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# Efficient Numerical Approximation of General Flow Stabilization Problems with Boundary Actuation

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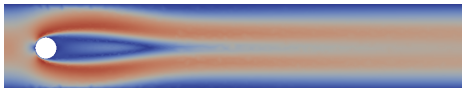
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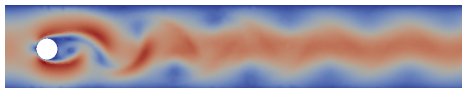


# Introduction

## Outline of the Talk



- A general numerical tool for
- optimal control of flows
- by means of a back end that
  - accounts for general structures
  - copes with high dimensions
  - covers typical applications





# Optimal Control of Flows

## The General Structure

We consider model equations for approximations  $v$  and  $p$  to the velocity and pressure of a flow

$$\begin{aligned} M\dot{v} - Av - J^T p &= Bu, \\ Jv &= 0, \\ y &= Cv, \end{aligned}$$

- $M$  ... mass matrix, invertible
- $A$  ... convection and diffusion operator
- $J$  ... discrete divergence
- $B, C$  ... input and output operators

And remark that

- the dynamics are constrained to the kernel of  $J$ ,
- the dimension of the state spaces of  $v$  and  $p$  can be very large.



# Optimal Control of Flows

## Constrained Riccati Equations

The constraints and structure of the dynamical equations are reflected in the Riccati equations we need solve for the optimization.

Find  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{n_v, n_v}$  symmetric negative semi-definite that solves

$$A^T X M + M^T X A - M^T X B B^T X M + C C^T + \\ M Y J^T + J Y^T M^T = 0,$$

with constraints  $J X M^T = 0$  and  $M X J^T = 0$ ,  
for a suitable  $Y \in \mathbb{R}^{n_v, n_p}$ .

# Optimal Control of Flows

## Constrained Riccati Equations



At the core we need to solve

$$A^T X M + M^T X A - M^T X B B^T X M + C C^T + \\ M Y J^T + J Y^T M^T = 0,$$

- Nonlinear in  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{n_v, n_v}$ 
  - Newton iterations are well defined
- High dimensional:  $n_v$  is typically large
  - Low-rank ADI iterations are a solution
  - We compute but a skinny factor  $Z \in \mathbb{R}^{n_v, k}$  so that  $ZZ^T \approx -X$

# Optimal Control of Flows

## Efficient Solvers for Constrained Riccati Equations



At the core we need to solve linear systems of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} A - \sigma_i M & J^T \\ J & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_i \\ * \end{bmatrix} = r.h.s.$$

for column blocks  $z_i$  of the factor  $Z$ .

This, we can do efficiently by means of

- Optimized ADI parameters  $\sigma_i \in \mathbb{C}_-$  (the shifts)
- Update formulas for the residuals
- Performant block preconditioners for shifted saddle point problems in flow simulations

# Related Work



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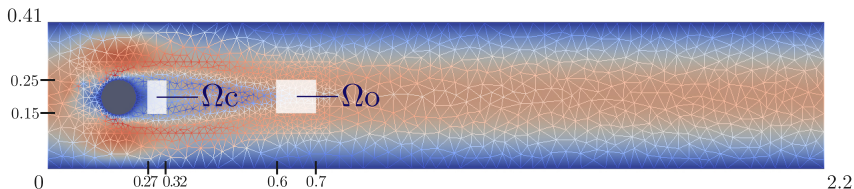
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# Application Example

## Simulation Setup



- 2D cylinder wake
- Navier-Stokes Equations
- $Re = 200$
- *Taylor-Hood* finite elements in FEniCS
- 20000 velocity nodes
- Distributed control and observation with 6 degrees of freedom each
- LQGBT-reduced order observer and controller of state dimension  $n_k = 27$
- Target: stabilization of the steady-state solution





# Application Example

## Simulation Results

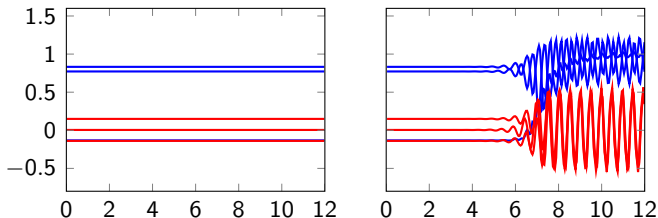
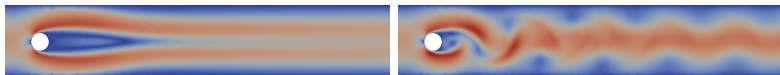


Figure : Measured output  $y$  versus time  $t \in [0, 12]$  of the closed loop system (left), compared to the response of the uncontrolled system (right).

