

Deterministic and non-Deterministic Hyperuniformity in the Compact Setting

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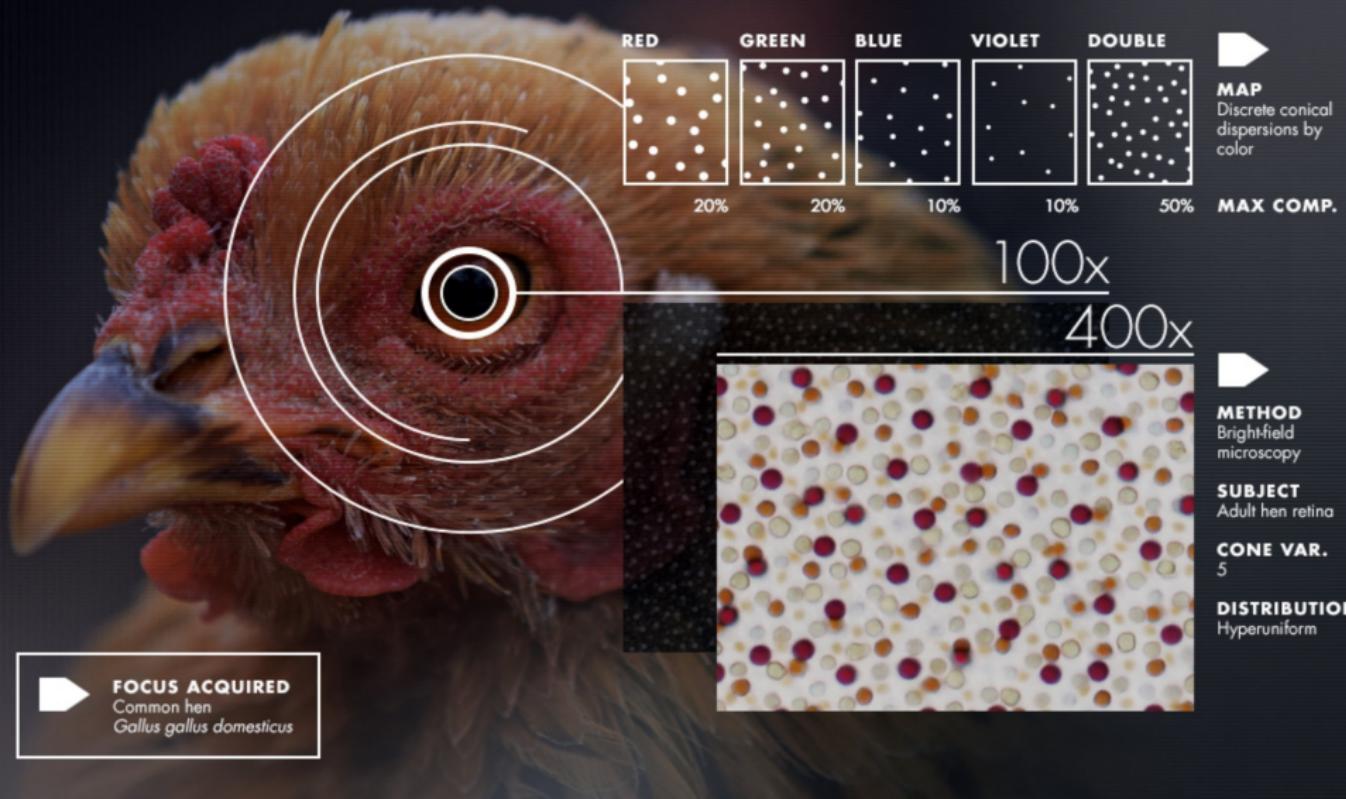
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Joe Corbo, MD, PhD * stared
into the eye of a chicken
and

saw something **astonishing.**

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Avian photoreceptor patterns represent a disordered hyperuniform solution to a multiscale packing problem

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Optimal spatial sampling of light rigorously requires that identical photoreceptors be arranged in perfectly

THE NON-COMPACT SETTING

Torquato and Stillinger [Physical Review E 68 (2003), no. 4, 041113]:

“A **hyperuniform** many-particle system in d -dimensional Euclidean space is one in which **normalized** density fluctuations are completely suppressed at very large lengths scales.”

The *structure factor*

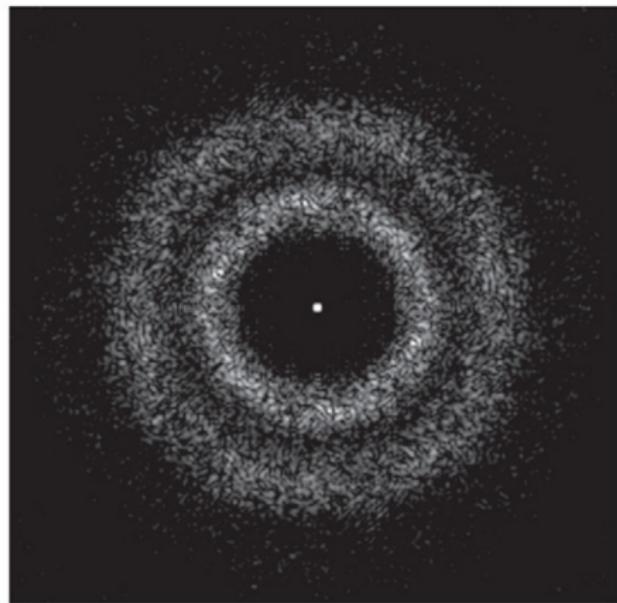
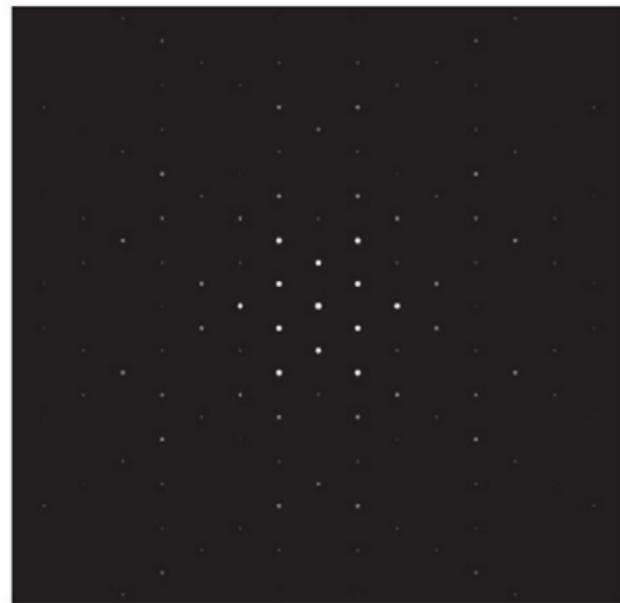
$$S(\mathbf{k}) = \lim_{B \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d} \frac{1}{\#(B \cap X)} \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in B \cap X} e^{i \langle \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y} \rangle}$$

(thermodynamic limit)

tends to zero as $k \equiv |\mathbf{k}| \rightarrow 0$.

