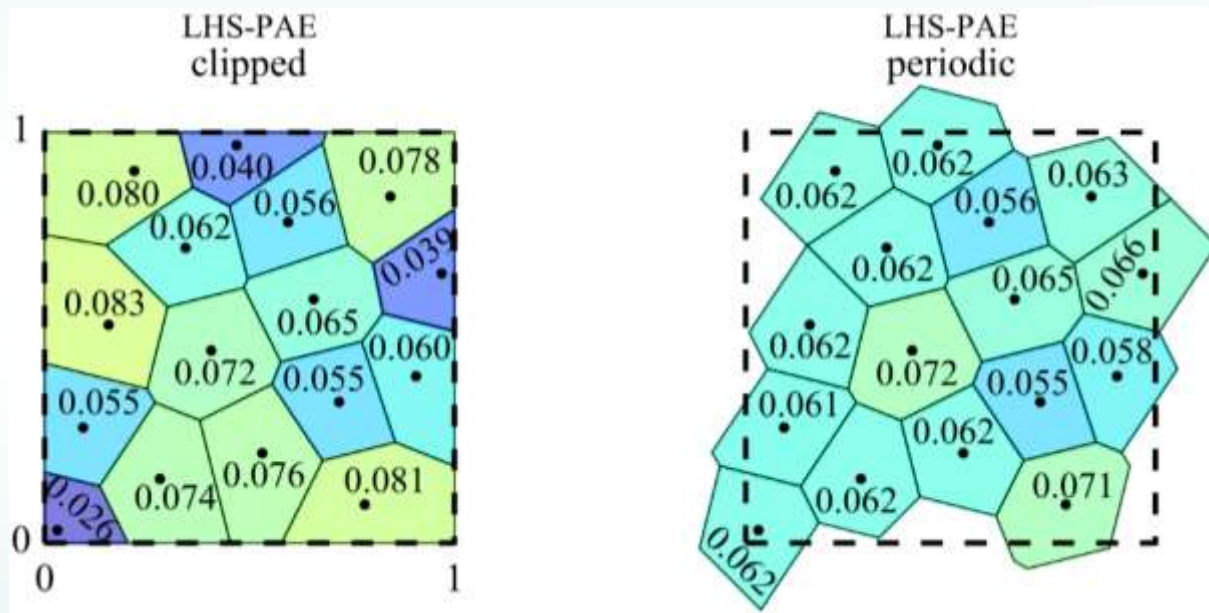
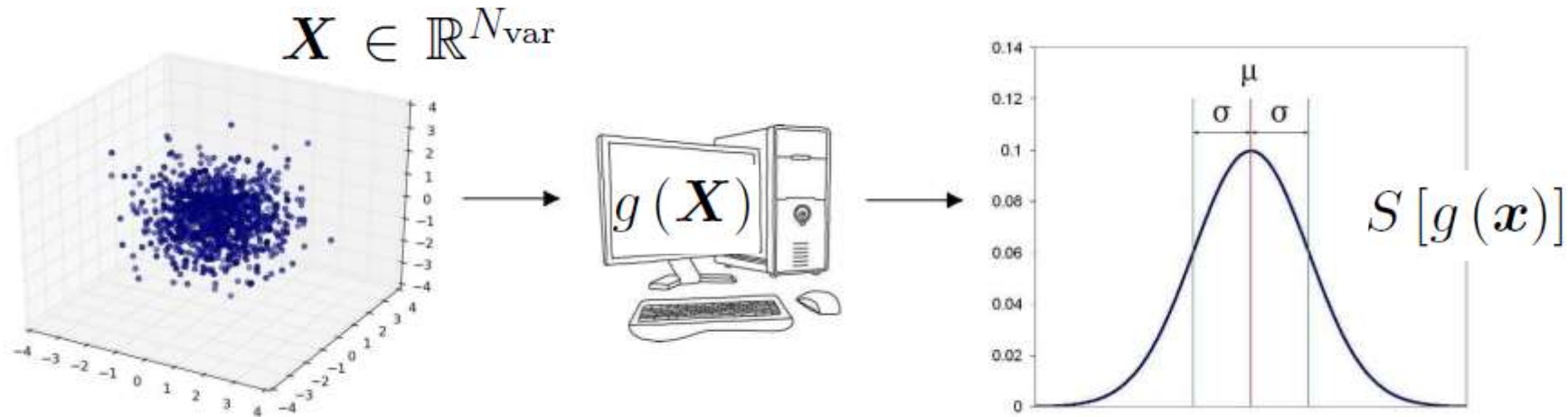


# Application of Voronoi Weights in Monte Carlo Integration with a Given Sampling Plan



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# Computer (or physical) experiments



- **Random inputs**  
defined by their (joint) probability distribution
- optimal selection of representative points from design space
- **Outputs**  
characteristics of the resulting probability distribution (mean, st. dev., ...), sensitivity or the probability of failure of structure/system

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- Usually all points share equal probability  $w_i$

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- Rewrite the integral in terms of  $U$  – integrate over unit hypercube with **uniform** density:

$$\mathbb{E}[S[g(\mathbf{X})]] = \int_0^1 \dots \int_0^1 S[g(\mathbf{x})] dC(u_1, \dots, u_{N_{\text{var}}})$$

$$= \int_{[0,1]^{N_{\text{var}}}} S[g(\mathbf{x})] \prod_{v=1}^{N_{\text{var}}} dU_v$$

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- Consider independent uniform variables  $U_i$  with the following copula:

$$C(u_1, \dots, u_{N_{\text{var}}}) = \mathbb{P}(U_1 \leq u_1, \dots, U_{N_{\text{var}}} \leq u_{N_{\text{var}}}) = \prod_{v=1}^{N_{\text{var}}} u_v$$

- They represent probabilities  $F_{X_v} = U_v$

$$\mathbf{x} = \{x_1, \dots, x_{N_{\text{var}}}\} = \{F_1^{-1}(u_1), \dots, F_{N_{\text{var}}}^{-1}(u_{N_{\text{var}}})\}$$

- The joint CDF reads:

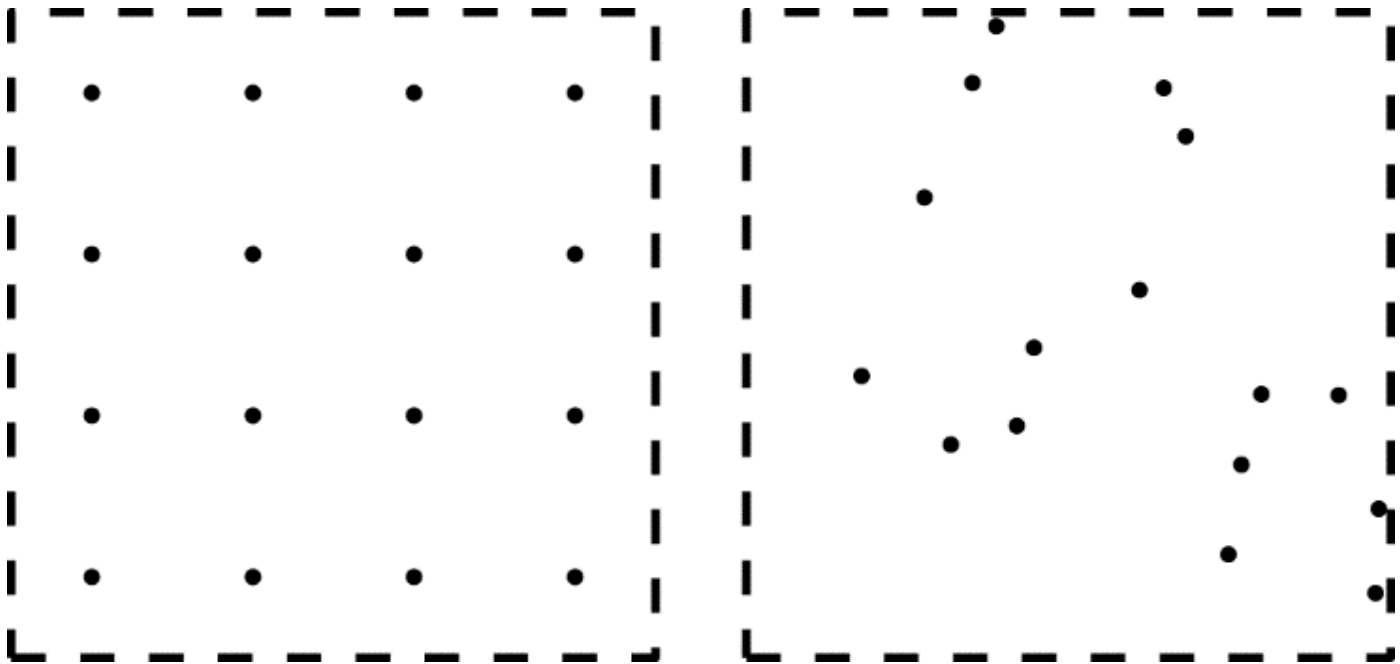
$$F_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_v F_{X_v} = \prod_v U_v, \text{ and } dF_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_v dU_v$$

