

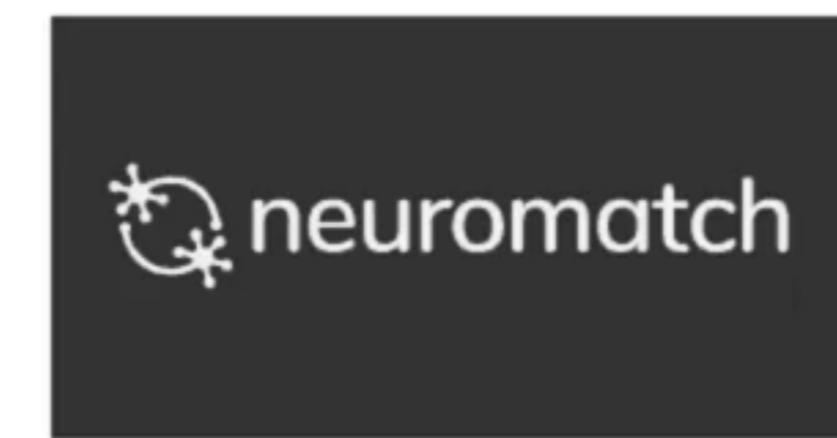


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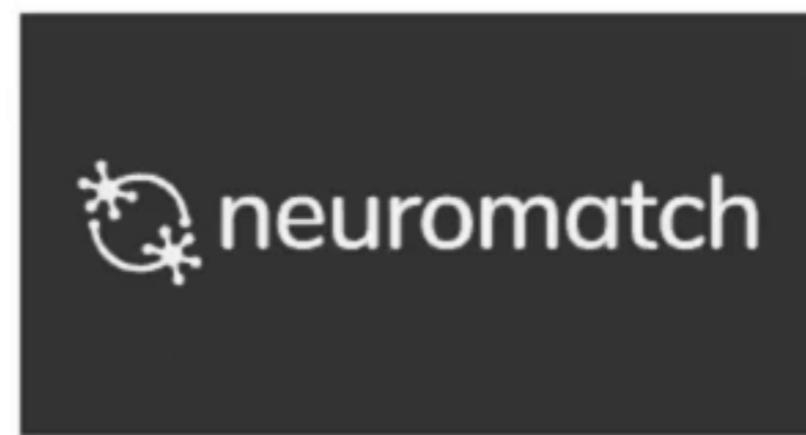


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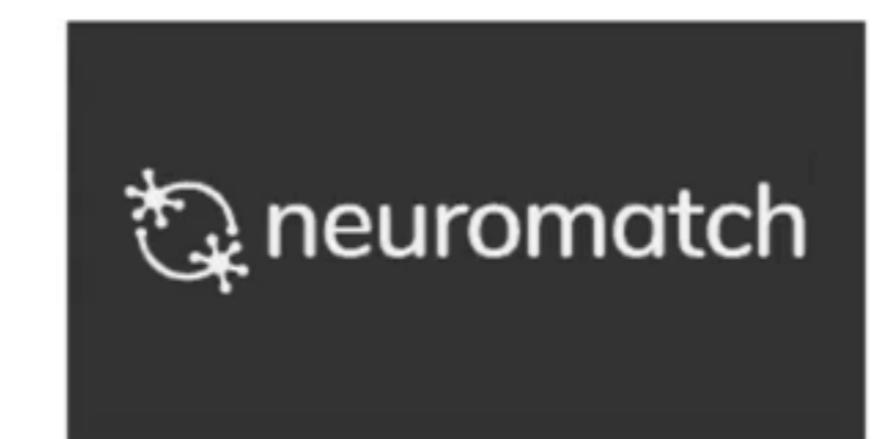




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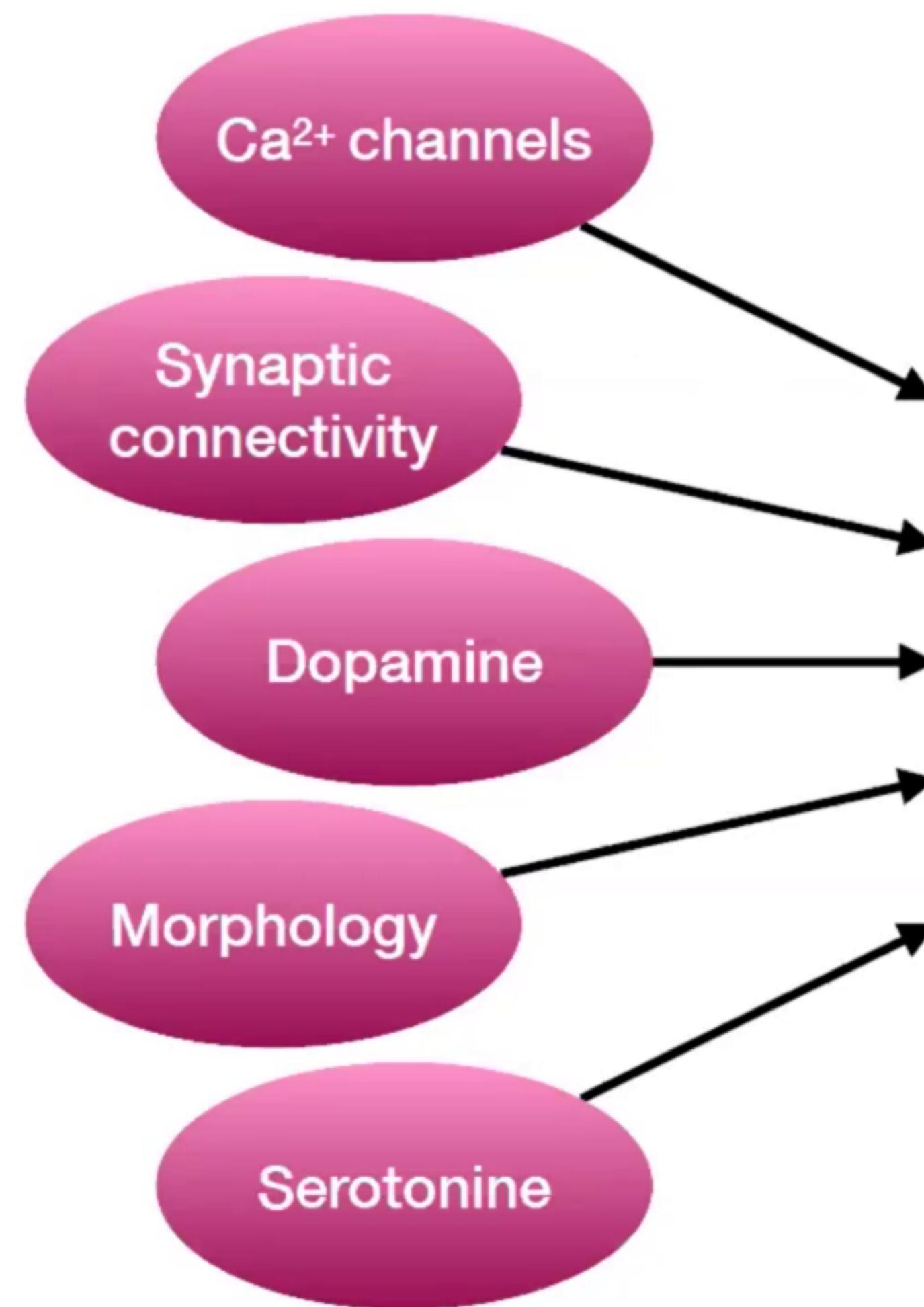
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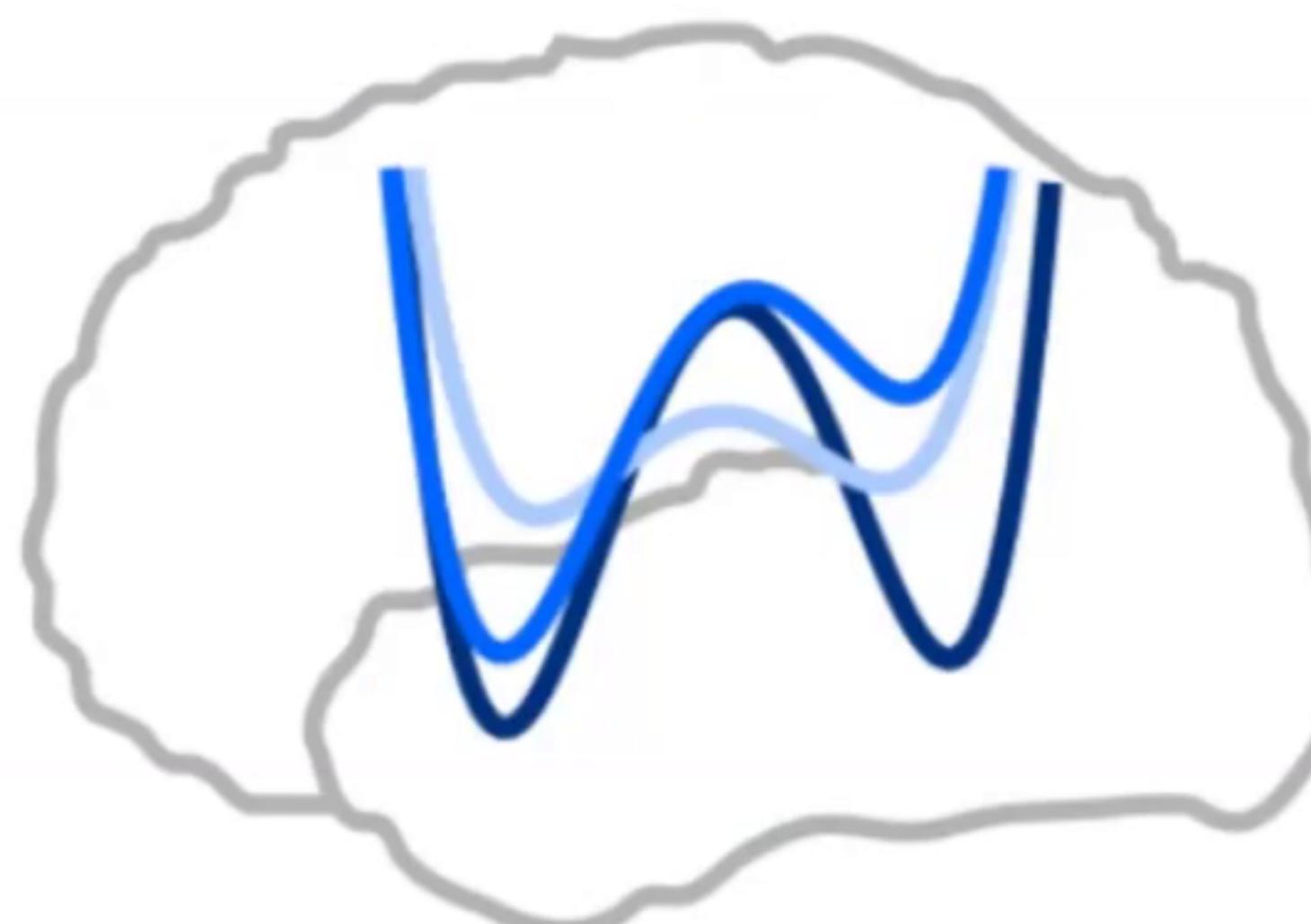


# Motivation

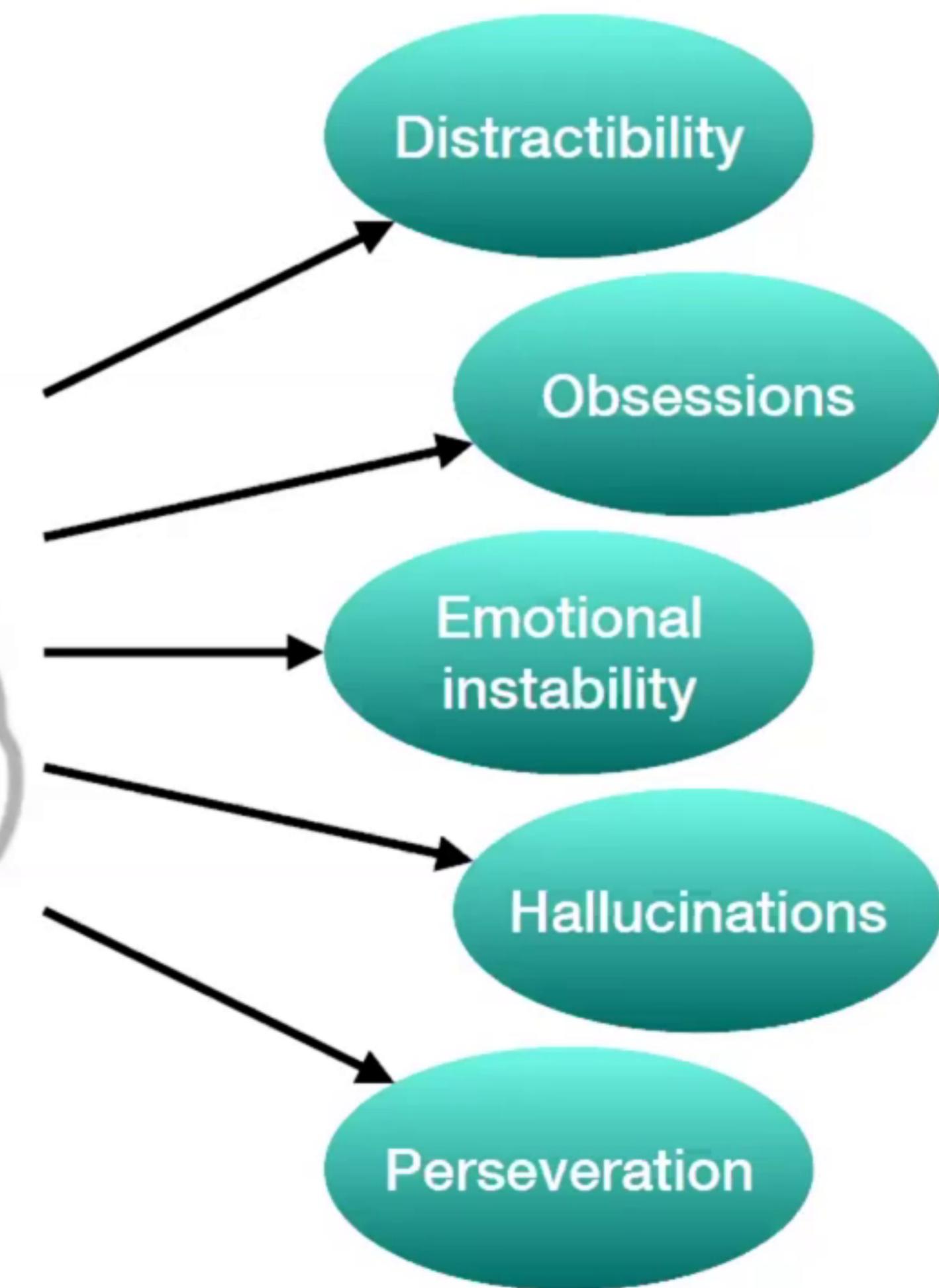
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and structural **causes**



