# Assignment w/Latin Hypercube Sampling (LHS)

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### Introduction

For this assignment, we are interested in estimating vegetation or crop water by first estimating atmospheric conductance, which is how easily water diffuses into the air. Atmospheric conductance depends on factors such as windspeed (you get more evaporation in windier conditions), the vegetation itself, and the turbulence it creates.

1. Code a function to compute atmospheric conductance  $C_{\rm at}$  (how easily vapor diffuses from vegetation surfaces)

$$C_{at} = \frac{v_m}{6.25 * ln(\frac{z_m - z_d}{z_0})^2}$$
$$z_d = k_d * h$$
$$z_0 = k_0 * h$$

Figure 1: Equation for atmospheric conductance  $C_{at}$ , how easily vapor diffuses from vegetation surfaces Note that:

- zm: height at which windspeed is measured (usually 200cm above the vegetation)
- h: vegetation height (cm)
- v: windspeed (cm/sec)
- kd: 0.7
- ko: 0.1

```
#source in atmospheric conductance (cat) function
source(here("functions", "compute_cat.R"))
```

### 2. Run your model

You are estimating the atmospheric conductance for a forest that is 10 m high (the accuracy of that measurement is  $\pm$ 0.5 m) Windspeeds (v) in this region are normally distributed with a mean of 250 cm/s with a standard deviation of 30 cm/sec.

Come up with a single estimate of atmospheric conductance for this forest.

Set up the  $C_{\rm at}$  model parameters:

- number of samples
- h: vegetation height (m)
- v: windspeed (cm/sec)

Run the model

parameters <- cbind.data.frame(h, v)</pre>

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results <- compute_cat(h = parameters$h, v = parameters$v)
mean_cat <- round(mean(results), digits = 2)
#should be 15.44 ?</pre>
```

The model estimates that the mean atmospheric conductance for this forest is approximately 15.26 cm/sec.

## 3. Now do a sensitivity analysis as follows

Consider the sensitivity of your estimate to uncertainty in the following parameters and inputs

- h: vegetation height (cm)
- kd
- ko
- v: windspeed (cm/sec)

Windspeeds (v) are normally distributed with a mean of 250 cm/sec with a standard deviation of 30 cm/sec

```
#use the same windspeed and nsamples parameters as before
v_mean <- 250
v_sd <- 30
v <- rnorm(mean = v_mean, sd = v_sd, n = nsamples)
nsamples = 100</pre>
```

For vegetation height assume that height is somewhere between 9.5 and 10.5 m (but any value in that range is equally likely)

For the kd and ko parameters you can assume that they are normally distributed with standard deviation of 1% of their default values

