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$$\sigma_{BHL}^2 = \sigma_R^2 + \sigma_S^2$$
$$\mu_R = \mu_S$$

ELEVATION

σ

$\Phi(\cdot)$

$\int \Phi(-z/\sqrt{2}) dz$

Outline

- ① Introduction
- ② A new moment-independent measure
- ③ Benchmark application
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A few examples

FORM importance factors $\alpha = -\frac{\nabla G_{U^*}}{\|\nabla G_{U^*}\|}, \quad IF_i = \alpha_i^2$

Partial derivatives $S_{j,i} = \frac{\partial P_f}{\partial \theta_{j,i}}, \quad \text{where } X_i \sim F_{X_i}(x_i, \theta)$

Goal-oriented measure $S_{\Psi}^i = \frac{\text{Var}[\mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{D}_f}(X)] - \mathbb{E}_{X_i}[\text{Var}[\mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{D}_f}(X|X_i)]]}{\text{Var}[\mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{D}_f}(X)]}$

Moment-independent sensitivity (Borgonovo)

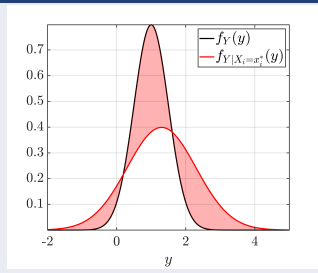
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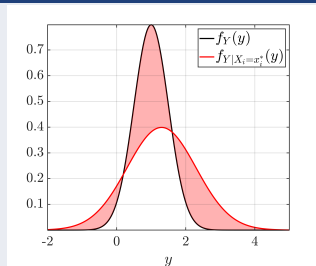
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Properties

- Global: the entire input space is considered
- Bounded: $\delta_i \in [0, 1]$
- Useful for model selection ($\delta_i = 0 \iff X_i$ is unimportant)
- Expensive to estimate (need $f_Y(y)$ and $f_{Y|X_i}(y)$)

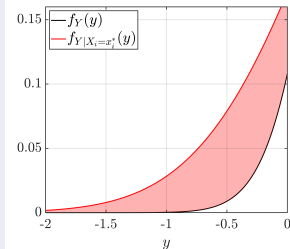
Extension to sensitivity-reliability

Same idea, but focus on the failure domain

Rationale:

Measure the difference between unconditional and conditional $f_Y(y)$ in the failure domain

$$d_i(x_i) = \int_{Y \leq 0} |f_Y(y) - f_{Y|X_i=x_i}(y)| dy$$



Two measures

$$\delta_i^{\text{RSA}_1} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\mathbb{E}[d_i(x_i)]}{\int_{Y \leq 0} f_Y(y) dy} \right) = \frac{\mathbb{E}[d_i(x_i)]}{2P_f} \quad \delta_i^{\text{RSA}_2} = \frac{\sqrt{\text{Var}[d_i(x_i)]}}{2P_f}$$

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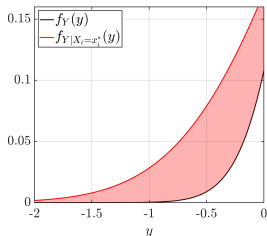
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Estimation through Monte Carlo simulation

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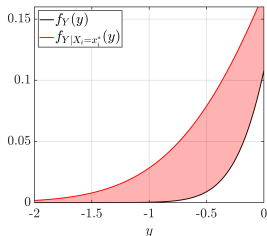


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Solution

Approximate conditional sampling from a large MCS sample
(Same approach as *histogram-based* Borgonovo estimators)

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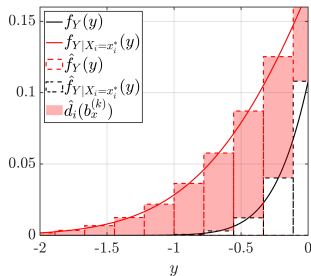
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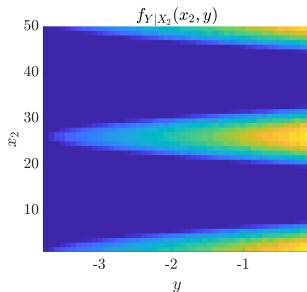
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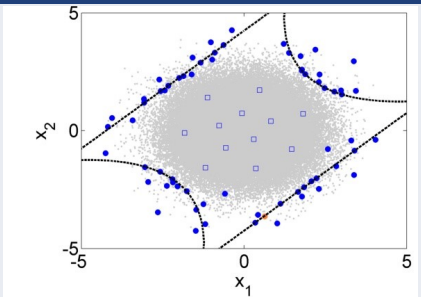
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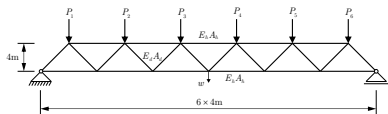


