

# Linear and Nonlinear Schemes for Forward Model Reduction and Inverse Problems

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**Part II.1**

**Reduced Order Modelling of Parametrized PDEs**

**Motivations and Linear Approximation**

## Elliptic PDE:

$$-\nabla \cdot (a(x)\nabla u(x)) + \sigma(x)u(x) = f(x), \quad \forall x \in \Omega$$

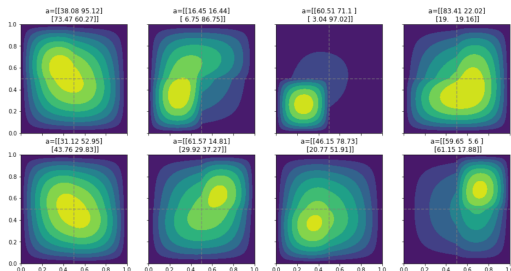
$$u(x) = 0, \quad \forall x \in \partial\Omega.$$

Solution space:  $u(\theta) \in V = H_0^1(\Omega)$  with  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ .

Parameters:  $\theta = \{a, \sigma\} \subset L^\infty(\Omega) \times L^\infty(\Omega)$  or simply  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^p$ .



$$a(x) = \sum_{i=1}^4 a_i \mathbb{1}_{\Omega_i}(x)$$



## Pure transport PDEs:

$$\partial_t u(t, x) + a(t, x) \cdot \nabla_x u(t, x) = f(t, x),$$

$$u(t, x) = g(t, x),$$

$$u(t = 0, x) = u_0(x),$$

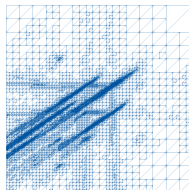
$$\forall (t, x) \in \mathbb{T} \times \Omega$$

$$\forall (t, x) \in \mathbb{T} \times \partial\Omega_-$$

$$\forall x \in \Omega.$$

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Parameters:  $\theta = a \in \Theta$



## Conservation laws:

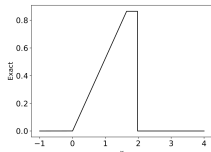
$$\partial_t u + f(u; \theta) = 0$$

$$u(t=0) = u_0$$

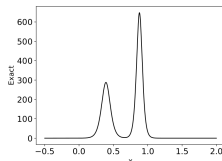
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Structure:  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u(t, x) dx = 1$ .

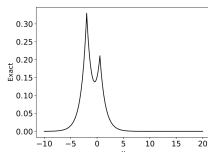
Parameters:  $\theta \in \Theta$



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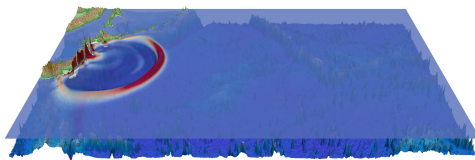
Camassa-Holm

## Hamiltonian systems:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{u}(t, \theta) &= J_{2N} \nabla_u \mathcal{H}(u(t, \theta), \theta), \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{T} := (0, T] \\ u(0, \theta) &= u_0(\theta) \end{cases}$$

where:

- $u(t, x) \in \mathcal{C}^1(\mathbb{T}; \mathbb{R}^{2N})$  is the state variable,
- $J_{2N} \in \mathbb{R}^{2N \times 2N}$  is skew-symmetric,
- $\mathcal{H}$  is the Hamiltonian,
- $\theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^P$  is a vector of parameter.



Shallow-water





**Starting point:** Let  $(V, d)$  be a Banach space, and let

$$\mathcal{B}(u; \theta) = 0$$

be an operator equation where the solution

$$u = u(\theta) \in V$$

for parameters  $\theta$  in a compact set  $\Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^p$ .

**Parameter-to-solution map:**  $u : \Theta \rightarrow V$

$$\theta \mapsto u(\theta)$$

**Solution manifold:**  $\mathcal{M} := \text{Im}(u) = u(\Theta) = \{u(\theta) : \theta \in \Theta\} \subset V$

**Note that we are working with a particular decoder map:**

$\mathcal{M}$  is a nonlinear set of the form

$$V_p = \{D(c) : c \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^p\} \subset V$$

where  $D = u$ , and  $c = \theta$

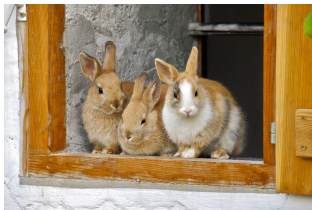
Relevant problem classes need to evaluate  $\theta \mapsto u(\theta)$  many-times:

- Parameter optimization
- Inverse problems
- Uncertainty quantification:  
if  $\theta \sim \rho \in \mathcal{P}(\Theta) \Rightarrow u(\theta) \sim u\#\rho \in \mathcal{P}(V)$ ?

**MOR** develops methods to approximate

$$\theta \mapsto u(\theta) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{M} := u(\Theta)$$

with **small complexity**.



We want to build a decoder, an algorithm  $A : \Theta \rightarrow V_n$  such that

$$A(\theta) \approx u(\theta), \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta.$$

To reduce complexity:

- Computing  $A(\theta)$  must be must faster compared to  $u(\theta)$ ...
- ... so  $A \neq u$ , and the dimension of  $V_n = \text{Im}(A)$  should be small.
- We have the freedom to choose  $V_n$ .

