



DAKOTA 101

Sensitivity Analysis

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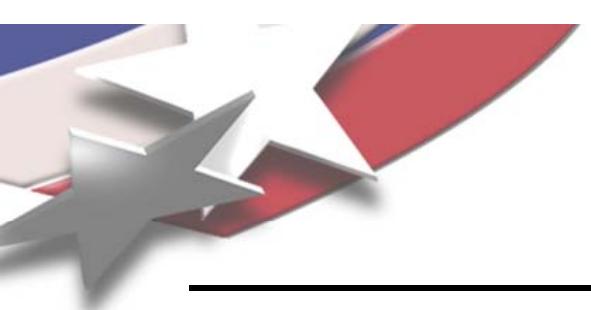
Learning goals:

- Define sensitivity analysis and know when and why to apply it
- Use DAKOTA to perform sensitivity analyses; understand potential pitfalls



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Sensitivity Analysis and UQ Terminology



- **Sensitivity Analysis (SA):**

- How do code outputs vary due to changes in code inputs?
- **Local sensitivity:** code output gradient (derivative) data for a specific set (or sets) of code input parameter values
- **Global sensitivity:** the general trends of the code outputs over the full range of code input parameter values (linear, quadratic, etc.)

- **Uncertainty Quantification (UQ):**

- **Aleatoric UQ:** What are the statistics or probability distributions on code outputs, given probability distributions on code inputs?
 - Estimate Probability [$f(x) > f^*$], e.g., probability of system failure
- **Epistemic UQ:** What are the possible/plausible code outputs?

- **Validation:**

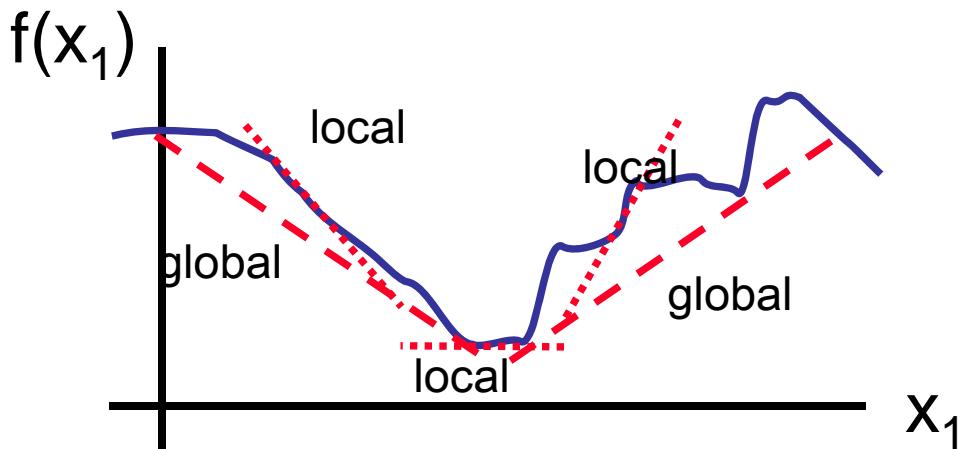
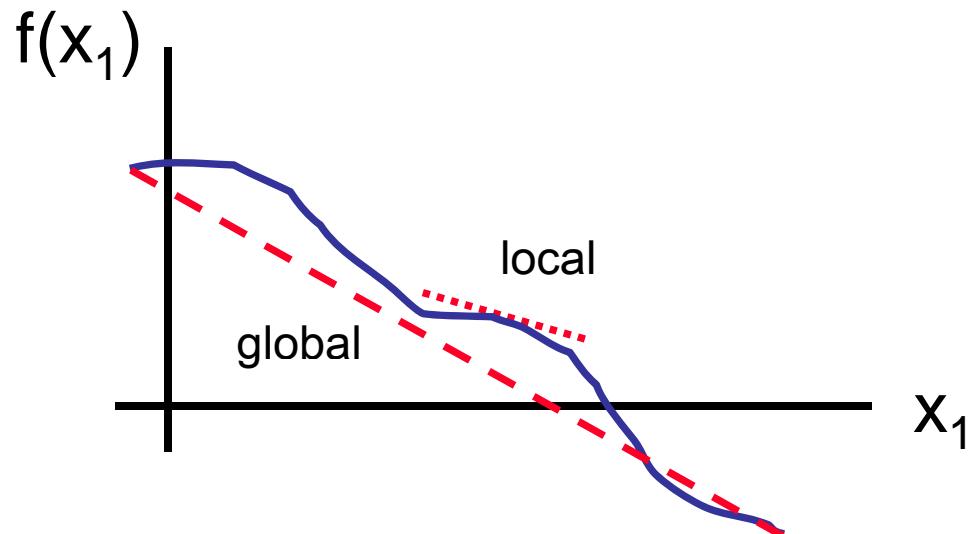
- How “close” are my code output predictions to experimental data, including UQ for both?

