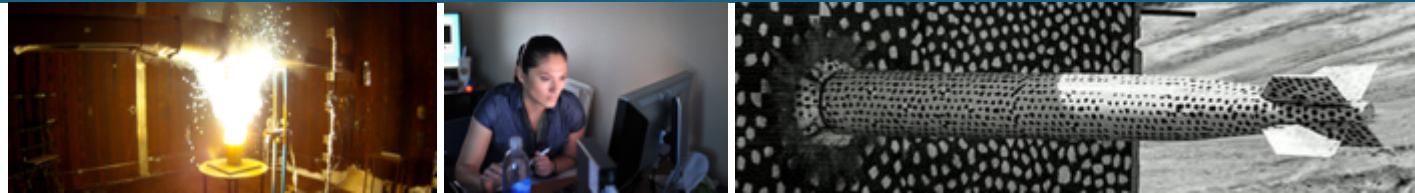


Statistical Learning and Model Error Estimation



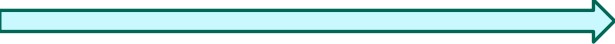
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Outline



- UQ and statistical learning
- Model structural error
- Applications 
- Summary/future

- Chemistry (BES)
- Fusion science (FES+ASCR)
- Turbulence modeling (DARPA)
- Climate land model (BER+ASCR)
- Thermodynamics (EERE)
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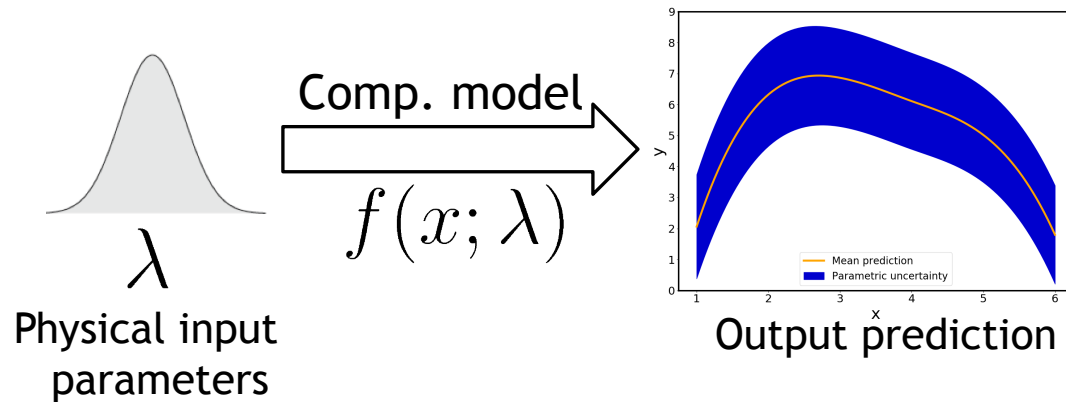


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Forward Uncertainty Quantification (UQ):

not the focus in this talk



Forward predictions:
surrogate models,
sensitivity analysis,
parametric uncertainty

Combination of supervised and unsupervised ML methods to tackle non-linearity, curse of dimensionality and computational expense

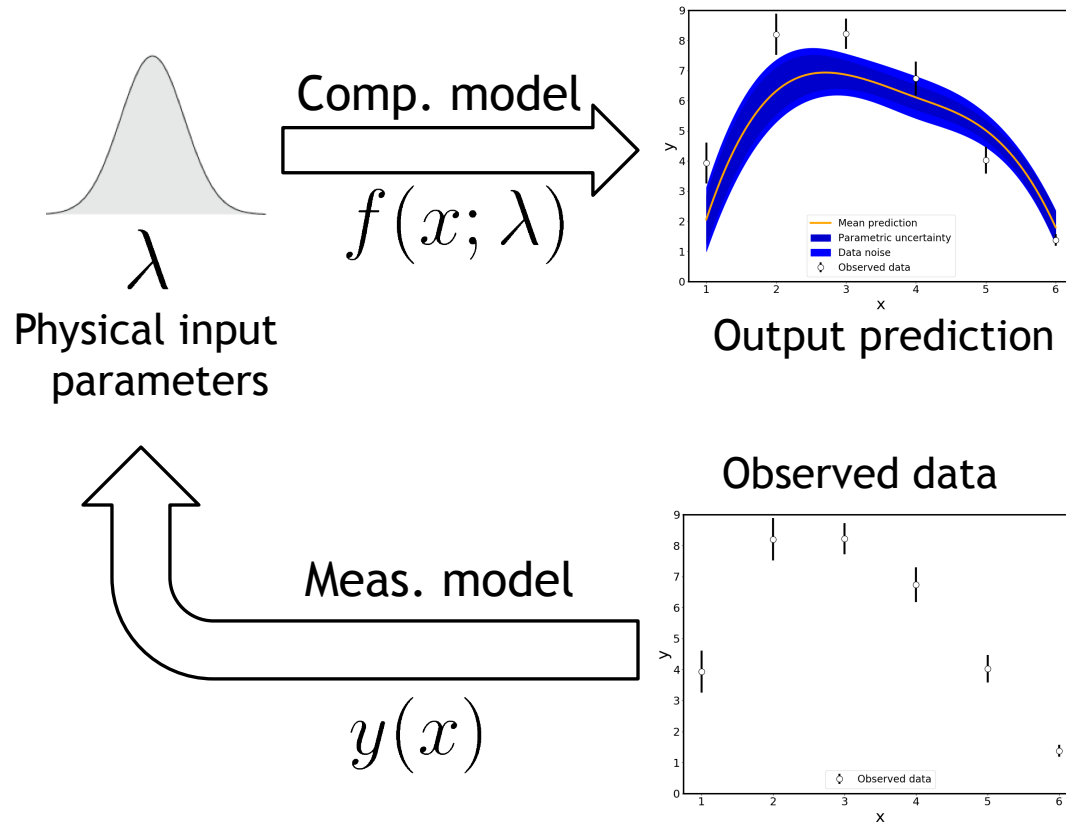
Prediction variance

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parametric uncertainty

Inverse Uncertainty Quantification:

Statistical Learning from Data



Forward predictions:
surrogate models,
sensitivity analysis,
parametric uncertainty

Inverse modeling:
parameter tuning,
calibration,
data noise

Prediction variance

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parametric uncertainty

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data noise

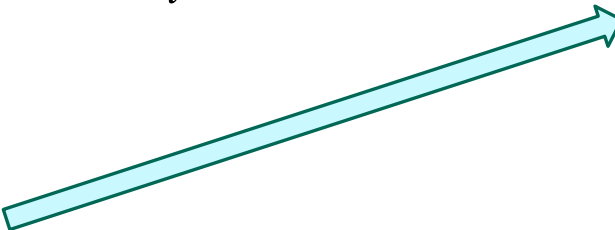
Bayesian inference for statistical learning of model parameters



- Collected data $\{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^N$

- Data model $y_i = f(x_i; \lambda) + \epsilon_i$

- Bayes formula


$$\underbrace{p(\lambda|y)}_{\text{Posterior}} = \frac{\overbrace{p(y|\lambda)}^{\text{Likelihood}} \overbrace{p(\lambda)}^{\text{Prior}}}{\underbrace{p(y)}_{\text{Evidence}}}$$

- Prior : knowledge of λ before seeing data (expert opinion, previous analysis, etc...)
- Likelihood : forward model and measurement noise
- Posterior : updated knowledge of λ , combining the prior and the likelihood
- Evidence : normalizing constant, useful for model selection, not for parameter estimation

Markov chain Monte Carlo is used to sample from posterior



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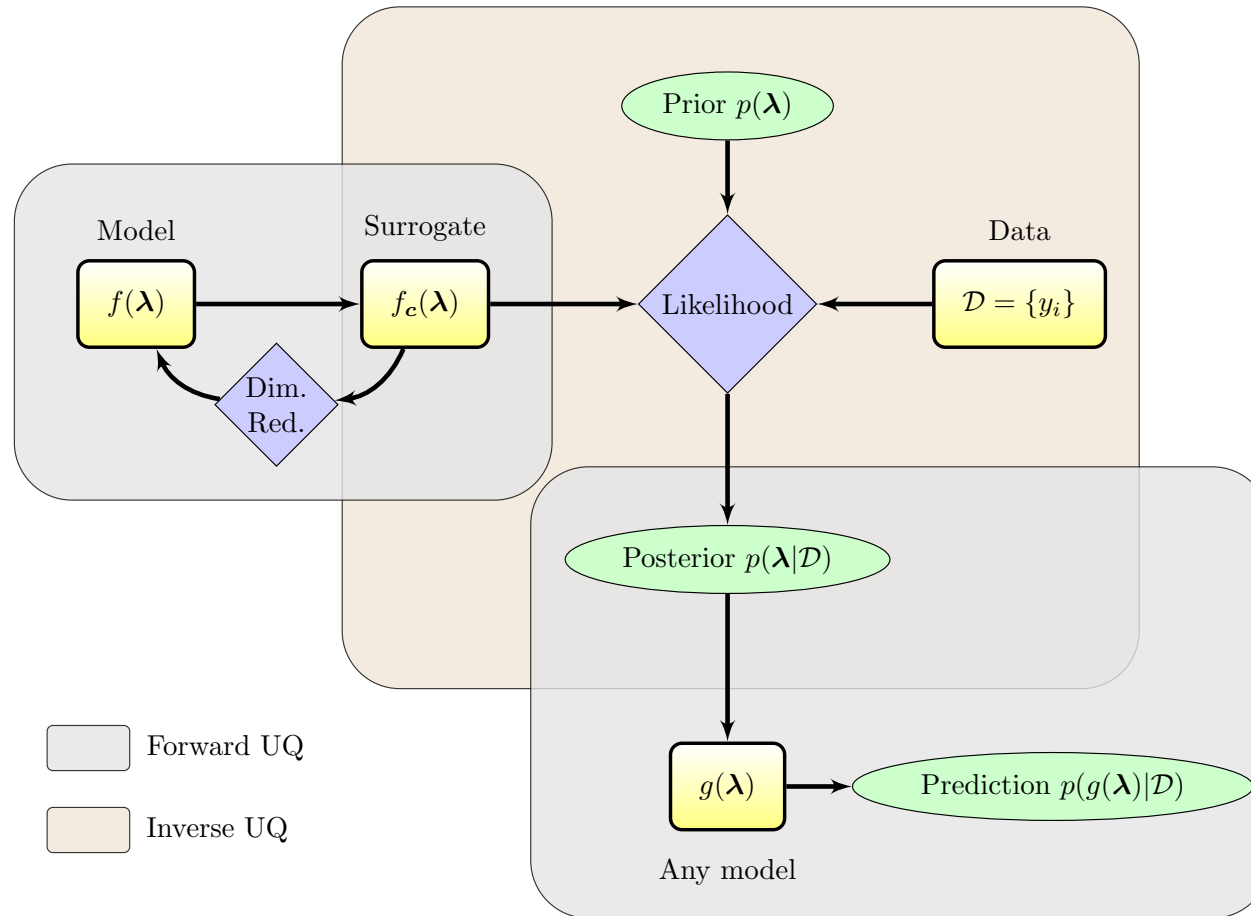
Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) samples from posterior by marching in the λ -space.

