



# On designs for fields and designs for computers

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- Introduction: a short story
- Designs for field experiments
- Designs for computer simulations
- Not a conclusion

## **Notations**

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RAB : my “fairy godmother” in statistics

## Introduction : a short history

### *Period 1 : Designs for field (and lab) experiments*

1987 : first encounter with RAB at Rothamsted Experimental Station

1991 : my PhD and recruitment at INRA

1991 – 1997 : regular mutual visits, 8 joint papers

1997 – 2003 : applications to variety trials

### *Other members of the “French connection”:*

André Kobilinsky, Jean-Marc Azaïs, Pierre Druilhet, Olivier David

*Period 2 : Designs for computer experiments (sensitivity analysis)*

2001– : collaborations on crop and gene flow modelling

2003– increasing reliance on “complex models” at INRA

2004 : SAMO (Sensitivity Analysis of Model Output), Santa Fe

⇒ need for more statistical tools to better assess model behaviour

# Designs for fields

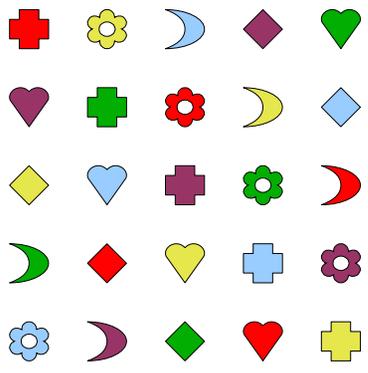
or ... manipulating a bit of Rosemary's toolbox

- combinatorics and algebra
- factorial structures
- permutation groups
- real-life motivation

# Definitions

**Definition 1** *Mutually Orthogonal Latin squares of order  $n (= 5)$ :*

**Definition 2** *Fractional factorial design of resolution 3 or Orthogonal Array of strength 2*



$F_1$ (Row)	$F_2$ (Column)	$F_3$ (Color)	$F_4$ (Symbol)
1	1	1	1
1	2	2	2
1	3	3	3
1	4	4	4
1	5	5	5
2	1	4	5
2	2	5	1
2	3	1	2
...	...	...	...

**Definition 3** *a field*

## Example 1 : Factorial structure for non-factorial designs

*Pseudofactors* useful to design and analyse

- square lattices
- lattice squares
- rectangular lattices
- some partially balanced incomplete block designs
- . . .

*Monod and Bailey, 1992*

## **Extension: affine-resolvable designs**

**Problem:** resolvable design for 12 treatments in blocks of size 6 ?

**Solution:** by using a fractional factorial design for 2-level factors

Resolution III  
 factorial  
 in 12 runs  
 (Orthogonal  
 Array)

Factor	Run (treatment)											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
$F_1$	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	2	2
$F_2$	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	2
$F_3$	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	2	2	2
$F_4$	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	2	2
...												
$F_{11}$	1	2	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	2	1	2

Placket and Burman, 1948

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Optimal  
resolvable  
design for  
12 treatments

Replicate	Block 1						Block 2					
1	1	2	4	5	6	10	3	7	8	9	11	12
2	2	3	5	6	7	11	1	4	8	9	10	12
3	1	3	4	6	7	8	2	5	9	10	11	12
4	2	4	5	7	8	9	1	3	6	10	11	12

**Model:**  $Y = X\tau + Z\beta + \varepsilon$

**Information matrix:**  $M = X' \text{pr}^\perp(Z)X$

**Properties:** Schur-optimality (w.r.t. the eigenvalues of  $M$ )

*Bailey, Monod and Morgan, 1995*

## Example 2 : Factorial structure and neighbour-balance

### **Problem: intercropping experiment**

Each plot : 1 tree species (factor 1) associated with 1 crop species (factor 2)

Possible *interferences* from trees on neighbour plots

Can associations be neighbour-balanced with respect to tree varieties?

**One solution (among others):** mutually orthogonal Latin squares

number = tree species (4)  
 colour = crop species (2)

0	1	2	3	0	1	2	3
1	0	3	2	2	3	0	1
2	3	0	1	3	2	1	0
3	2	1	0	1	0	3	2



3	0	0	1	1	2	2	3	3	0
1	1	2	0	3	3	0	2	1	1
0	2	3	3	2	0	1	1	0	2
2	3	1	2	0	1	3	0	2	3

⇒ *Tree-balanced designs*

**Model:**  $Y = Z\beta + X\tau + L\lambda + R\rho + \varepsilon$

**Properties:**

- orthogonality and optimality
- valid randomization

*Monod and Bailey, 1992; Monod and Bailey, 1993*

### Example 3 : semi-Latin squares

Complete blocks by rows and by columns for 8 treatments?

