

# Relative Error Model Reduction For Distributed Parameter Systems

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## Overview

- Distributed parameter systems
- Relative error model reduction
- Balanced stochastic truncation (BST)
- Computing the Gramians
  - Solving large, sparse Lyapunov equations
  - Solving large, sparse algebraic Riccati equations
- Performance results
- Conclusions

# Distributed Parameter Systems

Given Hilbert spaces

$\mathbb{X}$  – state space,

$\mathbb{U}$  – control space,

$\mathbb{Y}$  – output space,

and operators

$$\mathcal{A} : \operatorname{dom}(\mathcal{A}) \subset \mathbb{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{X},$$

$$\mathcal{B} : \mathbb{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{X},$$

$$\mathcal{C} : \mathbb{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{Y}.$$

Then, a linear distributed parameter system in abstract form is given by

$$\dot{x} = \mathcal{A}x + \mathcal{B}u, \quad x(0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{X},$$

$$y = \mathcal{C}x.$$

## Example

Parabolic PDE in domain  $\Omega \in \mathbb{R}^d$   
(heat equation, convection-diffusion equation)

$$\frac{\partial x}{\partial t} = \sum_{i,j=1}^d \frac{\partial x}{\partial \xi_i} \left( a_{ij}(\xi) \frac{\partial x}{\partial \xi_j} \right) + \sum_{i=1}^d b_i(\xi) \frac{\partial x}{\partial \xi_i} + cx + Bu(t),$$
$$\xi \in \Omega, \quad t > 0$$

with initial and boundary conditions ( $\partial\Omega = \Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2 \cup \Gamma_3$ )

$$\begin{aligned} x(\xi, t) &= B_1 u_1(t), & \xi \in \Gamma_1, \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} x(\xi, t) &= B_2 u_2(t), & \xi \in \Gamma_2, \\ x(\xi, t) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} x(\xi, t) &= B_3 u_3(t), & \xi \in \Gamma_3, \\ x(\xi, 0) &= x_0(\xi), & \xi \in \Omega, \\ y &= Cx, & t \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

- $B = 0 \implies$  boundary control problem
- $B_j = 0 \ \forall j \implies$  point control problem

Weak formulation, use test functions  $v \in \mathbb{V} = \mathbb{H}_0^1(\Omega)$   
 $\implies$  distributed parameter system.

## Discretization

Consider sequence of subspaces  $\mathbb{X}_n \subset \mathbb{X}$  with  $\dim(\mathbb{X}_n) = n < \infty$ , such that  $\forall \varphi \in \mathbb{X}$  there exists  $\varphi_n \in \mathbb{X}_n$  with

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\varphi_n - \varphi\|_{\mathbb{X}} = 0.$$

Define **orthogonal projection**  $\Pi_n : \mathbb{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{X}_n$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \langle A_n \varphi_n, \psi_n \rangle_{\mathbb{X}} &:= - \langle \mathcal{A} \varphi_n, \psi_n \rangle_{\mathbb{X}} \quad \forall \varphi_n, \psi_n \in \mathbb{X}_n, \\ B_n &:= \Pi_n B, \\ C_n &:= C|_{\mathbb{X}_n}, \end{aligned}$$

$\implies$  **finite dimensional linear system**

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_n &= A_n x_n + B_n u_n, & x(0) &= \Pi_n x_0, \\ y_n &= C_n x_n. \end{aligned}$$

## Matrix Representation

Galerkin approach, space discretization by finite element method (FEM)  $\implies$

$$\begin{aligned} M\dot{x} &= -Kx + Bu, & x(0) &= x_0, \\ y &= Cx, \end{aligned}$$

with

- stiffness matrix  $K \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,
- mass matrix  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,
- $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ ,
- $C \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$ ,

where

$$\begin{aligned} A &:= -M^{-1}K, \\ B &:= M^{-1}B. \end{aligned}$$

## Linear Dynamical Systems

Consider continuous time-invariant system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}(t) &= Ax(t) + Bu(t), \quad t > 0, \quad x(0) = x_0, \\ y(t) &= Cx(t) + Du(t),\end{aligned}$$

not necessarily minimal.

Assume

- $n$  state variables, i.e.,  $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $n =$  order of the system;
- $m$  inputs, i.e.,  $u(t) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ;
- $p \leq m$  outputs, i.e.,  $y(t) \in \mathbb{R}^p$ ;
- $n$  large,  $A$  sparse,  $m, p \ll n$ ;
- $A$  stable, i.e.,  $\lambda(A) \subset \mathbb{C}^- \implies$  system is stable;
- $D$  has full (row) rank, i.e.,  $DD^T$  is non-singular.  
( $D = 0 \implies$  set  $D = \gamma \begin{bmatrix} I_p & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .)

