Pressurized Water Reactors (PWR)

3-D Neutron Transport Equations:

$$\frac{1}{|v|}\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} + \Omega \cdot \nabla \varphi + \Sigma_t(r,E)\varphi(r,E,\Omega,t)$$
$$= \int_{4\pi} d\Omega' \int_0^\infty dE' \Sigma_s(E' \to E, \Omega' \to \Omega)\varphi(r,E',\Omega',t)$$
$$+ \underline{\frac{\chi(E)}{4\pi}} \int_{4\pi} d\Omega' \int_0^\infty dE' \underline{\nu(E')}\,\underline{\Sigma_f(E')}\varphi(r,E',\Omega',t)$$

Challenges:

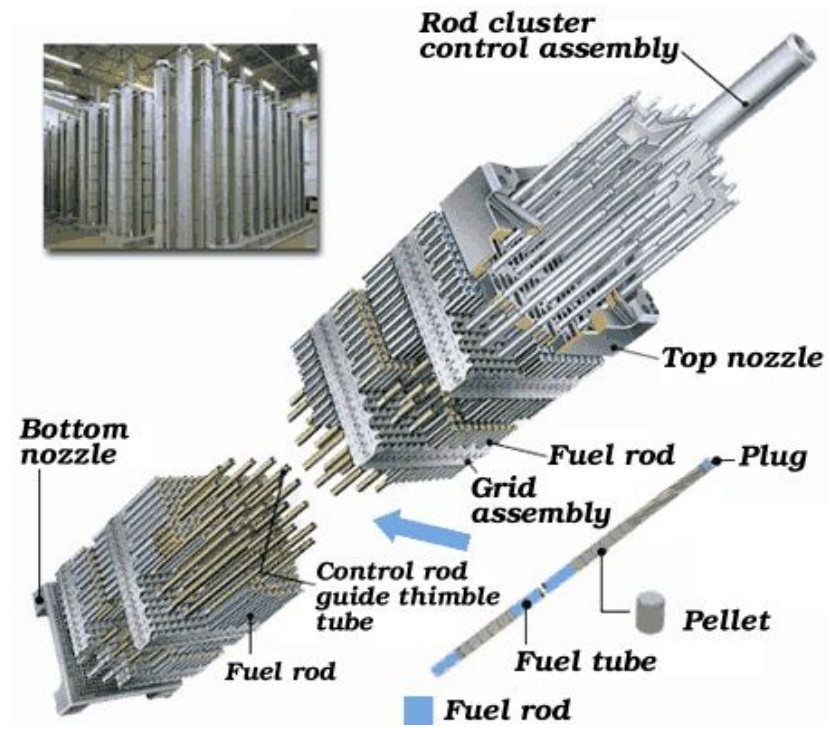
• Linear in the state but function of 7 independent variables:

$$r = x, y, z; E; \Omega = \theta, \phi; t$$

• Very large number of inputs; e.g., 100,000; Active subspace construction is critical.

• ORNL Code SCALE: can take minutes to hours to run.

• SCALE TRITON has adjoint capabilities via TSUNAMI-2D and NEWT.



