

A Distributed Algorithm for Measure-valued Optimization with Additive Objective

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Measure-valued Optimization Problems

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

Space of Borel probability measures
on \mathbb{R}^d with finite second moments

2-Wasserstein geodesically
convex functional

In many applications, we have additive structure:

$$F(\mu) = F_1(\mu) + F_2(\mu) + \dots + F_n(\mu)$$

where each $F_i : \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}^d) \mapsto (-\infty, +\infty]$ is proper, lsc,
and 2-Wasserstein geodesically convex

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Wasserstein proximal recursion à la Jordan-Kinderlehrer-Otto (JKO) scheme

Gradient Flows

Gradient Flow in \mathcal{X}

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

Recursion:

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

Convergence:

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

f as Lyapunov function:

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

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

$$\frac{\partial \mu}{\partial t} = -\nabla^W F(\mu), \quad \mu(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \mu_0$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \mu_k &= \mu(\cdot, t = kh) \\ &= \arg \min_{\mu \in \mathcal{P}_2(\mathcal{X})} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} W^2(\mu, \mu_{k-1}) + hF(\mu) \right\} \\ &=: \text{prox}_{hF}^W(\mu_{k-1}) \end{aligned}$$

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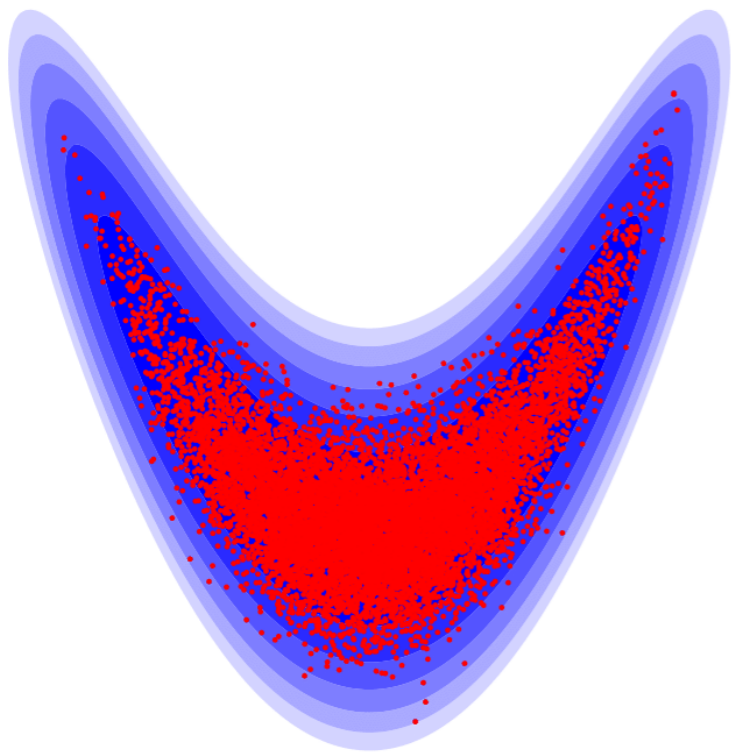
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$$\frac{d}{dt} F = -\mathbb{E}_\mu \left[\left\| \nabla \frac{\delta F}{\delta \mu} \right\|_2^2 \right] \leq 0$$

