# Hierarchical-block conditioning approximations for high-dimensional multivariate normal probabilities

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Introduction

#### Introduction

The computation of the multivariate normal (MVN) probability

$$\Phi_n(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}; 0, \mathbf{\Sigma}) = \int_a^b \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n |\mathbf{\Sigma}|}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1} \mathbf{x}\right) d\mathbf{x}, \quad (1)$$

where  $\bf a$  and  $\bf b$  are integration limits, the mean vector  $\mu$  is assumed to be 0,  $\bf \Sigma$  is a positive-definite covariance matrix, is required for a variety of applications.

- Various methods to compute MVN probability are suggested such as Richtmyer Quasi-Monte Carlo(QMC) (Genz and Bretz, 2009)
- However, In high-dimensional settings (large n), it is hard to compute (1) directly.
- We review new approaches proposed by Cao et al. (2019) to approximate high-dimensional multivariate normal probability (1) using the hierarchical matrix  $\mathcal{H}$  (Hackbusch, 2015) for the covariance matrix  $\Sigma$ .

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#### **Key Ideas**

#### The methods are based on the concepts of

- 1. The bivariate conditioning method (Trinh and Genz, 2015)
  - LDL decomposition and truncated expectations
  - Generalized to d-dimensioned-case
- 2. The hierarchical QMC method (Genton et al., 2018)
  - Hierarchical cholseky decomposition: efficient and fast computation
  - QMC: beneficial on computation complexity and memory management
- 3. Reordering (Trinh and Genz, 2015)
  - Univariate reordering (Trinh and Genz, 2015)
  - Generalized the upper case to blockwise reordering

**Multidimensional Conditioning** 

**Approximations** 

- Monte Carlo Error bound :  $O(N^{-1/2})$  for monte carlo(MC) method
- Genz and Bretz (2009) claimed independent sample points is the reason of slow convergence.
- Via employing low discrepancy sets for sequence, QMC is asymptotically efficient than MC.
- With  $\Delta \sim U[0,1]^n$ ,

$$L_N = \{ \mathbf{z} + \mathbf{\Delta} \mod 1 : \mathbf{z} \in K_N \}$$
  
 $K_N = \{ i\mathbf{q} \mod 1, i = 1, \cdots, N \}$ 

where  $\mathbf{q} = \sqrt{\mathbf{p}}$  and  $\mathbf{p}$  is set of prime numbers.

 Since square root of prime numbers is irrational and linear independent over the rational numbers,

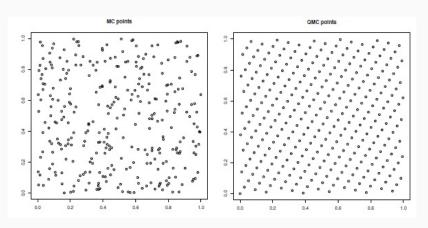


Figure 1: Comparison of MC and QMC sample points(Genz and Bretz, 2009)

