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Uncertainty Quantification in Large Scale Computational Models

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High dimensionality is a major challenge in forward UQ

- High dimensionality is the result of
 - Large number of uncertain parameters/inputs
 - Large number of degrees of freedom in random field inputs
- PCE sparse-quadrature requires an unfeasible number of model evaluations for very high dimensional systems
- Monte Carlo requires similarly large number of samples when the number of important dimensions is very high
 - However, typically, physical model output quantities of interest are *smooth* \Rightarrow Only a small number of inputs are important
- In this case, the way out is:
 - Use global sensitivity analysis (GSA) with Monte Carlo to identify important parameters
 - Use PCE sparse-quadrature on the reduced dimensional space for accurate forward UQ

Global sensitivity analysis: Sobol indices

Global sensitivity analysis (GSA) [\(Saltelli:2004,2008\)](#)

- For a given quantify of interest (Qol) ...
- Qol variance decomposed into contributions from each parameter
- Sobol indices rank parameters by their contributions [\(Sobol:2003\)](#)

$$\text{Total effect} \quad S_{T_i} = \frac{\mathbb{E}_{\lambda_{\sim i}}[\text{Var}_{\lambda_i}(f(\lambda)|\lambda_i)]}{\text{Var}(f(\lambda))}$$

S_{T_i} small \Rightarrow low impact parameter \Rightarrow fix value (eliminate dimension)

How to compute?

- Monte Carlo estimators [\(Saltelli:2002,2010\)](#) still prohibitive if used directly for large scale computational models

Hi-dimension with large-scale computational models

When the number of feasible samples for GSA is highly limited due to computational costs:

- Reliable MC-estimation of sensitivity indices requires regularization
- Presuming smoothness, use MC samples to fit a PCE, which is subsequently used to estimate the sensitivity indices
- Employ ℓ_1 -norm constrained regression to discover a sparse PCE
 - compressive sensing
- Employ Multilevel Monte Carlo (MLMC), as well as Multilevel Multifidelity (MLMF) methods
 - Optimal combination of coarse/fine mesh and low/high fidelity models to minimize computational costs for a given accuracy

Similarly for forward PC UQ:

- Employ generalized adaptive non-isotropic sparse quadrature with MLMF methods on reduced dimensional input space

Estimation of GSA Sobol' Indices with PC regularization

- When the number of samples is small, the GSA sensitivity indices can be computed with improved accuracy, relying on regularization
- Use regression with MC samples to fit a Legendre-Uniform PCE to the data

$$u(\boldsymbol{\xi}) = \sum c_k \Psi_k(\boldsymbol{\xi})$$

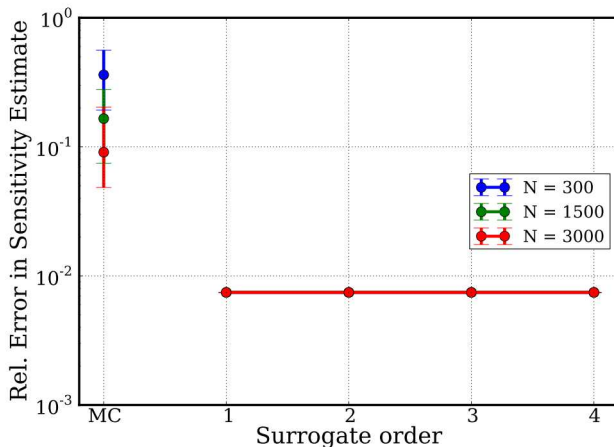
- Use PCE to evaluate Sobol Indices directly

Sargsyan, 2017

- Example results illustrate significant improvement over the direct estimation from samples