Motivating Applications

Langevin sampling from an unnormalized prior



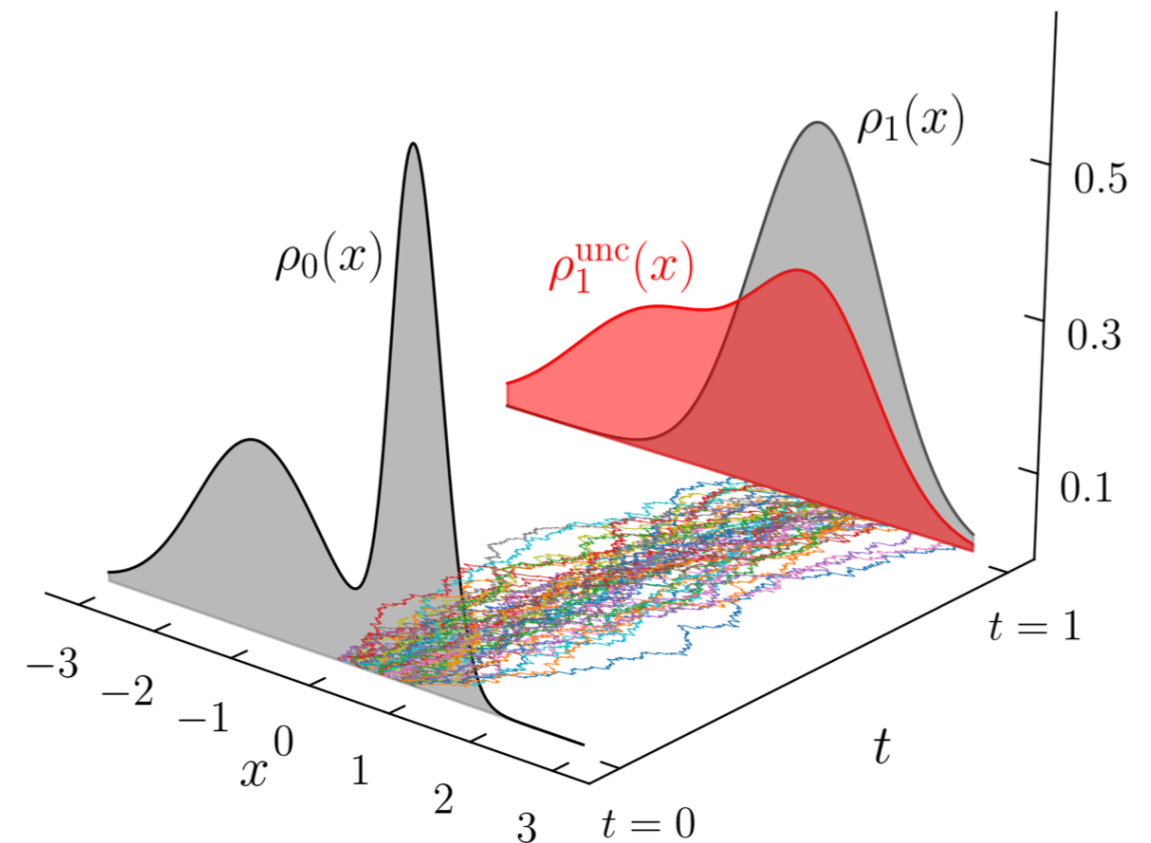
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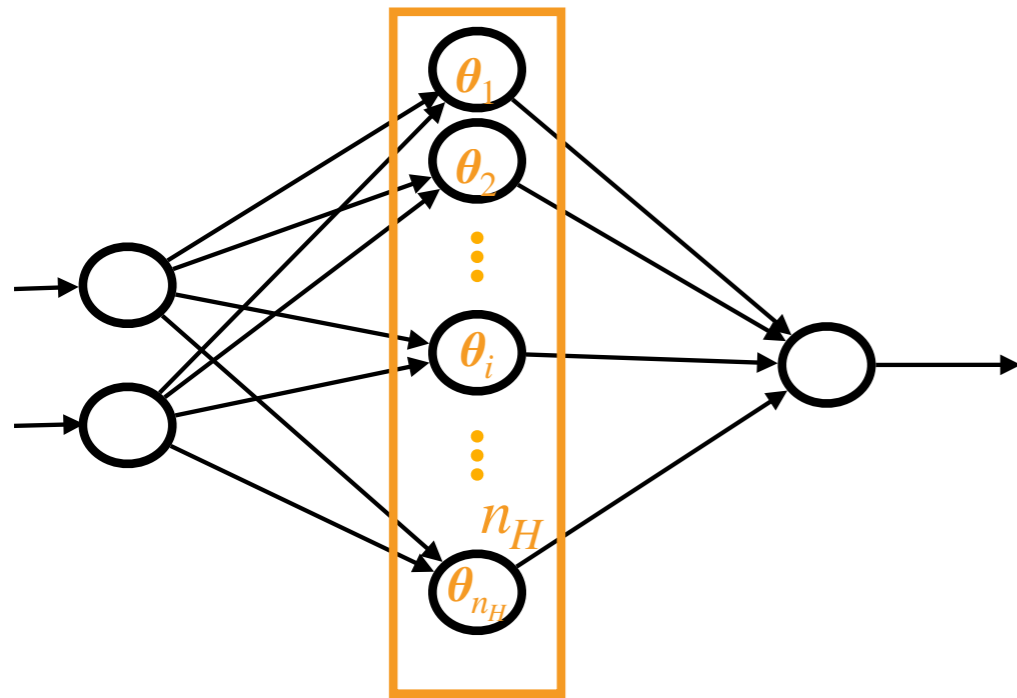
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Motivating Applications (contd.)

Mean field learning dynamics
in neural networks



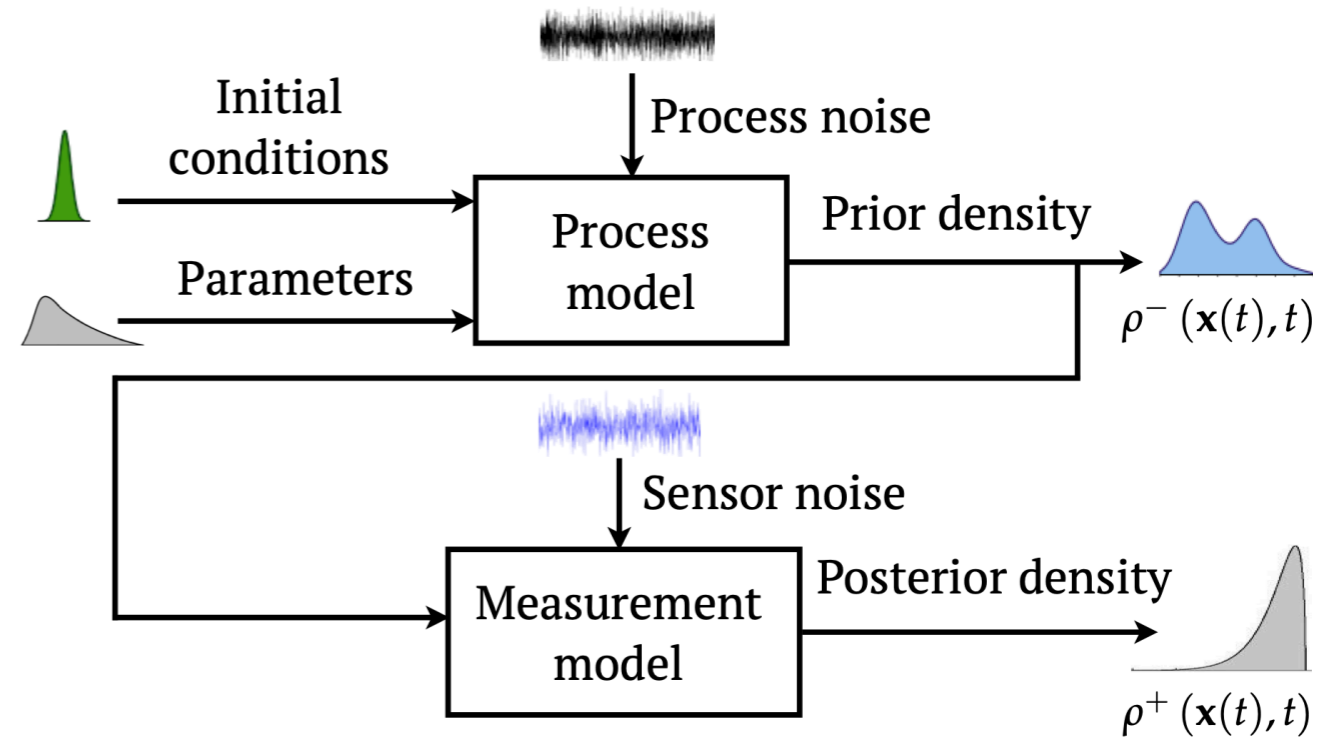
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Prediction and estimation of time-varying
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Define Wasserstein augmented Lagrangian:

$$L_\alpha(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n, \zeta, \nu_1, \dots, \nu_n) := \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ F_i(\mu_i) + \frac{\alpha}{2} W^2(\mu_i, \zeta) + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \nu_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}) (\mathrm{d}\mu_i - \mathrm{d}\zeta) \right\}$$

regularization > 0

Lagrange multipliers

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Define

$$\nu_{\text{sum}}^k(\boldsymbol{\theta}) := \sum_{i=1}^n \nu_i^k(\boldsymbol{\theta}), \quad k \in \mathbb{N}_0$$

and simplify the recursions to

$$\mu_i^{k+1} = \text{prox}_{\frac{1}{\alpha}(F_i(\cdot) + \int \nu_i^k d(\cdot))}^W(\zeta^k)$$

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Examples:

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

Discrete Version of the Proposed ADMM

$$\begin{aligned}
 \boldsymbol{\mu}_i^{k+1} &= \text{prox}_{\frac{1}{\alpha}}^W (F_i(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i) + \langle \boldsymbol{\nu}_i^k, \boldsymbol{\mu}_i \rangle) (\boldsymbol{\zeta}^k) \\
 &= \arg \inf_{\boldsymbol{\mu}_i \in \Delta^{N-1}} \left\{ \min_{\boldsymbol{M} \in \Pi_N(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i, \boldsymbol{\zeta}^k)} \frac{1}{2} \langle \mathbf{C}, \boldsymbol{M} \rangle + \frac{1}{\alpha} (F_i(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i) + \langle \boldsymbol{\nu}_i^k, \boldsymbol{\mu}_i \rangle) \right\} \\
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Euclidean distance matrix

where N is the number of samples

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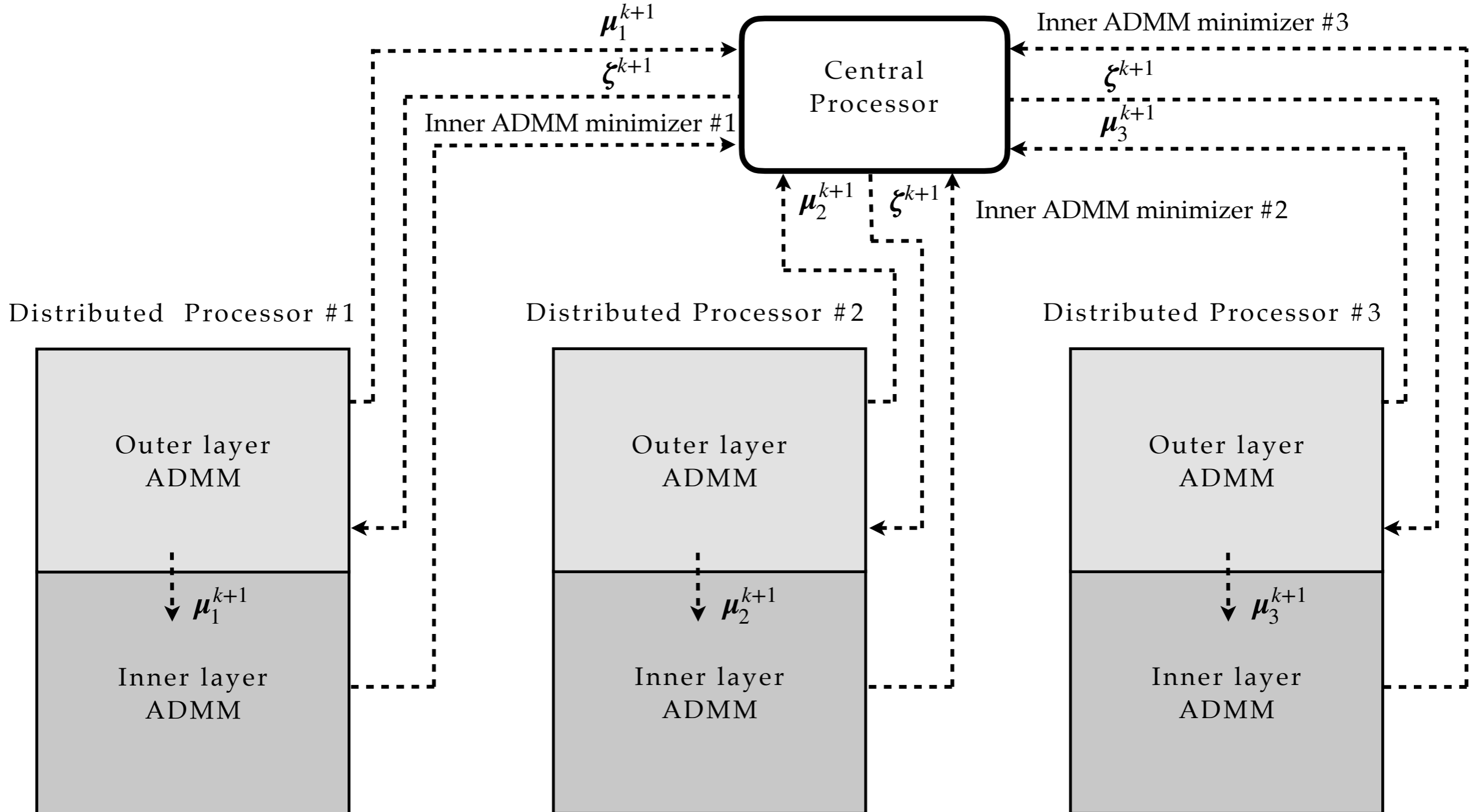
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Overall Schematic



