#### **Inter-Disciplinary Project**

# Estimation of Probability Density Functions and Graphical Models Using Regularized Sparse Grids

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# **Density Estimation**

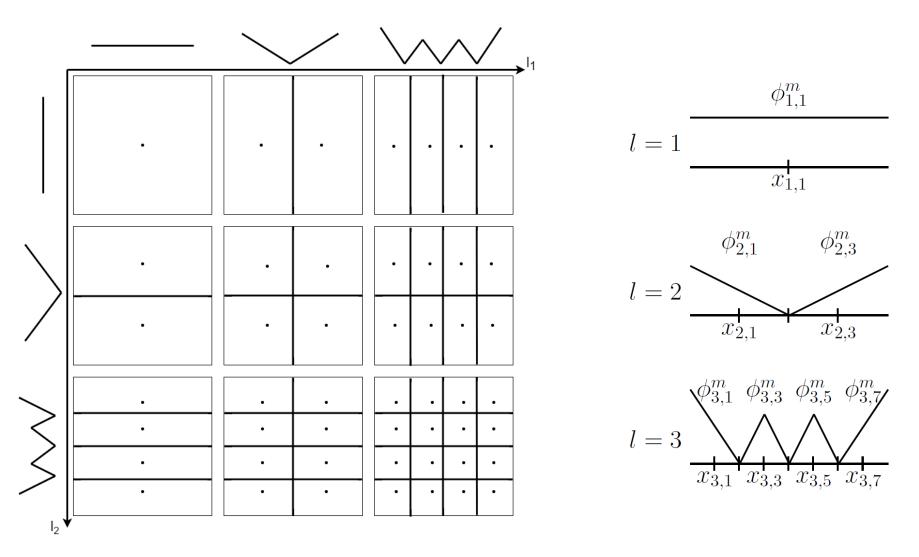
 $D = \{x_1, x_2, ..., x_M\}, \quad \text{where } x_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$  drawn from a distribution with probability density function p(X).

Estimate  $\hat{p}$  of the probability density function p based on the dataset D.

- ☐ Parametric Density Estimation
- ☐ Non-parametric Density Estimation
  - Kernel Density Estimation (KDE)

Data centric density estimation faces curse of dimensionality

### Sparse Grids with Modified Linear Basis



**Source**: Benjamin Peherstorfer. Model Order Reduction of Parametrized Systems with Sparse Grid Learning Techniques. October 2013.

## Analysis of Variance (ANOVA)

Decomposition of d-dimensional function h

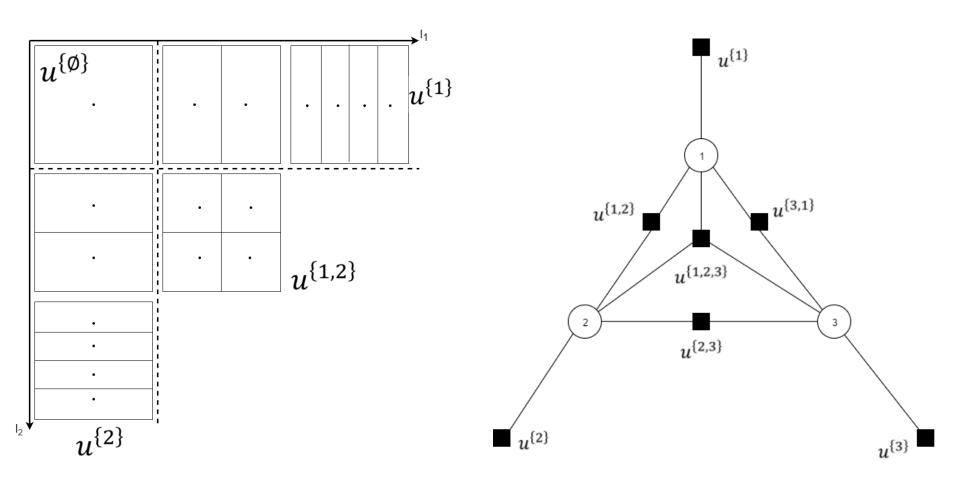
$$h(x_1, \dots, x_d) = h_0 + \sum_{j_1}^d h_{j_1}(x_{j_1}) + \sum_{j_1 < j_2}^d h_{j_1, j_2}(x_{j_1}, x_{j_2})$$

$$+ \sum_{j_1 < j_2 < j_2}^d h_{j_1, j_2, j_3}(x_{j_1}, x_{j_2}, x_{j_3}) + \dots + h_{j_1, \dots, j_d}(x_{j_1}, \dots, x_{j_d}))$$