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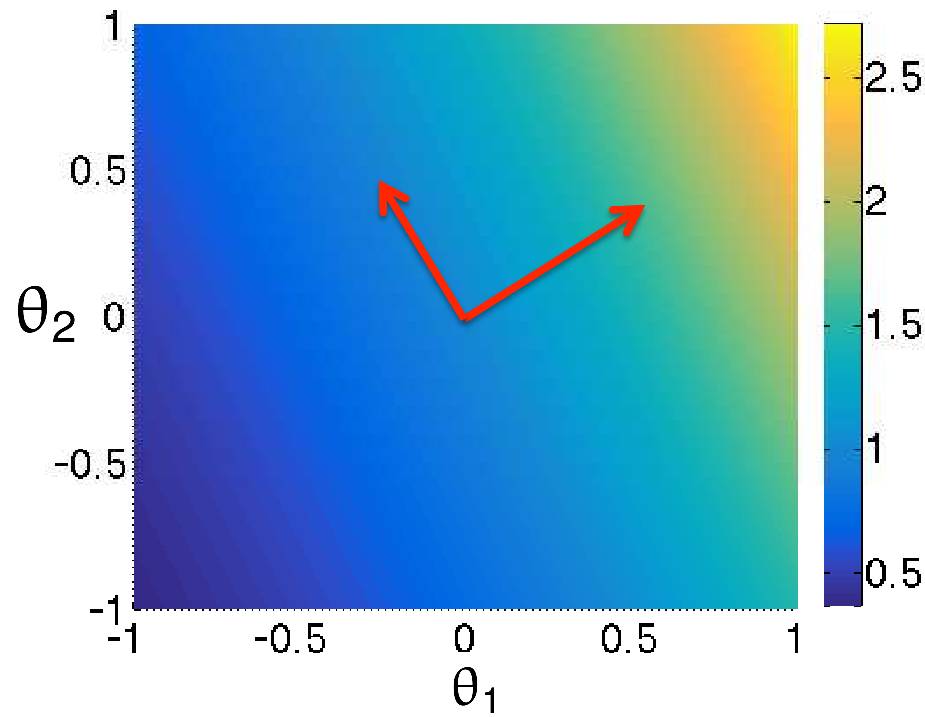

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Active Subspaces

Note: Sensitivity analysis isolate *subsets* of influential parameters but ineffective for *subspaces* that are not aligned with coordinate axes.

Linearly Parameterized Problems: $y = A\theta \quad , \; y \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad , \; \theta \in \mathbb{R}^p \quad , \; A$ is $n \times p$

Example: $y_i = \theta_2 x_i \; , \; i = 1, 2, 3$

$$\theta = [\theta_1, \theta_2]$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & x_1 \\ 0 & x_2 \\ 0 & x_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \theta_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Here

$$NI(\theta) = \mathcal{N}(A) = c \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \; , \; c \in \mathbb{R}$$

Null space of A

$$\mathcal{N}(A) = \{\theta \in \mathbb{R}^p \,|\, A\theta = 0\}$$

$$I(\theta) = \mathcal{R}(A^T) = c \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \; , \; c \in \mathbb{R}$$

Range

$$\mathcal{R}(A^T) = \{b \in \mathbb{R}^p \,|\, b = A^T z \text{ for some } z \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$$

Note: $\mathcal{N}(A^T A) = \mathcal{N}(A) \; , \; \mathcal{R}(A^T A) = \mathcal{R}(A^T)$

Good Reference: Ilse C.F. Ipsen, *Numerical Matrix Analysis*, SIAM, 2009

Active Subspaces

Example: $y = [2 \;\; 1] \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \theta_2 \end{bmatrix}$

Here

$$NI(\theta) = \mathcal{N}(A) = c \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \; c \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$I(\theta) = \mathcal{R}(A^T) = c \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \; c \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Deterministic Algorithms

Linearly Parameterized Problems: $y = A\theta \quad , \; y \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad , \; \theta \in \mathbb{R}^p \quad , \; A$ is $n \times p$

Singular Value Decomposition (SVD):

$$A = U \Sigma V^T \quad , \; \Sigma = [S \quad 0]$$

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \sigma_r & \\ & & & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad , \; \sigma_1 \geqslant \sigma_2 \geqslant \cdots \geqslant \sigma_r \geqslant \varepsilon$$

and

$$U = [U_r \quad U_{n-r}] \; , \; U_r \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times r} \; , \; U_{n-r} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (n-r)}$$

$$V = [V_r \quad V_{p-r}] \; , \; V_r \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times r} \; , \; V_{p-r} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times (p-r)}$$

Rank Revealing QR Decomposition: $A^T P = QR$

Problem: Neither is directly applicable when n or p are very large; e.g., millions.

Solution: Random range finding algorithms.

