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Computational models in engineering

Complex engineering systems are designed and assessed using **computational models**, a.k.a **simulators**

A computational model combines:

- A **mathematical description** of the physical phenomena (governing equations), e.g. mechanics, electromagnetism, fluid dynamics, etc.
- **Discretization techniques** which transform continuous equations into linear algebra problems
- Algorithms to **solve** the discretized equations

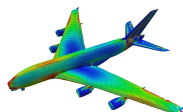
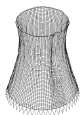
$$\begin{aligned}\operatorname{div} \boldsymbol{\sigma} + \mathbf{f} &= \mathbf{0} \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma} &= \mathbf{D} \cdot \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} &= \frac{1}{2} (\nabla \mathbf{u} + {}^T \nabla \mathbf{u})\end{aligned}$$



Computational models in engineering

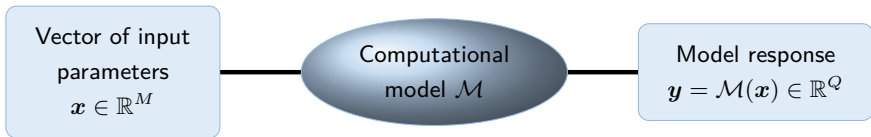
Computational models are used:

- To explore the design space (“**virtual prototypes**”)
- To **optimize** the system (e.g. minimize the mass) under performance constraints
- To assess its **robustness** w.r.t uncertainty and its **reliability**
- Together with experimental data for **calibration** purposes



Computational models: the abstract viewpoint

A computational model may be seen as a **black box** program that computes **quantities of interest** (QoI) (a.k.a. **model responses**) as a function of input parameters



- Geometry
- Material properties
- Loading

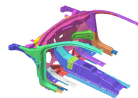


- Analytical formula
- Finite element model
- Comput. workflow

- Displacements
- Strains, stresses
- Temperature, etc.

Real world is uncertain

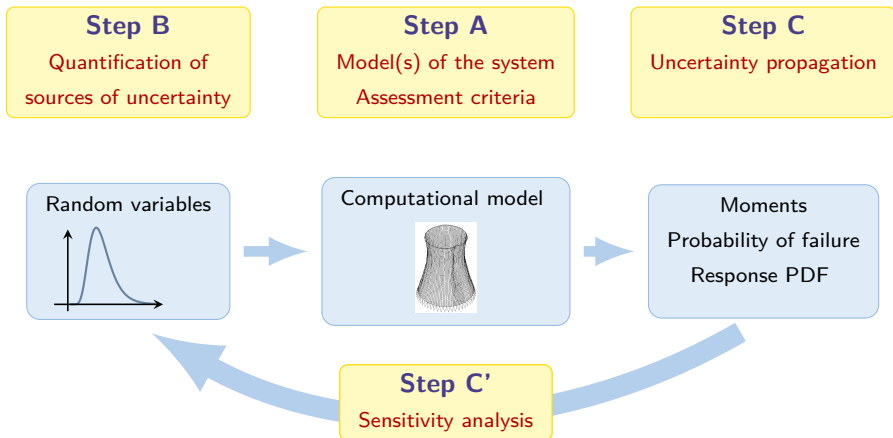
- Differences between the **designed** and the **real** system:
 - Dimensions (tolerances in manufacturing)
 - Material properties (e.g. variability of the stiffness or resistance)
- **Unforecast exposures:** exceptional service loads, natural hazards (earthquakes, floods, landslides), climate loads (hurricanes, snow storms, etc.), accidental human actions (explosions, fire, etc.)



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 - Kriging equations
 - Use in structural reliability

Global framework for uncertainty quantification



B. Sudret, *Uncertainty propagation and sensitivity analysis in mechanical models – contributions to structural reliability and stochastic spectral methods* (2007)

Step B: Quantification of the sources of uncertainty

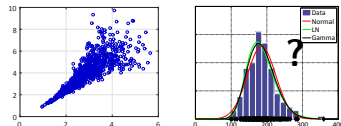
Goal: represent the uncertain parameters based on the **available data and information**

Probabilistic model f_X

Experimental data is available

- What is the **distribution** of each parameter ?
- What is the **dependence structure** ?

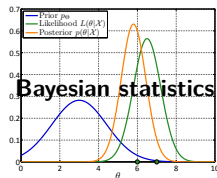
Copula theory



No data is available: expert judgment

- Engineering knowledge (e.g. reasonable bounds and uniform distributions)
- Statistical arguments and literature (e.g. extreme value distributions for climatic events)

Scarce data + expert information



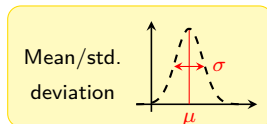
Step C: uncertainty propagation

Goal: estimate the uncertainty / variability of the **quantities of interest** (QoI)
 $Y = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X})$ due to the input uncertainty $f_{\mathbf{X}}$

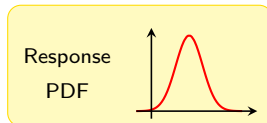
- Output statistics, *i.e.* mean, standard deviation, etc.

$$\mu_Y = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{X}} [\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X})]$$

$$\sigma_Y^2 = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{X}} [(\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X}) - \mu_Y)^2]$$

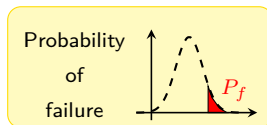


- **Distribution** of the QoI



- **Probability** of exceeding an admissible threshold y_{adm}

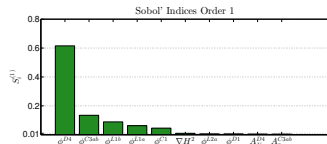
$$P_f = \mathbb{P}(Y \geq y_{adm})$$



Step C': sensitivity analysis

Goal: determine what are the input parameters (or combinations thereof) whose uncertainty explains the variability of the quantities of interest

- **Screening:** detect input parameters whose uncertainty has no impact on the output variability
- **Feature setting:** detect input parameters which allow one to best decrease the output variability when set to a deterministic value
- **Exploration:** detect interactions between parameters, *i.e.* joint effects not detected when varying parameters one-at-a-time



