

Numerical integration : Monte-Carlo method

multi-dimensional integrals

$$\textcircled{I} = \frac{1}{V} \int_V d^D x f(\vec{x})$$

D -dimensional space

$$\underline{D \gg 1}$$

$$\vec{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_D)$$

Ex. Statistical physics

ensemble of N particles in 3d

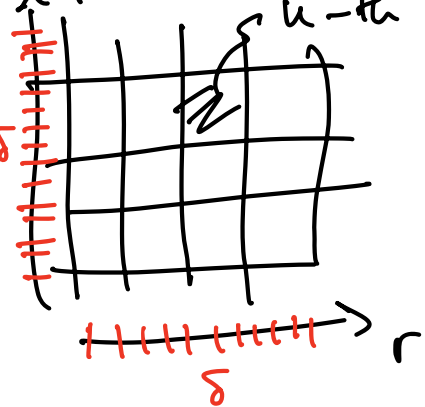
$$\rightarrow \{ \vec{r}_i, \vec{p}_i \} = \vec{x} \quad D = 6N$$

$$I = \int \underbrace{O(\{ \vec{r}_i, \vec{p}_i \})}_{\downarrow} d^{3N+3N} \text{ phase space } = \int \prod_{i=1}^N d^3 r_i d^3 p_i O(\{ \vec{r}_i, \vec{p}_i \}) e^{-\beta H}$$

$$H = H(\{ \vec{r}_i, \vec{p}_i \})$$

$$\int \prod_{i=1}^N d^3 r_i d^3 p_i e^{-\beta H}$$

$$\beta = \frac{1}{k_B T}$$



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$$\frac{\prod_{u=1}^L \mathcal{O}(\{\vec{r}_i^{(u)}, \vec{p}_i^{(u)}\})}{\sum_u e^{-\beta H}} e^{-\beta H(\vec{r}_i^{(u)}, \vec{p}_i^{(u)})}$$

$$P = \frac{V}{\delta^{6N}}$$

$$= V e^{(-\log \delta) N} \sim (\exp(N))$$

(log δ < 0)

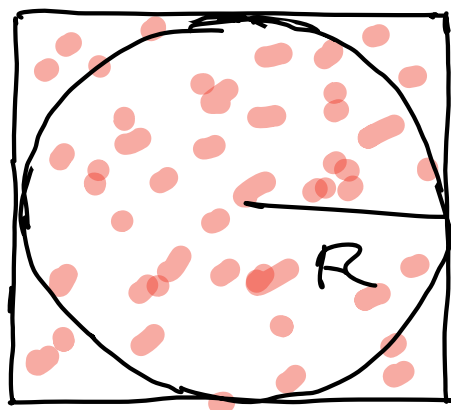
STRATEGY:

Estimate I with some finite precision using
random numbers

"stochastic methods"

Estimating π

3.1416...



$$A_o = \pi R^2$$

$$A_{\square} = 4R^2$$

$$\frac{A_o}{A_{\square}} = \pi$$

$$\frac{N_o}{N_{\square}} \approx \pi$$

$$\phi = \frac{A_0}{A_{\Pi}}$$

$$P(m, M) \xrightarrow{\text{tot. \# of drops}} = \binom{M}{m} p^m (1-p)^{M-m}$$

of drops in $\square$

$$\langle m \rangle_p = pM$$

$$\sigma_{m/M}^2 = \frac{\langle m^2 \rangle}{M^2} - \frac{\langle m \rangle^2}{M^2} = M \frac{p(1-p)}{M^2}$$

$$p \rightarrow \frac{m}{M} = \frac{N_0}{N_{\square}}$$

$$\sigma_{m/M}^2 = \frac{\sigma_m^2}{M^2} = \frac{p(1-p)}{M}$$

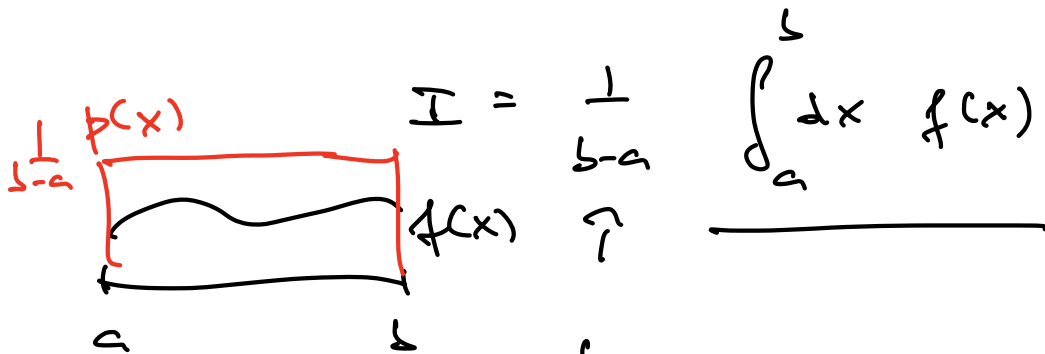
$$\rightarrow \sigma_{m/M} \approx \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{M}} \sim \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{M}} \right)$$

