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### Outline:

1. Setting: integration by (randomly-shifted) lattice rules.
2. Want a tool to search for good lattices adapted to problem at hand, for arbitrary dimension, size, figure of merit, ...
3. Selection criteria, construction methods, weights on projections, ...
4. Introducing **Lattice Builder**.

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**Variance:**  $\text{Var}[\hat{\mu}_n] = \sigma^2/n$  where  $\sigma^2 = \int_{[0,1]^s} f^2(\mathbf{u}) d\mathbf{u} - \mu$ .

**Central limit theorem:**  $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\mu}_n - \mu)/\sigma \Rightarrow N(0, 1)$  when  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

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**Main construction methods:** **lattice rules** and **digital nets**

(Korobov, Hammersley, Halton, Sobol', Faure, Niederreiter, etc.)

# Randomized quasi-Monte Carlo (RQMC) estimator

$$\hat{\mu}_{n,\text{rqmc}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} f(\mathbf{U}_i),$$

with  $P_n = \{\mathbf{U}_0, \dots, \mathbf{U}_{n-1}\} \subset (0, 1)^s$  an RQMC point set:

- (i) each point  $\mathbf{U}_i$  has the uniform distribution over  $(0, 1)^s$ ;
- (ii)  $P_n$  as a whole is a low-discrepancy point set.

$$\mathbb{E}[\hat{\mu}_{n,\text{rqmc}}] = \mu \quad (\text{unbiased}).$$

$$\text{Var}[\hat{\mu}_{n,\text{rqmc}}] = \frac{\text{Var}[f(\mathbf{U}_i)]}{n} + \frac{2}{n^2} \sum_{i < j} \text{Cov}[f(\mathbf{U}_i), f(\mathbf{U}_j)].$$

We want to make the last sum as negative as possible.

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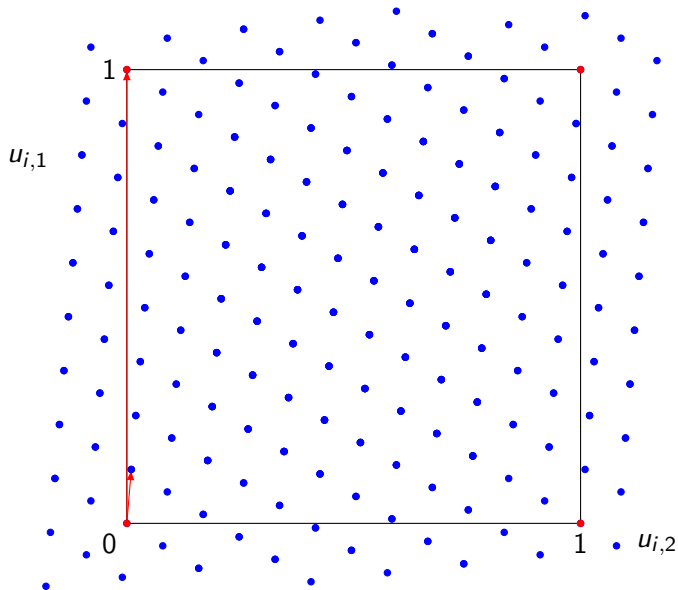
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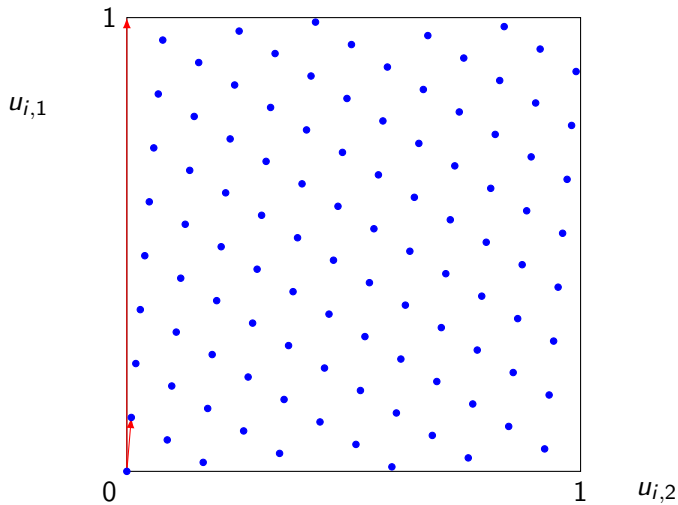
**Random shift modulo 1:** generate a single point  $\mathbf{U}$  uniformly over  $(0, 1)^s$  and add it to each point of  $P_n$ , modulo 1, coordinate-wise:

$\mathbf{U}_i = (\mathbf{u}_i + \mathbf{U}) \bmod 1$ . Each  $\mathbf{U}_i$  is uniformly distributed over  $[0, 1)^s$ .

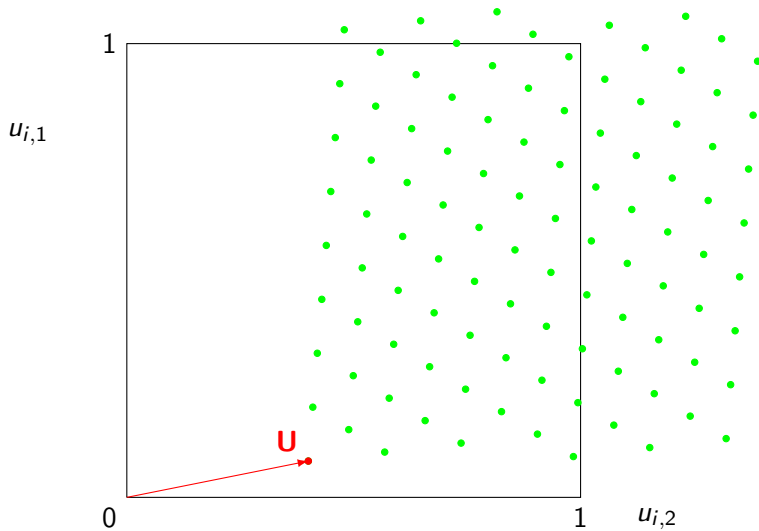
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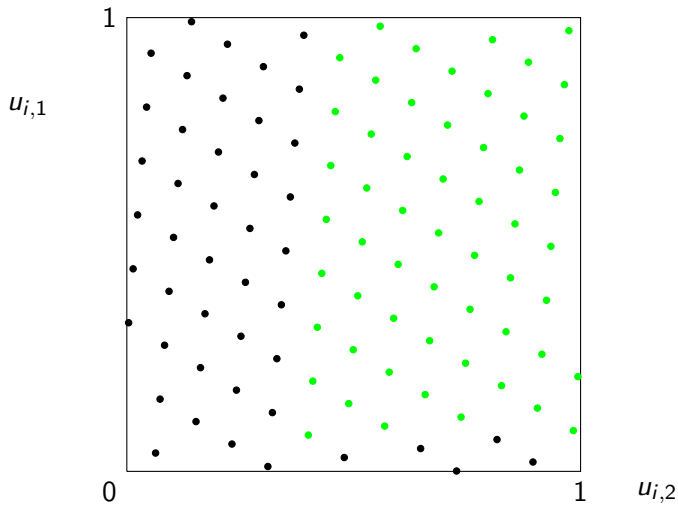
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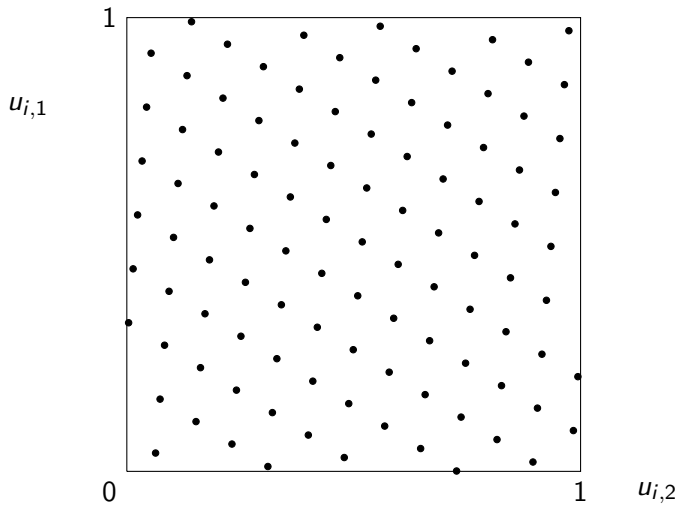
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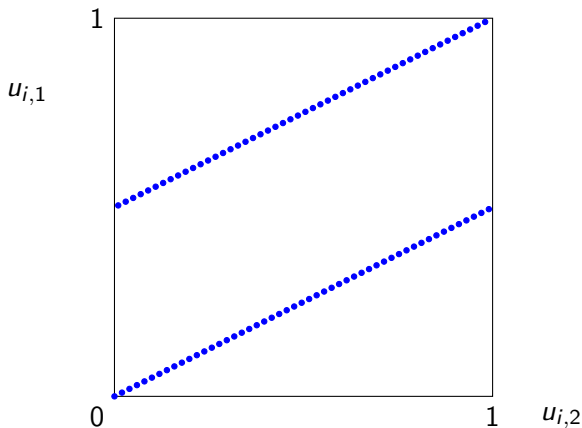


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## Example of a poor lattice: $s = 2$ , $n = 101$ , $a = 51$



Good uniformity in one dimension, but not in two!

