

# GPTune: Performance Autotuner for ECP Applications

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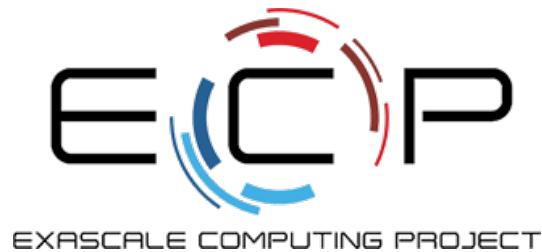
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# Plan

- Part I: Introduction of the tuning problems, methodology (20min)
  - Bayesian optimization framework, Gaussian process
  - GPTune software
- Part II: Demonstration of tuning the HPC application codes (20min)
- Part III: Recently developed features (30min)
  - History database
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# Autotuning

- Problem

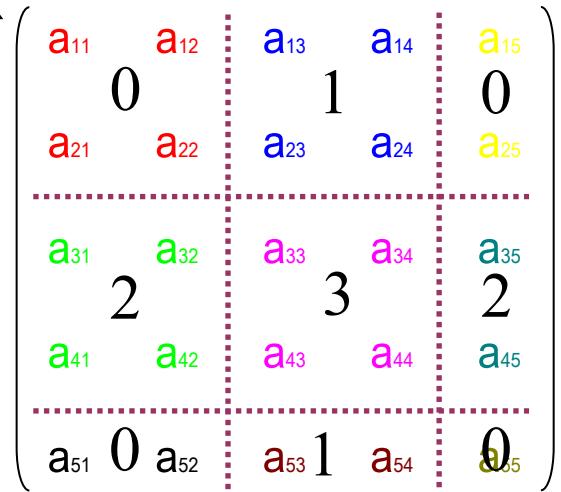
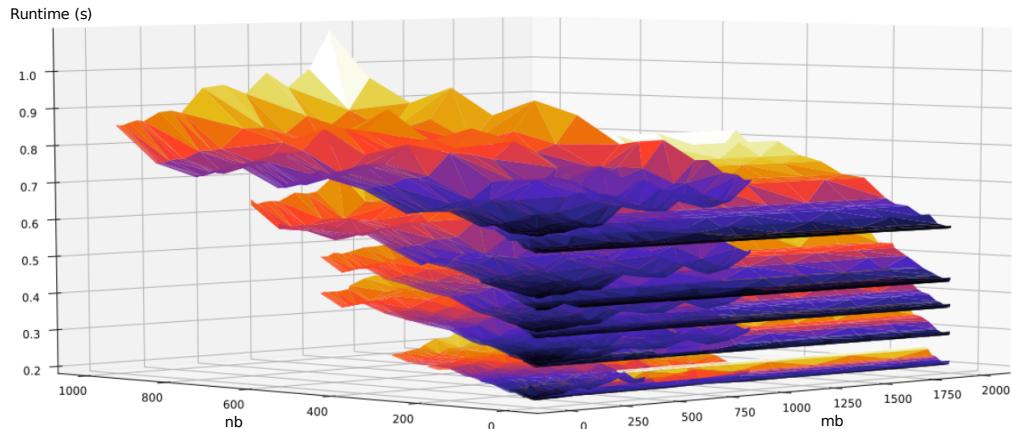
Given a target problem (task) and a parameterized code to solve it, find the parameter configuration (combination of parameter values) that optimizes the code performance

- Metrics: solution time, memory or energy usage, etc. (or combined)
- ECP application codes are costly
  - Run on large supercomputers, for a long time
- Goal: make best use of the limited number of runs

# Example: semi-exhaustive search

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- Parallel dense QR factorization in ScaLAPACK
- 2D block-cyclic layout
- Task is defined by [m, n] pair
- 3 Parameters: {mb, nb, p} (nprocs = pxq)



1 node, 24 cores

$$m = n = 2000$$

$x$ -axis: mb,  $y$ -axis: nb  
each layer is one  $pxq$  config.

