

Machine Learning and Automated Experiment

1. Machine learning is now everywhere.... But sometimes it is difficult to see it in the lab!
2. Applying ML in experimental sciences can be a very daunting proposition:
 - a. Understand the problem
 - b. Know (some) ML
 - c. Develop code: from prototype to operationalization
 - d. Implement on the working instrument
 - e. Connect to the cloud
 - f. Understand the results
3. The code base and libraries can change (TF/Keras -> PyTorch -> Jax -> ?)
4. Basic concepts are often incomprehensible

Therefore...

1. We are not going to try to learn all aspects of it. ML in domain/experiment is always a teamwork.
2. The first step is to define your problem – what is that you want to accomplish?
3. The second step is define your hyper language – what are the things that you know how to do (or can learn to do)?
4. The third step is to work backward from your problem and define the workflow in terms of your hyper language. Do you even need machine learning to solve it?
5. For ML, knowing code is (in some sense) secondary. However, it is critical to understand HOW it works.

What have we learned from lectures 1 and 2:

Lecture 1:

- Gaussian Process
- Kernel and kernel parameters
- Kernel Priors
- Noise Priors
- Posteriors

Lecture 2:

- Bayesian Optimization
- Bayesian Optimization based on Gaussian Process
- Acquisition Functions

What have we learned from Lectures 3 and 4

Lecture 3:

- Bayesian Inference
- Prior Distribution
- Posterior Distribution
- Least Square Fit
- WAIC

Lecture 4:

- Structured Gaussian Process
- Prior Distributions (kernel, parameters, noise)
- Posterior Distributions (kernel, parameters, noise)
- sGP based BO

GP Augmented with Structural model

Define a probabilistic model:

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

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

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

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

Prediction on new data X_* :

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

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

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

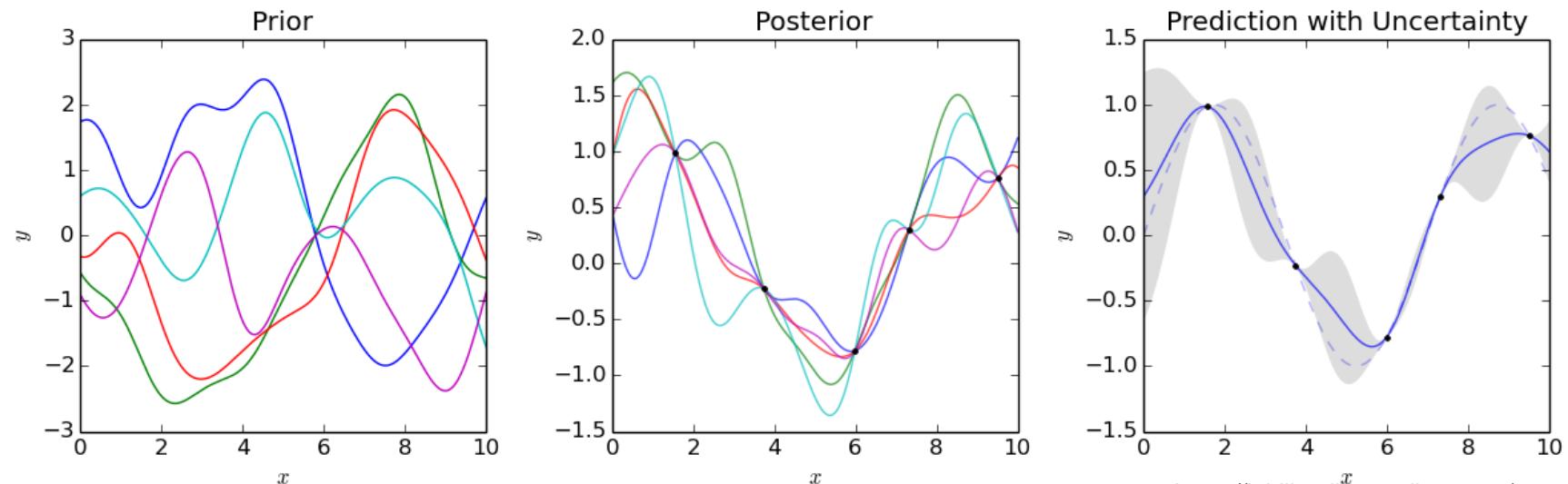
$\boldsymbol{\Omega}^i = \{\phi^i, \boldsymbol{\theta}^i\}$ is a single HMC posterior sample with the kernel and prob model parameters

- We substitute a constant GP prior mean function \mathbf{m} with a structured probabilistic model of the expected system's 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.

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GP Augmented with Structural model

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



Probabilistic model

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

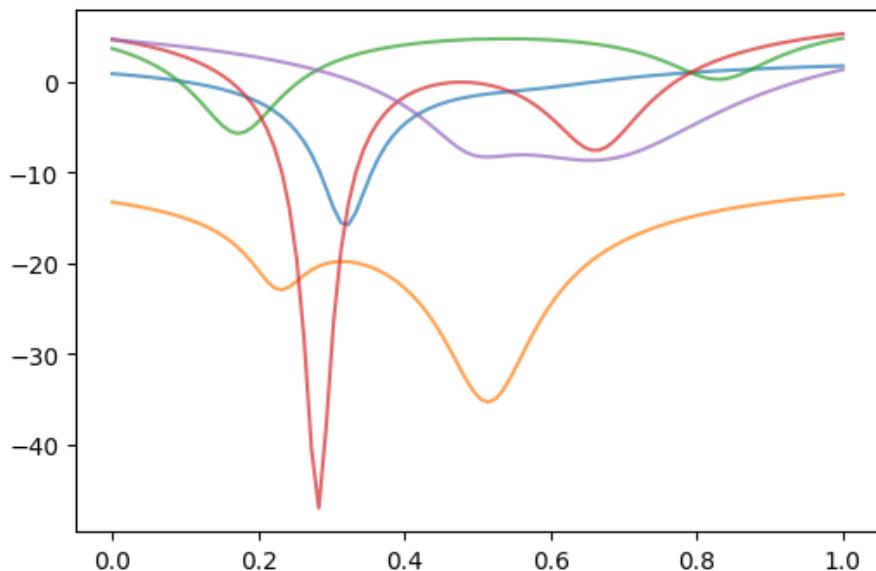
$$y_0 \sim Uniform(-10, 10)$$

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

$$A_n \sim LogNormal(0, 1)$$

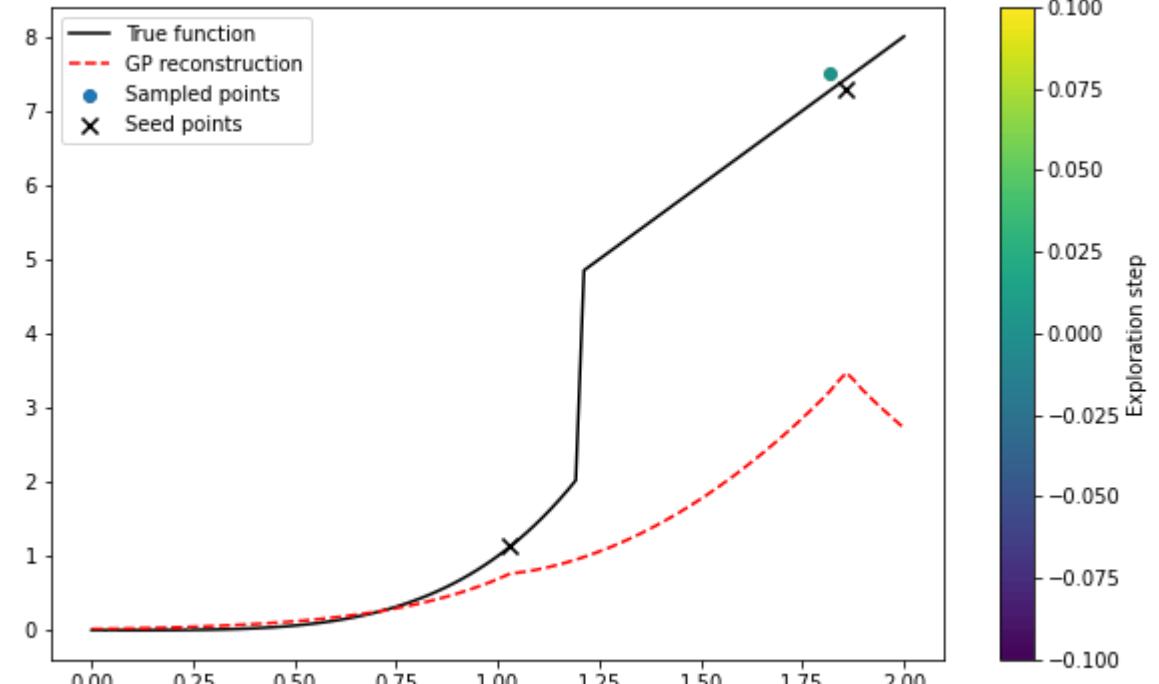
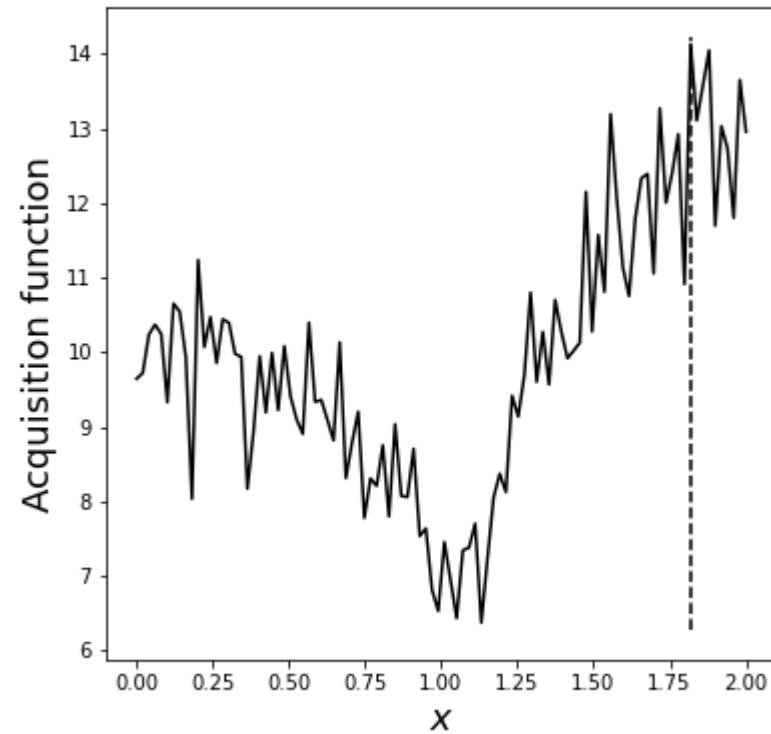
$$w_n \sim HalfNormal(.1)$$