0	1	2	3	0	1	2	3
1	0	3	2	2	3	0	1
2	3	0	1	3	2	1	0
3	2	1	0	1	0	3	2



0	0	1	1	2	2	3	3
1	2	0	3	3	0	2	1
2	3	3	2	0	1	1	0
3	1	2	0	1	3	0	2

Mut. Orthog. Latin squares  $\implies$  *optimal doubly resolvable designs*

*Bailey, 1988, 1992;*

*Bailey and Monod, 2001 (semi-Latin rectangles)*

## Applications to real field experiments

### *Control of inter-plot competition*

- workshop on competition in variety trials

⇒ no neighbour-balanced designs but . . .

adoption of systematic guard rows around harvested rows (maize, cereals, oilseed rape)

### *Control of between-plot heterogeneity*

- increasing use of incomplete block designs in variety trials

⇒ adoption of semi-Latin squares (maize, cereals, oilseed rape)

### ITCF semi-Latin square with 32 varieties of winter barley

	Column 1								Column 2								Column 3								Column 4							
L1	20	26	28	27	4	5	32	10	31	14	1	8	6	22	24	19	13	17	16	21	29	7	23	11	18	3	2	25	9	30	15	12
L2	6	2	23	15	7	24	19	30	13	3	10	27	4	17	12	16	28	9	25	8	18	20	31	22	14	32	5	21	26	11	1	29
L3	9	29	17	1	8	12	16	25	30	20	7	26	11	32	18	21	27	14	6	5	15	4	3	2	31	23	13	22	28	19	24	10
L4	11	31	13	22	21	18	3	14	5	2	23	15	28	29	25	9	19	12	32	1	10	26	24	30	16	6	8	27	4	20	17	(7)

Analysis	Term	df	Sum	Mean	F
semi-L. sq.			Squares	Square	
	Variety	31	2850.1	91.9	8.4
	Row	3	2949.4	983.1	89.5
	Column	3	556.6	185.5	16.9
	Sub-block	9	853.8	94.9	8.6
	Residual	80	879.0	11.0	