μ_i update \rightsquigarrow Outer Consensus (Sinkhorn) ADMM

Example. $\Phi(\boldsymbol{\mu}) := \langle \mathbf{a}, \boldsymbol{\mu} \rangle$, $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^N \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}$, $\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\zeta} \in \Delta^{N-1}$, $\Gamma := \exp(-\mathbf{C}/2\varepsilon)$, $\varepsilon > 0$

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Example. $G_i(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i) := \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Convex}}}{F_i(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i)} + \langle \boldsymbol{\nu}_i^k, \boldsymbol{\mu}_i \rangle$, $\boldsymbol{\zeta}^k \in \Delta^{N-1}$, $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_i^{k+1} = \text{prox}_{\frac{W_\varepsilon}{\alpha}(F_i(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i) + \langle \boldsymbol{\nu}_i^k, \boldsymbol{\mu}_i \rangle)}(\boldsymbol{\zeta}^k) = \exp\left(\frac{\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{1i}^{\text{opt}}}{\alpha\varepsilon}\right) \odot \left(\exp\left(-\frac{\mathbf{C}^\top}{2\varepsilon}\right) \exp\left(\frac{\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{0i}^{\text{opt}}}{\alpha\varepsilon}\right) \right)$$

where $\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{0i}^{\text{opt}}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{1i}^{\text{opt}} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ solve

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ζ update \rightsquigarrow Inner (Euclidean) ADMM

Theorem.

Consider the convex problem

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{u}_1^{\text{opt}}, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n^{\text{opt}}) &= \arg \min_{(\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{nN}} \sum_{i=1}^n \langle \boldsymbol{\mu}_i^{k+1}, \log(\Gamma \exp(\mathbf{u}_i/\varepsilon)) \rangle \\ &\text{subject to } \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{u}_i = \frac{2}{\alpha} \boldsymbol{\nu}_{\text{sum}}^k. \end{aligned} \quad (\heartsuit)$$

Then

$$\zeta^{k+1} = \exp(\mathbf{u}_i^{\text{opt}}/\varepsilon) \odot (\Gamma(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i^{k+1} \oslash (\Gamma \exp(\mathbf{u}_i^{\text{opt}}/\varepsilon)))) \in \Delta^{N-1} \quad \forall i \in [n].$$

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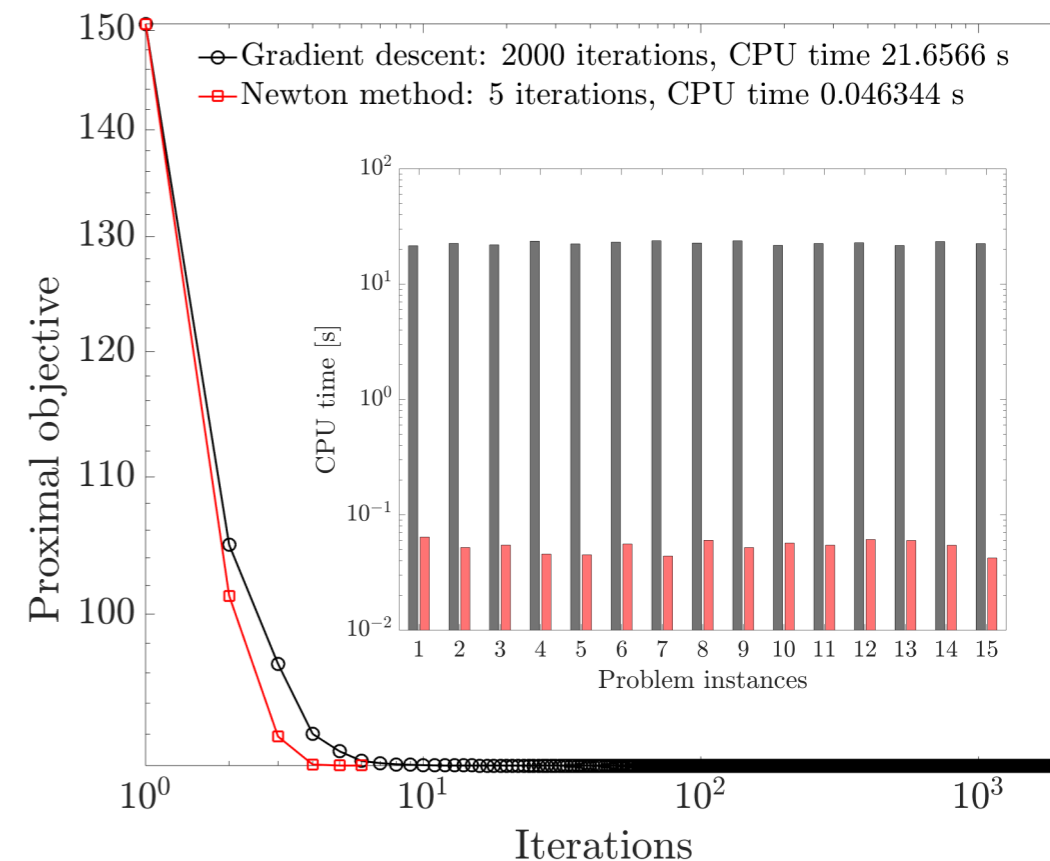
Let $f_i(\mathbf{u}_i) := \langle \boldsymbol{\mu}_i^{k+1}, \log(\boldsymbol{\Gamma} \exp(\mathbf{u}_i/\varepsilon)) \rangle$, $\mathbf{u}_i \in \mathbb{R}^N$, for all $i \in [n]$,

