

Outcome-weighted sampling for Bayesian analysis

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Risk Quantification

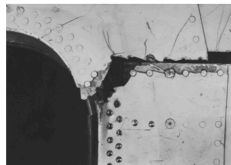
Extreme weather phenomena



Loads/motions in FSI problems



Fatigue-crack nucleation

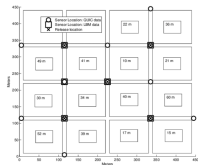


Optimization under uncertainty

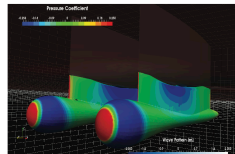
Path planning - exploration



Optimal sensor placement



Design under uncertainty



Challenge I: High-dimensional parameter spaces

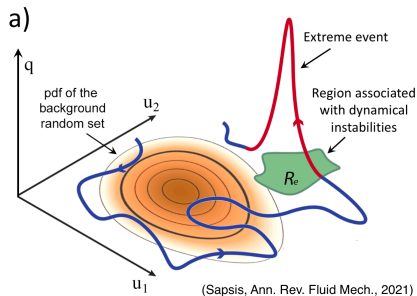
- Intrinsic instabilities
- Stochastic loads
- Random parameters

Challenge II: Need for expensive models

- Complex dynamics
- Hard to isolate dynamical mechanisms

The focus of this work

Goal: Develop sampling strategies appropriate for expensive models and high-dimensional parameter spaces



- Models in fluids: Navier-Stokes, NL Schrödinger, Euler
- Critical region of parameters is unknown
- Importance sampling based methods too expensive
- Input-space PCA focuses on subspaces, not sufficient

$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$: Uncertain parameters; pdf: $f_{\mathbf{x}}$

$\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^d$: Output or quantities of interest; expensive to compute

Risk Quantification Problem: Compute the statistics of y with the minimum number of experiments, i.e. input parameters

$$\{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N\}$$

A Bayesian approach

Employ a *linear* regression model with an input vector \mathbf{x} of length m that multiplies a coefficient vector \mathbf{A} to produce an output vector \mathbf{y} of length d , with Gaussian noise added:

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{e} \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{e} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{V}) \quad (2)$$

We are given a data set of pairs:

$$D = \{(\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{x}_1), (\mathbf{y}_2, \mathbf{x}_2), \dots, (\mathbf{y}_N, \mathbf{x}_N)\}.$$

We set $\mathbf{Y} = [\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \dots, \mathbf{y}_N]$ and $\mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N]$.

A Bayesian approach

From Bayesian regression, we obtain the pdf for new inputs \mathbf{x} :

$$p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}, D, \mathbf{V}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{S}_{yx}\mathbf{S}_{xx}^{-1}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{V}(1 + c)),$$

$$c = \mathbf{x}^T\mathbf{S}_{xx}^{-1}\mathbf{x},$$

$$\mathbf{S}_{xx} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^T + \mathbf{K}$$

$$\mathbf{S}_{yx} = \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{X}^T$$

Question: How to choose the next input point $\mathbf{x}_{N+1} = \mathbf{h}$?

1. Minimizing the model uncertainty

Given a hypothetical input point $\mathbf{x}_{N+1} = \mathbf{h}$, we have at \mathbf{x}

$$p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}, D', \mathbf{V}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{S}_{yx} \mathbf{S}_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{V}(1 + c)),$$
$$c = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{S}'_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{x},$$

where $\mathbf{S}'_{yx} \mathbf{S}'_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{S}_{yx} \mathbf{S}_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{x}$, assuming $\mathbf{y}_{N+1} = \mathbf{S}_{yx} \mathbf{S}_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{h}$.

We minimize the model uncertainty by choosing \mathbf{h} such that the distribution for c converges to zero (at least for the \mathbf{x} we are interested):

$$\mu_c(\mathbf{h}) = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{S}'_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{x}] = \text{tr}[\mathbf{S}'_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{C}_{xx}] + \mu_x^T \mathbf{S}'_{xx}^{-1} \mu_x = \text{tr}[\mathbf{S}'_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{R}_{xx}]$$

(valid for any f_x)

1. Minimizing the model uncertainty

Interpretation of the sampling process

1. The selection of the new sample does not depend on \mathbf{Y} .
2. We diagonalize \mathbf{R}_{xx} ; let $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_i$, $i = 1, \dots, m$ be the principal directions arranged according to the eigenvalues $\sigma_i^2 + \mu_{\hat{\mathbf{x}}_i}^2$.

To minimize

$$\mu_c(\mathbf{h}) = \text{tr}[\mathbf{S}'_{xx}{}^{-1} \mathbf{R}_{xx}] = \sum_{i=1}^d (\sigma_i^2 + \mu_{\hat{\mathbf{x}}_i}^2) [\mathbf{S}'_{\hat{\mathbf{x}}\hat{\mathbf{x}}}{}^{-1}]_{ii}, \quad \mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{S}^{m-1},$$

we need to sample in directions with the largest $\sigma_i^2 + \mu_{\hat{\mathbf{x}}_i}^2$.

