

“Data Assimilation Techniques for a Shell Model of Turbulence”

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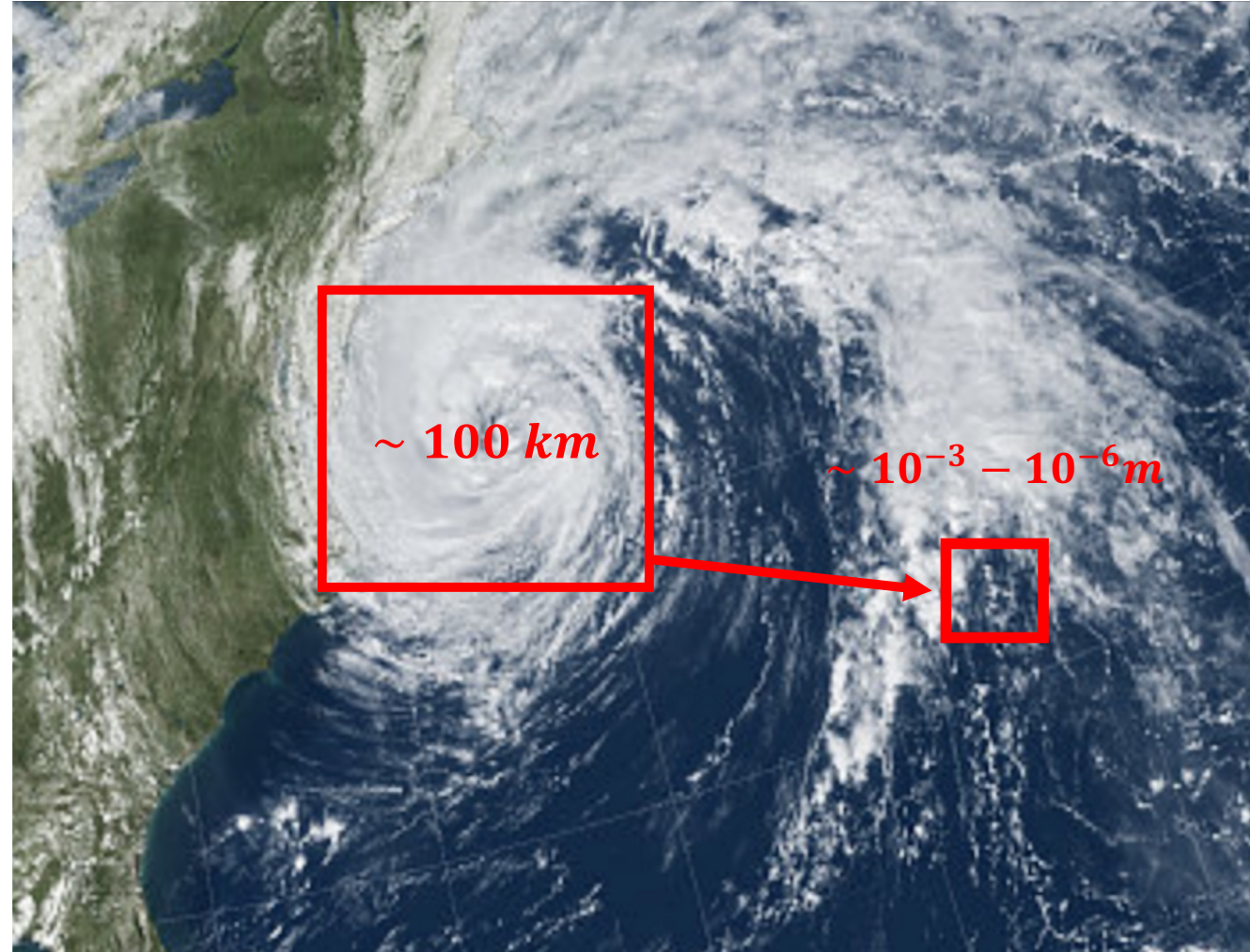
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Overview on the thesis

- Fully Developed Turbulence and Richardson Cascade
- Dynamical system for Energy cascade : The Shell Model
- Data Assimilation Techniques:
Nudging
Ensemble Kalman Filter (EnKF)



Turbulence

Navier-Stokes equation for incompressible flow:

$$\partial_t \mathbf{v} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{v} \otimes \mathbf{v}) = -\nabla P + \mathbf{f} + \frac{1}{Re} \Delta \mathbf{v}$$

