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# Model Order Reduction at Industrial Scale

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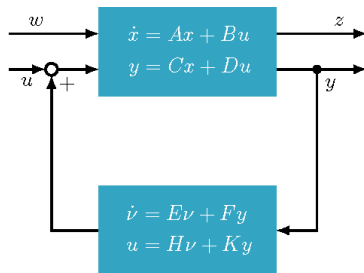
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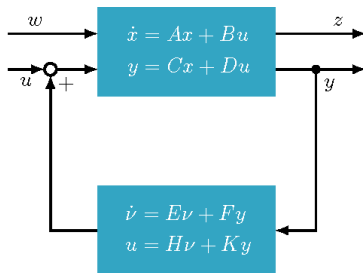
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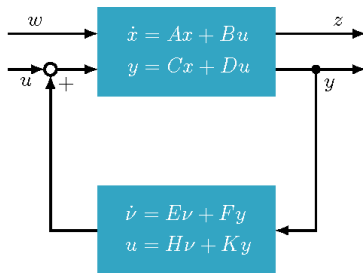
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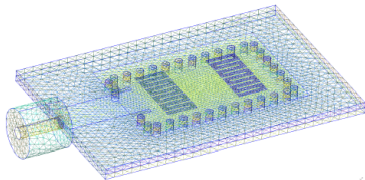
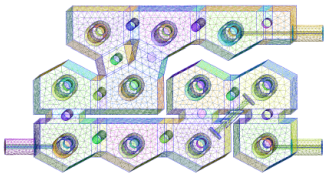
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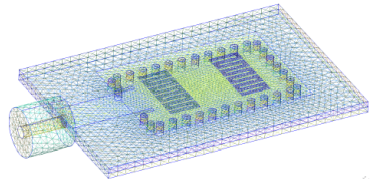
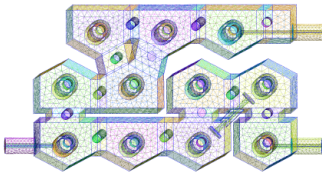


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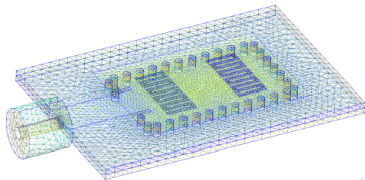
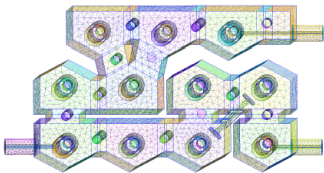
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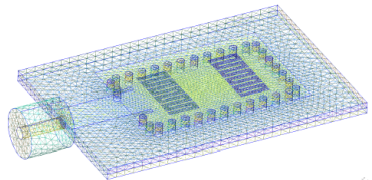
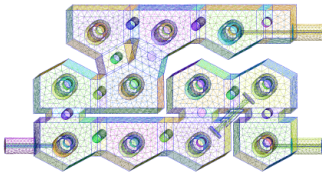
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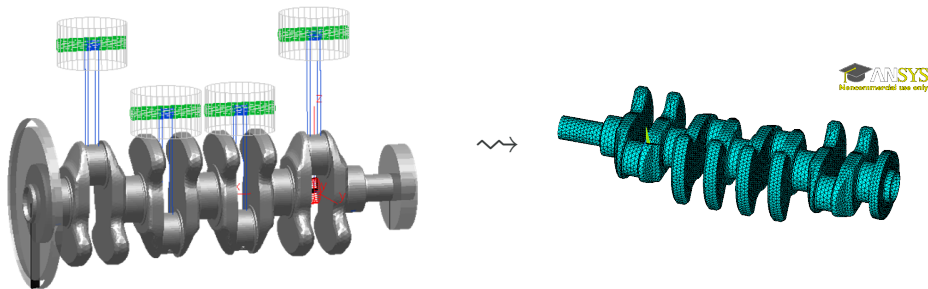


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  - modeling **transmission lines (interconnect, powergrid)**, **parasitic effects**,
  - modeling circuit elements described by Maxwell's equation using partial element equivalent circuits (**PEEC**), e.g., microwave devices like **splitters and diplexers**, electromagnetic devices like **antennas**.





- Resolving complex 3D geometries  $\Rightarrow$  millions of degrees of freedom.
- Analysis of elastic deformations requires many simulation runs for varying external forces.
- **Additional goal:** Preserve second-order structure in reduced-order model, i.e.,

$$M\ddot{x}(t) + D\dot{x}(t) + \mathcal{K}(x(t)) = Bu(t)$$

for seamless integration into commercial EMBD simulation software.



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**Model reduction in frequency domain:** Fast evaluation of mapping  $U \rightarrow Y$ .