# The weights for fixed points

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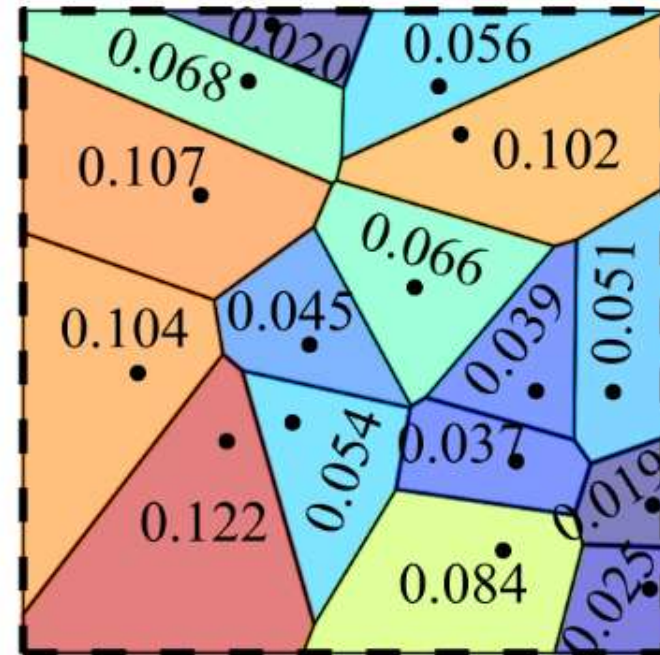
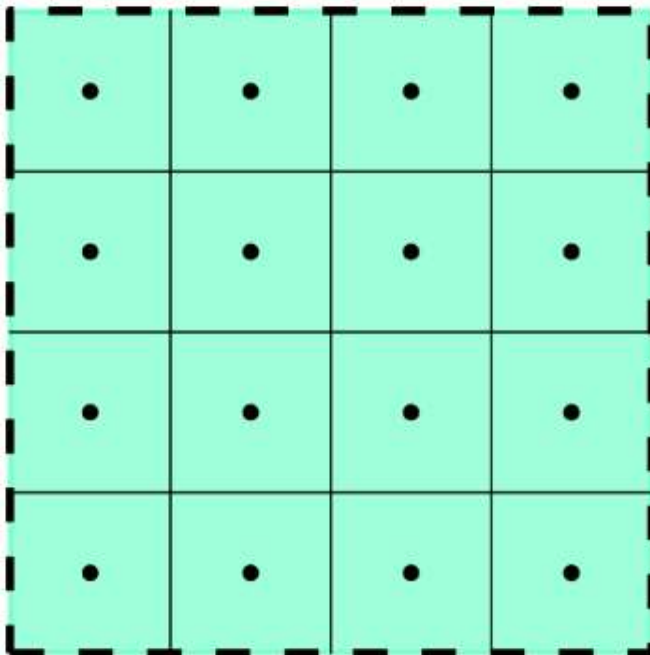


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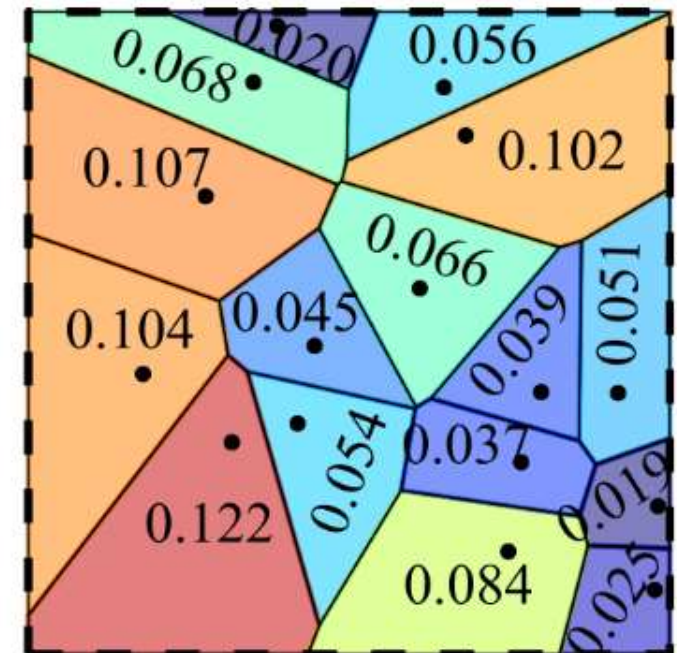


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- The idea: spatial distribution of points can be used for selection of associated probability
- Weights are obtained using (*Voronoi diagrams* – a tessellation into cells) in the design domain (unit hypercube)
- Weights are the surfaces/volumes around points
- **Post-processing** of existing design & results (extract more information from an existing bad design)



# Periodic extension of the design space

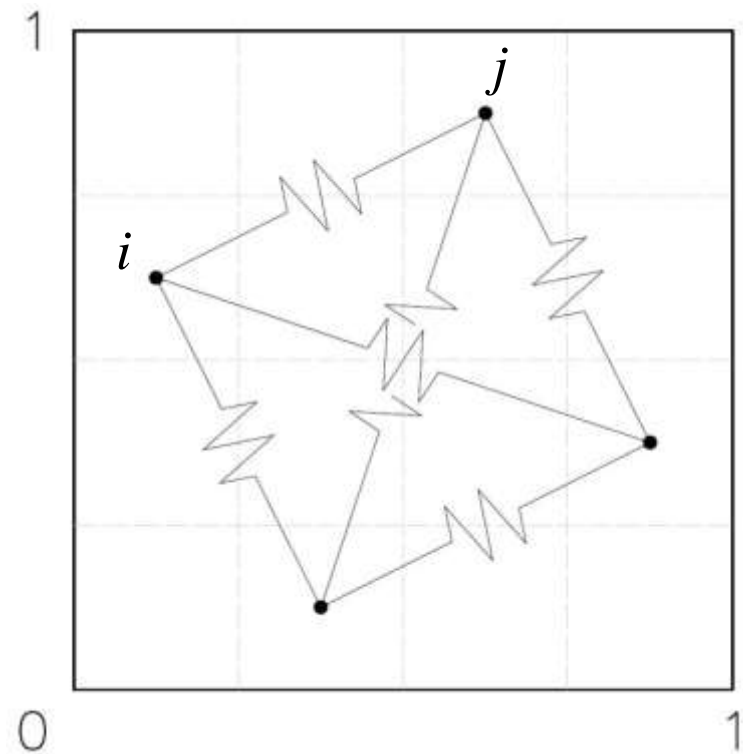
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# Audze-Eglājs (AE) criterion

- Potential energy of the system

$$E^{\text{AE}} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{sim}}} \sum_{j=i+1}^{N_{\text{sim}}} \frac{1}{L_{ij}^2}$$

- Mutually closer points → higher contribution to the overall energy of the system
- Optimization (min. energy) → points tend to shift away from each other



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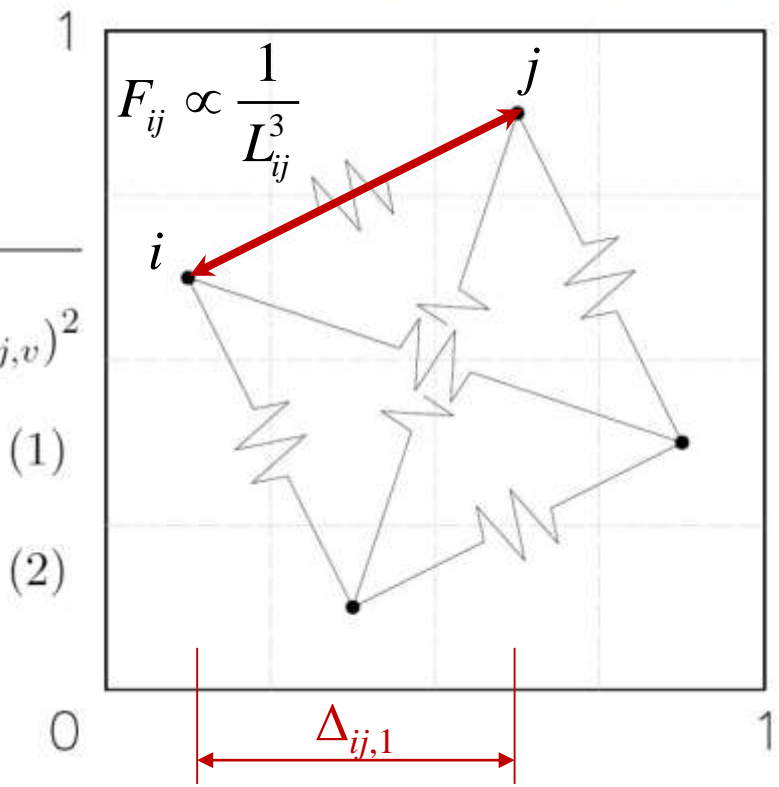
$$L_{ij} = L(\mathbf{u}_i, \mathbf{u}_j) = \sqrt{\sum_{v=1}^{N_{var}} (u_{i,v} - u_{j,v})^2} = \sqrt{\sum_{v=1}^{N_{var}} (\Delta_{ij,v})^2}$$

