

An Optimal Control Problem in Peridynamics: Analysis and Discretization

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Problem Statement

Find $(\overline{u}_\delta, \overline{g}_\delta) \in X_0 \times Z_{\text{ad}}$ such that

$$I(\overline{u}_\delta, \overline{g}_\delta) = \min_{g_\delta \in L^2, u_\delta \in X_0} \left\{ \int_{\Omega} F(x, u_\delta(x)) dx + \frac{\lambda}{2} \int_{\Omega} \Gamma(x) |g(x)|^2 dx \right\},$$

over pairs $(u_\delta, g_\delta) \in X_0 \times Z_{\text{ad}}$ that satisfy some state equation (exact form TBD)

$$B_\delta(u_\delta, w_\delta) = \int_{\Omega} g_\delta(x) \cdot w_\delta(x), \quad \forall w_\delta \in X_0.$$

where $\delta \geq 0$ is the degree of non-locality. Here \overline{g}_δ is an external force and \overline{u}_δ represents the displacement

Sample Candidate integrand

Example:

$$F(x, u(x)) = |u(x) - u_{\text{des}}(x)|^2$$

where u_{des} is the optimal shape of the material in space to fit a pre-determined hole as closely as possible



Material
(deformable)



Hole (fixed
shape)

Goals

- Show existence and uniqueness of minimizers
- Consider behavior as $\delta \rightarrow 0^+$
- Discretize via FEA
- Study simultaneous limit as $\delta, h \rightarrow 0^+$ (asymptotic compatibility)

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Motivation and Origins

For our problem the nonlocal operator is

$$\mathcal{L}_\delta u(x) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega_\delta} \mathfrak{Q}(x, y) k_\delta(|x - y|) \frac{Du(x, y)}{|x - y|} \frac{y - x}{|x - y|} dy$$

Nonlocal equations [or systems] take the form

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{L}_\delta u = g, x \in \Omega \\ u = 0, x \in \Omega_\delta \setminus \Omega \end{cases}$$

Common in solid state mechanics, including peridynamics

Motivation and Origins (continued)

Definition (PD)

Peridynamics (PD) is a nonlocal model for elasticity of solids that uses integrals over derivatives, attributed to Stewart A. Silling

Features:

- Exchanges derivatives in continuum models for integrals (helps address crack formation)
- Treats particles as having a bond between them (**bond-based model**)
- Range of interaction parameterized by δ , called **horizon**
- Material parameters represented by $\alpha(x)$ (e.g., density)
- Operator is elliptic (not parabolic or hyperbolic)

Notation

- Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a bounded domain, $\Omega_\delta := \Omega \cup \{x, \text{dist}(x, \partial\Omega) < \delta\}$
- $\Omega_\delta \setminus \Omega$ is non-local boundary
- $\mathcal{D}_\delta := (\Omega \times \Omega_\delta) \cup (\Omega_\delta \times \Omega)$
- Projected difference: $Du(x, y) := \frac{(u(x) - u(y)) \cdot (x - y)}{|x - y|}$, nonlocal linearized strain (for vector-valued functions)
- Our material coefficient function is

$$\mathfrak{a}(x, y) := \frac{\mathfrak{a}(x) + \mathfrak{a}(y)}{2},$$

where there exist $a_{\min}, a_{\max} > 0$ so $a_{\min} \leq \mathfrak{a} \leq a_{\max}$ on Ω_δ .

Properties of Kernels

Kernel sequence $\{k_\delta\}_{\delta>0}$ radial, integrable, non-negative, supported in $B(0, \delta)$, $k_\delta(r)r^{-2}$ is nonincreasing, and

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} k_\delta(\xi) d\xi = \delta_0$$

Also, for all $\delta > 0$:

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} k_\delta(\xi) d\xi = 1$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, t)} k_\delta(\xi) d\xi = 0$$

Bi-linear forms

Nonlocal bi-linear form:

$$B_\delta(u, v) := \frac{1}{2} \iint_{\mathcal{D}_\delta} \mathfrak{A}(x, y) k_\delta(x - y) \frac{Du(x, y)}{|x - y|} \frac{Dv(x, y)}{|x - y|} dx dy$$

Local bi-linear form:

$$B_0(u, v) := C(n) \int_{\Omega} \mathfrak{a}(x) (2 \langle \text{Sym}(\nabla u), \text{Sym}(\nabla v) \rangle_F + \text{div}(u) \text{div}(v)) dx,$$

with $C(n) = \frac{1}{(n+2)(n+4)}$

Inner products denoted $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_Y$; L^2 -inner product denoted $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$

Function Spaces

Our function space is based on B_δ :

$$X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n) := \{u|_\Omega \in L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n), B_\delta(u, u) < \infty\}$$

Version with zero non-local boundary data:

$$X_0(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n) := \{u \in X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n), u = 0 \text{ in } \Omega_\delta \setminus \Omega\}$$

Cost Functional Assumptions

$$I(u, g) := \int_{\Omega} F(x, u(x)) dx + \frac{\lambda}{2} \int_{\Omega} \Gamma(x) |g(x)|^2 dx.$$

Here Z_{ad} is a nonempty, closed, convex, and bounded subset of $L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$, taking the form

$$Z_{\text{ad}} = \{z \in L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n), a \preceq z \preceq b\}$$

Here $[a]_i \leq [b]_i$ for all $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ with $a = ([a]_1, \dots, [a]_n)$ and $b = ([b]_1, \dots, [b]_n)$ being vector fields in $L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$, $\lambda \geq 0$, and $\Gamma \in L^\infty(\Omega)$ is positive.

