

Sensitivity Calculations for fun and profit

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What the ??

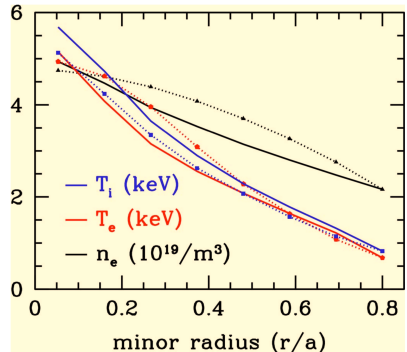
What are they?

Derivatives of functionals of our system,
 with respect to input parameters.
 Paradigmatically,

$$\frac{\partial Q_i}{\partial (R/L_{Ti})} \quad (1)$$

Uses

- Stiffness
- Implicit Transport Algorithms (TRINITY)
- Dynamical Reduction
- Uncertainty Quantification
- Gradient-Driven optimization



Adjoint Methods for Sensitivity Calculations

- If your forward system is $F(g; m) = 0$
- Your functional is $Q[g, m]$, then

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial m} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial g} \frac{\partial g}{\partial m} + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial m} = \left\langle \frac{\partial Q}{\partial g}, \frac{\partial g}{\partial m} \right\rangle + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial m} \quad (2)$$

- $\frac{\partial g}{\partial m}$ satisfies

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial g} \frac{\partial g}{\partial m} = - \frac{\partial F}{\partial m} \quad (3)$$

- Use inner product structure

$$\left\langle \lambda, \frac{\partial F}{\partial g} \frac{\partial g}{\partial m} \right\rangle = - \left\langle \lambda, \frac{\partial F}{\partial m} \right\rangle \quad \text{implies} \quad \left\langle \frac{\partial F^\dagger}{\partial g} \lambda, \frac{\partial g}{\partial m} \right\rangle = - \left\langle \lambda, \frac{\partial F}{\partial m} \right\rangle \quad (4)$$

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$$\text{Hence, if } \frac{\partial F^\dagger}{\partial g} \lambda = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial g} \quad \text{Then} \quad \frac{\partial Q}{\partial m} = - \left\langle \lambda, \frac{\partial F}{\partial m} \right\rangle + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial m} \quad (5)$$

Adjoint Methods for Sensitivity Calculations II

Direct Methods

- Just make a two-point approximation.

OR

- Differentiate with respect to parameter, solve tangent equations.

Scales linearly with number of parameters to vary.

Adjoint Methods

- Solve adjoint state equation (backwards in time, around reference value)
- Take inner product of adjoint solution to get needed derivatives.

Scales linearly with number of functionals to differentiate.

The Gyrokinetic System

- Use $g_s = h_s - \frac{Z_s e}{T_s} \langle \delta \varphi \rangle_{\mathbf{R}} F_s$ to isolate the time derivative,
- Then the Gyrokinetic system is given by

$$\frac{\partial g_s}{\partial t} = (\mathbb{L}g)_s + (C_{\text{GK}}g)_s - \frac{c}{B} \mathbf{b} \times \frac{\partial \langle \delta \varphi \rangle_{\mathbf{R}}}{\partial \mathbf{R}_s} \cdot \frac{\partial g_s}{\partial \mathbf{R}_s}. \quad (6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbb{L}g)_s = & - (v_{\parallel} \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{v}_{\text{Ds}}) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{R}_s} \left(g_s + \frac{Z_s e}{T_s} \langle \delta \varphi [g] \rangle_{\mathbf{R}} F_{0s} \right) \\ & - \frac{c}{B} \frac{\partial F_{0s}}{\partial \psi} \mathbf{b} \times \frac{\partial \langle \delta \varphi [g] \rangle_{\mathbf{R}}}{\partial \mathbf{R}_s} \cdot \nabla \psi. \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

- With

$$\delta \varphi = \left[\sum_s \frac{Z_s^2 e^2 n_s}{T_s} (1 - \Gamma_{0s}) \right]^{-1} \sum_s Z_s e \int d^3 \mathbf{w} \langle g_s \rangle_{\mathbf{r}}, \quad (8)$$

Free Energy as an Inner Product

- This conserves

$$W[g] = \sum_s \left\langle \left\langle \int d^3 \mathbf{w} \frac{T_s g_s^2}{2F_{0s}} \right\rangle_{\perp} \right\rangle_{\psi} + \frac{1}{2} \langle \langle \delta \varphi[g] \Phi \delta \varphi[g] \rangle_{\perp} \rangle_{\psi}, \quad (9)$$

- We use this as a norm, and can show that it has a consistent inner product given by

$$\langle g^{(1)}, g^{(2)} \rangle = \sum_s \left\langle \left\langle \int d^3 \mathbf{w} \frac{T_s g_s^{(1)} g_s^{(2)}}{2F_s} + \frac{1}{2} \delta \varphi[g^{(1)}] \Phi \delta \varphi[g^{(2)}] \right\rangle_{\perp} \right\rangle_{\psi}, \quad (10)$$