Corresponding transfer function is

$$G(s) = C(sI - A)^{-1}B + D.$$

## Relative Error Model Reduction

Want reduced-order model

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\tilde{x}}(t) &= \tilde{A}\tilde{x}(t) + \tilde{B}\tilde{u}(t), & k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \\ \tilde{y}(t) &= \tilde{C}\tilde{x}(t) + \tilde{D}\tilde{u}(t),\end{aligned}$$

of order  $\ell \ll n$  with  $\tilde{u}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $\tilde{y}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^p$  such that

$$\|\Delta_{\text{rel}}\|_{\infty} \text{ is "small",}$$

where the relative error  $\Delta_{\text{rel}}$  is defined by

$$\tilde{G}(s) = G(s)(I + \Delta_{\text{rel}}).$$

If  $G(s)$  is square ( $p = m$ ), then relative error model reduction problem can be formulated as

$$\min_{\text{order}(\tilde{G}) \leq \ell} \|G^{-1}(G - \tilde{G})\|_{\infty},$$

where approximation quality measured by  $H_{\infty}$ -norm

$$\|G\|_{\infty} = \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{\omega \in \mathbb{R}} \sigma_{\max}(G(j\omega)).$$



## Stochastic Realization

[Desai/Pal '84, Green '88]

For system  $G(s) = C(sI - A)^{-1}B + D$  consider  
power spectrum

$$\Phi(s) := G(s)G^T(-s).$$

Square minimum-phase right spectral factor of  $\Phi(s)$ :

$$W(s) = \hat{C}(sI - \hat{A})^{-1}\hat{B} + \hat{D},$$

where minimal state-space realization is given by  
[Anderson '67]

$$\hat{A} = A,$$

$$\hat{B} = BD^T + PC^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p},$$

$$\hat{C} = \hat{D}^{-1}(C - \hat{B}^T Q) \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n},$$

$$\hat{D} = R \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p} \text{ for } R^T R = DD^T.$$

and

$$P = \text{controllability Gramian of } G,$$

$$Q = \text{observability Gramian of } W.$$

**Definition:**

minimum-phase system  $\Leftrightarrow$  transfer function has no  $\overline{\mathbb{C}^+}$ -zeros.

**Definition**

A minimal realization  $(A, B, C, D)$  of a linear system  $G(s)$  is a **balanced stochastic realization (BSR)** iff

$$P = Q = \Sigma = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_n)$$

with

$$\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_n > 0.$$

**Note:**

- for non-minimal system can achieve

$$\begin{aligned} P &= \text{diag}(\Sigma_1, \Sigma_2, 0, 0) \geq 0, \\ Q &= \text{diag}(\Sigma_1, 0, \Sigma_3, 0) \geq 0, \\ \Sigma_1 &= \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_t) > 0 \end{aligned}$$

- $\sigma_j$  are **Hankel singular values** of  $W^T(-s)G(s)$ .

**Theorem**

[Desai/Pal '84]

There exists  $T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  nonsingular such that

$$(A, B, C, D) = (T^{-1}AT, T^{-1}B, CT, D)$$

is a BSR.

## Balanced Stochastic Truncation (BST)

For **state-space transformation** by nonsingular  $T$  let

$$\begin{aligned} T^{-1}AT &= \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix}, & T^{-1}B &= \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{bmatrix}, \\ CT &= \begin{bmatrix} C_1 & C_2 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

### Theorem

[Desai/Pal '84, Green '88/90]

If  $(T^{-1}AT, T^{-1}B, CT, D)$  is a BSR, then

$$(\tilde{A}, \tilde{B}, \tilde{C}, \tilde{D}) := (A_{11}, B_1, C_1, D)$$

is a stable, minimal BSR with properties

- a)  $\tilde{G}(s) = \tilde{C}(sI_\ell - \tilde{A})^{-1}\tilde{B} + \tilde{D}$  satisfies relative error bound

$$\|\Delta_{\text{rel}}\|_\infty \leq \prod_{j=\ell+1}^t \frac{1 + \sigma_j}{1 - \sigma_j} - 1.$$

- b)  $G(s)$  minimum-phase  $\Rightarrow \tilde{G}(s)$  minimum-phase.

(Recall:  $\tilde{G}(s) = G(s)(I + \Delta_{\text{rel}})$ )

## Computation of $T$ via Square-Root Methods

[Laub/Heath/Paige/Ward '87, Tombs/Postlethwaite '87]

$P, Q$  are nonnegative semidefinite  $\implies$   

$$P = S^T S, \quad Q = R^T R.$$

Reduced-order model is computed from SVD

$$SR^T = [U_1 \ U_2] \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \Sigma_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_1^T \\ V_2^T \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\Sigma_1 = \text{diag}(\sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_\ell^2),$$

$$\Sigma_2 = \text{diag}(\sigma_{\ell+1}^2, \dots, \sigma_n^2).$$

Then defining

$$T_l = \Sigma_1^{-1/2} V_1^T R, \quad T_r = S^T U_1 \Sigma_1^{-1/2},$$

the BST reduced-order model is given by

$$\tilde{A} = T_l A T_r, \quad \tilde{B} = T_l B, \quad \tilde{C} = C T_r, \quad \tilde{D} = D.$$

Balancing-free version possible. [Varga '91]

Standard approach:

$S, R = \begin{bmatrix} \bigtriangledown \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  – Cholesky factors of  $P, Q$ .

Alternative:

$S \in \mathbb{R}^{\text{rank}(P) \times n}$   
 $R \in \mathbb{R}^{\text{rank}(Q) \times n}$  – full-rank factors of  $P, Q$ .

