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Message from the Guest Editors

Entropy has now become a key tool in the analysis and the simulation of dynamical systems, way beyond its traditional role in statistical physics and statistics. Entropy methods appear in connection with functional inequalities in the analysis of evolution equations and gradient flows, the modeling of inverse problems for UQ and data assimilation, or as a probabilistic tool for solving high-dimensional and nonconvex problems in combinatorial optimization and machine learning.

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- Functional inequalities, optimal transportation;
- Information-theoretic aspects of coarse-graining;
- Sensitivity analysis of dynamical systems;
- Nonequilibrium statistical mechanics and large deviations;
- Machine learning and statistics (e.g., Stein's method);
- Duality methods in control and estimation;
- Maximum entropy methods for prediction and inference;
- Application to large-scale systems, e.g., molecular dynamics, fluid dynamics, material science.



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