



Multifidelity modeling: Exploiting structure in high-dimensional problems

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- What is multifidelity modeling?
- Motivation
- Multifidelity modeling approaches:
 - Optimization
 - Inverse problems
 - Uncertainty quantification

Multifidelity modeling

Often have available several physical and/or numerical models that describe a system of interest.

- Models may stem from different resolutions, different assumptions, surrogates, approximate models, etc.
- Each model has its own “fidelity” and computational cost

Today’s focus:

- Multifidelity setup with two models:
a “truth” full-order model and a reduced-order model
- Want to use the reduced model to accelerate solution of optimization, uncertainty quantification, or inverse problem solution {opt, UQ, inverse}

Projection-based model reduction

$$\begin{array}{l} \dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{p})\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{p})\mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{p})\mathbf{x} \end{array} \xrightarrow{\mathbf{x} \approx \mathbf{V}\mathbf{x}_r} \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{V}\dot{\mathbf{x}}_r - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{x}_r - \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{y}_r = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{x}_r \end{array}$$

$$\downarrow \mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{r} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}_r(\mathbf{p}) &= \mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{p}) \mathbf{V} \\ \mathbf{B}_r(\mathbf{p}) &= \mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{p}) \\ \mathbf{C}_r(\mathbf{p}) &= \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{p}) \mathbf{V} \end{aligned}$$

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$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^N$: state vector
 $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbf{R}^{N_p}$: parameter vector
 $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{R}^{N_i}$: input vector
 $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{R}^{N_o}$: output vector

$\mathbf{x}_r \in \mathbf{R}^n$: reduced state vector
 $\mathbf{V} \in \mathbf{R}^{N \times n}$: reduced basis

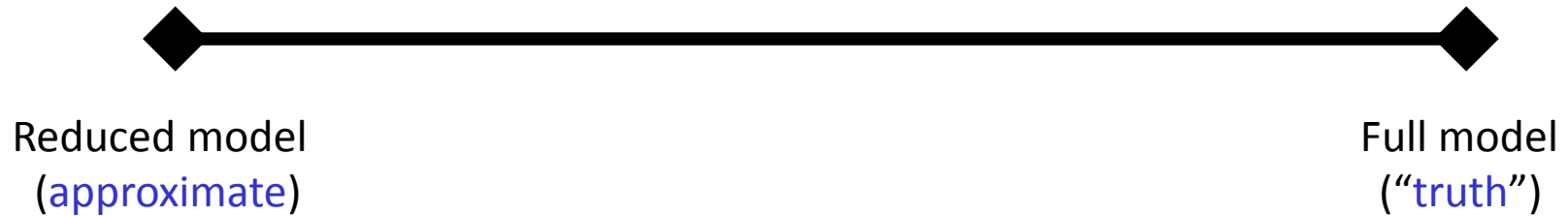
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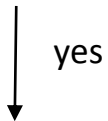
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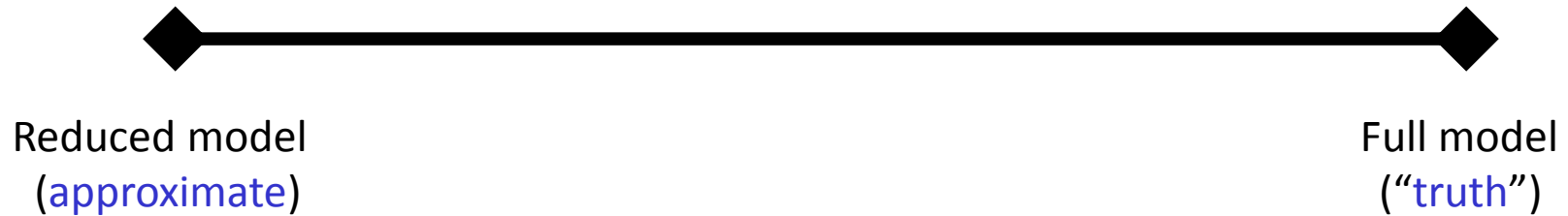


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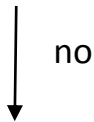


- Replace full model with reduced model and solve {opt, UQ, inverse}
- Propagate error estimates on forward predictions to determine error in {opt, UQ, inverse} solutions (may be non-trivial)

Why use a multifidelity formulation?



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- Replace full model with reduced model and solve {opt, UQ, inverse}
- Hope for the best

Why use a multifidelity formulation?



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- Use a multifidelity formulation that invokes both the reduced model and the full model
- Trade computational cost for the ability to place guarantees on the solution of {opt, UQ, inverse}

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- Use a multifidelity formulation that invokes both the reduced model and the full model
- Trade computational cost for the ability to place guarantees on the solution of {opt, UQ, inverse}
- **Certify the solution of {opt, UQ, inverse}** even in the absence of guarantees on the reduced model itself

Multifidelity Strategies

- For optimization:
 - adaptive model calibration (corrections)
 - combined with trust region model management
- For statistical inverse problems:
 - adaptive delayed acceptance Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) methods
- For forward propagation of uncertainty:
 - control variates

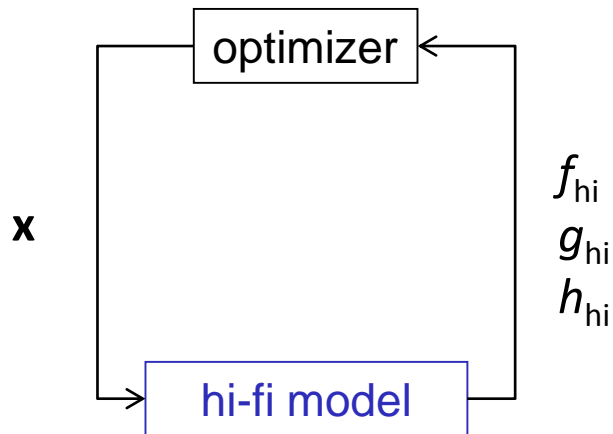
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OPTIMIZATION

Design optimization formulation

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x & f(x) \\ \text{s.t.} & g(x) \leq 0 \\ & h(x) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Design variables	x
Objective	$f(x)$
Constraints	$g(x), h(x)$

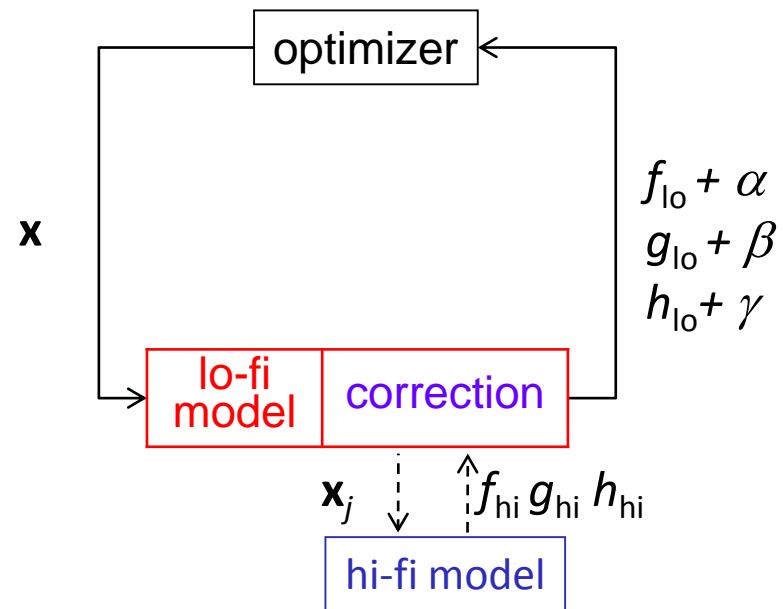
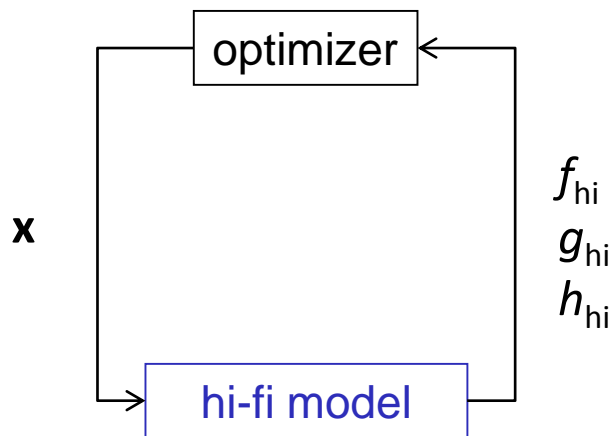


- Interested in optimization of systems governed by PDEs (constraints and objective evaluation is expensive)

Multifidelity optimization formulation

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_x f(x) \\ & \text{s.t. } g(x) \leq 0 \\ & \quad h(x) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Design variables x
 Objective $f(x)$
 Constraints $g(x), h(x)$



Multifidelity optimization: Surrogate definition

- Denote a surrogate model of $f_{\text{high}}(\mathbf{x})$ as $m(\mathbf{x})$
- The surrogate model could be:

1. The **low-fidelity function** (reduced model)

$$m(\mathbf{x}) = f_{\text{low}}(\mathbf{x}) \approx f_{\text{high}}(\mathbf{x})$$

2. The **sum** of the low-fidelity function and an additive correction

$$m(\mathbf{x}) = f_{\text{low}}(\mathbf{x}) + e(\mathbf{x}) \approx f_{\text{high}}(\mathbf{x})$$

where $e(\mathbf{x})$ is calibrated to the difference $f_{\text{high}}(\mathbf{x}) - f_{\text{low}}(\mathbf{x})$

3. The **product** of a low-fidelity function and a multiplicative correction

$$m(\mathbf{x}) = \beta_c(\mathbf{x}) f_{\text{low}}(\mathbf{x}) \approx f_{\text{high}}(\mathbf{x})$$

where $\beta_c(\mathbf{x})$ is calibrated to the quotient $f_{\text{high}}(\mathbf{x}) / f_{\text{low}}(\mathbf{x})$

- Update the correction terms as the optimization algorithm proceeds and additional evaluations of $f_{\text{high}}(\mathbf{x})$ become available

Multifidelity optimization: Trust-region model management

- At iteration k , define a trust region centered on iterate \mathbf{x}_k with size Δ_k

$$\mathcal{B}_k = \{\mathbf{x} : \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_k\| \leq \Delta_k\}$$

- m_k is the surrogate model on the k th iteration
- Determine a trial step \mathbf{s}_k at iteration k , by solving a subproblem of the form:

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} f(\mathbf{x}) \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \boxed{\begin{array}{ll} \min_{\mathbf{s}_k} & m_k(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{s}_k) \\ \text{s.t.} & \|\mathbf{s}_k\| \leq \Delta_k \end{array}}$$

(unconstrained case)

Multifidelity optimization: Trust-region model management

- Evaluate the function at the trial point: $f_{\text{high}}(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{s}_k)$
- Compute the ratio of the actual improvement in the function value to the improvement predicted by the surrogate model:

$$\rho_k = \frac{f_{\text{high}}(\mathbf{x}_k) - f_{\text{high}}(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{s}_k)}{m_k(\mathbf{x}_k) - m_k(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{s}_k)}$$

- Accept or reject the trial point and update trust region size according to (typical parameters):

$\rho^k \leq 0$	Reject step	$\Delta^{k+1} \equiv 0.5\Delta^k$
$0 < \rho^k \leq 0.1$	Accept step	$\Delta^{k+1} \equiv 0.5\Delta^k$
$0.1 < \rho^k < 0.75$	Accept step	$\Delta^{k+1} \equiv \Delta^k$
$0.75 \leq \rho^k$	Accept step	$\Delta^{k+1} \equiv 2\Delta^k$

Trust-Region Algorithm for Iteration k

1. Compute a step, \mathbf{s}_k , by solving the trust-region subproblem,

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{s}_k} \quad & m_k(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{s}_k) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \|\mathbf{s}_k\| \leq \Delta_k. \end{aligned}$$

