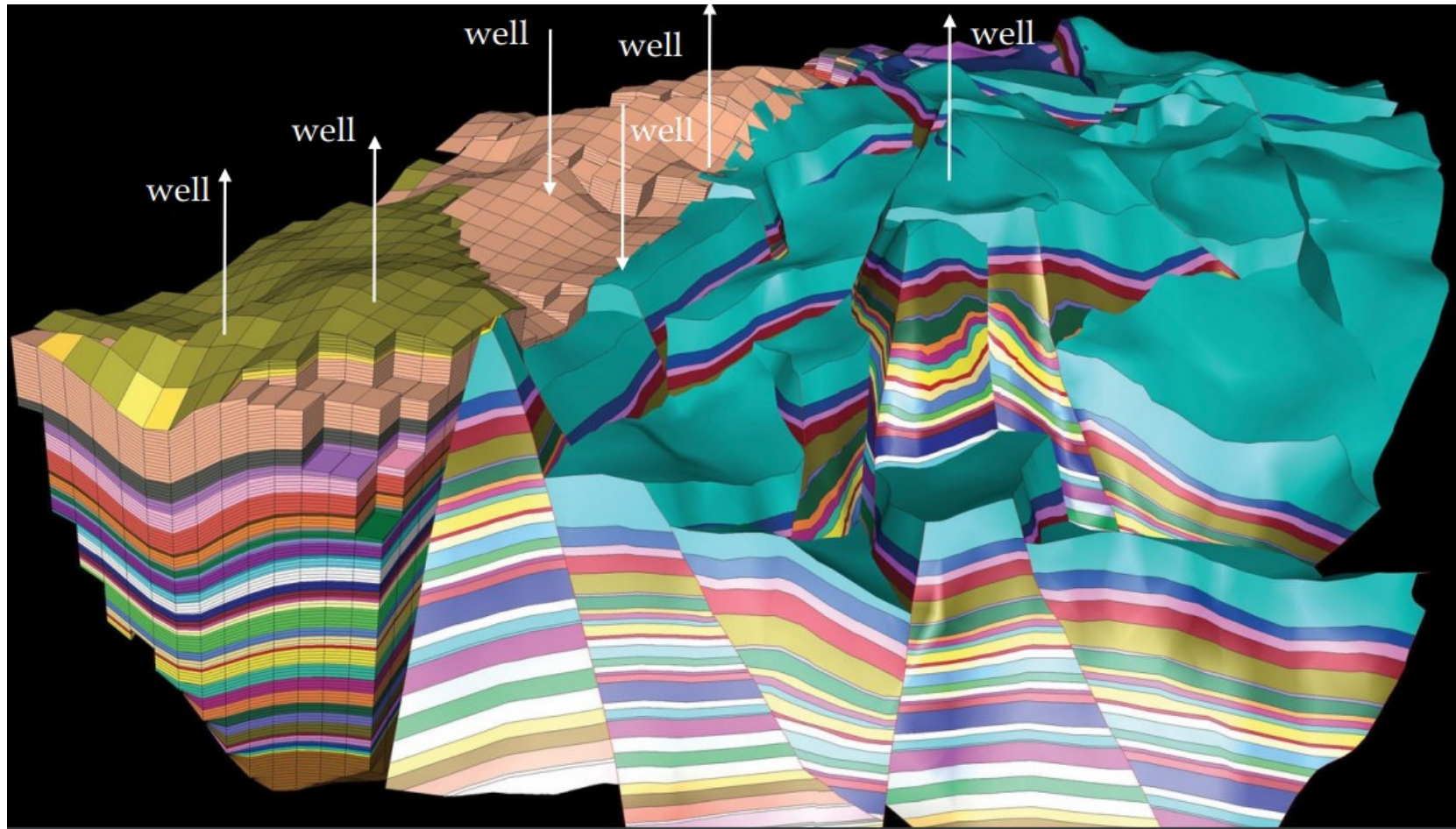


Transform-based Particle Filtering for Parameter Estimation in Reservoir Modeling

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Subsurface oil/gas reservoir



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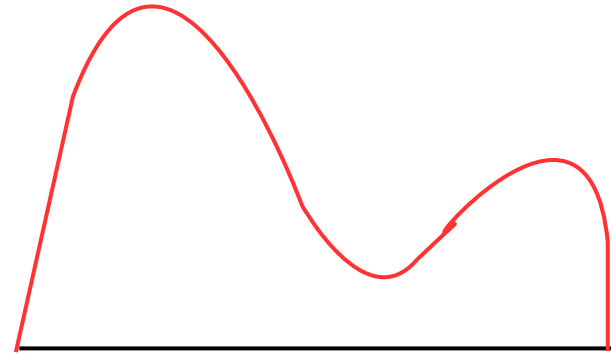
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Problem of Parameter estimation: Given limited observations of the pressure $P(x)$, the aim is to estimate the unknown permeability $k(x)$.

