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Quantifying Uncertainty: Nonlinear Input-Output Systems

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Uncertainty Quantification (UQ)

UQ: an attempt of a definition:

- Computation of statistical quantities
- for models based on differential equations
- that include uncertain components
- of which distributions can be modeled.

■ **Practically:**

Inverse problems, Bayesian inference, forward propagation

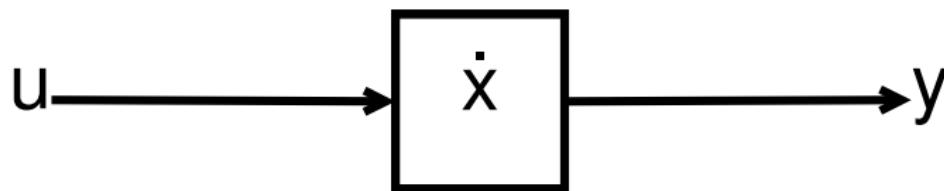
■ **Mathematically:**

Parameter Hessians, parameter identification, Many-query setting



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Input-Output System

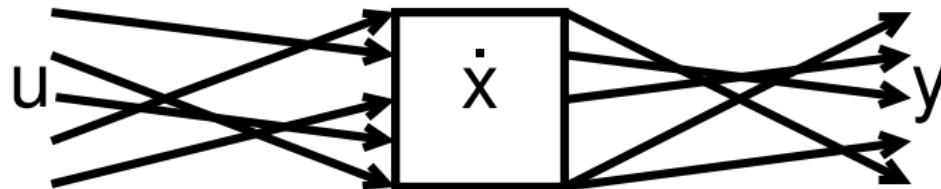


- **Input** u (excitation, boundary term)
- Grey box **model** \dot{x} (ODE, semi-discrete PDE)
- **Output** y (sensors, QoI)



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Uncertain Systems



- Input uncertainty (i.e.: uniformly random scaling)
- Model uncertainty (i.e.: uncertain vector field)
- Output uncertainty (i.e: additive Gaussian noise)



Uncertainty:

- Possible sources: measurement, modeling, material, ...
- Defined in terms of a distribution,
 - often assumed Gaussian via mean and covariance,
- usually determined from experiments.

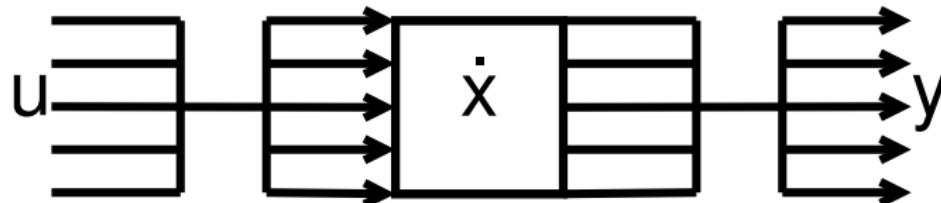
Parametric perspective:

- Uncertainties are basically parameters,
- whereas the distribution defines the relevant range
- and importance of parameter intervals.



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Parametric System



- Input-to-State parametrization
- State parametrization
- State-to-Output-parametrization



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Mathematical System

Input-output system:

$$\dot{x}(t) = f(x(t), u(t), \theta)$$

$$y(t) = g(x(t), u(t), \theta)$$

- Vector field f
- Output functional g
- Input function $u(t)$
- State trajectory $x(t)$
- Output function $y(t)$
- Parameters θ



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Parametric Model Reduction

Reduced order model:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_r(t) &= f_r(x_r(t), u(t), \theta) \\ y_r(t) &= g_r(x_r(t), u(t), \theta)\end{aligned}$$

- Reduced vector field f_r
- Reduced output functional g_r
- Reduced state trajectory $x_r(t)$
- Approximate output function $y_r(t)$
- $\dim(x(t)) \ll \dim(x_r(t))$
- $\|y(\theta) - y_r(\theta)\| \ll 1$



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System Covariance

Covariance:

An indicator of dependence between two variables.

Covariance properties:

- Linear operator,
- symmetric,
- positive (semi-)definite.

System Covariance:

An indicator of dependence between two state components (x_i, x_j).

Covariance matrix:

A matrix of all pairwise dependencies between state components.



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Controllability and Observability

- **Controllability**¹: Ability to drive states by inputs.
- **Observability**: Ability to infer states from outputs.

