

Simulating the Hubbard Model with Normalizing Flows

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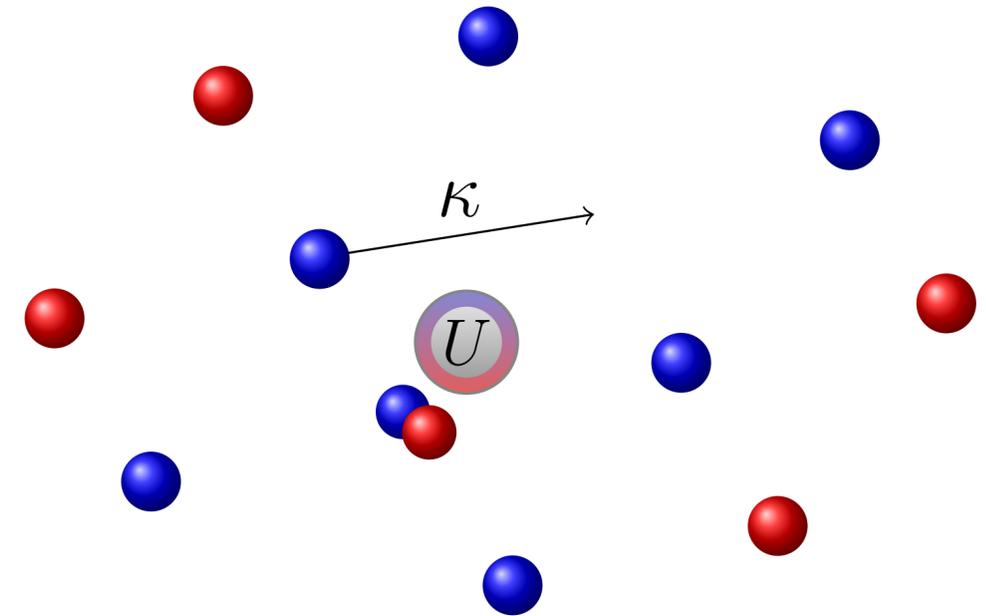
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Hubbard Model

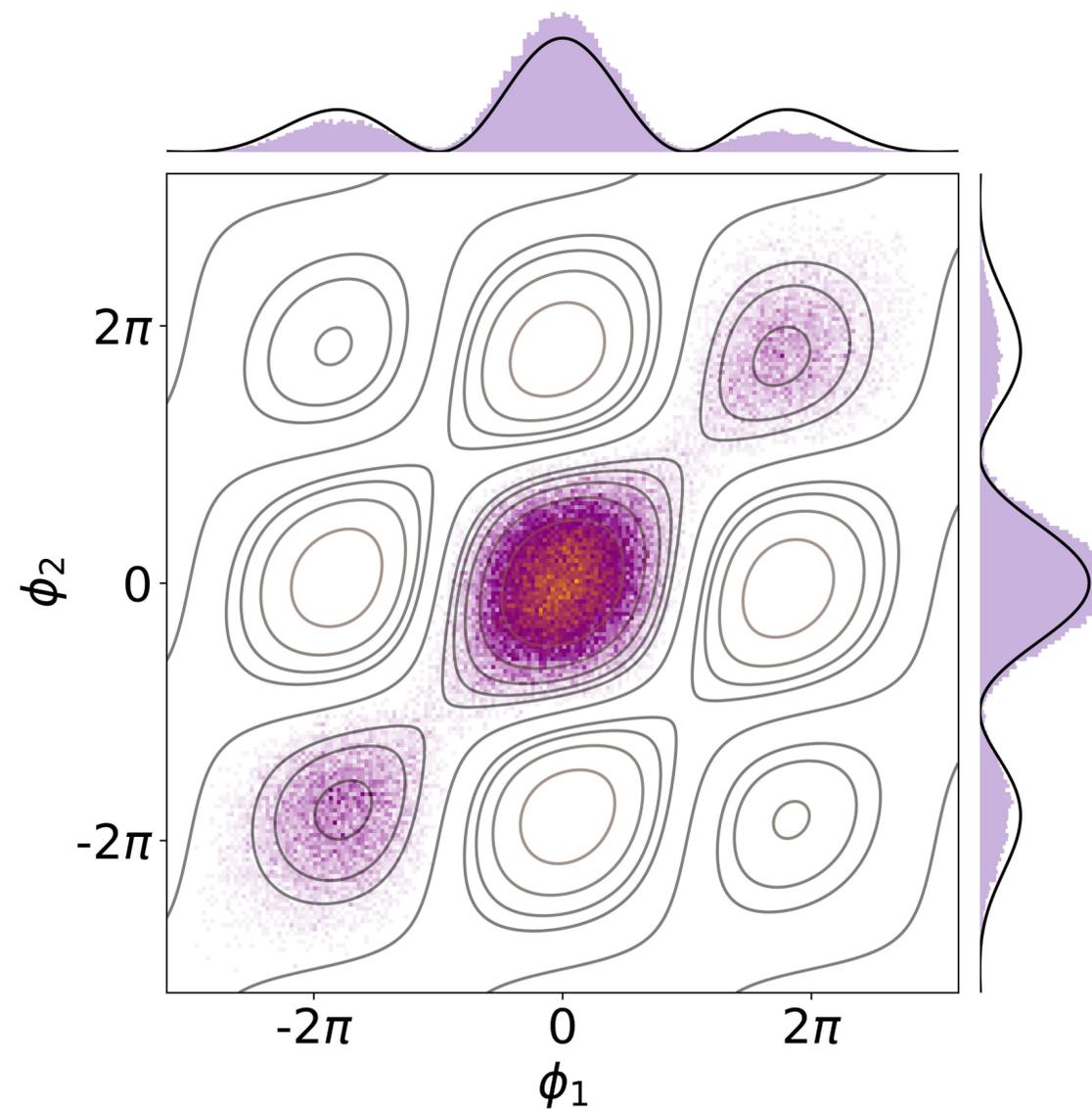
$$H = \underbrace{-\kappa \sum_{\langle x,y \rangle} (a_{x,\uparrow}^\dagger a_{y,\uparrow} + a_{x,\downarrow}^\dagger a_{y,\downarrow})}_{\text{tight-binding}} - \underbrace{\frac{U}{2} \sum_x (n_{x,\uparrow} - n_{x,\downarrow})^2}_{\text{on-site interaction}}$$

- Used to describe carbon nanomaterial, e.g. graphene
- Apply Hubbard-Stratanovich transformation to describe the system with bosonic auxiliary fields ϕ

$$S = \frac{1}{2\tilde{U}} \sum_{x,t} \phi_{x,t}^2 - \log \det M[\phi] - \log \det M[-\phi]$$

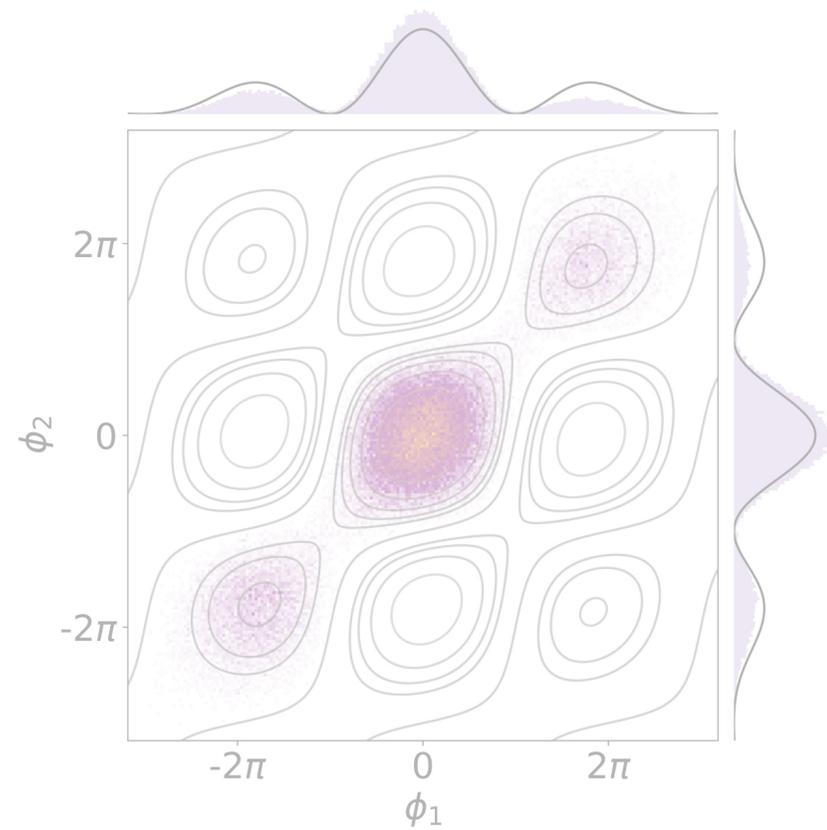


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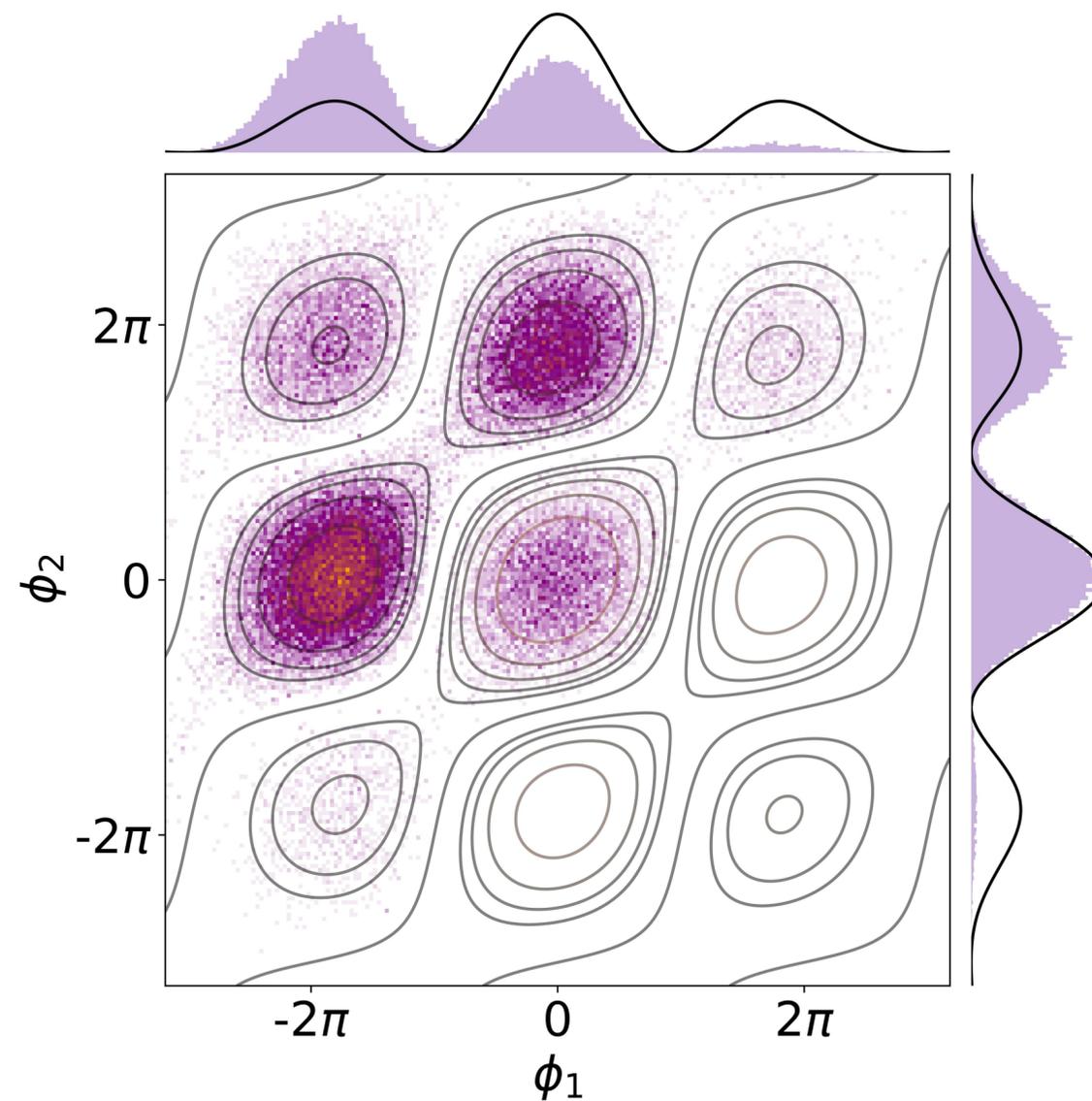