Structure Factor a

^aproportional to the scattered intensity of radiation from a system of points and thus is obtainable from a scattering experiment



Scattering pattern for a **crystal** vs **disordered "stealthy" hyperuniform material**. — J. Phys.: Condens. Matter 28 (2016) 414012.

Equivalently, a

hyperuniform many-particle system

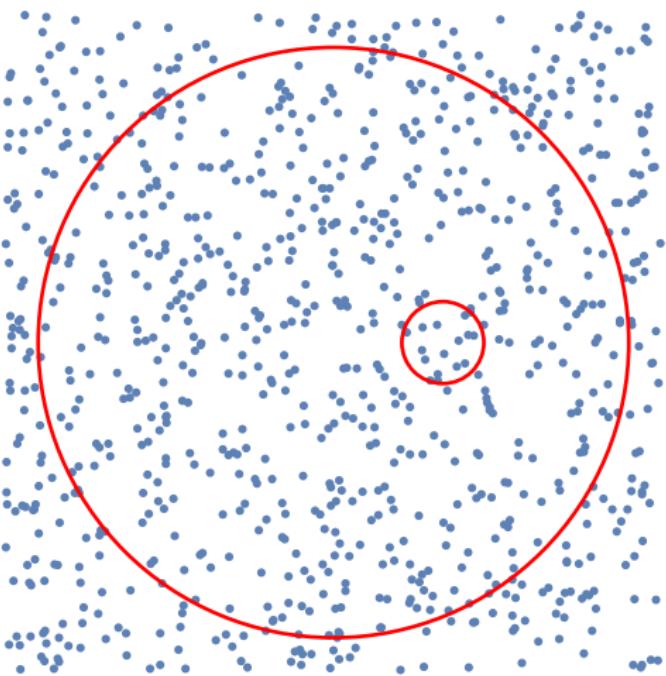
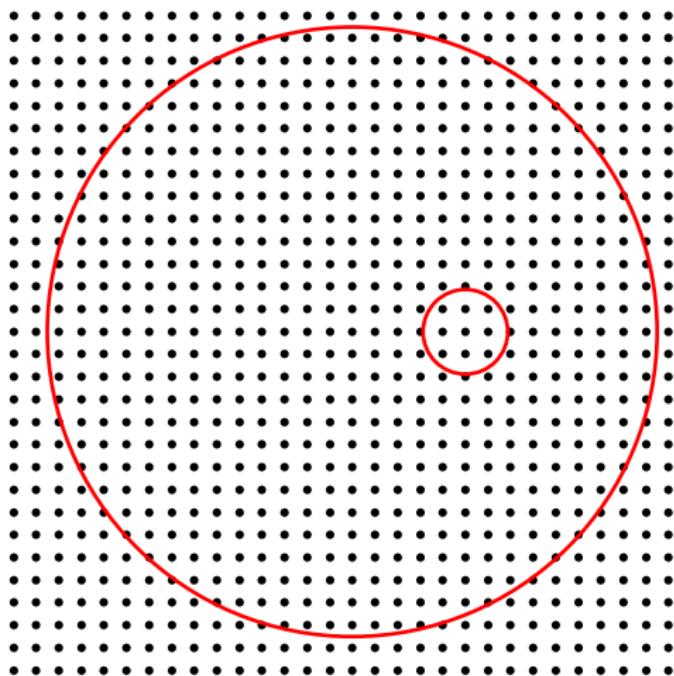
is one in which the

number variance $\text{Var}[N_R]$ of particles

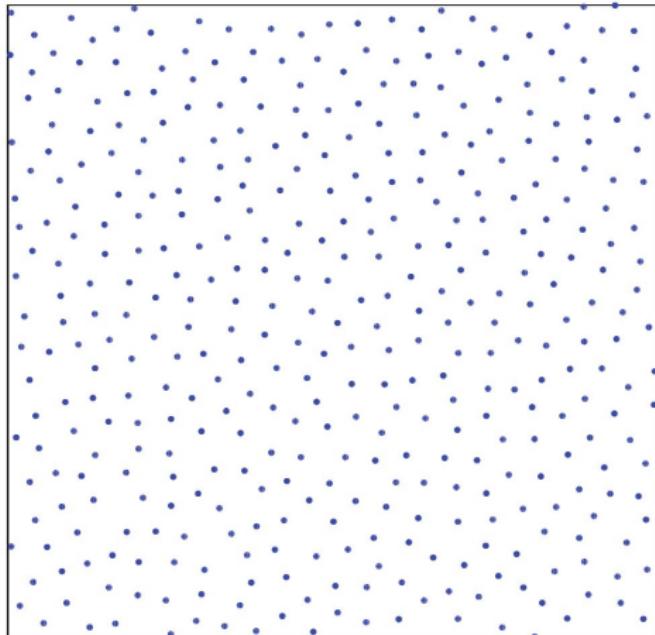
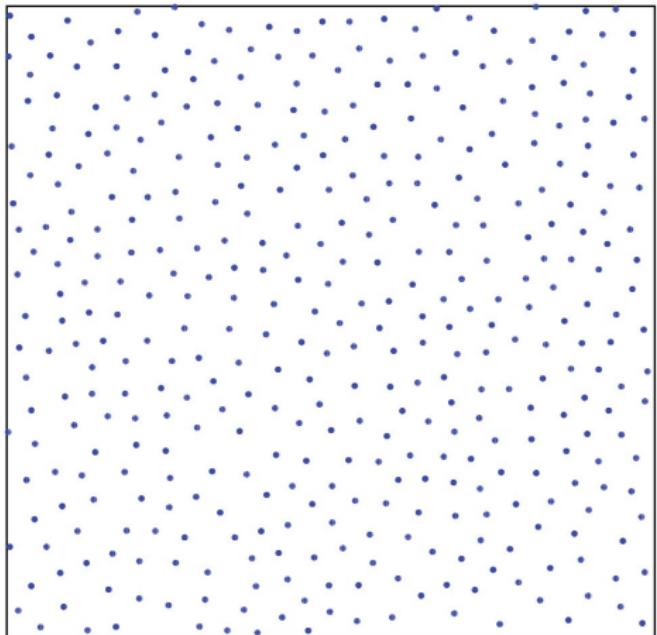
within a spherical observation window
of radius R grows **more slowly** than the
window volume in the large- R limit; i.e.,

slower than R^d .

Tossing observation windows



Hyperuniformity is very subtle . . .



