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# Supplement to Sampling from a strongly log-concave distribution with the Unadjusted Langevin Algorithm

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#### 1 Discussion of Theorem 3

Note that

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$$u_n^{(2)}(\gamma) \le \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ \mathsf{A}_0 \gamma_i^2 + \mathsf{A}_1 \gamma_i^3 \right\} \prod_{k=i+1}^n (1 - \kappa \gamma_k / 2) \;, \tag{S1}$$

where  $\kappa$  is given by (4), and

$$A_0 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 2L^2 \kappa^{-1} d$$
, (S2) —eq:definition-C0"

$$\mathsf{A}_1 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 2L^2\kappa^{-1}d(m+L)^{-1} + dL^4(\kappa^{-1} + (m+L)^{-1})(m^{-1} + 6^{-1}(m+L)^{-1}) \; . \tag{S3}$$

If  $(\gamma_k)_{k\geq 1}$  is a constant step size  $,\gamma_k=\gamma$  for all  $k\geq 1$ , then a straightforward consequence of Theorem 3 and (S1) if the following result, which gives the minimal number of iterations n and a step-size  $\gamma$  to get  $W_2(\delta_{x^*}Q_{\gamma}^n,\pi)$  smaller than  $\epsilon>0$ .

a step-size  $\gamma$  to get  $W_2(\delta_{x^*}Q_{\gamma}^n, \pi)$  smaller than  $\epsilon > 0$ . Corollary 1 (of Theorem 3). Assume H1 and H2. Let  $x^*$  be the unique minimizer of U. Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ . Set for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\gamma_k = \gamma$  with

$$\gamma = \frac{-2\mathsf{A}_0\kappa^{-1} + (4\kappa^{-1}(\mathsf{A}_0^2\kappa^{-1} + \epsilon^2\mathsf{A}_1))^{1/2}}{4\mathsf{A}_1\kappa^{-1}} \wedge (m+L)^{-1} , \qquad (S4)$$

eq:const gamma target

Then  $W_2(\delta_{x^*}Q_n^{\gamma}, \pi) \leq \epsilon$ .

Note that if  $\gamma$  is given by (S4), and is different from 1/(m+L), then  $\gamma \leq \epsilon (4\mathsf{A}_1\kappa^{-1})^{-1/2}$  and  $2\kappa^{-1}(\mathsf{A}_0\gamma + \mathsf{A}_1\gamma^2) = \epsilon^2/2$ . Therefore,

 $n = \left\lceil 2(\kappa \gamma)^{-1} \left\{ -\log(\epsilon^2/4) + \log(2d/m) \right\} \right\rceil.$ 

$$\gamma \ge (\epsilon^2 \kappa/4) \left\{ \mathsf{A}_0 + \epsilon (\mathsf{A}_1/(4\kappa))^{1/2} \right\}^{-1} \ .$$

It is shown in [1, Corollary 1] that under **H**2, for constant step size for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , we can choose  $\gamma$  and  $n \ge 1$  such that if for all  $k \ge 1$ ,  $\gamma_k = \gamma$ , then  $\|\nu^\star Q_n^\gamma - \pi\|_{\mathrm{TV}} \le \epsilon$  where  $\nu^\star$  is the Gaussian measure on  $\mathbb{R}^d$  with mean  $x^\star$  and covariance matrix  $L^{-1} \, \mathrm{I}_d$ . We stress that the results in [1,

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corollary 1] hold only for a particular choice of the initial distribution  $\nu^*$ , (which might seem a rather artificial assumption) whereas Theorem 3 hold for any initial distribution in  $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

We compare the optimal value of  $\gamma$  and n obtained from Corollary 1 with those given in [1, Corollary 1]. This comparison is summarized in Table 1 and Table 2; for simplicity, we provide only the dependencies of the optimal stepsize  $\gamma$  and minimal number of simulations n as a function of the dimension d, the precision  $\epsilon$  and the constants m, L. It can be seen that the dependency on the dimension is significantly better than those in [1, Corollary 1].

Parameter	d	$\epsilon$	L	m
Theorem 3 and (21)	$d^{-1}$	$\epsilon^2$	$L^{-2}$	$m^2$
[1, Corollary 1]	$d^{-2}$	$\epsilon^2$	$L^{-2}$	m

Table 1: Dependencies of  $\gamma$ 

tab:comparison dalalyan

Parameter	d	$\epsilon$	L	m
Theorem 3 and (21)	$d\log(d)$	$\epsilon^{-2} \left  \log(\epsilon) \right $	$L^2$	$ \log(m)  m^{-3}$
[1, Corollary 1]	$d^3$	$\epsilon^{-2} \left  \log(\epsilon) \right $	$L^3$	$\left \log(m)\right m^{-2}$

Table 2: Dependencies of n

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#### 1.1 Explicit bounds for $\gamma_k = \gamma_1 k^{\alpha}$ with $\alpha \in (0, 1]$

We give here a bound on the sequences  $(u_n^{(1)}(\gamma))_{n\geq 0}$  and  $(u_n^{(2)}(\gamma))_{n\geq 0}$  for  $(\gamma_k)_{k\geq 1}$  defined by  $\gamma_1 < 1/(m+L)$  and  $\gamma_k = \gamma_1 k^{-\alpha}$  for  $\alpha \in (0,1]$ . Also for that purpose we introduce for  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$ ,

$$\psi_{\beta}(t) = \begin{cases} (t^{\beta} - 1)/\beta & \text{for } \beta \neq 0\\ \log(t) & \text{for } \beta = 0 \end{cases}$$
(S5) —eq:def psi'beta"

We easily get for  $a \ge 0$  that for all  $n, p \ge 1, n \le p$ 

$$\psi_{1-a}(p+1) - \psi_{1-a}(n) \le \sum_{k=n}^{p} k^{-a} \le \psi_{1-a}(p) - \psi_{1-a}(n) + 1,$$
 (S6)

and for  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ 

$$\sum_{k=n}^{p} k^{-a} \le \psi_{1-a}(p+1) - \psi_{1-a}(n) + 1 . \tag{S7} \qquad \text{eq:comparison'sum'interval}$$

1. For  $\alpha = 1$ , using that for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $(1+t) \leq e^t$  and by (S6) and (S7), we have

$$u_n^{(1)}(\gamma) \le (n+1)^{-\kappa\gamma_1/2}, \ u_n^{(2)}(\gamma) \le (n+1)^{-\kappa\gamma_1/2} \sum_{j=0}^{1} \mathsf{A}_j(\boldsymbol{\psi}_{\kappa\gamma_1/2-1-j}(n+1)+1).$$

2. For  $\alpha \in (0,1)$ , by (S6) and Lemma 14 applied with  $\ell = \lceil n/2 \rceil$ , where  $\lceil \cdot \rceil$  is the ceiling function, we have

$$\begin{split} u_{n}^{(1)}(\gamma) &\leq \exp\left(-\kappa \gamma_{1} \pmb{\psi}_{1-\alpha}(n+1)/2\right) \\ u_{n}^{(2)}(\gamma) &\leq \sum_{j=0}^{1} \mathsf{A}_{j} \left(2\kappa^{-1} \gamma_{1}^{j+1} (n/2)^{-\alpha(j+1)} + \gamma_{1}^{j+2} \left(\pmb{\psi}_{1-\alpha(j+2)}(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + 1\right) \\ &\times \exp\left\{-(\kappa \gamma_{1}/2) (\pmb{\psi}_{1-\alpha}(n+1) - \pmb{\psi}_{1-\alpha}(\lceil n/2 \rceil))\right\}) \;. \end{split} \tag{S8}$$

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#### 1.2 Optimal strategy with a fixed number of iterations

**Corollary 2.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$  be a fixed number of iteration. Assume H1, H2, and  $(\gamma_k)_{k\geq 1}$  is a constant sequence,  $\gamma_k = \gamma$  for all  $k \geq 1$ . Set

$$\gamma^{+} \stackrel{\text{\tiny def}}{=} 2(\kappa n)^{-1} (\log(\kappa n/2) + \log(2(\|x - x^{\star}\|^{2} + d/m)) - \log(2\kappa^{-1}\mathsf{A}_{0}))$$

$$\gamma_{-} \stackrel{\text{\tiny def}}{=} 2(\kappa n)^{-1} (\log(\kappa n/2) + \log(2(\|x - x^{\star}\|^{2} + d/m)) - \log(2\kappa^{-1}(\mathsf{A}_{0} + 2\mathsf{A}_{1}(m + L)^{-1}))) .$$

Assume  $\gamma^+ \in (0, (m+L)^{-1})$ . Then, the optimal choice of  $\gamma$  to minimize the bound on  $W_2(\delta_x Q_n^{\gamma}, \pi)$  given by Theorem 3 belongs to  $[\gamma_-, \gamma^+]$ . Moreover if  $\gamma = \gamma_+$ , then the bound on  $W_2^2(\delta_x Q_n^{\gamma}, \pi)$  is equivalent to  $4\mathsf{A}_0(\kappa^2 n)^{-1}\log(\kappa n/2)$  as  $n \to +\infty$ .

