

# **A Model Reduction Technique for linear Model Predictive Control for Non-linear Large Scale Distributed Systems**

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# Overview

- Motivation
- Existing technologies
- Our proposed technique
- Case studies
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# Motivation

- **Model Predictive Control (MPC)**
  - Linear MPC is widely used in industries
  - Few nonlinear MPC applications
- **Nonlinear large scale distributed system**
  - Attracting more interest among researchers
  - Few well-established methods available
- **Model reduction techniques**
  - Great potential industrial applications
  - Relatively new

# Existing technologies

- Feedback linearisation
  - Parametric control
- Adaptive control (self-tuning control)
- Artificial neural network
- Non-parametric methods

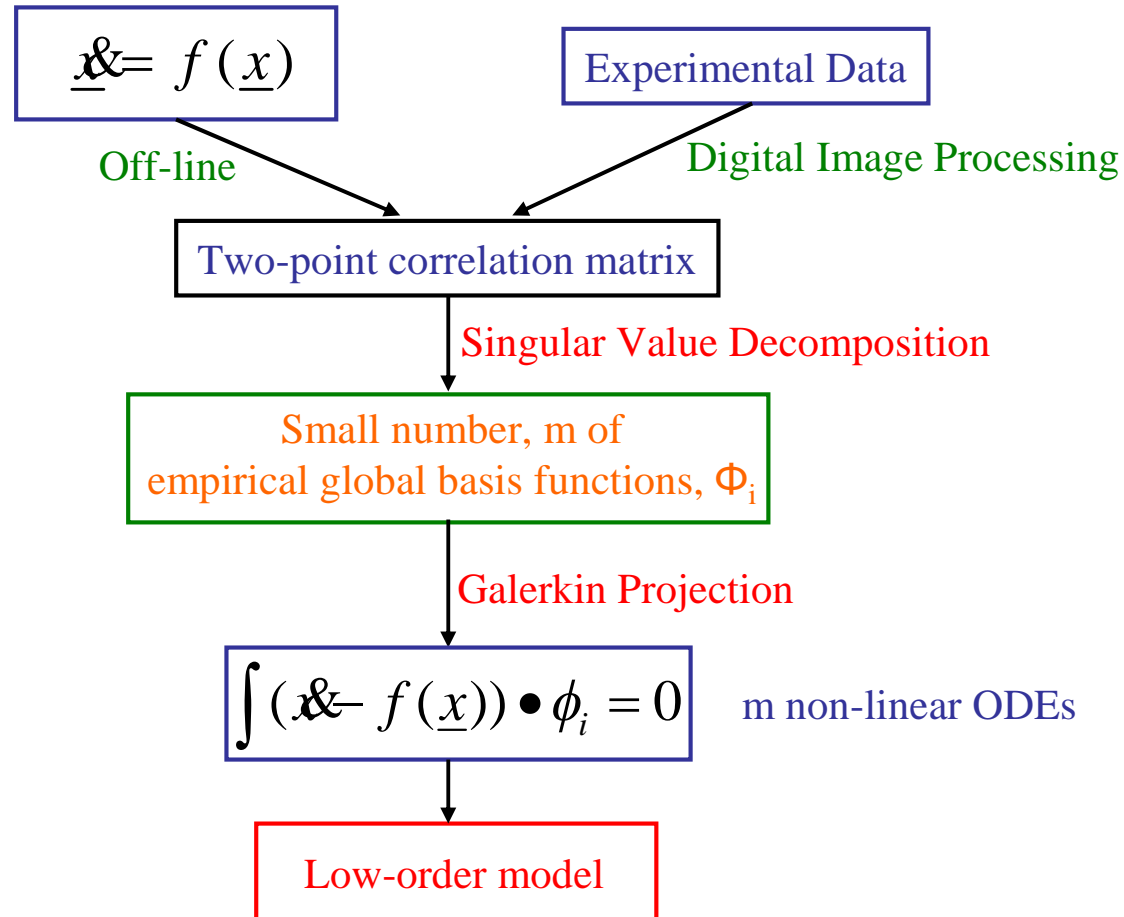
# Our proposed technique

- Aims
  - Applicable to complex dynamic systems
  - Automatic procedure
  - Good approximation of the original full-scale model
  - Explicit parametric dependence
  - High computational efficiency
- Our new method
  - 1<sup>st</sup> step: POD (proper orthogonal decomposition) -based projection
    - onto low-dimensional hyperspace
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> step: TPWL (Trajectory Piece-wise linearisation)
    - on time coefficients
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> step: QP (Quadratic programming) applied to obtain control law

# Model reduction

## Proper Orthogonal Decomposition (POD)

Detailed dynamic model (N equations)



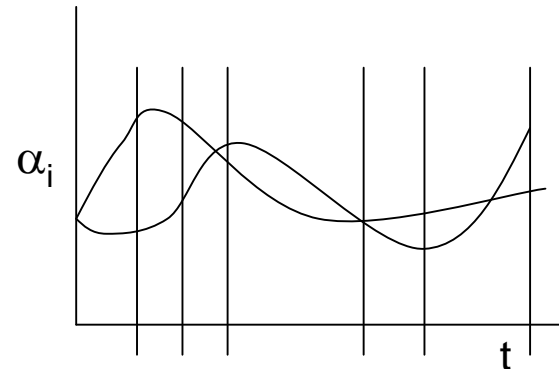
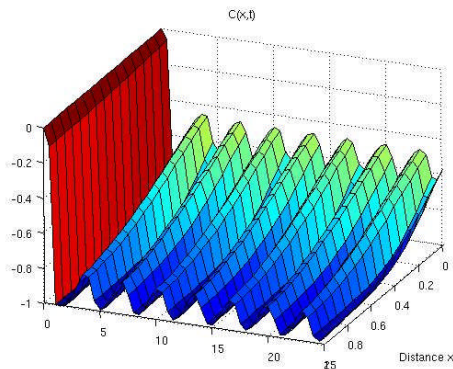
# Linearisation of POD-based constraints for MPC

- Reduced model

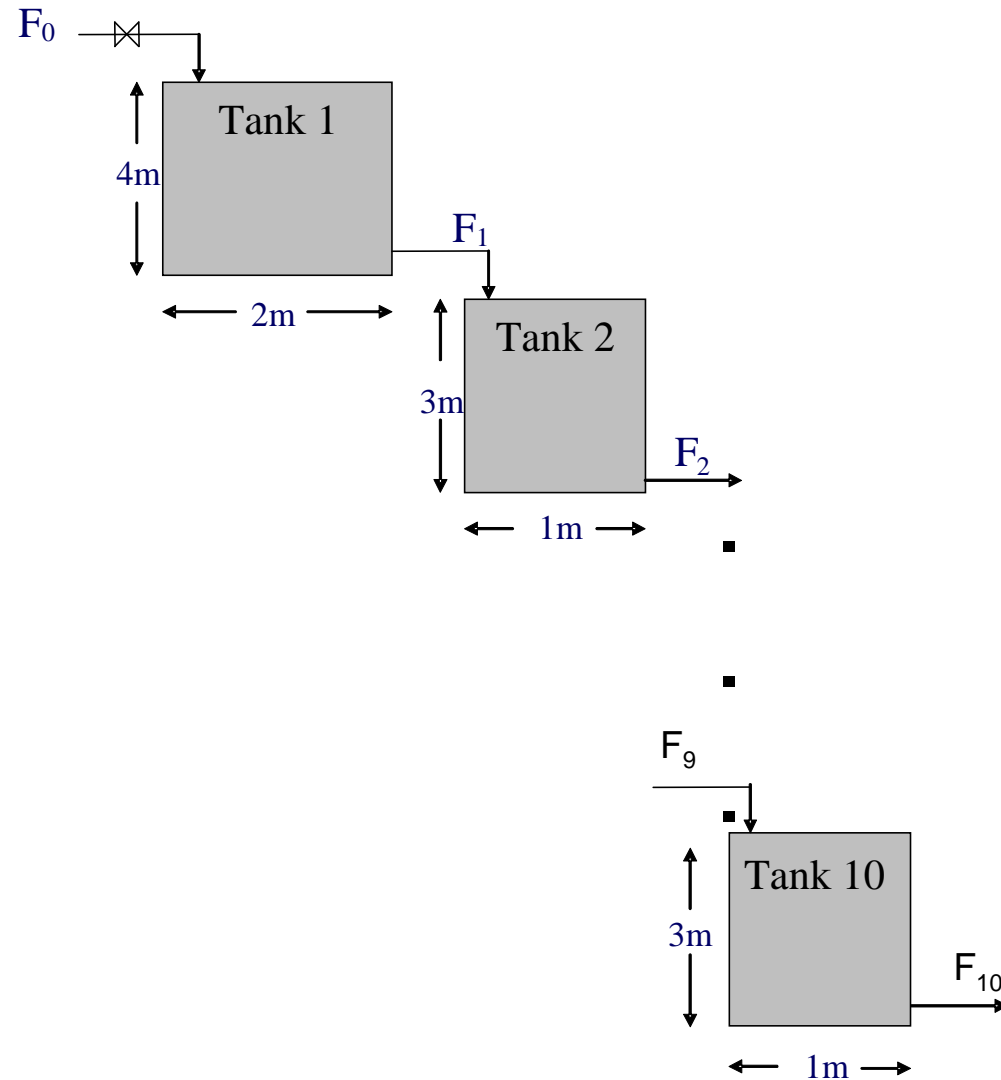
$$\frac{da_i}{dt} = f(a_i, t) \quad (\text{equation 1})$$

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i \phi_i + \bar{u} \quad (\text{equation 2})$$

- Idea: can linearise in terms of  $\alpha_i$ :
  - Irrespective of (high physical) dimensionality of the problem
  - Linearisation always 1-dimensional



# Case study 1: ten Tanks Level control





# Control formulation—10 tanks

- Objective function

$$\min_{du} (Y - Y_{ref})^T Q (Y - Y_{ref}) + DU^T RDU \quad (\text{equation 3})$$

- s.t.

