

# **Ensemble Transform Kalman Filter**

## **- L02. Inflations and Implementations -**

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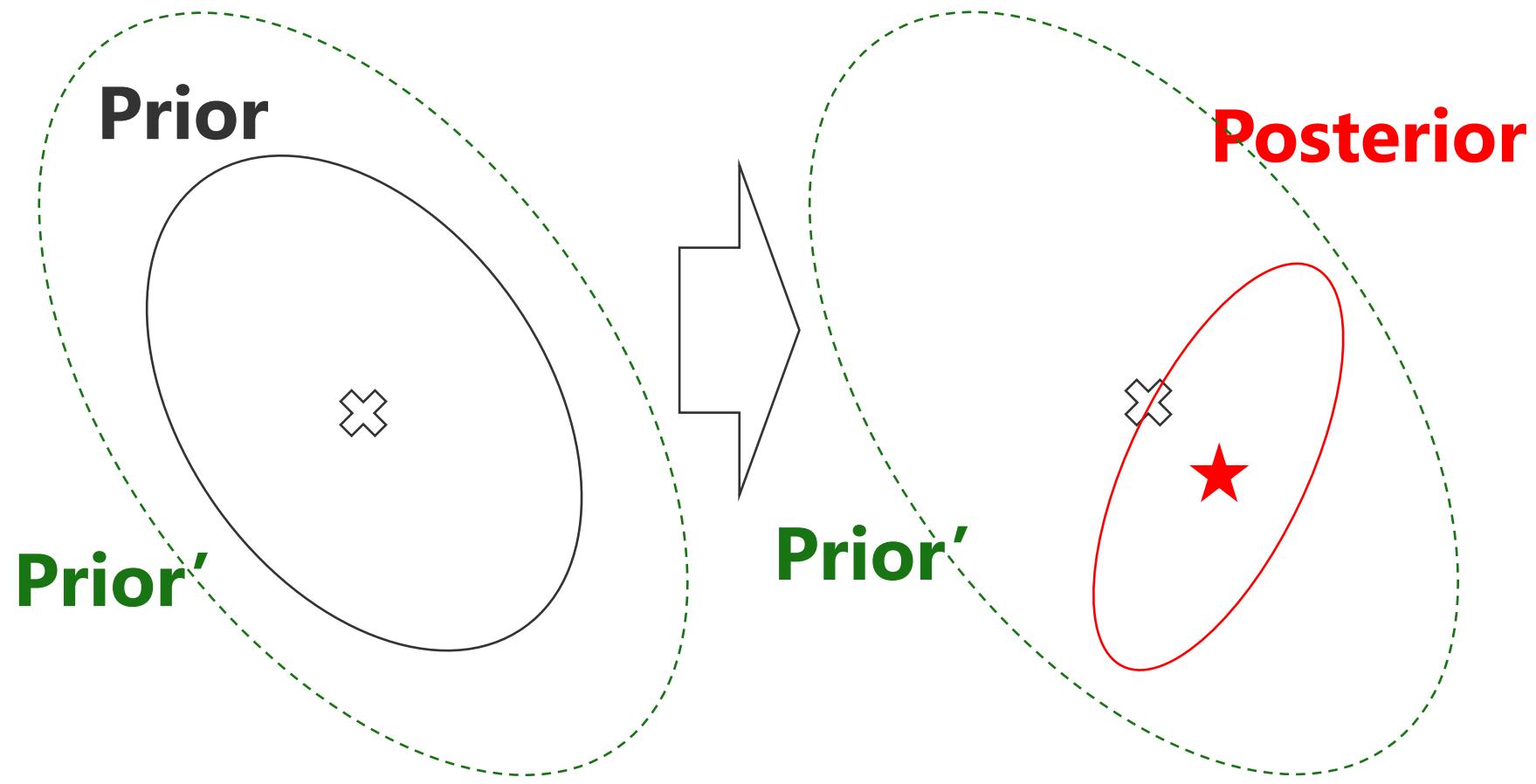
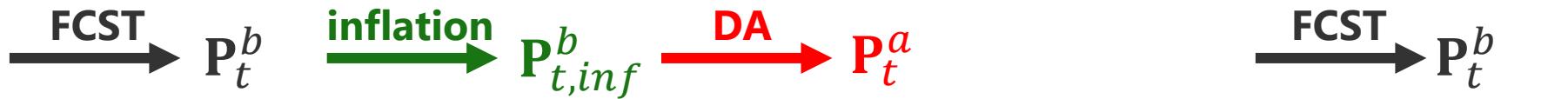
# Multiplicative Inflation

Anderson and Anderson (1999; MWR)