Calculate the $\delta_i^{\text{RSA}_{1,2}}$ with the final $\hat{g}(\mathbf{x})$ on a very large MCS sample

Elastic truss structure

Blatman *et al.*, 2007

Problem statement



10 independent variables

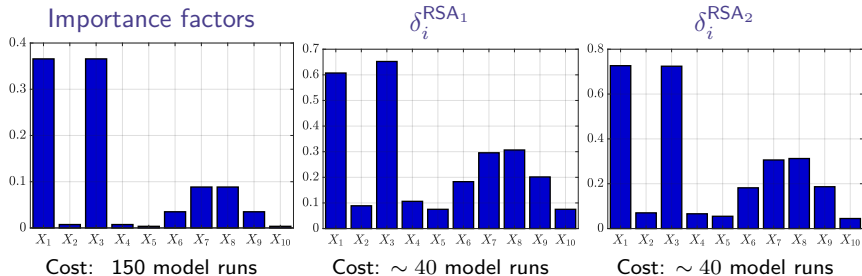
- Response quantity: **max. deflection**
- Black-box FEM model

- 4 describing the bars properties
- 6 describing the loads

Probabilistic model

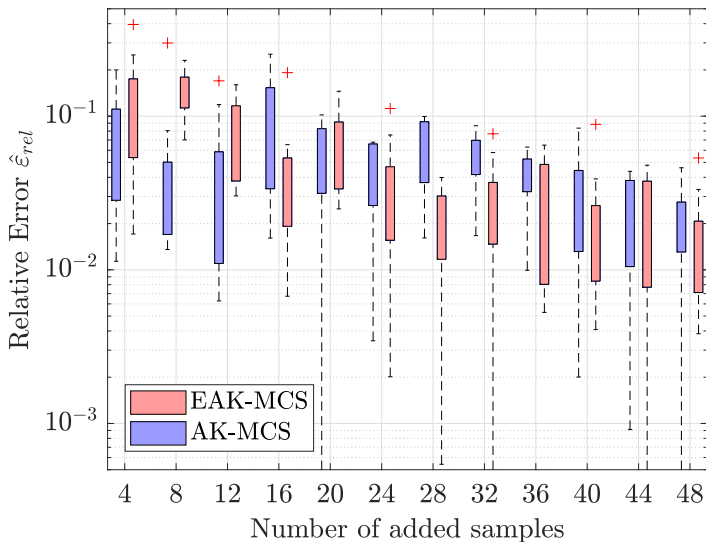
Parameters	Name	Distribution	Mean	Std. Deviation
Young's modulus	E_1, E_2 (Pa)	Lognormal	2.10×10^{11}	2.10×10^{10}
Hor. bars section	A_1 (m ²)	Lognormal	2.0×10^{-3}	2.0×10^{-4}
Vert. bars section	A_2 (m ²)	Lognormal	1.0×10^{-3}	1.0×10^{-4}
Loads	P_1-P_6 (N)	Gumbel	5.0×10^4	7.5×10^3

Truss: results

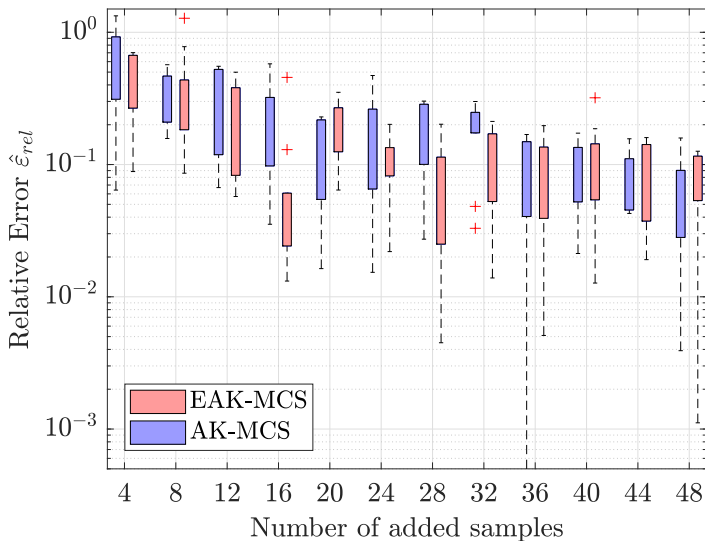


Note: Probability of failure: $P_f \approx 10^{-3}$

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Summary and Outlook

Summary

- A novel set of reliability-sensitivity indices has been proposed
- The two different indices provide complementary information about the problem
- The proposed measure does not require independence of the input distribution
- Thanks to a novel adaptive algorithm, the indices can be calculated with a manageable number of model runs

Outlook

- Extensions of the active-learning algorithm to parallel computing
- Development of dedicated surrogate strategies to improve the accuracy of the tails of the conditional distributions

Questions ?



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