

# Measure-valued Proximal Recursions for Learning and Control

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# Convex optimization over the space of probability measures

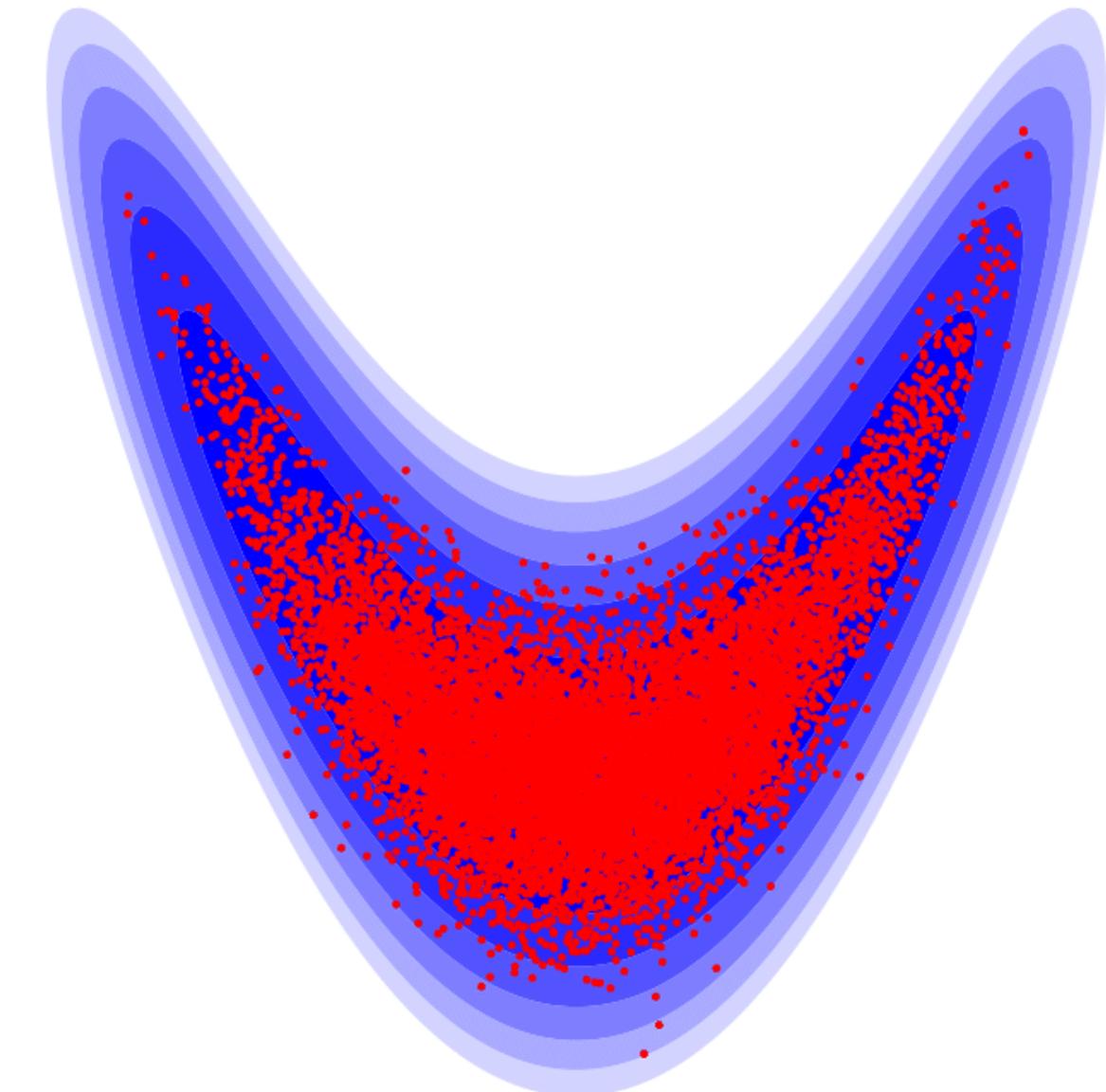
$$\mu^{\text{opt}} = \arg \inf_{\mu \in \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)} F(\mu)$$

Convex functional

Manifold of probability measures supported on  $\mathbb{R}^d$  with finite second moments

# Motivating Applications

Langevin sampling from given unnormalized prior



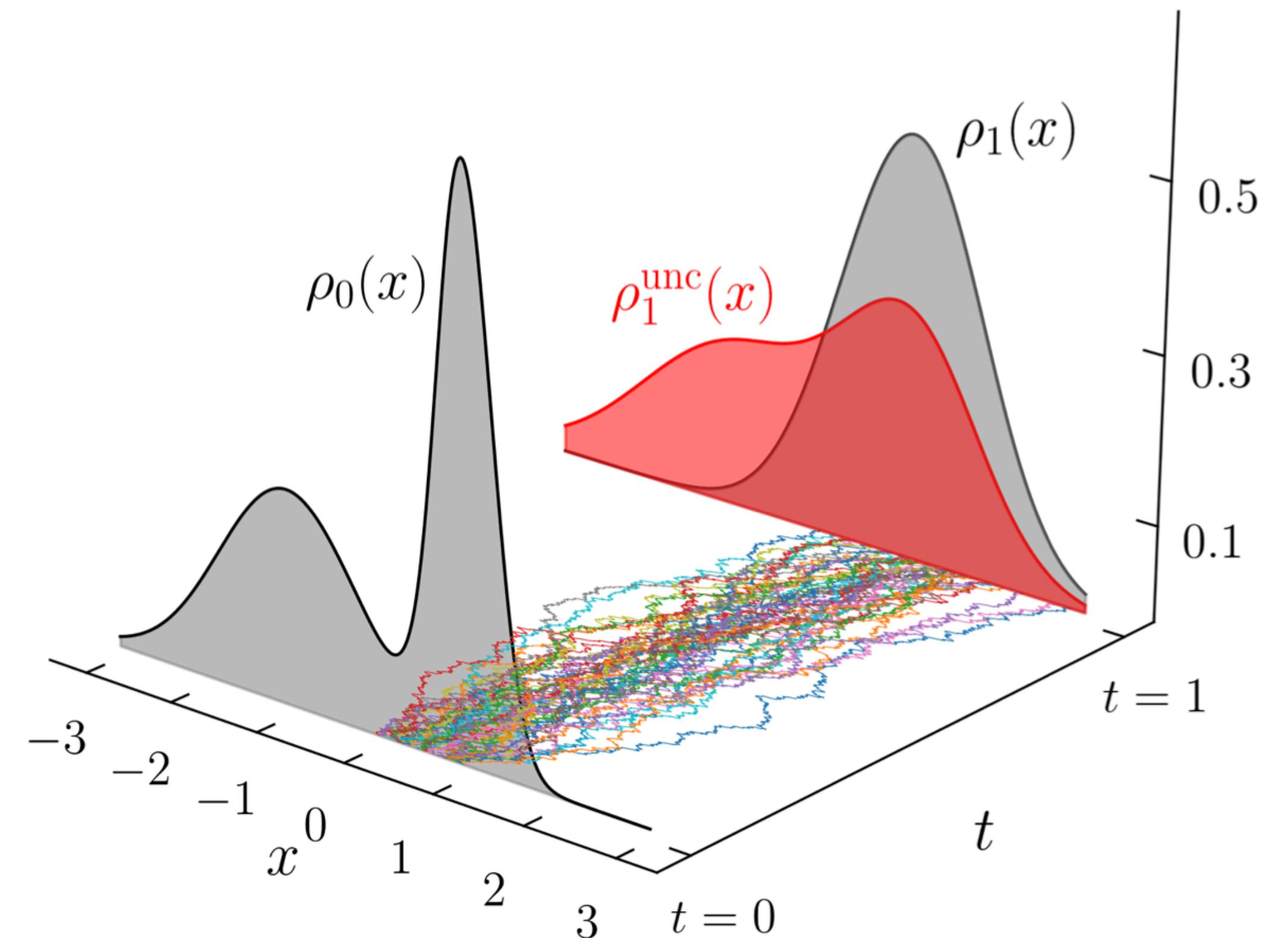
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Density control

