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## Introduction to quasi-Monte Carlo methods, with application to PDEs with random coefficients

### Part 2

## Application of QMC methods to PDEs with random coefficients

– a survey of analysis and implementation

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# Outline

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- Motivating example – a flow through a porous medium
- Quasi-Monte Carlo (**QMC**) methods
- Component-by-component (**CBC**) construction
- Application of QMC theory to PDEs with random coefficients
  - estimate the norm
  - choose the weights
- Software

<http://people.cs.kuleuven.be/~dirk.nuyens/qmc4pde>
- Concluding remarks

# Motivating example

Uncertainty in groundwater flow

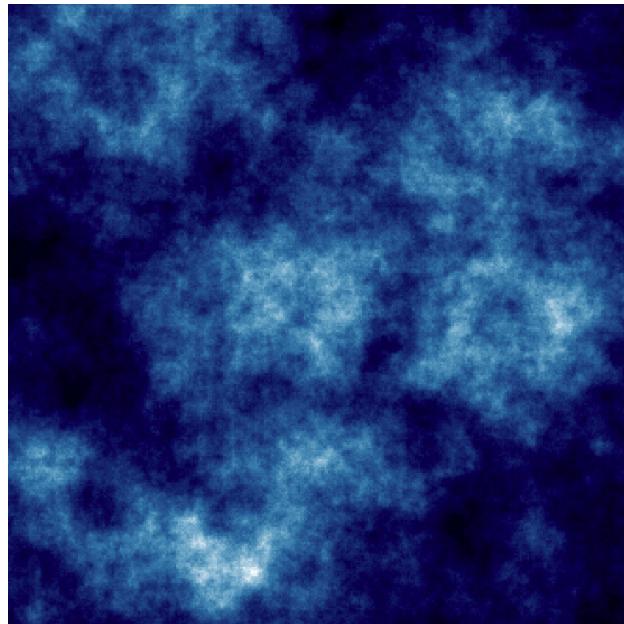
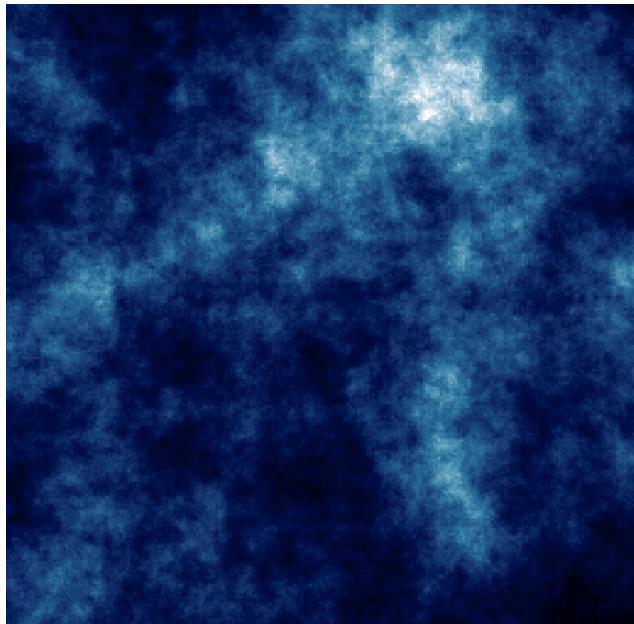
eg. risk analysis of radwaste disposal or CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration

Darcy's law

mass conservation law

$$\begin{aligned} q + \textcolor{red}{a} \vec{\nabla} p &= \kappa \\ \nabla \cdot q &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad \text{in } D \subset \mathbb{R}^{\textcolor{violet}{d}}, \textcolor{violet}{d} = 1, 2, 3$$

together with boundary conditions



Uncertainty in  $a(\mathbf{x}, \omega)$  leads to uncertainty in  $q(\mathbf{x}, \omega)$  and  $p(\mathbf{x}, \omega)$

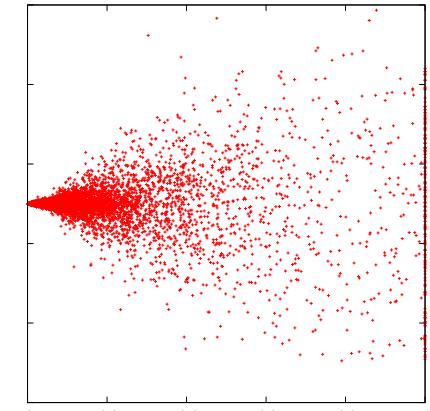
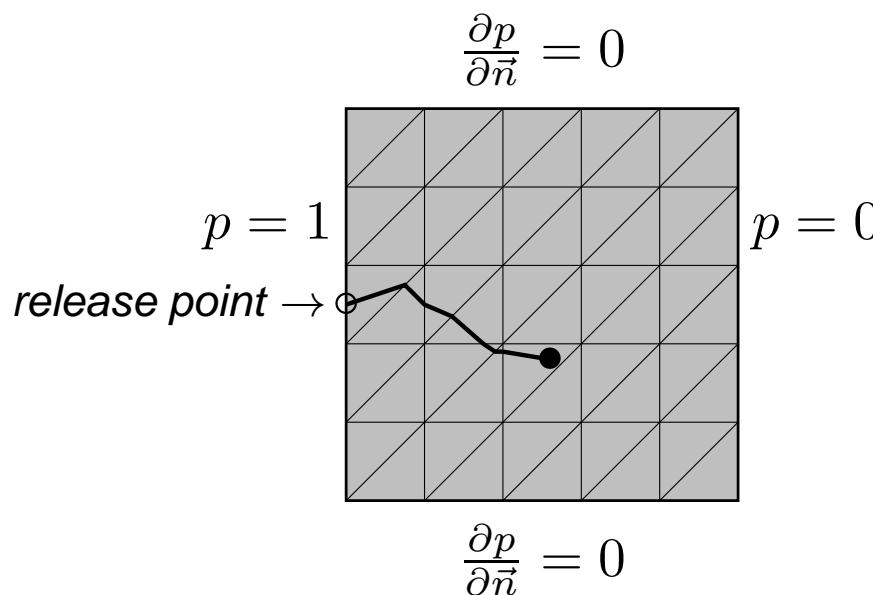
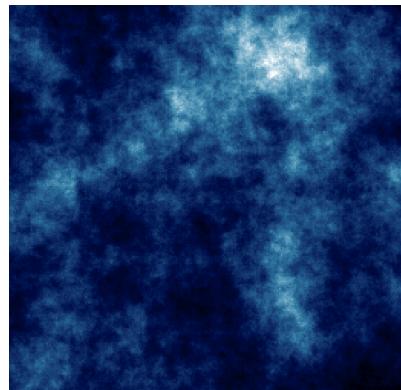
# Expected values of quantities of interest

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(Some approximation may be required)
2. For each realization, solve the PDE using e.g. FEM / FVM / mFEM
3. Take the average of all solutions from different realizations

This describes Monte Carlo simulation.

