
Stochastic Galerkin approximations of elliptic PDEs driven by spatial white noise

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Two stochastic elliptic models

- **Model I:** $-\nabla \cdot ((\mathbf{E}[a](x) + \epsilon(x, \omega)) \nabla u) = f$
 - $\epsilon(x, \omega)$ is a colored noise with a known correlation function.
- **Model II:** $-\nabla \cdot ((\mathbf{E}[a](x) + \dot{W}(x, \omega)) \diamond \nabla u) = f$
 - $\dot{W}(x, \omega)$ is spatial white noise on $L_2(D)$.
 - ‘ \diamond ’ indicates the Wick product corresponding to Itô-Skorokhod integral.

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- $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^M$, $\boldsymbol{\xi} \in \mathbb{R}^M$, $|\alpha| = \sum_{i=1}^M \alpha_i$.
- ξ_i are *independent*; $\mathbb{E}[\phi_{\alpha} \phi_{\beta}] = \delta_{\alpha\beta}$ w.r.t. the PDF $f(\boldsymbol{\xi})$
- Correspondence between PDF and classical orthogonal polynomials: **uniform - Legendre; Gaussian - Hermite**, etc.
- L_2 completeness of orthogonal polynomials.

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■ Collocation projection:

■ Interpolation operator: $\{\boldsymbol{\xi}^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^{N_g}$: a set of grid points in the parametric space.

■ Deterministic system on grid points: $L(\mathbf{x}, u; \boldsymbol{\xi}^{(j)}) = f(\mathbf{x})$.

■ Choices of $\{\boldsymbol{\xi}^{(j)}\}$: full tensor-products of Gauss quadrature points - $O(N^M)$, sparse grids - $O(N \log(N)^{M-1})$

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- 😞 Inefficient for problems with low regularity in the parametric space.
- 😞 *May diverge for long-time integrations.*

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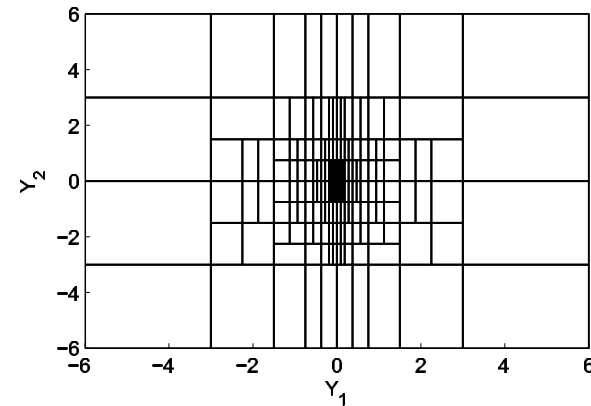
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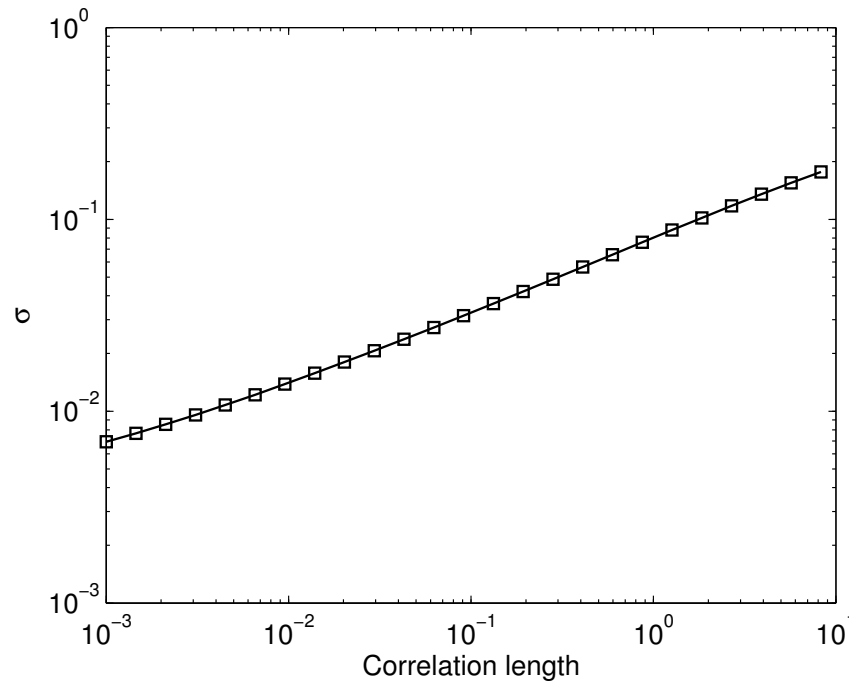