Similar changes  
in **network dynamics**  
in diverse brain areas



Diverse **changes in** cognitive  
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# Inferring Generative Models from Data

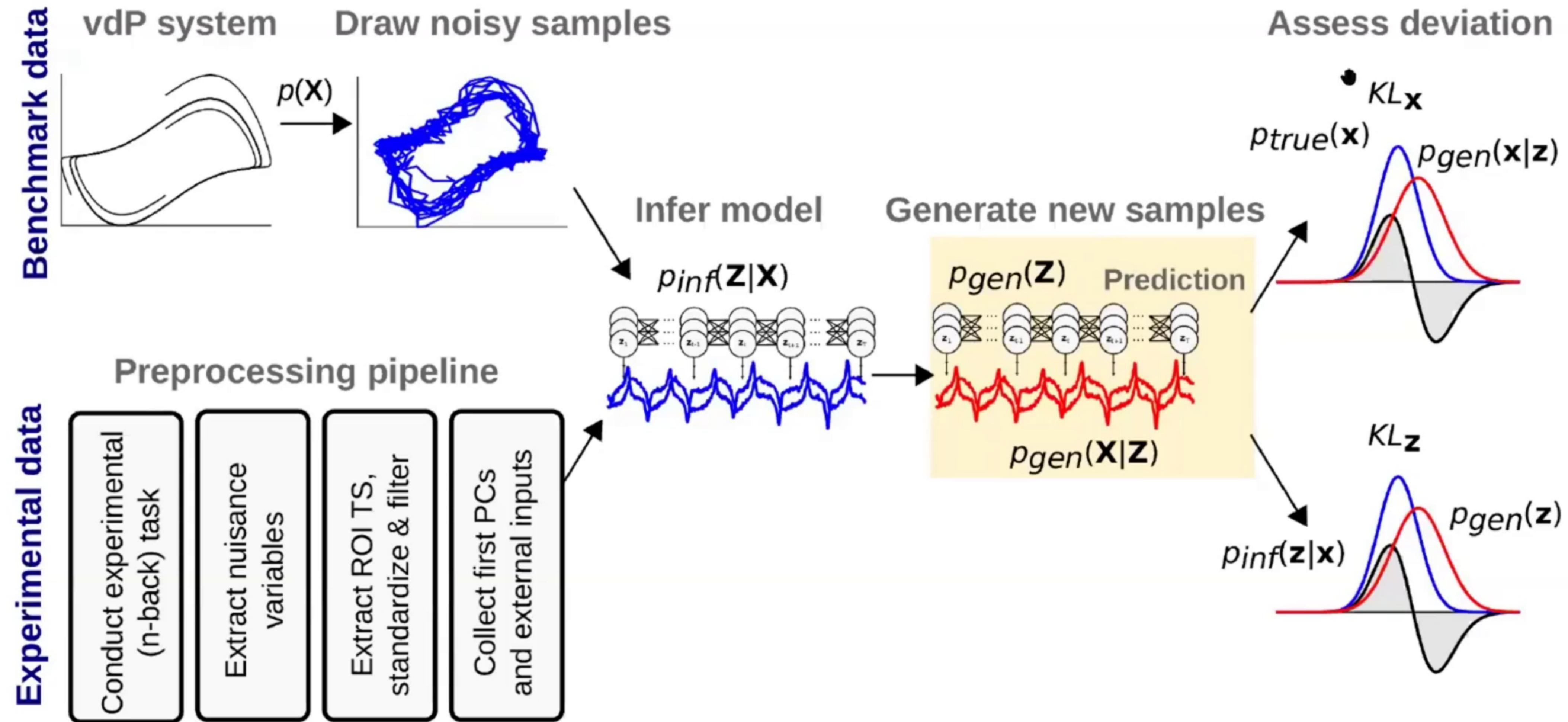
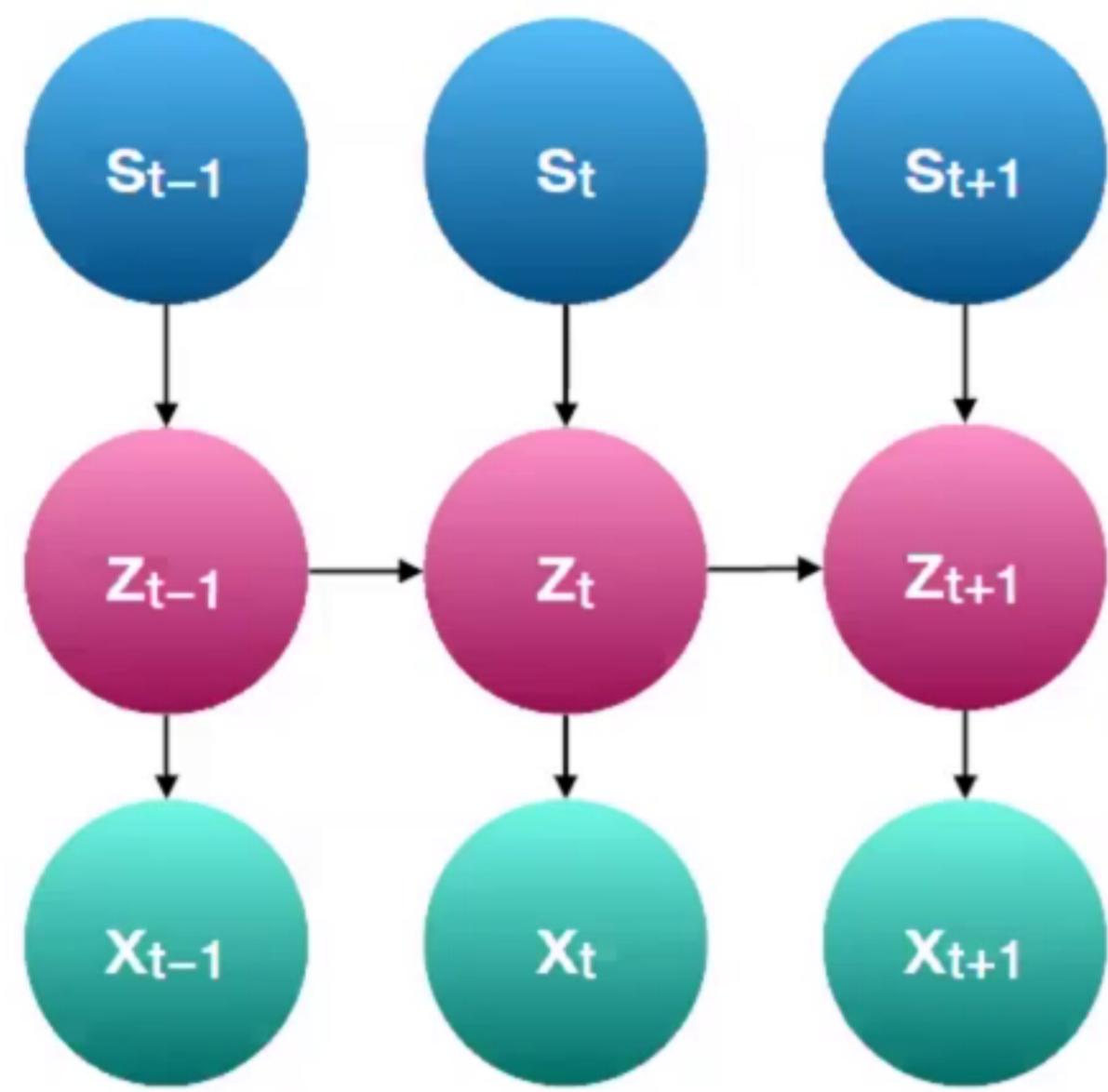


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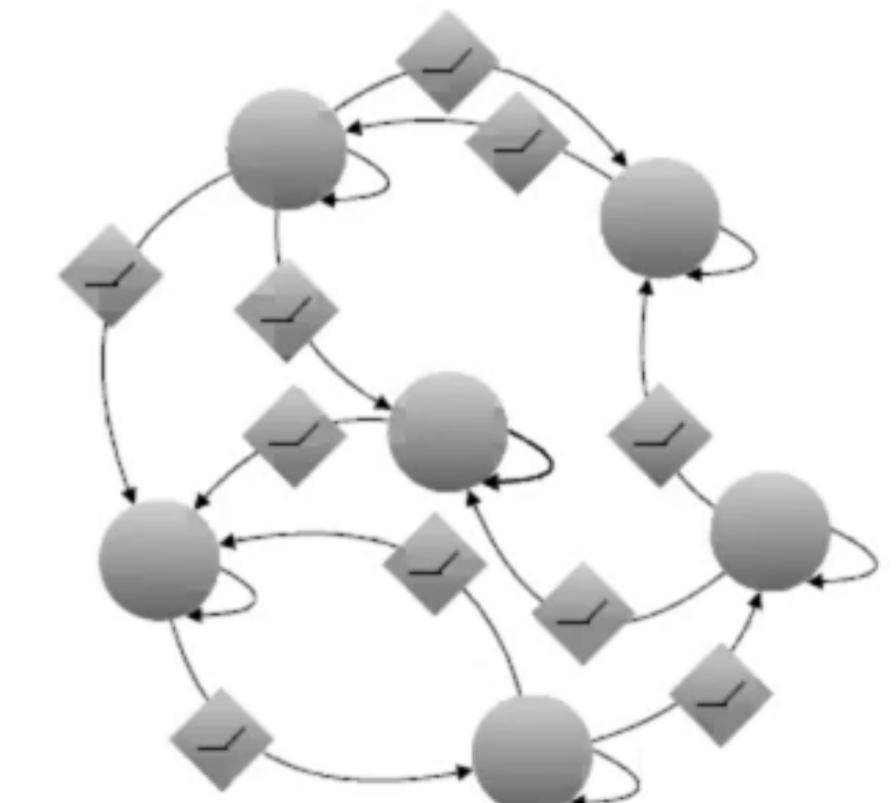
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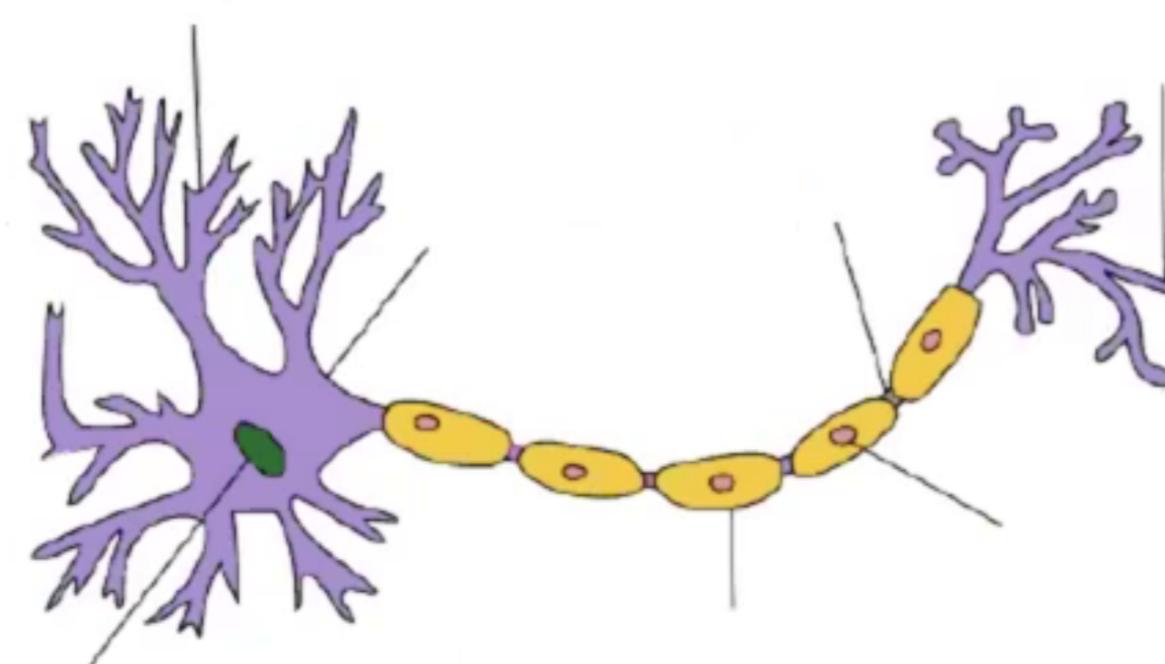
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# Increasing Computational Capacity