where

$$\Delta_{ij,v} = |u_{i,v} - u_{j,v}|$$

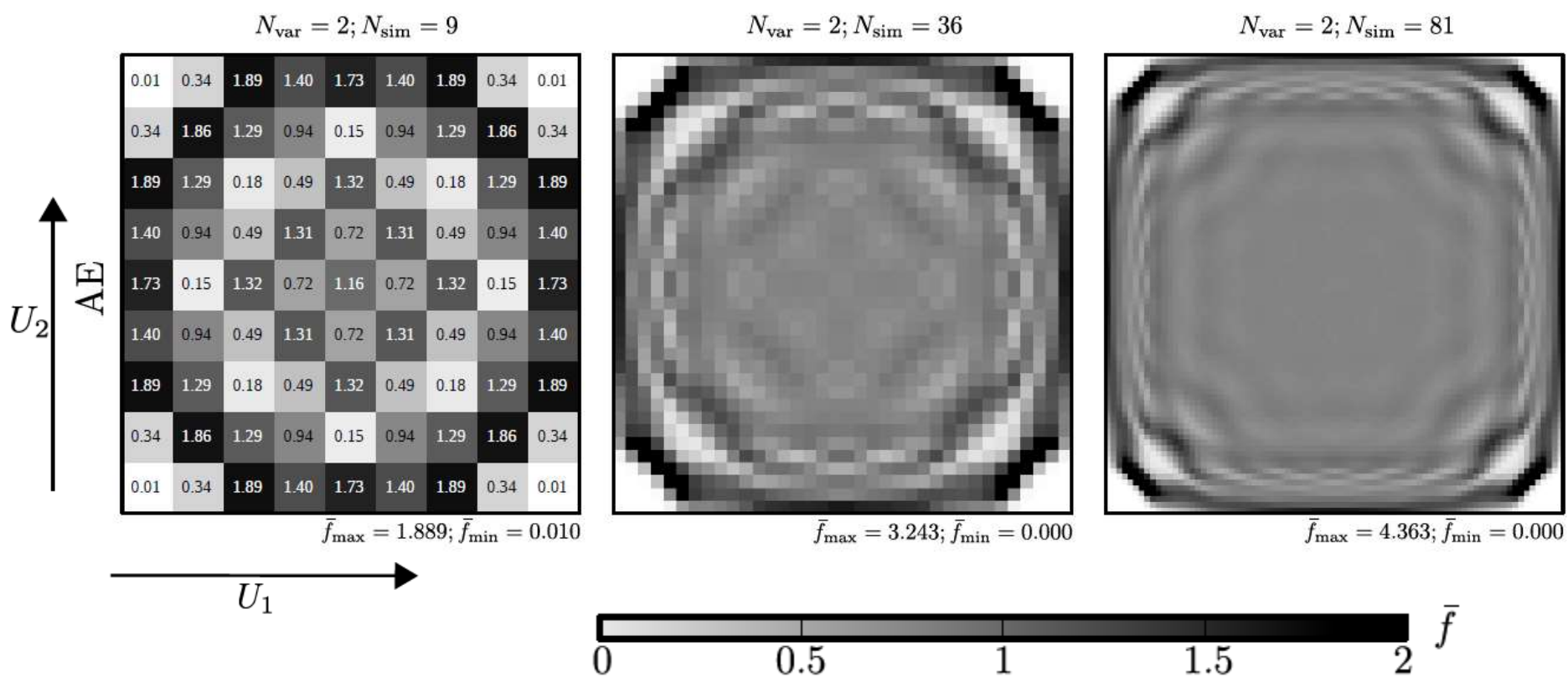
- Does the criterion really prioritize uniform distribution of sampling points in space?

$$F_{ij} = -\frac{dE_{ij}^{AE}}{dL_{ij}} = -\frac{d\frac{1}{L_{ij}^2}}{dL_{ij}} = \frac{2}{L_{ij}^3}$$



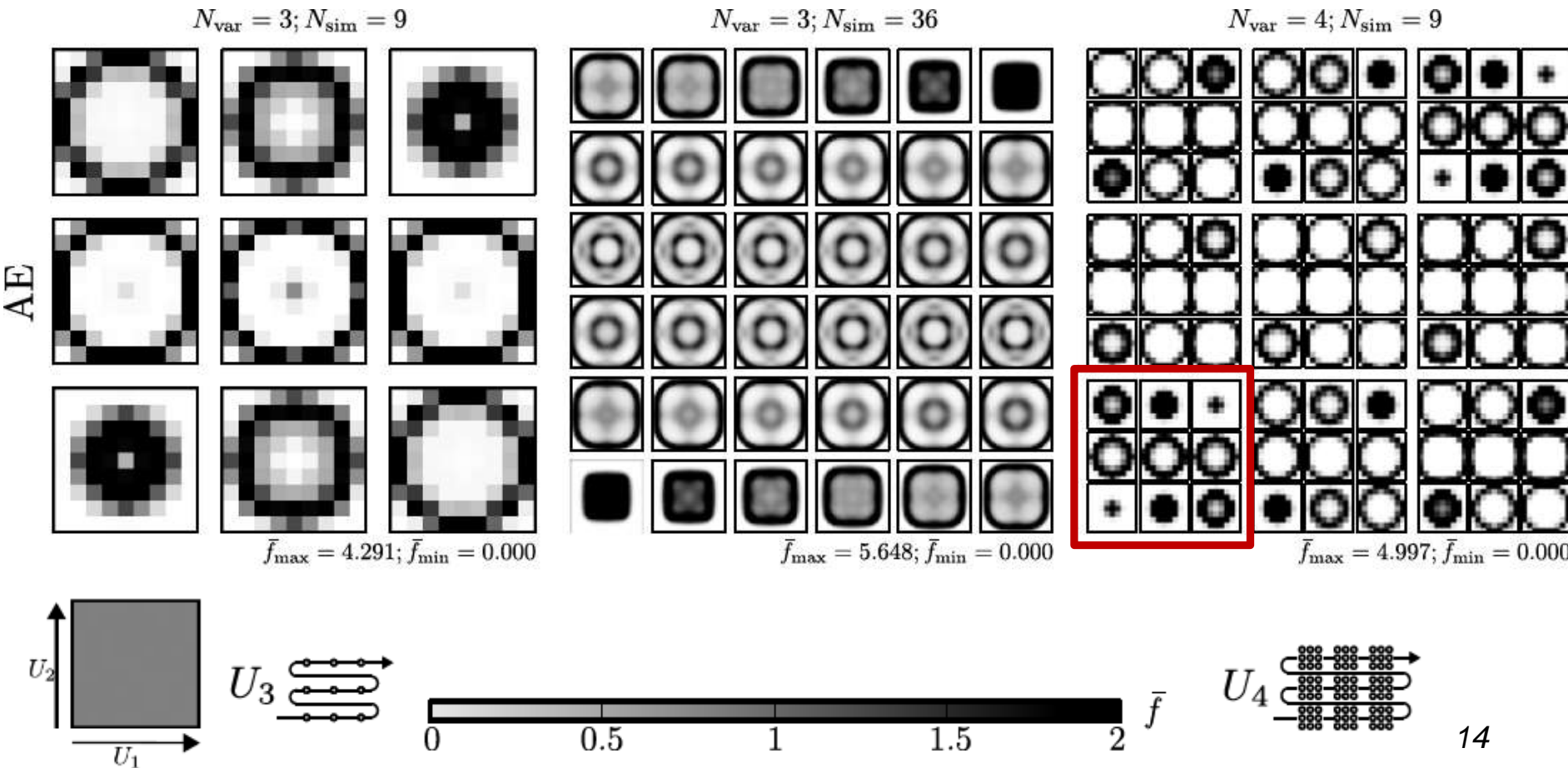
# Measurement of uniformity

2D domain covered by AE-LHS-optimized sample



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3D and 4D domains covered by AE-LHS