Random Range Finding Algorithms: Linear Problems

Algorithm: Halko, Martinsson and Tropp, SIAM Review, 2011

1. Choose ℓ random inputs θ^i and compute outputs $y^i = A\theta^i$ which are compiled in the $m \times \ell$ matrix Y.

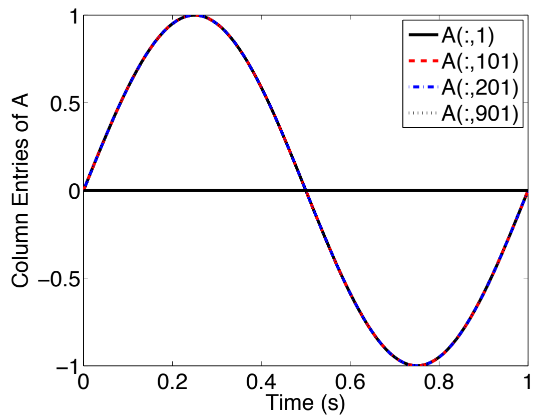
2. Take a pivoted QR factorization $Y = QR$ to construct a matrix Q whose columns form an orthonormal basis for the range of Y.

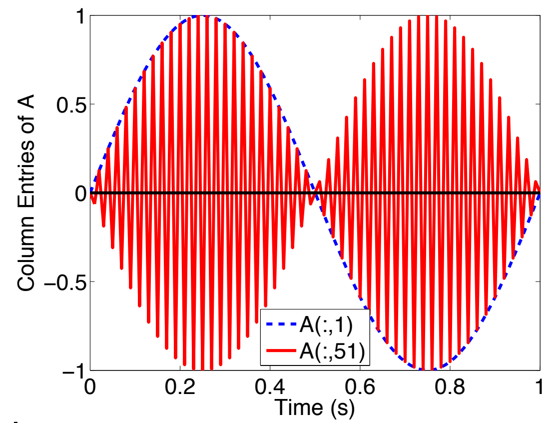
Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sin(2\pi t_1) & \cdots & \sin(2\pi p t_1) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \sin(2\pi t_n) & \cdots & \sin(2\pi p t_n) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \theta_p \end{bmatrix}$$

Random Range Finding Algorithms: Linear Problems

Example: m = 101, p = 1000: Analytic value for rank is 49





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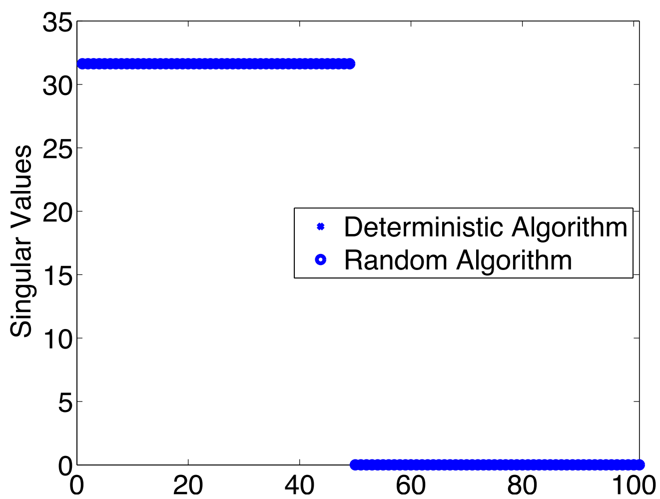
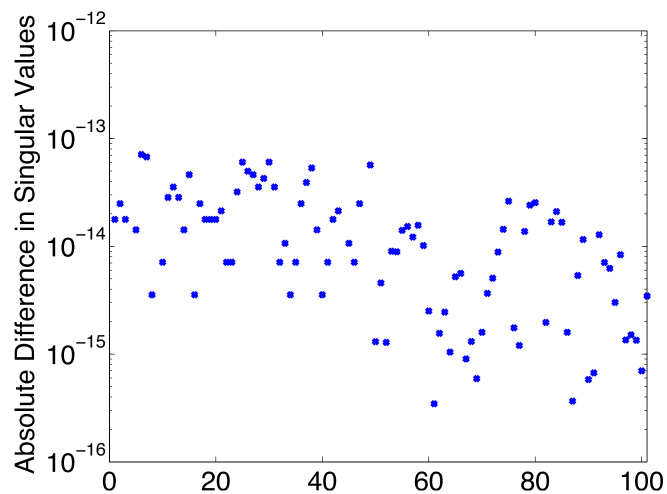