3. After sufficient sampling in this direction, the scheme switches to the next most important direction and so on.
4. Emphasis on input directions with large uncertainty, even those that have zero effect to the output.

2. Maximizing the x, y mutual information

Maximizing the entropy transfer or mutual information between the input and output variables, when a new sample is added:

$$\mathcal{I}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} | D') = \mathcal{E}_x + \mathcal{E}_{y|D'} - \mathcal{E}_{x,y|D'}.$$

We have:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{E}_{x,y}(\mathbf{h}) &= \int_y \int_x f_{xy}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} | D') \log f_{xy}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} | D') \\ &= \int_x \mathcal{E}_{y|x}(\mathbf{x} | D') f_x(\mathbf{x}) + \int_x f_x(\mathbf{x}) \log f_x(\mathbf{x}) \\ &= \mathbb{E}^x[\mathcal{E}_{y|x}(D')] + \mathcal{E}_x.\end{aligned}$$

2. Maximizing the x, y mutual information

Given a new input point $\mathbf{x}_{N+1} = \mathbf{h}$, we have at any input \mathbf{x}

$$p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}, D', \mathbf{V}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{S}_{yx} \mathbf{S}_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{V}(1 + c)),$$
$$c = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{S}'_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{x},$$

Therefore,

$$\mathcal{I}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}|D', \mathbf{V}) = \mathcal{E}_y(\mathbf{h}) - \frac{d}{2} \mathbb{E}^x[\log(1 + c(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{h}))] - \frac{1}{2} \log |2\pi e \mathbf{V}|$$

Note 1: Valid for any distribution f_x

Note 2: Hard to compute for high dimensions

2. Maximizing the x, y mutual information

Gaussian approximation

The Gaussian approximation of the entropy criterion:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{I}_G(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} | D', \mathbf{V}) &= \frac{1}{2} \log |\mathbf{V}(1 + \mu_c(\mathbf{h})) + \mathbf{s}_{yx} \mathbf{s}_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{C}_{xx} \mathbf{s}_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{yx}^T| \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} \log |\mathbf{V}| - \frac{d}{2} \mathbb{E}^x [\log(1 + c(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{h}))],\end{aligned}$$

Note 1: The effect of \mathbf{Y} appears only through a single scalar/vector and with no coupling on the new point \mathbf{h} .

Note 2: Asymptotically (i.e. for small σ_c^2) the criterion becomes

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{I}_G(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} | D') &= \frac{1}{2} \log |\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{V}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{yx} \mathbf{s}_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{C}_{xx} \mathbf{s}_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{yx}^T| - \\ &\quad \left(d - \text{tr} [[\mathbf{V} + \mathbf{s}_{yx} \mathbf{s}_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{C}_{xx} \mathbf{s}_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{yx}^T]^{-1} \mathbf{V}] \right) \frac{\mu_c(\mathbf{h})}{2} + \mathcal{O}(\mu_c^2)\end{aligned}$$

3. Output-weighted optimal sampling

Let \mathbf{y}_0 be the rv defined as the mean model:

$$\mathbf{y}_0 \triangleq \mathbf{S}_{yx} \mathbf{S}_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{x}$$

We define the perturbed model:

$$\mathbf{y}_+ \triangleq \mathbf{S}_{yx} \mathbf{S}_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{r}_V (1 + \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{S}'_{xx}{}^{-1} \mathbf{x}),$$

where β is a scaling factor to be chosen later and \mathbf{r}_V the most dominant eigenvector of \mathbf{V} .

We define the distance (Mohamad & Sapsis, PNAS, 2018)

$$D_{Log^1}(\mathbf{y}_+ \parallel \mathbf{y}_0; \mathbf{h}) = \int_{S_y} |\log f_{y_+}(\mathbf{y}; \mathbf{h}) - \log f_{y_0}(\mathbf{y})| d\mathbf{y}$$

where S_y is a finite sub-domain of \mathbf{y} .

3. Output-weighted optimal sampling

We can show that for bounded pdfs:

$$D_{KL}(\mathbf{y}_+ \parallel \mathbf{y}_0; \mathbf{h}) \leq \kappa D_{Log^1}(\mathbf{y}_+ \parallel \mathbf{y}_0; \mathbf{h}),$$

where κ is a constant. D_{Log^1} is more conservative compared with the KL divergence.

- Significantly improved performance in terms of convergence for f_y .
- Criterion $D_{Log^1}(\mathbf{y}_+ \parallel \mathbf{y}_0)$ is hard to compute/optimize.

