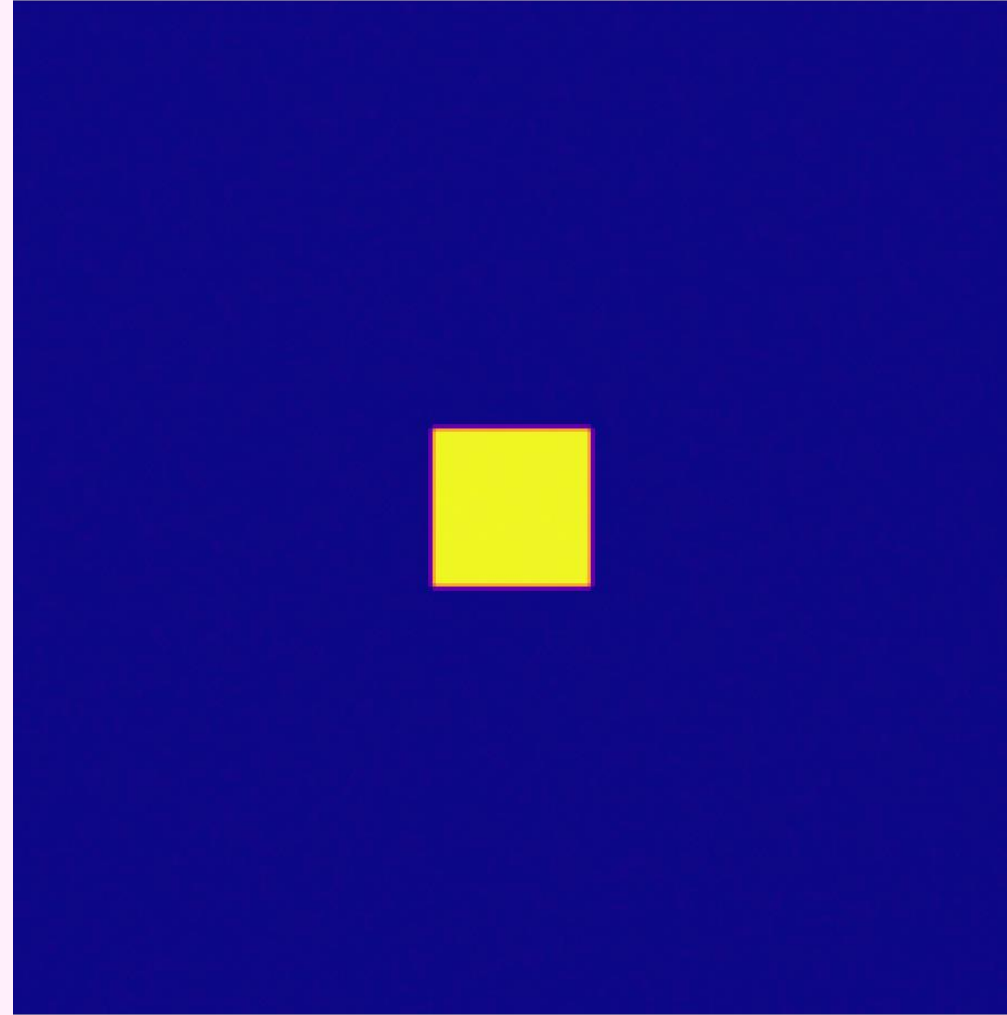


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# Turing patterns in reaction- diffusion systems

*By Carolina and Sophia*

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# Overview



Theory

Research question & motivation

Results: Pattern production

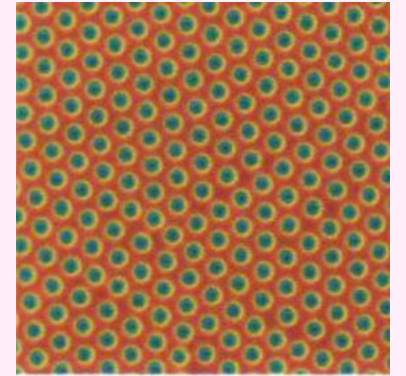
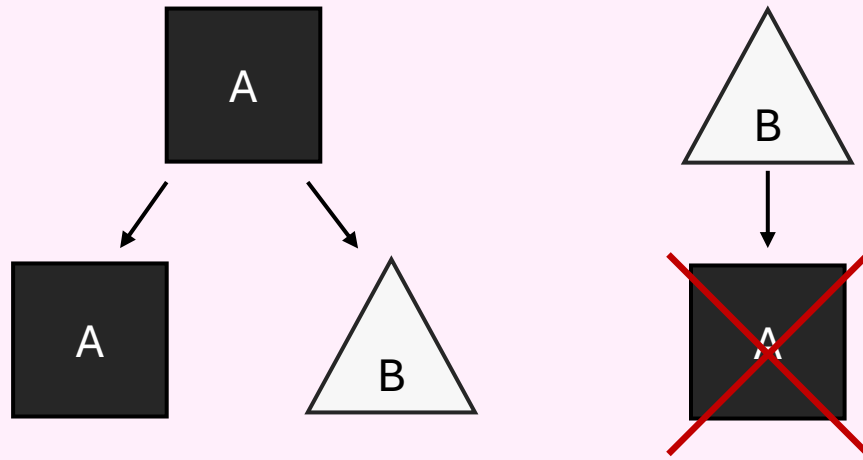
Results: Minkowski measures and functionals

Validity of results: Pearson comparison

Performance evaluation

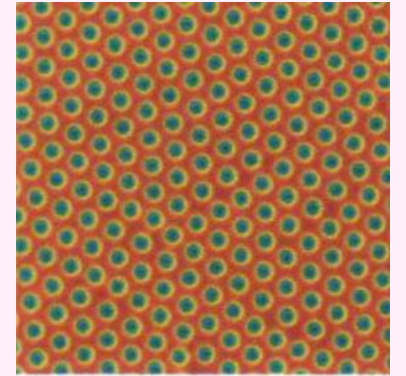
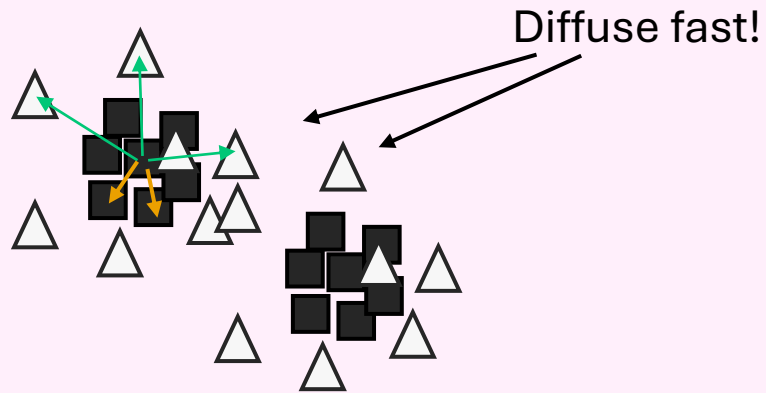
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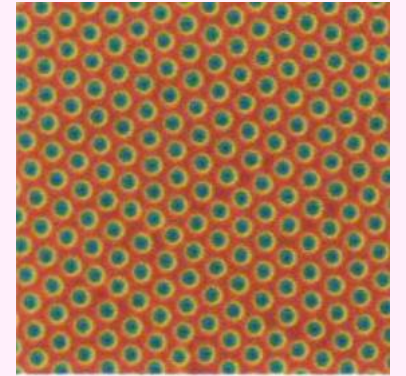
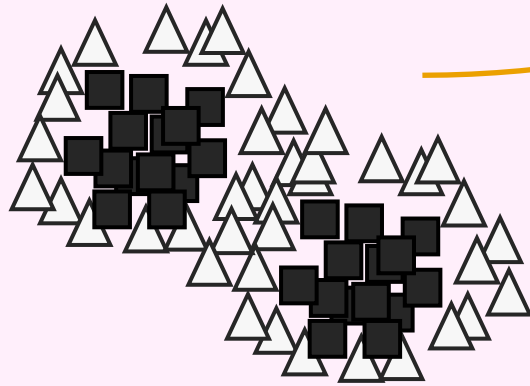
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# Theory: Grey-Scott model

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = D_u \nabla^2 u - uv^2 + F(1 - u)$$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = D_v \nabla^2 v + uv^2 - (F + k)v$$

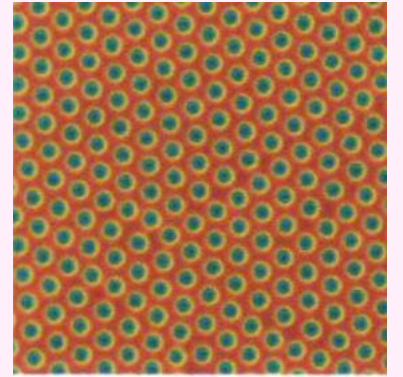
$u$  - activator (A)

$F$  - feed rate

$v$  - inhibitor (B)

$k$  - kill rate

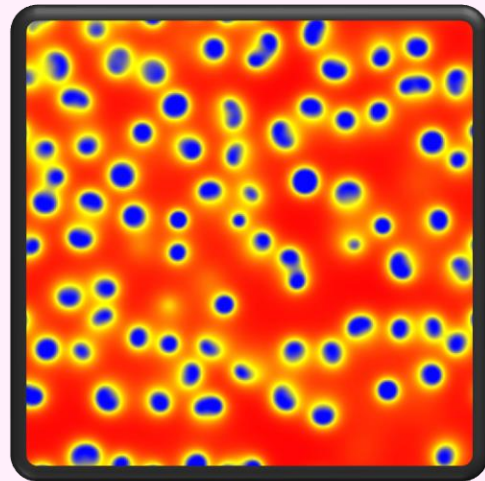
Solve using 5-point stencil in space dimension & forward Euler in time dimension





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# How can we quantify patterns?

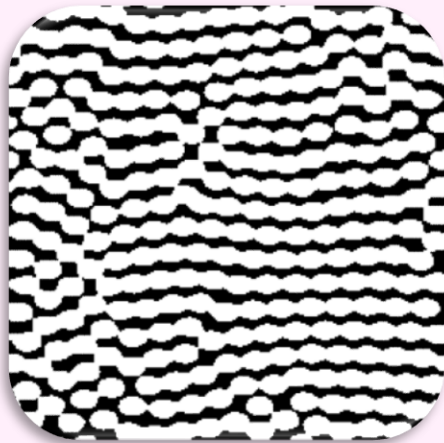
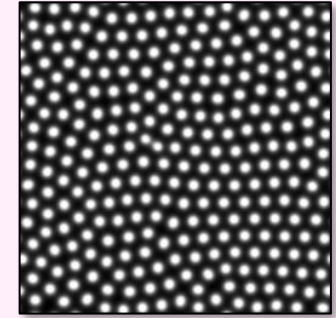


VS



# Theory: Minkowski Measures

- Apply measures at each threshold grey level (1-256)



$\rho = 50$

**V**

*White pixel area*



$\rho = 100$

**S**

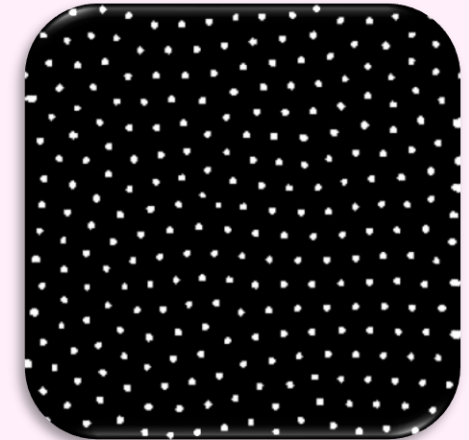
*Boundary length*



$\rho = 150$

**X**

*Euler characteristic*



$\rho = 200$

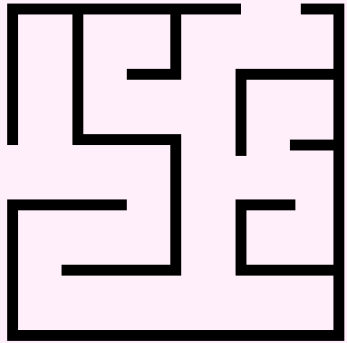


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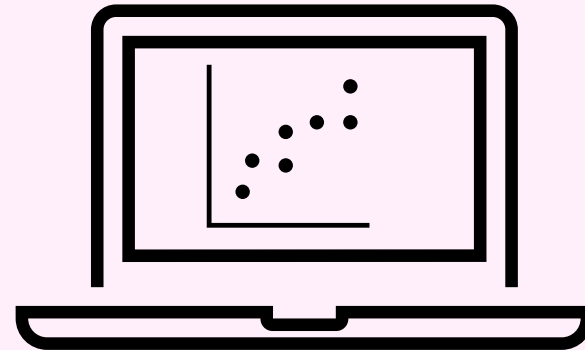
## Research question:

- Can we reproduce characteristic Turing patterns from the Gray–Scott model as reported in Pearson (1993), and
- Do our quantitative characterizations by Minkowski functionals correspond to experimental values established by Mecke (1996)?

# Motivation



Turing patterns can explain  
pattern formation in nature!



