

Uncertainty quantification in high-dimensional, nonlinear and expensive models



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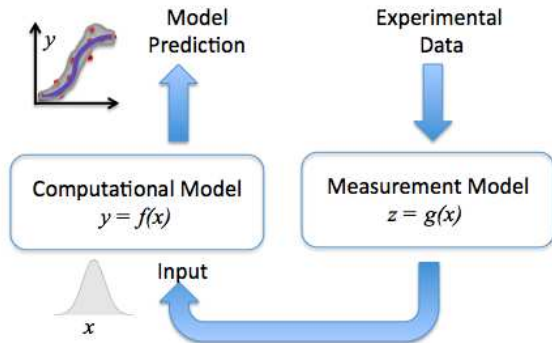
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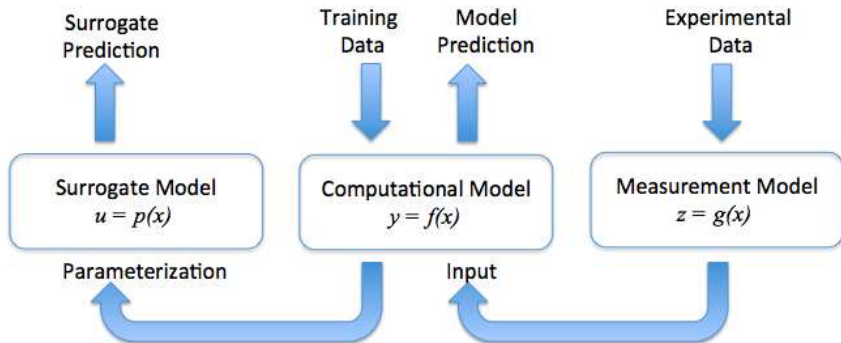
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- (Bayesian) Probabilistic UQ methods well-suited
- Uncertainty \sim Probability \sim State of knowledge

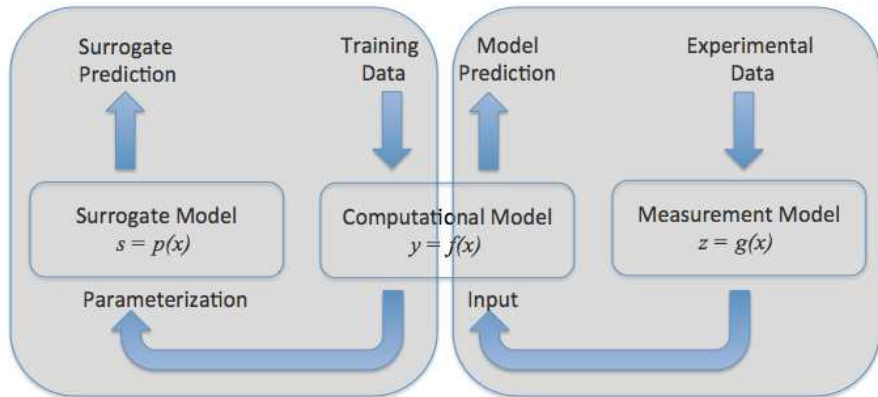
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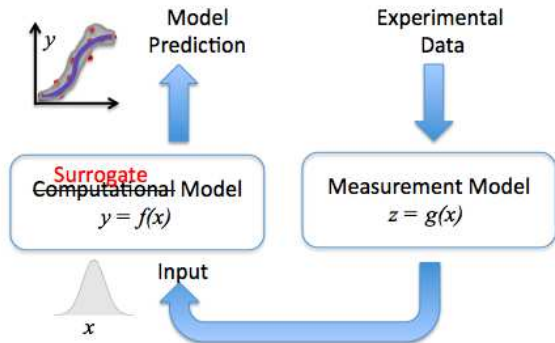
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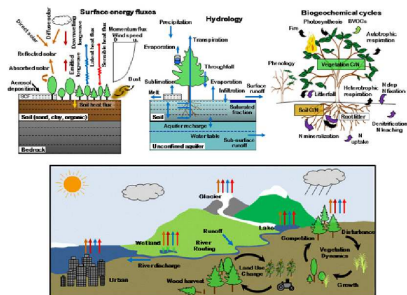
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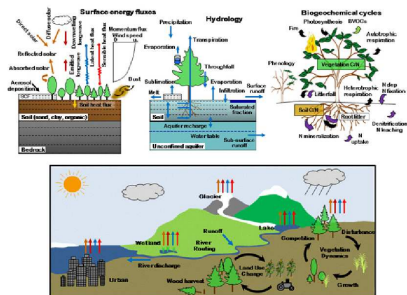
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- A single-site, 1000-yr simulation takes ~ 10 hrs on 1 CPU
- Involves ~ 70 input parameters; some dependent
- Non-smooth input-output relationship

