

# Iterative solvers for stochastic Galerkin method

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## Problems with parametric (uncertain) data

As an example,

$$-\nabla \cdot \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \nabla u(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = f(\mathbf{x}), \quad (\mathbf{x}, \xi) \in D \times \Gamma,$$

with  $u(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = 0$  on  $\partial D \times \Gamma$ , data  $0 < \alpha_1 \leq \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \leq \alpha_2 < \infty$ .

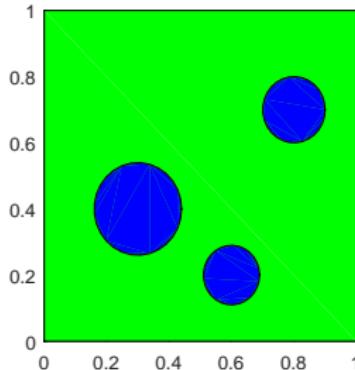
Parametric data/random field  $\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)$

a) Left:

well separated domains  
with different characteristics

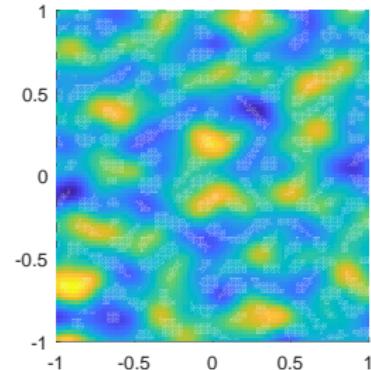
$\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)$

$$= a_0(\mathbf{x}) + \chi_1(\mathbf{x})\xi_1 + \chi_2(\mathbf{x})\xi_2$$



b) Right:

Karhunen-Loéve expansion,  
truncated  
(covariance, eigenvectors)



## Karhunen-Loéve expansion

Numerical computation needs discrete finite random field  $a(\mathbf{x}, \omega)$ .

Covariance operator  $c$ ,

$$C(g)(\mathbf{x}) = \int_D c(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) g(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y}, \quad c(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \text{cov}(a(\mathbf{x}, \omega), a(\mathbf{y}, \omega))$$

with eigenvalues  $\lambda_k$  and eigenfunctions  $a_k(\mathbf{x})$ , then

$$a(\mathbf{x}, \omega) = a_0(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \xi_k(\omega) \sqrt{\lambda_k} a_k(\mathbf{x}),$$

where  $\xi_k$  are uncorrelated random variables with zero mean and unit variance.

Truncation, check  $a_{\text{trunc}}(\mathbf{x}, \omega) > 0$ .

Measure space  $L_p^2(\Gamma)$

Doob-Dynkin lemma: measure space  $L_p^2(\Gamma)$ ,  $\rho(\xi) = dP/d\xi$  (instead of  $(\Omega, \Sigma, P)$ )

$$a(\mathbf{x}, \omega) := a(\mathbf{x}, \xi(\omega)), \quad \xi(\omega) = (\xi_1(\omega), \dots, \xi_{N_\xi}(\omega)),$$

where the random variables  $\xi_i(\omega)$  are iid with the joint probability density

$$\rho(\xi) = \prod_{i=1}^{N_\xi} \rho_i(\xi_i) \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma = \prod_{i=1}^{N_\xi} \Gamma_i = \prod_{i=1}^{N_\xi} \text{Im}(\xi_i).$$

*Data  $a(\mathbf{x}, \xi)$* 

a) linear w.r.t. stochastic part

$$a(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = a_0(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{i=1}^{N_\xi} a_i(\mathbf{x}) \xi_i, \quad \text{or} \quad a(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = a_0(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{i=1}^{N_\xi} \chi_i(\mathbf{x}) \xi_i$$

