

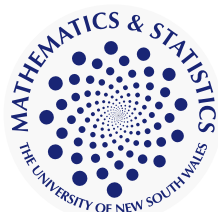
# **PDE with random coefficients as a problem in high-dimensional integration**

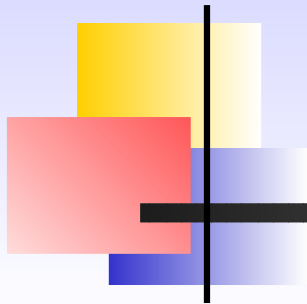
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## Theory

- Quasi-Monte Carlo methods

## Application

- PDE with random coefficients

# Motivating example

Uncertainty in groundwater flow

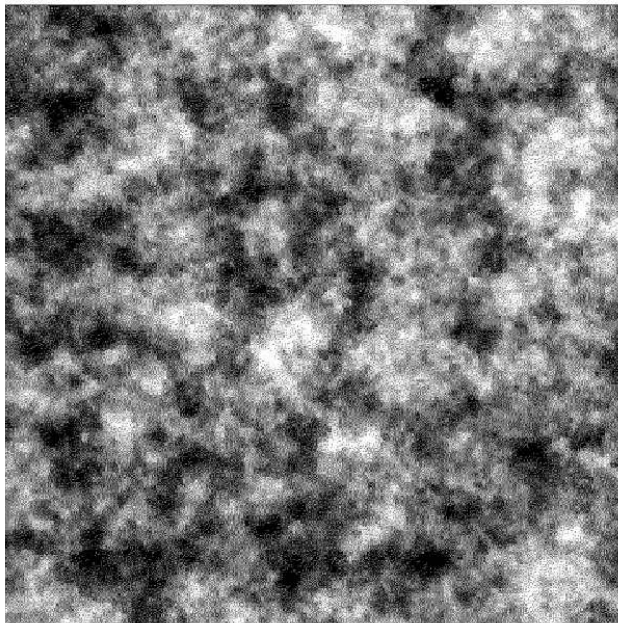
eg. risk analysis of radioactive waste disposal or CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration

Darcy's law

mass conservation law

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

$$\implies \nabla \cdot (a \vec{\nabla} p) = 0$$



together with boundary conditions

[Cliffe, *et. al.* (2000)]

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

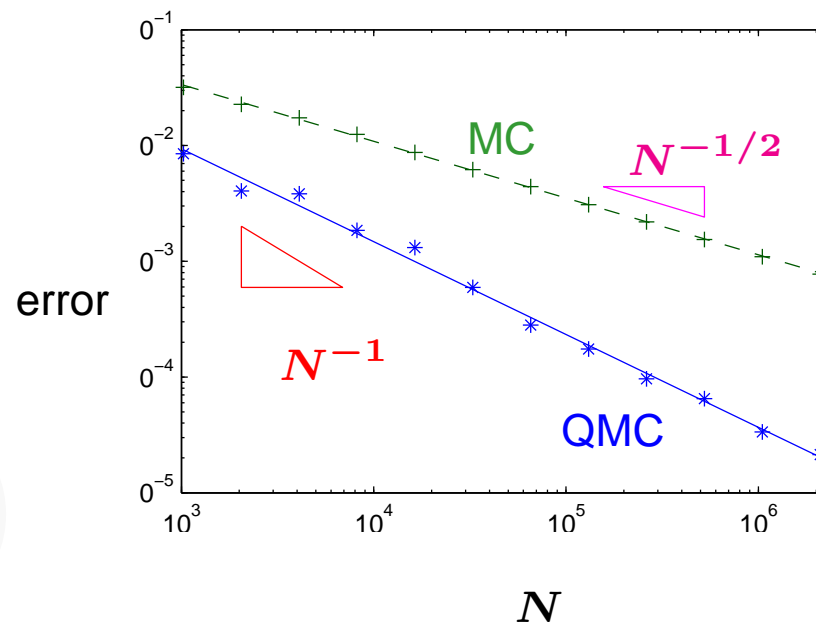
To compute the expected value of some quantity of interest:

1. Generate a number of realizations of the random field  
(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**.

Or, because the **expected value** is a (high dimensional) **integral**

use **quasi-Monte Carlo methods**





# Monte Carlo (MC)

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Approximate the  $s$ -dimensional integral

$$I_s(F) := \int_{[0,1]^s} F(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y}$$

by

$$Q_{N,s}^{\text{MC}}(F) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N F(\mathbf{t}_k),$$

with  $\mathbf{t}_1, \dots, \mathbf{t}_N$  chosen randomly and independently from a uniform distribution on  $[0, 1]^s$ .

Error: For  $F \in L^2([0, 1]^s)$ ,

$$\text{error}^{\text{MC}} = \frac{\sigma(F)}{\sqrt{N}},$$

where

$$\sigma^2(F) = I_s((F - I_s(F))^2) = I_s(F^2) - (I_s(F))^2.$$



# Quasi-Monte Carlo (QMC)

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$$Q_{N,s}(F) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N F(\mathbf{t}_k) ,$$

with  $\mathbf{t}_1, \dots, \mathbf{t}_N$  deterministic (and cleverly chosen).

