

# Deterministic Sampling of Arbitrary Densities Using Equal Sphere Packing of Volume under the Density (PoVuD)

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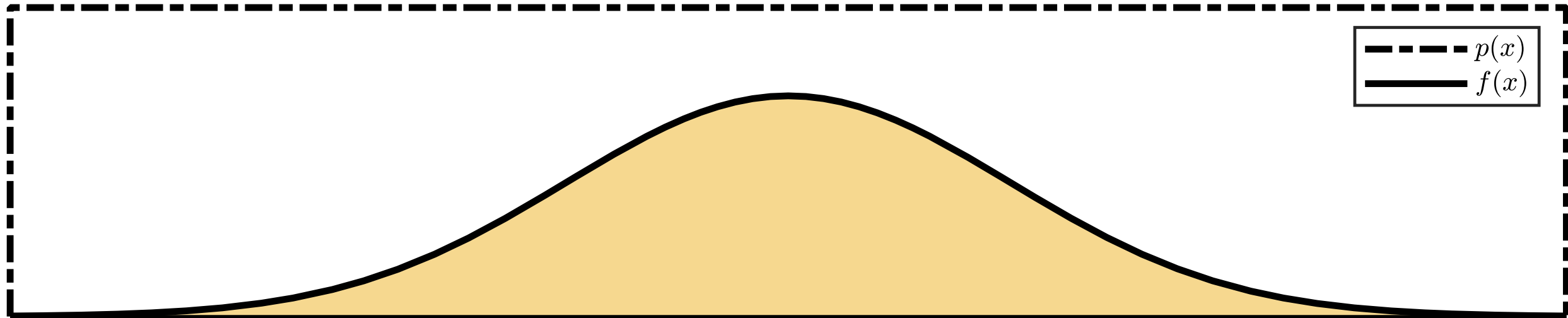
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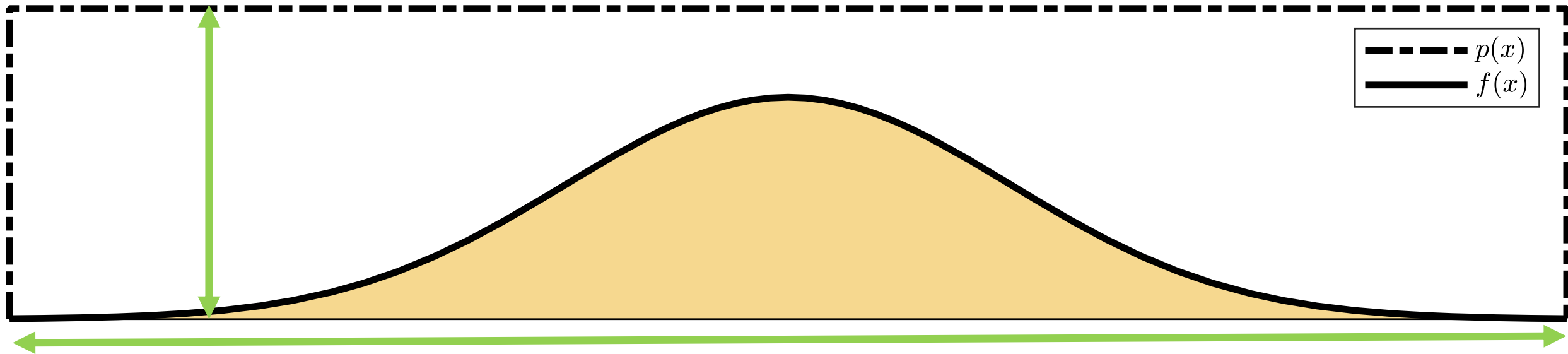
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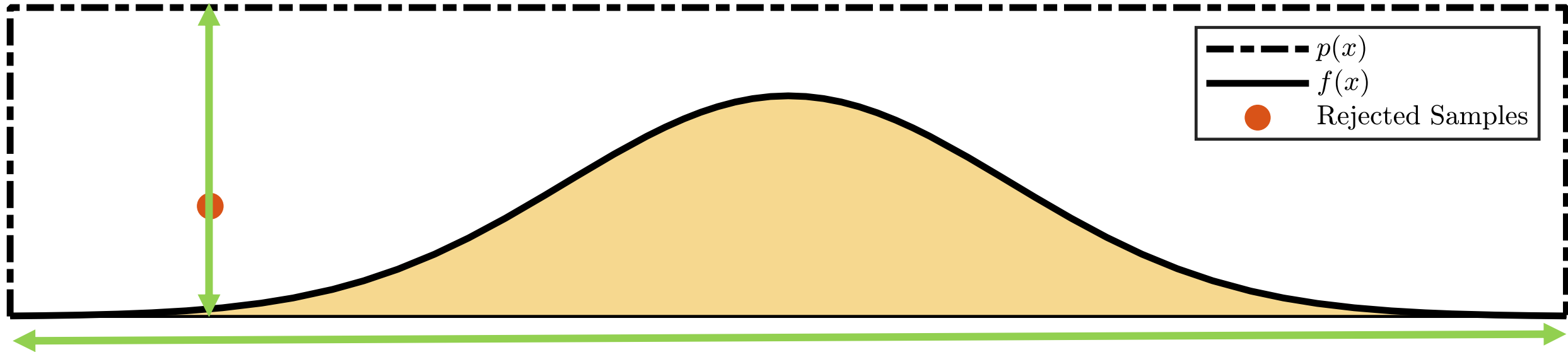
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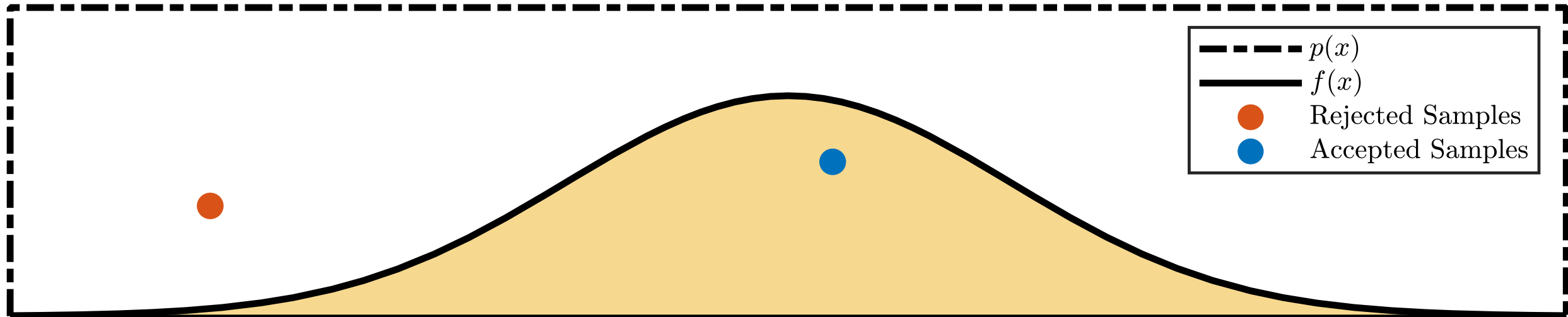
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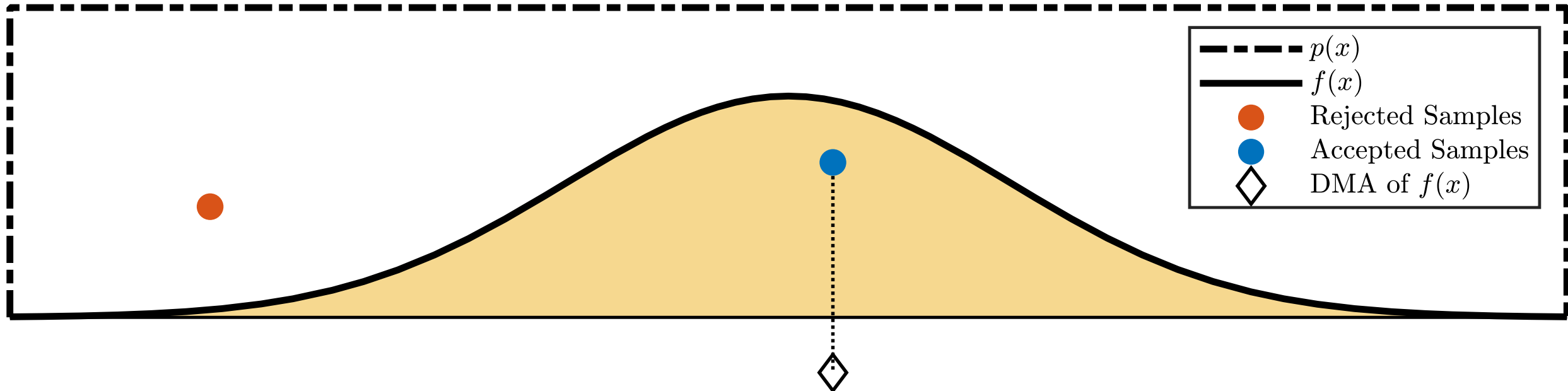
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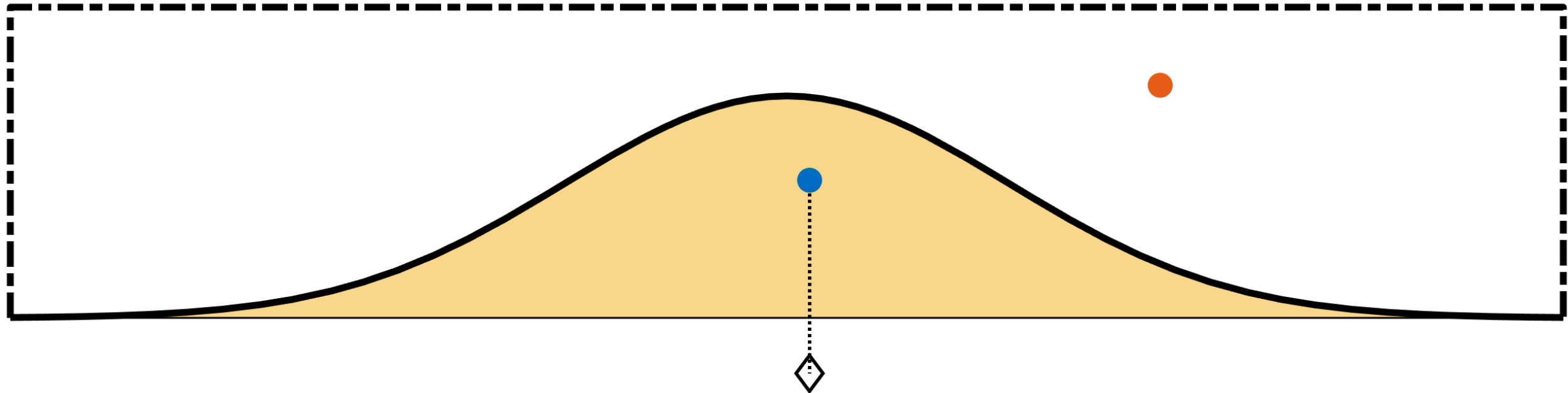
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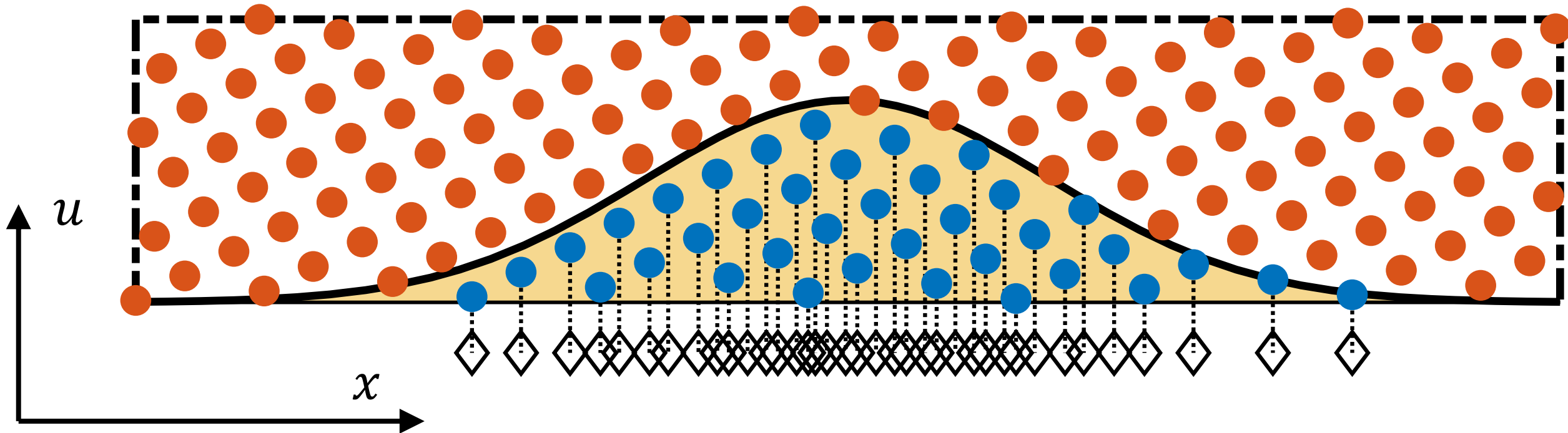
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$$\underline{\xi} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ u \end{bmatrix}$$

