

Farm-wide virtual load monitoring for offshore wind structures via Bayesian neural networks

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Why Bayesian neural networks?

- When lacking known grounds, Bayesian models express higher uncertainty in the extrapolation regime.
- Probabilistic interpretation of prediction models
 - predicted value
 - its confidence
- Joint uncertainty quantification
 - aleatory (physical) uncertainty
 - epistemic (model) uncertainty

ABC of uncertainty quantification

Physical uncertainty



<https://www.nytimes.com/2016/08/23/science/americas-first-offshore-wind-farm-may-power-up-a-new-industry.html>

Aleatory

Model uncertainty



<https://www.smart-energy.com/renewable-energy/nrel-iea-release-open-access-plans-for-iea-15-mw-wind-turbine/>

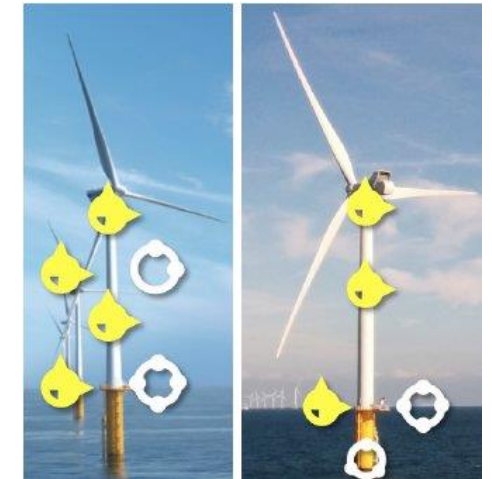
Epistemic

Measurement uncertainty



<http://www.winspector.eu/news-and-events/oscillation-measurement-on-wind-turbine-blade/>

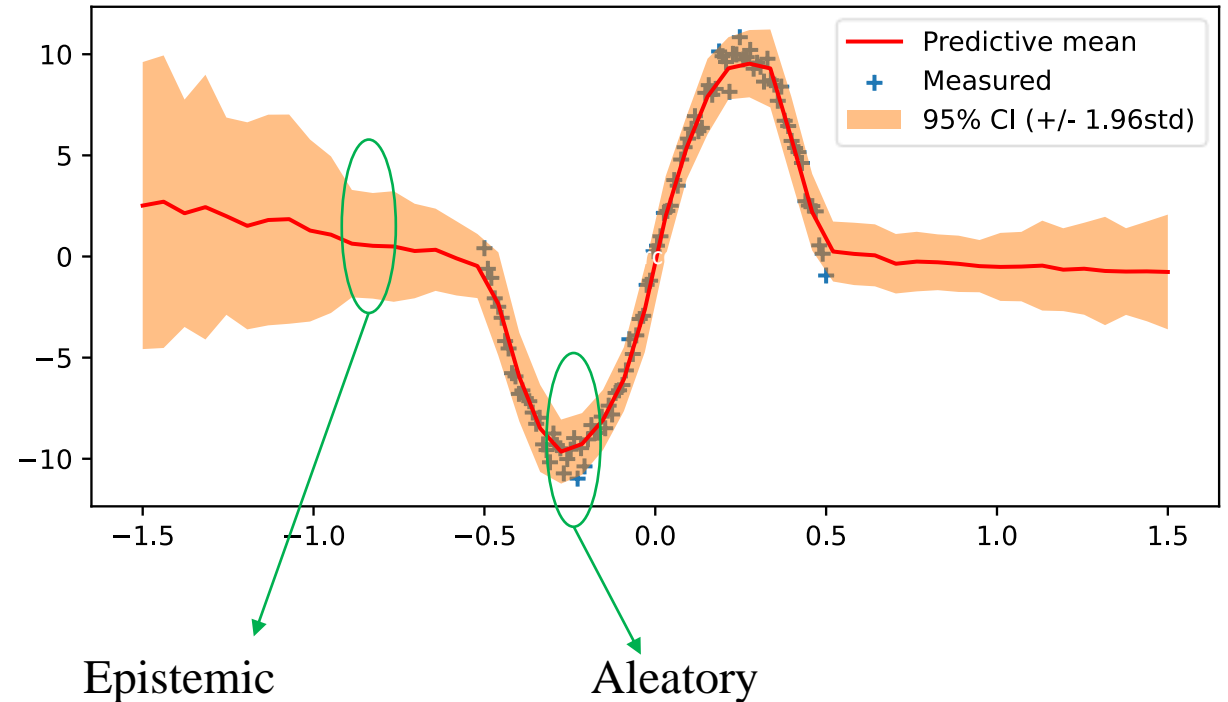
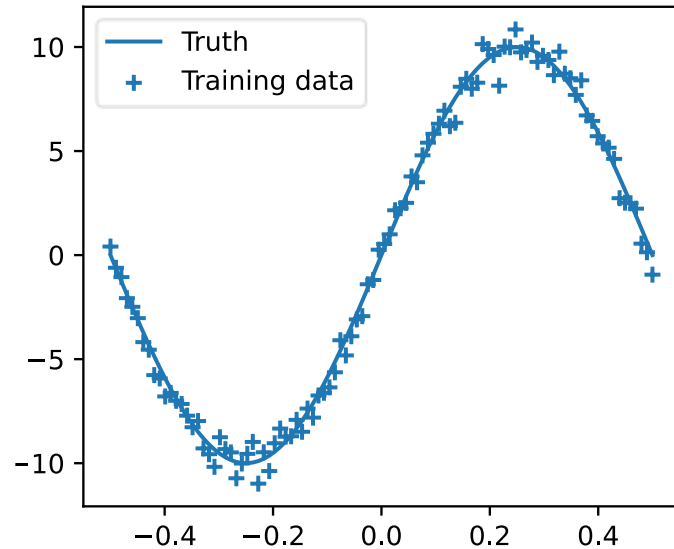
Statistical uncertainty



Source: https://www.researchgate.net/publication/275154568_MONITORING_THE_CONSUMED_FATIGUE_LIFE_OF_WIND_TURBINES_ON_MONOPILE_FOUNDATIONS