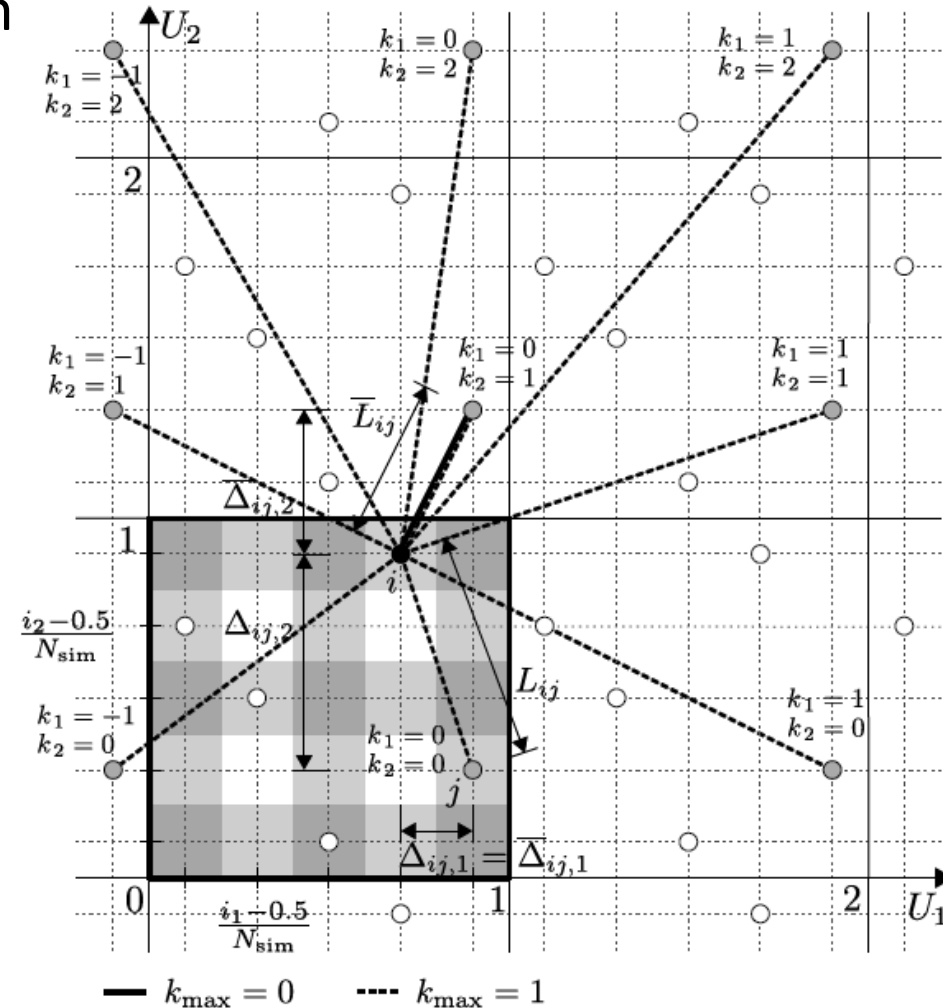
# Periodic Audze-Eglājs (PAE) criterion

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$$E^{\text{PAE}} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{sim}}} \sum_{j=i+1}^{N_{\text{sim}}} \frac{1}{\bar{L}_{ij}^2}$$

- The shortest distance

$$\bar{L}_{ij} = \sqrt{\sum_{v=1}^{N_{\text{var}}} [\min(\Delta_{ij,v}, 1 - \Delta_{ij,v})]^2}$$

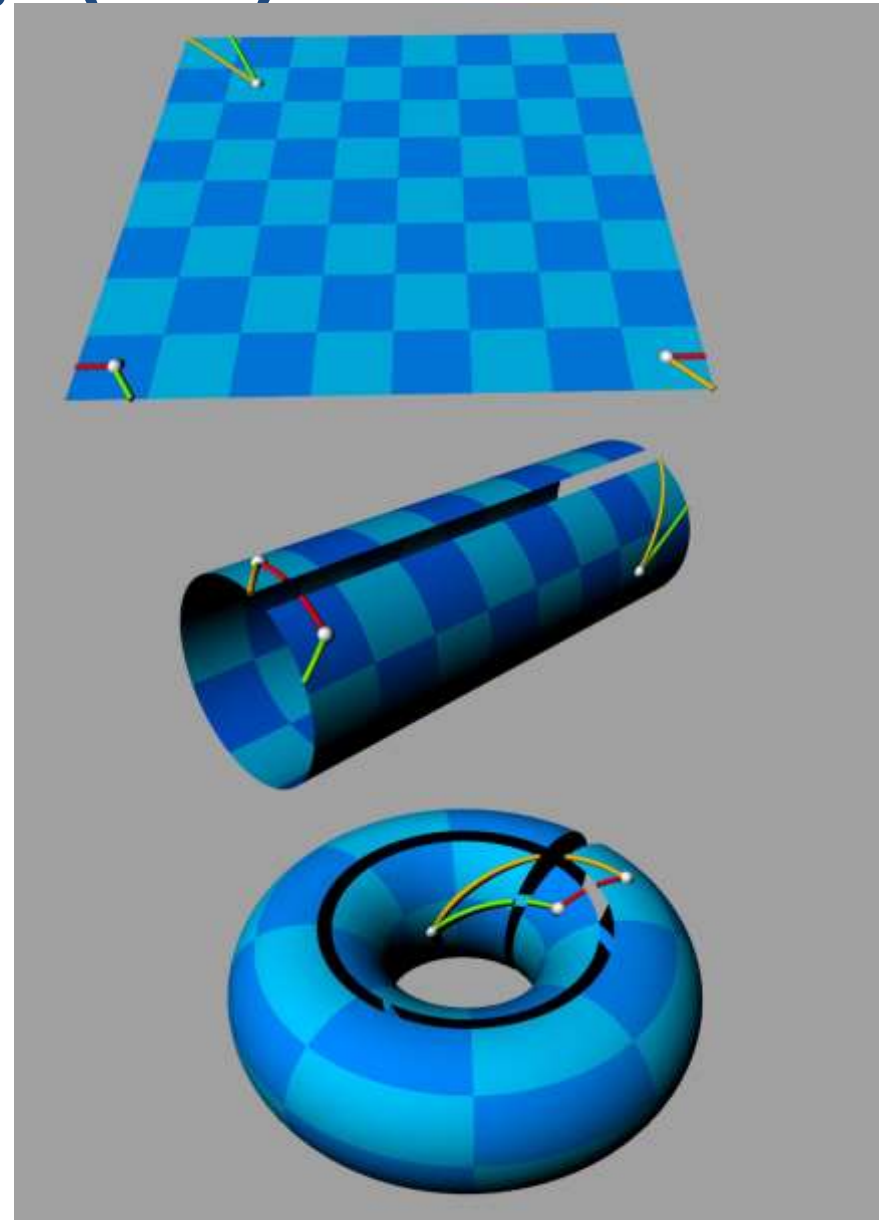


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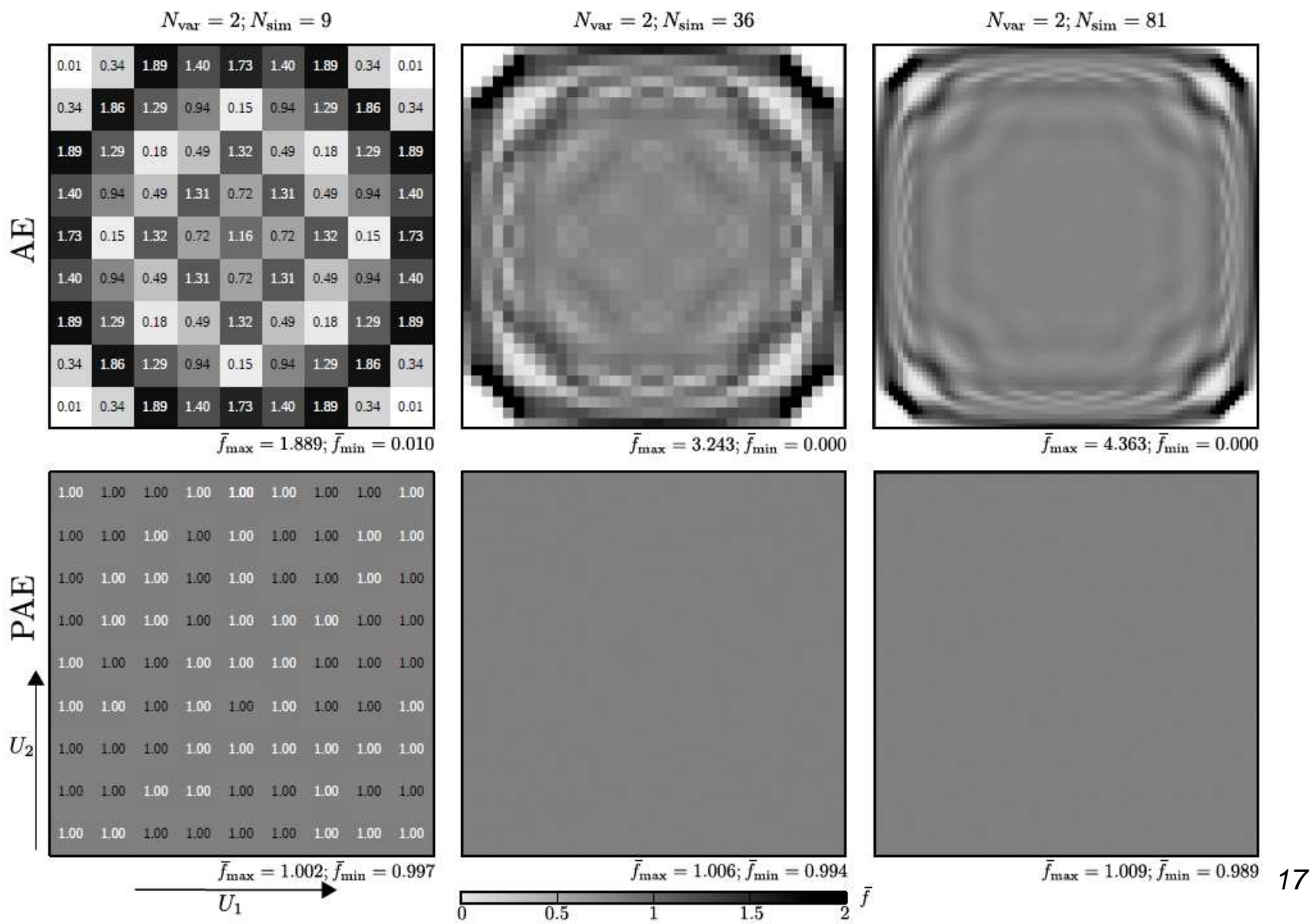
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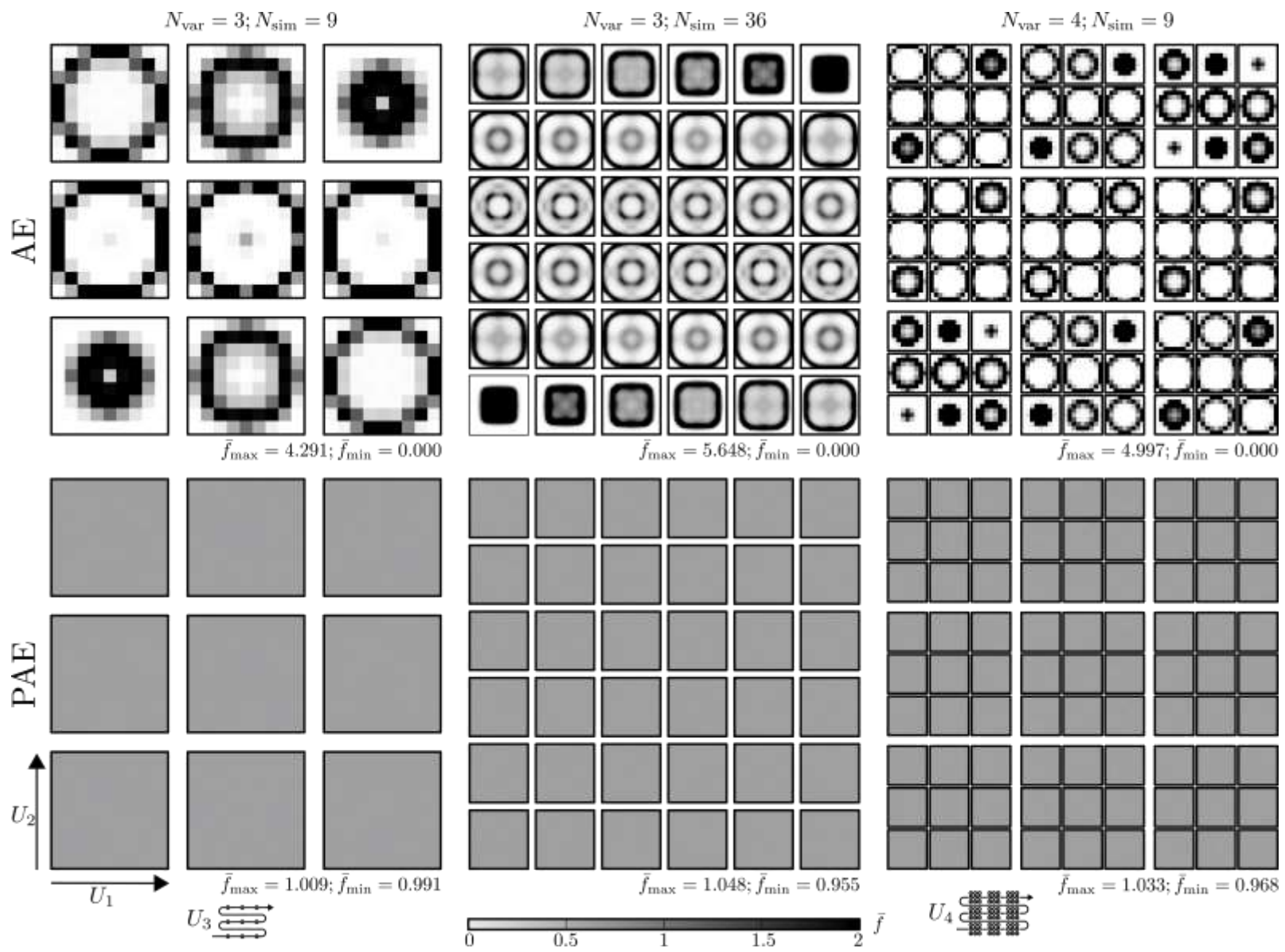
- The shortest distance for each pair is considered
- Does the new criterion prioritize uniform distribution of sampling points in space
- The source of uniformity lies in the invariance of PAE wrt to translation



