

Generalized Gradient Flows for Stochastic Prediction, Filtering, Learning and Control

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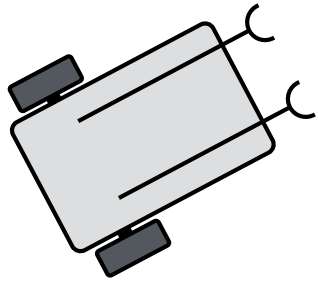


Overarching Theme

**Systems-control theory and algorithms
for densities**

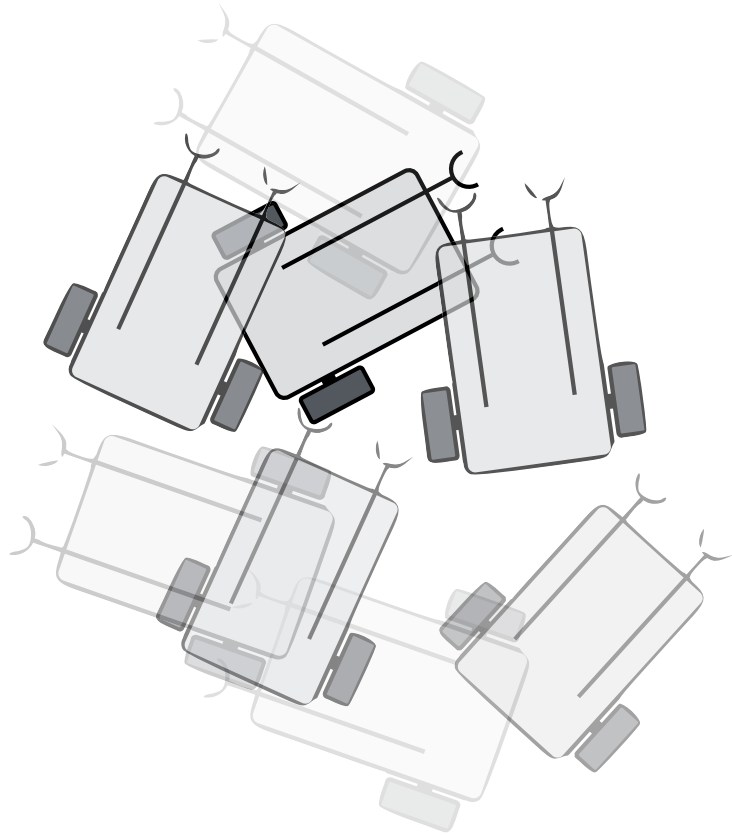
What is density?

Probability Density Fn.



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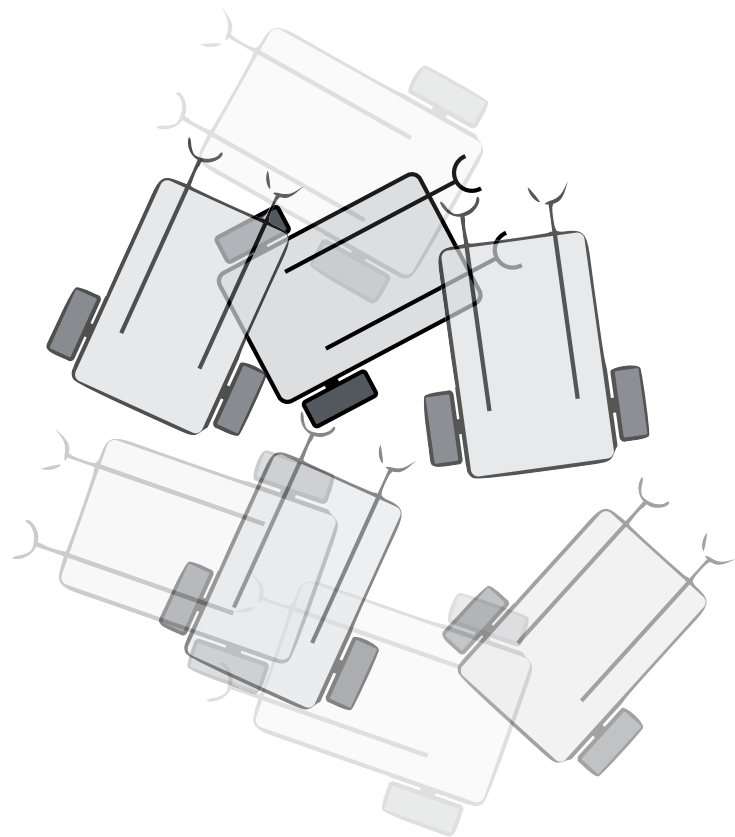


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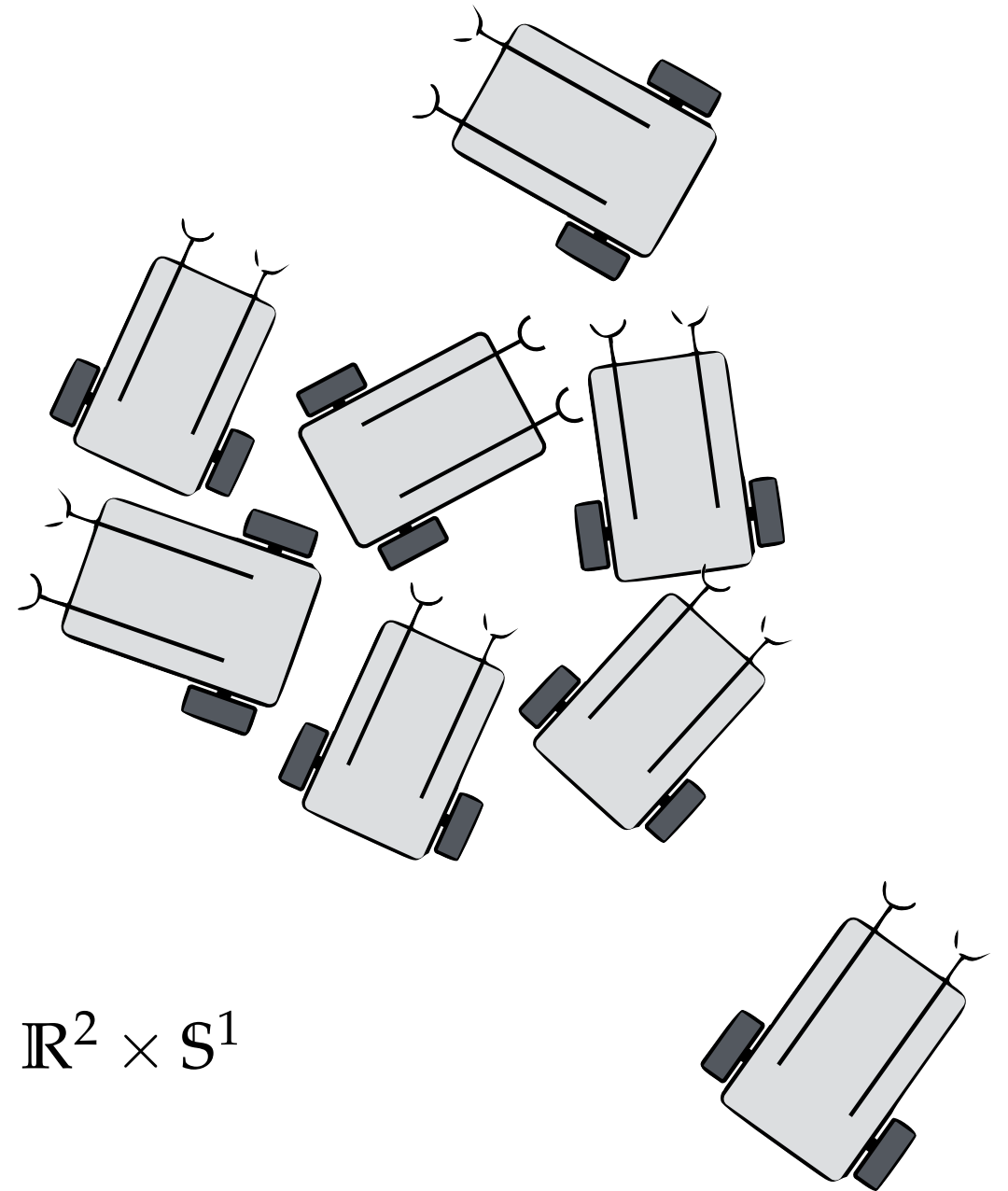
$$\rho(\mathbf{x}, t) : \mathcal{X} \times [0, \infty) \mapsto \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$$

$$\int_{\mathcal{X}} \rho \, d\mathbf{x} = 1 \quad \text{for all } t \in [0, \infty)$$

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Population Density Fn.



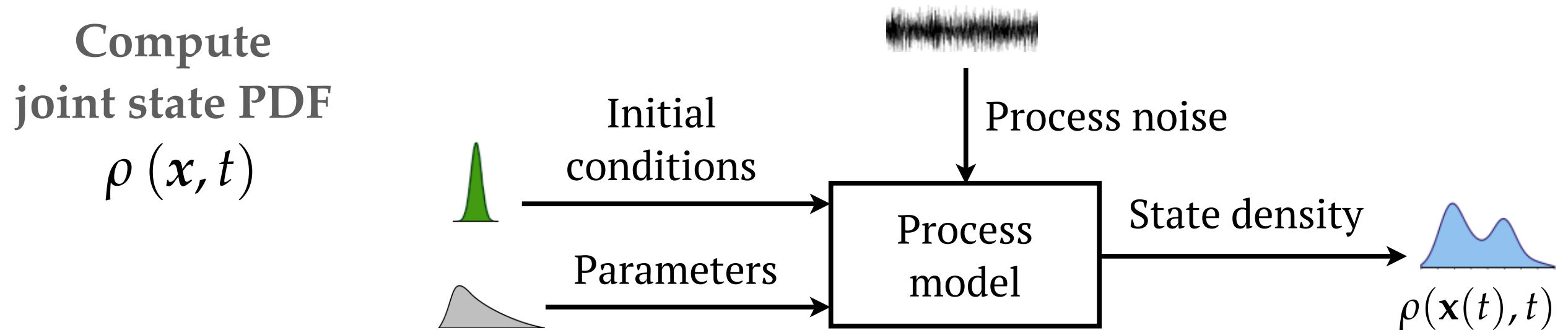
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Why care about densities?

Prediction Problem



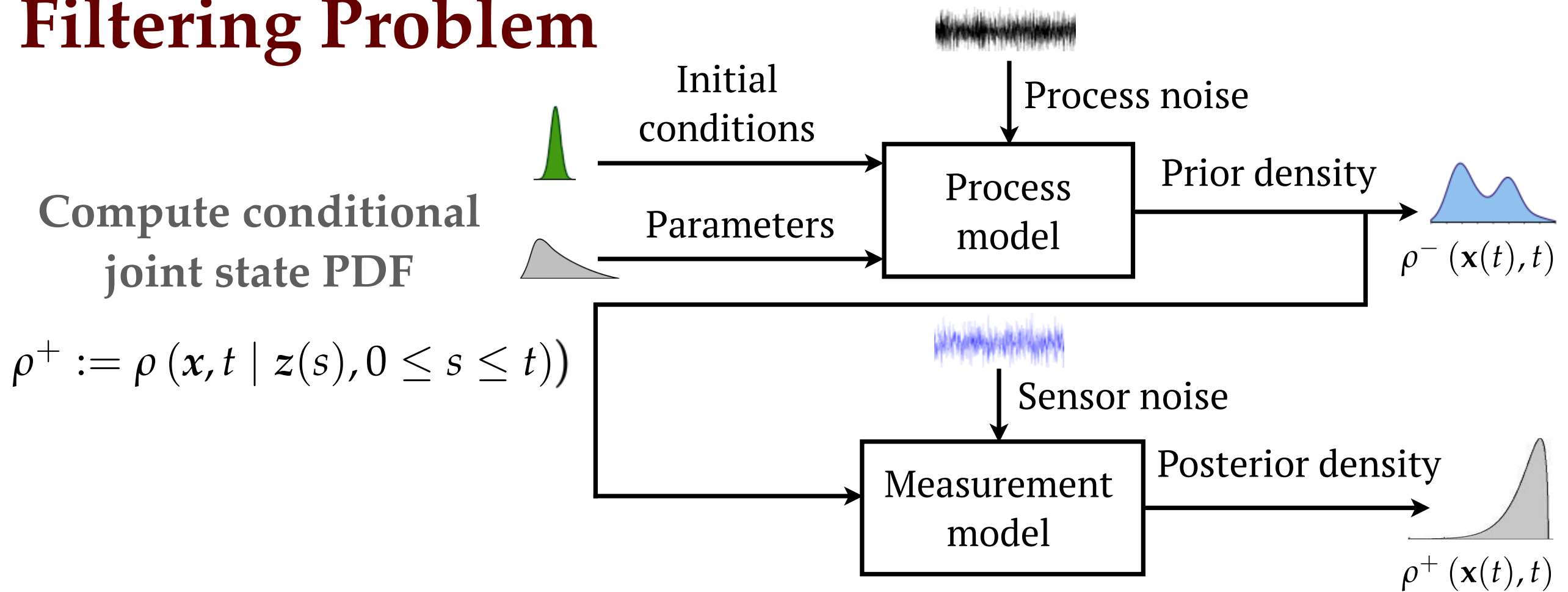
Trajectory flow:

$$d\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t) dt + \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}, t) d\mathbf{w}(t), \quad d\mathbf{w}(t) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{Q}dt)$$

Density flow:

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{FP}}(\rho) := -\nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{f}) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \left(\left(\mathbf{g} \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{g}^\top \right)_{ij} \rho \right)$$

Filtering Problem



Trajectory flow:

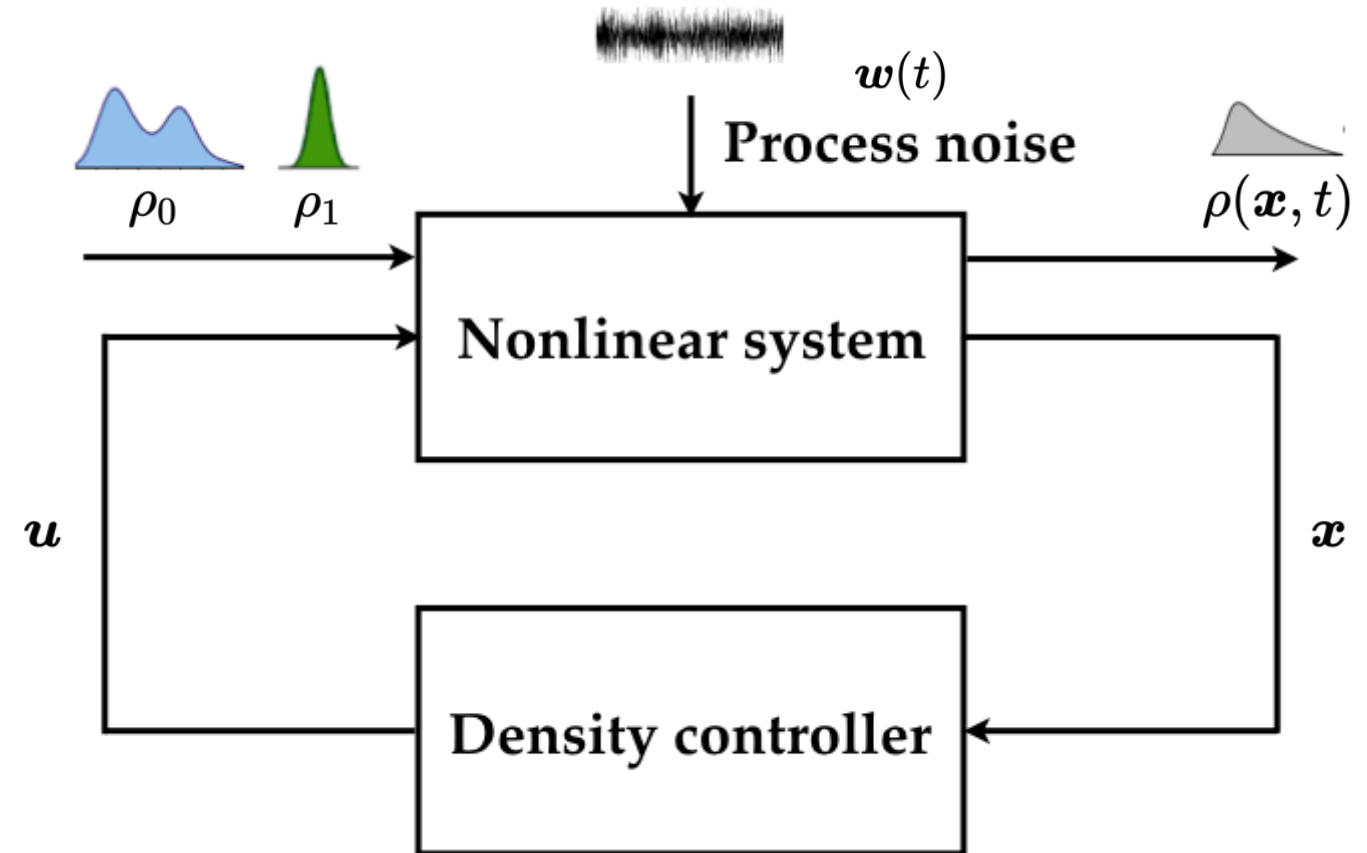
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Density flow:

$$d\rho^+ = \left[\mathcal{L}_{\text{FP}} dt + (\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \mathbb{E}_{\rho^+}\{\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}, t)\})^\top \mathbf{R}^{-1} (d\mathbf{z}(t) - \mathbb{E}_{\rho^+}\{\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}, t)\} dt) \right] \rho^+$$

Control Problem

Steer joint state PDF via feedback control over finite time horizon



$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{u \in \mathcal{U}}{\text{minimize}} \quad \mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^1 \|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2 \, dt \right] \\ & \text{subject to} \\ & d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}, t) \, dt + \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}, t) \, dw, \\ & \mathbf{x}(t=0) \sim \rho_0, \quad \mathbf{x}(t=1) \sim \rho_1 \end{aligned}$$

Neural Network Learning Problem

Consider fully connected NN

Think “layers” as interacting population of neurons

Mean field learning problem: $\inf_{\rho \in \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}^p)} R\left(\int \Phi(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \rho(\boldsymbol{\theta}) d\boldsymbol{\theta}\right)$