2. Evaluate $f_{\text{high}}(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{s}_k)$.
3. Compute the ratio of actual improvement to predicted improvement,

$$\rho_k = \frac{f_{\text{high}}(\mathbf{x}_k) - f_{\text{high}}(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{s}_k)}{m_k(\mathbf{x}_k) - m_k(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{s}_k)}.$$

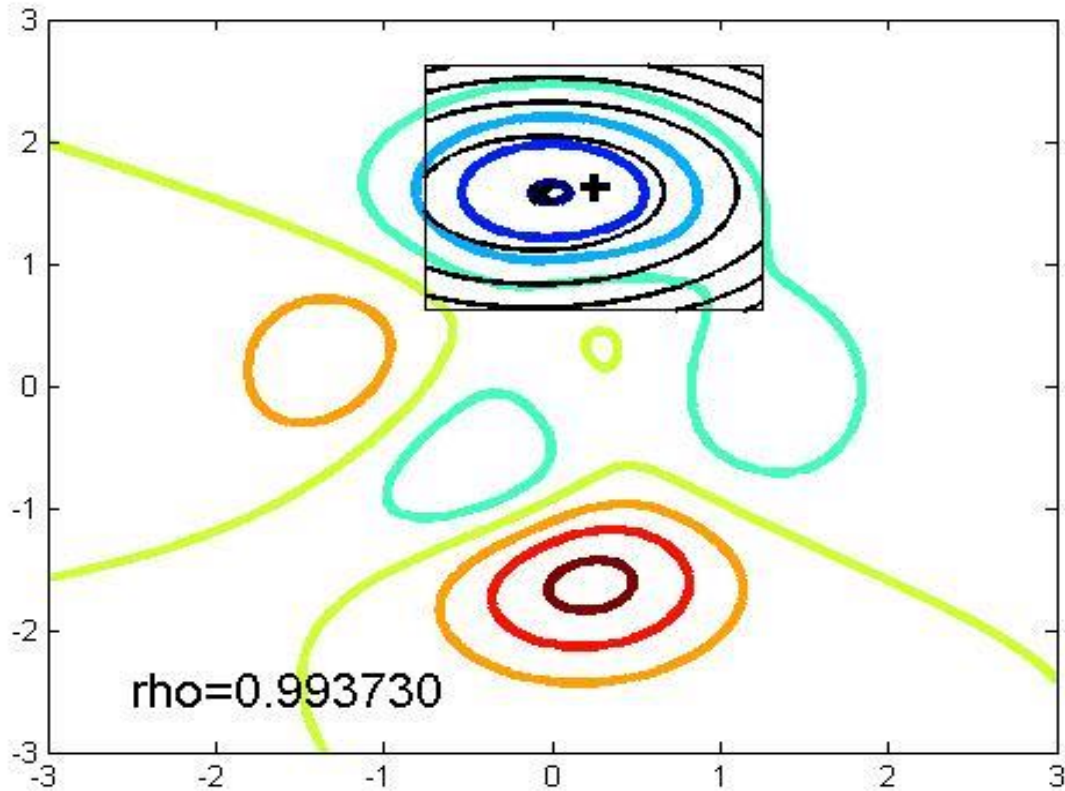
4. Accept or reject the trial point according to ρ_k ,

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \begin{cases} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{s}_k & \text{if } \rho_k > 0 \\ \mathbf{x}_k & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

5. Update the trust region size according to ρ_k ,

$$\Delta_{k+1} = \begin{cases} \gamma_1 \Delta_k & \text{if } \rho_k \leq \eta_1 \\ \Delta_k & \text{if } \eta_1 < \rho_k < \eta_2 \\ \gamma_2 \Delta_k & \text{if } \rho_k \geq \eta_2. \end{cases}$$

Trust-Region Demonstration



Trust-region model management: Corrections and convergence

- Provably convergent to local minimum of high-fidelity function if surrogate is first-order accurate at center of trust region [Alexandrov et al., 2001]

- Additive correction: $a(\mathbf{x}) = f_{\text{high}}(\mathbf{x}) - f_{\text{low}}(\mathbf{x})$

with surrogate constructed as

$$m_k(\mathbf{x}) = f_{\text{low}}(\mathbf{x}) + a(\mathbf{x}_k) + \nabla a(\mathbf{x}_k)^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_k)$$

- Multiplicative correction: $\beta(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{f_{\text{high}}(\mathbf{x})}{f_{\text{low}}(\mathbf{x})}$

with surrogate constructed as

$$m_k(\mathbf{x}) = [\beta(\mathbf{x}_k) + \nabla \beta(\mathbf{x}_k)^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_k)] f_{\text{low}}(\mathbf{x})$$

- Only first-order corrections required to guarantee convergence; quasi-second-order corrections accelerate convergence [Eldred et al., 2004]
- Trust-region POD [Arian, Fahl, Sachs, 2000]

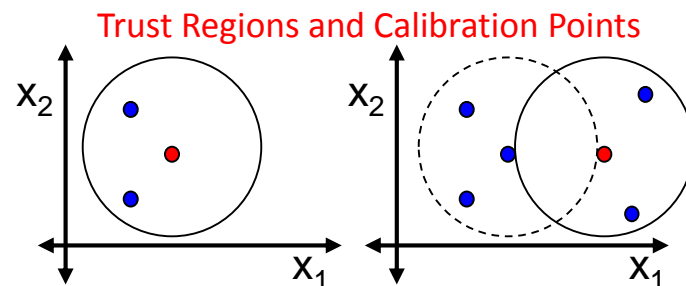
Trust-region model management: Derivative-free framework

- Derivative-free trust region approaches
[Conn, Scheinberg, and Vicente, 2009]
- Provably convergent under appropriate conditions if the surrogate model is “fully linear”

$$\left\| \nabla f_{high}(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla m_k(\mathbf{x}) \right\| \leq \kappa_g \Delta_k$$

$$\left| f_{high}(\mathbf{x}) - m_k(\mathbf{x}) \right| \leq \kappa_f \Delta_k^2$$

- Achieved through adaptive corrections or adaptive calibration e.g., radial basis function calibration with sample points chosen to make surrogate model fully linear by construction
[Wild, Regis and Shoemaker, 2011; Wild and Shoemaker, 2013]
- Key: never need gradients wrt the high-fidelity model



Multifidelity design optimization example: Aircraft wing (with black-box codes)

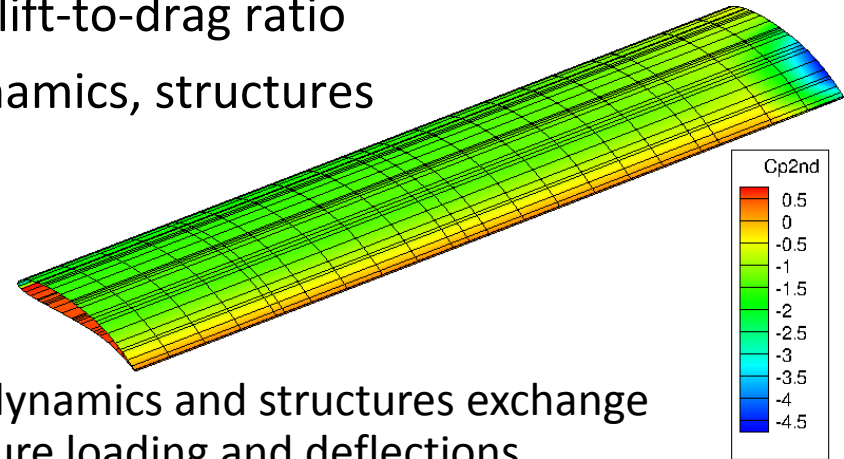
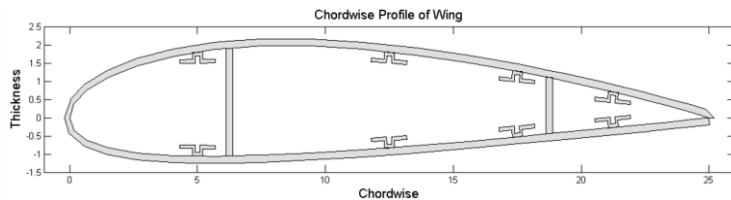
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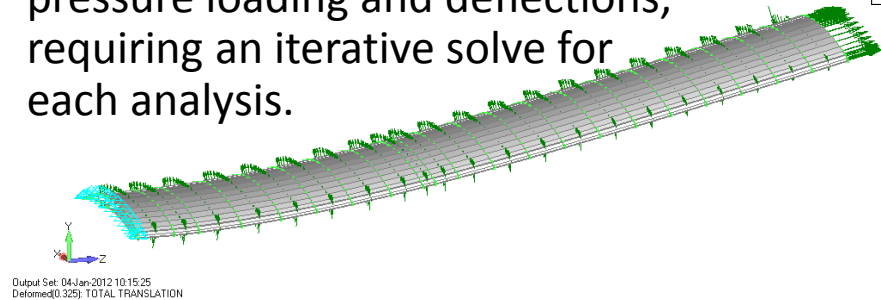
Design variables: wing geometry, structural members

Objectives: weight, lift-to-drag ratio

Disciplines: aerodynamics, structures



Aerodynamics and structures exchange pressure loading and deflections, requiring an iterative solve for each analysis.



Multifidelity models:

Structures: **Nastran** (commercial finite element code; MSC)

Beam model

Aerodynamics: **Panair** (panel code for inviscid flows; NASA)

FRICTION (skin friction and form factors; W. Mason)

AVL (vortex-lattice model; M. Drela)

Kriging surrogate

Multifidelity design optimization example: Aircraft wing

Multifidelity approach:

- Trust region model management
 - Derivative free framework [Conn et al., 2009]
- Adaptive calibration of surrogates
 - Radial basis function calibration to provide fully linear models [Wild et al., 2009]
 - Calibration applied to correction function (difference between high- and low-fidelity models) [Kennedy & O'Hagan, 2001]
- Computational speed-up + robustness to code failures

Low-Fidelity Model	Nastran Evals.	Panair Evals.	Time* (days)
None	7,425	7,425	4.73
AVL/Beam Model	5,412	5,412	3.45
Kriging Surrogate	3,232	3,232	2.06

* Time corresponds to average of 30s per Panair evaluation, 25s per Nastran evaluation, and serial analysis of designs within a discipline.