What do we wish for? For  $F$  sufficiently smooth we might hope for

$$\text{error}^{\text{QMC}} \leq \frac{C}{N}$$

with  $C$  independent of  $s$ .

In practice we can get  $\text{error}^{\text{QMC}} \leq \frac{C_\delta}{N^{1-\delta}}$  for arbitrary  $\delta > 0$ , with  $C_\delta \rightarrow \infty$  as

$\delta \rightarrow 0$ , for suitably smooth  $F$ .



# How to choose the QMC points?

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How to choose  $t_1, \dots, t_N$ ? There are two main methods:

- **Low discrepancy points** Sobol (1950s), Faure, Niederreiter (1980s), and more recently, Dick, Pillichshammer, . . .
- **Lattice rules** Korobov, Hlawka, Hua & Wang (1950s), and more recently Sloan, Kachoyan, Lyness, Woźniakowski, L'Ecuyer, Hickernell, Joe, Kuo, Dick, Larcher, Wang, Waterhouse, . . .

For this talk consider only “lattice rules”.



# Lattice rule definition

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Lattice Rule (of rank 1)

$$Q_{N,s}F = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N F \left( \left\{ k \frac{\mathbf{z}}{N} \right\} \right),$$

$$\mathbf{z} \in \{1, \dots, N-1\}^s$$

Shifted lattice rule

$$Q_{N,s}F = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N F \left( \left\{ k \frac{\mathbf{z}}{N} + \Delta \right\} \right),$$

$$\Delta \text{ (the "shift")} \in [0, 1]^s$$

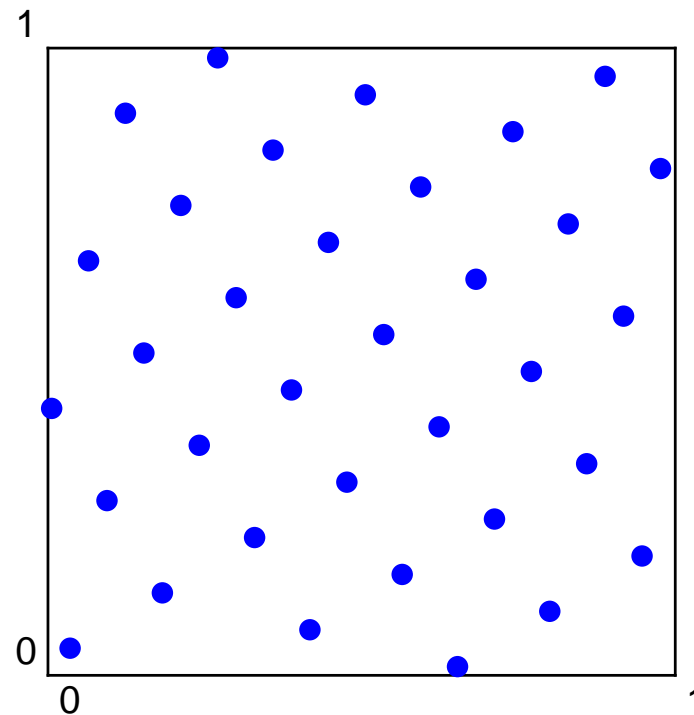
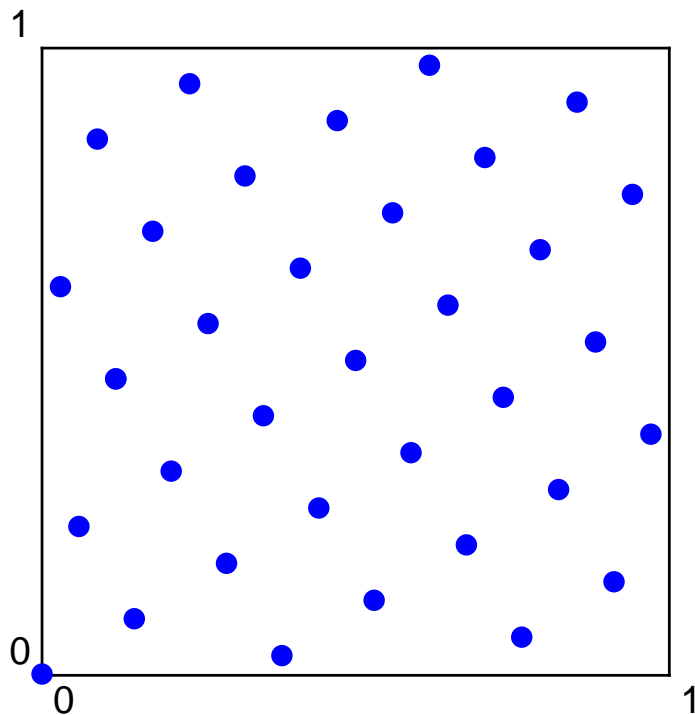
Ref: IHS & S. Joe, "Lattice Methods for Multiple Integration", Oxford '94.