$$x_n^0 \sim Uniform(0, 1)$$

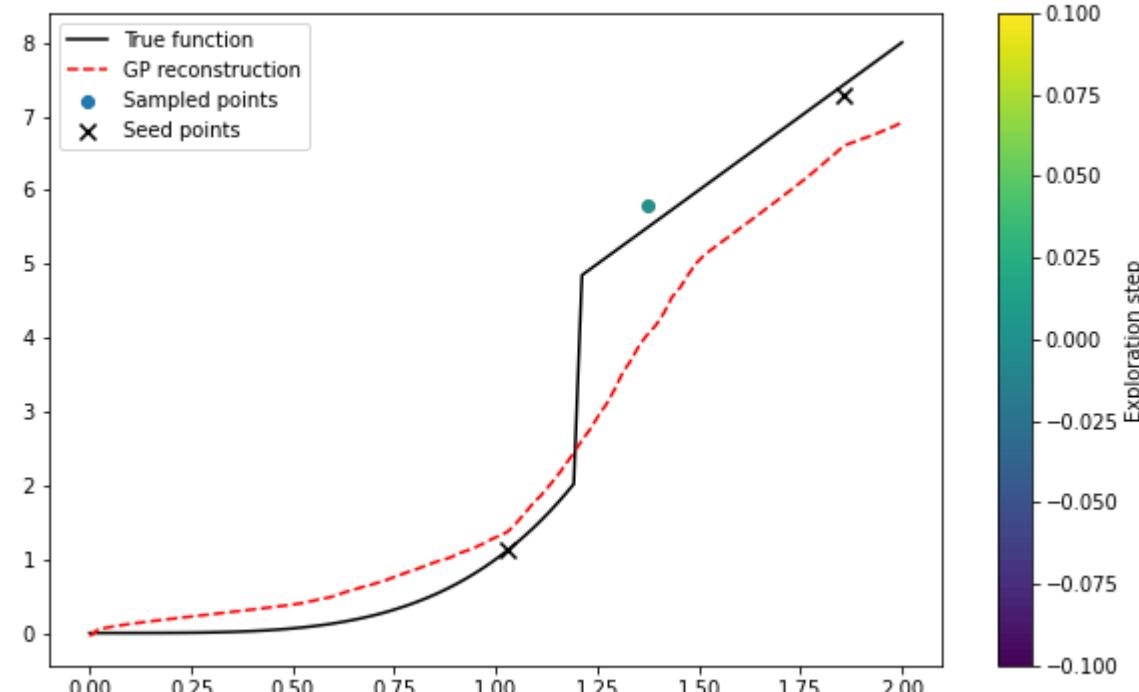
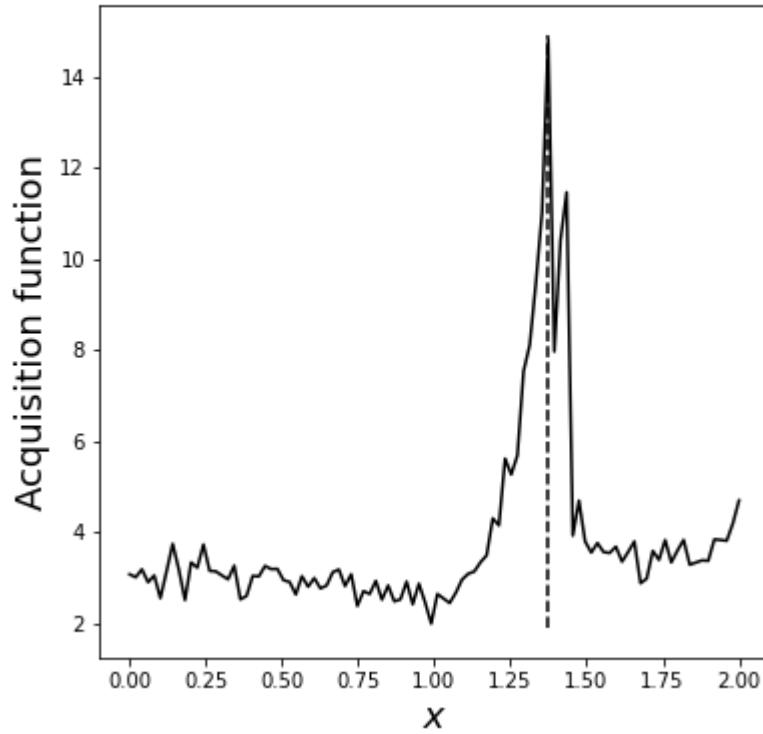


This model simply tells us that there are two minima in our data but does not assume to have any prior knowledge about their relative depth, width, or distance

