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ABOUT OUR QMC SOFTWARE COMMUNITY

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1.1 Quasi-Monte Carlo Community Software

Quasi-Monte Carlo (QMC) methods are used to approximate multivariate integrals. They have four main components: an integrand, a discrete distribution, summary output data, and stopping criterion. Information about the integrand is obtained as a sequence of values of the function sampled at the data-sites of the discrete distribution. The stopping criterion tells the algorithm when the user-specified error tolerance has been satisfied. We are developing a framework that allows collaborators in the QMC community to develop plug-and-play modules in an effort to produce more efficient and portable QMC software. Each of the above four components is an abstract class. Abstract classes specify the common properties and methods of all subclasses. The ways in which the four kinds of classes interact with each other are also specified. Subclasses then flesh out different integrands, sampling schemes, and stopping criteria. Besides providing developers a way to link their new ideas with those implemented by the rest of the QMC community, we also aim to provide practitioners with state-of-the-art QMC software for their applications.

1.1.1 Citation

If you find QMCPy helpful in your work, please support us by citing the following work:

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- *Python 3 Library of QMC Software*

1.2 Python 3 Library of QMC Software

1.2.1 QMCPy

Package of main components

- Integrand classes
- True Measure classes
- Discrete Distribution classes
- Stopping Criterion classes
- Accumulate Data classes
- Third Party contributed classes
- integrate function

1.2.2 workouts

Example uses of QMCPy package

1.2.3 test

Sets of long and short unittests

1.2.4 outputs

Logs and figures generated by workouts

1.2.5 demos

Example use of QMCPy as an independent package

1.2.6 sphinx

Automated project documentation

1.2.7 Installation

```
pip install qmcpy
```

A virtual environment is recommended for developers/contributors Ensure `.../python_prototypes/` is in your path
Install dependencies with

```
pip install requirements.txt
```

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1.3 QMCPy

1.3.1 Integrand

The function to integrate *Abstract class with concrete implementations*

- Linear: $y_i = \sum_{j=0}^{d-1} (x_{ij})$
- Keister: $y_i = \pi^{d/2} * \cos(\|x_i\|_2)$
- Asian Call
 - $S_i(t_j) = S(0)e^{(r-\frac{\sigma^2}{2})t_j + \sigma B(t_j)}$
 - discounted call payoff = $\max(\frac{1}{d} \sum_{j=0}^{d-1} S(jT/d) - K, 0)$
 - discounted put payoff = $\max(K - \frac{1}{d} \sum_{j=0}^{d-1} S(jT/d), 0)$

1.3.2 True Measure

General measure used to define the integrand *Abstract class with concrete implementations*

- Uniform: $\mathcal{U}(a, b)$
- Gaussian: $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$
- Brownian Motion: $B(t_j) = B(t_{j-1}) + Z_j \sqrt{t_j - t_{j-1}}$ for $Z_j \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$

1.3.3 Discrete Distribution

Sampling nodes iid or lds (low-discrepancy sequence) *Abstract class with concrete implementations*

- IID Standard Uniform: $x_j \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{U}(0, 1)$
- IID Standard Gaussian: $x_j \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$
- Lattice (base 2): $x_j \stackrel{lds}{\sim} \mathcal{U}(0, 1)$
- Sobol (base 2): $x_j \stackrel{lds}{\sim} \mathcal{U}(0, 1)$

1.3.4 Stopping Criterion

The stopping criterion to determine sufficient approximation *Abstract class with concrete implementations* Central Limit Theorem (CLT) $\hat{\mu}_n = \bar{Y}_n \approx \mathcal{N}(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$ $\mathbb{P}[\hat{\mu}_n - \frac{Z_{\alpha/2}\hat{\sigma}_n}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \hat{\mu}_n + \frac{Z_{\alpha/2}\hat{\sigma}_n}{\sqrt{n}}] \approx 1 - \alpha$

- CLT for $x_i \sim \text{iid}$
- CLT Repeated for $\{x_{r,i}\}_{r=1}^R \sim \text{lds}$

1.3.5 Accumulate Data Class

Stores data values of corresponding stopping criterion procedure *Abstract class with concrete implementations*

- Mean Variance Data (Controlled by CLT)
- Mean Variance Repeated Data (Controlled by CLT Repeated)

1.3.6 Integrate Method

Repeatedly samples the integrand at nodes generated by the discrete distribution and transformed to mimic the integrand's true measure until the Stopping Criterion is met *Function with arguments:*

- Integrand object
- True Measure object
- Discrete Distribution object
- Stopping Criterion object

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1.4 Tests

1.4.1 Fast unittests

Quickly check functionality Run all in < 1 second

```
python -m unittest discover -s test/fasttests
```

1.4.2 Long unittests

Call workout functions Runs all in < 10 seconds

```
python -m unittest discover -s test/longtests
```


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3.1 Integration Method

Main driver function for QMCPy.

```
qmcpy.integrate.integrate(integrand, true_measure, discrete_distrib=None, stop-  
ping_criterion=None)
```

Specify and compute integral of $f(\mathbf{x})$ for $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}$.