# Example of lattice & shifted lattice rules

$$N = 34, z = (1, 21)$$

$$N = 34, z = (1, 21), \Delta = (0.8, 0.1)$$





# Randomly shifted lattice rules

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In practice we like **randomly shifted** lattice rules:

$$Q_{N,s}F = \frac{1}{q} \sum_{i=1}^q \left( \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N F \left( \left\{ k \frac{\mathbf{z}}{N} + \Delta_i \right\} \right), \right)$$

where  $\Delta_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, q$  are random vectors chosen independently from a uniform distribution on  $[0, 1]^s$ .

As with MC, this gives an unbiased estimate of the integral, and allows a practical estimate of the error.

Now there is only one thing to choose: namely the integer vector  $\mathbf{z}$ .

**But how to choose  $\mathbf{z}$ ?**

# Weighted function spaces – the anchored case

IDEA: the variables are *not* equally important

Assume that  $F$  belongs to a **weighted Sobolev space**, with sqd. norm

$$\|F\|_{s,\gamma}^2 = \sum_{\substack{u \subseteq \{1,\dots,s\} \\ 2^s \text{ subsets}}} \frac{1}{\gamma_u} \int_{[0,1]^{|u|}} \left| \frac{\partial^{|u|} F}{\partial \mathbf{y}_u}(\mathbf{y}_u; \mathbf{0}) \right|^2 d\mathbf{y}_u$$

“weights”
“anchor” at 0

Mixed first derivatives are square integrable

Small weight  $\gamma_u$  means that  $F$  depends weakly on the variables  $\mathbf{y}_u$

- “product” weights – the “standard setting” as in Sloan and Woźniakowski (1998)

$$\gamma_u = \prod_{j \in u} \gamma_j, \quad \gamma_1 \geq \gamma_2 \geq \gamma_3 \geq \dots > 0$$

- “order dependent” weights – Sloan, Wang, Woźniakowski (2004)

$$\gamma_u = \Gamma_{|u|}, \quad \Gamma_0 = 1, \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2, \Gamma_3, \dots > 0$$

- “POD” weights (“product and order dependent” weights)

$$\gamma_u = \Gamma_{|u|} \prod_{j \in u} \gamma_j$$

– Kuo, Schwab, Sloan (SINUM '12): *PDE with random coefficient*

# Examples (for product weights)

•  $s = 1$  :  $\|F\|_{1,\gamma}^2 = |F(0)|^2 + \frac{1}{\gamma_1} \int_0^1 \left| \frac{dF}{dy} \right|^2 dy$

•  $s = 2$  :

$$\|F\|_{2,\gamma}^2 = |F(0, 0)|^2$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\gamma_1} \int_0^1 \left| \frac{\partial F}{\partial y_1}(y_1, 0) \right|^2 dy_1 + \frac{1}{\gamma_2} \int_0^1 \left| \frac{\partial F}{\partial y_2}(0, y_2) \right|^2 dy_2$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\gamma_1 \gamma_2} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left| \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial y_1 \partial y_2} \right|^2 dy_1 dy_2$$

Note that if  $F(y_1, y_2) = g(y_1)h(y_2)$  then  $\|F\|_{2,\gamma} = \|g\|_{1,\gamma} \|h\|_{1,\gamma}$ .

This makes the product case the easiest.



# Worst case error

The **worst case error** (wce) of a QMC rule with points  $\mathbf{t}_1, \dots, \mathbf{t}_N$  is defined by:

$$e_{N,s,\gamma} := \sup_{\|F\|_{s,\gamma} \leq 1} \left| \int_{[0,1]^s} F(\mathbf{y}) \, d\mathbf{y} - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N F(\mathbf{t}_k) \right|$$

$$\implies (\text{error for given } F) \leq e_{N,s,\gamma} \times \|F\|_{s,\gamma}$$

🟡 An explicit formula exists for the wce – wce's can be computed!



# An early existence result

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THEOREM IHS & H Woźniakowski, '98 Assume product weights,

$\gamma_u = \prod_{j \in u} \gamma_j$ . Then if (and only if)  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \gamma_j < \infty$  there exist points  $t_1, \dots, t_N \in [0, 1]^s$  such that

$$e_{N,s,\gamma} \leq \frac{D_\gamma}{\sqrt{N}},$$

with  $D_\gamma$  independent of  $s$ .



## Remarks

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1. The bound holds e.g. for  $\gamma_j = 1/j^2$ . It does **not** hold for the classical weights  $\gamma_j = 1$ .
2.  $D_\gamma$  is known explicitly: for example, we can take

$$D_\gamma = \exp \left( \frac{1}{4} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \gamma_j \right).$$

3. The condition  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \gamma_j < \infty$  is necessary as well as sufficient. For every choice of points we can construct a lower bound on the worst-case error, which grows unboundedly with  $s$  if the condition fails.
4. The convergence rate is only the Monte Carlo rate; and  
the proof that  $\exists$  a good QMC rule is not constructive!



