

Drawing Parallels between Statistics and Nature

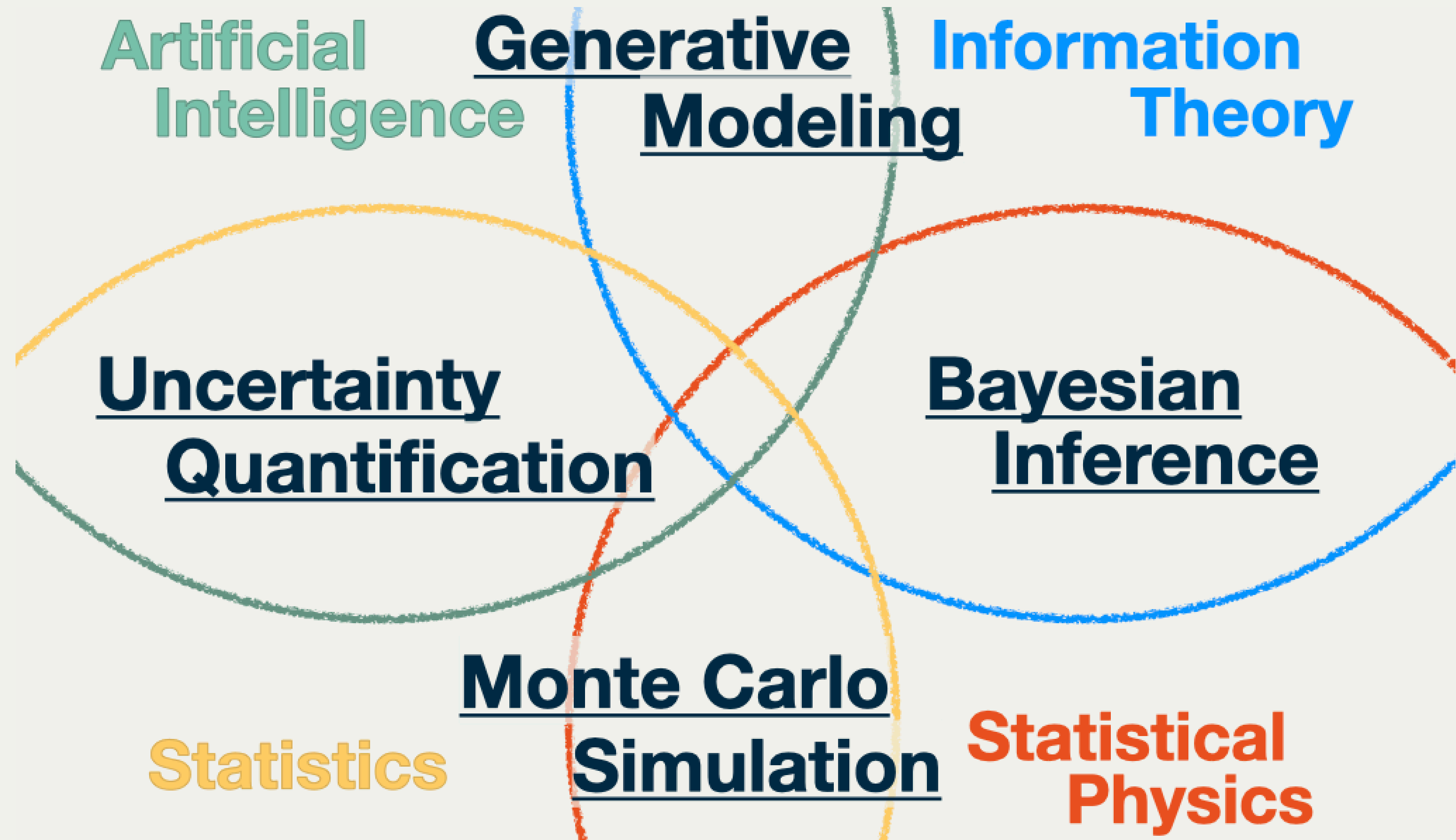