Mass Balance of tank 1:  $A_1 \frac{dh_1}{dt} = F_0 - F_1$  (equation 4)

Mass balance of tank 2- tank 10:  $A_i \frac{dh_i}{dt} = F_{i-1} - F_i$  (equation 5)

$$i = 2, \Lambda, 10$$

Flow rates:  $F_k = c_k h_k^{1/2}$  (equation 6)

$$k = 1, \Lambda, 10$$

# Non-linear model

- Non-linear model control
  - based on non-linear objective function (non-quadratic)
  - with nonlinear constraints.
- Non-linear dynamic optimisation
  - Multiple shooting (based on a set of time intervals)
    - Some kind of successive substitution
    - or better Sequential Quadratic Programming

# POD model reduction

- Using  $F_1 = c_1 * h_1^{1/2}$  then

$$\frac{\partial F_1}{\partial t} - \frac{F_0 \cdot c_1^2}{F_1 \cdot 2A_1} + \frac{c_1^2}{2A_1} = 0 \quad (\text{Equation 7})$$

- Similar equations can be obtained by the above method

$$\frac{\partial F_i}{\partial t} - \frac{F_{i-1} \cdot c_i^2}{F_i \cdot 2A_i} + \frac{c_i^2}{2A_i} = 0 \quad i = 2, \Lambda, 10 \quad (\text{Equation 8})$$

- Apply method of snapshots to get basis functions  $\varpi_k(x)$
- Calculate time coefficients  $\alpha_k(t)$ 
  - using Galerkin projection on the  $m$  POD eigenfunctions as above
- The system dynamics are then retrieved as:

$$F_i(x, t) = v(x, t) + \overline{F_i} \quad i = 1, \Lambda, 10 \quad (\text{Equation 9})$$

# TPWL method

- The piecewise linear interpolation is built as follows.

$$L_i(z) = a_i + b_i(z - x_i) \quad (\text{Equation 10})$$

$$a_i = y_i \quad b_i = \frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{x_{i+1} - x_i} \quad i \in [1, n-1]$$

$$L(z) = \begin{cases} L_1(z) & \text{if } \alpha = x_1 \leq z < x_2 \\ L_2(z) & \text{if } x_2 \leq z < x_3 \\ & \text{M} \\ L_{n-1}(z) & \text{if } x_{n-1} \leq z \leq x_n = \beta \end{cases} \quad (\text{Equation 11})$$

- Apply mean value theorem:

$$f(z) = L(z) + \frac{f^{(2)}(\eta)}{2}(z - x_i)(z - x_{i+1}) \quad z \in [x_i, x_{i+1}] \quad \eta \in [x_i, x_{i+1}] \quad (\text{Equation 12})$$

- Then,

$$|f(z) - L(z)| \leq \frac{M_2 h_m^2}{8} \leq \delta \quad (\text{Equation 13})$$

where, the second derivative of  $f$  is bounded by  $M_2$

# Static and adaptive TPWL

- Static TPWL based on uniform partition

$$n \geq 1 + (\beta - \alpha) \sqrt{\frac{M_2}{8\delta}} \quad (\text{Equation 14})$$

where  $\delta$  is a given positive tolerance.

- Adaptive TPWL method

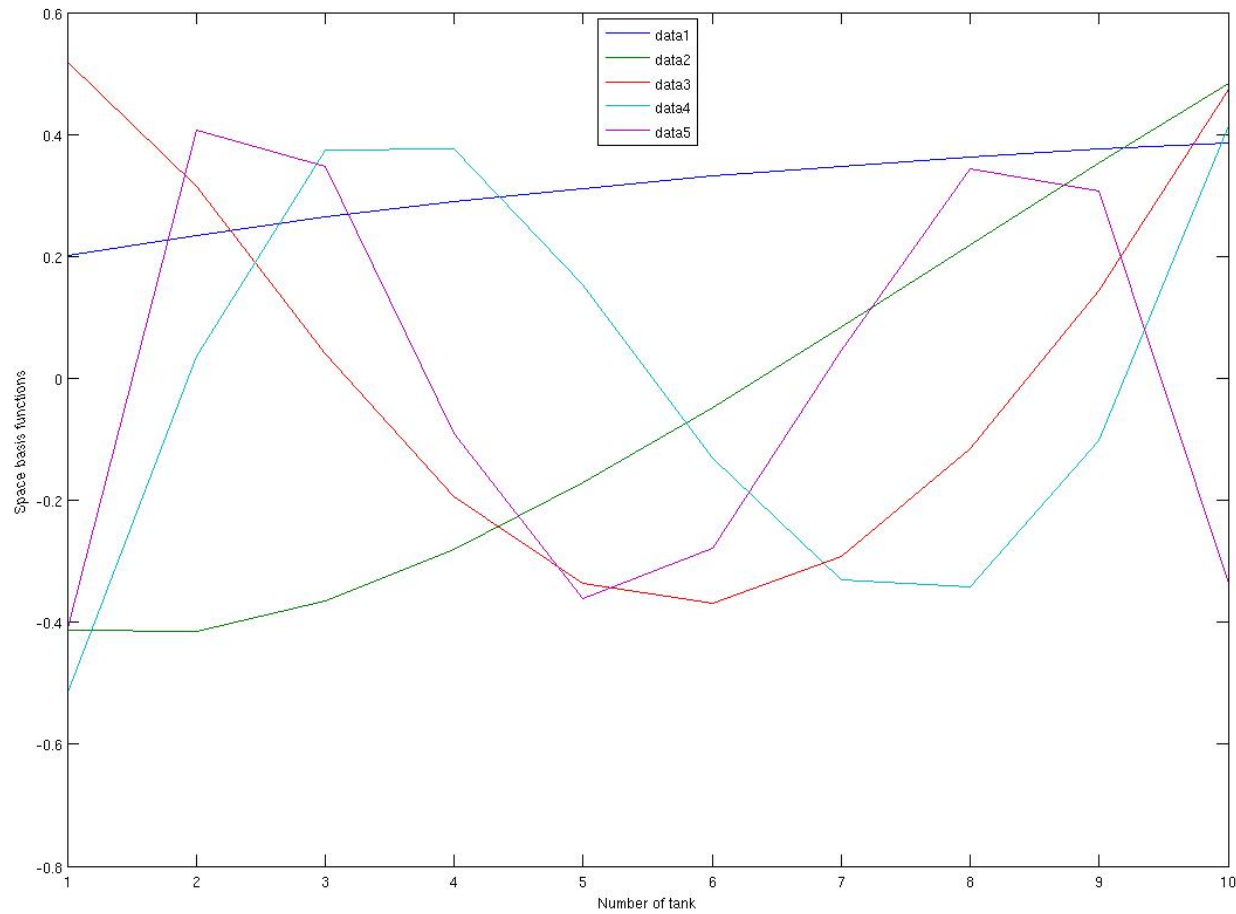
- We propose that the subinterval  $[xL, xR]$  is acceptable if

$$\left| f\left(\frac{xL + xR}{2}\right) - \frac{f(xL) + f(xR)}{2} \right| \leq \delta \quad (\text{Equation 15})$$

$$\text{Or, } xR - xL \leq h_{\min} \quad (\text{Equation 16})$$

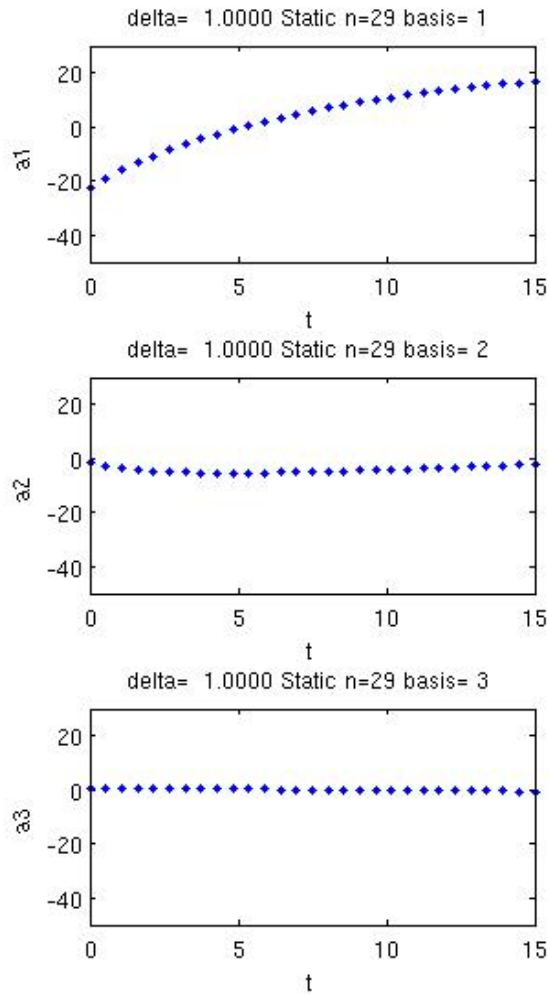
- A partition  $x_1 < \Lambda < x_n$  is acceptable if each subinterval is acceptable.