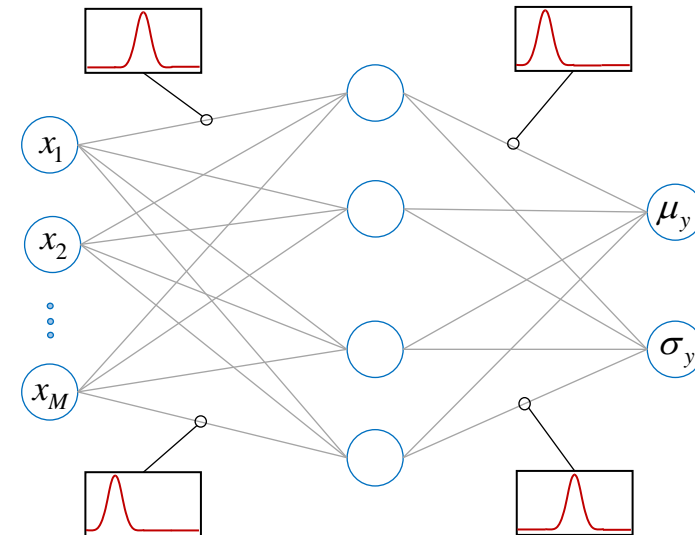
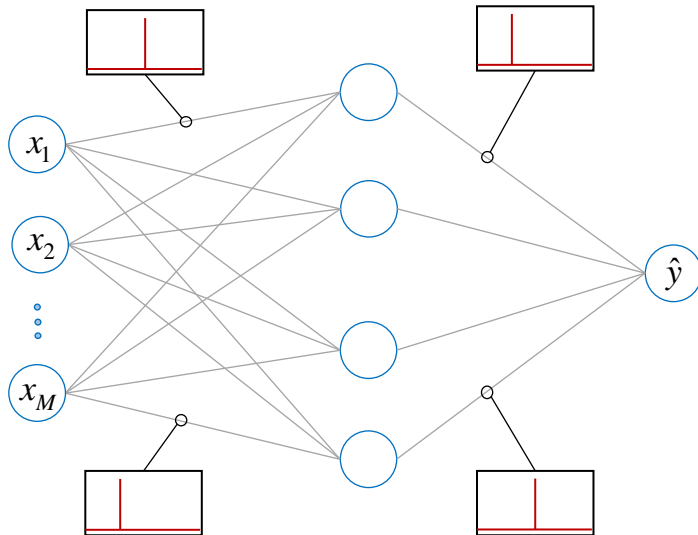
Example BNN with a simple dataset

- A BNN modelling a sine function



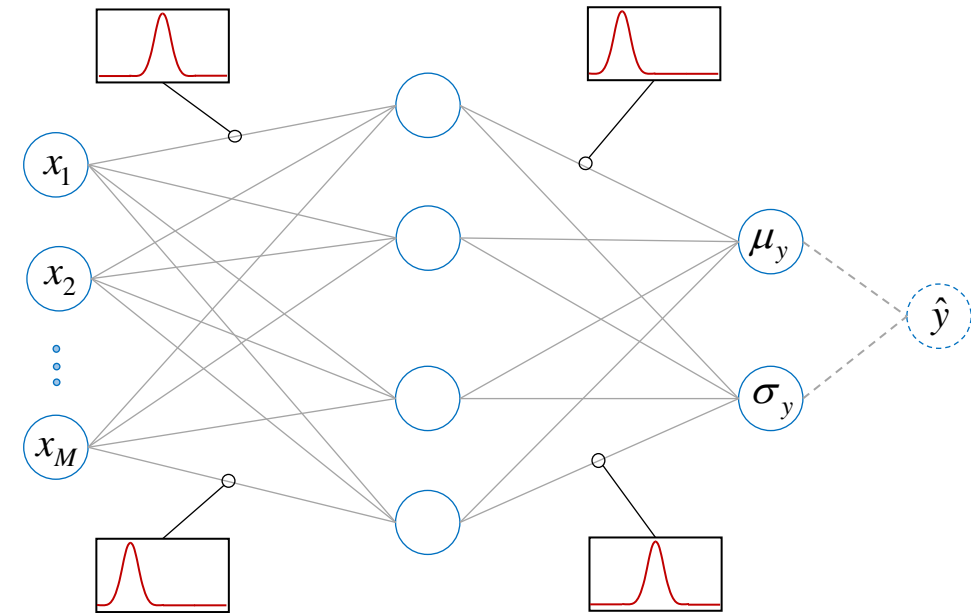
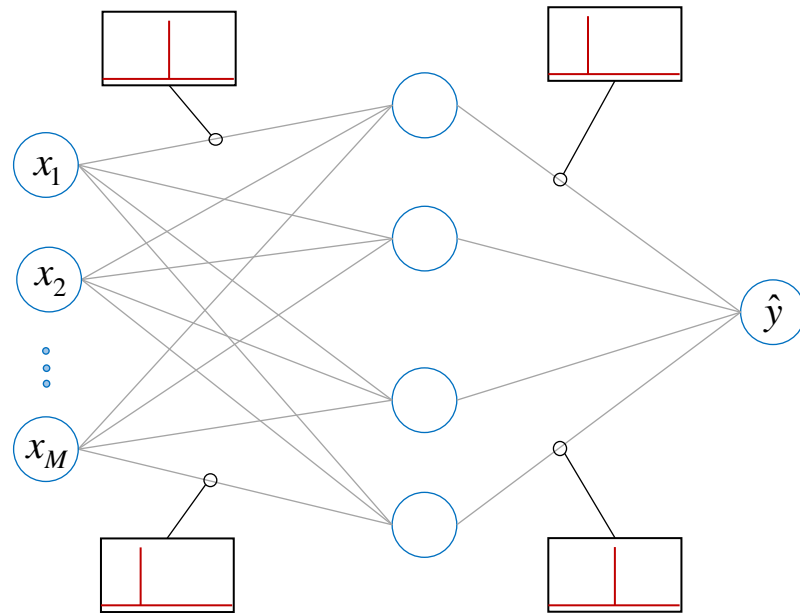
Essentials of Bayesian neural networks

- Stochastic components
 - Stochastic weights and biases, and/or
 - Stochastic activations
- Stochastic output, i.e., a probability distribution
 - One parameter can be known.



Essentials of Bayesian neural networks

- Distribution layer



Essentials of Bayesian neural networks

- Bayesian inference

$$P(\theta | D) = \frac{P(D | \theta)P(\theta)}{\int P(D | \theta)P(\theta)d\theta}$$

$P(\theta)$ = prior distribution of model parameters (user-specified)

$P(D | \theta)$ = likelihood (D is the observed ‘training’ data)

$P(\theta | D)$ = posterior distribution of model parameters

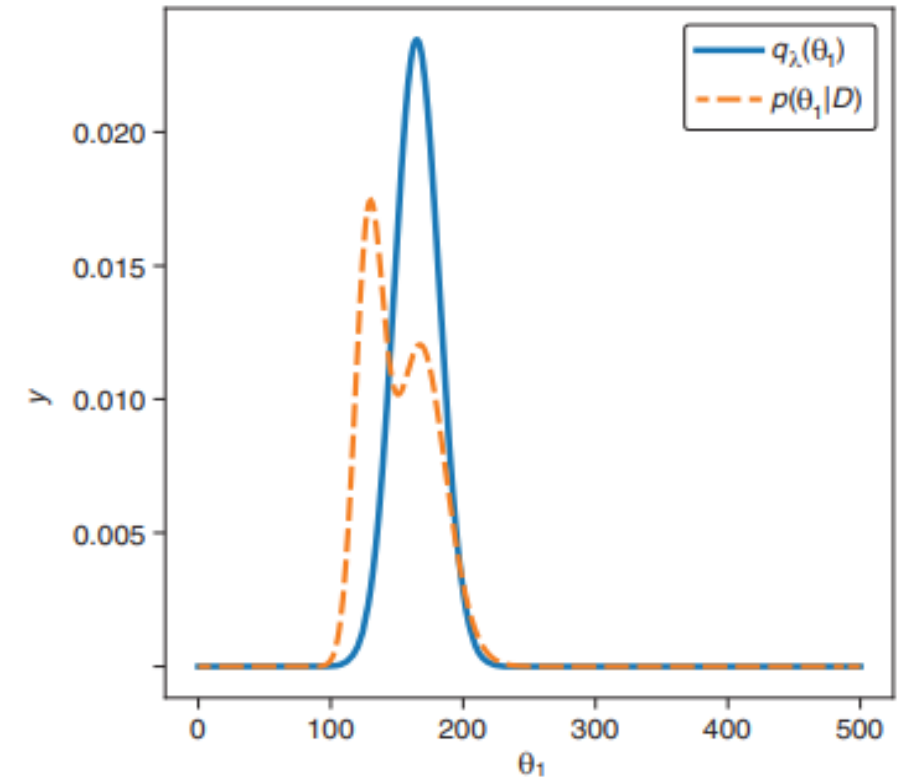
** High dimensional integral over the weights >> **intractable posterior**

Essentials of Bayesian neural networks

- Variational inference
- Objective of VI – to estimate unknown posterior distribution by a variational distribution, usually Gaussian $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma)$.



