

Embedded Model Error Representation for Bayesian Model Calibration

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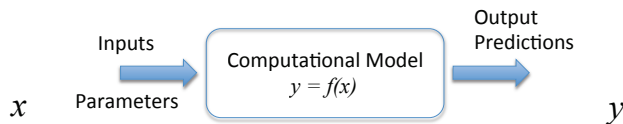
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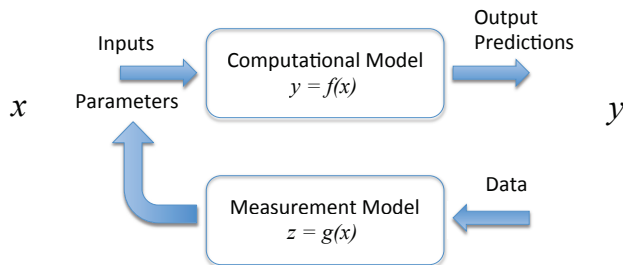
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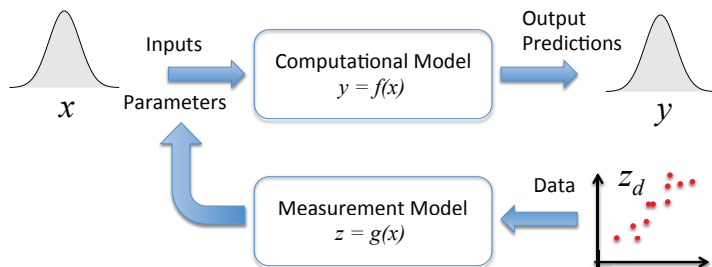
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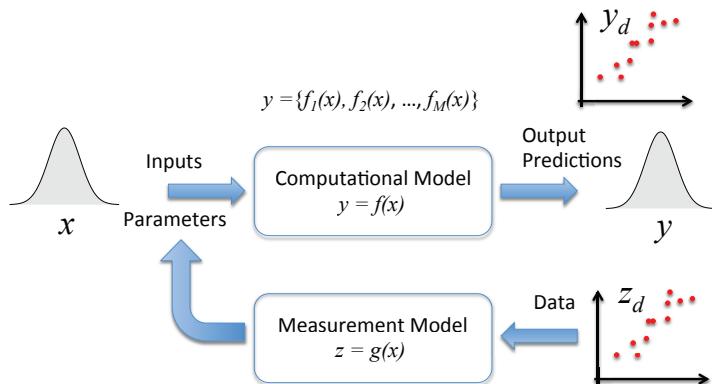
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Inverse & Forward UQ

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Inverse & Forward UQ
Model validation & comparison, Hypothesis testing

The Case for Uncertainty Quantification

UQ needed for...

- Model predictions
- Model validation and comparison
- Confidence assessment
- Reliability analysis
- Dimensionality reduction
- Optimal design
- Decision support
- (Noisy) data assimilation

Uncertainty Sources

- Model parameters
- Initial/boundary conditions
- Model geometry/structure
- Lack of knowledge
- Data noise
- Intrinsic stochasticity
- Numerical errors, too

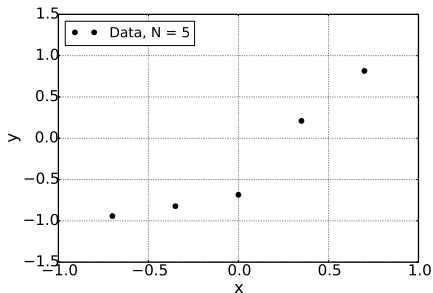
Main target: model error

$$g(x) \approx f(x; \lambda)$$

deviation from 'truth' or from a higher-fidelity model

- ... otherwise called (with slightly altered meanings):
model discrepancy, model structural error,
model inadequacy, **model misspecification**,
model form error, model uncertainty
- Inverse modeling context
 - Given experimental or higher-fidelity model data,
estimate the model error
- Represent and estimate the error associated with
 - Simplifying assumptions, parameterizations
 - Mathematical formulation, theoretical framework
- ...will be useful for
 - Model validation
 - Model comparison
 - Scientific discovery and model improvement
 - Reliable computational predictions

