

New estimation of Sobol' indices using kernels

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Framework

In this talk, we consider the following **black-box model** :

$$Y = f(V_1, \dots, V_p),$$

where $f: E = E_1 \times E_2 \times \dots \times E_p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ is an unknown and deterministic function.

Main assumptions

- 1 V_1, \dots, V_p are independent.
- 2 $\mathbb{E}[\|Y\|^2] < \infty$.
- 3 Y is scalar (here, for sake of simplicity).

The so-called Sobol' indices

Classically to quantify the amount of **randomness** that a variable or a group of variables **bring** to Y , one computes the so-called **Sobol' indices**.

For instance, the first order Sobol' and the total Sobol' indices with respect to $V_{\mathbf{u}} = (V_i, i \in \mathbf{u})$ is given by

$$S^{\mathbf{u}} = \frac{\text{Var}(\mathbb{E}[Y|V_{\mathbf{u}}])}{\text{Var}(Y)} \quad \text{and} \quad S^{\mathbf{u}, Tot} = 1 - S^{\sim \mathbf{u}} = 1 - \frac{\text{Var}(\mathbb{E}[Y|V_{\sim \mathbf{u}}])}{\text{Var}(Y)}$$

(assuming Y is scalar).

Such indices stem from the Hoeffding decomposition of the variance of f (or equivalently Y) that is assumed to lie in L^2 .

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Pick-Freeze estimation of Sobol' indices (I)

To fix ideas assume for example $p = 5$, $\mathbf{u} = \{1, 2\}$ so that $\sim \mathbf{u} = \{3, 4, 5\}$.

We consider the Pick-Freeze variable $Y_{\mathbf{u}}$ defined as follows :

- draw $V = (V_1, V_2, V_3, V_4, V_5)$,
- build $V^{\mathbf{u}} = (V_1, V_2, V'_3, V'_4, V'_5)$.

Then, we compute

- $Y = f(V)$,
- $Y^{\mathbf{u}} = f(V^{\mathbf{u}})$.

A small miracle

$$\text{Var}(\mathbb{E}[Y|X]) = \text{Var}(\mathbb{E}[Y|V_{\mathbf{u}}]) = \text{Cov}(Y, Y^{\mathbf{u}}) \text{ so that } S^{\mathbf{u}} = \frac{\text{Cov}(Y, Y^{\mathbf{u}})}{\text{Var}(Y)}.$$

Pick-Freeze estimation of Sobol' indices (II)

In practice, generate two n -samples :

- one n -sample of $V : (V_j)_{j=1,\dots,n}$,
- one n -sample of $V^{\mathbf{u}} : (V_j^{\mathbf{u}})_{j=1,\dots,n}$.

Compute the code on both samples :

- $Y_j = f(V_j)$ for $j = 1, \dots, n$,
- $Y_j^{\mathbf{u}} = f(V_j^{\mathbf{u}})$ for $j = 1, \dots, n$.

Then estimate $S^{\mathbf{u}}$ by

$$S_{n,PF}^{\mathbf{u}} = \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j Y_j^{\mathbf{u}} - \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j \right) \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j^{\mathbf{u}} \right)}{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n (Y_j)^2 - \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j \right)^2}$$

Pick-Freeze scheme (III) : some statistical properties

Is the Pick-Freeze estimator a “good” estimator of the Sobol’ index ?

- Is it consistent ? **Response** : YES SLLN.
- If yes, at which rate of convergence ? **Resp.** : YES CLT (cv in \sqrt{n}).
- Is it asymptotically efficient ? **Resp.** : YES.
- Is it possible to measure its performance for a fixed n ?
Response : YES Berry-Esseen and/or concentration inequalities.

Ref. : A. Janon, T. Klein, A. Lagnoux, M. Nodet, and C. Prieur. “Asymptotic normality et efficiency of a Sobol’ index estimator”, *ESAIM P&S*, 2013.

F. Gamboa, A. Janon, T. Klein, A. Lagnoux, and C. Prieur. “Statistical Inference for Sobol’ Pick Freeze Monte Carlo method”, *Statistics*, 2015.

