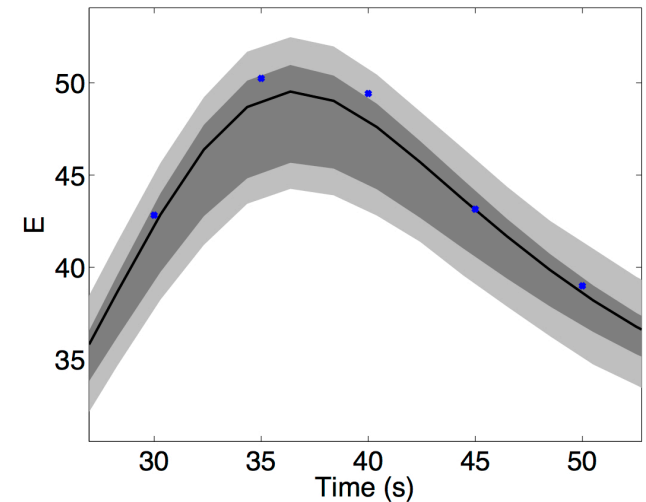
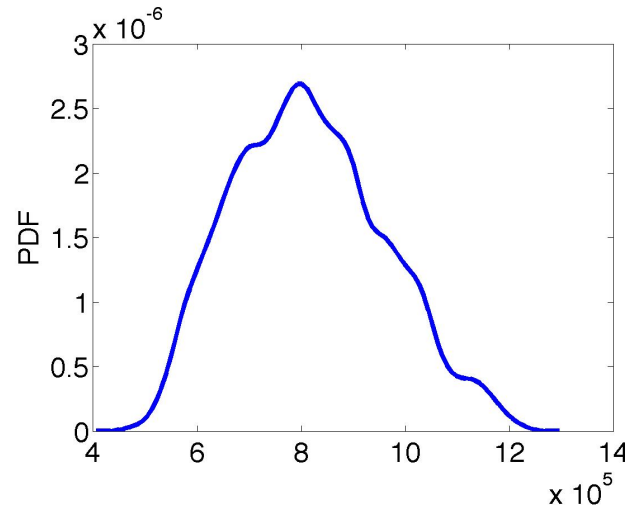
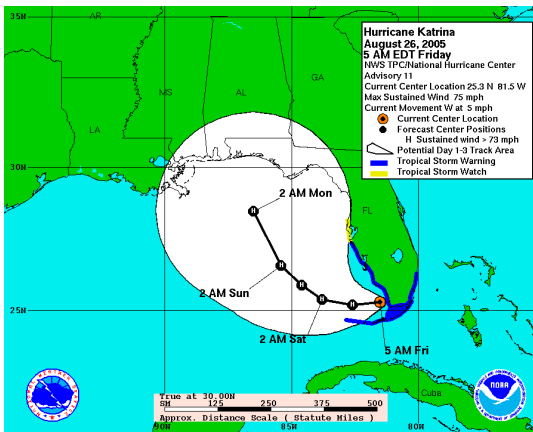


# Uncertainty Quantification

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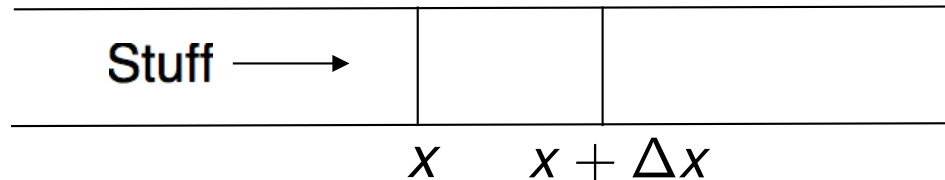
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5. Sensitivity analysis and active subspaces
6. Surrogate model construction
7. Model discrepancy

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# Modeling Strategy

**General Strategy:** Conservation of stuff

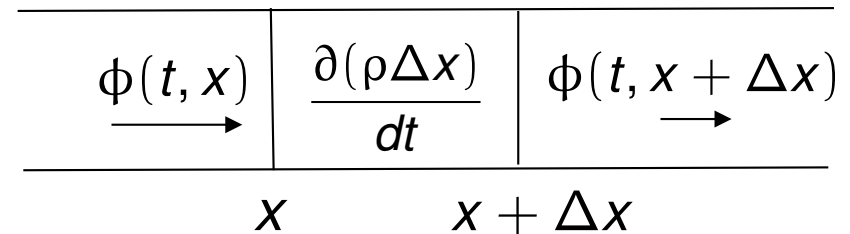


$$\frac{d\text{Stuff}}{dt} = \text{Stuff in} - \text{Stuff out} + \text{Stuff created} - \text{Stuff destroyed}$$

**Continuity Equation:**

$$\frac{\partial(\rho\Delta x)}{\partial t} = \phi(t, x) - \phi(t, x + \Delta x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\phi(t, x) - \phi(t, x + \Delta x)}{\Delta x}$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = 0$$

**Density:**  $\rho(t, x)$  - Stuff per unit length or volume

**Rate of Flow:**  $\phi(t, x)$  - Stuff per second

**More Generally:**

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = \text{Sources} - \text{Sinks}$$

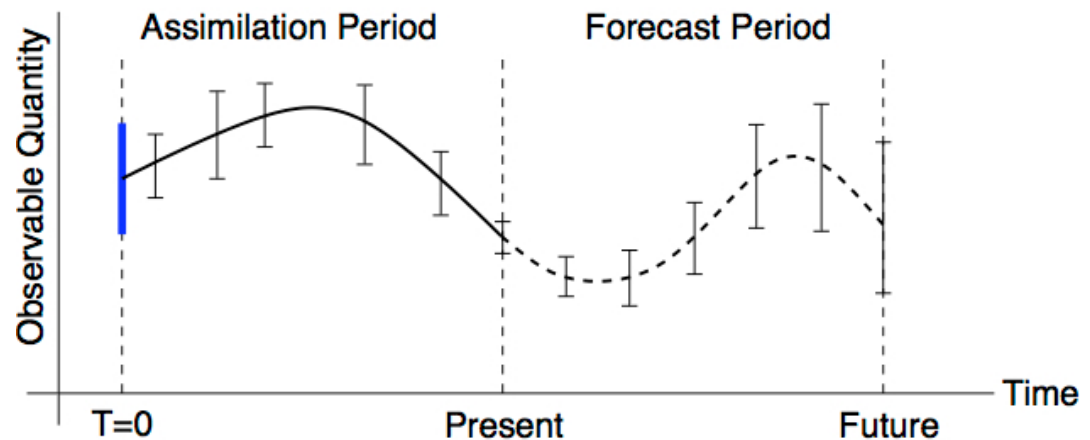
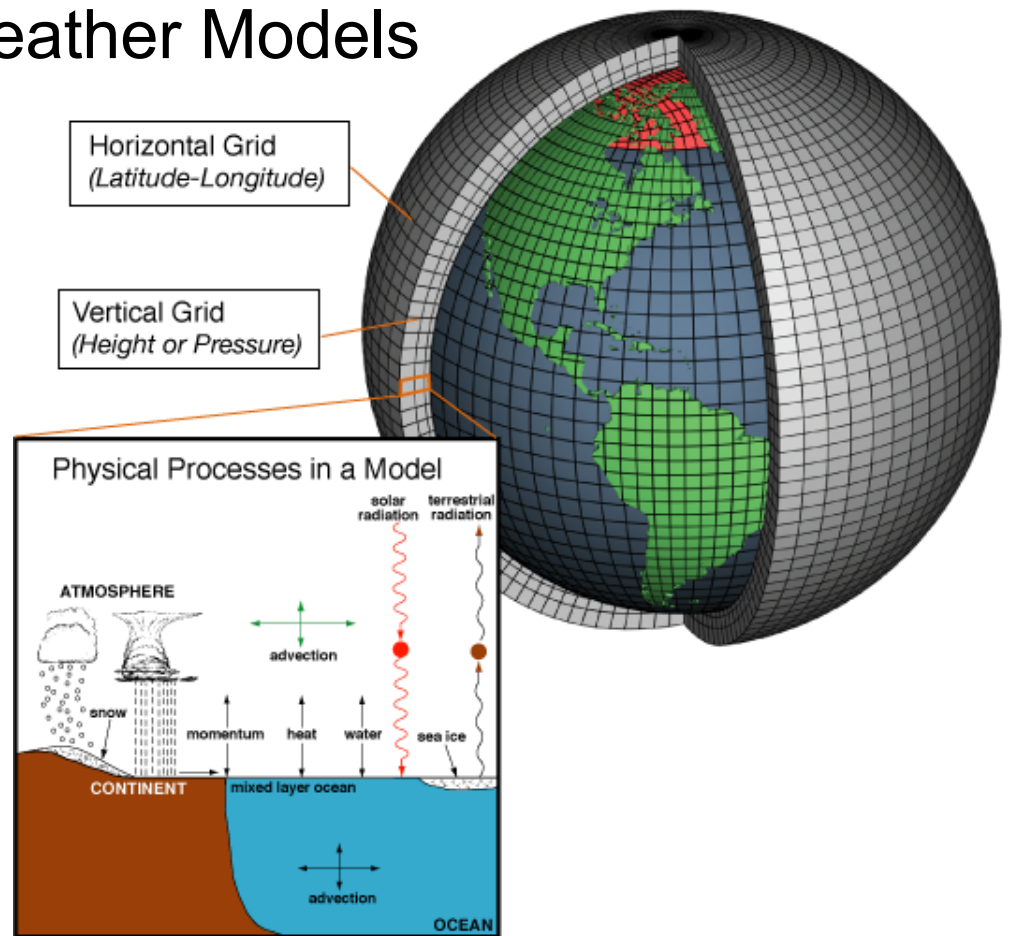
# Example 1: Weather Models

## Challenges:

- Coupling between temperature, pressure gradients, precipitation, aerosol, etc.;
- Models and inputs contain uncertainties;
- Numerical grids necessarily larger than many phenomena; e.g., clouds
- Sensors positions may be uncertain; e.g., weather balloons, ocean buoys.

## Goal:

- Assimilate data to quantify uncertain initial conditions and parameters;
- Make predictions with quantified uncertainties.





# Equations of Atmospheric Physics

## Conservation Relations:

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = \text{Sources} - \text{Sinks}$$

Mass  $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v}) = 0$

Momentum  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} = -\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v} - \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p - g \hat{k} - 2\Omega \times \mathbf{v}$

Energy  $\rho c_v \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \rho \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} + \nabla \cdot (k \nabla T) + \rho \dot{q}(T, p, \rho)$

$$p = \rho R T$$

Water  $\frac{\partial m_j}{\partial t} = -\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla m_j + S_{m_j}(T, m_j, \chi_j, \rho), j = 1, 2, 3,$

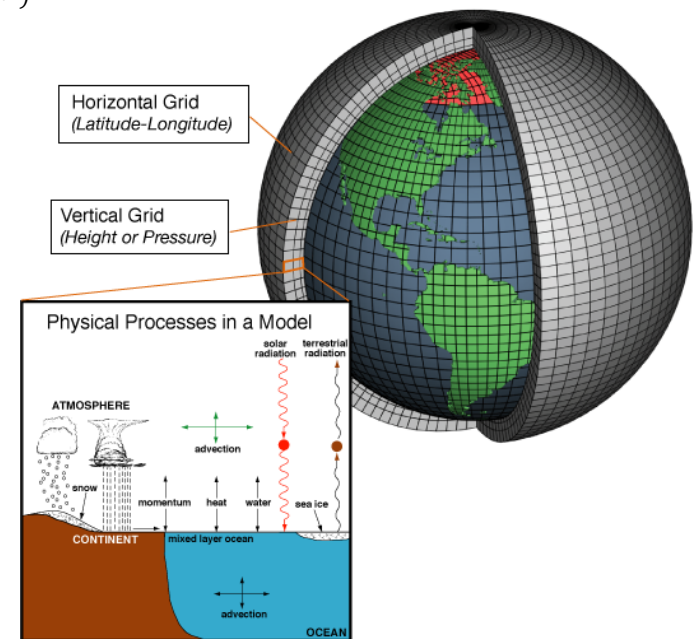
Aerosol  $\frac{\partial \chi_j}{\partial t} = -\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \chi_j + S_{\chi_j}(T, \chi_j, \rho), j = 1, \dots, J,$

## Constitutive Closure Relations: e.g.,

$$S_{m_2} = S_1 + S_2 + S_3 - S_4$$

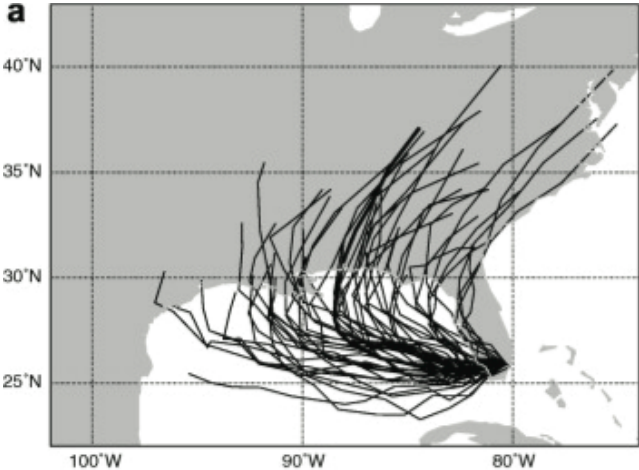
where

$$S_1 = \bar{\rho} (m_2 - m_2^*)^2 \left[ \underline{1.2 \times 10^{-4}} + \left( \underline{1.569 \times 10^{-12}} \frac{n_r}{d_0 (m_2 - m_2^*)} \right) \right]^{-1}$$

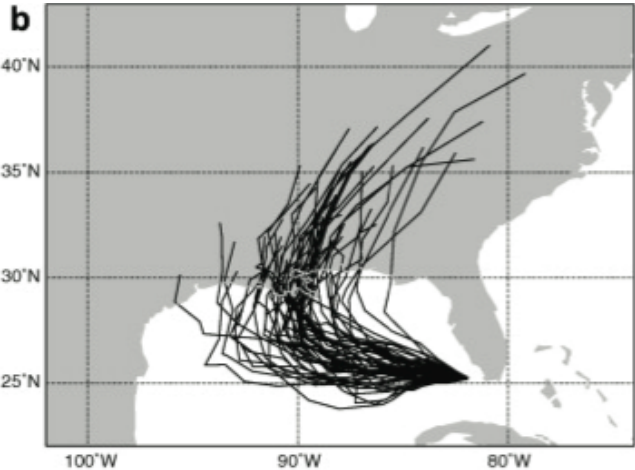


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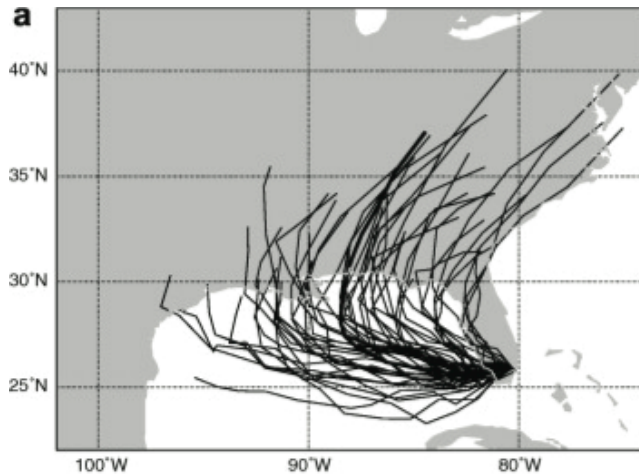
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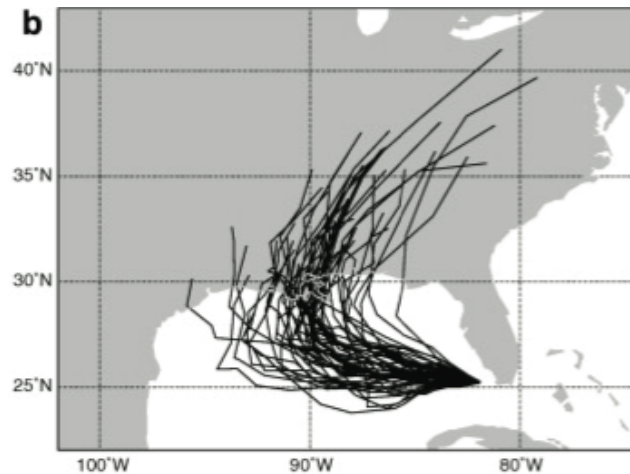


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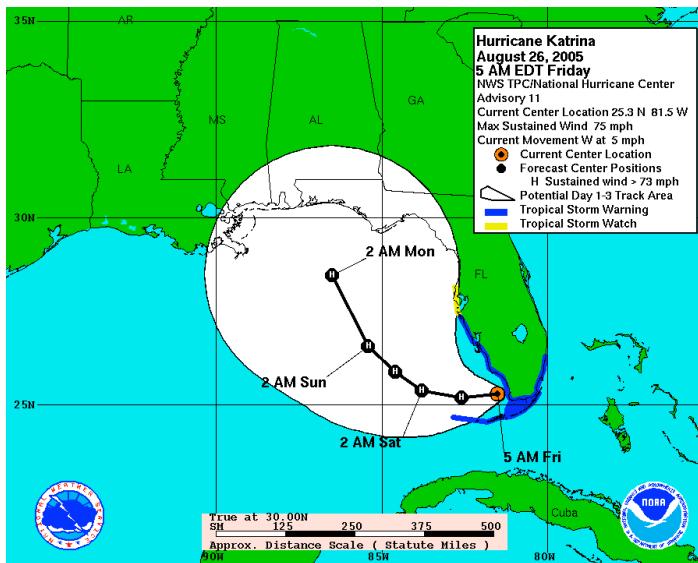


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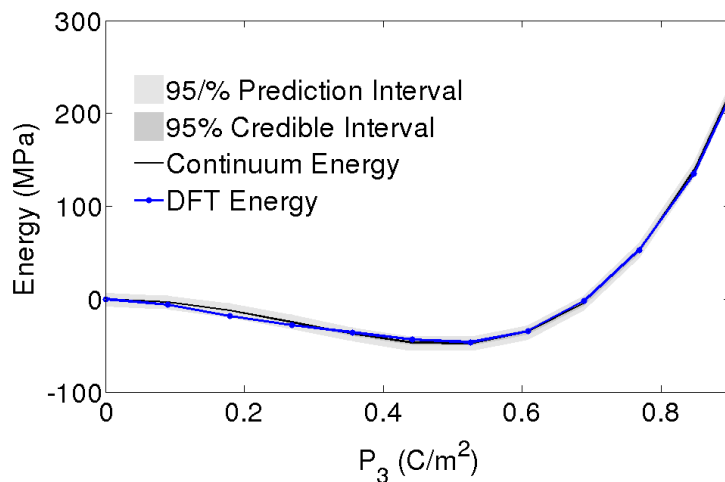
- What is expected rainfall on March 20?
- What are high and low temperatures?
- What is predicted average snow fall?
- **Note: Quantities are statistical in nature.**

# Example 2: Quantum-Informed Continuum Models

## Objectives:

- Employ density function theory (DFT) to construct/calibrate continuum energy relations.
  - e.g., Helmholtz energy

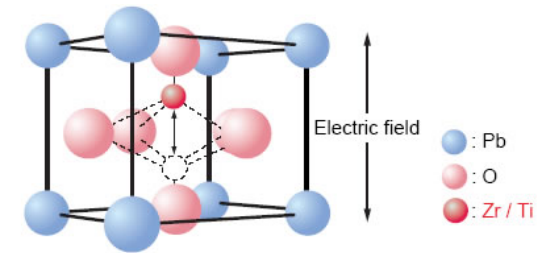
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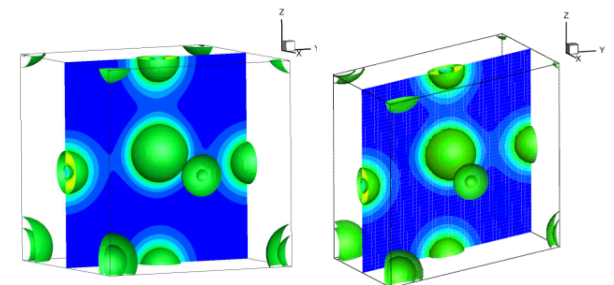
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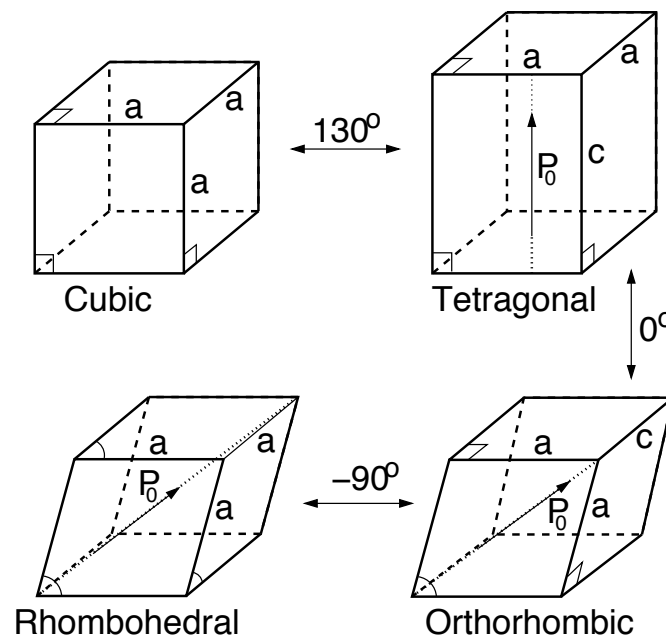
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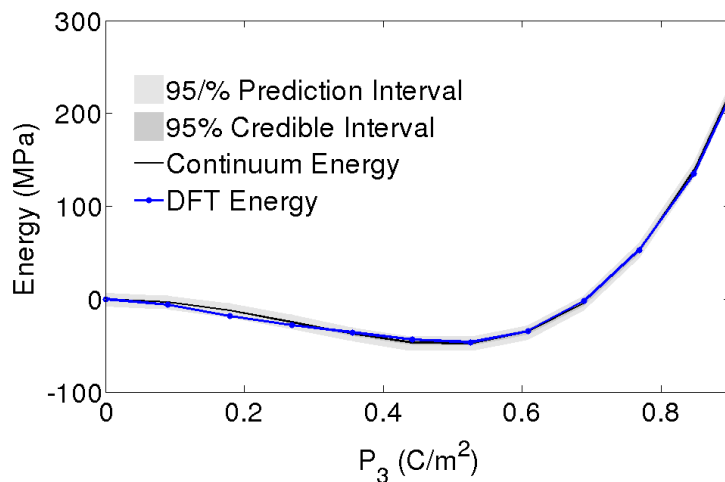