# POD basis functions-ten tanks

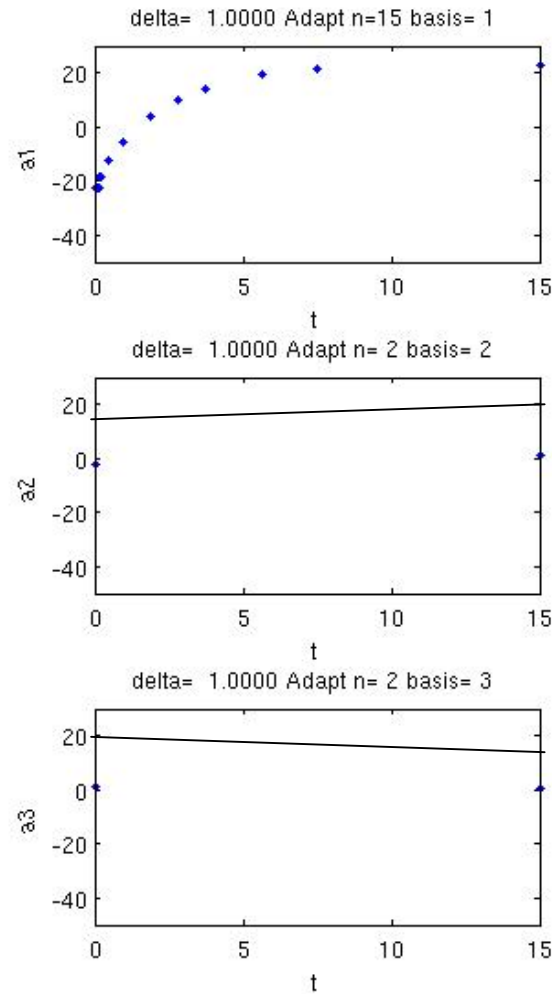


# TPWL time coefficients-ten tanks

## Static



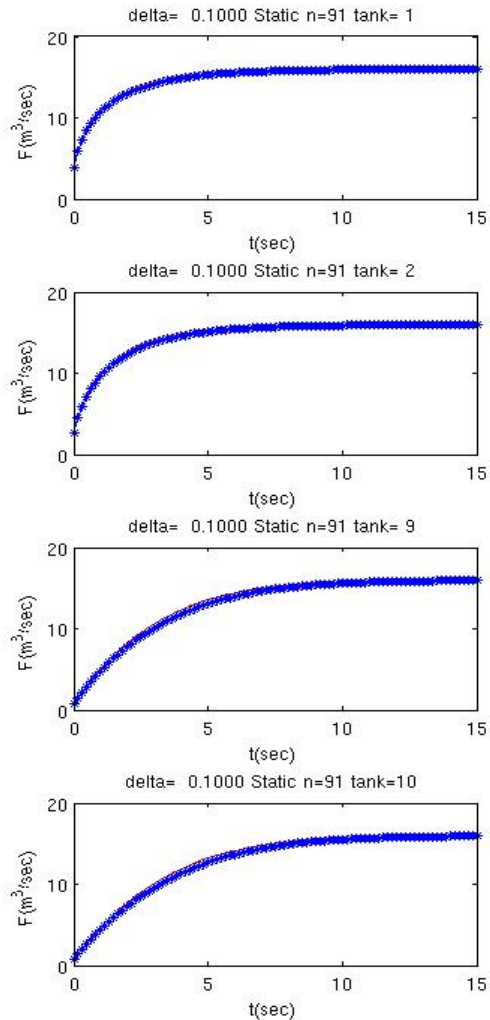
## Adaptive



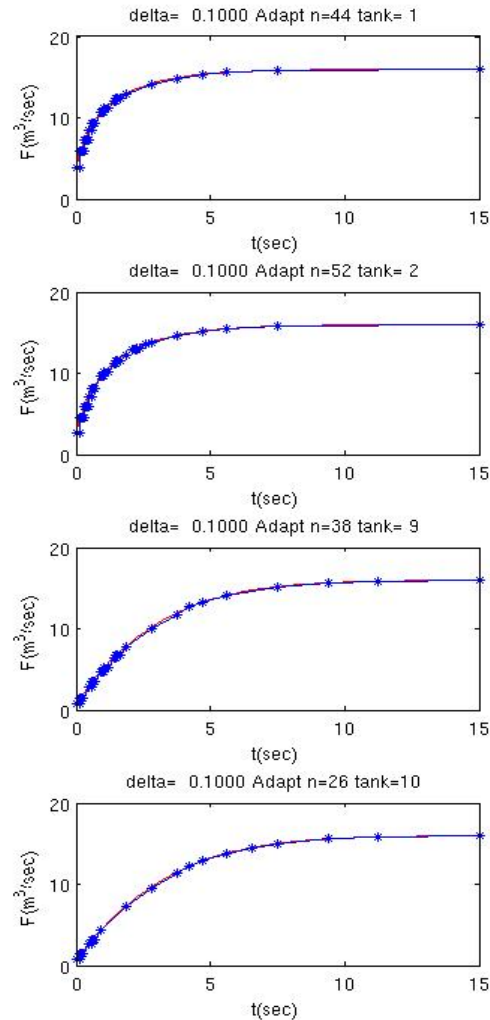
Left-hand side are static TPWL for POD time coefficients with TPWL (29 intervals), and right-hand side are adaptive TPWL (15 intervals)

# Results of TPWL with POD for 10 tanks

## Static



## Adaptive



10 tanks (showing 1, 2, 9, and 10) w.r.t. time using PODs,  $F_0=16$ ,  $\delta = 0.1$  and  $dt = 0.15$

Left-hand side static TPWL, right-hand side are adaptive TPWL



# Control formulation—10 tanks with POD method

- Objective function: quadratic due to POD formulation

$$J = \min_{du} \left( \left( \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k(t) \varpi_k(x) + \overline{F_{10}} \right) - Y_{ref} \right)^T Q \left( \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k(t) \varpi_k(x) + \overline{F_{10}} \right) - Y_{ref} + DU^T RDU$$

(Equation 17)

- s.t.

$$\int_0^{\Omega} \left\{ \phi_i(x) \cdot \left[ \frac{\partial \left( \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k(t) \varpi_k(x) + \overline{F_i} \right)}{\partial t} - \frac{\left( \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k(t) \varpi_k(x) + \overline{F_{i-1}} \right) \cdot c_i^2}{\left( \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k(t) \varpi_k(x) + \overline{F_i} \right) \cdot 2A_i} + \frac{c_i^2}{2A_i} \right] \right\} \cdot \varpi_j(x) dx = 0$$

(Equation 18)

where,  $i = 1, \Lambda, 10$ ,  $\Omega = \sum_{i=1}^{10} dx_i$ , and  $j = 1, \Lambda, m$

# Control formulation—10 tanks with TPWL method

- Piece-wise linear form on State Space Model:

$$\alpha(t+1) = L_1\alpha(t) + B_1F_0(t)$$

$$\alpha(t + p/t_n) = L_p\alpha(t + (p-1)/t_n) + B_pF_0(t + (p-1)/t_n)$$

$$y(t) = H\alpha(t) + F_m(x_{10})$$

(Equation 19)

where,

$$H = [\varpi_1(x_{10}), \varpi_2(x_{10}), \Lambda \varpi_m(x_{10})]^T$$

# Control law for TPWL model

Quadratic Programming applied to obtain the control law:

$$DF_0 = (G_{y1}^T Q G_{y1} + rI)^{-1} G_{y1}^T Q [Y_{ref} - G_1 \alpha(t) - G_{u1} F_0(t-1)] \quad (\text{Equation 20})$$

Where,  $r = 1$  because only one output;

$$G_{y1} = \begin{bmatrix} HB_1 & 0 & K & 0 \\ HB_2 + HL_2 B_1 & HB_2 & 0 & 0 \\ M & M & K & 0 \\ HB_n + HL_n B_{n-1} + \Lambda + HL_n L_{n-1} \Lambda L_2 B_1 & HB_n + HL_n B_{n-1} + \Lambda + HL_n L_{n-1} \Lambda L_3 B_2 & K & HB_n \end{bmatrix}$$

