Model Order Reduction for Complex Ocular Simulations Inside the Human Eyeball

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- Need to understand ocular physiology and pathology,
- Heat transfer has an impact on the distribution of drugs in the eye ^a,
- Complexity to perform measurements on a human subject ^b, only on surface ^c.

^aBhandari et al., J. Control Release (2020) ^bRosenbluth et al., Exp. Eye Res. (1977) ^cPurslow et al., Eye Contact Lens (2005)

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Model complexity

- Monophysics-Multiphysics problem
- Numerous parameters and scarce experimental data
- Influence of multiple risk factors or a combination of them









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Geometrical model¹



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Biophysical model²

$$\rho_i C_{p,i} \frac{\partial T_i}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (k_i \nabla T_i) = 0 \quad \text{over } \Omega_i$$

where :

- *i* is the region index (Cornea, Aqueous Humor, Vitreous Humor, Sclera, Iris, Lens, Choroid, Lamina, Retine, Optic Nerve),
- \succ T_i [K] is the temperature in the volume *i*,
- t [s] is the time,
- ▶ k_i [W m⁻¹ K^{-1}] is the thermal conductivity, ρ_i [kg m⁻³] is the density and $C_{p,i}$ [J kg⁻¹ K^{-1}] is the specific heat.

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Figure 1: Description of the boundary and interface conditions of the domain

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Biophysical model

Robin condition on
$$\Gamma_N$$
: $-k \frac{\partial T}{\partial n} = h_{\rm bl}(T - T_{\rm bl})$



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Biophysical model

Linearized Neumann condition^a on Γ_N : $-k_i \frac{\partial T_i}{\partial n} = h_{amb}(T_i - T_{amb}) + h_r(T_i - T_{amb}) + E$



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Parameter dependant model

Symbol	Name	Dimension	baseline value
T_{amb}	Ambient temperature	[K]	298
${\mathcal T}_{bl}$	Blood temperature	[K]	310
$h_{ m amb}$	Ambiant air convection coefficient	$[W m^{-2} K^{-1}]$	10
$h_{ m bl}$	Blood convection coefficient	$[W m^{-2} K^{-1}]$	65
E	Evaporation rate	$[W m^{-2}]$	40
k_{lens}	Lens conductivity	$[{\sf W}{\sf m}^{-1}{\sf K}^{-1}]$	0.4
$k_{ m cornea}$	Cornea conductivity	$[{ m W}{ m m}^{-1}{ m K}^{-1}]$	0.58
$k_{ m sclera}$	Sclera conductivity	$[{ m W}{ m m}^{-1}{ m K}^{-1}]$	1.0042
k _{AqueousHumor}	Aqueous humor conductivity	$[W m^{-1} K^{-1}]$	0.28
$k_{\rm VitreousHumor}$	Vitreous humor conductivity	$[W m^{-1} K^{-1}]$	0.603
ε	Emissivity of the cornea	[-]	0.975

Table 1: Parameters involved in the model

Geometrical parameters may be involved, but we will not consider them in this work.

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Present work : focus on parameteric analysis

Parameter	Minimal value	Maximal value	Baseline value	Dimension
$T_{ m amb}$	283.15	303.15	298	[K]
Т _ы	308.3	312	310	[K]
$h_{ m amb}$	8	100	10	$[W m^{-2} K^{-1}]$
h _{bl}	50	110	65	$[W m^{-2} K^{-1}]$
E	20	320	40	$[W m^{-2}]$
k_{lens}	0.21	0.544	0.4	$[W m^{-1} K^{-1}]$

Table 2: Range of values for the parameters

▶ We set
$$\mu = (T_{amb}, T_{bl}, h_{amb}, h_{bl}, E, k_{lens}) \in D^{\mu} \subset \mathbb{R}^{6}$$
.

• $\bar{\mu} \in D^{\mu}$ is the baseline value of the parameters.

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Methods



High fidelity resolution

- Standard Galerkin continuous finite element method, P₁ and P₂ piecewise polynomials,
- Mesh caracteristics :

h	$nDof\;\mathbb{P}_1$	$\textbf{nDof} \ \mathbb{P}_2$
0.47	$2.08\cdot 10^5$	$1.58\cdot 10^{6}$

Usage of the open-source library Feel++³ to run simulations

³Christophe Prud'homme et al. *feelpp/feelpp: Feel++ V110.2 Released*. Version v0.110.2. Nov. 2022, source code : github.com/feelpp/feelpp.