When

$$S(\mathbf{k}) \sim |\mathbf{k}|^\alpha \quad \text{as } |\mathbf{k}| \rightarrow 0,$$

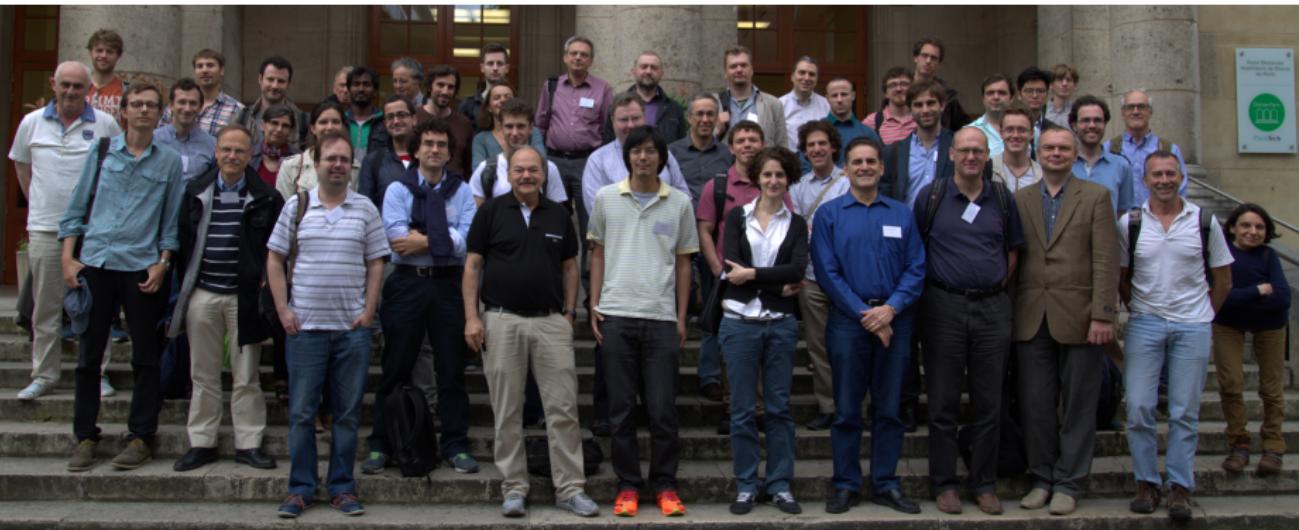
where $\alpha > 0$, the number variance has the following large- R asymptotic scaling:

$$\text{Var}[N_R] \sim \begin{cases} R^{d-1} & \alpha > 1, \\ R^{d-1} \log(R) & \alpha = 1, \\ R^{d-\alpha} & 0 < \alpha < 1. \end{cases}$$



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THE NON-COMPACT SETTING



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~~HYPER~~UNIFORMITY ON THE SPHERE

**Infinite sequence of N -point sets
on \mathbb{S}^d ,**

$$(X_N)_{N \in A}, \quad X_N \subseteq \mathbb{S}^d, N \in A \subseteq \mathbb{N}.$$

Spherical caps

$$C(\mathbf{x}, \phi) := \left\{ \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{S}^d \mid \langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} \rangle > \cos(\phi) \right\}.$$

Uniform distribution on \mathbb{S}^d

Definition

$(X_N)_{N \in A}$ is **asymptotically uniformly distributed on \mathbb{S}^d** if

$$\lim_{\substack{N \rightarrow \infty \\ N \in A}} \frac{\#\{k : \mathbf{x}_{k,N} \in B\}}{N} = \sigma_d(B)$$

for every Riemann-measurable set B in \mathbb{S}^d .

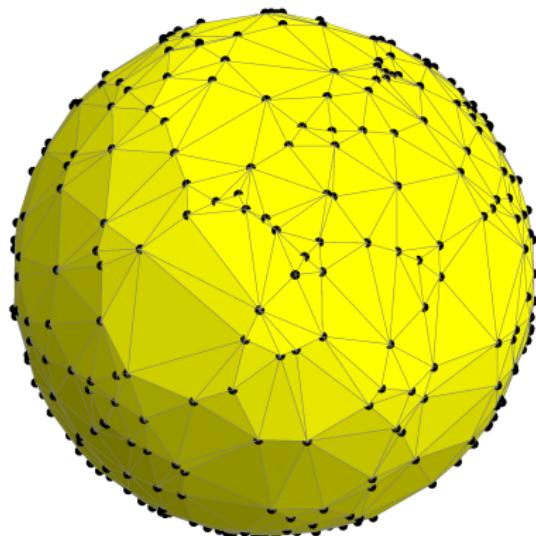
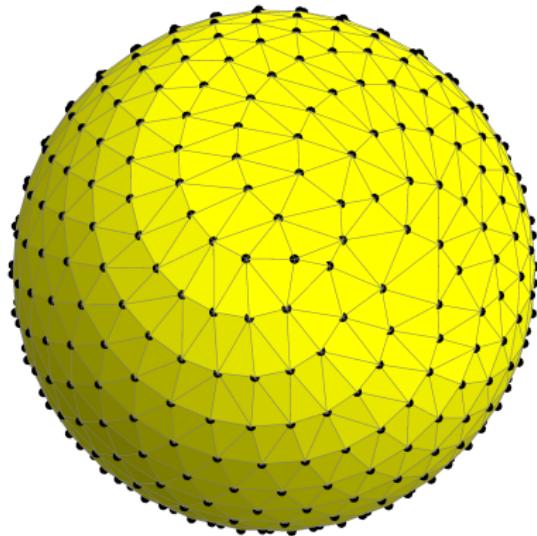
Informally: A reasonable set gets a fair share of points as N becomes large.

Equivalent definition

$(X_N)_{N \in A}$ is **asymptotically uniformly distributed on \mathbb{S}^d** if

$$\lim_{\substack{N \rightarrow \infty \\ N \in A}} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N f(\mathbf{x}_k) = \int_{\mathbb{S}^d} f \, d\sigma_d$$

for every $f \in C(\mathbb{S}^d)$.



Delaunay triangulation of spiral points (left) and i.i.d. random points (right)



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A Comparison of Popular Point Configurations on \mathbb{S}^2

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Abstract

There are many ways to generate a set of nodes on the sphere for use in a variety of problems in numerical analysis. We present a survey of quickly generated point sets on \mathbb{S}^2 , examine their equidistribution properties, separation, covering, and mesh ratio constants and present a new point set, equal area icosahedral points, with low mesh ratio. We analyze numerically the leading order asymptotics for the Riesz and logarithmic potential energy for these configurations with total points $N < 50,000$ and present some new conjectures.

LOW-DISCREPANCY SEQUENCES ON THE SPHERE

Spherical cap \mathbb{L}_∞ -discrepancy

$$D_{\mathbb{L}_\infty}^C(X_N) := \sup_C \left| \frac{|Z_N \cap C|}{N} - \sigma_d(C) \right|$$

Motivated by classical (up to $\sqrt{\log N}$ optimal) results of J. Beck (1984), a sequence (X_N) is of **low-discrepancy** if

$$D_{\mathbb{L}_\infty}^C(X_N) \leq c_1 \frac{\sqrt{\log N}}{N^{1/2+1/(2d)}}.$$

Unresolved Question: Unlike in the unit cube case, there are no known explicit low-discrepancy constructions on the sphere.