Similarly, we have the following result.

**Corollary 3.** Assume **H**1 and **H**2. Let  $(\gamma_k)_{k\geq 1}$  be the decreasing sequence, defined by  $\gamma_k = \gamma_{\alpha} k^{-\alpha}$ , with  $\alpha \in (0,1)$ . Let  $n \geq 1$  and set

$$\gamma_{\alpha} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 2(1-\alpha)\kappa^{-1}(2/n)^{1-\alpha}\log(\kappa n/(2(1-\alpha)))$$
.

Assume  $\gamma_{\alpha} \in (0, (m+L)^{-1})$ . Then the bound on  $W_2^2(\delta_x Q_n^{\gamma}, \pi)$  given by Theorem 3 is smaller for large n than  $8(1-\alpha)A_0(\kappa^2 n)^{-1}\log(\kappa n/(2(1-\alpha)))$ .

*Proof.* Follows from (S1), (S8) and the choice of 
$$\gamma_{\alpha}$$
.

#### 2 Discussion of Theorem 6

Based on Theorem 6, we can follow the same discussion than for Theorem 3. Note that

$$u_n^{(3)}(\gamma) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ \mathsf{B}_0 \gamma_i^3 + \mathsf{B}_1 \gamma_i^4 \right\} \prod_{k=i+1}^n \left(1 - \kappa \gamma_k / 2\right) \,, \tag{S9} \qquad \text{$-\mathsf{eq:bound'u'n'3D''}$}$$

where  $\kappa$  is given by (4), and

$$\mathsf{B}_0 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} d \left( 2L^2 + \kappa^{-1} (\tilde{L}^2/3 + 4L^4/(3m)) \right) \; , \tag{S10}$$

$$\mathsf{B}_1 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} d\left(\kappa^{-1}L^4 + L^4(1/(6(m+L)) + m^{-1})\right) \ . \tag{S11}$$

The following result gives the minimal number of iterations n and a step-size  $\gamma$  to get  $W_2(\delta_{x^*}Q_{\gamma}^n, \pi)$  smaller than  $\epsilon > 0$ , when  $(\gamma_k)_{k \geq 1}$  is a constant step size,  $\gamma_k = \gamma$  for all  $k \geq 1$ .

**Corollary 4** (of Theorem 6). Assume H1, H2 and H3. Let  $x^*$  be the unique minimizer of U. Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ . Set for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\gamma_k = \gamma$  with

$$\gamma = (\epsilon/2)\kappa^{-1}(\mathsf{B}_0 + \mathsf{B}_1(m+L)^{-1})^{-1/2}, \tag{S12}$$

eq:const<sup>'</sup>gamma<sup>'</sup>target

$$n = \left\lceil 2(\kappa \gamma)^{-1} \left\{ -\log(\epsilon^2/4) + \log(2d/m) \right\} \right\rceil . \tag{S13}$$

Then  $W_2(\delta_{x^*}Q_n^{\gamma}, \pi) \leq \epsilon$ .

We provide only the dependencies of the optimal stepsize  $\gamma$  and minimal number of simulations n as a function of the dimension d, the precision  $\epsilon$  and the constants  $m, L, \tilde{L}$  in Table 3 and Table 4.

Parameter	d	$\epsilon$	L	m
Theorem 6 and (21)	$d^{-1/2}$	$\epsilon$	$L^{-7/2}$	$m^2$

Table 3: Dependencies of  $\gamma$ 

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Parameter	$a$	$\epsilon$	L	m
Theorem 6 and (21)	$d^{1/2}\log(d)$	$\epsilon^{-1} \left  \log(\epsilon) \right $	$L^{9/2}$	$ \log(m)  m^{-3}$

Table 4: Dependencies of n

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#### **2.1** Explicit bounds for $\gamma_k = \gamma_1 k^{\alpha}$ with $\alpha \in (0,1]$

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coro:fixed iteration D

We give here a bound on the sequence  $(u_n^{(3)}(\gamma))_{n\geq 0}$  for  $(\gamma_k)_{k\geq 1}$  defined by  $\gamma_1 < 1/(m+L)$  and  $\gamma_k = \gamma_1 k^{-\alpha}$  for  $\alpha \in (0,1]$ . Bounds for  $(u_n^{(1)}(\gamma))_{n\geq 0}$  have already been given in Section 1.1. Recall that the function  $\psi$  is defined by (S5).

1. For  $\alpha = 1$ , using that for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $(1+t) \leq e^t$  and by (S6) and (S7), we have

$$u_n^{(3)}(\gamma) \le (n+1)^{-\kappa\gamma_1/2} \sum_{j=1}^2 \mathsf{B}_{j-1}(\boldsymbol{\psi}_{\kappa\gamma_1/2-1-j}(n+1)+1) \ .$$

2. For  $\alpha \in (0,1)$ , by (S6) and Lemma 14 applied with  $\ell = \lceil n/2 \rceil$ , where  $\lceil \cdot \rceil$  is the ceiling function, we have

$$u_n^{(3)}(\gamma) \le \sum_{j=1}^2 \mathsf{B}_{j-1} \left( 2\kappa^{-1} \gamma_1^{j+1} (n/2)^{-\alpha(j+1)} + \gamma_1^{j+2} \left( \psi_{1-\alpha(j+2)}(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + 1 \right) \right) \times \exp \left\{ -(\kappa \gamma_1/2) \left( \psi_{1-\alpha}(n+1) - \psi_{1-\alpha}(\lceil n/2 \rceil) \right) \right\} . \tag{S14}$$

## .2 Optimal strategy with a fixed number of iterations

**Corollary 5.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$  be a fixed number of iteration. Assume **H**1, **H**2, **H**3 and  $(\gamma_k)_{k\geq 1}$  is a constant sequence,  $\gamma_k = \gamma^*$  for all  $k \geq 1$ , with

$$\gamma^* = 4(\kappa n)^{-1} \left\{ \log(\kappa n/2) + \log(2(\|x - x^*\|^2 + d/m)) \right\}.$$

Assume  $\gamma^* \in (0, (m+L)^{-1})$ . Then the bound on  $W_2^2(\delta_x Q_n^{\gamma}, \pi)$  given by Theorem 6 is of order  $\mathcal{O}(\mathsf{B}_0(\kappa^2 n)^{-2}\log^2(n))$  as  $n \to +\infty$ .

Similarly, we have the following result.

Corollary 6. Assume H1, H2 and H3. Let  $(\gamma_k)_{k\geq 1}$  be the decreasing sequence, defined by  $\gamma_k = \gamma_\alpha k^{-\alpha}$ , with  $\alpha \in (0,1)$ . Let  $n \geq 1$  and set

$$\gamma_{\alpha} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 2(1-\alpha)\kappa^{-1}(2/n)^{1-\alpha}\log(\kappa n/(2(1-\alpha))).$$

Assume  $\gamma_{\alpha} \in (0, (m+L)^{-1})$ . Then the bound on  $W_2^2(\delta_x Q_n^{\gamma}, \pi)$  given by Theorem 3 is smaller for large n than  $\mathcal{O}(\mathsf{B}_0(\kappa^2 n)^{-2}\log^2(n))$ .

*Proof.* Follows from (S9), (S14) and the choice of  $\gamma_{\alpha}$ .

#### $\mathbf{3}$ Generalization of Theorem 3

In this section, we weaken the assumption  $\gamma_1 \leq 1/(m+L)$  of Theorem 3. We assume now:

assum:gamma sum

**G1.** The sequence  $(\gamma_k)_{k\geq 1}$  is non-increasing, and there exists  $\rho>0$  and  $n_1$  such that  $(1+\rho)\gamma_{n_1}\leq 1$ 2/(m+L).