Performance of a given decoder map  $A : \Theta \rightarrow V_n$ :

- In the average sense:

$$\mathcal{E}^{\text{av}}(A) := \mathbb{E}_{\theta \sim \rho_\Theta}^{1/2} \left[ d^2(A(\theta), u(\theta)) \right].$$

- Worst case:

$$\mathcal{E}^{\text{max}}(A) := \max_{\theta \in \Theta} d(A(\theta), u(\theta)).$$

Ideally, we want to work with the best mapping, namely:

$$A^* \in \arg \min_{A: \Theta \rightarrow V_n} \mathcal{E}^\star(A), \quad \star \in \{\text{max}, \text{av}\}.$$

where the min. runs over all decoders  $A : \Theta \rightarrow V_n$  with  $\dim(V_n) = n$ .

If we search only among linear spaces  $V_n \subset V$ ,

$$\min_{\substack{A: \Theta \rightarrow V_n \\ V_n \text{ linear}}} \mathcal{E}^\star(A), \quad \star \in \{\max, \text{av}\},$$

is reached by

$$A^\star(\theta) = P_{V_n^{\text{opt}, \star}}(u(\theta))$$

for some optimal space  $V_n^{\text{opt}, \star}$ , and

$$d_n(\mathcal{M}) = \min_{\substack{A: \Theta \rightarrow V_n \\ V_n \text{ linear}}} \mathcal{E}^{\max}(A) \quad \text{Kolmogorov } n\text{-width}$$

$$d_n^{(2, \rho_\Theta)}(\mathcal{M}) = \min_{\substack{A: \Theta \rightarrow V_n \\ V_n \text{ linear}}} \mathcal{E}^{\text{av}}(A) \quad \text{Weighted Kolm. width (SVD)}$$

For  $\mathcal{M}$  the solution manifold of a parametric PDE:

- Elliptic/Parabolic Problems ([CD16]):

$$d_n(\mathcal{M}) \lesssim e^{-\alpha n^\beta}$$

- Pure transport, wave propagation ([BCOW17, GU19]):

$$d_n(\mathcal{M}) \geq Cn^{-1/2}$$

Need for nonlinear approximation beyond the elliptic case, but let us discuss linear approximation a bit further.

We can compute a sequence of  $(V_n)_n$  that gives the same decay rate as  $(V_n^{\text{opt}})_n$ . For this, we sample

$$\mathcal{M} \approx \tilde{\mathcal{M}} = \{u(\theta_1), \dots, u(\theta_K)\}$$

and then we run:

- a greedy algorithm (worst case).
- an SVD (average case).

Greedy algorithm:

- $n = 1$ : Choose  $u_1$  randomly or pick

$$u_1 = \arg \max_{u \in \tilde{\mathcal{M}}} \|u\|$$

$$U_1 = \{u_1\}$$

$$V_1 := \text{span}\{U_1\}$$

- $n > 1$ : Given  $U_{n-1}$  and  $V_{n-1}$ ,

$$u_n = \arg \max_{u \in \tilde{\mathcal{M}}} \|u - P_{V_{n-1}} u\|$$

$$U_n = U_{n-1} \cup \{u_n\}$$

$$V_n = \text{span}\{U_n\}$$

Theorem ([BCD<sup>+</sup>11, DPW13]):

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**Sampling:** Quality of  $V_n$  from the greedy algorithm depends on  $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}$ . Impact is difficult to quantify (see [CDDN20]).

## Galerkin Projection:

The mapping

$$A(\theta) = P_{V_n} u(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle u(\theta), \varphi_i \rangle u_i$$

requires computing  $u(\theta)$  so this  $A$  is **not admissible**.

If the PDE is uniformly inf-sup stable (coercive), we can replace the orthogonal projection by a computable **Galerkin projection**:

$$P_{V_n} u(\theta) \rightsquigarrow u_n(\theta) \in V_n.$$

**Example:** Suppose  $0 < \theta_{\min} \leq \theta \leq \theta_{\max}$ , and consider

$$\begin{aligned} -\theta \Delta u &= f \text{ in } \Omega \\ u &= 0, \text{ on } \partial\Omega \end{aligned}$$

Weak formulation: Find  $u(\theta) \in V = H_0^1(\Omega)$  s.t.

$$\underbrace{\theta \int_{\Omega} \nabla u(\theta) \cdot \nabla v}_{:=a(u,v;\theta)} = \underbrace{\int_{\Omega} f v}_{:=f(v)}, \quad \forall v \in H_0^1(\Omega).$$

Well-posed and stable iff there exist  $C, c > 0$  s.t.

$$a(v, v; \theta) \geq c \|v\|_V^2, \quad a(v, v; \theta) \leq C \|v\|_V^2, \quad \forall v \in V, \forall \theta \in \Theta.$$

Galerkin projection in reduced space: Find  $u_n(\theta) \in V_n$  s.t.

