

# A backward particle interpretation of Feynman-Kac path measures with applications

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# Basic notation

$\mathcal{P}(E)$  probability meas.,  $\mathcal{B}(E)$  bounded functions on  $E$ .

▶  $(\mu, f) \in \mathcal{P}(E) \times \mathcal{B}(E) \longrightarrow \mu(f) = \int \mu(dx) f(x)$

▶  $Q(x_1, dx_2)$  **integral operators**  $x_1 \in E_1 \rightsquigarrow x_2 \in E_2$

$$Q(f)(x_1) = \int Q(x_1, dx_2) f(x_2)$$

$$[\mu Q](dx_2) = \int \mu(dx_1) Q(x_1, dx_2) \quad (\implies [\mu Q](f) = \mu[Q(f)])$$

▶ **Boltzmann-Gibbs transformation**

[Positive and bounded potential function  $G$ ]

$$\mu(dx) \mapsto \Psi_G(\mu)(dx) = \frac{1}{\mu(G)} G(x) \mu(dx)$$

# Feynman-Kac measures

- ▶ Markov chain  $X_n$  on  $E_n$ , with transitions  $M_n$  :

$$\mathbb{P}_n(d(x_0, \dots, x_n)) = \eta_0(dx_0)M_1(x_0, dx_1) \dots M_n(x_{n-1}, dx_n)$$

- ▶ Potential functions  $G_n(x_n) \in [0, 1]$

$$d\mathbb{Q}_n := \frac{1}{Z_n} \left\{ \prod_{0 \leq p < n} G_p(X_p) \right\} d\mathbb{P}_n$$

Flow of  $n$ -marginals

$$\eta_n(f) = \gamma_n(f)/\gamma_n(1) \quad \text{with} \quad \gamma_n(f) := \mathbb{E} \left( f(X_n) \prod_{0 \leq p < n} G_p(X_p) \right)$$

Nonlinear equation:

$$\eta_{n+1} = \Psi_{G_n}(\eta_n)M_{n+1} := \Phi_{n+1}(\eta_n)$$

▷ *Continuous time models*

$$X_n := X'_{[t_n, t_{n+1}[} \quad \& \quad G_n(X_n) = \exp \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} V_s(X'_s) ds$$

⇓

$$\prod_{0 \leq p < n} G_p(X_p) = \exp \left\{ \int_{t_0}^{t_n} V_s(X'_s) ds \right\} d\mathbb{P}'_{t_n}$$

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$$d\mathbb{Q}_n = \frac{1}{Z_n} \exp \left\{ \int_{t_0}^{t_n} V_s(X'_s) ds \right\}$$

or using a simple "Euler's scheme"  $X'_{t_p} = X_p$

$$e^{\int_{t_0}^{t_n} [V_s(X'_s) ds + W_s(X'_s) dB_s]} \simeq \prod_{0 \leq p < n} e^{V_{t_p}(X_p) \Delta t + W_{t_p}(X_p) \sqrt{\Delta t} N_p(0,1)}$$

## Self avoiding walks

$$\mathbf{X}_n = (X_0, \dots, X_n) \quad \& \quad \mathbf{G}_n(\mathbf{X}_n) = 1_{X_n \notin \{X_0, \dots, X_{n-1}\}}$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{Q}_n &:= \frac{1}{Z_n} \left\{ \prod_{0 \leq p < n} G_p(X_p) \right\} d\mathbb{P}_n \\ &= \text{Law}((\mathbf{X}_0, \dots, \mathbf{X}_n) \mid X_p \neq X_q, \forall 0 \leq p < q < n) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} Z_n &= \gamma_n(1) \\ &= \text{Proba}(X_p \neq X_q, \forall 0 \leq p < q < n) \end{aligned}$$



# Absorption models

- ▶ Sub-Markov semigroups

$$Q_n(x, dy) = G_{n-1}(x) M_n(x, dy) \rightsquigarrow E_n^c = E_n \cup \{c\}$$

- ▶ Absorbed Markov chain

$$X_n^c \in E_n^c \xrightarrow{\text{absorption} \sim (1-G_n)} \widehat{X}_n^c \xrightarrow{\text{exploration} \sim M_n} X_{n+1}^c$$

↓

$$\mathbb{Q}_n = \text{Law}((X_0^c, \dots, X_n^c) \mid T^{\text{absorption}} \geq n)$$

and

$$\mathcal{Z}_n = \text{Proba}(T^{\text{absorption}} \geq n)$$

# Homogeneous models $(G_n, M_n) = (G, M)$

- ▶ Reversibility condition :  $\mu(dx)M(x, dy) = \mu(dy)M(y, dx)$

$$\text{Proba} (T^{\text{absorption}} \geq n) \simeq \lambda^n$$

with  $\lambda =$  top eigenvalue of

$$Q(x, dy) = G(x) M(x, dy)$$

- ▶  $Q(h) = \lambda h \rightsquigarrow$  Doob  $h$ -process  $X^h$

$$M^h(x, dy) = \frac{1}{\lambda} h^{-1}(x) Q(x, dy) h(y) = \frac{Q(x, dy) h(y)}{Q(h)(x)} = \frac{M(x, dy) h(y)}{M(h)(x)}$$

# Homogeneous models $(G_n, M_n) = (G, M)$

$$\mathbb{Q}_n(d(x_0, \dots, x_n)) \propto \mathbb{P}((X_0^h, \dots, X_n^h) \in d(x_0, \dots, x_n)) h^{-1}(x_n)$$

