# On unisolvence of unsymmetric random Kansa collocation

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## Purpose

In this talk we will briefly discuss

- unisolvence of unsymmetric random Kansa collocation.
- introduce some basics on the topic;
- show the results that we have proved.

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### Some RBF

In this short talk we will briefly

- discuss unisolvence of unsymmetric random RBF-Kansa collocation.
- introduce some basics on the topic;
- mention the results that we have proved.

Examples of RBF that will be considered are:

- Thin Plate-Splines:  $\phi(r) = r^{2\nu} \log(r), \nu \in \mathbb{N}$ ,
- Multiquadrics:  $\phi(r) = \sqrt{1 + r^2}$ ,
- Generalized Inverse MultiQuadrics:  $\phi(r) = (1 + r^2)^{\beta}$ ,  $\beta < 0$

Gaussians: 
$$\phi(r) = e^{-r^2}$$
,

• Matérn: 
$$\phi(r) = \frac{2^{1-\nu}}{\Gamma(\nu)} r^{\nu} K_{\nu}(r).$$

For each of them one can defined the scaled version  $\phi_{\varepsilon}(r) = \phi(\varepsilon r)$ .

We consider the Poisson equation with Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u(P) = f(P) , P \in \Omega ,\\ u(P) = g(P) , P \in \partial \Omega , \end{cases}$$
(1)

where  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  is a bounded domain (connected open set),  $P = (x_1, \ldots, x_d)$  and  $\Delta = \partial^2 / \partial x_1^2 + \cdots + \partial^2 / \partial x_d^2$  is the Laplacian.

Depending on the cases in analysis we will consider additional assumptions.

Unsymmetric Kansa collocation consists in seeking a function

$$u_N(P) = \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \phi_j(P) + \sum_{k=1}^m d_k \psi_k(P) , \quad N = n + m , \qquad (2)$$

where

$$\phi_j(P) = \phi_{\varepsilon}(\|P - P_j\|_2) , \quad \{P_1, \dots, P_n\} \subset \Omega , \qquad (3)$$

$$\psi_k(\mathbf{P}) = \phi_{\varepsilon}(\|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{Q}_k\|_2) , \quad \{\mathbf{Q}_1, \dots, \mathbf{Q}_m\} \subset \partial\Omega , \qquad (4)$$

such that

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u_N(P_i) = f(P_i) , \ i = 1, \dots, n \\ u_N(Q_h) = g(Q_h) , \ h = 1, \dots, m . \end{cases}$$
(5)

Kansa collocation can be rewritten in matrix form as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \Delta \Phi & \Delta \Psi \\ & \\ \Phi & \Psi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{c} \\ \mathbf{d} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{f} \\ \mathbf{g} \end{pmatrix}$$
(6)

where the  $N \times N$  block matrix is

$$K_{N} = K_{N}(\{P_{i}\}, \{Q_{h}\}) = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \Phi & \Delta \Psi \\ & & \\ \Phi & \Psi \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (\Delta \phi_{j}(P_{i})) & (\Delta \psi_{k}(P_{i})) \\ & & \\ (\phi_{j}(Q_{h})) & (\psi_{k}(Q_{h})) \end{pmatrix}$$

and

■ 
$$\mathbf{f} = \{f(P_i)\},$$
  
■  $\mathbf{g} = \{g(Q_h)\}, 1 \le i, j \le n, 1 \le h, k \le m.$ 

A main issue is to show if the Kansa collocation matrix

$$\mathcal{K}_{N} = \mathcal{K}_{N}(\{P_{i}\}, \{Q_{h}\}) = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \Phi & \Delta \Psi \\ & \\ \Phi & \Psi \end{pmatrix}$$
(7)

is non-singular.

- Existence of sufficient conditions ensuring invertibility of unsymmetric Kansa collocation matrices is still a substantially open problem (Hon and Schaback in 2001 has showed that there exist point configurations leading to singularity of the collocation matrices).
- The lack of well-posedness conditions has been considered one of the main drawbacks of unsymmetric Kansa collocation, despite its manifest effectiveness in many applications.

For Thin-Plates splines  $\phi(r) = r^{2\nu} \log(r)$ ,  $\nu \in \mathbb{N}$  we proved the following.

