

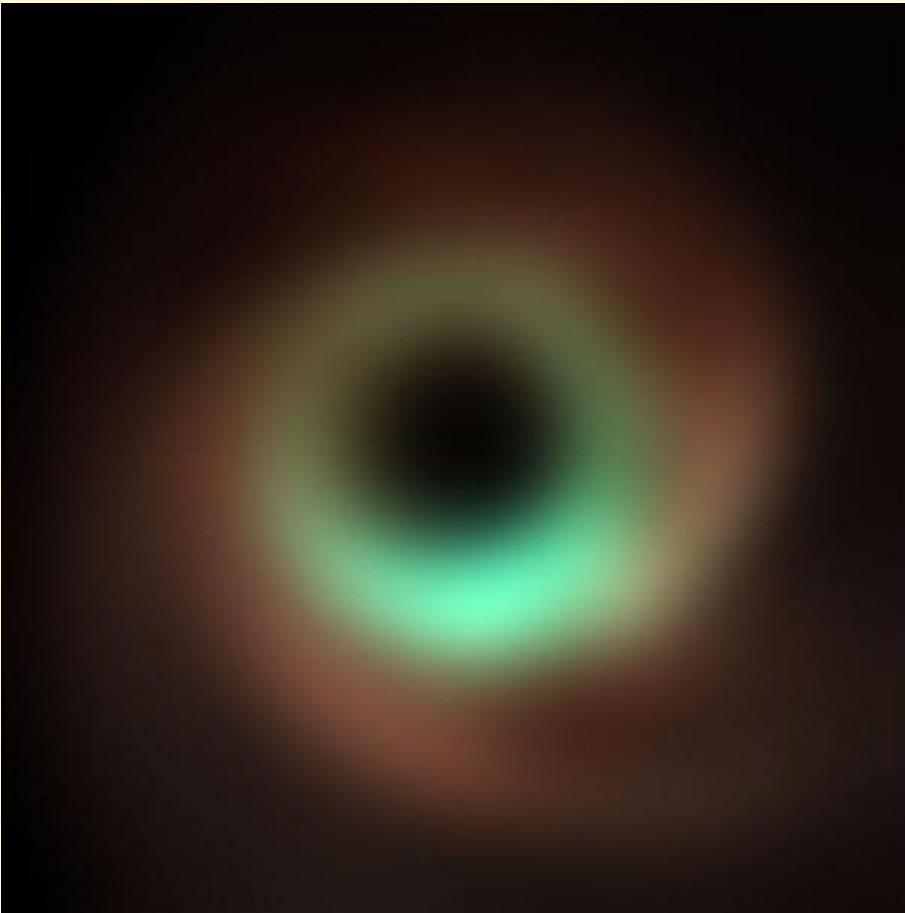
A futuristic control room with large screens displaying scientific data and a central floor display. The room is dimly lit, with light from the screens illuminating the silhouettes of people working at consoles. The screens show various scientific visualizations, including a Bohr-style atomic model, a diagram of a neural network labeled 'Deep Learning Network', a large black hole with accretion disks, and a complex network graph. The central floor display shows a similar black hole visualization. The overall atmosphere is high-tech and scientific.

# Faster Models, Faster Answers

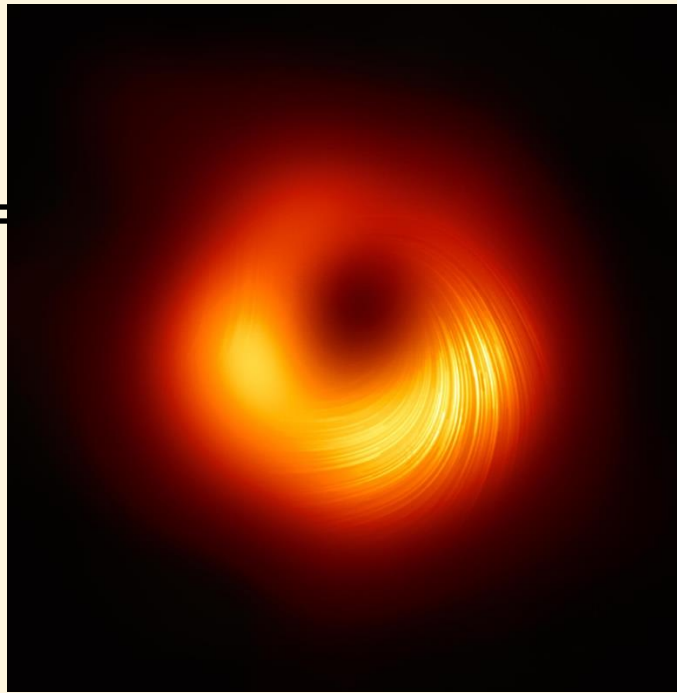
Discover Emulation for your Workflow

PyData Southampton 15<sup>th</sup> October 2024

# Astronomy



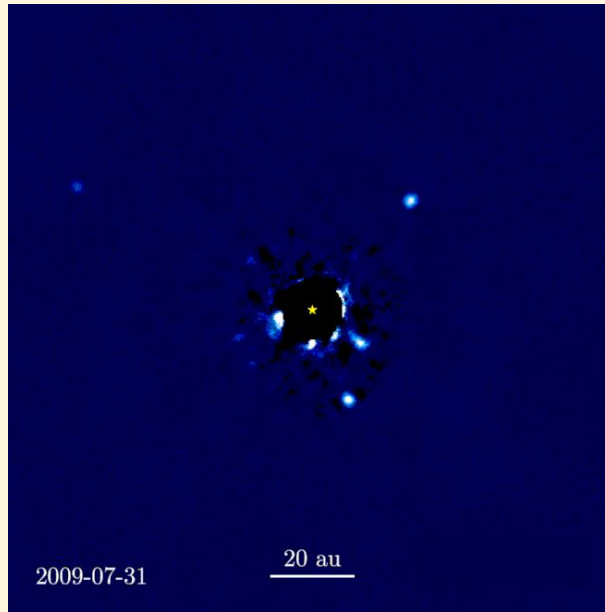
Colour Composite of Sagittarius A\*  
and M87