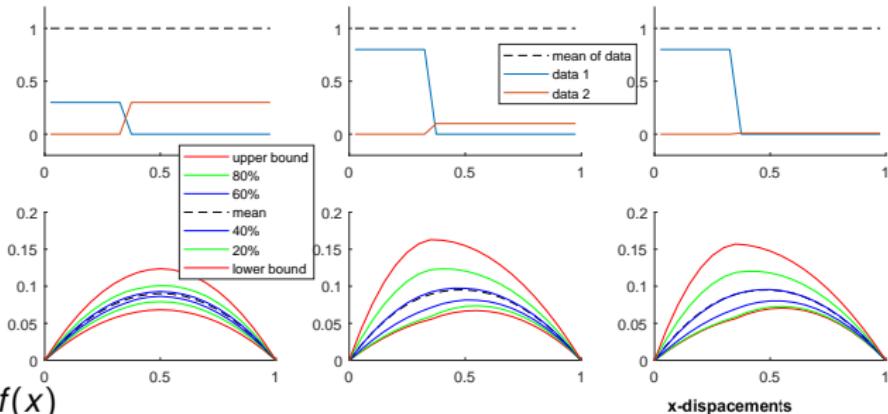
b) non-linear w.r.t. stochastic part

$$a(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = \exp \left( \tilde{a}_0(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{i=1}^{N_\xi} \tilde{a}_i(\mathbf{x}) \xi_i \right) = \sum_{j=0}^{N_a} a_j(\mathbf{x}) p_j(\xi),$$

*Stochastic variables / parameters  $\xi = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_{N_\xi}) \in \Gamma$* Probability distribution  $N(0, 1)$ ,  $U(-1, 1)$ , etc.Probability density / weight function  $\rho$

Where we can meet parametric problems

a) Studying dependency of  $u$  on the data



iso-lines

$$-(a(x, \xi)u(x, \xi)')' = f(x)$$

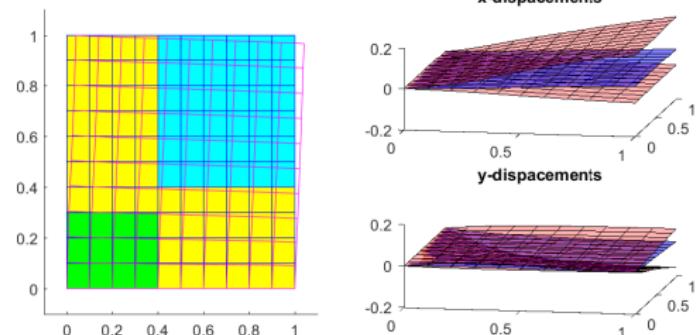
$$\xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2)$$

iso-surfaces

linear elasticity

stiffness in three domains 2 : 3 : 1

$$\xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3)$$



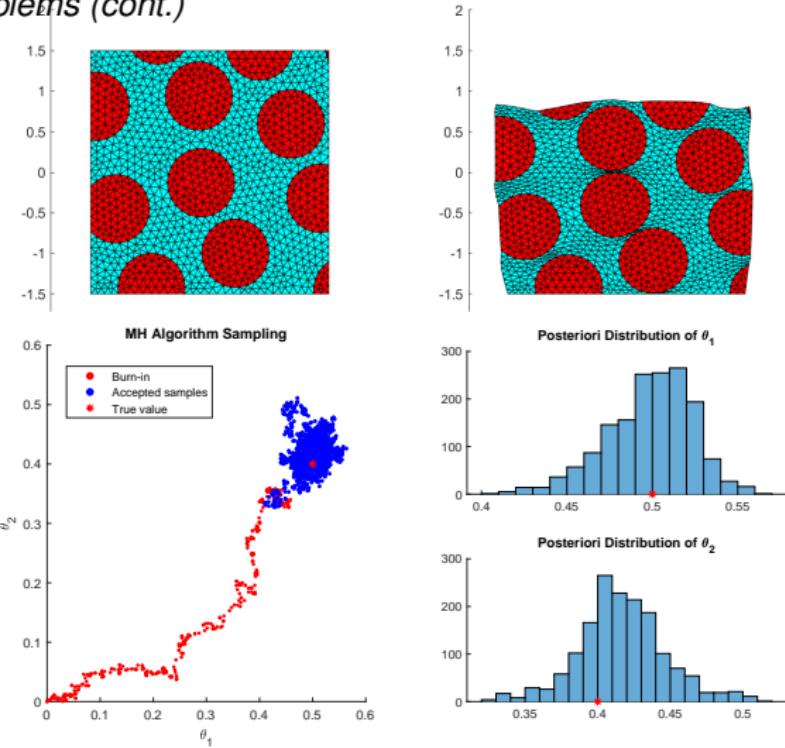
## Where we meet parametric problems (cont.)

