

**NEW ADVANCED IN SENSITIVITY**

**ANALYSIS BASED ON **HSIC****

**DEPENDENCE MEASURES**

*\*Hilbert Schmidt Independence Criterion*



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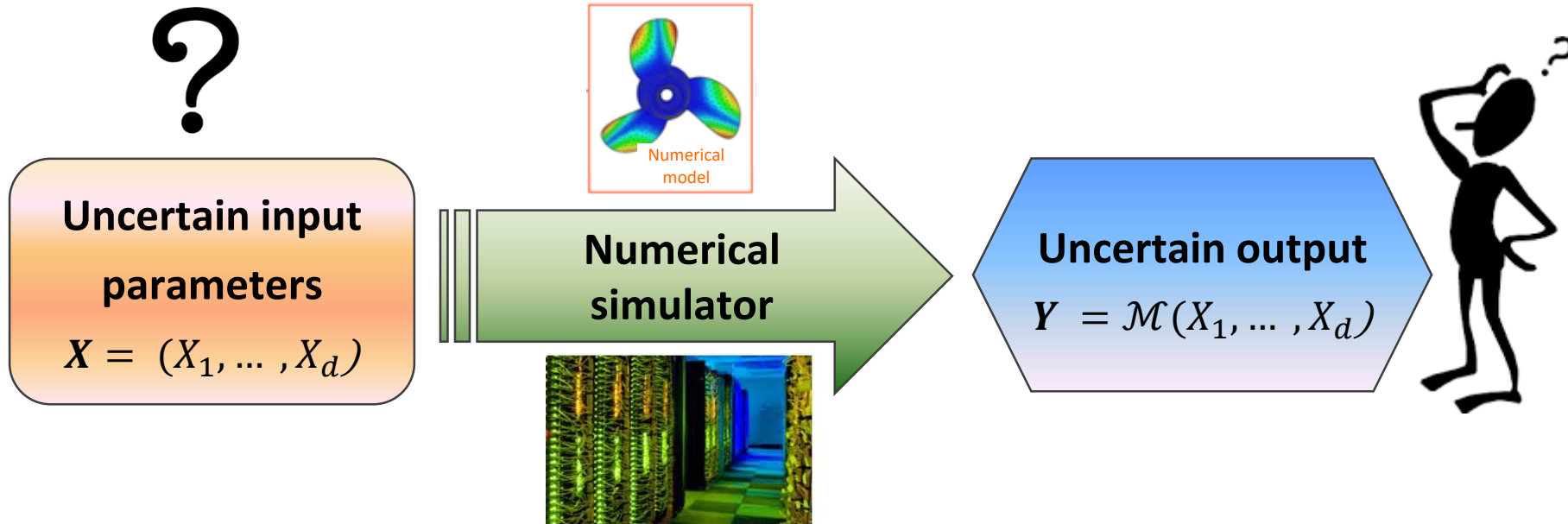
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- **Numerical simulators:** fundamental tools to model & predict physical phenomena.
- **Large number of input parameters**, characterizing the studied phenomenon or related to its physical and numerical modelling.
- **Uncertainty on some input parameters** → impacts the **uncertainty on the output**
- **Black-box and time-expensive simulators** → limited number of simulations



⇒ Quantify how the variability of the input parameters influences the output

→ Aim of **Sensitivity Analysis (SA)**

*Saltelli et al. [2000]*

### ➤ **Quantitative SA and Ranking purpose:**

- Quantify the impact of each uncertain input and interaction → Ranking  
→ Identify the variables to be fixed or further characterized in order to obtain the largest reduction of the output uncertainty