## Variance expression

Suppose  $f$  has Fourier expansion

$$f(\mathbf{u}) = \sum_{\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{Z}^s} \hat{f}(\mathbf{h}) e^{2\pi\sqrt{-1}\mathbf{h}^t\mathbf{u}}.$$

For a **randomly shifted lattice**, the exact variance is

$$\text{Var}[\hat{\mu}_{n,\text{rqmc}}] = \sum_{\mathbf{0} \neq \mathbf{h} \in L_s^*} |\hat{f}(\mathbf{h})|^2,$$

where  $L_s^* = \{\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{R}^s : \mathbf{h}^t\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ for all } \mathbf{v} \in L_s\} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^s$  is the dual lattice.

From the viewpoint of variance reduction, an **optimal lattice for  $f$**  minimizes  $D_f^2(P_n) = \text{Var}[\hat{\mu}_{n,\text{rqmc}}]$ .

But not a practical criterion...

## Periodic smooth functions

If  $f$  has square-integrable mixed partial derivatives up to order  $\alpha/2$ , and the periodic continuations of its derivatives up to order  $\alpha/2 - 1$  are **continuous** across the unit cube boundaries, then

$$|\hat{f}(\mathbf{h})|^2 = \mathcal{O}((\max(1, |h_1|) \cdots \max(1, |h_s|))^{-\alpha}).$$

Moreover, there is a vector  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{v}_1(n)$  such that

$$\mathcal{P}_\alpha \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{\mathbf{0} \neq \mathbf{h} \in L_s^*} (\max(1, |h_1|) \cdots \max(1, |h_s|))^{-\alpha} = \mathcal{O}(n^{-\alpha+\delta}).$$

This  $\mathcal{P}_\alpha$  has been proposed long ago as a figure of merit, often with  $\alpha = 2$ . It is the variance for a **worst-case**  $f$  having

$$|\hat{f}(\mathbf{h})|^2 = (\max(1, |h_1|) \cdots \max(1, |h_s|))^{-\alpha}.$$

If  $\alpha/2$  is a positive integer, this worst-case  $f$  is

$$f(\mathbf{u}) = \sum_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{1, \dots, s\}} \prod_{j \in \mathbf{u}} \frac{(2\pi)^{\alpha/2}}{(\alpha/2)!} B_{\alpha/2}(u_j).$$

where  $B_{\alpha/2}$  is the Bernoulli polynomial of degree  $\alpha/2$ .

This worst-case function is not necessarily representative of what happens in applications.

Moreover, the hidden factor in  $\mathcal{O}$  increases quickly with  $s$ , so this result is not very useful for large  $s$ .

To get a bound that is uniform in  $s$ , the Fourier coefficients must decrease faster with the dimension and “size” of vectors  $\mathbf{h}$ ; that is,  $f$  must be “smoother” in high-dimensional projections. This is typically what happens in applications where RQMC is really effective!

[cf., tractability theory; Wóznickowski, Novak, Sloan, Dick, etc.]

## A very general weighted $\mathcal{P}_\alpha$

$\mathcal{P}_\alpha$  can be generalized by giving different weights  $w(\mathbf{h})$  to the vectors  $\mathbf{h}$ :

$$\tilde{\mathcal{P}}_\alpha \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{\mathbf{0} \neq \mathbf{h} \in L_s^*} w(\mathbf{h}) (\max(1, |h_1|) \cdots \max(1, |h_s|))^{-\alpha}.$$

But how do we choose these weights? There are too many!

The **optimal weights** to minimize the variance are:

$$w(\mathbf{h}) = (\max(1, |h_1|) \cdots \max(1, |h_s|))^\alpha |\hat{f}(\mathbf{h})|^2.$$

## ANOVA decomposition

A cruder expansion of  $f(\mathbf{u}) = f(u_1, \dots, u_s)$ :

$$f(\mathbf{u}) = \sum_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{1, \dots, s\}} f_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}) = \mu + \sum_{i=1}^s f_{\{i\}}(u_i) + \sum_{i,j=1}^s f_{\{i,j\}}(u_i, u_j) + \dots$$

where

$$f_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}) = \int_{[0,1]^{|\bar{\mathbf{u}}|}} f(\mathbf{u}) d\mathbf{u}_{\bar{\mathbf{u}}} - \sum_{\mathbf{v} \subset \mathbf{u}} f_{\mathbf{v}}(\mathbf{u}_{\mathbf{v}}).$$

The Monte Carlo variance decomposes as

$$\sigma^2 = \sum_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{1, \dots, s\}} \sigma_{\mathbf{u}}^2, \quad \text{where } \sigma_{\mathbf{u}}^2 = \text{Var}[f_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{U})].$$

The  $\sigma_{\mathbf{u}}^2$ 's can be estimated by MC or RQMC.

Heuristic intuition: Make sure the projections  $P_n(\mathbf{u})$  are very uniform for the important subsets  $\mathbf{u}$  (i.e., with larger  $\sigma_{\mathbf{u}}^2$ ).

## Weighted $\mathcal{P}_{\gamma,\alpha}$ with projection-dependent weights $\gamma_{\mathbf{u}}$

Denote  $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{h}) = \mathbf{u}(h_1, \dots, h_s)$  the set of indices  $j$  for which  $h_j \neq 0$ .

$$\mathcal{P}_{\gamma,\alpha} = \sum_{\mathbf{0} \neq \mathbf{h} \in L_s^*} \gamma_{\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{h})} (\max(1, |h_1|) \cdots \max(1, |h_s|))^{-\alpha}.$$

For  $\alpha/2$  integer  $> 0$ , if  $\mathbf{u}_i = (u_{i,1}, \dots, u_{i,s}) = i\mathbf{v}_1 \bmod 1$ ,

$$\mathcal{P}_{\gamma,\alpha} = \sum_{\emptyset \neq \mathbf{u} \subseteq \{1, \dots, s\}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \gamma_{\mathbf{u}} \left[ \frac{-(-4\pi^2)^{\alpha/2}}{(\alpha)!} \right]^{|\mathbf{u}|} \prod_{j \in \mathbf{u}} B_{\alpha}(u_{i,j})$$

(finite sum) and the corresponding variation is

$$V_{\gamma}^2(f) = \sum_{\emptyset \neq \mathbf{u} \subseteq \{1, \dots, s\}} \frac{1}{\gamma_{\mathbf{u}} (4\pi^2)^{\alpha|\mathbf{u}|/2}} \int_{[0,1]^{|\mathbf{u}|}} \left| \frac{\partial^{\alpha|\mathbf{u}|/2}}{\partial \mathbf{u}^{\alpha/2}} f_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}) \right|^2 d\mathbf{u},$$

for  $f : [0, 1]^s \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  smooth enough. Then,

$$\text{Var}[\hat{\mu}_{n,\text{rqmc}}] = \sum_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{1, \dots, s\}} \text{Var}[\hat{\mu}_{n,\text{rqmc}}(f_{\mathbf{u}})] \leq V_{\gamma}^2(f) \mathcal{P}_{\gamma,\alpha}.$$