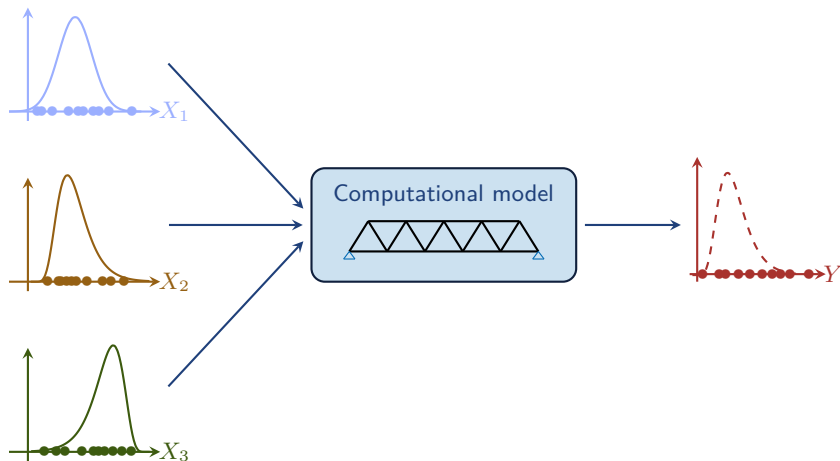
Variance decomposition (Sobol' indices)

Uncertainty propagation using Monte Carlo simulation

Principle: Generate **virtual prototypes** of the system using **random numbers**

- A sample set $\mathcal{X} = \{\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n\}$ is drawn according to the input distribution $f_{\mathbf{X}}$
- For each sample the quantity of interest (resp. performance criterion) is evaluated, say $\mathcal{Y} = \{\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}_1), \dots, \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}_n)\}$
- The set of model outputs is used for moments-, distribution- or reliability analysis

Uncertainty propagation using Monte Carlo simulation



Advantages/Drawbacks of Monte Carlo simulation

Advantages

- Universal method: only rely upon **sampling** random numbers and running repeatedly the computational model
- Sound statistical foundations: convergence when $n \rightarrow \infty$
- Suited to **High Performance Computing**: “embarrassingly parallel”

Drawbacks

- **Statistical uncertainty**: results are not exactly reproducible when a new analysis is carried out (handled by computing **confidence intervals**)
- **Low efficiency**: convergence rate $\propto n^{-1/2}$

Monte Carlo for reliability analysis

To compute $P_f = 10^{-k}$ with an accuracy of $\pm 10\%$ (coef. of variation of 5%), $4 \cdot 10^{k+2}$ runs are required

Surrogate models for uncertainty quantification

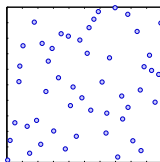
A **surrogate model** $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}$ is an **approximation** of the original computational model \mathcal{M} with the following features:

- It is built from a **limited** set of runs of the original model \mathcal{M} called the **experimental design** $\mathcal{X} = \{\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, i = 1, \dots, N\}$
- It assumes some regularity of the model \mathcal{M} and some general functional shape

Name	Shape	Parameters
Polynomial chaos expansions	$\tilde{\mathcal{M}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} a_{\alpha} \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x})$	\mathbf{a}_{α}
Low-rank tensor approximations	$\tilde{\mathcal{M}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{l=1}^R b_l \left(\prod_{i=1}^M v_l^{(i)}(x_i) \right)$	$b_l, z_{k,l}^{(i)}$
Kriging (a.k.a Gaussian processes)	$\tilde{\mathcal{M}}(\mathbf{x}) = \boldsymbol{\beta}^{\top} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) + Z(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\omega})$	$\boldsymbol{\beta}, \sigma_Z^2, \boldsymbol{\theta}$
Support vector machines	$\tilde{\mathcal{M}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}) + b$	\mathbf{a}, b

Ingredients for building a surrogate model

- Select an **experimental design** \mathcal{X} that covers at best the domain of input parameters: **Latin hypercube sampling (LHS)**, **low-discrepancy sequences**
- Run the computational model \mathcal{M} onto \mathcal{X} **exactly as in Monte Carlo simulation**
- Smartly post-process the data $\{\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X})\}$ through a **learning algorithm**



Name	Learning method
Polynomial chaos expansions	sparse grid integration, least-squares, compressive sensing
Low-rank tensor approximations	alternate least squares
Kriging	maximum likelihood, Bayesian inference
Support vector machines	quadratic programming

Advantages of surrogate models

Usage

$$\mathcal{M}(x) \approx \tilde{\mathcal{M}}(x)$$

hours per run seconds for 10^6 runs

Advantages

- **Non-intrusive methods:** based on runs of the computational model, exactly as in Monte Carlo simulation
- **Suited to high performance computing:** “embarrassingly parallel”

Challenges

- Need for rigorous **validation**
- **Communication:** advanced mathematical background

Efficiency: 2-3 orders of magnitude less runs compared to Monte Carlo

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Polynomial chaos expansions in a nutshell

Ghanem & Spanos (1991; 2003); Xiu & Karniadakis (2002); Soize & Ghanem (2004)

- Consider the input random vector \mathbf{X} ($\dim \mathbf{X} = M$) with given probability density function (PDF) $f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^M f_{X_i}(x_i)$
- Assuming that the random output $Y = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X})$ has finite variance, it can be cast as the following **polynomial chaos expansion**:

$$Y = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^M} y_{\alpha} \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{X})$$

where :

- $\Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{X})$: **basis** functions
- y_{α} : **coefficients** to be computed (coordinates)
- The PCE basis $\{\Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{X}), \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^M\}$ is made of **multivariate orthonormal polynomials**

Multivariate polynomial basis

Univariate polynomials

- For each input variable X_i , univariate orthogonal polynomials $\{P_k^{(i)}, k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ are built:

$$\langle P_j^{(i)}, P_k^{(i)} \rangle = \int P_j^{(i)}(u) P_k^{(i)}(u) f_{X_i}(u) du = \gamma_j^{(i)} \delta_{jk}$$

e.g. , Legendre polynomials if $X_i \sim \mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$, Hermite polynomials if $X_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$

- Normalization: $\Psi_j^{(i)} = P_j^{(i)} / \sqrt{\gamma_j^{(i)}} \quad i = 1, \dots, M, \quad j \in \mathbb{N}$

