Blending Isogeometric Analysis and local maximumentropy approximants

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## Outline

 Briefly review of approximants selected by maximum entropy

 Isogeometric analysis and local maximumentropy approximants Briefly review of approximants selected by maximum-entropy approximation schemes

- Inspired in information theory [Sukumar, 2004] [Arroyo, 2006]
- Non-negative basis functions
- Kronecker-delta property at the boundary of the convex hull

0.8

0.6

0.4

0.2

0.2

0.6

0.6

0.41

- Smoothness (continuity)
- Variation diminishing property
- Well-behave mass matrices
- N-dimensional

Approximation of a function

$$u(\boldsymbol{x}) pprox u^h(\boldsymbol{x}) = \sum_{a=1}^N p_a(\boldsymbol{x}) \ u_a$$



where

- The set  $\{u_a\}_{a=1,...,N}$  represents the nodal data at a scattered set of points  $\{x_a\}_{a=1,...,N}$
- The approximants  $p_a(x)$  are regarded as unknowns
- The approximants are required to be non-negative and to satisfy zeroth and first order reproducibility conditions

$$p_a \geq 0 \qquad \qquad \sum_{a=1}^N p_a = 1 \qquad \qquad \sum_{a=1}^N p_a \; oldsymbol{x}_a = oldsymbol{x}$$

Convex optimization problem

For fixed  $\boldsymbol{x}$  minimize  $\sum_{a=1}^{N} \beta_a p_a |\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_a|^2 + \sum_{a=1}^{N} p_a \ln p_a$ subject to  $p_a \ge 0$ ,  $a = 1, \dots, N$  $\sum_{a=1}^{N} p_a = 1$ ,  $\sum_{a=1}^{N} p_a |\boldsymbol{x}_a = \boldsymbol{x}$ 

- This constrained program has a unique solution in the convex hull
- We have to solve the problem for each evaluation point (*x*)
  - Data: nodal coordinates, locality parameters, evaluation points
  - Unknowns: basis functions

 Duality methods provide an almost explicit expression of the basis functions

$$p_a(\boldsymbol{x}) = rac{1}{Z\left(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}^*(\boldsymbol{x})
ight)} \exp\left[-eta_a | \boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_a |^2 + \boldsymbol{\lambda}^*(\boldsymbol{x}) \cdot (\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_a)
ight]$$

where

$$Z(oldsymbol{x},oldsymbol{\lambda}) = \sum_{b=1}^N \expig[-eta_b |oldsymbol{x}-oldsymbol{x}_b|^2 + oldsymbol{\lambda}\cdot(oldsymbol{x}-oldsymbol{x}_b)ig]$$

 A Lagrange multiplier must be computed for each evaluation point. It is the unique solution of the following unconstrained convex optimization problem

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda}^*(\boldsymbol{x}) = \arg\min_{\boldsymbol{\lambda} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \ln Z(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{\lambda})$$
  
d: Spatial dimension

Control of locality (support size)



### • Derivatives can be computed analytically



- Ability to handle non-uniform and unstructured set of points
- LME are very accurate in the calculation of problems involving high order derivatives
- Applications
  - \_ Finite deformations
  - \_ Thin-shell analysis
    - High-order PDEs
    - Linear and nonlinear
  - \_ Variational fracture (phase-field approach)
  - Phase-field modeling of biomembranes
    - High-order PDEs
    - Statics and dynamics

### Non-uniform and unstructured set of points





## Nonlinear elasticity

 Compression of a neo-Hookean hyperelastic block (nominal stretch ratio = 0.5)



## Nonlinear elasticity

 Buckling of a neo-Hookean hyperelastic beam (nominal stretch ratio = 0.35)





[Millan, Rosolen, Arroyo, 2011]

Benchmark tests



### **Pinched cylinder**

[Millan, Rosolen, Arroyo, 2011]

Complex geometry





### [Millan, Rosolen, Arroyo, 2011]







#### [Millan, Rosolen, Arroyo, 2012]



#### [Millan, Rosolen, Arroyo, 2012]

### Variational Fracture (phase-field approach)



[Millan, Arroyo, et al., 2012]

## Phase-field model of biomembranes



#### [Rosolen, Peco, Arroyo, 2012]

## Phase-field model of biomembranes

## **Dynamics**



**Pear-shaped** 



### Discocyte

[Peco, Rosolen, Arroyo, 2012]

## Phase-field model of biomembranes

### **Dynamics**





Dumbell; Pear-shaped

### Stomatocyte

[Peco, Rosolen, Arroyo, 2012]

Isogeometric Analysis and maximum-entropy approximants

- In the last years, the excellent properties of smooth non-negative basis functions have motivated their use in the numerical solution of PDE
- Subdivision finite elements [Cirak et al., 2000]
  - Two dimensional approximants on unstructured grids
- Isogeometric Analysis [Hughes et al., 2005]
- Maximum entropy approximation schemes

## **Isogeometric analysis**

• The same basis functions are used to describe the geometry and to interpolate the physical fields



[Cottrell, CMAME, 2006]

#### [Hughes, CMAME, 2005]

## **Isogeometric analysis**

- Based on NURBS approximation schemes
- Description of the geometry with CAD fidelity
- (semi-)Structured grids
  - Current research in T-Splines
- Handling multiple boundaries requires significant preprocessing and techniques to have globally smooth approximation

## **Isogeometric analysis**



## Intrinsic limitation of meshfree methods

- Solely with points, only polytopes can be represented
- Non high fidelity representation of the geometry



- Limitations of max-ent and B-Splines are complementary
  - Handling of unstructured meshes
  - Description of the geometry with high fidelity
- The convex structure is shared
  - Suggests blending through a convex optimization problem
- Related approch: NEFEM [Sevilla et al., 2010]
  - High fidelity representation of the geometry
  - Coupling between NURBS and high-order FEM-DG
  - Smoothness and positivity of the basis functions is not preserved

• CAD description of the boundary (B-Spline curve)



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- Isoparametric mapping (control points involved shown in green)



- The distribution of the interior points is unstructured
- The basis functions are purely isogeometric for boundary nodes



- Blending scheme: convex optimization problem
  - Imposition of reproducibility conditions
  - The interior basis functions are unknown



• Top view of B-Splines, local maximum-entropy (LME) approximants, and isogeometric/LME basis functions



 3D view of B-Splines, local maximum-entropy (LME) approximants, and isogeometric/LME basis functions





Homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions

- Three holes, prescribed data on the boundaries, non uniform mesh
- Isogeometric requires significant preprocessing, partitioning of the domain in patches, specialized techniques to have global smoothness







- Conclusions
  - We present a method to blend maximum-entropy approximants and B-Splines
  - The proposed method exploits the best features and overcomes the main drawbacks of isogeometric analysis and local maximum approximation schemes
- Open line of research
  - Developments of appropriate tools to facilitate the preprocessing work for 3D problems

## Thank you for your attention