Little research on reproducing Mecke  
on modern simulations



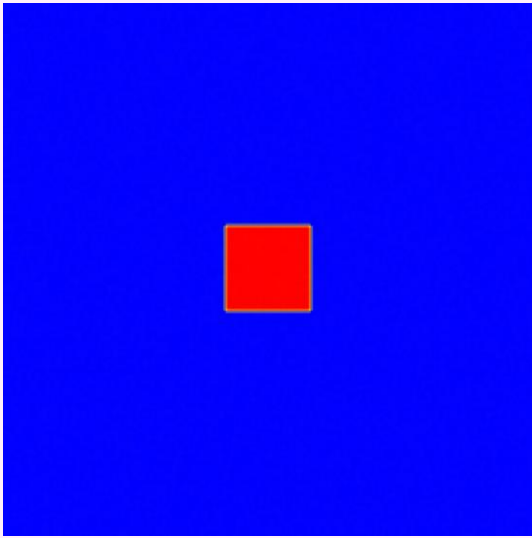
## Results

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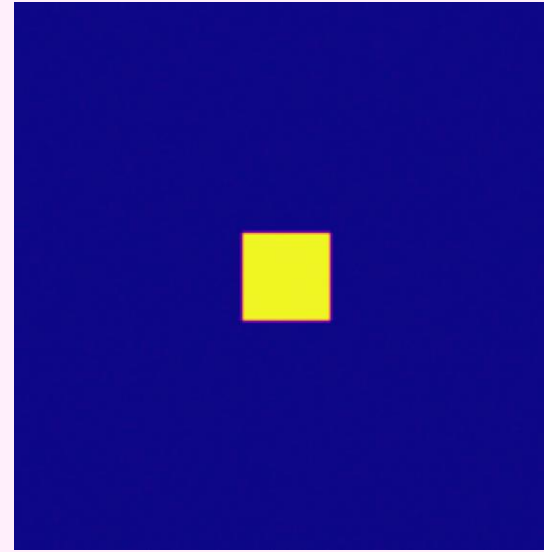
**The simulated system**

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# Time-evolved simulations



Simulation for stripe pattern



Simulation for dotted pattern





## Results

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# **The Minkowski measures and functionals**



# Comparing to literature

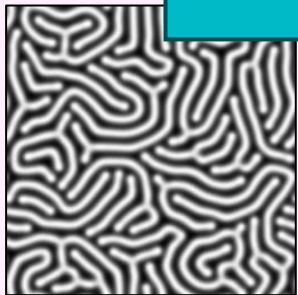
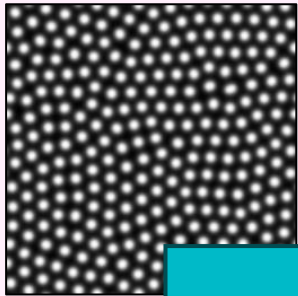
## Morphological characterization of patterns in reaction-diffusion systems

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(Received 24 October 1995)

SIMULATION



V

S

X

Transform into  
functional form

$p_v$

$p_s$

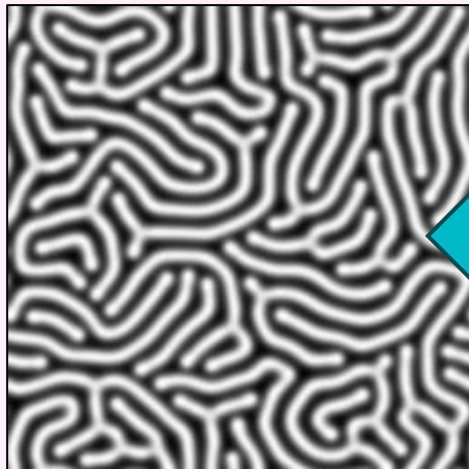
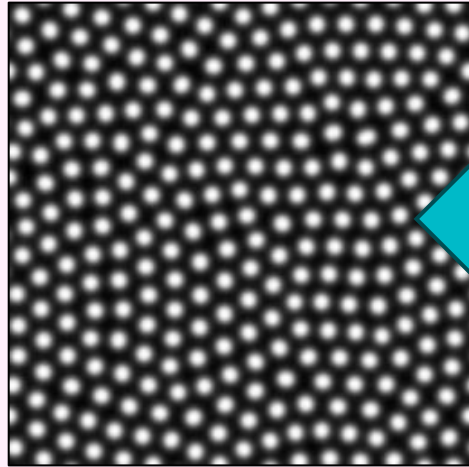
$p_x$



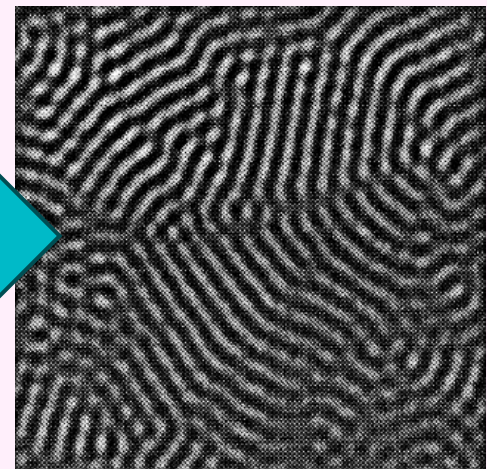
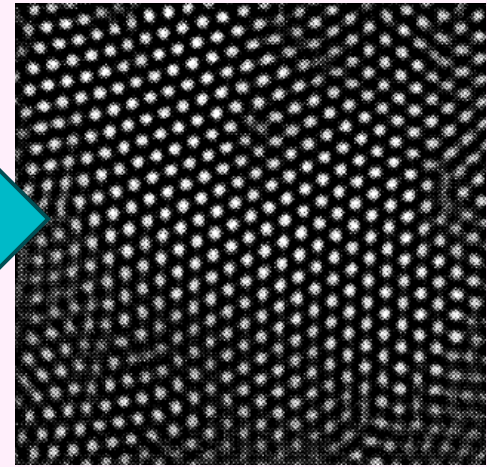
*Dots*

*Stripes*

SIMULATION



EXPERIMENT



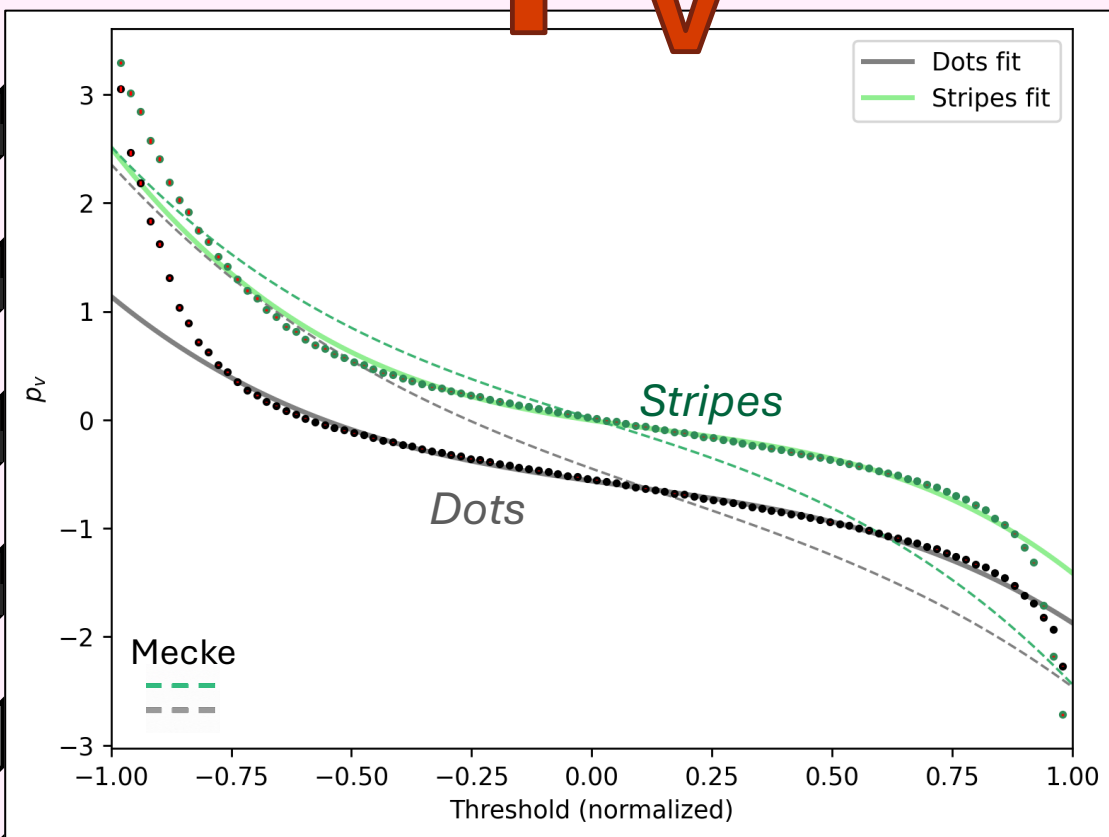
$p_v$

$p_s$

$p_x$

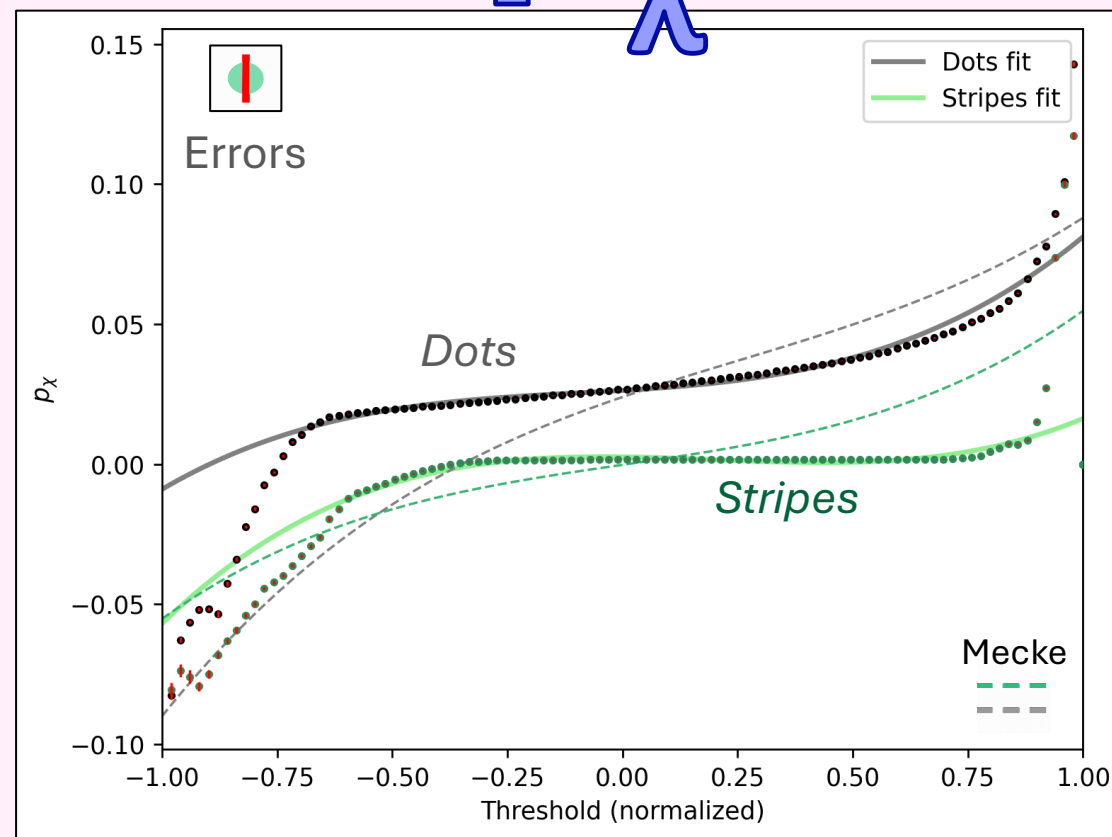
Images from Mecke's *Morphological characterization of patterns in reaction-diffusion systems* (1996)