Decomposition of sparse grid function space with respect to hierarchical subspace

$$v_l = u^{\{\emptyset\}} \bigoplus_{i=1}^d u^{\{i\}} \bigoplus_{i=1}^d \bigoplus_{i < j} u^{\{i,j\}} \cdots$$

# ANOVA and Factor Graph



# Density Estimation using Sparse Grids

$$\tilde{p} = \arg\min_{f \in V} \int_{\Omega} (f(x) - p_{\epsilon}(x))^2 dx + \lambda ||\Lambda f||_{L^2}^2$$

where f belongs to an exponential family.

$$\tilde{p}(x) = \frac{exp(u(x))}{\int exp(u(z))dz}dx$$

$$u(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{N} \alpha_j \phi_j(x)$$

*N*: Number of Grid Points

 $\alpha$ : Coefficients

 $\phi(x)$ : Basis functions

# Density Estimation using Sparse Grids

$$A\alpha^{i+1} = E_{empir} - \Phi(\alpha^i)$$

$$E_{empir} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \phi_k(x_i) \qquad (A)_{k,j} = a(\phi_k, \phi_j) = \lambda \int \nabla \phi_k(x) \nabla \phi_j(x) dx$$

$$\Phi(\alpha^i) = \int \phi_k(x) \, \widetilde{p}(x) dx$$

while 
$$||A\alpha^{i+1} - E_{empir} + \Phi(\alpha^{i+1})|| > \epsilon$$
 and  $i < i_{max}$  do  
Solve  $A\widetilde{\alpha} = E_{empir} - \Phi(\alpha^{i})$   
 $\alpha^{i+1} = \alpha^{i} + \omega \widetilde{\alpha}$   
Compute  $\Phi(\alpha^{i+1})$   
end

### Density Estimation using Sparse Grids

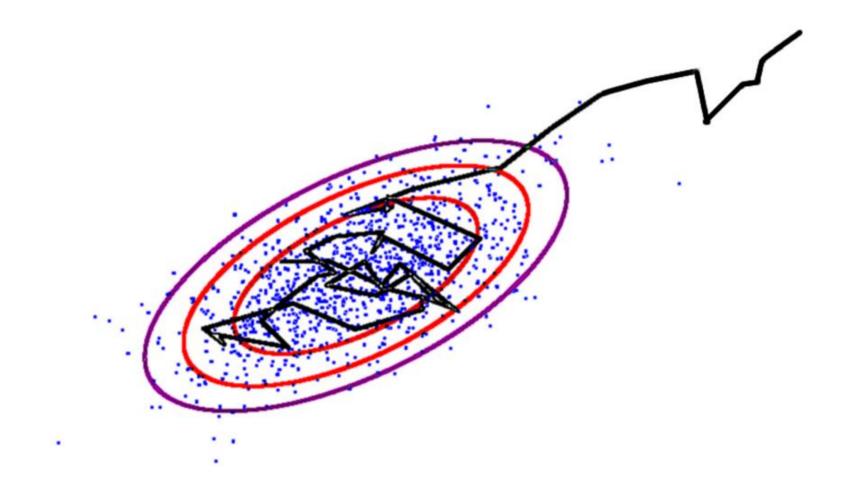
#### **Computing the Expected Value**

$$\Phi(\alpha^{i}) = \int \phi_{k}(x) \frac{exp(\sum_{j=1}^{N} \alpha_{j}^{i} \phi_{j}(x))}{\int exp(\sum_{j=1}^{N} \alpha_{j}^{i} \phi_{j}(z)) dz} dx$$