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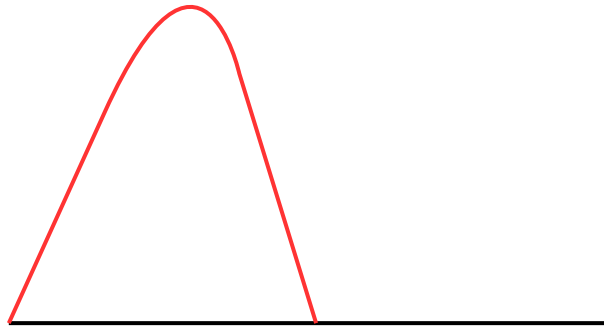
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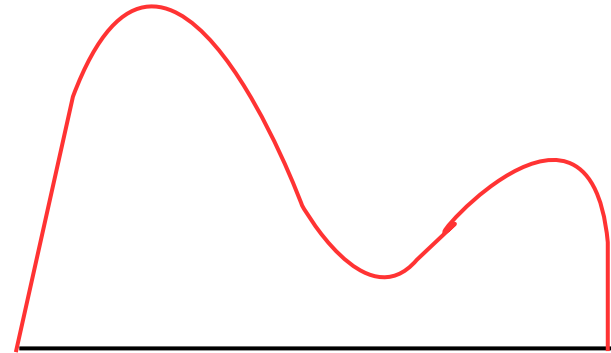
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