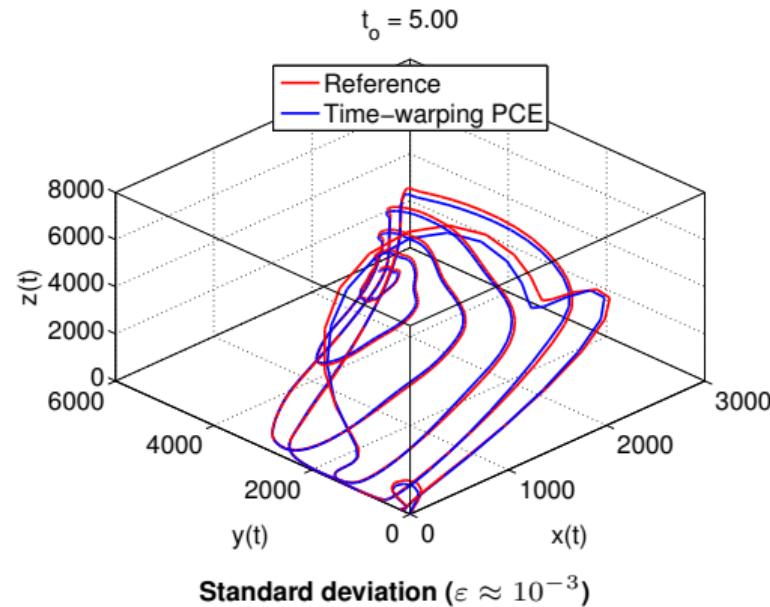
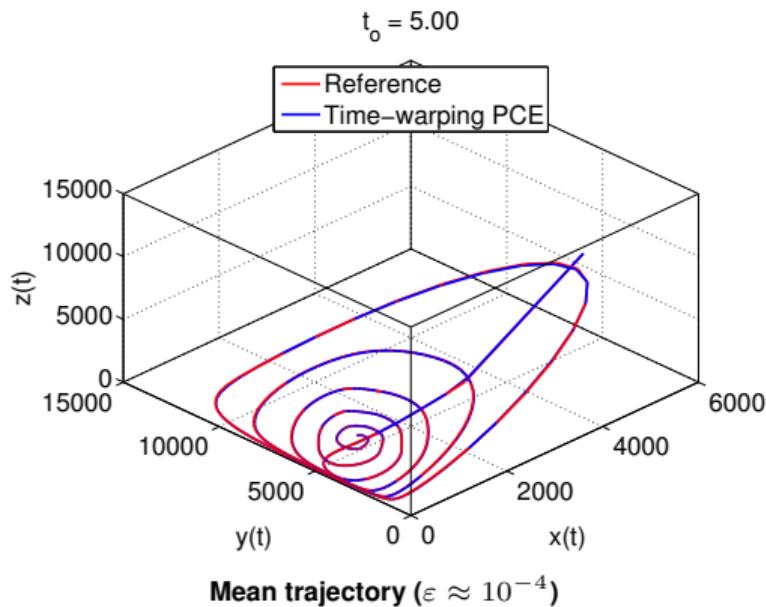
- Experimental design of size $n = 50$
- Validation set of size $n_{val} = 10,000$



$\varepsilon = 0.0294$



Oregonator model: mean and std trajectories

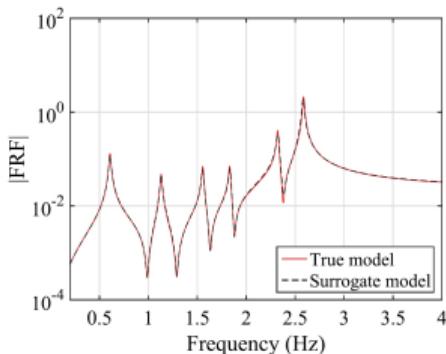
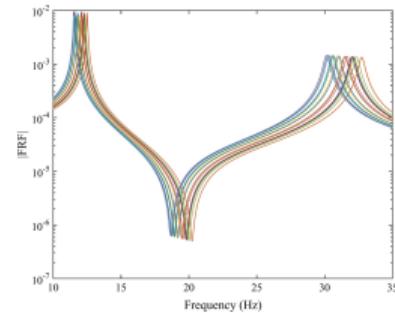


Dynamics in the frequency domain

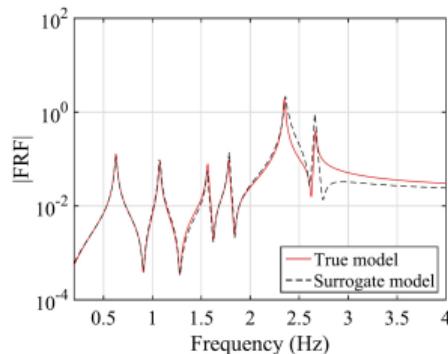
Premise

Vaghoubi, Marelli & Sudret, Prob. Eng. Mech. (2017)

- Frequency response functions (FRF) allow one to compute the response to harmonic excitation
- In case of uncertain system properties (masses, stiffness coefficients) the resonance frequencies are shifted



(a) Typical FRF prediction



(b) Worst FRF prediction

Nonlinear transient models: PC-NARX

Goal

Mai, Spiridonakos, Chatzi & Sudret, Int. J. Uncer. Quant. (2016)

Address uncertainty quantification problems for **earthquake engineering**, which involves transient, strongly non-linear mechanical models