$$\begin{split} \Phi_n(\mathbf{a} \leq \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{b}; \pmb{\Sigma}) &= \Phi_n(\mathbf{a} \leq \mathbf{L} \mathbf{y} \leq \mathbf{b}; I_n) \\ &= \int_{a_1 \leq l_{11} y_1 \leq b_1}^{b_1} \phi(y_1) \cdots \int_{a_n \leq l_n^t y \leq b_n}^{b_1} \phi(y_n) d\mathbf{y} \\ &= \int_{\tilde{a}_1}^{\tilde{b}_1} \phi(y_1) \int_{\tilde{a}_2(y_1)}^{\tilde{b}_2(y_1)} \phi(y_2) \cdots \int_{\tilde{a}_n(y_1, \cdots, y_{n-1})}^{\tilde{b}_n(y_1, \cdots, y_{n-1})} \phi(y_n) d\mathbf{y} \\ &\text{with } \tilde{a}_i(y_1, \cdots, y_{i-1}) = \frac{a_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} l_{ij} y_j}{l_{ii}} \\ &\text{and } (\tilde{b}_i(y_1, \cdots, y_{i-1})) = \frac{b_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} l_{ij} y_j}{l_{ii}} \\ &= \int_{\Phi(\tilde{a}_1)}^{\Phi(\tilde{b}_1)} \int_{\Phi(\tilde{a}_2(\Phi^{-1}(z_1)))}^{\Phi(\tilde{b}_2(\Phi^{-1}(z_1)))} \cdots \int_{\Phi(\tilde{a}_n(\Phi^{-1}(z_1), \cdots, \Phi^{-1}(z_{n-1})))}^{\Phi(\tilde{b}_n(\Phi^{-1}(z_1), \cdots, \Phi^{-1}(z_{n-1})))} d\mathbf{z}(y_i = \Phi^{-1}(z_i)) \\ &= (e_1 - d_1) \int_0^1 (e_2(w_1) - d_2(w_1)) \cdots \\ &\int_0^1 (e_n(w_1, \cdots, w_{n-1}) - d_n(w_1, \cdots, w_{n-1})) \int_0^1 d\mathbf{w} \\ &\text{with } z_i = d_i + (e_i - d_i) w_i \end{split}$$

```
procedure MVN(\mu, \Sigma, a, b, ns, N)
            L = \text{cholesky}(\Sigma)
            a = a - \mu; b = b - \mu
          T = 0, N = 0, V = 0
           \mathbf{p} = \text{vector of primes less than } \frac{5n \log n + 1}{4}; \mathbf{q} = \sqrt{\mathbf{p}}
 6:
7:
8:
9:
            P = 1_{ns}
            ans = 0
            for i = 1, \dots, ns do
               I_{i} = 0, \Delta \sim U(0, 1)^{n}
10:
            for j = 1, \dots, N do
11:
                 X[1:n, i] = (i+1)q + \Delta
12:
                 X[1:n,j] = 2|X[1:n,j] - floor(X[1:n,j])| - 1
13:
               end for
14:
               sample = O_{n,N}
15:
               s, c, d, dc, P = 0_M
16:
               for j = 1, \dots, n do
17:
                   if i > 1 then
18:
                       c = \min(1, c + X[j - 1, :] \odot dc)

sample[i - 1, 1 : N] = \Phi^{-1}(c)
19:
20:
                       s = \text{sample}[1: i-1, 1: M^T L[1: i-1, i]]
21:
                   end if
22:
                   \mathbf{P} * = \Phi(\frac{b-s}{L[i,i]}) - \Phi(\frac{a-s}{L[i,i]})
23:
               end for
24:
25:
               ans+ = mean(P)
            end for
26:
            return ans / ns
27:
        end procedure
```

Algorithm 1: Multivariate Normal Probability with Quasi Monte Carlo Method

- Mendell and Elston (1974), Kamakura (1989), and Trinh and Genz (2015) exploit Cholesky factors from LDL decomposition rather than dealing with original covariance matrix.
- Biviarate example is follow:

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{1,1} & \boldsymbol{R}^T \\ \boldsymbol{R} & \boldsymbol{\hat{\Sigma}} \end{pmatrix} \text{, with } \boldsymbol{L} = \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{I}_2 & \boldsymbol{O} \\ 1: \boldsymbol{M} & \boldsymbol{L} \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \boldsymbol{D} = \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{D}_1 & \boldsymbol{O} \\ \boldsymbol{O} & \boldsymbol{\widehat{D}}, \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\Sigma_{1,1}$ ,  $\mathbf{D}_1$  is a 2 × 2 matrix.

 $\bullet \ \ \mathsf{From} \ \mathsf{D}_1 = \pmb{\Sigma}_{1,1}, \ \mathsf{M} = \mathsf{R} \mathsf{D}_1^{-1}, \ \widehat{\mathsf{D}} = \hat{\pmb{\Sigma}} - \mathsf{M} \mathsf{D}_1 \mathsf{M}^{\mathcal{T}}$ 

$$\Phi_{n}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}; \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{\Sigma}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\mathbf{D}|(2\pi)^{n}}} \int_{\alpha_{1}}^{\beta_{1}} \int_{\alpha_{2}}^{\beta_{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}_{2}^{T} \mathbf{D}_{1}^{-1} \mathbf{x}_{2}} \\
\cdots \int_{\alpha_{2k-1}}^{\beta_{2k-1}} \int_{\alpha_{2k}}^{\beta_{2k}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}_{2k}^{T} \mathbf{D}_{1}^{-1} \mathbf{x}_{2k}}$$
(3)

Cao et al. (2019) generalizes bivariate method of Trinh and Genz (2015) to d-dimensional. The details are Algorithms 2

```
1: procedure LDL(Σ)
 2: L \leftarrow I_m, D \leftarrow O_m
 3. for i = 1 \cdot d \cdot m - d + 1 do
 4.
           D[i:i+d-1,i:i+d-1] \leftarrow \Sigma[i:i+d-1,i:i+d-1]
 5: L[i+d:m,i:i+d-1] \leftarrow \Sigma[i+d:m,i:i+d-1]D^{-1}[i:i+d-1,i:i+d-1]
6:
         \Sigma[i+d:m,i+d:m] \leftarrow \Sigma[i+d:m,i+d:m] - L[i+d:m,i:i+d-1]D^{-1}[i:m]
    i + d - 1, i : i + d - 1 L[i : i + d - 1, i + d : m]
7:
        if i + d < m then
8.
              \mathbf{D}[i+d:m,i+d:m] \leftarrow \mathbf{\Sigma}[i+d:m,i+d:m]
 9:
           end if
10:
     end for
11.
        return L and D
12: end procedure
```