## Formulating model reduction in frequency domain

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2000	LyaPack-1.0	Thilo Penzl
2002–2006	LyaPack-1.1–1.9	Jens Saak, Peter Benner
2007–2016	M-M.E.S.S.-1.0(.1)	Jens Saak, Martin Köhler, Peter Benner
2017–2020	M-M.E.S.S.-2.0(.1)	Jens Saak, Martin Köhler, Peter Benner

**Core algorithm: low-rank alternating directions implicit iteration.  
LR-ADI**

## New and Planned Releases

M-M.E.S.S.-2.1	extended MOR features
M-M.E.S.S.-3.0	Krylov-projection based solvers / Inexact solves in LR-ADI / first Sylvester <b>released 22 Sept. 2023!</b>
M-M.E.S.S.-4.0 long term	non-symmetric matrix equations Lur'e equations / large-scale LMIs / parametric MOR?



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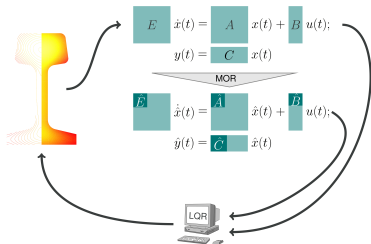
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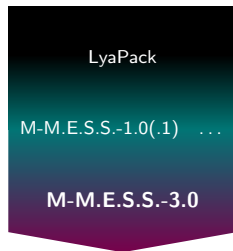
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- The transformed implicit systems are (preferably) never formed explicitly.
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System	standard / generalized state-space form	second-order 1st/2nd companion form	index-1 DAE	index-2 Stokes-type DAEs	second-order index-1/2/3 using companion form
Demos	FDM, Rail	TripleChain	DAE1 (BIPS Power-systems model)	DAE2 Stokes, Kármán vortex shedding	constrained TripleChain

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Algebraic Riccati equations  $\mathcal{R}(X) = 0$ :

$$\begin{array}{|c|} \hline A^T \\ \hline \end{array} X + X \begin{array}{|c|} \hline A \\ \hline \end{array} - X \begin{array}{|c|} \hline BB^T \\ \hline \end{array} X + \begin{array}{|c|} \hline C^T C \\ \hline \end{array} = 0$$

where  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  (sparse),  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ , and  $C \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$  with  $m, p \ll n$  and  $n$  "large".

Common solution paradigm: compute low-rank approximation:

$$X \approx \begin{array}{|c|} \hline z \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|c|} \hline z^T \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \text{or} \quad X \approx \begin{array}{|c|} \hline z \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|c|} \hline D \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|c|} \hline z^T \\ \hline \end{array}$$

## M-M.E.S.S. — facts & figures:

# contributors:	≈ 15
# code lines:	≈ 24,000 (≈ 32,000 including CI tests)
# comment and help lines:	≈ 14,000 (≈ 15,000 including CI tests)
history:	more than 20 years of active development
license:	BSD 2-Clause
current version:	3.0 (22 Sept. 2023)

## Benchmarks

Fishtail	BT, second-order, ≈780k DoFs
Adaptive Spindle support	BT, second-order index-1, ≈250k DoFs
Stefan problem	LTV-LQR (non-autonomous DRE), ≈25k DoFs



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## SparseBalancedTruncation

Sparse balanced truncation model order reduction object  
Since R2023b

R2023b

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### Description

The `SparseBalancedTruncation` object stores model order reduction (MOR) specifications for the balanced truncation of sparse linear time-invariant (LTI) models.

### Creation

The `reducespec` function creates a sparse balanced truncation model order reduction object when you use this syntax.

```
R = reducespec(sys,"balanced")
```

Here, `sys` is a sparse LTI model (`sparss`, `mechss`). The workflow uses this object to set up MOR tasks and store results. For the full model order reduction workflow, see [Task-Based Model Order Reduction Workflow](#).

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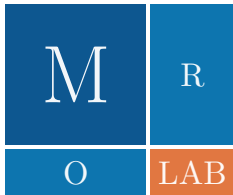
## Algorithms

The sparse balanced truncation algorithm performs these steps to reduce the input model  $G$  to the desired order  $k$ .

1. Find the low-rank approximations  $L_r$  and  $L_o$  of the Gramian factors. This is based on the low-rank alternating directions implicit (LRADI) algorithm, which is an iterative method for solving the Lyapunov equations. For more details, see [1] and [2].
2. Compute the HSVs  $\sigma_j$  based on the approximate controllability and observability Gramians.
3. Obtain the reduced order model using the balanced model truncation with absolute error control [3] (see the Algorithms section of [BalancedTruncation](#)).

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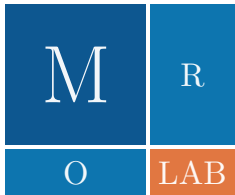


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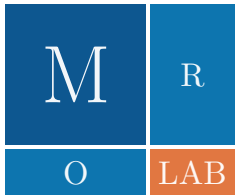
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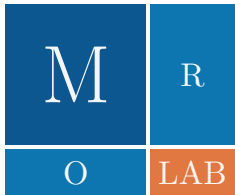
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- Routines for sparse systems with M-M.E.S.S. backend.