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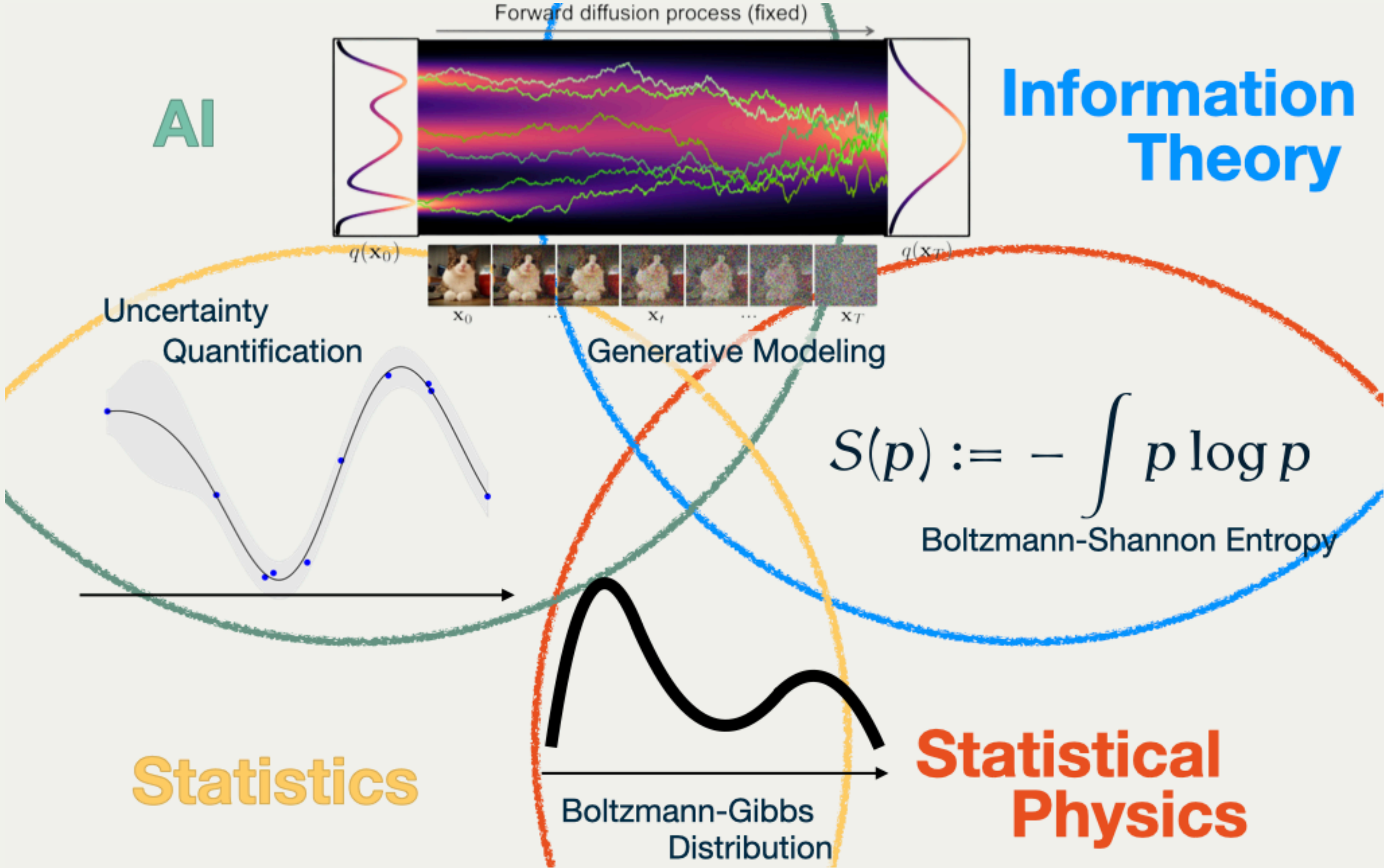