This  $\mathcal{P}_{\gamma,\alpha}$  is the RQMC variance for the worst-case function

$$f^*(\mathbf{u}) = \sum_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{1, \dots, s\}} \sqrt{\gamma_{\mathbf{u}}} \prod_{j \in \mathbf{u}} \frac{(2\pi)^{\alpha/2}}{(\alpha/2)!} B_{\alpha/2}(u_j),$$

whose square Fourier coefficients are

$$|\hat{f}^*(\mathbf{h})|^2 = \gamma_{\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{h})} (\max(1, |h_1|) \cdots \max(1, |h_s|))^{-\alpha}.$$

For this function, we have

$$\sigma_{\mathbf{u}}^2 = \gamma_{\mathbf{u}} \left[ \text{Var}[B_{\alpha/2}(U)] \frac{(4\pi^2)^{\alpha/2}}{((\alpha/2)!)^2} \right]^{|\mathbf{u}|} = \gamma_{\mathbf{u}} \left[ |B_{\alpha}(0)| \frac{(4\pi^2)^{\alpha/2}}{(\alpha)!} \right]^{|\mathbf{u}|}.$$

For  $\alpha = 2$ , this gives  $\gamma_{\mathbf{u}} = (3/\pi^2)^{|\mathbf{u}|} \sigma_{\mathbf{u}}^2 \approx (0.30396)^{|\mathbf{u}|} \sigma_{\mathbf{u}}^2$ .

For  $\alpha = 4$ , this gives  $\gamma_{\mathbf{u}} = [45/\pi^4]^{|\mathbf{u}|} \sigma_{\mathbf{u}}^2 \approx (0.46197)^{|\mathbf{u}|} \sigma_{\mathbf{u}}^2$ .

For  $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ , we have  $\gamma_{\mathbf{u}} \rightarrow (0.5)^{|\mathbf{u}|} \sigma_{\mathbf{u}}^2$ .

Note: The correct weights are **not** proportional to the variances  $\sigma_{\mathbf{u}}^2$ .



## Heuristics for choosing the weights

For  $f^*$ , we should take  $\gamma_u = \rho^{|\mathbf{u}|} \sigma_u^2$  for some constant  $\rho$ .

But there are still  $2^s - 1$  subsets  $\mathbf{u}$  to consider!

One could define a simple parametric model for the square variations and then estimate the parameters by matching the ANOVA variances  $\sigma_u^2$  (e.g., Wang and Sloan 2006, L. and Munger 2012).

For example, **product weights**:  $\gamma_u = \prod_{j \in \mathbf{u}} \gamma_j$  for some constants  $\gamma_j \geq 0$ .

**Order-dependent weights**:  $\gamma_u$  depends only on  $|\mathbf{u}|$ .

Example:  $\gamma_u = 1$  for  $|\mathbf{u}| \leq d$  and  $\gamma_u = 0$  otherwise.

Wang (2007) suggests this with  $d = 2$ .

Mixture: **POD weights** (Kuo et al. 2011).

Note that all **one-dimensional projections** (before random shift) are the same. So the weights  $\gamma_u$  for  $|\mathbf{u}| = 1$  are irrelevant.

## Weighted $\mathcal{R}_{\gamma, \alpha}$

Take

$$\mathcal{D}_u^2(P_n) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \prod_{j \in u} \left( \sum_{h=-\lfloor (n-1)/2 \rfloor}^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} \max(1, |h|)^{-\alpha} e^{2\pi i h u_{i,j}} - 1 \right).$$

Upper bounds on  $\mathcal{P}_\alpha$  can be computed in terms of  $\mathcal{R}_\alpha$ .

Can be computed for any  $\alpha > 0$  (finite sum).

We compute it using FFT.

## Figure of merit based on the spectral test

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L. and Lemieux (2000), etc., [maximize](#)

$$M_{t_1, \dots, t_d} = \min \left[ \min_{2 \leq r \leq t_1} \frac{\ell_{\{1, \dots, r\}}(P_n)}{\ell_r^*(n)}, \min_{2 \leq r \leq d} \min_{\substack{u = \{j_1, \dots, j_r\} \subset \{1, \dots, s\} \\ 1 = j_1 < \dots < j_r \leq t_r}} \frac{\ell_u(P_n)}{\ell_r^*(n)} \right].$$

Computing time of  $\ell_u(P_n)$  is almost independent of  $n$ , but exponential in  $|u|$ . Poor lattices can be eliminated quickly.

Can use a different norm, compute shortest vector in [primal](#) lattice, etc.

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Can add **filters** to eliminate poor lattices more quickly.



## Embedded lattices

$P_{n_1} \subset P_{n_2} \subset \dots \subset P_{n_m}$  with  $n_1 < n_2 < \dots < n_m$ , for some  $m > 0$ .

Usually:  $n_k = b^{c+k}$  for integers  $c \geq 0$  and  $b \geq 2$ , typically with  $b = 2$ ,  
 $\mathbf{a}_k = \mathbf{a}_{k+1} \bmod n_k$  for all  $k < m$ , and the same random shift.

We need a measure that accounts for the quality of all  $m$  lattices.

We **standardize** the merit at all levels  $k$  so they have a comparable scale:

$$\mathcal{E}_q(P_n) = \mathcal{D}_q(P_n) / D_q^*(n),$$

where  $D_q^*(n)$  is a normalization factor, e.g., a bound on  $\mathcal{D}_q(P_n)$  or a bound on its average over all  $(a_1, \dots, a_s)$  under consideration.

For  $\mathcal{P}_{\gamma, \alpha}$ , bounds by Sinescu and L. (2012) and Dick et al. (2008).

For CBC, we do this for each coordinate  $j = 1, \dots, s$  (replace  $s$  by  $j$ ).

Also used as **filters**.

Then we can take as a global measure (with sum or max):

$$[\bar{\mathcal{E}}_{q,m}(P_{n_1}, \dots, P_{n_m})]^q = \sum_{k=1}^m w_k [\mathcal{E}_q(P_{n_k})]^q.$$

## Existing tools

**Construction:** Nuyens (2012) provides Matlab code for fast-CBC construction of lattice rules based on  $\mathcal{P}_{\gamma,\alpha}$ , with product and order-dependent weights.

Precomputed tables for fixed criteria: Maisonneuve (1972), Sloan and Joe (1994), L. and Lemieux (2000), Kuo (2012), etc.

Software for **using (randomized) lattice rules** in simulations is also available in many places (e.g., in SSJ).

## Lattice Builder

Implemented as [C++ library](#), modular object-oriented design, accessible from a program via API.

Various choices of figures of merit, arbitrary weights, construction methods, etc. Easily extensible.

For better run-time efficiency, uses static polymorphism, via templates, rather than dynamic polymorphism.

Several other techniques to reduce computations and improve speed.

Offers a pre-compiled program with Unix-like command line interface. Also graphical interface.

Available for download on GitHub, with source code, documentation, and precompiled executable codes for Linux or Windows, in 32-bit and 64-bit versions.

**Show graphical interface**

# Examples of applications

## Example: Playing with the Weights

To see the effect of weights selection on RQMC variance, when choosing a lattice rule, we shall integrate the worst-case function

$$f_{\alpha}^*(\mathbf{u}) = \sum_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{1, \dots, s\}} \sqrt{v_{\mathbf{u}}} \prod_{j \in \mathbf{u}} \frac{(2\pi)^{\alpha/2}}{(\alpha/2)!} B_{\alpha/2}(u_j),$$

whose RQMC variance is  $\mathcal{P}_{\gamma, \alpha}$ .

The **ideal weights** are  $\gamma_{\mathbf{u}} = v_{\mathbf{u}}$ . In our experiments, we measure the inflation factor of RQMC variance when we use a lattice rule constructed via fast CBC with different weights  $\gamma_{\mathbf{u}} \neq v_{\mathbf{u}}$ .

We start with  $s = 10$  and  $v_{\mathbf{u}} = \Gamma^{|\mathbf{u}|}$  for  $|\mathbf{u}| \leq k$ , for a given integer  $k$  and a given constant  $\Gamma > 0$ . We select the weights as  $\gamma_{\mathbf{u}} = \tilde{\Gamma}^{|\mathbf{u}|}$  for  $|\mathbf{u}| \leq \tilde{k}$ , where  $\tilde{\Gamma}$  and  $\tilde{k}$  may differ from  $\Gamma$  and  $k$ .