3. Output-weighted optimal sampling

Under appropriate smoothness conditions standard inequalities for derivatives of smooth functions give (Sapsis, Proc Roy Soc A, 2020):

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow 0} D_{\text{Log}^1}(\mathbf{y}_+ \| \mathbf{y}_0; \mathbf{h}) \leq \kappa_0 \int \frac{f_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x})}{f_{\mathbf{y}_0}(\mathbf{y}_0(\mathbf{x}))} \sigma_y^2(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{h}) d\mathbf{x}.$$

3. Output-weighted optimal sampling

We define the output-weighted model error criterion

$$Q[\mathbf{h}] \triangleq \int \frac{f_x(\mathbf{x})}{f_{y_0}(\mathbf{y}_0(\mathbf{x}))} \sigma_y^2(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{h}) d\mathbf{x}.$$

- 1 Model error weighted according to the importance (probability) of the input
- 2 Model error inversely weighted according to the probability of the output: *emphasis is given to outputs with low probability (rare events)*

Relevant criterion (Verdinelli & Kadane, 1992)

$$U(D') = q_1 \int \mathbf{y}_0(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{1} d\mathbf{x} + q_2 \mathcal{E}_{xy|D'}.$$

3. Output-weighted optimal sampling

Approximation of the criterion

$$Q[\sigma_y^2] \triangleq \int \frac{f_x(\mathbf{x})}{f_{y_0}(\mathbf{y}_0(\mathbf{x}))} \sigma_y^2(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{h}) d\mathbf{x}.$$

Denominator approximation in S_y for symmetric f_y and scalar y

$$f_{y_0}^{-1}(y) \simeq p_1 + p_2(y - \mu_y)^2,$$

where p_1, p_2 are constants chosen so that m.s. error is min

We employ a Gaussian approximation for f_{y_0} (only for this step) and over the interval $S_y = [\mu_y, \mu_y + \beta\sigma_y]$ we obtain

$$p_1 = \sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_y \quad \text{and} \quad p_2 = \frac{5\sqrt{2\pi}}{\beta^5\sigma_y} \left(\int_0^\beta z^2 e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} dz - \frac{\beta^3}{3} \right)$$

3. Output-weighted optimal sampling

Approximation of the criterion

We collect all the computed terms and obtain (for Gaussian \mathbf{x})

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{\beta\sigma_y}(\mathbf{h}) \frac{1}{\sigma_V^2} &= p_1(\beta)(1 + \text{tr}[\mathbf{S}'_{xx}{}^{-1} \mathbf{C}_{xx}] + \mu_x^T \mathbf{S}'_{xx}{}^{-1} \mu_x) \\ &\quad + p_2(\beta)c_0(1 + \mu_x^T \mathbf{S}'_{xx}{}^{-1} \mu_x - \text{tr}[\mathbf{S}'_{xx}{}^{-1} \mathbf{C}_{xx}]) \\ &\quad + 2p_2 \text{tr}[\mathbf{S}_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{S}_{yx}^T \mathbf{S}_{yx} \mathbf{S}_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{C}_{xx} \mathbf{S}'_{xx}{}^{-1} \mathbf{C}_{xx}]. \end{aligned}$$

For zero mean input we have

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{\beta\sigma_y}(\mathbf{h}) \frac{1}{\sigma_V^2} &= (p_1 - p_2 c_0) \text{tr}[\mathbf{S}'_{xx}{}^{-1} \mathbf{C}_{xx}] \\ &\quad + 2p_2 \text{tr}[\mathbf{S}'_{xx}{}^{-1} \mathbf{C}_{xx} \mathbf{S}_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{S}_{yx}^T \mathbf{S}_{yx} \mathbf{S}'_{xx}{}^{-1} \mathbf{C}_{xx}] + \text{const.} \end{aligned}$$

3. Output-weighted optimal sampling

Gradient of the criterion

For general functions of the form

$$\lambda[\mathbf{h}] = \text{tr}[\mathbf{S}'_{xx}{}^{-1} \mathbf{C}],$$

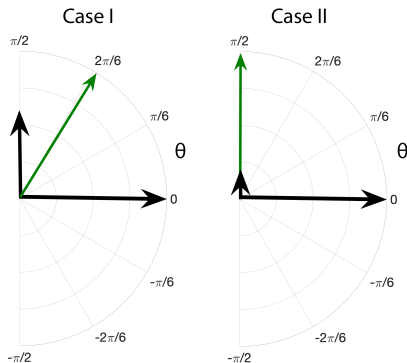
where \mathbf{C} is a symmetric matrix. The gradient takes the form

$$\frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial h_k} = -2\mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{S}'_{xx}{}^{-1} \mathbf{C} \mathbf{S}'_{xx}{}^{-1}.$$

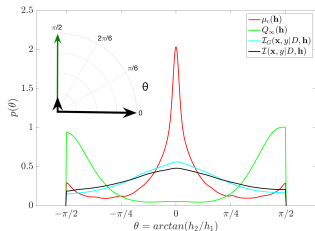
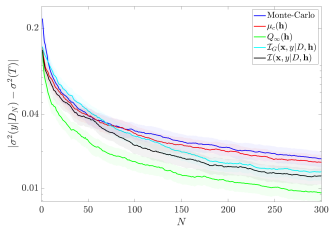
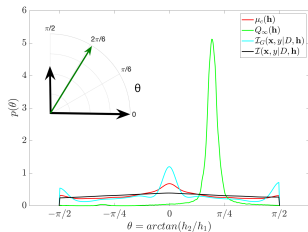
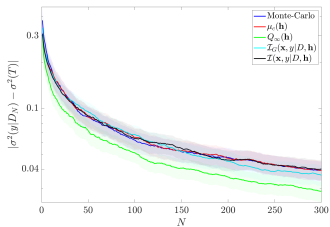
Example 1: 2-dimensional input

$\hat{y}(\mathbf{x}) = \hat{a}_1 x_1 + \hat{a}_2 x_2 + \epsilon$, where $\mathbf{x} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix})$ and $\sigma_V^2 = 0.05$.