Model Order Reduction

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 $A(\mu)u(\mu) = F(\mu)$ Snapshots $\mathcal{T}^{\text{fem}}(\mu_i)$ $\mathcal{M} = \{ T^{\text{fem}}(\mu) \, | \, \mu \in D^{\mu} \}$ FE Space V_h

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Model Order Reduction

To compute the reduced basis, we take *snapshots* for different μ -values μ_1, \dots, μ_N , and define the matrix :

$$\mathbb{Z}_{N} = [\xi_{1}, \cdots, \xi_{N}] \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{N} \times N}$$

where $\xi_i = u(\mu_i)$, is orthonormalized. • Then, $u(\mu) \approx \sum_{i=1}^{N} \underline{u}_{N,i}(\mu)\xi_i = \mathbb{Z}_N \underline{u}_N$, so the reduced problem is :

$$\underbrace{\mathbb{Z}_{N\underline{\underline{A}}}^{T}\underline{\underline{A}}(\mu)\mathbb{Z}_{N}}_{:=\underline{\underline{A}_{N}}(\mu)\in\mathbb{R}^{N\times N}} \underline{\underline{u}}_{N}(\mu) = \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}_{N}^{T}\underline{\underline{F}}(\mu)}_{:=\underline{\underline{F}}_{N}(\mu)\in\mathbb{R}^{N}}$$
$$s_{N}(\mu) = \underbrace{\underline{L}_{N}^{T}(\mu)\mathbb{Z}_{N}}_{:=\underline{\underline{L}}_{N}^{T}(\mu)\in\mathbb{R}^{N}} \underline{\underline{u}}_{N}$$

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Offline / Online decomposition

Offline stage

• We want to write
$$\underline{\underline{A}}(\mu) \approx \sum_{q=1}^{Q_a} \theta_A^q(\mu) \underline{\underline{A}}^q$$
,
and $\underline{\underline{F}}(\mu) \approx \sum_{q=1}^{Q_f} \theta_F^q(\mu) \underline{\underline{F}}^q$.
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Online stage

 Independent of finite element dimension,

$$\begin{split} \bullet \ \underline{\underline{A}}_{N}(\mu) &= \sum_{q=1}^{Q_{a}} \theta_{A}^{q}(\mu) \underline{\underline{A}}_{N}^{q} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N} \\ \bullet \ \underline{\underline{F}}_{N}(\mu) &= \sum_{q=1}^{Q_{f}} \theta_{F}^{q}(\mu) \underline{\underline{F}}_{N}^{q} \in \mathbb{R}^{N} \end{split}$$

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Time of execution

Using the parameter $\mu = \bar{\mu}$ (baseline values) :

	\mathbb{P}_1	\mathbb{P}_2	Online
\mathcal{N}	207 845	1 580 932	N = 10
$t_{ m exec}$	21.221s	123.92s	0.14 s
relative time	5.84	1	885.1

In the following, \mathbb{P}_2 discretization is used for high fidelity resolution.

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Comparaison with previous numerical studies



[Sco88] : J.A. Scott. "A finite element model of heat transport in the human eye". In:

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Figure 2: Temperature over an horizontal line

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Comparison with experimental values



Figure 3: Temperature over the GCC

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Verification of reduced model, maximal difference : 0.0024 K



Figure 4: FEM vs RBM output, tested with 100 parameters

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Sensitivity analysis



Outputs of interest



Figure 5: Featured geometrical locations for the outputs of interest (temperature)

Deterministic sensitivity analysis

- ▶ We choose one parameter among the 6 parameters of the model,
- We fix the other ones to their baseline value,
- We make the selected parameter vary to study the impact of this single parameter on the output of the model.



Deterministic sensitivity analysis



Figure 6: Effect of h_{amb} at point O

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0.3 0.4

(d) k_{lens}

k.... (Wm⁻¹K⁻¹)



Figure 6: Point O (Feel++ model, [Ng 06], [Sco88], [Li+10])

(e) T_{amb}

10 20 T_{amb} (°C) 30

37 38

T₁₄ (°C)

(f) $T_{\rm bl}$

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Sobol indices

▶
$$\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n) \in D^\mu$$
,

• $\mu_i \sim X_i$ where $(X_i)_i$ is a familly of *independent* random variables,

• Output
$$s_N(\mu) \sim Y = f(X_1, \ldots, X_n)$$
,

Distributions selected from data available in the literature.