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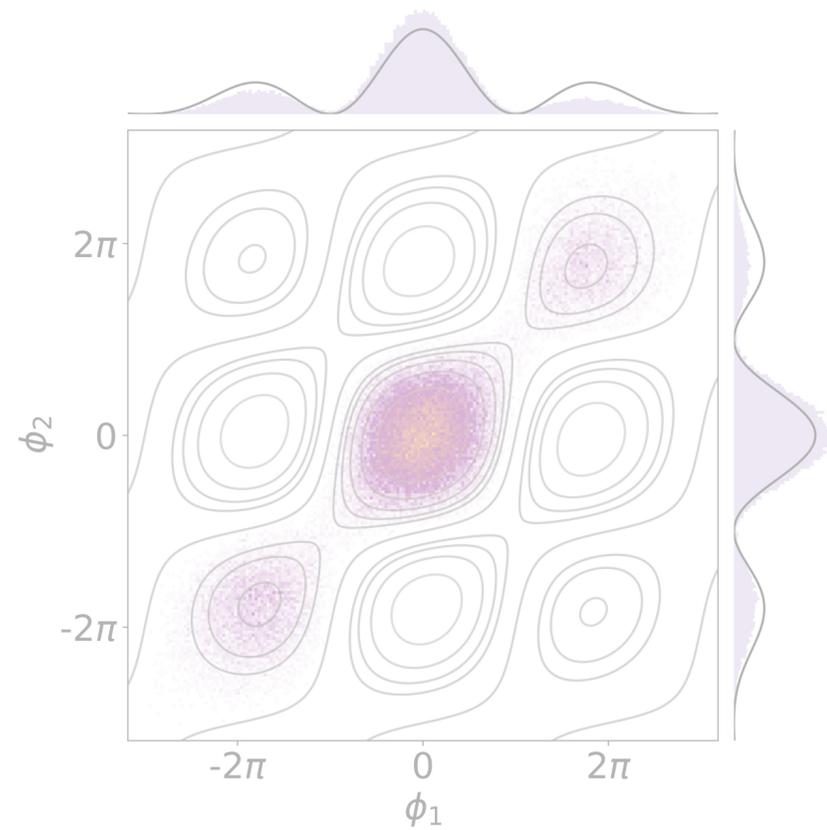


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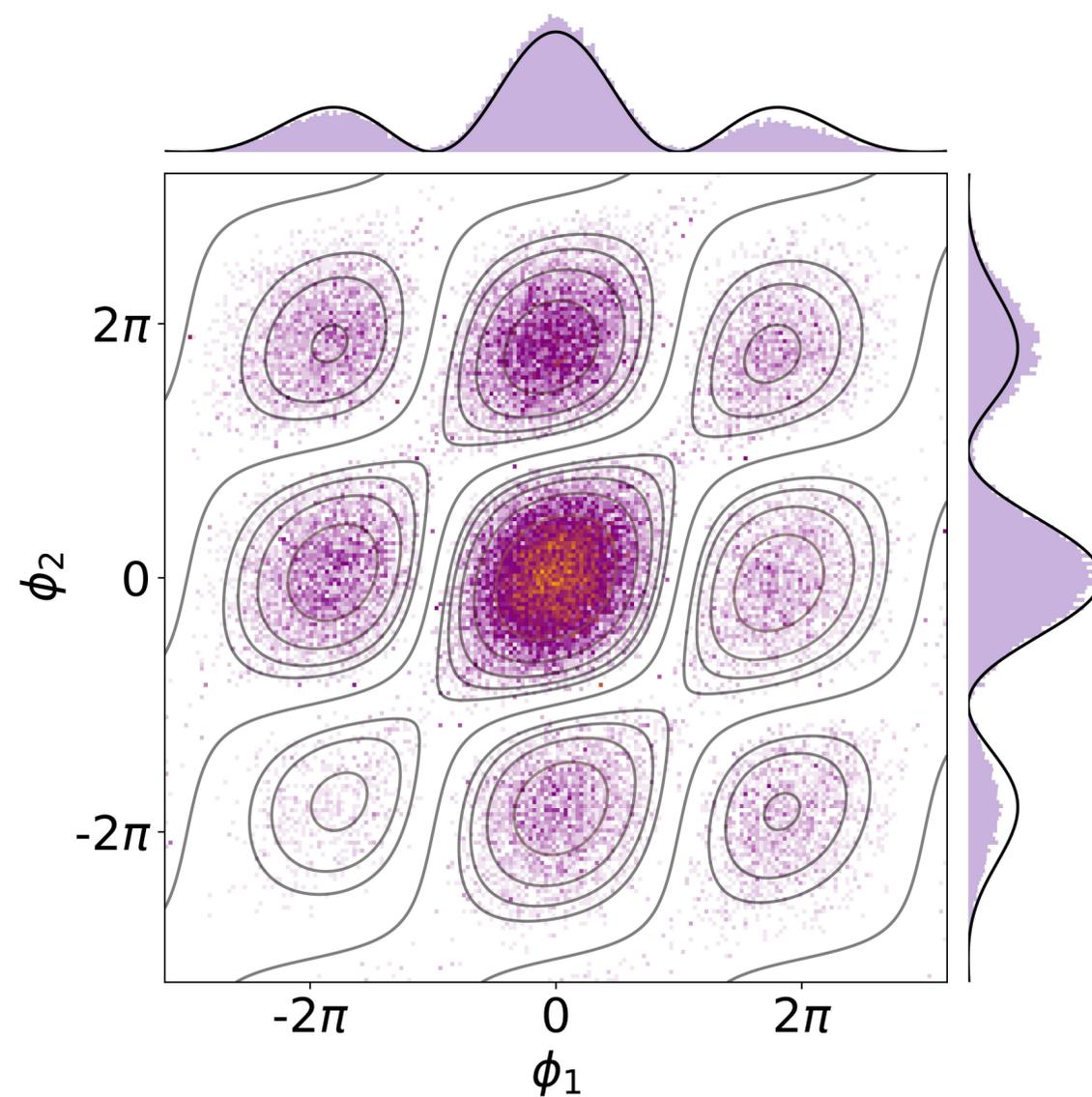


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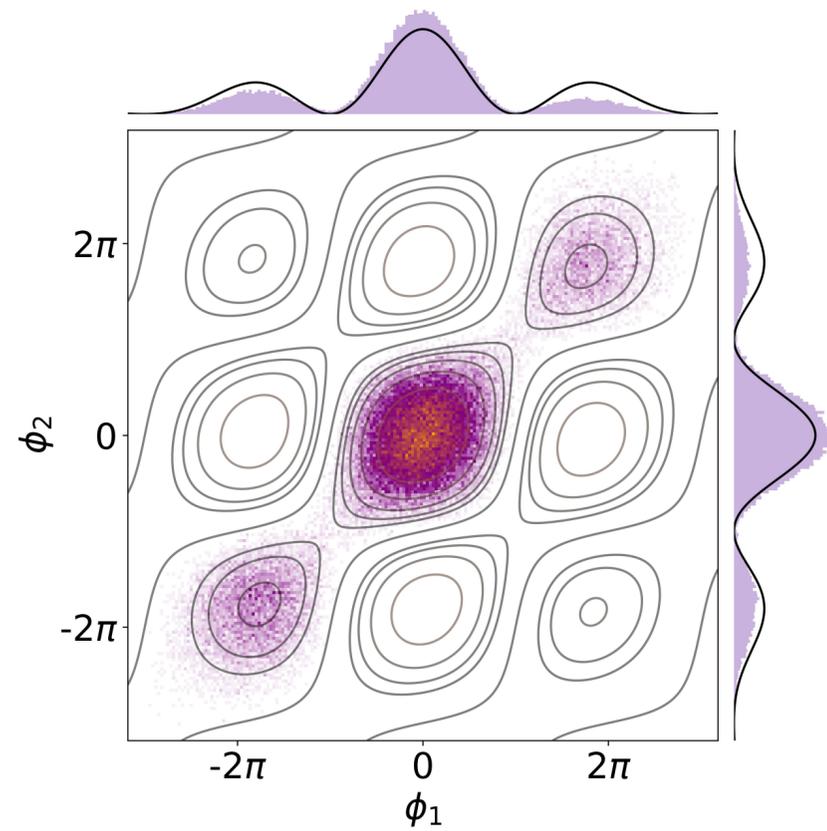


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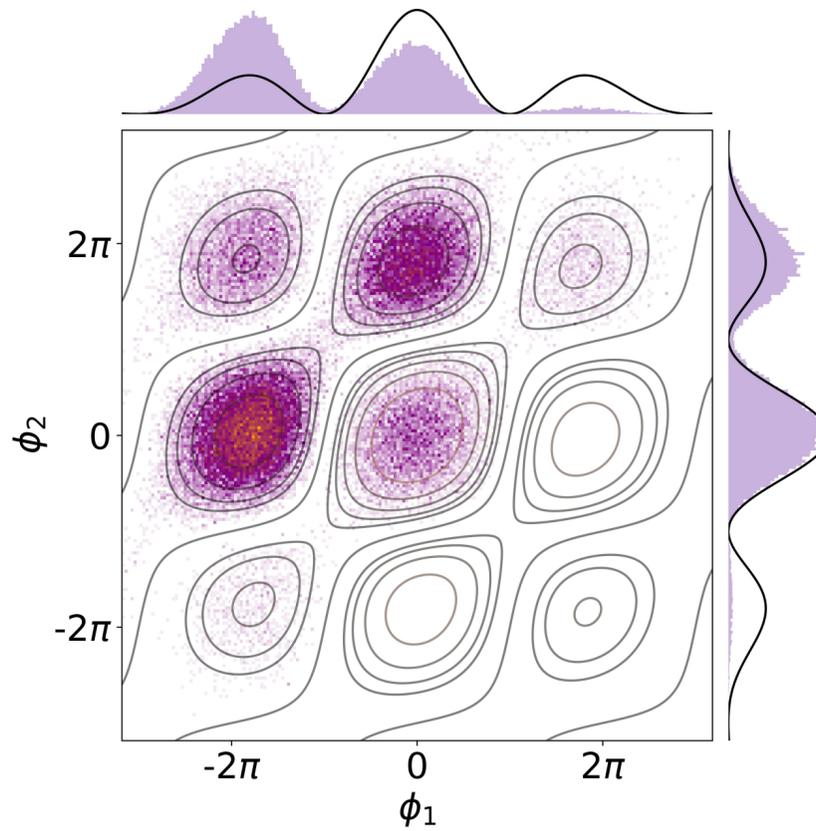


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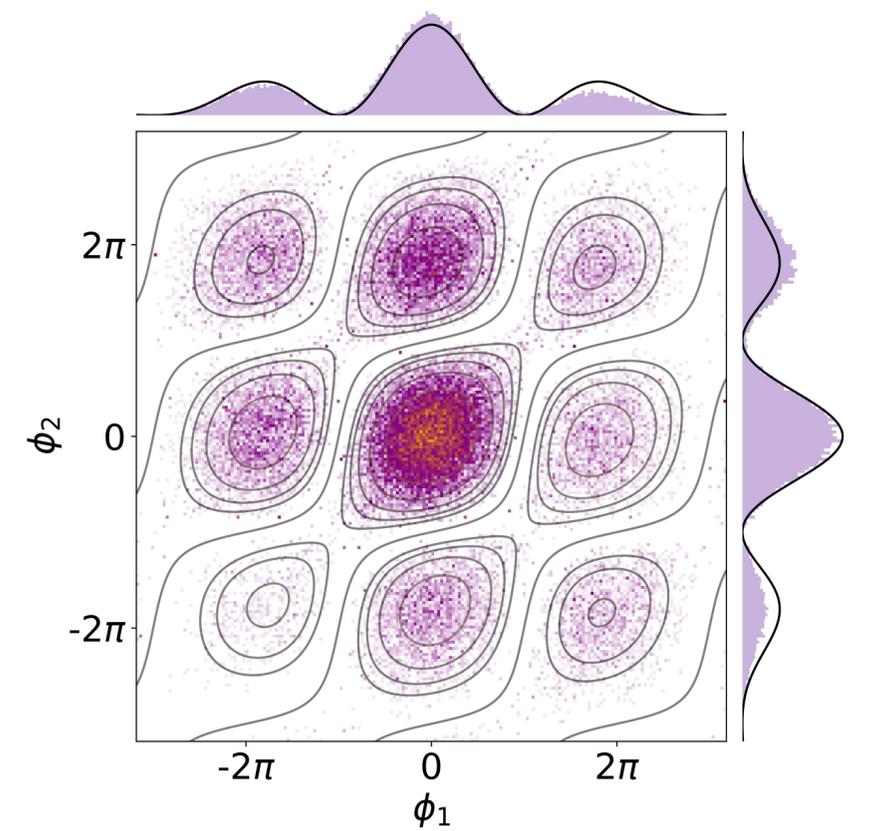
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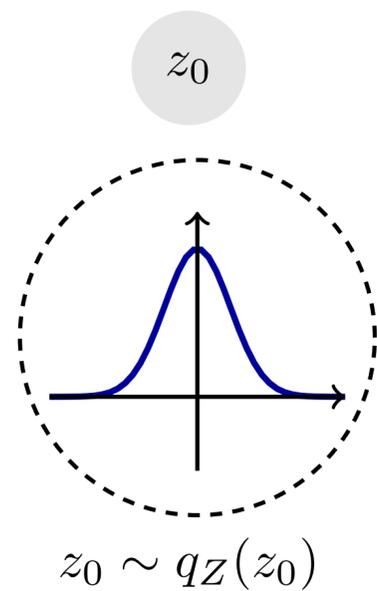