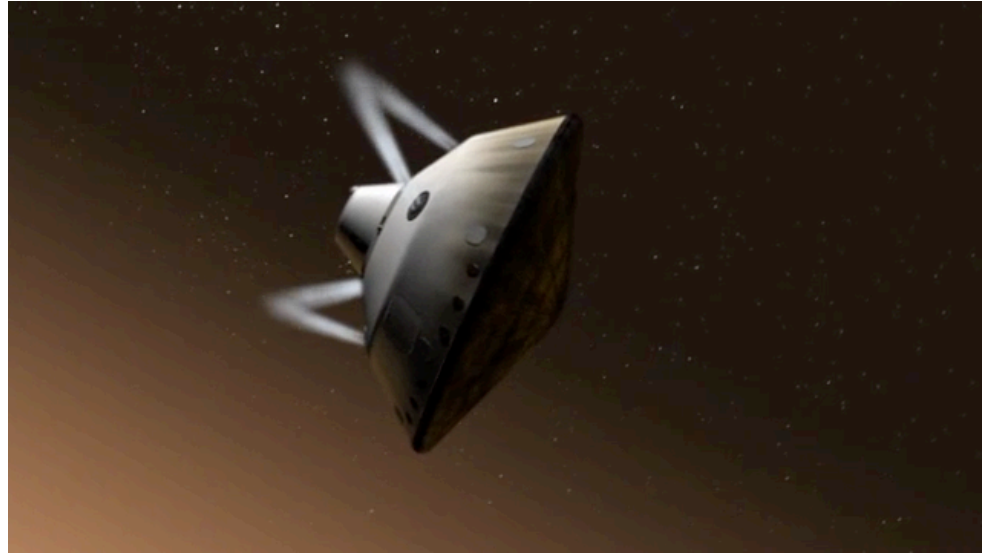
PDF dynamics:

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = -\nabla^W R\left(\int \Phi \rho\right) = \nabla \cdot \left(\rho \nabla \frac{\delta}{\delta \rho} R\left(\int \Phi \rho\right)\right)$$

PDFs in Mars Entry-Descent-Landing

Prediction problem

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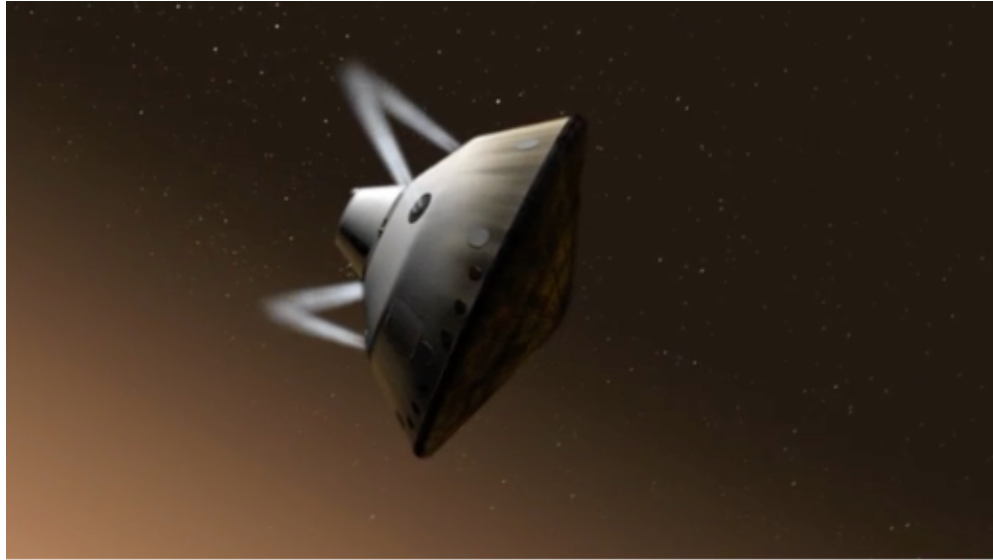
Predict heating rate uncertainty

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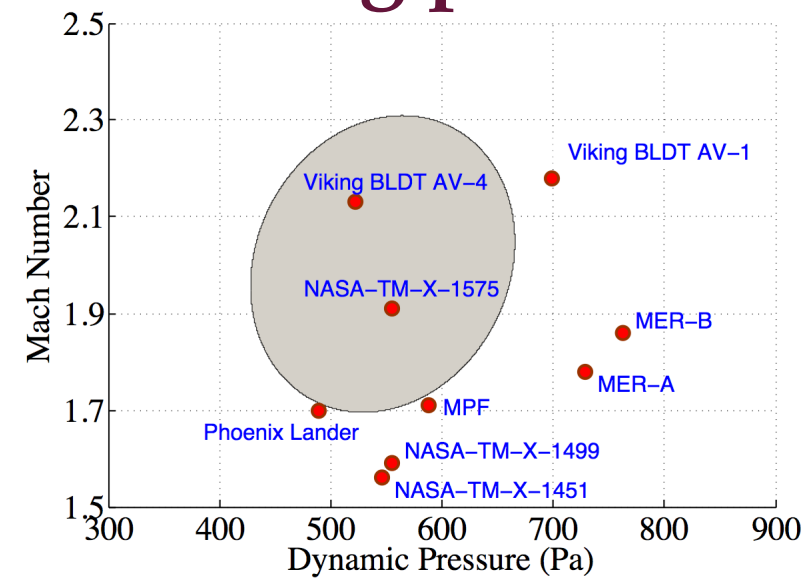
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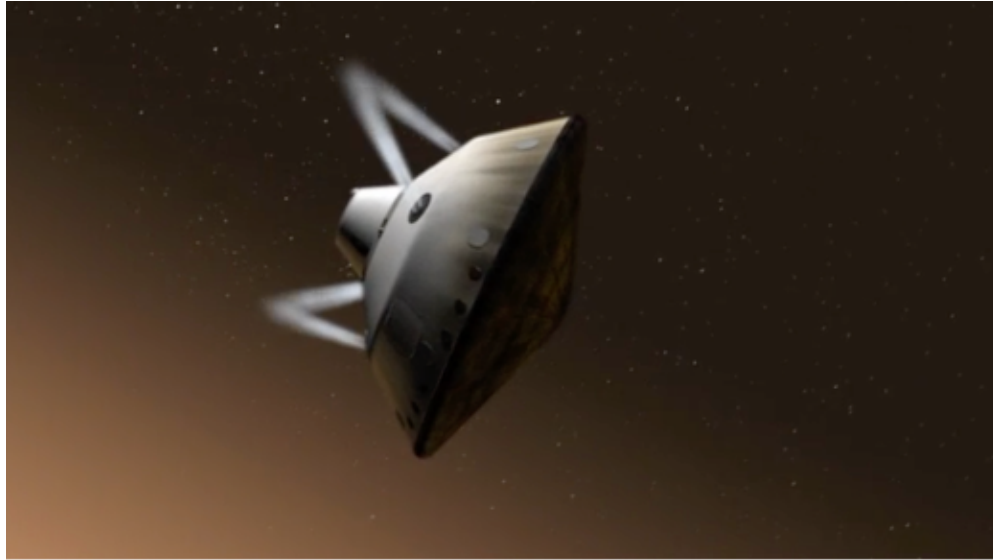


Estimate state to deploy parachute

Learning problem

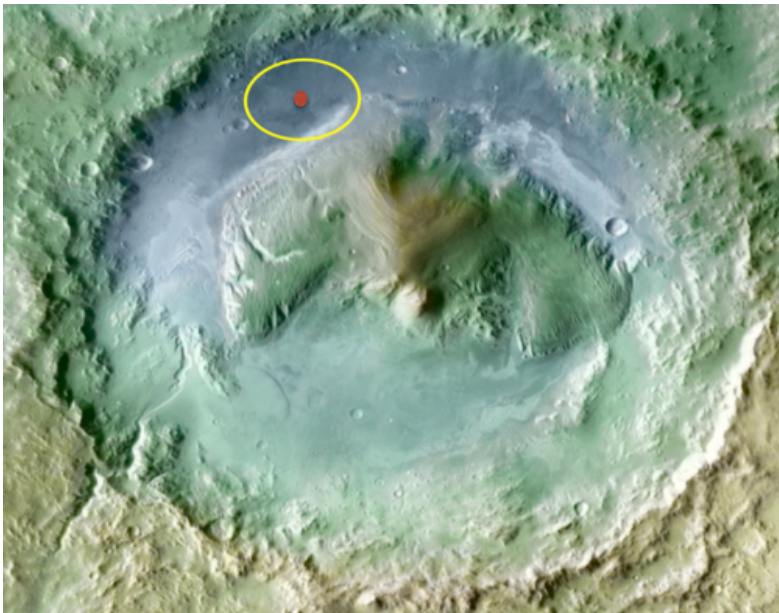
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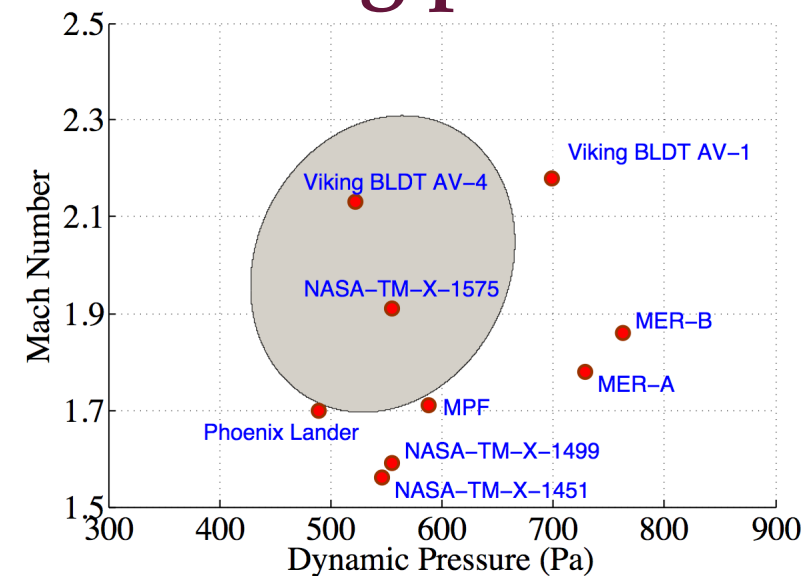
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Gale Crater (4.49S, 137.42E)

Steer state PDF to achieve
desired landing footprint accuracy

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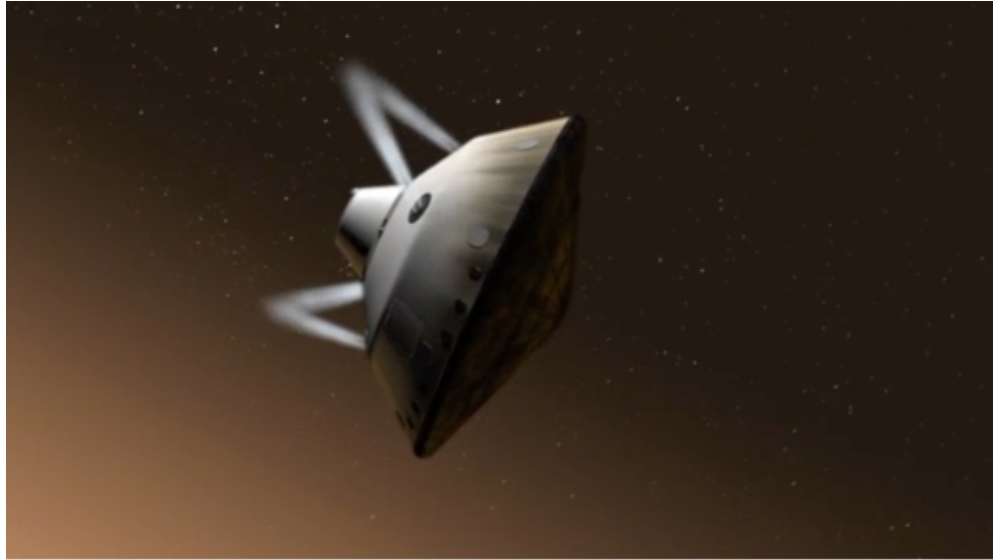


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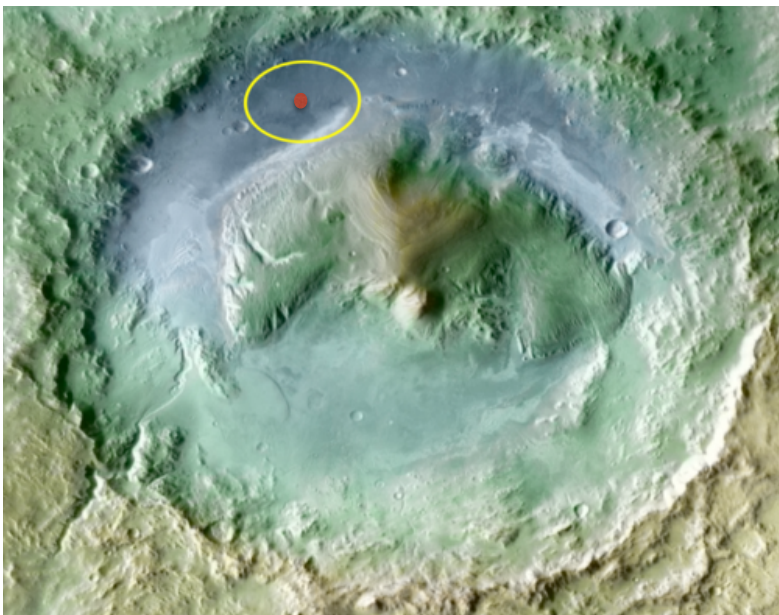
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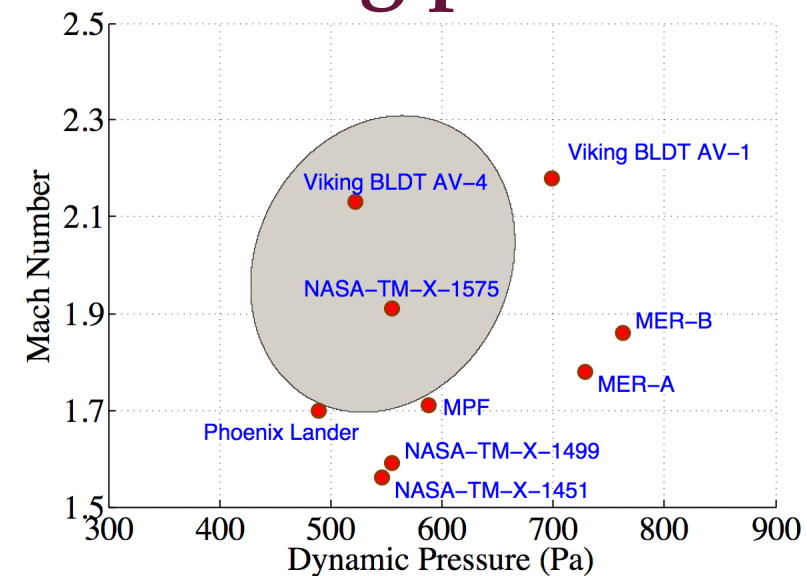
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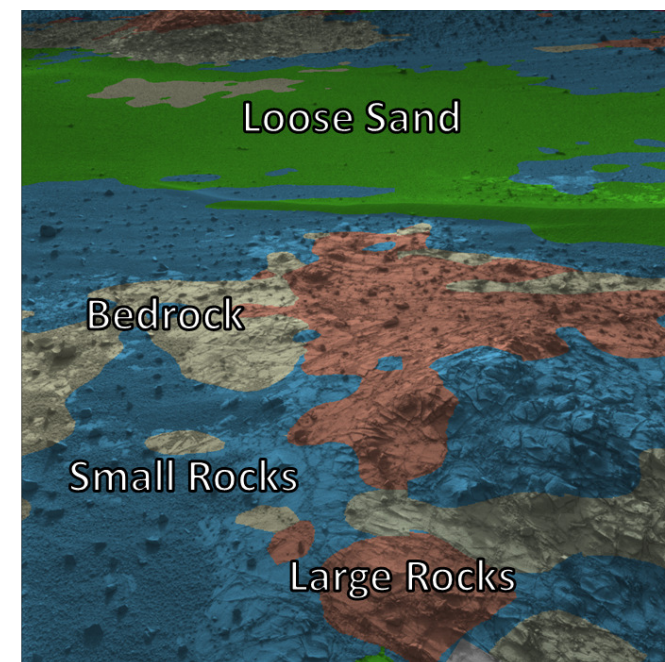
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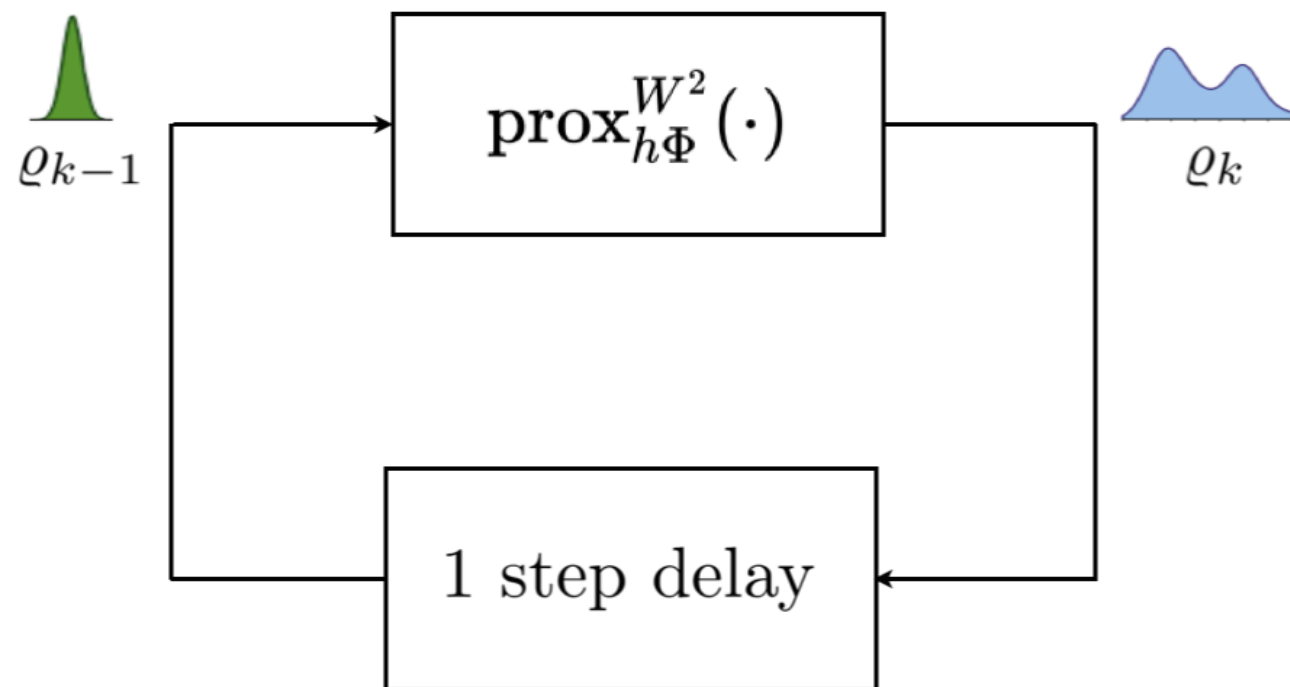
Learn surface feature from data

Solving prediction problem as generalized gradient flow

What's New?