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UQ challenges:

- Computationally expensive
- High dimensionality
- Non-smooth/nonlinear behavior

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Polynomial Chaos surrogate construction

- Scale the input parameters $x_i \in [a_i, b_i]$

$$x_i = \frac{a_i + b_i}{2} + \frac{b_i - a_i}{2} \xi_i$$

- Forward function $f(\cdot)$, output u

$$y = f(\mathbf{x}) \quad \approx \quad u = p(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} c_k \Psi_k(\boldsymbol{\xi})$$

- A lot of information for free:
 - Global sensitivity (Sobol) indices, variance-based decomposition
 - Moments of u , as a random variable

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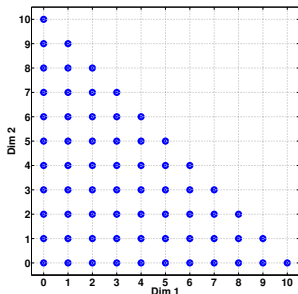
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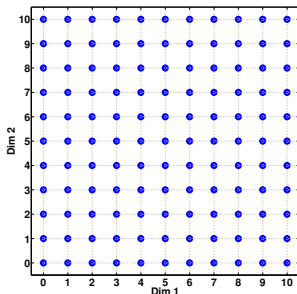


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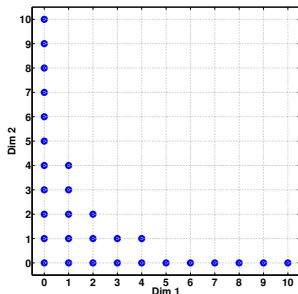


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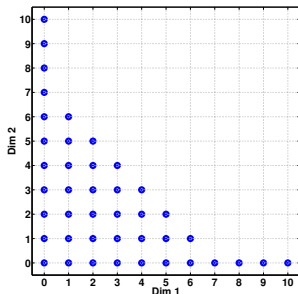


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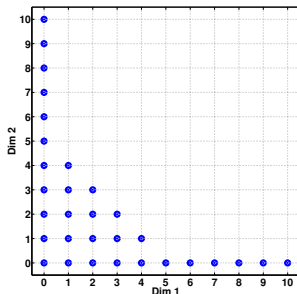


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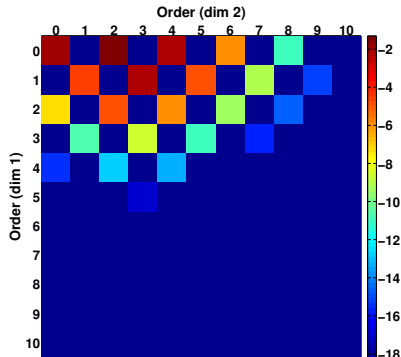
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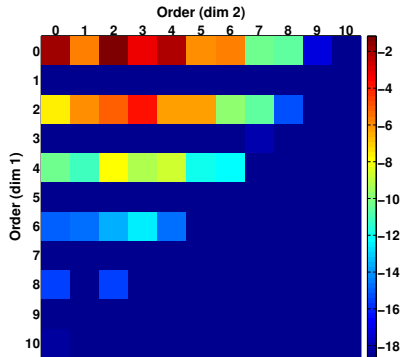
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Bayesian Likelihood Prior

BCS removes unnecessary basis terms

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The square (i, j) represents the (log) spectral coefficient for the basis term $\psi_i(x_1)\psi_j(x_2)$.