Tensor product construction

$$\Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \prod_{i=1}^M \Psi_{\alpha_i}^{(i)}(x_i) \quad \mathbb{E} [\Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{X}) \Psi_{\beta}(\mathbf{X})] = \delta_{\alpha\beta}$$

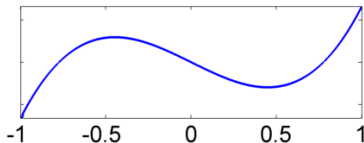
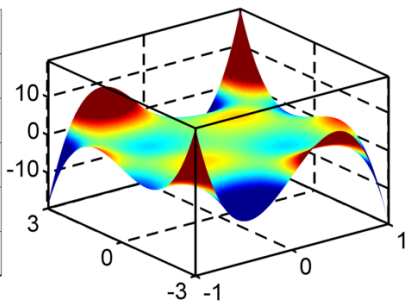
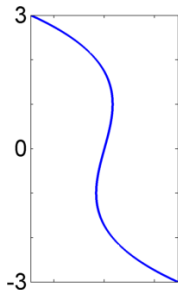
where $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_M)$ are multi-indices (partial degree in each dimension)

Example: $M = 2$

Xiu & Karniadakis (2002)

$$\alpha = [3, 3]$$

$$\Psi_{(3,3)}(\mathbf{x}) = \tilde{P}_3(x_1) \cdot \tilde{H}e_3(x_2)$$



- $X_1 \sim \mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$:
Legendre polynomials
- $X_2 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$:
Hermite polynomials

Dealing with complex input distributions

Independent variables

Input parameters with given marginal CDFs $X_i \sim F_{X_i}$, $i = 1, \dots, M$

- **Arbitrary PCE**: orthogonal polynomial computed numerically on-the-fly
- **Isoprobabilistic transform** through a one-to-one mapping to reduced variables, *e.g.* :

$$X_i = F_{X_i}^{-1} \left(\frac{\xi_i + 1}{2} \right) \quad \text{if } \xi_i \sim \mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$$

$$X_i = F_{X_i}^{-1} (\Phi(\xi_i)) \quad \text{if } \xi_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

General case: addressing dependence

Sklar's theorem (1959)

- The joint CDF is defined through its marginals and **copula**

$$F_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{C} (F_{X_1}(x_1), \dots, F_{X_M}(x_M))$$

- Rosenblatt or Nataf isoprobabilistic transform is used

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Computing the coefficients by least-square minimization

Isukapalli (1999); Berveiller, Sudret & Lemaire (2006)

Principle

The exact (infinite) series expansion is considered as the sum of a **truncated series** and a **residual**:

$$Y = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} y_{\alpha} \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{X}) + \varepsilon_P \equiv \mathbf{Y}^T \Psi(\mathbf{X}) + \varepsilon_P(\mathbf{X})$$

where : $\mathbf{Y} = \{y_{\alpha}, \alpha \in \mathcal{A}\} \equiv \{y_0, \dots, y_{P-1}\}$ (P unknown coefficients)

$$\Psi(\mathbf{x}) = \{\Psi_0(\mathbf{x}), \dots, \Psi_{P-1}(\mathbf{x})\}$$

Least-square minimization

The unknown coefficients are estimated by minimizing the **mean square residual error**:

$$\hat{\mathbf{Y}} = \arg \min \mathbb{E} \left[(\mathbf{Y}^T \Psi(\mathbf{X}) - \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X}))^2 \right]$$

Discrete (ordinary) least-square minimization

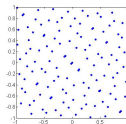
An estimate of the mean square error (sample average) is minimized:

$$\hat{\mathbf{Y}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^P} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{Y}^\top \Psi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}))^2$$

Procedure

- Select a truncation scheme, e.g. $\mathcal{A}^{M,p} = \{\boldsymbol{\alpha} \in \mathbb{N}^M : |\boldsymbol{\alpha}|_1 \leq p\}$
- Select an **experimental design** and evaluate the model response

$$\mathbf{M} = \{\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(1)}), \dots, \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(n)})\}^\top$$



- Compute the experimental matrix

$$\mathbf{A}_{ij} = \Psi_j(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \quad i = 1, \dots, n; \quad j = 0, \dots, P-1$$

- Solve the resulting **linear system**

$$\hat{\mathbf{Y}} = (\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{M}$$

Simple is beautiful !

Error estimators

- In least-squares analysis, the **generalization error** is defined as:

$$E_{gen} = \mathbb{E} \left[\left(\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X}) - \mathcal{M}^{PC}(\mathbf{X}) \right)^2 \right] \quad \mathcal{M}^{PC}(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} y_{\alpha} \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{X})$$

- The **empirical error** based on the experimental design \mathcal{X} is a poor estimator in case of **overfitting**

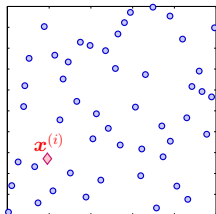
$$E_{emp} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - \mathcal{M}^{PC}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \right)^2$$

- The **coefficient of determination** R^2 is often used as an error estimator:

$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{E_{emp}}{\text{Var}[\mathcal{Y}]} \quad \text{Var}[\mathcal{Y}] = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - \bar{\mathcal{Y}} \right)^2$$

R^2 is a poor estimator of the accuracy of the PCE when there is overfitting

Leave-one-out cross validation



- An experimental design $\mathcal{X} = \{\mathbf{x}^{(j)}, j = 1, \dots, n\}$ is selected
- Polynomial chaos expansions are built using **all points but one**, i.e. based on $\mathcal{X} \setminus \mathbf{x}^{(i)} = \{\mathbf{x}^{(j)}, j = 1, \dots, n, j \neq i\}$

- **Leave-one-out error (PRESS)**

$$E_{LOO} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - \mathcal{M}^{PC \setminus i}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}))^2$$

- Analytical derivation from **a single PC analysis**

$$E_{LOO} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - \mathcal{M}^{PC}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})}{1 - h_i} \right)^2$$

where h_i is the i -th diagonal term of matrix $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T$

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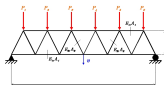
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Curse of dimensionality

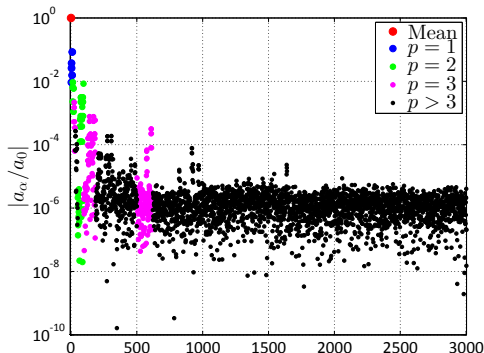
- The cardinality of the truncation scheme $\mathcal{A}^{M,p}$ is $P = \frac{(M+p)!}{M!p!}$
- Typical computational requirements: $n = OSR \cdot P$ where the **oversampling rate** is $OSR = 2 - 3$

However ... most coefficients are close to zero !

