

# Multi-output neural processes

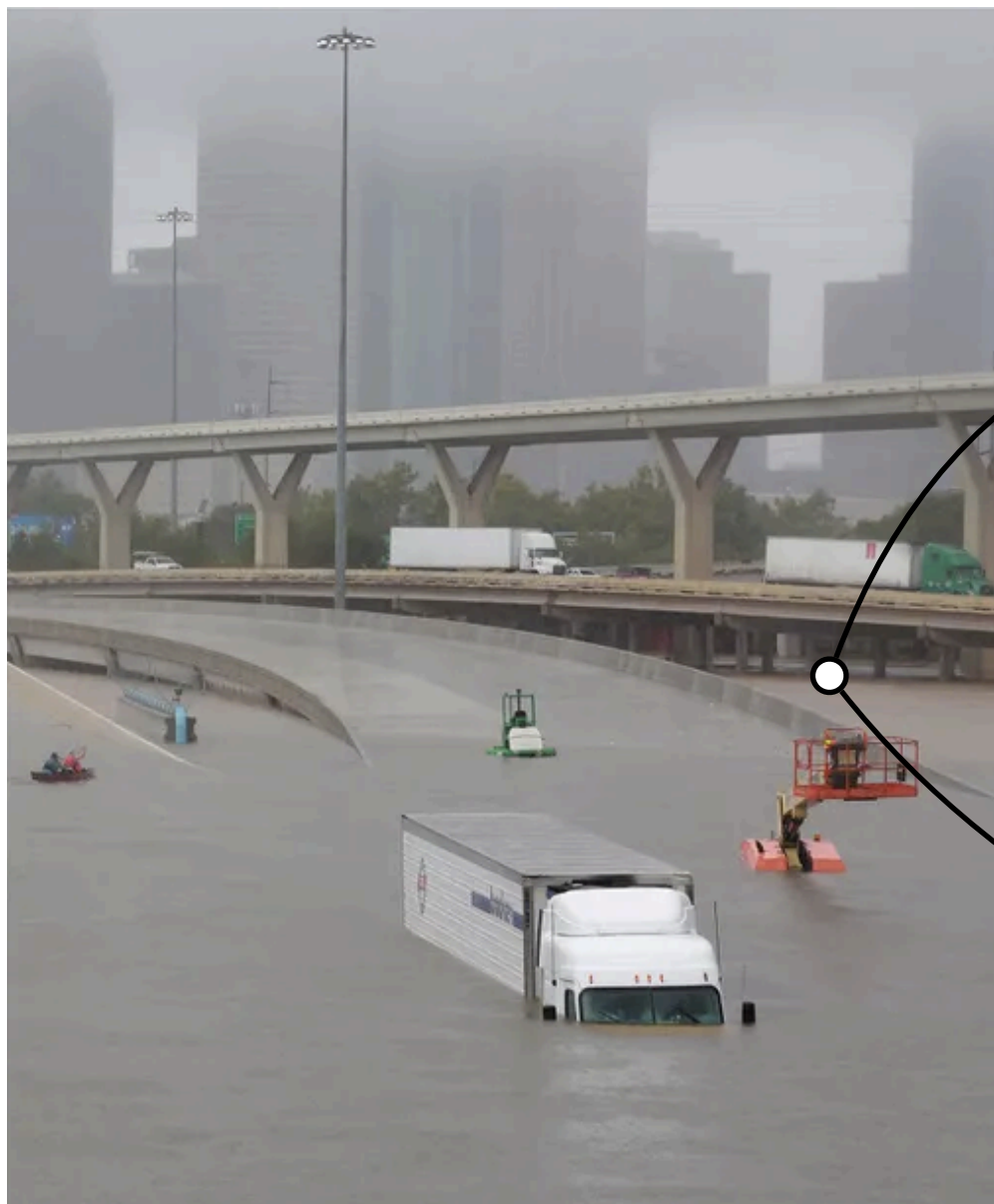
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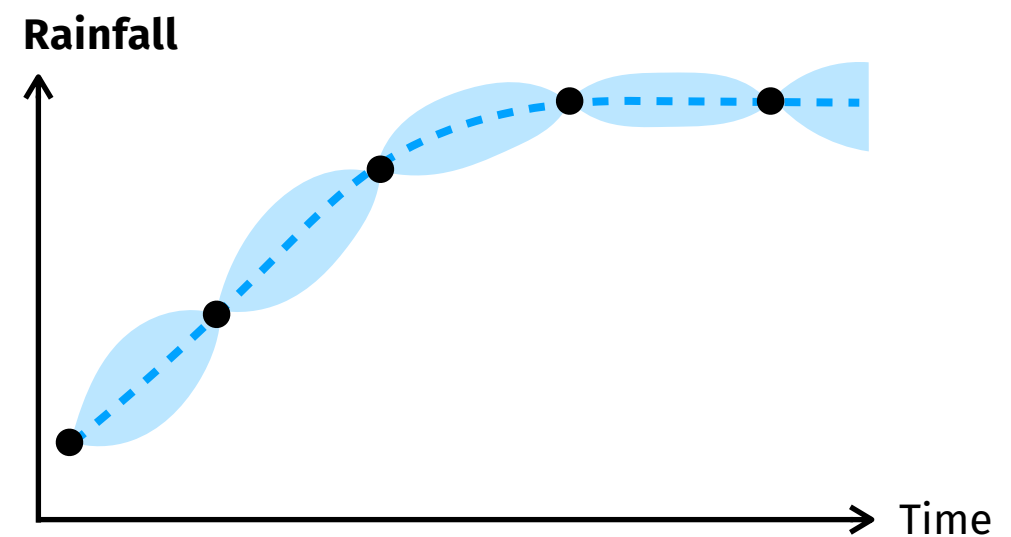
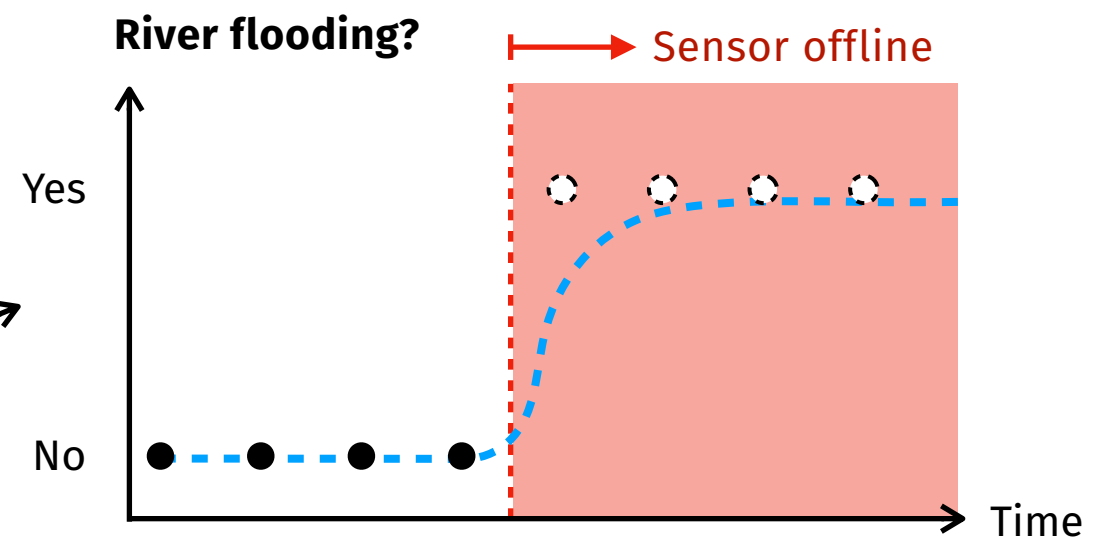
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# What problem are we addressing?