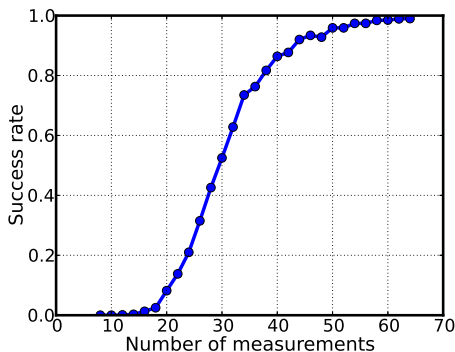
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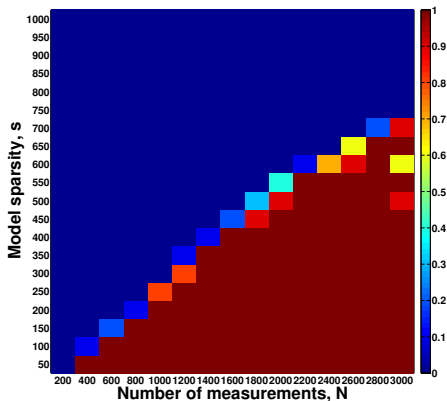
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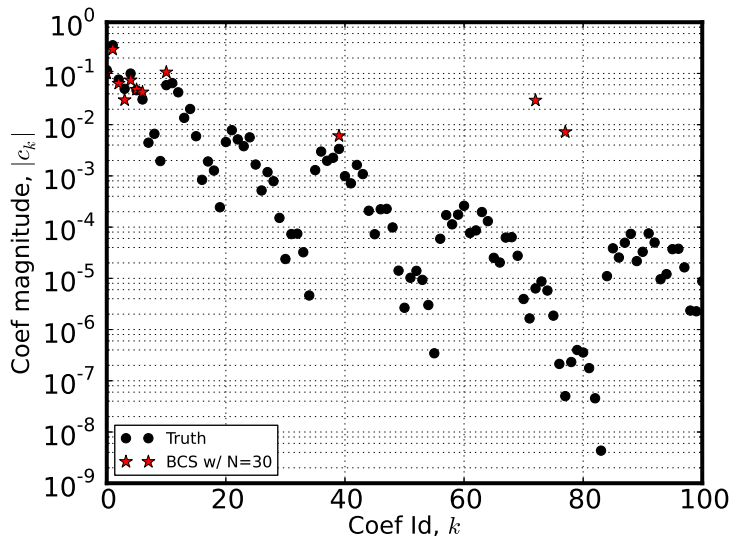
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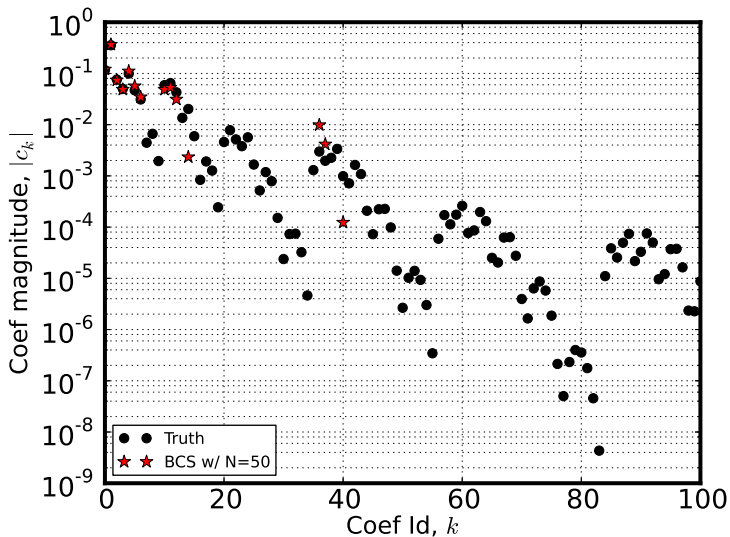
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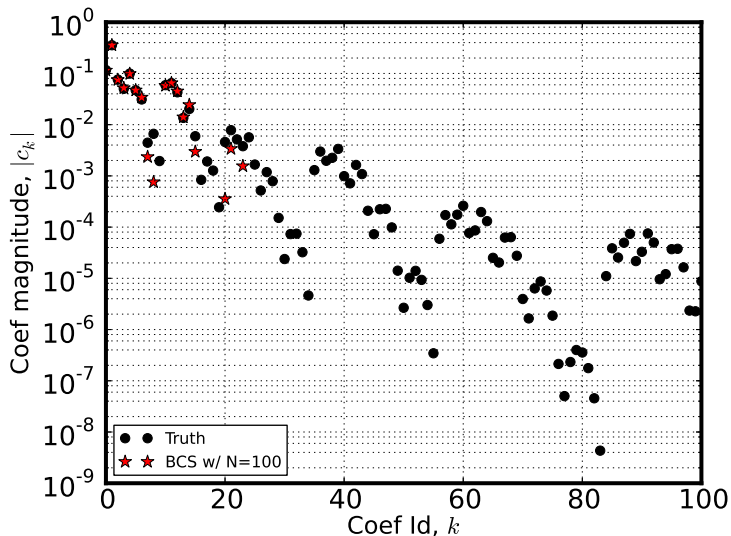
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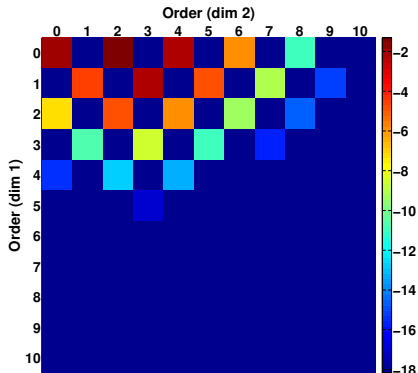


