

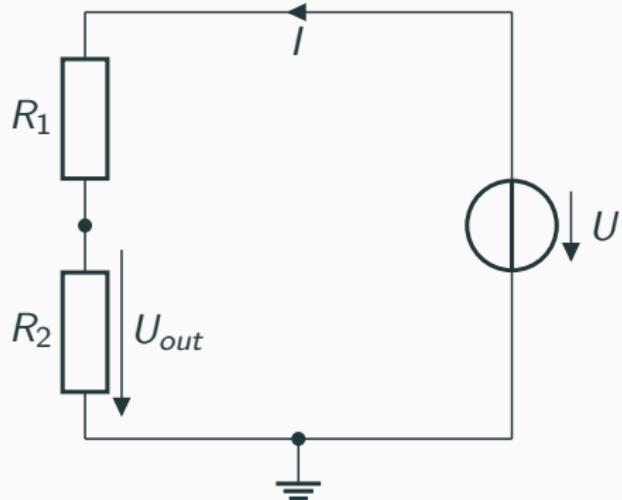
# A probabilistic electrical simulator

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# Electrical Circuit: Voltage divider



$$U_{out} = U \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

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- Even more randomness! Noise of devices, Noise of measurement instruments, offsets, ...

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Nonlinear Case: Newton-Raphson Fixpoint iteration

$$\mathbf{Y}(\vec{x}_i) \cdot \vec{x}_{i+1} = -\mathbf{F}(\vec{x}_i) + \mathbf{Y}(\vec{x}_i) \cdot \vec{x}_i$$

# Program flow

1. Read SPICE - like file

voltagediv.cir:

V1 0 in DC 2

R3 in 2 11.72

R1 2 3 1.2k

R2 3 0 1.8k

voltagediv.tol:

R3 0.1%

R1 5%

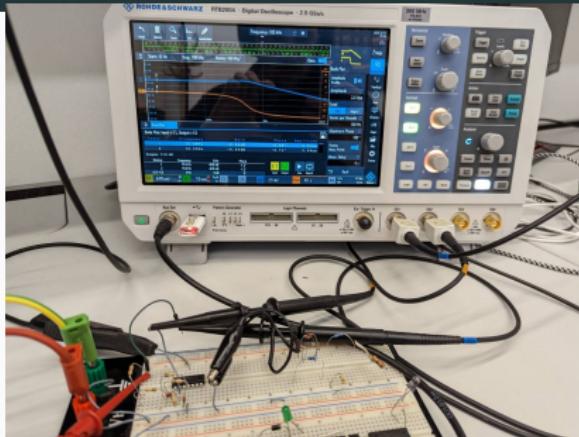
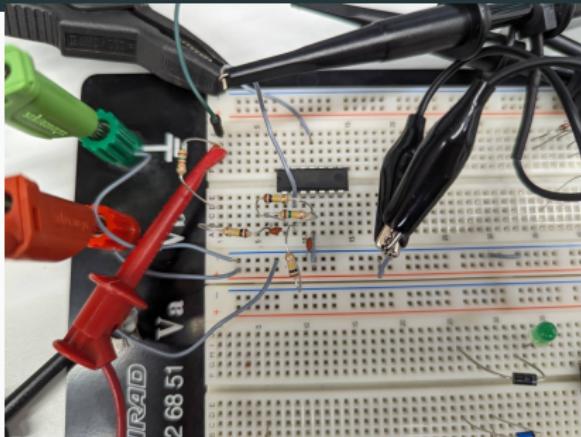
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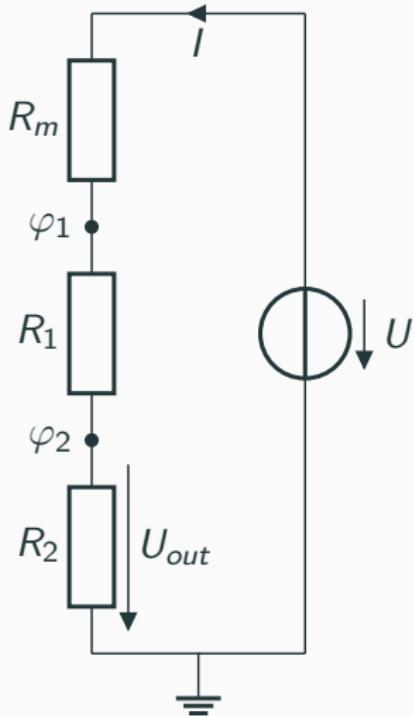
3. Read observed data from file(s)