# A better existence result

THEOREM Sloan and Woźniakowski ('01): *If*

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \gamma_j^{1/2} < \infty,$$

*and if  $N$  is prime, then for each  $s \exists$  a SHIFTED LATTICE RULE*

$Q_{N,s,z,\Delta}^{\text{lattice}}$  such that

$$e_{N,s,\gamma} \leq \frac{C_{\gamma,\delta}}{N^{1-\delta}} \quad \forall \delta > 0.$$

Recall – a shifted lattice rule (with  $N$  prime) is a QMC rule of special form

$$Q_{N,s,z,\Delta}^{\text{lattice}}(F) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N F \left( \left\{ \frac{kz}{N} + \Delta \right\} \right),$$

$$z \in \{1, 2, \dots, N-1\}^s, \Delta \in [0, 1)^s$$

Proof is by averaging in a different way over  $\Delta$  and  $z$ .





# Shift-averaged wce

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Now turn to construction.

It is convenient to work with the "root-mean square shift-averaged" worst case error: for a given choice of points  $\mathbf{t}_1, \dots, \mathbf{t}_N$ ,

$$e_{N,s,\gamma}^{\text{rms}} := \sqrt{\int_{[0,1]^s} \cdots \int_{[0,1]^s} e_{N,s,\gamma}(\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_q)^2 d\Delta_1 \dots d\Delta_q}$$

We do this because the shift-averaged wce is simpler than the wce for a shift  $\Delta$ .



$\Rightarrow$  for given  $F$ , **RMS error**  $\leq e_{N,s,\gamma}^{\text{rms}} \times \|F\|_{s,\gamma}$ .



## Shift-averaged wce – the anchored case

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The shift-averaged worst-case error for the case of the anchored norm and product weights is given by

$$e_{N,s,\gamma}^{\text{rms}}(\mathbf{z})^2 = - \prod_{j=1}^s (1 + \gamma_j/3) \\ + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \prod_{j=1}^s \left[ 1 + \gamma_j \left( B_2(\{iz_j/N\}) + \frac{1}{3} \right) \right]$$

where  $B_2(x) = x^2 - x + \frac{1}{6}$ .

# Component-by-component construction

- We want a  $\mathbf{z}$  that makes the *shift-averaged worst case error* as small as possible.  $\sim$  Exhaustive search is in practice impossible - too many choices!  $\sim$
- **CBC algorithm** [Korobov (1960s), Sloan, Kuo, Joe (2002);...]
  1. Set  $z_1 = 1$ .
  2. With  $z_1$  fixed, choose  $z_2$  to minimize the  $s = 2$  worst case error.
  3. With  $z_1, z_2$  fixed, choose  $z_3$  to minimize the  $s = 3$  worst case error.
  4. etc.
- Cost for product wts. is only  $\mathcal{O}(s N \log N)$  using FFTs. [Nuyens, Cools (2006)]
- Optimal rate of convergence  $\mathcal{O}(N^{-1+\delta})$  in weighted Sobolev space, with the implied constant independent of  $s$  under an appropriate condition on the weights. [Kuo (2003); Dick (2004)]
  - $\sim$  Averaging argument:  $\exists$  one choice as good as average!  $\sim$

# The optimal convergence property of CBC

THEOREM (for product weights) Frances Kuo, J. Complexity, (2003)

Assume product weights,  $\gamma_u = \prod_{j \in u} \gamma_j$ . Let  $N$  be prime, and let

$z_1, z_2, \dots, z_s$  be chosen by the CBC algorithm. Assume also

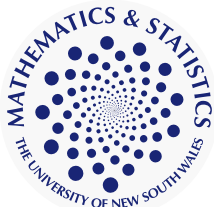
$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \gamma_j^{1/2} < \infty.$$

Then  $\forall \delta > 0$

$$e_{\gamma}^{\text{rms}}(\mathbf{t}_1, \dots, \mathbf{t}_N) \leq \frac{C_{\gamma, \delta}}{N^{1-\delta}}.$$

Thus the optimal rate is achieved by the CBC algorithm with product weights.

Proof: Averaging argument again:  $\exists$  one choice as good as average!





# Now to applications: the present state of play

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*... in the application of QMC to PDEs with random coefficients:*

0. Graham, Kuo, Nuyens, Scheichl, Sloan (J. Comput. Physics, 2011)

- application of QMC to the **lognormal** case
- use circulant embedding to avoid truncation of KL expansion
- **detailed numerical experiments**, but no error analysis

1. Kuo, Schwab, Sloan (SINUM, to appear)

- application of QMC to the **uniform** case
- no numerical results, but we gave a **complete error analysis**
- matches the best  $N$  term result by Cohen, De Vore, Schwab (2010)
- **for the first time we know precisely how to choose the weights**

2. Kuo, Schwab, Sloan (submitted)

- a **multi-level** version of the analysis for the **uniform** case

3. Graham, Kuo, Nichols, Scheichl, Schwab, Sloan (in progress)

- application of QMC to the **lognormal** case
- detailed numerical experiments as well as complete error analysis