How to measure similarity or divergence?



Variational inference (in just a little bit of Maths :D)

$$\mathbb{KL}(q_\lambda(\theta) \parallel P(\theta \mid D)) = \int q_\lambda(\theta) \log \frac{q_\lambda(\theta)}{P(\theta \mid D)} d\theta$$

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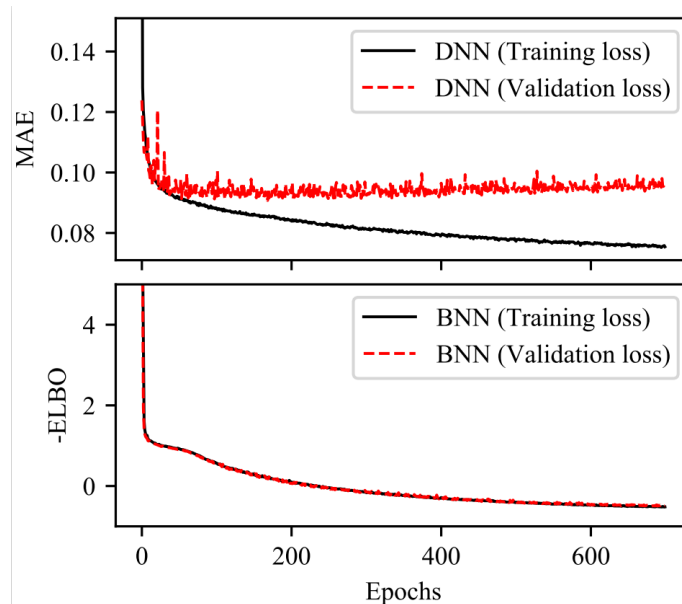
Variational inference

$$\lambda^* = \operatorname{argmin} \left\{ \underbrace{\text{KL}(q_\lambda(\theta) \parallel P(\theta))}_{\text{Regularizer}} - \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{\theta \sim q_\lambda} [\log(P(D \mid \theta))]}_{\text{Expected negative log-likelihood}} \right\}$$

Regularizer

Expected negative log-likelihood

- ✓ KL between variational and prior distributions.
- ✓ Prevents overfitting



Variational inference

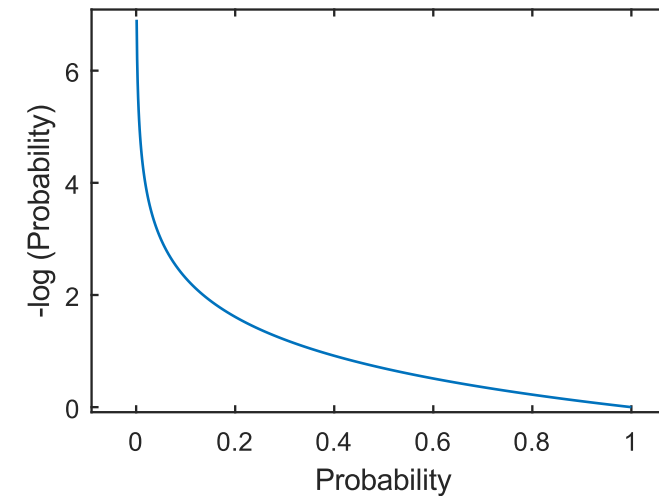
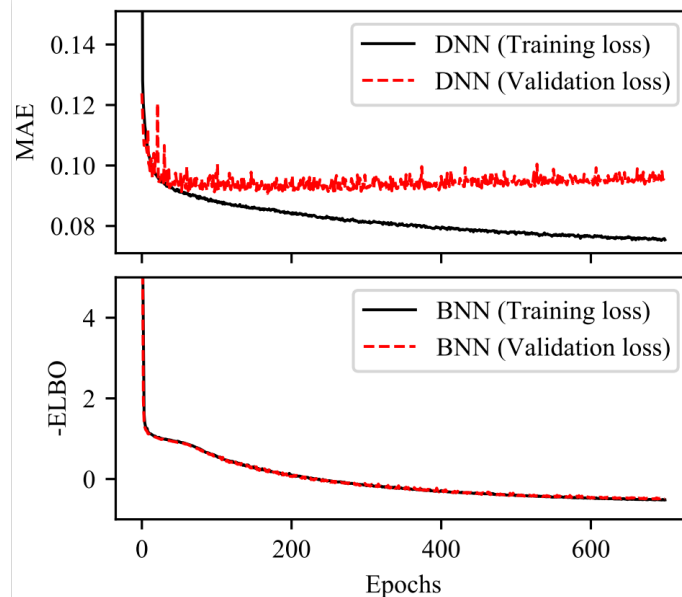
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Regularizer


Expected negative log-likelihood

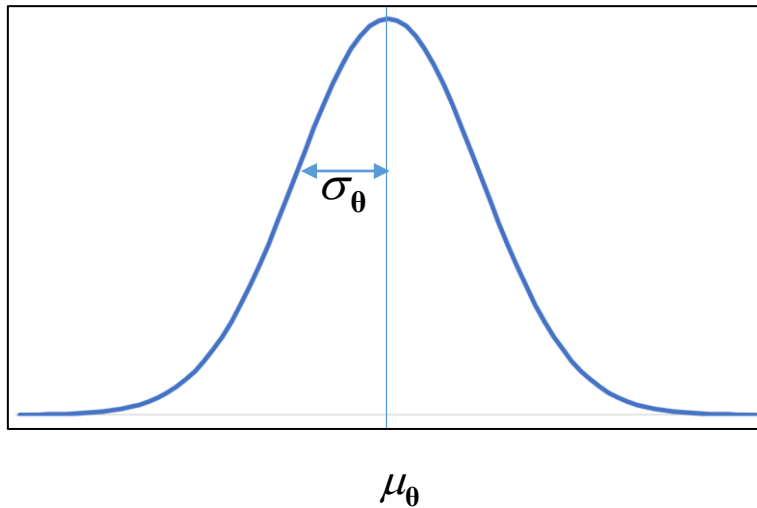
- ✓ KL between variational and prior distributions.
- ✓ Prevents overfitting.

- ✓ Maximize the likelihood of the ‘labels’.
- ✓ One realization instead of expectation*.

