



Reversible random number generators for adjoint Monte Carlo

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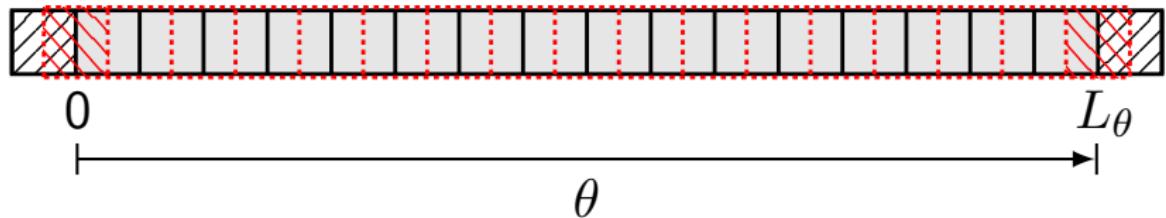
- ▶ Solution: Lagrangian $\mathcal{L}(\hat{q}, \hat{q}^*, \hat{\Omega}) = \hat{\mathcal{J}}(\hat{q}, \hat{\Omega}) + \hat{q}^{*\top} \hat{\mathcal{B}}(\hat{q}, \hat{\Omega})$

$$\hat{\mathcal{B}}(\hat{q}, \hat{\Omega}) \approx \hat{\mathcal{B}}(\hat{q}', \hat{\Omega}) + \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}}{\partial \hat{q}}(\hat{q}', \hat{\Omega})(\hat{q} - \hat{q}') = 0 \quad \text{State equation}$$

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Domain length optimization¹



$$\mathcal{J}(q, L_\theta) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{n}_\mathbf{i} b_\theta \mathbf{u}_\parallel - \Gamma_d \right)^2 \Big|_{L_\theta} + \frac{\kappa}{2} (L_\theta - L_0)^2$$

$$q = (\mathbf{n}_\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{u}_\parallel, f_\mathbf{n})^\top$$

$\mathbf{n}_\mathbf{i}$ plasma density
 \mathbf{u}_\parallel plasma velocity
 $f_\mathbf{n}$ neutral position-velocity

1: W. Dekeyser, *Optimal Plasma Edge Configurations for Next-Step Fusion Reactors*. PhD thesis (2014)

Plasma edge model

- Plasma \Rightarrow Finite volume

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(n_{\mathbf{i}} b_{\theta} u_{\parallel} \right) &= S_{n_{\mathbf{i}}} - K_{\mathrm{d}} n_{\mathbf{i}} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(m n_{\mathbf{i}} b_{\theta} u_{\parallel}^2 - \nu_{\mathrm{d}} \frac{\partial u_{\parallel}}{\partial \theta} \right) &= S_{u_{\parallel}} - b_{\theta} \frac{\partial p}{\partial \theta}\end{aligned}$$

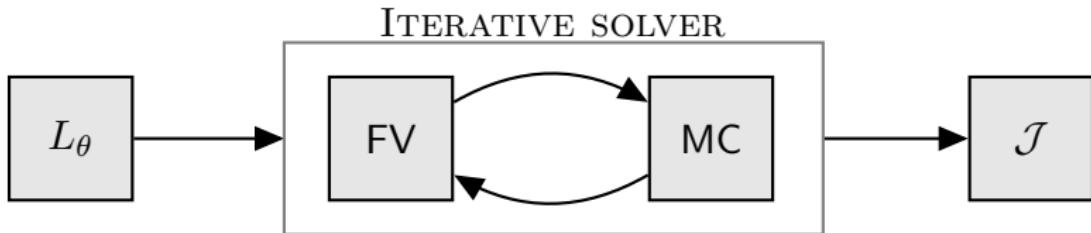
$$S_{\psi} = \int f_{\mathbf{n}}(\theta, v) \Psi(\theta, v) dv, \quad \psi \in \{n_{\mathbf{i}}/u_{\parallel}\} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{Low-dimensional}$$