**Example:** particle dispersion



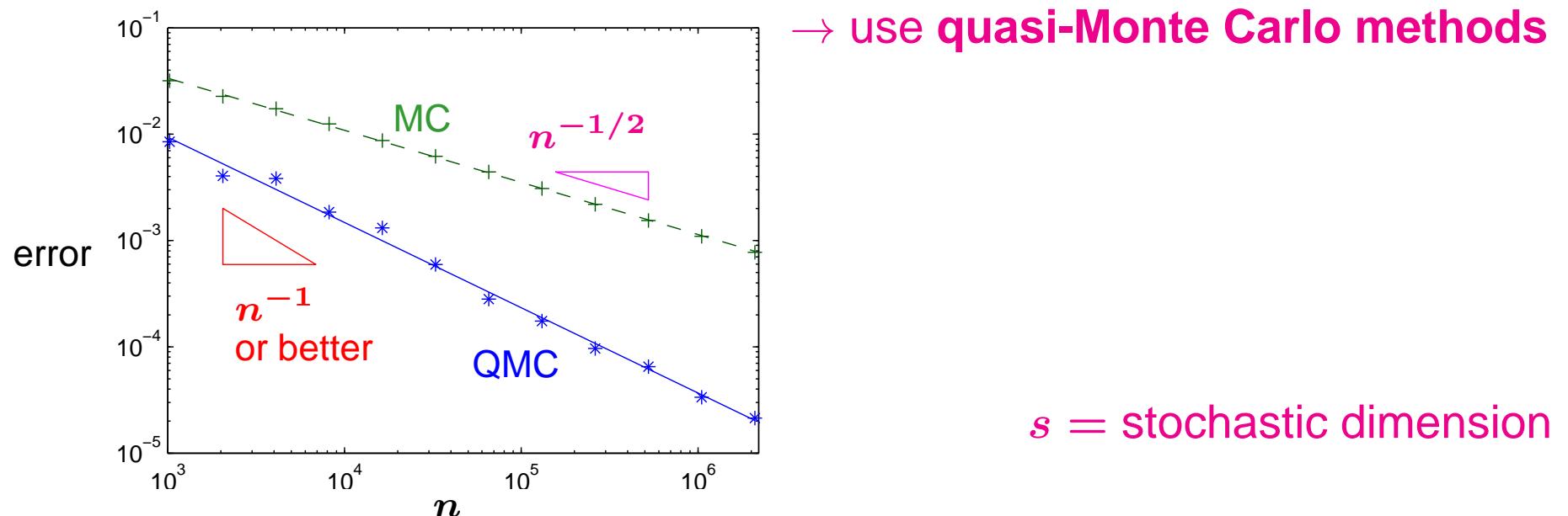
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**NOTE:** **expected value = (high dimensional) integral**



# MC v.s. QMC in the unit cube

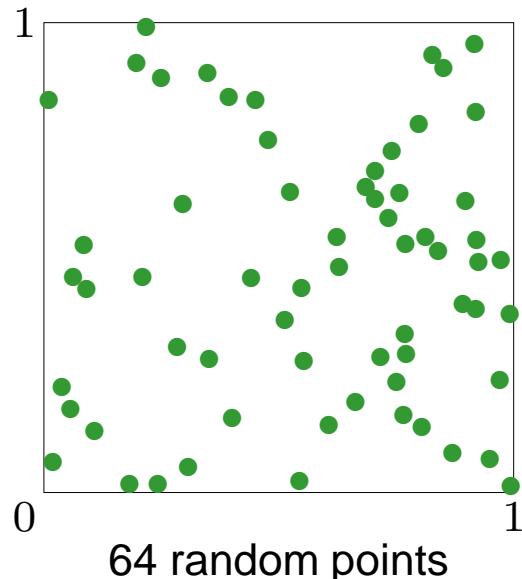
$$\int_{[0,1]^s} f(\mathbf{y}) \, d\mathbf{y} \approx \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n f(\mathbf{t}_i)$$

## Monte Carlo method

$\mathbf{t}_i$  random uniform

$n^{-1/2}$  convergence

order of variables irrelevant

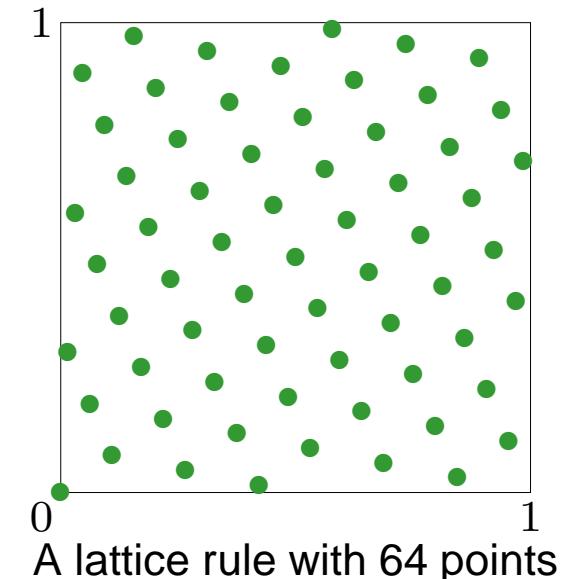
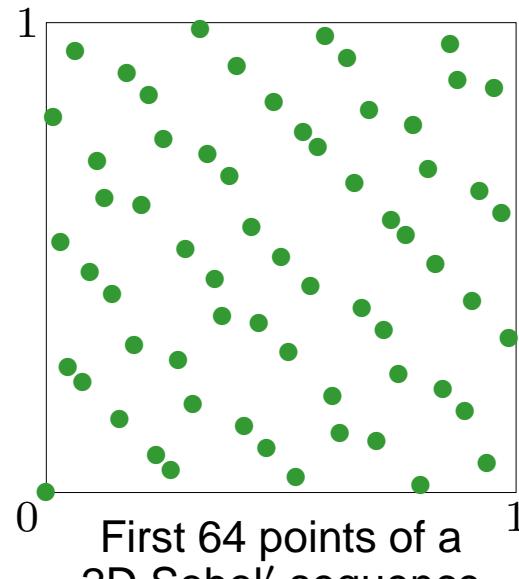