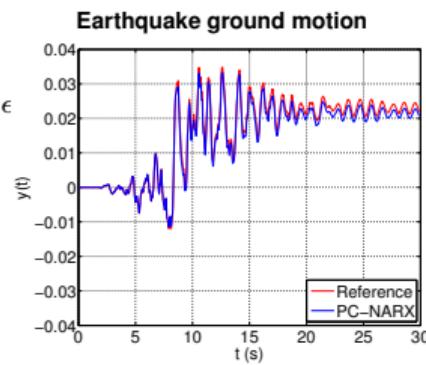
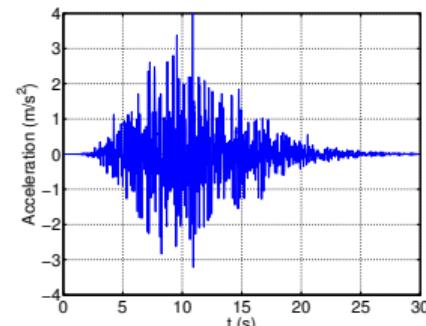
PC-NARX

- Use of **non linear autoregressive with exogenous input** models (NARX) to capture the dynamics:

$$y(t) = \mathcal{F}(x(t), \dots, x(t - n_x), y(t - 1), \dots, y(t - n_y)) + \epsilon_t \equiv \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{z}(t)) + \epsilon$$

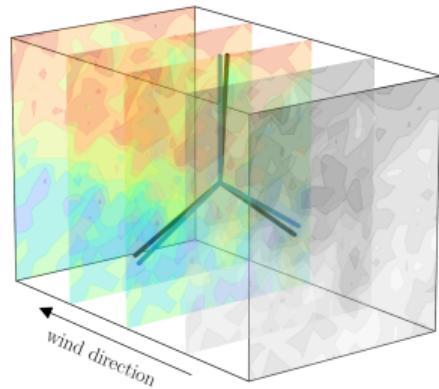
- Expand the NARX coefficients of different random trajectories onto a PCE basis

$$y(t, \xi) = \sum_{i=1}^{n_g} \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_i} \vartheta_{i,\alpha} \psi_\alpha(\xi) g_i(\mathbf{z}(t)) + \epsilon(t, \xi)$$