- ▶ *Invariant measure  $\mu_h = \mu_h M^h$  & normalized additive functionals*

$$\bar{F}_n(x_0, \dots, x_n) = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{0 \leq p \leq n} f(x_p) \implies \mathbb{Q}_n(\bar{F}_n) \simeq_n \mu_h(f)$$

- ▶ *If  $G = G^\theta$  depends on some  $\theta \in \mathbb{R} \rightsquigarrow f := \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log G^\theta$*

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log \lambda^\theta \simeq_n \frac{1}{n+1} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log \mathcal{Z}_{n+1}^\theta = \mathbb{Q}_n(\bar{F}_n)$$

*NB : Similar expression when  $M^\theta$  depends on some  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ .*

# Filtering and Hidden Markov Chains

- ▶ Signal-Observation  $(X, Y) =$  Markov chain

$$\mathbb{P}((X_n, Y_n) \in d(x, y) | (X_{n-1}, Y_{n-1})) := M_n(X_{n-1}, dx) g_n(x, y) \nu_n(dy)$$

- ▶ Conditional distributions :  $Y = y$  fixed,  $G_n(x_n) \propto g_n(x_n, y_n)$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{Q}_n &= \text{Law}((X_0, \dots, X_n) | \forall 0 \leq p < n \ Y_p = y_p) \\ \mathcal{Z}_{n+1} &= p_n(y_0, \dots, y_n) \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Hidden Markov chains  $\theta \mapsto (X^\theta, Y^\theta)$

Pb :  $\text{Arg-max}_\theta p_n(y_0, \dots, y_n | \theta) \rightsquigarrow$  Algo. EM  $\oplus$  Gradient

$$\theta_n = \theta_{n-1} + \tau_n \nabla \log \mathcal{Z}_n^{\theta_{n-1}}$$

Posterior models :  $\mathbb{P}(\Theta \in d\theta | Y_p, p < n) \propto \mathcal{Z}_n^\theta \times \mathbb{P}(\Theta \in d\theta)$

# Rare event simulation (1)

Ruin and default probabilities = Level crossing probabilities

$$\mathbb{P}(V_n(X_n) \geq a) \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbb{P}(X \text{ hits } A_n \text{ before } B)$$

- ▶ Level crossing at a fixed given time

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(V_n(X_n) \geq a) &= \mathbb{E} \left( f_n(\mathbf{X}_n) e^{V_n(X_n)} \right) \\ &= \mathbb{E} \left( \mathbf{f}_n(\mathbf{X}_n) \prod_{0 \leq p < n} G_p(\mathbf{X}_p) \right) \end{aligned}$$

with

- ▶ The Markov chain on transition space

$$\mathbf{X}_n = (X_n, X_{n+1}) \quad \text{and} \quad G_n(\mathbf{X}_n) = \exp[V_{n+1}(X_{n+1}) - V_n(X_n)]$$

- ▶ The test functions

$$f_n(\mathbf{X}_n) = \mathbf{1}_{V_n(X_n) \geq a} e^{-V_n(X_n)}$$

## Rare event simulation (2)

- **Excursion level crossing**  $A_n \downarrow$ , with  $B$  non critical recurrent subset.

$$\mathbb{P}(X \text{ hits } A_n \text{ before } B) = \mathbb{E} \left( \prod_{0 \leq p \leq n} 1_{A_p}(X_{T_p}) \right)$$

$$T_n := \inf \{p \geq T_{n-1} : X_p \in (A_n \cup B)\}$$

Feynman-Kac model

$$\mathbb{E} \left( \prod_{0 \leq p \leq n} 1_{A_p}(X_{T_p}) \right) = \mathbb{E} \left( \prod_{0 \leq p < n} G_p(\mathbf{X}_p) \right)$$

with

$$\mathbf{X}_n = (X_p)_{p \in [T_n, T_{n+1}]} \quad \& \quad G_n(\mathbf{X}_n) = 1_{A_{n+1}}(X_{T_{n+1}})$$

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# Path measures and Historical processes

- ▶ Time marginal measures = Path space measures:

$$\gamma_n(f_n) = \mathbb{E} \left( f_n(\mathbf{X}_n) \prod_{0 \leq p < n} \mathbf{G}_p(\mathbf{X}_p) \right)$$

with the historical process

$$[ \mathbf{X}_n := (X_0, \dots, X_n) \ \& \ \mathbf{G}_n(\mathbf{X}_n) = G_n(X_n) ]$$

↓

$$\eta_n = \mathbb{Q}_n$$



# Free energy models

- ▶ Normalizing constants (= Free energy models):

$$\mathcal{Z}_n = \gamma_n(\mathbf{1}) = \mathbb{E} \left( \prod_{0 \leq p < n} G_p(X_p) \right) = \prod_{0 \leq p < n} \eta_p(G_p)$$

and

$$\gamma_n(f) = \eta_n(f) \times \gamma_n(\mathbf{1}) = \eta_n(f) \times \prod_{0 \leq p < n} \eta_p(G_p)$$

▽ *Product formula*

$$\gamma_n(\mathbf{1}) = \gamma_{n-1}(G_{n-1}) = \eta_{n-1}(G_{n-1}) \gamma_{n-1}(\mathbf{1})$$

△

# A backward Markov chain model

► Notice that

$$Q_n(d(x_0, \dots, x_n)) \propto \eta_0(dx_0) Q_1(x_0, dx_1) \dots Q_n(x_{n-1}, dx_n)$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} Q_n(x_{n-1}, dx_n) &:= G_{n-1}(x_{n-1}) M_n(x_{n-1}, dx_n) \\ &\stackrel{\text{hyp}}{=} H_n(x_{n-1}, x_n) \nu_n(dx_n) \\ \Rightarrow \eta_{n+1}(dx) &= \frac{1}{\eta_n(G_n)} \eta_n(H_{n+1}(\cdot, x)) \nu_{n+1}(dx) \end{aligned}$$