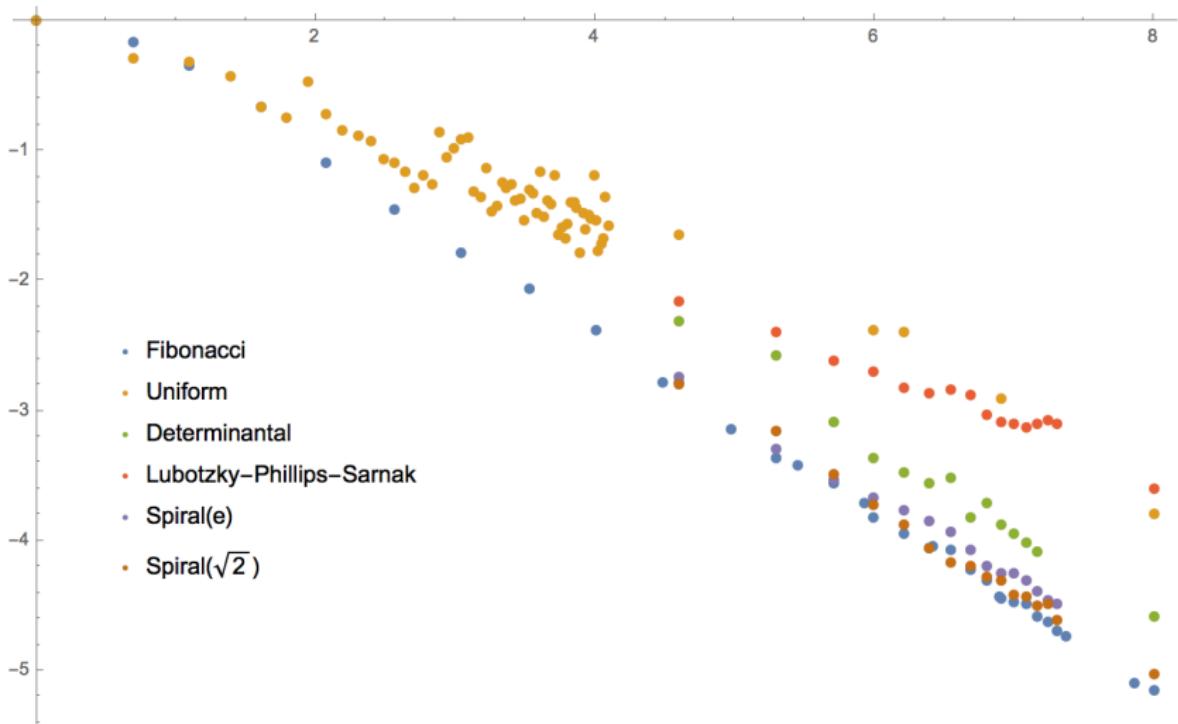
Theorem (Aistleitner-JSB-Dick, 2012)

$$D_{\mathbb{L}_\infty}^C(Z_{F_m}) \leq 44\sqrt{8} / \sqrt{F_m}$$

and numerical evidence that for some $\frac{1}{2} \leq c \leq 1$,

$$D_{\mathbb{L}_\infty}^C(Z_{F_m}) = \mathcal{O}((\log F_m)^c F_m^{-3/4}) \quad \text{as } F_m \rightarrow \infty.$$

RMK: A. Lubotzky, R. Phillips and P. Sarnak (1985, 1987) have $D_{\mathbb{L}_\infty}^C(X_N^{\text{LPS}}) \ll (\log N)^{2/3} N^{-1/3}$ with numerical evidence indicating $\mathcal{O}(N^{-1/2})$.



In-In plot of spherical cap \mathbb{L}_∞ -discrepancy of point set families.

Should be compared with ...

Theorem (Aistleitner-JSB-Dick, 2012)

$$\frac{c}{N^{1/2}} \leq \mathbb{E} \left[D_{\mathbb{L}_\infty}^C(X_N) \right] \leq \frac{C}{N^{1/2}}.$$

▶ Random

▶ Coulomb

Surprisingly:

Theorem (Götz, 2000)

$$\frac{c}{N^{1/2}} \leq D_{\mathbb{L}_\infty}^C(X_N^*) \leq C \frac{\log N}{N^{1/2}},$$

X_N^* minimizing the **Coulomb potential energy**

$$\sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ j \neq k}}^N \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x}_j - \mathbf{x}_k|}.$$

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Asymptotic behavior of **number variance**

$$V(X_N, \phi) := \mathbb{V}_{\mathbf{x}} [\#(X_N \cap C(\mathbf{x}, \phi))].$$

Number Variance & Uniform Distribution

$$V(X_N, \phi) = \int_{\mathbb{S}^d} \left(\sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{1}_{C(\mathbf{x}, \phi)}(\mathbf{x}_n) - N \sigma(C(\cdot, \phi)) \right) d\sigma_d(\mathbf{x})$$

appears in classical measure of **uniform distribution**,
spherical cap \mathbb{L}_2 -discrepancy of X_N

$$\mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{L}_2}^C(X_N) := \left(\int_0^\pi V(X_N, \phi) \sin(\phi) d\phi \right)^{1/2},$$

where **uniform distribution** is equivalent to

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{L}_2}^C(X_N) = 0.$$

Heuristically, **hyperuniformity in the compact setting** should mean that the number variance $V(X_N, \phi_N)$ is of

lower order than in the i.i.d. case.

Number Variance for i.i.d. points:

$$N \sigma_d(C(\cdot, \phi)) \left(1 - \sigma_d(C(\cdot, \phi))\right)$$

which has order of magnitude

- **large caps:** N
- **small caps:** $N \sigma_d(C(\cdot, \phi_N))$

- **threshold order:** t^d if $\phi_N = t N^{-1/d}$

$(X_N)_{N \in A}$ is

hyperuniform for large caps if

$$V(X_N, \phi) = o(N) \quad \text{as } N \rightarrow \infty$$

for all $\phi \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$.

$(X_N)_{N \in A}$ is

hyperuniform for small caps if

$$V(X_N, \phi_N) = o(N \sigma_d(C(\cdot, \phi_N)))$$

as $N \rightarrow \infty$ for all sequences $(\phi_N)_{N \in A}$ s.t.

$$(1) \quad \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \phi_N = 0,$$

$$(2) \quad \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} N \underbrace{\sigma_d(C(\cdot, \phi_N))}_{\asymp \phi_N^d} = \infty.$$

$(X_N)_{N \in A}$ is

**hyperuniform for caps
at threshold order[†] if**

$$\limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} V(X_N, t N^{-\frac{1}{d}}) = \mathcal{O}(t^{d-1})$$

as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

[†]analogous to non-compact Euclidean case

Integrating out the angular radius,

$$\int_0^\pi V(X_N, \phi) \sin(\phi) \, d\phi,$$

gives back the square of the

spherical cap \mathbb{L}_2 -discrepancy of X_N .

