

# *Sensitivity analysis for nonlinear maps and odes*

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# Outline

- I **will** talk about sensitivity analysis in the context of cardiac modelling. Familiar themes of
  - stochastic collocation (Gunzburger),
  - high dimensional integration using sparse grids (Sloan),
  - sensitivity measures (Saltelli).

Different context with a new twist.

- I **won't** talk about other recent ideas for adaptive computation balancing numerical and stochastic (sampling) errors
  - Estep, D. Malqvist, A. and Tavener, S.J. 2009 Nonparametric density estimation for randomly perturbed elliptic problems I: Computational methods, *a posteriori* analysis, and adaptive error control *SIAM J. Sci. Comp.*, **31**, 2935–2959
  - Estep, D. Malqvist, A. and Tavener, S.J. 2009 Nonparametric density estimation for randomly perturbed elliptic problems II: Applications and adaptive modeling. *Int. J. Numer. Meth. Engr.*, **80**, 846–867.
- I hope that was the right choice!

## Noble 1962 model

The Noble 1962 model for Perkinje fibre action and pace-maker potentials is

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{dV}{dt} &= \frac{-(I_{Na} + I_K + I_{leak})}{C_m} \\ \frac{dm}{dt} &= a_m(1 - m) - b_m m \\ \frac{dh}{dt} &= a_h(1 - h) - b_h h \\ \frac{dn}{dt} &= a_n(1 - n) - b_n n \end{aligned} \right\} \cdot \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} E_{Na} &= 40, \quad g_{Na} = m^3 h \mathbf{g_{Na_{max}}}, & I_{Na} &= (g_{Na} + 140)(V - E_{Na}) \\ g_{K1} &= \mathbf{g_{K_{max}}} \exp((-V - 90)/50), & g_{K2} &= \mathbf{g_{K_{max}}} n^4, \\ I_K &= (g_{K1} + g_{K2})(V + 100), & E_L &= -60, \quad I_{leak} = \mathbf{g_L} (V - E_L), \end{aligned}$$

Parameters in **red** indicate those whose sensitivities are sought.

## Parameters and initial conditions

The constants and expressions appearing in (1) are

$$a_m = 100 (-V - 48)/(\exp((-V - 48)/15) - 1) \quad a_h = 170 \exp((-V - 90)/20)$$
$$a_n = 0.1 (-V - 50)/(\exp((-V - 50)/10) - 1)$$