## Ratio of RQMC variances for modified vs ideal weights

$n$	A1	A2	B1	B2	C1	C2
$2^8$	1.11	1.21	1.13	4.08	3.82	6.80
$2^9$	1.21	1.10	1.42	10.5	2.93	7.25
$2^{10}$	1.36	1.38	2.04	4.64	2.86	5.94
$2^{11}$	1.24	1.43	2.40	6.18	2.15	5.14
$2^{12}$	1.42	1.66	3.79	13.2	2.47	5.94
$2^{13}$	1.30	2.38	5.51	9.09	2.66	5.97
$2^{14}$	1.51	2.54	<b>30.5</b>	8.66	<b>9.11</b>	<b>29.1</b>
$2^{15}$	1.46	1.93	25.6	<b>13.3</b>	3.52	9.71
$2^{16}$	<b>1.80</b>	<b>2.55</b>	3.13	12.9	2.73	10.2

**A1:**  $k = \tilde{k} = s = 10$ ,  $\Gamma^2 = 0.1$  and  $\tilde{\Gamma}^2 = 0.001$ . Not too bad.

**A2:**  $k = \tilde{k} = s = 10$ ,  $\Gamma^2 = 0.001$  and  $\tilde{\Gamma}^2 = 0.1$ . More impact.

**B1:**  $\Gamma^2 = \tilde{\Gamma}^2 = 0.1$ ,  $k = 4$  and  $\tilde{k} = 2$ . Criterion is blind on projections of order 3 and 4. This has unpredictable (sometimes dramatic) impact on RQMC variance.

**B2:**  $\Gamma^2 = \tilde{\Gamma}^2 = 0.5$ ,  $k = 2$  and  $\tilde{k} = 4$ . Gives weight to irrelevant projections. Stronger degradation on average.

**C1:**  $\Gamma^2 = \tilde{\Gamma}^2 = 0.1$  and  $k = \tilde{k} = 4$ , but increase the variation of  $f$  by replacing  $v_u^2$  with  $v_u^2 + \tilde{v}_u^2$ , with

$\tilde{v}_u^2 = 1.0$  for  $u = \{1, 3\}, \{3, 5\}, \{5, 7\}, \{7, 9\}$ ,

$\tilde{v}_u^2 = 0.5$  for  $u = \{2, 3, 4\}, \{4, 5, 6\}, \{6, 7, 8\}, \{8, 9, 10\}$ ,

$\tilde{v}_u^2 = 0.25$  for  $u = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, \{4, 5, 6, 7\}, \{7, 8, 9, 10\}$ ,

and  $\tilde{v}_u = 0$  for all other  $u$ .

Important projections are not given enough weight relative to others.

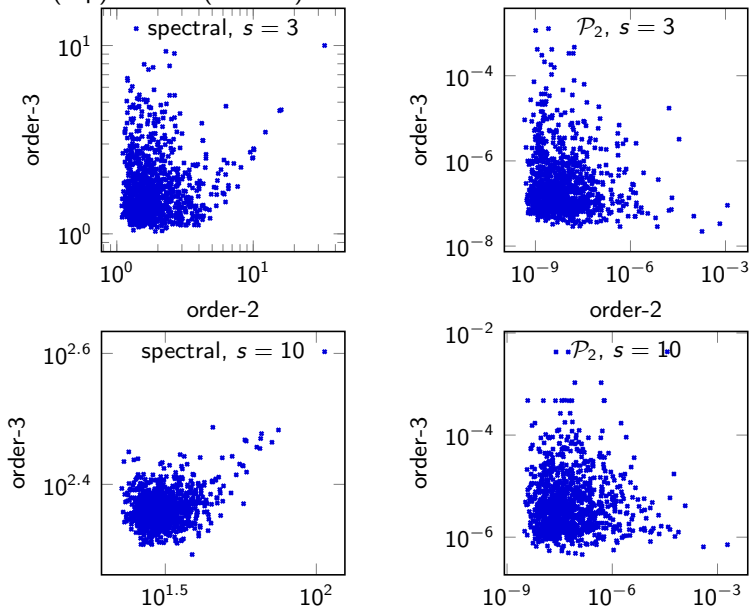
**C2:** Like C1, but  $v_u^2$  is replaced with only  $\tilde{v}_u^2$ , as defined above. Many irrelevant projections  $u$ , with  $\tilde{v}_u = 0$ , now have weights  $\gamma_u > 0$ .

In all cases, the variance ratio increases (non-monotonically) with  $n$ .



## Competing Projections for spectral and $\mathcal{P}_2$ criteria

Plots of order 2 vs order 3 contributions, for 1000 random lattices with  $n = 2^{20}$ , with  $s = 3$  (top) and 10 (bottom).

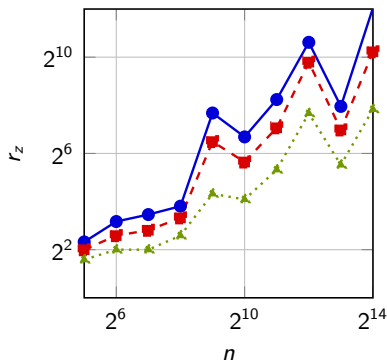
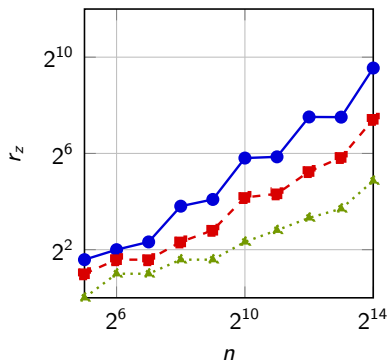


## Construction via CBC vs random CBC

$\mathcal{P}_{\gamma,2}$  for product weights,  $\gamma_j^2 = 0.1$ ,  $s = 10$  (left) and  $s = 5$  (right).

$$r_z = \min\{r : \mathbb{E}_{\text{random CBC}}[\mathcal{P}_{\gamma,2}] \leq (1 + z/100) \mathcal{P}_{\gamma,2}(\text{CBC})\}.$$

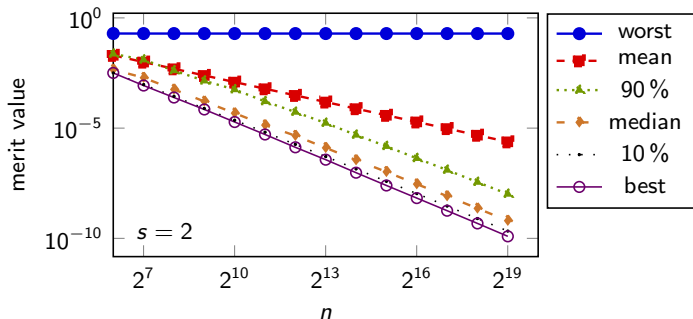
$r_z$  as a function of  $n$  for  $z = 5$  (—●—),  $z = 10$  (-■-) and  $z = 20$  (⋯▲⋯).



## Quantiles of figure of merit

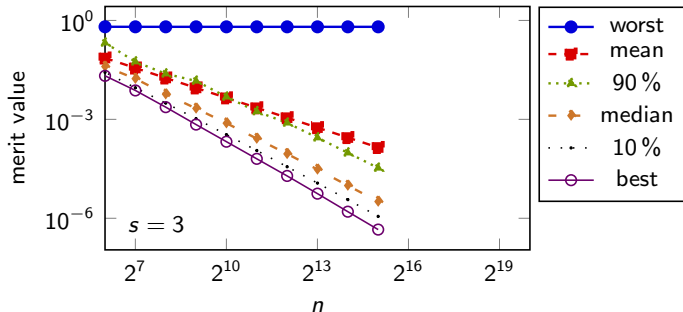
We computed  $\mathcal{P}_{\gamma,2}$  with product weights with  $\gamma_j^2 = 0.3$  for all  $j$ , for all admissible vectors  $\mathbf{a} \in \{1\} \times U_n^{s-1}$ , for  $n = 2^e, \dots, 2^{19}$ .