- This is consistent in that $W = \|g\|^2 = \langle g, g \rangle$.
- This is a good norm for subcritical studies, but we also need a time average. Thus we use

$$\langle g^{(1)}, g^{(2)} \rangle_T = \sum_s \left\langle \left\langle \int d^3 \mathbf{w} \frac{T_s g_s^{(1)} g_s^{(2)}}{2F_s} + \frac{1}{2} \delta \varphi[g^{(1)}] \Phi \delta \varphi[g^{(2)}] \right\rangle_{\text{turb}} \right\rangle_{\psi}, \quad (11)$$

The Adjoint Gyrokinetic Operator

We then calculate the adjoint gyrokinetic operator in this norm:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\mathbb{L}^\dagger g)_s = & (\mathbf{v}_\parallel \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{v}_{Ds}) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{R}_s} \left(g_s + \frac{Z_s e}{T_s} \langle \delta \varphi [g] \rangle_{\mathbf{R}} F_{0s} \right) \\
 & - \frac{Z_s e}{T_s} F_{0s} \mathbf{b} \times \frac{\partial \langle \zeta [g] \rangle_{\mathbf{R}}}{\partial \mathbf{R}_s} \cdot \nabla \psi.
 \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

The adjoint source field ζ is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 \zeta[g] = & \left(\sum_s \frac{Z_s^2 e^2 n_s}{T_s} \right)^{-1} \frac{c}{B} \left\{ \sum_s \left(\int d^3 \mathbf{w} T_s g_s + Z_s e n_s \Gamma_{0s} \delta \varphi [g] \right) \frac{d \ln N_s}{d \psi} \right. \\
 & \left. + \sum_s \left[\int d^3 \mathbf{w} T_s \left(\frac{\varepsilon_s}{T_s} - \frac{3}{2} \right) g_s + Z_s e n_s \Gamma_{1s} \delta \varphi [g] \right] \frac{d \ln T_s}{d \psi} \right\}
 \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

The Adjoint Gyrokinetic State Equation

- Now we know \mathbb{L}^\dagger we can define the adjoint state equation to be

$$\left(-\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \mathbb{L}^\dagger - C_{\text{GK}} + \mathbb{N}[g_0] - \frac{c}{B} \mathbf{b} \times \nabla \langle \delta \varphi [g_0] \rangle_{\mathbf{R}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{R}_s} \right) g^\dagger = S_Q \quad (14)$$

- The source depends on the quantity of interest, and is given by the functional derivative

$$\begin{aligned} S_Q = \frac{\partial Q_i}{\partial g} = & \frac{c}{B} \frac{\partial \langle \delta \varphi [g_0] \rangle_{\mathbf{R}}}{\partial y} \left(\frac{m_i v^2}{2} - \frac{3}{2} T_i \right) F_i \delta(s=i) \\ & + \frac{c}{B} \frac{Z_s e}{\sum_{s'} Z_{s'}^2 e^2 / T_{s'}} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left\langle \int d^3 \mathbf{v} \left(\frac{m_i v^2}{2} - \frac{3}{2} T_i \right) \langle g_{0i} \rangle_{\mathbf{r}} \right\rangle_{\mathbf{R}} \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

- This is formally solved backwards in time with final conditions $g^\dagger(T) = 0$. (see later)
- This equation is derived around a fixed background state g_0 , and gives the derivative at that point.

Expressions for $\partial Q / \partial (\dots)$

- Now we can compute

$$\frac{\partial Q_i}{\partial R/L_{Ti}} = - \left\langle g^\dagger, \frac{c}{B} \delta(s=i) \left(\frac{m_i v^2}{2} - \frac{3 T_i}{2} \right) \frac{\partial \delta \varphi[g_0]}{\partial y} F_i \right\rangle \quad (16)$$

Or **any** other derivative, with appropriate RHS, e.g. in shifted circles,

$$\frac{\partial Q_i}{\partial q} = + \frac{1}{q} \left\langle g^\dagger, v_{\parallel} \nabla_{\parallel} \left(g_{0s} + \frac{Z_s e \delta \varphi[g_0]}{T_s} F_s \right) \right\rangle \quad (17)$$

- As above, we can do this all over again for perturbations around a transport solution
- ...

Obvious Distraction



What I didn't Tell You

Problems

- Adjoint grows without bound
- This is due to the butterfly effect, and interchange of averaging limits in our derivation.

This is why adjoints aren't used in fluid turbulence

Solutions

- Ensemble Adjoint Method – run backwards from noise for intermediate times
- Shadowing trajectories – pick a $g^{\dagger}(T)$ to prevent trajectory flying away
- Variations on the theme – perhaps a mixture of both

May Be Expensive

Summary & Future Developments

- Adjoint Methods may save the day
- But they may be expensive
- Test This!
- ...
- Profit