Reynolds Number

$$Re = \frac{l_0 v_0}{\nu}$$

$$Re = 0$$

Laminar Flow

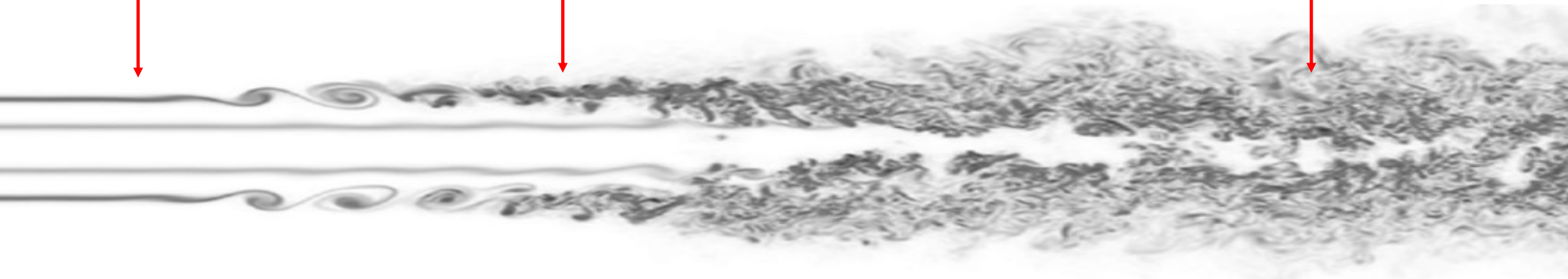


Transition Regime

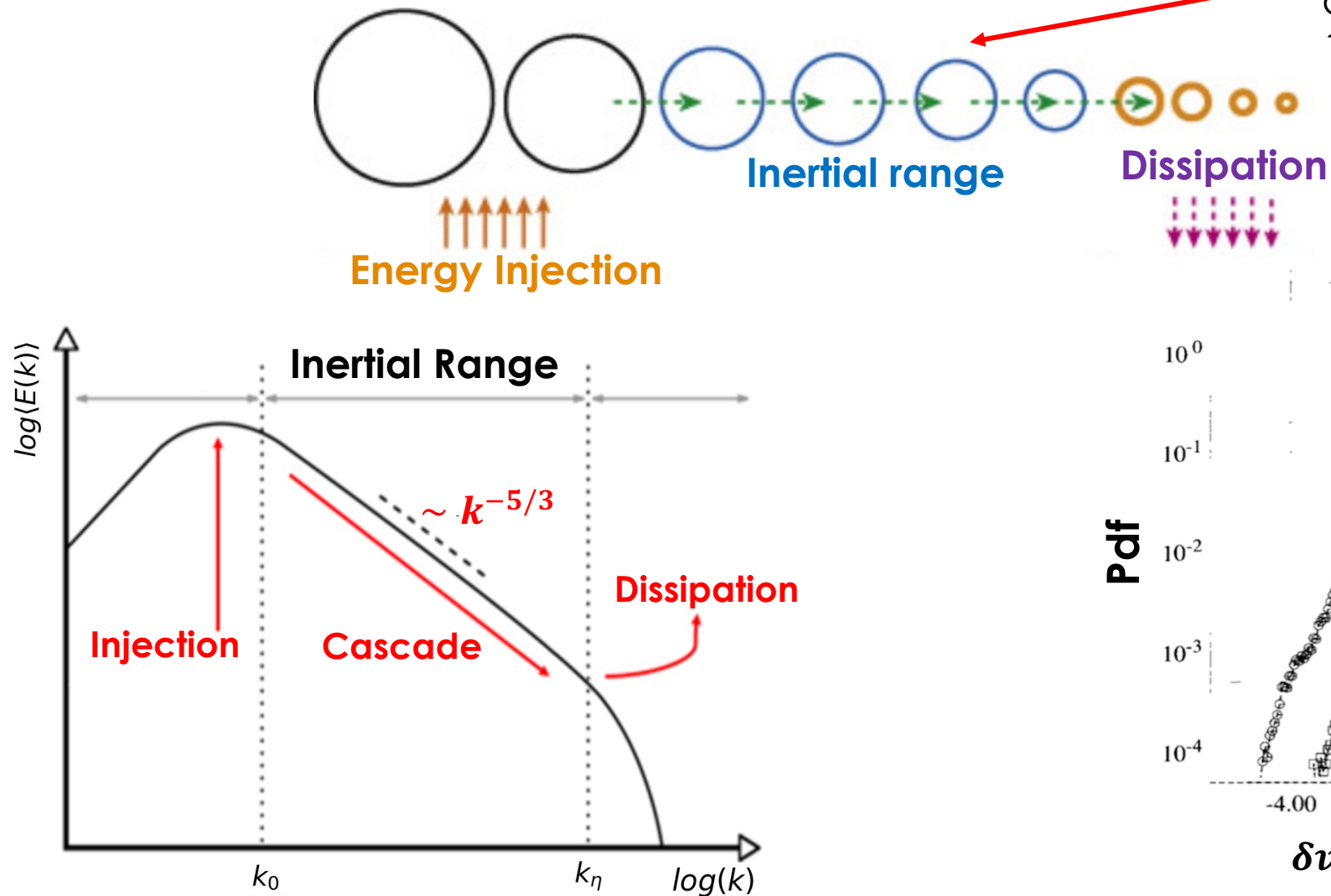


$$Re \rightarrow \infty$$

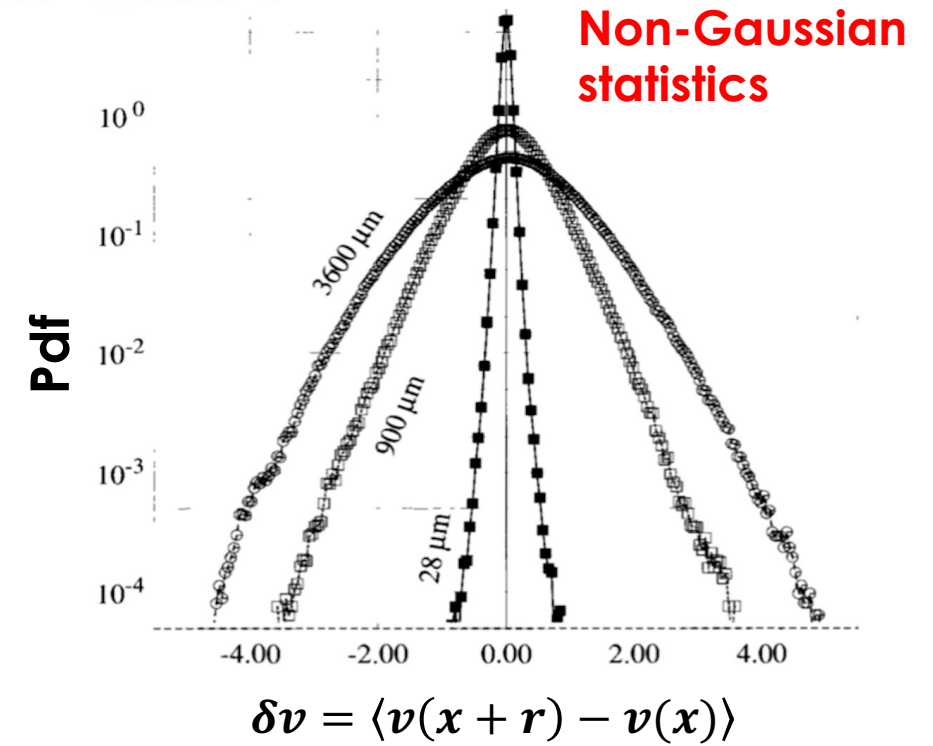
Fully Developed Turbulence



Phenomenology of Turbulence



Recovered **Homogeneity** and **Isotropy** (Kolmogorov 1941)