- Choices of local approximation bases - $\xi \in \Gamma$

- Piecewise finite element space. [Babuska et al.]
- Wavelets approximation. [Le Maitre et al.]
- Adaptive multi-element gPC. [Wan and Karniadakis]

Strong ellipticity and Model I

Strong ellipticity: $a_M = \mathbb{E}[a](\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{i=1}^M \sqrt{\lambda_i} h_i(\mathbf{x}) \xi_i > c > 0$ a.s.



As $M \rightarrow \infty$, strong ellipticity condition may fail.

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Note: \mathbf{M} can be an operator up to order two.

White noise on a real separable Hilbert space \mathcal{U}

Given a complete orthonormal basis $\{w_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ in \mathcal{U} and a zero-mean Gaussian family $\dot{W} = \{\dot{W}(h), h \in \mathcal{U}\}$ such that

$$\mathbb{E}[\dot{W}(h_1)\dot{W}(h_2)] = (h_1, h_2)_{\mathcal{U}}, \quad \forall h_1, h_2 \in \mathcal{U},$$

the formal series

$$\dot{W} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \dot{W}(w_k)w_k$$

is called (*Gaussian*) *white noise* on \mathcal{U} .

Note: Due to the fact that $(w_i, w_j) = \delta_{ij}$, $\dot{W}(w_k) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$.

Spectral expansion of \dot{W} : $\dot{W} = \sum_{k \geq 1} w_k(\mathbf{x})\xi_k$, $\xi_k \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$.

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$$\langle\langle f, g \rangle\rangle := \mathbb{E}[(\mathcal{R}f, \mathcal{R}^{-1}g)_X].$$

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Assumption:

- $a_{ij}(\mathbf{x})$ and $\sigma_{ij}(\mathbf{x})$ are measurable and bounded in \bar{D} .
- $A_1|\mathbf{y}|^2 \leq a_{ij}y_i y_j \leq A_2|\mathbf{y}|^2, \forall \mathbf{x} \in \bar{D}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^d$, where A_1 and A_2 are positive numbers.
- w_k is bounded and Lipschitz continuous.

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$$\mathbf{A}\mathbb{E}[u] = \mathbb{E}[f]$$

Mean of the Stochastic PDE is the unperturbed deterministic PDE.

A variational approach

- Function spaces:

$$V := \mathcal{R}L_2(\mathbb{F}; H_0^1(D)) \quad \hat{V} := \mathcal{R}^{-1}L_2(\mathbb{F}; H_0^1(D)).$$

- Bilinear form:

$$\mathcal{B}(u, v) = \langle\langle \mathbf{A}u, v \rangle\rangle + \langle\langle \mathbf{M}u \diamond \dot{W}, v \rangle\rangle.$$

- Linear form:

$$\mathcal{L}(v) = \langle\langle f, v \rangle\rangle.$$

Find a solution $u \in V$ satisfying the weak form:

$$\mathcal{B}(u, v) = \mathcal{L}(v), \quad \forall v \in \hat{V}.$$

Uncertainty propagator

- Let

$$u(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{\xi}) = \sum_{|\alpha|=0}^{\infty} u_{\alpha} h_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{\xi}),$$

where $h_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{\xi})$ are **normalized** Hermite polynomials.

- The Galerkin projection in probability space yields ‘**uncertainty propagator**’ as

$$\mathbf{A}u_{\alpha} + \sum_{k \geq 1} \sqrt{\alpha_k} \mathbf{M}_k u_{\alpha - \epsilon_k} = f_{\alpha},$$

where $\epsilon_k = (0, \dots, 1, \dots, 0)$: only the k -th component equal to 1.

- The ellipticity of \mathbf{A} guarantees the wellposedness.
- u_{α} only depends on coefficients $\beta < \alpha$.