Idea here:

Find low-rank approximations to full-rank factors!

## Computing the Gramians

Controllability Gramian  $P$  of

$$G(s) = C(sI - A)^{-1}B + D$$

given by solution of stable, nonnegative Lyapunov equation

$$AP + PA^T + BB^T = 0,$$

Observability Gramian  $Q$  of

$$W(s) = \hat{C}(sI - \hat{A})^{-1}\hat{B} + \hat{D}$$

is stabilizing solution of algebraic Riccati equation (ARE)

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = & C^T(DD^T)^{-1}C + (A - \hat{B}(DD^T)^{-1}C)^T Q + \\ & + Q(A - \hat{B}(DD^T)^{-1}C) + Q\hat{B}(DD^T)^{-1}\hat{B}^T Q. \end{aligned}$$

$\implies$  Need to solve one Lyapunov equation and one ARE!

**Goal:**

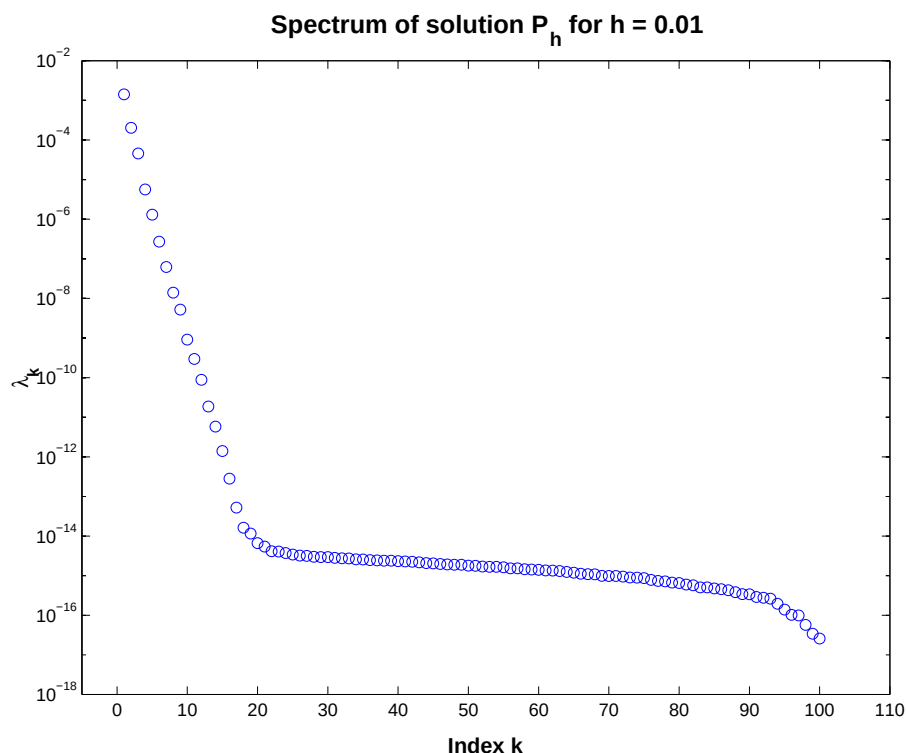
get low-rank approximations to factors of  $P, Q$  directly.

## Low-rank approximation

Consider spectrum of controllability Gramian  $P$ .

### Example:

Linear 1D heat equation on  $[0, 1]$  with point control,  
finite element discretization using linear B-splines,  $n = 100$ .



