Recursive POD for real time simulations of a ventilated temperature-controlled room

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The Proper Orthogonal Decomposition (POD) [1], also known as Principal Component Analysis (PCA) in statistics and Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) in linear algebra (see e.g. [4] for a general overview), is an information compression technique. It finds its natural applications in a wide variety of fields, such as in digital image compression, bioinformatics, signal processing and resolution of PDEs, see e.g. [3]. However, it is well suited only for bivariate problems.

Therefore, we extend the POD approximation for multivariate functions with an arbitrary number of parameters [2], for which we prove general error estimates. Furthermore, comparisons with other techniques are also carried out. Having such a versatile method for high dimensions in applications turns out to be meaningful. We thus give an example about the estimation of the thermal resistance coefficients in buildings (refer e.g. to [5]). Such issue is a typical example of multivariate problem for which we need reliable approximations via tensor decomposition techniques.

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