### ➤ **Screening purpose. Separate the inputs into two groups: influential and non-influential**

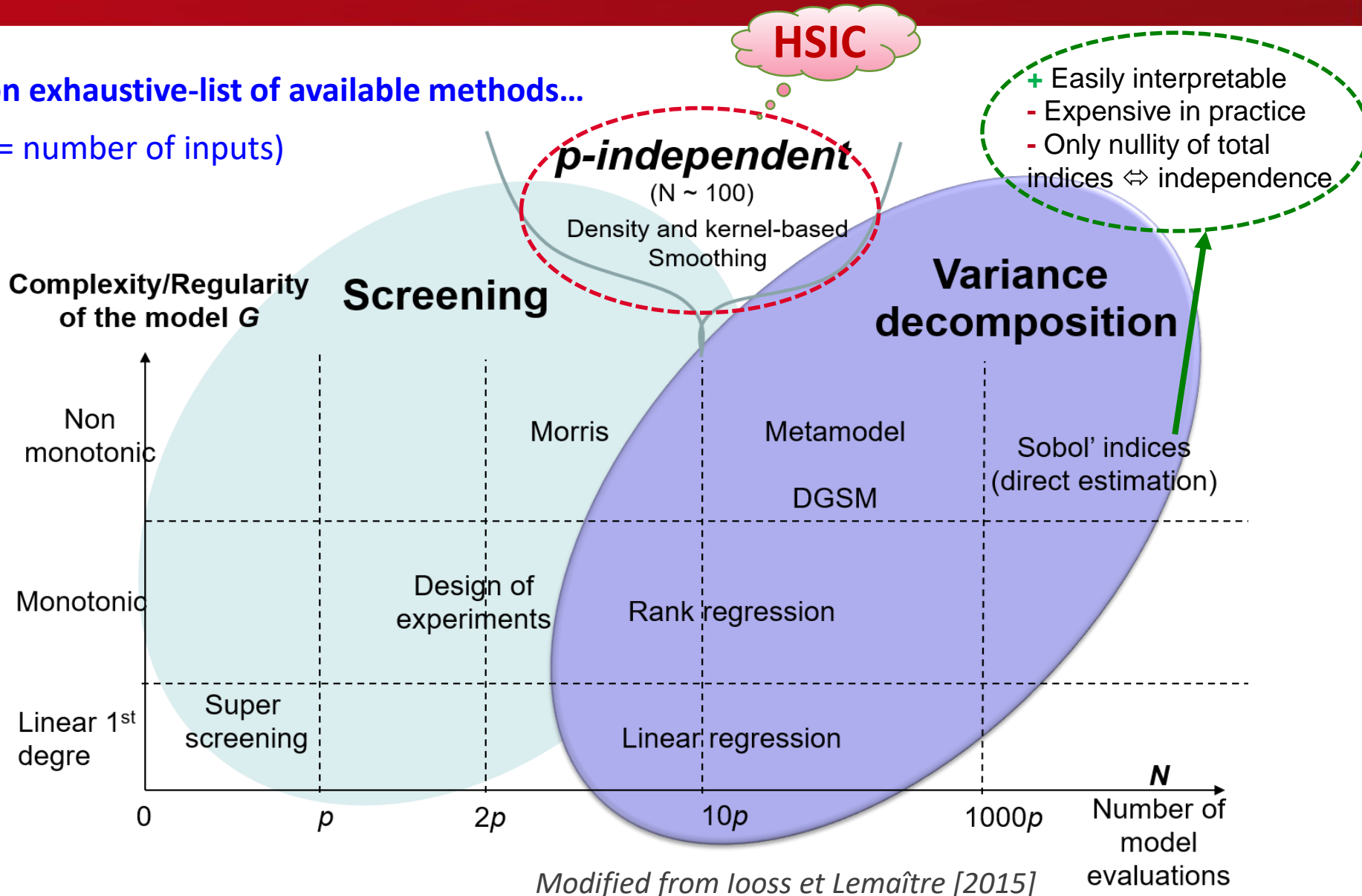
- Non-influential variables fixed without consequences on the output uncertainty
- In support of model reduction
- To build a simplified model, a metamodel



**Global SA within a probabilistic framework**

→ Valuable information to understand  $\mathcal{M}$  and underlying phenomenon

## Non exhaustive-list of available methods...

 $(p = \text{number of inputs})$ 

# HSIC\* Review

*\*Hilbert Schmidt Independence Criterion*

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## ► Black-box model

$$Y = \mathcal{M}(X_1, \dots, X_d)$$

- $X_1, \dots, X_d$  are  $d$  independent inputs, evolving in domain  $\mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_d$
- $Y$  evolves in domain  $\mathcal{Y}$
- $P_X$  denotes the probability distribution of  $X$  and  $p_X$  its density if  $X$  is continuous
- $P_{Y|X}$ : the conditional distribution of  $Y$  given  $X$
- $P_{X,Y}$ : the joint probability measure and  $P_Y \otimes P_X$  the product of marginal distributions

►  $\mathcal{M}$  unknown, only a  **$n$ -sample of simulations**  $(X^{(j)}, Y^{(j)})_{1 \leq j \leq n}$  where  $Y^{(j)} = \mathcal{M}(X^{(j)})$  for  $j = 1, \dots, n$

# GSA built upon RKHS framework

► How to evaluate the sensitivity in a probabilistic way?  $\Leftrightarrow$  independence

→ By comparing  $P_{X,Y}$  with  $P_X \otimes P_Y$

$$S_i = d(P_{X_i,Y}, P_{X_i} \otimes P_Y)$$

where  $d$  a dissimilarity measure between two probability distributions

$d$  can be based on **Maximum Mean Discrepancy**:

$$\text{MMD}(\mathbb{P}, \mathbb{Q}) = \sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}} [\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}} f(Y) - \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}} f(Y)]$$

with  $\mathcal{F} =$  **unit ball in a (characteristic) Reproducing Kernel Hilbert Space (RKHS)**

(Sriperumbudur et al. [2008])

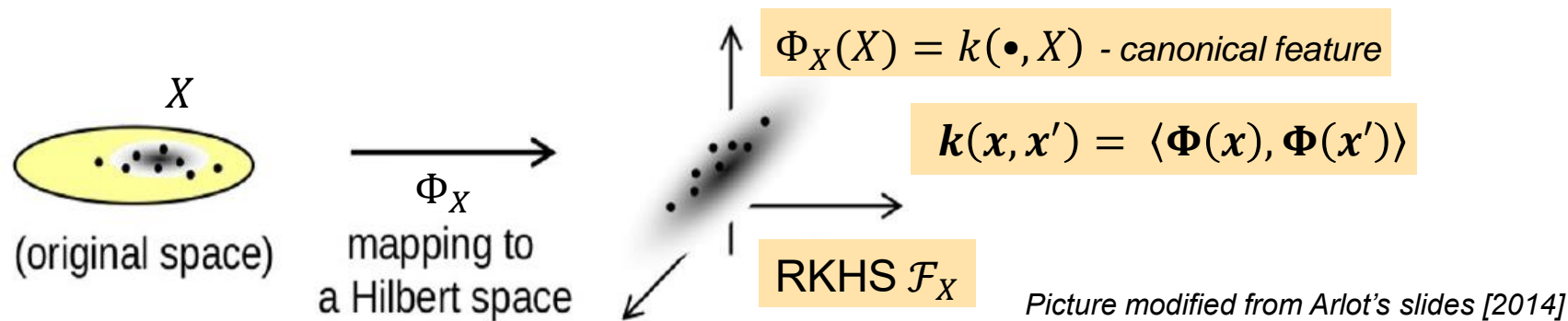
$$\Rightarrow S_i = \text{MMD}^2(P_{X,Y}, P_Y \otimes P_X) = \text{HSIC}(X, Y)$$

**Hilbert-Schmidt Independence Criterion**

# GSA built upon RKHS framework

## ► Link between embeddings in RKHS and MMD

Association of RKHS  $\mathcal{F}_X$  to  $X$ : with  $\Phi_X$  mapping function from  $\mathcal{X}$  to  $\mathcal{F}_X$  where the inner product is defined by kernel  $k$  (s.d.f. function).