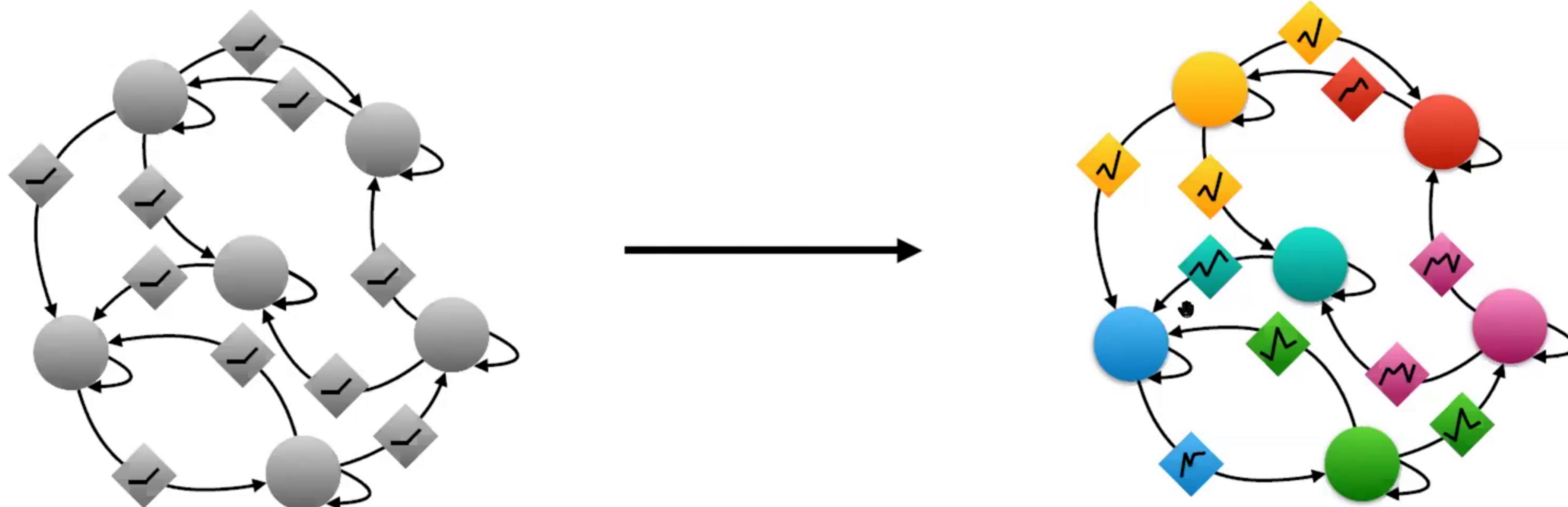
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- Can we reduce the dimensionality of latent space?
- Retain piece-wise linear form
- Neurophysiological analogy: dendritic computation or neuronal diversity



# Basis Expansion

New activation function in latent model

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# Variational Inference

$$x = \{x_t | t = 1 \dots T\}$$

$$z = \{z_t | t = 1 \dots T\}$$

## Variational Lower Bound

$$p(x) \geq \mathcal{L}(\theta, \phi, x) = \mathbb{E}_{q_\phi(z|x)}[\log p_\theta(x, z)] + \mathbb{E}_{q_\phi(z|x)}[\log q_\phi(z|x)]$$

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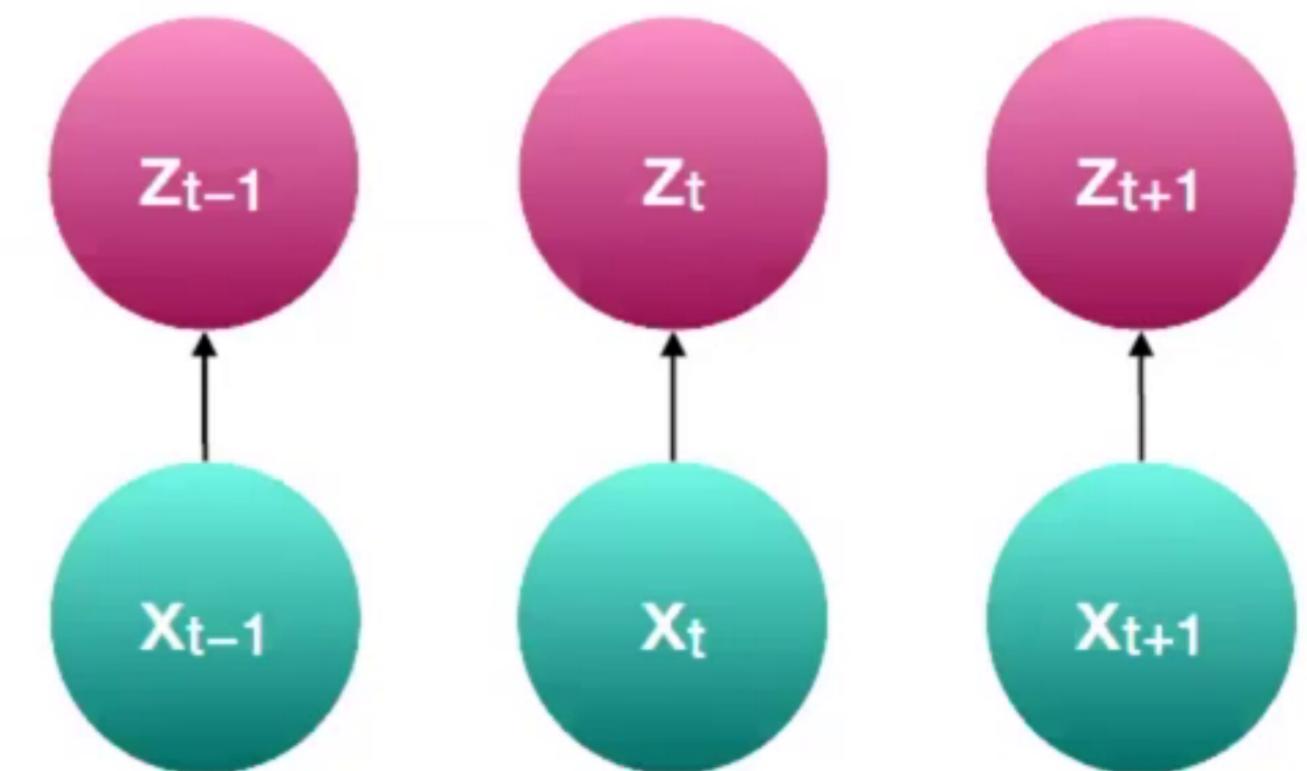
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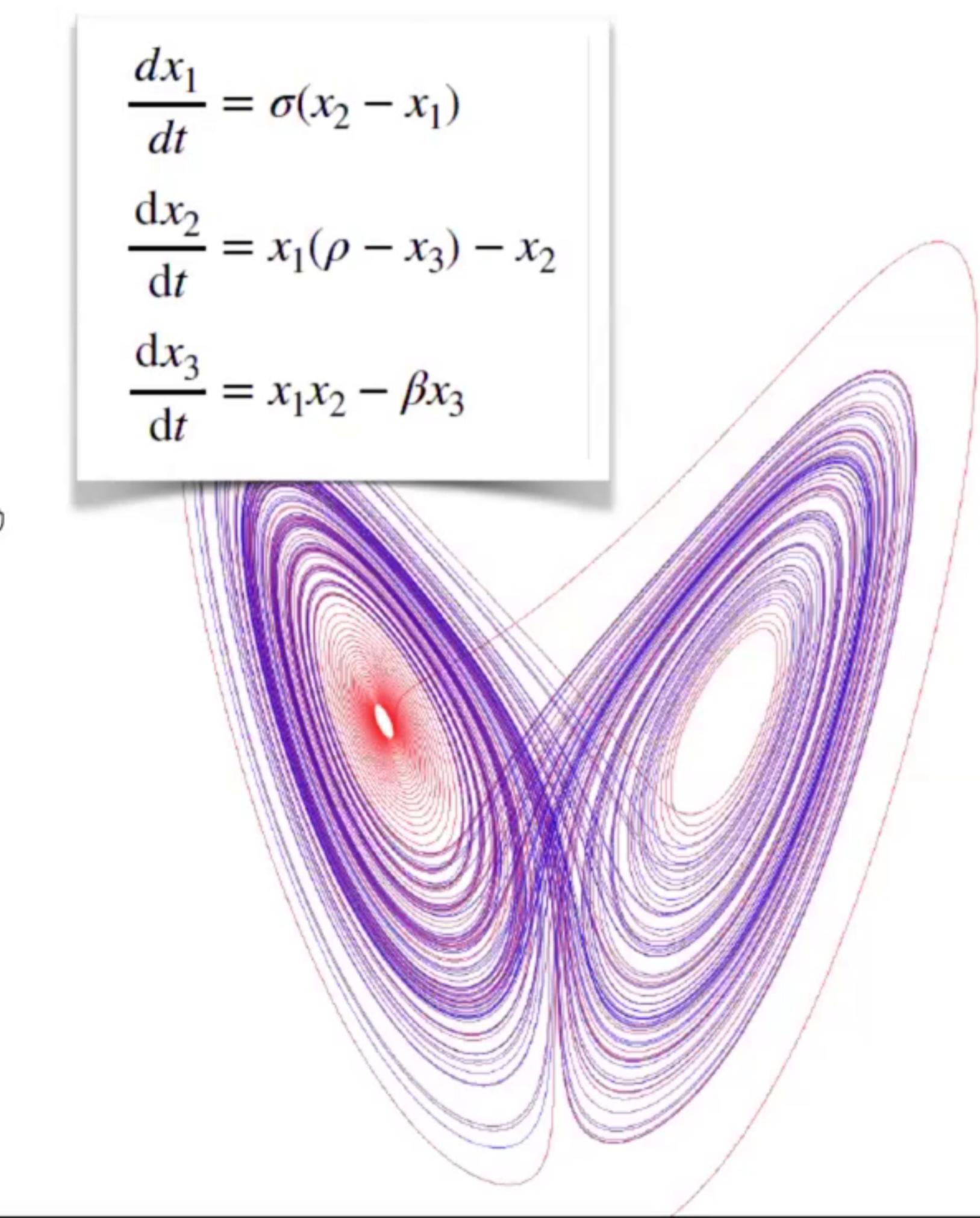
$$q_\phi(z|x) = \prod_{t=1}^T q_\phi(z_t|x_t) = \prod_{t=1}^T \mathcal{N}(\mu_\phi(x_t), \sigma_\phi(x_t)^2)$$

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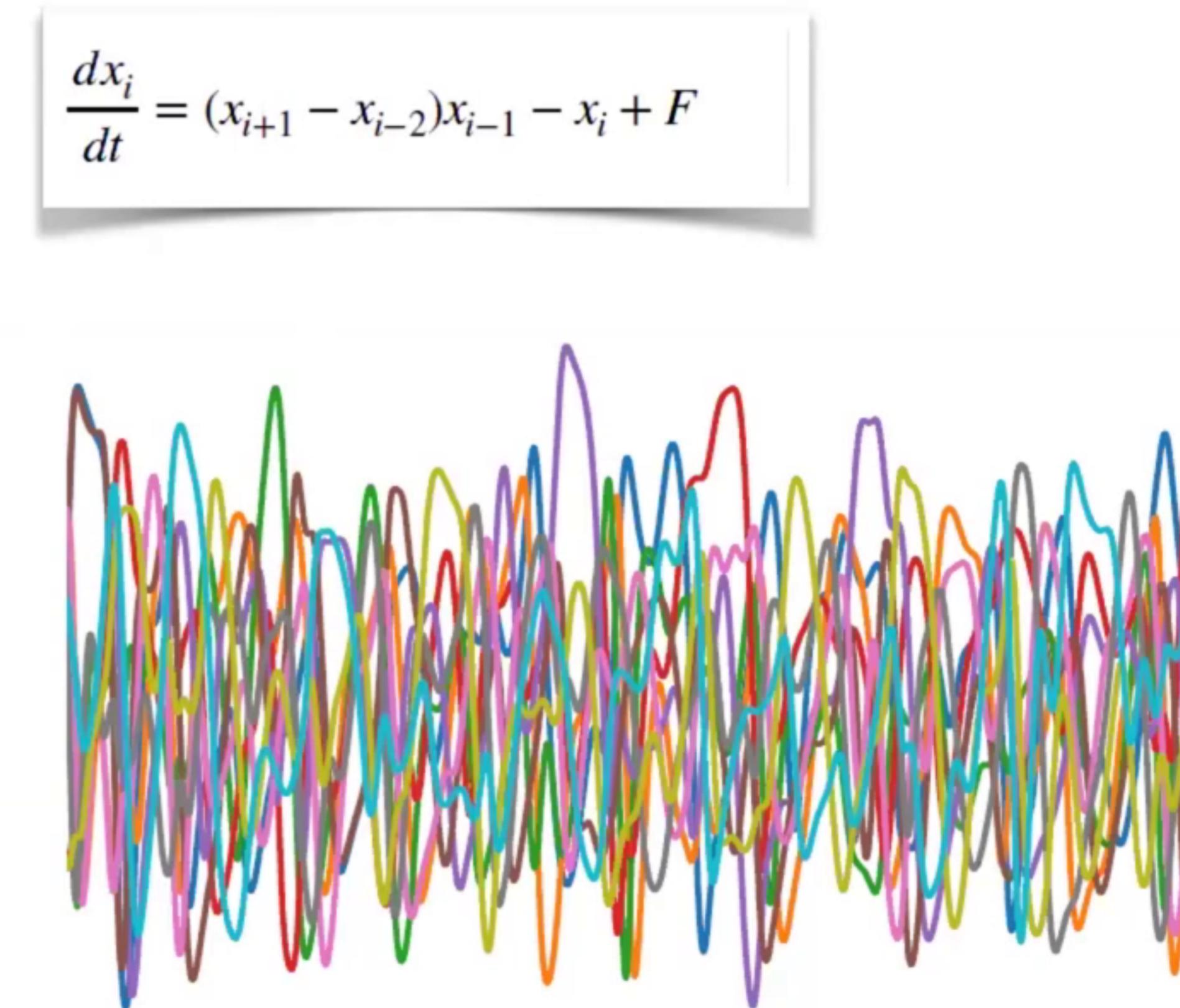


