

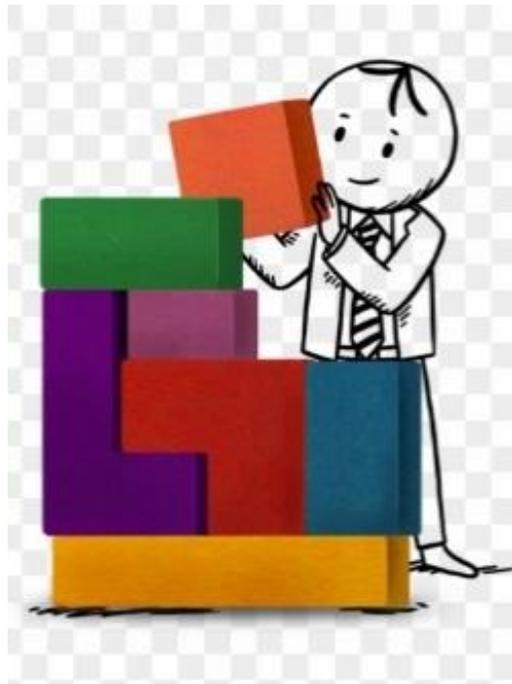


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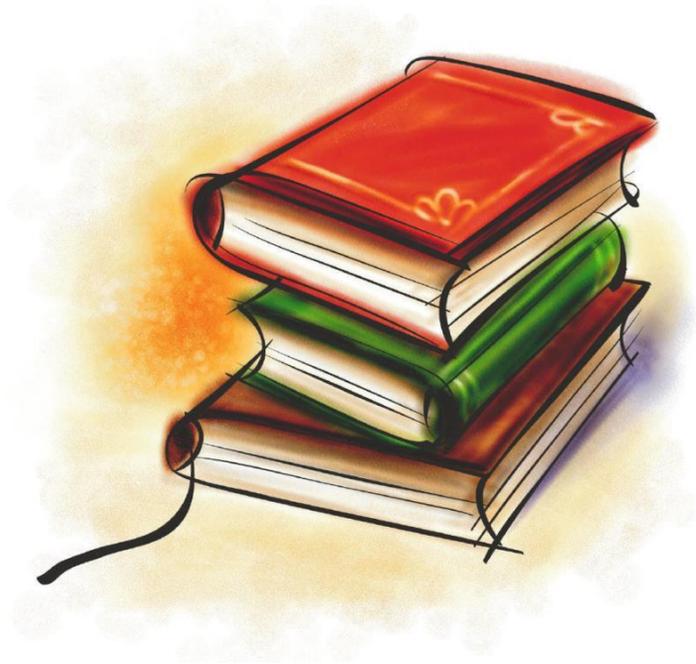
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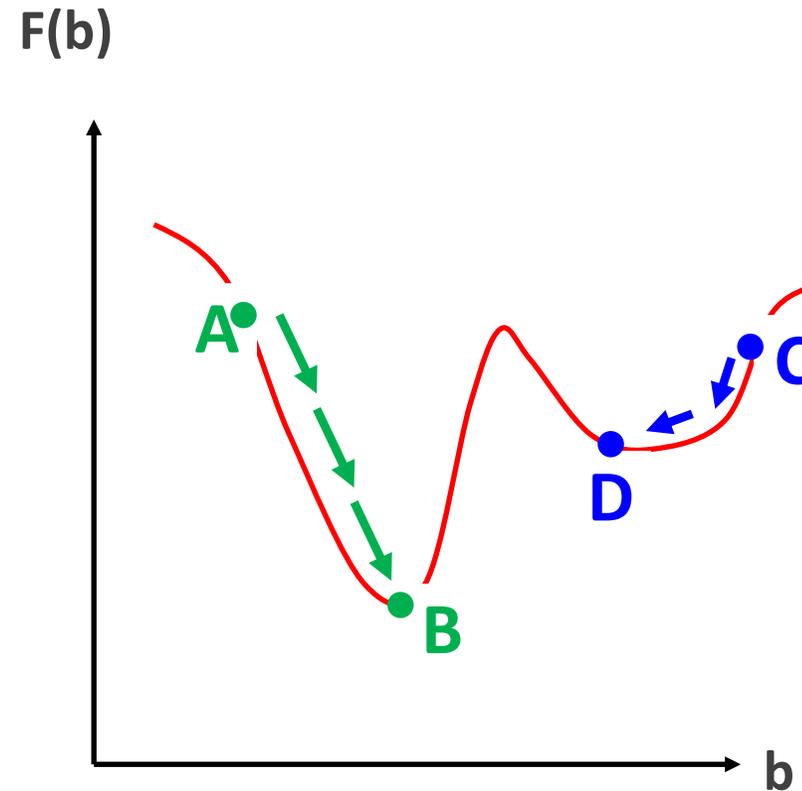
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Introduction



Gradient-Based Optimisation Methods (GBMs)



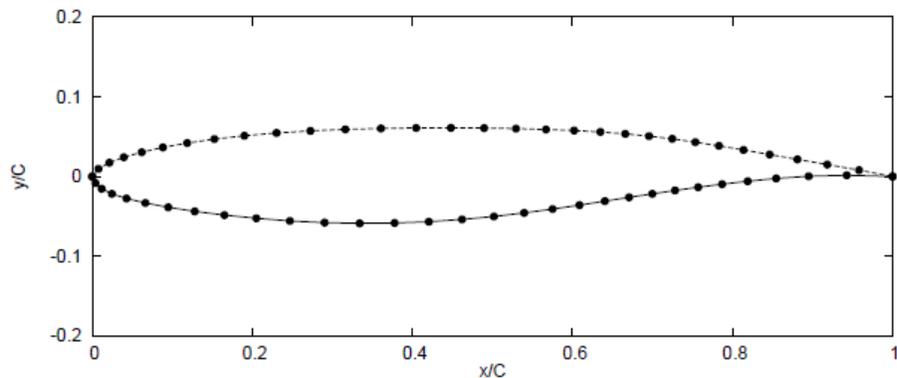
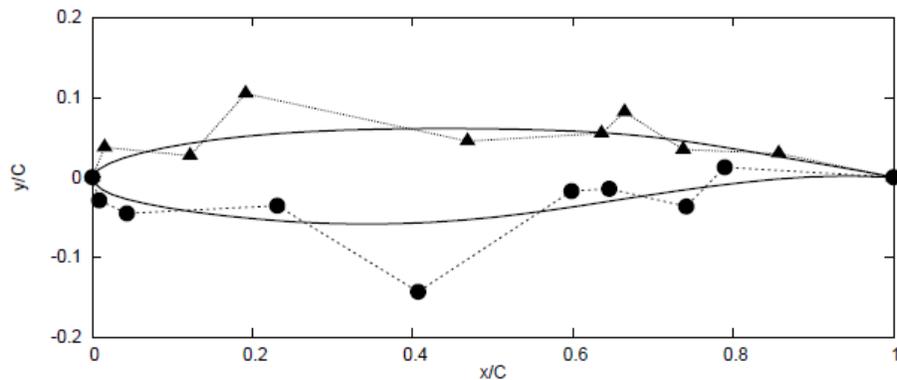
The computation of the gradient of the objective function w.r.t. the design variables is the heart (and the costliest part) of all GBMs!



Gradient-based (GBM) Optimisation – Computing Grad(F)

Aerodynamic Shape Optimisation (ShpO) example

$$\vec{b} = (b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_N)^T \in R^N$$



$$\nabla F = \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial b_1}, \frac{\partial F}{\partial b_2}, \dots, \frac{\partial F}{\partial b_N} \right)$$

$$\nabla F = \left(\frac{\delta F}{\delta b_1}, \frac{\delta F}{\delta b_2}, \dots, \frac{\delta F}{\delta b_N} \right)$$

$$\nabla F = \left(\frac{dF}{db_1}, \frac{dF}{db_2}, \dots, \frac{dF}{db_N} \right)$$

Derivatives: *theta, delta or d?*

- Accuracy of gradients
- Computational Cost
- Method & S/W Development Time



Gradient-based (Deterministic) Optimisation Methods (GBMs)

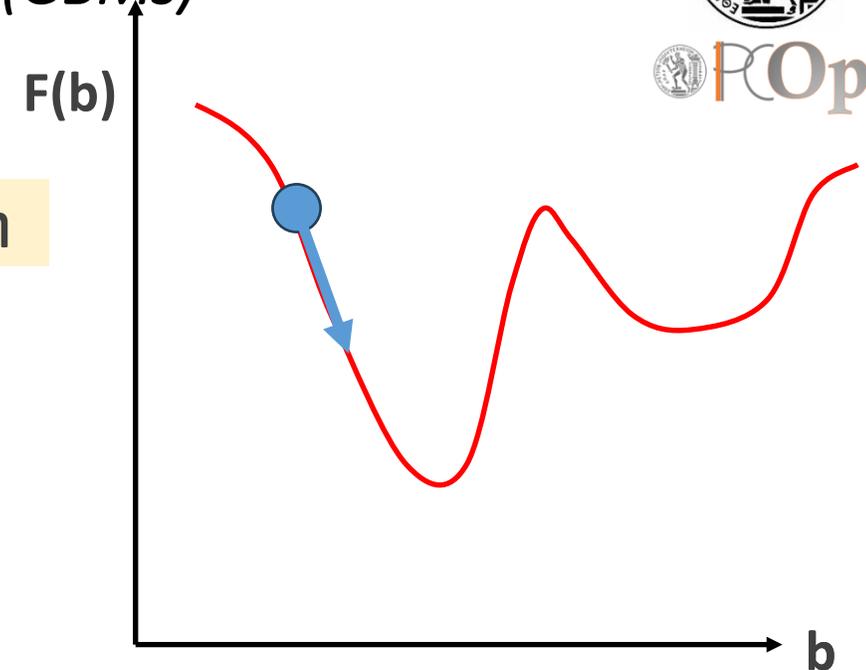
Steepest Descent

$$\vec{b}^{new} = \vec{b}^{old} - \eta \nabla F(\vec{b}^{old})^T \quad \text{about } \eta$$

$$b_n^{new} = b_n^{old} - \eta \frac{\delta F^{old}}{\delta b_n}, \quad n = 1, \dots, N$$

Newton's Methods

$$\vec{b}^{new} = \vec{b}^{old} - \nabla^2 F(\vec{b}^{old})^{-1} \nabla F(\vec{b}^{old})^T$$



- Compute (the exact) or approximate grad(F)? Accuracy vs. Computational cost.
- Computing grad(F) is the most important part of GBMs.
- The computational cost of grad(F) should **not** scale with N (number of design variables).

Computing the exact Hessian! **Quasi-Newton** methods!



Newton's Method

$$F(\vec{x}^n + \vec{p}^n) \approx F(\vec{x}^n) + \vec{p}^{nT} \nabla F(\vec{x}^n) \quad \blacktriangleright \quad \text{Grad } F(\vec{x}^n + \vec{p}^n) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\nabla F(\vec{x}^n) + \nabla^2 F(\vec{x}^n) \vec{p}^n = 0$$

Design variables correction vector: $\vec{x}^{n+1} = \vec{x}^n + \vec{p}^n$

$$\vec{p}^n = - (\nabla^2 F(\vec{x}^n))^{-1} \nabla F(\vec{x}^n) \quad \blacktriangleright \quad \vec{p}^n = - (B^n)^{-1} \nabla F(\vec{x}^n)$$



Quasi Newton (Approximating Grad(F)) (1/2)

For: $\vec{s}^n = \vec{b}^{n+1} - \vec{b}^n$, $\vec{y}^n = \nabla F(\vec{b}^{n+1}) - \nabla F(\vec{b}^n)$

widely used recursive formulas for Hess(F) = B are:

⇒ **SR1** (Symmetric Rank One) Method

$$B^{n+1} = B^n + \frac{(\vec{y}^n - B^n \vec{s}^n) (\vec{y}^n - B^n \vec{s}^n)^T}{(\vec{y}^n - B^n \vec{s}^n)^T \vec{s}^n}$$

⇒ **BFGS** (Broyden-Fletcher-Goldfarb-Shanno) Method

$$B^{n+1} = B^n - \frac{B^n \vec{s}^n \vec{s}^{nT} B^n}{\vec{s}^{nT} B^n \vec{s}^n} + \frac{\vec{y}^n \vec{y}^{nT}}{\vec{y}^{nT} \vec{s}^n}$$

Attention: the recursive formula should retain the symmetry of the Hessian matrix. Initialising matrix B (B^0 ; scaled identity matrix?) might be critical.



Quasi Newton (Approximating $\text{Grad}(F)$) (=2/2)

Or, even better, recursively compute the inverse of matrix B (i.e. matrix H):

$$H^n = (B^n)^{-1}$$

$$H^{n+1} = (I - \rho^n \vec{s}^n \vec{y}^n T) H^n (I - \rho^n \vec{y}^n \vec{s}^n T) + \rho^n \vec{s}^n \vec{s}^n T$$

$$\rho^n = \frac{1}{\vec{y}^n T \vec{s}^n} \quad \vec{p}^n = -H^n \nabla F(\vec{x}^n)$$

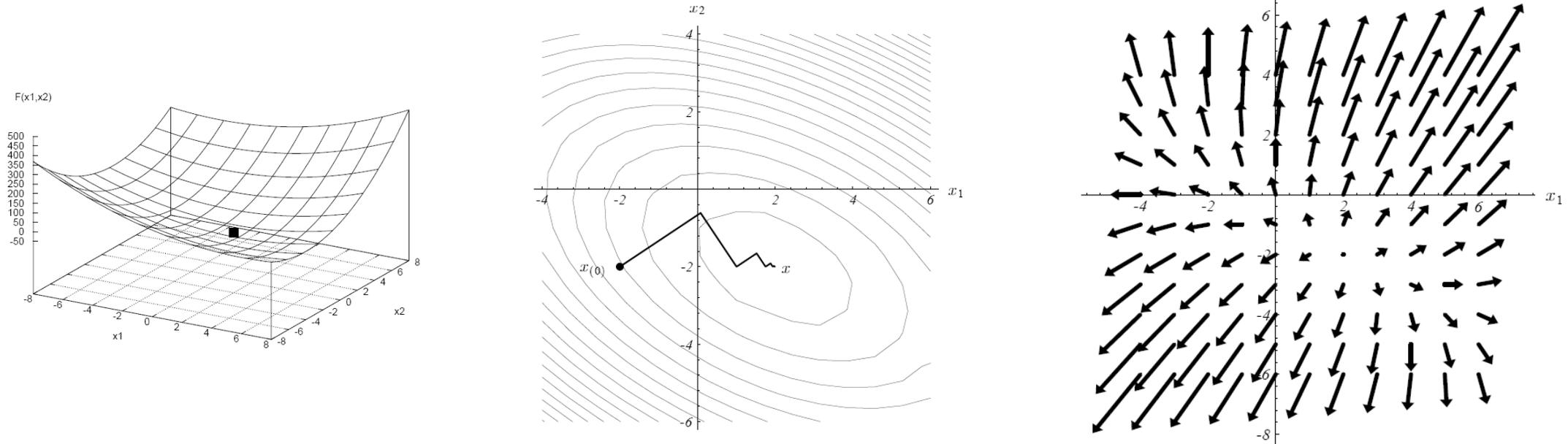


Comments

- ✓ Newton's methods are much faster (in terms of the number of optimisation cycles required to converge) than steepest descent, especially if the starting point is not far from the optimal solution.
- ✓ Requires the Hessian matrix of the objective function F (a $N \times N$ symmetric matrix with all second-order derivatives). **Expensive!**
- ✓ Alternatively, second-order derivatives can be approximated, giving rise to **Quasi-Newton methods**.
- ✓ The approximation is based on a recursive formula for the Hessian matrix or (directly) its inverse, which requires $\text{grad}(F)$. However, in this case, the exact $\text{grad}(F)$ should be available.
- ✓ Close to the optimal solution, the Quasi-Newton method usually becomes quite fast.