Simple GP search



Structured GP search

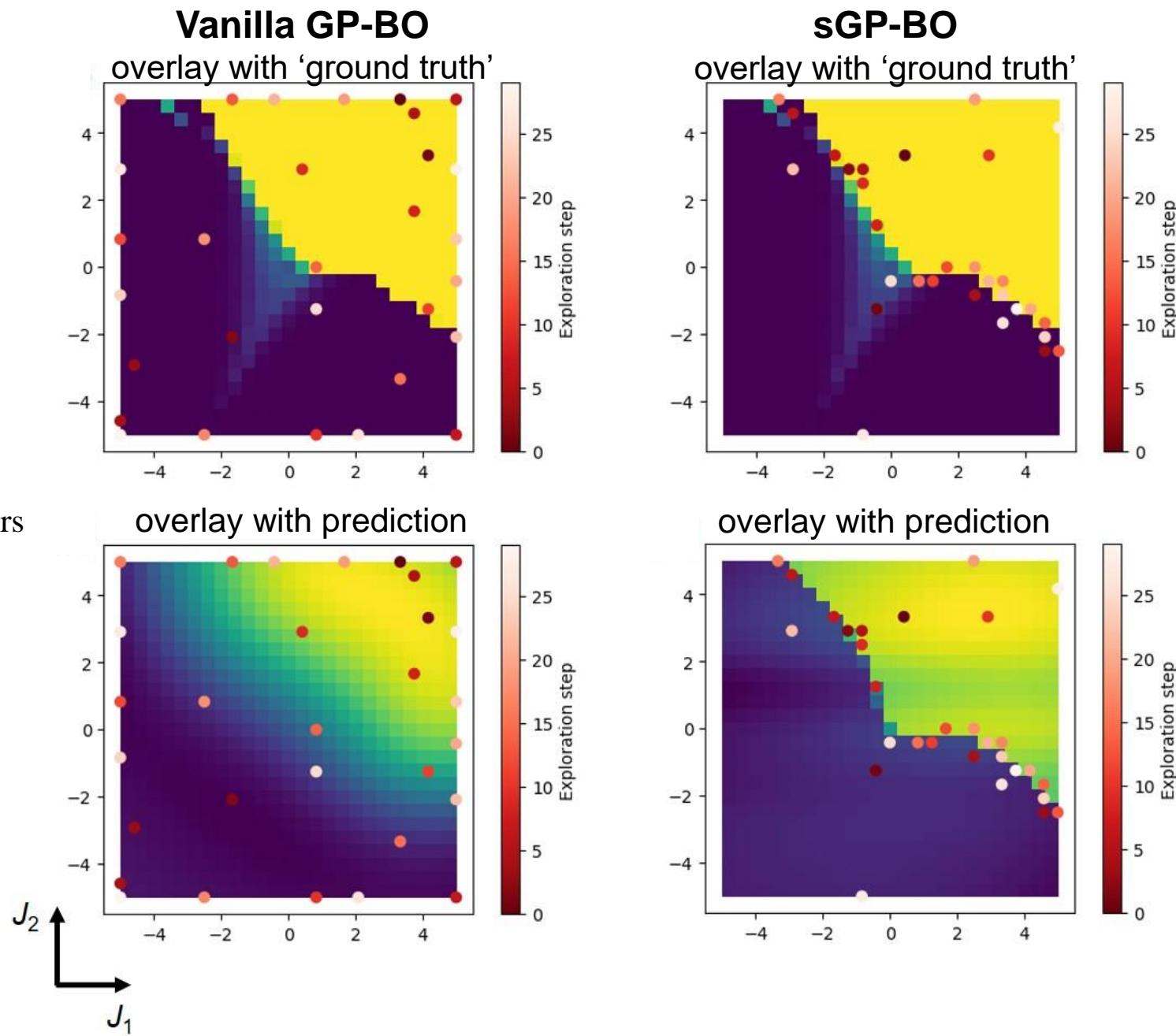


Application to Ising model

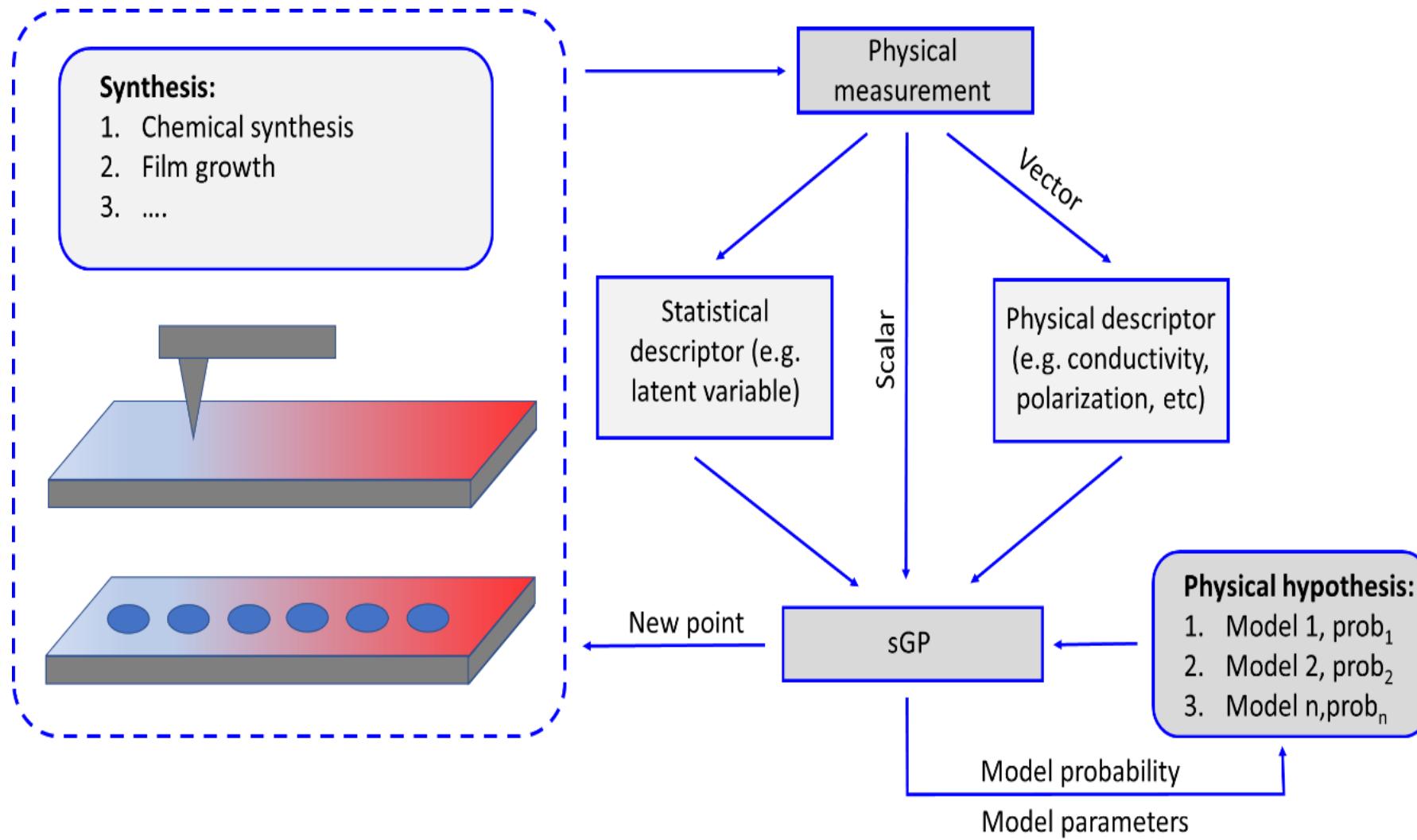
Probabilistic model

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

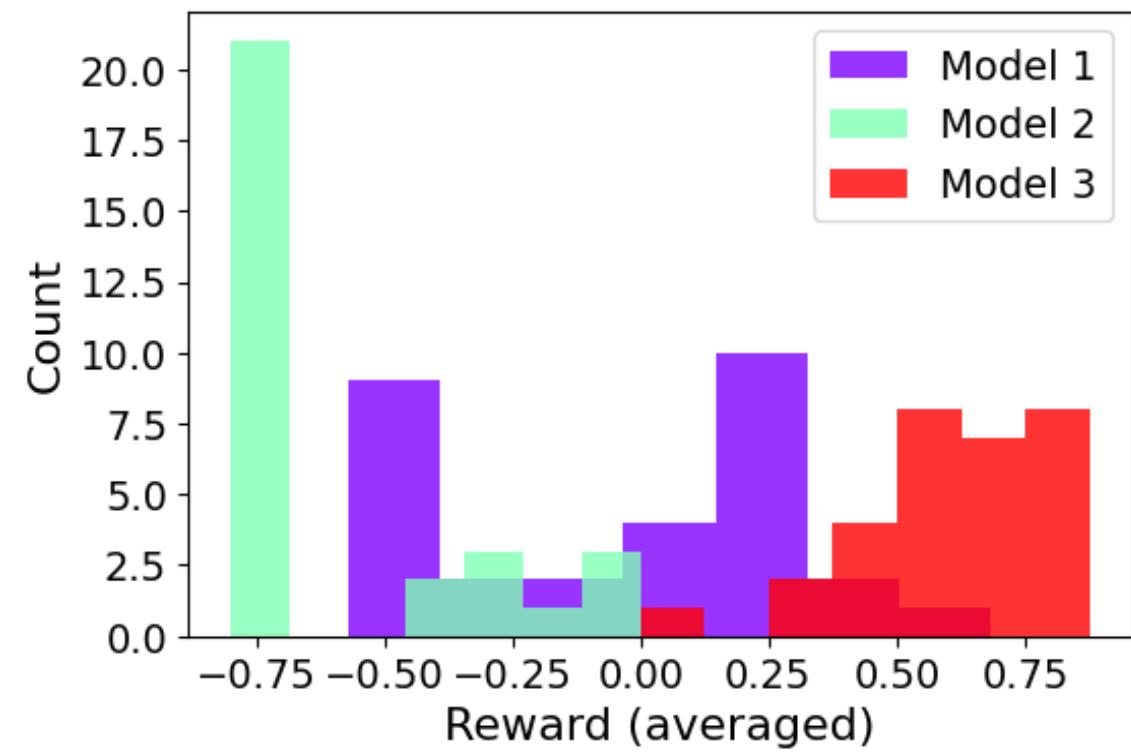
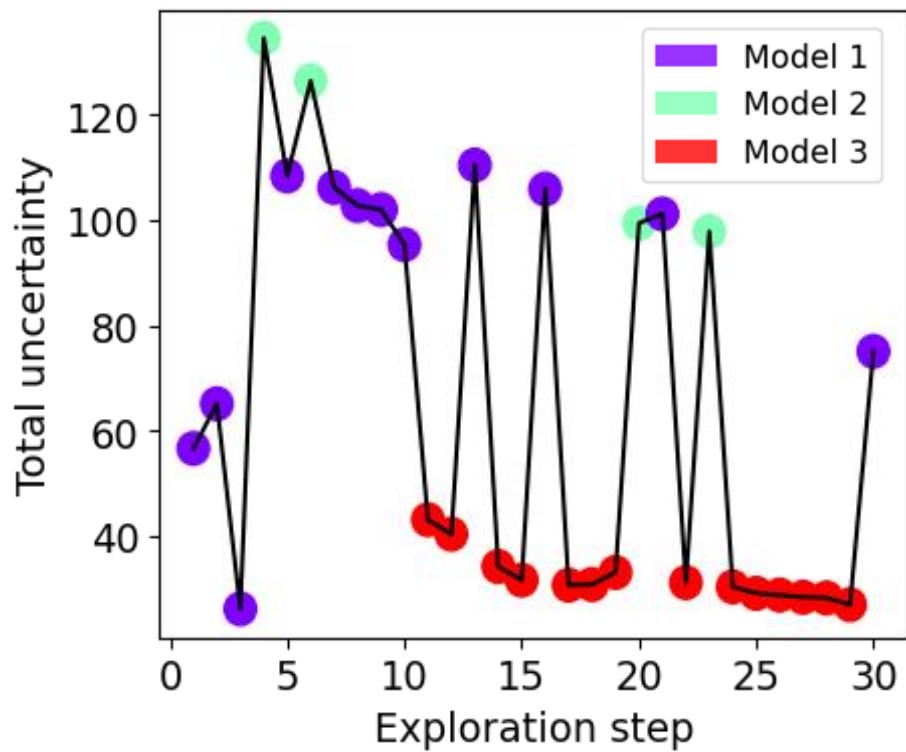
where $f(J)$ is a third-degree polynomial with normal priors on its parameters



