Monte Carlo method

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Monte Carlo method

- General framework for simulations using random numbers
- Numerical integrals
- Modeling stochastic processes
- Approximated solutions for difficult combinatorial optimizations
- sample code in the following URL https://github.com/modeling-and-simulation-mc-saga/ MonteCarlo

Estimation of π



• Generate 2-dimensional random numbers in a square with unit length sides.

$$(x,y) \in [0,1) \times [0,1)$$
 (2.1)

• Count events entering an arc with unit length radius.

$$0 \le \left(x^2 + y^2\right)^{1/2} < 1\tag{2.2}$$

ullet The probability of events entering the arc is $\pi/4$

• $P_N(m)$: Probability of m out of N points falling into the arc.

$$P_N(m) = \binom{N}{m} p^m (1-p)^{N-m}, \quad p = \frac{\pi}{4}$$
 (2.3)

• Probability generating function for $P_N(m)$

$$G(z) = \sum_{m=0}^{N} P_N(m) z^m = (pz + 1 - p)^N$$
 (2.4)

$$G'(z) = \sum_{m=0} m P_N(m) z^{m-1} = Np (pz + 1 - p)^{N-1}$$

$$\langle m \rangle = G'(1) = Np$$
(2.5)

$$G''(z) = \sum_{m=0}^{N} m(m-1)P_N(m)z^{m-2}$$
$$= N(N-1)p^2 (pz+1-p)^{N-2}$$

 $G''(1) = \langle m^2 \rangle - \langle m \rangle = N(N-1)p^2$

$$\sigma^2 = \langle m^2 \rangle - \langle m \rangle^2 = Np(1-p)$$

(2.7)

(2.8)

Simulation

$$\frac{\langle m \rangle_{\text{exp}}}{N} \sim \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\frac{\sigma}{\langle m \rangle} = \frac{1}{N^{1/2}} \left(\frac{1-p}{m} \right)^{1/2}$$

Deviation

$$\left(\frac{|\langle m \rangle_{\rm exp}}{N} - \frac{\pi}{4} \right)$$

(2.12)

(2.10)

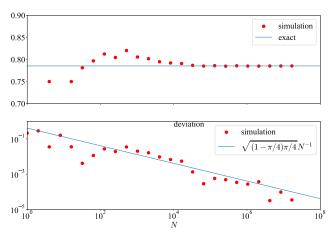
(2.11)

will reduce with $N^{-1/2}$

```
public double addOne() {
    all++;
    double x = myRandom.nextDouble();
    double y = myRandom.nextDouble();
    double r = Math.sqrt(x * x + y * y);
    if (r <= 1.) {
        in++;
    }
    return (double) in / all;
}</pre>
```

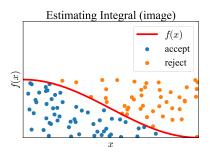
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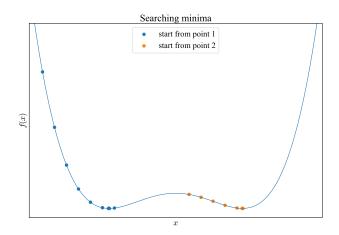
Estimating Integrals

- Function $f(x) \ge 0$ defined in $x \in [a, b)$
- $m > \max f(x)$
- Generate n 2-dimensional random numbers in $[a,b) \times [0,m)$
- k random numbers fallen inside the area under f(x)
- The integral is $(k/n) \times m \times (b-a)$



Find minima of f(x)

- There is only one minimum of f(x).
 - Starting from an arbitrary x.
 - $\bullet \ \ \text{Change} \ x \ \text{slightly for reducing} \ f(x) \\$
- There are some minima of f(x).
 - Trials with randomly selected starting points.
- For cases of huge number of minima of f(x)?



Random Spins

- n variables $s_i = \pm 1$
- Interactions J_{ij} $(J_{ij} = J_{ji}, J_{ii} = 0)$
 - Positive and negative random values
- Minimize

$$E = -\sum_{ij} J_{ij} s_i s_j \tag{5.1}$$

- ullet Split s_i into two groups
- Example of bi-partitioning problems

Monte Carlo method for spin systems

• Select randomly one s_i of spins, and try to flip it.

$$s_i \to s_i + \Delta x_i \tag{5.2}$$

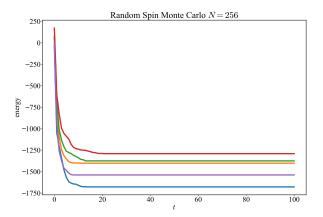
ullet Evaluate energy change by flipping the spin s_i

$$\Delta E = -2\sum_{j} J_{ij} s_j \Delta x_i \tag{5.3}$$

- If $\Delta E < 0$, then employ the new value for s_i
- ullet 1 Monte Carlo step : n trials for changing spins

```
public double oneStep() {
1
         int k = random.nextInt(n); //Random selection of a spin
         int ds = -2 * s[k]; //spin flip
         //energy
5
         double de = 0.;
         for (int j = 0; j < n; j++) {
6
              de += -2 * J[k][j] * s[j] * ds;
8
         //the spin flips if energy decreases
9
         if (de < 0) {
10
              energy += de;
11
              s[k] += ds;
12
13
         return de;
14
     }
15
```

simpleMonteCarlo/SpinSystem.java



- 5 different initial states lead to different states.
- This shows the existence of many energy minima
- How to find the minimum?

DLA: Diffusion Limited Aggregation

- At the beginning, there is a seed of a cluster at the center.
- particles are diffused and adhered to the cluster if the particle contacts to the cluster.

Simplest Simulation

- 2-dimensional lattice
- At the beginning, there is a seed of a cluster at the center.
- A particle enter the system, and do simple random walk.
 - one of four direction is randomly selected
 - if the position is next to the cluster, the particle is adhered.
 - A particle is adhered to the cluster, another particle enters the system.

 $\verb|https://github.com/modeling-and-simulation-mc-saga/DLA| \\$

```
public Point inject() {
1
          Point p = new Point(0, 0);
          setNewPosition(p); //Place a particle on the boundary
3
5
          while (true) {//Repeat until absorption
6
              if (isAdjacent(p)) {//The particle is absorbed
                  cells[p.x][p.y] = 1;
8
                  return p;
9
10
              //Random displacement
              int k = random.nextInt(4);
11
              switch (k) {
12
13
                  case 0:
                       p.translate(1, 0);
14
                       break:
15
                  case 1:
16
                       p.translate(0, 1);
17
18
                       break;
                  case 2:
19
                       p.translate(-1, 0):
20
21
                       break:
22
                  default:
23
                       p.translate(0, -1);
24
                       break;
25
              adjustPosition(p);
26
27
     }
28
```

30,000 particles