Likelihood is key:

- It incorporates statistical assumptions about the discrepancy between model and data.
- It requires model evaluation at a proposed parameter value λ .

**... but it is often infeasible to use model online in an MCMC loop,
hence we pre-construct a model surrogate.**

Surrogate-enabled Bayesian inference



Prediction variance

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parametric uncertainty

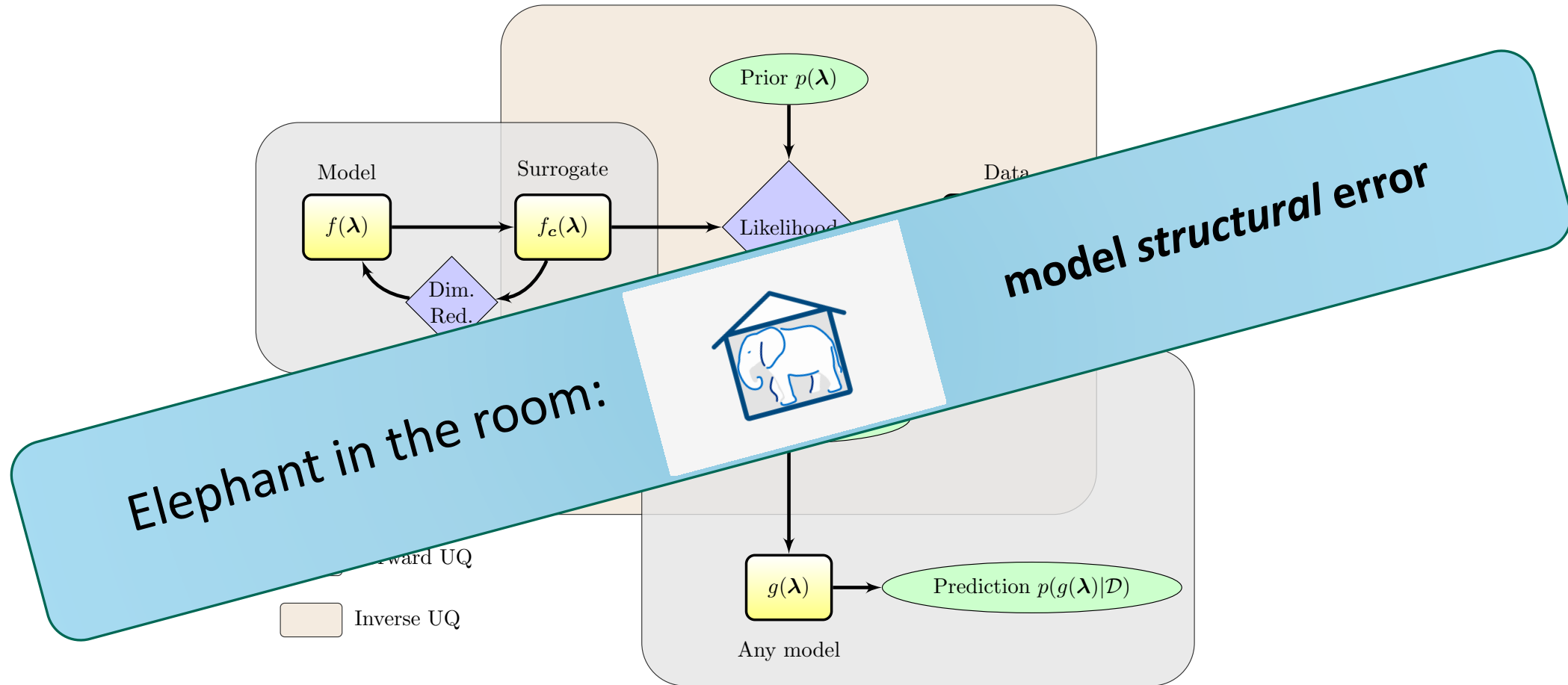
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data noise

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surrogate error

Surrogate-enabled Bayesian inference



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Model error can be defined in a variety of ways



In this work, model error is the difference between our model and the 'truth' model behind noisy data


$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} f(x_i; \lambda) & \text{vs} & y(x_i) = & g(x_i) & + & \epsilon_i & \\ \text{model} & & \text{data} & \text{truth} & & \text{noise} & \end{array}$$

Model error is associated with

- Simplifying assumptions, parameterizations
- Mathematical formulation, theoretical framework

Very loaded concept
... otherwise called
(with altered meanings)

- model discrepancy
- model structural error
- model inadequacy
- model misspecification
- model form uncertainty
- model uncertainty

Model exploration via embedded statistical representation of model error



Non-intrusive

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

- Allows meaningful extrapolation
- Respects physics
- Disambiguates model and data errors
- Predictive uncertainty attribution
 - surrogate errors
 - data noise
 - parametric uncertainty
 - structural errors

Intrusive

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

- For best impact, always look under the hood

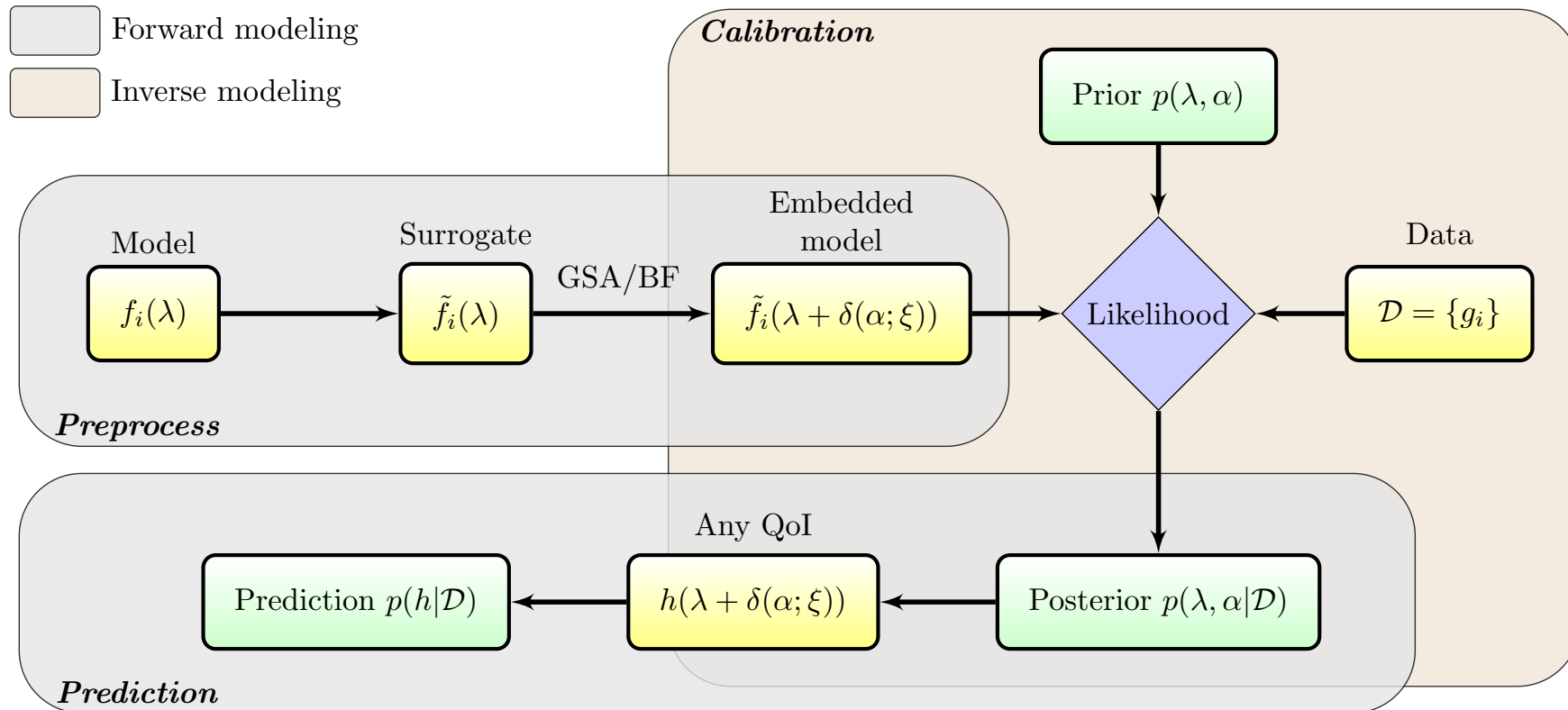
- Code available via UQTK
 - (www.sandia.gov/uqtoolkit)
- Impacted many programs DOE/DOD/SNL
- Applied outside immediate group
- Provides alternative for the conventional external correction approaches

UQTK

Method: Sargsyan, Najm, Ghanem, IJCK (2015); Sargsyan, Huan, Najm, IJUQ (2019).

Applications: Huan et. al, AIAA J (2018); Hakim et. al, CTM (2018); Cekmer et. al, IJUQ (2018); Rizzi et. al, CMAME (2019).

