

# Transform-based Particle Filtering for elliptic Bayesian inverse problems

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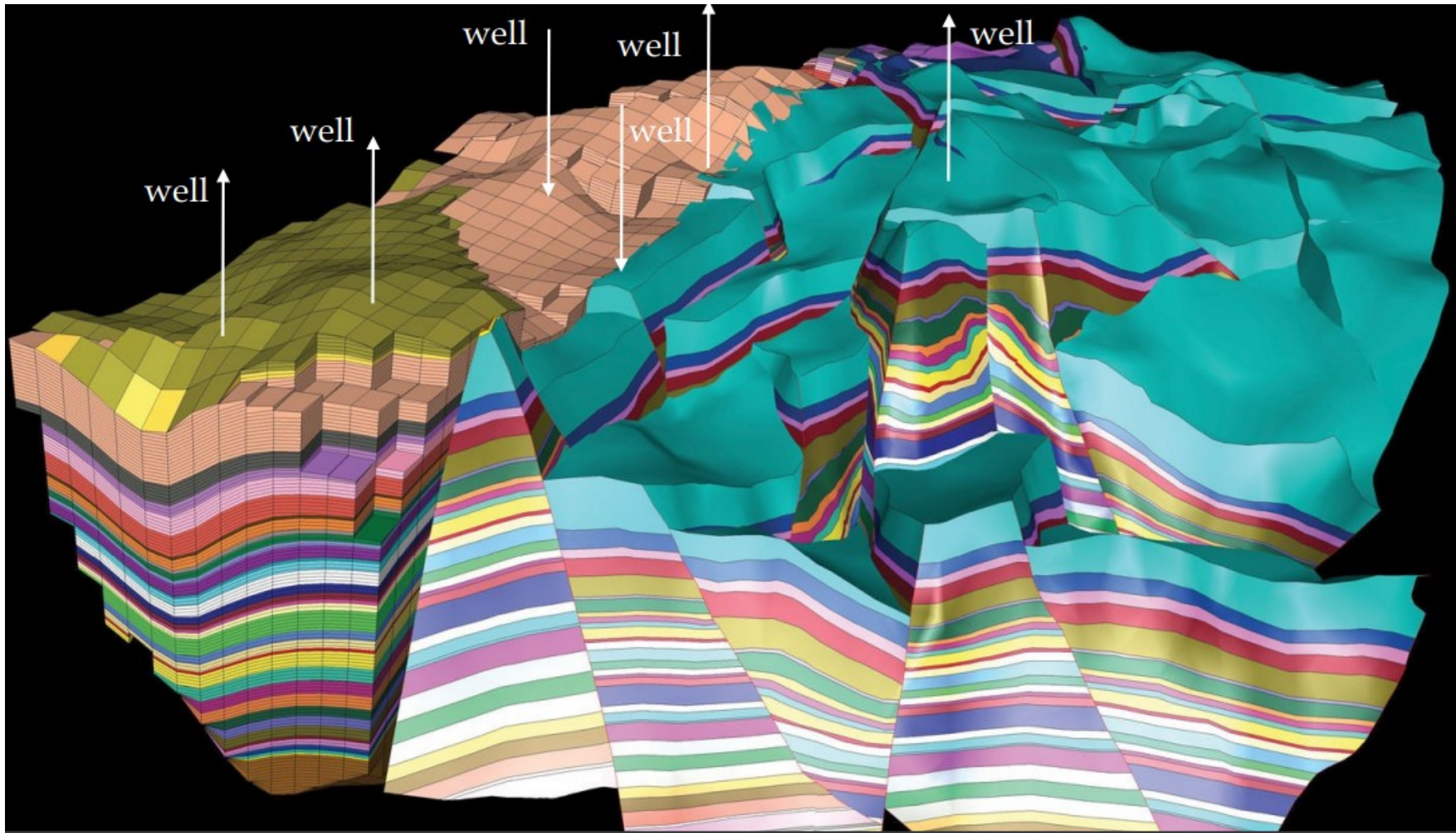
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# Overview

- Introduction to reservoir modeling
- Data assimilation
  - MCMC
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  - Ensemble Transform Particle filter
- Test Cases – Description and Results
- Conclusions

# Subsurface oil/gas reservoir



# Subsurface flow

A simple 2D model for subsurface flow is a diffusion equation

$$-\nabla \cdot (k(x) \nabla P(x)) = g(x), \quad x \in D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$$

- $k$ , the hydraulic conductivity of the subsurface,
- $g$ , source/sink terms,
- $P$ , the resulting pressure field of groundwater.