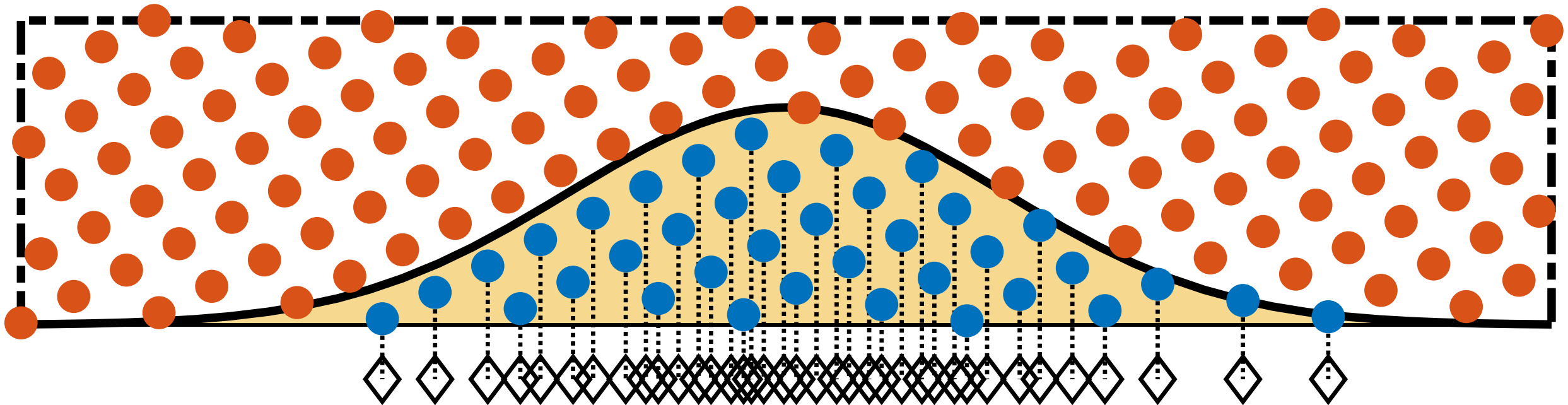
$$f_s(\underline{\xi}) = f_s(x, u) = c$$



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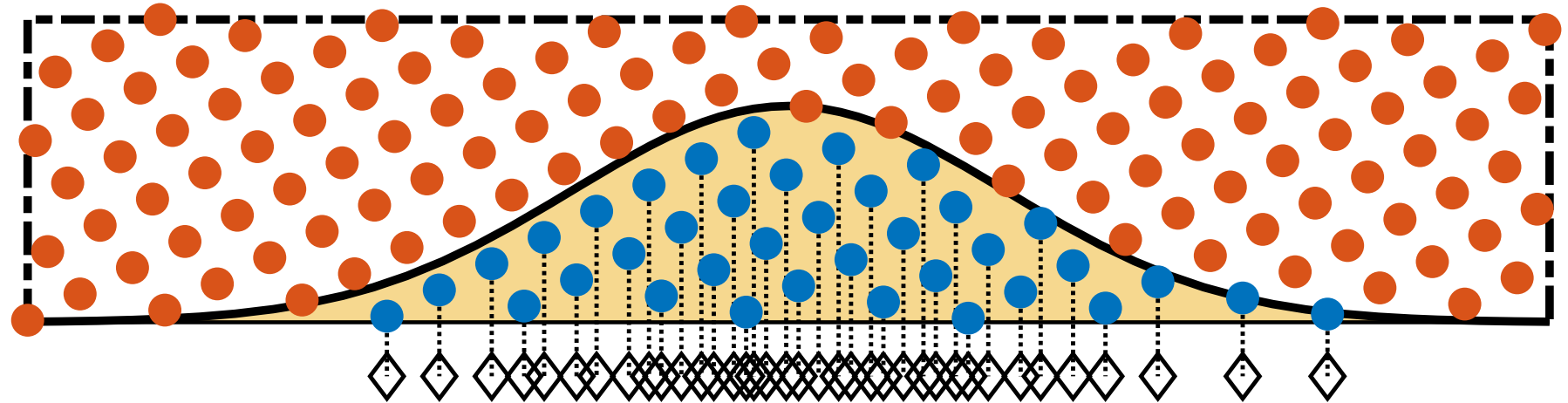
Pros & Cons:

- Arbitrary Densities
- $\mathcal{O}(e^D)$

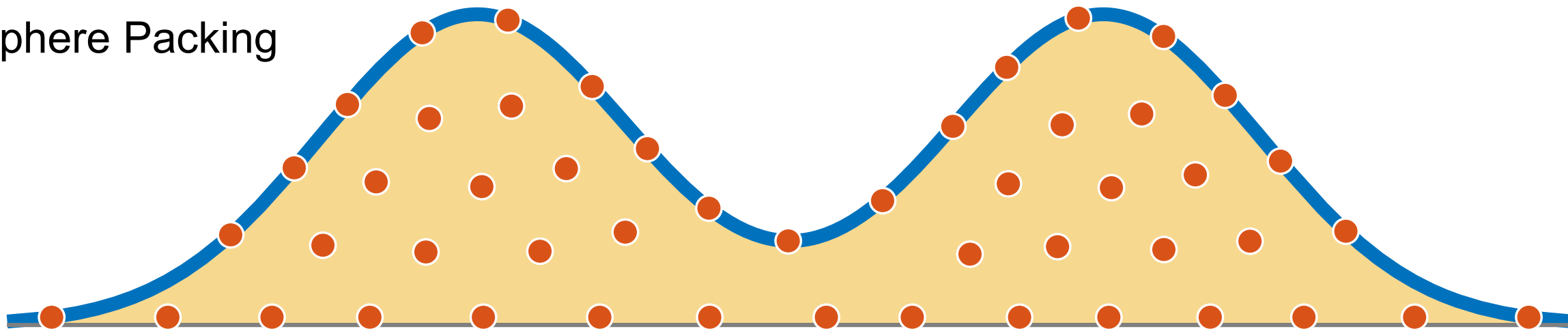


# Rejection vs Volume-Filling Sampling

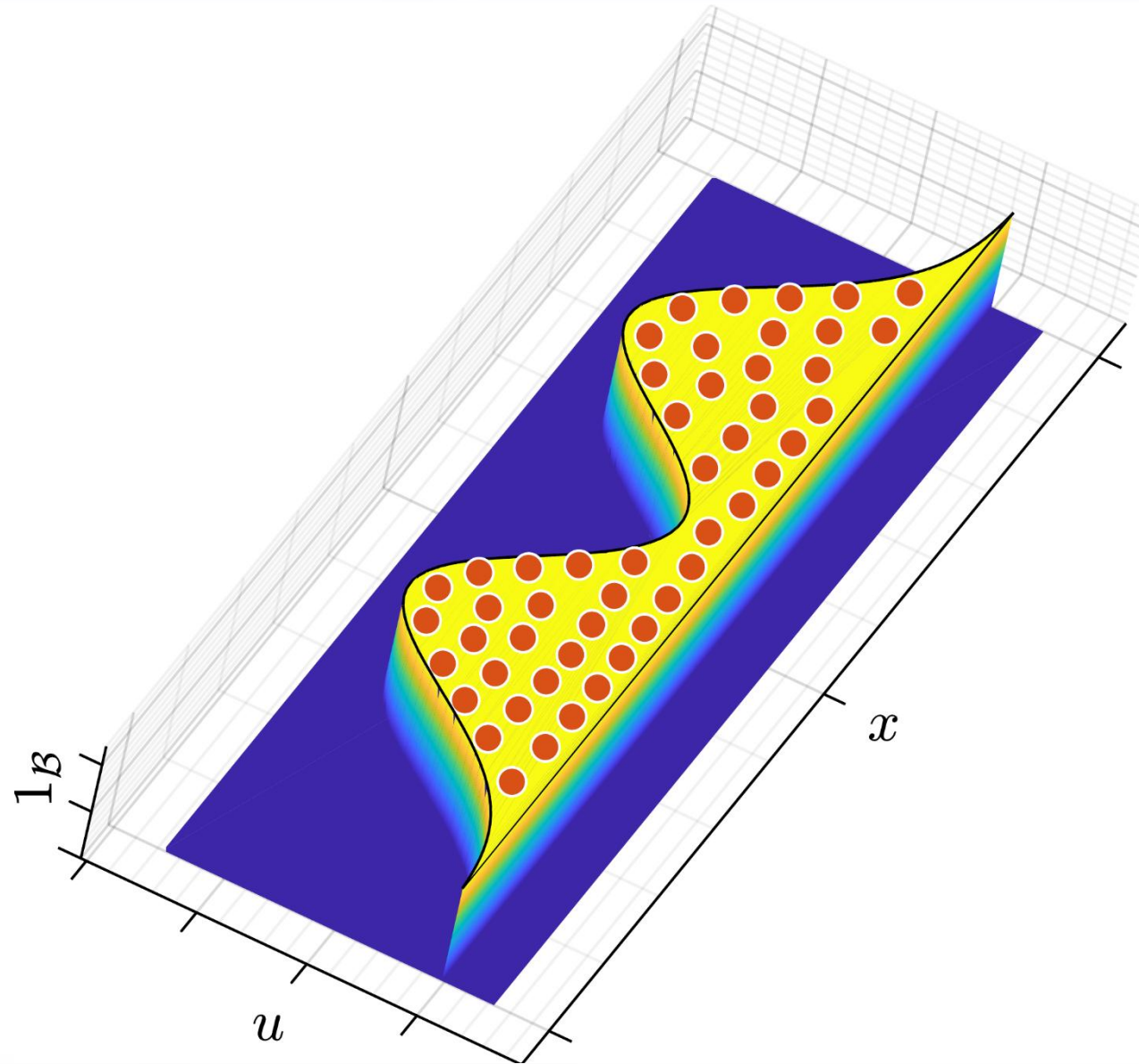
- Rejection



- Sphere Packing



# Volume under Density (VuD)



# Uniformity Measures

- Coulomb Energy

$$\underline{x}_{1:L}^{\text{opt}} = \arg \min_{\underline{x}_{1:L}} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^L \sum_{j=1}^L \frac{1}{\|\underline{x}_i - \underline{x}_j\|} \right\}$$