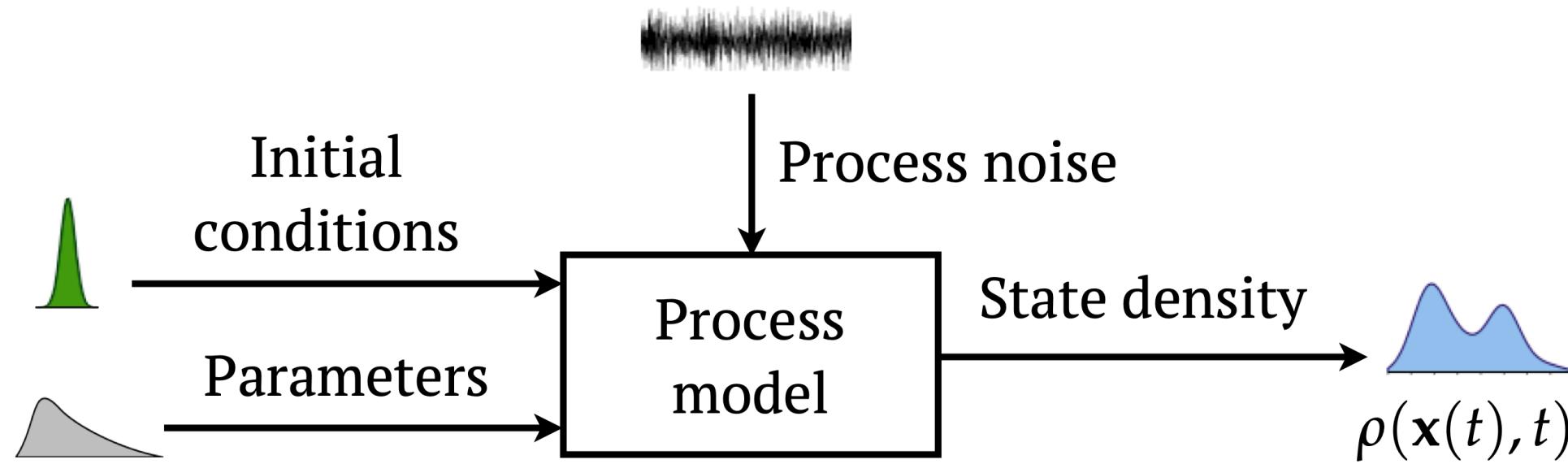


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# Motivating Applications

## Stochastic prediction

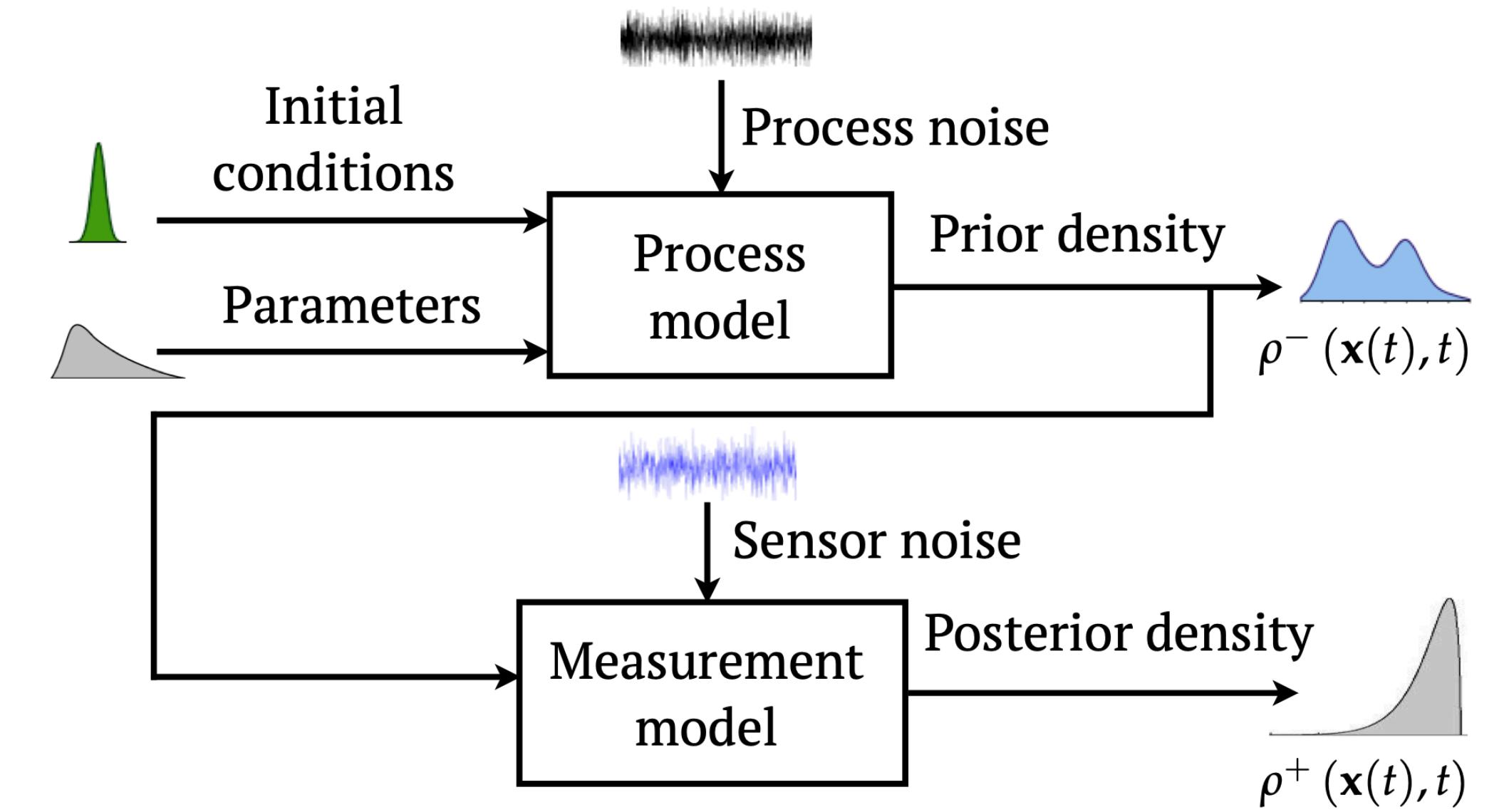


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## Stochastic estimation



## Mean field neural network learning

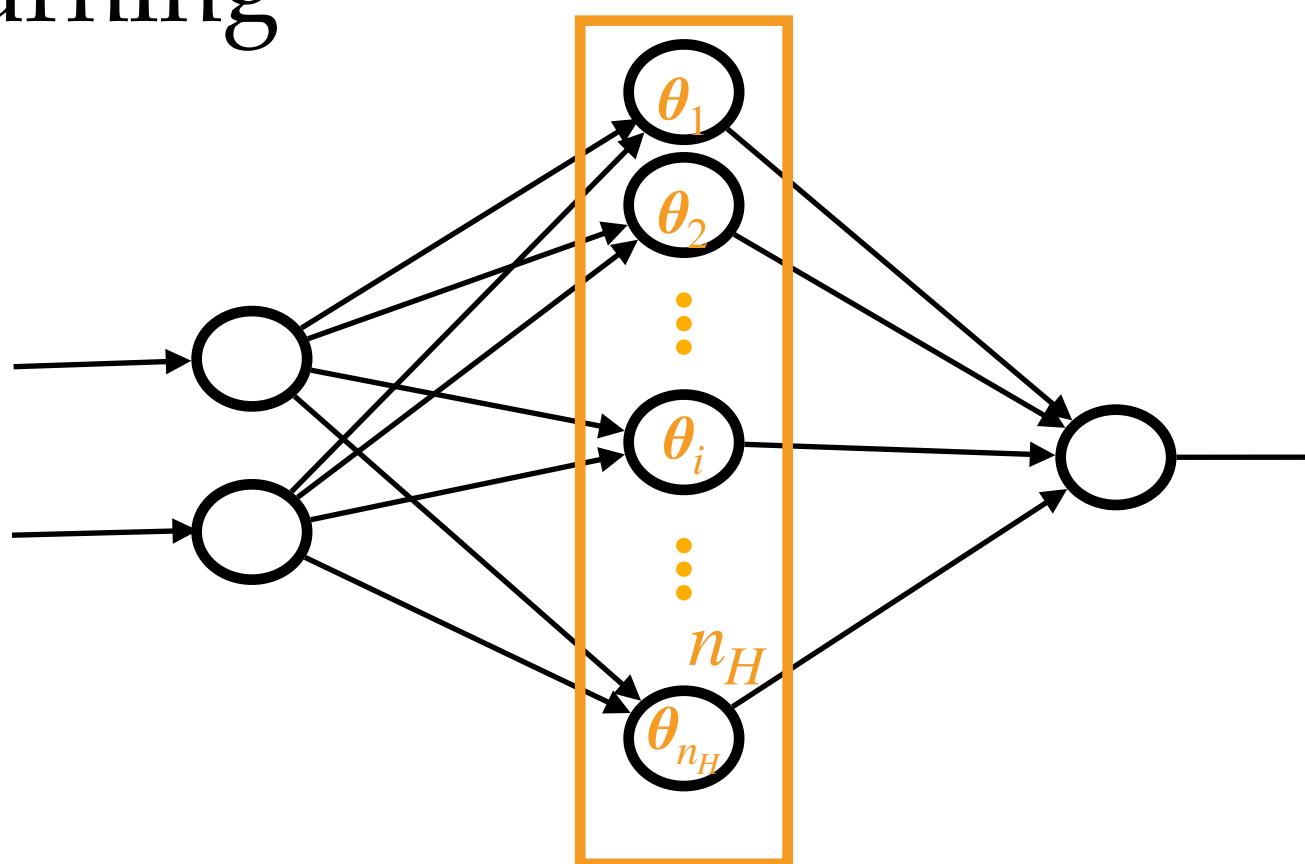
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[Halder and Georgiou, 2017, 2018, 2019]

# Measure valued proximal operator

$$\mu^{\text{opt}} = \text{prox}_{hF}^{\text{dist}}(\nu) := \arg \inf_{\mu \in \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)} \frac{1}{2} \left( \text{dist}(\mu, \nu) \right)^2 + hF(\mu)$$

Distance

Step size

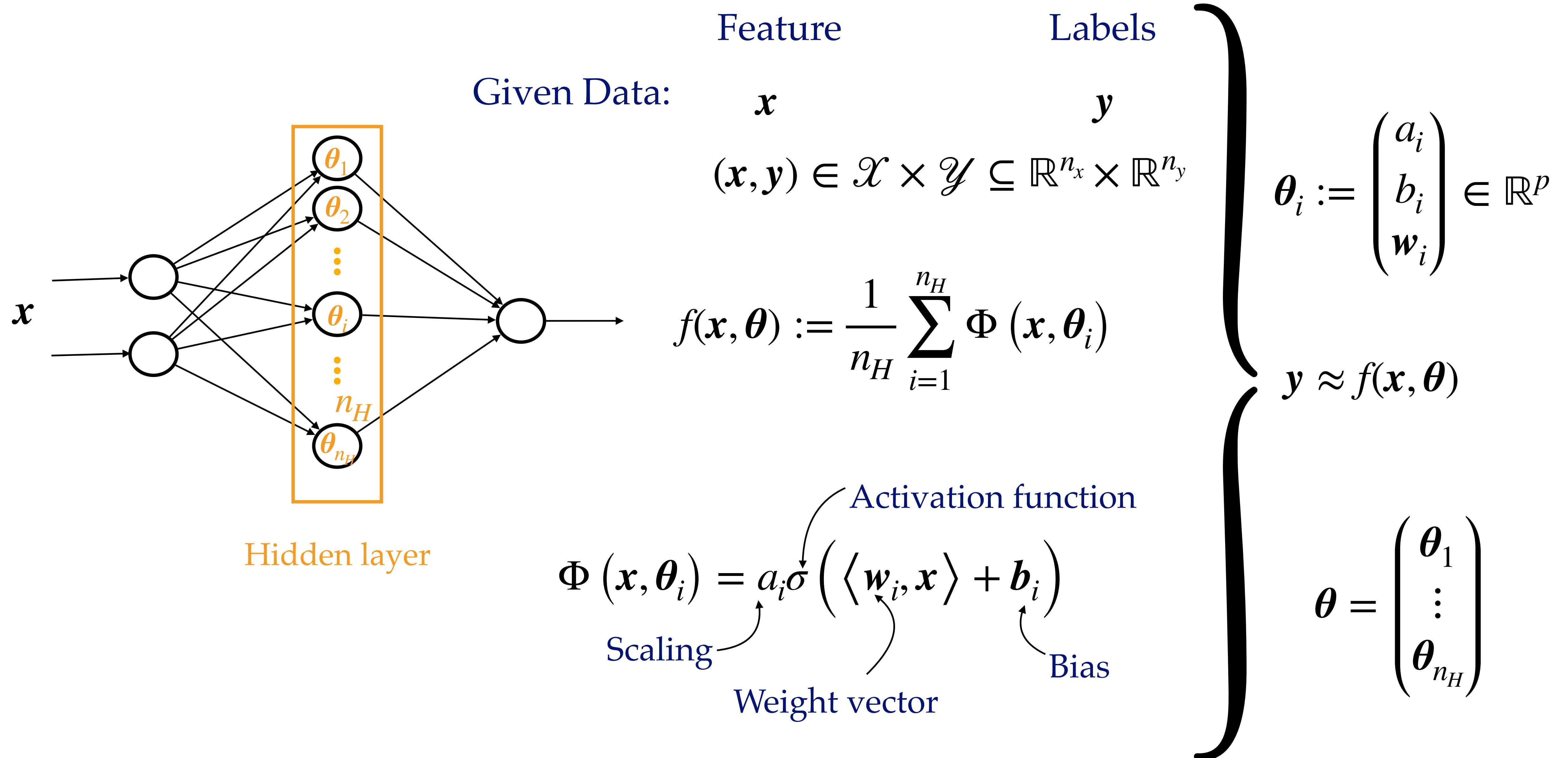
Convex functional

# Outline of this talk

- 1. Measure-valued Proximal Recursions for Mean Field Neural Network Learning**
- 2. Measure-valued Proximal Recursions for Optimal Steering of Distributions via Feedback Control**
- 3. Distributed Algorithms**
- 4. Future Plans**

# Measure-valued Proximal Recursions for Mean Field Neural Network Learning

# Empirical Risk Minimization for Supervised Learning



# Empirical Risk Minimization for Supervised Learning

$$l(y, x, \theta) \equiv l(y, f(x, \theta)) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \|y - f(x, \theta)\|_2^2}_{\text{Quadratic loss}}$$

$\Delta$  unknown

$$R(f) := \mathbb{E}_\Delta[l(y, x, \theta)] \xrightarrow{\quad} R(f) \approx \underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n l(y_j, x_j, \theta)}_{\text{Empirical risk}}$$

$$\min_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}^{p n_H}} R(f)$$

Finite dimensional  
nonconvex problem

State-of-the-art: search optimal  $\theta$  using variants of SGD

# Learning Algorithm Dynamics: the Mean Field Limit

Absolutely continuous

$$f = \underbrace{\int_{\mathbb{R}^p} \Phi(x, \theta) d\mu(\theta)}_{\text{Hidden neuronal population mass}} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^p} \Phi(x, \theta) \rho(\theta) d\theta = \mathbb{E}_{\theta}[\Phi(x, \theta)]$$

Hidden neuronal population mass

$$\begin{aligned} F(\rho) := R(f(x, \rho)) &= \mathbb{E}_{\Delta} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left\| y - \int_{\mathbb{R}^p} \Phi(x, \theta) \rho(\theta) d\theta \right\|_2^2 \right] \\ &= F_0 + \int_{\mathbb{R}^p} V(\theta) \rho(\theta) d\theta + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2p}} U(\theta, \tilde{\theta}) \rho(\theta) \rho(\tilde{\theta}) d\theta d\tilde{\theta} \end{aligned}$$

$\mathbb{E}_{\Delta} [\|y\|_2^2]$   $\mathbb{E}_{\Delta}[-2y\Phi(x, \theta)]$   $\mathbb{E}_{\Delta}[\Phi(x, \theta)\Phi(x, \tilde{\theta})]$

$$\min_{\rho} F(\rho)$$

Infinite dimensional  
optimization

# Regularized Ensemble Risk Minimization

Entropy regularized risk functional

$$F_\beta(\rho) := F(\rho) + \overbrace{\beta^{-1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^p} \rho \log \rho d\theta}^{\text{strictly convex regularizer}}, \quad \beta > 0$$

Sample path dynamics: noisy SGD

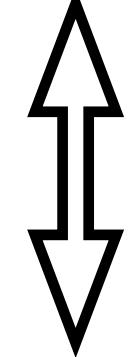
$$d\theta = -\nabla_\theta \left( V(\theta) + \int_{\mathbb{R}^p} U(\theta, \tilde{\theta}) \rho(\tilde{\theta}) d\tilde{\theta} \right) dt + \sqrt{2\beta^{-1}} dw$$

Ensemble dynamics: mean field PDE IVP

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = \nabla_\theta \cdot \left( \rho \left( V(\theta) + \int_{\mathbb{R}^p} U(\theta, \tilde{\theta}) \rho(\tilde{\theta}) d\tilde{\theta} \right) \right) + \beta^{-1} \Delta_\theta \rho \quad \rho(\theta, 0) = \rho_0(\theta)$$

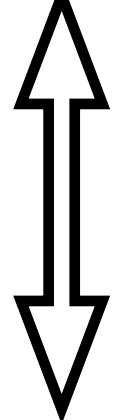
# Regularized Ensemble Risk Minimization:

Static variational problem:

$$\min_{\rho} F_{\beta}(\rho)$$


Wasserstein gradient flow

Mean field PDE:

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = - \nabla^{W_2} F_{\beta}(\rho) = - \nabla \cdot \left( \rho \nabla \frac{\delta F_{\beta}}{\delta \rho} \right)$$


Gradient descent

Gradient descent time-stepping:

$$\varrho_k = \text{prox}_{hF_{\beta}}^d (\varrho_{k-1}) := \arg \inf_{\varrho \in \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}^p)} \frac{1}{2} \left( d(\varrho, \varrho_{k-1}) \right)^2 + hF_{\beta}(\varrho)$$

Convergence guarantee:

$$\varrho_k(h, \theta) \xrightarrow{h \downarrow 0} \rho(t = kh, \theta) \quad \text{in } L^1(\mathbb{R}^p), \quad k \in \mathbb{N}$$

# Proximal Algorithm

$$V_{k-1} \equiv V(\theta_{k-1}) := \mathbb{E}_{\Delta} \left[ -2y\Phi(x, \theta_{k-1}) \right]$$

$$U_{k-1} \equiv U(\theta_{k-1}, \tilde{\theta}_{k-1}) := \mathbb{E}_{\Delta} \left[ \Phi(x, \theta_{k-1}) \Phi(x, \tilde{\theta}_{k-1}) \right]$$

$$C_k(i,j) := \left\| \theta_k^i - \theta_{k-1}^j \right\|_2^2$$

**PROXRECUR** ( $\varrho_{k-1}, V_{k-1}, U_{k-1}, C_k, \beta, h, \varepsilon, N, \delta, L$ )

$$\Gamma_k \leftarrow \exp(-C_k/2\varepsilon)$$

$$\xi_{k-1} \leftarrow \exp(-\beta V_{k-1} - \beta U_{k-1} \varrho_{k-1} - 1)$$

While converge:

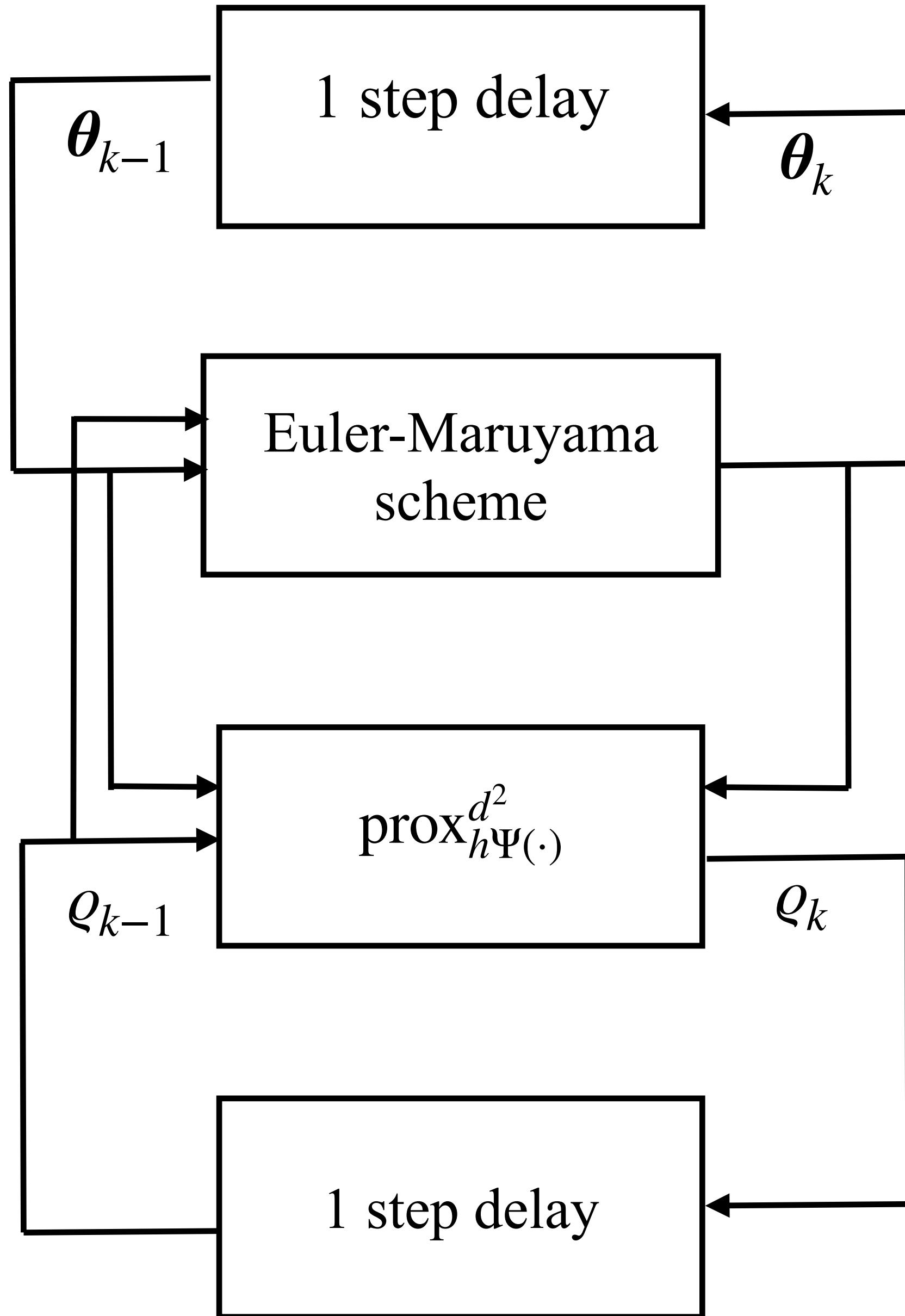
$$y \odot (\Gamma_k z) = \varrho_{k-1}$$

$$z \odot (\Gamma_k^\top y) = \xi_{k-1} \odot z^{-\frac{\beta\varepsilon}{h}}$$

$$\varrho_k = z^{\text{opt}} \odot (\Gamma_k^\top y^{\text{opt}})$$

**Convergence guarantee:** [Caluya and Halder, 2019]

# Schematic of the Proximal Algorithm



$$\theta_k^i = \theta_{k-1}^i - h \nabla (V(\theta_{k-1}^i) + \omega(\theta_{k-1}^i)) + \sqrt{2\beta^{-1}} (w_k^i - w_{k-1}^i)$$

PROXRECUR ( $q_{k-1}, V_{k-1}, U_{k-1}, C_k, \beta, h, \varepsilon, N, \delta, L$ )

# Case study: Classification for Breast Cancer Wisconsin (Diagnostic) Data Set

Number of features:  $n_x = 30$

Dimension of the neuronal population ensemble support:  $p = n_x + 2 = 32$

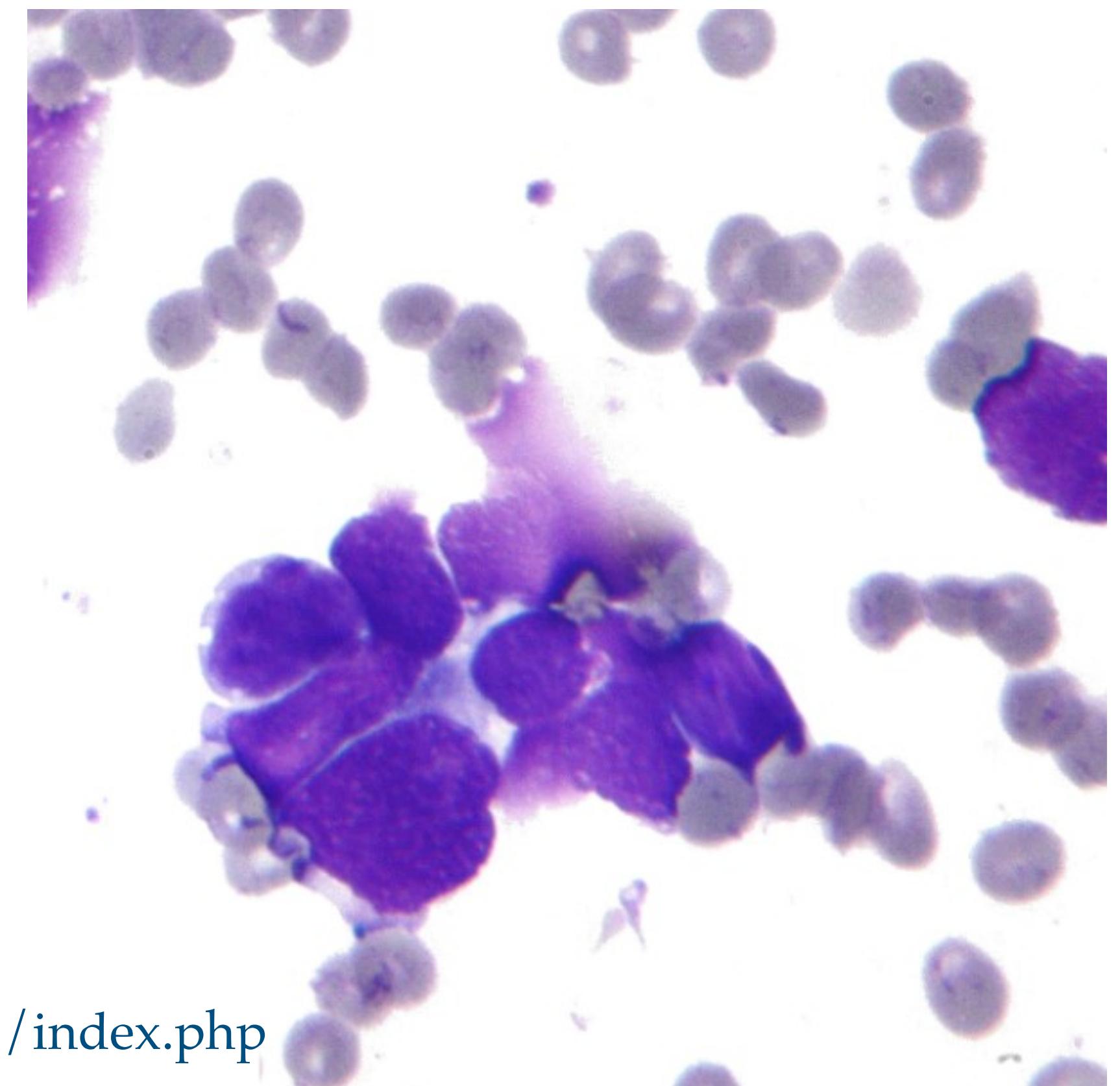
Number of data points:  $n = 569$

The label 0 denotes "benign"

The label 1 denotes "malignant".

357 instances

212 instances



Source: UCI machine learning repository, 2017, Available: <http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/index.php>

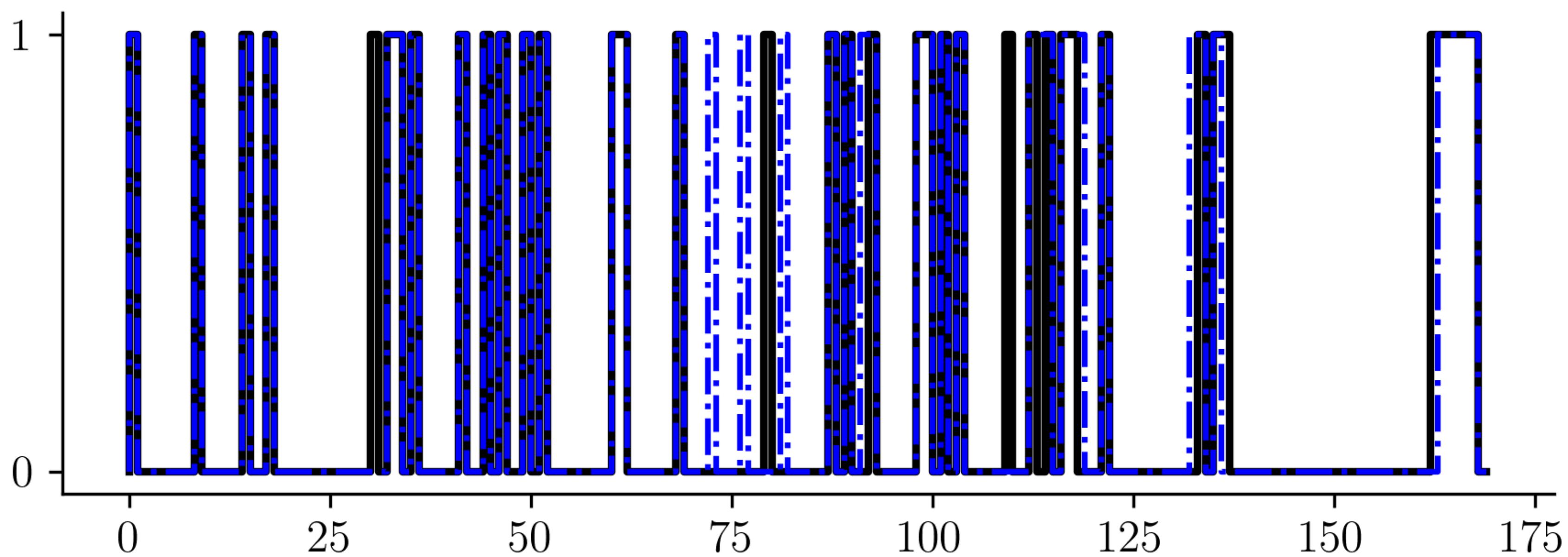
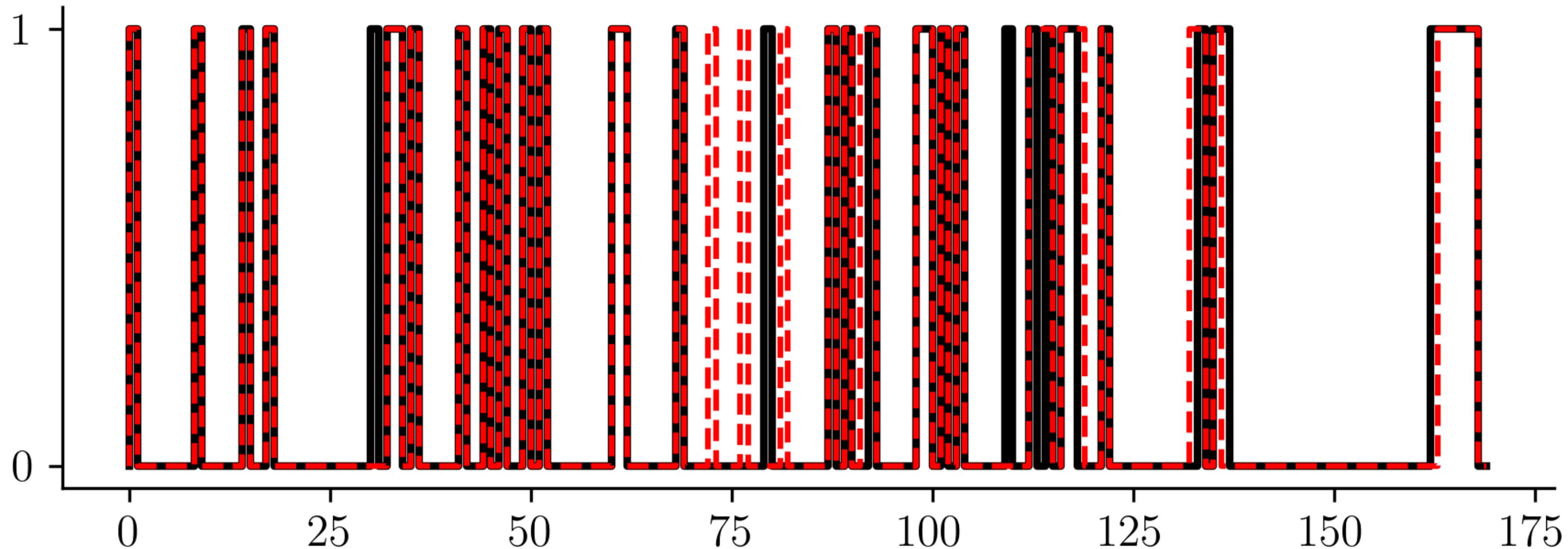
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Classification accuracy