- Case I : $\hat{a}_1 = 0.8$, $\hat{a}_2 = 1.3$, and $\sigma_1^2 = 1.4$, $\sigma_2^2 = 0.6$.
- Case II: $\hat{a}_1 = 0.01$, $\hat{a}_2 = 2.0$, and $\sigma_1^2 = 2.0$, $\sigma_2^2 = 0.2$.



Results for the 2D problem



Example 2: A 20-dimensional input

$$\hat{y}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{m=1}^{20} \hat{a}_m x_m + \epsilon, \text{ where } x_m \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_m^2), m = 1, \dots, 20,$$

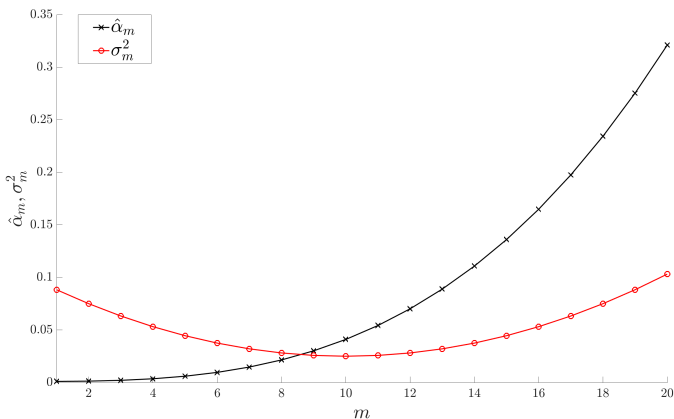
$$\hat{a}_m = \left(1 + 40 \left(\frac{m}{10} \right)^3 \right) 10^{-3}, m = 1, \dots, 20,$$

$$\sigma_m^2 = \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{128} (m - 10)^3 \right) 10^{-1}, m = 1, \dots, 20.$$

For the observation noise we consider two cases:

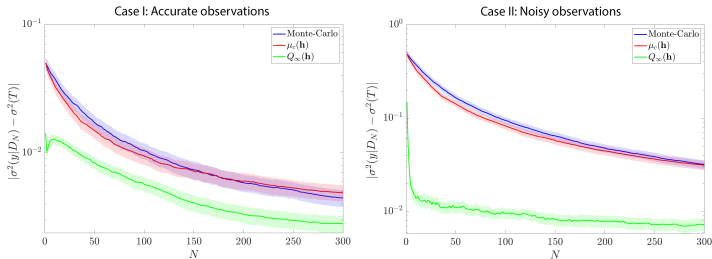
- Case I: $\sigma_\epsilon^2 = 0.05$ (accurate observations)
- Case II: $\sigma_\epsilon^2 = 0.5$ (noisy observations)

Example 2: A 20-dimensional input



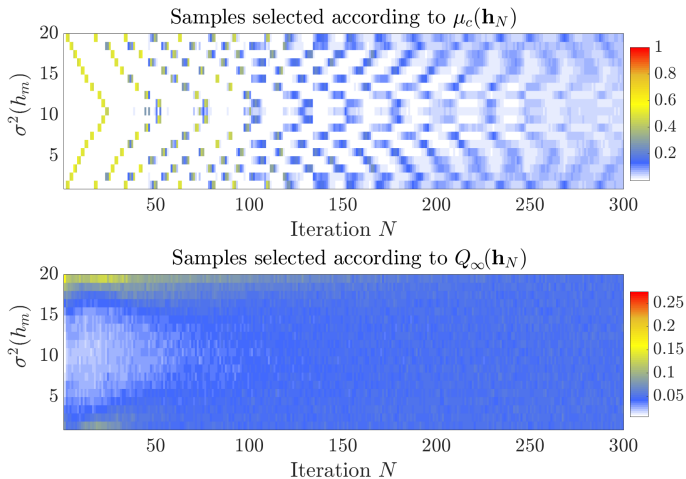
Coefficients, $\hat{\alpha}_m$, of the map $\hat{y}(\mathbf{x})$ (black curve) plotted together with the variance of each input direction σ_m^2 (red curve).

Example 2: A 20-dimensional input



Performance of the two adaptive approaches based on μ_C and Q_∞ .

Example 2: A 20-dimensional input



Energy of the different components of \mathbf{h} with respect to the number of iteration N for Case I of the high dimensional problem.

