

Multilevel discrete least squares polynomial approximation

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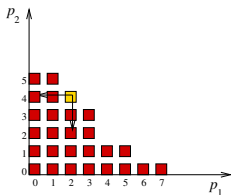
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Polynomial approximation on downward closed sets

Assume $f \in L^2_\mu(\Gamma)$. We seek an approximation of f in a finite dimensional polynomial subspace

$$V_\Lambda = \text{span} \left\{ \prod_{n=1}^N y_n^{p_n}, \quad \text{with } \mathbf{p} = (p_1, \dots, p_N) \in \Lambda \right\}$$

with $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{N}^N$ a downward closed index set.



Definition. An index set Λ is downward closed if

$$\mathbf{p} \in \Lambda \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{q} \leq \mathbf{p} \quad \implies \quad \mathbf{q} \in \Lambda$$

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Optimality of discrete least squares approximation

Theorem [Cohen-Migliorati 2017] [Cohen-Davenport-Leviatan 2013]

For arbitrary $r > 0$ define

$$\kappa_r := \frac{1/2(1 - \log 2)}{1 + r}, \quad K_{\Lambda, w} := \sup_{\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma} \left(w(\mathbf{y}) \sum_{j=1}^{|\Lambda|} \phi_j(\mathbf{y})^2 \right)$$

If $\frac{M}{\log M} \geq \frac{K_{\Lambda, w}}{\kappa_r}$, then

- $P(\|G - I\| \leq \frac{1}{2}) > 1 - 2M^{-r}$
- $\|f - \hat{\Pi}_M f\|_{L_\mu^2} \leq (1 + \sqrt{2}) \inf_{v \in V_\Lambda} \|f - v\|_{L_{\sqrt{w}}^\infty}$ with prob. $> 1 - 2M^{-r}$
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where $\hat{\Pi}_M^c f = \hat{\Pi}_M f \cdot \mathbf{1}_{\{\|G - I\| \leq \frac{1}{2}\}}$ and $C_M = (1 + \frac{4\kappa_r}{\log M}) \xrightarrow{M \rightarrow \infty} 1$

Sufficient number of points for stability

- Uniform measure: $\mu = \mathcal{U}(\prod_{i=1}^N \Gamma_i)$
 [Chkifa-Cohen-Migliorati-N.-Tempone 2015] When sampling from the same distribution ($\nu = \mu$ and $w = 1$) then

$$|\Lambda| \leq K_{\Lambda,1} \leq |\Lambda|^2$$

Hence (unweighted) discrete least square is stable and optimally convergence under the condition

$$\frac{M}{\log M} \geq \frac{|\Lambda|^2}{\kappa_r} \quad (\text{quadratic proportionality})$$

Sufficient number of points for stability - optimal measure

[Cohen-Migliorati 2017] For arbitrary μ , when sampling from the optimal measure

$$\frac{d\nu^*}{d\mu}(\mathbf{y}) = \rho^*(\mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{|\Lambda|} \sum_{j=1}^{|\Lambda|} \phi_j(\mathbf{y})^2, \quad \implies \quad K_{\Lambda, w^*} = 1$$

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Proposition

Let u_n be a finite element approximation of order $r \geq 1$ with maximal element diameter $h = n^{-1}$ and $f_n(\mathbf{y}) = Q(u_n(\mathbf{y}))$.

- If $a \in C^r(D \times \Gamma)$, then

$$\|f - f_n\|_{L^2_\mu(\Gamma)} \lesssim h^{r+1}, \quad \|f - f_n\|_{C^{r-1}(\Gamma)} \lesssim h^2$$

- If $a \in C^{r,s}(D \times \Gamma) = \{v : D \times \Gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : \|\partial_x^{\mathbf{r}} \partial_y^{\mathbf{s}} v\|_{C^0(D \times \Gamma)} < \infty, \forall |\mathbf{r}|_1 \leq r, |\mathbf{s}|_1 \leq s\}$, then

$$\|f - f_n\|_{C^p(\Gamma)} \lesssim h^{r+1}, \quad \forall p = 0, \dots, s.$$

ML least squares complexity – mixed regularity

Consider the coefficient

$$a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = 1 + \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^r + \|\mathbf{y}\|_2^s \in C^{r-1,1}(D) \otimes C^{s-1,1}(\Gamma)$$