- Dispersion

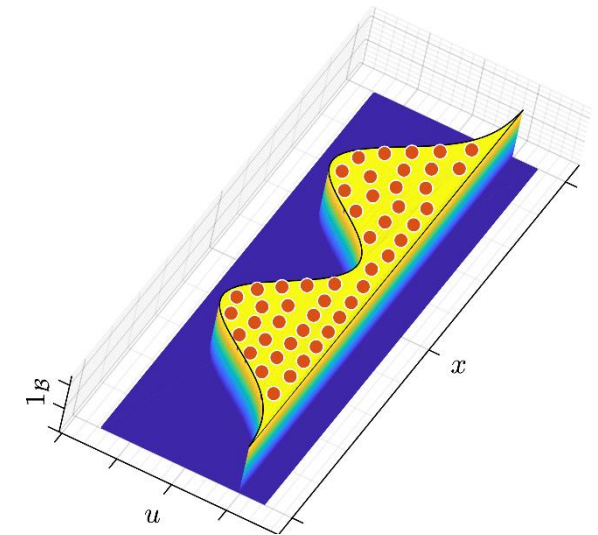
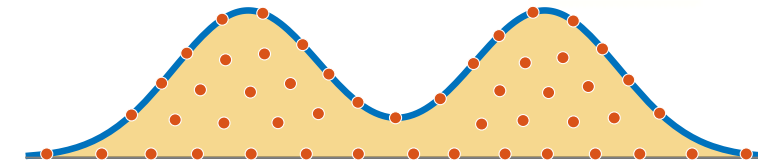
$$\underline{x}_{1:L}^{\text{opt}} = \arg \max_{\underline{x}_{1:L}} \left\{ \min_{\substack{i,j \\ i \neq j}} \|\underline{x}_i - \underline{x}_j\| \right\}$$

- Closest Distance Relaxed

$$\underline{x}_{1:L}^{\text{opt}} = \arg \min_{\underline{x}_{1:L}} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^L \sum_{j=1}^L \frac{1}{\|\underline{x}_i - \underline{x}_j\|^p} \right\}$$

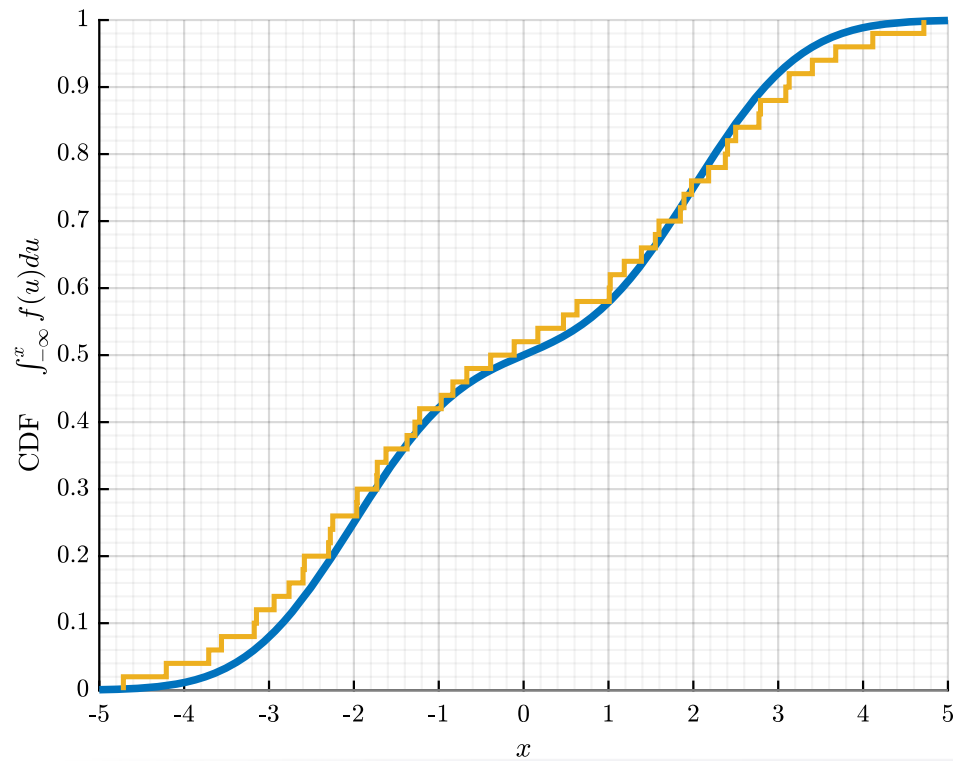
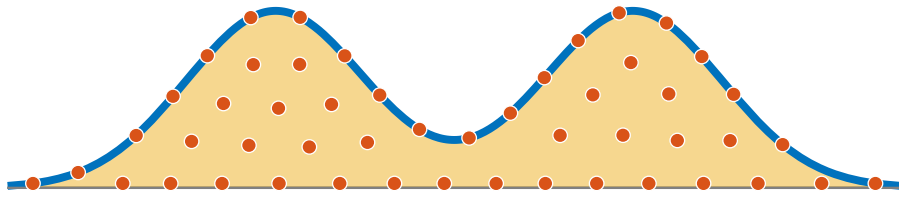
- Nearest Neighbor

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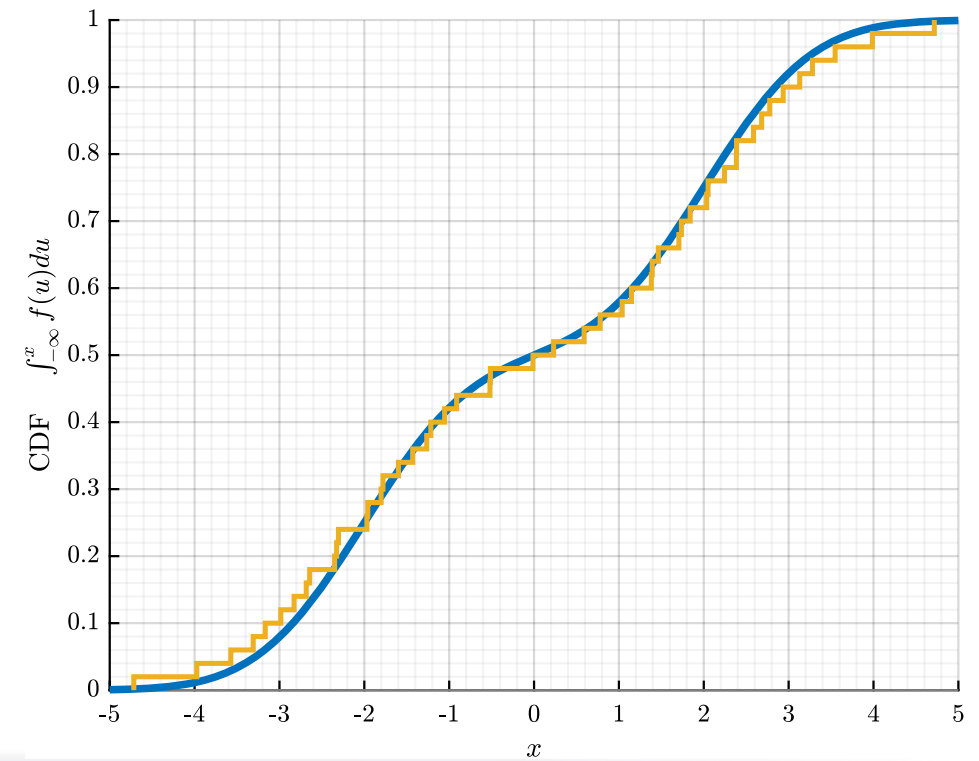
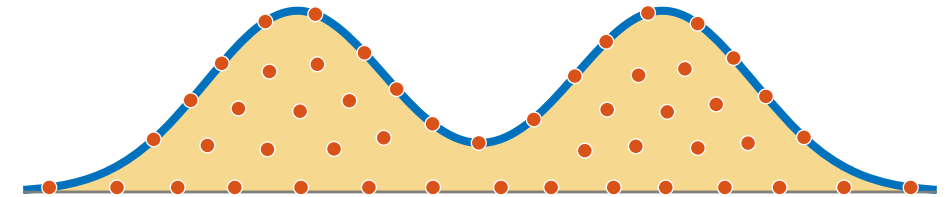


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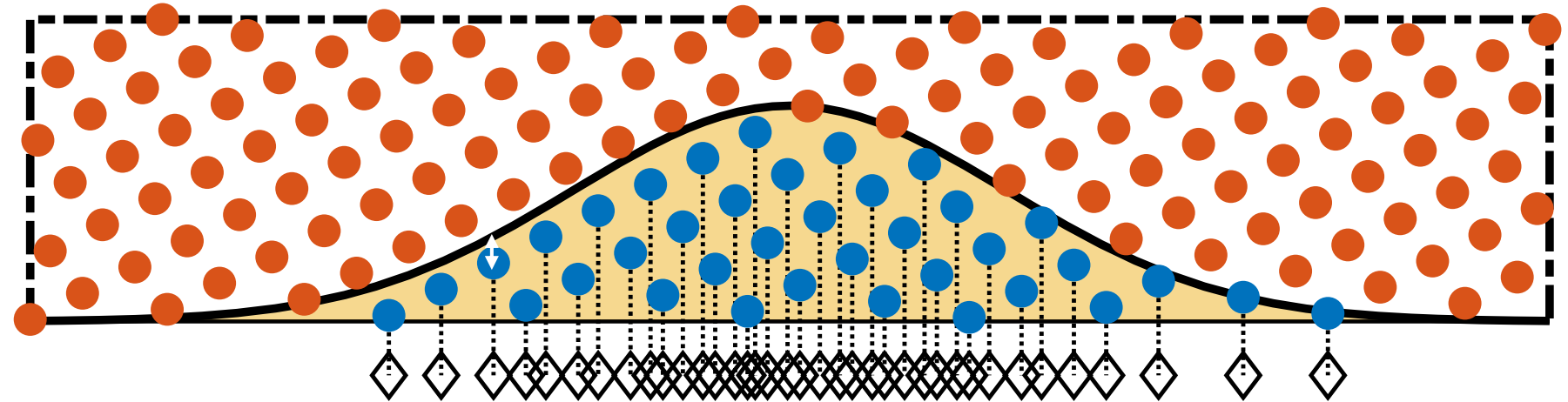