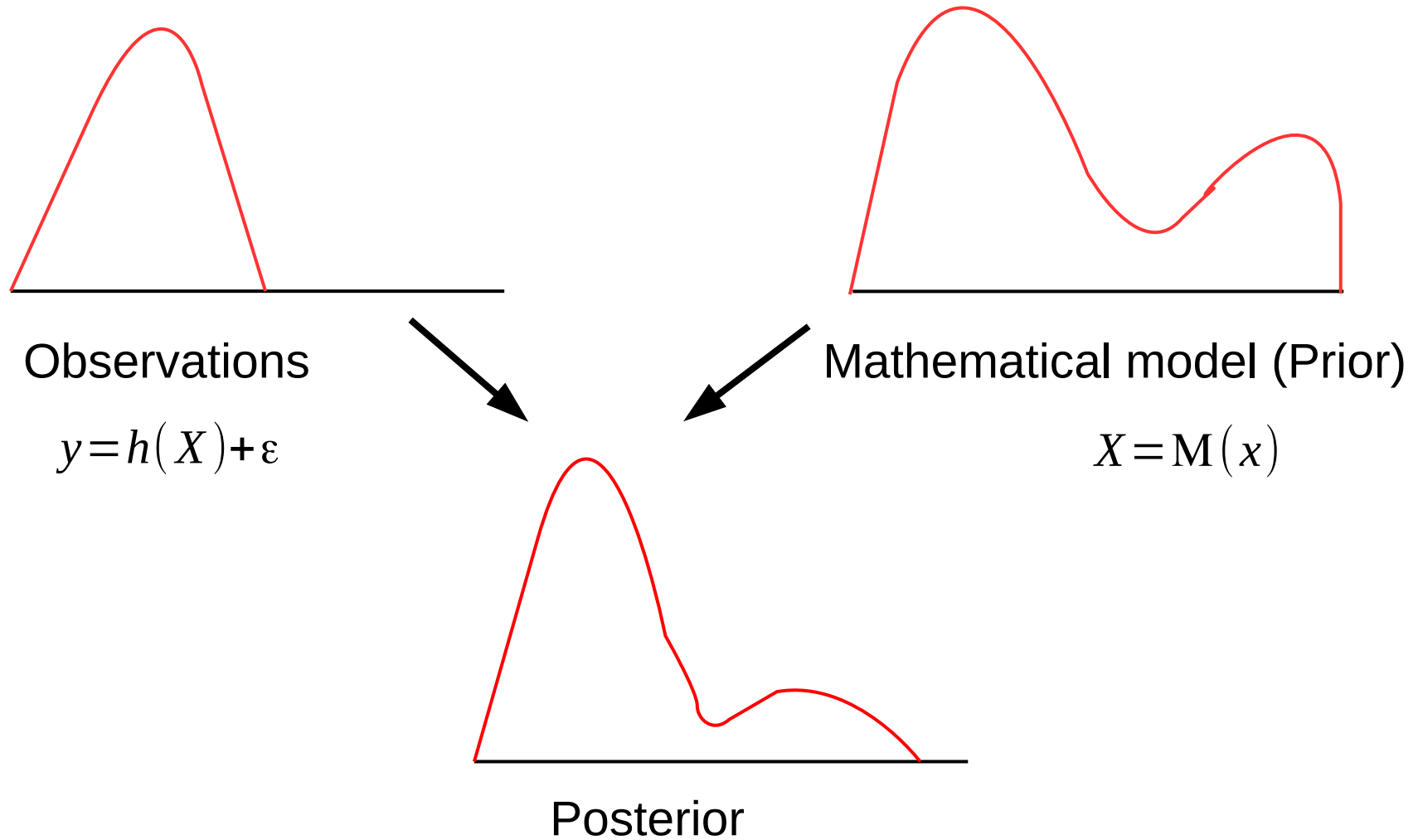
$$y = h(X) + \varepsilon$$



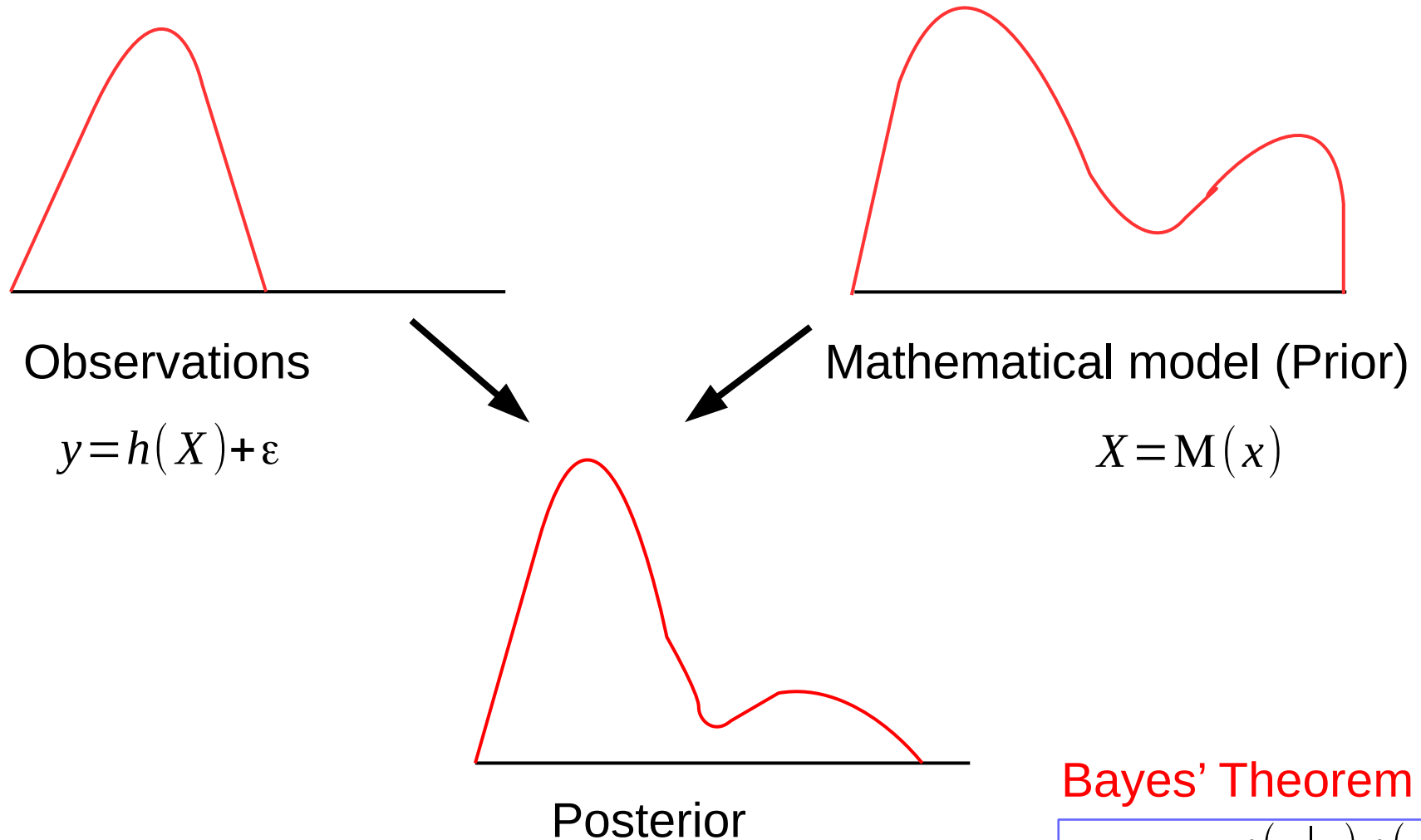
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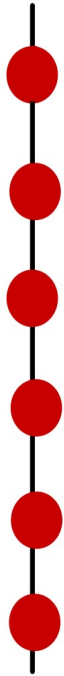