Gradient-based Methods (GBMs)



- It is likely to compute a local (rather than the global) optimum.
- Computed solutions heavily depend on the initialisation. Many restarts might help but this increases the cost.
- Expected to be fast, if computing $\text{Grad}(F)$ isn't time-consuming.



Important Note

Working with a **GBM**, the gradients of the **objective** and **constraint functions** must be computed.

In contrast:

Constraint handling in a **GFM** (such as an EA) is merely based on (escalated) penalty functions.

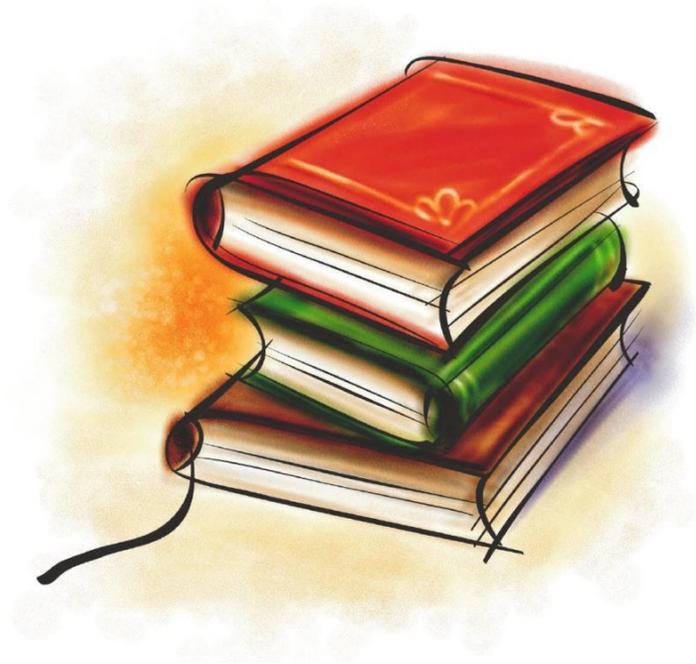


Possible Ways to Compute (the exact) Grad(F)

In a problem governed by PDEs (or linear systems of equations)

- Finite Differences (**FD**)
- Complex Variable (**CV**) Method
- Direct Differentiation (**DD**)
- Automatic or Algorithmic Differentiation (**AD**)
- Adjoint Method (**AM**) or Adjoint Variable Method (**AV**)

The computation of the gradient of the objective and/or constraint functions is the most important and costly part of a GBM. Its cost should be measured in terms of the cost of solving the analysis problem (one time unit, 1 **TU** or 1 **EPS= Equivalent Problem Solution**).



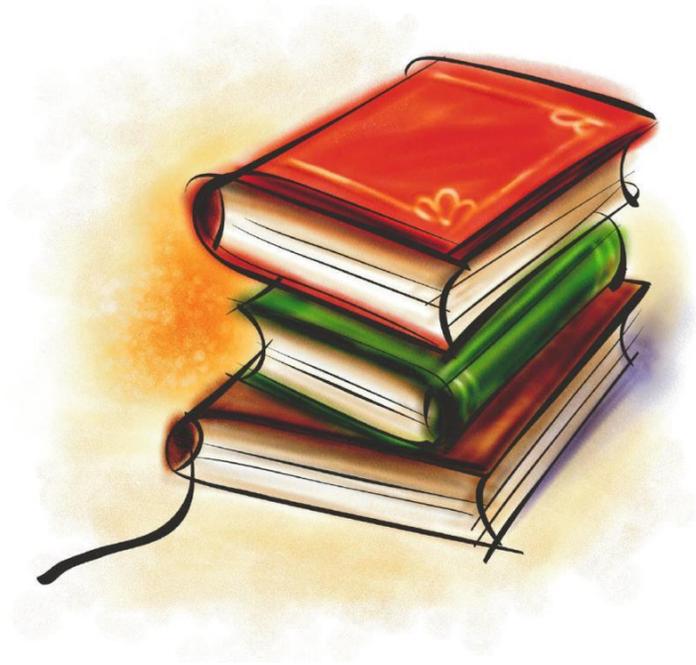
***Grad(F) computation using
Finite Differences (FD)***

Finite Differences (FDs)

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial b_i} = \frac{F(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_i + \epsilon, \dots, b_N) - F(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_i, \dots, b_N)}{\epsilon}$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial b_i} = \frac{F(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_i + \epsilon, \dots, b_N) - F(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_i - \epsilon, \dots, b_N)}{2\epsilon}$$

- The cost for computing $\text{grad}(F)$ w.r.t. b_n ($n=1, \dots, N$) scales with N . Solution of **2N** (for second-order accuracy) or **N** (for first-order accuracy) systems of PDEs for N sensitivity derivatives, in a PDE-governed application! **Expensive!**
- Amenable to parallelisation! Exploit a multi-processor platform to reduce the wall clock time.
- Accuracy and the role of ϵ .
- Although expensive, FDs are often used to compute REFERENCE sensitivities for the assessment of “better” methods, during development phase.



***Grad(F) computation using
the Complex Variable (CV)
Method***



Complex Variable (CV) Method

In the hypothetical case of a single design variable b :

$$F(b + \delta b) = F(b) + \frac{\delta b}{1!} \left. \frac{dF}{db} \right|_b + \frac{\delta b^2}{2!} \left. \frac{d^2F}{db^2} \right|_b + O(\delta b^3)$$

or:

$$F(b + i\delta b) = F(b) + \frac{i\delta b}{1!} \left. \frac{dF}{db} \right|_b + O(\delta b^2)$$

Real part: $real[F(b + i\delta b)] = F(b) + \dots$

Imaginary part: $imag[F(b + i\delta b)] = \delta b \left. \frac{dF}{db} \right|_b + \dots$

In the most general case:

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial b_i} = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{imag[F(b_i + i\epsilon)]}{\epsilon}$$

- Investment/software programming needed!
- **N** evaluations per gradient computation.
- Parallelisation!
- Accuracy and the role of ϵ .

Complex Variable (CV) Method

Demonstration in a simple example:

$$F(b_1, b_2) = b_1^2 + 3b_2^4 - 4b_1b_2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{cases} \frac{\partial F}{\partial b_1} = 2b_1 - 4b_2 \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial b_2} = 12b_2^3 - 4b_1 \end{cases}$$

$$(b_1, b_2) = (1, 2) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{cases} \frac{\partial F}{\partial b_1}(1, 2) = -6 \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial b_2}(1, 2) = 92 \end{cases}$$



Complex Variable (CV) Method - Coding

```

program demo_complex_variables
implicit double precision (a-h,o-z)
double complex F,x,y
F(x,y) = x**2 + 3.d0*y**4 -4.d0*x*y
epsilon = 1.d-30
b1 = 1.d0
b2 = 2.d0
x=b1*(1.d0,0.d0)+epsilon*(0.d0,1.d0)
y=b2*(1.d0,0.d0)
dFdb1 = imag(F(x,y))/epsilon
x=b1*(1.d0,0.d0)
y=b2*(1.d0,0.d0)+epsilon*(0.d0,1.d0)
dFdb2 = imag(F(x,y))/epsilon
write(*,*)' Computed   dF/db1 = ',dFdb1
write(*,*)' Computed   dF/db2 = ',dFdb2
end

```

```

#include <iostream>
#include <complex>
std::complex<double> F(std::complex<double> x,
                      std::complex<double> y){
    return pow(x,2)+3.0*pow(y,4)-4.0*x*y;
}
int main()
{
    const double epsilon = 1.e-30;
    const double b1 = 1.0;
    const double b2 = 2.0;
    std::complex<double> x(b1, epsilon);
    std::complex<double> y(b2, 0.0);
    double dFdb1 = imag(F(x,y))/epsilon;
    x = std::complex<double> (b1, 0.0);
    y = std::complex<double> (b2, epsilon);
    double dFdb2 = imag(F(x,y))/epsilon;
    std::cout<<"Computed dF/db1 ="<<dFdb1<<std::endl;
    std::cout<<"Computed dF/db2 ="<<dFdb2<<std::endl;
    return 0;
}

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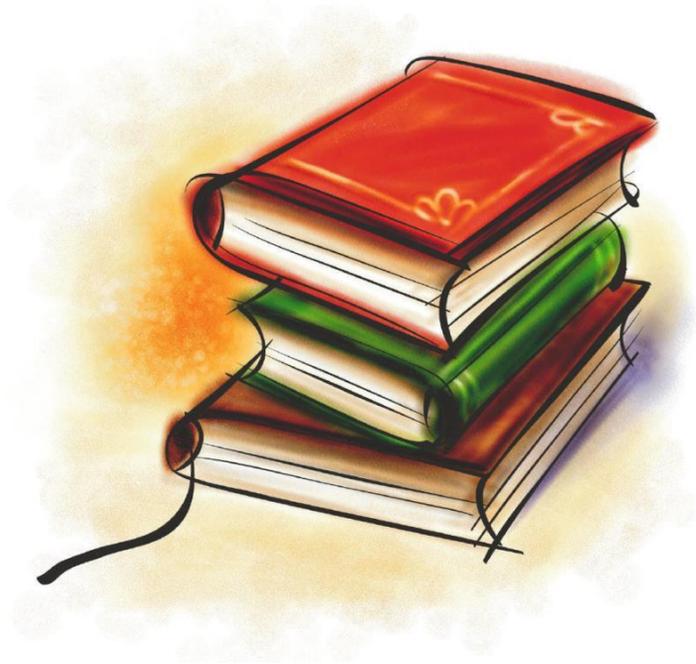
Complex Variable (CV) Method – On the Accuracy of the Computed Gradient

CV

ϵ	$\partial F/\partial b_1$	$\partial F/\partial b_2$
10^{-30}	-6.0000000000000000	92.0000000000000000
10^{-20}	-6.0000000000000000	92.0000000000000000
10^{-15}	-6.0000000000000000	91.9999999999999986
10^{-10}	-6.0000000000000000	92.0000000000000000
10^{-5}	-6.0000000000000000	91.9999999976000000

FD

ϵ	$\partial F/\partial b_1$	$\partial F/\partial b_2$
10^{-30}	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000
10^{-20}	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000
10^{-15}	-7.105427357601001	92.370555648813010
10^{-10}	-5.999964969305438	92.000007612114132
10^{-5}	-6.000000000128124	92.000000003267232



***Grad(F) computation using
Automatic Differentiation
(AD)***

Algorithmic or Automatic Differentiation (AD)

AD computes the derivative of a code/function by transforming the underlying code that computes the (numerical values of the) function.



Two modes:

- **Tangent** or **forward** \rightarrow equivalent to Direct Differentiation, **DD**
- **Reverse** \rightarrow equivalent to the Adjoint Method, **AV**.

- Cost?
- Memory Footprint?

AD - Modes

Possible Implementations of AD:

Forward AD

or

Reverse AD

$$\dot{F}(b, \dot{b}) = \frac{dF}{db}(b)\dot{b}$$

Hybrid AD

$$\bar{b}_i = \bar{F}(b_i, \bar{b}_j) = \frac{dF^T}{db_i}(b_i)\bar{b}_j$$

\dot{b} Tangent direction of input b
 \dot{F} Tangent of F (generated by the forward AD)

\bar{b}_i Adjoint of input b_i
 \bar{b}_j Adjoint of output b_j
 \bar{F} Adjoint of F (generated by the reverse AD)



AD – Introduction of Intermediate Variables

The evaluation of F is represented by a sequence of elementary (unary or binary) functions, by introducing the necessary intermediate variables (indices: $N+1, \dots, m$).

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{intermediate} \\
 \text{variables} \\
 \left\{ \begin{array}{l}
 b_{N+1} = f_{N+1}(b_1, \dots, b_N) \\
 b_{N+2} = f_{N+2}(b_1, \dots, b_{N+1}) \\
 \vdots \\
 b_m = f_m(b_1, \dots, b_{m-1}) \\
 \textcircled{F = b_m}
 \end{array} \right.
 \end{array}$$

independent
variables



Forward AD

$$b_{N+1} = f_{N+1}(b_1, \dots, b_N)$$

$$\nabla b_{N+1} = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\partial f_{N+1}}{\partial b_i} \vec{e}_i$$

$$b_{N+2} = f_{N+2}(b_1, \dots, b_{N+1})$$

$$\nabla b_{N+2} = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\partial f_{N+2}}{\partial b_i} \vec{e}_i + \frac{\partial f_{N+2}}{\partial b_{N+1}} \nabla b_{N+1}$$

⋮

$$b_m = f_m(b_1, \dots, b_{m-1})$$

$$\nabla b_m = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial b_i} \vec{e}_i + \sum_{i=N+1}^{m-1} \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial b_i} \nabla b_i$$

$$F \equiv b_m$$

$$\nabla F \equiv \nabla b_m$$

Apply the chain rule of differentiation of composite functions, by associating its statement with an extra statement computing its derivatives.

Forward AD represents how an infinitesimally small change in the input/independent variables propagates and, finally, affect the output.

At the expense of memory!!!



Forward AD - Example

$$F = b_1 b_2 b_3 b_4$$

$$\mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

Intermediate variables:

$$b_5 = f_5(b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4) = b_1$$

$$b_6 = f_6(b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4, b_5) = b_2 b_5$$

$$b_7 = f_7(b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4, b_5, b_6) = b_3 b_6$$

$$b_8 = f_8(b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4, b_5, b_6, b_7) = b_4 b_7$$

$$F = b_8$$

$$b_5 = b_1$$

$$\nabla b_5 = \vec{e}_1$$

$$b_6 = b_2 b_5$$

$$\nabla b_6 = b_5 \vec{e}_2 + b_2 \nabla b_5$$

$$b_7 = b_3 b_6$$

$$\nabla b_7 = b_6 \vec{e}_3 + b_3 \nabla b_6$$

$$b_8 = b_4 b_7$$

$$\nabla b_8 = b_7 \vec{e}_4 + b_4 \nabla b_7$$

$$F = b_8$$

$$\nabla F = \nabla b_8$$



Reverse AD (1/2)

Compute the sensitivity of the output to changes in the input/independent variables.

Define: $\bar{b}_i = \frac{\partial b_m}{\partial b_i} \quad (i = N + 1, \dots, m)$ with $\bar{b}_m \equiv 1$

Compute:

$$\bar{b}_i = \sum_{j=i+1}^m \frac{\partial b_m}{\partial b_j} \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial b_i} = \sum_{j=i+1}^m \bar{b}_j \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial b_i}, \quad \underbrace{i = N + 1, \dots, m - 1}_{\text{Intermediate variables}}$$

$$\bar{b}_i = \sum_{j=N+1}^m \frac{\partial b_m}{\partial b_j} \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial b_i} = \sum_{j=N+1}^m \bar{b}_j \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial b_i}, \quad \underbrace{i = 1, \dots, N}_{\text{Independent variables}}$$



Reverse AD (2/2)

Forward loop:

$$b_i = f_i(b_1, \dots, b_{i-1}), \quad i = N+1, \dots, m$$

$$\bar{b}_i = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m-1$$

$$\bar{b}_m = 1$$

Backward (reverse) loop:

do $j = m, N + 1, -1$

do $i = 1, j - 1$

$$\bar{b}_i = \bar{b}_i + \bar{b}_j \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial b_i}$$

enddo

enddo



Reverse AD – Example (1/3)

$$F = b_1 b_2 b_3$$

$$\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{b}_6 &= \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_6} \equiv 1 \\ \bar{b}_5 &= \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_6} \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_5} = \bar{b}_6 \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_5} \\ \bar{b}_4 &= \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_6} \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_4} + \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_5} \frac{\partial f_5}{\partial b_4} = \bar{b}_6 \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_4} + \bar{b}_5 \frac{\partial f_5}{\partial b_4} \\ \bar{b}_3 &= \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_6} \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_3} + \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_5} \frac{\partial f_5}{\partial b_3} + \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_4} \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial b_3} = \bar{b}_6 \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_3} + \bar{b}_5 \frac{\partial f_5}{\partial b_3} + \bar{b}_4 \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial b_3} \\ \bar{b}_2 &= \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_6} \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_2} + \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_5} \frac{\partial f_5}{\partial b_2} + \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_4} \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial b_2} = \bar{b}_6 \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_2} + \bar{b}_5 \frac{\partial f_5}{\partial b_2} + \bar{b}_4 \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial b_2} \\ \bar{b}_1 &= \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_6} \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_1} + \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_5} \frac{\partial f_5}{\partial b_1} + \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_4} \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial b_1} = \bar{b}_6 \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_1} + \bar{b}_5 \frac{\partial f_5}{\partial b_1} + \bar{b}_4 \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial b_1} \end{aligned}$$

Intermediate variables

$$b_4 = f_4 (b_1, b_2, b_3) = b_1$$

$$b_5 = f_5 (b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4) = b_2 b_4$$

$$b_6 = f_6 (b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4, b_5) = b_3 b_5$$

$$F = b_6$$

$$\frac{\partial f_3}{\partial b_1} = \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial b_2} = \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial b_1}$$



Reverse AD – Example (2/3)

$$\mathbf{1} \quad \bar{b}_6 \equiv 1, \quad \bar{b}_5 = 0, \quad \bar{b}_4 = 0, \quad \bar{b}_3 = 0, \quad \bar{b}_2 = 0, \quad \bar{b}_1 = 0$$

$$\mathbf{2} \quad \boxed{f_6 = b_3 b_5} \quad \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_5} = b_3, \quad \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_4} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_3} = b_5, \quad \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_2} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial b_1} = 0$$

$$\Sigma: \quad \bar{b}_5 = b_3, \quad \bar{b}_4 = 0, \quad \bar{b}_3 = b_5, \quad \bar{b}_2 = 0, \quad \bar{b}_1 = 0$$

$$\mathbf{3} \quad \boxed{f_5 = b_2 b_4} \quad \frac{\partial f_5}{\partial b_4} = b_2, \quad \frac{\partial f_5}{\partial b_3} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial f_5}{\partial b_2} = b_4, \quad \frac{\partial f_5}{\partial b_1} = 0$$

$$\Sigma: \quad \bar{b}_4 = b_2 b_3, \quad \bar{b}_3 = b_5, \quad \bar{b}_2 = b_3 b_4, \quad \bar{b}_1 = 0$$

$$\mathbf{4} \quad \boxed{f_4 = b_1} \quad \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial b_3} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial b_2} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial b_1} = 1$$

$$\Sigma: \quad \bar{b}_3 = b_5, \quad \bar{b}_2 = b_3 b_4, \quad \bar{b}_1 = b_2 b_3$$

Reverse AD – Example (3/3)

Final (forward) summation:

$$b_4 = b_1$$

$$\nabla b_4 = \vec{e}_1$$

$$b_5 = b_2 b_4$$

$$\nabla b_5 = b_4 \vec{e}_2 + b_2 \nabla b_4 = b_4 \vec{e}_2 + b_2 \vec{e}_1$$

$$b_6 = b_3 b_5$$

$$\nabla b_6 = b_5 \vec{e}_3 + b_3 \nabla b_5 = b_5 \vec{e}_3 + b_3 b_4 \vec{e}_2 + b_3 b_2 \vec{e}_1$$

AD Software

ADIFOR (Automatic Differentiation of Fortran)

AMC (Tangent linear and Adjoint Model Compiler)

TAF (Transformation of Algorithms in Fortran)

DAFOR (Differential Algebraic Extension of Fortran)

GRESS (Gradient--Enhanced Software System)

Odyssee

TAPENADE

AD01

ADOL-F (Automatic Differentiation of FORTRAN Codes)

IMAS (Integrated Modeling and Analysis System)

OPTIMA90

ADIC (Automatic Differentiation of C Programs)

ADOL-C (Automatic Differentiation of Algorithms written in C/C++)

etc.....



AD using TAPENADE (Forward Mode)