Drawbacks of the Pick-Freeze estimation

- The cost (= number of evaluations of the function f) of the estimation of the p first-order Sobol' indices is quite expensive : $(p+1)n$.
- This methodology is based on a particular design of experiment that may not be available in practice. For instance, when the practitioner only has access to real data.



We are interested in an estimator based on a n -sample only.

Mighty estimation based on ranks (I)

Here we assume that the inputs V_i for $i = 1, \dots, p$ are **scalar** and we want to estimate the Sobol' index S^i with respect to $X = V_i$:

$$S^i = \frac{\text{Var}(\mathbb{E}[Y|V_i])}{\text{Var}(Y)} = \frac{\text{Var}(\mathbb{E}[Y|X])}{\text{Var}(Y)}.$$

To do so, we consider a n -sample of the input/output pair (X, Y) given by

$$(X_1, Y_1), (X_2, Y_2), \dots, (X_n, Y_n).$$

The pairs $(X_{(1)}, Y_{(1)}), (X_{(2)}, Y_{(2)}), \dots, (X_{(n)}, Y_{(n)})$ are rearranged in such a way that

$$X_{(1)} < \dots < X_{(n)}.$$

Mighty estimation based on ranks (II)

We introduce

$$S_{n,Rank}^i = \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} Y_{(j)} Y_{(j+1)} - \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j \right)^2}{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j^2 - \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j \right)^2}.$$

Statistical properties

- Consistency : OK.
- Central Limit Theorem : OK.

Ref. : S. Chatterjee. "A new coefficient of Correlation", *JASA*, 2020.

F. Gamboa, P. Gremaud, T. Klein, and A. Lagnoux. "Global Sensitivity Analysis : a new generation of mighty estimators based on rank statistics", *Bernoulli*. 2022.

Efficient estimation based on kernels

Ref. : S. da Veiga and F. Gamboa. "Efficient estimation of sensitivity indices", *Journal of Nonparametric Statistics*, 2013.

Here again we assume that the inputs V_i for $i = 1, \dots, p$ are **scalar**.

To do so, the initial n -sample is split into two samples of sizes

- $n_1 = \lfloor n / \log n \rfloor \Rightarrow$ estimation of the joint density of (V, Y)
- $n_2 = n - n_1 \approx n \Rightarrow$ Monte-Carlo estimation of the integral involved in the quantity of interest.

Statistical properties

- Consistency : OK.
- Central Limit Theorem : OK.
- Asymptotic efficiency : OK.

Estimation based on nearest neighbors

Ref. : L. Devroye, L. Györfi, G. Lugosi, and H. Walk. "A nearest neighbor estimate of the residual variance", *EJS*, 2018.

Here the input X with respect we want to compute the Sobol' index is allowed to have dimension d .

To do so, the initial n -sample is split into two samples of sizes

- $n/2 \Rightarrow$ estimation of the regression function $\mathbb{E}[Y|X = x]$ using the first NN of x among the points of the first sample ;
- $n/2 \Rightarrow$ plug-in estimator.

Statistical properties

- Consistency : OK
- Central Limit Theorem : OK only for $d \leq 3$.

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Recall that

$$S^X = \frac{\text{Var}(\mathbb{E}[Y|X])}{\text{Var}(Y)}$$

allowing a multidimensional X living in a compact set : $X \in \mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$.

To estimate $\mathbb{E}[Y]$ and $\text{Var}(Y)$ from the n -sample $(Y_j)_{j=1,\dots,n}$ of the output Y , we will naturally use the classical empirical mean and variance respectively.

☞ Thus we focus on the estimation of $\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[Y|X]^2]$ from the n -sample $(X_j, Y_j)_{j=1,\dots,n}$ of the pair (X, Y) .

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A natural estimator inspired from the NN and kernel-based plug-in estimators would be

$$\binom{n}{2}^{-1} \sum_{1 \leq j < j' \leq n} \frac{Y_j Y_{j'}}{2} \left(\frac{K_{h_n}(X_{j'} - X_j)}{f_X(X_j)} + \frac{K_{h_n}(X_j - X_{j'})}{f_X(X_{j'})} \right)$$

for a bandwidth $h_n > 0$ and a kernel K_{h_n} .