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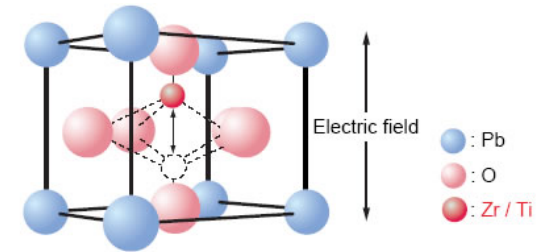
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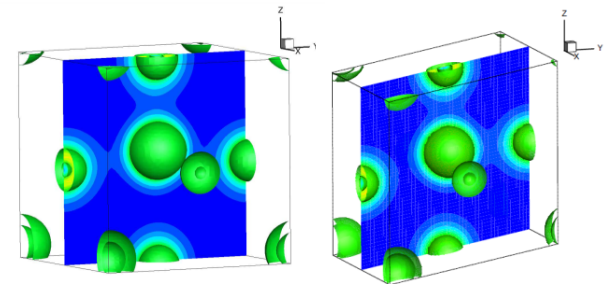
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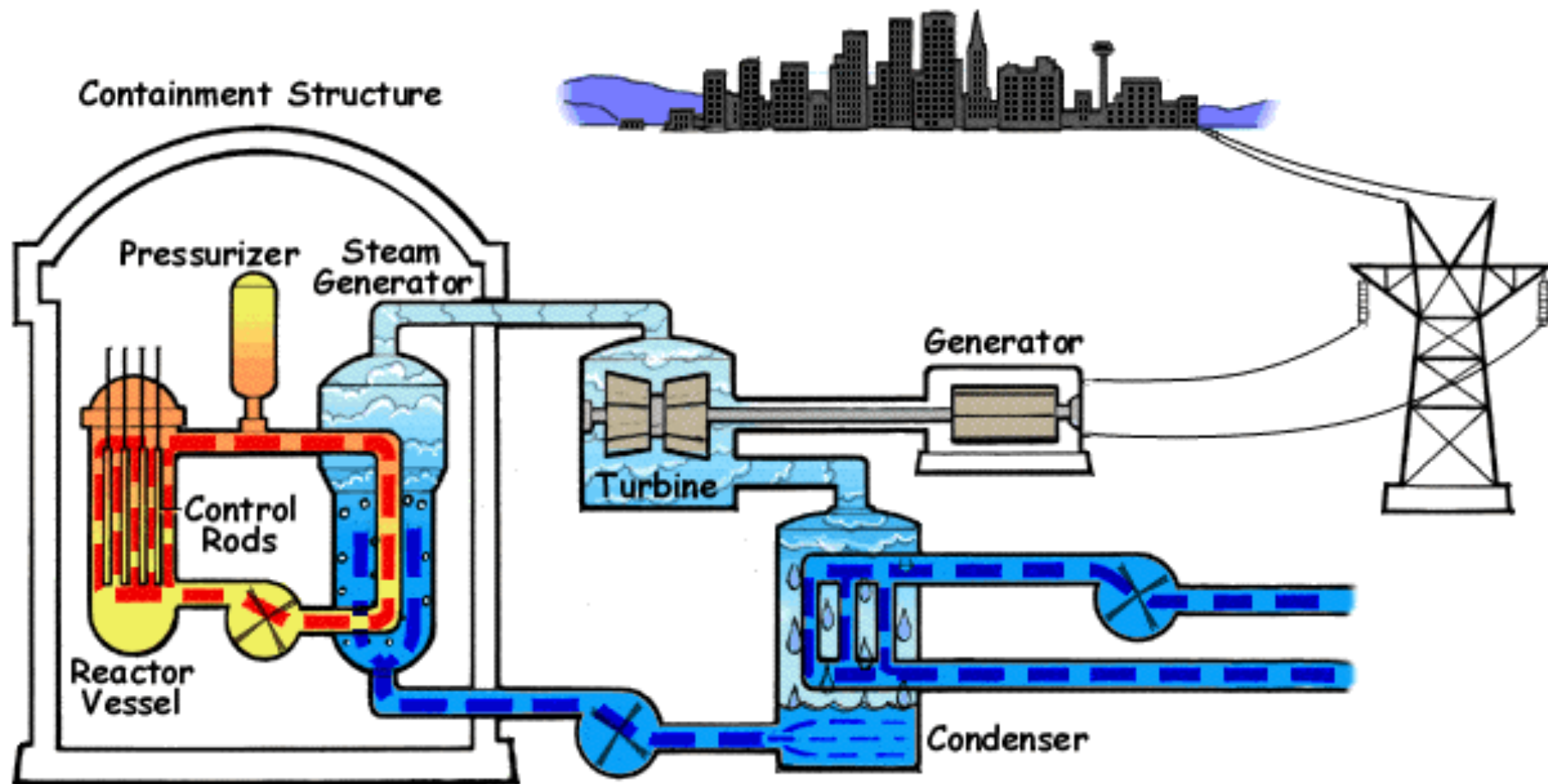
## Broad Objective:

- Use UQ/SA to help bridge scales from quantum to system

## Note:

- Linearly parameterized

## Example 3: Pressurized Water Reactors (PWR)



### Models:

- Involve neutron transport, thermal-hydraulics, chemistry.
- Inherently multi-scale, multi-physics.

**CRUD Measurements:** Consist of low resolution images at limited number of locations.



# Example: Pressurized Water Reactors (PWR)

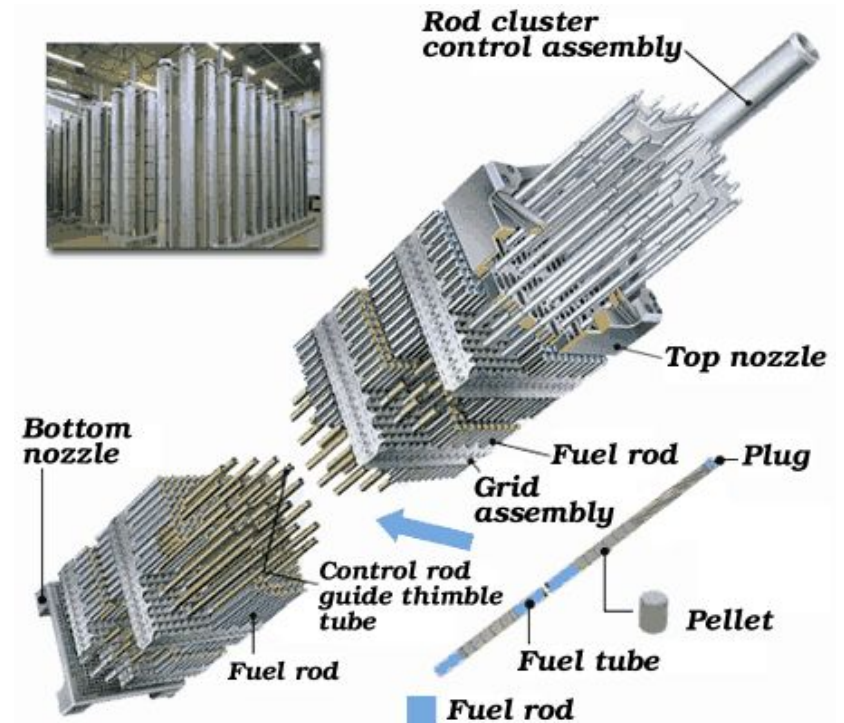
## 3-D Neutron Transport Equations:

$$\frac{1}{|v|} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \Omega \cdot \nabla \phi + \Sigma_t(r, E) \phi(r, E, \Omega, t) = \int_{4\pi} d\Omega' \int_0^\infty dE' \Sigma_s(E' \rightarrow E, \Omega' \rightarrow \Omega) \phi(r, E', \Omega', t) + \frac{\chi(E)}{4\pi} \int_{4\pi} d\Omega' \int_0^\infty dE' \underline{\nu(E') \Sigma_f(E')} \phi(r, E', \Omega', t)$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = \text{Sources} - \text{Sinks}$$

## Challenges:

- Very large number of inputs; e.g., 100,000; **Active subspace construction critical.**
- ORNL Code SCALE: Can take hours to run.
- Time-dependent surrogate models must accommodate PDE structure.
- **Numerical errors often difficult to quantify.**
- Predicting future requires extrapolatory or out-of-data predictions; one must address model discrepancy to construct validation intervals.



# Example: Pressurized Water Reactors (PWR)

**Thermo-Hydraulic Equations:** Mass, momentum and energy balance for fluid

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\alpha_f \rho_f) + \nabla \cdot (\alpha_f \rho_f \mathbf{v}_f) = -\Gamma$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_f \rho_f \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_f}{\partial t} + \alpha_f \rho_f \mathbf{v}_f \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v}_f + \nabla \cdot \sigma_f^R + \alpha_f \nabla \cdot \sigma + \alpha_f \nabla p_f \\ = -F^R - F + \Gamma(\mathbf{v}_f - \mathbf{v}_g)/2 + \alpha_f \rho_f \mathbf{g} \end{aligned}$$

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## Notes:

- Similar relations for gas and bubbly phases
- **Surrogate models must conserve mass, energy, and momentum**

## Challenges:

- Codes can have 15-30 closure relations and up to 75 parameters.
- Codes and closure relations often "borrowed" from other physical phenomena; e.g., single phase fluids, airflow over a car (CFD code STAR-CCM+)
- Calibration necessary and closure relations can conflict.
- Inference of random fields requires high- (infinite-) dimensional theory.



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**Example:** Shearon Harris outside Raleigh



## UQ Questions:

- What is peak operating temperature?
- What is expected level of CRUD buildup?
- What is risk associated with operating regime?
- What is expected profit for new design?

## Example 4: SIR Model for Disease Dynamics

### SIR Model:

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = \delta N - \delta S - \underline{\gamma k I S} \quad , \quad S(0) = S_0 \quad \text{Susceptible}$$

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \underline{\gamma k I S} - (r + \delta) I \quad , \quad I(0) = I_0 \quad \text{Infectious}$$

$$\frac{dR}{dt} = r I - \delta R \quad , \quad R(0) = R_0 \quad \text{Recovered}$$

### Parameters:

- $\gamma$ : Infection coefficient
- $k$ : Interaction coefficient
- $r$ : Recovery rate
- $\delta$ : Birth/death rate

### Response:

$$y = \int_0^5 R(t, q) dt$$

**Note:** Parameters  $q = [\gamma, k, r, \delta]$  not uniquely determined by data

**Note:** Presently employed cholera models have similar form; example this afternoon.

# SIR Disease Example

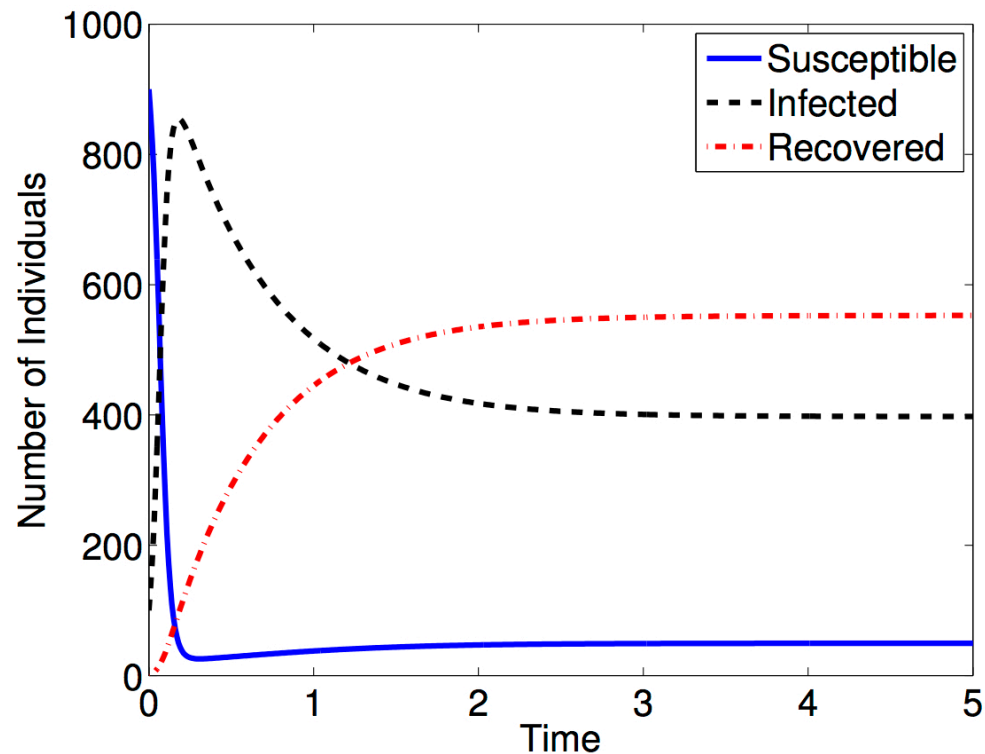
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## Typical Realization:



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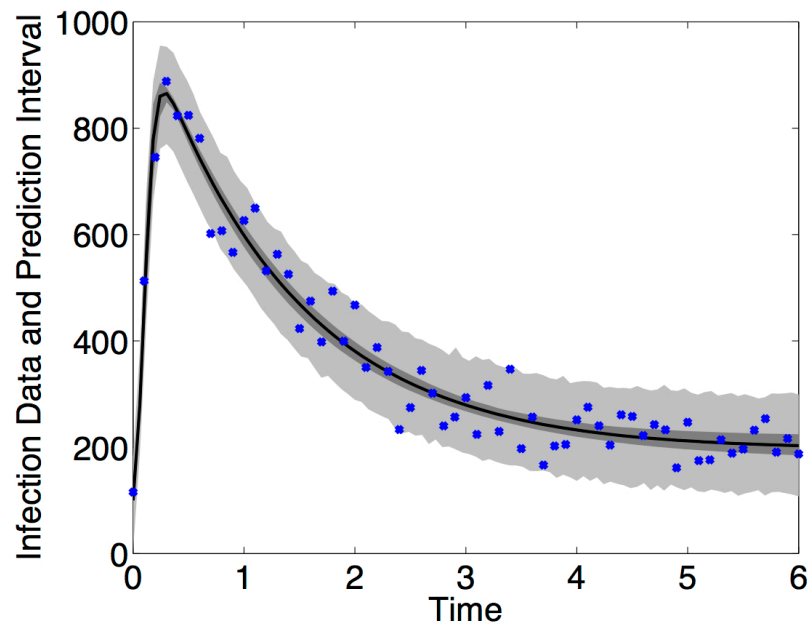
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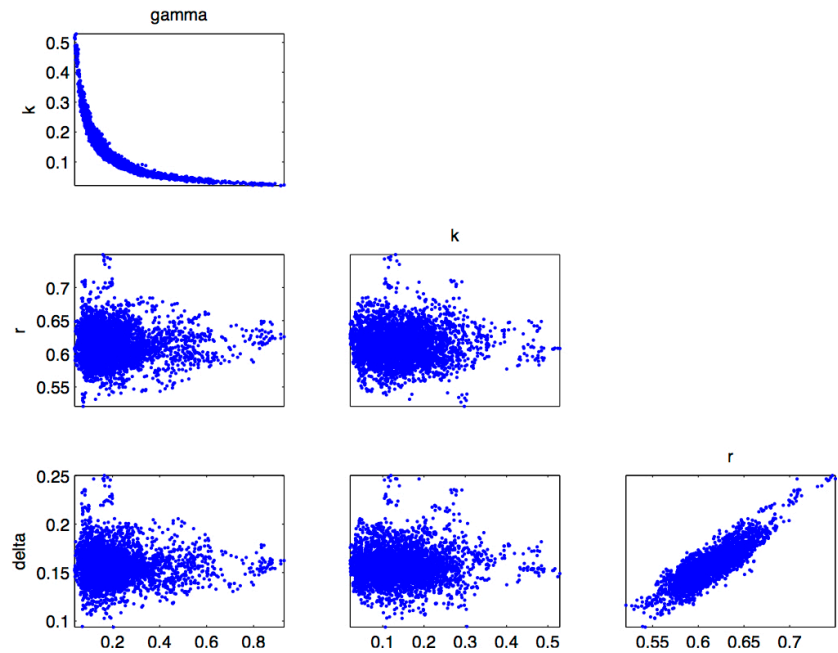
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**UQ Goal:** Predict  $I(t)$  with uncertainty intervals:



**Problem:** Cannot uniquely infer parameters



## Solution:

- Active subspaces
- Identifiability analysis
- Sensitivity analysis
- Design of experiments

# Example 5: HIV Model for Characterization and Control Regimes

## HIV Model:

$$\dot{T}_1 = \lambda_1 - d_1 T_1 - (1 - \varepsilon)k_1 VT_1$$

$$\dot{T}_2 = \lambda_2 - d_2 T_2 - (1 - f\varepsilon)k_2 VT_2$$

$$\dot{T}_1^* = (1 - \varepsilon)k_1 VT_1 - \delta T_1^* - m_1 ET_1^*$$

$$\dot{T}_2^* = (1 - f\varepsilon)k_2 VT_2 - \delta T_2^* - m_2 ET_2^*$$

$$\dot{V} = N_T \delta (T_1^* + T_2^*) - cV - [(1 - \varepsilon)\rho_1 k_1 T_1 + (1 - f\varepsilon)\rho_2 k_2 T_2] V$$

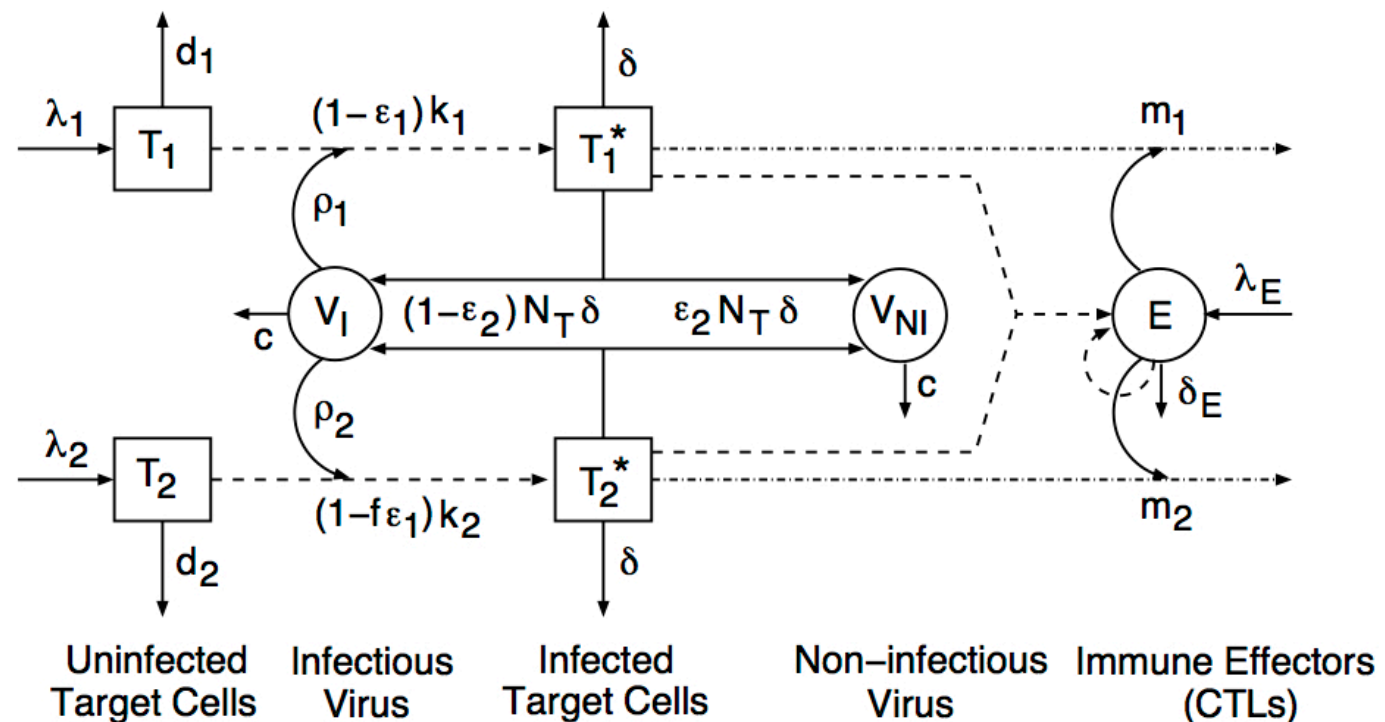
$$\dot{E} = \lambda_E + \frac{b_E (T_1^* + T_2^*)}{T_1^* + T_2^* + K_b} E - \frac{d_E (T_1^* + T_2^*)}{T_1^* + T_2^* + K_d} E - \delta_E E$$