4. Run inference using the simulator as a model

# Measurements

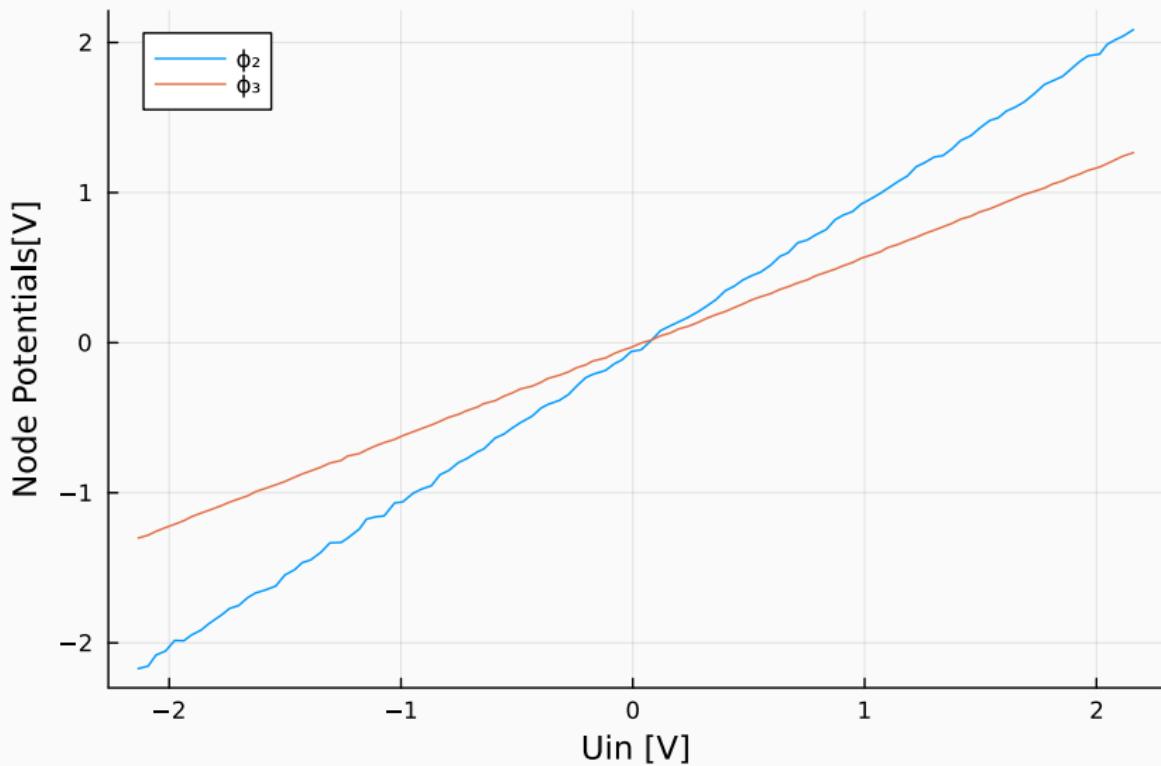


## First example extended

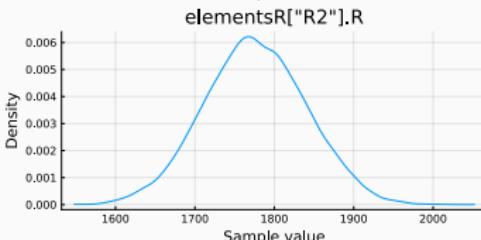
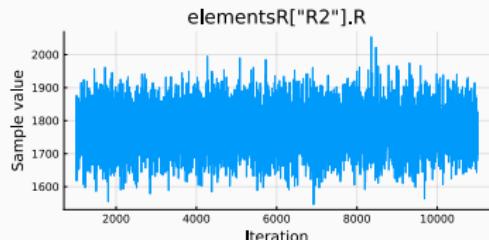
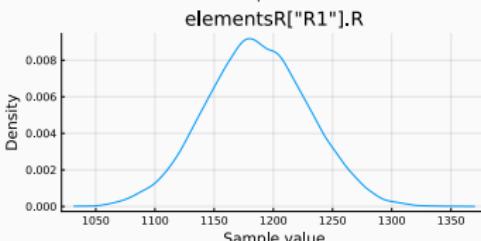
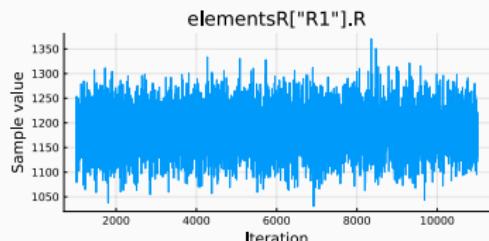
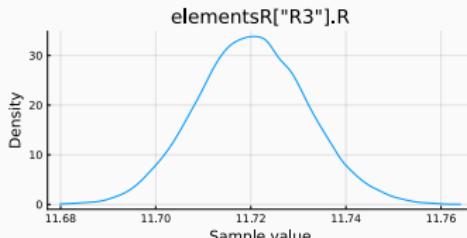
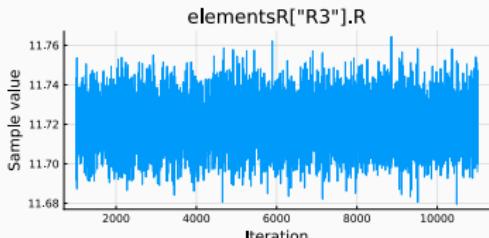


