

# The $L_2$ -discrepancy of Latin hypercubes

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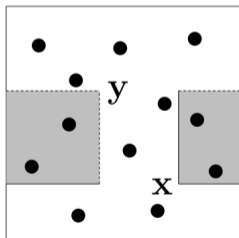
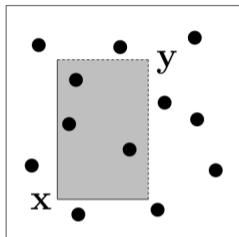
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## Extremal and periodic $L_2$ -discrepancy

$$X \subseteq [0, 1)^d, \#X = N$$

$$\begin{aligned} L_2^{\text{extr}}(X)^2 &:= \iint_{\mathbf{x} < \mathbf{y}} (\#(X \cap [\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})) - N|[\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}]|)^2 \, d\mathbf{x} \, d\mathbf{y} \\ &= \frac{N^2}{12^d} - \frac{N}{2^{d-1}} \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in X} \prod_{k=1}^d x_k (1 - x_k) \end{aligned}$$

$$+ \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in X} \prod_{k=1}^d (\min\{x_k, y_k\} - x_k y_k)$$

$$\begin{aligned} L_2^{\text{per}}(X)^2 &:= \iint (\#(X \cap [\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})) - N|[\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}]|)^2 \, d\mathbf{x} \, d\mathbf{y} \\ &= -\frac{N^2}{3^d} + \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in X} \prod_{k=1}^d \left( \frac{1}{2} - |x_k - y_k| + |x_k - y_k|^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

## What's known?

[Hinrichs, Kritzing, Pillichshammer]:  
For **rational lattices** and **Hammersley sets**:

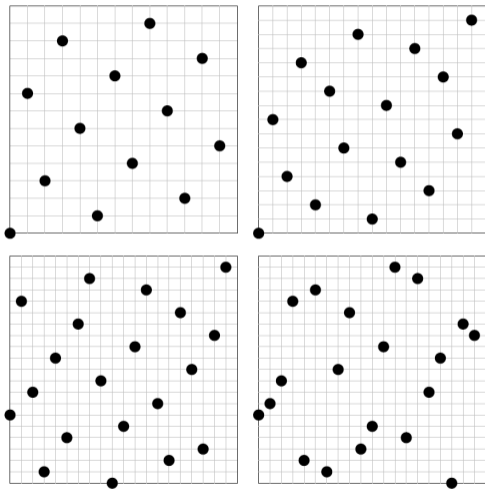
$$L_2^{\text{per}}(X)^2 - 4L_2^{\text{extr}}(X)^2 = \frac{N^2 + 1}{18N^2}$$

## What's new? [N.]

Holds for all **permutation sets**

$$X = \left\{ \left( \frac{m}{N}, \frac{\sigma(m)}{N} \right) : m = 0, 1, \dots, N-1 \right\},$$

$\sigma : \{0, 1, \dots, N-1\} \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, N-1\}$  an arbitrary permutation.



## Latin hypercubes

$\mathcal{H} \subseteq G := \frac{1}{M}\{0, 1, \dots, M-1\}^d$ , one point from each row of the **discretized torus**  $G$ ,  
 $\#\mathcal{H} = N = M^{d-1}$ .

### Theorem 1: Precise relation extremal vs periodic [N.]

$$L_2^{\text{per}}(\mathcal{H})^2 - 2^d L_2^{\text{extr}}(\mathcal{H})^2 = \frac{(2M^2 + 1)^d + (M^2 - 1)^d - (1 + 2^d)M^{2d}}{6^d M^2} = \Theta\left(M^{2(d-2)}\right)$$

### Theorem 2: Formula for Latin hypercubes [N.]

$$L_2^{\text{per}}(\mathcal{H})^2 = -\frac{N^2}{3^d} + \sum_{\mathbf{f} \in G} \mu_{\mathbf{f}} \left| \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{H}} \exp\left(2\pi i M \cdot \mathbf{f}^\top \mathbf{x}\right) \right|^2,$$

$$\mu_{\mathbf{f}} = \prod_{k=1}^d \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{6M^2} & , f_k = 0 \\ \frac{1}{2M^2 \sin^2(\pi f_k)} & , f_k \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

## Lower bound [N.]

$$L_2^{\text{per}}(\mathcal{H}) \geq \left(\frac{d}{2 \cdot 3^d}\right)^{1/2} N^{\frac{d-2}{d-1}}, \quad L_2^{\text{extr}}(\mathcal{H}) \geq \left(\frac{d}{12^d}\right)^{1/2} (1 - o(1)) N^{\frac{d-2}{d-1}}$$

$d = 2$  (permutation sets): Candidates for (approximate) global minimizers.

$d = 3$ : Same order as random  $O(\sqrt{N})$ .

## Upper bound [N.]

$$\mathbb{E}L_2^{\text{per}}(\mathcal{H})^2 = \frac{(M-1)(M+1)^d + (2M^2+1)^d - 2^d M^{2d}}{6^d M^2} = \Theta\left(M^{\max\{d-1, 2(d-2)\}}\right)$$

For  $d \geq 4$ :

$$\exists \mathcal{H} : L_2^{\text{per}}(\mathcal{H}) \leq \left(\frac{d}{2 \cdot 3^d}\right)^{1/2} (1 + o(1)) N^{\frac{d-2}{d-1}}$$

**Asymptotically tight!**