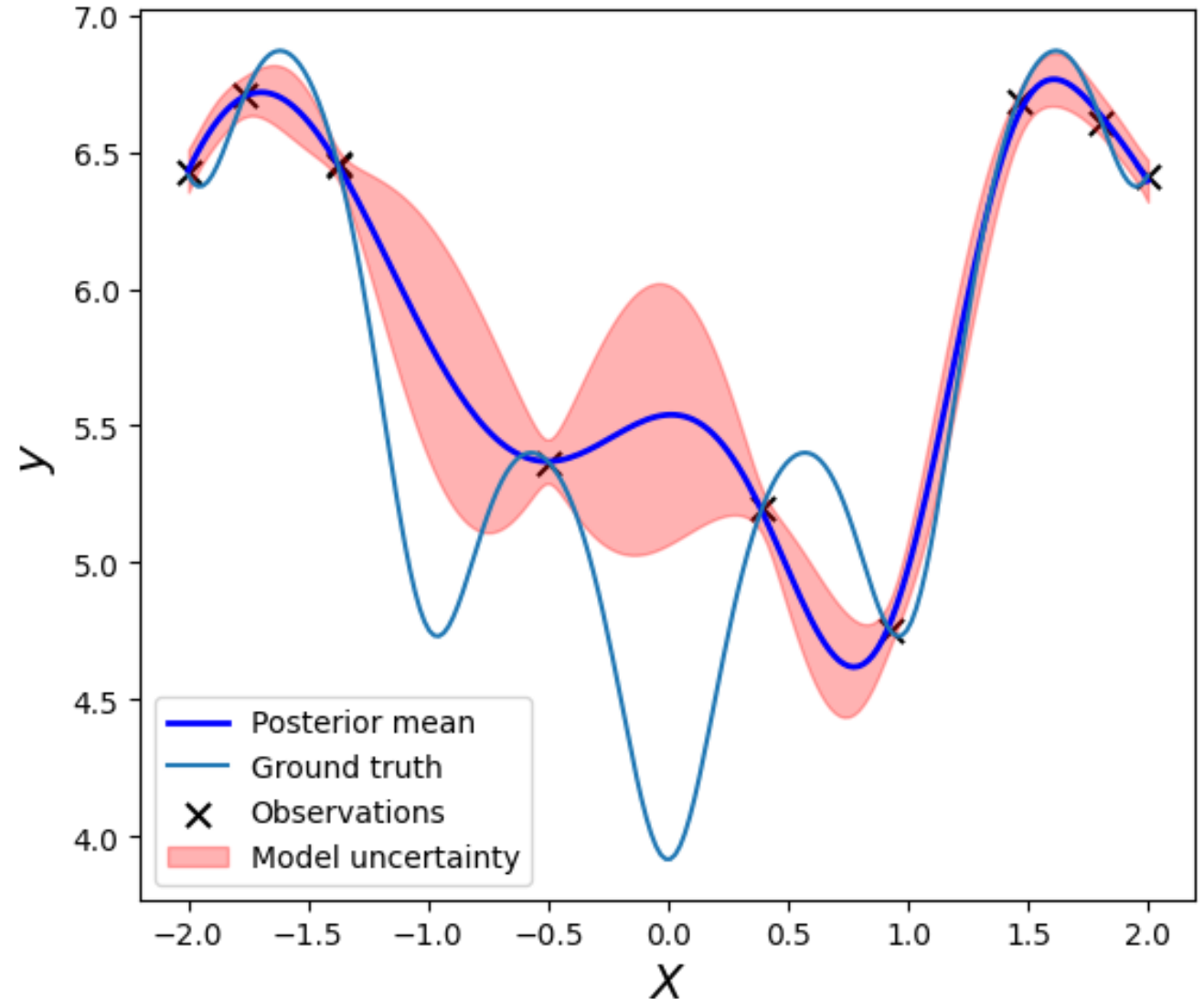


Lecture 21: Noise and Structured Gaussian Processes

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What have we learned

- Gaussian Process
- Kernel and kernel parameters
- Kernel Priors
- Noise Priors
- Posteriors
- Bayesian Optimization
- Bayesian Optimization based on Gaussian Process
- Acquisition Functions
- Cost-award BO



... there are **known knowns**; there are things we know we know. We also know there are **known unknowns**; that is to say we know there are some things we do not know. But there are also **unknown unknowns**—the ones we don't know we don't know. And if one looks throughout the history of our country and other free countries, it is the latter category that tends to be the difficult ones.

D. Rumsfeld

But what about noises?

Gaussian Process learns the noise and kernel function while exploring parameter space. What if the noise level is not constant?

$$f(x) \sim \mathcal{GP}(m(x), k(x, x'))$$

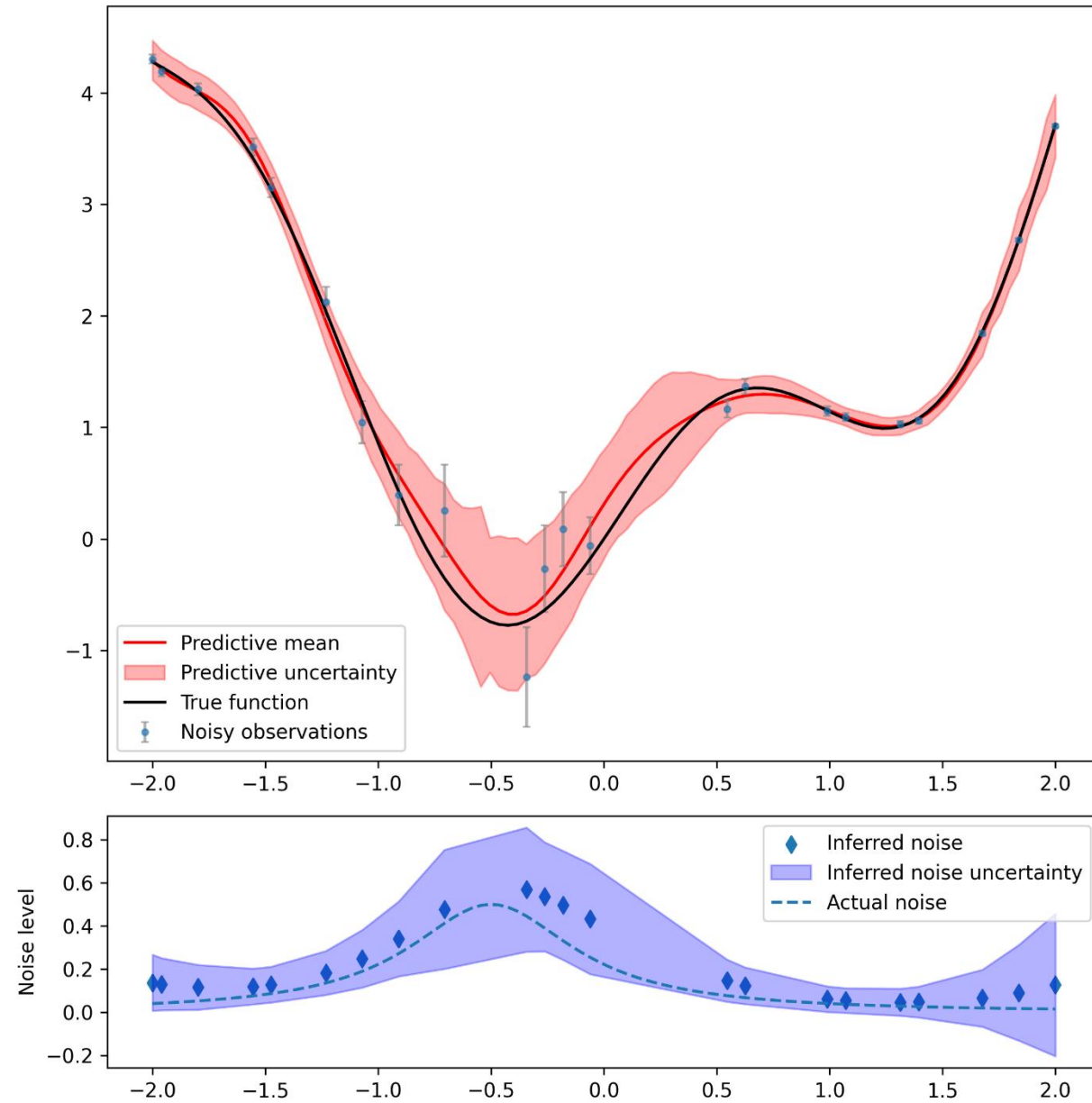
$$y(x) = f(x) + \sigma(\textcolor{violet}{x})$$

Solution: heteroscedastic GP uses

- one GP for function, and
- another GP for the noise

Note that we can **create models** for function and noise (structured GP)

Heteroscedastic GP



But what if the noise can be measured?

In many experimental scenarios, the experiment can be configured so that the noise can be measured (or estimated).