Optimal sampling for nonlinear regression

Let the input $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^m$, be expressed as a function of another input $\mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z} \subset \mathbb{R}^s$ where the input value has distribution $f_{\mathbf{z}}$ and \mathcal{Z} be a compact set.

We choose a set of basis functions

$$\mathbf{x} = \phi(\mathbf{z}).$$

The distribution of the output values will be

$$p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{z}, D, \mathbf{V}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{S}_{y\phi} \mathbf{S}_{\phi\phi}^{-1} \phi(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{V}(1 + \mathbf{c})),$$

$$\mathbf{c} = \phi(\mathbf{z})^T \mathbf{S}_{\phi\phi}^{-1} \phi(\mathbf{z}),$$

$$\mathbf{S}_{\phi\phi} = \sum_{i=1}^N \phi(\mathbf{z}_i) \phi(\mathbf{z}_i)^T$$

Example 3: A nonlinear map

$$\hat{y}(\mathbf{z}) = \hat{a}_1 z_1 + \hat{a}_2 z_2 + \hat{a}_3 z_1^3 + \hat{a}_4 z_2^3 + \epsilon,$$

where

$$\mathbf{x} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(0, \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix}\right) \text{ and } \sigma_V^2 = 10^{-4}$$

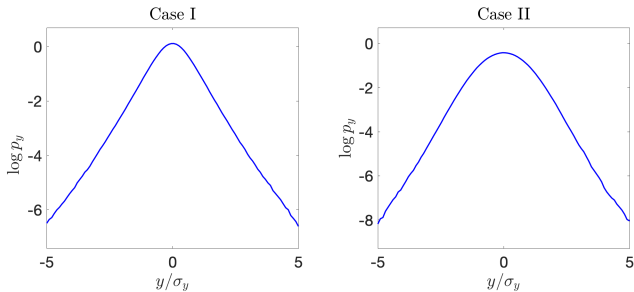
Two cases of parameters

- $\hat{a}_1 = 10^{-2}, \hat{a}_2 = 5, \hat{a}_4 = 10^2, \sigma_1^2 = 2 \cdot 10^{-1}, \sigma_2^2 = 5 \cdot 10^{-3}$
- $\hat{a}_1 = 10, \hat{a}_2 = 5, \hat{a}_4 = 10^2, \sigma_1^2 = 2 \cdot 10^{-3}, \sigma_2^2 = 5 \cdot 10^{-3}$

The basis functions are chosen as

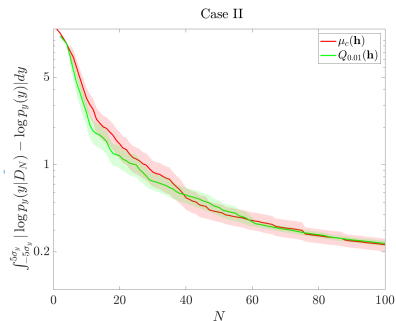
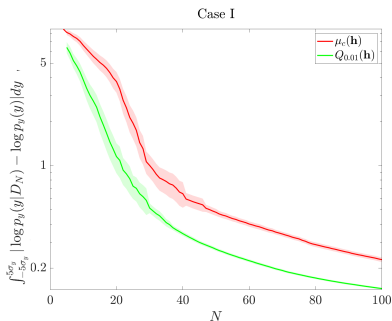
$$\phi(\mathbf{z}) = z_1^i z_2^j, \quad (i, j) \in \{(0, 1), (1, 0), (1, 1), (0, 3), (3, 0)\}$$

Example 3: A nonlinear map



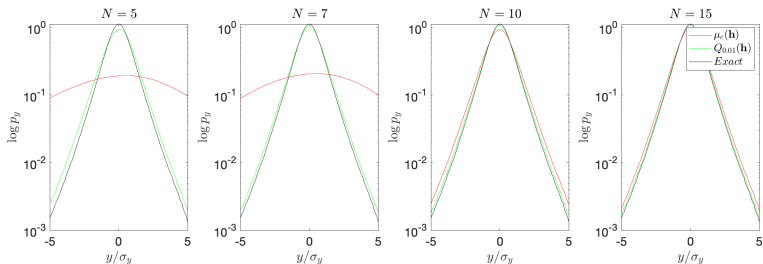
Exact pdf for the two cases of the nonlinear map using MC with 10^5 samples.

Example 3: A nonlinear map



Performance of the two adaptive approaches based on μ_c and Q_∞ for the nonlinear problem.

Example 3: A nonlinear map



Performance of the two adaptive approaches based on μ_C and Q_∞ for the nonlinear problem and Case I parameters.