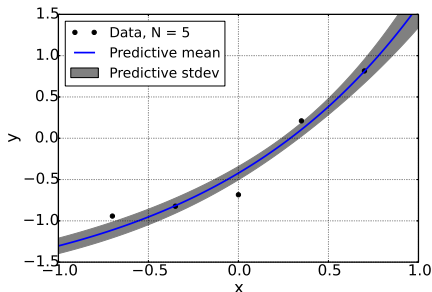
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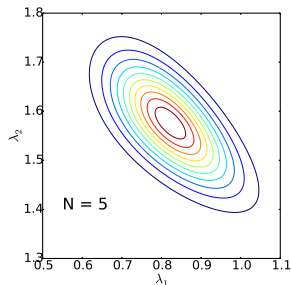
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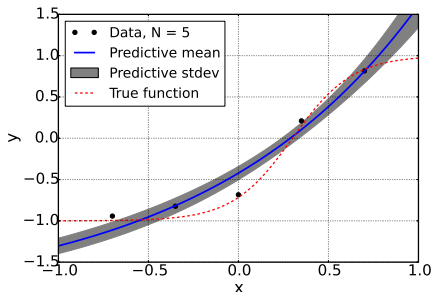
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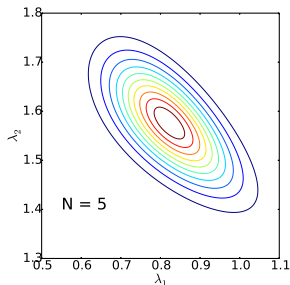
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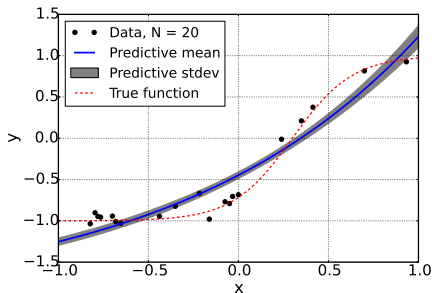
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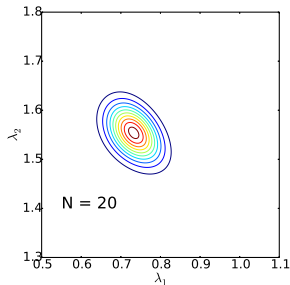
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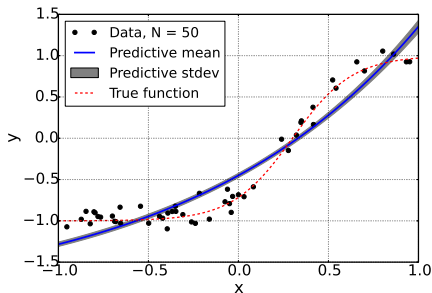
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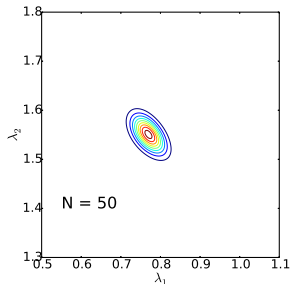
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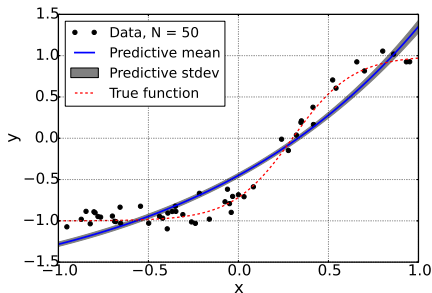
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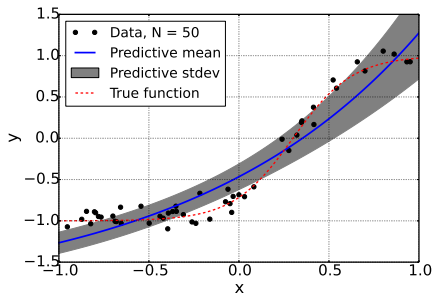
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No model error treatment



Model error accounted for

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- Accounting for model error allows extra uncertainty component to propagate through predictions

Where to put model error?

$$y_i = f(x_i; \lambda) + \delta(x_i) + \epsilon_i$$

- Outside:

- Explicit GP representation [Kennedy-O'Hagan, 2001]
- See also [Higdon et. al, 2004], [Bayarri et. al, 2007]
- Usage: too many to cite
- Issues: see next slide
- Variants exist: multiplicative noise, non-linear maps etc.

$$y_i = \tilde{f}(x_i; \lambda, \delta(x_i)) + \epsilon_i$$

- Inside:

- Engineering/statistical adjustment [Joseph and Melkote, 2009]
- Additive corrections to submodels [Strong et. al, 2011]
- Validation of extrapolative predictions [Oliver et. al, 2014]
- Field inversion and machine learning [Duraisamy et. al, 2015-]
- Hybrid correction [He and Xiu, 2016]
- Random field correction [Brown and Atamturktur, 2016]
- Hierarchical mixture model [Feng, 2017]
- Parameter inflation [Pernot et. al, 2017]
- Hierarchical stochastic model [Wu et. al, 2017]
- Increased use, especially in physical models: [Emory et. al, 2011] [Oliver and Moser, 2011], [Morrison et. al, 2016], [Sondak et. al, 2017], [Huan et. al, 2017]...

External correction often not satisfactory for physical models

$$y_i = \underbrace{f(x_i; \lambda) + \delta(x_i)}_{\text{truth } g(x_i)} + \epsilon_i$$

- Explicit additive statistical model for model error [KOH, 2001]
- Potential violation of physical constraints
- Disambiguation of model error $\delta(x_i)$ and data error ϵ_i
- Yes, priors help: [Brynjarsdottir and O'Hagan, 2014], [Plumlee, 2017]
- Calibration of model error on measured observable does not impact the quality of model predictions on other QoIs
- Physical scientists are unlikely to augment their model with a statistical model error term on select outputs
 - Calibrated predictive model: $f(x; \lambda) + \delta(x)$ or $f(x; \lambda)$?
- Problem is highlighted in model-to-model calibration ($\epsilon_i = 0$)
 - no a priori knowledge of the statistical structure of $\delta(x)$

Case for Model Error Embedding

Ideally, modelers want predictive *errorbars*:
inserting randomness on the outputs has issues, so...

$$y_i = \tilde{f}(x_i; \lambda, \delta_\alpha) + \epsilon_i$$

- Embed model error in specific submodel phenomenology
 - a modified transport or constitutive law
 - a modified formulation for a material property
 - turbulent model constants
- Allows placement of model error term in locations where key modeling assumptions and approximations are made
 - as a correction or high-order term
 - as a possible alternate phenomenology
- Naturally preserves model structure and physical constraints
- Disambiguates model/data errors