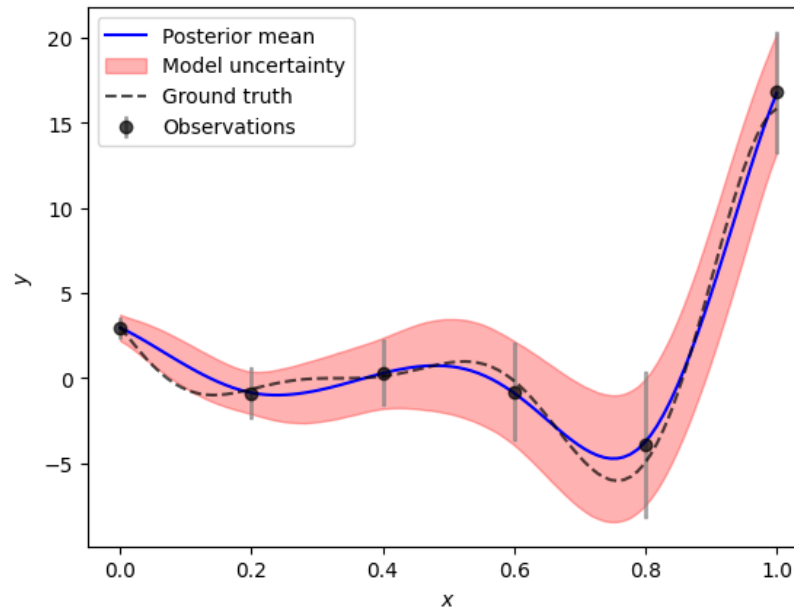
For example, it is often easier to measure multiple times (indentation curves, spectra, etc) at one location rather than move around

Alternatively, noise can be estimated from single measurement.

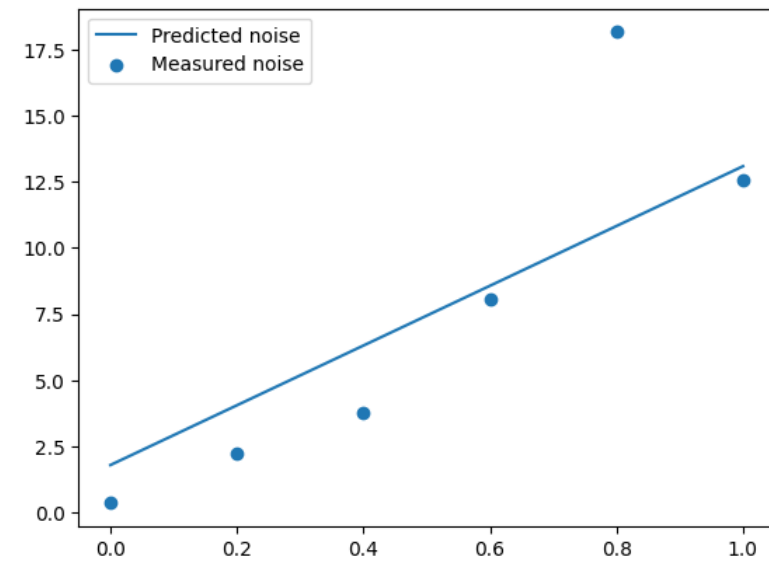
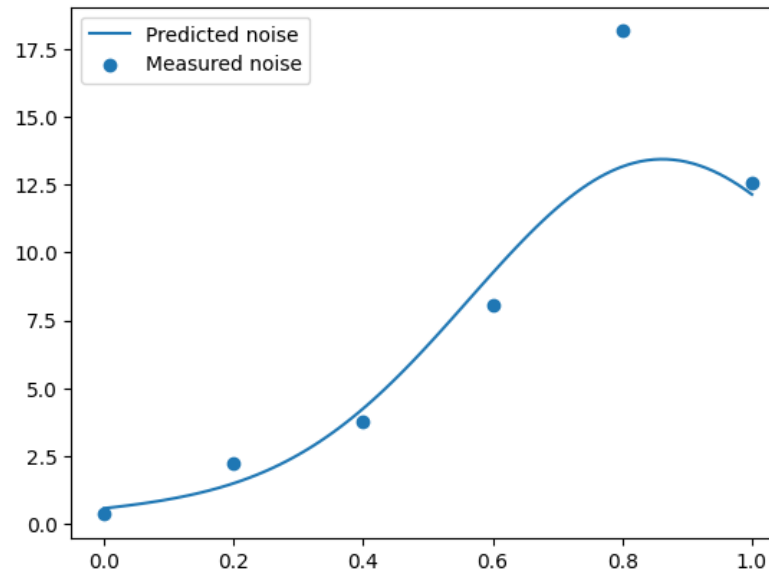
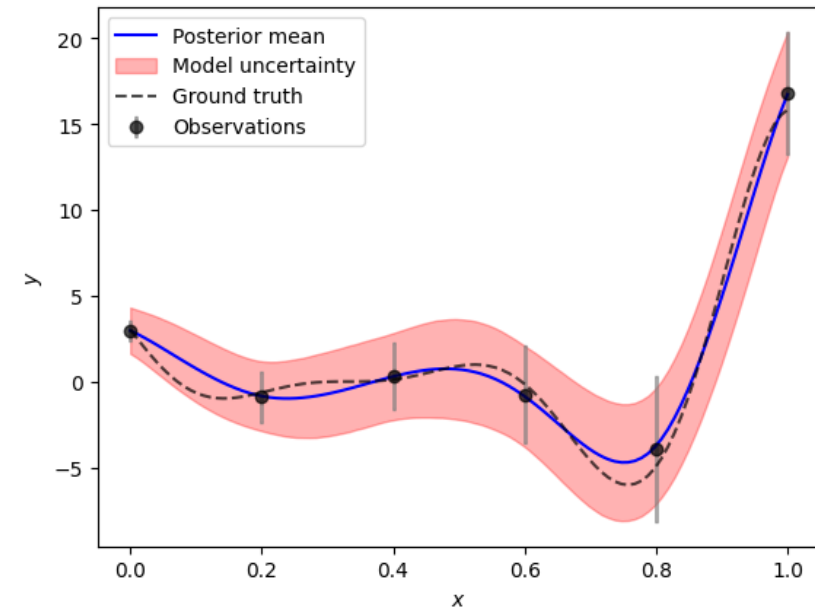
Note that we still need **noise model** even when the noise is measured, since we need to have an estimate of noise at the yet-unmeasured locations