Shell Models

Sum over all wave vector triads

Navier–Stokes equation in Fourier Space:

$$\left(\frac{d}{dt} + \nu|\mathbf{k}|^2\right)u_j(\mathbf{k}, t) = -ik_l P_{j\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) \sum_{\mathbf{k}'} u_\alpha(\mathbf{k}', t) u_l(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}', t) + f_j(\mathbf{k}, t)$$

$$\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{k}' = \mathbf{k}''$$

To solve numerically the dissipative scale:

$$\# \sim R_e^{9/4}$$

Dynamical system mimics the energy cascade:

$$\{u_n \in \mathbb{C}, n = 1, 2, \dots, N\}$$

$$k_n = k_0 2^n$$

$$\frac{du_n}{dt} = i(a k_{n+1} u_{n+1}^* u_{n+2} + b k_n u_{n-1}^* u_{n+1} - c k_{n-1} u_{n-1} u_{n-2}) - \nu k_n^2 u_n + f_n$$

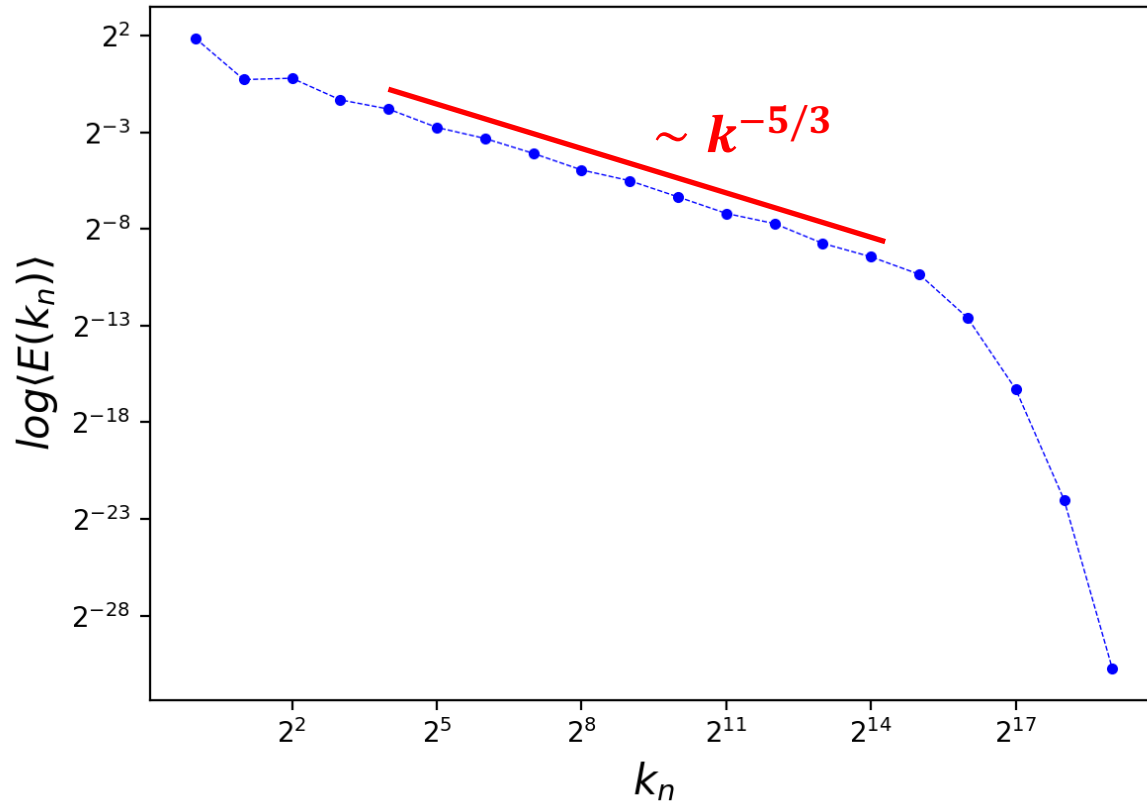
Sum over the first and second neighbors

To solve numerically the dissipative scale:

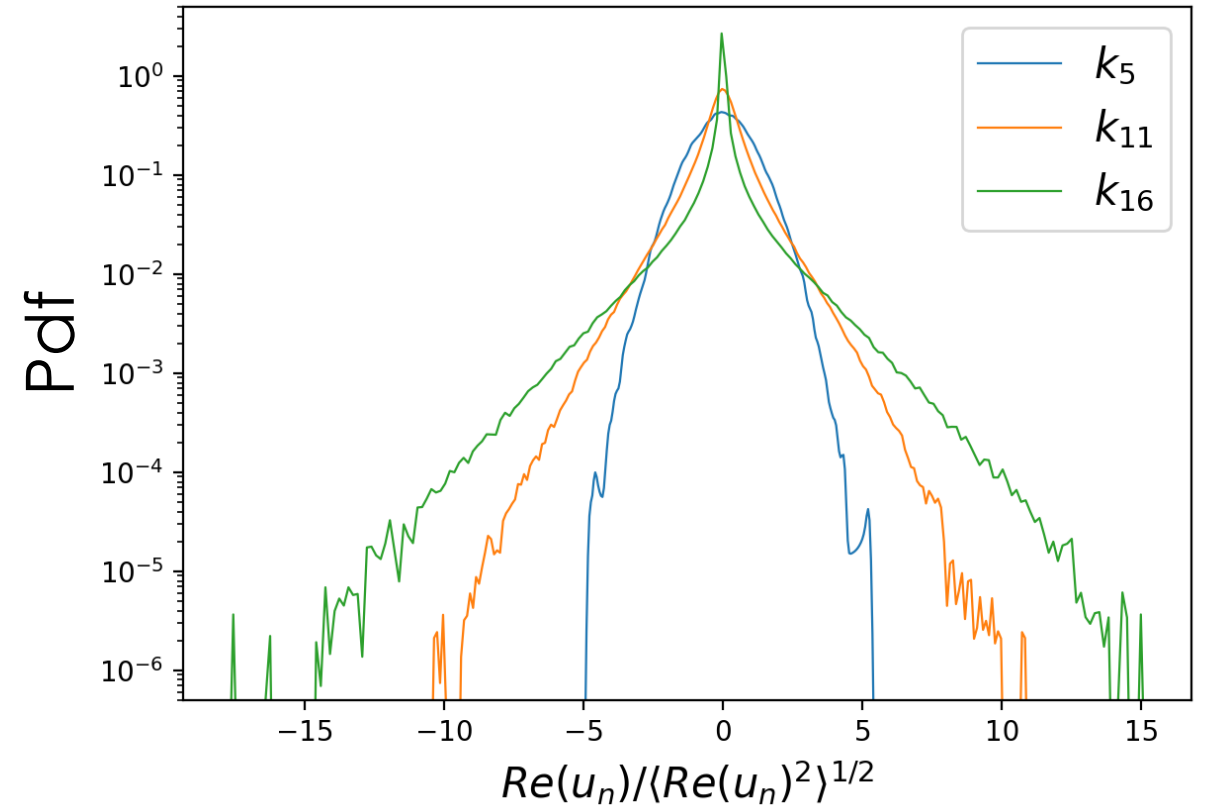
$$\# \sim \ln R_e$$

Shell Model Results

Energy Spectrum



Non-Gaussian statistics at the small scales



Ensemble Kalman Filter (EnKF)

Is a data Assimilation Technique optimized for system with :

- Linear dynamics
- Gaussian statistics

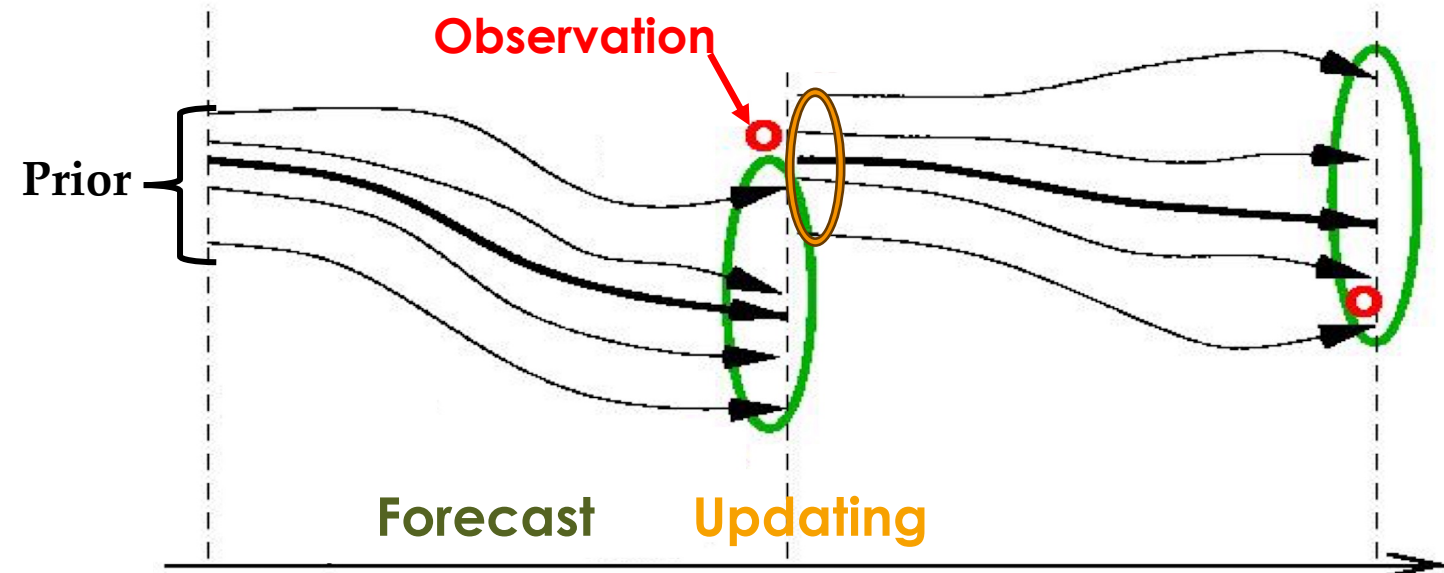
Prior Ensemble

$$\{\mathbf{u}_t^{(1)}, \mathbf{u}_t^{(2)}, \mathbf{u}_t^{(3)}, \dots, \mathbf{u}_t^{(L)}\}$$

Updating through
the measurements

Posterior Ensemble

$$\{\hat{\mathbf{u}}_t^{(1)}, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_t^{(2)}, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_t^{(3)}, \dots, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_t^{(L)}\}$$



Ground Truth
measurements

Measurement
Matrix

$$\hat{\mathbf{u}}_t^{(j)} = \mathbf{u}_t^{(j)} + \mathbf{K}_t (\mathbf{z}_t^{(j)} - \mathbf{H} \mathbf{u}_t^{(j)})$$

$$\mathbf{K}_t = \hat{\Sigma}_t \mathbf{H}^T (\mathbf{H} \hat{\Sigma}_t \mathbf{H}^T + \mathbf{R}_t)^{-1}$$

Covariance
Ensemble Error

Covariance
Measurement Error

Nudging (Newtonian Relaxing)