Estimation of GSA Sobol' Indices with PC regularization

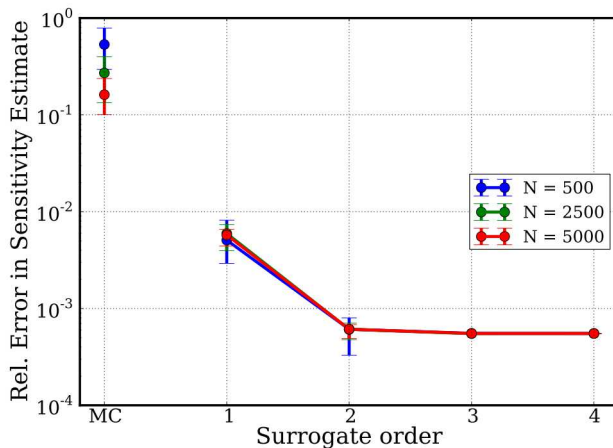
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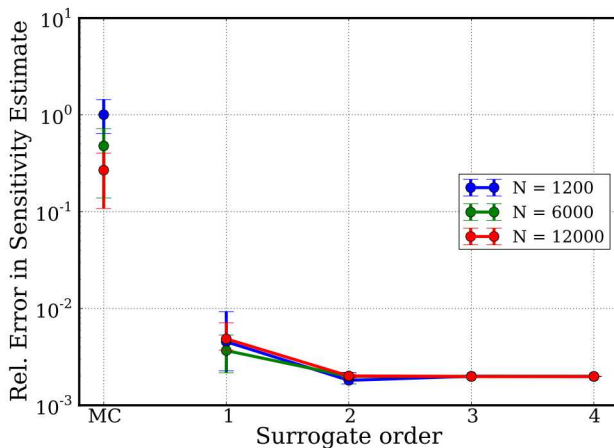
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Estimation of GSA Sobol' Indices with PC regularization

$$d = 10$$



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Sparse regression

Model:

$$y = f(\boldsymbol{\xi}) \simeq \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} c_k \Psi_k(\boldsymbol{\xi})$$

- With N samples $(\boldsymbol{\xi}^1, y^1), \dots, (\boldsymbol{\xi}^N, y^N)$, estimate K terms c_0, \dots, c_{K-1}

$$\min \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{c}\|_2^2$$

With $N \ll K \Rightarrow$ under-determined, need regularization

- Use ℓ_1 norm regularization to discover sparsity
- Compressive Sensing; LASSO; basis pursuit

$$\min \{\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{c}\|_2^2 + \|\mathbf{c}\|_1\}$$

$$\min \{\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{c}\|_2^2\} \quad \text{subject to } \|\mathbf{c}\|_1 \leq \epsilon$$

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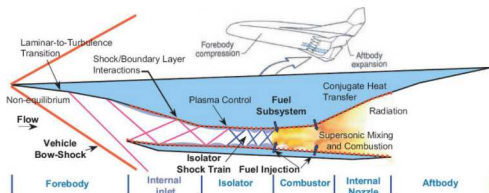
- Discover a sparse fitted PCE – many zero coefficients

Multilevel Multifidelity (MLMF) Methods for UQ

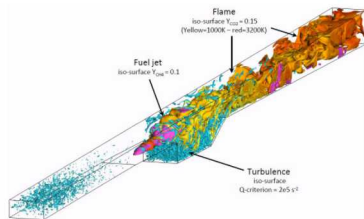
When the computational model is quite expensive, we still seek more reduction in the required number of expensive samples

- Multilevel Multifidelity (MLMF) methods allow further savings by combining information judiciously from low/high-resolution and low/high-fidelity models
- Use many low resolution/fidelity model computations and a minimal necessary number of high resolution/fidelity model computations to achieve target accuracy with MC
- Choice of how many simulations to run at low and high fidelity/resolution is done adaptively

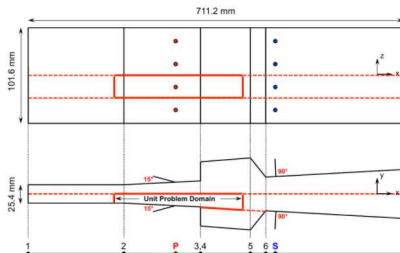
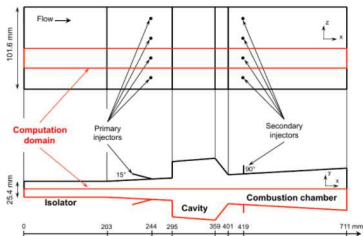
Supersonic Combusting Ramjet (scramjet)