Cost Functional Assumptions (continued)

The integrand $F : \Omega \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ possesses the following properties:

- 1 For all $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ the mapping $x \mapsto F(x, v)$ is measurable;
- 2 For all $x \in \Omega$ the mapping $v \mapsto F(x, v)$ is continuous and convex;
- 3 There exist $c_1 > 0$ and $\ell \in L^1(\Omega)$

$$|F(x, v)| \leq c_1 |v|^2 + \ell(x)$$

for all $x \in \Omega$, $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Admissible Classes

$$\mathcal{A}^\delta := \{(v, f) \in X_0(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n) \times Z_{\text{ad}},$$

v solves state system with right hand side f for any $w \in X_0(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)\}$

$$\mathcal{A}^{\text{loc}} := \{(v, f) \in H_0^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n) \times Z_{\text{ad}},$$

v solves local BVP for any $w \in H_0^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)\}$

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Structural Properties

- $(X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n), \|\cdot\|_X)$ and $(X_0(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n), \|\cdot\|_X)$ are Hilbert
- Can extend $u \in X_0(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)$ by zero to any open set $B \supset \Omega_\delta$, including \mathbb{R}^n .
- $H^1(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n) \hookrightarrow X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)$
- $X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n) \in L^2(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)$

Nonlocal Poincaré Inequality

Proposition (Nonlocal Poincaré-Korn (Mengesha-Du 2014))

There exists a $\delta_0 > 0$ and a constant $C(\delta_0) > 0$ such that for all $\delta \in (0, \delta_0]$ and $u \in X_0(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)$,

$$\|u\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)}^2 \leq C(\delta_0) \int_{\Omega_\delta} \int_{\Omega_\delta} \frac{k_\delta(x-y) |Du(x,y)|^2}{|x-y|^2} dx dy.$$

Notes:

- The assumption of $k_\delta(r)r^{-2}$ being non-increasing is needed in the proof
- The projected difference vanishes under infinitesimal rigid displacements

State equation is well-posed!

Theorem (Existence and Uniqueness for State Equation)

For any $g_\delta \in L^2$, there exists a unique $u \in X_0$ such that the state system

$$B_\delta(u_\delta, w_\delta) = \langle g_\delta, w_\delta \rangle$$

is satisfied for all $w_\delta \in X_0$. Furthermore, we have the stability estimate

$$\|u_\delta\|_{X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)} \lesssim \|g_\delta\|_{X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)^*}$$

for some constant independent of δ .

Minimization Problem

Goal: find $(\bar{u}_\delta, \bar{g}_\delta) \in X_0 \times L^2$ minimizing

$$I(u_\delta, g_\delta) = \int_{\Omega} F(x, u_\delta(x)) dx + \frac{\lambda}{2} \int_{\Omega} \Gamma(x) |g_\delta(x)|^2 dx$$

subject to: $\lambda \geq 0$, $g_\delta \in Z_{ad} \subset L^2$ and $(u_\delta, g_\delta) \in X_0 \times L^2$ solving

$$B_\delta(u_\delta, v_\delta) = \int_{\Omega} g_\delta(x) \cdot v_\delta(x) dx \quad \forall v_\delta \in X_0$$

Well-posedness of optimal control problem

Theorem (Well-posedness)

There exists $(\bar{u}_\delta, \bar{g}_\delta) \in X_0(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n) \times Z_{ad}$ minimizing

$$I(u_\delta, g_\delta) = \int_{\Omega} F(x, u_\delta(x)) dx + \frac{\lambda}{2} \int_{\Omega} \Gamma(x) |g_\delta(x)|^2 dx,$$

where $\bar{u}_\delta \in X_0$ solves

$$B_\delta(u_\delta, v_\delta) = \int_{\Omega} g_\delta(x) \cdot v_\delta(x) dx \quad \forall v_\delta \in X_0$$

Furthermore, if F is strictly convex or $\lambda > 0$, then the minimizer is unique.

Use compactness to apply direct method

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Local and Nonlocal Energies

Define for $u \in L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$:

$$\widetilde{E}_\delta(u) := \iint_{\mathcal{D}_\delta} \mathfrak{a}(x, y) k_\delta(x - y) \frac{|Du(x, y)|^2}{|x - y|^2} dx dy - \int_{\Omega} \bar{g}_\delta(x) \cdot u(x) dx;$$

$$\widetilde{E}_0(u) := C(n) \int_{\Omega} \mathfrak{a}(x) (2\|\text{Sym}(\nabla u(x))\|_F^2 + \text{div}(u(x))^2) dx - \int_{\Omega} \bar{g}(x) \cdot u(x) dx,$$

where $C(n) := \frac{1}{(n+2)(n+4)}$, and $\|\cdot\|_F$ is the Fröbenius norm. Take to be $+\infty$ when not well-defined

Minimization of Local Functional

Theorem

Suppose $\{(\bar{u}_\delta, \bar{g}_\delta)\}_{\delta>0}$ denotes the sequence of minimizers for the non-local optimal control problem. If $\bar{u}_\delta \rightarrow \bar{u}$ strongly in $L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$ and $\bar{g}_\delta \rightharpoonup \bar{g}$ weakly in $L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$, then (\bar{u}, \bar{g}) is the minimizer to the local optimal control problem.