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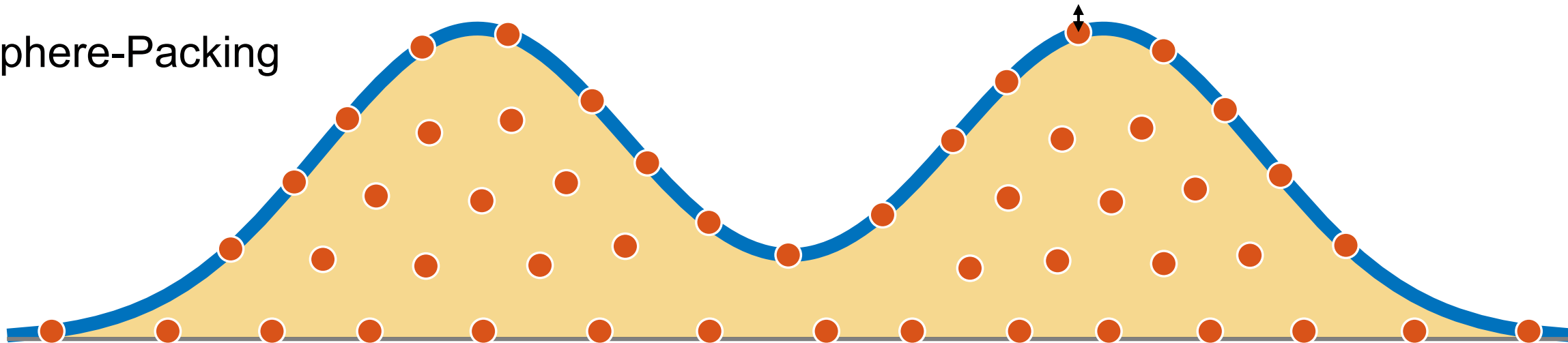


# Sphere-Packing Sampling

- Rejection

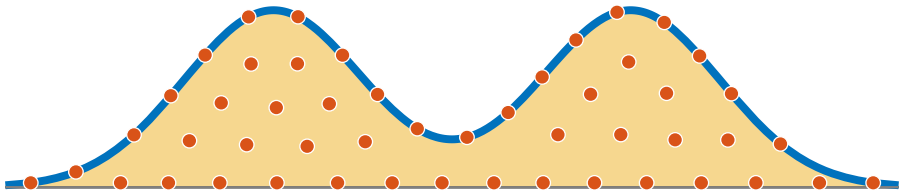


- Sphere-Packing

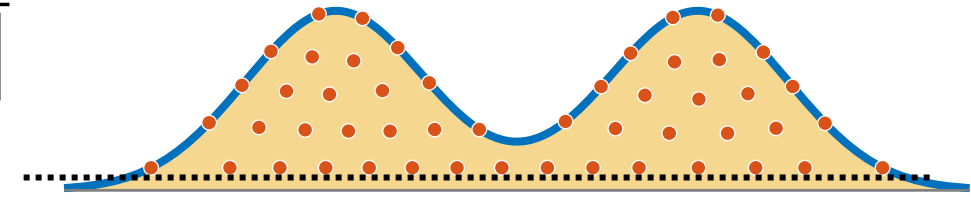
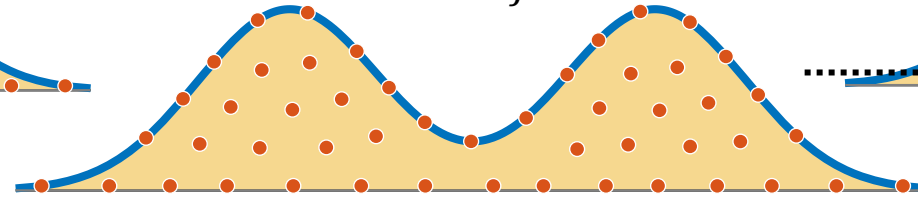


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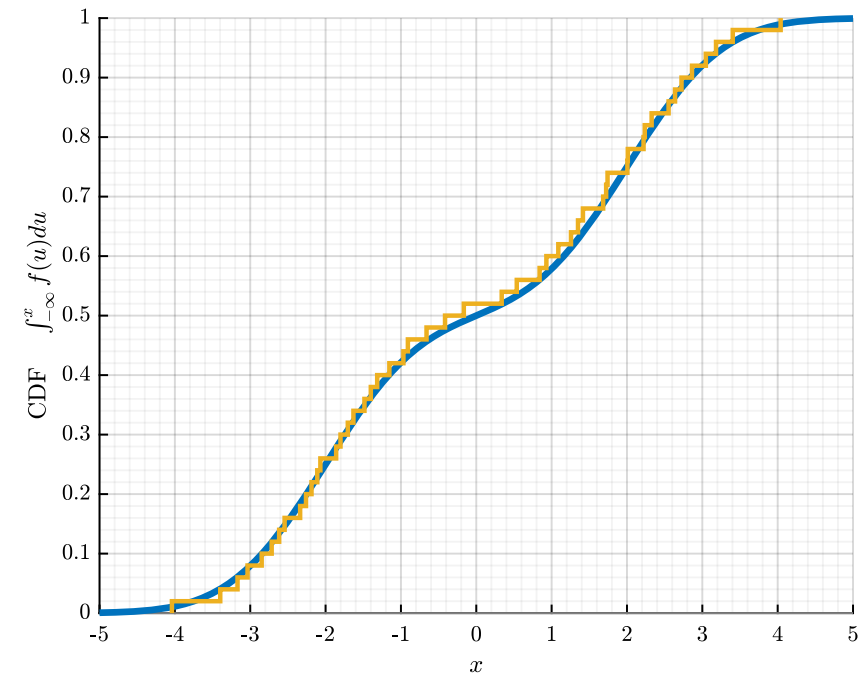
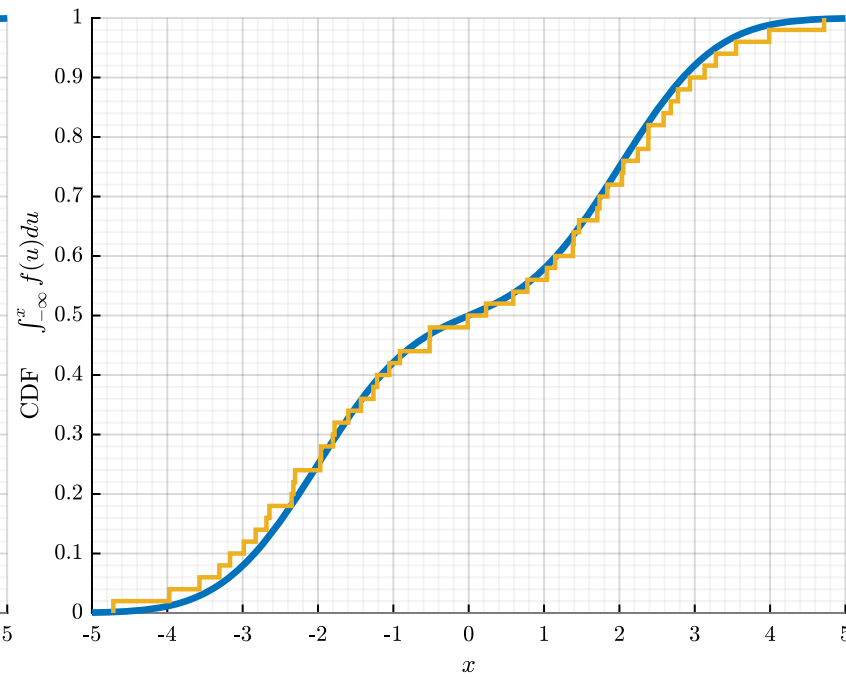