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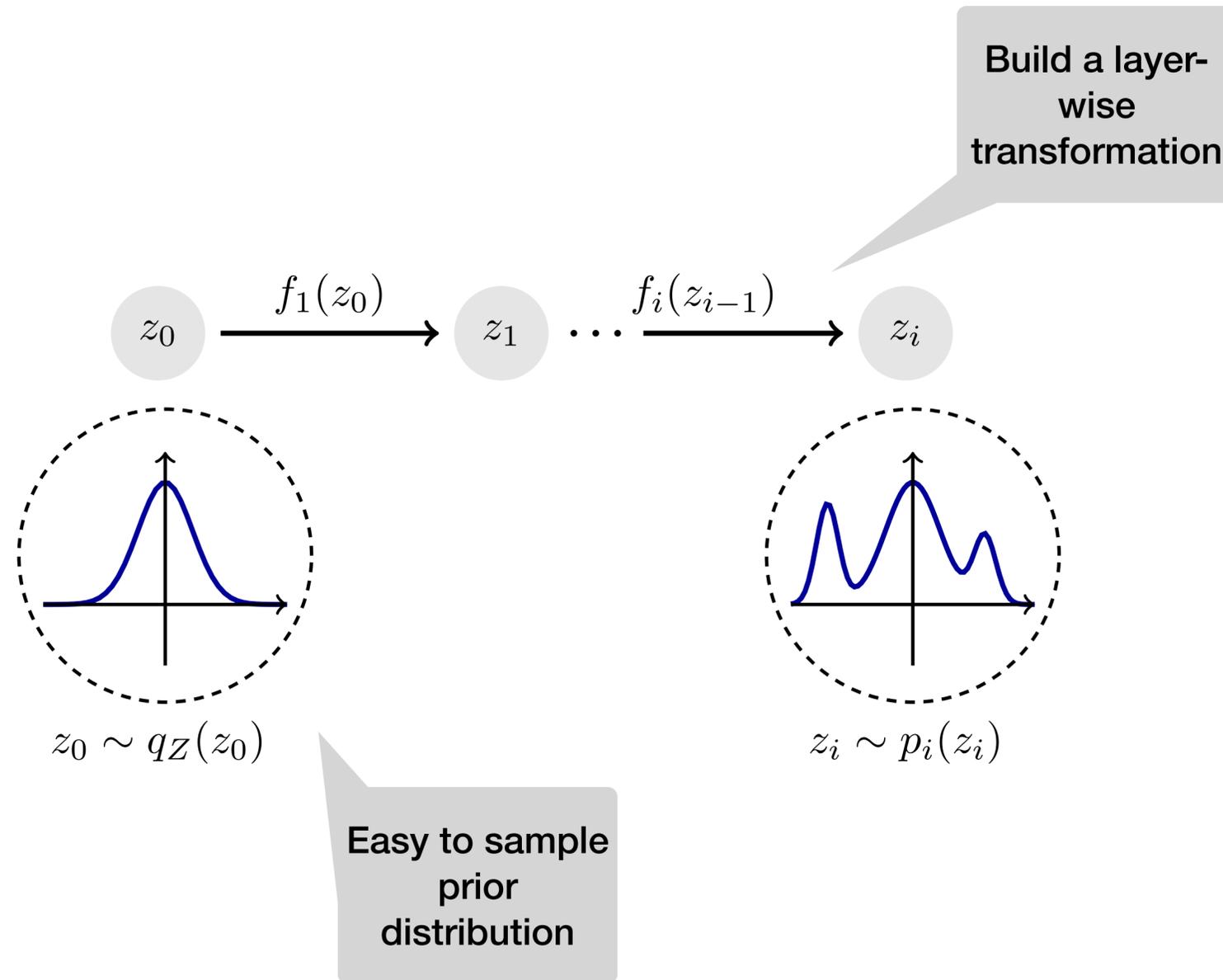
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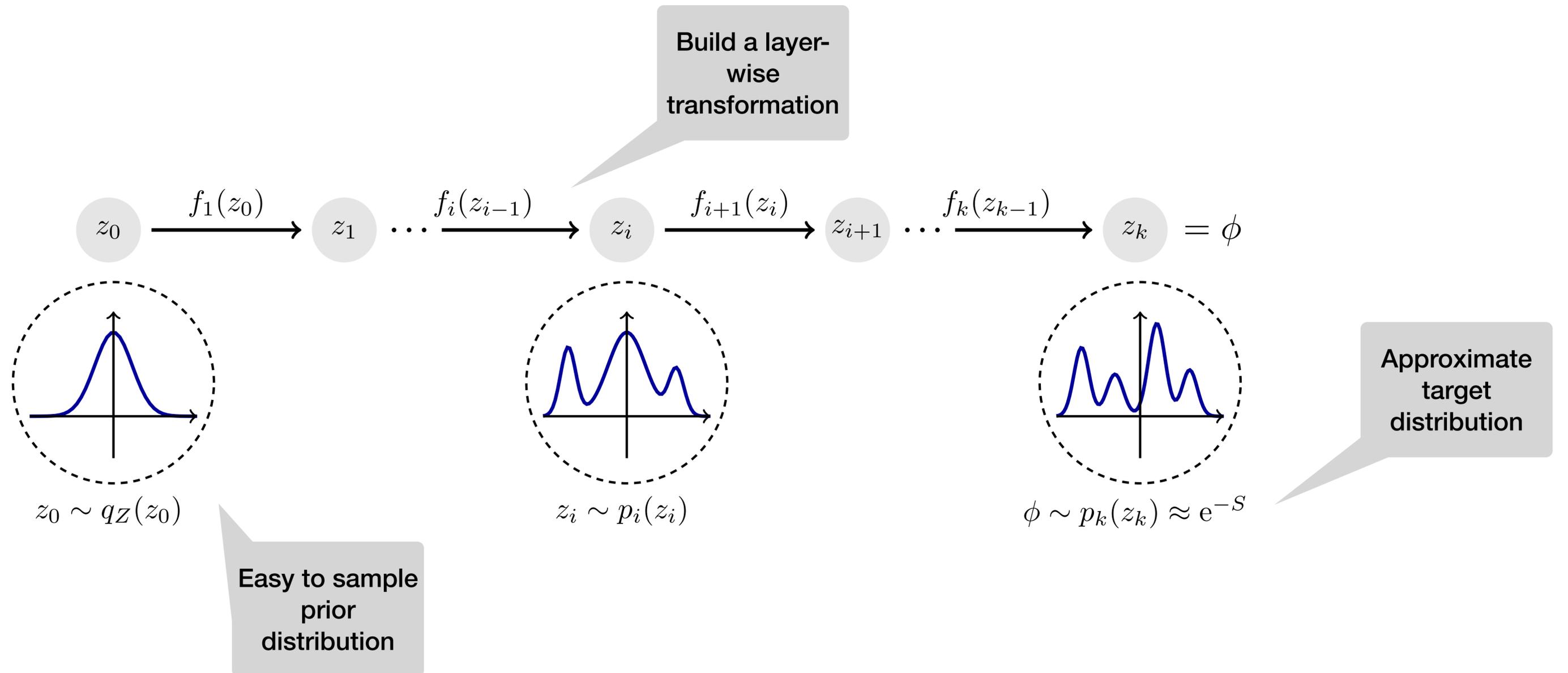


Easy to sample
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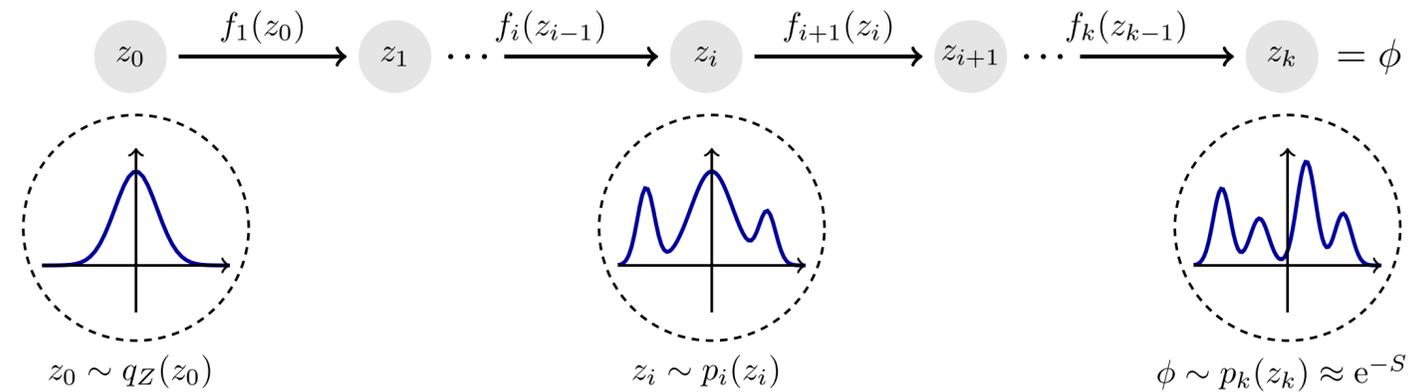
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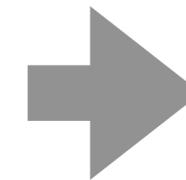


Normalizing Flows



Advantages

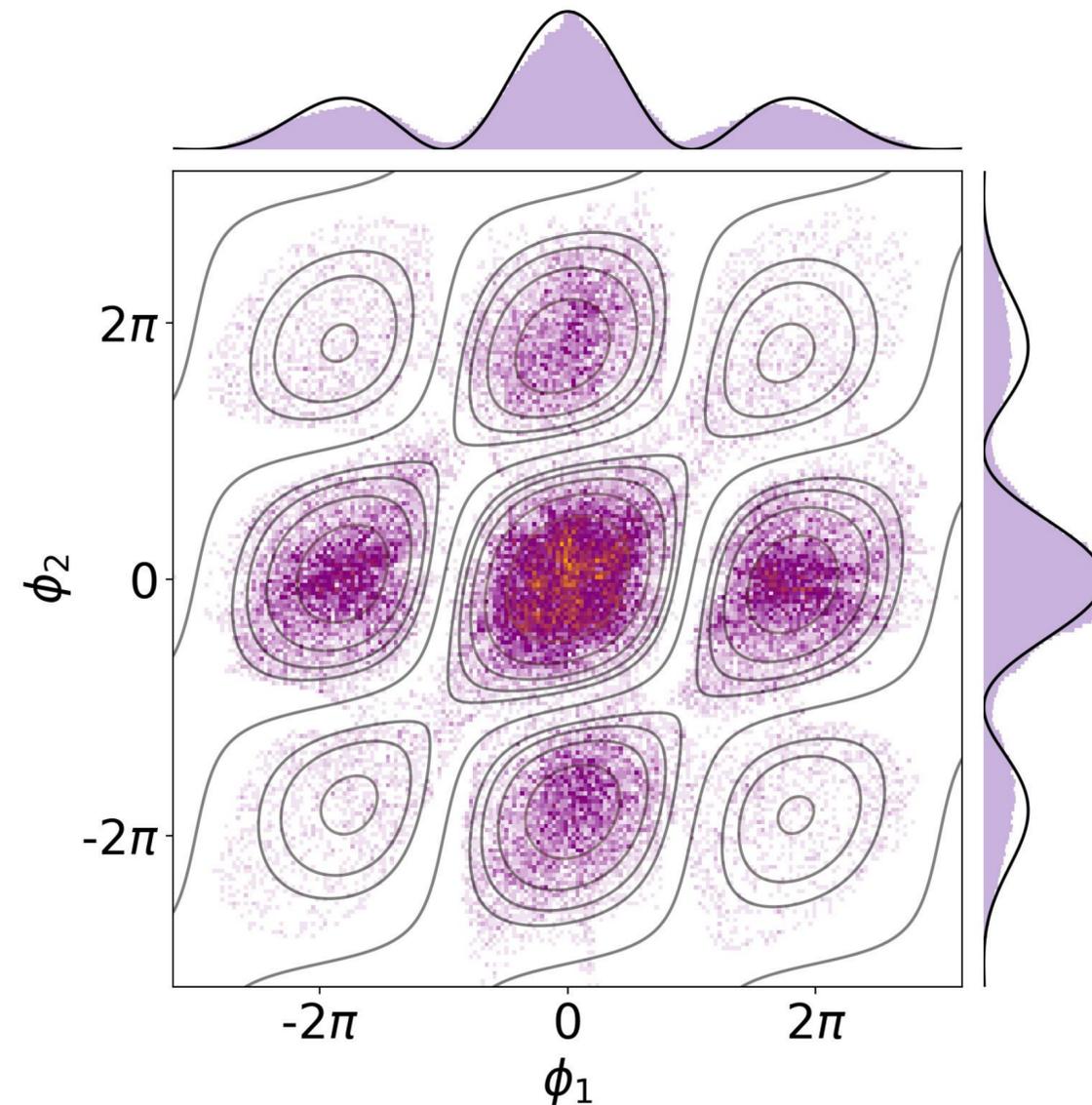
- Embarrassingly parallel sampling
- Independent and identically distributed (i.i.d) samples -> small autocorrelation times
- Correctly normalized distribution → estimation of thermodynamic observables



Already been applied to :

- 3+1D LQCD
Abbot, et al., 2024
- Fermionic lattice field theories
Albergo, et al., 2021
- Thermodynamic observables
Nicoli, et. al., 2020
- ϕ^4 -Theory
Albergo, et al., 2019
- ...

