

# **Kernel-based Discretisation for Solving Matrix-valued PDEs**

**(based on work with Peter Giesl (Sussex))**

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Goal: Find  $M$  symmetric and positive definite, solving

$$Df^T(x)M(x) + M(x)Df(x) + M'(x) = -C(x), \quad x \in \Omega.$$

# Riemannian Contraction Metric

Consider  $\dot{x} = f(x)$

## Theorem

Let  $\emptyset \neq G \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be a compact, connected and positively invariant set and  $M$  be a **Riemannian contraction metric** in  $G$ , i.e.

- $M \in C^1(G, \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$ , such that  $M(x)$  is **symmetric** and **positive definite** for all  $x \in G$ .
- $Df(x)^T M(x) + M(x)Df(x) + M'(x)$  is **negative definite** for all  $x \in G$ .

Then there exists one and only one equilibrium in  $x_0$  in  $G$ ;  $x_0$  is exponentially stable and  $G$  is a subset of the basin of attraction  $A(x_0)$ .

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The Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}(\Omega; W)$  is called a **reproducing kernel Hilbert space** if there is a function  $\Phi : \Omega \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(W)$  with

1.  $\Phi(\cdot, x)\alpha \in \mathcal{H}(\Omega; W)$  for all  $x \in \Omega$  and all  $\alpha \in W$ .
2.  $\langle f(x), \alpha \rangle_W = \langle f, \Phi(\cdot, x)\alpha \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$  for all  $f \in \mathcal{H}(\Omega; W)$ , all  $x \in \Omega$  and all  $\alpha \in W$ .

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$$\sum_{i,j=1}^N \langle \alpha_i, \Phi(x_i, x_j) \alpha_j \rangle_W \geq 0$$

*for all  $x_1, \dots, x_N \in \Omega$  and all  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_N \in W$ .*

# Interpolation

## Theorem

If  $x_1, \dots, x_N$  are pairwise distinct points from  $\Omega$  and if  $f_1, \dots, f_N \in W$  are given, then there is exactly one interpolant of the form

$$s_f(x) = \sum_{j=1}^N \Phi(x, x_j) \alpha_j$$

which satisfies  $s_f(x_i) = f_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq N$ .

# Generalised Interpolation

## Theorem

Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space. Let  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_N \in H^*$  be linearly independent linear functionals with Riesz representers  $v_1, \dots, v_N \in H$ . Then the element  $s^* \in H$  which solves

$$\min\{\|s\|_H : s \in H \text{ with } \lambda_j(s) = f_j, 1 \leq j \leq N\}$$

is given by

$$s^* = \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k v_k,$$

where the coefficients are determined by  $A_\Lambda \beta = f$  with the positive definite matrix  $A_\Lambda = (a_{ik})$  having entries  $a_{ik} = \lambda_i(v_k) = \langle v_k, v_i \rangle_H$ .

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the coefficients  $\beta_k \in \mathbb{R}$  are determined by

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_i^x \left[ \lambda_k^y \sum_{j \in J} (\Phi(y, x)\alpha_j) \alpha_j \right] \beta_k = f_i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq N.$$

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i.e. a **tensor of order 4** represented as  $\Phi = (\Phi_{ijkl})$  with

$$(\Phi(x, y)\alpha)_{ij} = \sum_{k,\ell=1}^n \Phi(x, y)_{ijkl} \alpha_{k\ell}, \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}(\mathbb{S}^{n \times n})$$

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- Reproducing kernel: Let  $\phi : \Omega \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a reproducing kernel of  $H^\sigma(\Omega)$  and set

$$\Phi(x, y)_{ijkl} := \phi(x, y) \delta_{ik} \delta_{jl}, \quad x, y \in \Omega, 1 \leq i, j, k, l \leq n.$$

# Main Result

## Theorem

$\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$  bounded, Lipschitz.  $\sigma, \tau > d/2$ . Let