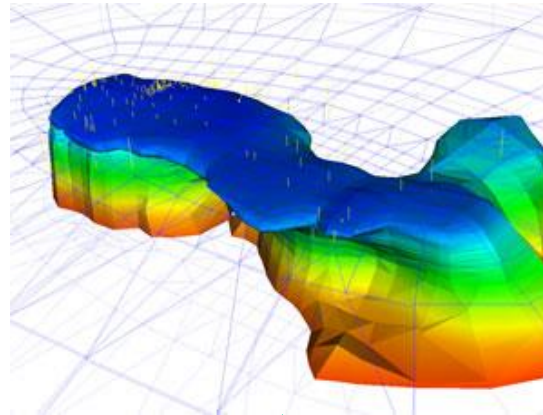
$$\pi(x|d) \sim L(d|x) \pi_0(x)$$

INVERSE PROBLEMS

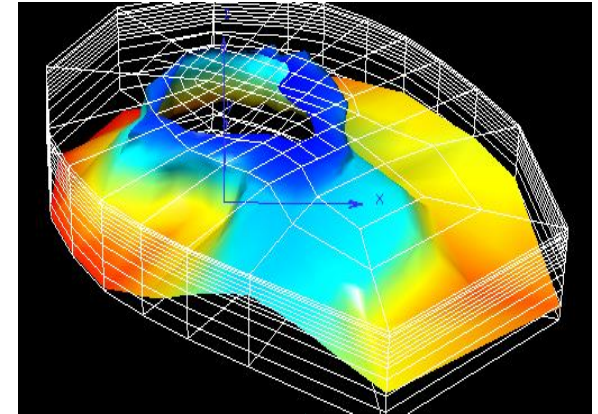
Large-scale statistical inverse problems



Data



State



Parameters

Observation: $d = C(u, e)$

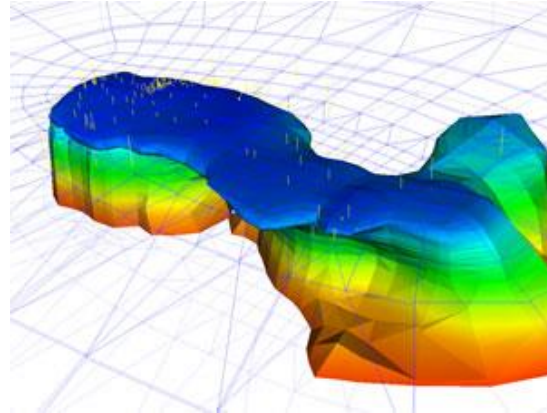
PDE: $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = A(u, x)$

- Data are limited in number, noisy, and indirect
- State-space is high dimensional (PDE model)
- Unknown parameters are high-dimensional

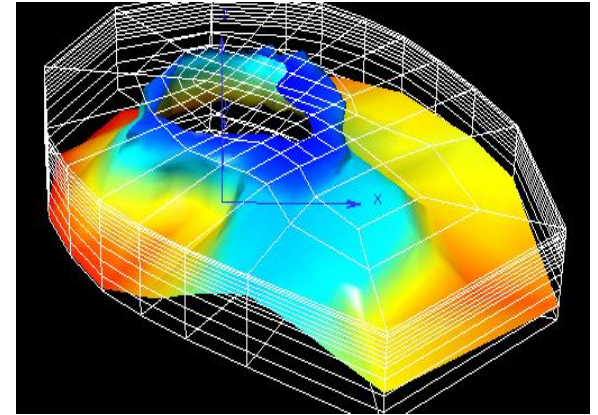
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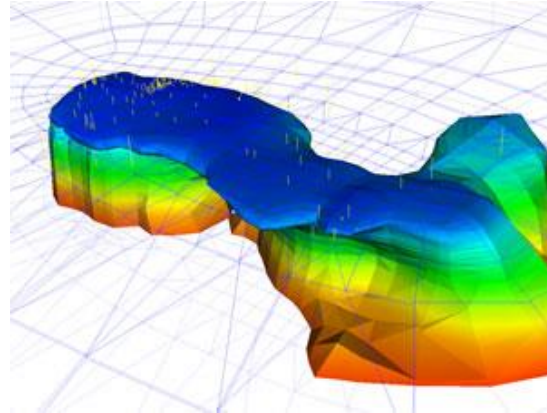
Bayes rule:

$$\underbrace{\pi(x|d)}_{\text{posterior}} \sim \underbrace{L(d|x)}_{\text{likelihood}} \underbrace{\pi_0(x)}_{\text{prior}}$$

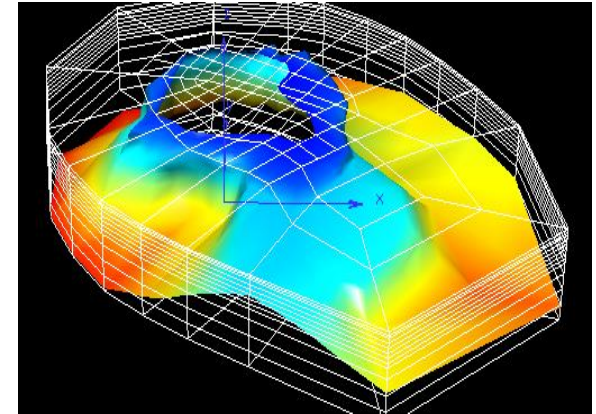
Large-scale statistical inverse problems: Exploiting low-rank structure



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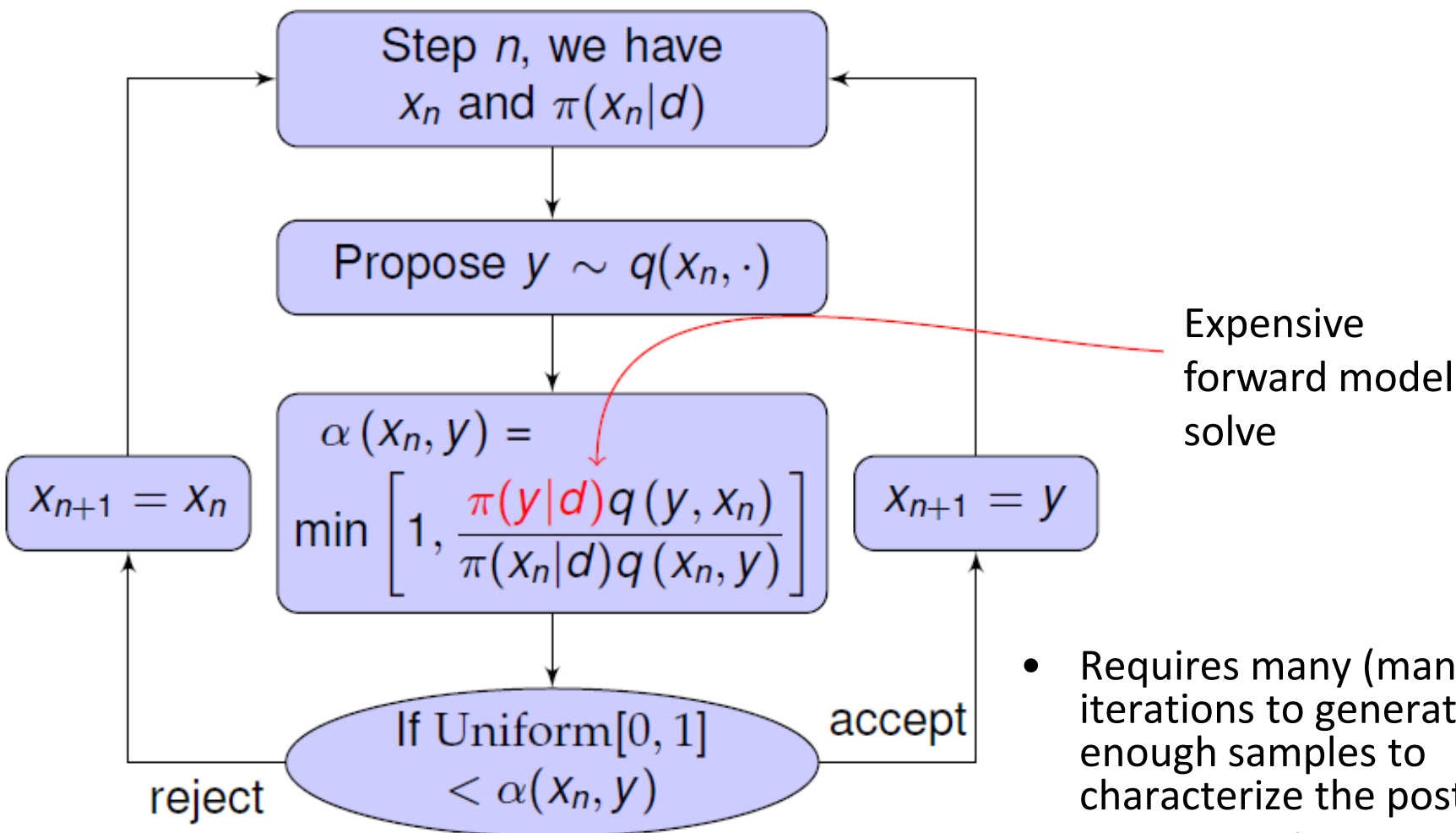
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- Low-rank structure in the state space:
Data-driven model reduction [Cui, Marzouk, W., 2014]
- Low-rank structure in the parameter space:
Efficient posterior exploration (likelihood-induced subspace)
[Lieberman, W., 2010; Cui, Martin, Marzouk, 2014]

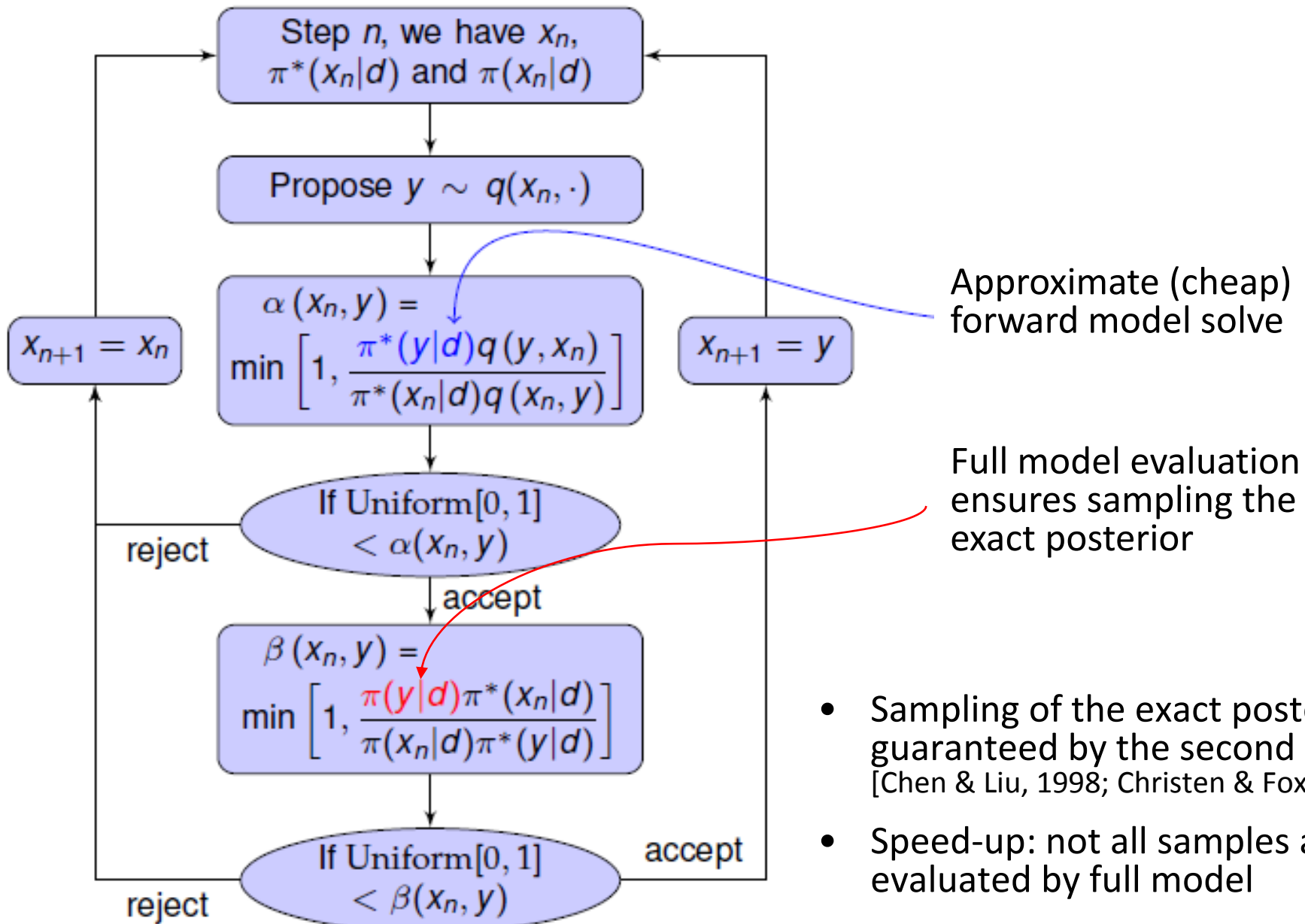
Exploring the posterior: MCMC Sampling

Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) methods: black box but expensive ways to sample the posterior $\pi(x|d)$ [Metropolis et al., 1953; Hastings, 1970]