Notice $\{\bar{u}_\delta\}_{\delta>0}$ have bounded semi-norm so compactness gives \bar{u}

Notice $\{\bar{g}_\delta\}_{\delta>0}$ are bounded in $L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$ so reflexivity gives \bar{g}

Need minimizers to be preserved in limit!

Γ -Convergence

Definition

We say that the family $\widetilde{E}_\delta : L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$ Γ -converges strongly in $L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$ to $\widetilde{E}_0 : L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$ (denoted $\widetilde{E}_\delta \xrightarrow{\Gamma} \widetilde{E}_0$) if:

i) **The liminf inequality:** Assume $u_\delta \rightarrow u$ strongly in $L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$. Then

$$\widetilde{E}_0(u) \leq \liminf_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \widetilde{E}_\delta(u_\delta)$$

ii) **Recovery sequence property:** For each $u \in L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$, there exists a sequence $\{u_\delta\}_{\delta > 0}$ where $u_\delta \rightarrow u$ strongly in $L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$ and

$$\limsup_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \widetilde{E}_\delta(u_\delta) \leq \widetilde{E}_0(u)$$

Highlights: Recovery Sequence Proof

Use Taylor on $\widetilde{E}_\delta(u)$ and symmetry of \mathfrak{A} , focus on controlling

$$C \int_{\Omega_\delta} \int_{\Omega_\delta} \mathfrak{a}(y) k_\delta(x-y) |x-y| dx dy;$$

$$\int_{\Omega_\delta} \int_{\Omega_\delta} \mathfrak{a}(y) k_\delta(x-y) \left\langle \text{Sym}(\nabla u(x)) \frac{x-y}{|x-y|}, \frac{x-y}{|x-y|} \right\rangle^2 dx dy$$

For first integral: decays to 0 due to support of k_δ and boundedness of Ω

Handle second integral with Fubini, change of variables

Recovery sequence is $u_\delta := u$!

Needed Compactness Result

Proposition (Mengesha-Du 2014)

Suppose $\{u_\delta\}_{\delta>0} \subset L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$ is a bounded family of vector fields such that

$$\sup_{\delta>0} \int_{\Omega_\delta} \int_{\Omega_\delta} k_\delta(x-y) \frac{|Du_\delta(x,y)|^2}{|x-y|^2} dx dy < \infty,$$

where $k_\delta(r)r^{-2}$ is nonincreasing; then the family has compact closure in $L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$, and any limit point u belongs to $H^1(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)$

In fact, we can show $u \in H_0^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$!

Highlights: Lim-inf Inequality Proof

Goal:

$$\widetilde{E}_0(u) \leq \liminf_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \widetilde{E}_\delta(u_\delta)$$

- Assume without loss of generality $\liminf_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \widetilde{E}_\delta(u_\delta) < \infty$
- Use compactness, conclude limit point $u \in H_0^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$
- Prove liminf inequality for the following forms of α : indicator functions; simple functions; non-negative $L^\infty(\Omega)$ functions

Preservation of Minimizers

Lemma

If $\{v_\delta\}_{\delta>0}$ is a sequence of minimizers for $\{\widetilde{E}_\delta\}_{\delta>0}$ over $L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$, v is a limit point of this sequence, and $\widetilde{E}_\delta \xrightarrow{\Gamma} \widetilde{E}_0$, then v is a minimizer of \widetilde{E}_0 on $L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$.
Finally,

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \widetilde{E}_\delta(v_\delta) = \widetilde{E}_0(v)$$

Tying Together Optimal Control

Since $(0, \bar{g}_\delta) \in \mathcal{A}^\delta$ for each $\delta > 0$, we have $\widetilde{E}_\delta(\bar{u}_\delta) \leq 0$; rearrange and use nonlocal Poincaré to get

$$[\bar{u}_\delta]_{X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)} \leq C \|\bar{g}_\delta\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)} \leq M$$

Finally, for any $(v, f) \in \mathcal{A}^{\text{loc}}$,

$$I(\bar{u}, \bar{g}) \leq \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} I(\bar{u}_\delta, \bar{g}_\delta) \leq \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} I(f, v_\delta) \leq I(f, v),$$

where (v_δ, f) are solutions to the non-local state equation.