If we set

$$M_{n+1, \eta_n}(x_{n+1}, dx_n) = \frac{\eta_n(dx_n) H_{n+1}(x_n, x_{n+1})}{\eta_n(H_{n+1}(\cdot, x_{n+1}))}$$

then we find the backward equation

$$\eta_{n+1}(dx_{n+1}) M_{n+1, \eta_n}(x_{n+1}, dx_n) = \frac{1}{\eta_n(G_n)} \eta_n(dx_n) Q_{n+1}(x_n, dx_{n+1})$$

# A backward Markov chain model (continued)

In summary

$$Q_n(d(x_0, \dots, x_n)) \propto \eta_0(dx_0) Q_1(x_0, dx_1) \dots Q_n(x_{n-1}, dx_n)$$

$\oplus$

$$\eta_{n+1}(dx_{n+1}) M_{n+1, \eta_n}(x_{n+1}, dx_n) \propto \eta_n(dx_n) Q_{n+1}(x_n, dx_{n+1})$$

$\Downarrow$

Backward Markov chain model :

$$Q_n(d(x_0, \dots, x_n)) = \eta_n(dx_n) M_{n, \eta_{n-1}}(x_n, dx_{n-1}) \dots M_{1, \eta_0}(x_1, dx_0)$$

with the dual/backward Markov transitions

$$M_{n+1, \eta_n}(x_{n+1}, dx_n) \propto \eta_n(dx_n) H_{n+1}(x_n, x_{n+1})$$

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# Feynman-Kac evolution semigroups

## Evolution equations

$$\eta_n \xrightarrow{\text{Correction-Selection}} \hat{\eta}_n = \Psi_{G_n}(\eta_n) \xrightarrow{\text{Prediction-Mutation}} \eta_{n+1} = \hat{\eta}_n M_{n+1}$$

## with the nonlinear mass transport equation

$$\Psi_{G_n}(\eta_n)(dy) := \frac{1}{\mu(G_n)} G_n(y) \eta_n(dy) = \int \eta_n(dx) S_{n,\eta_n}(x, dy)$$

where

$$S_{n,\eta_n}(x, \cdot) := G_n(x) \delta_x + (1 - G_n(x)) \Psi_{G_n}(\eta_n)$$

↓

$$\eta_{n+1} = \eta_n (S_{n,\eta_n} M_{n+1}) := \eta_n K_{n+1,\eta_n} = \text{Law}(\bar{X}_n)$$

# McKean Markov chain model $\bar{X}_n =$ Perfect sampler

$$\mathbb{P}(\bar{X}_{n+1} \in dx \mid \bar{X}_n) = K_{n+1, \eta_n}(\bar{X}_n, dx)$$

$\rightsquigarrow$  **McKean measure**

$$\bar{\mathbb{P}}_n(d(x_0, \dots, x_n)) = \eta_0(dx_0) K_{1, \eta_0}(x_0, dx_1) \dots K_{n, \eta_{n-1}}(x_n, dx)$$

**Mean field particle model = Stochastic population dynamic model**

$\rightsquigarrow \xi_n = (\xi_n^1, \dots, \xi_n^N) \in E^N$  **such that**

$$\eta_n^N := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} \delta_{\xi_n^i} \simeq_{N \uparrow \infty} \eta_n$$

$\rightsquigarrow$  Natural approximated transitions

$$\xi_n^i \rightsquigarrow \xi_{n+1}^i \sim K_{n+1, \eta_n^N}(\xi_n^i, dx)$$

## ⇔ Stochastic population dynamics

$$\begin{bmatrix} \xi_n^1 \\ \vdots \\ \xi_n^i \\ \vdots \\ \xi_n^N \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{S_{n,\eta_n^N}} \begin{bmatrix} \widehat{\xi}_n^1 & \xrightarrow{M_{n+1}} & \xi_{n+1}^1 \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \widehat{\xi}_n^i & \longrightarrow & \xi_{n+1}^i \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \widehat{\xi}_n^N & \longrightarrow & \xi_{n+1}^N \end{bmatrix}$$

Accept/Reject-Recycle=Selection = Geometric recycling interacting jumps

$$S_{n,\eta_n^N}(\xi_n^i, dx)$$

$$:= G_n(\xi_n^i) \delta_{\xi_n^i}(dx) + (1 - G_n(\xi_n^i)) \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{G_n(\xi_n^j)}{\sum_{k=1}^N G_n(\xi_n^k)} \delta_{\xi_n^j}(dx)$$

Ex. :  $G_n = 1_A \rightsquigarrow G_n(\xi_n^i) = 1_A(\xi_n^i)$

Illustration :  $\eta_n \simeq \eta_n^N := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} \delta_{\xi_n^i}$