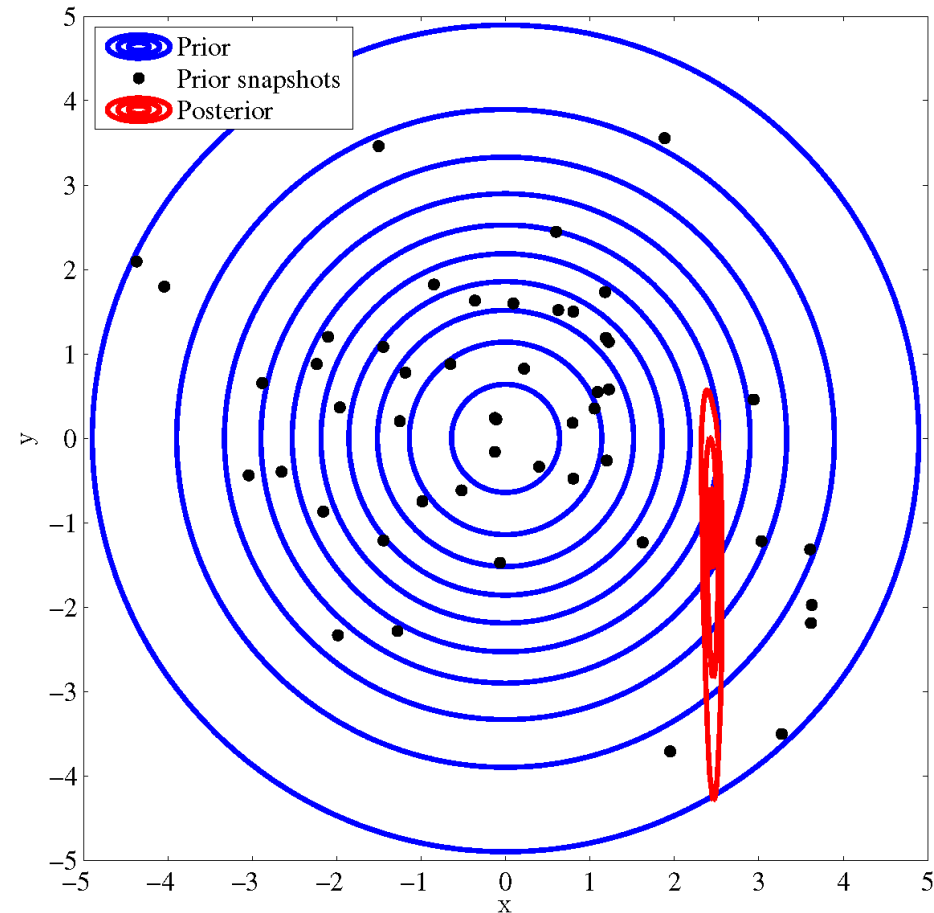


- Requires many (many) iterations to generate enough samples to characterize the posterior
- Many samples are rejected

Multifidelity: Adaptive delayed acceptance MCMC sampling



- Reduced model is evaluated from “snapshots” (solutions at selected parameter values)
- These evaluations are used to construct the reduced basis
- Standard approach: snapshots are selected offline from the prior (e.g., Wang and Zabarar, 2004; Lieberman et al., 2010)
- We propose a data-driven adaptive approach using delayed acceptance:
to provide a formal framework to manage use of the ROM (multifidelity)
and to adaptively select snapshots and update the ROM on the fly



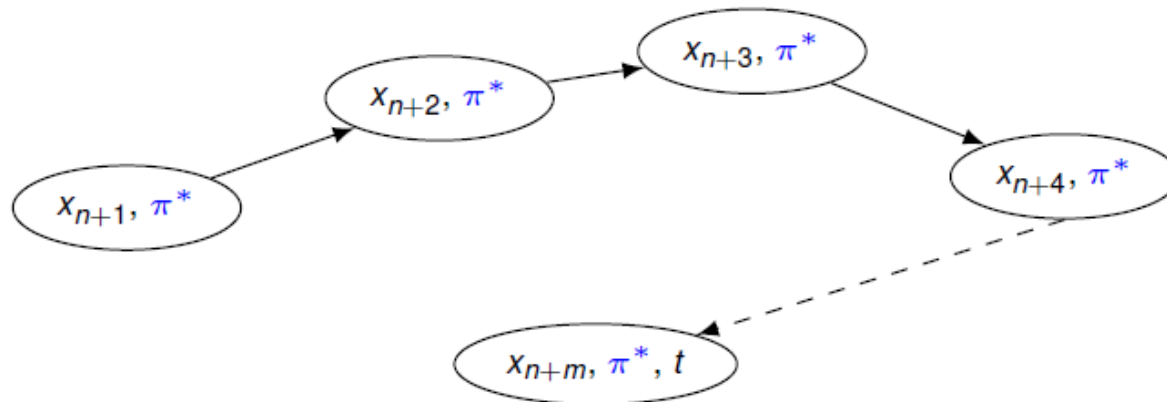
Simultaneous model reduction and posterior exploration

- Suppose we have a reduced model constructed from an initial reduced basis
- Stage 1:
 - At each MCMC iteration, first sample the approximate posterior distribution (π^*) based on the reduced model for m steps using a standard Metropolis-Hasting algorithm
 - Decreases the sample correlation with low computational cost by simulating an approximate Markov chain [Cui, 2010]
- Stage 2:
 - The last state of the Stage 1 Markov chain is the proposal candidate
 - Compute acceptance probability (α) based on full posterior density value (ensures that we sample the exact posterior)
 - After each full posterior density evaluation, the state of the associated forward model evaluation is a potential new snapshot

Simultaneous model reduction and posterior exploration

From x_n , sampling π^* for m iterations

Compute the error $t(x_{n+m})$



If $|t| > \epsilon$, update ROM

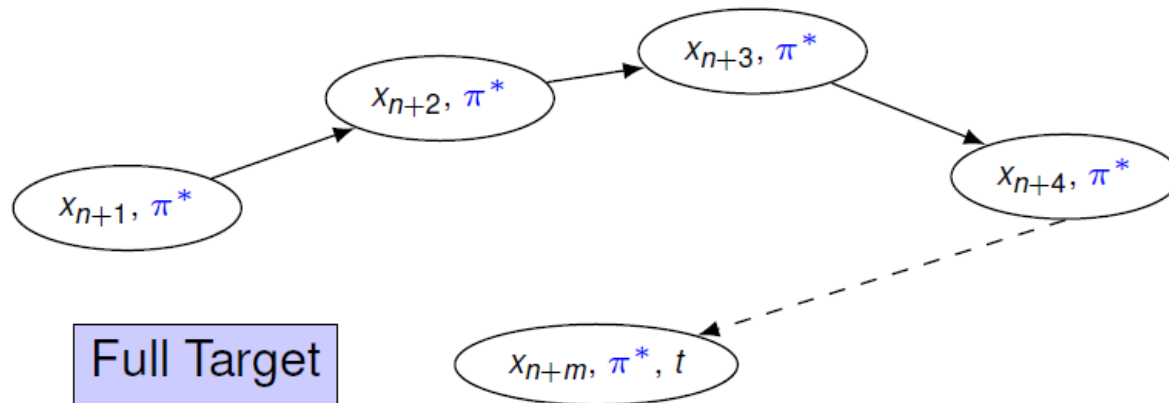
Iterate forward

- Compute the error of the reduced model output estimate at each new posterior sample
- Update the reduced basis with the new snapshot when the error exceeds a threshold ϵ
- The resulting reduced model is data-driven, since it uses the information provided by the observed data (in the form of the posterior distribution) to select samples for computing the snapshots

Simultaneous model reduction and posterior exploration

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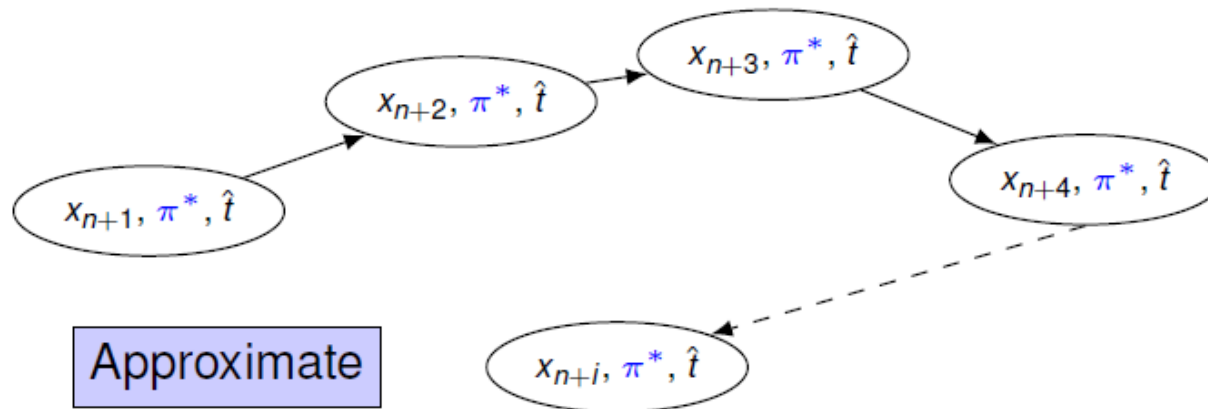
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If $|t| > \epsilon$, update ROM

Iterate forward

- Can also use error estimator (\hat{t}) (e.g., dual weighted residual [Meyer, Matthies 2003]) but then we lose the strong guarantee of sampling the exact posterior



If $|\hat{t}| > \epsilon$, evaluate π , and update ROM

Otherwise, $\pi^* \approx \pi$

Iterate forward

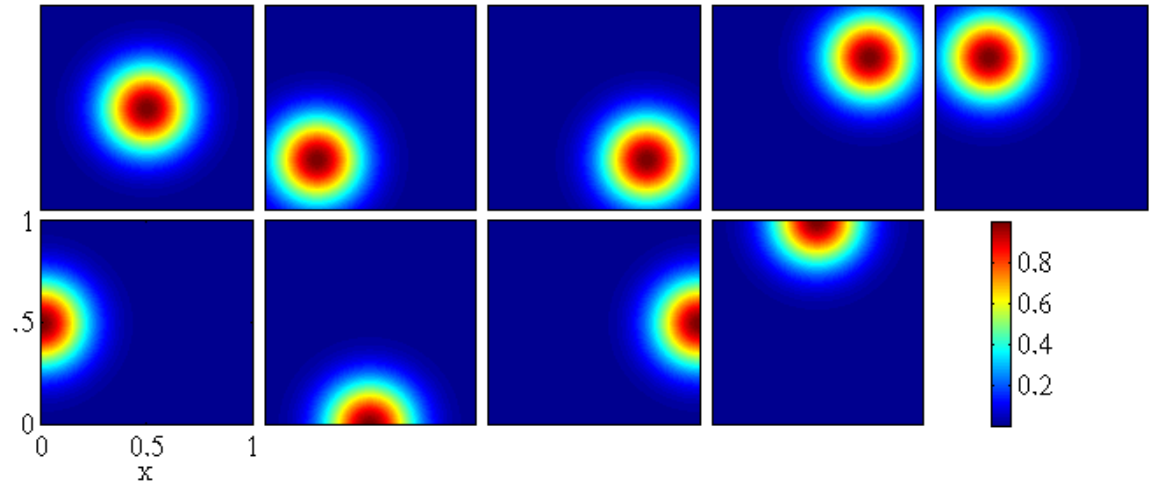
Inverse problem example: 9D test case

$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla \cdot (k(r)\nabla u(r)) &= f(r), \quad r \in D \\ k(r)\nabla u(r) \cdot \vec{n}(r) &= 0, \quad r \in \partial D \end{aligned}$$

In the domain $r \in [0, 1]^2$,
try to infer the diffusivity

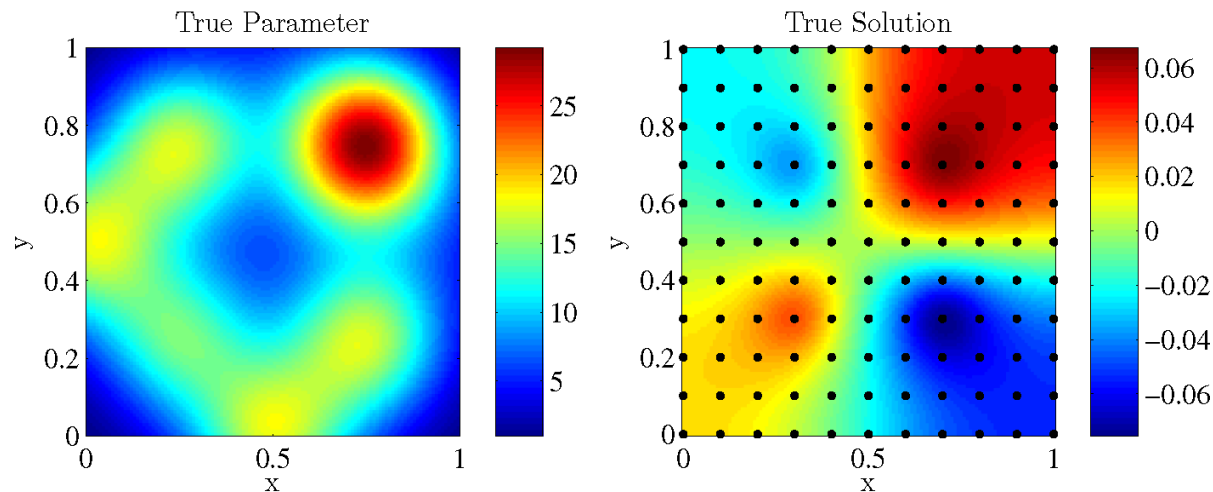
$$k(r) = \sum_{i=1}^9 b_i(r)x_i$$

$$\log(x_i) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_i, \sigma_i^2)$$



121 potential
measurements, signal to
noise ratio 50.