- $R_m$  is an additional (precision) resistor for measuring the current.
- $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  are potentials
- Priors:
  - $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , normally distributed around nominal value.
  - $U_{offset_1}$ ,  $U_{offset_2}$  normally distributed around 0.
  - $U_{noise_1}$ ,  $U_{noise_2}$  uniformly distributed  $[0, 0.1]V$ .
- Observed:  $\varphi_1$ ,  $\varphi_2$

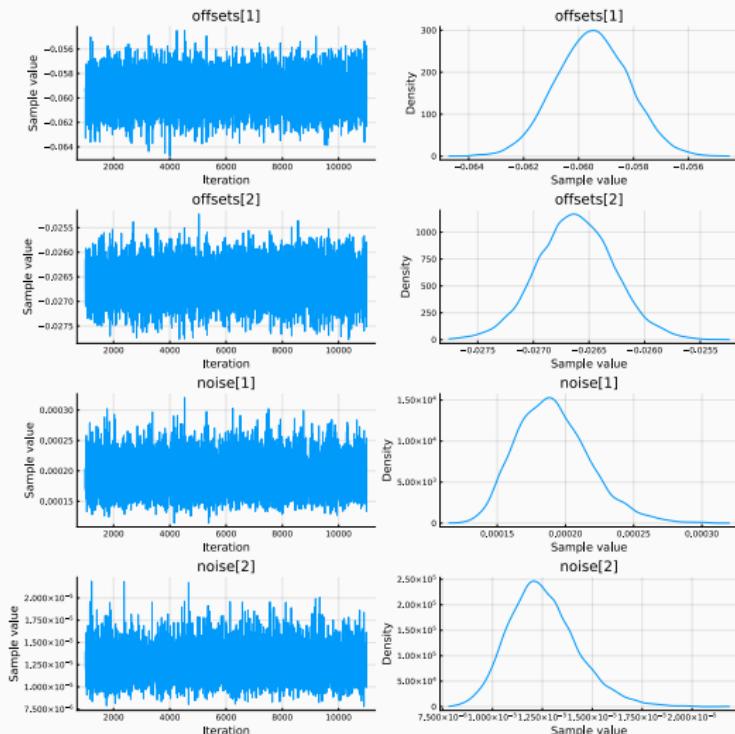
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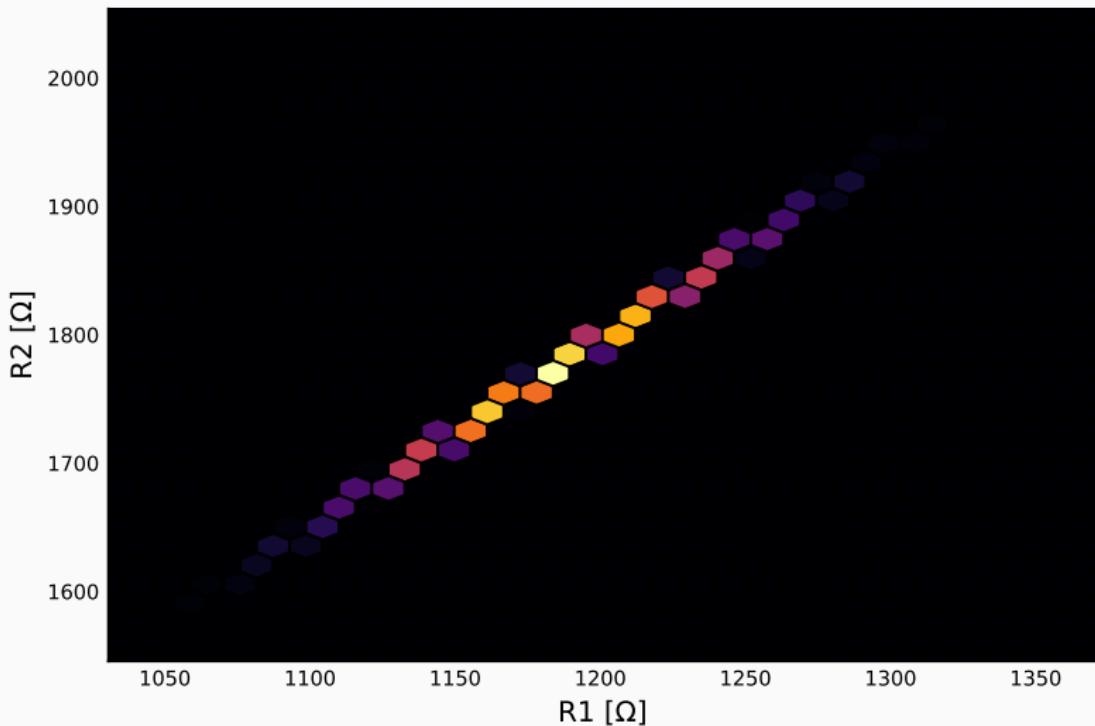
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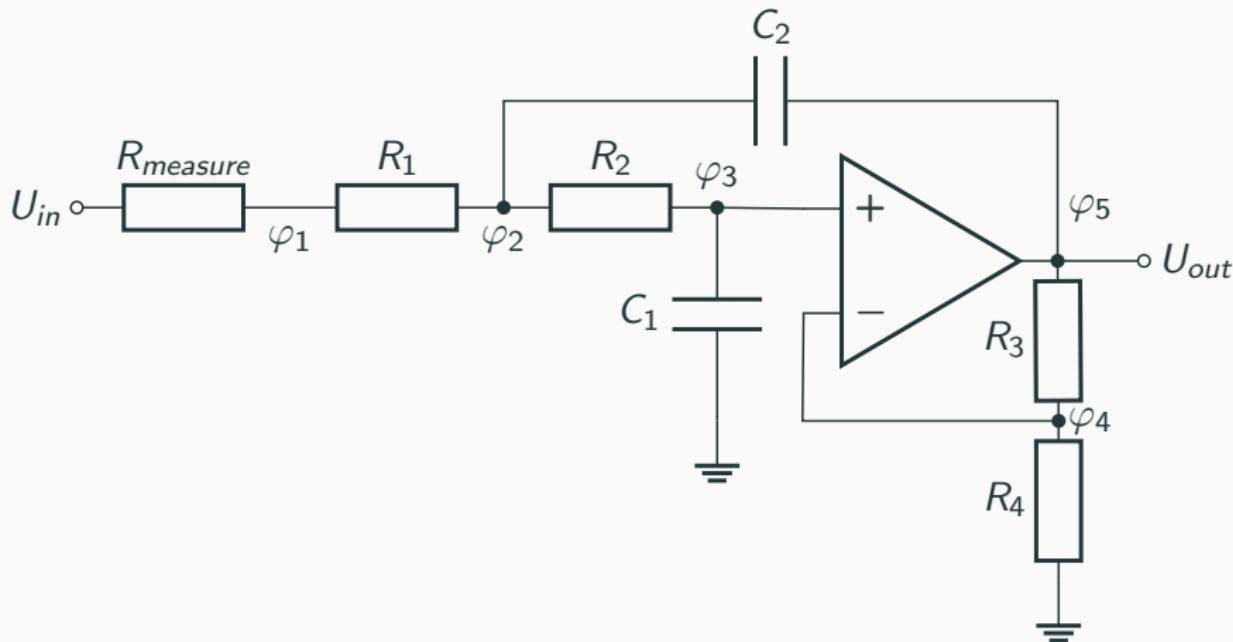
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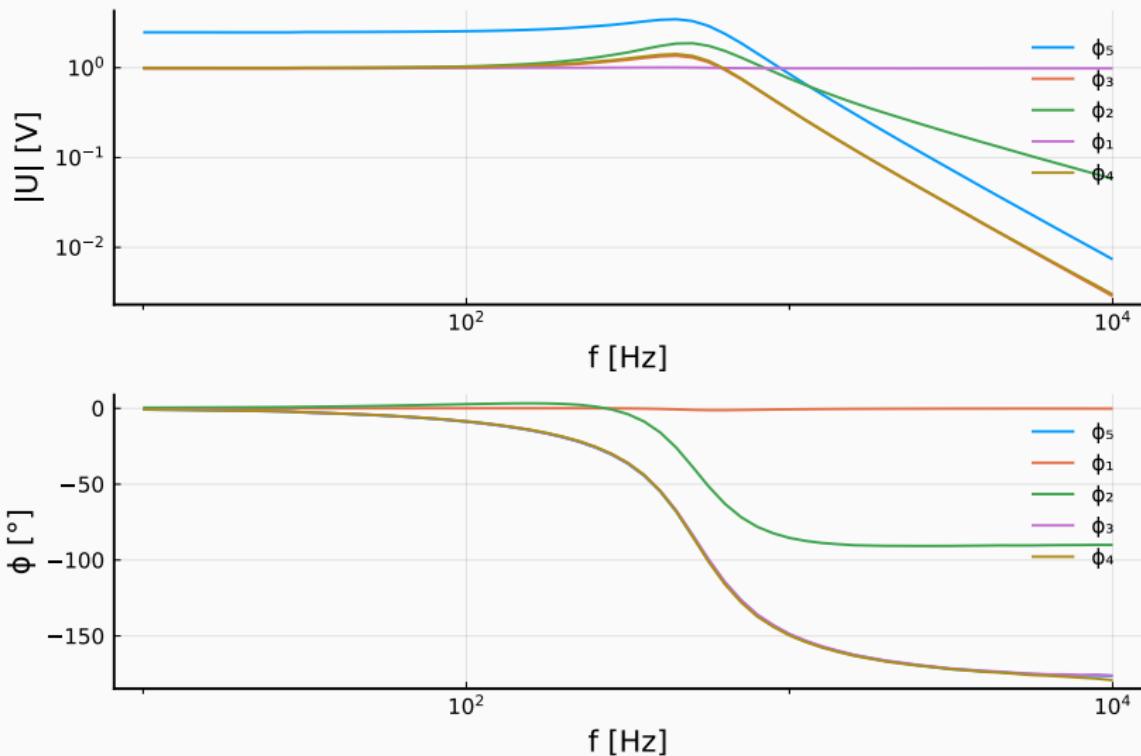