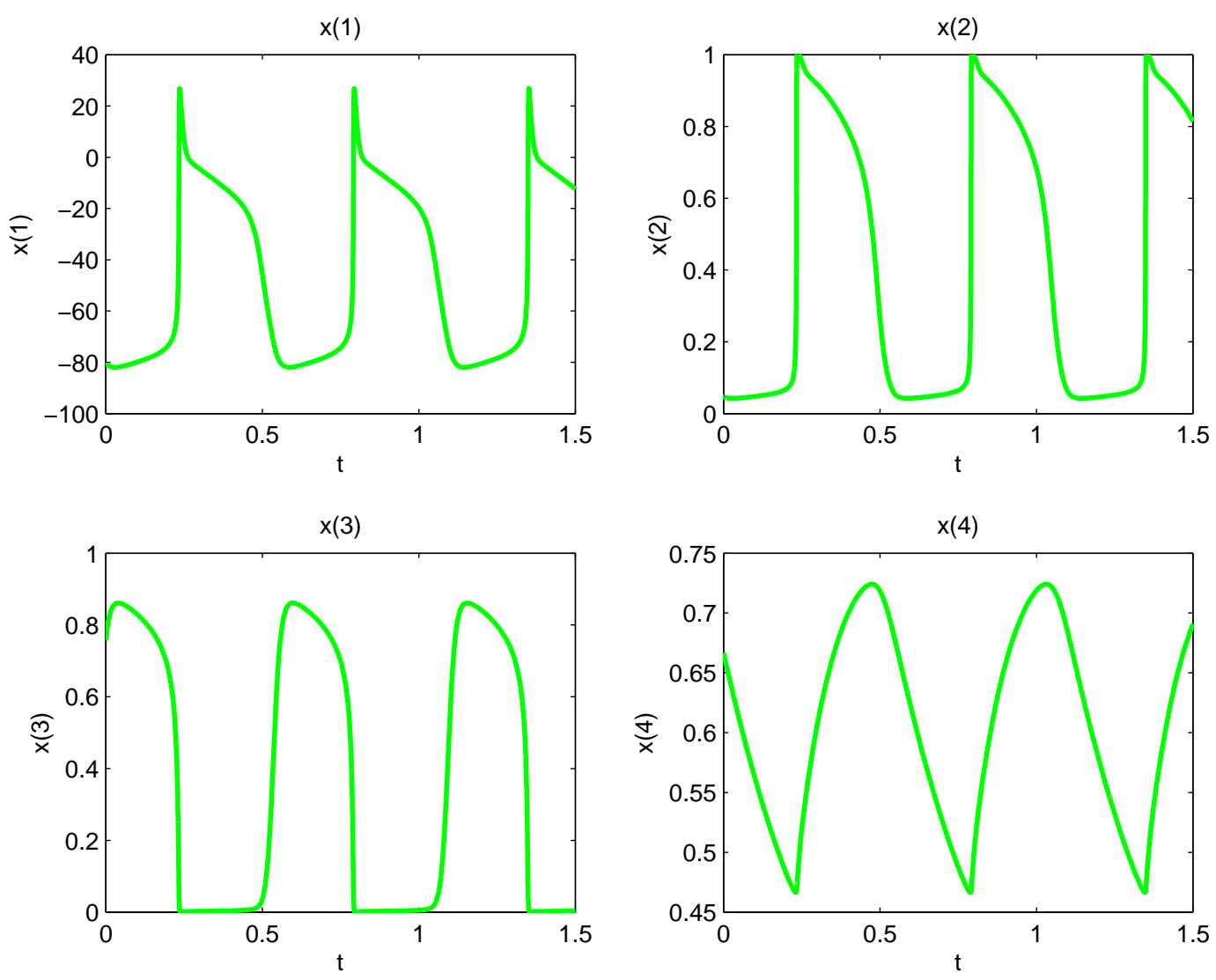
and

$$b_m = 20 (V + 8)/(\exp((V + 8)/5) - 1) \quad b_h = 1000/(1 + \exp((-V - 42)/10))$$
$$b_n = 2 \exp((-V - 90)/80).$$

To minimize transience, choose the initial conditions and parameters as

$$V_0 = -80.01 \quad g_{Na_{max}} = 400000$$
$$m_0 = 0.04638 \quad g_{K_{max}} = 1200$$
$$h_0 = 0.7574 \quad g_L = 75$$
$$n_0 = 0.6667 \quad C_m = 12.$$

# Noble 1962 solutions



## Traditional sensitivity analysis for nonlinear o.d.e.s

Consider the following system of parametrized nonlinear first-order ordinary differential equations,

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t, \mathbf{p}) &= \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t, \mathbf{p}), \mathbf{p}) \\ \mathbf{x}(0) &= \mathbf{z} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

where  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{\text{xdim}}$ ,  $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{R}^{\text{kdim}}$  and the initial conditions  $\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^{\text{xdim}}$ .

Differentiating with respect to the  $k$ th parameter  $p_k$  (and reversing the order of differentiation w.r.t.  $t$  and w.r.t.  $p_k$  on the LHS) gives

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial p_k} \right) &= \sum_{m=1}^{\text{xdim}} \left( \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_m} \frac{\partial x_m}{\partial p_k} \right) + \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial p_k} \\ \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial p_k}(0) &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, \text{xdim}, \quad k = 1, \dots, \text{kdim}.$$

## Alternative approach to sensitivity analysis

Consider a system of parametrized nonlinear first-order ordinary differential equations of the form

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t, \boldsymbol{\theta}) &= \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t, \boldsymbol{\theta}), \boldsymbol{\theta}) \\ \mathbf{x}(0) &= \mathbf{z} \end{aligned} \right\}, \quad (2)$$

where  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{\text{xdim}}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \mathbb{R}^{\text{kdim}}$  and the initial conditions  $\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^{\text{xdim}}$ .

Let  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  be a vector of *stochastic* parameters, i.e., let  $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_{\text{kdim}}$  be random variables with pdfs  $\rho(\theta_1), \dots, \rho(\theta_{\text{kdim}})$ .

For simplicity, first consider  $\text{kdim}=1$ . Define

$$L_\rho(\theta) = \left\{ \mathbf{v}(\theta) : \int_{\Omega} \rho(\theta) \|\mathbf{v}(\theta)\|_2^2 d\theta < \infty \right\},$$

where  $\rho(\theta)$  is the probability density function for random variable  $\theta$ .

