

A Convex Optimization Framework for Generating Finite Difference Schemes for Arbitrary PDEs (Discovered or Derived)

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Research Summary

Fundamental Research

Uncertainty Propagation

Nonlinear & non Gaussian

State Estimation

Sparse & multi-rate sensor fusion

Integrated Design Optimization

Sensing & control architecture

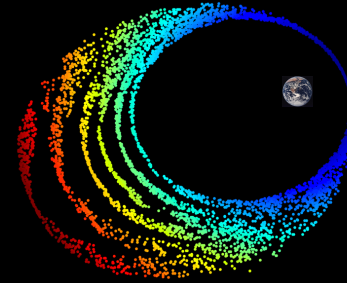
Control with Uncertainty

Nonlinear robust control

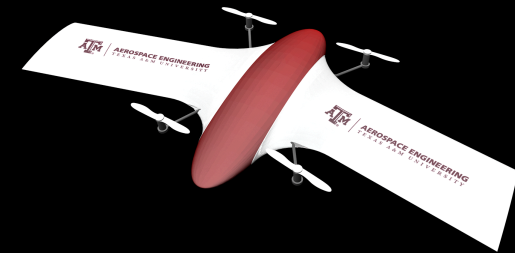
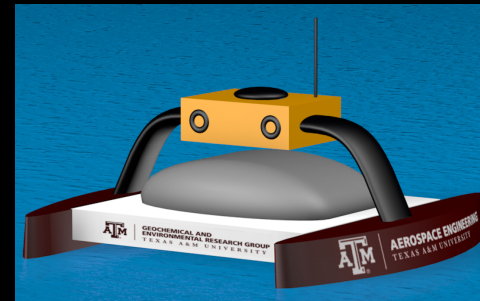
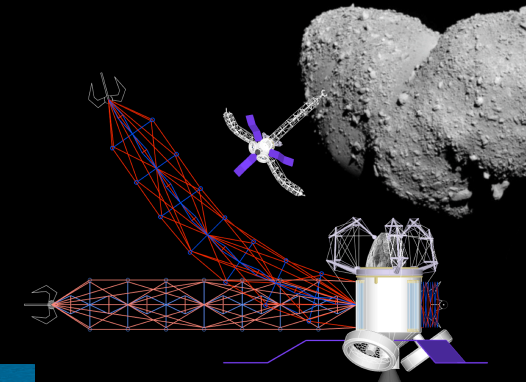
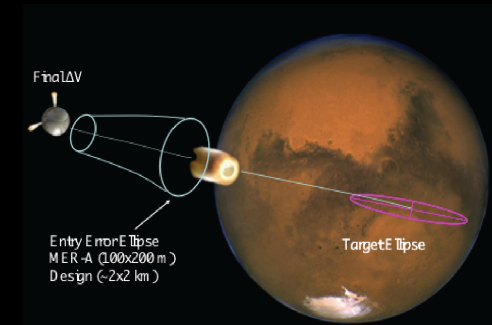
Numerical Algorithms

High performance computing

Uncertainty Quantification & Mitigation



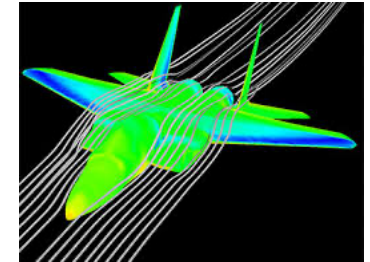
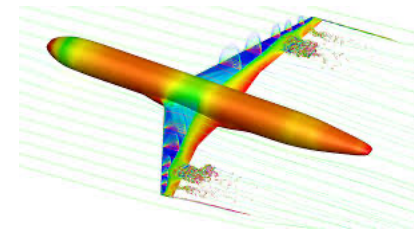
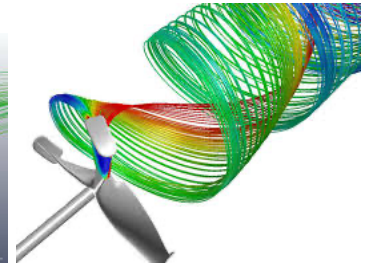
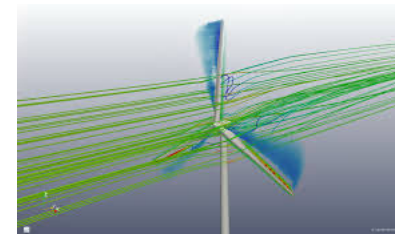
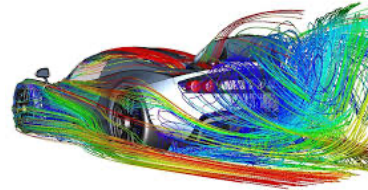
Applications