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Non-local discrete problem statement

Find $(\overline{u_{\delta,h}}, \overline{g_{\delta,h}}) \in X_{\delta,h} \times Z_h$ such that

$$I(\overline{u_{\delta,h}}, \overline{g_{\delta,h}}) = \min_{u_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}, g_{\delta,h} \in Z_h} I(u_{\delta,h}, g_{\delta,h}),$$

over pairs $(u_{\delta,h}, g_{\delta,h}) \in X_{\delta,h} \times Z_h$ that satisfy

$$B_{\delta}(u_{\delta,h}, v_{\delta,h}) = \langle g_{\delta,h}, v_{\delta,h} \rangle, \quad \forall v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}.$$

Recap:

$$I(u_{\delta,h}, g_{\delta,h}) := \int_{\Omega} F(x, u_{\delta,h}(x)) dx + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|g_{\delta,h}\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)}^2$$

Henceforth assume $\Gamma \equiv 1$

Local discrete problem statement

Find $(\bar{u}_h, \bar{g}_h) \in X_h \times Z_h$ such that

$$I(\bar{u}_h, \bar{g}_h) = \min_{u_h \in X_h, g_h \in Z_h} I(u_h, g_h),$$

over pairs $(u_h, g_h) \in X_h \times Z_h$ that satisfy

$$B_0(u_h, v_h) = \langle g_h, v_h \rangle, \quad \forall v_h \in Z_h.$$

Notation

- Mesh family: $\{\mathcal{T}_h\}_{h>0}$ (discretizing Ω_δ) shape-regular and quasi-uniform
- Piecewise polynomials of degree m (with respect to our mesh):

$$\mathcal{P}_m(T; \mathbb{R}^n) := \left\{ \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^n : \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \leq m} v_\alpha x_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots x_n^{\alpha_n} \mid v_\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^n, (x_i)_{i=1}^n \in T \right\}$$

- Discretized state space: $X_{\delta,h} := X_h := \{w_h \in C^0(\overline{\Omega_\delta}; \mathbb{R}^n) \mid w_h|_T \in \mathcal{P}_1(T; \mathbb{R}^n) \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h, w_h = 0 \text{ on } \Omega_\delta \setminus \Omega\}$
- Discretized control space: $Z_h := \{z_h|_T \in \mathcal{P}_0(T; \mathbb{R}^n) \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h\}$
- $\Pi_0 : Z_{\text{ad}} \rightarrow Z_h$ is piecewise constant projection by averages on each triangle

Notation (continued)

Nonlocal discrete control space: $(X_{\delta,h}, \|\cdot\|_X)$

Local discrete control space $(X_h, \|\cdot\|_{H^1})$

$$\mathcal{A}_h^\delta := \{(w_{\delta,h}, f_{\delta,h}) \in X_{\delta,h} \times Z_h,$$

$w_{\delta,h}$ solves system with right-hand side $f_{\delta,h}$ for any $v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}\}$

$$\mathcal{A}_h^{\text{loc}} := \{(w_h, f_h) \in X_h \times Z_h,$$

w_h solves local system with right-hand side f_h for any $v_h \in X_h\}$

Optimality Conditions Preliminaries

Reduced cost functional:

$$j(g_\delta) := \int_{\Omega} F(x, S_\delta g_\delta(x)) dx + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|g_\delta\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)}^2$$

Assume now that

$$F(x, v) := \frac{1}{2} |v|^2.$$

First-order necessary condition:

$$\langle j'(\bar{g}_\delta), \gamma_z - \bar{g}_\delta \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall \gamma_z \in Z_{\text{ad}}$$

Optimality Conditions

Non-local continuous optimality conditions (including adjoint)

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \bar{p}_\delta + \lambda \bar{g}_\delta, \gamma_z - \bar{g}_\delta \rangle &\geq 0, \quad \forall \gamma_z \in Z_{\text{ad}} \\ \bar{p}_\delta &= S_\delta^* F_u(\cdot, \bar{u}_\delta) = S_\delta F_u(\cdot, \bar{u}_\delta) \\ \bar{u}_\delta &= S_\delta \bar{g}_\delta. \end{aligned}$$

Projection formula:

$$\bar{g}_\delta(x) = \mathbb{P}_{Z_{\text{ad}}} \left(-\frac{1}{\lambda} \bar{p}_\delta(x) \right).$$

NOTE: No second-order optimality conditions needed (strict convexity!)

Optimality Conditions (discretized)

Non-local discrete optimality conditions (including adjoint)

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \overline{p_{\delta,h}} + \lambda \overline{g_{\delta,h}}, \gamma_h - \overline{g_{\delta,h}} \rangle &\geq 0, \quad \forall \gamma_h \in Z_{\text{ad}} \cap Z_h \\ \overline{p_{\delta,h}} &= S_{\delta,h}^* F_u(\cdot, \overline{u_{\delta,h}}) = S_{\delta,h} F_u(\cdot, \overline{u_{\delta,h}}) \\ \overline{u_{\delta,h}} &= S_{\delta,h} \overline{g_{\delta,h}}. \end{aligned}$$

Projection formula:

$$\overline{g_{\delta,h}}(x) = \mathbb{P}_{Z_{\text{ad}}} \left(-\frac{1}{\lambda} \Pi_0 \overline{p_{\delta,h}}(x) \right)$$