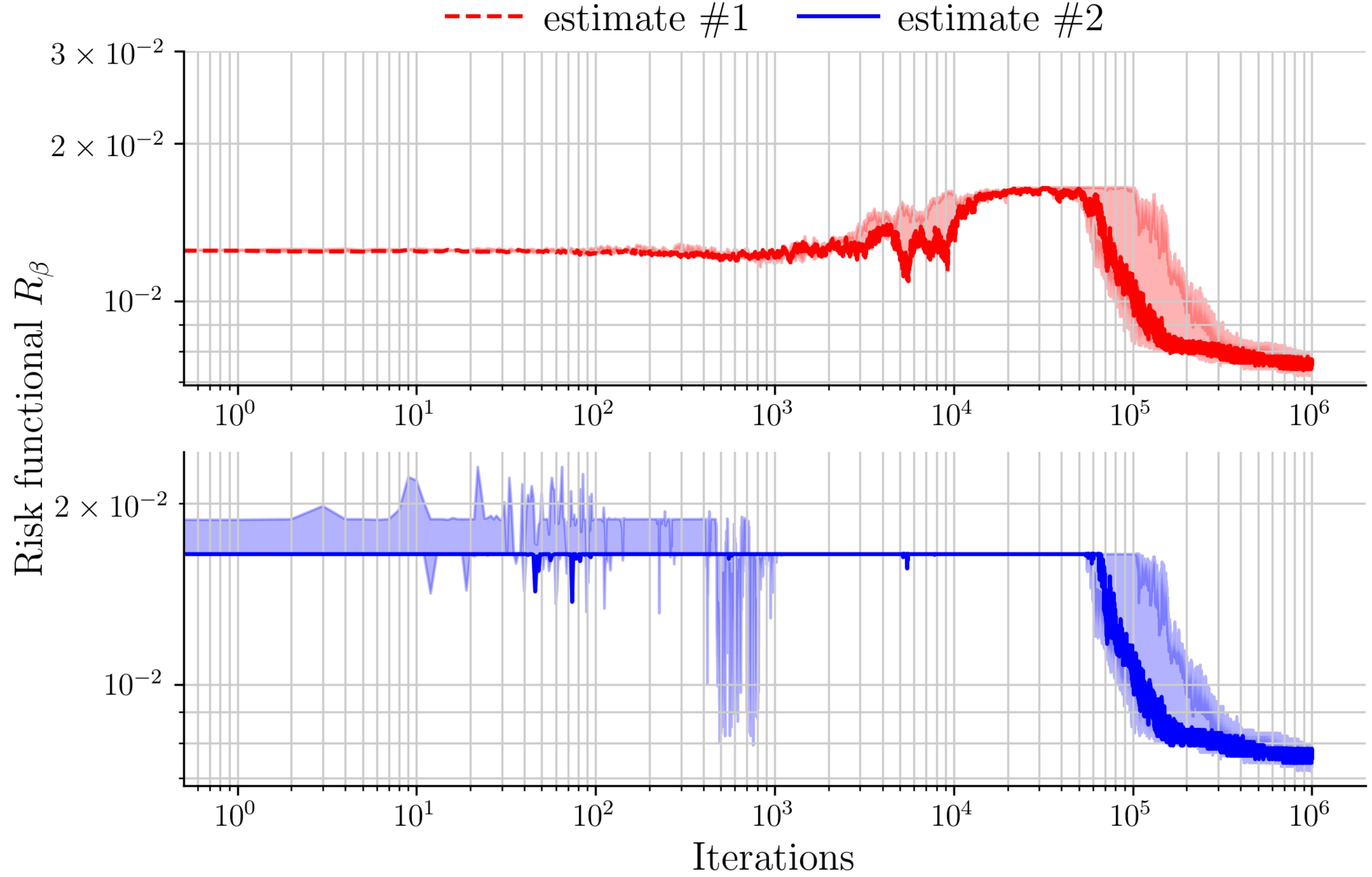
$\beta$	<i>Estimate#1</i>	<i>Estimate#2</i>
0.03	91.17 %	92.35 %
0.05	92.94 %	92.94 %
0.07	78.23 %	92.94 %

For each fixed  $\beta$ , computational time  $\approx 33$  hours

— actual labels    - - - estimate #1    - · - estimate #2

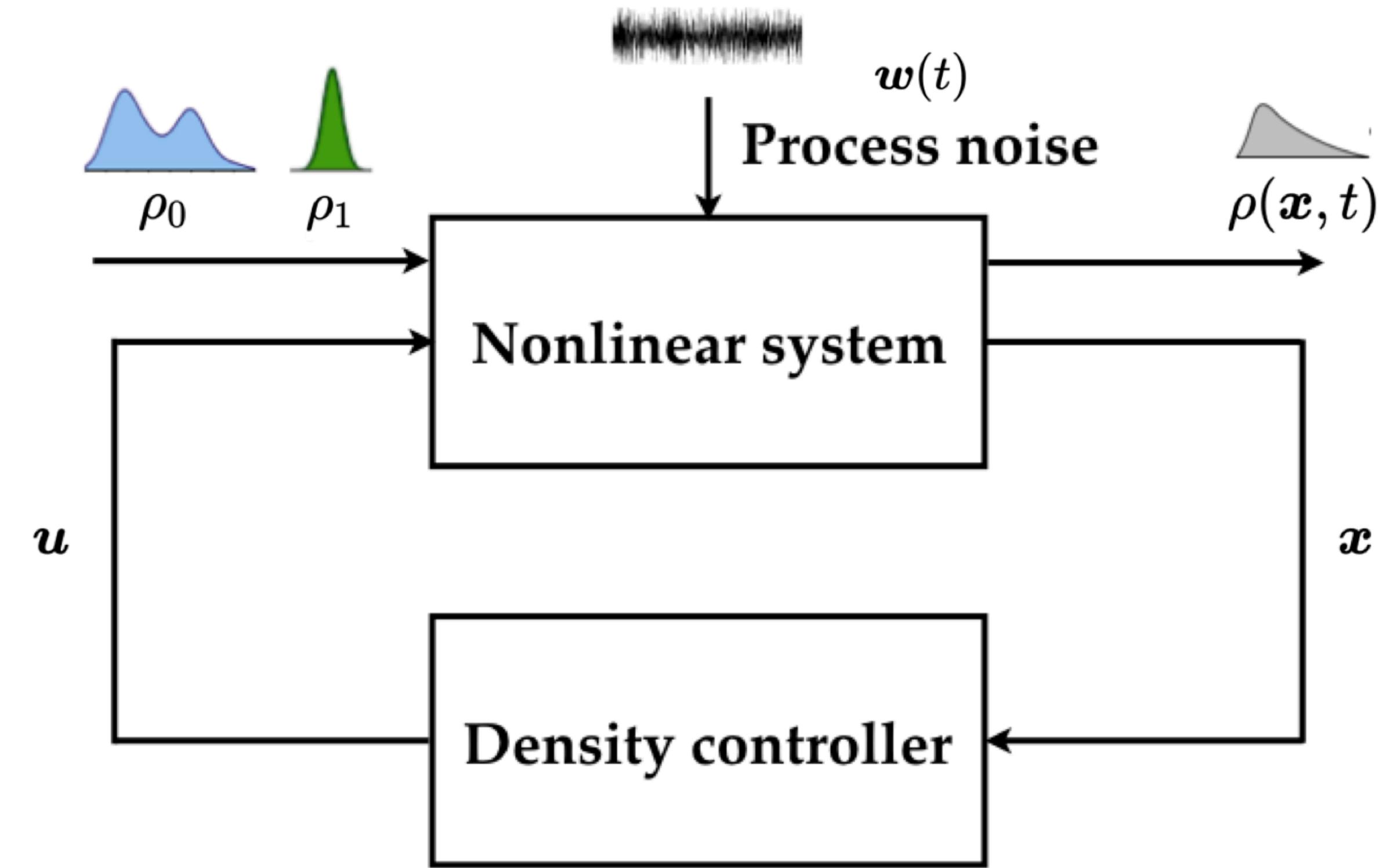


The test data index



# Measure-valued Proximal Recursions for Optimal Steering of Distributions via Feedback Control

# State Feedback Density Steering

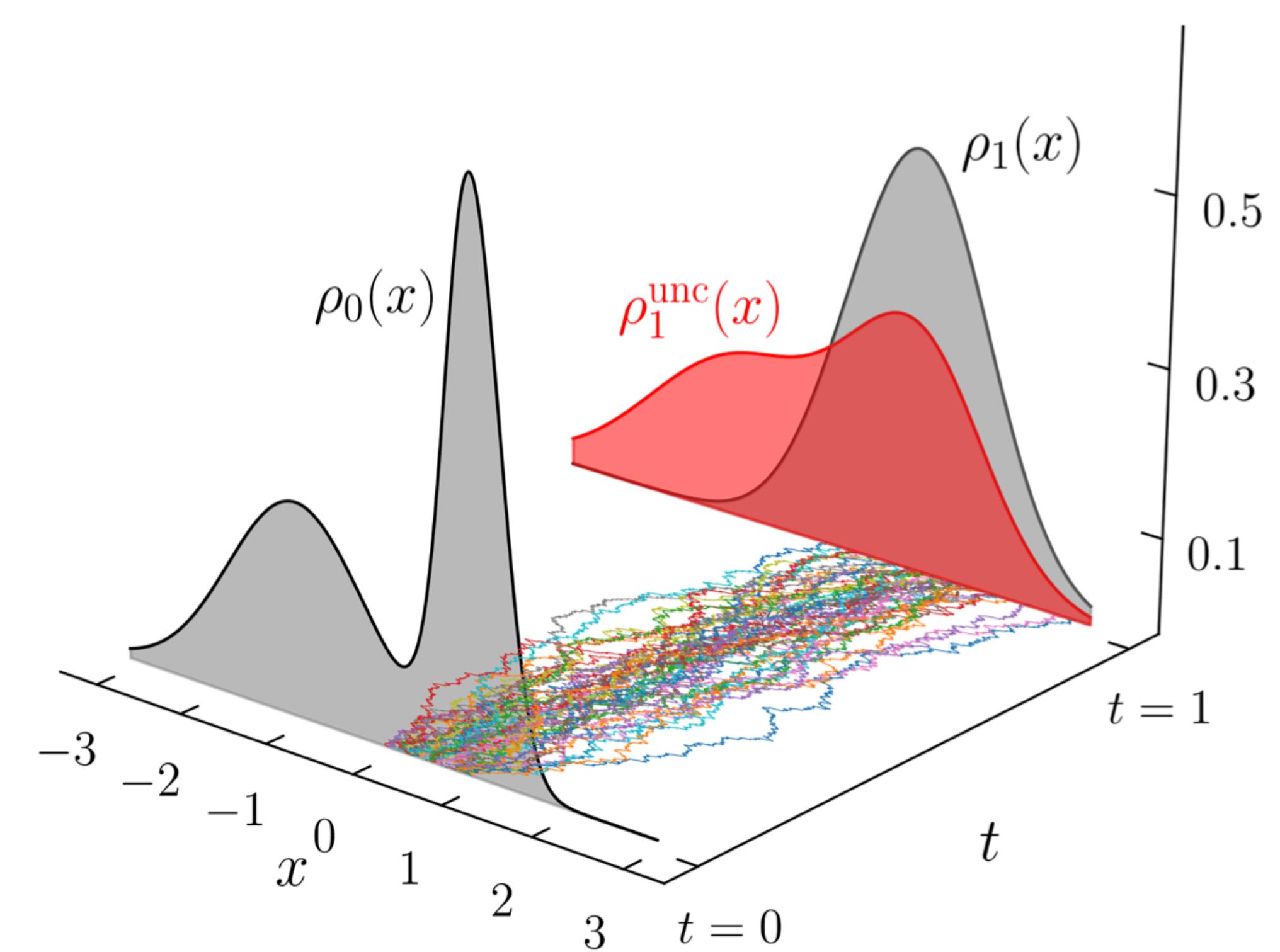


$$\inf_{u \in \mathcal{U}} \quad \mathbb{E}_{\mu^u} \left\{ \int_0^T \frac{1}{2} \|u(x, t)\|_2^2 dt \right\}$$

subject to  $dx = f(x, t)dt + B(t)u(x, t)dt + \sqrt{2\epsilon}B(t)dw(t)$

$$x(t=0) \sim \mu_0(x), \quad x(t=T) \sim \mu_T(x)$$

# Optimal Control Problem over PDFs



$$\inf_{(\rho^u, \mathbf{u})} \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \|\mathbf{u}(x, t)\|_2^2 \rho^u(x, t) dx dt$$

$\xrightarrow{\hspace{1cm}} BB^\top$

subject to  $\frac{\partial \rho^u}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho^u(f + \mathbf{B}(t)\mathbf{u})) = \epsilon \left\langle \mathbf{D}(t), \operatorname{Hess} (\rho^u) \right\rangle$

$\rho^u(x, 0) = \rho_0(x)$  (given),  $\rho^u(x, T) = \rho_T(x)$  (given).