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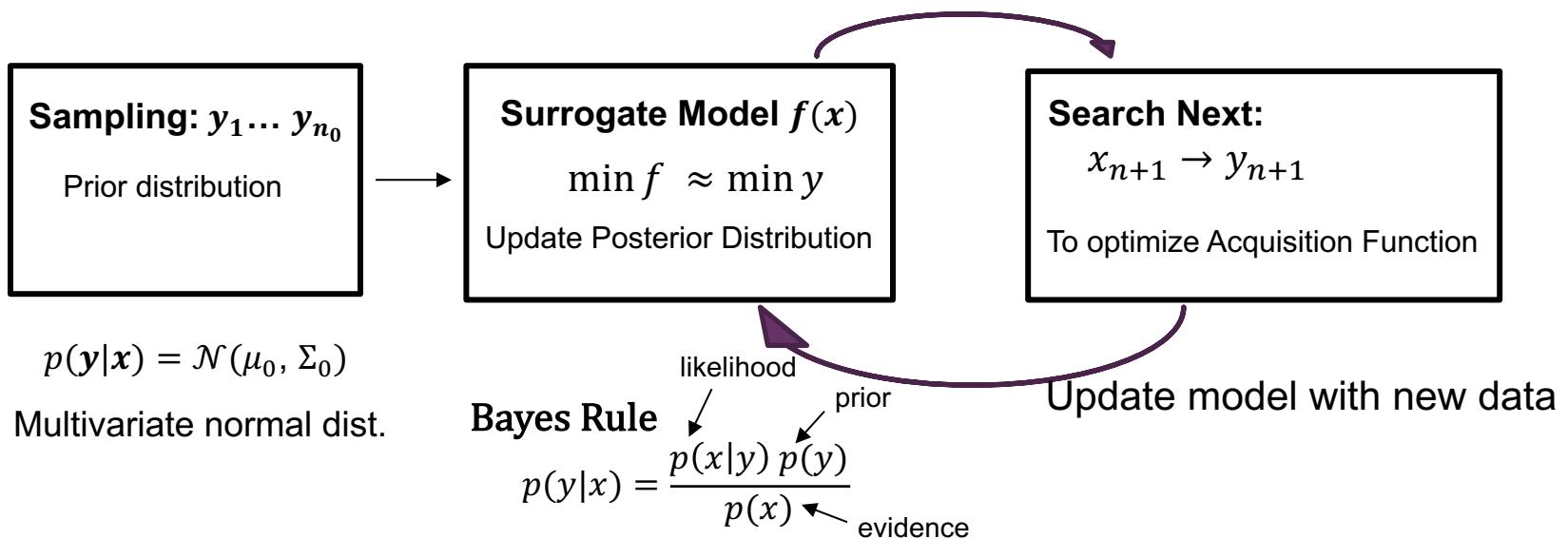
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# Characteristics of the optimization problems

- No analytical formulation of
  - objective function (runtime, memory, energy, ...)
  - gradient
  - problem constraints
- Function evaluation == expensive application run (up to weeks!)
  - large variability related to hardware (e.g., network, disk I/O)
- Non-convex problems and non-linear constraints
- Discrete and continuous search spaces
  - Parameters can be *Real, Integer, Categorical*

