

Inverse modelling for source characterization in complex industrial sites: Development of the adjoint state method applied to a Lagrangian stochastic dispersion model

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INTRODUCTION

ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION

Health risks (cancers, ...)

Environmental risks (global warming, contamination, ...)

 Security risks (flammability, explosion, ...)



• Need for atmospheric pollutant source identification & quantification in complex industrial sites



To improve on-site safety & to evaluate environmental impact

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Drone AUSEA on a TotalEnergies site (©TotalEnergies)

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Time-consuming techniques ! Need to find an alternative: <u>the adjoint state method (Chavent, 1974)</u>

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- Adjoint state method for inverse problem solving
- Application to a Lagrangian stochastic particle dispersion model
- Application results on a numerical test case
- Conclusion

ADJOINT STATE METHOD FOR INVERSE PROBLEM SOLVING Forward model definition

• State equation - generally implicit (*Plessix, 2006*):

$$\underbrace{F_{s}}_{n_{F}\times 1} (\underbrace{u_{s}}_{n_{u}\times 1}, \underbrace{m_{s}}_{n_{m}\times 1}) = \underbrace{0}_{n_{F}\times 1}$$

- F_s numerical forward model
- m_s model parameters
- u_s state (output) variable

• If an explicit relationship f_s exists between u_s and m_s , F_s :

$$\boldsymbol{F}_{\boldsymbol{s}}(\boldsymbol{u}_{\boldsymbol{s}},\boldsymbol{m}_{\boldsymbol{s}})=\boldsymbol{u}_{\boldsymbol{s}}-\boldsymbol{f}_{\boldsymbol{s}}(\boldsymbol{m}_{\boldsymbol{s}})=\boldsymbol{0}$$

- In atmospheric dispersion context:
 - F_s forward transport and dispersion model of pollutants, originating from a source s
 - u_s concentration vector
 - m_s source parameter vector
- m_s : Source position $x_s(x_s, y_s, z_s)$ & flow rate $q_s \Rightarrow n_m = 4$

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- Matrix $\frac{du_s}{dm_s}$ is the bottleneck term
 - \succ u_s does not depend generally explicitly on m_s $\square >$ Impossible to differentiate u_s !

> $\frac{du_s}{dm_s}$ must be computed for each perturbation dm_s , typically on each grid point. Can exceed many thousands at industrial scale, leading to large computation cost !

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• **V***J* becomes:



ADJOINT STATE METHOD FOR INVERSE PROBLEM SOLVING Extension to a Markovian explicit iterative model with least-square misfit

- Adjoint method widely used in atmospheric dispersion field
 - > Applications to Gaussian and Eulerian models (*Pudykiewicz, 1998; Giering, 2000*)
 - Not known application to forward Lagrangian Stochastic (LS) models <u>BUT</u>:
 - ✓ Suitable for modelling turbulent dispersion in complex environment
 - ✓ Reasonable computational cost

> Objective: Application to a Lagrangian Stochastic model

Case definition:

Explicit Iterative Markov process Least-square error functional

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- Efficient way to compute **VJ** (chain rule)
- *VJ* obtained computing only a product iteratively
- A priori knowledge of u_s^N , $d^N \& N$ not necessary

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Simplification of the real atmosphere

For the rest of this presentation, work has been done under these assumptions, for understanding of the adjoint state method approach

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- $\overline{C_s}$ considered as particle density function, affected by M_p , over V_r : the density of particles inside V_r which have been transported forward in time from source s.

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APPLICATION TO A LAGRANGIAN STOCHASTIC PARTICLE DISPERSION MODEL Adjoint computation-Disaggregation step

Disaggregation: Instant emission of N_p particles from source *s*, at t_0



APPLICATION TO A LAGRANGIAN STOCHASTIC PARTICLE DISPERSION MODEL Adjoint computation-Transport step

Transport / Advection: Advection of particles at each time step δt , for N iterations (Lagrangian stochastic path)



APPLICATION TO A LAGRANGIAN STOCHASTIC PARTICLE DISPERSION MODEL Adjoint computation-Aggregation step

Aggregation: Concentration computation at receiver r, after N iterations



APPLICATION TO A LAGRANGIAN STOCHASTIC PARTICLE DISPERSION MODEL Adjoint computation



• $O_{p,s}$ (size $4 * n_N$) computed independently for each particle

Allows parallelization, reducing restitution time

- Product calculated iteratively while forward model running
- Avoids particle data storage at each time step and excessive memory use
- Easy adaptation of O_{p,s} for more general cases, by summing equivalent terms corresponding to these cases.

APPLICATION RESULTS ON A NUMERICAL TEST CASE Case description

- Computational domain: test case power plant at the centre of a 600-meter radius disk
- Continuous release from a point source located 10 meters above the ground
 - Steady configuration with Gaussian isotropic homogeneous turbulence and diagonal Reynolds stresses
 - Neutral atmosphere



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Figure 1 - Concentration field (log-scale)

Figure 3 - Concentration variation for a unit increase of source X-coordinate (linear scale)

Figure 4 - Concentration variation for a unit increase of source Y-coordinate (linear scale)

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- New application of the adjoint state method, for a LS model (Markovian explicit iterative model)
 - Combined use of the adjoint method with a LS model is well suited to source characterization with real time constraint in complex industrial sites

THANK YOU !