

Diffusion models for complex Langevin dynamics

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Machine learning is the new playground

many concepts in ML are familiar to theoretical and computational physicists

- neural networks, say, are systems with many fluctuating degrees of freedom
- training – or learning – is a minimisation process, typically achieved with stochastic gradient descent (SGD)
- ML parameters are usually contained in matrices

keywords: stochastic dynamics, random matrix theory,
non-equilibrium evolution, thermalisation, ...



picture of a playground

Example: Dyson Brownian motion and SGD

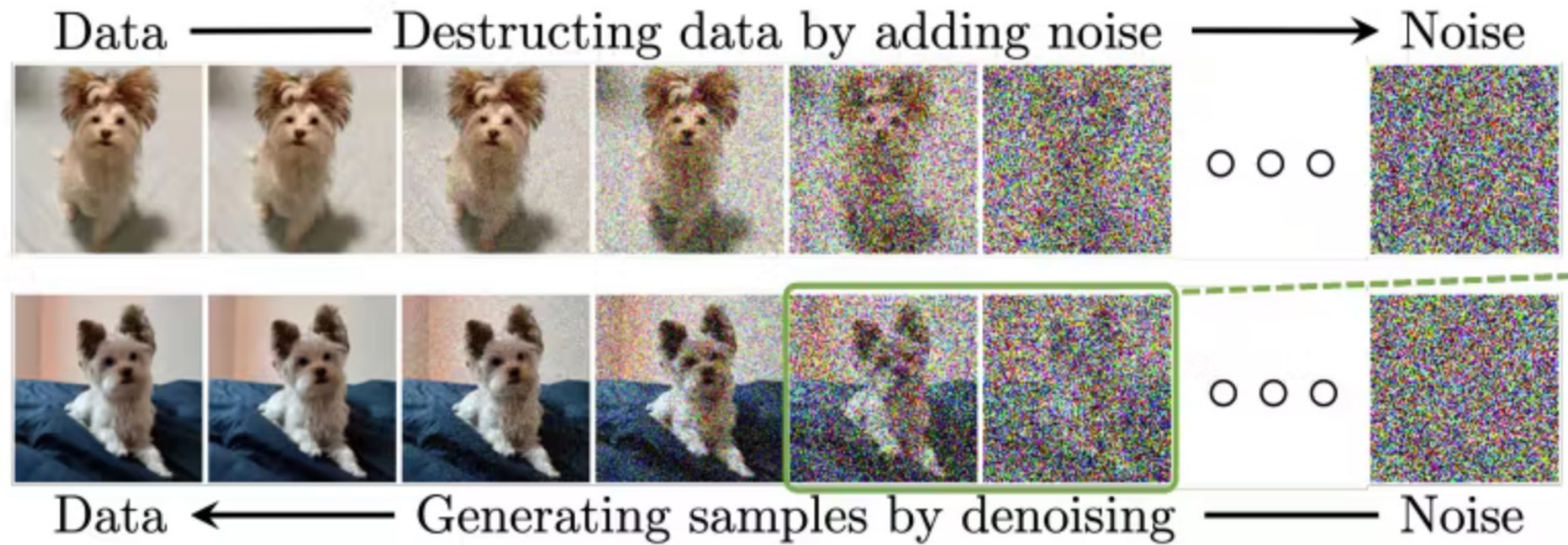
- weight matrices are updated using stochastic gradient descent
- stochastic matrix dynamics: random matrix theory
- Coulomb gas and eigenvalue repulsion: implications for training accuracy
- dependence on learning rate (step size) over batch size (size of fluctuations)

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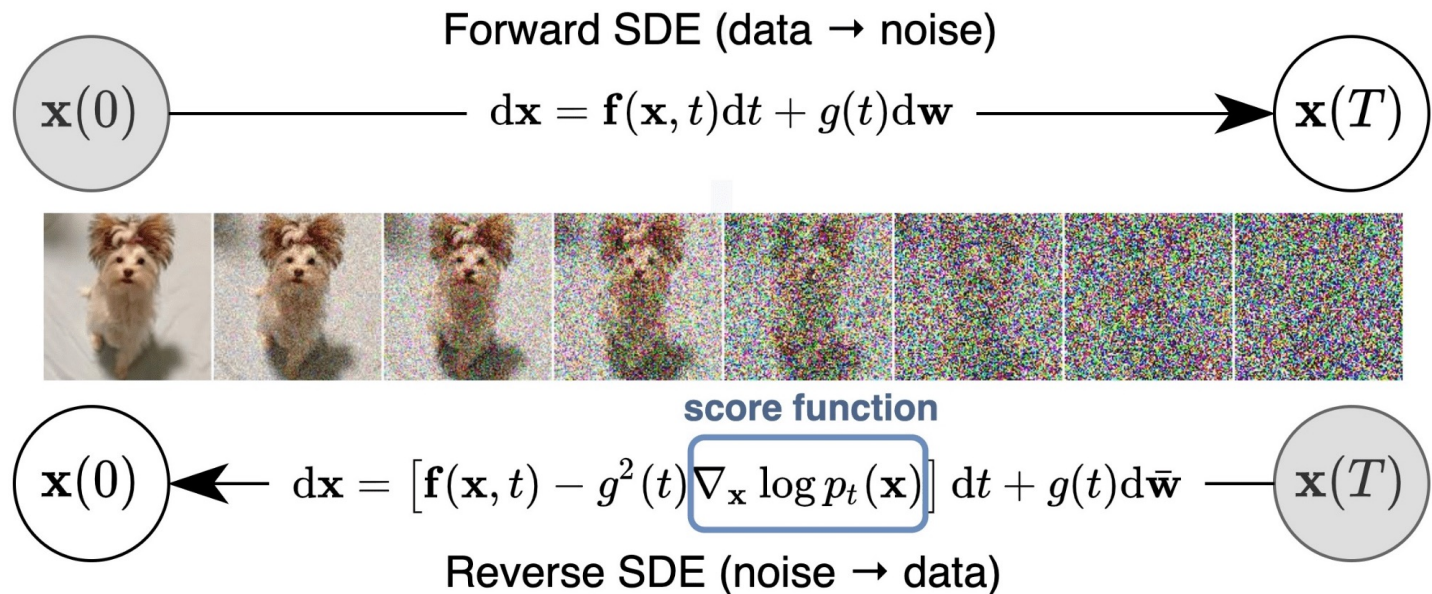
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Diffusion models

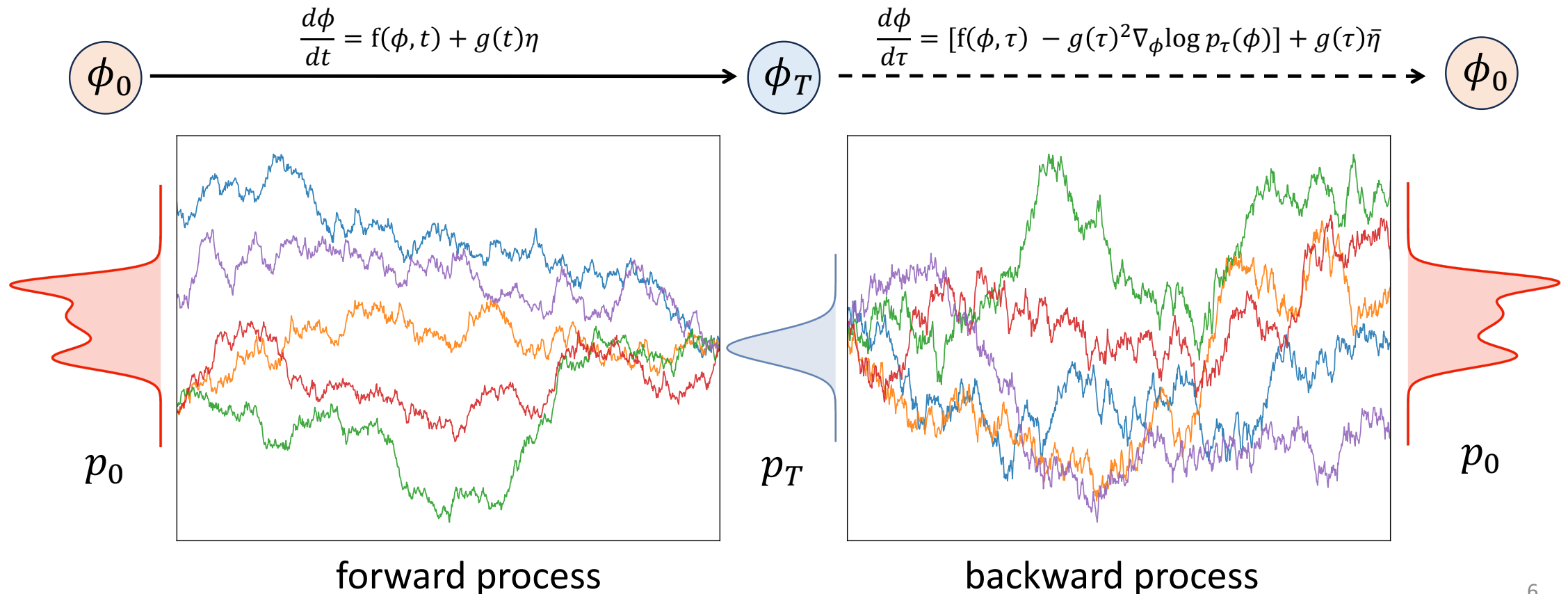
stochastic dynamics to generate images (configurations)

- start with data set of images
- make the images more blurred by applying noise (forward process)
- learn steps in this process
... and then revert it
- create new images from noise



Prior and target distributions

- in pictures: p_0 is target (non-trivial), p_T is the prior (easy)



Outline

- some comments on diffusion models and stochastic quantisation
- application in lattice scalar field theory in two dimensions
- correlations: higher n -point functions and cumulants
- application to **sign** and complex action problem: complex Langevin dynamics
- summary and outlook

Diffusion models and stochastic quantisation

- images/configurations are generated during backward process
- stochastic process with time-dependent drift and noise strength

$$\frac{\partial \phi(x, \tau)}{\partial \tau} = g^2(\tau) \nabla_{\phi} \log P(\phi; \tau) + g(\tau) \eta(x, \tau)$$

- write $P(\phi; \tau) = \frac{e^{-S(\phi, \tau)}}{Z}$ such that $\nabla_{\phi} \log P(\phi, \tau) = -\nabla_{\phi} S(\phi, \tau)$

- then
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Diffusion models and stochastic quantisation

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- very familiar to (lattice) field theorists

- stochastic quantisation (Parisi & Wu 1980)

- path integral quantisation via a stochastic process in fictitious time

$$\frac{\partial \phi(x, \tau)}{\partial \tau} = -\nabla_{\phi} S(\phi) + \sqrt{2} \eta(x, \tau)$$

- stationary solution of associated Fokker-Planck equation $P(\phi) \sim e^{-S(\phi)}$