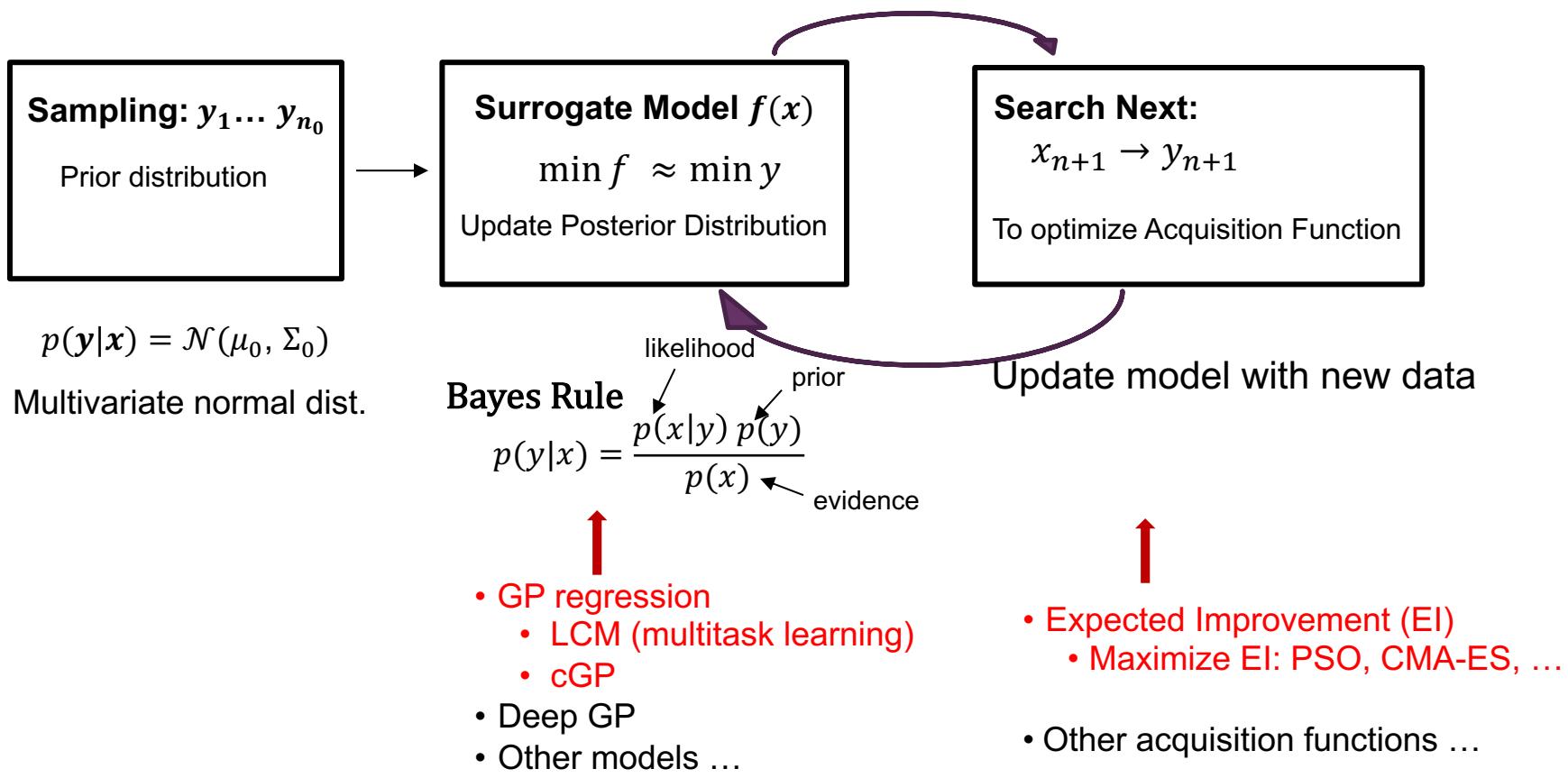
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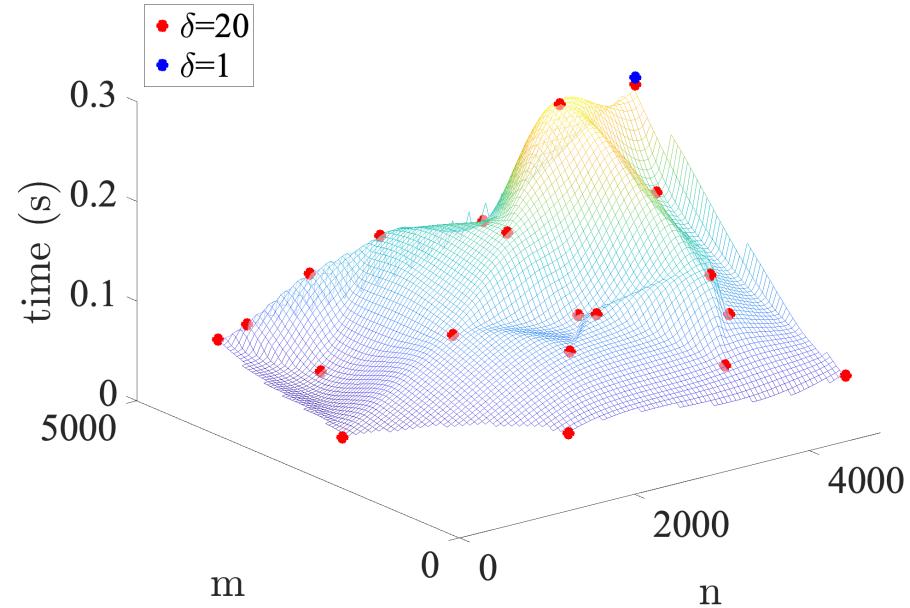
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# Modeling