b) Identifying parameters,  
inverse problems

linear elasticity  
 $\xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2)$

Bayes methods  
 Metropolis-Hastings method  
 surrogate models

(figures by L.Gaynutdinova)



Blaheta, Béreš, Domesová, Pan, A comparison of deterministic and Bayesian inverse with application in micromechanics, Applications of Mathematics, 2018

## *Solution methods for parametric problems*

### a) Monte Carlo methods

- + nonintrusive, multilevel Monte Carlo methods, universal
- time consuming (unless applied in parallel), generating samples, lack of guaranteed error bounds

### b) Collocation methods (w.r.t. stochastic variables)

- + nonintrusive, sparse grids, nested grids (Clenshaw-Curtis quadrature)
- curse of dimensionality, discrete approximation measure, lack of guaranteed error bounds

### c) Stochastic Galerkin methods / stochastic finite element methods

- + integral approximation measure, various post-processing of results, guaranteed error bounds
- intrusive (unless using double-orthogonal approximation polynomials), large linear systems, coupled problem, curse of dimensionality

*Stochastic Galerkin method / stochastic FE method*

As example

$$-\nabla \cdot \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \nabla u(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = f(\mathbf{x}), \quad (\mathbf{x}, \xi) \in D \times \Gamma,$$

with  $u(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = 0$  on  $\partial D \times \Gamma$ .

Stochastic variational form. Find  $u \in V = H_0^1(D) \times L_p^2(\Gamma) = L_p^2(\Gamma, H_0^1(D))$  (Bochner space) such that

$$\mathcal{A}(u, v) = \mathcal{F}(v), \quad v \in V.$$

Equality of moments.

Energy inner product and linear functional

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}(u, v) &= \int_{\Gamma} \int_D \nabla v(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \cdot \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \nabla u(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \rho(\xi) d\mathbf{x} d\xi \\ \mathcal{F}(v) &= \int_{\Gamma} \int_D f(\mathbf{x}) v(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \rho(\xi) d\mathbf{x} d\xi.\end{aligned}$$

Regularity and a priori convergence estimates

Babuska, Nobile, Tempone, Ghanem, Zouraris; Gittelson, 2009; Bespalov, Powell, Silvester, 2012

*Discretization*

Solution  $u(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = \sum_{r,j=1}^{N_{\text{FE}}, N_{\text{pol}}} u_{(j-1)N_{\text{FE}}+r} \phi_r(\mathbf{x}) \psi_j(\xi)$

Approximation basis functions  $\phi_r(\mathbf{x}) \psi_j(\xi) \in V^{\text{FE}} \times V^{\text{pol}} \subset V$

Finite element basis functions  $\phi_r(\mathbf{x}) \in V^{\text{FE}} \subset H_0^1(D)$

Orthogonal w.r.t. weight  $\rho$  **polynomials**  $\psi_j(\xi) = \psi_{j1}(\xi_1) \cdots \psi_{jN_\xi}(\xi_{N_\xi}) \in V^{\text{pol}} \subset L_p^2(\Gamma)$

*Polynomials*

**Hermite pol.**  $\rho(\xi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} e^{-\xi^2/2}$ , **Legendre pol.**  $\rho(\xi) = \frac{1}{2} \chi_{(-1,1)}$ , etc.

