

Error Analysis of the Linear Feedback Particle Filter

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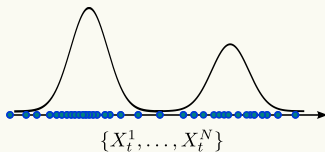
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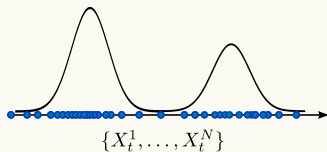
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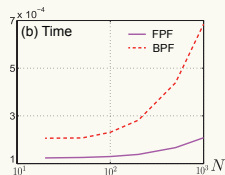
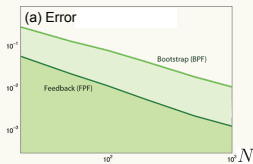
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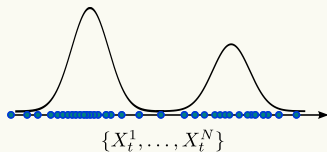
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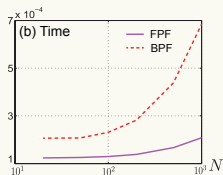
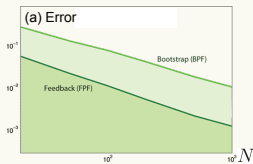
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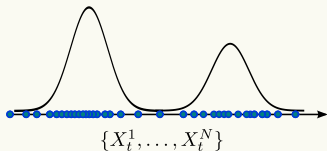
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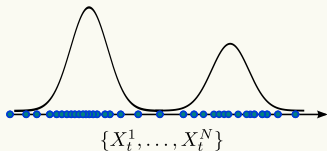


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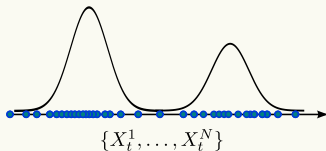


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- $\gamma_1 = 1, \gamma_2 = 1$: EnKF with perturbed observation: [Bergemann, et. al. 2012]
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Error analysis of the EnKF

- Discrete time: [Le Gland, 2009] [Mandel, 2011] [Kwiatkowski, 2015] [Kelly, 2014]
- Continuous time: [Del Moral, 2016, 2017] [Bishop, 2018] [De Wiljes, 2016]

Current result: Uniform in time $O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}\right)$ convergence under stability and full observation assumption



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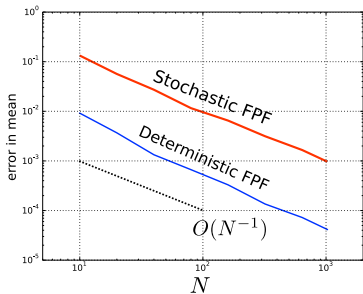
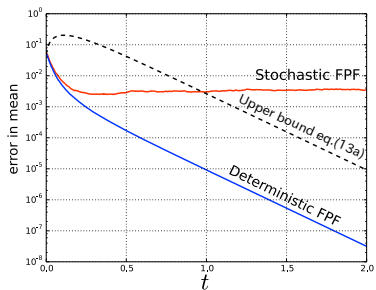
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Numerics





Convergence of the empirical distribution

Propagation of chaos

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Consider the deterministic linear FPF for the scalar case. Then, under assumptions (I) and (II),

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$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left|\frac{1}{N}\sum_{i=1}^N f(X_t^i) - \mathbb{E}[f(X_t)|Z_t]\right|^2\right] \leq \frac{(\text{const})}{N}, \quad \forall f \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^d)$$



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