Hypothesis active learning: hypoAL

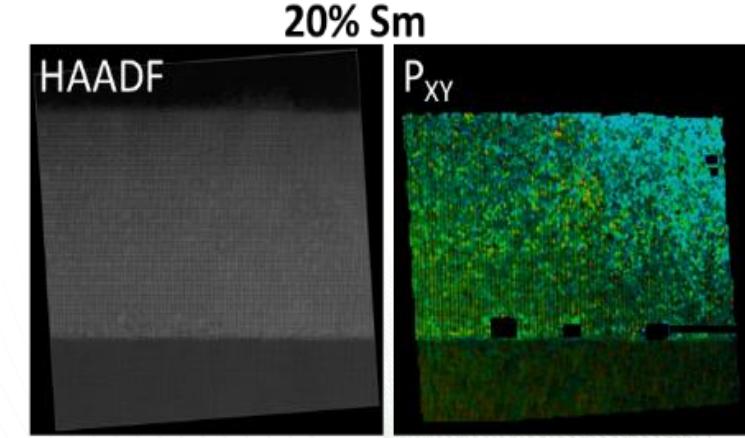
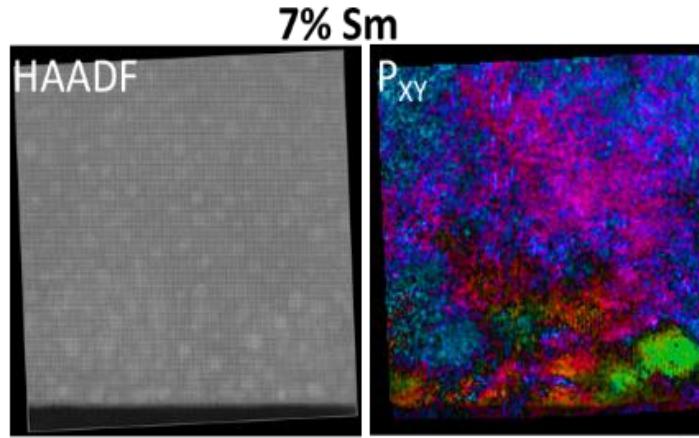
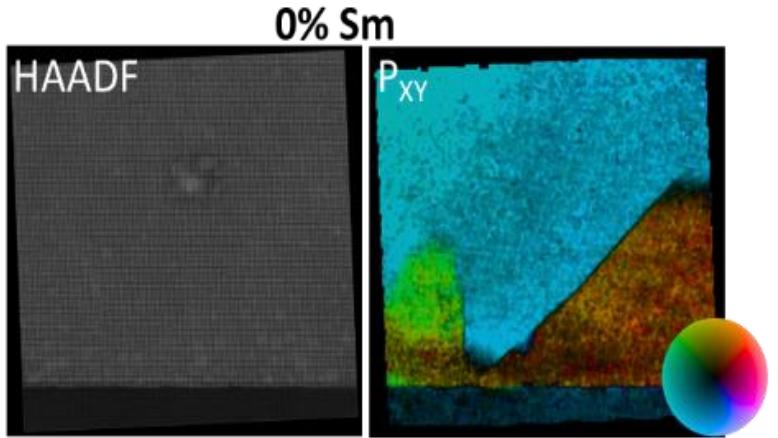
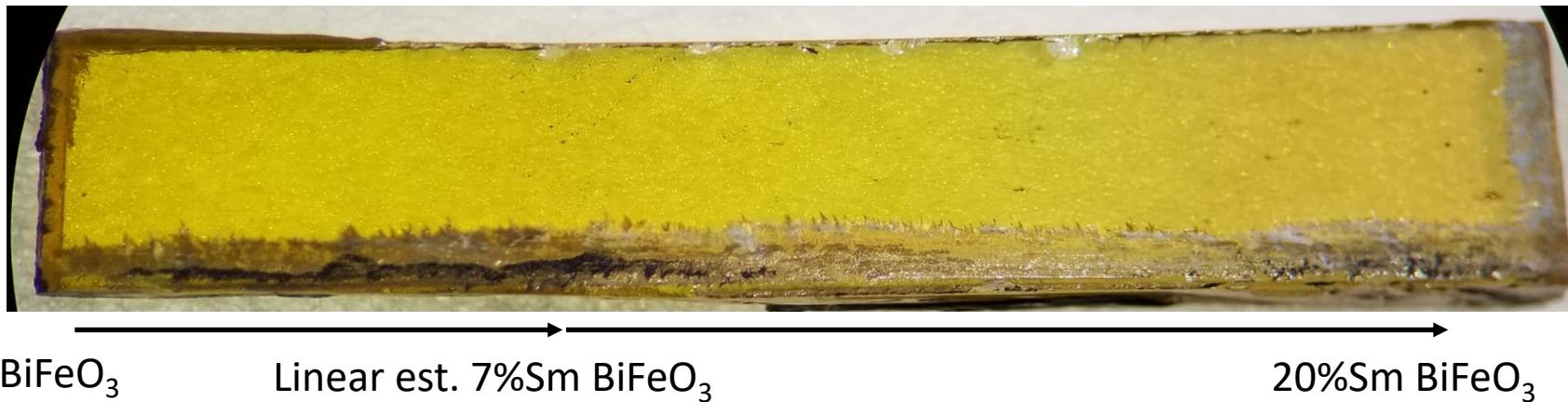
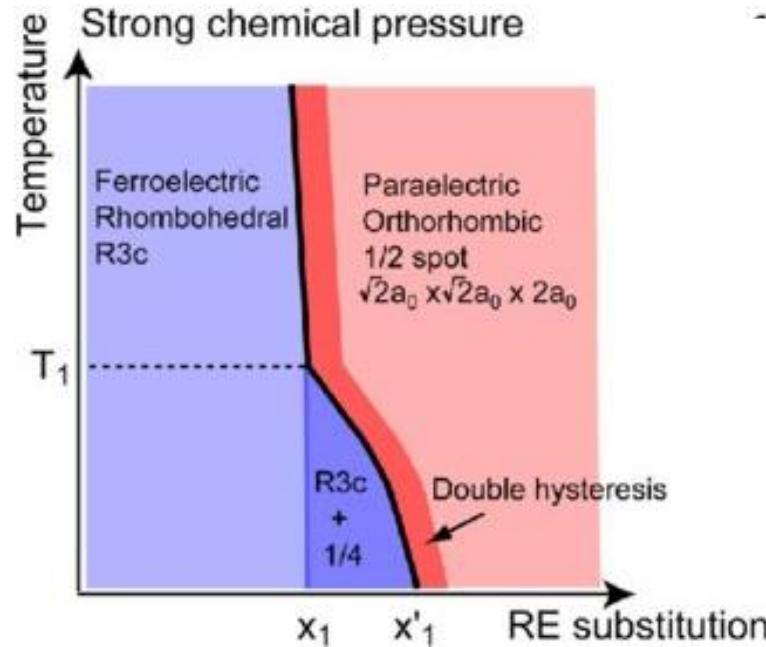