Example 4: Rare events in a stochastic oscillator

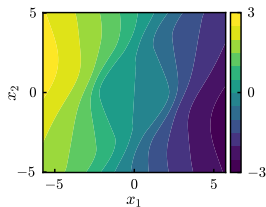
$$\ddot{u} + \delta \dot{u} + F(u) = \xi(t), \quad t \in [0, T]$$

The stochastic excitation is parametrized by a KL expansion:

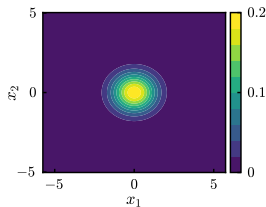
$$\xi(t) \approx \mathbf{x}\Phi(t), \quad \mathbf{x} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \Lambda)$$

The quantity of interest is the mean displacement

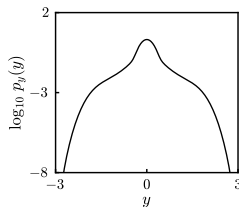
$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T u(t; \mathbf{x}) dt$$



Objective function



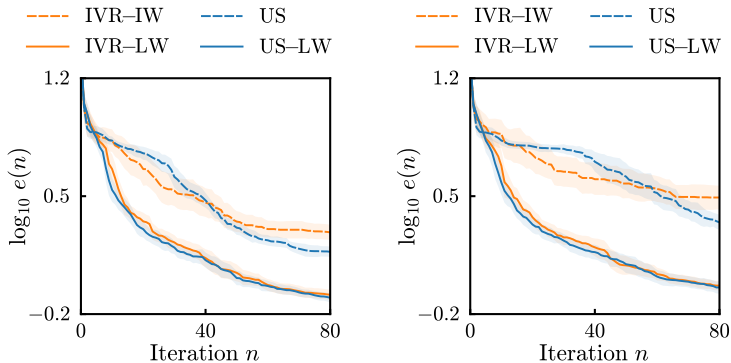
Input pdf



Output pdf

Quantifying rare events in a stochastic oscillator

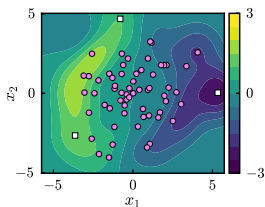
$$e(n) = \int |\log p_y(\mu) - \log p_y(f)| dy$$



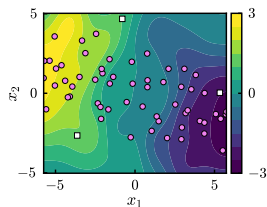
Benchmark results for the stochastic oscillator with $\sigma_\epsilon^2 = 0$ (left) and $\sigma_\epsilon^2 = 10^{-3}$ (right)

US: Uncertainty sampling: $\min_x \sigma^2(x)$; US-LW: $\min_x w(x) \sigma^2(x)$;
IVR: Integrated Variance Reduction-Input Weighted (IVR-IW): $\mu_c(x)$; IVR-LW: Q-criterion.

Example 4: Rare events in a stochastic oscillator



μ_C (Input-weighted variance)



Q-criterion

The output-weighted criterion targets “relevant” regions more efficiently

Bayesian Optimization: Problem setup

$\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^m$: Input parameters

Minimize $y = f(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathbb{R}$

- Starting from a set of n_{init} input-output pairs goal is to construct a surrogate of f and its global minimum
- Ingredient 1: surrogate model (here GPR)
- Ingredient 2: acquisition function

Pure exploration:

Uncertainty Sampling $a(\mathbf{x}) = -\sigma^2(\mathbf{x})$

Integrated Variance Reduction $a(\mathbf{x}) = -\int_{\mathcal{X}} \text{cov}^2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') d\mathbf{x}' / \sigma^2(\mathbf{x})$

Exploration–exploitation trade-off (B. Shahriari et al., IEEE 2015)

BO-Repurposed IVR $a(\mathbf{x}) = \mu(\mathbf{x}) + \kappa a_{IVR}(\mathbf{x})$

Lower Confidence Bound $a(\mathbf{x}) = \mu(\mathbf{x}) - \kappa\sigma(\mathbf{x})$

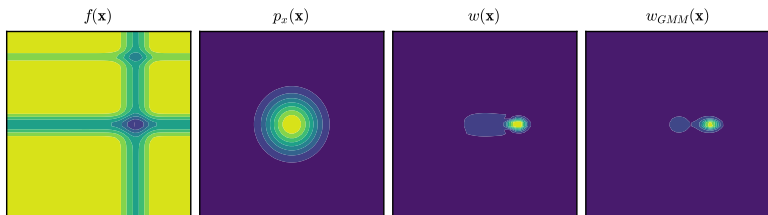
Probability of Improvement $a(\mathbf{x}) = -\Phi(\lambda(\mathbf{x}))$

Expected Improvement $a(\mathbf{x}) = -\sigma(\mathbf{x}) [\lambda(\mathbf{x})\Phi(\lambda(\mathbf{x})) - \phi(\lambda(\mathbf{x}))]$

where $\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = (y^* - \mu(\mathbf{x}) - \xi) / \sigma(\mathbf{x})$

The role of the likelihood ratio in BO and BED

$$w(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{p_x(\mathbf{x})}{p_y(\mu(\mathbf{x}))} \approx \sum_{i=1}^{n_{GMM}} \alpha_i \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}; \omega_i, \Sigma_i)$$