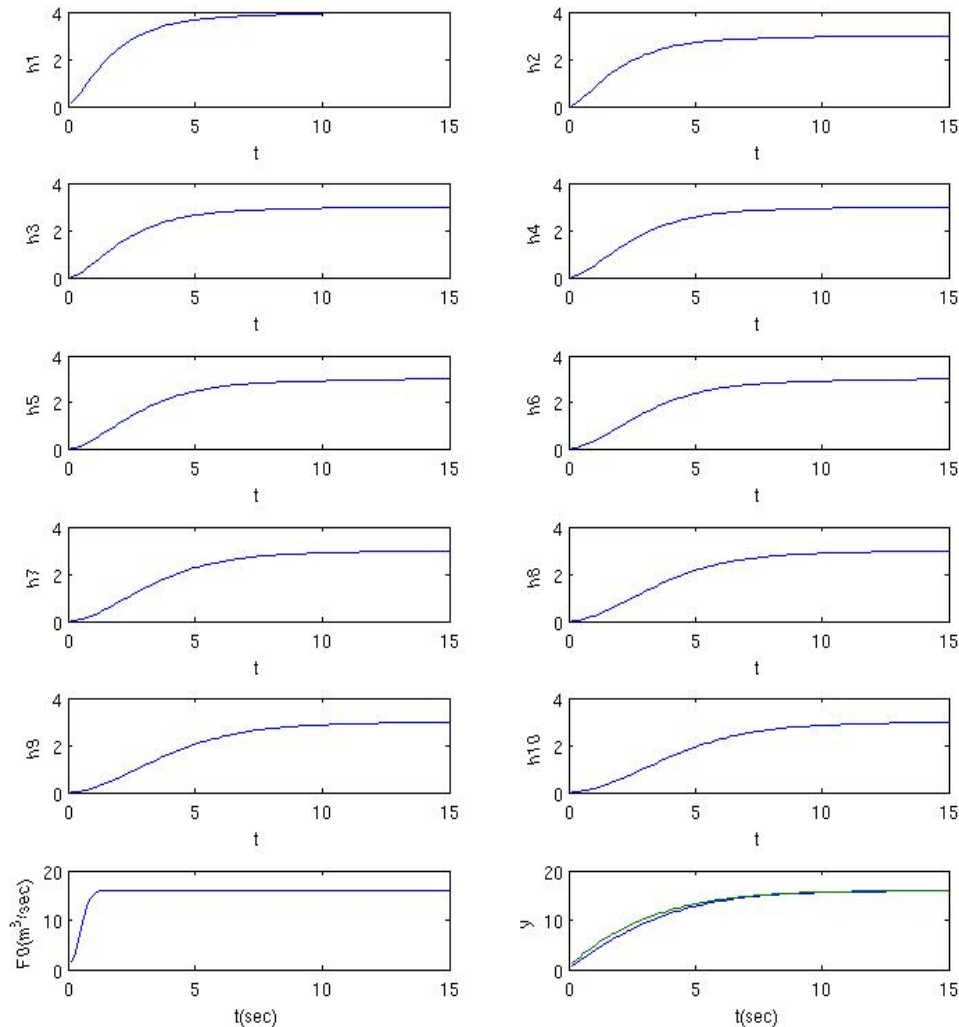
$$G_{u1} = \begin{bmatrix} HB_1 \\ HB_2 + HL_2 B_1 \\ M \\ HB_n + HL_n B_{n-1} + \Lambda + HL_n L_{n-1} \Lambda L_2 B_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad G_1 = \begin{bmatrix} HL_1 \\ HL_2 L_1 \\ M \\ HL_n L_{n-1} \Lambda L_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then the output variables can be calculated using

$$Y = G_1 \alpha(t) + G_{y1} DF_0(t) + G_{u1} F_0(t-1) + F_m(x_{10}) \quad (\text{Equation 21})$$

# SQP results of nonlinear model—10 tanks

using direct ODE solver,  $dt=0.15\text{sec}$



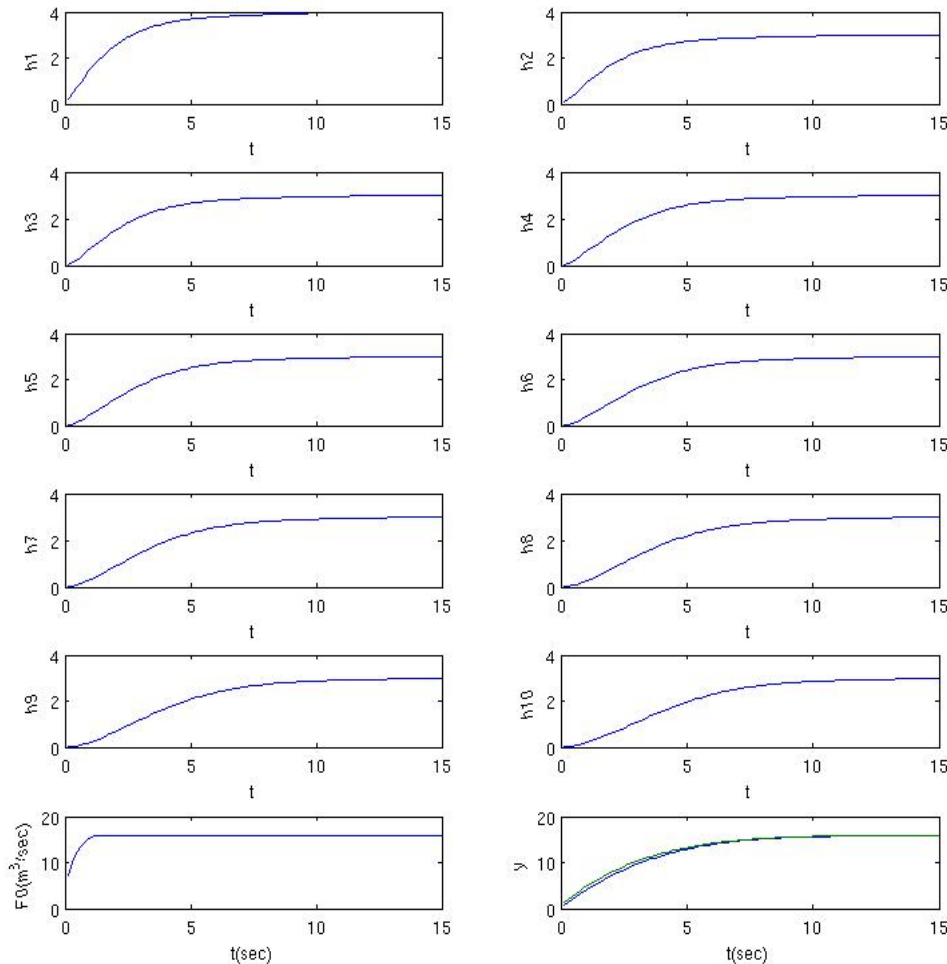
Results of nonlinear case using  
direct ODE's solver and  
(1-10) liquid level of tank  
1-10;  
(11) control input;  
(12) output of tank ten compared to  
reference output

Size of problem:  $10 \times 100$

Number of ODEs: 10

# SQP results of nonlinear model—10 tanks

(3 basis functions) using direct ODE solver,  $dt=0.15\text{sec}$



Results of nonlinear reduced model  
using direct ODE's solver and  
(1-10) liquid level of tank

1-10;

(11) control input;

