

# Local Reliability Based Sensitivity Analysis with the Moving Particles Method

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# Summary

## ■ Local reliability based sensitivity analysis:

- Dependence of the failure probability on model parameters

$$P_F = \int_{g(x) < 0} p(x) dx$$

- Obtain partial derivatives of  $P_F$  with respect to the model parameters
- **Objective: Less function evaluations than finite differences**

## ■ Solution:

- Score function approach, consider sensitivity w.r.t. parameters of the pdf  $p(x)$
- Estimation of the failure probability: moving particles method

## ■ No additional function evaluations are necessary; but: c.o.v. of the estimator increases due to the low number of particles

-> necessity for a multilevel approach

# Introduction

- Subset Simulation



$$P_F = \prod_{i=1}^{M_T} P(F_i|F_{i-1}) = \prod_{i=1}^{M_T} P_i$$

- Moving Particles



# Moving Particles (A. Guyader et al., AMO 64, 2011)

- Maximum number of domains for subset simulation?
- Consider  $N_P$  initial samples  $X_i$  and compute  $g_i = g(X_i)$
- Rank the samples according to the value  $g_i$
- Move sample  $X_j$  with  $g_j = \max g(X_i)$  (or the  $k$  samples with maximal  $g_i$ )
  - move: apply MCMC starting from one of the remaining samples
  - accept, if  $g_i^* < g_i$
- The number of moves to get a sample into the failure domain follows a Poisson distribution with parameter  $\lambda = -\log P_F$
- Count moves for each initial sample, estimate  $\lambda$

$$\hat{\lambda} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^N M_j}{N_P}$$

$$\hat{P}_F = \exp(-\hat{\lambda}) = \left(\frac{N-1}{N}\right)^{M_T}$$

# Comparison

	Subset Simulation	Particle Method
parallel implementation	+	+
number of moves per step	high	low
number of possible seeds	low	high
burn-in	+	-

# Local Reliability Analysis

- Starting point 
$$\frac{\partial P_F}{\partial \theta} = P_F \sum_{i=1}^{M_T} \frac{1}{P_i} \frac{\partial P_i}{\partial \theta}$$

with the conditional probabilities

$$P_i = \int I_{g < g_i}(x) p(x | G < g_{i-1}) dx = \int I_{g < g_i}(x) \frac{I_{g < g_{i-1}}(x) p(x)}{P(G < g_{i-1})} dx.$$

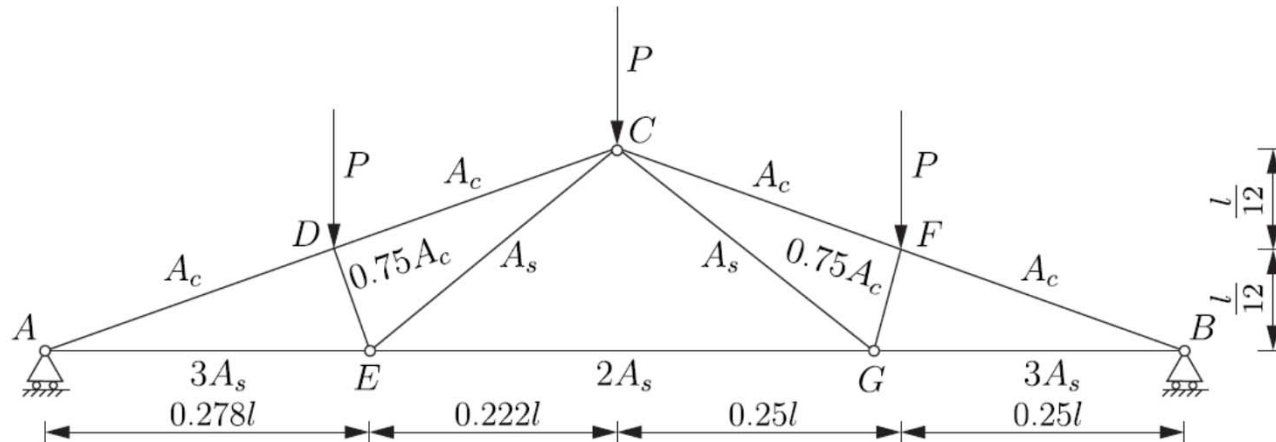
- Compute the partial derivatives of the conditional probabilities

$$\frac{\partial P_i}{\partial \theta} = E_{G < g_{i-1}} \left[ I_{g < g_i}(x) \frac{\partial \ln p(x)}{\partial \theta} \right] - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \frac{1}{P_j} \frac{\partial P_j}{\partial \theta}$$

- Finally, as  $\hat{P}_1 = \hat{P}_2 = \dots = \hat{P}_{M_T}$ :

$$\frac{\partial \hat{P}_F}{\partial \theta} = \left( \frac{N-1}{N} \right)^{M_T-1} \left( \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N I_{g < g_{M_T}}(x_j^{(M_T)}) \frac{\partial \ln p(x)}{\partial \theta} \Big|_{x=x_j^{(M_T)}} \right)$$