Embedded statistical representation of model error



Prediction variance

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parametric uncertainty

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data noise

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surrogate error

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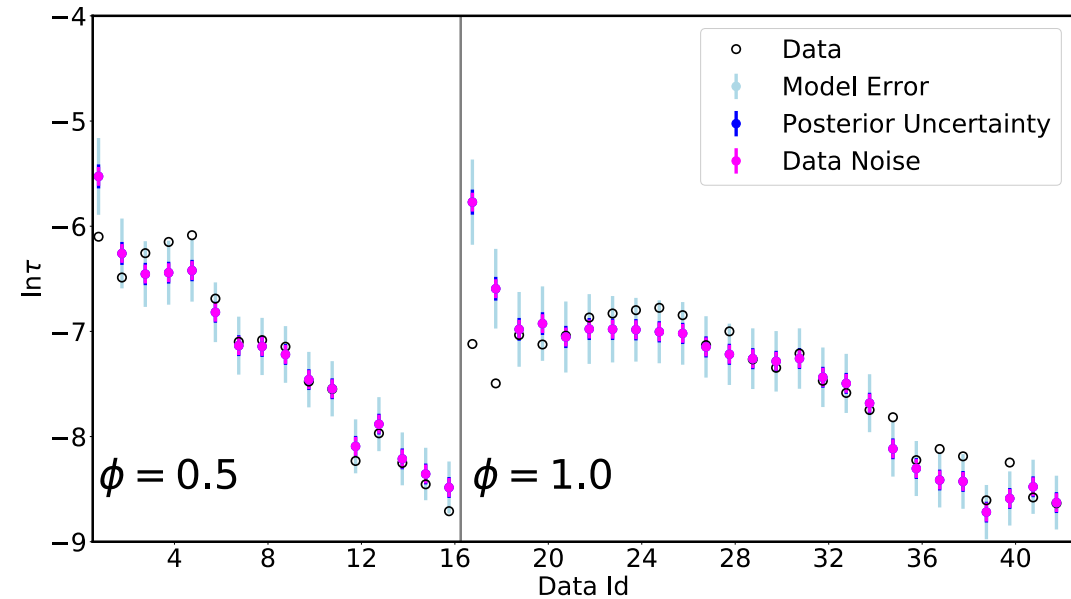
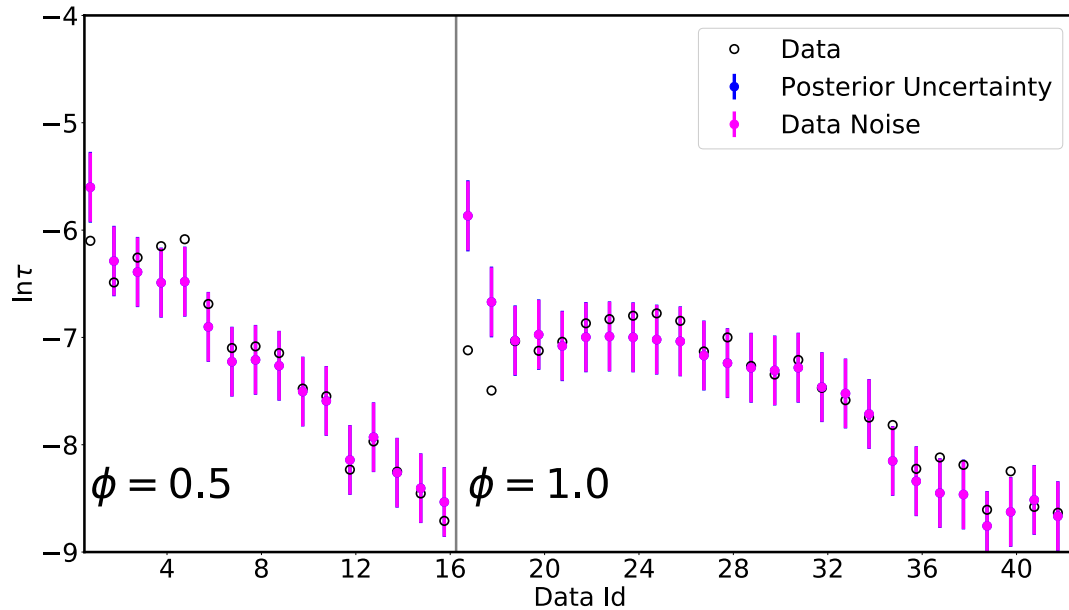
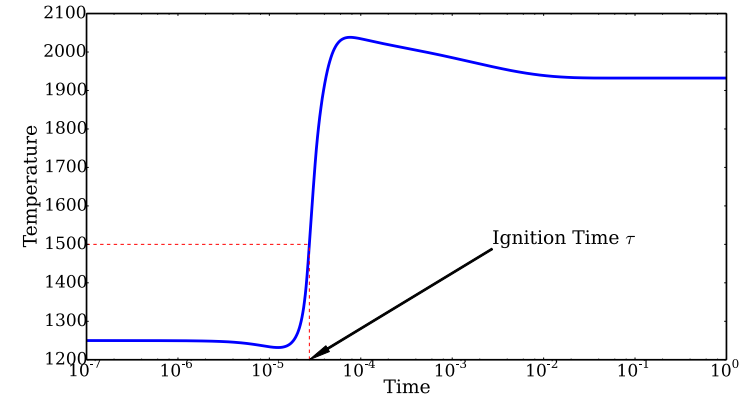
model error



- A sandbox for developing the method
- Calibrating a simple 2-step reaction mechanism given high-fi model or experimental data

Without model error, all the discrepancy is attributed to data noise

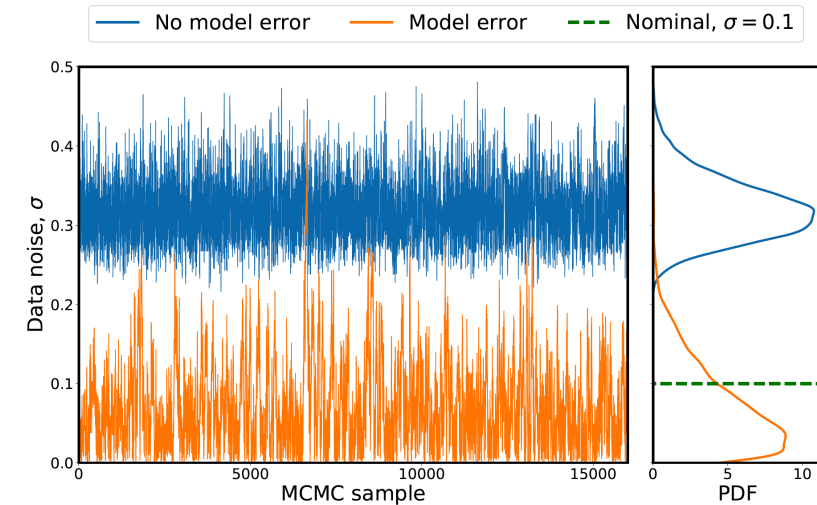
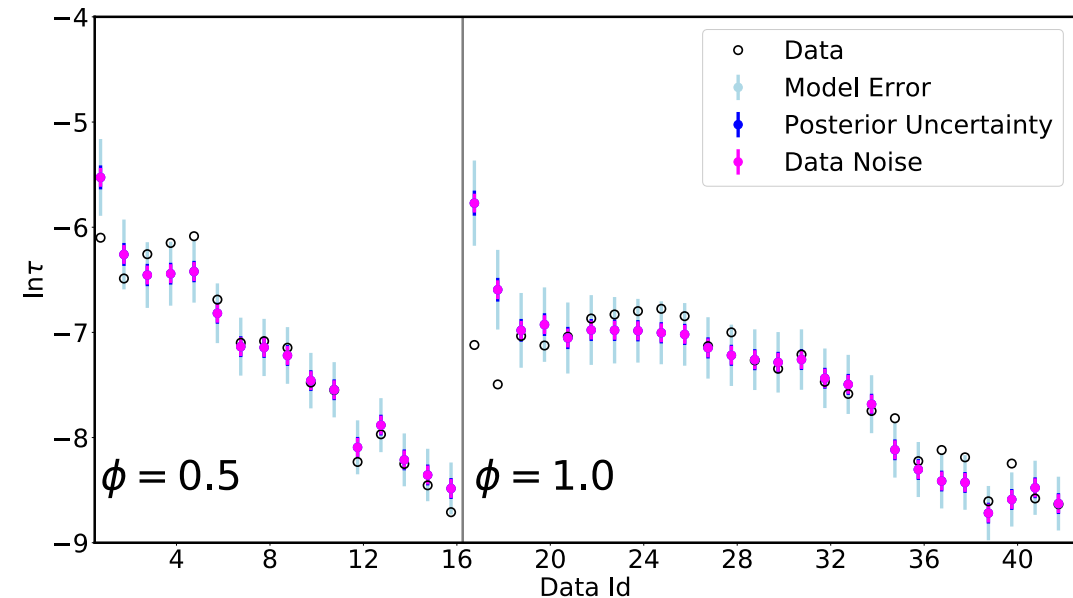
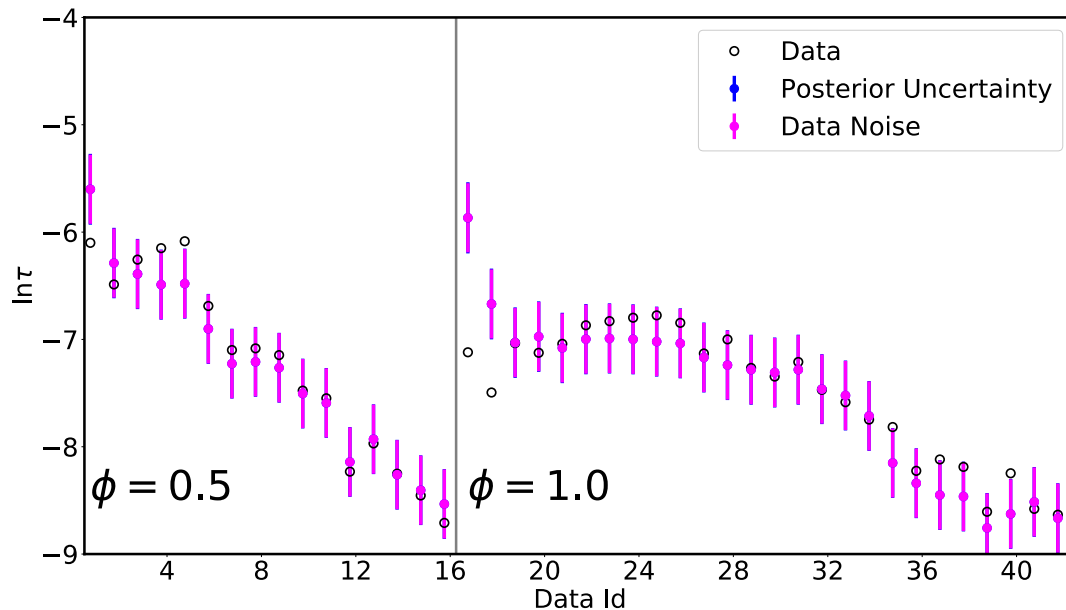
QoI: log-ignition time