Nevertheless, boundary issues appear when the input domain is compact.

New estimation based on kernels

To bypass this issue, we consider the following kernel-based estimator

$$T_{n,h_n} = \binom{n}{2}^{-1} \sum_{1 \leq j < j' \leq n} \frac{Y_j Y_{j'}}{2} \left(\frac{K_{h_n} \circ A_{X_j}(X_{j'} - X_j)}{f_X(X_j)} + \frac{K_{h_n} \circ A_{X_{j'}}(X_j - X_{j'})}{f_X(X_{j'})} \right).$$

for a bandwidth $h_n > 0$, a mirror-type transformation A_x , and a kernel K_{h_n} .

We introduce the functions

$$g_1(x) = \mathbb{E}[Y|X = x] \quad \text{and} \quad g_2(x) = \mathbb{E}[Y^2|X = x].$$

The supremum norm is denoted by $\|\cdot\|_\infty$.

Multi-index notation and smoothness

For any d and $\beta = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_d) \in \mathbb{R}_+^d$, we define the integer part of β by

$$\lfloor \beta \rfloor = (\lfloor \beta_1 \rfloor, \dots, \lfloor \beta_d \rfloor) =: \gamma \in \mathbb{N}^d.$$

In addition, we introduce, for any $v \in \mathbb{R}^d$,

$$|\gamma| = \gamma_1 + \dots + \gamma_d, \quad \gamma! = \gamma_1! \dots \gamma_d!, \quad \text{and} \quad v^\beta = v_1^{\beta_1} \dots v_d^{\beta_d}.$$

Let $\alpha > 0$. We define $\mathcal{C}^\alpha(\mathcal{D}) = \{\phi: \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ with derivatives up to order } \lfloor \alpha \rfloor \text{ and partial derivative of order } \lfloor \alpha \rfloor \text{ is } \alpha - \lfloor \alpha \rfloor\text{-H\"older}\}$.

Namely, there exists $C_\phi > 0$ such that, for any x and $x' \in \mathcal{D}$, one has

$$\left| \frac{\partial^\beta \phi}{\partial x^\beta}(x) - \frac{\partial^\beta \phi}{\partial x^\beta}(x') \right| \leq C_\phi \|x - x'\|_\infty^{\alpha - \lfloor \alpha \rfloor}$$

for any $\beta \in \mathbb{N}^d$ such that $|\beta| = \lfloor \alpha \rfloor$.

Assumptions

- (A1) **Support** The support of inputs $V = (V_1, \dots, V_p)$ is of the form $[B_1, C_1] \times \dots \times [B_p, C_p]$ where $B_i < C_i$ for all $1 \leq i \leq p$.
- (A2) **Absolute continuity** The distribution of the random vector $(V, Y) \in \mathbb{R}^p \times \mathbb{R}$ is absolutely continuous with respect to the Lebesgue measure. The marginal pdf of (X, Y) , V , X , and W are denoted by $f_{X,Y}$, f_V , f_X , and f_W respectively.
- (A3) **Kernel** Let $K: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a kernel with support included in \mathcal{D} such that $\|K\|_\infty < +\infty$ and $\int_{\mathcal{D}} K(u) du = 1$. We assume that K is of order $[\alpha]$ which means that $\int_{\mathcal{D}} u^\beta K(u) du = 0$ for any $\beta \in \mathbb{N}^d$ such that $0 < |\beta| \leq [\alpha]$. Finally, we define $K_h(x) = K(x/h)/h^d$ for any $x \in \mathcal{D}$.
- (A4) **Bandwidth** The sequence $(h_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of bandwidths is positive and $h_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Mirror-type transformation

The next definition allows to circumvent the boundary issues.

(D1) For $x \in \mathcal{D}$, we define

$$A_x: \begin{cases} \mathbb{R}^d & \rightarrow \\ u = (u_1, \dots, u_d) & \mapsto (\sigma_1(x_1)u_1, \dots, \sigma_d(x_d)u_d) \end{cases} \mathbb{R}^d$$

with $\sigma_i(s) := 1 - 2\mathbb{1}\left(\frac{B_i + C_i}{2}, C_i\right)(s) \in \{-1, 1\}$.

