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 μ 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 Σ .

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Motivation

The methods are based on

- 1. the bivariate conditioning method (Trinh and Genz, 2015) and
- 2. the hierarchical QMC method (Genton et al., 2018).

Multidimensional Conditioning

Approximations

- MonteCarlo 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,

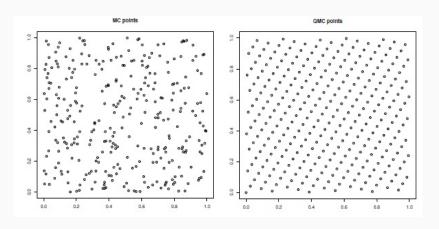


Figure 1: Comparison of MC and QMC sample points(Genz and Bretz, 2009)

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

```
1: 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 = 1ns
           ans = 0
           for i = 1, \dots, ns do
            I_i = 0, \Delta \sim U(0, 1)^n
10:
           for i = 1, \dots, N do
11:
                  X[1:n,j] = (j+1)q + \Delta
12:
13:
                  X[1:n, j] = 2|X[1:n, j] - floor(X[1:n, j])| - 1
              end for
14:
             sample = O_{n,N}
15:
               s. c. d. dc. P = 0 M
16:
              for i = 1, \dots, n do
17:
                  if i > 1 then
18:
                      c = \min(1, c + X[j-1, :] \odot dc)
19:
                      sample[i - 1, 1 : N] = \Phi^{-1}(c)
20:
21:
22:
                      s = \text{sample}[1: i-1, 1: M]^{T} L[1: i-1, i]
                  end if
                  P* = \Phi(\frac{b-s}{I[i,j]}) - \Phi(\frac{a-s}{I[i,j]})
23:
               end for
24:
               ans+ = mean(P)
25:
           end for
26.
           return ans / ns
       end procedure
```

lined 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.

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

,where $\Sigma_{1,1},D_1$ is a 2×2 matrix. From $D_1=\Sigma_{1,1},$ $M=RD_1^{-1},$ $\widehat{D}=\widehat{\Sigma}-MD_1M^T$

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

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

```
 \begin{array}{lll} \textbf{1:} & \mathsf{procedure} \ \mathsf{LDL}(\pmb{\Sigma}) \\ \textbf{2:} & \mathsf{L} \leftarrow \mathsf{I}_m, \mathsf{D} \leftarrow \mathsf{O}_m \\ \textbf{3:} & \mathsf{for} \ i = 1 : d : m - d + 1 \ \mathsf{do} \\ \textbf{4:} & \mathsf{D}[i : i + d - 1, i : i + d - 1] \leftarrow \pmb{\Sigma}[i : i + d - 1, i : i + d - 1] \\ \textbf{5:} & \mathsf{L}[i + d : m, i : i + d - 1] \leftarrow \pmb{\Sigma}[i + d : m, i : i + d - 1] \mathsf{D}^{-1}[i : i + d - 1, i : i + d - 1] \\ \textbf{6:} & \pmb{\Sigma}[i + d : m, i + d : m] \leftarrow \pmb{\Sigma}[i + d : m, i + d : m] - \mathsf{L}[i + d : m, i : i + d - 1] \mathsf{D}^{-1}[i : i + d - 1, i : i + d - 1] \mathsf{L}[i : i + d - 1, i : i + d - 1] \mathsf{L}[i : i + d : m, i + d : m] \\ \textbf{7:} & \text{if} \ i + d < m \ \text{then} \\ \textbf{8:} & \mathsf{D}[i + d : m, i + d : m] \leftarrow \pmb{\Sigma}[i + d : m, i + d : m] \\ \textbf{9:} & \text{end} \ \text{if} \\ \textbf{10:} & \text{end} \ \text{for} \\ \textbf{11:} & \text{return} \ \mathsf{L} \ \text{and} \ \mathsf{D} \\ \textbf{12:} & \text{end procedure} \\ \end{array}
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lined 2: LDL decomposition

When $s = \frac{m}{d}$ is integer, results of Algorithm 2, **L**, **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 identity 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 below.

$$\begin{split} & \Phi_{\textit{m}}(\mathbf{a},\mathbf{b};\mathbf{0},\mathbf{\Sigma}) = \int_{\alpha_1}^{\beta_1} \phi_{\textit{d}}(\mathbf{y}_1;\mathbf{D}_1) \int_{\alpha_2}^{\beta_2} \phi_{\textit{d}}(\mathbf{y}_2;\mathbf{D}_2) \cdots \int_{\alpha_s}^{\beta_s} \phi_{\textit{d}}(\mathbf{y}_s;\mathbf{D}_s) \textit{d}\mathbf{y}_s \cdots \textit{d}\mathbf{y}_2 \textit{d}\mathbf{y}_1 \quad (4) \\ & \text{,where } \alpha_i = \mathbf{a}_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \mathbf{L}_{ij} \mathbf{y}_j, \beta_i = \mathbf{b}_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \mathbf{L}_{ij} \mathbf{y}_j \end{split}$$

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

lined 3: d-dimensional conditioning algorithm

Multidimensional Truncated Expectations

The truncated expectation is expressed as

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

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 lth component defined as

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

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

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