```
#create kd and k0 parameters
kd_default = 0.7
k0_default = 0.1

kd_sd = 0.01 * kd_default
k0_sd = 0.01 * k0_default

#sample from normal distributions of kd and k0
kd <- rnorm(mean = kd_default, sd = kd_sd, n = nsamples)
k0 <- rnorm(mean = k0_default, sd = k0_sd, n = nsamples)</pre>
```

#### a) use LHS to generate parameter values for the 4 parameters

- 1. v normally distributed
- 2. h uniform distribution
- 3. k0 normally distributed
- 4. kd normally distributed

## 3 235.5482 992.5 0.09937199 0.7065421 ## 4 272.6625 1034.5 0.10085962 0.7074069 ## 5 224.2115 978.5 0.09996239 0.7057673 ## 6 226.3243 952.5 0.09924458 0.7126834

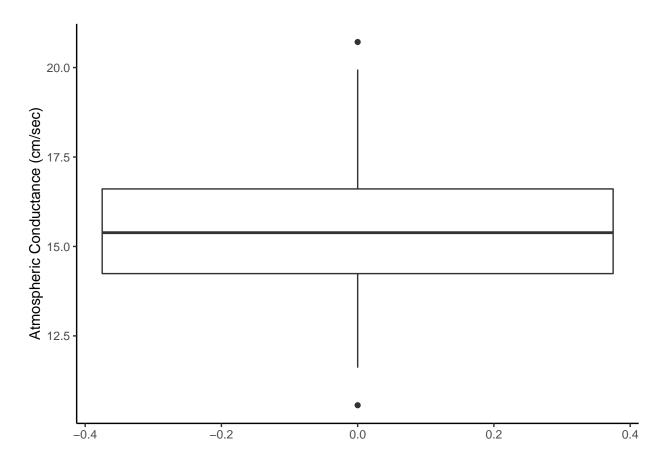
```
# considering 4 parameters
factors = c("v", "h", "k0", "kd")
# Decide how many parameter sets to generate
nsets=100
q = c("qnorm", "qunif", "qnorm", "qnorm")
q.arg = list(list(mean = 250, sd = 30), \#v
             list(min = 9.5 * 100, max = 10.5 * 100), #h
             list(mean = k0_default, sd = k0_sd), #k0
             list(mean = kd_default, sd = kd_sd)) #kd
# generate samples from LHS
sens_cat = LHS(NULL, factors, nsets, q, q.arg)
sens parameters = get.data(sens cat) #we want to know what parameters we want to run
head(sens_parameters) #we can look at all the parameter values we want to run - we will have 100 parame
##
                   h
                             k0
                                       kd
## 1 275.7885 976.5 0.10115035 0.7029830
## 2 308.7989 967.5 0.09946116 0.7068188
```

b) run you atmospheric conductance model for these parameters and return aerodynamic conductances

c) Plot conductance estimates in a way that accounts for parameter uncertainty

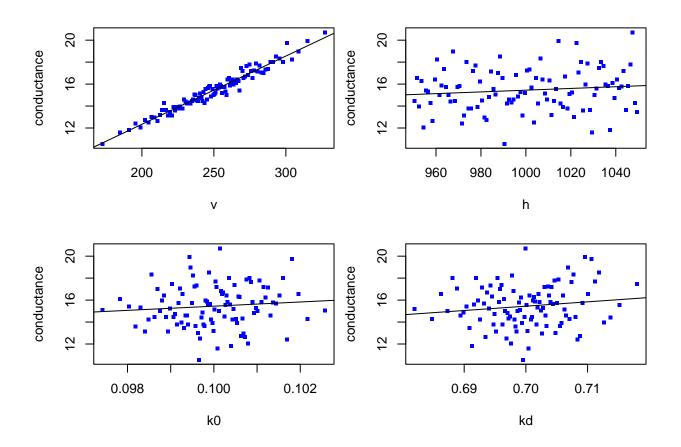
```
tmp = conductances_test %>% gather(value="value", key="yield")
ggplot(tmp, aes(y = value)) +
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geom_boxplot() +
labs(y="Atmospheric Conductance (cm/sec)") +
theme_classic()
```



### d) Plot conductance estimates against each of your parameters

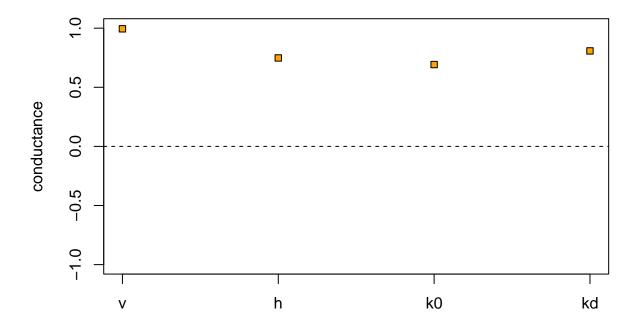
```
pse::plotscatter(sens_cat, col="blue", cex=5)
```



## e) Estimate the Partial Rank Correlation Coefficients

pse::plotprcc(sens\_cat)

## **PRCC**



f) Discuss what your results tell you about how aerodynamic conductance? What does it suggest about what you should focus on if you want to reduce uncertainty in aerodymaic conductance estimates? Does this tell you anything about the sensitivity of plant water use to climate change?