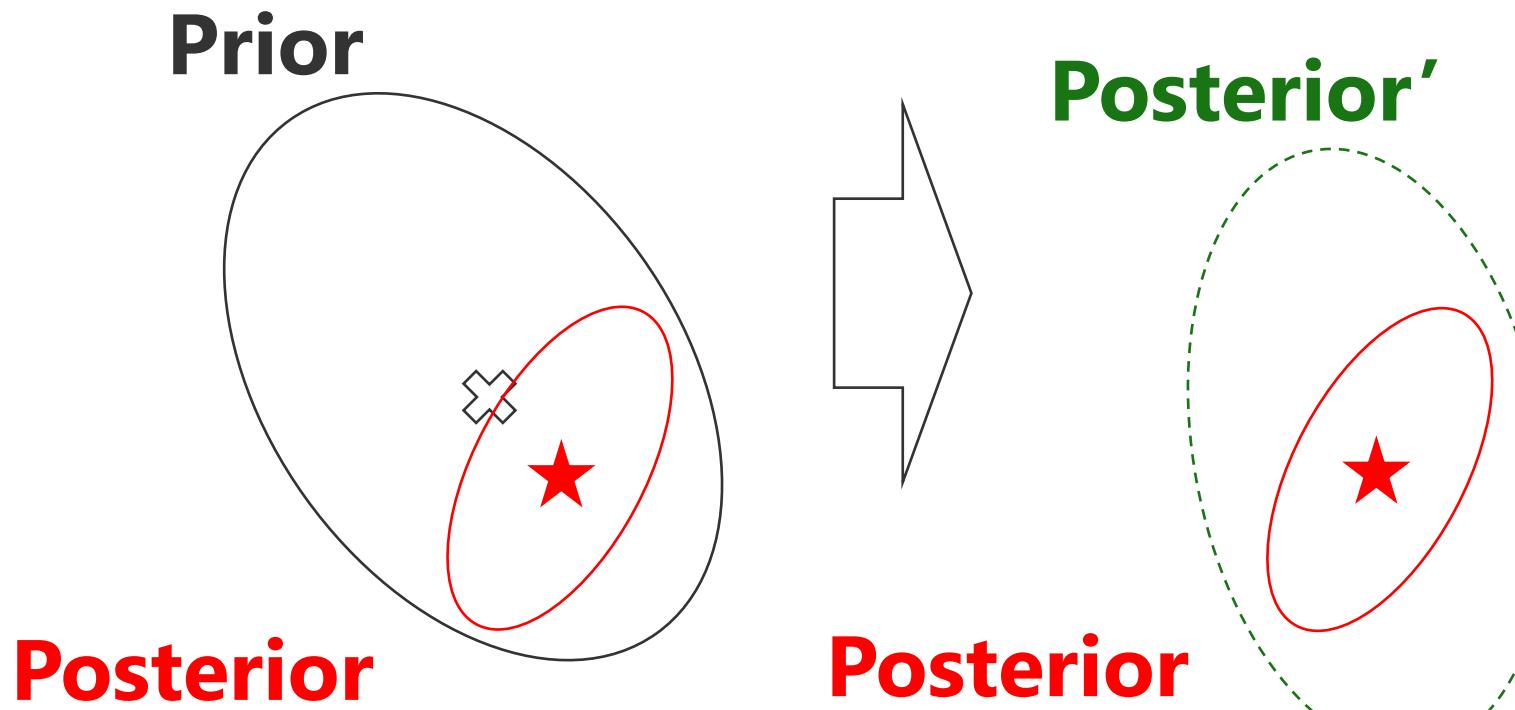
*Multiplicative Inflation*

$$P_{t,inf}^b = \Delta P_t^b$$



**Relaxation to Prior Perturbation (RTPP)**

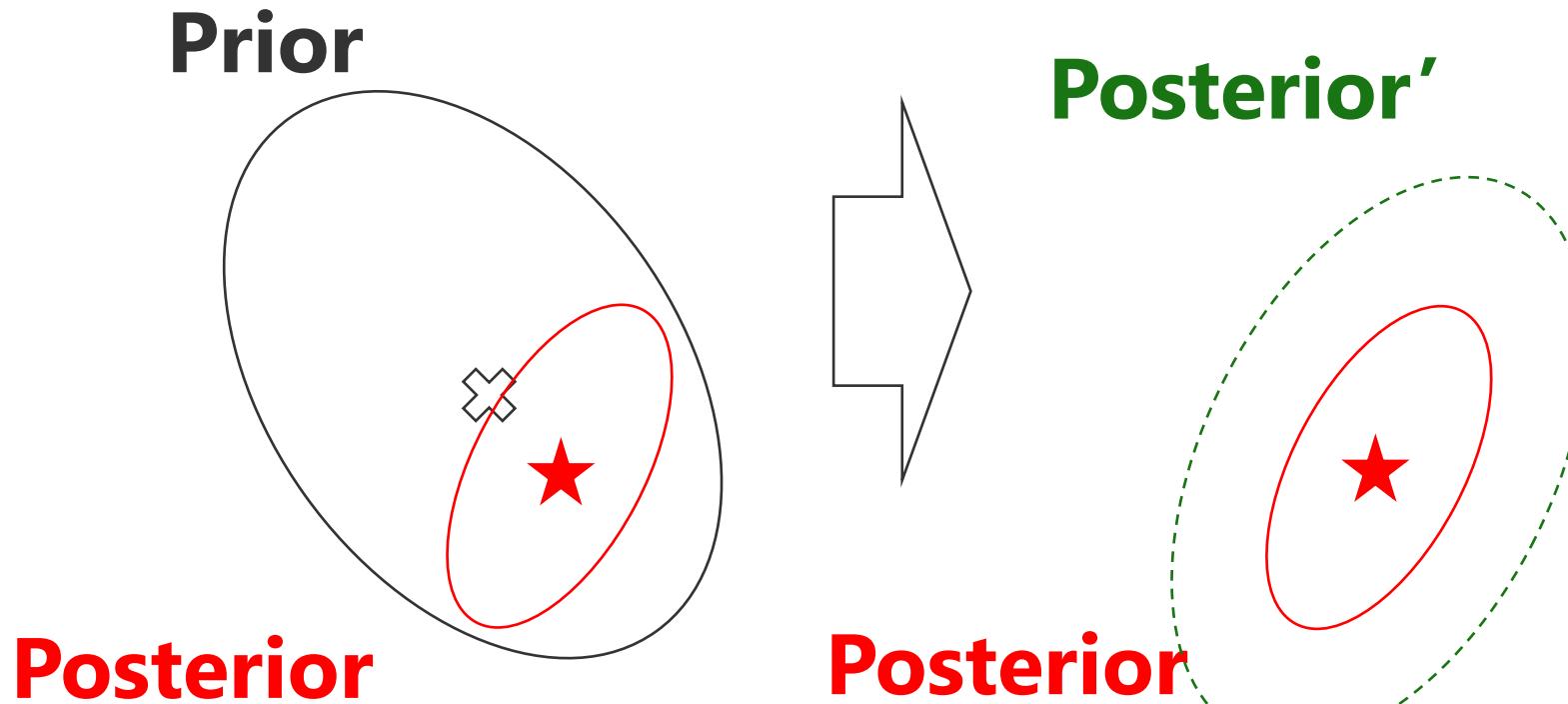
$$\delta\mathbf{X}_{t,inf}^a = (1 - \alpha)\delta\mathbf{X}_t^a + \alpha\delta\mathbf{X}_t^b$$



**Relaxation to Prior Spread (RTPS)**

$$\delta \mathbf{X}_{t,inf,i}^a = \frac{\alpha \sigma_i^b + (1 - \alpha) \sigma_i^a}{\sigma_i^a} \delta \mathbf{X}_{t,i}^a$$

$\sigma_i$ : ensemble spread of  $i$ th variable



# Implementation

# Multiplicative Inflation

Analysis Equations w/o Inflation    subspace spanned by  $\mathbf{Z}^b$

*mean*       $\delta\bar{\mathbf{x}}^a = \mathbf{Z}^b \tilde{\mathbf{P}}^a (\mathbf{Y}^b)^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{d}^{o-b} = \mathbf{Z}^b \tilde{\mathbf{W}}$

*perturbation*     $\mathbf{Z}^a = \mathbf{Z}^b (\tilde{\mathbf{P}}^a)^{1/2} = \mathbf{Z}^b \tilde{\mathbf{W}}$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{P}}^a = [(\tilde{\mathbf{P}}^b)^{-1} + (\mathbf{Y}^b)^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{Y}^b]^{-1}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{P}}^b = \mathbf{I}$$

subspace spanned by  $\delta\mathbf{X}^b$

$$\delta\bar{\mathbf{x}}^a = \delta\mathbf{X}^b \hat{\mathbf{P}}^a (\delta\mathbf{Y}^b)^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{d}^{o-b} = \delta\mathbf{X}^b \hat{\mathbf{W}}$$

$$\delta\mathbf{X}^a = \delta\mathbf{X}^b ((m-1)\hat{\mathbf{P}}^a)^{1/2} = \delta\mathbf{X}^b \hat{\mathbf{W}}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{P}}^a = [(\hat{\mathbf{P}}^b)^{-1} + (\delta\mathbf{Y}^b)^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \delta\mathbf{Y}^b]^{-1}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{P}}^b = \mathbf{I}/(m-1)$$

# Multiplicative Inflation

Point: update vector and matrix ( $\mathbf{w}$  and  $\mathbf{W}$ )  
can be applied for ptb w/o inflation