Model reduction via balanced truncation:

- The least controllable
- and least observable

states are least important to input-output coherence.

Balanced truncation features:

- Based on associated system Gramian matrices,
- sort balanced states by Hankel singular values,
- stability-preserving reduced order model,
- global \mathcal{H}_∞ / L_2 error bound.

¹Often actually **Reachability** is meant as for linear systems they are equivalent.



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Empirical Gramians

- **Empirical:** Data-driven computation.
- **Gramian:** A special type of covariance matrix.

Empirical Gramian matrix types:

- Empirical Controllability Gramian
- Empirical Observability Gramian
- Empirical Cross Gramian (combines controllability and observability)

Computation outline:

1. Determine operating region,
2. perturb input, states / parameters (uncertainties),
3. simulate (output) trajectory,
4. assemble covariance (Gramian) matrix,
5. accumulate by averaging.

How does this help with UQ?

1. Assume uncertainties are parameters.
2. Assume parameters are (constant) states.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}(t) \\ \dot{\theta}(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f(x(t), u(t), \theta(t)) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$y(t) = g(x(t), u(t), \theta(t))$$



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Combined State and Parameter Reduction

State and parameter reduced order system:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_r(t) &= f_r(x_r(t), u(t), \theta_r) \\ y_r(t) &= g_r(x_r(t), u(t), \theta_r)\end{aligned}$$

- Reduced vector field f_r
- Reduced output functional g_r
- Reduced state trajectory $x_r(t)$
- Approximate output function $y_r(t)$
- $\dim(x_r) \ll \dim(x)$
- $\dim(\theta_r) \ll \dim(\theta)$
- $\|y(\theta) - y_r(\theta_r)\| \ll 1$



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Gramian-Based Combined Reduction

Treating parameters as inputs (**controllability**-based):

- Empirical Sensitivity Gramian

Treating parameters as states (**observability**-based):

- Empirical Identifiability Gramian
- Empirical Cross-Identifiability Gramian

Parameter identification:

- Eigenvalue decomposition (EVD)
- Singular value decomposition (SVD)
- Principal component analysis (PCA)



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Empirical Gramians:

- Empirical Controllability Gramian
- Empirical Observability Gramian
- Empirical Linear Cross Gramian
- Empirical Cross Gramian
- Empirical Sensitivity Gramian (controllability-based state + parameter)
- Empirical Identifiability Gramian (observability-based state + parameter)
- Empirical Joint Gramian (cross-based state + observability-based parameter)

Features:

- Interfaces for: Solver, inner product kernels & distributed memory
- Non-Symmetric option for all cross Gramians
- Compatible with OCTAVE and MATLAB
- Vectorized and parallelizable
- Open-source licensed

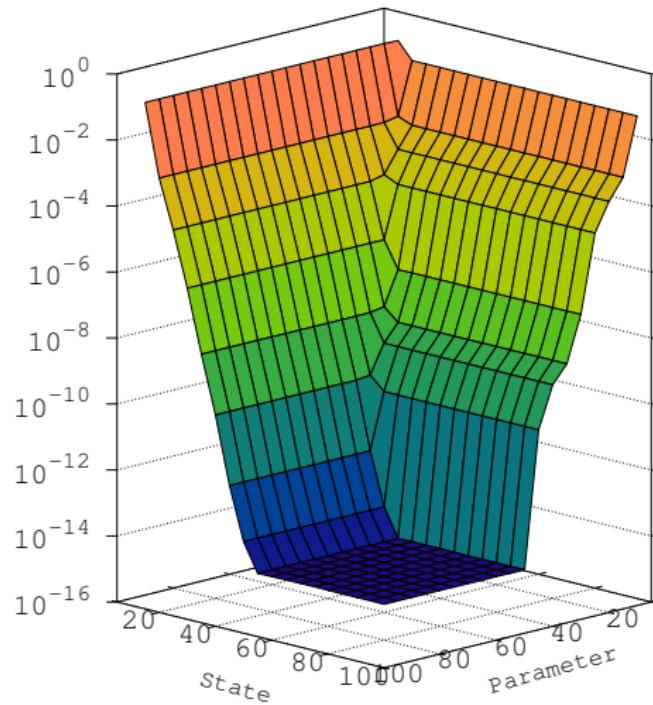
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Example: Diode-Resistor-Capacitor Cascade (from [3])

Weakly nonlinear, linear parametrized system:



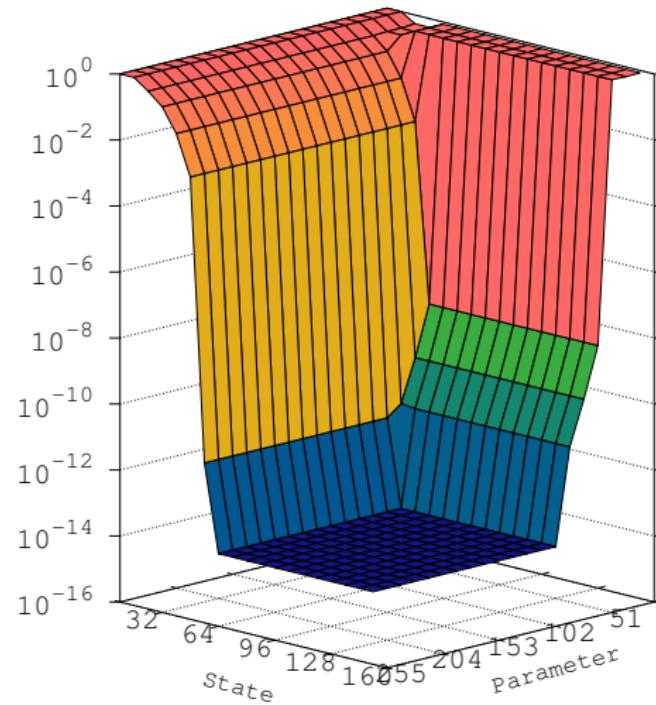
Relative model reduction error for varying state and parameter dimensions.



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Example: EEG-based brain connectivity (from [3])

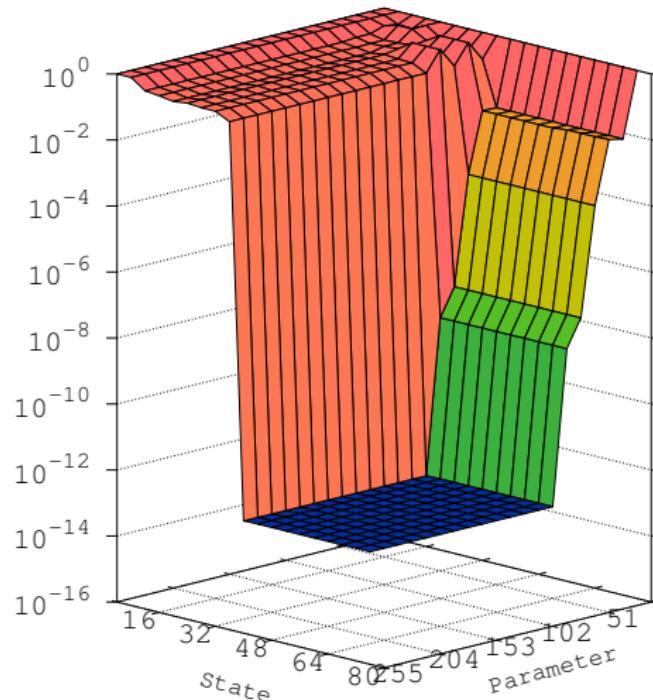
Weakly nonlinear, second order, nonlinear parametrized system:



Relative model reduction error for varying state and parameter dimensions.



Highly nonlinear, nonlinear parametrized system:



Relative model reduction error for varying state and parameter dimensions.



In a nutshell:

- Treat uncertainties as parameters,
- treat parameters as states,
- perturb states,
- sort by observability (and controllability).

Ingredients:

- Spatially-discrete model
- Operating region
- Full order model solver



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Further Works I: POD and RBM

Proper Orthogonal Decomposition (POD)² for UQ

- Treat uncertainties as parameters.
- Extract relevant state-space information from a time-series
- for multiple time-series at relevant sampling points.

Reduced Basis Method (RBM)³ for UQ

- Treat uncertainties as parameters.
- Build a reduced basis for a high order finite element basis.
- Typically: use a greedy method to select sampling points

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Further Works II: Krylov Subspaces

Krylov Subspaces^{4 5} for UQ

- Treat uncertainties as parameters.
- Build a basis by repeated application of differential operator.
- Extract relevant moments valid over parameter domain.
- Generalization of the moment-matching model reduction method.

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Discussion points:

- What are the goals of using UQ?
- What are relevant models and model classes?
- What is the dimensionality of the models?

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