Under G1, we denote by

$$n_0 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \min \left\{ k \in \mathbb{N} \mid \gamma_k \le 2/(m+L) \right\} \tag{S15} \qquad \text{-eq:def:index'n'0''}$$

Denote in the sequel  $(\cdot)_+ = \max(\cdot, 0)$ . Recall that under **H**2,  $x^*$  is the unique minimizer of U, and  $\kappa$  is defined in (6)

theo:kind'drift'annexe

**Theorem S7.** Assume **H**1, **H**2 and **G**1. Then for all  $n, p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $n \leq p$ 

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \|x - x^*\|^2 \,\mu_0 Q_n^p(\mathrm{d}x) \le E_{n,p}(\mu_0, \gamma) \;,$$

where

$$\begin{split} E_{n,p}(\mu_0,\gamma) &\stackrel{\scriptscriptstyle def}{=} \exp\left(-\sum_{k=n}^p \gamma_k \kappa + \sum_{k=n}^{n_0-1} L^2 \gamma_k^2\right) \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \|x-x^\star\|^2 \, \mu_0(\mathrm{d}x) \\ &+ 2 d\kappa^{-1} + 2 d \left\{\prod_{k=n}^{n_0-1} (\gamma_{n_0-1} L^2)^{-1} \left(1 + L^2 \gamma_k^2\right)\right\} \exp\left(-\sum_{k=n}^p \kappa \gamma_k + \sum_{k=n}^{n_0-1} \gamma_k^2 m L\right) \; . \quad \text{(S16)} \quad \boxed{-\text{eq:def borneKindDriftA}} \end{split}$$

*Proof.* For any  $\gamma > 0$ , we have for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ :

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \|y - x^*\|^2 R_{\gamma}(x, dy) = \|x - \gamma \nabla U(x) - x^*\|^2 + 2\gamma d.$$

Using that  $\nabla U(x^*) = 0$ , (4) and **H**1, we get from the previous inequality:

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^{d}} \|y - x^{\star}\|^{2} R_{\gamma}(x, dy) 
\leq (1 - \kappa \gamma) \|x - x^{\star}\|^{2} + \gamma \left(\gamma - \frac{2}{m+L}\right) \|\nabla U(x) - \nabla U(x^{\star})\|^{2} + 2\gamma d 
\leq \eta(\gamma) \|x - x^{\star}\|^{2} + 2\gamma d ,$$

where  $\eta(\gamma) = (1 - \kappa \gamma + \gamma L(\gamma - 2/(m+L))_+)$ . Denote for all  $k \geq 1$ ,  $\eta_k = \eta(\gamma_k)$ . By a straightforward induction, we have by definition of  $Q_n^p$  for  $p, n \in \mathbb{N}, p \leq n$ ,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \|x - x^*\|^2 \,\mu_0 Q_n^p(\mathrm{d}x) \le \prod_{k=1}^p \,\eta_k \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \|x - x^*\| \,\mu_0(\mathrm{d}x) + (2d) \sum_{k=1}^p \prod_{k=1}^p \eta_k \gamma_k \,, \tag{S17}$$

with the convention that for  $n, p \in \mathbb{N}$ , n < p,  $\prod_{p=1}^{n} = 1$ . For the first term of the right hand side, we simply use the bound, for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $(1+x) \leq e^x$ , and we get by  $\mathbf{G}1$ 

$$\prod_{k=0}^{p} \eta_k \le \exp\left(-\sum_{k=0}^{p} \kappa \gamma_k + \sum_{k=0}^{n_0-1} L^2 \gamma_k^2\right) , \tag{S18}$$

where  $n_0$  is defined in (S15). Consider now the second term in the right hand side of (S17).

$$\sum_{i=n}^{p} \prod_{k=i+1}^{p} \eta_{k} \gamma_{i} \leq \sum_{i=n_{0}}^{p} \prod_{k=i+1}^{p} (1 - \kappa \gamma_{k}) \gamma_{i} + \sum_{i=n}^{n_{0}-1} \prod_{k=i+1}^{p} \eta_{k} \gamma_{i}$$

$$\leq \kappa^{-1} \sum_{i=n_{0}}^{p} \left\{ \prod_{k=i+1}^{p} (1 - \kappa \gamma_{k}) - \prod_{k=i}^{p} (1 - \kappa \gamma_{k}) \right\}$$

$$+ \left\{ \sum_{i=n}^{n_{0}-1} \prod_{k=i+1}^{n_{0}-1} (1 + L^{2} \gamma_{k}^{2}) \gamma_{i} \right\} \prod_{k=n_{0}}^{p} (1 - \kappa \gamma_{k}) \tag{S19}$$

Since  $(\gamma_k)_{k>1}$  is nonincreasing, we have

$$\sum_{i=n}^{n_0-1} \prod_{k=i+1}^{n_0-1} \left( 1 + L^2 \gamma_k^2 \right) \gamma_i = \sum_{i=n}^{n_0-1} (\gamma_i L^2)^{-1} \left\{ \prod_{k=i}^{n_0-1} \left( 1 + L^2 \gamma_k^2 \right) - \prod_{k=i+1}^{n_0-1} \left( 1 + L^2 \gamma_k^2 \right) \right\}$$

$$\leq \prod_{k=n}^{n_0-1} (\gamma_{n_0-1} L^2)^{-1} \left( 1 + L^2 \gamma_k^2 \right) .$$

Furthermore for  $k < n_0 \ \gamma_k > 2/(m+L)$ . This implies with the bound  $(1+x) \le e^x$  on  $\mathbb{R}$ :

$$\prod_{k=n_0}^{p} (1 - \kappa \gamma_k) \le \exp\left(-\sum_{k=n}^{p} \kappa \gamma_k\right) \exp\left(\sum_{k=n}^{n_0 - 1} \kappa \gamma_k\right) 
\le \exp\left(-\sum_{k=n}^{p} \kappa \gamma_k\right) \exp\left(\sum_{k=n}^{n_0 - 1} \gamma_k^2 m L\right) .$$

Using the two previous inequalities in (S19), we get

$$\sum_{i=n}^{p} \prod_{k=i+1}^{p} \eta_k \gamma_i \le \kappa^{-1} + \left\{ \prod_{k=n}^{n_0 - 1} (\gamma_{n_0 - 1} L^2)^{-1} \left( 1 + L^2 \gamma_k^2 \right) \right\} \exp\left( -\sum_{k=n}^{p} \kappa \gamma_k + \sum_{k=n}^{n_0 - 1} \gamma_k^2 m L \right) . \tag{S20}$$

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Combining (S18) and (S20) in (S17) concluded the proof.

We now deal with bounds on  $W_2(\mu_0 Q_{\gamma}^n, \pi)$  under **G**1. But before we preface our result by some technical lemmas.

**Lemma S8.** Assume **H**1 and **H**2. Let  $\zeta_0 \in \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d)$ ,  $(Y_t, \overline{Y}_t)_{t\geq 0}$  such that  $(Y_0, \overline{Y}_0)$  is distributed according to  $\zeta_0$  and given by (12). Let  $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t\geq 0}$  be the filtration associated with  $(B_t)_{t\geq 0}$  with  $\mathcal{F}_0$ , the  $\sigma$ -field generated by  $(Y_0, \overline{Y}_0)$ . Then for all  $n \geq 0$ ,  $\epsilon_1 > 0$  and  $\epsilon_2 > 0$ ,

$$\mathbb{E}^{\mathcal{F}_{\Gamma_{n}}} \left[ \left\| Y_{\Gamma_{n+1}} - \overline{Y}_{\Gamma_{n+1}} \right\|^{2} \right]$$

$$\leq \left\{ 1 - \gamma_{n+1} \left( \kappa - 2\epsilon_{1} \right) + \gamma_{n+1} L \left( (1 + \epsilon_{2}) \gamma_{n+1} - 2/(m+L) \right)_{+} \right\} \left\| Y_{\Gamma_{n}} - \overline{Y}_{\Gamma_{n}} \right\|^{2}$$

$$+ \gamma_{n+1}^{2} \left( 1/(2\epsilon_{1}) + (1 + \epsilon_{2}^{-1}) \gamma_{n+1} \right) \left( dL^{2} + \left( L^{4} \gamma_{n+1}/2 \right) \|Y_{\Gamma_{n}} - x^{\star}\|^{2} + dL^{4} \gamma_{n+1}^{2}/12 \right) .$$

*Proof.* Let  $n \ge 0$  and  $\epsilon_1 > 0$ , and set  $\Delta_n = Y_{\Gamma_n} - \overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}$  by definition we have:

$$\mathbb{E}^{\mathcal{F}_{\Gamma_n}} \left[ \|\Delta_{n+1}\|^2 \right] = \|\Delta_n\|^2 + \mathbb{E}^{\mathcal{F}_{\Gamma_n}} \left[ \left\| \int_{\Gamma_n}^{\Gamma_{n+1}} \left\{ \nabla U(Y_s) - \nabla U(\overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}) \right\} ds \right\|^2 \right]$$

$$-2\gamma_{n+1} \left\langle \Delta_n, \nabla U(Y_{\Gamma_n}) - \nabla U(\overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}) \right\rangle - 2 \int_{\Gamma_n}^{\Gamma_{n+1}} \mathbb{E}^{\mathcal{F}_{\Gamma_n}} \left[ \left\langle \Delta_n, \left\{ \nabla U(Y_s) - \nabla U(Y_{\Gamma_n}) \right\} \right\rangle ds \right] .$$

