

Soss: Declarative Probabilistic Programming via Runtime Code Generation

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Define a model

```
julia> m = @model X begin
  n = size(X,1)
  k = size(X,2)
  w ~ Normal(0,1) |> iid(k)
  Xw = X * w
  y ~ For(n) do j
    Normal(Xw[j], 0.1)
  end
end;
```

Sample from the prior predictive distribution

```
julia> X = randn(5,2)
julia> y = rand(m(X=X)).y
5-element Array{Float64,1}:
 0.3768704663975828
 1.4621562961167427
-1.6208481557729684
 0.1637164408878848
-0.7876617758997144
```

Sample from the posterior

```
julia> post = dynamicHMC(m(X=X), (y=y,));
julia> particles(post)
(w = Particles{Float64,1000}[1.12 ± 0.097, 0.424 ± 0.035],)
```

Sample from the posterior predictive distribution

```
julia> pred = predict(m(X=X), post);
julia> y_rep = particles(pred).y
5-element Array{Particles{Float64,1000},1}:
 0.465 ± 0.11
 1.4 ± 0.12
-1.64 ± 0.12
 0.212 ± 0.1
-0.757 ± 0.13
```

Posterior Predictive Checks (here Bayesian p-values)

```
julia> y_rep .< y
5-element Array{Particles{Bool,1000},1}:
 0.198 ± 0.4
 0.69 ± 0.46
 0.57 ± 0.5
 0.307 ± 0.46
 0.415 ± 0.49
```

A Soss model is a function from its arguments to a distribution over named tuples

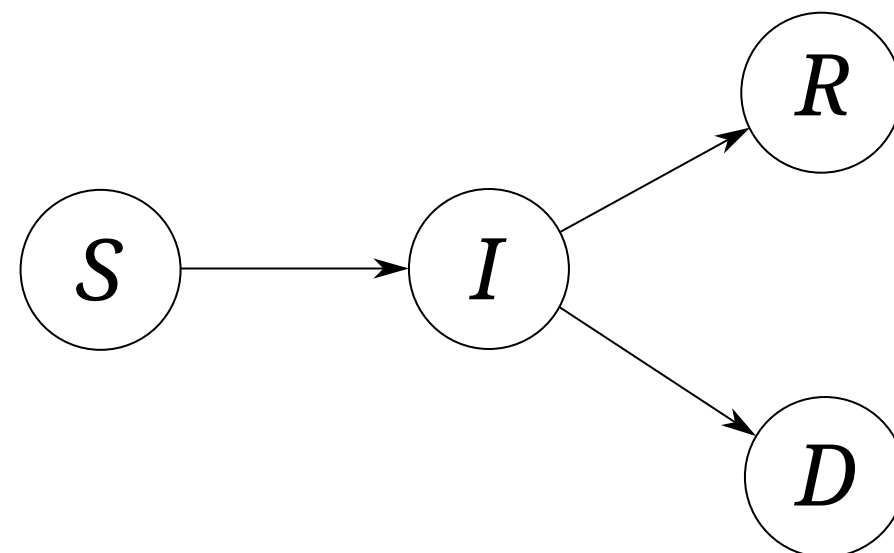
A simplified epidemiology Markov transition

```
mstep = @model pars,state begin
  # Parameters
  α = pars.α # Daily transmission rate
  β = pars.β # Daily recovery rate
  γ = pars.γ # Daily case fatality rate

  # Starting counts
  s0 = state.s # Susceptible
  i0 = state.i # Infected
  r0 = state.r # Recovered
  d0 = state.d # Deceased
  n = s0 + i0 + r0 # Population

  # Transitions between states
  si ~ Binomial(s0, α * i0 / n)
  ir ~ Binomial(i0, β)
  id ~ Binomial(i0 - ir, γ)

  # Updated counts
  next = ( s = s0 - si
           , i = i0 + si - ir - id
           , r = r0 + ir
           , d = d0 + id
         )
end;
```