Notes: 21 parameters

[Adams, Banks et al., 2005, 2007]

Notation:  $\dot{E} \equiv \frac{dE}{dt}$

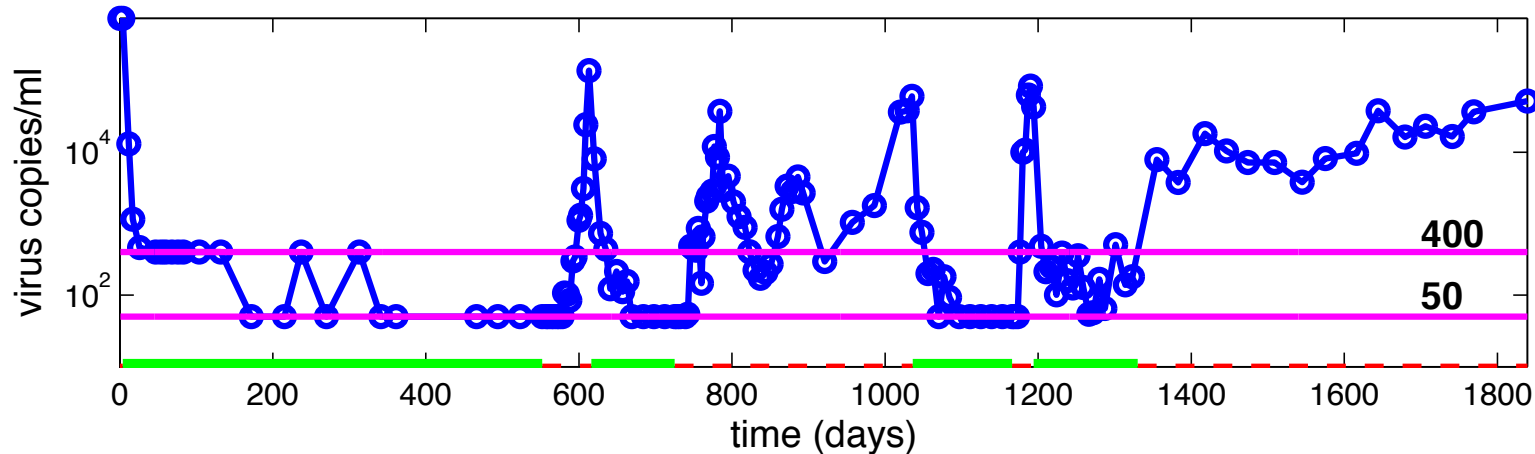
## Compartments:



# Example: HIV Model for Characterization and Treatment Regimes

**HIV Model:** Several sources of uncertainty including viral measurement techniques

**Example:** Upper and lower limits to assay sensitivity



## UQ Questions:

- What are the uncertainties in parameters that cannot be directly measured?
- What is optimal treatment regime that is “safe” for patient?
- What is expected viral load? Issue: very often requires high-dimensional integration!

- e.g.,  $\mathbb{E}[V(t)] = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{21}} V(t, q) \rho(q) dq$

*Experimental results are believed by everyone, except for the person who ran the experiment, source anonymous, quoted by Max Gunzburger, Florida State University.*

## 2. Challenge: Terminology and Notation

### Terminology:

- **Inputs:** Parameters, initial conditions, boundary conditions, exogenous forces; e.g., parameters in HIV models, initial conditions in weather models.
- **Outputs or Responses:** Quantities that we experimentally or numerically measure; e.g., viral load, outlet temperature in reactor.
- **Quantities of Interest (Qoi):** Statistical quantity that we want to compute; e.g., average CRUD buildup, expected profit for a given design.

### Input Notation: Can vary even within disciplines!

- Math Control Community:  $q = [q_1, \dots, q_p]$
- Math Reduced-Order Community:  $p = [p_1, \dots, p_q]$
- Statistics:  $\theta = [\theta_1, \dots, \theta_d]$
- Nuclear Engineering:  $\alpha = [\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k]$
- Active subspace community:  $x = [x_1, \dots, x_p]$

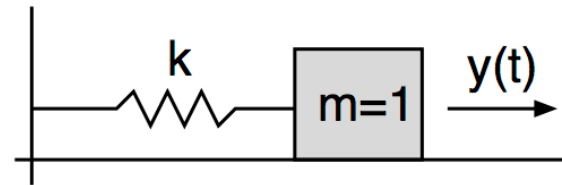
**Note:** Same variability in notation for outputs and quantities of interest

# First Challenge: Terminology and Notation

## Terminology:

- Linearly parameterized problems: e.g., portfolio model  $y = c_1 q_1 + c_2 q_2$ 
  - Rare in applications except **constitutive relations** and image processing
- Nonlinearly parameterized problems: typical case
  - Differs from linear or nonlinear in state; e.g., spring model

$$\frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2} + ky(t) = 0$$
$$y(0) = y_0, \quad \frac{dy}{dt}(0) = 0$$



Notation:  $\dot{y} \equiv \frac{dy}{dt}$ ,  $\ddot{y} \equiv \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2}$

Inputs:  $q = [k, y_0]$

Response: Displacement  $y(t) = y_0 \cos(\sqrt{k} \cdot t)$

$$\ddot{y}(t) + ky(t) = 0$$
$$\Rightarrow y(0) = y_0, \quad \frac{dy}{dt}(0) = 0$$

## Note:

- Linear state dependence
- Nonlinear parameter dependence



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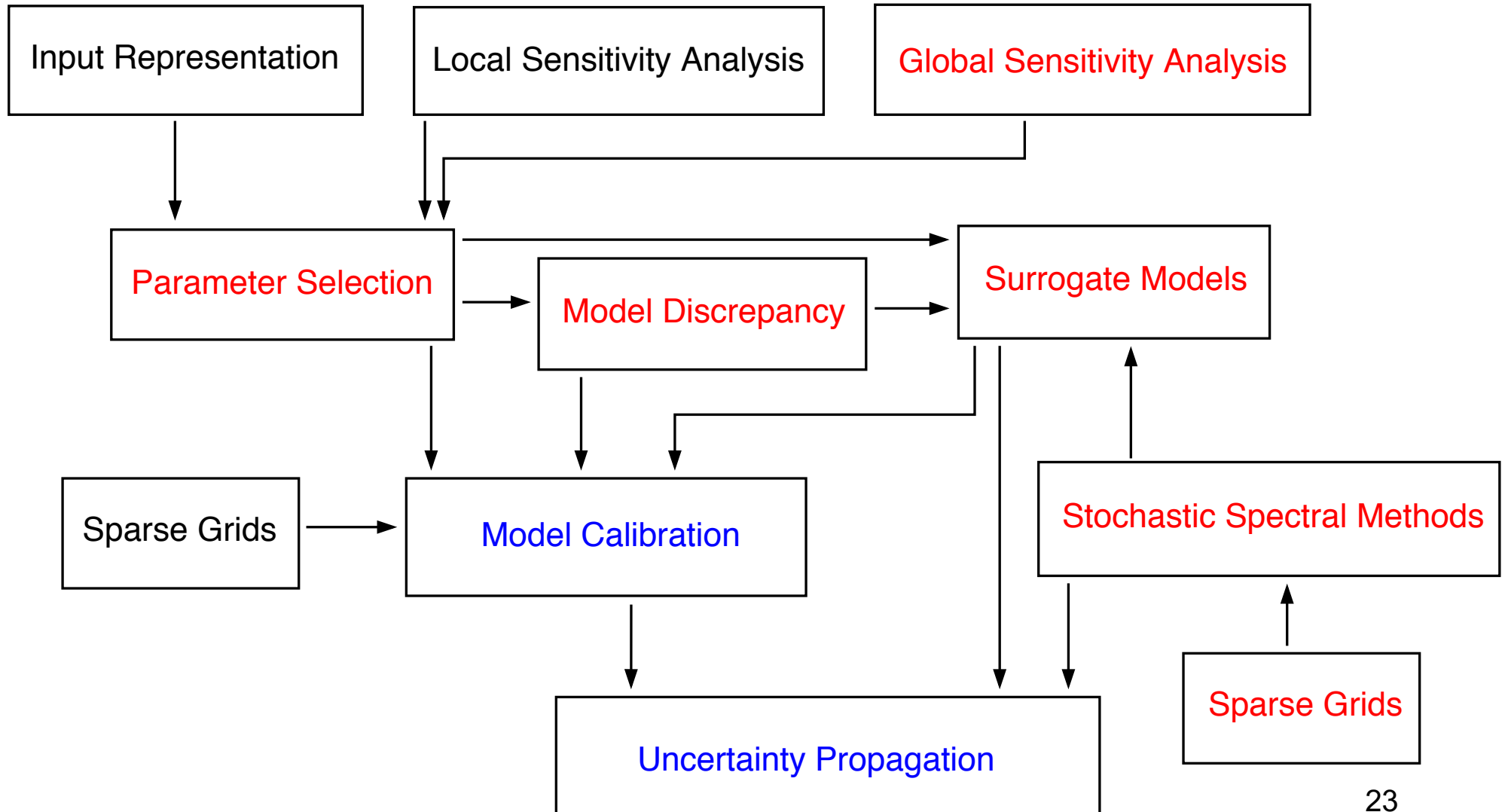
**My Definition of “Capital UQ”:** The synergy between statistics, applied mathematics and domain sciences required to quantify uncertainties in inputs and QoI when models are too computationally complex to permit sole reliance on sampling-based methods.”

- Involves orthogonal polynomial techniques, sparse grids, high-D (infinite-D) approximation theory, randomized linear algebra ... and a lot of statistics!

*No one trusts a model except the man who wrote it; everyone trusts an observation except the man who made it, Harlow Shapely.*

# Steps in Uncertainty Quantification

**Note:** Uncertainty quantification requires synergy between statistics, mathematics and application area.



# Model Calibration

## Sources of Uncertainty:

- Model
- Parameters
- Sensor measurements
- Initial conditions

## Strategy:

- Quantify uncertainty in parameters
- Propagate uncertainty through model

## Parameters: Reduced set

$$q = [b_E, \delta, d_1, k_2, \lambda_1, K_b]$$

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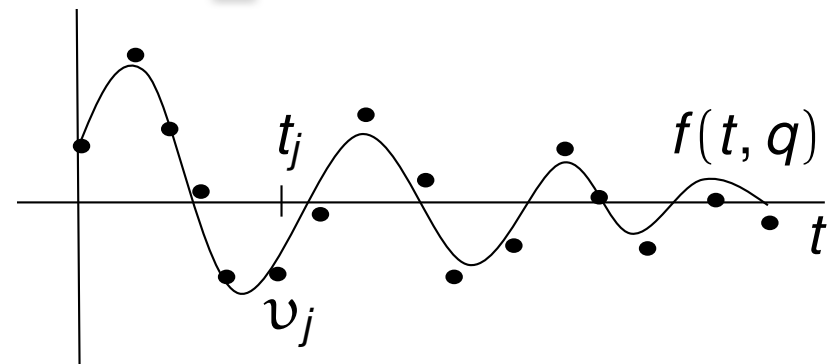
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## Point Estimates: Ordinary least squares

$$q^0 = \arg \min_q \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^N [v_j - f(t_j, q)]^2$$



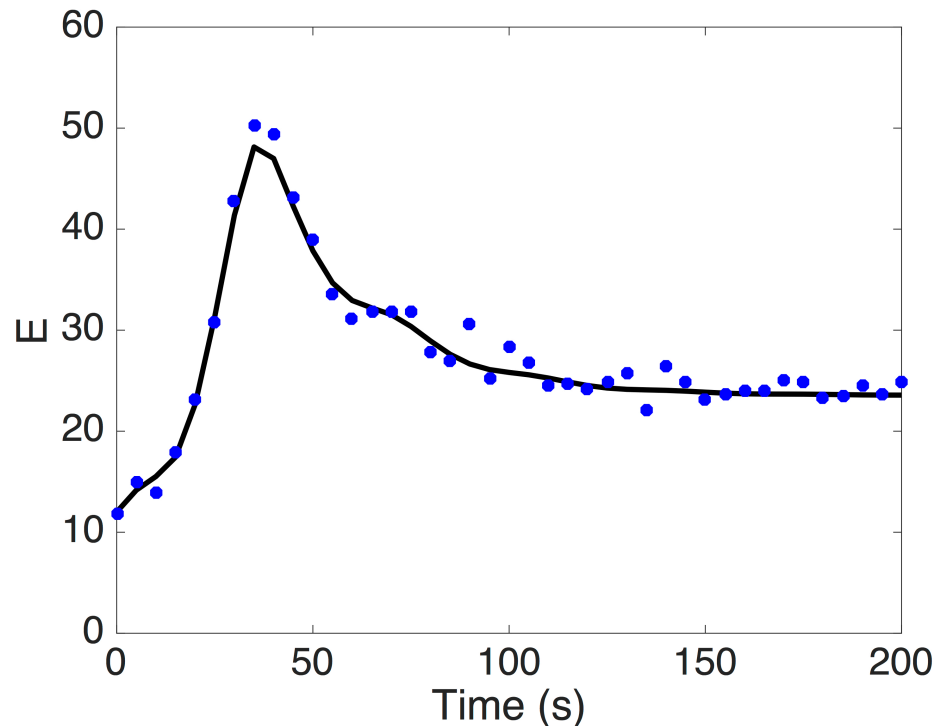
**Note:** Scaling critical since parameter values vary by 8 orders of magnitude.

# Model Calibration and Predictions

## Optimization Results:

| $b_E$ | $\delta$ | $d_1$                | $k_2$                 | $\lambda_1$        | $K_b$ |
|-------|----------|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-------|
| 0.30  | 0.68     | $9.1 \times 10^{-3}$ | $1.22 \times 10^{-4}$ | $9.95 \times 10^3$ | 88.5  |

## Data and Prediction of Immune Effector Response E:



**Note:** Point estimates but no quantification of uncertainty in:

- Model
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- Data

### Goals:

- Replace point estimates with distributions.
- Construct credible and prediction intervals.
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# Objectives for Uncertainty Quantification