Full model has 120×120
elements.

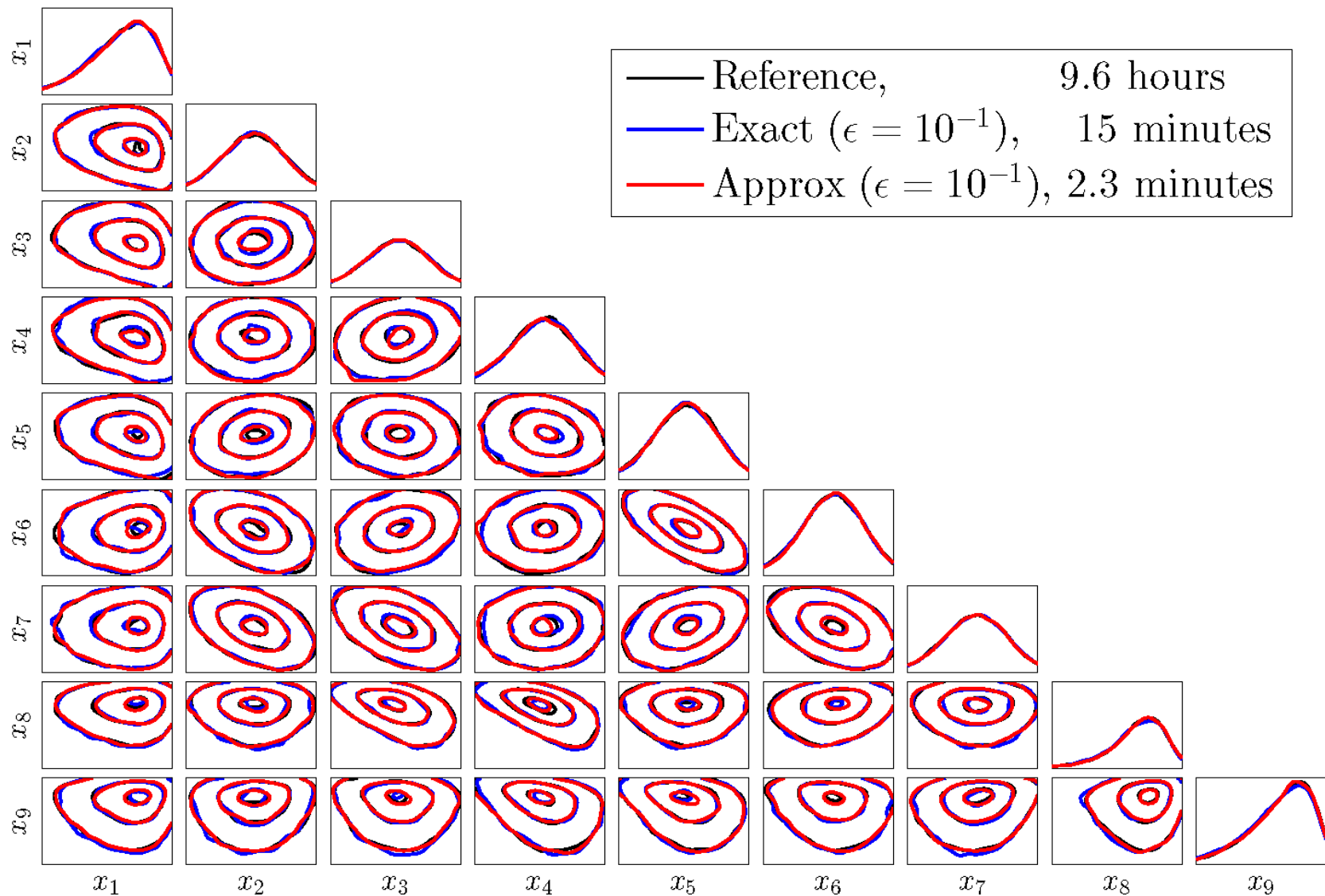


Inverse problem example: Sampling efficiency

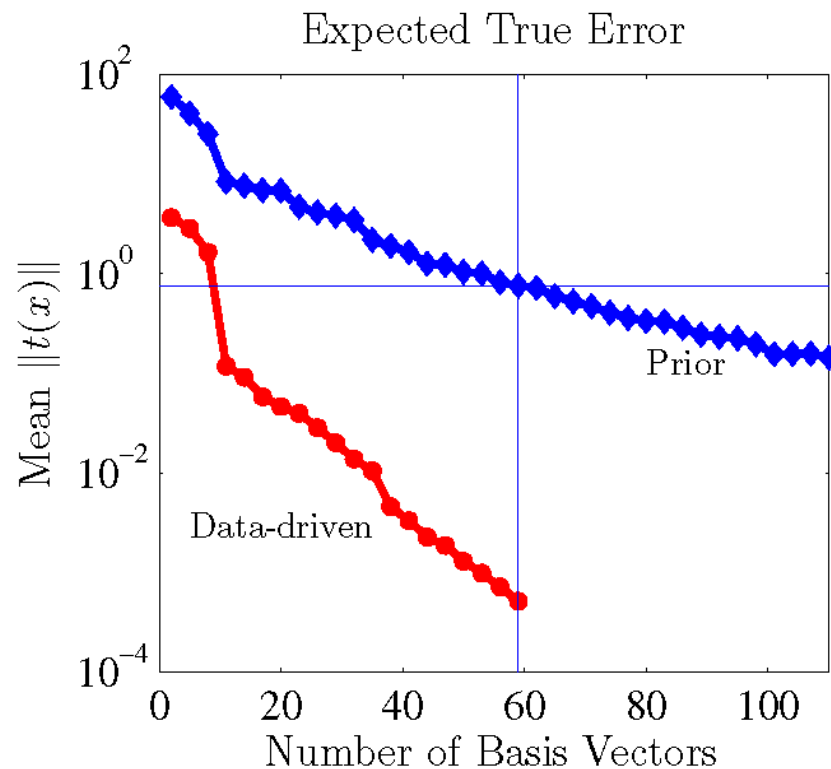
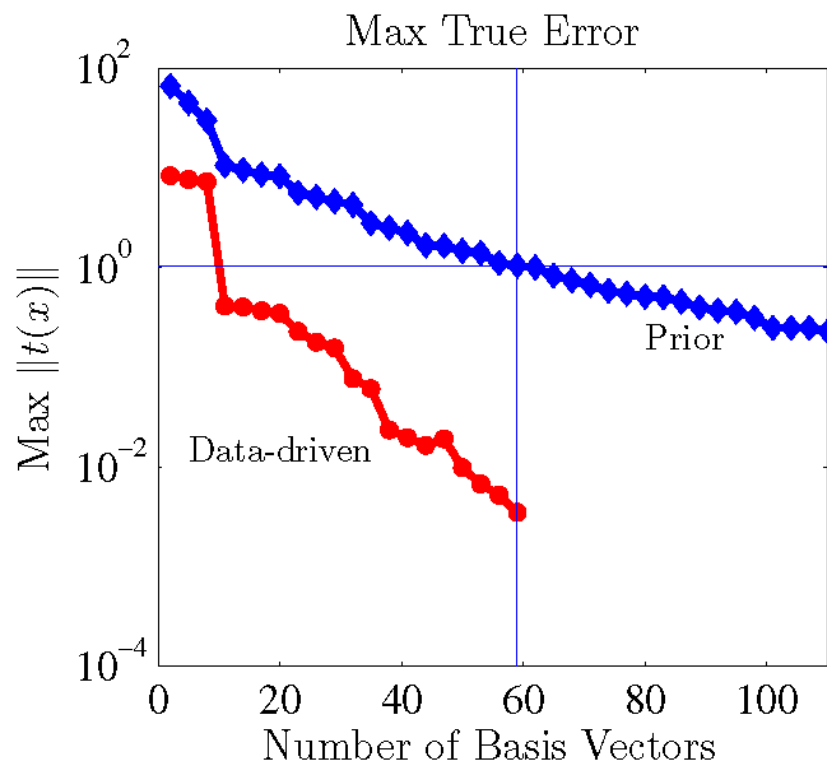
	Reference	Full Target			Approximate		
Error threshold ϵ	-	10^{-1}	10^{-2}	10^{-3}	10^{-1}	10^{-2}	10^{-3}
Basis vectors	-	14	33	57	17	35	57
ESS / CPU time	0.058	2.5	2.7	2.6	15	12	8.9
Speed-up factor	1	43	46	45	256	213	154

- Run both algorithms for 5×10^5 iterations, with $\epsilon = 10^{-1}, 10^{-2}, 10^{-3}$.
- ϵ is normalized by the standard derivation measurement noise.
- A reference MCMC (only based on the full model) is simulated for 5×10^5 iterations.
- Speed-up factor is estimated from CPU time per effective sample.