Parameters

- **integrand** (*Integrand*) – an object from class *Integrand*. If None (default), sum of two variables defined on unit square is used.
- **true_measure** (*TrueMeasure*) – an object from class *TrueMeasure*. If None (default), standard uniform distribution is used.
- **discrete_distrib** (*DiscreteDistribution*) – an object from class *DiscreteDistribution*. If None (default), IID standard uniform distribution is used.
- **stopping_criterion** (*StoppingCriterion*) – an object from class *StoppingCriterion*. If None (default), criterion based on central limit theorem with absolute tolerance equal to 0.01 is used.

Returns

tuple containing:

solution (*float*): estimated value of the integral

data (*AccumData*): input data and information such as number of sampling points and run time used to obtain solution

Return type *tuple*

3.2 Integrand Class

3.2.1 Asian Call Option Payoff

Definition for class *AsianCall*, a concrete implementation of *Integrand*

```
class qmcpy.integrand.asian_call.AsianCall(bm_measure, volatility=0.5, start_price=30,  
strike_price=25, interest_rate=0,  
mean_type='arithmetic')
```

Specify and generate payoff values of an Asian Call option

`__init__` (*bm_measure*, *volatility*=0.5, *start_price*=30, *strike_price*=25, *interest_rate*=0,
mean_type='arithmetic')
 Initialize AsianCall Integrand's

Parameters

- **bm_measure** (*TrueMeasure*) – A BrownianMotion Measure object
- **volatility** (*float*) – sigma, the volatility of the asset
- **start_price** (*float*) – $S(0)$, the asset value at $t=0$
- **strike_price** (*float*) – strike_price, the call/put offer
- **interest_rate** (*float*) – r , the annual interest rate
- **mean_type** (*string*) – 'arithmetic' or 'geometric' mean

g (*x*)

Original integrand to be integrated

Parameters **x** – nodes, $x_{u,i} = i^{\text{th}}$ row of an $n \cdot |u|$ matrix

Returns $n \cdot p$ matrix with values $f(x_{u,i}, c)$ where if $x'_i = (x_{i,u}, c)_j$, then $x'_{ij} = x_{ij}$ for $j \in u$,
 and $x'_{ij} = c$ otherwise

get_discounted_payoffs (*stock_path*, *dimension*)

Calculate the discounted payoff from the stock path

stock_path (ndarray): option prices at monitoring times *dimension* (int): number of dimensions

3.2.2 Keister Function

Definition for class Keister, a concrete implementation of Integrand

class qmcpy.integrand.keister.**Keister** (*dimension*)

Specify and generate values $f(x) = \pi^{d/2} \cos(\|x\|)$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

The standard example integrates the Keister integrand with respect to an IID Gaussian distribution with variance 1/2.

Reference:

B. D. Keister, Multidimensional Quadrature Algorithms, *Computers in Physics*, 10, pp. 119-122, 1996.

`__init__` (*dimension*)

Parameters **dimension** (*ndarray*) – dimension(s) of the integrand(s)

g (*x*)

Original integrand to be integrated

Parameters **x** – nodes, $x_{u,i} = i^{\text{th}}$ row of an $n \cdot |u|$ matrix

Returns $n \cdot p$ matrix with values $f(x_{u,i}, c)$ where if $x'_i = (x_{i,u}, c)_j$, then $x'_{ij} = x_{ij}$ for $j \in u$,
 and $x'_{ij} = c$ otherwise

3.2.3 A Linear Function

Definition for class Linear, a concrete implementation of Integrand

class qmcpy.integrand.linear.**Linear** (*dimension*)

Specify and generate values $f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^d x_i$ for $x = (x_1, \dots, x_d) \in \mathbb{R}^d$

`__init__` (*dimension*)

Parameters *dimension* (*ndarray*) – dimension(s) of the integrand(s)

g (*x*)