### Idea:

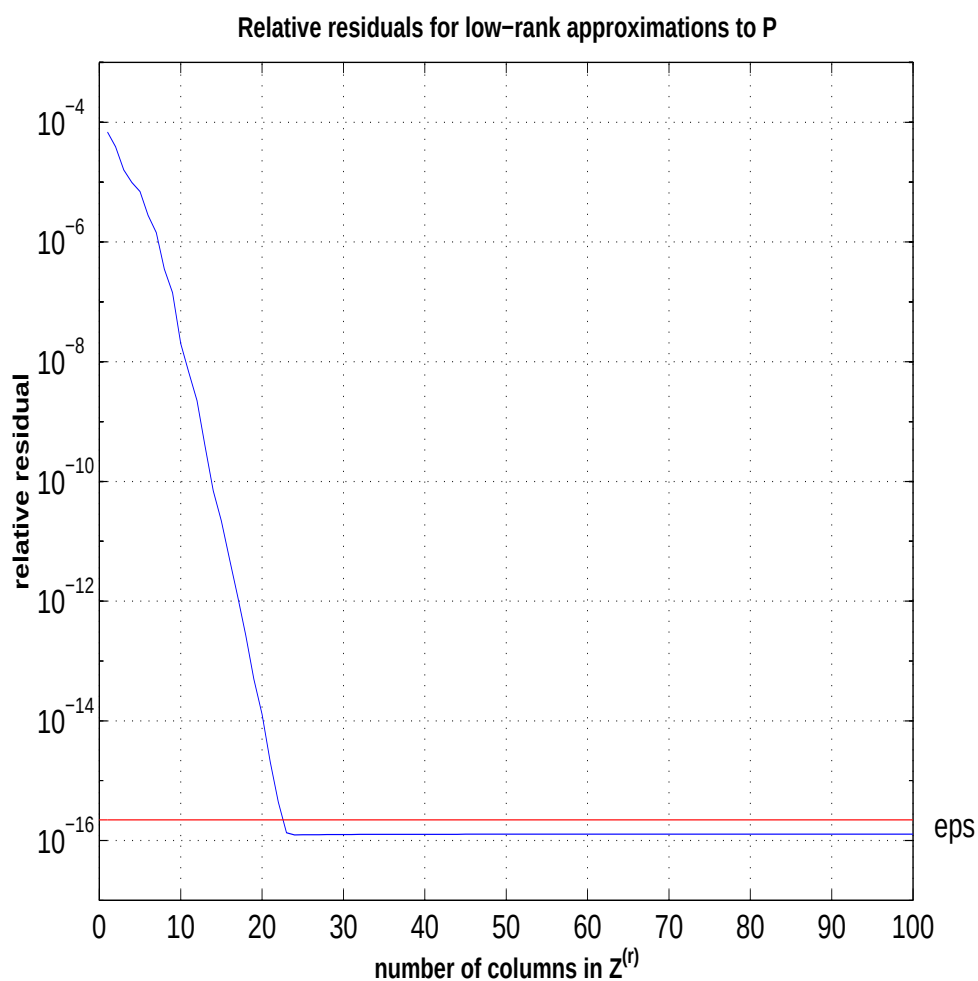
$$P = P^T \geq 0 \quad \Longrightarrow \quad P = ZZ^T = \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k z_k z_k^T$$

$$\lambda_k \approx 0, \quad k > r \quad \Longrightarrow \quad P \approx Z^{(r)} (Z^{(r)})^T = \sum_{k=1}^r \lambda_k z_k z_k^T.$$

## Approximation quality:

Example as before, check relative residuals of Lyapunov equation for

$$P \approx Z^{(r)}(Z^{(r)})^T, \quad r = 1, \dots, 100.$$



## ADI Method for Lyapunov Equations

- For  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  stable ( $\lambda(A) \in \mathbb{C}^-$ ),  $W \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times w}$  ( $w \ll n$ ), consider Lyapunov equation

$$A^T P + P A = -W W^T.$$

- **ADI-Iteration:** [Wachspress '88]

$$\begin{aligned} (A^T + p_j I) P_{(j-1)/2} &= -W W^T - P_{j-1} (A - p_j I) \\ (A^T + \overline{p_j} I) P_j^T &= -W W^T - P_{(j-1)/2} (A - \overline{p_j} I) \end{aligned}$$

with parameters  $p_j \in \mathbb{C}^-$  and  $p_{j+1} = \overline{p_j}$  if  $p_j \notin \mathbb{R}$ .

- For  $P_0 = 0$  and proper choice of  $p_j$ :

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} P_j = P \text{ superlinear.}$$

- Re-formulation using  $P_j = Z_j Z_j^T$  yields iteration for  $Z_j$ , after convergence:

$$Z_{j_{\max}} = \begin{bmatrix} V_1 & \dots & V_{j_{\max}} \end{bmatrix}, \quad V_j = \begin{bmatrix} \phantom{0} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times w}.$$



## Newton's Method for AREs

Consider

$$0 = \mathcal{R}(Q) = C^T C + A^T Q + Q A - Q B B^T Q,$$

with stable  $A$ .

Frechét derivative of  $\mathcal{R}(Q)$  at  $Q$ :

$$\mathcal{R}'_Q : Z \rightarrow (A - B B^T Q)Z + Z(A - B B^T Q)$$

Newton-Kantorovich method :

$$Q_{j+1} = Q_j - \left( \mathcal{R}'_{Q_j} \right)^{-1} \mathcal{R}(Q_j), \quad j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$\implies$  Newton's method for AREs

[Kleinman '68, Mehrmann '91, Lancaster/Rodman '95]

1.  $Q_0 = 0$ .
2. FOR  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ 
  - 2.1  $A_j \leftarrow A - B B^T Q_j =: A - B K_j$ .
  - 2.2 Solve Lyapunov equation
$$A_j^T N_j + N_j A_j = -\mathcal{R}(Q_j).$$
  - 2.3  $Q_{j+1} \leftarrow Q_j + N_j$ .
- END FOR  $j$

## Properties

- **Convergence:**
  - $A_j$  is stable  $\forall j \geq 0$ .
  - $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|\mathcal{R}(Q_j)\|_F = 0$ .
  - $0 \leq Q_\infty \leq \dots \leq Q_{j+1} \leq Q_j \leq \dots \leq Q_1$ .
  - $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} Q_j = Q_\infty \geq 0$ .
  - Quadratic convergence rate.
- **Problem:** need efficient Lyapunov solver!
- **But:**  $Q = Q^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \implies n(n+1)/2$  unknowns!  
In general not feasible for very large problems.

