

Variational Inference

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why approximate

Why approximate inference?



Analytical inference

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Why compute
Approx.?



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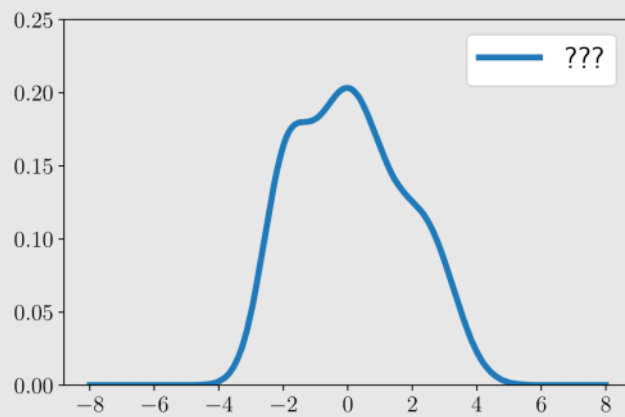
*Vanilla
Auto-encoder*

Example: $p(x|z) = \mathcal{N}(x|\underbrace{\mu(z)}, \underbrace{\sigma^2(z)})$


Neural networks



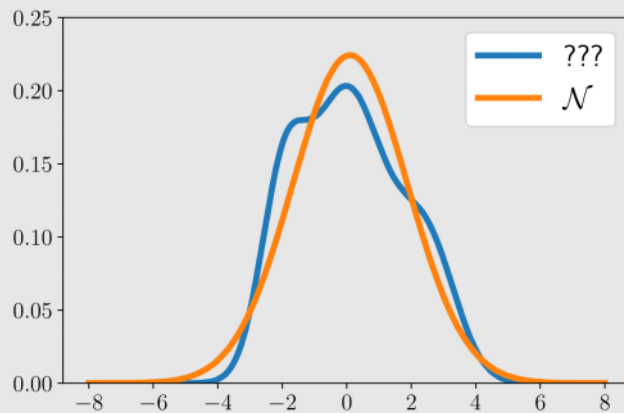
Do we need exact posterior?



Not belong to known distributions.



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→ Approximate with Gaussian.
 Task
 Find the best approx.



Variational inference

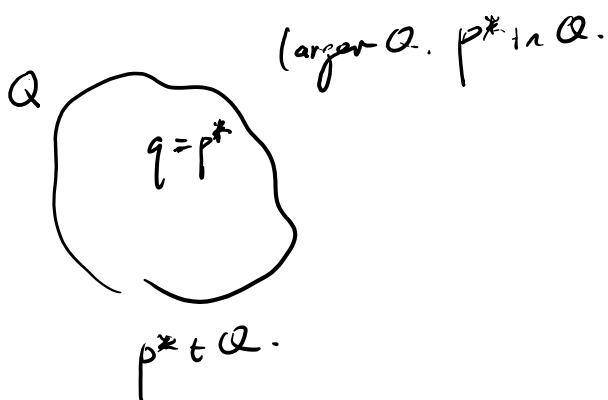
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Example: $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & & 0 \\ & \sigma_2^2 & \\ 0 & & \ddots \\ & & & \sigma_d^2 \end{pmatrix})$

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$$KL[q(z) \parallel p^*(z)] \rightarrow \min_{q \in Q}$$

Choice of variational family.



(larger Q . $p^* \in Q$.)

Smaller set of distribution $Q \Rightarrow$ Larger approx of error

Unnormalized distribution see problem need to compute p^* .

$$p^*(z) = p(z|x) = \frac{p(x|z)p(z)}{p(x)} = \frac{\hat{p}(z)}{Z} \quad \boxed{\text{Optimization}}$$

$$KL[q(z) \parallel \frac{\hat{p}(z)}{Z}] = \int q(z) \log \frac{p(z)}{q(z)/Z} dz$$