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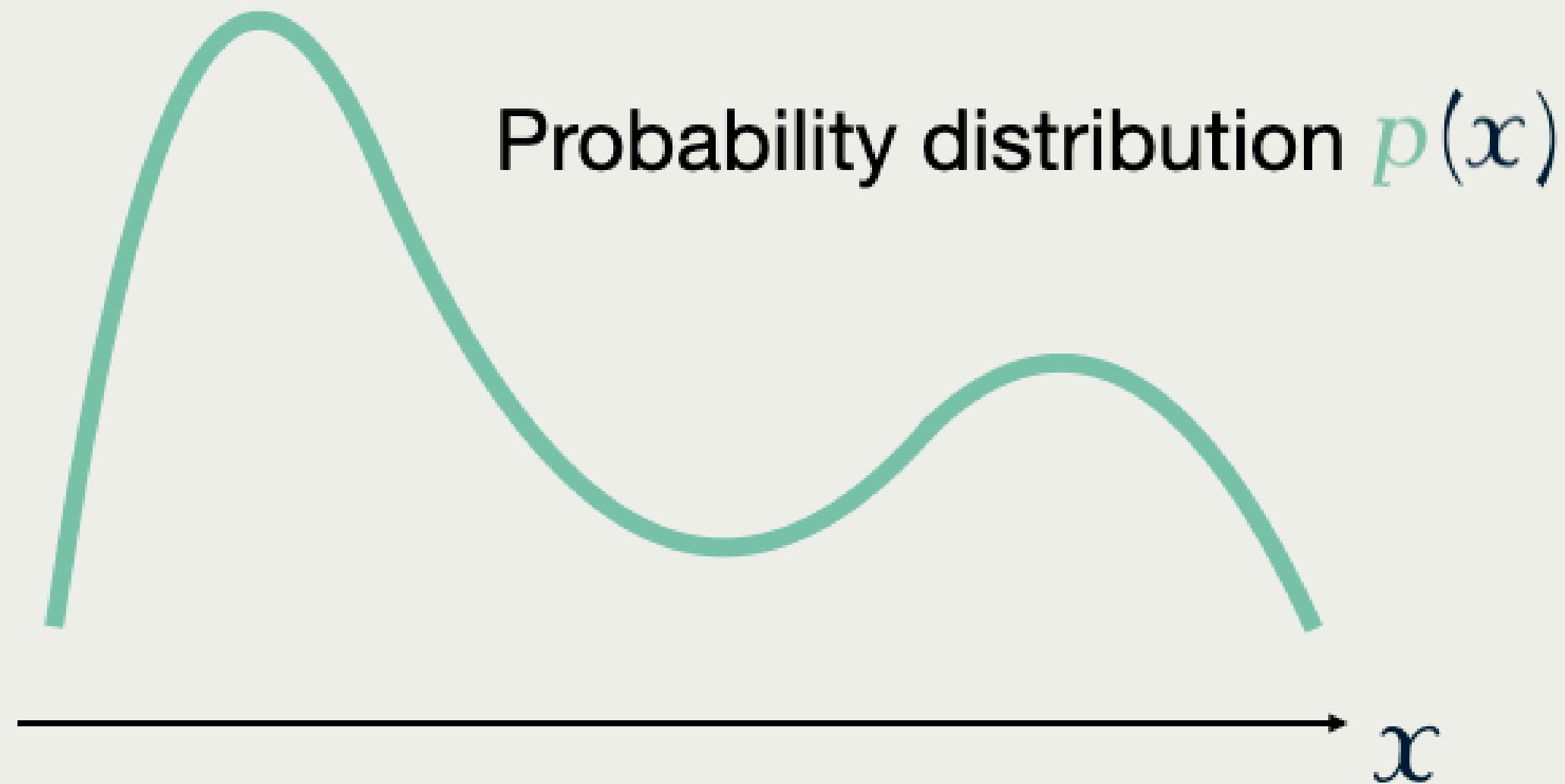
Keywords in My Research