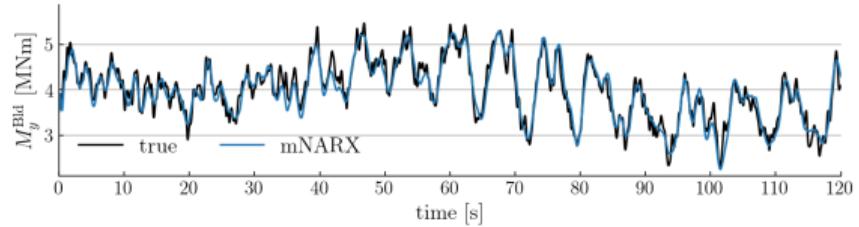


Wind turbine simulations: mNARX surrogate

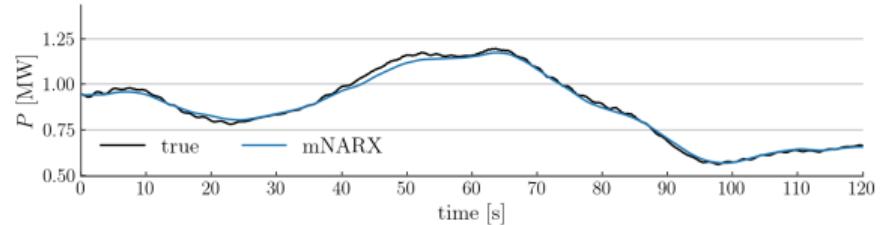
Movie-to-time series surrogate



Blade flapwise bending moment

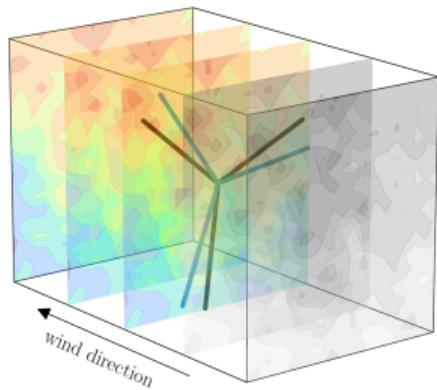


Generated power

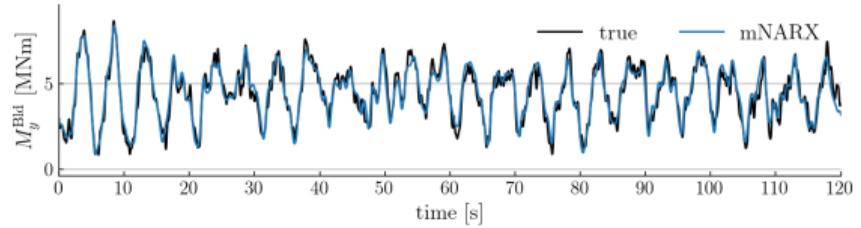


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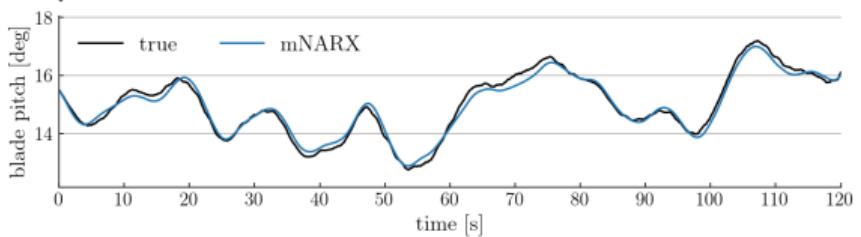
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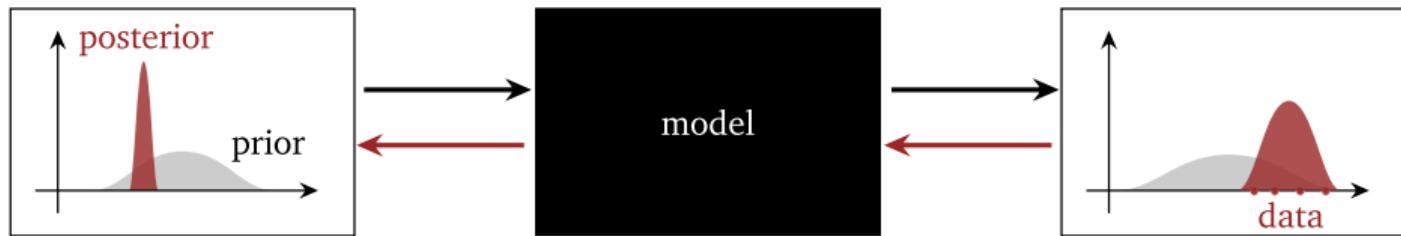
Dynamical systems

Bayesian calibration

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Bayesian inversion: framework

Consider a computational model \mathcal{M} with input parameters $\mathbf{X} \sim \pi(\mathbf{x})$



Bayesian inverse problem

$$\pi(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{Y}) = \frac{\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}; \mathcal{Y})\pi(\mathbf{x})}{Z} \quad \text{where} \quad Z = \int_{\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{X}}} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}; \mathcal{Y})\pi(\mathbf{x})d\mathbf{x}$$

with:

- $\mathcal{L} : \mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{X}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$: likelihood function (measure of how well the model fits the data)
- $\pi(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{Y})$: posterior density function

Bayesian inversion for model calibration

PCE as a surrogate of the forward model

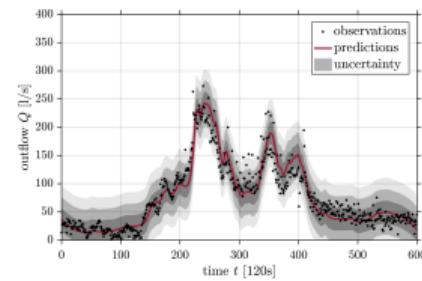
- Used in conjunction with Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) simulation

Application to sewer networks

Nagel, Rieckermann & Sudret, Reliab. Eng. Sys. Safety (2020)

Application to fire insulation panels

Wagner, Fahrni, Klippl, Frangi & Sudret, Eng. Struc. (2020)



Spectral likelihood expansions

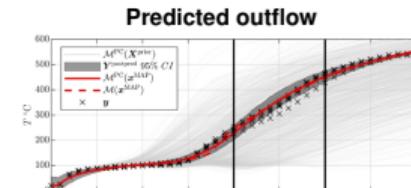
- The likelihood function is expanded with a PCE, which leads to analytical solutions for **posterior distributions and moments**

Nagel & Sudret, J. Comp. Phys. (2016)

- Stochastic spectral embedding** for localized posteriors and adaptive designs

Marelli, Wagner, Lataniotis & Sudret, Int. J. Unc. Quant. (2021)

Marelli, Wagner, & Sudret, J. Comput. Phys. (2021)



Predicted temperature

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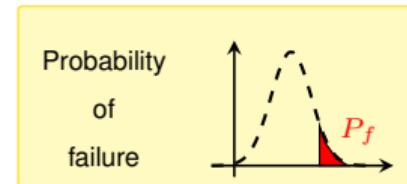
Reliability analysis: problem statement

- For the assessment of the system's performance, a **failure criterion** is defined, e.g. :

$$\text{Failure} \Leftrightarrow QoI = \mathcal{M}(x) \geq q_{adm}$$

Examples:

- + Admissible stress / displacements in civil engineering
- + Max. temperature in heat transfer problems



Limit state function

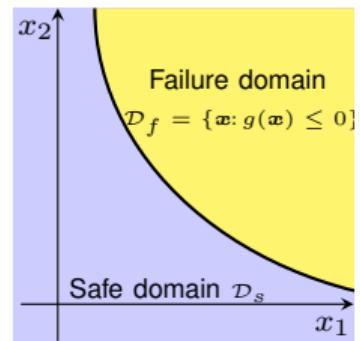
- Cast as a **limit state function** (performance function)
- $g : x \in \mathcal{D}_X \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ such that:

$$g(x, \mathcal{M}(x)) \leq 0 \quad \text{Failure domain } \mathcal{D}_f$$

$$g(x, \mathcal{M}(x)) > 0 \quad \text{Safety domain } \mathcal{D}_s$$

$$g(x, \mathcal{M}(x)) = 0 \quad \text{Limit state surface}$$

e.g. $g(x) = q_{adm} - \mathcal{M}(x)$

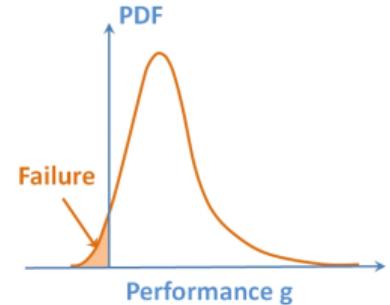


Probability of failure

Definition

$$P_f = \mathbb{P} (\{ \mathbf{X} \in D_f \}) = \mathbb{P} (g(\mathbf{X}, \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X})) \leq 0)$$

$$P_f = \int_{\mathcal{D}_f = \{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{X}} : g(\mathbf{x}, \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x})) \leq 0 \}} f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$