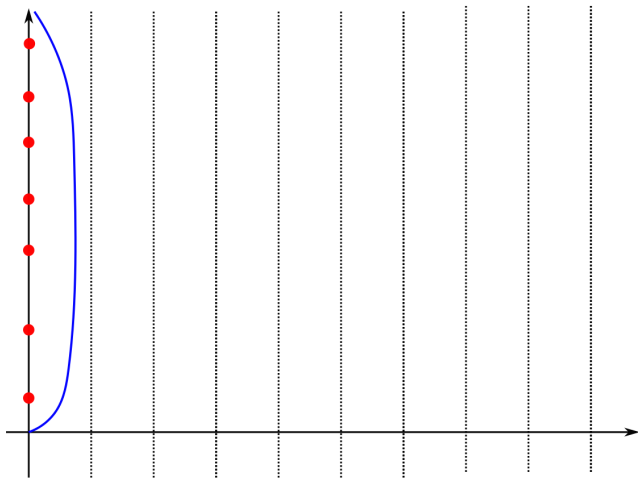




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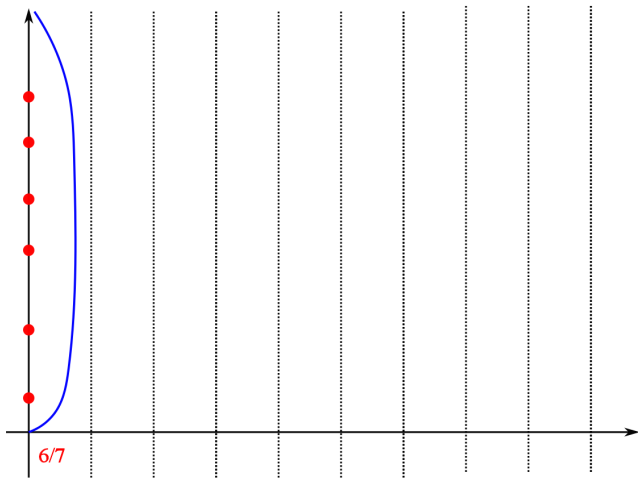


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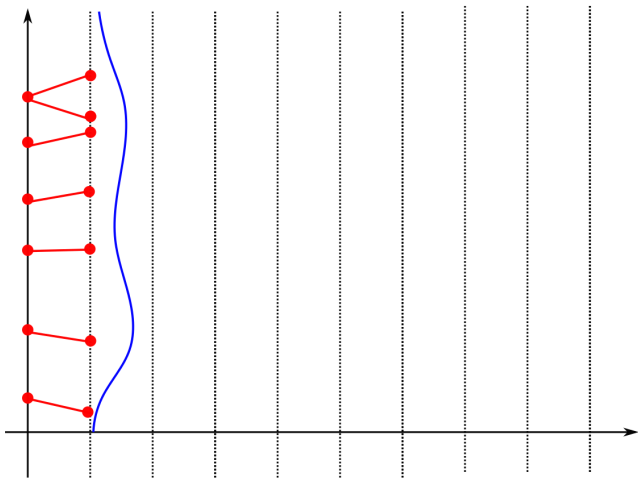


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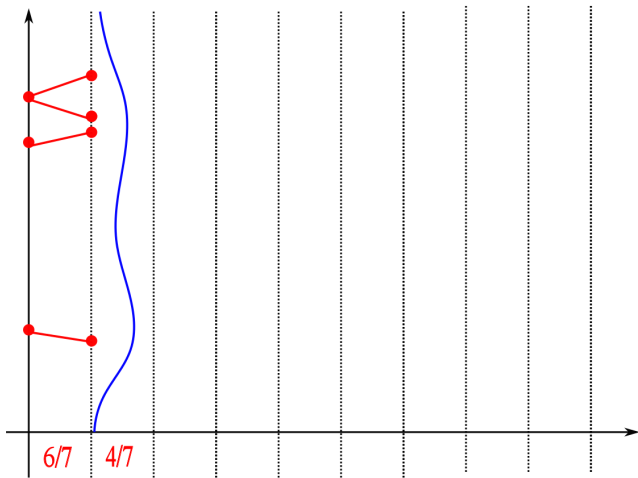


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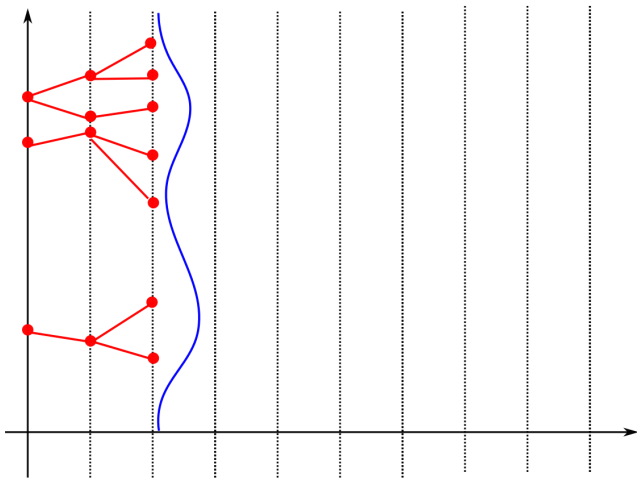


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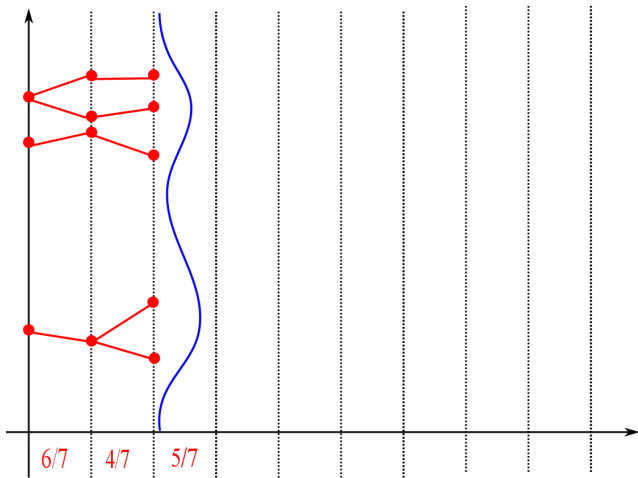