Main idea: Solve $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{FP}} \rho$, $\rho(x, t = 0) = \rho_0$ as gradient flow in $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathcal{X})$

Infinite dimensional variational recursion:



Proximal operator: $\varrho_k = \text{prox}_{h\Phi}^{W^2}(\varrho_{k-1}) := \arg \inf_{\varrho \in \mathcal{P}_2(\mathcal{X})} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} W^2(\varrho, \varrho_{k-1}) + h\Phi(\varrho) \right\}$

Optimal transport cost: $W^2(\varrho, \varrho_{k-1}) := \inf_{\pi \in \Pi(\varrho, \varrho_{k-1})} \int_{\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X}} c(x, y) \, \mathrm{d}\pi(x, y)$

Free energy functional: $\Phi(\varrho) := \int_{\mathcal{X}} \psi \varrho \, \mathrm{d}x + \beta^{-1} \int_{\mathcal{X}} \varrho \log \varrho \, \mathrm{d}x$

Geometric Meaning of Gradient Flow

Gradient Flow in \mathcal{X}

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = -\nabla\varphi(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}_0$$

Recursion:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_k &= \mathbf{x}_{k-1} - h\nabla\varphi(\mathbf{x}_k) \\ &= \arg \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_{k-1}\|_2^2 + h\varphi(\mathbf{x}) \right\} \\ &=: \text{prox}_{h\varphi}^{\|\cdot\|_2}(\mathbf{x}_{k-1}) \end{aligned}$$

Convergence:

$$\mathbf{x}_k \rightarrow \mathbf{x}(t = kh) \quad \text{as} \quad h \downarrow 0$$

φ as Lyapunov function:

$$\frac{d}{dt}\varphi = -\|\nabla\varphi\|_2^2 \leq 0$$

Gradient Flow in $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathcal{X})$

$$\frac{\partial\rho}{\partial t} = -\nabla^W\Phi(\rho), \quad \rho(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \rho_0$$

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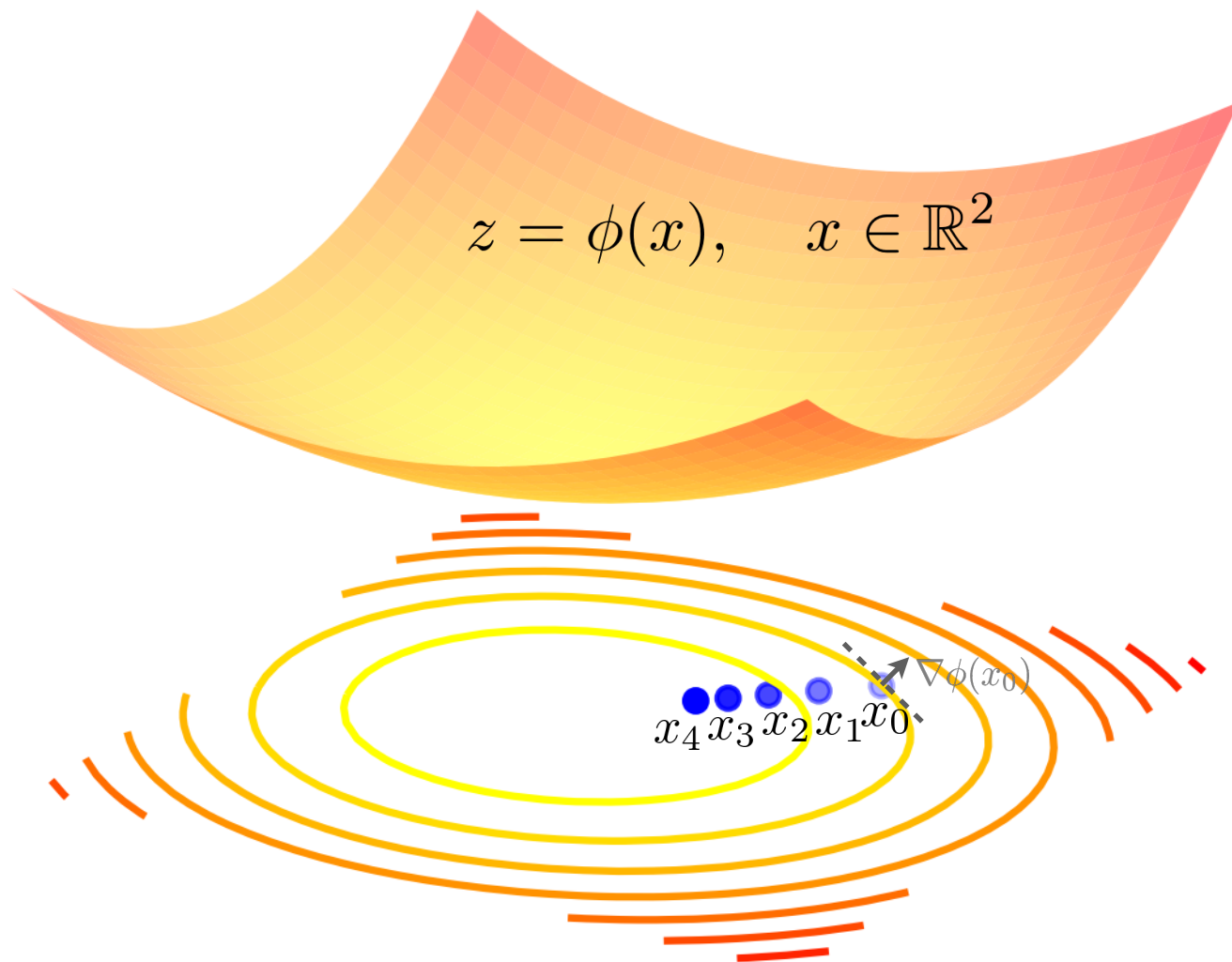
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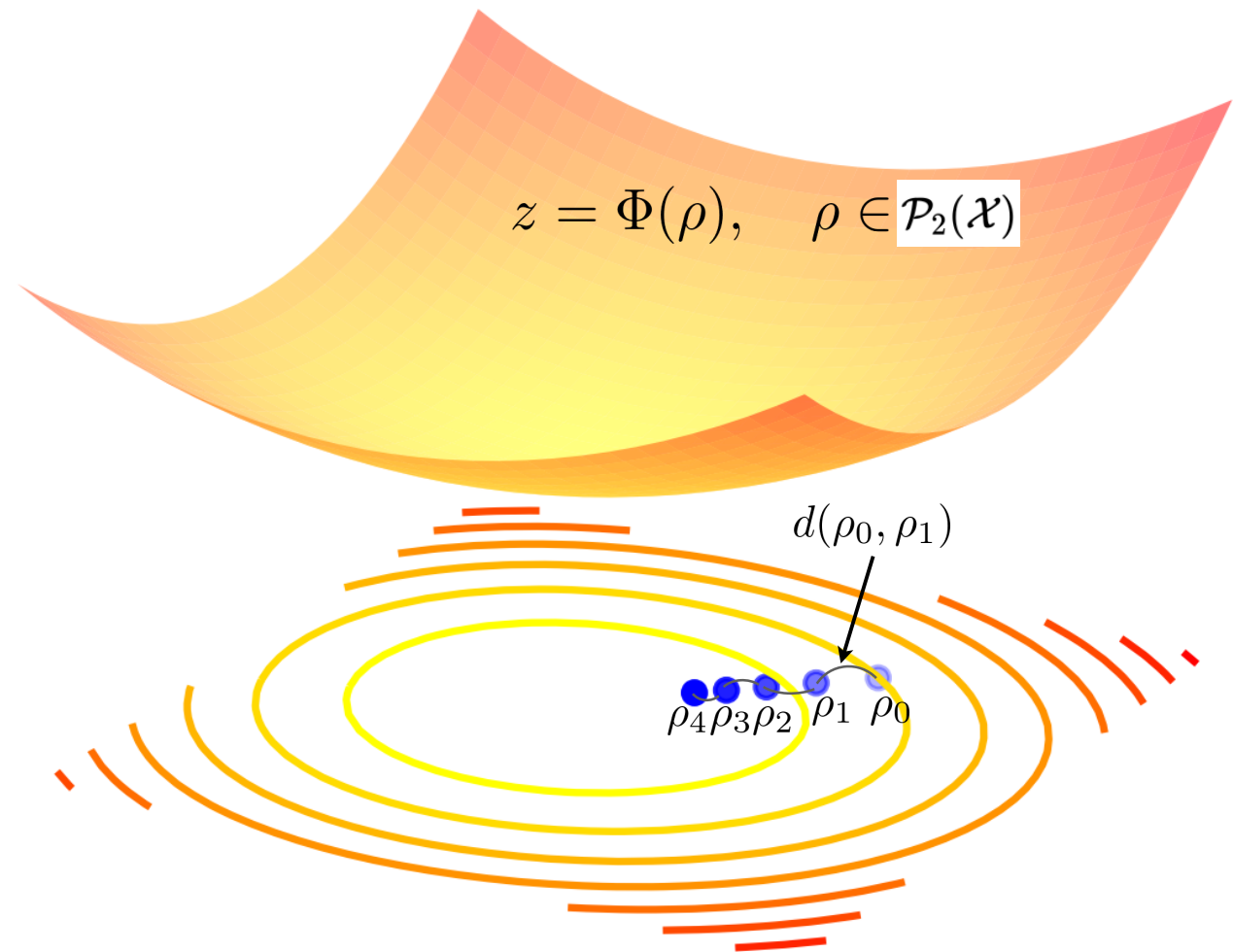
Gradient Flow in \mathcal{X}

$$z = \phi(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^2$$



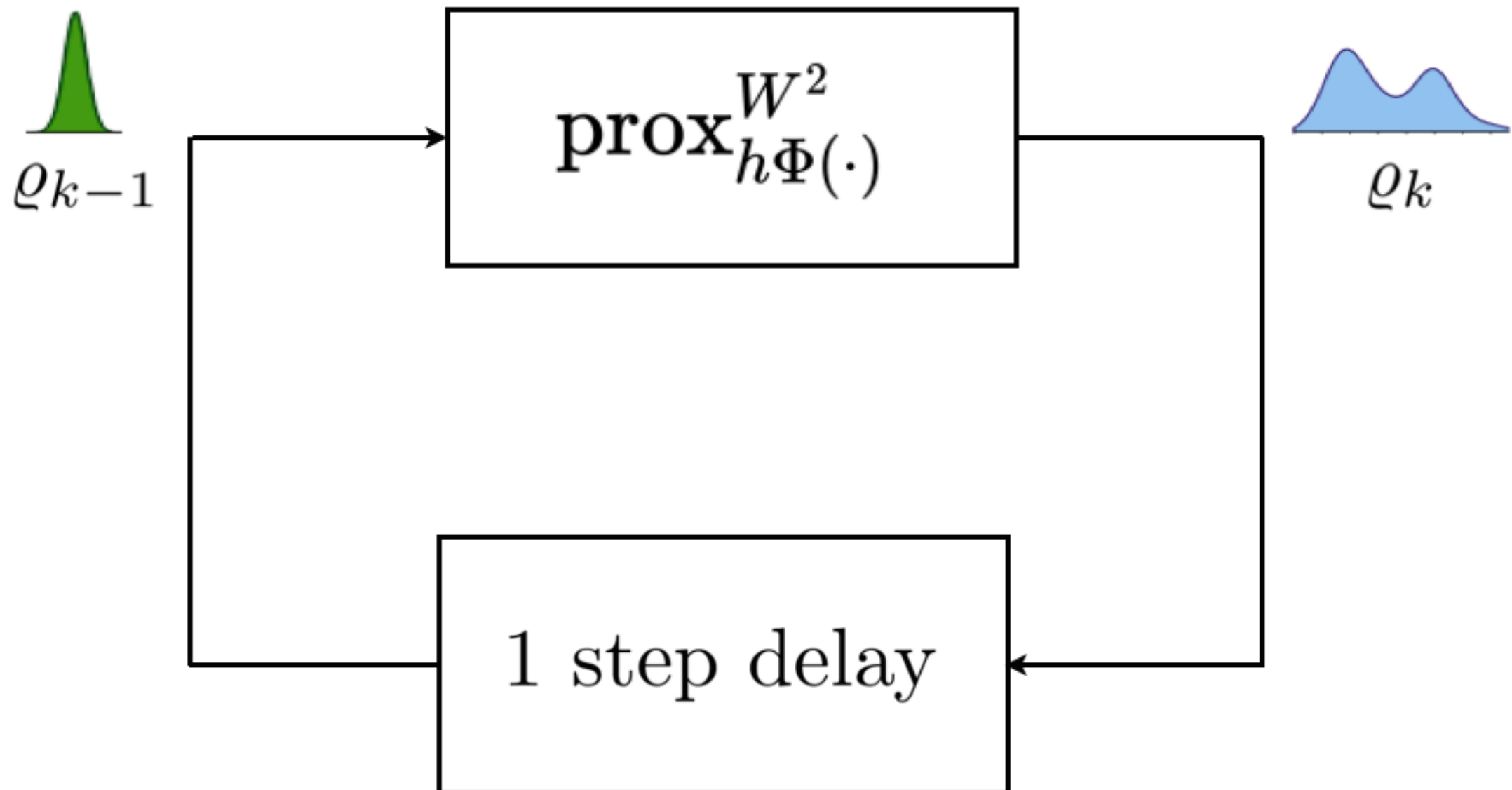
Gradient Flow in $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathcal{X})$

$$z = \Phi(\rho), \quad \rho \in \mathcal{P}_2(\mathcal{X})$$



Algorithm: Gradient Ascent on the Dual Space

Uncertainty propagation via point clouds



No spatial discretization or function approximation

Algorithm: Gradient Ascent on the Dual Space

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (\nabla \psi \rho) + \beta^{-1} \Delta \rho$$

\Updownarrow

Proximal Recursion

$$\rho_k = \rho(\mathbf{x}, t = kh) = \arg \inf_{\rho \in \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}^n)} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} W^2(\rho, \rho_{k-1}) + h \Phi(\rho) \right\}$$

\Downarrow

Discrete Primal Formulation

$$\boldsymbol{\varrho}_k = \arg \min_{\boldsymbol{\varrho}} \left\{ \min_{\mathbf{M} \in \Pi(\boldsymbol{\varrho}_{k-1}, \boldsymbol{\varrho})} \frac{1}{2} \langle \mathbf{C}_k, \mathbf{M} \rangle + h \langle \psi_{k-1} + \beta^{-1} \log \boldsymbol{\varrho}, \boldsymbol{\varrho} \rangle \right\}$$

\Downarrow

Entropic Regularization

$$\boldsymbol{\varrho}_k = \arg \min_{\boldsymbol{\varrho}} \left\{ \min_{\mathbf{M} \in \Pi(\boldsymbol{\varrho}_{k-1}, \boldsymbol{\varrho})} \frac{1}{2} \langle \mathbf{C}_k, \mathbf{M} \rangle + \epsilon H(\mathbf{M}) + h \langle \psi_{k-1} + \beta^{-1} \log \boldsymbol{\varrho}, \boldsymbol{\varrho} \rangle \right\}$$

\Updownarrow

Dualization

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda}_0^{\text{opt}}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}_1^{\text{opt}} = \arg \max_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}_0, \boldsymbol{\lambda}_1 \geq 0} \left\{ \langle \boldsymbol{\lambda}_0, \boldsymbol{\varrho}_{k-1} \rangle - F^*(-\boldsymbol{\lambda}_1) \right. \\ \left. - \frac{\epsilon}{h} \left(\exp(\boldsymbol{\lambda}_0^\top h / \epsilon) \exp(-\mathbf{C}_k / 2\epsilon) \exp(\boldsymbol{\lambda}_1 h / \epsilon) \right) \right\}$$

Recursion on the Cone

$$\mathbf{y} = e^{\frac{\lambda_0^*}{\epsilon} h} \Big| \quad \Big| \quad \mathbf{z} = e^{\frac{\lambda_1^*}{\epsilon} h}$$

Coupled Transcendental Equations in \mathbf{y} and \mathbf{z}

$$\begin{array}{l} \Gamma_k = e^{\frac{-\mathbf{C}_k}{2\epsilon}} \\ \varrho_{k-1} \\ \xi_{k-1} = \frac{e^{-\beta\psi_{k-1}}}{e} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \longrightarrow \\ \longrightarrow \\ \longrightarrow \end{array} \boxed{\begin{array}{l} \mathbf{y} \odot \Gamma_k \mathbf{z} = \varrho_{k-1} \\ \mathbf{z} \odot \Gamma_k^\top \mathbf{y} = \xi_{k-1} \odot \mathbf{z}^{-\beta\epsilon/2h} \end{array}} \longrightarrow \varrho_k = \mathbf{z} \odot \Gamma_k^\top \mathbf{y}$$