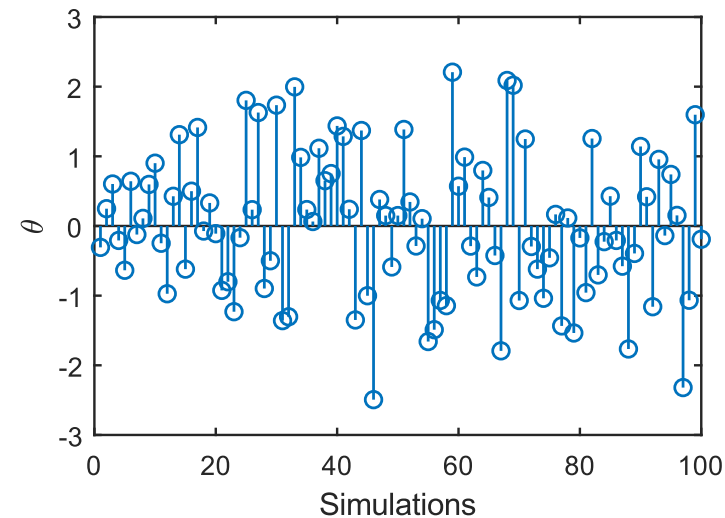


Training Bayesian neural networks

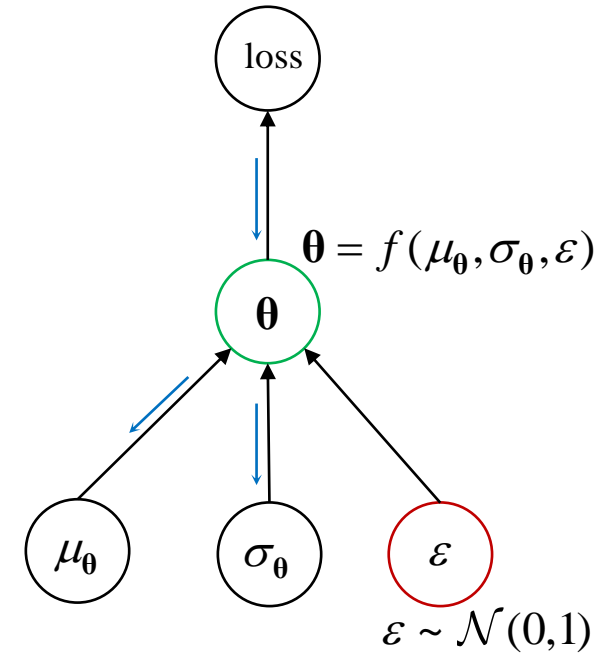
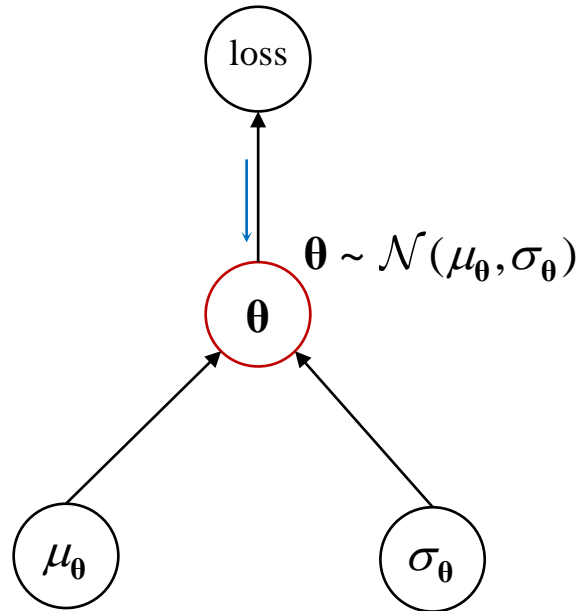
- Pick a prior distribution for the weights and/or biases.
- Draw a random sample from the distribution.
- Perform a forward pass.
- Compute the loss function (KL+NLL) given the random sample.
-  Compute the derivative of the loss w.r.t the distribution parameters.
- Update the (posterior) distribution parameters.



$$\text{PDF: } p(\theta) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\theta-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2}$$



Training Bayesian neural networks



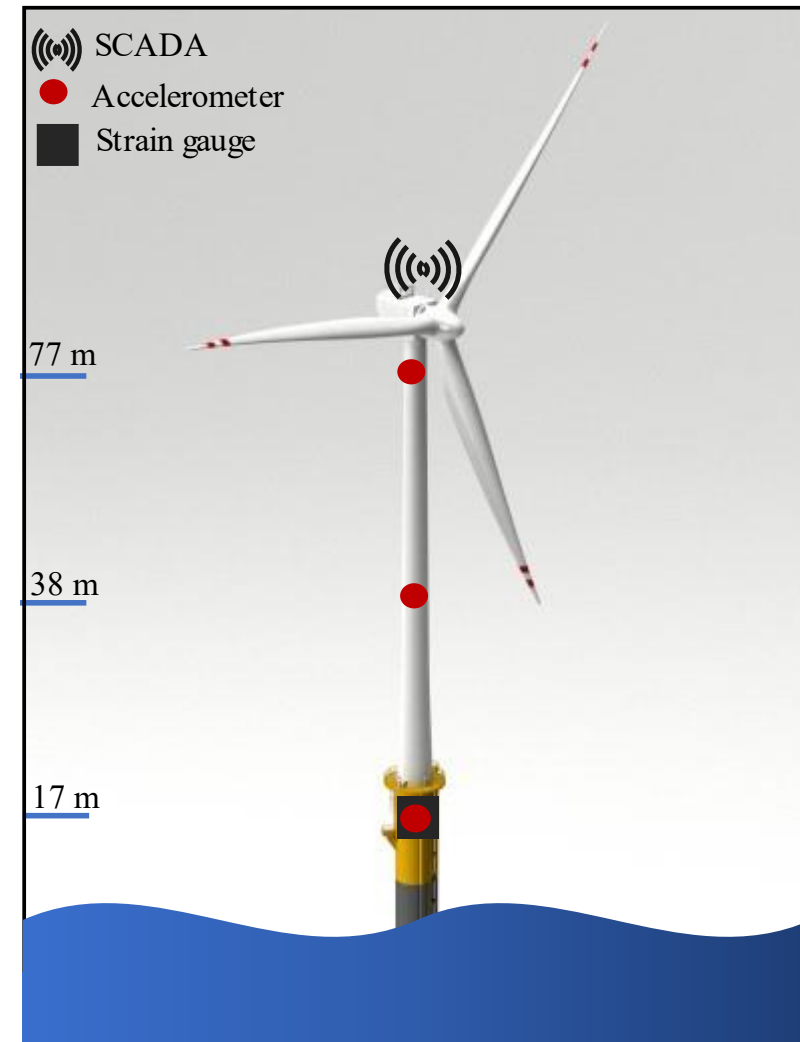
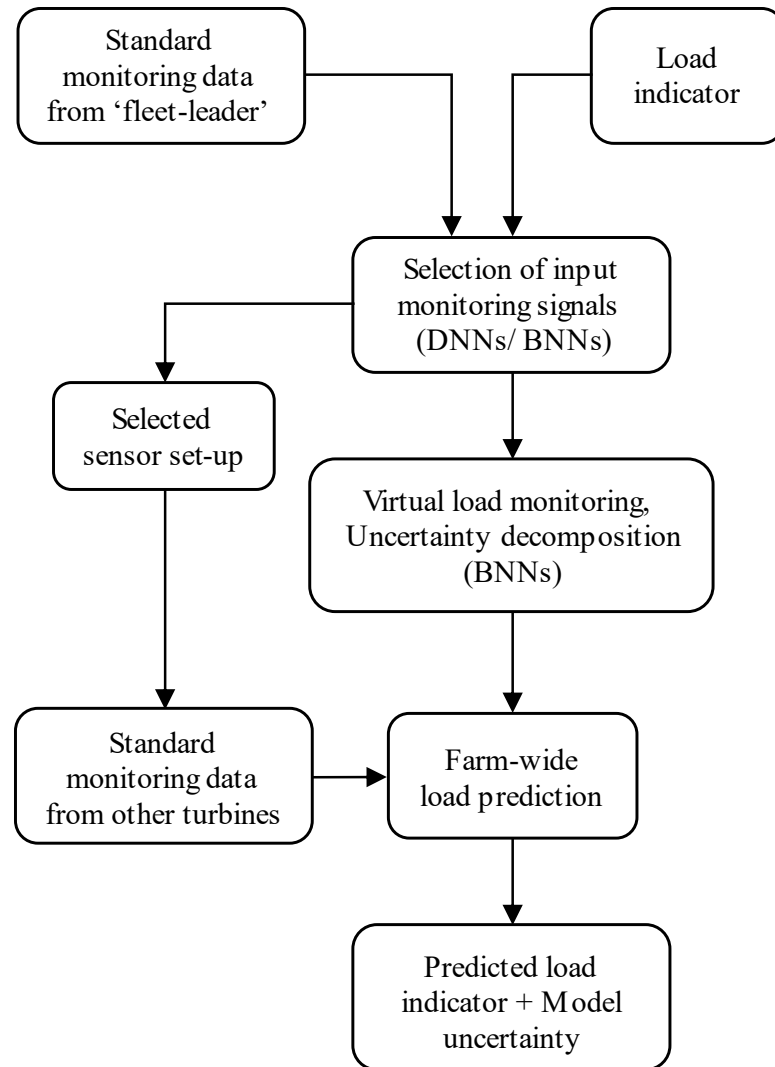
Reparametrization: $\theta = \mu_\theta + \sigma_\theta \cdot \varepsilon$