```
void ff_d(double x1, double x1d, double x2, double x2d, double x3, double x3d, double *f1,
double *f1d, double *f2, double *f2d) //function produced by TAPENADE - forward
```

(tangent) mode

```
{
/*
Differentiation of ff in forward (tangent) mode:
variations of useful results: *f1 *f2
with respect to varying inputs: x1 x2 x3
RW status of diff variables: f1:(loc) *f1:out f2:(loc) *f2:out
x1:in x2:in x3:in
Plus diff mem management of: f1:in f2:in
*/
```

```
*f1d = x1d + x2d + x3d;
```

```
*f1 = x1 + x2 + x3;
```

```
*f2d = x3*(x2*x1d+x1*x2d) + x1*x2*x3d;
```

```
*f2 = x1*x2*x3;
```

```
}
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
void ff(double x1, double x2, double x3, double* f1,
double* f2) //functions to be differentiated
```

```
{
```

```
*f1 = x1 + x2 + x3; //1st function
```

```
*f2 = x1 * x2 * x3; //2nd function
```

```
}
```

The **ff_d** function must be called as many times as there are design variables (x_1, x_2, x_3), with $(x_1d, x_2d, x_3d) = (1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0)$ and $(0, 0, 1)$.

Each call computes the derivatives of all objectives (both f_1 & f_2) w.r.t. the design variable for which x_{kd} equals 1.



AD using TAPENADE (Reverse Mode)

```
void ff_b(double x1, double *x1b, double x2, double *x2b, double x3, double *x3b, double
*f1, double *f1b, double *f2, double *f2b) //function produced by TAPENADE - reverse
(adjoint) mode
```

```
{
/*
```

Differentiation of ff in **reverse** (adjoint) mode:

gradient of useful results: *f1 *f2

with respect to varying inputs: *f1 *f2 x1 x2 x3

RW status of diff variables: f1:(loc) *f1:in-out f2:(loc) *f2:in-out
x1:out x2:out x3:out

Plus diff mem management of: f1:in f2:in

```
*/
```

```
*x1b = x2*x3*( *f2b) + *f1b;
```

```
*x2b = x1*x3*( *f2b) + *f1b;
```

```
*x3b = x1*x2*( *f2b) + *f1b;
```

```
*f2b = 0.0;
```

```
*f1b = 0.0;
```

```
}
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
void ff(double x1, double x2, double x3, double* f1,
double* f2) //functions to be differentiated
```

```
{
```

```
*f1 = x1 + x2 + x3; //1st function
```

```
*f2 = x1 * x2 * x3; //2nd function
```

```
}
```

The **ff_b** function will be called as many times as there are objective functions (f1, f2), with (f1b,f2b)=(1,0),(0,1). Each call computes the derivatives of **fk** for which **k** equals 1 w.r.t. all design variables (x1,x2,x3)

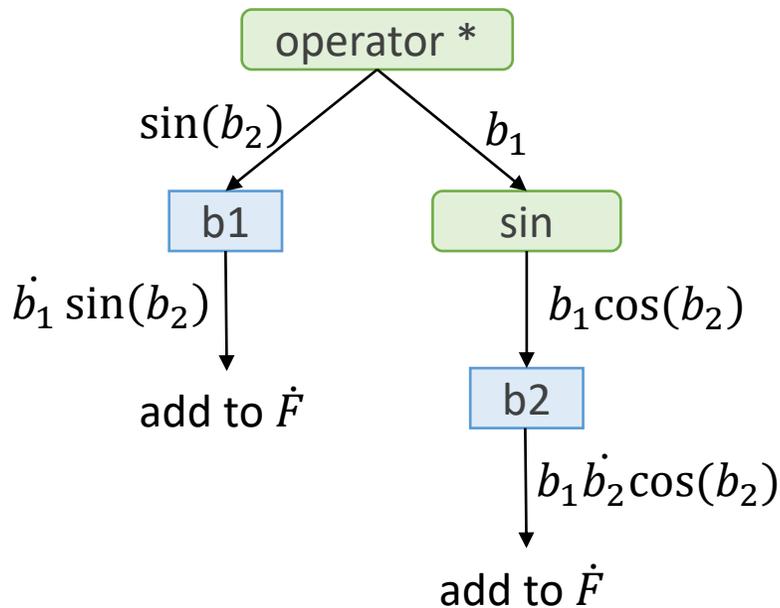


AD – An Example

$$F(b_1, b_2) = b_1 \sin(b_2)$$

Forward AD:

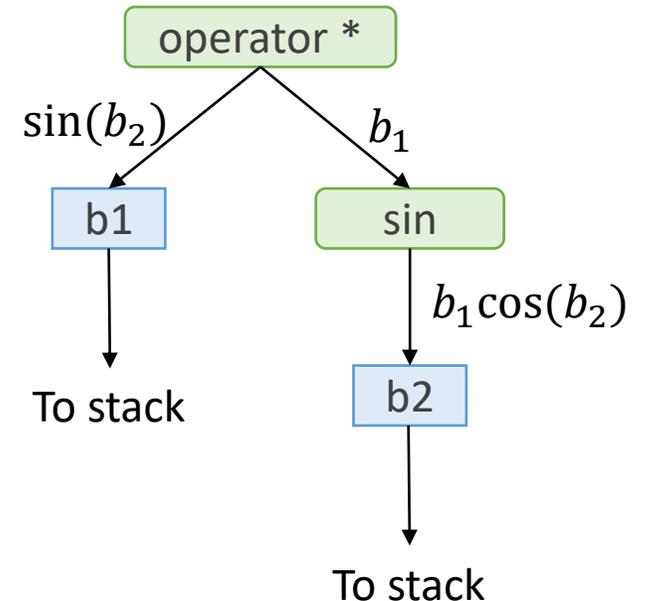
$$\dot{F} = \dot{b}_1 \sin(b_2) + b_1 \dot{b}_2 \cos(b_2)$$



Reverse AD:

$$\bar{b}_1 += \sin(b_2) \bar{F}$$

$$\bar{b}_2 += b_1 \cos(b_2) \bar{F}$$





AD - An Example using TAPENADE

Assume a (piece of) code computing the values of 2 functions $f_1(b_1, b_2, b_3)$ and $f_2(b_1, b_2, b_3)$, written in any language that can be processed by an AD tool (herein **Tapenade** by INRIA). AD will be used to compute six derivatives, in total.

$$f_1 = b_1^2 + b_2 \sqrt{\frac{b_3}{b_1}} + \sin(b_1 b_2) \exp(b_2 + b_3)$$

$$f_2 = \log_{10}(b_1 b_2 b_3) - 5(b_2 - b_1) \tan(b_3)$$

```
#include <iostream>
#include <cmath>
void my(double b1, double b2, double b3, double& f1,
double& f2) {
    f1 = b1 * b1 + b2 * std::sqrt(b3 / b1) + std::sin(b1 * b2) *
std::exp(b2 + b3);
    f2 = std::log10(b1 * b2 * b3) - 5.0 * (b2 - b1) *
std::tan(b3);
}
```

```
subroutine my(b1,b2,b3,f1,f2)
f1=b1*b1+b2*sqrt(b3/b1)+sin(b1*b2)*exp(b2+b3)
f2=log10(b1*b2*b3)-5.*(b2-b1)*tan(b3)
return
end
```



AD - An Example using TAPENADE (in tangent/forward mode)

C Generated by TAPENADE (INRIA, Ecuador team) in forward (tangent) mode:

```

SUBROUTINE MY_D(b1, b1d, b2, b2d, b3, b3d, f1, f1d, f2, f2d)
arg1d = (b3d-b3*b1d/b1)/b1
arg1 = b3/b1
temp = DSQRT(arg1)
result1d = arg1d/(2.D0*DSQRT(arg1))
result1 = temp
temp = DEXP(b2 + b3)
temp0 = DSIN(b1*b2)
f1d = 2*b1*b1d + result1*b2d + b2*result1d + temp*DCOS(b1*b2)*(b2*
+ b1d+b1*b2d) + temp0*DEXP(b2+b3)*(b2d+b3d)
f1 = b1*b1 + b2*result1 + temp0*temp
temp1 = b1*b2*b3
temp0 = DTAN(b3)
f2d = (b3*(b2*b1d+b1*b2d)+b1*b2*b3d)/(temp1*DLOG(10.D0)) - 5.*(
+ temp0*(b2d-b1d)+(b2-b1)*(1.D0+DTAN(b3)**2)*b3d)
f2 = DLOG10(temp1) - 5.*((b2-b1)*temp0)
RETURN
END

```

...d

Call this routine as many times as there are design variables (**3 calls**, for: b1, b2, b3)., with: (b1d,b2d,b3d) = (1,0,0),(0,1,0) and (0,0,1). In each call, derivatives of all functions (f1 and f2) w.r.t. the design variable marked with «1» are computed.



AD - An Example using TAPENADE (in tangent/forward mode)

$$f_1 = b_1^2 + b_2 \sqrt{\frac{b_3}{b_1}} + \sin(b_1 b_2) \exp(b_2 + b_3)$$

$$b_4 = \frac{b_3}{b_1} \quad \blacklozenge \quad b_{4d} = \frac{b_{3d} - b_3 b_{1d}/b_1}{b_1} \quad \blacklozenge \quad b_5 = \sqrt{b_4} \quad \blacklozenge \quad b_{5d} = \frac{b_{4d}}{2\sqrt{b_4}}$$

$$b_6 = \sin(b_1 b_2) \quad \blacklozenge \quad b_7 = \exp(b_2 + b_3) \quad \blacklozenge \quad f_1 = b_1 b_1 + b_2 b_5 + b_6 b_7$$

$$f_{1d} = 2b_1 b_{1d} + b_{2d} b_5 + b_2 b_{5d} + b_7 \cos(b_1 b_2) (b_{2d} b_1 + b_2 b_{1d}) + b_6 \exp(b_2 + b_3) (b_{2d} + b_{3d})$$

$$f_2 = \log_{10}(b_1 b_2 b_3) - 5(b_2 - b_1) \tan(b_3)$$

$$b_8 = b_1 b_2 b_3 \quad \blacklozenge \quad b_9 = \tan(b_3) \quad \blacklozenge \quad f_2 = \log_{10}(b_8) - 5(b_2 - b_1) b_9$$

$$f_{2d} = \frac{[b_3(b_{2d} b_1 + b_2 b_{1d}) + b_1 b_2 b_{3d}]}{b_1 b_2 b_3 \ln(10)} - 5 \left[b_9 (b_{2d} - b_{1d}) - (b_2 - b_1) (1 + \tan^2(b_3)) \right] b_{3d}$$



AD - An Example using TAPENADE (in reverse/adjoint mode)

C Generated by TAPENADE (INRIA, Ecuador team) in reverse (adjoint) mode:

```

SUBROUTINE MY_B(b1, b1b, b2, b2b, b3, b3b, f1, f1b, f2, f2b)
tempb1 = f2b/(b1*b2*b3*DLOG(10.D0))
tempb0 = -(DTAN(b3)*5.*f2b)
b3b = b1*b2*tempb1 - (1.D0+DTAN(b3)**2)*(b2-b1)*5.*f2b
b2b = tempb0 + b1*b3*tempb1
b1b = -tempb0
temp = b3/b1
temp0 = DSQRT(temp)
tempb = b2*f1b/(b1*2.D0*DSQRT(temp))
tempb0 = DCOS(b1*b2)*DEXP(b2+b3)*f1b
b1b = b1b + b2*b3*tempb1 + 2*b1*f1b + b2*tempb0 - temp*tempb
tempb1 = DEXP(b2+b3)*DSIN(b1*b2)*f1b
b2b = b2b + temp0*f1b + tempb1 + b1*tempb0
b3b = b3b + tempb1 + tempb
f1b = 0.D0
f2b = 0.D0
END

```

...b

Call this routine as many times as there are functions to be differentiated (**2 calls**, for: f1, f2), with: (f1b,f2b) = (1,0) and (0,1). In each call, derivatives of the function (f1 or f2) marked with «1», w.r.t. all design variables are computed.



An AD Example using TAPENADE (in reverse/adjoint mode)

$$f_2 = \log_{10}(b_1 b_2 b_3) - 5(b_2 - b_1) \tan(b_3)$$

$$t_{1b} = \frac{f_{2b}}{b_1 b_2 b_3 \ln(10)} \quad \blacklozenge \quad t_{0b} = -5f_{2b} \tan(b_3) \quad \blacklozenge \quad b_{3b} = b_1 b_2 t_{1b} - 5(b_2 - b_1) (1 + \tan^2(b_3)) f_{2b}$$

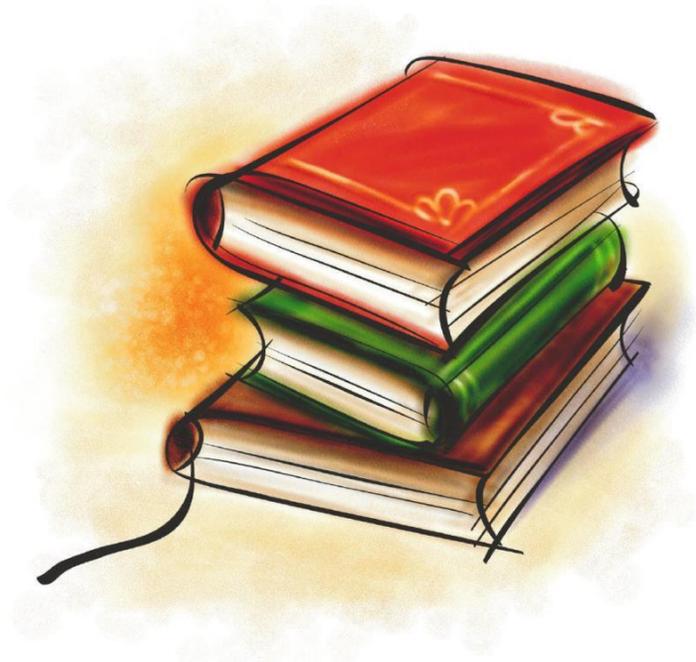
$$b_{2b} = t_{0b} + b_1 b_3 t_{1b} \quad \blacklozenge \quad b_{1b} = -t_{0b}$$

$$f_1 = b_1^2 + b_2 \sqrt{\frac{b_3}{b_1}} + \sin(b_1 b_2) \exp(b_2 + b_3)$$

$$t = \frac{b_3}{b_1} \quad \blacklozenge \quad t_b = \frac{b_2 f_{1b}}{2b_1 \sqrt{t}} \quad \blacklozenge \quad t_0 = \sqrt{t} \quad \blacklozenge \quad t_{0b} = \cos(b_1 b_2) \exp(b_2 + b_3) f_{1b}$$

$$b_{1b} = b_{1b} + b_2 b_3 t_{1b} + 2b_1 f_{1b} + b_2 t_{0b} - t t_b \quad \blacklozenge \quad t_{1b} = \sin(b_1 b_2) \exp(b_2 + b_3) f_{1b}$$

$$b_{2b} = b_{2b} + t_0 f_{1b} + t_{1b} + b_1 t_{0b} \quad \blacklozenge \quad b_{3b} = b_{3b} + t_{1b} + t_b$$



***Grad(F) computation using
Direct Differentiation (DD)***



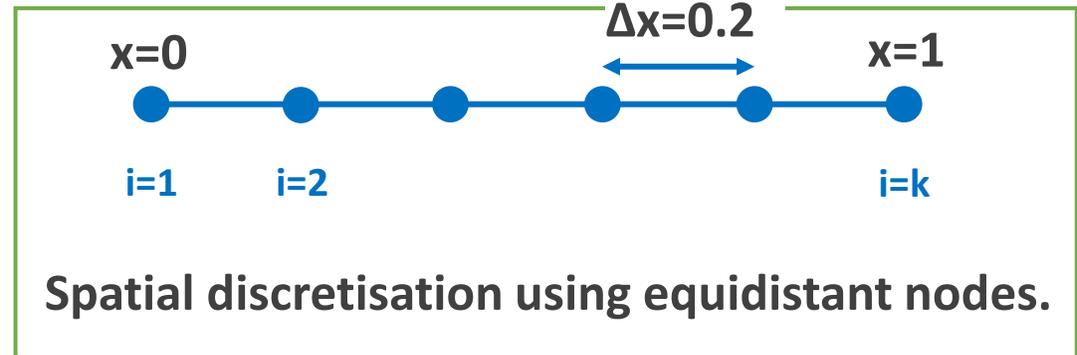
Example (ODE) – The Primal Problem in Discrete Form (1/3)

Example: (Primal) ODE:

$$\frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} + b_1 v + b_2 v^2 - 5 = 0$$

$$0 \leq x \leq 1$$

Boundary conditions: $\begin{cases} v(0) = 1 \\ v(1) = 3 \end{cases}$



Linearisation / Delta formulation: $(v_i^{new} = v_i^{old} + \Delta v_i)$

$$\frac{d^2 (v^{old} + \Delta v)}{dx^2} + b_1 (v^{old} + \Delta v) + b_2 ((v^{old})^2 + 2v^{old} \Delta v) - 5 = 0 \quad 2 \leq i \leq k - 1$$

or

$$\frac{d^2 \Delta v}{dx^2} + b_1 \Delta v + 2b_2 v^{old} \Delta v = -\frac{d^2 v^{old}}{dx^2} - b_1 v^{old} - b_2 (v^{old})^2 + 5$$

$$\begin{aligned} i = 1 & \quad \Delta v_1 = 0 \\ i = k & \quad \Delta v_k = 0 \end{aligned}$$



Example (ODE) – The Primal Problem in Discrete Form (2/3)

$$\frac{d^2 \Delta v}{dx^2} + b_1 \Delta v + 2b_2 v^{old} \Delta v = -\frac{d^2 v^{old}}{dx^2} - b_1 v^{old} - b_2 (v^{old})^2 + 5 \quad \blacktriangleright$$

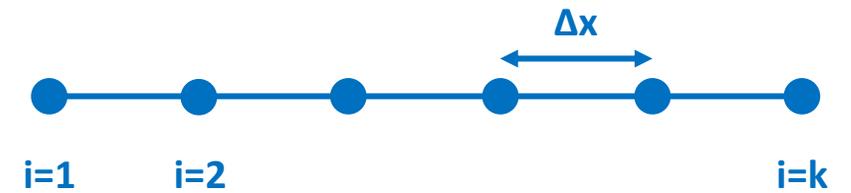
$$\left[\frac{1}{\Delta x^2} \right] \Delta v_{i-1} + \left[b_1 + 2b_2 v_i^{old} - \frac{2}{\Delta x^2} \right] \Delta v_i + \left[\frac{1}{\Delta x^2} \right] \Delta v_{i+1} = -\frac{v_{i+1}^{old} - 2v_i^{old} + v_{i-1}^{old}}{\Delta x^2} - b_1 v_i^{old} - b_2 (v^{old})^2 + 5$$

If: $\alpha = \frac{1}{\Delta x^2}$ $\gamma_i = b_1 + 2b_2 v_i^{old} - 2\alpha$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & & & \\ \alpha & \gamma_2 & \alpha & & & & \\ & \alpha & \gamma_3 & \alpha & & & \\ & & \alpha & \gamma_4 & \alpha & & \\ & & & \alpha & \gamma_5 & \alpha & \\ & & & & & \alpha & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta v_1 \\ \Delta v_2 \\ \Delta v_3 \\ \Delta v_4 \\ \Delta v_5 \\ \Delta v_6 \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ R_2^{old} \\ R_3^{old} \\ R_4^{old} \\ R_5^{old} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_1 = v_1 - 1 = 0$$

$$R_6 = v_6 - 3 = 0$$



(for k=6 nodes)



Example (ODE) – The Primal Problem in Discrete Form (3/3)

$$\left. \frac{d\vec{R}(\vec{v})}{d\vec{v}} \right|^{old} \Delta\vec{v} = -\vec{R}(\vec{v}^{old}) \quad \vec{v}^{new} = \vec{v}^{old} + \Delta\vec{v}$$



Jacobian! (Could be replaced by an easily invertible approximation to the real Jacobian, if needed!)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & & & \\ \alpha & \gamma_2 & \alpha & & & & \\ & \alpha & \gamma_3 & \alpha & & & \\ & & \alpha & \gamma_4 & \alpha & & \\ & & & \alpha & \gamma_5 & \alpha & \\ & & & & & 1 & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta v_1 \\ \Delta v_2 \\ \Delta v_3 \\ \Delta v_4 \\ \Delta v_5 \\ \Delta v_6 \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ R_2^{old} \\ R_3^{old} \\ R_4^{old} \\ R_5^{old} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Comments on the Use of the Jacobian

Solve the state/primal equations $\vec{R}(\vec{U}) = 0$

through an iterative method (linearisation, **delta formulation** ...)

$$\vec{R}(\vec{U}^{n+1}) = 0$$

$$\vec{R}(\vec{U}^{n+1}) = \vec{R}(\vec{U}^n) + \left. \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{U}} \right|_{\vec{U}^n} (\vec{U}^{n+1} - \vec{U}^n) = \vec{R}(\vec{U}^n) + A|_{\vec{U}^n} \Delta \vec{U}$$

or

$$A|_{\vec{U}^n} \Delta \vec{U} = -\vec{R}(\vec{U}^n) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \vec{U}^{n+1} = \vec{U}^n + \Delta \vec{U}$$

Numerics **Physics**



Direct Differentiation (DD)

Minimise (objective function / trapezoidal rule of integration):

$$F = \int_0^1 v(x) dx = \frac{\Delta x}{2} v_1 + \sum_{i=2}^5 v_i \Delta x + \frac{\Delta x}{2} v_6 \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{\delta F}{\delta b_i} = \int_0^1 \frac{\delta v}{\delta b_i}(x) dx \cong \sum_{i=1}^k \left. \frac{\delta v}{\delta b_i} \right|_k \Delta x \text{ (or } \frac{\Delta x}{2})$$

Optimisation (steepest descent):

$$b_i^{new} = b_i^{old} - \eta \frac{\delta F}{\delta b_i}(b_1^{old}, b_2^{old}), \quad i=1, \dots, N$$



Continuous DD

$$\frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} + b_1 v + b_2 v^2 - 5 = 0$$

$$v(0) = 1$$



$$v(1) = 3$$

First DD-ODE:

$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} \left(\frac{\delta v}{\delta b_1} \right) + v + b_1 \frac{\delta v}{\delta b_1} + 2b_2 v \frac{\delta v}{\delta b_1} = 0 \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1$$

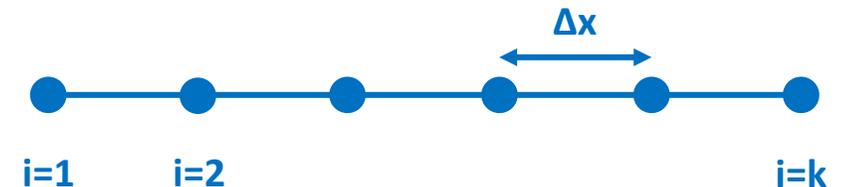
$$\frac{\delta v}{\delta b_1}(0) = 0 \quad \diamond \quad \frac{\delta v}{\delta b_1}(1) = 0$$

N DD-equations to be solved.
CPU cost scales with **N**.
Programming is needed.

Second DD-ODE:

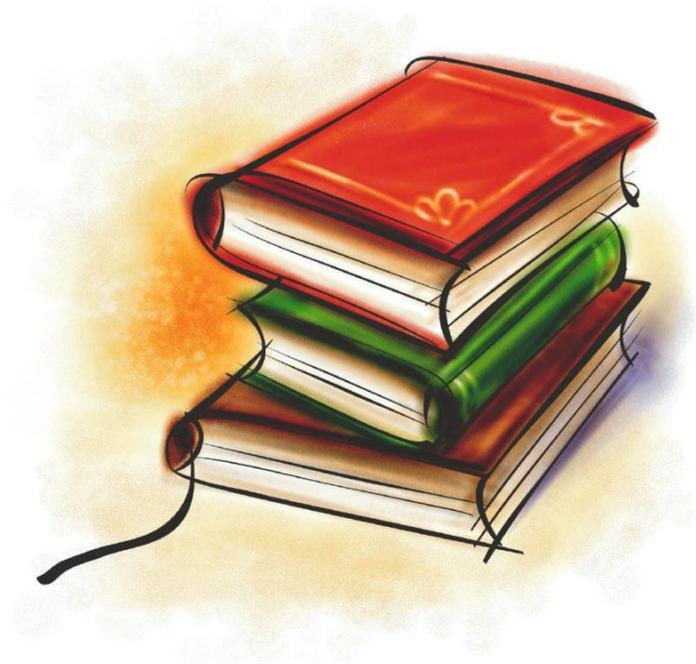
$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} \left(\frac{\delta v}{\delta b_2} \right) + b_1 \frac{\delta v}{\delta b_2} + v^2 + 2b_2 v \frac{\delta v}{\delta b_2} = 0 \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1$$

$$\frac{\delta v}{\delta b_2}(0) = 0 \quad \diamond \quad \frac{\delta v}{\delta b_2}(1) = 0$$



Discrete DD





Grad(F) computation using the Adjoint (Variable, AV) Method

The Adjoint Method (AV)

Continuous Adjoint Method:

1. Differentiate the primal equations (PDEs). Derive adjoint equations in the form of PDEs.
2. Discretize & solve the primal and adjoint equations (PDEs).

First Differentiate – then Discretize

Discrete Adjoint Method:

1. Discretize the primal equations (PDEs) and differentiate them in discrete form.
2. Derive the adjoint equations in discrete form (linear system) and solve them.