## Gaussian Process Regression

“Gaussian Processes for Machine Learning”, Rasmussen and Williams 2006



# Gaussian Process

- GP defines a distribution over functions, and inference takes place in the space of functions
  - Every finite subset of variables follows multivariate normal distribution
- GP is specified by the mean function and covariance function  
 $k(x, x')$  (kernel)

$$f(x) \sim GP(\mu(x), k(x, x'))$$
$$\mu(x) = \mathbb{E}[f(x)]$$

$$k(x, x') = \mathbb{E}[(f(x) - \mu(x))(f(x') - \mu(x'))]$$

- Gaussian kernel (exponential square):

$$k(x, x') = \sigma^2 \exp\left(-\sum_{i=1}^D \frac{(x_i - x'_i)^2}{l_i}\right)$$

covariance is large if two points are close

(Can use other kernels ... )

# GP model prediction

Given  $s$  observation pairs:

$$X = [x^1, x^2, \dots, x^s] \quad Y = [y(x^1), y(x^2), \dots, y(x^s)]$$

Add new point  $x^*$ , **posterior prob. distribution** is :  $p(y^*|X) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_*, \sigma_*^2)$   
mean (prediction) and variance (confidence) for  $y(x^*)$  are:

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_* &= \mu(X) + K(x^*, X) K(X, X)^{-1} (Y - \mu(X)) \\ \sigma_*^2 &= K(x^*, x^*) - K(x^*, X) K(X, X)^{-1} K(x^*, X)^T\end{aligned}$$

Dimension of covariance matrix  $K(X, X)$  = number of samples

# Search Phase

- Where to place the new point(s)?
- Given a new sample point, need quickly update the model

# Search for a point to maximize Acquisition Function

(... another optimization problem, but easier)