Some more practical things

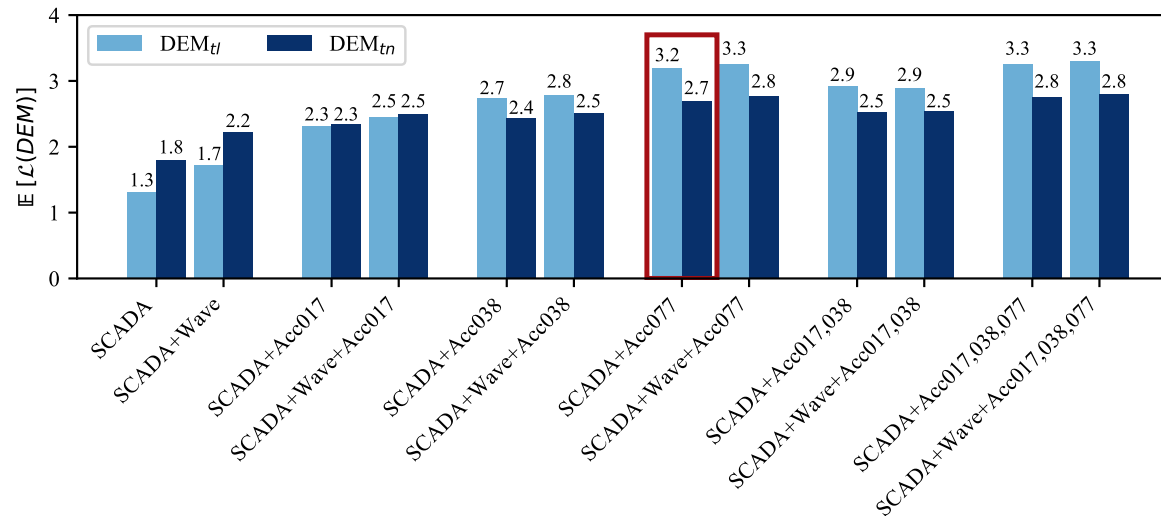
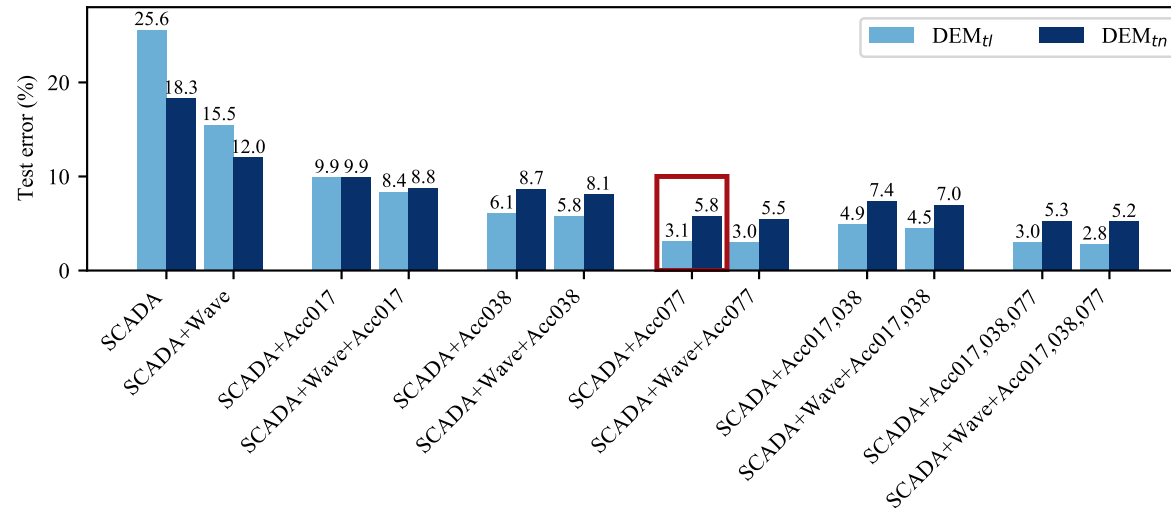
- Implementation of BNNs in TensorFlow Probability
- Dense variational layers
 - DenseReparameterization
 - DenseFlipout
 - ..
- Convolutional variational layers
 - DenseReparameterization
 - DenseFlipout
 - ..
- Distribution layers
 - Several ready-to-use distributions
 - [DistributionLambda](#) for other distributions



Farm-wide virtual load monitoring for OWTs via BNNs



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Farm-wide application

- Multiple forward runs in BNNs
- Expectation of the predicted load
- Compute the overall and model uncertainty
- Compare against measured labels**



