Reduced-Basis method for 4DVar data assimilation

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MAP of $\mathcal{N}(x^s, P^s)$: quadratic minimization

 $p(x_0 \dots x_N | z_0 \dots z_N) \propto \prod_{k=0}^N p(z_k | x_k) p(x_k | x_{k-1})$ MAP minimizes

$$J(x_0 \dots x_N) := \sum_{n=0}^{N} (Hx_n - z_n^d)^T R_n^{-1} (Hx_n - z_n^d) + \sum_{n=1}^{N} (x_n - Mx_{n-1} - f_{n-1})^T Q_n^{-1} (x_n - Mx_{n-1} - f_{n-1}) + (x_0 - x_0^f)^T Q_0^{-1} (x_0 - x_0^f)$$
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the so-called **weak 4DVar** computational problem: a large (invertible) linear system *parametrized by* ν in $M(\nu)$.

4DVar with parameter: cost decreased by RB

4DVar is computationally expensive, especially if $N \gg 1$.

Computing $x^{s}(\nu)$ for many ν is *very* expensive.

A *Reduced Basis (RB)* approximation $\tilde{x}^{s}(\nu) \approx x^{s}(\nu)$ decreases the computational cost of $x^{s}(\nu)$ after a *learning stage* has exploited enough variations in ν .

A good *estimator* for $\tilde{x}^{s}(\nu) - x^{s}(\nu)$ is crucial to a fast learning stage.

Note : in practice, the 4DVar saddle-point system is often reduced but *without error control*

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Reduced Basis construction for 4DVar: estimate

Duality: rewrite J with $\sum_{n=1}^{N} (p^n)^T Q_n^{-1} p^n$ and

$$+\left((m+\Delta t a)c^n-mc^{n-1}-\Delta t f^n-\sqrt{\Delta t} g_jw_j^n\right)^T p^n$$

so 4Dvar rewrites as a system for c^n , p^n with $p^N = 0$ and

$$(m + \Delta t a)p^{n-1} = mp^n + H^T R_n^{-1} (z_n^d - Hc^n)$$

which can be treated by RB like the (forward) eq. for c^n

$$\sum_{n=1}^{N} \|\boldsymbol{e}_{p}^{N}\|^{2} \leq \beta_{a}^{-1} \left(2\beta_{a}^{-1} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \|\boldsymbol{r}_{p}^{n}\|_{a_{0}'}^{2} + 2C_{m}C_{H^{T}R^{-1}H} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \|\boldsymbol{e}_{c}^{n}\|^{2} \right)$$

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Reduced Basis construction for 4DVar: greedy

$$\|\boldsymbol{e}_{c}^{0}\|^{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{N} \|\boldsymbol{e}_{B}^{n}\|^{2} \lesssim \beta_{a}^{-2} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{N} \|\boldsymbol{r}_{p}^{n}\|_{\boldsymbol{a}_{0}'}^{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{N} \|\boldsymbol{r}_{c}^{n}\|_{\boldsymbol{a}_{0}'}^{2} \right) := \Delta'$$

allows 4DVar RB to use a *new* POD-greedy given $\epsilon > 0$:

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Advection-diffusion in TG vortices

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advection by:
$$(\sin(\pi x_1)\cos(\pi x_2), -\cos(\pi x_1)\sin(\pi x_2))$$



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Error estimate



Strong 4DVar Q = 0 (left) and weak Q = .1 (right)

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Optimum: $\nu^* = .034$ (strong), .022 (weak)

Ν	$e_{J,N}^{\max}$ (strong)	$e_{ u,N}$ (strong)	$e_{J,N}^{\max}$ (weak)	$e_{\nu,N}$ (weak)
10	3.12e-01	4.18e-01	2.44e-01	6.02e-02
20	7.36e-03	1.30e-01	1.70e-02	9.33e-03
30	8.22e-04	1.42e-03	3.51e-03	1.70e-04
40	1.24e-04	4.99e-04	6.37e-04	3.26e-04
50	1.14e-05	2.98e-05	2.05e-04	3.53e-05
60	4.36e-06	1.27e-05	9.70e-05	3.90e-05
70	3.92e-07	4.18e-06	3.58e-05	1.93e-05
80	8.76e-08	9.71e-08	1.05e-05	4.12e-06
90	-	-	4.17e-06	2.51e-06
100	-	-	1.94e-06	3.09e-06

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Conclusion & Perspectives

RB can be specialized to 4DVar with (LTI) parabolic PDEs

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Other models / DA procedures ?

Thanks for listening