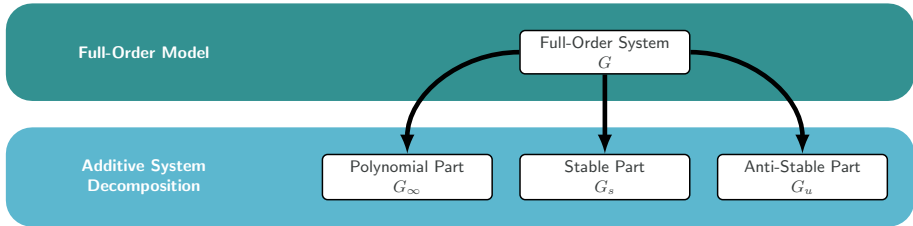
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- Dependencies:** MATLAB ( $\geq 2018a$ ), Octave ( $\geq 6.2.0$ )

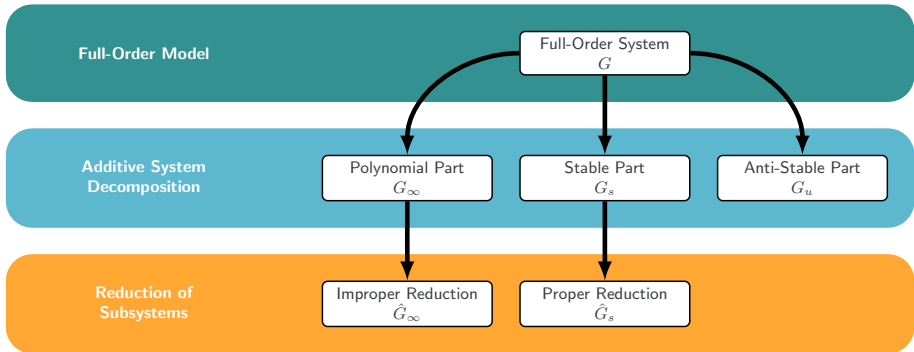


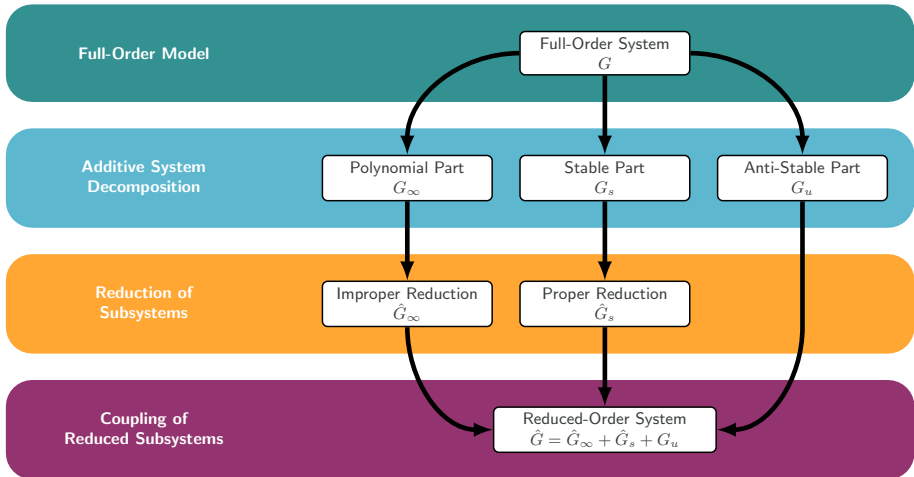
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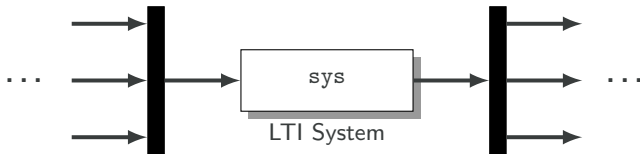
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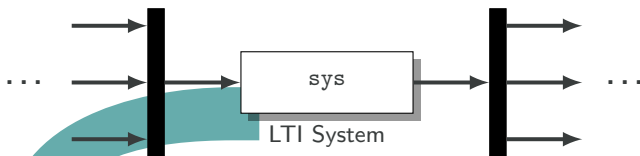
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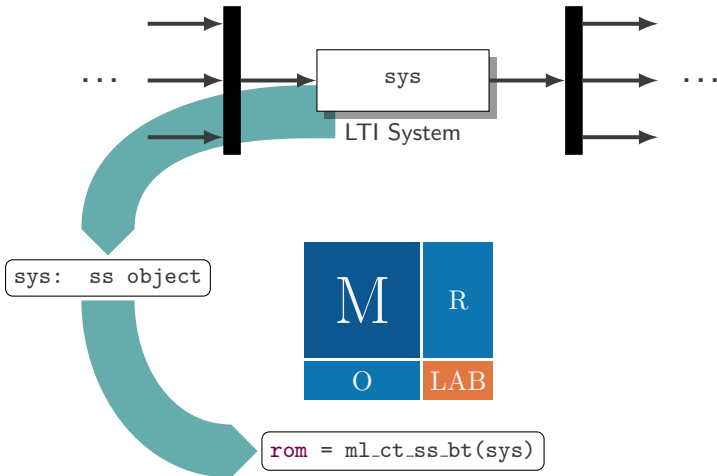
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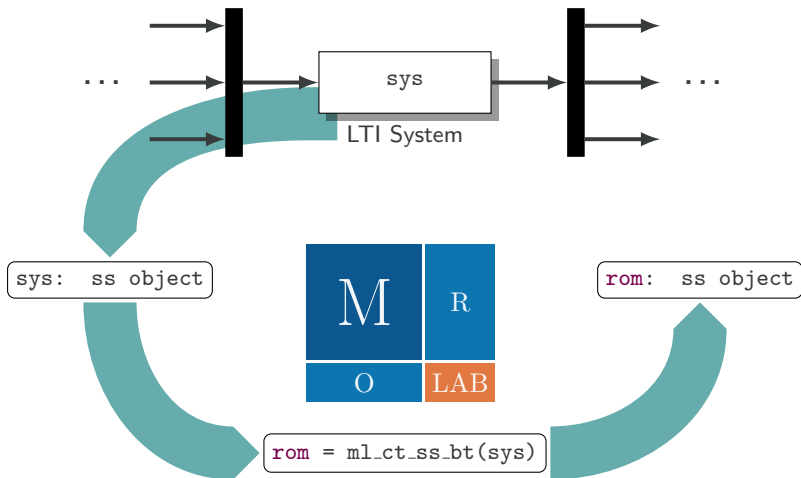