Using the two inequalities  $|\langle a,b\rangle| \leq \epsilon_1 ||a||^2 + (4\epsilon_1)^{-1} ||b||^2$  and (4), we get

$$\mathbb{E}^{\mathcal{F}_{\Gamma_{n}}} \left[ \|\Delta_{n+1}\|^{2} \right] \leq \left\{ 1 - \gamma_{n+1}(\kappa - 2\epsilon_{1}) \right\} \|\Delta_{n}\|^{2} - 2\gamma_{n+1}/(m+L) \|\nabla U(Y_{\Gamma_{n}}) - \nabla U(\overline{Y}_{\Gamma_{n}}) \|^{2} \\
+ \mathbb{E}^{\mathcal{F}_{\Gamma_{n}}} \left[ \left\| \int_{\Gamma_{n}}^{\Gamma_{n+1}} \left\{ \nabla U(Y_{s}) - \nabla U(\overline{Y}_{\Gamma_{n}}) \right\} ds \right\|^{2} \right] + \frac{1}{2\epsilon_{1}} \int_{\Gamma_{n}}^{\Gamma_{n+1}} \mathbb{E}^{\mathcal{F}_{\Gamma_{n}}} \left[ \|\nabla U(Y_{s}) - \nabla U(Y_{\Gamma_{n}}) \|^{2} \right] ds .$$
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Using  $\|a+b\|^2 \le (1+\epsilon_2) \|a\|^2 + (1+\epsilon_2^{-1}) \|b\|^2$  and the Jensen's inequality, we have

$$\mathbb{E}^{\mathcal{F}_{\Gamma_n}} \left[ \left\| \int_{\Gamma_n}^{\Gamma_{n+1}} \left\{ \nabla U(Y_s) - \nabla U(\overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}) \right\} ds \right\|^2 \right] \leq (1 + \epsilon_2) \gamma_{n+1}^2 \left\| \nabla U(Y_{\Gamma_n}) - \nabla U(\overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}) \right\|^2$$

$$\gamma_{n+1} \mathbb{E}^{\mathcal{F}_{\Gamma_n}} \left[ \int_{\Gamma_n}^{\Gamma_{n+1}} \left\| \nabla U(Y_s) - \nabla U(Y_{\Gamma_n}) \right\|^2 ds \right].$$

This result and **H**1 imply,

$$\mathbb{E}^{\mathcal{F}_{\Gamma_n}} \left[ \|\Delta_{n+1}\|^2 \right] \le \left\{ 1 - \gamma_{n+1} (\kappa - 2\epsilon_1) + \gamma_{n+1} L((1+\epsilon_2)\gamma_{n+1} - 2/(m+L))_+ \right\} \|\Delta_n\|^2$$

$$+ \left( (1+\epsilon_2^{-1})\gamma_{n+1} + (2\epsilon_1)^{-1} \right) \int_{\Gamma_n}^{\Gamma_{n+1}} \mathbb{E}^{\mathcal{F}_{\Gamma_n}} \left[ \|\nabla U(Y_s) - \nabla U(Y_{\Gamma_n})\|^2 \right] ds . \quad (S22)$$

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By **H**1, the Markov property of  $(Y_t)_{t\geq 0}$  and ((ii)), we have

$$\int_{\Gamma_n}^{\Gamma_{n+1}} \mathbb{E}^{\mathcal{F}_{\Gamma_n}} \left[ \|\nabla U(Y_s) - \nabla U(Y_{\Gamma_n})\|^2 \right] ds$$

$$\leq L^2 \left( d\gamma_{n+1}^2 + dL^2 \gamma_{n+1}^4 / 12 + (L^2 \gamma_{n+1}^3 / 2) \|Y_{\Gamma_n} - x^*\|^2 \right) .$$

Plugging this bound in (S22) concludes the proof.

**Lemma S9.** Let  $(\gamma_k)_{k\geq 1}$  be a nonincreasing sequence of positive numbers. Let  $\varpi, \beta > 0$  be positive constants satisfying  $\varpi^2 \leq 4\beta$  and  $\tau > 0$ . Assume there exists  $N \geq 1$ ,  $\gamma_N \leq \tau$  and  $\gamma_N \varpi \leq 1$ . Then for all  $n \geq 0$ ,  $j \geq 2$ 

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(i)

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \prod_{k=i+1}^{n+1} (1 - \gamma_k \varpi + \gamma_k \beta (\gamma_k - \tau)_+) \gamma_i^j \leq \sum_{i=N}^{n+1} \prod_{k=i+1}^{n+1} (1 - \gamma_k \varpi) \gamma_i^j + \left\{ \beta^{-1} \gamma_1^{j-2} \prod_{k=1}^{N-1} (1 + \gamma_k^2 \beta) \right\} \prod_{k=N}^{n+1} (1 - \varpi \gamma_k) .$$

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(ii) For all  $\ell \in \{N, \ldots, n\}$ ,

$$\sum_{i=N}^{n+1} \prod_{k=i+1}^{n+1} \left(1 - \gamma_k \varpi\right) \gamma_i^j \le \exp\left(-\sum_{k=\ell}^{n+1} \varpi \gamma_k\right) \sum_{i=N}^{\ell-1} \gamma_i^j + \frac{\gamma_\ell^{j-1}}{\varpi} \ .$$

*Proof.* By definition of N we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \prod_{k=i+1}^{N-1} (1 - \gamma_k \varpi + \gamma_k \beta(\gamma_k - \tau)_+) \gamma_i^j$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=N}^{n+1} \prod_{k=i+1}^{n+1} (1 - \gamma_k \varpi) \gamma_i^j + \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \prod_{k=i+1}^{N-1} (1 + \gamma_k^2 \beta) \gamma_i^j \right\} \prod_{k=N}^{n+1} (1 - \gamma_k \varpi) . \tag{S23}$$

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Using that  $(\gamma_k)_{k>1}$  is nonincreasing, we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \prod_{k=i+1}^{N-1} (1 + \gamma_k^2 \beta) \gamma_i^j \leq \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \frac{\gamma_i^{j-2}}{\beta} \left\{ \prod_{k=i}^{N-1} (1 + \gamma_k^2 \beta) - \prod_{k=i+1}^{N-1} (1 + \gamma_k^2 \beta) \right\} \\
\leq \beta^{-1} \gamma_1^{j-2} \prod_{k=1}^{N-1} (1 + \gamma_k^2 \beta) .$$

Plugging this inequality in (S23) concludes the proof of (i). Let  $\ell \in \{N, \dots, n+1\}$ . Since  $(\gamma_k)_{k\geq 1}$  is nonincreasing and for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $(1+x) \leq e^x$ , we get

$$\sum_{i=N}^{n+1} \prod_{k=i+1}^{n+1} (1 - \gamma_k \varpi) \, \gamma_i^j = \sum_{i=N}^{\ell-1} \prod_{k=i+1}^{n+1} (1 - \gamma_k \varpi) \, \gamma_i^j + \sum_{i=\ell}^{n+1} \prod_{k=i+1}^{n+1} (1 - \gamma_k \varpi) \, \gamma_i^j$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=N}^{\ell-1} \exp\left(-\sum_{k=i+1}^{n+1} \varpi \gamma_k\right) \gamma_i^j + \gamma_\ell^{j-1} \sum_{i=\ell}^{n+1} \prod_{k=i+1}^{n+1} (1 - \gamma_k \varpi) \, \gamma_i$$

$$\leq \exp\left(-\sum_{k=\ell}^{n+1} \varpi \gamma_k\right) \sum_{i=N}^{\ell-1} \gamma_i^j + \frac{\gamma_\ell^{j-1}}{\varpi} \, .$$

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**Lemma S10.** Let  $(\gamma_k)_{k\geq 1}$  be a nonincreasing sequence of positive numbers,  $\varpi, \beta, \tau > 0$  be positive real numbers, and  $N \geq 1$  satisfying the assumptions of Lemma S9. Let  $P \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $C_i \geq 0$ ,  $i = 0, \ldots, P$  be positive constants and  $(u_n)_{n\geq 0}$  be a sequence of real numbers with  $u_0 \geq 0$  satisfying for all  $n \geq 0$ 

$$u_{n+1} \le (1 - \gamma_{n+1} \varpi + \beta \gamma_{n+1} (\gamma_{n+1} - \tau)_+) u_n + \sum_{i=0}^{\mathsf{P}} C_j \gamma_{n+1}^{j+2}.$$

Then for all  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$u_n \le \left\{ \prod_{k=1}^{N-1} (1 + \beta \gamma_k^2) \right\} \prod_{k=N}^n (1 - \gamma_k \varpi) u_0 + \sum_{j=0}^{\mathsf{P}} C_j \sum_{i=N}^n \prod_{k=i+1}^n (1 - \gamma_k \varpi) \gamma_i^{j+2} + \left\{ \sum_{j=0}^{\mathsf{P}} C_j \beta^{-1} \gamma_1^j \prod_{k=1}^{N-1} (1 + \gamma_k^2 \beta) \right\} \prod_{k=N}^n (1 - \varpi \gamma_k) .$$

*Proof.* This is a consequence of a straightforward induction and Lemma S9-(i).