Measured Noise GP

GP regression

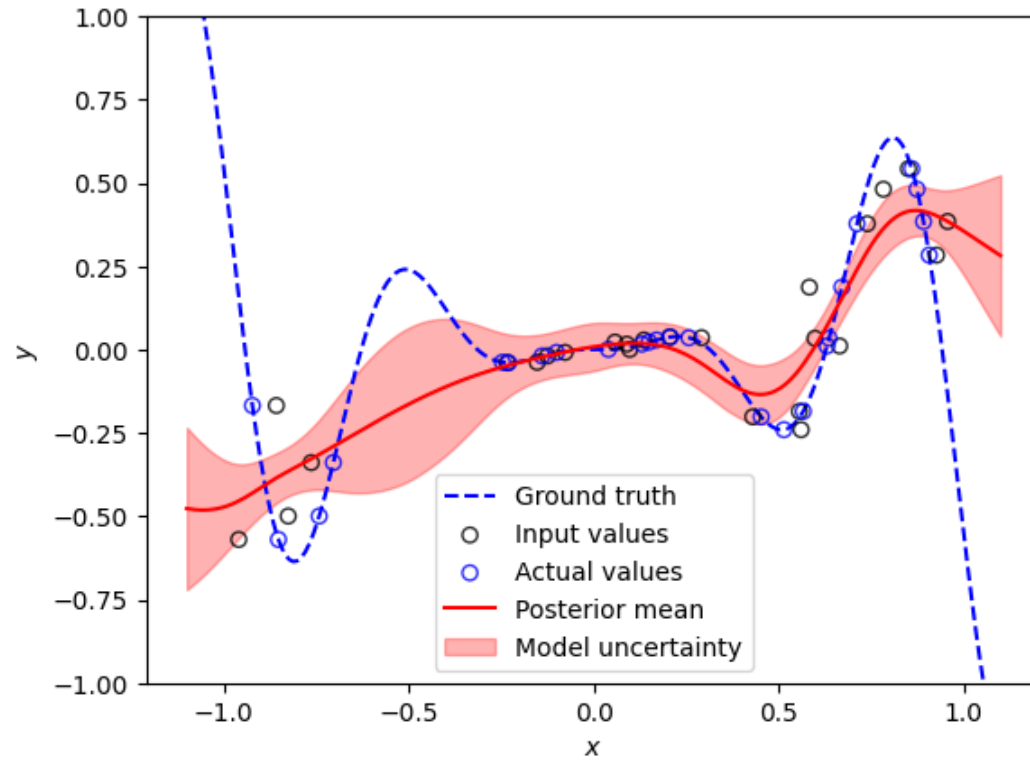


Linear regression

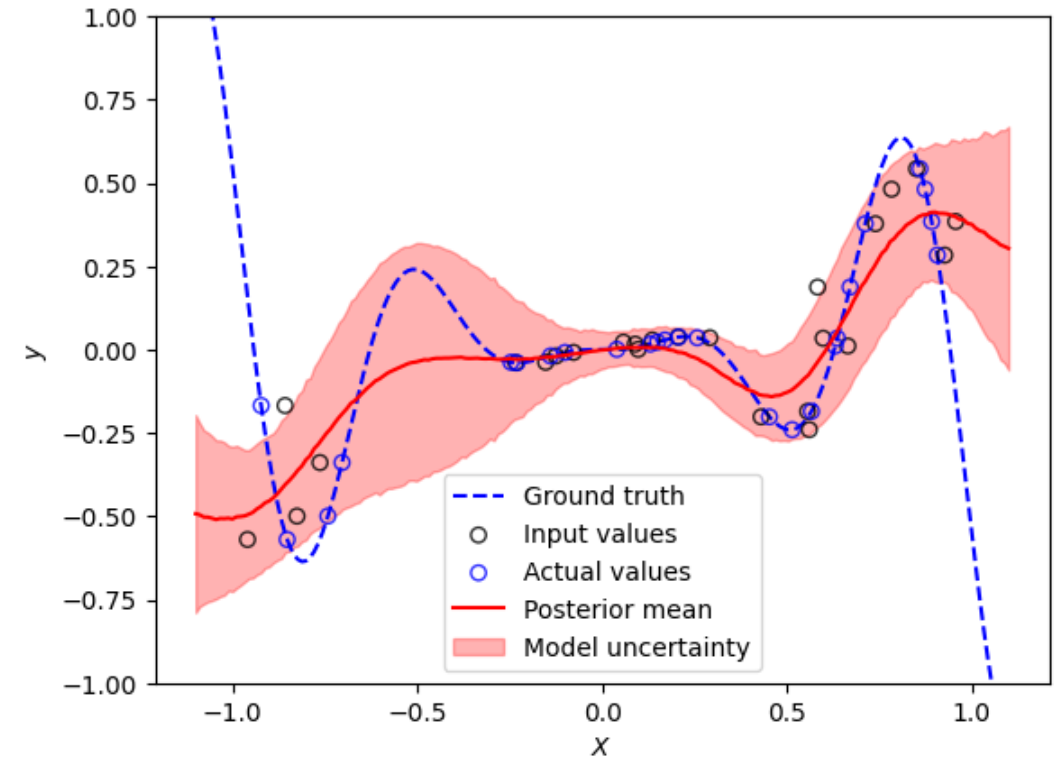


What if the measurement location is uncertain?

Simple GP



Uncertain Measurement



Automated Experiment: ... as a scientist...

Bayesian optimization:

1. Works only in low-dimensional spaces
2. The correlations are defined by the kernel function (very limiting)
3. We do not use any knowledge about physics of the system
4. We do not use cheap information available during the experiment (proxies)

GP Augmented with Structural model

Define a probabilistic model:

$$\mathbf{y} \sim MVNormal(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{K})$$

$$K_{ij} = \sigma^2 \exp(0.5(x_i - x_j)^2 / l^2)$$

$$\sigma \sim LogNormal(0, s_1)$$

$$l \sim LogNormal(0, s_2)$$

- We substitute a constant GP prior mean function \mathbf{m} with a structured probabilistic model of the expected behavior.
- This probabilistic model reflects our prior knowledge about the system, but it does not have to be precise.
- The model parameters are inferred together with the kernel parameters via the Hamiltonian Monte Carlo.
- The fully Bayesian treatment of the model allows additional control over the optimization via the selection of priors for the model parameters.

Prediction on new data X_* :

$$\mathbf{f}_*^i \sim MVNormal(\mu_{\theta^i}^{\text{post}}, \Sigma_{\theta^i}^{\text{post}})$$

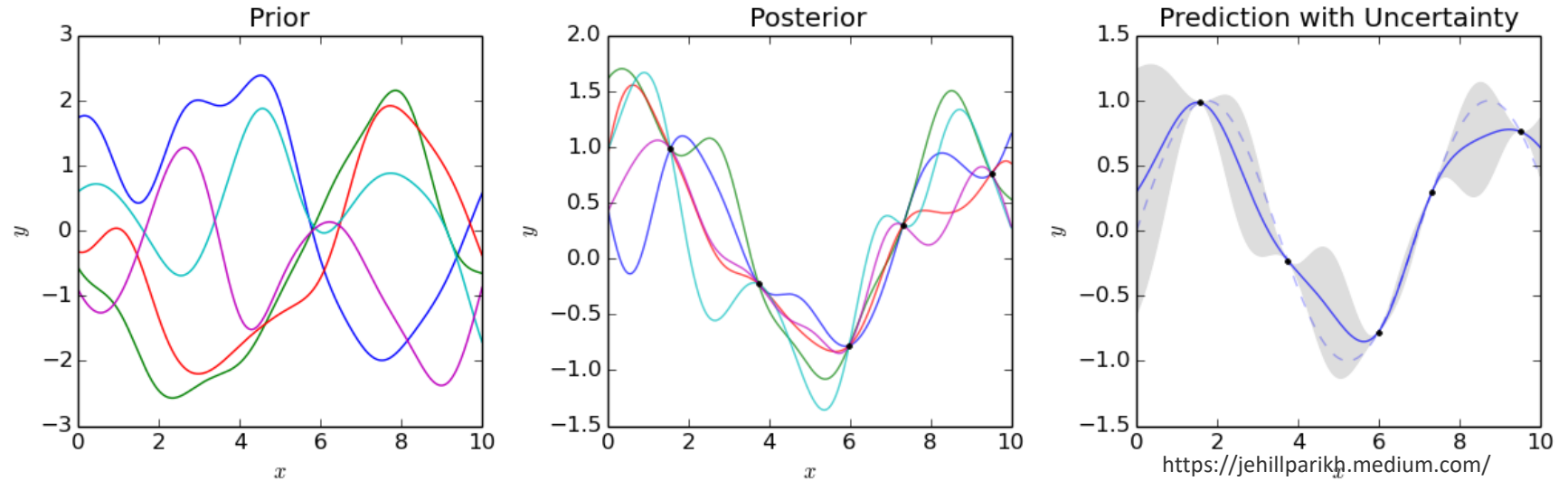
$$\mu_{\theta^i}^{\text{post}} = \mathbf{m}(X_*) + \mathbf{K}(X_*, X | \theta^i) \mathbf{K}(X, X | \theta^i)^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{m}(X)) \xrightarrow{\text{replaced with}} \mu_{\Omega^i}^{\text{post}} = \mathbf{m}(X_* | \phi^i) + \mathbf{K}(X_*, X | \theta^i) \mathbf{K}(X, X | \theta^i)^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{m}(X | \phi^i))$$

$$\Sigma_{\theta^i}^{\text{post}} = \mathbf{K}(X_*, X_* | \theta^i) - \mathbf{K}(X_*, X | \theta^i) \mathbf{K}(X, X | \theta^i)^{-1} \mathbf{K}(X, X_* | \theta^i)$$

$\Omega^i = \{\phi^i, \theta^i\}$ is a single HMC posterior sample with the kernel and prob model parameters

GP Augmented with Structural Model

Standard Gaussian process aims to discover function based on learned correlations (kernel)