Embedded Model Error Options

- Explore different model forms,

Intrusive

$$y_i = \tilde{f}(x_i; \lambda, \delta_\alpha(x_i)) + \epsilon_i$$

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- Additive stochastic corrections to existing inputs

Non-intrusive

$$y_i = f(x_i; \lambda + \delta_\alpha(x_i)) + \epsilon_i$$

- ... even simpler, x -independent

$$y_i = f(x_i; \lambda + \delta_\alpha) + \epsilon_i$$

Bayesian Framework for Model Error Estimation

$$y_i = f(x_i; \lambda + \delta_\alpha) + \epsilon_i$$

- Given data y_i , perform *simultaneous* estimation of $\tilde{\alpha} = (\lambda, \alpha)$, i.e. model parameters λ and model-error parameters α .
- Bayes' theorem

$$\underbrace{p(\tilde{\alpha}|y)}_{\text{Posterior}} = \frac{\underbrace{p(y|\tilde{\alpha})}_{\text{Likelihood}} \underbrace{p(\tilde{\alpha})}_{\text{Prior}}}{\underbrace{p(y)}_{\text{Evidence}}}$$

- In order to estimate the likelihood $L_y(\tilde{\alpha}) = p(y|\tilde{\alpha}) = p(y|\lambda, \alpha)$, one needs uncertainty propagation through $f(x_i; \underbrace{\lambda + \delta_\alpha}_{\text{stochastic}})$,
- ... hence, we employ Polynomial Chaos (PC) representation for δ_α .

Polynomial Chaos Representation of Augmented Input

$$y_i = f(x_i; \lambda + \delta_\alpha) + \epsilon_i$$

- Zero-mean PC form $\delta_\alpha = \sum_{k=1}^K \alpha_k \Psi_k(\xi)$
- Functional representation of a large class of random variables
- The PC *germ* ξ is a standard random variable
 - e.g. Uniform($-1, 1$) or Normal($0, 1$)
- The PC bases (e.g. Legendre or Hermite polynomials) are orthogonal w.r.t. PDF of ξ

$$\int \Psi_m(\xi) \Psi_k(\xi) \pi_\xi(\xi) d\xi = 0 \quad \text{for } m \neq k.$$

- PC representation allows efficient
 - Sampling
 - Moment estimation
 - Variance-based decomposition
 - Uncertainty propagation (via NISP)

Model Error – Likelihood construction

$$y_i = f(x_i; \lambda + \delta_\alpha(\zeta)) + \epsilon_i = f_i(\tilde{\alpha}, \zeta) + \epsilon_i$$

- Likelihood $\mathcal{L}_g(\tilde{\alpha}) = p(y|\tilde{\alpha})$ challenging, but can compute moments

$$\mu_i(\tilde{\alpha}) = \mathbb{E}_\zeta[f_i(\tilde{\alpha}, \zeta)] \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma_i^2(\tilde{\alpha}) = \mathbb{V}_\zeta[f_i(\tilde{\alpha}, \zeta)] + s_i^2$$

- Gauss-Marginal Approximate Likelihood compares data y_i and model predictions:

$$\mathcal{L}_g(\tilde{\alpha}) \approx \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{N/2}} \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{\sigma_i(\tilde{\alpha})} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{y_i - \mu_i(\tilde{\alpha})}{\sigma_i(\tilde{\alpha})} \right)^2 \right)$$

- Non-intrusive spectral projection (NISP) with Polynomial Chaos

$$f_i(\tilde{\alpha}, \zeta) \stackrel{\text{NISP}}{\simeq} \sum_k f_{ik}(\tilde{\alpha}) \Psi_k(\zeta)$$

- ... provides easy access to mean and variance

$$\mu_i(\tilde{\alpha}) = f_{i0}(\tilde{\alpha}) \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma_i^2(\tilde{\alpha}) = \sum_{k \neq 0} f_{ik}^2(\tilde{\alpha}) \|\Psi_k\|^2 + s_i^2$$

Model Error – Surrogate and Prediction

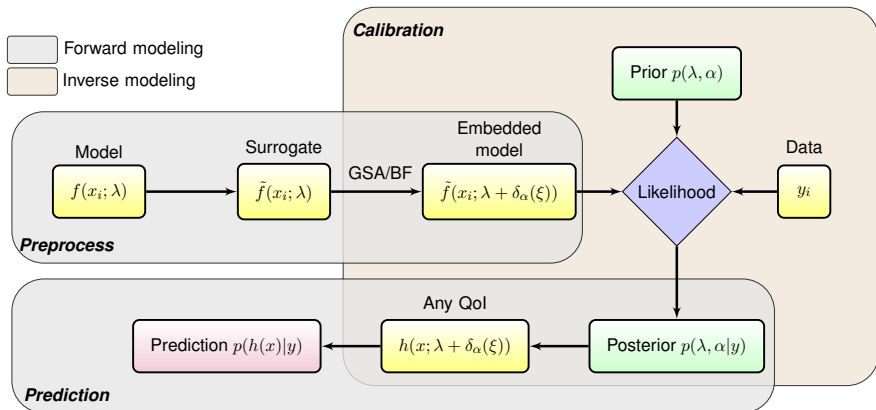
$$f_i(\lambda + \delta_\alpha(\zeta)) = f_i(\tilde{\alpha}, \zeta) \stackrel{\text{NISP}}{\simeq} \sum_k f_{ik}(\tilde{\alpha}) \Psi_k(\zeta)$$