Equivalence between the model problem and its propagator

Theorem. *There exist a unique solution $u \in \mathcal{R}L_2(\mathbb{F}; H_0^1(D))$, if the operator \mathcal{R} is defined by the weights r_α as*

$$r_\alpha = \frac{q^\alpha}{2^{|\alpha|} \sqrt{|\alpha|!}}, \quad \text{with} \quad q^\alpha = \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} q_k^{\alpha_k},$$

where the number q_k are chosen so that

$$\sum_{k \geq 1} k^2 q_k^2 C_k^2 < 1.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_0\|_{H_0^1(D)} &\leq C_A \|f\|_{H^{-1}(D)}, \\ \|\mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{M}_k v\|_{H_0^1(D)} &\leq C_k \|v\|_{H_0^1(D)}, \quad \forall v \in H_0^1(D). \end{aligned}$$

Continuity of $\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{M}_k$

$$\blacksquare |w_k(\mathbf{x})| \leq C_k^w \text{ and } |w_k(\mathbf{x}) - w_k(\mathbf{y})| \leq C_k^L |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|, \forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \bar{D}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 \|\hat{v}\|_{H_0^1(D)}^2 &\leq (\mathbf{A}\hat{v}, \hat{v}) = (\mathbf{M}_k v, \hat{v}) \\ &= \sum_{i,j} (w_k D_i(\sigma_{ij} D_j v), \hat{v}) = \sum_{i,j} (\sigma_{ij} D_j v, D_i(w_k \hat{v})) \\ &= \sum_{i,j} [(\sigma_{ij} D_j v, \hat{v} D_i w_k) + (\sigma_{ij} D_j v, w_k D_i \hat{v})] \\ &\leq \max_{i,j} \sigma_{ij} [C_k^L \|v\|_{H_0^1(D)} \|\hat{v}\|_{L_2(D)} + C_k^w \|v\|_{H_0^1(D)} \|\hat{v}\|_{H_0^1(D)}] \\ &\leq \max_{i,j} \sigma_{ij} (C_k^L C_p + C_k^w) \|v\|_{H_0^1(D)} \|\hat{v}\|_{H_0^1(D)}, \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\|\hat{v}\|_{H_0^1(D)} = \|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{M}_k v\|_{H_0^1(D)} \leq \max_{i,j} \sigma_{ij} (C_k^L C_p + C_k^w) / A_1 \|v\|_{H_0^1(D)},$$

where C_p is the Poincaré constant in D .

A stochastic FEM method

- $V_h \subset H_0^1(D)$: finite element space for the physical discretization.
- Truncated Wiener chaos space:

$$V_c := \left\{ f = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^M, |\alpha| \leq p} f_\alpha h_\alpha \mid f_\alpha \in \mathbb{R}, \|f\|_{\mathcal{R}L_2(\mathbb{F})} < \infty \right\}$$

- The dual space of V_c :

$$V_c^{-1} := \left\{ f = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^M, |\alpha| \leq p} f_\alpha h_\alpha \mid f_\alpha \in \mathbb{R}, \|f\|_{\mathcal{R}^{-1}L_2(\mathbb{F})} < \infty \right\}$$

Find a solution $u_h^{M,p} \in V_h \otimes V_c$ such that

$$\langle\langle \mathbf{A}u_h^{M,p}, v \rangle\rangle + \langle\langle \sum_{k=1}^M \mathbf{M}_k u_h^{M,p} \diamond \xi_k, v \rangle\rangle = \langle\langle f, v \rangle\rangle, \forall v \in V_h \otimes V_c^{-1}.$$

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Error from the truncation of Wiener-chaos expansion:
spectral convergence with respect to the weighted norm.

An numerical example

$$\begin{cases} -\nabla \cdot [(\mathbb{E}[a](\mathbf{x}) + \epsilon \dot{W}) \diamond \nabla u(\mathbf{x}, \omega)] = f(\mathbf{x}), & \mathbf{x} \in D, \\ u(\mathbf{x}, \omega) = 0, & \mathbf{x} \in \partial D, \end{cases}$$