## Polynomial approximation of stochastic space

**Idea:** Construct a polynomial basis for  $L_\rho(\theta)$  and let  $\mathbf{x}(t, \theta)$  be a polynomial function of  $\theta$  such that  $\mathbf{x}(t, \theta) \in L_\rho(\theta) \forall t > 0$ .

(★) Construct polynomials (of degree  $n$ ) in  $L_\rho(\theta)$  as linear combinations of Lagrange interpolating polynomials based at  $(n + 1)$  “basis” points  $\theta_j$ , i.e.,

$$\mathbf{x}(t, \theta) = \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{x}_j(t) L_j(\theta) \quad \text{where} \quad L_j(\theta) = \prod_{k=0, k \neq j}^n \frac{\theta - \theta_k}{\theta_j - \theta_k}.$$

A weak solution of the i.v.p. (2) satisfies

$$\int_{-1}^1 \rho(\theta) \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t, \theta) \cdot \mathbf{v}(\theta) \, d\theta = \int_{-1}^1 \rho(\theta) \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t, \theta), \theta) \cdot \mathbf{v}(\theta) \, d\theta \quad (3)$$

for all test functions  $\mathbf{v}(\theta) = \sum_{j=0}^n \mathbf{v}_j L_j(\theta) \in L_\rho^2(\Omega)$ .

## Substitution and quadrature

Substituting the polynomial approximation for  $\mathbf{x}(t, \theta)$  and  $\mathbf{v}(\theta)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} \rho(\theta) \left( \sum_{j=0}^n \dot{\mathbf{x}}_j(t) L_j(\theta) \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{k=0}^n \mathbf{v}_k L_k(\theta) \right) d\theta \\ &= \int_{\Omega} \rho(\theta) \mathbf{f} \left( \sum_{j=0}^n \mathbf{x}_j(t) L_j(\theta), \theta \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{k=0}^n \mathbf{v}_k L_k(\theta) \right) d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

(★) Use numerical quadrature **at the “basis” points**,  $\theta_m$ ,  $m = 0, \dots, n$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{m=0}^n w_m \rho(\theta_m) \left( \sum_{j=0}^n \dot{\mathbf{x}}_j(t) L_j(\theta_m) \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{k=0}^n \mathbf{v}_k(t) L_k(\theta_m) \right) \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^n w_m \rho(\theta_m) \mathbf{f} \left( \sum_{j=0}^n \mathbf{x}_j(t) L_j(\theta_m), \theta_m \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{k=0}^n \mathbf{v}_k(t) L_k(\theta_m) \right) \end{aligned}$$

The key property:  $L_j(\theta_m) = \delta_{jm}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{m=0}^n w_m \rho(\theta_m) \left( \sum_{j=0}^n \dot{\mathbf{x}}_j(t) \delta_{jm} \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{k=0}^n \mathbf{v}_k \delta_{km} \right) \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^n w_m \rho(\theta_m) \mathbf{f} \left( t, \sum_{j=0}^n \mathbf{x}_j(t) \delta_{jm}, \theta_m \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{k=0}^n \mathbf{v}_k \delta_{km} \right) \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\sum_{m=0}^n w_m \rho(\theta_m) \dot{\mathbf{x}}_m(t) \cdot \mathbf{v}_m = \sum_{m=0}^n w_m \rho(\theta_m) \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_m(t), \theta_m) \cdot \mathbf{v}_m \quad \forall \mathbf{v}_m.$$

Hence

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}_m(t) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_m(t), \theta_m) \quad \forall m = 0, 1, \dots, n. \quad (4)$$

## Multiple dimensions

Multiple stochastic parameters raises several issues.

1. A tensor-product grid will contain

$$N_{\text{tp}} = \prod_{k=1}^{\text{kdim}} (n_k + 1)$$

collocation points and therefore require  $N_{\text{tp}}$  solutions of the initial value problem. Decision: employ a sparse grid implementation

- (a)  $\Omega = [-1, 1] \otimes [-1, 1] \otimes \cdots \otimes [-1, 1]$
  - (b) Collocate at Chebychev points,  $\theta_j = \cos\left(\frac{j\pi}{n}\right)$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \dots, n$ .
  - (c) Clenshaw-Curtis quadrature
  - (d) Barycentric Legendre polynomial evaluation
2. Presentation (and interpretation) of results is complicated.