Analysis Equations w/ Inflation

$$\mathbf{P}_{inf}^b = \Delta \mathbf{P}^b \Leftrightarrow \delta \mathbf{X}_{inf}^b = \sqrt{\Delta} \delta \mathbf{X}^b$$

subspace spanned by  $\sqrt{\Delta} \mathbf{Z}^b$

subspace spanned by  $\sqrt{\Delta} \delta \mathbf{X}^b$

mean

$$\begin{aligned}\delta \bar{\mathbf{x}}^a &= \sqrt{\Delta} \mathbf{Z}^b \tilde{\mathbf{P}}^a (\sqrt{\Delta} \mathbf{Y}^b)^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{d}^{o-b} \\ &= \mathbf{Z}^b \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{P}}^a (\mathbf{Y}^b)^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{d}^{o-b}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\delta \bar{\mathbf{x}}^a &= \sqrt{\Delta} \delta \mathbf{X}^b \hat{\mathbf{P}}^a (\sqrt{\Delta} \delta \mathbf{Y}^b)^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{d}^{o-b} \\ &= \delta \mathbf{X}^b \Delta \hat{\mathbf{P}}^a (\delta \mathbf{Y}^b)^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{d}^{o-b}\end{aligned}$$

ptb

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{Z}^a &= \sqrt{\Delta} \mathbf{Z}^b (\tilde{\mathbf{P}}^a)^{1/2} \\ &= \mathbf{Z}^b (\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{P}}^a)^{1/2} = \mathbf{Z}^b \tilde{\mathbf{W}}_{inf}\end{aligned}$$

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$$\tilde{\mathbf{P}}^b = \mathbf{I}$$

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$$\tilde{\mathbf{P}}^a = [(\tilde{\mathbf{P}}^b)^{-1} + \Delta (\mathbf{Y}^b)^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{Y}^b]^{-1}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{P}}^a = [(\hat{\mathbf{P}}^b)^{-1} + \Delta (\delta \mathbf{Y}^b)^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \delta \mathbf{Y}^b]^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mathbf{P}}^{a'} &= \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{P}}^a = [(\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{P}}^b)^{-1} + (\mathbf{Y}^b)^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{Y}^b]^{-1} \\ &= [\mathbf{I}/\Delta + (\mathbf{Y}^b)^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{Y}^b]^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

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# RTPP

RTPP can be implemented  
within `letkf_core`



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Analysis Equations w/ RTPP

$$\mathbf{Z}_{RTPP}^a = (1 - \alpha) \mathbf{Z}^a + \alpha \mathbf{Z}^b$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \tilde{\mathbf{W}}_{RTPP} = (1 - \alpha) \tilde{\mathbf{W}} + \alpha \mathbf{I} \quad RTPP$$

Analysis Equations w/ RTPP & multiplicative inflation

$$\mathbf{Z}_{RTPP}^a = (1 - \alpha) \mathbf{Z}^a + \alpha \sqrt{\Delta} \mathbf{Z}^b$$

$$\text{where } \mathbf{Z}^a = \mathbf{Z}^b \tilde{\mathbf{W}}_{inf}$$

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*relaxed to inflated prior perturbation*

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Analysis Equations w/ RTPS

$$\mathbf{Z}_{inf,i}^a = (1 - \alpha + \alpha \frac{\sigma_i^b}{\sigma_i^a}) \mathbf{z}_i^a$$

$$\frac{\sigma_i^b}{\sigma_i^a} = \sqrt{\frac{\mathbf{z}_i^b (\mathbf{z}_i^b)^T}{\mathbf{z}_i^a (\mathbf{z}_i^a)^T}} = \sqrt{\frac{\mathbf{z}_i^b (\mathbf{z}_i^b)^T}{\mathbf{z}_i^b \tilde{\mathbf{P}}^a (\mathbf{z}_i^b)^T}}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{W}}_{RTPS} = \left( 1 - \alpha + \alpha \sqrt{\frac{\mathbf{z}_i^b (\mathbf{z}_i^b)^T}{\mathbf{z}_i^b \tilde{\mathbf{P}}^a (\mathbf{z}_i^b)^T}} \right) \tilde{\mathbf{W}}$$

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RTPS cannot be implemented within letkf\_core because of model vars are necessary

# RTPS (cont'd)

Analysis Equations w/ RTPS & multiplicative inflation

$$\mathbf{Z}_{inf,i}^a = (1 - \alpha + \alpha \frac{\sqrt{\Delta} \sigma_i^b}{\sigma_i^a}) \mathbf{Z}_i^a$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{\Delta} \sigma_i^b}{\sigma_i^a} = \sqrt{\frac{\Delta \mathbf{Z}_i^b (\mathbf{Z}_i^b)^T}{\mathbf{Z}_i^b \tilde{\mathbf{W}}_{inf} (\mathbf{Z}_i^b \tilde{\mathbf{W}}_{inf})^T}}$$