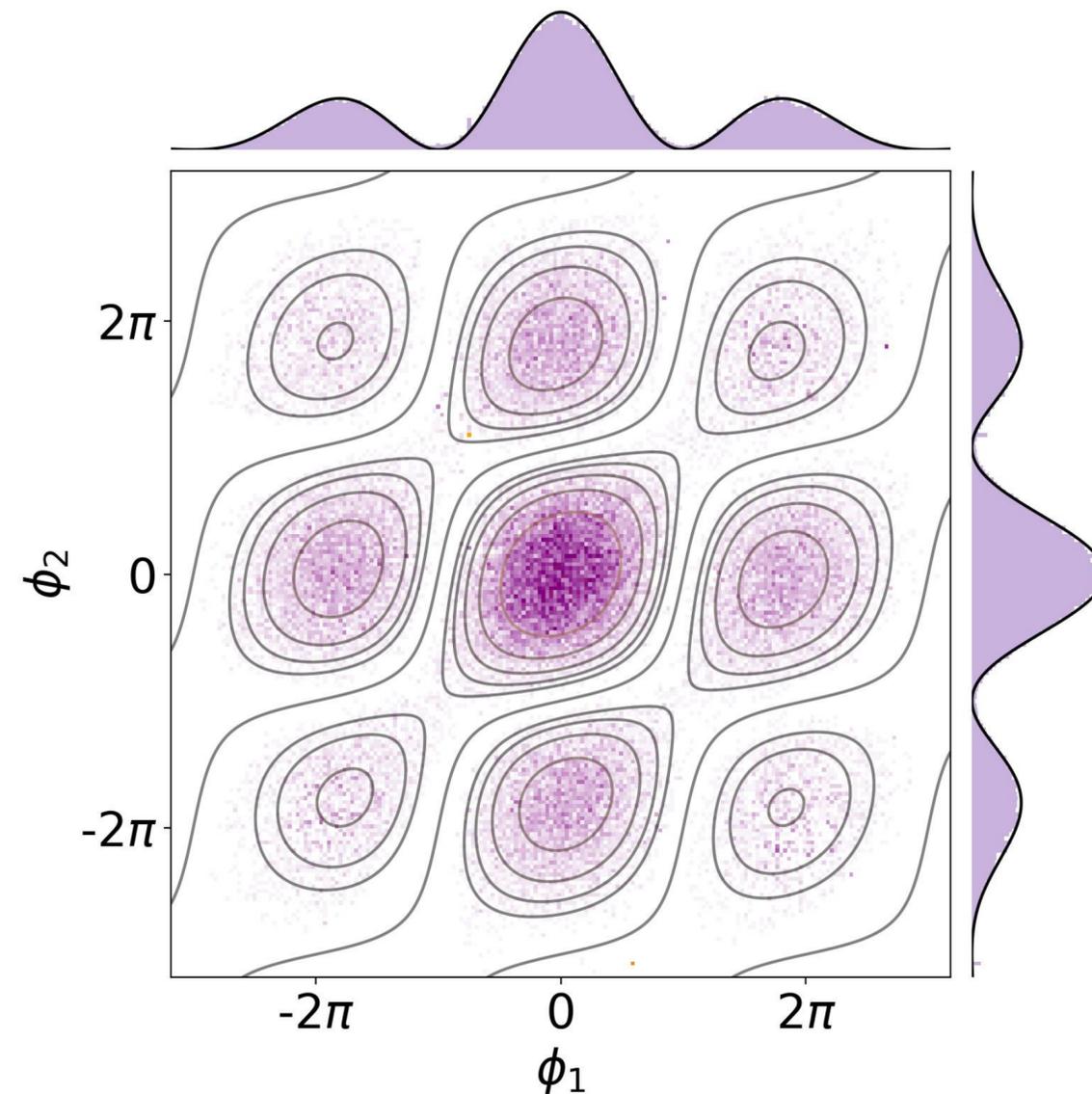
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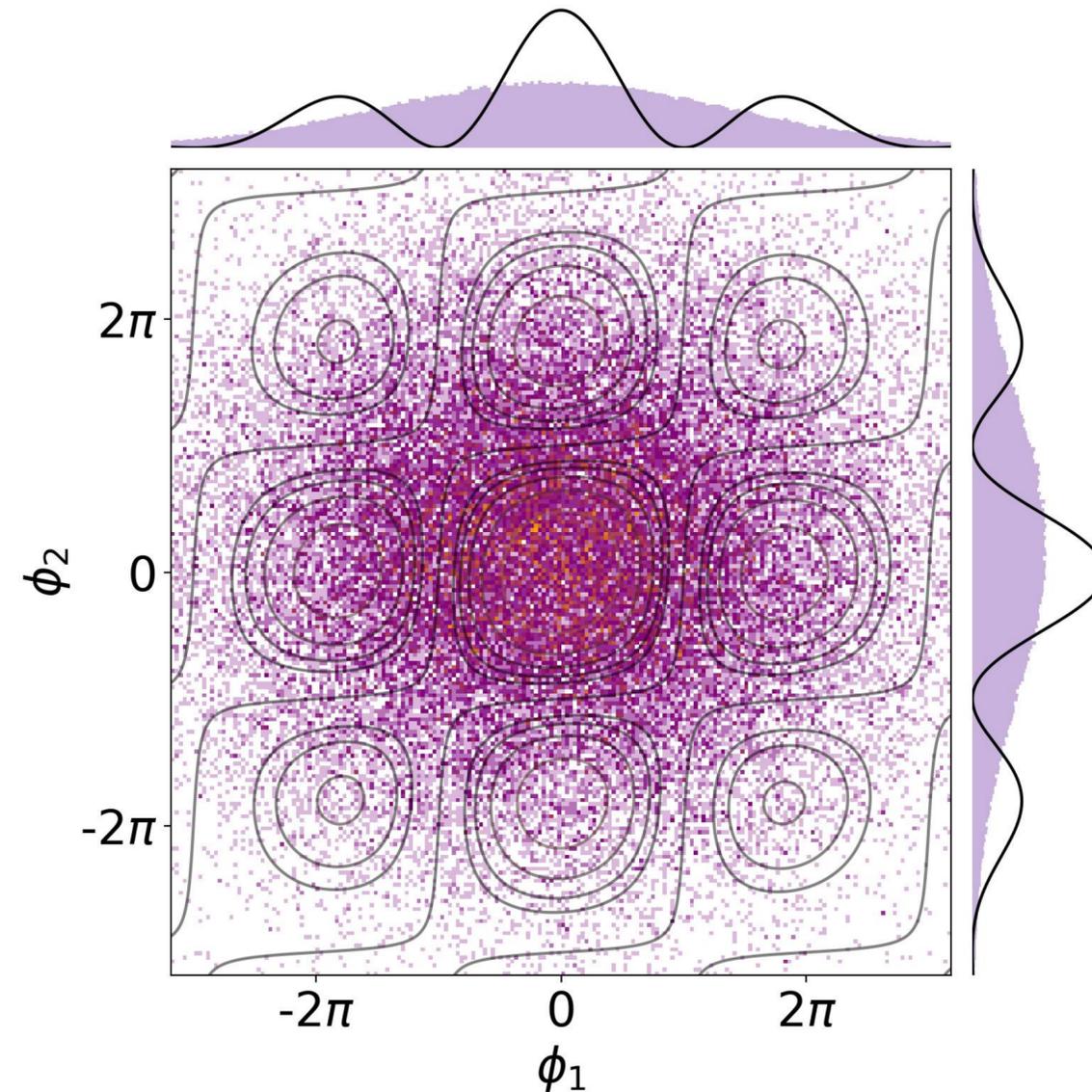
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74.2% acceptance rate

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$$\tau_{\text{HMC}} = 443 \pm 136$$

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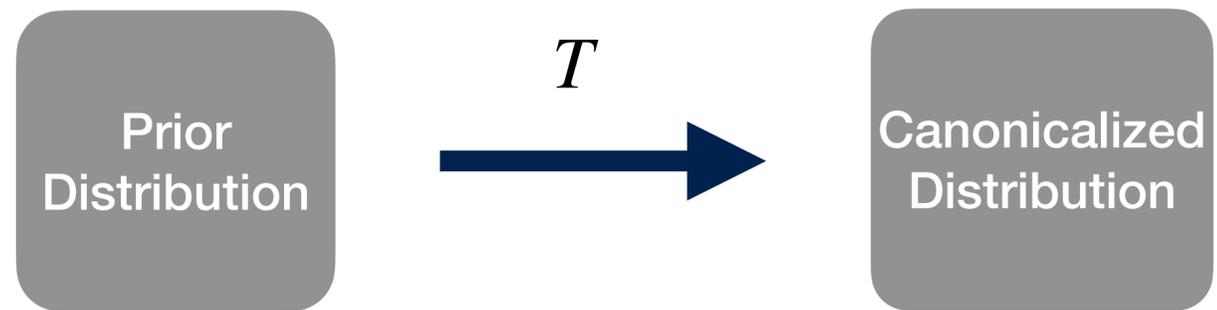


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Equivariant Normalizing Flows

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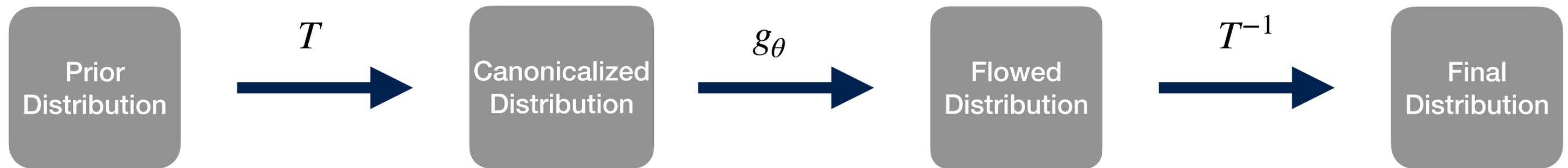
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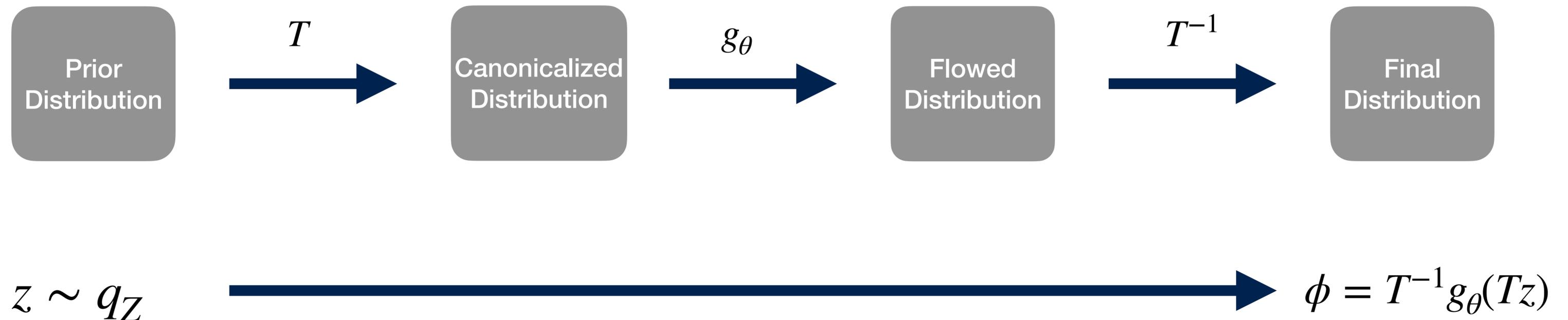
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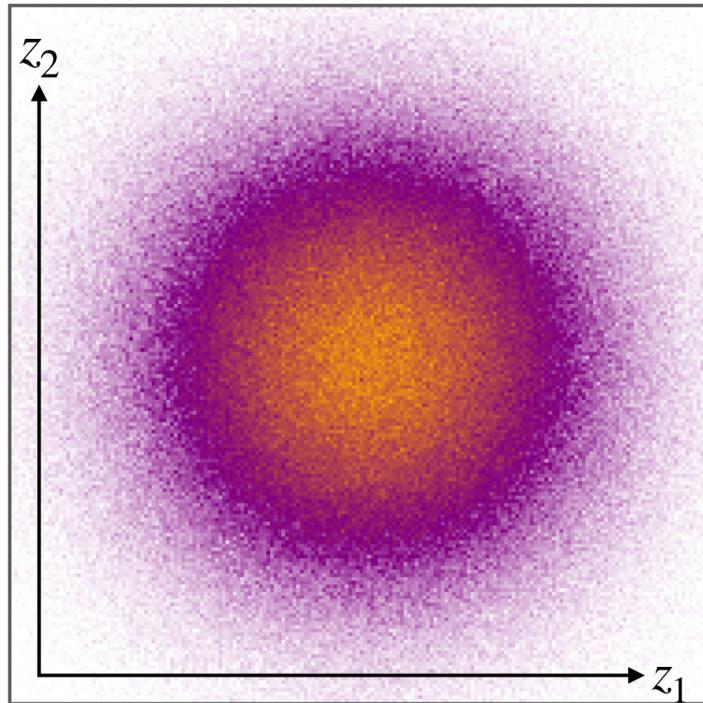