Singular Values



Absolute Difference Between Singular Values

Example: m = 101, p = 1,000,000: Random algorithm still viable

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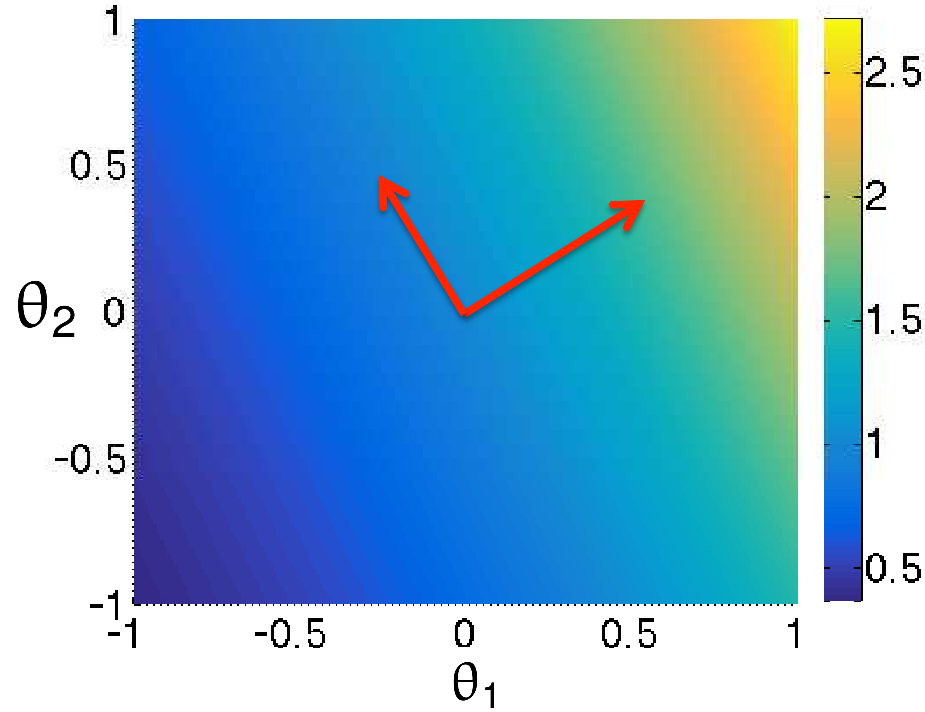

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Gradient-Based Active Subspace Construction

Active Subspace: Consider

$$f = f(\theta) \ , \theta \in \mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^p$$

- E.g., see [Constantine, SIAM, 2015; Stoyanov & Webster, *IJUQ*, 2015]

and

$$\nabla_\theta f(\theta) = \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta_1}, \cdots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta_p}\right]^T$$

Construct outer product

$\rho(\theta)$: Distribution of input parameters θ

$$C = \int (\nabla_\theta f)(\nabla_\theta f)^T \rho d\theta$$

Question: How sensitive are results to distribution, which is typically not known?

Partition eigenvalues: $C = W \Lambda W^T$

$$\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_1 & \\ & \Lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} , \ W = [W_1 \quad W_2]$$

Rotated Coordinates:

$$y = W_1^T \theta \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad \text{and} \quad z = W_2^T \theta \in \mathbb{R}^{p-n}$$

Active Variables

Active Subspace: Range of eigenvectors in W_1

Gradient-Based Active Subspace Construction

Active Subspace: Construction based on random sampling

1. Draw M independent samples $\{\theta^j\}$ from ρ
2. Evaluate $\nabla_\theta f_j = \nabla_\theta f(\theta^j)$
3. Approximate outer product

$$C \approx \widetilde{C} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{j=1}^{M} (\nabla_\theta f_j)(\nabla_\theta f_j)^T$$