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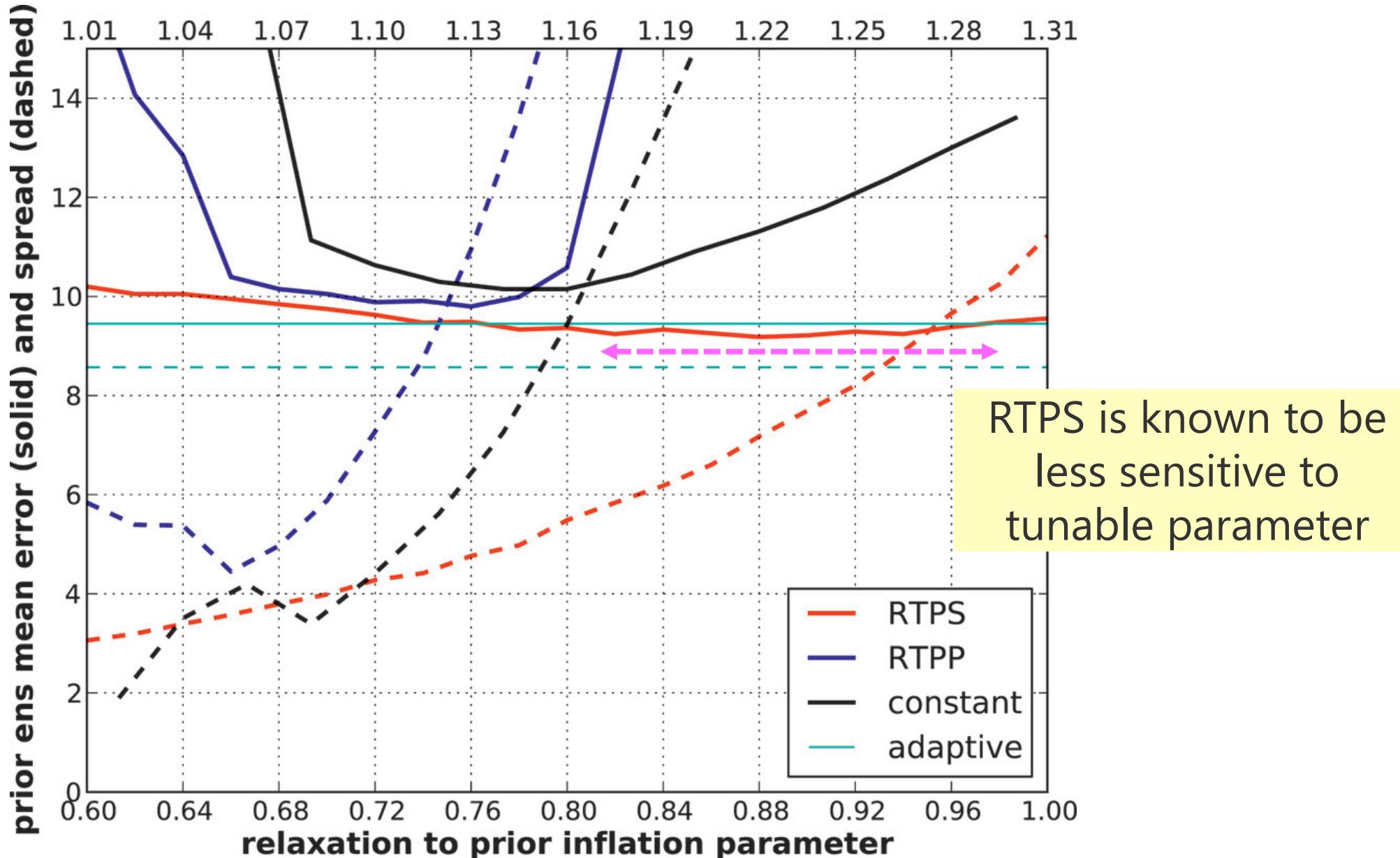
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# Comparison of Inflation Methods

# Sensitivity to tunable parameters

Whitaker and Hamill (2012; MWR)

