

Mean field simulation for Monte Carlo integration

Part II : Feynman-Kac models

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Universal adaptive & interacting sampling technique

Part I ↵ 2 types of stochastic interacting particle models:

- ▶ Diffusive particle models with mean field drifts
[McKean-Vlasov style]
- ▶ Interacting jump particle models
[Boltzmann & Feynman-Kac style]

Part II ⊂ Interacting jumps models



- ▶ Interacting jumps = Recycling transitions =
- ▶ Discrete generation models (\Leftrightarrow geometric jump times)



Equivalent particle algorithms

Sequential Monte Carlo	Sampling	Resampling
Particle Filters	Prediction	Updating
Genetic Algorithms	Mutation	Selection
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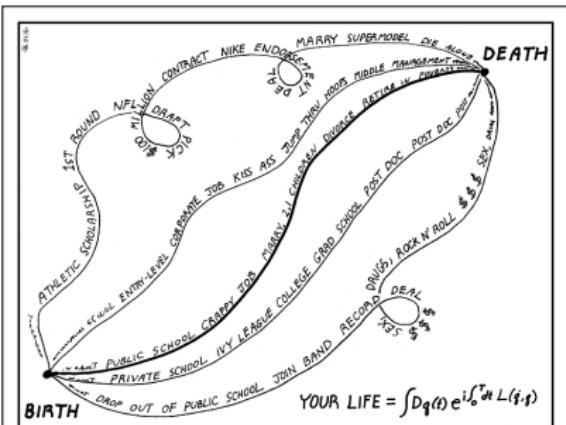
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More lively buzzwords:

Bootstrapping, spawning, cloning, pruning, replenish, cloning, splitting, condensation, resampled Monte Carlo, enrichment, go with the winner, subset simulation, rejection and weighting, look-a-head sampling, pilot exploration,..

A single stochastic model

Particle interpretation of Feynman-Kac path integrals



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Flow of n -marginals

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

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Evolution equations :

with M_n Markov trans. of X_n and $Q_{n+1}(x, dy) = G_n(x)M_{n+1}(x, dy)$

$$\gamma_{n+1} = \gamma_n Q_{n+1} \quad \text{and} \quad \eta_{n+1} = \Psi_{G_n}(\eta_n) M_{n+1}$$



The 3 keys formulae

- ▶ Time marginal measures = Path space measures:

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

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

- ▶ Normalizing constants (= Free energy models):

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

The last key

► Backward Markov models

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

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

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

then we find the backward equation

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

The last key (continued)

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

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Backward Markov chain model :

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

with the dual/backward Markov transitions

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

Stability properties

- Transition/Excursions/Path spaces

$$X_n = (X'_n, X'_{n+1}) \quad X_n = X'_{[T_n, T_{n+1}]} \quad X_n = (X'_0, \dots, X'_n)$$

- ⊂ Continuous time models ⊂ Langevin diffusions

$$X_n = X'_{[t_n, t_{n+1}]} \quad \& \quad G_n(X_n) = \exp \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} V_t(X'_t) dt$$

OR Euler schemes (Langevin diff. \rightsquigarrow Metropolis-Hastings moves)

OR Fully continuous time particle models \rightsquigarrow Schrödinger operators

$$\frac{d}{dt} \gamma_t(f) = \gamma_t(L_t^V(f)) \quad \text{with} \quad L_t^V = L'_t + V_t$$

Important observation:

$$\gamma_t(1) = \mathbb{E} \left(\exp \int_0^t V_s(X'_s) ds \right) = \exp \int_0^t \eta_s(V_s) ds \quad \text{with} \quad \eta_t = \gamma_t / \gamma_t(1)$$

Stability properties

- ▶ **Change of probability measures-Importance sampling (IS) - Sequential Monte Carlo methods (SMC) :**

For any target probability measures of the form

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{Q}_{n+1}(d(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1})) &\propto \mathbb{Q}_n(d(x_0, \dots, x_n)) \times Q_{n+1}(x_n, dx_{n+1}) \\ &\propto \eta_0(dx_0) Q_1(x_0, dx_1) \dots Q_{n+1}(x_n, dx_{n+1})\end{aligned}$$

and any Markov transition M'_{n+1} s.t. $Q_{n+1}(x_n, \cdot) \ll M'_{n+1}(x_n, \cdot)$

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Feynman-Kac model with $X_n = (X'_n, X'_{n+1})$

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- **Confinements:** X_n random walk $\in \mathbb{Z}^d \supset A$ & $G_n := 1_A$

$$\mathbb{Q}_n = \text{Law}((X_0, \dots, X_n) \mid X_p \in A, \forall 0 \leq p < n)$$

$$\mathcal{Z}_n = \text{Proba}(X_p \in A, \forall 0 \leq p < n)$$

- **SAW :** $X_n = (X'_p)_{0 \leq p \leq n}$ & $G_n(X_n) = 1_{X'_n \notin \{X'_0, \dots, X'_{n-1}\}}$

$$\mathbb{Q}_n = \text{Law}((X'_0, \dots, X'_n) \mid X'_p \neq X'_q, \forall 0 \leq p < q < n)$$

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Multilevel splitting

Decreasing level sets $A_n \downarrow$, with B non critical recurrent subset.

$$T_n := \inf \{t \geq T_{n-1} : X'_t \in (A_n \cup B)\}$$

Excursion valued Feynman-Kac model:

$$X_n = (X'_t)_{t \in [T_n, T_{n+1}]} \quad \& \quad G_n(X_n) = 1_{A_{n+1}}(X'_{T_{n+1}})$$



$$\mathbb{Q}_n = \text{Law}\left(X'_{[T_0, T_n]} \mid X' \text{ hits } A_{n-1} \text{ before } B\right)$$

$$\mathcal{Z}_n = \mathbb{P}(X' \text{ hits } A_{n-1} \text{ before } B)$$

Absorbing Markov chains

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

$$\mathbb{Q}_n = \text{Law}((X_0^c, \dots, X_n^c) \mid T^{\text{abs.}} \geq n) \quad \& \quad \mathcal{Z}_n = \text{Proba}(T^{\text{abs.}} \geq n)$$

Quasi-invariant measures : $(G_n, M_n) = (G, M)$ & M μ -reversible

$$\frac{1}{n} \log \mathbb{P}(T^{\text{abs.}} \geq n) \simeq_{n \uparrow \infty} \lambda \quad = \text{top spect. of } Q(x, dy) = G(x)M(x, dy)$$

[Frobenius theo] $Q(h) = \lambda h = \lambda \times \text{eigenfunction (ground state)}$

$$\mathbb{P}(X_n^c \in dx \mid T^{\text{abs.}} > n) \simeq_{n \uparrow \infty} \frac{1}{\mu(h)} h(x) \mu(dx)$$