# Necessary Conditions for Optimality

Controlled Fokker-Planck or Kolmogorov's forward PDE

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho^{\text{opt}} + \nabla \cdot \left( \rho^{\text{opt}} \left( f + \mathbf{B}(t)^\top \nabla \psi \right) \right) = \epsilon \left\langle \mathbf{D}(t), \text{Hess} \left( \rho^{\text{opt}} \right) \right\rangle$$

Hamilton-Jacobi-Bellman PDE:

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \left\| \mathbf{B}(t)^\top \nabla \psi \right\|_2^2 + \langle \nabla \psi, f \rangle = -\epsilon \langle \mathbf{D}(t), \text{Hess} (\psi) \rangle$$

Boundary conditions:

$$\rho^{\text{opt}}(x, 0) = \rho_0(x), \quad \rho^{\text{opt}}(x, T) = \rho_T(x)$$

Optimal control:

$$\mathbf{u}^{\text{opt}}(x, t) = \mathbf{B}(t)^\top \nabla \psi(x, t)$$

# Feedback Synthesis via the Schrödinger System

Hopf-Cole a.k.a. Fleming's logarithmic transform:  $(\rho^{\text{opt}}, \psi) \mapsto (\underbrace{\hat{\varphi}, \varphi}_{\text{Schrödinger factors}})$

Schrödinger factors

$$\varphi(x, t) = \exp\left(\frac{\psi(x, t)}{2\epsilon}\right)$$

$$\hat{\varphi}(x, t) = \rho^{\text{opt}}(x, t) \exp\left(-\frac{\psi(x, t)}{2\epsilon}\right)$$

# Feedback Synthesis via the Schrödinger System

2 coupled nonlinear PDEs → boundary-coupled linear PDEs!!

Uncontrolled forward-backward Kolmogrov PDEs

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} = - \langle \nabla \varphi, f \rangle - \epsilon \langle D(t), \text{Hess}(\varphi) \rangle$$

$$\frac{\partial \hat{\varphi}}{\partial t} = - \nabla \cdot (\hat{\varphi} f) + \epsilon \langle D(t), \text{Hess}(\hat{\varphi}) \rangle$$

Boundary conditions

$$\varphi(x, 0)\hat{\varphi}(x, 0) = \rho_0(x)$$

$$\varphi(x, T)\hat{\varphi}(x, T) = \rho_T(x)$$

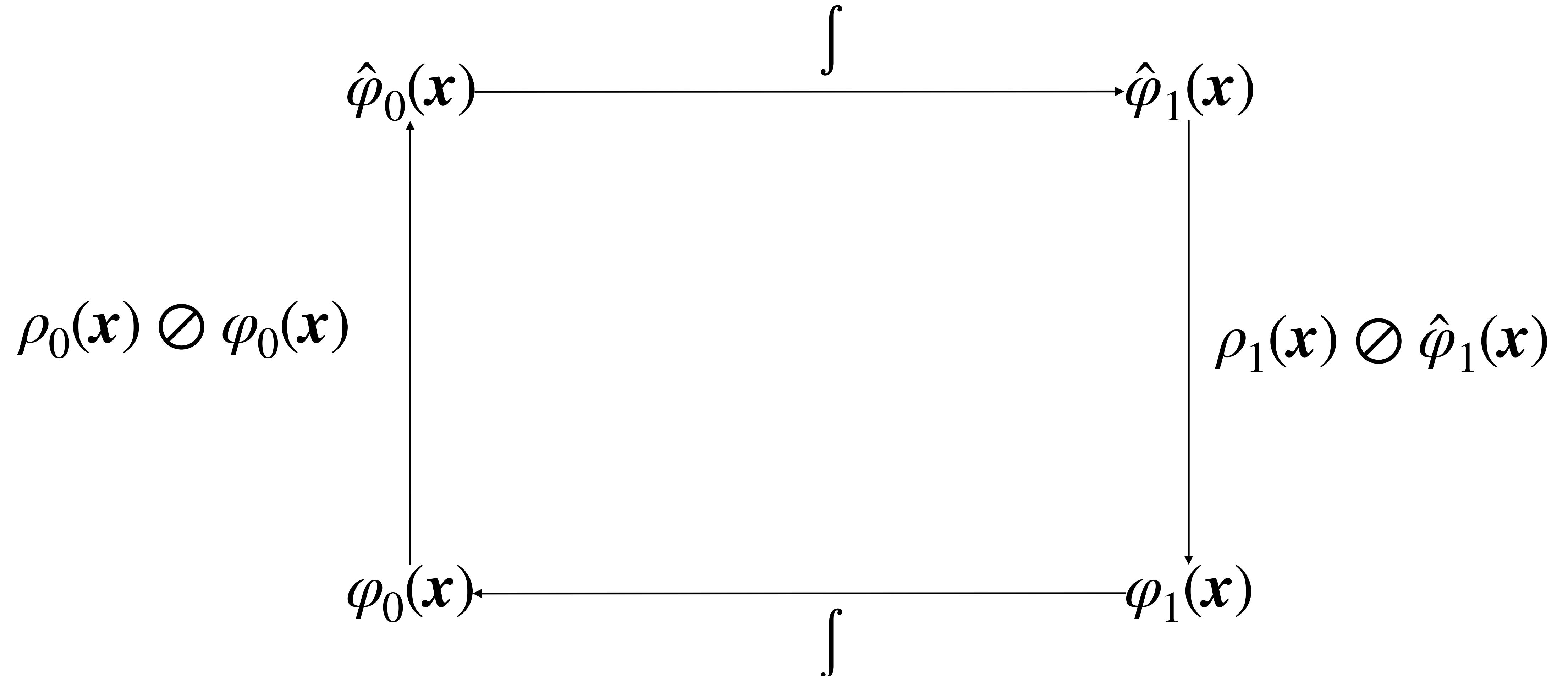
Optimal controlled joint state PDF:

$$\rho^{\text{opt}}(x, t) = \varphi(x, t)\hat{\varphi}(x, t)$$

Optimal control:

$$u^{\text{opt}}(x, t) = 2\epsilon B(t)^T \nabla \log \varphi$$

# Fixed Point Recursion over Pair $(\varphi_1, \hat{\varphi}_0)$



This recursion is contractive in the Hilbert metric

# Case study: Optimal Steering of Distributions for the Nonuniform Noisy Kuramoto Oscillators

First Order

$$d\theta = \left( -\nabla_{\theta} V(\theta) + Su \right) dt + \sqrt{2} S dw$$

Second Order

$$\begin{pmatrix} d\theta \\ d\omega \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \omega \\ -M^{-1} \nabla_{\theta} V(\theta) - M^{-1} \Gamma \omega + M^{-1} Su \end{pmatrix} dt + \begin{pmatrix} 0_{n \times 1} \\ \sqrt{2} M^{-1} S dw \end{pmatrix}$$

Potential

$$V(\theta) := \sum_{i < j} k_{ij} (1 - \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j - \varphi_{ij})) - \sum_{i=1}^n P_i \theta_i$$

Coupling  $> 0$       Phase difference  $\in [0, \pi/2)$       Linear coeff.  $> 0$

Positive diag matrices  $M, \Gamma, S$

# Case study: Optimal Steering of Distributions for the Nonuniform Noisy Kuramoto Oscillators

**First order,  $\mathcal{X} \equiv \mathbb{T}^n$**

$$\inf_{(\rho^u, u)} \int_0^T \int_{\mathcal{X}} \|u(x, t)\|_2^2 \rho^u(x, t) dx dt$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho^u}{\partial t} = - \nabla_{\theta} \cdot \left( \rho^u (S u - \nabla_{\theta} V) \right) + \langle D, \text{Hess} (\rho^u) \rangle$$

$SS^{\dagger}$

**Second order,  $\mathcal{X} \equiv \mathbb{T}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \rho^u}{\partial t} = & \nabla_{\omega} \cdot \left( \rho^u (M^{-1} \nabla_{\theta} V(\theta) + M^{-1} \Gamma \omega - M^{-1} S u \right. \\ & \left. + M^{-1} D M^{-1} \nabla_{\omega} \log \rho^u) - \langle \omega, \nabla_{\theta} \rho^u \rangle \right) \end{aligned}$$

Boundary conditions

$$\rho^u(x, t = 0) = \rho_0$$

$$\rho^u(x, t = T) = \rho_T$$

# From Anisotropic to Isotropic Degenerate Diffusion

## The First Order Case

$$\theta \mapsto \xi := S^{-1}\theta$$

$$d\xi = \left( u - \Upsilon \nabla_\xi \tilde{V}(\xi) \right) dt + \sqrt{2} dw$$

$$\Upsilon := \left( \prod_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^2 \right) S^{-2} = \text{diag} \left( \prod_{j \neq i} \sigma_j^2 \right) \succ 0$$

$$\tilde{V}(\xi) := \left( \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i < j} k_{ij} \left( 1 - \cos \left( \sigma_i \xi_i - \sigma_j \xi_j - \varphi_{ij} \right) \right) - \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i P_i \xi_i \right) / \left( \prod_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^2 \right)$$

# Isotropic Degenerate Diffusion For The First Order Case

The Second Order Case

$$\begin{pmatrix} \theta \\ \omega \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} := \left( I_2 \otimes (MS^{-1}) \right) \begin{pmatrix} \theta \\ \omega \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} d\xi \\ d\eta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \eta \\ u - \widetilde{\Upsilon} \nabla_{\xi} U(\xi) - \nabla_{\eta} F(\eta) \end{pmatrix} dt + \begin{pmatrix} 0_{n \times n} \\ I_n \end{pmatrix} dw$$

$$\begin{aligned} \widetilde{\Upsilon} &:= \left( \prod_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^2 m_i^{-2} \right) MS^{-2} \\ U(\xi) &:= \left( \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i < j} k_{ij} \left( 1 - \cos \left( \frac{\sigma_i}{m_i} \xi_i - \frac{\sigma_j}{m_j} \xi_j - \varphi_{ij} \right) \right) \right) - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\sigma_i}{m_i} P_i \xi_i \left( \prod_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{m_i}{\sigma_i} \right)^2 \right) \\ F(\eta) &:= \frac{1}{2} \langle \eta, S^{-1} \Gamma \eta \rangle \end{aligned}$$

# Feedback Synthesis via the Schrödinger System: First Order Case

Uncontrolled forward-backward Kolmogrov PDEs

$$\frac{\partial \hat{\phi}}{\partial t} = \nabla_{\xi} \cdot (\hat{\phi} \Upsilon \nabla_{\xi} \tilde{V}) + \Delta_{\xi} \hat{\phi}$$

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} = \langle \nabla_{\xi} \varphi, \Upsilon \nabla_{\xi} \tilde{V} \rangle - \Delta_{\xi} \varphi$$

Boundary conditions

$$\hat{\phi}_0(\xi) \varphi_0(\xi) = \rho_0(S\xi) \left( \prod_{i=1}^n \sigma_i \right)$$

$$\hat{\phi}_T(\xi) \varphi_T(\xi) = \rho_T(S\xi) \left( \prod_{i=1}^n \sigma_i \right)$$

Optimal controlled joint state PDF:  $\rho^{\text{opt}}(\theta, t) = \hat{\phi}(S^{-1}\theta, t) \varphi(S^{-1}\theta, t) / \left( \prod_{i=1}^n \sigma_i \right)$

Optimal control:  $u^{\text{opt}}(\theta, t) = S \nabla_{\theta} \log \varphi(S^{-1}\theta, t)$

# Feedback Synthesis via the Schrödinger System: Second Order Case

Uncontrolled forward-backward Kolmogrov PDEs

$$\frac{\partial \hat{\phi}}{\partial t} = - \left\langle \boldsymbol{\eta}, \nabla_{\xi} \hat{\phi} \right\rangle + \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\eta}} \cdot \left( \hat{\phi} \left( \widetilde{\mathbf{Y}} \nabla_{\xi} \mathbf{U}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) + \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\eta}} \mathbf{F}(\boldsymbol{\eta}) \right) \right) + \Delta_{\boldsymbol{\eta}} \hat{\phi}$$

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} = - \left\langle \boldsymbol{\eta}, \nabla_{\xi} \varphi \right\rangle + \left\langle \widetilde{\mathbf{Y}} \nabla_{\xi} \mathbf{U}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) + \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\eta}} \mathbf{F}(\boldsymbol{\eta}), \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\eta}} \varphi \right\rangle - \Delta_{\boldsymbol{\eta}} \varphi$$

Boundary conditions

$$\hat{\phi}_0(\boldsymbol{\xi}) \varphi_0(\boldsymbol{\xi}) = \rho_0 \left( (\mathbf{I}_2 \otimes \mathbf{S} \mathbf{M}^{-1}) \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\xi} \\ \boldsymbol{\eta} \end{pmatrix} \right) \left( \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\sigma_i^2}{m_i^2} \right)$$

$$\hat{\phi}_T(\boldsymbol{\xi}) \varphi_T(\boldsymbol{\xi}) = \rho_T \left( (\mathbf{I}_2 \otimes \mathbf{S} \mathbf{M}^{-1}) \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\xi} \\ \boldsymbol{\eta} \end{pmatrix} \right) \left( \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\sigma_i^2}{m_i^2} \right)$$