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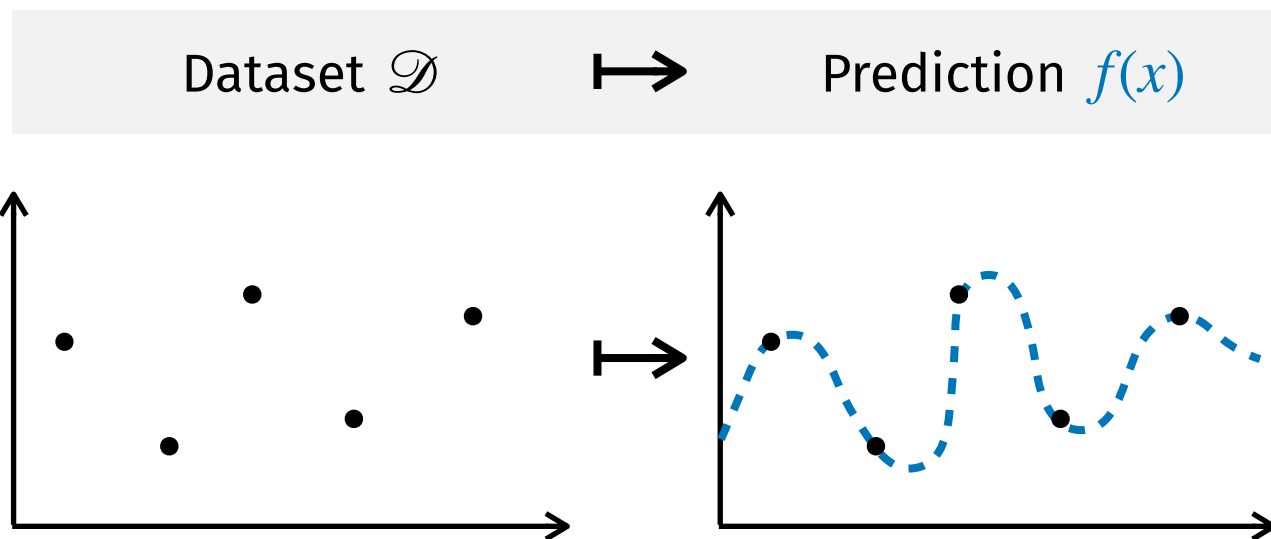
Can we make joint predictions over multiple outputs where data is missing with uncertainty?

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# What are neural processes?

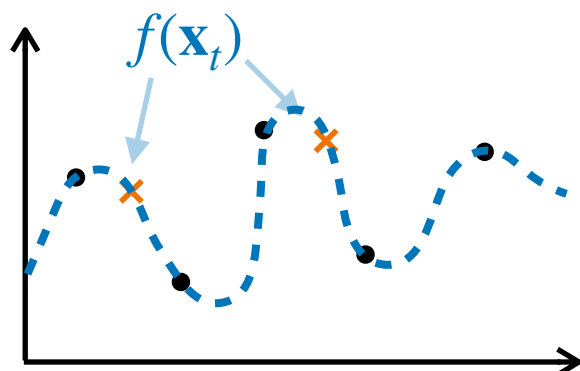
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## Traditional supervised learning

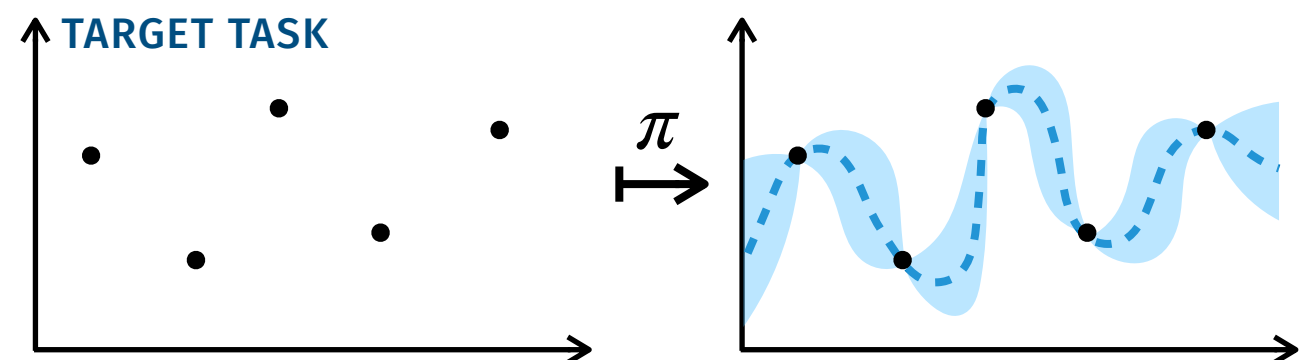
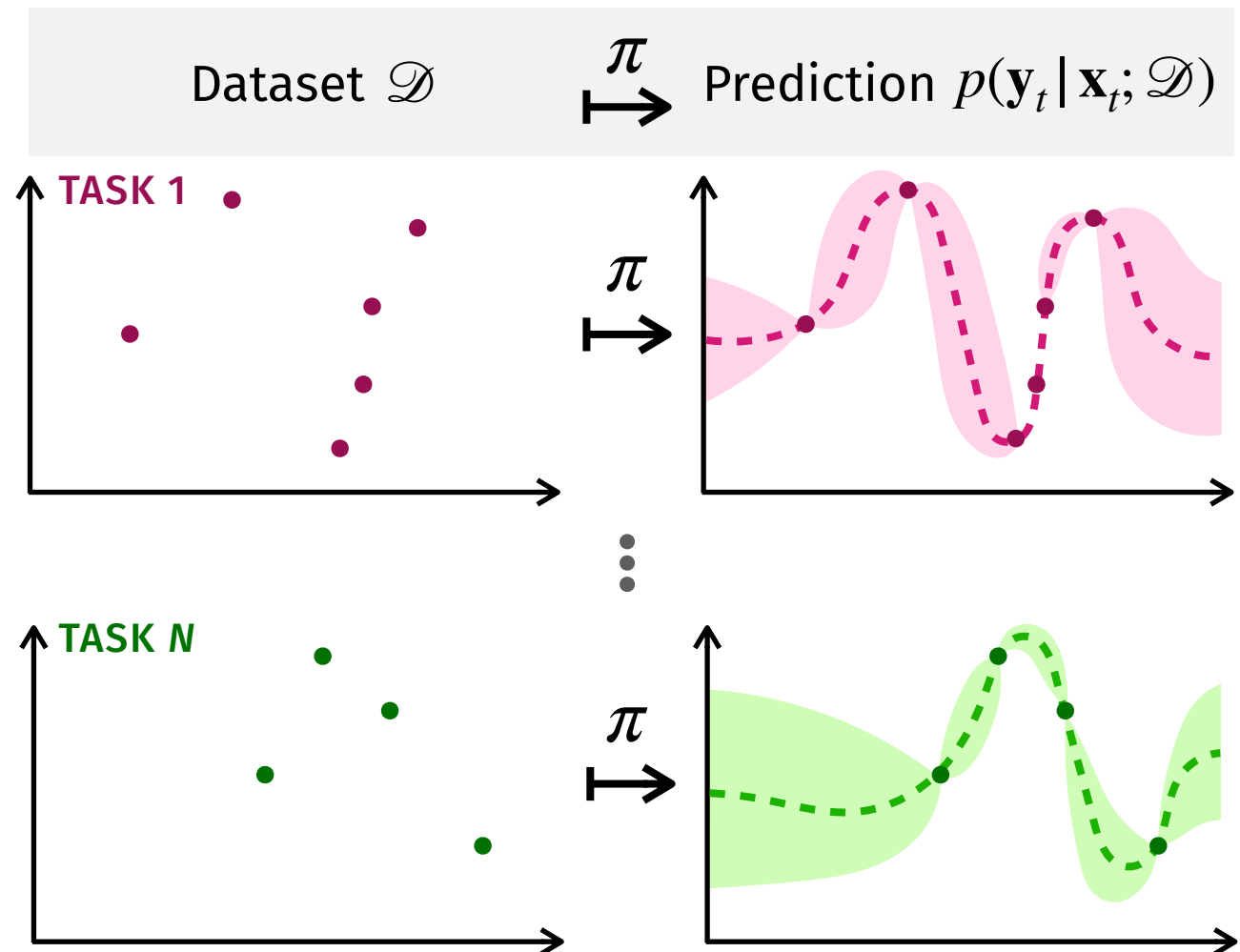