Distribution: Key of New Science



A Computational Reinterpretation



To learn a distribution $p(x)$ is to ...



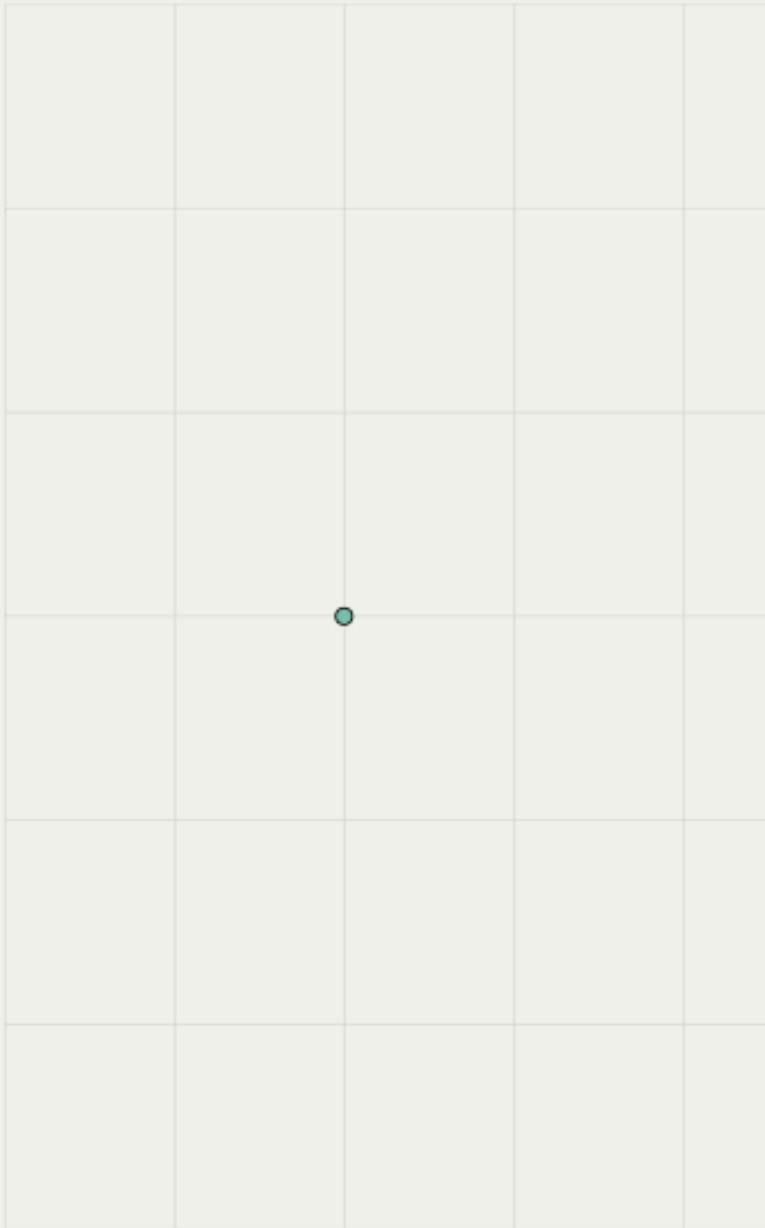
Learn the function value $p(x)$



Learn to simulate from $p(x)$