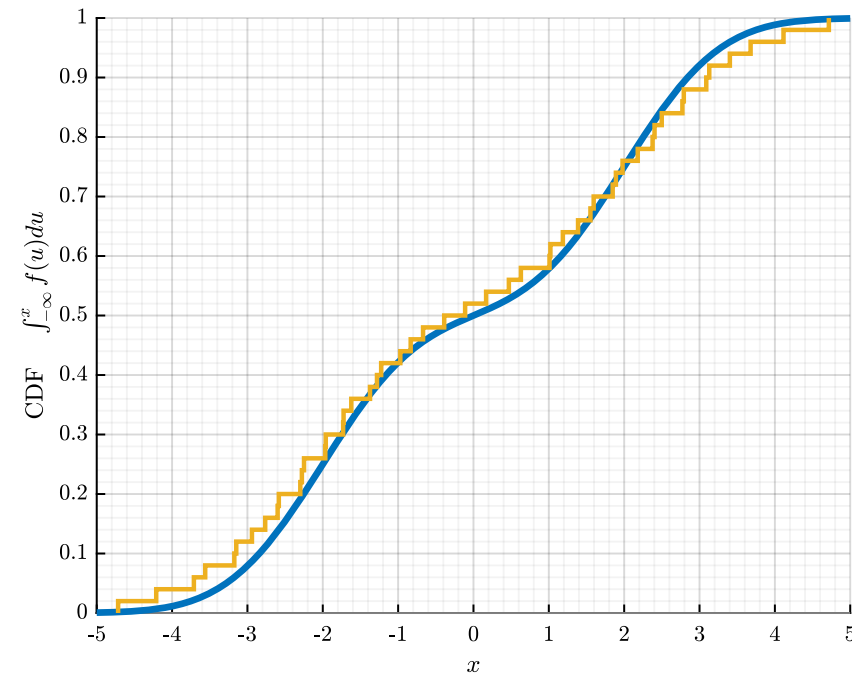
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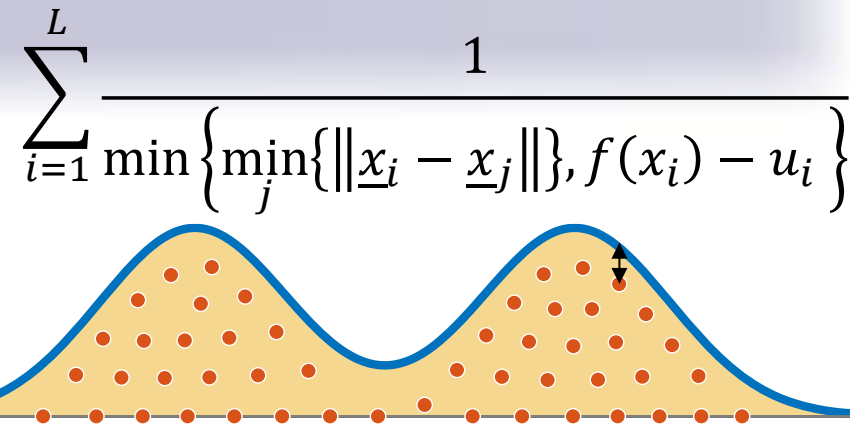
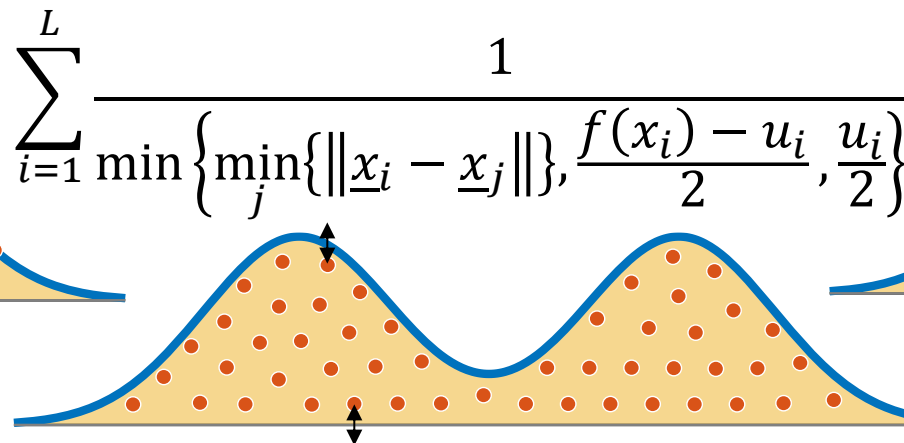
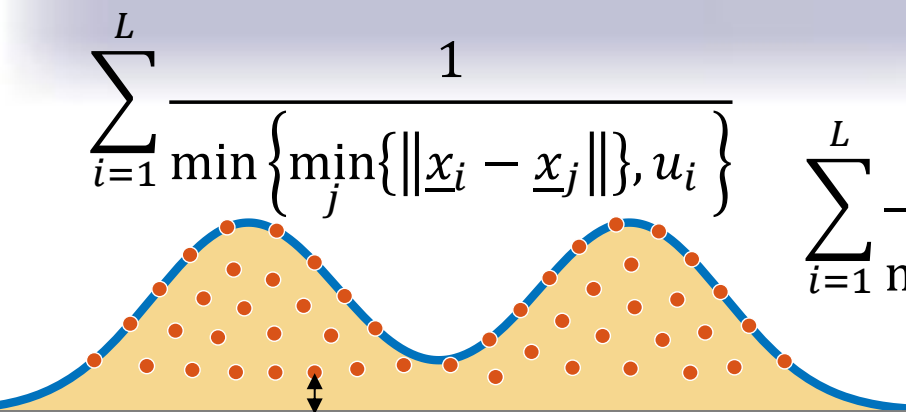
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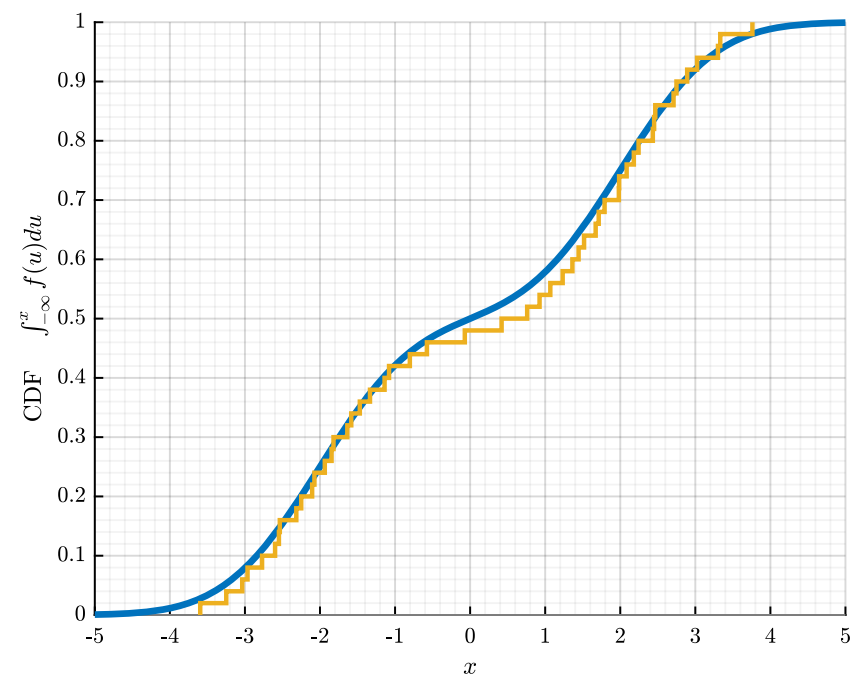
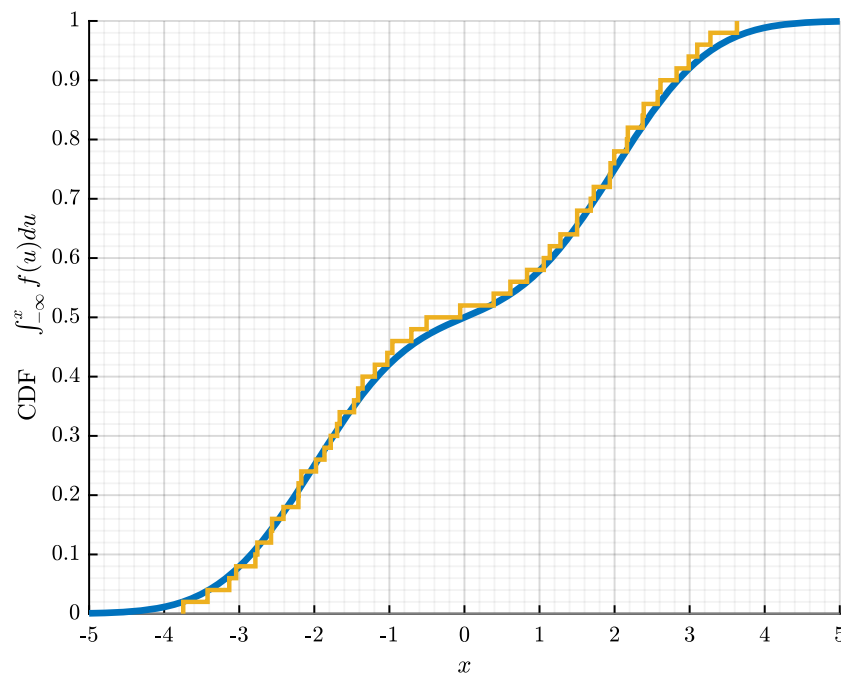
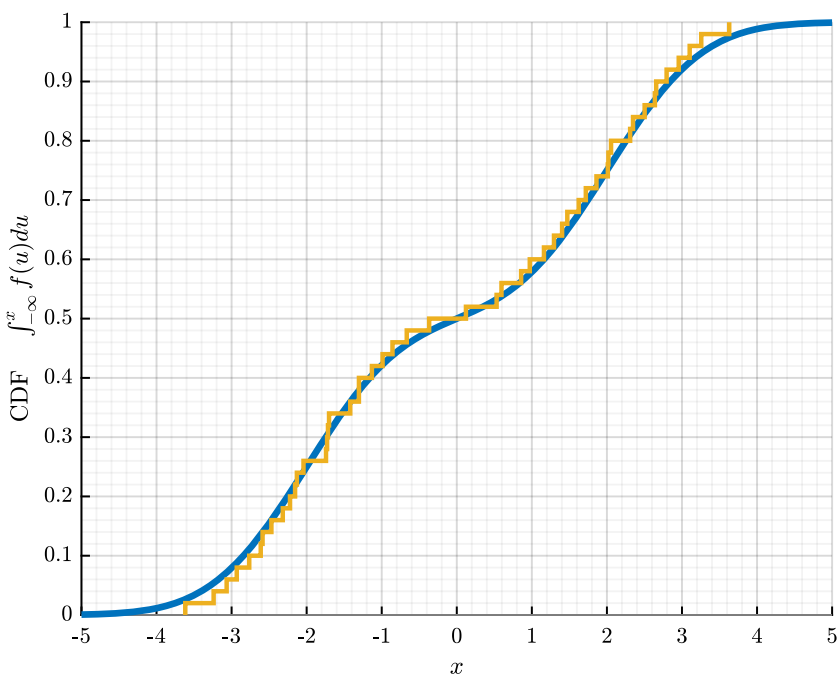
parameter 😞