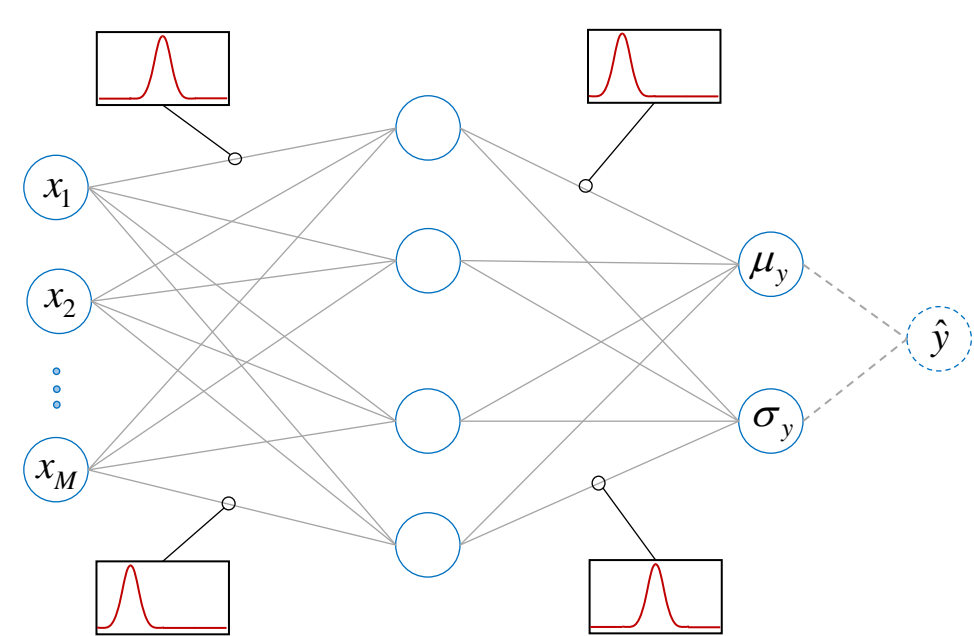
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- Total variance theorem:

$$\mathbb{V}(\hat{y} | \mathbf{x}) = \mathbb{E}[\sigma_y^2 | \mathbf{x}] + \mathbb{V}(\mu_y | \mathbf{x})$$

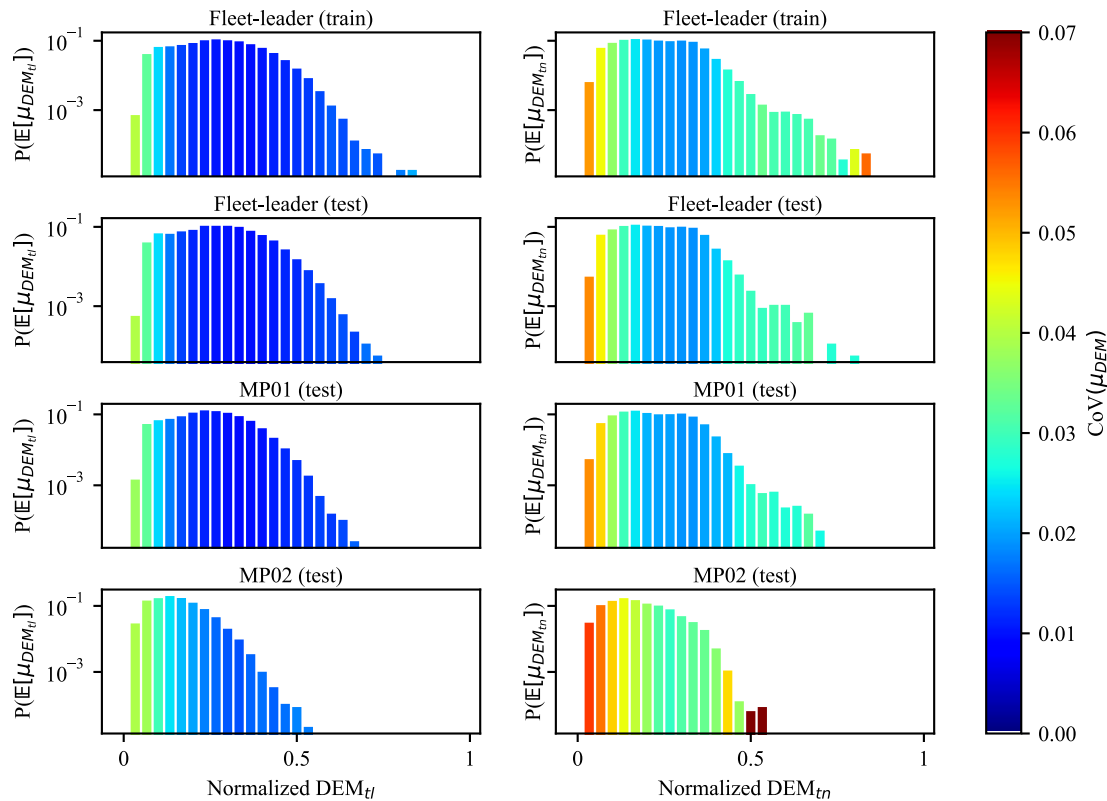
Aleatory Epistemic

- μ_y and σ_y are also stochastic.
- Perfect model $\gg \sigma_y$ is the aleatory uncertainty.
- Model uncertainty from distribution of weights.

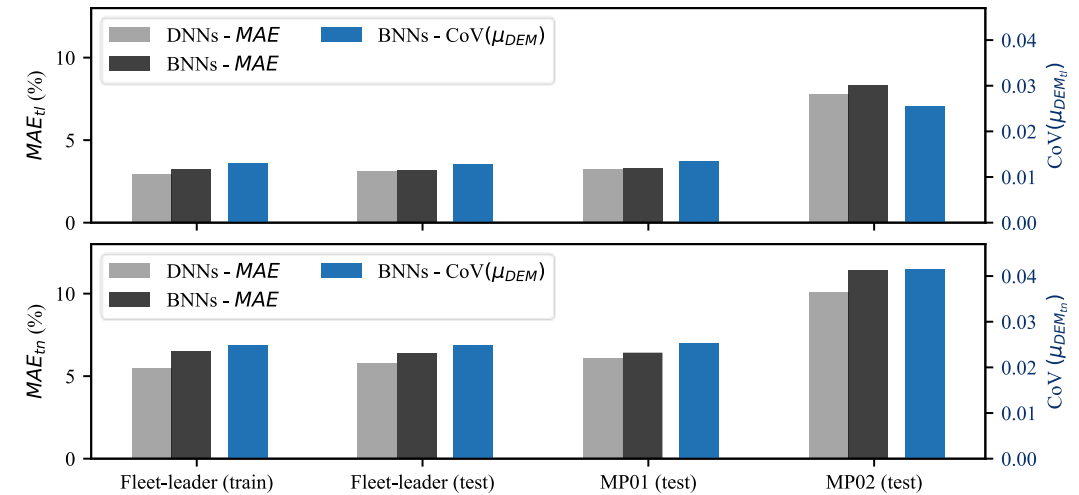


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Model uncertainty (BNN's output only, no labels)