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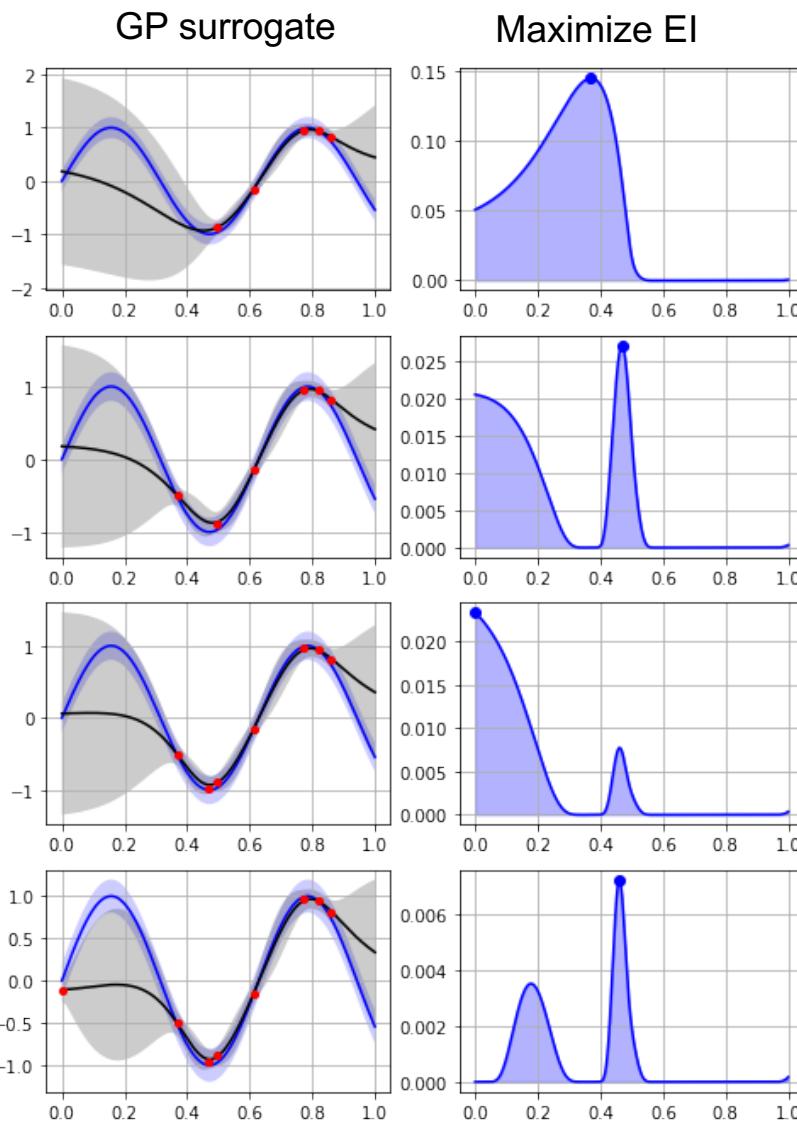
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(Jones et al. 1998)

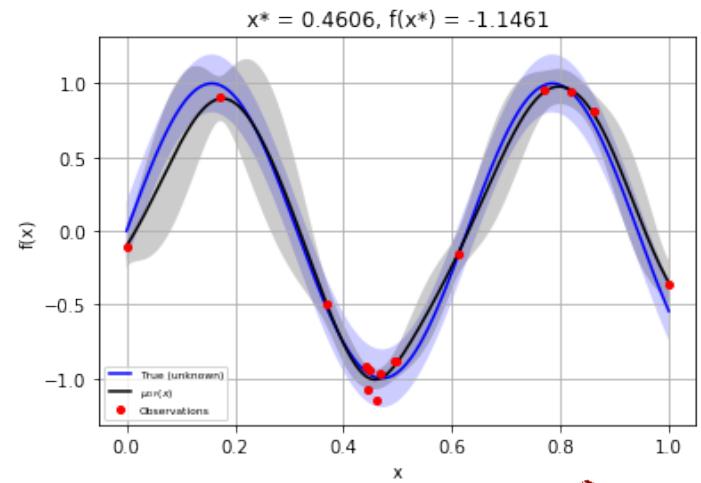
# 1D example: black-box function $y(x) = \sin(10x)$



5 initial samples

4 additional steps

- Blue line: true function
- Red dots: function evaluations
- Black line: mean function of the fitted surrogate model
- Grey shaded area is 95% confidence interval



# Multitask modeling

(multi-output learning, co-krigin)

## LCM: GP for vector-valued functions

“Kernels for Vector-Valued Functions”, Alvarez, Rosasco, Lawrence, 2012

- Multiple tasks often have similar performance characteristics
  - E.g., a fixed linear algebra operation on several matrix sizes
- Build joint probability distribution among multiple tasks
  - Auto-covariance among the samples **within** a task
  - Cross-covariance among the samples **between** tasks