First Discretize – then Differentiate

Adjoint is the art of computing the derivatives of J (or F) w.r.t. b_n ($n=1,\dots,N$) without first computing the fields of the derivatives of the primal variables w.r.t. b_n (skip DD). **The adjoint method makes the cost of computing the gradient of F independent from N !**

Towards Discrete Adjoint (1/7)

Objective Function: Min.

$$F = F(\vec{U}(\vec{b}), \vec{b}) \quad \text{or} \quad F = F(\vec{U}, \vec{b})$$



Indirect
dependence



Direct
dependence

Subject to

$$\vec{R} = \vec{R}(\vec{U}(\vec{b}), \vec{b}) = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \vec{R} = \vec{R}(\vec{U}, \vec{b}) = 0$$

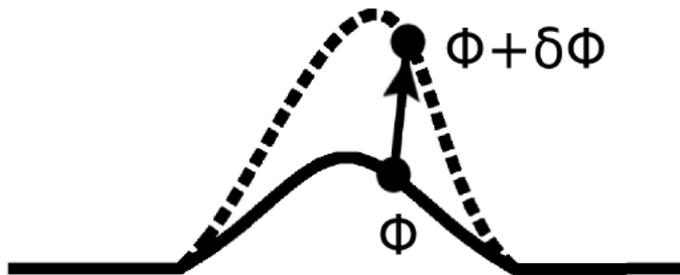


Towards Discrete Adjoint (2/7)

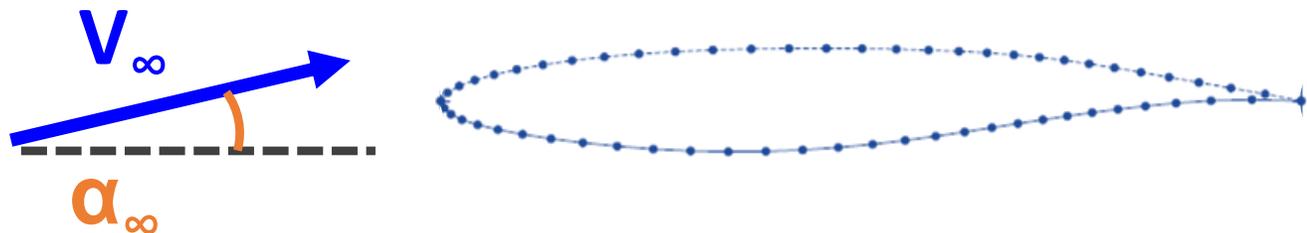
Or, compute $\frac{\delta F}{\delta \vec{b}} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{b}} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{U}} \frac{\delta \vec{U}}{\delta \vec{b}}$ (since $F = F(\vec{U}(\vec{b}), \vec{b})$)

Subject to $\frac{\delta \vec{R}}{\delta \vec{b}} = \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{b}} + \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{U}} \frac{\delta \vec{U}}{\delta \vec{b}} = 0$ (since $\vec{R} = \vec{R}(\vec{U}(\vec{b}), \vec{b}) = 0$)

Total vs. Partial Derivatives



$$F = \int_S p \vec{n} \cdot \vec{a}_\infty dS = \sum p_i \vec{n}_i \cdot \vec{a}_\infty \Delta S_i$$





Towards Discrete Adjoint (3/7)

Understanding $\frac{\delta F}{\delta \vec{b}}$:

$$\frac{\delta F}{\delta \vec{b}} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{b}} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{U}} \frac{\delta \vec{U}}{\delta \vec{b}}$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{b}} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline & \dots & \\ \hline \leftarrow N \rightarrow & & \\ \hline \end{array} \updownarrow 1$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{U}} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline & & \dots & & \\ \hline \leftarrow \kappa \rightarrow & & & & \\ \hline \end{array} \updownarrow 1$$

$$\frac{\delta \vec{U}}{\delta \vec{b}} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline & \dots & \\ \hline & \dots & \\ \hline & \dots & \\ \hline & \vdots & \\ \hline & \dots & \\ \hline & \dots & \\ \hline & \dots & \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{l} \uparrow \\ \kappa \\ \downarrow \end{array}$$

$\leftarrow N \rightarrow$

Computing the derivatives of the primal variables w.r.t. the design variables ($\kappa \times N$) corresponds to **Discrete DD**. The computational cost of DD scales with **N**. **This is avoided using the Adjoint Method.**

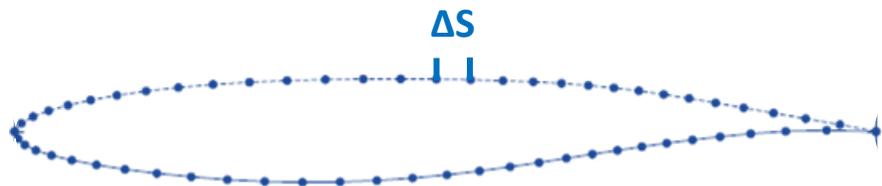


Towards Discrete Adjoint (4/7)

Understanding $\frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{b}}$: and $\frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{U}}$:

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{b}} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline & \dots & \\ \hline \leftarrow N \rightarrow & & \\ \hline \end{array} \updownarrow 1$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{U}} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline & & \dots & & \\ \hline \leftarrow \kappa \rightarrow & & & & \\ \hline \end{array} \updownarrow 1$$



Example: $F = \oint_{\text{airfoil}} p \, dS = \sum p_i \Delta S_i$

This is a naïve example without any physical meaning.

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial U_\lambda} \approx \frac{\partial F}{\partial p_\lambda} = \Delta S_\lambda$$

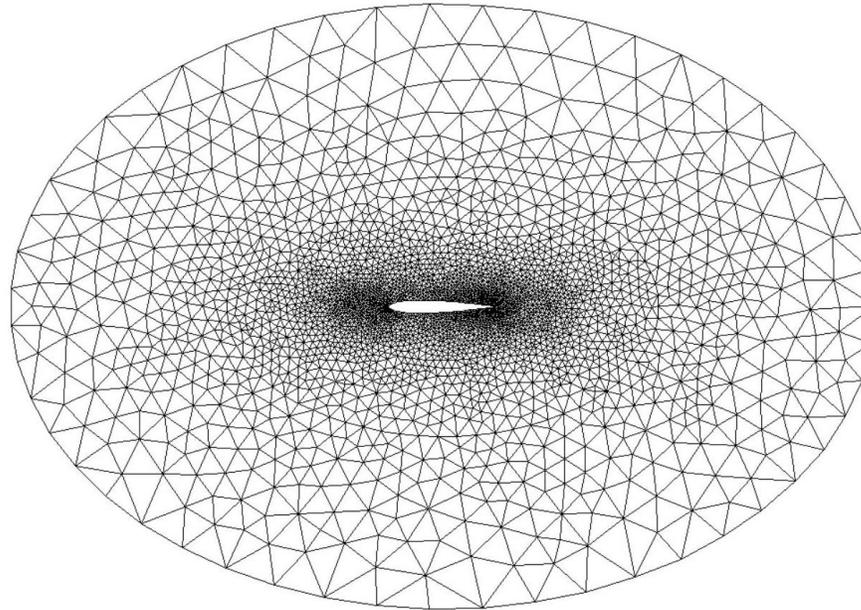
$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial b_n} = \sum p_i \frac{\partial \Delta S_i}{\partial b_n}$$



Towards Discrete Adjoint (5/7)

Understanding $\frac{\delta \vec{U}}{\delta \vec{b}}$

$$\frac{\delta \vec{U}}{\delta \vec{b}} = \begin{matrix} & \dots & & \uparrow \\ & \dots & & \\ & \dots & & \\ & \vdots & & \kappa \\ & \dots & & \\ & \dots & & \\ & \dots & & \downarrow \\ \leftarrow N \rightarrow & & & \end{matrix}$$



2D Flow Problem,
3469 nodes, 6787 triangles

$$\vec{U} = \begin{matrix} & & & \uparrow \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & \vdots & & \kappa \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \downarrow \\ & & & 1 \end{matrix}$$

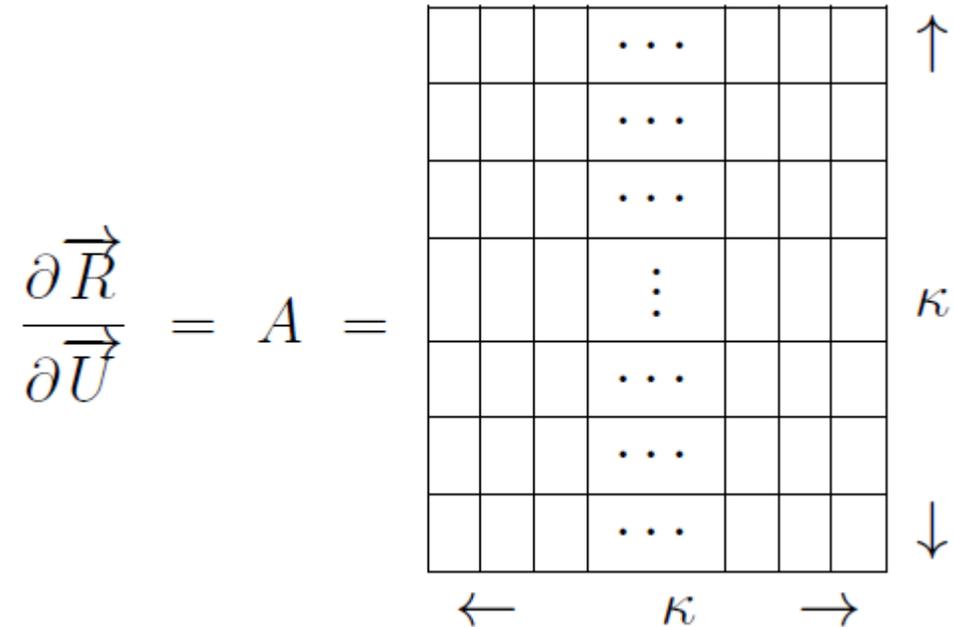
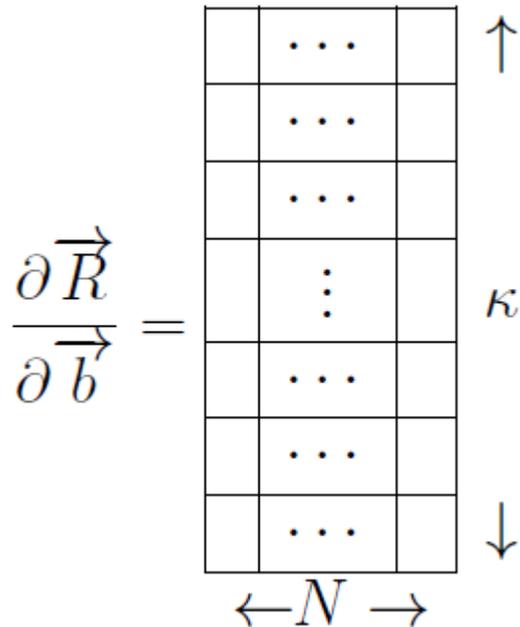
$$\kappa = \begin{cases} 3469 \times 3 & \text{if 2D incompressible laminar flow} \\ 3469 \times 4 & \text{if 2D compressible laminar flow} \end{cases}$$



Towards Discrete Adjoint (6/7)

Understanding $\frac{\delta \vec{R}}{\delta \vec{b}}$ and $\frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{U}}$

$$\frac{\delta \vec{R}}{\delta \vec{b}} = \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{b}} + \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{U}} \frac{\delta \vec{U}}{\delta \vec{b}} = 0$$



Towards Discrete Adjoint (7/7)

Have we seen $\frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{U}}$ again?

$$\vec{R}(\vec{U}) = 0$$

$$\left. \frac{d\vec{R}(\vec{U})}{d\vec{U}} \right|^{old} \Delta\vec{U} = -\vec{R}(\vec{U}^{old})$$

$$\vec{U}^{new} = \vec{U}^{old} + \Delta\vec{U}$$

Jacobian! (However, here, you **cannot** use an easily invertible approximation to the real Jacobian!)

$$\frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{U}} = A =$$

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Discrete DD

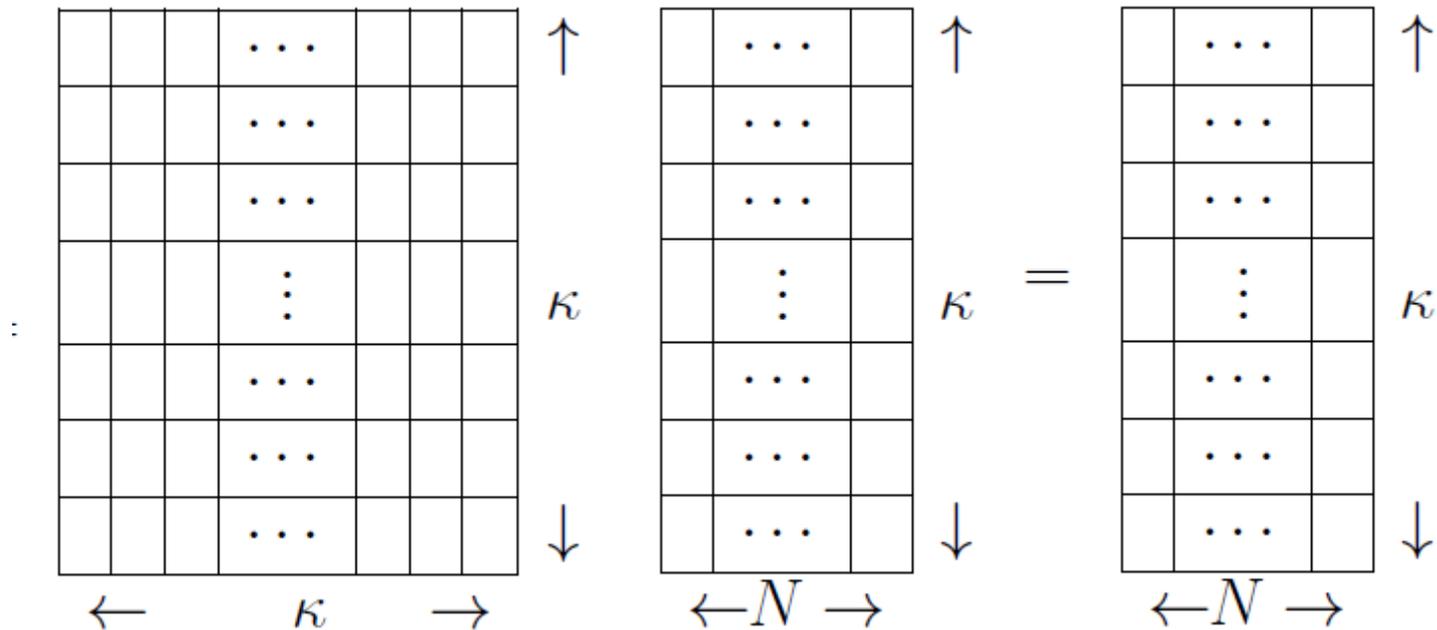
(1) Solve the **N DD equations** resulting from

$$\frac{\delta \vec{R}}{\delta \vec{b}} = \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{b}} + \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{U}} \frac{\delta \vec{U}}{\delta \vec{b}} = 0$$

i.e.
$$\frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{U}} \frac{\delta \vec{U}}{\delta \vec{b}} = - \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{b}}$$

(2) Compute grad(F):

$$\frac{\delta F}{\delta \vec{b}} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{b}} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{U}} \frac{\delta \vec{U}}{\delta \vec{b}}$$



Compact representation of **N independent linear systems $\kappa \times \kappa$**

Why Discrete Adjoint?

To avoid computing the derivatives of the flow variable w.r.t. the design variables ($\kappa \times N$ matrix), i.e. avoid **Direct Differentiation (DD)**.

Instead, use the **Adjoint Method**, either in its **discrete** or **continuous** form.

$$\frac{\delta \vec{U}}{\delta \vec{b}} = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \dots \\ \hline \dots \\ \hline \dots \\ \hline \vdots \\ \hline \dots \\ \hline \dots \\ \hline \dots \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{l} \uparrow \\ \\ \\ \kappa \\ \\ \\ \downarrow \end{array}$$

$\leftarrow N \rightarrow$



Discrete Adjoint (1/4)

$$\frac{\delta \vec{R}}{\delta \vec{b}} = \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{b}} + \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{U}} \frac{\delta \vec{U}}{\delta \vec{b}} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\delta \vec{U}}{\delta \vec{b}} = - \left(\frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{U}} \right)^{-1} \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{b}}$$