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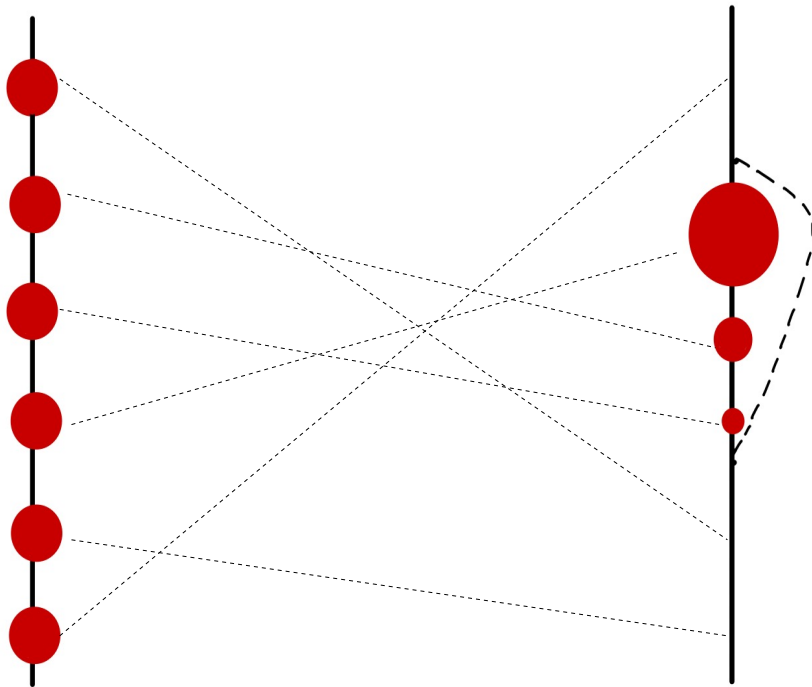
- EnKF became a standard data assimilation method in inverse modeling, though it assumes Gaussian probabilities which might not be always the case.