Doob h -processes X^h

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

with

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

- **Invariant measure** $\mu_h = \mu_h M^h$ & **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 $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$** $\rightsquigarrow f := \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log G^\theta$

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

Gradient of Markov semigroups

$$X_{n+1}(x) = \mathcal{F}_n(X_n(x), W_n) \quad (X_0(x) = x \in \mathbb{R}^d) \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad P_n(f)(x) := \mathbb{E}(f(X_n(x)))$$

First variational equation

$$\frac{\partial X_{n+1}}{\partial x}(x) = A_n(x, W_n) \frac{\partial X_n}{\partial x}(x) \quad \text{with} \quad A_n^{(i,j)}(x, w) = \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}_n^i(\cdot, w)}{\partial x^j}(x)$$

Random process on the sphere $U_0 = u_0 \in \mathbb{S}^{d-1}$

$$U_{n+1} = A_n(X_n, W_n) U_n / \|A_n(X_n, W_n) U_n\| = \frac{\frac{\partial X_n}{\partial x}(x) \ u_0}{\left\| \frac{\partial X_n}{\partial x}(x) \ u_0 \right\|}$$

Feynman-Kac model $\mathcal{X}_n = (X_n, U_n, W_n)$ & $\mathcal{G}_n(x, u, w) = \|A_n(x, w) \ u\|$

$$\nabla P_{n+1}(f)(x) \ u_0 = \mathbb{E} \left(\underbrace{F(\mathcal{X}_{n+1})}_{\nabla f(X_{n+1}) \ U_{n+1}} \underbrace{\prod_{0 \leq p \leq n} \mathcal{G}_p(\mathcal{X}_p)}_{\left\| \frac{\partial X_p}{\partial x}(x) \ u_0 \right\|} \right)$$

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or in terms of killing-absorption models

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\Downarrow

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$$N \mathbb{E} \left(\left[\frac{\mathcal{Z}_n^N}{\mathcal{Z}_n} - 1 \right]^2 \right) = \frac{1 - \mathcal{Z}_n}{\mathcal{Z}_n}$$

$$\simeq \text{Proba}(X_p \in A, \forall 0 \leq p < n)^{-1} = \mathbb{P}(T \geq n)^{-1}$$

Our objective

Find an unbiased estimate \mathcal{Z}_n^N s.t.

$$N \mathbb{E} \left(\left[\frac{\mathcal{Z}_n^N}{\mathcal{Z}_n} - 1 \right]^2 \right) \leq c \times n$$

using the multiplicative formula

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

And estimating/Learning each (larger) terms in the product

$$\eta_p(G_p) \simeq \eta_p^N(G_p) \quad \text{with} \quad \eta_p^N = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} \delta_{\xi_n^i}$$

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Flow of n -marginals [X_n Markov with transitions M_n]

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$$\Updownarrow (\gamma_n(1) = \mathcal{Z}_n)$$

Nonlinear evolution equation :

$$\begin{aligned}\eta_{n+1} &= \Psi_{G_n}(\eta_n) M_{n+1} \\ \mathcal{Z}_{n+1} &= \eta_n(G_n) \times \mathcal{Z}_n\end{aligned}$$



Nonlinear m.v.p. = Law of a Markov \bar{X}_n (perfect sampler)

$$\begin{aligned}\eta_{n+1} &= \Phi_{n+1}(\eta_n) \\ &= \eta_n(S_{n,\eta_n} M_{n+1}) = \eta_n K_{n+1,\eta_n} = \text{Law}(\bar{X}_{n+1})\end{aligned}$$

Examples related to product models

$$\eta_n(dx) := \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}_n} \left\{ \prod_{p=0}^n h_p(x) \right\} \lambda(dx) \quad \text{with} \quad h_p \geq 0$$

2 illustrations:

$$h_p(x) = e^{-(\beta_{p+1} - \beta_p)V(x)} \quad \beta_p \uparrow \implies \eta_n(dx) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}_n} e^{-\beta_n V(x)} \lambda(dx)$$

$$h_p(x) = 1_{A_{p+1}}(x) \quad A_p \downarrow \implies \eta_n(dx) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}_n} 1_{A_n}(x) \lambda(dx)$$

For any MCMC transitions M_n with target η_n , we have

$$\eta_{n+1} = \eta_{n+1} M_{n+1} = \Psi_{h_{n+1}}(\eta_n) M_{n+1} \subset \text{Feynman-Kac model}$$

Mean field particle model

McKean Markov chain model

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



Markov chain $\xi_n = (\xi_n^i)_{1 \leq i \leq N} \in E_n^N$

$$\xi_n^i \rightsquigarrow \xi_{n+1}^i \sim K_{n+1, \eta_n^N}(\xi_n^i, dx) \quad \text{with} \quad \eta_n^N = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} \delta_{\xi_n^i}$$

and the (unbiased) particle normalizing constants

$$\mathcal{Z}_{n+1}^N = \eta_n^N(G_n) \times \mathcal{Z}_n^N = \prod_{0 \leq p \leq n} \eta_p^N(G_p)$$

Mean field particle model

Mean field FK simulation $\xi_n^i \rightsquigarrow \xi_{n+1}^i \sim K_{n+1, \eta_n^N} = S_{n, \eta_n^N} M_{n+1}$



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G_n -acceptance-rejection with recycling \oplus M_{n+1} -propositions

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\rightsquigarrow Reconfiguration Monte Carlo (particles \rightsquigarrow walkers) (QMC)

(Selection, Mutation) = (Reconfiguration, exploration)

Continuous time Feynman-Kac particle models

Master equation

$$\eta_t(\cdot) = \frac{\gamma_t(\cdot)}{\gamma_t(1)} = \text{Law}(\bar{X}_t) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{d}{dt} \eta_t(f) = \eta_t(L_{t,\eta_t}(f))$$

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(ex. : $V_t = -U_t \leq 0$)

$$L_{t,\eta_t}(f)(x) = \underbrace{L'_t(f)(x)}_{\text{free exploration}} + \underbrace{U_t(x)}_{\text{acceptance rate}} \int (f(y) - f(x)) \underbrace{\eta_t(dy)}_{\text{interacting jump law}}$$