Sagittarius A\*



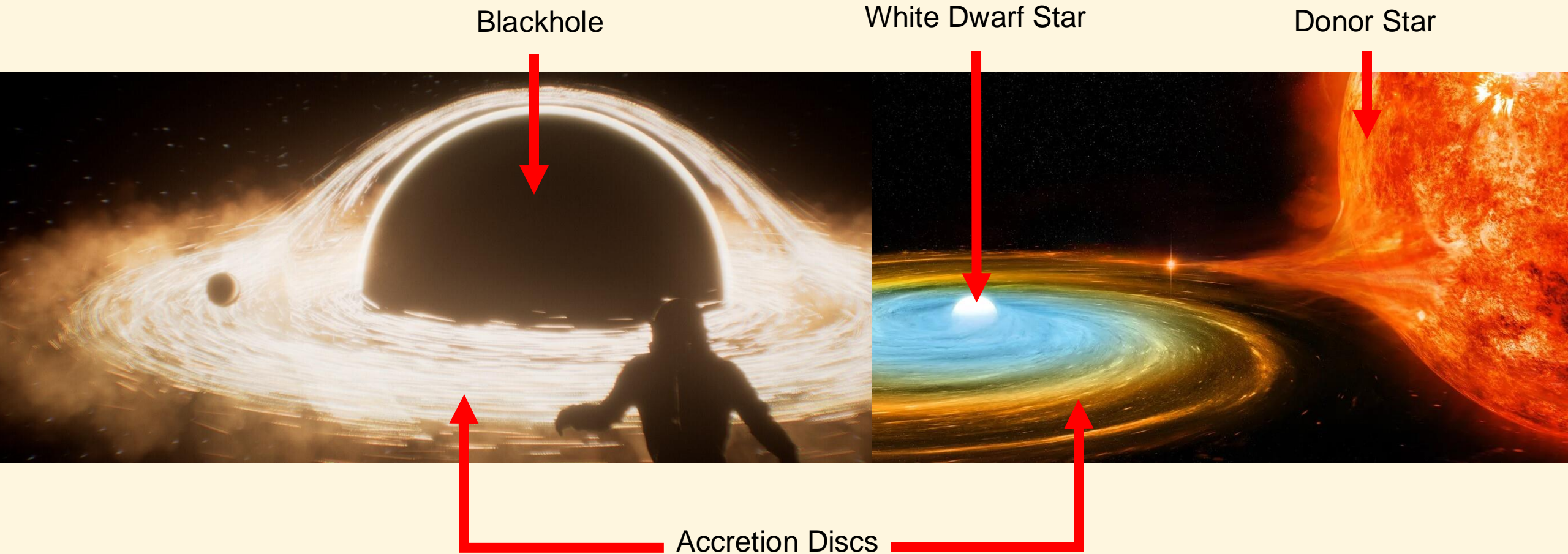
The Antennae Galaxies



Exoplanet – Artistic Impression



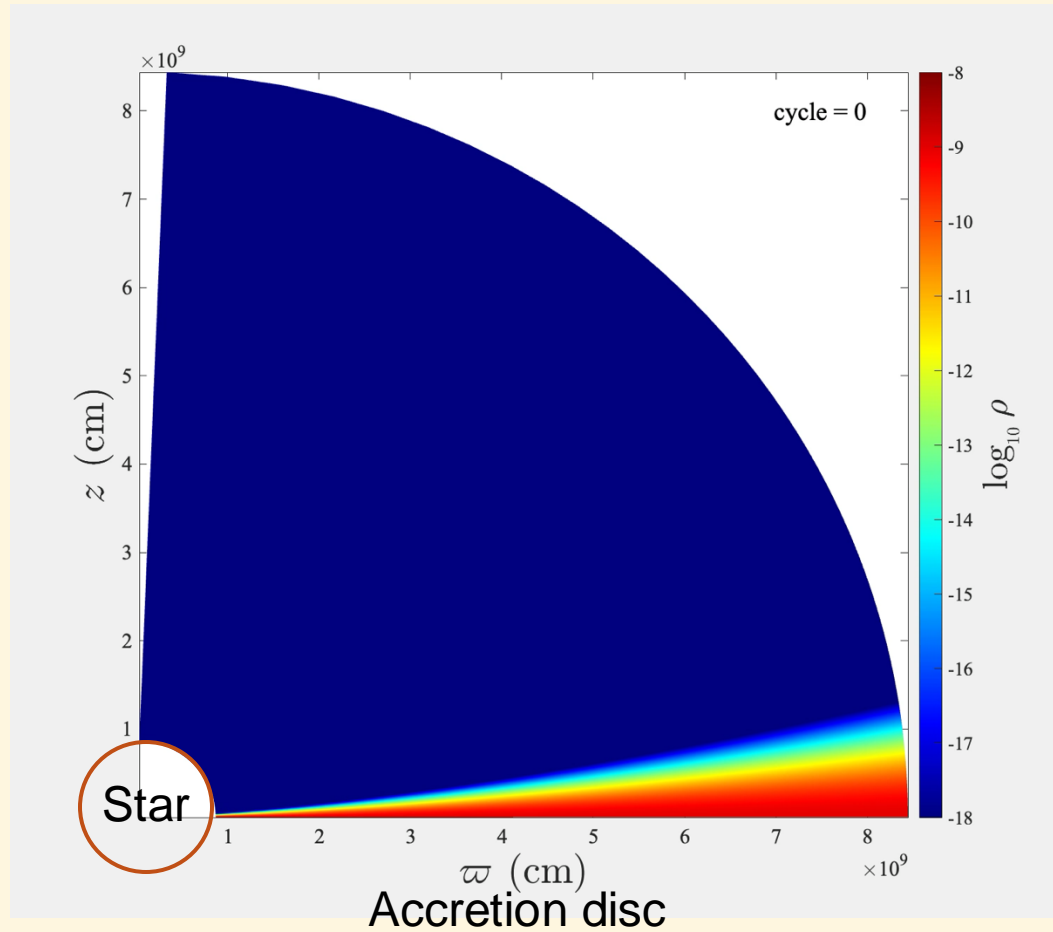
# Accretion Wind Modelling



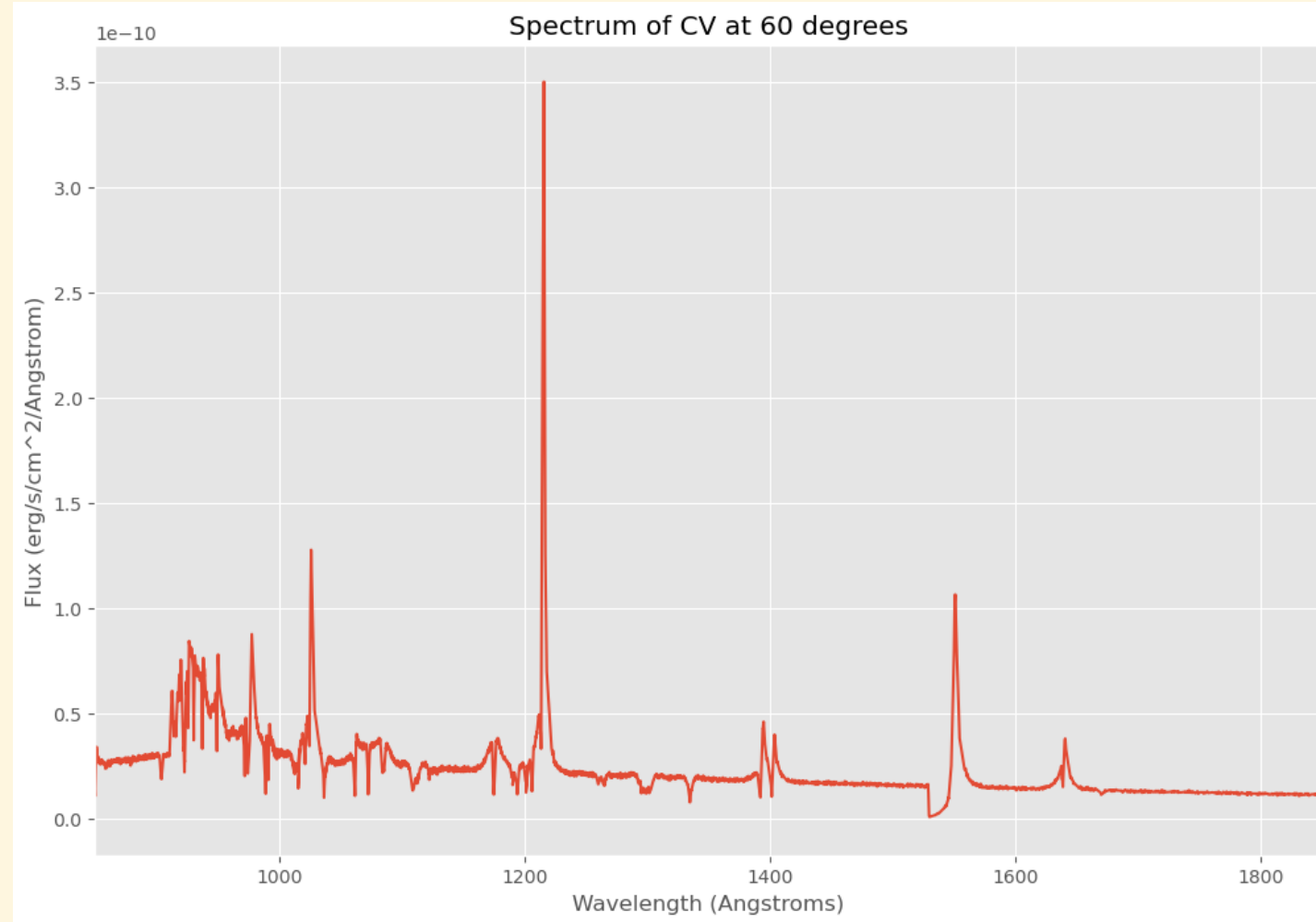
# Scientific Modelling



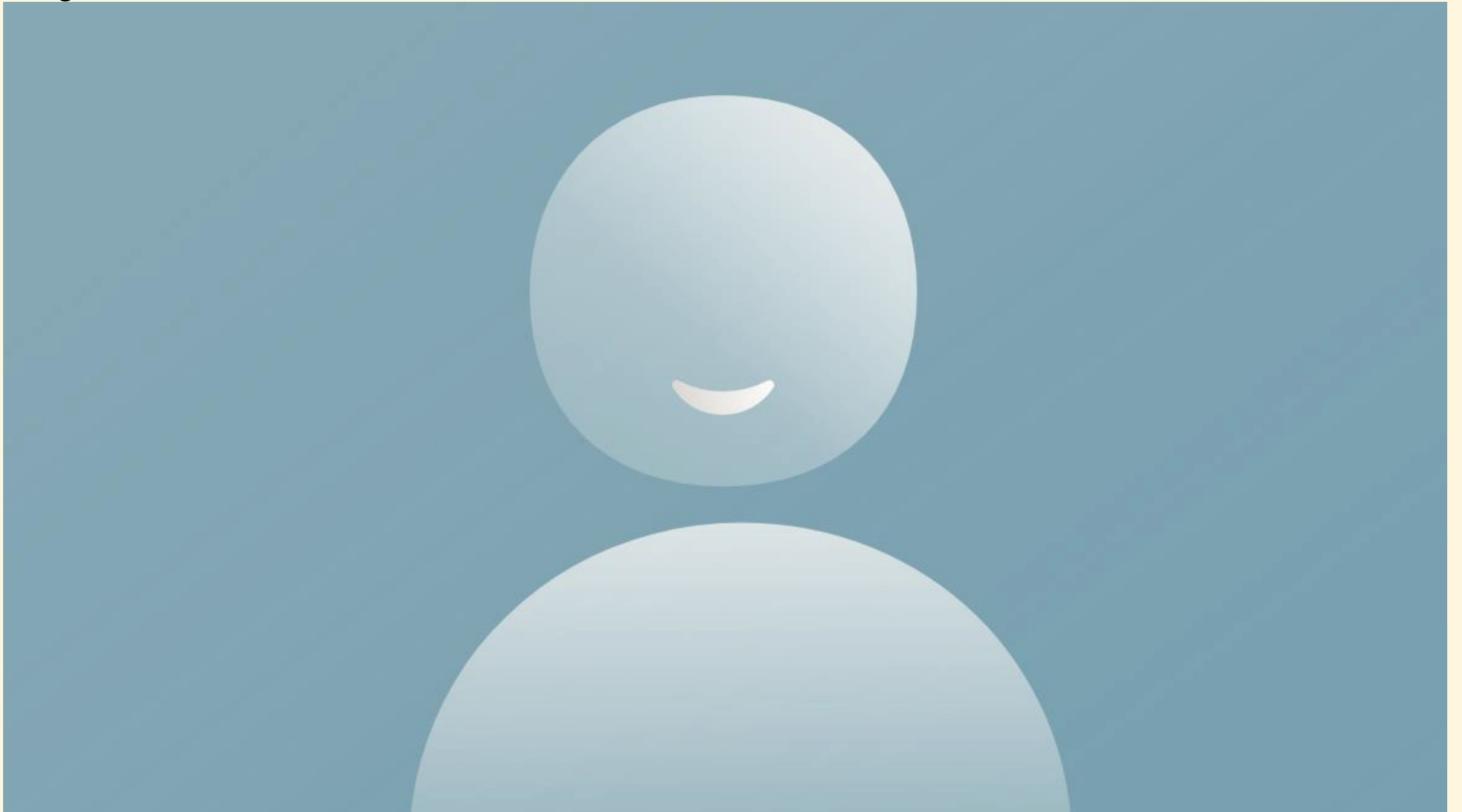
MHD 2D Wind Quadrant Slice



Monte-Carlo Simulations

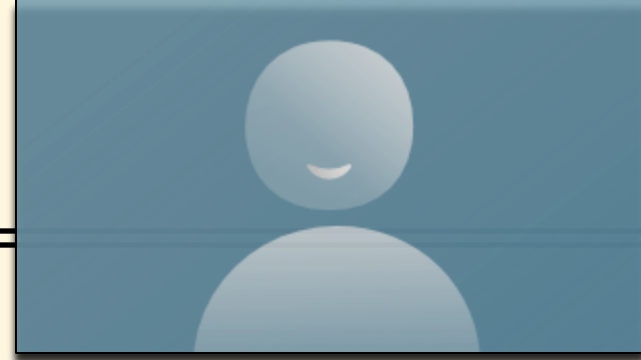


Running a Simulation...