Algorithm 2: LDL decomposition

When  $s = \frac{m}{d}$  is integer, results of Algorithm 2,  $\mathbf{L}, \mathbf{D}$  can be written as

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I}_d & \mathbf{O}_d & \cdots & \mathbf{O}_d \\ \mathbf{L}_{2,1} & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \mathbf{I}_d & \mathbf{O}_d \\ \mathbf{L}_{s,1} & \cdots & \mathbf{L}_{s,s-1} & \mathbf{I}_d \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{D}_1 & \mathbf{O}_d & \cdots & \mathbf{O}_d \\ \mathbf{O}_d & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \mathbf{D}_{s-1} & \mathbf{O}_d \\ \mathbf{O}_d & \cdots & \mathbf{O}_d & \mathbf{D}_s \end{pmatrix}$$

with *d*-dimensional identitiy matrix  $\mathbf{I}_d$  and *d*-dimensional zero matrix  $\mathbf{O}_d$  and *d*-dimensional positive-definite matrix  $\mathbf{D}_1, \cdots, \mathbf{D}_s$ .

As in (3), tranformation, Y = LX provides m-dimensional multivariate normal prabability as the product of s d-dimensional multivariate normal probabilities as

$$\mathbf{\Phi}_{m}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}; \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{\Sigma}) = \int_{\alpha_{1}}^{\beta_{1}} \phi_{d}(\mathbf{y}_{1}; \mathbf{D}_{1}) \int_{\alpha_{2}}^{\beta_{2}} \phi_{d}(\mathbf{y}_{2}; \mathbf{D}_{2})$$
(4)

$$\cdots \int_{\alpha_s}^{\beta_s} \phi_d(\mathbf{y}_s; \mathbf{D}_s) d\mathbf{y}_s \cdots d\mathbf{y}_2 d\mathbf{y}_1, \tag{5}$$

where 
$$\alpha_i = \mathbf{a}_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \mathbf{L}_{ij} \mathbf{y}_j, \beta_i = \mathbf{b}_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \mathbf{L}_{ij} \mathbf{y}_j$$

```
1: procedure CMVN(\Sigma, a, b, d)
 2: \mathbf{v} \leftarrow \mathbf{0}, P \leftarrow 1
 3: for i = 1 : s do
 4: i \leftarrow (i-1)d
 5: \mathbf{g} \leftarrow \mathbf{L}[j+1:j+d,1:j]\mathbf{y}[1:j]
 6: \alpha \leftarrow \mathbf{a}[i+1:i+d] - \mathbf{g}
 7: \beta \leftarrow \mathbf{b}[j+1:j+d] - \mathbf{g}
 8: \mathbf{D}' \leftarrow \mathbf{D}[i+1:i+d,i+1:i+d]
 9: P \leftarrow P \cdot \Phi_d(\alpha, \beta; \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{D}')
               \mathbf{v}[i+1:i+d] \leftarrow E[\mathbf{Y}']
10:
       end for
11.
12:
           return P and y
13: end procedure
```

Algorithm 3: d-dimensional conditioning algorithm

#### **Multidimensional Truncated Expectations**

The truncated expectation is expressed as

$$E(X^{e_j}) = \frac{1}{\Phi(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})} \int_{\mathbf{a}}^{\mathbf{b}} x_j \phi_d(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) d\mathbf{x}$$
$$= \frac{1}{\Phi(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})} F_j^d(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$$

- Theore 1 has same form with bivariate version of Trinh and Genz (2015) with d=2
- It allows us to calculate E[Y] in Algorithm 3 with  $\Phi$  which can be obtained with quasi monte calro method proposed by Genz (1992)

#### **Multidimensional Trunceated Expectations**

#### Theorem

Kan and Robotti (2017)

$$F_j^d(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = \mu_j \boldsymbol{\Phi}_d(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) + \mathbf{e}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{c},$$

where c is a vector with Ith component defined as

$$\begin{split} c_{l} &= \phi_{1}(a_{l}; \mu_{l}, \sigma_{l}^{2}) \Phi_{d-1}(\mathbf{a}_{-l}, \mathbf{b}_{-l}; \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}^{1}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}_{l}) \\ &- \phi_{1}(b_{l}; \mu_{l}, \sigma_{l}^{2}) \Phi_{d-1}(\mathbf{a}_{-l}, \mathbf{b}_{-l}; \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}^{2}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}_{l}) \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_{l}^{1} &= \mu_{-l} + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{-l,l} \frac{a_{l} - \mu_{l}}{\sigma_{l}^{2}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_{l}^{2} = \mu_{-l} + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{-l,l} \frac{b_{l} - \mu_{l}}{\sigma_{l}^{2}}, \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}_{l} &= \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{-l,-l} - \frac{1}{\sigma_{l}^{2}} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{-l,l} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{l,-l} \end{split}$$