Lack of pressure data leads to uncertainty in the conductivity  $k$ .

# Data Assimilation

- Instead of a well-posed forward problem of finding pressure from certain permeability, we are faced with an ill-posed inverse problem of finding uncertain random variables from a few pressure measurements. This is an inverse problem of parameter identification.
- Uncertain parameters can be estimated by combining a solution of physical model with measurements by means of data assimilation.

# Data Assimilation: MCMC

- The golden standard is Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC).
- MCMC requires very large number of realisations of a model (samples /ensemble members), which is computationally unaffordable for high-dimensional systems.

*Brooks, S., Gelman, A., Jones, G. L. and Meng, X.-L., eds. (2011). Handbook of Markov Chain Monte Carlo. CRC Press, Boca Raton, FL.*

# Data Assimilation: Ensemble Kalman Filter

- Ensemble Kalman Filter (EnKF) became a standard data assimilation method in inverse modeling.
- EnKF assumes Gaussian probabilities, which might not be always the case.

*Evensen, G. (2006). Data Assimilation: The Ensemble Kalman Filter. Springer*

# Data Assimilation: TETPF

- We developed a Tempered Ensemble Transform Particle Filter (TETPF) that does not make such assumptions and applied it to inverse problems.

*S.Ruchi & S.Dubinkina (2018) and S.Ruchi, S. Dubinkina & M. Iglesias (2018).*

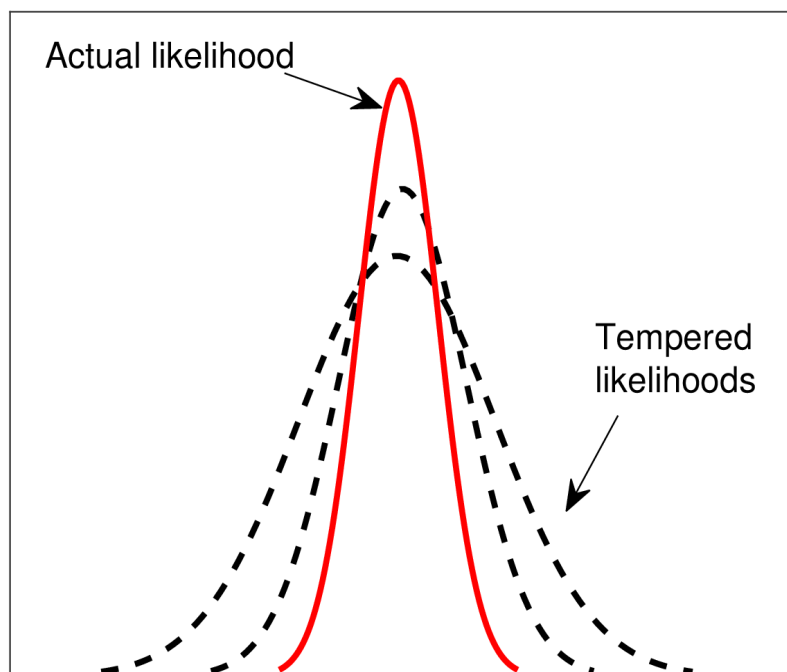
- It is based on a data assimilation method of S.Reich.