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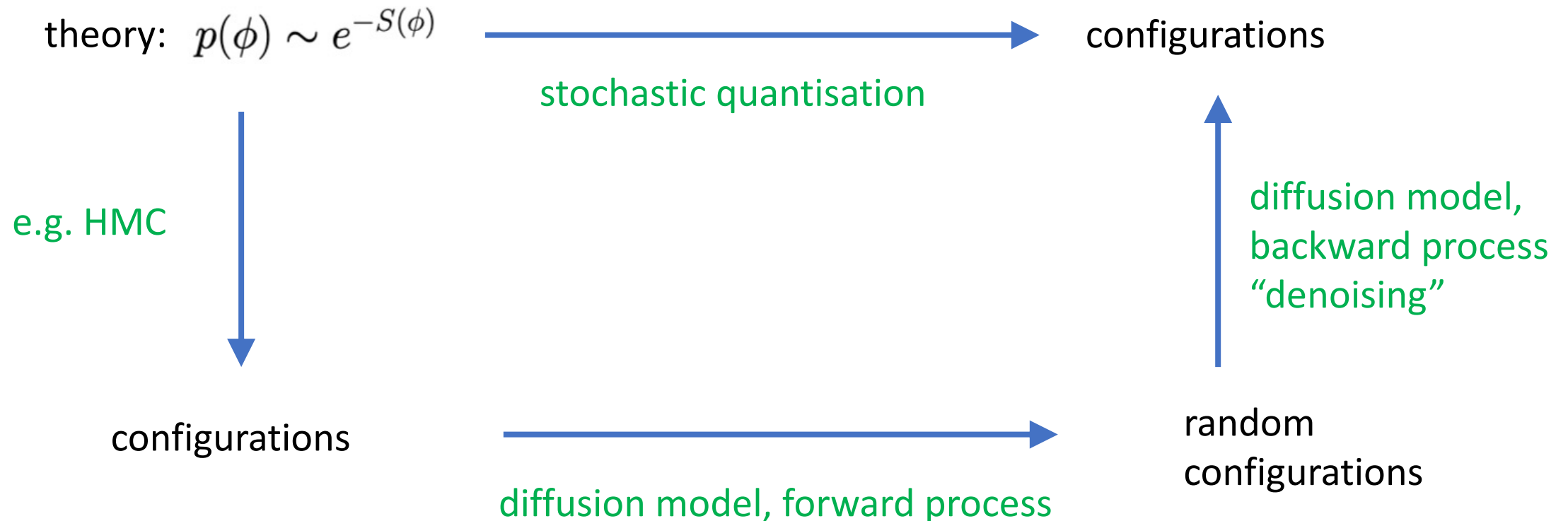
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similarities and differences:

- ✓ SQ: fixed drift, determined from known action
constant noise variance (but can be generalised using kernels)
thermalisation followed by long-term evolution in equilibrium
- ✓ DM: drift and noise variance time-dependent, learn from data
evolution between $0 \leq \tau \leq T = 1$, many short runs

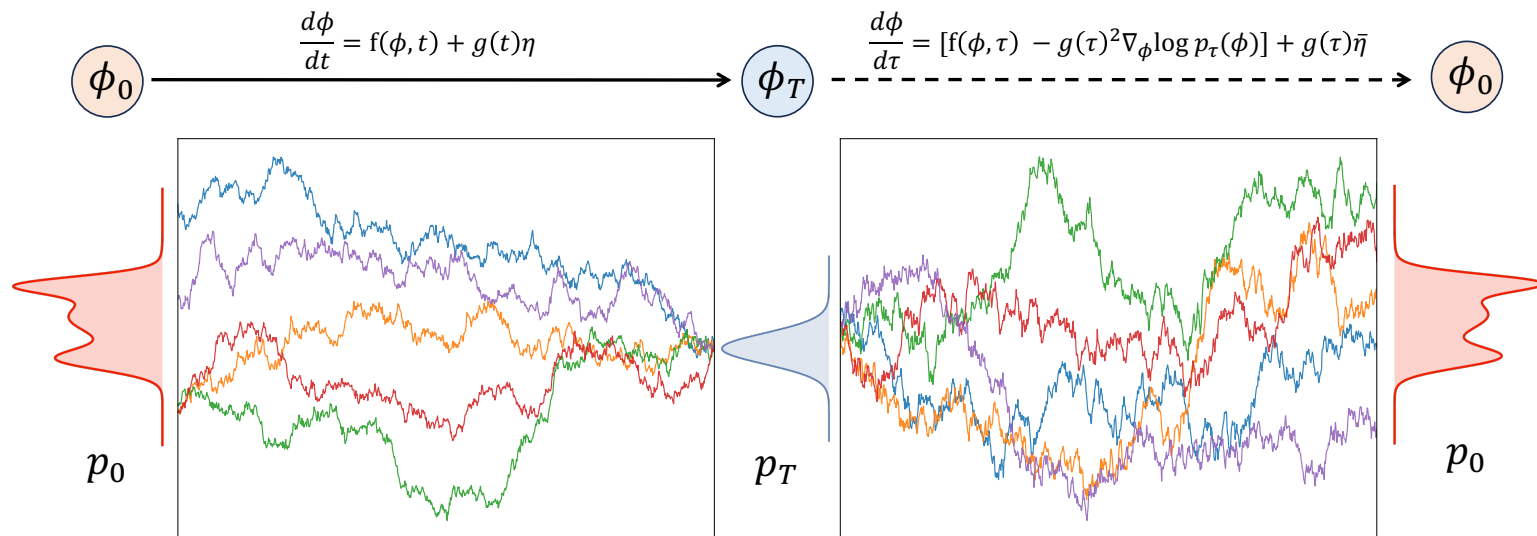
Diffusion models and stochastic quantisation

- diffusion models as an alternative approach to stochastic quantisation



Score matching: learn the drift for backward process

- one degree of freedom, variance-expanding scheme: $\dot{x}(t) = g(t)\eta(t)$ $\eta \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$
- time-dependent distribution $P(x, t) = P_t(x)$ describes forward and backward process
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- loss function $\mathcal{L}(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T dt \mathbb{E}_{P_t(x)} \left[\sigma^2(t) \|s_\theta(x, t) - \nabla \log P_t(x)\|^2 \right]$ $\sigma^2(t) = \int_0^t ds g^2(s)$
- $s_\theta(x, t)$ approximates score, vector field learnt by some neural network
- introduce conditional distribution $P_t(x) = \int dx_0 P_t(x|x_0)P_0(x_0)$ initial data $P_0(x_0)$

$$P_t(x) = \int dx_0 P_t(x|x_0)P_0(x_0)$$

Score matching: learn the drift

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- diffusion process $\dot{x}(t) = g(t)\eta(t)$ easily solved $x(t) = x_0 + \sigma(t)\eta(t)$ $\sigma^2(t) = \int_0^t ds g^2(s)$

- conditional distribution $P_t(x|x_0) = \mathcal{N}(x; x_0, \sigma^2(t)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2(t)}} e^{-(x-x_0)^2/(2\sigma^2(t))}$

- and hence $\nabla \log P_t(x_t|x_0) = -(x_t - x_0)/\sigma^2(t)$

- loss function $\mathcal{L}(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T dt \mathbb{E}_{P_t(x_t)} \left[\left\| \sigma(t)s_\theta(x_t, t) + \frac{x_t - x_0}{\sigma(t)} \right\|^2 \right]$
 $= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T dt \mathbb{E}_{P_t(x_t)} \left[\|\sigma(t)s_\theta(x_t, t) + \eta(t)\|^2 \right]$

tractable, computable

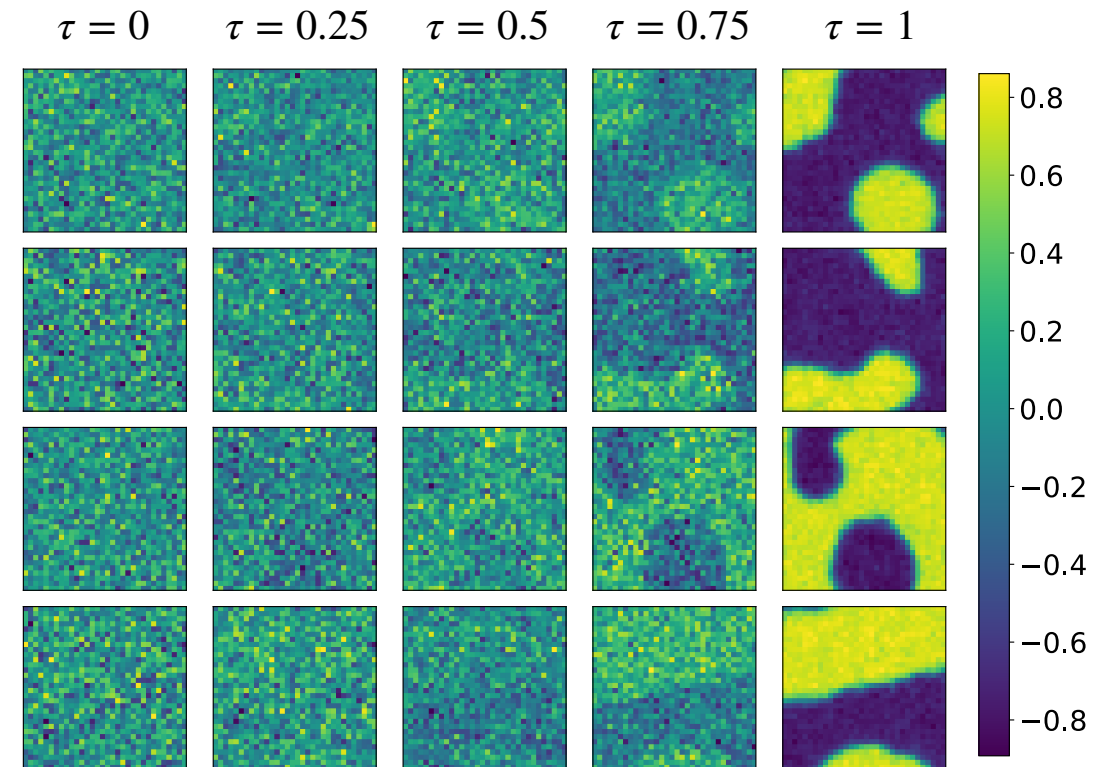
Diffusion model for 2d ϕ^4 scalar theory

- 32^2 lattice, choice of action parameters in symmetric and broken phase
- training data set generated using Hybrid Monte Carlo (HMC)

- variance expanding DM trained using U-Net architecture

generating configurations:

- broken phase
- “denoising” (backward process)
- large-scale clusters emerge, as expected