Define embedding of  $\mathbb{P}$  in RKHS:  $\mu_{\mathbb{P}} \in \mathcal{F}_X$  such as  $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{P}}[f(X)] = \langle f, \mu_{\mathbb{P}} \rangle_{\mathcal{F}_X}$  for all  $f \in \mathcal{F}_X$

Reproducing property  $\Rightarrow \mu_{\mathbb{P}} = \mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{P}}[k(\cdot, X)] = \mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{P}}[\Phi_X(X)]$

$$\Rightarrow \text{MMD}(\mathbb{P}, \mathbb{Q}) = \sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}_X, \|f\|_{\mathcal{F}_X} \leq 1} [\mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{P}} f(Y) - \mathbf{E}_{\mathbb{Q}} f(Y)] = \|\mu_{\mathbb{P}} - \mu_{\mathbb{Q}}\|_{\mathcal{F}}$$

Kernel trick (reproducing prop.)  $\Rightarrow \text{MMD}^2(\mathbb{P}, \mathbb{Q}) = \mathbf{E}[k(X, X')] + \mathbf{E}[k(Y, Y')] - 2\mathbf{E}[k(X, Y)]$

where  $X, X' \sim \mathbb{P}$  and  $Y, Y' \sim \mathbb{Q}$



► **MMD<sup>2</sup>** applied between  $P_{X,Y}$  and  $P_Y \otimes P_X \Rightarrow HSIC(X, Y)_{\mathcal{F}_{X_i}, \mathcal{F}_Y}$

With  $\mathcal{F}_{X_i}$  and  $\mathcal{F}_Y$  **RKHS** associated to  $X_i$  and  $Y$ , resp.

$k_X, k_Y$ , kernels on  $\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}$  associated with RKHS  $\mathcal{F}_X, \mathcal{F}_Y$

$k_X k_Y$  kernel on  $\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}$  associated with RKHS  $\mathcal{F}_X \otimes \mathcal{F}_Y$

*Steinwart and Christmann [2008]*

$$\Rightarrow HSIC(X, Y)_{\mathcal{F}_{X_i}, \mathcal{F}_Y} = MMD_{\mathcal{F}_{X_i}, \mathcal{F}_Y}^2(P_{X,Y}, P_Y \otimes P_X) = \|\mu_{P_{X,Y}} - \mu_{P_Y \otimes P_X}\|_{\mathcal{F}_X, \mathcal{F}_Y}^2$$

**Hilbert-Schmidt Independence Criterion**

*Gretton et al. [2005]*

**Kernel trick** (reproducing property) again yields:

$$HSIC(X, Y) = \mathbb{E}[k_X(X, X')k_Y(Y, Y')] + \mathbb{E}[k_X(X, X')]\mathbb{E}[k_Y(Y, Y')] - 2\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[k_X(X, X')|X]\mathbb{E}[k_Y(Y, Y')|Y]]$$

where  $(X', Y')$  is an independent and identically distributed copy of  $(X, Y) \sim P_{X,Y}$ .

➤ **HSIC is in fact a “super generalized” covariance**

(Gretton et al. [2005])

**1. Cross-covariance operator**  $C_{X,Y}$  **between the feature maps**

$$C_{X,Y} = \mathbb{E}_{X,Y}[\Phi_X(X) \otimes \Phi_Y(Y)] - \mathbb{E}_X[\Phi_X(X)] \otimes \mathbb{E}_Y[\Phi_Y(Y)] = \mathbb{E}_{X,Y}[\Phi_X(X) \otimes \Phi_Y(Y)] - \mu_{P_X} \otimes \mu_{P_Y}$$

**2. HSIC** corresponds to the squared **Hilbert-Schmidt norm** of  $C_{X,Y}$

$$\text{HSIC}(X, Y)_{\mathcal{F}_X, \mathcal{F}_Y} = \|C_{X,Y}\|_{HS}^2 = \|\mu_{P_{X,Y}} - \mu_{P_Y \otimes P_X}\|^2$$

⇒ **A larger panel of input-output dependency can be captured by this operator,**

**HSIC somehow "summarizes" the cross-cov between feature maps applied to X and Y**

▶ **Characteristic kernels and RKHS** ⇒ *Injective canonical feature map*

⇒ **Equivalence to independence:**  $\text{HSIC}(X, Y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow X \perp Y$

*Ex: Gaussian Kernel*

$$k(x_i, x'_i) = \exp\left(-\frac{(x_i - x'_i)^2}{2\lambda^2}\right)$$

➤ **HSIC** expression with only expectations of kernels

$$\text{HSIC}(X, Y) = \mathbb{E}[k_X(X, X')k_Y(Y, Y')] + \mathbb{E}[k_X(X, X')]\mathbb{E}[k_Y(Y, Y')] - 2\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[k_X(X, X')|X]\mathbb{E}[k_Y(Y, Y')|Y]]$$