## Multidimensional Conditioning Approximation with Univariate Reordering

Appropriate integration order on conditioning algorithm possibly improves estiation accuracy

- Schervish (1984): integral with shortest integration interval widths be the outermost integration variables
- Gibson et al. (1994): variables which have smallest expected values be the outermost integration variables.
   Since innermost integrals which have smaller variation have the most influence with this order, overall variance reduces.
- Trinh and Genz (2015) also employs this ordering, and Cao et al. (2019) generalized it to *d*-dimensional problem.

## Multidimensional Conditioning Approximation with Univariate Reordering

```
procedure RCMVN(Σ, a, b, d)
               v \leftarrow 0, C \leftarrow \Sigma
            for i = 1 : m do
                     if i > 1 then
                       y[i-1] \leftarrow \frac{\phi(a') - \phi(b')}{\phi(b') + \phi(a')}
  6:
7:
                     end if
                     j \leftarrow \operatorname{argmin}_{i \leq j \leq m} \{ \Phi(\frac{\mathbf{b}[j] - \mathbf{C}[j,1:i-1]\mathbf{y}[1:i-1]}{\sqrt{\sum[j,i] - \mathbf{C}[j,1:i-1]\mathbf{C}^T[j,1:i-1]}}) - \Phi(\frac{\mathbf{a}[j] - \mathbf{C}[j,1:i-1]\mathbf{y}[1:i-1]}{\sqrt{\sum[j,j] - \mathbf{C}[j,1:i-1]\mathbf{C}^T[j,1:i-1]}}) \} 
  8:
9:
                    \Sigma[:, (i, j)] \leftarrow \Sigma[:, (j, i)]; \Sigma[(i, j), :] \leftarrow \Sigma[(j, i), :]
                    C[:, (i, i)] \leftarrow C[:, (j, i)]; C[(i, j), :] \leftarrow C[(j, i), :]
10:
                    a[(i, j)] = a[(j, i)]
11:
            b[(i, j)] = b[(j, i)]
12: C[i, i] \leftarrow \sqrt{\Sigma[i, i] - C[i, 1: i-1]}C^T[i, 1: i-1]
            C[j, l] \leftarrow \frac{\sum [j, l] - C[i, 1:i-1]C^T[j, 1:i-1]}{C[i, l]}, for j = i+1, \cdots, m
13.
14: a' = \frac{a[i] - C[i,1:i-1]y[1:i-1]}{C[i,i]}
             b' = \frac{\mathbf{b}[i] - \mathbf{C}[i,1:i-1]y[1:i-1]}{\mathbf{C}[i,i]}
15:
16.
               end for
17:
               return CMVN(Σ, a, b, d) as in Algorithm 3
18: end procedure
```

Algorithm 4: d-dimensional conditioning algorithm with univariate reordering

Hierarchical-Block

**Approximation** 

## **Hierarchical Cholesky Decomposition**

- Hackbusch (2015) proposed hiarchical matrix and its cholesky decomposition method.
- A = LU have the structure

$$\begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} L_{11} & O \\ L_{21} & L_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} L_{11}^{\mathsf{T}} & L_{12}^{\mathsf{T}} \\ O & L_{22}^{\mathsf{T}} \end{pmatrix}$$

with lower triangular matrix  $L_{11}$ ,  $L_{22}$ .

- It leads to four tasks:
  - (a) compute  $L_{11}$  via Cholesky decomposition of  $A_{11}$
  - (b) compute  $L_{12}$  from  $L_{21}L_{11}^T = A_{21}$
  - (c) low rank approximation of  $L_{12} = UV^T$
  - (d) compute  $L_{22}$  via Cholesky decomposition of  $A_{22} L_{21}L_{21}^T$
- We have applied low rank approximation with svd to (c) each block of its decomposition to make implementation efficiently and save storage while accuracy is preserved, i.e.

$$A = UDV^{T} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} d_{i}u_{i}v_{i}^{T} \approx \sum_{i=1}^{k} d_{i}u_{i}v_{i}^{T}.$$

