

QUANTIFICATION OF EPISTEMIC UNCERTAINTIES IN THE $k - \varepsilon$ MODEL COEFFICIENTS

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INTRODUCTION

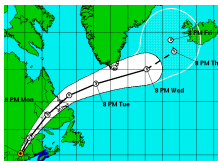


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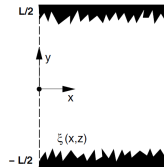
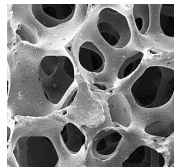
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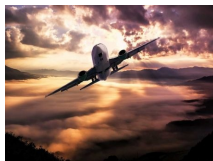
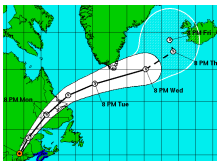


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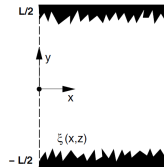
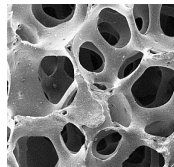
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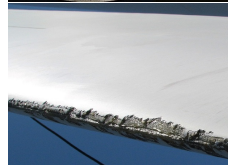
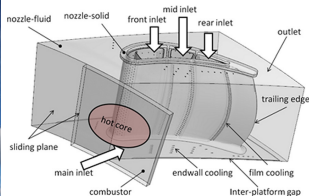


Despite these uncertainties can predictions be trusted?



UNCERTAINTY IN TURBOMACHINES

- Turbomachines can be intensely sensitive to the uncertainties.
- Aleatory uncertainties:
 - ✓ Operating conditions
 - ✓ Geometry
- Operational: Volumetric flow rate, turbulence properties, rotational speed.
- Geometrical:
 - ✓ Manufacturing tolerances.
 - ✓ Turbomachines are designed to run for years: in-service erosion and corrosion.



UNCERTAINTY QUANTIFICATION USING POLYNOMIAL CHAOS EXPANSION



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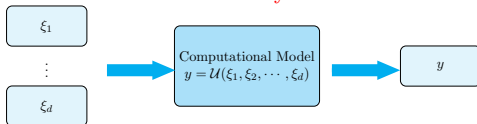
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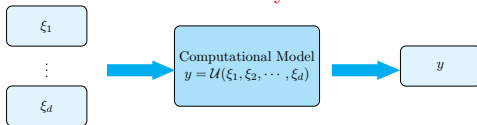
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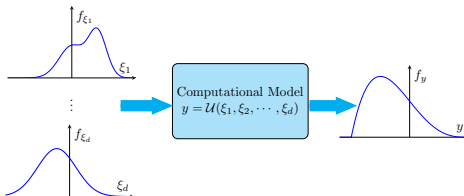
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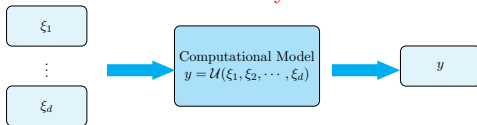
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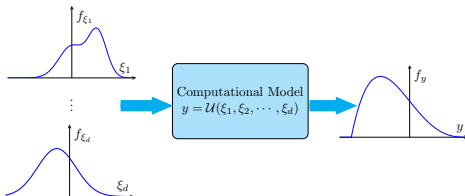
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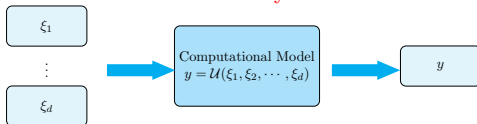
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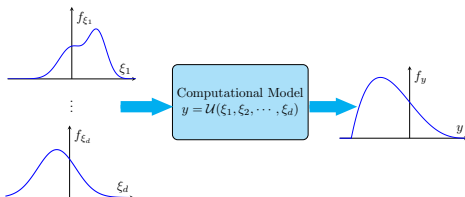
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UQ METHODS

Introduce mathematical approaches to solve above integrals.

