

QMC for unbounded integrands

Classical QMC:

1.) Let $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a low-discrepancy sequence (LDS) in $[0, 1]^d$

$$D_n^*(x) \leq C \frac{\log(n)^d}{n}$$

2.) Let $f: [0, 1]^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function of bounded variation in the sense of Hardy & Krause.

Then

$$\left| \int_{[0, 1]^d} f(x) dx - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N f(x_n) \right| \leq V(f) C \frac{\log(n)^d}{n} \rightarrow 0$$

If, instead of 2., $f: [0,1]^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is Riemann-integrable, then still

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N f(x_n) \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \int_{[0,1]^d} f(x) dx$$

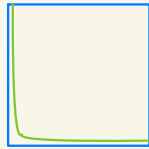
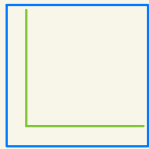
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Even if f is very regular, but unbounded, then anything can happen:

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N f(x_n) \begin{cases} \bullet \text{ does not exist} \\ \bullet \in \{-\infty, \infty\} \\ \bullet \text{ equals } \int_{[0,1]^d} f(x) dx \\ \bullet \text{ equals } a \in \mathbb{R}, a \neq \int_{[0,1]^d} f(x) dx \end{cases}$$

We need more than low discrepancy from the sequence!

Sobol' 1973, Hartinger, Kuehner, Tidy 2004,
Owen 2004, Hartinger, Kuehner, Ziegler 2005, ...
consider "corner avoiding property" CAP
rep. properties



Halton -, Sobol' -, Faure -, Niederreiter -
sequences all have CAPs.