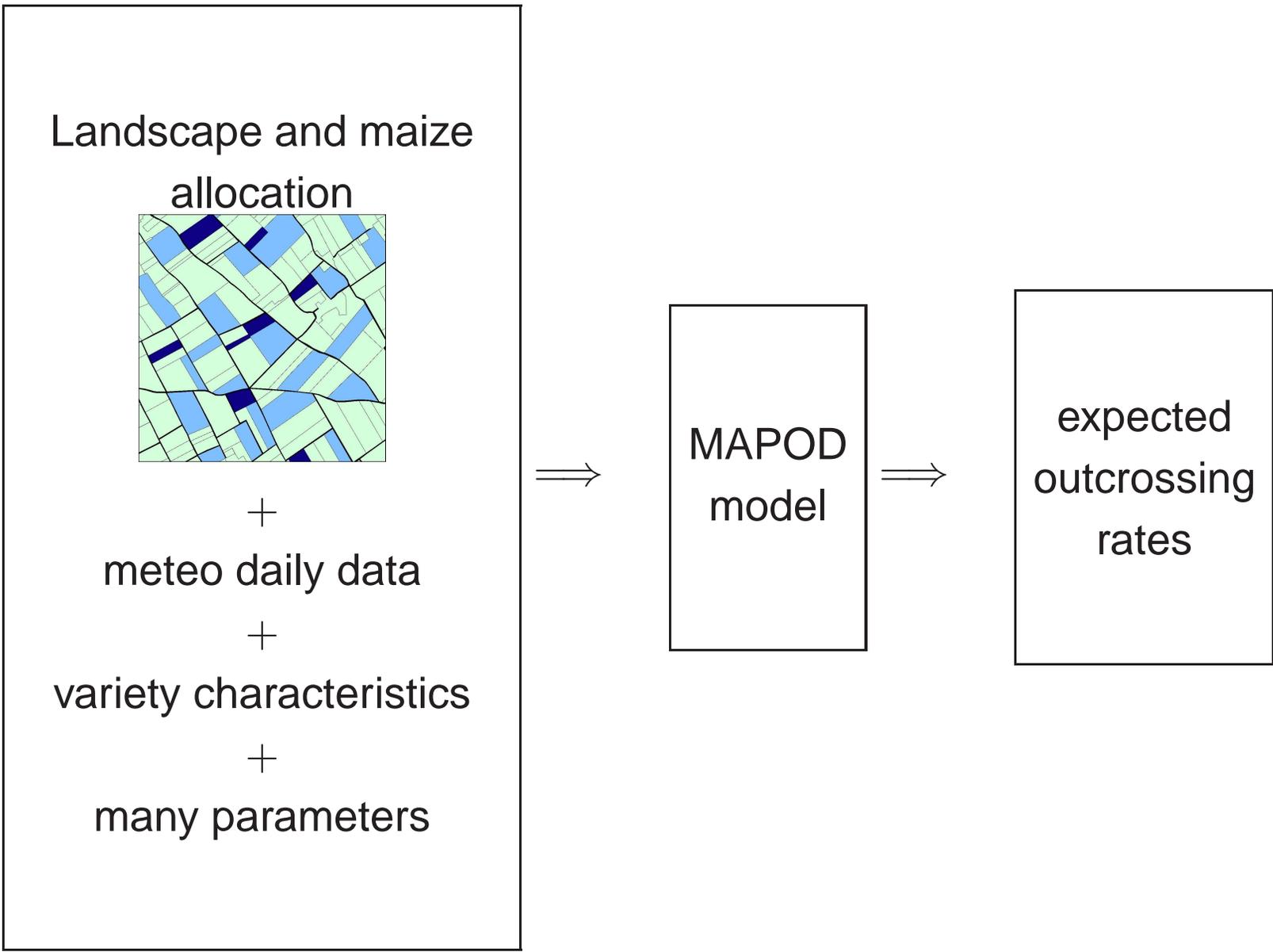
## **Designs for sensitivity analysis**

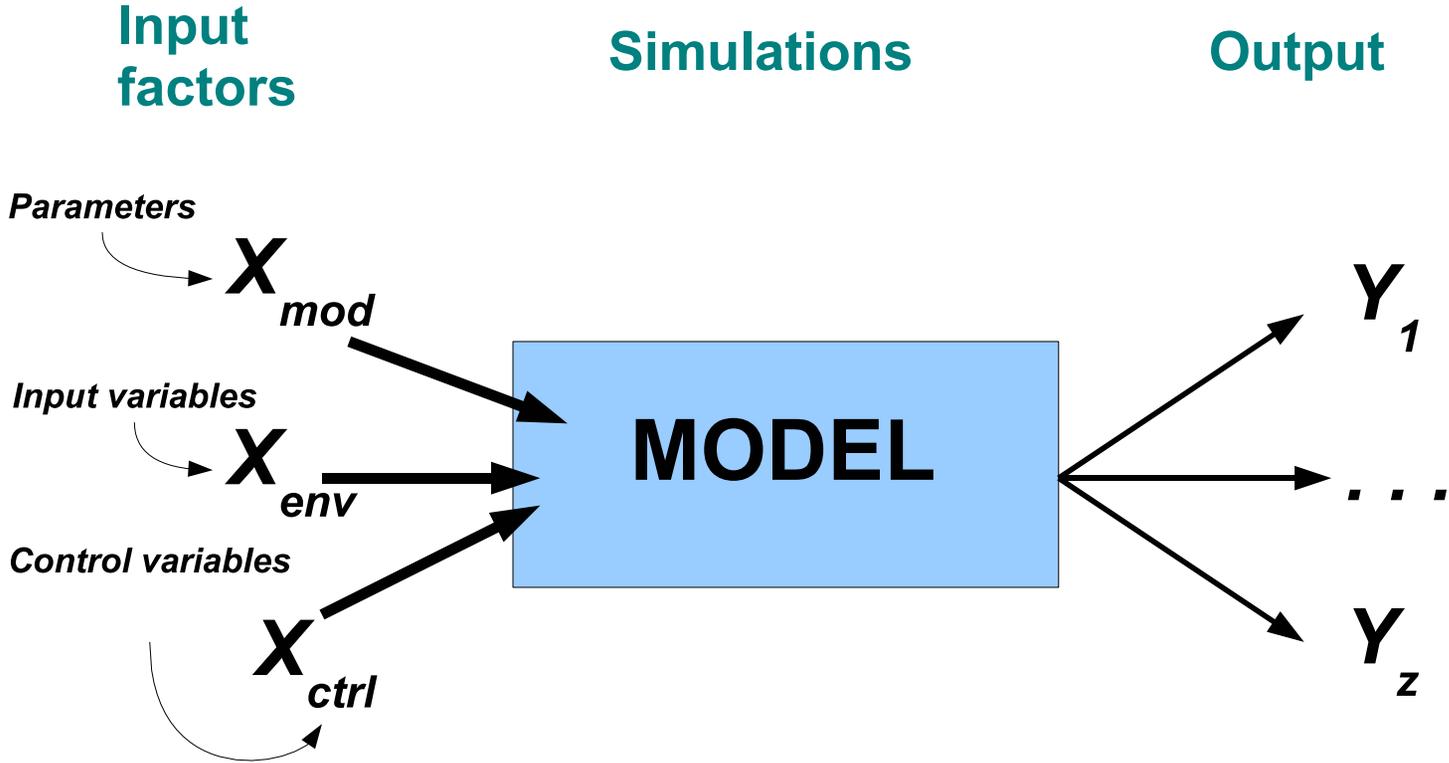
Saltelli, Chang and Scott 2000;