$F : H^\sigma(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}) \rightarrow H^\tau(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$  ( $F : H^\sigma(\Omega; \mathbb{S}^{n \times n}) \rightarrow H^\tau(\Omega; \mathbb{S}^{n \times n})$ )  
be linear and bounded. Finally, let  $X = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\} \subseteq \Omega$  be given  
and let

$$\lambda_k^{(i,j)}(M) := e_i^T F(M)(x_k) e_j, \quad 1 \leq k \leq N, \quad \begin{smallmatrix} 1 \leq i, j \leq n \\ 1 \leq i \leq j \leq n \end{smallmatrix}.$$

Then each  $\lambda_k^{(i,j)}$  belongs to the dual of  $H^\sigma(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$  ( $H^\sigma(\Omega; \mathbb{S}^{n \times n})$ ).  
If they are linearly independent and if  $S$  denotes the optimal recovery  
of  $M \in H^\sigma(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$  ( $H^\sigma(\Omega; \mathbb{S}^{n \times n})$ ) then

$$\|F(M) - F(S)\|_{L_\infty(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})} \leq C h_{X, \Omega}^{\tau-d/2} \|M\|_{H^\sigma(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})}.$$

# Contraction Metric

$$F(M)(x) := Df^T(x)M(x) + M(x)Df(x) + \nabla M(x) \cdot f(x) = -C. \quad (1)$$

## Theorem

$f \in C^{[\sigma]}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $\sigma > n/2 + 1$ . Let  $x_0$  be an exponentially stable equilibrium of  $\dot{x} = f(x)$  with basin of attraction  $A(x_0)$ . Let  $C \in \mathbb{S}^{n \times n}$  be a positive definite (constant) matrix and let  $M \in C^\sigma(A(x_0), \mathbb{S}^{n \times n})$  be the solution of (1). Let  $K \subseteq \Omega \subseteq A(x_0)$  be a positively invariant and compact set, where  $\Omega$  is open with Lipschitz boundary. Finally, let  $S$  be the optimal recovery. Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\|M - S\|_{L_\infty(K; \mathbb{S}^{n \times n})} &\leq c \|F(M) - F(S)\|_{L_\infty(\Omega; \mathbb{S}^{n \times n})} \\ &\leq Ch_{X, \Omega}^{\sigma-1-n/2} \|M\|_{H^\sigma(\Omega; \mathbb{S}^{n \times n})}.\end{aligned}$$

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- The RBF:

$$\phi(r) = (1 - cr)^{10}(2145(cr)^4 + 2250(cr)^3 + 1050(cr)^2 + 250cr + 25)_+$$

with  $c = 0.9$  which is a reproducing kernel in  $H^\sigma(\mathbb{R}^2)$  with  $\sigma = 5.5$ .