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Basis set growth with iterative BCS

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Piecewise-PC expansion deals with nonlinearities:

use data classification methods

- Cluster the training dataset into non-overlapping subsets \mathcal{D}_1 and \mathcal{D}_2 , where the behavior of function is smoother
- Construct global PC expansions $g_i(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_k c_{ik} \Psi_k(\mathbf{x})$ using each dataset individually ($i = 1, 2$)
- Declare a surrogate

$$g_s(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} g_1(\mathbf{x}) & \text{if } \mathbf{x} \in^* \mathcal{D}_1 \\ g_2(\mathbf{x}) & \text{if } \mathbf{x} \in^* \mathcal{D}_2 \end{cases}$$

* Requires a classification step to find out which cluster \mathbf{x} belongs to. We applied Random Decision Forests (RDF).

- Caveat: the sensitivity information is harder to obtain.

Illustration of piecewise PC construction

Global 5-th order surrogate fails

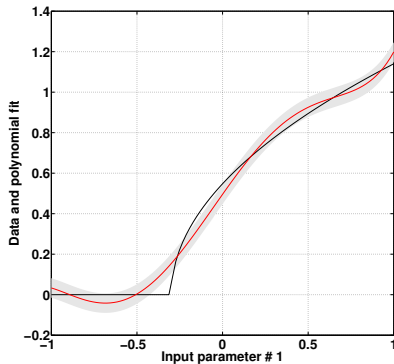
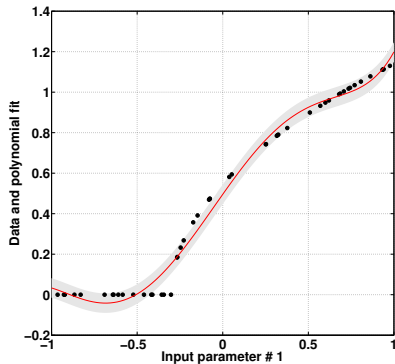


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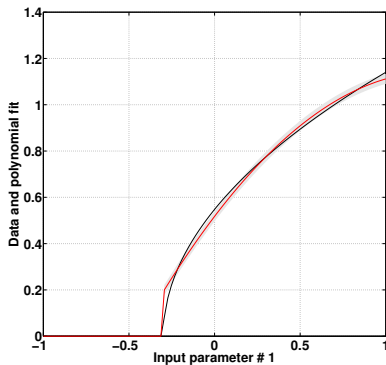
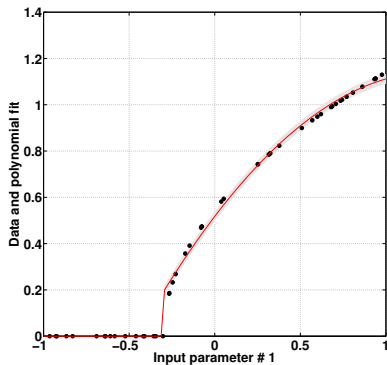


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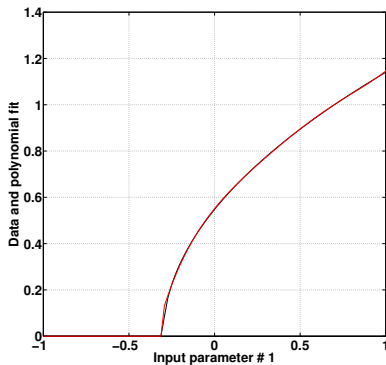
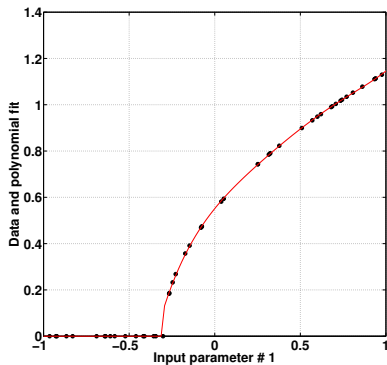