Santner, Williams and Notz 2003;

Fang, Li and Sudjianto 2006

### Example: modelling gene flow over a landscape

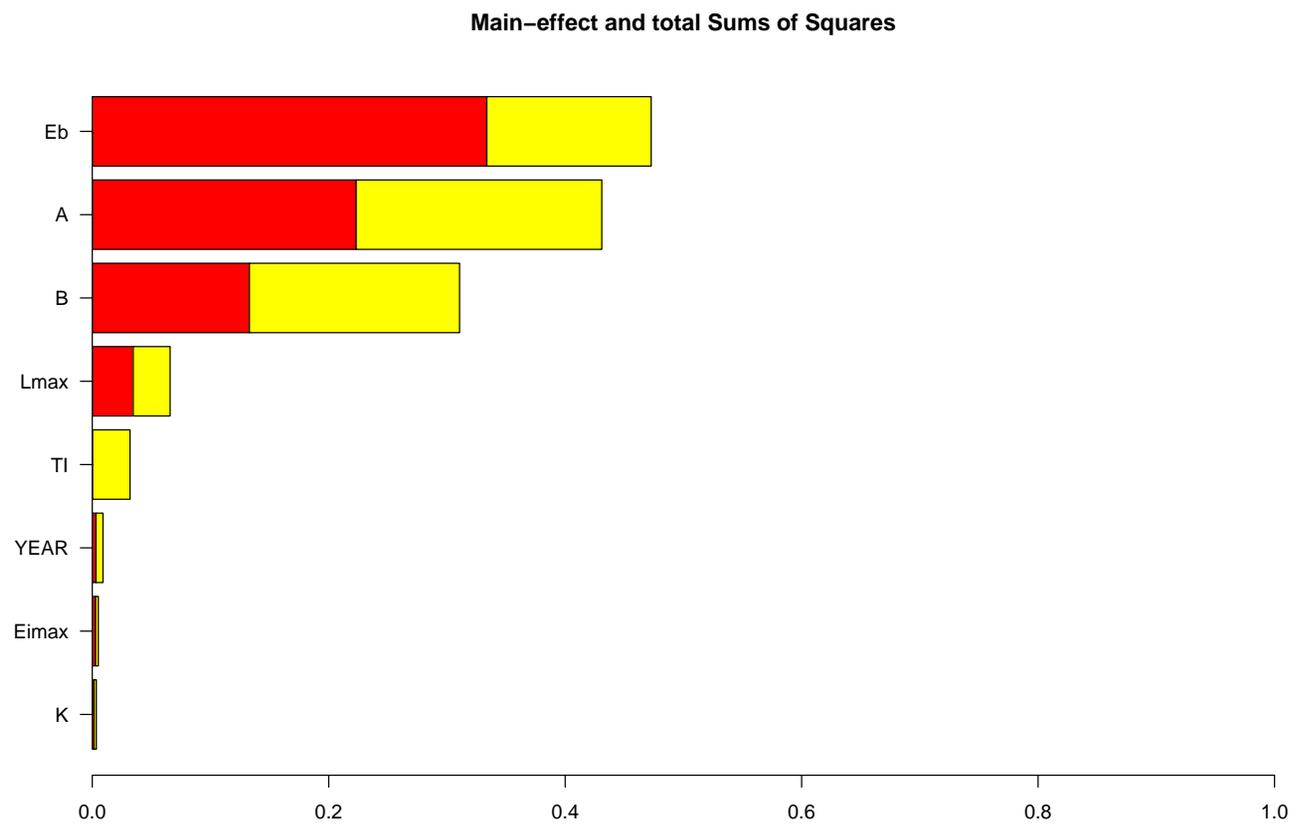




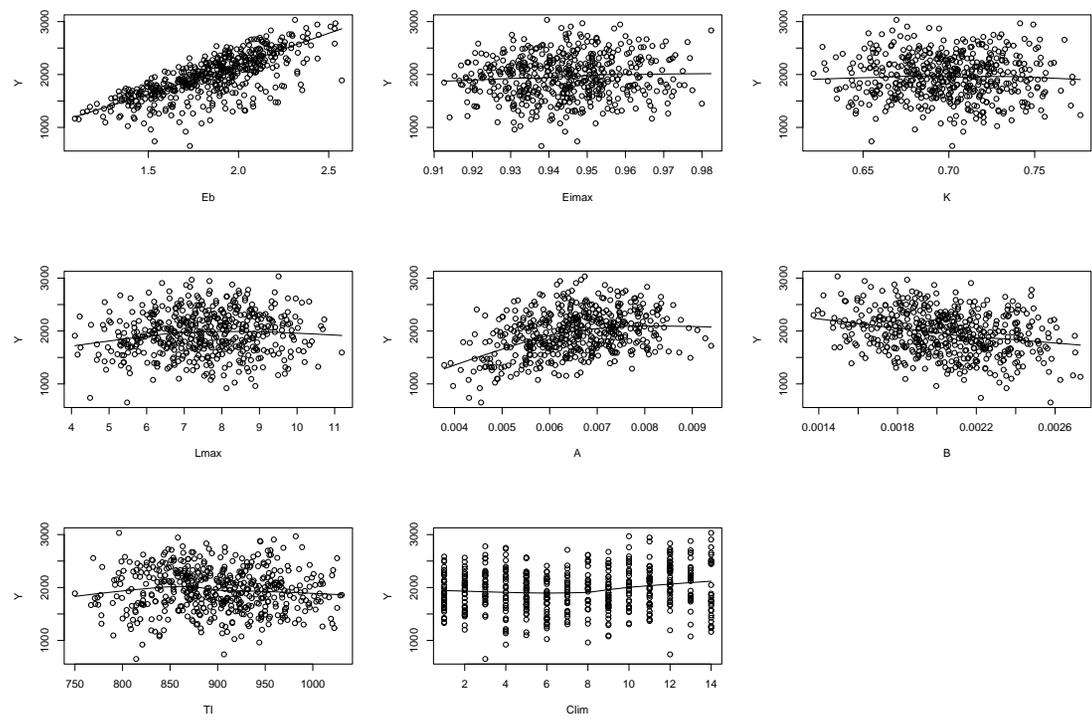
## **Main objectives of sensitivity analysis**