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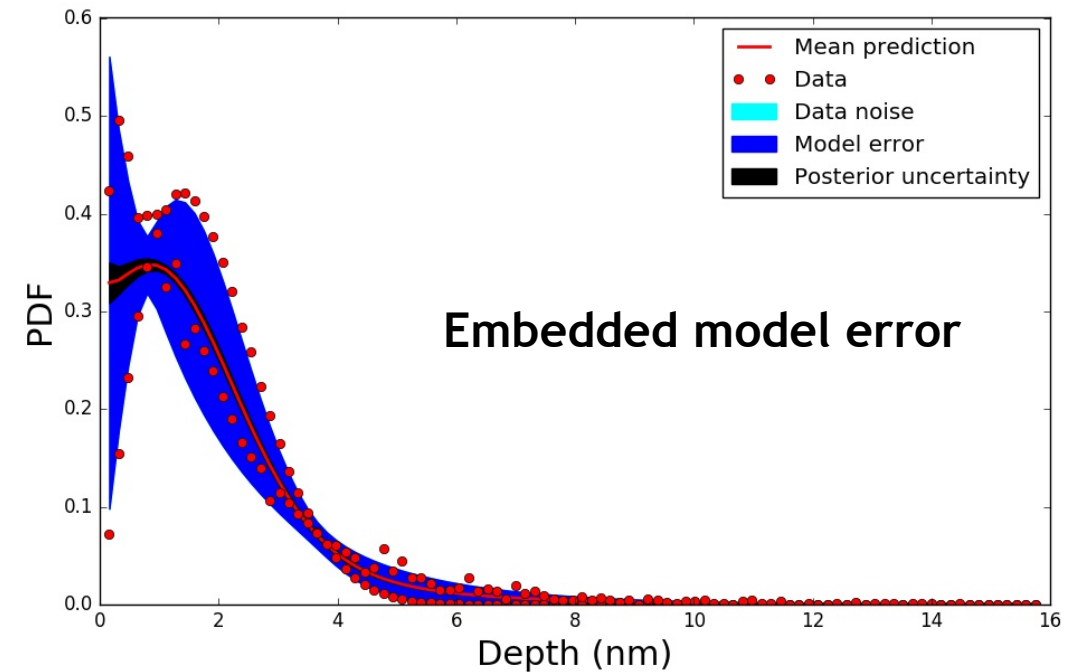
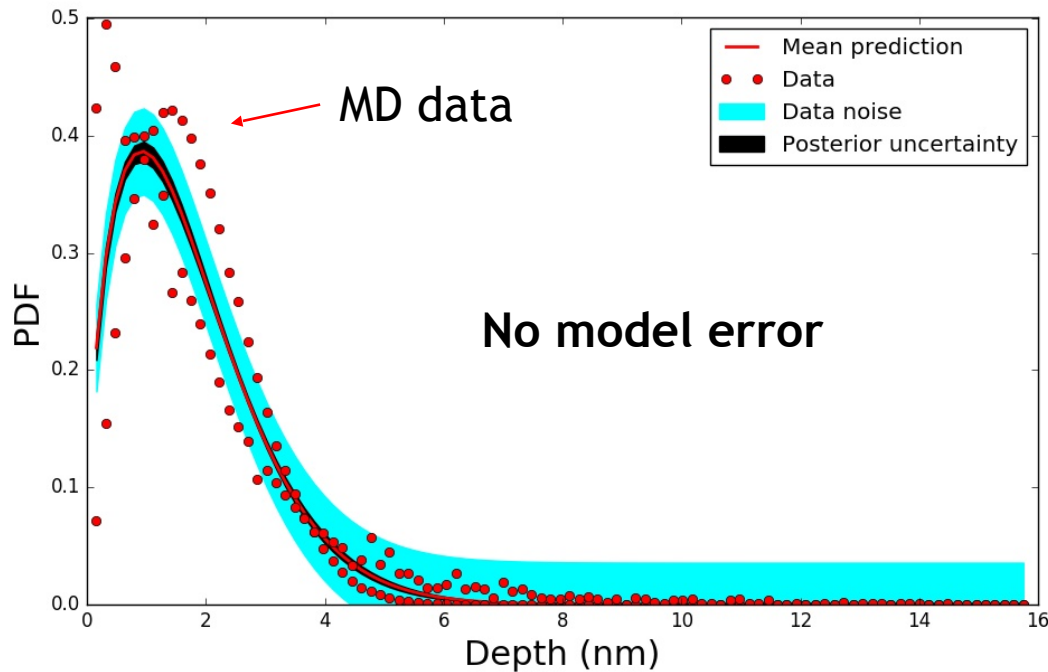
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- Multi-institution partnership, but direct collaboration with ORNL and UTK
- Constructing uncertain input profiles for tungsten depth to propagate through Xolotl (PSI code)

Ignoring model error wrongly attributes uncertainty to data



O. Cekmer, K. Sargsyan, S. Blondel, H. Najm, D. Bernholdt, B.D. Wirth, "Uncertainty quantification for incident helium flux in plasma-exposed tungsten", *Int. J. Uncertainty Quantification*, Vol. 8, No. 5, p.429–446, 2018.

Summary



- Statistical learning of physical model parameters with Bayesian inference (inverse UQ)
- ... accelerated by model surrogates (forward UQ)
- Embedded statistical model error representation allows:
 - respects physics; allows predictive variance attribution
 - stress-tested on a variety of applications
 - available via UQTK (www.sandia.gov/UQToolkit/)

Key References

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Additional slides

Model error is often the most dominant component of uncertainty



Ignoring model error leads to

- Biased parameter estimation
- Overconfident predictions

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Data} & \text{Model} & \text{Data noise} \\ y(x_i) & = f(x_i; \lambda) & + \epsilon_i \end{array}$$

Representing and estimating model error is useful for

- Reliable computational predictions
- Model comparison, selection
- Scientific discovery and model improvement:
 - *“is it worth resolving details, or just parameterize empirically?”*
- Optimal resource allocation:
 - *“do I improve my model (e.g. high-res), or run more simulations?”*

External correction is 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 $\delta(x)$

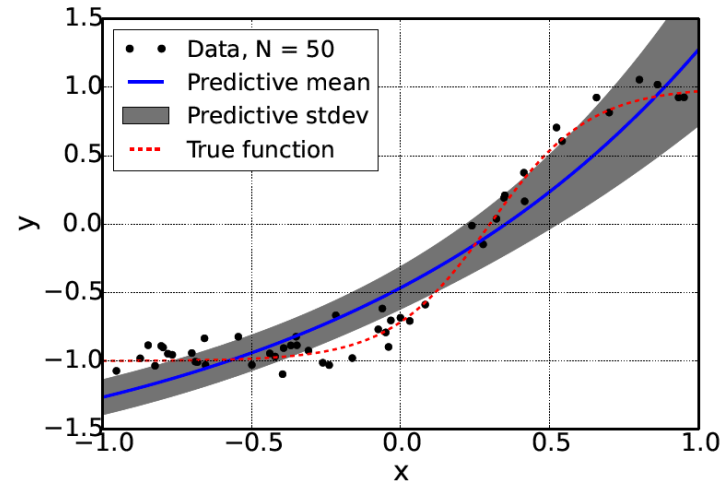
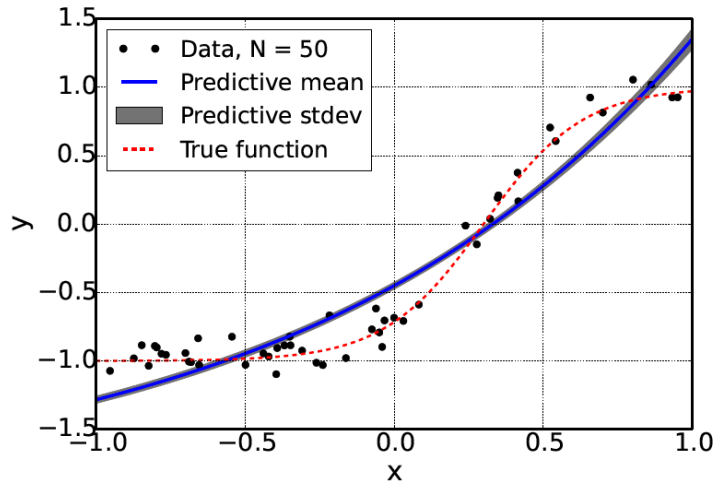
Calibrate $f(x; \lambda)$, given data $g(x)$

x are operating conditions, design parameters, various QoIs

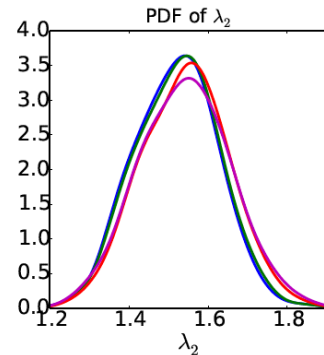
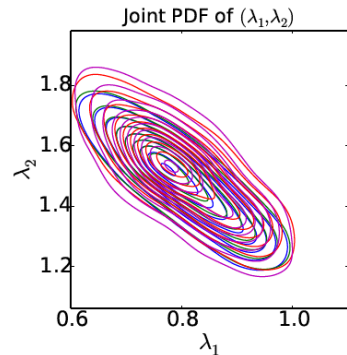
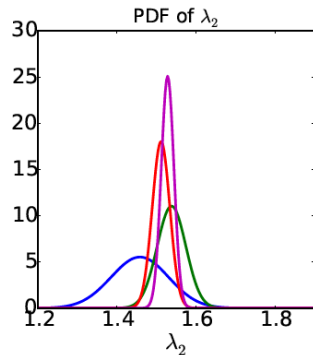
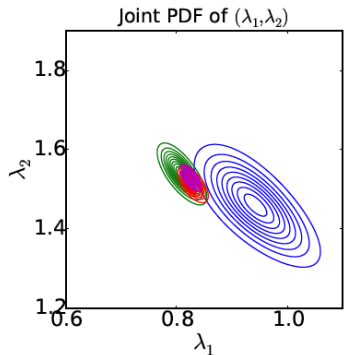
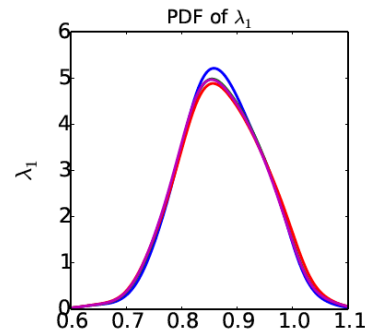
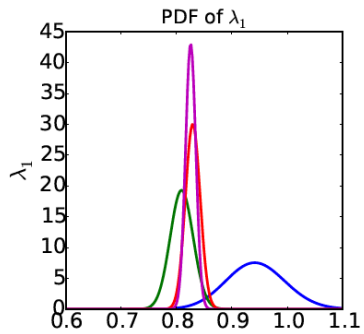
λ are model parameters to be inferred/calibrated

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- **Default:** Ignore model errors: $g(x) = f(x; \lambda) + \epsilon$
 - Biased or overconfident physical parameters
 - Wrong model predictions
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- **Conventional:** Correct for model errors: $g(x) = f(x; \lambda) + \delta(x) + \epsilon$
 - Physical parameters are ok
 - Wrong model predictions (data-specific corrections)
 - Model and data errors mixed up
-
- **What we do:** Correct *inside* the model: $g(x) = f(x; \lambda + \delta(x)) + \epsilon$
 - Embedded model error
 - Preserves model structure and physical constraints
 - Disambiguates model and data errors
 - Allows meaningful extrapolation