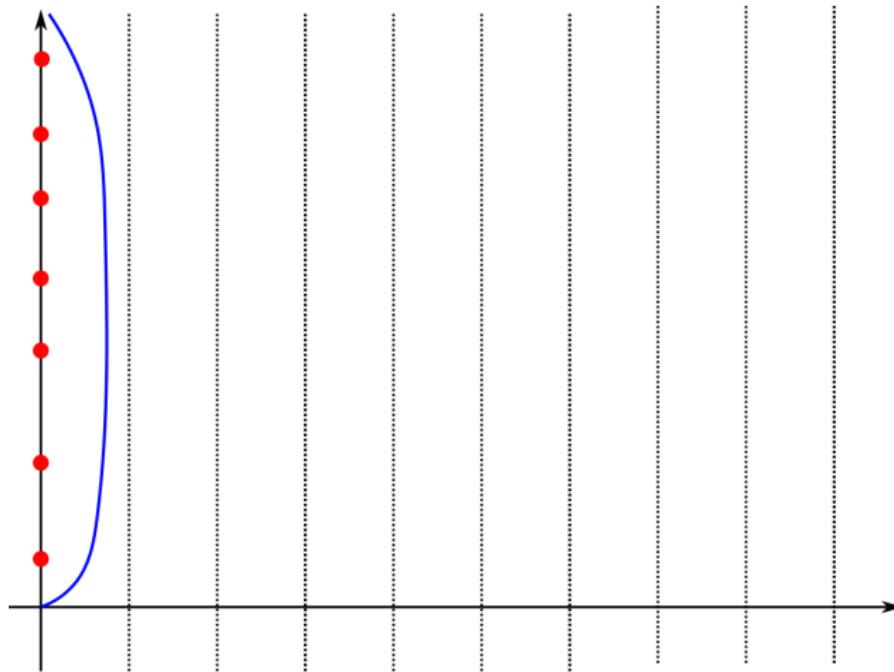
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$$L_{t,\eta_t}(f) = \underbrace{L'_t(f) - U_t f}_{\text{Schrödinger's op.}} + \underbrace{U_t \eta_t(f)}_{\text{normalizing-stabilizing term}}$$

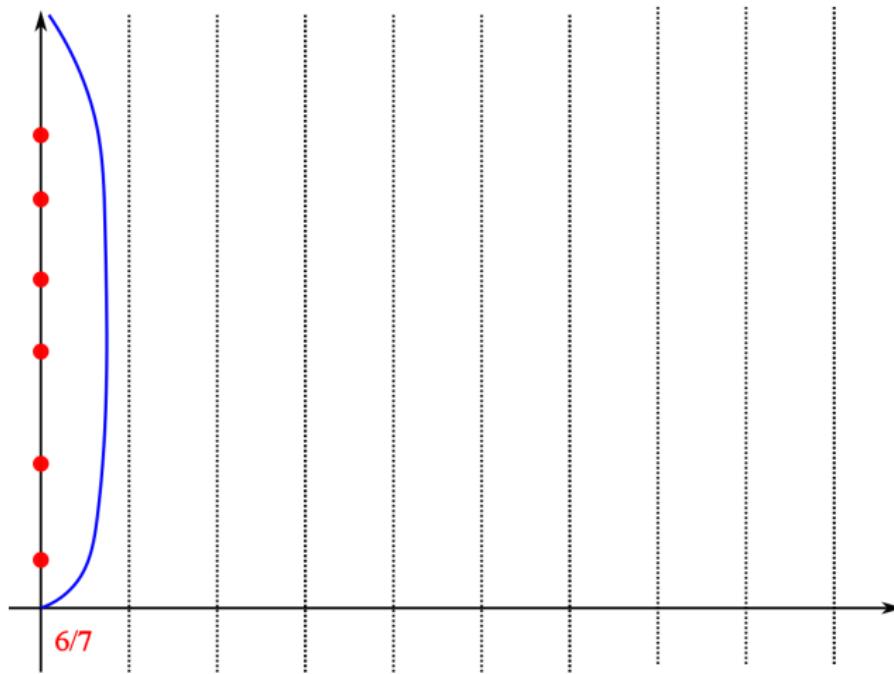
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Particle model: Survival-acceptance rates \oplus Recycling jumps