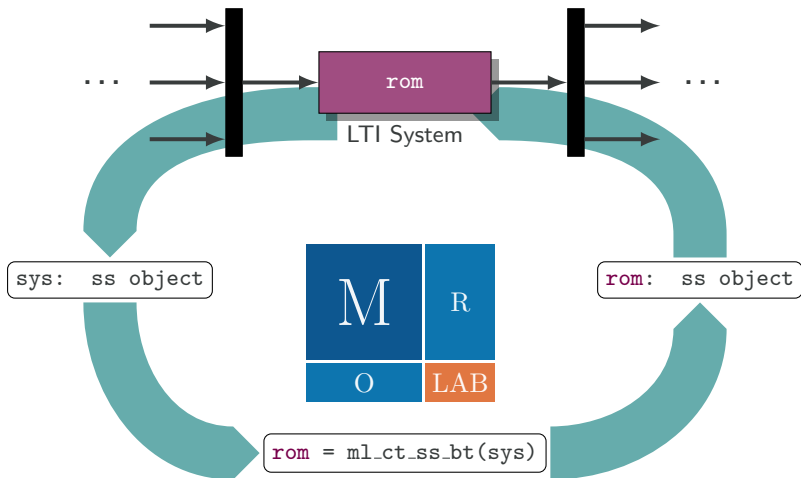




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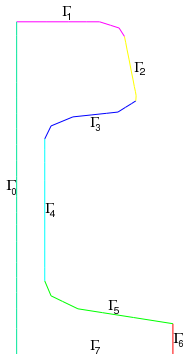
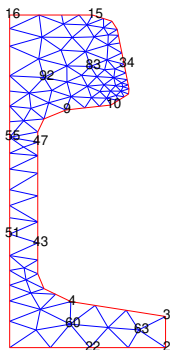
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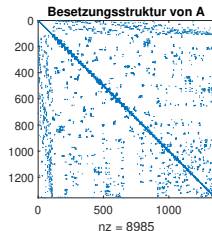
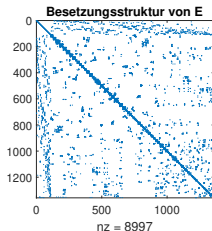
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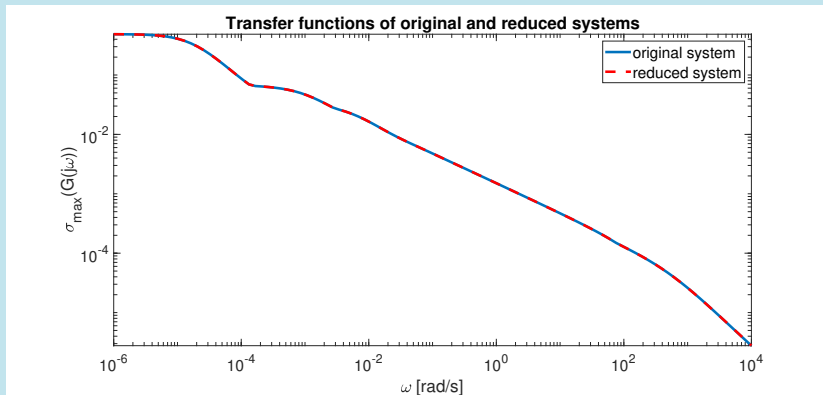
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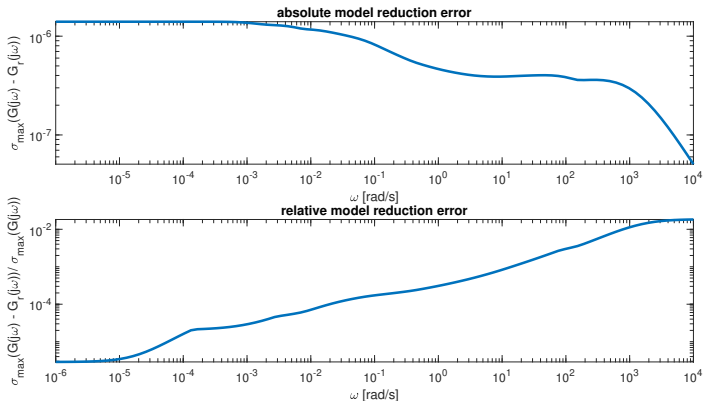
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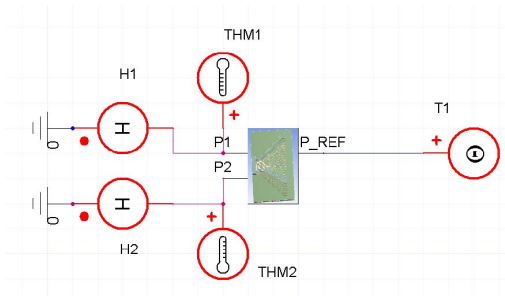