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**Proposition S11.** Assume H 1, H 2 and G 1. Let  $x^*$  be the unique minimizer of U. Let  $\zeta_0 \in \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d)$ ,  $(Y_t, \overline{Y}_t)_{t \geq 0}$  such that  $(Y_0, \overline{Y}_0)$  is distributed according to  $\zeta_0$  and given by (12). Then for all  $n \geq 0$  and  $t \in [\Gamma_n, \Gamma_{n+1}]$ :

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left\|Y_{t} - \overline{Y}_{t}\right\|^{2}\right] \leq \tilde{u}_{n}^{(1)} \mathbb{E}\left[\left\|Y_{0} - \overline{Y}_{0}\right\|^{2}\right] + \tilde{u}_{n}^{(4)} + \tilde{u}_{t,n}^{(5)},$$

where

$$\tilde{u}_n^{(1)}(\gamma) \stackrel{\text{\tiny def}}{=} \left\{ \prod_{k=1}^{n_1-1} \left(1 + L^2(1+\rho)\gamma_k^2\right) \right\} \prod_{k=n_1}^n \left(1 - \kappa \gamma_k/2\right) , \tag{S24}$$

$$\begin{split} \tilde{u}_n^{(4)}(\gamma) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{i=n_1}^n \gamma_i^2 \mathsf{f}(\gamma_i) \prod_{k=i+1}^n (1 - \kappa \gamma_k / 2) \\ &+ \mathsf{f}(\gamma_1) (L^2 (1 + \rho))^{-1} \left\{ \prod_{k=1}^{n_1 - 1} (1 + \gamma_k^2 (1 + \rho) L^2) \right\} \prod_{k=n_1}^n (1 - \kappa \gamma_k / 2) \;, \end{split}$$

where for  $\gamma > 0$ ,

$$f(\gamma) = \left\{ 2\kappa^{-1} + (1 + \rho^{-1})\gamma \right\} (dL^2 + \delta L^4 \gamma / 2 + dL^4 \gamma^2 / 12) ,$$
  
$$\delta = \max_{i \ge 1} \left\{ e^{-2m\Gamma_{i-1}} \mathbb{E} \left[ \|Y_0 - x^*\|^2 \right] + (1 - e^{-2m\Gamma_{i-1}}) (d/m) \right\} ,$$

and

$$\tilde{u}_{t,n}^{(5)}(\gamma) \stackrel{\text{\tiny def}}{=} \frac{m+L}{2} \left( \frac{(t-\Gamma_n)^3 L^2}{3} E_{1,n}(\mu_0,\gamma) + (t-\Gamma_n)^2 d \right) ,$$

where  $E_{1,n}(\mu_0,\gamma)$  is given by (S16) and  $\mu_0$  is the initial distribution of  $\overline{Y}_0$ .

*Proof.* Lemma S8 with  $\epsilon_1 = \kappa/4$  and  $\epsilon_2 = \rho$ , **G**1, Lemma S9, ((i)) imply for all  $n \geq 0$ 

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left\|Y_{\Gamma_n} - \overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}\right\|^2\right] \le \tilde{u}_n^{(1)}(\gamma) \mathbb{E}\left[\left\|Y_0 - \overline{Y}_0\right\|^2\right] + \tilde{u}_n^{(4)}(\gamma) . \tag{S25}$$

Now let  $n \geq 0$  and  $t \in [\Gamma_n, \Gamma_{n+1}]$ . By (12),

$$\left\|Y_t - \overline{Y}_t\right\|^2 = \left\|Y_{\Gamma_n} - \overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}\right\|^2 - 2\int_{\Gamma_n}^t \left\langle \nabla U(Y_s) - \nabla U(\overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}), Y_s - \overline{Y}_s \right\rangle \mathrm{d}s \ . \tag{S26}$$

Moreover for all  $s \in [\Gamma_n, \Gamma_{n+1}]$ , by (4) we get

$$\begin{split} \left\langle \nabla U(Y_s) - \nabla U(\overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}), Y_s - \overline{Y}_s \right\rangle &= \left\langle \nabla U(Y_s) - \nabla U(\overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}), Y_s - \overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n} + \overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n} - \overline{Y}_s \right\rangle \\ &\geq (m+L)^{-1} \left\| \nabla U(Y_s) - \nabla U(\overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}) \right\|^2 + \left\langle \nabla U(Y_s) - \nabla U(\overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}), \overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n} - \overline{Y}_s \right\rangle \;. \end{split} \tag{S27} \quad \text{$$-\text{eq:using`convexity`dist}$}$$

Since  $|\langle a, b \rangle| \le (m+L)^{-1} ||a||^2 + (m+L) ||b||^2 / 4$ , we have

$$\left\langle \nabla U(Y_s) - \nabla U(\overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}), \overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n} - \overline{Y}_s \right\rangle \geq -(m+L)^{-1} \left\| \nabla U(Y_s) - \nabla U(\overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}) \right\|^2 - (m+L) \left\| \overline{Y}_s - \overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n} \right\|^2 / 4 \; .$$

Using this inequality in (S27), we get

$$\langle \nabla U(Y_s) - \nabla U(\overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}), Y_s - \overline{Y}_s \rangle \ge -(m+L) \|\overline{Y}_s - \overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}\|^2 / 4$$

and (S26) becomes

$$\left\|Y_t - \overline{Y}_t\right\|^2 \le \left\|Y_{\Gamma_n} - \overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}\right\|^2 + \left((m+L)/2\right) \int_{\Gamma_n}^t \left\|\overline{Y}_s - \overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}\right\|^2 ds \tag{S28}$$

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Therefore, by the previous inequality, it remains to bound the expectation of  $\|\overline{Y}_s - \overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}\|^2$ . By (12) and using  $\nabla U(x^*) = 0$ ,

$$\|\overline{Y}_s - \overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}\|^2 = \|-(s - \Gamma_n)(\nabla U(\overline{Y}_{\Gamma_n}) - \nabla U(x^*)) + \sqrt{2}(B_s - B_{\Gamma_n})\|^2.$$

Then taking the expectation, using the Markov property of  $(B_t)_{t>0}$  and **H**1, we have

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left\|\overline{Y}_{s} - \overline{Y}_{\Gamma_{n}}\right\|^{2}\right] \leq (s - \Gamma_{n})^{2} L^{2} \mathbb{E}\left[\left\|\overline{Y}_{\Gamma_{n}} - x^{\star}\right\|^{2}\right] + 2(s - \Gamma_{n})d. \tag{S29}$$

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The proof follows from taking the expectation in (S28), combining (S25)-(S29), and using Theorem S7.

**Theorem S12.** Assume **H**1, **H**2 and **G**1. Then for all  $\mu_0 \in \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$  and  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$W_2^2(\mu_0 Q_\gamma^n, \pi) \le \tilde{u}_n^{(1)}(\gamma) W_2^2(\mu_0, \pi) + \tilde{u}_n^{(2)}(\gamma) \; , \tag{S30} \label{eq:S30}$$

where  $(\tilde{u}_n^{(1)})_{n\geq 0}$  is given by (S24) and

$$\begin{split} \tilde{u}_{n}^{(2)}(\gamma) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{i=n_{1}}^{n} \gamma_{i}^{2} \phi(\gamma_{i}) \prod_{k=i+1}^{n} (1 - \kappa \gamma_{k}/2) \\ &+ \phi(\gamma_{1}) (L^{2}(1+\rho))^{-1} \left\{ \prod_{k=i+1}^{n_{1}-1} (1 + \gamma_{k}^{2}(1+\rho)L^{2}) \right\} \prod_{k=i+1}^{n} (1 - \kappa \gamma_{k}/2) \;, \quad \text{(S31)} \quad \text{$-\text{eq:def u2'annexe''}$} \end{split}$$

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$$\phi(\gamma) = \left\{ 2\kappa^{-1} + (1+\rho^{-1})\gamma \right\} (dL^2 + dL^4\gamma/(2m) + dL^4\gamma^2/12) \; .$$

Proof. Let  $\zeta_0$  be an optimal transference plan of  $\mu_0$  and  $\pi$ . Let  $(Y_t, \overline{Y}_t)_{t \geq 0}$  with  $(Y_0, \overline{Y}_0)$  distributed according to  $\zeta_0$  and defined by (12). By definition of  $W_2$  and since for all  $t \geq 0$ ,  $\pi$  is invariant for  $P_t$ ,  $W_2^2(\mu_0 Q^n, \pi) \leq \mathbb{E}[\|Y_{\Gamma_n} - X_{\Gamma_n}\|^2]$ . Then the proof follows from Proposition S11 since  $Y_0$  is distributed according to  $\pi$  and by (7), which shows that  $\delta \leq d/m$ .