## Quasi-Monte Carlo methods

$\mathbf{t}_i$  deterministic

close to  $n^{-1}$  convergence or better

more effective for earlier variables and lower-order projections  
order of variables very important



use randomized QMC methods for error estimation

Two main families of QMC methods:

- **(t,m,s)-nets** and **(t,s)-sequences**
- **lattice rules**

Niederreiter book (1992)

Sloan and Joe book (1994)

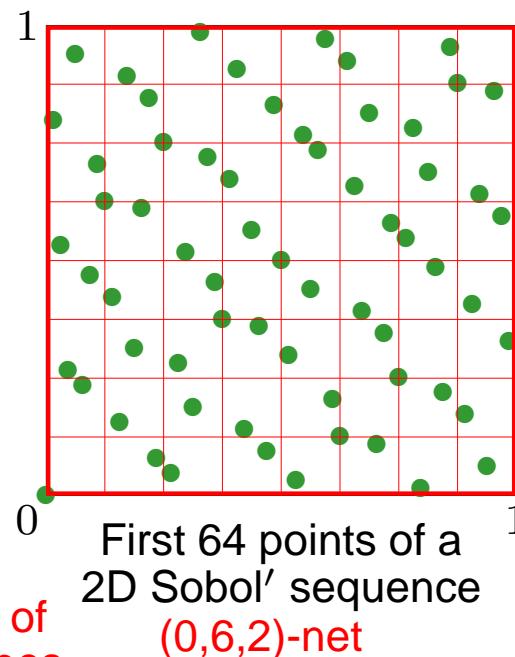
Dick and Pillichshammer book (2010)

Dick, K., Sloan Acta Numerica (2013)

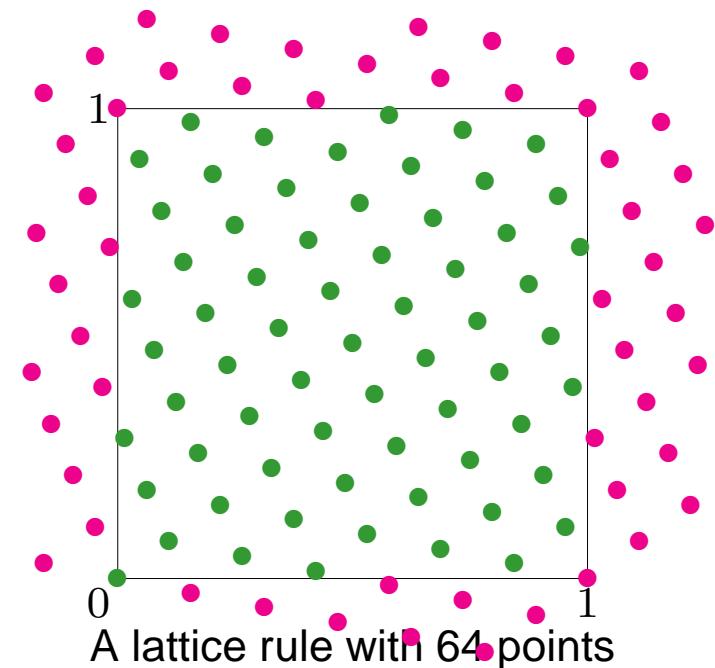
Important developments:

- **component-by-component (CBC) construction, “fast” CBC**
- **higher order digital nets**

Nuyens and Cools (2006)  
Dick (2008)



Having the right number of  
points in various sub-cubes



A group under addition modulo  $\mathbb{Z}$   
and includes the integer points

# Application of QMC to PDEs with random coefficients

- [0] Graham, K., Nuyens, Scheichl, Sloan (J. Comput. Physics, 2011)
- [1] K., Schwab, Sloan (SIAM J. Numer. Anal., 2012)
- [2] K., Schwab, Sloan (J. FoCM, 2015)
- [3] Graham, K., Nichols, Scheichl, Schwab, Sloan (Numer. Math., 2015)
- [4] K., Scheichl, Schwab, Sloan, Ullmann (Math. Comp., to appear)
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- [6] Dick, K., Le Gia, Schwab (SIAM J. Numer. Anal., 2016)
- [7] Graham, K., Nuyens, Scheichl, Sloan (in progress)

Also

- Schwab (Proceedings of MCQMC 2012)
- Le Gia (Proceedings of MCQMC 2012)
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- Gantner, Schwab (Proceedings of MCQMC 2014)
- Ganesh, Hawkins (SIAM J. Sci. Comput., 2015)
- Robbe, Nuyens, Vandewalle (in review)
- Scheichl, Stuart, Teckentrup (in review)
- Gilbert, Graham, K., Scheichl, Sloan (in progress)
- Graham, Parkinson, Scheichl (in progress)

etc.

# Application of QMC to PDEs

with random coefficients

Three different QMC theoretical settings:

- [1,2] Weighted Sobolev space over  $[0, 1]^s$  and “randomly shifted lattice rules”
- [3,4] Weighted space setting in  $\mathbb{R}^s$  and “randomly shifted lattice rules”
- [5,6] Weighted space of smooth functions over  $[0, 1]^s$  and (deterministic)  
“interlaced polynomial lattice rules”

- K., Nuyens (J. FoCM) – a survey of [1,2], [3,4], [5,6] in a unified view
- Accompanying software package  
<http://people.cs.kuleuven.be/~dirk.nuyens/qmc4pde/>

|                            | Uniform | Lognormal<br>KL expansion | Lognormal<br>Circulant embedding |
|----------------------------|---------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Experiments only           |         |                           | [0]*                             |
| First order, single-level  | [1]     | [3]*                      | [7]*                             |
| First order, multi-level   | [2]     | [4]*                      |                                  |
| Higher order, single-level | [5]     |                           |                                  |
| Higher order, multi-level  | [6]*    |                           |                                  |

The \* indicates there are accompanying numerical results

# 5-minute QMC primer (most important slide)

- Common features among all three QMC theoretical settings:
  - Separation in error bound
$$\text{(rms) QMC error} \leq \text{(rms) worst case error}_\gamma \times \text{norm of integrand}_\gamma$$
  - Weighted spaces
  - Pairing of QMC rule with function space
  - Optimal rate of convergence
  - Rate and constant independent of dimension
  - **Fast component-by-component (CBC) construction**
  - Extensible or embedded rules
- Application of QMC theory
  - **Estimate the norm** (critical step)
  - **Choose the weights**
  - Weights as input to the CBC construction