Next step: active model selection

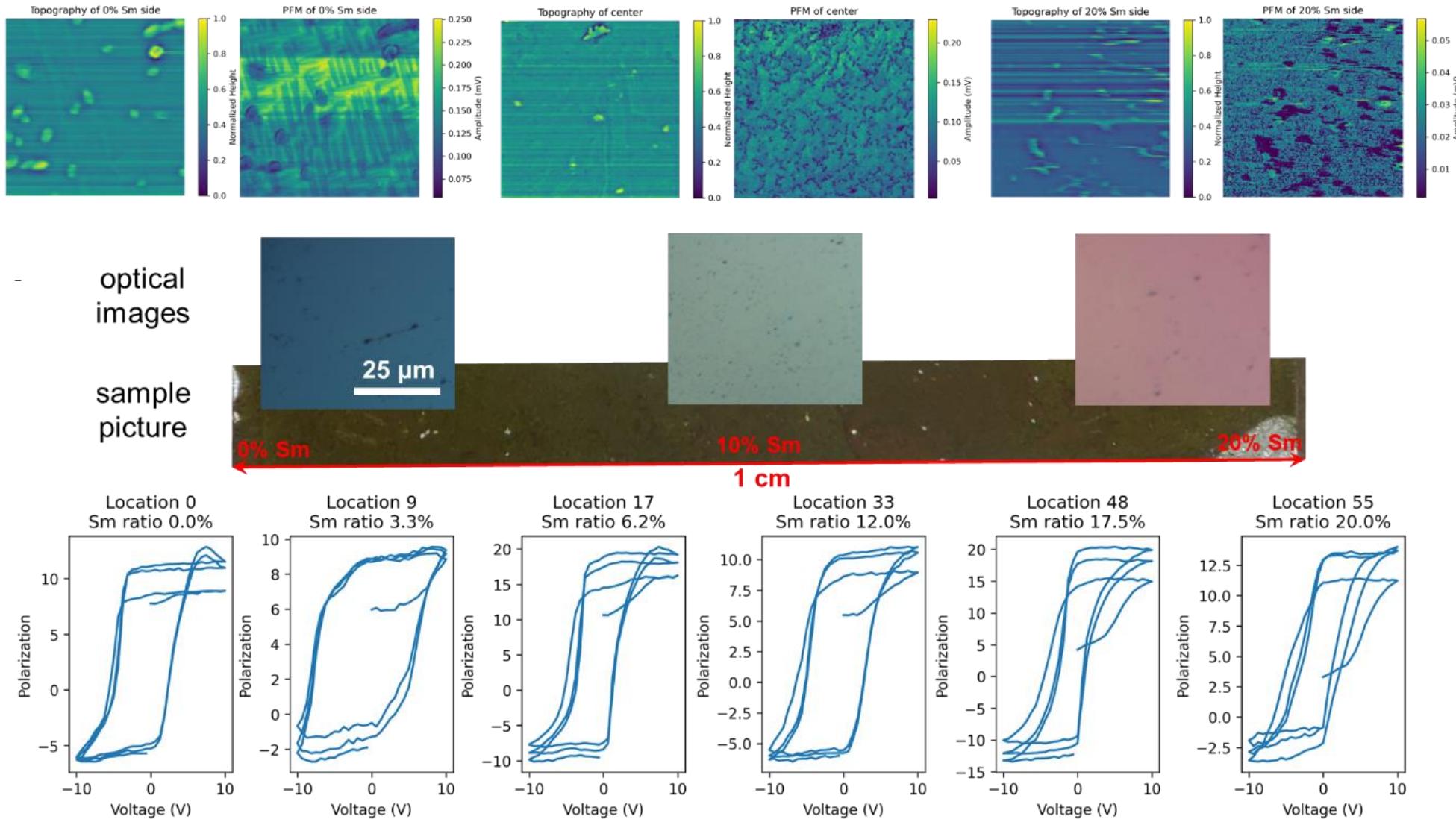


Combinatorial synthesis

Sample by I. Takeuchi, UMD
Phase diagram by N. Valanoor et al.



Combinatorial libraries:



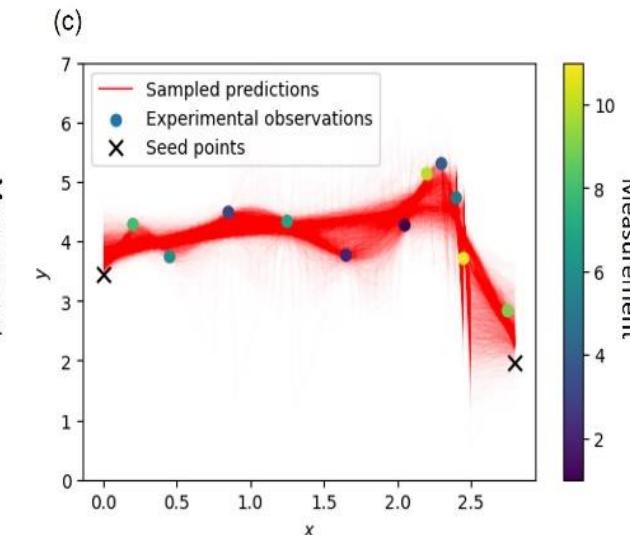
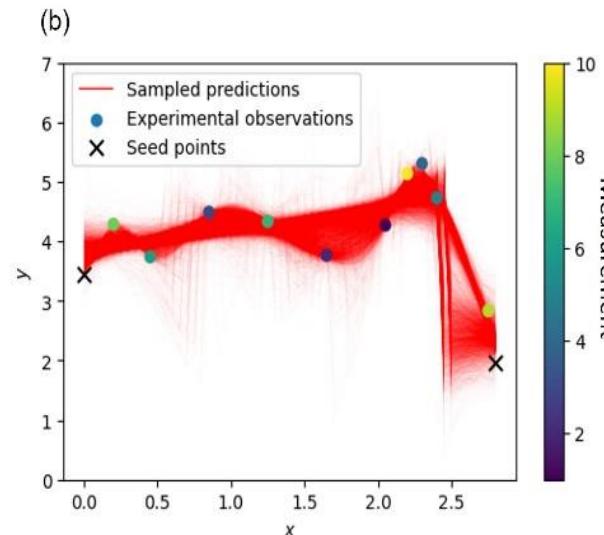
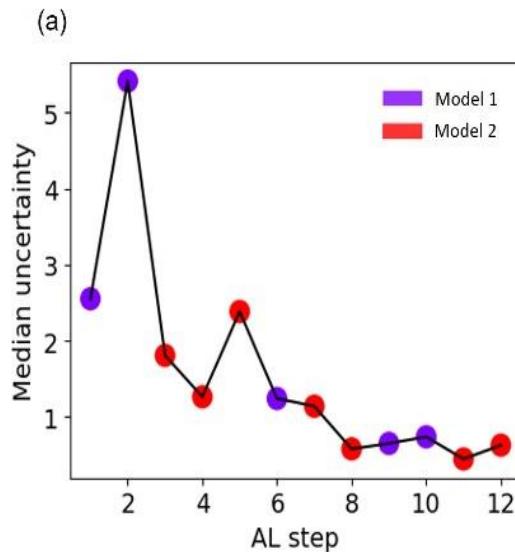
Hypothesis selection for ferroelectric response

Model 1 (second order phase transition):