$$= \int q(z) \log \frac{q(z)}{\hat{p}(z)} + \int q(z) \log Z dz$$

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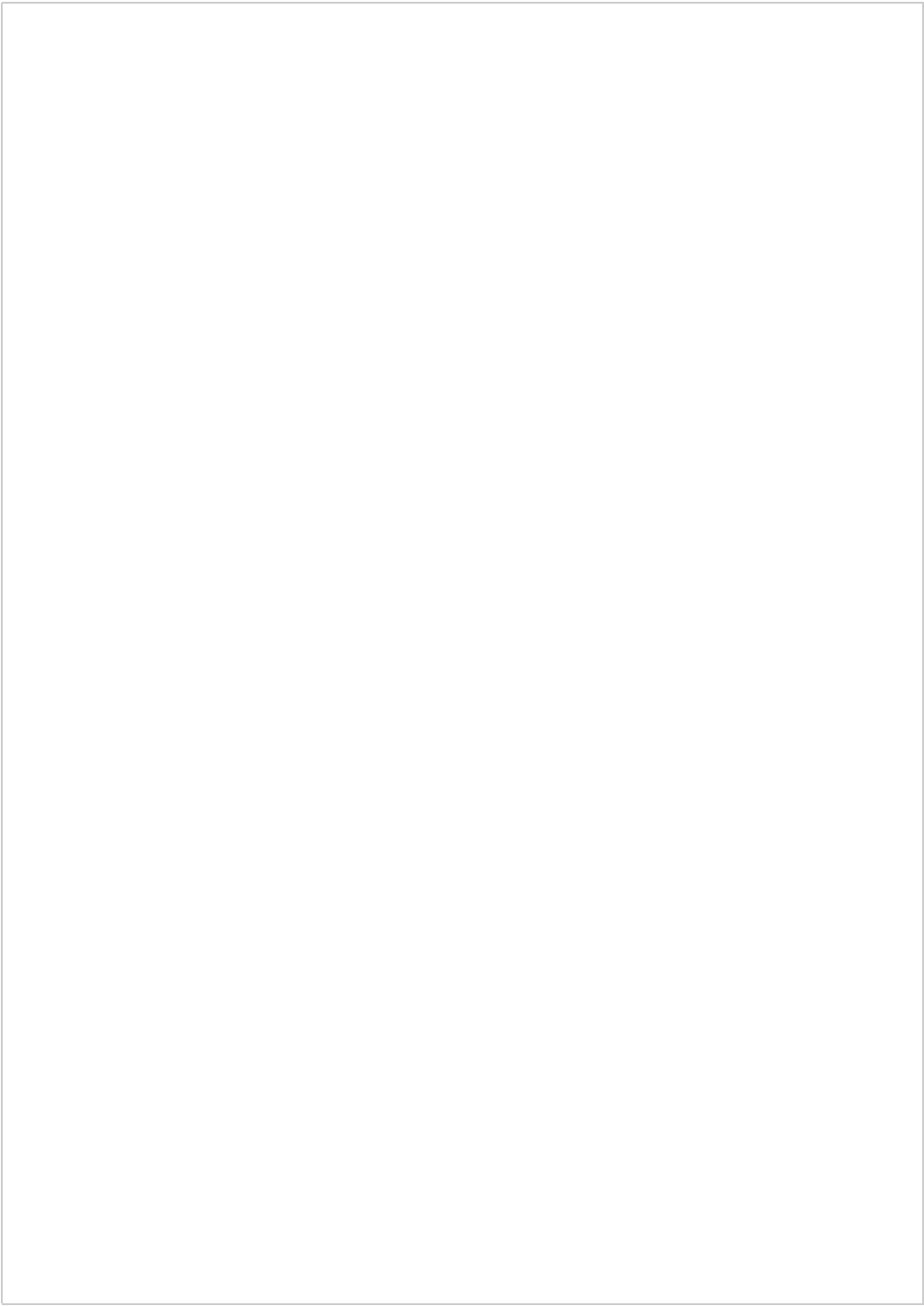
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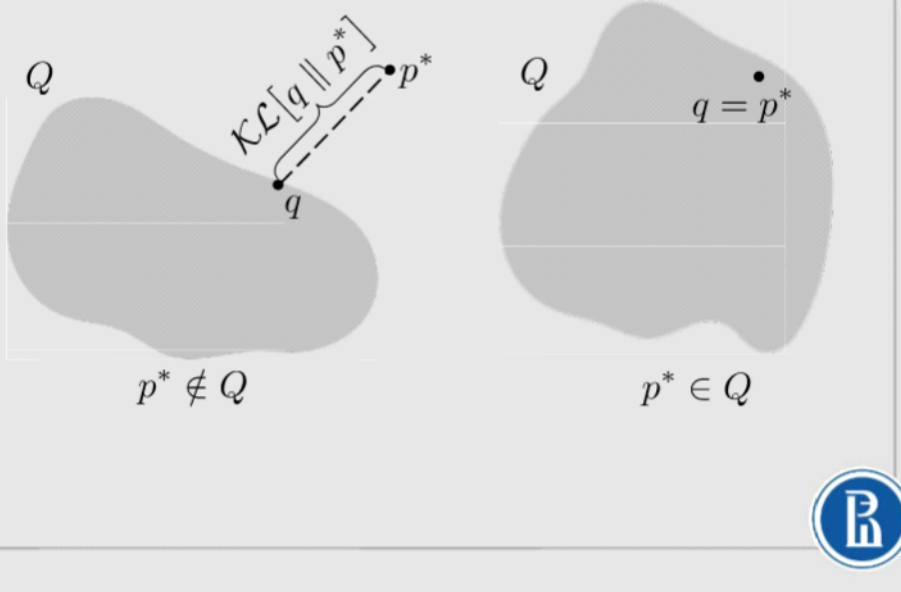
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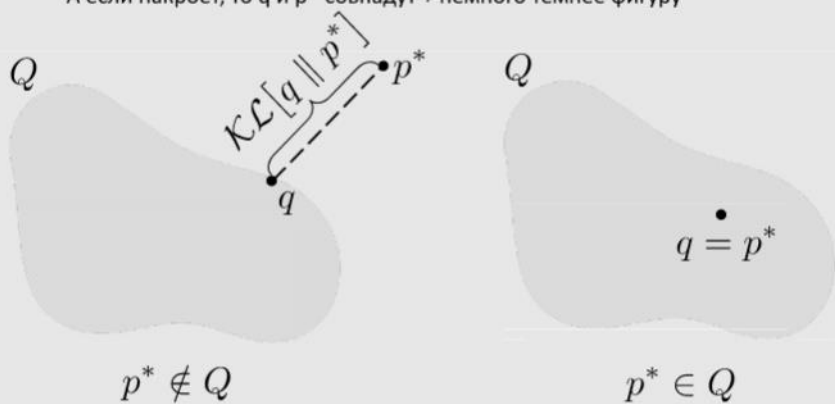