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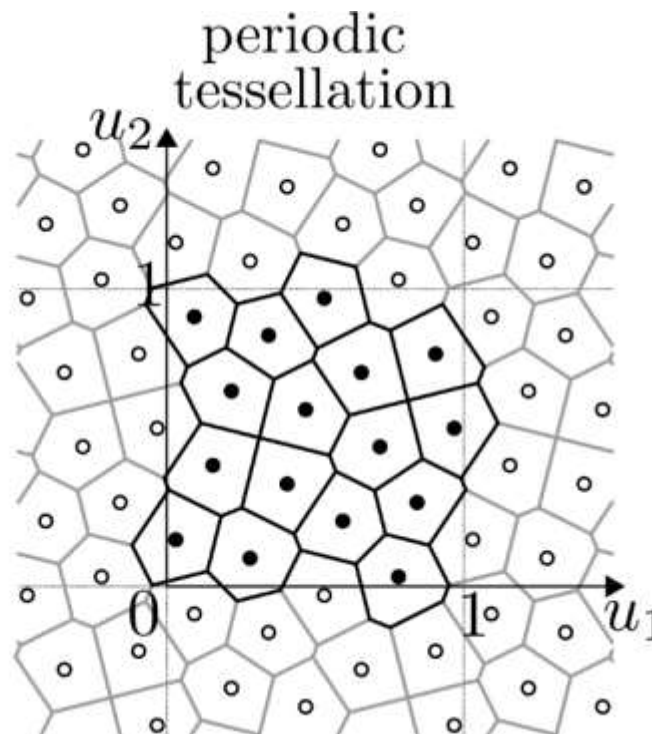
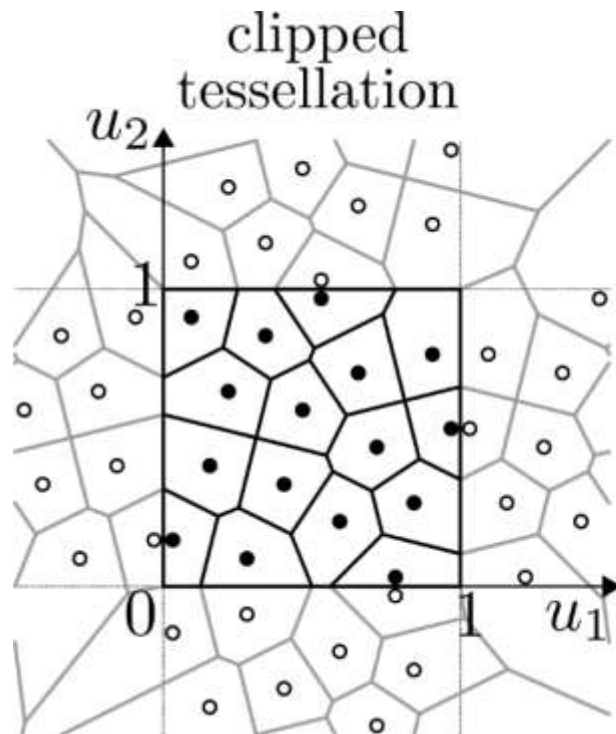
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# The Voronoi weights

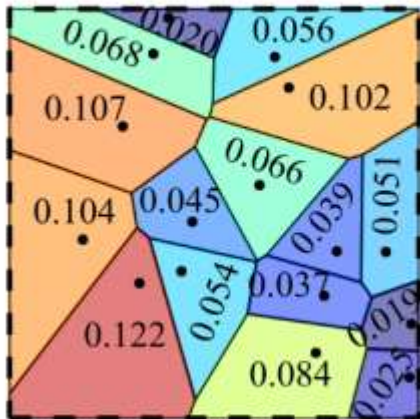
# Clipped vs. Periodic tessellation

- Reuse the thought

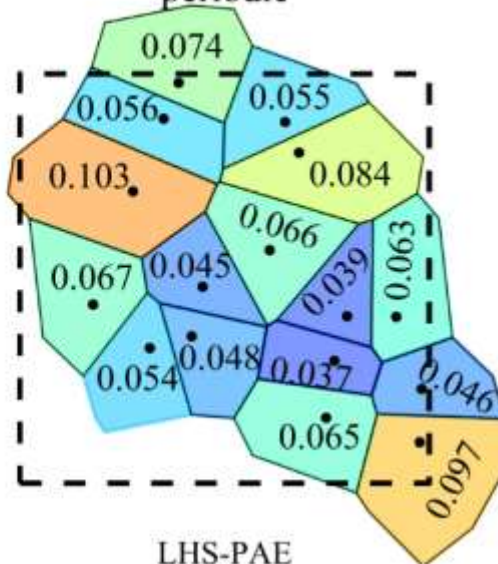
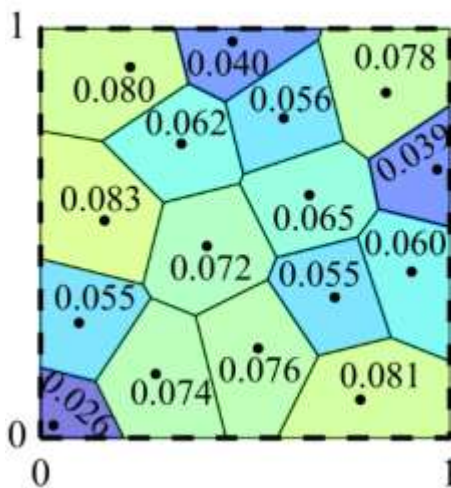