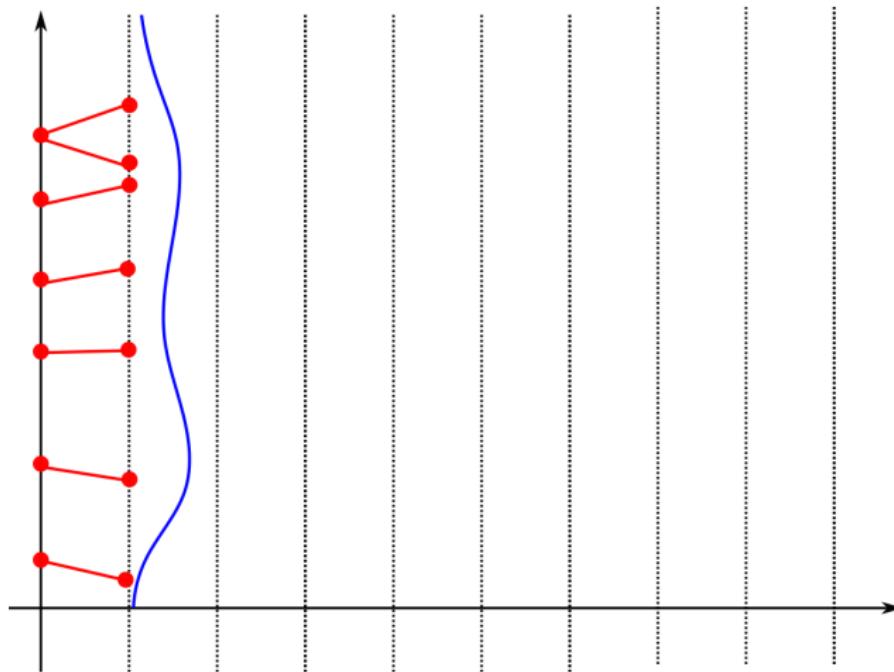
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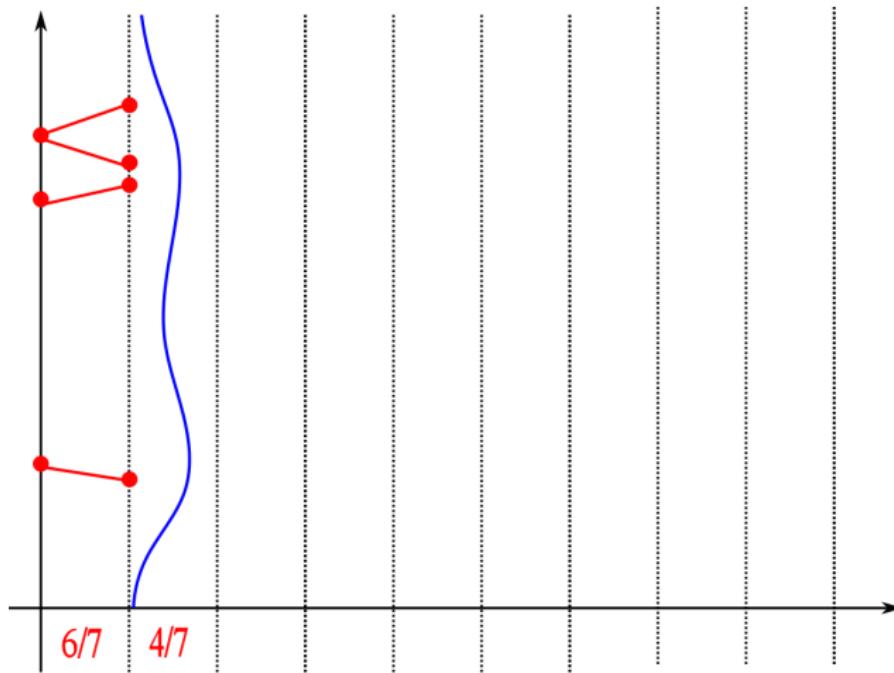
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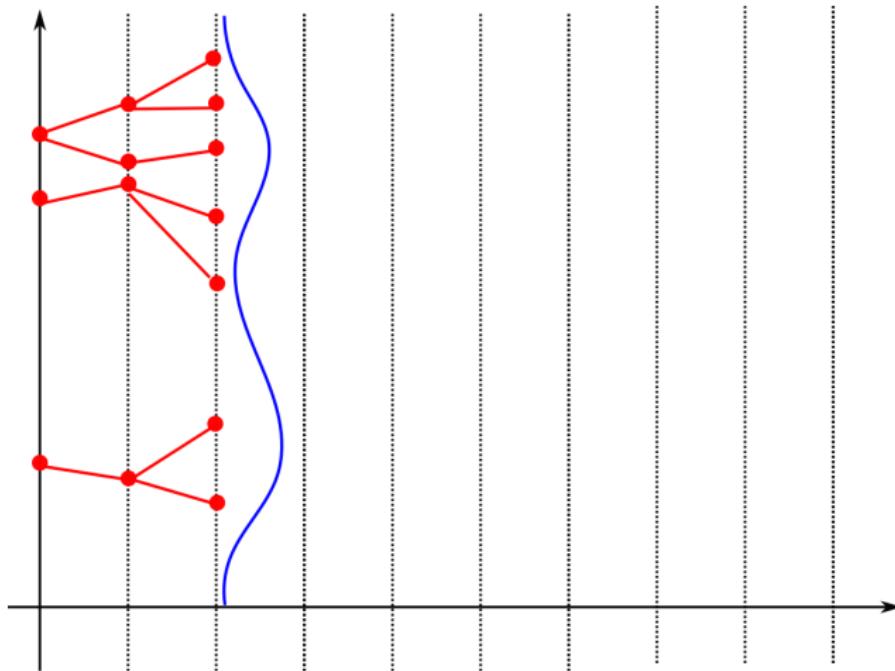
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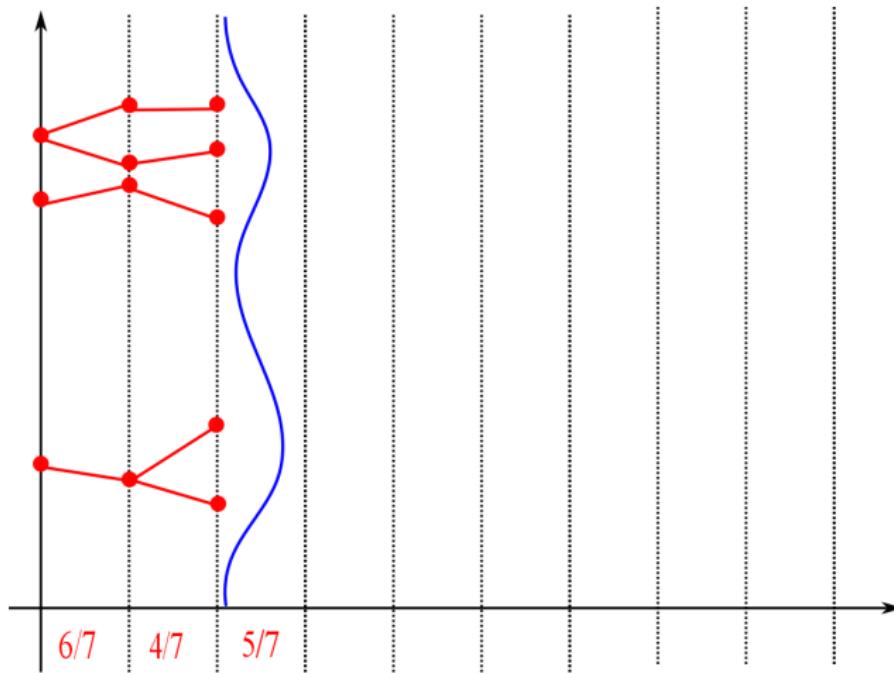
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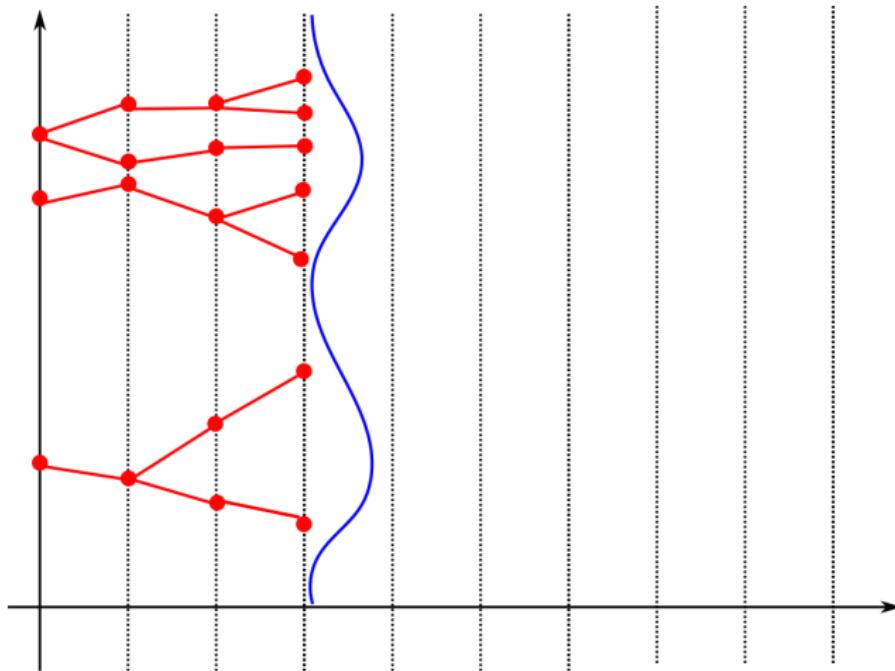