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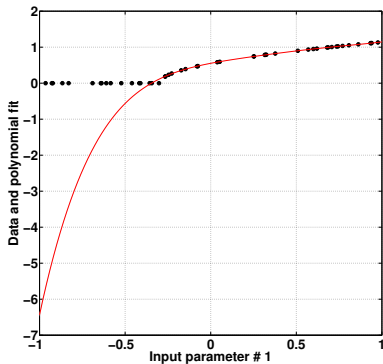
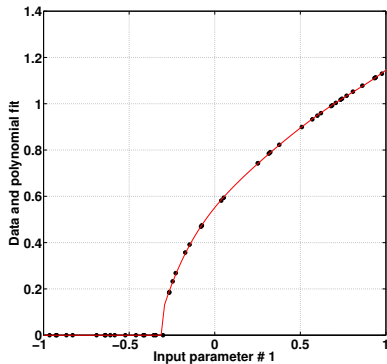


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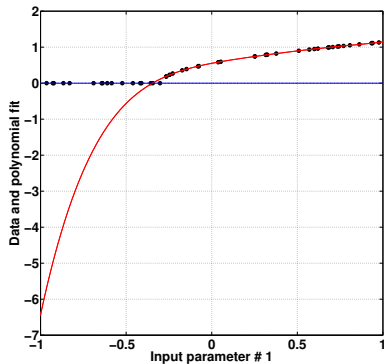
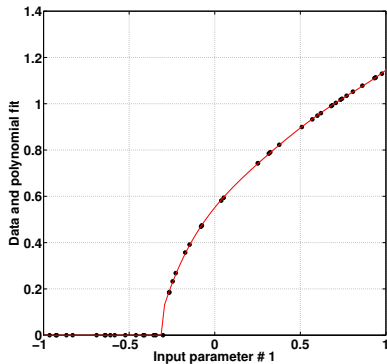
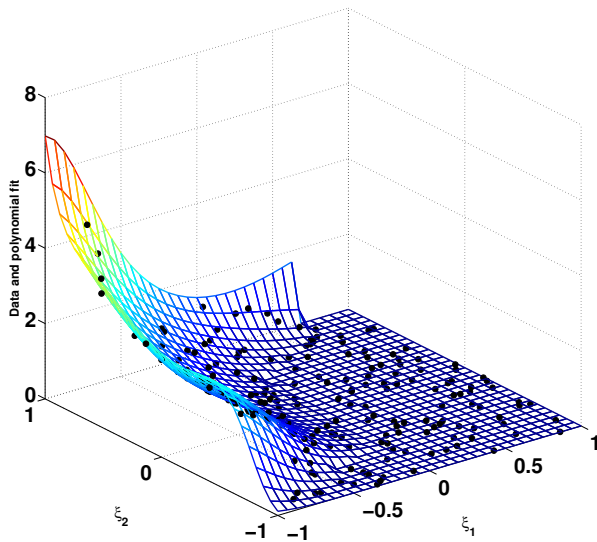
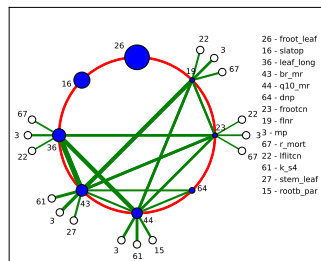
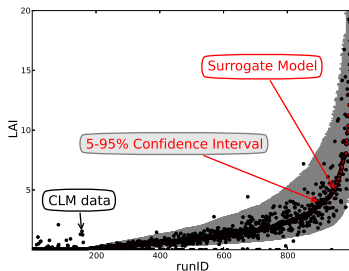