- identify the most influent input factors
- quantify the contribution of each input factor to output variability
- better understand/check model behaviour

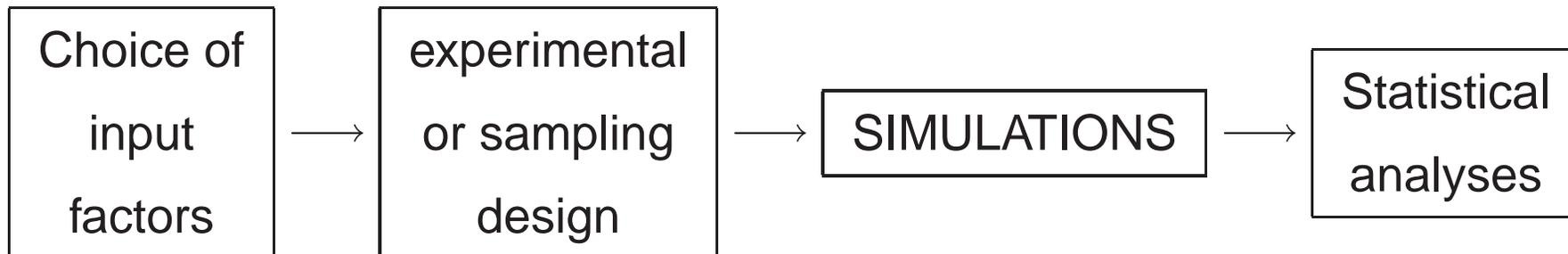
# Example: Calculation of sensitivity indices