- **Quantification of margins and uncertainties (QMU):**

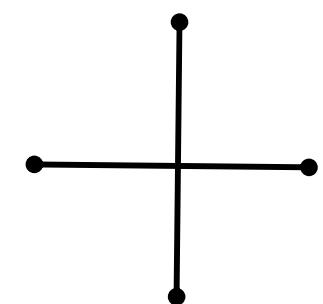
- How “close” are my code output predictions (including UQ) to the system’s required performance level?

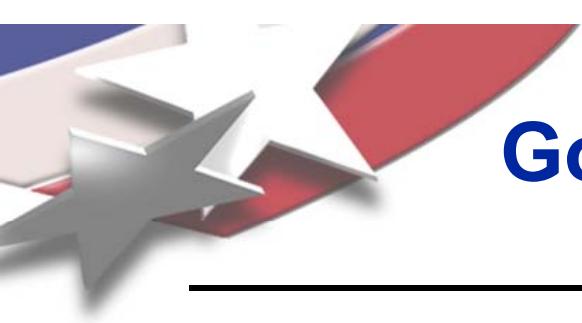


Examples of Sensitivity Analysis



- **Sensitivity analysis examines variations in $f(x_1)$ due to perturbations in x_1 .**
 - Local sensitivities are typically partial derivatives.
 - Given a specific x_1 , what is the slope at that point?
 - Global sensitivities are typically found via regression.
 - What is the trend of the function over all values of x_1 ?





Goals of Sensitivity Analysis



- Identify most important variables and their interactions
 - Provide a focus for resources
 - Model development
 - Code development
 - Uncertainty characterization
 - Provide a basis for constructing surrogate models
 - Select variables for use in optimization
 - Screening: Identity the most important variables, downselect for further analysis
- Can have the side effect of identifying code and model issues

Exercise: Determine trends relative to parameters for cantilever problem

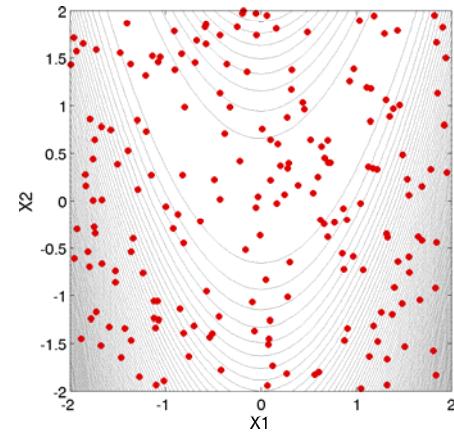


- Use Jaguar to construct and run a sampling study to determine most influential parameters for cantilever
 - 6 uniform variables:

Variable	R	E	X	Y	beam_width	beam_thickness
Upper bound	48000	4.50E+07	700	1200	2.2	2.2
Lower Bound	32000	1.50E+07	300	800	2	2

- 3 responses
 - 100 samples

- Review correlations
 - Simple correlation: measures the strength and direction of a linear relationship between variables
 - Partial correlation: like simple correlation but adjusts for the effects of the other variables
 - Rank correlations: simple and partial correlations performed on “rank” of data