For  $s = 2$ , a linear regression of  $\log \mathcal{P}_{\gamma,2}$  vs  $\log n$  for  $2^{12} \leq n \leq 2^{19}$  gives decreasing rates of  $n^{-1.92}$  for the best, and  $n^{-1.87}$  and  $n^{-1.77}$  for the 10% and 90% quantiles. The mean decreases as  $n^{-1}$  in the worst-case as  $n^0$  (it is near 0.1948 for all  $n$ , obtained with  $\mathbf{a} = (1, 1)$ ).

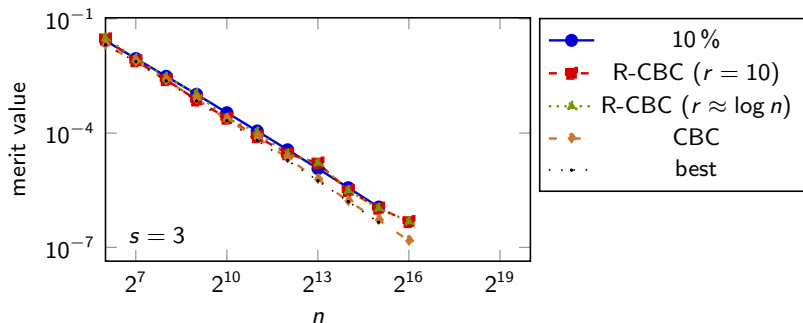
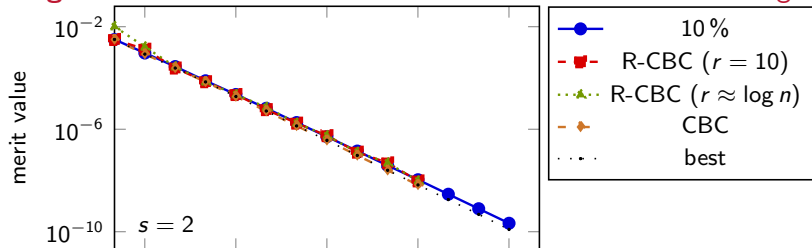


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## Convergence of CBC and random CBC with $r = 10$ and $r \approx \log n$

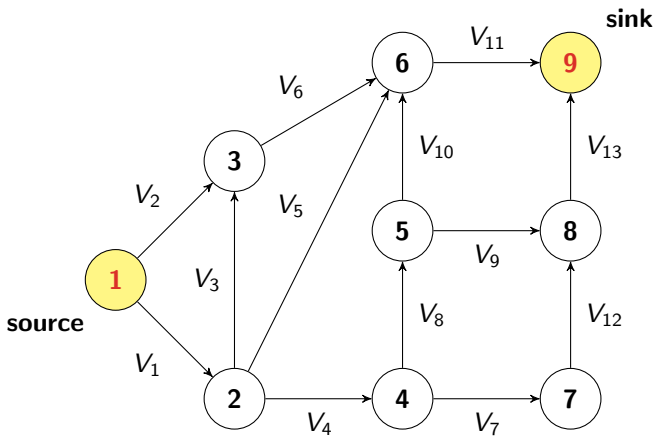


## Example: a stochastic activity network

Each arc  $j$  has random length  $V_j = F_j^{-1}(U_j)$ .

Let  $T = f(U_1, \dots, U_{13}) =$  length of longest path from node 1 to node 9.

Want to estimate  $q(x) = \mathbb{P}[T > x]$  for a given constant  $x$ .



To estimate  $q(x)$  by **MC**, we generate  $n$  independent realizations of  $T$ , say  $T_1, \dots, T_n$ , and  $(1/n) \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{I}[T_i > x]$ .

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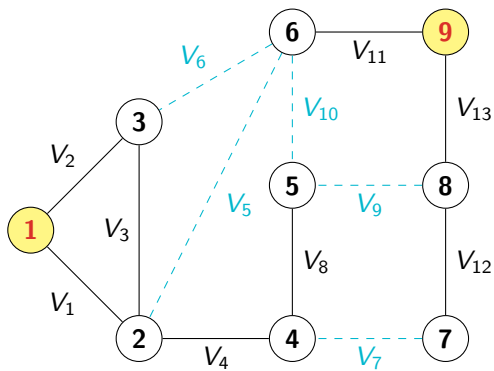
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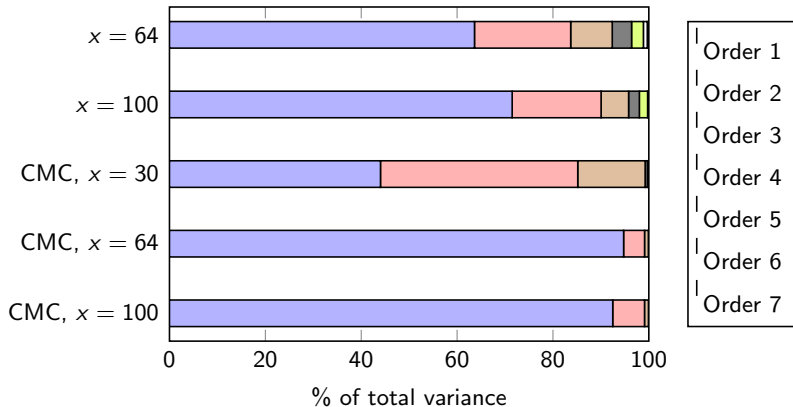
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**Illustration:**  $V_j \sim \text{Normal}(\mu_j, \sigma_j^2)$  for  $j = 1, 2, 4, 11, 12$ , and  $V_j \sim \text{Exponential}(1/\mu_j)$  otherwise.

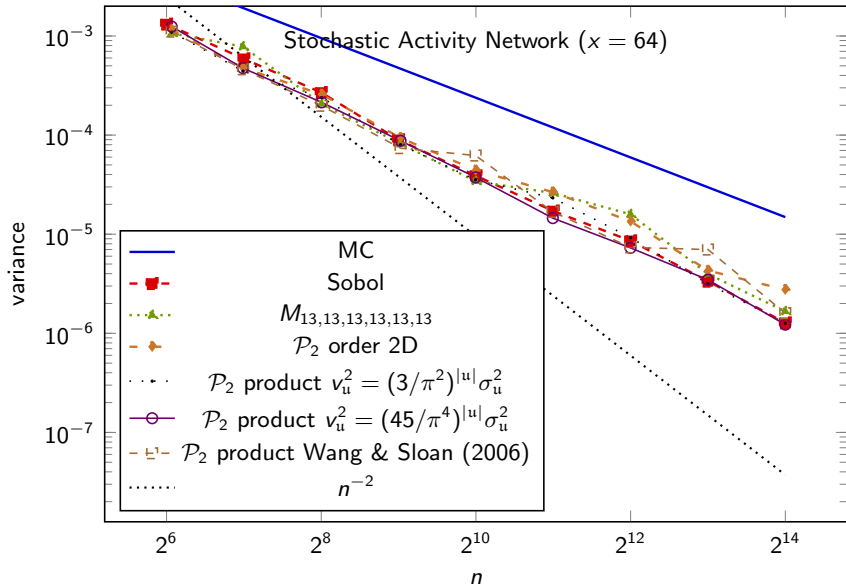
The  $\mu_j$ : 13.0, 5.5, 7.0, 5.2, 16.5, 14.7, 10.3, 6.0, 4.0, 20.0, 3.2, 3.2, 16.5.