Then the following Euclidean ADMM solves (♥)

$$\mathbf{u}_i^{\ell+1} = \text{prox}_{\frac{\|\cdot\|_2}{\tau} f_i}(\mathbf{z}_i^\ell - \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i^\ell) \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{No analytical solution, use e.g.,} \\ \text{Newton's method (has structured Hess)} \end{array}$$

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

$$\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i^{\ell+1} = \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i^\ell + (\mathbf{u}_i^{\ell+1} - \mathbf{z}_i^{\ell+1})$$



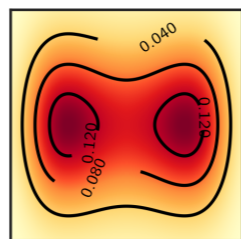
Experiment #1

Linear Fokker-Planck-Kolmogorov PDE

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

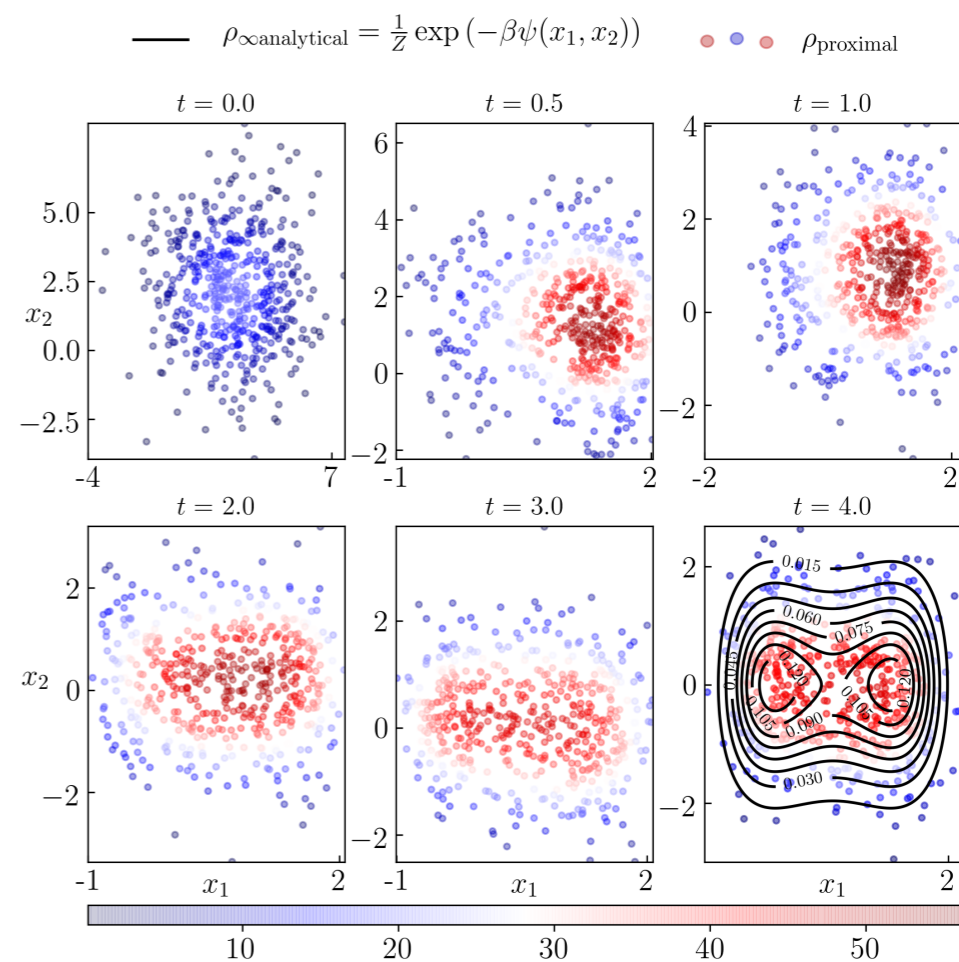
$$V(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{4} (1 + x_1^4) + \frac{1}{2} (x_2^2 - x_1^2)$$