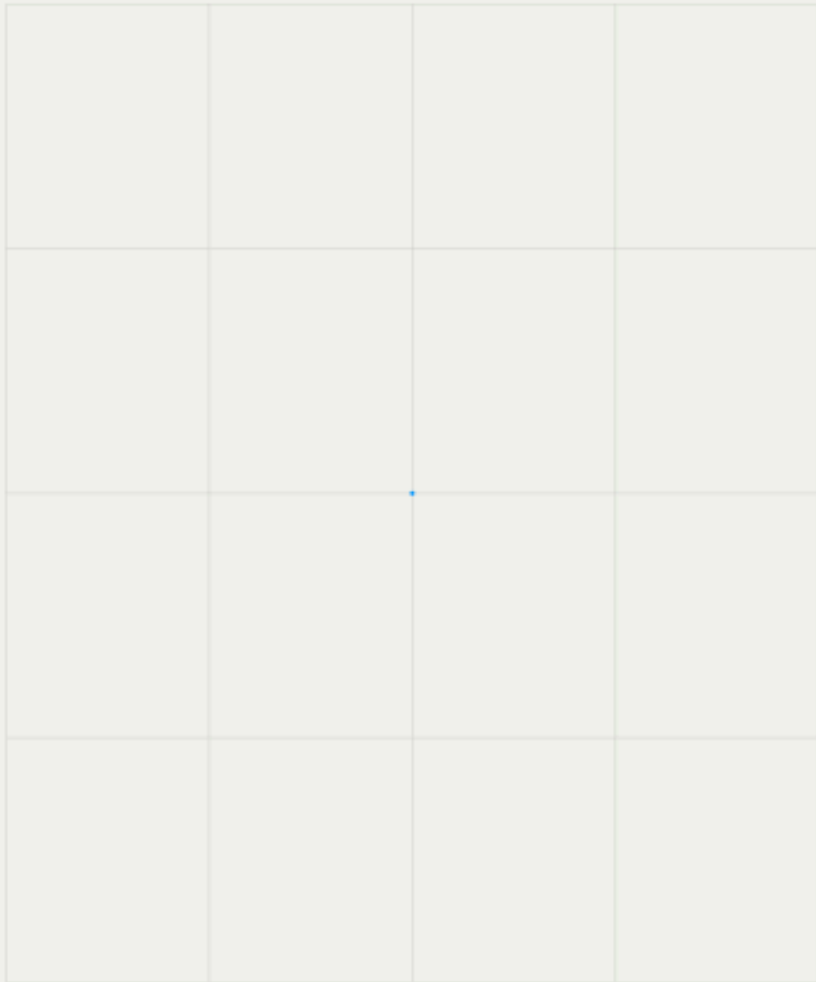
Development in Monte Carlo Methods

Random Walk Metropolis



Markov Chain

Langevin Diffusion



Diffusion

Zig-Zag Sampler

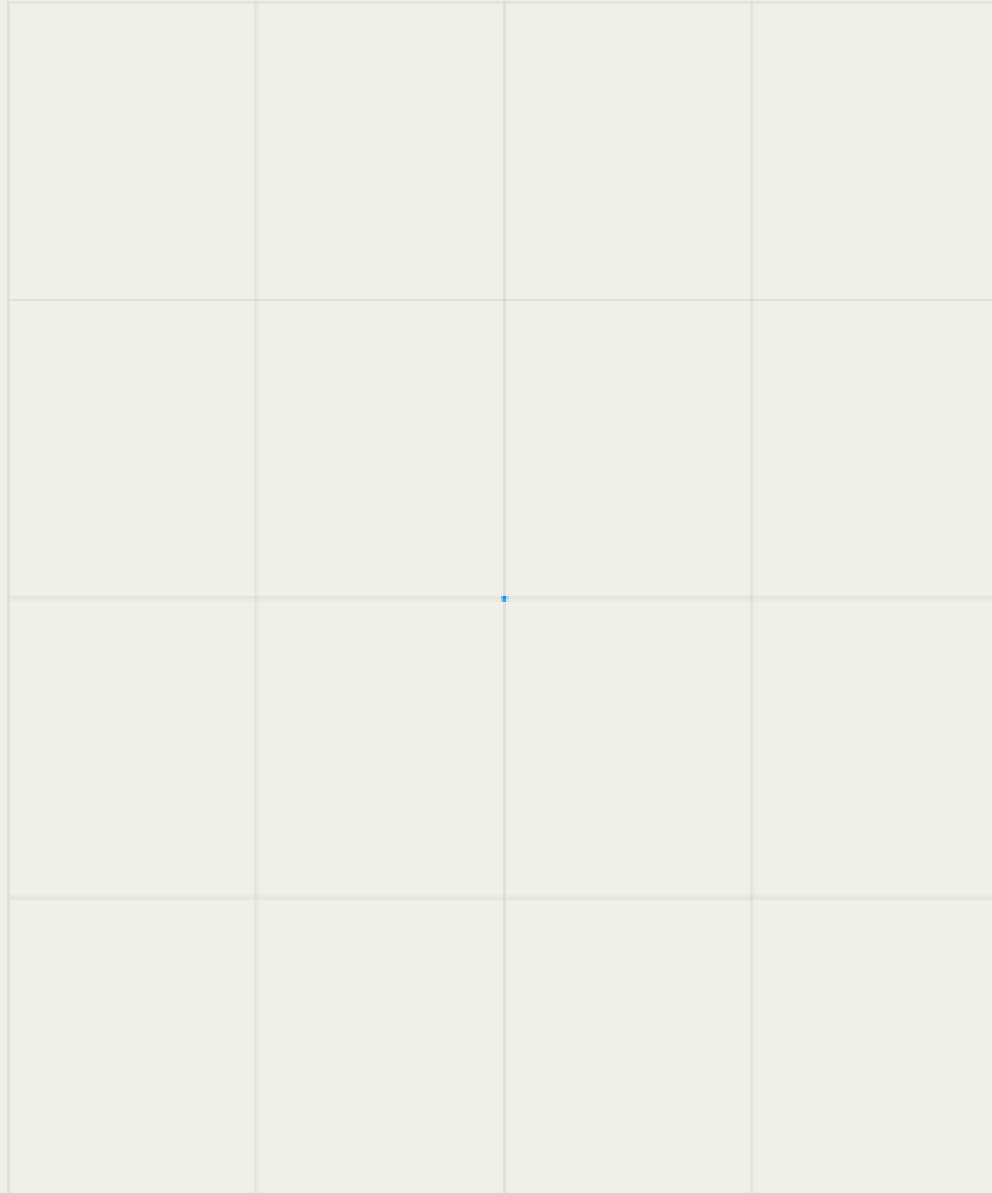


Jump Process



What's Wrong with Diffusion?