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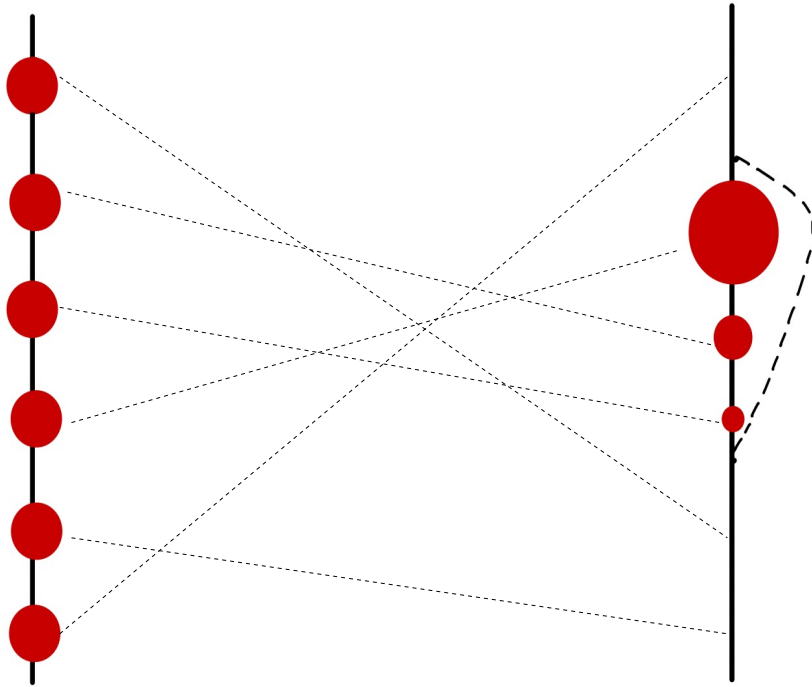
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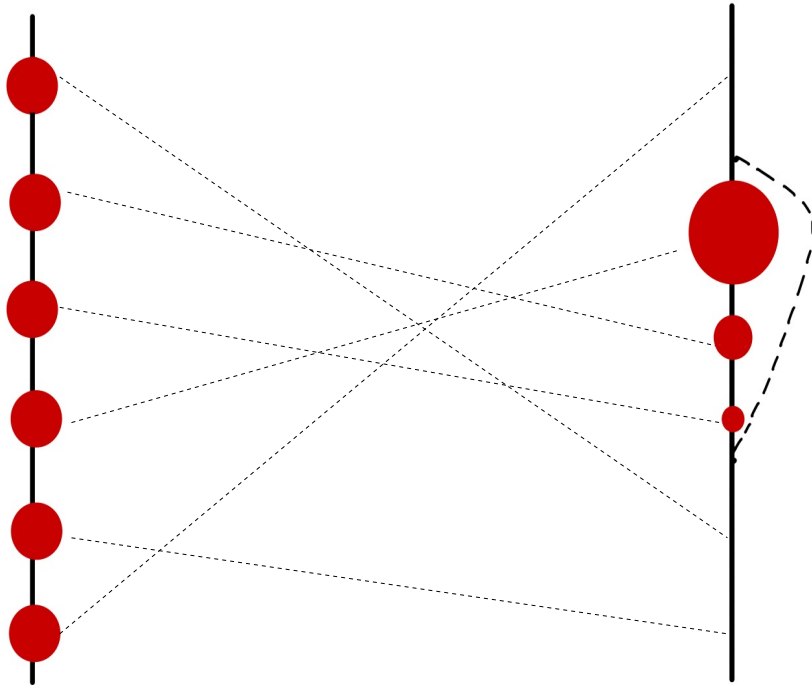


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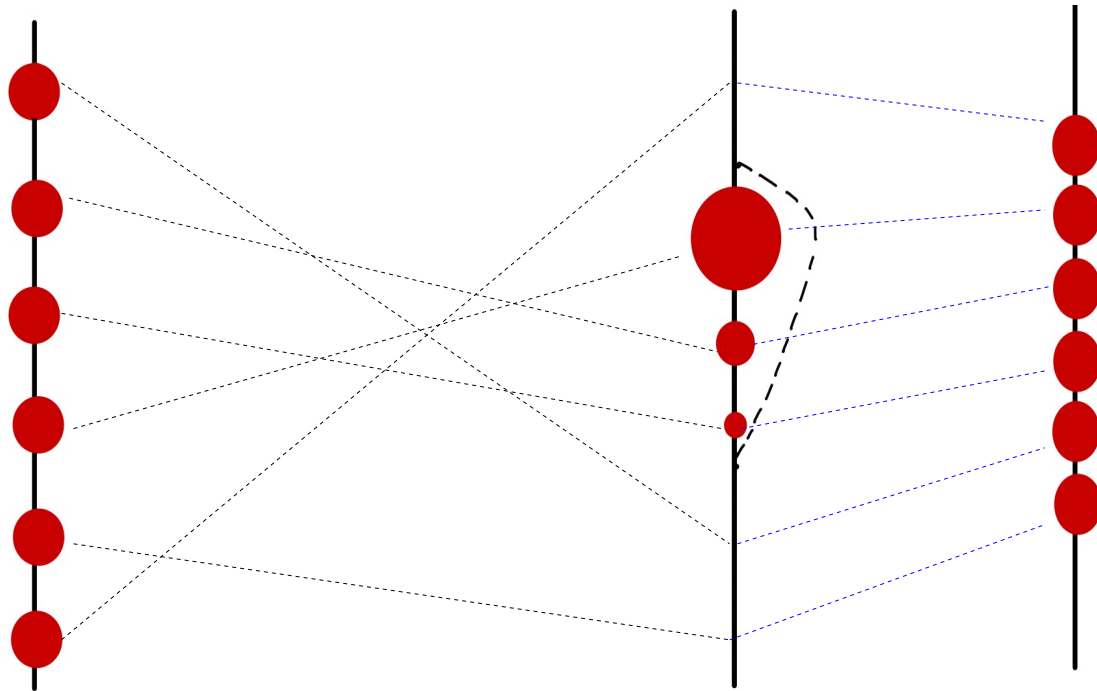