Features

- Multidimensional integral, whose dimension is equal to the number of basic input variables $M = \dim \mathbf{X}$
- Implicit domain of integration defined by a condition related to the sign of the limit state function:

$$\mathcal{D}_f = \{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{X}} : g(\mathbf{x}, \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x})) \leq 0 \}$$

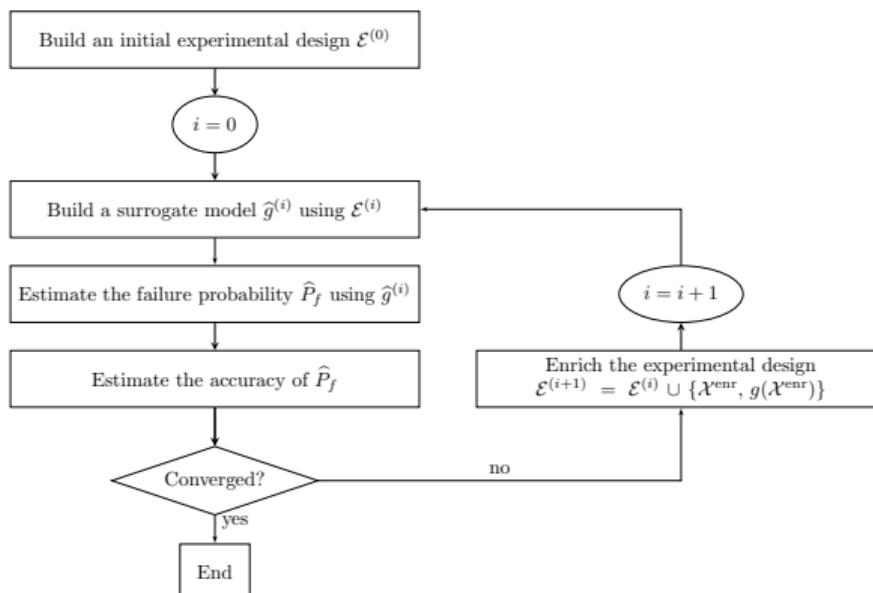
- Failures are (usually) rare events: sought probability in the range 10^{-2} to 10^{-8}

Active learning reliability framework

Bichon *et al.* (2008, 2011), Echard *et al.* (2011)

Principle

A surrogate model is built by **iteratively** enriching the experimental design $\mathcal{E} = \{\mathcal{X}, g(\mathcal{X})\}$ (using a **learning function**) so as to be accurate in the **vicinity of the limit-state surface**



Surrogate: Gaussian process (Kriging) model

Rasmussen & Williams (2006)

- Kriging assumes that $g(x)$ is a trajectory of an underlying Gaussian process

$$g(x) = \beta^T f(x) + \sigma^2 Z(x; \theta)$$

$\beta^T f(x)$: trend - $Z(x)$: zero-mean, Gaussian process with covariance function $\sigma^2 R(x, x'; \theta)$

- The experimental design response \mathcal{Y} and the response $\hat{g}(x)$ for a new point x are jointly Gaussian

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \hat{g}(x) \\ \mathcal{Y} \end{Bmatrix} \sim \mathcal{N}_{N+1} \left(\begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{f}(x)^T \beta \\ \mathbf{F}\beta \end{Bmatrix}, \sigma^2 \begin{Bmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{r}^T(x) \\ \mathbf{r}(x) & \mathbf{R} \end{Bmatrix} \right)$$

- The prediction is given by the **conditional mean** $\mu_{\hat{g}(x)}$ and **variance** $\sigma_{\hat{g}(x)}^2$

$$\mu_{\hat{g}(x)} = \mathbf{f}^T(x)\hat{\beta} + \mathbf{r}^T(x)\mathbf{R}^{-1}(\mathcal{Y} - \mathbf{F}\hat{\beta})$$

$$\sigma_{\hat{g}(x)}^2 = \hat{\sigma}^2 \left(1 - \mathbf{r}^T(x)\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{r}(x) + \mathbf{u}^T(x)(\mathbf{F}^T\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{F})^{-1}\mathbf{u}(x) \right)$$

$$R_{ij} = R\left(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \mathbf{x}^{(j)}; \hat{\gamma}\right) \cdot \mathbf{r}(x) = R\left(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}^{(i)}; \hat{\gamma}\right) \cdot \mathbf{F} = F_{ij} = f_j\left(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}\right)$$

- $\{\hat{\beta}, \hat{\sigma}^2, \hat{\theta}\}$ are estimated by **maximum likelihood**

Polynomial-Chaos Kriging

Schöebi *et al.* (2015,2016)