# Faster Simulations w/ Emulation

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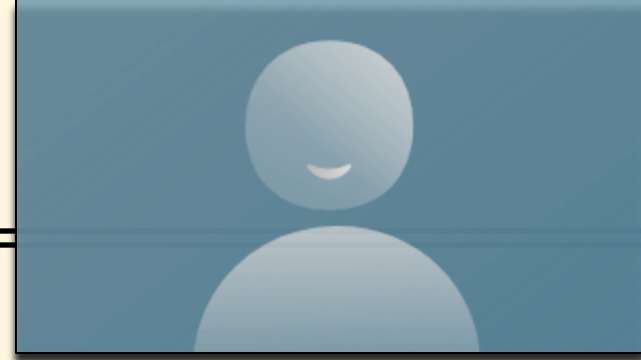
**Emulation** /,em.jə'leɪ.jən/ (n)

*A machine learning method designed to approximate the behaviour of a more complex and expensive system.*

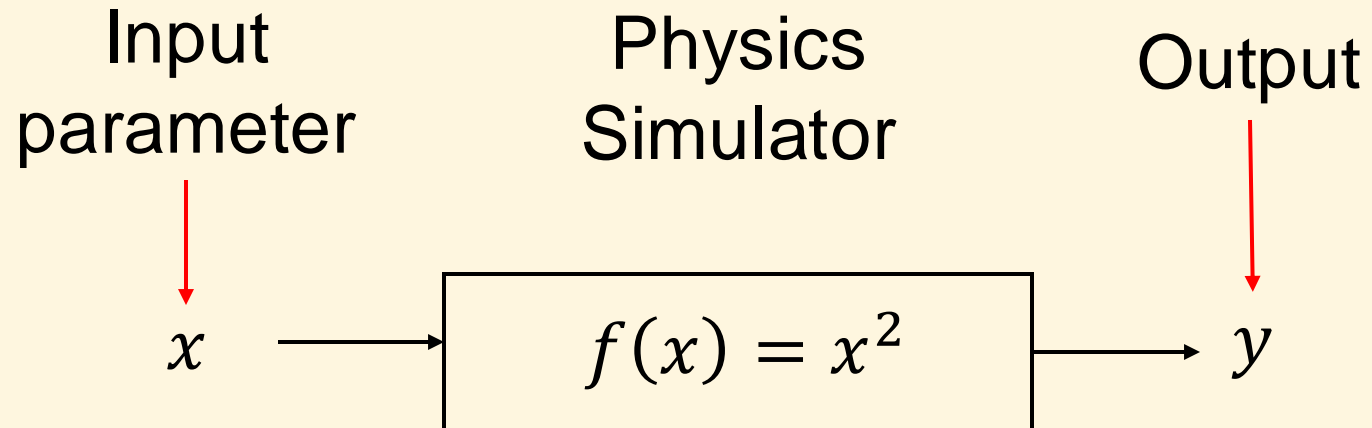
Key Benefits:

- Much faster computation times
- Simulations can be used for real-time applications
- Can perform inference with high-dimensional simulations

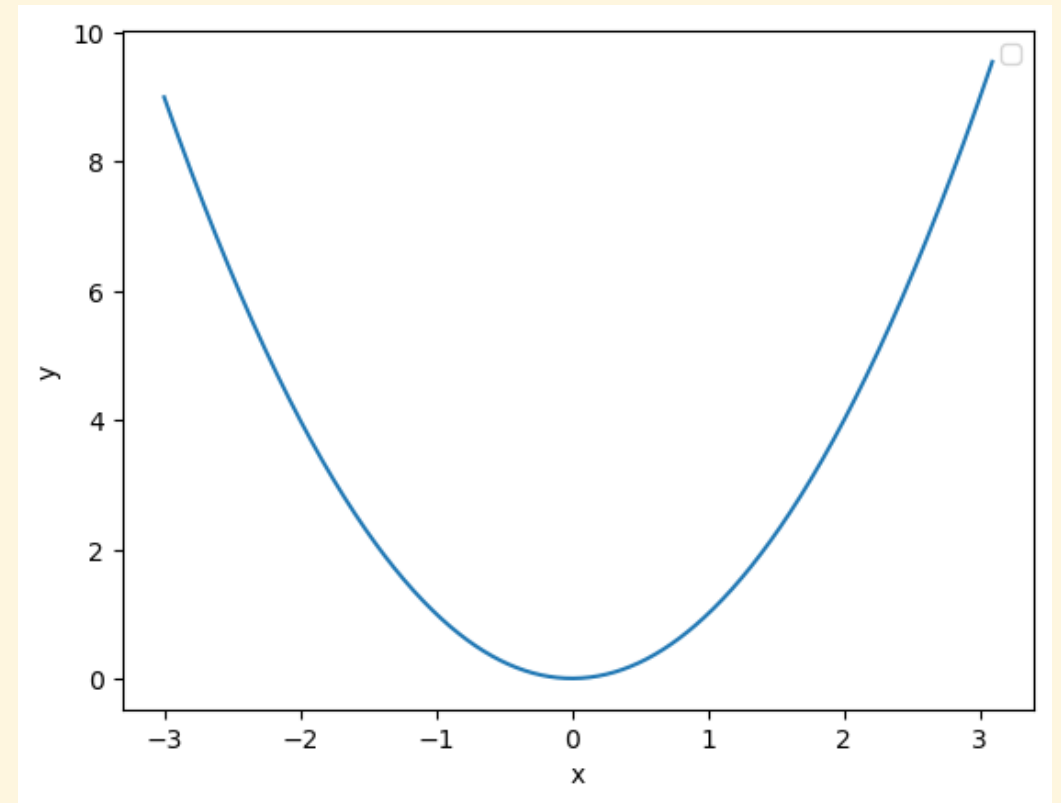
# The Simplest Emulator



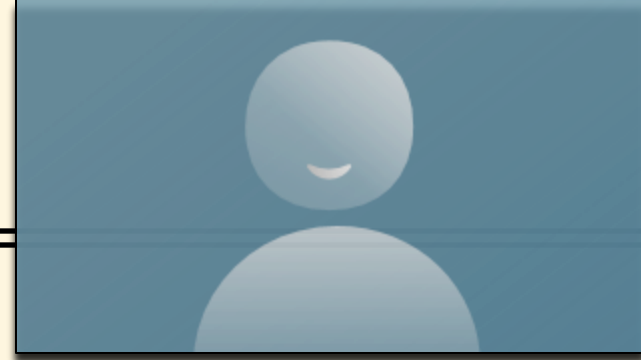
**A linear interpolator ...** Emulators in their simplest forms can be reduced to basic interpolators