### **Hierarchical Cholesky Decomposition**

Hierachical cholesky decomposition of  $n \times n$  matrix into  $m \times m$  blocks is implemented like below.

```
1: procedure HCHOL(A, n,m,rank)
 2:
       for i = 1 : log_2(\frac{n}{m}) do
 3:
          nb = n/2^i
 4.
          x = 0, v = nb
        for i = 1 : 2^{i-1} do
 5.
 6:
              U, D, V = lowrankSVD(A[xbegin + 1 : xbegin + nb, ybegin + 1 : ybegin + nb], rank)
 7:
              A[x + 1 : x + nb, y + 1 : y + rank] = UD
8.
              A[x+1:x+nb,y+rank+1:y+nb] = 0
g.
             A[y + 1 : y + nb, x + 1 : x + rank] = VD
10.
              A[y+1: y+nb, x+rank+1: x+nb] = 0
11:
              x+ = 2nb, y+ = 2nb
12:
          end for
13.
       end for
14: end procedure
```

**Algorithm 5:** Hierachical cholesky decomposition

## The Hierarchical-Block Conditioning Method

- Let  $\phi_m(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{\Sigma})$  be a pdf of the m-dimensional normal distribution  $N(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{\Sigma})$  and  $(\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{U}\mathbf{V}^T)$  be the hierarchical Cholesky decompostion of the covariance matrix  $\mathbf{\Sigma}$ .
- Then,

$$\Phi_{n}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}; \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{\Sigma}) = \int_{\mathbf{a}_{1}'}^{\mathbf{b}_{1}'} \phi_{m}(\mathbf{x}_{1}; \mathbf{B}_{1} \mathbf{B}_{1}^{T})$$

$$\cdots \int_{\mathbf{a}_{r}'}^{\mathbf{b}_{r}'} \phi_{r}(\mathbf{x}_{r}; \mathbf{B}_{r} \mathbf{B}_{r}^{T}) d\mathbf{x}_{r} \cdots d\mathbf{x}_{1}, \qquad (6)$$

where  $\mathbf{a}', \ \mathbf{b}', \ i=1,\cdots,r$ , are the corresponding segments of the updated  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ .

- Note the probabilities  $\Phi_m(\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{b}_i; \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{B}_i \mathbf{B}_i^T)$  can be computed using
  - 1. Quasi-Monte Carlo method (HMVN)
  - 2. d-dimensional conditioning algorithm (HCMVN)
  - d-dimensional conditioning algorithm with univariate reordering (HRCMVN)

### The Hierarchical-Block Conditioning Method

```
1: procedure HMVN(a, b, \Sigma, d)
  2:
       \mathbf{x} \leftarrow \mathbf{0} and P \leftarrow 1
  3: [B, UV] \leftarrow \text{choldecomp\_hmatrix}(\Sigma)
  4.
       for i = 1 : r do
  5: j \leftarrow (i-1)m
  6:
         if i > 1 then
 7:
                       o_r \leftarrow \text{row offset of } \mathbf{U}_{i-1} \mathbf{V}_{i-1}^T
 8:
                       o_c \leftarrow \text{column offset of } \mathbf{U}_{i-1} \mathbf{V}_{i-1}^T
                       I \leftarrow \dim(\mathbf{U}_{i-1}\mathbf{V}_{i-1}^T)
 g.
                       \mathbf{g} \leftarrow \mathbf{U}_{i-1} \mathbf{V}_{i-1}^T \mathbf{x} [o_c + 1 : o_c + 1]
10.
11.
                       a[o_r + 1 : o_r + I] = a[o_r + 1 : o_r + I] - g
12:
                       \mathbf{b}[o_r + 1 : o_r + 1] = \mathbf{a}[o_r + 1 : o_r + 1] - \mathbf{g}
13:
         end if
14.
         \mathbf{a}_i \leftarrow \mathbf{a}[i+1:i+m]
15.
         \mathbf{b}_i \leftarrow \mathbf{b}[j+1:j+m]
         P = P * \Phi_m(\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{b}_i; \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{B}_i \mathbf{B}_i^T)
16:
17:
          x[i+1:i+m] \leftarrow B_i^{-1}E(X_i)
18:
             end for
19: end procedure
```

Algorithm 6: Hierarchical-block conditioning algorithm

### **Computational Complexity**

- Let  $M(\cdot)$  be the complexity of the QMC simulation in the given dimension.
- Cao et al. (2019) summarize the time efficiency of the *d*-dimensional conditioning algorithm as Table 1.