**Complete** polynomials (total degree  $\leq d$ )  $N_{\text{pol}} = \binom{N_\xi + d}{N_\xi}$

**Tensor product** (degrees  $\leq d_i$  at  $\xi_i$ )  $N_{\text{pol}} = \prod_{i=1}^{N_\xi} (d_i + 1)$

## Matrices

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_{(k-1)N_{FE}+s, (j-1)N_{FE}+r} &= \mathcal{A}(\psi_s \Phi_k, \psi_r \Phi_j) \\
 &= \int_{\Gamma} \int_D \nabla \psi_s \Phi_k \cdot \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \nabla \psi_r \Phi_j \rho d\mathbf{x} d\xi \\
 &= \int_{\Gamma} \Phi_k \Phi_j \rho \int_D \nabla \psi_s \cdot \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \nabla \psi_r d\mathbf{x} d\xi
 \end{aligned}$$

depend on data  $\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)$ ; e.g. (slide 5)

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_{(k-1)N_{FE}+s, (j-1)N_{FE}+r} &= \int_{\Gamma} \Phi_k \Phi_j \rho \int_D \sum_{l=0}^{N_a} a_l(\mathbf{x}) p_l(\xi) \nabla \psi_s \cdot \nabla \psi_r d\mathbf{x} d\xi \\
 &= \sum_{l=0}^{N_a} \int_{\Gamma} p_l(\xi) \Phi_k \Phi_j \rho d\xi \int_D a_l(\mathbf{x}) \nabla \psi_s \cdot \nabla \psi_r d\mathbf{x} \\
 &= \sum_{l=0}^{N_a} (G_l)_{kj} \cdot (K_l)_{sr}
 \end{aligned}$$

A is s.p.d. (unless, e.g., Gauss distribution and high degree approximation)

$$b_{(k-1)N_{FE}+s} = \mathcal{F}(\psi_s \Phi_k) = \int_{\Gamma} \int_D f \psi_s \Phi_k \rho d\mathbf{x} d\xi$$

## Structures of matrices

Matrix A is not built. Sum of tensor products  $A = \sum_{I=0}^{N_\xi} G_I \otimes K_I$

Examples:

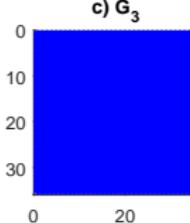
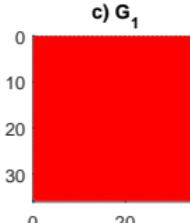
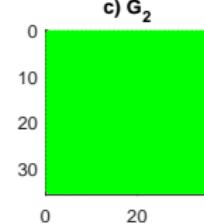
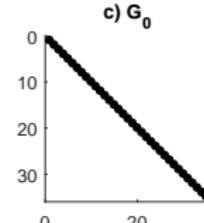
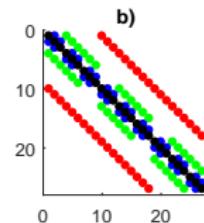
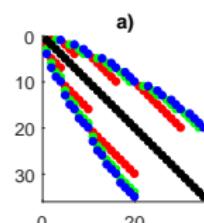
a)  $a(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = a_0(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{i=1}^3 a_i(\mathbf{x}) \xi_i$ , complete polynomials,  $d = 4$

b)  $a(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = a_0(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{i=1}^3 a_i(\mathbf{x}) \xi_i$ , tensor product polynomials,  $d_1 = d_2 = d_3 = 2$

c)  $a(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = \sum_{I=0}^3 a_I(\mathbf{x}) p_I(\xi)$ ,  $N_a = 3$ , complete polynomials,  $d = 4$

$G_0$ ,  $G_1$ ,  $G_2$ ,  $G_3$

Every dot is a multiple  
of an  $N_{FE} \times N_{FE}$   
"stiffness matrix"  $K_I$



## Structure of matrices

Linear  $a(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = a_0(\mathbf{x}) + \xi_1 a_1(\mathbf{x}) + \xi_2 a_2(\mathbf{x})$ :

$N_\xi = 2$ , uniform distribution of  $\xi_i$ , Legendre polynomials, complete pol.  $d = 2$

$$\mathbf{A} = \left( \begin{array}{c|cc|ccc} K_0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}K_1 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}K_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}K_1 & K_0 & 0 & \frac{2}{\sqrt{15}}K_1 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}K_2 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}K_2 & 0 & K_0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}K_1 & \frac{2}{\sqrt{15}}K_2 \\ \hline 0 & \frac{2}{\sqrt{15}}K_1 & 0 & K_0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}K_2 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}K_1 & 0 & K_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{2}{\sqrt{15}}K_2 & 0 & 0 & K_0 \end{array} \right),$$