POLYNOMIAL CHAOS EXPANSION

- *Uncertainty Quantification* approaches
 - ✓ Sampling methods (non-intrusive)
 - ✓ Quadrature methods (non-intrusive)
 - ✓ Spectral methods (intrusive): Polynomial Chaos Expansion
- The stochastic field $\mathcal{U}(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\xi})$ is decomposed

PC EXPANSION

$$\mathcal{U}(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\xi}) = \sum_{0 \leq |\boldsymbol{\alpha}| \leq p} u_{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}(\mathbf{x}) \psi_{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}(\boldsymbol{\xi})$$

- The number of unknown coefficients (u_i 's) is: $P + 1 = \binom{p + n_s}{p}$
- Curse of dimensionality
- Functions $\psi_i(\boldsymbol{\xi})$'s are the orthogonal polynomials with respect to input PDFs.
- Regression approach is employed to calculate the PCE coefficients.
- Sobol' sampling scheme
- Variance based sensitivity analysis using Sobol' indices.



SPARSE RECONSTRUCTION OF POLYNOMIAL CHAOS EXPANSION USING COMPRESSED SENSING



INTRODUCTION

- Industrial problems: large number of random variables.
- *Curse of dimensionality*: Computational cost of PCE grows exponentially with the number variables.
- Remedy: *efficient* methods

EFFICIENT METHODS

- ✓ Adaptive methods
 - ✓ Reduced basis methods
 - ✓ Multifidelity methods
 - ✓ Sparse methods
- Sparse reconstruction approaches:
 - ✓ Hyperbolic sparse
 - ✓ **Compressed sensing**

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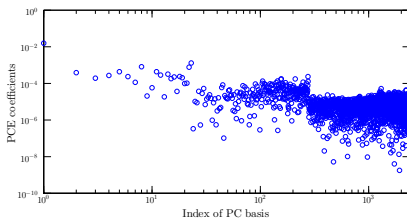


FIGURE: PCE coefficient of drag coefficient of the RAE2822 airfoil with stochastic geometry and operating condition



COMPRESSED SENSING

DEFINITION

Recover a sparse signal from a set of incomplete observations

- Optimization problem (ℓ_0 -minimization):

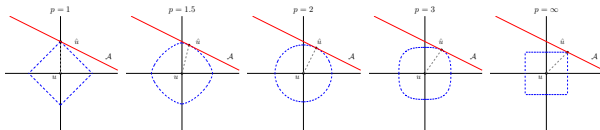
$$\hat{\mathbf{u}} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{u}} \|\mathbf{u}\|_0 \quad \text{subject to} \quad \Psi \mathbf{u} = \mathcal{Y}$$

- ℓ_0 -minimization is NP-hard! Hence, ℓ_1 -minimization

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- Noisy signal:

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Original



Reduced to 10% of the wavelet coefficients

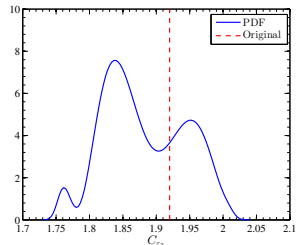


LIMITATION OF CLASSIC PCE

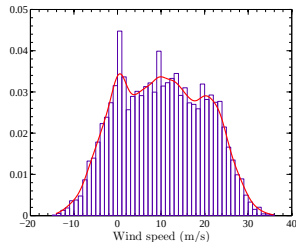
- PCE basis should be orthogonal with respect to the PDF of the uncertain input parameters.
- The Wiener-Askey polynomial: exponential convergence for a limited number of PDFs.
- What about arbitrary PDFs?
- Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization method.
- Exponential convergence for arbitrary distributions.
- The GSPCE is revisited and for the first time used with the regression method.

Distribution	Polynomials	Support
Gaussian	Hermite	$(-\infty, \infty)$
Uniform	Legendre	$[-1, 1]$
Gamma	Laguerre	$[0, \infty)$
Beta	Jacobi	$[-1, 1]$

$$\mathcal{U}(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\xi}) = \sum_{0 \leq |\boldsymbol{\alpha}| \leq p} u_{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}(\mathbf{x}) \psi_{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}(\boldsymbol{\xi})$$



PDF of $C_{\epsilon 2}$ in $k - \epsilon$ model.