$p_v$



| RMS | Dots  | Stripes |
|-----|-------|---------|
|     | 0.118 | 0.084   |

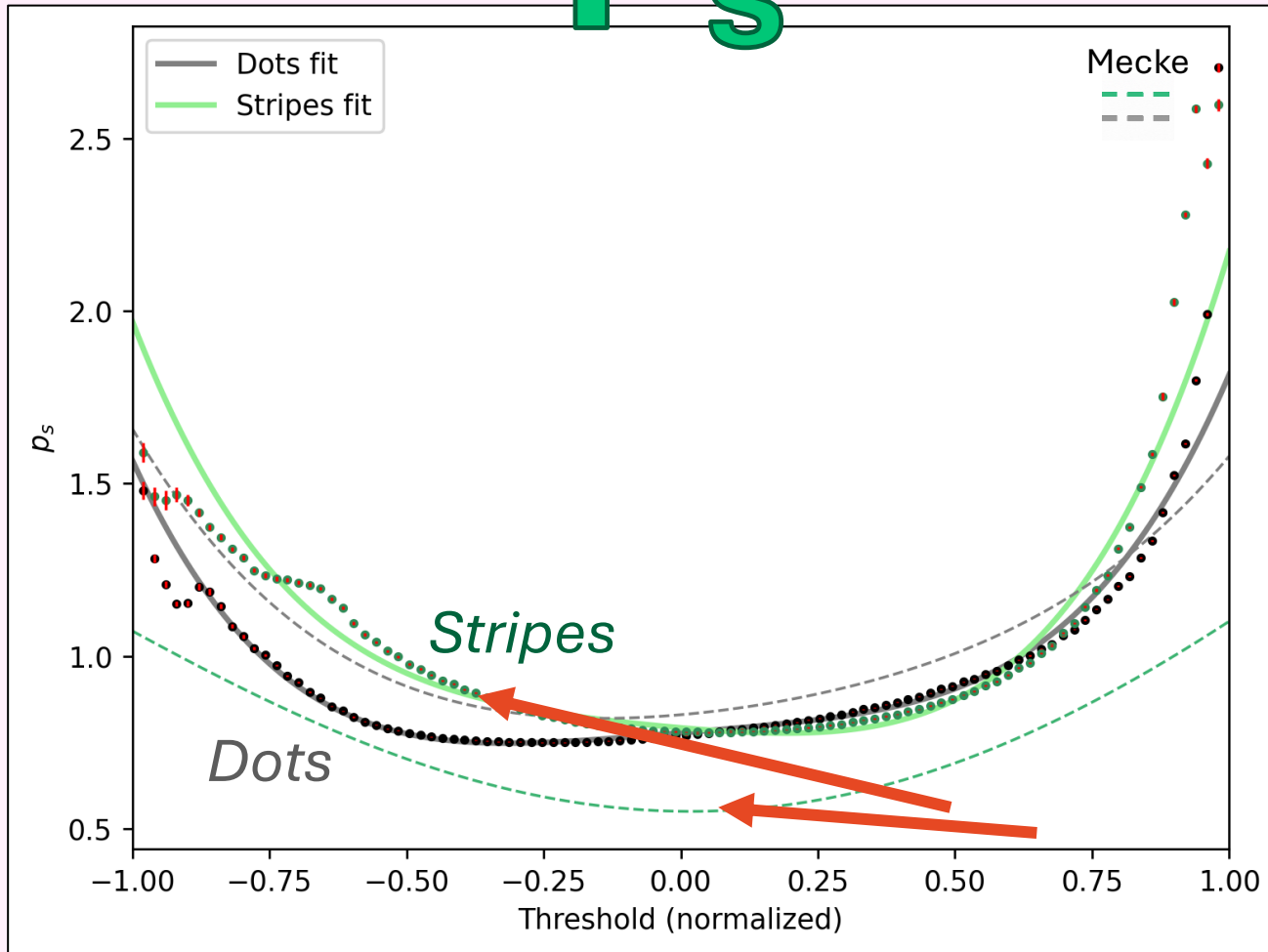
$p_x$



| RMS | Dots  | Stripes |
|-----|-------|---------|
|     | 0.176 | 0.137   |



$p_s$



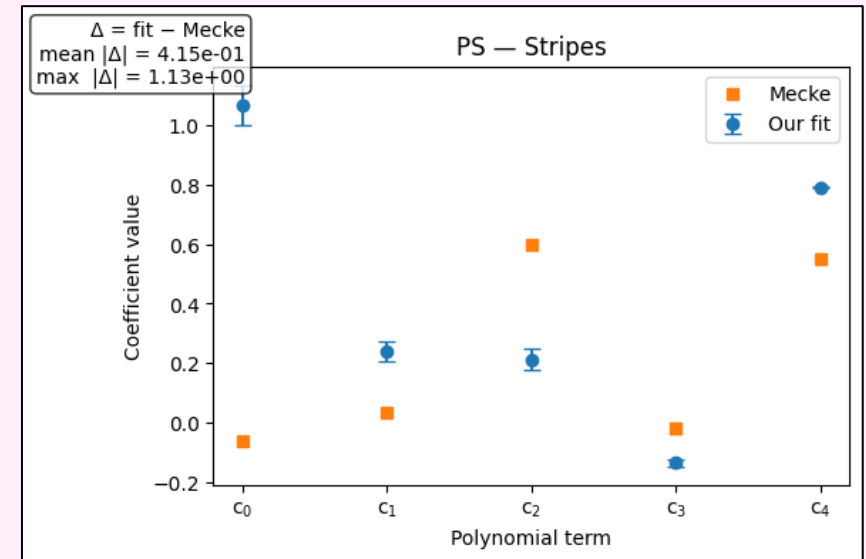
## RMS vs Mecke

*Dots*

*Stripes*

0.131

0.720



\*Coefficient errors for all fits in appendix



Validity of simulation results

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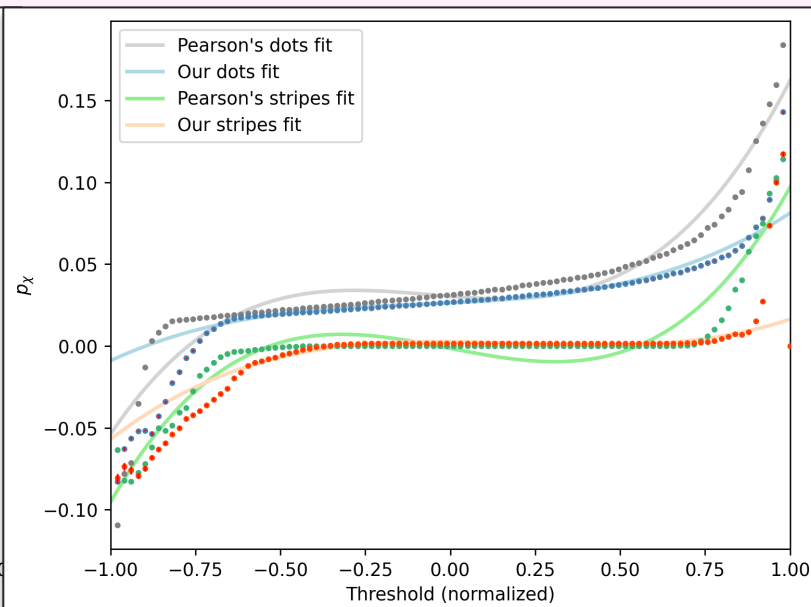
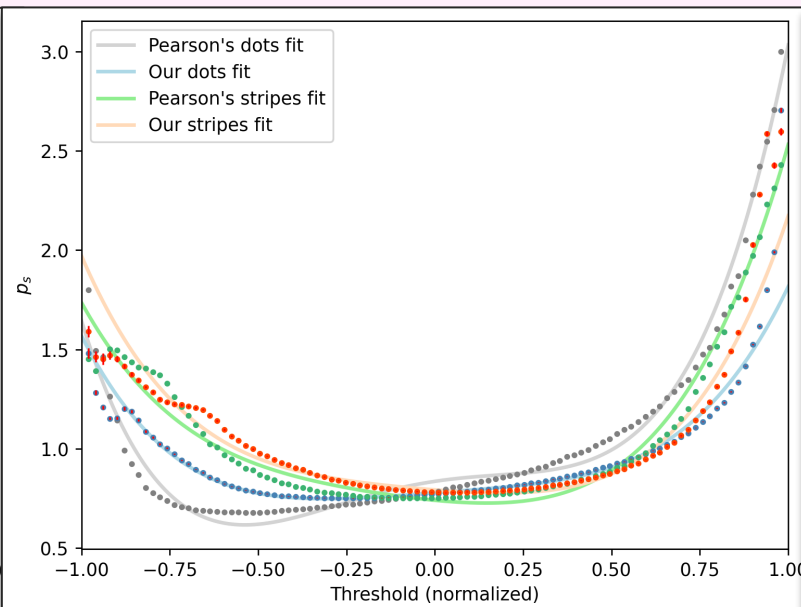
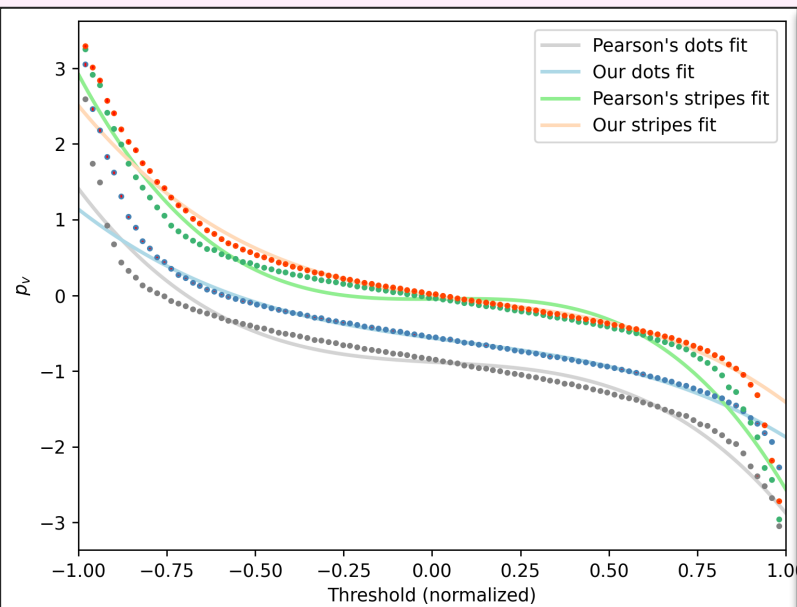
**Comparing our functionals to  
Pearson's (1993)**



$p_v$

$p_s$

$p_x$



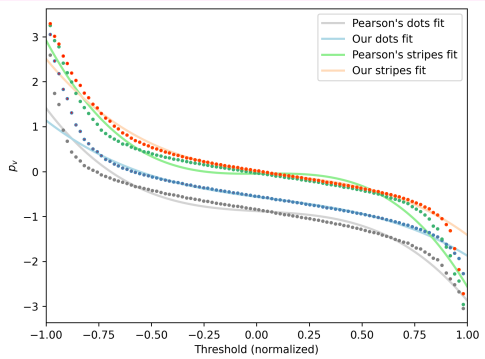
# Statistical analysis:

Pearson's vs. our functionals

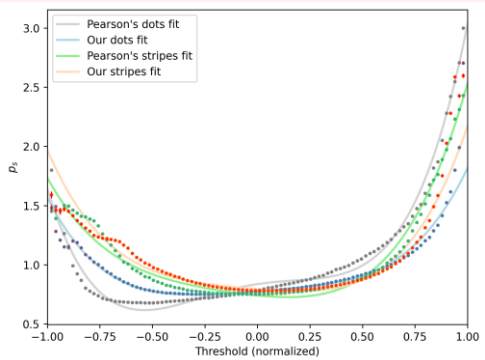
| RMS         |                |
|-------------|----------------|
| <i>Dots</i> | <i>Stripes</i> |
| 0.131       | 0.080          |
| 0.283       | 0.083          |
| 0.258       | 0.290          |

| Orientation agreement |                             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Same-sign</i>      | <i>Pearson corr. coeff.</i> |
| 1.000                 | 0.851                       |
| 0.698                 | 0.531                       |
| 1.000                 | 0.893                       |