# A model problem – the uniform case

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$$-\nabla \cdot (a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \nabla u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})) = f(\mathbf{x}) \quad \text{in } D,$$

$$u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial D, \quad \mathbf{y} \in U := [-\tfrac{1}{2}, \tfrac{1}{2}]^{\mathbb{N}},$$

with  $D$  a bounded Lipschitz domain in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , and

$$a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \bar{a} + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \mathbf{y}_j \psi_j(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{x} \in D, \quad \mathbf{y} \in U.$$

Here  $\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \dots$  are independent random variables uniformly distributed on  $[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]$ ; with  $\psi_j$  such that  $\sum_j \|\psi_j\|_{\infty} < \infty$ , and with  $\bar{a}$  large enough and  $\sum_j \|\psi_j\|_{\infty}$  small enough to ensure

$$a_{\max} \geq a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \geq a_{\min} > 0,$$

making the PDE strongly elliptic for every  $\mathbf{y}$ .



# Why this problem?

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Recently Cohen, De Vore and Schwab, in "Convergence rates of best  $N$ -term Galerkin approximations for a class of elliptic sPDEs", Foundations of Computational Mathematics (2010), established sharp error bounds for exactly this problem. They used a stochastic Galerkin method, combined with (non-constructive) 'best  $N$ -term approximation'.

We aim to design QMC rules that achieve the same result.

This problem is one in which the dimensionality (i.e. the number of parameters  $y_j$ ) is **infinite**.



# Method: FEM plus QMC

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Finite element method to solve PDE for a fixed  $\mathbf{y}$ .

Quasi-Monte Carlo method to integrate over  $\mathbf{y}$ .





# Other approaches

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Wiener, Babuska, Schwab, Tempone, Nobile, Karniadakis, Xiu, Scheichl, Ghanem, ...

There are many other approaches, including

- polynomial chaos,
- generalized polynomial chaos,
- stochastic Galerkin,
- stochastic collocation
- Monte Carlo

**All methods for PDE with random coefficients face serious challenges when the dimensionality is high.**

And when all else fails, people who need answers generally turn to Monte Carlo methods. We aim to beat Monte Carlo.



# What do we want to calculate?

The problem is to compute the **expected value** of

$$F(\mathbf{y}) := G(u(\cdot, \mathbf{y}))$$

for some linear functional  $G$  of the solution  $u$  of the PDE.

The expected value is an infinite-dimensional **integral**, where the meaning is:

$$\begin{aligned} I[F] &:= \int_{\left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right]^{\mathbb{N}}} F(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \\ &:= \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right]^s} F(y_1, \dots, y_s, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}, \dots) dy_1 \dots dy_s. \end{aligned}$$

Note that replacing  $y_{s+1}, y_{s+2}, \dots$  by  $\mathbf{0}$  is equivalent to replacing

$a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  by  $a_s(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) := \bar{a}(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{j=1}^s y_j \psi_j(\mathbf{x})$ .



# The smoother the better

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The faster the decay of  $\|\psi_j\|_\infty$ , the smoother (with respect to  $\mathbf{x}$ ) is the random field  $a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ , and the easier it is to get fast convergence.

**We suppose that there exists  $p$  satisfying  $0 < p \leq 1$  such that**

$$\sum_{j \geq 1} \|\psi_j\|_\infty^p < \infty. \quad (1)$$

The smaller is  $p$  the faster the convergence of  $\sum_j y_j \psi_j(\mathbf{x})$ , and the fewer points we should need in our QMC rule.

**Example: If  $\psi_j(\mathbf{x}) = j^{-\frac{3}{2}-\delta} \times$  uniformly bounded functions of  $\mathbf{x}$ , with  $\delta > 0$ , then  $\|\psi_j\|_\infty \leq c j^{-\frac{3}{2}-\delta}$ , and we may take  $p = 2/3$ .**

This is exactly the smoothness required by Cohen et al. to achieve  $O(N^{-1})$  convergence, so  $p = 2/3$  is special.



# The approximation

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Recall: the problem is to compute the expected value (i.e. the integral) of a linear functional of  $u$ ,

$$F(\mathbf{y}) := G(u(\cdot, \mathbf{y})).$$

**We will approximate  $I(F)$  by  $Q_{N,s}(F_h)$ , where  $F_h = G(u_h(\cdot, \mathbf{y}))$  is the functional  $G$  applied to the finite element solution  $u_h$ .**



# What is the error?

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$$\begin{aligned} & I(G(u)) - Q_{N,s}(G(u_h)) \\ &= (I - I_s)(G(u)) + (I_s(G(u)) - Q_{N,s}(G(u))) + Q_{N,s}(G(u - u_h)) . \end{aligned}$$

The overall error is a sum of

- a *dimension truncation error* (which is inevitable when a finite-dimensional QMC method is used for an infinite dimensional integral),
- a *quadrature error*, and
- a *FE discretization error*



# The quadrature error

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Here we use a QMC integration rule, and focus on the quadrature error,

$$|I_s(F) - Q_{N,s}(F)|,$$

with  $F(\mathbf{y}) = G(u(\cdot, \mathbf{y}))$ .