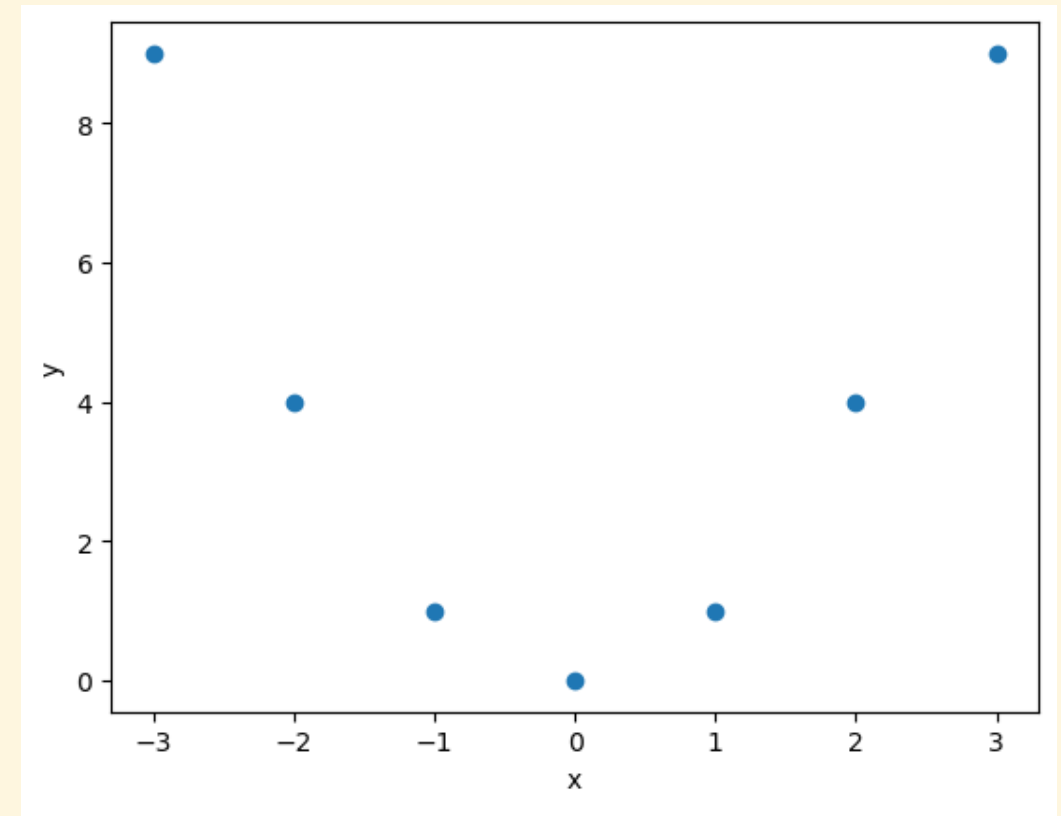
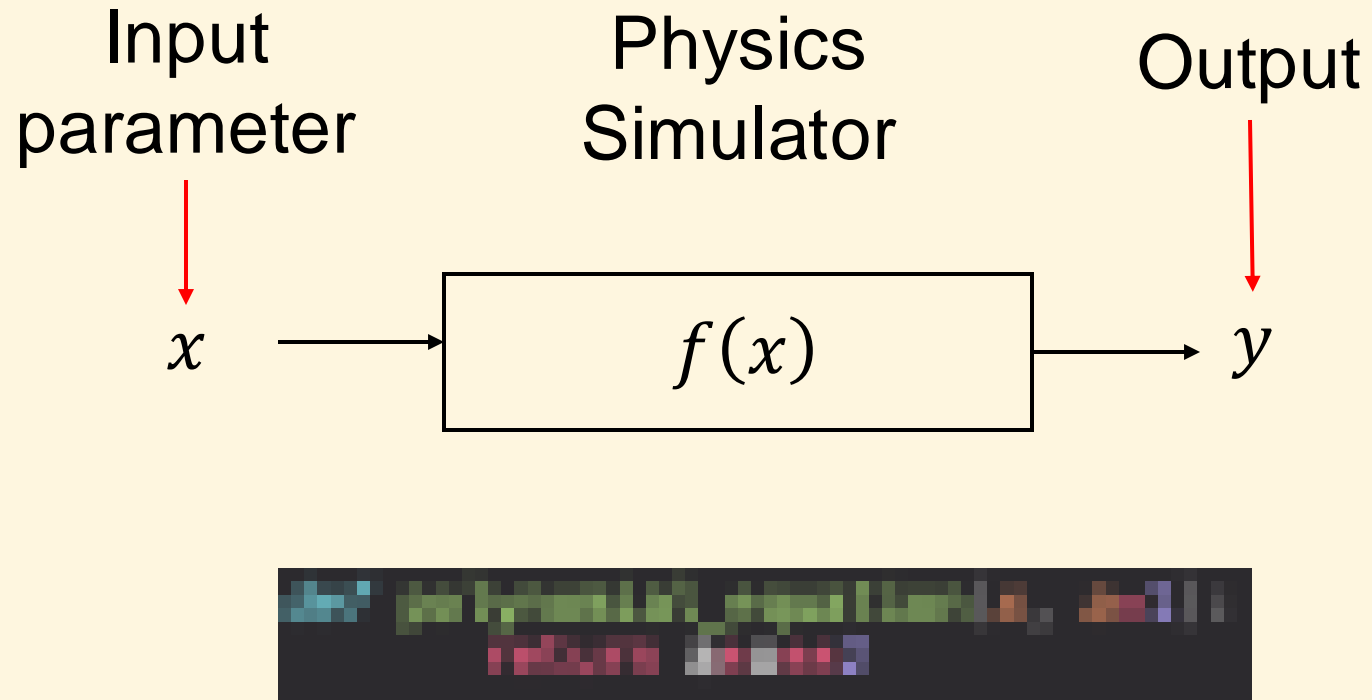
```
def quadratic_equation(x, a=1):  
    return a*x**2
```



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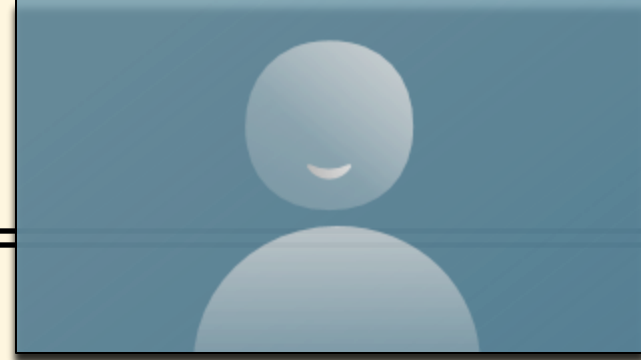


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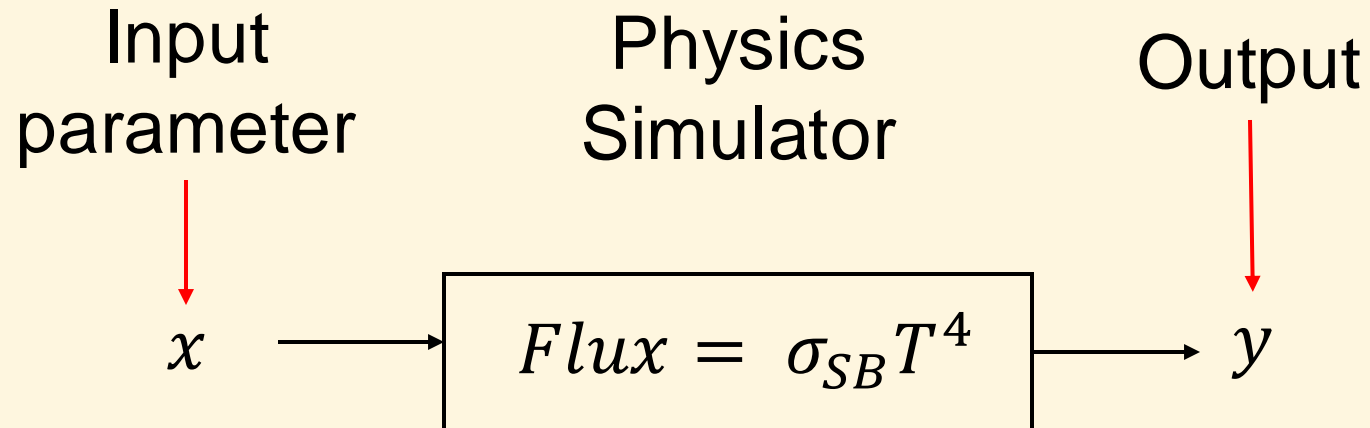