Original integrand to be integrated

Parameters *x* – nodes, $x_{u,i} = i^{\text{th}}$ row of an $n \cdot |u|$ matrix

Returns $n \cdot p$ matrix with values $f(x_{u,i}, c)$ where if $x'_i = (x_{i,u}, c)_j$, then $x'_{ij} = x_{ij}$ for $j \in u$, and $x'_{ij} = c$ otherwise

3.2.4 Quick Construct for Function

Definition for class QuickConstruct, a concrete implementation of Integrant

class qmcpy.integrant.quick_construct.**QuickConstruct** (*dimension, custom_fun*)

Specify and generate values of a user-defined function

`__init__` (*dimension, custom_fun*)

Initialize custom Integrant

Parameters

- **dimension** (*ndarray*) – dimension(s) of the integrand(s)
- **custom_fun** (*int*) – a callable univariate or multivariate Python function that returns a real number.

Note: Input of the function:

x: nodes, $x_{u,i} = i^{\text{th}}$ row of an $n \cdot |u|$ matrix

g (*x*)

Original integrand to be integrated

Parameters *x* – nodes, $x_{u,i} = i^{\text{th}}$ row of an $n \cdot |u|$ matrix

Returns $n \cdot p$ matrix with values $f(x_{u,i}, c)$ where if $x'_i = (x_{i,u}, c)_j$, then $x'_{ij} = x_{ij}$ for $j \in u$, and $x'_{ij} = c$ otherwise

3.3 Measure Class

Definitions of TrueMeasure Concrete Classes

class qmcpy.true_measure.measures.**BrownianMotion** (*dimension, time_vector=[array([0.250, 0.500, 0.750, 1.000])]*)

Brownian Motion Measure

`__init__` (*dimension, time_vector=[array([0.250, 0.500, 0.750, 1.000])]*)

Parameters

- **dimension** (*ndarray*) – dimension's' of the integrand's'
- **time_vector** (*list of ndarrays*) – monitoring times for the Integrant's'

class qmcpy.true_measure.measures.**Gaussian** (*dimension, mean=0, variance=1*)

Gaussian (Normal) Measure

```
__init__(dimension, mean=0, variance=1)
```

Parameters

- **dimension** (*ndarray*) – dimension's' of the integrand's'
- **mean** (*float*) – mu for Normal(mu,sigma^2)
- **variance** (*float*) – sigma^2 for Normal(mu,sigma^2)

```
class qmcpy.true_measure.measures.Lebesgue(dimension, lower_bound=0.0, up-  
per_bound=1)
```

Lebesgue Uniform Measure

```
__init__(dimension, lower_bound=0.0, upper_bound=1)
```

Parameters **dimension** (*ndarray*) – dimension's' of the integrand's'

```
class qmcpy.true_measure.measures.Uniform(dimension, lower_bound=0.0, up-  
per_bound=1.0)
```

Uniform Measure

```
__init__(dimension, lower_bound=0.0, upper_bound=1.0)
```

Parameters

- **dimension** (*ndarray*) – dimension's' of the integrand's'
- **lower_bound** (*float*) – a for Uniform(a,b)
- **upper_bound** (*float*) – b for Uniform(a,b)

3.4 Discrete Distribution Class

This module implements mutple subclasses of DiscreteDistribution.

```
class qmcpy.discrete_distribution.iid_generators.IIDStdGaussian(rng_seed=None)  
Standard Gaussian
```

```
__init__(rng_seed=None)
```

Parameters **rng_seed** (*int*) – seed the random number generator for reproducibility

```
gen_dd_samples(replications, n_samples, dimensions)
```

Generate r nxd IID Standard Gaussian samples

Parameters

- **replications** (*int*) – Number of nxd matrices to generate (sample.size()[0])
- **n_samples** (*int*) – Number of observations (sample.size()[1])
- **dimensions** (*int*) – Number of dimensions (sample.size()[2])

Returns replications x n_samples x dimensions (numpy array)

```
class qmcpy.discrete_distribution.iid_generators.IIDStdUniform(rng_seed=None)  
IID Standard Uniform
```

```
__init__(rng_seed=None)
```

Parameters **rng_seed** (*int*) – seed the random number generator for reproducibility

```
gen_dd_samples(replications, n_samples, dimensions)
```

Generate r nxd IID Standard Uniform samples

Parameters

- **replications** (*int*) – Number of nxd matrices to generate (sample.size()[0])
- **n_samples** (*int*) – Number of observations (sample.size()[1])
- **dimensions** (*int*) – Number of dimensions (sample.size()[2])

Returns replications x n_samples x dimensions (numpy array)