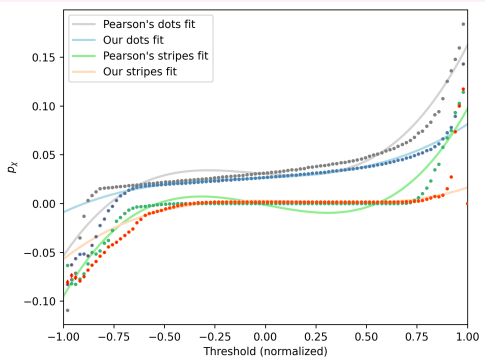
$p_v$



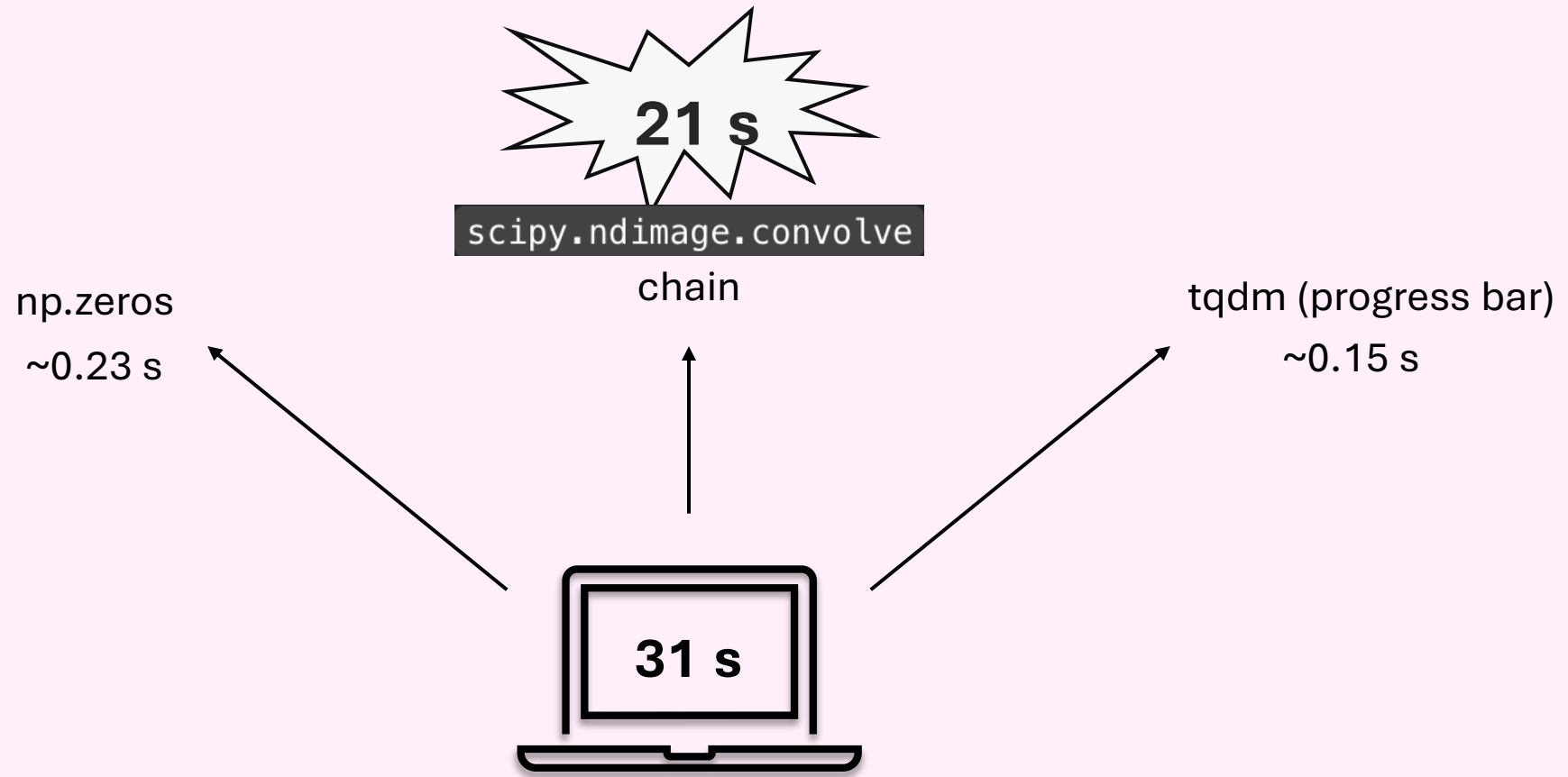
$p_s$



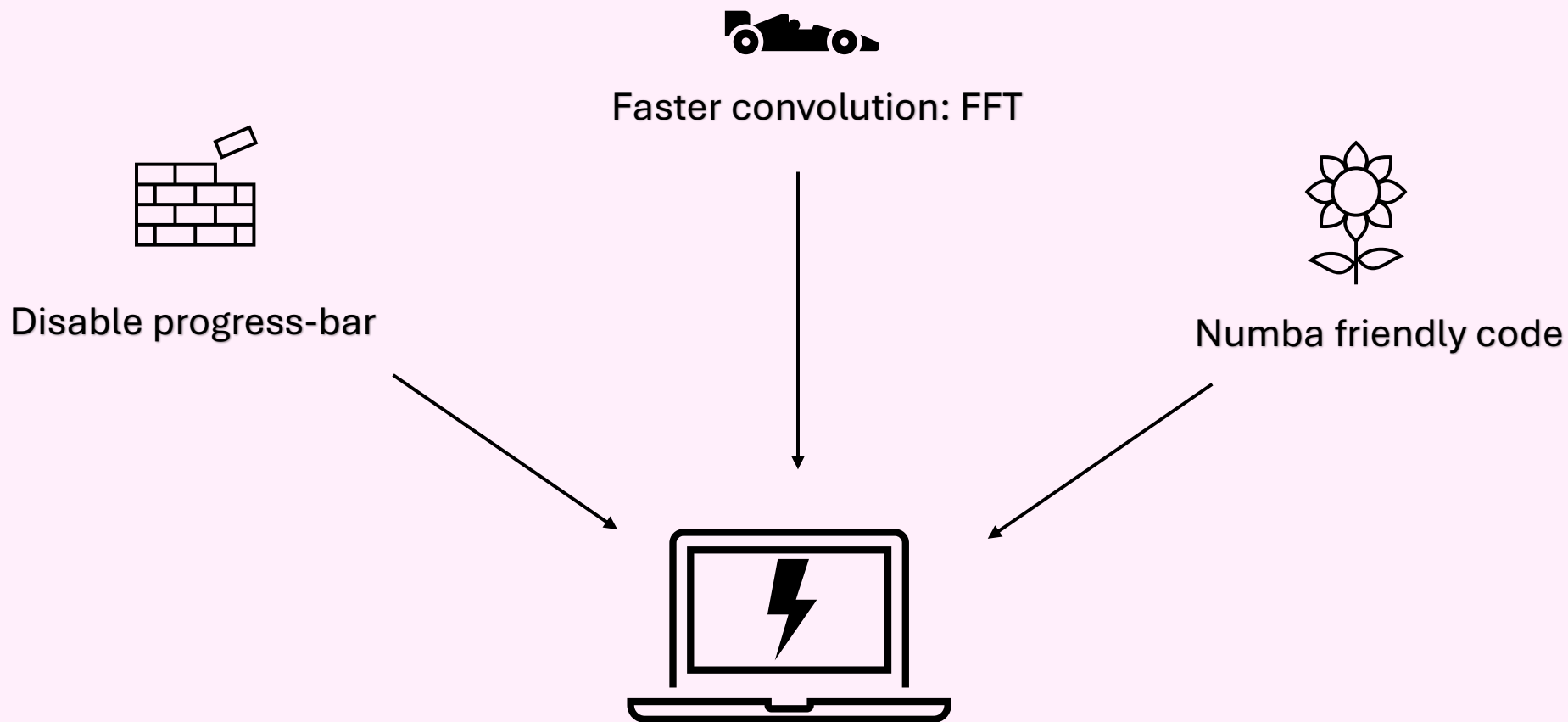
$p_x$



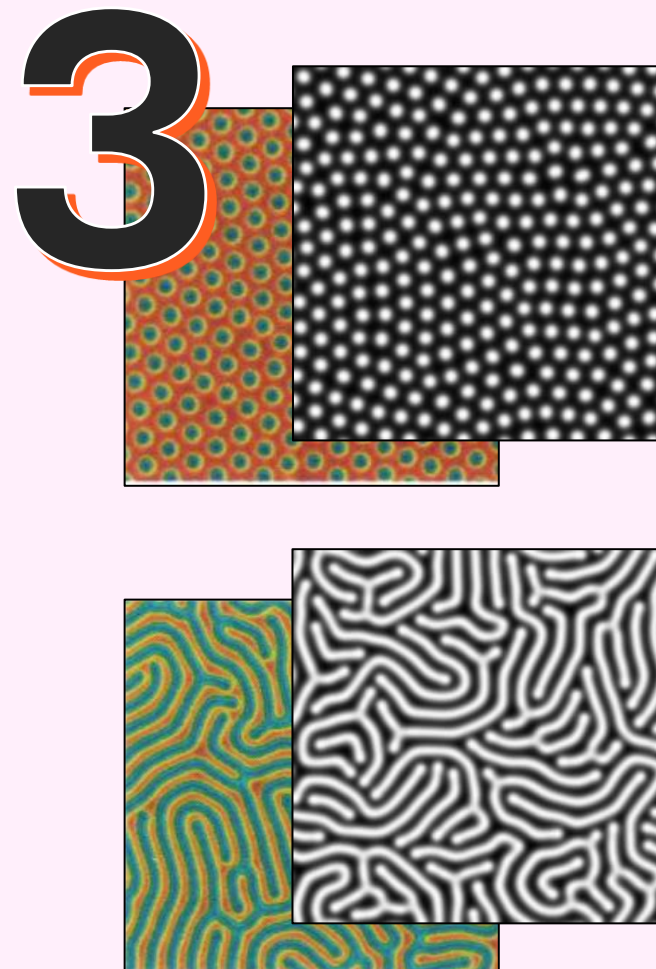
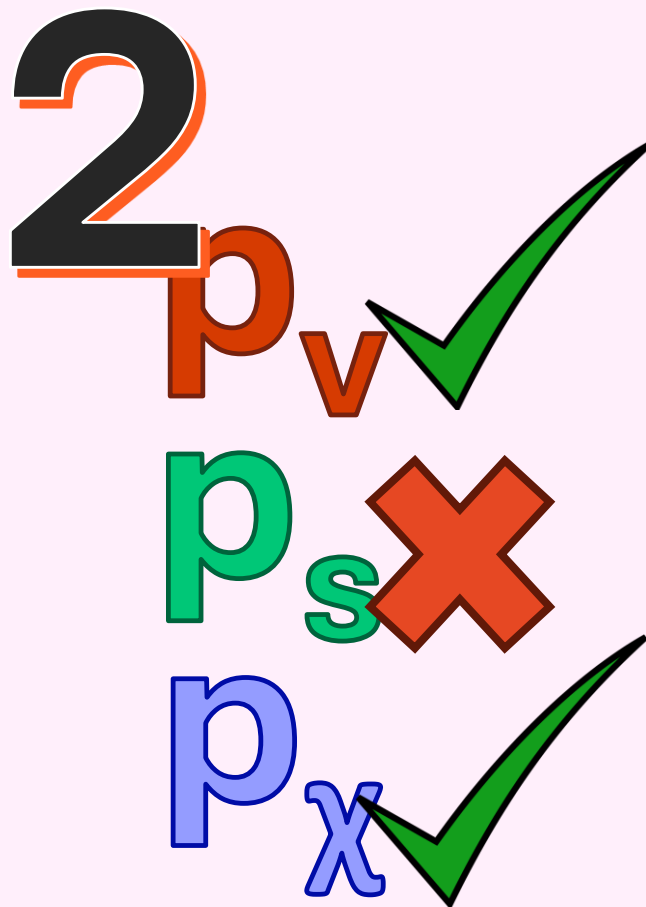
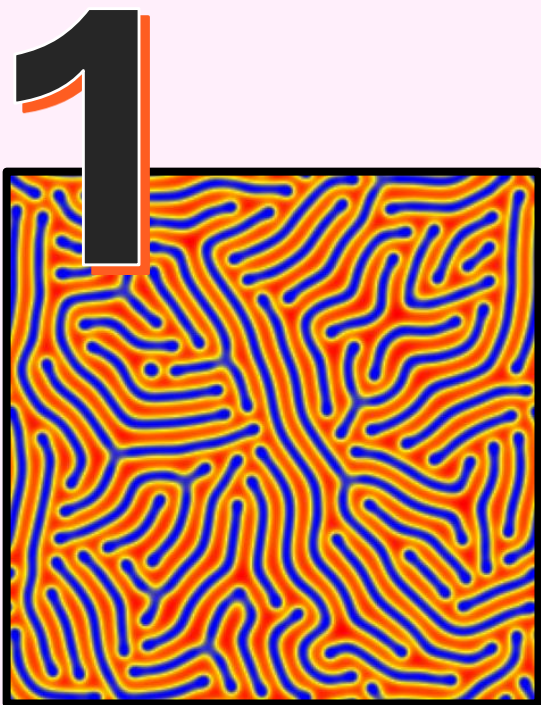
# Performance evaluation



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# Conclusion



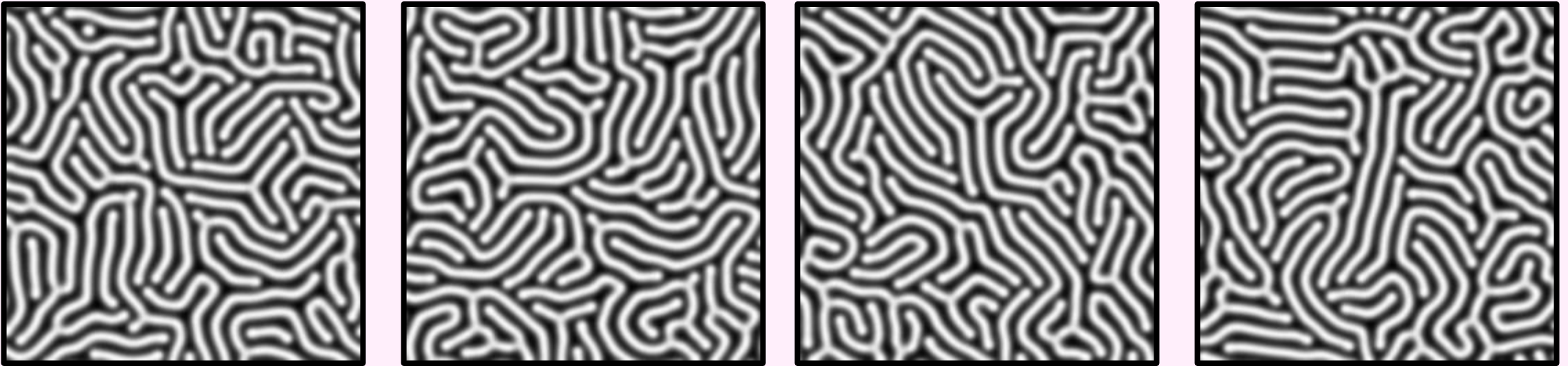


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**Thank you for listening!**

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## Extra slides: Errors



Different RNG seeds for each run – 20 runs, mean and std error for  $p$ ,  $v$  and  $\chi$ , as well as  $p_v$ ,  $p_s$ ,  $p_{\chi}$

## Polynomial analysis

$$\text{NRMS}_{\text{range}} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N [P_1(r_i) - P_2(r_i)]^2}}{\max_r P_2(r) - \min_r P_2(r)}$$

Normalised RMS to compare p\_chi with the others;  
a dimensionless ‘fraction-of-full-height’ error

$$\rho = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (\Delta_{\text{ours}}(r_i) - \bar{\Delta}_{\text{ours}})(\Delta_{\text{Mecke}}(r_i) - \bar{\Delta}_{\text{Mecke}})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^N (\Delta_{\text{ours}}(r_i) - \bar{\Delta}_{\text{ours}})^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^N (\Delta_{\text{Mecke}}(r_i) - \bar{\Delta}_{\text{Mecke}})^2}},$$

Pearson coefficient – measures linear relationship between two variables; shows us global consistency of fluctuations around the mean (mean-centered, d/n take into account vertical offsets).  
Cosine angle between two sampled difference vectors

$$\Delta_{\text{ours}}(r) = P_{\text{dots}}(r) - P_{\text{stripes}}(r), \Delta_{\text{Mecke}}(r) = M_{\text{dots}}(r) - M_{\text{stripes}}(r).$$

$$f_{\text{same}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{1}[\Delta_{\text{ours}}(r_i) \Delta_{\text{Mecke}}(r_i) > 0],$$