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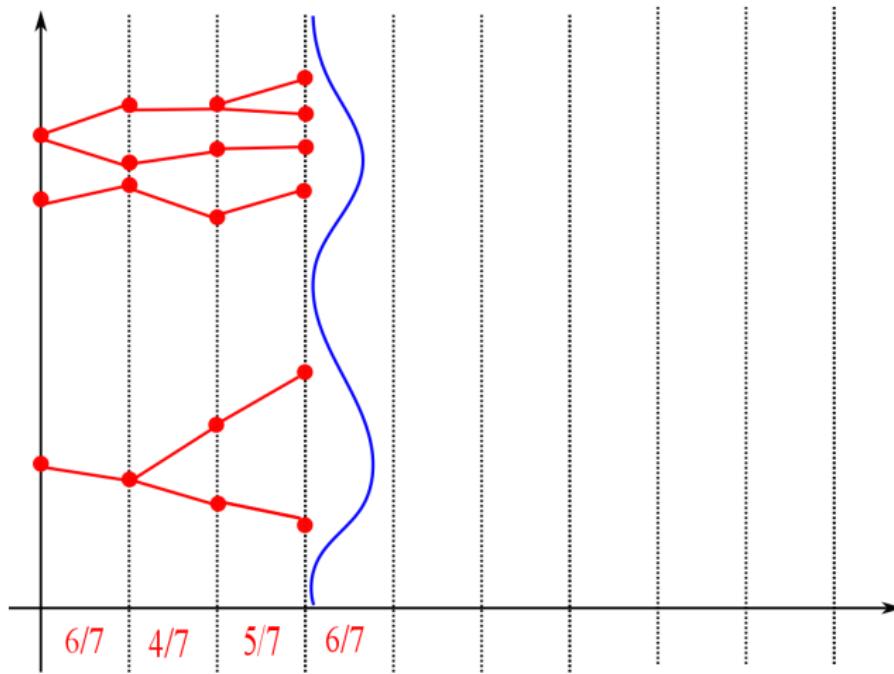
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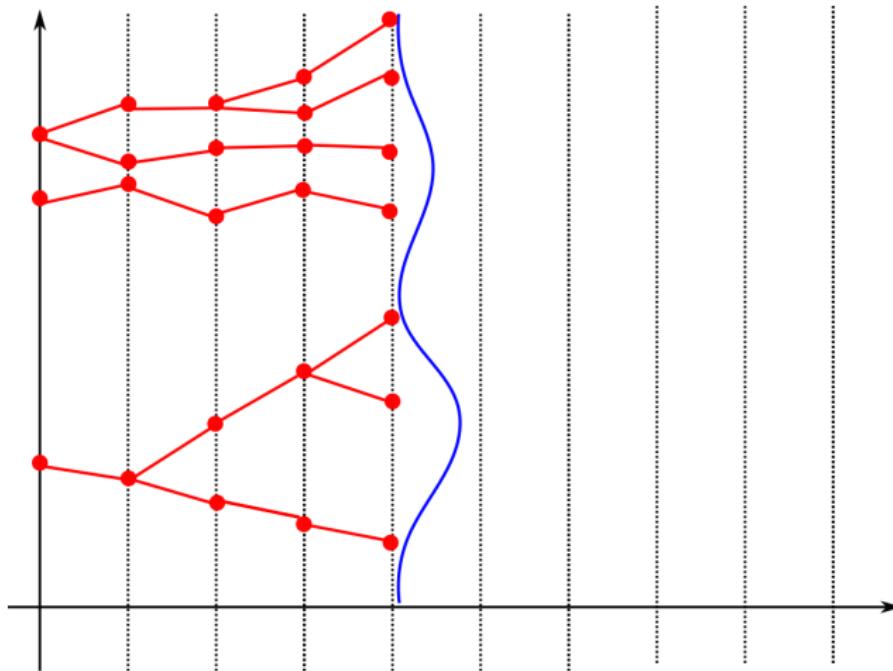
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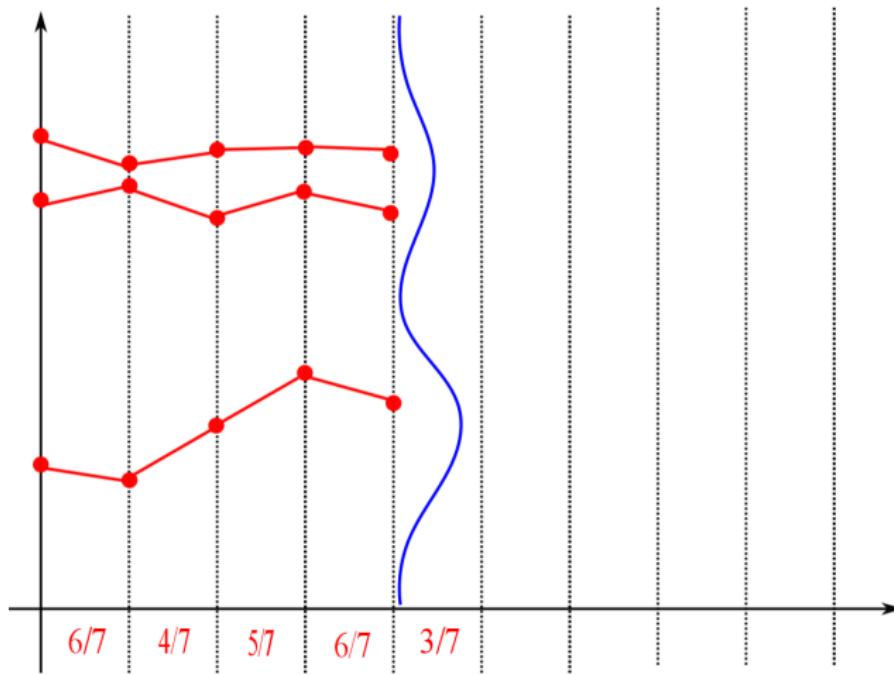
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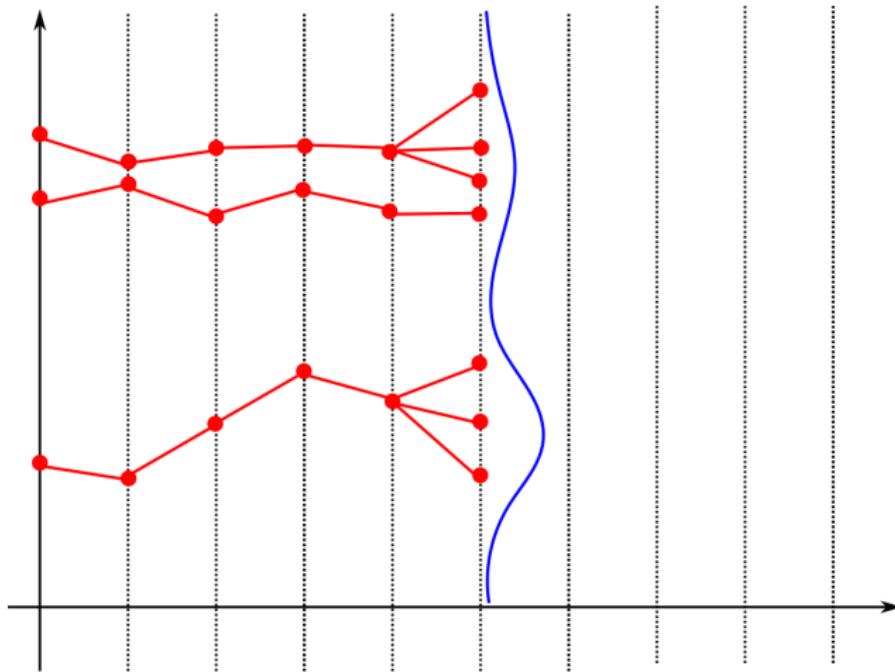
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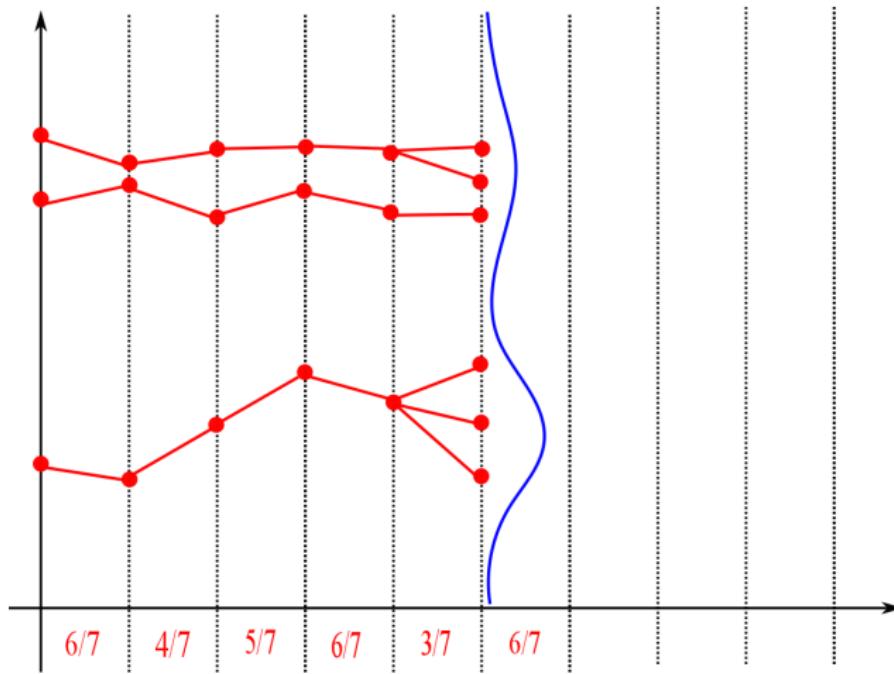