- Universal Kriging with a sparse PCE model as trend

$$\mathcal{M}(x) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} y_\alpha \Psi_\alpha(\mathbf{X}) + \sigma^2 Z(x)$$

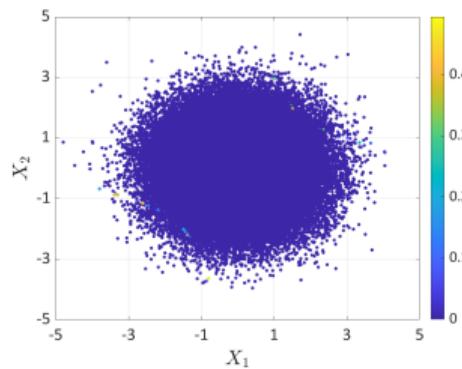
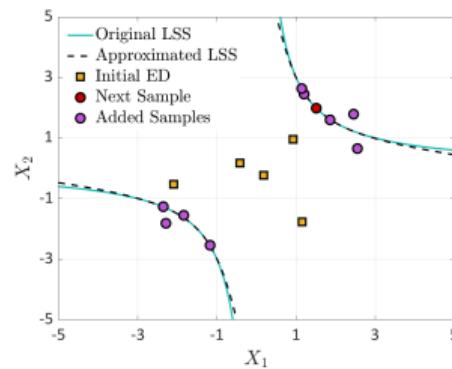
- Combines advantages of both PCE and Kriging:
 - PCE approximates the **global behaviour** of the model
 - Kriging captures **local variations** and provides the built-in **local error estimation** through the Kriging variance
- Both the coefficients of the expansion $\{y_\alpha, \alpha \in \mathcal{A}\}$ and the auto-correlation parameters $\hat{\theta}$ are calibrated

Active Kriging - Monte Carlo simulation (AK-MCS)

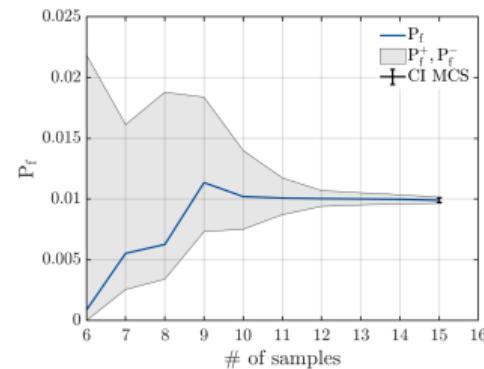
Echard et al. (2011)

- Gaussian process model to emulate the limit-state
- ED locally enriched using the deviation number

$$U(\boldsymbol{x}) = \frac{|\mu_{\hat{g}}(\boldsymbol{x})|}{\sigma_{\hat{g}}(\boldsymbol{x})}$$



- Probability of failure estimated using Monte Carlo simulation
- Convergence assumed when U is sufficiently large

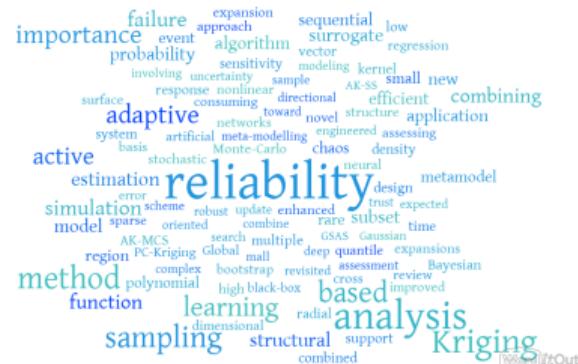


Active learning reliability methods

Teixeira et al. (2021), Moustapha et al. (2022)

Numerous papers on active learning called AK-XXX-YYY in the last few years!

- AK-MCS is a cornerstone for the development of active learning reliability strategies
- Most methods in the literature are built by modifying:
 - the surrogate model
 - the algorithm for reliability estimation
 - the learning function
 - the stopping criterion



A module-oriented survey

Moustapha *et al.* (2022)

	Monte Carlo simulation	Subset simulation	Importance sampling	Other
Kriging	Bichon et. al (2008) Echard et. al (2011) Hu & Mahadevan (2016) Wen et al. (2016)) Fauriat & Gayton (2017) Jian et. al (2017) Peijuan et al. (2017) Sun et al. (2017) Lelievre et al. (2018) Xiao et al. (2018) Jiang et al. (2019) Tong et al. (2019) Wang & Shafeezadeh (2019) Wang & Shafeezadeh (SAMO, 2019) Zhang, Wang et al. (2019)	Huang et al. (2016) Tong et al. (2015) Ling et al. (2019) Zhang et al. (2019)	Dubourg et al. (2012) Balesdent et al. (2013) Echard et al. (2013) Cadini et al. (2014) Liu et al. (2015) Zhao et al. (2015) Gaspar et al. (2017) Razaaly et al. (2018) Yang et al. (2018) Zhang & Taflanidis (2018) Pan et al. (2020) Zhang et al. (2020)	Lv et al. (2015) Bo & HuiFeng (2018) Guo et al. (2020)
PCE	Chang & Lu (2020) Marelli & Sudret (2018) Pan et al. (2020)			
SVM	Basudhar & Missoum (2013) Lacaze & Missoum (2014) Pan et al. (2017)	Bourinet et al. (2011) Bourinet (2017)		
RSM/RBF	Li et al. (2018) Shi et al. (2019)			Rajakeshir (1993) Rous-souly et al. (2013)
Neural networks	Chojazyk et al. (2015) Gomes et al. (2019) Li & Wang (2020) [Deep NN]	Sundar & Shields (2016)	Chojazyk et al. (2015)	
Other	Schoebi & Sudret (2016) Sadoughi et al. (2017) Wagner et al. (2021)			