# Benchmark Dynamical Systems

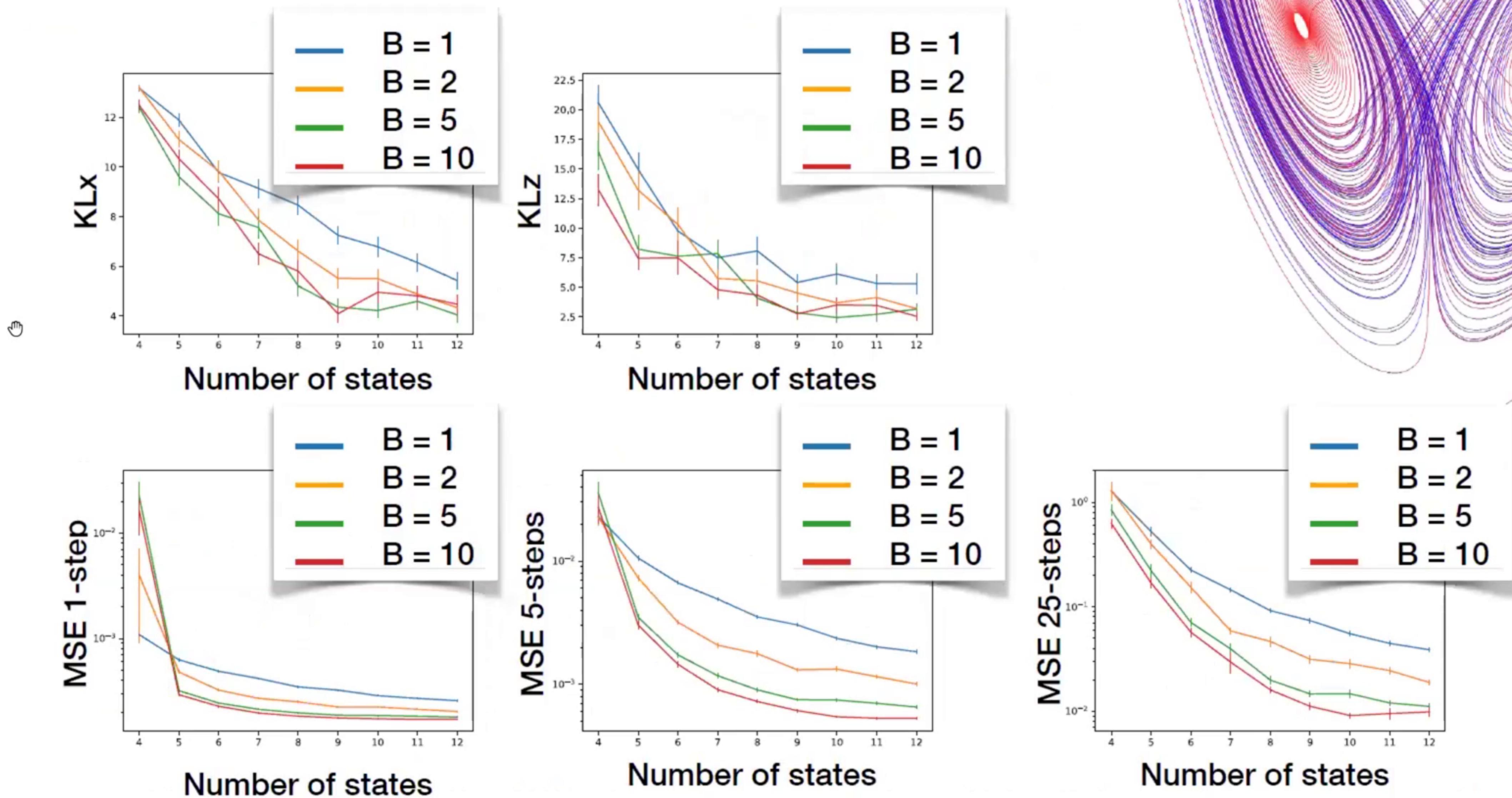
Lorenz Attractor



Lorenz-96 System



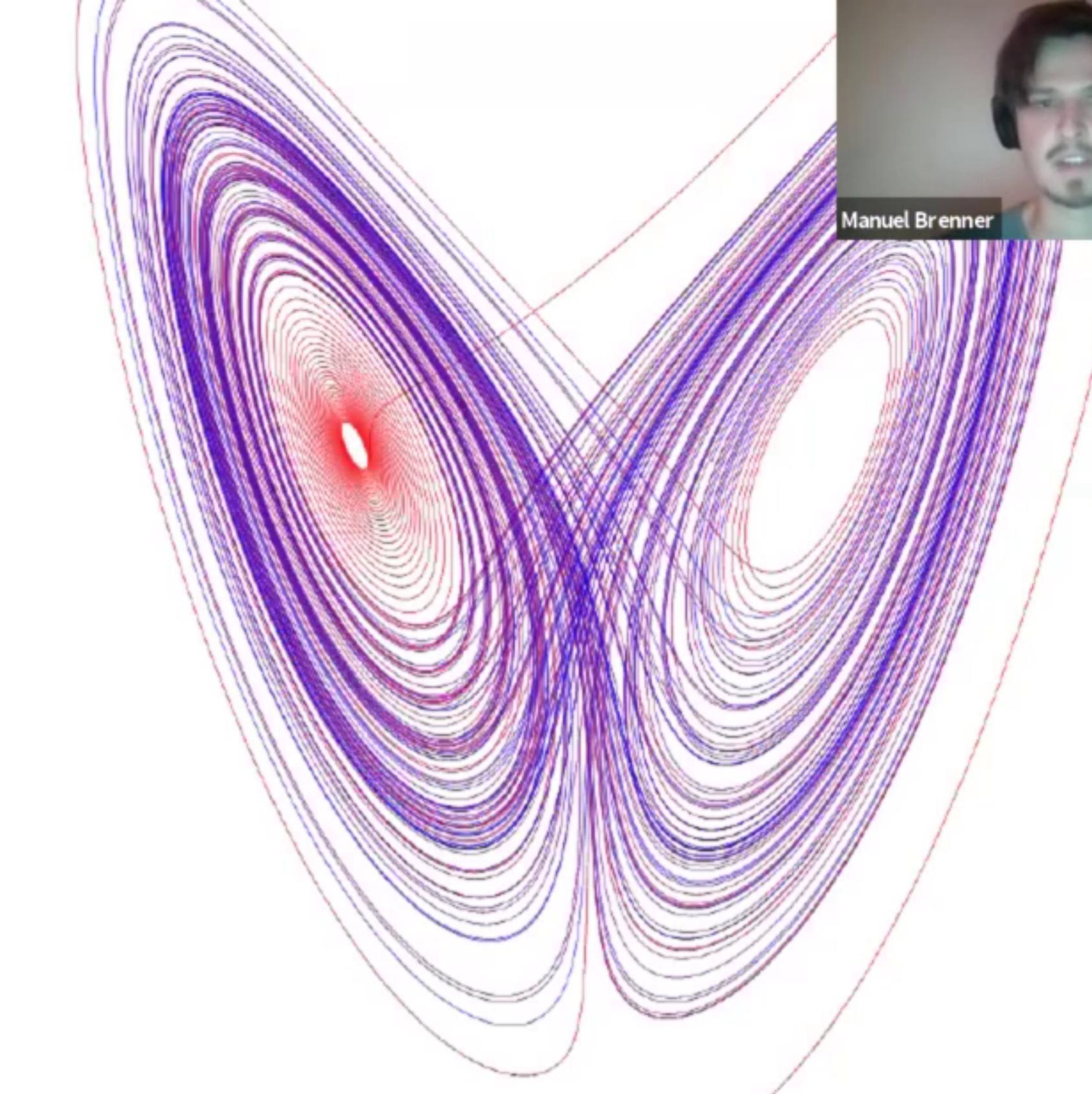
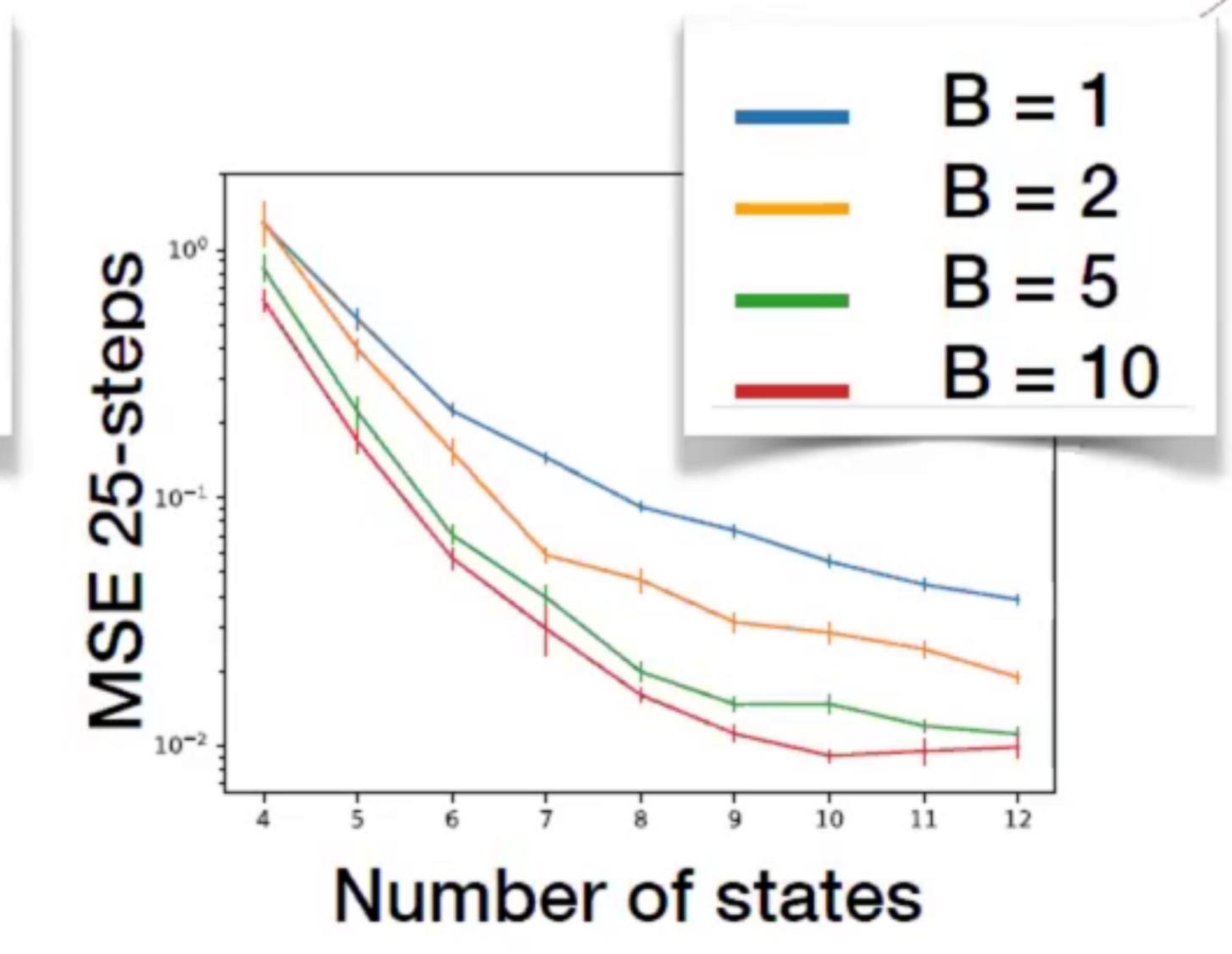
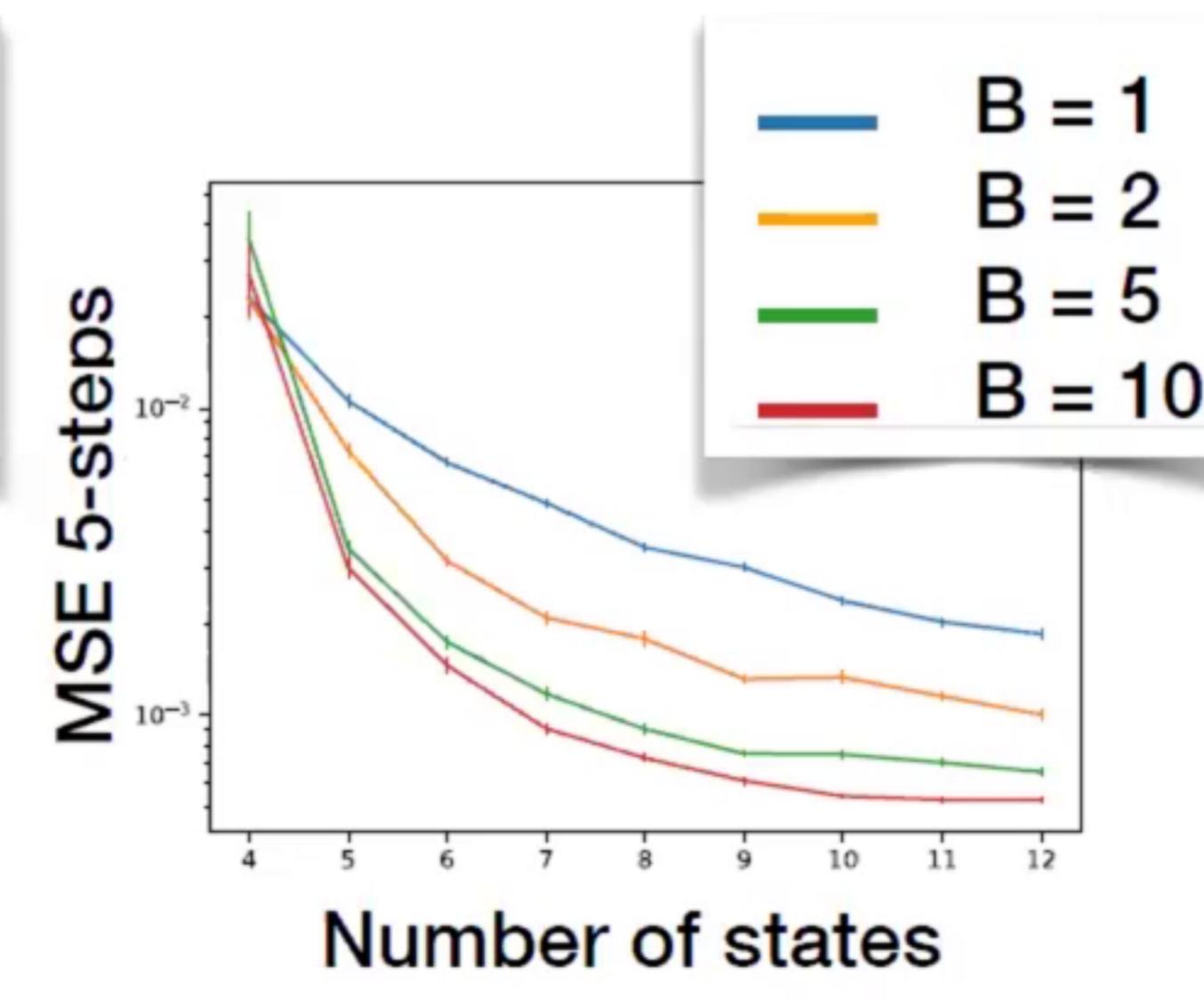
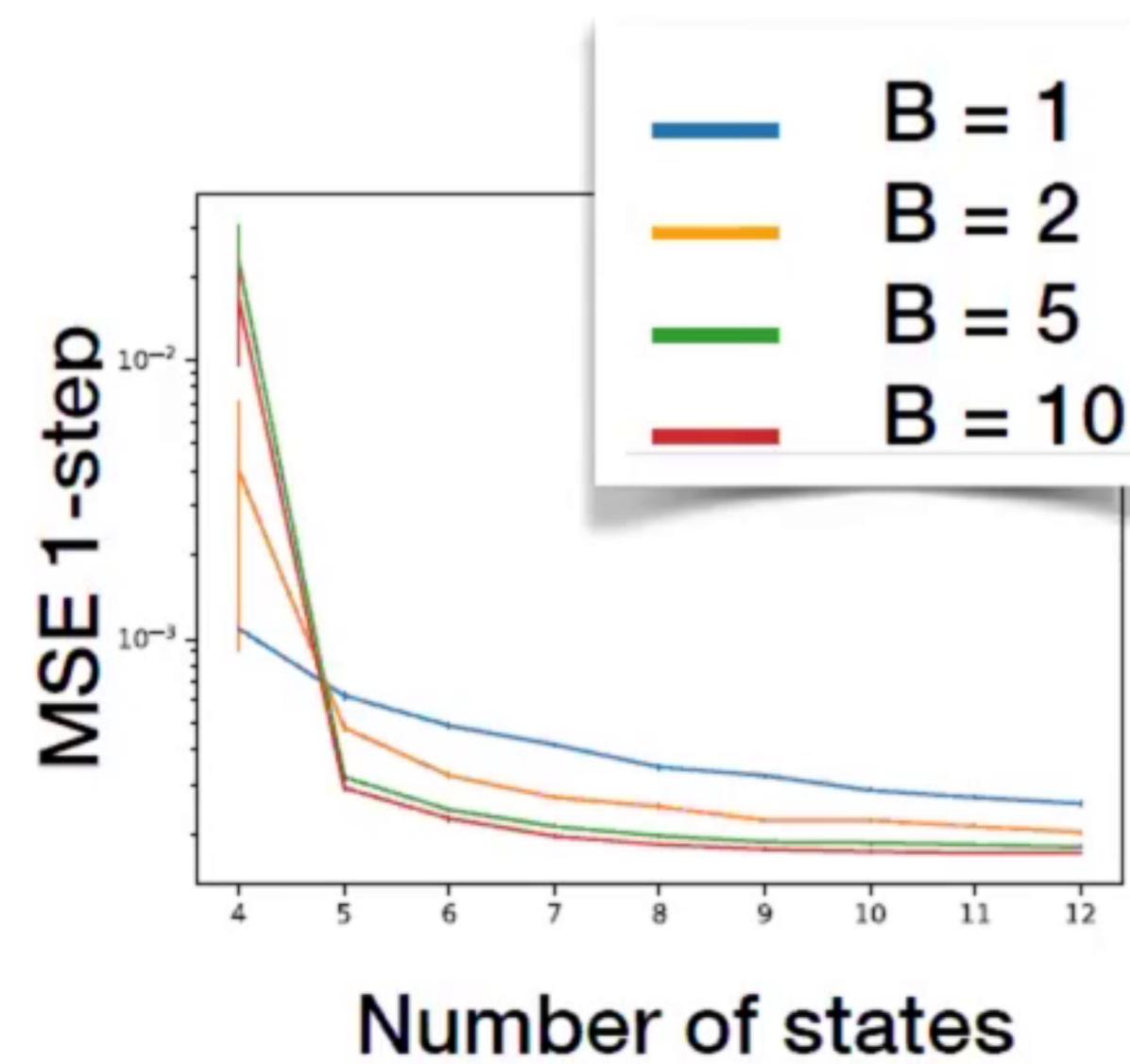
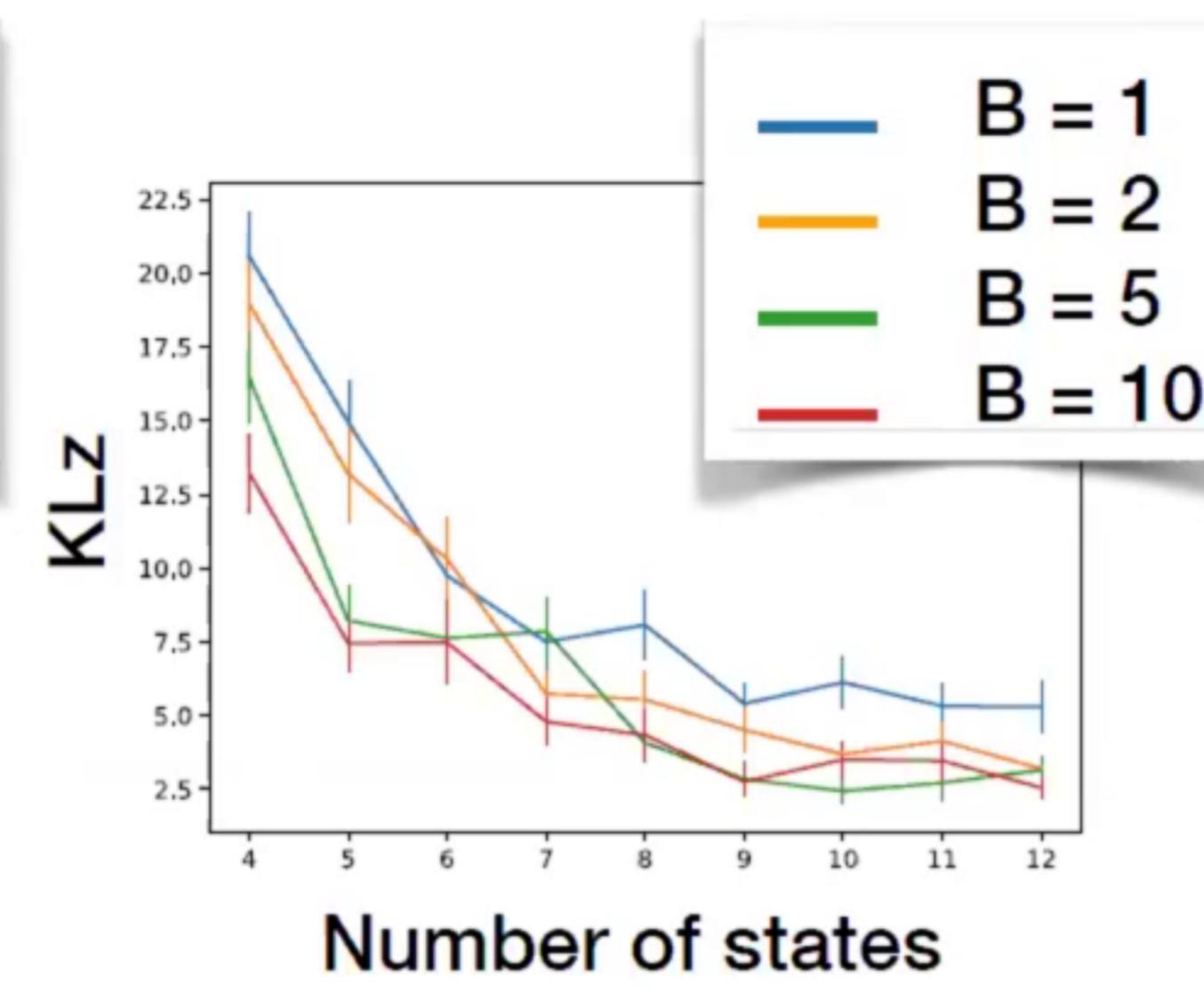
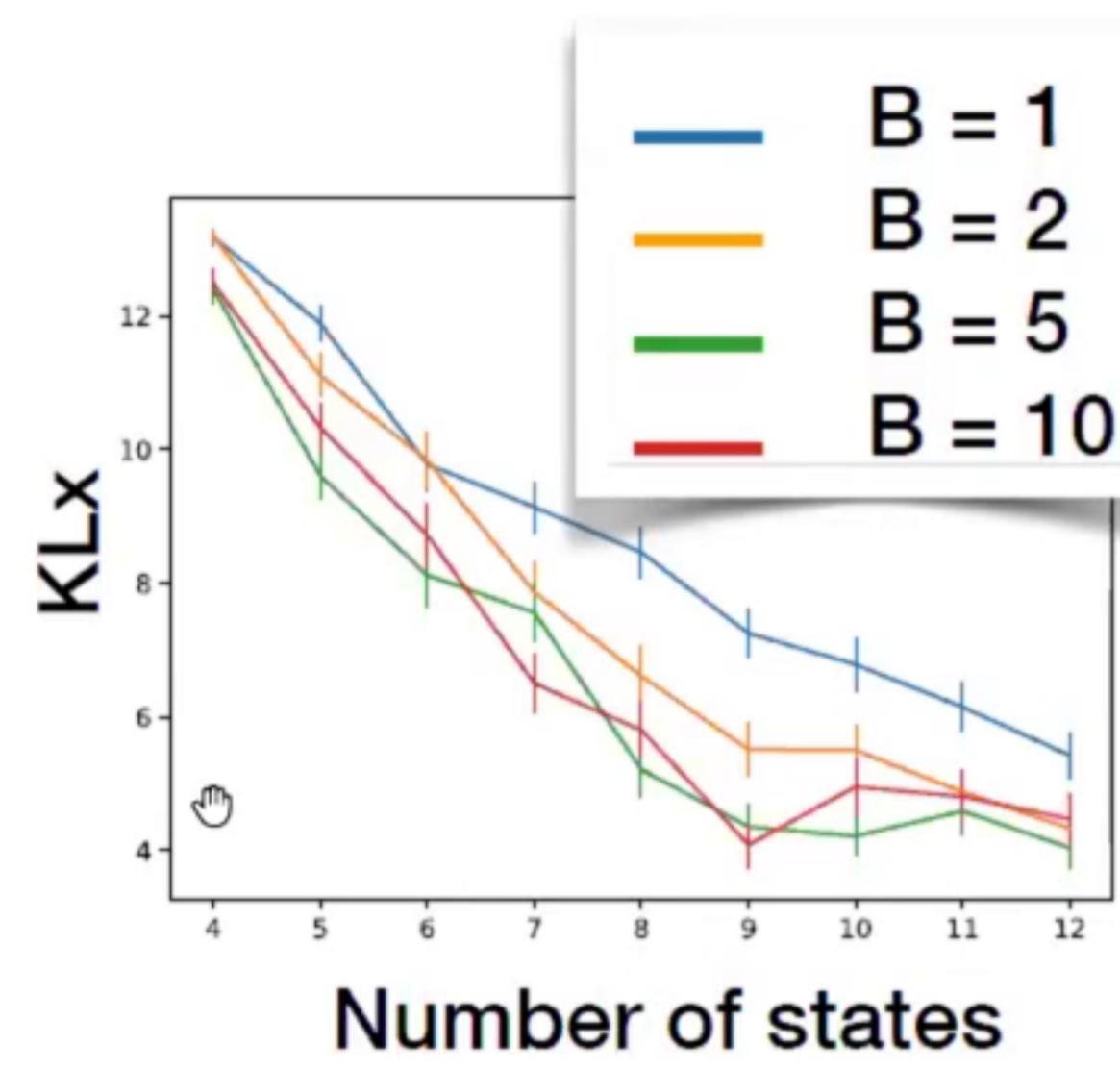