Fraction of thresholds whose orientation matches

# Theory: Minkowski Measures

- Geometric measures for morphological differences

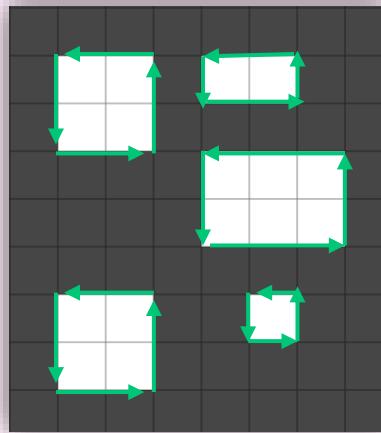
$$\frac{N_{wp}}{N}$$



V

White pixel area

$$\frac{B_l}{N}$$



S

Boundary length

$$\frac{C_w - C_B}{N}$$

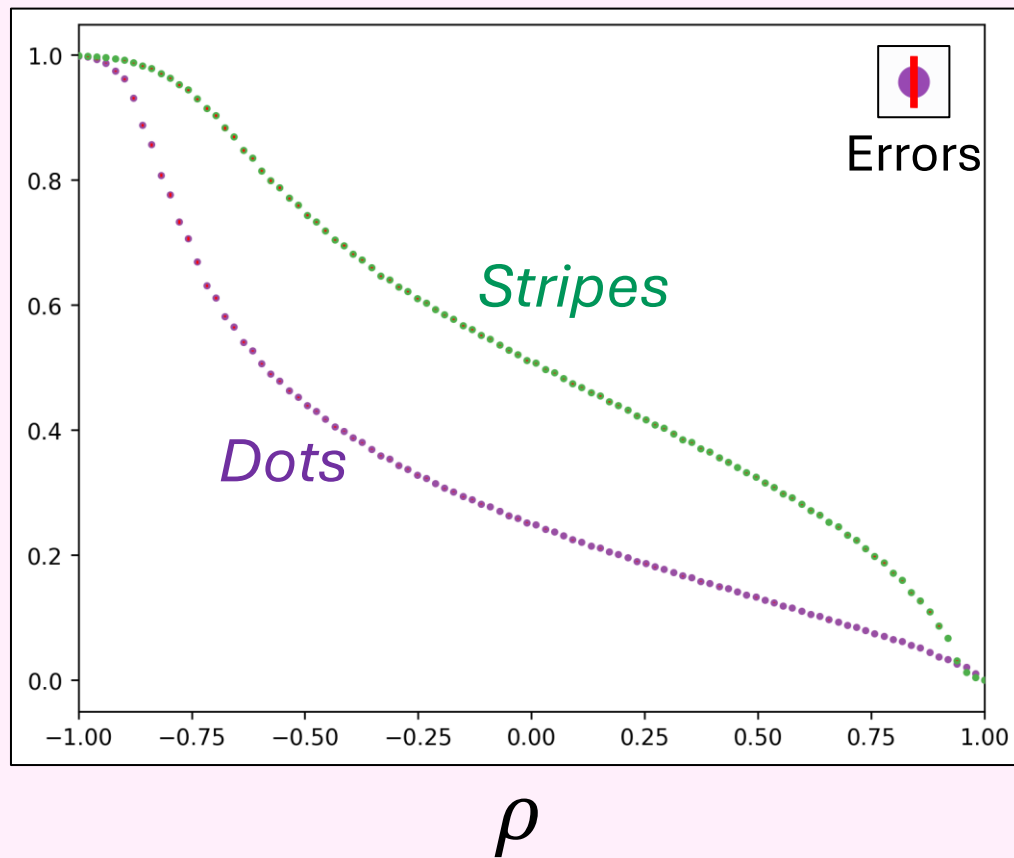


X

Euler characteristic

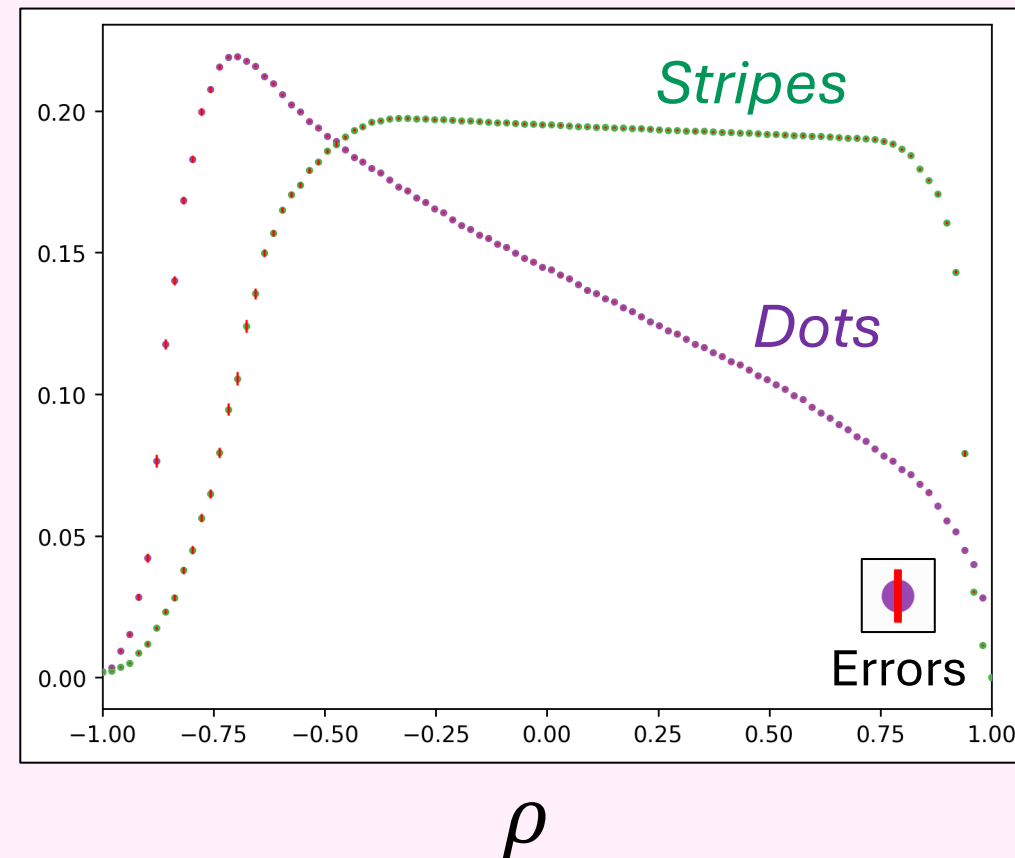
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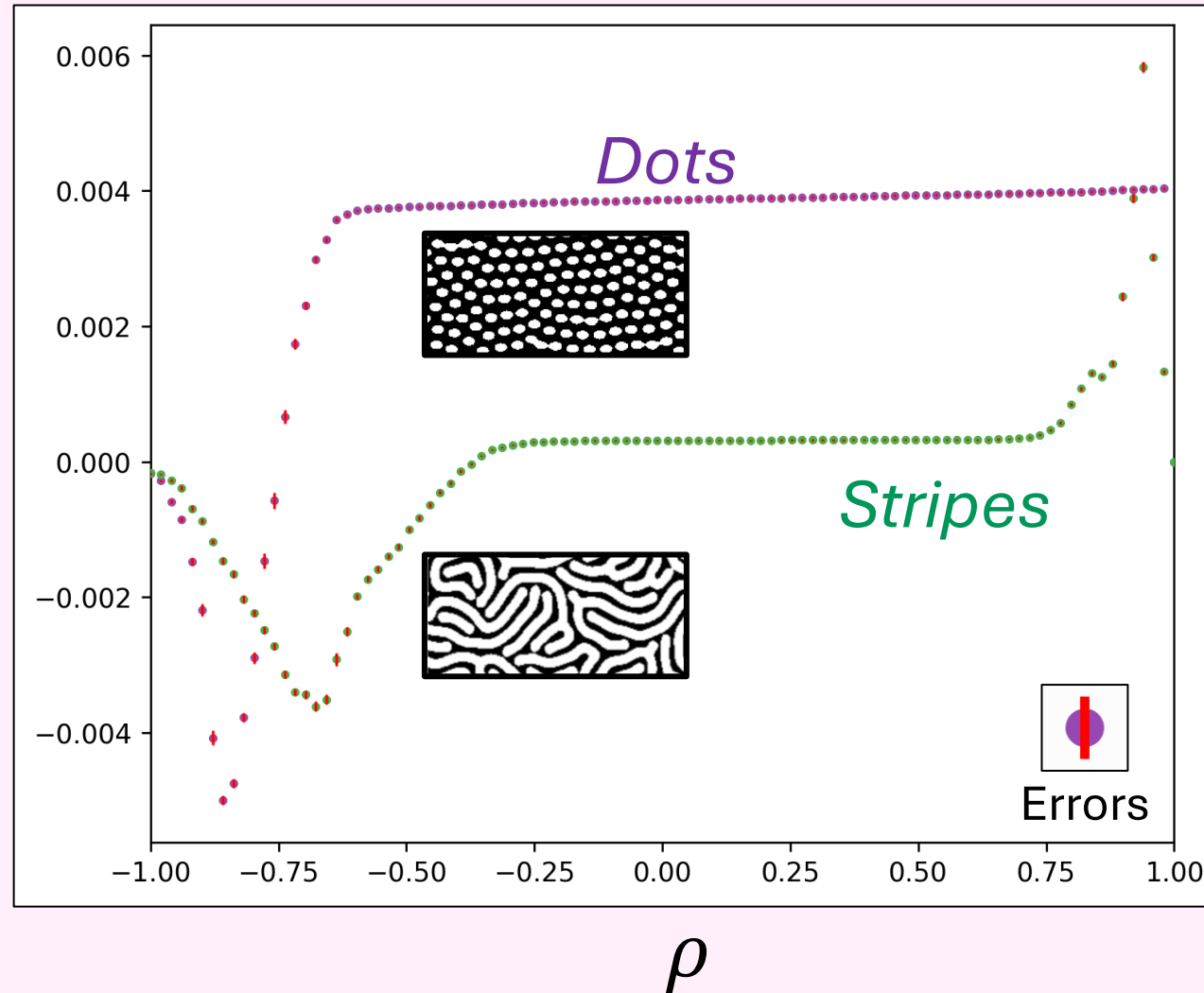
S





# Difference in # of components

X



# Extra slides: Functional forms

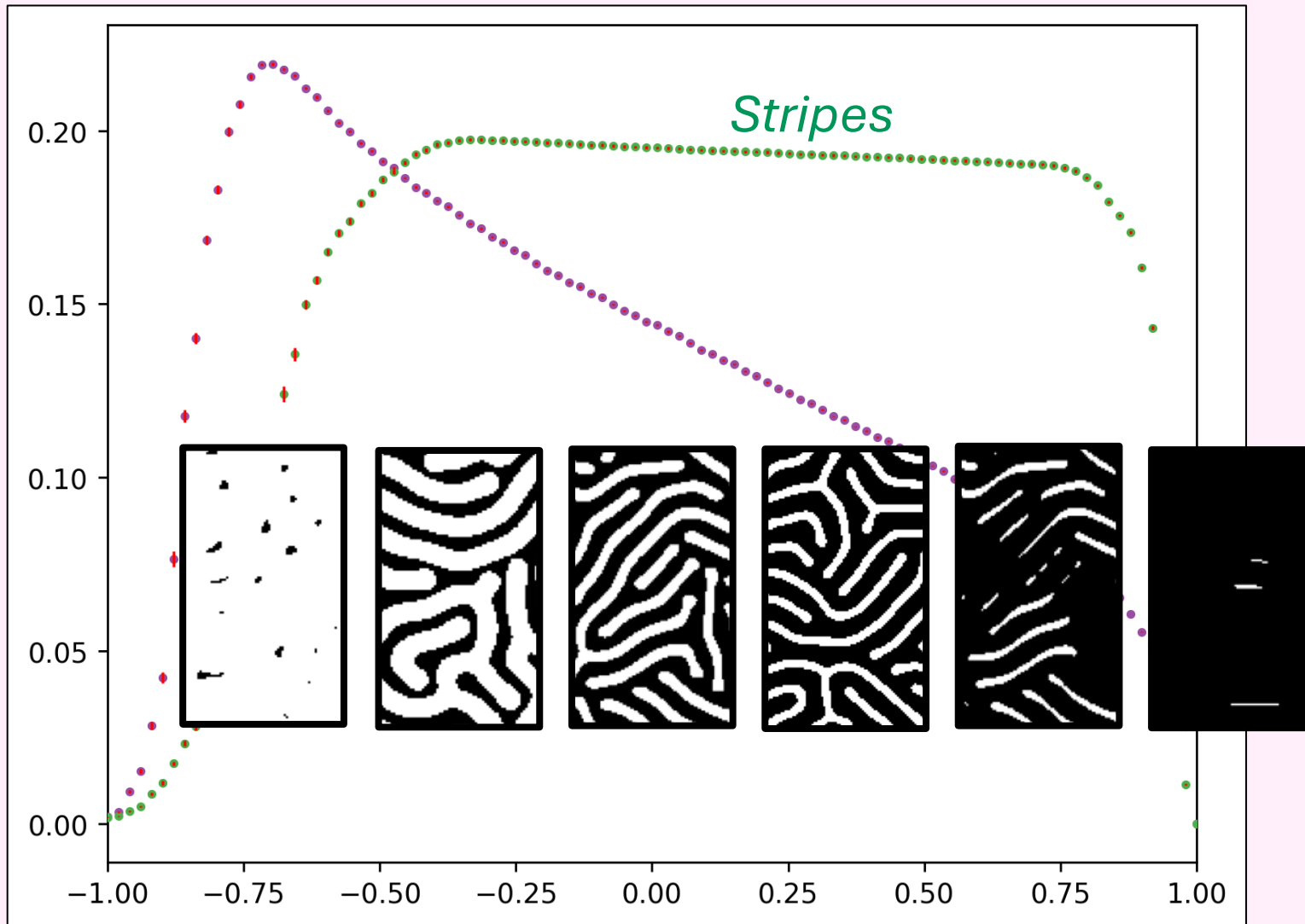
$$p_v(\rho) = \tanh^{-1}(2v - 1),$$

$$p_s(\rho) = \frac{s}{v(1-v)} = 4s \cosh^2[p_v(\rho)],$$

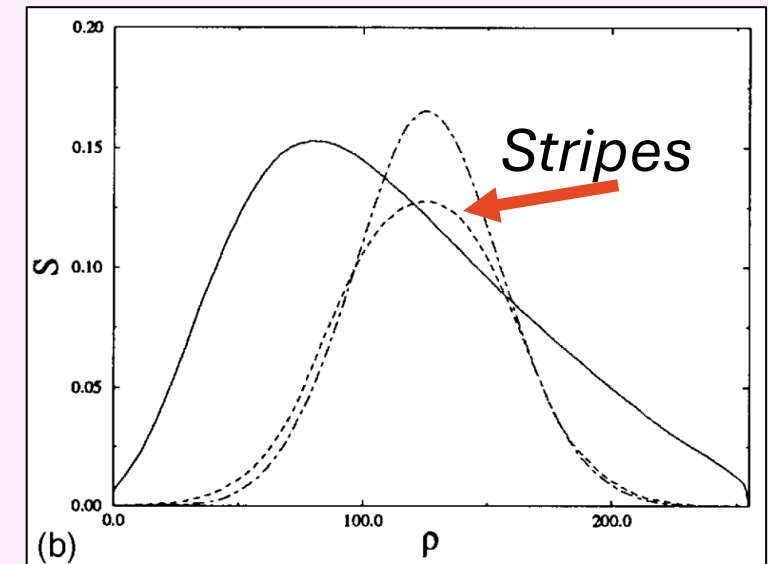
$$p_\chi(\rho) = \frac{\chi}{s},$$

Chosen by Mecke because the functionals occur in many fields of physics. Direct connection to reaction-diffusion systems unclear.