Langevin Diffusion



Equilibrium \doteq Reversibility

Langevin Diffusion represents a particle in a medium.

E.g. A sugar particle in a coffee

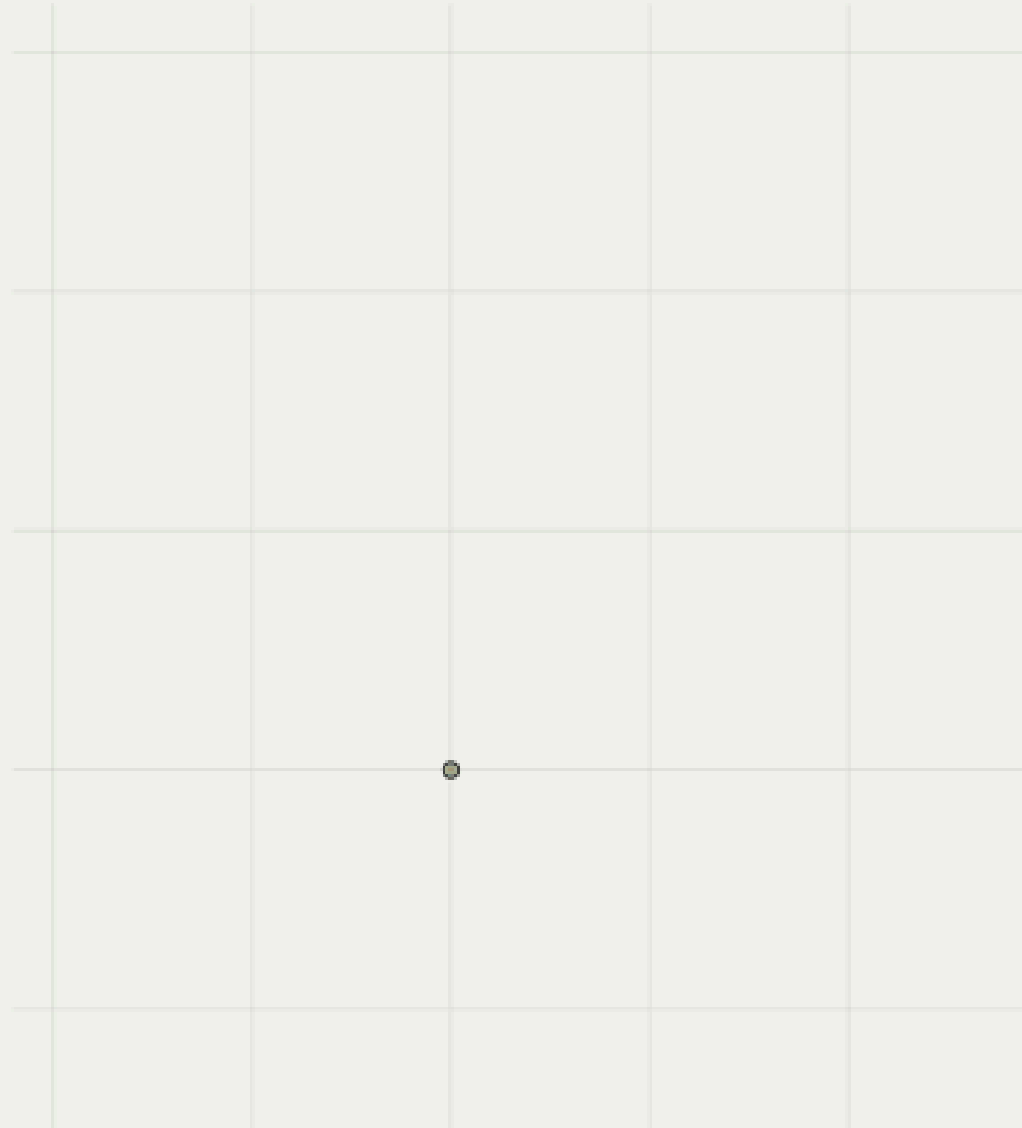
- Nature is not necessarily efficient.