Observe that $\mathcal{A} = \{A_x, x \in \mathcal{D}\}$ is a finite subset of $GL_d(\mathbb{R})$, $\mathcal{A} = \{A_1, \dots, A_\kappa\}$, with cardinal $\kappa = 2^d$. Moreover, it satisfies

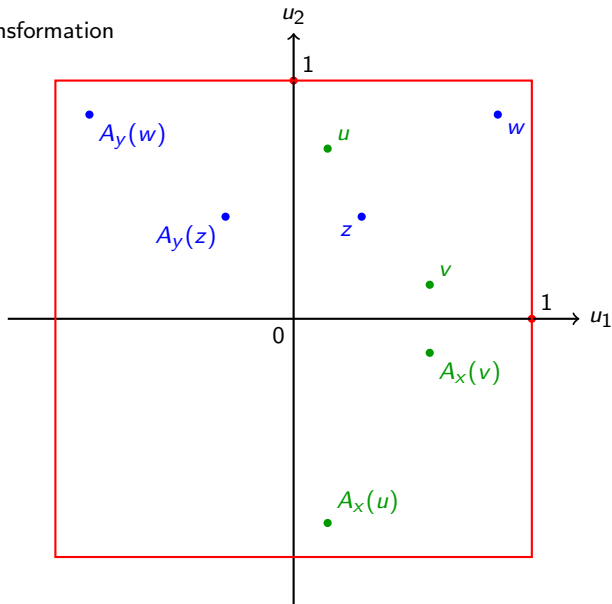
- (i) for any $\ell = 1, \dots, \kappa$, $|\det(A_\ell)| = 1$;
- (ii) **Mirror condition** : for any $x \in \mathcal{D}$, there exists $A_\ell \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $A_x = A_\ell$ and $x + A_x^{-1}([0, 1/2]^d) \subset \mathcal{D}$.

Mirror-type transformation

$$\mathcal{D} = [0, 1]^2$$

$$x = (1/3, 3/4)$$

$$y = (2/3, 1/5)$$





Theorem (Bias and quadratic controls)

1.1. Assume that $g_1 \in \mathbb{L}^1(\mathcal{D})$, $g_1 f_X \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(\mathcal{D})$, and $\int_{\mathcal{D}} \left| g_1(x) \frac{\partial^\beta (g_1 f_X)}{\partial x^\beta}(x) \right| dx < \infty$ for any β such that $1 \leq |\beta| < \lfloor \alpha \rfloor$. Then we have

$$\left| \mathbb{E}[T_{n,h_n}] - \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[Y|X]^2] \right| \leq Ch_n^\alpha.$$

1.2. Assume in addition that $g_1 \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha(\mathcal{D})$, $g_2/f_X \in \mathbb{L}^1(\mathcal{D}) \cap \mathbb{L}^2(\mathcal{D})$ and $g_2 f_X \in \mathbb{L}^2(\mathcal{D})$, and $\int_{\mathcal{D}} g_2(x) \left| \frac{\partial^\beta (g_1 f_X)}{\partial x^\beta}(x) \frac{\partial^{\beta'} (g_1 f_X)}{\partial x^{\beta'}}(x) \right| dx < \infty$ for any β and β' such that $1 \leq |\beta|, |\beta'| < \lfloor \alpha \rfloor$. Then we have

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\left(T_{n,h_n} - \mathbb{E}[T_{n,h_n}] - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Z_j \right)^2 \right] \leq Ch_n^{2\alpha} + \frac{C}{h_n^d n^2}.$$

where, for $j = 1, \dots, n$, $Z_j = 2(Y_j g_1(X_j) - \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[Y|X]^2])$.

Theorem (Central Limit Theorem)

II. Assuming in addition that $\mathbb{E}[Y^4] < \infty$, $\alpha > d/2$, $h_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$, $nh_n^d \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \infty$, and $nh_n^{2\alpha} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$, we get

$$\sqrt{n} \left(T_{n,h_n} - \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[Y|X]^2] \right) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathcal{D}} \mathcal{N}(0, 4\tau^2)$$

with $\tau^2 = \text{Var}(Yg_1(X))$.