Note: $\widetilde{C} = GG^T$ where $G = \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}}[\nabla_\theta f_1, \ldots, \nabla_\theta f_M]$

4. Take SVD of $G = W\sqrt{\Lambda}V^T$
   - Active subspace of dimension n is first n columns of W

One Goal: Develop efficient algorithm for codes that do not have adjoint capabilities

Note: Finite-difference approximations tempting but not effective for high-D

Strategy: Algorithm based on initialized adaptive Morris indices

Gradient-Based Active Subspace Construction

Example: Consider

$$y = e^{c_1\theta_1 + c_2\theta_2} = f(\theta)$$

so

$$\nabla_\theta f(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 e^{c_1\theta_1 + c_2\theta_2} \\ c_2 e^{c_1\theta_1 + c_2\theta_2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 f(\theta) \\ c_2 f(\theta) \end{bmatrix}$$

For $\theta_1, \theta_2 \sim \mathcal{U}(0,1)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} C &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 (\nabla_\theta f)(\nabla_\theta f)^T d\theta_1 d\theta_2 \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \begin{bmatrix} c_1^2 f^2(\theta) & c_1 c_2 f^2(\theta) \\ c_1 c_2 f^2(\theta) & c_2^2 f^2(\theta) \end{bmatrix} d\theta \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} c_1^2 & c_1 c_2 \\ c_1 c_2 & c_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{4 c_1 c_2} \left(e^{2c_1} - 1\right)\left(e^{2c_2} - 1\right) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{c_1}{4c_2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{c_2}{4c_1} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \left(e^{2c_1} - 1\right)\left(e^{2c_2} - 1\right) \end{aligned}$$

Values: $c_1 = 0.7$, $c_2 = 0.3$

Analytic C:

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 1.4652 & 0.6279 \\ 0.6279 & 0.2691 \end{bmatrix}$$

Monte Carlo Approx:

$$C \approx \frac{1}{M} \sum_{j=1}^{M} \left(\nabla_\theta f(\theta^j)\right)\left(\nabla_\theta f(\theta^j)\right)^T$$

$$M = 10^4$$

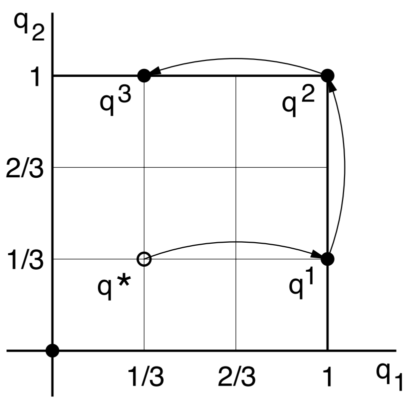
$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 1.4532 & 0.6228 \\ 0.6228 & 0.2669 \end{bmatrix}$$

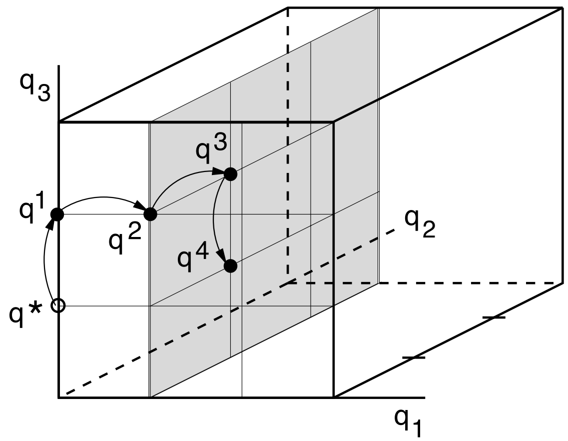
$$M = 10^6$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 1.4654 & 0.6280 \\ 0.6280 & 0.2692 \end{bmatrix}$$

Morris Screening: Random Sampling of Approximated Derivatives

Example: Consider uniformly distributed parameters on $\Gamma = [0,1]^p$





Adaptive Algorithm:

- Use SVD to adapt stepsizes and directions to reflect active subspace.
- Reduce dimension of differencing as active subspace is discovered.