*E.g. Would you wait until the sugar dissolves?
To have a cup of coffee?*

- It's difficult to simulate.

What's New in **PDMP**?

Zig-Zag Sampler



Irreversibility & Acceleration

- **Ballistic motion**, up until a turn
E.g. Stirring coffee with a spoon
- No artificial symmetry (e.g. detailed balance)
→ Fast convergence & reduced computational cost

All with a new strategy of simulation, which seems to be very efficient (ongoing research)

PDMP Package

Piecewise Deterministic Markov Process

Python

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pdmp_jax

This repository contains a JAX implementation of the PDMP sampler describe in the article ["Automated Techniques for Efficient Sampling of Piecewise-Deterministic Markov Processes"](#). The following PDMP samplers are implemented:

- [Zig-Zag sampler](#) (Joris Bierkens, Paul Fearnhead, Gareth Roberts. "The Zig-Zag process and super-efficient sampling for Bayesian analysis of big data." The Annals of Statistics, 47(3) 1288-1320 June 2019.)
- [Bouncy Particle Sampler](#) (Bouchard-Côté, A., Vollmer, S. J., & Doucet, A. (2018). The Bouncy Particle Sampler: A Nonreversible Rejection-Free Markov Chain Monte Carlo Method. Journal of the American Statistical Association, 113(522), 855–867.)
- [Forward Event Chain](#) (Forward Ref with random time for the orthogonal switch) (Michel, M., Durmus, A., & Sénécal, S. (2020). Forward Event-Chain Monte Carlo: Fast Sampling by Randomness

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1 pip install pdmp-jax
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Julia

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PDMPFlux

Documentation	Workflows	Code Coverage	Quality Assurance
docs stable docs dev	CI passing	codecov 32%	tested with Aqua.jl

Overview

`PDMPFlux.jl` provides a fast and efficient implementation of **Piecewise Deterministic Markov Process (PDMP)** samplers, using a grid-based Poisson thinning approach proposed in [Andral and Kamatani \(2024\)](#).

By the means of the automatic differentiation engines, `PDMPFlux.jl` only requires `dim` and `U`, which is the negative log density of the target distribution (e.g., posterior). $U(x) = -\log p(x) + \text{const}$.

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1 ] add PDMPFlux
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