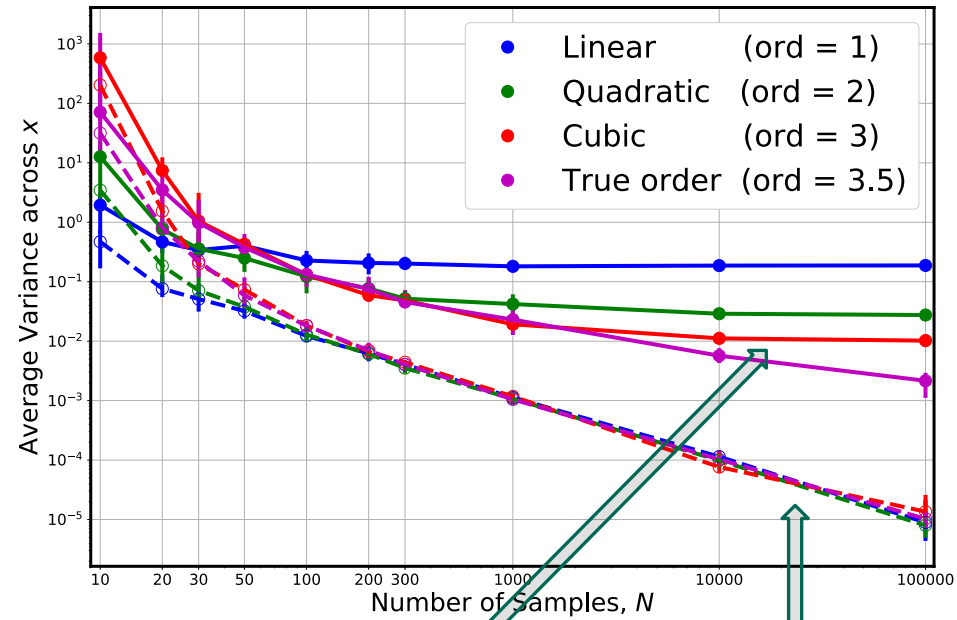
Back to toy example



Predictive uncertainty captures model error



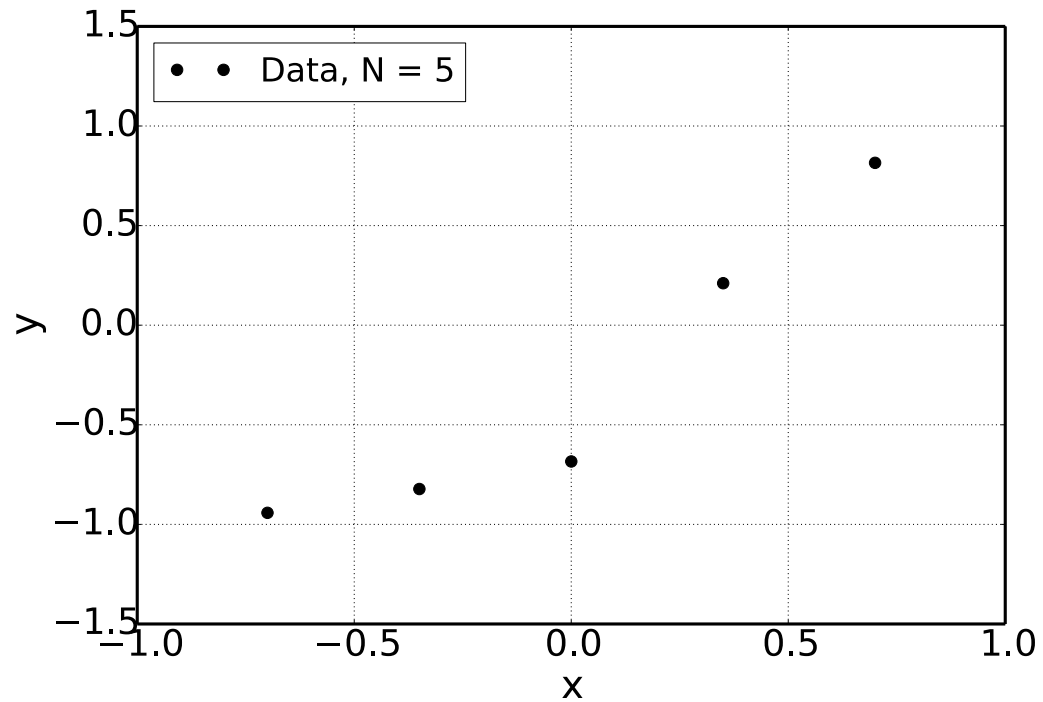
Stable prediction of “physical” parameters of the exponential function



Model error
(ME)

Post. uncertainty
(PU)

Wrong model leads to biased estimation

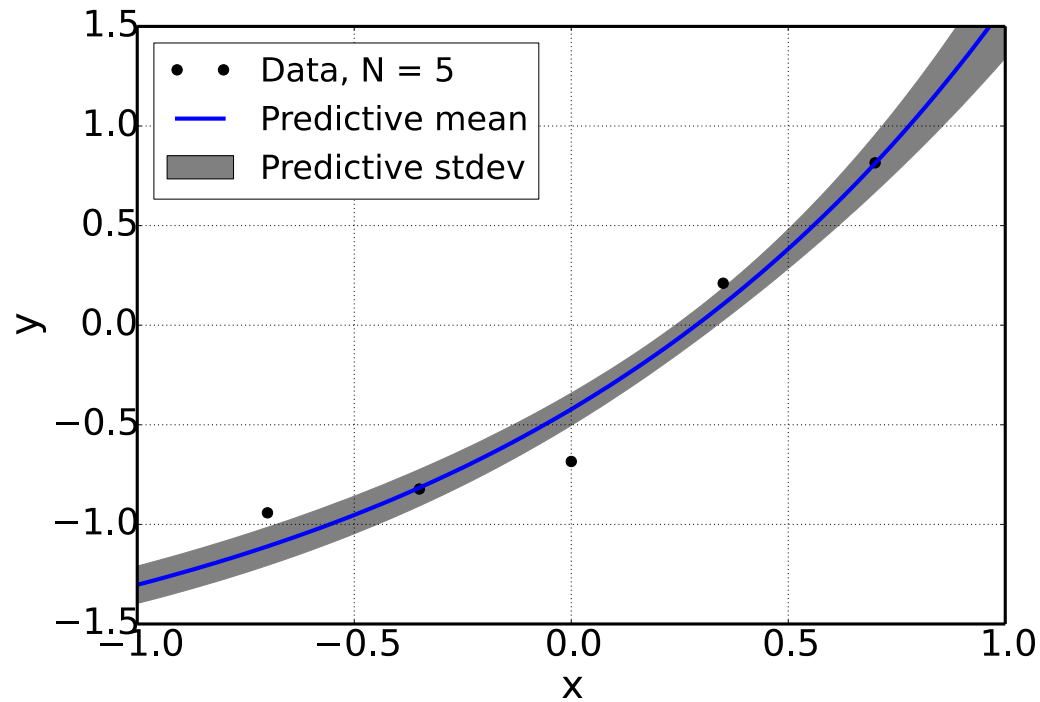


Given noisy data

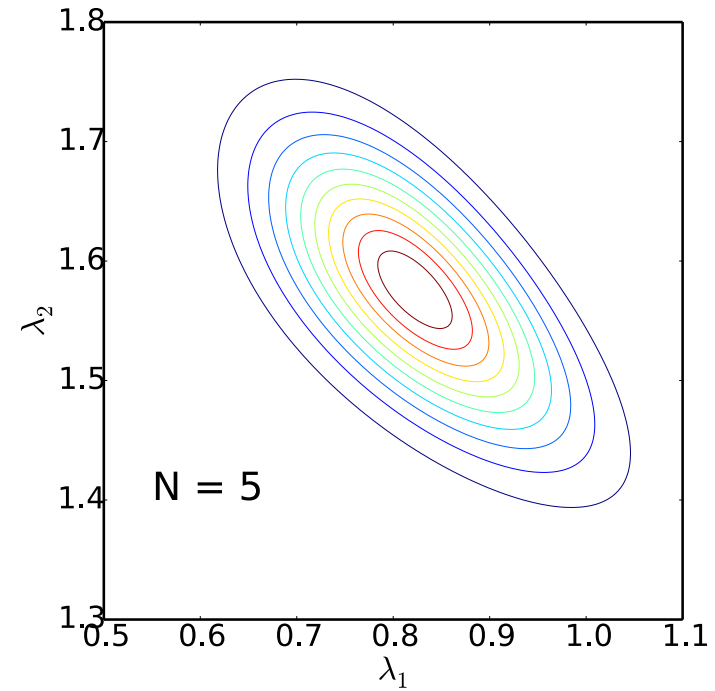
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Model prediction vs data