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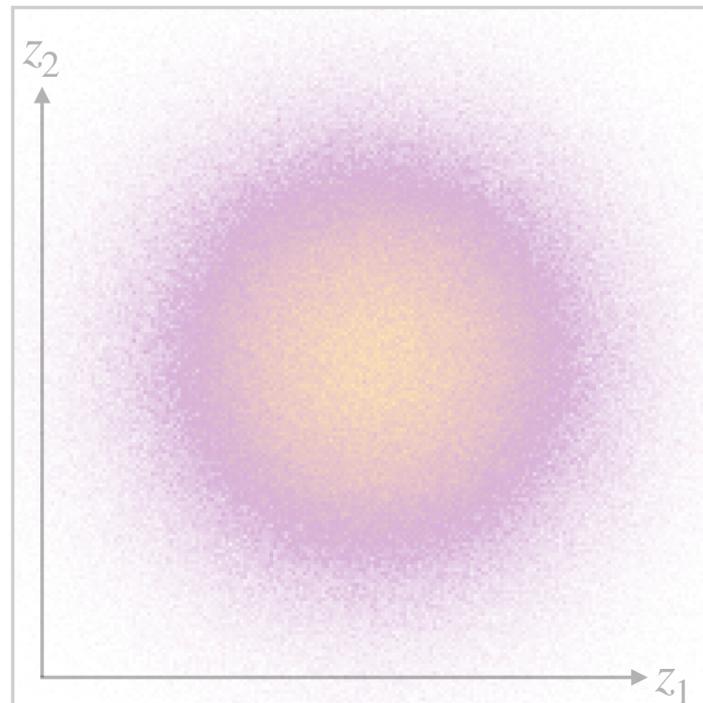
See also: J. Köhler et al., 2020, D. Boyda et al., 2021

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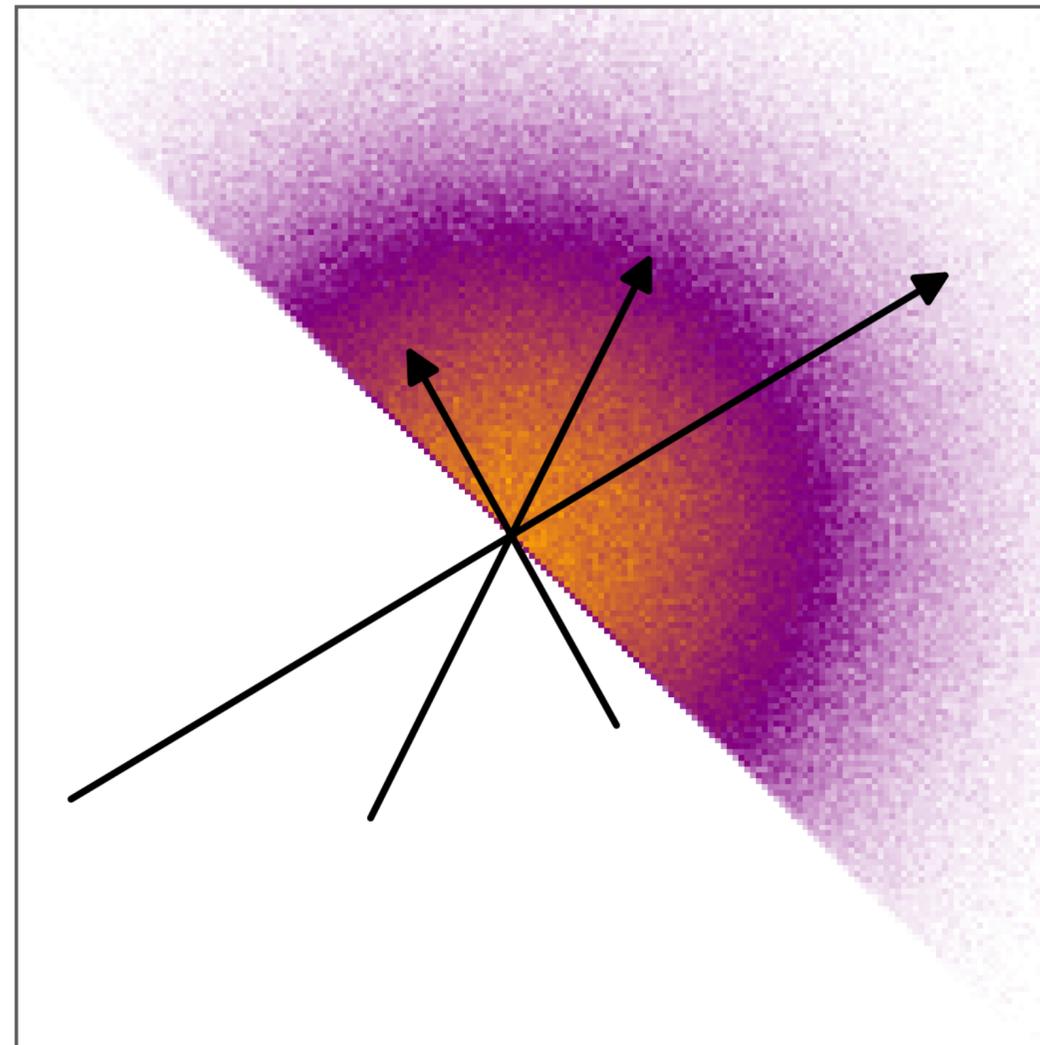


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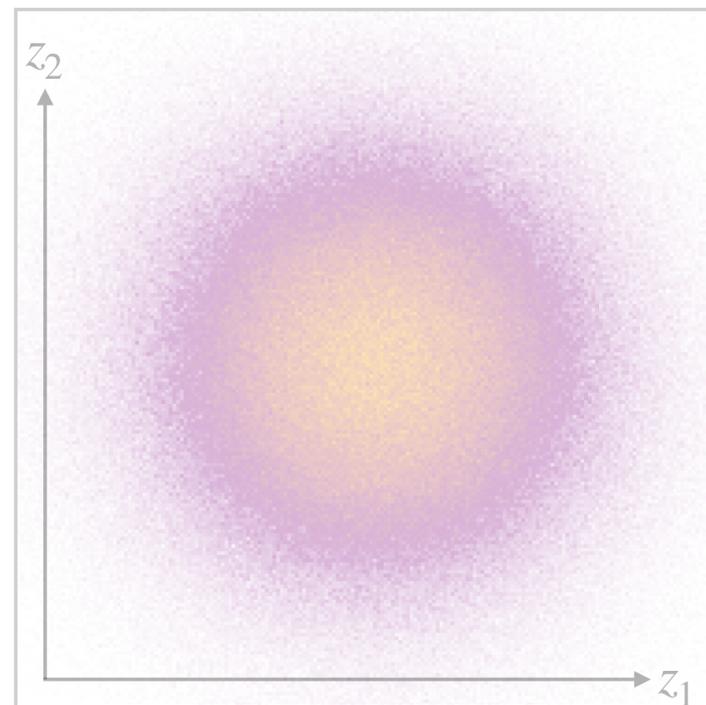
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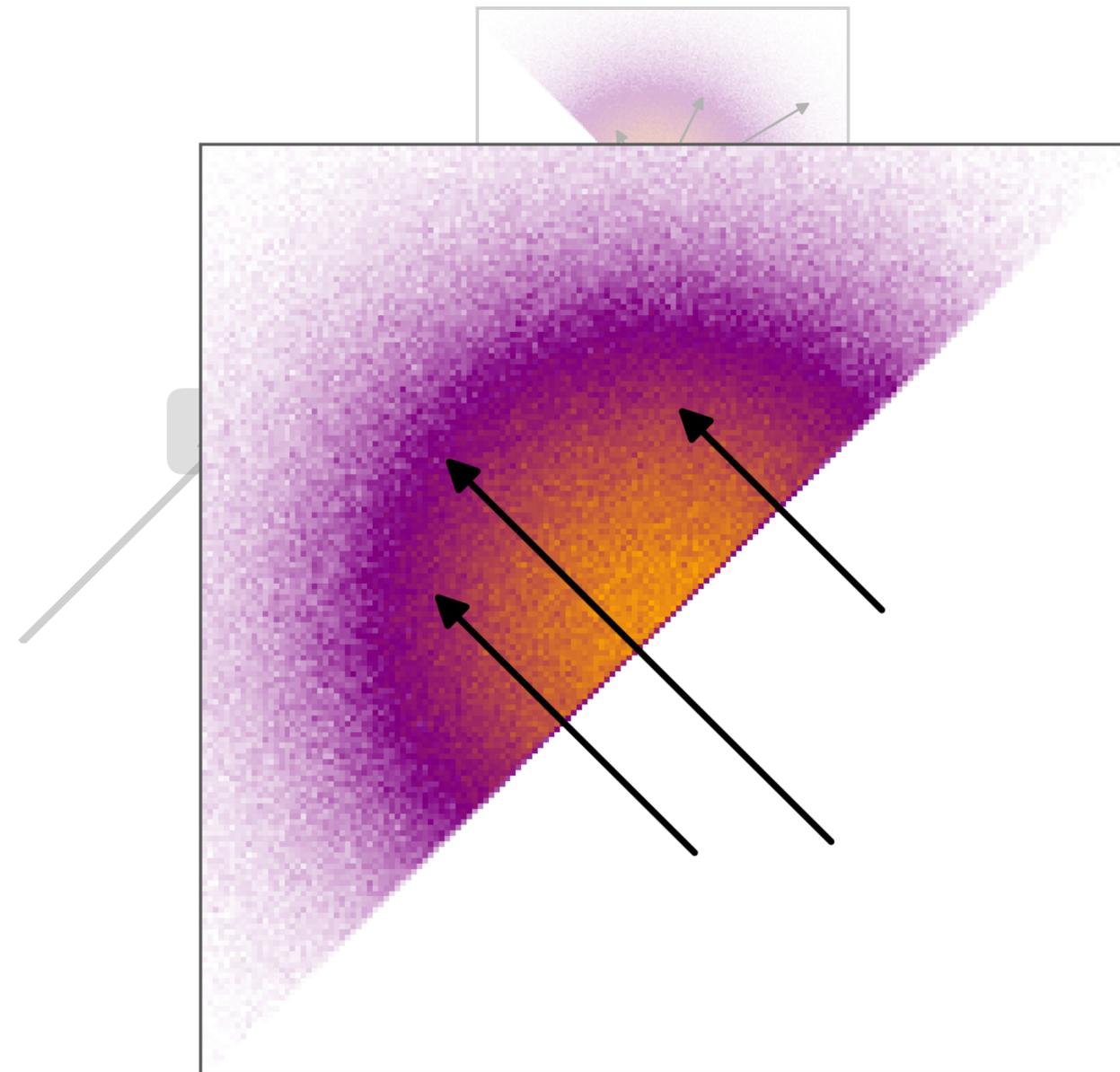
Z_2 Symmetry

$$z \rightarrow \begin{cases} z & \text{if } z_1 + z_2 \geq 0 \\ -z & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

