Monte Carlo methods and sampling for computing:

EXAM LIST OF PROGRAMMING PROJECTS AND PUBLICATIONS FOR SEMINARS

PROGRAMMING PROJECTS:

- 1) Implementation of a Poisson-disk sampling algorithm and analysis of average and variance using simple Monte-Carlo problems.
- 2) Deep Learning and Monte-Carlo: generating PDF using deep learning/reinforcement learning using a visual computing framework. This project may lead to a publication.
- 3) Implementation of Monte-Carlo for games such as chess or checkers.
- 4) Pathtracer on the GPU.
- 5) Physics simulations. For example, computing the PDF or scattering function of particles in clouds using weather models.
- 6) Exploring Rank1 sampling for QMC. This project may lead to a publication.

PUBLICATIONS:

- 1) On Solving Singular Diffusion Equations With Monte Carlo Methods: <u>https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/5530410/</u>
- 2) Why Quasi-Monte Carlo is Better Than Monte Carlo or Latin Hypercube Sampling for Statistical Circuit Analysis: <u>https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/5605333/</u>
- 3) The Square Root Rule for Adaptive Importance Sampling: https://doi.org/10.1145/3350426
- 4) Infinitely Imbalanced Logistic Regression: https://dl.acm.org/doi/10.5555/1314498.1314525
- 5) Hearthstone AI: Oops to Well Played: https://dl.acm.org/doi/10.1145/3299815.3314461
- 6) The grand challenge of computer Go: Monte Carlo tree search and extensions: https://dl.acm.org/doi/10.1145/2093548.2093574
- 7) Likelihood ratio gradient estimation for stochastic systems: https://doi.org/10.1145/84537.84552
- 8) Estimating the Spinning Reserve Requirements in Systems With Significant Wind Power Generation Penetration: <u>https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/4682642/</u>
- 9) Stochastic program optimization: https://doi.org/10.1145/2863701
- 10) Geometric tools for exploring manifolds of light transport paths: <u>https://doi.org/10.1145/2823402</u>
- 11) Variance with alternative scramblings of digital nets: https://doi.org/10.1145/945511.945518
- 12) A Survey of Monte Carlo Tree Search Methods: https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/6145622/
- 13) A simple method for generating gamma variables: https://doi.org/10.1145/358407.358414
- 14) Efficient Nash equilibrium approximation through Monte Carlo counterfactual regret minimization: <u>https://dl.acm.org/doi/10.5555/2343776.2343816</u>
- 15) Rare events, splitting, and quasi-Monte Carlo: https://doi.org/10.1145/1225275.1225280

- 16) Real-Time Price-Based Demand Response Management for Residential Appliances via Stochastic Optimization and Robust Optimization: <u>https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/6311454/</u>
- 17) Monte-Carlo Sure: A Black-Box Optimization of Regularization Parameters for General Denoising Algorithms: <u>https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/4598837/</u>
- 18) Data assimilation using sequential monte carlo methods in wildfire spread simulation: https://doi.org/10.1145/2379810.2379816
- 19) Monte Carlo Methods for Value-at-Risk and Conditional Value-at-Risk: A Review: https://doi.org/10.1145/2661631
- 20) Latin supercube sampling for very high-dimensional simulations: https://doi.org/10.1145/272991.273010
- 21) Variable-sample methods for stochastic optimization: https://doi.org/10.1145/858481.858483
- 22) Applying Monte Carlo simulation to biomedical literature to approximate genetic network: <u>https://doi.org/10.1109/TCBB.2015.2481399</u>
- 23) Green Simulation with Database Monte Carlo: https://doi.org/10.1145/3429336
- 24) Anisotropic diffusion for Monte Carlo noise reduction: https://doi.org/10.1145/318009.318015
- 25) Metropolis Light Transport for Participating Media: https://dl.acm.org/doi/10.5555/647652.732117
- 26) High-Performance Quasi-Monte Carlo Financial Simulation: FPGA vs. GPP vs. GPU: https://doi.org/10.1145/1862648.1862656
- 27) Monte Carlo Beam Search: https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/6169183
- 28) Monte Carlo modeling of light propagation in highly scattering tissues. I. Model predictions and comparison with diffusion theory: <u>https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/1173624</u>
- 29) On Monte Carlo tree search and reinforcement learning: https://dl.acm.org/doi/10.5555/3207692.3207712
- 30) Fast monte-carlo algorithms for finding low-rank approximations: https://doi.org/10.1145/1039488.1039494
- 31) Monte Carlo & Quasi-Monte Carlo approach in option pricing: https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/6268822
- 32) The No-U-turn sampler: adaptively setting path lengths in Hamiltonian Monte Carlo: https://dl.acm.org/doi/10.5555/2627435.2638586