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▪ **Monte-Carlo estimator from a  $n$ -sample of simulations  $(X_i^{(j)}, Y^{(j)})_{1 \leq j \leq n}$**

$$\widehat{\text{HSIC}}(X, Y) = \frac{1}{n^2} \text{Tr}(K_X H L_Y H) \quad (\text{Gretton et al. [2005]})$$

where  $H = I_n - \frac{1}{n}$ ,  $K_X = \left( k_X(X^{(j)}, X^{(j')}) \right)_{1 \leq j, j' \leq n}$  and  $L_Y = \left( k(Y^{(j)}, Y^{(j')}) \right)_{1 \leq j, j' \leq n}$

▪ **Statistical properties of  $\widehat{\text{HSIC}}$ :**

- Asymptotically unbiased, variance of order  $O(1/n)$
- If  $X \perp Y$ ,  $n\widehat{\text{HSIC}}(X, Y)$  converges asymptotically to a Gamma distribution

# HSIC for sensitivity analysis

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- Normalization for sensitivity analysis:

(Da Veiga [2015])

$$R_{HSIC,i}^2 = \frac{HSIC(X_i, Y)}{\sqrt{HSIC(X_i, X_i) HSIC(Y, Y)}}$$

$\Rightarrow R_{HSIC}^2 \in [0,1]$  for easier interpretation

$\Rightarrow$  Use for ranking of inputs

**Influence**( $X_{[1]}$ ) > **Influence**( $X_{[2]}$ ) > ... > **Influence**( $X_{[d]}$ )

Where order  $[\cdot]$  is such that  $\widehat{R}_{H,X_{[1]}^2} > \widehat{R}_{H,X_{[2]}^2} > \dots > \widehat{R}_{H,X_{[d]}^2}$

- Several illustrations **on analytical examples and industrial applications**

- HSIC detect non-influential factors easily and robustly, even with small sample size
- HSIC indices can capture a **large spectrum of dependence**
  - **Good ranking** on usual GSA functions from sample size  $n \sim 100$
  - **Efficiency for screening** → Even better: **HSIC independence test**

# HSIC-based Independence test

## ► Use HSIC for screening → with Independence test

$$HSIC(X_i, Y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow X_i \perp Y \quad (\text{with } \underline{\text{characteristic kernels!}})$$

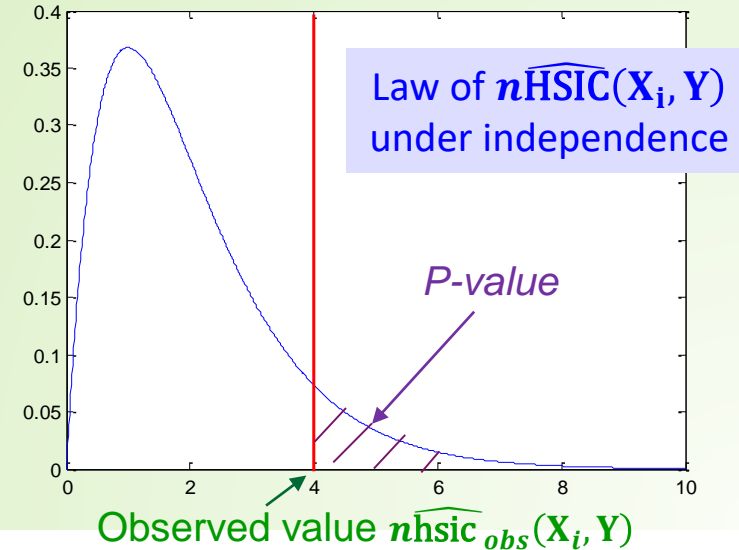
- Null hypothesis:  $\mathcal{H}_0 : X_i \perp Y_i$  against  $\mathcal{H}_1 : X_i \not\perp Y_i$
- Test statistics:  $n\widehat{HSIC}(X_i, Y)$
- Decision rule to obtain a test of level  $\alpha = \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{H}_0} [\text{reject } \mathcal{H}_0]$  ( $\alpha$  fixed at 5% or 10%)

$\mathcal{H}_{0,i}$  rejected iff  $n\widehat{HSIC}(X_i, Y) > q_{1-\alpha}$  where  $q_{1-\alpha}$  is the  $(1 - \alpha)$  quantile under  $\mathcal{H}_{0,i}$

→ Test function:  $\Delta_\alpha = \mathbf{1}_{n\widehat{HSIC}(X_i, Y) > q_{1-\alpha}}$

- In practice, computation of p-value:

$$p\text{-value} = \mathbb{P}[\widehat{HSIC}(X_i, Y) > \widehat{hsic}_{obs}(X_i, Y)]$$



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- **Asymptotic computation** with Gamma approximation for large  $n$  (Gretton et al. (2008])
- **Permutation-based approximation** for smaller sample size  $n$  (De Lozzo & Marrel (2016a), Meynaoui et al. [2019])

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#### Algorithm 1 – Permutation-based independence test (for each $X_i$ )

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**Require:** The learning sample  $(X_i, Y)$  of  $n$  inputs/outputs  $\{(X_i^{(1)}, Y^{(1)}), \dots, (X_i^{(n)}, Y^{(n)})\}$ ,  $B$  and  $\alpha$

