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Unnormalized statistical sampling and generative models

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Abstract

Sampling from unnormalized distributions is an important task in statistics and machine learning. Monte Carlo Markov Chain (MCMC) and variational inference (VI) are considered two mainstream lines to handle the intractable integration of unnormalized distributions. However, both of them have limitations in theory and practice. In this seminar, we will introduce the sampling techniques for unnormalized distributions as well as the connection with modern generative models.

Date: 28 July 2022 (Thursday)

Time: 3:00pm

Zoom Meeting: https://hkust.zoom.us/j/95134138608 (Passcode: 203575)

All are Welcome!