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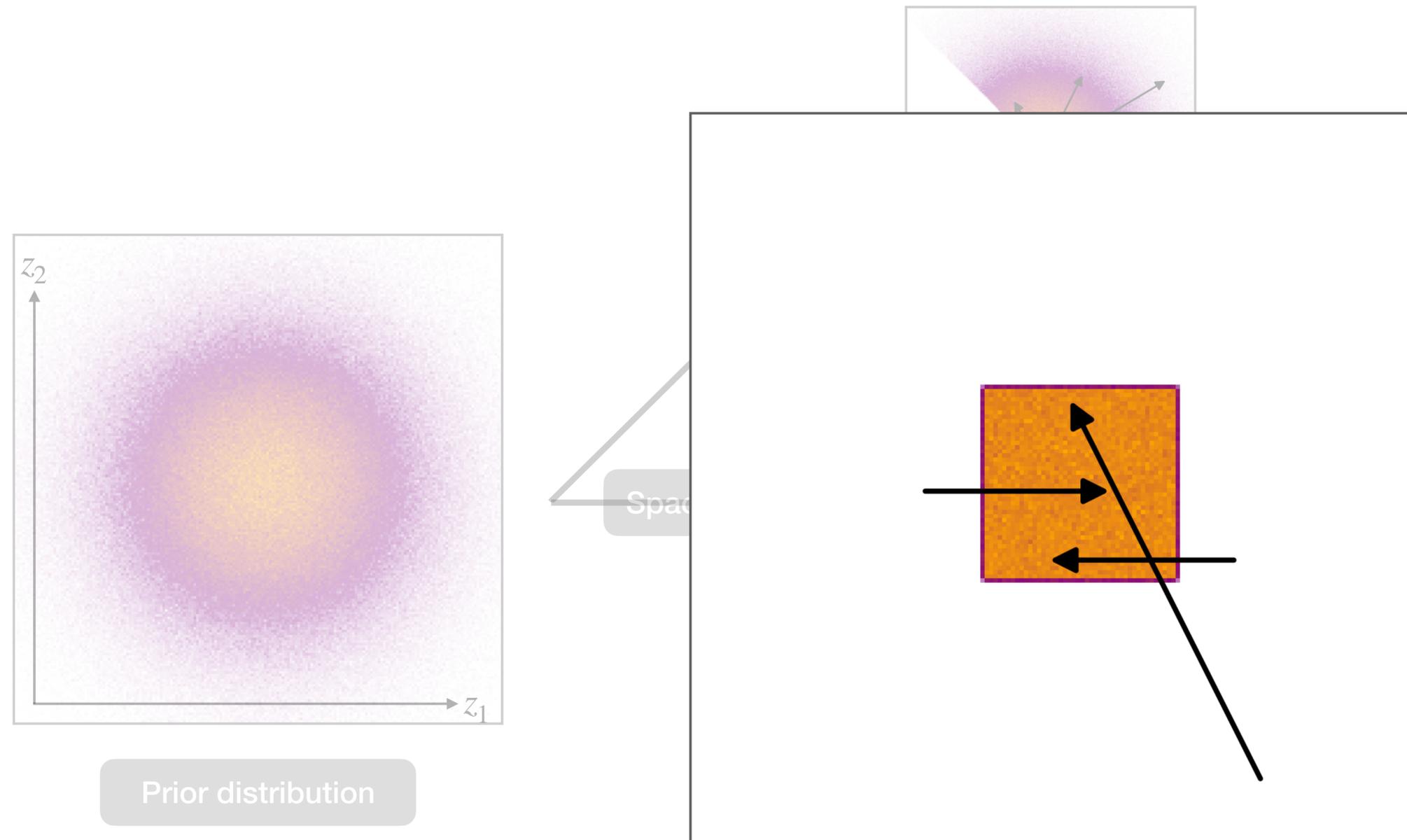
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Spacetime Symmetry

$$(z_1, z_2) \rightarrow \begin{cases} (z_1, z_2) & \text{if } z_1 - z_2 \leq 0 \\ (z_2, z_1) & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

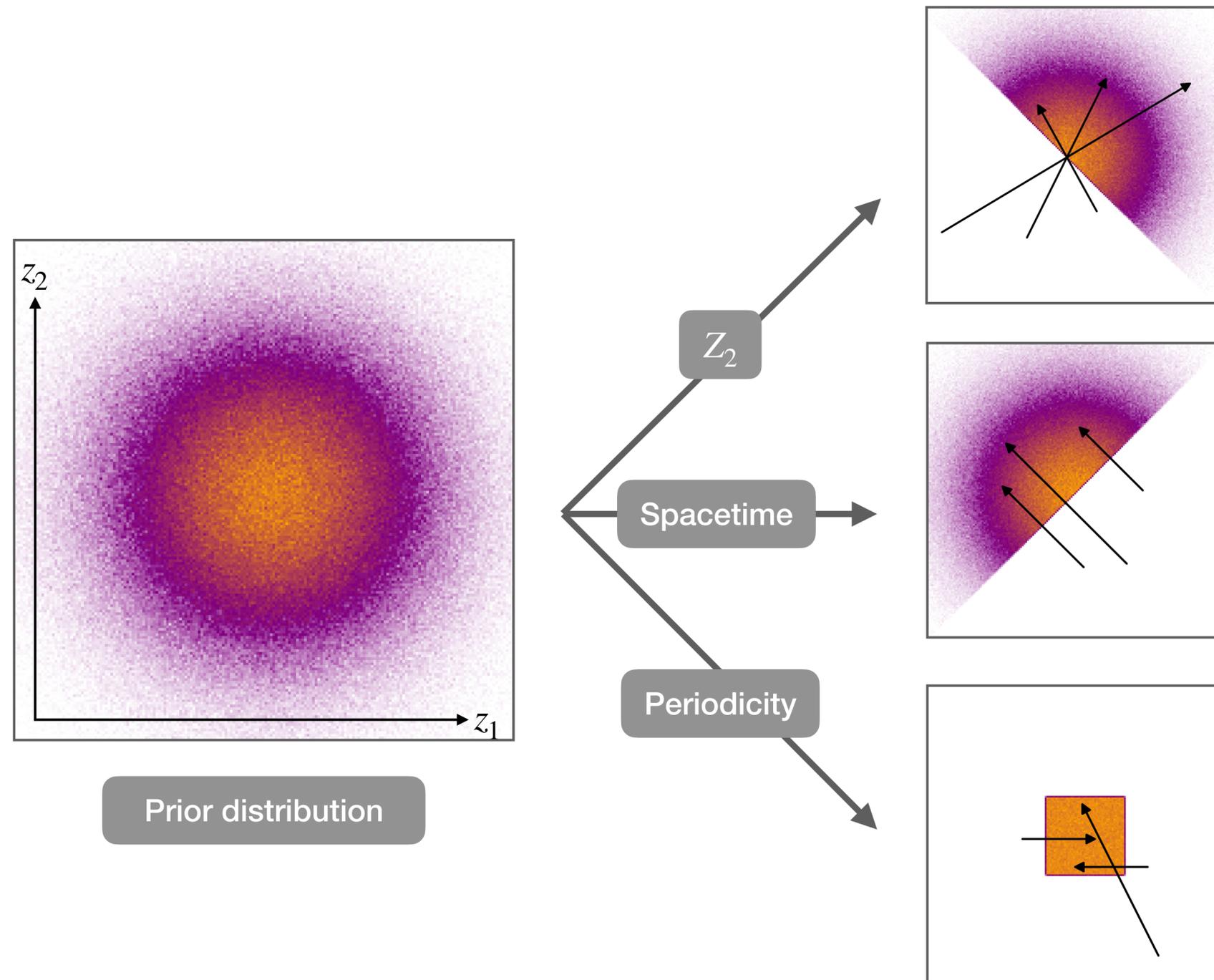
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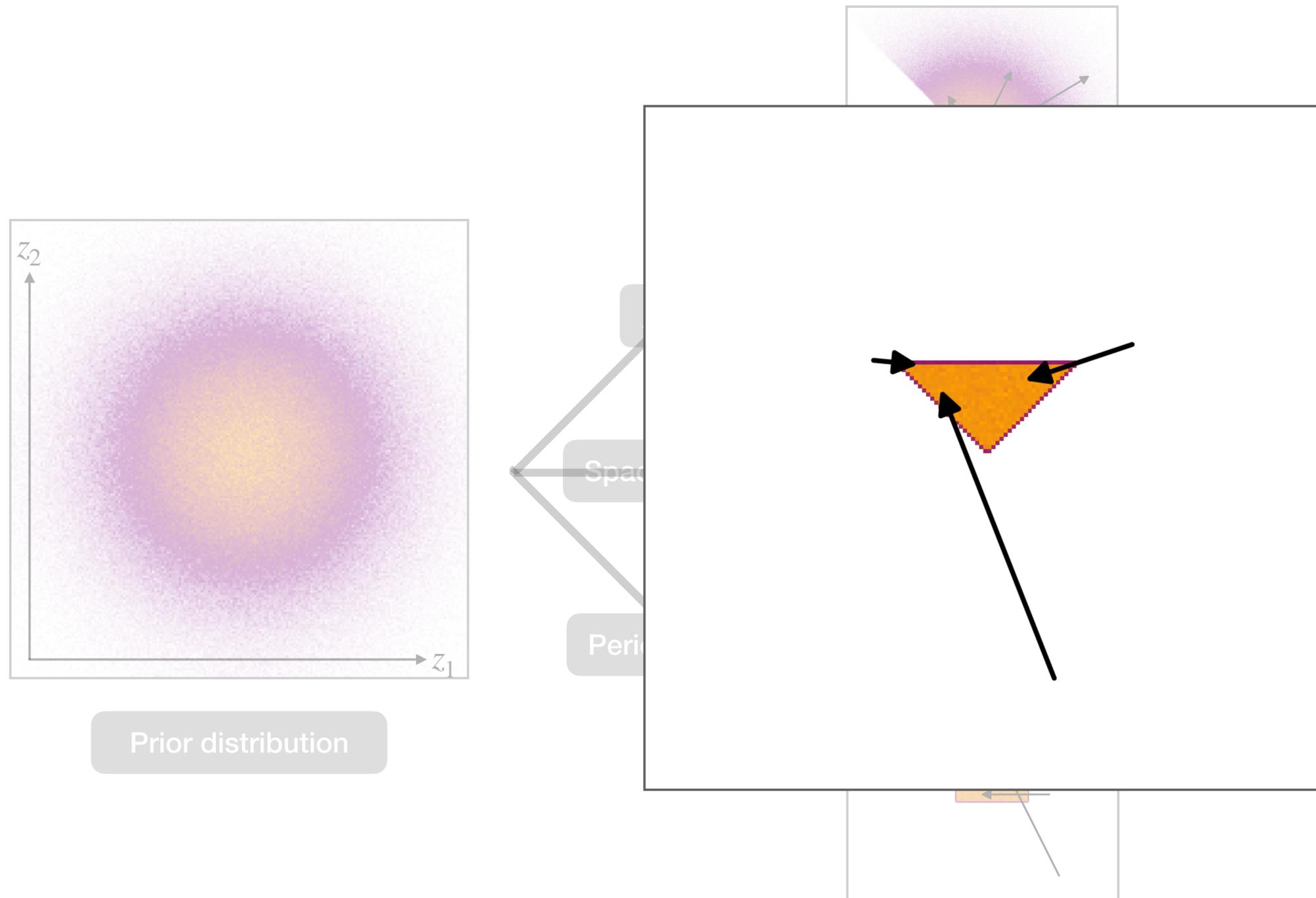
Periodicity Symmetry