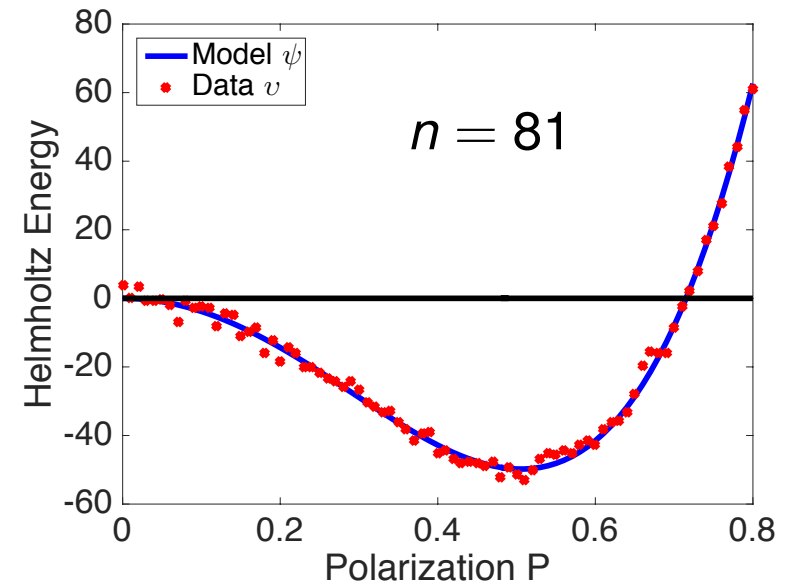
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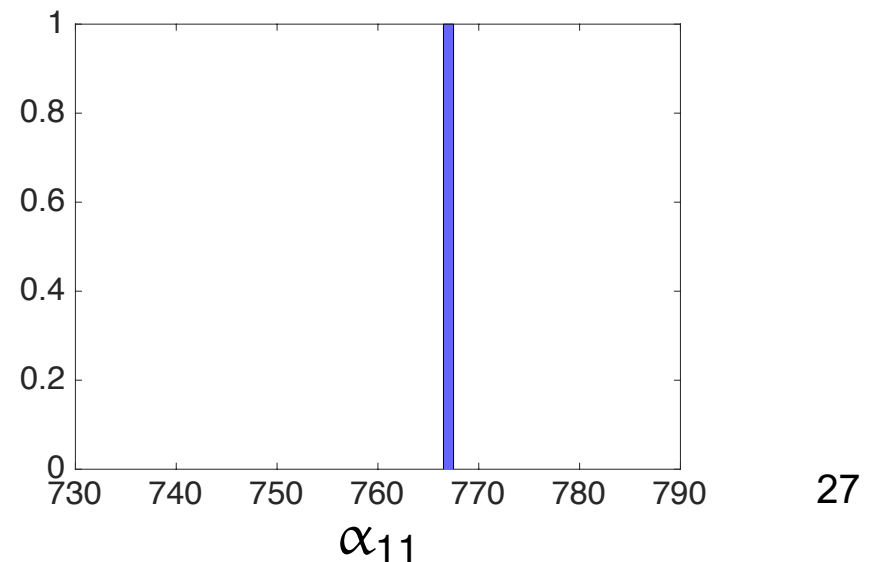
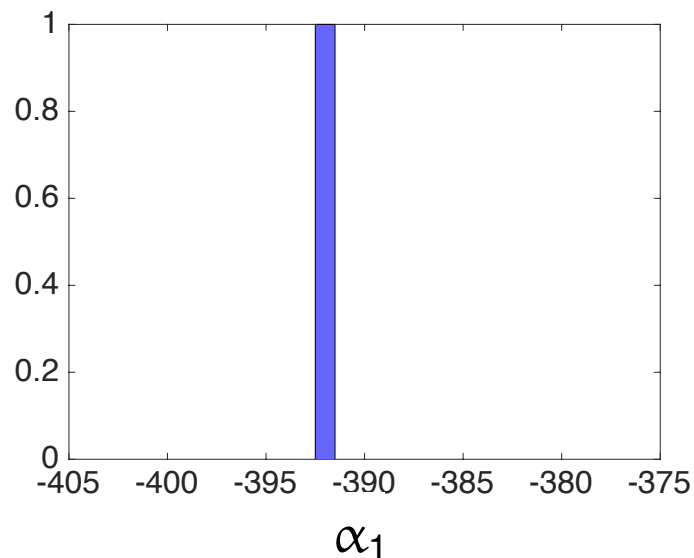
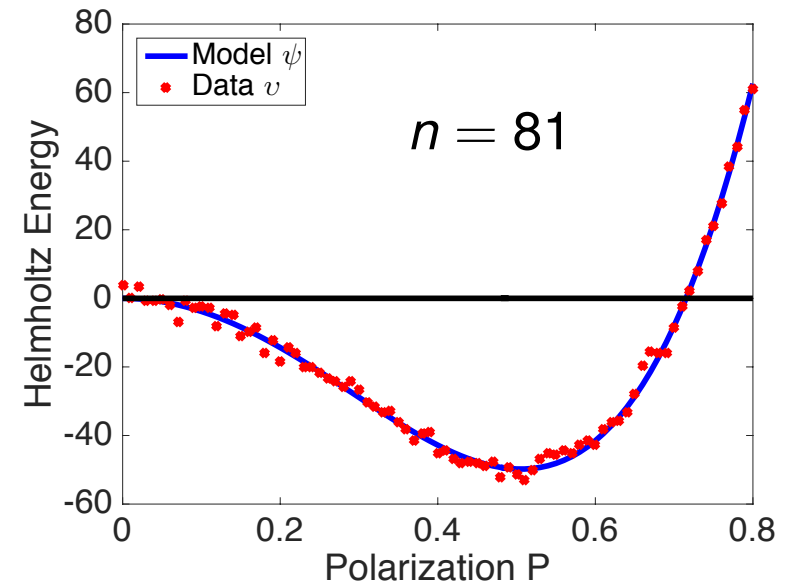
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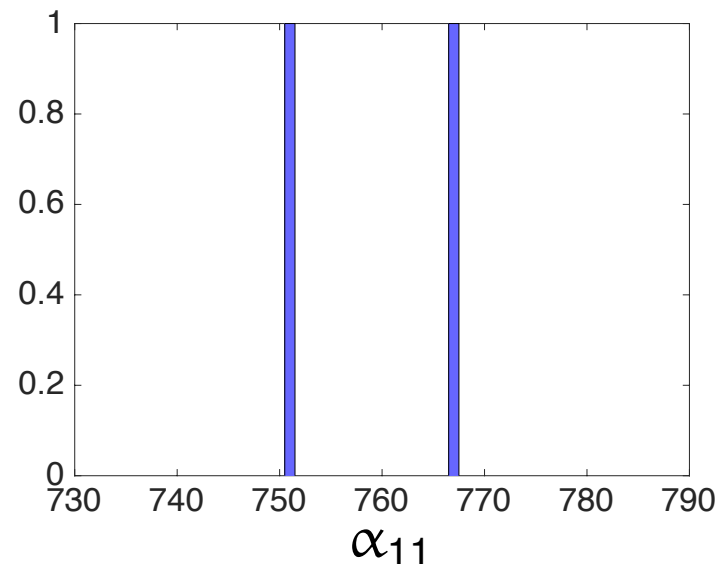
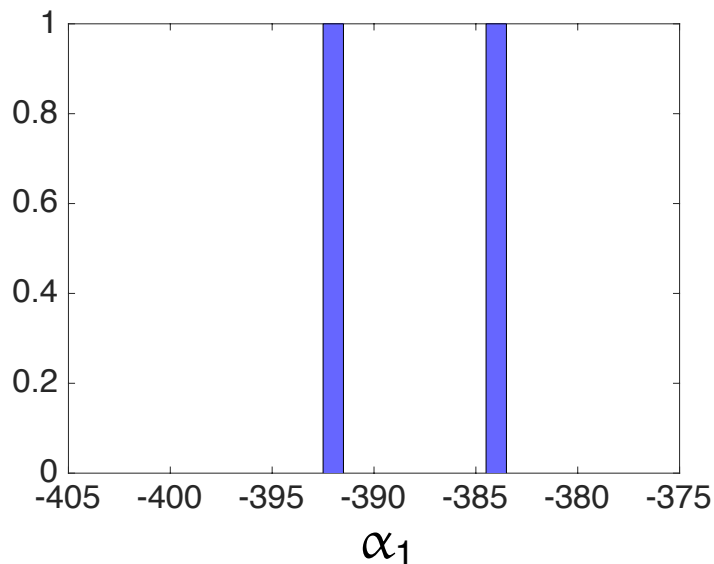
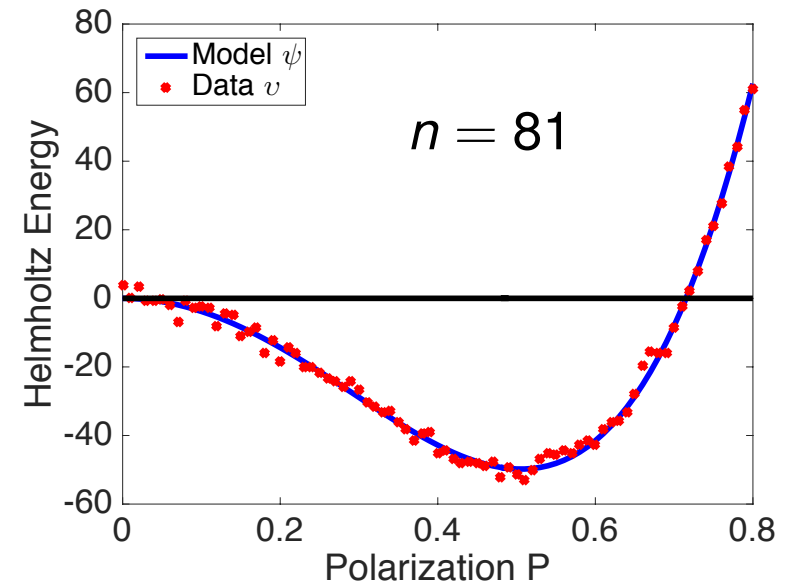
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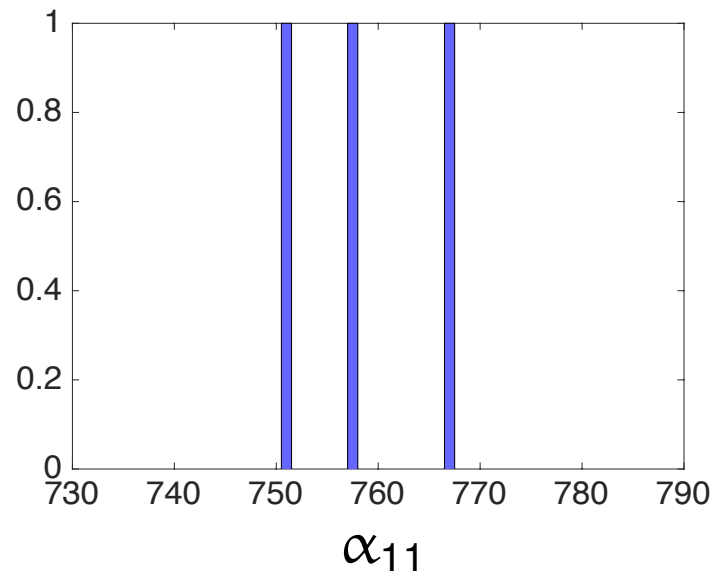
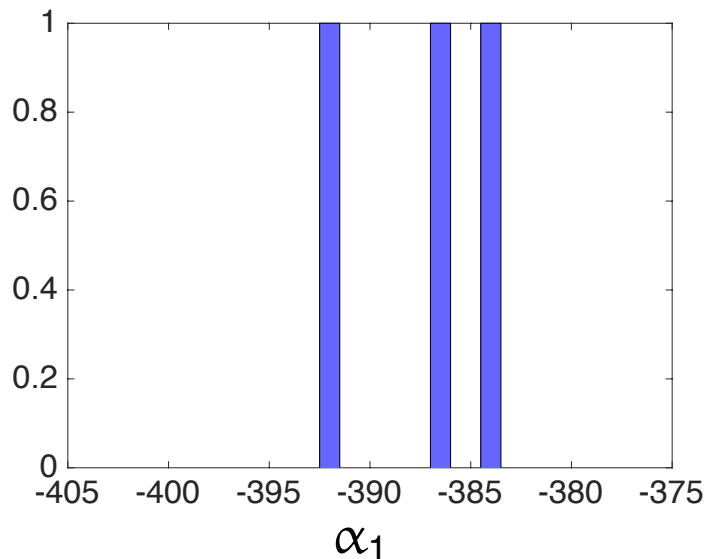
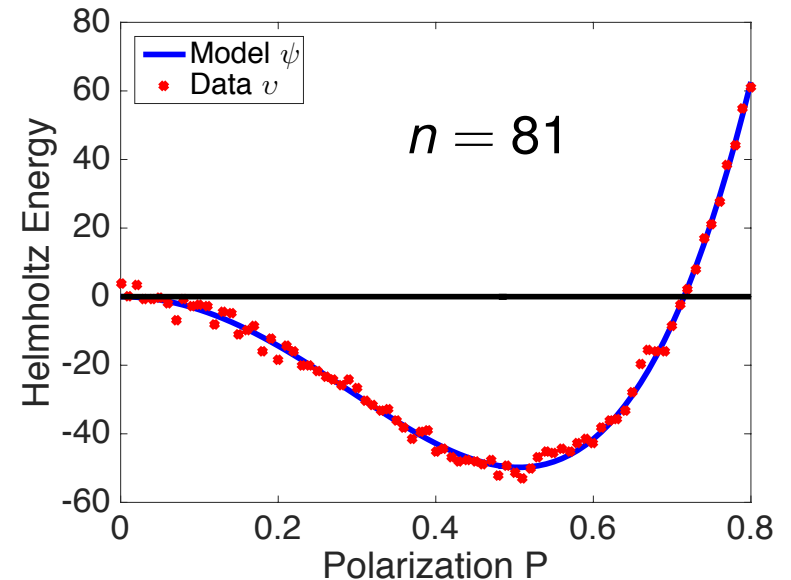
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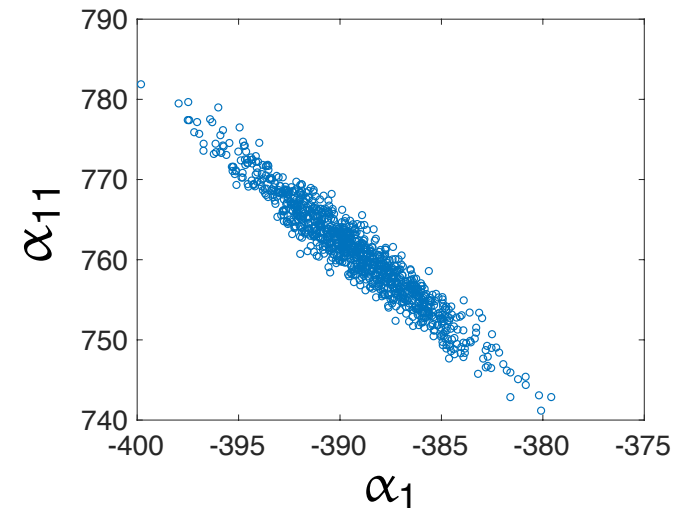
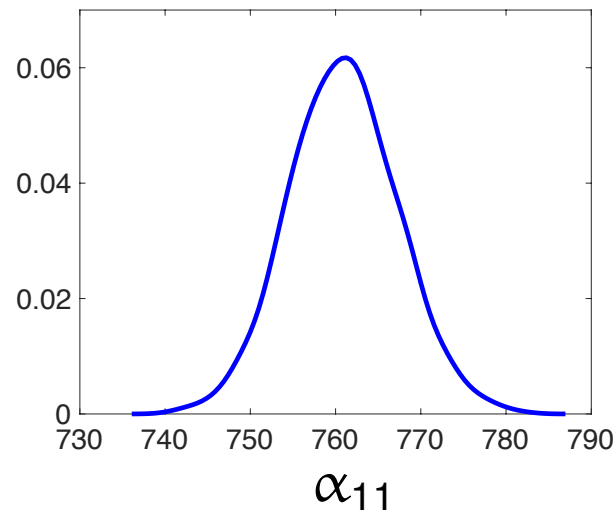
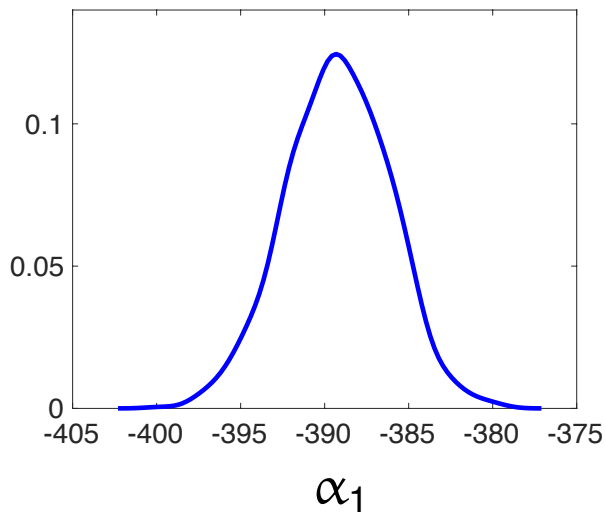
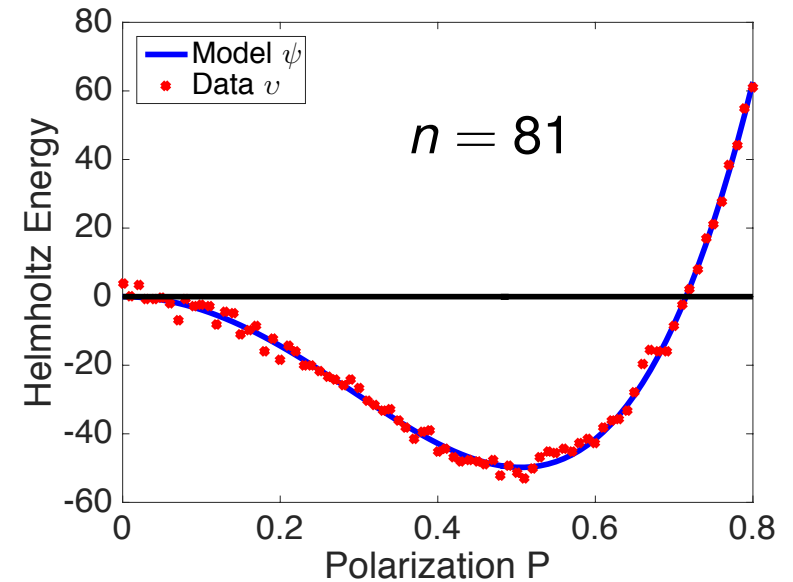
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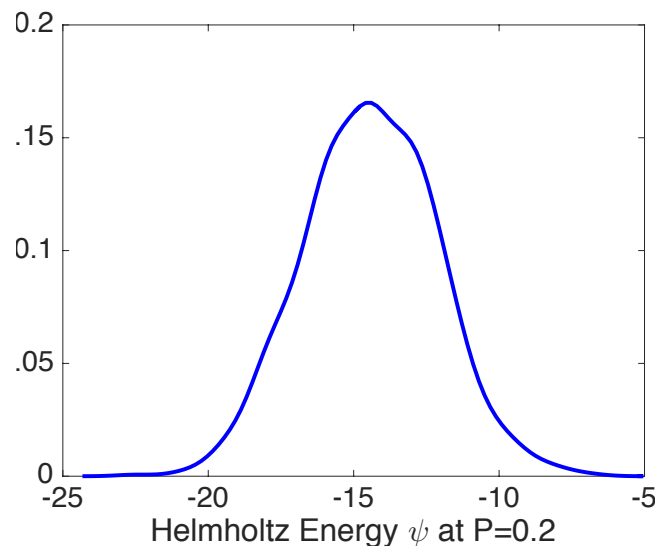
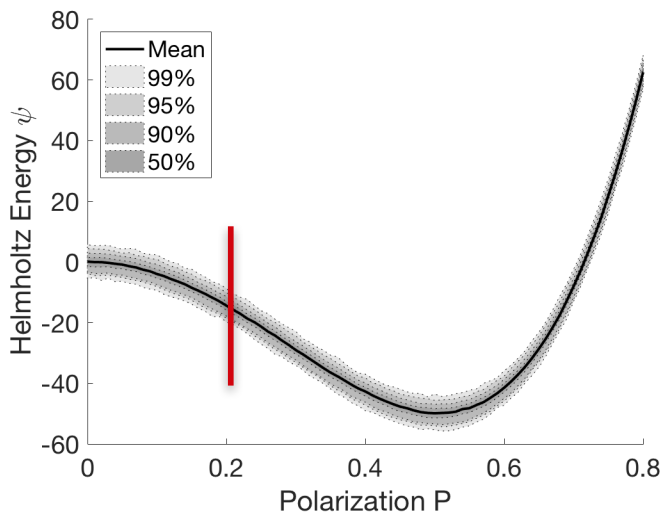
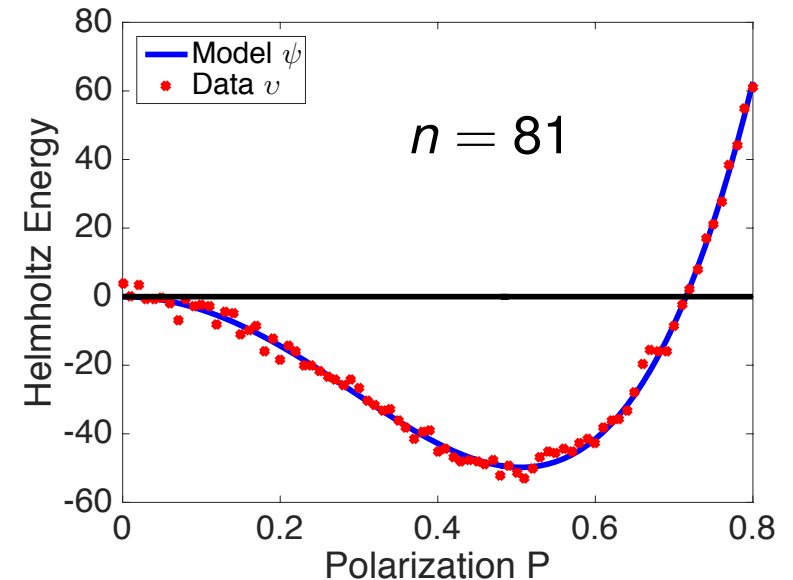
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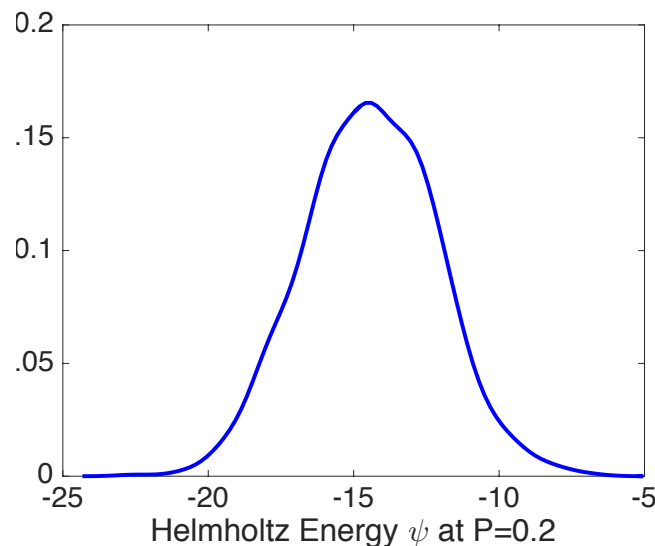
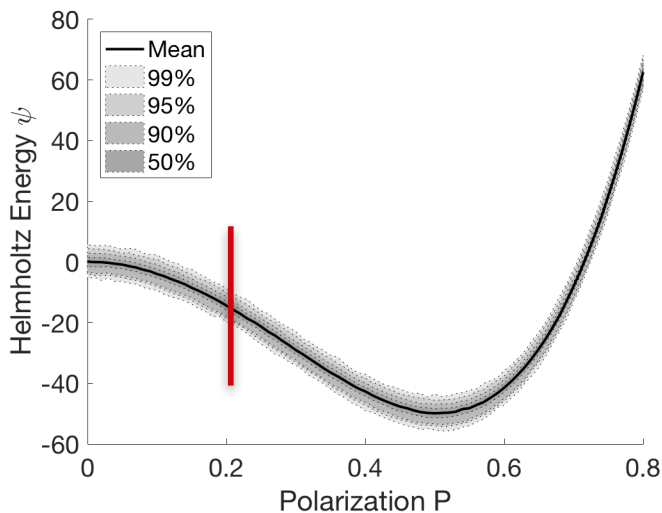
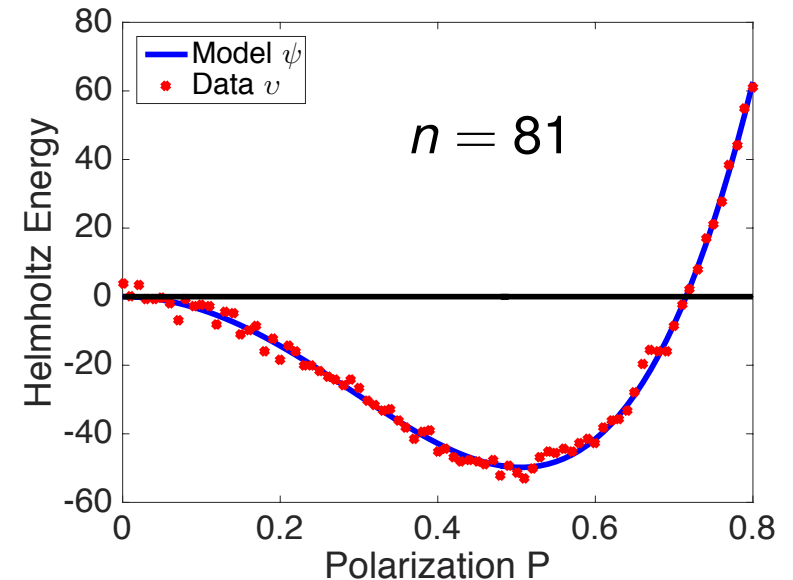
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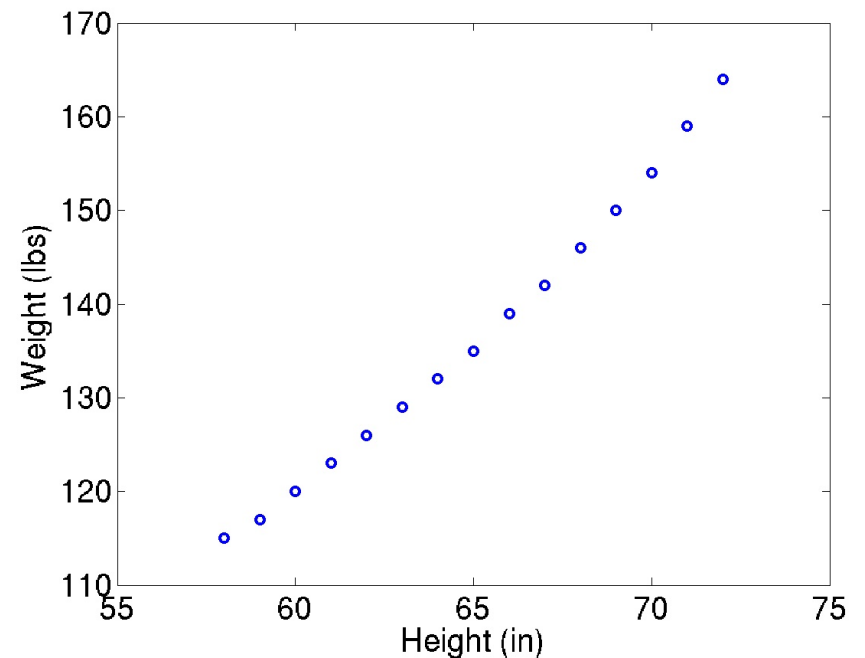
# Frequentist Techniques for Model Calibration

