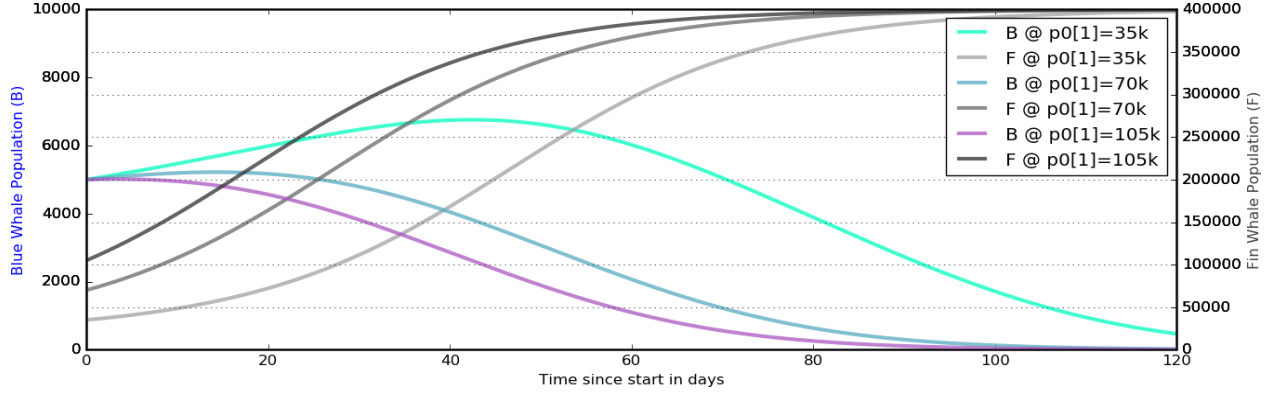
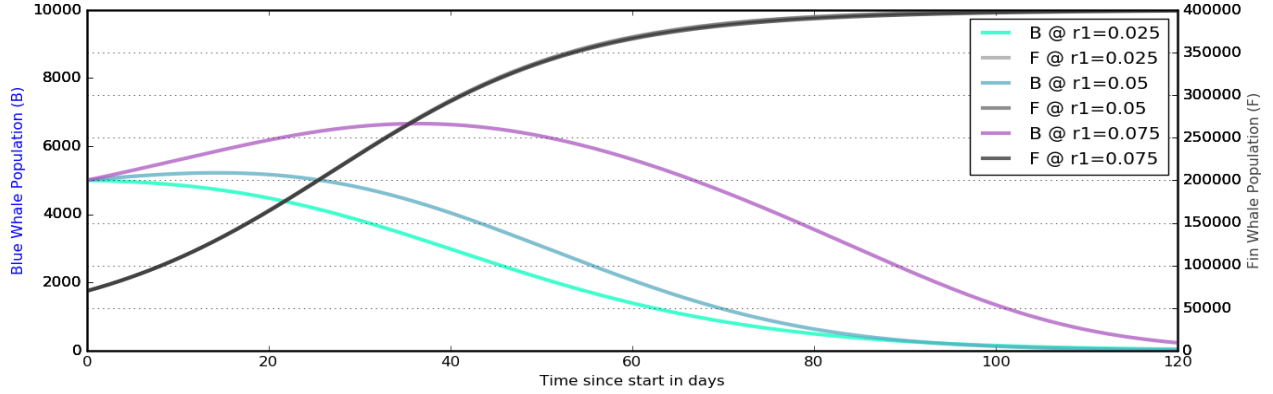


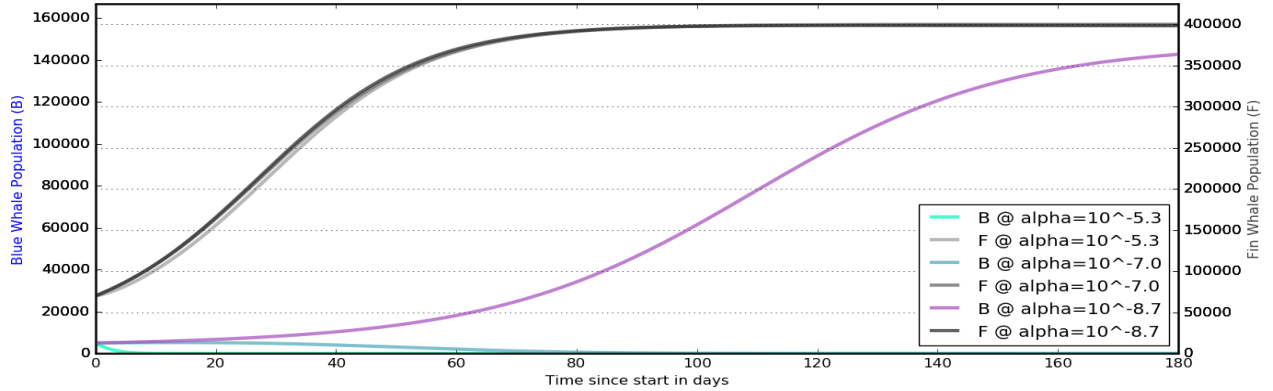
(a) With respect to initial Blue whale population  $\pm 50\%$ . All critical points and some convergences occur in 120 days.