Sample from the posterior

```
julia> ppost
(γ = 0.000102 ± 7.1e-7, β = 0.00314 ± 3.7e-6, α = 0.00975 ± 6.9e-6)
```

```
# R0
julia> ppost.α / (ppost.β + ppost.γ)
Particles{Float64,1000}
 3.00623 ± 0.0042
```

```
# Case fatality rate
julia> ppost.γ / (ppost.β + ppost.γ)
Particles{Float64,1000}
 0.0314686 ± 0.000203
```

```
# Implied infection duration
julia> 1/(ppost.β + ppost.γ)
Particles{Float64,1000}
 308.335 ± 0.376
```

Markov process model using the transition

```
m = @model s0 begin
  α ~ Uniform()
  β ~ Uniform()
  γ ~ Uniform()
  pars = (α=α, β=β, γ=γ)
  x ~ MarkovChain(pars, mstep(pars=pars, state=s0))
end
```

Model's type includes the model itself

```
julia> typeof(m).parameters[1]
NamedTuple{(:X,),T} where T::Tuple
```

```
julia> typeof(m).parameters[2]
TypeEncoding(begin
  n = size(X, 1)
  k = size(X, 2)
  w ~ Normal(0, 1) |> iid(k)
  Xw = X * w
  y ~ For(n) do j
    Normal(Xw[j], 0.1)
  end
end)
```

```
julia> typeof(m).parameters[3]
TypeEncoding(Main)
```

Forward and reverse DAG edges

```
julia> digraph(m).N
Dict{Symbol,Set{Symbol}} with 6 entries:
 :Xw => Set{[:y]}
 :w => Set{[:Xw]}
 :n => Set{[:y]}
 :k => Set{[:w]}
 :y => Set{Symbol}()
 :X => Set{[:Xw, :n, :k]}
```

```
julia> digraph(m).NN
Dict{Symbol,Set{Symbol}} with 6 entries:
 :Xw => Set{[:w, :X]}
 :w => Set{[:k]}
 :n => Set{[:X]}
 :k => Set{[:X]}
 :y => Set{[:Xw, :n]}
 :X => Set{Symbol}()
```

Model fields index into expressions

```
julia> m.args
1-element Array{Symbol,1}:
 :X

julia> m.dists
(w = :(Normal(0, 1) |> iid(k))
, y = :(For(n) do j
      Normal(Xw[j], 0.1)
    end)
)

julia> m.vals
(n = :(size(X, 1))
, k = :(size(X, 2))
, Xw = :(X * w)
)
```

```
julia> Soss.statements(m)
6-element Array{Soss.Statement,1}:
 Soss.Arg(:X)
 Soss.Assign(:n, :(size(X, 1)))
 Soss.Assign(:k, :(size(X, 2)))
 Soss.Assign(:Xw, :(X * w))
 Soss.Sample(:w, :(Normal(0, 1) |> iid(k)))
 Soss.Sample(:y, :(For(n) do j
                  Normal(Xw[j], 0.1)
                end))
```

Runtime codegen, staged compilation

```
julia> Soss.sourceLogpdf(m)
quote
  _ℓ = 0.0
  n = size(X, 1)
  k = size(X, 2)
  _ℓ += logpdf(Normal(0, 1) |> iid(k), w)
  Xw = X * w
  _ℓ += logpdf(For(n) do j
              Normal(Xw[j], 0.1)
            end, y)
  return _ℓ
end

julia> Soss.sourceRand(m)
:(_rng->begin
  n = size(X, 1)
  k = size(X, 2)
  w = rand(_rng, iid(k, Normal(0, 1)))
  Xw = X * w
  y = rand(_rng, For((j)->begin
                    Normal(Xw[j], 0.1)
                  end), n)
  (n = n, k = k, Xw = Xw, w = w, y = y)
end)
```