$$\frac{\delta F}{\delta \vec{b}} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{b}} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{U}} \frac{\delta \vec{U}}{\delta \vec{b}} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{b}} - \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{U}} \left(\frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{U}} \right)^{-1} \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{b}}$$

Set: $\frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{U}} \left(\frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{U}} \right)^{-1} = \vec{\Psi}^T \Rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{U}} \right)^T \vec{\Psi} = \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{U}} \right)^T$

Field Adjoint Equations (FAE) in discrete form

Sensitivity Derivatives (SD)

$$\frac{\delta F}{\delta \vec{b}} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{b}} - \vec{\Psi}^T \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{b}}$$



Discrete Adjoint - Alternative Development (2/4)

Augmented Objective Function or Lagrangian:

$$F_{aug} = F - \vec{\Psi}^T \vec{R} \qquad \frac{\delta F_{aug}}{\delta \vec{b}} = \frac{\delta F}{\delta \vec{b}} - \vec{\Psi}^T \frac{\delta \vec{R}}{\delta \vec{b}}$$

$$\frac{\delta F_{aug}}{\delta \vec{b}} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{b}} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{U}} \frac{\delta \vec{U}}{\delta \vec{b}} - \vec{\Psi}^T \left(\frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{b}} + \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{U}} \frac{\delta \vec{U}}{\delta \vec{b}} \right)$$

$$\frac{\delta F_{aug}}{\delta \vec{b}} = \underbrace{\frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{b}} - \vec{\Psi}^T \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{b}}}_{\text{Sensitivity Derivatives (SD)}} + \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{U}} - \vec{\Psi}^T \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{U}} \right)}_{\text{Field Adjoint Equations (FAE) in discrete form}} \frac{\delta \vec{U}}{\delta \vec{b}}$$

Sensitivity Derivatives (SD)

$$\frac{\delta F}{\delta \vec{b}} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{b}} - \vec{\Psi}^T \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{b}}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{U}} \right)^T \vec{\Psi} = \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{U}} \right)^T$$

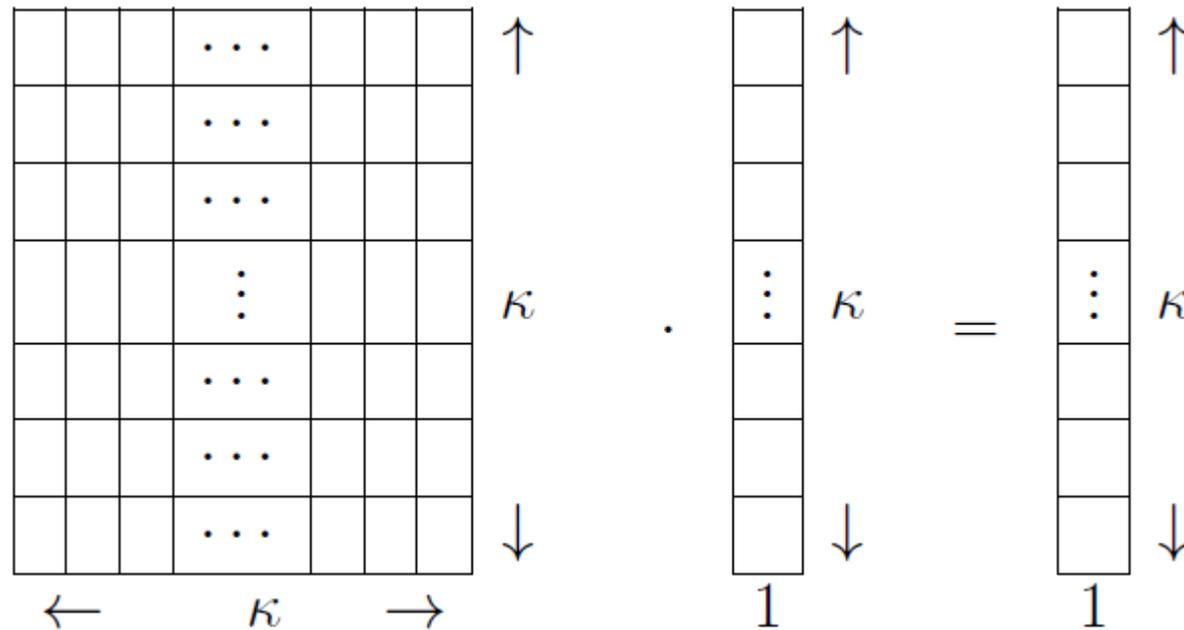
Field Adjoint Equations (FAE) in discrete form



Discrete Adjoint – Adjoint Equations (3/4)

Understanding the
Discrete Adjoint Equation

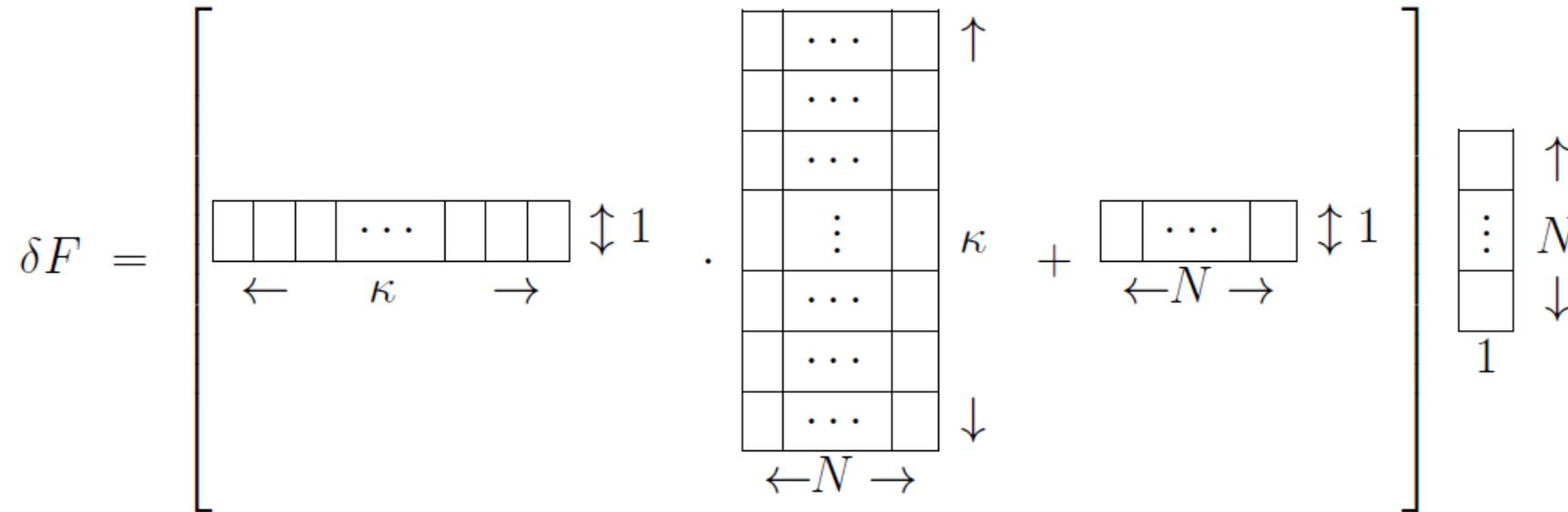
$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{U}} \end{pmatrix}^T \vec{\Psi} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{U}} \end{pmatrix}^T$$



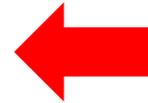
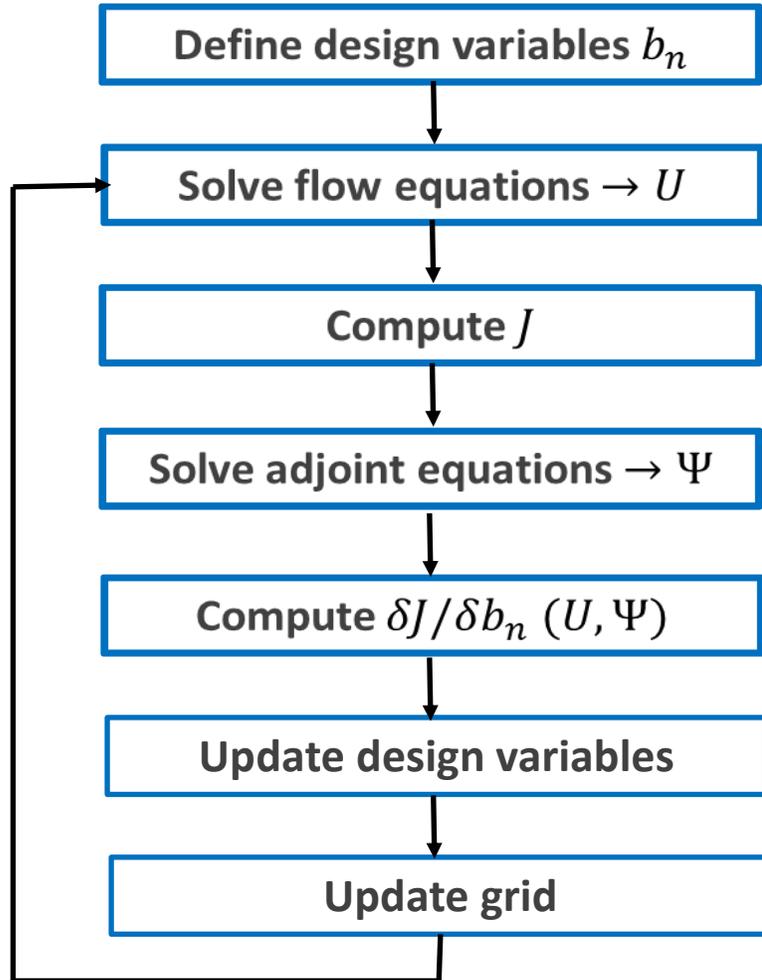


Discrete Adjoint – Sensitivity Derivatives (4/4)

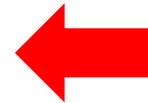
$$\frac{\delta F}{\delta \vec{b}} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{b}} - \vec{\Psi}^T \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{b}} \quad \delta F = \left(-\vec{\Psi}^T \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{b}} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{b}} \right) \delta \vec{b}$$



Adjoint-based Optimisation Loop (for min. J)



Computational Cost: **1 TU**



Computational Cost: **~ 1 TU**

Using the Adjoint Method, the computational cost per **optimisation cycle** is equal to 2 TU, **IRRESPECTIVE OF THE NUMBER (N) OF THE DESIGN VARIABLES.**

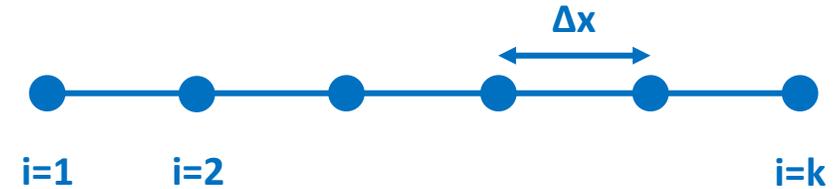
Example Revisited – The Primal Problem in Discrete Form (1/8)

Example: (Primal) ODE:

$$\frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} + b_1 v + b_2 v^2 - 5 = 0$$

$$0 \leq x \leq 1$$

Boundary conditions: $\begin{cases} v(0) = 1 \\ v(1) = 3 \end{cases}$



Discretisation using equidistant nodes.

Linearisation / Delta formulation: $(v_i^{new} = v_i^{old} + \Delta v_i)$

$$\frac{d^2 (v^{old} + \Delta v)}{dx^2} + b_1 (v^{old} + \Delta v) + b_2 ((v^{old})^2 + 2v^{old} \Delta v) - 5 = 0 \quad 2 \leq i \leq k - 1$$

or

$$\frac{d^2 \Delta v}{dx^2} + b_1 \Delta v + 2b_2 v^{old} \Delta v = -\frac{d^2 v^{old}}{dx^2} - b_1 v^{old} - b_2 (v^{old})^2 + 5$$

$$\begin{aligned} i = 1 & \quad \Delta v_1 = 0 \\ i = k & \quad \Delta v_k = 0 \end{aligned}$$



Example Revisited – Discrete Adjoint (3/8)

Objective Function (in discrete form):

$$F = \int_0^1 v(x) dx = \frac{\Delta x}{2} v_1 + \sum_2^5 v_i \Delta x + \frac{\Delta x}{2} v_6$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial v_i} = \Delta x \quad \text{for} \quad 2 \leq i \leq 5$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial v_1} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial v_6} = \frac{\Delta x}{2}$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{b}} = [0 \quad 0] \quad \text{since} \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial b_1} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial b_2} = 0$$

Example Revisited – Discrete Adjoint (4/8)

$$R_i = \alpha v_{i-1} + b_1 v_i + b_2 v_i^2 - 2\alpha v_i + \alpha v_{i+1} - 5 \neq 0 \quad \alpha = \frac{1}{\Delta x^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial R_i}{\partial v_{i-1}} = \alpha$$

$$\frac{\partial R_i}{\partial v_{i+1}} = \alpha$$

$$\frac{\partial R_i}{\partial v_i} = b_1 + 2b_2 v_i - 2\alpha = \gamma_i$$

Discrete Adjoint Equation:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{v}} \end{pmatrix}^T \vec{\Psi} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{v}} \end{pmatrix}^T$$

or

$$A^T \vec{\Psi} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{v}} \end{pmatrix}^T$$

or

$$A^T \begin{bmatrix} \Psi_1 \\ \Psi_2 \\ \Psi_3 \\ \Psi_4 \\ \Psi_5 \\ \Psi_6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x/2 \\ \Delta x \\ \Delta x \\ \Delta x \\ \Delta x \\ \Delta x/2 \end{bmatrix}$$



Example Revisited – Discrete Adjoint (5/8)

$$R_i = \alpha v_{i-1} + b_1 v_i + b_2 v_i^2 - 2\alpha v_i + \alpha v_{i+1} - 5 \neq 0 \quad \alpha = \frac{1}{\Delta x^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial R_i}{\partial b_1} = v_i \quad \frac{\partial R_i}{\partial b_2} = v_i^2 \quad \text{for } 2 \leq i \leq 5 \quad \frac{\partial R_1}{\partial b_1} = \frac{\partial R_1}{\partial b_2} = 0 \quad \frac{\partial R_6}{\partial b_1} = \frac{\partial R_6}{\partial b_2} = 0$$

Sensitivity Derivatives (SD):

$$\frac{\delta F}{\delta \vec{b}} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \vec{b}} - \vec{\Psi}^T \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{b}}$$

0

$$\text{or} \quad \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\delta F}{\delta b_1} \\ \frac{\delta F}{\partial \delta} \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}^T - [\Psi_1 \quad \Psi_2 \quad \Psi_3 \quad \Psi_4 \quad \Psi_5 \quad \Psi_6] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ v_2 & v_2^2 \\ v_3 & v_3^2 \\ v_4 & v_4^2 \\ v_5 & v_5^2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



Example Revisited – Continuous Adjoint (6/8)