*S. Reich & C. Cotter. (2015). Probabilistic forecasting and data assimilation, Cambridge University Press.*



# Tempering

- Instead of jumping directly from prior to posterior, a smooth transition among the distribution can lead to stabilization of weights.



$$l(u_{n-1}, y)^{\phi_n - \phi_{n-1}} \propto \exp\left[-(y - h(u))^2 / 2\alpha\sigma^2\right]$$

$$\alpha_n = 1 / (\phi_n - \phi_{n-1})$$

$$\{\phi_n\}_{n=0}^q$$

$$0 < \phi_n < 1$$

$$ESS_n(\phi) = \left[ \sum_{i=1}^M (w_{n-1}(\phi))^2 \right]^{-1} = ESS_{thres}$$

# Mutation

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Select  $\beta \in (0, 1)$  and an integer  $N_\mu$ .

**for**  $j = 1, \dots, J$  **do**

Initialize  $\nu^{(j)}(0) = \hat{u}_n^{(j)}$

**while**  $\alpha \leq N_\mu$  **do**

(1) **pcN proposal.** Propose  $u_{\text{prop}}$  from

$$u_{\text{prop}} = \sqrt{1 - \beta^2} \nu^{(j)}(\alpha) + (1 - \sqrt{1 - \beta^2})m + \beta\xi, \quad \text{with } \xi \sim N(0, C)$$

(2) Set  $\nu^{(j)}(\alpha+1) = u_{\text{prop}}$  with probability  $a(\nu^{(j)}(\alpha), u)$  and  $\nu^{(j)}(\alpha+1) = \nu^{(j)}(\alpha)$

with probability  $1 - a(\nu^{(j)}(\alpha), u)$ , where

$$a(u, v) = \min \left\{ 1, \frac{l(u, y)^{\phi_n}}{l(v, y)^{\phi_n}} \right\}$$

(3)  $\alpha \leftarrow \alpha + 1$

**end while**

**end for**

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# TETPF-pCN

Let  $\{u_0^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^J \sim \mu_0$  be the initial ensemble of  $J$  particles.

Define the tunable parameters  $J_{\text{thresh}}$  and  $N_\mu$ .

Set  $n = 0$  and  $\phi_0 = 0$

**while**  $\phi_n < 1$  **do**

$n \rightarrow n + 1$

**Compute the likelihood**  $l(u_{n-1}^{(j)}, y)$  (for  $j = 1, \dots, J$ )

**Compute the tempering parameter**  $\phi_n$ :

**if**  $\min_{\phi \in (\phi_{n-1}, 1)} \text{ESS}_n(\phi) > J_{\text{thresh}}$  **then**

set  $\phi_n = 1$ .

**else**

compute  $\phi_n$  such that  $\text{ESS}_n(\phi) \approx J_{\text{thresh}}$

using a bisection algorithm on  $(\phi_{n-1}, 1]$ .

**end if**

**Computing weights** from expression  $W_n^{(j)} \equiv W_{n-1}^{(j)}[\phi_n]$

**Resample based on optimal transport.** Compute  $d_{ij} = \|u_{n-1}^{(i)} - u_{n-1}^{(j)}\|^2$  (for  $i, j = 1, \dots, J$ ). Supply  $\{d_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}^J$  and  $\{W_n^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^J$  to the Earth's moving distances algorithm of Pele & Werman. The output is the coupling  $\{T_{ij}^*\}_{i,j=1}^J$ .

Compute new samples  $\hat{u}_n^{(j)}$  and set  $W_n^{(j)} = \frac{1}{J}$ .

**Mutation.** Sample  $u_n^{(j)} \sim \mathcal{K}_n(\hat{u}_n^{(j)}, \cdot)$

**end while**

Approximate  $\mu_n$  by  $\mu_n^J \equiv \frac{1}{J} \sum_{j=1}^J \delta_{u_n^{(j)}}$

# Test Case I: Gaussian probability

Assume a steady-state single-phase 2D model for subsurface flow

$$-\nabla \cdot (k(x) \nabla P(x)) = g(x), \quad x = (x_1, x_2) \in D$$

- the physical domain,  $D = [0, 6] \times [0, 6]$

- $g(x_1, x_2) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 < x_2 < 4 \\ 137 & \text{if } 4 < x_2 < 5 \\ 274 & \text{if } 5 < x_2 < 6 \end{cases}$