- $D = (0, 1)^2$, $\mathbb{E}[a](\mathbf{x}) = 1$, $\epsilon = 1$, and $f(\mathbf{x}) = 1$.
- Orthonormal basis on $L_2(D)$:

$$w_{m,n}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} 1, & m = n = 0 \\ \sqrt{2} \sin(m\pi x), & n = 0 \\ \sqrt{2} \sin(n\pi y), & m = 0 \\ 2 \sin(m\pi x) \sin(n\pi y), & m, n = 1, 2, \dots, \infty. \end{cases}$$

- $\mathbf{M}_k u = -\nabla \cdot (w_k(\mathbf{x}) \nabla u)$ and continuity of $\mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{M}_k$:

$$C_k = \max w_k(\mathbf{x}) \leq \hat{C}_k = \begin{cases} 1, & m=n=0, \\ \sqrt{2}, & mn = 0, m + n > 0, \\ 2, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

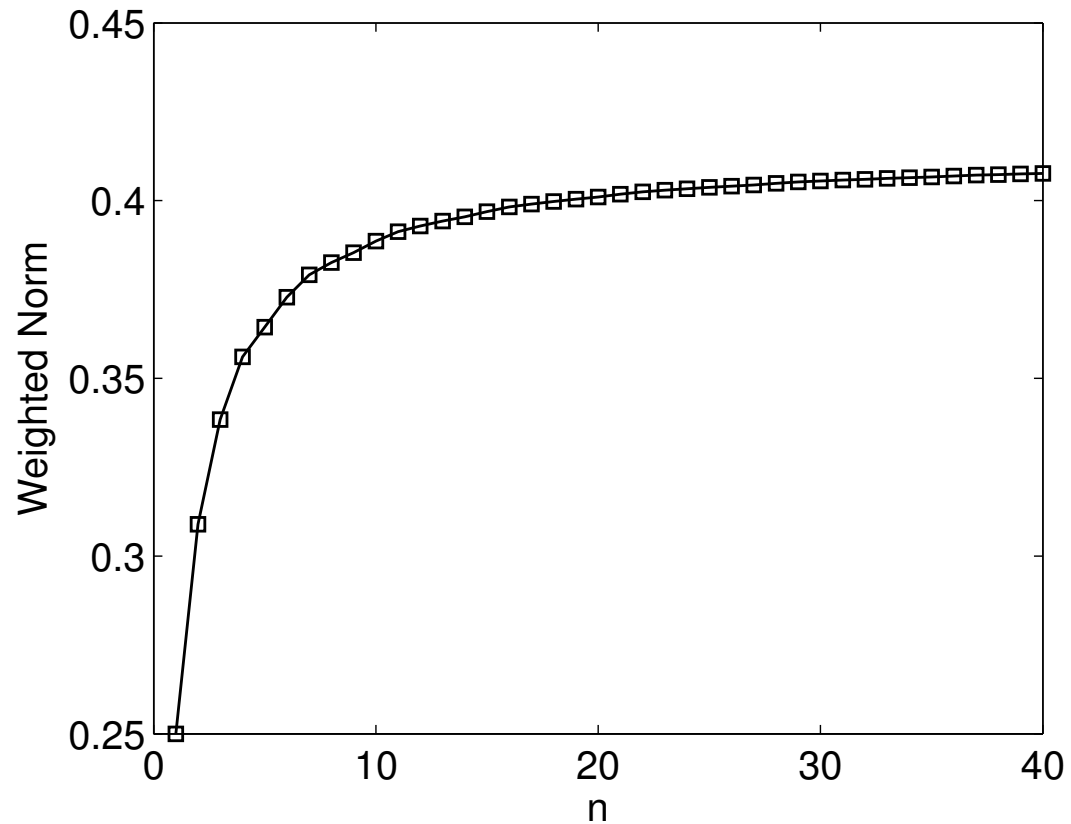
Convergence of approximation of white noise