## Factored Newton Iteration

$$A_j^T N_j + N_j A_j = -\mathcal{R}(Q_j)$$



$$A_j^T \underbrace{(Q_j + N_j)}_{=Q_{j+1}} + \underbrace{(Q_j + N_j)}_{=Q_{j+1}} A_j = \underbrace{-C^T C - Q_j B B^T Q_j}_{=:-W_j W_j^T}$$

Let  $Q_j = Y_j Y_j^T$  for  $\text{rank}(Y_j) \ll n$ :

$$A_j^T (Y_{j+1} Y_{j+1}^T) + (Y_{j+1} Y_{j+1}^T) A_j = -W_j W_j^T$$



Need method for solving Lyapunov equations which computes  $Y_{j+1}$  directly and uses structure of  $A_j$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} A_j = A - B K_j &= A - \textcolor{cyan}{B} \cdot (\textcolor{red}{B}^T Y_j) \cdot \textcolor{green}{Y}_j^T, \\ &= \boxed{\text{sparse}} - \boxed{\textcolor{cyan}{m}} \cdot \boxed{\textcolor{red}{\phantom{m}}} \cdot \boxed{\textcolor{green}{\phantom{m}}} \end{aligned}$$

**Solution: use factored ADI iteration!**

$m \ll n \Rightarrow$  use **Sherman-Morrison-Woodbury formula**

$$(A - B K_j)^{-1} = (I_n + A^{-1} B (I_m - K_j A^{-1} B)^{-1} K_j) A^{-1}.$$

## Newton-ADI for ARE

[B./Li/Penzl '00]

Solve Lyapunov equation

$$(A - BK_j)^T Y_{j+1} Y_{j+1}^T + Y_{j+1} Y_{j+1}^T (A - BK_j) = -W_j W_j^T$$

with factored ADI iteration.



Obtain sequence  $Z_0, Z_1, \dots, Z_{k_{\max}}$  of low-rank approximations to solution of Lyapunov equation.



$$Y_{j+1} = Z_{k_{\max}}.$$



Newton's method with factored iterates

$$Q_j = Y_j Y_j^T.$$



Factored solution of ARE

$$Q \approx Y_{j_{\max}} Y_{j_{\max}}^T.$$

## Application to BST

- Approximation of controllability Gramian  $P$  with low-rank ADI for Lyapunov equation.
- For solving ARE with Newton's method, need slight modification: right-hand side of Lyapunov equation **can not** be written as  $-W_j W_j^T$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS} &= -C^T (DD^T)^{-1} C + Q_j \hat{B} (DD^T)^{-1} \hat{B}^T Q_j \\ &=: -\tilde{C} \tilde{C}^T + \tilde{B}_j \tilde{B}_j^T \end{aligned}$$

with  $DD^T > 0$ .

Lyapunov equation is non-singular linear system

$\implies$  write

$$A_j^T Q_{j+1} + Q_{j+1} A_j = -\tilde{C}^T \tilde{C} + \tilde{B}_j^T \tilde{B}_j$$

as

$$\begin{aligned} A_j^T (Q_{j+1} - Q_{j+1}) + (Q_{j+1} - Q_{j+1}) A_j \\ = -W_j W_j^T - (-W_j W_j^T). \end{aligned}$$

$\implies$  Solve two Lyapunov equations per step.

## Problem

need factor of

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{Q} &:= Q_{j_{\max}} - Q_{j_{\max}} \\ &= Z_{j_{\max}} Z_{j_{\max}}^T - Z_{j_{\max}} Z_{j_{\max}}^T \geq 0.\end{aligned}$$

## Solution

[Varga/Fasol '93, Varga '00]

Get full-rank factor from stable, nonnegative Lyapunov equation

$$A^T(R^T R) + (R^T R)A + C^T C = 0$$

where

$$C = \hat{D}^{-T} C - \hat{B} \hat{D}^{-1} \tilde{Q}$$

and

$$D = [\hat{D}^T \ 0]U$$

is an LQ factorization of  $D$ .

## Performance Results

MATLAB implementation using the LYAPACK Toolbox (T. Penzl, 1999).

### Example 1

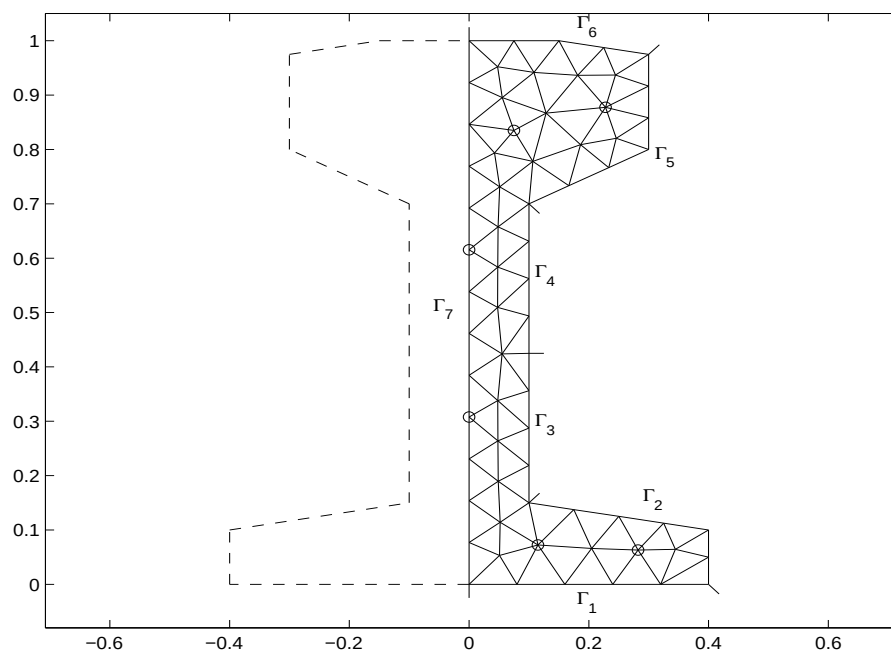
[Tröltzsch/Unger '99, Penzl '99]