- boundary conditions,  $P(x_1, 0) = 100; \frac{\partial P}{\partial x}(6, x_2) = 0;$

$$-k \frac{\partial P}{\partial x}(0, x_2) = 500; \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}(x_1, 6) = 0$$

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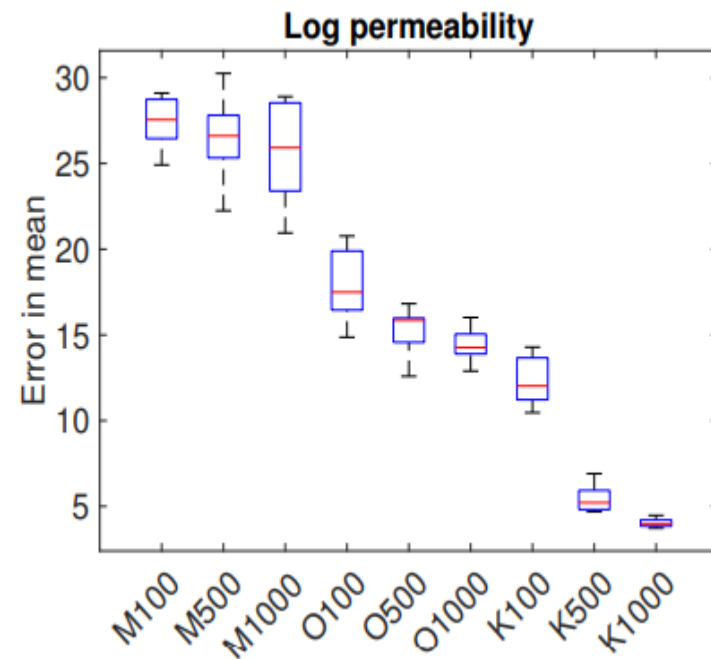
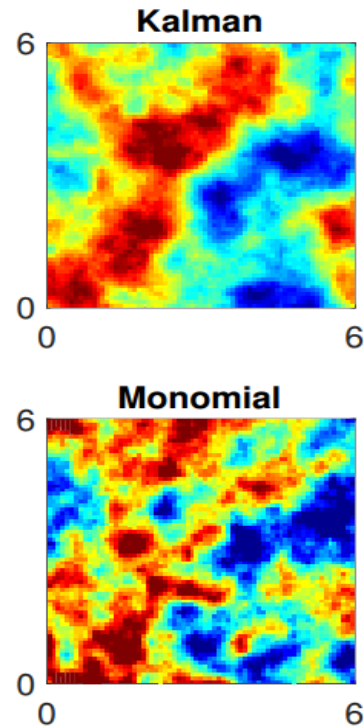
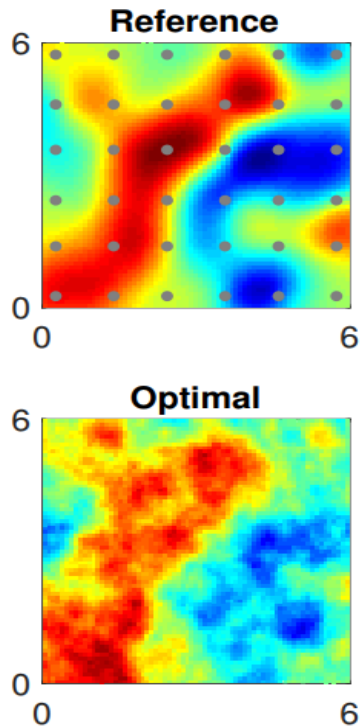
- We consider smoothed point observation defined by

$$\ell_i(p) = \frac{1}{2\pi\varepsilon^2} \int_D \exp\left(\frac{-|x - x_j^2|}{2\varepsilon^2}\right) P(x) dx$$