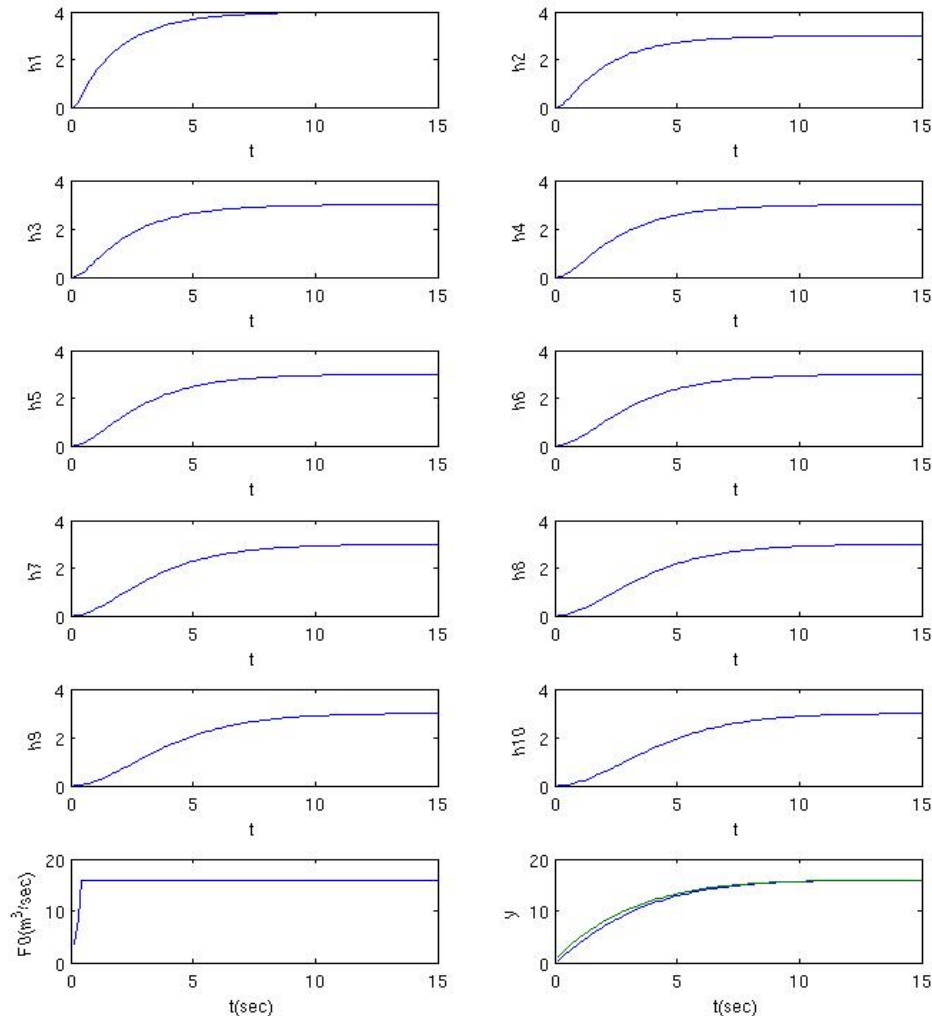
(12) output of tank ten compared to  
reference output

Size of problem:  $3 \times 100$

Number of ODEs: 3

# TPWL results of nonlinear model—10 tanks

using 3 basis functions,  $dt=0.15\text{sec}$

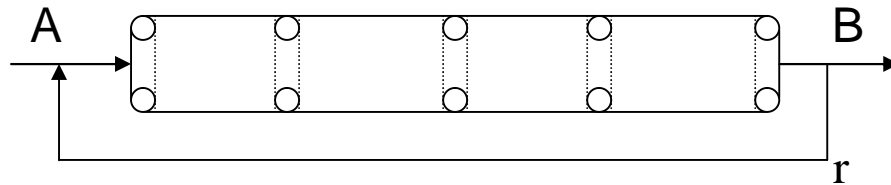


Results of nonlinear case using  
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(1-10) liquid level of tank  
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# Case study 2: Tubular reactor



$r$  : recycling ratio

$$C_t = -\frac{\partial C}{\partial z} + \frac{1}{Pe_c} \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial z^2} - f(C, T) \quad (\text{equation 22})$$

$$T_t = -\frac{\partial T}{\partial z} + \frac{1}{Pe_T} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} + B_T f(C, T) + \beta_T (T_c - T) \quad (\text{equation 23})$$

$$f(C, T) = B_C C \exp\left(\frac{\gamma T}{1+T}\right)$$

$$z = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial z} = -Pe_c [(1-r)(1+C_0) + rC(t,1) - C(t,0)] \quad \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} = -Pe_T [(1-r)(1+T_0) + rT(t,1) - T(t,0)]$$

$$z = 1$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} = 0$$

$$Pe_c = 7.0 \quad Pe_T = 7.0 \quad B_C = 0.1 \quad B_T = 2.5 \quad \gamma = 10.0 \quad \beta_T = 2.0 \quad C_0 = T_0 = T_c = 0$$

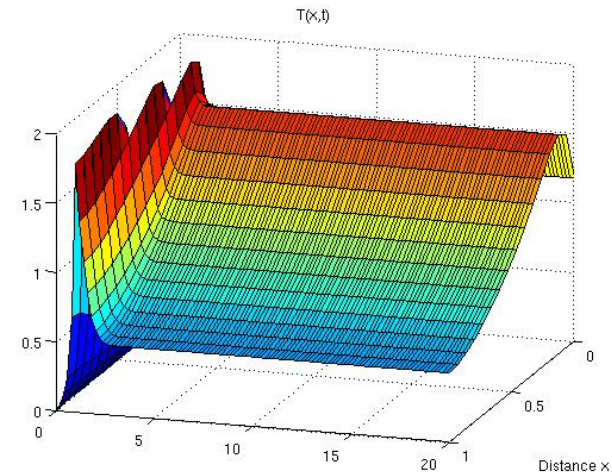
# Tubular reactor

- PDE-based model
- Complex dynamics
  - Rich parametric space, bifurcations
    - Saddle nodes
    - Sustained oscillations
- Appropriate control problem
  - Through a number of system parameters
    - Recycle
    - Jacket temperature

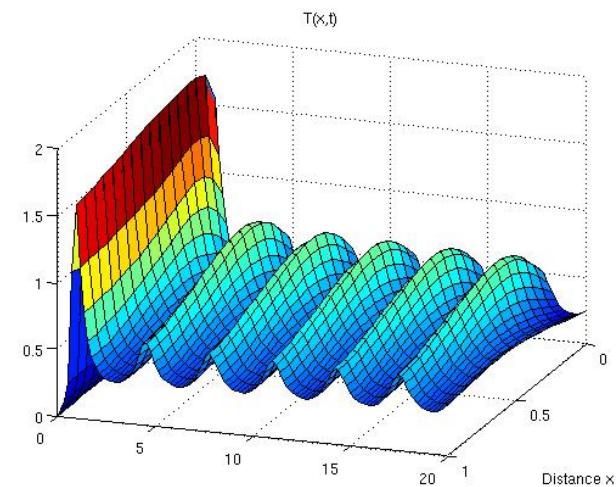


# Control objective

- For  $r=0$  stable behaviour
- For  $r=0.5$  Hopf bifurcation
  - Sustained oscillations
- Use a set of cooling zones
  - stabilise system at  $r=0.5$ 
    - To behave like system at  $r=0$



$r=0$



$r=0.5$

# Sampling

- Heaviside functions
  - for example: 3 actuators have 8 states and 5 actuators have 32 states
- 11 samples for every Heaviside functions
  - Temperature  $[-0.999, 1]$
  - Concentration  $[0, 1]$

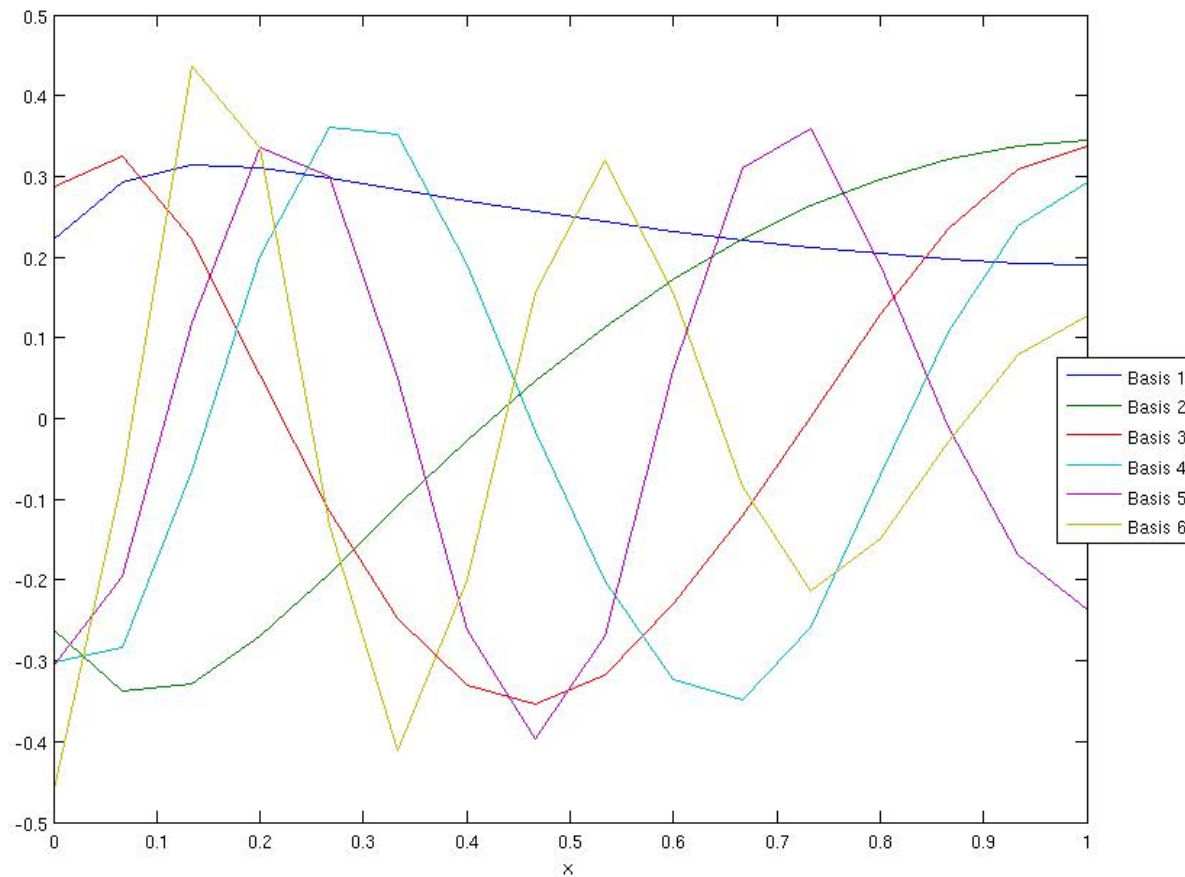
So,  $8 \times 11 = 88$  samples for 3 actuators,  
and  $32 \times 11 = 352$  samples for 5 actuators