Inverse problem example: Sampling accuracy

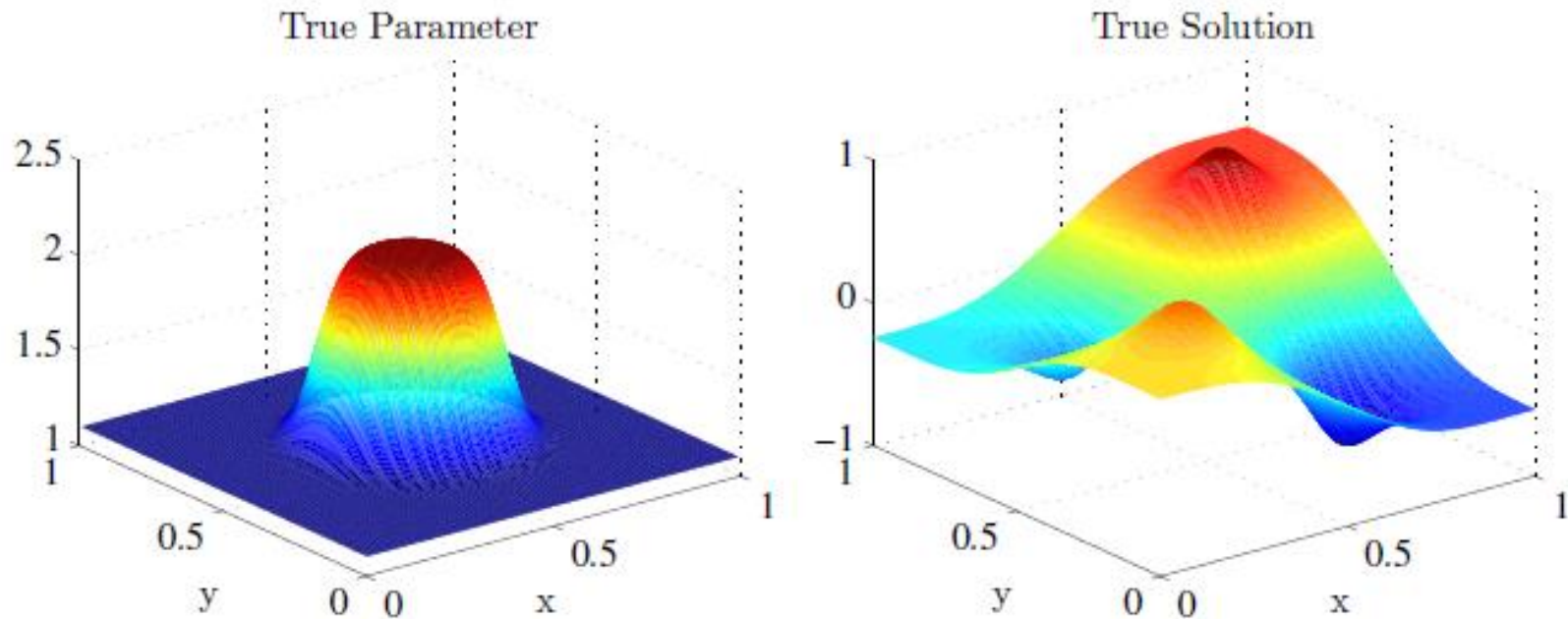


Inverse problem example: Reduced model performance



- For benchmarking, 10^4 snapshots from the prior to construct the ROM.
- The data-driven ROM are built with $\epsilon = 10^{-3}$.
- The true error for both ROMs are calculated on 10^4 posterior samples.
- The true error is normalized by the standard derivation of measurement noise.

Inverse problem example: A high-dimensional case



The diffusivity $k(r) = \exp[x(r)]$ is spatially distributed, has the prior

$$x(r) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \mathcal{C}), \quad \text{corr}(r, s) = \exp \left[- \left(\frac{|r - s|}{L} \right)^2 \right]$$

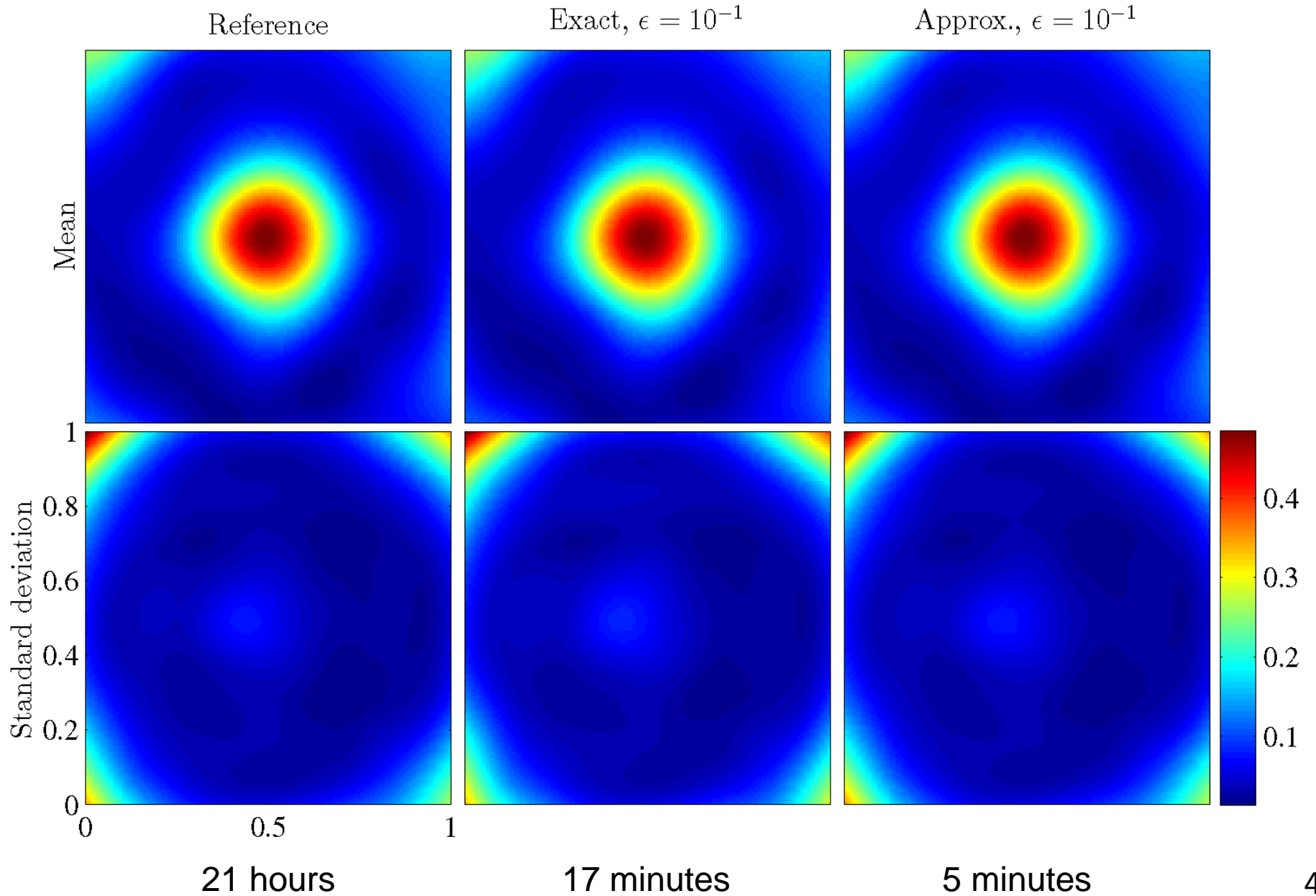
We use $L = 0.25$, and apply Karhunen-Loève expansion to \mathcal{C} . We keep the first 45 modes $\sim 99.99\%$ energy.

Inverse problem example: Sampling efficiency

	Reference	Full Target	Approximate		
Error threshold ϵ	-	10^{-1}	10^{-1}	10^{-2}	10^{-3}
Basis vectors	-	64	62	129	209
ESS / CPU time	0.033	2.2	8.2	3.7	2
Speed-up factor	1	67	249	111	61

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Inverse problem example: Sampling accuracy



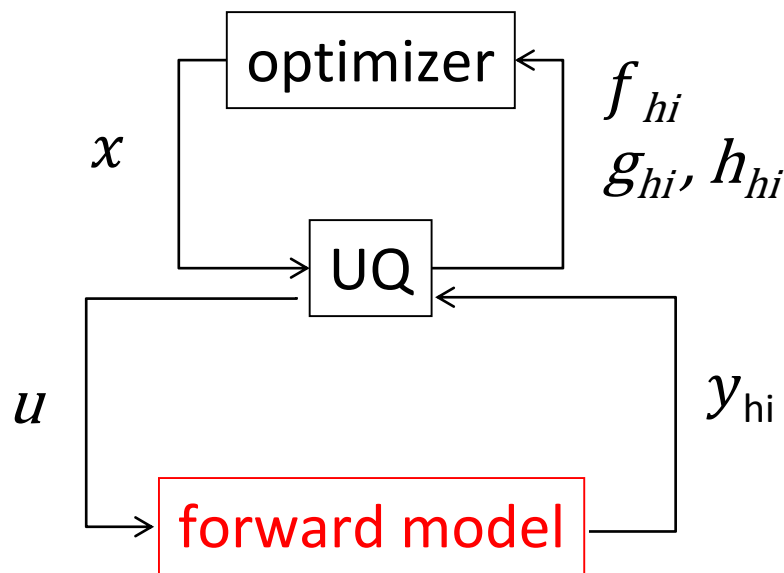
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UNCERTAINTY QUANTIFICATION

The challenge of optimization under uncertainty (OUU)

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Uncertain parameters	u
Model outputs	$y(x, u)$
Statistics of model	$s(x)$



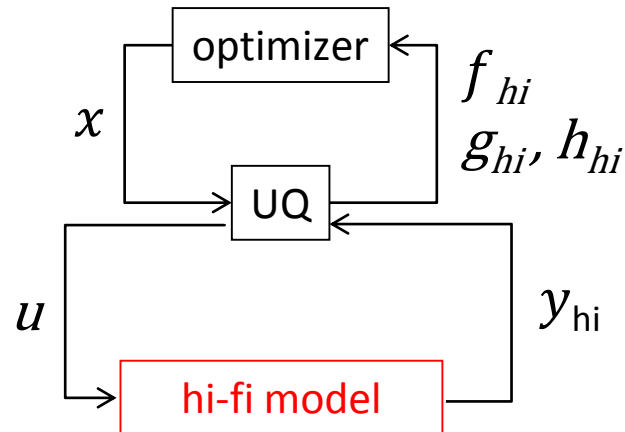
High-fidelity model embedded in a UQ loop in an optimization loop

- Large computational cost
- Need an optimizer that is tolerant to noisy estimates of statistics

Multifidelity optimization under uncertainty

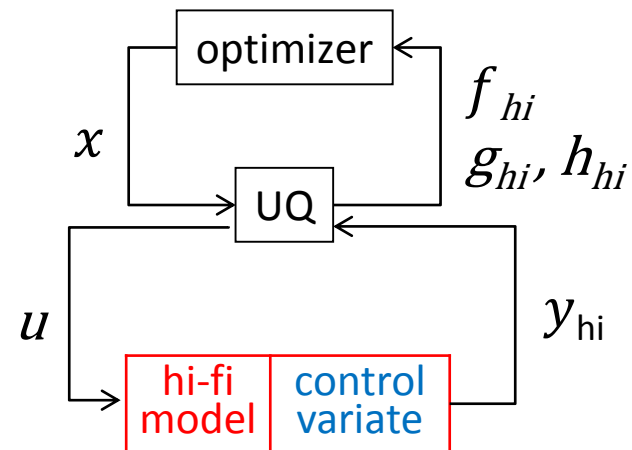
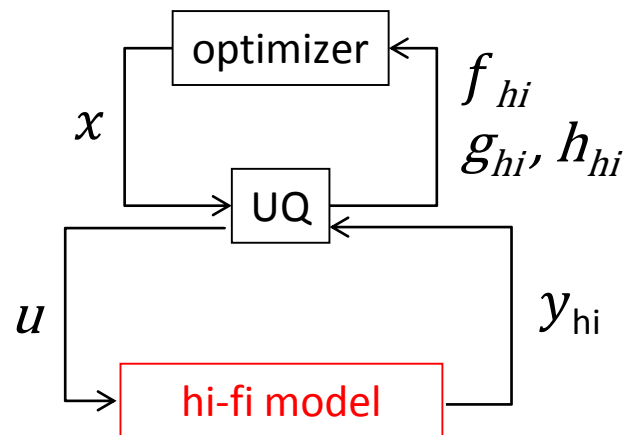
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Control variates: Exploit model correlation

- Estimate correlation between high- and low-fidelity models
- Related to multilevel Monte Carlo (Giles, 2008; Speight, 2009)
- RB models also used with control variates in Boyaval & Lelièvre, 2010

Problem setup

design
variables



random
uncertain
parameters

$u_i =$ samples of U

$a_i = f_{\text{high}}(x, u_i) =$ samples of A

$b_i = f_{\text{low}}(x, u_i) =$ samples of $B = a_i + \text{error}$

$s_A =$ statistics of A (e.g., mean, variance)

$\hat{s}_A =$ estimator of s_A

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x & f(x, s_A(x)) \\ \text{s.t.} & g(x, s_A(x)) \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

approximated by

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x & f(x, \hat{s}_A) \\ \text{s.t.} & g(x, \hat{s}_A(x)) \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Variance reduction with control variate