Intermediary Functions

By Lax-Milgram, we may define $\hat{u}_\delta, \hat{p}_\delta \in X_0(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)$ such that

$$B_\delta(\hat{u}_\delta, v_\delta) = \langle \overline{g_{\delta,h}}, v_\delta \rangle \quad \forall v_\delta \in X_0(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n);$$

$$B_\delta(v_\delta, \hat{p}_\delta) = \langle v_\delta, \overline{u_{\delta,h}} \rangle \quad \forall v_\delta \in X_0(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n);$$

also define $\hat{u}_h, \hat{p}_h \in H_0^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$ such that

$$B_0(\hat{u}_h, v) = \langle \overline{g_h}, v \rangle \quad \forall v \in H_0^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n);$$

$$B_0(v, \hat{p}_h) = \langle v, \hat{u}_h \rangle \quad \forall v \in H_0^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n).$$

Control and State Error Estimate

Theorem (State and Adjoint Error Estimates)

Suppose that $(\overline{u}_{\delta,h}, \overline{g}_{\delta,h})$ is the solution to the non-local discrete problem, $\overline{p}_{\delta,h}$ solves the discrete adjoint equation given $\overline{u}_{\delta,h}$; $(\overline{u}_{\delta}, \overline{g}_{\delta})$ is the solution to the nonlocal continuous problem; and \overline{p}_{δ} solves the continuous adjoint equation given \overline{u}_{δ} . Then

$$\|\overline{u}_{\delta} - \overline{u}_{\delta,h}\|_{X(\Omega_{\delta}; \mathbb{R}^n)} \lesssim \inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} \|\widehat{u}_{\delta} - v_{\delta,h}\|_{X(\Omega_{\delta}; \mathbb{R}^n)} + \|\overline{g}_{\delta} - \overline{g}_{\delta,h}\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)};$$

$$\|\overline{p}_{\delta} - \overline{p}_{\delta,h}\|_{X(\Omega_{\delta}; \mathbb{R}^n)} \lesssim \inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} \|\widehat{p}_{\delta} - v_{\delta,h}\|_{X(\Omega_{\delta}; \mathbb{R}^n)} + \inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} \|\widehat{u}_{\delta} - v_{\delta,h}\|_{X(\Omega_{\delta}; \mathbb{R}^n)} + \|\overline{g}_{\delta} - \overline{g}_{\delta,h}\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)}$$

State and Adjoint Error Estimates (continued)

Proof strategy for state error:

- Test with $v_\delta := \bar{u}_\delta - \hat{u}_\delta$ in state system and intermediary equation, subtract
- Use Hölder Inequality to get $\|\bar{u}_\delta - \hat{u}_\delta\|_{X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)} \lesssim \|\bar{g}_\delta - \bar{g}_{\delta,h}\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)}$
- Use Ceá's Lemma on space $X_{\delta,h}$

Note: Adjoint error estimate proven by same strategy

State and Adjoint Error Estimates (local)

Theorem

Let (\bar{u}, \bar{g}) denote the solution to the local continuous problem, while (\bar{u}_h, \bar{g}_h) is the solution to the local discrete problem. Assume also that \bar{p} denotes the solution to the continuous adjoint problem, while \bar{p}_h solves the discrete adjoint problem. Then,

$$\|\bar{u} - \bar{u}_h\|_{H^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)} \lesssim \inf_{v_h \in X_h} [\hat{u}_h - v_h]_{H^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)} + \|\bar{g} - \bar{g}_h\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)};$$

$$\|\bar{p} - \bar{p}_h\|_{H^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)} \lesssim \inf_{v_{\delta, h} \in X_h} [\hat{p}_h - v_h]_{H^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)} + \inf_{v_h \in X_h} [\hat{u}_h - v_h]_{H^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)} + \|\bar{g} - \bar{g}_h\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)}.$$

Control Convergence

Theorem (Convergence of Controls)

Assume that \overline{g}_δ is the optimal control associated with the nonlocal continuous problem, and $\overline{g}_{\delta,h}$ be the discrete optimal control. Then we have the convergence

$$\begin{aligned} \|\overline{g}_\delta - \overline{g}_{\delta,h}\|_{L^2(\Omega;\mathbb{R}^n)}^2 &\lesssim \omega(h) + \left(\inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} [\overline{u}_\delta - v_{\delta,h}]_{X(\Omega_\delta;\mathbb{R}^n)} \right)^2 \\ &\quad + \left(\inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} [\overline{p}_\delta - v_{\delta,h}]_{X(\Omega_\delta;\mathbb{R}^n)} \right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

▶ Proof

Non-local Problem Convergence: Summary

Corollary (Full Norm Solution Convergence)

In the setting of our problem formulation,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\overline{u_\delta} - \overline{u_{\delta,h}}\|_{X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)} \lesssim \omega(h) + \inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} \|\widehat{u}_\delta - v_{\delta,h}\|_{X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)} + \\ \inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} [\overline{u_\delta} - v_{\delta,h}]_{X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)} + \inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} [\overline{p_\delta} - v_{\delta,h}]_{X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)}; \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\overline{p_\delta} - \overline{p_{\delta,h}}\|_{X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)} \lesssim \omega(h) + \inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} \|\widehat{p}_h - v_{\delta,h}\|_{X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)} + \inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} \|\widehat{u}_\delta - v_{\delta,h}\|_{X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)} \\ + \inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} [\overline{u_\delta} - v_{\delta,h}]_{X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)} + \inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} [\overline{p_\delta} - v_{\delta,h}]_{X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)}. \end{aligned}$$