# Multitask Learning Autotuning (MLA) – extending GP to vector-valued functions

- Consider a set of **correlated** objective functions  $\{y_i(X)\}_{i \in 1..δ}$  (i.e., multiple tasks) and GP models  $\{f_i(X)\}_{i \in 1..δ}$
- Linear Coregionalization Model (LCM) attempts to build a **joint** model of the target functions through the underlying assumption of **linear dependence on latent functions**  $\{u_q\}_{i \in 1..Q}$  (GP) encoding the shared behavior

$$f_i(x) = \sum_{q=1}^Q \color{red}{a_{i,q}} u_q(x)$$

with

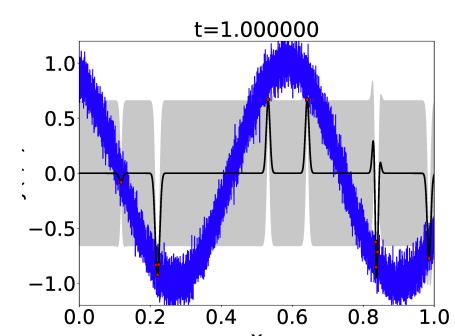
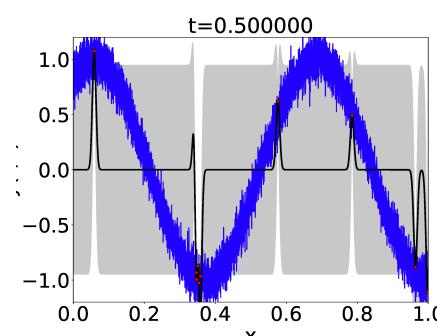
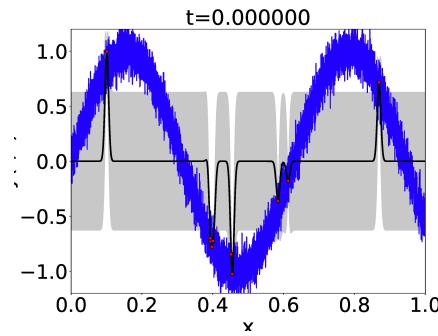
$$k_q(x, x') = \color{red}{\sigma_q^2} \exp\left(-\sum_{i=1}^D \frac{(x_i - x'_i)^2}{l_i^q}\right)$$

“Big” covariance matrix size = number-of-tasks X number-of-samples-per-task

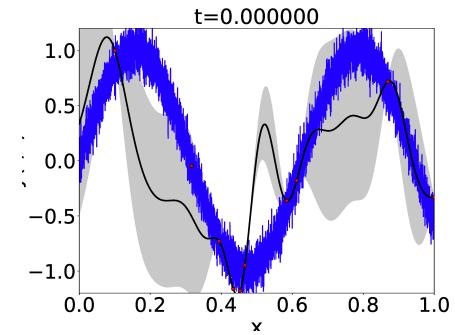
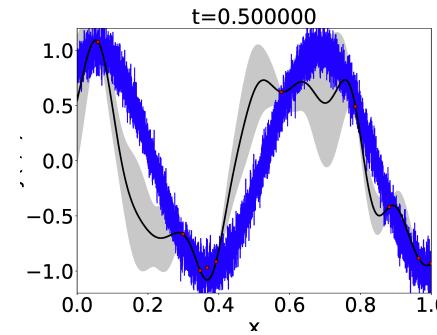
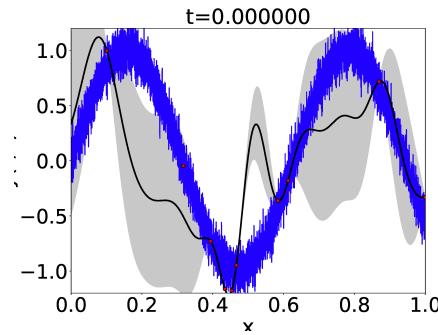
# 1D example with three correlated functions

$$y_{0,0}(x) = \sin(10x) + \epsilon, \quad \epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 0.1), \text{ Gaussian white noise}$$
$$y_{0,5}(x) = \sin(10x + 1) + \epsilon$$
$$y_{1,0}(x) = \sin(10x + 2) + \epsilon$$