Training

Test



## Neural processes

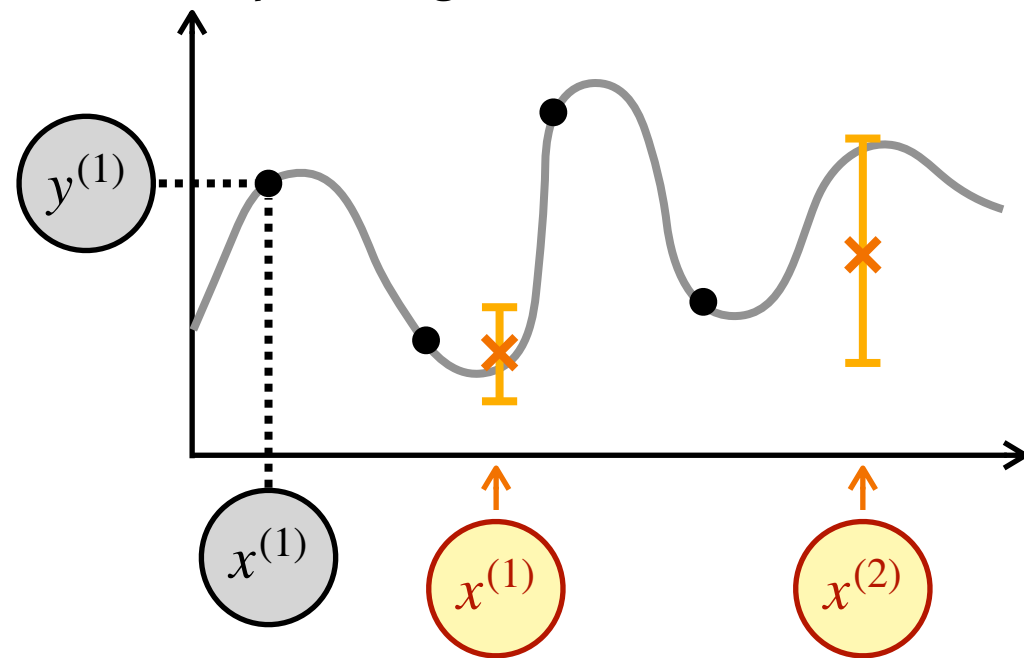


# How do neural processes work?

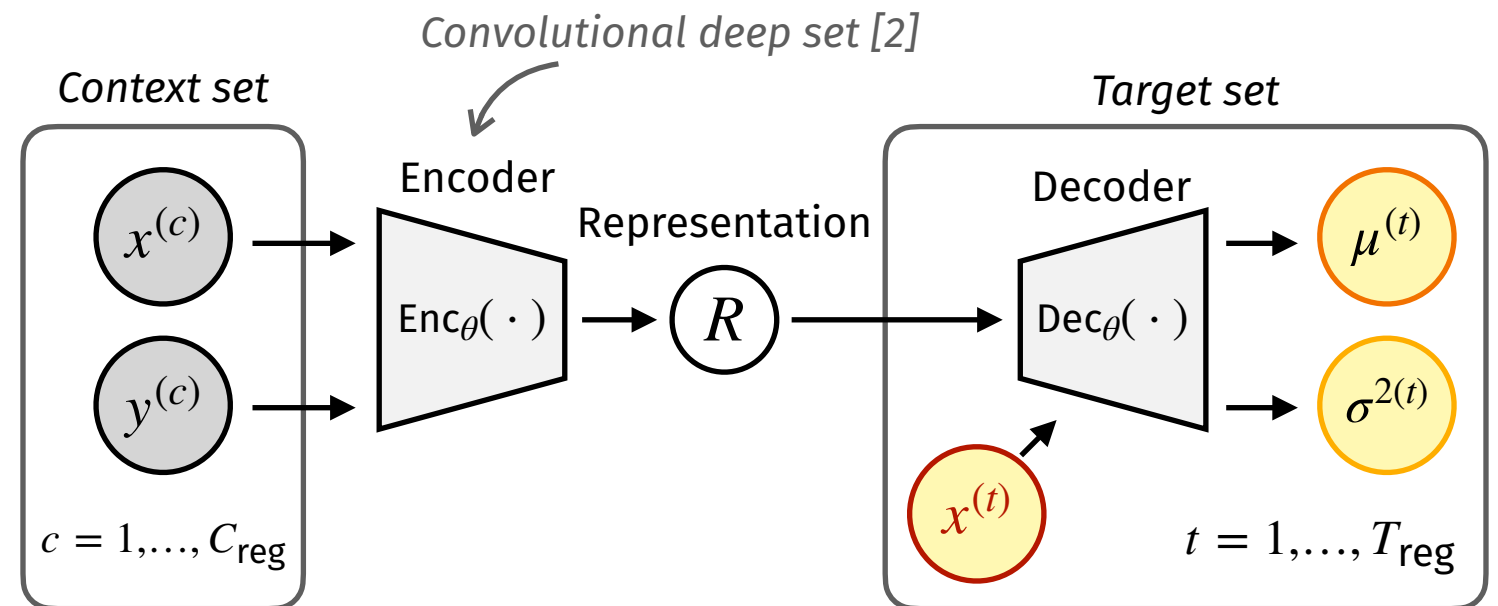
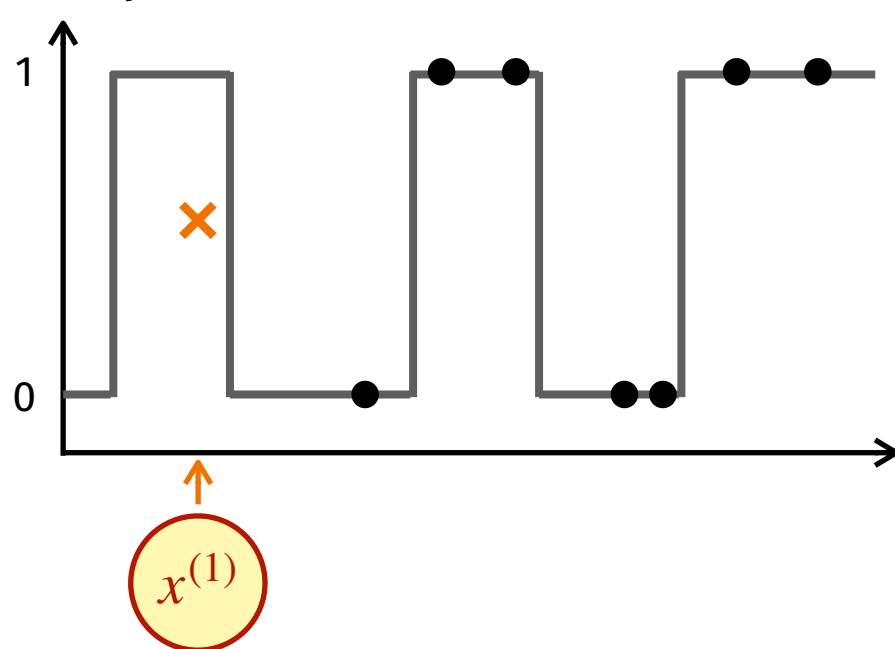
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● Context ✕ Target — Underlying function