#### Theorem (F.Dell'Accio, A.Sommariva, M.Vianello, 2024)

- Assume that  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  is a domain whose boundary curve has an analytic parametrization (namely a curve  $\gamma : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $\gamma(a) = \gamma(b)$ , that is analytic and regular, i.e.  $\gamma'(t) \neq (0, 0)$  for every  $t \in (a, b)$ ).
- Let  $K_N$  be the TPS-Kansa collocation matrix defined above, with  $N = N_I + N_B \ge 2$ , where
  - (a)  $\{P_i\}$  is a sequence of independent uniformly distributed random points in  $\Omega$ ,
  - (b)  $\{Q_h\}$  a sequence of independent uniformly distributed points on  $\partial \Omega$

Then for every  $N \ge 2$  the matrix  $K_N$  is a.s. (almost surely) nonsingular.

## Some results: MultiQuadrics and Inverse MultiQuadrics

For MultiQuadrics (MQ)  $\phi_{\varepsilon}(r) = \sqrt{1 + (\varepsilon r)^2}$  and Inverse MultiQuadrics (IMQ)  $\phi_{\varepsilon}(r) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (\varepsilon r)^2}}$  the following result holds.

Theorem (R.Cavoretto, F.Dell'Accio, A.De Rossi, A.Sommariva, M.Vianello, 2024)

Let K<sub>n</sub> be the MQ or IMQ Kansa collocation matrix where

- (a)  $\{P_j\}$  is a sequence of i.i.d. (independent and identically distributed) random points in  $\Omega$  with respect to any probability density  $\sigma \in L^1_+(\Omega)$ ,
- (b)  $\{Q_h\}$  is any fixed set of m distinct points on  $\partial\Omega$

Then for every  $m \ge 1$  and for every  $n \ge 0$  the matrix  $K_n$  is a.s. (almost surely) nonsingular.

#### Remark

There is no restrictive assumption on  $\partial \Omega$ , except for the usual ones that guarantee well-posedness and regularity of the solution (like e.g. that the boundary is Lipschitz).

## Some results for regular RBF

#### Theorem (A.Sommariva, M.Vianello, 2024)

Let  $\phi : [0, +\infty) \to \mathbb{R}$  be a radial function such that:

(i) 
$$\phi \in C^2([0,+\infty)) \cap H((0,+\infty))$$
,  $\lim_{r\to\infty} \phi(r) = 0$ ;

(ii)  $\ell(r) = \phi''(r) + \phi'(r)/r$  is continuous at r = 0,  $\ell(0) \neq 0$ ,  $\lim_{r\to\infty} \ell(r) = 0$ ;

(iii) the RBF interpolation matrix  $V_m = \phi_{\varepsilon}(||Q_h - Q_k||), 1 \le h, k \le m$ , is nonsingular for every set of distinct points  $\{Q_1, \ldots, Q_m\} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ .

Let

- (a)  $\{P_i\}$  is a sequence of i.i.d. (independent and identically distributed) random points in  $\Omega$  with respect to any probability density  $\sigma \in L^1_+(\Omega)$ ;
- (b)  $\{Q_h\}$  is any fixed set of m distinct points on  $\partial\Omega$ .

Then for every  $m \ge 1$  and for every  $n \ge 0$  the collocation matrix  $K_n$  is a.s. (almost surely) nonsingular.

RBFs that fulfil the assumptions of this theorem are:

- Gaussians:  $\phi(r) = e^{-r^2}$ ;
- Generalized Inverse MultiQuadrics:  $\phi(r) = (1 + r^2)^{\beta}$ ,  $\beta < 0$ ;
- Matérn:  $\phi(r) = \frac{2^{1-\nu}}{\Gamma(\nu)} r^{\nu} K_{\nu}(r)$ , where  $K_{\nu}$  is the modified Bessel function of the second kind or Macdonald function of order  $\nu > 0$ .

Of course the theorem is valid also for their scaled version  $\phi_{\varepsilon}$ .

We are considering the investigation of similar results for

- other classes of RBF (e.g. RBF with compact support);
- other differential equations;
- other boundary conditions (e.g. Neumann, Robin, mixed-type);
- other different pointsets (e.g. QMC).

At present we believe that all these topics are not trivial and will make us sweat a lot (any help is welcome)!

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