

A CERTIFIED REDUCED BASIS METHOD FOR THE PARAMETRIZED UNSTEADY BOUSSINESQ EQUATIONS

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ABSTRACT

We present a computational framework for certified reduced basis approximation of the parametrized unsteady Boussinesq equations. This framework involves several essential ingredients, namely, (i) Galerkin projection onto a low-dimensional space associated with a smooth parametric manifold — to provide dimension reduction; (ii) an efficient POD-Greedy sampling method for identification of “optimal” and numerically stable approximations — to yield rapid convergence; (iii) accurate (Online) calculation of the solution-dependent stability factor by the Successive Constraint Method — to quantify the growth of perturbations/residuals in time; (iv) rigorous *a posteriori* bounds for the errors in the reduced basis approximation and associated outputs — to provide *certainty* in our predictions; and (v) an Offline-Online computational decomposition strategy for our reduced basis approximation and associated error bound — to minimize marginal cost and hence achieve high performance in the real-time and many-query contexts.

The method is applied to a transient natural convection problem and numerical results indicate that the reduced basis approximation converges rapidly. Furthermore, the (inexpensive) rigorous *a posteriori* error bounds remain practicable for parameter domains and final times of physical interest.

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