- 1: Compute  $\widehat{\text{HSIC}}_{obs}(X_i, Y)$  from Eq. (2)
  - 2: Generate  $B$  permutation-based samples  $(X_i, Y_{[b]})_{1 \leq b \leq B}$
  - 3: Compute the  $B$  permutation-based estimators  $(\widehat{\text{HSIC}}_b(X_i, Y))_{1 \leq b \leq B}$  by replacing  $Y$  by  $Y_{[b]}$  in Eq. (2)
  - 4: Estimate the  $p$ -value by Monte-Carlo estimator  $\hat{p}_{val,i}^B = \frac{1}{B} \sum_{b=1}^B \mathbb{1}_{\widehat{\text{HSIC}}_b(X_i, Y) > \widehat{\text{HSIC}}_{obs}(X_i, Y)}$
  - 5: **if**  $\hat{p}_{val,i}^B < \alpha$  **then**
  - 6:   **return** reject ( $\mathcal{H}_0^i$ )
  - 7: **else**
  - 8:   **return** accept ( $\mathcal{H}_0^i$ )
  - 9: **end if**
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→ Theoretical demonstration: **permuted-test is of level  $\alpha$**  (Meynaoui et al. [2019])

→ Empirically observed: **power of asymptotic and permutation test equivalent** for a sufficient number  $B$  of permutations

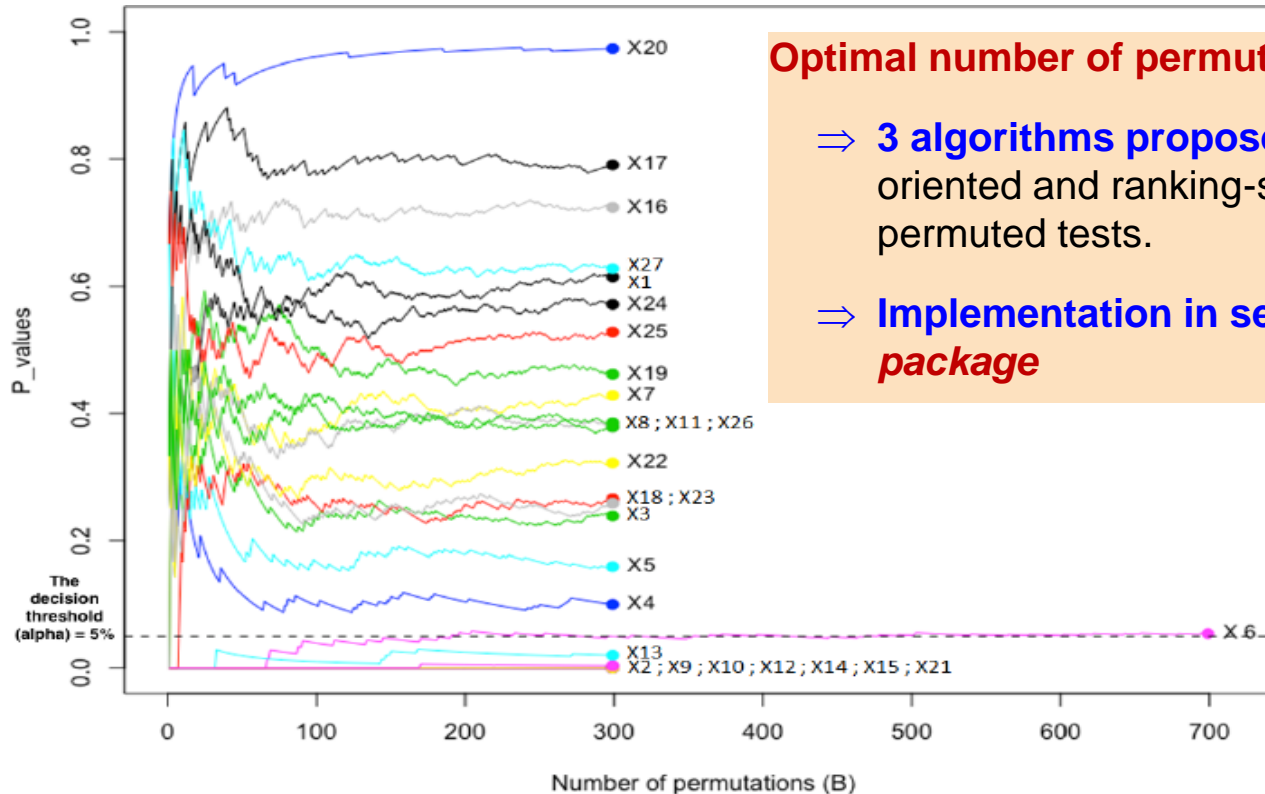
→ Extension for **non independent** identically distributed samples: (El Amri & Marrel [2021b])

- ✓ ok for Latin Hypercube sample (LHS)
- ✓ Correction with **Conditional Randomization Test** for scrambled low-discrepancy sequence (El Amri & Marrel [2021b])
- ✗ Not possible for space-filling LHS



## ► Permutation-based approximation (El Amri & Marrel [2021a])

In practice, which number  $B$  of permutations to accurately estimate p-value?



**Optimal number of permutations according to the final goal**

⇒ **3 algorithms proposed**: screening-oriented, ranking-oriented and ranking-screening-oriented sequential permuted tests.

⇒ **Implementation in sensiHSIC of R Sensitivity package**

In practice reduction of  $B$  to few hundreds.