# Lattice rules

Rank-1 lattice rules have points

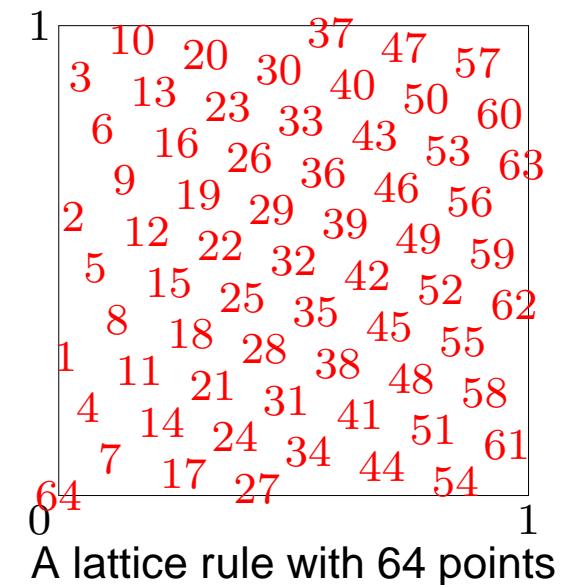
$$\mathbf{t}_i = \text{frac} \left( \frac{i}{n} \mathbf{z} \right), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{Z}^s$  – the generating vector, with all components *coprime* to  $n$

$\text{frac}(\cdot)$  – means to take the fractional part of all components

~ quality determined by the choice of  $\mathbf{z}$  ~

$$n = 64 \quad \mathbf{z} = (1, 19) \quad \mathbf{t}_i = \text{frac} \left( \frac{i}{64} (1, 19) \right)$$



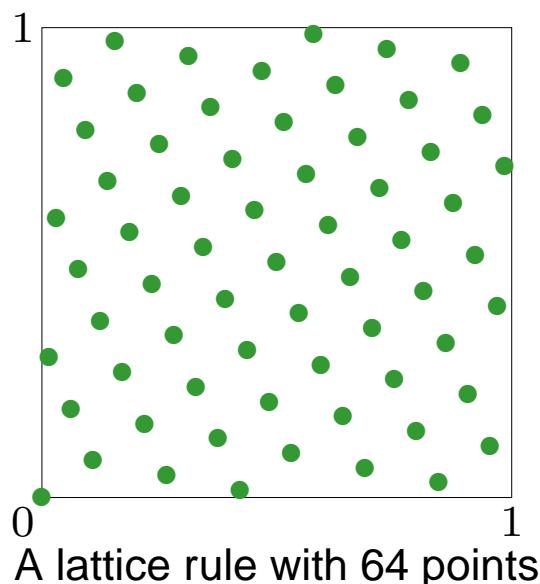
# Randomly shifted lattice rules

Shifted rank-1 lattice rules have points

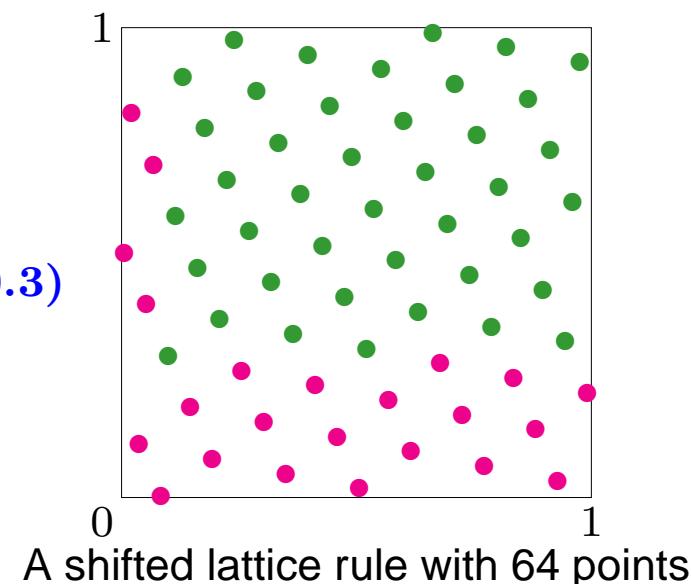
$$t_i = \text{frac} \left( \frac{i}{n} \mathbf{z} + \Delta \right), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$\Delta \in [0, 1)^s$  – the shift

~ use a number of random shifts for error estimation ~



shifted by  
 $\Delta = (0.1, 0.3)$



# Component-by-component construction

- Want to find  $\mathbf{z}$  for which some error criterion is as small possible
  - ~ Exhaustive search is practically impossible - too many choices! ~
- CBC algorithm** [Korobov (1959); Sloan, Reztsov (2002); Sloan, K., Joe (2002), ...]
  - Set  $z_1 = 1$ .
  - With  $z_1$  fixed, choose  $z_2$  to minimize the error criterion in 2D.
  - With  $z_1, z_2$  fixed, choose  $z_3$  to minimize the error criterion in 3D.
  - etc.[K. (2003); Dick (2004)]
- Optimal rate of convergence  $\mathcal{O}(n^{-1+\delta})$  in “weighted Sobolev space”, independently of  $s$  under an appropriate condition on the weights
  - ~ Averaging argument: there is always one choice as good as average! ~[Nuyens, Cools (2006)]
- Cost of algorithm for “product weights” is  $\mathcal{O}(n \log n s)$  using FFT[Hickernell, Hong, L'Ecuyer, Lemieux (2000); Hickernell, Niederreiter (2003)]
- Extensible/embedded variants [Cools, K., Nuyens (2006)][Dick, Pillichshammer, Waterhouse (2007)]

<http://people.cs.kuleuven.be/~dirk.nuyens/fast-cbc/>

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# Setting 1: standard QMC for unit cube

- Worst case error bound

$$\left| \int_{[0,1]^s} f(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n f(\mathbf{t}_i) \right| \leq e_{\gamma}^{\text{wor}}(\mathbf{t}_1, \dots, \mathbf{t}_n) \|f\|_{\gamma}$$

- Weighted Sobolev space

[Sloan, Woźniakowski (1998)]

$$\|f\|_{\gamma}^2 = \sum_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{1:s\}} \frac{1}{\gamma_{\mathbf{u}}} \int_{[0,1]^{|\mathbf{u}|}} \left| \frac{\partial^{|\mathbf{u}|} f}{\partial \mathbf{y}_{\mathbf{u}}} (\mathbf{y}_{\mathbf{u}}; \mathbf{0}) \right|^2 d\mathbf{y}_{\mathbf{u}}$$