-  sampling point with associated Voronoi region
-  auxiliary point with associated Voronoi region

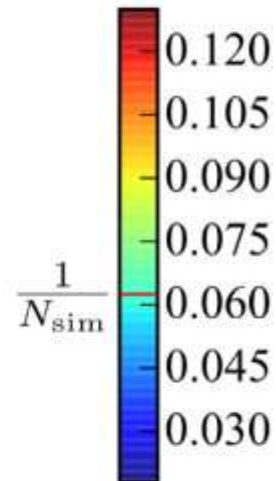
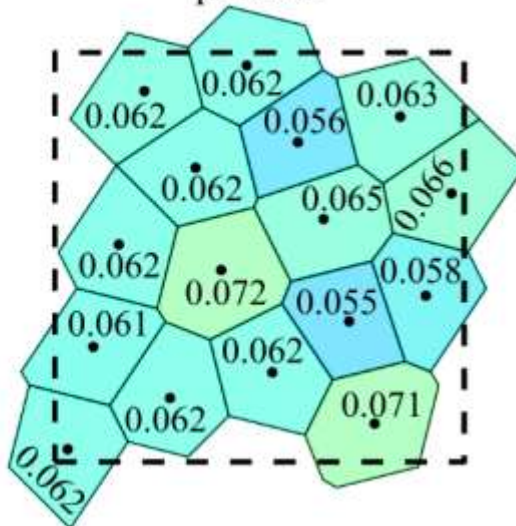
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MC-RAND  
clipped

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LHS-PAE  
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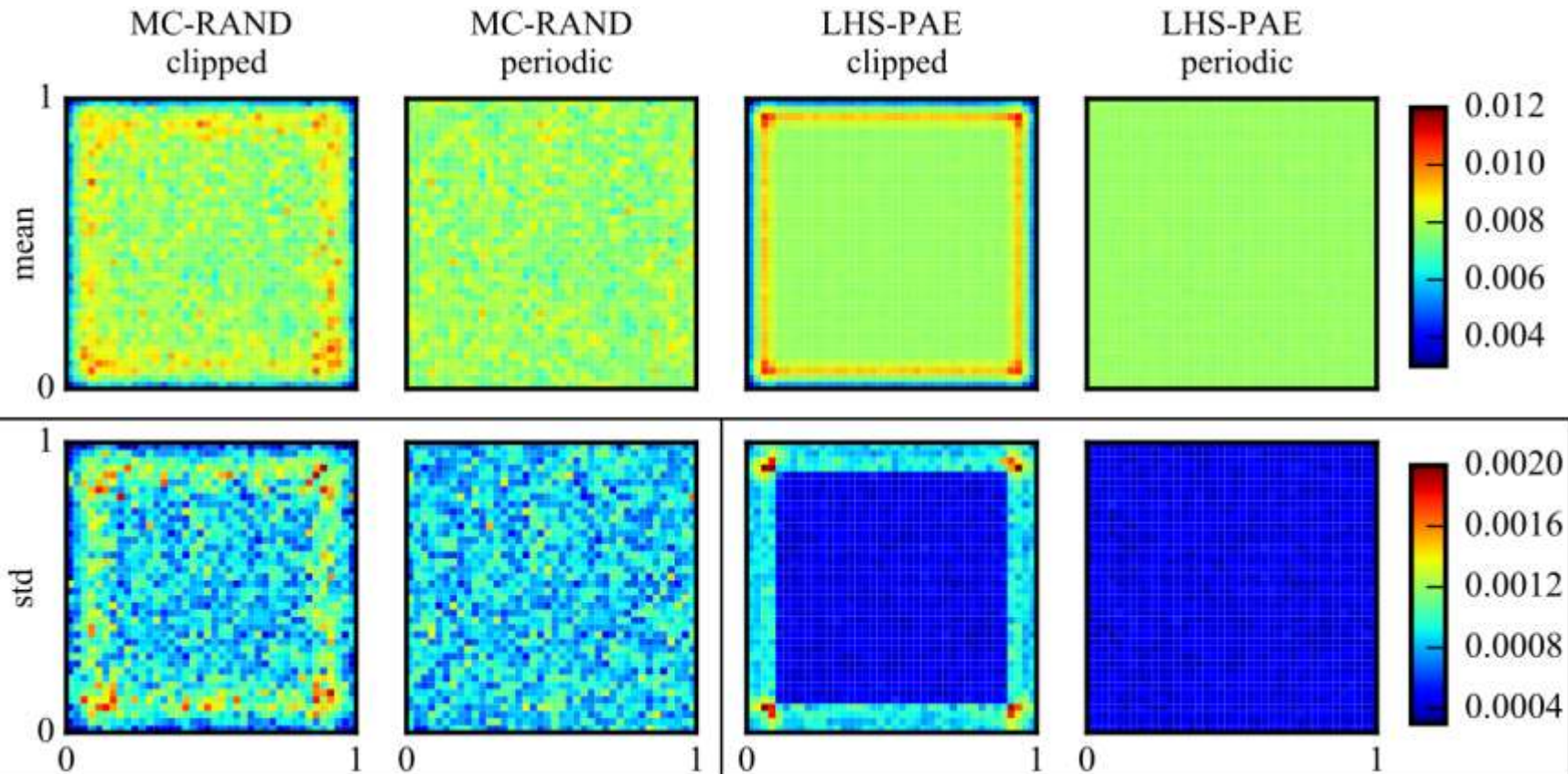
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# Clipped vs. Periodic tessellation

- Spatial distribution (frequency) of weights
- Systematic error close to boundaries

The tessellation results in systematic appearance of underestimated regions near the boundaries followed by regions with over-weighted regions.



# Numerical examples

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- Three functions (frequently used transformations)

$$g_{\text{sum}}(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{v=1}^{N_{\text{var}}} X_v^2$$

$$g_{\text{exp}}(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{v=1}^{N_{\text{var}}} \exp(-X_v^2)$$

$$g_{\text{prod}}(\mathbf{X}) = \prod_{v=1}^{N_{\text{var}}} X_v$$

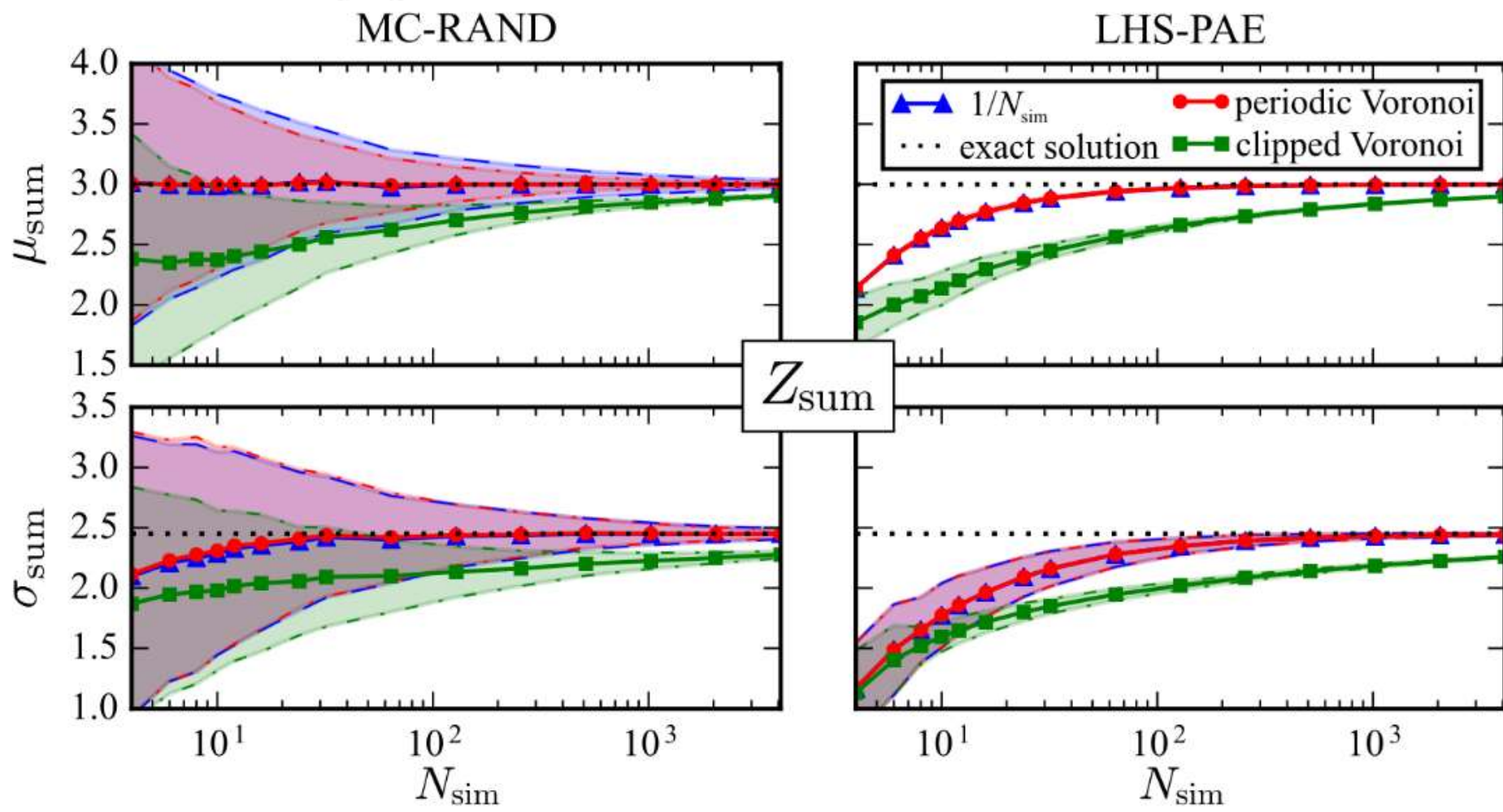
$$N_{\text{var}} = \{2, 3, 5, 9\}$$

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$$g_{\text{sum}}(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{v=1}^{N_{\text{var}}} X_v^2$$

$$\mu_{\text{sum}} = N_{\text{var}}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{sum}} = \sqrt{2N_{\text{var}}}$$