Scientific Machine Learning

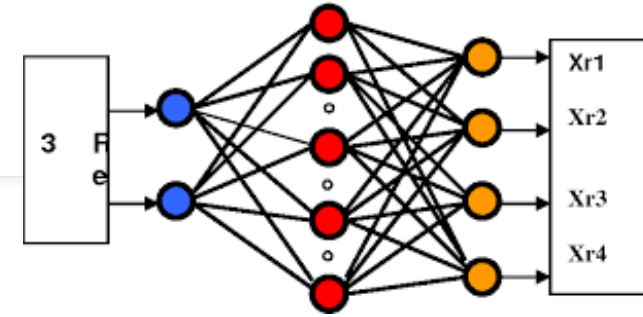
Focus on solving PDEs

- Model based design
 - Speed up
 - Less expensive
- Digital twins
 - Predict failures
 - Refine design
- Uncertainty Propagation
 - Nonlinear estimation



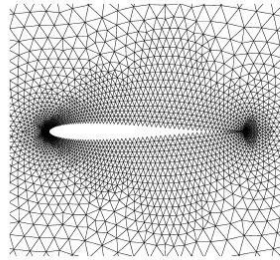
Scientific Machine Learning

Focus on solving PDEs



- **Mesh**

- Finite-difference
- Finite-element/volume

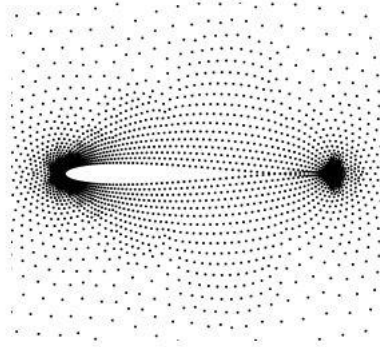


- **Machine learning**

- Address the representation problem
- Automate/learn basis functions (NN)
- Adapt to solution, etc.

- **Meshfree**

- RBF
- Maximum-entropy basis functions



- **This talk**

- Automate generation of finite-difference schemes
- PDE specific FD-scheme
- Optimize for boundary condition, geometry, and PDE.
- Needs pre-specified mesh

Discretization of PDEs

Current Approach

- Choose temporal and spatial discretization (mostly adhoc)
- Discretization is PDE independent!
- Work with dt , dx to get acceptable errors and stability
- Many moving parts!

This talk: Present a Unified Framework!

Automated Discretization of PDEs

A Unified Framework - Convex optimization formulation



General PDE

$$\mathbb{D}_t f = \mathbb{D}_x f$$

Discretize Operator

$$f_i^{(d)} = \frac{1}{(\Delta x)^d} \sum_{m=-\eta}^{\eta} a_m f_{i+m}$$



$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = \sum_{d=1}^D \beta_d \frac{\partial^d f}{\partial^d x}$$

Discrete Time Dynamical System

$$\mathbf{F}^{k+1} = \left(\mathbf{I} + \Delta t \sum_{d=1}^D \frac{\beta_d}{(\Delta x)^d} \mathbf{A}_d \right) \mathbf{F}^k$$



Determine coefficients

by optimizing performance with stability constraints

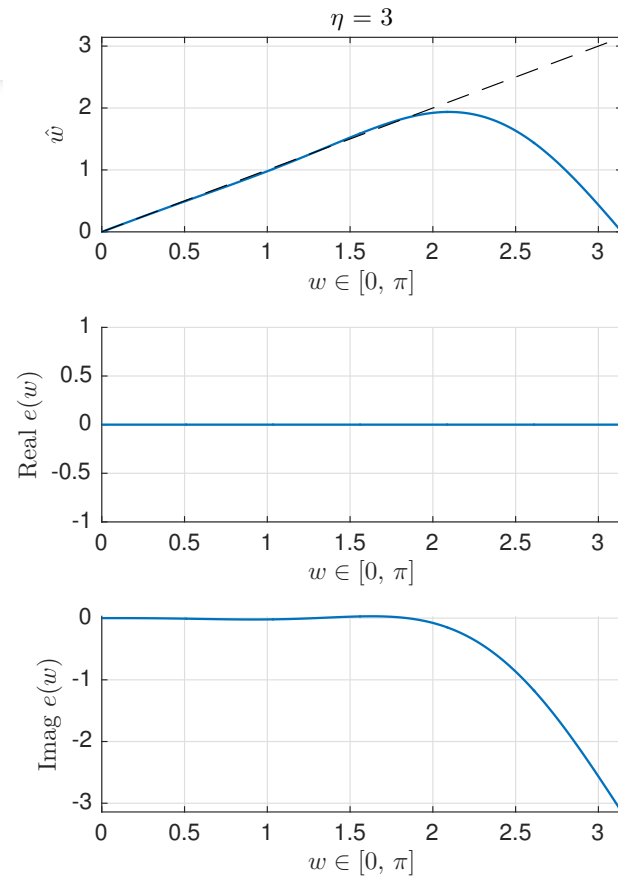
$$\min_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^{2\eta+1}} \|e(w)\|_{\mathcal{L}_2}^2$$