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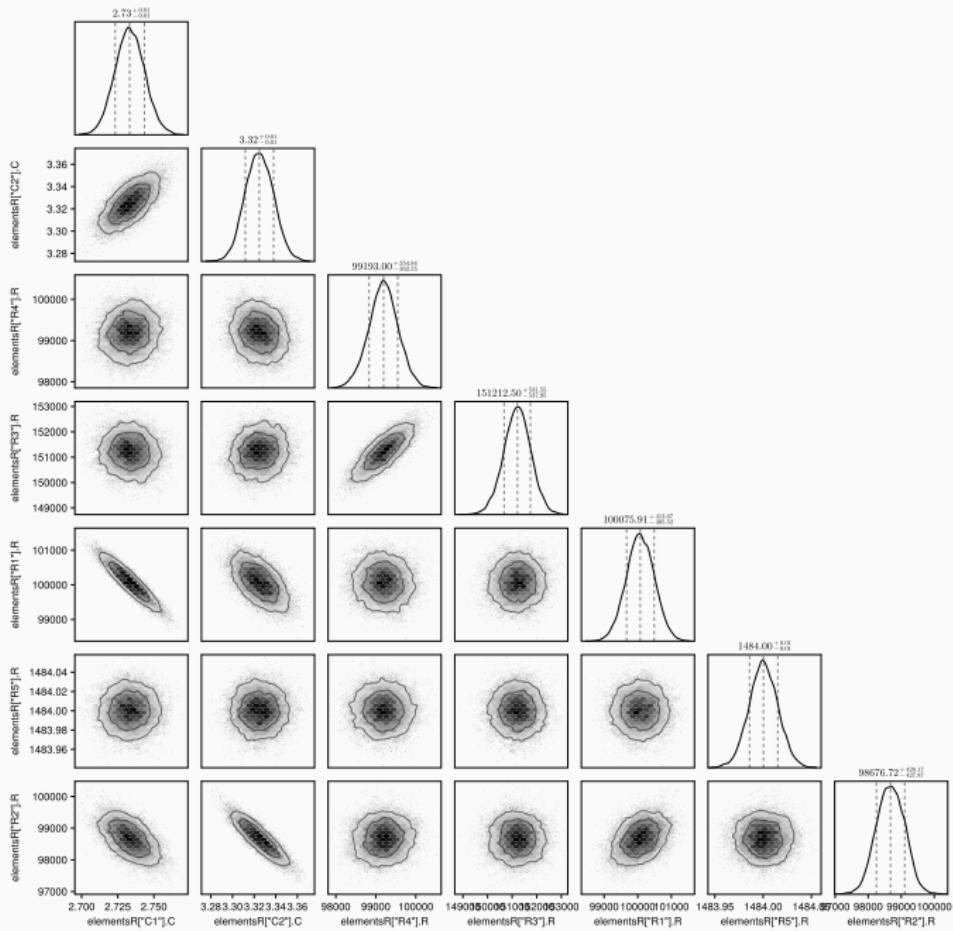
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$R_1$	1.2 kΩ	1.176 kΩ	1.186 kΩ
$R_2$	1.8 kΩ	1.784 kΩ	1.776 kΩ
$R_3$	11.72Ω	11.72Ω	11.72Ω
$U_{offset_1}$	?	?	-0.059V
$U_{offset_2}$	?	?	-0.026V
$U_{noise_1}$	?	?	0.2mV
$U_{noise_2}$	?	?	$10^{-5}V$