(b) With respect to initial Fin whale population  $\pm 50\%$ . All critical points and some convergences occur in 120 days.



(c) With respect to  $r_1 \pm 50\%$ . All critical points and some convergences occur in 120 days.



(d) With respect to  $\alpha \pm 25\%$  in  $\log_{10}$  scale. All critical points and some convergences occur in 180 days.

Figure 10: Sensitivity analysis with respect to initial whale populations and other parameters on the dynamical system from the second model.

space  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2 = [-1, 1] \times [-1, 1]$  as

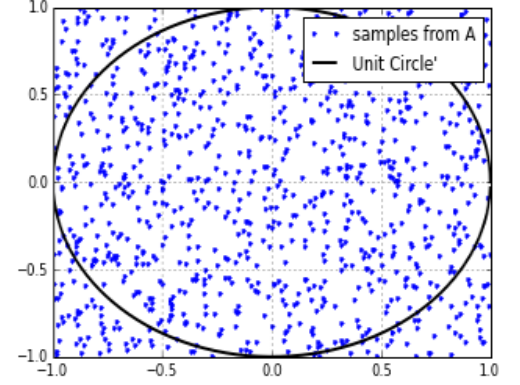
$$\begin{aligned} A &= |\Pi_{i=1}^n \arg \max_{x \in \Omega} (x[i]) - \arg \min_{x \in \Omega} (x[i])| \\ &= (1 - (-1)) \times (1 - (-1)) = 4 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the probabilistic problem we must solve is  $4 \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N f(\vec{x}_i)$  for  $N$  samples of  $\vec{x}$ . With a pseudo-random number generator and a given  $N$ , this is no more than a problem of summing a map of  $N$  generated numbers.

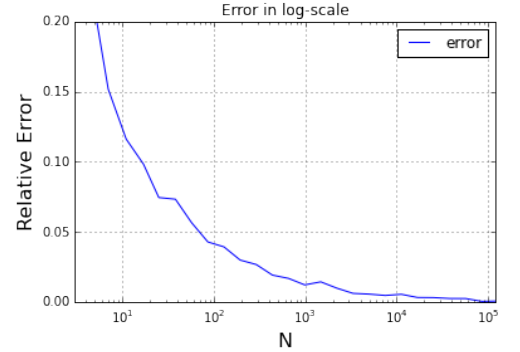
We calculate the error in our approximation using the Central Limit Theorem [4]. Let  $I$  denote the true integral  $I$  and  $S_n = A \sum_{i=1}^N f(\vec{x}_i) = \sum_{i=1}^N A f(\vec{x}_i)$ . Note that  $\sigma$ , the standard deviation of the integral, is a constant whose value won't vary. With respect to how many standard deviations it is from the true value [3, p.77],  $\sigma \times \epsilon$ ,  $\epsilon \in \mathbb{Q}$  and positive, the error for the approximation  $I_n$  can be calculated probabilistically:

$$\begin{aligned} P(|\frac{S_n - N\mu}{\sqrt{N\sigma^2}}| \leq \epsilon) \\ &= P(|\frac{(\frac{N}{A} \times I_n) - N(I)}{N}| \leq \frac{\epsilon \times \sigma}{\sqrt{N}}) \\ &= P(|I_n - I| \leq \frac{\epsilon \times \sigma}{\sqrt{N}}) \end{aligned}$$

We can thus say that, for a certain number of standard deviations from the true integral, the estimate  $I_n$  converges within it with a probability of  $P(\chi \leq \epsilon)$ . Typically, in applications,  $\sigma$  is taken to just be 1 [5, p.398], but should still be considered an important factor due to the probabilistic nature of the Monte Carlo Method. Similarly, for error-analysis, we say that the Monte Carlo Integration method converges to an error inversely-proportional to the square-root of  $N$ , such that the error  $\approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}$ , which lacks the  $\sigma$  to signify how the error is assumed to scale with the variability of the problem.