#### **3.1** Explicit bound based on Theorem S12 for $\gamma_k = \gamma_1 k^{\alpha}$ with $\alpha \in (0,1]$

We give here a bound on the sequences  $(\tilde{u}_n^{(1)}(\gamma))_{n\geq 1}$  and  $(\tilde{u}_n^{(2)}(\gamma))_{n\geq 1}$  for  $(\gamma_k)_{k\geq 1}$  defined by  $\gamma_1 > 0$  and  $\gamma_k = \gamma_1 k^{-\alpha}$  for  $\alpha \in (0,1]$ . Recall that  $\psi_{\beta}$  is given by (S5). First note, since  $(\gamma_k)_{k\geq 1}$  is nonincreasing, for all  $n \geq 1$ , we have

$$\begin{split} \tilde{u}_n^{(2)}(\gamma) &\leq \sum_{j=0}^1 \mathsf{C}_j \sum_{i=n_1}^n \gamma_i^{j+2} \prod_{k=i+1}^n (1-\kappa \gamma_k/2) \\ &+ \sum_{j=0}^1 \mathsf{C}_j (L^2(1+\rho))^{-1} \gamma_1^j \left\{ \prod_{k=1}^{n_1-1} (1+\gamma_k^2(1+\rho)L^2) \right\} \prod_{k=n_1}^n (1-\kappa \gamma_k/2) \;, \quad \text{(S32)} \quad \text{$-\text{eq:bound'u'n'2'annostics}$} \end{split}$$

where

$$C_1 = bdL^2$$
,  $C_2 = b(dL^4/(2m) + \gamma_1 dL^4/12)$ ,  $b = 2\kappa^{-1} + (1 + \rho^{-1})\gamma_1$ .

1. For  $\alpha = 1$  and  $n_1 = 1$ , by (S6) and (S7), we have

$$\tilde{u}_n^{(1)}(\gamma) \le (n+1)^{-\kappa\gamma_1/2}$$

$$\tilde{u}_n^{(2)}(\gamma) \le (n+1)^{-\kappa\gamma_1/2} \sum_{j=0}^1 \mathsf{C}_j \left\{ \gamma_1^{j+2} (\boldsymbol{\psi}_{\kappa\gamma_1/2-1-j}(n+1)+1) + (L^2(1+\rho))^{-1} \gamma_1^j \right\} .$$

For  $n_1 > 1$ , since  $(\gamma_k)_{k \ge 0}$  is non increasing, using again (S6), (S7), and the bound for  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $(1+t) \le e^t$ 

$$\begin{split} \tilde{u}_n^{(1)}(\gamma) &\leq (n+1)^{-\kappa\gamma_1/2} \exp\left\{\kappa\gamma_1 \pmb{\psi}_0(n_1)/2 + L^2(1+\rho)\gamma_1^2 (\pmb{\psi}_{-1}(n_1-1)+1)\right\} \\ \tilde{u}_n^{(2)}(\gamma) &\leq (n+1)^{-\kappa\gamma_1/2} \sum_{j=0}^1 \mathsf{C}_j \left(\gamma_1^{j+2} (\pmb{\psi}_{\kappa\gamma_1/2-1-j}(n+1) - \pmb{\psi}_{\kappa\gamma_1/2-1-j}(n_1) + 1) \right. \\ &\left. + (\gamma_1^j/(L^2(1+\rho)) \exp\left\{\kappa\gamma_1 \pmb{\psi}_0(n_1)/2 + L^2(1+\rho)\gamma_1^2 (\pmb{\psi}_{-1}(n_1-1)+1)\right\}\right) \; . \end{split}$$

Thus, for  $\gamma_1 > \kappa/2$ , we get a bound in  $\mathcal{O}(n^{-1})$ .

2. For  $\alpha \in (0,1)$  and  $n_1 = 1$ , by (S6) and Lemma S9-(ii) applied with  $\ell = \lceil n/2 \rceil$ , we have

$$\tilde{u}_n^{(1)}(\gamma) \le \exp\left(-(\kappa \gamma_1/2) \boldsymbol{\psi}_{\alpha-1}(n+1)\right)$$

$$\tilde{u}_{n}^{(2)}(\gamma) \leq \sum_{j=0}^{1} \mathsf{C}_{j} \left\{ \gamma_{1}^{j+2} \left( \boldsymbol{\psi}_{1-\alpha(j+2)}(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + 1 \right) \exp \left\{ -(\kappa \gamma_{1}/2) (\boldsymbol{\psi}_{1-\alpha}(n+1) - \boldsymbol{\psi}_{1-\alpha}(\lceil n/2 \rceil)) \right\} \right. \\
\left. + 2\kappa^{-1} \gamma_{1}^{j+1} (n/2)^{-\alpha(j+1)} + \gamma_{1}^{j} \exp \left\{ -(\kappa \gamma_{1}/2) \boldsymbol{\psi}_{\alpha-1}(n+1) \right\} \right\} .$$

For  $n_1 > 1$  and  $\lceil n/2 \rceil \geq n_1$ , since  $(\gamma_k)_{k \geq 0}$  is non increasing, using again (S6), and Lemma S9-(ii) applied with  $\ell = \lceil n/2 \rceil$ , and the bound for  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $(1+t) \leq e^t$ , we get

$$\tilde{u}_{n}^{(1)}(\gamma) \leq \exp\left\{-\kappa \gamma_{1}(\boldsymbol{\psi}_{\alpha-1}(n+1) - \boldsymbol{\psi}_{1-\alpha}(n_{1}))/2 + L^{2}(1+\rho)\gamma_{1}^{2}(\boldsymbol{\psi}_{1-2\alpha}(n_{1}-1)+1)\right\}$$

$$\tilde{u}_n^{(2)}(\gamma) \le \sum_{j=0}^1 \mathsf{C}_j \left\{ 2\kappa^{-1} \gamma_1^{j+1} (n/2)^{-\alpha(j+1)} \right\}$$

$$+ \gamma_1^{j+2} \left( \psi_{1-\alpha(j+2)}(\lceil n/2 \rceil) - \psi_{1-\alpha(j+2)}(n_1) + 1 \right) \exp \left\{ -(\kappa \gamma_1/2) (\psi_{1-\alpha}(n+1) - \psi_{1-\alpha}(\lceil n/2 \rceil)) \right\}$$

$$+ (\gamma_1^j/(L^2(1+\rho)) \exp \left\{ -\kappa \gamma_1 (\psi_{\alpha-1}(n+1) - \psi_{1-\alpha}(n_1))/2 + L^2(1+\rho) \gamma_1^2 (\psi_{1-2\alpha}(n_1-1) + 1) \right\}$$

### 4 Explicit bounds on the MSE

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Without loss of generality, assume that  $||f||_{\text{Lip}} = 1$ . In the following, denote by  $\Omega(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} ||x - x^*||^2 + d/m$  and C a constant (which may take different values upon each appearance), which does not depend on  $m, L, \gamma_1, \alpha$  and  $||x - x^*||$ .

### 5 Explicit bounds based on Theorem 3

1. First for  $\alpha = 0$ , recall by (S1), (20) and (21) we have for all  $p \ge 1$ ,

$$u_n^{(1)}(\gamma)W_2^2(\delta_x,\pi) + u_n^{(2)}(\gamma) \le 2\Omega(x)(1-\kappa\gamma_1/2)^p + 2\kappa^{-1}(\mathsf{A}_0\gamma_1 + \mathsf{A}_1\gamma_1^2)$$

where  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  are given by (S2) and (S3) respectively. So by Proposition 8 and Lemma 14, we have the following bound for the bias

$$\left\{\mathbb{E}_x[\hat{\pi}_n^N(f)] - \pi(f)\right\}^2 \leq C\left(\frac{\kappa^{-1}\exp(-\kappa N\gamma_1/2)\Omega(x)}{\gamma_1 n} + \kappa^{-1}\mathsf{A}_0\gamma_1\right)\;.$$

Therefore plugging this inequality and the one given by Theorem 9 in (23) implies:

$$MSE_f(N,n) \le C \left( \kappa^{-1} \mathsf{A}_0 \gamma_1 + \frac{\kappa^{-2} + \kappa^{-1} \exp(-\kappa N \gamma_1/2) \Omega(x)}{n \gamma_1} \right) . \tag{S33}$$

So with fixed  $\gamma_1$  this bound is of order  $\gamma_1$ . If we fix the number of iterations n, we can optimize the choice of  $\gamma_1$ . Set

$$\gamma_{\star,0}(n) = (\kappa^{-1} \mathsf{A}_0)^{-1} (C_{\mathrm{MSE},0}/n)^{1/2}$$
, where  $C_{\mathrm{MSE},0} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \kappa^{-3} \mathsf{A}_0$ ,

and (S33) becomes if  $\gamma_1 \leftarrow \gamma_{\star,0}(n)$ ,

$$MSE_f(N, n) \le C(C_{MSE,0}n)^{-1/2} \left(\kappa^{-1} \exp(-\kappa N \gamma_{\star,0}(n)/2)\Omega(x) + C_{MSE,0}\right)$$
.

Setting  $N_0(n) = 2(\kappa \gamma_{\star,0}(n))^{-1} \log(\Omega(x))$ , we end up with

$$MSE_f(N_0(n), n) \le C(C_{MSE,0}/n)^{1/2}$$
.

Note that  $N_0(n)$  is of order  $n^{1/2}$ .