Example



- Elastic truss structure with $M = 10$ independent input variables
- PCE of degree $p = 5$ ($P = 3,003$ coefficients)



Hyperbolic truncation sets

Sparsity-of-effects principle

Blatman & Sudret, Prob. Eng. Mech (2010); J. Comp. Phys (2011)

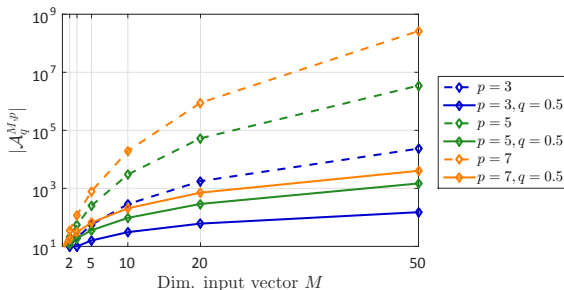
In most engineering problems, only **low-order interactions** between the input variables are relevant

- q -norm of a multi-index α :

$$\|\alpha\|_q \equiv \left(\sum_{i=1}^M \alpha_i^q \right)^{1/q}, \quad 0 < q \leq 1$$

- Hyperbolic truncation sets:

$$\mathcal{A}_q^{M,p} = \{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^M : \|\alpha\|_q \leq p\}$$



Compressive sensing approaches

Blatman & Sudret (2011); Doostan & Owhadi (2011); Sargsyan et al. (2014); Jakeman et al. (2015)

- Sparsity in the solution can be induced by ℓ_1 -regularization:

$$\mathbf{y}_\alpha = \arg \min \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\mathbf{Y}^\top \boldsymbol{\Psi}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \right)^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{y}_\alpha\|_1$$

- Different algorithms: LASSO, orthogonal matching pursuit, Bayesian compressive sensing

Least Angle Regression

Efron et al. (2004)

Blatman & Sudret (2011)

- Least Angle Regression (LAR) solves the LASSO problem for different values of the penalty constant in a single run without matrix inversion
- Leave-one-out cross validation error allows one to select the best model

Sparse PCE: wrap up

Algorithm 1: LAR-based Polynomial chaos expansion

- 1: **Input:** Computational budget n
 - 2: **Initialization**
 - 3: Sample experimental design $\mathcal{X} = \{\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}$
 - 4: Evaluate model response $\mathcal{Y} = \{\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(1)}), \dots, \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(n)})\}$
 - 5: **PCE construction**
 - 6: **for** $p = p_{\min} : p_{\max}$ **do**
 - 7: **for** $q \in \mathcal{Q}$ **do**
 - 8: Select candidate basis $\mathcal{A}_q^{M,p}$
 - 9: Run LAR for extracting the optimal sparse basis $\mathcal{A}^*(p, q)$
 - 10: Compute coefficients $\{y_\alpha, \alpha \in \mathcal{A}^*(p, q)\}$ by OLS
 - 11: Compute $e_{\text{LOO}}(p, q)$
 - 12: **end**
 - 13: **end**
 - 14: $(p^*, q^*) = \arg \min e_{\text{LOO}}(p, q)$
 - 15: **Return** Optimal sparse basis $\mathcal{A}^*(p, q)$, PCE coefficients, $e_{\text{LOO}}(p^*, q^*)$
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Post-processing sparse PC expansions

Statistical moments

- Due to the orthogonality of the basis functions ($\mathbb{E}[\Psi_\alpha(\mathbf{X})\Psi_\beta(\mathbf{X})] = \delta_{\alpha\beta}$) and using $\mathbb{E}[\Psi_{\alpha \neq 0}] = 0$ the **statistical moments** read:

$$\text{Mean: } \hat{\mu}_Y = y_0$$

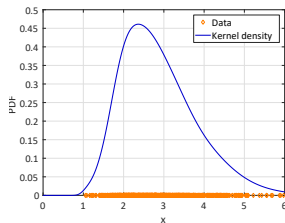
$$\text{Variance: } \hat{\sigma}_Y^2 = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A} \setminus \mathbf{0}} y_\alpha^2$$

Distribution of the QoI

- The PCE can be used as a **response surface** for sampling:

$$\eta_j = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} y_\alpha \Psi_\alpha(\mathbf{x}_j) \quad j = 1, \dots, n_{big}$$

- The **PDF of the response** is estimated by histograms or **kernel smoothing**



Sensitivity analysis

Goal

Sobol' (1993); Saltelli *et al.* (2008)

Global sensitivity analysis aims at quantifying which input parameter(s) (or combinations thereof) influence the most the response variability (variance decomposition)

Hoeffding-Sobol' decomposition

($\mathbf{X} \sim \mathcal{U}([0, 1]^M)$)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}) &= \mathcal{M}_0 + \sum_{i=1}^M \mathcal{M}_i(x_i) + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq M} \mathcal{M}_{ij}(x_i, x_j) + \cdots + \mathcal{M}_{12\dots M}(\mathbf{x}) \\ &= \mathcal{M}_0 + \sum_{\mathbf{u} \subset \{1, \dots, M\}} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{u}}) \quad (\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{u}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_s}\}) \end{aligned}$$

- The summands satisfy the orthogonality condition:

$$\int_{[0,1]^M} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{u}}) \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{v}}(\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{v}}) d\mathbf{x} = 0 \quad \forall \mathbf{u} \neq \mathbf{v}$$

Sobol' indices

Total variance:
$$D \equiv \text{Var} [\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X})] = \sum_{\mathbf{u} \subset \{1, \dots, M\}} \text{Var} [\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{u}})]$$

- Sobol' indices:

$$S_{\mathbf{u}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\text{Var} [\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{u}})]}{D}$$

- First-order Sobol' indices:

$$S_i = \frac{D_i}{D} = \frac{\text{Var} [\mathcal{M}_i(X_i)]}{D}$$

Quantify the **additive** effect of each input parameter **separately**

- Total Sobol' indices:

$$S_i^T \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{\mathbf{u} \supset i} S_{\mathbf{u}}$$

Quantify the **total effect** of X_i , including interactions with the other variables.