Weights r_α :

$$r_\alpha = \frac{q^\alpha}{2^{|\alpha|} \sqrt{|\alpha|!}}$$

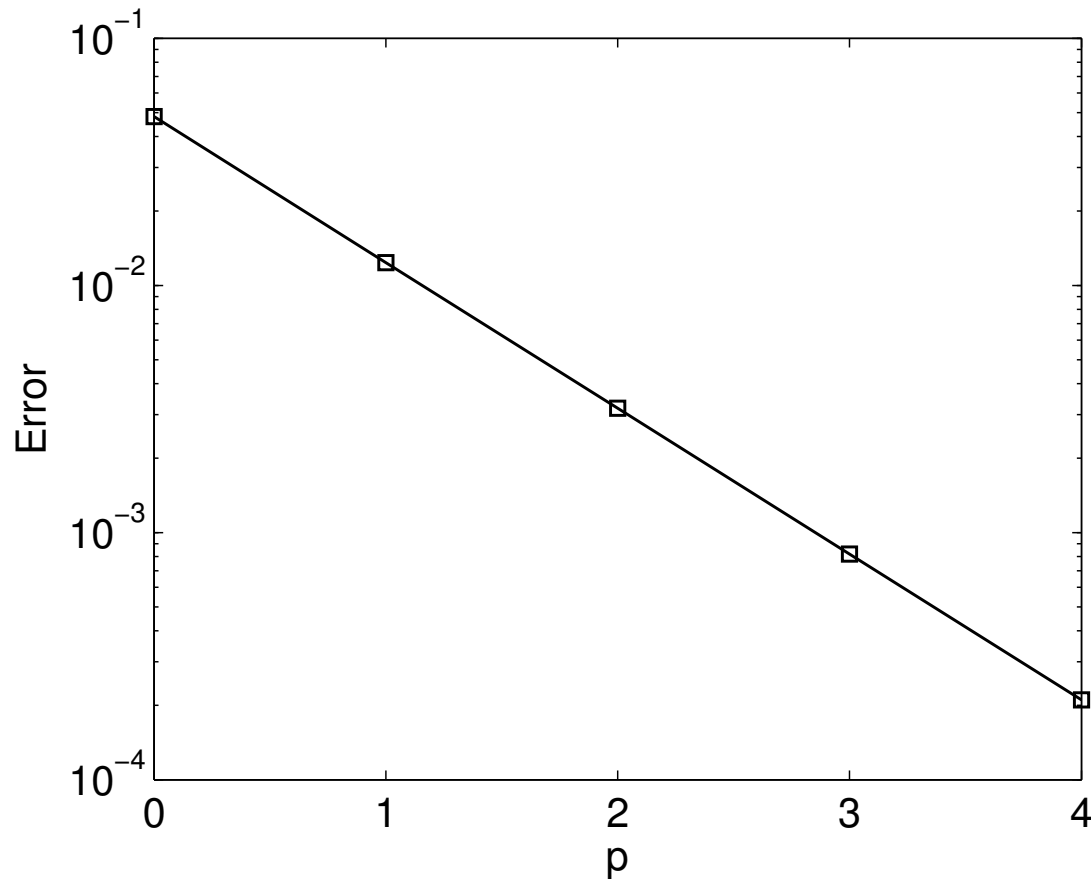
$$q^\alpha = \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} q_k^{\alpha_k}$$

$$q^k = \frac{1}{(k+1)k\hat{C}_k}$$



Weighted L_2 norm of approximate white noise.

p -convergence of the approximate solution



Spectral convergence of $\|u_h^{M,p}\|_{\mathcal{RL}_2(\mathbb{F}; H_0^1(D))}$. $M = 21$.

Generalization of Model II

Itô-Skorokhod integral: $\delta(\mathbf{M}u) = \mathbf{M}u \diamond \dot{W}$



Convolution with respect to $g \in \mathcal{R}L_2(\mathbb{F}; X)$:

$$\mathbf{M}u \diamond g = \mathbf{M}u \diamond \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^{\mathbb{N}}} g_{\alpha} H_{\alpha}$$

Comparison between Wick and ordinary products

$$\begin{cases} -\frac{d}{dx} \left(K(x, \omega) * \frac{du}{dx} \right) = 1 \\ u(0) = 0, \quad u(1) = 0. \end{cases}$$

- ‘*’ indicates Wick product ‘ \diamond ’ or ordinary product ‘ \cdot ’.
- $K(x) = e^{c\xi - \frac{1}{2}c^2}$, $\xi \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$, c is constant.
- $\mathbb{E}[K] = 1$, $\text{Var}[K] = e^{c^2} - 1$.