Local Convergence Results

Theorem

Suppose (\bar{u}, \bar{g}) denotes the solution to the local continuous problem, while (\bar{u}_h, \bar{g}_h) is the solution to the local discrete problem, and \bar{p} and \bar{p}_h solve the respective adjoint problems. We have the estimates

$$\|\bar{u} - \bar{u}_h\|_{H^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)} \lesssim \inf_{v_h \in X_h} [\hat{u} - v_h]_{H^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)} + \|\bar{g} - \bar{g}_h\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)};$$

$$\|\bar{p} - \bar{p}_h\|_{H^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)} \lesssim \inf_{v_h \in X_h} [\hat{p} - v_h]_{H^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)} + \inf_{v_h \in X_h} [\hat{u} - v_h]_{H^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)} + \|\bar{g} - \bar{g}_h\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)}.$$

$$\|\bar{g} - \bar{g}_h\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)} \lesssim h + \inf_{v_h \in X_h} [\bar{p} - v_h]_{H^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)} + \inf_{v_h \in X_h} [\bar{u} - v_h]_{H^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)}.$$

Discrete Analogues of Convergence

Proposition (Γ -convergence of discrete problems)

We have that $\widetilde{E}_\delta \xrightarrow{\Gamma} \widetilde{E}_0$ in the family of spaces $\{X_{\delta,h}\}_{\delta>0}$ in the strong $L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$ topology.

Theorem (Discrete Convergence)

Suppose $\{(\overline{u}_{\delta,h}, \overline{g}_{\delta,h})\}_{\delta>0} \in \mathcal{A}_h^\delta$ is the family of solutions to the non-local discrete problem. Then, there is $(\overline{u}_h, \overline{g}_h) \in \mathcal{A}_h^{\text{loc}}$ such that $\overline{u}_{\delta,h} \rightarrow \overline{u}_h$ in $L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$ and $\overline{g}_{\delta,h} \rightharpoonup \overline{g}_h$ in $L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$. Moreover, $(\overline{u}_h, \overline{g}_h)$ solves the local discrete optimal control problem.

Outline

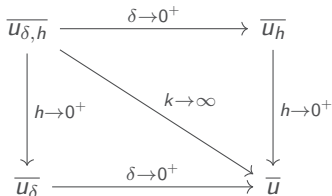
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What is asymptotic compatibility?

- Introduced by X. Tian and Q. Du (2014)
- Originally developed for linear, non-local state equations
- Unconditional convergence of approximations in both discretization and horizon parameters

Definition (Asymptotic Compatibility)

Given fixed data f in a Hilbert Space, the family of solutions $\{u_{\delta,h}\}_{\delta,h>0}$ is **asymptotically compatible** in $\delta, h > 0$ if for any sequences $\{\delta_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}, \{h_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ with $\delta_k, h_k \rightarrow 0$, we have that $u_{\delta_k, h_k} \rightarrow u_0$ strongly in some Hilbert space norm, where u_0 is the solution to a local, continuous problem.



What is asymptotic compatibility? (continued)

Definition (Asymptotic Compatibility for Optimal Control)

We say that the family of solutions $\{(\overline{u}_{\delta,h}, \overline{g}_{\delta,h})\}_{h>0, \delta>0}$ to the nonlocal discrete optimal control problem is **asymptotically compatible** in $\delta, h > 0$ if for any sequences $\{\delta_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}, \{h_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ with $\delta_k, h_k \rightarrow 0$, we have that $\overline{g}_{\delta_k, h_k} \rightharpoonup \overline{g}$ weakly in $L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$, and $\overline{u}_{\delta_k, h_k} \rightarrow \overline{u}$ strongly in $L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$. Here $(\overline{u}, \overline{g}) \in H_0^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n) \times Z_{\text{ad}}$ denotes the optimal solution for the local continuous problem.

NOTE: In particular, $H_0^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$ is the limiting space of $X_0(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)$ as $\delta \rightarrow 0^+$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (\overline{u}_{\delta,h}, \overline{g}_{\delta,h}) & \xrightarrow{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} & (\overline{u}_h, \overline{g}_h) \\
 \downarrow h \rightarrow 0^+ & \searrow k \rightarrow \infty & \downarrow h \rightarrow 0^+ \\
 (\overline{u}_\delta, \overline{g}_\delta) & \xrightarrow{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} & (\overline{u}, \overline{g})
 \end{array}$$

Asymptotic compatibility: result and notation

Theorem

Assume \mathfrak{A} is Lipschitz. Then, our family of optimal control problems is asymptotically compatible as $\delta, h \rightarrow 0^+$.