- Neutrals \Rightarrow Monte Carlo

$$v \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} f_{\mathbf{n}}(\theta, v) + K_{\mathrm{i}} f_{\mathbf{n}}(\theta, v) = S_{f_{\mathbf{n}}} \left(n_{\mathbf{i}}, u_{\parallel} \right) + K_{\mathrm{cx}} \left(n_{\mathbf{n}} \mathcal{V}(v; u_{\parallel}) - f_{\mathbf{n}}(\theta, v) \right)$$

$$n_{\mathbf{n}} = \int f_{\mathbf{n}}(\theta, v) dv$$

Coupled discretization

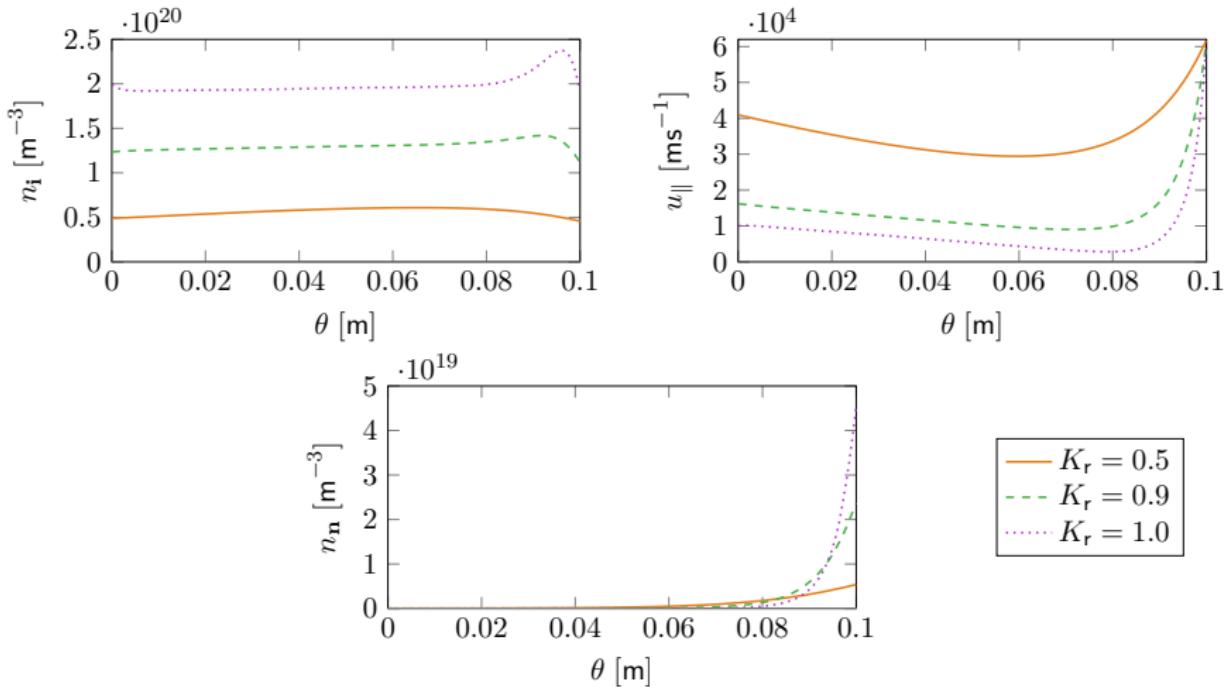


$$\hat{q} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{n}_i \\ \hat{u}_{\parallel} \\ \hat{S}_{n_i} \\ \hat{S}_{u_{\parallel}} \\ Q \end{bmatrix}$$

For all particles p , time steps n :

$$Q_{p,n} = \begin{bmatrix} X_{p,n} \\ V_{p,n} \\ W_{p,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

Reference simulation results



Monte Carlo as a matrix

- ▶ For each particle p and time step n

$$B_{p,n+1}(Q_{p,n+1}, Q_{p,n}; \hat{q}, \hat{\Omega}) = \begin{bmatrix} X_{p,n+1} - X_{p,n} - \Delta t V_{p,n} \\ V_{p,n+1} - \hat{\mathcal{Q}}(V_{p,n}, \hat{q}) \\ W_{p,n+1} - \exp(-\Delta t K_i Z_i \hat{n}_i) W_{p,n} \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