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# Linear Regression

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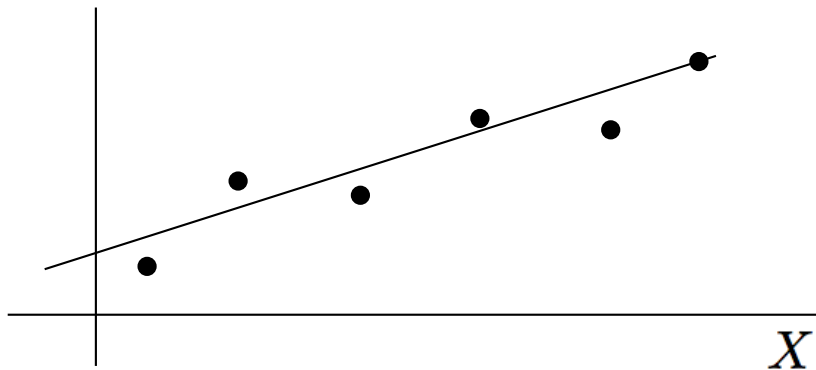
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where

$$\Upsilon = \begin{bmatrix} \Upsilon_1 \\ \vdots \\ \Upsilon_n \end{bmatrix}, X = \begin{bmatrix} X_{11} & \cdots & X_{1p} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ X_{n1} & \cdots & X_{np} \end{bmatrix}, q_0 = \begin{bmatrix} q_1 \\ \vdots \\ q_p \end{bmatrix}, \varepsilon = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Observations                      Design Matrix                      Unknown Parameters                      Errors

Example:  $\Upsilon_i = (q_0 + q_1 X_i) + \varepsilon_i, i = 1, \dots, n$



# Linear Regression

## Statistical Model:

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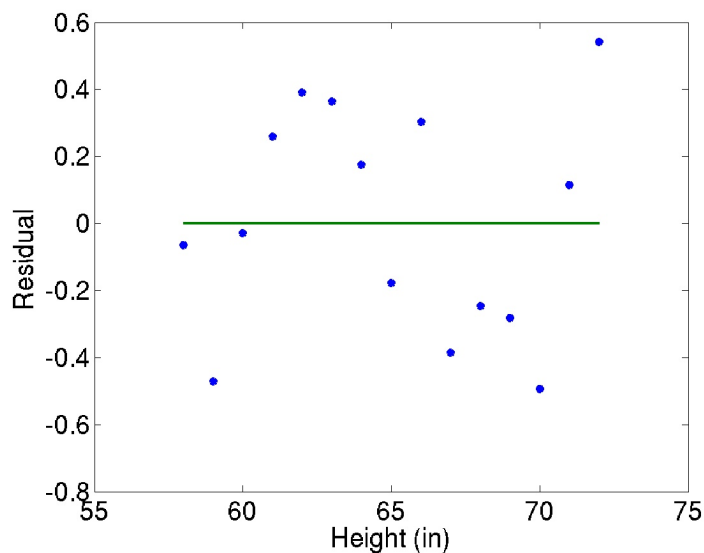
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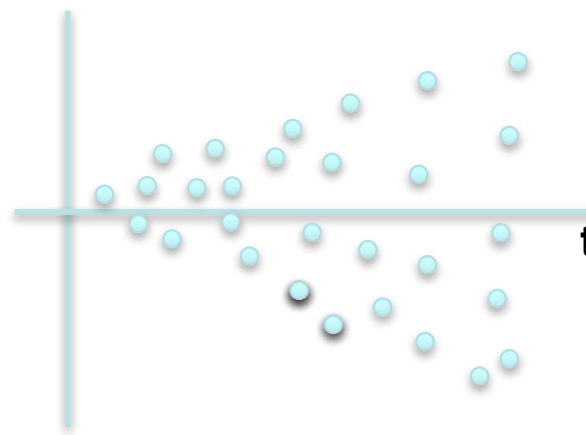
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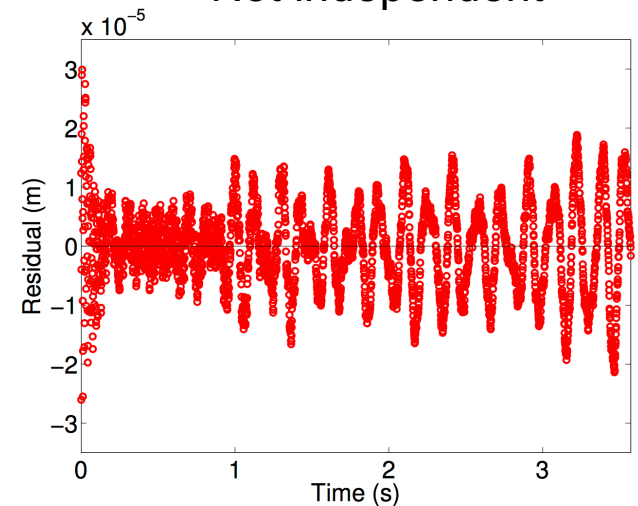
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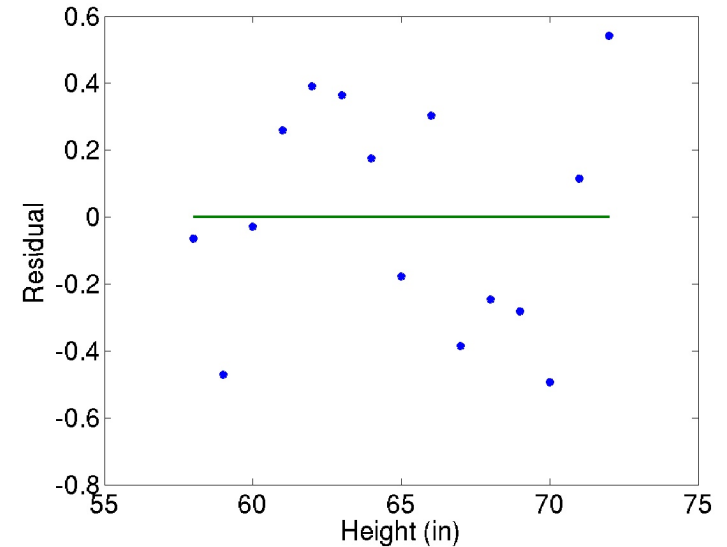
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## Goals:

(1) Construct a 'good' estimator  $\hat{q}$  for  $q$ .

(2) Construct an estimator  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  for  $\sigma_0^2$ .

## Terminology:

- Estimator: Random variable having associated sampling distributions
- Estimate: Realization so real number

# Least Squares Problem

Minimize

$$\mathcal{J}(q) = (\Upsilon - Xq)^T (\Upsilon - Xq)$$

Note:

$$\nabla_q \mathcal{J} = 2[\nabla_q (\Upsilon - Xq)^T] [\Upsilon - Xq] = 0$$

where

$$\nabla_q (\Upsilon - Xq)^T = -\nabla_q q^T X^T = -X^T$$

**Least Squares Estimator:**  $\hat{q}_{OLS} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \Upsilon$

**Least Squares Estimate:**  $q_{OLS} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T v$

# Parameter Estimator Properties

## Estimator Mean:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}(\hat{q}) &= \mathbb{E}[(X^T X)^{-1} X^T \Upsilon] \\ &= (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \mathbb{E}(\Upsilon) \\ &= q_0\end{aligned}$$

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## Estimator Covariance: Let $A = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T$

$$\begin{aligned}V(\hat{q}) &= \mathbb{E}[(\hat{q} - q_0)(\hat{q} - q_0)^T] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[(q_0 + A\varepsilon - q_0)(q_0 + A\varepsilon - q_0)^T], \text{ since } \hat{q} = A\Upsilon = A(Xq_0 + \varepsilon) \\ &= A\mathbb{E}(\varepsilon\varepsilon^T)A^T \\ &= \sigma_0^2(X^T X)^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

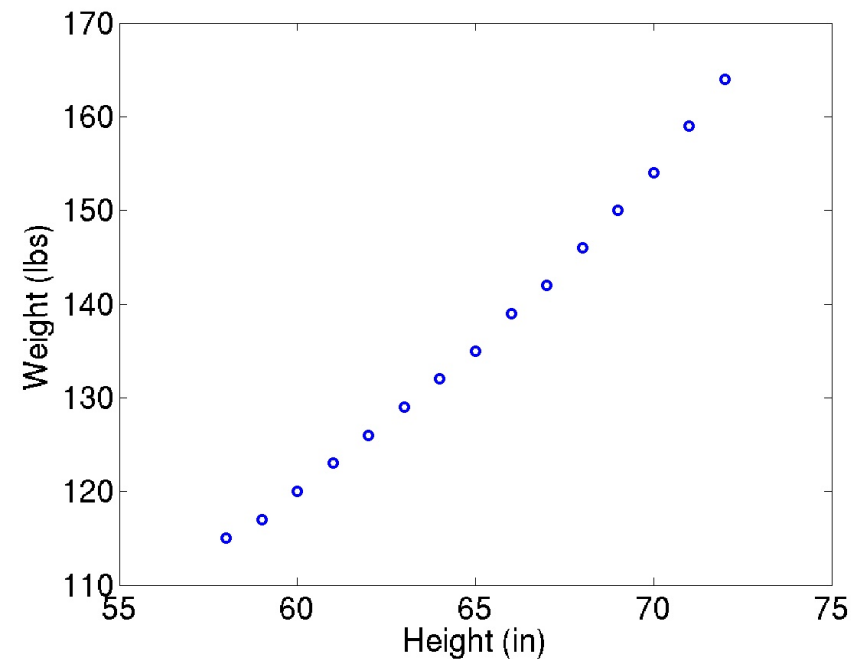
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## Least Square Estimate

$$(X^T X)q = X^T v$$

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$$\Rightarrow q_2 = -88.18$$

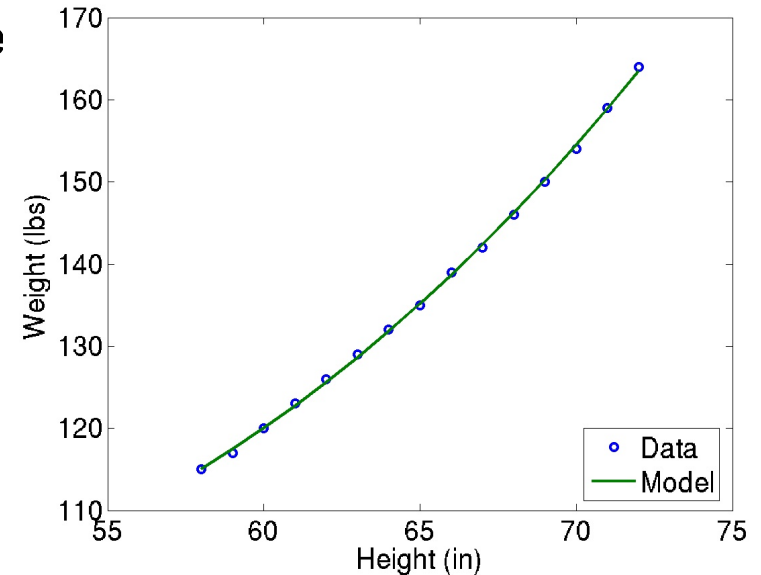
$$q_3 = 11.96$$

## Variance Estimate:

$$\sigma^2 = 0.15$$

## Parameter Covariance Estimate:

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} 634.88 & -235.04 & 21.66 \\ -235.04 & 87.09 & -8.03 \\ 21.66 & -8.03 & 0.74 \end{bmatrix}$$



**Note:** This yields variances and standard deviations for parameter estimates

$$q_1 = 261.88 \pm 50.39$$

$$q_1 \in [211.48, 312.27]$$

$$q_2 = -88.18 \pm 18.66$$

$$\Rightarrow q_2 \in [-106.84, -69.51]$$

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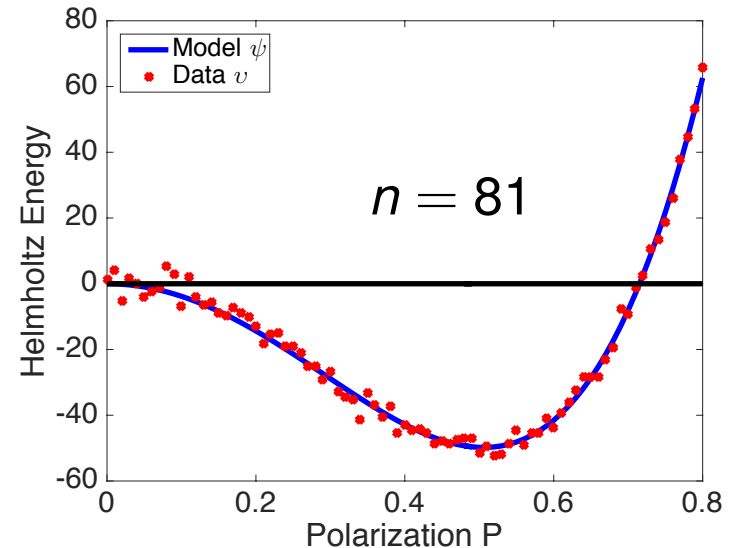
# Polarization Example

**Statistical Model:** For  $i = 1, \dots, n$

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$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} v_i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_i^2 & P_i^4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_{11} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow v = Xq + \varepsilon$$



**Statistical Quantities:**

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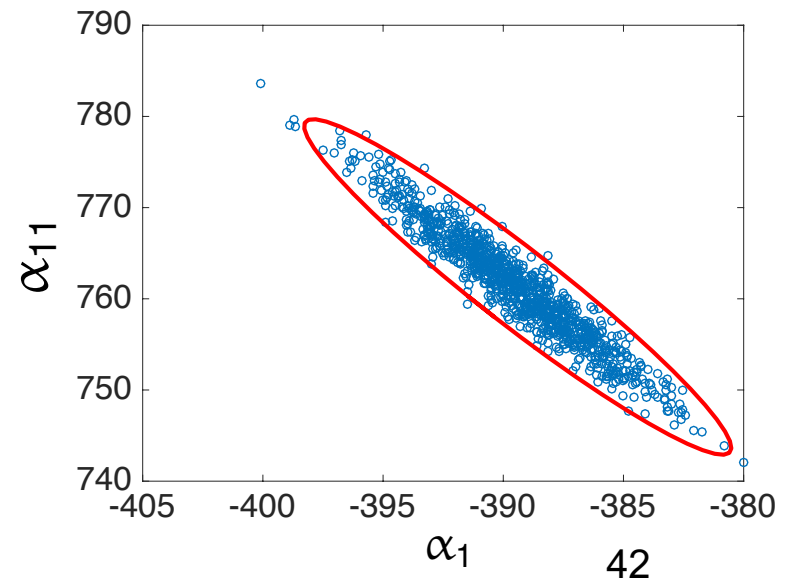
$$V = \underline{\sigma^2} (X^T X)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 8.8 & -17.4 \\ -17.4 & 37.6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Annotations for the covariance matrix V:

- Top-right element (8.8) is labeled  $\text{var}(\alpha_1)$ .
- Bottom-right element (37.6) is labeled  $\text{var}(\alpha_{11})$ .
- Off-diagonal elements (-17.4) are labeled  $\text{cov}(\alpha_1, \alpha_{11})$ .

**Note:** Covariance matrix incorporates “geometry”

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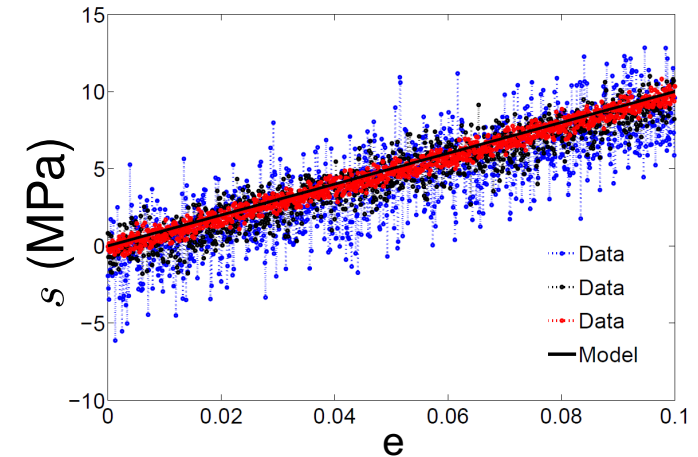
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# Bayesian Inference: More General Model

**Example:** Displacement-force relation (Hooke's Law)

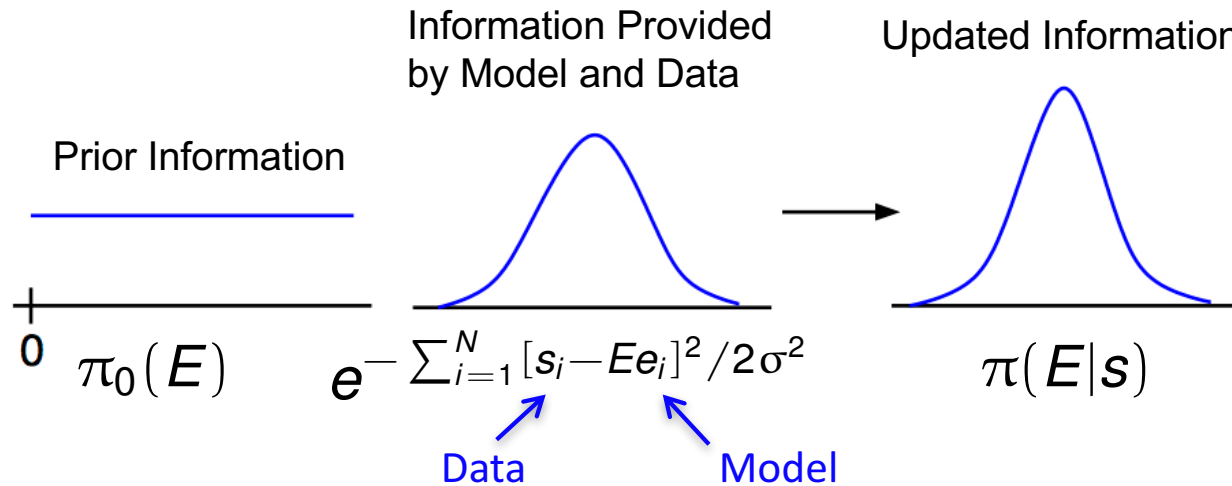
$$s_i = Ee_i + \varepsilon_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, N$$

$$\varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$



**Parameter:** Stiffness  $E$

**Strategy:** Use model fit to data to update prior information



**Non-normalized Bayes' Relation:**

$$\pi(E|s) = e^{-\sum_{i=1}^N [s_i - Ee_i]^2 / 2\sigma^2} \pi_0(E)$$



# Bayesian Inference

**Bayes' Relation:** Specifies posterior in terms of likelihood and prior

Likelihood:  $e^{-\sum_{i=1}^N [s_i - Ee_i]^2 / 2\sigma^2}$  ,  $q = E$   
 $v = [s_1, \dots, s_N]$

Posterior  
Distribution

$$\pi(q|v) = \frac{\pi(v|q)\pi_0(q)}{\int_{\mathbb{R}^p} \pi(v|q)\pi_0(q) dq}$$

Prior Distribution

Normalization Constant

- **Prior Distribution:** Quantifies prior knowledge of parameter values
- **Likelihood:** Probability of observing a data given set of parameter values.
- **Posterior Distribution:** Conditional distribution of parameters given observed data.

**Problem:** Can require high-dimensional integration

- e.g., HIV Model:  $p = 6 - 23!$
- Solution: Sampling-based Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) algorithms.
- Metropolis algorithms first used by nuclear physicists during Manhattan Project in 1940's to understand particle movement underlying first atomic bomb.