Probabilistic model

Prior predictive distribution

$$m = y_0 - \sum_{n=1}^N L_n \quad (N=2)$$

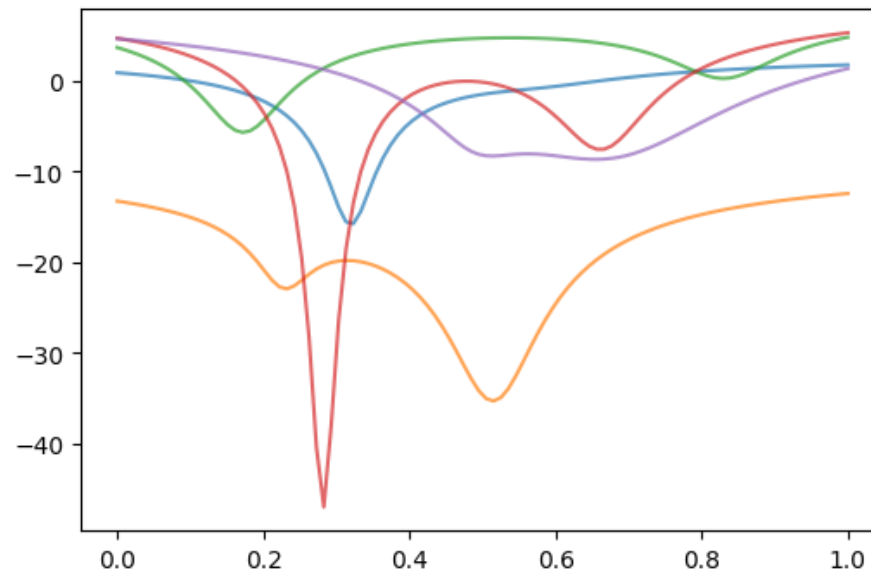
$$y_0 \sim \text{Uniform}(-10, 10)$$

$$L_n \sim \frac{A_n}{\sqrt{(x - x_n^0)^2 + w_n^2}}$$

$$A_n \sim \text{LogNormal}(0, 1)$$

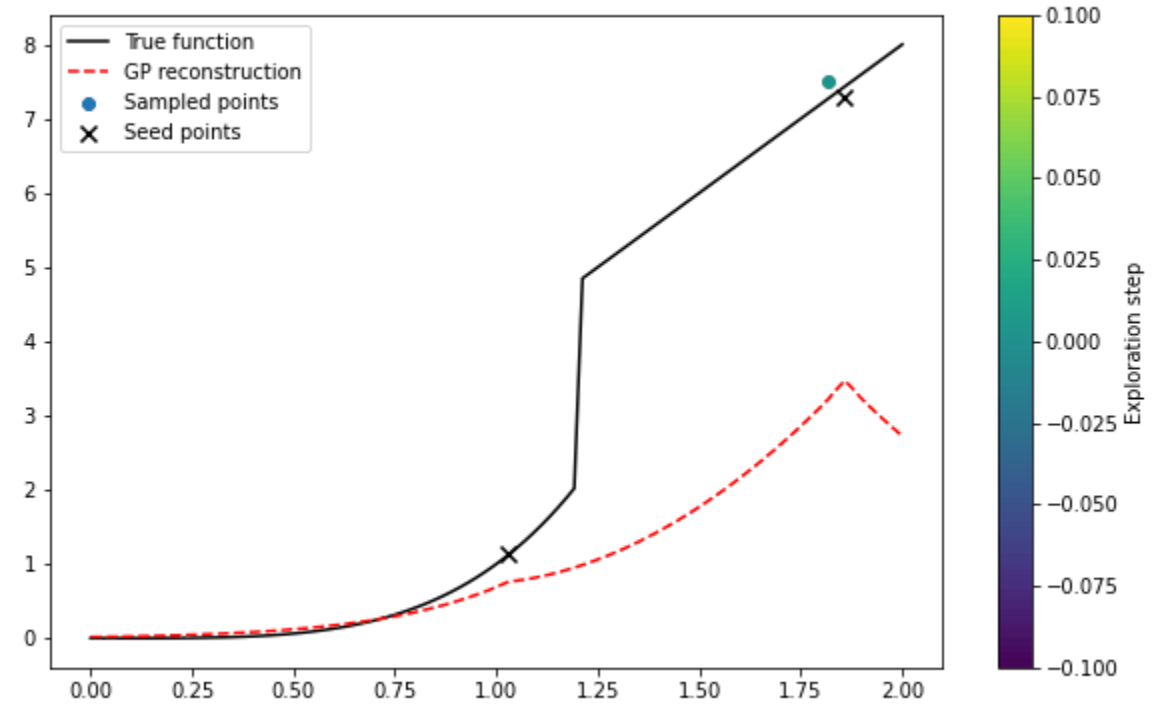
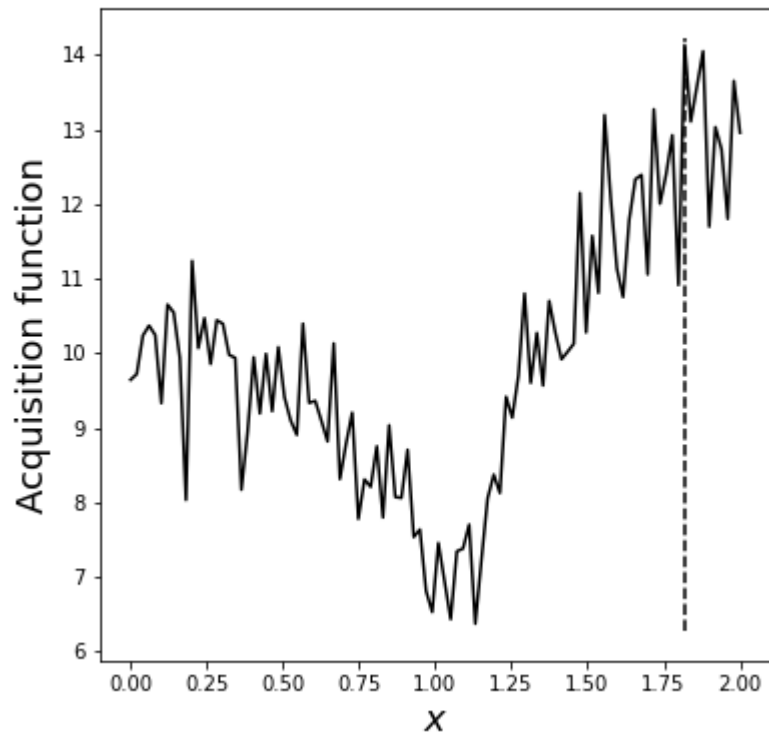
$$w_n \sim \text{HalfNormal}(.1)$$

$$x_n^0 \sim \text{Uniform}(0, 1)$$

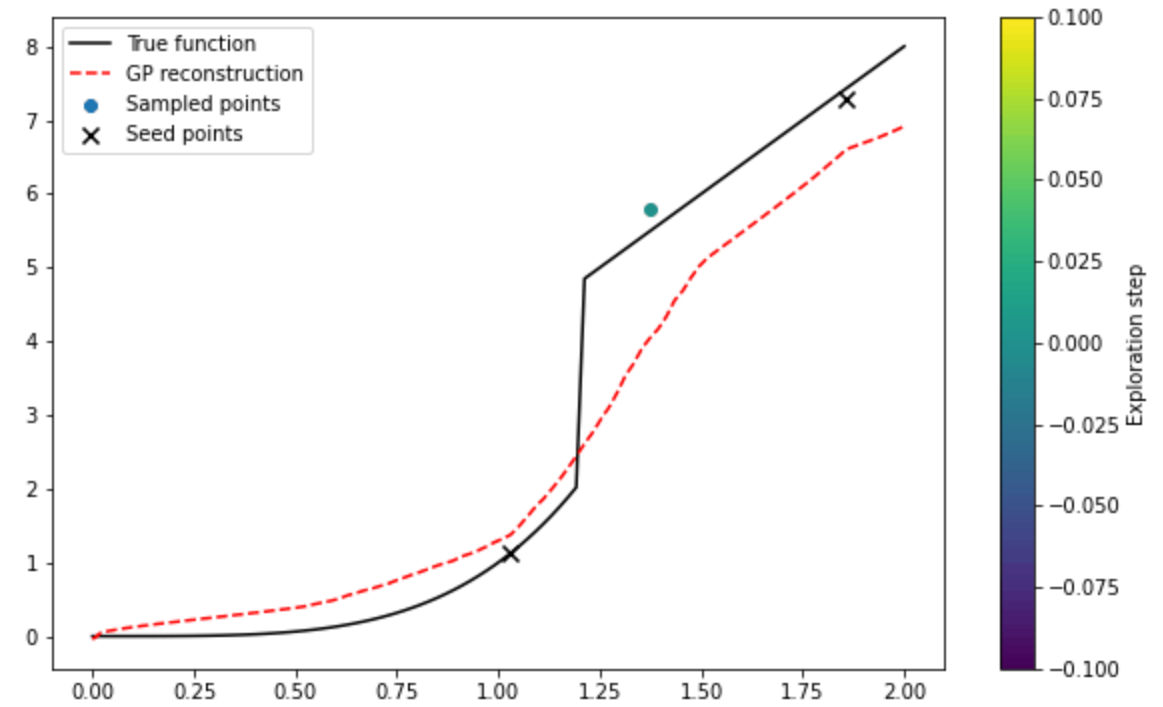
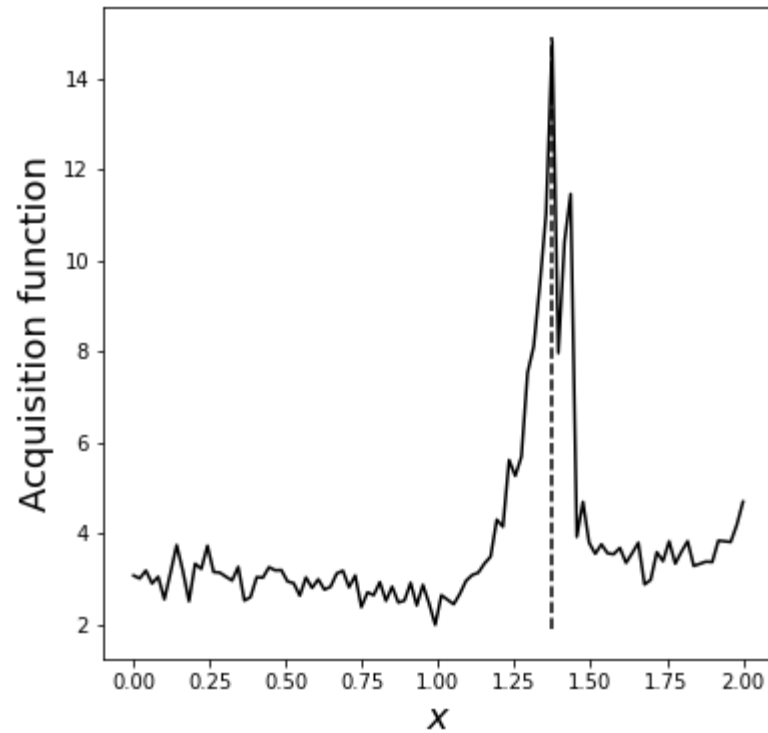