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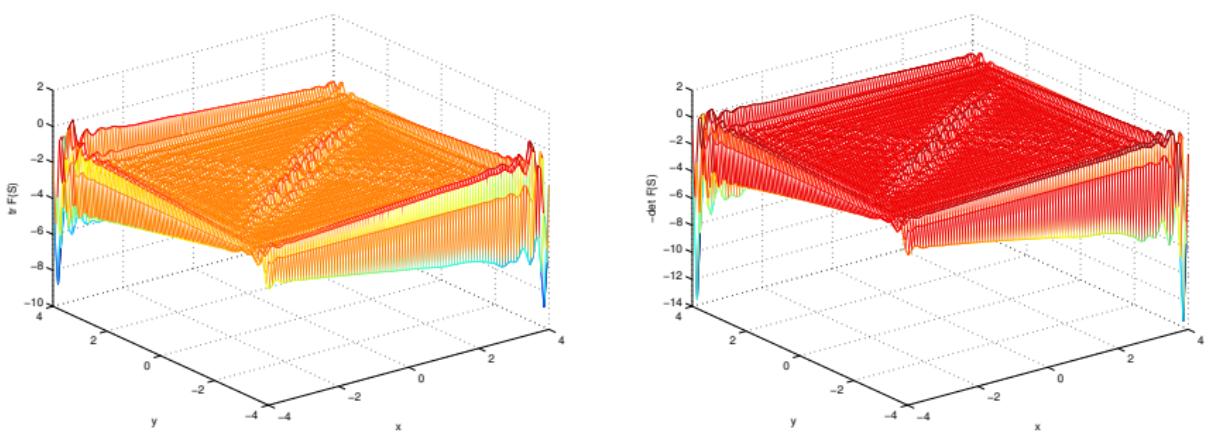
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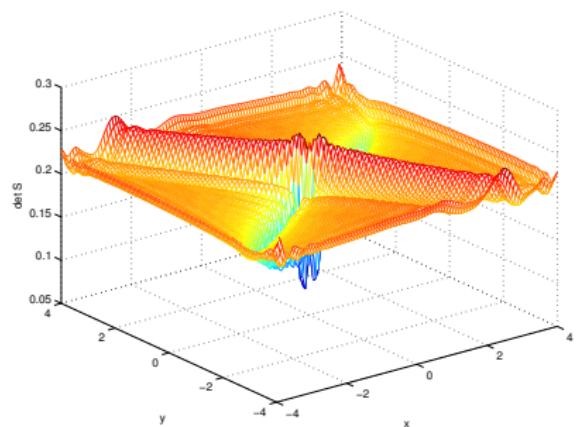
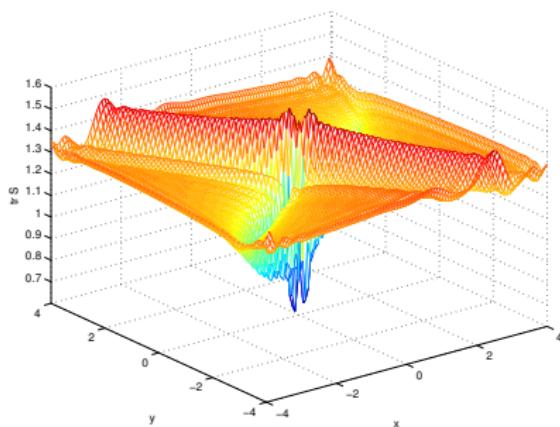
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$1/2$	2.5724		1.2334	
$1/4$	1.2833	2.0045	0.9169	1.3452
$1/8$	0.3516	3.6499	0.0124	73.9435
$1/16$	0.0329	10.6838	5.6040e-4	22.1271
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# Pictures



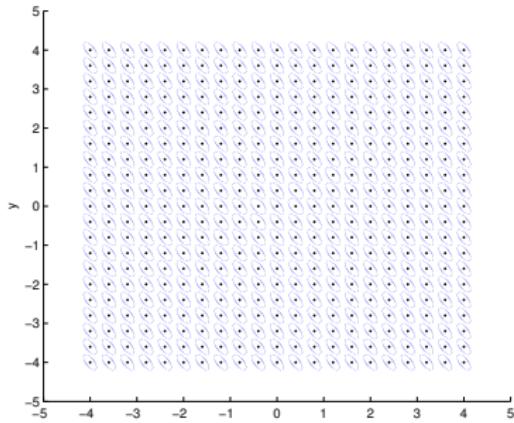
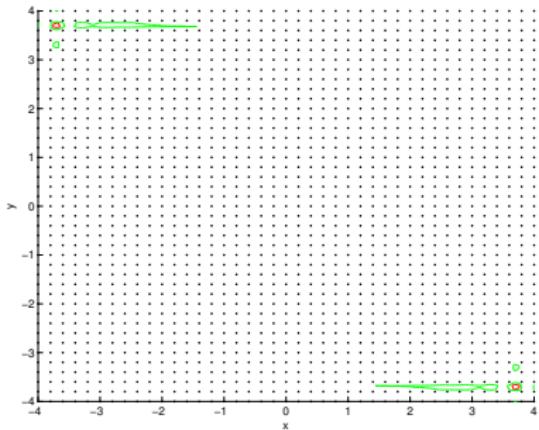
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**Figure:** Left: Points used for RBF approximation and areas where  $\text{trace } F(S)(x, y) = 0$  (red) and  $\det F(S)(x, y) = 0$  (green). Right: We have plotted the curve of equal distance with respect to metric  $S(x)$ , in particular the set  $\{x + v \mid (v - x)^T S(x) (v - x) = \text{const}\}$ .