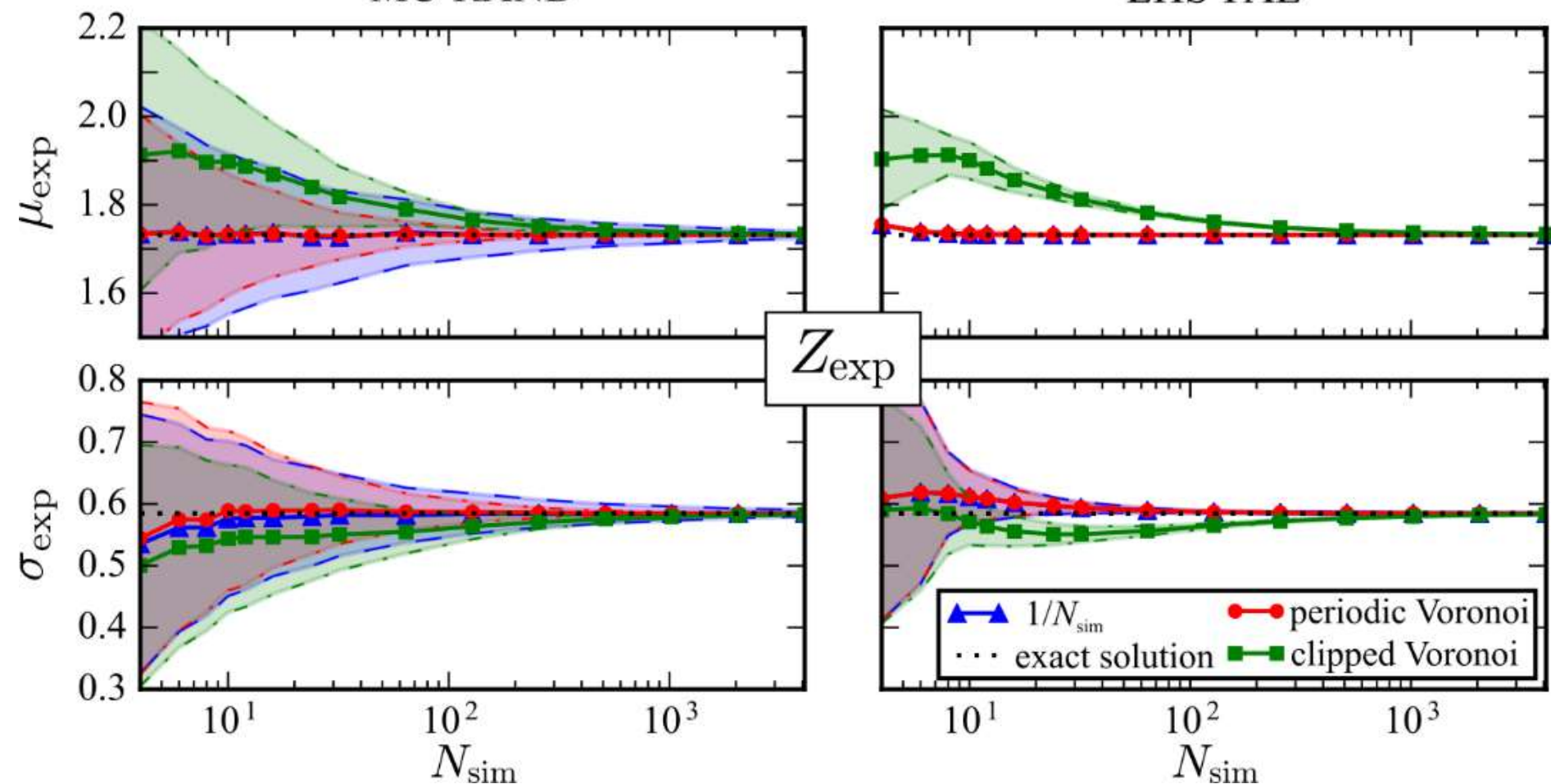


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$$g_{\text{exp}}(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{v=1}^{N_{\text{var}}} \exp(-X_v^2) \quad \mu_{\text{exp}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} N_{\text{var}} \quad \sigma_{\text{exp}} = \sqrt{N_{\text{var}}} \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} - \frac{1}{3}}$$

MC-RAND

LHS-PAE



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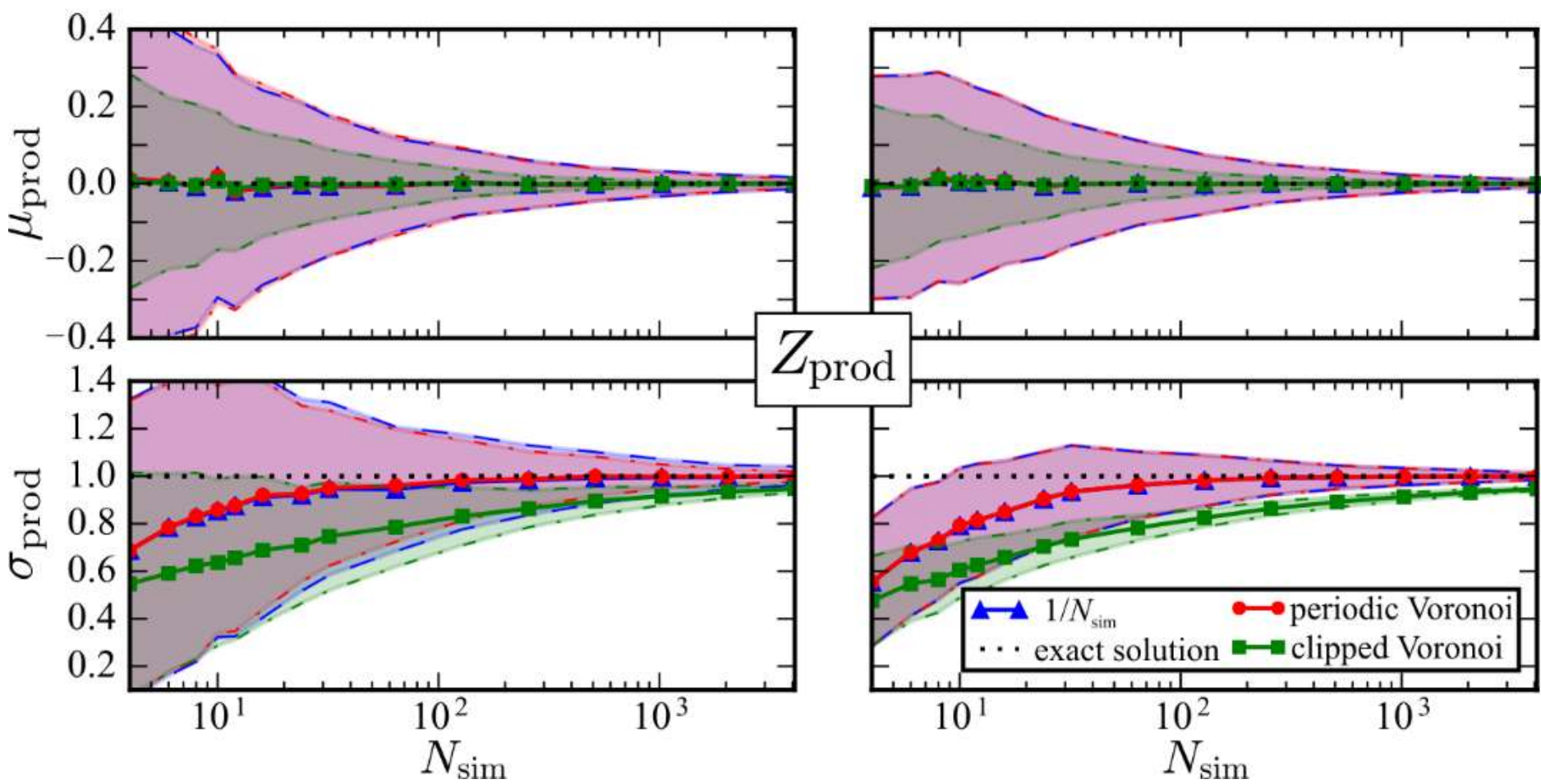
$$g_{\text{prod}}(\mathbf{X}) = \prod_{v=1}^{N_{\text{var}}} X_v$$