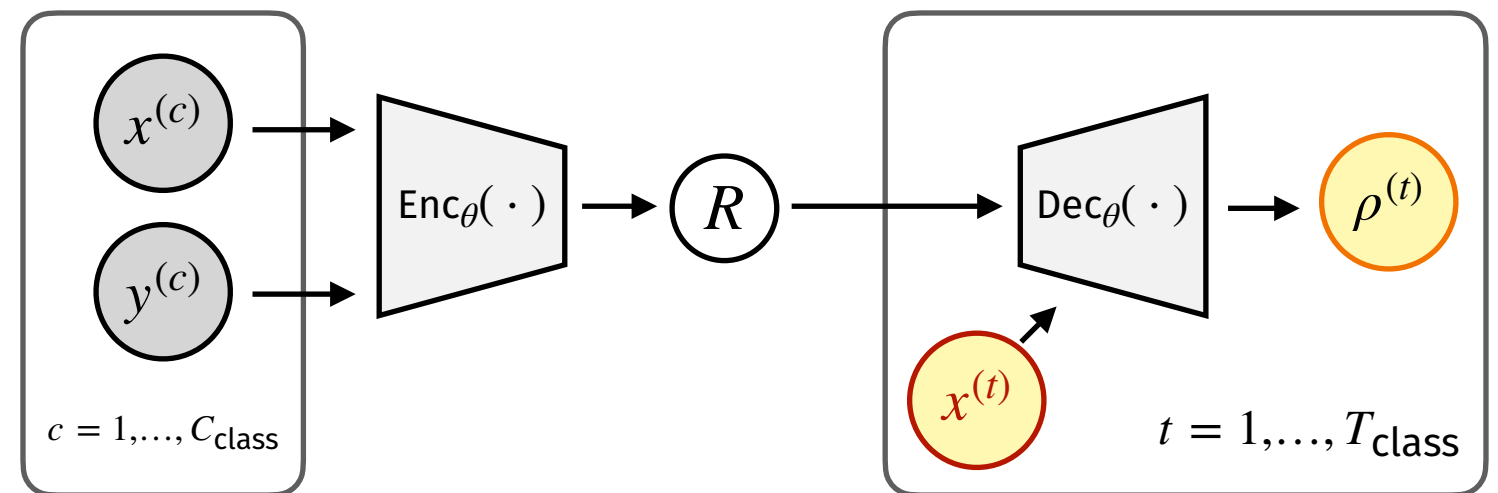
Output 1: Regression



Output 2: Classification

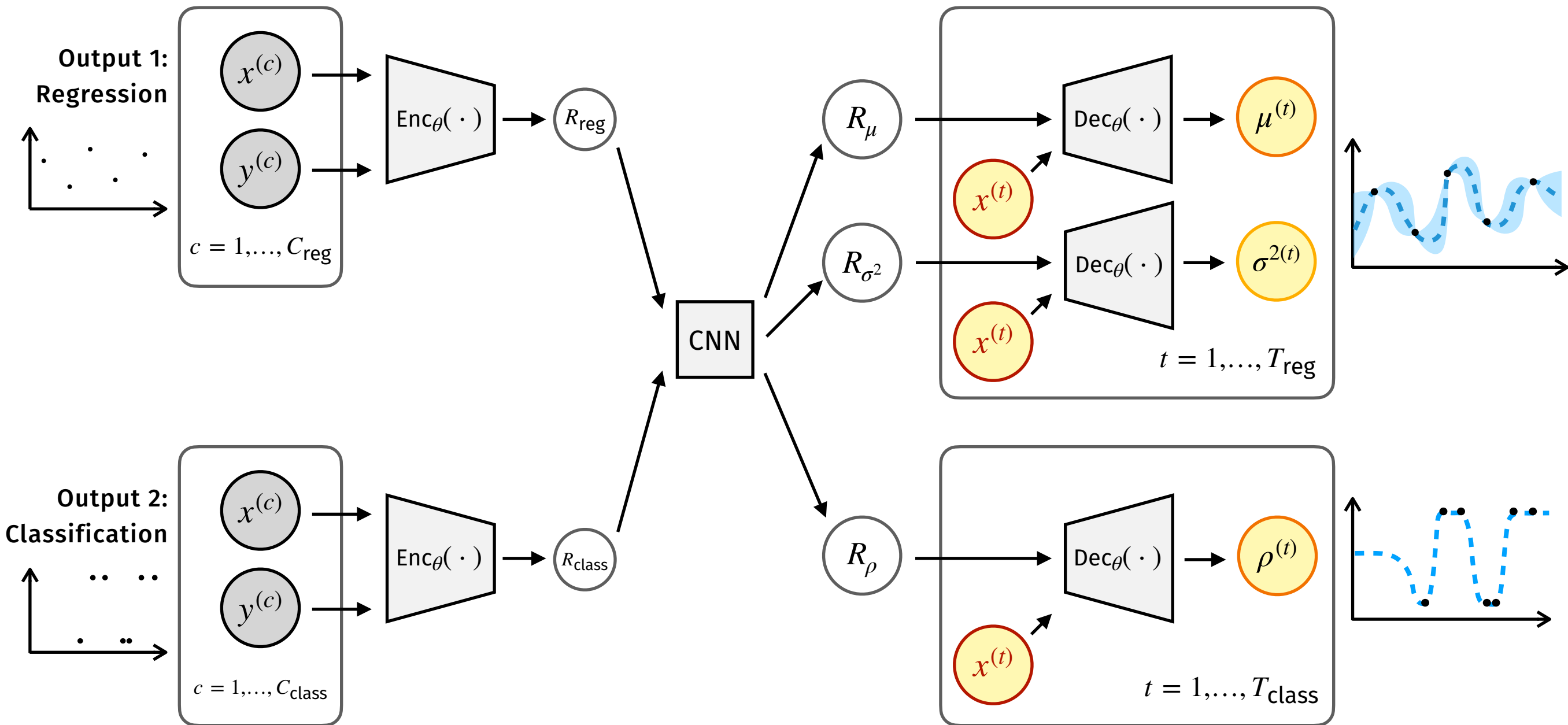


How can we connect these architectures so that our predictions