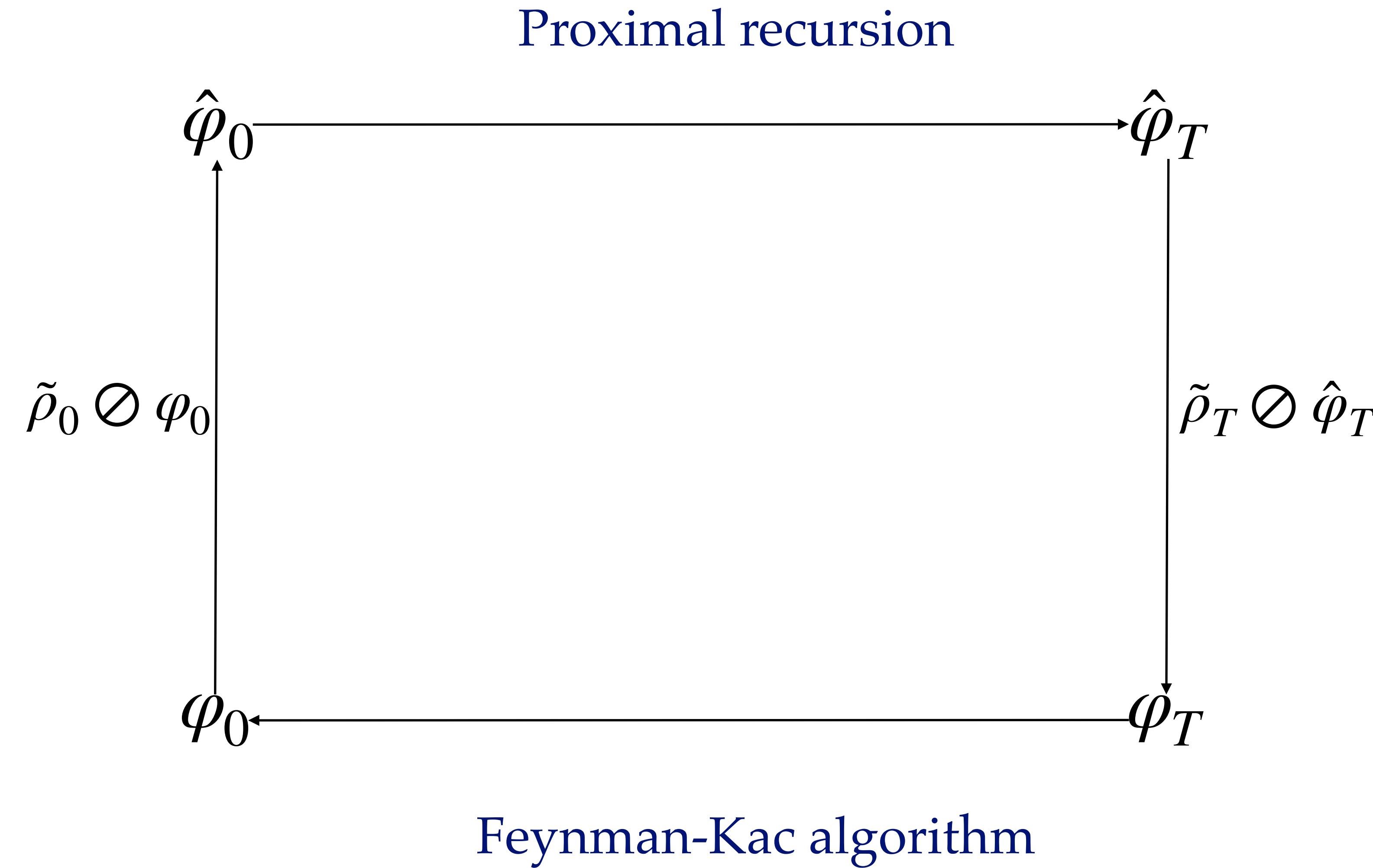
Optimal controlled joint state PDF:

$$\rho^{\text{opt}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\omega}, t) = \hat{\phi} \left( (\mathbf{I}_2 \otimes \mathbf{M} \mathbf{S}^{-1}) \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\theta} \\ \boldsymbol{\omega} \end{pmatrix}, t \right) \varphi \left( (\mathbf{I}_2 \otimes \mathbf{M} \mathbf{S}^{-1}) \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\theta} \\ \boldsymbol{\omega} \end{pmatrix}, t \right) \left( \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{m_i^2}{\sigma_i^2} \right)$$

Optimal control:

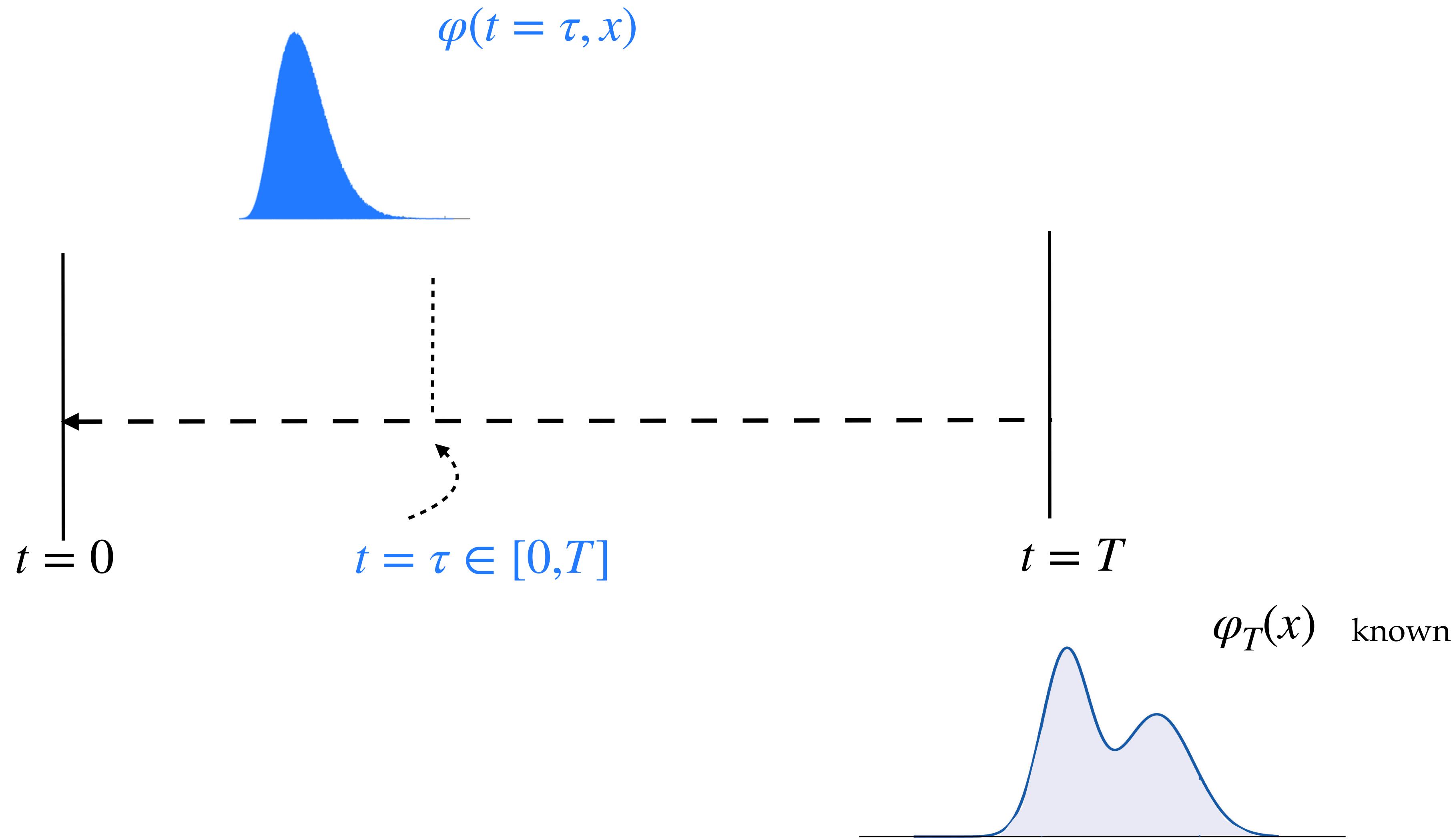
$$\mathbf{u}^{\text{opt}} \left( (\mathbf{I}_2 \otimes \mathbf{M} \mathbf{S}^{-1}) \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\theta} \\ \boldsymbol{\omega} \end{pmatrix}, t \right) = (\mathbf{I}_2 \otimes \mathbf{S} \mathbf{M}^{-1}) \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \log \varphi \left( (\mathbf{I}_2 \otimes \mathbf{M} \mathbf{S}^{-1}) \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\theta} \\ \boldsymbol{\omega} \end{pmatrix}, t \right)$$

# Fixed Point Recursion Over Pair $(\varphi_1, \hat{\varphi}_0)$

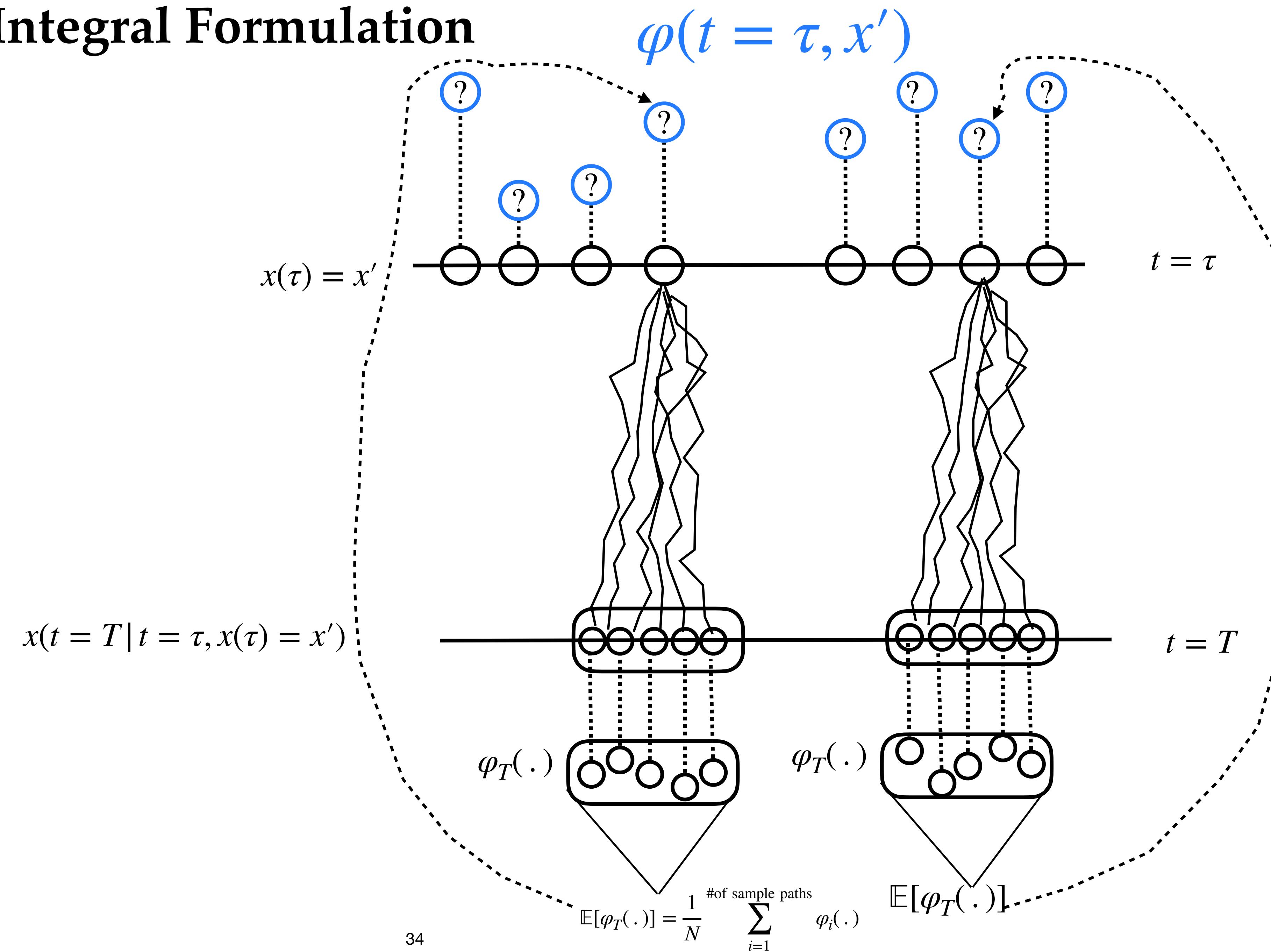


# Feynman-Kac Path Integral Formulation

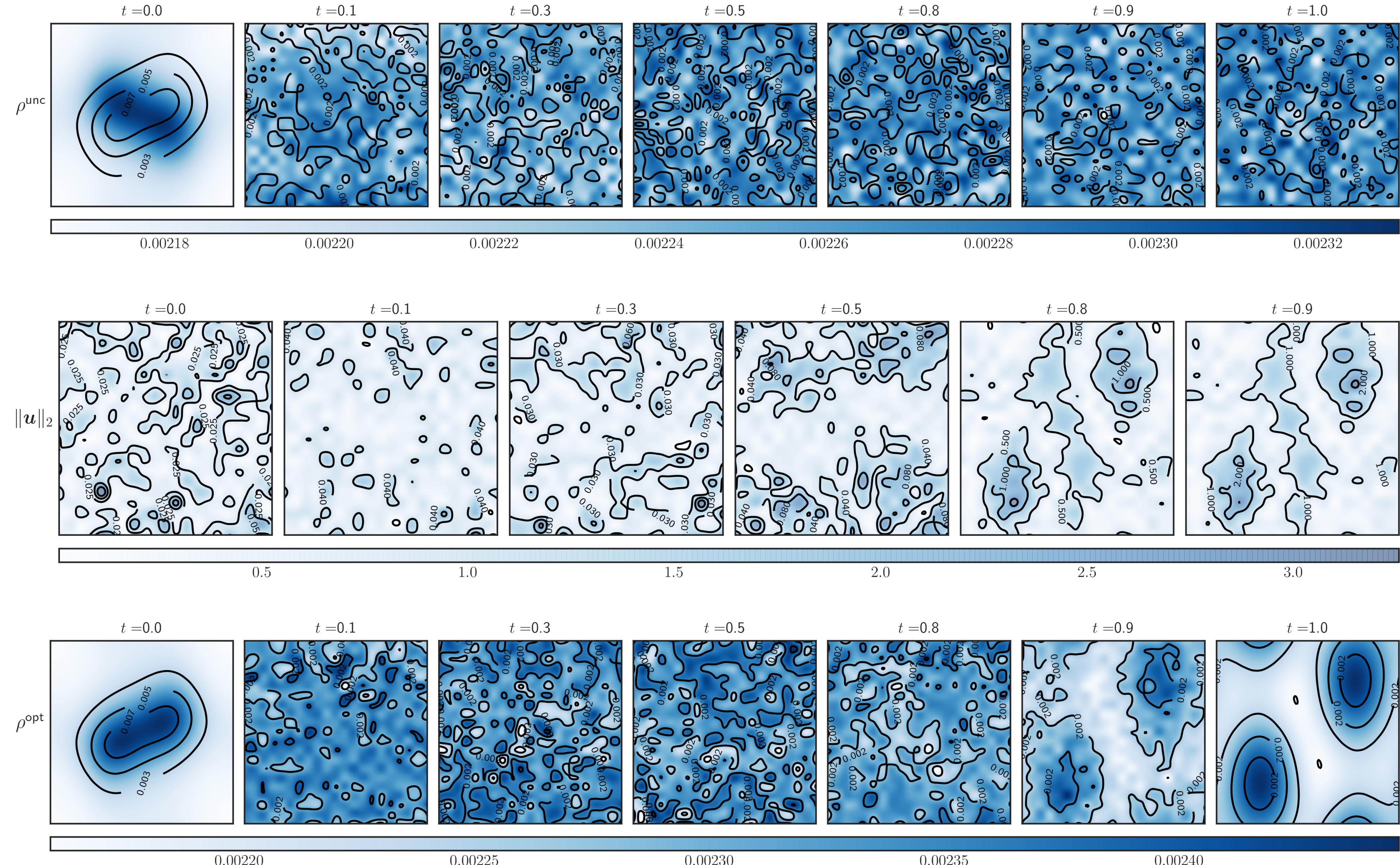
$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} = L_{\text{Backward}} \varphi$$