Local discrepancy function

$$D(X_N; C) := \frac{\#(X_N \cap C)}{N} - \sigma_d(C).$$

Spherical cap \mathbb{L}_2 -discrepancy:

$$D_{\mathbb{L}_2}^C(X_N).$$

Theorem (Stolarsky, 1973; JSB-Dick, 2013;)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{j,k=1}^N |\mathbf{x}_j - \mathbf{x}_k| + \frac{1}{C_d} \left[D_{\mathbb{L}_2}^C(X_N) \right]^2 \\ = \int \int |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}| \, d\sigma_d(\mathbf{x}) \, d\sigma_d(\mathbf{y}). \end{aligned}$$

FURTHER PROPERTIES

Laplace-Fourier series of the indicator function $\mathbb{1}_{C(\mathbf{x}, \phi)}$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{1}_{C(\mathbf{x}, \phi)}(\mathbf{y}) &= \sigma_d(C(\mathbf{x}, \phi)) \\ &+ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n(\phi) \underbrace{Z(d, n) P_n^{(d)}(\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle)}_{\frac{n+\lambda}{\lambda} C_n^{(\lambda)}(\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle), \lambda = \frac{d-1}{2}},\end{aligned}$$

where for $n \geq 1$,

$$a_n(\phi) = \frac{\gamma_d}{d} \sin(\phi)^d P_{n-1}^{(d+2)}(\cos(\phi)).$$

Laplace-Fourier expansion of $V(X_N, \phi)$

$$V(X_N, \phi)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_{\mathbb{S}^d} \left(\sum_{j=1}^N \mathbb{1}_{C(\mathbf{x}_j, \phi)}(\mathbf{x}) - N \sigma_d(C(\cdot, \phi)) \right)^2 d\sigma_d(\mathbf{x}) \\ &= \underbrace{\sum_{i,j=1}^N \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n(\phi)^2 Z(d, n) P_n^{(d)}(\langle \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j \rangle)}_{g_{\phi}(\langle \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j \rangle)}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$a_n(\phi)^2 = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\sin(\phi)^{d-1}}{n^{d+1}}\right), \quad Z(d, n) = \mathcal{O}(n^{d-1}).$$

Theorem

*If $(X_N)_{N \in \mathbb{N}}$ hyperuniform for large caps,
then for every $n \geq 1$*

$$s(n) := \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i,j=1}^N P_n^{(d)}(\langle \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j \rangle) = 0.$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{V(X_N, \phi)}{N} \\ &\geq \underbrace{a_n(\phi)^2}_{>0} \limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i,j=1}^N Z(d, n) P_n^{(d)}(\langle \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j \rangle). \end{aligned}$$

$(X_N)_{N \in \mathbb{N}}$ **uniformly distributed**

■ iff $\frac{\#(X_N \cap C)}{N} \rightarrow \sigma_d(C)$

as $N \rightarrow \infty$ for all caps C

■ iff $\frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{i,j=1}^N Z(d, n) P_n^{(d)}(\langle \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j \rangle) \rightarrow 0$

as $N \rightarrow \infty$ for all $n \geq 1$ (Weyl criterion).

Corollary

Hyperuniform $(X_N)_{N \in \mathbb{N}}$ uniformly distributed.

NOT obvious in the small caps and threshold order regimes!

HYPERUNIFORMITY OF QMC DESIGN SEQUENCES

QMC design sequences for $\mathbb{H}^s(\mathbb{S}^d)$, $s > d/2$

Definition (JSB-Saff-Sloan-Womersley, 2014)

A **QMC design sequence** (X_N) for $\mathbb{H}^s(\mathbb{S}^d)$ satisfies

$$\sup_{\substack{f \in \mathbb{H}^s(\mathbb{S}^d), \\ \|f\|_{\mathbb{H}^s} \leq 1}} \left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in X_N} f(\mathbf{x}) - \int_{\mathbb{S}^d} f \, d\sigma_d \right| \leq \frac{c(s, d)}{N^{s/d}}$$

for some $c(s, d) > 0$ independent of N .

$c(s, d)$ depends on $\mathbb{H}^s(\mathbb{S}^d)$ -norm.

A sequence $(Z_{N_t}^*)$ of spherical t -designs with N_t points of exactly the optimal order ($N_t \asymp t^d$) of points has the remarkable property that

$$\left| Q[Z_{N_t}^*](f) - I(f) \right| \leq c_s N_t^{-s/d} \|f\|_{\mathbb{H}^s}$$

for all $f \in \mathbb{H}^s(\mathbb{S}^d)$ and **all** $s > \frac{d}{2}$.

The order of N_t cannot be improved.

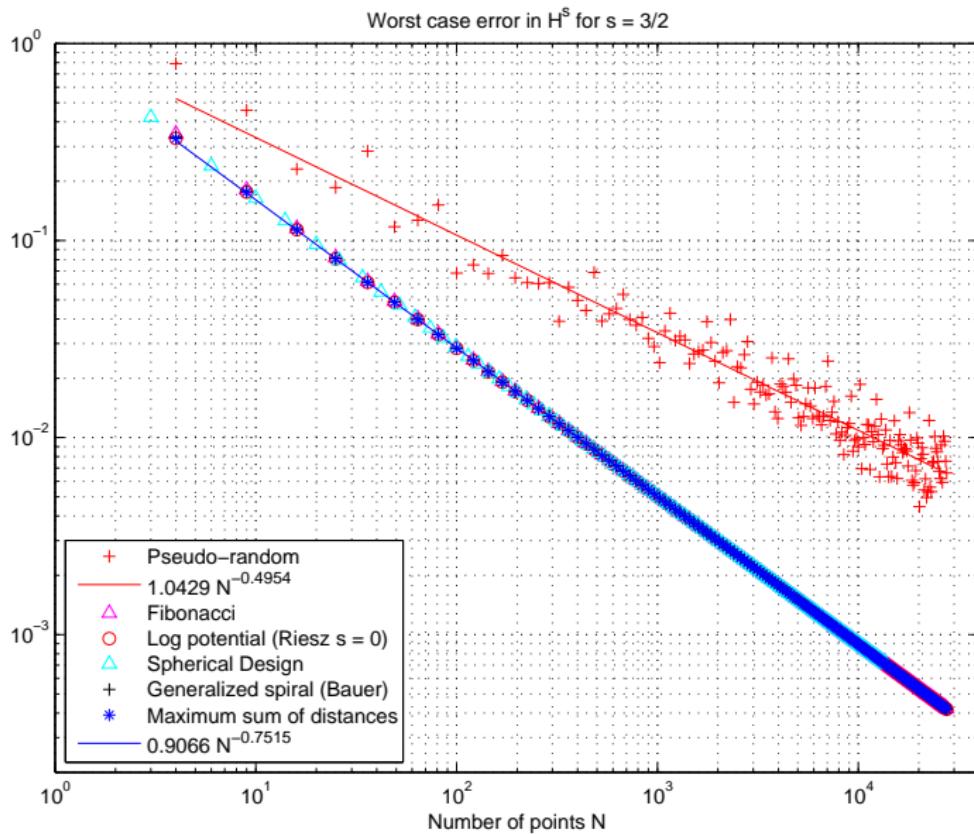
A sequence (X_N^*) of
maximal sum-of-distance N -point sets
define QMC rules that satisfy

$$|Q[X_{N^*}](f) - I(f)| \leq c_{s'} N^{-s'/d} \|f\|_{\mathbb{H}^{s'}}$$

for all $f \in \mathbb{H}^{s'}(\mathbb{S}^d)$ and all $\frac{d}{2} < s' \leq \frac{d+1}{2}$.