Posterior PDF of exponential parameters

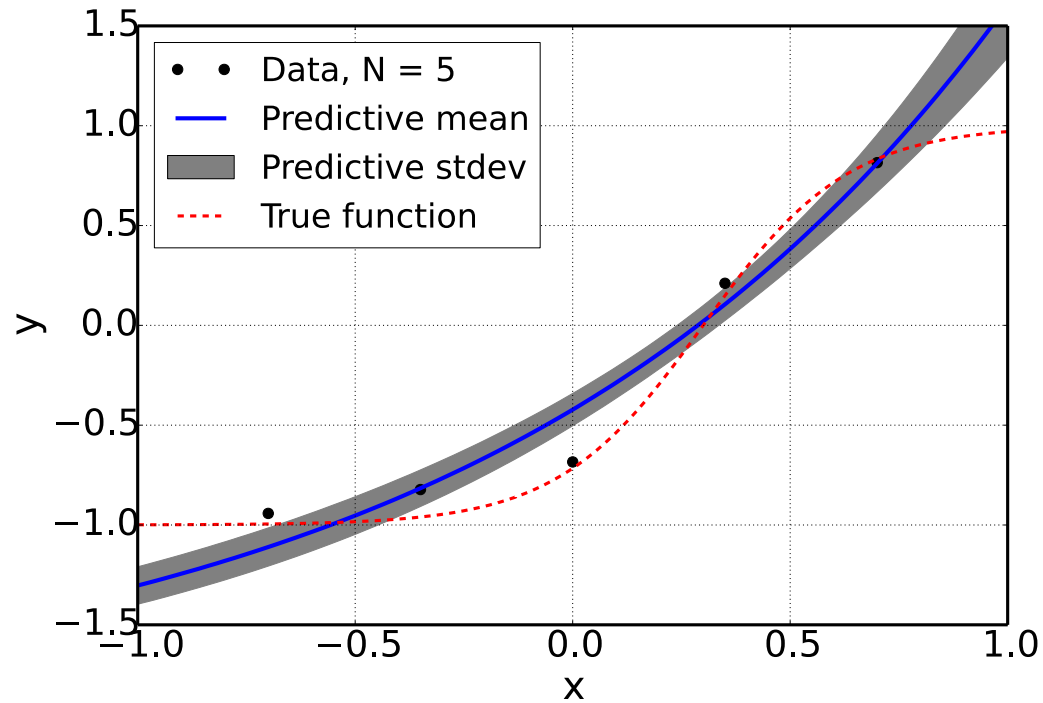


Calibrate an exponential model

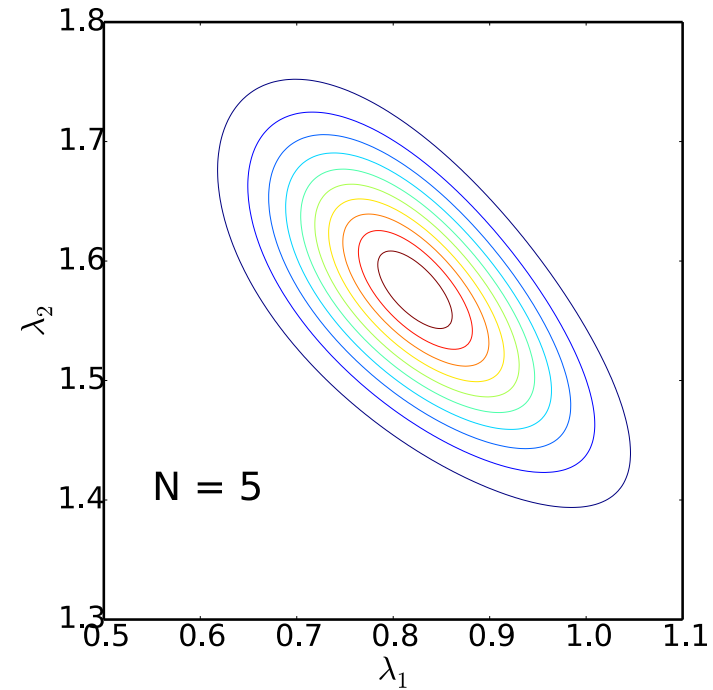
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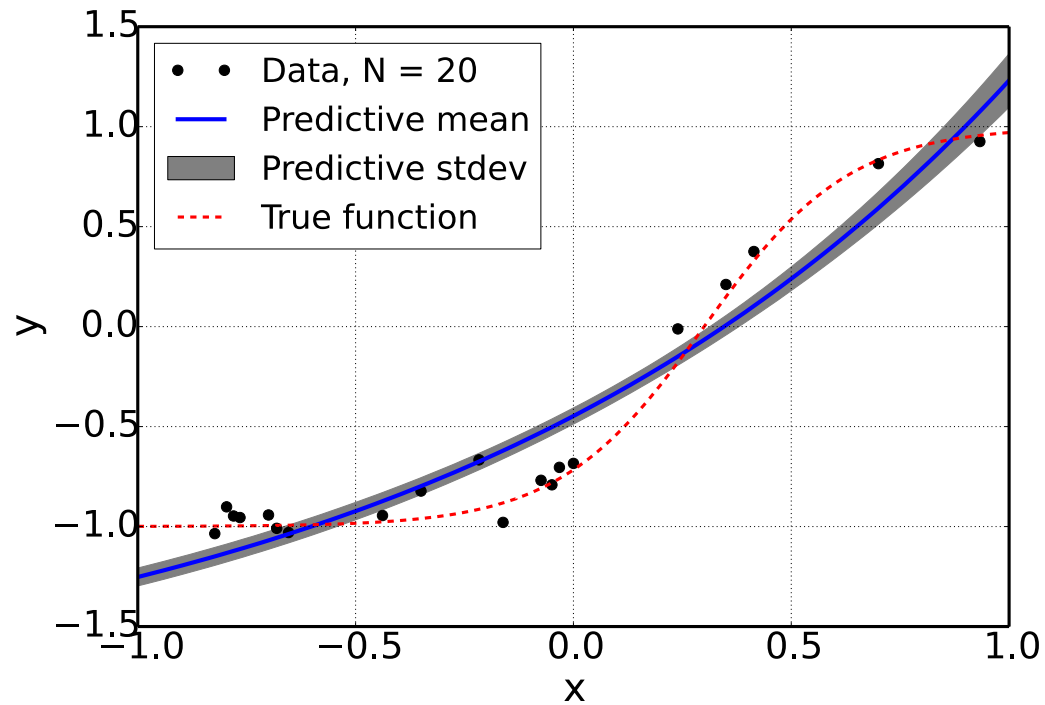


Calibrate an exponential model, but data comes from a different function (there is model error!)

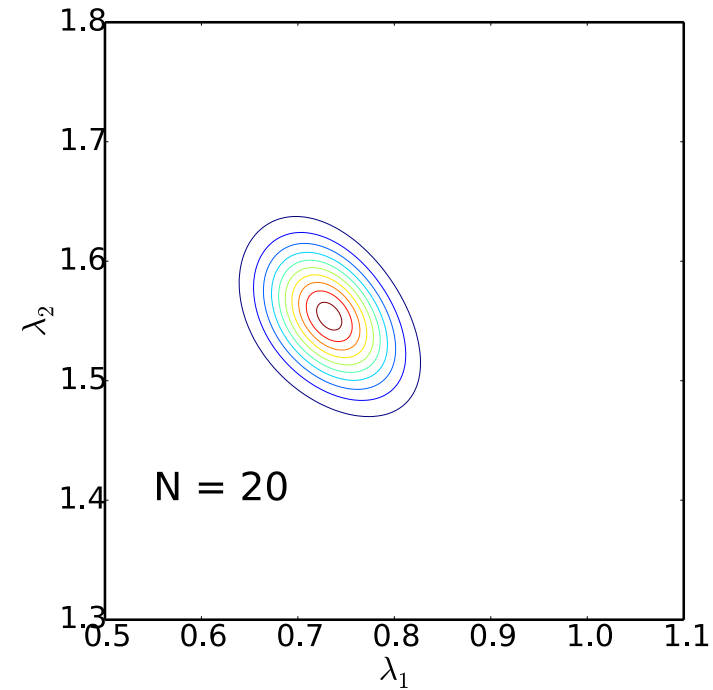
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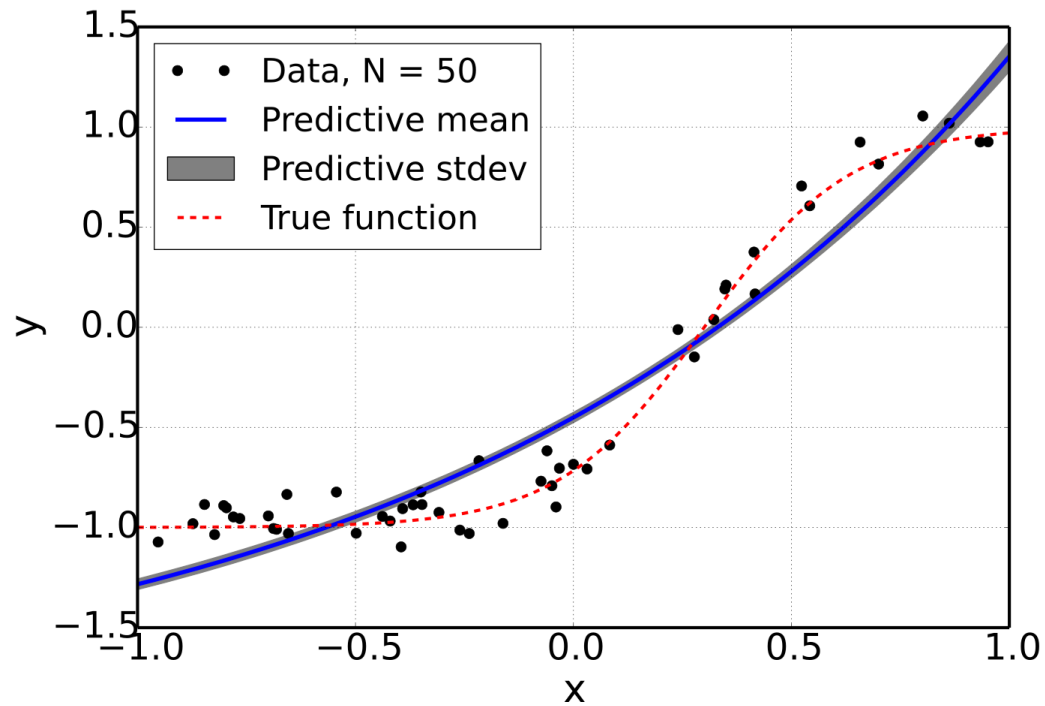


Collecting more data: become increasingly sure about the wrong values of parameters

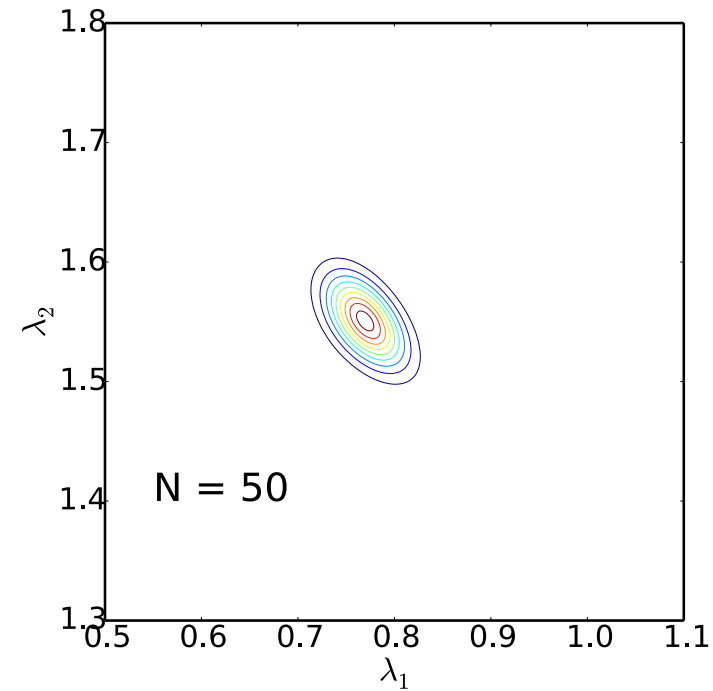
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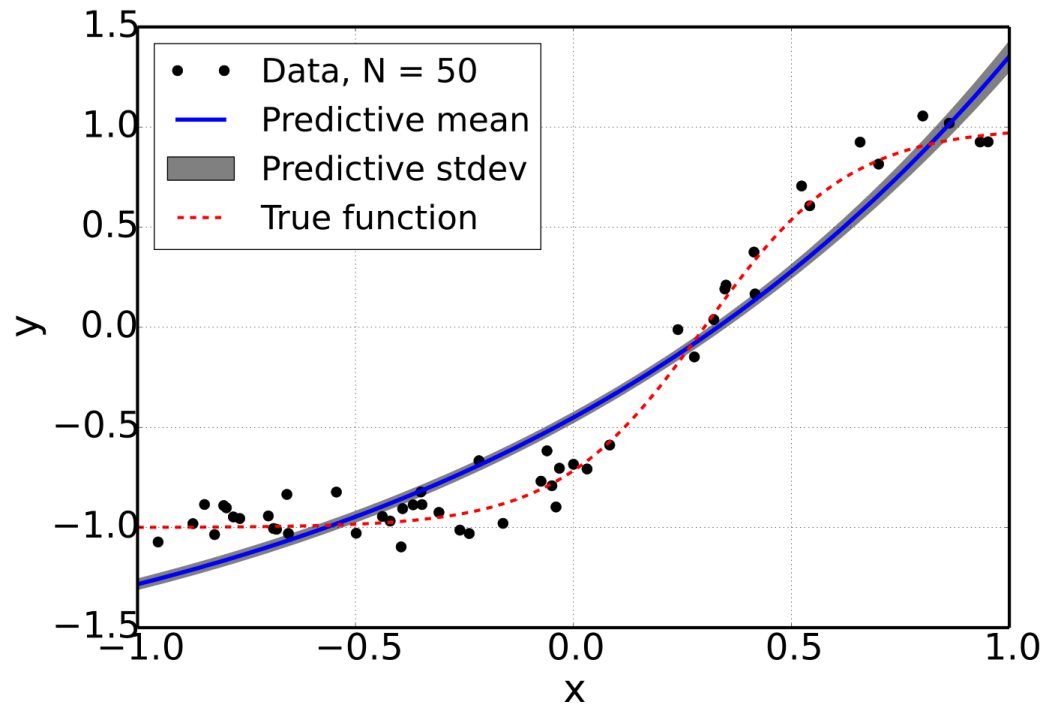