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Tubular reactor

## - 6 POD basis functions for temperature

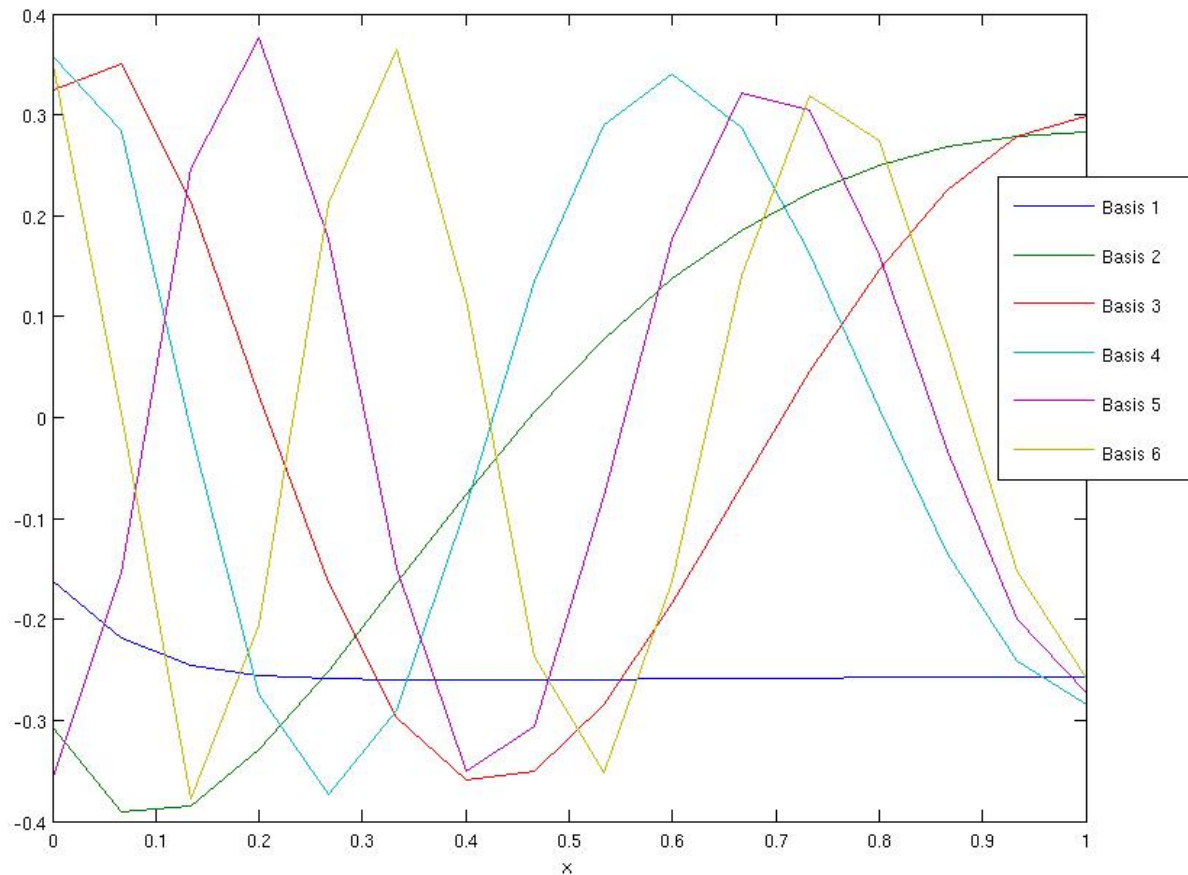
- With 5 actuators and Heaviside functions



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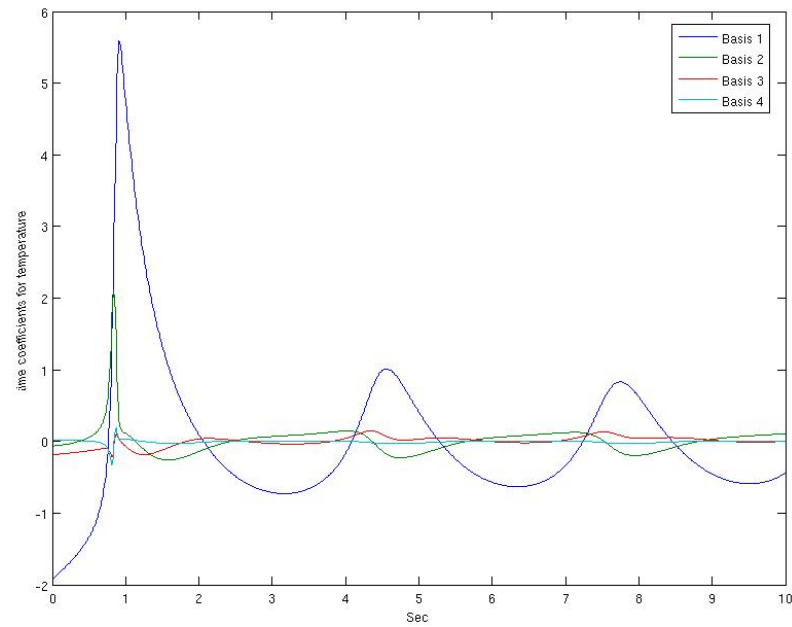
## - 6 POD basis functions for concentration