```
1:
2:
3:
4:
          procedure RCMVN(Σ, a, b, d)
                v \leftarrow 0, C \leftarrow \Sigma
            for i = 1 \cdot m do
                     if i > 1 then
                       y[i-1] \leftarrow \frac{\phi(a') - \phi(b')}{\phi(b') - \phi(a')}
  6:
                     end if
                     j \leftarrow \mathsf{argmin}_{j \leq j \leq m} \{ \Phi(\frac{\mathbf{b}[j] - \mathbf{C}[j,1:i-1]\mathbf{y}[1:i-1]}{\sqrt{\mathbf{\Sigma}[i,j] - \mathbf{C}[i,1:i-1]\mathbf{C}^T[i,1:i-1]}}) - \Phi(\frac{\mathbf{a}[j] - \mathbf{C}[j,1:i-1]\mathbf{y}[1:i-1]}{\sqrt{\mathbf{\Sigma}[i,j] - \mathbf{C}[i,1:i-1]\mathbf{C}^T[i,1:i-1]}}) \} 
  8:
9:
                     \Sigma[:, (i, j)] \leftarrow \Sigma[:, (j, i)]; \Sigma[(i, j), :] \leftarrow \Sigma[(j, i), :]
                    C[:,(i,i)] \leftarrow C[:,(i,i)]:C[(i,i),:] \leftarrow C[(i,i),:]
10:
                    a[(i, j)] = a[(j, i)]
11:
            b[(i, j)] = b[(j, i)]
12: C[i, i] \leftarrow \sqrt{\sum_{i} [i, i] - C[i, 1: i-1] C^{T}[i, 1: i-1]}
13: C[j, i] \leftarrow \frac{\sum [j, i] - C[i, 1:i-1]C^{T}[j, 1:i-1]}{C^{T}[i, i]}, \text{ for } j = i+1, \cdots, m
14: a' = \frac{a[i] - C[i,1:i-1]y[1:i-1]}{C[i,i]}
15: b' = \frac{b[i] - C[i,1:i-1]y[1:i-1]}{C[i,i]}
16:
17:
                return CMVN(Σ, a, b, d) as in Algorithm 3
18: end procedure
```

lined 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

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

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.