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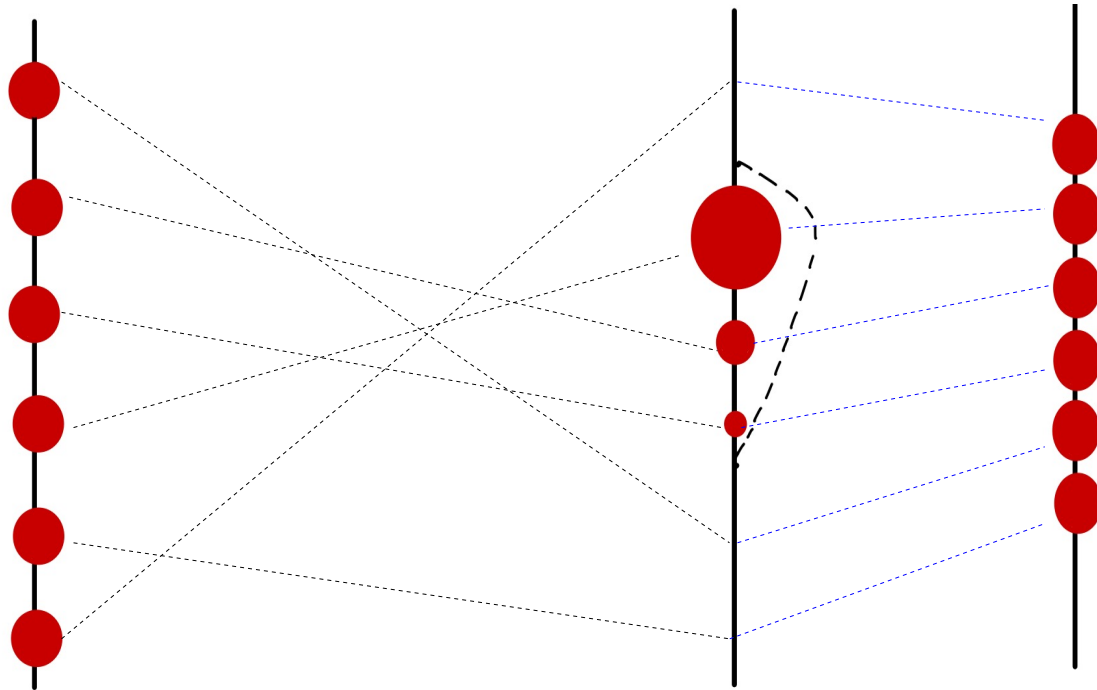
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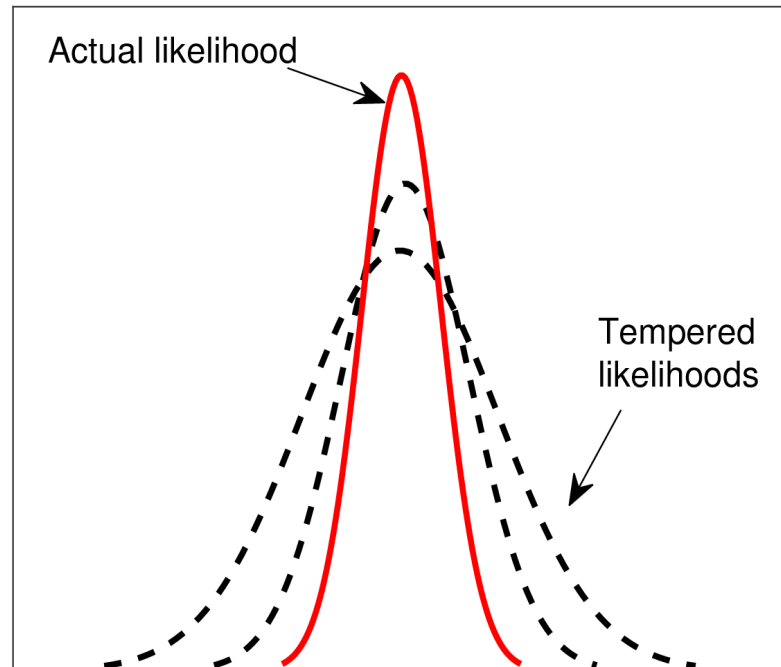