$$\underbrace{\theta \int_{\Omega} \nabla u_n(\theta) \cdot \nabla v}_{:=a(u,v;\theta)} = \underbrace{\int_{\Omega} f v}_{:=f(v)}, \quad \forall v \in V_n.$$

We then have

$$\|u(\theta) - P_{V_n} u(\theta)\|_V \sim \|u(\theta) - u_n(\theta)\|_V \sim \mathcal{R}(\theta) := \|a(u_n(\theta), \cdot, \theta) - f(\cdot)\|_{V'}.$$

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- $n > 1$ : Given  $U_{n-1}$  and  $V_{n-1}$ ,

$$u_n = \arg \max_{u \in \tilde{\mathcal{M}}} \|u - P_{V_{n-1}} u\| \rightsquigarrow \theta_n \in \arg \max_{\theta \in \tilde{\Theta}} \mathcal{R}(\theta) \rightsquigarrow u_n(\theta_n)$$

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Linear approximation is a very solid approach for MOR of elliptic problems.

**Part II.2**

**Reduced Order Modelling of Parametrized PDEs**

**Nonlinear Approximation**

The main idea is:

- $V$  Hilbert space.
- Compute SVD for a small dimension  $n$ :

$$V_n = \text{span}\{\varphi_i\}_{i=1}^n \quad (\text{ONB}), \quad V = V_n \oplus V_n^\perp.$$

- For every  $\theta \in \Theta$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} u(\theta) &= P_{V_n} u(\theta) + P_{V_n^\perp} u(\theta) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n a_i(\theta) \varphi_i + P_{V_n^\perp} u(\theta), \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta. \end{aligned}$$

- We want to use

$$a(\theta) := (a_1(\theta), \dots, a_n(\theta))$$

to approximate  $P_{V_n^\perp} u(\theta)$ . So we want to learn a decoder

$$D: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow V_n^\perp$$

such that

$$a \mapsto D(a(\theta)) \approx P_{V_n^\perp} u(\theta), \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta.$$

- How to parametrize  $V_n^\perp$ ?

- Compute SVD for a large dimension  $N \gg n \geq 1$ :

$$V_N = \text{span}\{\varphi_i\}_{i=1}^N \quad (\text{ONB})$$

Take

$$V_n \approx \text{span}\{\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n\}$$

$$V_n^\perp \approx \text{span}\{\varphi_{n+1}, \dots, \varphi_N\}$$

- Approximate

$$u(\theta) \approx u_N(\theta) := \sum_{i=1}^n a_i(\theta) \varphi_i + \sum_{j>n}^N b_j(\theta) \varphi_j, \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta,$$

where the ideal  $a_i$  and  $b_j$  are

$$a_i(\theta) := \langle u(\theta), \varphi_i \rangle_V, \quad \text{and} \quad b_j(\theta) := \langle u(\theta), \varphi_j \rangle_V.$$

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- Build mappings

$$b_j : \Theta \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$\theta \mapsto b_j(\theta) = \psi_j \underbrace{(a_1(\theta), \dots, a_n(\theta))}_{:=a(\theta)}, \quad n < j \leq N$$

for a well chosen  $\psi_j : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .



Choose  $\psi_j$  among a class  $\mathcal{F}$  of (parametrized) decoder functions from  $\mathbb{F}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})$  and do empirical risk minimization:

$$\psi_j := \arg \min_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^K |\langle u(\theta_i), \varphi_j \rangle - f(\underbrace{a_1(\theta_i), \dots, a_n(\theta_i)}_{:=a(\theta_i)})| \right\}$$

In [CFSM23] they work with **neural networks**:

$$\mathcal{F} = \{ \mathcal{N}_c : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : c \in \mathbb{R}^q \}$$

Therefore

$$c_j^* \in \arg \min_{c \in \mathbb{R}^q} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^K |\langle u(\theta_i), \varphi_j \rangle - \mathcal{N}_c(a(\theta_i))| \right\}$$

$$\psi_j(a) = \mathcal{N}_{c_j^*}(a).$$

$$b_j(\theta) = \mathcal{N}_{c_j^*}(a(\theta)).$$

An alternative strategy is to build

$$D(\mathbf{a}(\theta)) \approx P_{V_n^\perp} \mathbf{u}(\theta)$$

by introducing the tensor product of the coefficients

$$\mathbf{a} \otimes \mathbf{a} = (a_1 a_1, a_1 a_2, \dots, a_1 a_n, a_2 a_1, \dots, a_n a_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2}$$

and then we search for the best basis vectors

$$\{\tilde{\varphi}_{i,j}\}_{1 \leq i,j \leq n} \subset V_n^\perp$$

to approximate

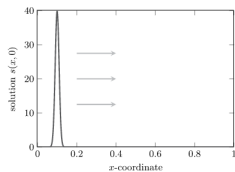
$$\mathbf{u}(\theta) \approx \sum_{i=1}^n a_i(\theta) \varphi_i + \sum_{1 \leq i,j \leq n} a_i(\theta) a_j(\theta) \tilde{\varphi}_{i,j}.$$

Compared to the previous approach:

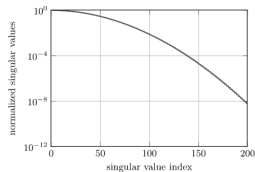
- The rule for the coefs is much simpler (quadratic VS neural network)
- Finding the  $\{\tilde{\varphi}_{i,j}\}_{1 \leq i,j \leq n}$  is more involved.