# Example: Analysis and representation of output variability



## Main steps of sensitivity analysis



## Comparison with classical designs

### Similarities

- temptation for one-factor-at-a-time
- analysis of variance approach
- *sparsity principle*
  - high-order interactions  $\longrightarrow$  smaller (negligible) effects
  - few factors have a non-negligible effect

## Differences

- large diversity of factor and possible run numbers
- no need for replication and blocking (if model is deterministic)
- *sparsity principle*
  - emphasis on dense exploration of the intervals of variation

## Variance-based approaches

**Sobol decomposition** of the model function  $\hat{Y} = f(x)$  :

Input domain :  $\Omega^n = \{ x \mid 0 \leq x_i \leq 1 \ ; \ i = 1 \dots n \}$

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = f_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x_i) + \sum_{0 \leq i, j \leq n} f_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) + \dots + f_{1, \dots, n}(x_1, \dots, x_n),$$

with

$$f_0 = \int_{\Omega^n} f(x) dx$$

$$f_1(x_1) = \int_{\Omega^{n-1}} f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) dx_2 \dots dx_n - f_0$$

etc.

Orthogonality  $\Rightarrow$  Variance decomposition of  $\hat{Y}$

$$D = \int_{\Omega^n} f^2(x) dx - f_0^2.$$

$$D_1 = \int_0^1 f_1^2(x_1) dx_1$$

etc.

Sensitivity indices on  $Y$ :

$$S_{i_1, \dots, i_k} = \frac{D_{i_1, \dots, i_k}}{D} =$$

$$TS_i = 1 - \frac{D_{\sim i}}{D}.$$

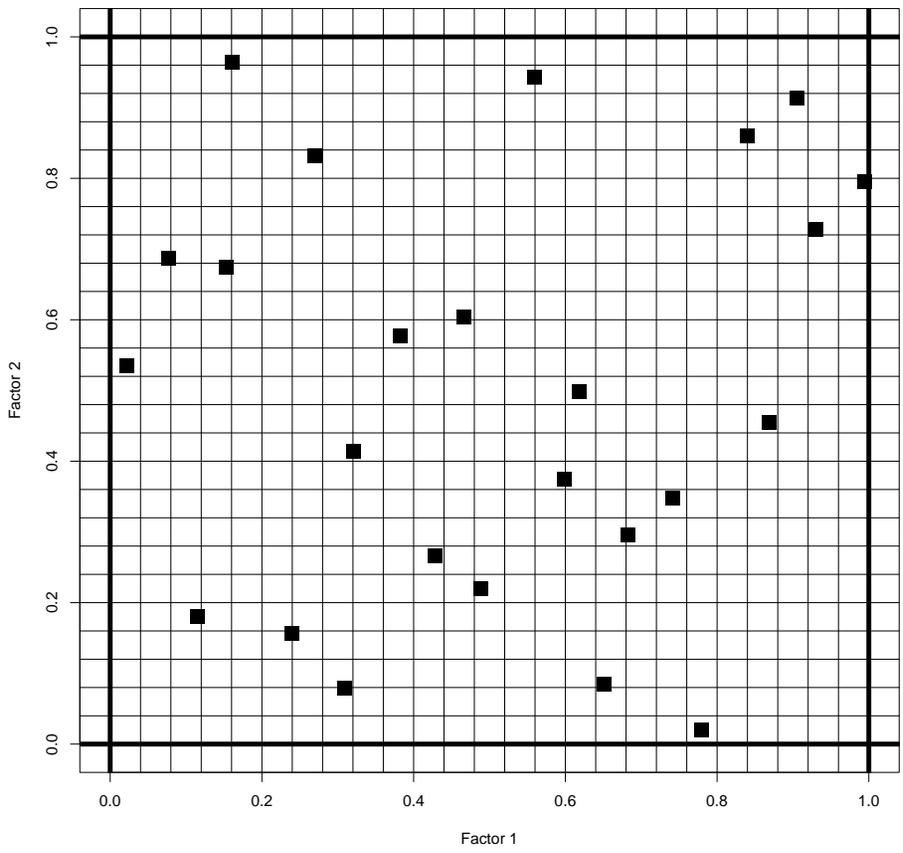
## Design issues

or ... trying to manipulate a toolbox without Rosemary!

- “factorial design + anova” useful but also
- *Latin hypercube* (McKay et al 1979)
- good lattices (different meaning)
- “quasi-replications” (Morris designs, “winding stairs”)
- random sampling and scrambling
- + quasi-Monte Carlo methods, uniform designs, optimality, discrepancy,  
...