$K_0$ ,  $K_1$ , and  $K_2$  are "stiffness matrices" corresponding to  $a_0(\mathbf{x})$ ,  $a_1(\mathbf{x})$ , and  $a_2(\mathbf{x})$ , respectively

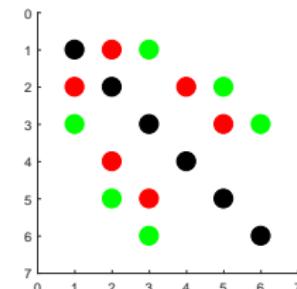
stiffness matrices

$$(K_i)_{rs} = \int_D a_i(\mathbf{x}) \nabla \psi_r(\mathbf{x}) \nabla \psi_s(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$

Jacobi matrices

$$(G_i)_{jk} = \int_\Gamma \xi_i \Phi_j(\xi) \Phi_k(\xi) \rho(\xi) d\xi$$

$$(G_0)_{jk} = \int_\Gamma \Phi_j(\xi) \Phi_k(\xi) \rho(\xi) d\xi = \delta_{jk}$$



## Double orthogonal polynomials

$p_0, p_1, p_2, \dots$  (infinite set) orthogonal on  $\Gamma \subset \mathbb{R}$

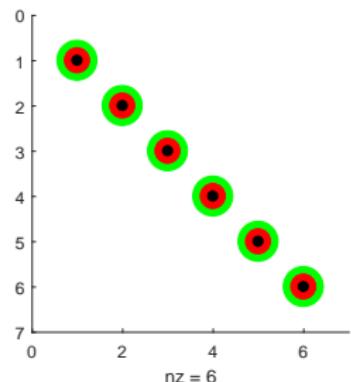
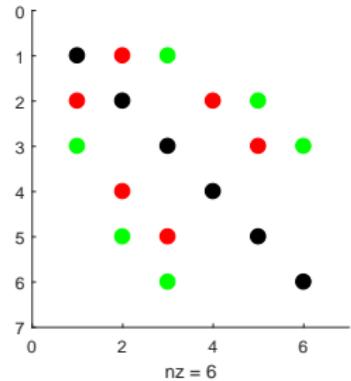
$$\int_{\Gamma} p_j(z) p_k(z) \rho(z) dz = \delta_{jk}$$

$\tilde{p}_1, \tilde{p}_2, \dots, \tilde{p}_m$  (finite set) double-orthogonal on  $\Gamma \subset \mathbb{R}$ ,  
 Lagrange polynomials with the set of nodes - roots of  $p_m$ ,  
 all of the degree  $m-1$

$$\int_{\Gamma} \tilde{p}_j(z) \tilde{p}_k(z) \rho(z) dz = \delta_{jk}$$

$$\int_{\Gamma} z \tilde{p}_j(z) \tilde{p}_k(z) \rho(z) dz = \delta_{jk}$$

A is block diagonal matrix with different blocks.



## *Solution methods*

### Conjugate gradient method with preconditioning

Preconditioning of  $Au = b$  is getting  $M$  such that  $M^{-1}Au = M^{-1}b$  is better solvable than  $Au = b$ , and  $Mv = c$  is easy to solve. Also in an abstract form.

### *Preconditioning*

#### 1) Multigrid w.r.t. physical variable

Brezina, et al., 2014, Elman, Furnival, 2007

#### 2) Multilevel w.r.t. stochastic variable ... focused in this talk

#### 3) Reduced basis, low rank approximations, rational Krylov subspace, etc.

vector  $u \rightarrow$  tensorised matrix  $U$ , and

$$b = Au = \left( \sum_{i=0}^{N_a} G_i \otimes K_i \right) u \quad \text{is the same as} \quad B = \sum_{i=0}^{N_a} K_i U G_i^T$$