are informed by both outputs?



# How can they handle multi-output data? 4/7

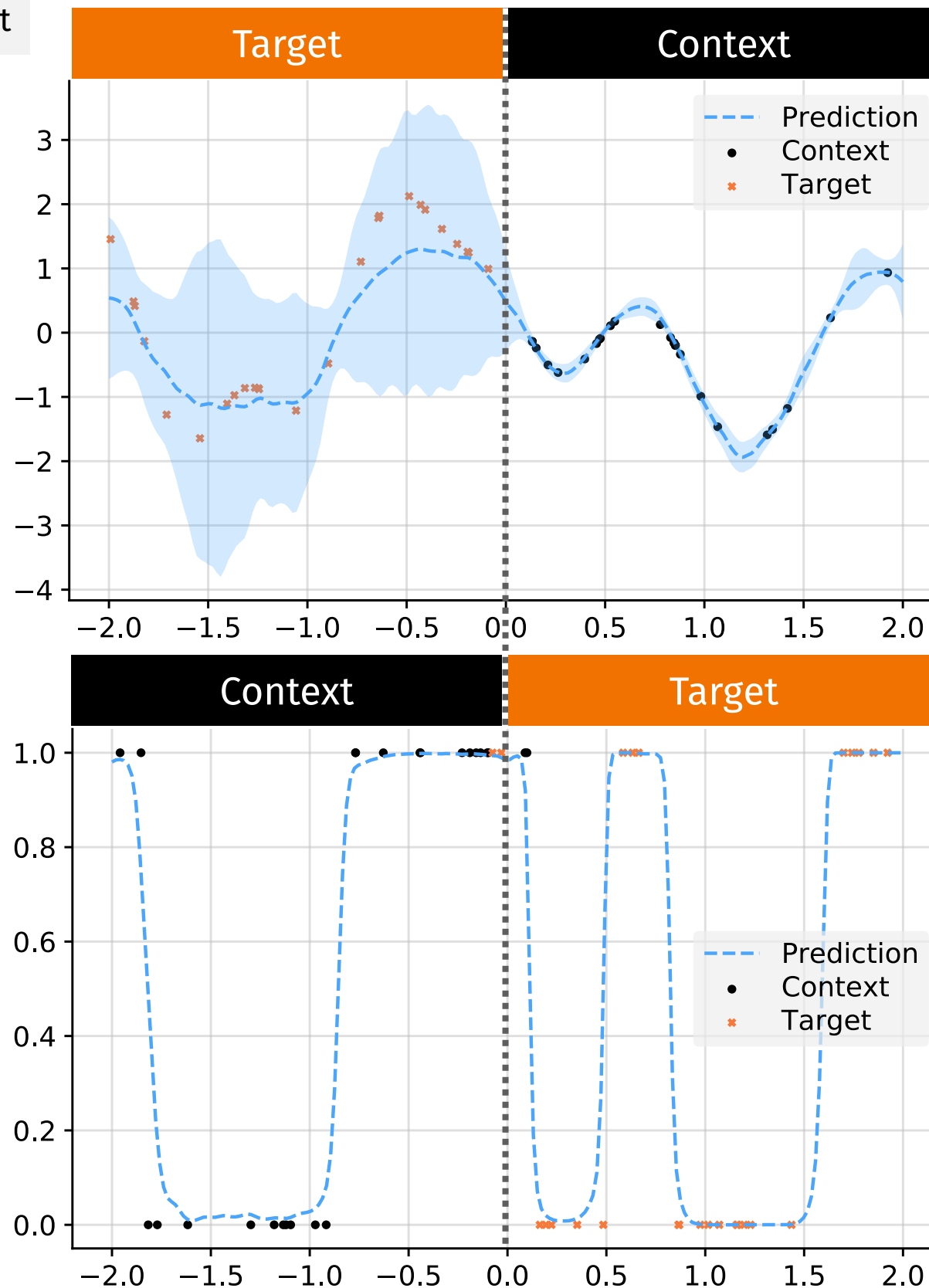
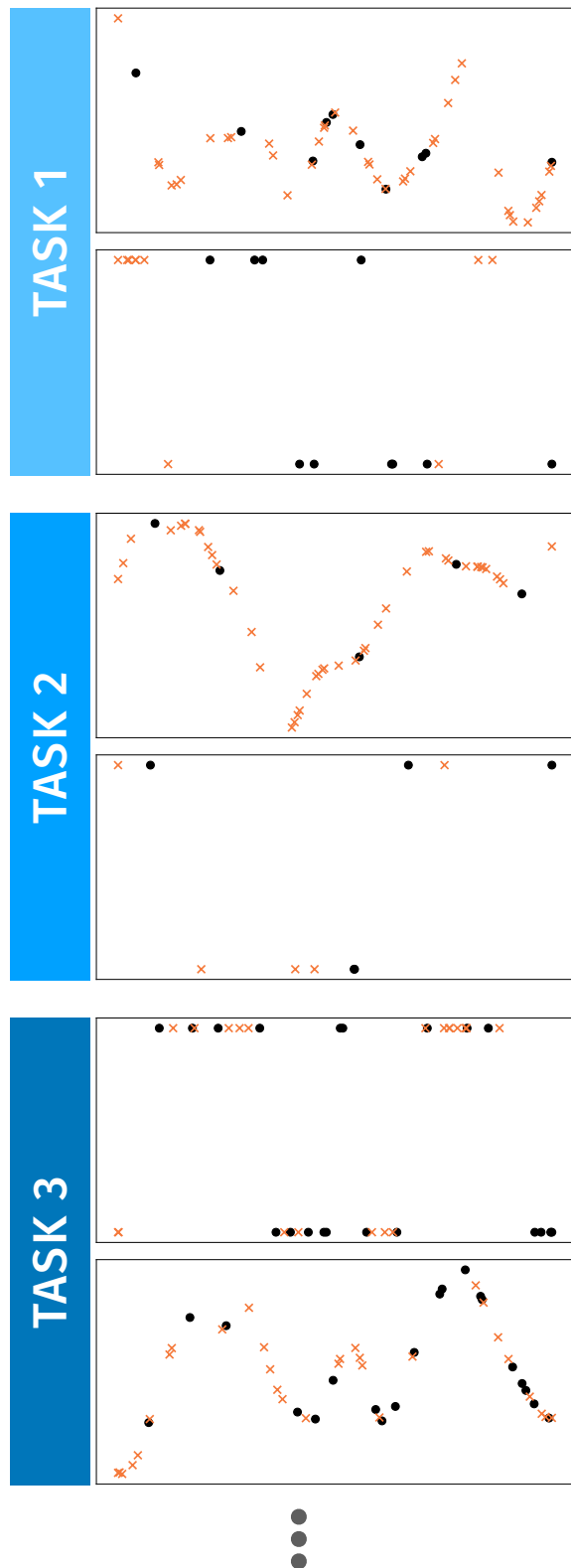
## Dual-output architecture