# Latin hypercube

**Latin hypercube** of order  $s = 25$  for  $n$  factors :  
one sample in each sub-interval of size  $1/s$



**Advantages :**

- good exploration of each input factor

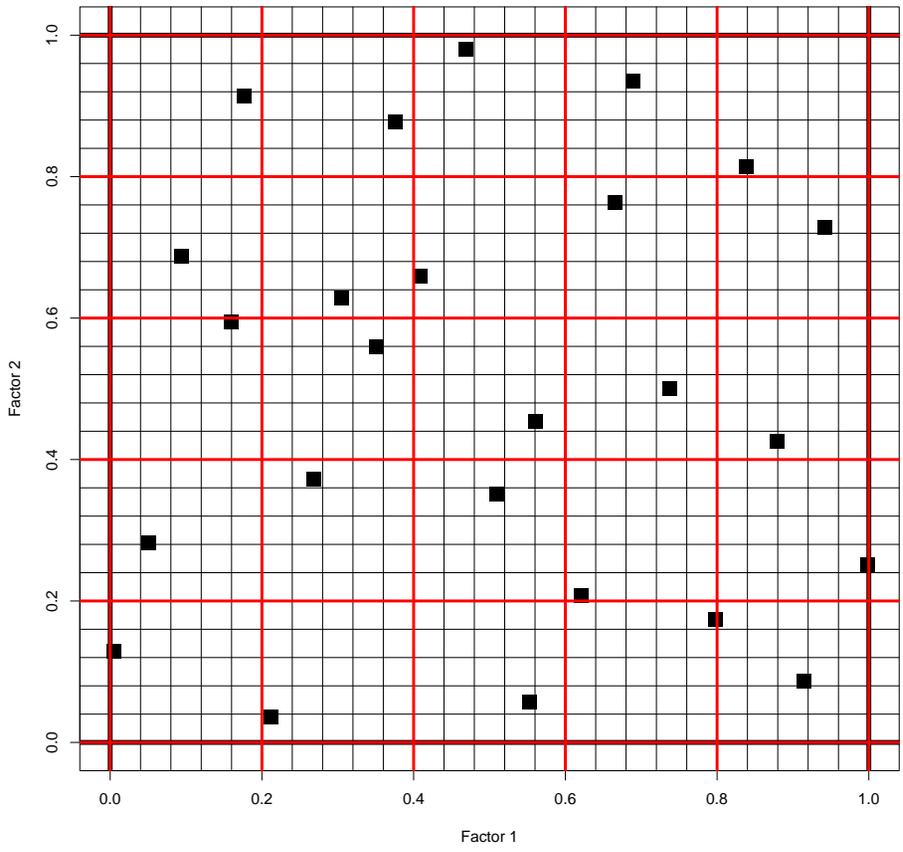
**Drawback :**

- no control on the marginals of order  $> 1$

# More structured Latin hypercubes

**Motivations:** better control of marginals of order  $> 1$

*Example 1:* OA-based Latin hypercubes of order 5 (Tang, 1993)

