

Inferring a rate

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import os

if "KERAS_BACKEND" not in os.environ:
    # set this to "torch", "tensorflow", or "jax"
    os.environ["KERAS_BACKEND"] = "jax"

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
import bayesflow as bf
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INFO:bayesflow:Using backend 'jax'
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The first problem in this chapter involves inferring a binomial rate:

$$\begin{aligned}\theta &\sim \text{Beta}(1, 1) \\ k &\sim \text{Binomial}(\theta, n).\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

Simulator

We will amortize over different sample sizes, so we will also draw randomly n during simulations.

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def context():
    return dict(n=np.random.randint(1, 101))

def prior():
    return dict(theta=np.random.beta(a=1, b=1))

def likelihood(n, theta):
    return dict(k=np.random.binomial(n=n, p=theta))
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simulator=bf.make_simulator([context, prior, likelihood])
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Approximator

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adapter = (
    bf.Adapter()
    .constrain("theta", lower=0, upper=1)
    .rename("theta", "inference_variables")
    .concatenate(["k", "n"], into="inference_conditions")
)

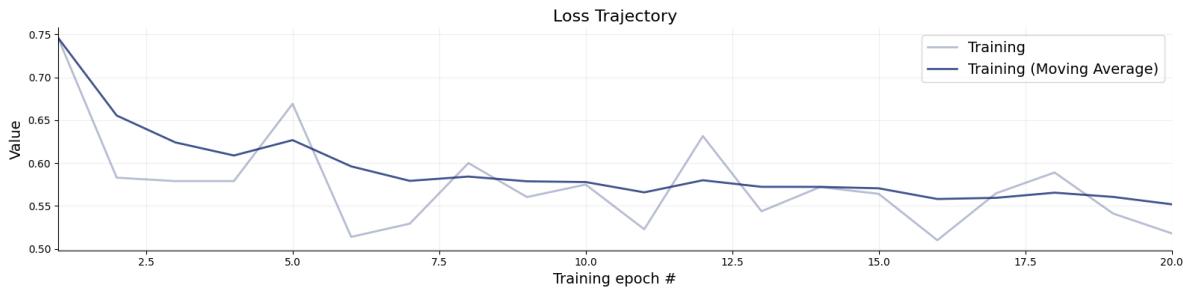
workflow=bf.BasicWorkflow(
    simulator=simulator,
    adapter=adapter,
    inference_network=bf.networks.CouplingFlow()
)
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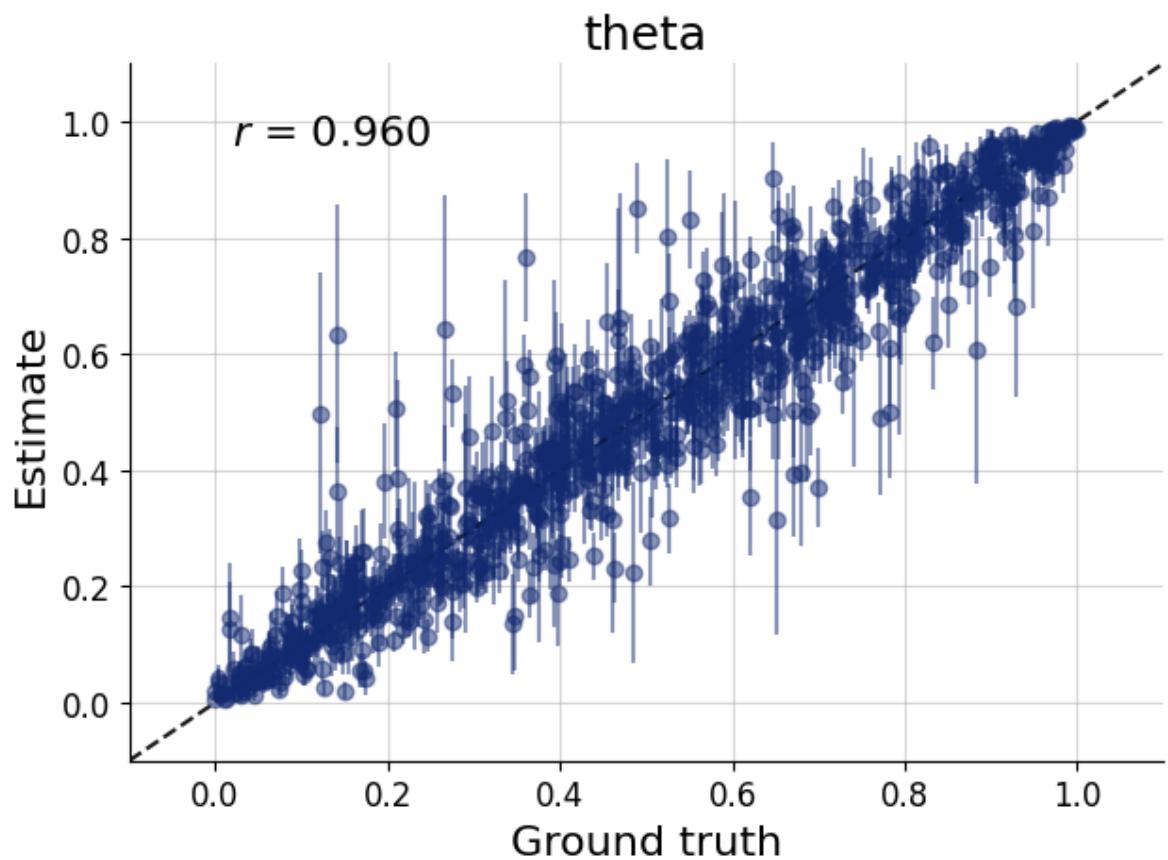
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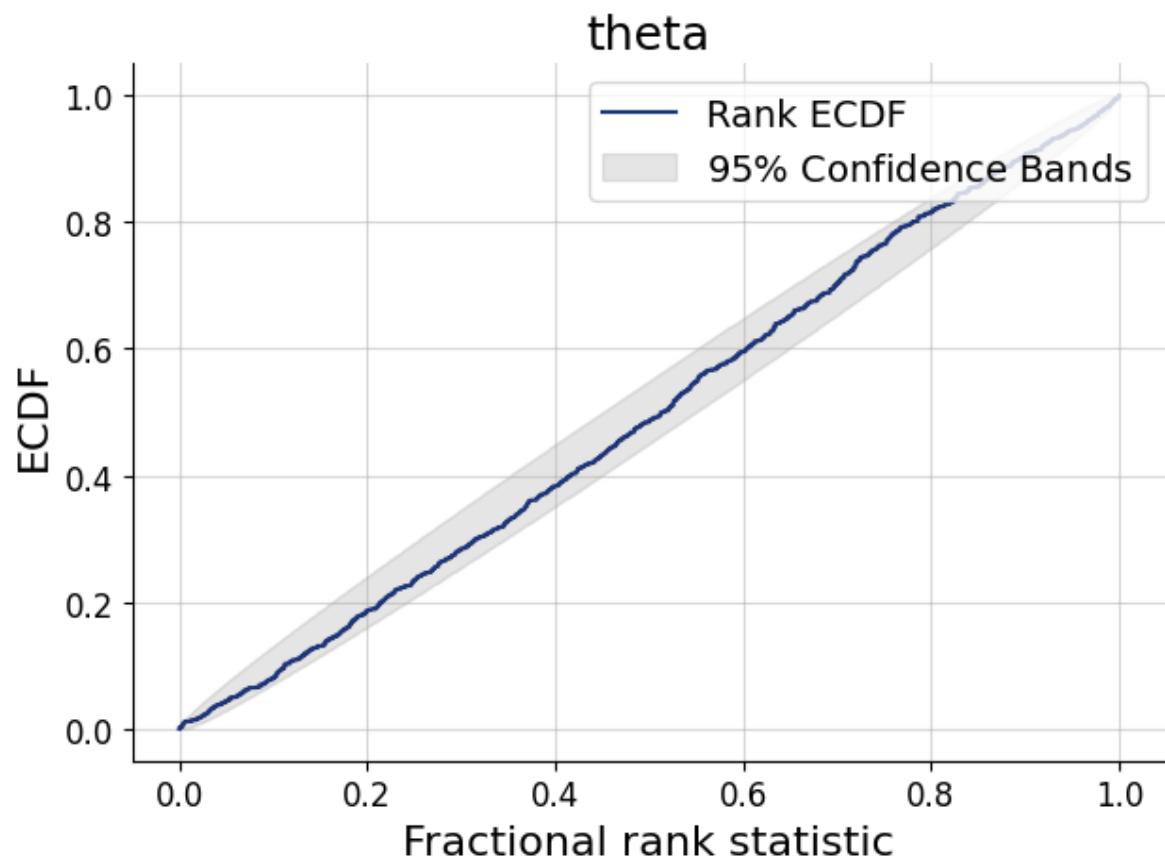
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history=workflow.fit_online(epochs=20, batch_size=512)
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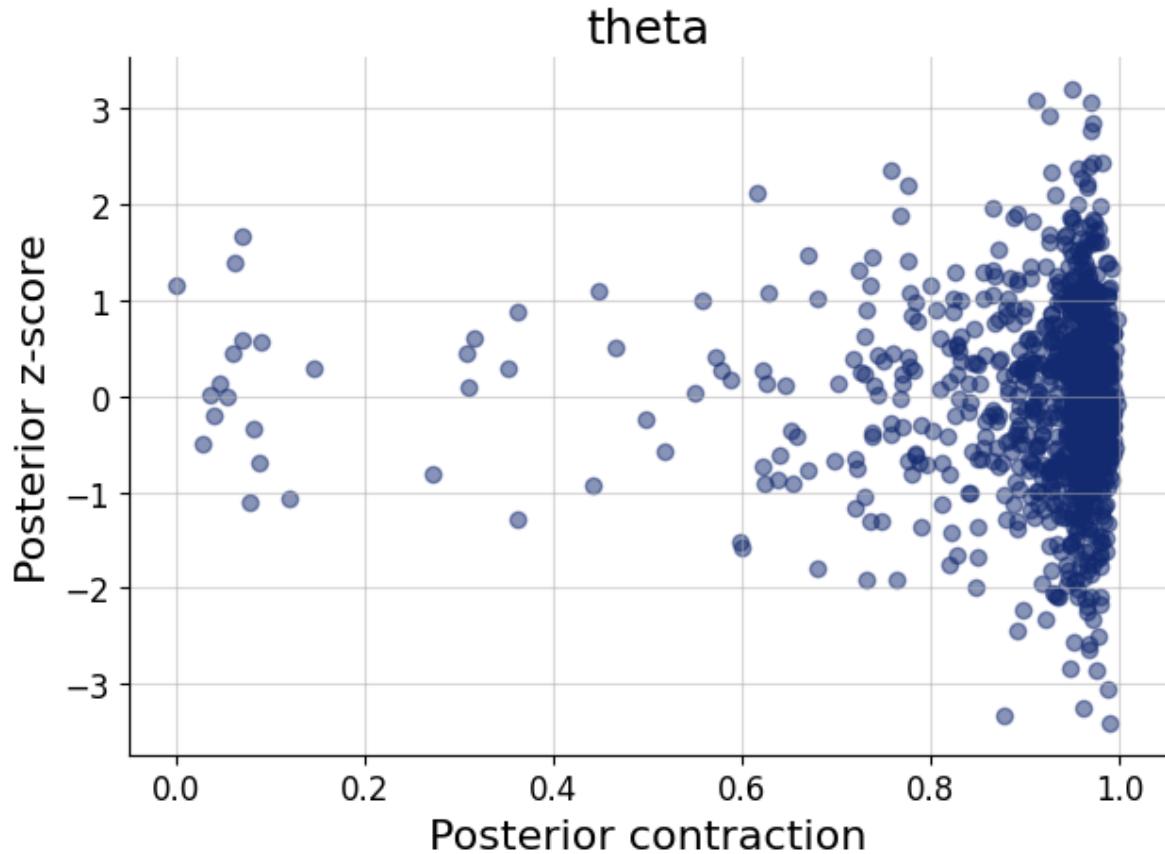
Validation