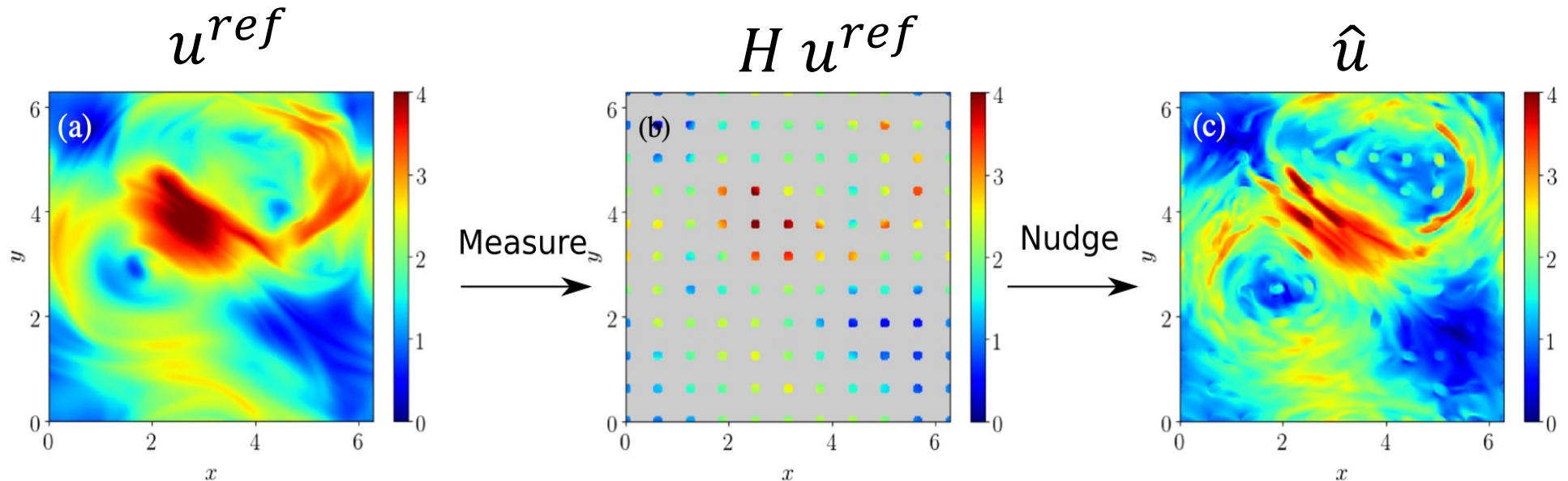
System state
Estimation

$$\frac{d\hat{u}_n(t)}{dt} = f_n(\hat{u}(t)) + \alpha H_{nm}(u_n^{ref} - \hat{u}_n)$$

Coupling coefficient

Measurement
operator

Reference solution + gaussian
error



Simulation Setup

We want to test the assimilation techniques on a simulation time $T = 200 T_0$, where $T_0 = 0.5$ is the characteristic time of the slowest mode.

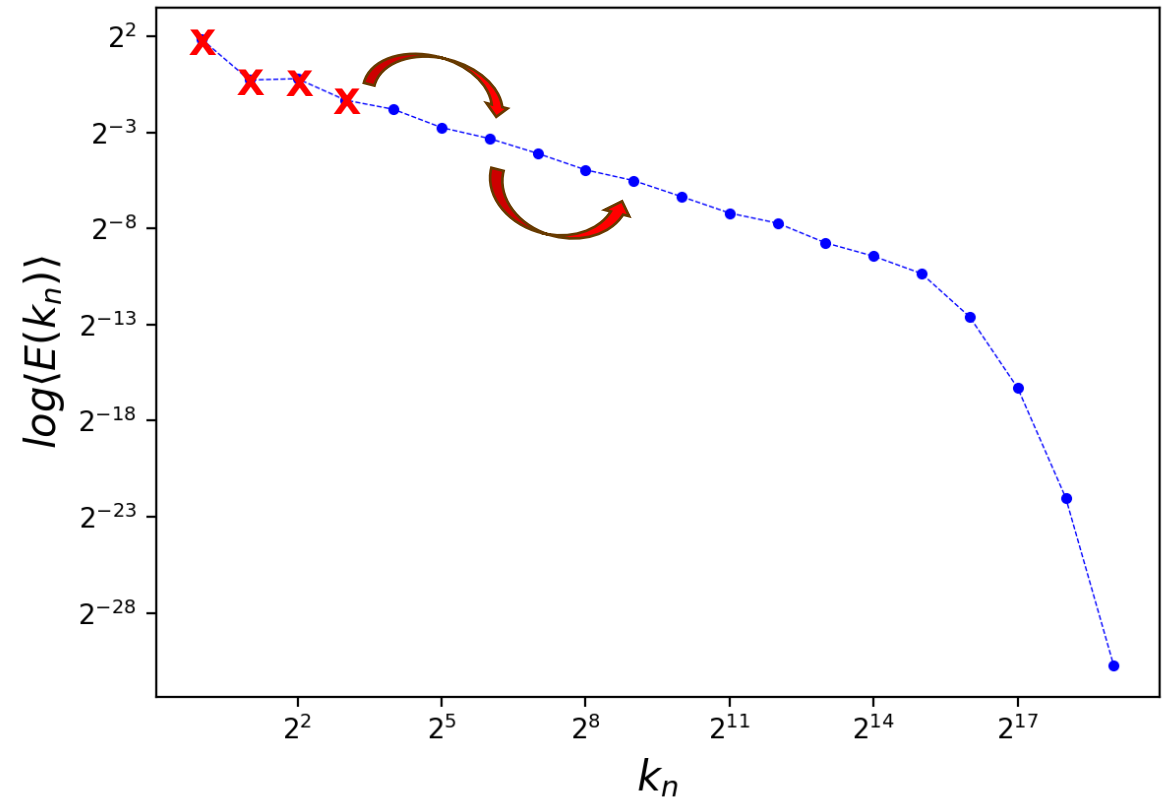
Different measurement frequencies:

- $\tau = 0.002 T_0$ (measurement every 100 time steps)
- $\tau = 0.02 T_0$ (every 1000 time steps)
- $\tau = 0.2 T_0$ (every 10000 time step)

The measurement error of a mode is a percentage of its own energy.