$$E[\phi_k(x)] = \int \phi_k(x) \ \tilde{p}(x) \ dx$$

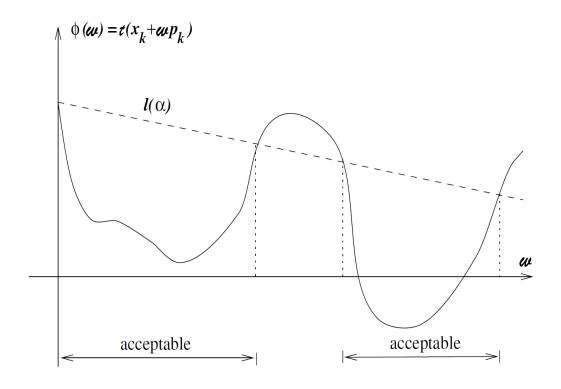
- ✓ Monte Carlo Integration
- ✓ Markov Chain Monte Carlo

### Markov Chain Monte Carlo



### Performance Improvement Strategies

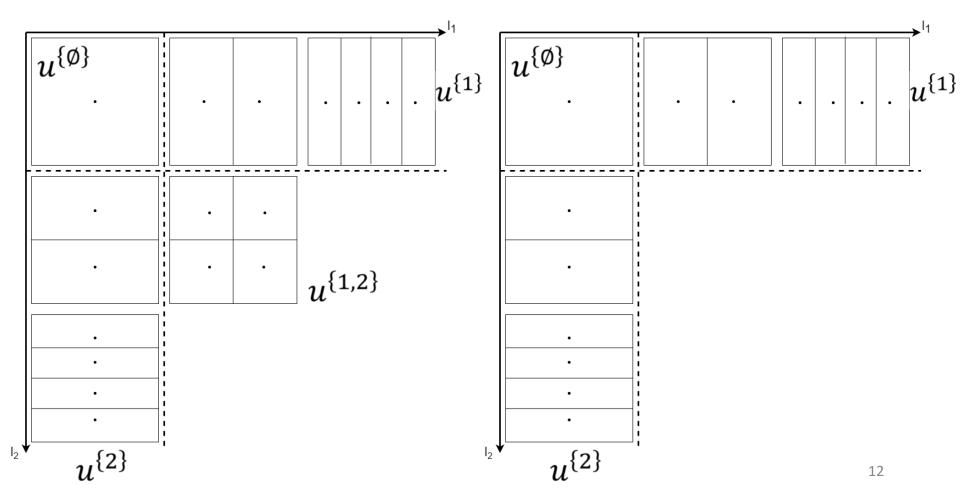
Dynamic Learning Rate using Armijo Line Search with pseudo likelihood



#### **Grid Coarsening**

✓ Mean coefficient/volume thresholding

if mean of |alphas of factor|  $< \alpha_{threshold}$  then add factor to delete list