— U — EFF — Other variance-based — Distance-based — Bootstrap-based — Sensitivity-based — Cross-validation/Ensemble-based — ad-hoc/other

General framework

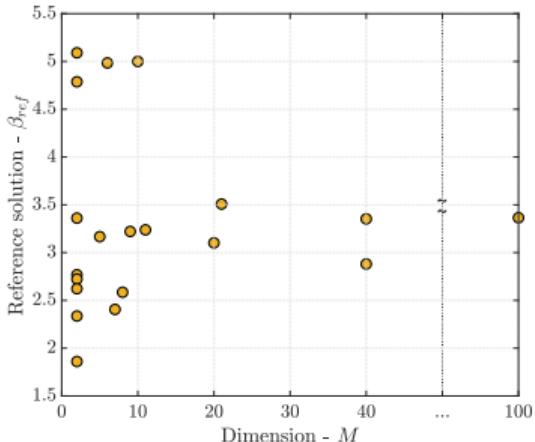
Moustapha, M., Marelli, S., Sudret, B. (2022). Active learning for structural reliability: Survey, general framework and benchmark. Structural Safety 96.

Modular framework which consists of independent blocks that can be assembled in a black-box fashion

Surrogate model	Reliability estimation	Learning function	Stopping criterion
Kriging	Monte Carlo	U	LF-based
PCE	Subset simulation	EFF	Stability of β
SVR	Importance sampling	FBR	Stability of P_f
PC-Kriging	Line sampling	CMM	Bounds on β
Neural networks	Directional sampling	SUR	Bounds on P_f
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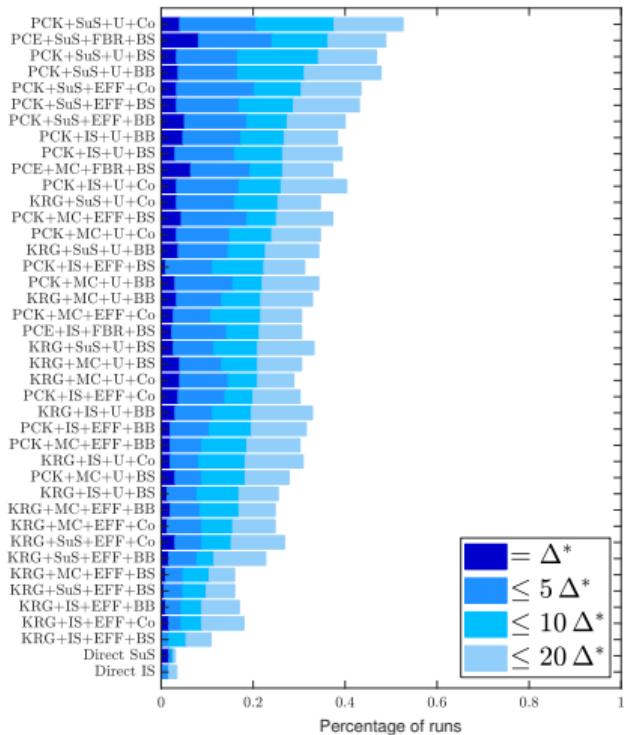
Extensive benchmark: selected problems

- 20 problems selected from the literature
- 11 come from the TNO benchmark
(<https://rprepo.readthedocs.io/en/latest/>)
- Wide spectrum of problems in terms of
 - Dimensionality
 - Reliability index $\beta = -\Phi^{-1}(P_f)$



Problem	M	$P_{f, \text{ref}}$	Reference
01 (TNO RP14)	5	$7.69 \cdot 10^{-4}$	Rozsas & Slobbe 2019
02 (TNO RP24)	2	$2.90 \cdot 10^{-3}$	Rozsas & Slobbe 2019
03 (TNO RP28)	2	$1.31 \cdot 10^{-7}$	Rozsas & Slobbe 2019
04 (TNO RP31)	2	$3.20 \cdot 10^{-3}$	Rozsas & Slobbe 2019
05 (TNO RP38)	7	$8.20 \cdot 10^{-3}$	Rozsas & Slobbe 2019
06 (TNO RP53)	2	$3.14 \cdot 10^{-2}$	Rozsas & Slobbe 2019
07 (TNO RP54)	20	$9.79 \cdot 10^{-4}$	Rozsas & Slobbe 2019
08 (TNO RP63)	100	$3.77 \cdot 10^{-4}$	Rozsas & Slobbe 2019
09 (TNO RP7)	2	$9.80 \cdot 10^{-3}$	Rozsas & Slobbe 2019
10 (TNO RP107)	10	$2.85 \cdot 10^{-7}$	Rozsas & Slobbe 2019
11 (TNO RP111)	2	$7.83 \cdot 10^{-7}$	Rozsas & Slobbe 2019
12 (4-branch series)	2	$3.85 \cdot 10^{-4}$	Echard et al. (2011)
13 (Hat function)	2	$4.40 \cdot 10^{-3}$	Schoebi et al. (2016)
14 (Damped oscillator)	8	$4.80 \cdot 10^{-3}$	Der Kiureghian (1990)
15 (Non-linear oscillator)	6	$3.47 \cdot 10^{-7}$	Echard et al. (2011,2013)
16 (Frame)	21	$2.25 \cdot 10^{-4}$	Echard et al. (2013)
17 (HD function)	40	$2.00 \cdot 10^{-3}$	Sadoughi et al. (2017)
18 (VNL function)	40	$1.40 \cdot 10^{-3}$	Bichon et al. (2008)
19 (Transmission tower 1)	11	$5.76 \cdot 10^{-4}$	FEM (172 bars, 51 nodes)
20 (Transmission tower 2)	9	$6.27 \cdot 10^{-4}$	FEM (172 bars, 51 nodes)