This model simply tells us that there are two minima in our data but does not assume to have any prior knowledge about their relative depth, width, or distance

Simple GP search



Structured GP search



Application to Ising model

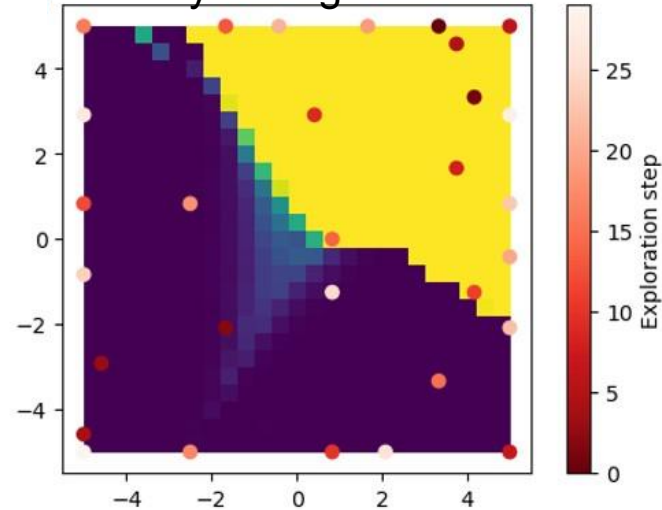
Probabilistic model

$$A/\tanh\left(\frac{f(J_1)+f(J_2)}{w}\right)$$

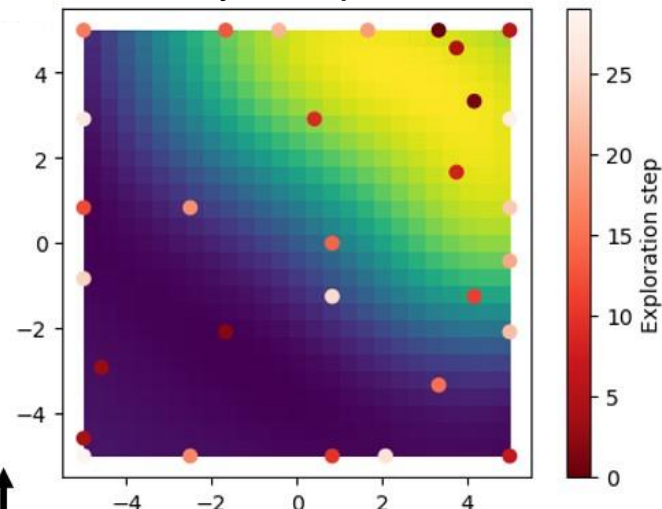
where $f(J)$ is a third-degree polynomial with normal priors on its parameters

Vanilla GP-BO

overlay with 'ground truth'

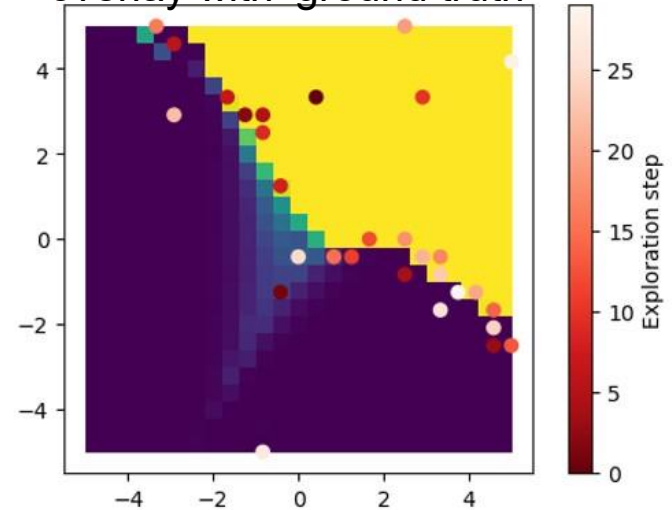


overlay with prediction

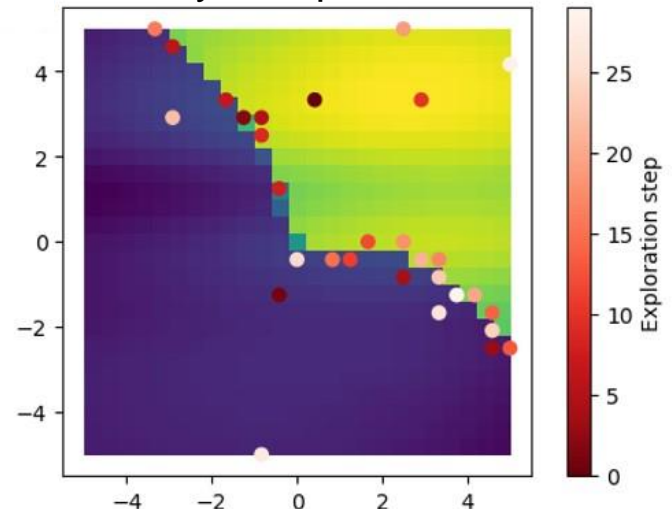


sGP-BO

overlay with 'ground truth'



overlay with prediction

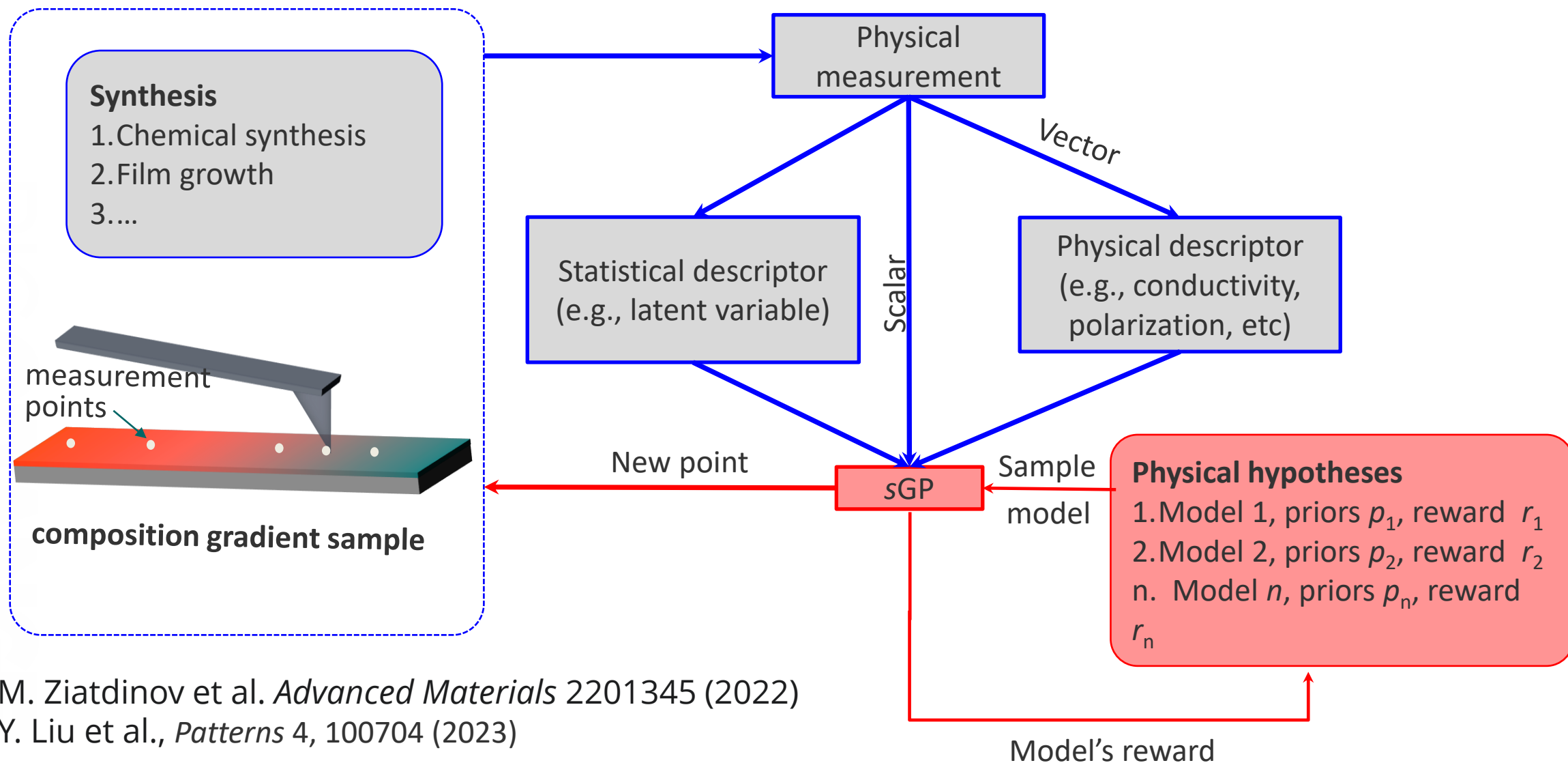


J_2
 J_1

Hypothesis Active Learning

Co-navigation of experimental and hypothesis spaces

Goal: Learn (1) physical property distribution and (2) a correct model of system's behavior