- Optimal cooling of steel profiles.
- Model: boundary control for linear 2D heat equation.

$$\begin{aligned}x_t &= \Delta x, & x &\in \Omega \\x + x_\eta &= u_k, & x &\in \Gamma_k, \quad k = 1, \dots, 6, \\x_\eta &= 0, & x &\in \Gamma_7.\end{aligned}$$

$$\implies n = 821, m = p = 6$$

- FEM discretization, initial mesh:



## Example 1, continued

- Discretization leads to system

$$\begin{aligned} M\dot{x} &= -Kx + Bu, & x(0) &= x_0, \\ y &= Cx. \end{aligned}$$

Solution of linear systems of equations:

- Bandwidth reduction in  $M, N$  using reverse Cuthill-McKee algorithm.
- Instead of  $A = -M^{-1}K$  consider

$$A = -M_C^{-1}K M_C^{-T},$$

where  $M_C =$  (sparse) Cholesky factor of  $M$ .

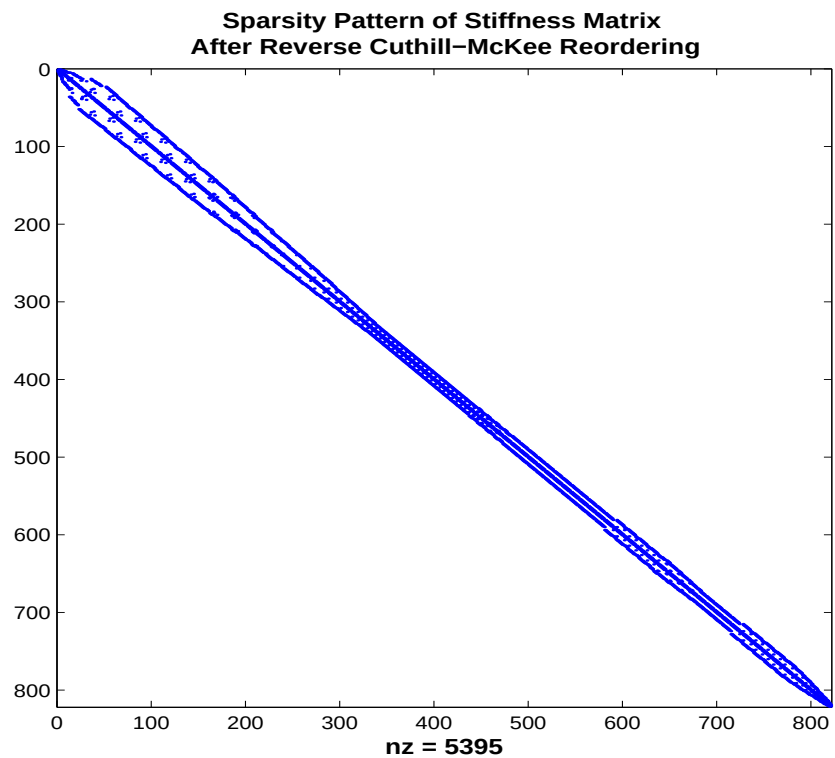
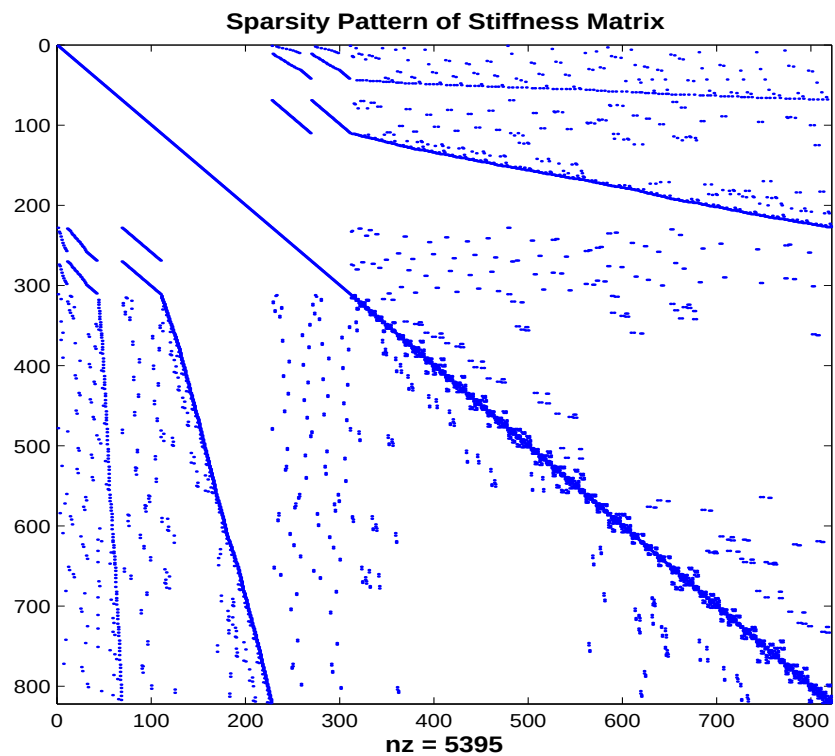
- Cholesky factorization and solution of ‘shifted’ linear systems using sparse direct method.
  - Use ten ADI parameters cyclically.
- Order of reduced-order model:  $\ell = 50$ .