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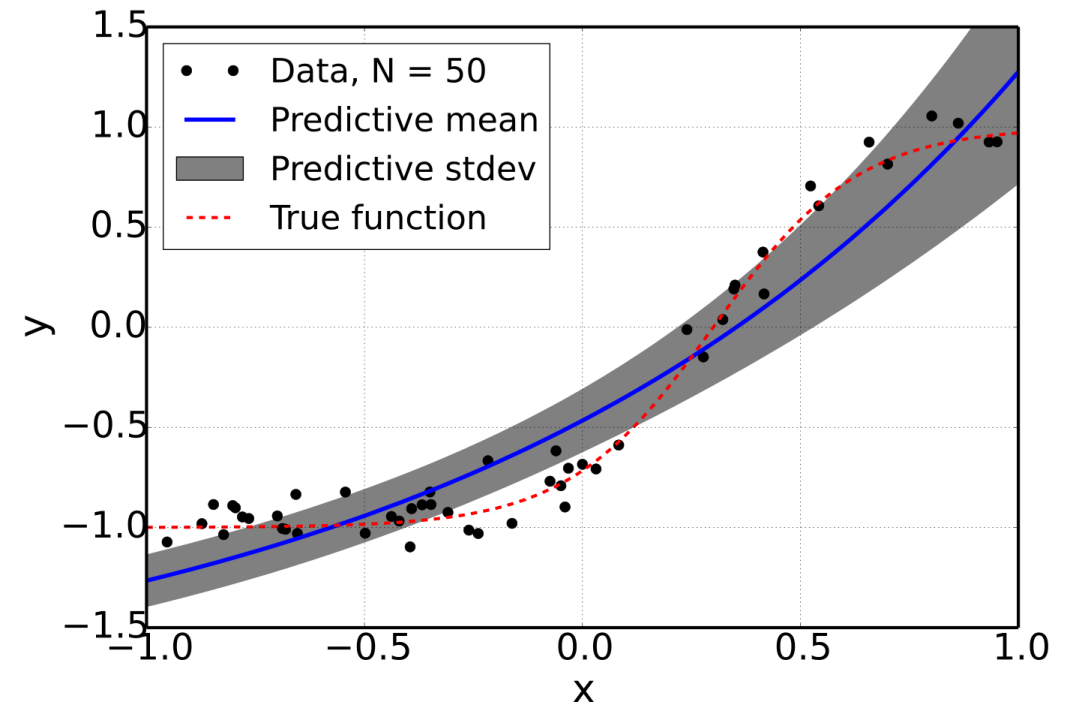


Model prediction vs data



Predictive uncertainties
do not capture
model-data discrepancy

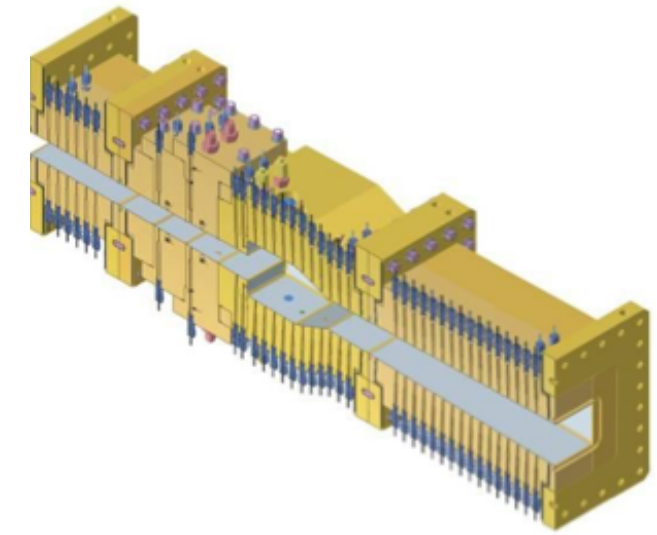
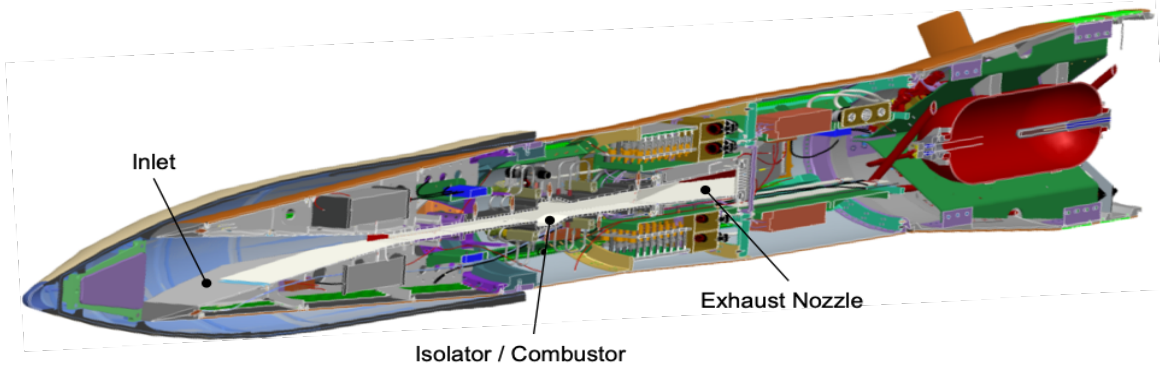
... what we actually want



Predictive uncertainties
capture
model-data discrepancy

Application: Turbulent Flow

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Large Eddy Simulation (LES) of a laboratory scale Scramjet combustor NASA Langley Hypersonic International Flight Research and Experimentation (HIFiRE) configuration

Application: Turbulent Flow

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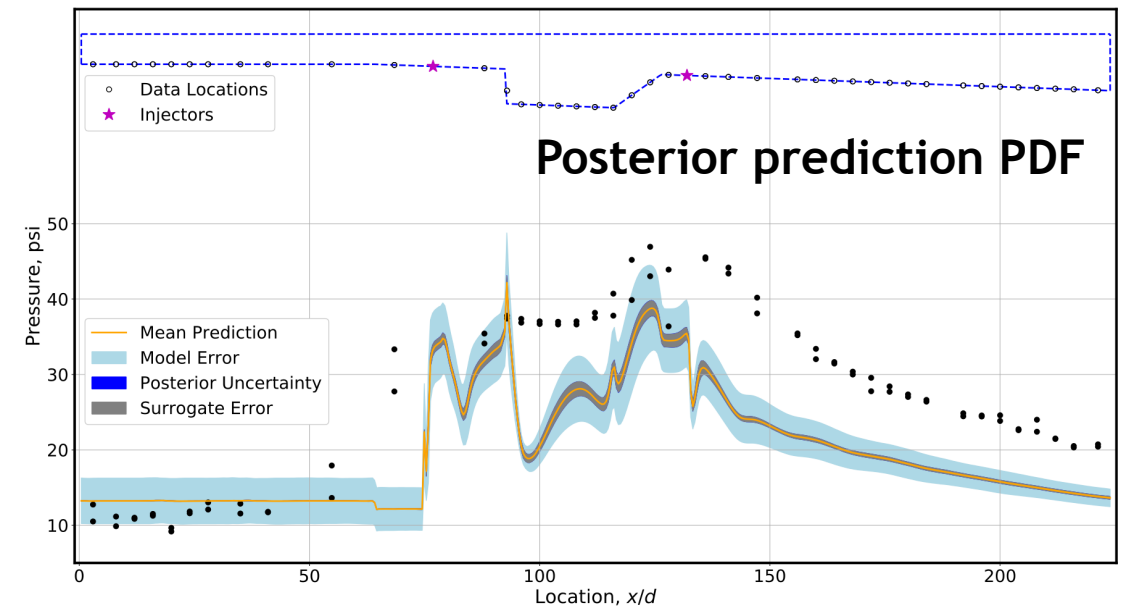
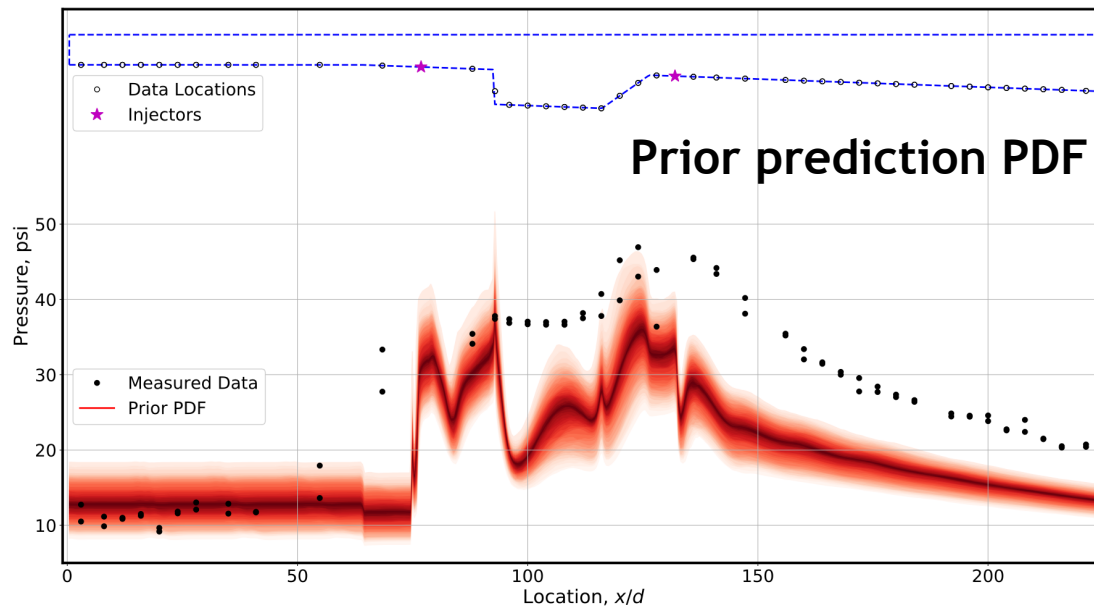


- Major UQ challenges for turbulent flow (LES)
 - Nonlinear dynamics
 - Large number of uncertain parameters
 - **LES model structural error**
 - Optimize design under uncertainty