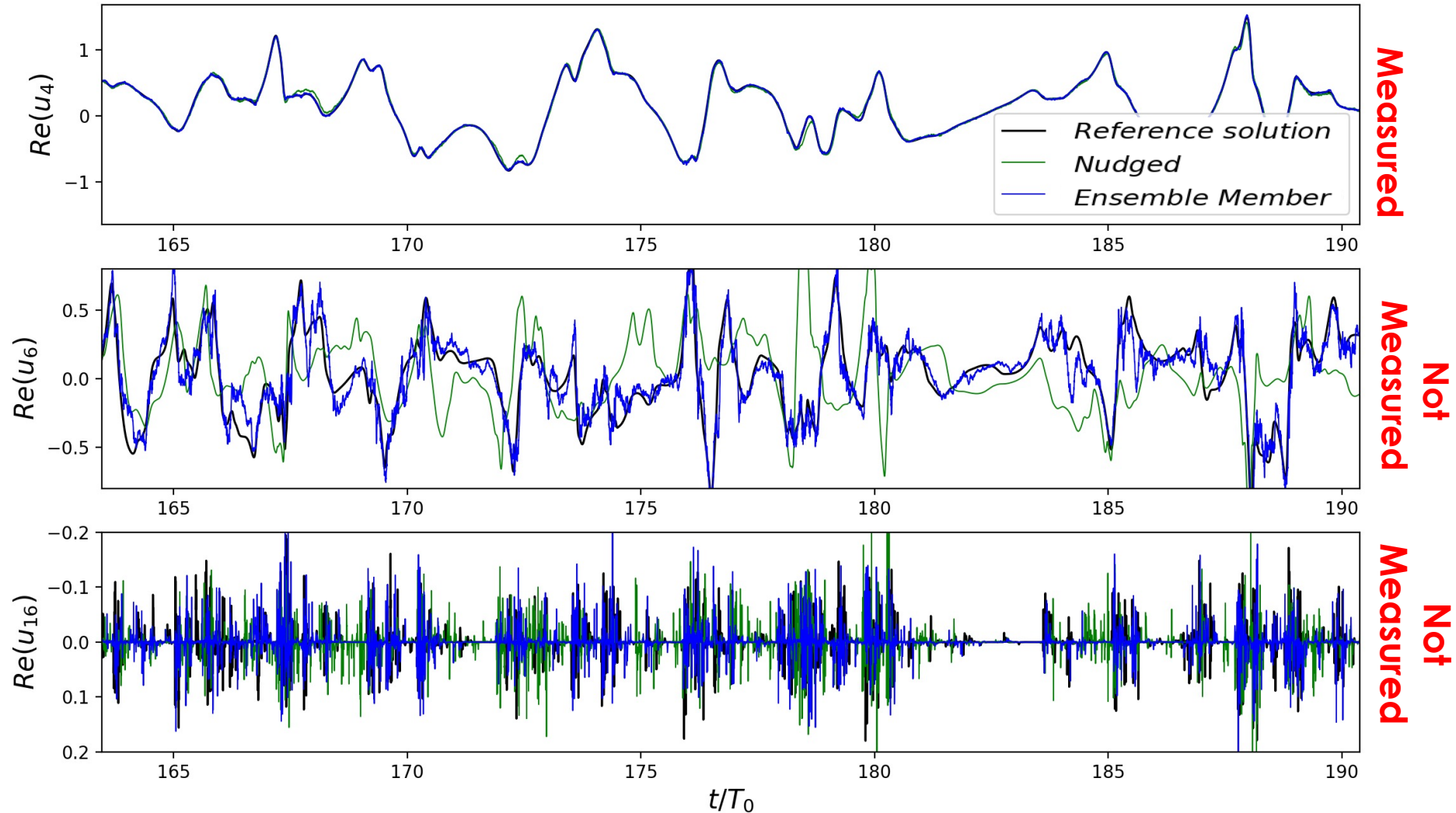
$$\varepsilon_n \sim N(0, \sigma_n^2) \quad \sigma_n^2 = 0.05 \langle |u_n|^2 \rangle$$

Different sets of measured shells:

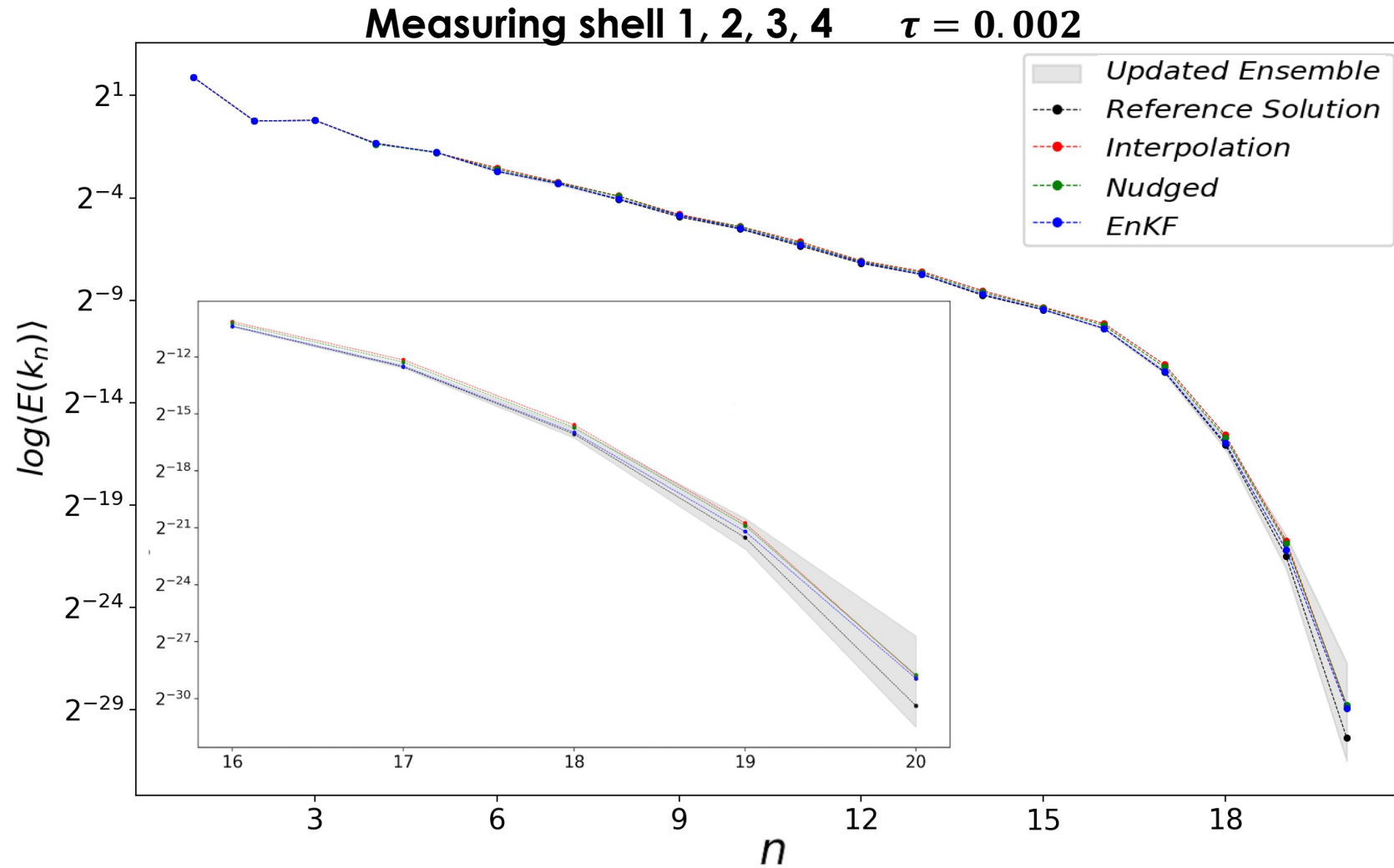


EnKF VS Nudging

Measuring shell 1,2,3,4
with $\tau = 0.002 T_0$



Statistical Reconstruction



Istantaneous Reconstruction: various measurement cadences

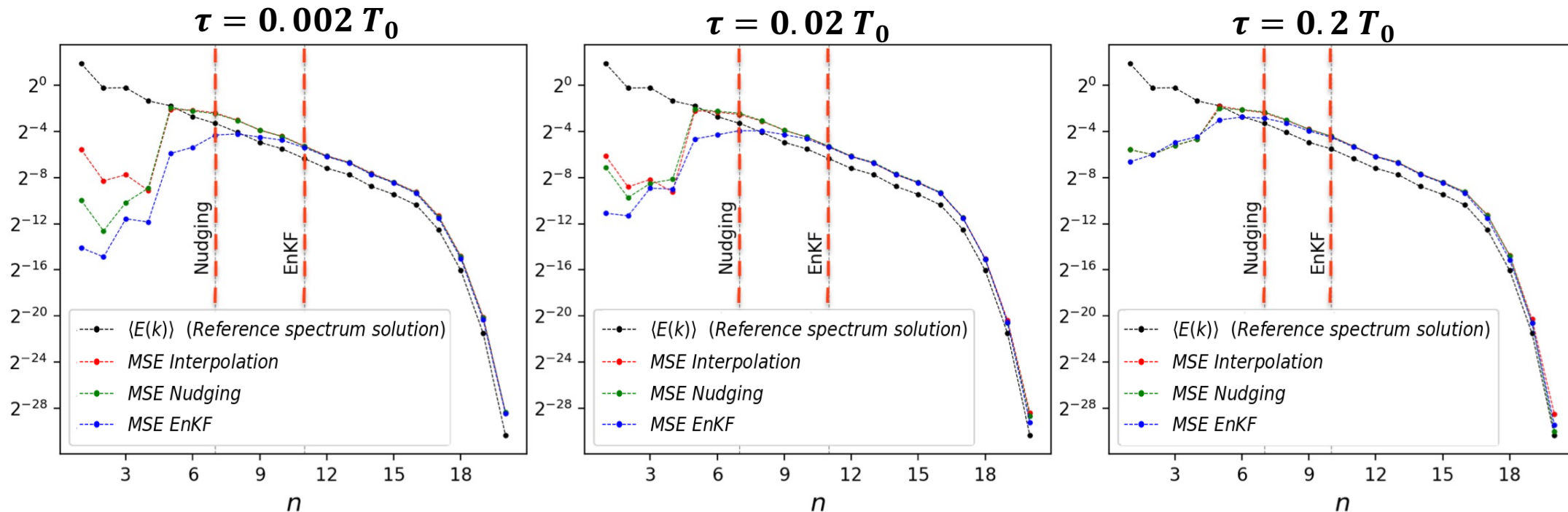
$$\langle |u^{ref} - \hat{u}|^2 \rangle = \langle |\hat{u}|^2 \rangle + \langle |u^{ref}|^2 \rangle - \langle u^{ref} \hat{u}^* + \hat{u} u^{ref*} \rangle = E(u^{ref}) + E(\hat{u}) - C(\hat{u}, u^{ref})$$

IF :

- $E(u^{ref}) = E(\hat{u}) \longrightarrow \langle |u^{ref} - \hat{u}|^2 \rangle = 2 E(u^{ref})$
- $C(\hat{u}, u^{ref}) = 0$

The presence of factor 2 means that we are assimilating but not altering the statistic

Measuring shells: 1, 2, 3, 4



Conclusions (in red suggestions for improving the work)