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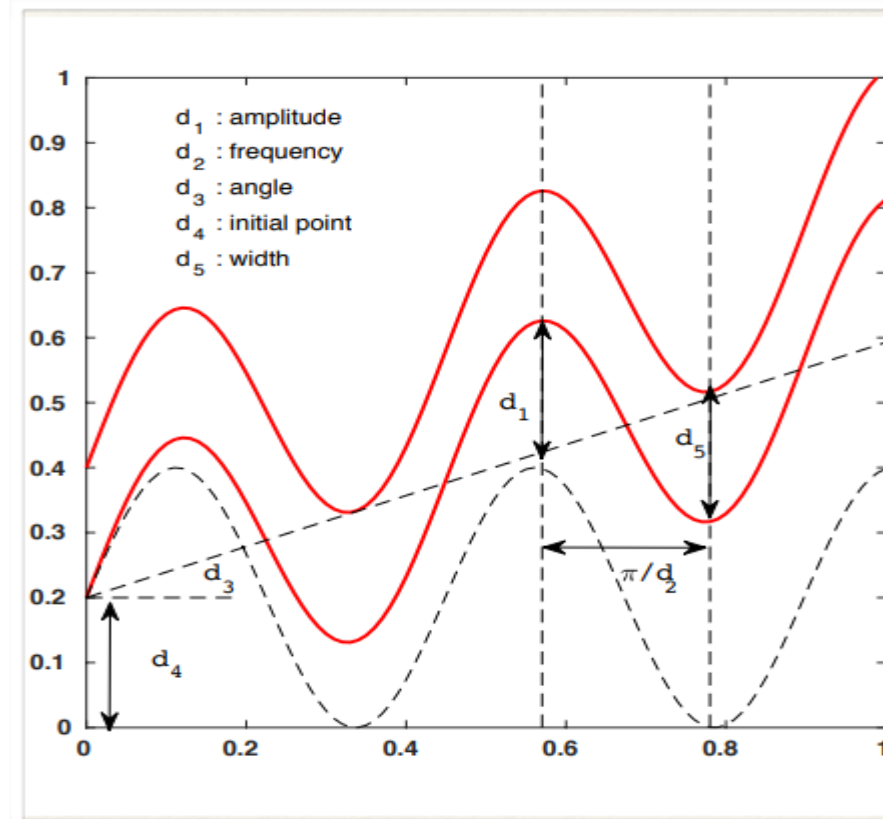
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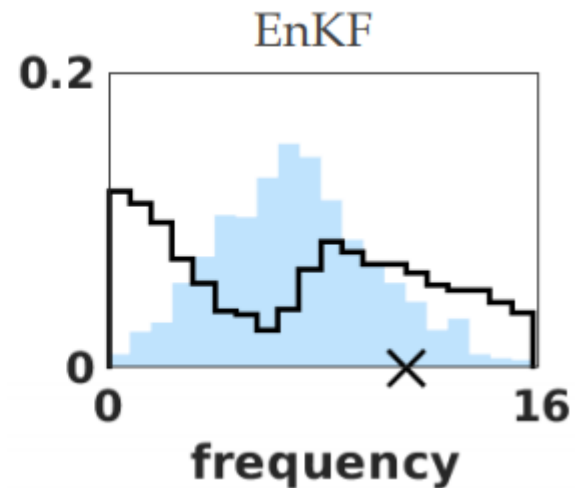
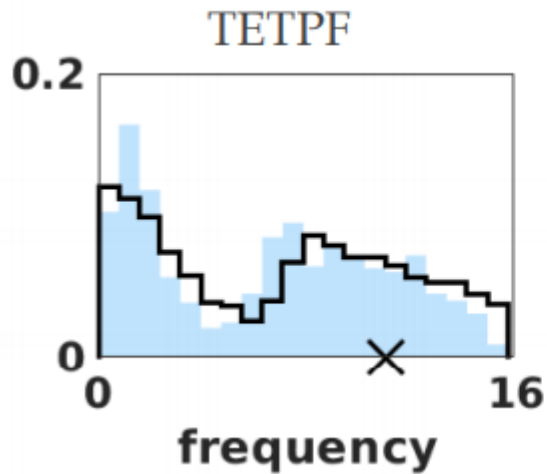
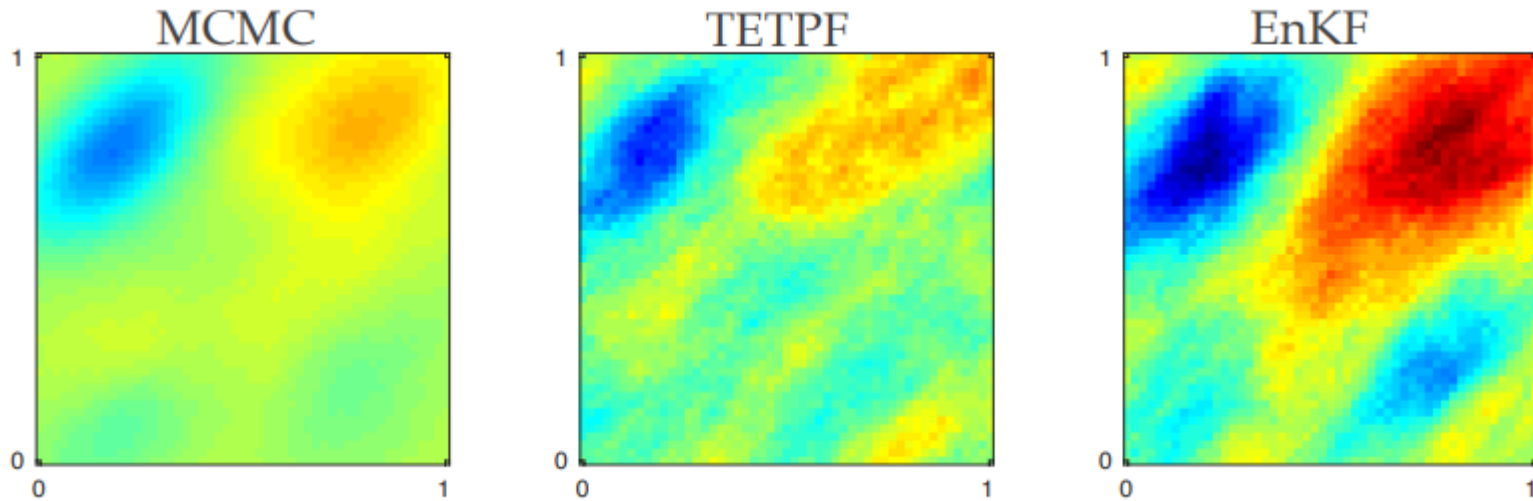
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Test Case: Bimodal probability



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

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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?