- ▶ Particle Jacobian

$$\frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_p}{\partial \hat{q}_p}(Q_p, \hat{q}, \hat{\Omega}) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial B_{p,1}}{\partial Q_{p,1}} & & & \\ & \frac{\partial B_{p,2}}{\partial Q_{p,1}} & \frac{\partial B_{p,2}}{\partial Q_{p,2}} & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & \frac{\partial B_{p,T}}{\partial Q_{p,T-1}} & \frac{\partial B_{p,T}}{\partial Q_{p,T}} \end{bmatrix}$$

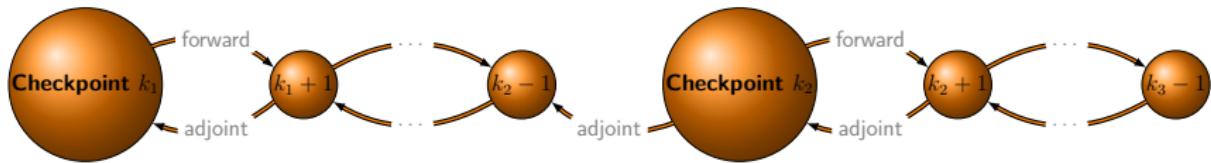
Monte Carlo adjoint

$$\frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}}{\partial \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{\text{MC}}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{n_{\mathbf{i}}}}{\partial \hat{n}_{\mathbf{i}}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{n_{\mathbf{i}}}}{\partial \hat{u}_{\parallel}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{n_{\mathbf{i}}}}{\partial \hat{S}_{n_{\mathbf{i}}}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{n_{\mathbf{i}}}}{\partial \hat{S}_{u_{\parallel}}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{n_{\mathbf{i}}}}{\partial Q} \\ \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{u_{\parallel}}}{\partial \hat{n}_{\mathbf{i}}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{u_{\parallel}}}{\partial \hat{u}_{\parallel}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{u_{\parallel}}}{\partial \hat{S}_{n_{\mathbf{i}}}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{u_{\parallel}}}{\partial \hat{S}_{u_{\parallel}}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{u_{\parallel}}}{\partial Q} \\ \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{S_{n_{\mathbf{i}}}}}{\partial \hat{n}_{\mathbf{i}}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{S_{n_{\mathbf{i}}}}}{\partial \hat{u}_{\parallel}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{S_{n_{\mathbf{i}}}}}{\partial \hat{S}_{n_{\mathbf{i}}}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{S_{n_{\mathbf{i}}}}}{\partial \hat{S}_{u_{\parallel}}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{S_{n_{\mathbf{i}}}}}{\partial Q} \\ \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{\hat{S}_{u_{\parallel}}}}{\partial \hat{n}_{\mathbf{i}}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{\hat{S}_{u_{\parallel}}}}{\partial \hat{u}_{\parallel}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{\hat{S}_{u_{\parallel}}}}{\partial \hat{S}_{n_{\mathbf{i}}}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{\hat{S}_{u_{\parallel}}}}{\partial \hat{S}_{u_{\parallel}}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{\hat{S}_{u_{\parallel}}}}{\partial Q} \\ \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_Q}{\partial \hat{n}_{\mathbf{i}}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_Q}{\partial \hat{u}_{\parallel}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_Q}{\partial \hat{S}_{n_{\mathbf{i}}}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_Q}{\partial \hat{S}_{u_{\parallel}}} & \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_Q}{\partial Q} \end{bmatrix} \hat{q}^* = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{n}_{\mathbf{i}}^* \\ \hat{u}_{\parallel}^* \\ \hat{S}_{n_{\mathbf{i}}}^* \\ \hat{S}_{u_{\parallel}}^* \\ Q^* \end{bmatrix}$$