First, look at the error  $|I_s(F) - Q_{N,s,\Delta}(F)|$  where  $Q_{N,s,\Delta}$  is the shifted lattice rule with shift  $\Delta$ ,

$$Q_{N,s,\Delta}(F) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N F\left(\left\{\frac{k\mathbf{z}}{N} + \Delta\right\} - \left(\frac{1}{2}, \dots, \frac{1}{2}\right)\right)$$



# From worst case error to error bound

Recall: the **worst case error** for the rule  $Q_{N,s,\Delta}$  in the space  $H_{s,\gamma}$  is:

$$e_{N,s,\gamma,\Delta} := \sup_{\|F\|_{s,\gamma} \leq 1} |I_s(F) - Q_{N,s,\Delta}(F)|.$$

$$\Rightarrow |I_s(F) - Q_{N,s,\Delta}(F)| \leq e_{N,s,\gamma,\Delta} \times \|F\|_{s,\gamma}$$

And if we now take the root mean square average over shifts,

$$\sqrt{\mathbb{E}[(I_s(F) - Q_{N,s,\cdot}(F))^2]} \leq e_{N,s,\gamma}^{\text{rms}} \times \|F\|_{s,\gamma},$$

where  $e_{N,s,\gamma}^{\text{rms}}$  is the **shift-averaged worst-case error**,

$$e_{N,s,\gamma}^{\text{rms}} := \sqrt{\mathbb{E}[e(Q_{N,s,\cdot}; H_{s,\gamma})]^2}.$$

(Here the expectation  $\mathbb{E}$  is just the **integral** over all shifts  $\Delta$ .)

# Error bound

$$\sqrt{\mathbb{E}[(I(F) - Q_{N,s,\cdot}(F))^2]} \leq e_{N,s,\gamma}^{\text{rms}} \times \|F\|_{s,\gamma}.$$

From before, with small modification to the norm,

$$\|F\|_{s,\gamma} := \left( \sum_{u \subseteq \{1, \dots, s\}} \frac{1}{\gamma_u} \int_{[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]^{|u|}} \left| \int_{[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]^{s-|u|}} \frac{\partial^{|u|} F}{\partial \mathbf{y}_u}(\mathbf{y}_u, \mathbf{y}_{-u}) d\mathbf{y}_{-u} \right|^2 d\mathbf{y}_u \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

And for general weights  $\gamma_u$ , and  $\mathbf{z}$  from CBC it can be shown that

$$e_{N,s,\gamma}^{\text{rms}} \leq \frac{1}{N^{1/2\lambda}} \left( \sum_{\emptyset \neq u \subseteq \{1, \dots, s\}} \gamma_u^\lambda \left( \frac{2\zeta(2\lambda)}{(2\pi^2)^\lambda} \right)^{|u|} \right)^{1/2\lambda}$$

for all  $\lambda \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1]$ . (We would like  $\lambda = 1/2$ , but  $\zeta(x) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $x \rightarrow 1$ .)

Choosing weights  $\gamma_u$  is delicate: smaller weights reduces  $e^{\text{rms}}$  but increases  $\|F\|_{s,\gamma}$ .





# We need to bound the norm

$$\|F\|_{s,\gamma} := \left( \sum_{u \subseteq \{1, \dots, s\}} \frac{1}{\gamma_u} \int_{[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]^{|u|}} \left| \int_{[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]^{s-|u|}} \frac{\partial^{|u|} F}{\partial \mathbf{y}_u}(\mathbf{y}_u, \mathbf{y}_{-u}) d\mathbf{y}_{-u} \right|^2 d\mathbf{y}_u \right)^{1/2},$$

We need to find a bound on the norm  $\|F\|_{s,\gamma}$ .

This involves finding mixed first partial derivatives with respect to  $\mathbf{y}$ .

How? By differentiating the PDE.



# The PDE in weak form

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Let  $V := H_0^1(D)$ .

Then the weak (parametric) form of the PDE is: for  $\mathbf{y} \in U$

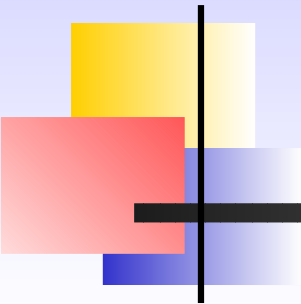
$$\int_D a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \nabla u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \nabla v(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = \int_D f(\mathbf{x}) v(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \quad \forall v \in V,$$

**[Stochastic Galerkin:** Integrate also with respect to  $\mathbf{y}$ . Choose  $u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), v(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  from a tensor product of finite dimensional spaces.

