

# Local Sensitivity Derivative Enhanced Monte Carlo

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## Key Questions

- How do we ensure the accuracy and reliability of our simulations?
- How do we quantify the impact of model parameter uncertainty on model outputs?

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## Monte Carlo method

- Slow convergence :  $\frac{C}{N_s^{\frac{1}{2}}}$ , but independent of dimension
- Faster MC methods using efficient surrogates

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- Use enhanced estimator:

$$\frac{1}{N_{ss}} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{ss}} Q_1(\mathbf{u}, \xi_j) + \frac{1}{N_{ts}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{ts}} [Q(\mathbf{u}, \xi_i) - Q_1(\mathbf{u}, \xi_i)]$$

- Decreases the overall variance and improves the convergence constant
- Can we construct better surrogates and improve the rate?

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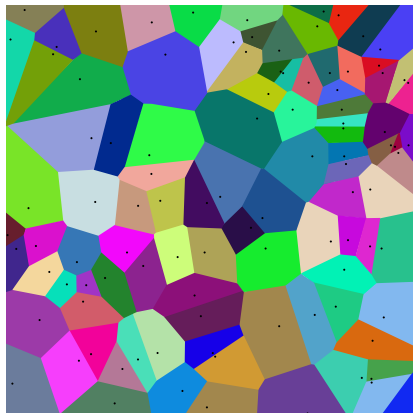


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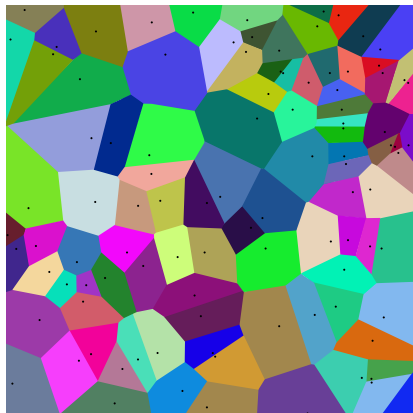


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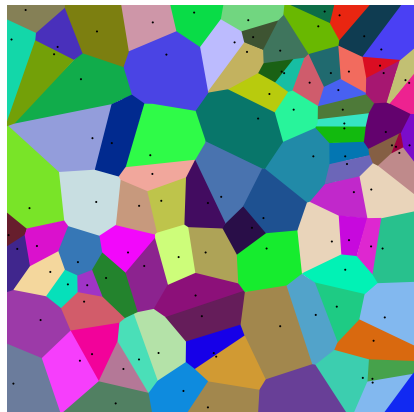


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- Surrogate construction cost:  
 $\mathcal{O}(N_s N_{ss}) \leq \mathcal{O}(N_s N_{\text{dofs}}^k)$

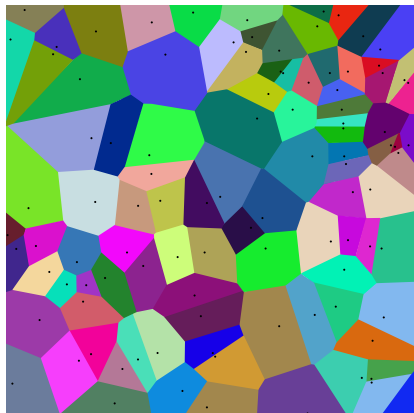
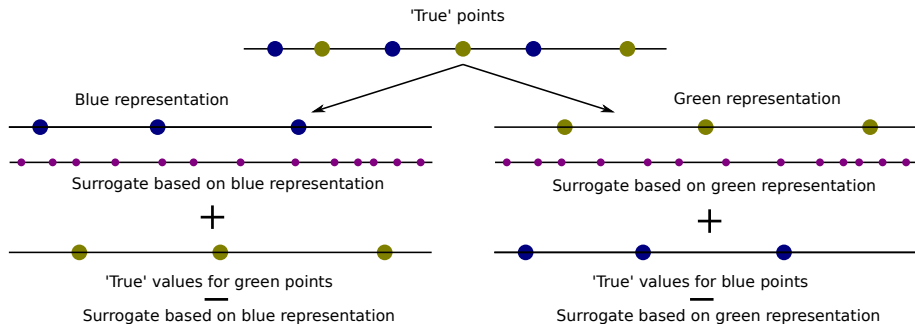
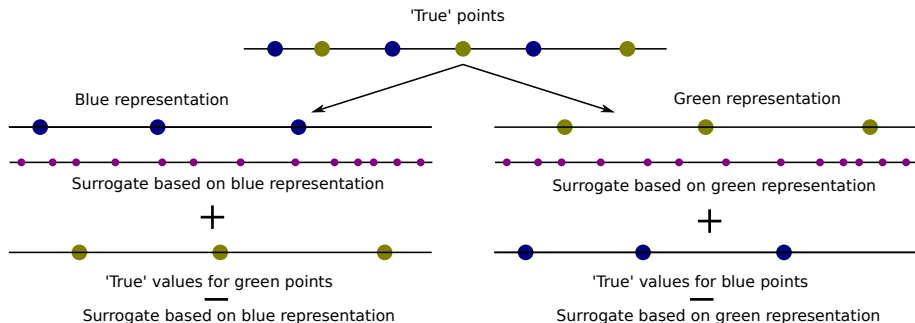