In flight



Numerical model

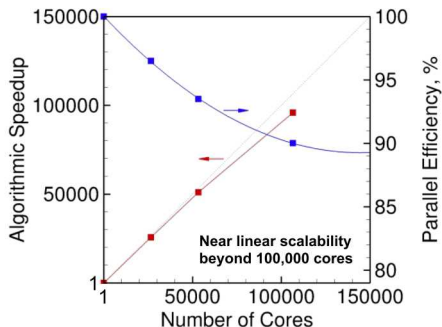


LES Performed using RAPTOR Code Framework

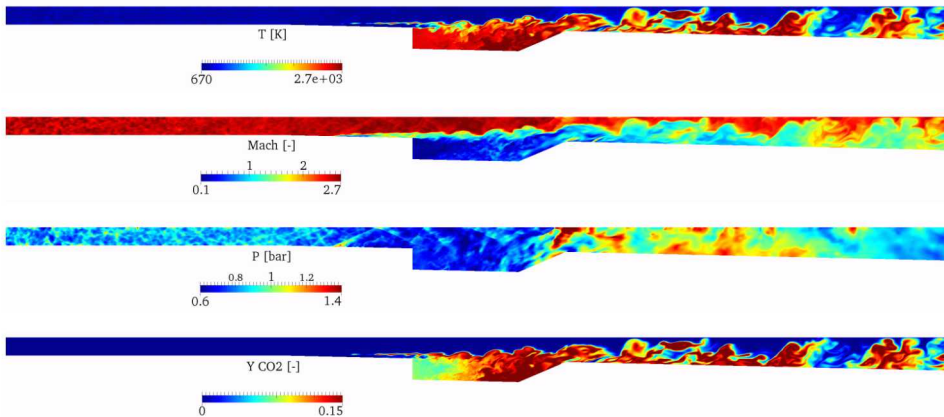
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- Theoretical framework ...
(**Comprehensive physics**)
 - Fully-coupled, compressible conservation equations
 - Real-fluid equation of state (high-pressure phenomena)
 - Detailed thermodynamics, transport and chemistry
 - Multiphase flow, spray
 - Dynamic SGS modeling (No Tuned Constants)
- Numerical framework ...
(**High-quality numerics**)
 - Staggered finite-volume differencing (non-dissipative, discretely conservative)
 - Dual-time stepping with generalized preconditioning (all-Mach-number formulation)
 - Detailed treatment of geometry, wall phenomena, transient BC's

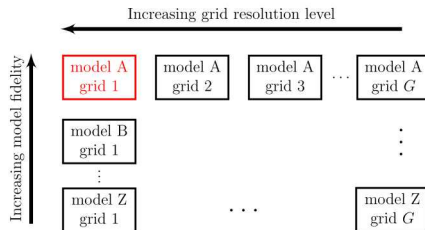
- Massively-parallel ... (**Highly-scalable**)
 - Demonstrated performance on full hierarchy of HPC platforms (e.g., scaling on ORNL CRAY XK7 TITAN architecture shown below)
 - Selected for early science campaign on next generation SUMMIT platform (ORNL Center for Accelerated Application Readiness, 2015 – 2018)



Instantaneous Flow Structure – z-inj-cut – 3D d16



Multilevel and multifidelity forms



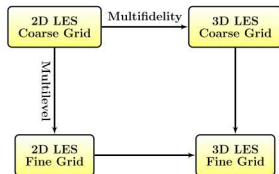
Telescopic sum:

$$f_L(\lambda) = f_0(\lambda) + \sum_{\ell=1}^L f_{\Delta_\ell}(\lambda)$$

- ℓ indicates different grid levels or fidelity of models
- Δ_ℓ indicates difference between models ℓ and $\ell - 1$

Function approximation: $f_L(\lambda) \approx \hat{f}_L(\lambda) = \hat{f}_0(\lambda) + \sum_{\ell=1}^L \hat{f}_{\Delta_\ell}(\lambda)$

High-D – ML/MF UQ Results



Two model forms and two mesh discretization levels

- Model form: 2D (LF) and 3D (HF) LES
- Meshes: $d/8$ and $d/16$

The P1 problem is considered (24 inputs).