Define $A_\delta : X_0(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow (X_0(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n))^*$ as the invertible operator such that

$$\langle A_\delta u, v \rangle_{X_0^*, X_0} = B_\delta(u, v) \quad \forall u, v \in X_0(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n);$$

define $A_0 : H_0^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow H^{-1}(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$ as the invertible operator such that

$$\langle A_0 u, v \rangle_{H^{-1}, H_0^1} = B_0(u, v) \quad \forall u, v \in H_0^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n).$$

Proof of asymptotic compatibility

Needed preliminaries:

- 1 Given a $v \in H_0^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$, and $h_k, \delta_k \rightarrow 0$, we can find a sequence $v_k \in X_{\delta_k, h_k}$ such that $v_k \rightarrow v$ strongly in $H^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$.
- 2 For any sequences $\{\delta_k\}_{k=1}^\infty, \{h_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$ with $\delta_k, h_k \rightarrow 0$, there exists a $C > 0$ so that $\|\overline{u_{\delta_k, h_k}}\|_{X(\Omega_{\delta_k}; \mathbb{R}^n)} \leq C$ uniformly in $k \in \mathbb{N}^+$.
- 3 We have that $A_\delta u \in L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$ and $\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \|A_\delta u - A_0 u\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)} = 0$ for each $u \in C_0^\infty(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$.

Pick sub-sequence of $\{(\overline{u_k}, \overline{g_k}, \overline{p_k})\}_{k=1}^\infty$ so there is a limit point $(u_*, g_*, p_*) \in H_0^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n) \times Z_{\text{ad}} \times H_0^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$ with convergence in appropriate topology

Proof of asymptotic compatibility (continued)

Step 1: Show that $B_0(u_*, \varphi) = \langle g_*, \varphi \rangle$ for all $\varphi \in H_0^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$

Pick $\varphi \in C_0^\infty(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$, let $w_k := I_k \varphi$ (nodal interpolation), $w_k \rightarrow \varphi$ in $W^{1,\infty}(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$, then compute limit as $k \rightarrow \infty$ of

$$B_{\delta_k}(\overline{u}_k, w_k) = \langle A_{\delta_k} \varphi, \overline{u}_k \rangle_{X_0^*, X_0} + \langle A_{\delta_k}(w_k - \varphi), \overline{u}_k \rangle_{X_0^*, X_0} =: I_k + II_k.$$

Step 2: Show that $B_0(\varphi, p_*) = \langle u_*, \varphi \rangle$ for all $\varphi \in H_0^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$

Strategy is identical to Step 1!

Step 3: Show that $g_*(x) = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \mathbb{P}_{Z_{\text{ad}}}(p_*(x))$

Recall that $\overline{g}_k(x) = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \mathbb{P}_{Z_{\text{ad}}}(\Pi_0 \overline{p}_k(x))$, show $\Pi_0 \overline{p}_k \rightarrow p_*$ strongly in $L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$

Proof of asymptotic compatibility (continued)

Step 4: Unraveling

- Steps 1-3 and uniqueness of solutions to optimality system give $\bar{u} = u_*$, $\bar{g} = g_*$, and $\bar{p} = p_*$
- This is the limit point reached for any sub-sequence of original sequence
- Entire sequence of triples $\{(\bar{u}_k, \bar{g}_k, \bar{p}_k)\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ converges to $(\bar{u}, \bar{g}, \bar{p})$

Recap and closing

- Showed existence and uniqueness of minimizers
- Considered behavior as $\delta \rightarrow 0^+$
- Discretized via FEAs
- Studied simultaneous limit as $\delta, h \rightarrow 0^+$ (asymptotic compatibility)

Thank you! Questions?

ArXiv preprint: <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2304.09328.pdf>

Auxiliary Lemmas

Lemma (Regularity of Control for Fractional-Type Kernels)

Suppose that

$$\frac{c}{|\xi|^{n+2s}} \leq \frac{k_\delta(\xi)}{|\xi|^2} \leq \frac{C}{|\xi|^{n+2s}}$$

holds for all $\xi \in B(0, \delta)$, for some $s \neq \frac{1}{2}$. Then necessarily $\overline{g}_\delta \in X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)$.

Proof strategy:

- Mengesha-Du 2016 says that $H^s(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n) = X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)$ here
- Use projection formula $\overline{g}_\delta(x) = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \mathbb{P}_{Z_{\text{ad}}}(\overline{p}_\delta(x))$
- This pointwise projection is continuous in H^s semi-norm but not X semi-norm!

Auxiliary Lemmas (continued)

Lemma (Approximation)

If $w \in L^2(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)$, then

$$\|\Pi_0 w - w\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)} \leq \omega(h),$$

where $\Pi_0 : L^2(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow Z_h$ denotes the projection of a function onto the piecewise constants with respect to the given mesh. If in fact $w \in X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)$ and k_δ satisfies the fractional inequality on $B(0, \delta)$ for some $s \neq \frac{1}{2}$, then

$$\|\Pi_0 w - w\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)} \lesssim h^s \|w\|_{X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)}.$$

Control Convergence (continued)

Galerkin Approximations:

$q_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}$ be the Galerkin approximation to $\overline{p_\delta}$, i.e., the solution of

$$B_\delta(v_{\delta,h}, q_{\delta,h}) = \langle \overline{u_\delta}, v_{\delta,h} \rangle \quad \forall v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}.$$

$U_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}$ for $\overline{u_\delta}$:

$$B_\delta(U_{\delta,h}, v_{\delta,h}) = \langle \overline{g_\delta}, v_{\delta,h} \rangle \quad \forall v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}.$$

$r_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}$ solves

$$B_\delta(v_{\delta,h}, r_{\delta,h}) = \langle U_{\delta,h}, v_{\delta,h} \rangle \quad \forall v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}.$$