$$u \pm e$$

$$M \sim \frac{1}{e^2}$$

Random sampling for numerical integration

one-dimensional integral



$$= \int_a^b dx \, p(x) \quad f(x) = \langle f \rangle_p$$

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$$p(x) = \frac{1}{b-a}$$

generate a sample $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_M$

$$I_M = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M f(x_i) \stackrel{M \rightarrow \infty}{\simeq} \langle f \rangle_p = I$$

if $\{x_i\}$ is generated according to $p(x)$

$|I_M - I|$ How does it depend on M ?

x_i : equally distributed independent
are $\vee$ random variables $(p(x))$

$f(x_i)$ $\vee$ $\vee$

$I_M =$ sum of random variables

central limit theorem

σ_f^2 is the variance of $f(x_i) = f_i$

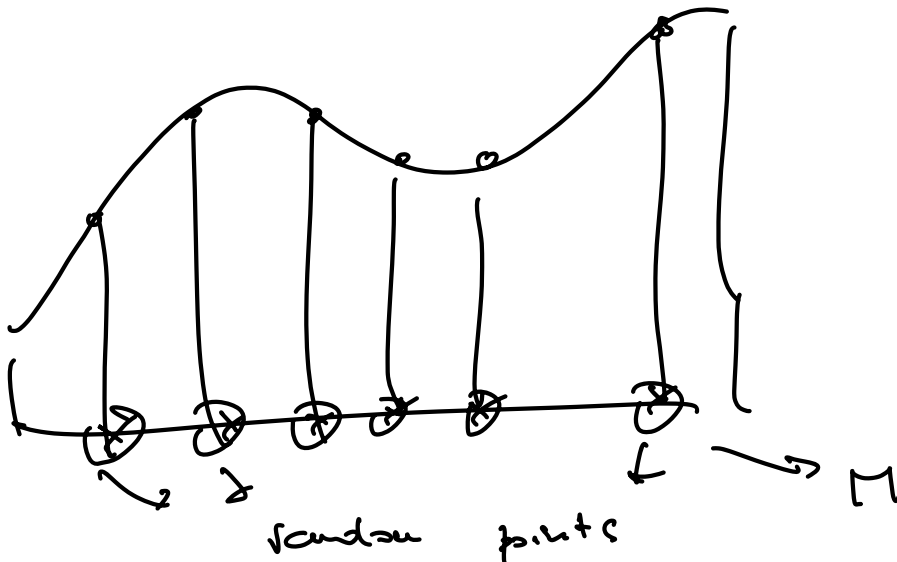
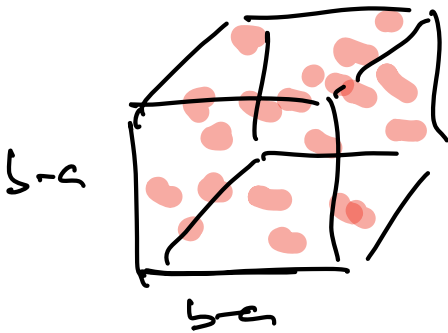
$$\rightarrow \sigma_{\bar{f}_M}^2 = \frac{M \sigma_f^2}{M^2} = \frac{\sigma_f^2}{M}$$

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$$\bar{f}_M = \bar{f} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M f_i$$