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

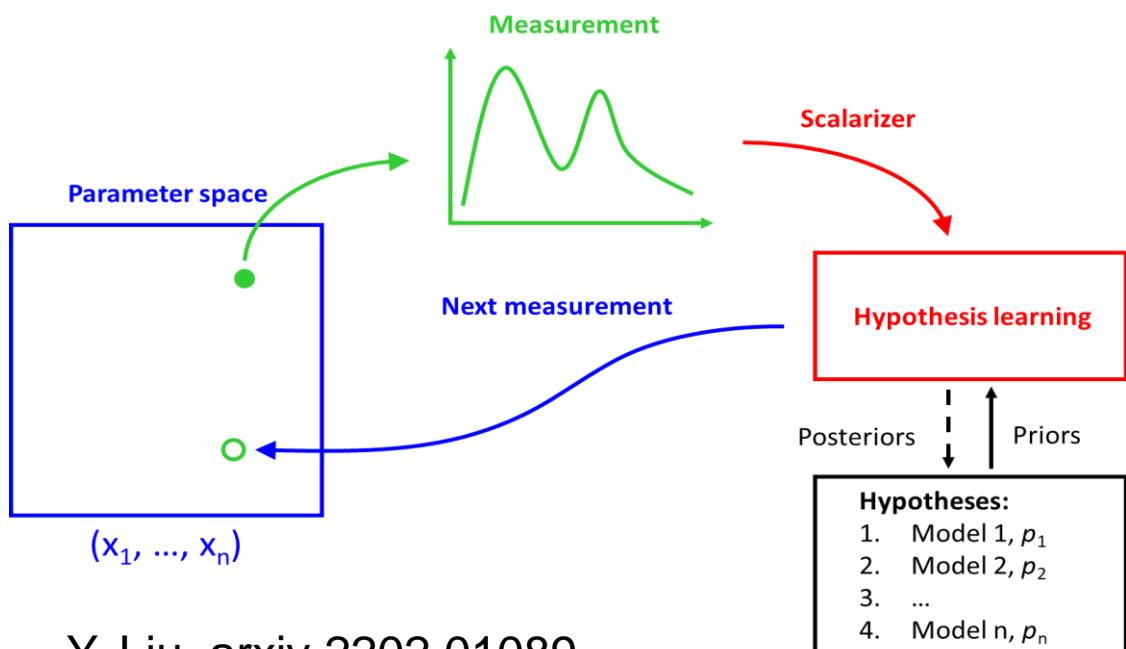
Model 2 (first order phase transition):

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



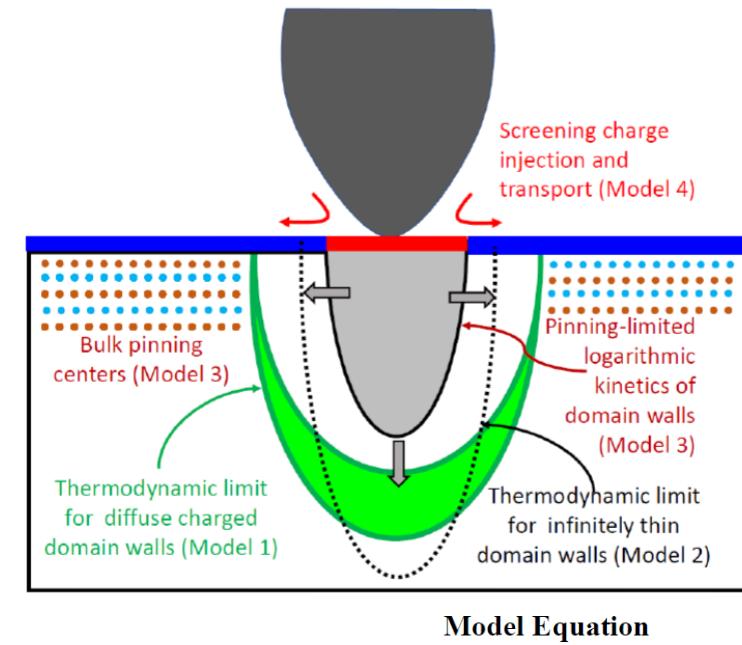
Hypothesis Learning

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



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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