Link with PC expansions

Sobol decomposition of a PC expansion

Sudret, CSM (2006); RESS (2008)

Obtained by reordering the terms of the (truncated) PC expansion

$$\mathcal{M}^{\text{PC}}(\mathbf{X}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} y_{\alpha} \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{X})$$

Interaction sets

For a given $\mathbf{u} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{i_1, \dots, i_s\}$: $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{u}} = \{\alpha \in \mathcal{A} : k \in \mathbf{u} \Leftrightarrow \alpha_k \neq 0\}$

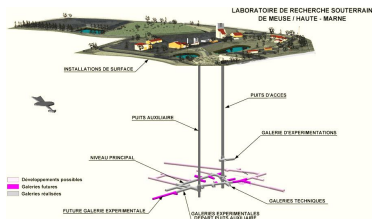
$$\mathcal{M}^{\text{PC}}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{M}_0 + \sum_{\mathbf{u} \subset \{1, \dots, M\}} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{u}}) \quad \text{where} \quad \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{u}}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{u}}} y_{\alpha} \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x})$$

PC-based Sobol' indices

$$S_{\mathbf{u}} = D_{\mathbf{u}}/D = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{u}}} y_{\alpha}^2 / \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A} \setminus \mathbf{0}} y_{\alpha}^2$$

The Sobol' indices are obtained analytically, at any order from the coefficients of the PC expansion

Example: sensitivity analysis in hydrogeology



Source: <http://www.futura-sciences.com/>



Source: <http://lexpansion.lexpress.fr/>

- When assessing a **nuclear waste repository**, the Mean Lifetime Expectancy $MLE(x)$ is the time required for a molecule of water at point x to get out of the boundaries of the system
- Computational models have numerous input parameters (in each geological layer) that are **difficult to measure**, and that show **scattering**

Geological model

Joint work with University of Neuchâtel

Deman, Konakli, Sudret, Kerrou, Perrochet & Benabderrahmane, Reliab. Eng. Sys. Safety (2016)

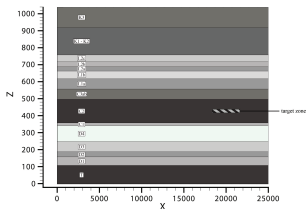
- **Two-dimensional idealized model** of the Paris Basin (25 km long / 1,040 m depth) with 5×5 m mesh (10^6 elements)
- **Steady-state flow** simulation with Dirichlet boundary conditions:

$$\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{K} \cdot \nabla H) = 0$$

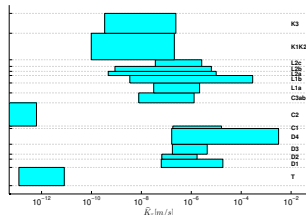
- **15 homogeneous layers** with uncertainties in:
 - Porosity (resp. hydraulic conductivity)
 - Anisotropy of the layer properties (inc. dispersivity)
 - Boundary conditions (hydraulic gradients)

78 input parameters

Sensitivity analysis



Geometry of the layers



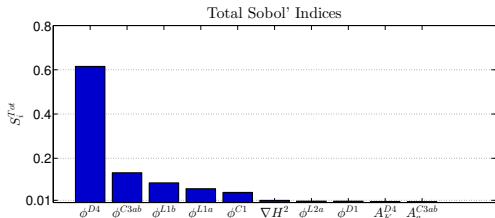
Conductivity of the layers

Question

What are the parameters (out of 78) whose uncertainty drives the uncertainty of the prediction of the mean life-time expectancy?

Sensitivity analysis: results

Technique: Sobol' indices computed from polynomial chaos expansions



Parameter	$\sum_j S_j$
ϕ (resp. K_x)	0.8664
A_K	0.0088
θ	0.0029
α_L	0.0076
A_α	0.0000
∇H	0.0057

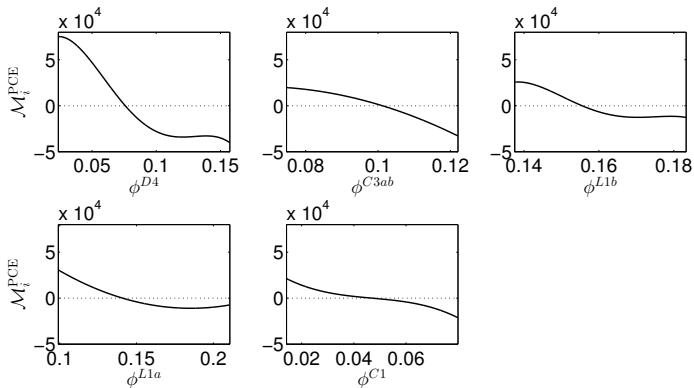
Conclusions

- Only 200 model runs allow one to detect the 10 important parameters out of 78
- Uncertainty in the porosity/conductivity of 5 layers explain 86% of the variability
- Small interactions between parameters detected

Bonus: univariate effects

The **univariate effects** of each variable are obtained as a straightforward post-processing of the PCE

$$\mathcal{M}_i(x_i) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbb{E}[\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X}) | X_i = x_i], \quad i = 1, \dots, M$$



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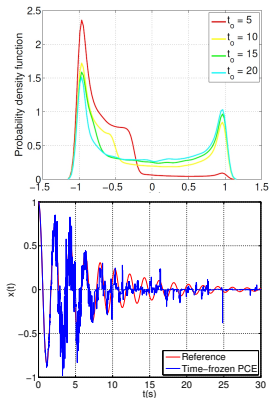
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 - PCE basis
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Polynomial chaos expansions in structural dynamics