# Distance to Border

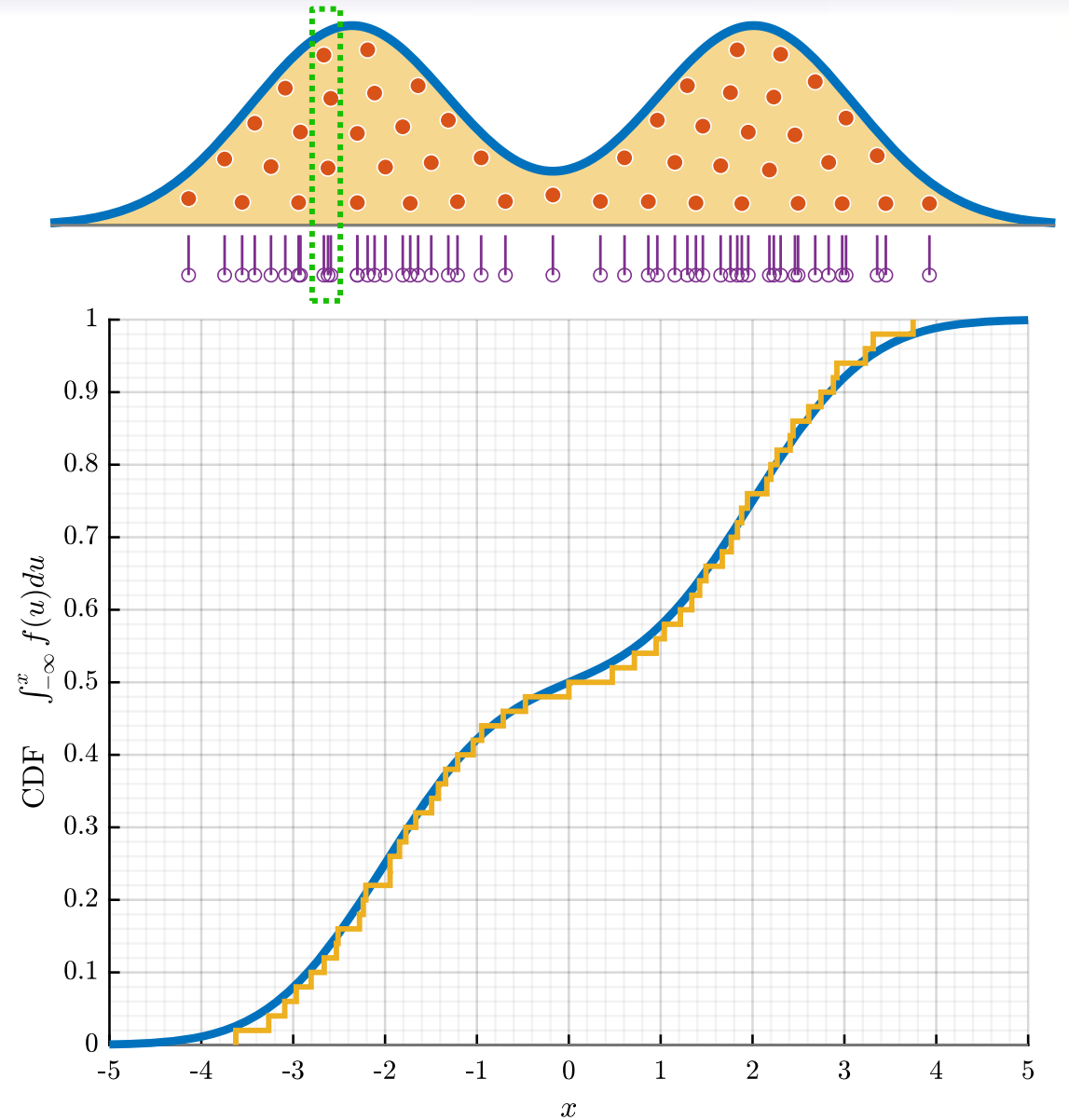


parameter-free 😊



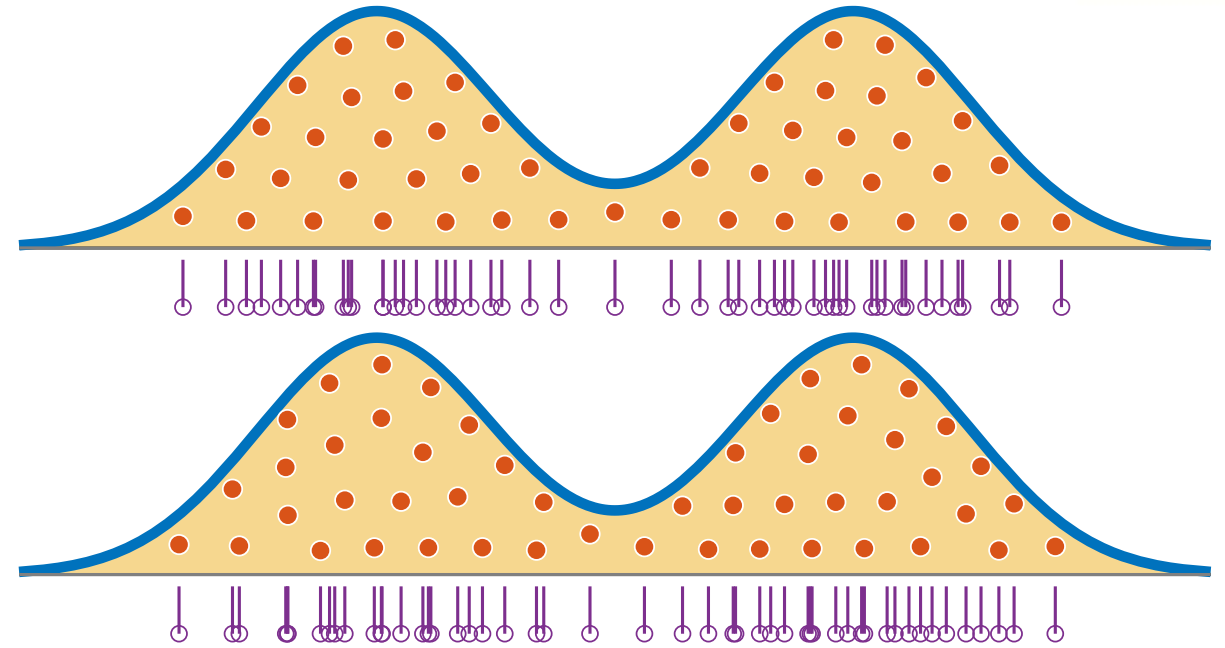
# Projection

- Result: Projections
- Locally inhomogeneous
- Similar to random



# Multi-Objective

- Null Space
  - Various distributions of  $\underline{\xi}$
  - Ambiguity  $\rightarrow$  Smooth Projection
- Uniformity measure x2
  - Joint space  $\underline{\xi}$
  - State space  $x$
- Parameter  $\alpha$  😞
  - Choose appropriately
  - Pareto front



$$\underline{\xi}_{1:L}^{\text{opt}} = \arg \min_{\underline{\xi}_{1:L}} \left\{ \Theta(\underline{\xi}_{1:L}) + \alpha \cdot \Theta(x_{1:L}) \right\}$$

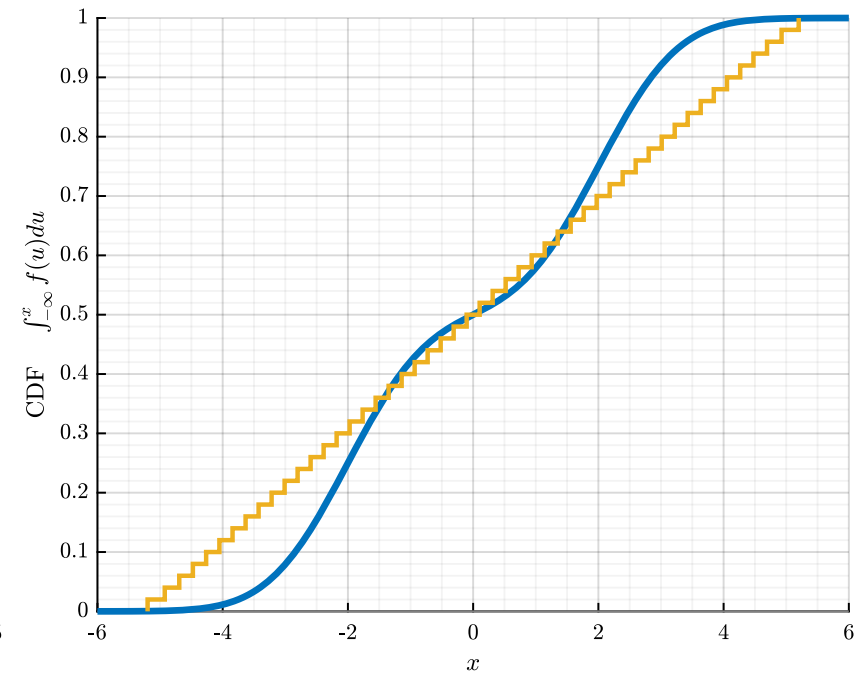
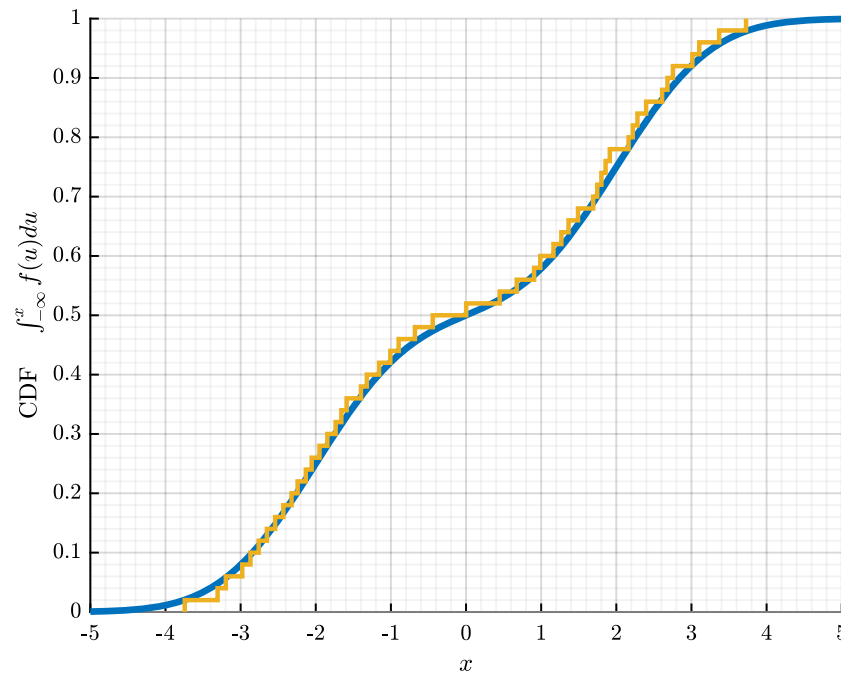
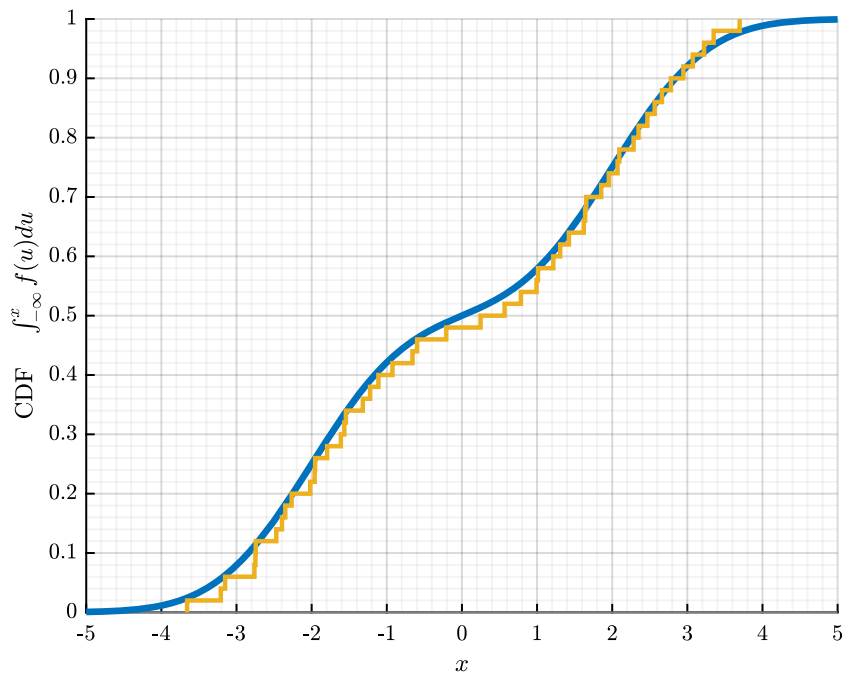
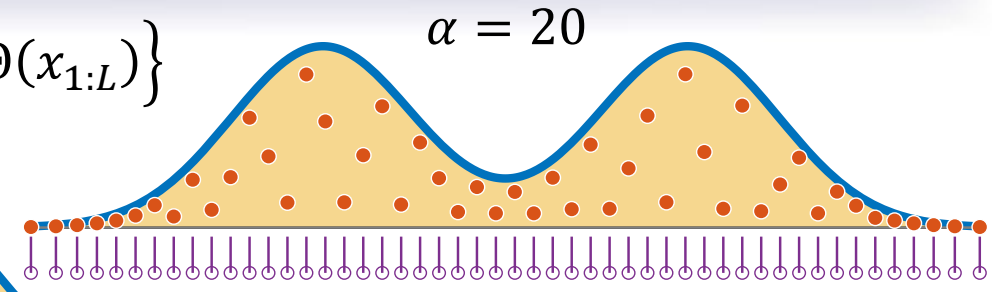
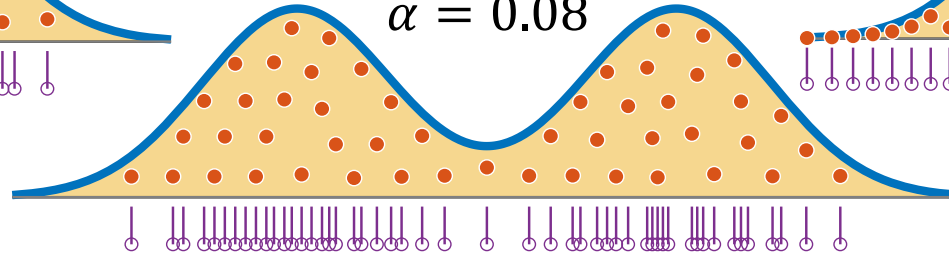
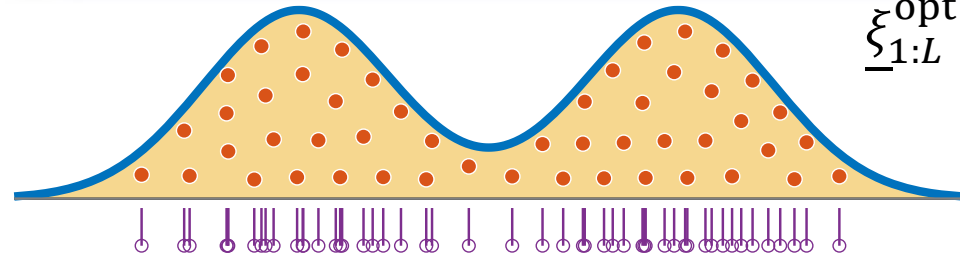
# Parameter Choice