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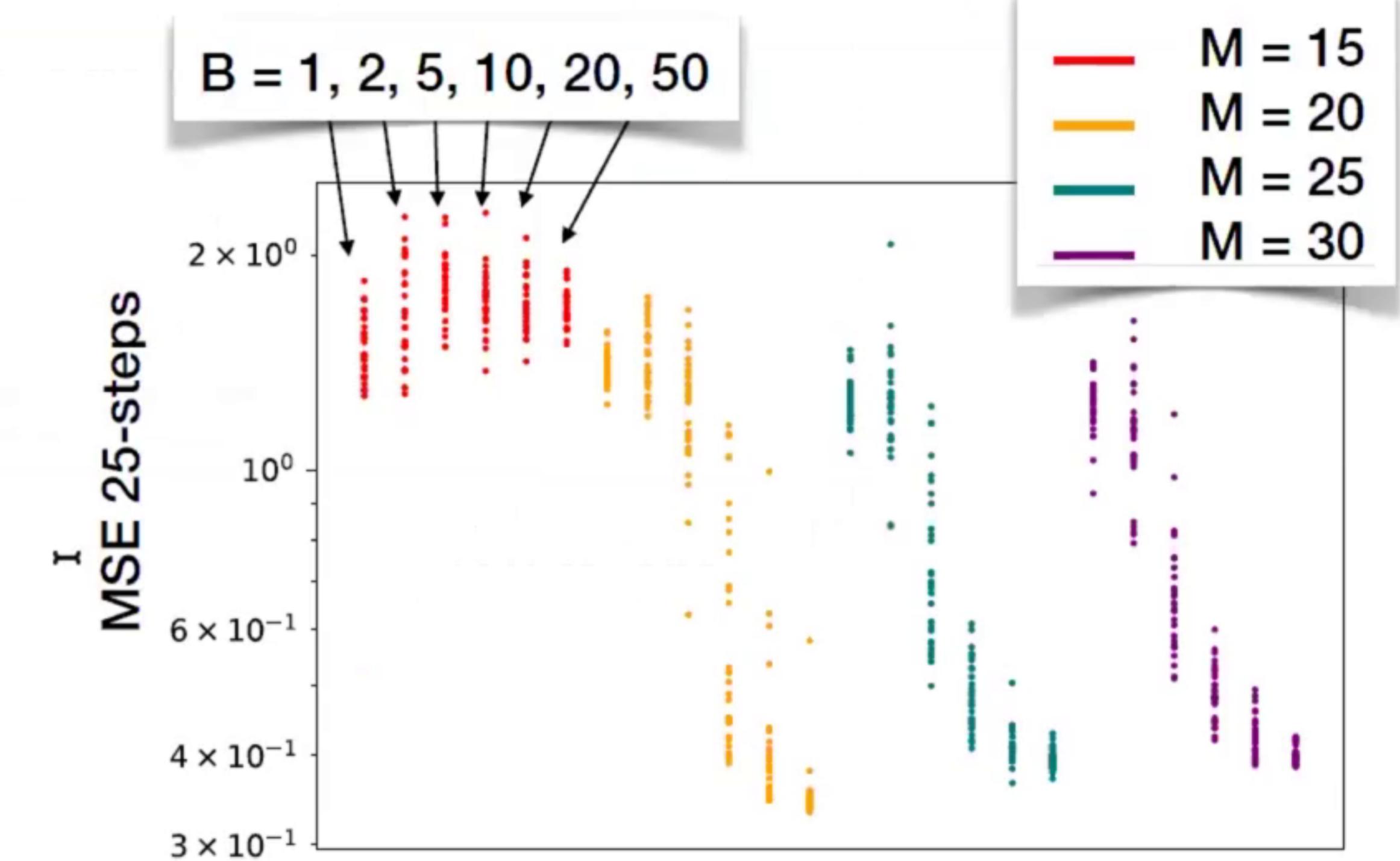
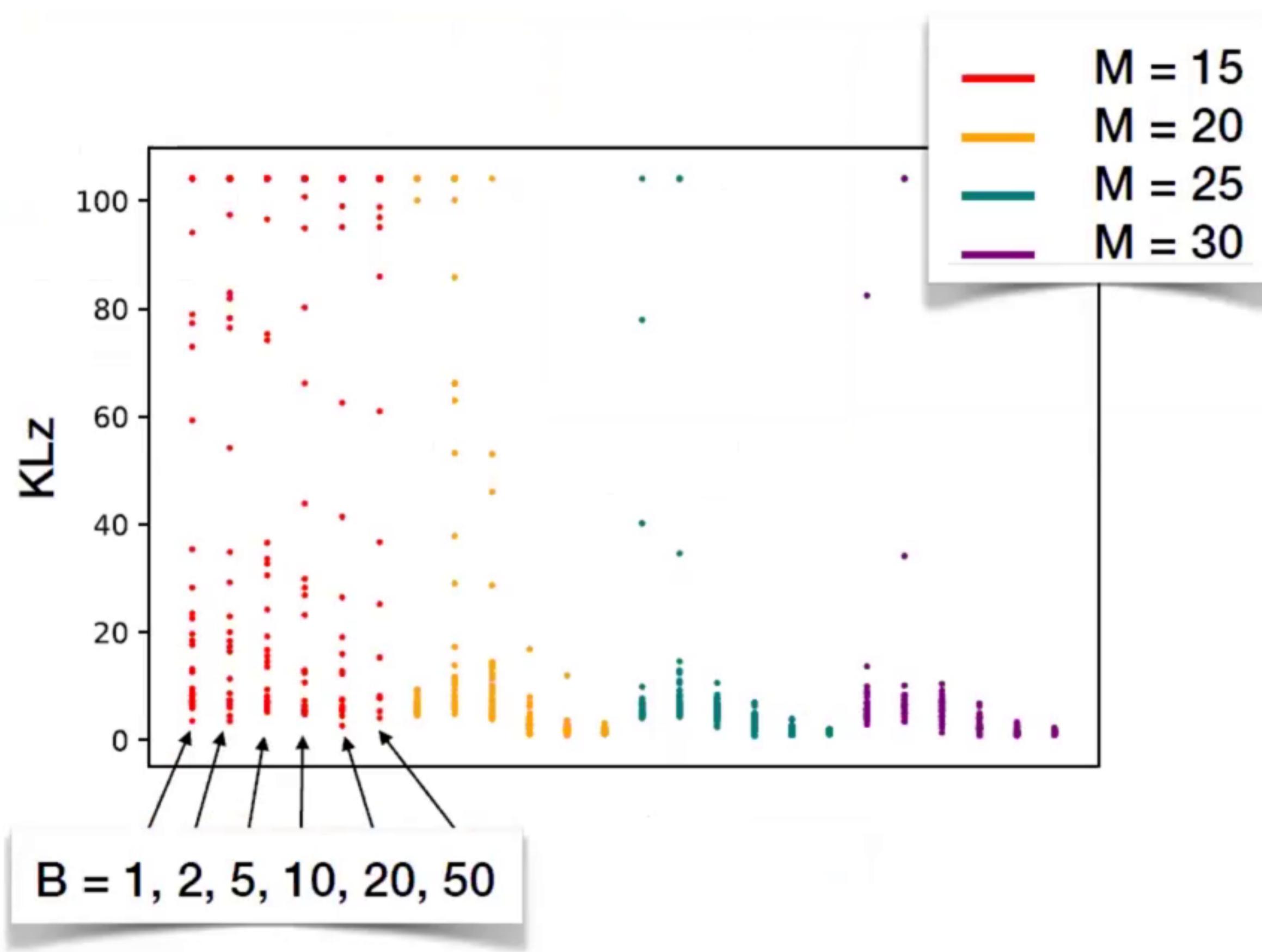
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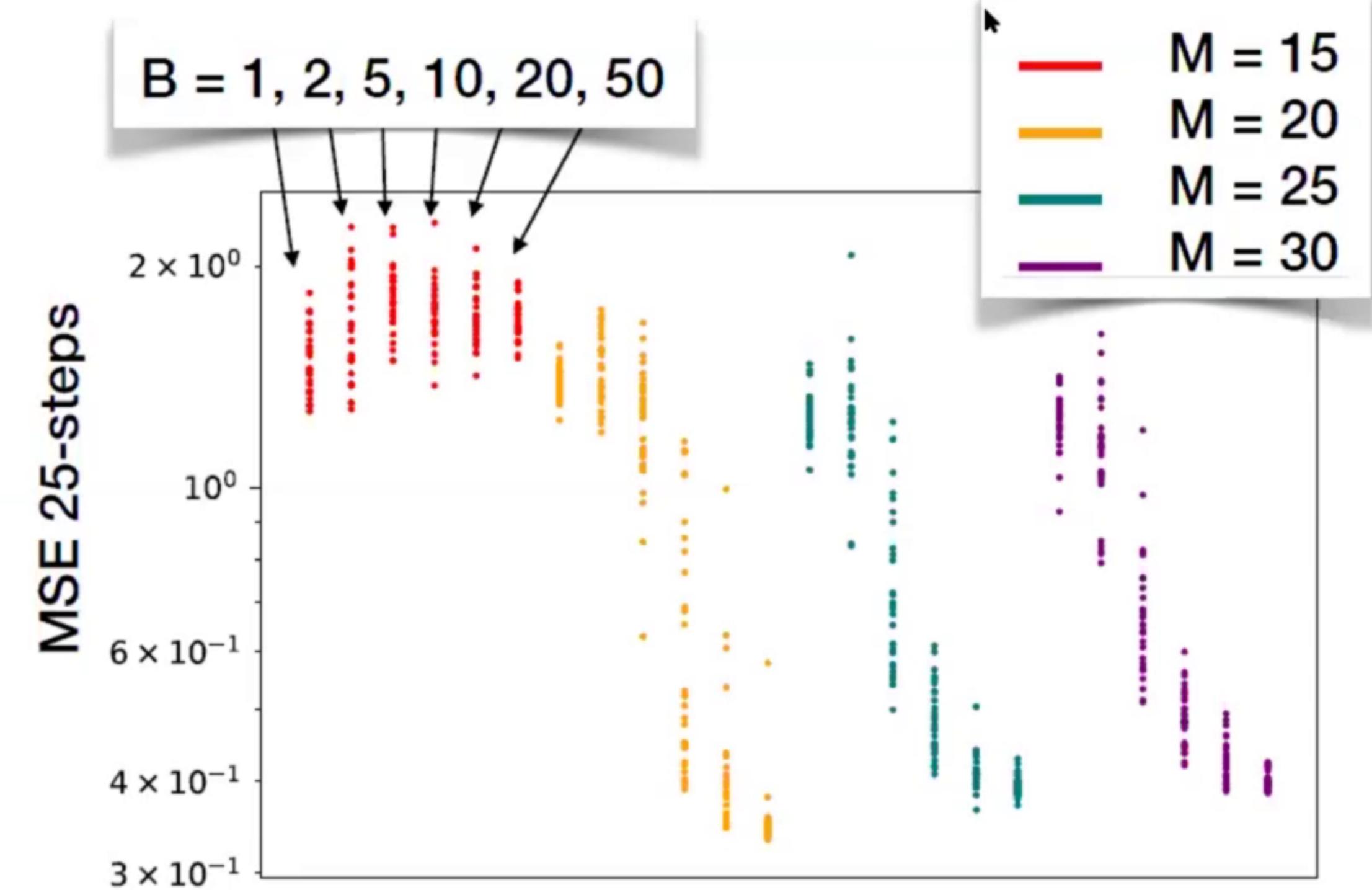
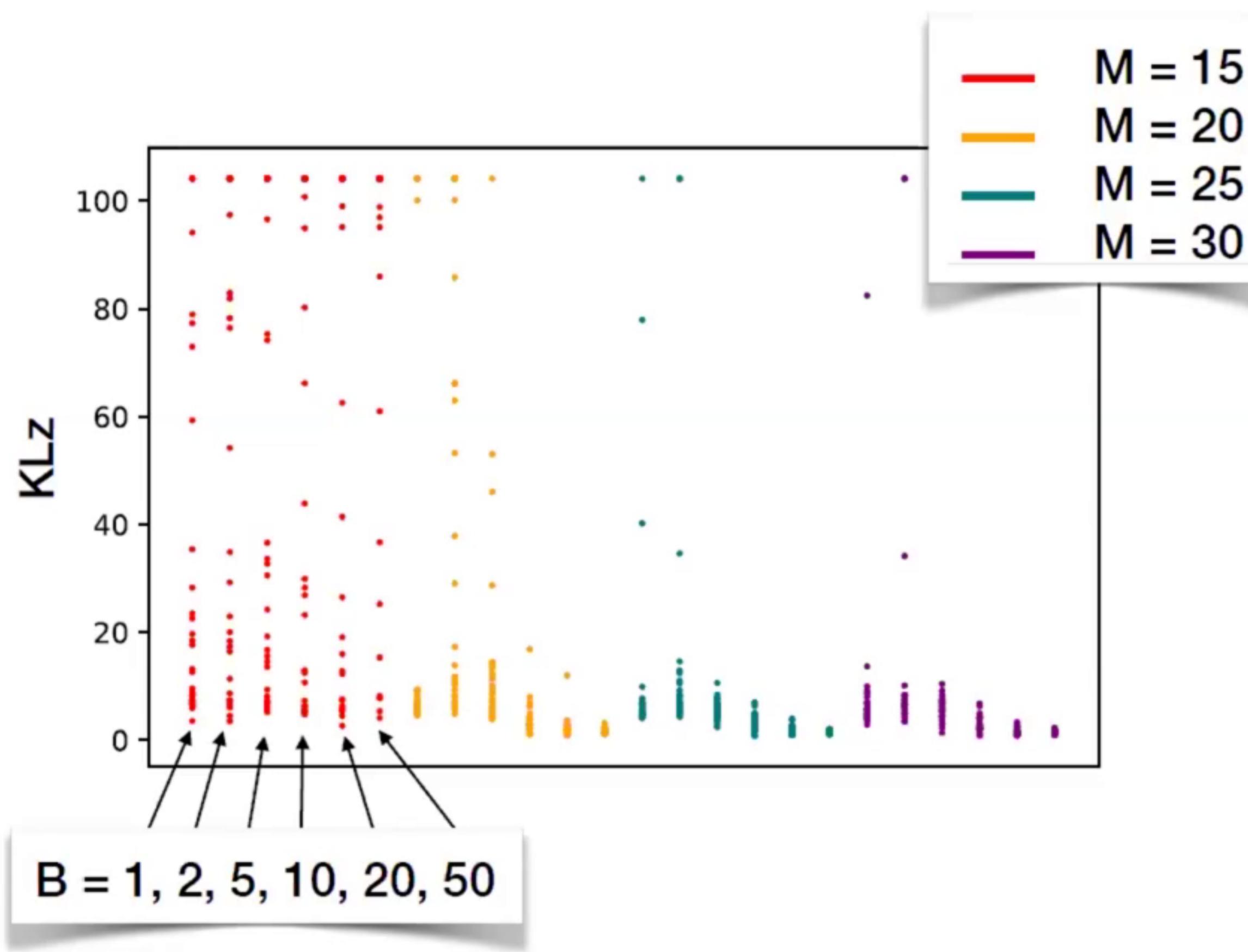
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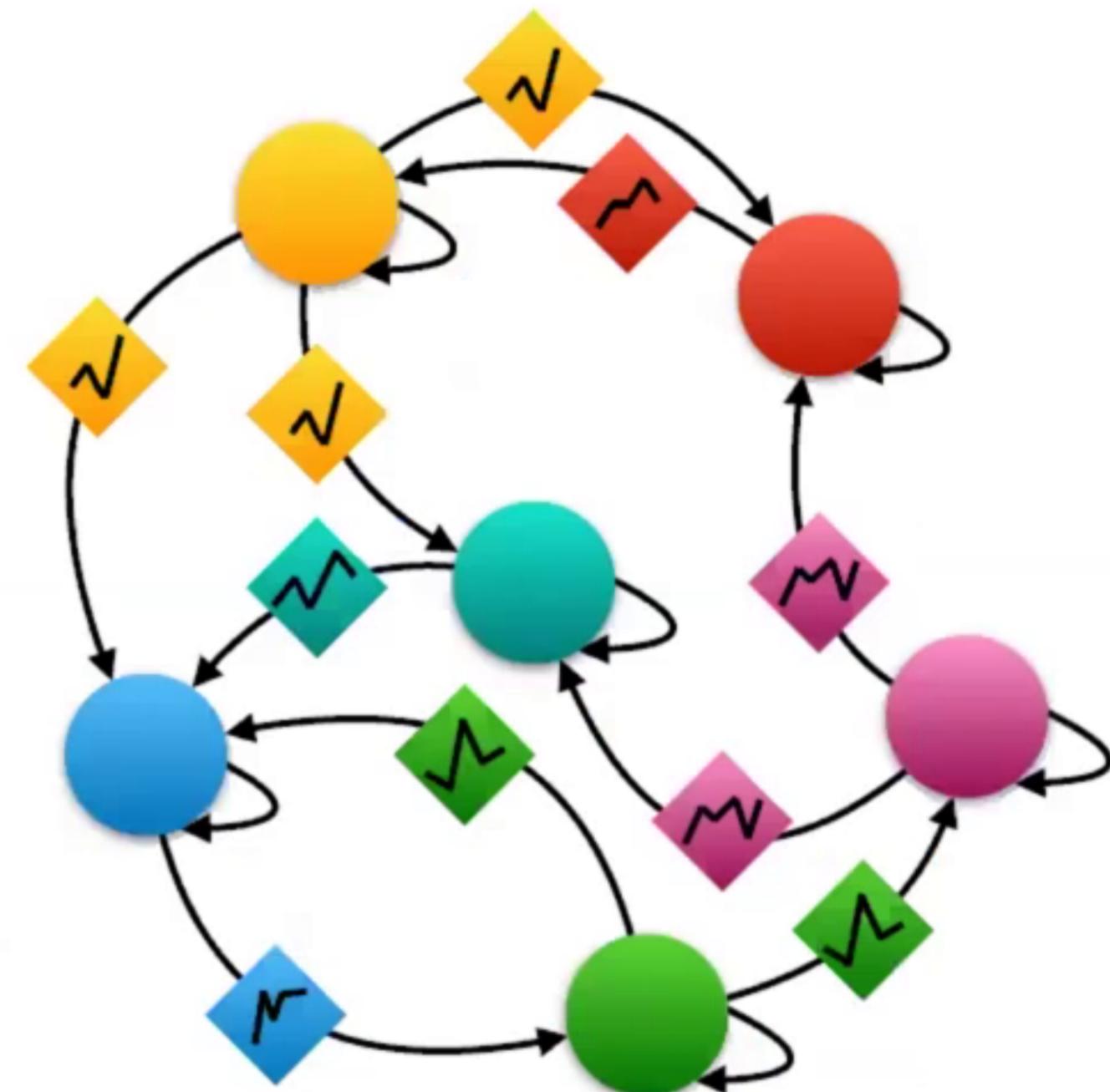