and define a forward map by  $G(k) = (\ell_1(p), \dots, \ell_M(p))$

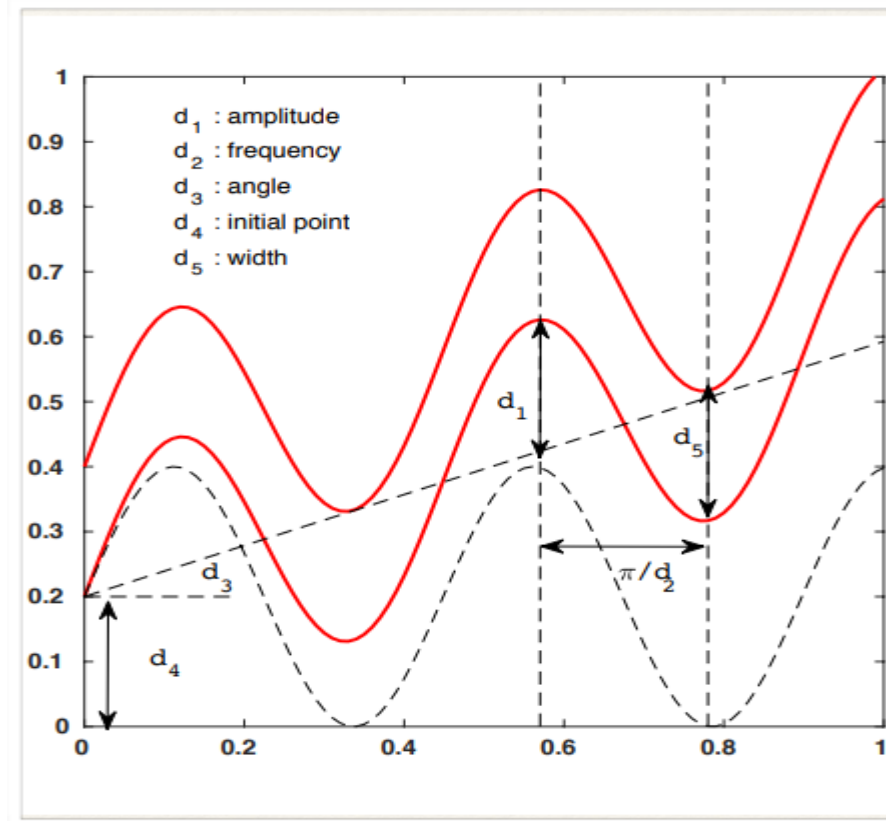
- For this model we simply consider the parameter as natural logarithm of  $k$ , i.e.  $u(x) = \log k(x)$
- We consider Gaussian distributed log permeability.

# Test Case I: Gaussian probability



- EnKF gives more accurate estimations of the mean field than TETPF.

# Test Case II: Bimodal probability



- We consider a channelized domain: a channel with different permeability is situated in the domain.