# Bayesian Model Calibration

## Bayes' Relation:

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)}$$

## Example: Coin Flip

$$\Upsilon_i(\omega) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad \omega = T \\ 1 & , \quad \omega = H \end{cases}$$

## Likelihood:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(v|q) &= \prod_{i=1}^N q^{v_i} (1 - q)^{1-v_i} \\ &= q^{N_1} (1 - q)^{N_0} \end{aligned}$$

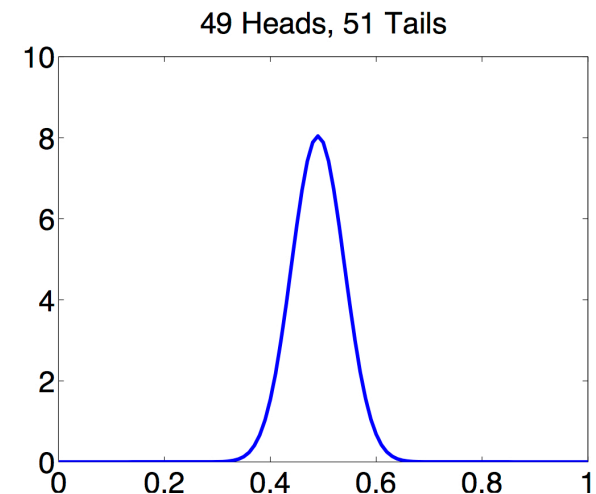
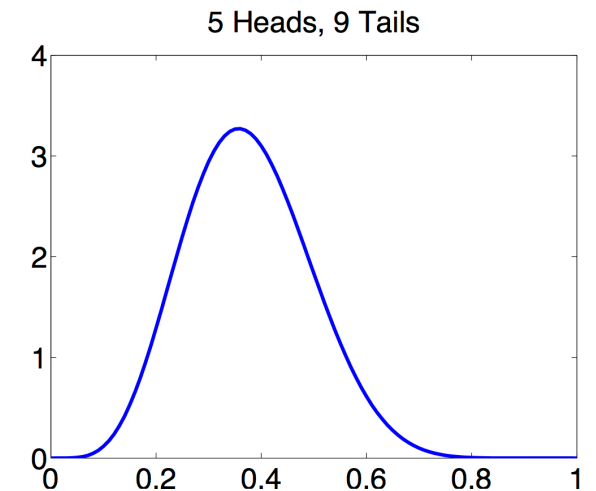
Posterior with Noninformative Prior:  $\pi_0(q) = 1$

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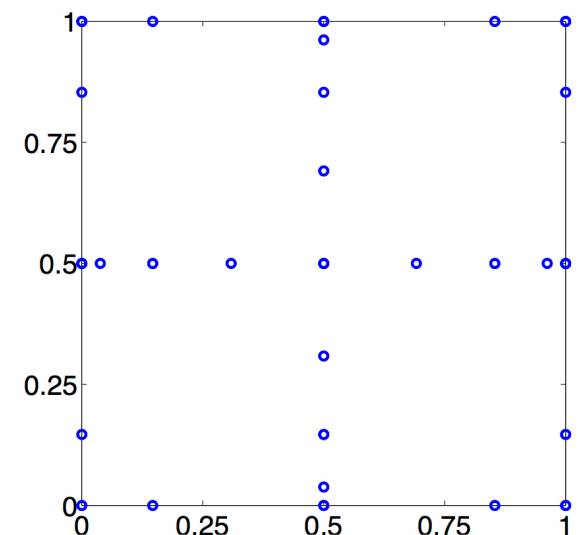
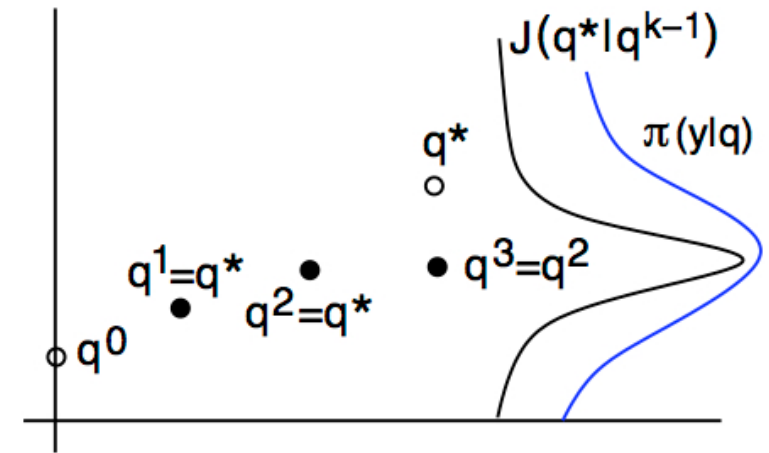
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## Problem:

- Often requires high dimensional integration;
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  - $p =$  hundreds to thousands for some models

## Strategies:

- Sampling methods
- Sparse grid quadrature techniques



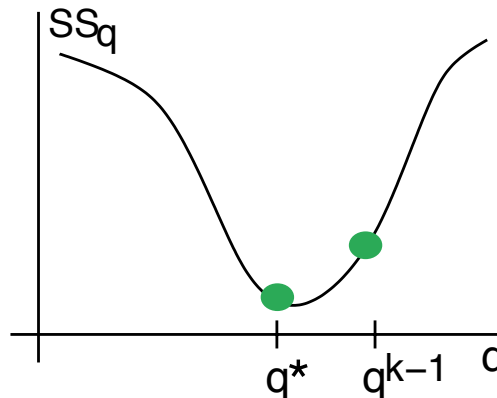
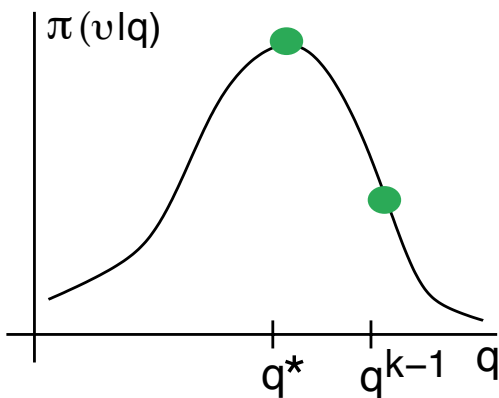
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## Strategy:

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**Intuition:** Consider flat prior  $\pi_0(q) = 1$  and Gaussian observation model

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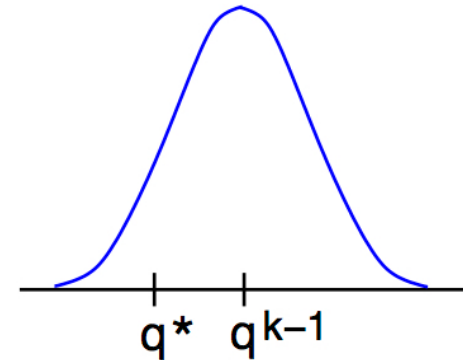
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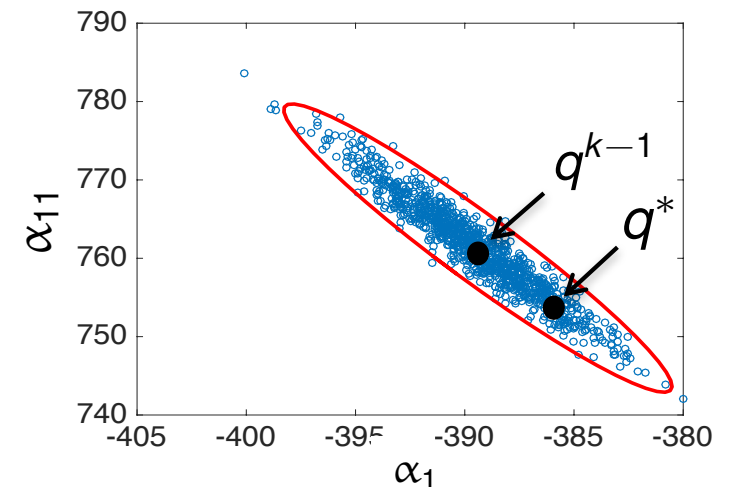
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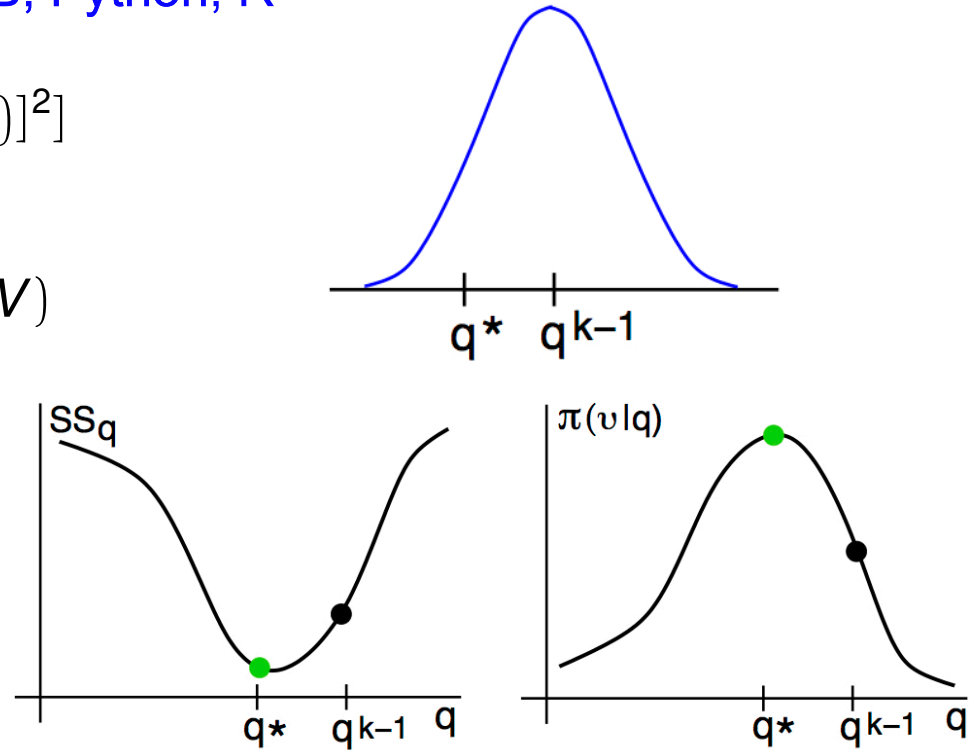
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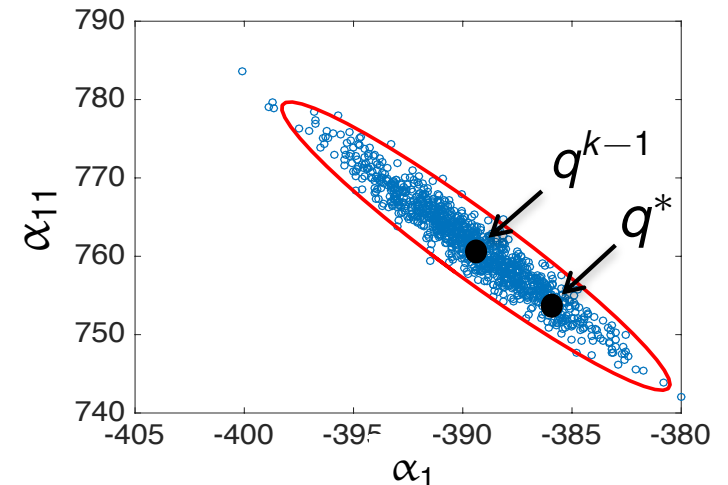
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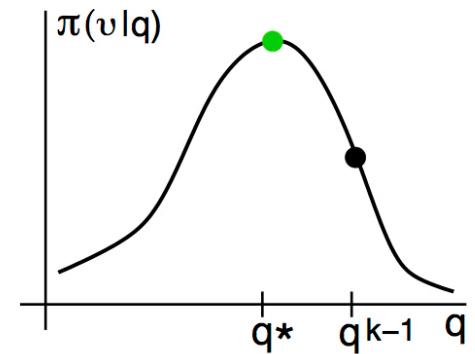
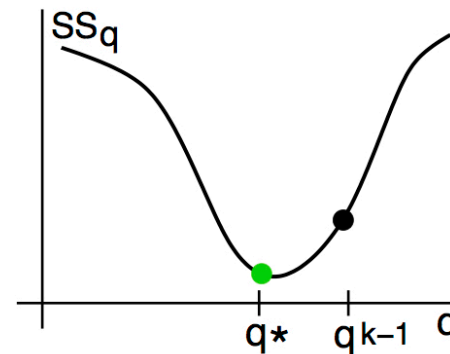
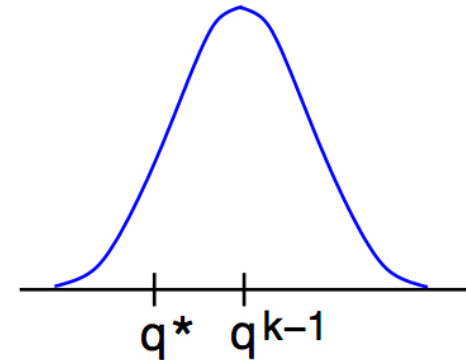
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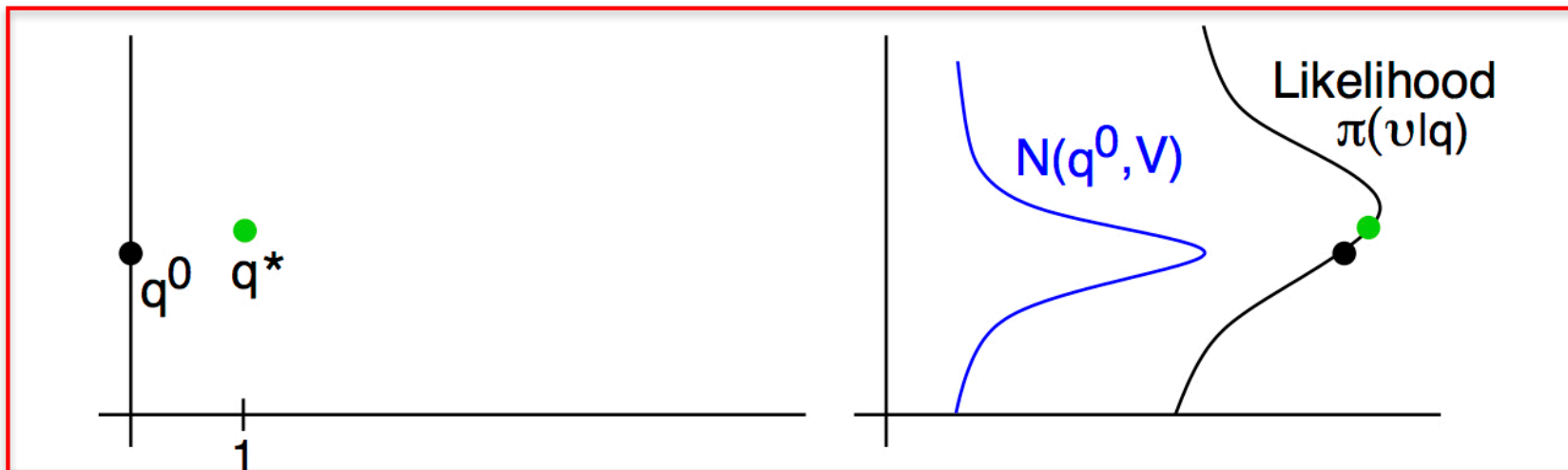
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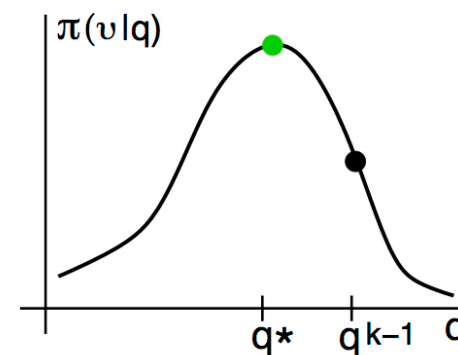
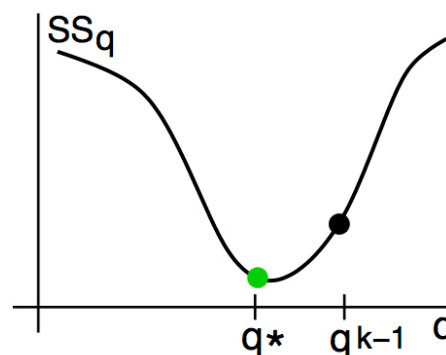
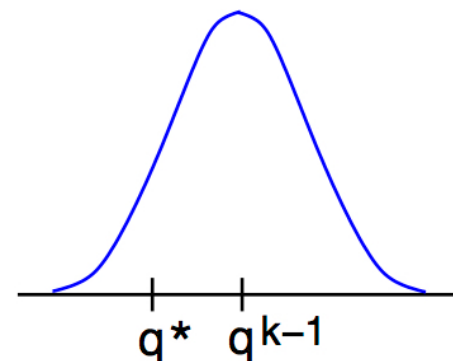
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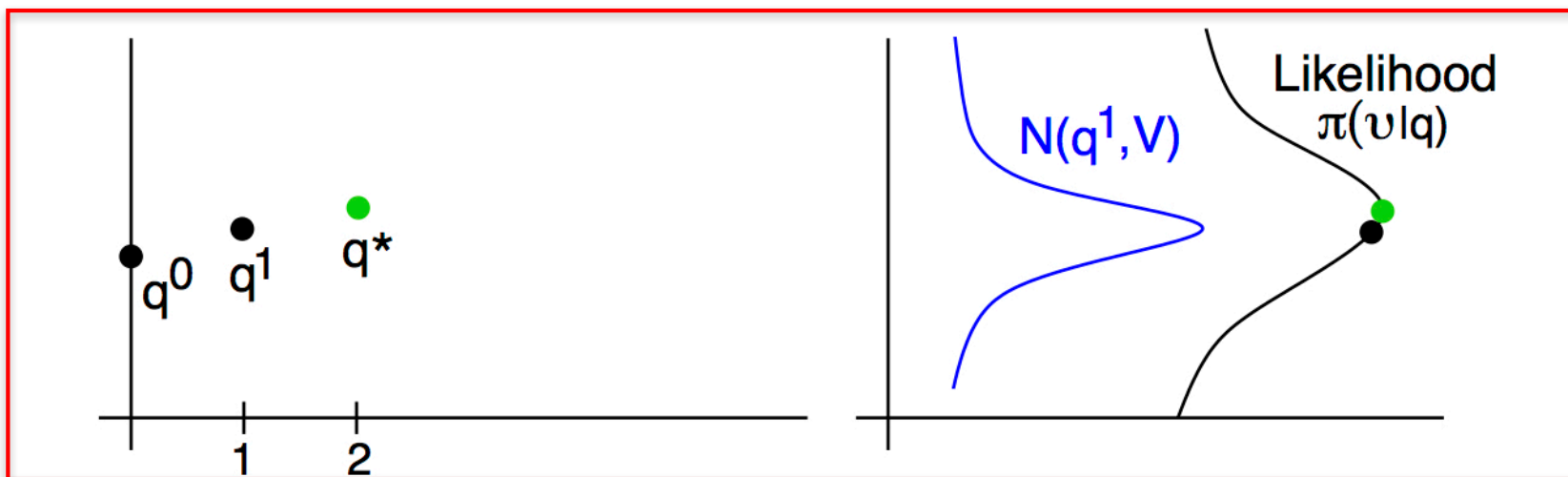
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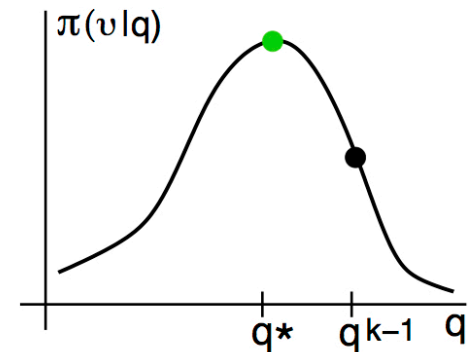
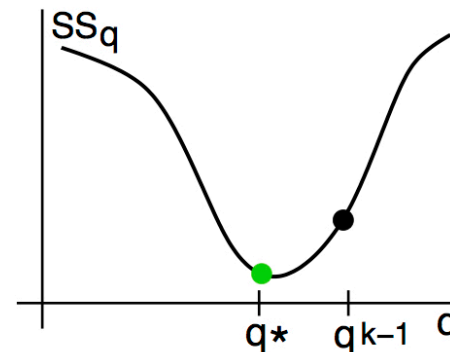
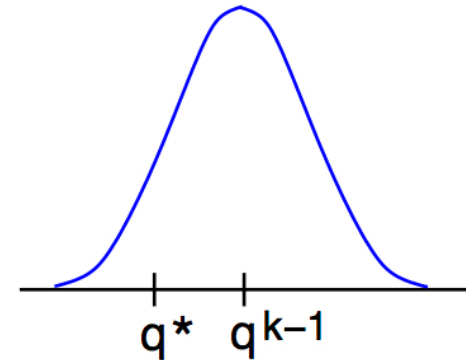
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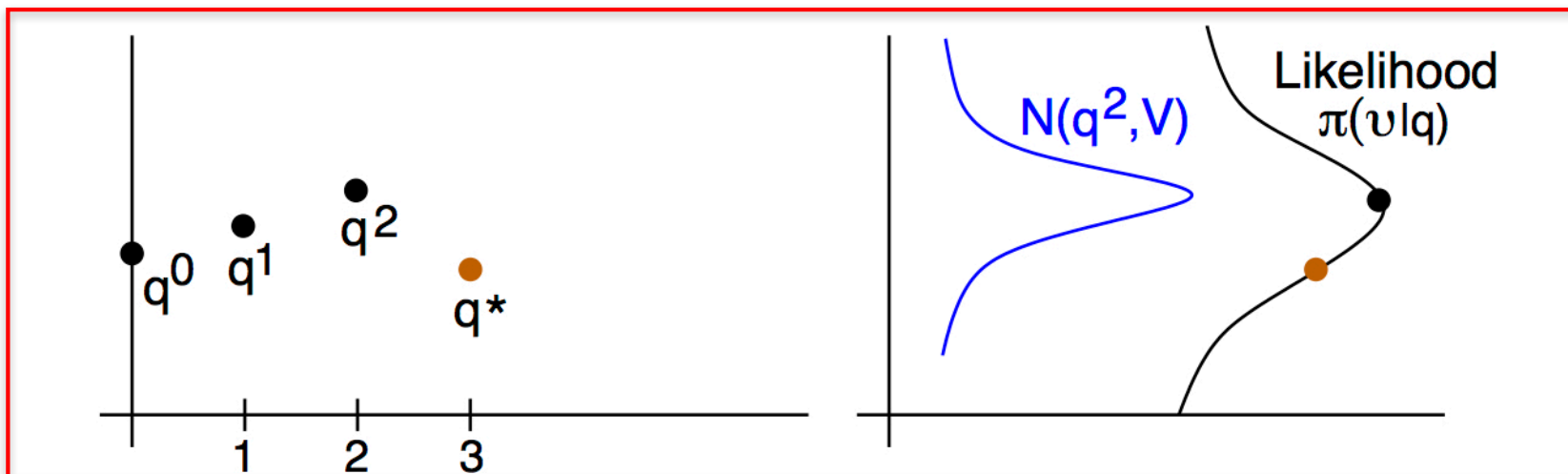
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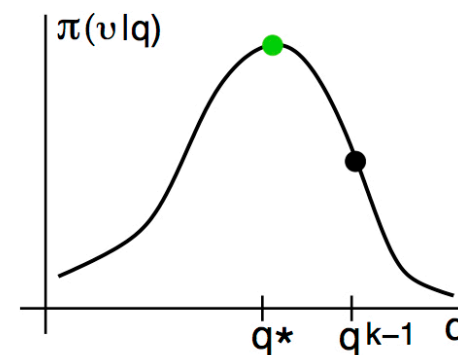
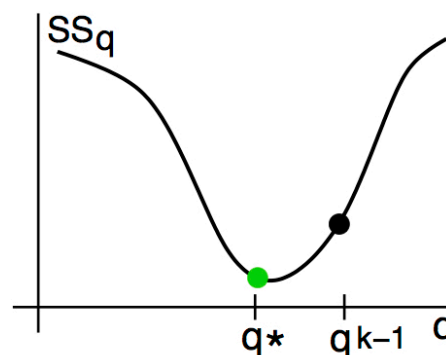
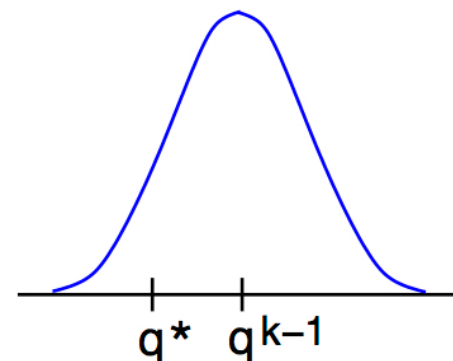
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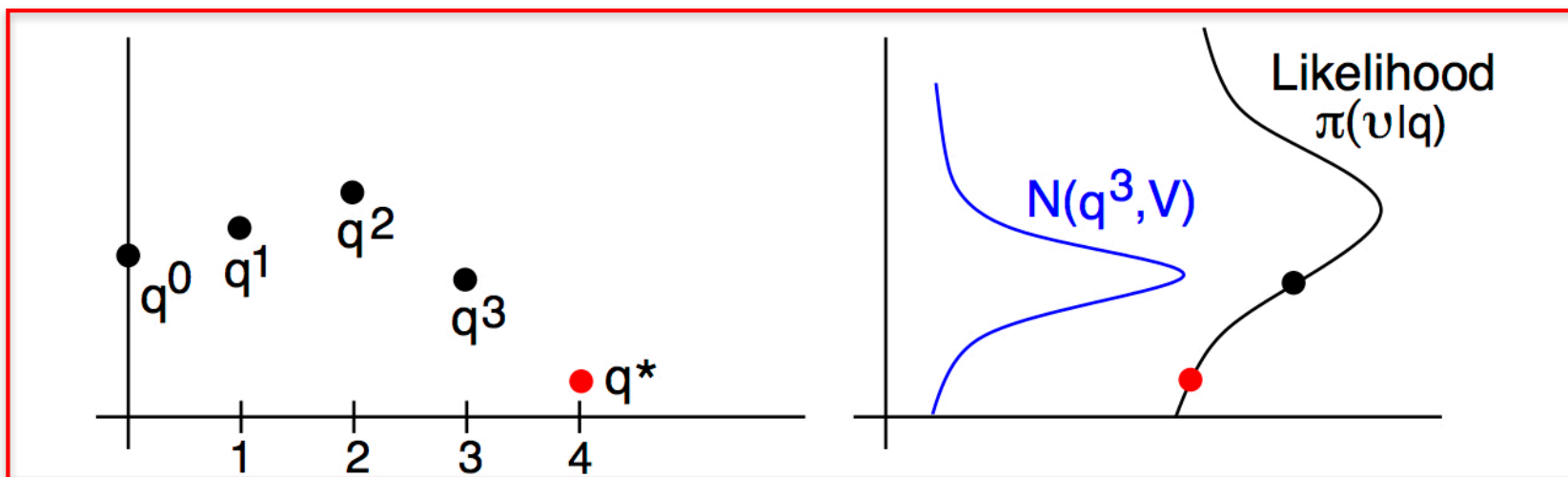
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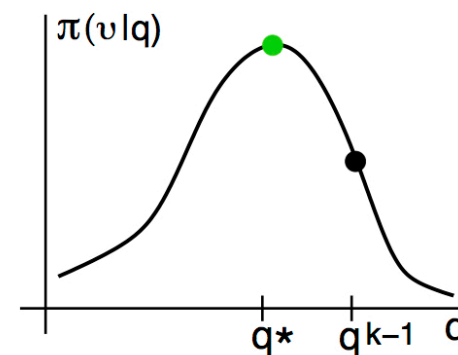
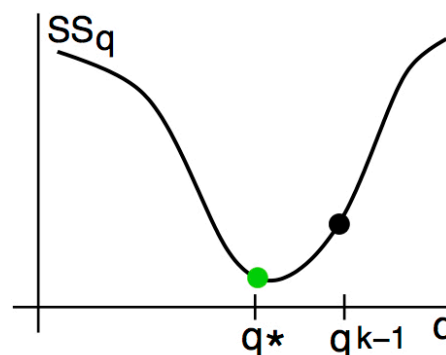
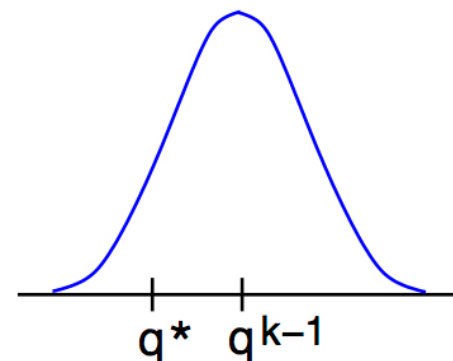
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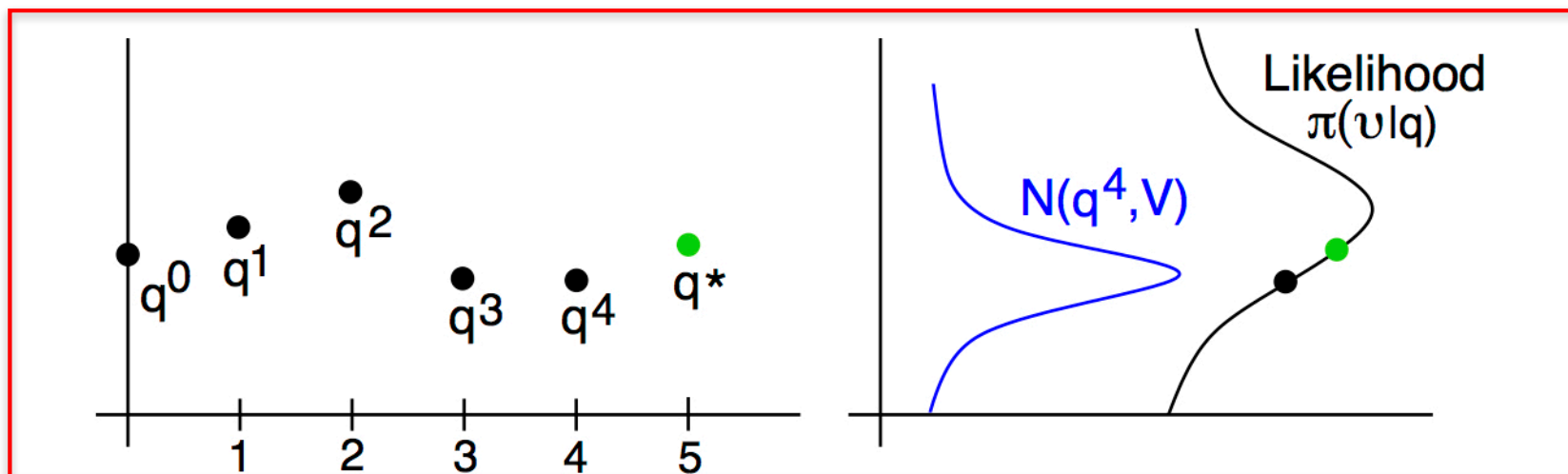
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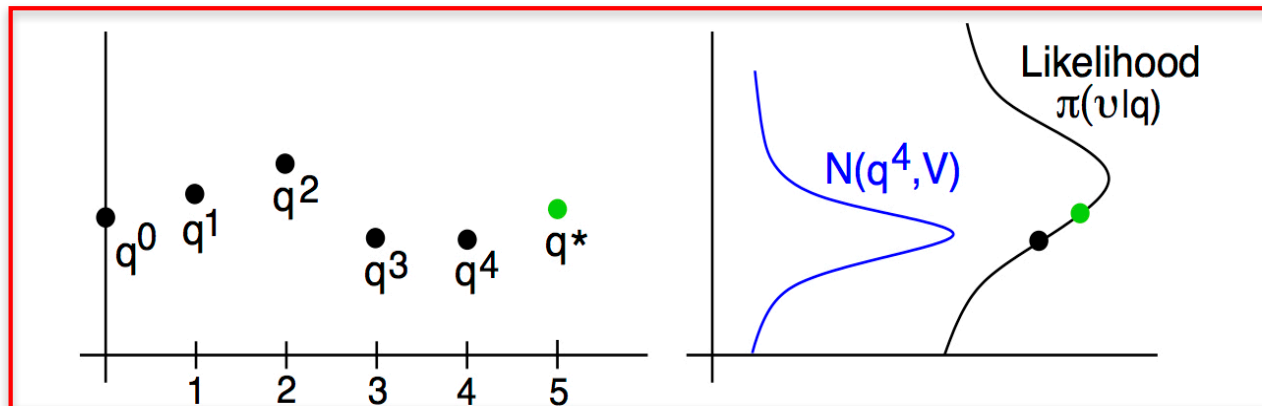
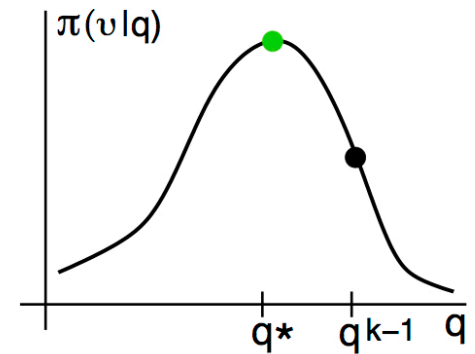
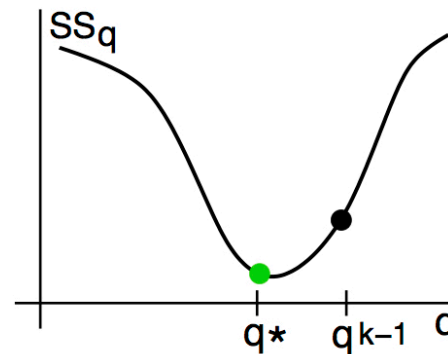
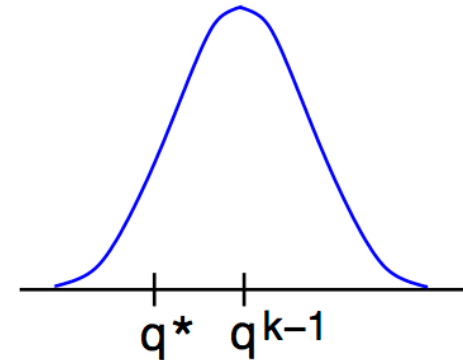
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**Note:**