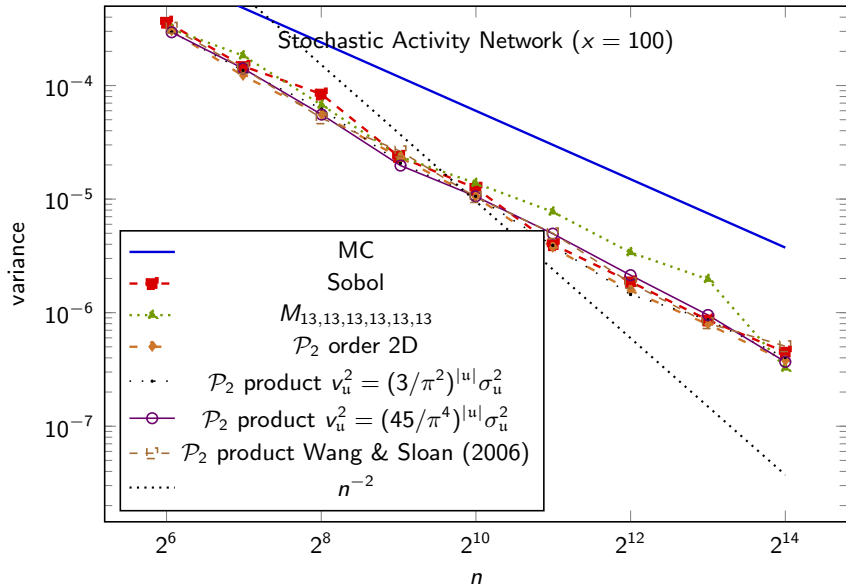
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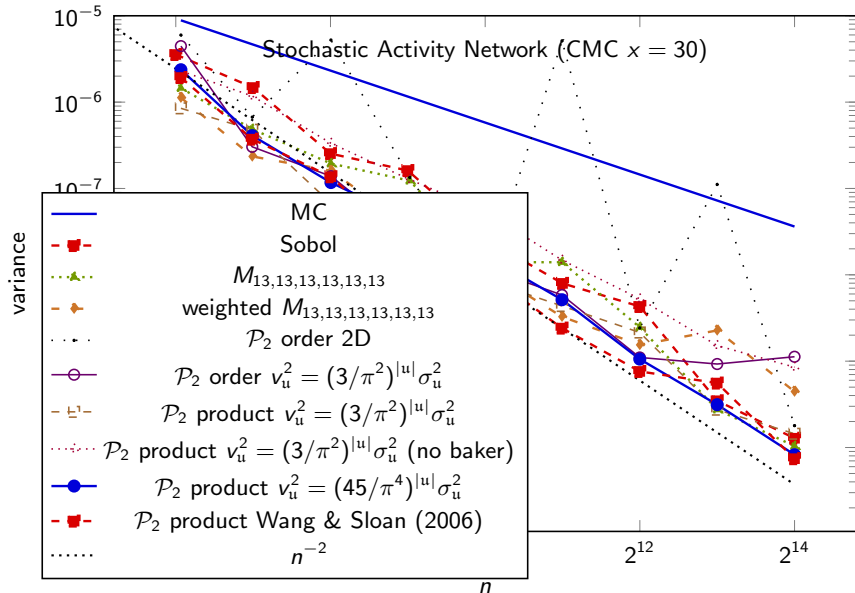
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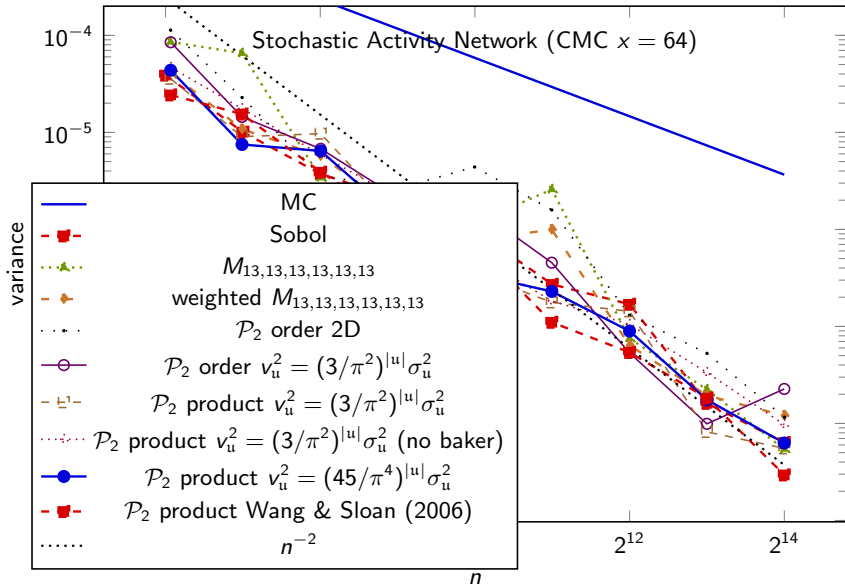
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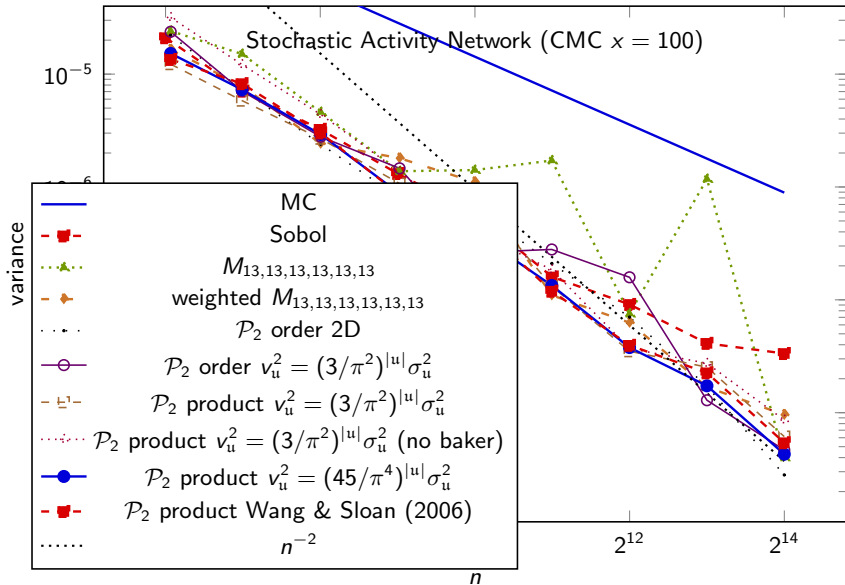
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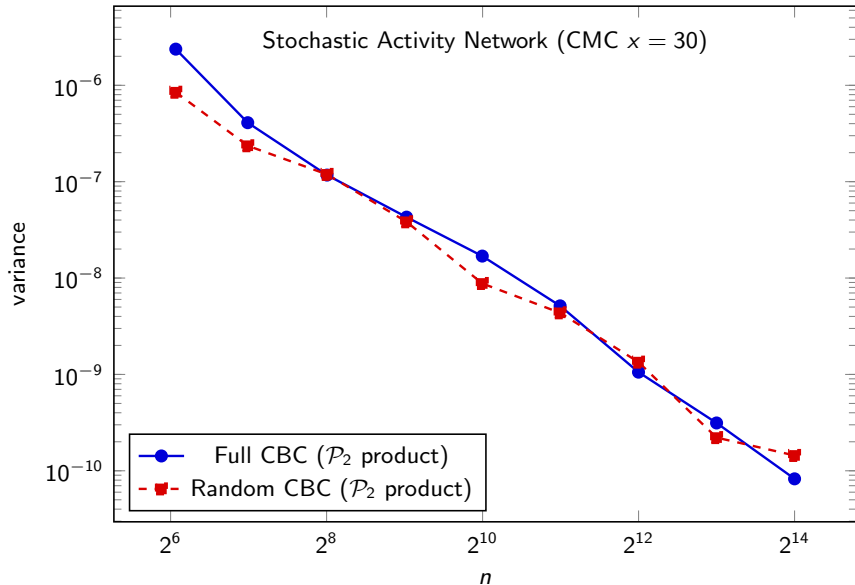