$\alpha = 0.00002$

$$\underline{\xi}_{1:L}^{\text{opt}} = \arg \min_{\underline{\xi}_{1:L}} \left\{ \Theta(\underline{\xi}_{1:L}) + \alpha \cdot \Theta(x_{1:L}) \right\}$$

$\alpha = 20$

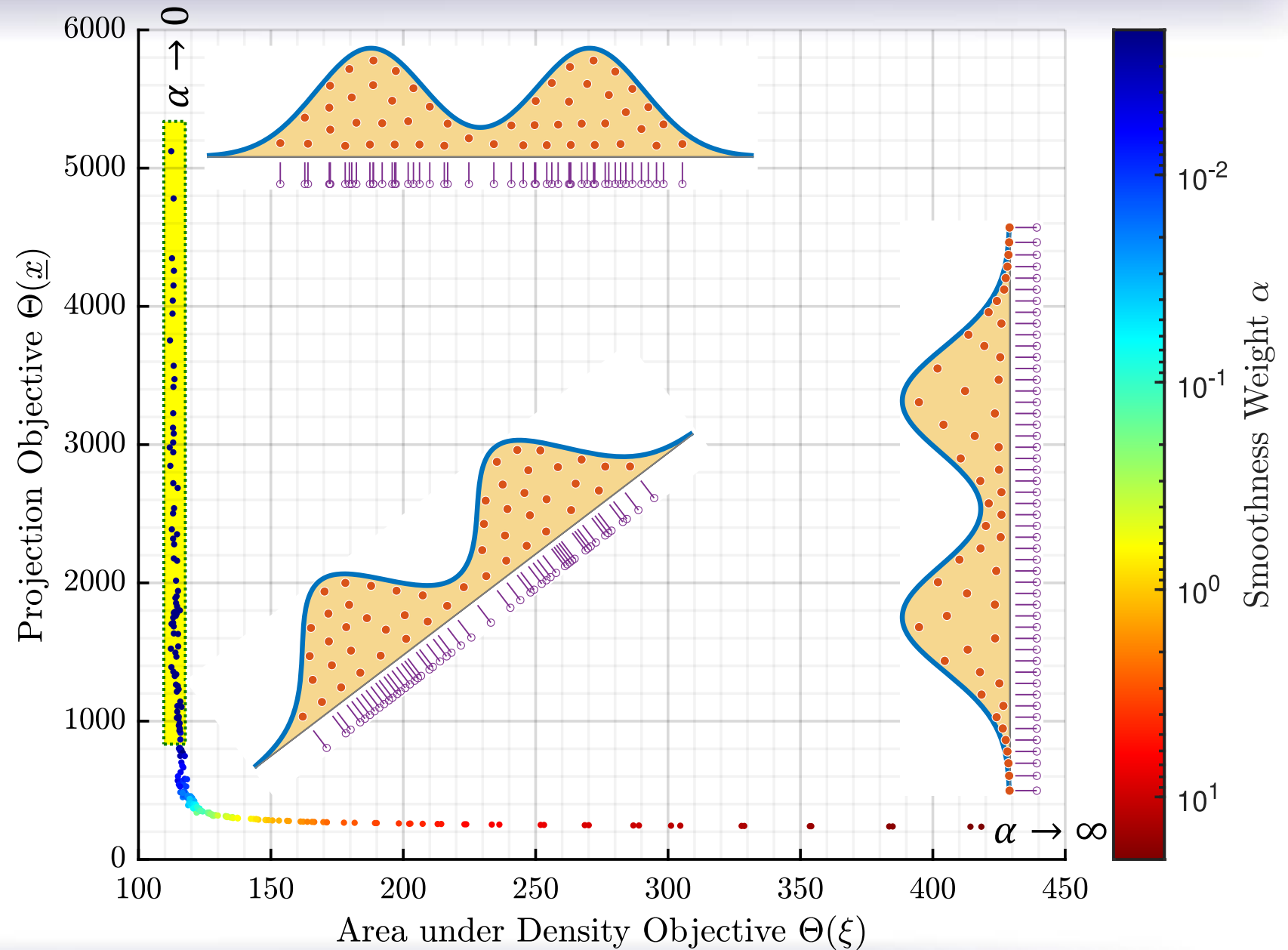
$\alpha = 0.08$



# Pareto Front

$$\Theta(\underline{\xi}_{1:L}) + \alpha \cdot \Theta(x_{1:L})$$

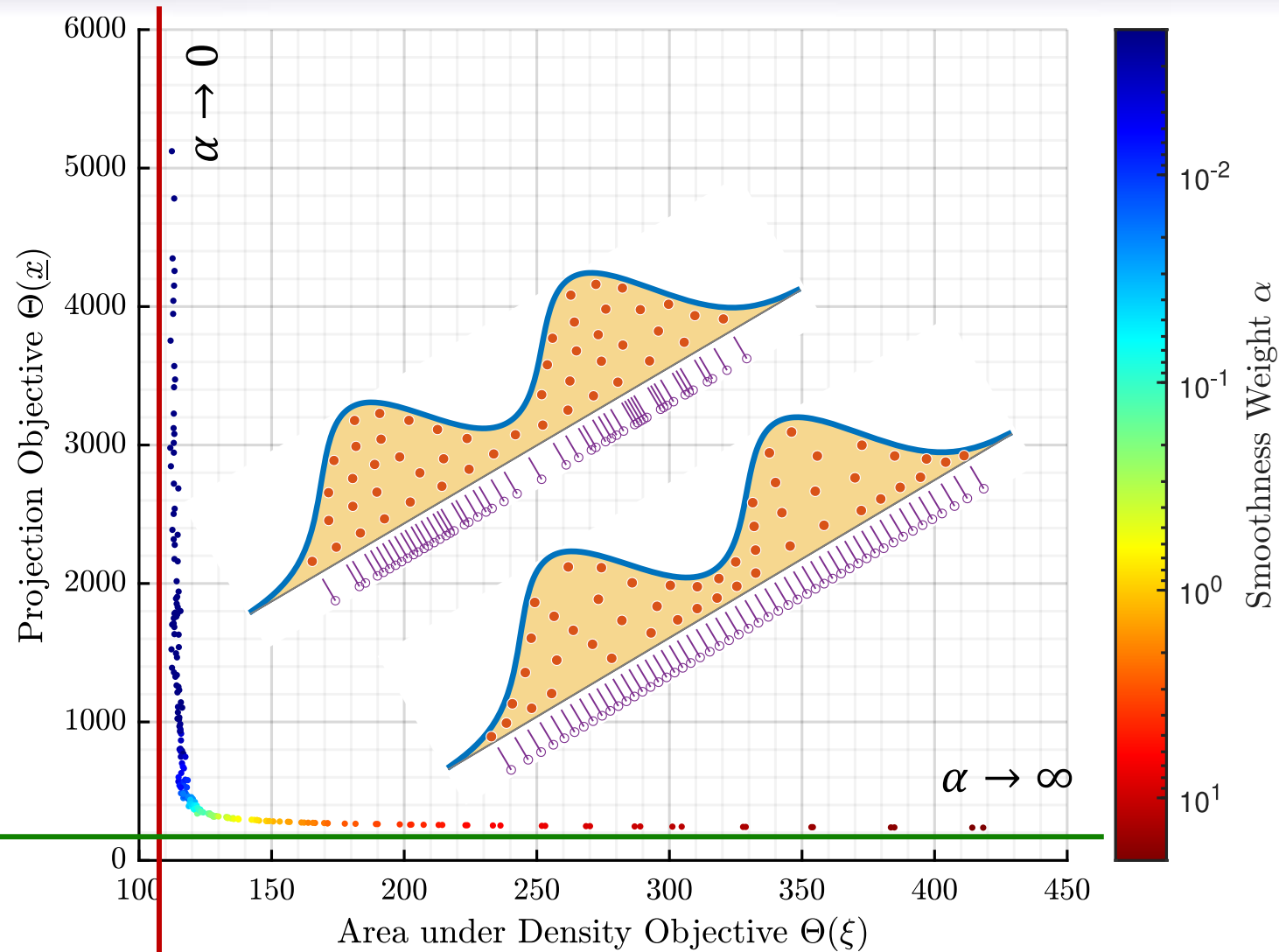
- Pareto front
  - Various  $\alpha$
- Null space
  - Uniform  $\underline{\xi}$
  - Uniform  $x$
- Tradeoff



# Determine Parameter?

$$\underbrace{\Theta(\underline{\xi}_{1:L})}_{\approx 112} + \alpha \underbrace{\Theta(\underline{x}_{1:L})}_{\approx 236}$$