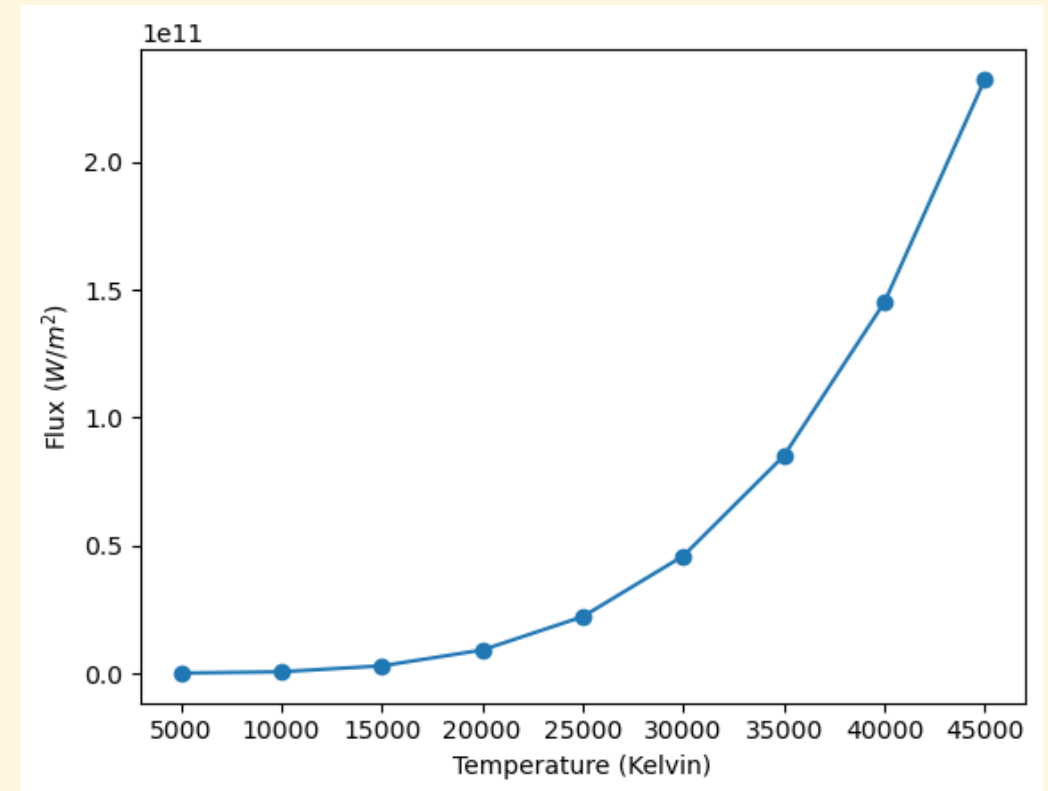
# The Simplest Astro Emulator



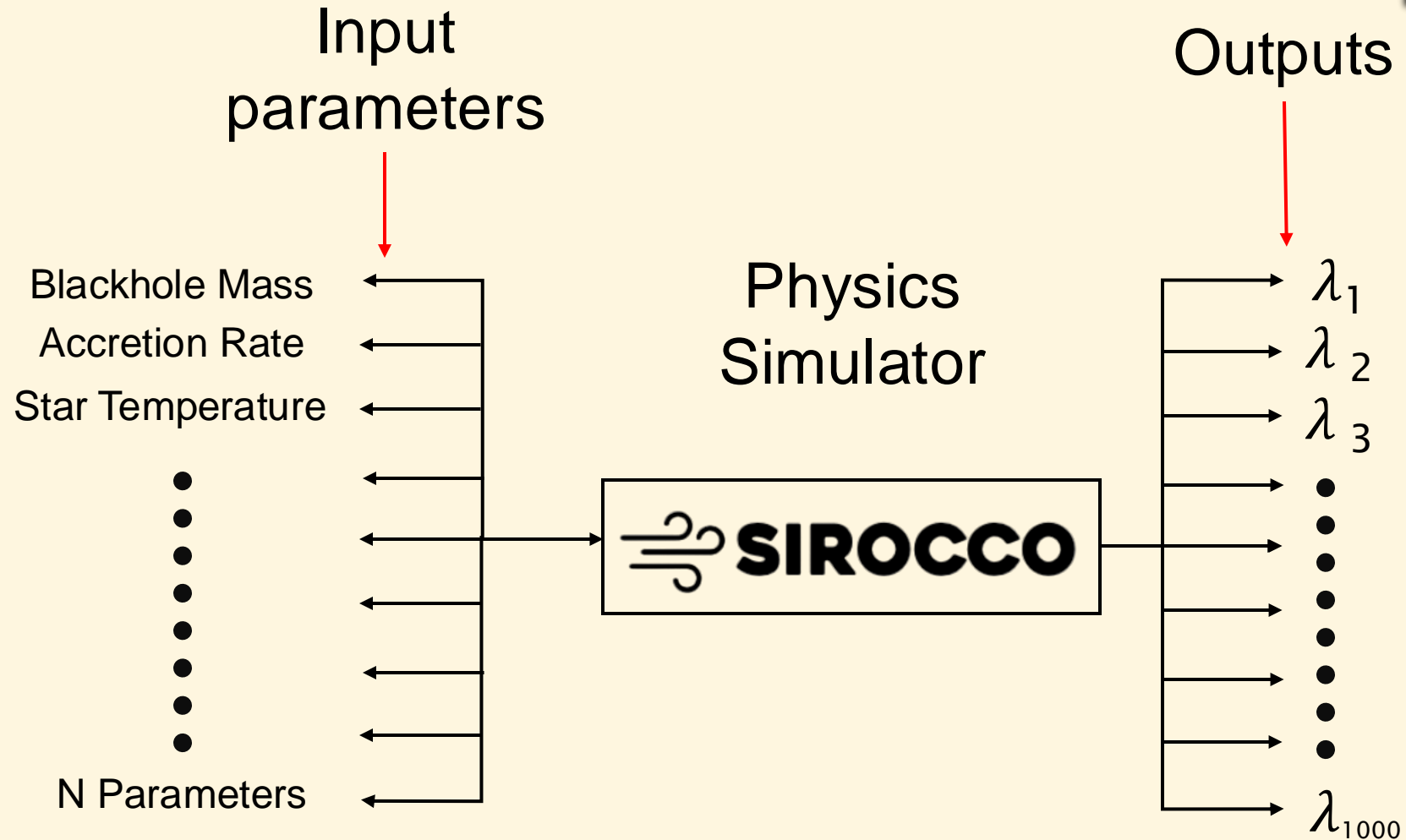
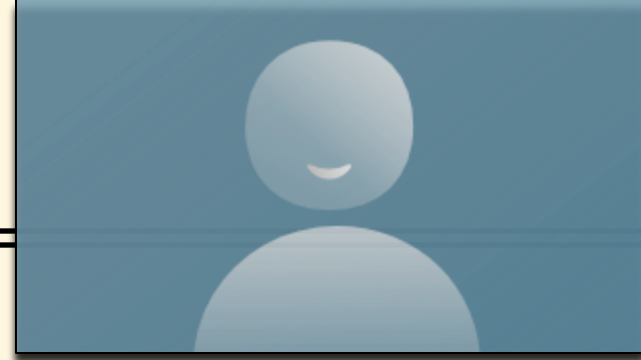
**A linear interpolator ...** Emulators in their simplest forms can be reduced to basic interpolators



```
def star_flux(temperature_K):  
    sb_constant = 5.67e-8 # W/m^2/K^4  
    return sb_constant * temperature_K**4
```

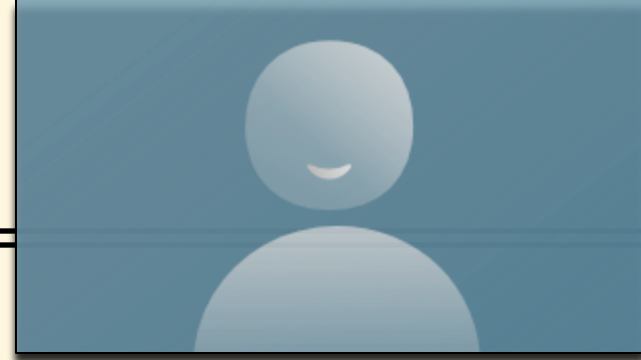


# A Complex Astro Emulator

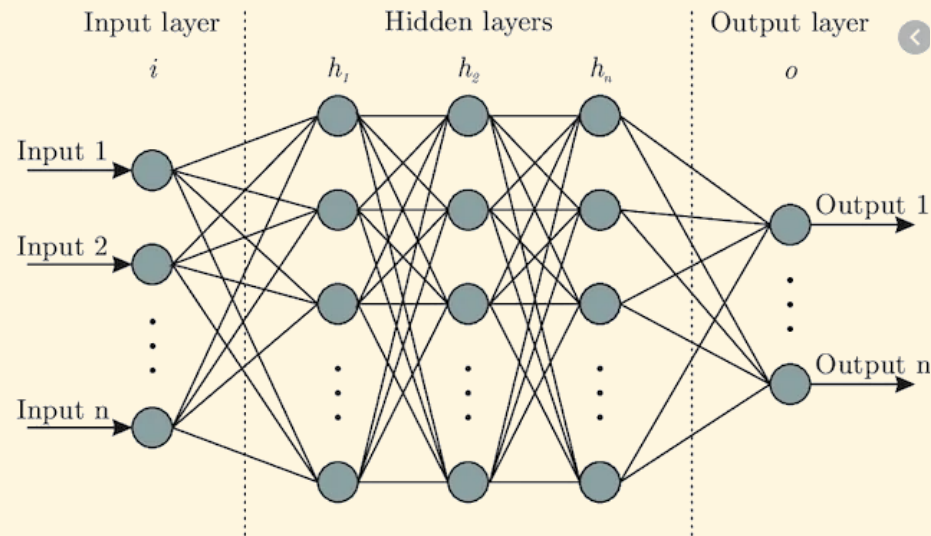


# Two Main Emulator Types

Emulators are commonly fancy interpolators using machine learning methods...



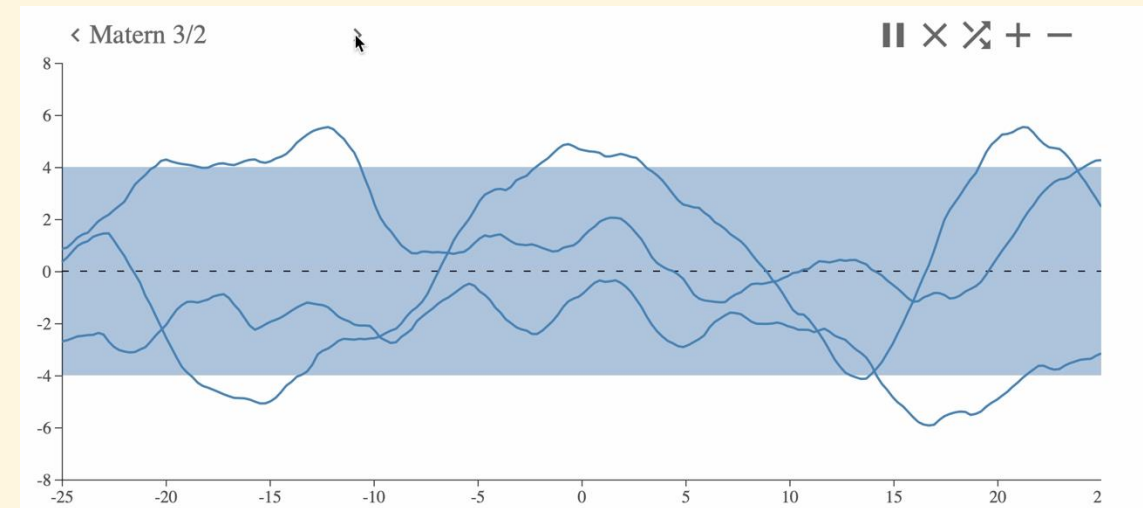
## Neural Networks



*Great for:*

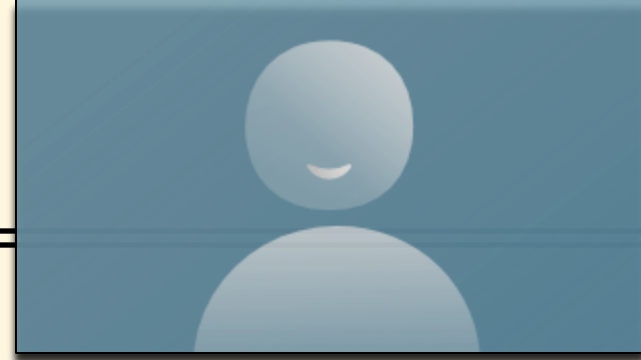
- Fast-Real Time Use
- Less expensive Simulations