Ranking of the strategies: efficiency



How many times a method ranks best according to efficiency Δ (resp. within 5, 10, 20 times the best)?

$$\Delta = \varepsilon_\beta \frac{N_{\text{eval}}}{\bar{N}_{\text{eval}}}$$

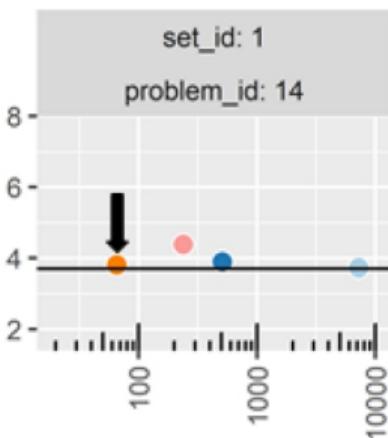
where \bar{N}_{eval} is the median number of model evaluations for a particular problem (over all methods and replications)

- Best approach: PC-Kriging + SuS + U + Combined stopping criterion
- Worst approaches: Direct SuS and Direct IS

TNO Benchmark: performance of UQLab “ALR” module

Rozsas & Slobbe (2019)

- Truly black-box benchmark with 27 problems
- Limit state functions not known to the participants and only accessible through an anonymous server
- Our solution: the “best approach” previously highlighted (PCK + SuS + U + Co)



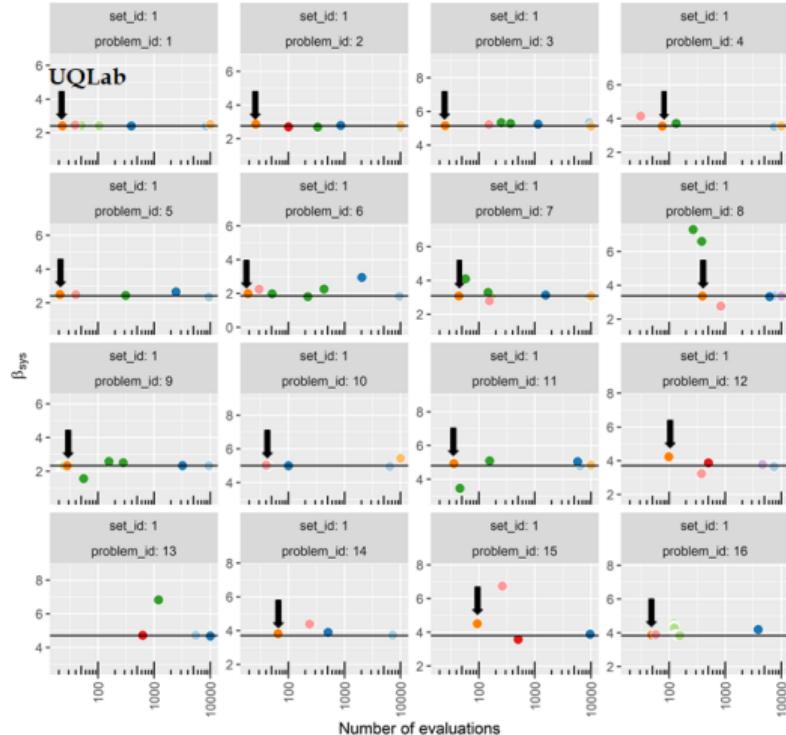
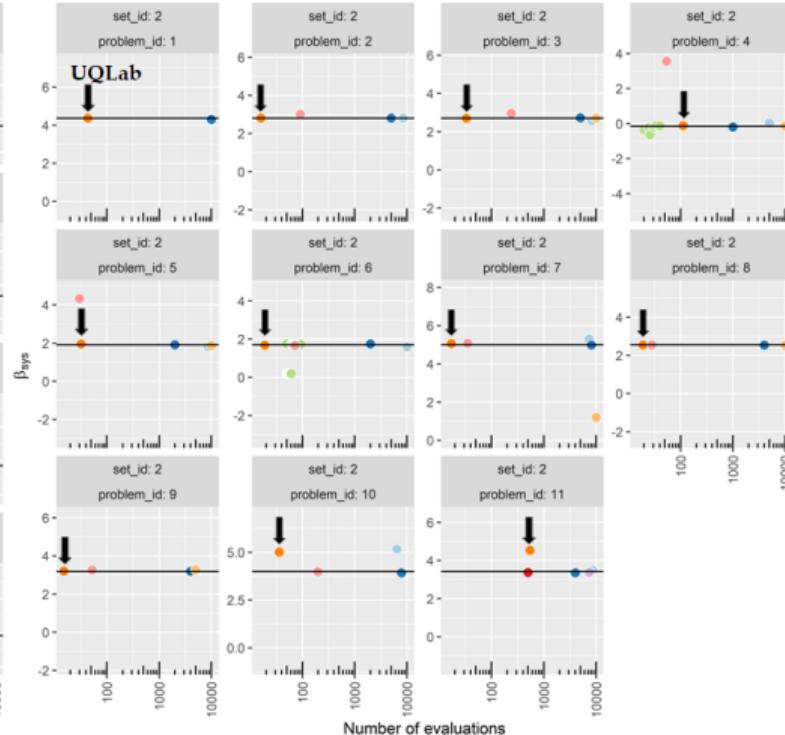
Summary plot (TNO)