Allows for polynomial fitting – and coefficients that depend on experimental conditions

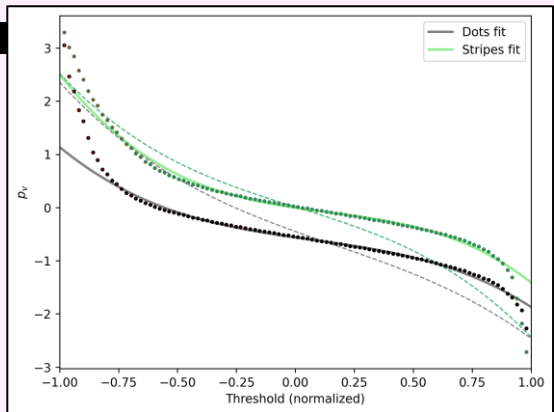


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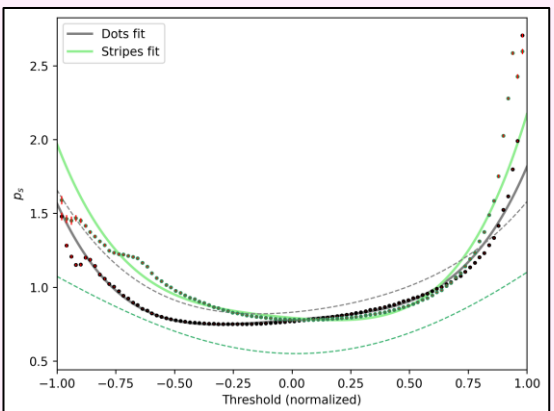


Shape due to  
inhomogeneities in  
experimental photos?

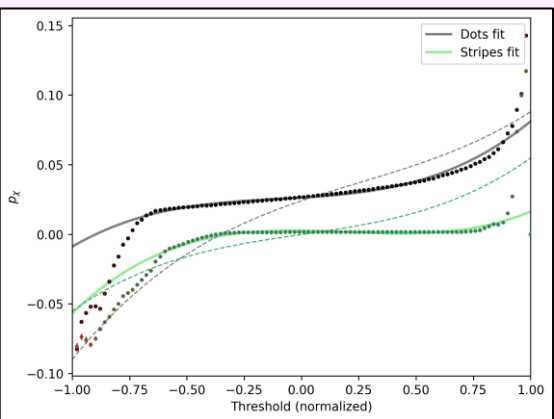
$p_v$



$p_s$



$p_x$

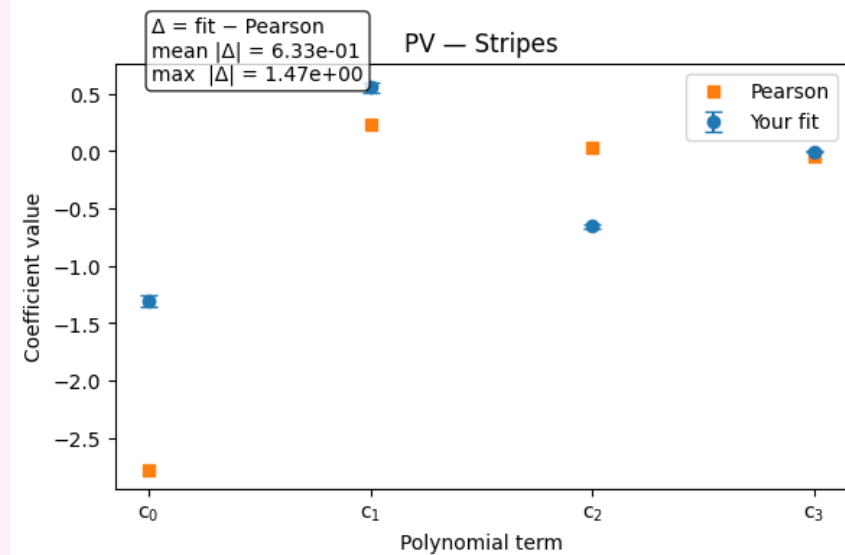
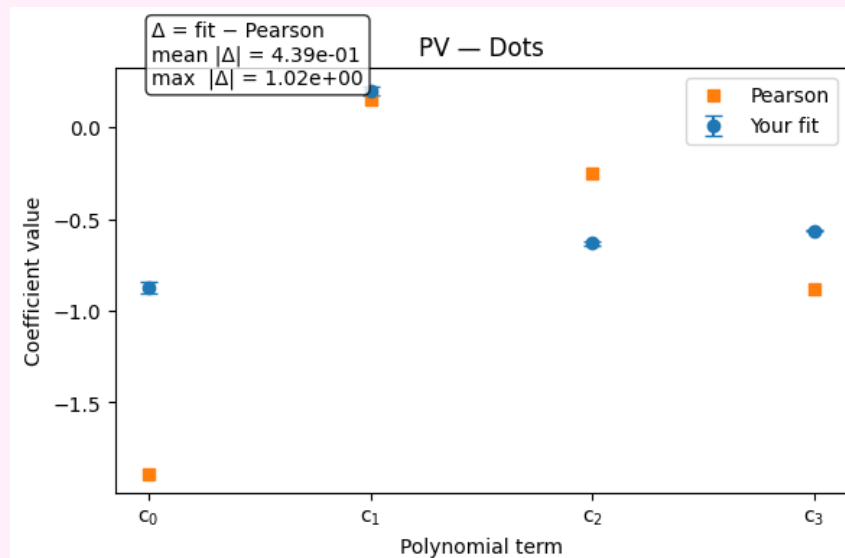
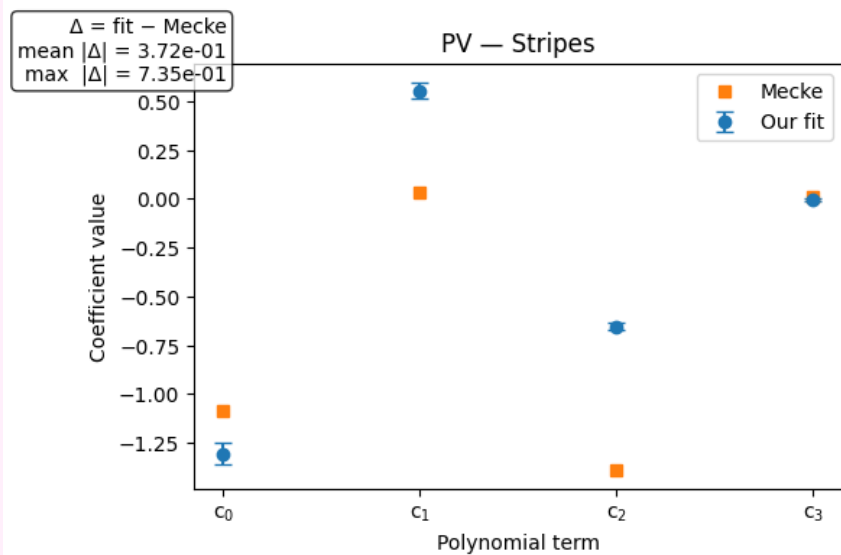
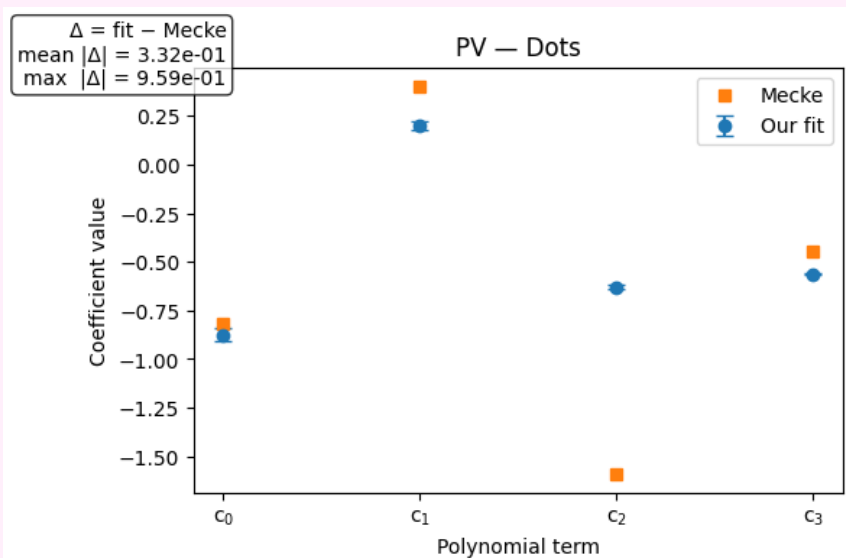


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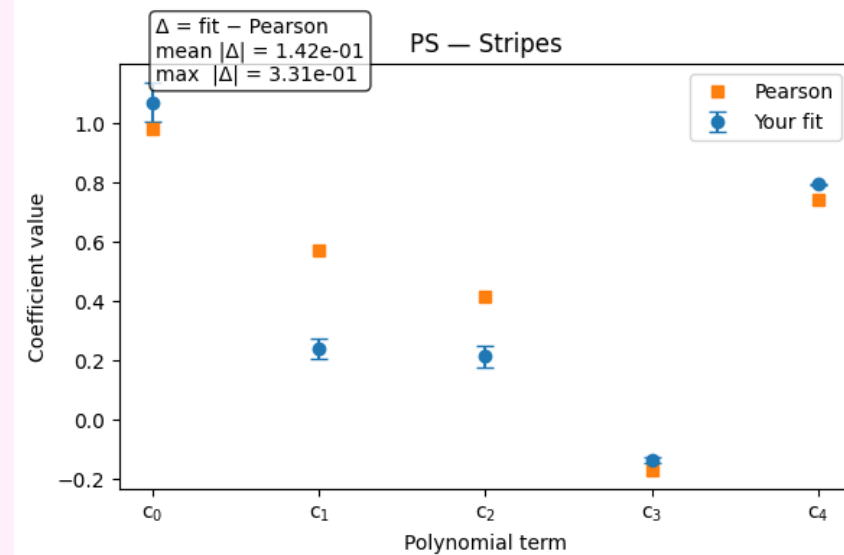
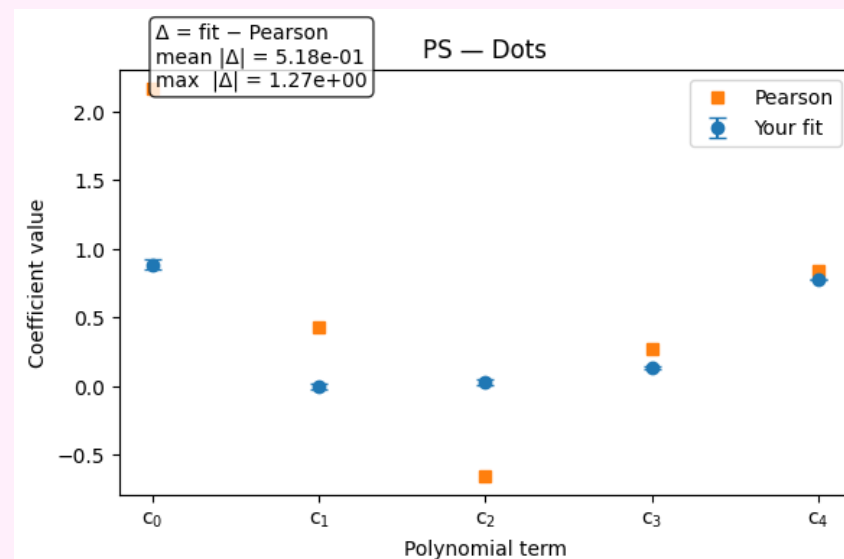
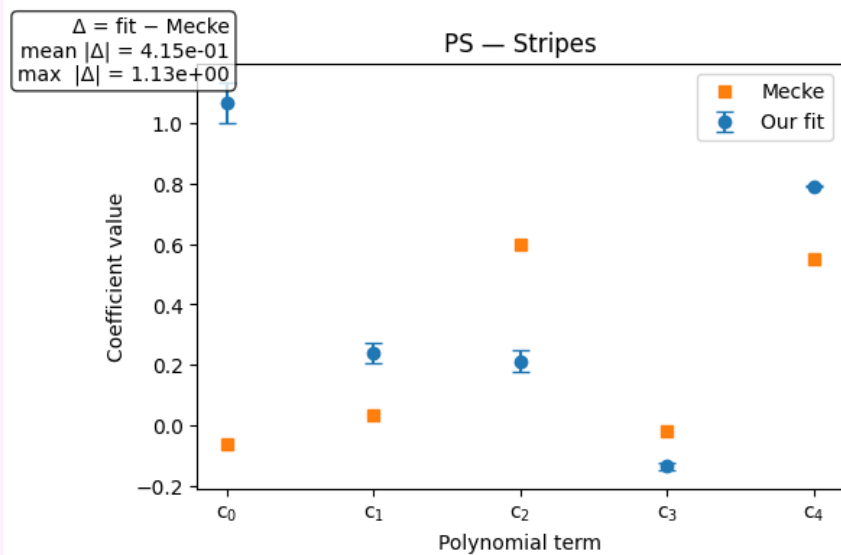
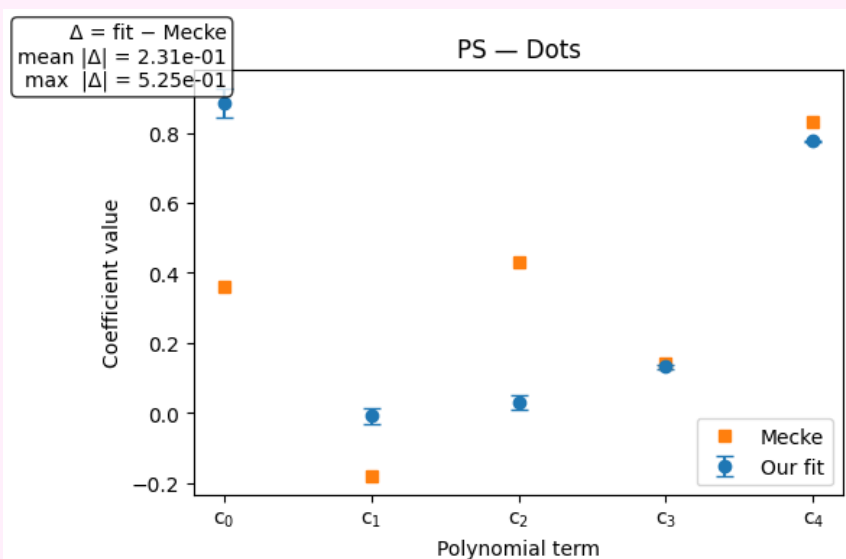
# Polynomial coefficient errors