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## Estimator for the mean

$$\frac{1}{N_R} \sum_{r=1}^{N_R} \left( \frac{1}{N_{ss}} \sum_{l=1}^{N_{ss}} Q_{r,1}(\xi_l) + \frac{1}{N_s - \frac{N_s}{N_R}} \sum_{c=1}^{N_s - \frac{N_s}{N_R}} (Q(\xi_c) - Q_{r,1}(\xi_c)) \right)$$

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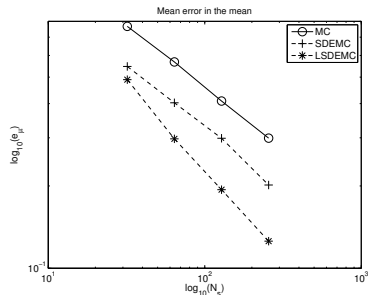
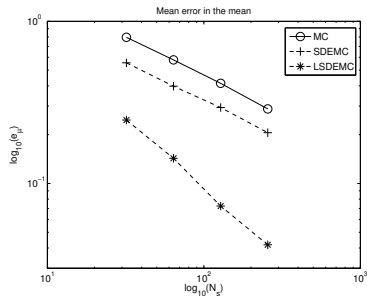
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$$\text{In 1-d, } E(\xi^i) = \frac{1}{N_s p(0)} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{N_s^2}\right)$$

$$\text{In higher dimensions, } E(\xi^j) = \frac{1}{N_s^{\frac{1}{d}} p(\mathbf{0})} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{N_s^{\frac{2}{d}}}\right)$$

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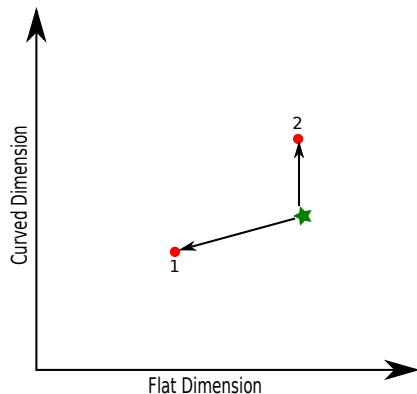


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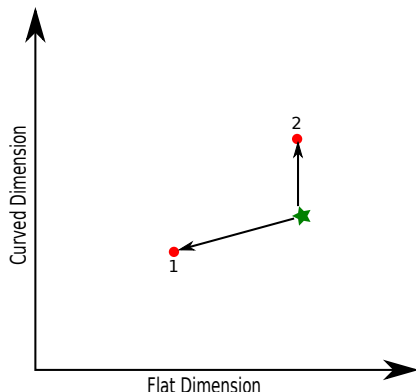


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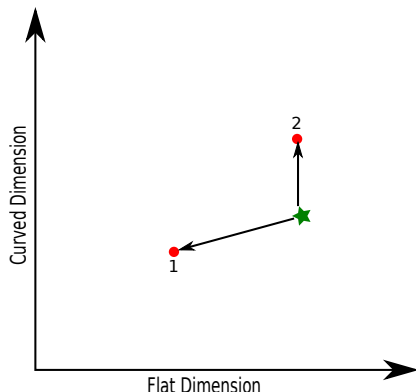


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# Local Sensitivity Hessian Enhanced Monte Carlo

- Same algorithm as LSDEMC, but metric for Voronoi cell construction:  $|(\xi_{ss} - \xi_s)^T H^s (\xi_{ss} - \xi_s)|$
- Rank of  $H^s$  gives local dimensionality
- If function is of globally lower dimension, should converge with the rate associated with that lower dimension



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16	0.1916	0.2189	0.0384
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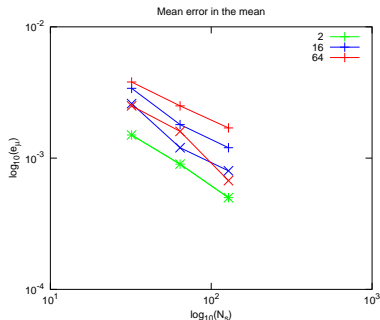
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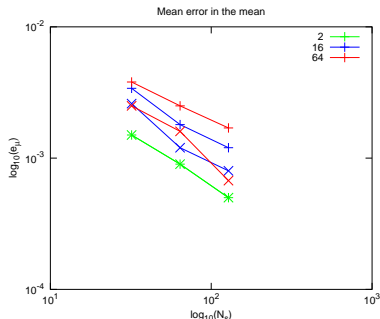
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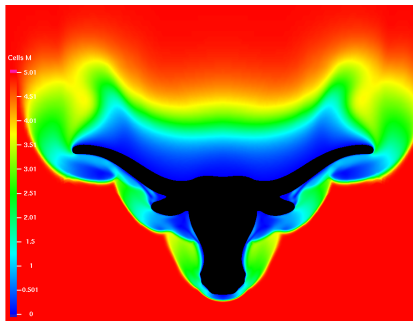
d	MC	LSDEMC	LSHEMC
4	0.48	0.79	0.79
16	0.51	0.75	0.85
64	0.55	0.58	0.94



# Where we stand

- Improved Monte Carlo convergence + Automatic Dimension Reduction
- Adjoint provide inexpensive sensitivities for surrogates, and can provide Hessians
- Can full Hessian construction be avoided ?

## Questions ?



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