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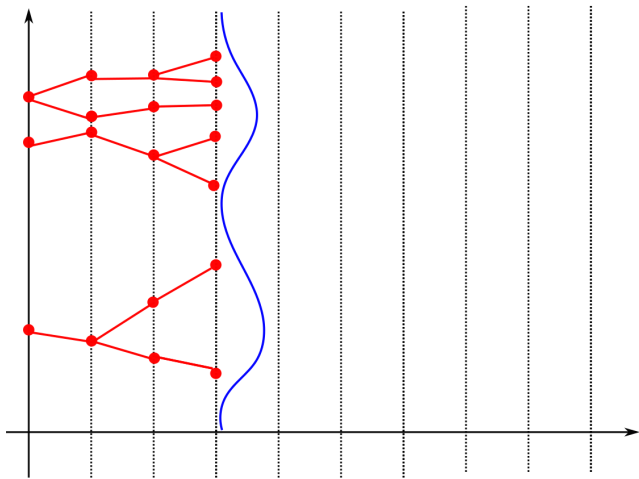


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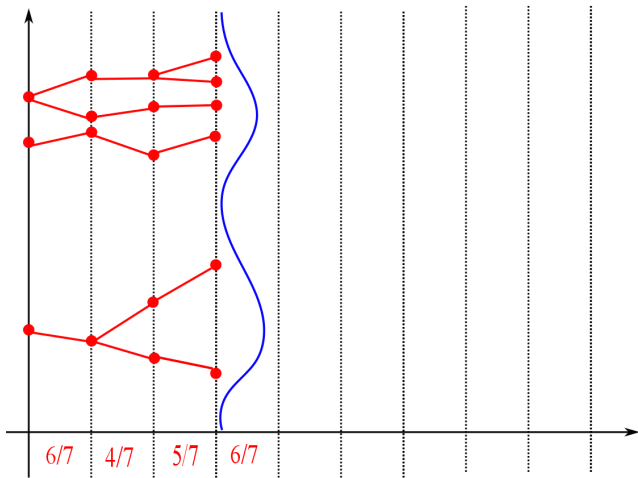


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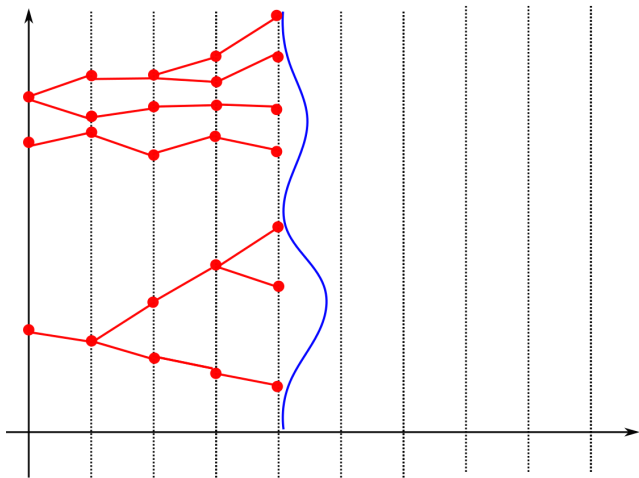




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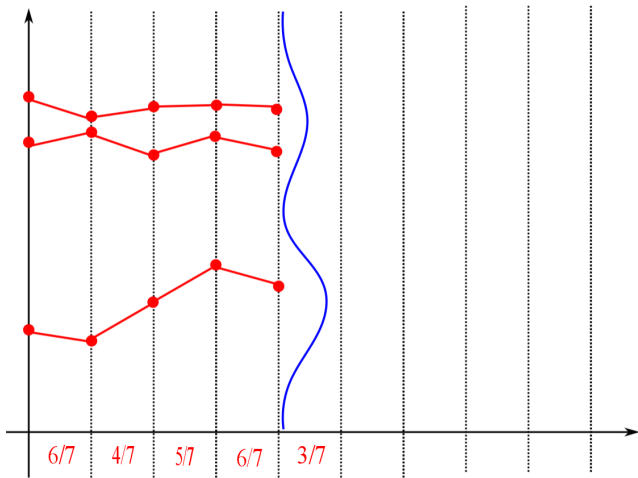


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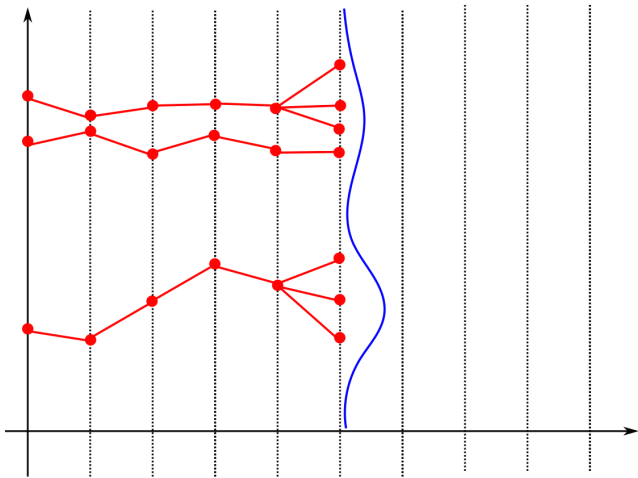