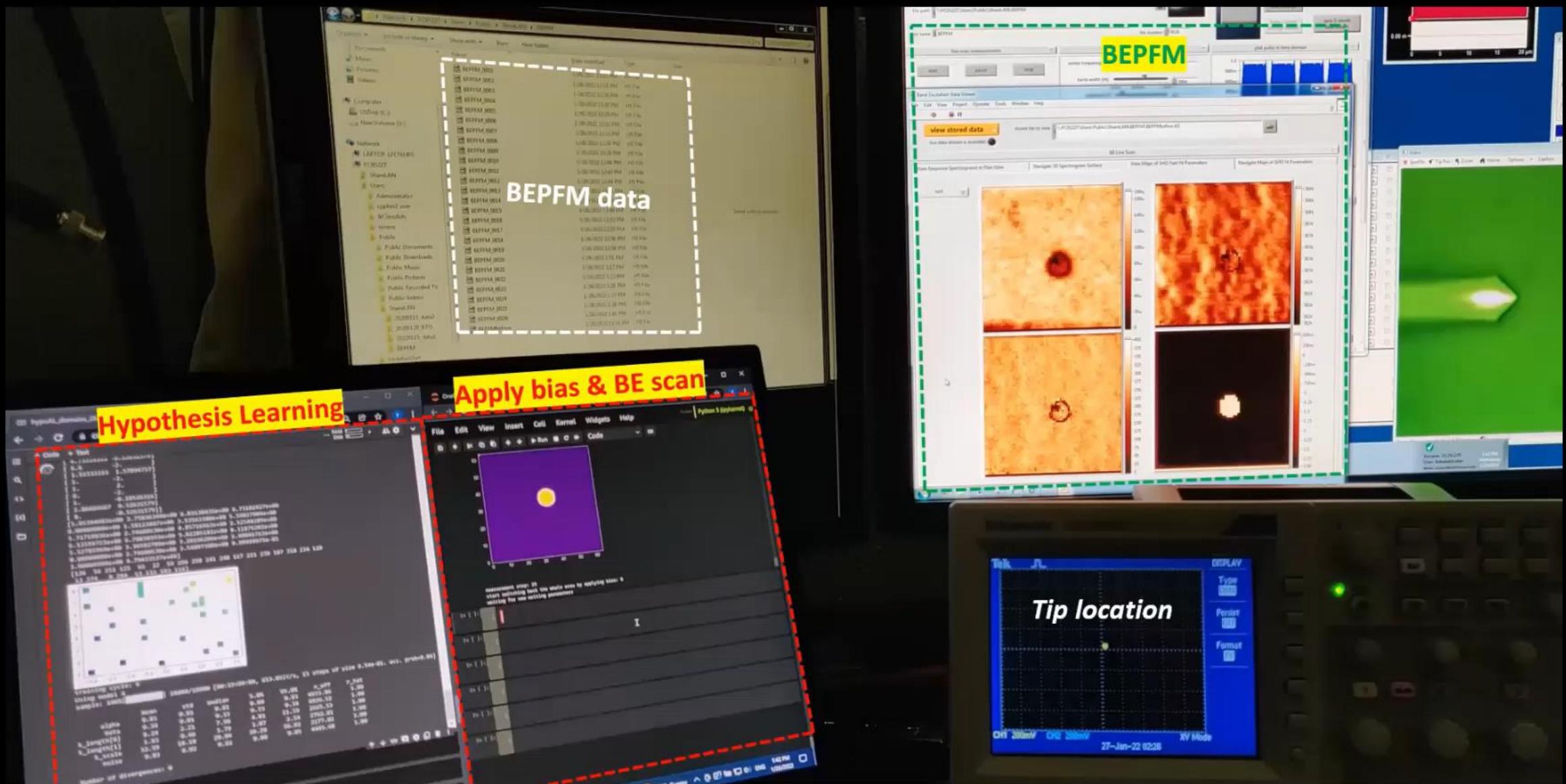
$$r(V, t) = V^\alpha \log \tau$$

Charge injection

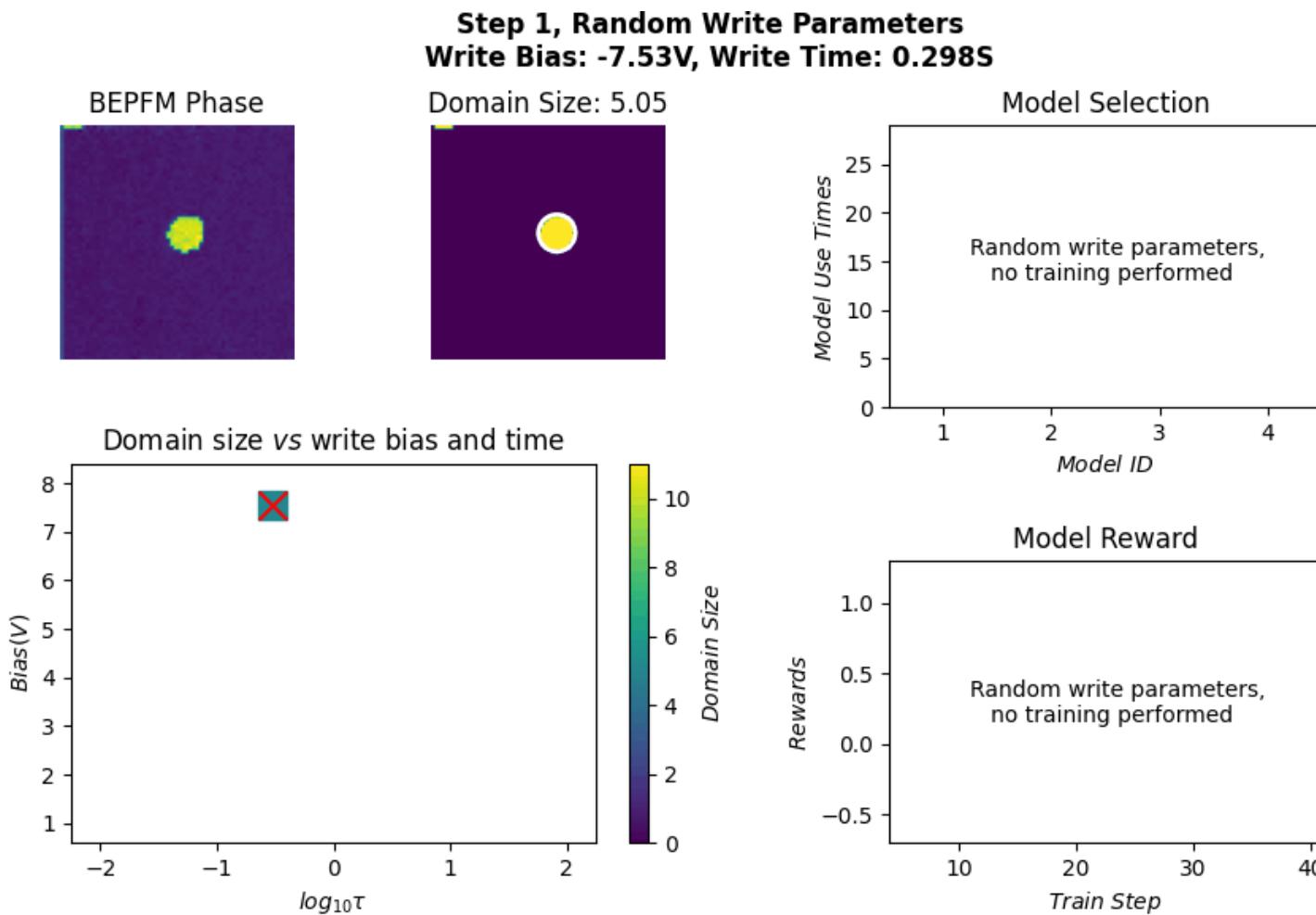
Model IV

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

Automated Experiment #3—Automated Hypo-learning



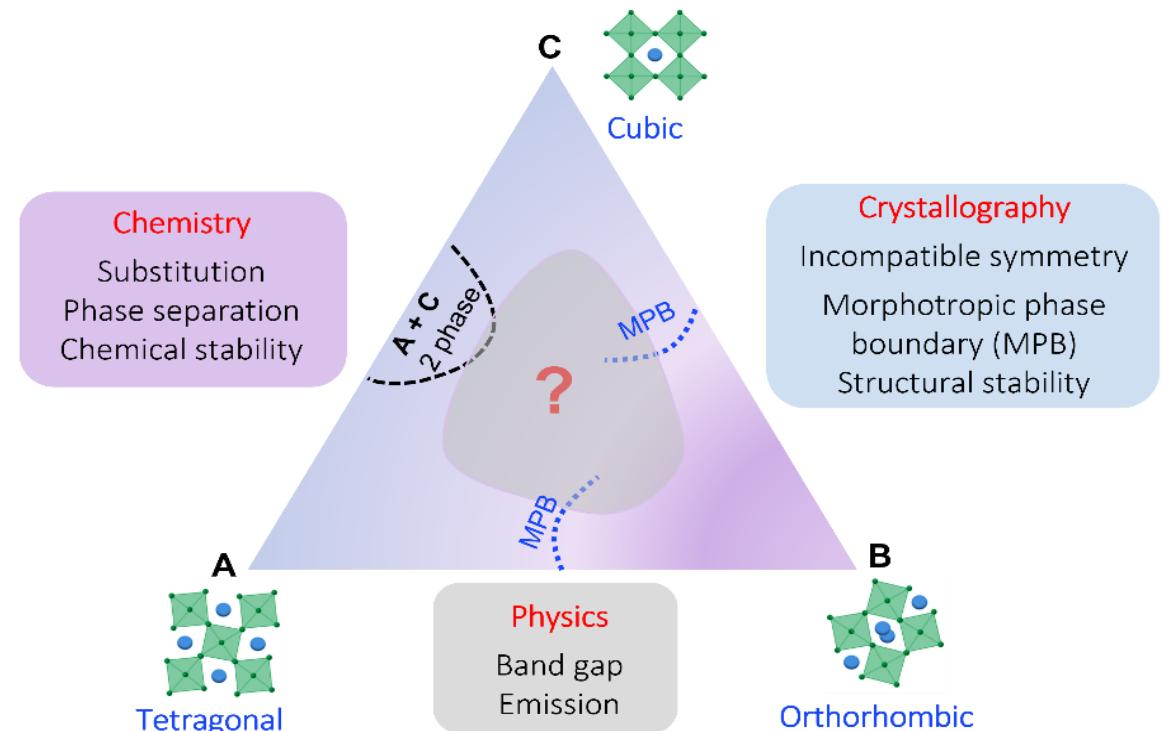
Hypothesis learning in action



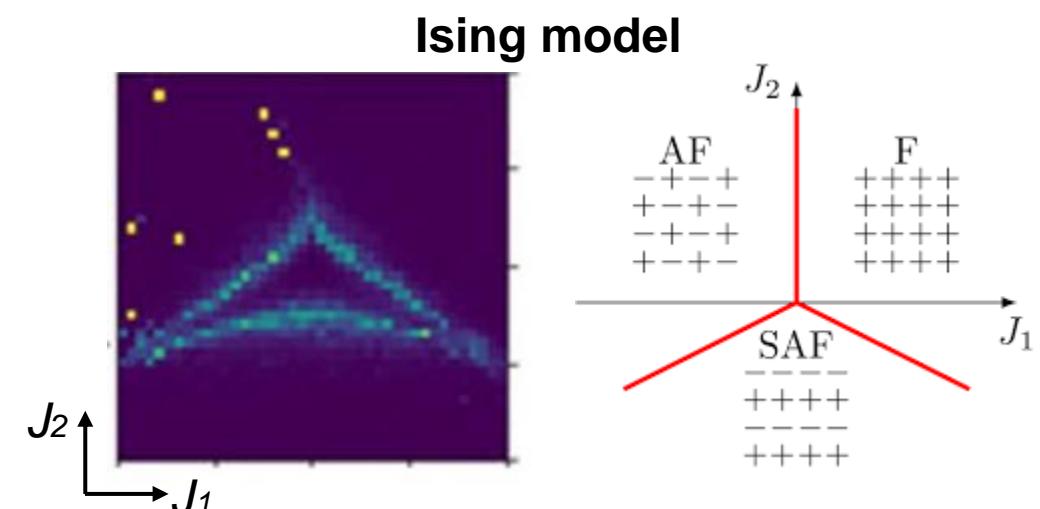
- ML algorithm has 4 competing hypothesis on domain switching mechanisms
- These hypothesis represent full set of possibilities for this system
- The microscope chooses experimental parameters in such a way as to establish which hypothesis is correct fastest
- Important: the same approach can be implemented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

Why synthesis (or theory)?

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- Automated synthesis in its simplest form requires some way to navigate phase diagrams
- In more complex form, processing space.
- Ideally, incorporate physical knowledge
- Similar problem - theory