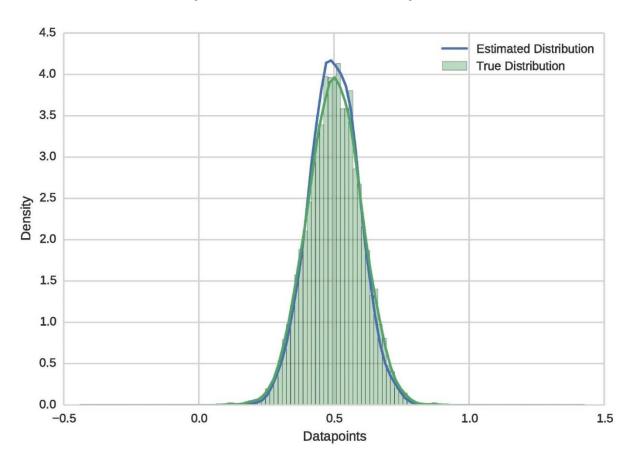


# Algorithm

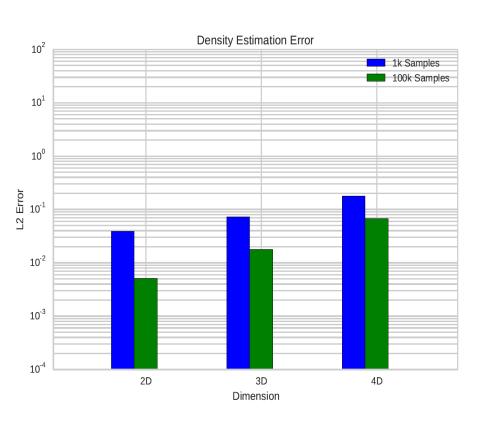
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while ||\nabla L|| > \epsilon and i < i_{max} do
        Solve A\widetilde{\alpha} = E_{empir} - \Phi(\alpha^i) - A\alpha^i
        Choose \omega using Armijo line search
        \alpha^{i+1} = \alpha^i + \omega \tilde{\alpha}
        Compute \Phi(\alpha^{i+1})
        Compute \nabla L = E_{empir} - \Phi(\alpha^{i+1}) - A\alpha^{i+1}
        grid, \alpha = grid\_coarsening(grid, \alpha, factor graph)
        if grid updated then
           Compute A, E_{empir}, \Phi(\alpha^i) and \nabla L
end
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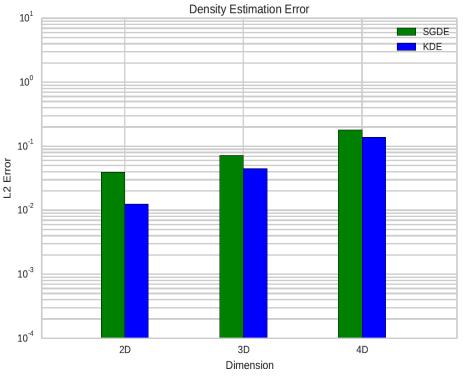
Datasets are sampled in each dimension independently from normal distribution with mean 0.5 and standard deviation 0.1.

KS 2-sample test returned a p-value > 70%



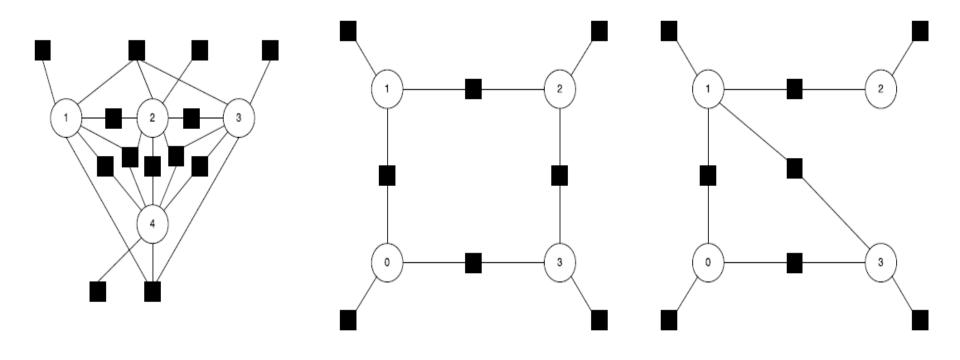
$$\frac{1}{M} \sqrt{\sum_{x \in D} (p(x) - \hat{p}(x))^2}$$





(a) Initial Structure

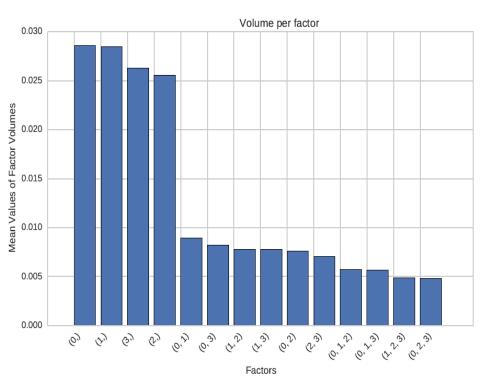
Datasets are sampled based on a particular structure, defined in terms of dependencies of the variables.

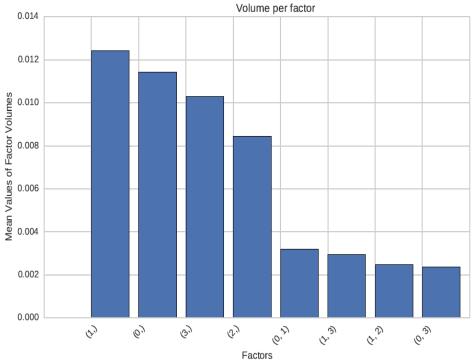


(b) Actual Structure

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(c) Predicted Structure





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