(A) A graphical representation of the integration process for a sample of 100 points. The ratio of points inside the circle and points outside is approximately  $\pi$



(B) How the error of the approximation decreases as  $N$  increases

FIGURE 1. Monte Carlo Integration for a pseudo-random number generator, integrating the unit circle

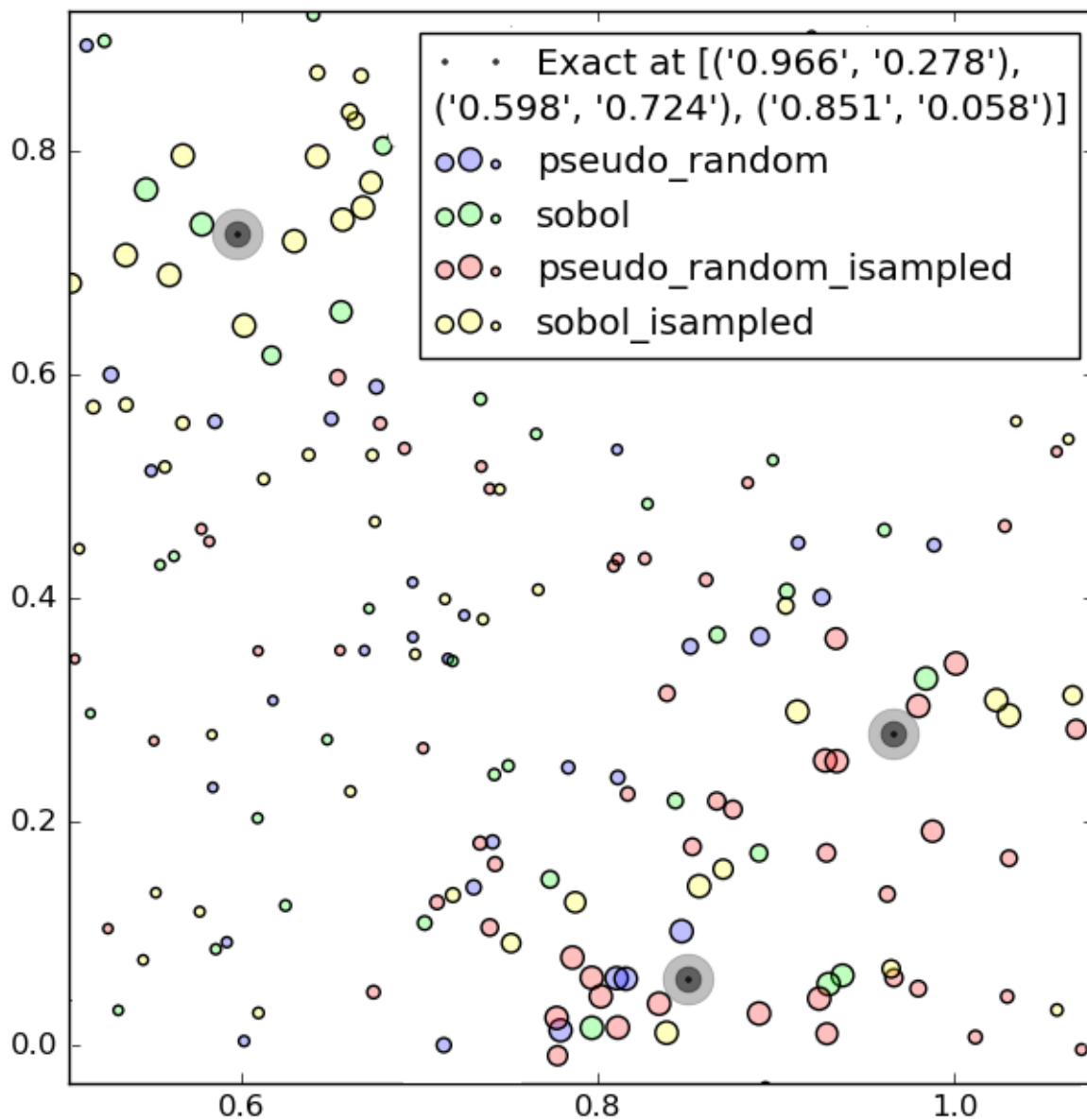


Figure 3: Demonstration of how the four uninformed global optimization algorithms perform for a fixed number of samples. Samples taken from 0 to 1 on both axes for three optima in random points, all equally.