$$F_{aug} = F + \int_0^1 \Psi \left(\frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} + b_1 v + b_2 v^2 - 5 \right) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta F_{aug} = \delta \int_0^1 v dx + \int_0^1 \Psi \delta \left(\frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} + b_1 v + b_2 v^2 - 5 \right) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta F_{aug} = \int_0^1 \delta v dx + \underbrace{\int_0^1 \Psi \frac{d^2 \delta v}{dx^2} dx}_{T1} + \underbrace{\int_0^1 \Psi \delta(b_1 v) dx}_{T2} + \underbrace{\int_0^1 \Psi \delta(b_2 v^2) dx}_{T3}$$



Example Revisited – Continuous Adjoint (7/8)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow T1: \int_0^1 \Psi \frac{d^2 \delta v}{dx^2} dx &= \int_0^1 \frac{d}{dx} \left(\Psi \frac{d\delta v}{dx} \right) dx - \int_0^1 \frac{d\Psi}{dx} \frac{d\delta v}{dx} dx = \\
 &= \left[\Psi \frac{d\delta v}{dx} \right]_0^1 - \int_0^1 \frac{d}{dx} \left(\delta v \frac{d\Psi}{dx} \right) dx + \int_0^1 \frac{d^2 \Psi}{dx^2} \delta v dx = \\
 &= \left[\Psi \frac{d\delta v}{dx} \right]_0^1 - \left[\delta v \frac{d\Psi}{dx} \right]_0^1 + \int_0^1 \frac{d^2 \Psi}{dx^2} \delta v dx
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow T2: \int_0^1 \Psi \delta(b_1 v) dx = b_1 \int_0^1 \Psi \delta v dx + \int_0^1 \Psi v \delta b_1 dx$$

$$\Rightarrow T3: \int_0^1 \Psi \delta(b_2 v^2) dx = 2b_2 \int_0^1 \Psi v \delta v dx + \int_0^1 \Psi v^2 \delta b_2 dx$$



Example Revisited – Continuous Adjoint (8/8)

$$\delta F_{aug} = \int_0^1 \delta v \left[\frac{d^2 \Psi}{dx^2} + b_1 \Psi + 2b_2 v \Psi + 1 \right] dx + \left[\Psi \frac{d\delta v}{dx} \right]_0^1 + \int_0^1 \Psi v \delta b_1 dx + \int_0^1 \Psi v^2 \delta b_2 dx$$

Field Adjoint Equation (FAE):	$\frac{d^2 \Psi}{dx^2} + b_1 \Psi + 2b_2 v \Psi + 1 = 0$
Adjoint Boundary Conditions (ABC):	$\Psi(x = 0) = 0 \quad \Psi(x = 1) = 0$
Sensitivity Derivatives (SD):	$\frac{\delta F}{\delta b_1} = \Psi v \quad \frac{\delta F}{\delta b_2} = \Psi v^2$



Discrete Adjoint for other than Optimization Purposes

Compute $F = \vec{g}^T \vec{U}$, $\vec{g}, \vec{U} \in R^N$

where $A\vec{U} = \vec{q}$, $\vec{q} \in R^N$, $A \in R^{N \times N}$

Direct Computation

Step 1: $A\vec{U} = \vec{q} \longrightarrow \vec{U}$

Step 2: $F = \vec{g}^T \vec{U} \longrightarrow F$

Adjoint Computation

Step 1: $A^T \vec{\Psi} = \vec{g} \longrightarrow \vec{\Psi}$

Step 2: $F = \vec{\Psi}^T \vec{q} \longrightarrow F$

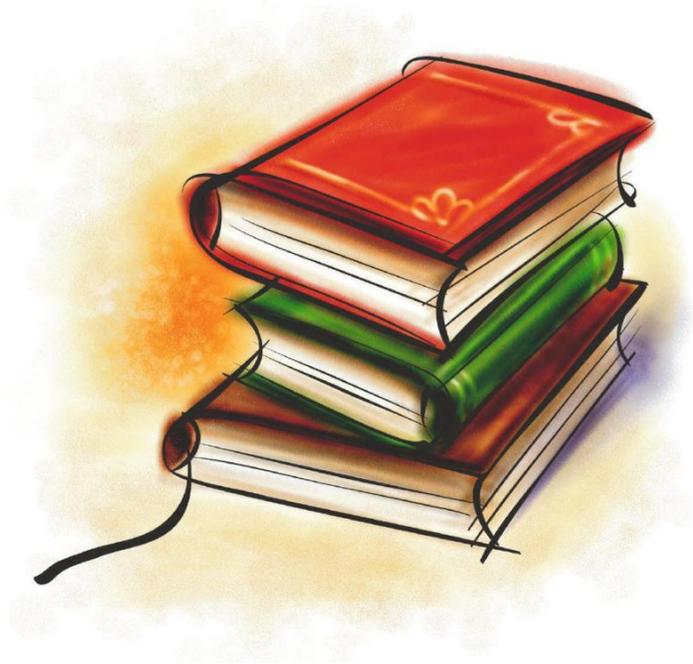
Their Equivalence: $\vec{\Psi}^T \vec{q} = \vec{\Psi}^T (A\vec{U}) = \vec{\Psi}^T A\vec{U} = (A^T \vec{\Psi})^T \vec{U} = \vec{g}^T \vec{U}$

Benefits:

Assume we have **m** vectors \vec{q}
and **n** vectors \vec{g}

Use the
Direct Computation
if **m < n**.

Use the
Adjoint Computation
if **m > n**.

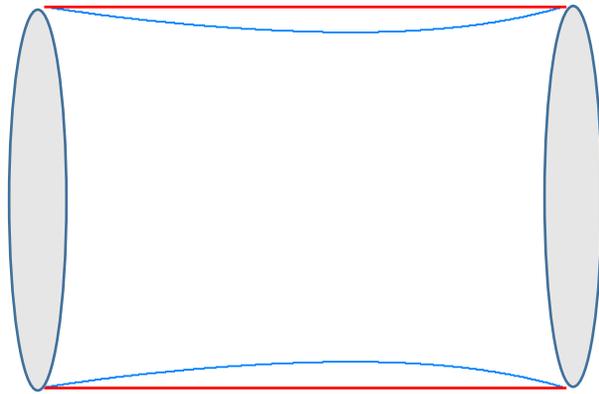


Inverse Design of a Quasi-1D Duct

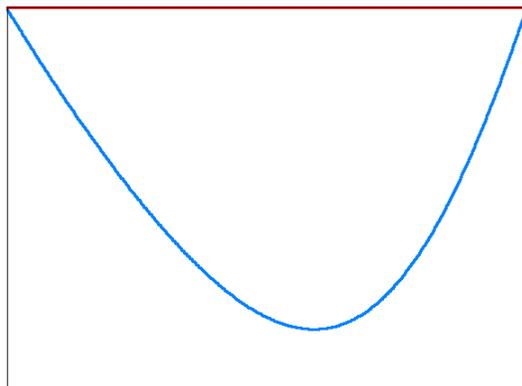


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Cross Section

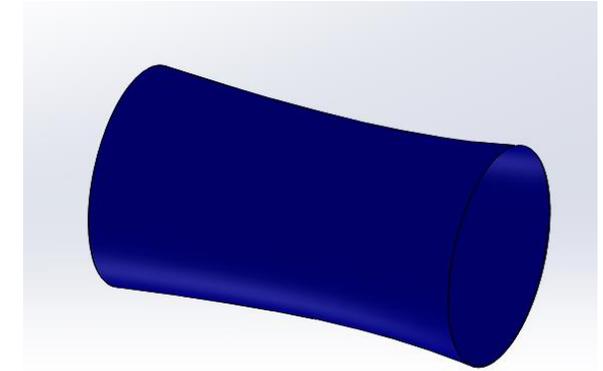


Pressure



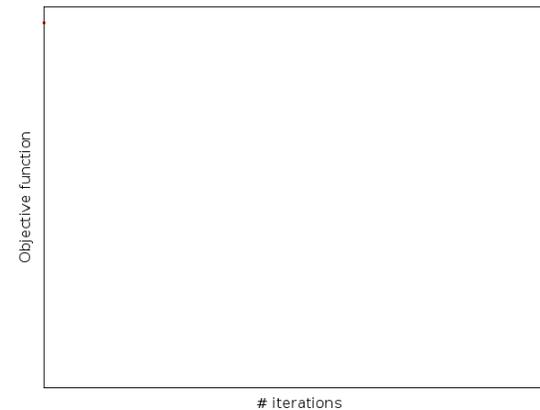
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Target Duct



$$J = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (p(x) - \underbrace{p_{tar}(x)}_{\text{given}})^2 dx$$

Convergence History



Inverse Design of a Quasi-1D Duct – Incompressible Flow

Objective Function (min.):

$$J = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (p(x) - p_{tar}(x))^2 dx$$

Shape (Cross-Sectional Area) Parametrisation:

$$S(x, b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4) = b_1 (-x^3 + 3x^2 - 3x + 1) + b_2 (3x^3 - 6x^2 + 3x) + b_3 (-3x^3 + 3x^2) + b_4 x^3$$

Design/Optimisation Variables:

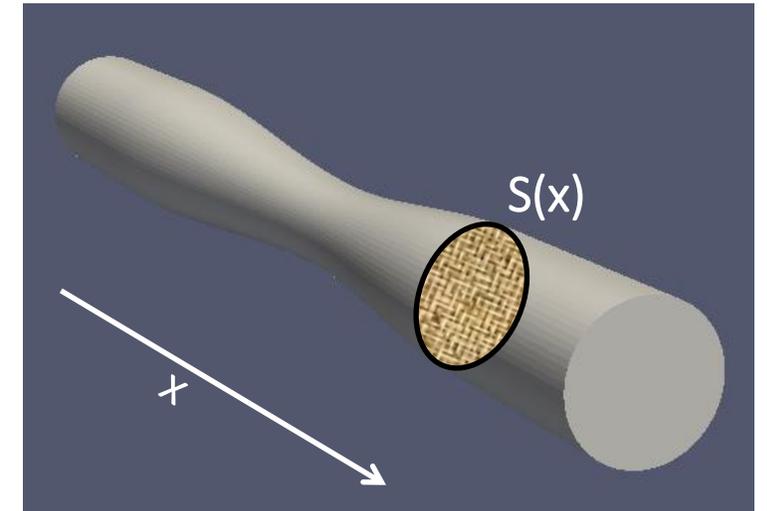
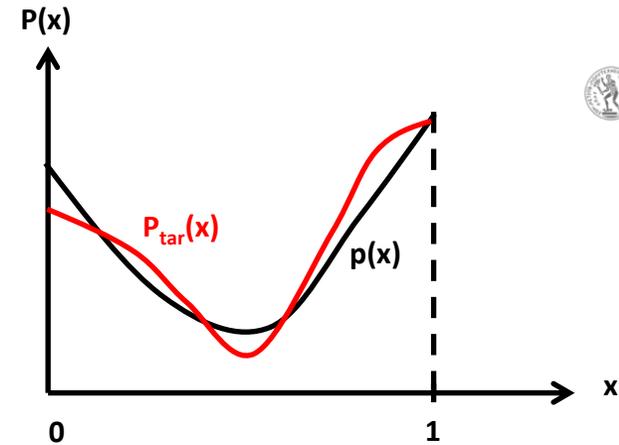
$$b_n, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, 4$$

State/Primal/Flow Equations (ODEs):

$$\frac{d(vS)}{dx} = 0 \quad v \frac{dv}{dx} + \frac{dp}{dx} = 0$$

State/Primal/Flow Boundary Conditions:

$$v|_{x=0} = v_0 \quad p|_{x=1} = p_0$$



Inverse Design of a Quasi-1D Duct – Incompressible Flow

Differentiation of the objective function:

$$\frac{\delta J}{\delta b_n} = \int_0^1 (p(x) - p_{tar}(x)) \frac{\delta p}{\delta b_n} dx, \quad n = 1, \dots, N$$

Differentiation of the flow (primal or state) equations (non-conservative):

$$\left. \begin{aligned} S \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\delta v}{\delta b_n} \right) + \frac{dS}{dx} \frac{\delta v}{\delta b_n} + \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{\delta S}{\delta b_n} + v \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\delta S}{\delta b_n} \right) &= 0 \\ \frac{\delta v}{\delta b_n} \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\delta v}{\delta b_n} \right) + \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\delta p}{\delta b_n} \right) &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} n = 1, \dots, N$$

Direct Differentiation (DD)

Differentiation of the flow (primal or state) boundary conditions:

$$\frac{\delta v}{\delta b_n} \Big|_{x=0} = 0, \quad \frac{\delta p}{\delta b_n} \Big|_{x=1} = 0$$

Adjoint is the art of computing $\frac{\delta J}{\delta b_n}$ without first computing $\frac{\delta v}{\delta b_n}$ and $\frac{\delta p}{\delta b_n}$.



Inverse Design of a Quasi-1D Duct – Incompressible Flow

Define & differentiate the augmented objective function or Lagrangian of J:

$$L = J + \int_0^1 q \frac{d(vS)}{dx} dx + \int_0^1 u \left[v \frac{dv}{dx} + \frac{dp}{dx} \right] dx$$

$$\frac{\delta L}{\delta b_n} = \frac{\delta J}{\delta b_n} + \int_0^1 q \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{\delta(vS)}{\delta b_n} \right] dx + \int_0^1 u \left[\frac{\delta v}{\delta b_n} \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\delta v}{\delta b_n} \right) + \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\delta p}{\delta b_n} \right) \right] dx$$

where **q** and **u** are the adjoint pressure and velocity (1D) fields.

Integrate by parts:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\delta L}{\delta b_n} = & - \int_0^1 \left[-u \frac{dv}{dx} + \frac{d(vu)}{dx} + S \frac{dq}{dx} \right] \frac{\delta v}{\delta b_n} dx + \int_0^1 \left(-\frac{du}{dx} + p - p_{tar} \right) \frac{\delta p}{\delta b_n} dx \\ & - \int_0^1 v \frac{dq}{dx} \frac{\delta S}{\delta b_n} dx + \left[(vu + qS) \frac{\delta v}{\delta b_n} \right]_{x=0}^{x=1} + \left[u \frac{\delta p}{\delta b_n} \right]_{x=0}^{x=1} + \left[vq \frac{\delta S}{\delta b_n} \right]_{x=0}^{x=1} \end{aligned}$$

Inverse Design of a Quasi-1D Duct – Incompressible Flow

Adjoint field equations:

$$\frac{du}{dx} = p - p_{tar} \quad u \frac{dv}{dx} - \frac{d(vu)}{dx} - S \frac{dq}{dx} = 0$$

Adjoint boundary conditions:

$$u|_{x=0} = 0, \quad q|_{x=1} = - \left. \frac{vu}{S} \right|_{x=1}$$

Compare with the primal problem equations & boundary conditions:

$$\frac{d(vS)}{dx} = 0 \quad v \frac{dv}{dx} + \frac{dp}{dx} = 0$$

$$v|_{x=0} = v_0 \quad p|_{x=1} = p_0$$



Inverse Design of a Quasi-1D Duct – Incompressible Flow

Sensitivity derivatives:

$$\frac{\delta L}{\delta b_n} = \frac{\delta J}{\delta b_n} = - \int_0^1 v \frac{dq}{dx} \frac{\delta S}{\delta b_n} dx + vq \frac{\delta S}{\delta b_n} \Big|_{x=1} - vq \frac{\delta S}{\delta b_n} \Big|_{x=0}, \quad n = 1, \dots, 4$$

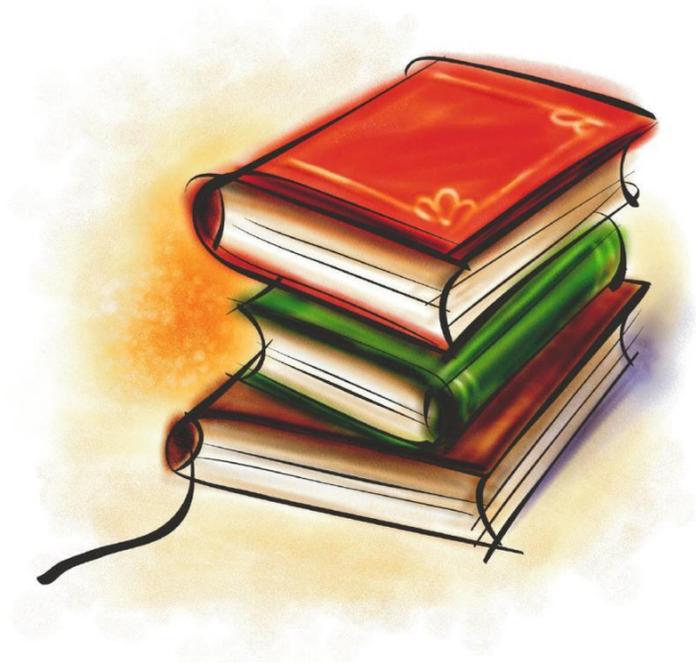
or:

$$\frac{\delta J}{\delta b_1} = - \int_0^1 v \frac{dq}{dx} (-x^3 + 3x^2 - 3x + 1) dx - vq \Big|_{x=0}$$

$$\frac{\delta J}{\delta b_2} = - \int_0^1 v \frac{dq}{dx} (3x^3 - 6x^2 + 3x) dx$$

$$\frac{\delta J}{\delta b_3} = - \int_0^1 v \frac{dq}{dx} (-3x^3 + 3x^2) dx$$

$$\frac{\delta J}{\delta b_4} = - \int_0^1 v \frac{dq}{dx} x^3 dx + vq \Big|_{x=1}$$



Computing the Hessian Matrix



Computation of Hessian (1/4)

WHY? Hessian matrix is needed either in Newton's method or in Robust-Design Optimisation (RDO), based on the Method of Moments. Differentiating w.r.t. the design or uncertain variables is irrelevant.

(Exact) Newton's Method:

$$\vec{b}^{new} = \vec{b}^{old} - \nabla^2 F(\vec{b}^{old})^{-1} \nabla F(\vec{b}^{old})^T$$

The most efficient approach is: **DD-AV**.

(**DD** to compute the gradient, **AV=adjoint** to compute the Hessian).



Computation of Hessian (2/4)

Hessian Matrix Computation using the **DD-DD** method:

$$\frac{dF}{db_i} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial b_i} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial U_k} \frac{dU_k}{db_i}$$

k=1,...,N design variables

$$\frac{dR_m}{db_i} = \frac{\partial R_m}{\partial b_i} + \frac{\partial R_m}{\partial U_k} \frac{dU_k}{db_i} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 F}{db_i db_j} &= \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial b_i \partial b_j} + \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial b_i \partial U_k} \frac{dU_k}{db_j} + \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial U_k \partial b_j} \frac{dU_k}{db_i} \\ &+ \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial U_k \partial U_m} \frac{dU_k}{db_i} \frac{dU_m}{db_j} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial U_k} \frac{d^2 U_k}{db_i db_j} \end{aligned}$$

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The cost for computing the Hessian via the **DD-DD** approach scales with **N²**.



Computation of Hessian (3/4)

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$$\frac{dU_k}{db_i}$$

$$\boxed{N} \text{ TU}$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial U_k} + \hat{\Psi}_n \frac{\partial R_n}{\partial U_k} = 0$$



$$\hat{\Psi}_n$$

$$\boxed{1} \text{ TU}$$

The Adjoint equation is **the same** to that used to compute Grad(F) !!!

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 \hat{F}}{db_i db_j} &= \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial b_i \partial b_j} + \hat{\Psi}_n \frac{\partial^2 R_n}{\partial b_i \partial b_j} + \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial U_k \partial U_m} \frac{dU_k}{db_i} \frac{dU_m}{db_j} + \hat{\Psi}_n \frac{\partial^2 R_n}{\partial U_k \partial U_m} \frac{dU_k}{db_i} \frac{dU_m}{db_j} \\ &+ \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial b_i \partial U_k} \frac{dU_k}{db_j} + \hat{\Psi}_n \frac{\partial^2 R_n}{\partial b_i \partial U_k} \frac{dU_k}{db_j} + \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial U_k \partial b_j} \frac{dU_k}{db_i} + \hat{\Psi}_n \frac{\partial^2 R_n}{\partial U_k \partial b_j} \frac{dU_k}{db_i} \\ &+ \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial U_k} + \hat{\Psi}_n \frac{\partial R_n}{\partial U_k} \right) \frac{d^2 U_k}{db_i db_j} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d^2 F^\lambda}{db_i db_j} db_j^\lambda = - \frac{dF^\lambda}{db_i}$$

- ▶ The cost per Newton cycle is $N+1+1=N+2$ EFS! Scales with N , not N^2 .
- ▶ **DD-AV** is **the most efficient** approach (among DD-DD, AV-DD, AV-AV)!

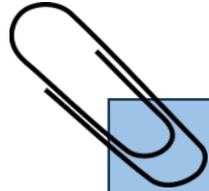


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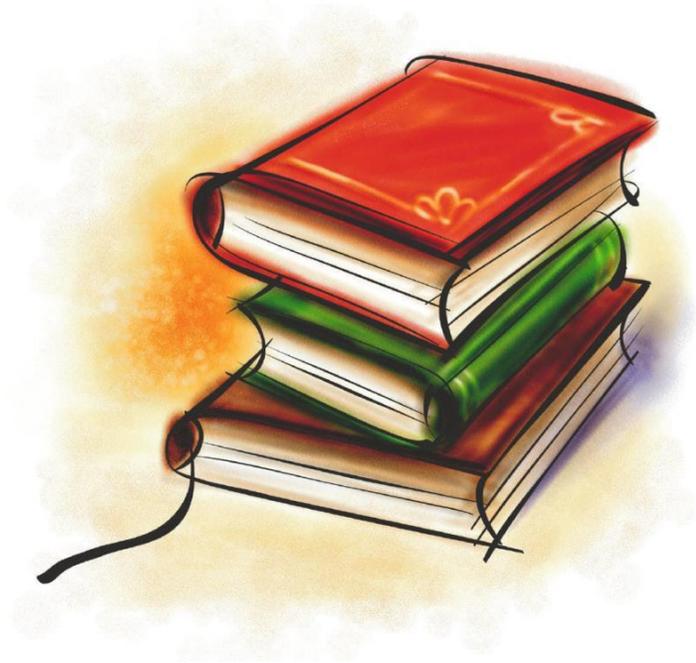
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The Think-Discrete Do-Continuous (TDDC) Adjoint



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The **TDDC** Adjoint **bridges the gap** between the two adjoint variants and combines the best of both worlds. The concept is to develop consistent discretisation schemes for the continuous adjoint equations, inspired by (hand-differentiated) discrete adjoint.



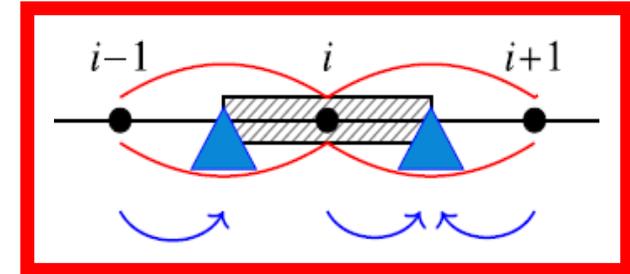
The Think-Discrete Do-Continuous (TDDC) Adjoint – The Concept (1/4)

Example: a VERY SIMPLE term in a nonlinear 1D ODE:

□ Flow Equation & FV Discretisation: $\int_{i-1/2}^{i+1/2} \frac{du^2}{dx} dx \simeq u_{i+1/2} u_i^{\text{upwind}} - u_{i-1/2} u_{i-1}^{\text{upwind}}$

□ First-order **Upwind** Discretisation →

$$\frac{1}{2} (u_i + u_{i+1}) u_i - \frac{1}{2} (u_i + u_{i-1}) u_{i-1}$$



□ Second-order **Upwind** Discretisation →

$$\frac{1}{2} (u_i + u_{i+1}) \left(u_i + \frac{1}{4} u_{i+1} - \frac{1}{4} u_{i-1} \right) - \frac{1}{2} (u_i + u_{i-1}) \left(u_{i-1} + \frac{1}{4} u_i - \frac{1}{4} u_{i-2} \right)$$



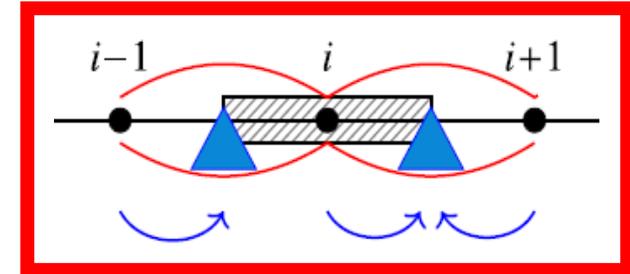
The Think-Discrete Do-Continuous (TDDC) Adjoint – The Concept (2/4)

- Continuous adjoint; corresponding term:

$$\frac{du^2}{dx} \longrightarrow -2u \frac{d\Psi}{dx}$$

- “Standard” First-order **Downwind** Discretisation →

$$\mathcal{I}_i = -2 \int_{i-1/2}^{i+1/2} u \frac{d\Psi}{dx} dx \simeq -2u_i (\Psi_{i+1} - \Psi_i)$$



- Hand-Differentiated Discrete Adjoint →

First-order:
$$\mathcal{I}_i \simeq \frac{1}{2}\Psi_{i-1}u_{i-1} - \frac{1}{2}\Psi_i u_{i-1} + \Psi_i u_i + \frac{1}{2}\Psi_i u_{i+1} - \Psi_{i+1} u_i - \frac{1}{2}\Psi_{i+1} u_{i+1}$$

Second-order:
$$\mathcal{I}_i \simeq -\frac{1}{8}\Psi_{i-1}u_{i-2} + \frac{5}{8}\Psi_{i-1}u_{i-1} + \frac{1}{4}\Psi_{i-1}u_i + \frac{1}{8}\Psi_i u_{i-2} - \frac{6}{8}\Psi_i u_{i-1} + \frac{3}{4}\Psi_i u_i + \frac{5}{8}\Psi_i u_{i+1}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{8}\Psi_{i+1}u_{i-1} - \Psi_{i+1}u_i - \frac{6}{8}\Psi_{i+1}u_{i+1} - \frac{1}{8}\Psi_{i+1}u_{i+1} + \frac{1}{8}\Psi_{i+2}u_{i+1} + \frac{1}{8}\Psi_{i+2}u_{i+2}$$



The Think-Discrete Do-Continuous (TDDC) Adjoint – The Concept (3/4)

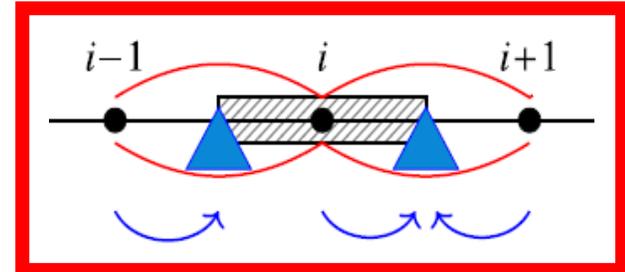
- TDDC adjoint** (Downwind) Discretisation:

$$I_i = -2 \int_{i-1/2}^{i+1/2} u \frac{d\Psi}{dx} dx \quad \longrightarrow \quad I_i \simeq -2 (a Q_{i-1/2} + b Q_{i+1/2} + c Q_{i+3/2})$$

With

$$Q_{\lambda+1/2} = \bar{u}_{\lambda+1/2} \left. \frac{d\Psi}{dx} \right|_{\lambda+1/2} \Delta x = \bar{u}_{\lambda+1/2} \frac{\Psi_{\lambda+1} - \Psi_{\lambda}}{\Delta x} \Delta x$$

↑
Downwind effect!



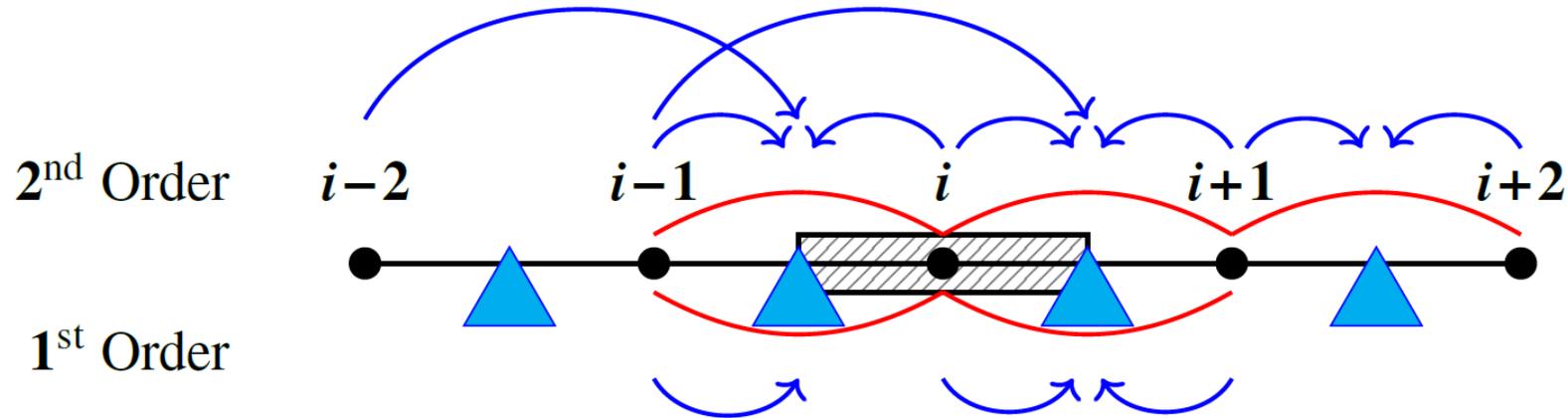
- Consistent TTDC Adjoint** Discretisation:

	a	b	c	$\bar{u}_{i-1/2}$	$\bar{u}_{i+1/2}$	$\bar{u}_{i+3/2}$
1 st Order	1/4	3/4	0	u_{i-1}	$\frac{1}{3} (2u_i + u_{i+1})$	0
2 nd Order	3/8	6/8	-1/8	$\frac{1}{6} (-u_{i-2} + 5u_{i-1} + 2u_i)$	$\frac{1}{12} (-u_{i-1} + 8u_i + 5u_{i+1})$	$\frac{1}{2} (u_{i+1} + u_{i+2})$



The Think-Discrete Do-Continuous (TDDC) Adjoint – The Concept (4/4)

Graphical Interpretation of the TDDC Discretisation:



First-order: Red curves indicate the central scheme for the gradients of Ψ and blue arrows contributions of nodal u values to the midnodes for first- (low) and second-order (up) schemes.

TDDC Adjoint:

$$\mathcal{I}_i = -2 \int_{i-1/2}^{i+1/2} u \frac{d\Psi}{dx} dx \simeq -2 \left[\frac{1}{4} u_{i-1} (\Psi_i - \Psi_{i-1}) - \frac{3}{4} \frac{2u_i + u_{i+1}}{3} (\Psi_{i+1} - \Psi_i) \right]$$

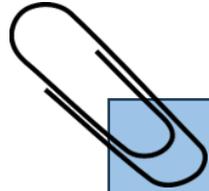
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