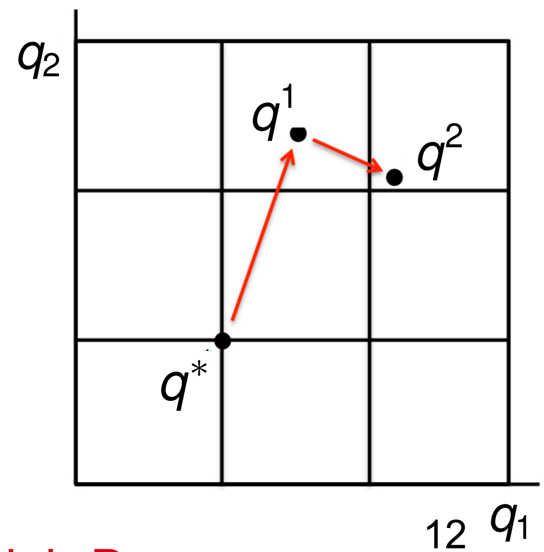
Elementary Effect:

$$d_i^j = \frac{f(\theta^j + \Delta e_i) - f(\theta^j)}{\Delta} \quad , \; i^{th} \text{ parameter} \; , \; j^{th} \text{ sample}$$

Global Sensitivity Measures: r samples

$$\mu_i^* = \frac{1}{r} \sum_{j=1}^{r} |d_i^j(\theta)|$$

$$\sigma_i^2 = \frac{1}{r-1} \sum_{j=1}^{r} \left(d_i^j(\theta) - \mu_i \right)^2 \quad , \quad \mu_i = \frac{1}{r} \sum_{j=1}^{r} d_i^j(\theta)$$



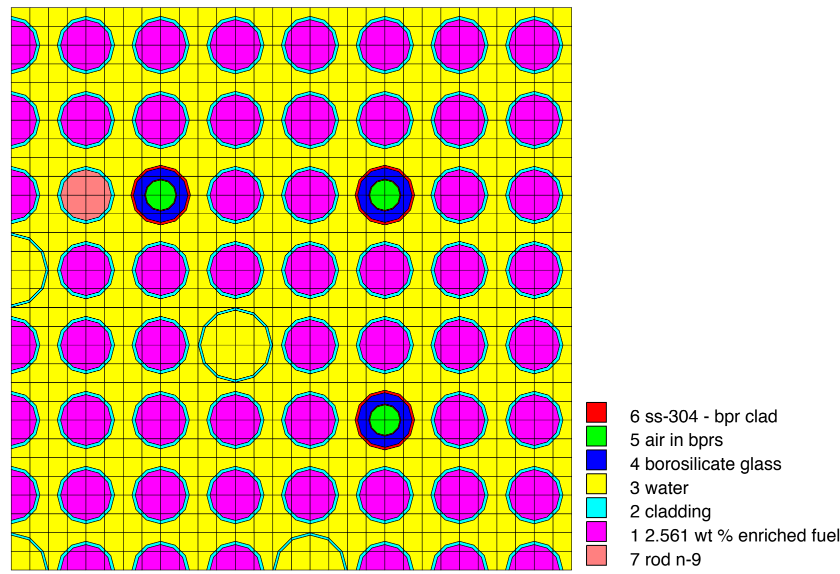
Note: Gets us to moderate-D but initialization required for high-D