# Example: Roof Truss Structure



$$g(q, \ell, A_C, E_C, A_S, E_S) = 0.03 - \frac{q\ell^2}{2} \left( \frac{3.81}{A_C E_C} + \frac{1.13}{A_S E_S} \right)$$

	$q$ [N/m]	$\ell$ [m]	$A_C$ [m <sup>2</sup> ]	$E_C$ [N/m <sup>2</sup> ]	$A_S$ [m <sup>2</sup> ]	$E_S$ [N/m <sup>2</sup> ]
mean value	20000	12	0.04	$2 \times 10^{10}$	$9.82 \times 10^{-4}$	$1 \times 10^{11}$
std. dev.	1400	0.12	0.0048	$1.2 \times 10^9$	$5.892 \times 10^{-5}$	$6 \times 10^9$

# Example: Roof Truss Structure

	$P_F$	$\frac{\partial P_F}{\partial m_q}$	$\frac{\partial P_F}{\partial m_\ell}$	$\frac{\partial P_F}{\partial m_{AC}}$	$\frac{\partial P_F}{\partial m_{EC}}$	$\frac{\partial P_F}{\partial m_{AS}}$	$\frac{\partial P_F}{\partial m_{ES}}$
estimate	0.00937	1.10e-5	0.0403	-2.110	-3.71e-12	-186	-1.81e-12
elasticity		23.5	51.9	-9.1	-8.0	-19.6	-19.5
c.o.v.	0.05	0.05	0.08	-0.06	-0.08	-0.07	-0.06
rel. error [%]	0.5	0.7	0.9	1.0	1.2	0.1	0.6
		$\frac{\partial P_F}{\partial \sigma_q}$	$\frac{\partial P_F}{\partial \sigma_\ell}$	$\frac{\partial P_F}{\partial \sigma_{AC}}$	$\frac{\partial P_F}{\partial \sigma_{EC}}$	$\frac{\partial P_F}{\partial \sigma_{AS}}$	$\frac{\partial P_F}{\partial \sigma_{ES}}$
estimate		1.57e-5	0.0182	2.5047	1.93e-12	204	1.99e-12
elasticity		2.4	0.2	1.3	0.2	1.3	1.3
c.o.v.		0.06	0.22	0.08	0.20	0.09	0.09
rel. error [%]		2.9	1.4	1.3	3.4	0.8	1.0



# Example: High-dimensional Problem

- Performance function

$$g(X) = \frac{1}{1000 + \sum_{i=1}^{100} X_i} - \frac{1}{1000 + 3\sqrt{100}},$$

- $X_i$ : standard normal, correlation  $\rho$

$\rho = 0$	$P_F$	$\frac{\partial P_F}{\partial m}$	$\frac{\partial P_F}{\sigma}$
estimate	1.35e-3	4.44e-2	1.32e-2
c.o.v.	0.069	0.069	0.083
rel. error [%]	0.3	0.1	1.0

$\rho = 0.5$	$P_F$	$\frac{\partial P_F}{\partial m}$	$\frac{\partial P_F}{\sigma}$
estimate	0.336	0.514	0.156
c.o.v.	0.024	0.027	0.70
rel. error [%]	0.1	0.1	1.3

# Multilevel extension

- Family of performance functions:

$$\{g_i(x)\}, i = 0, \dots, n, g_n(x) = g(x)$$

- Rewrite the expectation

$$E_{G < g_{M_T-1}} [I_{g < g_{M_T}} \frac{\partial \ln p(x)}{\partial \theta}]$$

as a telescoping sum

$$E_{G_0 < g_{M_T-1}} [I_{g_0 < g_{M_T}} \frac{\partial \ln p(x)}{\partial \theta}] + \sum_{i=1}^n E_{G_{i-1} < g_{M_T-1}} [I_{g_i < g_{M_T}} \frac{\partial \ln p(x)}{\partial \theta} - I_{g_{i-1} < g_{M_T}} \frac{\partial \ln p(x)}{\partial \theta}]$$

and estimate each expectation separately

## Example: Burgers' equation

- Nonlinear SPDE 
$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \alpha(x, \theta) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

- KL expansion, viscosity: 
$$\alpha(x, \theta) = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^M \sqrt{\lambda_i} f_i(x) \xi_i(\theta)$$

- Exponential covariance Kernel, standard normal random variables

- Polynomial chaos expansion: 
$$u(x, t, \xi) = \sum_{i=0}^P u_i(x, t) \psi_i(\xi)$$