**Stochastic collocation:** Collocate the above equation at  $\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \dots, \mathbf{y}_M]$

Differentiating with respect to  $y_j$ , we get (with  $\partial_{\mathbf{y}} := \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{y}}$ )

$$\int_D a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \nabla \partial_{y_j} u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \nabla v(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} + \int_D \psi_j(\mathbf{x}) \nabla u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \nabla v(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = 0,$$



$$\int_D a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) |\nabla \partial_{y_j} u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|^2 d\mathbf{x} = - \int_D \psi_j(\mathbf{x}) \nabla u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \nabla \partial_{y_j} u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{x} ,$$

$$\Rightarrow$$

$$a_{\min} \|\partial_{y_j} u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})\|_V^2 \leq \|\psi_j\|_\infty \|u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})\|_V \|\partial_{y_j} u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})\|_V$$

$$\Rightarrow$$

$$\|\partial_{y_j} u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})\|_V \leq \frac{\|\psi_j\|_\infty}{a_{\min}} \|u(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})\|_V$$

$$\leq \frac{\|\psi_j\|_\infty}{a_{\min}} \frac{\|f\|_{H^{-1}}}{a_{\min}} .$$

# Differentiating with respect to other $y_k$

Keep differentiating, and getting similar estimates. Eventually,

$$\begin{aligned} & \|u\|_{H_{s,\gamma}([-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]^s, V)} \\ &:= \left( \sum_{u \in \{1:s\}} \frac{1}{\gamma_u} \int_{[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]^{|u|}} \left\| \int_{[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]^{s-|u|}} \partial_{\mathbf{y}_u} u(\cdot; \mathbf{y}_u, \mathbf{y}_{-u}) d\mathbf{y}_{-u} \right\|_V^2 d\mathbf{y}_u \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq \left( \sum_{|u| < \infty} \frac{(|u|!)^2}{\gamma_u} \prod_{j \in u} \left( \frac{\|\psi_j\|_\infty}{a_{\min}} \right)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\|f\|_{H^{-1}(D)}}{a_{\min}}. \end{aligned}$$

But is this sum bounded as  $s \rightarrow \infty$ ? It is if we choose the weights  $\gamma_u$  large enough!

## Now choose the weights

Now choose the weights to minimise the upper bound on  
worst-case error  $\times$  norm, i.e. choose weights to minimise

$$\left( \sum_{\emptyset \neq u \subseteq \{1, \dots, s\}} \gamma_u^\lambda \left( \frac{2\zeta(2\lambda)}{(2\pi^2)^\lambda} \right)^{|u|} \right)^{1/2\lambda} \times \left( \sum_{|u| < \infty} \frac{(|u|!)^2}{\gamma_u} \prod_{j \in u} \left( \frac{\|\psi_j\|_\infty}{a_{\min}} \right)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

The (elementary!) answer is:

$$\gamma_u = (|u|!)^{\frac{2}{1+\lambda}} \prod_{j \in u} \alpha_j,$$

$$\text{where } \alpha_j = \frac{\|\psi\|_\infty}{a_{\min} \sqrt{2\zeta(2\lambda)/(2\pi^2)^\lambda}^\lambda}$$

# Main results for quad. error

**Theorem** Kuo, Schwab, S. SIAM J Numer Anal, to appear

Assume that for some  $p \leq 1$  we have  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \|\psi_j\|_{\infty}^p < \infty$ ,

eg  $\|\psi_j\|_{\infty} = j^{-\frac{1}{p}-\epsilon}$ , and that the weights are as above.

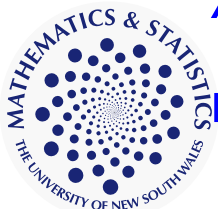
(a) Then  $\|u\|_{H_{\gamma}(U,V)} < \infty$ .

(b) And if we now assume  $p \leq 2/3$  then for arbitrary  $\epsilon > 0$  we have

$$\text{error}^{\text{QMC}} \leq CN^{-1+\epsilon}.$$

**Thus we get the optimal  $O(N^{-1+\epsilon})$  result for  $p=2/3$ , which is exactly as in the best  $N$ -term results of Cohen, De Vore and Schwab.**

**All our convergence results up to  $O(N^{-1+\delta})$  match the best  $N$ -term results, under exactly the same conditions.**





# CBC for POD weights?

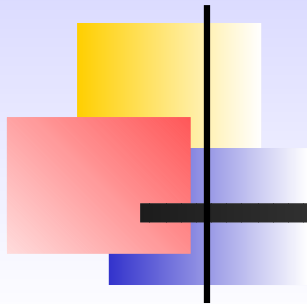
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The weights in the Theorem are **POD** weights, i.e., weights of the “product and order-dependent” form

$$\gamma_{\mathbf{u}} = \Gamma_{|\mathbf{u}|} \prod_{j \in \mathbf{u}} \alpha_j.$$

It turns out (Kuo, Scwhab, S, ANZIAM J, to appear) that fast CBC is possible for POD weights: only a small modification needed from the already existing CBC algorithm for ‘order-dependent’ weights  $\gamma_{\mathbf{u}} = \Gamma_{|\mathbf{u}|}$  IHS,

Wang and Woźniakowski 2004.