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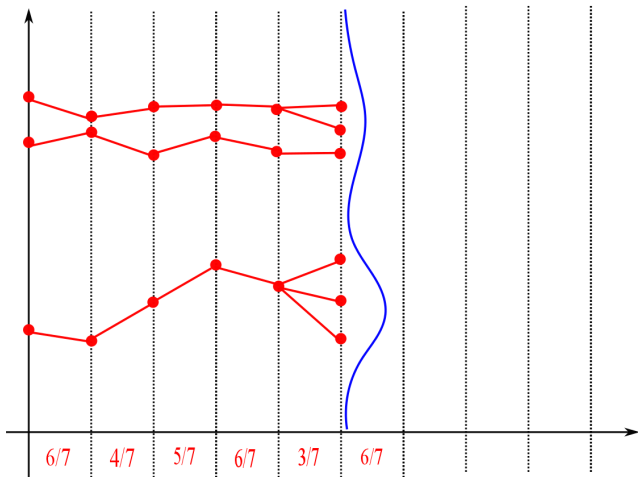


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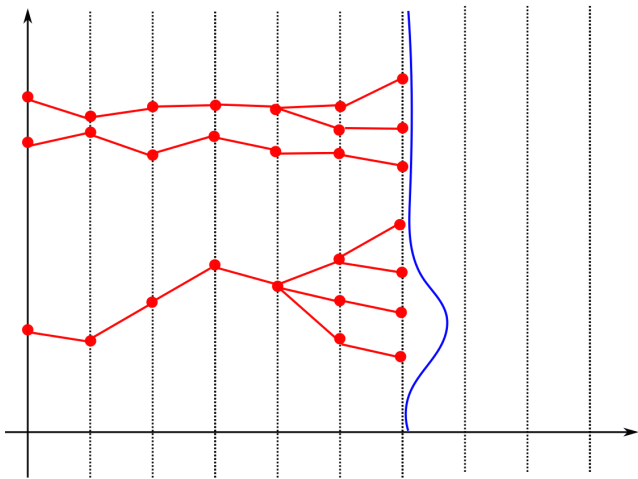


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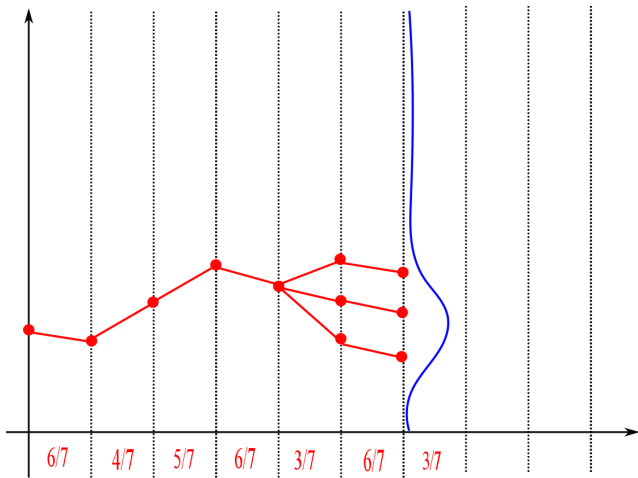


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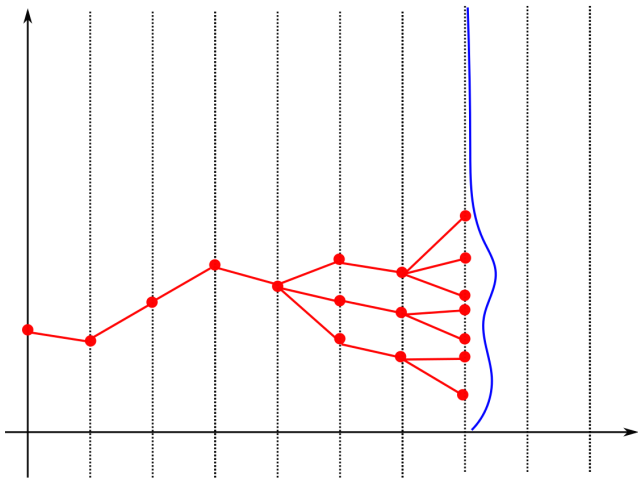


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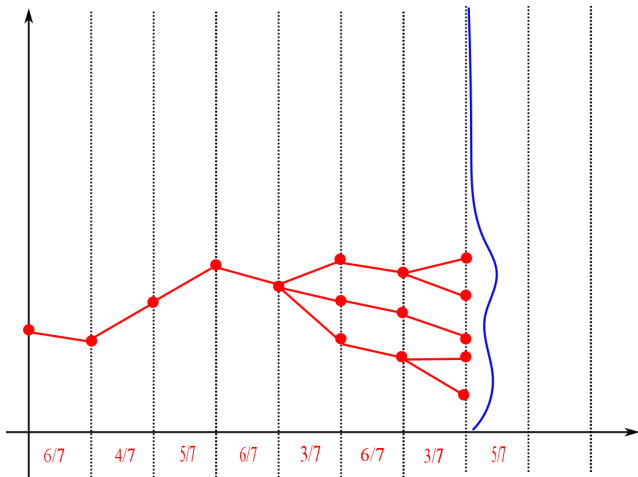


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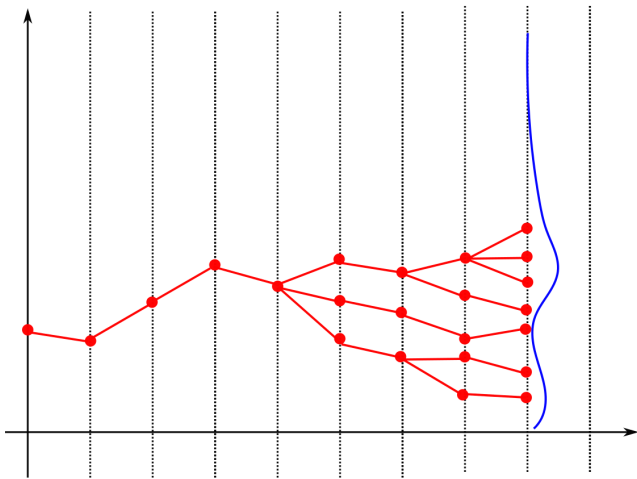