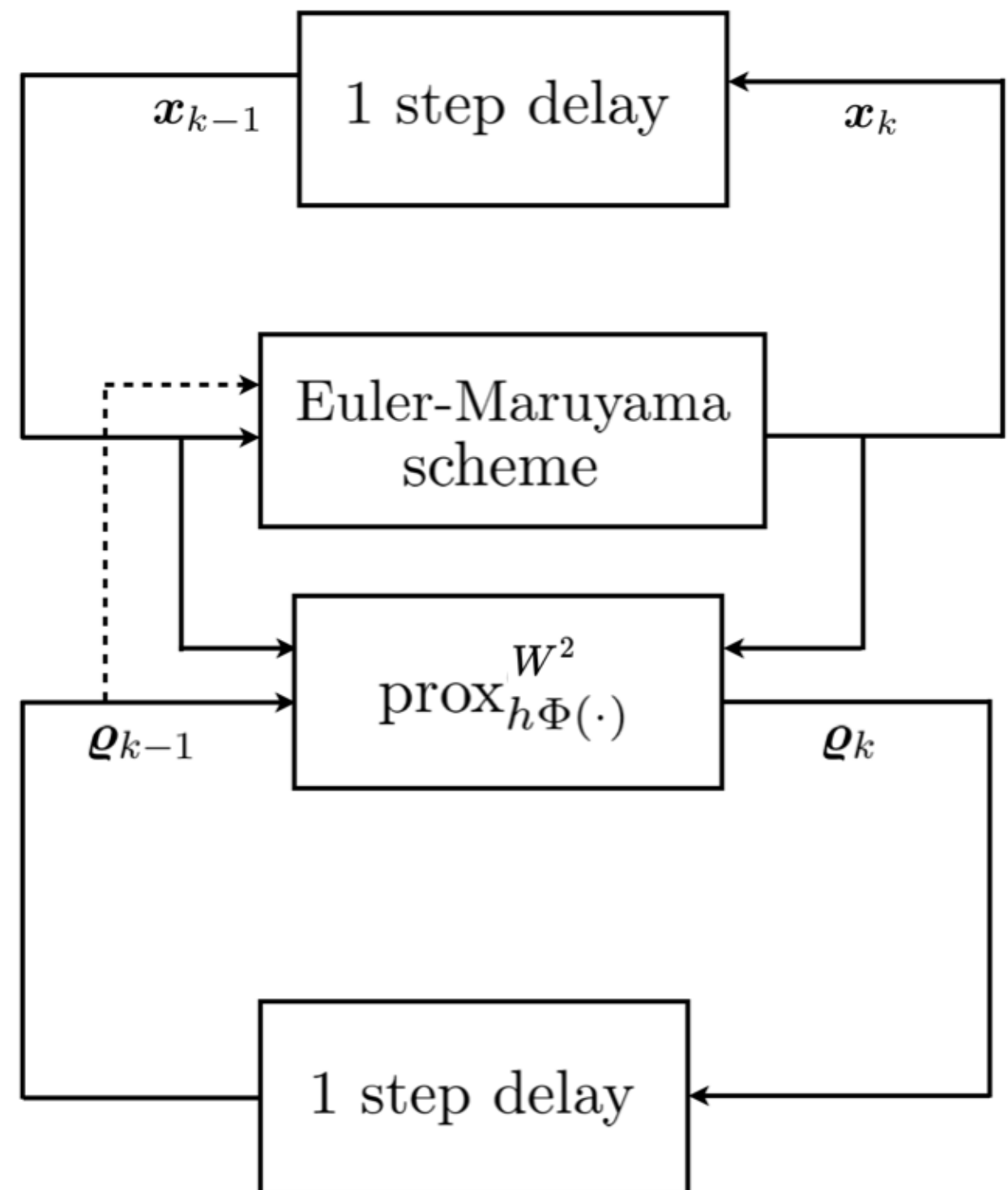
Theorem: Consider the recursion on the cone $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^n \times \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^n$

$$\mathbf{y} \odot (\Gamma_k \mathbf{z}) = \varrho_{k-1}, \quad \mathbf{z} \odot (\Gamma_k^\top \mathbf{y}) = \xi_{k-1} \odot \mathbf{z}^{-\frac{\beta\epsilon}{h}},$$

Then the solution $(\mathbf{y}^*, \mathbf{z}^*)$ gives the proximal update $\varrho_k = \mathbf{z}^* \odot (\Gamma_k^\top \mathbf{y}^*)$

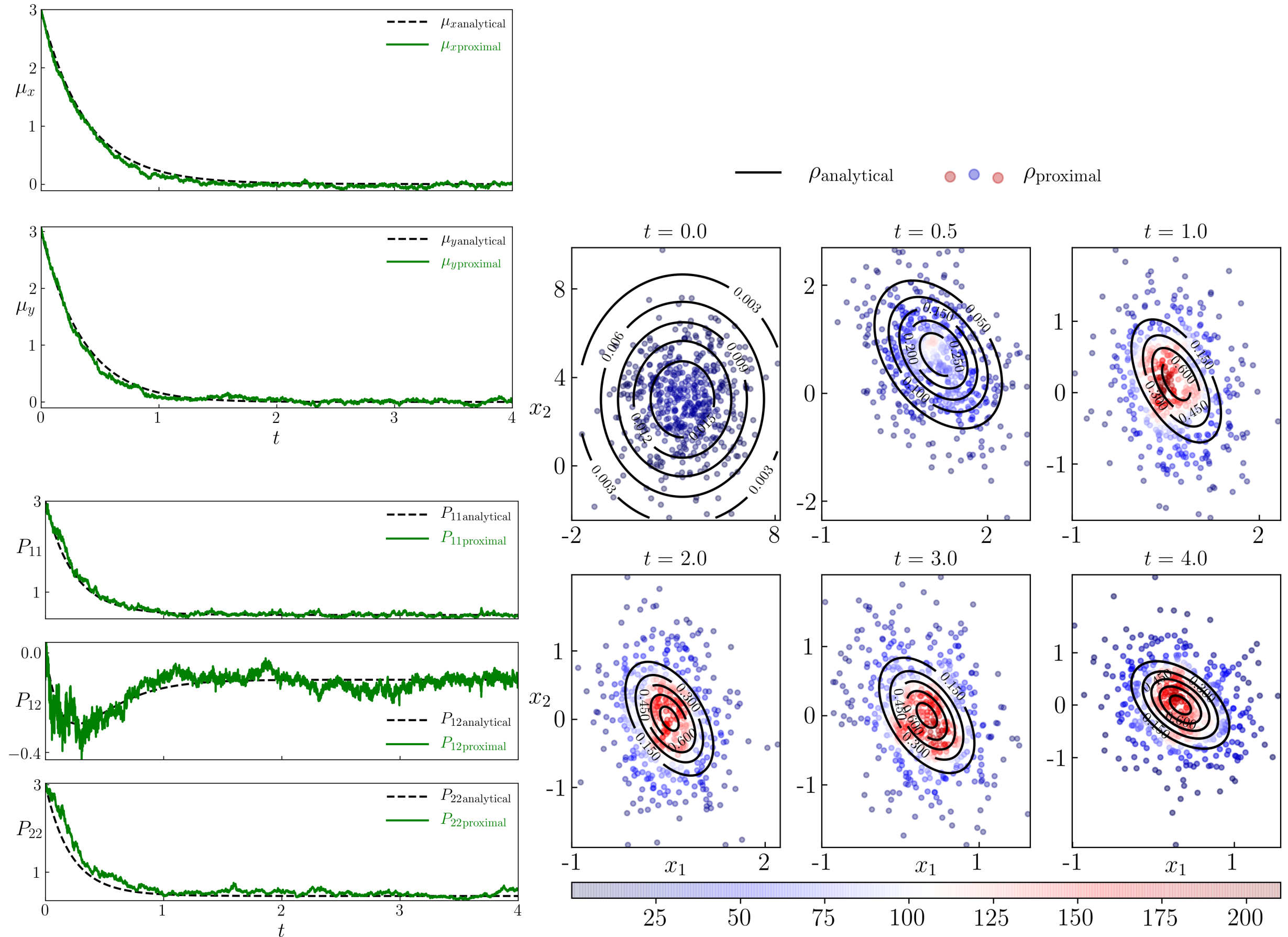
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Algorithmic Setup

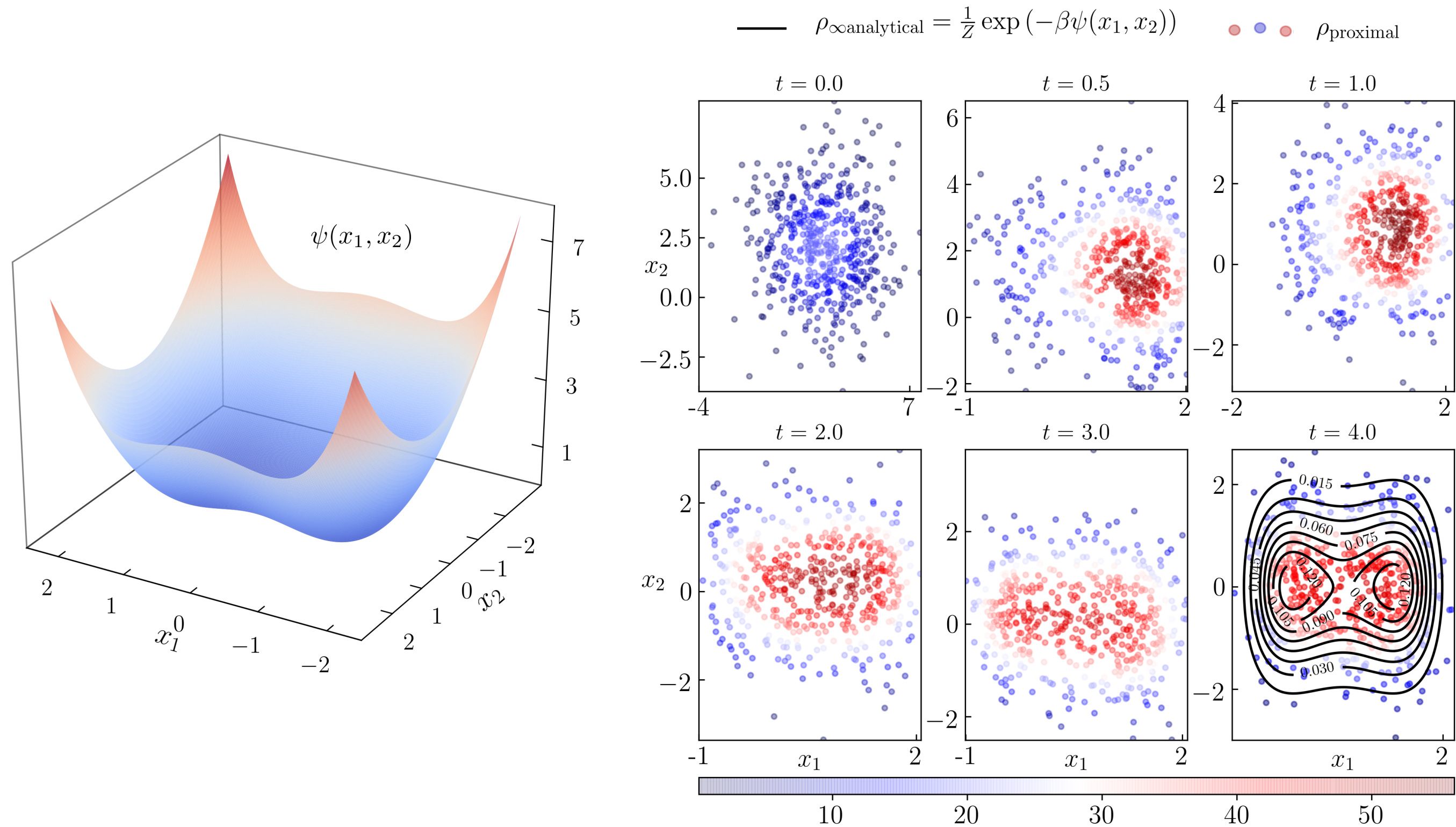


Theorem: Block co-ordinate iteration of (y, z) recursion is contractive on $\mathbb{R}_{>0}^n \times \mathbb{R}_{>0}^n$.

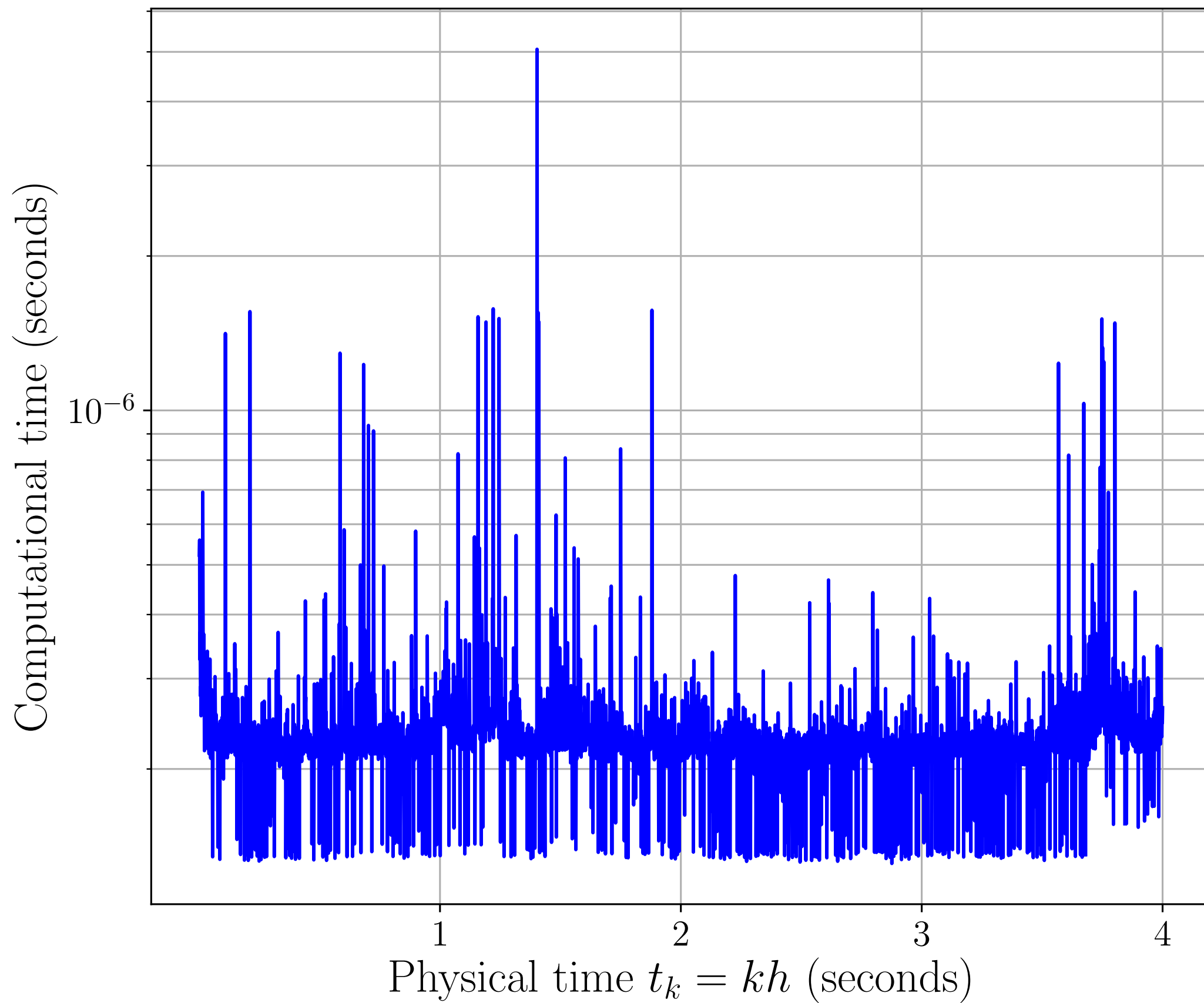
Proximal Prediction: 2D Linear Gaussian



Proximal Prediction: Nonlinear Non-Gaussian



Computational Time: Nonlinear Non-Gaussian



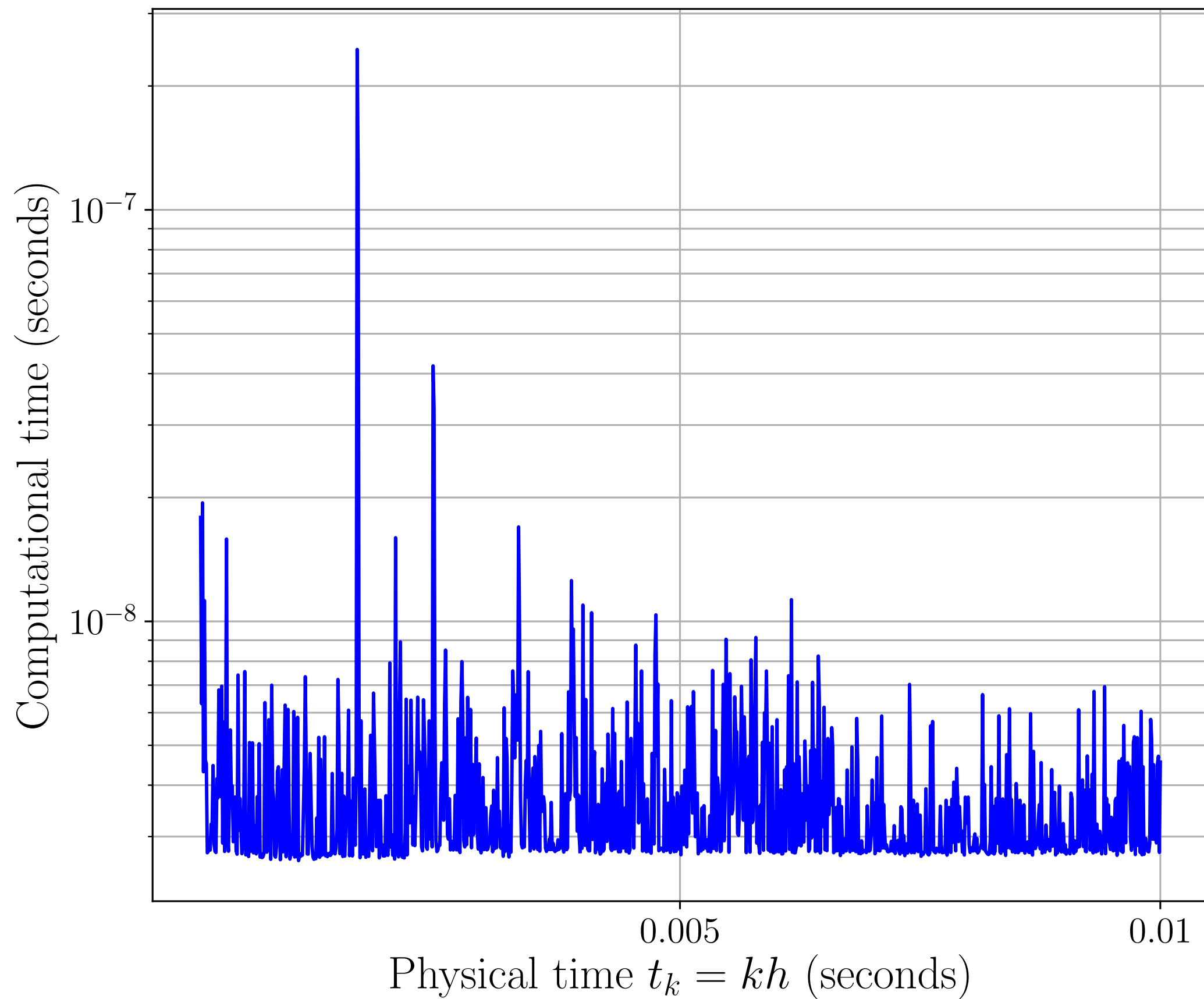
Proximal Prediction: Satellite in Geocentric Orbit