## Gaussian Processes

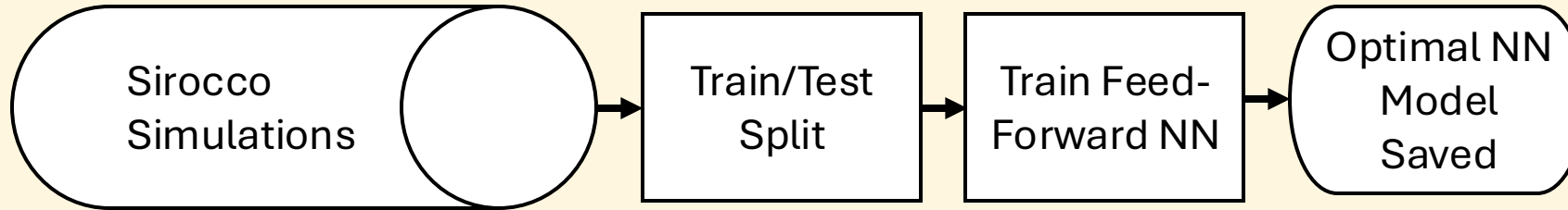


- Uncertainty Quantification
- Limited training Data

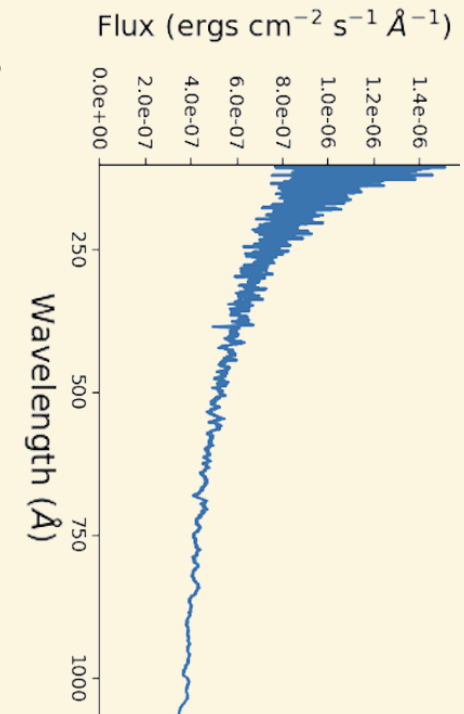
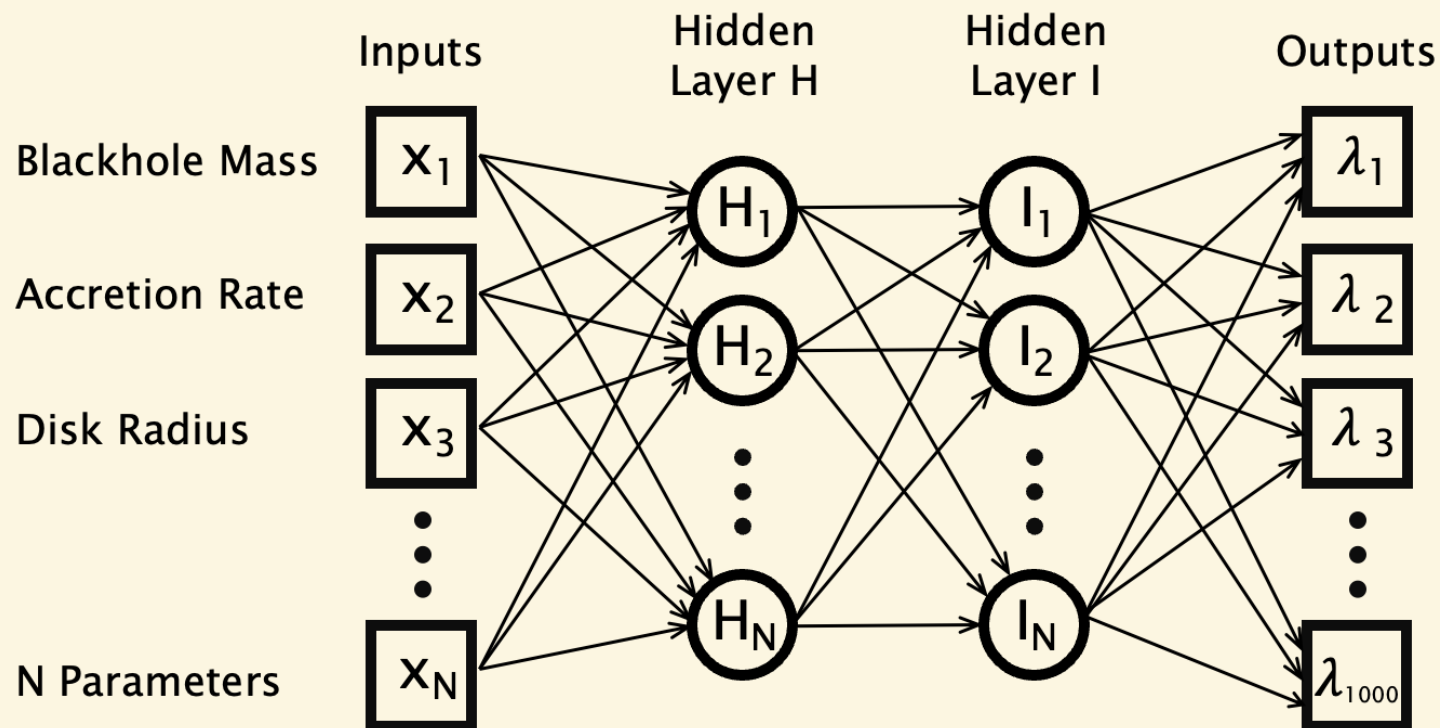
# Neural Network Emulators



Simple Training Emulator Workflow:



However,  
we can do better...

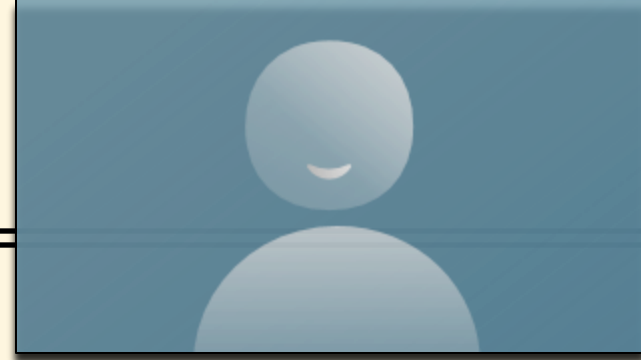




# NN Hyperparameter Selection

Optuna is a hyperparameter optimisation framework,  
Let's you vary parameters such as:

- The activation functions *(Relu, LeakyRelu etc)*
- The number of network layers *(Deep networks)*
- The number of neurons per layer *(Wide networks)*
- The optimiser *(Adam, AdamW etc)*
- The weight decay *(Regularisation)*
- Batching size

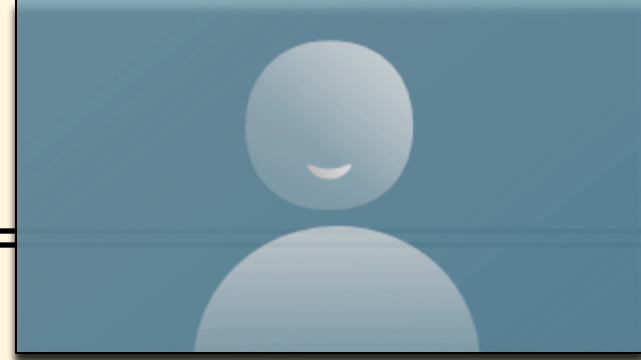


# Parameter Selection

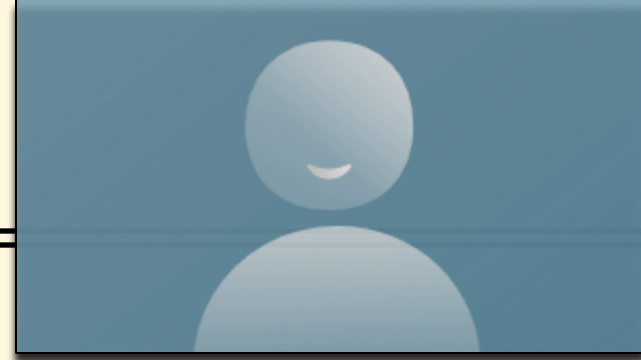
Sirocco contains upwards of 30 physical parameters, 3 values for each means a regular grid size of  $2 \times 10^{14}$  combinations!

Improvements:

- ***Intuition:*** Restrict to only known important physical parameters.
- Run smaller subsets of parameters and feature select through random forests/gradient boosting to identify weak parameters.