Wellposedness of the 1D models

$$u(x) = \sum_{i=0}^p u_i(x) h_i(\xi)$$

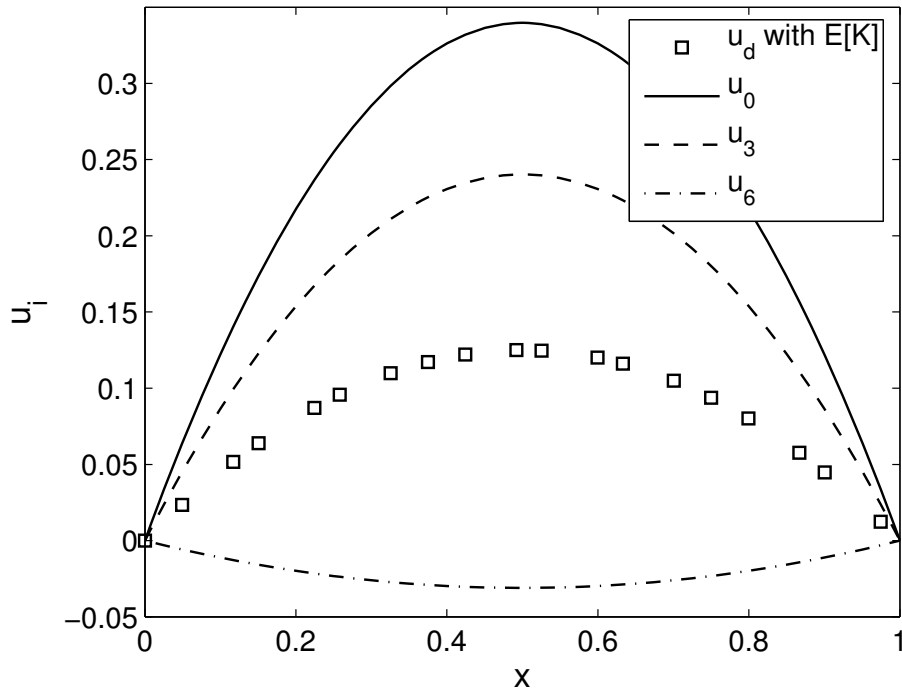


$$\begin{cases} - \sum_{i=0}^p \mathbb{E}[K \xi_i \xi_j] \frac{d^2}{dx^2} u_i & = \delta_{0j}, \forall j = 0, \dots, p \\ - \sum_{i=0}^p \mathbb{E}[(K \diamond \xi_i) \xi_j] \frac{d^2}{dx^2} u_i & = \delta_{0j}, \forall j = 0, \dots, p \end{cases}$$

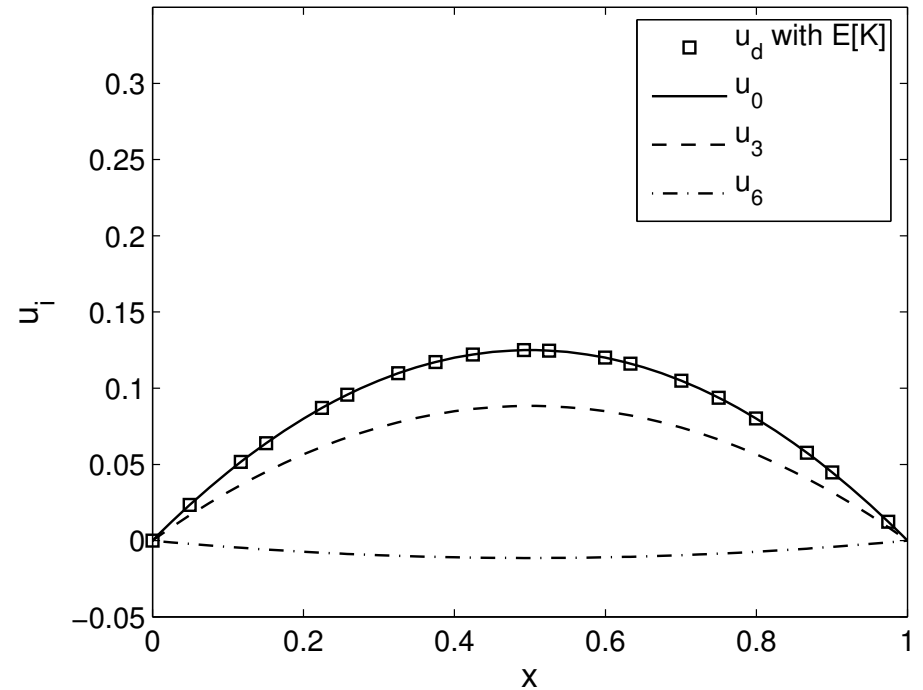
- $\mathbb{E}[K \xi_i \xi_j]$ is symmetric and nonnegative-definite.
- $\mathbb{E}[(K \diamond \xi_i) \xi_j]$ is lower-triangular with $\mathbb{E}[(K \diamond \xi_i) \xi_i] = 1$, which means that u_i only depends on u_j with $j < i$.