- NISP is employed both for likelihood computation and for posterior/pushed-forward predictions in general
- In practice, $f_i(\cdot)$ is replaced by a pre-constructed polynomial surrogate
- Note: NISP with finite truncation is exact, if one truncates NISP at the same order as the surrogate of $f_i(\cdot)$
- Posterior predictive moments

$$\mu_i = \mathbb{E}_{\tilde{\alpha}} [\mu_i(\tilde{\alpha})]$$

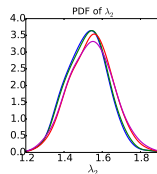
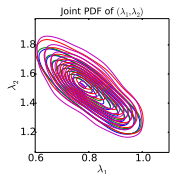
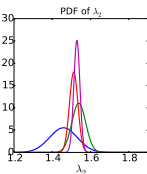
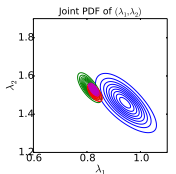
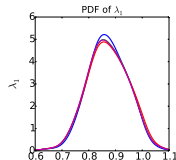
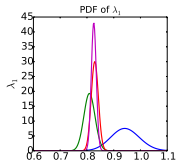
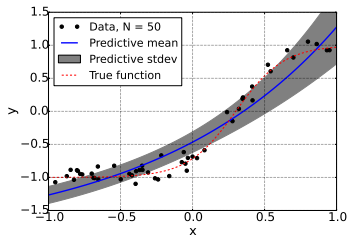
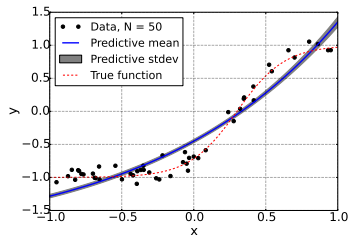
$$\sigma_i^2 = \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{\tilde{\alpha}} [\sigma_i^2(\tilde{\alpha})]}_{\text{Model error}} + \underbrace{\mathbb{V}_{\tilde{\alpha}} [\mu_i(\tilde{\alpha})]}_{\text{Posterior uncertainty}} + \underbrace{(\sigma_i^{LOO})^2}_{\text{Surrogate error}} + \underbrace{s_i^2}_{\text{Data noise}}$$

Model error embedding – workflow



- Predictive uncertainty decomposition: Total Variance =
Posterior uncertainty + Data noise + Model error + Surrogate error

.. back to toy example

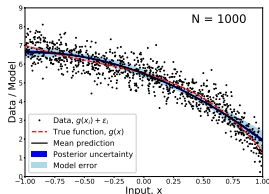
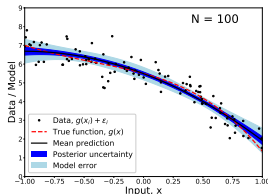
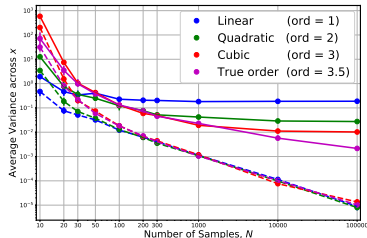


More data leads to 'leftover' model error

Calibrating a quadratic $f(x) = \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 x + \lambda_2 x^2$
w.r.t. 'truth' $g(x) = 6 + x^2 - 0.5(x + 1)^{3.5}$ measured with noise $\sigma = 0.1$.

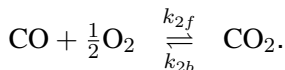
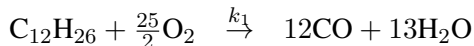
Summary of features:

- Well-defined model-to-model calibration
- Model-driven discrepancy correlations
- Respects physical constraints
- Disambiguates model and data errors
- Calibrated predictions of multiple QoIs



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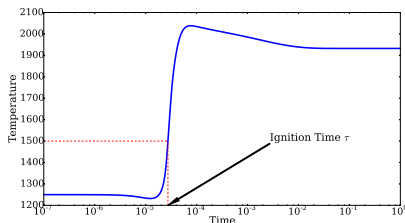
- Two-step global reaction model calibrated against shock tube experimental data
- Operating conditions: pressure P , initial temperature T_0 & equivalence ratio ϕ



$$k_1 = A e^{\left(-\frac{E}{RT}\right)} [\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{26}]^{0.25} [\text{O}_2]^{1.25}$$

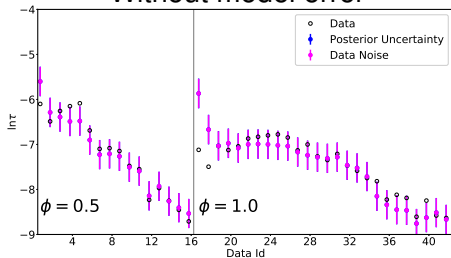
- Data: log(ignition time)
- Embedding

$$(\ln A, E) = \sum_k \alpha_k \Psi_k(\xi)$$

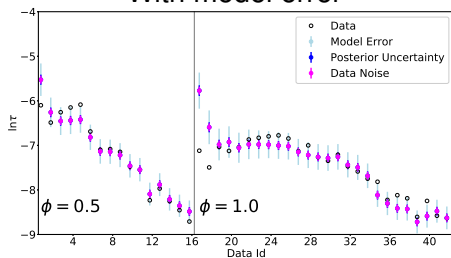


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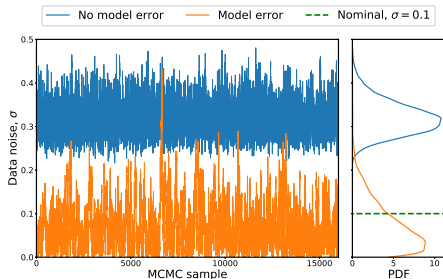
Without model error