Potential Solution: Sensitivity Analysis for Cantilever



```
# DAKOTA INPUT FILE - dakota_sa_cantilever.in
strategy,
    single_method
    tabular_graphics_data
method,
    sampling
    sample_type lhs
    seed =52983
    samples = 100
variables,
    uniform_uncertain =6
    upper_bounds   48000   45.E+6  700.  1200.  2.2   2.2
    lower_bounds   32000.   15.E+6  300.   800.   2.0   2.0
    descriptors   'R' 'E' 'X' 'Y' 'beam_width' 'beam_thickness'
interface,
    direct
    analysis_driver = 'mod_cantilever'
responses,
    num_response_functions = 3
    response_descriptors = 'weight' 'stress' 'displ'
    no_gradients
    no_hessians
```

SA Results for Cantilever



Simple Correlation Matrix

	<i>R</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>Y</i>	beam width	beam thickness	<i>weight</i>	<i>stress</i>	<i>displ</i>
<i>R</i>	1.000								
<i>E</i>	-0.022	1.000							
<i>X</i>	0.012	-0.007	1.000						
<i>Y</i>	0.020	0.017	-0.027	1.000					
beam width	0.009	-0.009	-0.017	-0.014	1.000				
beam thickness	0.003	-0.013	0.038	-0.025	-0.012	1.000			
weight	0.011	-0.016	0.014	-0.027	0.703	0.703	1.000		
stress	-0.345	0.022	0.557	0.579	-0.303	-0.339	-0.457	1.000	
displ	0.009	-0.879	0.085	0.293	-0.125	-0.164	-0.207	0.313	1.000

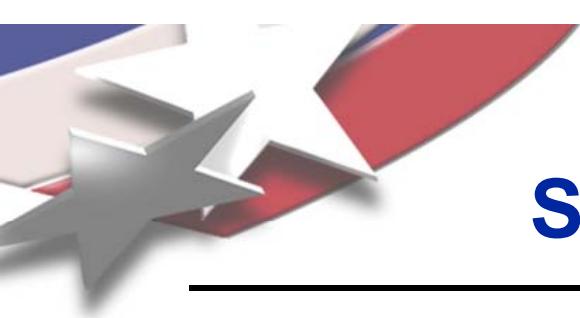
Partial Correlation Matrix between Input and Output:

	weight	stress	displ
R	0.137	-0.990	-0.058
E	-0.026	0.015	-0.954
X	-0.009	0.996	0.313
Y	0.052	0.996	0.735
beam_width	1.000	-0.984	-0.421
beam_thickness	1.000	-0.989	-0.525

Partial Rank Correlation Matrix between Input and Output:

	weight	stress	displ
R	-0.071	-0.837	-0.056
E	0.082	-0.085	-0.981
X	0.179	0.924	0.531
Y	-0.055	0.934	0.824
beam_width	0.981	-0.800	-0.559
beam_thickness	0.980	-0.838	-0.753