- Regular MC estimator for $s_A = \mathbb{E}[A]$ using n samples of A :

$$\bar{a}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \quad \text{Var}[\bar{a}_n] = \frac{\sigma_A^2}{n}$$

- Control variate (CV) estimator of s_A :
 - Additional random variable B with known $s_B = \mathbb{E}[B]$

$$\hat{s}_A = \bar{a}_n + \alpha(s_B - \bar{b}_n)$$

$$\text{Var}[\hat{s}_A] = \frac{\sigma_A^2 + \alpha^2 \sigma_B^2 - 2\alpha \rho_{AB} \sigma_A \sigma_B}{n}$$

- Minimize $\text{Var}[\hat{s}_A]$ with respect to α

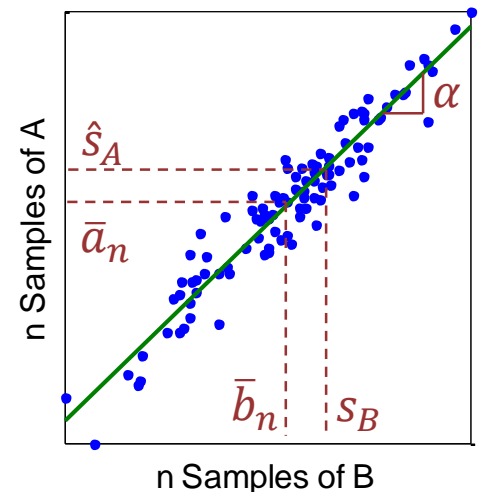
$$\text{Var}[\hat{s}_A^*] = \underbrace{(1 - \rho_{AB}^2)}_{\leq 1} \frac{\sigma_A^2}{n}$$

Definitions:

$$\sigma_A^2 = \text{Var}[A]$$

$$\sigma_B^2 = \text{Var}[B]$$

$$\rho_{AB} = \text{Corr}[A, B]$$



- Multifidelity estimator of s_A based on control variate method:
 - A = random output of high-fidelity model
 - B = random output of low-fidelity model (s_B unknown)

$$\hat{s}_{A,p} = \bar{a}_n + \alpha(\bar{b}_m - \bar{b}_n) \quad \text{with} \quad m \gg n$$

$$\text{Var}[\hat{s}_{A,p}] = \frac{\sigma_A^2 + \alpha^2 \sigma_B^2 - 2\alpha \rho_{AB} \sigma_A \sigma_B}{n} - \frac{\alpha^2 \sigma_B^2 - 2\alpha \rho_{AB} \sigma_A \sigma_B}{m}$$

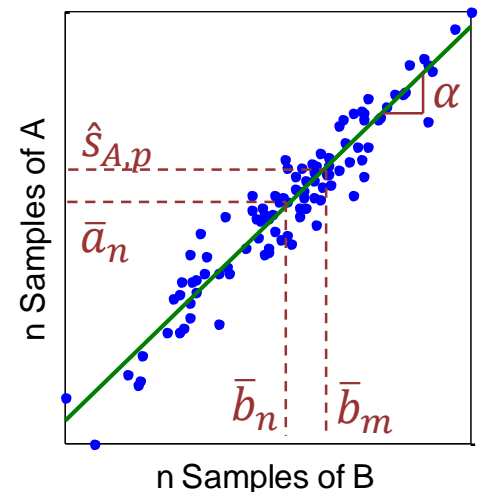
- Using difference $(\bar{b}_m - \bar{b}_n)$ as correction to \bar{a}_n
- Leveraging correlation between A and B
 - Correlation captured in α

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Computational budget allocation

- Define computational effort p as **equivalent** # of high-fidelity model evaluations

$$p = n + \frac{m}{w} = n \left(1 + \frac{r}{w} \right) \quad \text{where} \quad r = \frac{m}{n} \quad \text{and} \quad w = \frac{\text{high-fidelity evaluation time}}{\text{low-fidelity evaluation time}}$$

- For fixed p , minimize $\text{Var}[\hat{S}_{A,p}]$ with respect to α and r

$$\alpha^* = \rho_{AB} \frac{\sigma_A}{\sigma_B} \quad r^* = \sqrt{\frac{w \rho_{AB}^2}{1 - \rho_{AB}^2}} \quad \text{Var}[\hat{S}_{A,p}^*] = \left[1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{r^*} \right) \rho_{AB}^2 \right] \left(1 + \frac{r^*}{w} \right) \frac{\sigma_A^2}{p}$$

- Limiting cases:

- (i) Low-fidelity model “free”: as $w \rightarrow \infty$, then $\text{Var}[\hat{S}_{A,p}^*] \rightarrow (1 - \rho_{AB}^2) \frac{\sigma_A^2}{p}$
- (ii) Low-fidelity model “perfect”: as $\rho_{AB} \rightarrow 1$, then $\text{Var}[\hat{S}_{A,p}^*] \rightarrow \frac{1}{w} \frac{\sigma_A^2}{p}$

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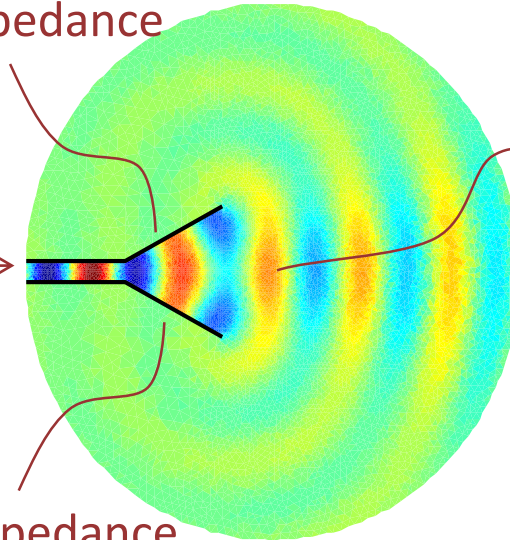
Acoustic horn example

- Helmholtz equation for propagation of acoustic waves through 2-D horn
 - High-fidelity model: Finite element model (FEM) with 35,895 states
 - Low-fidelity model I: Reduced basis model (RBM) with $N = 25$ states
 - Low-fidelity model II: Reduced basis model (RBM) with $N = 30$ states
 - Ratio of evaluation cost $w = 40$

Input: upper horn wall impedance
 $Z_u \sim \text{normal}$

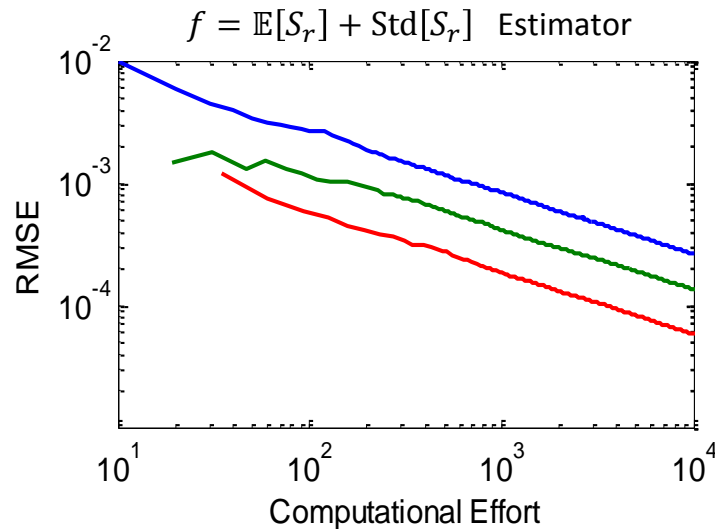
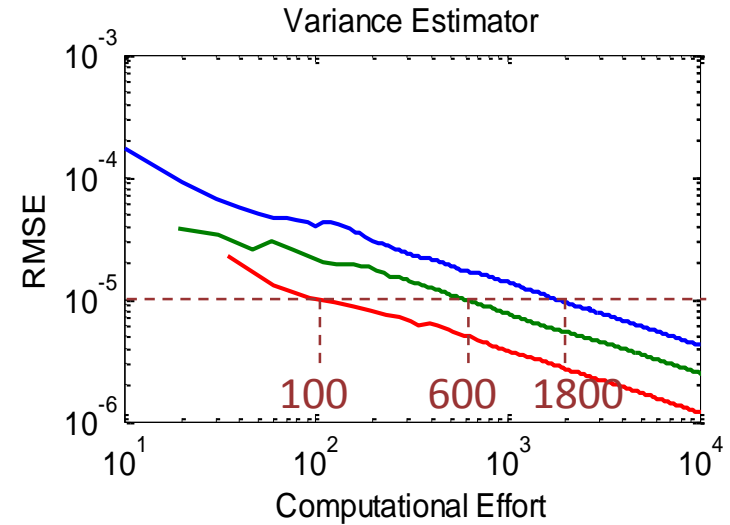
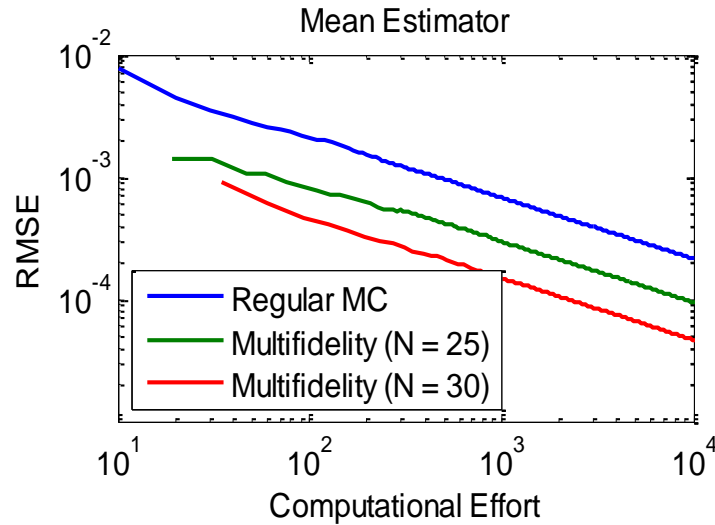
Input: wave number
 $K \sim \text{uniform}$

Input: lower horn wall impedance
 $Z_l \sim \text{normal}$



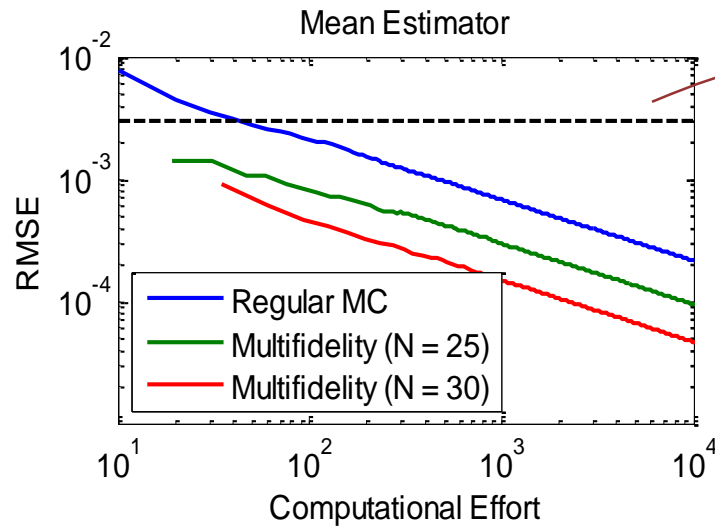
Output: reflection coefficient, S_r

Acoustic horn example – uncertainty propagation



- $w = 40$ in both cases
- Correlation between FEM and
 - RBM (N = 25) ≈ 0.928
 - RBM (N = 30) ≈ 0.996
- Increasing correlation increases efficiency of multifidelity estimator

Acoustic horn example – uncertainty propagation



Bias of reduced basis model
(N = 30) with respect to FEM

- Apply regular MC simulation directly to reduced basis model?
 - Bias of the low-fidelity model cannot be reduced regardless of # of samples used
 - Multifidelity MC simulation can achieve arbitrarily small error tolerance
- “Good” low-fidelity model based on correlation, not difference in outputs