$$\mu_\infty \propto \exp(-\beta V(x_1, x_2)) dx_1 dx_2$$



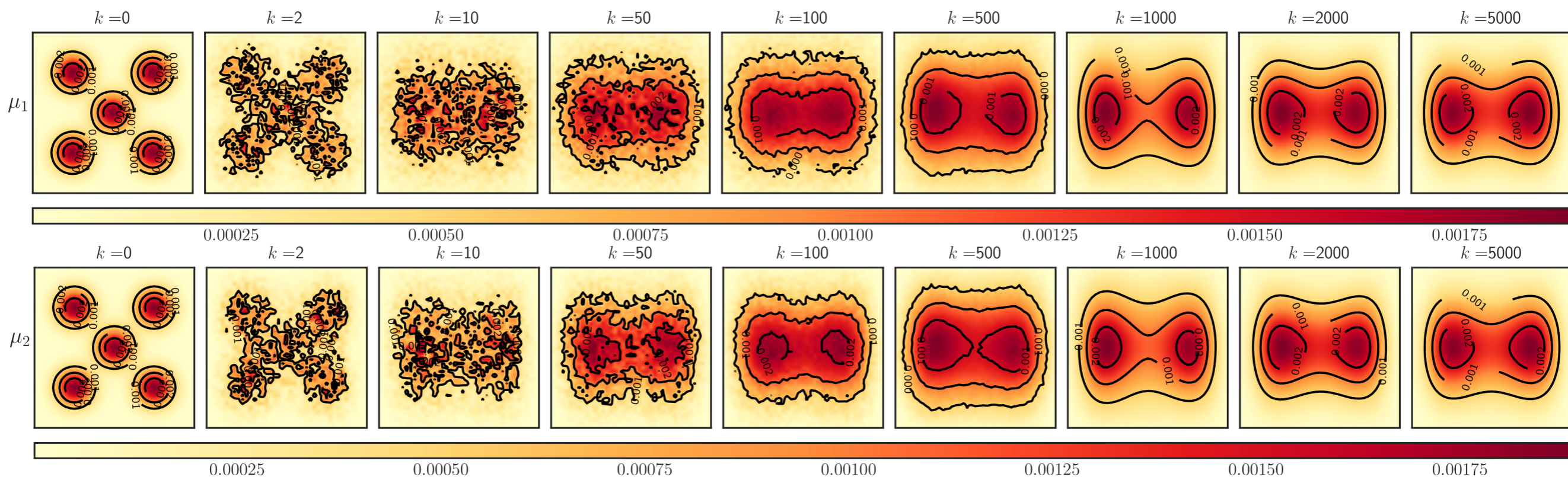
Centralized computation:

Caluya and Halder, *IEEE Trans. Automatic Control*, 2019



Distributed computation:

$$F_1(\mu) = \langle \mathbf{V}_k, \mu \rangle \quad F_2(\mu) = \langle \beta^{-1} \log \mu, \mu \rangle$$



Experiment # 2

Aggregation-drift-diffusion nonlinear PDE

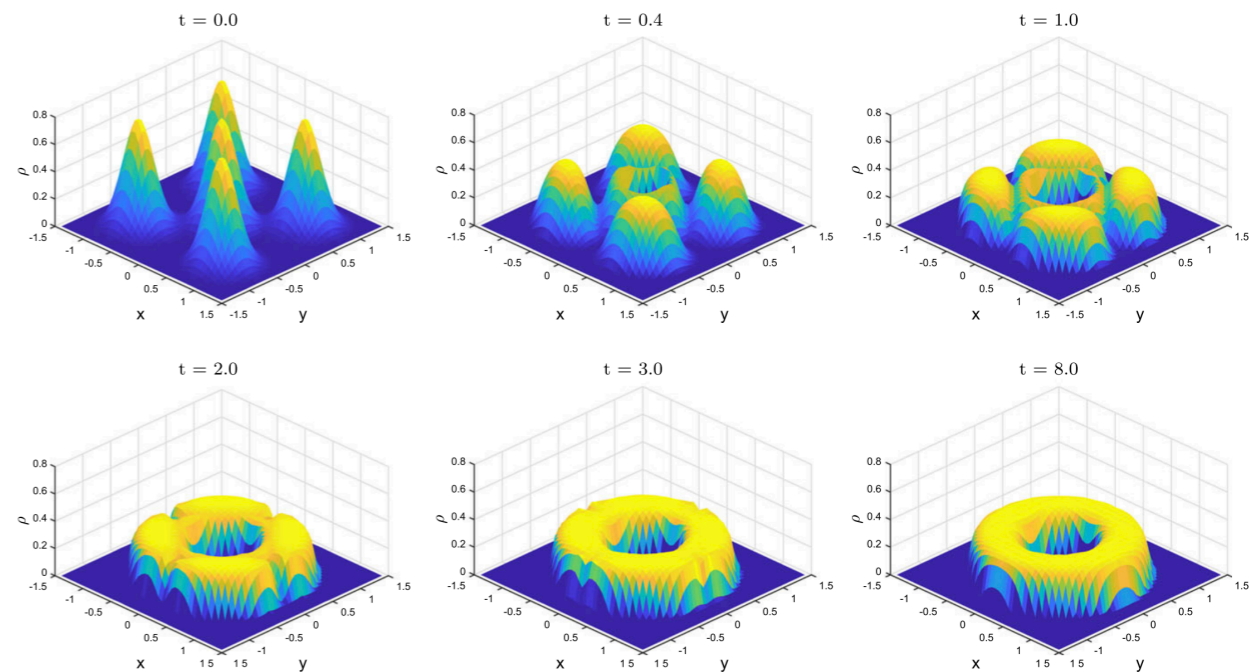
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$$U(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 - \ln \|\mathbf{x}\|_2$$

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Centralized computation:

Carrillo, Craig, Wang and Wei, *FOCM*, 2021

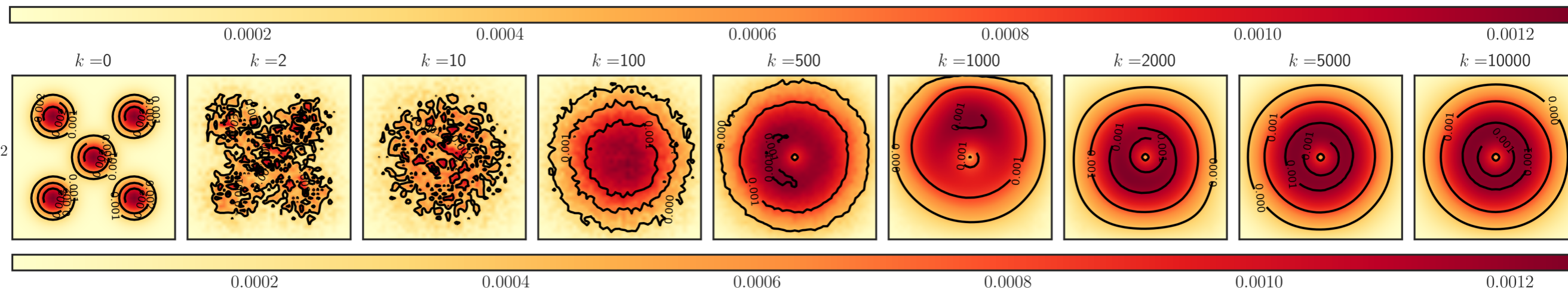
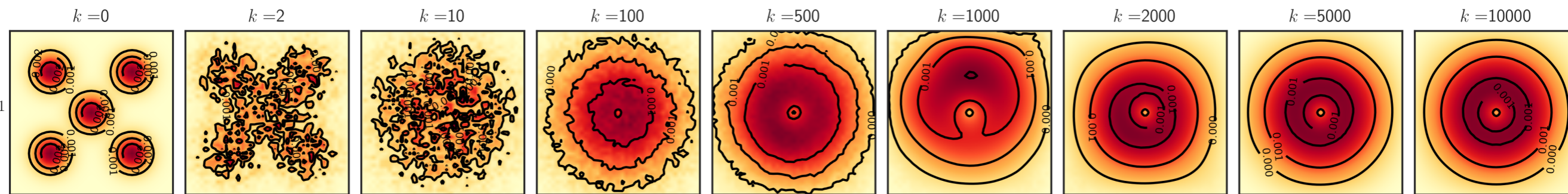


$$\lim_{\beta^{-1} \downarrow 0} \mu_\infty = \text{Unif}(\mathcal{A})$$

Annulus with inner radius 1/2 and outer radius $\sqrt{5}/2$

Distributed computation:

$$F_1(\mu) = \langle U_k \mu, \mu \rangle \quad F_2(\mu) = \langle V_k + \beta^{-1} \log \mu, \mu \rangle$$



Experiment # 2 (contd.)

Aggregation-drift-diffusion nonlinear PDE

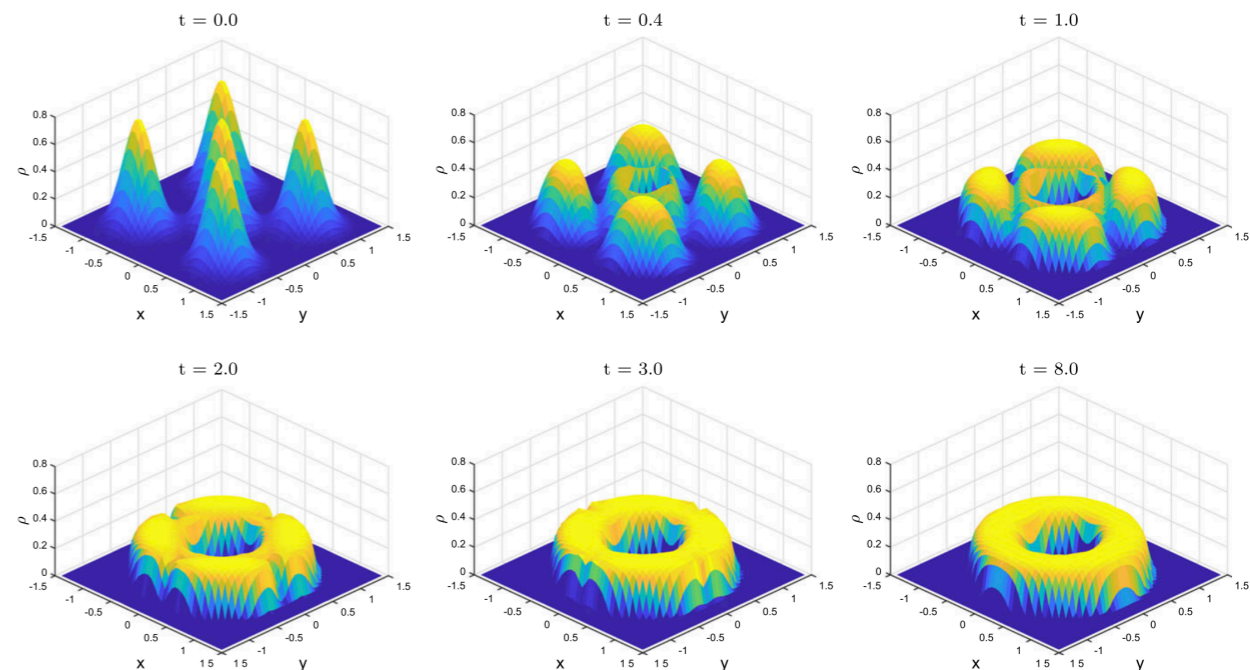
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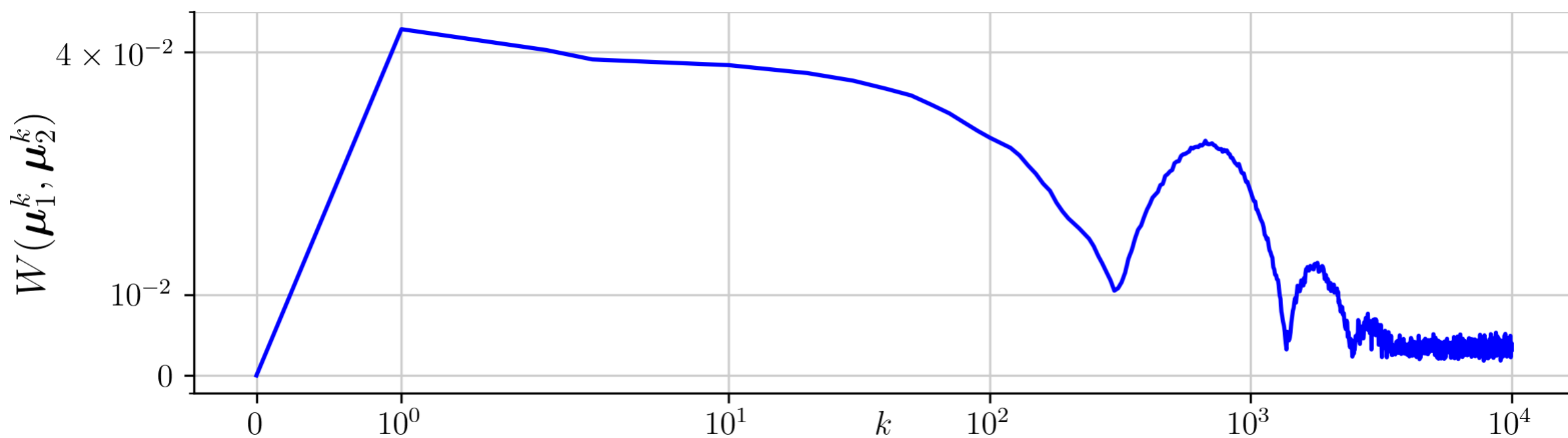