SCALE6.1: High-Dimensional Example

Setup: Cross-section computations SCALE6.1

- Input Dimension: 7700
- Output k_{eff}

Materials			Reactions	
$^{234}_{92}\mathrm{U}$	$^{10}_{5}\mathrm{B}$	$^{31}_{15}\mathrm{P}$	Σ_t	$n \to \gamma$
$^{235}_{92}\mathrm{U}$	$^{11}_{5}\mathrm{B}$	$^{55}_{25}\mathrm{Mn}$	Σ_e	$n \to p$
$^{236}_{92}\mathrm{U}$	$^{14}_{7}\mathrm{N}$	$_{26}\mathrm{Fe}$	Σ_f	$n \to d$
$^{238}_{92}\mathrm{U}$	$^{15}_{7}\mathrm{N}$	$^{116}_{50}\mathrm{Sn}$	Σ_c	$n \to t$
$^{1}_{1}\mathrm{H}$	$^{23}_{11}\mathrm{Na}$	$^{120}_{50}\mathrm{Sn}$	$\bar{\nu}$	$n \to {}^{3}\mathrm{He}$
$^{16}_{8}\mathrm{O}$	$^{27}_{13}\mathrm{Al}$	$_{40}\mathrm{Zr}$	χ	$n \to \alpha$
$_{6}\mathrm{C}$	$_{14}\mathrm{Si}$	$_{19}\mathrm{K}$	$n \to n'$	$n \to 2n$



PWR Quarter Fuel Lattice

Note: We cannot efficiently approximate all directional derivatives required to approximate the gradient matrix. Requires efficient initialization algorithm.

SCALE6.1: High-Dimensional Example

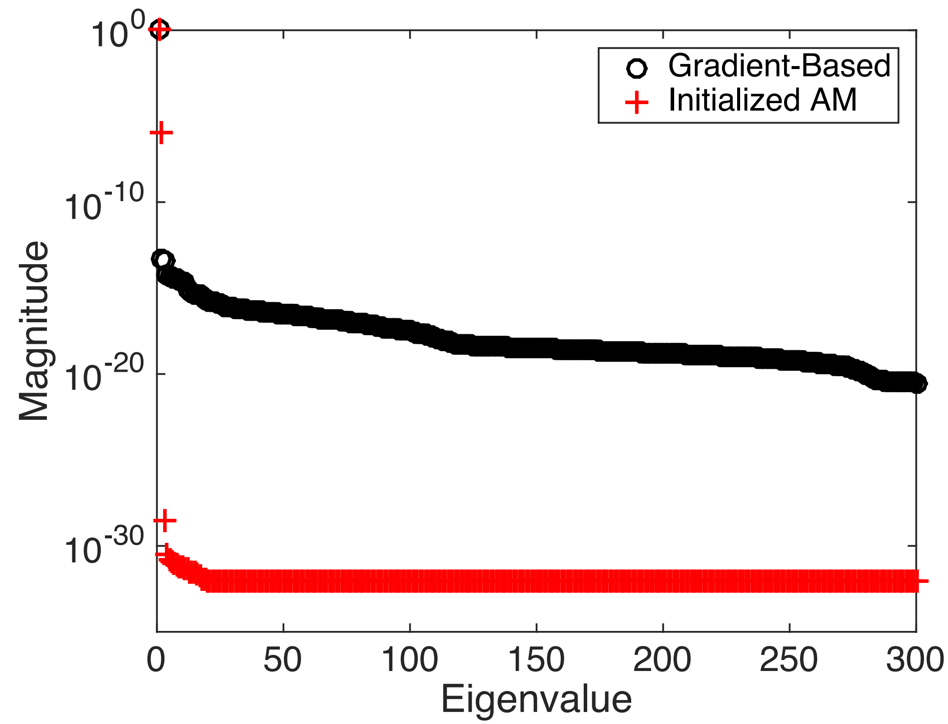
Setup:

- Input Dimension: 7700

SCALE Evaluations:

- Gradient-Based: 1000
- Initialized Adaptive Morris: 18,392
- Projected Finite-Difference: 7,701,000

Note: Analytic eigenvalues: 0, 1



Active Subspace Dimensions:

For surrogate sampled off space

	Gap	PCA				Error Tolerance			
Method		0.75	0.90	0.95	0.99	10^{-3}	10^{-4}	10^{-5}	10^{-6}
Gradient-Based	1	2	6	9	24	1	13	90	233
Initialized AM	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	2	2

Notes: Computing *converged* adjoint solution is expensive and *often not achieved*