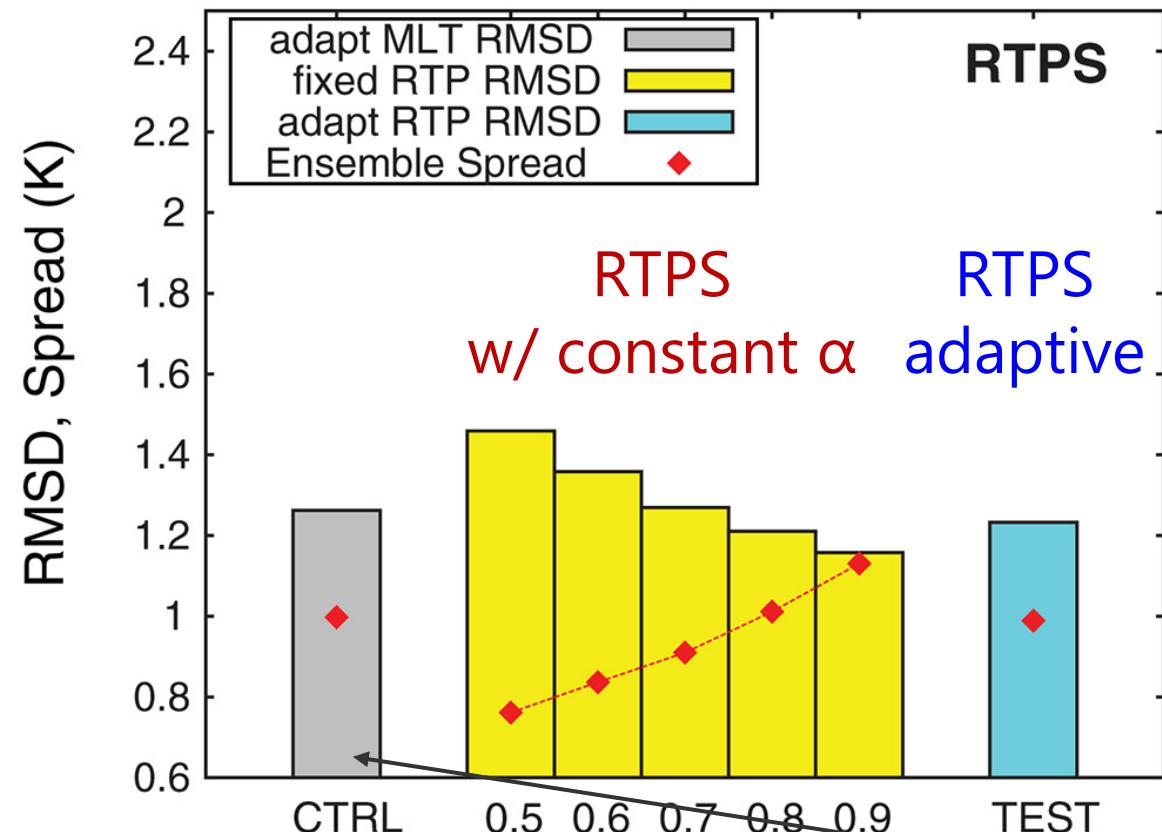


# A case with NICAM-LETKF

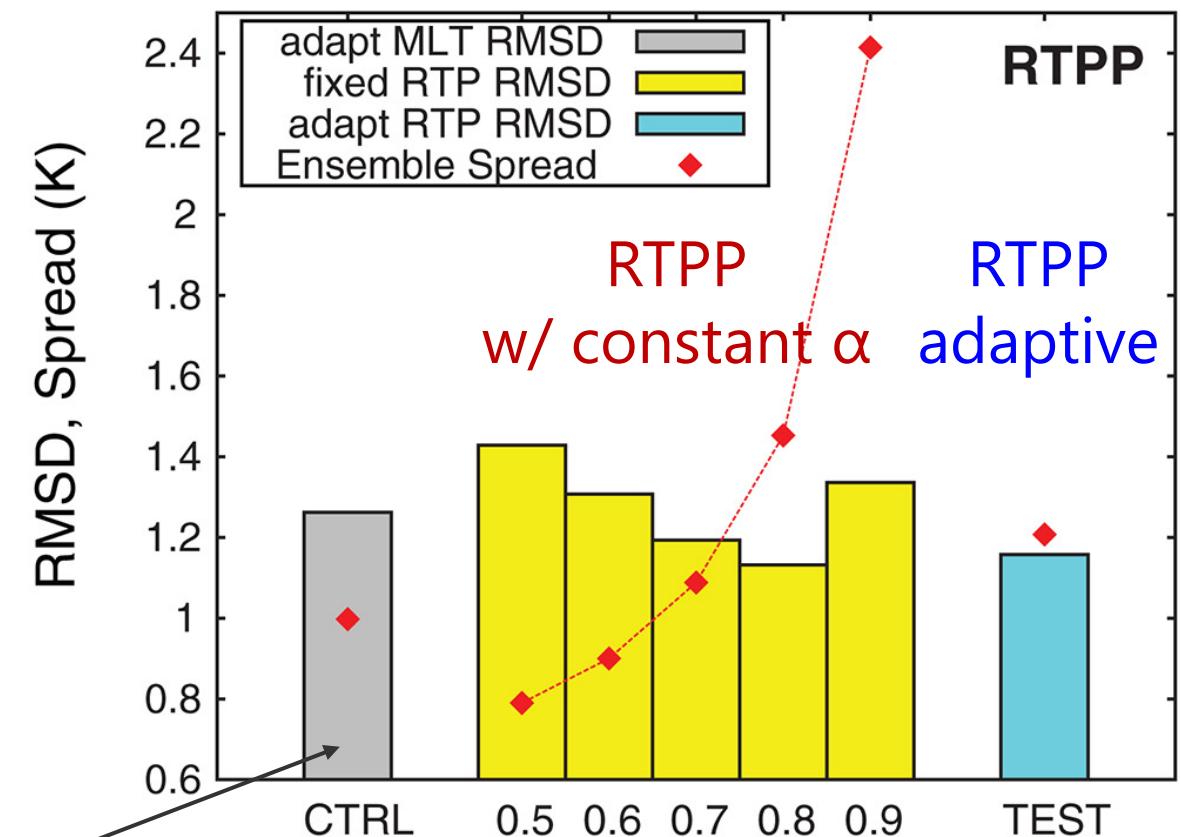
Kotsuki et al. (2017; QJRMS)