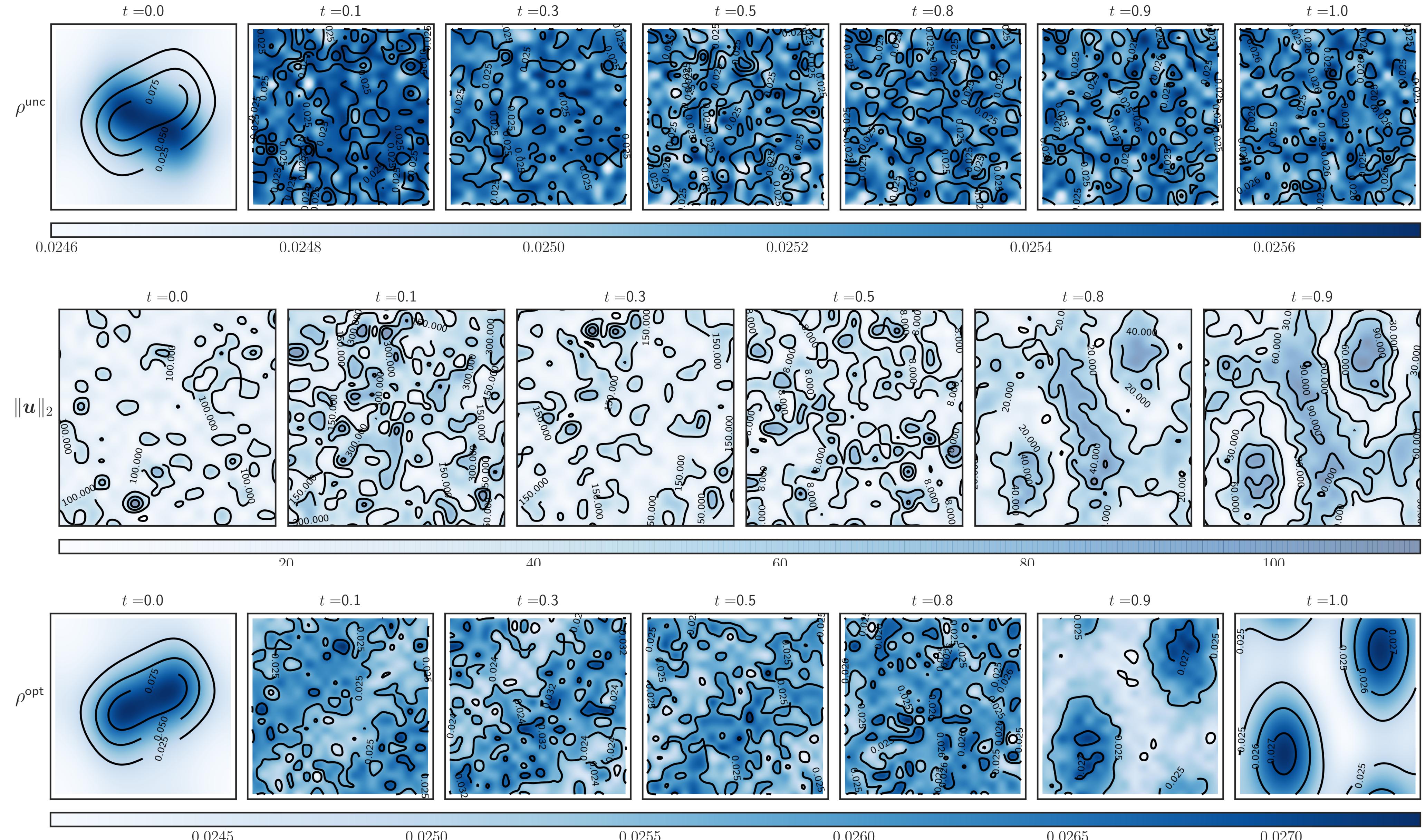
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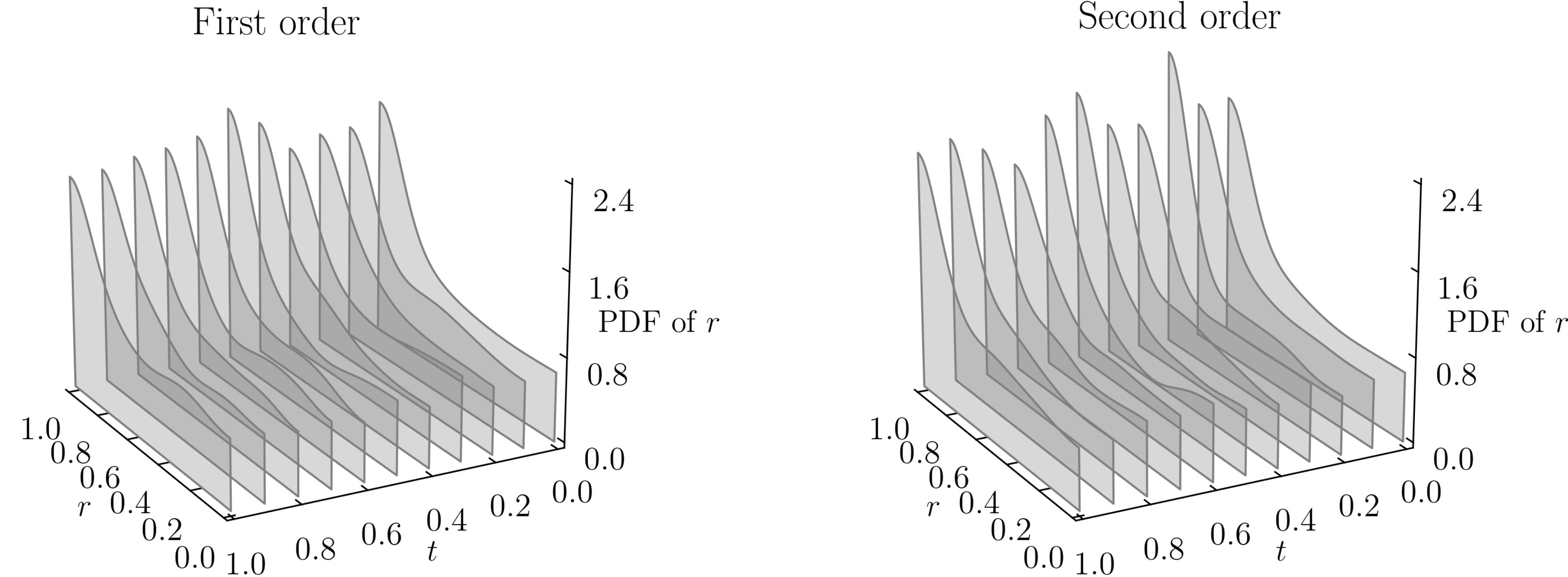
# Numerical Example: First Order Case



# Numerical Example: Second Order Case



# Numerical Example: Controlled Order Parameter PDFs



PDF of order parameter  $r := \frac{1}{n} \sqrt{\left( \sum_{i=1}^n \cos \theta_i \right)^2 + \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \sin \theta_i \right)^2}$

# Distributed Algorithms

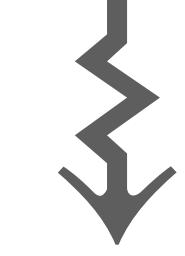
# Minimizing Convex Additive Measure-valued Objective

$$\operatorname{arginf}_{\mu} F_1(\mu) + F_2(\mu) + \dots + F_n(\mu)$$

$\Phi_i(\cdot) = F_i(\cdot) + \int \nu_i^k d(\cdot)$	PDE	Name
$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (V(\theta) + \nu_i^k(\theta)) d\mu_i(\theta)$	$\frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_i}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (\tilde{\mu}_i (\nabla V + \nabla \nu_i^k))$	Liouville PDE
$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (\nu_i^k(\theta) + \beta^{-1} \log \mu_i(\theta)) d\mu_i(\theta)$	$\frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_i}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (\tilde{\mu}_i \nabla \nu_i^k) + \beta^{-1} \Delta \tilde{\mu}_i$	Fokker-Planck PDE
$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \nu_i^k(\theta) d\mu_i(\theta) + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d}} U(\theta, \sigma) d\mu_i(\theta) d\mu_i(\sigma)$	$\frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_i}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (\tilde{\mu}_i (\nabla \nu_i^k + \nabla (U \circledast \tilde{\mu}_i)))$	Propagation of chaos PDE

# Measure-valued Consensus ADMM

$$\underset{\mu}{\operatorname{arginf}} F_1(\mu) + F_2(\mu) + \dots + F_n(\mu)$$



$$\underset{(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n, \zeta) \in \mathcal{P}_2^{n+1}(\mathbb{R}^d)}{\arg \inf} F_1(\mu_1) + F_2(\mu_2) + \dots + F_n(\mu_n)$$

$$\mu_1 = \mu_2 = \dots = \mu_n = \zeta$$

Primal updates

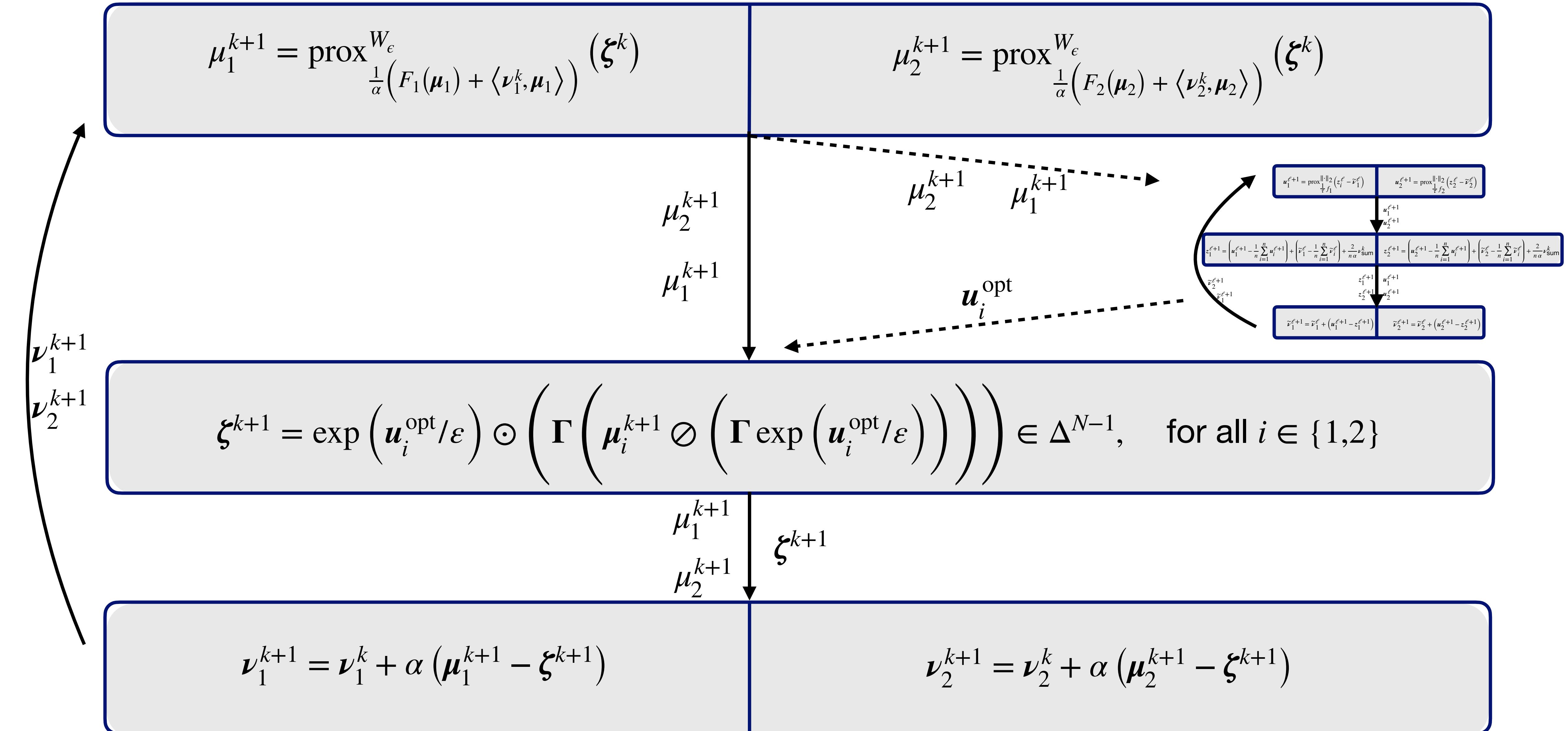
$$\mu_i^{k+1} = \underset{\mu_i \in \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)}{\operatorname{arginf}} \frac{1}{2} W^2(\mu_i, \zeta^k) + \frac{1}{\alpha} \left\{ F_i(\mu_i) + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \nu_i^k(\theta) d\mu_i \right\} = \operatorname{prox}_{\frac{1}{\alpha}(F_i(\cdot) + \int \nu_i^k d(\cdot))}^{W_\epsilon}(\zeta^k)$$

$$\zeta^{k+1} = \underset{\zeta \in \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)}{\arg \inf} \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ \frac{1}{2} W^2(\mu_i^{k+1}, \zeta) - \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \nu_i^k(\theta) d\zeta \right\} = \underset{\zeta \in \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)}{\arg \inf} \left\{ \left( \sum_{i=1}^n W^2(\mu_i^{k+1}, \zeta) \right) - \frac{2}{\alpha} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \nu_{\text{sum}}^k(\theta) d\zeta \right\}$$