$$z \rightarrow z - 2\pi \cdot \text{round} \left(\frac{z}{2\pi} \right)$$

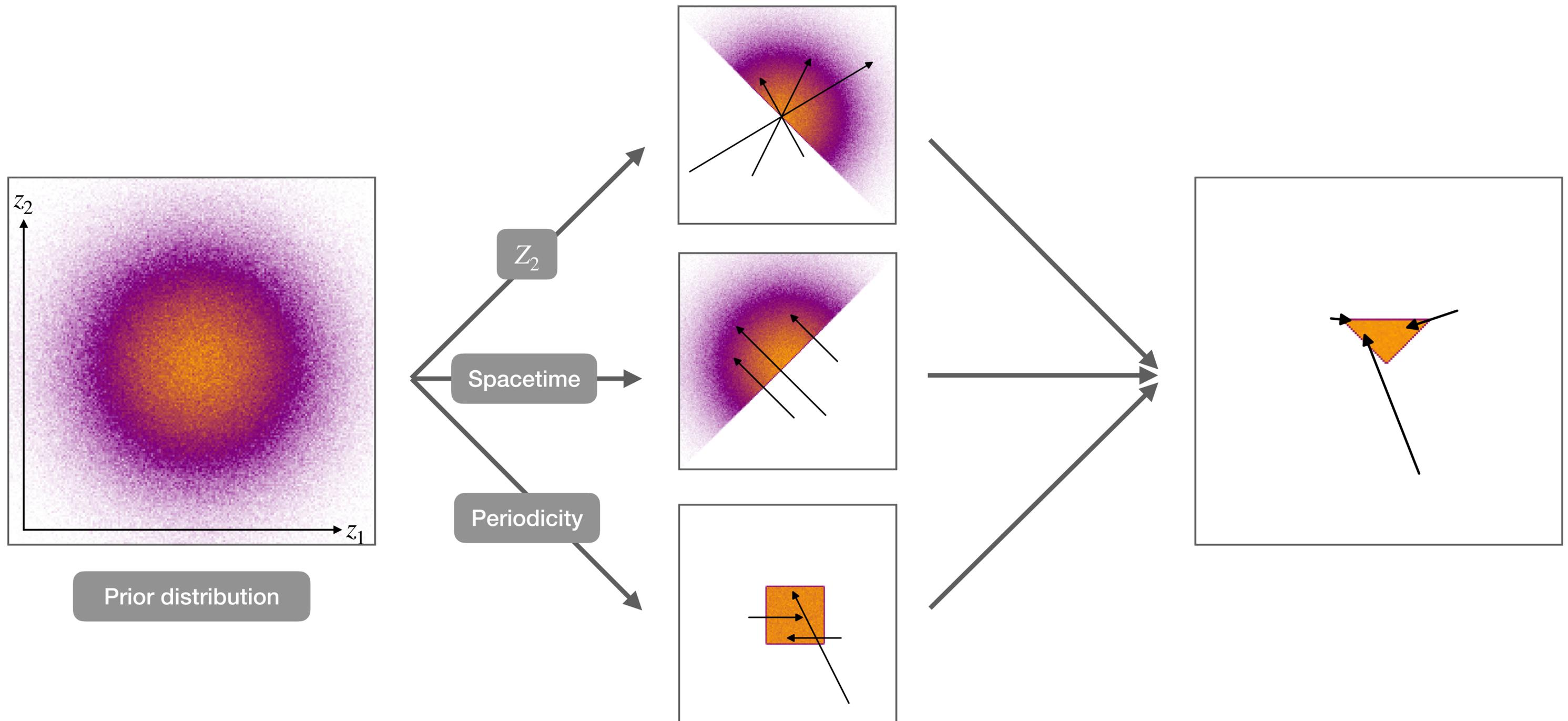
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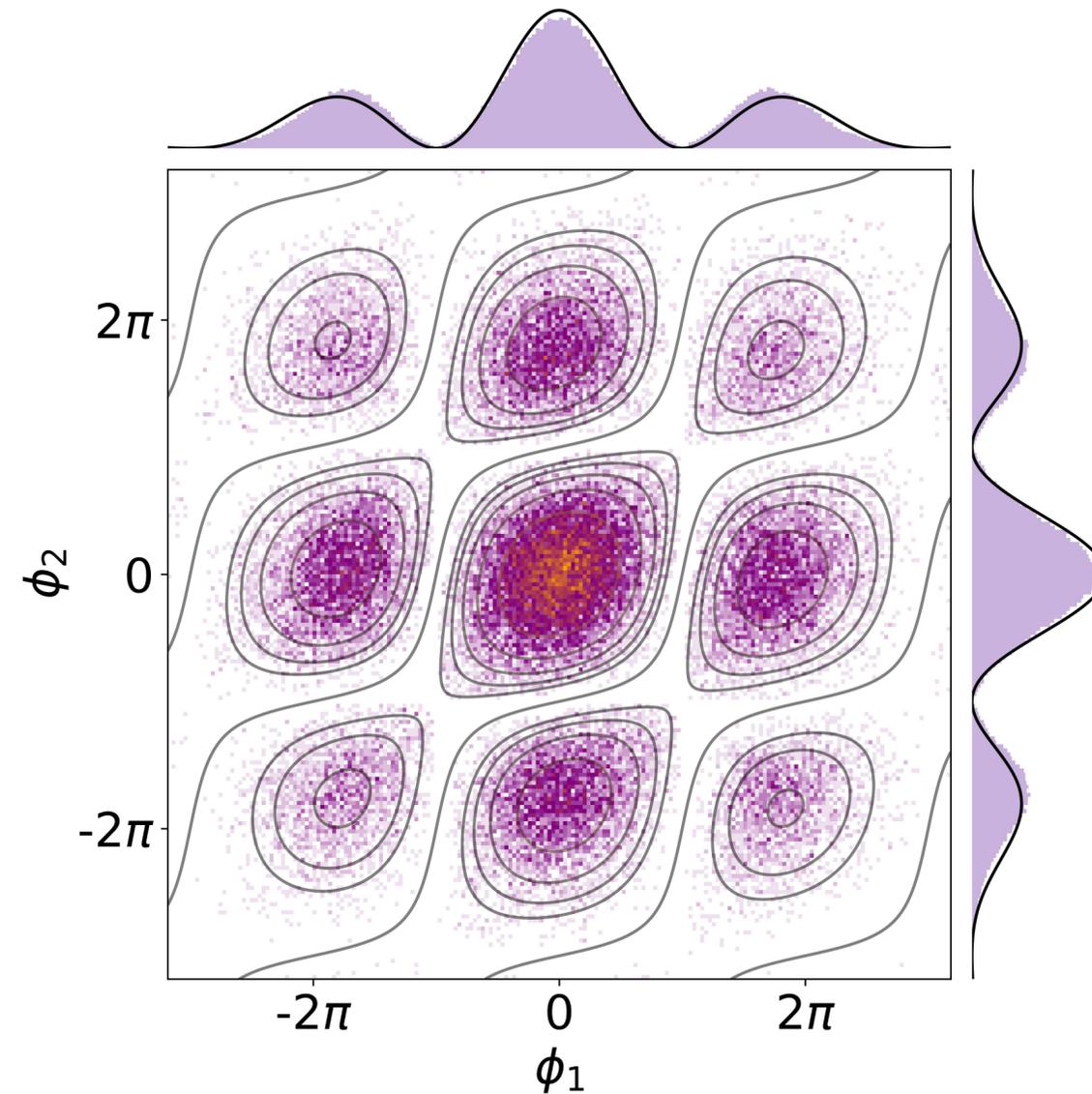
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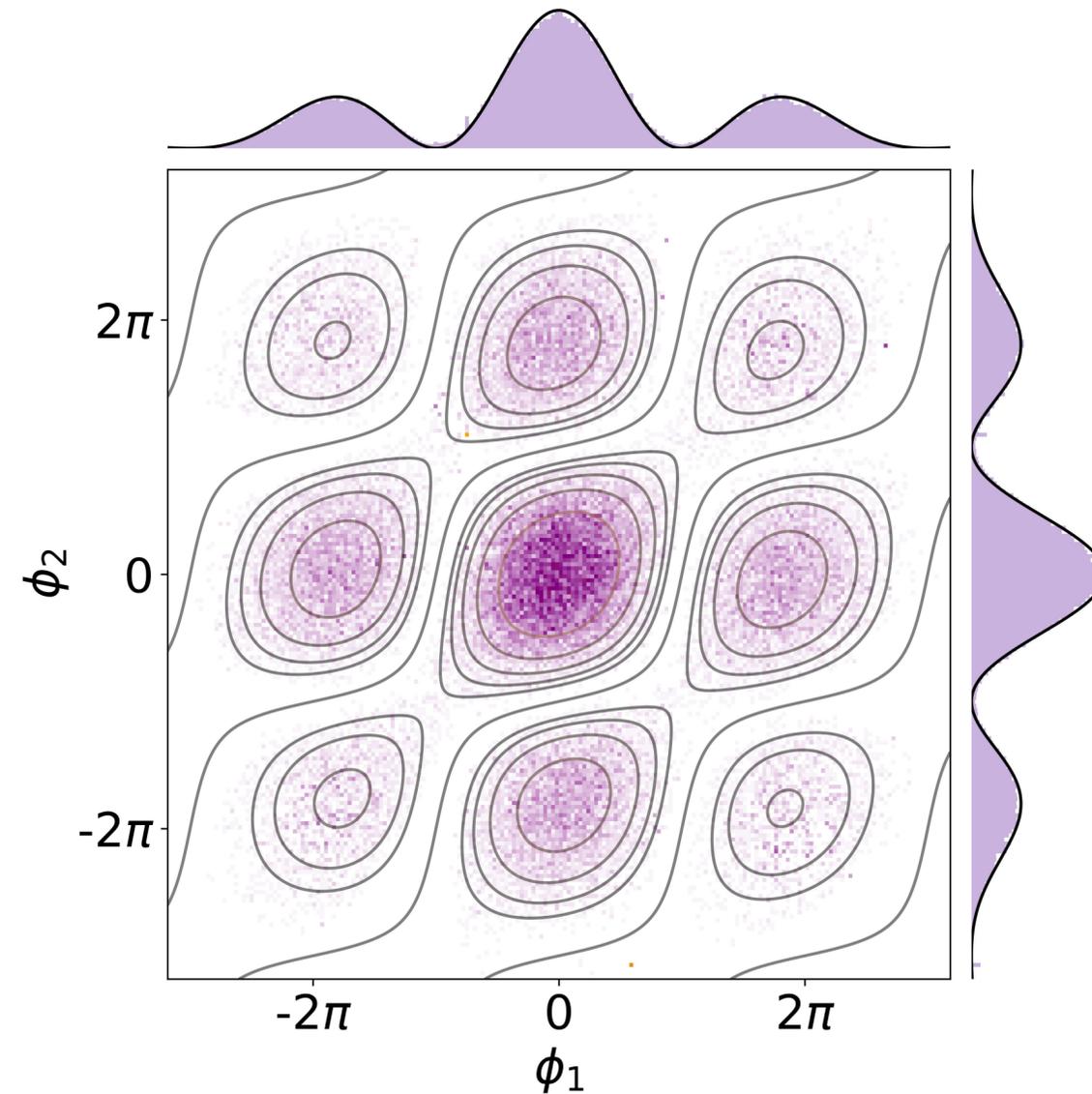
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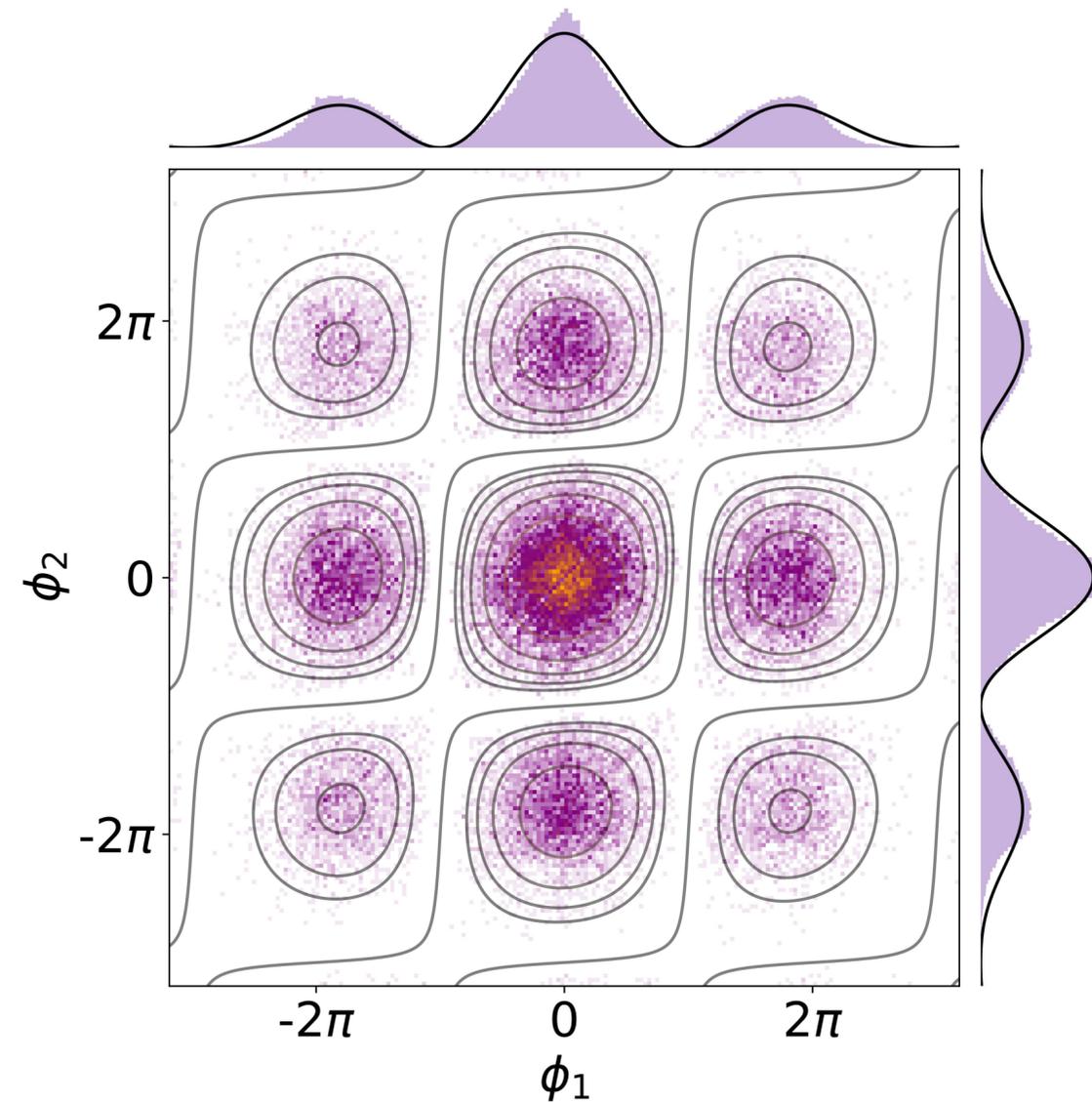
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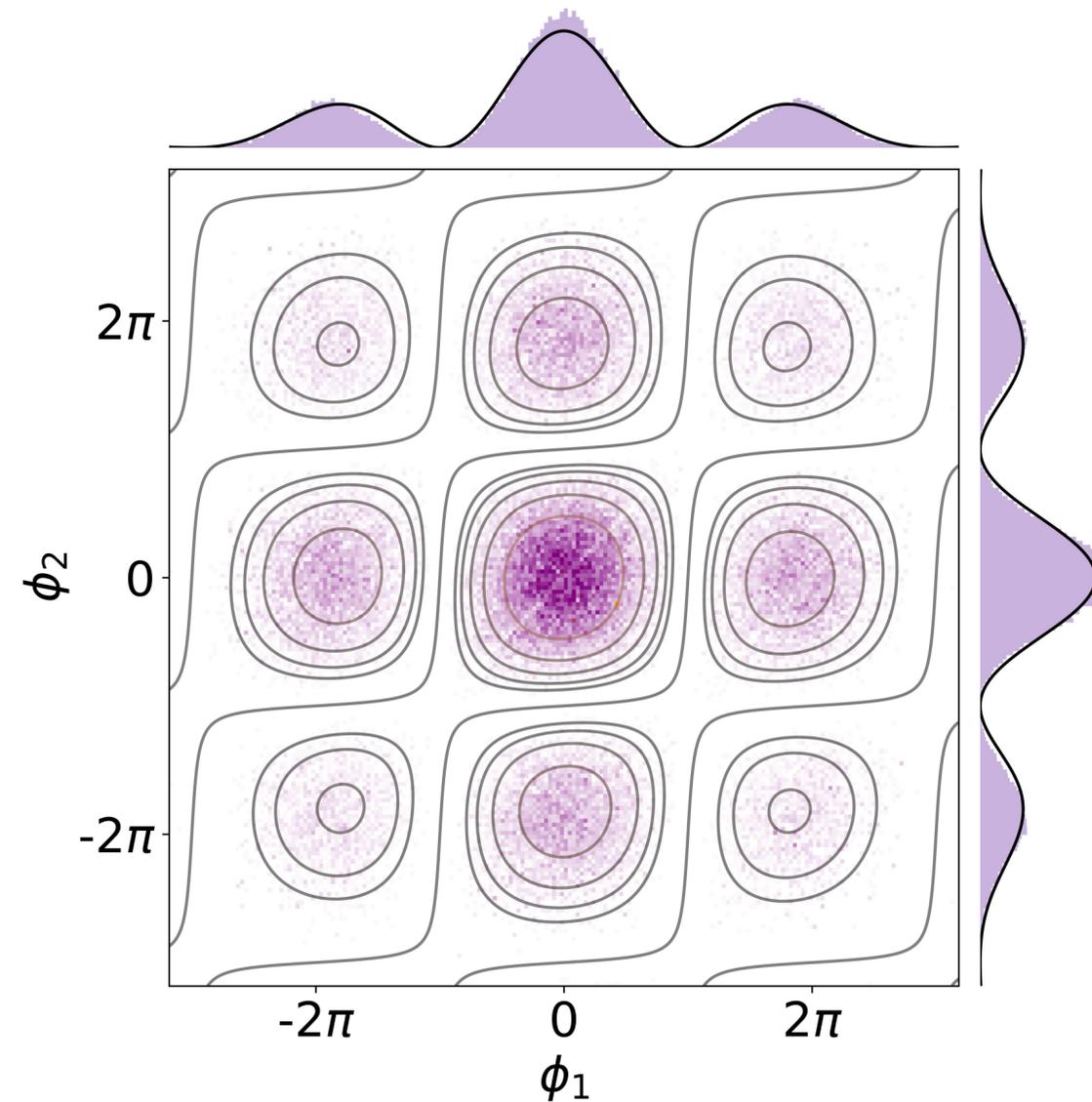
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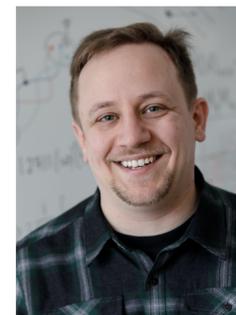
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Backup Slides