- Delayed Rejection:  
Shrink proposal:  $\gamma V$
- Adaptive Metropolis:  
Update proposal as  
samples are accepted

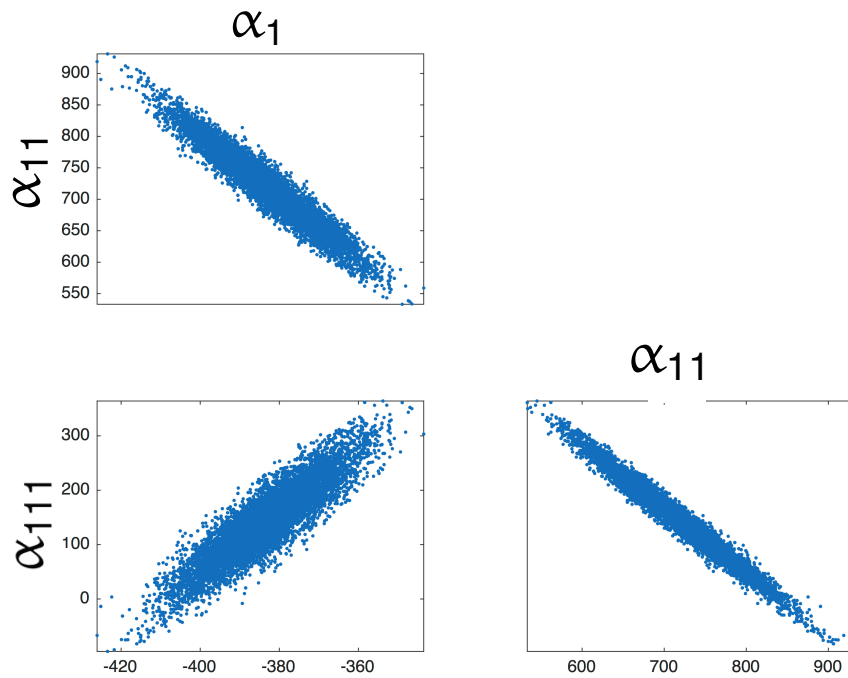
# Delayed Rejection Adaptive Metropolis (DRAM)

**Example:** Helmholtz energy with 3 parameters

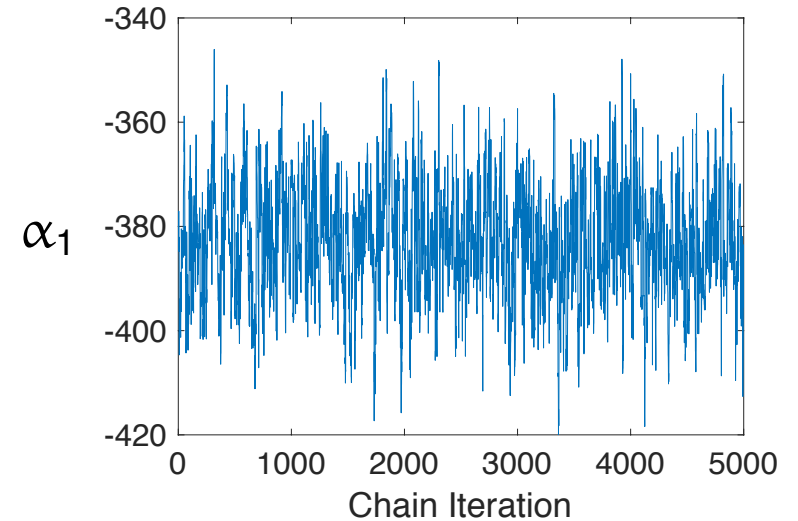
$$\psi(P, q) = \underline{\alpha_1} P^2 + \underline{\alpha_{11}} P^4 + \underline{\alpha_{111}} P^6$$

**Note:** Similar results for  $\alpha_{11}$  and  $\alpha_{111}$

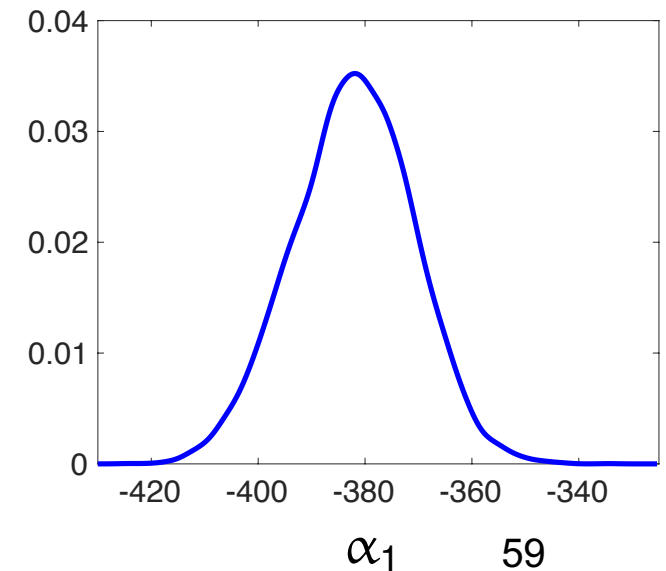
**Pairwise Plots:** Quantify correlation



Chain for  $\alpha_1$  with 5000 samples



Marginal density for  $\alpha_1$



# Bayesian Model Calibration – HIV Example

**Model:**  $\dot{T}_1 = \lambda_1 - d_1 T_1 - (1 - \varepsilon)k_1 VT_1$

$$\dot{T}_2 = \lambda_2 - d_2 T_2 - (1 - f\varepsilon)k_2 VT_2$$

$$\dot{T}_1^* = (1 - \varepsilon)k_1 VT_1 - \delta T_1^* - m_1 ET_1^*$$

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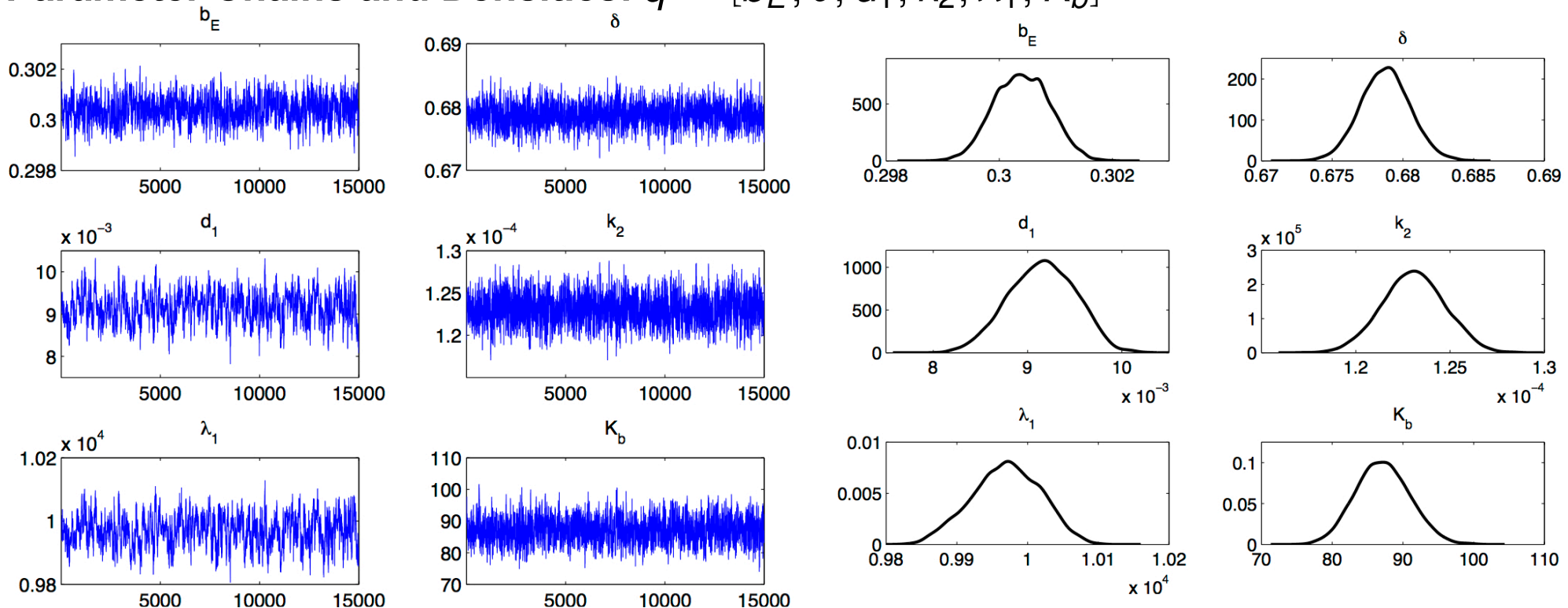
$$\dot{V} = N_T \delta (T_1^* + T_2^*) - cV - [(1 - \varepsilon)\rho_1 k_1 T_1 + (1 - f\varepsilon)\rho_2 k_2 T_2] V$$

$$\dot{E} = \lambda_E + \frac{b_E (T_1^* + T_2^*)}{T_1^* + T_2^* + K_b} E - \frac{d_E (T_1^* + T_2^*)}{T_1^* + T_2^* + K_d} E - \delta_E E$$