Below, a snapshot of the magnitude of the velocity solutions at  $t = 12$ .





# Time-varying Dirichlet BC

## The Basic Assumption

We consider model equations for approximations  $v$  and  $p$  to the velocity and pressure of a flow

$$\begin{aligned} M\dot{v} - Av - J^T p &= Bu, \\ Jv &= 0, \\ y &= Cv, \end{aligned}$$

- $M, A, J \dots$  coefficient matrices
- $B, C \dots$  input and output operators

And remark that

- for boundary control, the appearance of the input as  $Bu$  in the dynamical part is by no means immediate



# Time-varying Dirichlet BC

## Definition of $B$

The input operator is defined by the incorporation of the time dependent Dirichlet boundary conditions in the spatial discretization.

Consider the convection diffusion equation:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{v}(t) + \beta \cdot \nabla v(t) - \Delta v(t) &= 0, \\ v|_{\Gamma}(t) &= u(t),\end{aligned}$$

for a scalar quantity  $v$  with a wind  $\beta$  in the domain  $\Omega$ .

Here,  $u$  is the function that prescribes the values of  $v$  at the boundary  $\Gamma$ .



# Time-varying Dirichlet BC

## Direct Assignment

Take a standard FE space with a nodal basis and decompose it into subspaces

$$V = V_I \oplus V_\Gamma = \text{span}\{\phi_I^k\}_{k=1}^{n_I} \oplus \text{span}\{\phi_\Gamma^k\}_{k=1}^{n_\Gamma}$$

of inner and boundary nodes. Then, for the ansatz

$$v(t) = \sum_{k=1, \dots, n_I} v_I^k(t) \phi_I^k + \sum_{k=1, \dots, n_\Gamma} v_\Gamma^k(t) \phi_\Gamma^k \leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} v_I \\ v_\Gamma \end{bmatrix} (t)$$

and having tested the equations against  $\phi \in V_I$ , we obtain

$$\begin{bmatrix} M_{II} & M_{I\Gamma} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{v}_I \\ \dot{v}_\Gamma \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{II} & A_{I\Gamma} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_I \\ v_\Gamma \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_\Gamma = u$$



# Time-varying Dirichlet BC

## Direct Assignment and Alternatives

$$\begin{bmatrix} M_{II} & M_{I\Gamma} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{v}_I \\ \dot{v}_\Gamma \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{II} & A_{I\Gamma} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_I \\ v_\Gamma \end{bmatrix}$$
$$v_\Gamma = u$$

A direct elimination of the boundary nodes, thus, leads to

$$M_{II} \dot{v}_I = A_{II} v_I + A_{I\Gamma} u - M_{I\Gamma} \dot{u}$$

which is not like  $M\dot{v} = Av + Bu$ .

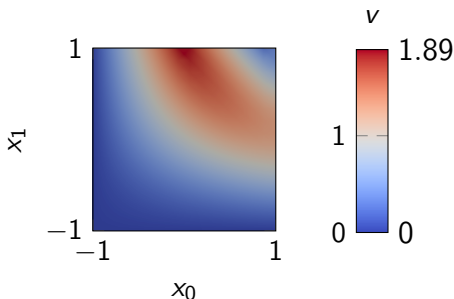
Possible bypasses:

- lift – lifting of the boundary conditions
- proj – incorporation via Lagrange multiplier and projections
- pero – relaxation via approximating Robin conditions