With model error

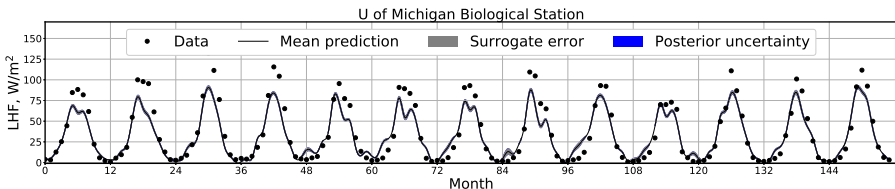


- Model error disambiguated from data error
- Data error correctly captured
- Meaningful extrapolative predictions



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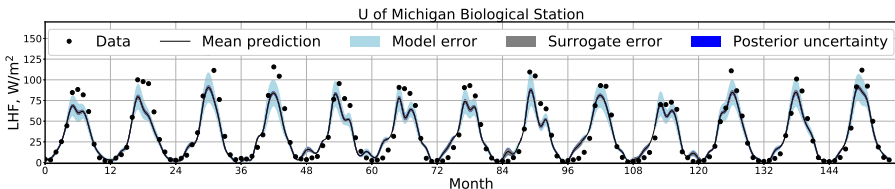
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- Conventional calibration without model error

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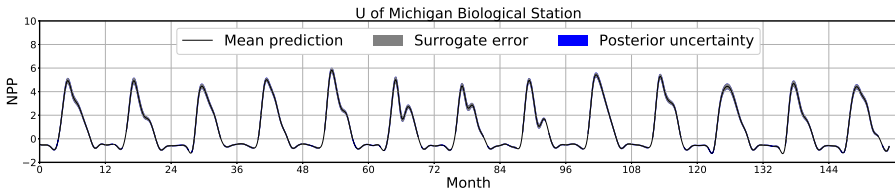
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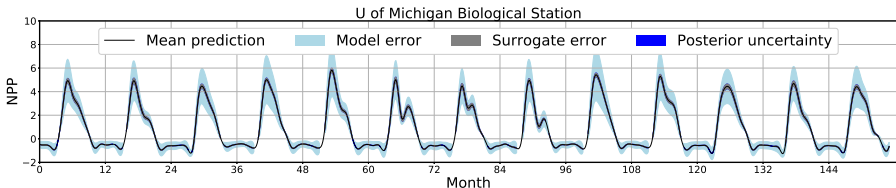
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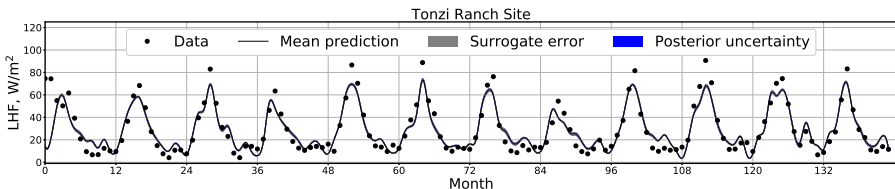
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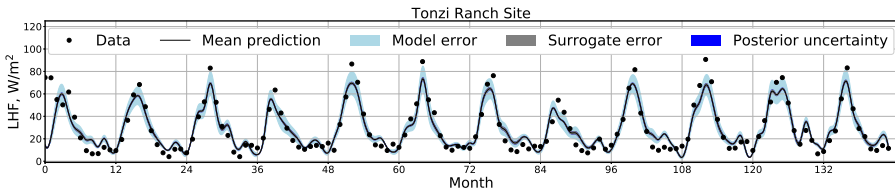
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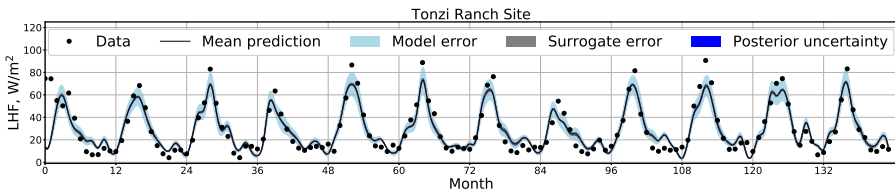
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Summary

- Embedded, non-intrusive model error quantification
- PC-based representation and propagation
- Bayesian framework for simultaneous estimation of model inputs and model error parameters
- All developments done within UQTk, lightweight C++/Python library out of SNL-CA (www.sandia.gov/uqtoolkit)
- Challenges:
 - Identifiability
 - Respecting the physics
 - Extrapolation/generalization
 - Where/how to embed
 - Likelihood degeneracy
 - Priors
- Opportunities:
 - Handling discrete inputs, relation to BMA
 - Hierarchical Bayesian viewpoint: latent variable models

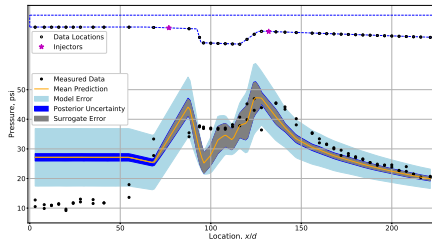
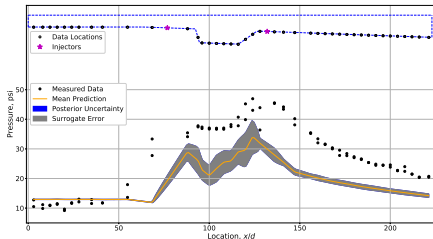
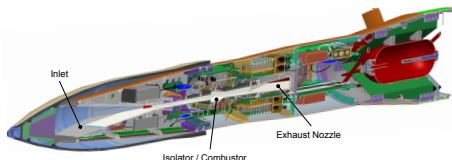
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Additional Material