	MVN prob	Trunc exp	Upd limits
HMVN HCMVN HRCMVN	$\frac{\frac{n}{m}M(m)}{\frac{n}{d}M(d) + O(m^2n)}$ $\frac{\frac{n}{d}M(d) + O(m^2n)}{\frac{n}{d}M(d) + O(m^2n)}$	2nM(m) + O(nm2) $2nM(d) + O(nd2)$ $2nM(d) + O(nd2)$	O(mn + knlog(n/m)) O(mn + knlog(n/m)) O(mn + knlog(n/m))

Table 1: Complexity decomposition of the HMVN, HCMVN, and HRCMVN

- The value of probability based on n-dimensioned multivariate normal random variable comprises of m multiplications of d-dimensional integrals.
- Recall the RCMVN algorithm(3): as computing each d-dimensional integral values, integration variables were arranged in order of increasing order of CMVN probability values, from outer to inner
- Permutes the block of LDL-decomposed covariance matrix, in order of RCMVN probability values of each blocks
- Result accuracy and time cost is compared among HMVN, HCMVN, HRCMVN with/without block reordering.

```
\begin{array}{l} \text{procedure } \texttt{Blockreorder}(G, \ \rho, \ a, \ b, \ m, \ ind) \\ G, \rho, a, b, m, ind \ \text{given}, \ P \leftarrow 0 \\ \text{for } i = 1: m: n-m+1 \ \text{do} \\ \text{s} \leftarrow ind[i: i+m-1] \\ \textbf{A} \leftarrow \rho(G, \mathbf{s}) \\ a' \leftarrow a[\mathbf{s}] \\ b' \leftarrow b[\mathbf{s}] \\ \textbf{P} \leftarrow [\textbf{P}, \texttt{RCMVN}(\textbf{A}, a', b', 1).P] \\ \text{end for} \\ \text{sort(ind, P, m)} \\ \text{return ind} \\ \text{end procedure} \end{array}
```

Algorithm 7: Blockwise reordering

```
procedure HCMVN BRO(a, b, \Sigma, d)
      x \leftarrow 0, P \leftarrow 1, ind \leftarrow [1, \ldots, n]
      [B, UV] \leftarrow \text{choldecomp hmatrix}(\Sigma)
      \mathbf{B} \leftarrow \operatorname{Blockreorder}(G, \rho, a, b, m, ind)
      for i = 1 \cdot r do
           j \leftarrow (i-1)m
            if i > 1 then
                  o_r \leftarrow \text{row offset of } \mathbf{U}_{i-1} \mathbf{V}_{i-1}^T
                 o_c \leftarrow \text{column offset of } \mathbf{U}_{i-1} \mathbf{V}_{i-1}^T
                 I \leftarrow \dim(\mathbf{U}_{i-1}\mathbf{V}_{i-1}^T)
                  \mathbf{g} \leftarrow \mathbf{U}_{i-1}\mathbf{V}_{i-1}^T\mathbf{x}[o_c+1:o_c+1]
                  a[o_r + 1 : o_r + I] = a[o_r + 1 : o_r + I] - g
                  \mathbf{b}[o_r + 1 : o_r + I] = \mathbf{a}[o_r + 1 : o_r + I] - \mathbf{g}
            end if
            \mathbf{a}_i \leftarrow \mathbf{a}[i+1:i+m]
            \mathbf{b}_i \leftarrow \mathbf{b}[i+1:i+m]
            P = P * \Phi_m(\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{b}_i; \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{B}_i \mathbf{B}_i^T)
            x[i+1:i+m] \leftarrow B^{-1}E[X_i]
      end for
end procedure
```

Algorithm 8: Hierarchical-block conditioning algorithm with Block Reordering

**Numerical Examples** 

#### **Cholesky Factorization**

#### Data

Exponential covariance matrix,  $\Sigma_{ij} = exp(-\|\mathbf{s}_i - \mathbf{s}_j\|/\beta)$  is set with  $\beta = 0.3$ . n points,  $\mathbf{s}_1, \dots, \mathbf{s}_n$  is evenly distributed over unique square with Morton's order which defined recursively as described in figure 2.

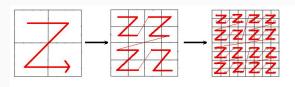


Figure 2: Morton's order (Salem and Arab, 2016)

### **Cholesky Factorization**

#### Methods

- 1. The chol function from LinearAlgebra package
- 2. The dpotrf from LAPACK package
- 3. Hierarchical cholesky decomposition which suggested by Hackbusch (2015) are implemented.
- With various n, three Cholesky methods are applied and results are below table 2.
- In low rank approximation at algorithm 5, rank is about  $n^{1/4}$ .
- Hierarchical cholesky decomposition provides  $\Sigma \approx L_H L_{H}^T$ .
- Its relative error is defined as  $\frac{\|\mathbf{\Sigma} L_H L_H^T\|_2}{\|\mathbf{\Sigma}\|_2}$

## **Cholesky Factorization**

n	256	1024	4096	16384
chol	0.001s	0.0097s	0.414s	156.3s
dpotrf	0.0007s	0.0132s	0.431s	154.1s
hierarchical cholesky	0.153s	0.076s	0.916s	37.3s
Error of hierarchical cholesky	1.06e-7	9.97e-7	1.11e-3	1.87e-3

Table 2: Excution times for Cholesky factorization

#### Results

- Hierarchical cholesky decomposition is more efficient than other classical cholesky method with large dimension.
- Table 2 ensures accuracy of hierarchical cholesky decomposition proposed by Hackbusch (2015).