# Some results with quadratic approximation (from [GWW23])

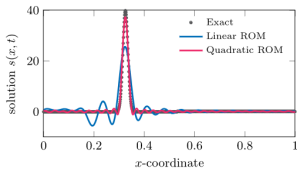
Pure transport  $\partial_t u + v \nabla_x u = 0$



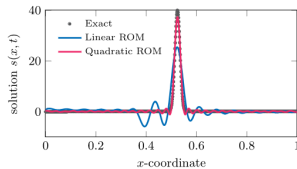
(a) Initial condition at  $\mu = 0.10$  and transport direction.



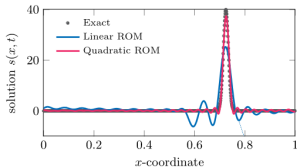
(b) Singular values.



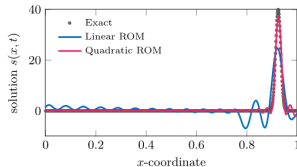
(a)  $t = .02$



(b)  $t = .04$



(c)  $t = .06$

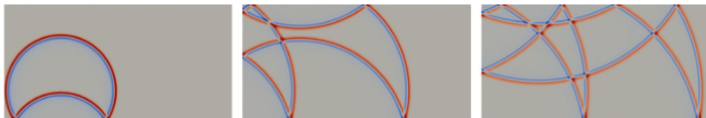


(d)  $t = .08$

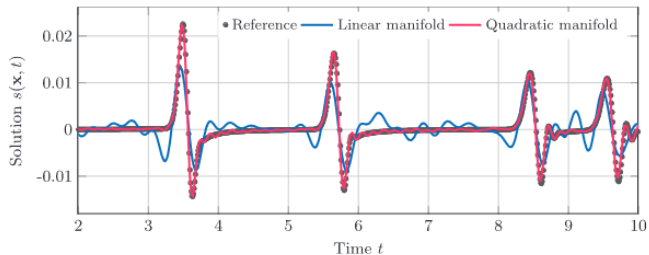
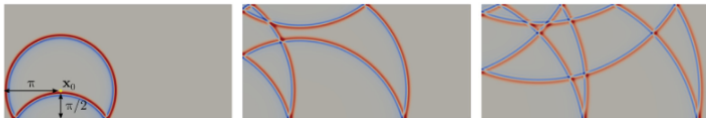
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Wave equation  $\partial_{tt}u - \Delta u = 0$

Operator Inference  
ROM (quadratic)



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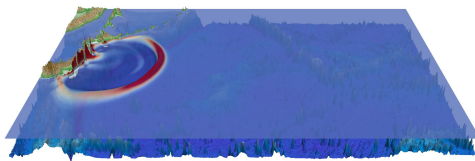


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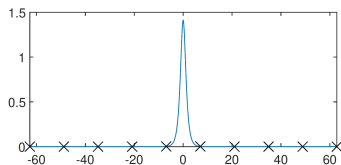
### Reduced Order Modelling of Parametrized PDEs

#### The role of geometry

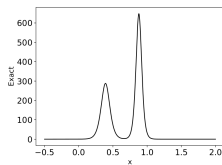
#### Hamiltonian Problems



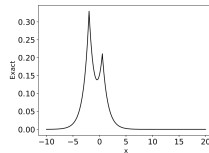
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where:

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- $J_{2N} \in \mathbb{R}^{2N \times 2N}$  is skew-symmetric,
- $\mathcal{H}$  is the Hamiltonian,
- $\theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^p$  is a vector of parameters.

Hamiltonian structure:

- Preservation of the Hamiltonian along trajectories:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{H}(u(t, \theta), \theta) = 0, \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{T}, \forall \theta \in \Theta.$$

- The flow map  $\varphi_t(y_0) = u(t)$  is a symplectic transformation:

$$\left( \frac{\partial \varphi_t}{\partial u_0} \right)^T J_{2N} \left( \frac{\partial \varphi_t}{\partial u_0} \right) = J_{2N}, \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{T}.$$

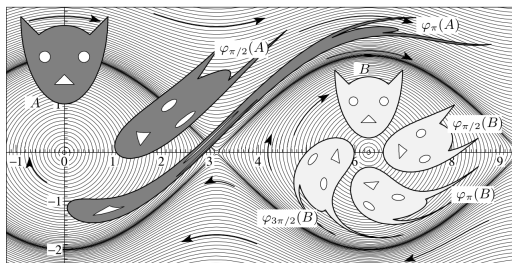


Figure: Area preservation of the flow [HWL10].