LES: Turbulent Combustion in Scramjet Engine



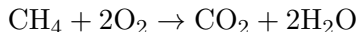
- HIFiRE (Hypersonic International Flight Research and Experimentation) scramjet
- Pressure data from NASA Langley Research Center
- Highly complex LES model



- Augmenting model error leads to more 'physical' likelihood

Chemistry problem – ABC

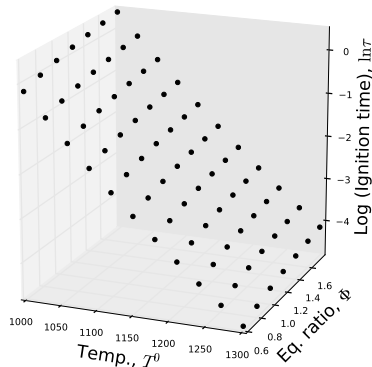
- Homogeneous ignition, methane-air mixture
- Single-step global reaction model calibrated against a detailed chemical kinetic model
- Data: ignition time; range of initial T & equivalence ratio
- Single-step model:



$$\mathfrak{R} = [\text{CH}_4][\text{O}_2]k_f$$

$$k_f = A \exp(-E/R^o T)$$

- $(\ln A, E) = \sum_k \alpha_k \Psi_k(\xi)$

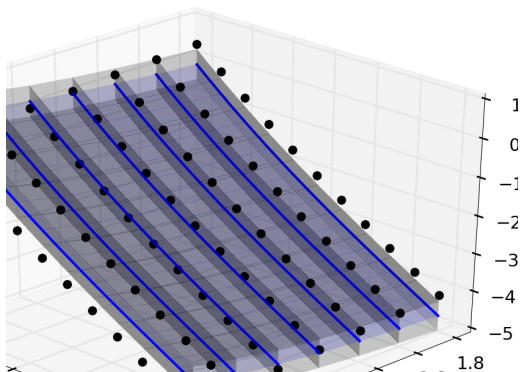


Quality of Uncertain Calibrated Model Predictions

Calibrated uncertain fit model
is consistent with the
detailed-model data.

Over the range of (T^0, Φ) :

- MAP predictive mean
ignition-time is centered
on the data



TransCom3 Experiment of CO_2 Flux Inversion

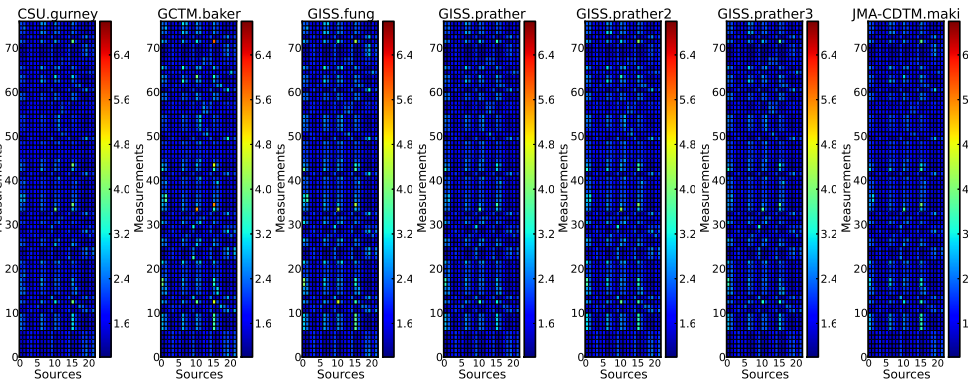
[Gurney *et al.*, Tellus B, 2003]

- Observations d at $N = 77$ sites around the world
- Inverse problem: find fluxes s at $M = 22$ locations
- Linearized 'response' model R , such that $d \approx Rs$

$$d = Rs + \epsilon_d$$

- Model R is never perfect thus contaminating the inversion
- The inferred values of s compensate for model deficiencies
- ϵ_d is meant to capture data errors, but is 'entangled' with model errors

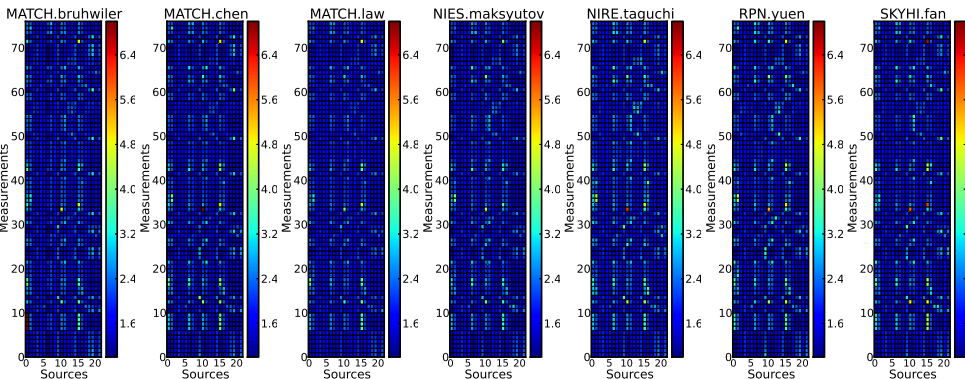
Consider 14 different response models $\mathbf{R}$