Spiridonakos et al. (2015); Mai, Spiridonakos, Chatzi & Sudret, IJUQ (2016); Mai & Sudret, SIAM JUQ (2017)

Premise

- For dynamical systems, the complexity of the map $\xi \mapsto \mathcal{M}(\xi, t)$ increases with time.
- **Time-frozen PCE** does not work beyond first time instants



PC-NARX

- Use of **non linear autoregressive with exogenous input** models (NARX) to capture the dynamics:

$$y(t) = \mathcal{F}(x(t), \dots, x(t - n_x), y(t - 1), \dots, y(t - n_y)) + \epsilon_t \equiv \mathcal{F}(z(t)) + \epsilon_t$$

Earthquake engineering – Bouc-Wen oscillator

Governing equations

Kafali & Grigoriu (2007), Spiridonakos & Chatzi (2015)

$$\ddot{y}(t) + 2\zeta\omega\dot{y}(t) + \omega^2(\rho y(t) + (1-\rho)z(t)) = -x(t),$$

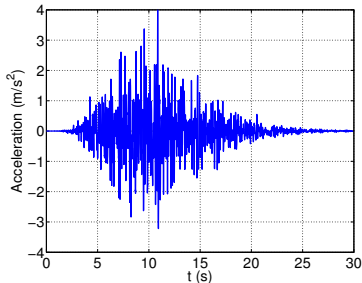
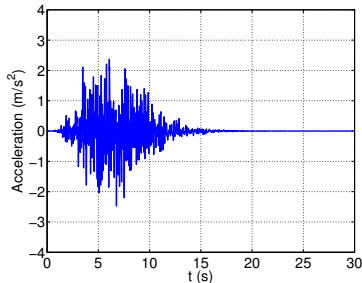
$$\dot{z}(t) = \gamma\dot{y}(t) - \alpha|\dot{y}(t)||z(t)|^{n-1}z(t) - \beta\dot{y}(t)|z(t)|^n,$$

Excitation

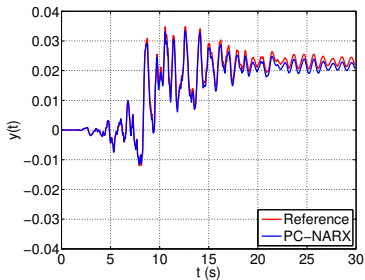
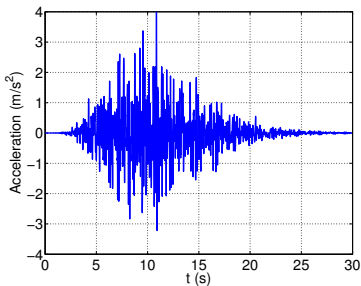
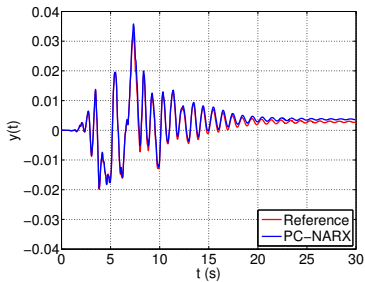
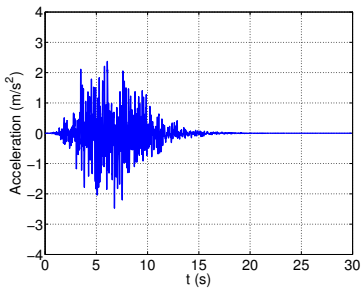
$x(t)$ is generated by a probabilistic ground motion model

Rezaeian & Der Kiureghian (2010)

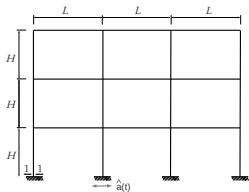
$$x(t) = q(t, \alpha) \sum_{i=1} s_i(t, \lambda(t_i)) U_i$$



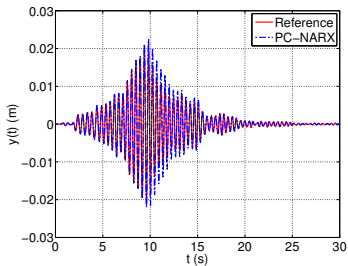
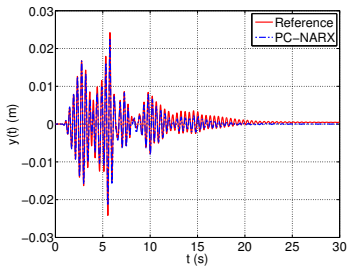
Bouc-Wen model: prediction



Earthquake engineering – frame structure



- 2D steel frame with uncertain properties submitted to synthetic ground motions
- Experimental design of size 300

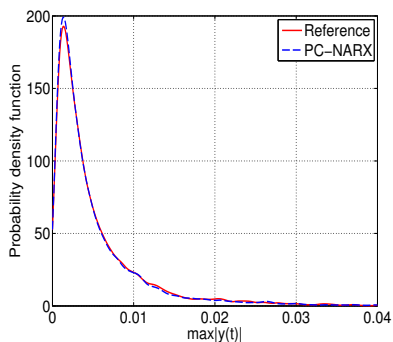


Surrogate model of single trajectories

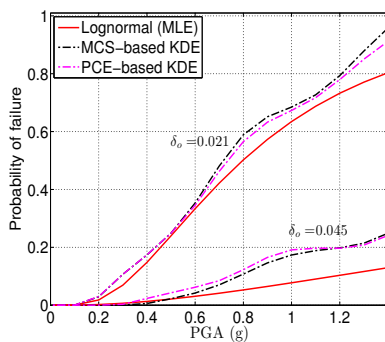
Frame structure – fragility curves

First-storey drift

- PC-NARX calibrated based on 300 simulations
- Reference results obtained from 10,000 Monte Carlo simulations



PDF of max. drift



Fragility curves for two drift thresholds

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 - Kriging equations
 - Use in structural reliability

Gaussian process modelling (a.k.a Kriging)

Santner, Williams & Notz (2003)