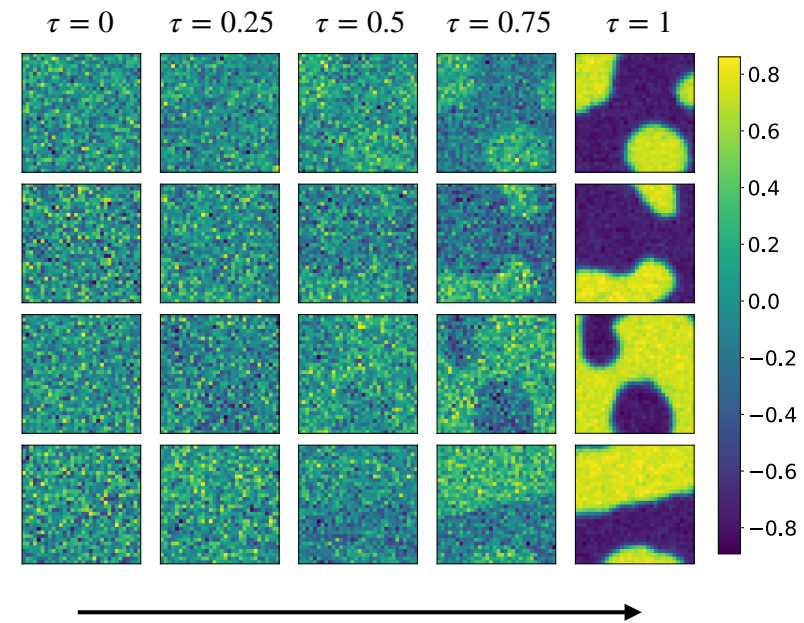


Diffusion models

ok, so it seems to work: many questions

- correlations: how are they destroyed and rebuilt?
- usually attention is on two-point function or variance
- higher n -point functions contain interactions in field theory
- essential for applications in field theory, correlations = interactions
- focus on moments and cumulants

discuss forward and backward process in more detail



Diffusion models in more detail

○ forward process $\dot{x}(t) = K(x(t), t) + g(t)\eta(t) \quad 0 \leq t \leq T$

○ backward process noise profile $g(t) = \sigma^{t/T}$

$$x'(\tau) = -K(x(\tau), T - \tau) + \underbrace{g^2(T - \tau)\partial_x \log P(x, T - \tau)}_{\text{score}} + g(T - \tau)\eta(\tau) \quad \tau = T - t$$

two main schemes

○ variance-expanding (VE): no drift $K(x, t) = 0$

○ variance-preserving (VP) or denoising diffusion probabilistic models (DDPMs):

linear drift $K(x(t), t) = -\frac{1}{2}k(t)x(t)$

$$x_0 \rightarrow x_0 - \mathbb{E}_{P_0}[x_0]$$

Solve forward process

- forward process $\dot{x}(t) = K(x(t), t) + g(t)\eta(t)$ $K(x(t), t) = -\frac{1}{2}k(t)x(t)$
- initial data from target ensemble $x_0 \sim P_0(x_0)$
- solution $x(t) = x_0 f(t, 0) + \int_0^t ds f(t, s)g(s)\eta(s)$ $f(t, s) = e^{-\frac{1}{2} \int_s^t ds' k(s')}$
- second moment/cumulant/variance $\kappa_2(t) = \mu_2(t) = \mu_2(0)f^2(t, 0) + \Xi(t)$

$$\Xi(t) = \int_0^t ds \int_0^t ds' f(t, s)f(t, s')g(s)g(s')\mathbb{E}_\eta[\eta(s)\eta(s')] = \int_0^t ds f^2(t, s)g^2(s)$$

$$f(t, s) = e^{-\frac{1}{2} \int_s^t ds' k(s')}$$

Higher-order moments and cumulants

- moments $\mu_n(t) = \mathbb{E}[x^n(t)]$ and cumulants $\kappa_n(t)$: straightforward algebra

$$\kappa_3(t) = \mu_3(t) = \kappa_3(0) f^3(t, 0)$$

$$\mu_4(t) = \mu_4(0) f^4(t, 0) + 6\mu_2(0) f^2(t, 0) \Xi(t) + 3\Xi^2(t)$$

$$\kappa_4(t) = \mu_4(t) - 3\mu_2^2(t) = [\mu_4(0) - 3\mu_2^2(0)] f^4(t, 0) = \kappa_4(0) f^4(t, 0)$$

$$\kappa_5(t) = [\mu_5(0) - 10\mu_3(0)\mu_2(0)] f^5(t, 0) = \kappa_5(0) f^5(t, 0)$$

→ $\kappa_{n>2}(t) = \kappa_n(0) f^n(t, 0)$

variance-expanding
scheme: no drift

$$f(t, 0) = 1$$

higher cumulants
conserved!

$$\Xi(t) = \int_0^T ds f^2(t, s) g^2(s)$$

Proof to all orders

- generating functionals: average over both noise and target distributions

moments $Z[J] = \mathbb{E}[e^{J(t)x(t)}]$

cumulants $W[J] = \log Z[J]$

- noise average $Z_\eta[J] = \mathbb{E}_\eta[e^{J(t)x(t)}] = \frac{\int D\eta e^{-\frac{1}{2} \int_0^t ds \eta^2(s) + J(t)[x_0 f(t,0) + \int_0^t ds f(t,s)g(s)\eta(s)]}}{\int D\eta e^{-\frac{1}{2} \int_0^t ds \eta^2(s)}}$

- full average $Z[J] = \mathbb{E}[e^{J(t)x(t)}] = e^{\frac{1}{2} J^2(t)\Xi(t)} \int dx_0 P_0(x_0) e^{J(t)x_0 f(t,0)}$

- cumulant generator $W[J] = \log Z[J] = \frac{1}{2} J^2(t)\Xi(t) + \log \int dx_0 P_0(x_0) e^{J(t)x_0 f(t,0)}$

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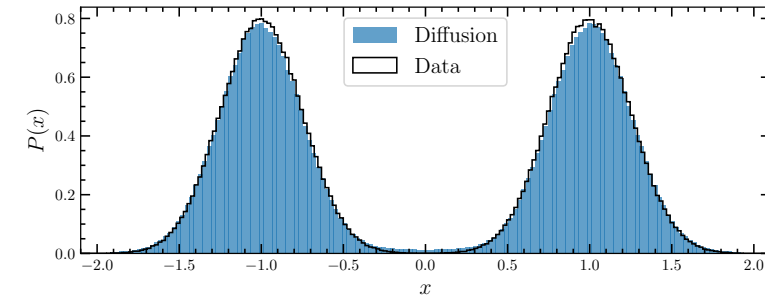
Proof to all orders: cumulants

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○ 2nd cumulant $\kappa_2(t) = \left. \frac{d^2 W[J]}{dJ(t)^2} \right|_{J=0} = \Xi(t) + \mathbb{E}_{P_0}[x_0^2] f^2(t, 0)$ ✓

○ higher-order cumulants $\kappa_{n>2}(t) = \left. \frac{d^n W[J]}{dJ(t)^n} \right|_{J=0} = \frac{d^n}{dJ(t)^n} \log \mathbb{E}_{P_0}[e^{J(t)x_0 f(t,0)}] \Big|_{J=0} = \kappa_n(0) f^n(t, 0)$ ✓

Toy model: two-peak distribution



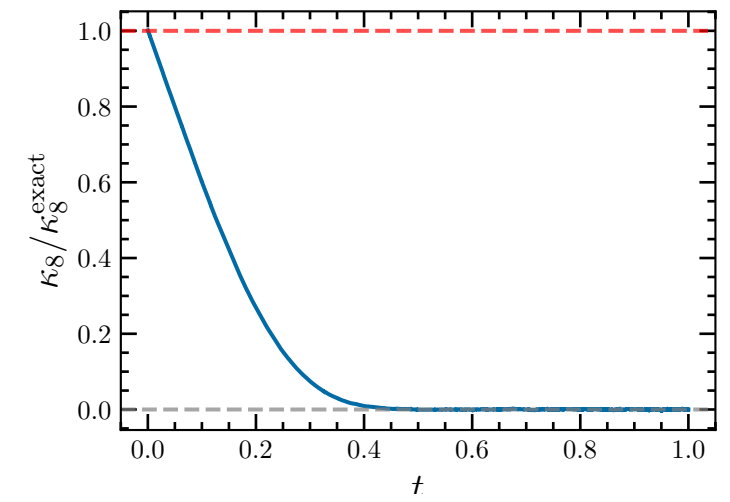
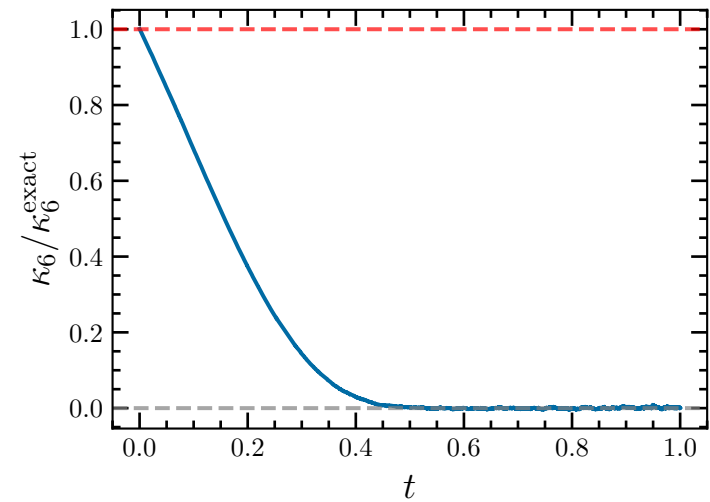
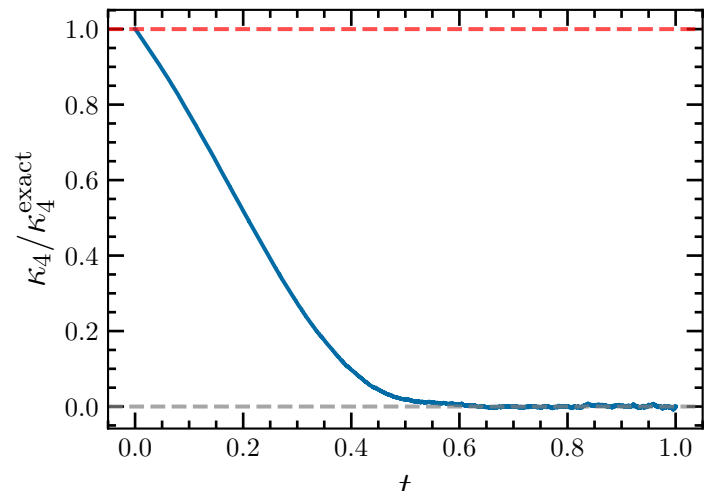
- test the predictions in simple zero-dimensional model
- sum of two Gaussians
$$P_0(x) = \frac{1}{2} [\mathcal{N}(x; \mu_0, \sigma_0^2) + \mathcal{N}(x; -\mu_0, \sigma_0^2)]$$
- exactly solvable, all even cumulants non-zero, time-dependent score is known analytically
- quickly show higher-order cumulants, see paper for details