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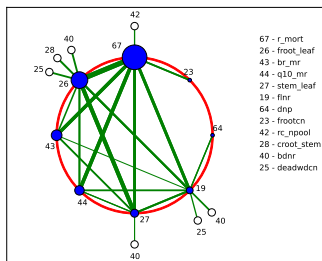
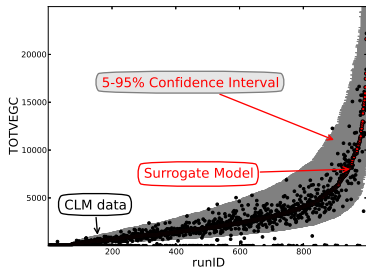
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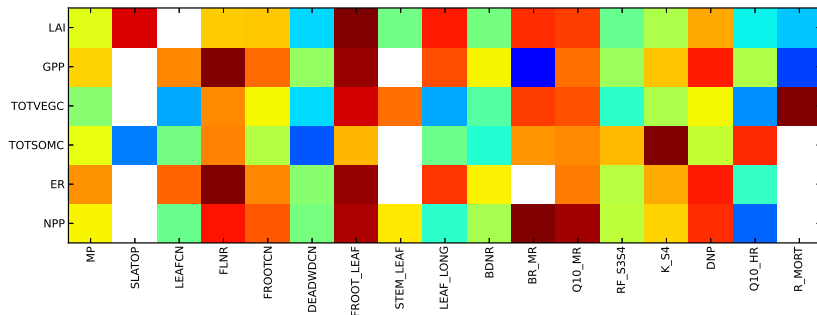
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Summary

- Surrogate models are necessary for UQ studies of complex models
 - Replace the full model for both forward and inverse UQ
 - Uncertain inputs
 - Polynomial Chaos surrogates well-suited
 - Limited training dataset
 - Bayesian methods handle limited information well
 - Curse of dimensionality
 - The hope is that not too many dimensions matter
 - Compressive sensing (CS) ideas ported from machine learning
 - We implemented *iterative* Bayesian CS algorithm that reduces dimensionality and increases order on-the-fly.
 - Nonlinear behavior
 - Data clustering and classification-driven piecewise PC
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- Future work, open issues
 - Computational design. What is the best sampling strategy?
 - Weighted l_1 minimization to accommodate natural coefficient decay.

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Thank You

Random variables represented by Polynomial Chaos

$$Y \simeq \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} c_k \Psi_k(\boldsymbol{\xi})$$

- $\boldsymbol{\xi} = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_d)$ standard i.i.d. r.v.
 Ψ_k standard polynomials, orthogonal w.r.t. $\pi(\boldsymbol{\xi})$.

$$\Psi_k(\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_d) = \psi_{k_1}(\xi_1) \psi_{k_2}(\xi_2) \cdots \psi_{k_d}(\xi_d)$$

- Typical truncation rule: total-order p , $k_1 + k_2 + \dots + k_d \leq p$.
Number of terms is $K = \frac{(d+p)!}{d!p!}$.
- Essentially, a parameterization of a r.v. by deterministic spectral modes c_k .
- Most common standard Polynomial-Variable pairs:
(continuous) Gauss-Hermite, Legendre-Uniform,
(discrete) Poisson-Charlier.

Bayesian Compressive Sensing (BCS), or Relevance Vector Machine (RVM)

- Dimensionality reduction by using hierarchical priors

$$p(c_k | \sigma_k^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_k} e^{-\frac{c_k^2}{2\sigma_k^2}} \quad p(\sigma_k^2 | \alpha) = \frac{\alpha}{2} e^{-\frac{\alpha\sigma_k^2}{2}}$$

- Effectively, one obtains Laplace *sparsity* prior

$$p(\mathbf{c} | \alpha) = \int \prod_{k=0}^{K-1} p(c_k | \sigma_k^2) p(\sigma_k^2 | \alpha) d\sigma_k^2 = \prod_{k=0}^{K-1} \frac{\sqrt{\alpha}}{2} e^{-\sqrt{\alpha}|c_k|}$$

- The parameter α can be further modeled hierarchically, or fixed.
- Evidence maximization dictates values for σ_k^2 , α , σ^2 and allows exact Bayesian solution

$$\mathbf{c} \sim \mathcal{MVN}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$$