$p_v$



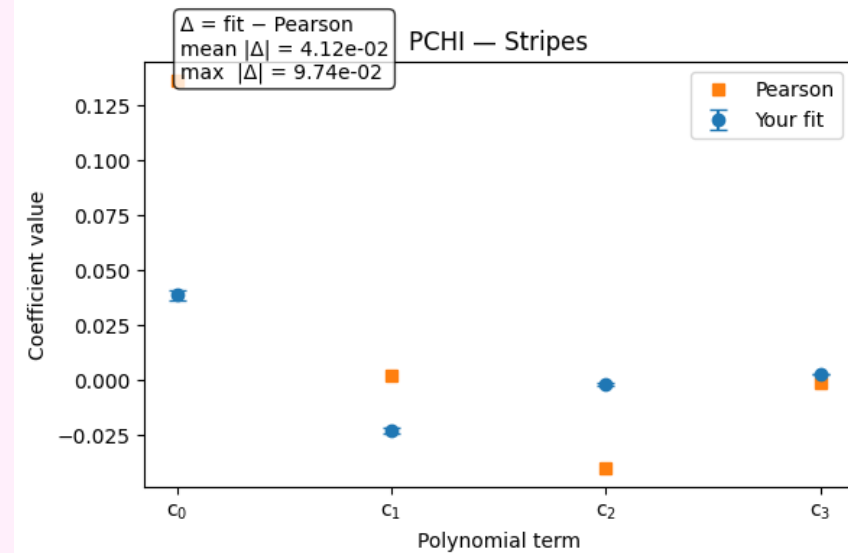
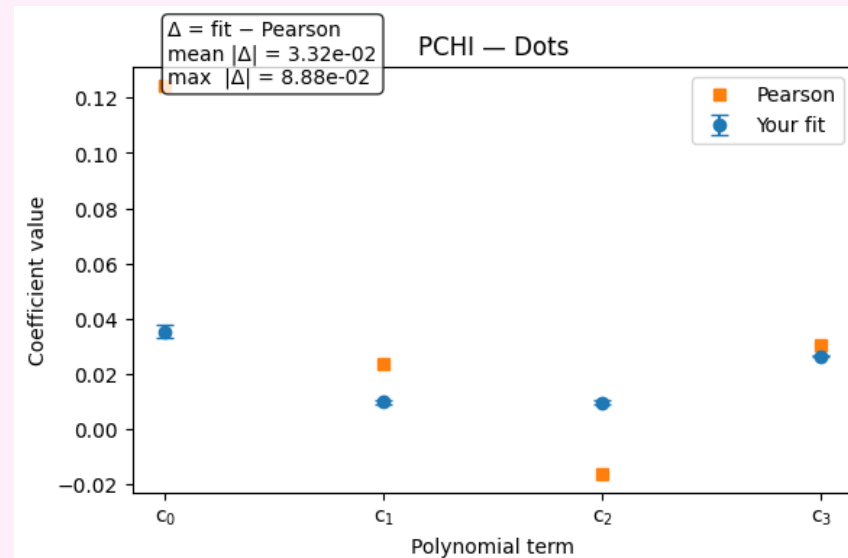
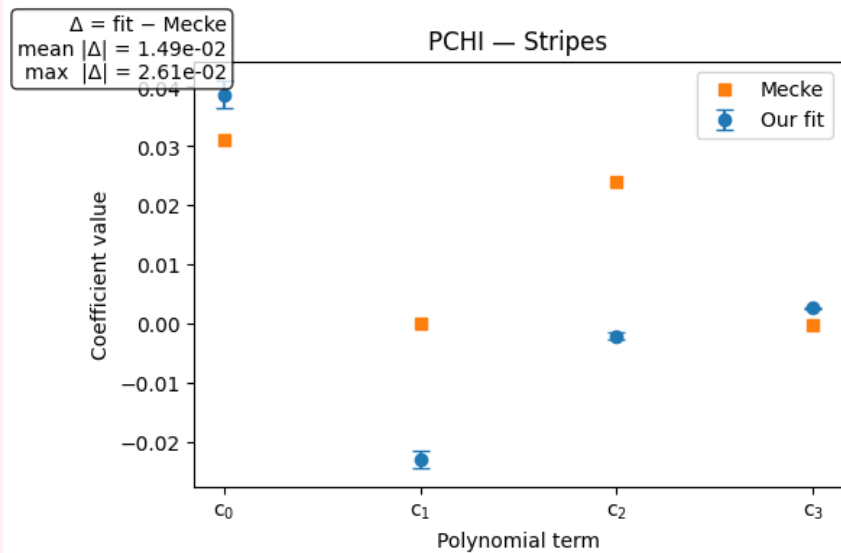
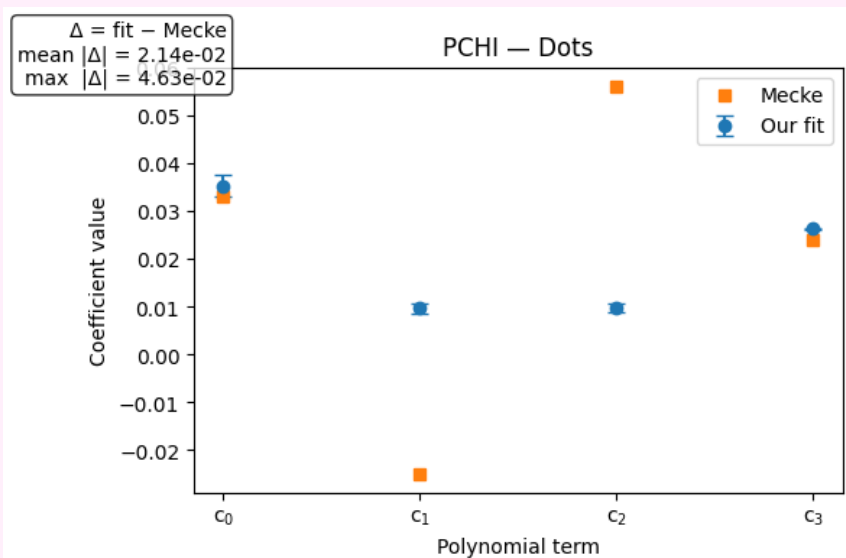
# Polynomial coefficient errors

$p_s$



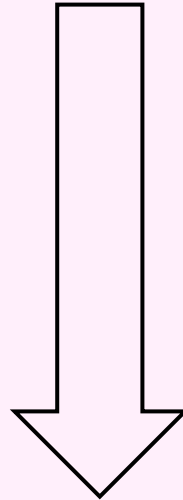
# Polynomial coefficient errors

$p_x$



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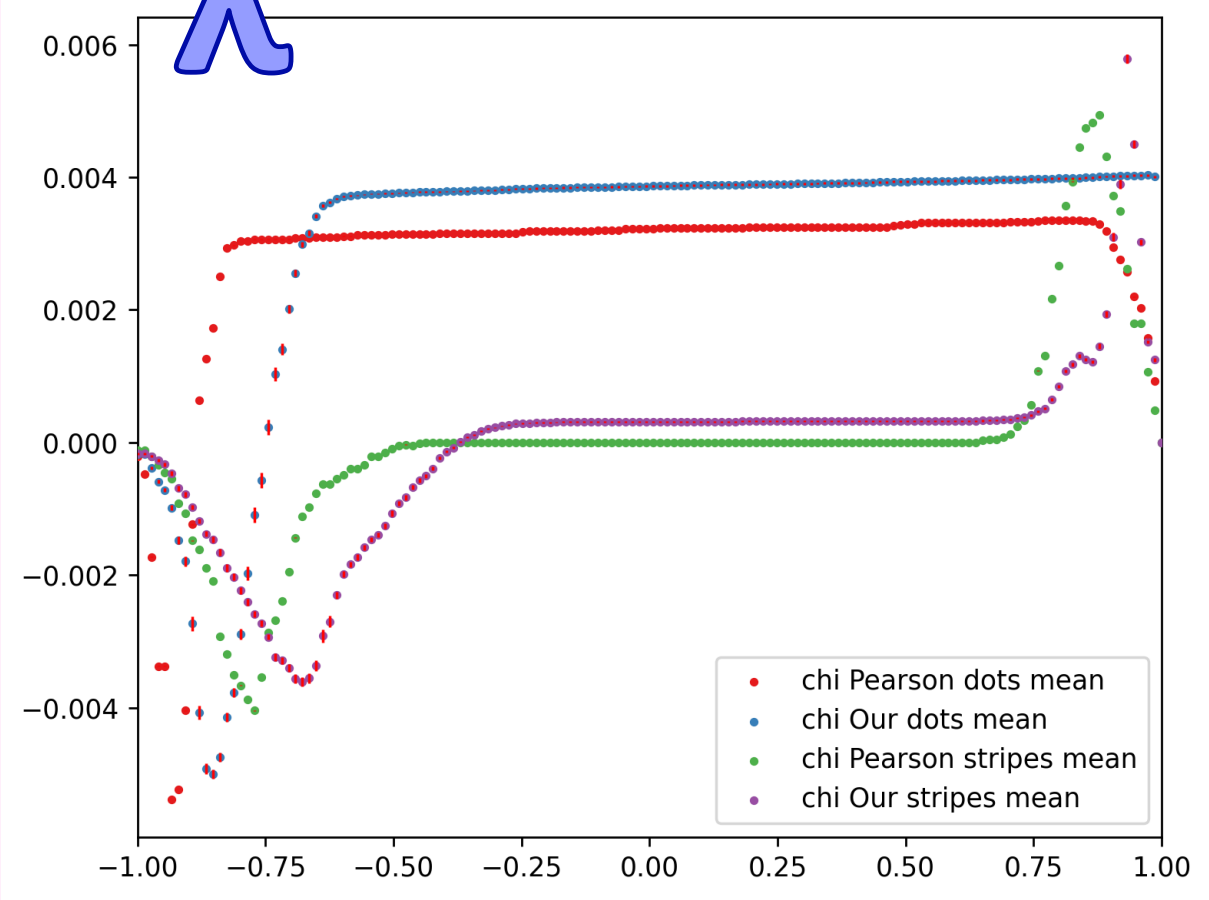
**Extra slides: All Pearson plots**

