

Exercise Session (MPI) – MonteCarlo method

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Goal

- Implement a **parallel function** to approximate definite integrals on limited intervals $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}$.

- **Prototype:**

```
std::pair<double, double>  
montecarlo (const std::function<double (double)>& f,  
            unsigned long N);
```

- **Assumptions:**

- N is known only on the master node
- $\Omega = [-1, 1]$

MonteCarlo method

- Recalls N observation from the random variable $X \sim U(\Omega)$
- Estimates the integral with

$$Q_N = |\Omega| \bar{Y}_N$$

where $Y = f(X)$ and $|\Omega|$ is the measure of Ω .

- By the law of large numbers,

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} Q_N = I = \int_{\Omega} f(x) dx$$

- Variance of the quadrature formula:

$$\text{Var}(Q_N) = \frac{|\Omega|^2}{N} \sigma^2$$

where $\sigma^2 = \text{Var}(Y)$, which can be estimated through S_N^2 .