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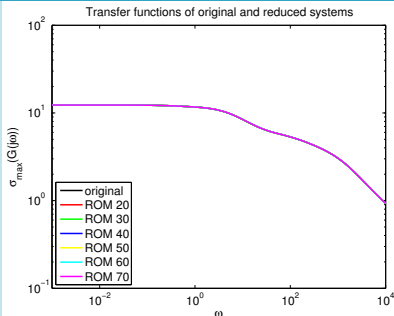
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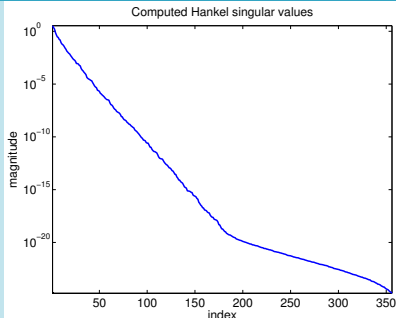
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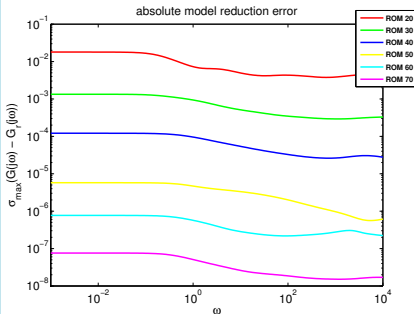


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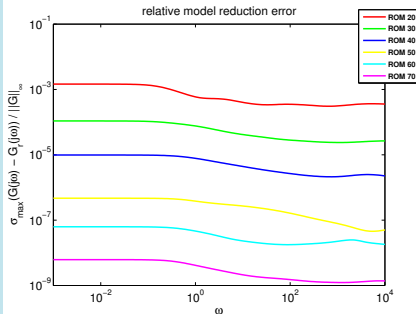


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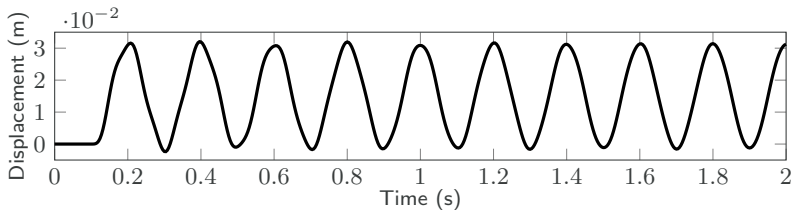
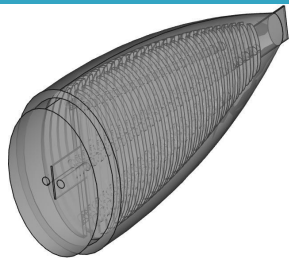


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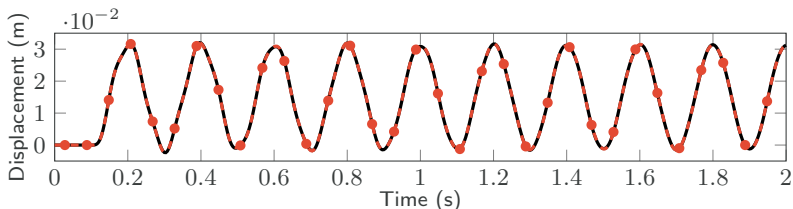
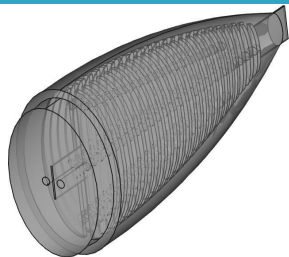