- Error bound:

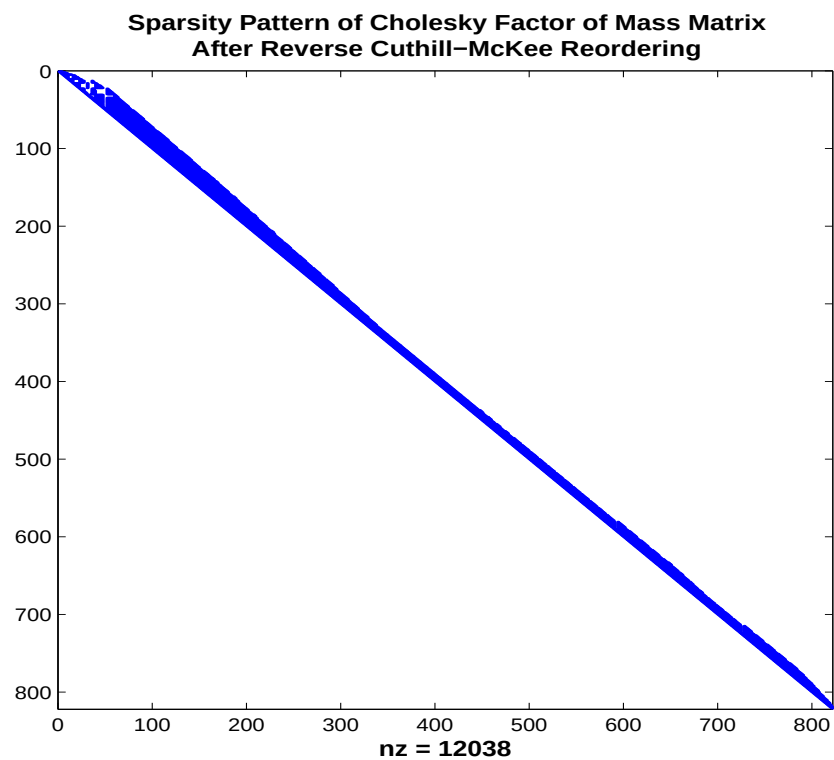
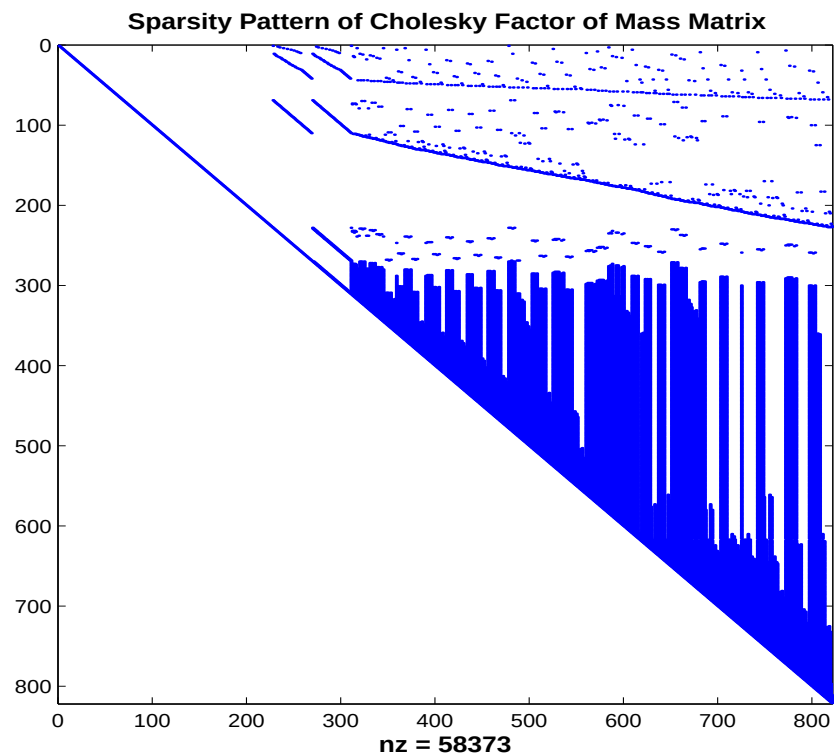
$$\|\Delta_{\text{rel}}\|_{\infty} \leq \prod_{j=\ell+1}^t \frac{1+\sigma_j}{1-\sigma_j} - 1 = 1.75 \cdot 10^{-5}.$$