The order of N cannot be improved.

Open: Determine *strength* of (X_N^*) .



(cf. (JSB-Saff-Sloan-Womersley, 2014))

Numerics, II: Spherical Fibonacci Points

$$4 \left[D_{\mathbb{L}_2}^C(\mathcal{Z}_n) \right]^2 = \frac{4}{3} - \frac{1}{F_n^2} \sum_{j,k=0}^{F_n-1} |\mathbf{z}_j - \mathbf{z}_k|$$

n	F_n	$4 \left[D_{\mathbb{L}_2}^C(\mathcal{Z}_n) \right]^2$	$F_n^{-3/2}$	$4F_n^{3/2} \left[D_{\mathbb{L}_2}^C(\mathcal{Z}_n) \right]^2$
3	2	6.2622e-01	3.5355e-01	1.7712
4	3	3.2188e-01	1.9245e-01	1.6725
5	5	1.2865e-01	8.9442e-02	1.4384
6	8	5.7129e-02	4.4194e-02	1.2926
7	13	2.4622e-02	2.1334e-02	1.1540
8	21	1.1107e-02	1.0391e-02	1.0688
9	34	5.0965e-03	5.0440e-03	1.0103
10	55	2.3683e-03	2.4516e-03	0.9660
11	89	1.1064e-03	1.1910e-03	0.9289
12	144	5.2192e-04	5.7870e-04	0.9018
13	233	2.4792e-04	2.8116e-04	0.8817
14	377	1.1837e-04	1.3661e-04	0.8665
15	610	5.6680e-05	6.6375e-05	0.8539
16	987	2.7240e-05	3.2249e-05	0.8446
17	1597	1.3119e-05	1.5669e-05	0.8372
18	2584	6.3331e-06	7.6130e-06	0.8318
19	4181	3.0598e-06	3.6989e-06	0.8272
20	6765	1.4808e-06	1.7972e-06	0.8239
21	10946	7.1699e-07	8.7320e-07	0.8211
22	17711	3.4756e-07	4.2426e-07	0.8192
23	28657	1.6848e-07	2.0613e-07	0.8173
24	46368	8.1756e-08	1.0015e-07	0.8162
25	75025	3.9663e-08	4.8662e-08	0.8150
26	121393	1.9257e-08	2.3643e-08	0.8145
27	196418	9.3470e-09	1.1487e-08	0.8136
28	317811	4.5399e-09	5.5814e-09	0.8133
29	514229	2.2041e-09	2.7118e-09	0.8128
30	832040	1.0708e-09	1.3176e-09	0.8127
31	1346269	5.1999e-10	6.4018e-10	0.8122
				0.7985

cf. B [Uniform Distribution Theory 6:2 (2011)]

Sum of distances for Spherical Fibonacci points

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{F_n^2} \sum_{j=0}^{F_n-1} \sum_{k=0}^{F_n-1} |\mathbf{z}_j - \mathbf{z}_k|^{2s-2} &= V_{2s-2} + V_{2s-2} \sum_{\ell=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-s)_\ell}{(1+s)_\ell} (2\ell+1) \left| \frac{1}{F_n} \sum_{k=0}^{F_n-1} P_\ell \left(1 - \frac{2k}{F_n}\right) \right|^2 \\ &\quad + 2V_{2s-2} \sum_{\ell=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-s)_\ell}{(1+s)_\ell} (2\ell+1) \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} \frac{(\ell-m)!}{(\ell+m)!} \left| \frac{1}{F_n} \sum_{k=0}^{F_n-1} P_\ell^m \left(1 - \frac{2k}{F_n}\right) e^{2\pi i m k F_{n-1}/F_n} \right|^2. \end{aligned}$$

On the right-hand side one has (the error of) the numerical integration rule

$$0 = \int_{-1}^1 P_\ell(x) dx \approx \frac{1}{F_n} \sum_{k=0}^{F_n-1} P_\ell \left(1 - \frac{2k}{F_n}\right), \quad \ell \geq 1,$$

with equally spaced nodes in $[-1, 1]$ for the Legendre polynomials $P_\ell(x)$ and the *Fibonacci lattice rule*

$$0 = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 P_\ell^m \left(1 - 2x\right) e^{2\pi i m y} dx dy \approx \frac{1}{F_n} \sum_{k=0}^{F_n-1} P_\ell^m \left(1 - \frac{2k}{F_n}\right) e^{2\pi i m k F_{n-1}/F_n}$$

based on the Fibonacci lattice points in the unit square $[0, 1]^2$ for functions

$$f_\ell^m(x, y) := P_\ell^m \left(1 - 2x\right) e^{2\pi i m y}, \quad \ell \geq 1, 1 \leq |m| \leq \ell.$$

Theorem

A QMC design sequence for $\mathbb{H}^s(\mathbb{S}^d)$ with $s \geq \frac{d+1}{2}$ is hyperuniform for large caps, small caps, and caps at threshold order.

Lemma

The number variance satisfies

$$V(X_N, \phi) \ll (\sin \phi)^{d-1} N^2 \left[\text{wce}(Q[X_N]; \mathbb{H}^{\frac{d+1}{2}}(\mathbb{S}^d)) \right]^2$$

for any N -point set $X_N \subseteq \mathbb{S}^d$ and opening angle $\phi \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$.

Conclusions from the WCE formula

Any QMC design sequence $(X_N)_{N \in A}$ for $\mathbb{H}^s(\mathbb{S}^d)$, $s \geq \frac{d+1}{2}$, is hyperuniform for large caps and thus

$$\lim_{\substack{N \rightarrow \infty \\ N \in A}} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i,j=1}^N P_n^{(d)}(\langle \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j \rangle) = 0 \quad \text{for every } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

The WCE formula yields for each fixed $n \geq 1$

$$\lim_{\substack{N \rightarrow \infty \\ N \in A}} N^{-1 + \frac{s^* - (1+\varepsilon)\frac{d}{2}}{\frac{d}{2}}} \sum_{i,j=1}^N P_n^{(d)}(\langle \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j \rangle) = 0$$

for all sufficiently small $\varepsilon > 0$, where $s^* > \frac{d}{2}$ is the (finite) strength of $(X_N)_{N \in A}$.