⇒ Sensitivity studies and convergence studies more tractable

- ▶ Estimation of p-value with **Pearson III**-approximation (El Amri & Marrel [2021b])

$$\widehat{\text{HSIC}}(X, Y) = \frac{1}{n^2} \text{Tr}(K_X H L_Y H) = \frac{1}{n^2} \text{Tr}(\tilde{K}_X \tilde{L}_Y)$$

With  $\tilde{K}_X = (H K_X H)$  and  $\tilde{L}_Y = (H L_Y H)$  double centered matrices

$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  symmetric and with centered rows  
 $W = U U^T$  with  $U \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$  and centered columns  
 $S = \text{Tr}(AW)$

⇒ Distribution of  $S$  when rows of  $U$  are randomly permuted can be approximated by a **Pearson III** + expression of 3 first moments

(Kazi-Aoual et al. [1994])

- ▶ Application to permuted  $\widehat{\text{HSIC}}_b(X, Y)$  statistics with  $A = \tilde{K}_X$  and  $W = \tilde{L}_Y$ 
  - ⇒ Direct approximation, no permutation required
  - ⇒ Fast and very efficient
  - ⇒ **Best method for non-asymptotic framework**

# Solutions for more powerful HSIC tests

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► **Limitation: as mentioned before, usual kernels often depend on parameter**

For 1-D Gaussian kernel: **bandwidth parameter**  $\lambda$  ( $\lambda > 0$ ), estimated in practice either with empirical standard deviation, or empirical median

$$k_G(x_i, x'_i) = \exp\left(-\frac{(x_i - x'_i)^2}{2\lambda^2}\right)$$

→ Heuristic choices without theoretical justifications

→ **Impact on the power of the HSIC-based test** (and quantitative interpretation of HSIC)

► **Solution 1: Aggregated HSIC-tests to take into account several kernels**

→ Improve the power of tests: theoretical demonstration on level and power

→ Improve the robustness of HSIC-based screening

*Albert et al. [2021] and Meynaoui's PhD [2019]*

## ► Methodology of aggregated testing procedure of level $\alpha$ ?

1. Consider a countable **collection of positive bandwidths**  $\Lambda = (\lambda_i)_i$  and  $\mathcal{U} = (\mu_i)_i$  and a **collection of positive weights**  $\{\omega_{\lambda,\mu} / (\lambda,\mu) \in \Lambda \times \mathcal{U}\}$  such that  $\sum_{(\lambda,\mu) \in \Lambda \times \mathcal{U}} e^{-\omega_{\lambda,\mu}} \leq 1$
2. Define a **level for each single test** of the collection  $(\lambda,\mu) \in \Lambda \times \mathcal{U}$  :  $u_\alpha e^{-\omega_{\lambda,\mu}}$

$$\text{Single test rejects } \mathcal{H}_0 \iff \widehat{HSIC}_{\lambda,\mu} > q_{1-u_\alpha}^{\lambda,\mu} e^{-\omega_{\lambda,\mu}}$$

where  $u_\alpha$  is the less conservative value such that the aggregated test is of level  $\alpha$ :

$$u_\alpha = \sup \left\{ u > 0 ; \mathbb{P}_{f_X \otimes f_Y} \left[ \sup_{(\lambda,\mu) \in \Lambda \times \mathcal{U}} \left( \widehat{HSIC}_{\lambda,\mu} > q_{1-u}^{\lambda,\mu} e^{-\omega_{\lambda,\mu}} \right) > 0 \right] \leq \alpha \right\}$$

$\Rightarrow$  In practice  $u_\alpha$  estimated by permutation-based approach

3. Reject independence if there is **at least one single test** that rejects  $\mathcal{H}_0$

$$\Delta_\alpha = 1 \iff \sup_{(\lambda,\mu) \in \Lambda \times \mathcal{U}} \left( \widehat{HSIC}_{\lambda,\mu} > q_{1-u_\alpha}^{\lambda,\mu} e^{-\omega_{\lambda,\mu}} \right) > 0$$

- **Solution 2: HSIC-tests with optimal bandwidths** (*El Amri & Marrel [2021b]*)

$$(\lambda, \mu)_n^* = \underset{\lambda, \mu}{\operatorname{argmax}} \widehat{HSIC}_{\lambda, \mu}$$
$$\widehat{HSIC}^* = \widehat{HSIC}_{(\lambda, \mu)_n^*}$$

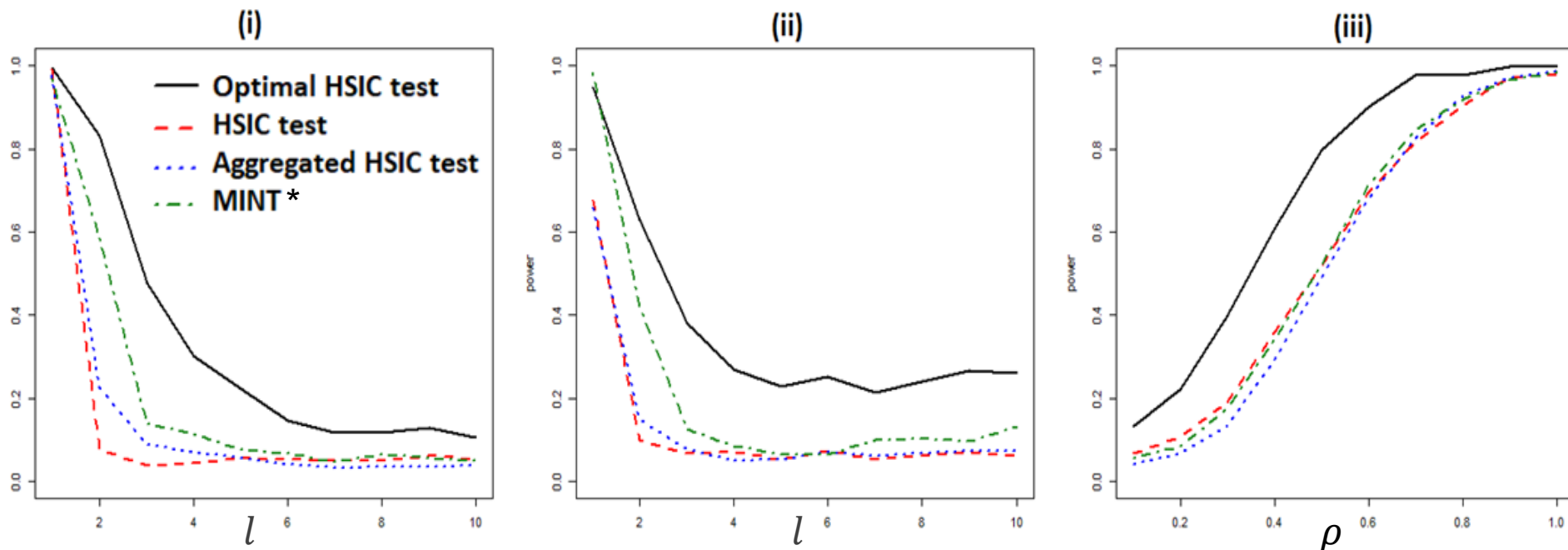
- **Methodology of optimal-bandwidth test:**