Matthies et al., 2014; Powell, Silvester, Simoncini, 2016; Powell, Silvester, Simoncini, 2018; Audouze, Nair, 2019

*Multilevel preconditioning with respect to stochastic variable*

$$\left( \mathbf{A} = \sum_{i=0}^{N_a} \mathbf{G}_i \otimes \mathbf{K}_i \right)$$

Mean based - diagonal blocks - [Powell, Elman, 2009; etc.](#)

$$\mathbf{M}^{\text{mean}} = \mathbf{G}_0 \otimes \mathbf{K}_0$$

Kronecker product preconditioner - [Ullmann, 2010](#)

$$\mathbf{M}^{\text{Kron}} = \mathbf{G}_0 \otimes \mathbf{K}_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{N_a} \beta_i \mathbf{G}_i \otimes \mathbf{K}_0, \quad \beta_i = \frac{\text{tr}(\mathbf{K}_0^T \mathbf{K}_i)}{\text{tr}(\mathbf{K}_0^T \mathbf{K}_0)}$$

Symmetric block Gauss-Seidel - [Bespalov, Loghin, Youngnai, arXiv 2020](#)

$$\mathbf{M}^{\text{SBGS}} = \left( \mathbf{G}_0 \otimes \mathbf{K}_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{N_a} \mathbf{L}_i \otimes \mathbf{K}_i \right) (\mathbf{G}_0 \otimes \mathbf{K}_0)^{-1} \left( \mathbf{G}_0 \otimes \mathbf{K}_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{N_a} \mathbf{L}_i^T \otimes \mathbf{K}_i \right), \quad \mathbf{L}_i + \mathbf{L}_i^T = \mathbf{G}_i$$

Two-by-two blocks and Schur complement - [Sousedík, Ghanem, Phips, 2013](#)

Block diagonal preconditioner with large blocks - [P., Kubínová, 2020](#)

Overview - [Crowder, Adaptive and Multilevel Stochastic Galerkin Finite Element Methods, Ph.D. Thesis, 2020](#)

*Numerical experiments*

1D diffusion equation,  $N_{\text{FE}} = 20$ , complete polynomials, maximum degree  $d$ , number of stoch. variables  $N_\xi$ ,  $\xi_i$  uniformly distributed in  $[-1, 1]$

Table: Mean based, Kronecker and SBGS preconditioning.

$N_\xi$	$d$	$\kappa(M^{-1}A)$				CG steps			
		no	mean	Kron	SBGS	no	mean	Kron	SBGS
1	1	252.8	2.1	1.6	1.1	39	10	8	5
1	3	317.5	3.1	2.0	1.2	71	13	9	5
1	7	345.4	3.7	2.3	1.2	103	14	10	5
2	1	256.2	2.1	1.6	1.1	56	10	8	5
2	3	335.5	3.9	2.5	1.3	99	14	11	6
2	7	387.9	6.1	3.6	1.5	125	17	13	6
3	1	262.6	2.1	1.6	1.2	60	10	7	5
3	3	372.6	4.2	2.8	1.4	112	14	11	6
3	7	462.6	7.8	5.0	1.8	142	20	15	7

## *Our contribution*

Improving guaranteed spectral bounds for preconditioned matrix  $M^{-1}A$  based on

- orthogonal polynomial properties
- data of problems associated to  $A$  and  $M$  - element-by-element
- for many kinds of distribution of data

P., 2016; Kubínová, P., 2020, Plešinger, P., 2018

Our approach - connected to and based on classical condition number estimates for algebraic multi-level (AML) preconditioning

Eijkhout, Vassilevski, Axelsson, Neytcheva, Blaheta, Kraus

Patterns of blocks of  $M$ :

$$M^C = \begin{pmatrix} X & & & \\ & X & & \\ & & X & \\ \hline & & & X \\ & & & X \\ & & & X \end{pmatrix},$$

$$M^C = \begin{pmatrix} X & X & X & & \\ X & X & & & \\ X & & X & & \\ \hline & & & X & \\ & & & & X \\ & & & & X \end{pmatrix}$$

### *Our contribution (cont.)*

## Patterns of blocks of M:

$$M^{TP} = \left( \begin{array}{cc|c|c|c} X & X & & & \\ X & X & X & & \\ X & X & & & \\ \hline & & X & X & \\ & & X & X & X \\ & & X & X & \\ \hline & & & & X & X \\ & & & & X & X & X \\ & & & & X & X & \\ \end{array} \right).$$

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*Our contribution (cont.)*

Numerical experiment.