#### Multivariate Normal Probabilities

#### Methods

- 1. Classical Monte Carlo(MC) is estimate probabilities from acceptance ratio,
- 2. Richtmyer Quasi-Monte Carlo(QMC) introduced in the section 2.

#### **Settings**

- Varying sample size N and dimension d, two Monte Carlo methods are compared and results are below table 3 and 4.
- Set  $\Sigma = I_d$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_i = -\infty$  and  $\mathbf{b}_i = 0$ , i.e. true probabilities are  $1/2^d$ s
- Repeat 20 times.

#### **Multivariate Normal Probabilities**

(n, d)	4	8	12	16	20
500	12.2%	56.8%	161.9%	100.0%	100.0%
	0.294ms	0.016ms	0.018ms	0.019ms	0.019ms
1000	9.5%	50.6%	193.8%	100.0%	100.0%
	0.046ms	0.041ms	0.028ms	0.028ms	0.034ms
1500	8.9%	38.7%	150.2%	100.0%	100.0%
	0.055ms	0.046ms	0.042ms	0.048ms	0.045ms
2000	5.4%	26.5%	102.4%	100.0%	100.0%
	0.070ms	0.065ms	0.072ms	0.058ms	0.055ms
2500	5.1%	32.0%	100.1%	100.0%	100.0%
	0.073ms	0.092ms	0.081ms	0.083ms	0.076ms

Table 3: Results for the classical Monte Carlo

#### **Multivariate Normal Probabilities**

(n, d)	4	8	12	16	20
500	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	0.058ms	0.003ms	0.006ms	0.006ms	0.011ms
1000	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	0.003ms	0.009ms	0.013ms	0.017ms	0.020ms
1500	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	0.006ms	0.011ms	0.016ms	0.019ms	0.030ms
2000	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	0.011ms	0.012ms	0.013ms	0.025ms	0.036ms
2500	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	0.009ms	0.022ms	0.033ms	0.038ms	0.056ms

Table 4: Results for the Richtmyer Quasi-Monte Carlo

# **Multidimensional Conditioning Approximations**

#### Results

- MC fails even d is not large enough.
- QMC is numerically stable and faster than MC
- All the multivariate normal distribution probabilities required in the next experiments are calculated using QMC.

# d-dimensional Conditioning Algorithm without/with Reordering

#### **Settings**

- 250 MVN problems with various values of m and d
- $\Sigma = \mathbf{QJQ}^T$  is simulated with  $\mathbf{Q} \sim Haar\ distribution\ and\ J = diag(j_i)$  where  $j_1, \dots, j_m \sim U(0,1)$
- Integration limits  $a_i = -\infty$  and  $b_i \sim (U, m)$  for  $i = 1 \cdots, m$

#### **Theorem**

Stewart (1980) Let the independent vectors  $x_1, \cdots, x_n$  be distributed  $N(0, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$ . For  $j=1,2,\cdots,n-1$ , let  $\mathbf{H}_{x_j}$  be the Householder transformation that reduces  $x_j$  to  $r_{jj}\mathbf{e}_1$ , where  $r_{ij}$  is obtained in QR decomposition of  $[x_1,\cdots,x_n]$  Let  $\mathbf{H}_j=\operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{I}_{j-1},\bar{\mathbf{H}}_j)$ . Let  $\mathbf{D}=\operatorname{diag}(\operatorname{sign}(r_{11}),\cdots,\operatorname{sign}(r_{nn}))$ . Then the product  $\mathbf{Q}=\mathbf{DH_1}\cdots\mathbf{H_{n-1}}$  follows Haar Distribution.

# d-dimensional Conditioning Algorithm without/with Reordering

m, d) 1		2	4	8	16
Witho	ut univariate i	eordering			
16	3.7%	3.5%	3.6%	3.8%	2.9%
	0.029ms 2.4%	0.201ms 2.9%	0.431ms 2.9%	0.676ms 3.3%	1.372ms 2.7%
32	0.001ms	0.390ms	0.833ms	1.283ms	2.545ms
64	1.9%	2.1%	2.1%	1.8%	1.9%
	0.004ms	0.762ms	1.686ms	2.545ms	5.004ms
128	1.3%	1.5%	1.3%	1.2%	1.4%
120	0.024ms	1.505ms	3.333ms	5.146ms	10.548ms
With ı	ınivariate reor	dering			
	3.3%	3.1%	3.3%	3.6%	2.7%
16	0.007ms	0.203ms	0.439ms	0.680ms	1.363ms
32	2.3%	2.6%	2.6%	3.2%	2.6%
	0.004ms	0.393ms	0.841ms	1.289ms	2.544ms
64	2.0%	2.1%	2.1%	1.9%	1.9%
04	0.014ms	0.773ms	1.695ms	2.552ms	5.022ms
128	1.2%	1.5%	1.4%	1.2%	1.4%
120	0.097ms	1.593ms	3.462ms	5.268ms	10.7861ms