Here, $\mathcal{X} \equiv \mathbb{R}^6$

$$\begin{pmatrix} dx \\ dy \\ dz \\ dv_x \\ dv_y \\ dv_z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ v_z \\ -\frac{\mu x}{r^3} + (f_x)_{\text{pert}} - \gamma v_x \\ -\frac{\mu y}{r^3} + (f_y)_{\text{pert}} - \gamma v_y \\ -\frac{\mu z}{r^3} + (f_z)_{\text{pert}} - \gamma v_z \end{pmatrix} dt + \sqrt{2\beta^{-1}\gamma} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ dw_1 \\ dw_2 \\ dw_3 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} f_x \\ f_y \\ f_z \end{pmatrix}_{\text{pert}} = \begin{pmatrix} s\theta & c\phi & c\theta & c\phi & -s\phi \\ s\theta & s\phi & c\theta & s\phi & c\phi \\ c\theta & & -s\theta & & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{k}{2r^4} (3(s\theta)^2 - 1) \\ -\frac{k}{r^5} s\theta & c\theta \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, k := 3J_2 R_E^2, \mu = \text{constant}$$

Computational Time: Satellite in Geocentric Orbit



Extensions: Nonlocal Interactions

PDF dependent sample path dynamics:

$$d\mathbf{x} = - (\nabla U(\mathbf{x}) + \nabla \rho * V) dt + \sqrt{2\beta^{-1}} d\mathbf{w}$$

McKean-Vlasov-Fokker-Planck-Kolmogorov integro PDE:

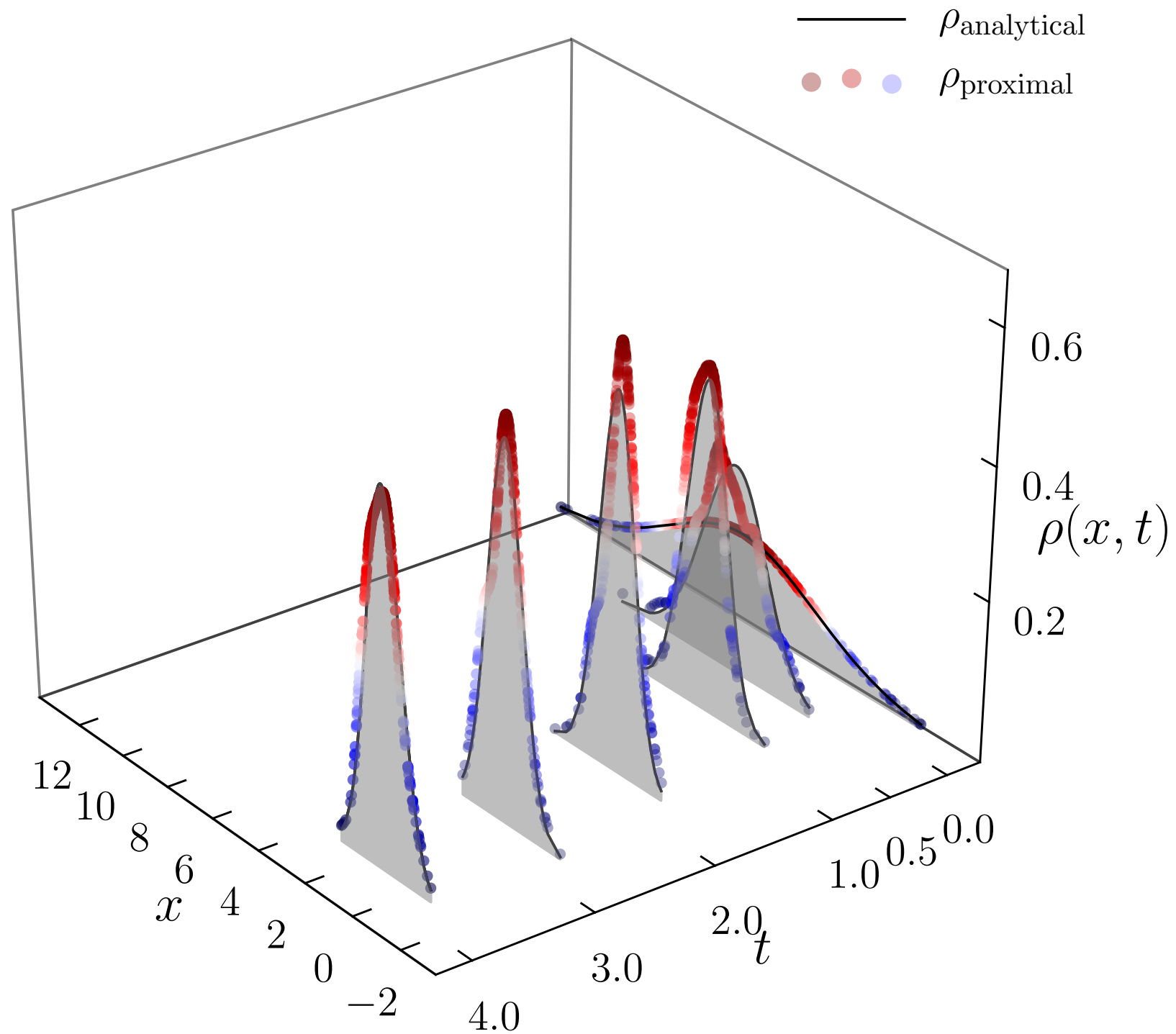
$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (\rho \nabla (U + \rho * V)) + \beta^{-1} \Delta \rho$$

Free energy:

$$F(\rho) := \mathbb{E}_{\rho} [U + \beta^{-1} \rho \log \rho + \rho * V]$$

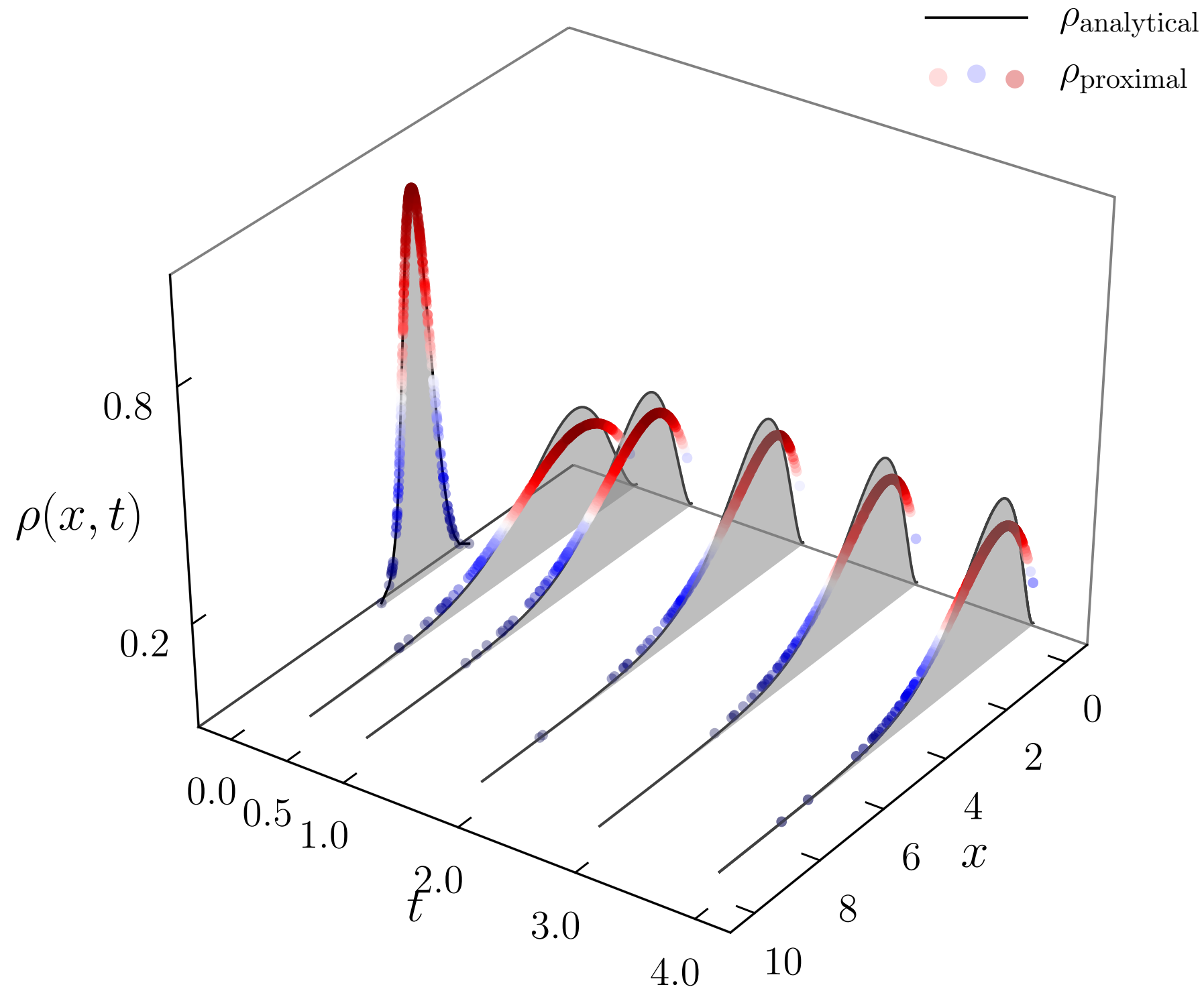
Extensions: Nonlocal Interactions

$$U(\cdot) = V(\cdot) = \|\cdot\|_2^2$$



Extensions: Multiplicative Noise

Cox-Ingersoll-Ross: $dx = a(\theta - x) dt + b\sqrt{x} dw, 2a > b^2, \theta > 0$



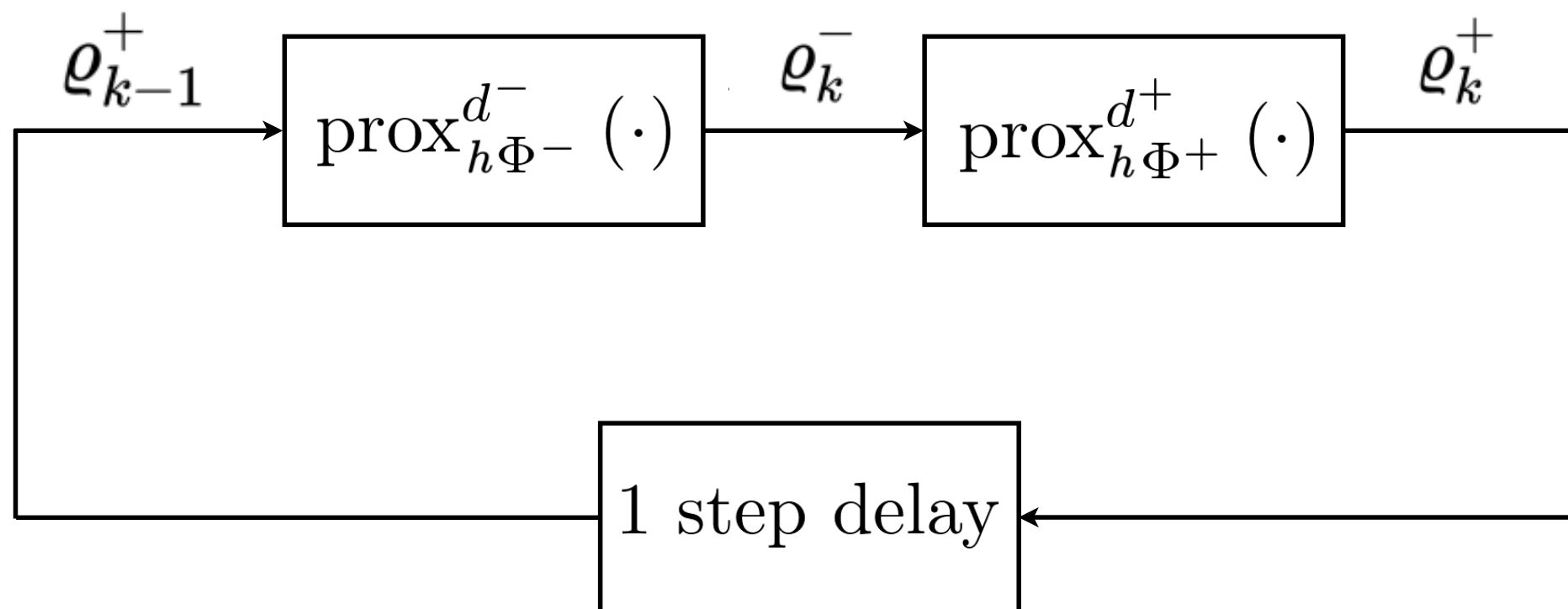
Solving filtering as generalized gradient flow

What's New?

Main idea: Solve the Kushner-Stratonovich SPDE

$$d\rho^+ = [\mathcal{L}_{\text{FP}}dt + \mathcal{L}(dz, dt, \rho^+)]\rho^+, \quad \rho(x, t=0) = \rho_0 \text{ as gradient flow in } \mathcal{P}_2(\mathcal{X})$$

Recursion of {deterministic ◦ stochastic} proximal operators:



Convergence: $\varrho_k^+(h) \rightarrow \rho^+(x, t = kh)$ as $h \downarrow 0$

For prior, as before: $d^- \equiv W^2$, $\Phi^- \equiv \mathbb{E}_{\varrho}[\psi + \beta^{-1} \log \varrho]$

For posterior: $d^+ \equiv d_{\text{FR}}^2$ or D_{KL} , $\Phi^+ \equiv \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_{\varrho^+}[(y_k - h(x))^\top R^{-1}(y_k - h(x))]$

Explicit Recovery of the Kalman-Bucy Filter

Model:

$$d\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t)dt + \mathbf{B}d\mathbf{w}(t), \quad d\mathbf{w}(t) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{Q}dt)$$

$$d\mathbf{z}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t)dt + d\mathbf{v}(t), \quad d\mathbf{v}(t) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{R}dt)$$

Given $\mathbf{x}(0) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_0, \mathbf{P}_0)$, want to recover:

$$d\mu^+(t) = \mathbf{A}\mu^+(t)dt + \overset{\mathbf{P}^+\mathbf{C}\mathbf{R}^{-1}}{\underset{\text{I}}{\mathbf{K}(t)}} (d\mathbf{z}(t) - \mathbf{C}\mu^+(t)dt),$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{P}}^+(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{P}^+(t) + \mathbf{P}^+(t)\mathbf{A}^\top + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{B}^\top - \mathbf{K}(t)\mathbf{R}\mathbf{K}(t)^\top.$$

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Explicit Recovery of the Wonham Filter

Model:

$$x(t) \sim \text{Markov}(Q), \\ dz(t) = h(x(t)) dt + \sigma_v(t) dv(t)$$

State space: $\Omega := \{a_1, \dots, a_m\}$

Posterior $\pi^+(t) := \{\pi_1^+(t), \dots, \pi_m^+(t)\}$ **solves the nonlinear SDE:**

$$d\pi^+(t) = \pi^+(t)Q dt + \frac{1}{(\sigma_v(t))^2} \pi^+(t) \left(H - \hat{h}(t)I \right) \left(dz(t) - \hat{h}(t)dt \right),$$

where $H := \text{diag}(h(a_1), \dots, h(a_m))$, $\hat{h}(t) := \sum_{i=1}^m h(a_i) \pi_i^+(t)$,