Infer fluxes $\mathbf{s}$, given measurements $\mathbf{d}$ to satisfy $\mathbf{d} \approx \mathbf{R}\mathbf{s}$

- Conventional additive Gaussian error (least-squares): $\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{s} + \xi$
- Embed probabilistic model for fluxes $\mathbf{s}$: $\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{R}(\mu_{\mathbf{s}} + \mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{s}}\xi)$

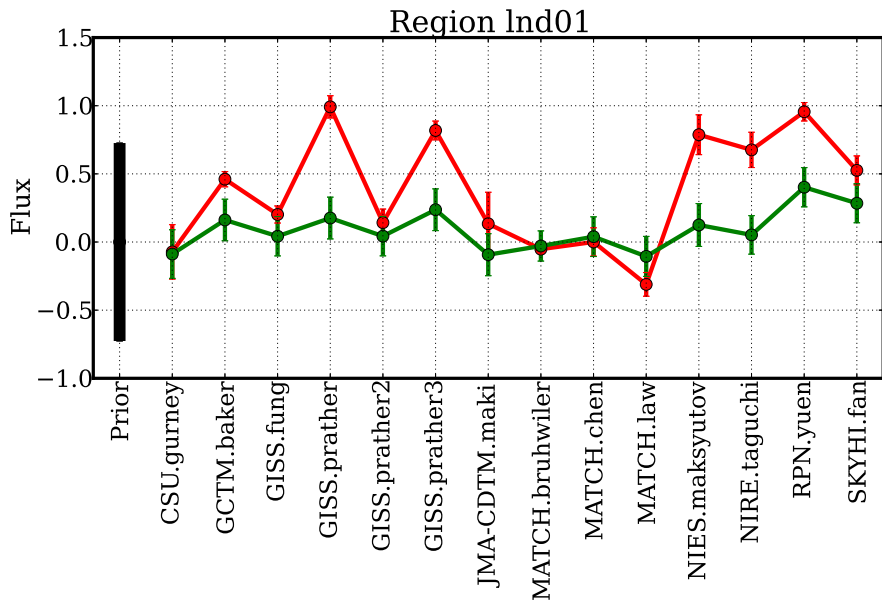
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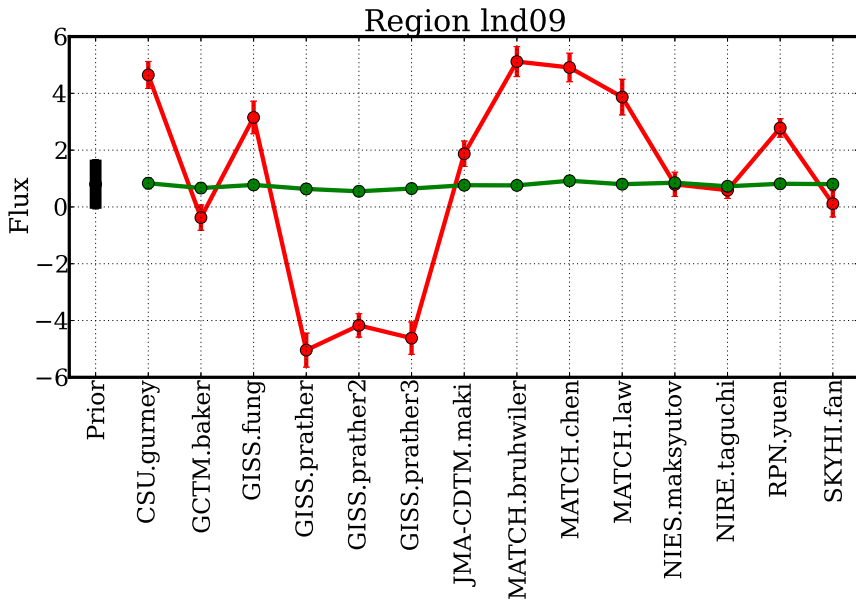
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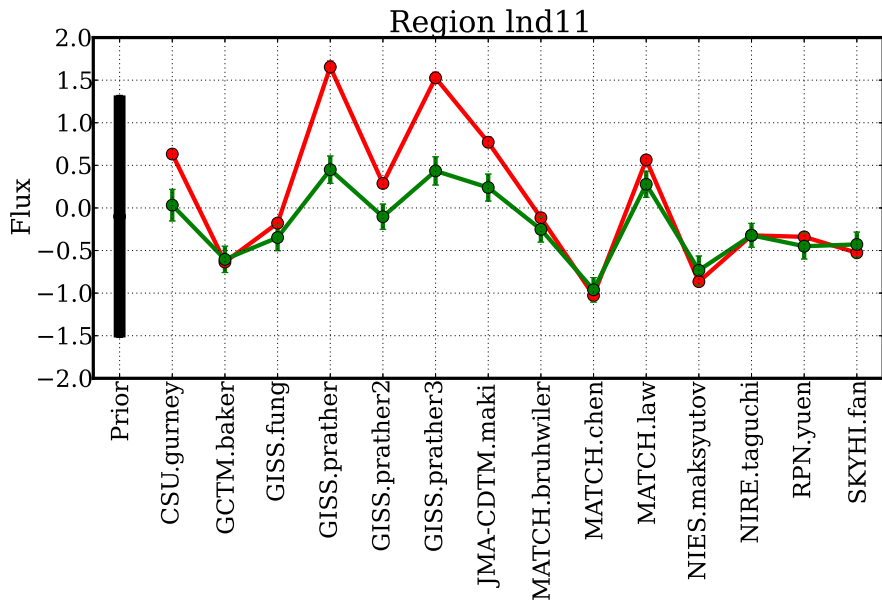
Inferred fluxes show less variability across models