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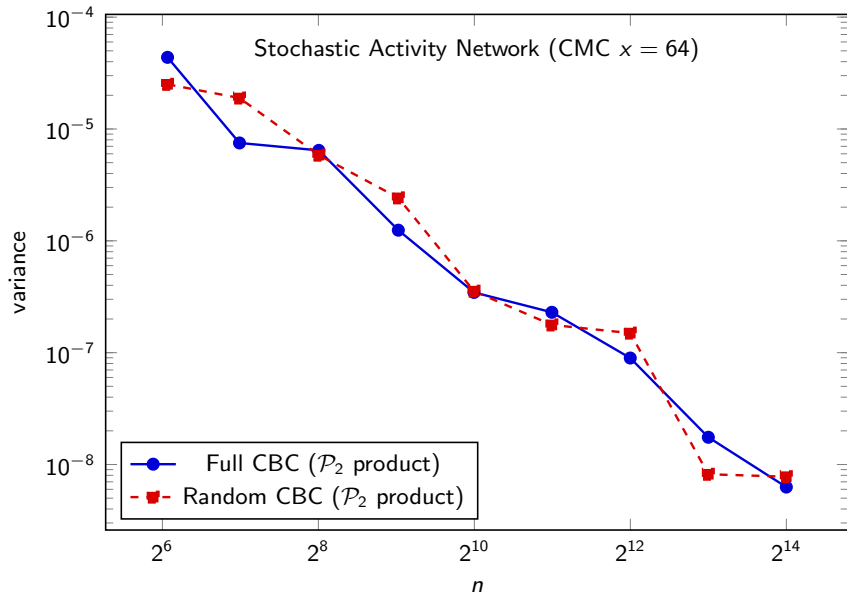




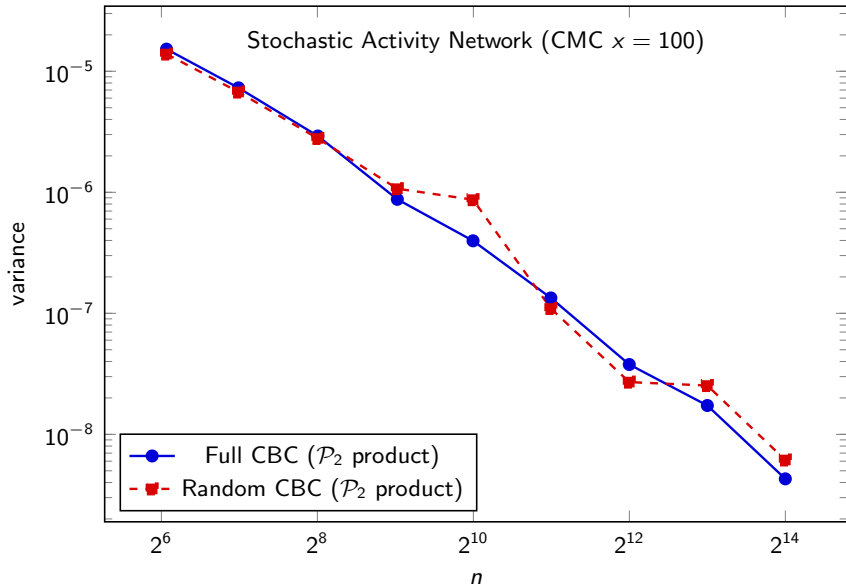
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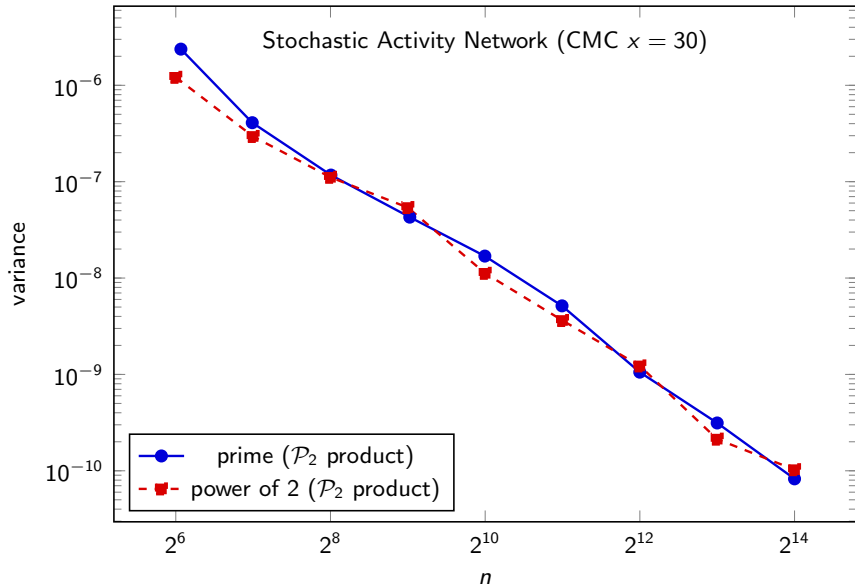
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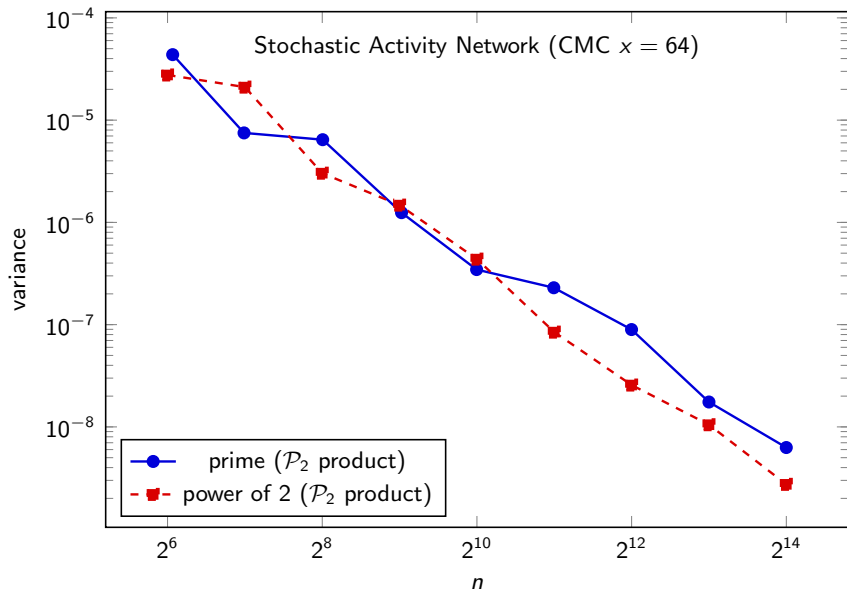
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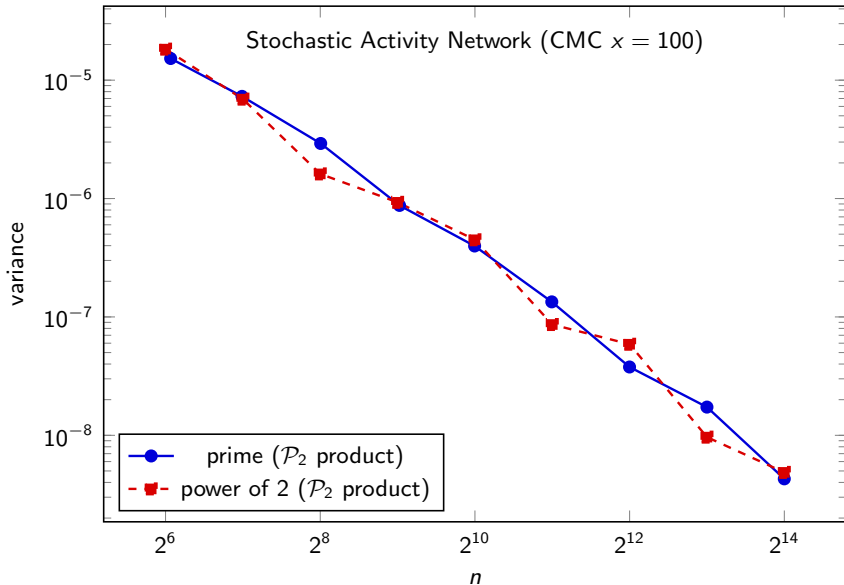
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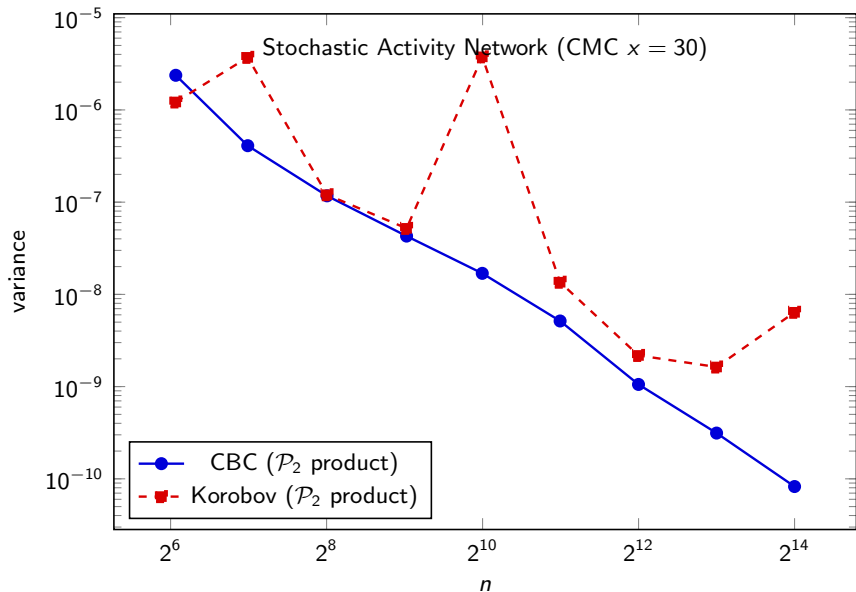
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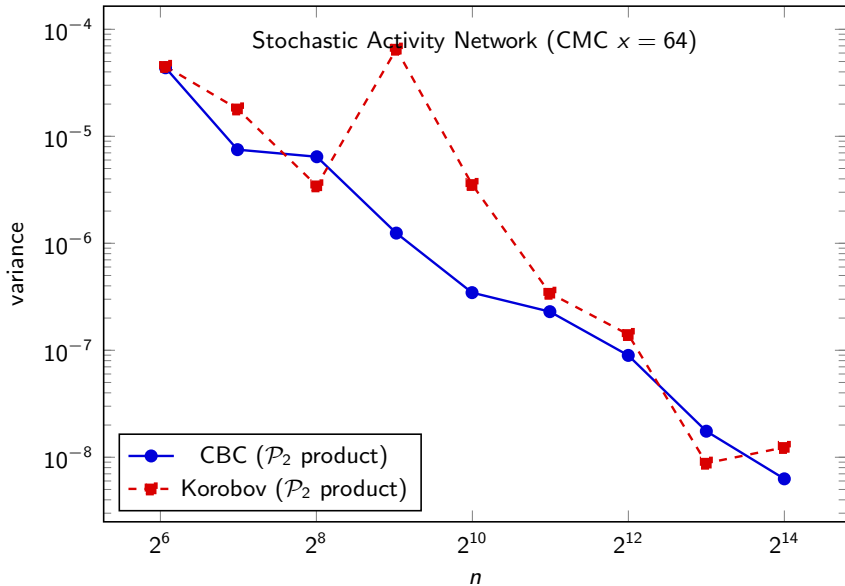
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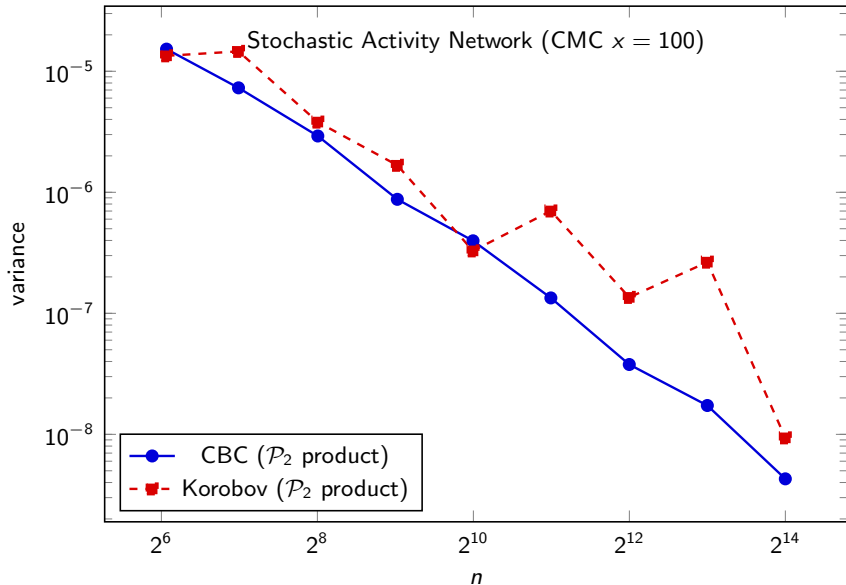


