

## Research Short Summary

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- **Scientific Computing:** multiscale computation
  - complete information and models
- **Machine Learning:** Gaussian processes and kernel methods
  - missing information and recovery

- **General Goal:** identify *coarse-scale* models / solutions
- **Specific Example:** elliptic equation (Darcy's flow)

$$-\nabla \cdot (a \nabla u) = f \quad (1)$$

Condition:  $a \in L^\infty(\Omega)$ ,  $f \in L^2(\Omega)$  for bounded  $\Omega$

- **Galerkin methods:** find basis functions  $\{\psi_i\}$  that capture micro
- On a grid of mesh size  $O(H)$ , with  $O(m/H^d)$  local basis functions, we get  $O(\exp(-m^{1/(d+1)-\epsilon}))$  accuracy
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- Using  $\psi_i$  as basis functions in solving  $-\nabla \cdot (a \nabla u) = f$  is the “same” as using  $\int u \cdot (-\nabla \cdot (a \nabla \psi_i))$  as information to recover  $u$ , i.e.  
 $\phi_i = -\nabla \cdot (a \nabla \psi_i)$

$$\int u \phi_i, i \in I \rightarrow u$$

It becomes a GP method with covariance being the Green function

- Understand how the lengthscale of  $\phi_i$  and localization of  $\psi_i$  influences accuracy
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- Solving  $-\nabla \cdot (a\nabla u) = f$  by sampling some collocation points  $\{x_i\}_{i \in I}$

$$-\nabla \cdot (a\nabla u)(x_i) = f(x_i), i \in I \quad \rightarrow \quad u$$

- Linear measurements, so GP method can be applied.
  - Can be generalized to solving nonlinear PDEs and learning inverse problems
  - Y. Chen, B. Hosseini, H. Owhadi, and A. M. Stuart, “Solving and learning nonlinear pdes with Gaussian processes”, Journal of Computational Physics, vol. 447, p. 110 668, 2021.
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