Ref. : F. Gamboa, T. Klein, A. Lagnoux, C. Prieur, and S. da Veiga. "New estimation of Sobol' indices based on kernels". Available on Hal and Arxiv (2023). <https://hal.science/hal-04052837>.

Using the delta method, we are now able to get the asymptotic behavior of the estimation of S^X .

Corollary (CLT for the estimation of the Sobol' indices)

Under all the assumptions of the theorem (II included), one has

$$\sqrt{n} \left(\frac{T_{n,h_n} - \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j \right)^2}{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j^2 - \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j \right)^2} - S^X \right) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathcal{D}} \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2),$$

where the limit variance σ^2 has an explicit expression.

Using one more time the delta method, we deduce the asymptotic behavior of the vector containing the p first-order Sobol' indices. Let us denote S^i the first-order Sobol index associated to the i -th input and its estimator \widehat{S}^i given by :

$$\widehat{S}^i = \frac{T_{n,h_n} - \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j\right)^2}{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j^2 - \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j\right)^2}.$$

Corollary (CLT for the global estimation of the p first-order Sobol' indices)

Under all the assumptions of the theorem (II included), one has

$$\sqrt{n} \left((\widehat{S}^1, \dots, \widehat{S}^p)^T - (S^1, \dots, S^p)^T \right) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathcal{D}} \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma),$$

where the limit variance Σ has an explicit expression.

Also in the paper...

- A procedure for bandwidth selection inspired from Delyon and Portier in 2016.
- An extension to unknown density f_X in which we consider
 - parametric estimation of f_X ,
 - nonparametric estimation of f_X .

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Sketch of the proof (I)

Since $Y \in \mathbb{L}^2(\mathbb{R})$, one has

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[T_{n,h}] &= \iint_{\mathcal{D}^2} \frac{K_h \circ A_{x_1}(x_2 - x_1)}{f_X(x_1)} f_X(x_1) f_X(x_2) g_1(x_1) g_1(x_2) dx_1 dx_2 \\ &= \int_{\mathcal{D}} \int_{\mathcal{D}_x} K(u) g_1(x) g_1(x + hA_x^{-1}(u)) f_X(x + hA_x^{-1}(u)) dudx. \end{aligned}$$

In addition,

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[Y|X]^2] = \mathbb{E}[g_1^2(X)] = \int_{\mathcal{D}} g_1(x)^2 f_X(x) dx = \iint_{\mathcal{D}^2} K(u) g_1(x)^2 f_X(x) dx du$$

leading to $\mathbb{E}[T_{n,h}] - \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[Y|X]^2]$

$$= \iint_{\mathcal{D}^2} K(u) g_1(x) \left(g_1(x + hA_x^{-1}(u)) f_X(x + hA_x^{-1}(u)) - g_1(x) f_X(x) \right) dx du.$$

Sketch of the proof (II)

For all $j, j' = 1, \dots, n$, we introduce the symmetric function given by

$$R\left(\begin{pmatrix} x_j \\ y_j \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} x_{j'} \\ y_{j'} \end{pmatrix}\right) = \frac{y_j y_{j'}}{2} \left(\frac{K_{h_n} \circ A_{x_j}(x_{j'} - x_j)}{f_X(x_j)} + \frac{K_{h_n} \circ A_{x_{j'}}(x_j - x_{j'})}{f_X(x_{j'})} \right).$$

Then the Hoeffding projections of R are given by (see Pena 1999)

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_1 R\left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}\right) &= \mathbb{E}\left[R\left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} X_2 \\ Y_2 \end{pmatrix}\right)\right] - \mathbb{E}\left[R\left(\begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ Y_1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} X_2 \\ Y_2 \end{pmatrix}\right)\right] \\ \pi_2 R\left(\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}\right) &= R\left(\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}\right) - \mathbb{E}\left[R\left(\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} X_2 \\ Y_2 \end{pmatrix}\right)\right] \\ &\quad - \mathbb{E}\left[R\left(\begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} X_2 \\ Y_2 \end{pmatrix}\right)\right] + \mathbb{E}\left[R\left(\begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ Y_1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} X_2 \\ Y_2 \end{pmatrix}\right)\right]. \end{aligned}$$