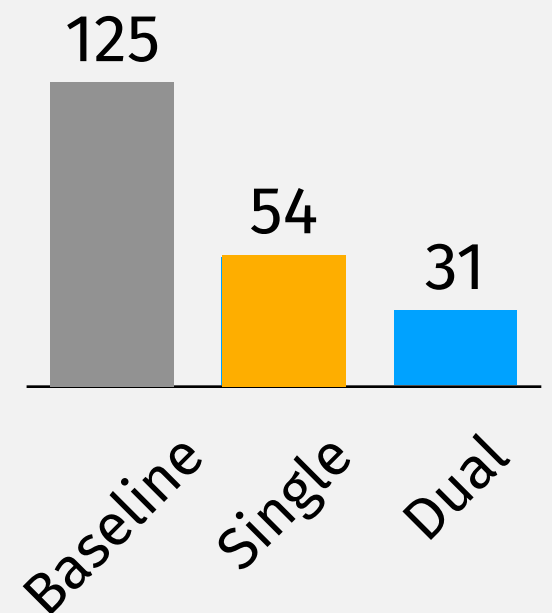
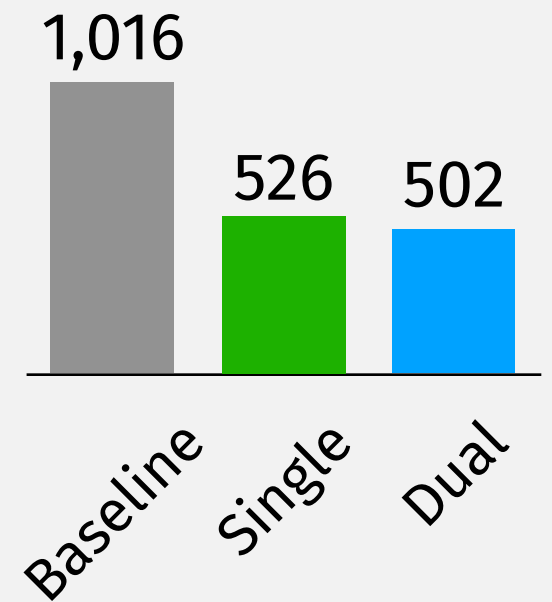
# How does the dual architecture perform? 5/7