2. For  $\alpha \in (0, 1/2)$ , recall by (S1), (20) and (21) we have for all  $p \ge 1$ ,

$$u_p^{(1)}(\gamma)W_2^2(\delta_x, \pi) \le 2\Omega(x) \prod_{i=1}^p (1 - \kappa \gamma_i/2)$$
 (S34)

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So by Proposition 8, Lemma 14, (S6) and (S8), we have the following bound for the bias

$$\left\{ \mathbb{E}_x[\hat{\pi}_n^N(f)] - \pi(f) \right\}^2 \le C \left( \frac{\kappa^{-1} \mathsf{A}_0 \gamma_1}{(1 - 2\alpha)n^{\alpha}} + \frac{\kappa^{-1} \exp\left\{ -\kappa \gamma_1 N^{1 - \alpha} / (2(1 - \alpha)) \right\} \Omega(x)}{\gamma_1 n^{1 - \alpha}} \right) .$$

Plugging this inequality and the one given by Theorem 9 in (23) implies:

$$\mathrm{MSE}_f(N,n) \le C \left( \frac{\kappa^{-1} \mathsf{A}_0 \gamma_1}{(1-2\alpha)n^{\alpha}} + \frac{\kappa^{-1} \exp\left\{ -\kappa \gamma_1 N^{1-\alpha}/(2(1-\alpha)) \right\} \Omega(x) + \kappa^{-2}}{\gamma_1 n^{1-\alpha}} \right). \tag{S35}$$

At fixed  $\gamma_1$ , this bound is of order  $n^{-\alpha}$ , and is better than (S33) for  $(\gamma_k)_{k\geq 1}$  constant. If we fix the number of iterations n, we can optimize the choice of  $\gamma_1$  again. Set

$$\gamma_{\star,\alpha}(n) = (\kappa^{-1}\mathsf{A}_0/(1-2\alpha))^{-1}(C_{\mathrm{MSE},\alpha}/n^{1-2\alpha})^{1/2}$$
, where  $C_{\mathrm{MSE},\alpha} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \kappa^{-3}\mathsf{A}_0/(1-2\alpha)$ , (S35) becomes with  $\gamma_1 \leftarrow \gamma_{\star,\alpha}(n)$ ,

 $MSE_f(N, n)$ 

$$\leq C(C_{\mathrm{MSE},\alpha}n)^{-1/2} \left(\kappa^{-1} \exp\left\{-\kappa N^{1-\alpha} \gamma_{\star,\alpha}(n)/(2(1-\alpha))\right\} \Omega(x) + C_{\mathrm{MSE},\alpha}\right) .$$

Setting  $N_{\alpha}(n) = \{2(1-\alpha)(\kappa \gamma_{\star,\alpha}(n))^{-1} \log(\Omega(x))\}^{1/(1-\alpha)}$ , we end up with

$$MSE_f(N_\alpha(n), n) \le C(C_{MSE,\alpha}/n)^{1/2}$$
.

It is worthwhile to note that the order of  $N_{\alpha}(n)$  in n is  $n^{(1-2\alpha)/(2(1-\alpha))}$ , and  $C_{\text{MSE},\alpha}$  goes to infinity as  $\alpha \to 1/2$ .

3. If  $\alpha = 1/2$ , (S34) still holds. By Lemma 14, (S6) and (S8), we have the following bound for the bias

$$\left\{ \mathbb{E}_x[\hat{\pi}_n^N(f)] - \pi(f) \right\}^2 \le C \left( \frac{\kappa^{-1} \mathsf{A}_0 \gamma_1 \log(n)}{n^{1/2}} + \frac{\kappa^{-1} \exp\left\{ -\kappa \gamma_1 N^{1/2} / 4 \right\} \Omega(x)}{\gamma_1 n^{1/2}} \right) \ .$$

Plugging this inequality and the one given by Theorem 9 in (23) implies:

$$MSE_f(N,n) \le C \left( \frac{\kappa^{-1} A_0 \gamma_1 \log(n)}{n^{1/2}} + \frac{\kappa^{-1} \exp\left\{ -\kappa \gamma_1 N^{1/2} / 4 \right\} \Omega(x) + \kappa^{-2}}{\gamma_1 n^{1/2}} \right) .$$
 (S36)

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At fixed  $\gamma_1$ , the order of this bound is  $\log(n)n^{-1/2}$ , and is the best bound for the MSE. Fix the number of iterations n, and we now optimize the choice of  $\gamma_1$ . Set

$$\gamma_{\star,1/2}(n) = (\kappa^{-1}\mathsf{A}_0)^{-1} (C_{\mathrm{MSE},1/2}/\log(n))^{1/2} \;, \text{ where } C_{\mathrm{MSE},1/2} \stackrel{\scriptscriptstyle\mathrm{def}}{=} \kappa^{-3}\mathsf{A}_0 \;,$$

and (S36) becomes with  $\gamma_1 \leftarrow \gamma_{\star,1/2}(n)$ ,

 $MSE_f(N, n)$ 

$$\leq C \left( \frac{\log(n)}{n C_{\text{MSE},1/2}} \right)^{1/2} \left( \kappa^{-1} \exp\left\{ -\kappa N^{1/2} \gamma_{\star,1/2}(n)/4 \right\} \Omega(x) + \frac{C_{\text{MSE},1/2}}{\log(n)} \right) \ .$$

Setting  $N_{1/2}(n) = (4(\kappa \gamma_{\star,1/2}(n))^{-1} \log(\Omega(x)))^2$ , we end up with

$$MSE_f(N_{1/2}(n), n) \le C \left(\frac{\log(n)C_{MSE, 1/2}}{n}\right)^{1/2}.$$

We can see that we obtain a worse bound than for  $\alpha = 0$  and  $\alpha \in (0, 1/2)$ .

4. For  $\alpha \in (1/2, 1]$ , (S34) still holds. By Lemma 14, (S6) and (S8), we have the following bound for the bias

$$\left\{ \mathbb{E}_x[\hat{\pi}_n^N(f)] - \pi(f) \right\}^2 \le C \left( \frac{\kappa^{-1} \mathsf{A}_0 \gamma_1}{n^{1-\alpha}} + \frac{\kappa^{-1} \exp\left\{ -\kappa \gamma_1 N^{1-\alpha} / (2(1-\alpha)) \right\} \Omega(x)}{\gamma_1 n^{1-\alpha}} \right) .$$

Plugging this inequality and the one given by Theorem 9 in (23) implies:

$$\mathrm{MSE}_f(N,n) \le C \left( \frac{\kappa^{-1} \mathsf{A}_0 \gamma_1}{n^{1-\alpha}} + \frac{\kappa^{-1} \exp\left\{ -\kappa \gamma_1 N^{1-\alpha}/(2(1-\alpha)) \right\} \Omega(x) + \kappa^{-2}}{\gamma_1 n^{1-\alpha}} \right) \ .$$

For fixed  $\gamma_1$ , the MSE is of order  $n^{1-\alpha}$ , and is worse than for  $\alpha = 1/2$ . For a fixed number of iteration n, optimizing  $\gamma_1$  would imply to choose  $\gamma_1 \to +\infty$  as  $n \to +\infty$ . Therefore, in that case, the best choice of  $\gamma_1$  is the largest possible value 1/(m+L).

5. For  $\alpha = 1$ , (S34) still holds. By Lemma 14, (S6) and (S8), the bias is upper bounded by

$$\left\{ \mathbb{E}_x[\hat{\pi}_n^N(f)] - \pi(f) \right\}^2 \le C \left( \frac{\kappa^{-1} \mathsf{A}_0 \gamma_1}{\log(n)} + \frac{\kappa^{-1} N^{-\kappa \gamma_1/2} \Omega(x)}{\gamma_1 \log(n)} \right) .$$

Plugging this inequality and the one given by Theorem 9 in (23) implies:

$$MSE_f(N,n) \le C \left( \frac{\kappa^{-1} \mathsf{A}_0 \gamma_1}{\log(n)} + \frac{\kappa^{-1} N^{-\kappa \gamma_1/2} \Omega(x) + \kappa^{-2}}{\gamma_1 \log(n)} \right) .$$

For fixed  $\gamma_1$ , the order of the MSE is  $(\log(n))^{-1}$ . For a fixed number of iterations, the conclusions are the same than for  $\alpha \in (1/2, 1)$ .