- Optimization solved using HSIC gradient and kernel derivatives
- Adaptation of permutation-based method by re-estimating the optimal bandwidths for each permuted sample
- Use of sequential permutation to optimize the number of permutation

► **Illustration on analytical examples** (from Berreth & Samworth [2019], details in Appendix)

Results obtained from 1000 i.i.d. Monte-Carlo samples of size  $n=100$

**Power curves of independence tests** according to shape parameters  $l$  and  $\rho$



\*MINT : Mutual Information-based test

# Extension for Target and Functional Sensitivity Analysis

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► **Goal-oriented SA for safety studies**

(Marrel & Chabridon [2021])

$\Rightarrow$  To measure the input influence in a **restricted output domain**:  $Y \in \mathcal{C}$

$\Rightarrow$  Numerous applications for **safety and risk assessment** ( $\mathcal{C} = \{Y | Y > q_{0.9}\}$ , e.g.)

► **Technical point: choose the characteristic kernel according to the type of data:**

▪ Output = « Is  $Y$  in domain  $\mathcal{C}$ ? »

▪ **Target SA**: measures the influence of  $X$  over **the occurrence** of  $Y \in \mathcal{C}$

$\rightarrow$  Bernoulli output:  $\mathbf{1}_{Y \in \mathcal{C}}(Y) \sim \mathcal{B}(p_{\mathcal{C}})$  with  $p_{\mathcal{C}} = \mathbb{P}[Y \in \mathcal{C}] \Rightarrow$  Dirac Kernel

▪ **Conditional SA**: performed **within  $\mathcal{C}$**  only, ignoring what happens outside

$\rightarrow$  Real output:  $Y | Y \in \mathcal{C}$  with  $\mathbb{P}_{|Y \in \mathcal{C}}[\mathcal{A}] = \frac{\mathbb{P}[\mathcal{A} \cap Y \in \mathcal{C}]}{p_{\mathcal{C}}} \Rightarrow$  Gaussian kernel

► **Goal-oriented HSIC for safety studies**

(Marrel & Chabridon [2021])

$\Rightarrow$  **Brute versions:**

- **Target SA:**  $HSIC(X, \mathbf{1}_{Y \in \mathcal{C}}(Y))$  with Dirac Kernel
- **Conditional SA:**  $HSIC(X, Y | Y \in \mathcal{C})$  with Gaussian Kernel

$\Rightarrow$  **Smoother versions** to cope with the loss of information and take into account some information outside  $\mathcal{C} \rightarrow$  **Use of weight function  $W_{\mathcal{C}}$  for relaxation**

$$W_{\mathcal{C}} : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow [0,1]$$

$$W_{\mathcal{C}}(y) = e^{-d_{\mathcal{C}}(y)/s} \quad \text{and} \quad d_{\mathcal{C}}(y) = \inf_{y' \in \mathcal{C}} \|y - y'\|$$

$\rightarrow HSIC(X, W_{\mathcal{C}}(Y))$  and  $HSIC(X, W_{\mathcal{C}}(Y) | Y \in \mathcal{C})$

*Similar use for optimization purpose in Spagnol et al. [2019]*

✓ **Implementation in sensiHSIC of *R Sensitivity package*** :

Estimators of  $HSIC(X, W_{\mathcal{C}}(Y))$  + asymptotic and permuted-based tests

► **SA for functional data**

(El Amri & Marrel [2021b])

Output is a random function of time or space  $\Rightarrow$  which kernel?

One solution: combine

1. **Functional Principal Component Analysis (FPCA)**
2. Truncation with the  $q$  first terms:  $Y(t) - \mu(t) \approx \sum_{k=1}^q \mathbf{U}_k \varphi_k(t)$
3. Weighed kernel based on the  $q$  FPCA (random) coefficients  $(\mathbf{U}_k)_{k=1,\dots,q}$

$$k(\mathbf{Y}^{(l)}, \mathbf{Y}^{(m)}) = \sum_{h=1}^q w_h k(\|U_h^{(l)} - U_h^{(m)}\|_2^2)$$

Where  $k$  is a usual kernel for real variables (Gaussian e.g.) and weights  $w_h$  correspond to the percentage of variance explained by each component  $U_h$  (cf. eigenvalues from FPCA)