We consider for every  $t \in \mathbb{T}$ ,

$$\mathcal{M}(t) := \{u(t, \theta) : \theta \in \Theta\} \subset \mathbb{R}^{2N}, \quad \mathcal{M} = \cup_{t \in \mathbb{T}} \mathcal{M}(t),$$

and approximate

$$\mathcal{M}(t) \approx V_n(t).$$

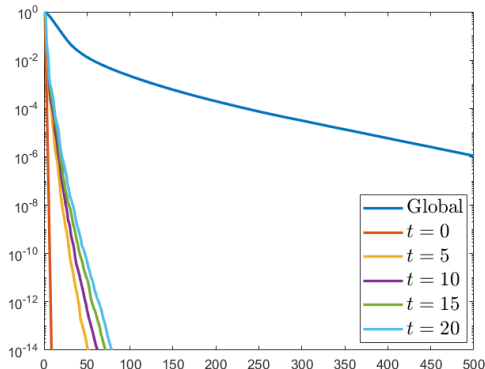
We then work with the **time-dependent linear ansatz**

$$u(t, \theta) \approx u_n(t, \theta) = \sum_{i=1}^{2n} c_i(t, \theta) v_i(t) \in V_n(t) = \text{span}\{v_i(t)\}_{i=1}^{2n} \subset \mathbb{R}^{2N}.$$

Such a strategy is called dynamical low rank.

Very efficient when

$$d_n(\mathcal{M}(t)) \ll d_n(\mathcal{M}), \quad \text{or} \quad d_n^{(2,\rho_\Theta)}(\mathcal{M}(t)) \ll d_n^{(2,\rho_\Theta)}(\mathcal{M})$$



SVD of  $\mathcal{M}(t)$  and  $\mathcal{M} = \cup_{t \in \mathbb{T}} \mathcal{M}(t)$

Starting from

$$\begin{cases} \dot{u}(t, \theta) &= J_{2N} \nabla_u \mathcal{H}(u(t, \theta), \theta), \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{T} := (0, T] \\ u(0, \theta) &= u_0(\theta) \end{cases}$$

with  $u(t, \theta) \in \mathbb{R}^{2N}$ , we approximate

$$u(t, \theta) \approx u_n(t, \theta) = \sum_{i=1}^{2n} c_i(t, \theta) v_i(t) = \mathbf{V}(t) \mathbf{c}(t, \theta),$$

where

$$V_n(t) := \{v_i(t)\}_{i=1}^{2n} \subset V = \mathbb{R}^{2N} \iff \mathbf{V}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{2N \times 2n}.$$

Hamiltonian symplectic preservation requires:

$$\mathbf{V}(t) \text{ orthosymplectic} \iff \begin{cases} \mathbf{V}(t)^T J_{2N} \mathbf{V}(t) = J_{2n}, \\ \mathbf{V}(t)^T \mathbf{V}(t) = I_{2n}. \end{cases}$$

Starting from a good  $V_n(0)$ , and  $c(0, \theta)$ , how to do the time integration?

- Consider the training set

$$\mathcal{U}(t) = [u(t, \theta_1), \dots, u(t, \theta_K)] \approx \mathbf{U}_{2n}(t) = \mathbf{V}(t)\mathbf{C}(t)$$

with

$$\mathbf{V}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{2N \times 2n} \quad (\text{basis})$$

$$\mathbf{C}(t) = (c_i(t, \theta_j))_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq 2n \\ 1 \leq j \leq K}} \in \mathbb{R}^{2n \times K}, \quad (\text{coefs})$$

- To have a symplectic low-rank integration, we require that

$$\mathbf{U}_{2n}(t) \in \mathcal{S} := \{U \in \mathbb{R}^{2N \times 2n} : U = VC \text{ with } V \in \mathcal{V}_{2n}, C \in \mathcal{C}_{2n}\}$$

and

$$\mathcal{V}_{2n} := \{V \in \mathbb{R}^{2N \times 2n} : V^T V = I_{2n}, V^T J_{2N} V = J_{2n}\} \quad (\text{orthosymplectic})$$

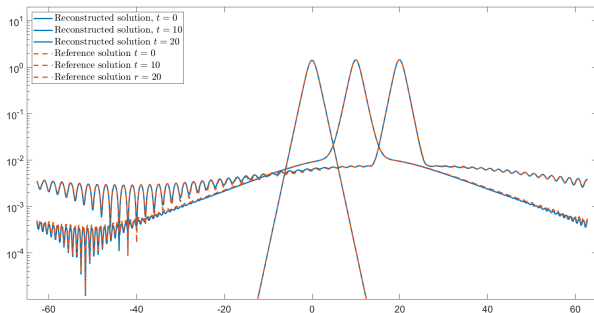
$$\mathcal{C}_{2n} := \{C \in \mathbb{R}^{2n \times K} : \text{rank}(C^T C + J_{2n}^T C C^T J_{2n}) = 2n\} \quad (\text{full rank})$$

- We then search for  $U \in \mathcal{C}^1(\mathbb{T}, \mathcal{S})$  such that

$$\dot{U}(t) = P_{T_S U(t)} J_{2N} \nabla H(U(t)) \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \dot{V}(t) = \dots \\ \dot{C}(t) = \dots \end{cases}$$

$$i \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \Delta u + |u|^2 u = 0 \quad \text{in } \mathbb{T} \times \Omega$$

$$u(t = 0, x, \theta) = (1 + \alpha \sin x)(2 + \beta \sin y)$$



2D: See video.