This module implements mutiple subclasses of DiscreteDistribution.

class qmcpy.discrete_distribution.lds_generators.**Lattice** (*rng_seed=None*)
 Quasi-Random Lattice low discrepancy sequence (Base 2)

__init__ (*rng_seed=None*)

Parameters **rng_seed** (*int*) – seed the random number generator for reproducibility

gen_dd_samples (*replications, n_samples, dimensions, scramble=True*)
 Generate r nxd Lattice samples

Parameters

- **replications** (*int*) – Number of nxd matrices to generate (sample.size()[0])
- **n_samples** (*int*) – Number of observations (sample.size()[1])
- **dimensions** (*int*) – Number of dimensions (sample.size()[2])
- **scramble** (*bool*) – If true, random numbers are in unit cube, otherwise they are non-negative integers

Returns replications x n_samples x dimensions (numpy array)

class qmcpy.discrete_distribution.lds_generators.**Sobol** (*rng_seed=None, backend='Pytorch'*)
 Quasi-Random Sobol low discrepancy sequence (Base 2)

__init__ (*rng_seed=None, backend='Pytorch'*)

Parameters **rng_seed** (*int*) – seed the random number generator for reproducibility

gen_dd_samples (*replications, n_samples, dimensions, scramble=True*)
 Generate r nxd Sobol samples

Parameters

- **replications** (*int*) – Number of nxd matrices to generate (sample.size()[0])
- **n_samples** (*int*) – Number of observations (sample.size()[1])
- **dimensions** (*int*) – Number of dimensions (sample.size()[2])
- **scramble** (*bool*) – If true, random numbers are in unit cube, otherwise they are non-negative integers

Returns replications x n_samples x dimensions (numpy array)

qmcpy.discrete_distribution.lds_generators.**randint** (*low, high=None, size=None, dtype='l'*)

Return random integers from *low* (inclusive) to *high* (exclusive).

Return random integers from the “discrete uniform” distribution of the specified dtype in the “half-open” interval [*low*, *high*). If *high* is None (the default), then results are from [0, *low*).

low [int or array-like of ints] Lowest (signed) integers to be drawn from the distribution (unless *high*=None, in which case this parameter is one above the *highest* such integer).

high [int or array-like of ints, optional] If provided, one above the largest (signed) integer to be drawn from the distribution (see above for behavior if `high=None`). If array-like, must contain integer values

size [int or tuple of ints, optional] Output shape. If the given shape is, e.g., (m, n, k) , then $m * n * k$ samples are drawn. Default is `None`, in which case a single value is returned.

dtype [dtype, optional] Desired dtype of the result. All dtypes are determined by their name, i.e., `'int64'`, `'int'`, etc, so byteorder is not available and a specific precision may have different C types depending on the platform. The default value is `'np.int'`.

New in version 1.11.0.

out [int or ndarray of ints] *size*-shaped array of random integers from the appropriate distribution, or a single such random int if *size* not provided.

random.random_integers [similar to *randint*, only for the closed] interval [*low*, *high*], and 1 is the lowest value if *high* is omitted.

```
>>> np.random.randint(2, size=10)
array([1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0]) # random
>>> np.random.randint(1, size=10)
array([0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0])
```

Generate a 2 x 4 array of ints between 0 and 4, inclusive:

```
>>> np.random.randint(5, size=(2, 4))
array([[4, 0, 2, 1], # random
       [3, 2, 2, 0]])
```

Generate a 1 x 3 array with 3 different upper bounds

```
>>> np.random.randint(1, [3, 5, 10])
array([2, 2, 9]) # random
```

Generate a 1 by 3 array with 3 different lower bounds

```
>>> np.random.randint([1, 5, 7], 10)
array([9, 8, 7]) # random
```

Generate a 2 by 4 array using broadcasting with dtype of uint8

```
>>> np.random.randint([1, 3, 5, 7], [[10], [20]], dtype=np.uint8)
array([[ 8,  6,  9,  7], # random
       [ 1, 16,  9, 12]], dtype=uint8)
```

3.5 Data Class

Definition of `MeanVarData`, a concrete implementation of `AccumData`

class `qmcpy.accum_data.mean_var_data.MeanVarData` (*levels*, *n_init*)

Accumulated data for IIDDistribution calculations, and store the sample mean and variance of integrand values

__init__ (*levels*, *n_init*)

Initialize data instance

Parameters

- **levels** (*int*) – number of integrands
- **n_init** (*int*) – initial number of samples

update_data (*integrand, true_measure*)

Update data

Parameters

- **integrand** (*Integrand*) – an instance of *Integrand*
- **true_measure** (*TrueMeasure*) – an instance of *TrueMeasure*

Returns None

Definition for *MeanVarDataRep*, a concrete implementation of *AccumData*

class qmcpy.accum_data.mean_var_data_rep.**MeanVarDataRep** (*levels, n_init, replications*)
Accumulated data Repeated Central Limit Stopping Criterion (CLTRep) calculations.