Gaussian process with kernel uncertainty using AbstractGPs.jl

```
m = @model x begin
  # Priors.
  α ~ LogNormal(0.0, 0.1)
  ρ ~ LogNormal(0.0, 1.0)
  σ ~ LogNormal(0.0, 1.0)

  # Covariance function.
  kernel = α^2 * transform(SEKernel(), 1/(ρ*√2))

  # GP (implicit zero-mean).
  gp = GP(kernel)

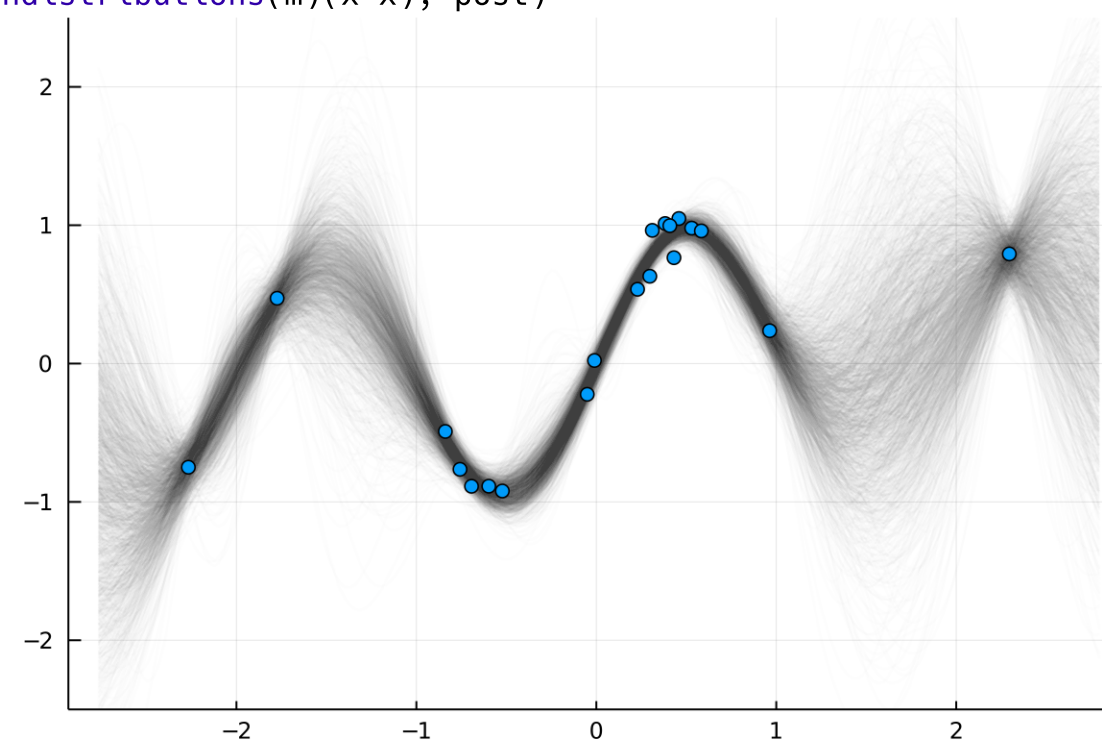
  # Sampling Distribution (MvNormal likelihood).
  y ~ gp(x, σ^2 + 1e-6) # add 1e-6 for numerical stability.
end

# Get some fake data
x = randn(20)

y = sinpi.(x) .+ 0.1 .* randn(20);

# Sample from the posterior
post = dynamicHMC(m(x=x), (;y=y))

pred = [posterior(p._y_dist, y)
        for p in predict(Soss.withdistributions(m)(x=x), post)
       ]
```



Soss builds on many other libraries.

Thank you to the authors who've made it possible!

```
(Soss) pkg> status
Project Soss v0.15.3
Status `~/git/Soss.jl/Project.toml`
 [0bf59076] AdvancedHMC v0.2.25
 [76274a88] Bijectors v0.8.4
 [324d7699] CategoricalArrays v0.8.2
 [d360d2e6] ChainRulesCore v0.9.10
 [163ba53b] DiffResults v1.0.2
 [31c24e10] Distributions v0.23.8
 [ced4e74d] DistributionsAD v0.6.9
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 [ec83eff0] SimplePartitions v0.3.0
 [b2aef97b] SimplePosets v0.1.3
 [276daf66] SpecialFunctions v0.10.3
 [4c63d2b9] StatsFuns v0.9.5
 [84d833dd] TransformVariables v0.3.10
 [de0858da] Printf
 [9a3f8284] Random
 [10745b16] Statistics
```