Hyperuniform point sets on the sphere: deterministic constructions

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We study a generalisation of the concept of hyperuniformity to spheres of arbitrary dimension. It is shown that QMC-designs (and especially spherical designs) are hyperuniform in our sense.

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Thank You!

APPENDIX

J. Beck, 1984

To every N -point set Z_N on \mathbb{S}^d there exists a spherical cap $C \subset \mathbb{S}^d$ s.t.

$$c_1 N^{-1/2-1/(2d)} < \left| \frac{|Z_N \cap C|}{N} - \sigma_d(C) \right|$$

and (by a probabilistic argument) there exist an N -point sets Z_N^* on \mathbb{S}^d s.t.

$$\left| \frac{|Z_N^* \cap C|}{N} - \sigma_d(C) \right| < c_2 N^{-1/2-1/(2d)} \sqrt{\log N}$$

for every spherical cap C .

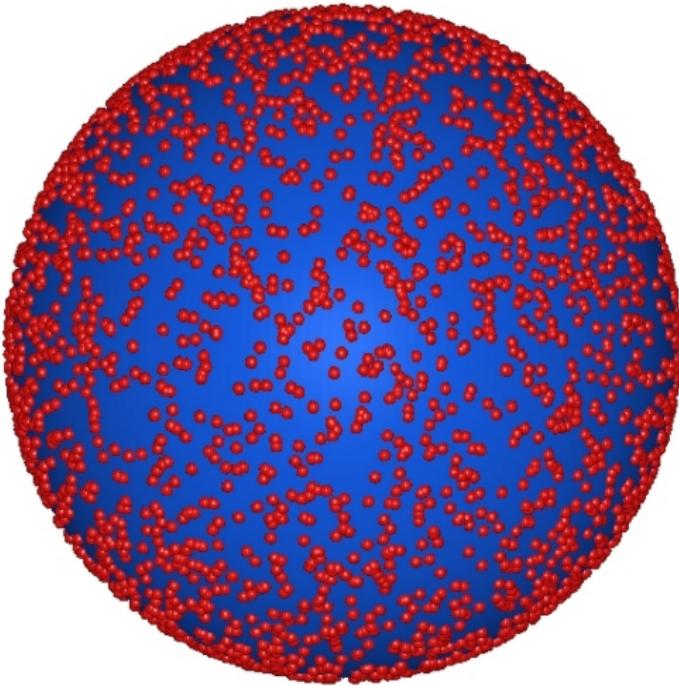
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Point Sets on the Sphere \mathbb{S}^2 with Small Spherical Cap Discrepancy

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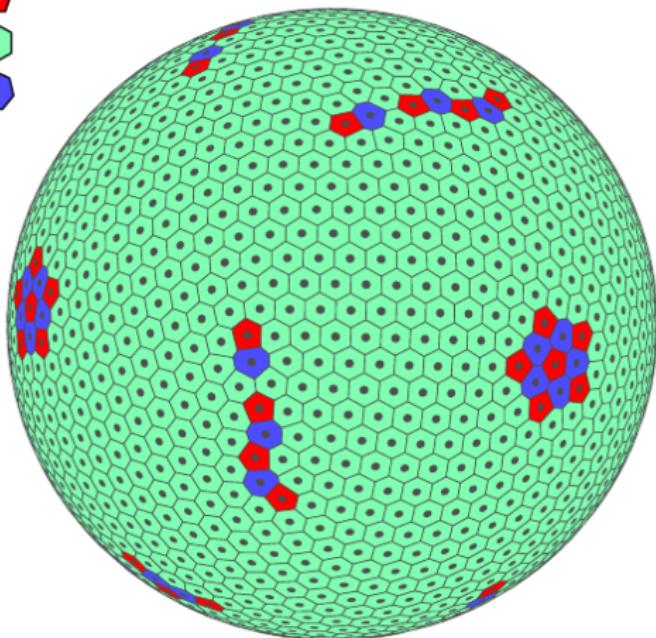
$N = 4096$ pseudo-random points



$\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_N$ i.i.d. uniformly on \mathbb{S}^d

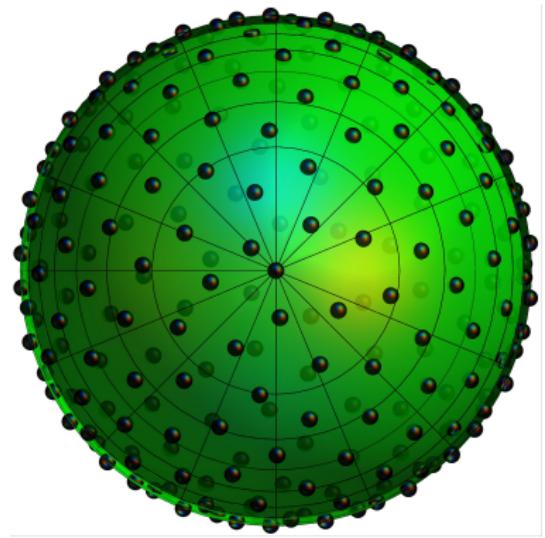
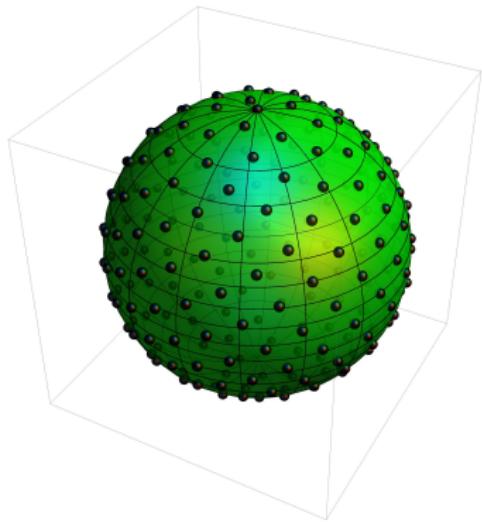
Minimum Riesz s -Energy Points on \mathbb{S}^2

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$N = 1600$, $s = 1$ (Coulomb case);
(cf. Hardin and Saff, 2004, Notices of AMS).