__init__ (*levels, n_init, replications*)

Initialize data instance

Parameters

- **levels** (*int*) – number of integrands
- **n_init** (*int*) – initial number of samples
- **replications** (*int*) – number of random nxm matrices to generate

update_data (*integrand, true_measure*)

Update data

Parameters

- **integrand** (*Integrand*) – an instance of *Integrand*
- **true_measure** (*TrueMeasure*) – an instance of *TrueMeasure*

Returns None

3.6 Stopping Criterion Class

Definition for CLT, a concrete implementation of *StoppingCriterion*

class qmcpy.stopping_criterion.clt.**CLT** (*discrete_distrib, true_measure, inflate=1.2, alpha=0.01, abs_tol=0.01, rel_tol=0, n_init=1024, n_max=10000000000.0*)

Stopping criterion based on the Central Limit Theorem (CLT)

__init__ (*discrete_distrib, true_measure, inflate=1.2, alpha=0.01, abs_tol=0.01, rel_tol=0, n_init=1024, n_max=10000000000.0*)

Parameters

- **discrete_distrib** –
- **true_measure** – an instance of *DiscreteDistribution*
- **inflate** – inflation factor when estimating variance
- **alpha** – significance level for confidence interval
- **abs_tol** – absolute error tolerance

- **rel_tol** – relative error tolerance
- **n_max** – maximum number of samples

stop_yet ()

Determine when to stop

Definition for CLTRep, a concrete implementation of StoppingCriterion

```
class qmcipy.stopping_criterion.clt_rep.CLTRep(discrete_distrib, true_measure, repli-
                                             cations=16, inflate=1.2, alpha=0.01,
                                             abs_tol=0.01, rel_tol=0, n_init=32,
                                             n_max=1073741824)
```

Stopping criterion based on $\text{var}(\text{stream_1_estimate}, \dots, \text{stream_16_estimate}) < \text{errorTol}$

```
__init__(discrete_distrib, true_measure, replications=16, inflate=1.2, alpha=0.01, abs_tol=0.01,
          rel_tol=0, n_init=32, n_max=1073741824)
```

Parameters

- **discrete_distrib** –
- **true_measure** (*DiscreteDistribution*) – an instance of DiscreteDistribution
- **replications** (*int*) – number of random nxm matrices to generate
- **inflate** (*float*) – inflation factor when estimating variance
- **alpha** (*float*) – significance level for confidence interval
- **abs_tol** (*float*) – absolute error tolerance
- **rel_tol** (*float*) – relative error tolerance
- **n_max** (*int*) – maximum number of samples

stop_yet ()

Determine when to stop

3.7 Utilities

Meta-data and public utilities for qmcipy

Exceptions and Warnings thrown by qmcipy

```
exception qmcipy._util._exceptions_warnings.DimensionError
```

Class for raising error about dimension

```
exception qmcipy._util._exceptions_warnings.DistributionCompatibilityError
```

Class for raising error about incompatible distribution

```
exception qmcipy._util._exceptions_warnings.DistributionGenerationError
```

Class for raising error about parameter inputs to `gen_dd_samples` (method of a DiscreteDistribution)

```
exception qmcipy._util._exceptions_warnings.DistributionGenerationWarnings
```

Class for issuing warnings about parameter inputs to `gen_dd_samples` (method of a DiscreteDistribution)

```
exception qmcipy._util._exceptions_warnings.MaxSamplesWarning
```

Class for issuing warning about using maximum number of data samples

```
exception qmcipy._util._exceptions_warnings.MeasureCompatibilityError
```

Class for raising error of incompatible measures

exception qmcpy._util._exceptions_warnings.**NotYetImplemented**
Class for raising error when a component has been implemented yet

exception qmcpy._util._exceptions_warnings.**ParameterError**
Class for raising error about input parameters

exception qmcpy._util._exceptions_warnings.**ParameterWarning**
Class for issuing warnings about unacceptable parameters

exception qmcpy._util._exceptions_warnings.**TransformError**
Class for raising error about transforming function to accommodate distribution

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