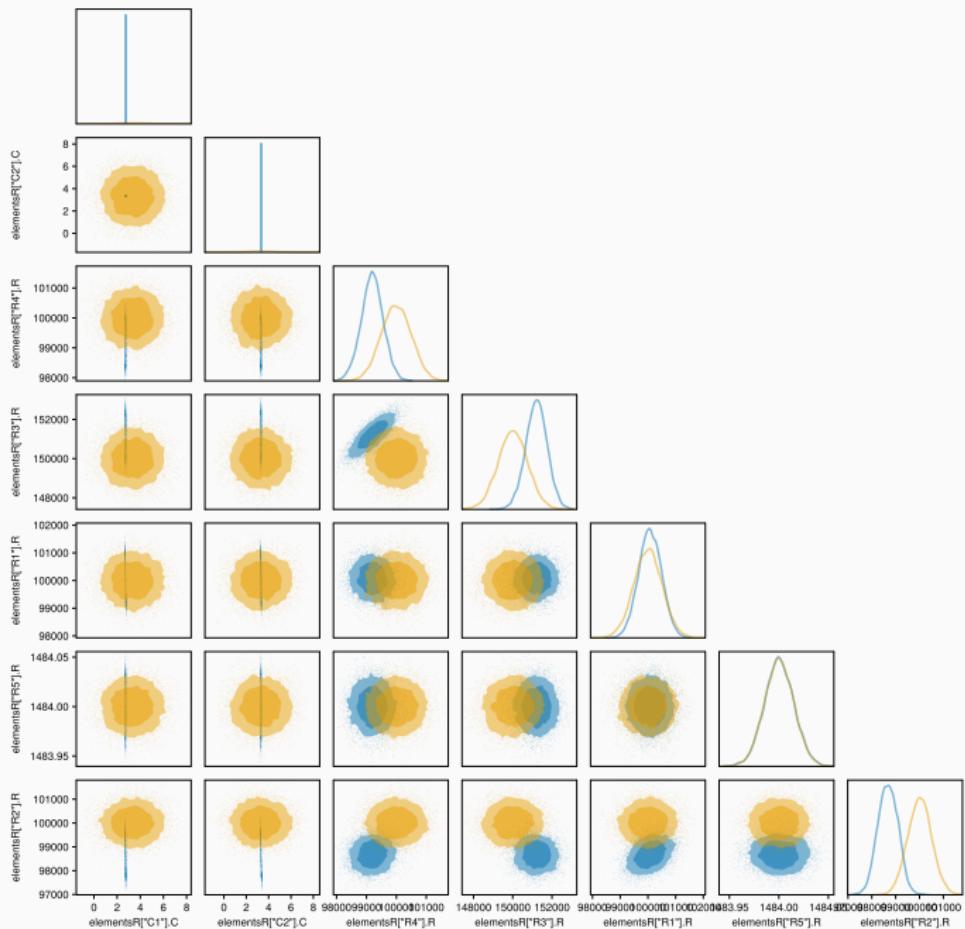
## A more complex circuit



# Frequency Response







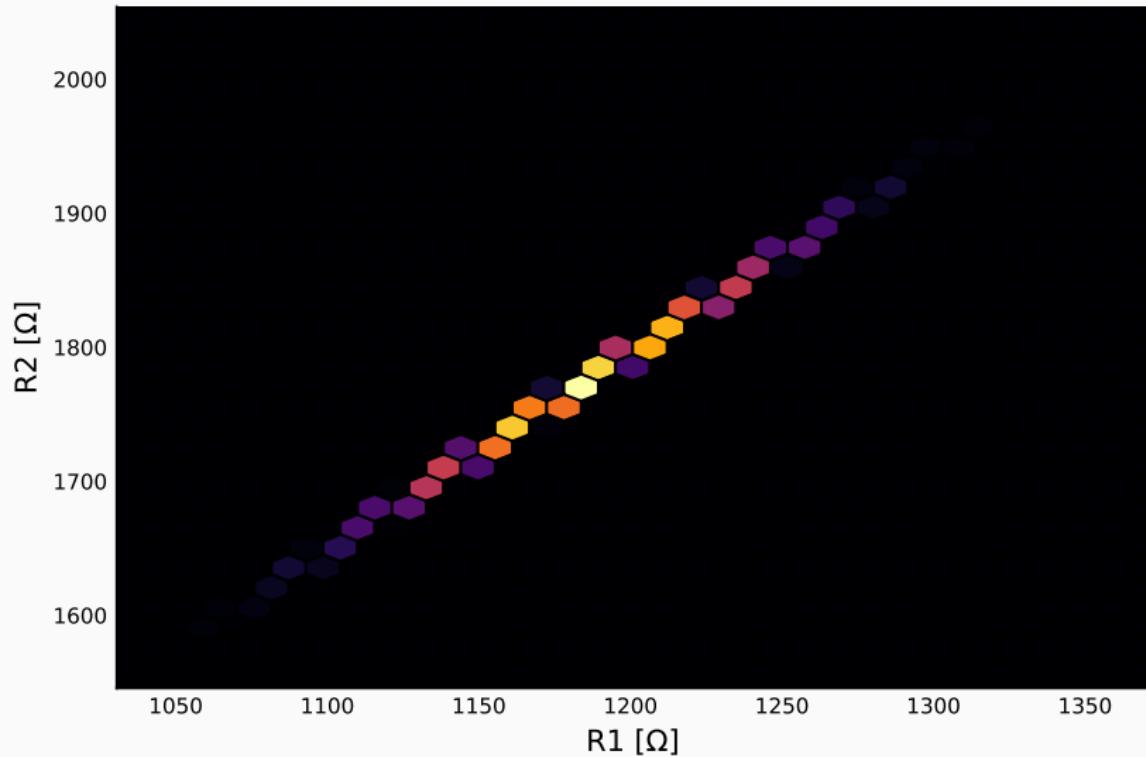
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Obtained with three measured potentials:  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_5$ .