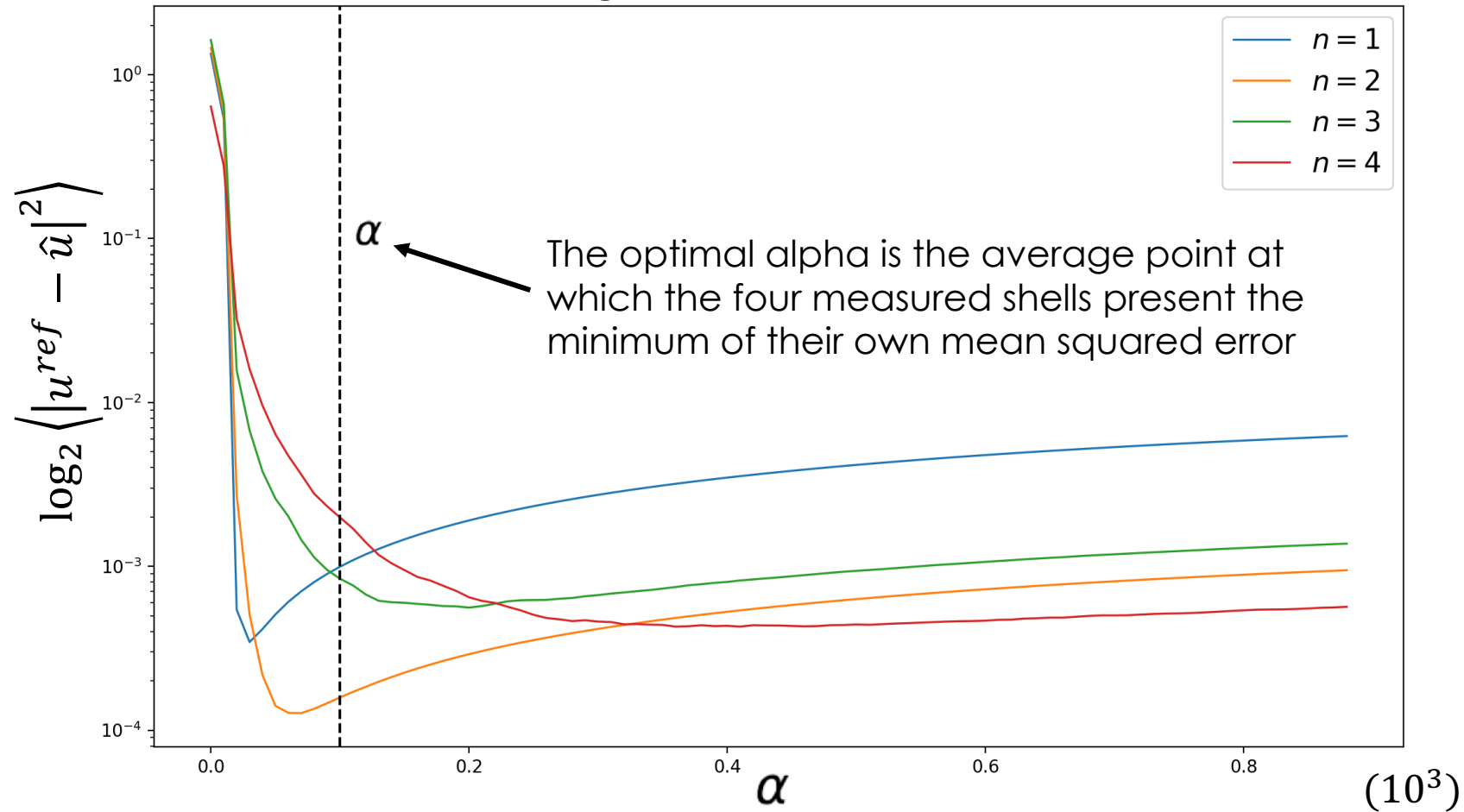
- ✓ We have optimized the Nudging process by selecting the average coupling coefficient.
- ✓ We could use different coupling coefficients for the different shells.
- ✓ The EnKF provides the best assimilation performance in the analyzed cases.
- ✓ We could do better by implementing inflation and localization techniques to improve the filtering performance.
- ✓ If we measure n shells through EnKF, we can assimilate up to $n+6$, while with Nudging, we can assimilate up to $n+2$. The results are limited to the measurement of the first shells; measuring faster modes, the code becomes unstable (presence of NaN).
- ✓ We need to understand the reason for it.

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Optimizing Nudging Coefficient

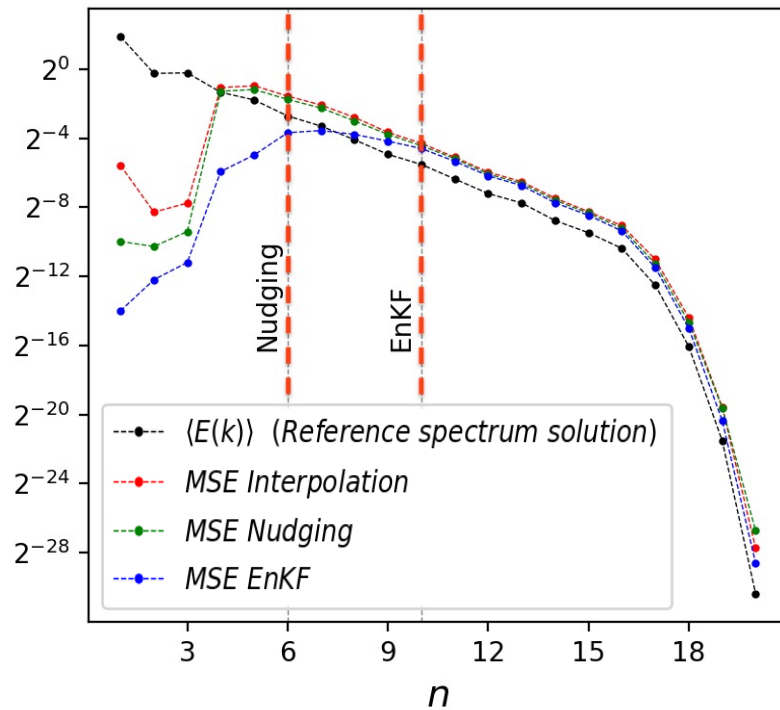
Measuring shell 1, 2, 3, 4 $\tau = 0.002$



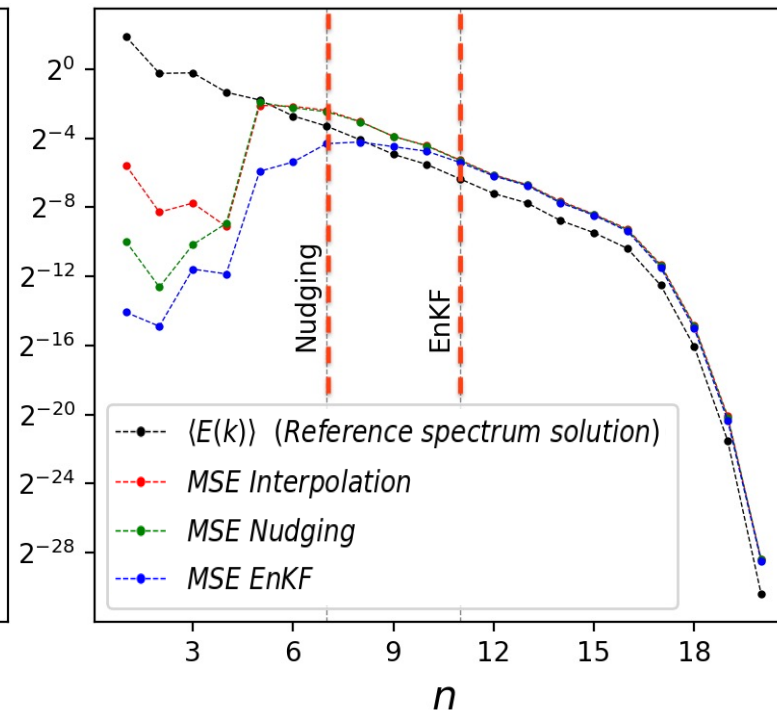
Istantaneous Reconstruction: various set of measured shells

The measurement cadence used is $\tau = 0.002 T_0$

Measuring shells: 1, 2, 3



Measuring shells: 1, 2, 3, 4



Measuring shells: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