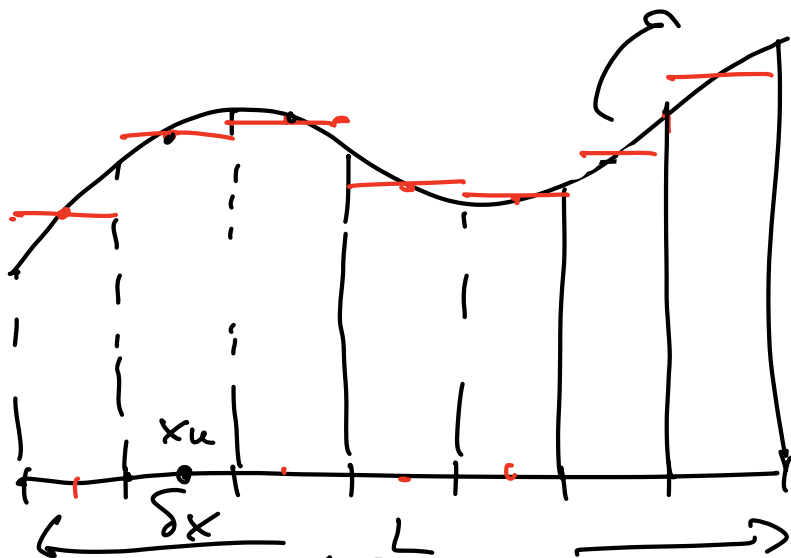
$$|\bar{f}_M - \bar{f}| \sim \sigma_{\bar{f}_M} \sim \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{M}}\right)$$

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random sampling

mid-point method



$$I_M - I = \sum_{u=1}^M \left[\Delta x f(x_u) - \int_{x_u - \Delta x/2}^{x_u + \Delta x/2} dx f(x) \right]$$

$$= \sum_u \left[\Delta x \cancel{f(x_u)} - \cancel{f(x_u)} \Delta x - \int_{x_u - \Delta x/2}^{x_u + \Delta x/2} dx f'(x_u) (x - x_u) dx \right]$$

$$- \frac{1}{2} \int dx f''(x_u) (x - x_u)^2 dx + \dots$$

$$\propto (\Delta x^3)$$

$$\sim \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^3) \quad \sim \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{M^2}\right)$$

$$\Delta x \approx \frac{L}{M}$$

$$I = \frac{1}{V} \int d^D x f(\vec{x})$$

$$\frac{I_M - I}{M} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{k=1}^M \left[f(\vec{x}_k) (\delta x)^D - \int d^D x f(\vec{x}) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{M} \sum_k \left[\cancel{f(\vec{x}_k) (\delta x)^D} - \cancel{f(\vec{x}_k) (\delta x)^D} - \int_{V_k} \frac{1}{D} f(\vec{x}_k) \cdot \underbrace{(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_k)}_{\|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_k\|} \cdot \underbrace{d^D x}_{\delta x^D} + \dots \right]$$

$\mathcal{O}(\delta x)^{D+k} \quad k \geq 1$

$$(\delta x)^D = \frac{V}{M}$$

$$\delta x = \left(\frac{V}{M} \right)^{1/D}$$

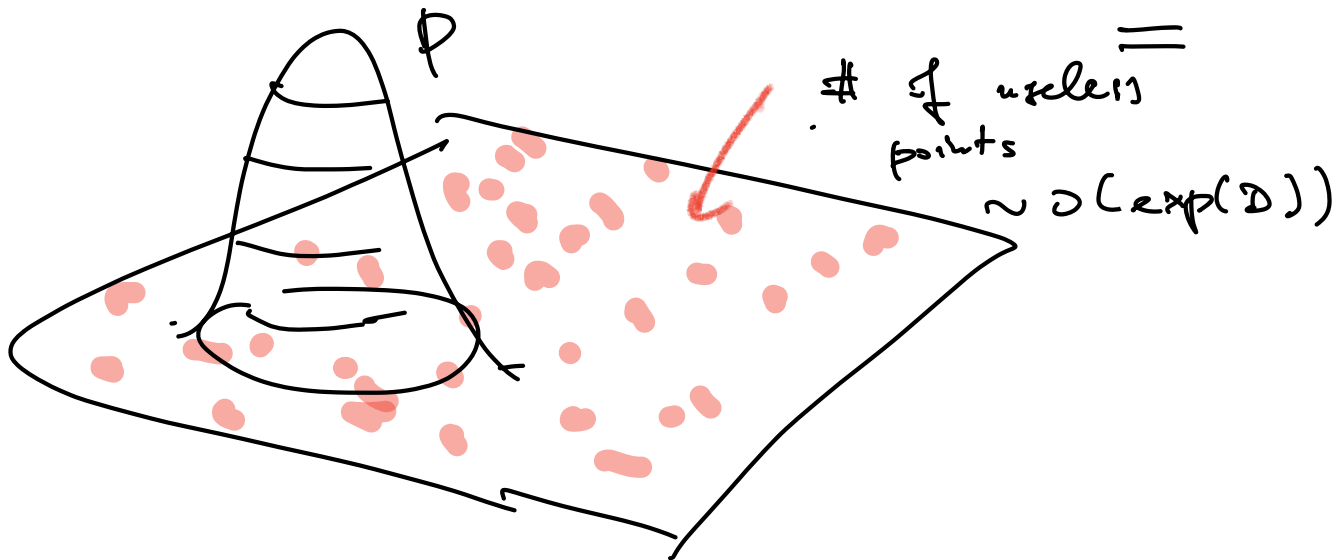
$$I_M - I \sim M \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{M^{1+\frac{k}{D}}}\right) = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{M^{k/D}}\right)$$