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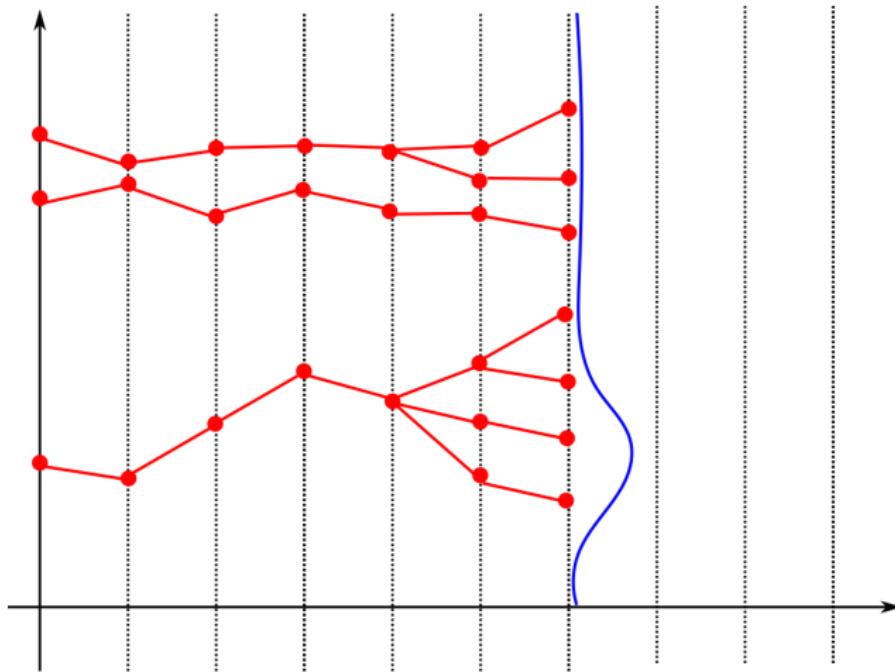
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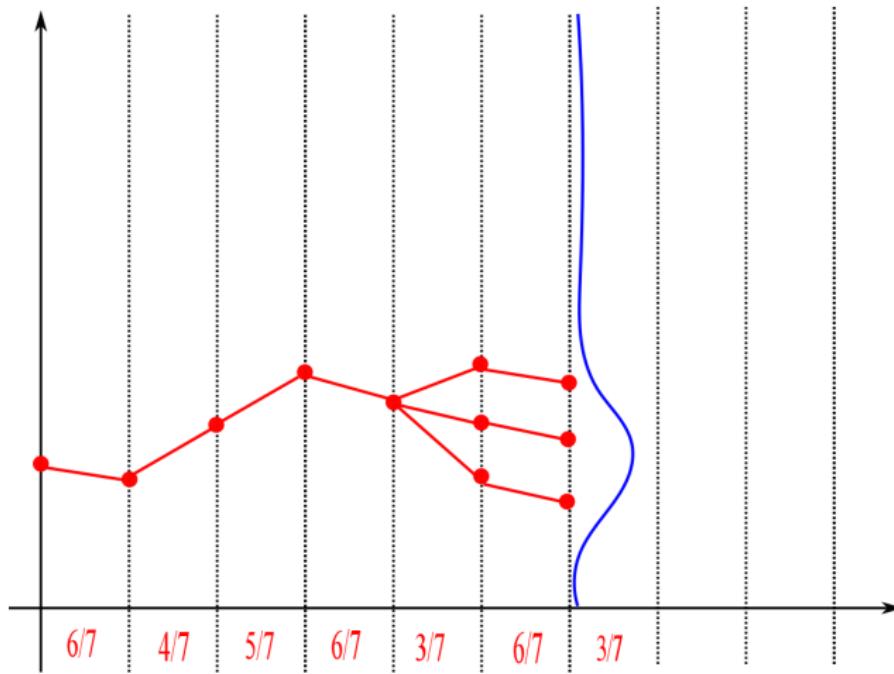
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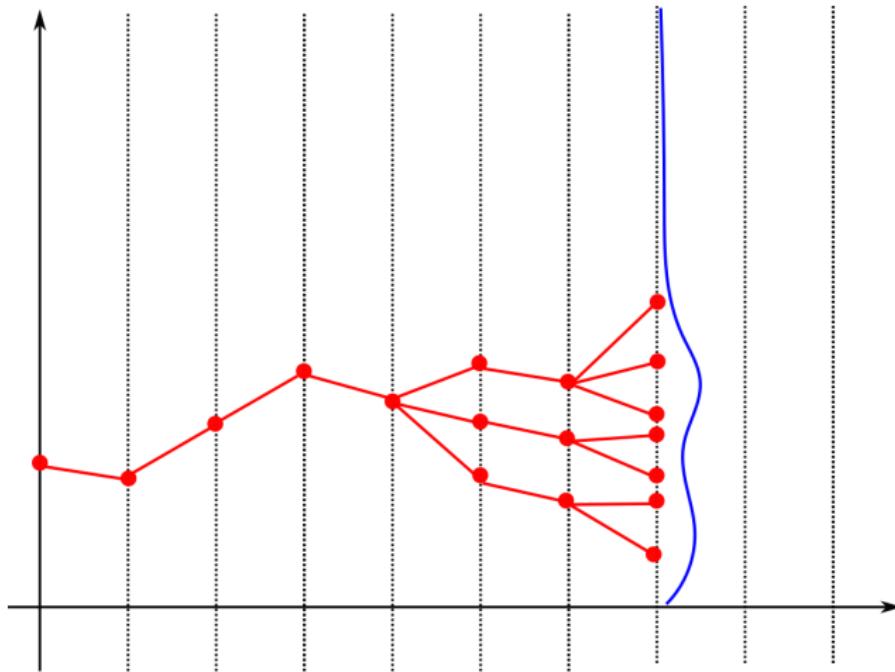
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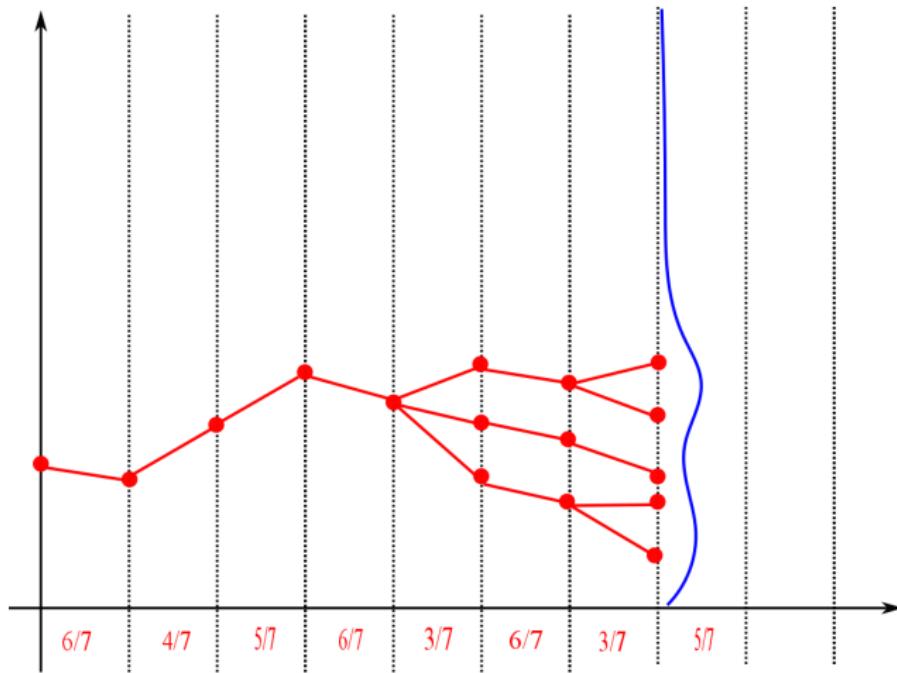