The Hubbard Action

The Hubbard action in the spin basis reads

$$S = \frac{1}{2\tilde{U}} \sum_{x,t} \phi_{x,t}^2 - \log \det M[\phi] - \log \det M[-\phi],$$

and in the particle-hole basis

$$S = \frac{1}{2\tilde{U}} \sum_{x,t} \phi_{x,t}^2 - \log \det M[i\phi] - \log \det M[-i\phi].$$

The fermion matrix M reads

$$M^e[\phi]_{x't',xt} = \delta_{x',x} \delta_{t',t} - [e^h]_{x',x} e^{\phi_{xt}} B_{t'} \delta_{t',t+1}, \quad M^d[\phi]_{x't',xt} = (\delta_{x',x} - h_{x',x}) \delta_{t',t} - e^{\phi_{xt}} \delta_{x',x} B_{t'} \delta_{t',t+1},$$

with the hopping matrix h and $B_t = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } t = 0 \\ +1 & \text{else} \end{cases}$ incorporating the anti-periodic boundary conditions in time direction.

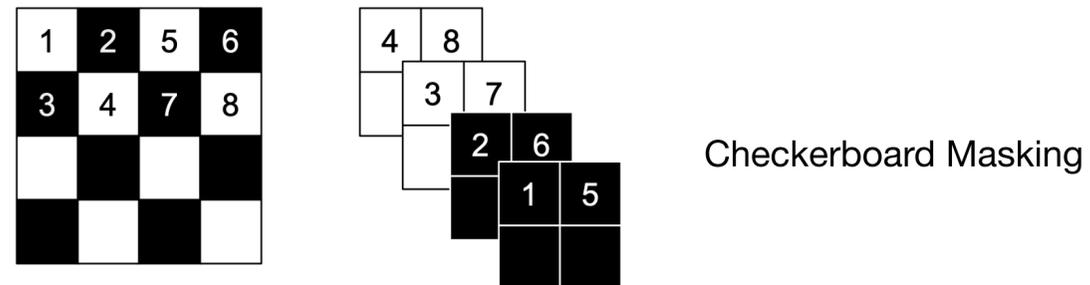
Real NVP

The **RealNVP** architecture:

Block Transformation
 $y^l = (y_u^l, y_d^l), y^l \in \mathbb{R}^{|\Lambda|}$

$$\begin{cases} y_u^{l+1} = y_u^l \\ y_d^{l+1} = y_d^l \cdot e^{s(y_u^l)} + m(y_u^l) \end{cases} \xrightarrow{\text{Trivially Invertible}} \begin{cases} y_u^l = y_u^{l+1} \\ y_d^l = (y_d^{l+1} - m(y_u^{l+1}))e^{-s(y_u^{l+1})} \end{cases}$$

Splitting



Tractable Jacobian Det

$$\mathbf{J}_g = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \star & e^{-s} \end{bmatrix}$$

Training the Flow

- We train the normalizing flow using the Reverse-KL divergence

$$\text{KL}(q_\theta || p) = \int \mathcal{D}[\phi] q_\theta(\phi) \ln \left(\frac{q_\theta(\phi)}{p(\phi)} \right) = \beta(F_q - F)$$

- Ignoring the irrelevant (and unknown) constant F , the loss reads

$$\beta F_q = \mathbb{E}_{z \sim q_Z} \left[\mathcal{S}(g_\theta(z)) - \ln \left| \frac{dg_\theta}{dz} \right| (z) + \ln q_Z(z) \right]$$

Neural Importance Sampling (NIS)

1. We define the unnormalized importance weights $\tilde{w}(\phi) = \frac{\tilde{p}(\phi)}{q_\theta(\phi)} = \frac{\exp(-S(\phi))}{q_\theta(\phi)}$
2. We estimate the partition function $Z = \int \mathcal{D}[\phi] q_\theta(\phi) \tilde{w}(\phi) \approx \hat{Z} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \tilde{w}(\phi_i)$
3. From which we have direct access to the free energy $\hat{F} = -T \ln \hat{Z}$
4. And other thermodynamic observables like **pressure** $p = -\frac{F}{V}$ and **entropy** $H = \beta(-F + U)$

NMCMC: Neural Markov Chain Monte Carlo

Standard **MCMC** updates a system configuration by proposing a new candidate configuration following the evolution of the chain

Configurations are thus accepted based on accept/reject algorithm

In **NMCMC** the idea is to take n candidates drawn from the trained sampler $q(s)$

$$\longrightarrow \min \left(1, \frac{p_0(s|s')p(s')}{p_0(s'|s)p(s)} \right) = \min \left(1, \frac{q(s) \exp(-\beta H(s'))}{q(s') \exp(-\beta H(s))} \right)$$

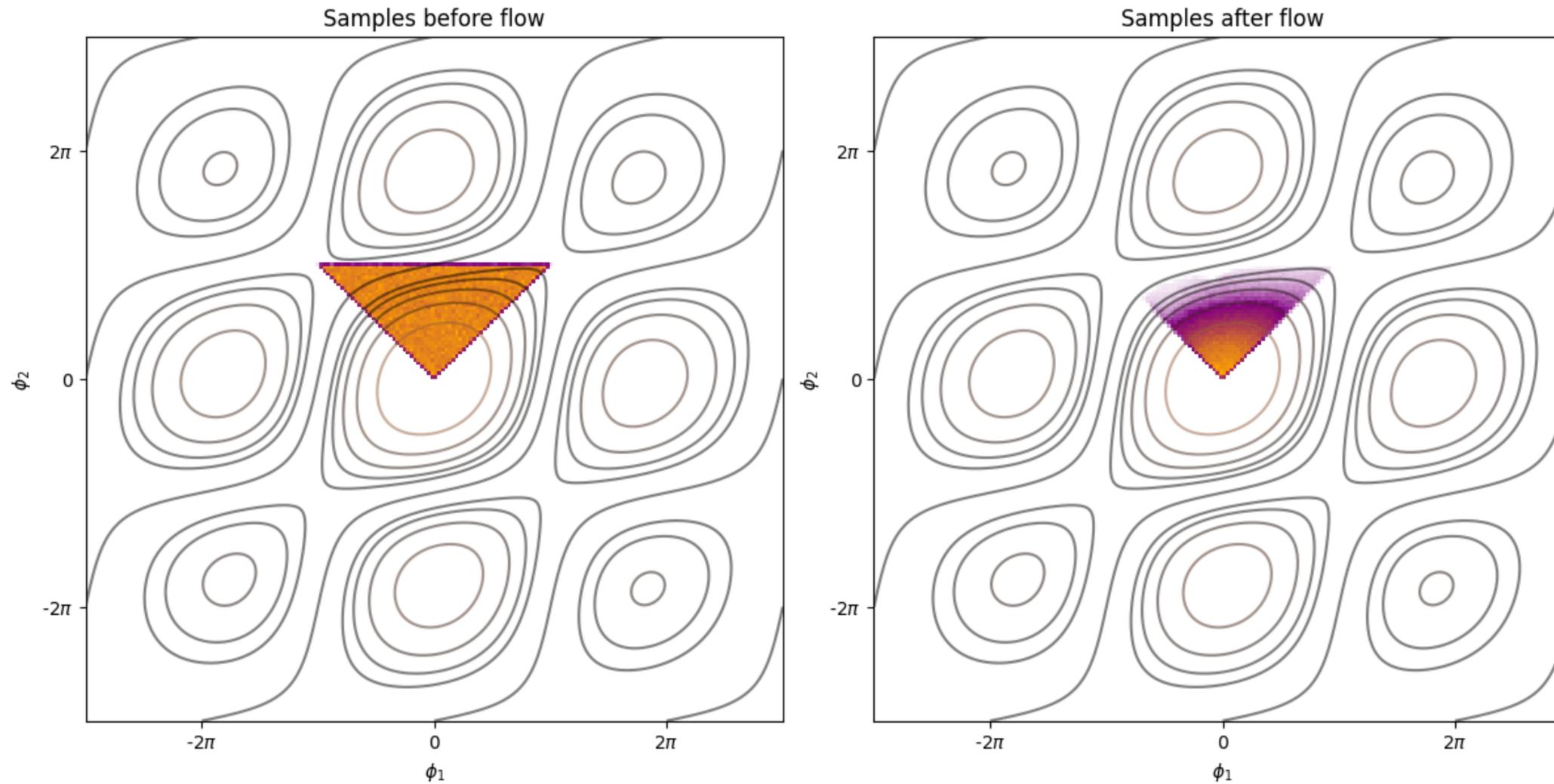
Low dependence between new candidates and previous elements in the chain.

This leads to:

- Efficient and parallel sampling
- New estimates have very small autocorrelation time

See also: M. S. Albergo et al., 2019

Equivariant Flow Output



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Outlook: Larger Lattice Sizes

Current lattice sizes for the honeycomb lattice:

- HMC: $2 \times 21 \times 21$ sites
- Exact diagonalization: $2 \times 3 \times 3$ sites
- Tensor networks, e.g. PEPS: $2 \times 15 \times 15$ sites

See also: J. Ostmeyer, Lattice 2022

Comparison

	HMC	Fermionic PEPS	Exact Diagonalization	Normalizing Flows
Lattice Size	$L \approx 100$	$L \approx 15$	$L \approx 3$	$L \approx 2$ (for now)
Sign problem	Yes	No	No	Yes
Performance	GPU-intensive	RAM-intensive	CPU-intensive	GPU-intensive
Excited States	Few lowest, expensive	Some specific, instabilities	Yes	Few lowest, expensive

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