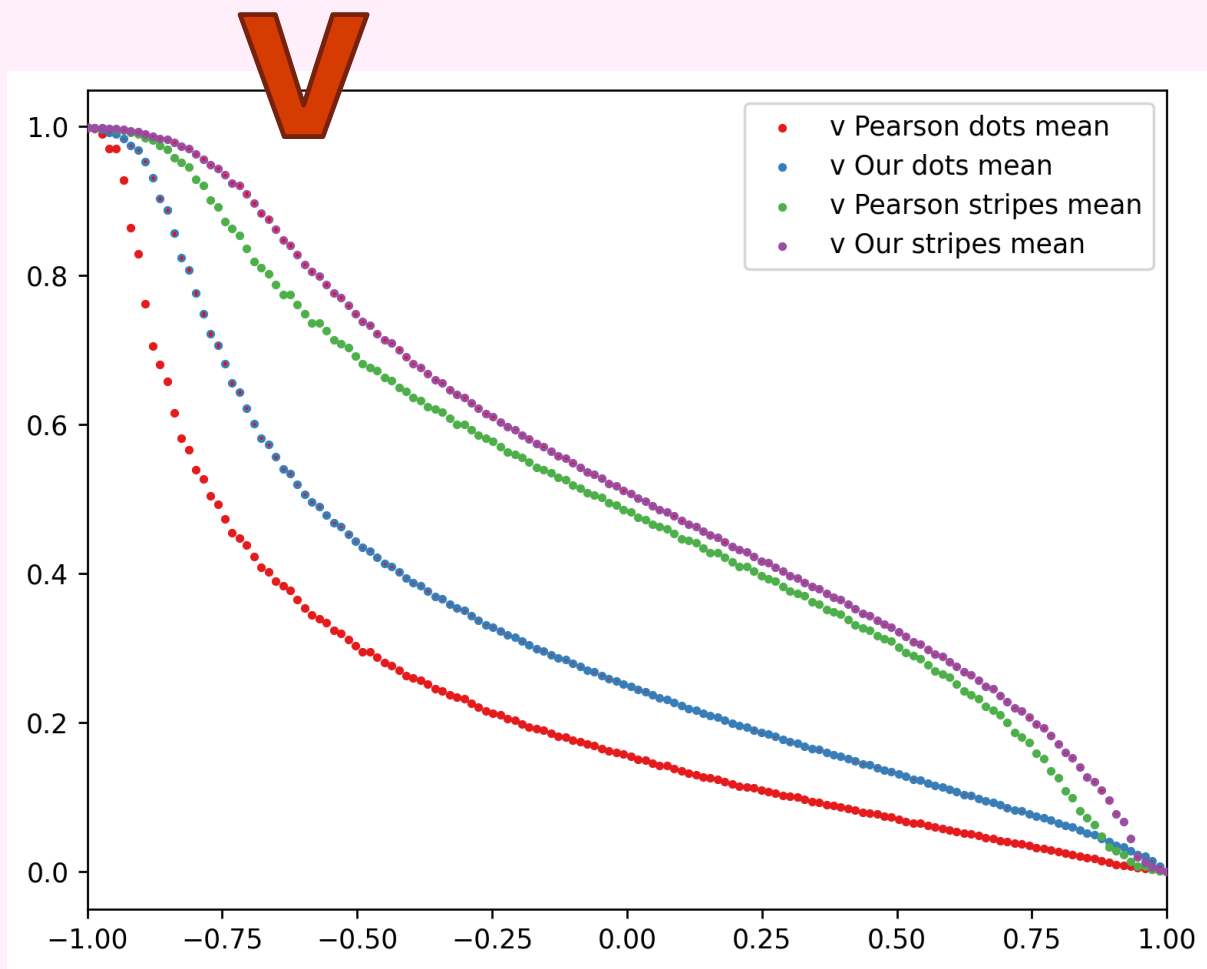


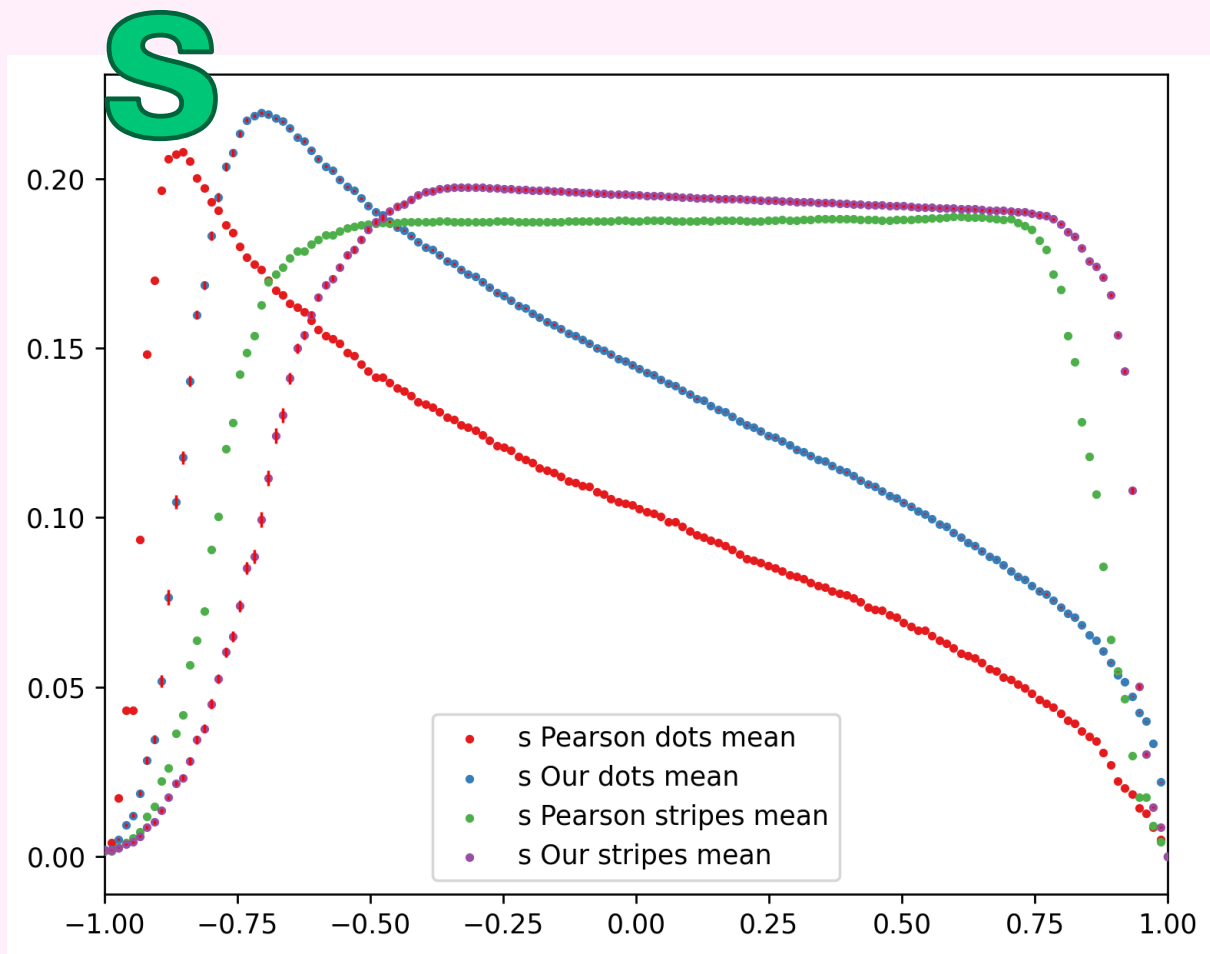


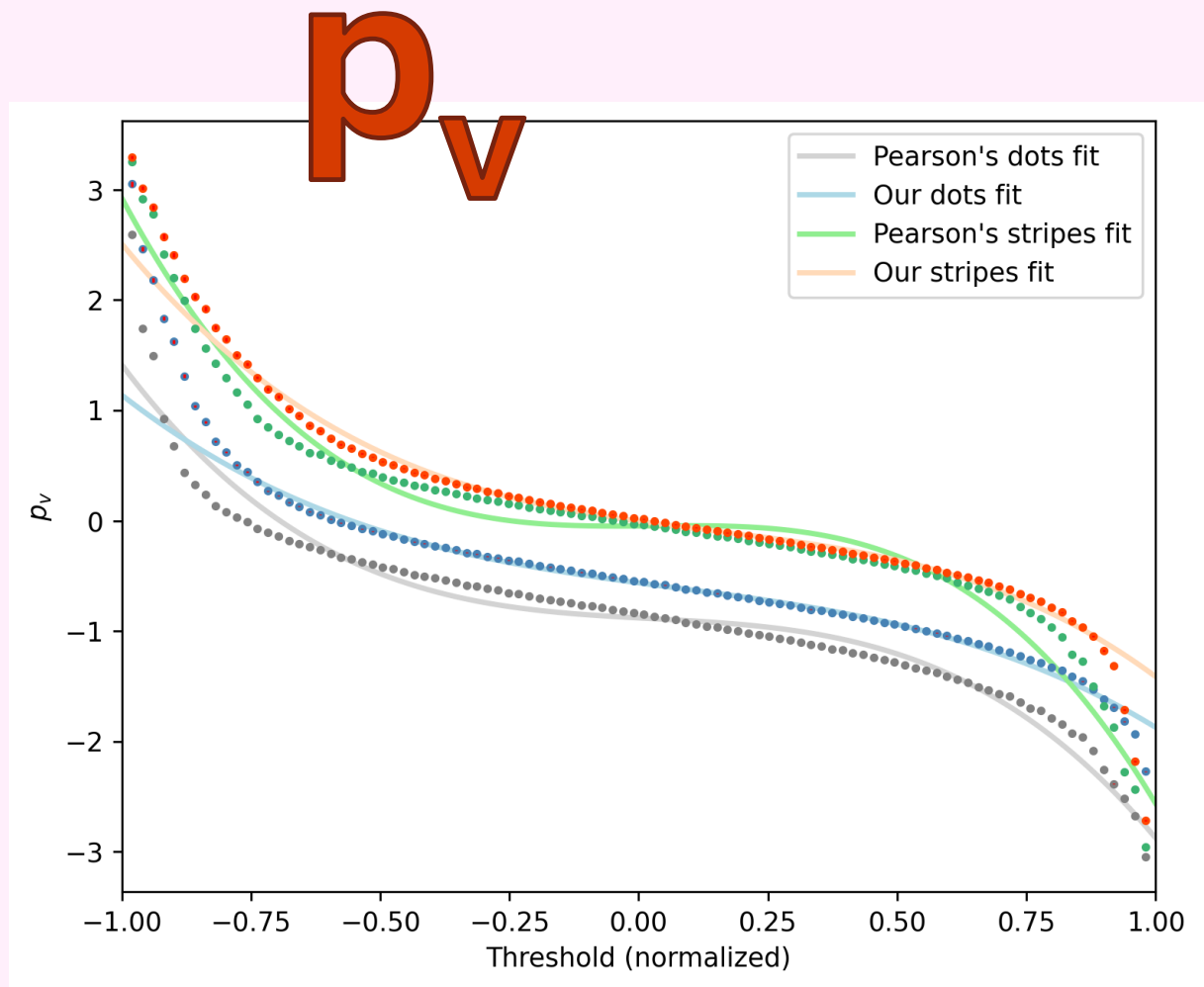


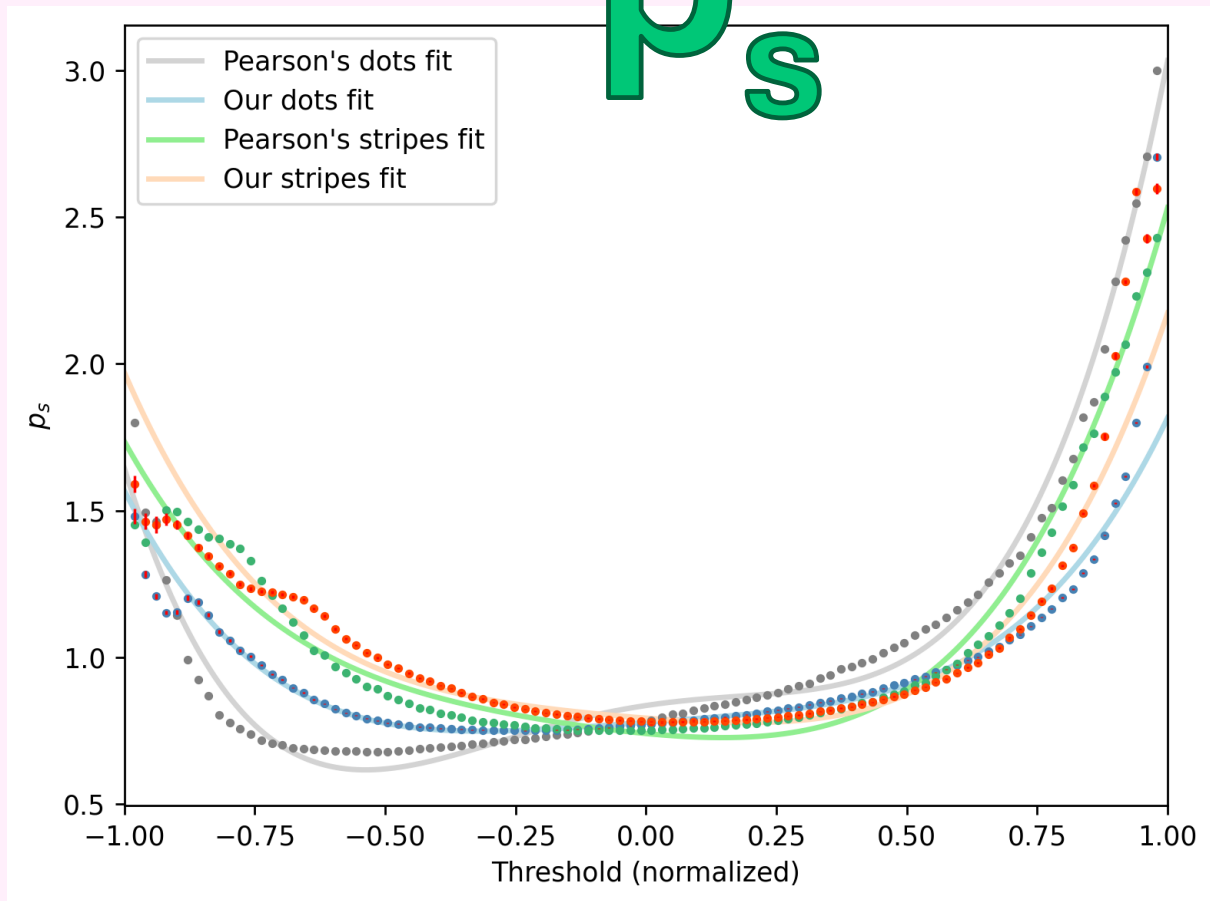
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$p_s$