# Test Case II: Bimodal probability

- This model consists of parameterization of permeability of the form

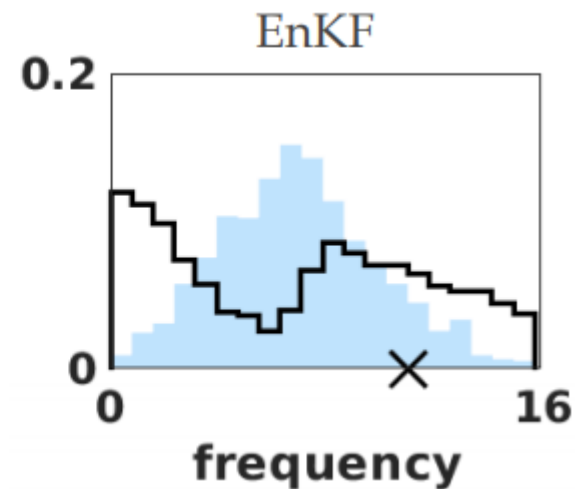
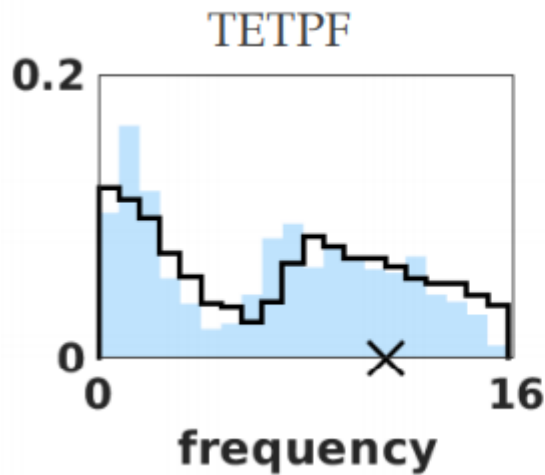
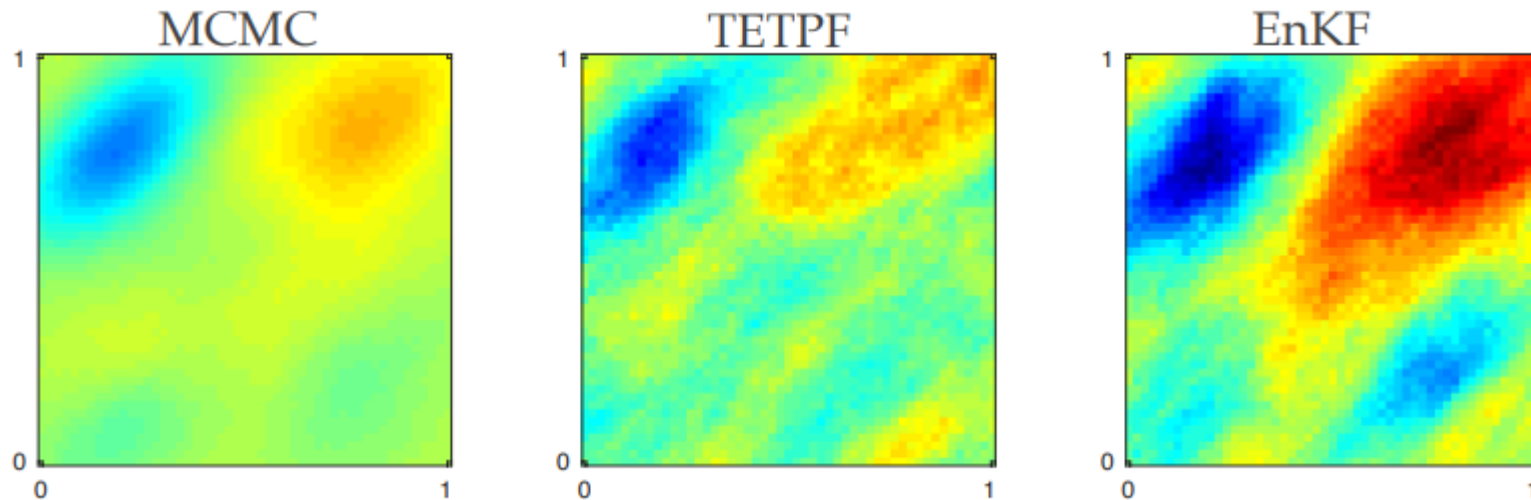
$$k(x) = \exp(u_1(x))\chi_{D_i}(x) + \exp(u_2(x))\chi_{D_o}(x)$$

where  $k_1 = \exp(u_1(x))$ ;  $k_2 = \exp(u_2(x))$

- The geometry of the channel is parameterized by five parameters  $\{d_i\}_{i=1}^5$ ; amplitude, frequency, angle, initial point, width.
- The lower boundary of channel is;  $x_2 = d_1 \sin(d_2 x_1) + \tan(d_3) x_1 + d_4$   
and the upper boundary is  $x_2 + d_5$ .
- the parameters of interest are comprised in  $u = (d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4, d_5, u_1, u_2)$



# Test Case II: Bimodal probability



# Conclusions

Accurate estimations can be obtained by

- EnKF, when everything is Gaussian;
- MCMC, when everything is low-dimensional.
- TETPF, when everything is high-dimensional and non-Gaussian.

**Questions?**