## Part II.3

### Reduced Order Modelling of Parametrized PDEs

#### The role of geometry

#### Conservation Laws, Measured-Valued problems, and the role of Optimal Transport



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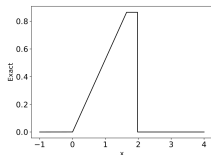
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## Measure-valued problems:

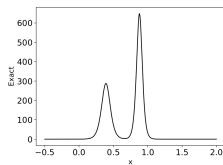
- Conservation laws (Burgers, Camassa-Holm, KdV)
- Fokker-Planck equations
- Wasserstein gradient flows (heat eq., porous media, Keller-Segel...)

If viewed in classical Banach spaces (e.g.,  $L^1(\Omega)$ ,  $L^2(\Omega)$ ), **slow decay of the Kolomogorov  $n$ -width** due to:

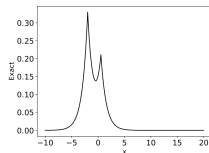
- Transport of shocks and discontinuities
- Non-smooth parameter dependence



Burgers



KdV

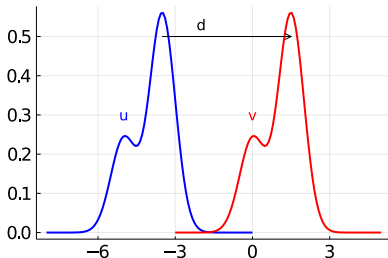


Camassa-Holm



Viewing solutions in  $(\mathcal{P}_2(\Omega), W_2)$  allows us:

- To **preserve mass**.
- To **penalize translations** through the metric  $W_2$ . This helps to locate shocks in MOR approximations.



$$W_2(u, v) = d,$$

$$L_1(u, v) = 2 \quad \text{as soon as } \text{supp}(u) \cap \text{supp}(v) = \emptyset$$

In the Hilbert setting, a linear approximation reads

$$u(\theta) \approx u_n(\theta) := \sum_{i=1}^n c_i(\theta) u_i \quad \in V_n = \text{span}\{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$$

where

$$\mathbf{U}_n = \{u_i\}_{i=1}^n$$

are  $n$  solution snapshots.

The analogue in the Wasserstein space is to work with barycenters

$$u(\theta) \approx \text{Bar}(\Lambda_n(\theta), \mathbf{U}_n) = \arg \min_{v \in \mathcal{P}_2(\Omega)} \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i(\theta) W_2^2(v, u_i)$$

where

$$\Lambda_n(\theta) \in \Sigma_n := \{z \in \mathbb{R}^n : \sum_{i=1}^n z_i = 1, z_i \geq 0\}$$

$$\text{Bar}(\Lambda_n, \mathbf{U}_n) = \arg \min_{\nu \in \mathcal{P}_2(\Omega)} \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i W_2^2(\nu, u_i).$$

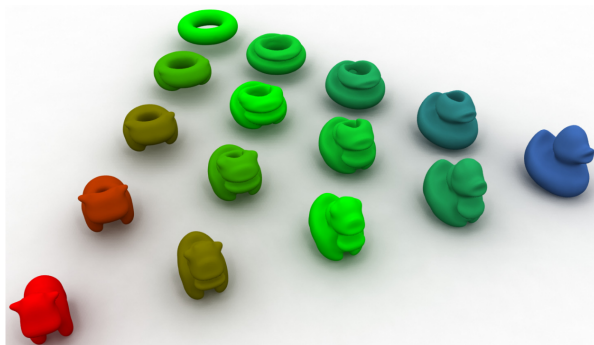


Figure: Image from [SDGP<sup>+</sup>15]

**Snapshot data/dictionary:**

$$\Theta_N := \{\theta_i\}_{i=1}^N, \quad \mathbf{U}_N := \{u_i = u(\theta_i)\}_{i=1}^N, \quad N \gg 1.$$

**Linear approximation:**

- **Hilbert spaces:** Find  $V_N^n$  with greedy algorithm, POD, etc.
- **$W_2$  space:** Find  $\mathbf{U}_N^n$  with a greedy barycenter algorithm ([ELMV20, BBE<sup>+</sup>22])

**Nonlinear version:** Given  $\theta \in \Theta$ ,

- **Hilbert:** Find  $V_N^n(\theta)$ .
- **$W_2$ :** Find  $n$  snapshots  $\mathbf{U}_N^n(\theta)$  among  $\mathbf{U}_N \rightarrow$  **sparse barycenters.**

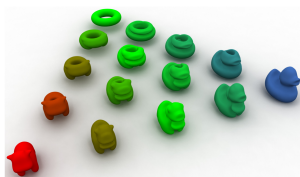
**Our contribution:** We give an algorithm to approximate the optimal  $\mathbf{U}_N^n(\theta)$  and weights  $\Lambda_N^n(\theta)$ .