↑  
 “weights”  
 ↑  
 $2^s$  subsets

“anchor” at 0 (also “unanchored”)  
 Mixed first derivatives are square integrable  
 Small weight  $\gamma_{\mathbf{u}}$  means that  $f$  depends weakly on the variables  $\mathbf{y}_{\mathbf{u}}$

- Pair with randomly shifted lattice rules

- Choose weights to minimize the error bound

[K., Schwab, Sloan (2012)]

$$\underbrace{\left( \frac{2}{n} \sum_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{1:s\}} \gamma_{\mathbf{u}}^{\lambda} a_{\mathbf{u}} \right)^{1/(2\lambda)}}_{\text{bound on worst case error (CBC)}} \quad \underbrace{\left( \sum_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{1:s\}} \frac{b_{\mathbf{u}}}{\gamma_{\mathbf{u}}} \right)^{1/2}}_{\text{bound on norm}} \Rightarrow \gamma_{\mathbf{u}} = \left( \frac{b_{\mathbf{u}}}{a_{\mathbf{u}}} \right)^{1/(1+\lambda)}$$

- Construct points (CBC) to minimize the worst case error

# Setting 2: QMC integration over $\mathbb{R}^s$

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- Change of variables
- Norm with weight function
- Pair with randomly shifted lattice rules

# Setting 3: smooth integrands in the cube

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- Norm involving **higher order mixed derivatives**
- Pair with **higher order digital nets**
- Interlaced polynomial lattice rule

# Uniform v.s. lognormal

$$-\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \nabla u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})) = \kappa(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{x} \in D \subset \mathbb{R}^d, \quad d = 1, 2, 3$$
$$u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = 0, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \partial D$$

## Uniform

[Cohen, DeVore, Schwab (2011)]

- $\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \bar{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{j \geq 1} y_j \psi_j(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{y}_j \sim \mathcal{U}[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]$

- Goal: 
$$\int_{(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})^N} G(u(\cdot, \mathbf{y})) \, d\mathbf{y}$$

$G$  – bounded linear functional

## Lognormal

- $\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \exp(Z(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}))$

- **Karhunen-Loève expansion:**

$$Z(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \bar{Z}(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{j \geq 1} y_j \sqrt{\mu_j} \xi_j(\mathbf{x}), \quad y_j \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

- Goal: 
$$\int_{\mathbb{R}_*^N} G(u(\cdot, \mathbf{y})) \prod_{j \geq 1} \phi_{\text{nor}}(y_j) \, d\mathbf{y}$$

# Single-level v.s. multi-level (the uniform case)

$$I_\infty = \int_{(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})^{\mathbb{N}}} G(u(\cdot, \mathbf{y})) \, d\mathbf{y}$$

- (1) dimension truncation
- (2) FE discretization
- (3) QMC quadrature

## Single-level algorithm

- Deterministic:  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n G(u_{\mathbf{h}}^s(\cdot, \mathbf{t}_i - \frac{1}{2}))$
- Randomized:

## Multi-level algorithm

$$I_\infty = (I_\infty - I_L) + \sum_{\ell=0}^L (I_\ell - I_{\ell-1}), \quad I_{-1} := 0$$

[Heinrich (1998); Giles (2008)]

- Deterministic:  $\sum_{\ell=0}^L \left( \frac{1}{n_\ell} \sum_{i=1}^{n_\ell} G((u_{\mathbf{h}_\ell}^{s_\ell} - u_{\mathbf{h}_{\ell-1}}^{s_{\ell-1}})(\cdot, \mathbf{t}_{\ell,i} - \frac{1}{2})) \right)$
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\*Benefits of randomization: unbiased estimator, practical error estimate

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# Estimate the norm

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## Single-level algorithm

$$\|G(u_h^s)\|_{\gamma}$$

## Multi-level algorithm

$$\|G(u_{h_\ell}^{s_\ell} - u_{h_{\ell-1}}^{s_{\ell-1}})\|_{\gamma}$$

# TUTORIAL: Differentiate the PDE (the uniform case)

## 1. Variational formulation

$$\int_D a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \nabla u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \cdot \nabla w(\mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x} = \int_D \kappa(\mathbf{x}) w(\mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x} \quad \forall w \in H_0^1(D)$$

## 2. Mixed derivatives in $\mathbf{y}$ with multi-index $\nu \neq \mathbf{0}$

$$\int_D \partial^\nu \left( a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \nabla u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \cdot \nabla w(\mathbf{x}) \right) \, d\mathbf{x} = 0 \quad \forall w \in H_0^1(D)$$

## 3. Leibniz product rule

$$\int_D \left( \sum_{\mathbf{m} \leq \nu} \binom{\nu}{\mathbf{m}} (\partial^{\mathbf{m}} a)(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \nabla (\partial^{\nu-\mathbf{m}} u)(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \cdot \nabla w(\mathbf{x}) \right) \, d\mathbf{x} = 0 \quad \forall w \in H_0^1(D)$$

## 4. Uniform case

$$a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \bar{a}(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{j \geq 1} \mathbf{y}_j \psi_j(\mathbf{x}) \implies (\partial^{\mathbf{m}} a)(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \begin{cases} a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) & \text{if } \mathbf{m} = \mathbf{0}, \\ \psi_j(\mathbf{x}) & \text{if } \mathbf{m} = \mathbf{e}_j, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

## 5. Separate out the $\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{0}$ term

$$\begin{aligned} \int_D a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \nabla (\partial^\nu u)(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \cdot \nabla w(\mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x} \\ = - \sum_{j \geq 1} \nu_j \int_D \psi_j(\mathbf{x}) \nabla (\partial^{\nu-\mathbf{e}_j} u)(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \cdot \nabla w(\mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x} \quad \forall w \in H_0^1(D) \end{aligned}$$

# TUTORIAL: Differentiate the PDE (the uniform case)

5. Separate out the  $\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{0}$  term

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_D a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \nabla(\partial^\nu u)(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \cdot \nabla w(\mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x} \\ &= - \sum_{j \geq 1} \nu_j \int_D \psi_j(\mathbf{x}) \nabla(\partial^{\nu - \mathbf{e}_j} u)(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \cdot \nabla w(\mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x} \quad \forall w \in H_0^1(D) \end{aligned}$$