- With 5 actuators and Heaviside functions

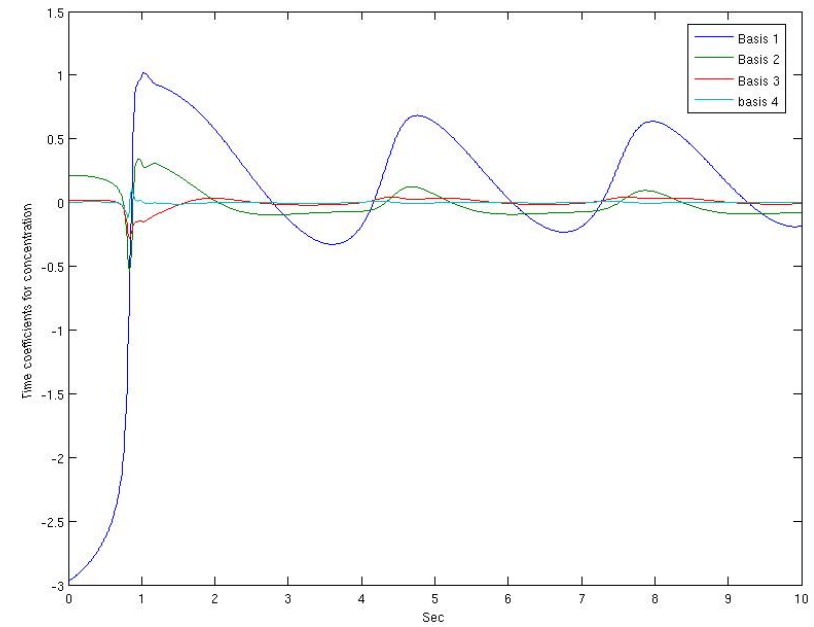


# Tubular reactor: Time coefficients

## Temperature with $r=0.5$

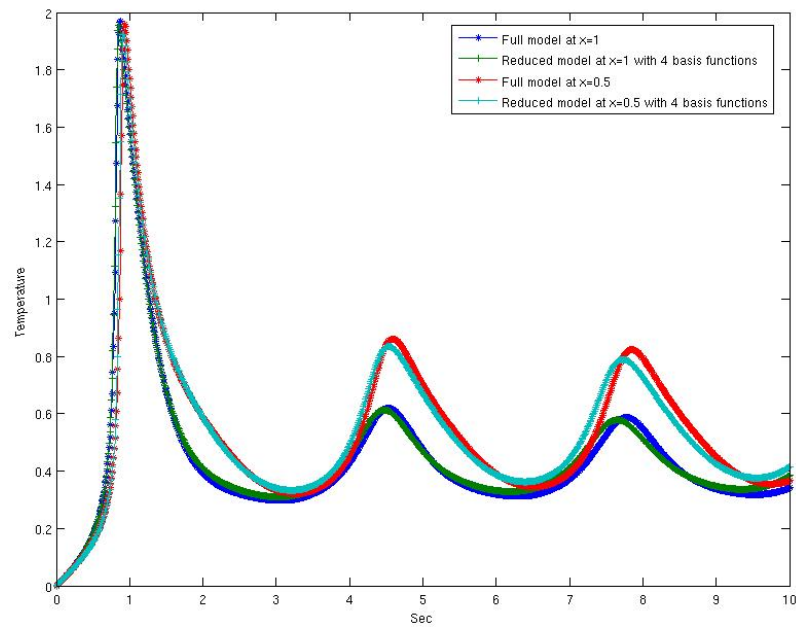


## Concentration with $r=0.5$

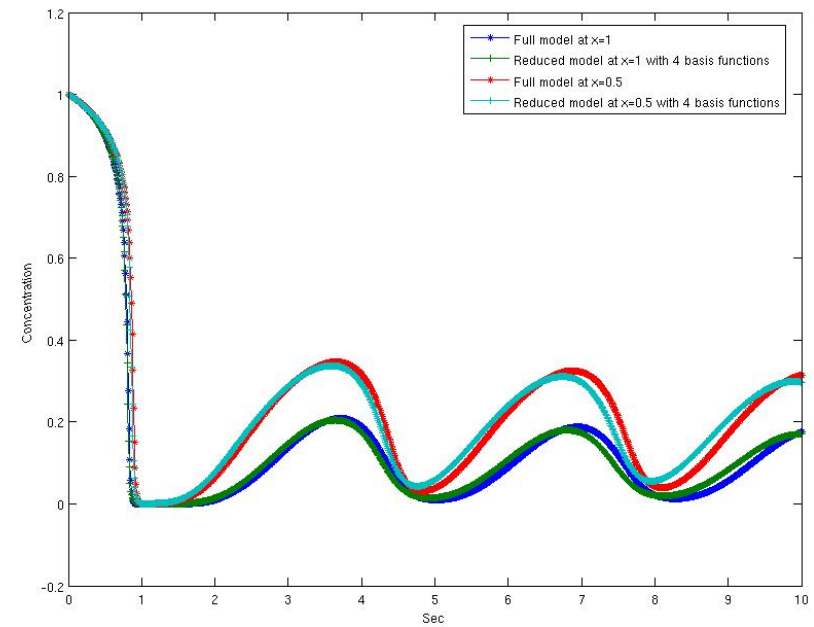


# Full vs. reduced model

## Temperature with $r=0.5$

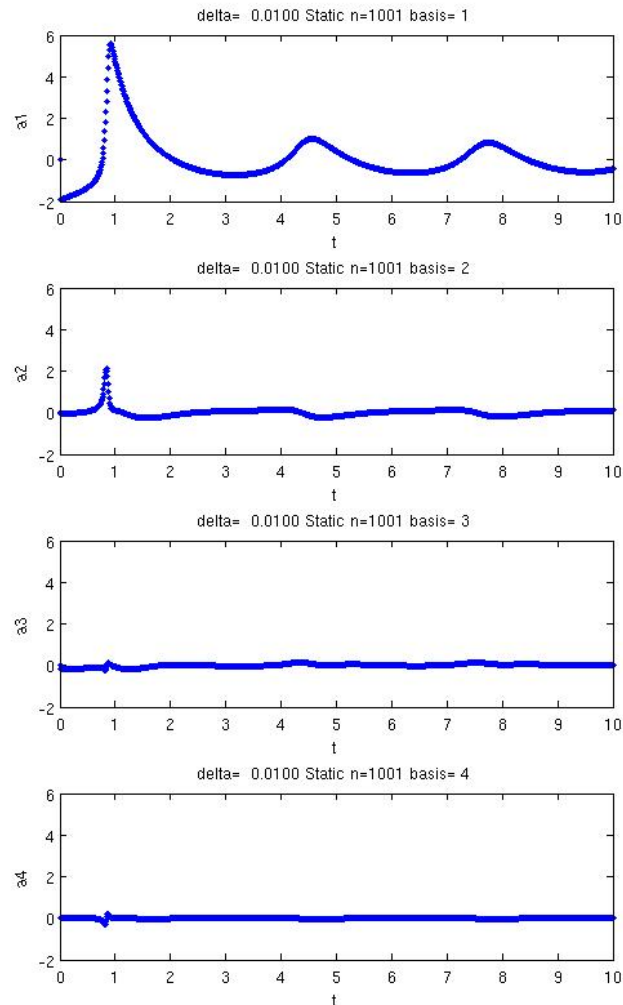


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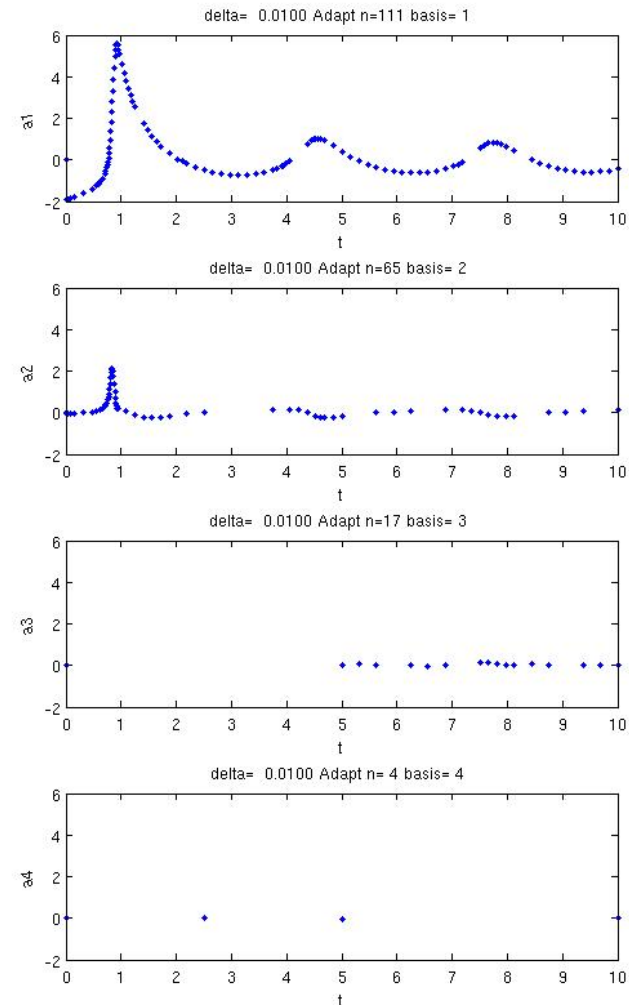