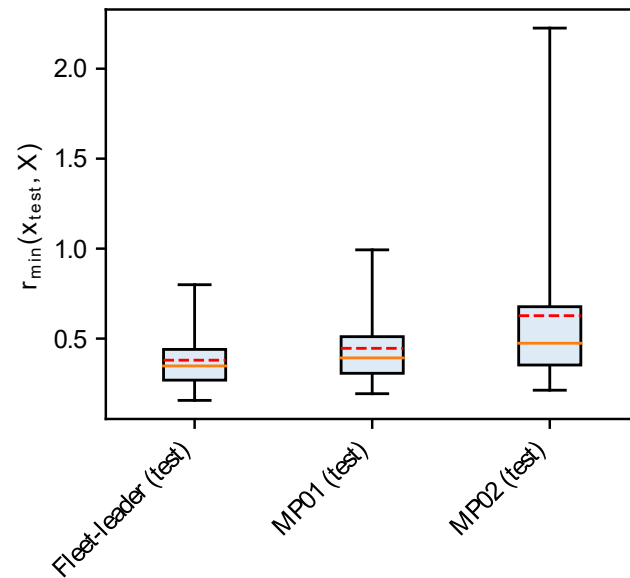


Comparison against labels (DNNs Vs BNNs)

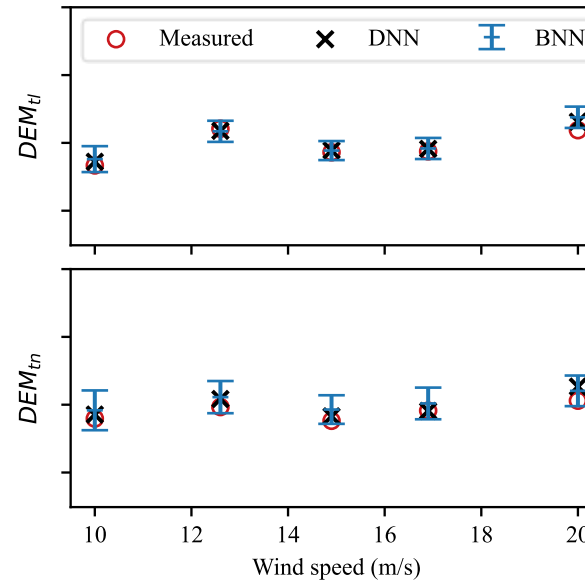


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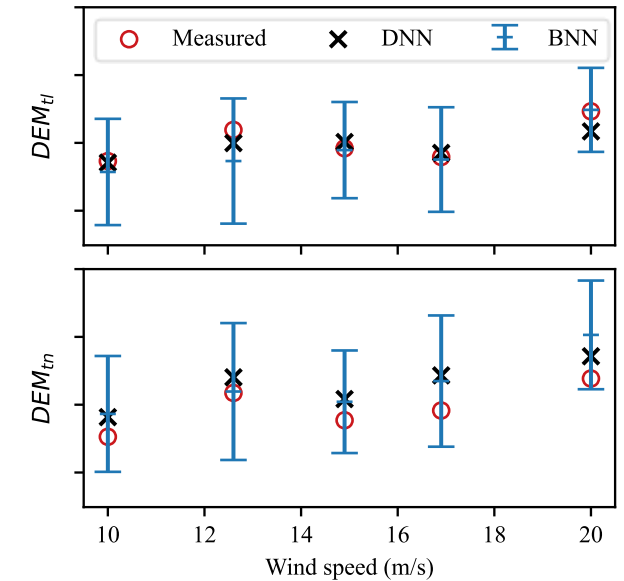
Minimum Euclidean distances to the nearest training point



In-training point

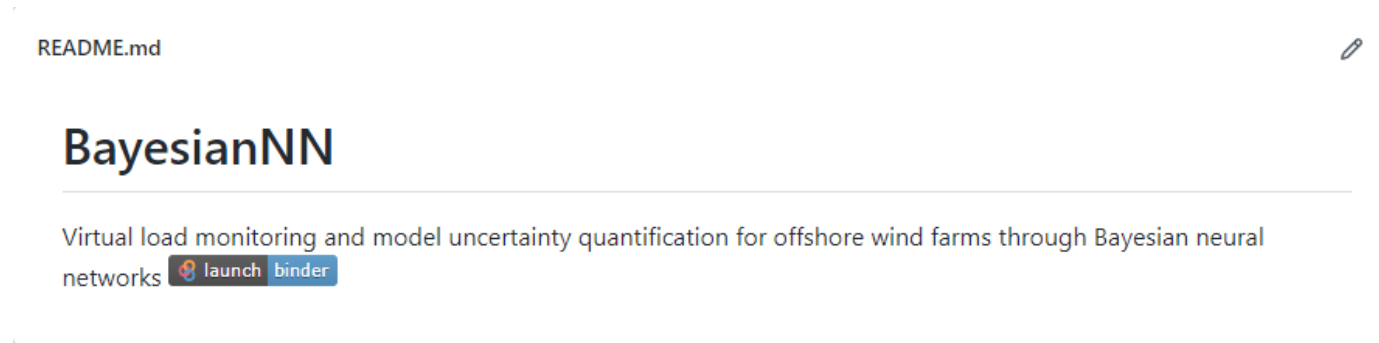


Out-of-training point



Hands-on experience

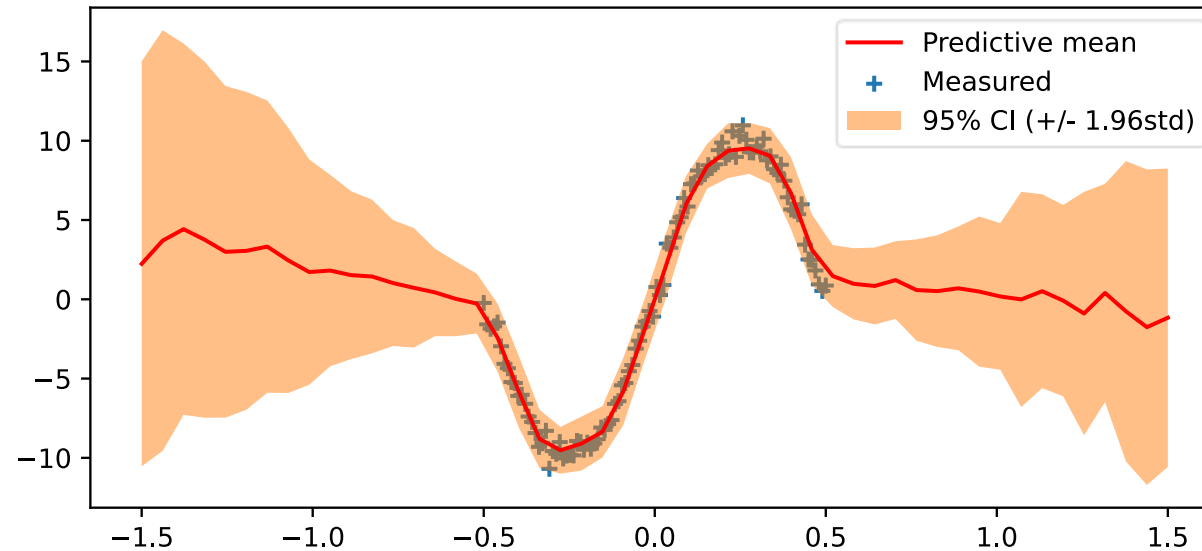
- Go to [Github.com/Nandarhline](https://github.com/Nandarhline).
- The name of the repository is 'BayesianNN'.
- Launch binder in README.md



- Case(1): Synthetic data with constant noise
- Case(2): Adding training data from different regions
- Case(3): Synthetic data with varied noise