## Expectations

Let  $\vartheta$  be a *distinguished* stochastic parameter and compute the expectation with respect to all the other stochastic parameters.

Let  $\underline{\theta} \in \hat{\Omega}$  where  $\underline{\Omega} = \Omega \setminus \text{domain}\{\vartheta\}$ . For  $\tilde{\vartheta}$ , a particular fixed value of  $\vartheta$  we compute

$$E[Q(\tilde{\vartheta})] = \int_{\underline{\Omega}} \rho(\underline{\theta}) Q(\tilde{\vartheta}, \underline{\theta}) \, d\underline{\theta} \quad \text{and} \quad E[Q^2(\tilde{\vartheta})] = \int_{\underline{\Omega}} \rho(\underline{\theta}) Q^2(\tilde{\vartheta}, \underline{\theta}) \, d\underline{\theta}$$

and so given  $\rho(\vartheta)$  we can calculate

$$\text{Var}(Q(\vartheta)) = E[Q^2(\vartheta)] - (E[Q(\vartheta)])^2.$$

This enables us to define variance-based global sensitivity measures such as the *main effect* due to  $\vartheta$

$$S_{\vartheta} = \frac{\text{Var}(Q(\vartheta))}{\text{Var}(Q)}. \quad (5)$$

## Noble 1962 solutions

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We report two *phase invariant* quantities of interest,

(a)  $\Delta t_{10\_90}$  (length of the action potential)

(b)  $\text{Area}_{10\_90}$  (area under the action potential)

for the Noble 1962 model with 10% variation in the four parameters

$g_{Na_{max}}$ ,  $g_{K_{max}}$ ,  $g_L$  and  $C_m$ , i.e.,

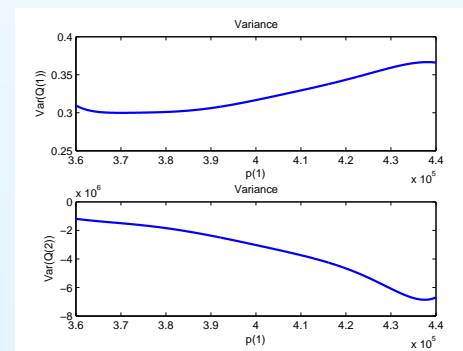
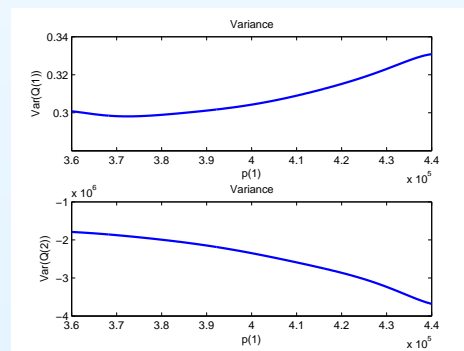
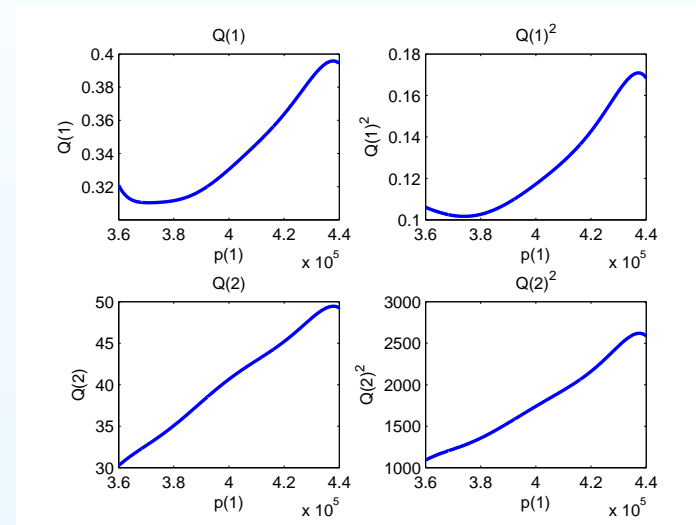
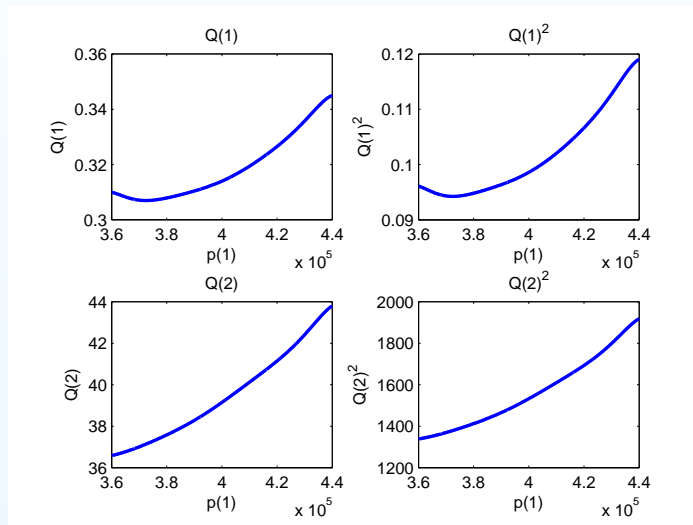
$$g_{Na_{max}} \sim \text{U}[380000, 420000] \quad g_{K_{max}} \sim \text{U}[1140, 1260]$$