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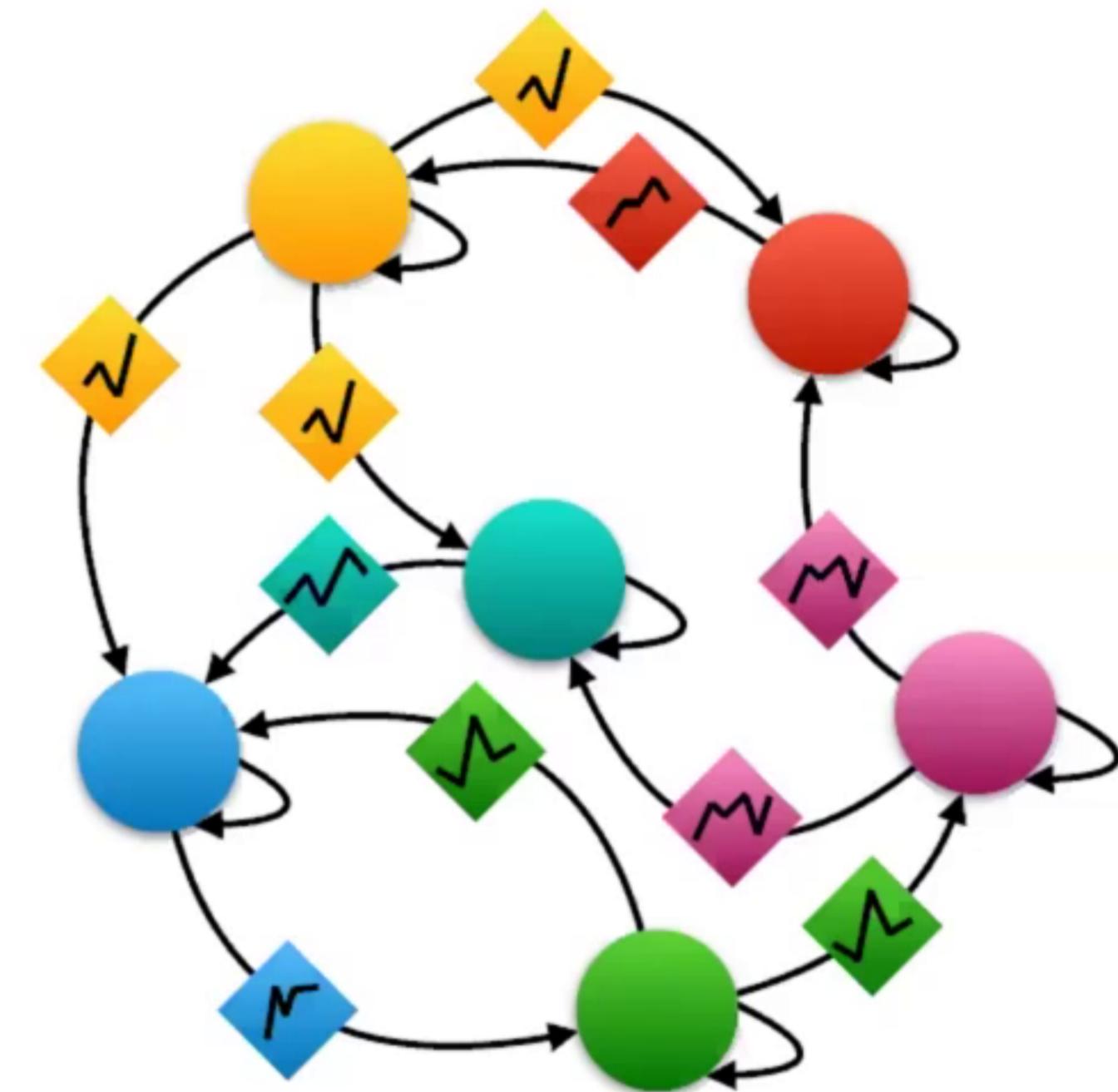