```
procedure HCHOL(A, n,m,rank)
         for i = 1 : log_2(\frac{n}{m}) do
 3:
4:
5:
6:
7:
8:
9:
             nb = n/2^i
            x = 0, y = nb
            for i = 1 : 2^{i-1} do
               U, D, V = lowrankSVD(A[xbegin + 1 : xbegin + nb, ybegin + 1 : ybegin + nb], rank)
               A[x + 1 : x + nb, v + 1 : v + rank] = UD
               A[x + 1 : x + nb, v + rank + 1 : v + nb] = 0
                A[v + 1 : v + 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
      end procedure
```

lined 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,

$$\Phi_n(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}; \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{\Sigma}) = \int_{\mathbf{a}_1'}^{\mathbf{b}_1'} \phi_m(\mathbf{x}_1; \mathbf{B}_1 \mathbf{B}_1^T) \cdots \int_{\mathbf{a}_r'}^{\mathbf{b}_r'} \phi_r(\mathbf{x}_r; \mathbf{B}_r \mathbf{B}_r^T) d\mathbf{x}_r \cdots d\mathbf{x}_1. \tag{5}$$

,where $\mathbf{a}', \mathbf{b}', i = 1, \dots, r$, 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, Method 1 in Cao et al. (2019))
- 2. d-dimensional conditioning algorithm (HCMVN, Method 2 in Cao et al. (2019))
- d-dimensional conditioning algorithm with univariate reordering (HRCMVN, Method 3 in Cao et al. (2019)).

These methods are more effective and easily parallelizable than the classical methods.

The Hierarchical-Block Conditioning Method

```
1: procedure HMVN(a, b, Σ, d)
             x \leftarrow 0 and P \leftarrow 1
             [B, UV] ← choldecomp hmatrix(Σ)
             for i = 1 : r do
             j \leftarrow (i-1)m
                   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
                      l \leftarrow \dim(\mathbf{U}_{i-1}\mathbf{V}_{i-1}^T)
10:
                      \mathbf{g} \leftarrow \mathbf{U}_{i-1} \mathbf{V}_{i-1}^T \mathbf{x} [o_c + 1 : o_c + I]
11:
                      a[o_r + 1 : o_r + 1] = a[o_r + 1 : o_r + 1] - g
12:
                      b[o_r + 1 : o_r + 1] = a[o_r + 1 : o_r + 1] - g
13:
            end if
14:
          a_i \leftarrow a[i+1:i+m]
15: \mathbf{b}_{j} \leftarrow \mathbf{b}[j+1:j+m]
16: P = P * \Phi_m(\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{b}_i; \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{B}_i \mathbf{B}_i^T)
                 x[j+1:j+m] \leftarrow B_i^{-1}E(X_i)
17:
18.
             end for
         end procedure
```

lined 6: Hierarchical-block conditioning algorithm

Computational Complexity

 $M(\cdot)$ denotes the complexity of the QMC simulation in the given dimension. Table 1 shows that the time efficiency of the d-dimensional conditioning algorithm mainly comes from lowering the dimension in which the QMC simulation is performed.

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

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

- The updating cost is independent of the method.
- The complexity of the univariate reordering is O(m²n), the same as the complexity of computing the MVN probabilities in HCMVN
- Since HCMVN and HRCMVN perform the QMC simulation in d-dimensions, these
 two methods are not greatly affected by the choice of m.

Block Reordering

Block Reordering

- The cdf value for n-dimensioned multivariate normal 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

Block Reordering

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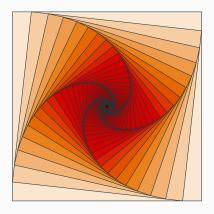


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Table 2: Largest cities in the world (source: Wikipedia)

City	Population	
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Shanghai	19,210,000	
Peking	15,796,450	
Istanbul	14,160,467	

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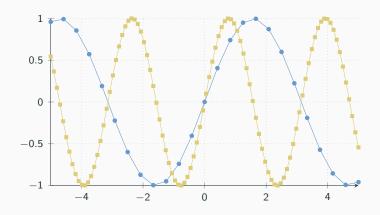
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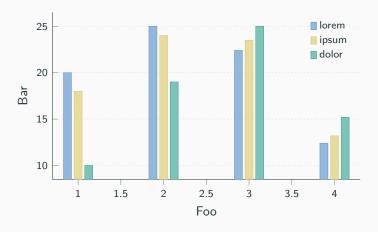
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