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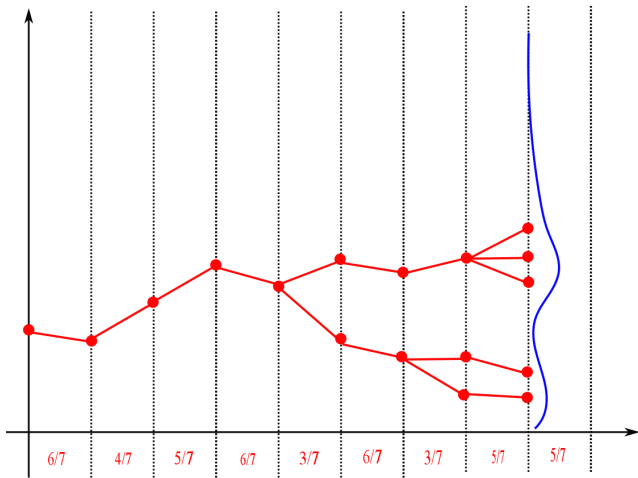
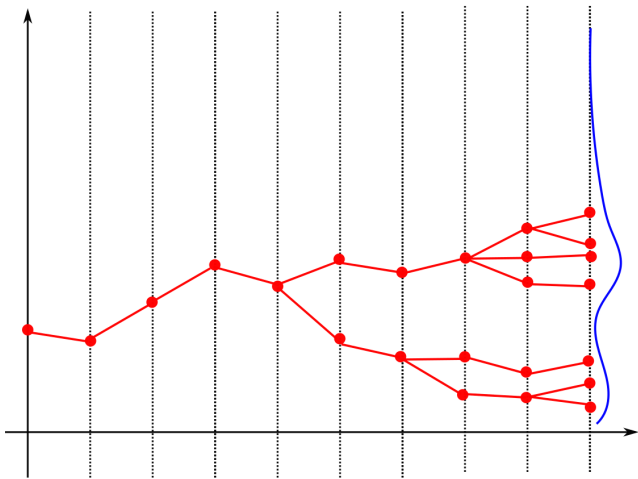


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## Some key advantages

- ▶ Mean field models = **Stochastic linearization/perturbation technique**

$$\eta_n^N = \eta_{n-1}^N K_{n, \eta_{n-1}^N} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} W_n^N$$

with (**Theorem**)  $W_n^N \simeq W_n$  **independent** centered Gaussian fields .

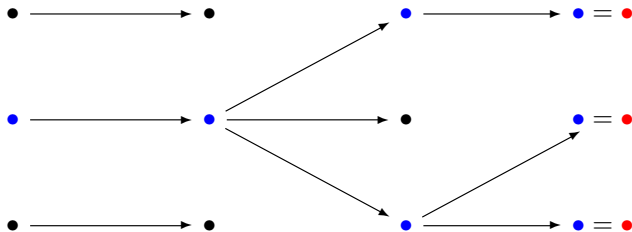
- ▶  $\eta_n = \eta_{n-1} K_{n, \eta_{n-1}}$  stable  $\Rightarrow$  Non propagation of local sampling errors

$\Rightarrow$  **Uniform control w.r.t. the time horizon**

- ▶ "No burning, no need to study the stability of MCMC models".
- ▶ Stochastic adaptive grid approximation
- ▶ Nonlinear system  $\rightsquigarrow$  positive - beneficial interactions.
- ▶ Simple and natural sampling algorithm.
- ▶ Local conditional iid samples  $\oplus$  Stability of nonlinear sg  
 $\rightsquigarrow$  **New concentration and empirical process theory**

# The 5 particle estimates

Genealogical tree evolution  $(N, n) = (3, 3)$

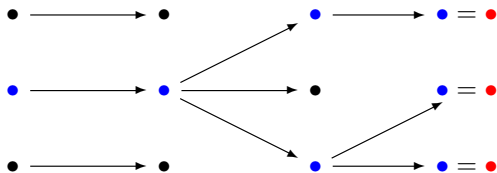


- Individuals in the current population ( $\simeq$  i.i.d.  $\eta_n$ )

$$\eta_n^N := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} \delta_{\xi_n^i} \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \eta_n = \text{solution of a nonlinear m.v.p.}$$

$$\bar{\mathbb{P}}_n^N = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} \delta_{(\xi_0^i, \xi_1^i, \dots, \xi_n^i)} \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \bar{\mathbb{P}}_n = \text{McKean measure.}$$

## Two more particle estimates



- ▶ **Ancestral lines** = *Almost* i.i.d. sampled paths w.r.t.  $\mathbb{Q}_n$ .