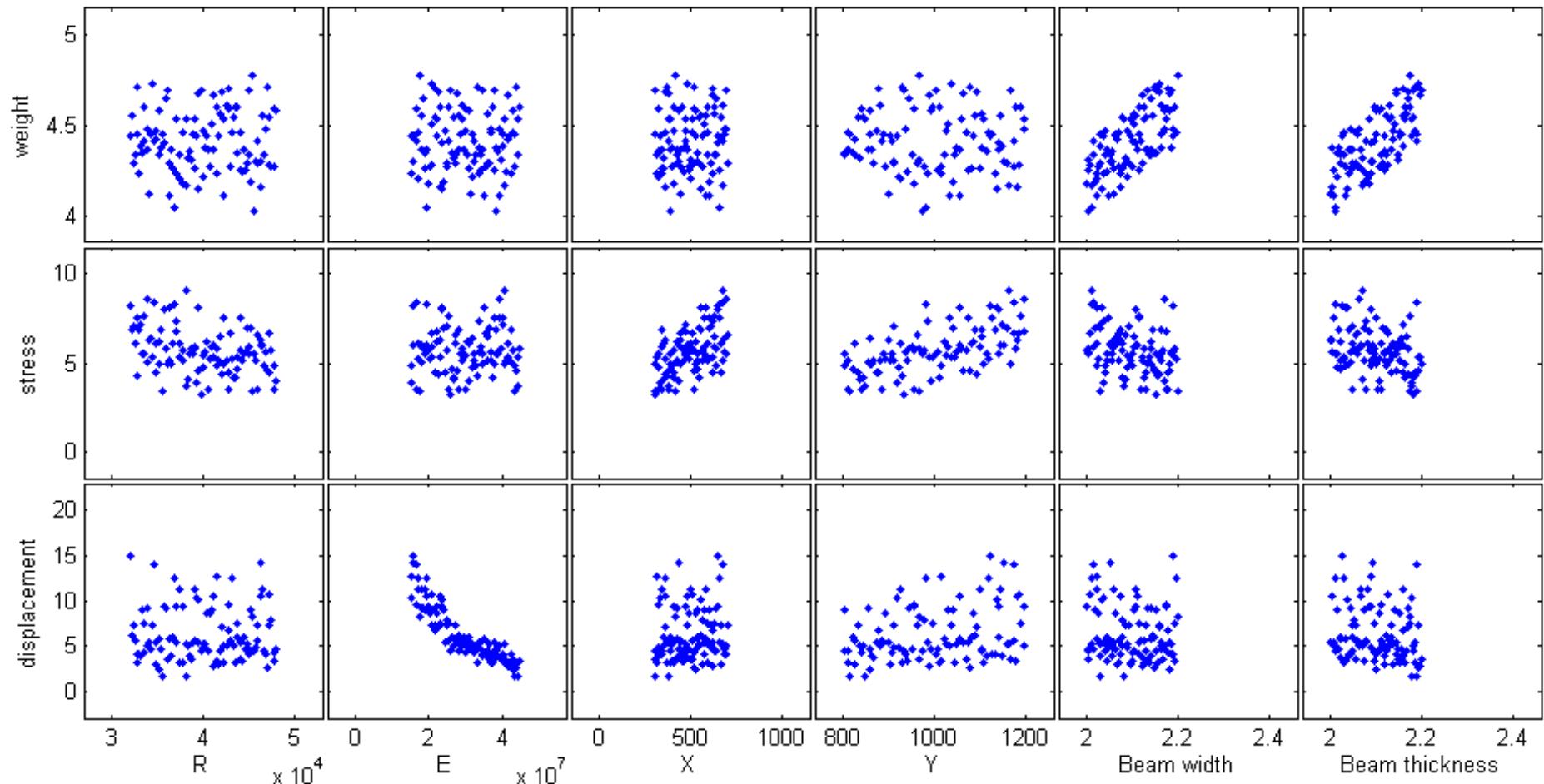
Beam width and thickness are important contributors to all outputs, several other variables also rate highly on partial correlations.