(a) FG; RMSD vs. ERA Interim : T (K) at 500 hPa



(b) FG; RMSD vs. ERA Interim : T (K) at 500 hPa



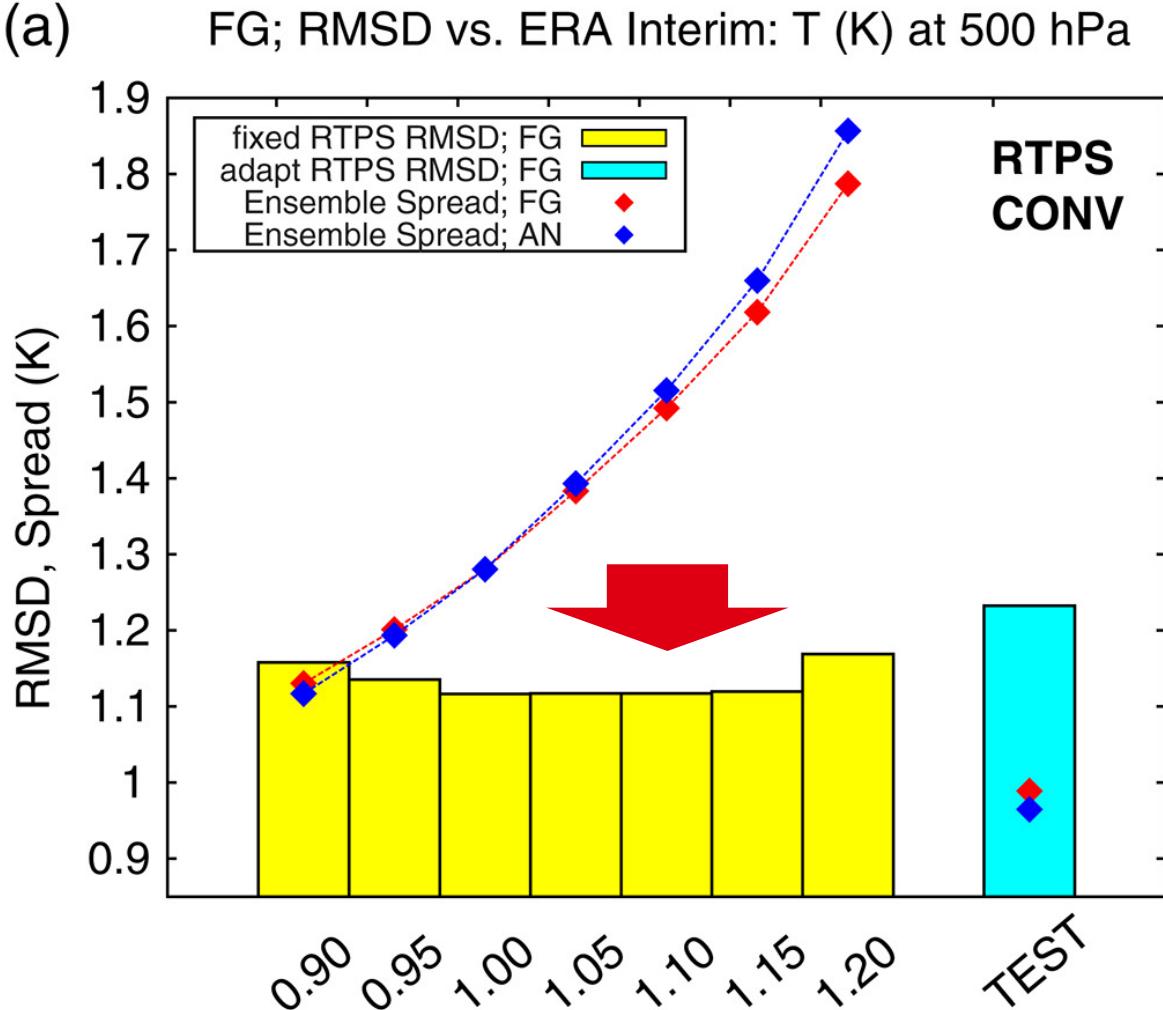
adaptive multiplicative  
(Miyoshi 2011)