$$\kappa_{n>2}(t) = \kappa_n(0) f^n(t, 0)$$

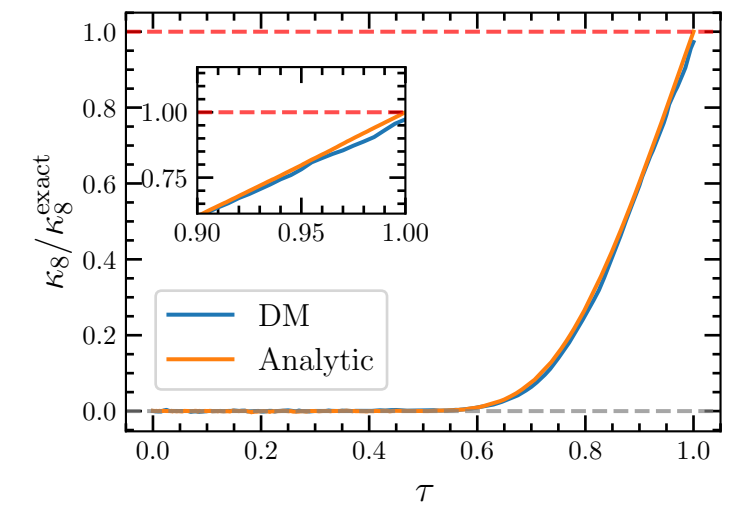
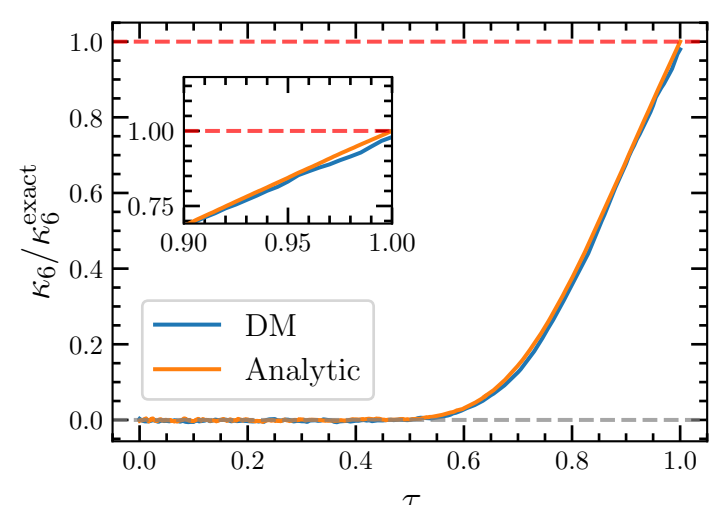
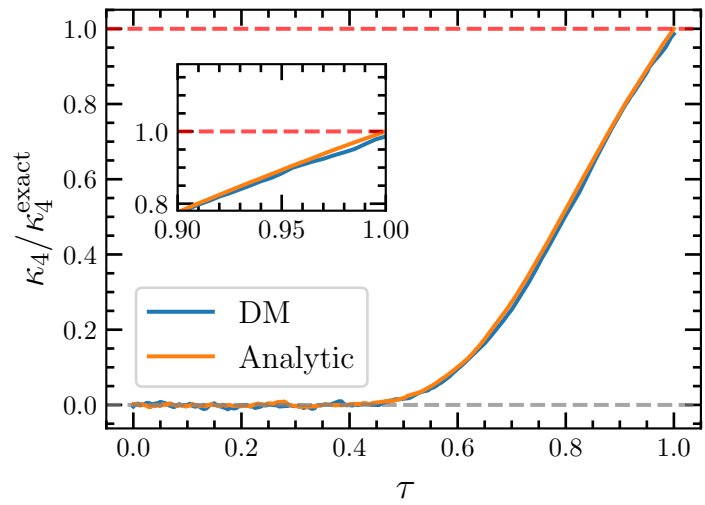
$$f(t, 0) \rightarrow 0$$

4th, 6th, 8th cumulant with drift (DDPM)

forward



backward

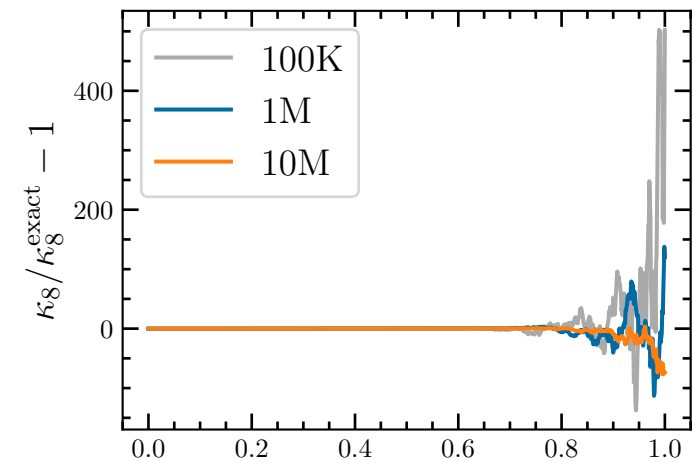
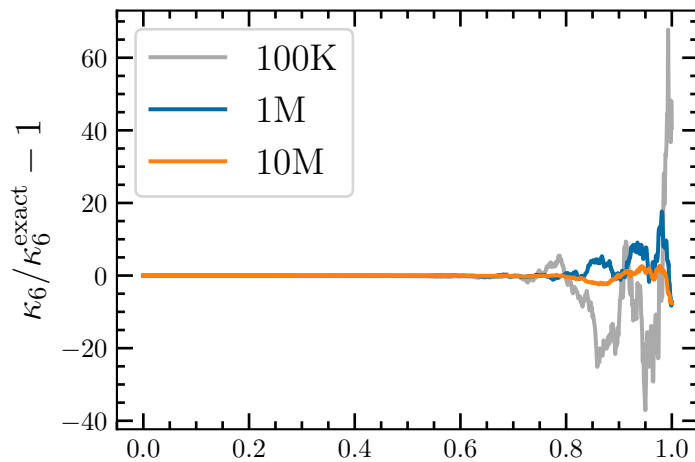
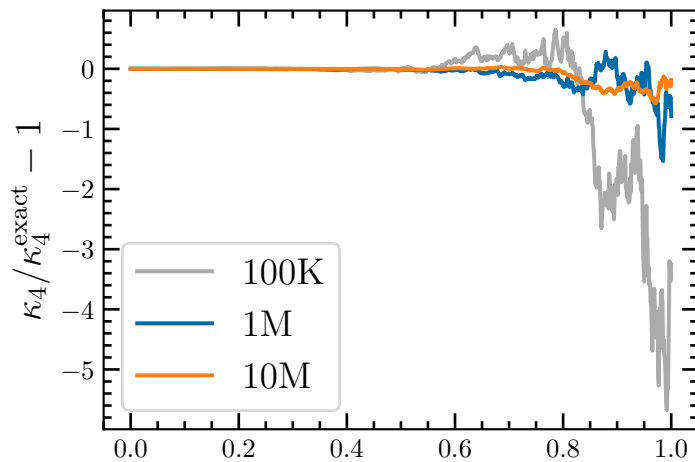


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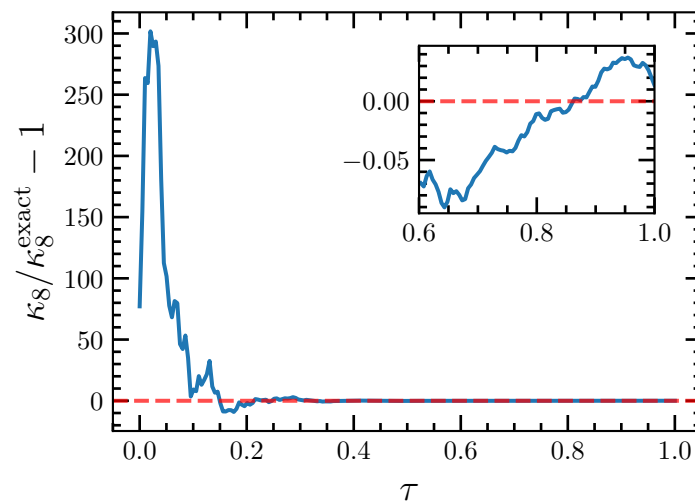
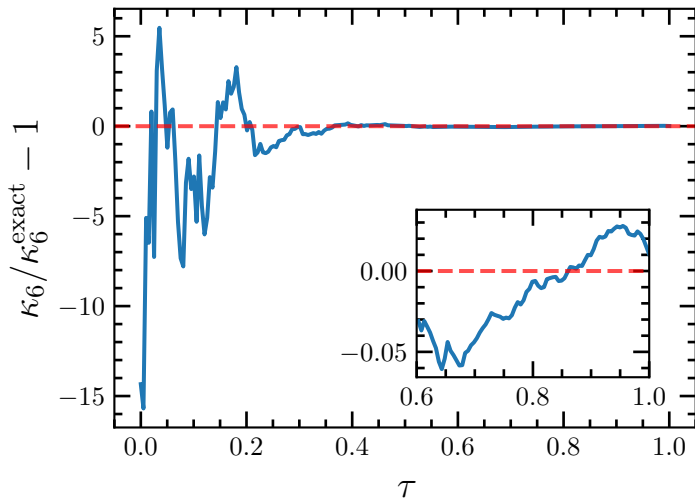
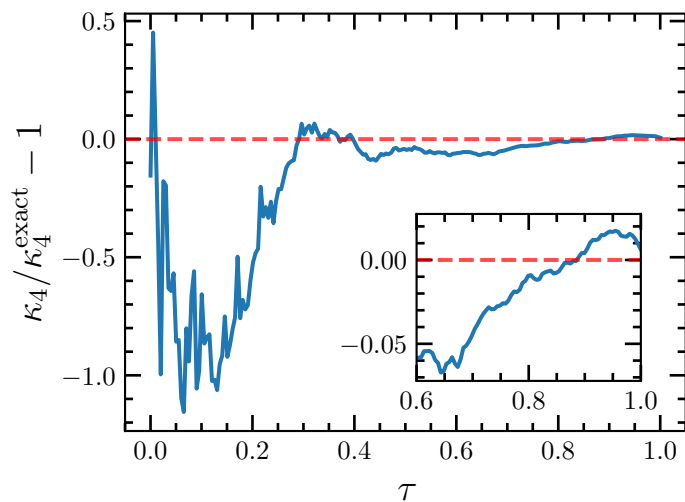
$$\kappa_{n>2}(t) = \kappa_n(0)$$

4th, 6th, 8th cumulant without drift

forward



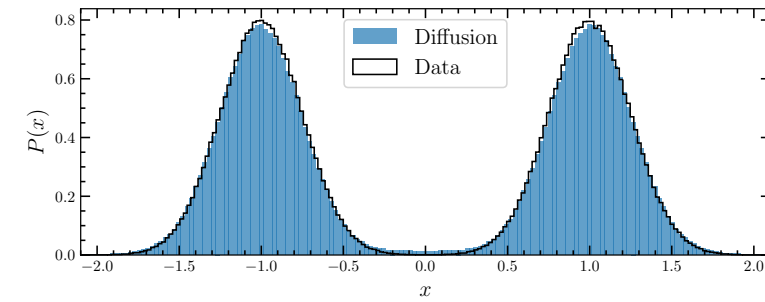
backward



Higher-order cumulants

- with drift (DDPM): cumulants go to zero, distribution becomes normal
- without drift (variance-expanding): higher-order cumulants are conserved, up to numerical cancellations, required between moments which increase in time
- initial conditions for backward process taken from normal distribution
- score has higher-order cumulants encoded: cumulants are reconstructed