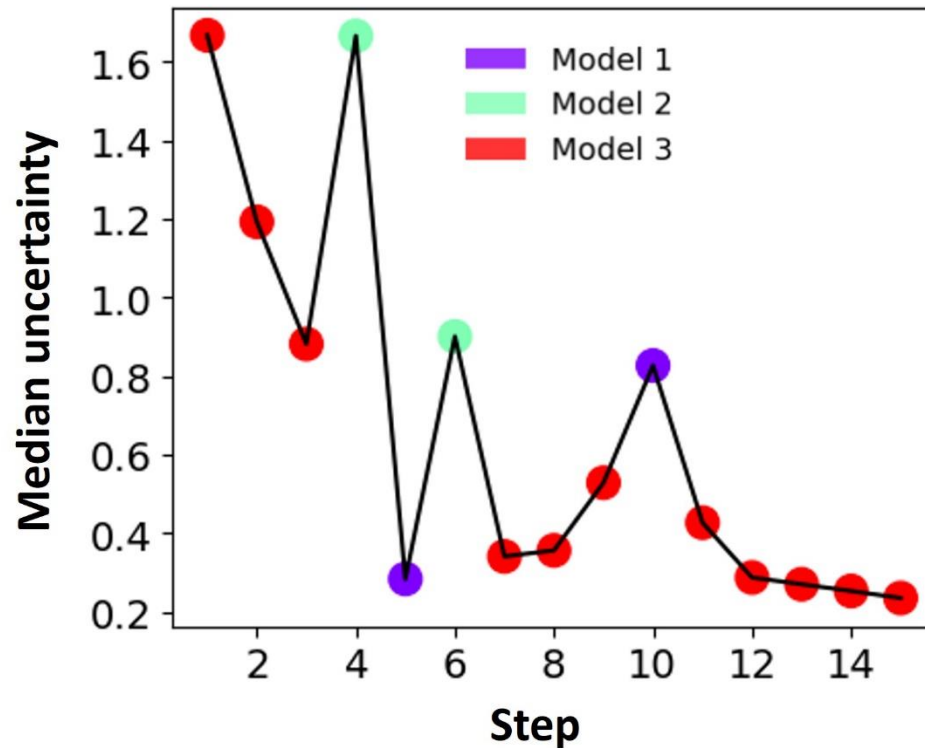
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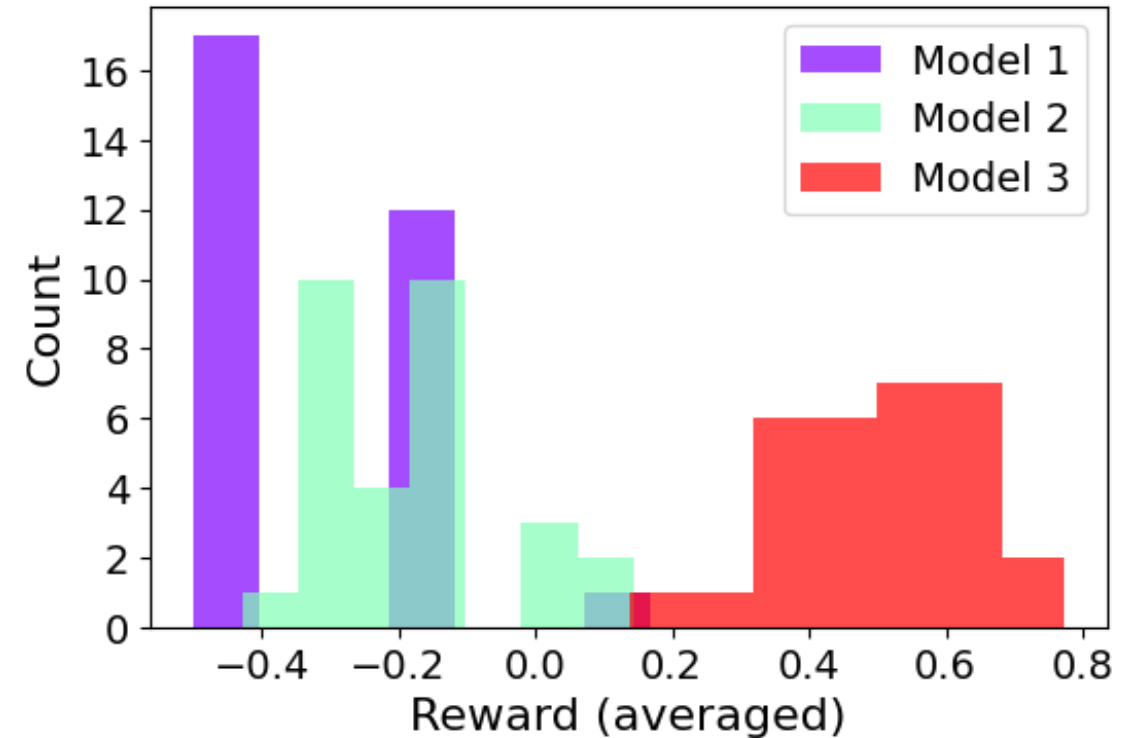
Hypothesis Learning: Synthetic data

Synthetic data represents a 1D discontinuous phase transition

Evolution of uncertainty for a single seed



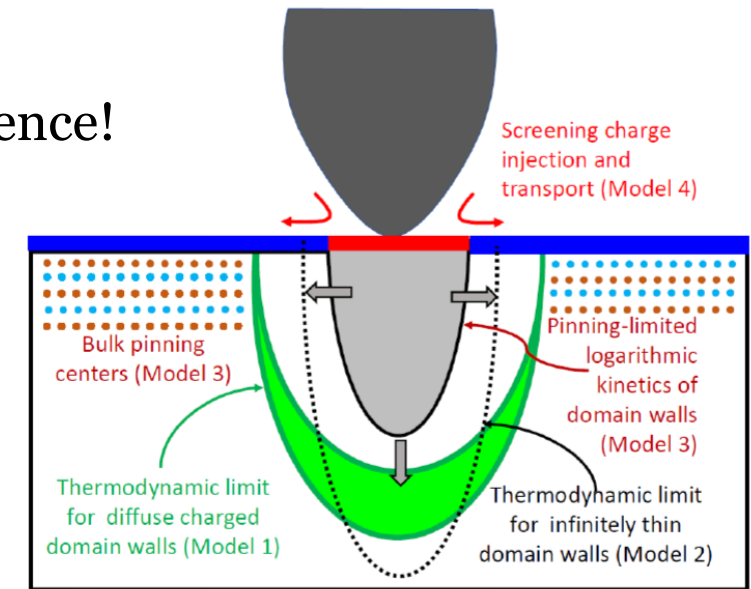
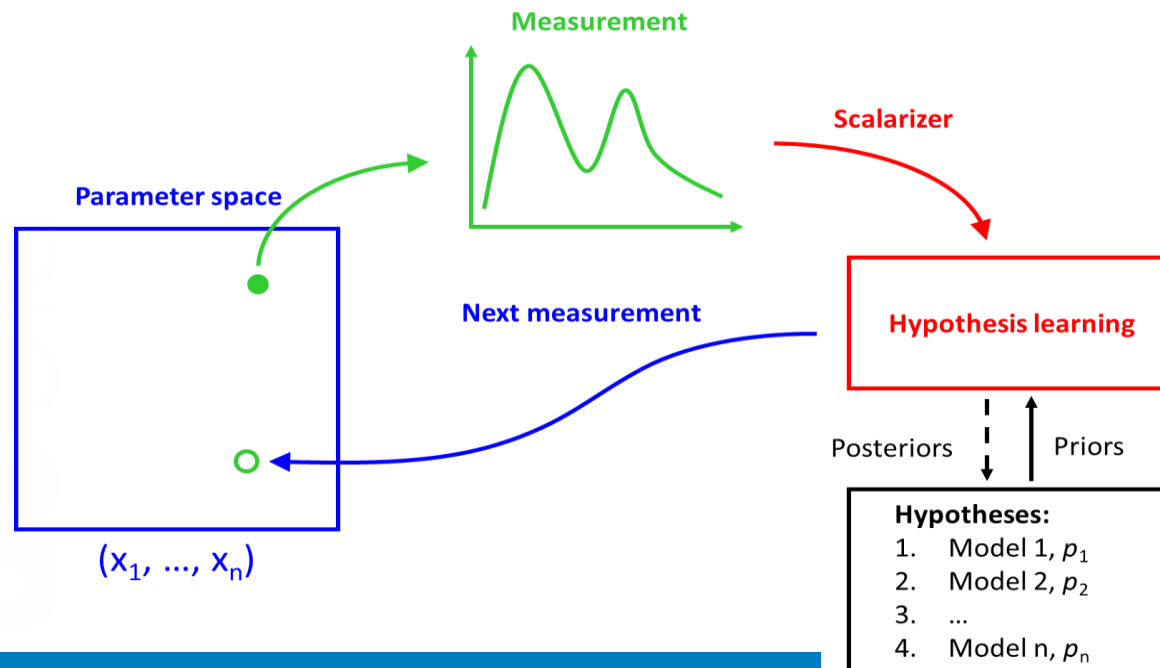
Results for 30 random seeds



The hypothesis learning learns a correct data distribution with a small number of sparse measurements while also identifying a correct model that describes the system's behavior

Hypothesis Learning

- Can ML algorithm think like a scientist?
- Yes – automated experiment can pursue hypothesis-driven science!