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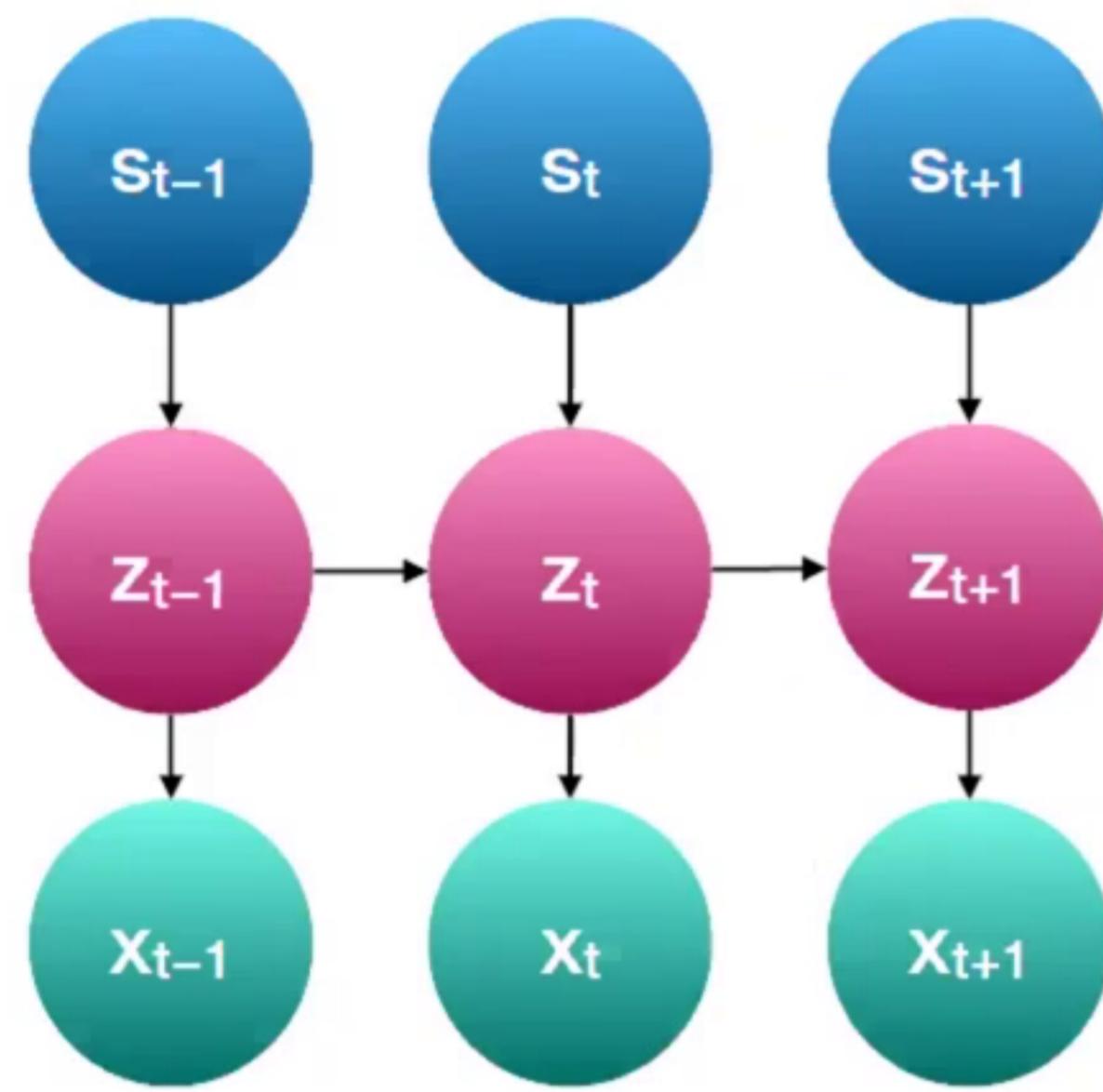
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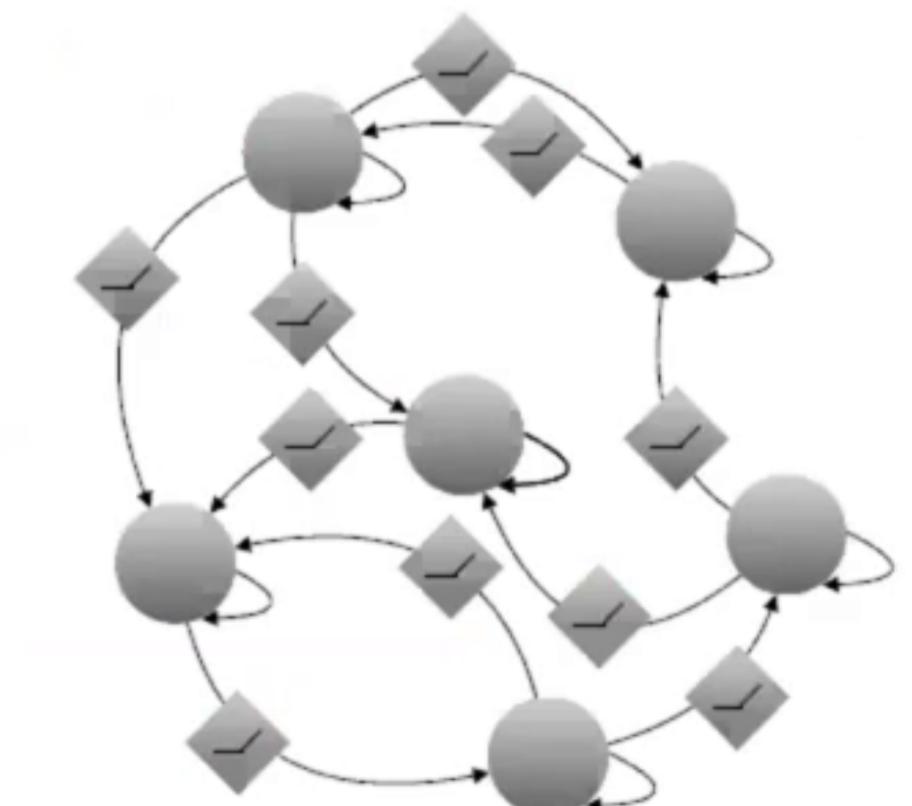
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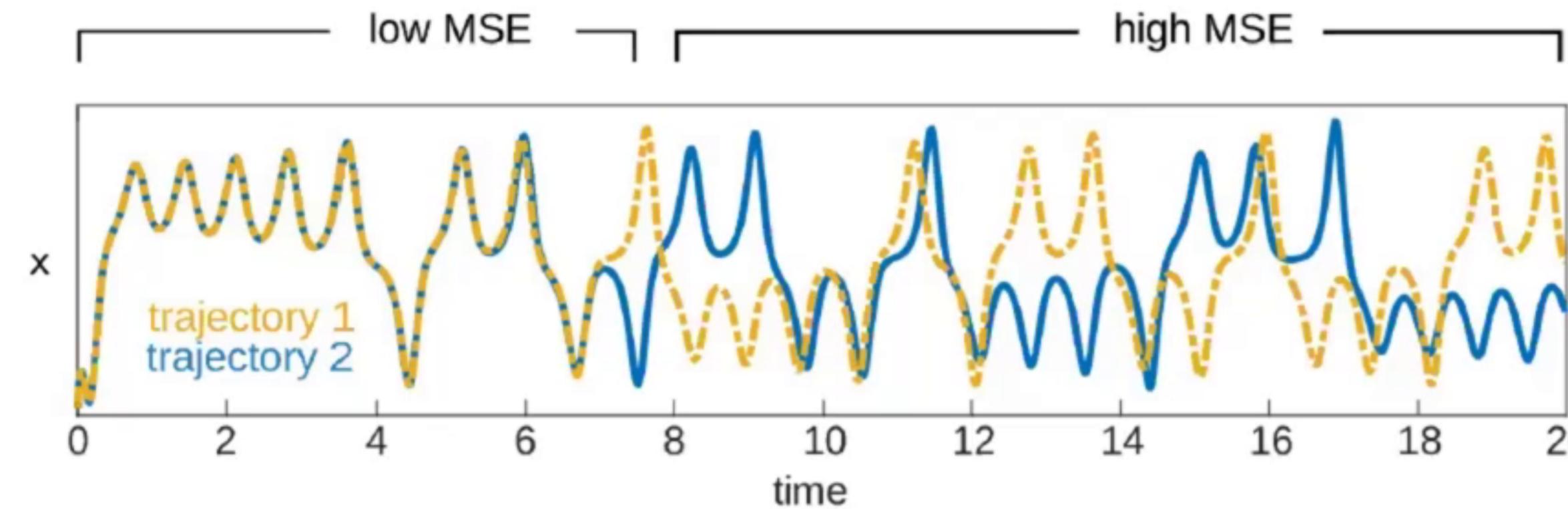
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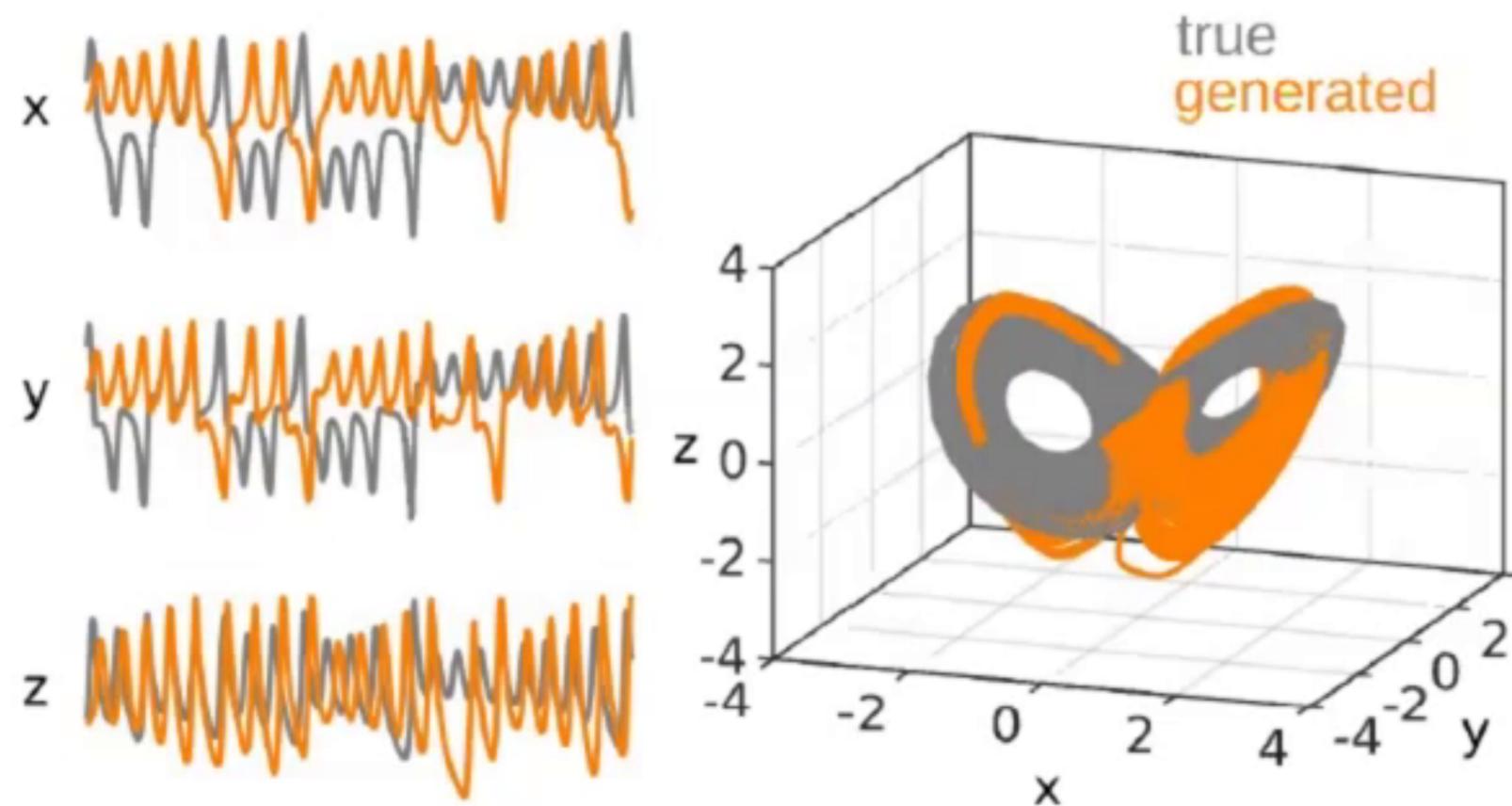