Choice of variational family



Choice of variational family (ТЕХНИЧЕСКИЙ СЛАЙД)

В стиле если Q не накрывает p^* , то будет расстояние какое-то.
А если накрывает, то q и p^* совпадут + немного темнее фигуру



LARGER $Q \Rightarrow$ HARDER



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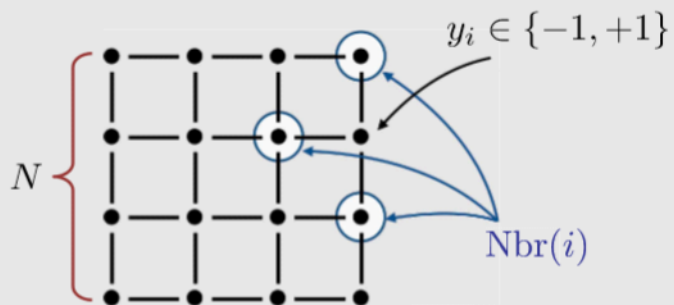


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Example: Ising model



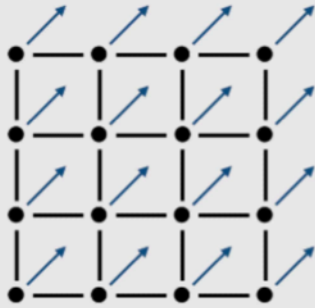
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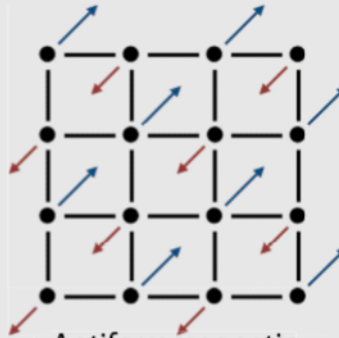
$$p(y) \propto \exp\left(\underbrace{\frac{1}{2}J \sum_i \sum_{j \in Nbr(i)} y_i y_j + \sum_i b_i y_i}_{\phi(y)}\right)$$



Ising model



Ferromagnetic
 $J > 0$



Antiferromagnetic
 $J < 0$

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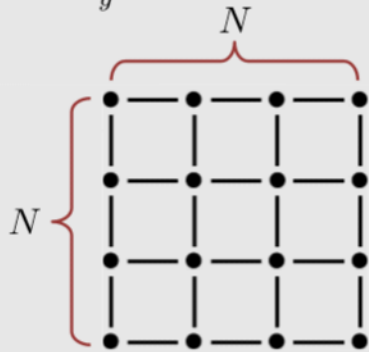
$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\phi(y)}$