MC-RAND

$$\mu_{\text{prod}} = 0$$

$$\sigma_{\text{prod}} = 1$$

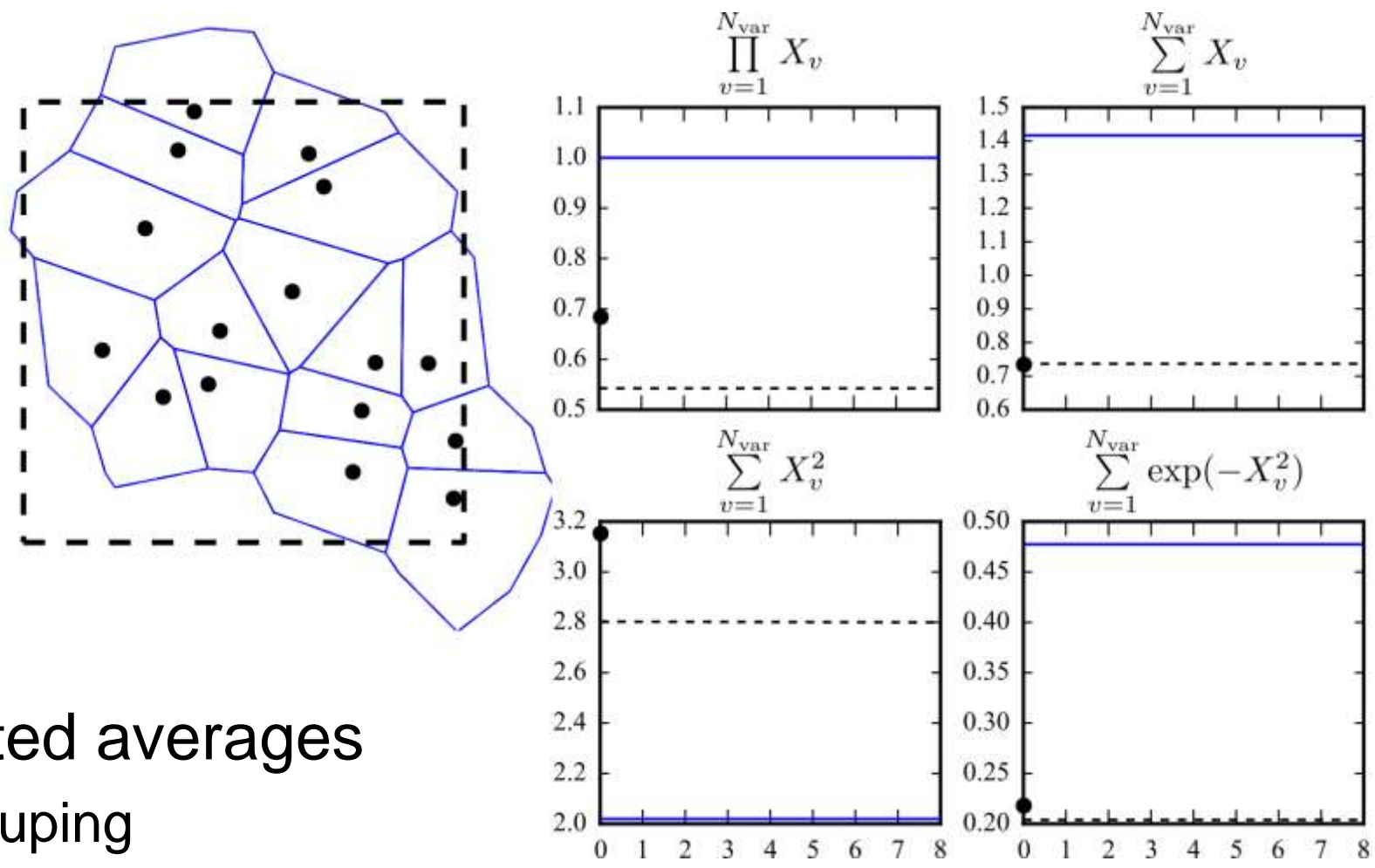
LHS-PAE



# Conclusions

- *clipped* Voronoi tessellation  
(a tessellation limited to the design domain)  
inapplicable (presence of boundaries)
- *periodic* Voronoi tessellation slightly improves the integration if the location of sampling points is not optimized (e.g. crude MCS).  
However, the minor improvement does not seem to outweigh the additional effort spend on the evaluation of the volumes of the regions and the tessellation.

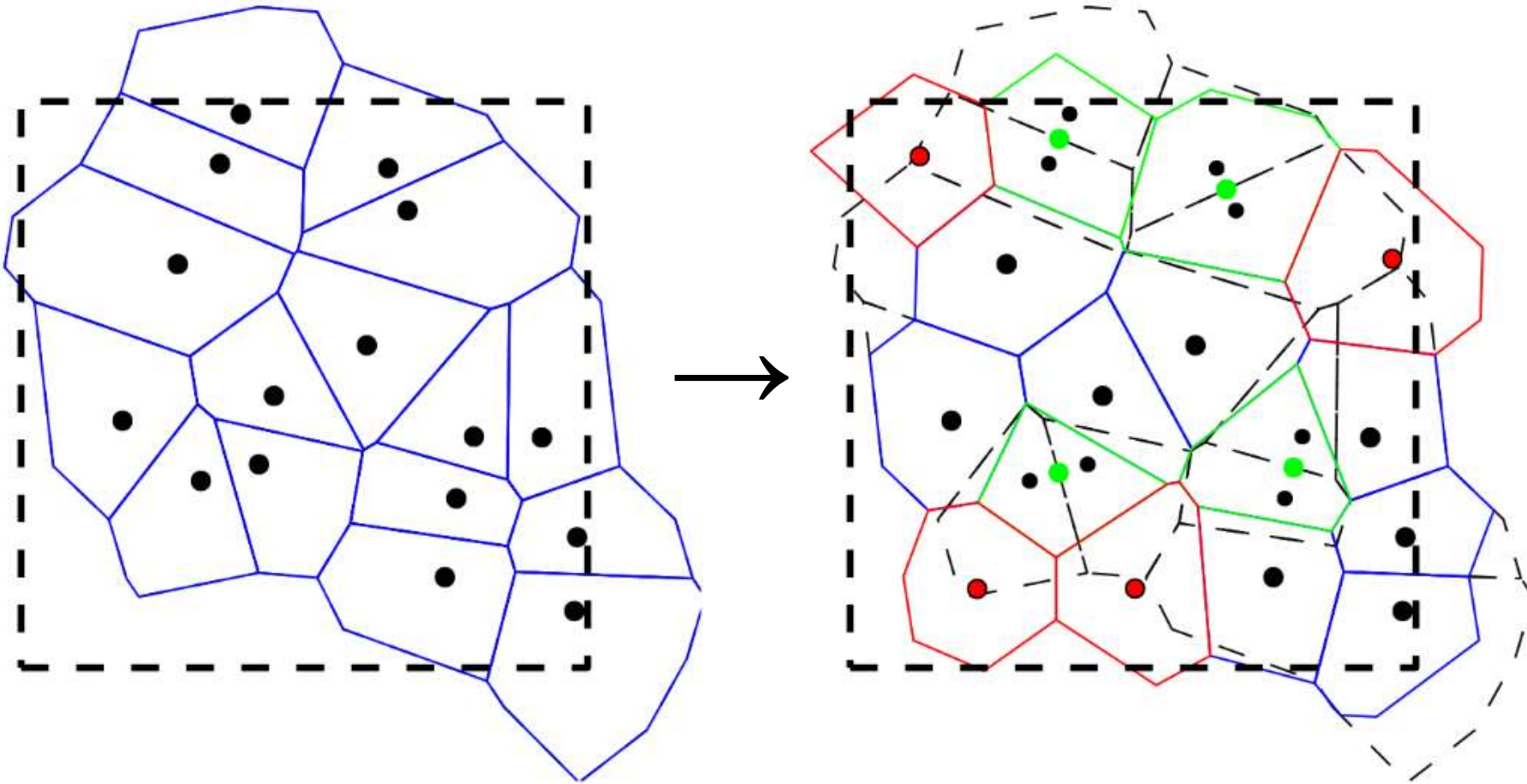
# Future work



## Weighted averages

- Grouping (for clustered points)
- Dummy points (unvisited regions)

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~~$$E[S[g(\mathbf{X})]] \approx \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{sim}}} S[g(\mathbf{x}_i)] \cdot w_i$$~~

# Future work

Lorenzo Rimoldini

Weighted skewness and kurtosis unbiased by sample size and Gaussian uncertainties, *Astronomy and Computing* 5 (2014) 1–8

$$V_p = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{sim}}} w_i^p$$

unweighted forms for central moments → sample-size bias-corrected weighted mom's

$$\begin{aligned} M_2 &= \frac{n}{n-1} m_2 = K_2 \\ M_3 &= \frac{n^2}{(n-1)(n-2)} m_3 = K_3 \\ M_4 &= \frac{n(n^2-2n+3)}{(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)} m_4 \\ &\quad - \frac{3n(2n-3)}{(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)} m_2^2 \\ K_4 &= \frac{n^2(n+1)}{(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)} m_4 - \frac{3n^2}{(n-2)(n-3)} m_2^2 \end{aligned}$$

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