$(\xi_{0,n}^i, \xi_{1,n}^i, \dots, \xi_{n,n}^i) := i$ -th ancestral line of the  $i$ -th current individual =  $\xi_n^i$

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} \delta_{(\xi_{0,n}^i, \xi_{1,n}^i, \dots, \xi_{n,n}^i)} \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{Q}_n$$

- ▶ Unbiased particle free energy functions

$$\mathcal{Z}_n^N = \prod_{0 \leq p < n} \eta_p^N(G_p) \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{Z}_n = \prod_{0 \leq p < n} \eta_p(G_p)$$

... and the last particle measure

$$\mathbb{Q}_n^N(d(x_0, \dots, x_n)) := \eta_n^N(dx_n) \mathbb{M}_{n, \eta_{n-1}^N}(x_n, dx_{n-1}) \dots \mathbb{M}_{1, \eta_0^N}(x_1, dx_0)$$

with the random particle matrices:

$$\mathbb{M}_{n+1, \eta_n^N}(x_{n+1}, dx_n) \propto \eta_n^N(dx_n) H_{n+1}(x_n, x_{n+1})$$

*Example: Normalized additive functionals*

$$\mathbf{f}_n(x_0, \dots, x_n) = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{0 \leq p \leq n} f_p(x_p)$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\mathbb{Q}_n^N(\mathbf{f}_n) := \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{0 \leq p \leq n} \eta_n^N \underbrace{\mathbb{M}_{n, \eta_{n-1}^N} \dots \mathbb{M}_{p+1, \eta_p^N}}_{\text{matrix operations}}(f_p)$$

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# Current population models

Constants  $(c_1, c_2)$  related to (bias, variance),  $c$  universal constant

Test funct.  $\|f_n\| \leq 1, \forall (x \geq 0, n \geq 0, N \geq 1)$ .

- ▶ The probability of the event

$$[\eta_n^N - \eta_n](f) \leq \frac{c_1}{N} (1 + x + \sqrt{x}) + \frac{c_2}{\sqrt{N}} \sqrt{x}$$

is greater than  $1 - e^{-x}$ .

- ▶  $x = (x_i)_{1 \leq i \leq d} \rightsquigarrow (-\infty, x] = \prod_{i=1}^d (-\infty, x_i]$  cells in  $E_n = \mathbb{R}^d$ .

$$F_n(x) = \eta_n(1_{(-\infty, x]}) \quad \text{and} \quad F_n^N(x) = \eta_n^N(1_{(-\infty, x]})$$

The probability of the following event

$$\sqrt{N} \|F_n^N - F_n\| \leq c \sqrt{d(x+1)}$$

is greater than  $1 - e^{-x}$ .



## Particle free energy models

Constants  $(c_1, c_2)$  related to (bias, variance),  $c$  universal constant

$\forall (x \geq 0, n \geq 0, N \geq 1)$

- ▶ Unbiased property

$$\mathbb{E} \left( \eta_n^N(f_n) \prod_{0 \leq p < n} \eta_p^N(G_p) \right) = \mathbb{E} \left( f_n(X_n) \prod_{0 \leq p < n} G_p(X_p) \right)$$

- ▶ For any  $\epsilon \in \{+1, -1\}$ , the probability of the event

$$\frac{\epsilon}{n} \log \frac{Z_n^N}{Z_n} \leq \frac{c_1}{N} (1 + x + \sqrt{x}) + \frac{c_2}{\sqrt{N}} \sqrt{x}$$

is greater than  $1 - e^{-x}$ .

note  $(0 \leq \epsilon \leq 1 \Rightarrow (1 - e^{-\epsilon}) \vee (e^\epsilon - 1) \leq 2\epsilon)$

$$e^{-\epsilon} \leq \frac{z^N}{z} \leq e^\epsilon \Rightarrow \left| \frac{z^N}{z} - 1 \right| \leq 2\epsilon$$

# Genealogical tree models $:= \eta_n^N$ (in path space)

Constants  $(c_1, c_2)$  related to (bias, variance),  $c$  universal constant  
 $\mathbf{f}_n$  test function  $\|\mathbf{f}_n\| \leq 1, \forall (x \geq 0, n \geq 0, N \geq 1)$ .

- ▶ The probability of the event

$$[\eta_n^N - \mathbb{Q}_n](f) \leq c_1 \frac{n+1}{N} (1 + x + \sqrt{x}) + c_2 \sqrt{\frac{(n+1)}{N}} \sqrt{x}$$

is greater than  $1 - e^{-x}$ .

- ▶  $\mathcal{F}_n =$  indicator fct.  $\mathbf{f}_n$  of cells in  $\mathbf{E}_n = (\mathbb{R}^{d_0} \times \dots, \times \mathbb{R}^{d_n})$

The probability of the following event

$$\sup_{\mathbf{f}_n \in \mathcal{F}_n} |\eta_n^N(\mathbf{f}_n) - \mathbb{Q}_n(\mathbf{f}_n)| \leq c (n+1) \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{0 \leq p \leq n} d_p}{N}} (x+1)$$

is greater than  $1 - e^{-x}$ .

# Backward particle models

Constants  $(c_1, c_2)$  related to (bias, variance),  $c$  universal constant.

$\mathbf{f}_n$  normalized additive functional with  $\|f_p\| \leq 1, \forall (x \geq 0, n \geq 0, N \geq 1)$

- ▶ The probability of the event

$$[\mathbb{Q}_n^N - \mathbb{Q}_n](\bar{\mathbf{f}}_n) \leq c_1 \frac{1}{N} (1 + (x + \sqrt{x})) + c_2 \sqrt{\frac{x}{N(n+1)}}$$

- ▶  $\mathbf{f}_{a,n}$  normalized additive functional w.r.t.  $f_p = 1_{(-\infty, a]}$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{R}^d = E_n$

The probability of the following event

$$\sup_{a \in \mathbb{R}^d} |\mathbb{Q}_n^N(\mathbf{f}_{a,n}) - \mathbb{Q}_n(\mathbf{f}_{a,n})| \leq c \sqrt{\frac{d}{N}}(x+1)$$

is greater than  $1 - e^{-x}$ .