- smoother space: $F = C^{s-1,1}(\Gamma)$
- Spatial approximation: continuous finite elements of degree r
 - error: $\|f - f_n\|_{L^2_\mu} = O(n^{-(r+1)}) = \|f - f_n\|_{C^{s-1,1}} \implies \beta_w = \beta_s = r + 1$
 - cost: $\text{Work}(f_n) = n^d$ with optimal solver $\implies \gamma = d$
- Polynomial approximation: $V_{\Lambda_m} = \mathbb{P}_m =$ polynomial space of total degree m
 - error: $\|f - \Pi_{\mathbb{P}_m} f\|_{L^\infty} = O(m^{-s}), \implies \alpha_p = s$
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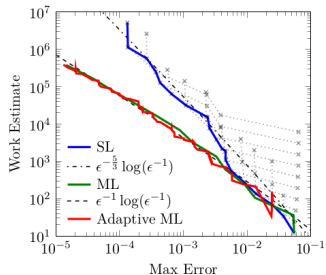
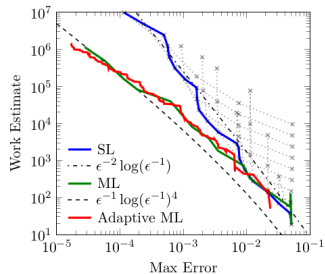
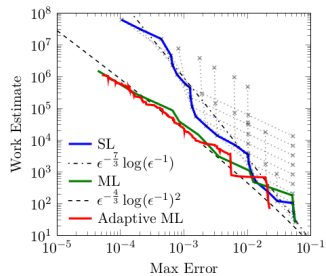
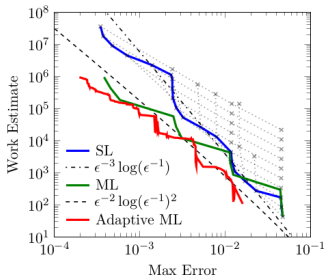
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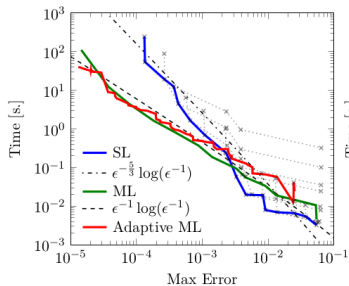
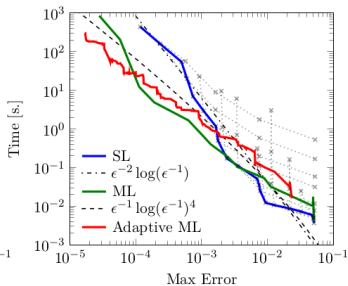
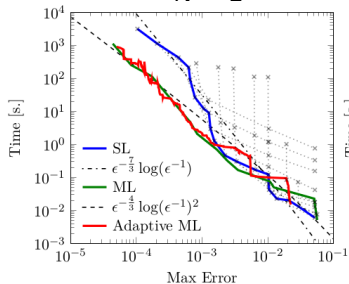
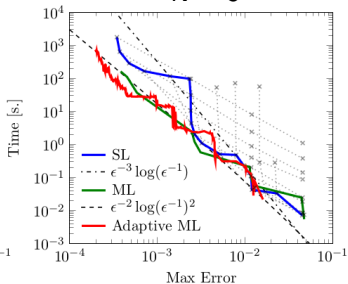
- Complexity of **Multi Level**

$$\text{Work}_{ML} = \mathcal{O}\left(\epsilon^{-\max\left\{\frac{d}{r+1}, \frac{N}{s}\right\}} (\log \epsilon^{-1})^t\right)$$

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