The class of  $n$ -sparse barycenters:

$$\mathcal{F} := \{\text{Bar}(\Lambda_N^n, \mathbf{U}_N) : \Lambda_N^n \in \Sigma_N^n\} \subset \mathcal{P}_2(\Omega)$$

where

$$\Sigma_N^n := \{\Lambda_N^n \in \Sigma_N : \#\text{supp}(\Lambda_N) = n\}.$$



**Example:** Suppose

$$\Lambda_N^n = (0, 0, \lambda_{i_1}, 0, \dots, \lambda_{i_2}, 0, \dots, \lambda_{i_n}, 0, \dots, 0) \in \Sigma_N^n$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Bar}(\Lambda_N^n, \mathbf{U}_N) &= \arg \min_{v \in \mathcal{P}_2(\Omega)} \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i W_2^2(v, u_i) \\ &= \arg \min_{v \in \mathcal{P}_2(\Omega)} \lambda_{i_1} W_2^2(v, u_{i_1}) + \dots + \lambda_{i_n} W_2^2(v, u_{i_n}) \end{aligned}$$

We want to build  $A : \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  such that

$$A(\theta) \approx u(\theta), \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta.$$

Performance of a map  $A : \Theta \mapsto \mathcal{F}$ :

- In the average sense:

$$\mathcal{E}^{\text{av}}(A) := \mathbb{E}_{\theta \sim \rho_{\Theta}} \left[ W_2^2(A(\theta), u(\theta)) \right].$$

- Worst case:

$$\mathcal{E}^{\text{max}}(A) := \max_{\theta \in \Theta} W_2(A(\theta), u(\theta)).$$

We want to work with the best mapping, namely:

$$A^* \in \arg \min_{A: \Theta \mapsto \mathcal{F}} \mathcal{E}^{\star}(A), \quad \star \in \{\text{max}, \text{av}\}.$$

For both performance benchmarks, the optimal map is to choose

$$A^*(\theta) \in \arg \min_{b \in \mathcal{F}} W_2(\mathbf{u}(\theta), b),$$

that is,

$$A^*(\theta) = \text{Bar}(\Lambda_N^n(\theta), U_N), \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \Lambda_N^n(\theta) \in \arg \min_{\Lambda_N^n \in \Sigma_N^n} W_2^2(\mathbf{u}(\theta), \text{Bar}(\Lambda_N^n, U_N)).$$

$\implies$  Best  $n$ -term barycenter for  $\mathbf{u}(\theta)$ .

$\implies$  Implementable only if we know  $\mathbf{u}(\theta)$ .

As an alternative, consider

$$\min_{\Lambda_N^n \in \Sigma_N^n} \sum_{i=1}^N |W_2^2(\mathbf{u}(\theta), u(\theta_i)) - W_2^2(\text{Bar}(\Lambda_N^n, U_N), u(\theta_i))|^2.$$

$\mathbf{u}(\theta)$  is still present, BUT...

We can build a local Euclidean metric around each training point  $\theta_i \in \Theta_N$  in order to approximate

$$W_2^2(u(\theta), u(\theta_i)) \approx (\theta - \theta_i)^T M(\theta_i)(\theta - \theta_i), \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, N\}.$$

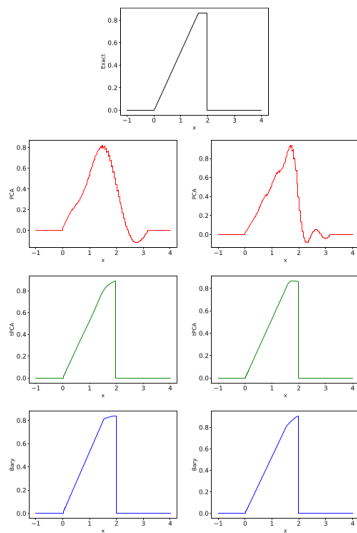
This yields the computable problem

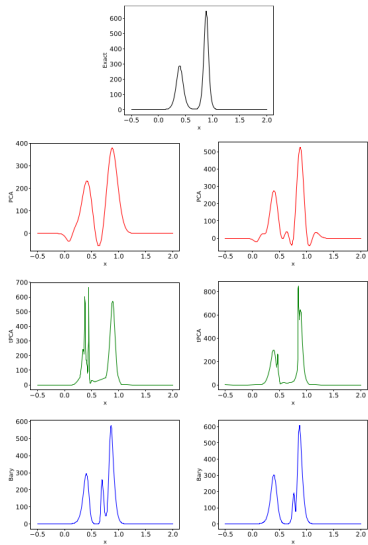
$$\Lambda_N^n(\theta) \in \min_{\Lambda_N^n \in \Sigma_N^n} \sum_{i=1}^N |(\theta - \theta_i)^T M(\theta_i)(\theta - \theta_i) - W_2^2(\text{Bar}(\Lambda_N^n, U_N), u(\theta_i))|^2.$$