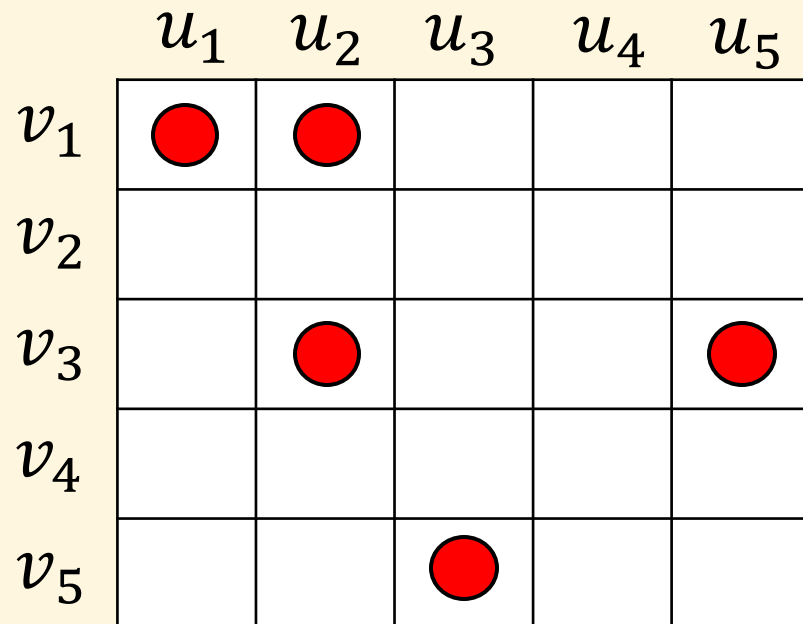


# The Latin Hypercube

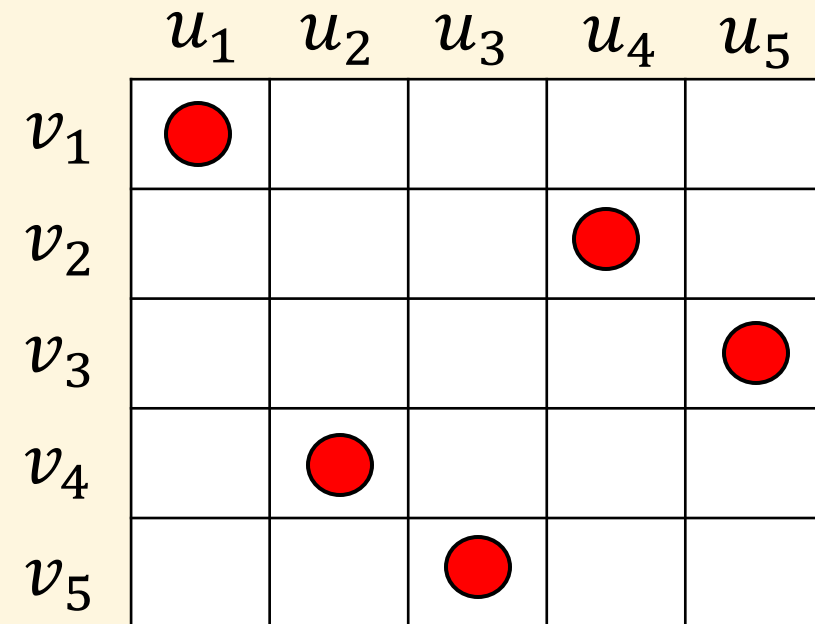


Sample the grid space to further reduce training simulations.

*Random Sampling*

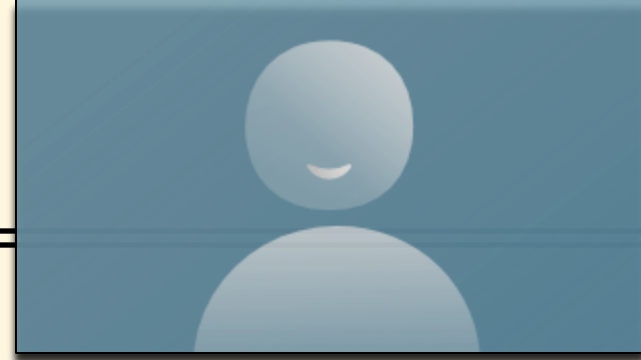


*Latin Hypercube Sampling*



2D Example

# The Latent Space - PCA

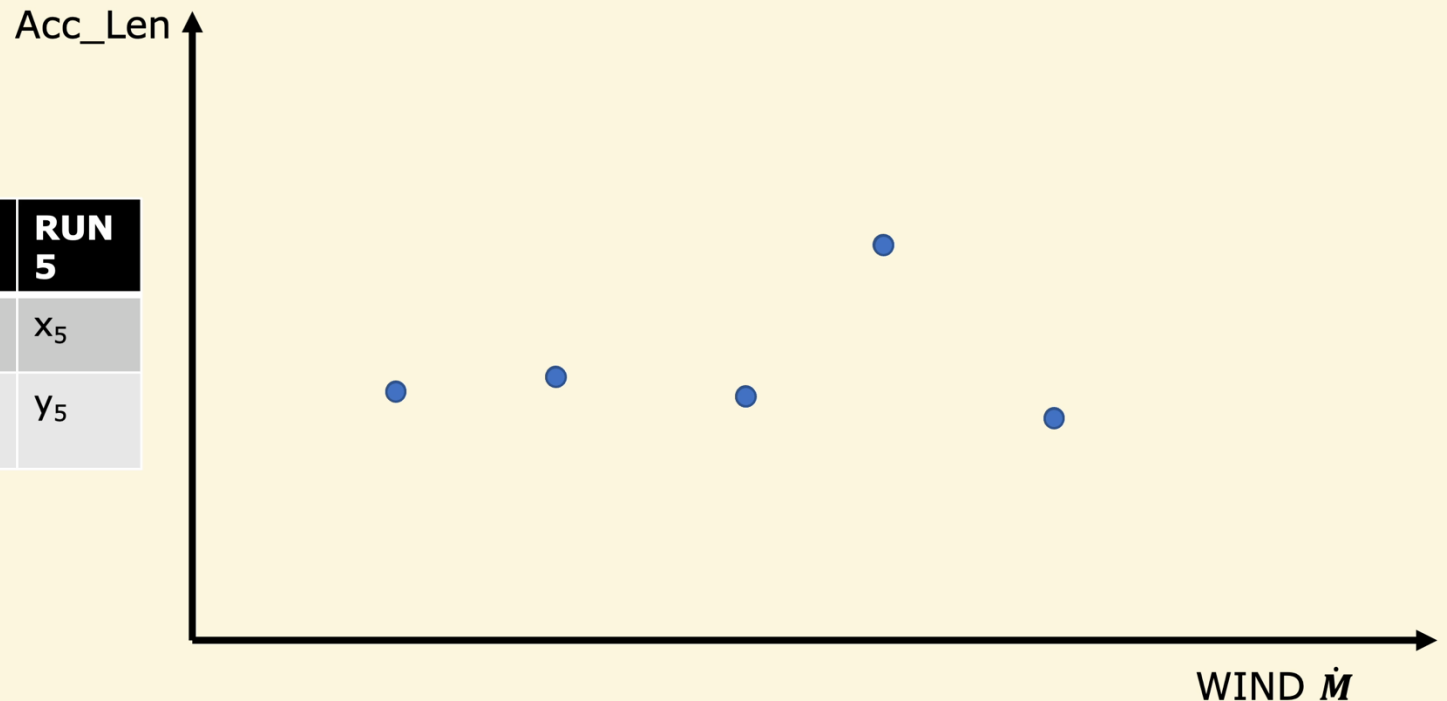


You can reduce the number of dimensions in both inputs and outputs

Create an emulator grid space from Principal Component Analysis with Scikit-learn decomposition methods.

Two Variable Example

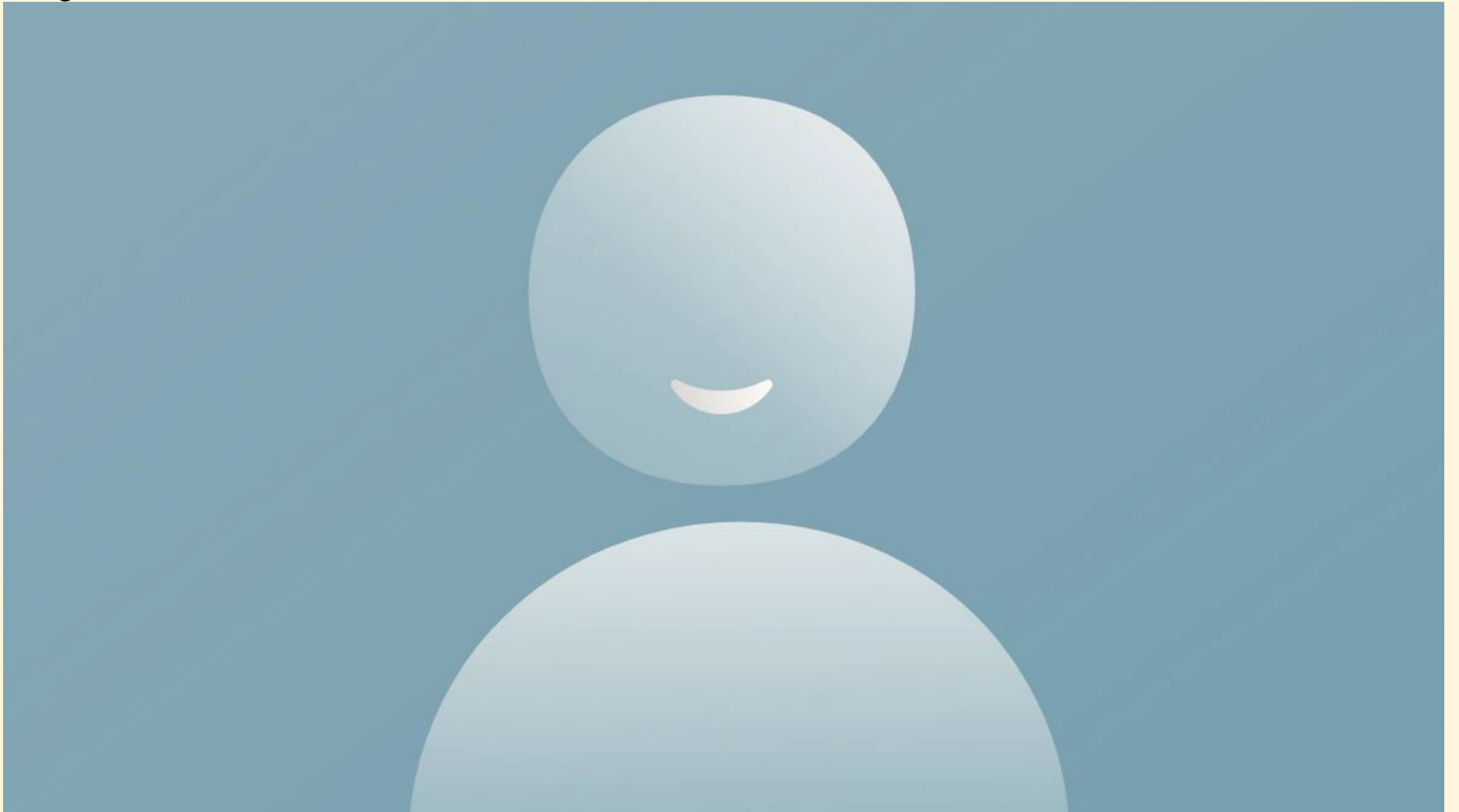
Sirocco	RUN 1	RUN 2	RUN 3	RUN 4	RUN 5
WIND $\dot{M}$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$
Acceleration Length	$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$y_4$	$y_5$