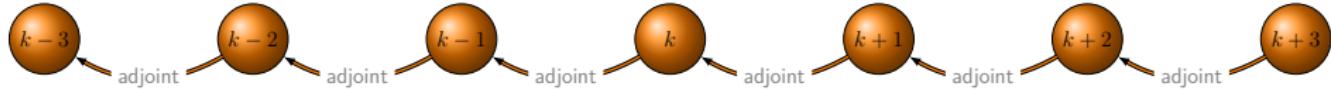
$$W_{p,n}^* = \exp(-\Delta t R_i Z_i \hat{n}_{\mathbf{i}}(X_{p,n})) W_{p,n+1}^* + \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{S_{n_{\mathbf{i}}}}}{\partial W_{p,n}}^T \hat{n}_{\mathbf{i}}^* + \frac{\partial \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{S_{u_{\parallel}}}}{\partial W_{p,n}}^T \hat{u}_{\parallel}^*.$$

Matching forward and adjoint simulations

- ▶ Same paths in forward/backward simulation
- ▶ Challenge: $P \times T$ large
- ▶ Solutions:
 - Checkpointing: 2 forward simulations + backward simulation



- Generating the paths in reverse (this work)



Reversing a random number generator

- ▶ PCG: permuted congruential generator²

- internal state ζ_z and constant vectors a, c, Z

$$\zeta_{z+1} = a\zeta_z + c \mod Z,$$

- 1-way (permutation) function generates output from ζ_z
- Passes TestU01 with flying colors

- ▶ Reversing modular operations \rightarrow reversed uniform sequence

$$\zeta_z = a^{-1}(\zeta_{z+1} - c) \mod Z,$$

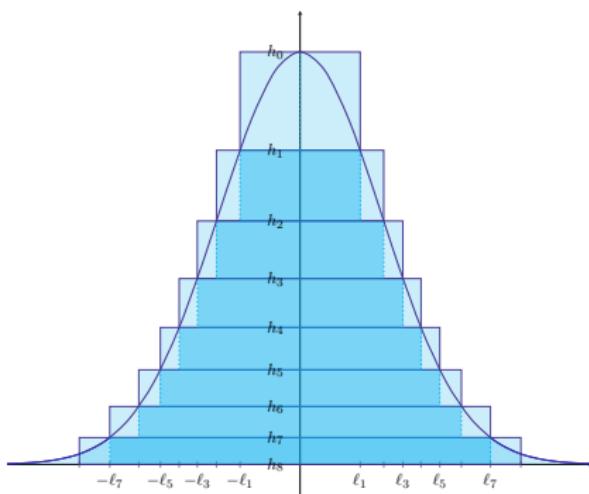
$$a^{-1} \equiv a^{m-2} \mod Z$$

- ▶ Exponential distribution through inverse transform:

$$u \sim \mathcal{U}([0, 1]) \Rightarrow -\lambda \ln(1 - u) \sim \mathcal{E}(\lambda)$$

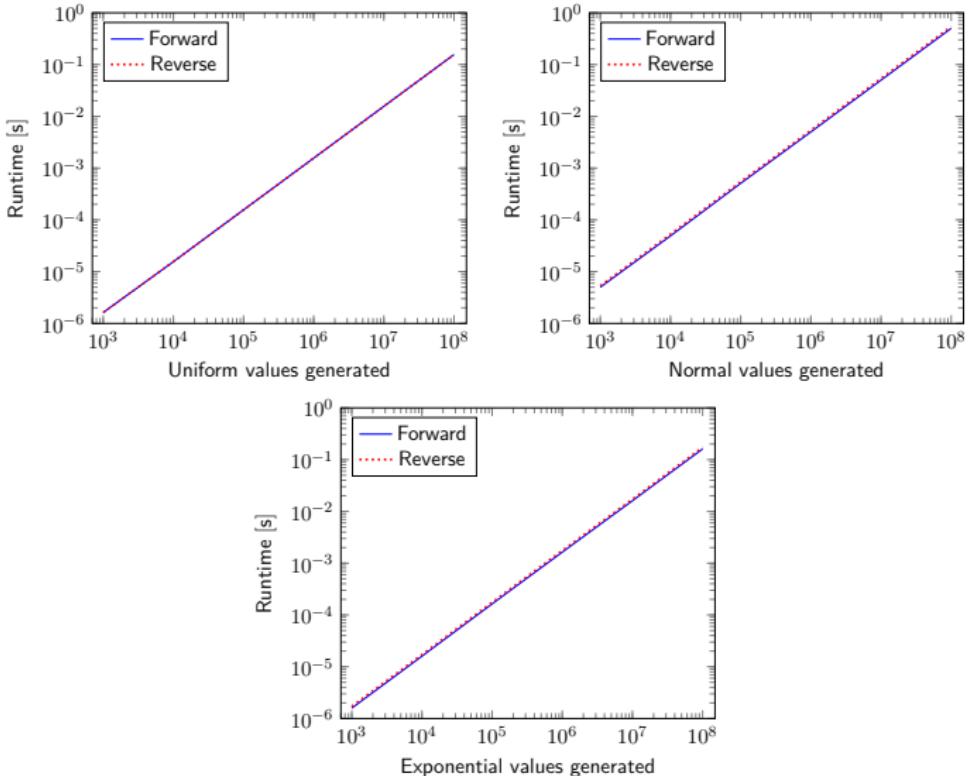
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Normal distribution through Ziggurat