$$g_L \sim \text{U}[71.25, 78.75] \quad C_m \sim \text{U}[11.4, 12.6].$$

The *distinguished* parameter is  $g_{Na_{max}} \sim \text{U}[380000, 420000]$ .

# Distinguished parameter $g_{N_{max}}$

Ranges of all stochastic parameters are  $\pm 10\%$  of their “nominal” values.



Varying  $g_{N_{max}}$  only  
(OATS)

Varying all four parameters

## Parameter estimation

1.  $M$  experimental observations  $Q(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})$  at locations  $\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, i = 1, \dots, M$
2. a “goodness-of-fit” function  $\gamma(\cdot)$ , e.g.,  $\gamma(\mathbf{u}) = \|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2$
3. a parametrized model which provides solutions  $q(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \mathbf{p})$

Find the values of the parameters  $\mathbf{p}$  so as to minimize

$$f(\mathbf{p}) = \sum_{i=1}^M \gamma(Q(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - q(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \mathbf{p})).$$

1. Assume the parameters  $\mathbf{p}$  are independent uniformly distributed random variables  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$
2. Construct polynomial approximation  $P(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \sim f(\boldsymbol{\theta})$  by evaluating  $f(\boldsymbol{\theta})$  at the nodes of an appropriate sparse grid for  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$
3. Find  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  so as to minimize  $P(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ .

(Donahue, Buzzard & Rundell)

## Inverse sensitivity analysis

1.  $MN$  observations  $(\mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}))_j, j = 1, \dots, N$  locations  $\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, i = 1, \dots, M$
2. a “goodness-of-fit” function  $\gamma(\cdot)$ , e.g.,  $\gamma(\mathbf{u}) = \|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2$
3. a parametrized model which provides solutions  $\mathbf{q}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \boldsymbol{\theta})$  at locations  $\mathbf{x}^{(i)}$  for given values of the parameters  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ .

Assume parameters  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  to be independent random variables with unknown cumulative density functions  $\mathbb{P}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ .

Find cumulative density functions  $\mathbb{P}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$  so as to minimize

$$f(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{i=1}^M \gamma \left( \mathbb{P}[\mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})] - \mathbb{P}[\mathbf{q}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \boldsymbol{\theta})] \right).$$

(Zabaras & Ganapathysubramanian, J. Comp. Phys. 2008)

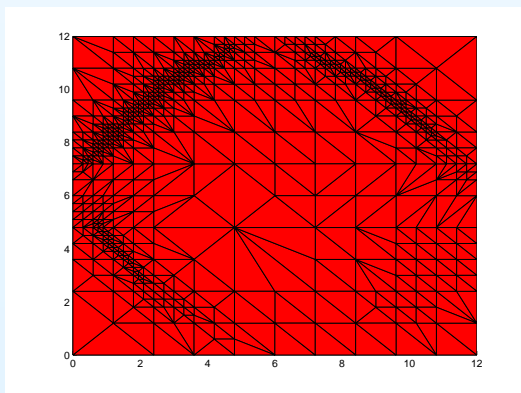
# Coupled electro-mechanical cardiac models

(With Kathryn Gillow, Alex Walter and Jon Whiteley.)