2-D Michalewicz function

The likelihood ratio

- acts as a probabilistic sampling weight
- emphasizes the most relevant regions of the input space
- can be approximated by a small number of Gaussian mixtures

Acquisition functions for BO and BED

$$w(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\rho_x(\mathbf{x})}{\rho_y(\mu(\mathbf{x}))}$$

Pure exploration:

Uncertainty Sampling $a(\mathbf{x}) = -\sigma^2(\mathbf{x})w(\mathbf{x})$

Integrated Variance Reduction $a(\mathbf{x}) = -\int_{\mathcal{X}} \text{cov}^2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')w(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}' / \sigma^2(\mathbf{x})$

Exploration–exploitation trade-off :

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Probability of Improvement $a(\mathbf{x}) = -\Phi(\lambda(\mathbf{x}))$

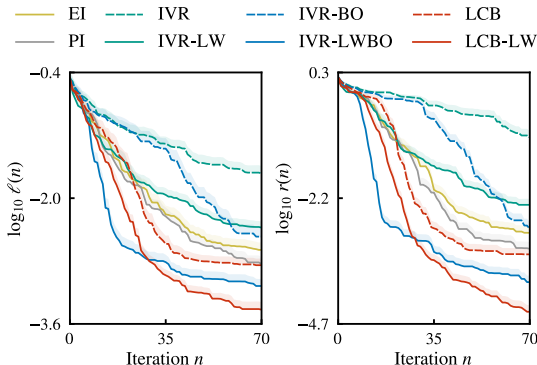
Expected Improvement $a(\mathbf{x}) = -\sigma(\mathbf{x}) [\lambda(\mathbf{x})\Phi(\lambda(\mathbf{x})) - \phi(\lambda(\mathbf{x}))]$

where $\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = (y^* - \mu(\mathbf{x}) - \xi) / \sigma(\mathbf{x})$

BO with output-weighted acquisition functions

$$\ell(n) = \min_{\mathbf{x} \in [0, n]} \|\mathbf{x}_{true} - \mathbf{x}_k^*\|^2$$

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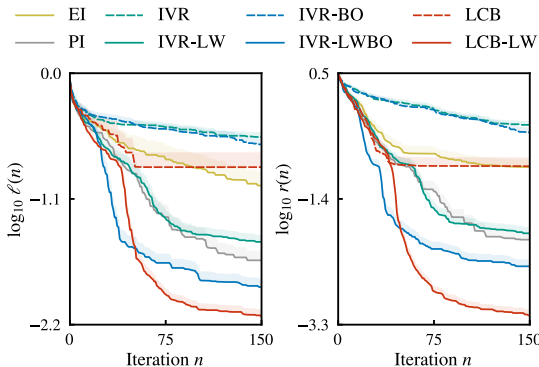
Benchmark results for 2-D Michalewicz function (distance to min and simple regret)

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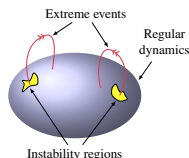
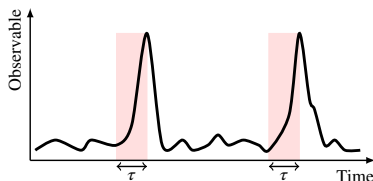
Finding extreme-event precursors by optimal sampling

For a dynamical system with flow map S_t and observable G :

- assign to each initial condition \mathbf{x}_0 a measure of dangerousness,

$$F: \mathbb{R}^d \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$
$$\mathbf{x}_0 \longmapsto \max_{t \in [0, \tau]} G(S_t(\mathbf{x}_0))$$

- use the sampling algorithm to probe the initial-condition space
- perform search in PCA space with Gaussian prior $p_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x})$

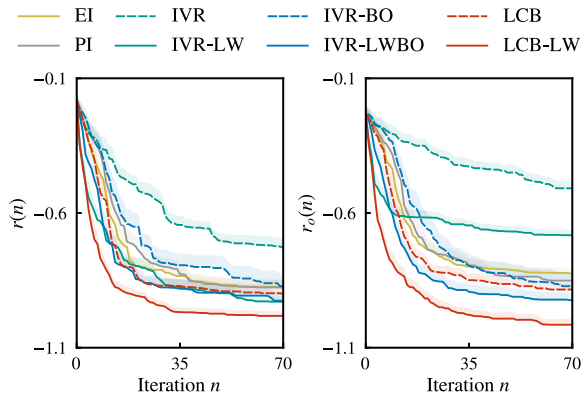
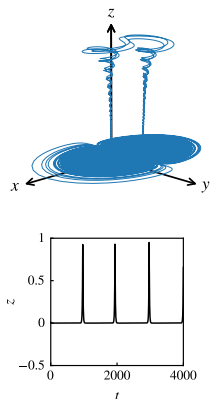