## Example 1, Stiffness Matrix

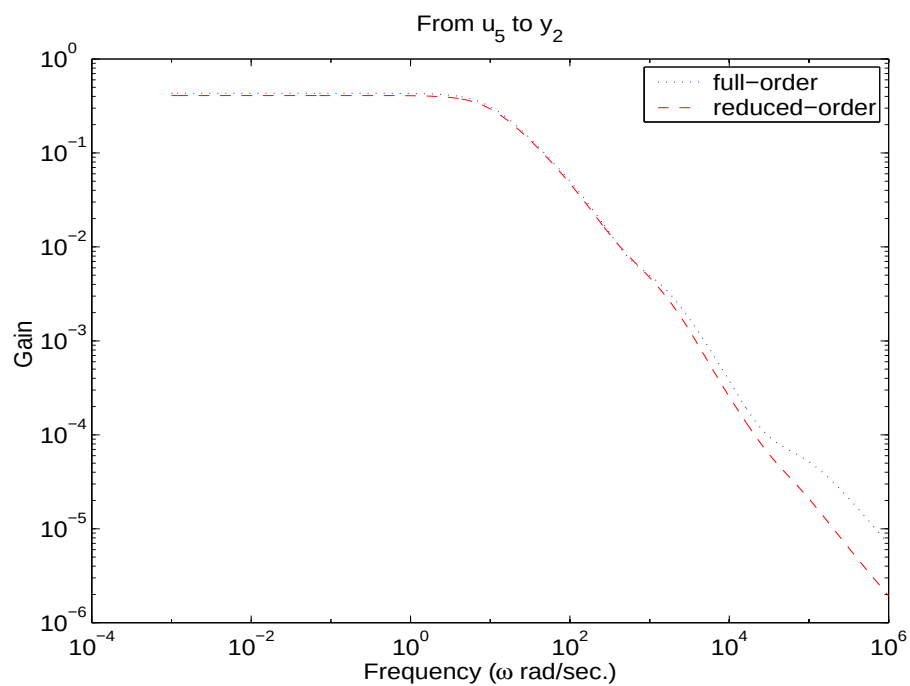
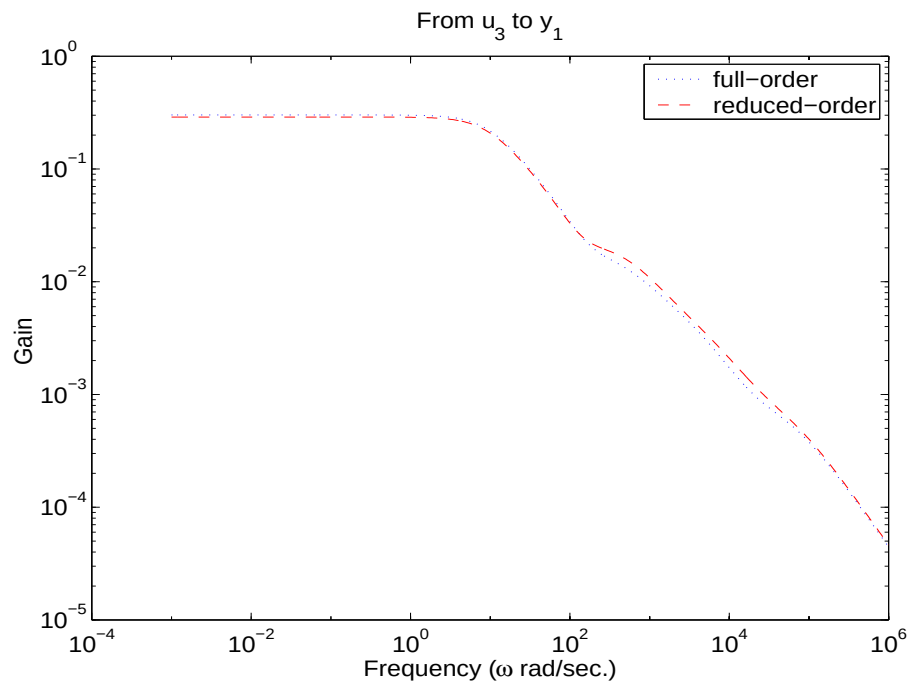


## Example 1, Cholesky Factor of Mass Matrix



## Example 1, Model Reduction Performance

### Frequency Response (Magnitude)



## Conclusions

- Balanced stochastic truncation model reduction methods
  - with low-rank ADI for solving Lyapunov equations,
  - low-rank ADI based Newton's method for solving AREs,
  - and using low-rank factors of Gramiansyield efficient method, applicable to large-scale systems.
- Open problems/in progress:
  - Which accuracy for Lyapunov equations needed?
  - Efficient column compression technique to keep number of columns in ADI iterates low.
  - Acceleration of Newton's method using line search or trust region without residual evaluation possible?