**Thus we can construct cheaply a (randomly shifted) lattice rule that achieves the optimal result, for linear functionals of the solution to the model PDE – a simple PDE but one with an infinite number of terms to describe the random coefficient.**





# The lognormal permeability field

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Write permeability as  $a(\mathbf{x}, \omega)$

$\omega \in \Omega$ , a probability space.

A common model is the **lognormal** field:

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

where  $Z(\mathbf{x}, \cdot)$  is a **Gaussian** random field with **mean zero** and **covariance function**  $R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})$ .


That is,

$$R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) := \mathbb{E}[Z(\mathbf{x}, \cdot)Z(\mathbf{z}, \cdot)].$$




# Examples of 2d covariance functions

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$$R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sigma^2 \exp \left( -\frac{|x_1 - y_1|^2 + |x_2 - y_2|^2}{\lambda^2} \right),$$

– very smooth


$$R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sigma^2 \exp \left( -\frac{\sqrt{|x_1 - y_1|^2 + |x_2 - y_2|^2}}{\lambda} \right),$$

– not smooth at  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$ .

where  $\sigma^2$  is the **variance**, and  $\lambda$  is the **correlation length**.

How to compute realisations of the input field? One way is:



# Karhunen-Loève expansion

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$$Z(\mathbf{x}, \omega) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sqrt{\mu_j} \mathbf{y}_j \phi_j(\mathbf{x}),$$

where  $(\mu_j, \phi_j)$  satisfy

$$\int_D R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \phi_j(\mathbf{y}) \, d\mathbf{y} = \mu_j \phi_j(\mathbf{x}),$$

$$\int_D \phi_i(\mathbf{y}) \phi_j(\mathbf{y}) \, d\mathbf{y} = \delta_{ij},$$

and the  $\mathbf{y}_j$  are independent standard normal random numbers.

The sequence  $(\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \dots)$  corresponds to the point  $\omega$  in the probability space.

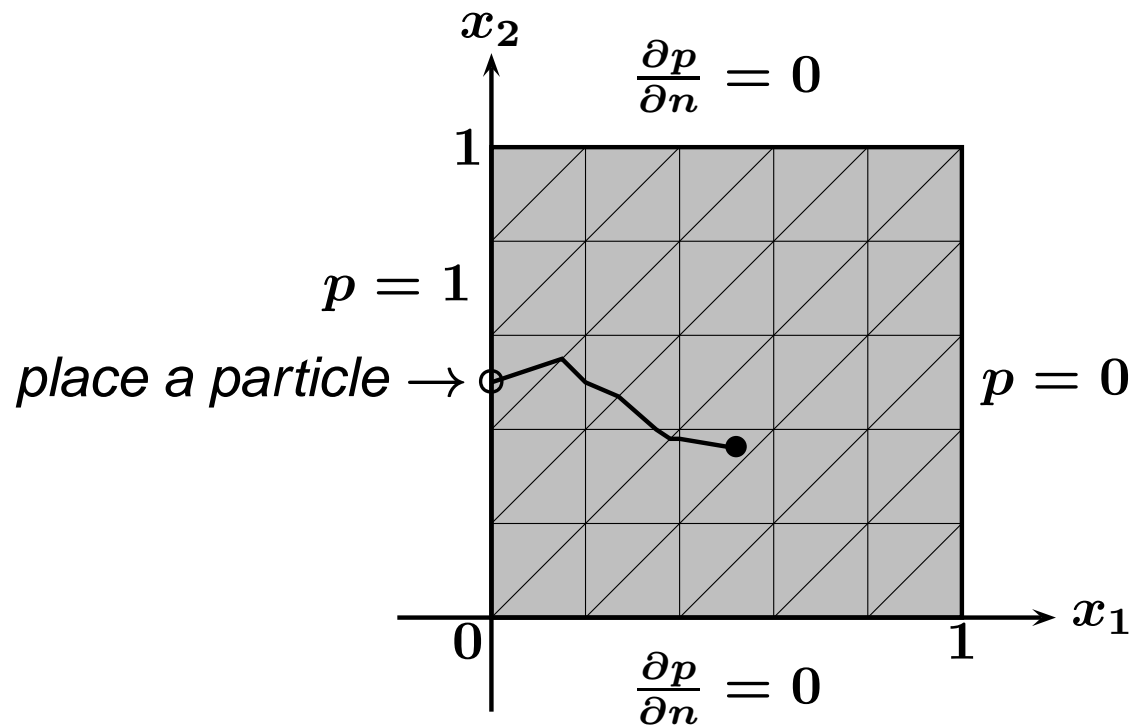
In practice the sum is truncated after say  $s$  terms. Then the expected value is an  $s$ -dimensional integral.

# Particle paths

For a particular realisation of the permeability field, after we have found the pressure field  $p$ , to find the position  $\mathbf{x}$  of a particle of the fluid solve

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = \vec{q}(\mathbf{x}) = -a(\mathbf{x})\nabla p(\mathbf{x}),$$

subject to  $\mathbf{x} = (0, 0.5)$  at  $t = 0$ .



# Particle displacement after time $t = 0.1$