# Linearisation of temperature time coefficients

## Static

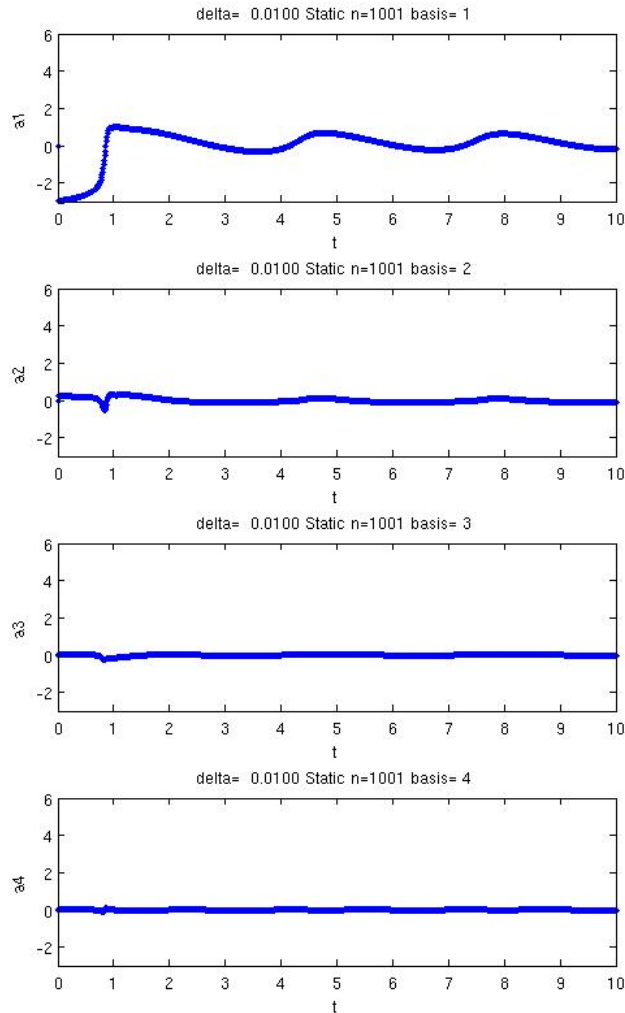


## Adaptive

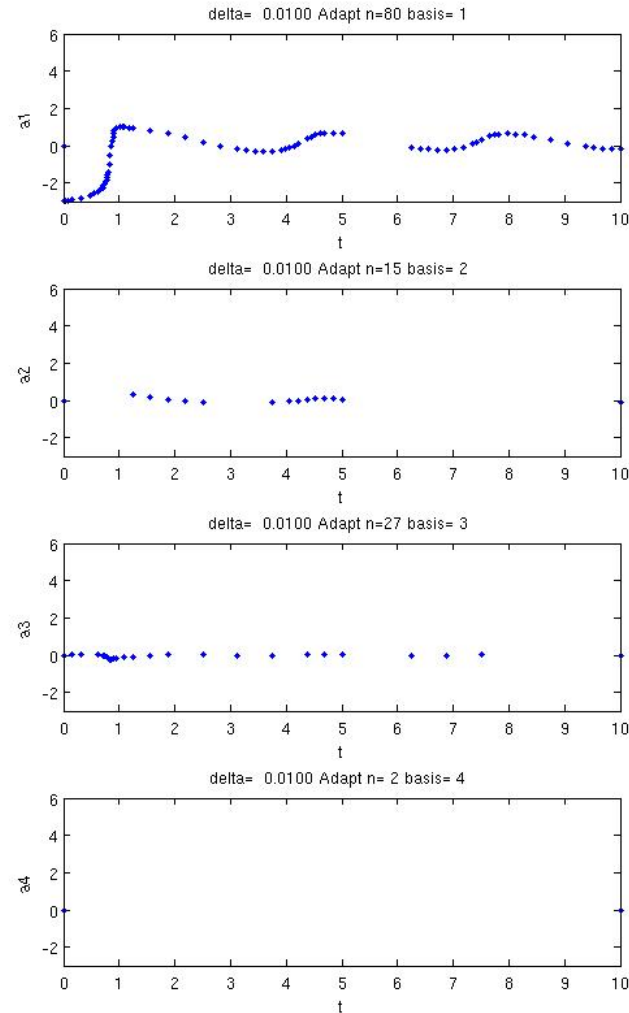


# Linearisation of concentration time coefficients

## Static



## Adaptive





# Control formulation—tubular reactor with POD method

- Objective function: quadratic due to POD formulation

$$J = \min_{du} \left( \left( \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_{k\_T}(t) \varpi_{k\_T}(x) + \overline{T_{16}} \right) - T_{ref}(t) \right)^T Q \left( \left( \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_{k\_T}(t) \varpi_{k\_T}(x) + \overline{T_{16}} \right) - T_{ref}(t) \right) + DU^T RDU$$

where,  $T_{ref}(t)$  is the reference state with  $r=0$ , (equation 24)

$DU$  is control on actuators

- s.t. 
$$\frac{\partial \left( \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_{k\_C}(t) \varpi_{k\_C}(z) + \overline{C(z)} \right)}{\partial t} = - \frac{\partial \left( \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_{k\_C}(t) \varpi_{k\_C}(z) + \overline{C(z)} \right)}{\partial z} + \frac{1}{Pe_C} \frac{\partial^2 \left( \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_{k\_C}(t) \varpi_{k\_C}(z) + \overline{C(z)} \right)}{\partial z^2}$$

$$- B_C \left( \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_{k\_C}(t) \varpi_{k\_C}(z) + \overline{C(z)} \right) \exp \left( \frac{\gamma \left( \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_{k\_T}(t) \varpi_{k\_T}(z) + \overline{T(z)} \right)}{1 + \left( \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_{k\_T}(t) \varpi_{k\_T}(z) + \overline{T(z)} \right)} \right)$$

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$$+ B_T B_C \left( \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_{k\_C}(t) \varpi_{k\_C}(z) + \overline{C(z)} \right) \exp \left( \frac{\gamma \left( \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_{k\_T}(t) \varpi_{k\_T}(z) + \overline{T(z)} \right)}{1 + \left( \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_{k\_T}(t) \varpi_{k\_T}(z) + \overline{T(z)} \right)} \right) + \beta_T (U - T)$$
 (equation 25)

# Control formulation—POD method with TPWL method

- Piece-wise linear form on State Space Model:

$$\alpha(t+1) = L_1 \alpha(t) + B_1 U(t)$$

$$\alpha(t + p/t_n) = L_p \alpha(t + (p-1)/t_n) + B_p U(t + (p-1)/t_n)$$

$$y(t) = H\alpha(t) + \overline{T}_{16} \quad (\text{equation 26})$$

where,  $\alpha(t)$  includes time coefficients for concentration and temperature,

$$H = [0, 0, \Lambda_3, 0, \varpi_{1-T}(z_{16}), \varpi_{2-T}(z_{16}), \Lambda, \varpi_{m-T}(z_{16})]^T$$

$m$

# Control law for TPWL model

Quadratic Programming applied to obtain the control law:

$$DU = (G_{y1}^T Q G_{y1} + rI)^{-1} G_{y1}^T Q [Y_{ref} - G_1 \alpha(t) - G_{u1} U(t-1)] \quad (\text{equation 27})$$

Where,  $r = 1$  because only one output;

$$G_{y1} = \begin{bmatrix} HB_1 & 0 & K & 0 \\ HB_2 + HL_2 B_1 & HB_2 & 0 & 0 \\ M & M & K & 0 \\ HB_n + HL_n B_{n-1} + \Lambda + HL_n L_{n-1} \Lambda L_2 B_1 & HB_n + HL_n B_{n-1} + \Lambda + HL_n L_{n-1} \Lambda L_3 B_2 & K & HB_n \end{bmatrix}$$

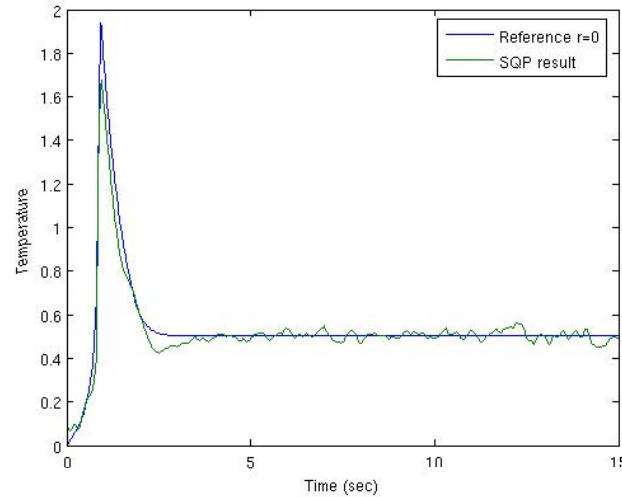
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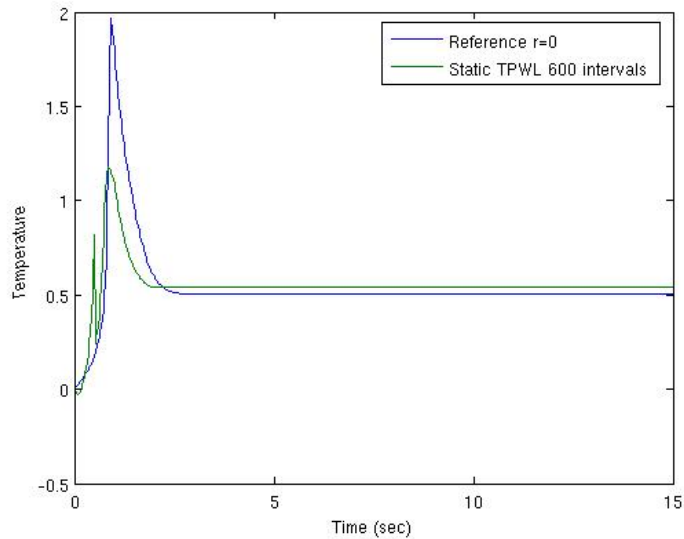
$$Y = G_1 \alpha(t) + G_{y1} DU(t) + G_{u1} U(t-1) + \overline{T}_{16} \quad (\text{equation 28})$$

# Results

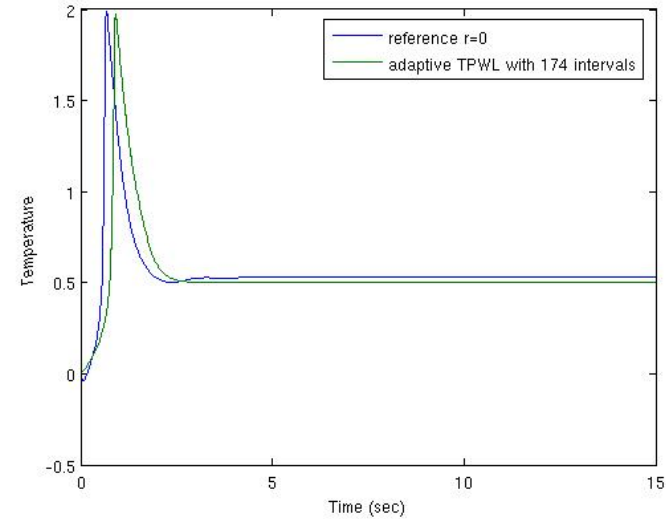
## -8 actuators and 15 secs



SQP



Static TPWL



Adaptive TPWL

# Conclusions

- A POD-based method has been developed
  - with static or adaptive TPWL
  - for non-linear large scale distributed systems
- Our method catches the dynamics of systems
- Significantly reduces computation time
  - compared to SQP method.
- Applied to both discretised and continuous systems

# Future work

- Piece-wise affine reduced model
  - Use PAROS software for parametric control
- Other cases study
  - Microfiltration process
  - Lyophilisation process

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