**Verification: Why do we trust results???**

- Compare results from different algorithms; e.g., DRAM and Gibbs

**Parameter Chains and Densities:**  $q = [b_E, \delta, d_1, k_2, \lambda_1, K_b]$





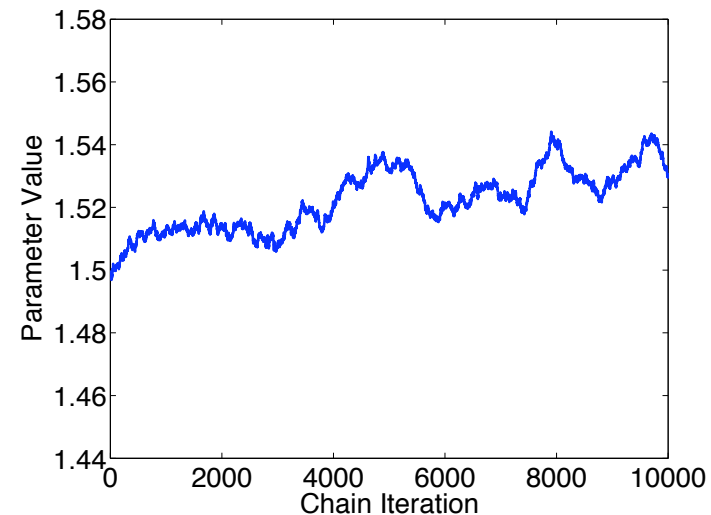
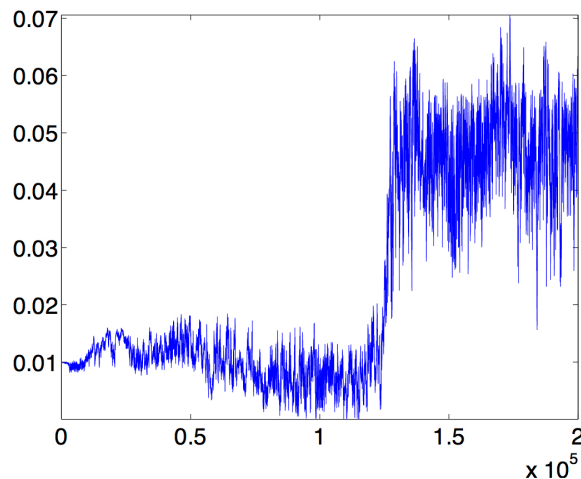
# Bayesian Inference: Advantages and Disadvantages

## Advantages:

- Advantageous over frequentist inference when data is limited.
- Directly provides parameter densities, which can subsequently be propagated to construct response uncertainties.
- Can be used to infer non-identifiable parameters if priors are tight.
- Provides natural framework for experimental design.

## Disadvantages:

- More computationally intense than frequentist inference.
- Can be difficult to confirm that chains have burned-in or converged.



# Delayed Rejection Adaptive Metropolis (DRAM)

## Websites:

- [http://www4.ncsu.edu/~rsmith/UQ\\_TIA/CHAPTER8/index\\_chapter8.html](http://www4.ncsu.edu/~rsmith/UQ_TIA/CHAPTER8/index_chapter8.html)
- <http://helios.fmi.fi/~lainema/mcmc/>

# Delayed Rejection Adaptive Metropolis (DRAM)

We fit the Monod model

$$y = \theta_1 \frac{1}{\theta_2 + 1} + \epsilon, \quad \epsilon \sim N(0, I\sigma^2)$$

to observations

```
x (mg / L COD): 28  55  83  110  138  225  375
y (1 / h):      0.053 0.060 0.112 0.105 0.099 0.122 0.125
```

First clear some variables from possible previous runs.

```
clear data model options
```

Next, create a data structure for the observations and control variables. Typically one could make a structure data that contains fields xdata and ydata.

```
data.xdata = [28  55  83  110  138  225  375]'; % x (mg / L COD)
data.ydata = [0.053 0.060 0.112 0.105 0.099 0.122 0.125]'; % y (1 / h)
```

Construct model

```
modelfun = @(x,theta) theta(1)*x./(theta(2)+x);
ssfun = @(theta,data) sum((data.ydata-modelfun(data.xdata,theta)).^2);
model.ssfun = ssfun;
model.sigma2 = 0.01^2;
```

# Delayed Rejection Adaptive Metropolis (DRAM)

## Input parameters

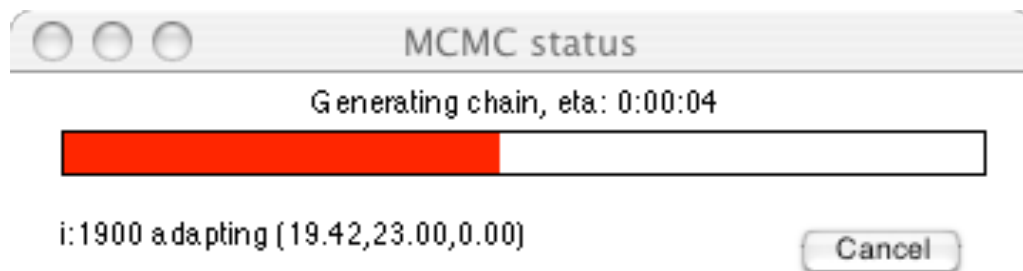
```
params = {  
  {'theta1', tmin(1), 0}  
  {'theta2', tmin(2), 0} };
```

## and set options

```
options.nsimu = 4000;  
options.updatesigma = 1;  
options.qcov = tcov;
```

## Run code

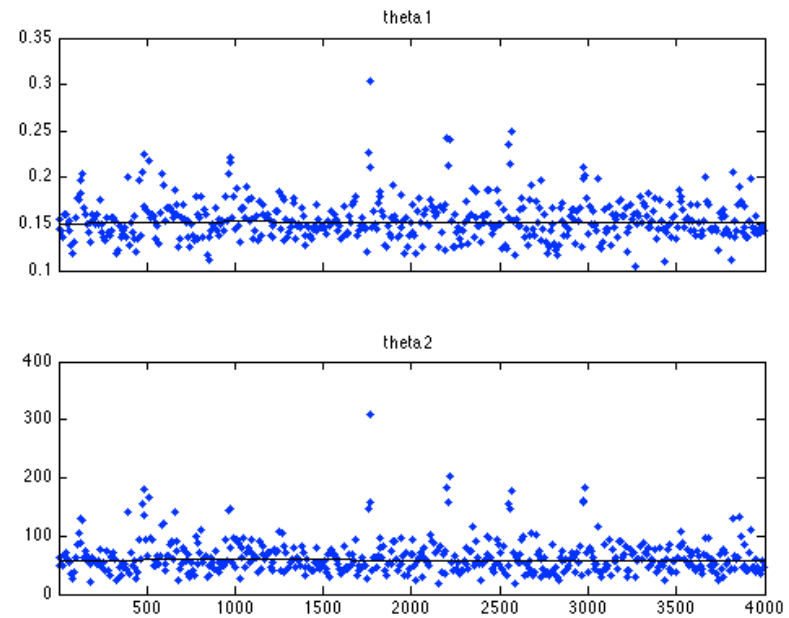
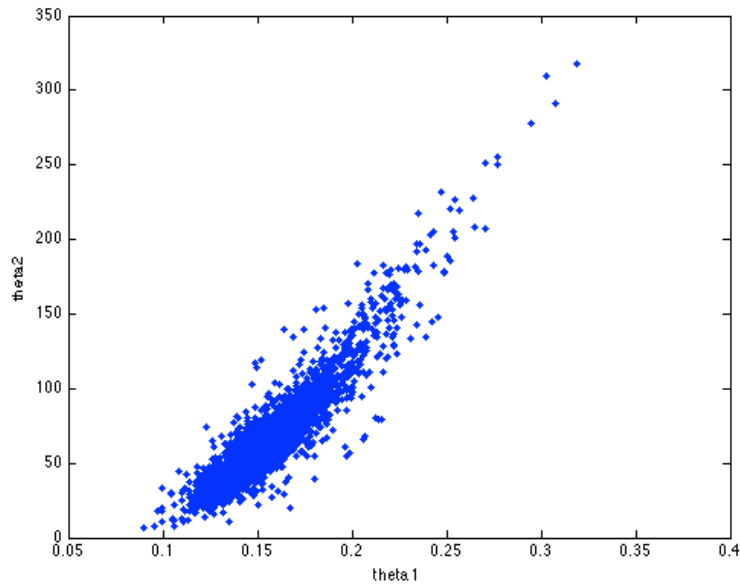
```
[res,chain,s2chain] = mcmcrun(model,data,params,options);
```



# Delayed Rejection Adaptive Metropolis (DRAM)

Plot results

```
figure(2); clf  
mcmcplot(chain,[],res,'chainpanel');  
figure(3); clf  
mcmcplot(chain,[],res,'pairs');
```



## Examples:

- Several available in MCMC\_EXAMPLES
- ODE solver illustrated in algae example

# Delayed Rejection Adaptive Metropolis (DRAM)

Construct credible and prediction intervals

```
figure(5); clf
```

```
out = mcmcpred(res,chain,[],x,modelfun);
```

```
mcmcpredplot(out);
```

```
hold on
```

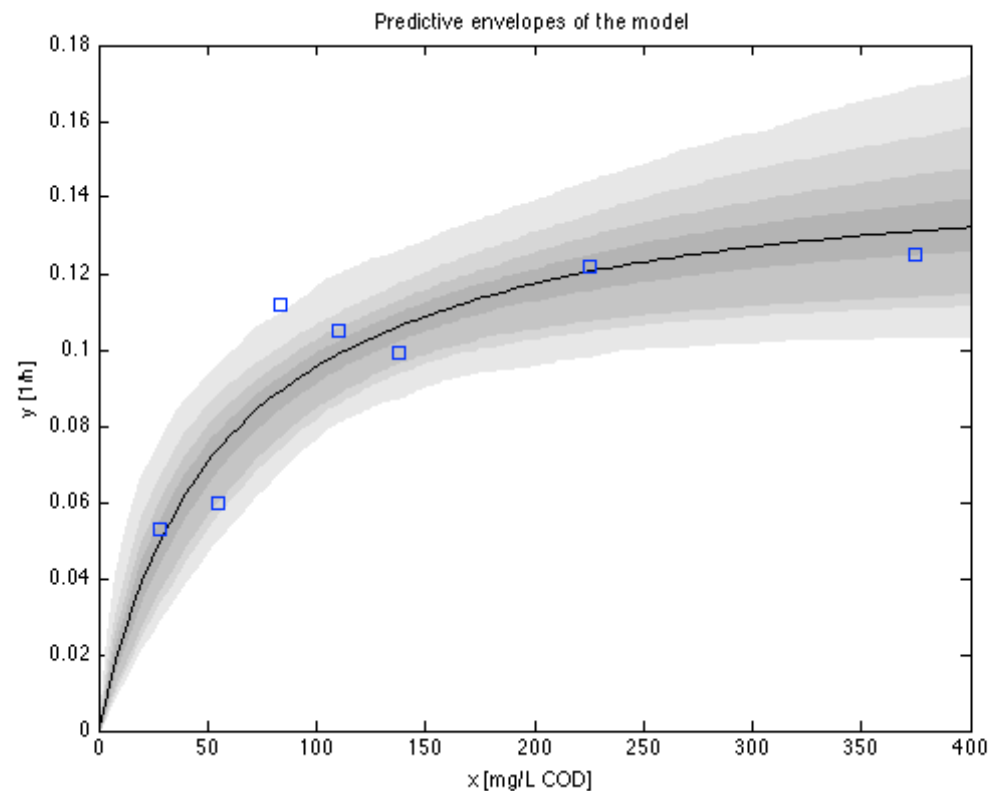
```
plot(data.xdata,data.ydata,'s'); % add data points to the plot
```

```
xlabel('x [mg/L COD]');
```

```
ylabel('y [1/h]');
```

```
hold off
```

```
title('Predictive envelopes of the model')
```



# DRAM for SIR Example

## SIR Model:

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = \delta N - \delta S - \underline{\gamma k I S} \quad , \quad S(0) = S_0 \quad \text{Susceptible}$$

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \underline{\gamma k I S} - (r + \delta)I \quad , \quad I(0) = I_0 \quad \text{Infectious}$$

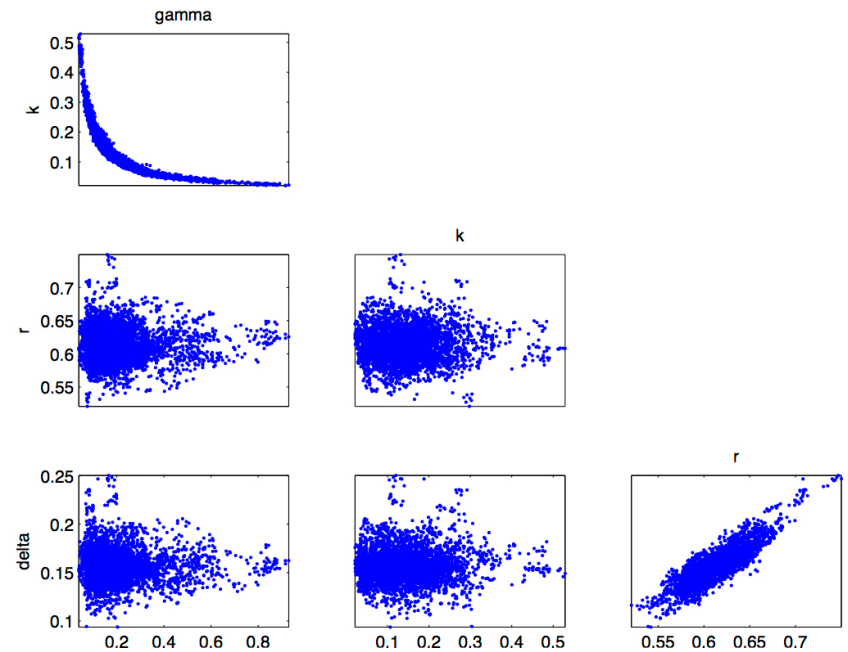
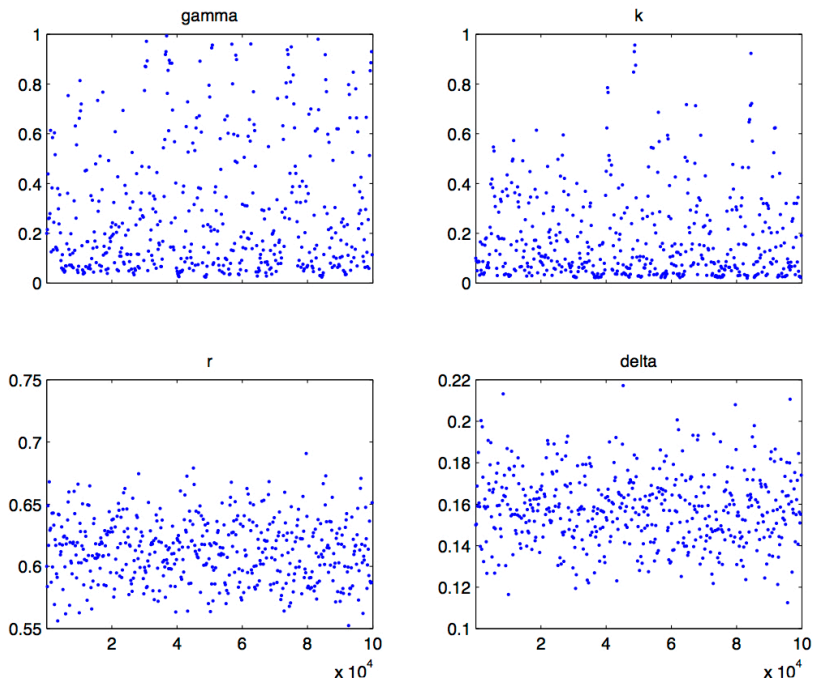
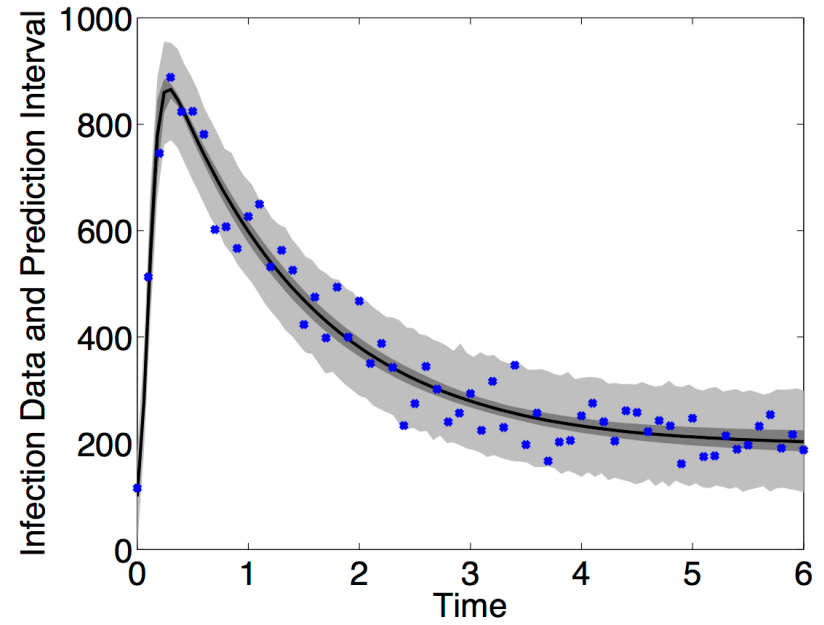
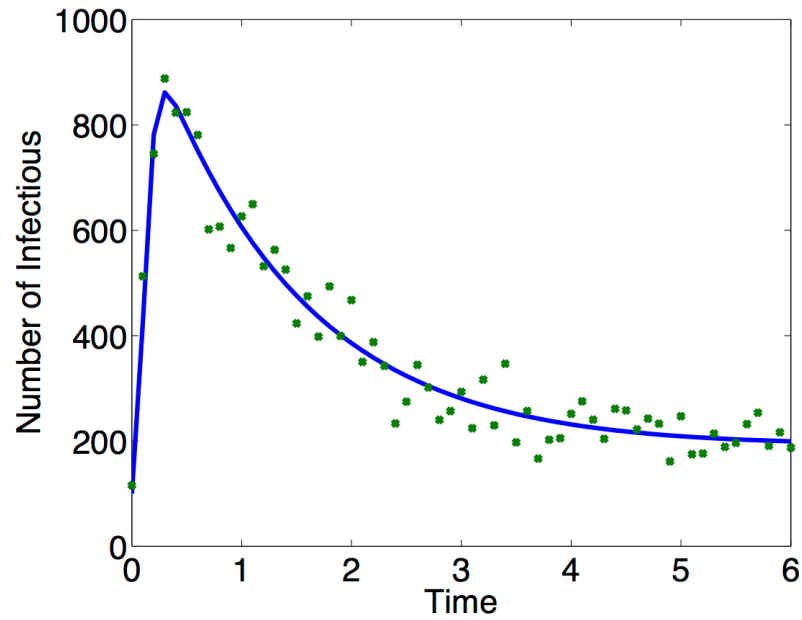
$$\frac{dR}{dt} = rI - \delta R \quad , \quad R(0) = R_0 \quad \text{Recovered}$$

**Note:** Parameter set  $q = [\gamma, k, r, \delta]$  is not identifiable

## Website

- <http://helios.fmi.fi/~lainema/mcmc/>
- <http://www4.ncsu.edu/~rsmith/>

# DRAM for SIR Example: Results





# SIR Example

## 3 Parameter SIR Model:

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = \delta N - \delta S - \gamma IS \quad , \quad S(0) = S_0 \quad \text{Susceptible}$$

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \gamma IS - (r + \delta)I \quad , \quad I(0) = I_0 \quad \text{Infectious}$$

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## Note:

- Run the posted 4 parameter code and experiment with the chain length.
- Now run the 3 parameter model and compare your results.

## Website:

- <http://www4.ncsu.edu/~rsmith/DATAWORKS18/>