Five QoIs extracted over a plane at $x/d = 100$.

- $\mathbb{E}_{y,t}$ stagnation pressure ($P_{0,mean}$)
- \mathbb{E}_y RMS_t stagnation pressure ($P_{0,rms}$)
- $\mathbb{E}_{y,t}$ Mach number (M_{mean})
- $\mathbb{E}_{y,t}$ turbulent kinetic energy (TKE_{mean})
- $\mathbb{E}_{y,t}$ scalar dissipation rate (χ_{mean})

	2D	3D
$d/8$	1	204
$d/16$	25.5	1844

Relative computational cost for the model forms and discretization levels.

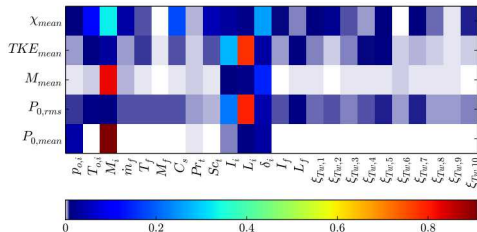
Optimize statistical accuracy given a limited number of high fidelity model evaluations by leveraging cheaper lower fidelity simulations.

Jet in crossflow unit problem: 24 parameters

Parameter	Range	Description
Inlet boundary conditions		
p_0	[1.406, 1.554] MPa	Stagnation pressure
T_0	[1472.5, 1627.5] K	Stagnation temperature
M_0	[2.259, 2.761]	Mach number
δ_a	[2, 6] mm	Boundary layer thickness
I_i	[0, 0.05]	Turbulence intensity magnitude
L_i	[0, 8] mm	Turbulence length scale
Fuel inflow boundary conditions		
\dot{m}_f	$[6.633, 8.107] \times 10^{-3}$ kg/s	Mass flux
T_f	[285, 315] K	Static temperature
M_f	[0.95, 1.05]	Mach number
I_f	[0, 0.05]	Turbulence intensity magnitude
L_f	[0, 1] mm	Turbulence length scale
Turbulence model parameters		
C_R	[0.01, 0.06]	Modified Smagorinsky constant
Pr_t	[0.5, 1.7]	Turbulent Prandtl number
Sc_t	[0.5, 1.7]	Turbulent Schmidt number
Wall boundary conditions		
T_w	Expansion in 10 params of $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$	Wall temperature represented via Karhunen-Loève expansion

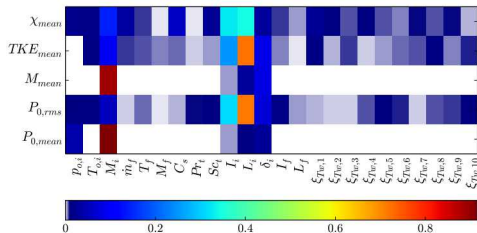
- Qols: P_{stag} , $P_{stag,rms}$, M , TKE, χ
 - fixed at $x/d = 100$, averaged across y/d and t
- 3rd-order PCEs
- 2D runs: 1939 (coarse grid), 79 (fine grid)
- 3D runs: 46 (coarse grid), 11 (fine grid)

Unit problem: total sensitivity



Multilevel expansion of:

$$\hat{f}_{2D,d/16} = \hat{f}_{2D,d/8} + \hat{f}_{\Delta_{2D,d/16-2D,d/8}}$$

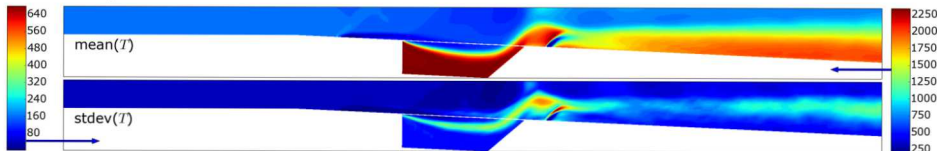


Multifidelity expansion of:

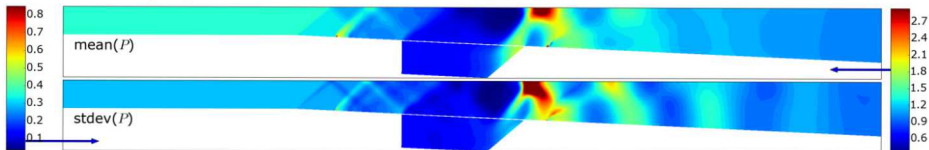
$$\hat{f}_{3D,d/8} = \hat{f}_{2D,d/8} + \hat{f}_{\Delta_{3D,d/8-2D,d/8}}$$

MC-Predicted Uncertainty in Mean Flow Quantities – 3D

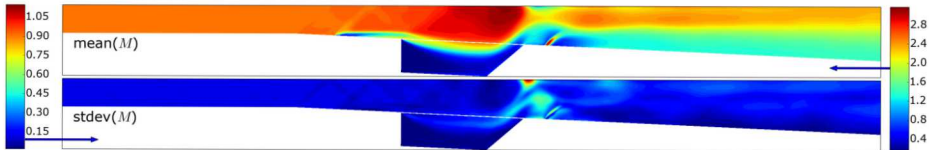
Temperature [K]



Pressure [bar]

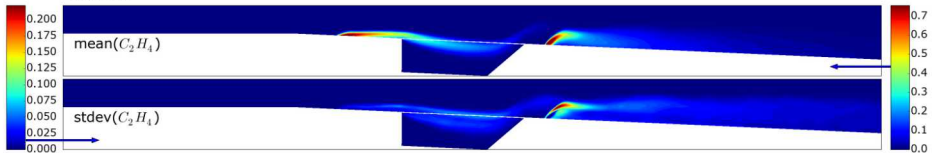


Mach Number

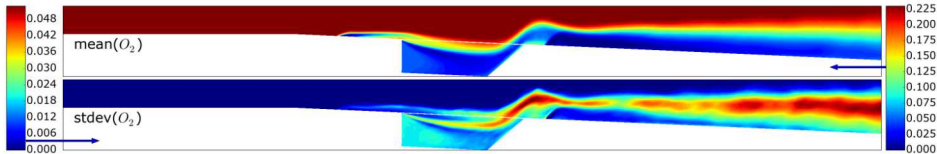


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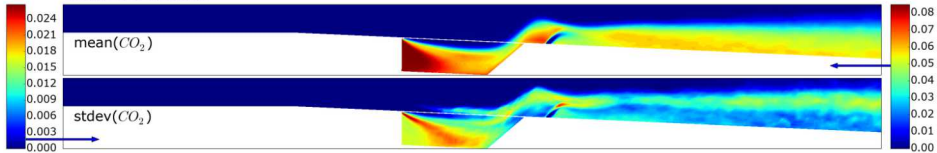
Ethane



Oxygen



Carbon Dioxide



Discussion and Closure

- Necessary workflow for UQ in large-scale computational models
 - Global sensitivity analysis to cut dimensionality, assisted by
 - Polynomial Chaos regression
 - ℓ_1 -norm regularization / compressive sensing
 - Multilevel Monte Carlo & Multifidelity
 - Adaptive sparse quadrature forward UQ on reduced dimensional space
 - Resulting PC surrogate can be used in Bayesian inference on model parameters and optimization under uncertainty
- Other avenues to re-cast the problem in low-D:
 - Basis adaptation & active subspace methods
 - Manifold discovery, e.g. via Isomap or diffusion maps
- Caution: Noisy computational QoIs due to finite averaging windows
- Other surrogate options beside PC include local interpolants, Padé, RBFs, GPs, neural networks, etc