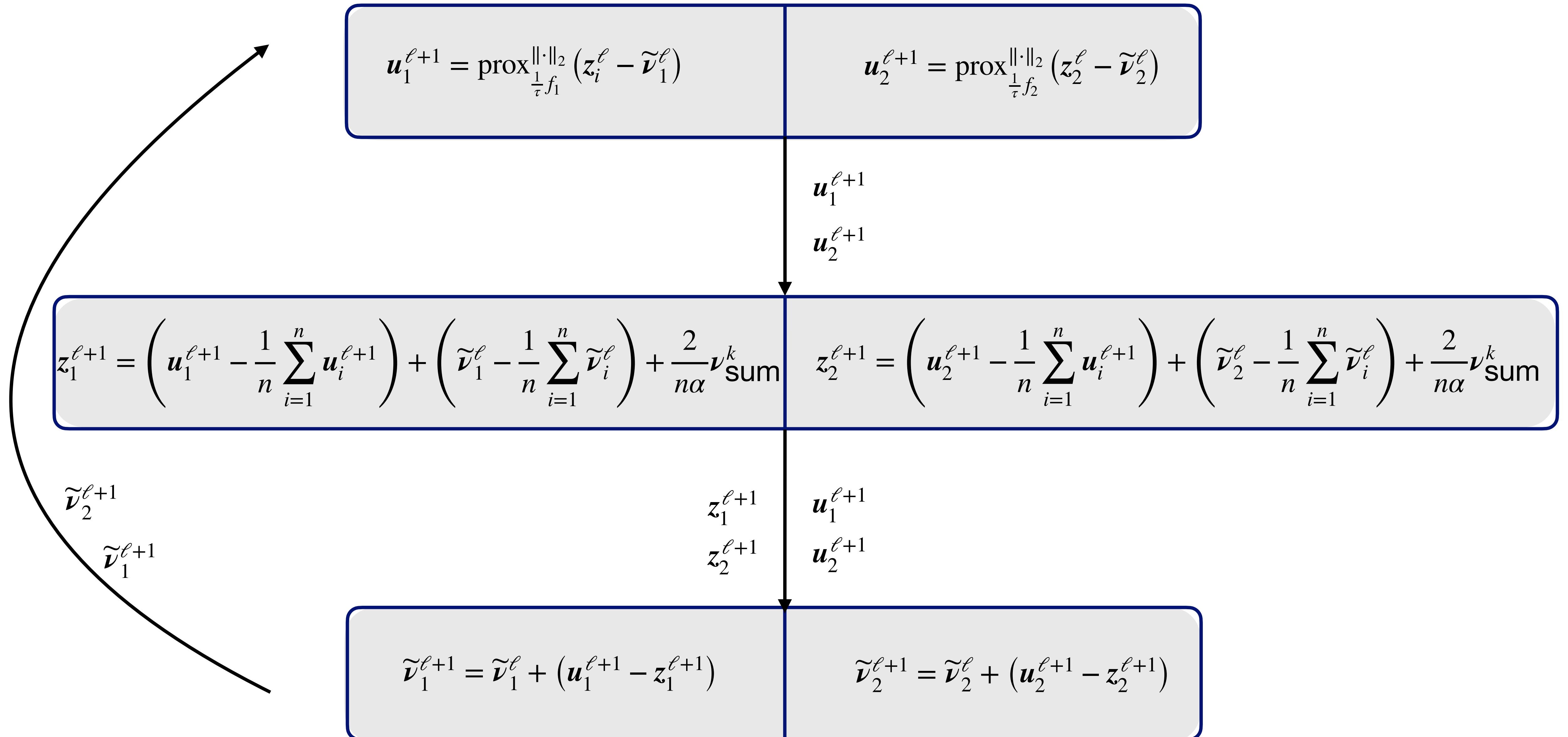
$$\nu_i^{k+1} = \nu_i^k + \alpha (\mu_i^{k+1} - \zeta^{k+1})$$

Dual ascent

# Measure-valued Consensus ADMM Structure for the case that $n = 2$



# Inner Layer ADMM



# The $\mu$ Update

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_i^{k+1} = \text{prox}_{\frac{1}{\alpha}(F_i(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i) + \langle \boldsymbol{\nu}_i^k, \boldsymbol{\mu}_i \rangle)}^{W_\varepsilon}(\boldsymbol{\xi}^k) = \operatorname{arginf}_{\boldsymbol{\mu}_i \in \Delta^{N-1}} \left\{ \min_{\boldsymbol{M} \in \Pi_N(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i, \boldsymbol{\xi}^k)} \frac{1}{2} \langle \boldsymbol{C}, \boldsymbol{M} \rangle + \frac{1}{\alpha} \left( F_i(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i) + \langle \boldsymbol{\nu}_i^k, \boldsymbol{\mu}_i \rangle \right) \right\}$$

## Theorem

Given  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^N \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}$

Let  $\Phi(\boldsymbol{\mu}) := \langle \mathbf{a}, \boldsymbol{\mu} \rangle$  for  $\boldsymbol{\mu} \in \Delta^{N-1}$  and  $\Gamma := \exp(-\mathbf{C}/2\varepsilon)$

Then for any  $\boldsymbol{\zeta} \in \Delta^{N-1}, \alpha > 0$

$$\text{prox}_{\frac{1}{\alpha}\Phi}^{W_\varepsilon}(\boldsymbol{\zeta}) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\alpha\varepsilon}\mathbf{a}\right) \odot \left( \Gamma^\top \left( \boldsymbol{\zeta} \oslash \left( \Gamma \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\alpha\varepsilon}\mathbf{a}\right) \right) \right) \right)$$

# The $\zeta$ Update

$$\zeta^{k+1} = \arg \inf_{\zeta \in \Delta^{N-1}} \left\{ \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \min_{M_i \in \Pi_N(\mu_i^{k+1}, \zeta)} \left\langle \frac{1}{2}C + \varepsilon \log M_i, M_i \right\rangle \right) - \frac{2}{\alpha} \langle \nu_{\text{sum}}^k, \zeta \rangle \right\}$$

**Theorem** Given  $\alpha, \varepsilon > 0$

Let  $\Gamma := \exp(-C/2\varepsilon)$

Then

$$\zeta^{k+1} = \exp \left( \mathbf{u}_i^{\text{opt}} / \varepsilon \right) \odot \left( \Gamma \left( \mu_i^{k+1} \oslash \left( \Gamma \exp \left( \mathbf{u}_i^{\text{opt}} / \varepsilon \right) \right) \right) \right) \in \Delta^{N-1}, \quad \text{for all } i \in [n]$$

Where

$$(\mathbf{u}_1^{\text{opt}}, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n^{\text{opt}}) = \arg \min_{(\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{nN}} \sum_{i=1}^n \left\langle \mu_i^{k+1}, \log \left( \Gamma \exp \left( \mathbf{u}_i / \varepsilon \right) \right) \right\rangle$$

Subject to  $\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{u}_i = \frac{2}{\alpha} \nu_{\text{sum}}^k$

# The $\zeta$ Update: Inner Layer ADMM

Newton's method

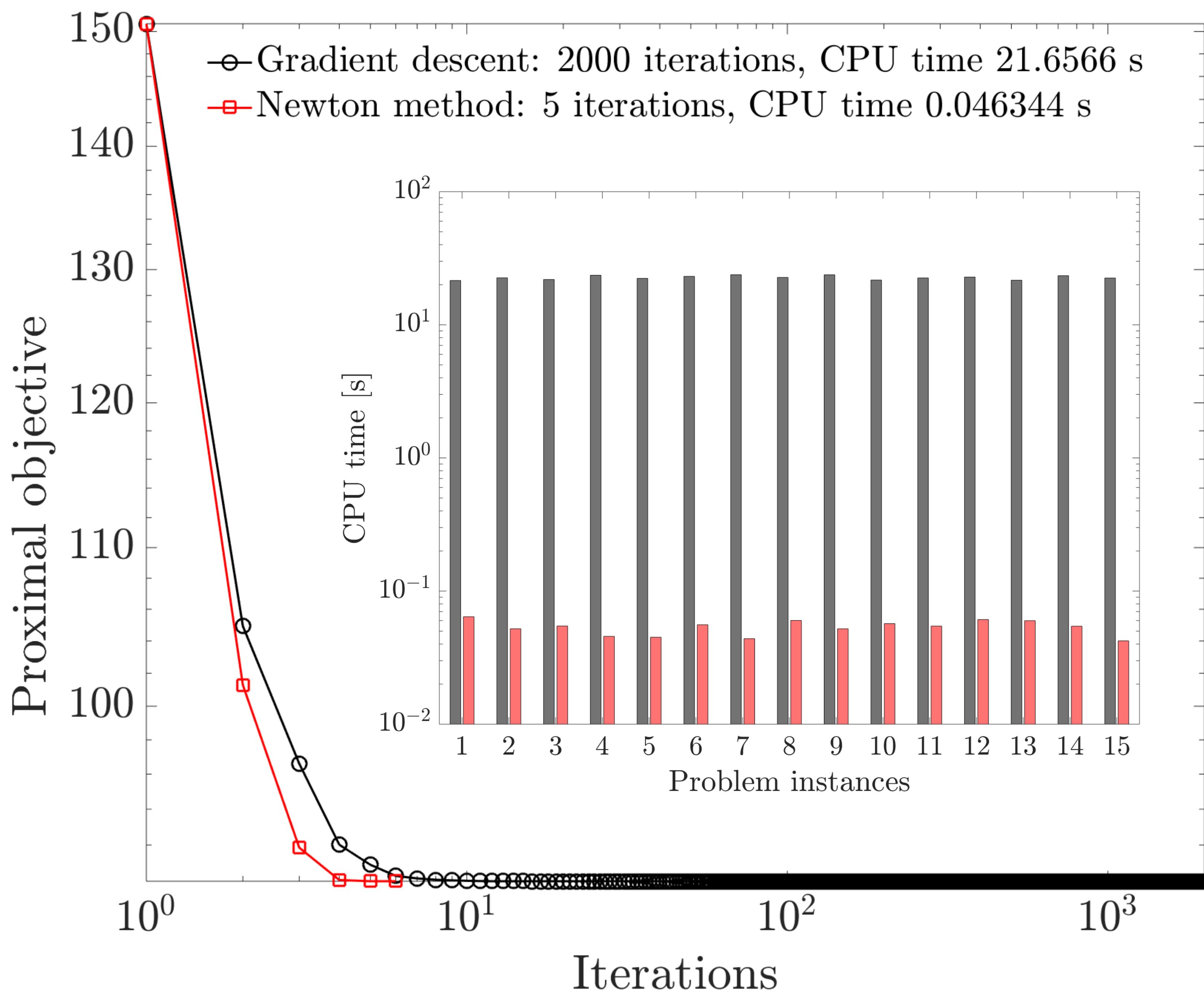
$$\boldsymbol{u}_i^{\ell+1} = \text{prox}_{\frac{1}{\tau}f_i}^{\|\cdot\|_2}(\boldsymbol{z}_i^\ell - \tilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_i^\ell), \quad i \in [n],$$

$$\boldsymbol{z}^{\ell+1} = \text{proj}_{\mathcal{C}}(\boldsymbol{u}^{\ell+1} + \tilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}}^\ell),$$

$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_i^{\ell+1} = \tilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_i^\ell + (\boldsymbol{u}_i^{\ell+1} - \boldsymbol{z}_i^{\ell+1}), \quad i \in [n],$$

$$\boldsymbol{z}_i^{\ell+1} = \left( \boldsymbol{u}_i^{\ell+1} - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \boldsymbol{u}_i^{\ell+1} \right) + \left( \tilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_i^\ell - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_i^\ell \right) + \frac{2}{n\alpha} \boldsymbol{\nu}_{\text{sum}}^k, \quad i \in [n]$$

$$\text{proj}_{\mathcal{C}}(\boldsymbol{v}) = \left( \boldsymbol{v}_1 - \bar{\boldsymbol{v}} + \frac{2}{n\alpha} \boldsymbol{\nu}_{\text{sum}}^k, \dots, \boldsymbol{v}_n - \bar{\boldsymbol{v}} + \frac{2}{n\alpha} \boldsymbol{\nu}_{\text{sum}}^k \right) \in \mathbb{R}^{nN}$$



# Near term Publications Plan

I. N., and A. Halder. Schrödinger Meets Kuramoto via Feynman-Kac: Minimum Effort Distribution Steering for Noisy Nonuniform Kuramoto Oscillators.

I. N., and A. Halder, Wasserstein Consensus ADMM.

# Future Timeline

Numerical case studies for the distributed algorithms (**Winter - Spring 2022**)

Optimal distribution steering algorithms for molecular self-assembly (**Summer - Fall 2022**)

Adaptive distributional learning and control (**Fall 2022 - Spring 2023**)

Application to policy optimization for reinforcement learning (**Spring - Summer 2023**)

Write dissertation and graduate (**Fall 2023 - Winter 2024**)

# Thank You