- Reference solution: black line
- Zero, one or more points per participant
- X: number of runs (**log scale**)
- Y: obtained β index

best approach: “on the line / to the left”

TNO Benchmark: performance of UQLab “ALR” module

Rozsas & Slobbe (2019)

**Component reliability****System reliability**

Conclusions

- Surrogate models are unavoidable for solving uncertainty quantification problems involving costly computational models (e.g. finite element models)
- Depending on the analysis, specific surrogates are most suitable: polynomial chaos expansions for distribution- and sensitivity analysis, Kriging (and active learning) for reliability analysis
- Sparse PCE and its extensions (time warping, PC-NARX, PC-Kriging, DRSM, etc.) allow us to address a wide range of engineering problems, including Bayesian inverse problems (without the need for MCMC simulations)
- Techniques for constructing surrogates are versatile, general-purpose and field-independent
- All the presented algorithms are available in the general-purpose uncertainty quantification software UQLab

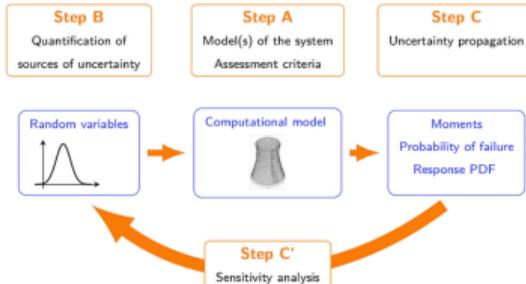
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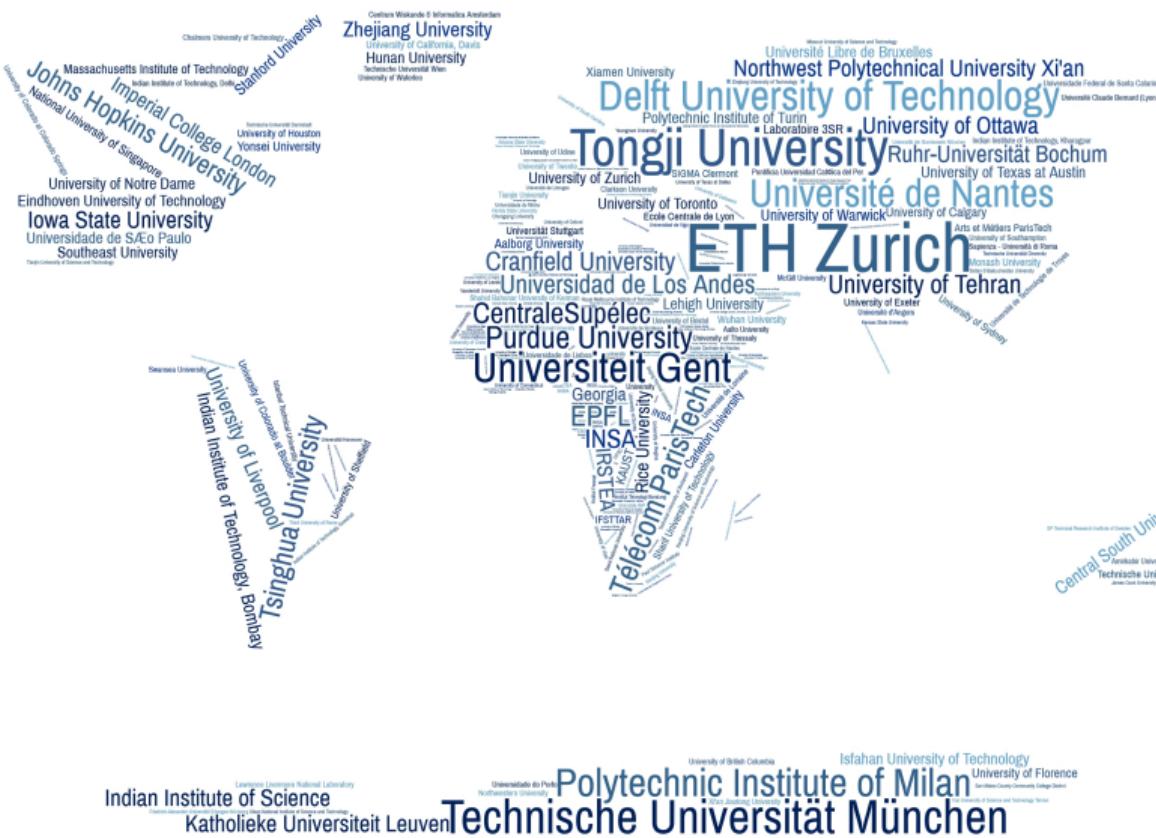
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- Available with **python bindings** for beta testing
<https://uqpylab.uq-cloud.io/>

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