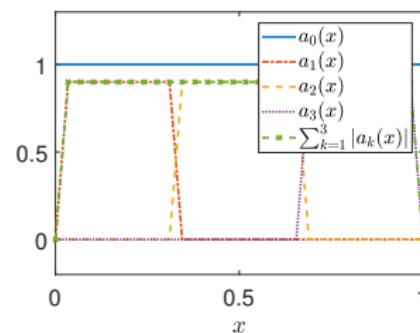
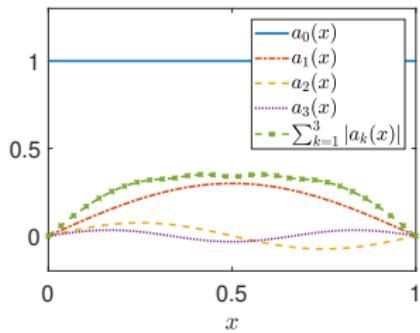
$$-(a(x, \xi) u(x, \xi)')' = f(x),$$

$$D = (0, 1), N_\xi = 3, a(x, \xi) = a_0(x) + \xi_1 a_1(x) + \xi_2 a_2(x) + \xi_3 a_3(x),$$

$$\xi_i \in [-1, 1], i = 1, 2, 3.$$

Problem 1:

Problem 2:



*Our contribution (cont.)***Table:** Block-diagonal preconditioning of Problem 1 and Problem 2. New and classical bounds.

$d$	$\kappa(A)$	$c_{\text{class}}$	$c$	$\lambda_{\min}(M^{-1}A)$	$\lambda_{\max}(M^{-1}A)$	$\bar{c}$	$\bar{c}_{\text{class}}$	$\bar{c}/c$
<b>Problem 1</b>								
1	458.42	0.76	0.80	0.83	1.17	1.20	1.24	1.51
2	498.47	0.68	0.73	0.76	1.24	1.27	1.32	1.75
...								
6	546.55	0.61	0.67	0.69	1.31	1.33	1.39	2.26
7	550.80	0.61	0.66	0.68	1.32	1.34	1.39	2.29
<b>Problem 2</b>								
1	947.79	-0.65	0.45	0.45	1.56	1.56	2.65	3.43
2	1596.34	-1.21	0.26	0.26	1.74	1.74	3.21	6.57
...								
6	4576.93	-1.71	0.10	0.10	1.90	1.90	3.71	19.34
7	5294.63	-1.74	0.09	0.09	1.91	1.91	3.74	21.80

## Conclusion

- PDE with (stochastic) parameters - many methods, demanding
- Variational approach - stochastic Galerkin method
  - Precoditioning – a posteriori error estimates – adaptivity*
  - A posteriori error estimates
  - Bespalov, Powell, Silvester, 2014; Eigel, Mardon, 2014; Khan, Bespalov, Powell, Silvester, 2020
  - Adaptivity
  - Eigel, Gittelson, Schwab, Zander, 2014; P., 2015; Bespalov, Praetorius, Ruggeri, 2020
- Relatively short history; many recent results; still developing
  - Using as much information about A and M as possible
- Spectral estimates of  $M^{-1}A$  (matrix pencil) - sharp new bounds based on element-by-element approach
  - P., 2016; Kubínová, P., 2017; Plešinger, P., 2018
- Estimates of all eigenvalues of preconditioned matrices
  - Gergelits, Mardal, Nielsen and Strakoš, 2019; Gergelits, Nielsen, Strakoš, 2020;
  - Ladecký, P., Zeman, 2020; P., Ladecký, submitted
  - Our new method described in [Martin Ladecký's talk](#) at SNA 2021.

Thanks for your attention.  
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