Normalization constant

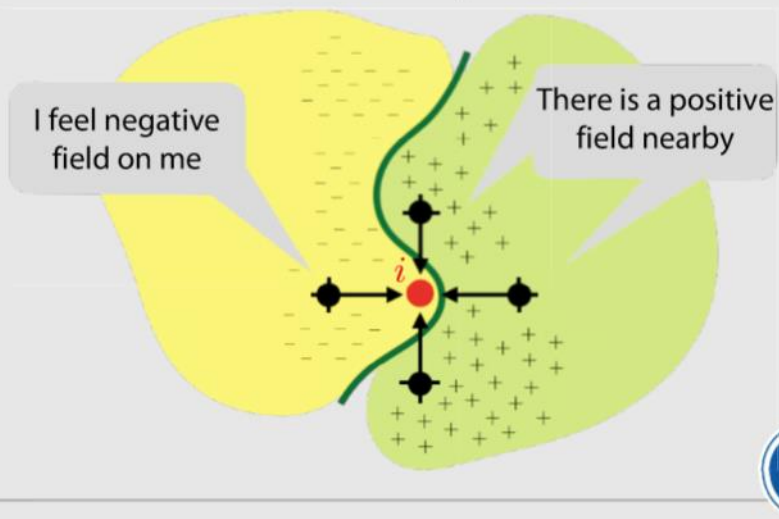
$$p(y) = \frac{1}{Z} \phi(y)$$

$$Z = \sum_y \phi(y) \leftarrow 2^{N^2} \text{ terms}$$



Mean field

$$p(y) \approx q(y) = \prod_i q_i(y_i)$$



Технический слайд (5 минут на доску)

$$\begin{aligned}\log q_i(y_i) &= \mathbb{E}_{y \setminus y_i} p(y) + \text{const} \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{y \setminus y_i} J \sum_{j \in \text{Nbr}(i)} y_i y_j + b_i y_i + \text{const} \\ &= J \sum_{j \in \text{Nbr}(i)} y_i \mathbb{E} y_j + b_i y_i + \text{const} \\ &= J \sum_{j \in \text{Nbr}(i)} y_i \mu_j + b_i y_i + \text{const} \\ &= y_i \left(J \sum_{j \in \text{Nbr}(i)} \mu_j + b_i \right) + \text{const} \\ &= M y_i + \text{const}\end{aligned}$$



Технический слайд

$$q_i(y_i) = \text{const} \cdot e^{My_i}$$

$$q_i(+1) + q_i(-1) = \text{const}(e^M + e^{-M}) = 1$$

$$q_i(+1) = \frac{e^M}{e^M + e^{-M}} = \sigma(2M)$$

$$q_i(-1) = \frac{e^{-M}}{e^M + e^{-M}} = 1 - \sigma(2M)$$

$$M = (J \sum_{j \in \text{Nbr}(i)} \mu_j + b_i)$$



Технический слайд

$$g_k(y_k) \propto \exp(J y_k \sum_{j \in N_k(k)} \mu_j) = \exp(y_k M), \quad M = J \sum_{j \in N_k(k)} \mu_j$$

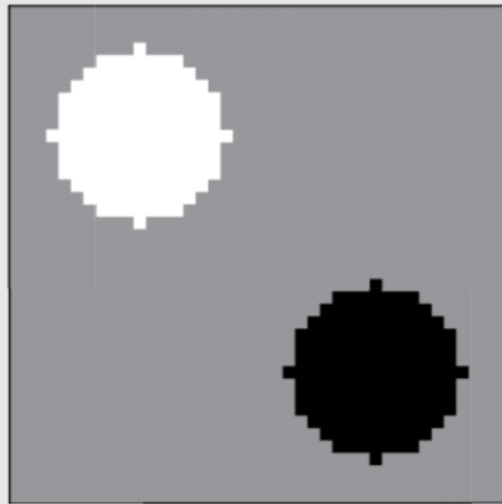
$$g_k(+1) = \frac{e^M}{e^M + e^{-M}} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-2M}} = \sigma(2M)$$

$$\mu_k = g_k(+1) - g_k(-1) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-2M}} - \frac{e^{-2M}}{1 + e^{-2M}} = \frac{1 - e^{-2M}}{1 + e^{-2M}} = \frac{e^M - e^{-M}}{e^M + e^{-M}} = \tanh(M)$$