6. Take  $w = (\partial^\nu u)(\cdot, \mathbf{y})$  and apply Cauchy-Schwarz

$$\begin{aligned} & a_{\min} \int_D |\nabla(\partial^\nu u)(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|^2 \, d\mathbf{x} \\ & \leq \sum_{j \geq 1} \nu_j \|\psi_j\|_{L_\infty} \left( \int_D |\nabla(\partial^{\nu - \mathbf{e}_j} u)(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|^2 \, d\mathbf{x} \right)^{1/2} \left( \int_D |\nabla(\partial^\nu u)(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|^2 \, d\mathbf{x} \right)^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

7. Cancel one common factor

$$\|\nabla(\partial^\nu u)(\cdot, \mathbf{y})\|_{L_2} \leq \sum_{j \geq 1} \nu_j b_j \|\nabla(\partial^{\nu - \mathbf{e}_j} u)(\cdot, \mathbf{y})\|_{L_2}, \quad b_j = \frac{\|\psi_j\|_{L_\infty}}{a_{\min}}$$

8. Induction hypothesis

$$\|\nabla(\partial^\nu u)(\cdot, \mathbf{y})\|_{L_2} \leq \sum_{j \geq 1} \nu_j b_j |\nu - \mathbf{e}_j|! b^{\nu - \mathbf{e}_j} \frac{\|\kappa\|_{H^{-1}}}{a_{\min}} = |\nu|! b^\nu \frac{\|\kappa\|_{H^{-1}}}{a_{\min}}$$

# TUTORIAL: Estimate the norm (the uniform case)

## 8. Bound on mixed derivatives by induction

$$\|(\partial^\nu u_h^s)(\cdot, \mathbf{y})\|_{H_0^1} = \|\nabla(\partial^\nu u_h^s)(\cdot, \mathbf{y})\|_{L_2} \leq |\nu|! b^\nu \frac{\|\kappa\|_{H^{-1}}}{a_{\min}}, \quad b_j := \frac{\|\psi_j\|_{L_\infty}}{a_{\min}}$$

## 9. First order mixed derivatives

$$\left\| \frac{\partial^{|\mathfrak{u}|}}{\partial \mathbf{y}_\mathfrak{u}} u_h^s(\cdot, \mathbf{y}) \right\|_{H_0^1} \leq |\mathfrak{u}|! \left( \prod_{j \in \mathfrak{u}} b_j \right) \frac{\|\kappa\|_{H^{-1}}}{a_{\min}}, \quad \mathfrak{u} \subseteq \{1 : s\}$$

## 10. Linearity and boundedness of $G$

$$\left| \frac{\partial^{|\mathfrak{u}|}}{\partial \mathbf{y}_\mathfrak{u}} G(u_h^s(\cdot, \mathbf{y})) \right| = \left| G \left( \frac{\partial^{|\mathfrak{u}|}}{\partial \mathbf{y}_\mathfrak{u}} u_h^s(\cdot, \mathbf{y}) \right) \right| \leq \|G\|_{H^{-1}} \left\| \frac{\partial^{|\mathfrak{u}|}}{\partial \mathbf{y}_\mathfrak{u}} u_h^s(\cdot, \mathbf{y}) \right\|_{H_0^1}$$

## 11. Weighted norm

$$\|G(u_h^s)\|_{\gamma} \leq \frac{\|\kappa\|_{H^{-1}} \|G\|_{H^{-1}}}{a_{\min}} \left( \sum_{\mathfrak{u} \subseteq \{1:s\}} \frac{(|\mathfrak{u}|!)^2 \prod_{j \in \mathfrak{u}} b_j^2}{\gamma_{\mathfrak{u}}} \right)^{1/2}$$

# TUTORIAL: Choose the weights (the uniform case)

## 11. Weighted norm

$$\|G(u_h^s)\|_{\gamma} \lesssim \left( \sum_{\mathfrak{u} \subseteq \{1:s\}} \frac{(|\mathfrak{u}|!)^2 \prod_{j \in \mathfrak{u}} b_j^2}{\gamma_{\mathfrak{u}}} \right)^{1/2}, \quad b_j := \frac{\|\psi_j\|_{L_\infty}}{a_{\min}}$$

## 12. CBC error bound $\times$ bound on norm

$$\text{ms-error} \lesssim \left( \frac{2}{n} \sum_{\mathfrak{u} \subseteq \{1:s\}} \gamma_{\mathfrak{u}}^\lambda [\rho(\lambda)]^{|\mathfrak{u}|} \right)^{1/\lambda} \left( \sum_{\mathfrak{u} \subseteq \{1:s\}} \frac{(|\mathfrak{u}|!)^2 \prod_{j \in \mathfrak{u}} b_j^2}{\gamma_{\mathfrak{u}}} \right) \quad \forall \lambda \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1]$$

## 13. Minimize the bound to yield **POD weights**

$$\gamma_{\mathfrak{u}} = \left( |\mathfrak{u}|! \prod_{j \in \mathfrak{u}} \frac{b_j}{\sqrt{\rho(\lambda)}} \right)^{2/(1+\lambda)}$$

## 14. Choose $\lambda$ to ensure dimension independence

- If  $\sum_{j \geq 1} b_j^p < \infty$ , take  $\lambda = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2 - 2\delta} & \text{for } \delta \in (0, \frac{1}{2}) \\ \frac{p}{2 - p} & \text{when } p \in (0, \frac{2}{3}], \\ & \text{when } p \in (\frac{2}{3}, 1). \end{cases}$

- Convergence rate is  $n^{-\min(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{2}, 1 - \delta)}$
- Implied constant is independent of  $s$

# Estimate the norm (the uniform case)

## Single-level algorithm

$$\|G(u_h^s)\|_{\gamma}$$

$$b_j := \frac{\|\psi_j\|_{L_\infty}}{a_{\min}}$$

- **Lemma 1**

$$\|\nabla \partial^\nu u(\cdot, \mathbf{y})\|_{L_2} \leq |\nu|! b^\nu \frac{\|\kappa\|_{H^{-1}}}{a_{\min}}$$

## Multi-level algorithm

$$\|G(u_{h_\ell}^{s_\ell} - u_{h_{\ell-1}}^{s_{\ell-1}})\|_{\gamma}$$

$$\bar{b}_j := \frac{\max(\|\psi_j\|_{L_\infty}, \|\nabla \psi_j\|_{L_\infty})}{a_{\min}}$$