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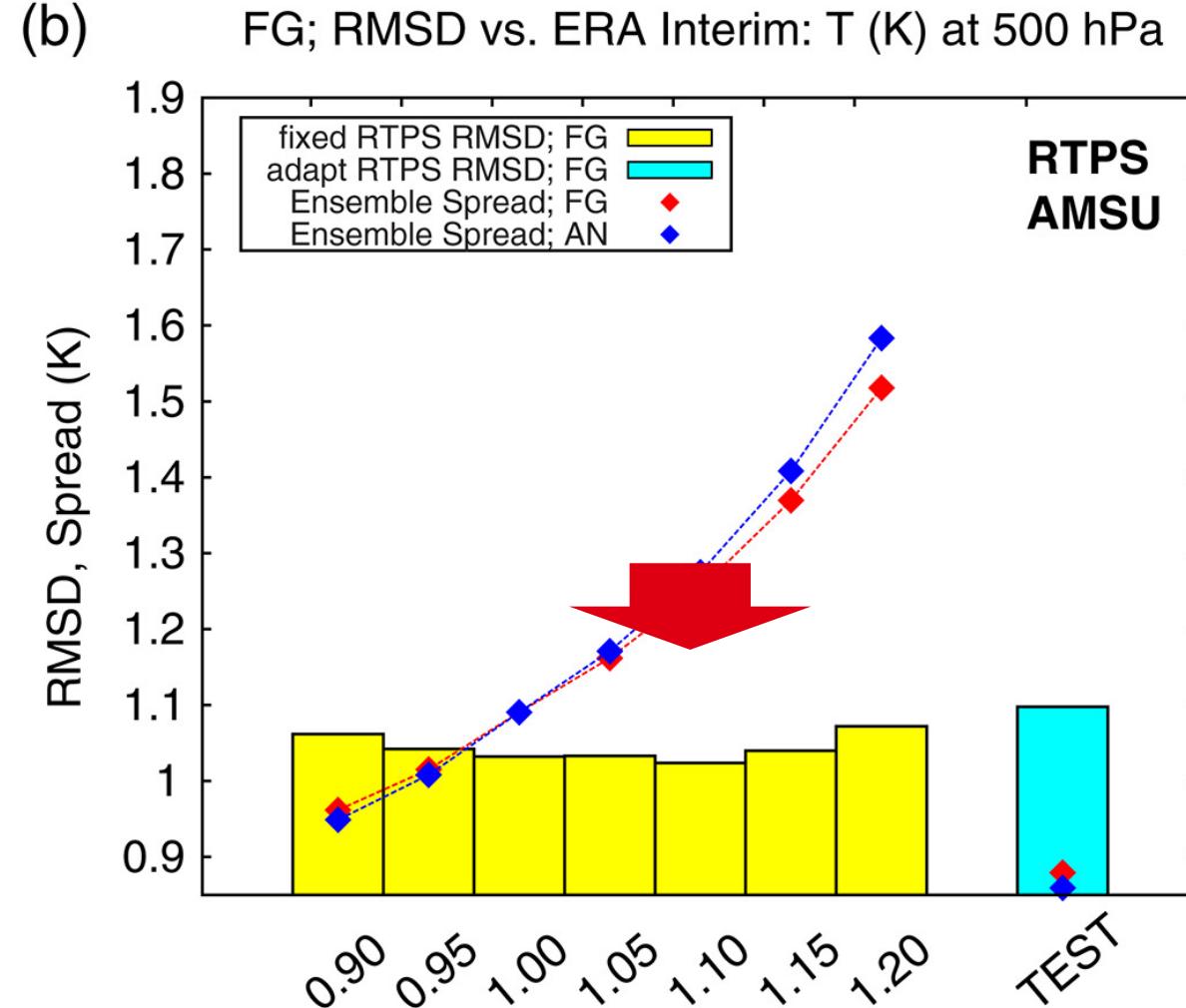
Kotsuki et al. (2017; QJRMS)



(a)



(b)



The optimal relaxation parameter can be  $\alpha > 1.00$ ,  
meaning that posterior spread is than prior spread

# Why does EnKF suffer from analysis overconfidence?



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