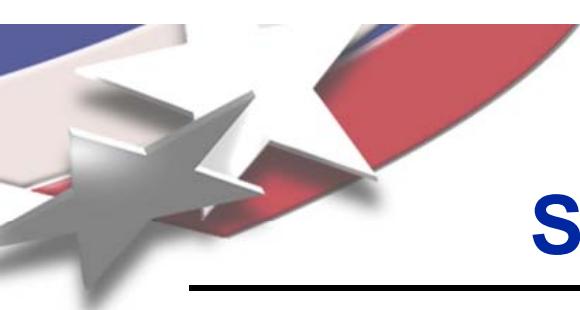


Exercise: Input/Output Scatter Plots for Cantilever

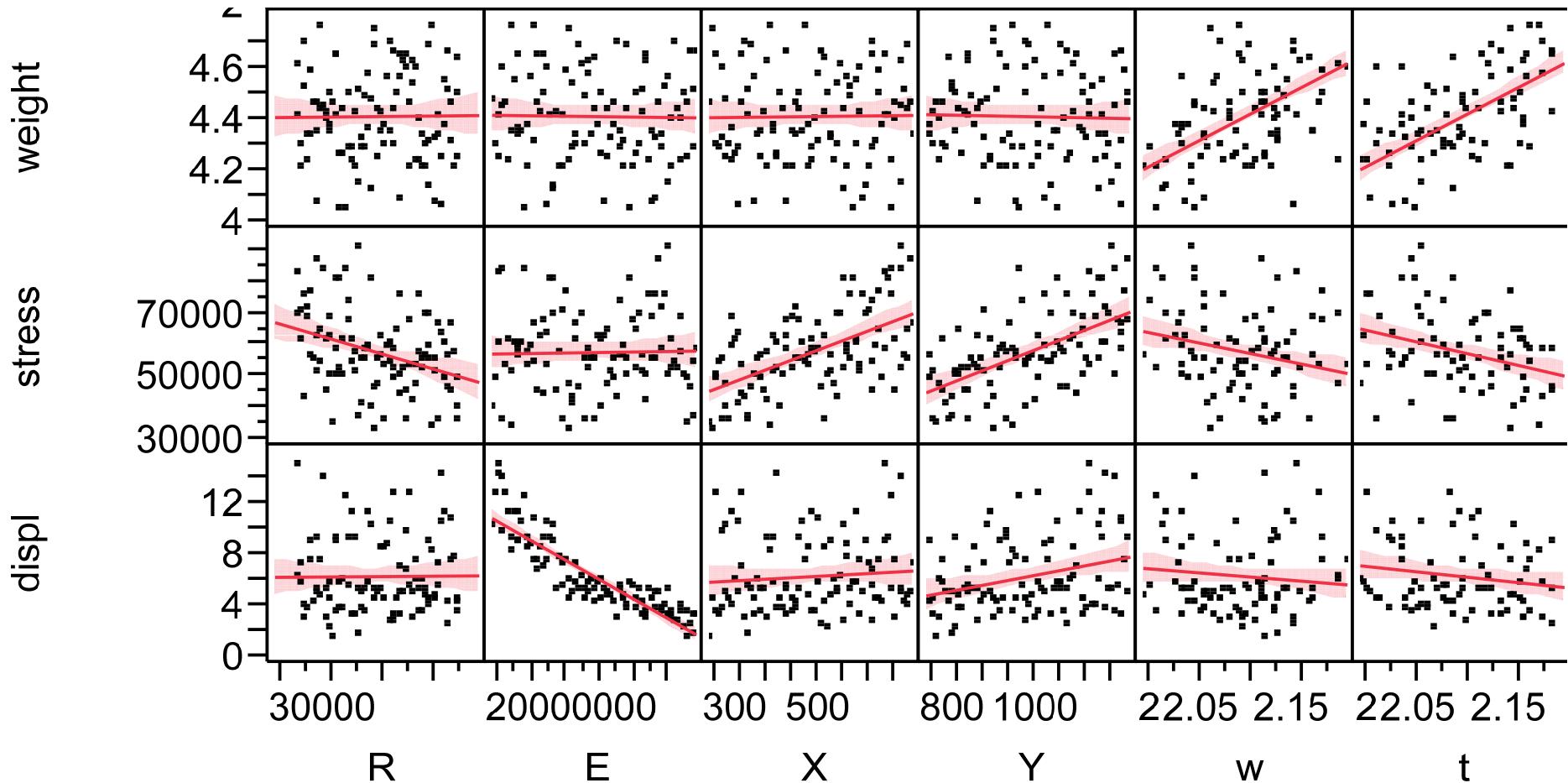


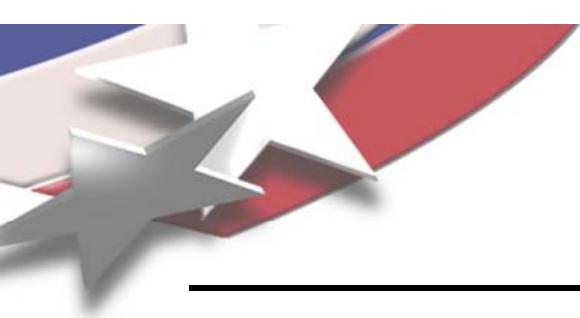
The `dakota_tabular.dat` file can be used in Minitab, JMP, Excel, etc., to generate scatter plots





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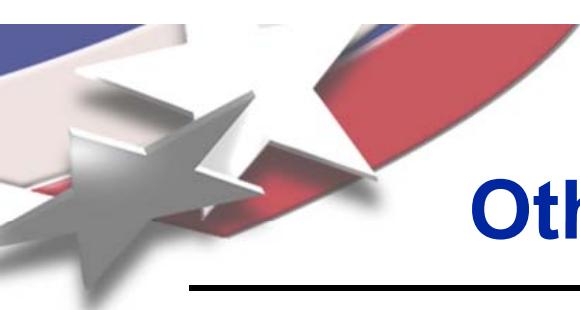