The World is Bayesian: Physics from Observations

Hypothesis driven science:
What we want to learn

Forward model: Theory

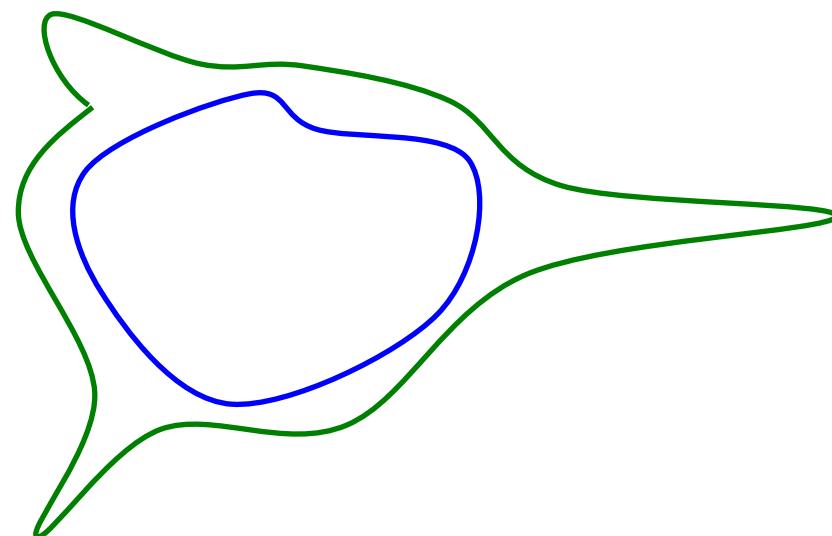
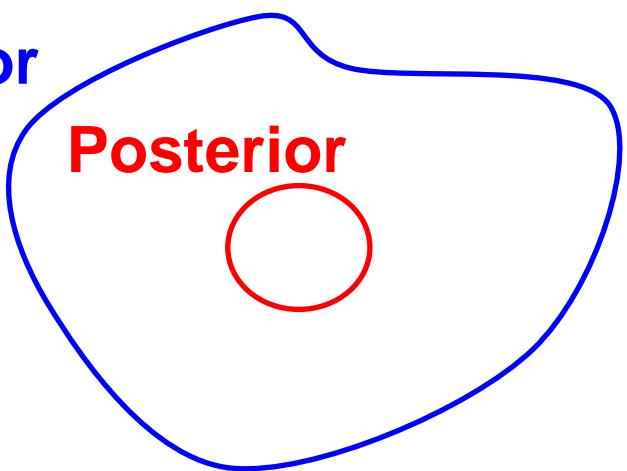
Domain expertise:

$$P(\text{Theory}|\text{Data}) = \frac{P(\text{Data}|\text{Theory})P(\text{Theory})}{P(\text{Data})}$$

- Experimentalists know the priors. Albeit they do not know that they know it, or how to convert them to algorithmic form
- **However, how do we make guesses about the unknown?**

High Performance Computing

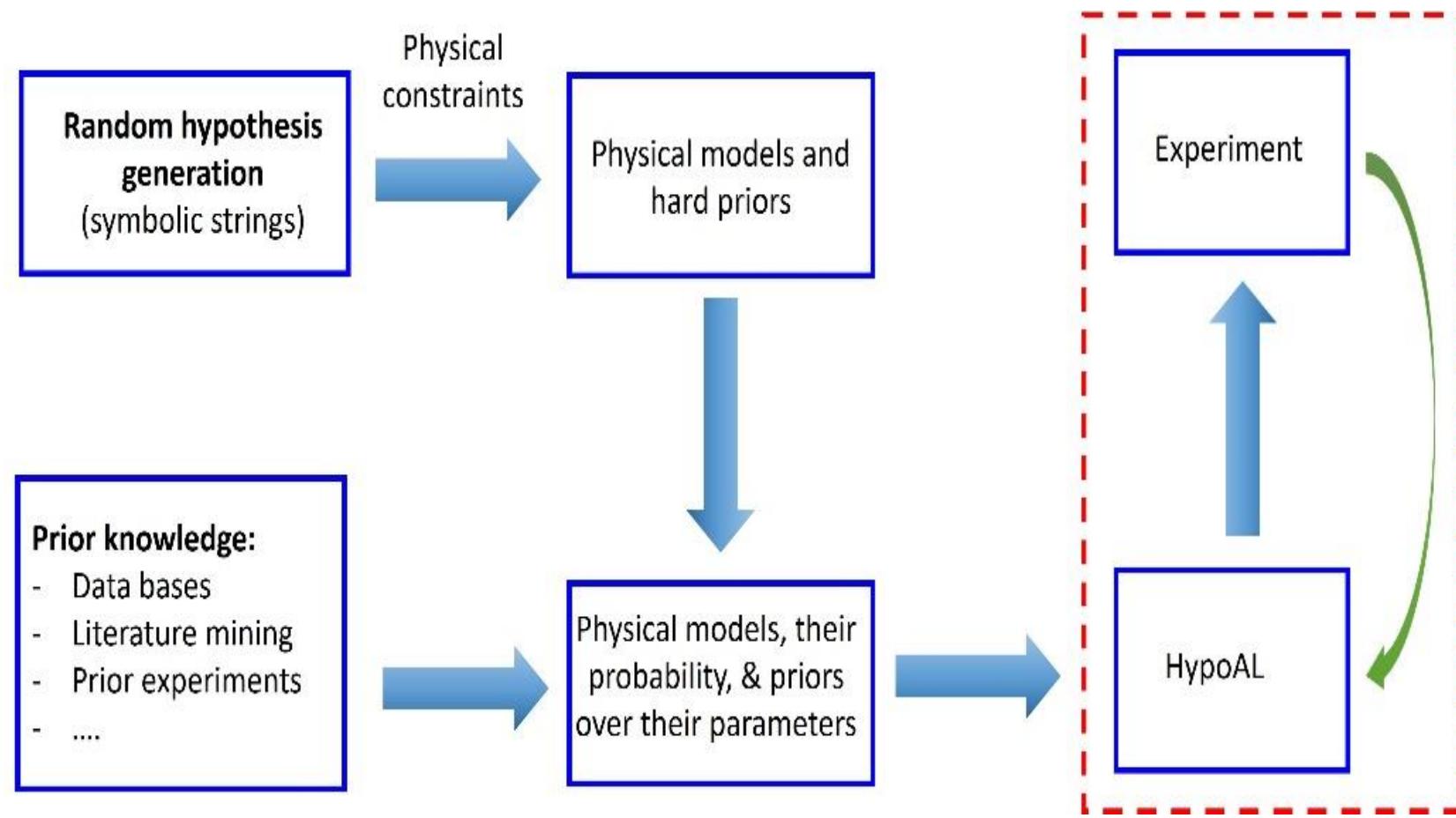
Prior
Refinement:
Can be defined as probabilistic model



Hypothesis formation:
How can we do it?

Towards hypothesis learning

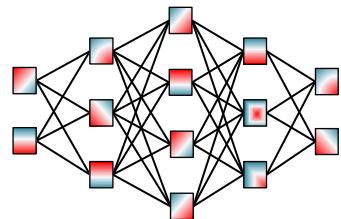
- Data already exists: Eureka, SISSO, SinDY, etc.
- What if we make hypothesis learning a part of active experiment?
- Need policies for hypothesis generation



More than ML: Human in the Loop

Prior knowledge

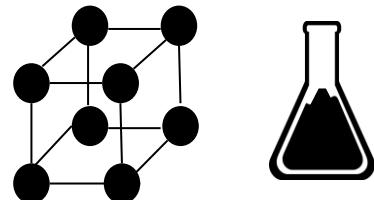
- Weights
- Inductive biases



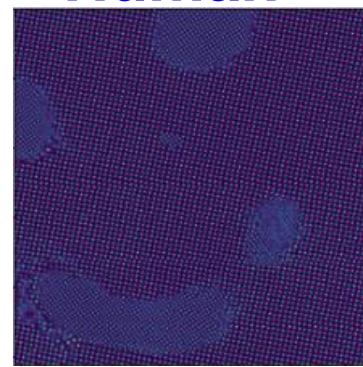
Reward Function



Material Parameters

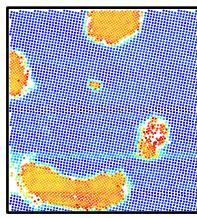


Human

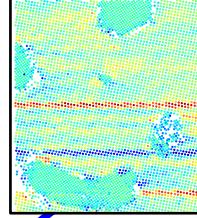
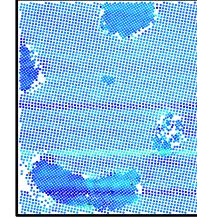


Experiment

Select analysis method



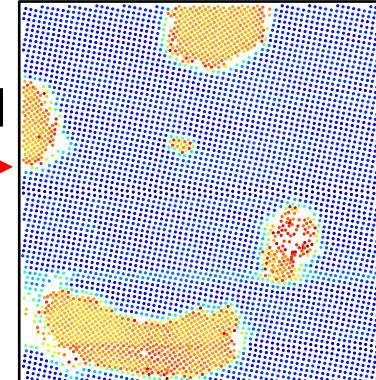
Select component



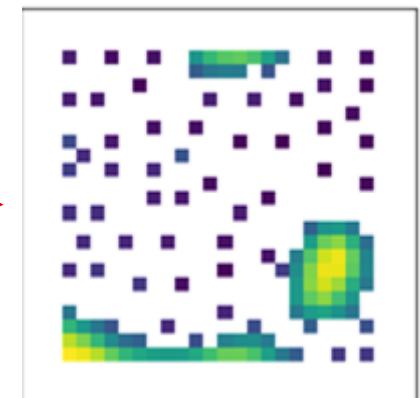
AI



DCNN



rVAE BO



Discovery pathway depends on the reward structure!