Model Equation

Thermodynamic 1

Model I

$$r(V) = r_{cr} + r_0 \sqrt{\left(\frac{V}{V_c}\right)^{2/3} - 1}$$

Thermodynamic 2

Model II

$$r(V) = r_{cr} + r_0 \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{V}{V_c}\right)^2 - 1}$$

Wall pinning

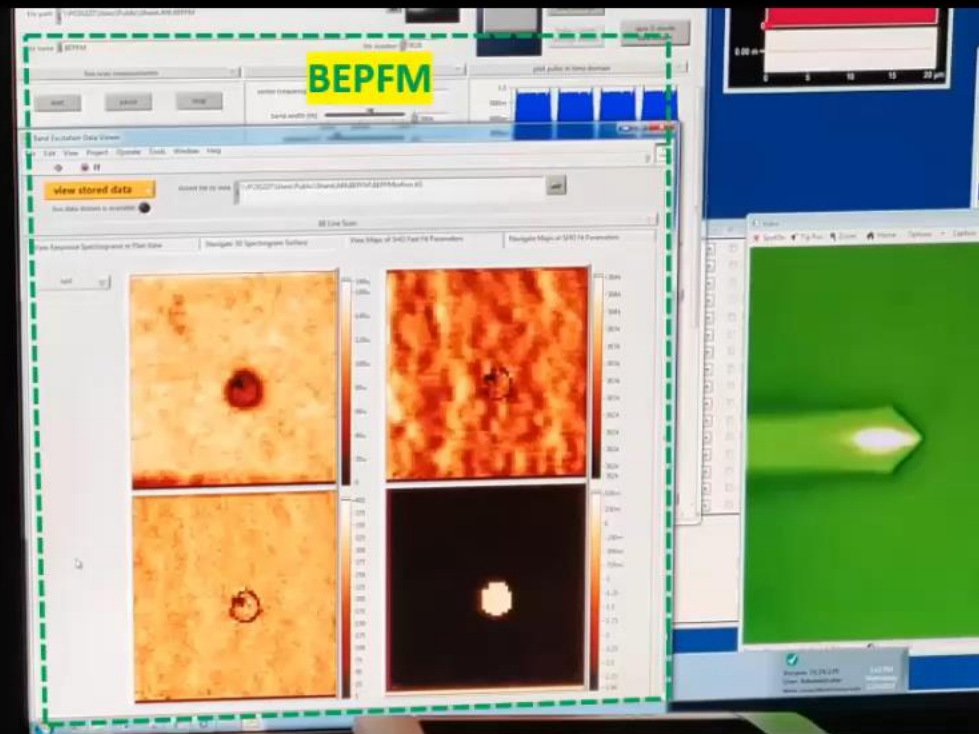
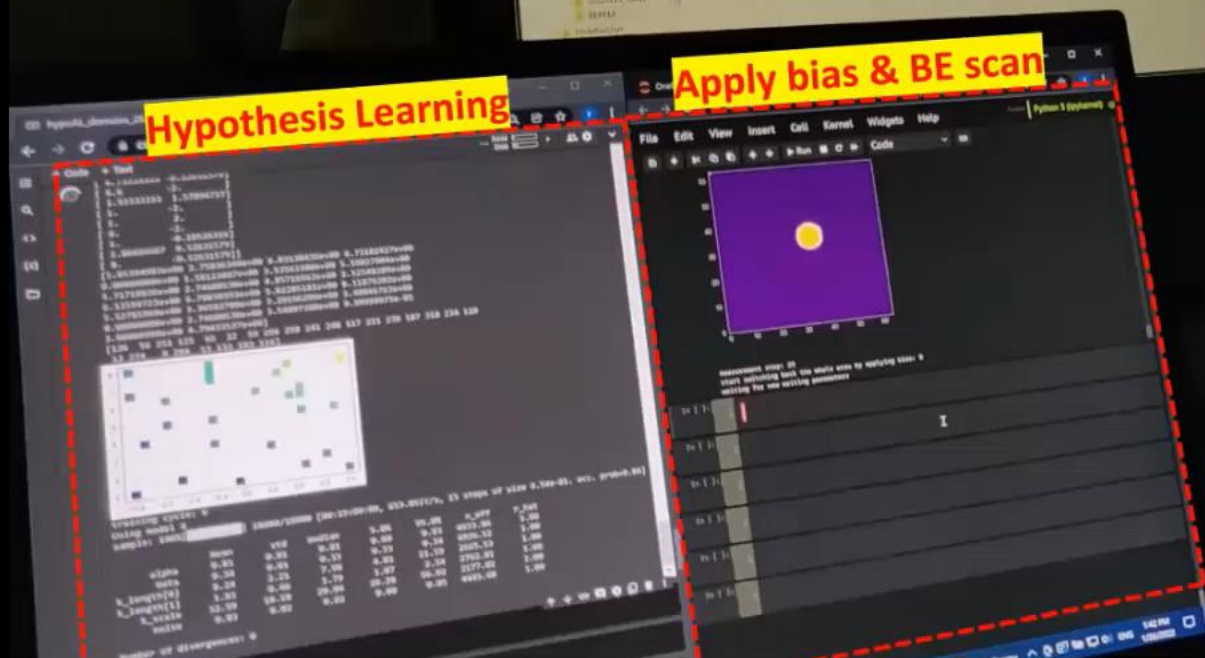
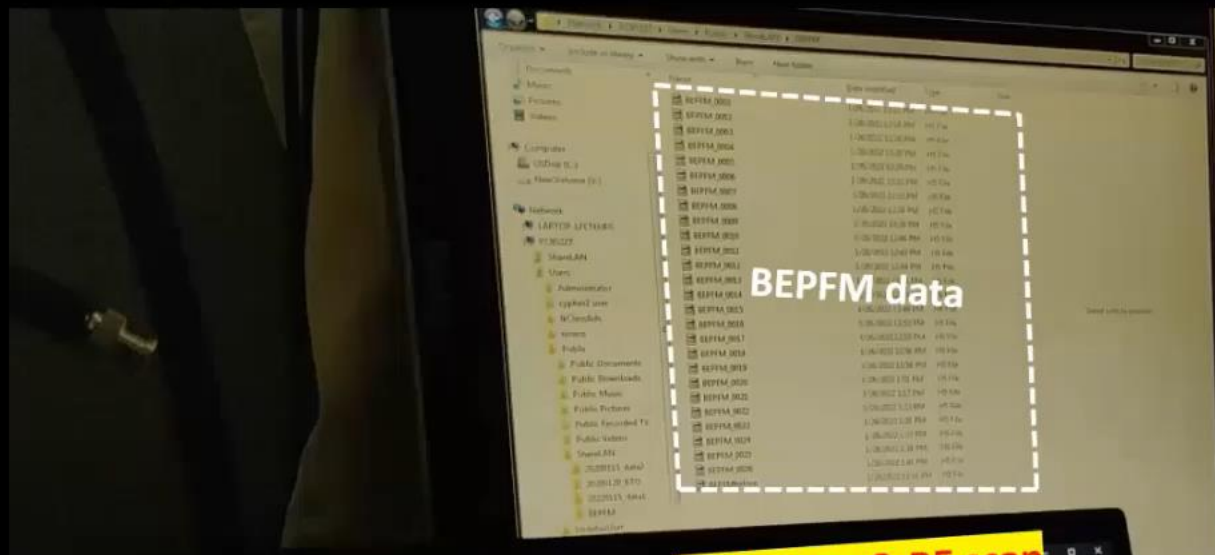
Model III