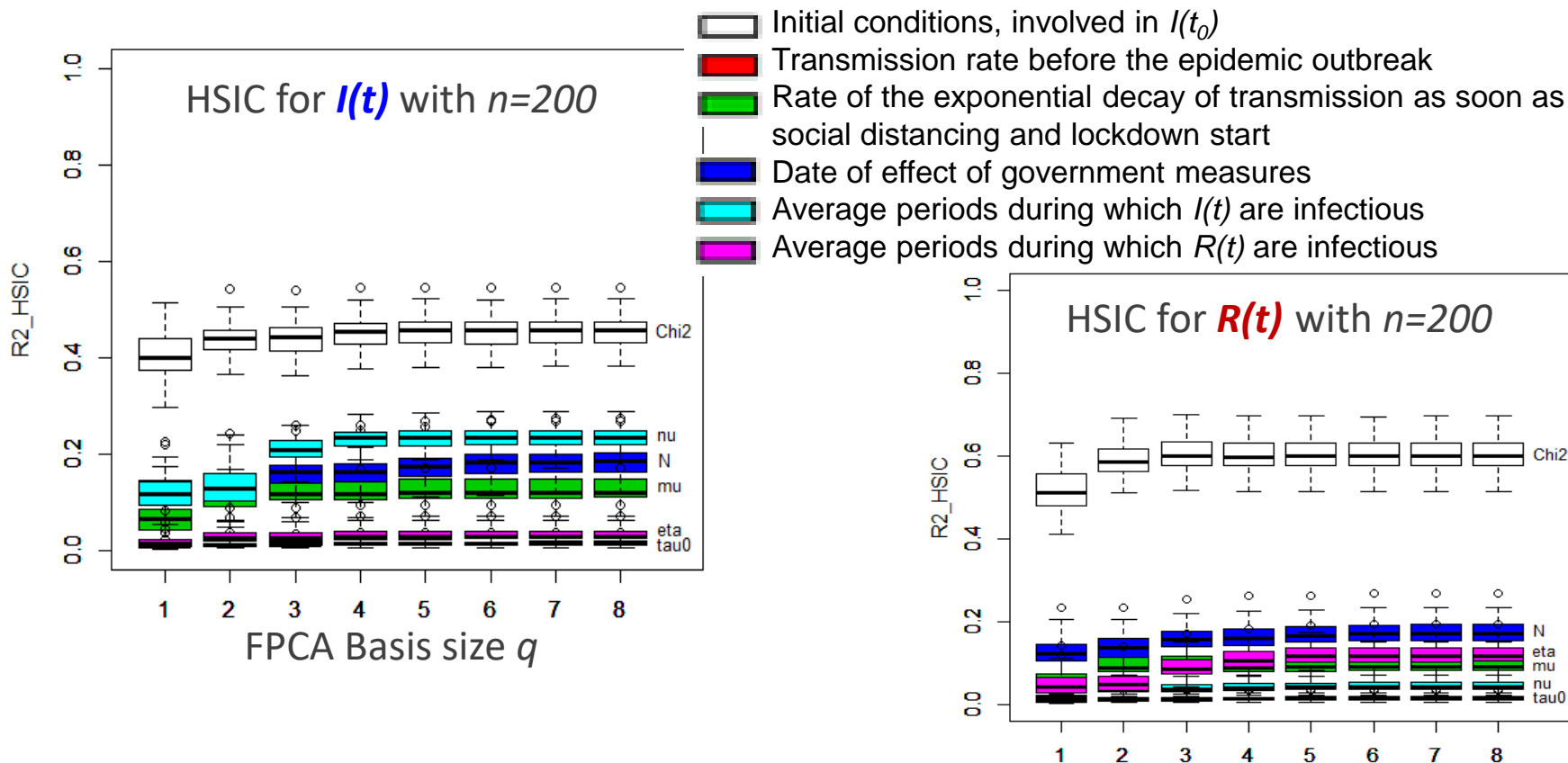
## ► SA for functional data

(El Amri & Marrel [2021b])

Illustration on compartmental epidemiologic model on COVID-19

Modified SIR model (Susceptible – Infected – Recovered) with 6 uncertain inputs

$I(t)$  and  $R(t)$ : number of **asymptomatic** and **reported symptomatic** infectious individuals at time  $t$



## Conclusion and prospects

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## ► HSIC as indices of Sensitivity Analysis

- Focus the SA analysis on the difference between  $P_{X,Y}$  with  $P_X \otimes P_Y$
- Power of RKHS → HSIC=one of the most successful non-parametric dependence measure
- Capture a large spectrum of relationships
- Able to deal with many factors and purposes (ranking, screening, goal-oriented SA)
- **Characterize independence** → efficient for screening and building independence tests !

## ► HSIC-tests of independence for screening

- Rigorous statistical framework, control of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> kind error
- Asymptotic and several non-asymptotic versions
- **P-value** of test → Really efficient for screening and for quantitative SA



**Efficiency demonstrated in numerous industrial applications,  
especially with small sample size and large dimension**

## ► Limitations and prospects remain in HSIC SA indices

- Decomposition into main effects & interactions must be investigated
  - ⇒ Assess the use of **HSIC with ANOVA-like kernels** and **Shapley-HSIC for dependent inputs** (*Da Veiga [2021]*)
  - ⇒ Build associated independence tests
  - ⇒ Assess power for screening and relevancy for ranking



Simulation **A**nalytics and **M**eta-model-based solutions  
for **O**ptimization, **U**ncertainty and **R**eliability **A**nalysIs

- Invariance properties → Preliminary isoprobabilistic transformation? (*Poczos et al. (2018)*)
- Extension “functional” HSIC-tests with other reduction techniques like Dynamic Time Warping?

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