Kriging assumes that $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x})$ is a trajectory of an underlying Gaussian process

$$\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}) \approx \mathcal{M}^{(K)}(\mathbf{x}) = \beta^T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) + \sigma^2 Z(\mathbf{x}, \omega)$$

where:

- $\beta^T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$: trend
- $Z(\mathbf{x}, \omega)$: zero mean, unit variance Gaussian process with autocorrelation function, e.g. :

$$R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \exp\left(\sum_{k=1}^M -\left(\frac{x_k - x'_k}{\theta_k}\right)^2\right)$$

- σ^2 : variance



The Gaussian measure **artificially** introduced is different from the aleatory uncertainty on the model parameters \mathbf{X}

Kriging prediction

Unknown parameters

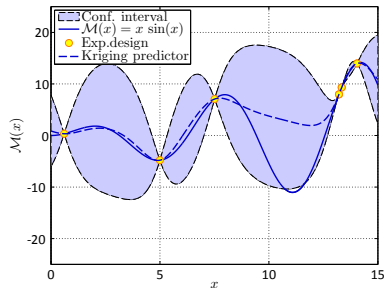
- Parameters $\{\theta, \beta, \sigma^2\}$ are estimated from the experimental design $\mathcal{Y} = \{y_i = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}_i), i = 1, \dots, n\}$ by **maximum likelihood estimation**, cross validation or Bayesian calibration

Mean predictor

$$\mu_{\hat{g}}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})^\top \hat{\beta} + \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x})^\top \mathbf{R}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{F} \hat{\beta})$$

where:

$$\begin{aligned} r_i(\mathbf{x}) &= R(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \theta) \\ \mathbf{R}_{ij} &= R(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mathbf{x}^{(j)}, \theta) \\ \mathbf{F}_{ij} &= f_j(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \end{aligned}$$



Kriging variance

$$\sigma_Y^2(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma_Y^2 \left(1 - \langle \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})^\top \quad \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x})^\top \rangle \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{F}^\top \\ \mathbf{F} & \mathbf{R} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}) \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

Structural reliability

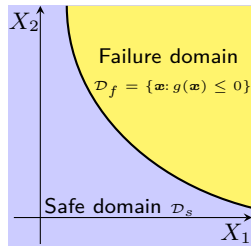
Problem statement

- A **limit state function** $g: \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{X}} \subset \mathbb{R}^M \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ that describes the **performance** of the system:

+ $g(\mathbf{x}) > 0$ means “safe configuration”

+ $g(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0$ means “failure”

e.g. Elastic behaviour is defined by: $g(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma_Y - \max_{\text{Structure}} \sigma_{VM}(\mathbf{x})$



- A probabilistic model (PDF) of the uncertainties: $\mathbf{X} \sim f_{\mathbf{X}}$

The **probability of failure** is defined by:

$$P_f = \mathbb{P}(g(\mathbf{X}) \leq 0) = \int_{\{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{X}}: g(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0\}} f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$

Use of Kriging for structural reliability analysis

- From a given experimental design $\mathcal{X} = \{\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}$, Kriging yields a **mean predictor** $\mu_{\hat{g}}(\mathbf{x})$ and the **Kriging variance** $\sigma_{\hat{g}}(\mathbf{x})$
- The mean predictor is **substituted** for the “true” limit state function, defining the **surrogate failure domain**

$$\mathcal{D}_f^0 = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{D}_X : \mu_{\hat{g}}(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0\}$$

- The probability of failure is approximated by:

Kaymaz, *Struc. Safety* (2005)

$$P_f^0 = \mathbb{P}[\mu_{\hat{g}}(\mathbf{X}) \leq 0] = \int_{\mathcal{D}_f^0} f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{D}_f^0}(\mathbf{X})]$$

- Monte Carlo simulation** can be used on the surrogate model:

$$\widehat{P}_f^0 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{D}_f^0}(\mathbf{x}_k)$$

Confidence bounds on the probability of failure

Shifted failure domains

Dubourg *et al.*, Struct. Mult. Opt. (2011)

- Let us define a **confidence level** $(1 - \alpha)$ and $k_{1-\alpha} = \Phi^{-1}(1 - \alpha/2)$, *i.e.* 1.96 if $1 - \alpha = 95\%$, and:

$$\mathcal{D}_f^- = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{D}_X : \mu_{\hat{g}}(\mathbf{x}) + k_{1-\alpha} \sigma_{\hat{g}}(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0\}$$

$$\mathcal{D}_f^+ = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{D}_X : \mu_{\hat{g}}(\mathbf{x}) - k_{1-\alpha} \sigma_{\hat{g}}(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0\}$$

- Interpretation ($1 - \alpha = 95\%$):
 - If $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{D}_f^0$ it belongs to the true failure domain with a 50% chance
 - If $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{D}_f^+$ it belongs to the true failure domain with 95% chance:
conservative estimation

Bounds on the probability of failure

$$\mathcal{D}_f^- \subset \mathcal{D}_f^0 \subset \mathcal{D}_f^+ \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad P_f^- \leq P_f^0 \leq P_f^+$$

Adaptive designs for reliability analysis

Premise

- When using high-fidelity computational models for assessing structural reliability, the goal is to **minimize** the number of runs
- **Adaptive experimental designs** allow one to start from a small ED and **enrich** it with new points in suitable regions (*i.e.* close to to the limit state surface)

Enrichment (infill) criterion

Bichon *et al.* , (2008, 2011); Echard *et al.* (2011); Bect *et al.* (2012), Balesdent *et al.* (2013), Morio & Balesdent (2015-16)

The following **learning function** is used:

$$LF(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{|\mu_{\hat{g}}(\mathbf{x})|}{\sigma_{\hat{g}}(\mathbf{x})}$$

- Small if $\mu_{\hat{g}}(\mathbf{x}) \approx 0$ (\mathbf{x} close to the limit state surface) and/or $\sigma_{\hat{g}}(\mathbf{x}) \gg 0$ (poor local accuracy)
- The **probability of misclassification** is $\Phi(-LF(\mathbf{x}))$
- At each iteration, the new point is: $\chi^* = \arg \min LF(\mathbf{x})$