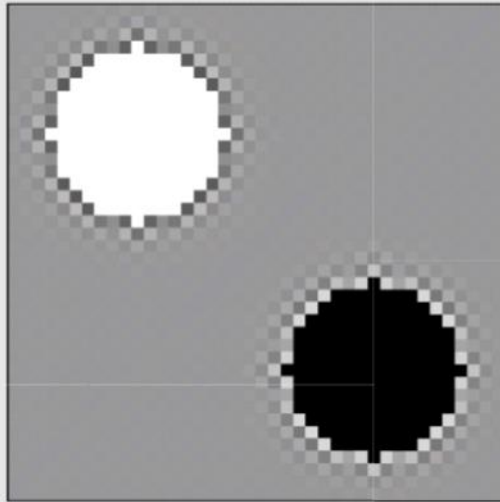
Example

$$J = 0$$



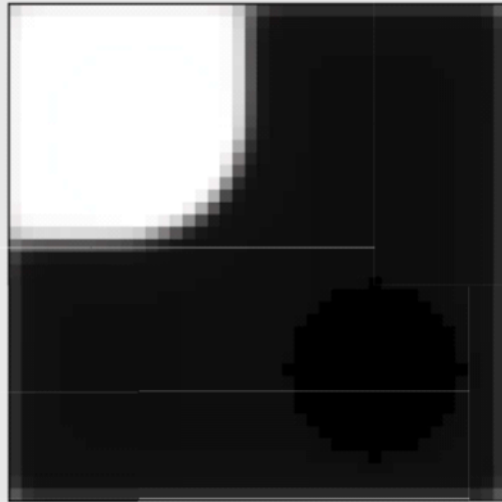
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$$J = -0.05$$