Sketch of the proof (III)

Hence the Hoeffding decomposition writes

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_{n,h_n} - \mathbb{E}[T_{n,h_n}] &= 2U_n^{(1)}(\pi_1 R) + U_n^{(2)}(\pi_2 R) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \underbrace{2(Y_j g_1(X_j) - \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[Y|X]^2])}_{=Z_j} \\
 &\quad + \underbrace{2U_n^{(1)}(\pi_1 R) - \frac{2}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n (Y_j g_1(X_j) - \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[Y|X]^2])}_{=S_1} + \underbrace{U_n^{(2)}(\pi_2 R)}_{=S_2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

with $U_n^{(1)}(\pi_1 R) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n (\pi_1 R) \begin{pmatrix} X_j \\ Y_j \end{pmatrix}$

$$U_n^{(2)}(\pi_2 R) = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{1 \leq j < j' \leq n} (\pi_2 R) \left(\begin{pmatrix} X_j \\ Y_j \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} X_{j'} \\ Y_{j'} \end{pmatrix} \right) \quad (\text{Giné, Nikl '08}).$$

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Ishigami function

The Ishigami model is given by :

$$Y = f(V) = f(V_1, V_2, V_3) = \sin(V_1) + 7 \sin^2(V_2) + 0.1 V_3^4 \sin(V_1)$$

where $(V_j)_{j=1,2,3}$ are i.i.d. uniform random variables on $[-\pi; \pi]$.

One has

$$S^1 = 0.3139, S^2 = 0.4424, S^3 = 0.$$

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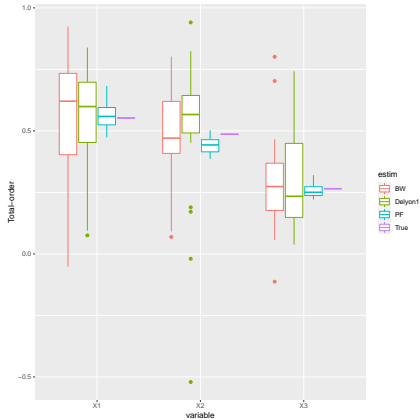
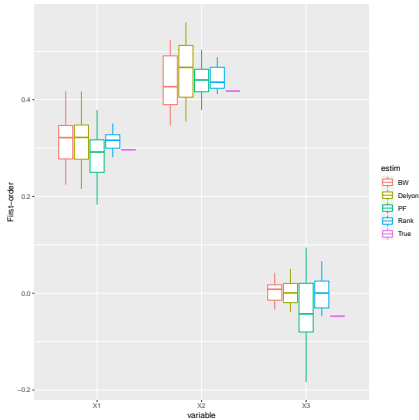
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Bratley function

Let us consider the Bratley function defined by :

$$g(V_1, \dots, V_p) = \sum_{i=1}^p (-1)^i \prod_{j=1}^i V_j,$$

with $V_i \sim \mathcal{U}([0, 1])$ i.i.d. After some tedious calculations, one gets

$$\text{Var}(Y) = \frac{1}{18} - \frac{2}{45} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^p + \frac{1}{10} \frac{1}{3^p} - \frac{1}{9} \frac{1}{2^{2p}}$$

$$S^i = \frac{\text{Var}[\mathbb{E}(Y|V_i)]}{\text{Var}(Y)} = \frac{1}{\text{Var}(Y)} \frac{\left(2^{p-i+1} - (-1)^{p-i+1}\right)^2}{2^{2p} \times 3^3}.$$

Now let us compute the total indices for $i = 1$ and 2 and $p = 5$,

$$S^{1, \text{Tot}} = 1 - \frac{1111}{3^4 \times 2^{10} \times \text{Var}(Y)} \approx 0.77, \quad S^{2, \text{tot}} = 1 - \frac{3703}{3^4 \times 2^{10} \times \text{Var}(Y)} \approx 0.22.$$

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