- **Lemma 2**

$$\|\Delta \partial^\nu u(\cdot, \mathbf{y})\|_{L_2}$$

Bounds of the form  $(|\nu| + a_1)! \bar{b}^\nu$

- **Lemma 3**

$$\|\nabla \partial^\nu (u - u_h)(\cdot, \mathbf{y})\|_{L_2}$$

$\mathcal{O}(h)$

- **Lemma 4**

$$|\partial^\nu G((u - u_h)(\cdot, \mathbf{y}))|$$

$\mathcal{O}(h^2)$  by duality argument

# Estimate the norm (the lognormal case)

## Single-level algorithm

$$\|G(u_h^s)\|_{\gamma}$$

- Lemma 5

## Multi-level algorithm

$$\|G(u_{h_\ell}^{s_\ell} - u_{h_{\ell-1}}^{s_{\ell-1}})\|_{\gamma}$$

- Lemma 6

- Lemma 7

- Lemma 8

Bounds of the form  $\textcolor{blue}{T}(\nu) (|\nu| + a_1)! \beta^\nu$

# Summary of analysis (the uniform case)

Assumptions:

|                       |   |   |                                      |
|-----------------------|---|---|--------------------------------------|
| $\kappa \in H^{-1+t}$ | $\sum_{j \geq 1} \ \psi_j\ _{L_\infty}^{p_0} < \infty$        |   |                                      |
| $G \in H^{-1+t'}$     | $\sum_{j \geq 1} \ \nabla \psi_j\ _{L_\infty}^{p_1} < \infty$ | $\sum_{j \geq 1} \ \psi_j\ _{\mathcal{X}_t}^{p_t} < \infty$ |                                      |
|                       |   |   | Often $p_t = \frac{p_0}{1 - tp_0/d}$ |

## First-order single-level

[K., Schwab, Sloan (2012)]

$$s^{-2(\frac{1}{p_0}-1)} + h^{t+t'} + \\ n^{-\min(\frac{1}{p_0}-\frac{1}{2}, 1-\delta)}$$

## First-order multi-level

[K., Schwab, Sloan (2015)]

$$s_L^{-2(\frac{1}{p_0}-1)} + h_L^{t+t'} + \\ \sum_{\ell=0}^L n_\ell^{-\min(\frac{1}{p_1}-\frac{1}{2}, 1-\delta)} (s_{\ell-1}^{-(\frac{1}{p_0}-\frac{1}{p_1})} + h_{\ell-1}^{t+t'})$$

## Higher-order single-level

[Dick, K., Le Gia, Nuyens, Schwab (2014)]

$$s^{-2(\frac{1}{p_0}-1)} + h^{t+t'} + \\ n^{-\frac{1}{p_0}}$$

## Higher-order multi-level

[Dick, K., Le Gia, Schwab (2016)]

$$s_L^{-2(\frac{1}{p_0}-1)} + h_L^{t+t'} + \\ \sum_{\ell=0}^L n_\ell^{-\frac{1}{p_t}} (s_{\ell-1}^{-(\frac{1}{p_0}-\frac{1}{p_t})} + h_{\ell-1}^{t+t'})$$

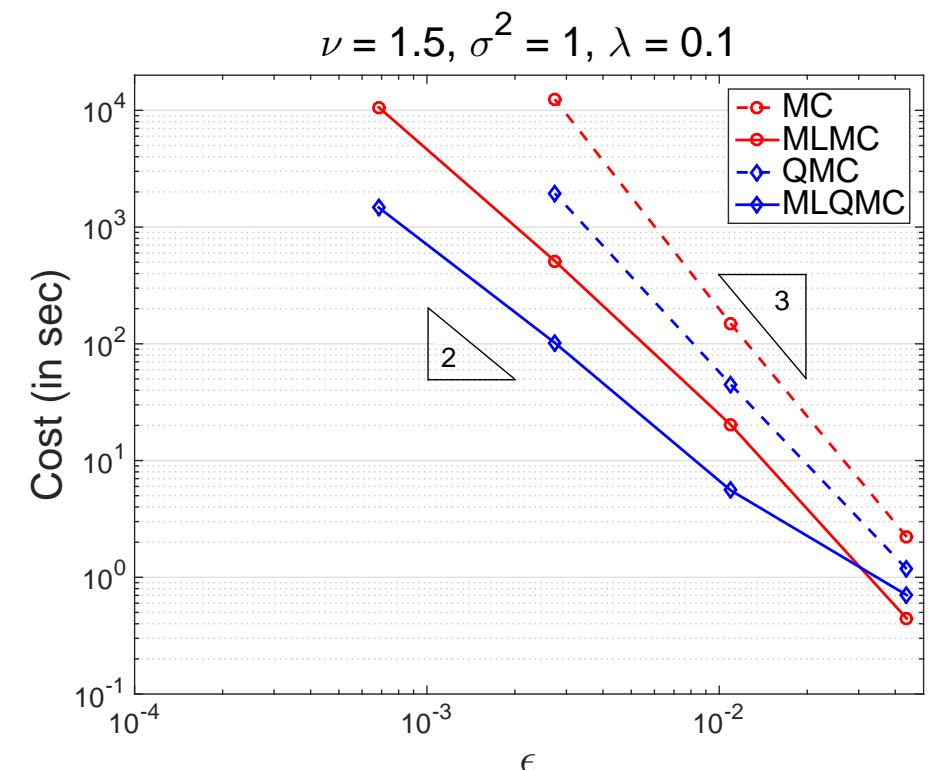
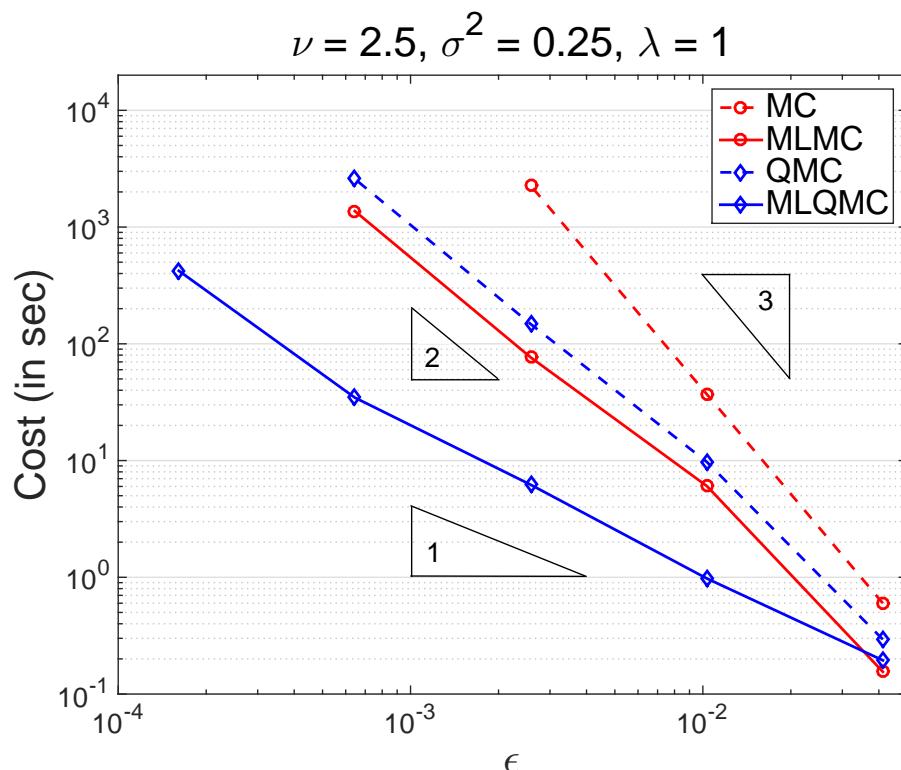
HO-ML does not always win!