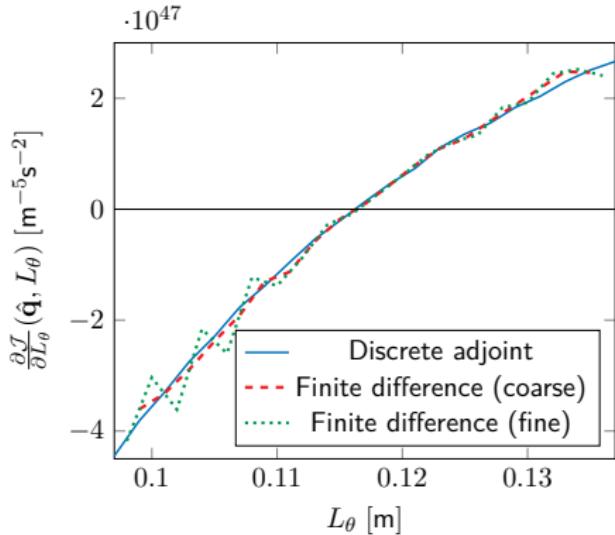
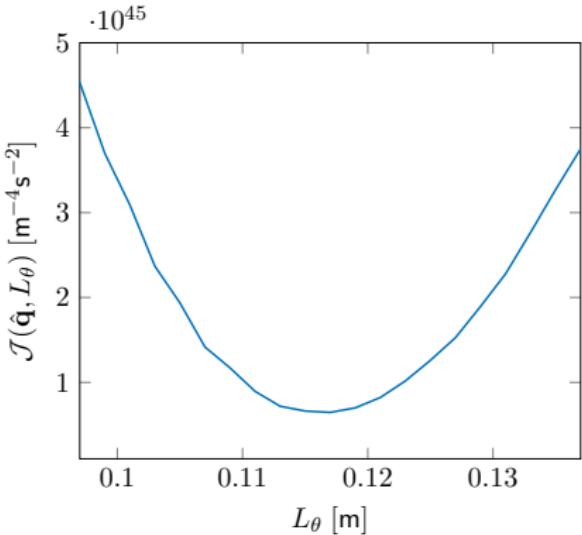


- ▶ Uses either 1, 2 or $1 + 2i$, $i = 1, 2, \dots$ uniform values
- ▶ How many depends on the first value
- ▶ Solution: Seed second generator

Generator timings



Preliminary results



	n_i -solver	u_{\parallel} -solver	Neutral solver
State	3.5×10^{-5} s	4.1×10^{-5} s	6.6 s
Adjoint	3.1×10^{-5} s	3.6×10^{-5} s	9.8 s

Generality

- ▶ Works in principle for time stepping linear in \hat{q}
- ▶ ... but adjoint can be tricky to implement, e.g.
 - Reflections
 - Collisions in batched simulations
- ▶ Combination with AD still open question



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