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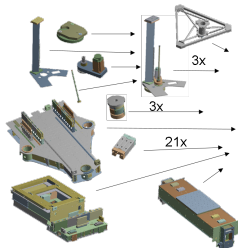
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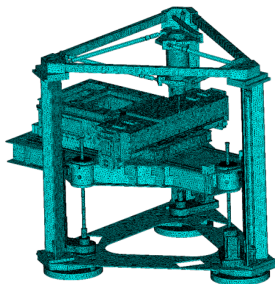


CAD model



*FEM*  
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FE-Model: **1.2M DOFs**



## Industrial challenges for virtual twin:

- **non-homogeneous initial conditions (IC)** — two approaches: augment input with IC ("BTX0") or use superposition ("2phase"),
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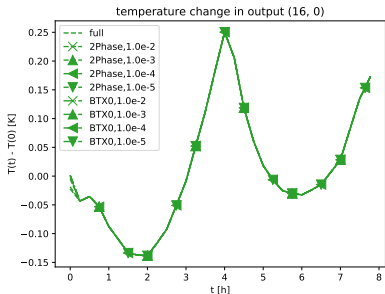
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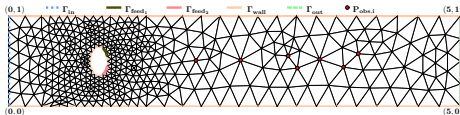
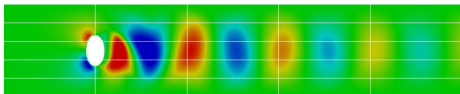
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Model by Heiko K. Weichelt

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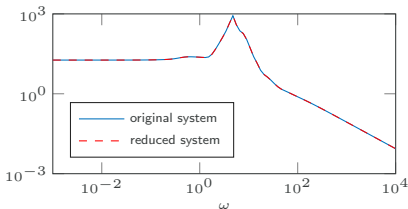
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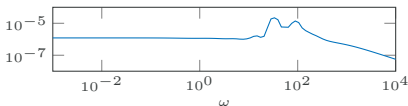
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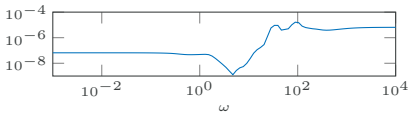
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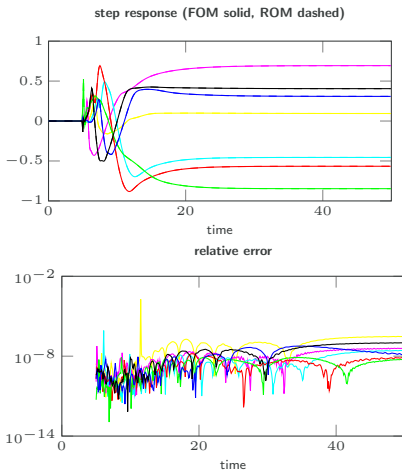
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## Definition

[SCHERPEN 1993, GRAY/MESKO 1996]

The **reachability energy functional**  $L_c(x_0)$ , and **observability energy functional**  $L_o(x_0)$  of a system are given as:

$$L_c(x_0) = \inf_{\substack{u \in L_2(-\infty, 0] \\ x(-\infty)=0, x(0)=x_0}} \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^0 \|u(t)\|^2 dt, \quad L_o(x_0) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} \|y(t)\|^2 dt.$$

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**Note:** For linear (LTI) systems,

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$$P = \int_0^{\infty} x(t)x(t)^T dt, \quad \text{where } x(t) \text{ solves } \dot{x} = f(x, \delta), \quad x(0) = x_0.$$

- 2 Use time-domain integrator to produce snapshots  $x_k \approx x(t_k)$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, K$ .
- 3 Approximate  $P \approx \sum_{k=0}^K w_k x_k x_k^T$  with positive weights  $w_k$ .
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$$A^T Q + Q A^T + \sum_{i=1}^m A_i^T Q A_i + C^T C = 0.$$

(Note: if their solutions exist, they define reachability and observability Gramians of BIBO stable bilinear system.)

- Here, we aim at determining algebraic Gramians for polynomial systems, which
  - provide bounds for the energy functionals of polynomial systems,
  - generalize the Gramians of linear and bilinear systems, and
  - allow us to find the states that are hard to reach as well as hard to observe in an efficient and reliable way.

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**Examples:** [FitzHugh-Nagumo](#) and [Chafee-Infante](#) equations lead to cubic control systems; cubic-quintic [Allen-Cahn](#) equation to quintic control system.