Adaptive Kriging for reliability analysis

Algorithm 2: Adaptive Kriging for reliability analysis

- 1: **Initialization**
 - 2: Initial experimental design $\mathcal{ED} = \{\boldsymbol{\chi}^{(1)}, \dots, \boldsymbol{\chi}^{(n)}\}$
 - 3: Monte Carlo sample $\mathcal{X} = \{\boldsymbol{x}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{x}_n\}$
 - 4: **while** *NotConverged* **do**
 - 5: Train a Kriging model $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}$ on the current experimental design
 - 6: Compute the probability of failure \hat{P}_f^0 , and its bounds $[\hat{P}_f^-, \hat{P}_f^+]$ using $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}$
 - 7: **if** $(\hat{P}_f^+ - \hat{P}_f^-) / \hat{P}_f^0 \leq TOL$ **then**
 - 8: NotConverged = FALSE
 - 9: **else**
 - 10: Evaluate the learning function LF on \mathcal{X}
 - 11: Compute the next ED point: $\boldsymbol{\chi}^* = \arg \min_{\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathcal{X}} LF(\boldsymbol{x})$
 - 12: Update the experimental design: $\mathcal{ED} \leftarrow \mathcal{ED} \cup \{\boldsymbol{\chi}^*\}$
 - 13: **end**
 - 14: **end**
 - 15: **Return** Probability of failure \hat{P}_f^0 and confidence interval $[\hat{P}_f^-, \hat{P}_f^+]$
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Series system

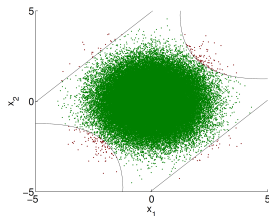
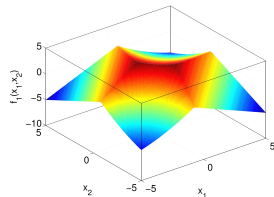
Consider the system reliability analysis defined by:

$$g(\mathbf{x}) = \min \left(\begin{array}{c} 3 + 0.1(x_1 - x_2)^2 - \frac{x_1 + x_2}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 3 + 0.1(x_1 - x_2)^2 + \frac{x_1 + x_2}{\sqrt{2}} \\ (x_1 - x_2) + \frac{6}{\sqrt{2}} \\ (x_2 - x_1) + \frac{6}{\sqrt{2}} \end{array} \right)$$

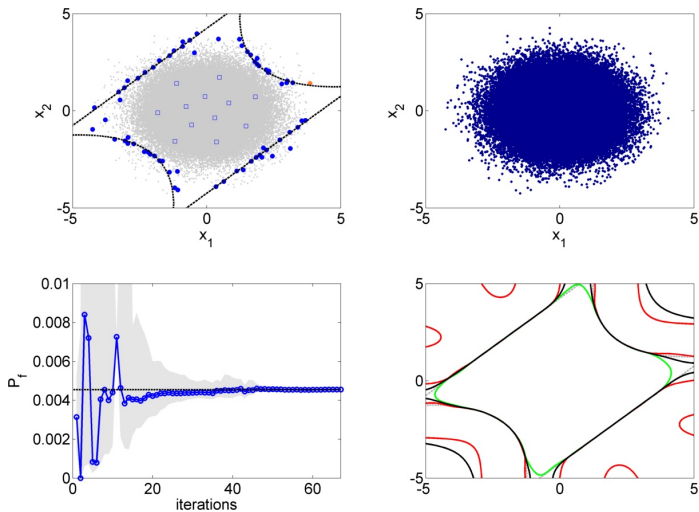
where $X_1, X_2 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$

- Initial design: LHS of size 12 (transformed into the standard normal space)
- In each iteration, **one point is added** (maximize the probability of missclassification)

Schöbi, Sudret & Marelli, ASCE J. Risk Unc. (2016)



Results with PC Kriging



Conclusions

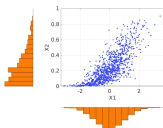
- **Surrogate models** are unavoidable for solving uncertainty quantification problems involving costly computational models (e.g. finite element models)
- Depending on the analysis, specific surrogates are most suitable: **polynomial chaos expansions** for distribution- and sensitivity analysis, **Kriging** (and low-rank tensor approximations) for reliability analysis
- Kriging and PC-Kriging are suitable for adaptive algorithms (enrichment of the experimental design)
- All these techniques are **non-intrusive**: they rely on experimental designs, the size of which is a user's choice
- They are **versatile, general-purpose** and **field-independent**
- All the presented algorithms are available in the general-purpose **uncertainty quantification software UQLab**

UQLab: The Uncertainty Quantification Software

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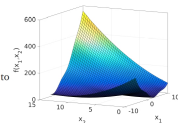
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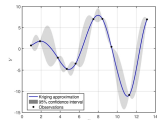
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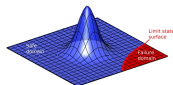
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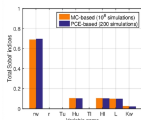
RELIABILITY ANALYSIS (RARE EVENT ESTIMATION)

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- Monte Carlo Simulation (MCS)
- Importance Sampling
- Subset Simulation
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- Standard Regression Coefficients
- Cotter measure
- Morris indices
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- PCE- and LRA-based Sobol' indices
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- Support for dependent inputs



BAYESIAN INVERSION

- Intuitive problem statement
- Advanced MCMC algorithms
- Multi-model support (joint inversion)
- Support for custom likelihood



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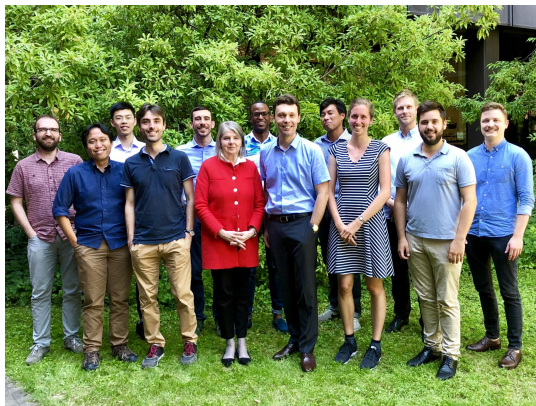
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- V1.0 on April 28th, 2017
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