Comparison between schemes



	κ_2	κ_4	κ_6	κ_8
Exact	1.0625	-2	16	-272
Data	1.0624(5)	-2.000(2)	16.00(2)	-272.0(6)
Variance expanding	1.0692(6)	-2.001(2)	16.03(3)	-272.7(6)
Variance preserving (DDPM)	1.0609(5)	-1.976(2)	15.72(2)	-265.6(6)

expectation values at the end of the backward process

- ✓ variance-expanding scheme slightly outperforms variance-preserving scheme

Two-dimensional scalar fields

extension to scalar fields trivial: each lattice point is treated separately

- forward $\partial_t \phi(x, t) = K[\phi(x, t), t] + g(t)\eta(x, t)$
- backward $\partial_\tau \phi(x, \tau) = -K[\phi(x, \tau), T - \tau] + g^2(T - \tau)\nabla_\phi \log P(\phi, T - \tau) + g(T - \tau)\eta(x, \tau)$
- two-point function $G(x, y; t) \equiv \mathbb{E}[\phi(x, t)\phi(y, t)] = \mathbb{E}_{P_0}[\phi_0(x)\phi_0(y)]f^2(t, 0) + \Xi(t)\delta(x - y)$
- moments $\mu_n(x, t) = \mathbb{E}[\phi^n(x, t)]$ independent of x

$$\Xi(t) = \int_0^T ds f^2(t, s) g^2(s)$$

Generating functionals

full path integral
with sources



- moment generating

$$Z[J] = \mathbb{E}[e^{J(x,t)\phi(x,t)}] = e^{\frac{1}{2}J^2(x,t)\Xi(t)} \int D\phi_0 P_0[\phi_0] e^{J(x,t)\phi_0(x)f(t,0)}$$

variance
preserving

- cumulant generating

$$W[J] = \log Z[J] = \frac{1}{2}J^2(x,t)\Xi(t) + \log \int D\phi_0 P_0[\phi_0] e^{J(x,t)\phi_0(x)f(t,0)}$$

$f(t, 0) \rightarrow 0$

variance
expanding

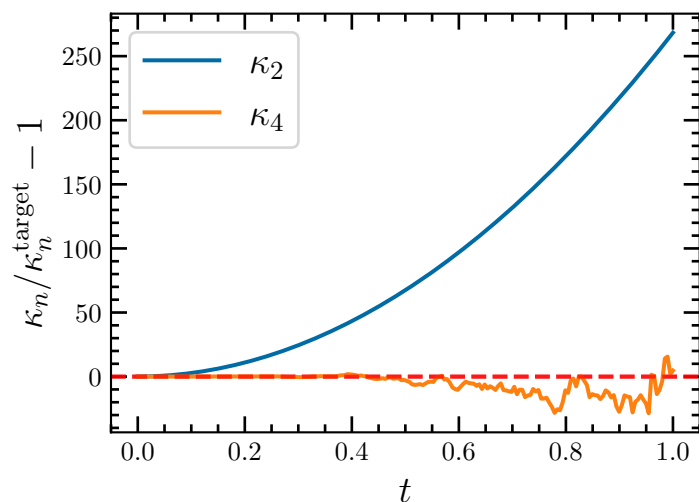
- higher-order cumulants

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$f(t, 0) = 1$

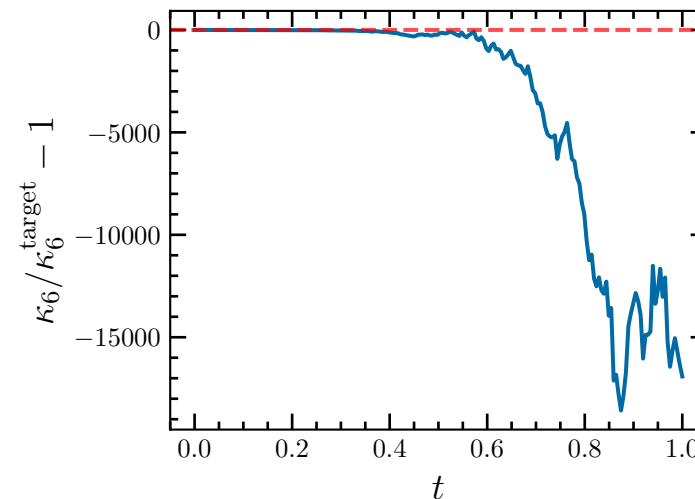
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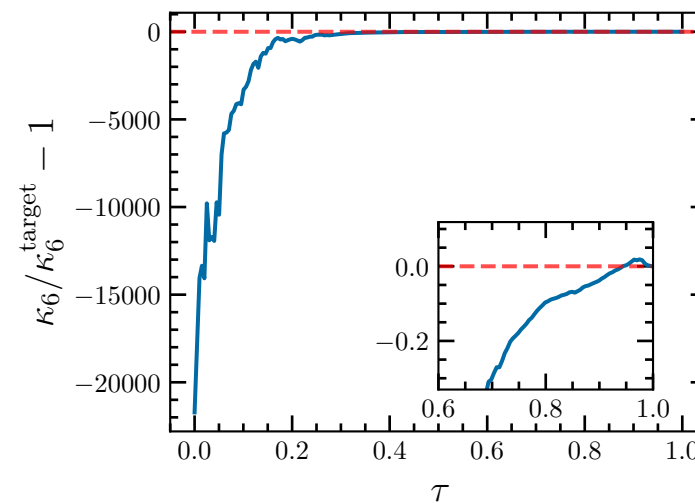
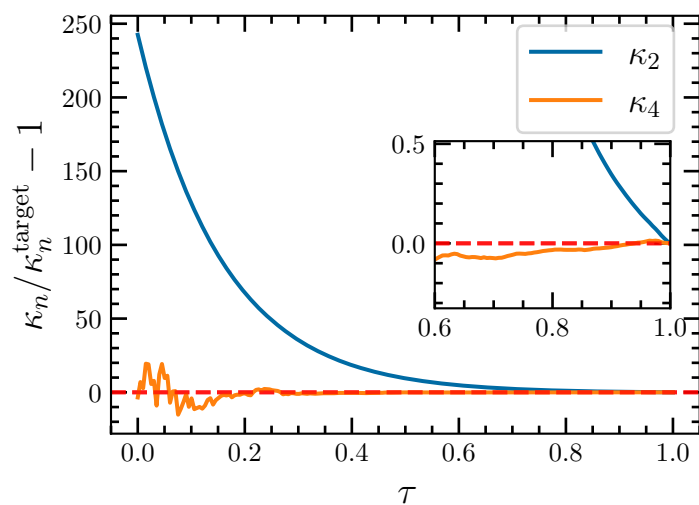


κ_2, κ_4

κ_6



backward



Comparison: trained diffusion model

	κ_2	κ_4	κ_6	κ_8
HMC (normalised)	0.39597(4)	-0.29453(6)	0.90108(28)	-5.8689(25)
Diffusion model	0.39598(4)	-0.29454(7)	0.90113(32)	-5.8694(28)

ϕ^4 theory: 32^2 , $\kappa = 0.4$, $\lambda = 0.022$, 10^5 configurations

expectation values at the end of the backward process

excellent agreement

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Sign problem, complex Langevin dynamics and diffusion models

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Stochastic quantisation: complex actions

- stochastic quantisation not limited to real-valued distributions/actions
- extend Langevin process to complex manifold: complex Langevin dynamics (Parisi 1981)

$$z \sim \rho(z) \in \mathbb{C} \quad \Rightarrow \quad x, y \sim P(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}$$

- convergence not guaranteed, no general solution of Fokker-Planck equation
- a posteriori justification (GA, Seiler, Stamatescu 2009, Nagata, Nishimura, Shimasaki 2016)
- many talks at this meeting

(Complex) Langevin dynamics

- observables $\langle O(x) \rangle = \int dx \rho(x) O(x)$ $\rho(x) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp[-S(x)]$ $Z = \int dx \rho(x)$
- Langevin equation and drift $\dot{x}(t) = K[x(t)] + \eta(t)$ $K(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \log \rho(x) = -\frac{dS(x)}{dx}$
- Fokker-Planck equation (FPE) $\partial_t \rho(x; t) = \partial_x [\partial_x - K(x)] \rho(x; t)$
- what if weight is complex? drift is complex, FPE only formal
- complexify degrees of freedom $z \rightarrow x + iy$

Complex Langevin dynamics

- complexify degrees of freedom $z \rightarrow x + iy$

- Langevin equation and drift $\dot{z}(t) = K[z(t)] + \eta(t), \quad K(z) = \frac{d}{dz} \log \rho(z) = -\frac{dS(z)}{dz}$

- take real and imaginary part $N_x - N_y = 1$

$$\dot{x}(t) = K_x + \eta_x(t), \quad K_x = \operatorname{Re} \frac{d}{dz} \log \rho(z), \quad \langle \eta_x(t) \eta_x(t') \rangle = 2N_x \delta(t - t')$$

$$\dot{y}(t) = K_y + \eta_y(t), \quad K_y = \operatorname{Im} \frac{d}{dz} \log \rho(z), \quad \langle \eta_y(t) \eta_y(t') \rangle = 2N_y \delta(t - t')$$

- FPE $\partial_t P(x, y; t) = [\partial_x (N_x \partial_x - K_x) + \partial_y (N_y \partial_y - K_y)] P(x, y; t) \quad P(x, y; t) \geq 0$

- observables $\langle O[x(t) + iy(t)] \rangle_\eta = \int dx dy P(x, y; t) O(x + iy)$

Complex Langevin dynamics

- FPE $\partial_t P(x, y; t) = [\partial_x (N_x \partial_x - K_x) + \partial_y (N_y \partial_y - K_y)] P(x, y; t)$

- cannot be solved, non-integrable $\partial_x K_y \neq \partial_y K_x$

- formal justification $\int dx dy P(x, y) O(x + iy) = \int dx \rho(x) O(x)$

- relation (cannot be verified in practice) $\rho(x) = \int dy P(x - iy, y)$

- instead, a posteriori criteria for correctness

GA, E Seiler, IO Stamatescu, *Phys. Rev. D* **81** (2010) 054508 [0912.3360]

GA, F James, E Seiler, IO Stamatescu, *Eur. Phys. J. C* **71** (2011) 1756 [1101.3270]