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Control Convergence (continued)

Let $l_1 := \langle \overline{p}_\delta - \overline{p}_{\delta,h}, \overline{g}_{\delta,h} - \overline{g}_\delta \rangle$ and $l_2 := \langle \overline{p}_{\delta,h} + \lambda \overline{g}_{\delta,h}, \Pi_0 \overline{g}_\delta - \overline{g}_\delta \rangle$. Using optimality conditions gives

$$\lambda \|\overline{g}_\delta - \overline{g}_{\delta,h}\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)}^2 \leq l_1 + l_2.$$

$$l_1 = \langle \overline{p}_\delta - q_{\delta,h}, \overline{g}_{\delta,h} - \overline{g}_\delta \rangle + \langle q_{\delta,h} - r_{\delta,h}, \overline{g}_{\delta,h} - \overline{g}_\delta \rangle + \langle r_{\delta,h} - \overline{p}_{\delta,h}, \overline{g}_{\delta,h} - \overline{g}_\delta \rangle =: l_{1,1} + l_{1,2} + l_{1,3}.$$

By use of Galerkin approximations, find that $l_{1,3} \leq 0$ and

$$l_{1,1} \lesssim \|\overline{g}_{\delta,h} - \overline{g}_\delta\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)} \inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} [\overline{p}_\delta - v_{\delta,h}]_{X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)};$$

$$l_{1,2} \lesssim \|\overline{g}_{\delta,h} - \overline{g}_\delta\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)} \inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} [\overline{u}_\delta - v_{\delta,h}]_{X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)}.$$

Control Convergence (continued)

By Young's Inequality,

$$I_1 \leq \frac{\lambda}{3} \|\overline{g}_{\delta,h} - \overline{g}_{\delta}\|_{L^2(\Omega;\mathbb{R}^n)}^2 + C \left(\inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} [\overline{u}_{\delta} - v_{\delta,h}]_{X(\Omega_{\delta};\mathbb{R}^n)} \right)^2 + C \left(\inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} [\overline{p}_{\delta} - v_{\delta,h}]_{X(\Omega_{\delta};\mathbb{R}^n)} \right)^2.$$

Control Convergence (continued)

Now we write l_2 as

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \overline{p}_{\delta,h} + \lambda \overline{g}_{\delta,h}, \Pi_0 \overline{g}_{\delta} - \overline{g}_{\delta} \rangle &= \langle \overline{p}_{\delta} + \lambda \overline{g}_{\delta}, \Pi_0 \overline{g}_{\delta} - \overline{g}_{\delta} \rangle + \lambda \langle \overline{g}_{\delta,h} - \overline{g}_{\delta}, \Pi_0 \overline{g}_{\delta} - \overline{g}_{\delta} \rangle + \\ &\langle \overline{p}_{\delta,h} - r_{\delta,h}, \Pi_0 \overline{g}_{\delta} - \overline{g}_{\delta} \rangle + \langle r_{\delta,h} - q_{\delta,h}, \Pi_0 \overline{g}_{\delta} - \overline{g}_{\delta} \rangle + \langle q_{\delta,h} - \overline{p}_{\delta}, \Pi_0 \overline{g}_{\delta} - \overline{g}_{\delta} \rangle =: \\ &l_{2,1} + l_{2,2} + l_{2,3} + l_{2,4} + l_{2,5}. \end{aligned}$$

Control Convergence (continued)

Use that $\Pi_0(\bar{p}_\delta + \lambda \bar{g}_\delta) = 0$ to estimate $l_{2,1}$ as

$$l_{2,1} \leq \omega(h).$$

For $l_{2,2}$, use Cauchy and stability:

$$l_{2,2} \leq \frac{\lambda}{3} \|\bar{g}_{\delta,h} - \bar{g}_\delta\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)}^2 + \omega(h),$$

Control Convergence (continued)

For $l_{2,3}$, use Galerkin approximations and the stability:

$$l_{2,3} \leq \omega(h)^2 + \left(\inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} [\bar{u}_{\delta} - v_{\delta,h}]_{X(\Omega_{\delta}; \mathbb{R}^n)} \right)^2$$

For $l_{2,4}$ and $l_{2,5}$, use Céa's lemma and Cauchy:

$$l_{2,4} \leq \omega(h)^2 + \left(\inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} [\bar{u}_{\delta} - v_{\delta,h}]_{X(\Omega_{\delta}; \mathbb{R}^n)} \right)^2 ;$$

$$l_{2,5} \leq \omega(h)^2 + \left(\inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} [\bar{p}_{\delta} - v_{\delta,h}]_{X(\Omega_{\delta}; \mathbb{R}^n)} \right)^2 .$$

Control Convergence (continued)

Use Young's Inequality and combine all the estimates to get

$$\frac{\lambda}{3} \|\overline{g_\delta} - \overline{g_{\delta,h}}\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)}^2 \lesssim \omega(h)^2 + \left(\inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} [\overline{u_\delta} - v_{\delta,h}]_{X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)} \right)^2 + \left(\inf_{v_{\delta,h} \in X_{\delta,h}} [\overline{p_\delta} - v_{\delta,h}]_{X(\Omega_\delta; \mathbb{R}^n)} \right)^2.$$

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