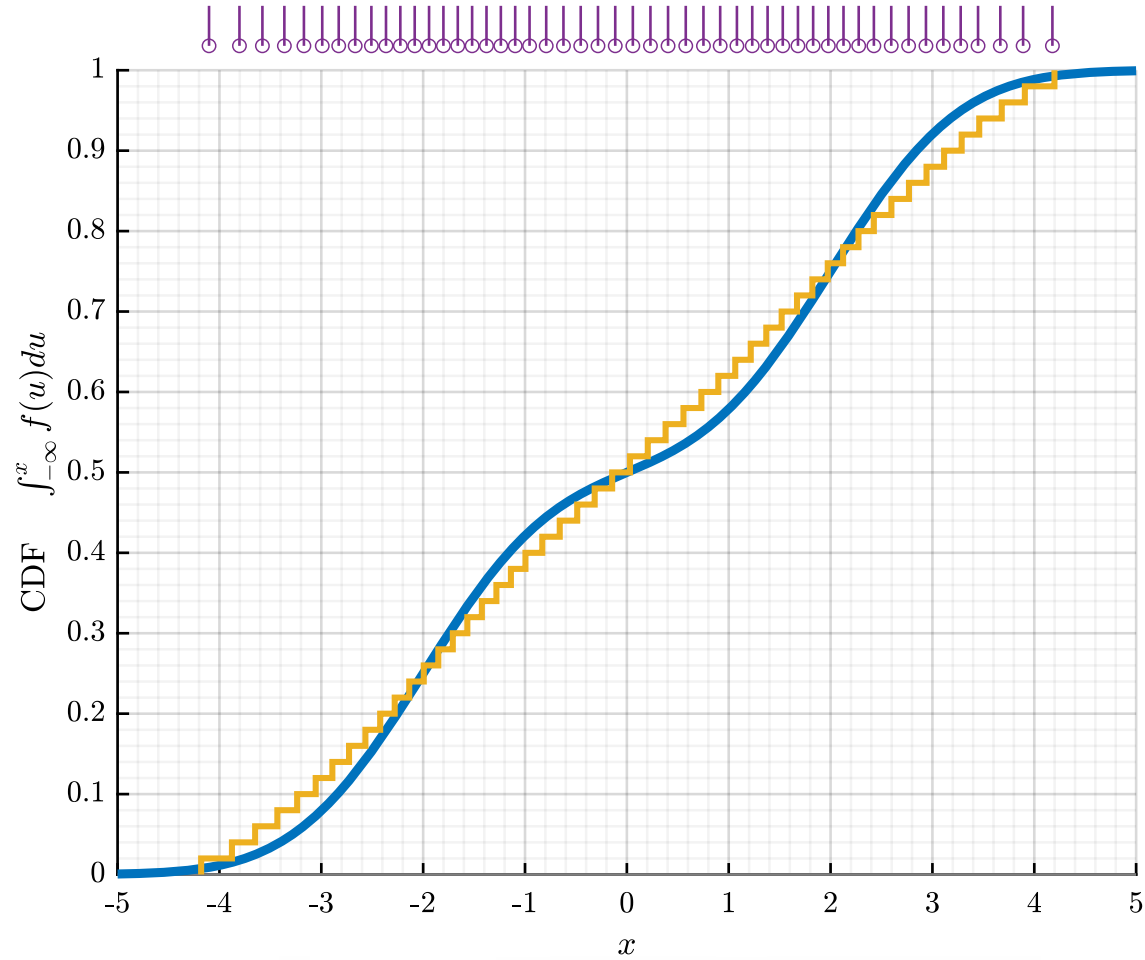
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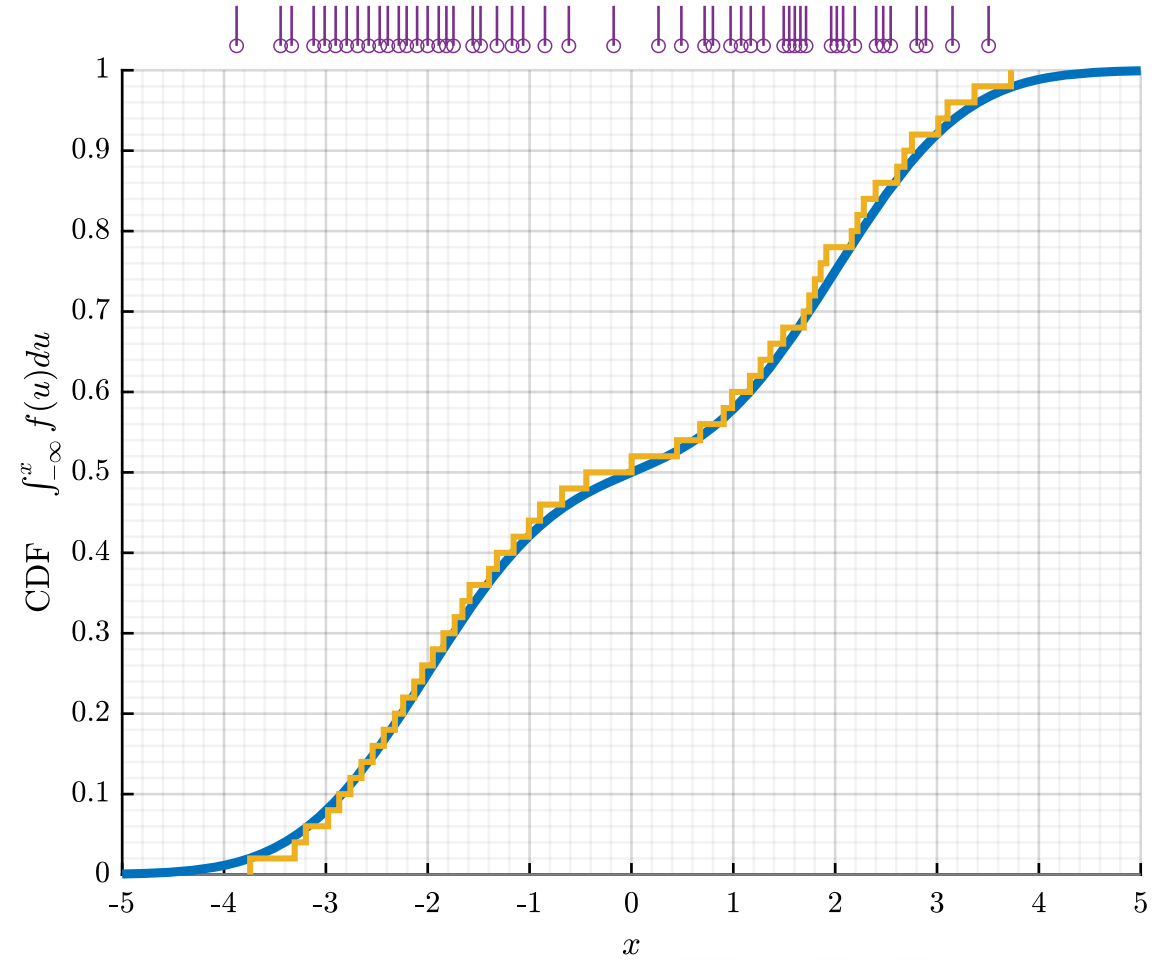
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# Fair-Weight Parameter

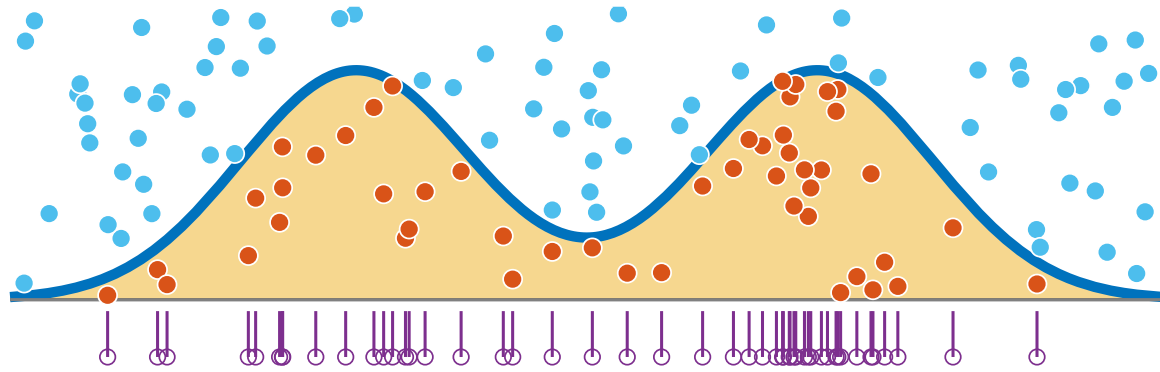
$\alpha = 0.46$



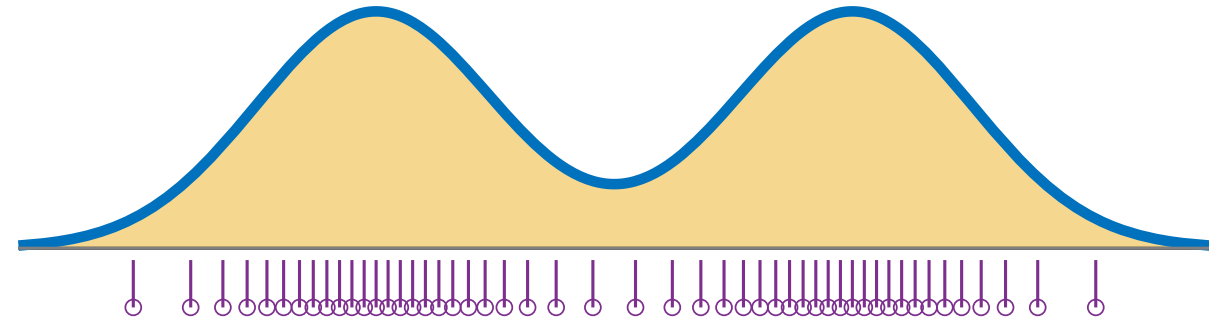
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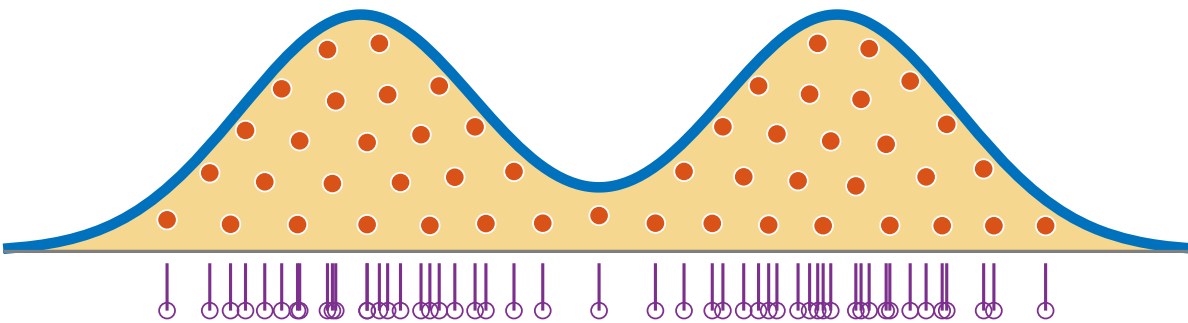
# Summary



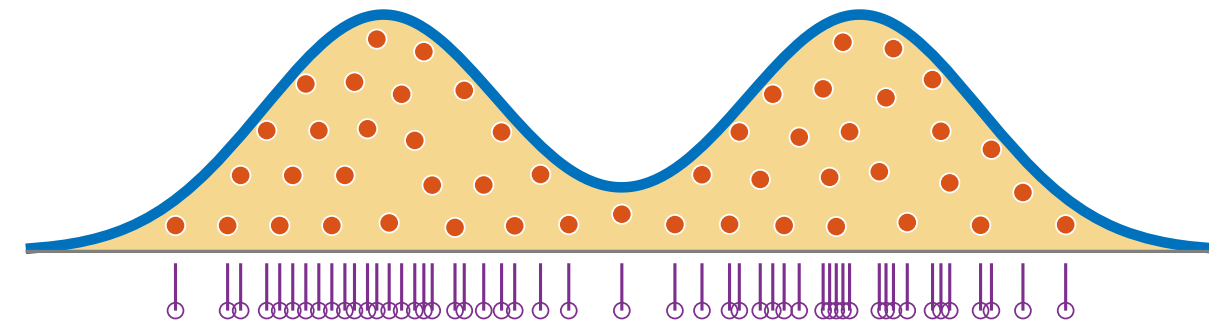
Random Rejection



Inverse Transform Sampling

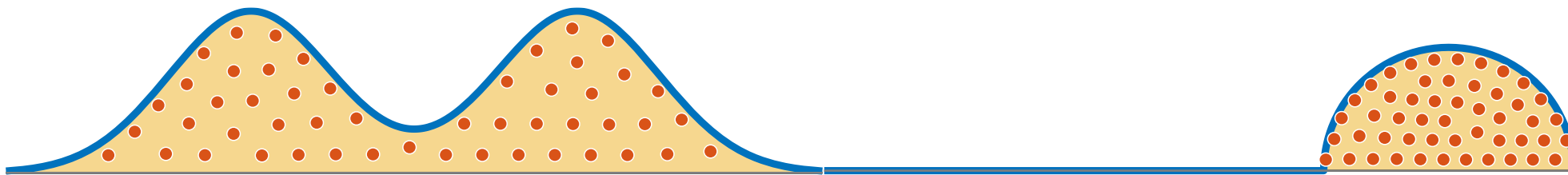


PoVuD



PoVuD + Smoothing

- Eliminate parameter dependency on
  - Other parameters
  - Density function
  - Number of samples
  - Dimension
- Optimization
  - More uniformity measures
  - Different one for projection
  - More optimizers
  - Implement Julia
- Implement
  - Higher dimensions
  - More densities
  - Evaluation



Thank you for your attention

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