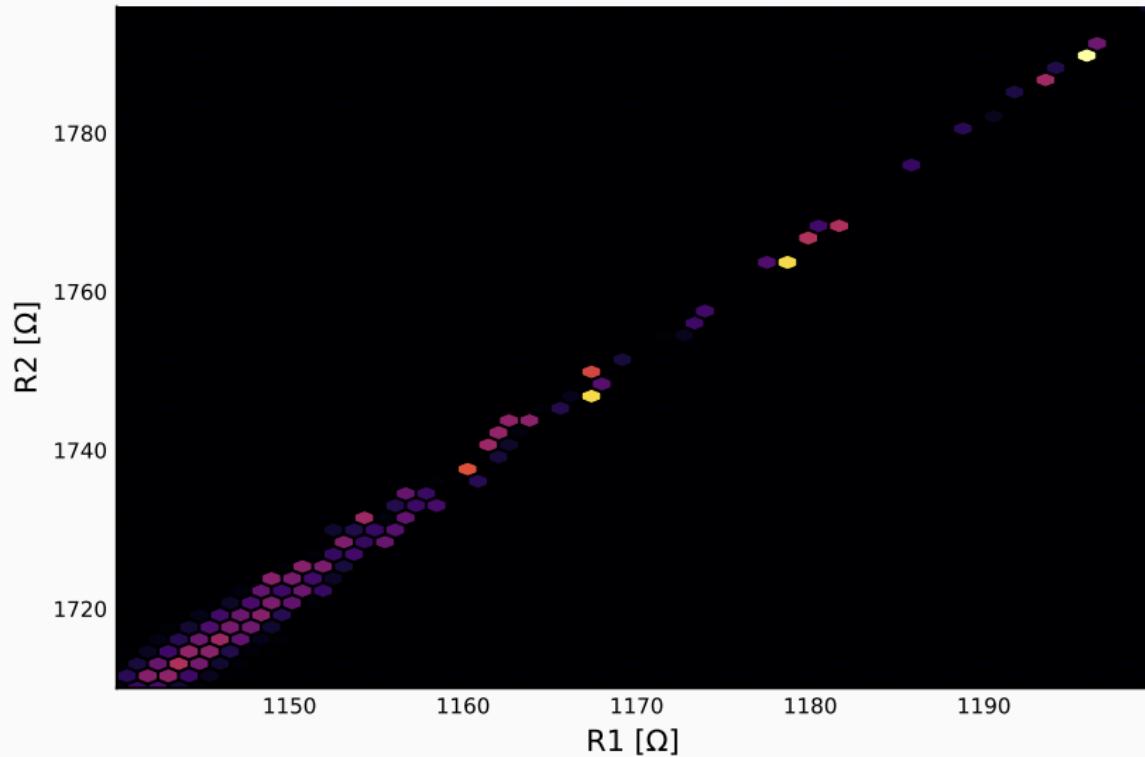
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$R_1$	100 k $\Omega$	100.09 k $\Omega$	100.08 k $\Omega$
$R_2$	100 k $\Omega$	99.97 k $\Omega$	98.6 k $\Omega$
$R_3$	150 k $\Omega$	149.5 k $\Omega$	151.2 k $\Omega$
$R_4$	100 k $\Omega$	100.06 k $\Omega$	99.19 $\Omega$
$C_1$	3.3 nF	2.75 nF	2.73 nF
$C_2$	3.3 nF	3.33 nF	3.32 nF

- Turing NUTS sampler performs really well
- Also tried other samplers (SMC, PG, Gibbs) but they did not work reasonably well (without further tuning)
- ADVI works wonders for this application (MAP estimate in seconds)
- Choice of priors is important: often, there output depends on a ratio of variables → scaled variables might be equally likely.

## Normal distributed priors



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- Hard to know if results are actually reasonable if you don't know the "true" values