*Illustrative; not to scale*



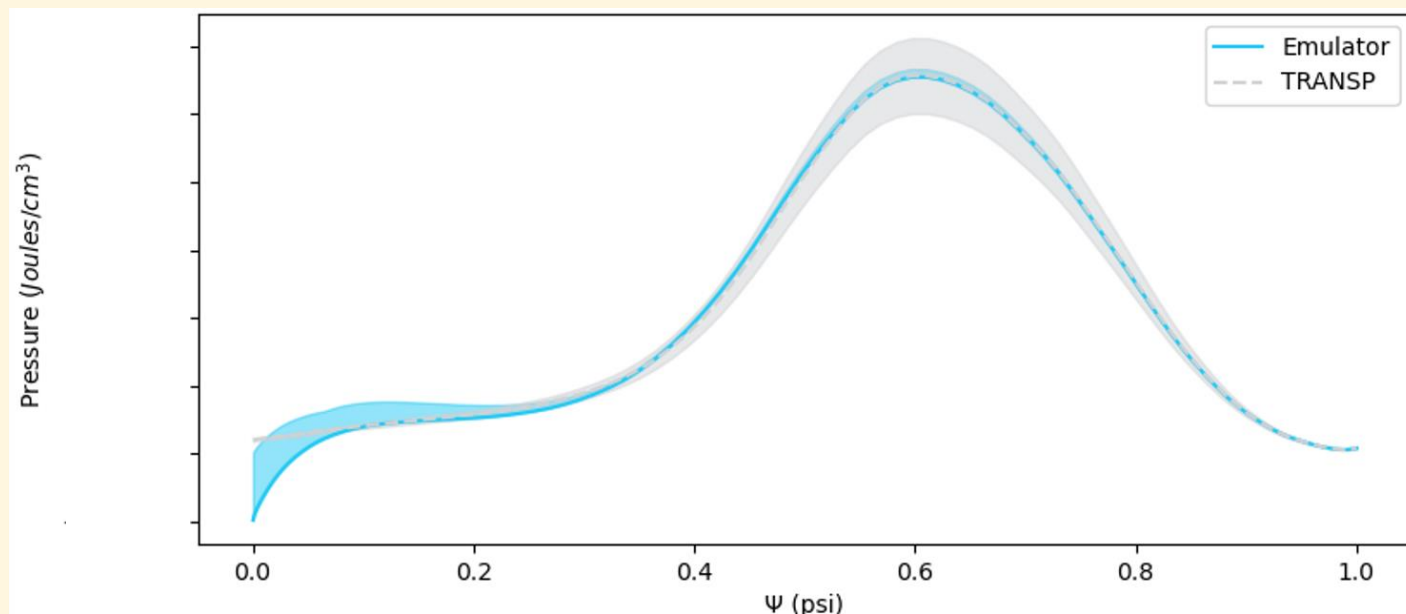
Running a Emulation...



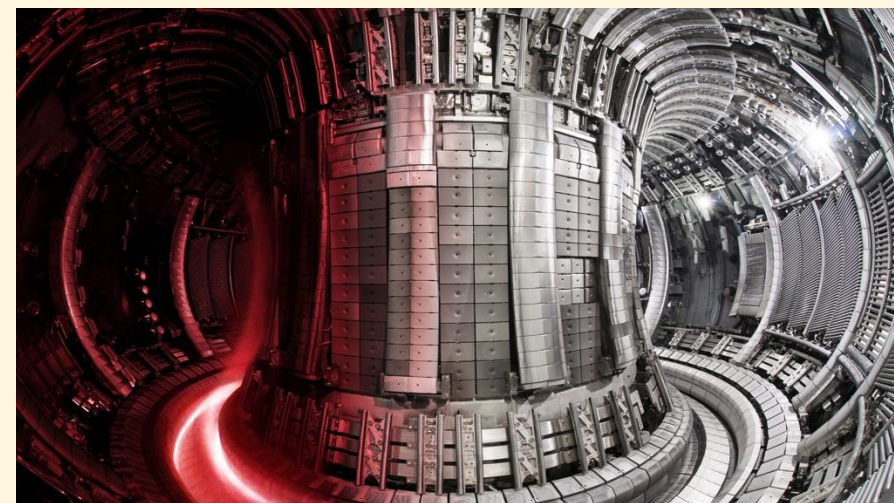
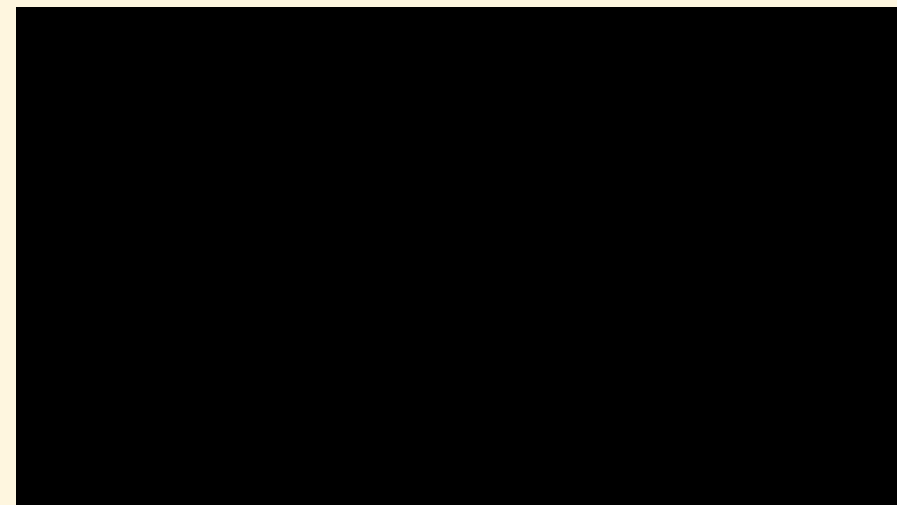
# Case Study: Fusion Energy

*Emulators are being adopted universally*

Plasma pressure profiles:



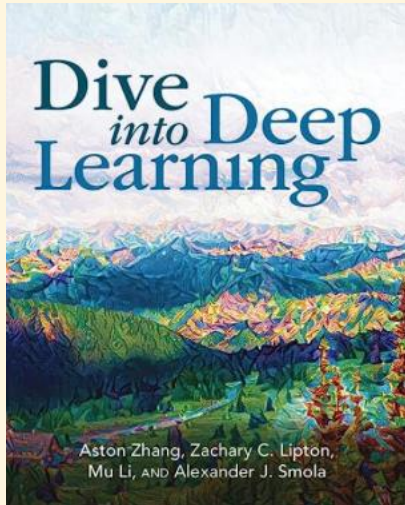
Open-Source Example:  
TORAX (Google Deepmind)



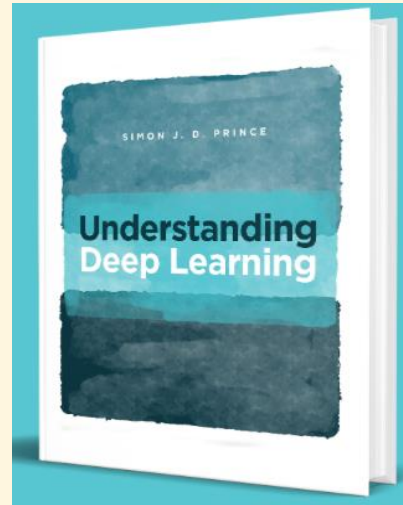
# Deep Learning Books

*Both **FREE** books with  
supplementary material...*

Dive into Deep  
Learning (1089 pages)



Understanding Deep  
Learning (527 pages)



Presentation  
Resources



A human  
(me)







You've gone  
too far ...  
how did you  
get here!



Title:

# Faster Models, Faster Answers: Discover Emulation for Your Workflow

## Abstract:

AI this and AI that, the world in the past couple of years has become overrun with news of Generative AI and the ever-improving odds of a takeover from our new robot overlord, ChatGPT. However, have you ever heard about Generative Modelling? This research field is no longer just about creating pretty pictures and making funky tunes about your favourite branded baked beans. No, step with me into the world of Emulation! We'll probe how simple generative deep-learning models can improve complex physics simulations to not only be rapid but quick as a flash. So, fasten your seat belts as I take you on an ultra-fast whistle-stop tour exploring the universe of surrogate modelling, neural networks and the latent space. As I showcase the raw power of emulators, we'll uncover how faster models unlock new answers (and questions) in both Astrophysics and fusion energy. Also, we'll examine introductory examples of how you can build your own emulator from scratch.

For an evening event, you don't want to miss, I look forward to seeing you there ... and bring a fire extinguisher; my GPU will be on fire 🔥!

Topic keywords: Machine/Deep learning, Generative Modelling, Emulation, Neural Networks, Gaussian Processes, Astrophysics, Fusion Energy, Simulations, Data-processing, Inference (👉📌📌👉)