## Training

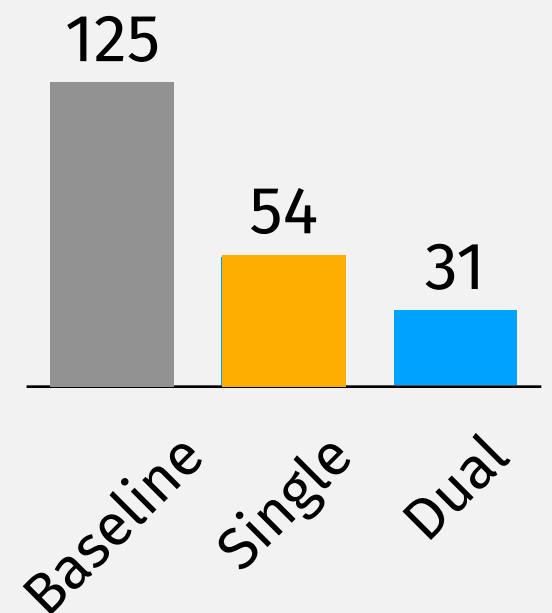
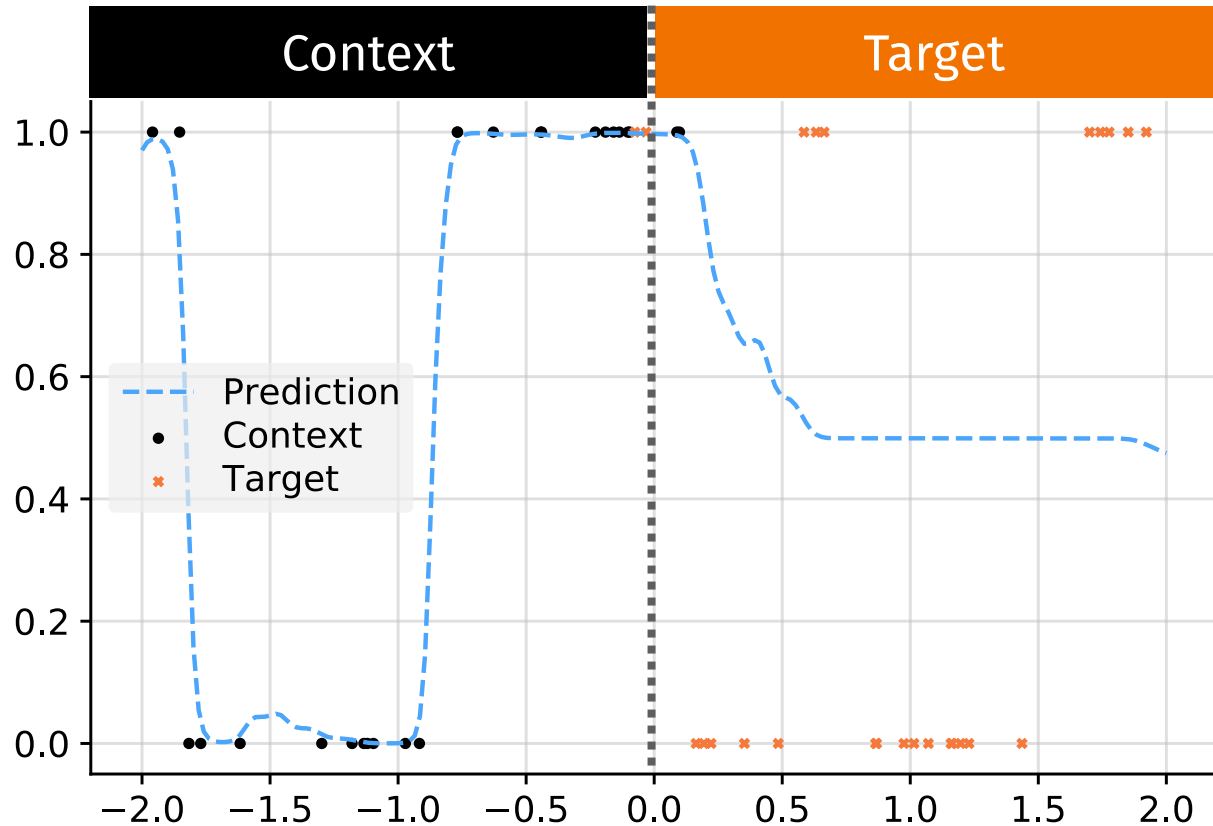
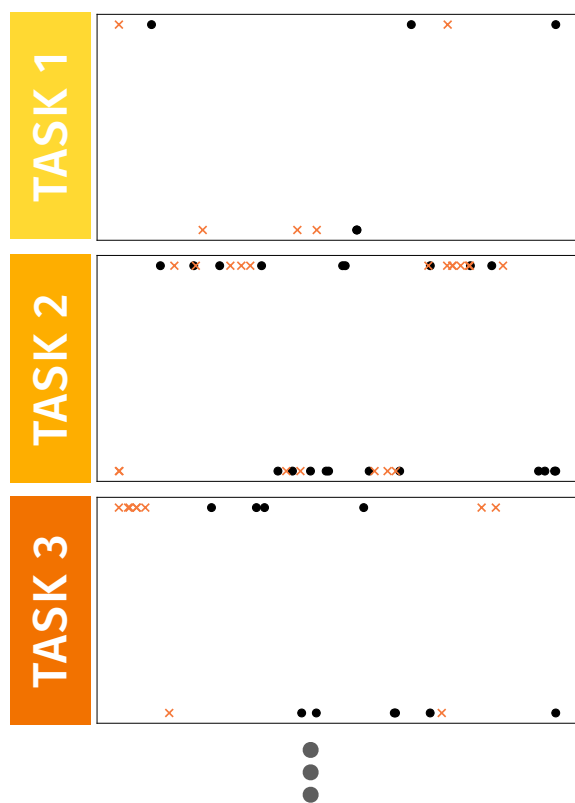
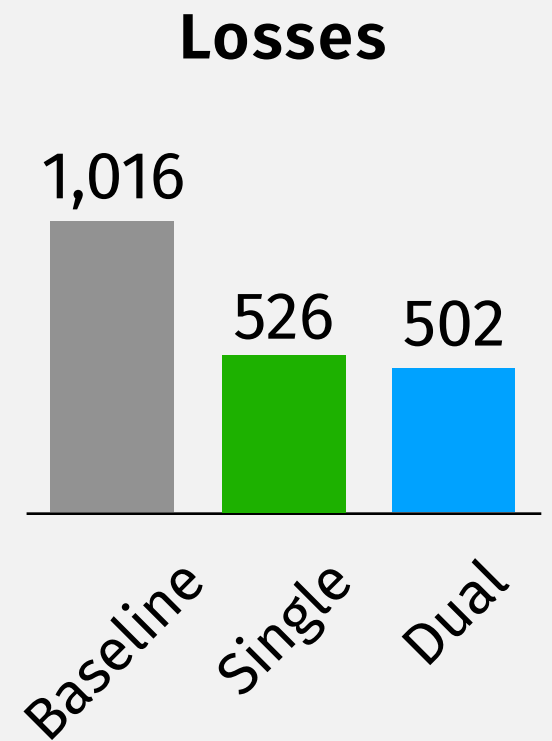
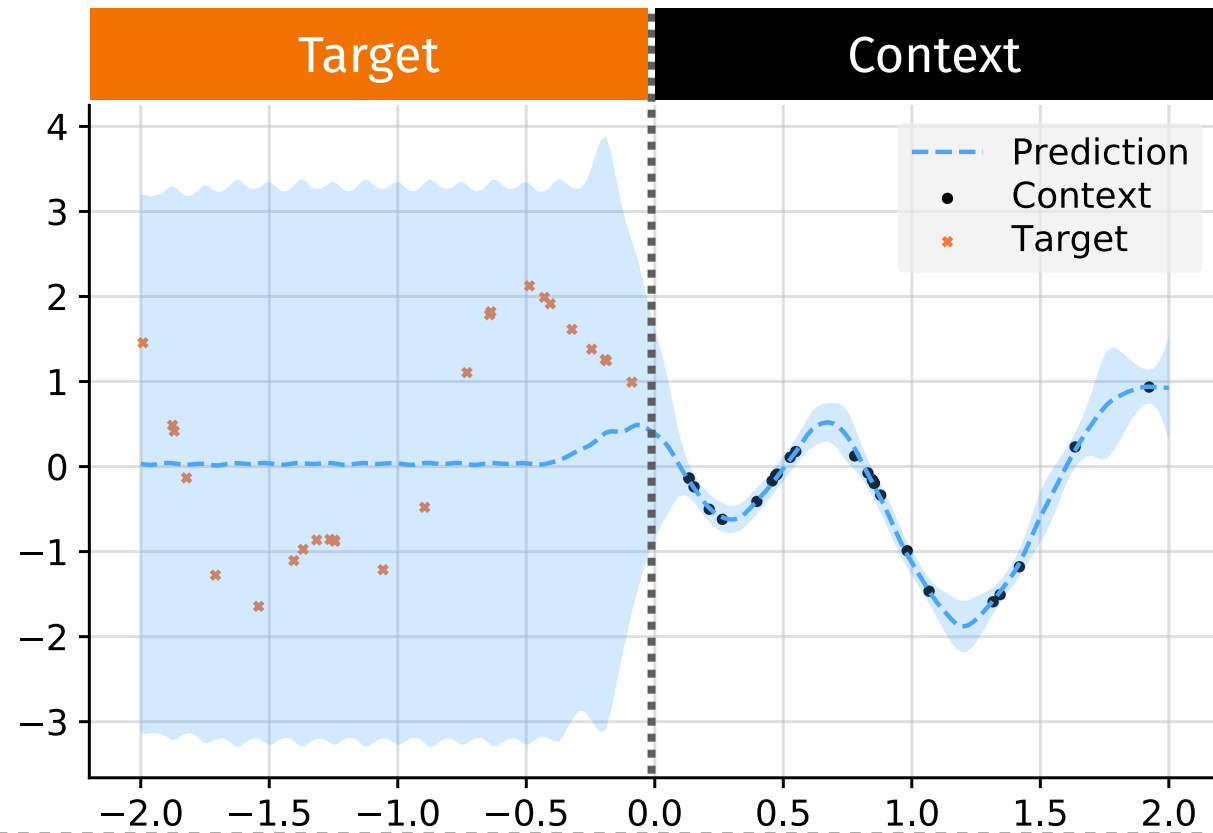
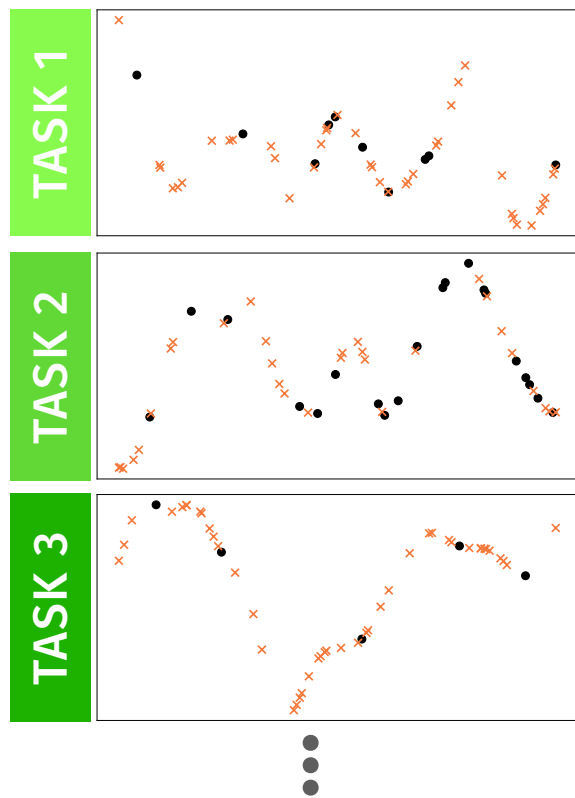
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## Losses