with

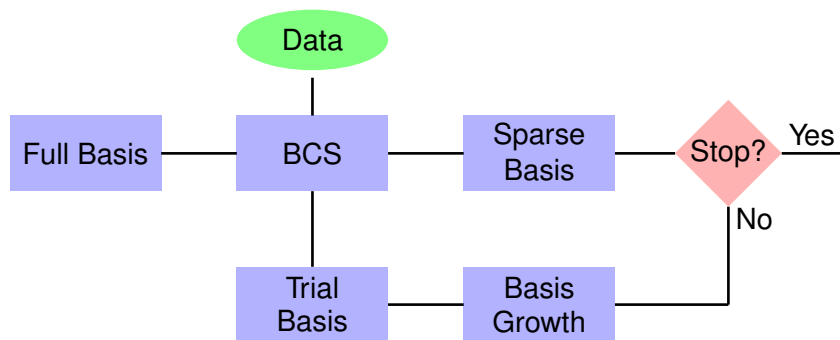
$$\boldsymbol{\mu} = \sigma^{-2} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{u} \quad \boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \sigma^2 (\mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{P} + \text{diag}(\sigma^2 / \sigma_k^2))^{-1}$$

- KEY: Some $\sigma_k^2 \rightarrow 0$, hence the corresponding basis terms are dropped.

[Tipping, 2001, Ji et al., 2008; Babacan et al., 2010]

Iterative Bayesian Compressive Sensing (iBCS)

- *Iterative BCS*: We implement an iterative procedure that allows increasing the order for the relevant basis terms while maintaining the dimensionality reduction [Sargsyan *et al.* 2013].



Input correlations: Rosenblatt transformation

- Rosenblatt transformation maps any (not necessarily independent) set of random variables $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_d)$ to uniform i.i.d.'s $\{\eta_i\}_{i=1}^d$ [Rosenblatt, 1952].

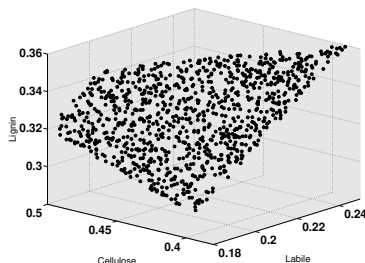
$$\eta_1 = F_1(\lambda_1)$$

$$\eta_2 = F_{2|1}(\lambda_2|\lambda_1)$$

$$\eta_3 = F_{3|2,1}(\lambda_3|\lambda_2, \lambda_1)$$

\vdots

$$\eta_d = F_{d|d-1, \dots, 1}(\lambda_d|\lambda_{d-1}, \dots, \lambda_1)$$



- Inverse Rosenblatt transformation $\lambda = R^{-1}(\eta)$ ensures a well-defined input PC construction

$$\lambda_i = \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} \lambda_{ik} \Psi_k(\eta)$$

- Caveat: the conditional distributions are often hard to evaluate accurately.

Strong discontinuities/nonlinearities challenge global polynomial expansions

- Basis enrichment [Ghosh & Ghanem, 2005]
- Stochastic domain decomposition
 - Wiener-Haar expansions,
Multiblock expansions,
Multiwavelets, [Le Maître *et al*, 2004,2007]
 - also known as Multielement PC [Wan & Karniadakis, 2009]
- Smart splitting, discontinuity detection
[Archibald *et al*, 2009; Chantrasmi, 2011; Sargsyan *et al*, 2011; Jakeman *et al*, 2012]
- Data domain decomposition,
 - Mixture PC expansions [Sargsyan *et al*, 2010]
- Data clustering, classification,
 - Piecewise PC expansions

Sensitivity information comes free with PC surrogate,

$$g(x_1, \dots, x_d) = \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} c_k \Psi_k(\mathbf{x})$$

- Main effect sensitivity indices

$$S_i = \frac{\text{Var}[\mathbb{E}(g(\mathbf{x}|x_i))] }{\text{Var}[g(\mathbf{x})]} = \frac{\sum_{k \in \mathbb{I}_i} c_k^2 \|\Psi_k\|^2}{\sum_{k > 0} c_k^2 \|\Psi_k\|^2}$$

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- Joint sensitivity indices

$$S_{ij} = \frac{\text{Var}[\mathbb{E}(g(\mathbf{x}|x_i, x_j))] }{\text{Var}[g(\mathbf{x})]} - S_i - S_j = \frac{\sum_{k \in \mathbb{I}_{ij}} c_k^2 \|\Psi_k\|^2}{\sum_{k > 0} c_k^2 \|\Psi_k\|^2}$$

\mathbb{I}_{ij} is the set of bases with only x_i and x_j involved

Sensitivity information comes free with PC surrogate, but not with piecewise PC

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- For piecewise PC, need to resort to Monte-Carlo estimation
[\[Saltelli, 2002\]](#).