# High-level view of analysis (the uniform case)

- QMC (deterministic or randomized) **convergence** (rate and constant) is independent of truncation dimension
  - Achieved by working in the **weighted** function space setting
  - Need to estimate the regularity of the PDE solution with respect to  $\mathbf{y}$
  - Function space **weights** are chosen to reduce the error bound
  - The chosen **weights** enter the fast CBC construction of QMC points
- **Combined error** – *truncation error, discretization error, quadrature error*
  - SL: **sum** of three errors
  - ML: **multiplicative effect** between FE and QMC, but need stronger regularity in  $\mathbf{x}$ , and regularity estimate simultaneously in  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$
  - FO: **randomly shifted lattice rules**; root-mean-square error bound; Hilbert space setting
  - HO: **interlaced polynomial lattice rules**; deterministic error bound; non-Hilbert space setting (gain an extra factor of  $n^{-1/2}$ )
- **Error v.s. cost analysis** ... *depends crucially on the cost assumption*
  - SL: choose  $n, s, h$  to balance the three errors
  - ML: choose  $n_\ell, s_\ell, h_\ell$  to minimize total cost for a fixed total error (Lagrange multipliers)

# MLQMC numerical results (the lognormal case)

- $D = (0, 1)^2$ ,  $\kappa \equiv 1$ , homogeneous Dirichlet boundary
- $G(u(\cdot, \mathbf{y})) = \frac{1}{D^*} \int_{D^*} u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \, d\mathbf{x}$ ,  $D^* = (\frac{3}{4}, \frac{7}{8}) \times (\frac{7}{8}, 1)$
- Piecewise linear finite elements, off-the-shelf randomly shifted lattice rule
- Lognormal case with Matérn kernel: smoothness  $\nu$ , variance  $\sigma^2$ , correlation length scale  $\lambda$



[K., Scheichl, Schwab, Sloan, Ullmann (to appear)]

# Software

<http://people.cs.kuleuven.be/~dirk.nuyens/qmc4pde>

## Construction script in Python

- Input: generic bound on mixed derivatives (weights are set automatically)

$$|\partial^\nu F(\mathbf{y})| \lesssim ((|\nu| + a_1)!)^{d_1} \prod_{j=1}^s (a_2 \beta_j)^{\nu_j} \exp(a_3 \beta_j |y_j|)$$

$$F(\mathbf{y}) = \begin{cases} G(u_h^s) & \text{single-level} \\ G(u_{h_\ell}^s - u_{h_{\ell-1}}^s) & \text{multi-level} \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} a_3 = 0 & \text{uniform case} \\ a_3 > 0 & \text{lognormal case} \end{cases}$$

- Output: generating vector for lattice sequence **z.txt**

```
## uniform case, 100-dim rule, 2^10 points, with specified bounds b:  
./lat-cbc.py --s=100 --m=10 --d2=3 --b="0.1 * j**-3 / log(j+1)"
```

```
## lognormal case, 100-dim rule, 2^10 points, with algebraic decay:  
./lat-cbc.py --s=100 --m=10 --a2="1/log(2)" --a3=1 --d2=3 --c=0.1
```

- Output: generating matrices for interlaced polynomial lattice rule **Bs53.col**

```
## 100-dim rule, 2^10 points, interlacing 3, with bounds from file:  
./polylat-cbc.py --s=100 --m=10 --alpha=3 --a1=5 --b_file=bounds.txt
```

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## Point generators in Matlab/Octave (also C++ and Python)

- Lattice sequences

```
load z.txt % load generating vector  
latticeseq_b2('init0', z) % initialize the procedural generator  
Pa = latticeseq_b2(20, 512); % first 512 20-dimensional points  
Pb = latticeseq_b2(20, 512); % next 512 20-dimensional points
```

- Interlaced polynomial lattice rules

```
load Bs53.col % load generating matrices  
digitalseq_b2g('init0', Bs53) % initialize the procedural generator  
Pa = digitalseq_b2g(100, 512); % first 512 100-dimensional points  
Pb = digitalseq_b2g(100, 512); % next 512 100-dimensional points
```

- Interlaced Sobol' sequences

```
load sobol_alpha3_Bs53.col % load generating matrices  
digitalseq_b2g('init0', sobol_alpha3_Bs53) % initialize the procedural  
Pa = digitalseq_b2g(50, 512); % first 512 50-dimensional points  
Pb = digitalseq_b2g(50, 512); % next 512 50-dimensional points
```

# Concluding remarks

- Three weighted space settings, fast CBC construction
- QMC error bound – rate and constant – can be independent of dimension
- Application of QMC theory: estimate the norm, choose the weights
- Pairing of method and setting: best rate with minimal assumption
- Theory versus practice: generic QMC may work just fine!
- Other cost reduction strategies: multi-index, MDM, . . .
- My wish list:
  - Sharper dimension truncation estimate for ML?
  - Weaker regularity requirement for higher order ML?
  - Error as a triple product?
  - Product weights instead of POD weights or SPOD weights?
  - Better choice of weight function for lognormal?
  - Higher order QMC for lognormal (integration over  $\mathbb{R}^s$ )?

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