Additional Sensitivity Analysis Capabilities



- Variance-based decomposition (via sampling or PCE)
 - Goal: Apportion uncertainty in responses to uncertainty in inputs
 - Expensive: $K^*(N+2)$ simulations required, $K = \# \text{ samples}$, $N = \# \text{ variables}$, recommended $K \geq 100$
 - Exercise: Modify the sensitivity analysis method to perform variance-based decomposition on the cantilever problem
- Main Effects/Analysis of Variance (ANOVA)
 - Goal: Determine effect of a variable on mean behavior
 - Uses design of experiments: Coverage of space (e.g., space filling, interior, boundaries/extremes, etc.) varies by design
 - Exercise: Modify the sensitivity analysis method to perform a main effects analysis using an orthogonal array on the cantilever problem



Exercise: Explore Other SA Methods for Cantilever



```
method,  
sampling  
  sample_type lhs  
  seed =52983  
  samples = 100
```

LHS Sampling

```
method,  
sampling  
  sample_type lhs  
  seed =52983  
  samples = 500  
  variance_based_decomp
```

Variance-based Decomposition using LHS Sampling

SAME INPUT DECK,
JUST CHANGE METHOD SPEC

```
method,  
dace oas  
main_effects  
seed =52983  
samples = 500
```

Main Effects Analysis using Orthogonal Arrays

```
method,  
psuade_moat  
partitions = 3  
seed =52983  
samples = 100
```

Morris One-At-a-Time

Additional Sensitivity Analysis Capabilities



Global sensitivity indices for each response function:

weight	Sobol	indices:	
	Main	Total	
	0.00	0.00	R
	0.00	0.00	E
	0.00	0.00	X
	0.00	0.00	Y
	0.49	0.51	beam_width
	0.51	0.52	beam_thickness
stress	Sobol	indices:	
	Main	Total	
	0.16	0.13	R
	0.00	0.00	E
	0.37	0.36	X
	0.39	0.36	Y
	0.08	0.08	beam_width
	0.11	0.12	beam_thickness
displ	Sobol	indices:	
	Main	Total	
	0.00	0.00	R
	0.90	0.92	E
	0.02	0.02	X
	0.07	0.08	Y
	0.02	0.01	beam_width
	0.04	0.05	beam_thickness

Variance-based decomposition

Response Function 1

ANOVA	Table	for	Factor	(Variable)	4
Source	of	Sum	of	Mean	Sum
Variation	DoF	Squares	of	Squares	Fdata
Between	Groups	22	2.18E-03	9.89E-05	3.22E-03 Y
Within	Groups	506	1.55E+01	3.07E-02	
Total	528	1.55E+01			
ANOVA	Table	for	Factor	(Variable)	5
Source	of	Sum	of	Mean	Sum
Variation	DoF	Squares	of	Squares	Fdata
Between	Groups	22	7.80E+00	3.55E-01	2.32E+01 Beam Width
Within	Groups	506	7.73E+00	1.53E-02	
Total	528	1.55E+01			
ANOVA	Table	for	Factor	(Variable)	6
Source	of	Sum	of	Mean	Sum
Variation	DoF	Squares	of	Squares	Fdata
Between	Groups	22	7.70E+00	3.50E-01	2.26E+01 Beam Thickness
Within	Groups	506	7.84E+00	1.55E-02	
Total	528	1.55E+01			

Main Effects Analysis

Same relative ranking across methods



DAKOTA Sensitivity Analysis

- Parameter study, design and analysis of computer experiments, and general sampling methods:
 - Single and multi-parameter studies (grid, vector, centered)
 - DDACE (grid, sampling, orthogonal arrays, Box-Behnken, CCD)
 - FSUDACE (Quasi-MC, CVT)
 - PSUADE (Morris designs)
 - Monte Carlo, Latin hypercube sampling (with correlation or variance analysis, including variance-based decomposition)
 - Mean-value with importance factors
- DAKOTA outputs basic statistics on responses, including mean, standard deviation, and correlations; tabular output can be analyzed with any third-party statistics package
- Determine main effects and key parameter *interactions*
- In SA, one typically does not make a distribution assumption