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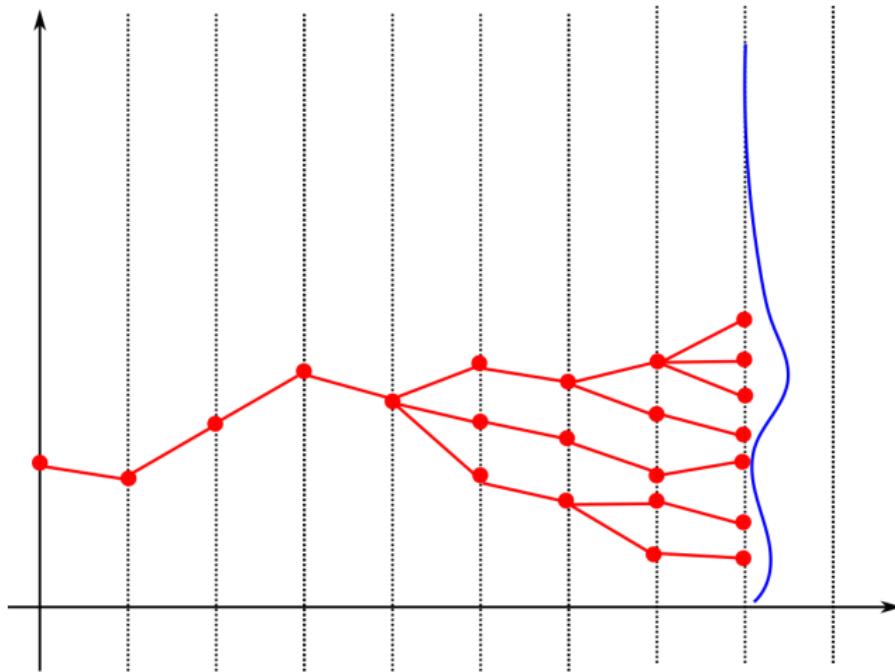
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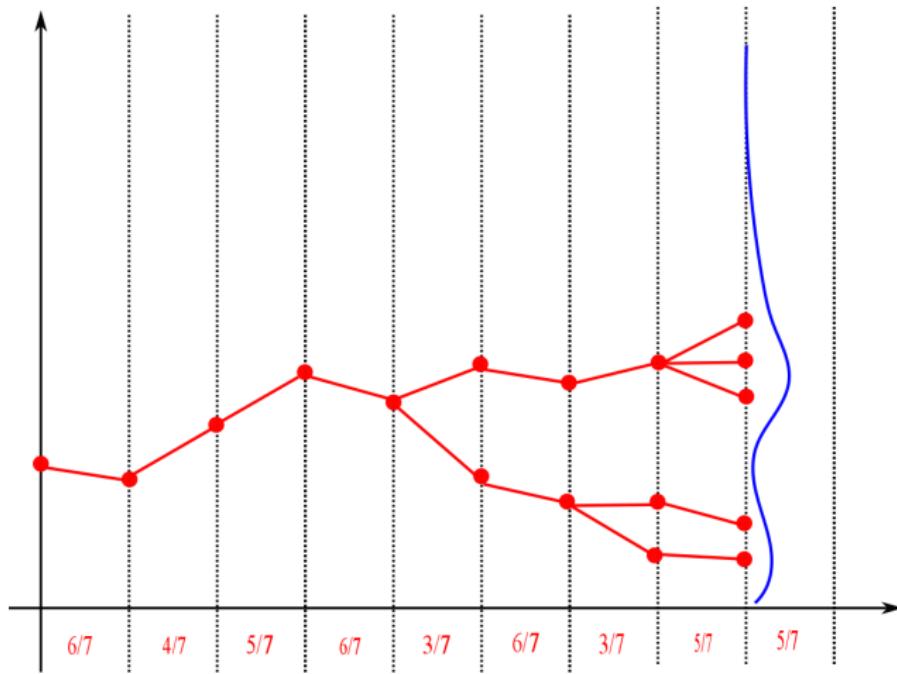
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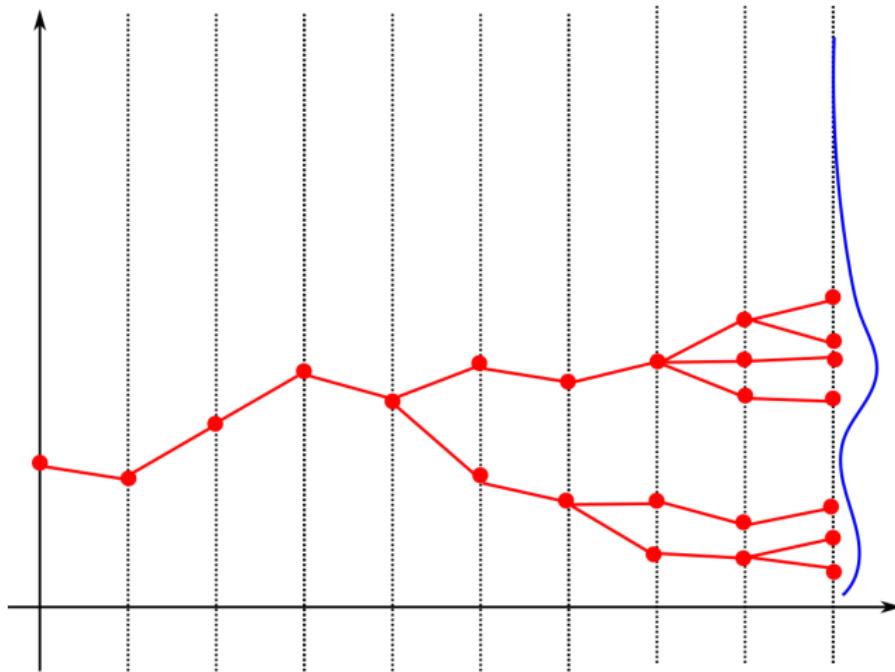
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Ex.: Additive functionals $\mathbf{f}_n(x_0, \dots, x_n) = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{0 \leq p \leq n} f_p(x_p)$