# Time-varying Dirichlet BC

## Convection-Diffusion Example



- 2D convection-diffusion, no source term
- Dirichlet condition at upper boarder

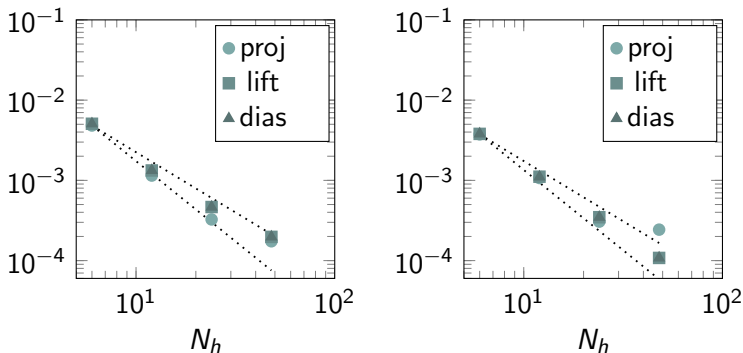
$$v|_{\Gamma_0} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \sin(\pi x_0 + \frac{\pi}{2}) + 1 \right) \left( \cos(t + \pi) + 1 \right)$$

- FE discretization using FEniCS on a uniform triangulation



# Time-varying Dirichlet BC

## Convergence for Boundary Forcing

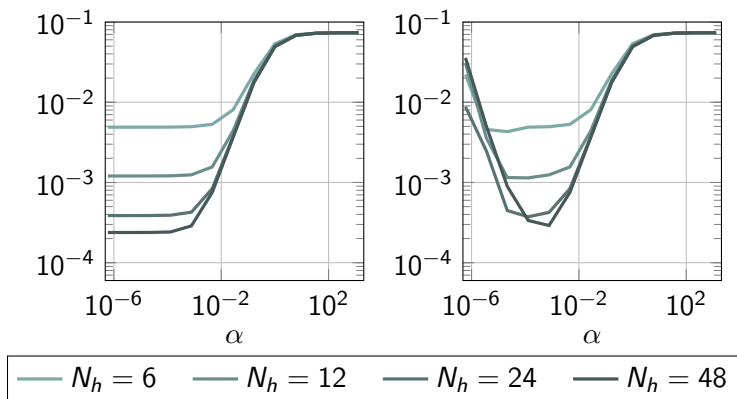


**Figure :** Discrete  $L^2$ -time-space error for varying space discretizations  $N_h$ , for a fixed time discretization and for linear (left) and quadratic (right) shape functions. The dotted lines indicate the slope of a convergence of order 2 or 1.5.



# Time-varying Dirichlet BC

## Performance of Penalization Schemes



**Figure :** Discrete  $L^2$ -time-space error for the Robin relaxation versus the penalization parameter  $\alpha$  error for varying space discretizations  $N_h$  for direct solves (left) and for iterative solves (right) up to a certain tolerance of the algebraic equations.





# Summary and Conclusion

- Efficient solution of large scale constrained Riccati equations
  - General tool for control of flows
- This is a system-theoretical approach
  - Requires a control of distributed type
  - ✗ which is not immediate for Dirichlet boundary control
- There are various numerical approaches for time-dependent Dirichlet conditions
  - ✗ Implementation differs from methods for steady state problems
  - ✗ Penalization methods come with extra restrictions on accuracy

Thank you for your attention!

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# Numerical Example

## Convergence with Manufactured Solution

| $N_h \setminus N_\tau$ | 30     | 60     | 120    |        |
|------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 6                      | 1.0000 | 0.9991 | 0.9989 |        |
| 12                     | 0.2425 | 0.2420 | 0.2418 |        |
| 24                     | 0.0610 | 0.0605 | 0.0604 |        |
| 48                     | 0.0159 | 0.0153 | 0.0151 |        |
| $N_h \setminus N_\tau$ | 60     | 120    | 240    | 480    |
| 6                      | 0.9983 | 0.9979 | 0.9978 | 0.9978 |
| 12                     | 0.1127 | 0.1123 | 0.1123 | 0.1123 |
| 24                     | 0.0149 | 0.0128 | 0.0127 | 0.0126 |
| 48                     | 0.0079 | 0.0024 | 0.0016 | 0.0015 |

**Table :** The normalized approximation error for a convection-diffusion problem with a known solution for varying space  $N_h$  and time discretizations  $N_\tau$  and for ansatz and test functions of polynomial degree 1 and 2.