Complex Langevin distributions

○ FPE $\partial_t P(x, y; t) = [\partial_x (N_x \partial_x - K_x) + \partial_y (N_y \partial_y - K_y)] P(x, y; t)$

real noise:

$$N_x = 1, N_y = 0$$

○ want to describe/understand this distribution

○ further sampling

○ criteria for correctness

○ (modify process)

$$P(x, y; t) \geq 0$$

○ use diffusion model, learn from CL generated data

○ diffusion model does not care what the origin of the data is

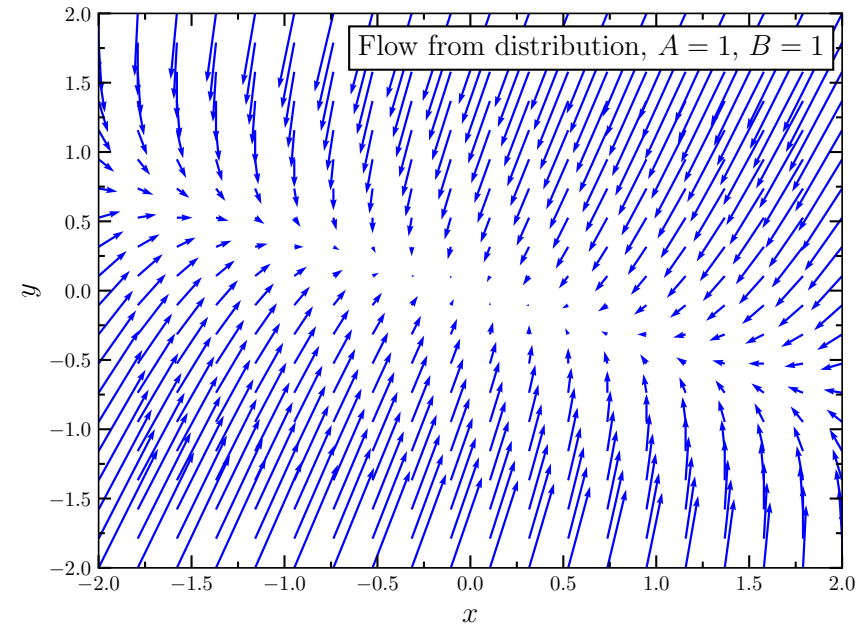
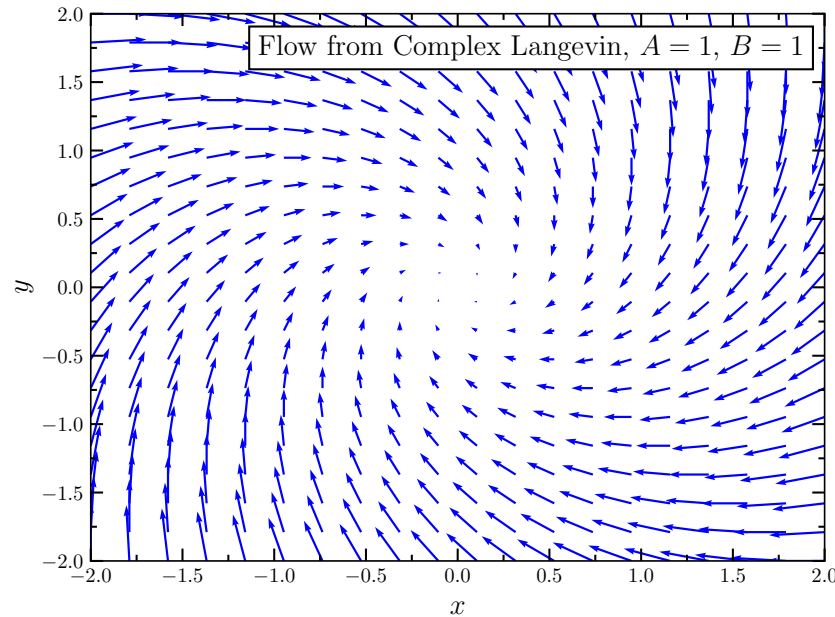
○ note: no solution to the sign problem if CL fails

Gaussian model (solvable)

- complex quadratic action $S(x) = \frac{1}{2}\sigma_0 x^2$ $\sigma_0 = A + iB$
- CL equations $\dot{x} = K_x + \eta$, $K_x = -Ax + By$, $\dot{y} = K_y$, $K_y = -Ay - Bx$
- here FPE can be solved $P(x, y) = N \exp[-\alpha x^2 - \beta y^2 - 2\gamma xy]$, $N = \frac{1}{\pi} \sqrt{\alpha\beta - \gamma^2}$
- with coefficients $\alpha = A, \beta = A(1 + 2A^2/B^2), \gamma = A^2/B$.
- solution satisfies $\rho(x) = \int dy P(x - iy, y)$
- note: score \neq CL drift $\partial_x \log P(x, y) = -2\alpha x - 2\gamma y$, $\partial_y \log P(x, y) = -2\beta y - 2\gamma x$

Flow from CL and from score: Gaussian model

$$A = B = 1$$



CL dynamics:

$$K_x = -Ax + By$$
$$K_y = -Ay - Bx$$

$$\partial_x K_y \neq \partial_y K_x$$

score:

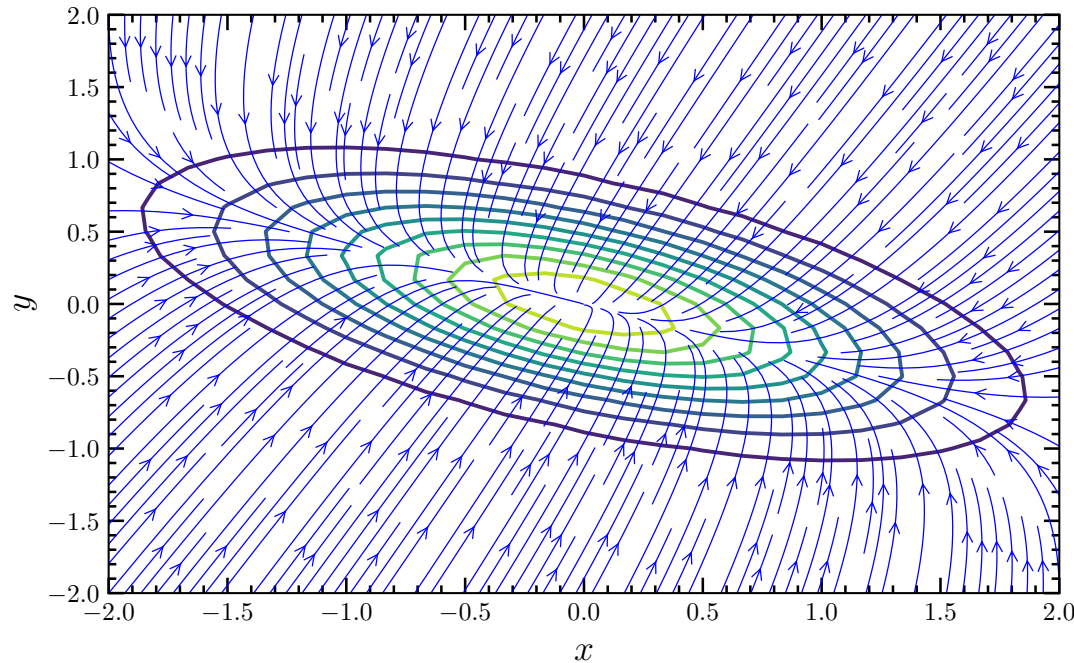
$$\partial_x \log P(x, y) = -2\alpha x - 2\gamma y$$
$$\partial_y \log P(x, y) = -2\beta y - 2\gamma x$$

$$\partial_x \partial_y \log P(x, y) = \partial_y \partial_x \log P(x, y)$$

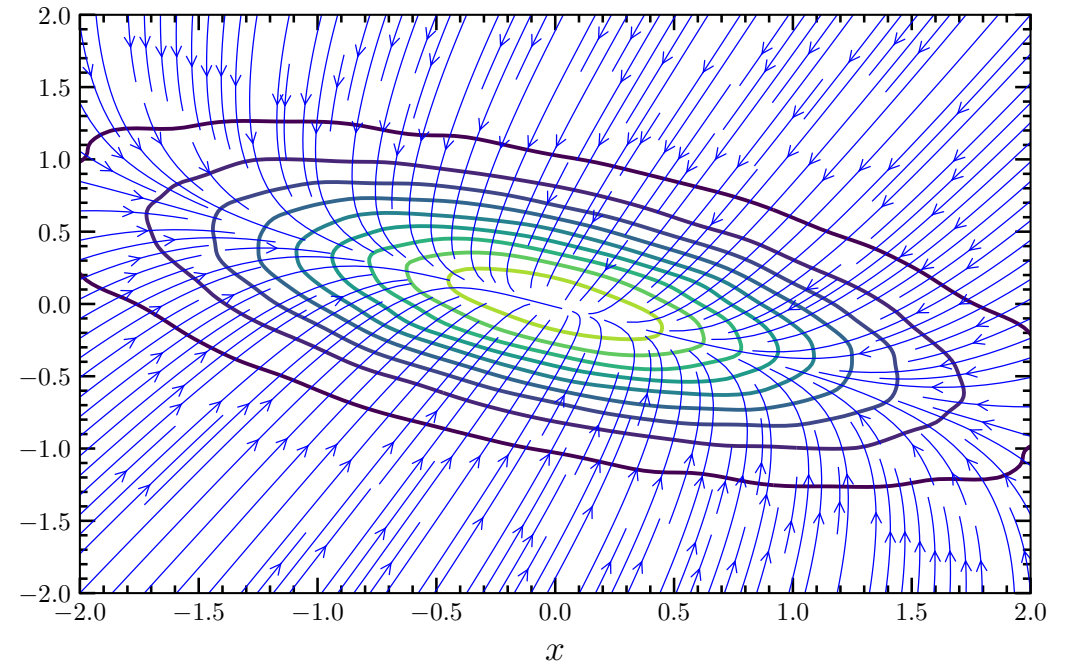
Trained diffusion model: Gaussian case

$$A = B = 1$$

analytical score



trained model



moments:

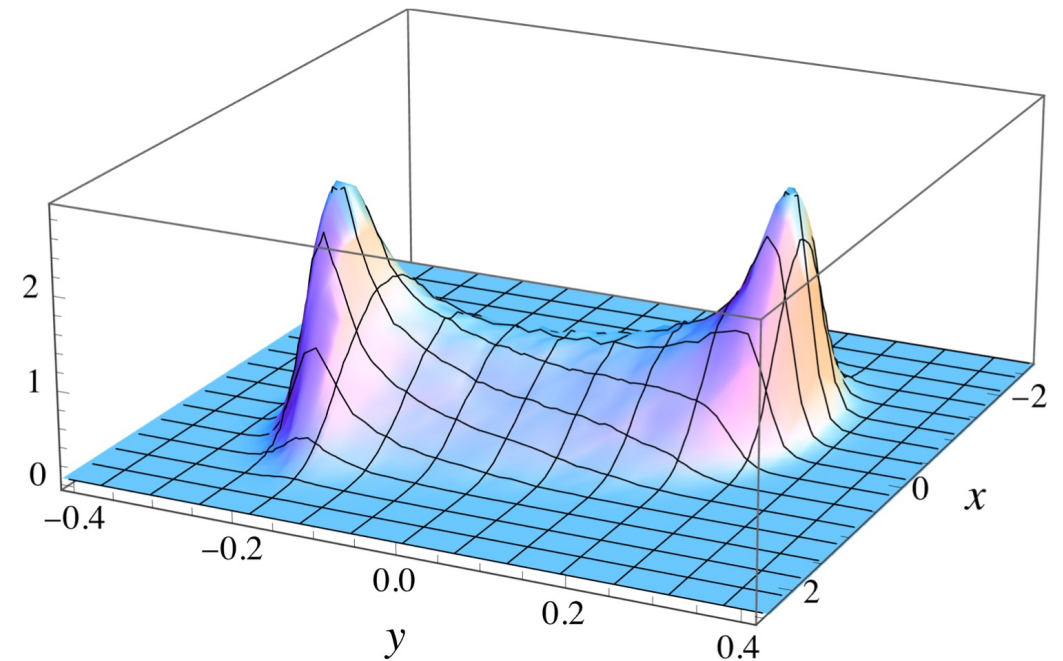
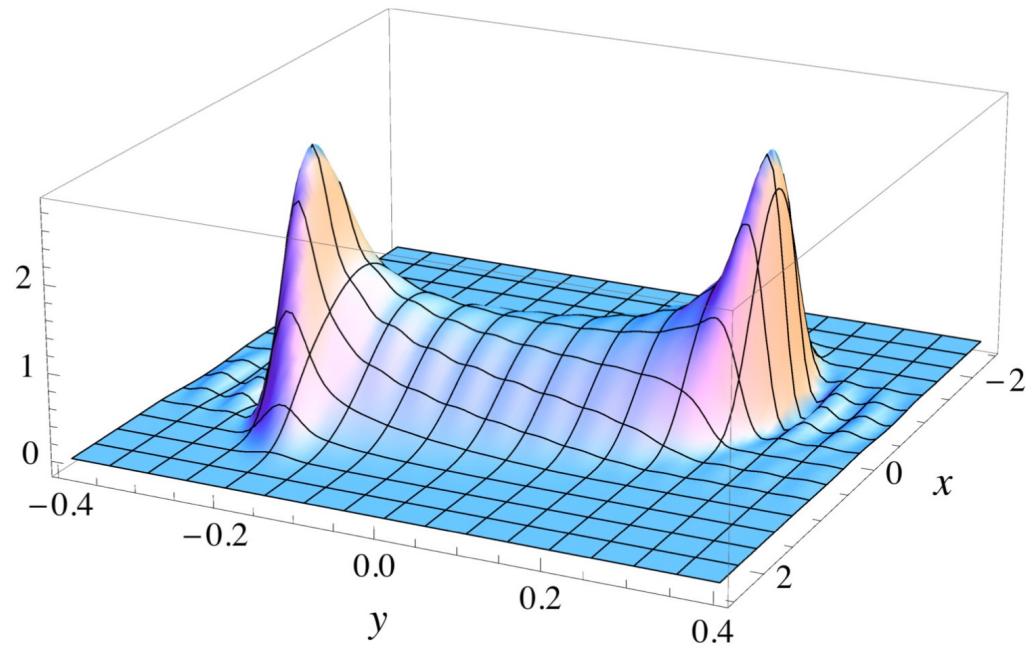
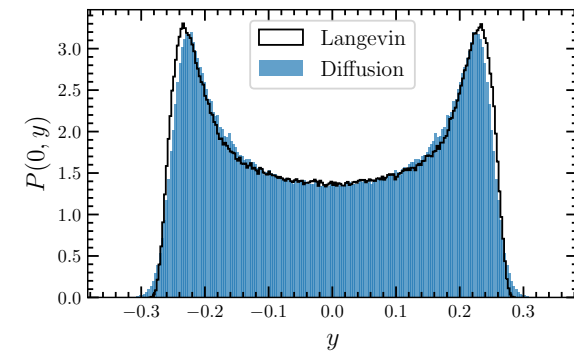
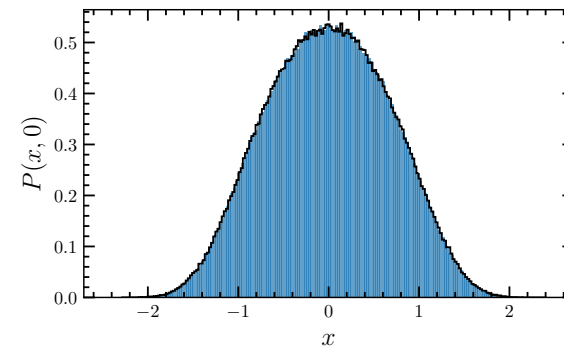
n	2		4		6		8	
	re	-im	re	-im	re	-im	re	-im
Exact	0.5	0.5	0	1.5	-3.75	3.75	-26.25	0
CL	0.4986(7)	0.4990(7)	-0.0018(1)	1.494(5)	-3.75(2)	3.75(3)	-26.4(3)	0.20(3)
DM	0.497(1)	0.491(1)	0.021(1)	1.476(7)	-3.65(3)	3.78(4)	-26.3(1)	0.81(68)

Quartic model

- simple model with quartic coupling $S = \frac{1}{2}\sigma_0 x^2 + \frac{1}{4}\lambda x^4$ $\sigma_0 = A + iB$
- detailed analysis in [GA, Giudice, Seiler, *Annals Phys.* **337** \(2013\) 238 \[1306.3075\]](#)
- CL converges, provided $3A^2 - B^2 > 0$, dynamics is contained inside a strip, $-y_- < y < y_-$
- this follows from CL drift
$$y_-^2 = \frac{A}{2\lambda} \left(1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{B^2}{3A^2}} \right)$$
- FPE can be solved (approximately) using double expansion in Hermite polynomials
- train diffusion model on CL generated data

Quartic model

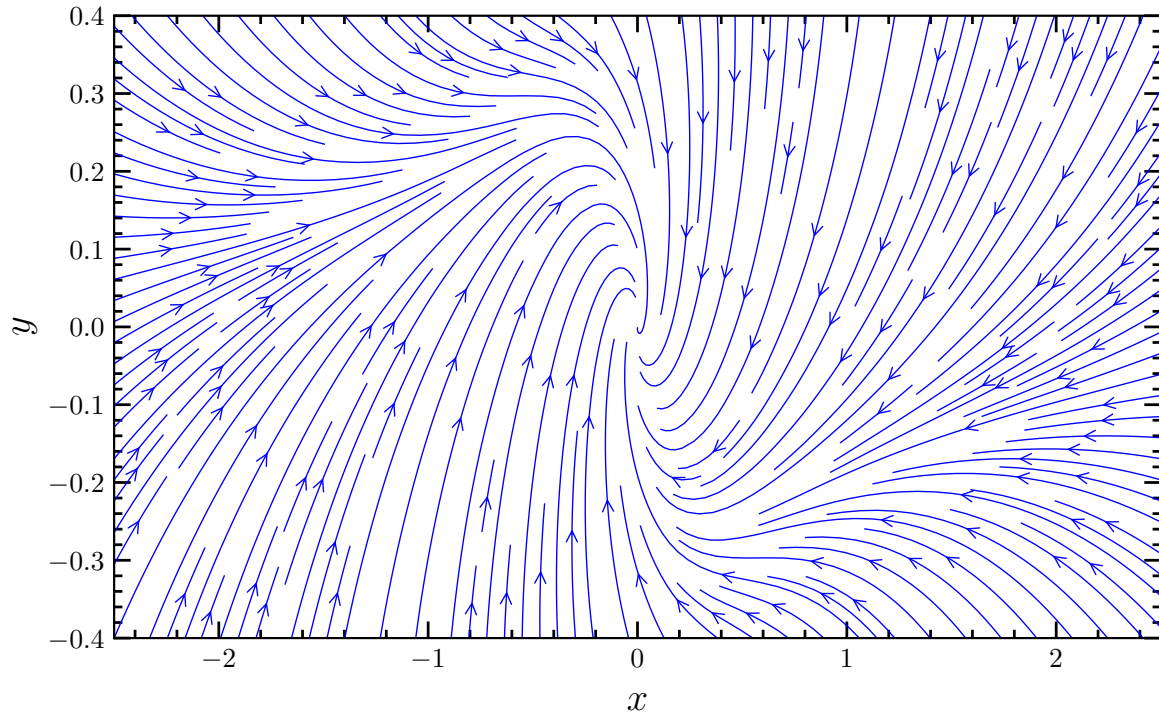
$$A = B = \lambda = 1$$
$$y_- \approx 0.3029$$



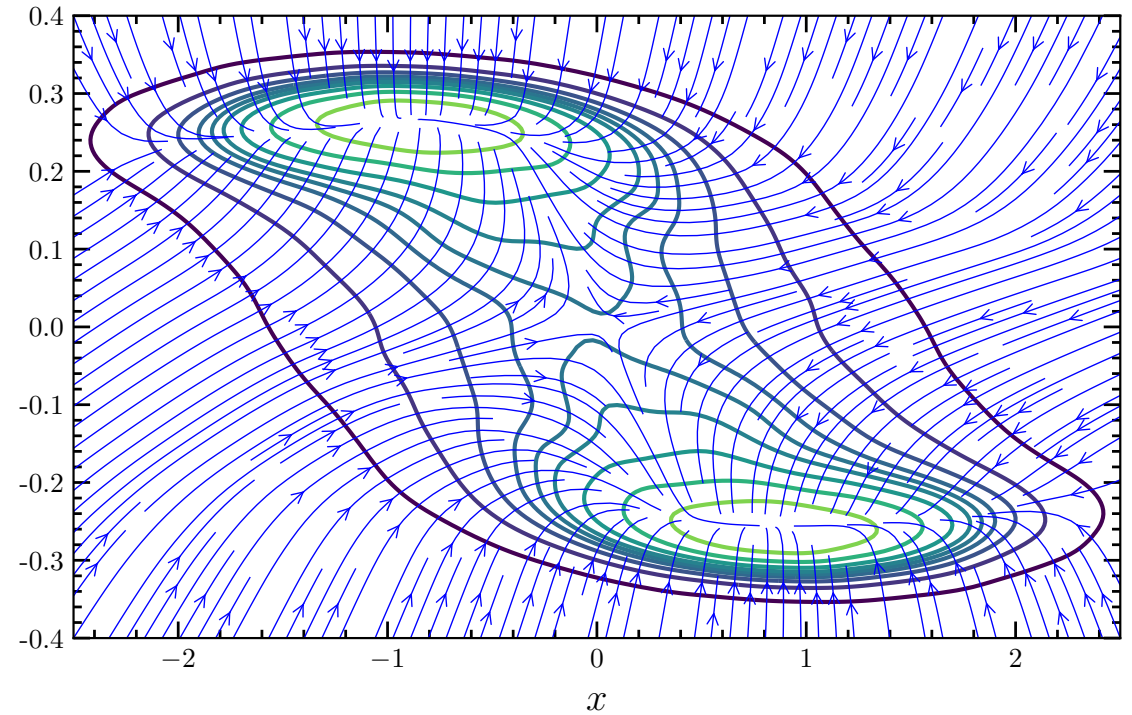
solution of FPE using double expansion in Hermite polynomials

solution obtained by sampling from trained diffusion model

Trained diffusion model: quartic model



complex Langevin drift



score from trained diffusion model

$$A = B = \lambda = 1$$

$$y_- \approx 0.3029$$

Comparison

cumulants in the quartic model

n	2		4		6		8	
	re	-im	re	-im	re	-im	re	-im
Exact	0.428142	0.148010	-0.060347	-0.100083	-0.00934	0.19222	0.41578	-0.5923
CL	0.4277(5)	0.1478(2)	-0.0597(6)	-0.0991(6)	-0.010(1)	0.188(2)	0.406(4)	-0.57(1)
DM	0.4267(6)	0.1459(2)	-0.0582(6)	-0.0981(5)	-0.008(1)	0.188(2)	0.400(5)	-0.58(1)