$$r(V, t) = V^\alpha \log \tau$$

Charge injection

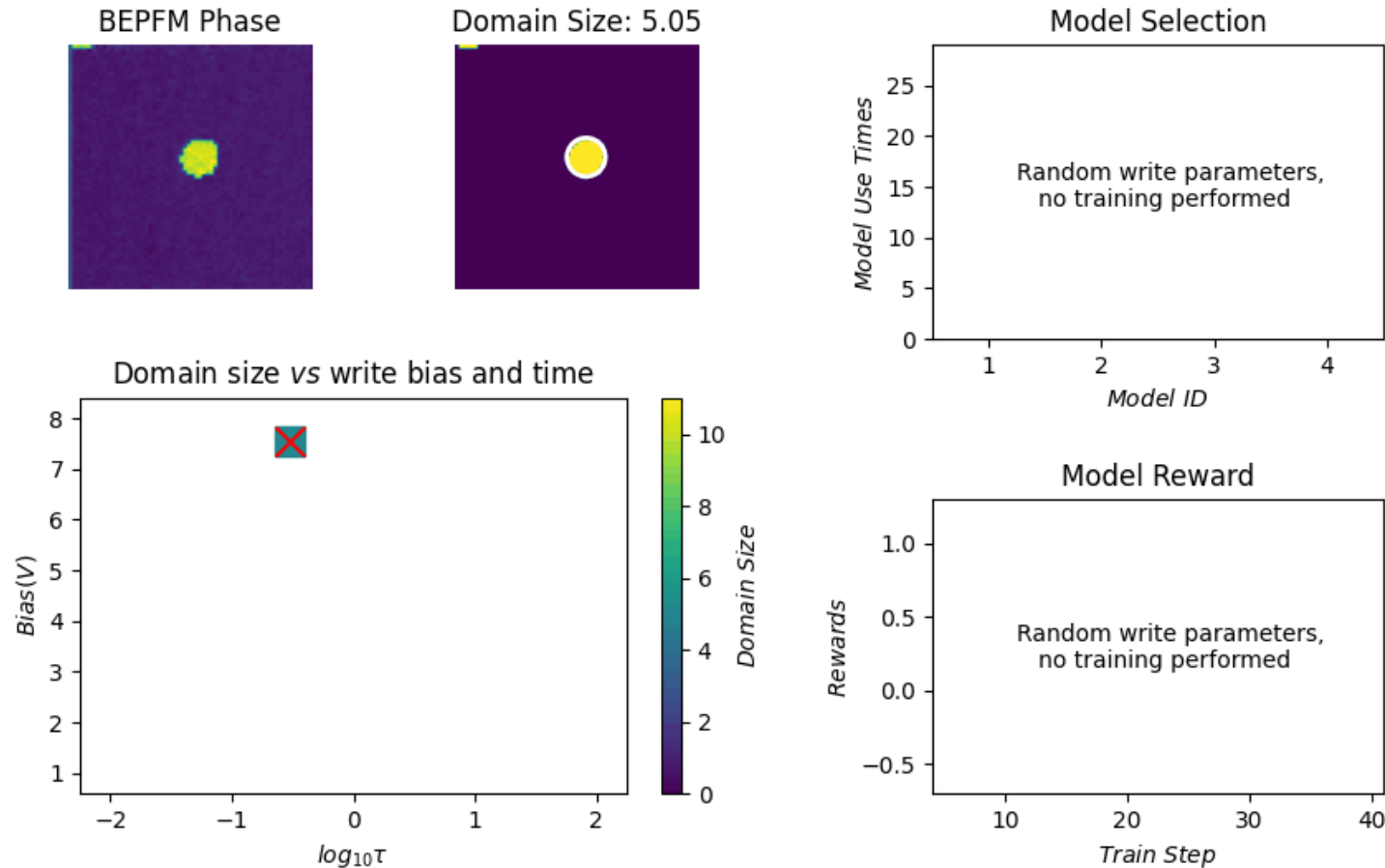
Model IV

$$r(V, t) = V^\alpha \tau^\beta$$



Hypothesis learning in action

Step 1, Random Write Parameters
Write Bias: -7.53V, Write Time: 0.298S



- ML algorithm has 4 competing hypothesis on domain switching mechanisms
- These hypothesis represent full set of possibilities for this system
- The microscope chooses experimental parameters in such a way as to establish which hypothesis is correct fastest
- Important: the same approach can be implemented in synthesis and electrical characterization
- Machine learning meets hypothesis-driven scientific discovery!

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Combinatorial Synthesis

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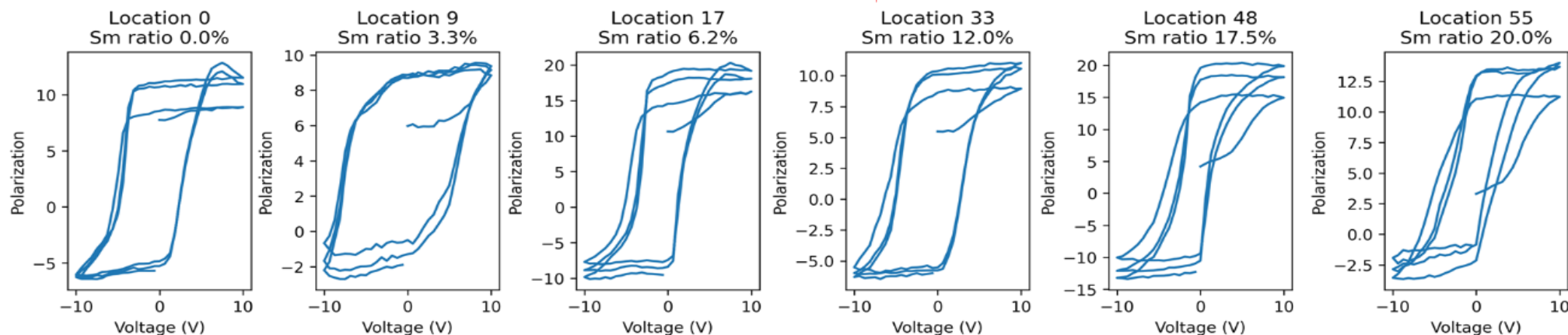
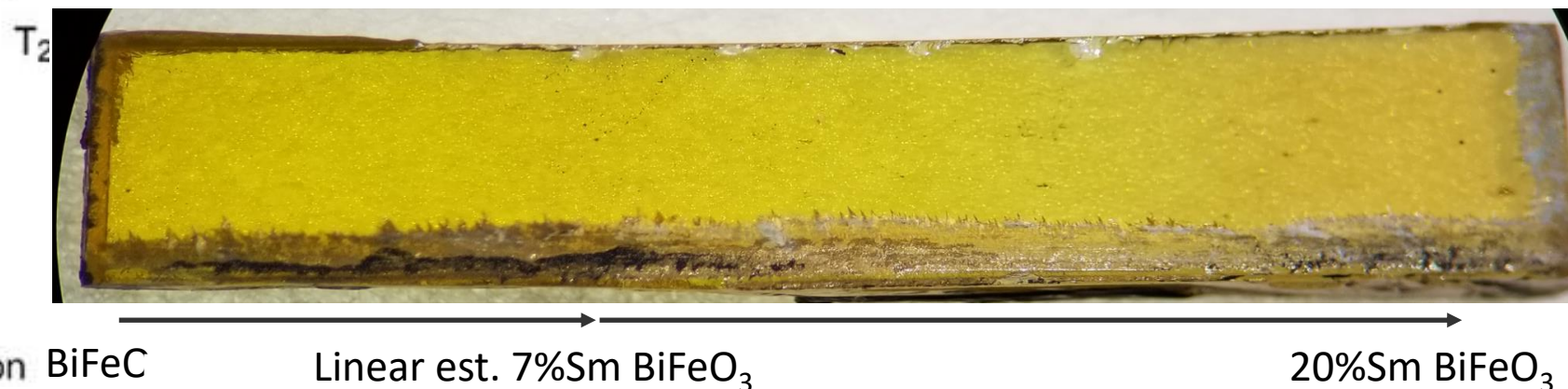
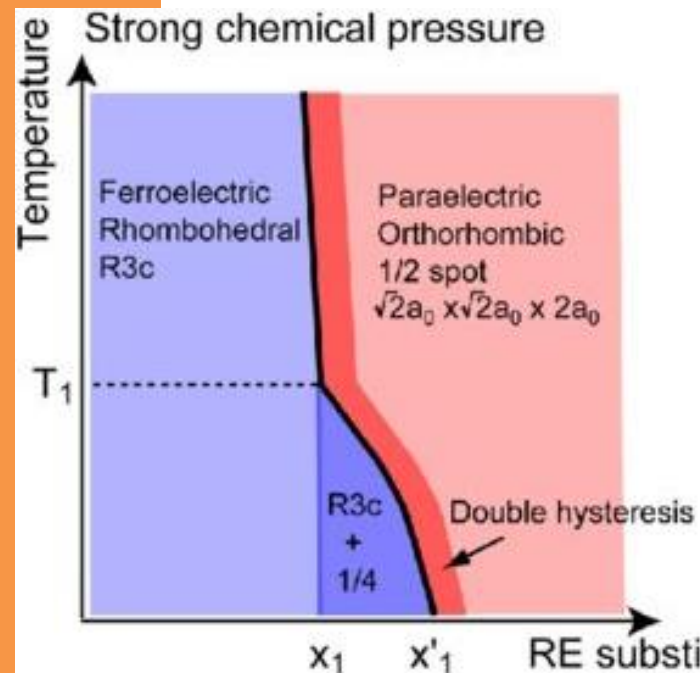
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Hypothesis Selection for Ferroelectric

Model 1 (second order phase transition):

$$S = \begin{cases} S_0 \left(1 - \frac{x}{x_0}\right)^2 + C, & x \leq x_c, \\ C, & x > x_c \end{cases}$$

Model 2 (first order phase transition):

$$S = \begin{cases} S_0 \left(1 - \frac{x}{x_0}\right)^{\frac{5}{4}} + C_0, & x \leq x_c, \\ C_1, & x > x_c \end{cases}$$