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Fibonacci sequence (OEIS: A000045):

$$F_0 := 0,$$

$$F_1 := 1,$$

$$F_{n+1} := F_n + F_{n-1}, \quad n \geq 1.$$

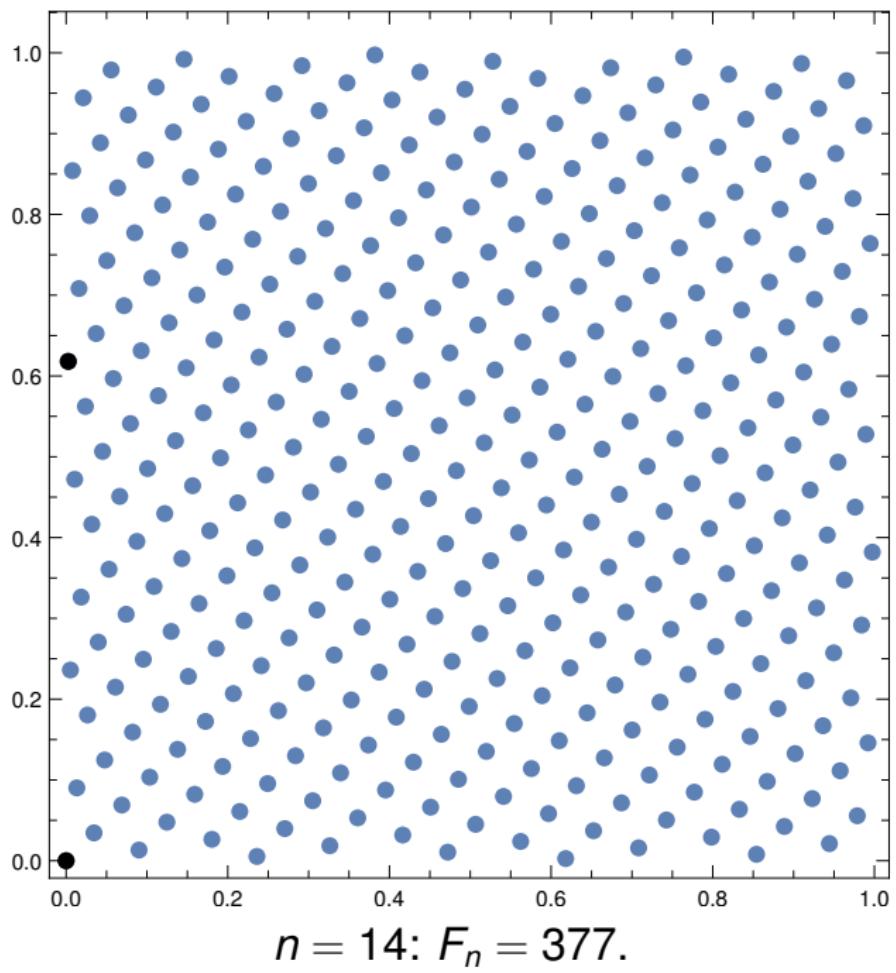
Fibonacci lattice in $[0, 1]^2$

$$\mathcal{F}_n : \quad \left(\frac{k}{F_n}, \left\{ k \frac{F_{n-1}}{F_n} \right\} \right), \quad 0 \leq k < F_n,$$

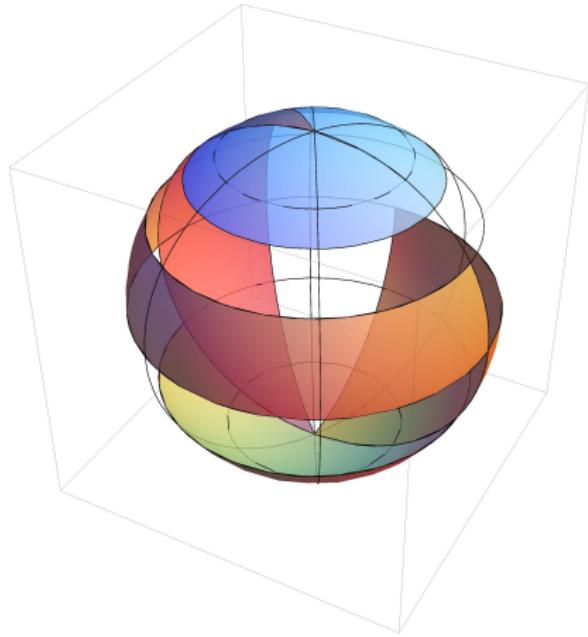
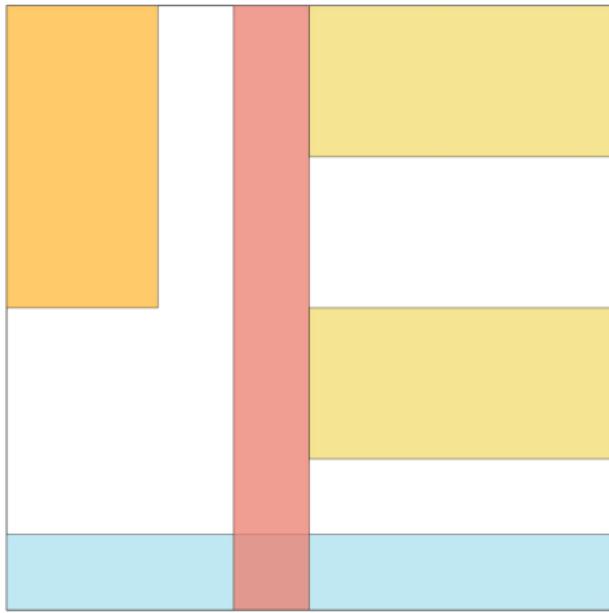
has optimal order star-discrepancy bounds:

$$\|\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{F}_n; \cdot)\|_\infty \asymp n \asymp \log F_n.$$

$\{x\}$ is fractional part of real x .



Area preserving Lambert transformation $\Phi : [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^2$

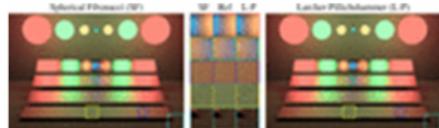


$$\Phi(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \cos(2\pi y) \sqrt{x - x^2} \\ 2 \sin(2\pi y) \sqrt{x - x^2} \\ 1 - 2x \end{pmatrix}$$

Spherical Fibonacci Point Sets for Illumination Integrals (pages 134–143)

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Quasi-Monte Carlo (QMC) methods exhibit a faster convergence rate than that of classic Monte Carlo methods. This feature has made QMC prevalent in image synthesis, where it is frequently used for approximating the value of spherical integrals (e.g. illumination integral). The common approach for generating QMC sampling patterns for spherical integration is to resort to unit square low-discrepancy sequences and map them to the hemisphere. However such an approach is suboptimal as these sequences do not account for the spherical topology and their discrepancy properties on the unit square are impaired by the spherical projection.

$$s^* := \sup \left\{ s : \begin{array}{l} (X_N) \text{ is QMC design} \\ \text{sequence for } \mathbb{H}^s(\mathbb{S}^d) \end{array} \right\}.$$

Table: Estimates of s^* for $d = 2$

Point set	s^*
Fekete	1.5
Equal area	2
Coulomb energy	2
Log energy	3
Generalized spiral	3
Distance	4
Spherical designs	∞