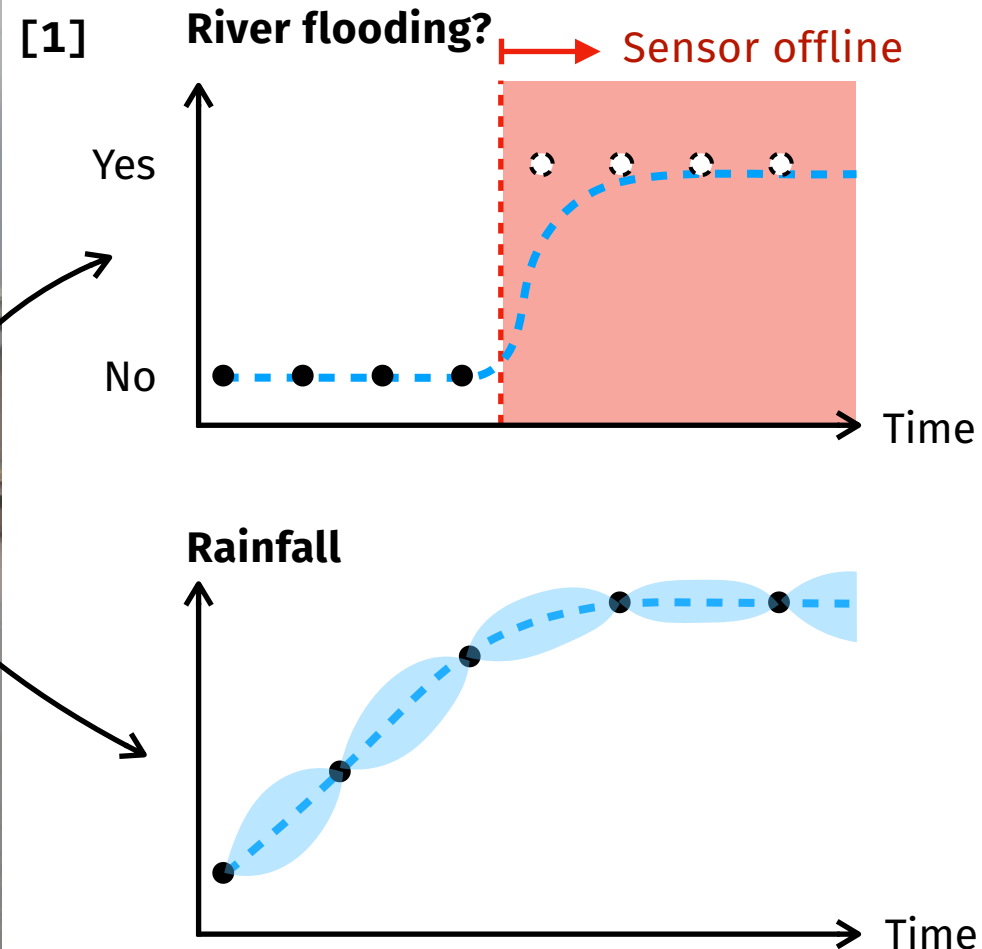
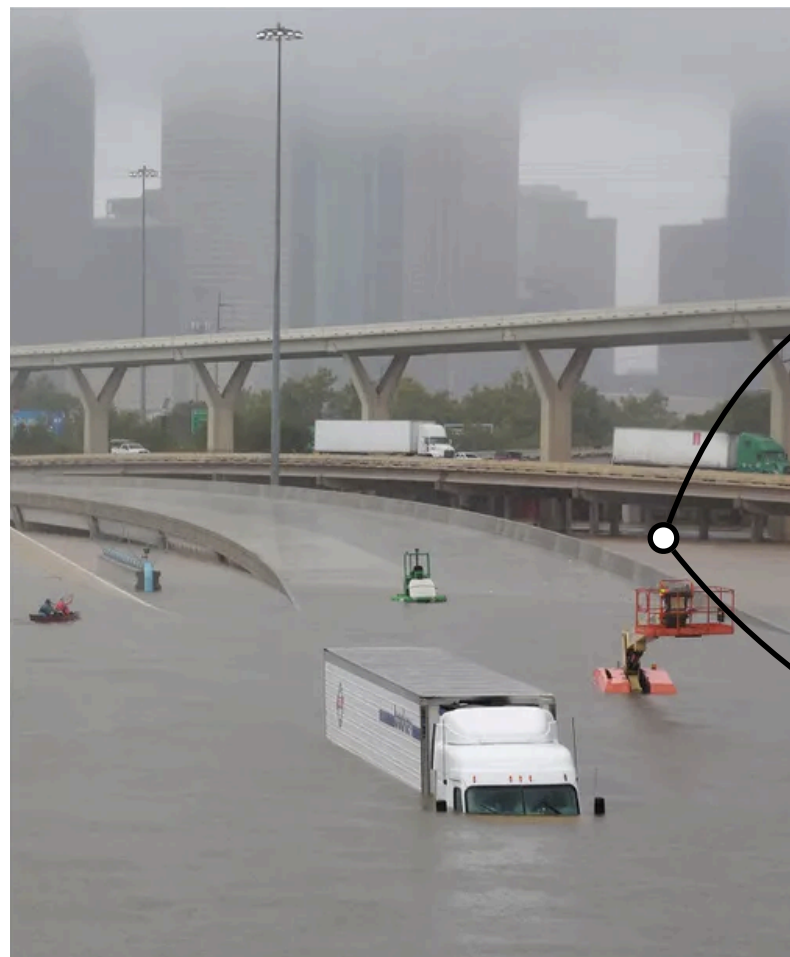


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# Conclusion

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Understand **literature** on neural processes



Build **dual architecture** from provided codebase

Term 1



Train and test on **synthetic data**



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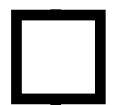


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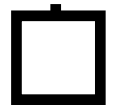


Train and test on **synthetic data**



Deploy on **real-world dataset** from environmental science

Term 2



Explore different **computational architectures**

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