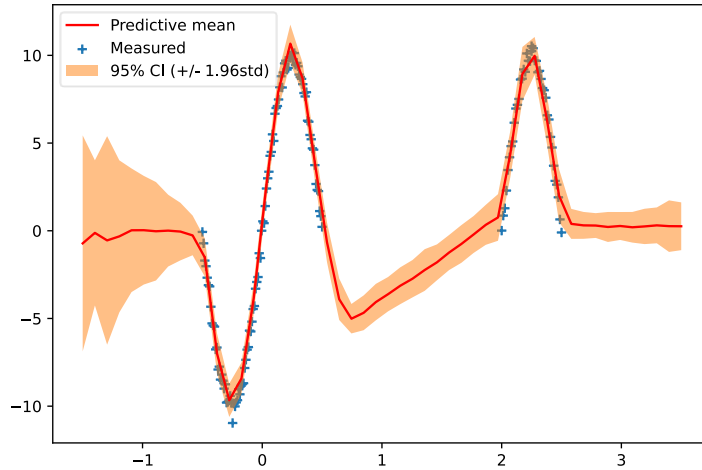
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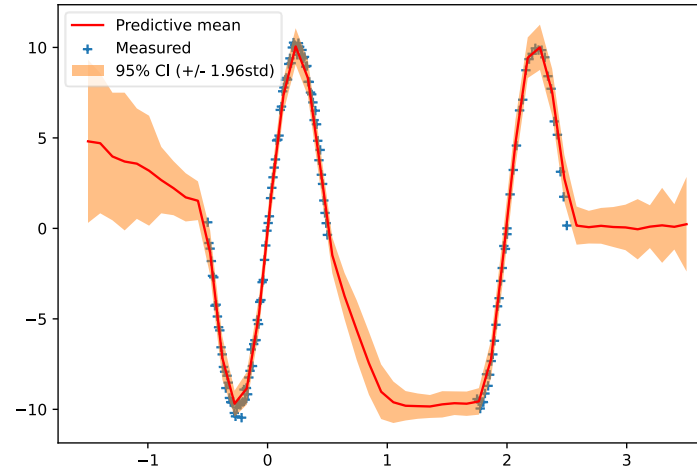


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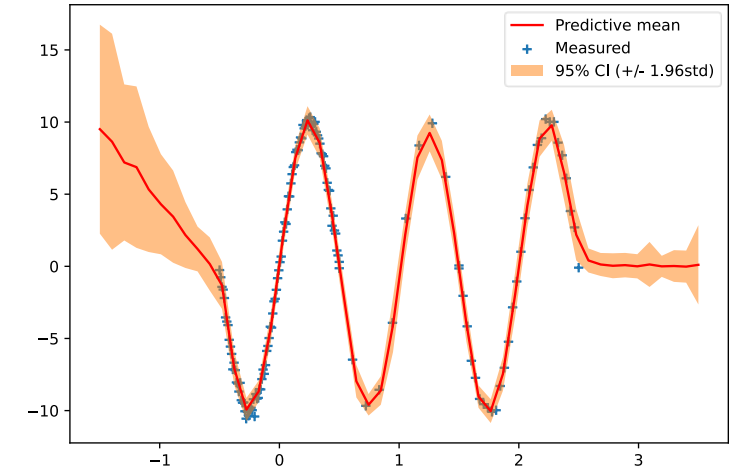
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20 points between 2 and 2.25
20 points between 2.25 and 2.5



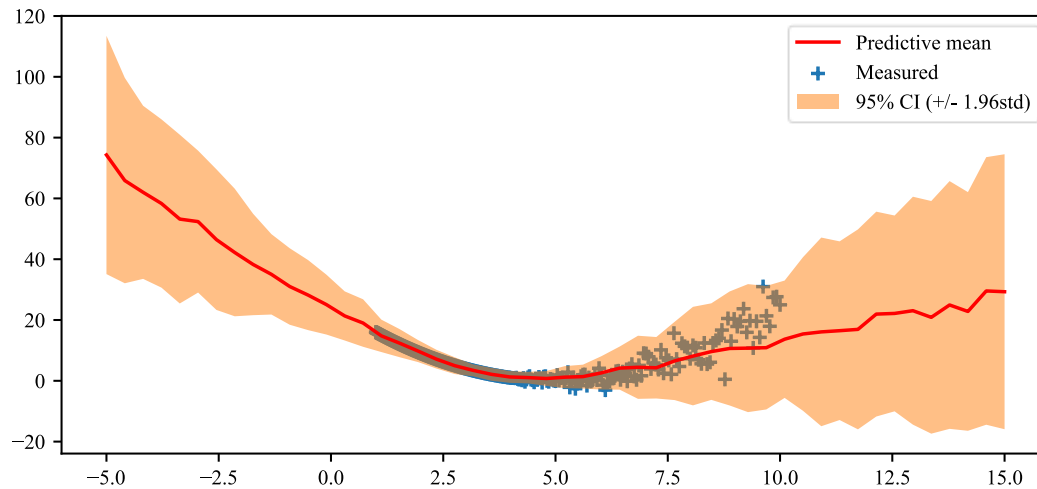
20 points between 1.75 and 2
20 points between 2 and 2.5



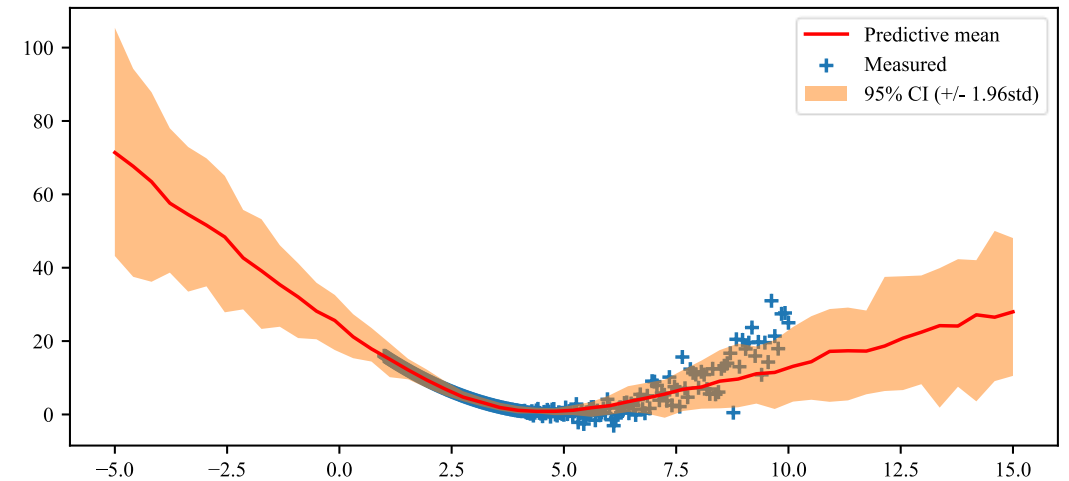
10 points between 0.5 and 1.5
30 points between 1.5 and 2.5

Hands-on experience

- Case(3): Synthetic data with varied noise



Overall predictive uncertainty



Model uncertainty

Future work

- To identify new optimal training points.
- To compare with kernel-based methods, e.g., Gaussian processes.
- To implement in decision-making for life-cycle management.



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