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

4 particle estimates

- Individuals ξ_n^i "almost" iid with law

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

- Path space models \rightsquigarrow Ancestral lines "almost" iid with law

$$\mathbb{Q}_n \simeq \eta_n^{\textcolor{blue}{N}} := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} \delta_{\text{Ancestral line}_n(i)}$$

- Backward particle model

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

- Normalizing constants

$$\mathcal{Z}_{n+1} = \prod_{0 \leq p \leq n} \eta_p(G_p) \simeq_{N \uparrow \infty} \mathcal{Z}_{n+1}^{\textcolor{red}{N}} = \prod_{0 \leq p \leq n} \eta_p^{\textcolor{red}{N}}(G_p) \quad (\text{Unbiased})$$

Island models

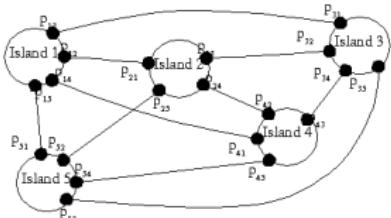


Fig. 3.4 Schematic of a genetic algorithm using island migration

Reminder : the unbiased property

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E} \left(f_n(\mathbf{X}_n) \prod_{0 \leq p < n} G_p(\mathbf{X}_p) \right) &= \mathbb{E} \left(\eta_n^N(f_n) \prod_{0 \leq p < n} \eta_p^N(G_p) \right) \\ &= \mathbb{E} \left(F_n(\mathcal{X}_n) \prod_{0 \leq p < n} \mathcal{G}_p(\mathcal{X}_p) \right)\end{aligned}$$

with the Island evolution Markov chain model

$$\mathcal{X}_n := \eta_n^N \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{G}_n(\mathcal{X}_n) = \eta_n^N(\mathbf{G}_n) = \mathcal{X}_n(\mathbf{G}_n)$$

\Rightarrow particle model with $(\mathcal{X}_n, \mathcal{G}_n(\mathcal{X}_n)) =$ Interacting Island particle model

Some key advantages

- ▶ Mean field models = Stochastic linearization/perturbation technique

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

with $V_n^N \simeq V_n$ independent centered Gaussian fields .

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

\implies 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

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Current population models

Constants (c_1, c_2) related to (bias, variance), c finite constant
Test functions/observables $\|f_n\| \leq 1, \forall (x \geq 0, n \geq 0, N \geq 1)$.

When $E_n = \mathbb{R}^d$:

$$F_n(y) := \eta_n(1_{(-\infty, y]}) \quad \text{and} \quad F_n^N(y) := \eta_n^N(1_{(-\infty, y]}) \quad \text{with } y \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

The probability of any of the following events is greater than $1 - e^{-x}$.

$$|\eta_n^N - \eta_n|(f_n) \leq \frac{c_1}{N} (1 + x + \sqrt{x}) + \frac{c_2}{\sqrt{N}} \sqrt{x}$$

$$\sup_{0 \leq p \leq n} |[\eta_p^N - \eta_p](f_p)| \leq c \sqrt{x \log(n+e)/N}$$

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

Particle free energy/Genealogical tree models

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

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$$\left| \frac{1}{n} \log \mathcal{Z}_n^N - \frac{1}{n} \log \mathcal{Z}_n \right| \leq \frac{c_1}{N} (1 + x + \sqrt{x}) + \frac{c_2}{\sqrt{N}} \sqrt{x}$$

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

with $\eta_n^{\mathbf{N}}$ = Genealogical tree models := η_n^N (in path space)

Backward particle models

Constants (c_1, c_2) related to (bias, variance), c finite constant.
For any normalized additive functional \mathbf{f}_n with $\|\mathbf{f}_n\| \leq 1$, \forall
($x \geq 0, n \geq 0, N \geq 1$)

The probability of the following event is greater than $1 - e^{-x}$

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