Experimental data
obtained from NASA



Model error is the main contributor
of the predictive variance



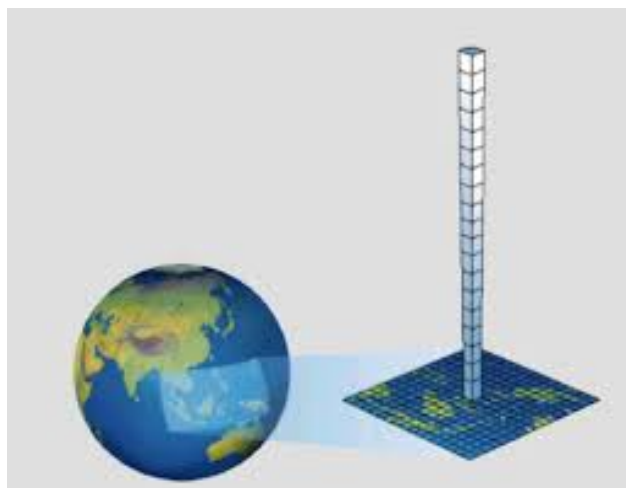
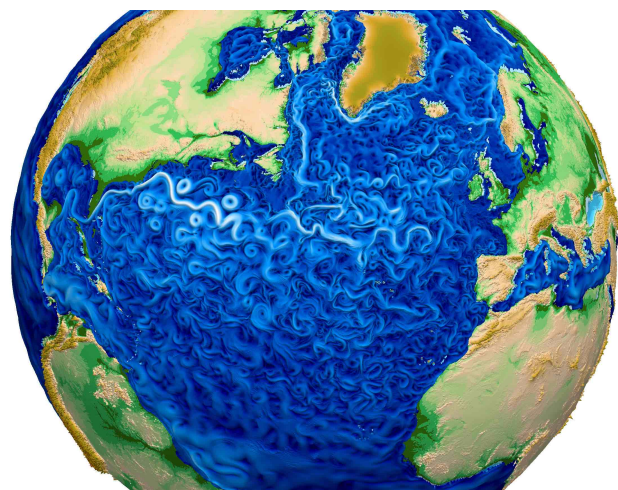
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Application: Earth System Land Model

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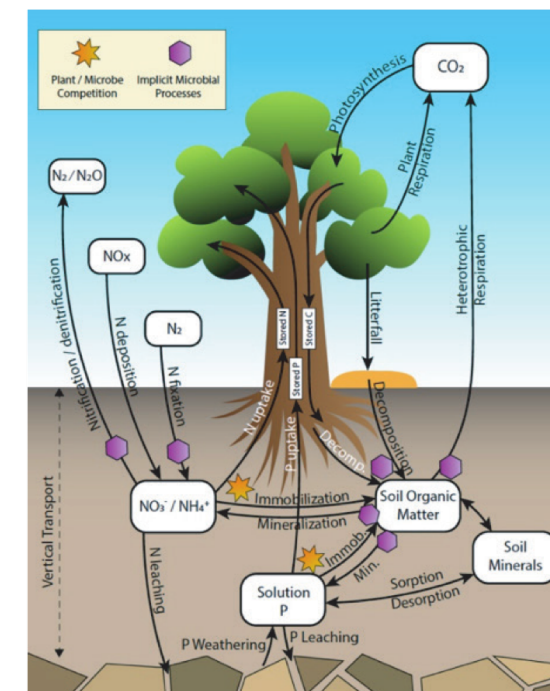


- US DOE sponsored Earth system model
- Land, atmosphere, ocean, ice, human system components
- High-resolution, employ DOE leadership-class computing facilities



National Energy Research Scientific Computing Center

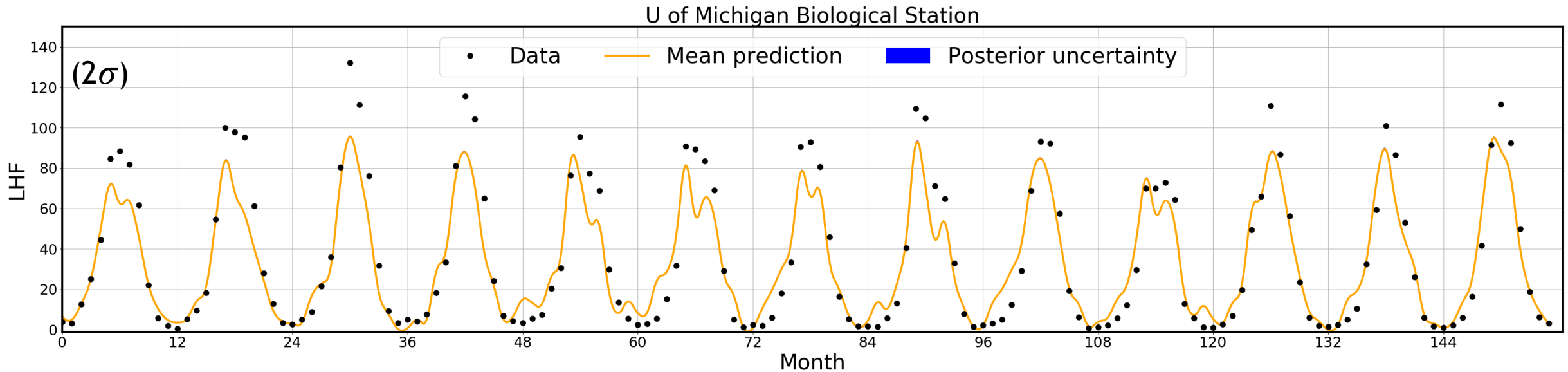
Serving as a UQ Lead for Land Model:
Direct UQ impact on several land components,
collaboration with multiple NLs



Land model calibration given FLUXNET observations



Conventional calibration **without** model error



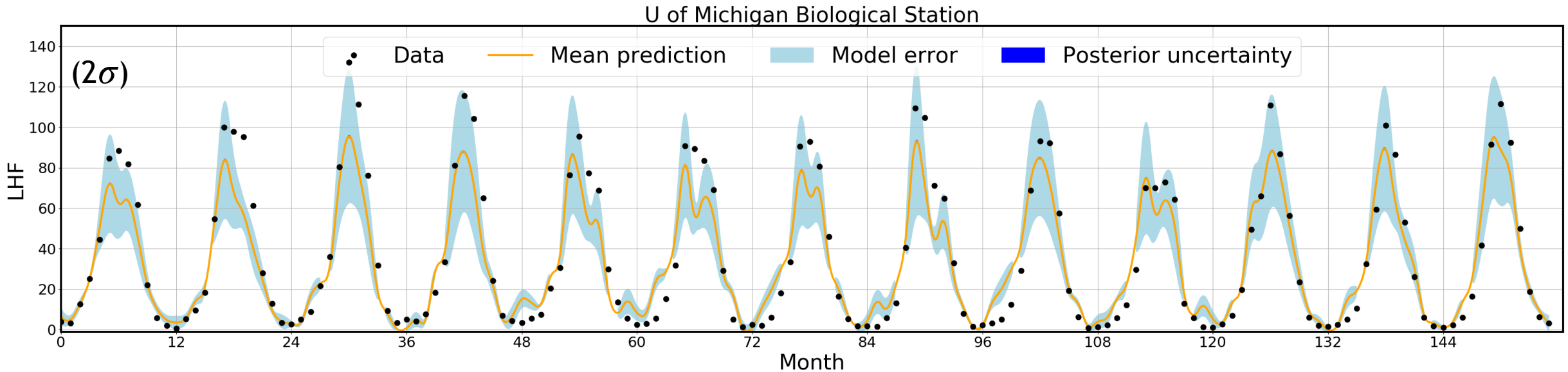
- Summer month peaks are not captured
- Posterior uncertainty negligible

LHF = Latent Heat Flux

Land model calibration given FLUXNET observations



Calibration **with** embedded model error

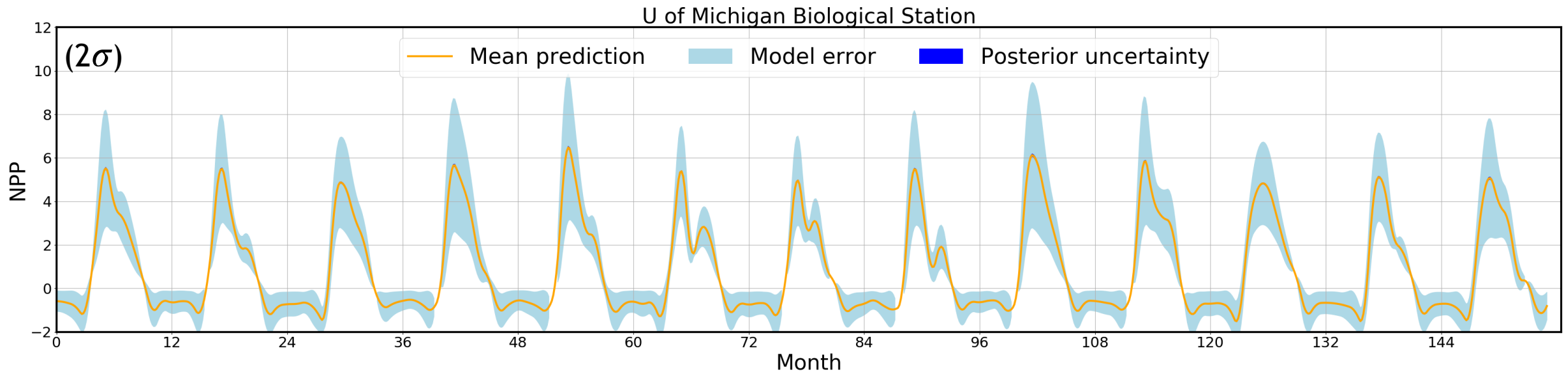


- Model error component dominates
- Captures model deficiency in summer months
- Indicates model improvement opportunities
- For further improvement: more intrusive embedding

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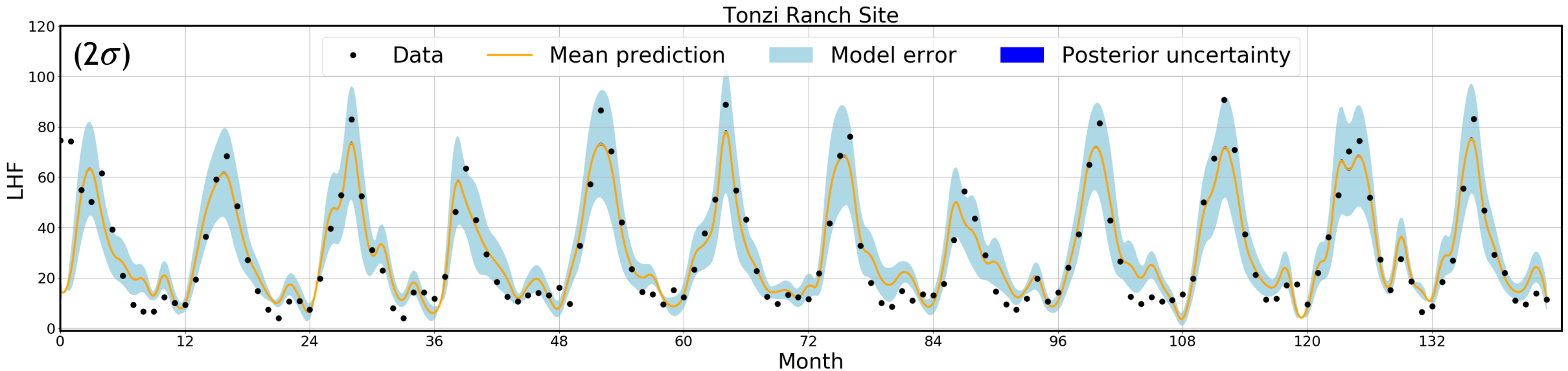
Calibration **with** embedded model error



- Allows more accurate prediction of unobservable QoIs
- Can be piped to human component or atmosphere model as a boundary condition

NPP = Net Primary Productivity

Calibration **with** embedded model error



- Allows prediction at other FLUXNET sites
- Assumption: model goes wrong in a similar way