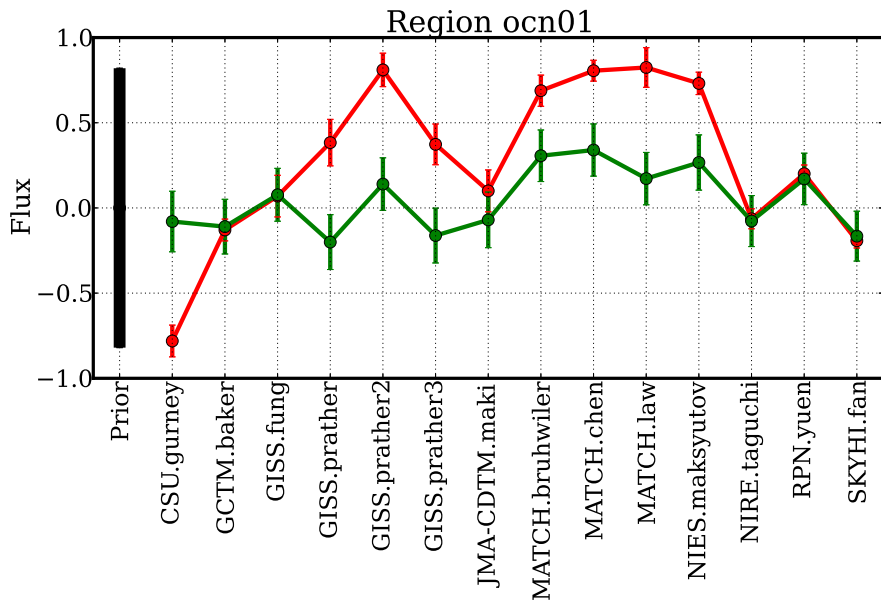
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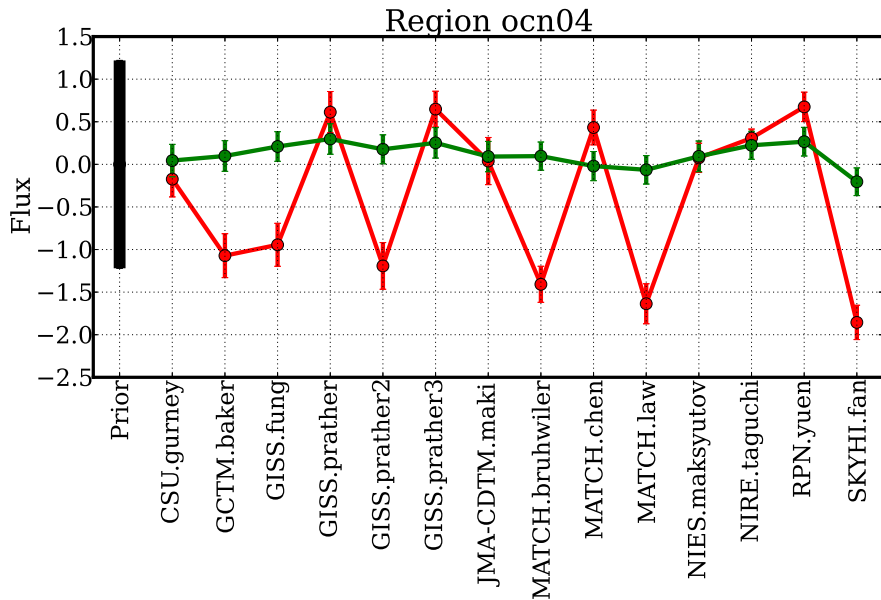
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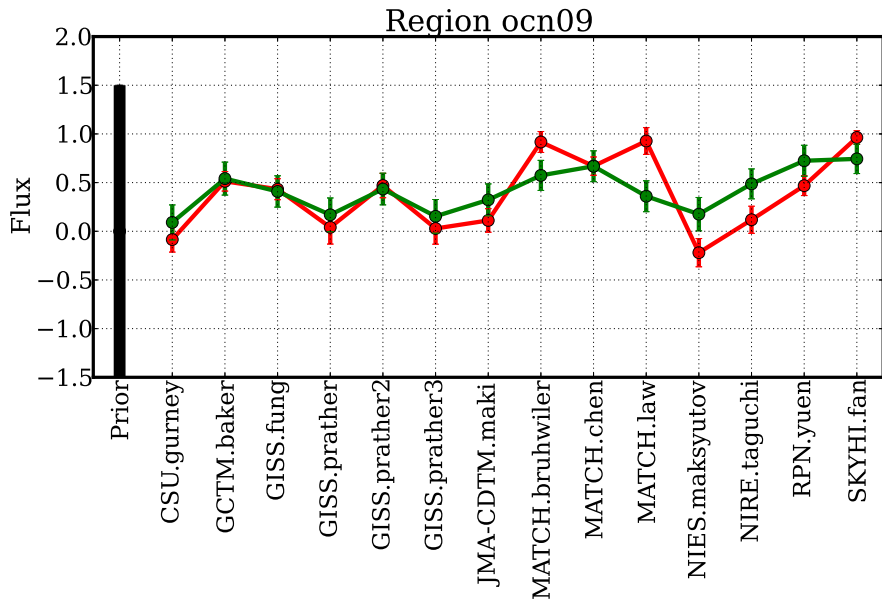
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