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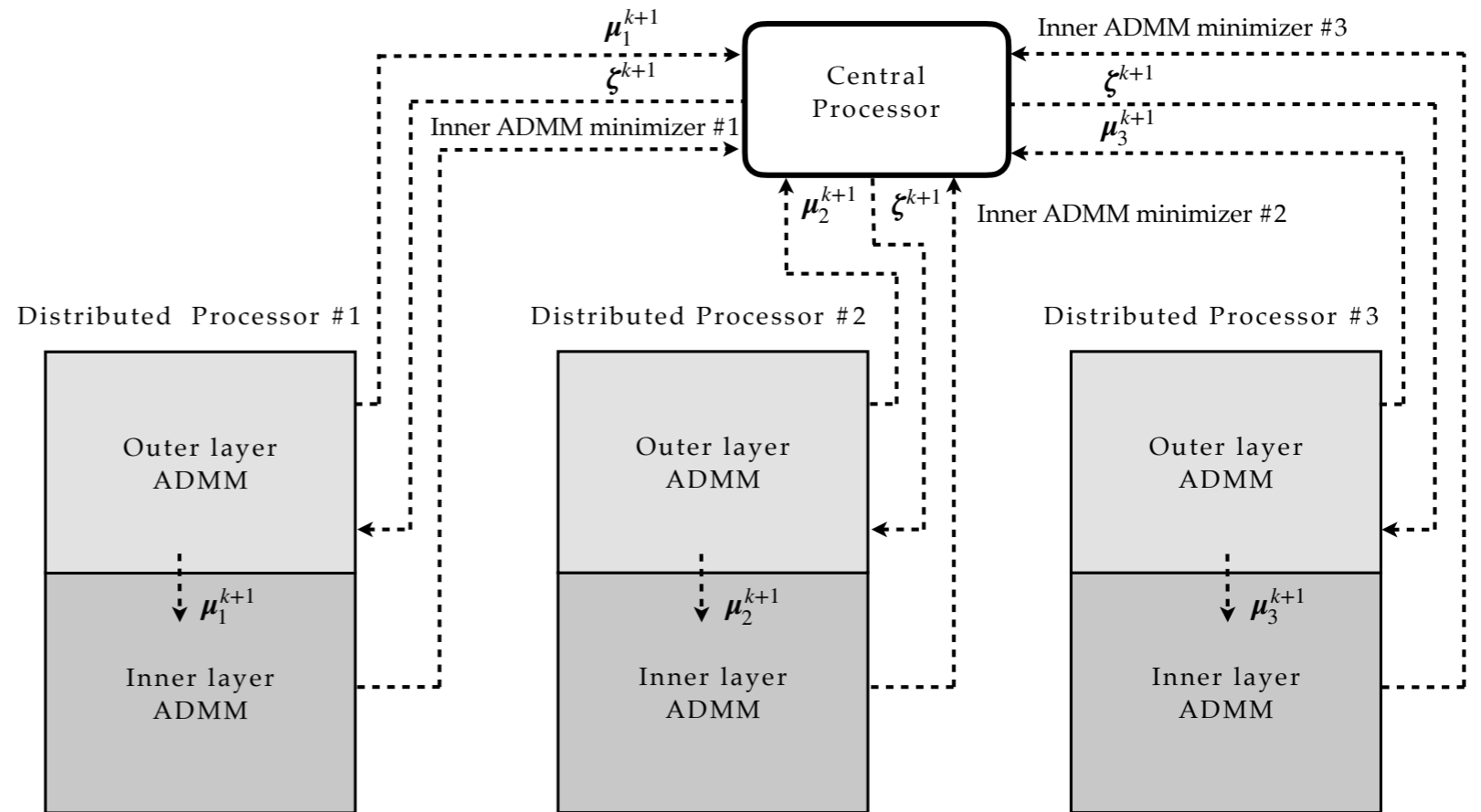


Summary

Distributed computation for
measure-valued optimization

Realizes measure-valued
operator splitting

Takes advantage of the existing
proximal and JKO type algorithms



Ongoing

Convergence guarantees for the overall scheme

High dimensional case studies

Thank You