$$\mathbf{A}_d \mathbf{X}_d = \mathbf{Y}_d \quad \text{Order}$$

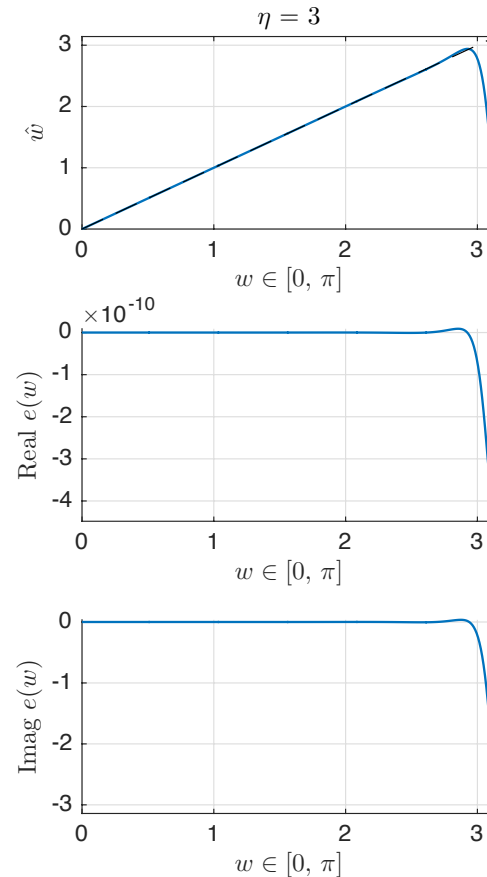
$$\left\| \left(\mathbf{I} + \Delta t \sum_{d=1}^D \frac{\beta_d}{(\Delta x)^d} \mathbf{A}_d \right) \right\|_2 \leq 1 \quad \text{Stability}$$

Automated Discretization of PDEs (contd.)

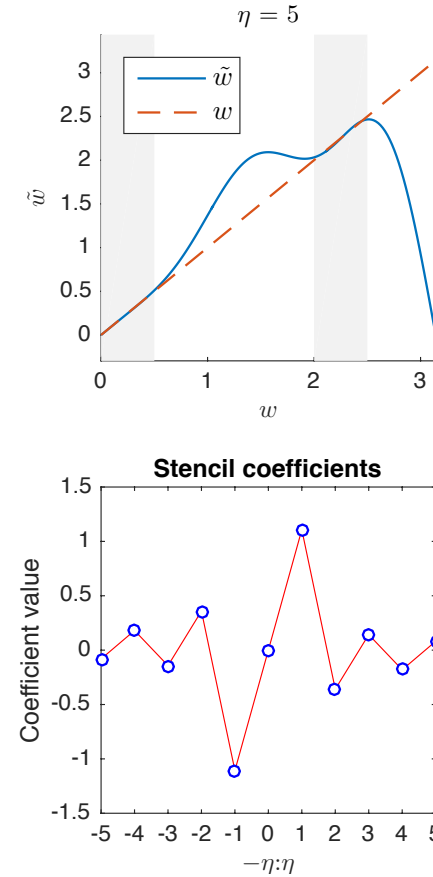
Superior accuracy with low order approximation



a) **Explicit Scheme:** Minimum spectral error with 7 point stencil. First derivative, with second order accuracy.



b) **Implicit Scheme:** Minimum spectral error with 7 point stencil. First derivative, with second order accuracy.



c) **Multi-band Spectral Accuracy:** Explicit scheme with 11 point stencil. First derivative, with second order accuracy.

Summary

- Treat coefficients of finite-difference scheme as unknowns
- Over parameterize
- Solve minimized error (spectral) subject to stability and accuracy constraints
- Coefficients are “Control Variables”
 - Formulation similar to State-Feedback control
- Powerful connection
 - We can formulate finite-difference schemes as a control problem
 - Guarantee transient and steady-state behaviour of numerical method
 - Robustness to uncertainties, quantization error, etc.
 - Nonlinear extensions

1. A unified framework to generate optimized compact finite difference schemes, Authors: [Vedang M. Deshpande](#), [Raktim Bhattacharya](#), [Diego A. Donzis](#)

2. A Unified Approach for Deriving Optimal Finite Differences, Authors: [Komal Kumari](#), [Raktim Bhattacharya](#), [Diego A. Donzis](#)