Initial condition: $\pi^+(t=0) = \pi_0$,

By defn. $\pi^+(t) = \mathbb{P}(x(t) = a_i \mid z(s), 0 \leq s \leq t)$

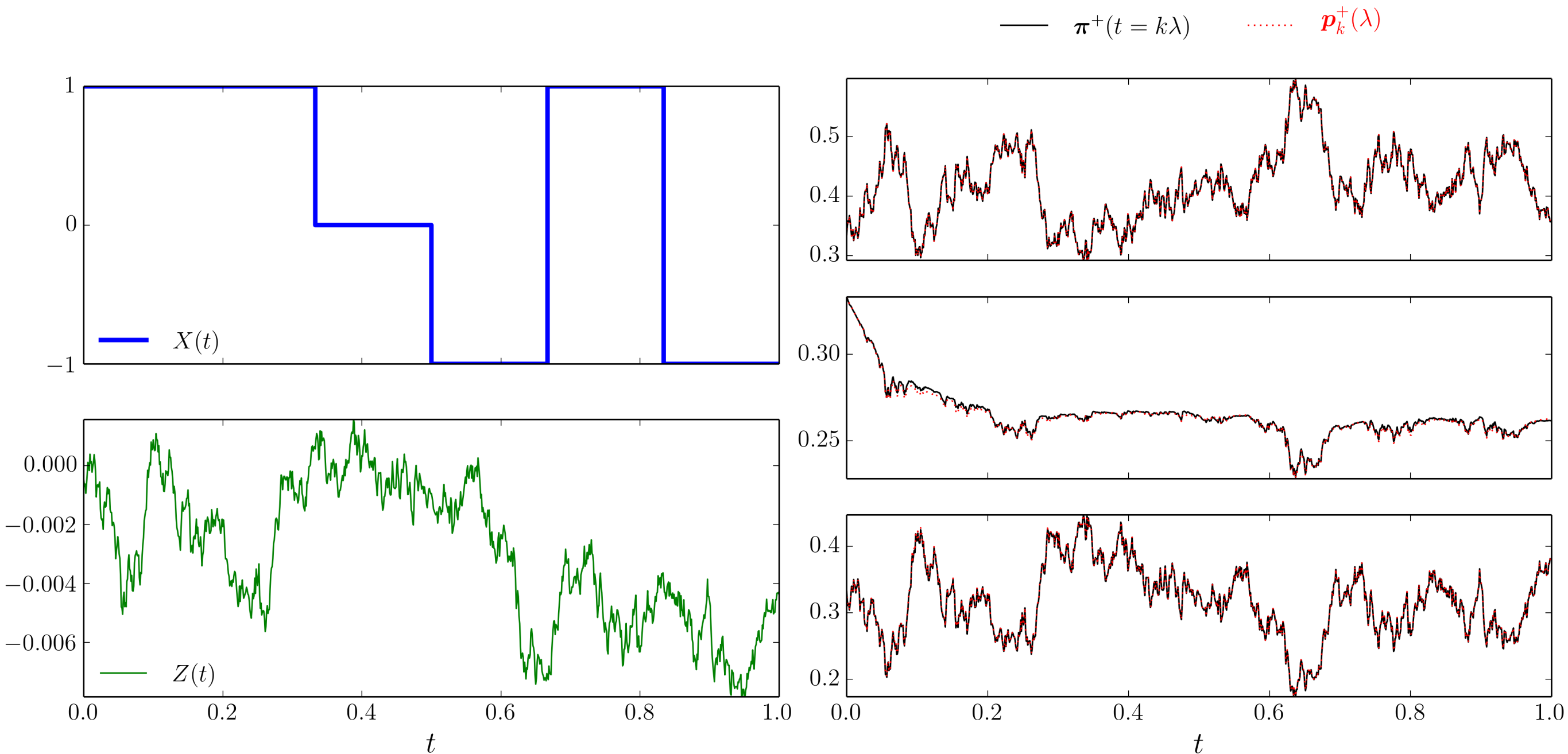
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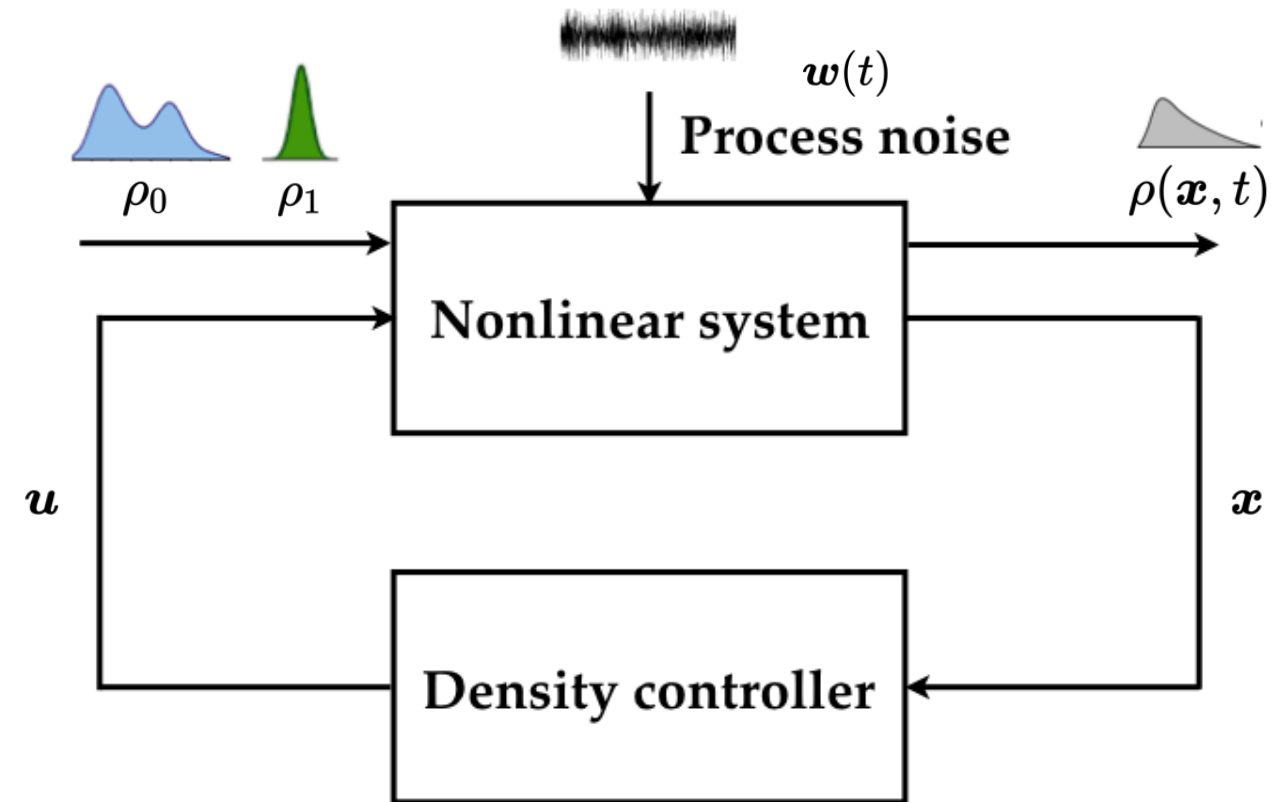
Finite Horizon Feedback Density Control

$$\underset{u \in \mathcal{U}}{\text{minimize}} \quad \mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^1 \|u(x, t)\|_2^2 dt \right]$$

subject to

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

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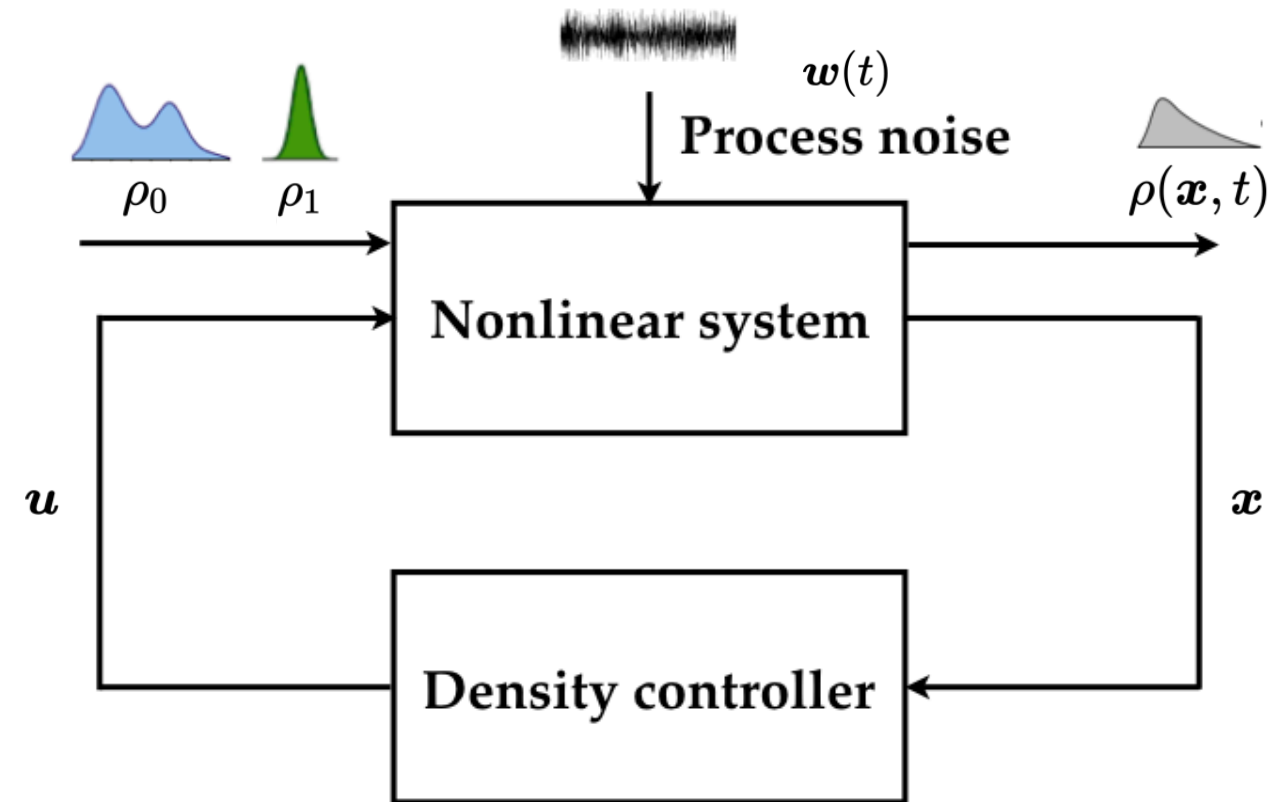
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Necessary conditions for optimality: coupled nonlinear PDEs (FPK + HJB)

$$\frac{\partial \rho^{\text{opt}}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \left(\rho^{\text{opt}} \left(f + B(t)^\top \nabla \psi \right) \right) = \epsilon \mathbf{1}^\top \left(D(t) \odot \text{Hess}(\rho^{\text{opt}}) \right) \mathbf{1},$$

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

Boundary conditions:

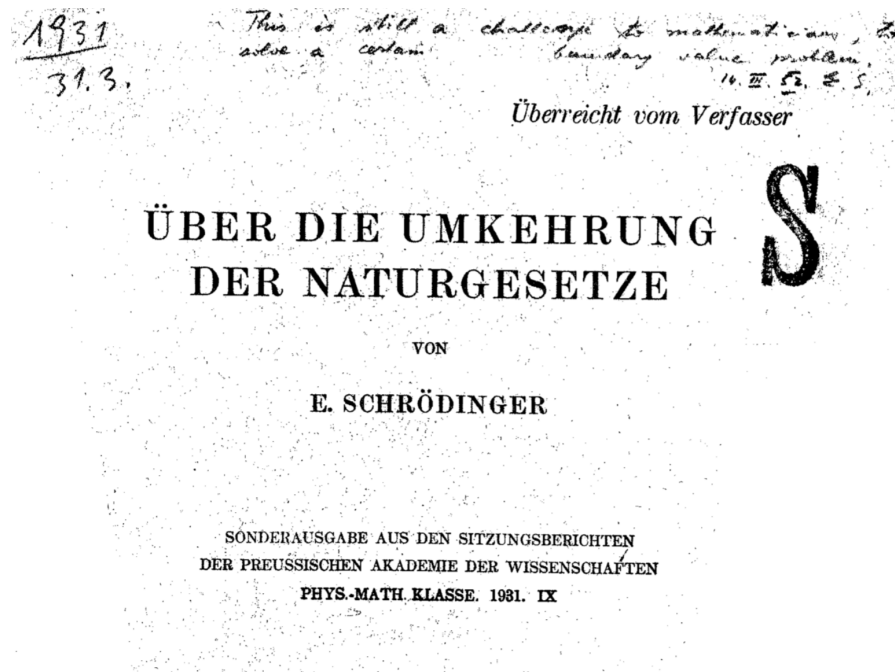
$$\rho^{\text{opt}}(x, 0) = \rho_0(x), \quad \rho^{\text{opt}}(x, 1) = \rho_1(x)$$

Optimal control:

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

Feedback Synthesis via the Schrödinger System

Schrödinger's (until recently) forgotten papers:



Sur la théorie relativiste de l'électron
et l'interprétation de la mécanique quantique

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I. — Introduction

J'ai l'intention d'exposer dans ces conférences diverses idées concernant la mécanique quantique et l'interprétation qu'on en donne généralement à l'heure actuelle ; je parlerai principalement de la théorie quantique relativiste du mouvement de l'électron. Autant que nous pouvons nous en rendre compte aujourd'hui, il semble à peu près sûr que la mécanique quantique de l'électron, sous sa forme idéale, *que nous ne possédons pas encore*, doit former un jour la base de toute la physique. A cet intérêt tout à fait général, s'ajoute, ici à Paris, un intérêt particulier : vous savez tous que les bases de la théorie moderne de l'électron ont été posées à Paris par votre célèbre compatriote Louis de BROGLIE.



Hopf-Cole transform: $(\rho^{\text{opt}}, \psi) \mapsto (\varphi, \hat{\varphi})$

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

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

Optimal controlled joint state PDF: $\rho^{\text{opt}}(x, t) = \hat{\varphi}(x, t) \varphi(x, t)$

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

Feedback Synthesis via the Schrödinger System

2 coupled nonlinear PDEs \rightarrow boundary-coupled linear PDEs!!

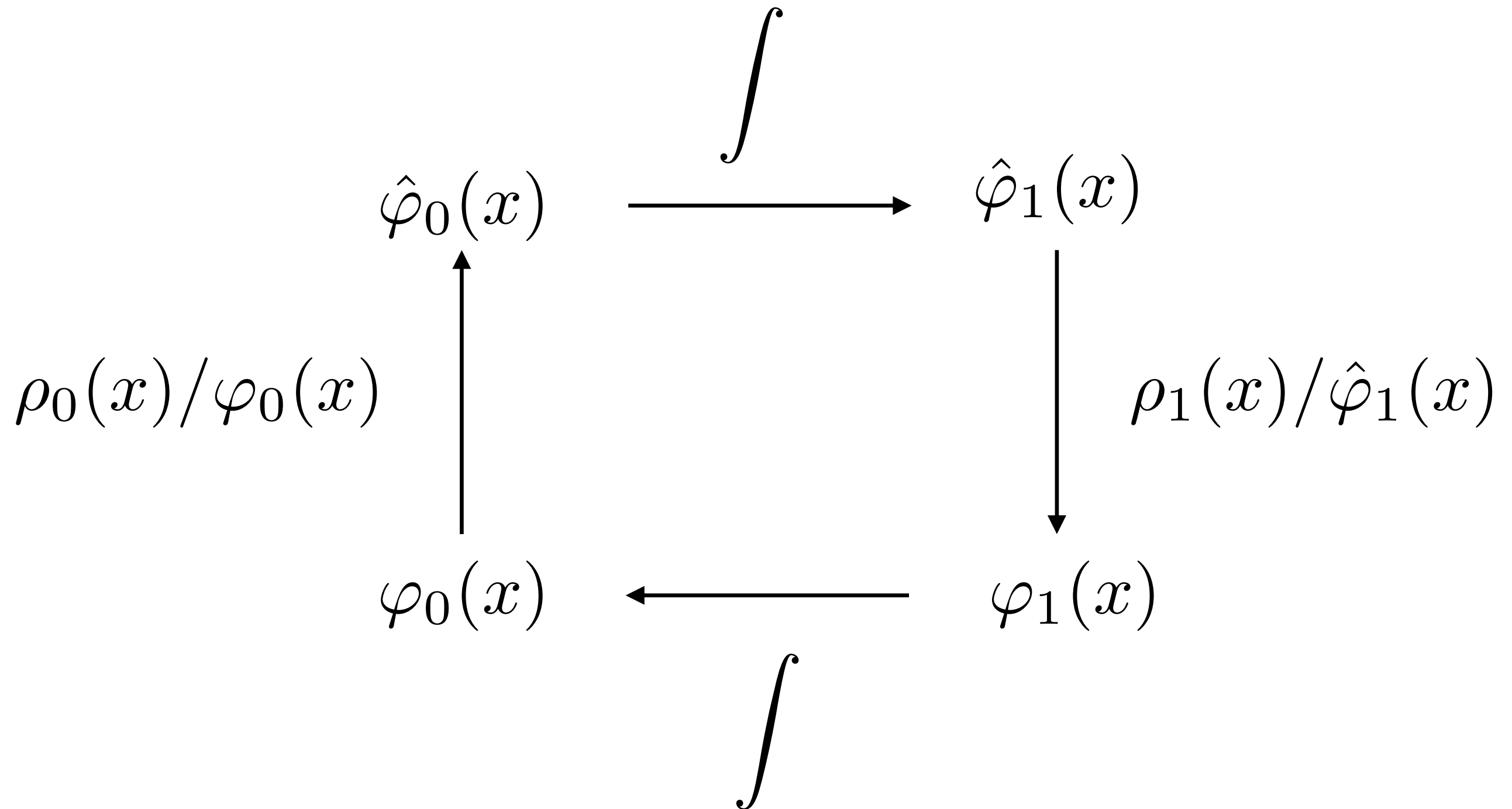
$$\underbrace{\frac{\partial \hat{\varphi}}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (\hat{\varphi} \mathbf{f}) + \epsilon \mathbf{1}^\top (\mathbf{D}(t) \odot \text{Hess}(\hat{\varphi})) \mathbf{1}}_{\text{forward Kolmogorov PDE}}, \quad \varphi_0 \hat{\varphi}_0 = \rho_0,$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} = -\langle \nabla \varphi, \mathbf{f} \rangle - \epsilon \langle \mathbf{D}(t), \text{Hess}(\varphi) \rangle}_{\text{backward Kolmogorov PDE}}, \quad \varphi_1 \hat{\varphi}_1 = \rho_1.$$