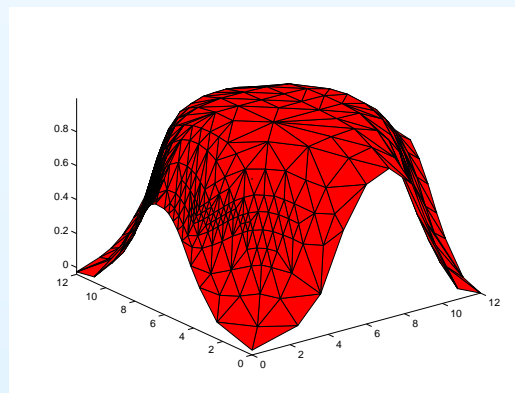
Electro-physiological models  $\rightarrow$  active tension  $\rightarrow$  (non)linear elasticity  
(e.g. Noble 1962)

**Goal:** Develop a procedure to adapt the finite element meshes for the electrical and mechanical computations independently using adjoint-based *a posteriori* error estimation that takes account of the transfer error.

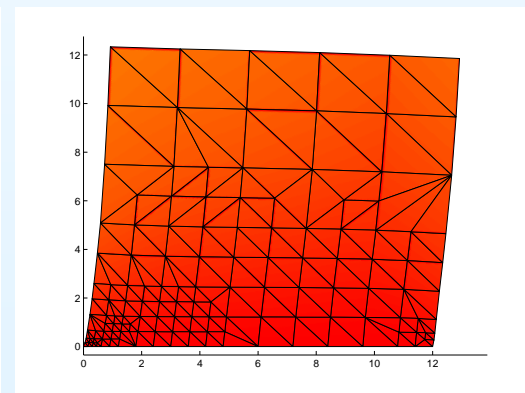
Quantity of interest equal to the average displacement



(a) electrical activity



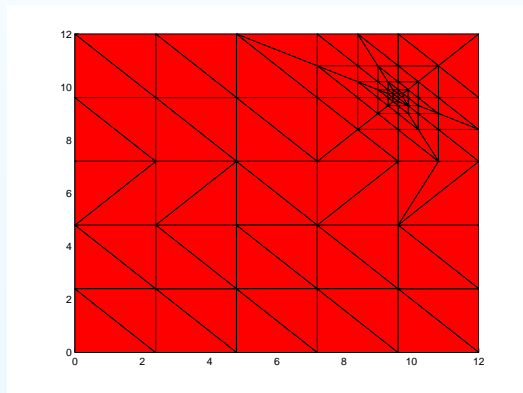
(b) active tension



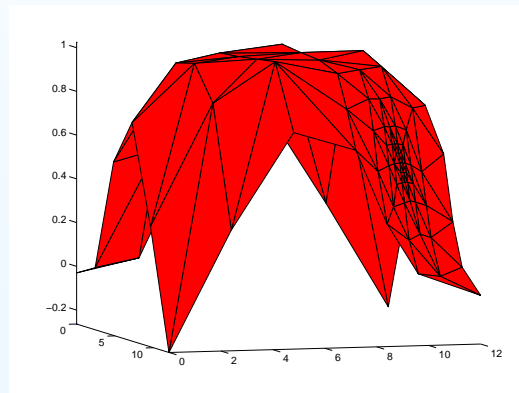
(c) elastic deformations

# Coupled electro-mechanical cardiac models

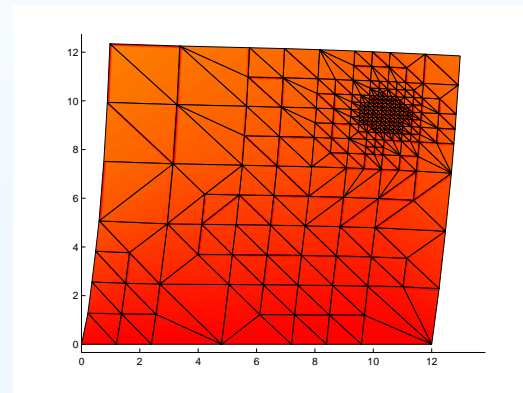
Quantity of interest equal to a localized displacement



(a) electrical activity



(b) active tension



(c) elastic deformations

## Future objectives

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- Sensitivity analysis for coupled systems
  - Pretty immediate (in the bad old ways) using derivative information at a fixed point in parameter space
- Error estimation (including transfer errors) and adaptivity for coupled systems with stochastic parameters for a particular quantity of interest
  - (Mathelin & le Maître, CAMCS 2007)
- Inverse sensitivity analysis for coupled systems with stochastic parameters