$D \gg 1$ if $\frac{k}{D} < \frac{1}{2}$

random sampling wins?

Random sampling

$$|\bar{I}_M - I| \sim O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{M}}\right)$$



a way not to waste too many points :
generate them with "importance sampling"

Need to have a devis distribution $p(\vec{x})$
(not flat)

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \frac{1}{V} \int d^D x f(\vec{x}) \\ &= \int d^D x \left[\frac{1}{V} \frac{f(\vec{x})}{p(\vec{x})} \right] p(\vec{x}) \\ &\quad \left(\frac{f(\vec{x})}{p(\vec{x})} \text{ is normalized} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \langle g \rangle_p$$

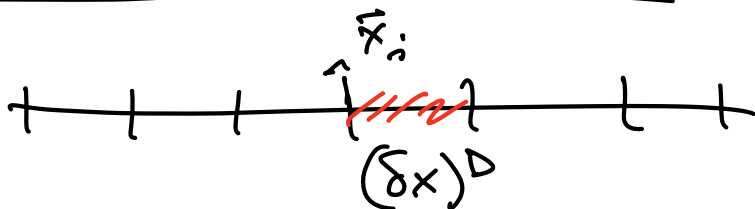
p is taken so as to have significant weight where f has significant weight

Generate points $\vec{x}_n$ distributed according to $p(\vec{x})$

$\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_n, \dots, \vec{x}_m$

of times that $\vec{x}_n$ appears in the sequence is $\sim p(\vec{x}_n)$

"Rejection Monte Carlo"



1) draw $\vec{x}_i$ at random ↙

2) $p(\vec{x}_i)(\delta x)^D = p_0$

3) draw a random number $z \in [0, 1]$

4) if $z < p_0 \rightarrow$ accept the point in the sample

otherwise do nothing



after some time: M successful extractions

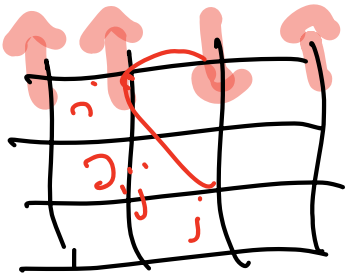
$$\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_M$$

Think about a statistical sums
for simple variable

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \vec{x} & \rightarrow & \vec{\sigma} = (\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_D) \\ \downarrow & & \uparrow \\ (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_D) & & \sigma_i = \pm 1 \quad \text{Ising variable} \end{array}$$

$$\langle \mathcal{O}(\vec{\sigma}) \rangle = \frac{\sum_{\vec{\sigma}} \mathcal{O}(\vec{\sigma}) e^{-\beta \mathcal{H}(\vec{\sigma})}}{\sum_{\vec{\sigma}} e^{-\beta \mathcal{H}(\vec{\sigma})}} \quad p(\vec{\sigma})$$

$$\mathcal{H}(\vec{\sigma}) = -\sum_{ij} J_{ij} \sigma_i \sigma_j \quad \text{Ising model}$$



of Ising configurations

$$2^D$$

$$\Omega \approx e^S$$

$$S \approx \log \Omega$$

$$S \leq D \log 2$$

$$\frac{\Omega}{2^D} = \frac{e^S}{e^{D \log 2}} = e^{\overbrace{(S - D \log 2)}^{< 0}} = e^{D \left(\frac{S}{D} - \log 2 \right)}$$

