

#### Large Scale Bayesian Inference in Cosmology

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  - Model comparison
  - Parameter studies
  - Report statistical summaries
  - Non-linear, Non-Gaussian error propagation



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$$\{x^{i}, p^{i}\} \longrightarrow \qquad \frac{dx_{i}}{dt} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_{i}}$$
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□ Example: Wiener posterior = multivariate normal distribution

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Not practical! Even with approximations!!!!

□ BORG (Bayesian Origin Reconstruction from Galaxies)

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- Second order Lagrangian perturbation theory



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□ Cosmological applications:

- Higher order statistics primordial non-Gaussianity
- Physically joint analysis of data at different cosmic Epochs

### Summary & Conclusion

#### Large scale Bayesian inference

- Inference in high dimensions from incomplete observations
  - Noise, systematic effects, survey geometry, selection effects, biases
- Need to quantify uncertainties <u>explore posterior distribution</u>
  - Markov Chain Monte Carlo methods
  - Hamiltonian sampling (exploit symmetries, decouple system)
  - Multiple block sampling (break down into subproblems)
- 3 high dimensional examples (>10^7 parameter)
  - Nonlinear density inference
  - Photometric redshift and density inference
  - ➢ 4D physical inference



### Thank you