expectation values at the end of the backward process

note: diffusion model learns from CL data, not the “exact” value

Trained diffusion model: quartic model

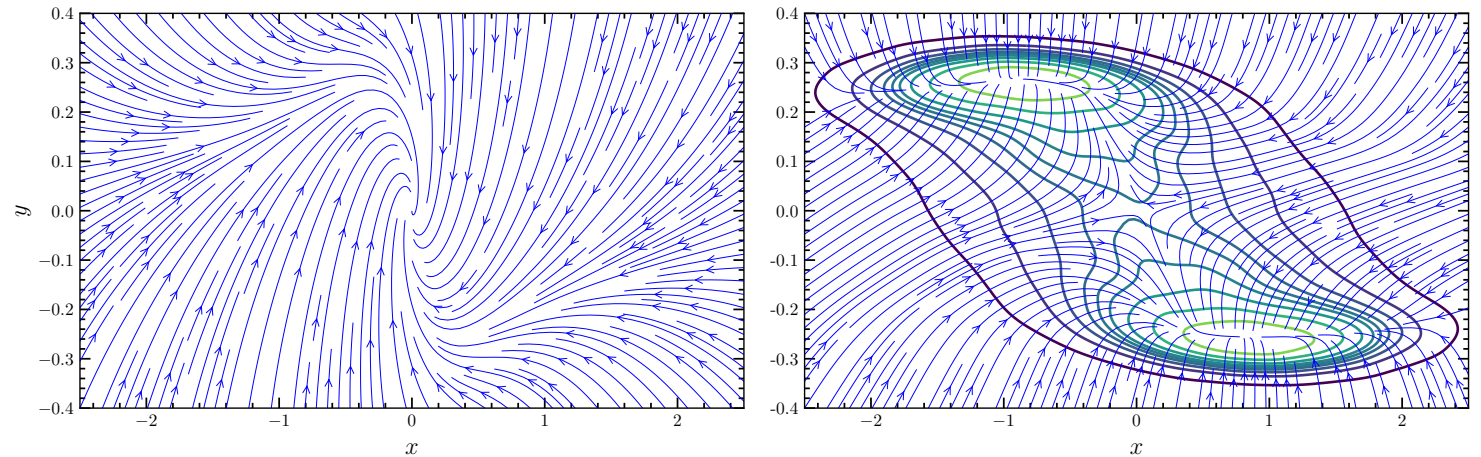
very different processes

complex Langevin:

- non-integrable drift
- noise in real direction
- attractor at origin

diffusion model:

- integrable score
- noise in both directions
- saddle at origin



different Fokker-Planck equations

yet same distributions are created for data generation

have obtained access to $\nabla \log P(x, y)$

Summary and outlook

- diffusion models offer a new approach for ensemble generation to explore in LFT
- learn from data: requires high-quality ensembles
- close relation to stochastic quantisation
- moment- and cumulant-generating functionals
 - higher n -point functions important in LFT applications
- apply to complex actions/complex Langevin: DMs learn elusive real-valued distributions
- in progress: apply to theories with fermions
 - auxiliary field bosonic models, or DMs learn presence of fermions implicitly

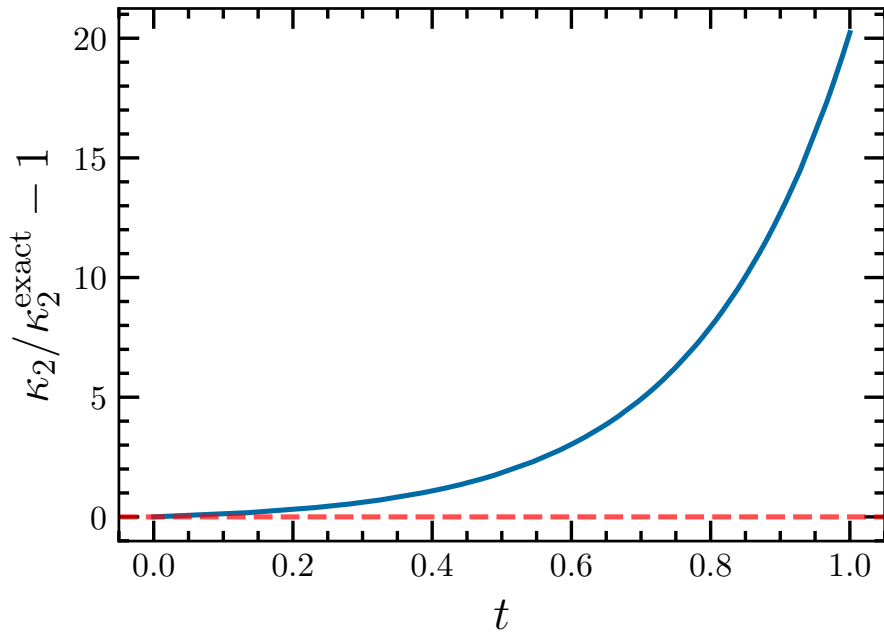
BACKUP SLIDES

2nd cumulant without drift

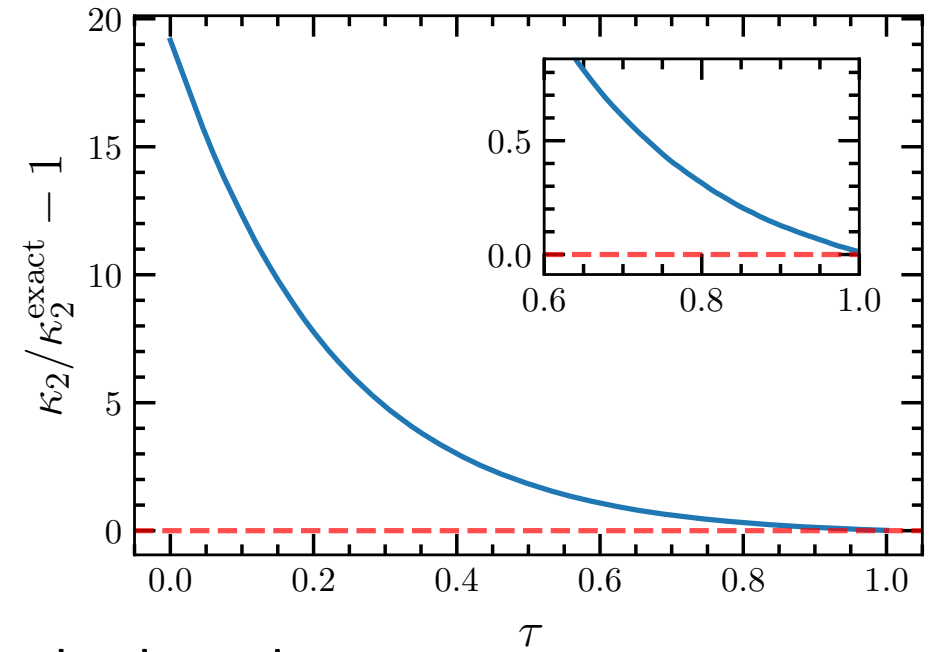
- variance-expanding scheme

$$\kappa_2(t) = \kappa_2(0) + \Xi(t)$$

$$\Xi(t) = \int_0^t ds g^2(s) \sim \sigma^{2t/T}$$



forward



backward

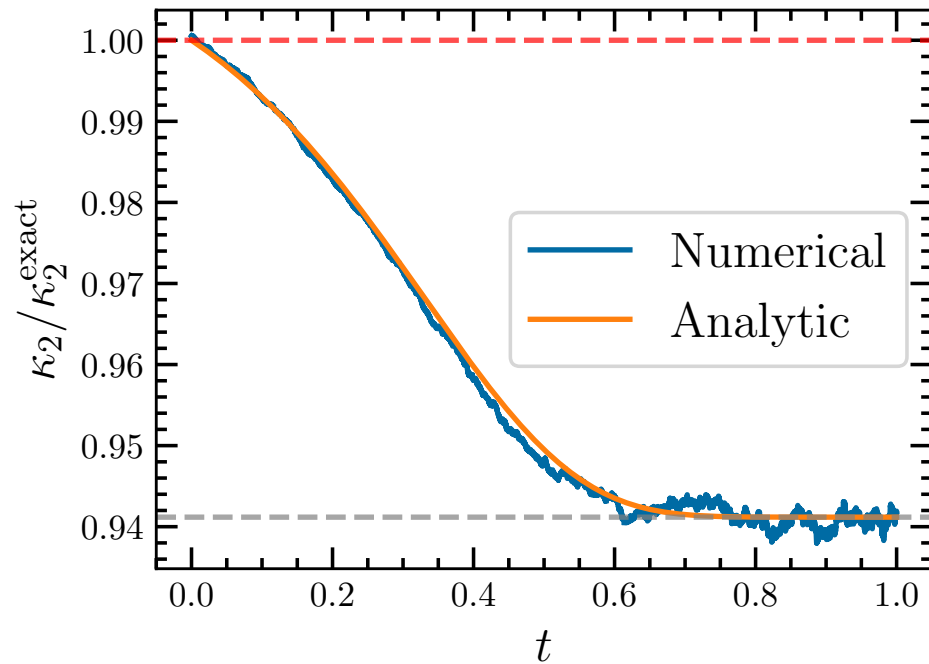
$$f(t, s) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}u(t) + \frac{1}{2}u(s)}$$

$$u(t) = \int_0^t ds g^2(s)$$

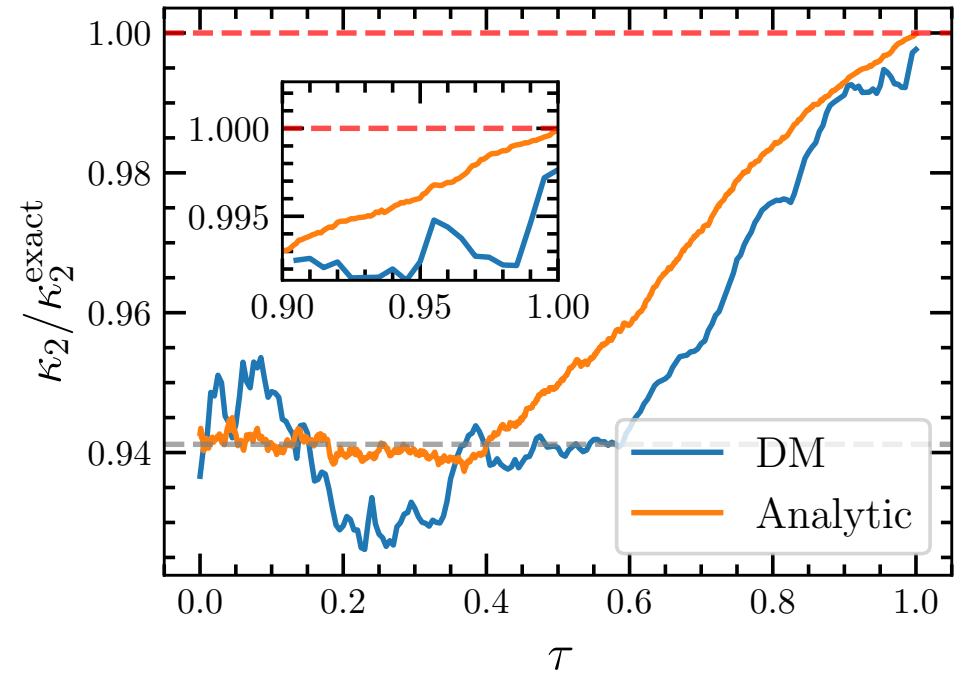
2nd cumulant with drift (DDPM)

- variance-preserving scheme

$$\kappa_2(t) = \mu^2(t) + \sigma^2(t) = (\mu_0^2 + \sigma_0^2 - 1) f^2(t, 0) + 1$$



forward



backward

analytic = analytic score