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test_data=simulator.sample(1000)
figs=workflow.plot_default_diagnostics(test_data=test_data, num_samples=500)
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Inference

Now we obtain the approximation of the posterior distribution of θ given $k = 5$ and $n = 10$

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inference_data = dict(
    k = np.array([[5]]),
    n = np.array([[10]])
)

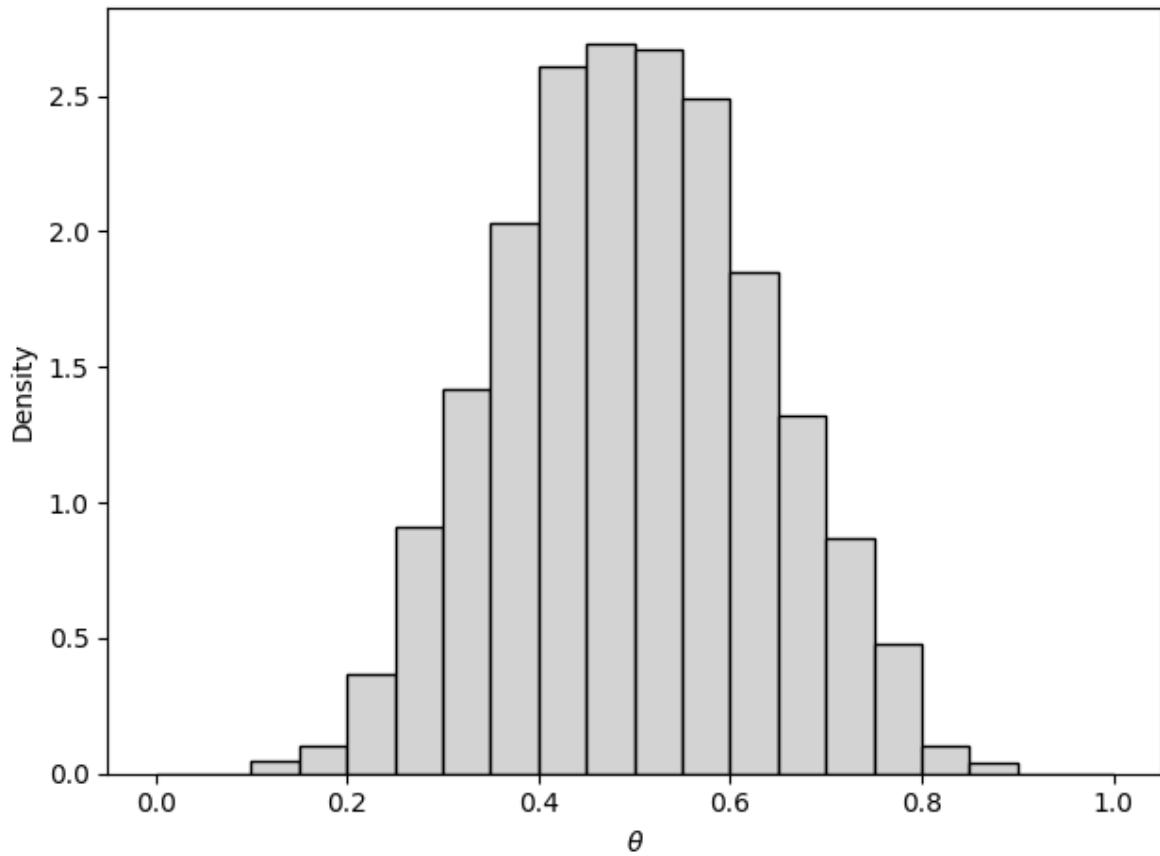
samples = workflow.sample(num_samples=2000, conditions=inference_data)

workflow.samples_to_data_frame(samples).describe()

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theta	
count	2000.000000
mean	0.498038
std	0.134124
min	0.125993
25%	0.401482
50%	0.496852
75%	0.591911
max	0.870781

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plt.hist(samples["theta"].flatten(), density=True, color="lightgray", edgecolor="black", bins=20)
plt.xlabel(r"\theta")
plt.ylabel("Density")
plt.tight_layout()
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