Acoustic horn example – robust optimization

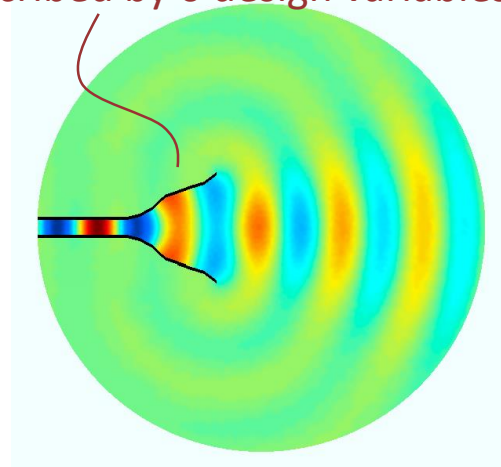
Decision variables: horn geometry, b

Uncertainty: wavenumber, wall impedances

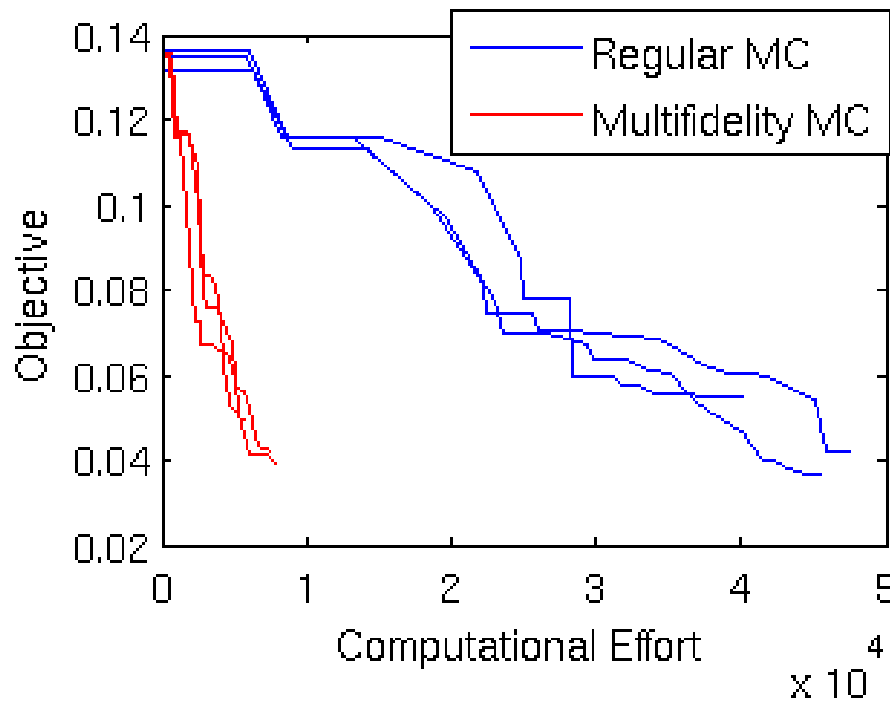
Output of interest: reflection coefficient, s_r

$$\min_b \mathbb{E}[s_r] + \sqrt{\text{Var}[s_r]}$$

Robust optimal horn flare shape described by 6 design variables



	Equivalent number of hi-fi evaluations
Regular MC	44,343
Multifidelity MC	6,979 (-84%)



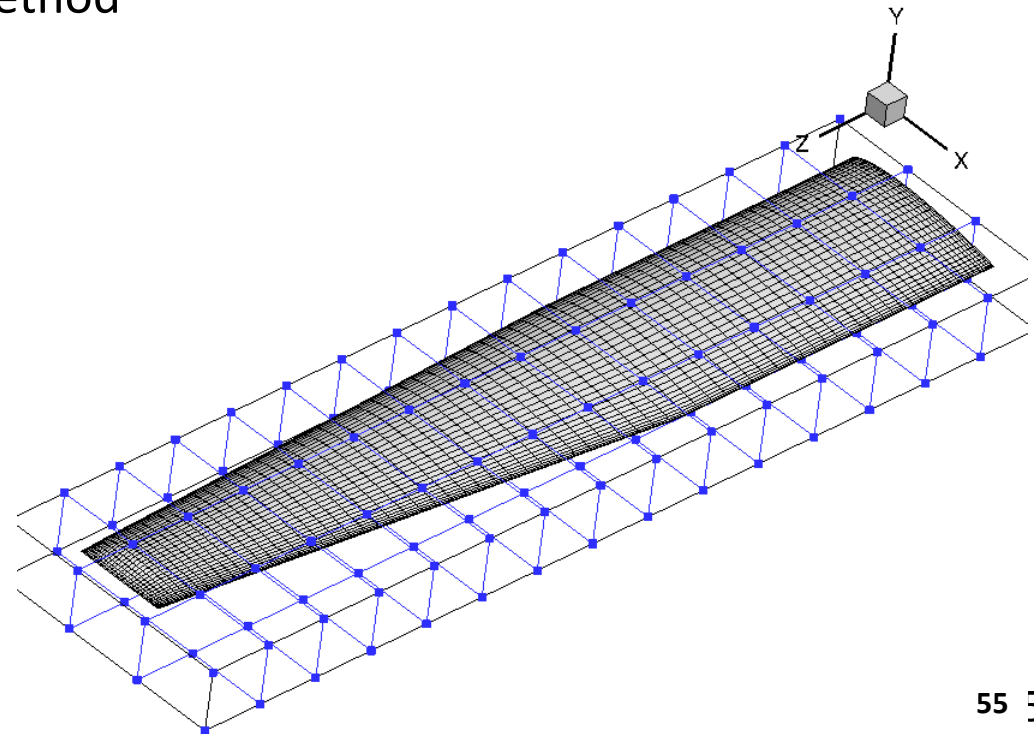
Optimization algorithm:

Implicit filtering [Kelley, 2011]

Example: High-fidelity wing optimization

- Shape optimization of (roughly) Bombardier Q400 wing
 - Free-form deformation geometry control [Kenway et al. 2010]
- Coupled aerostructural solver [Kennedy and Martins 2010]
 - Aerodynamics: TriPan panel method
 - Structures: Toolkit for the Analysis of Composite Structures (TACS) finite element method

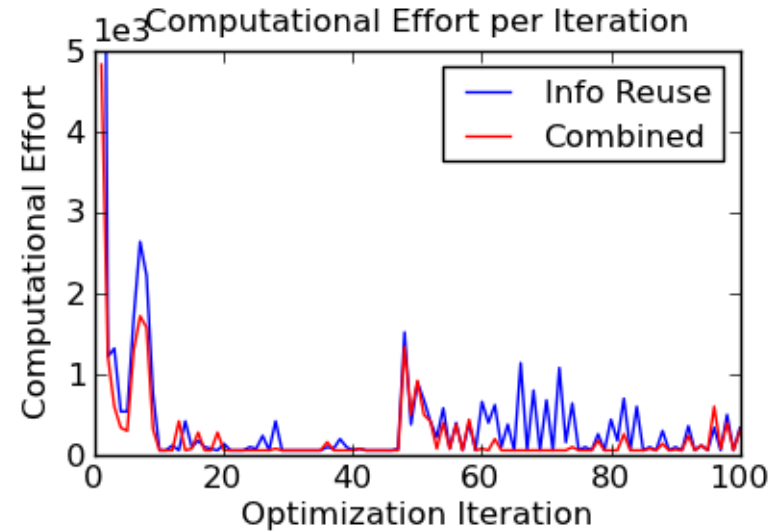
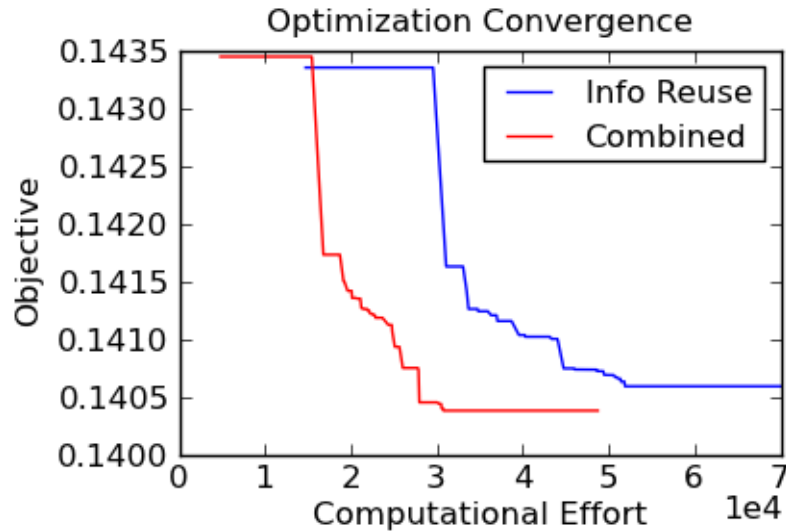
	Coarse	Fine
Aerodynamic Panels	1000	2960
Structural d.o.f.	5624	14,288
Eval time	6 s	24 s



High-fidelity wing optimization

- 46 design variables:
 - 8 wing twist angles, 19 forward spar thicknesses, 19 aft spar thicknesses
- 7 random inputs:
 - Take-off weight, Mach number, material properties (density, elastic modulus, Poisson ratio, yield stress), wing weight fraction
- Objective = drag (formulated as mean + 2 std)
- 4 nonlinear stress constraints (formulated as mean + 2 std ≤ 0)
- 36 linear geometry constraints (deterministic)
- Optimization loop: COBYLA constrained derivative-free solver [Powell 1994]
- Simulation loop: Fixed RMSE for estimators specified, number of samples allowed to vary

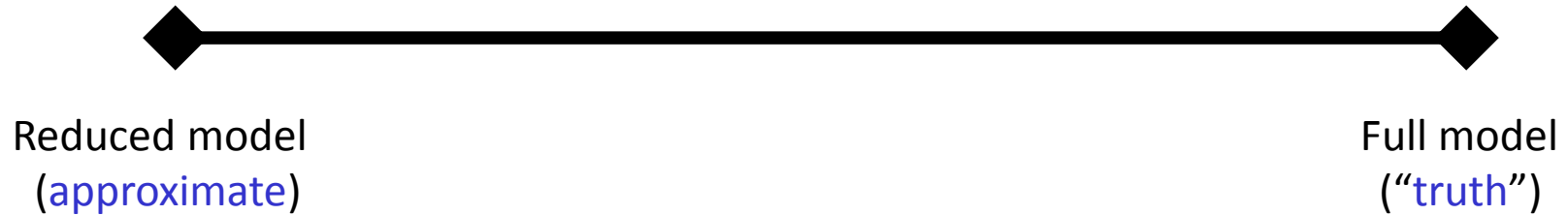
High-fidelity wing optimization



- Solved on 16-processor desktop machine
- Combined estimator enable OUU solution in reasonable turnaround time
- Regular Monte Carlo estimator would take about 3.2 months

	Computational Effort	Total Time (days)
Regular MC	--	--
Info Reuse	7×10^4	13.4
Combined	5×10^4	9.7

Summary



Certified?

no

- Use a multifidelity formulation that invokes both the reduced model and the full model
- Trade computational cost for the ability to place guarantees on the solution of {opt, UQ, inverse}
- **Certify the solution of {opt, UQ, inverse}** even in the absence of guarantees on the reduced model itself

“All models are wrong, but some are useful.”

George Box, 1979

- A formal framework for multifidelity modeling can
 - help us understand when our (reduced) models are useful
 - provide a responsible way to use our wrong-but-useful models for optimization, inversion, and uncertainty quantification
- Towards a richer definition of fidelity:
 - In almost all existing multifidelity methods, “fidelity” = a linear ranking of models, with some “high-fidelity” model denoted as “truth”
 - In practice, the relationship between models and reality—and among different sources of information—is much richer than just a ranking
 - Models and/or experiments they tell us different things about the design problem, with the collective information they provide being greater than the individual parts