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#### 5.1 Explicit bound based on Theorem 6

1. First for  $\alpha = 0$ , recall by (S9), (20) and (21) we have for all  $p \ge 1$ ,

$$u_p^{(1)}(\gamma)W_2^2(\delta_x,\pi) + u_p^{(3)}(\gamma) \le 2\Omega(x)(1-\kappa\gamma_1/2)^p + 2\kappa^{-1}(\mathsf{B}_0\gamma_1 + \mathsf{B}_1\gamma_1^2)$$

where  $B_0$  and  $B_1$  are given by (S10) and (S11) respectively. So by Proposition 8 and Lemma 14, we have the following bound for the bias

$$\left\{ \mathbb{E}_x[\hat{\pi}_n^N(f)] - \pi(f) \right\}^2 \le C \left( \frac{\kappa^{-1} \exp(-\kappa N \gamma_1/2) \Omega(x)}{\gamma_1 n} + \kappa^{-1} \mathsf{B}_0 \gamma_1^2 \right) .$$

Therefore plugging this inequality and the one given by Theorem 9 in (23) implies:

$$MSE_f(N,n) \le C \left( \kappa^{-1} \mathsf{B}_0 \gamma_1^2 + \frac{\kappa^{-2} + \kappa^{-1} \exp(-\kappa N \gamma_1/2) \Omega(x)}{n \gamma_1} \right) . \tag{S37}$$

So with fixed  $\gamma_1$  this bound is of order  $\gamma_1$ . If we fix the number of iterations n, we can optimize the choice of  $\gamma_1$ . Set

$$\gamma_{\star,0}(n) = (\kappa B_0 n)^{-1/3}$$
,

and (S33) becomes if  $\gamma_1 \leftarrow \gamma_{\star,0}(n)$ ,

$$\mathrm{MSE}_f(N,n) \leq C (\mathsf{B}_0^{-1/2} n)^{-2/3} \left( \kappa^{-4/3} \exp(-\kappa N \gamma_{\star,0}(n)/2) \Omega(x) + \kappa^{-5/3} \right) \; .$$

Setting  $N_0(n) = 2(\kappa \gamma_{\star,0}(n))^{-1} \log(\Omega(x))$ , we end up with

$$MSE_f(N_0(n), n) \le C(\mathsf{B}_0^{-1/2} \kappa^{5/2} n)^{-2/3}$$
.

Note that  $N_0(n)$  is of order  $n^{1/3}$ .

2. For  $\alpha \in (0, 1/3)$ , recall by (S9), (20) and (21) we have for all  $p \ge 1$ ,

$$u_p^{(1)}(\gamma)W_2^2(\delta_x, \pi) \le 2\Omega(x) \prod_{i=1}^p (1 - \kappa \gamma_i/2)$$
 (S38)

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So by Proposition 8, Lemma 14, (S6) and (S14), we have the following bound for the bias

$$\left\{ \mathbb{E}_x[\hat{\pi}_n^N(f)] - \pi(f) \right\}^2 \le C \left( \frac{\kappa^{-1} \mathsf{B}_0 \gamma_1^2}{(1 - 3\alpha) n^{2\alpha}} + \frac{\kappa^{-1} \exp\left\{ -\kappa \gamma_1 N^{1 - \alpha} / (2(1 - \alpha)) \right\} \Omega(x)}{\gamma_1 n^{1 - \alpha}} \right) .$$

Plugging this inequality and the one given by Theorem 9 in (23) implies:

$$MSE_{f}(N, n) \le C \left( \frac{\kappa^{-1} \mathsf{B}_{0} \gamma_{1}^{2}}{(1 - 3\alpha) n^{2\alpha}} + \frac{\kappa^{-1} \exp\left\{ -\kappa \gamma_{1} N^{1 - \alpha} / (2(1 - \alpha)) \right\} \Omega(x) + \kappa^{-2}}{\gamma_{1} n^{1 - \alpha}} \right). \tag{S39}$$

If we fix the number of iterations n, we can optimize the choice of  $\gamma_1$  again. Set

$$\gamma_{\star,\alpha}(n) = (n^{1-3\alpha} \kappa B_0/(1-3\alpha))^{-1/3}$$

(S39) becomes with  $\gamma_1 \leftarrow \gamma_{\star,\alpha}(n)$ ,

$$\mathrm{MSE}_f(N,n) \leq C(\mathsf{B}_0^{-1/2}n)^{-2/3} \left(\kappa^{-4/3} \exp(-\kappa N \gamma_{\star,0}(n)/(2(1-\alpha)))\Omega(x) + \kappa^{-5/3}(1-3\alpha)^{-1/3}\right) \; .$$

Setting  $N_{\alpha}(n) = \{(\kappa \gamma_{\star,\alpha}(n))^{-1} \log(\Omega(x))\}^{1/(1-\alpha)}$ , we end up with

$$MSE_f(N_\alpha(n), n) \le C(\mathsf{B}_0^{-1/2} \kappa^{5/2} n)^{-2/3}$$

It is worthwhile to note that the order of  $N_{\alpha}(n)$  in n is  $n^{(1-3\alpha)/(3(1-\alpha))}$ .

3. If  $\alpha = 1/3$ , (S38) still holds. By Lemma 14, (S6) and (S14), we have the following bound for the bias

$$\left\{ \mathbb{E}_x[\hat{\pi}_n^N(f)] - \pi(f) \right\}^2 \le C \left( \frac{\kappa^{-1} \mathsf{B}_0 \gamma_1^2 \log(n)}{n^{2/3}} + \frac{\kappa^{-1} \exp\left\{ -\kappa \gamma_1 N^{2/3} / 4 \right\} \Omega(x)}{\gamma_1 n^{2/3}} \right) \ .$$

Plugging this inequality and the one given by Theorem 9 in (23) implies:

$$MSE_f(N,n) \le C \left( \frac{\kappa^{-1} B_0 \gamma_1^2 \log(n)}{n^{2/3}} + \frac{\kappa^{-1} \exp\left\{ -\kappa \gamma_1 N^{2/3} / 4 \right\} \Omega(x) + \kappa^{-2}}{\gamma_1 n^{2/3}} \right) . \tag{S40}$$

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At fixed  $\gamma_1$ , the order of this bound is  $\log(n)n^{-2/3}$ , and is the best bound for the MSE. Fix the number of iterations n, and we now optimize the choice of  $\gamma_1$ . Set

$$\gamma_{\star,1/2}(n) = (\kappa \mathsf{B}_0 \log(n))^{-1/3}$$

and (S40) becomes with  $\gamma_1 \leftarrow \gamma_{\star,1/2}(n)$ ,

$$MSE_f(N,n) \le C \left(\frac{\log(n)B_0}{n^2}\right)^{1/3} \left(\kappa^{-4/3} \exp\left\{-\kappa N^{1/2} \gamma_{\star,1/2}(n)/4\right\} \Omega(x) + \kappa^{-5/3}\right) .$$

Setting  $N_{1/2}(n) = (4(\kappa \gamma_{\star,1/2}(n))^{-1} \log(\Omega(x)))^{3/2}$ , we end up with

$$\mathrm{MSE}_f(N_{1/2}(n), n) \le C \left(\frac{\log(n)\mathsf{B}_0}{\kappa^5 n^2}\right)^{1/3}.$$

We can see that we obtain a worse bound than for  $\alpha = 0$  and  $\alpha \in (0, 1/3)$ .

4. For  $\alpha \in (1/3, 1]$ , (S38) still holds. By Lemma 14, (S6) and (S14), we have the following bound for the bias

$$\left\{ \mathbb{E}_x[\hat{\pi}_n^N(f)] - \pi(f) \right\}^2 \le C \left( \frac{\kappa^{-1} \mathsf{B}_0 \gamma_1}{n^{1-\alpha}} + \frac{\kappa^{-1} \exp\left\{ -\kappa \gamma_1 N^{1-\alpha} / (2(1-\alpha)) \right\} \Omega(x)}{\gamma_1 n^{1-\alpha}} \right) .$$

Plugging this inequality and the one given by Theorem 9 in (23) implies:

$$MSE_f(N,n) \le C \left( \frac{\kappa^{-1} \mathsf{B}_0 \gamma_1}{n^{1-\alpha}} + \frac{\kappa^{-1} \exp\left\{ -\kappa \gamma_1 N^{1-\alpha} / (2(1-\alpha)) \right\} \Omega(x) + \kappa^{-2}}{\gamma_1 n^{1-\alpha}} \right) .$$

For fixed  $\gamma_1$ , the MSE is of order  $n^{1-\alpha}$ , and is worse than for  $\alpha = 1/2$ . For a fixed number of iteration n, optimizing  $\gamma_1$  would imply to choose  $\gamma_1 \to +\infty$  as  $n \to +\infty$ . Therefore, in that case, the best choice of  $\gamma_1$  is the largest possible value 1/(m+L).

5. For  $\alpha = 1$ , (S34) still holds. By Lemma 14, (S6) and (S8), the bias is upper bounded by

$$\left\{\mathbb{E}_x[\hat{\pi}_n^N(f)] - \pi(f)\right\}^2 \le C\left(\frac{\kappa^{-1}\mathsf{B}_0\gamma_1}{\log(n)} + \frac{\kappa^{-1}N^{-\kappa\gamma_1/2}\Omega(x)}{\gamma_1\log(n)}\right) \ .$$

Plugging this inequality and the one given by Theorem 9 in (23) implies:

$$MSE_f(N,n) \le C \left( \frac{\kappa^{-1} \mathsf{B}_0 \gamma_1}{\log(n)} + \frac{\kappa^{-1} N^{-\kappa \gamma_1/2} \Omega(x) + \kappa^{-2}}{\gamma_1 \log(n)} \right) .$$

For fixed  $\gamma_1$ , the order of the MSE is  $(\log(n))^{-1}$ . For a fixed number of iterations, the conclusions are the same than for  $\alpha \in (1/2, 1)$ .

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