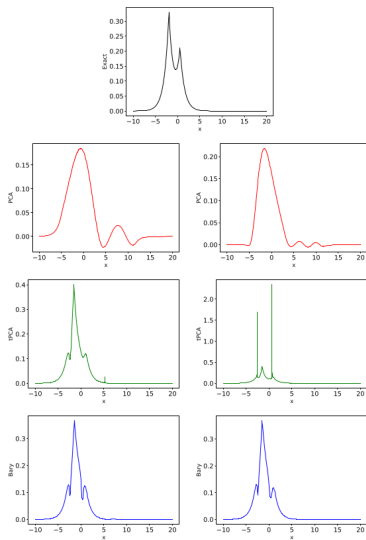
**Why is this a good construction?**

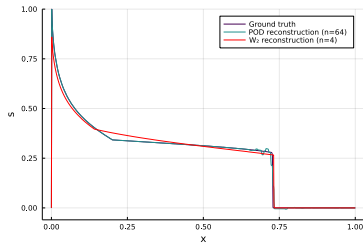
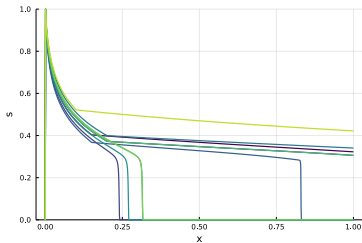
- Gives optimal map in simple cases (Diracs, translated Gaussians).
- Interpolation: if  $\theta_i \in \Theta_N$ ,  $\Lambda_N^n(\theta) = e_i$ .
- Invariant under affine reparametrizations in  $\Theta$
- Full adaptivity of the support w.r.t.  $\theta$  and without any extra heuristic.











See [BBE<sup>+</sup>22]: Wasserstein model reduction approach for parametrized flow problems in porous media. arXiv:2205.02721

**A Burgers' equation in 2D:** Let  $\Omega = [0, 1]^2$ . We want to solve  $\forall (t, x) \in [0, T] \times \Omega$ ,

$$\partial_t u + \frac{1}{2} \nabla_x (u^2) = \beta \Delta_r u$$

with a parametrized initial condition  $u_0$ .

Parameters, and associated solution:

$$\theta = (t, \beta, u_0), \quad u(\theta)(x) = u(t, \beta, u_0; x) \in \mathcal{P}_2(\Omega)$$

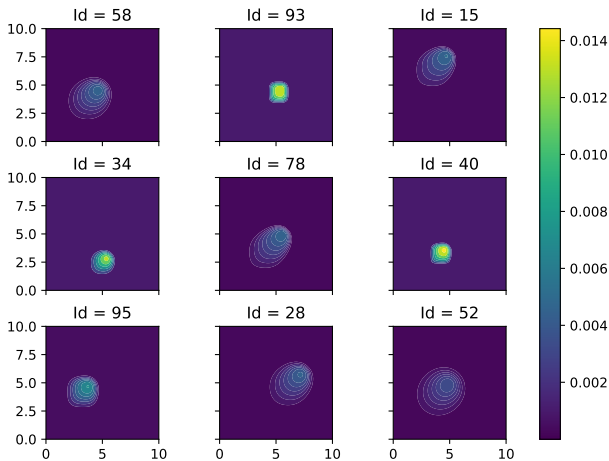


Figure: Some measures from the training set  $\mathcal{U}_N$ .

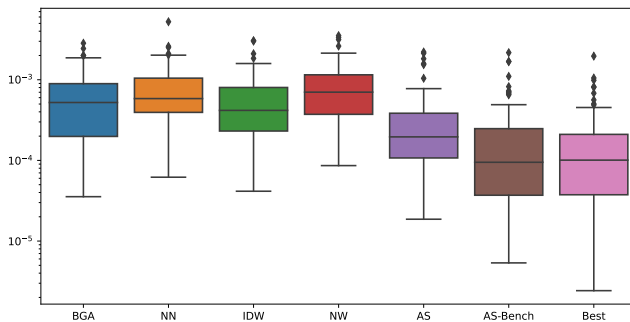


Figure: Approximation errors in the validation set.

# Comparison of different approaches

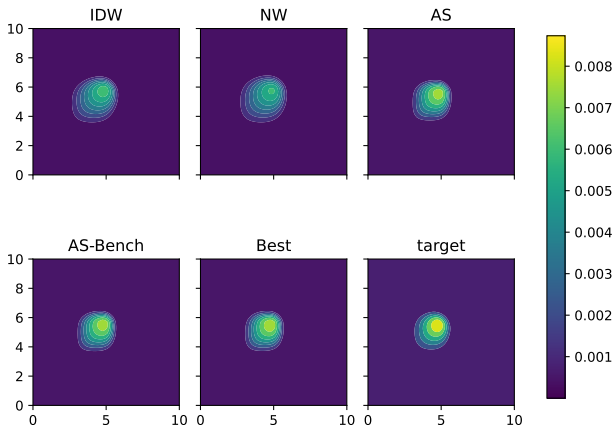




















Figure: Approximation of a sample from the validation set.



- 1) **Landscape for linear approximation is very complete nowadays.**
- 2) **Vibrant developments in nonlinear approximation.**
- 3) **Each PDE requires its own method:**
  - Elliptic and parabolic problems: Linear Approximation.
  - Nonlinear methods for other PDEs:
    - Nonlinear compressive MOR/Quadratic Manifold Learning
    - Exploiting geometry is a promising approach
      - Dynamical low rank
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