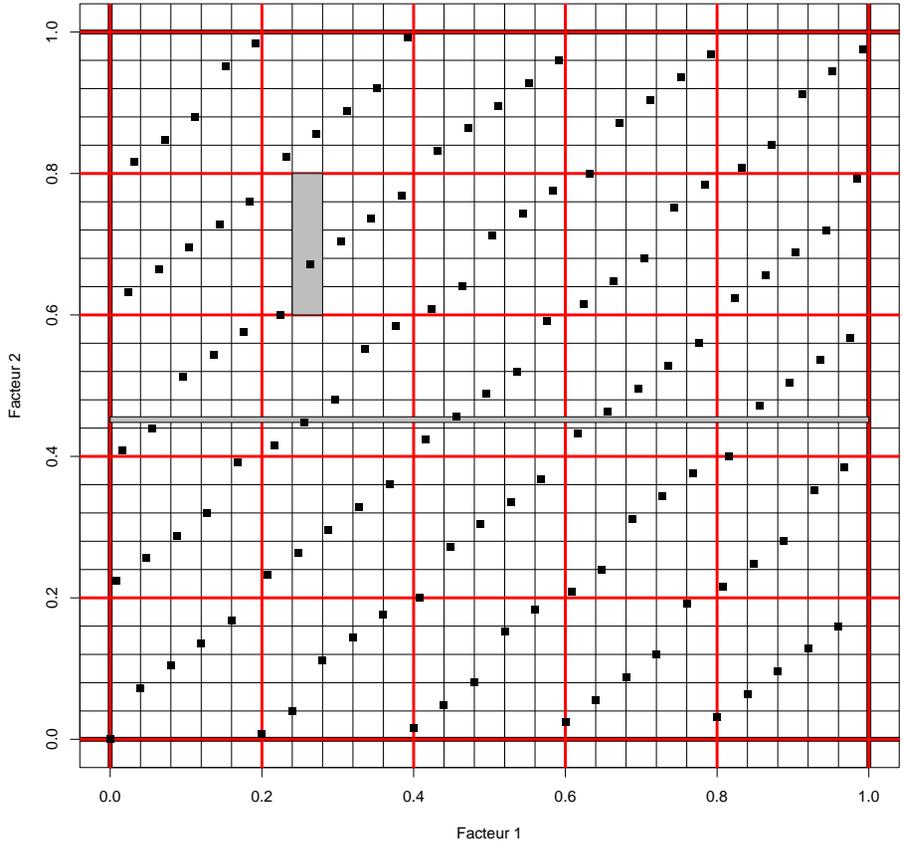


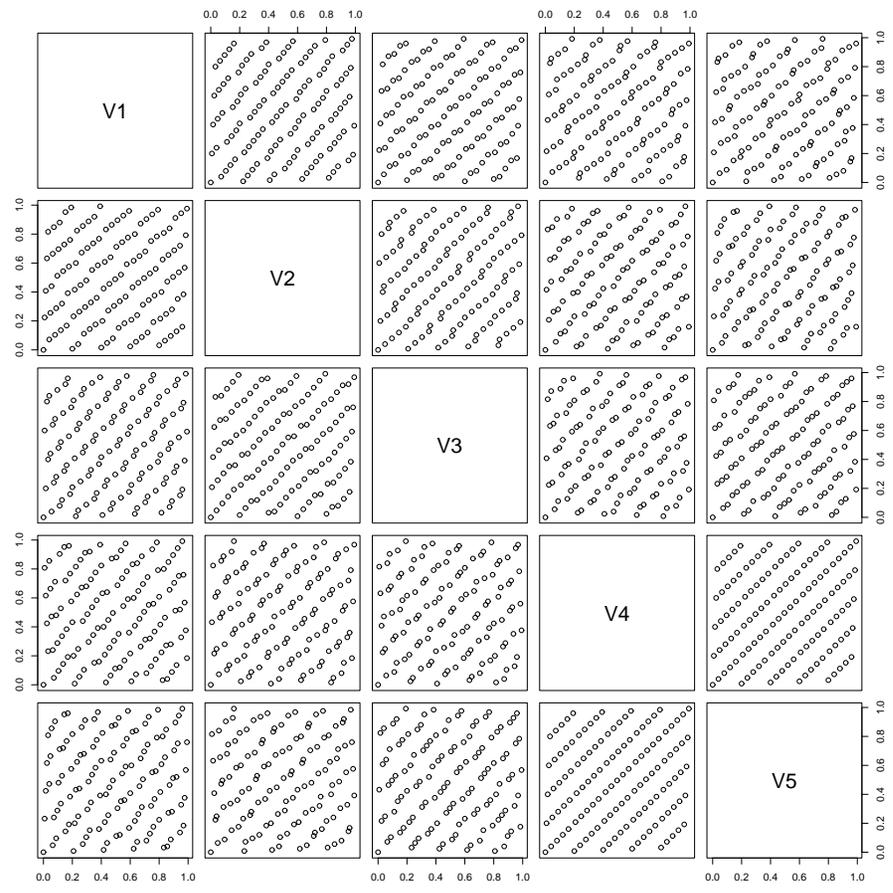
**Properties:**

one sample in each sub-interval of size  $1/s$

one sample in each  $1/s \times 1/s$  square, for any two factors

Example 2:  $(0, m, s)$ -net (Niederreiter, 1992); scrambled version (Owen, 1995)





**Properties:**

- one sample in each sub-interval of size  $(1/s)^m$
- one sample in each  $1/s \times \dots \times 1/s$  hypercube, for any  $m$  factors
- one sample in each hyperrectangle of volume  $(1/s)^m$ , for any  $k \leq m$  factors

## Applications to complex models

*Just starting*

- working groups at INRA (Mexico)
- much motivation from modellers
- Groupement De Recherche with wide area of applications (MascotNum)