Both systems are wellposed.

Comparison between coefficients of Wiener chaos expansions

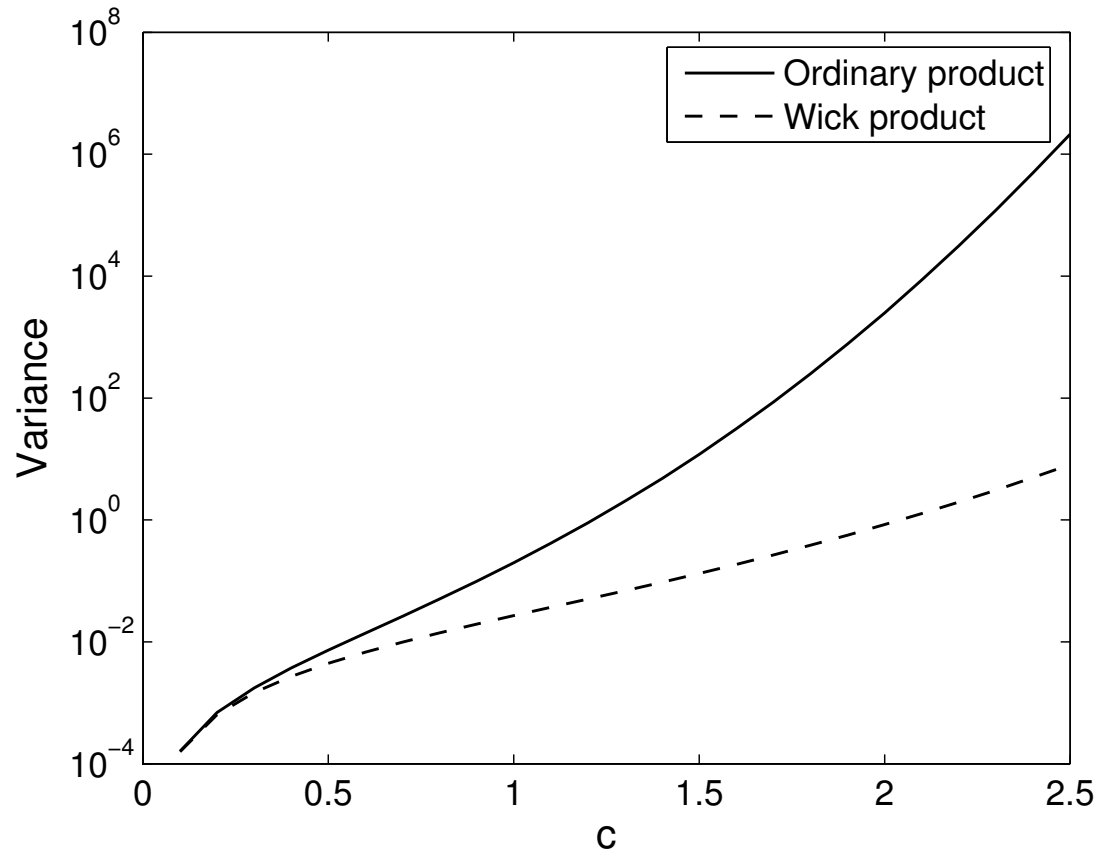


Ordinary product



Wick product

Comparison between variances



Variance versus perturbation at $x = 0.5$.

Summary

- A brief overview of polynomial chaos methods for elliptic PDEs perturbed by colored noise.
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 - Adaptive polynomial chaos methods.
- A stochastic FE method for elliptic PDEs perturbed by spatial white noise.
 - Itô-Skorokhod integral - convolution with respect to white noise through the wick product.
 - Weighted Wiener chaos space
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