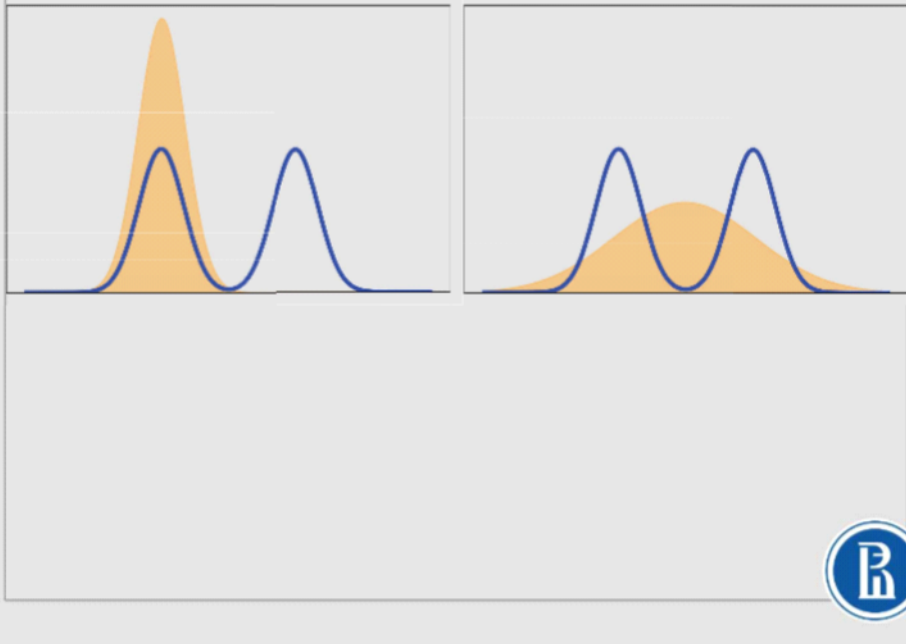


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$$J = 0.1$$



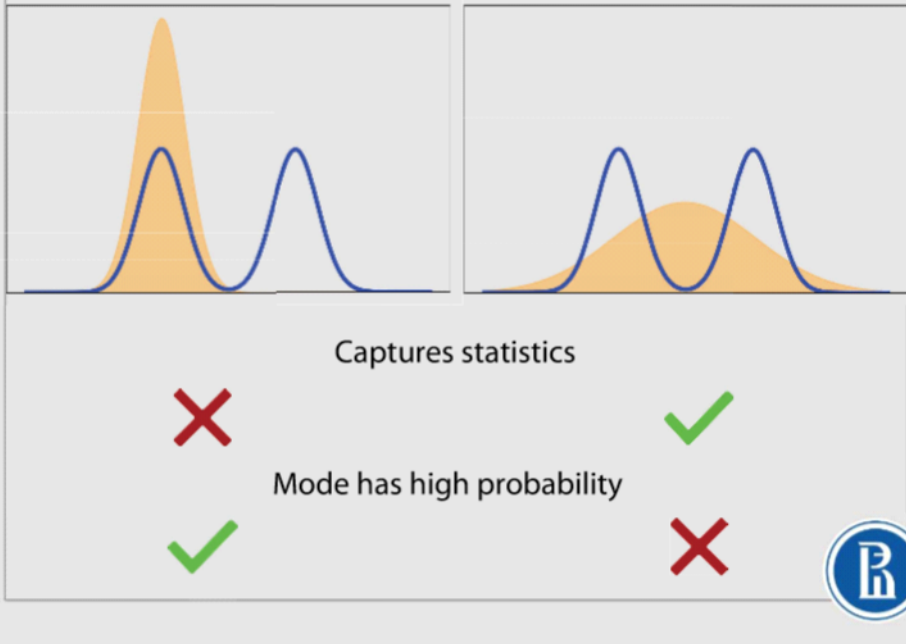
Optimization solutions



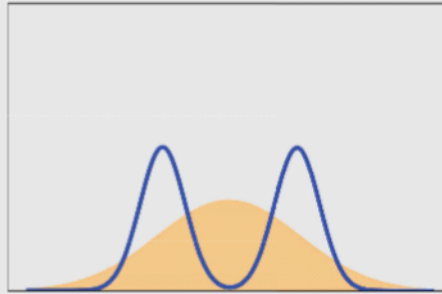
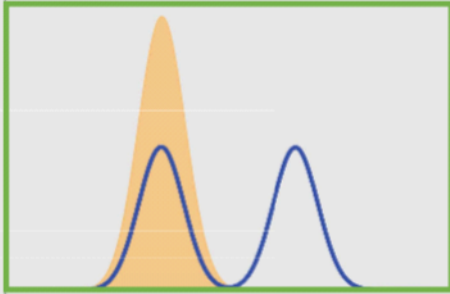
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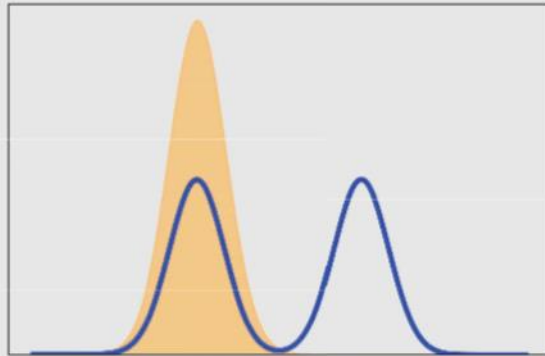
Captures statistics



Mode has high probability



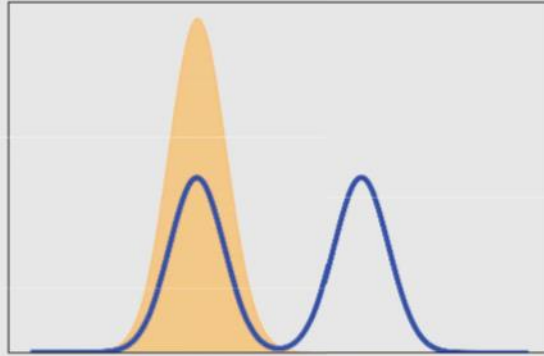
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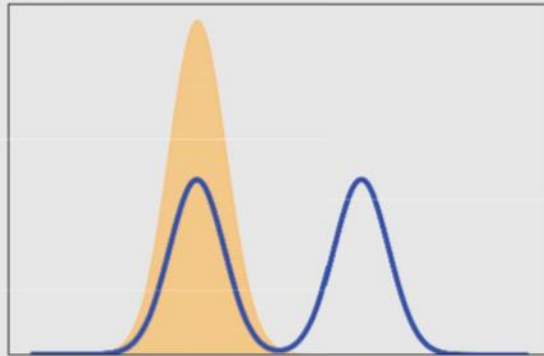


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$$\mathcal{KL}(q \parallel p^*) = \int q(z) \log \frac{q(z)}{p^*(z)} dz = +\infty$$

$0 \neq$
 $0 =$