PDF of wind speed from measured meteorological data (www.umass.edu/)



GRAM-SCHMIDT ORTHOGONALIZATION METHOD

- One-dimensional monic orthogonal polynomials:

$$\psi_j(\xi) = e_j(\xi) - \sum_{k=0}^{j-1} c_{jk} \psi_k(\xi), \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, p,$$

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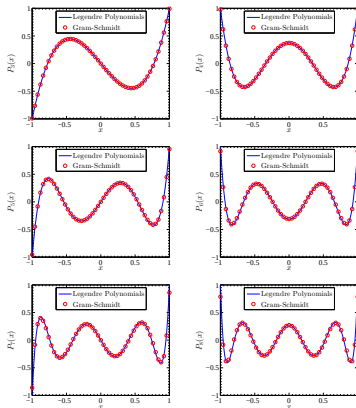
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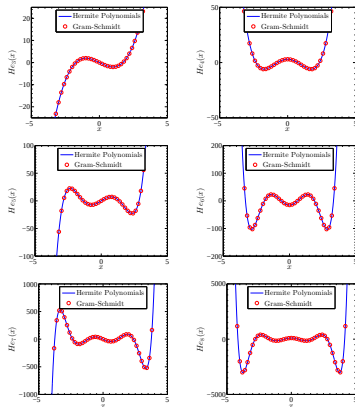
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Hermite (Gaussian)



NUMERICAL EXAMPLE: QUANTIFICATION OF EPISTEMIC
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OPENFOAM CHANNEL FLOW



EPISTEMIC UNCERTAINTIES IN THE $k - \varepsilon$ MODEL COEFFICIENTS

- Sources of uncertainties in RANS models:

- Model formulation
- Coefficients

- The Launder-Shrama $k - \varepsilon$ model:

- ✓ Boussinesq (eddy-viscosity) hypothesis:

$$\overline{u_i u_j} = -\nu_t \left(\frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_i} \right) + \frac{2}{3} k \delta_{ij}$$

- ✓ Turbulent viscosity:

$$\nu_t = C_\mu f_\mu \frac{k^2}{\varepsilon}$$

- ✓ To obtain ν_t , transport equations are solved:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (U_j k) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\left(\nu + \frac{\nu_t}{\sigma_k} \right) \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} \right] + P_k - \tilde{\varepsilon} - 2\nu \left(\frac{\partial \sqrt{k}}{\partial x_j} \right)^2 \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (U_j \tilde{\varepsilon}) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\left(\nu + \frac{\nu_t}{\sigma_\varepsilon} \right) \frac{\partial \tilde{\varepsilon}}{\partial x_j} \right] + C_{\varepsilon 1} \frac{\tilde{\varepsilon}}{\sigma_\varepsilon} P_k - C_{\varepsilon 2} f_2 \frac{\tilde{\varepsilon}^2}{k} + E \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$



LAUNDER-SHARMA $k - \varepsilon$ MODEL COEFFICIENTS

- The empirical coefficients of low-Re Launder-Sharma $k - \varepsilon$ model

C_μ	σ_k	σ_ε	C_{ε_1}	C_{ε_2}
0.09	1.0	1.3	1.44	1.92

- The coefficients are related to some basic physical quantities (Durbin and Reif, 2011):
 - ✓ The decay exponent in decaying homogeneous, isotropic turbulence, n
 - ✓ The production to dissipation in homogeneous shear flow, $\mathcal{P}/\varepsilon$
 - ✓ The Von-Karman constant, κ
 - ✓ The dimensionless turbulent kinetic energy in the logarithmic layer, $k_{\log}/u_\tau^2$

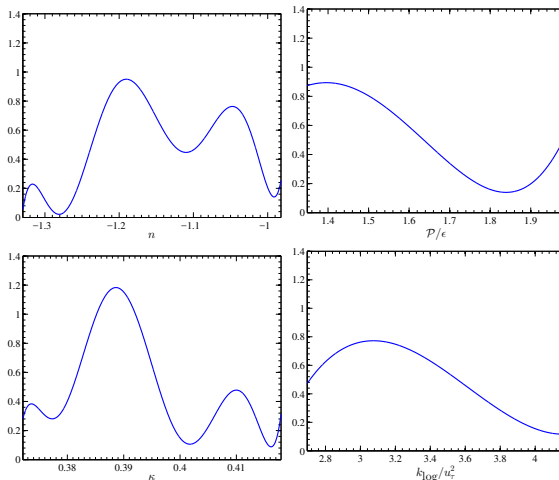
$$C_\mu = \left(\frac{k_{\log}}{u_\tau^2} \right)^{-2}, \quad C_{\varepsilon_1} = \frac{C_{\varepsilon_2} - 1}{\mathcal{P}/\varepsilon} + 1,$$