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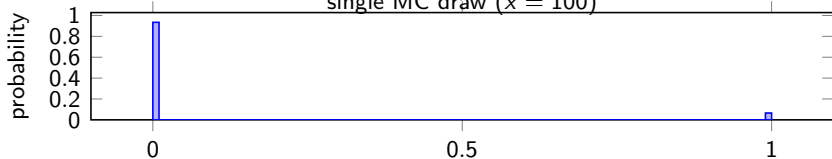


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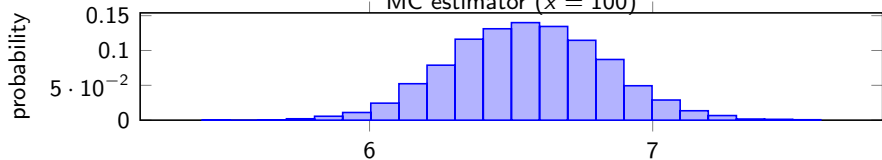


# Histograms

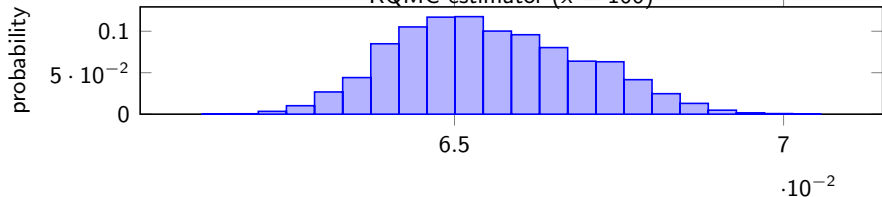
single MC draw ( $x = 100$ )



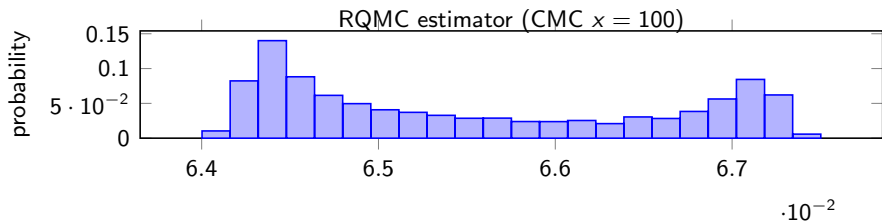
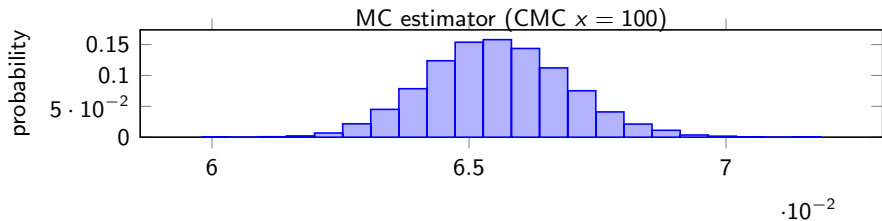
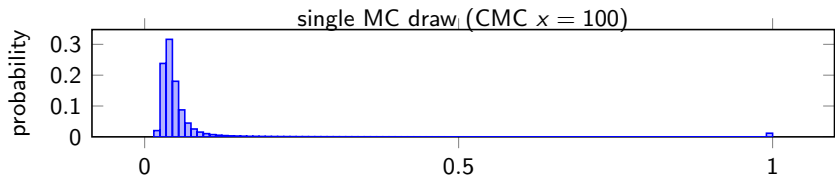
MC estimator ( $x = 100$ )



RQMC estimator ( $x = 100$ )



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## Conclusion and future work

- We (and you!) have a flexible software tool to search for good lattice rules based on various criteria, arbitrary weights, with several choices of method, arbitrary dimension and number of points.
- Can be handy for applications, as well as for empirical investigations on lattice rules behavior.

### Future:

- Consider other figures of merit, e.g., based on other function spaces.
- Design and implement a similar software tool for digital nets.