# Conclusion

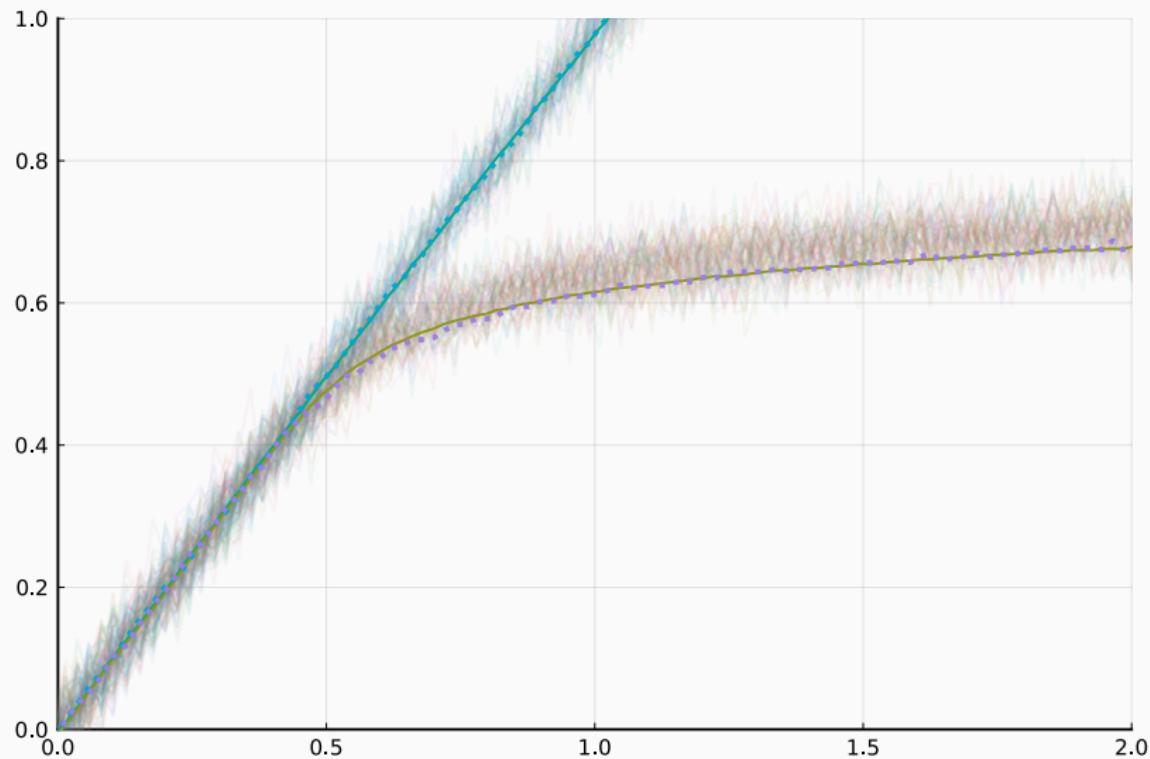
- **It works!**
- Modelling needs to account many things to be realistic  
(Measurement device offsets, noise, parasitics, ...)
- The nonlinear system suffers from convergence issues with some parameters explored by inference
- More components: Transistors (BJT, MOSFETs, ...)
- Transient analysis

Thank you for your attention!  
Questions?



git: <https://github.com/Caesiumhydroxid/SBICE>

# Nonlinear Diode



# DC Analysis Model

```
1 @model function dcanalysis(...)  
2     for e in keys(tolerances) ...  
3         elementsR[e].R ~ Normal(elements[e].R,  
4                                         elements[e].R * tolerances[e])  
5     end  
6     offsets ~ MvNormal(zeros(observedNodeIndicesLength),  
7                           diagm(0.01.*ones(observedNodeIndicesLength)))  
8     for i in 1:observedNodeIndicesLength  
9         noise[i] ~ Uniform(0, 0.01)  
10    end  
11    A, RHS = assembleMatrixAndRhs(elementsR, nodes, type)  
12    Ainv = inv(A)  
13    for i in 1:amountOfMeasurements  
14        RHS[nodes[elementsR["V1"].name]-1] = -voltages[i]  
15        res = Ainv*RHS  
16        results[i,:] = res[observedNodeIndices]  
17    end  
18    for (i,col) in enumerate(eachcol(results))  
19        measurementMatrix[:,i] ~ MvNormal(col.+offsets[i],  
20                                         diagm(noise[i]*ones(amountOfMeasurements)))  
21    end  
22 end
```

## Sallen Key Input

V1 0 in AC 1

R5 in 1 1.484k

R5 0.001%

R1 1 2 100k

R1 0.5%

R2 2 3 100k

R2 0.5%

C1 2 out 3.3n

R3 0.5%

C2 3 0 3.3n

R4 0.5%

R3 out 4 150k

C1 40%

R4 4 0 100k

C2 40%

O1 3 4 out 0 1e5

# Sallen Key Measurements

```
in Sa, Frequency in Hz, Gain in dB, Phase in °, Amplitude in Vpp
1.00E+00,1.000E+01,-2.426E-02,2.693E-03,2.500E+00
2.00E+00,1.023E+01,-2.448E-02,3.685E-03,2.500E+00
3.00E+00,1.047E+01,-2.481E-02,6.256E-04,2.500E+00
4.00E+00,1.072E+01,-2.359E-02,1.049E-02,2.500E+00
5.00E+00,1.096E+01,-2.475E-02,1.010E-02,2.500E+00
6.00E+00,1.122E+01,-2.326E-02,4.135E-03,2.500E+00
7.00E+00,1.148E+01,-2.272E-02,1.164E-02,2.500E+00
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