# Global vs. Local Metrics

## Kullback-Leibler Divergence vs. Mean Squared Error



low  $\tilde{KL}_X = .06$ , high MSE=2.48



high  $\tilde{KL}_X = .71$ , low MSE=1.40

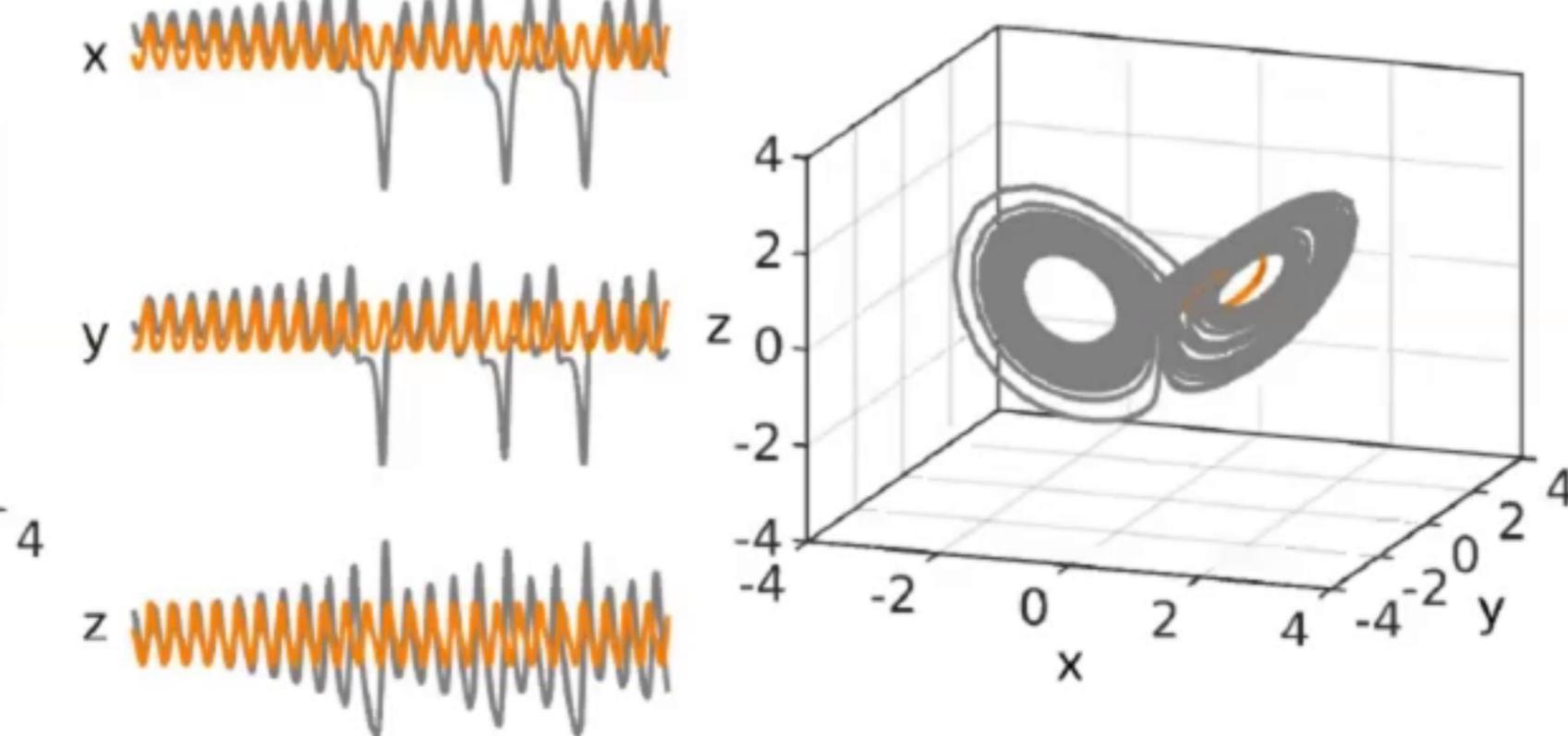


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