Computation of extreme-event precursors in Gaussian PCA subspace

Finding extreme-event precursors by optimal sampling

$$r(n) = \min_{k \in [0, n]} f(\mathbf{x}_k^*)$$

$$r_o(n) = \min_{y_i \in \mathcal{D}_n} y_i$$



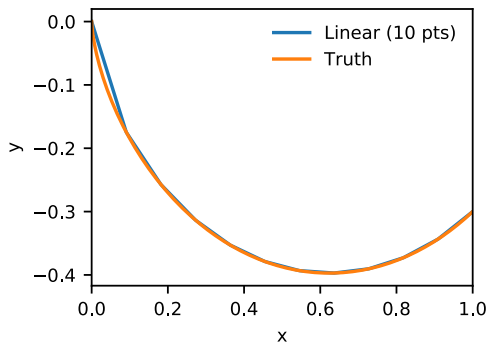
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The Brachistochrone problem

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \log(T(\mathbf{x}) - t_c)$$

$T(\mathbf{x})$ Travel time for given parametrization \mathbf{x}

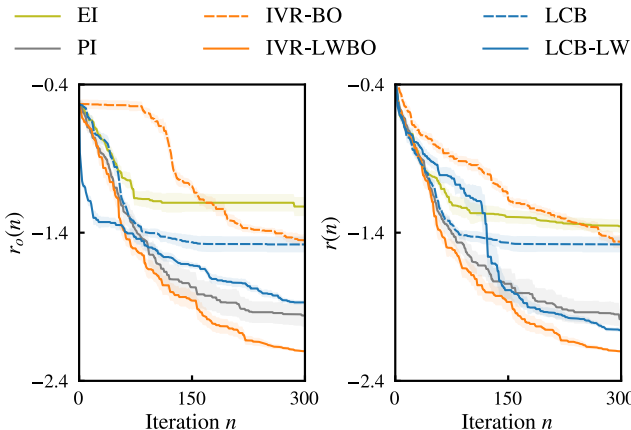
t_c Best travel time possible (cycloid)



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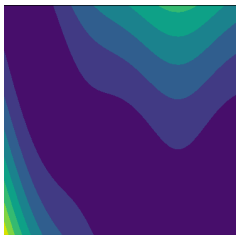
$$r(n) = \min_{k \in [0, n]} f(\mathbf{x}_k^*) - y_{true}$$



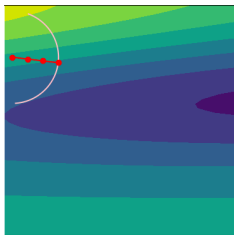
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Informative path planning for terrain exploration

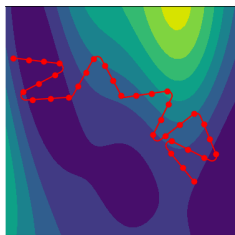
A UAV is tasked with reconstructing a terrain elevation map $f(\mathbf{x})$



The unknown terrain



First (random) iteration



After 11 iterations

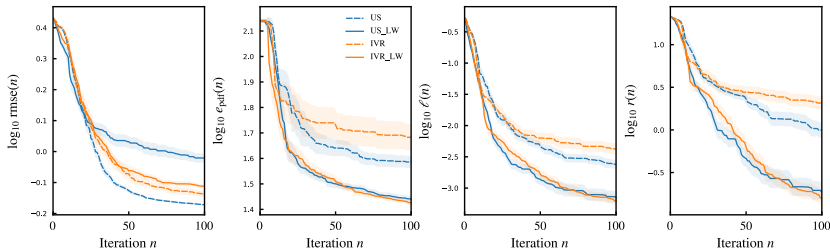
Next best destination:

$$\mathbf{x}_f^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{x}_f} \int_{S(\mathbf{x}_c, \mathbf{x}_f)} a(\mathbf{x}(s)) ds$$

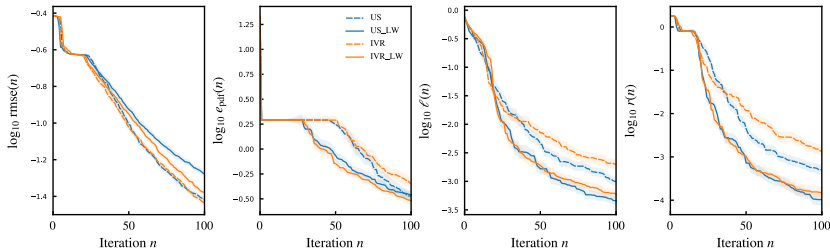
where $S(\mathbf{x}_c, \mathbf{x}_f)$ is the shortest Dubins curve from \mathbf{x}_c to candidate \mathbf{x}_f

Reconstruction of strongly anomalous terrain

The Ackley function



The Michalewicz function



US: Uncertainty sampling: $\min_x \sigma^2(x)$; US-LW: $\min_x w(x) \sigma^2(x)$;
IVR: Integrated Variance Reduction-Input Weighted (IVR-IW): $\mu_c(x)$; IVR-LW: Q -criterion.

Conclusions

- Samples based on maximum mutual information or minimum model error do not effectively take into account the contribution to the output.
- A new criterion allows for sampling of points in regions that have important influence to the output.
- The criterion can be approximated analytically so that we can apply it to high dimensional parameter spaces.
- Application to risk quantification and optimization

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