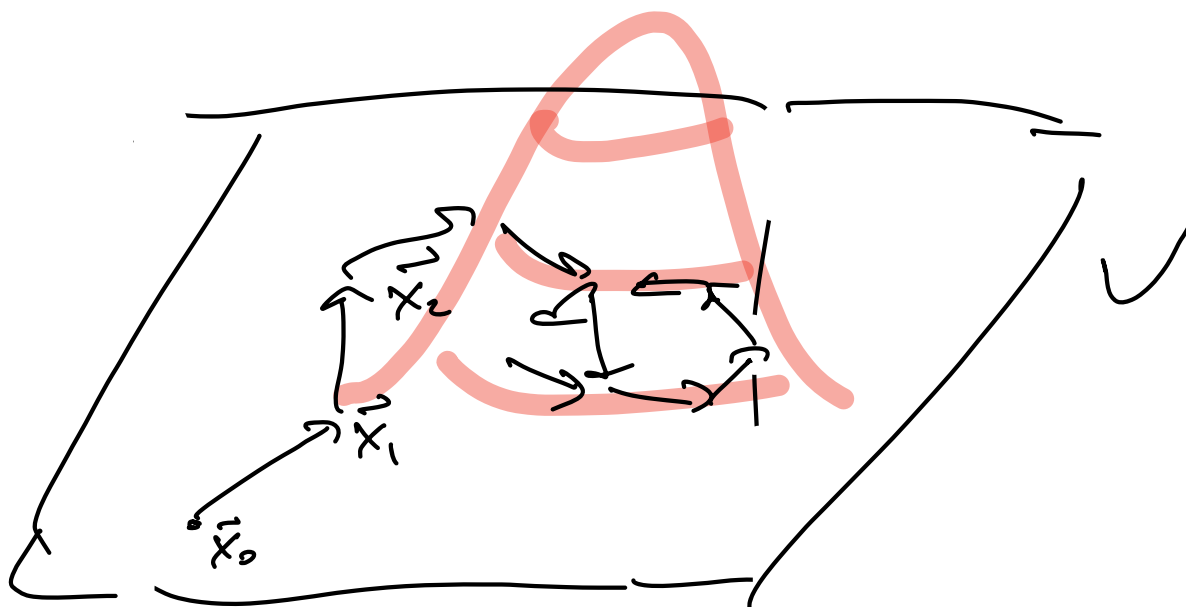
$$\sim O(\exp(-D))$$

"curse of dimensionality"