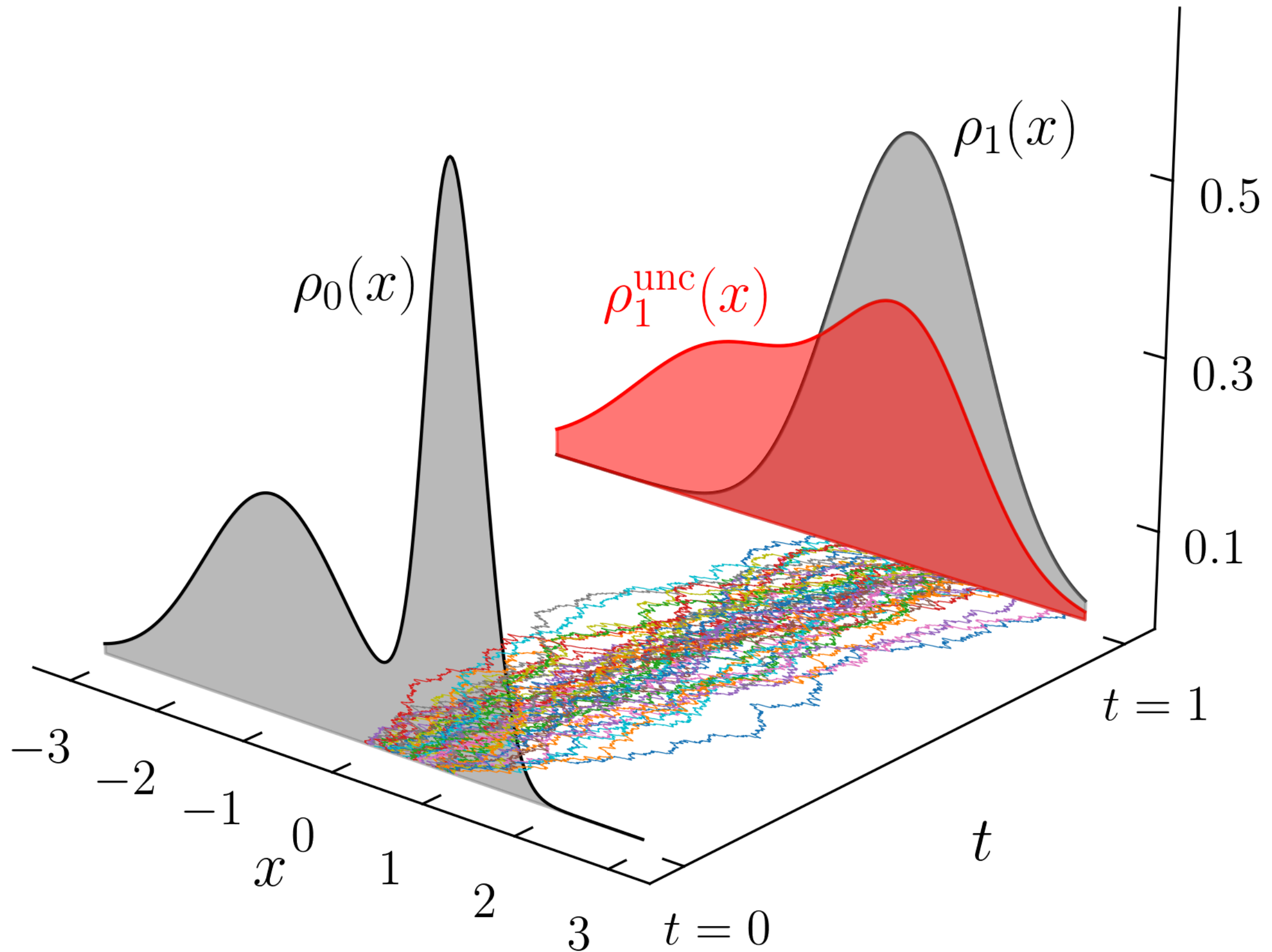
Wasserstein proximal algorithm \rightarrow fixed point recursion over $(\hat{\varphi}_0, \varphi_1)$

(Contractive in Hilbert metric)

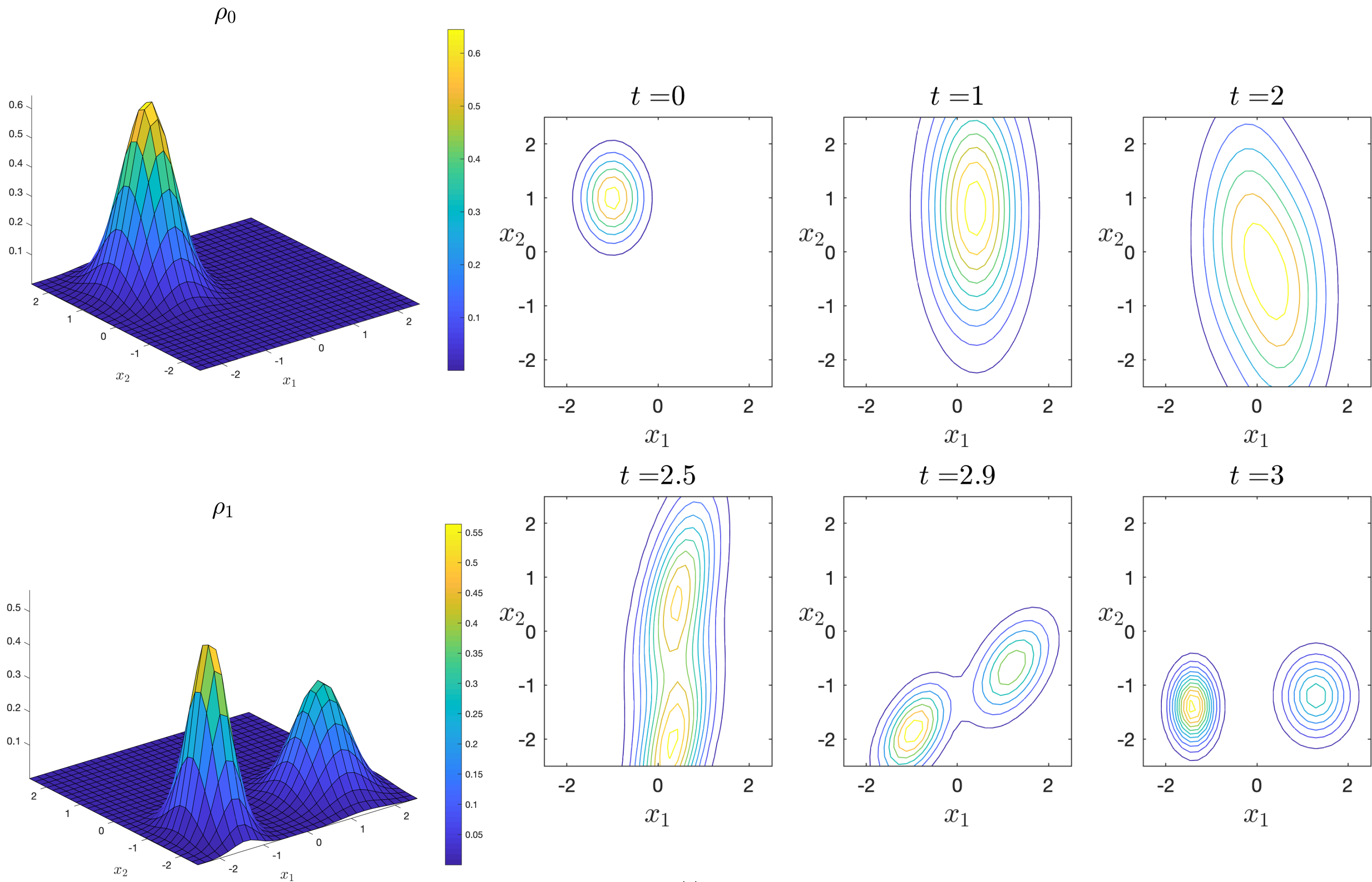
Fixed Point Recursion over $(\hat{\varphi}_0, \varphi_1)$



Feedback Density Control: Zero Prior Dynamics

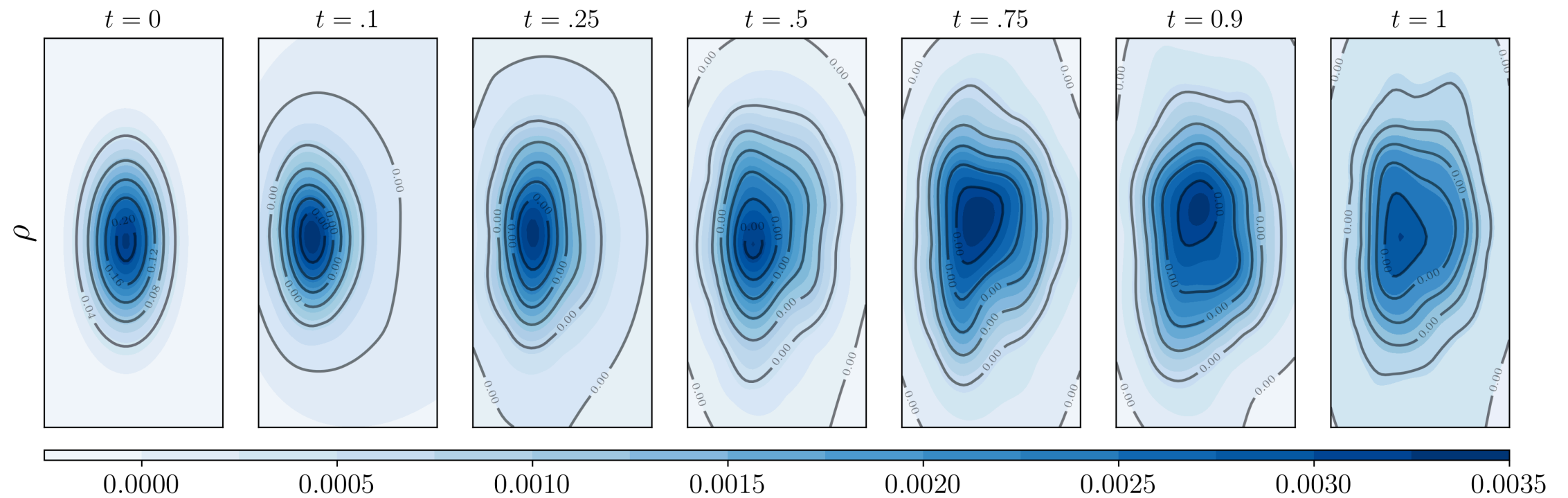


Feedback Density Control: LTI Prior Dynamics

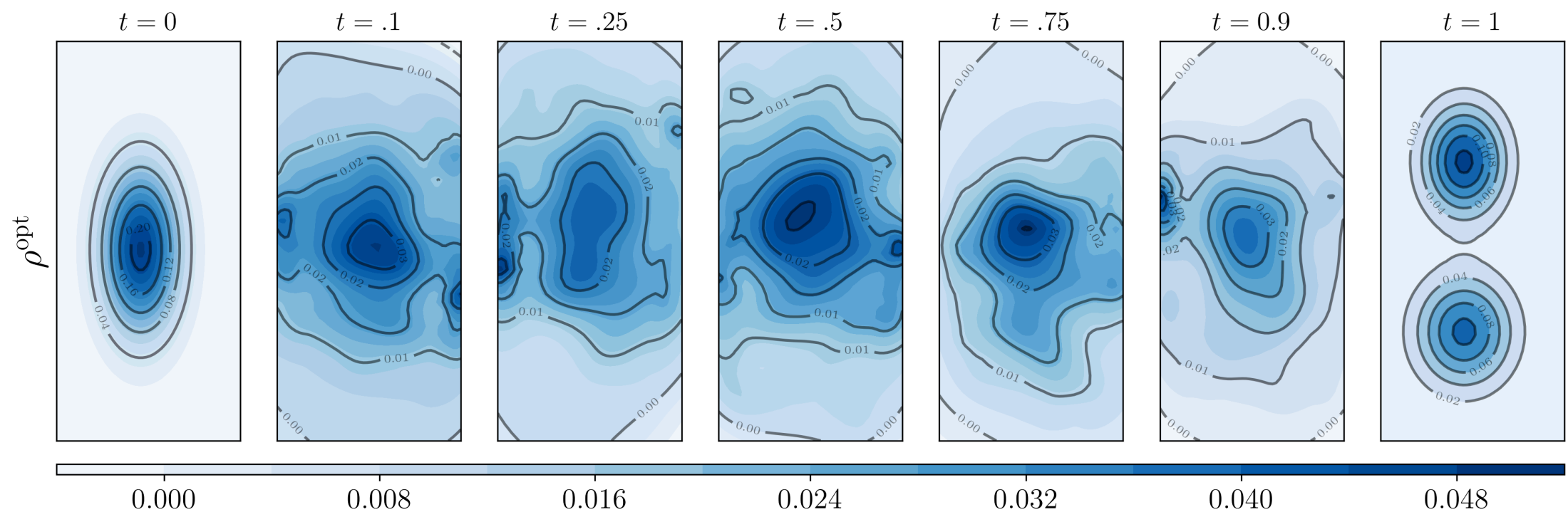


Feedback Density Control: Nonlinear Grad. Drift

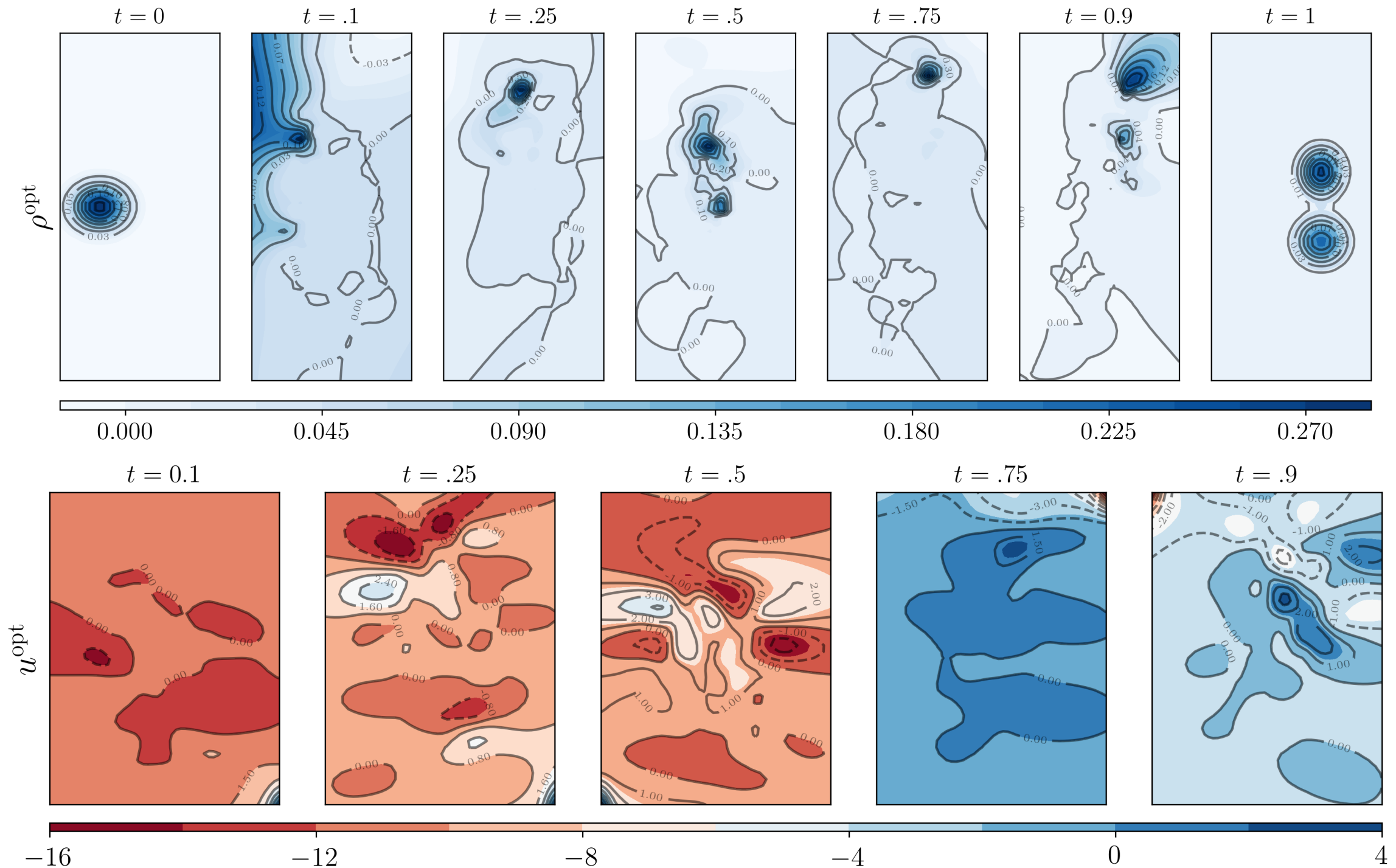
Uncontrolled joint PDF evolution:



Optimal controlled joint PDF evolution:

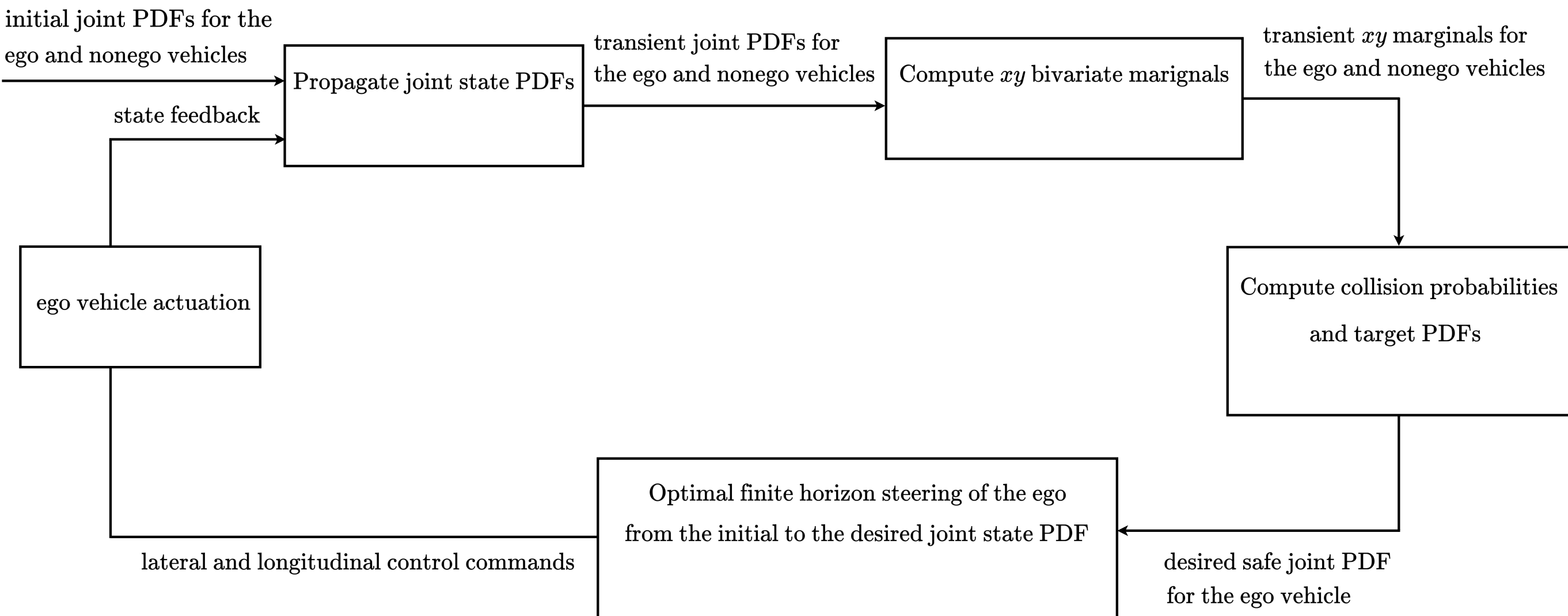


Feedback Density Control: Mixed Conservative-Dissipative Drift

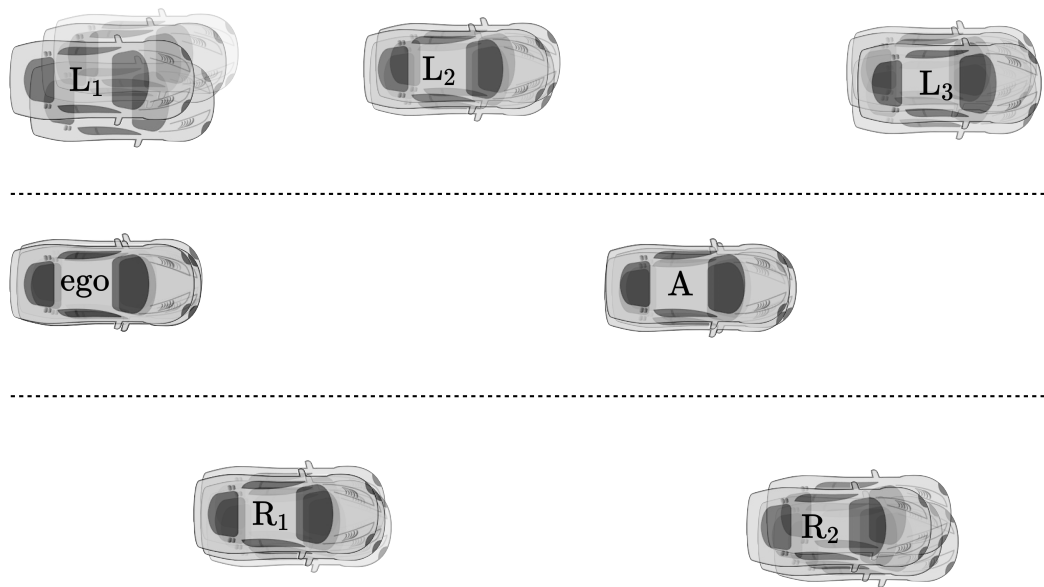


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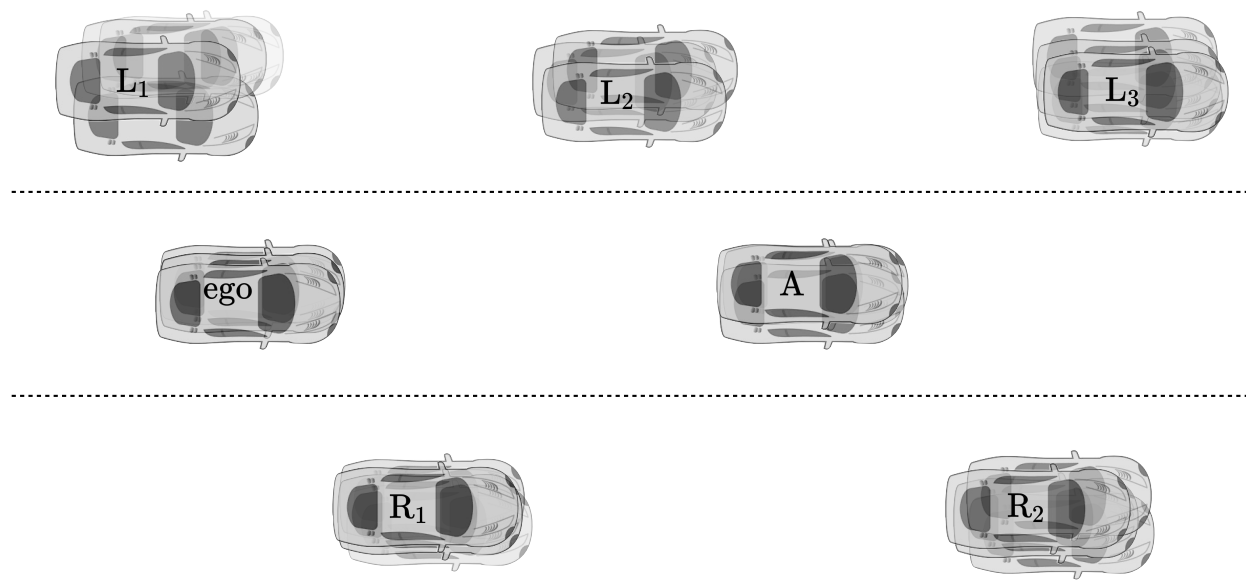
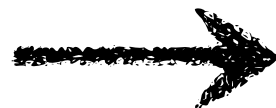
Application to Safe Automated Driving



Density Prediction for Safe Automated Driving

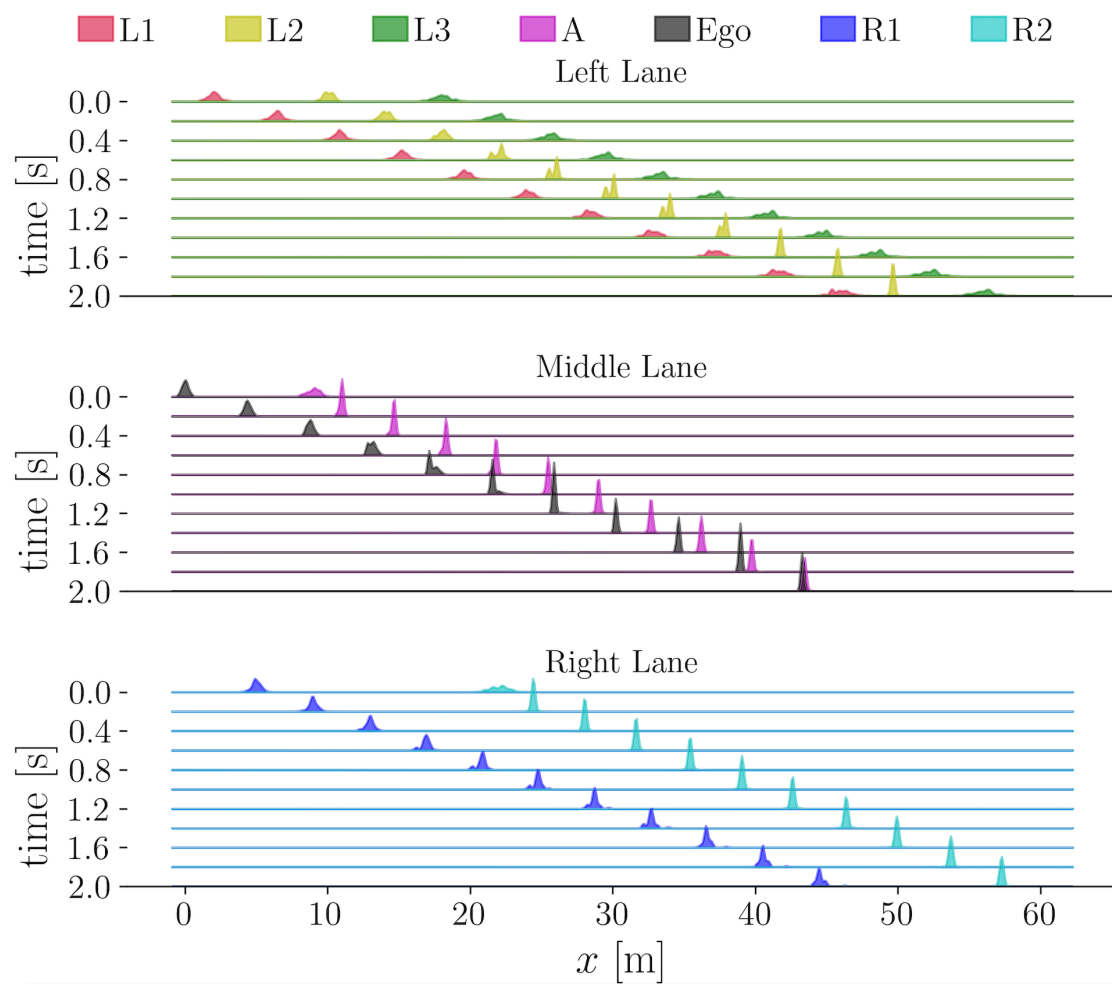


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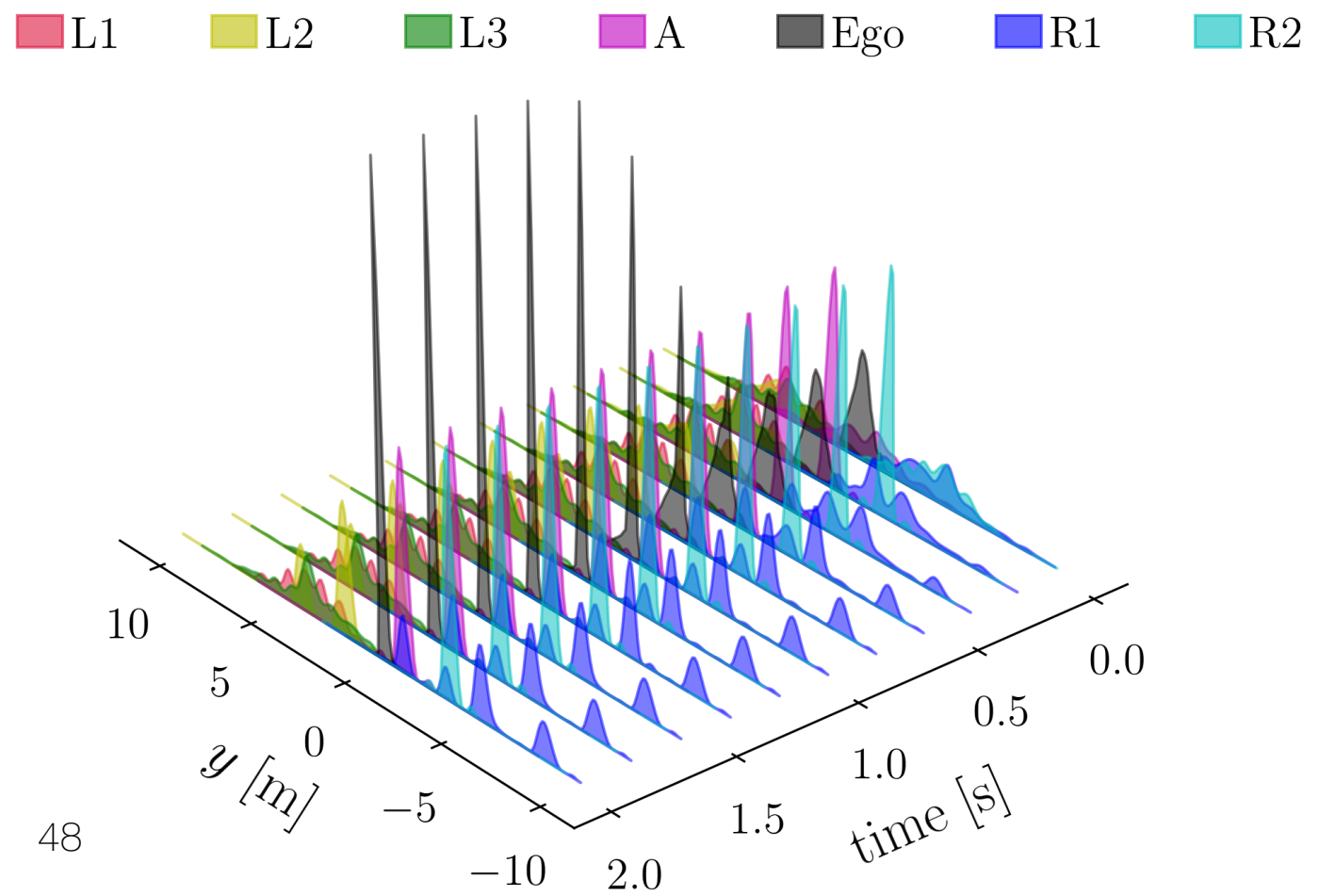


t_1

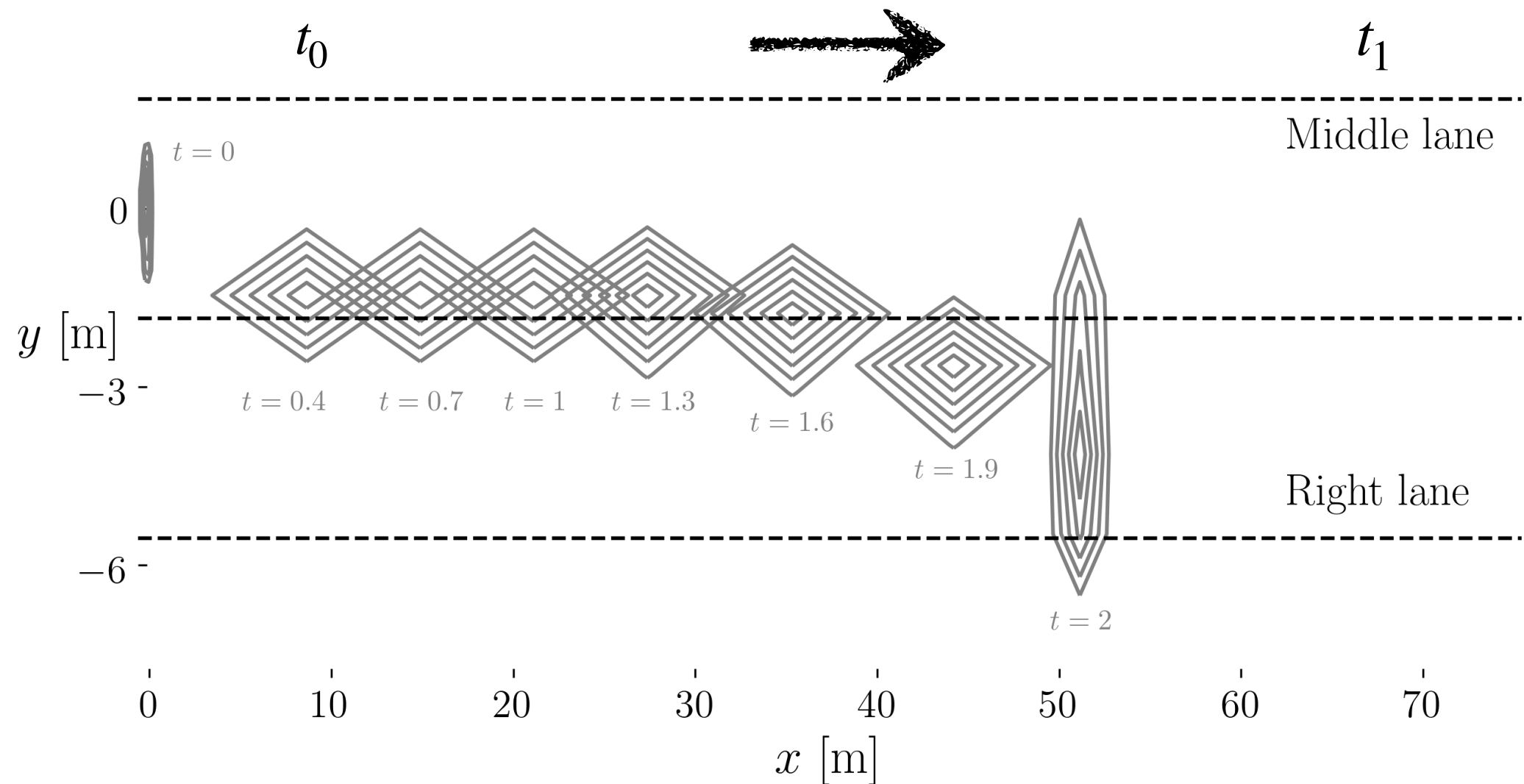
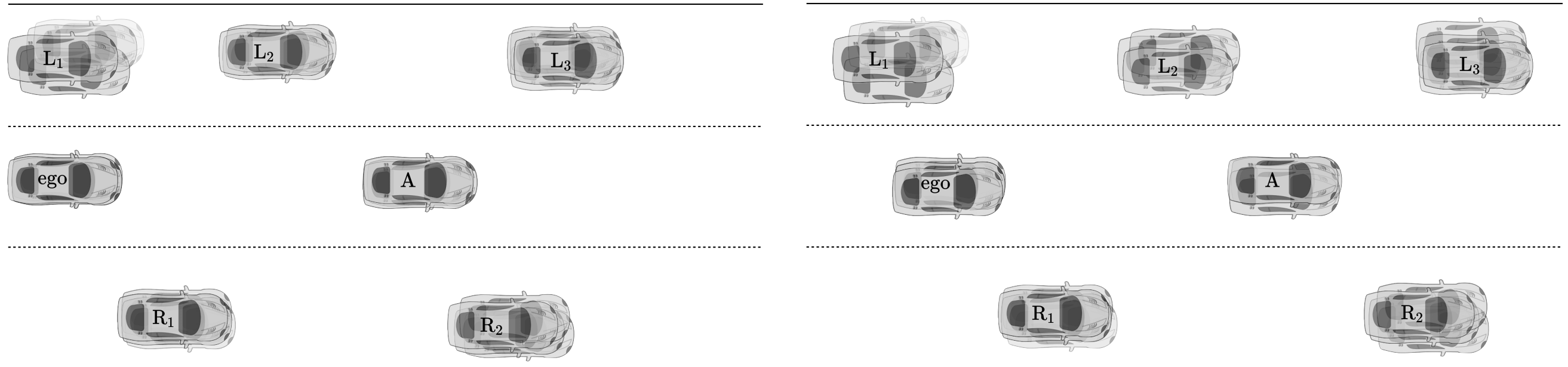
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