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Algorithm 1 2D Gibbs Sampler with Systematic Scan

Require: Target conditionals $\pi(x|y)$ and $\pi(y|x)$, number of iterations N , initial values $(x^{(0)}, y^{(0)})$

Ensure: Sequence of samples $\{(x^{(t)}, y^{(t)})\}_{t=1}^N$

- 1: Initialize $t \leftarrow 0$
 - 2: Set starting values $(x^{(0)}, y^{(0)})$
 - 3: **for** $t = 1$ to N **do**
 - 4: Sample $x^{(t)} \sim \pi(x|y^{(t-1)})$
 - 5: Sample $y^{(t)} \sim \pi(y|x^{(t)})$
 - 6: Store $(x^{(t)}, y^{(t)})$
 - 7: **end for**
 - 8: **return** $\{(x^{(t)}, y^{(t)})\}_{t=1}^N$
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Transition Kernel of Gibbs Sampler

The transition kernel for a 2D systematic Gibbs sampler from state (x, y) to state (x', y') is:

$$K((x, y), (x', y')) = \pi(x'|y) \cdot \pi(y'|x')$$

This represents the composition of two steps:

1. Sample $x' \sim \pi(x|y)$ (transition from (x, y) to (x', y))
2. Sample $y' \sim \pi(y|x')$ (transition from (x', y) to (x', y'))

The kernel is the product of these conditional probabilities since the updates are performed sequentially within each iteration.

To show that π is invariant under K , we need to verify:

$$\pi(x', y') = \int \int \pi(x, y) K((x, y), (x', y')) dx dy \quad (1)$$

Substituting the kernel:

$$\int \int \pi(x, y) K((x, y), (x', y')) dx dy = \int \int \pi(x, y) \pi(x'|y) \pi(y'|x') dx dy \quad (2)$$

Using the fact that $\pi(x, y) = \pi(y)\pi(x|y)$:

$$= \int \int \pi(y) \pi(x|y) \pi(x'|y) \pi(y'|x') dx dy \quad (3)$$

$$= \int \pi(y) \pi(x'|y) \pi(y'|x') \left[\int \pi(x|y) dx \right] dy \quad (4)$$

$$= \int \pi(y) \pi(x'|y) \pi(y'|x') dy \quad (5)$$

Since $\pi(y)\pi(x'|y) = \pi(x', y) = \pi(x')\pi(y|x')$:

$$= \int \pi(x') \pi(y|x') \pi(y'|x') dy \quad (6)$$