Sobol indices

$$S_{j} = \frac{\operatorname{Var}\left(\mathbb{E}\left[Y|X_{j}\right]\right)}{\operatorname{Var}(Y)}$$
(6.1)

► Total-order indices:

$$S_{j}^{\text{tot}} = \frac{\text{Var}\left(\mathbb{E}\left[Y|X_{(-j)}\right]\right)}{\text{Var}(Y)}$$
where $X_{(-j)} = (X_{1}, \dots, X_{j-1}, X_{j+1}, \dots, X_{n}).$

(6.2)





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Figure 7: Sobol indices for the SSA : temperature at point O

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Figure 7: Temperature at point G

Conclusion and outlooks

Heat transport model in the human eye : FEM simulations, validation against experimental data, and model order reduction,

Sensitivity analysis :

- **Deterministic** approach : literature comparaison, confirm significant impact of E, h_{amb} , T_{amb} on T_O
- **Stochastic** approach : computation of Sobol indices thanks to MOR, highlight of the impact of T_{amb} and h_{amb} on T_O . k_{lens} has not impact on any output an can be removed from the parameteric model.

Conclusion and outlooks

Next steps :

- Derive *a posteriori* error estimator for the reduced model in the case of the 4th order polynomial nonlinearity,
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Thanks for your attention !

Parameter dependant model

Values of the parameters from the litterature :

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Linearization



How to choose the snapshots ?

Residual error

Let $\mu \in D^{\mu}$. We set $u(\mu)$ the FEM solution, and $u_N(\mu)$ the reduced solution. We define the residual error as $e(\mu) = u(\mu) - u_N(\mu)$ that satisfies

 $(e(\mu), v)_V = f(v) - a(u_N(\mu), v; \mu) \qquad \forall v \in V$

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$$\widehat{e}(\mu) = \sum_{p} \theta_{F}^{p}(\mu) \mathcal{S}^{p} + \sum_{q} \sum_{n} \theta_{A}^{q}(\mu) u_{N}^{n}(\mu) \mathcal{L}^{n,q}$$
(8.1)

with :

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{S}^{p}, \mathbf{v}) &= f^{p}(\mathbf{v}) & \forall \mathbf{v} \in X, \forall p \in \llbracket 1, Q_{F} \rrbracket \\ (\mathcal{L}^{n,q}, \mathbf{v}) &= -a^{q}(\xi^{n}, \mathbf{v}) & \forall \mathbf{v} \in X, \forall n \in \llbracket 1, N \rrbracket, \forall q \in \llbracket 1, Q_{A} \rrbracket \end{aligned}$$

$$(8.2)$$

Norm of the residual error

$$\begin{aligned} \|\widehat{e}(\mu)\|_X^2 &= (\widehat{e}(\mu), \widehat{e}(\mu))_X \\ &= \left(\sum_p \theta_F^p S^p + \sum_q \sum_n \theta_A^q u_N^n \mathcal{L}^{n,q}, \sum_p \theta_F^p S^p + \sum_q \sum_n \theta_A^q u_N^n \mathcal{L}^{n,q}\right)_X \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\widehat{e}(\mu)\|_{X}^{2} &= \sum_{p} \sum_{p'} \theta_{F}^{p} \theta_{F}^{p'} (\mathcal{S}^{p}, \mathcal{S}^{p'})_{X} + 2 \sum_{p} \sum_{q} \sum_{n} \theta_{F}^{p} \theta_{A}^{q} u_{N}^{n} (\mathcal{S}^{p}, \mathcal{L}^{n,q})_{X} \\ &+ \sum_{q} \sum_{n} \sum_{q'} \sum_{n'} \theta_{A}^{q} \theta_{A}^{q'} u_{N}^{n} u_{N}^{n'} (\mathcal{L}^{n',q'}, \mathcal{L}^{n,q})_{X} \end{aligned}$$

Greedy algorithm

Algorithm 1: Greedy algorithm

Input: $\mu_0 \in D^{\mu}$ and $\Xi_{\text{train}} \subset D^{\mu}$ $S \leftarrow [\mu_0]$ while $\Delta_N^{max} > \varepsilon$ do $\downarrow \mu^* \leftarrow \arg \max_{\mu \in \Xi_{\text{train}}} \|\hat{e}(\mu)\|_V^2$ (and $\Delta_N^{\max} \leftarrow \max_{\mu \in \Xi_{\text{train}}} \|\hat{e}(\mu)\|_V^2$) Append μ^* to S $u(\mu^*) \leftarrow \text{FE solution, using } S$ as generating sample $\mathbb{Z}_N \leftarrow \{\xi = u(\mu^*)\} \cup \mathbb{Z}_{N-1}$ end

Output: sample *S*, reduced basis \mathbb{Z}_N

Deterministic sensitivity analysis (more results)



Figure 9: Effect of k_{lens} at point O

Deterministic sensitivity analysis (more results)







(a) *E*

(b) h_{amb}





Figure 9: Point G (Feel++ model, [Ng 06], [Sco88], [Li+10])

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Figure 11: Sobol indices for cornea

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Figure 11: Sobol indices for B1



Figure 11: Sobol indices for C



Figure 11: Sobol indices for D1



Figure 11: Sobol indices for G