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$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \int_0^t e^{A\sigma_1} Bu(t - \sigma_1) d\sigma_1 + \int_0^t e^{A\sigma_1} Nx(t - \sigma_1) u(t - \sigma_1) d\sigma_1 \\ &\quad + \int_0^t e^{A\sigma_1} Hx(t - \sigma_1) \otimes x(t - \sigma_1) d\sigma_1 \\ &= \int_0^t e^{A\sigma_1} Bu(t - \sigma_1) d\sigma_1 + \int_0^t \int_0^{t-\sigma_1} e^{A\sigma_1} Ne^{A\sigma_2} Bu(t - \sigma_1) u(t - \sigma_1 - \sigma_2) d\sigma_1 d\sigma_2 \\ &\quad + \int_0^t \int_0^{t-\sigma_1} \int_0^{t-\sigma_1-\sigma_2} e^{A\sigma_1} H(e^{A\sigma_2} B \otimes e^{A\sigma_3} B) u(t - \sigma_1 - \sigma_2) u(t - \sigma_1 - \sigma_3) d\sigma_1 d\sigma_2 d\sigma_3 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

- By iteratively inserting expressions for  $x(t - \bullet)$ , we obtain the **Volterra series expansion** for quadratic-bilinear (and, more general, polynomial) systems. [RUGH 1981]

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## Theorem

[B./GOYAL/PONTES DUFF 2018]

The reachability Gramian  $P$  of a PC system solves the polynomial Lyapunov equation

$$AP + PA^T + BB^T + \sum_{j=2}^{n_p} H_j (\otimes^j P) H_j^T + \sum_{j=2}^{n_p} \sum_{k=1}^m N_j^k (\otimes^j P) (N_j^k)^T = 0.$$

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[FUJIMOTO ET AL. 2002]

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- Then, by taking the kernel of Volterra series, one has

**Theorem**

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Let  $P$  be the **reachability Gramian**. Then, the **observability Gramian**  $Q$  of the PC system solves the **polynomial Lyapunov equation**

$$A^T Q + Q A + C^T C + \sum_{j=2}^{np} H_j^{(2)} \left( \otimes^{j-1} P \otimes Q \right) \left( H_j^{(2)} \right)^T + \sum_{j=2}^{np} \sum_{k=1}^m N_j^{k,(2)} \left( \otimes^{j-1} P \otimes Q \right) \left( N_j^{k,(2)} \right)^T = 0.$$

- Polynomial Lyapunov equations are very expensive to solve, efficient algorithms have not yet been developed.
- We thus propose truncated Gramians that only involve a finite number of kernels and can be computed using the methods in MORLAB or M-M.E.S.S.:

$$P_{\mathcal{T}} = \sum_{k=1}^{n_p+1} \int_0^{\infty} \cdots \int_0^{\infty} \bar{P}_k(t_1, \dots, t_k) \bar{P}_k(t_1, \dots, t_k)^T dt_1 \dots dt_k.$$

## Truncated Gramians

The **truncated reachability Gramian** solves

$$AP_{\mathcal{T}} + P_{\mathcal{T}}A^T + BB^T + \sum_{j=2}^{n_p} H_j \otimes^j P_l H_j^T + \sum_{j=2}^{n_p} \sum_{k=1}^m N_j^k \otimes^j P_l (N_j^k)^T = 0.$$

where  $AP_l + P_l A^T + BB^T = 0$

- Advantage:** Only need to solve a finite number of (linear) Lyapunov equations.

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon v_t(x, t) &= \epsilon^2 v_{xx}(x, t) + f(v(x, t)) - w(x, t) + q, \\ w_t(x, t) &= hv(x, t) - \gamma w(x, t) + q, \end{aligned}$$

with a nonlinear function

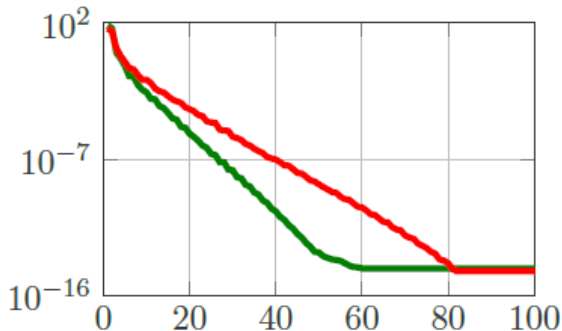
$$f(v(x, t)) = v(v - 0.1)(1 - v),$$

$\epsilon = 0.015$ ,  $h = 0.5$ ,  $\gamma = 2$ ,  $q = 0.05$ ,  $L = 0.2$ ,  
and boundary conditions:

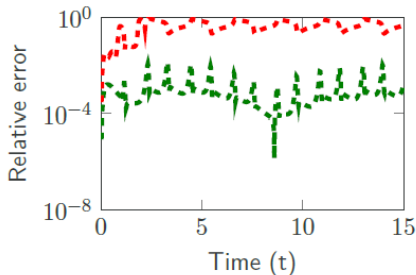
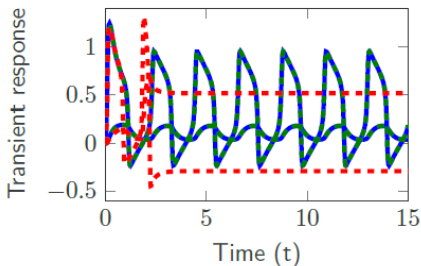
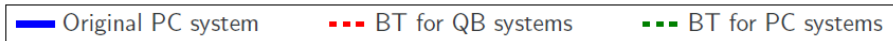
$$v_x(0, t) = i_0(t), \quad v_x(L, t) = 0, \quad t \geq 0,$$

- Spatial discretization leads to PC system with cubic nonlinearity of order  $n_{pc} = 600$ .
- Lifting:  $z := v^2 \Rightarrow f(v, z) = -vz + 1.1z - 0.1v$ ,  $z_t = 2vv_t = \dots \rightsquigarrow$
- lifted quadratic-bilinear (QB) system of order  $n_{qb} = 900$ .
- Outputs of interest  $v(0, t)$ ,  $w(0, t)$  are the responses at the left boundary.
- We compare balanced truncation for PC and QB systems.

— BT for QB systems      — BT for PC systems

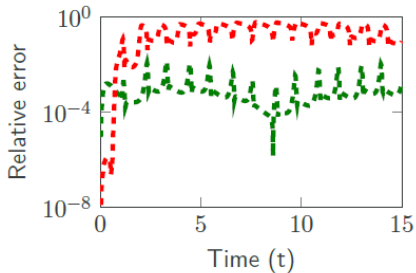
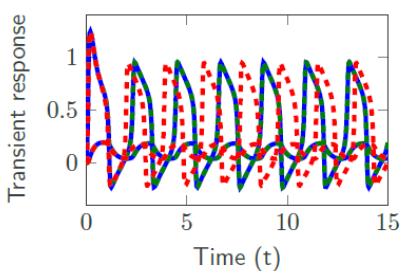


- Decay of singular values for PC systems is faster  $\Rightarrow$  smaller reduced-order model!



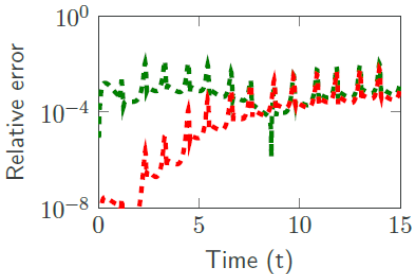
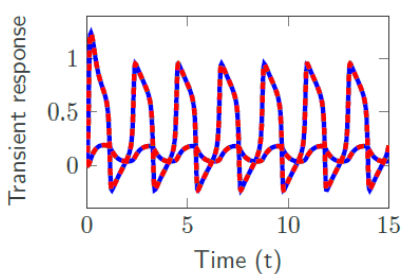
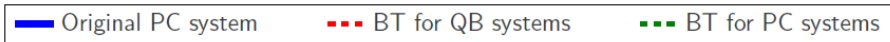
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- Reduced PC system of order 10. Reduced QB system of order 10.

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 - - - BT for QB systems     
 - - - BT for PC systems



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## BT for nonlinear systems:

- BT extended to bilinear, quadratic-bilinear, and polynomial systems.
- Not in this talk: local Lyapunov stability is preserved.
- As of yet, only weak motivation by local bounds of energy functionals.
- No error bounds in terms of "Hankel" singular values.
- Computationally efficient (as compared to nonlinear balancing), and input independent.
- **To do:**
  - improve efficiency of Lyapunov solvers with many right-hand sides further;
  - error bound;
  - conditions for existence of new PC Gramians;
  - extension to descriptor systems.



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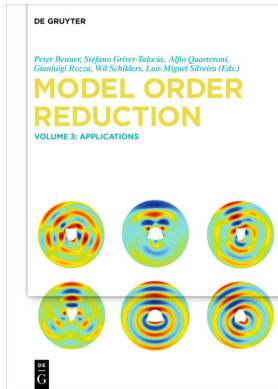
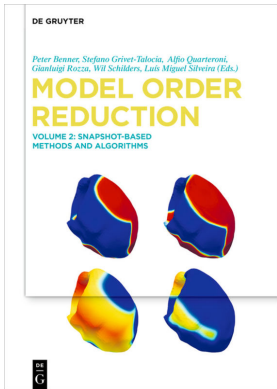
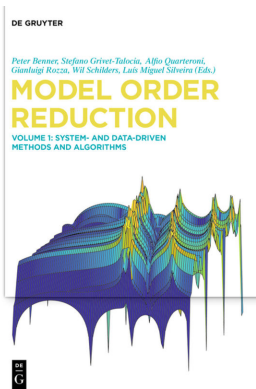
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