Table 5: Errors and execution times of the d-dimensional conditioning method

# **Multidimensional Conditioning Approximations**

#### Results

- Estimated value is compared with approximated value obtained via quasi monte carlo method with a sample size of  $10^4$ , which ensures error below  $10^{-4}$
- Estimation error tended to decrease as *d* increases with each *m* since lager *d* implers less discarded correlation information.
- Spent time grows to a linear fashion with m while it grows exponentially with d.

# **Hierarchical-Block Approximations**

#### Methods

- M1, HMVN(): Calculate multivariate normal probabilities using hierarchical-block approximation
- M2, HCMVN(): Calculate multivariate normal probabilities using hierarchical-block conditioning approximation
- M3, HRCMVN(): Calculate multivariate normal probabilities using hierarchical-block conditioning approximation with univarite reordering

#### Data

- 1. Constant covariance matrix:  $k(x_i, x_j) = \theta + (1 \theta)\delta_{ij}$  for some  $|\theta| < 1$ .
- 2. 1D exponential covariance matrix:  $k(x_i, x_j) = \exp(-d_{ij}/\beta)$  for some  $\beta > 0$ , where  $d_{ij}$  is the distance between  $x_i$  and  $x_j$ .

# **Hierarchical-Block Approximations**

#### **Settings**

- Simulation size = 20
- Integration limits  $a_i = -\infty$  and  $b_i \sim (U, n)$  for  $i = 1 \cdots, n$
- $\theta = 0.7$ ,  $d_{ij} = 1$ , and  $\beta = 10$  as in Cao et al. (2019)
- Fix d = 4 for HCMVN and HRCMVN.

Table 6, Figure 3 and 4 are errors and execution times under the constant covariance structure and 1D exponential covariance structure respectively.

# Hierarchical-Block Approximations

m	16			32			64					
n	256	512	1024	256	512	1024	256	512	1024			
Constant covariance structure												
M1	8.22%	7.11%	8.66%	8.94%	7.88%	6.68%	10.58%	8.05%	9.78%			
M2	8.37%	7.08%	8.60%	8.91%	7.77%	6.61%	10.58%	8.26%	9.91%			
М3	8.51%	7.10%	8.70%	9.51%	7.92%	7.00%	10.68%	7.94%	9.63%			
1D exponential covariance matrix												
M1	2.87%	0.00%	0.01%	0.07%	1.31%	0.00%	2.65%	0.27%	0.57%			
M2	3.28%	0.01%	0.90%	0.07%	1.31%	0.01%	2.65%	0.28%	0.57%			
М3	4.73%	0.09%	2.11%	2.17%	1.90%	0.16%	3.72%	1.25%	0.66%			

**Table 6:** Relative errors under the constant covariance structure and 1D exponential covariance structure

### Hierarchical-Block Approximations- Execution Time i

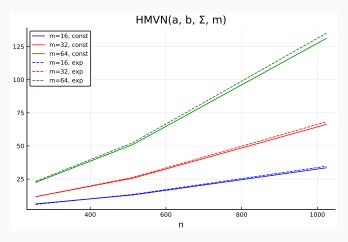
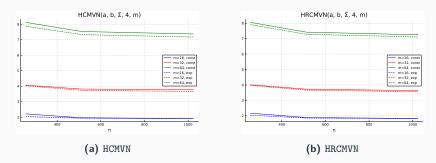


Figure 3: Execution time (seconds) for the hierarchical-block approximation

### Hierarchical-Block Approximations- Execution Time ii



**Figure 4:** Execution time (seconds) for the hierarchical-block conditioning approximation

# Conclusion

#### Conclusion

- d-dimensional conditioning and block reordering scheme improved accuracy under the exponential covariance structure, with negligible amount of computing time and cost.
- The hierarchical decomposition method is effective approach for the case of smooth covariance function, such as exponential covariance structure.
- Numerical results were not perfectly homogenous with these of Cao et al. (2019) mainly due to distinct computing environment.
- Discussions:
  - 1. Deal with  $m \nmid n$  case
  - Efficient ways of estimating truncated expectations of MVN random variables.

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