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- The reported data for these quantities in the literature are collected and presented as PDFs (Margheri et al., 2014)

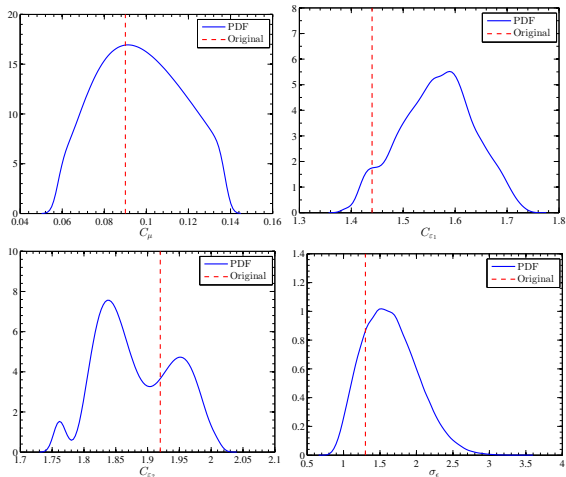


PDFs OF BASIC PHYSICAL QUANTITIES



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PDFs OF $k - \varepsilon$ COEFFICIENTS

- The PDFs of Launder-Sharma Coefficients are computed using a Monte-Carlo simulation
- Reported standard values lie within its PDF range



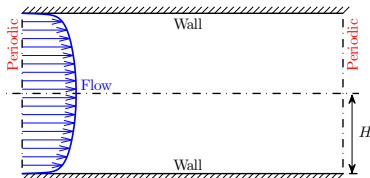
TEST CASE: CHANNEL FLOW

- Fully-developed turbulent channel flow

- Friction Reynolds number

$$\text{Re}_\tau = \frac{u_\tau H}{\nu} = 950$$

- OpenFOAM Solver: `boundaryFoam`
- Steady-state solver for incompressible, 1D turbulent flow
- $\text{grad } \bar{p} = \text{div } \bar{\tau}$
- Number of stochastic parameters $n_s = 4$
- UQ analyses performed with $p = 7$
- Reference solution: 8th order full PC



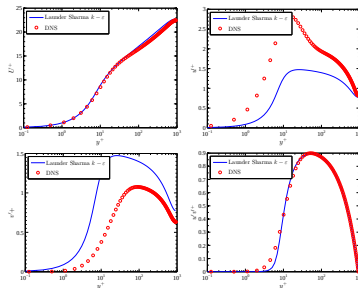
- Turbulence model: `LauderSharmaKE`

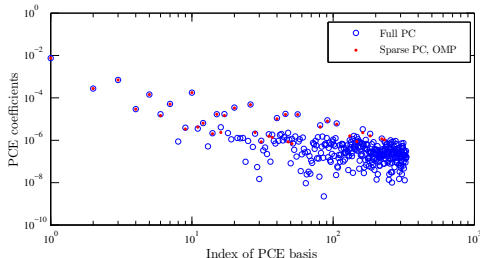
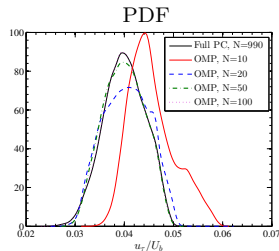
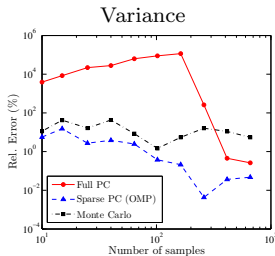
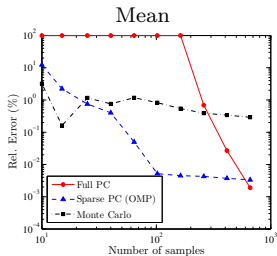
- Discretization:

- ✓ `gradSchemes`: linear
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- Linear solvers:

- ✓ `U`: PCG, DIC
- ✓ `k`: `smoothSolver`, `symGaussSeidel`
- ✓ `epsilon`: `smoothSolver`, `symGaussSeidel`

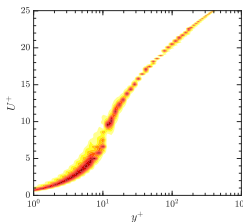


CONVERGENCE OF FRICTION VELOCITY (u_τ) STATISTICS

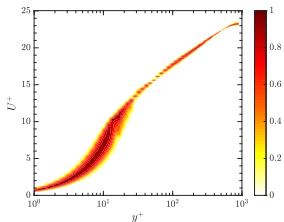
- Sparse method converged much faster.
- OMP with $N = 100$ sample method has successfully explored the important basis in the PCE.



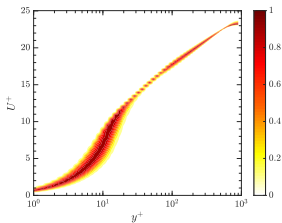
2D PDFs of VELOCITY FIELD



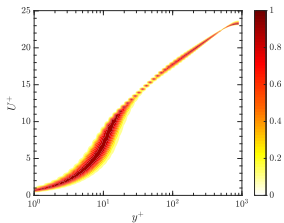
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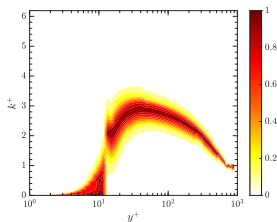


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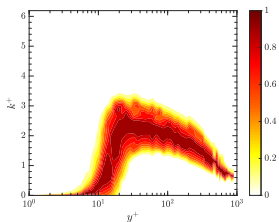
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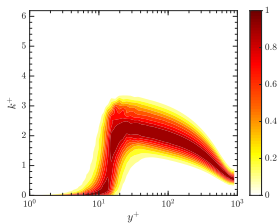
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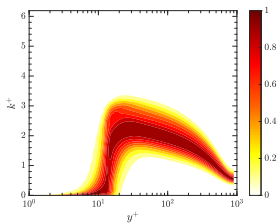
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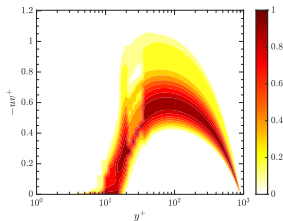


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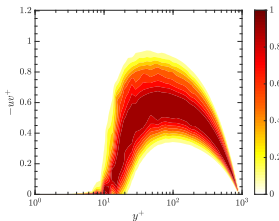
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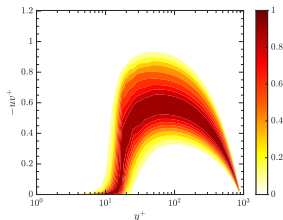
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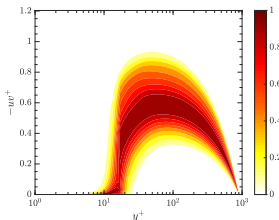
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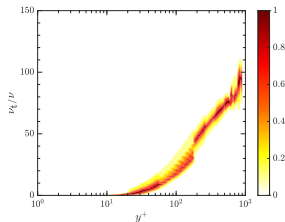


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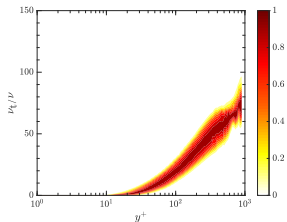
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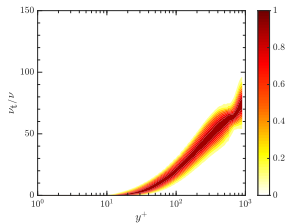
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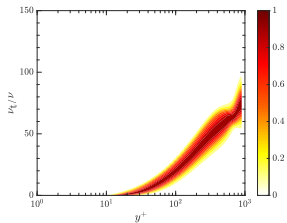
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(d) Full PC, $N = 990$

- Normalized 2D PDFs (PDF/max(PDF)).
- Increasing number of samples improves reconstructed 2D PDFs.
- Using $N = 100$ samples the constructed 2D PDF is very similar to the full PC.
- **The sparse method is 9 times faster!**



COMPARING WITH DNS DATA