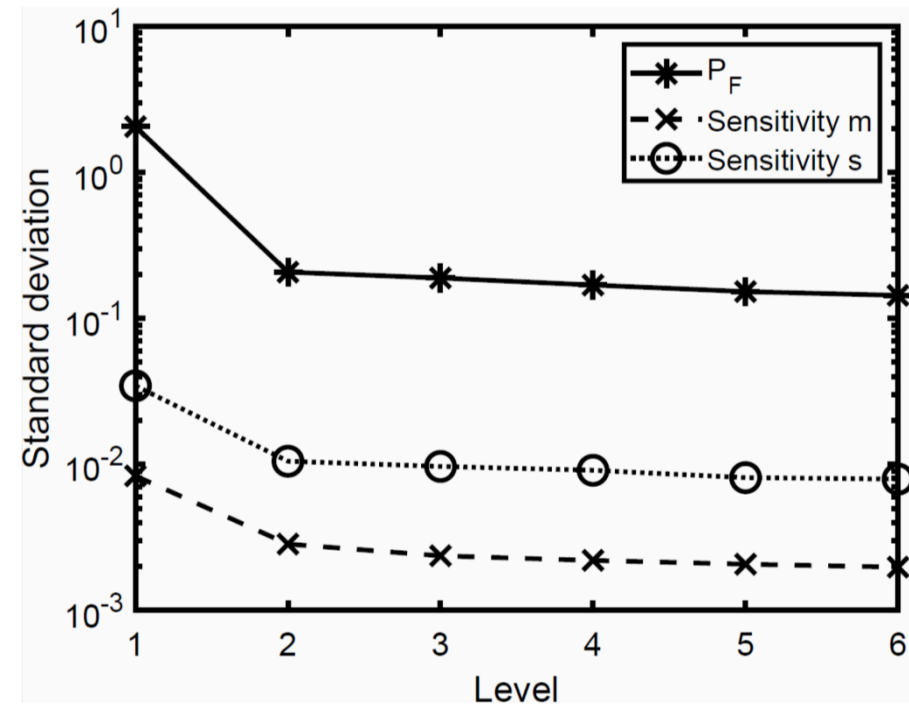
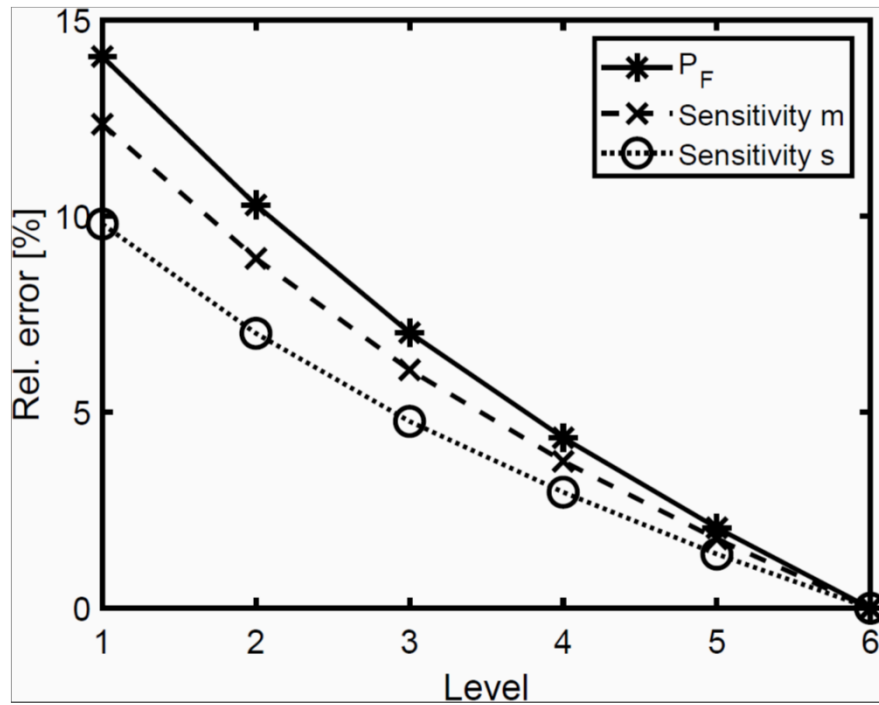
- PDEs for the expansion coefficients:

$$\sum_{i=0}^P \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t} \psi_i(\xi) + \sum_{i=0}^P u_i \psi_i(\xi) \sum_{j=0}^P \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x} \psi_j = \left(1 + \sum_{i=1}^M \sqrt{\lambda_i} f_i(x) \xi_i(\theta)\right) \left(\sum_{i=0}^P \frac{\partial^2 u_i}{\partial x^2} \psi_i(\xi)\right)$$

- Galerkin scheme, finite differences

# Example: Burgers' equation

Failure:  $u(x = 0.5, t = T) > 0.42$



# Conclusions

- A local reliability based sensitivity analysis based on the moving particles method has been introduced.
- The sensitivity analysis can be carried out in a single postprocessing step after the last particle has been moved into the failure domain.
- Due to the relatively low number of particles on which the estimator is based, the coefficient of variation should be further decreased.
- A multilevel method helps to reduce the standard deviation of the estimator and thus to improve the efficiency of the sensitivity analysis.
- Additional savings due to nested approximations (not considered here)

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