Markov-Chain Monte Carlo

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random walk

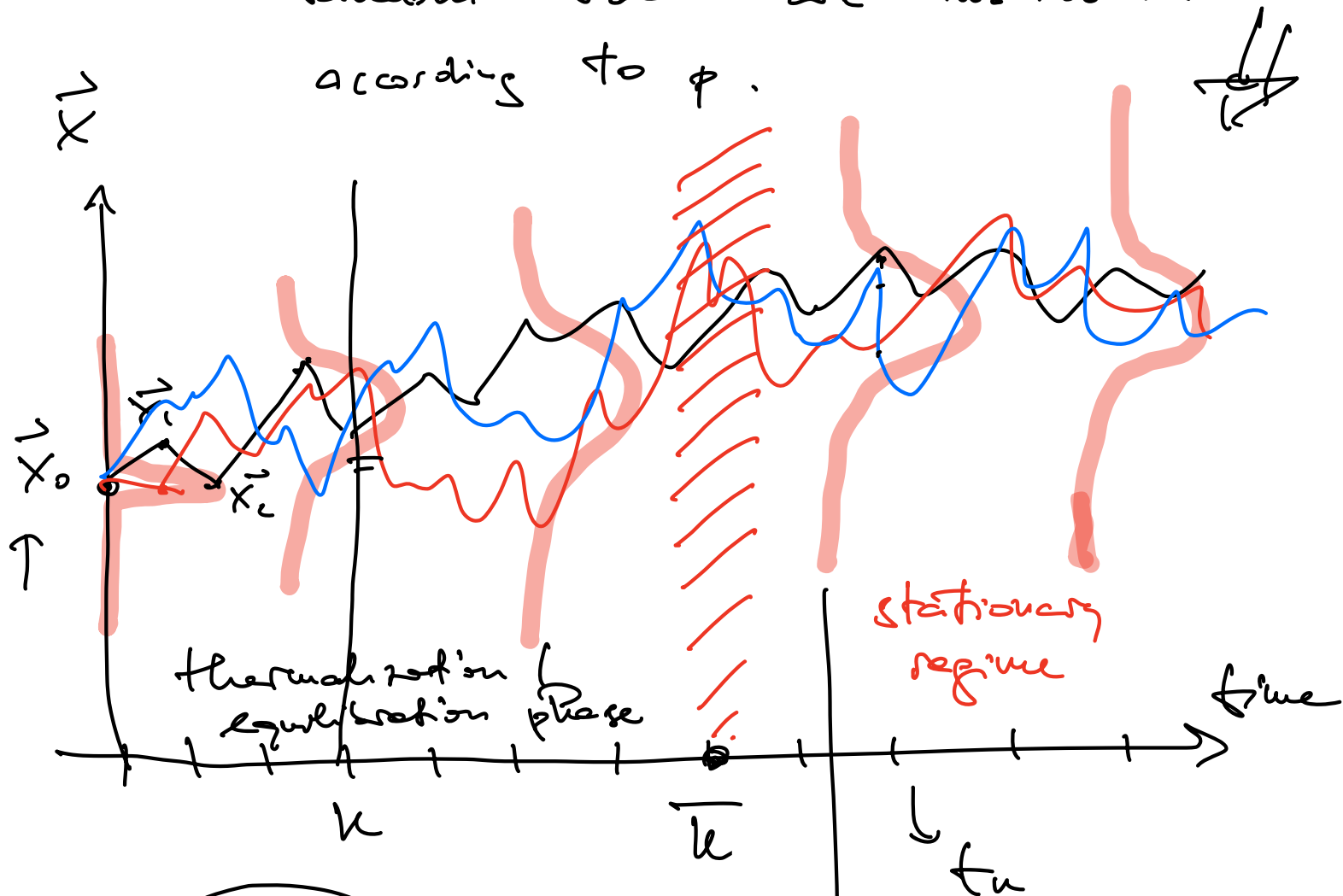


Markov chain :

$$P(\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{y})$$

transition probability

Idea : you choose τ such that, (after some time) points $\vec{x}_n$ on the random walk are distributed according to ϕ .



$$P_n(\vec{x}; \vec{x}_0, \tau)$$

$$P_n(\vec{x}; \vec{x}_0) \equiv P(\vec{x})$$

$$P(\vec{x})$$

$$\tau(\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{y})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{dP_u}{dt} &= P_{u+1}(\vec{x}; \vec{x}_0) - \underbrace{P_u(\vec{x}; \vec{x}_0)} \\
 &= \sum_{\vec{y}} \left[\underbrace{P_u(\vec{y}; \vec{x}_0)}_{\uparrow} \underbrace{T(\vec{y} \rightarrow \vec{x})}_{\text{---}} \right] - \underbrace{P_u(\vec{x}; \vec{x}_0)}_{\downarrow} \underbrace{T(\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{y})}_{\text{---}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= 0$$

$$\sum_{\vec{y}} \left[\underbrace{p(\vec{y}) T(\vec{y} \rightarrow \vec{x})}_{\text{---}} - \underbrace{p(\vec{x}) T(\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{y})}_{=0} \right]$$

detailed balance condition (on T)

$$p(\vec{y}) T(\vec{y} \rightarrow \vec{x}) = p(\vec{x}) T(\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{y})$$

$$\left(\begin{aligned}
 T(\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{y}) &= T_{\text{prop}}(\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{y}) \underbrace{A(\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{y})}_{\text{acceptance probability}} \\
 \uparrow &\quad \nearrow \text{proposal probability}
 \end{aligned} \right)$$

$$A(\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{y}) = \frac{T_{\text{prop}}(\vec{y} \rightarrow \vec{x})}{T_{\text{prop}}(\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{y})} \frac{p(\vec{y})}{p(\vec{x})} A(\vec{y} \rightarrow \vec{x})$$

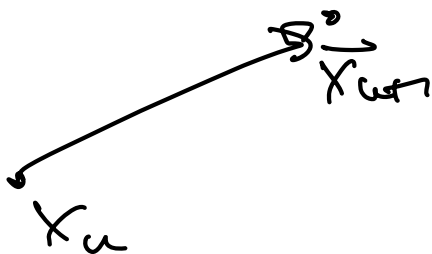
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Symmetric proposal probabilities

$$A(\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{y}) = \frac{p(\vec{y})}{p(\vec{x})} A(\vec{y} \rightarrow \vec{x})$$

Metropolis - Hastings solution

$$A(\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{y}) = \min \left(1, \frac{p(\vec{y})}{p(\vec{x})} \right)$$



extract $\vec{y}$ according to $\tau_{\text{arg}}(\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{y})$

extract $z \in [0, 1]$

$$\text{if } z < \min \left(1, \frac{f(\vec{y})}{p(\vec{x})} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{x}_{u+1} = \vec{y}$$

otherwise $\vec{x}_{u+1} = \vec{x}_u$