Model separately



MLA



# GPTune Software: [github.com/gptune/GPTune](https://github.com/gptune/GPTune) 😊

- Python interface, leverage existing Python packages
  - GPy, scipy, scikit-learn, scikit-optimize, MPI4py, ...
- C code for parallel matrix operations: BLAS, ScaLAPACK
- User input:
  - Task parameter input space ( $\mathbb{TS}$ ): the space of tasks parameters
    - QR example:  $m = n = 20000$
  - Tuning parameter space ( $\mathbb{PS}$ ): the space of tuning parameters
    - (categorical, integer, real), and ranges
    - QR example:  $\{mb, nb, nprow\}$
  - Output space ( $\mathbb{OS}$ ): the space of objective function values
    - runtime
  - Define application as a black-box function
    - Python to C / Fortran interface

(Optionally)

- Define constraints in parameter search space
- Define performance models
- Choose a search method
- .....

# Easy-to-Use Interface in Python

A model problem to illustrate user interface →

$$y(t, x) = \sin(10x + 2t)$$

3 tasks:  $t = 0, 0.5, 1.0$

Use Python classes to:

- Express arbitrary complex sets of constraints
- Provide arbitrary sets of tuning choices, as first class objects

```
from autotune.problem import *
from autotune.space import *
from autotune.search import *
from gptune import *

...
}

input_space = Space( [Real(0., 10., name="t")] )
parameter_space = Space( [Real(0., 1., name="x")] )
output_space = Space( [Real(-Inf, Inf, name="y")] )

def objectives(point):
    t = point['t']
    x = point['x'];
    f = np.sin(10*x + 2*t)
    return [f*(1+np.random.uniform())*0.1]

constraints = {"cst1": "x >= 0. and x <= 1."}

def analytical_model1(point):
    f = np.sin(10*x + 2*t)
    return [f*(1+np.random.uniform())*0.1]
models = {'model1': analytical_model1}

problem = TuningProblem(input_space, parameter_space,
                        output_space, objectives, constraints, models)

Options['model_class'] = 'Model_LCM'

gt = GPTune(problem, computer, data, options, ... )
gt.MLA(NS, giventask, NI, NS1=int(NS/2))
```

} Import internal Python classes

} Define application parameters (categorical, integer, real) and ranges

} Define application as a black-box function

} Define constraints in parameter search space [optional]

} Define performance models [optional]

} Choose a model method (GPTune by default)

# Advanced topics

- Part II: Tuning examples to show the following (20min)
  - Support Multitask Learning Autotuning (MLA)
  - Support multi-objective and multi-fidelity optimization
  - Support users' performance models to guide tuning process
  - Parallel performance on distributed-memory machines
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# APPENDIX



# LCM model prediction – update posterior

Given  $\delta$  tasks, each with  $s$  observations:

$$X = [\{x_1^1, x_1^2, \dots, x_1^s\}, \dots, \{x_\delta^1, x_\delta^2, \dots, x_\delta^s\}]$$

$$Y = [\{y_1(x_1^1), y_1(x_1^2), \dots, y_1(x_1^s)\}, \dots, \{y_\delta(x_\delta^1), y_\delta(x_\delta^2), \dots, y_\delta(x_\delta^s)\}]$$

Add new point  $X^* = [x_1^*, x_2^*, \dots, x_\delta^*]$

posterior prob. distribution is :  $p(y^*|X) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_*, \sigma_*^2)$

mean (prediction) :

$$\mu_* = [\mu_1^*, \mu_2^*, \dots, \mu_\delta^*]^T = \mu(X) + K(X^*, X) K(X, X)^{-1} (Y - \mu(X))$$

variance (confidence) :

$$\sigma_*^2 = [\sigma_1^{*2}, \sigma_2^{*2}, \dots, \sigma_\delta^{*2}]^T = K(x^*, x^*) - K(x^*, X) K(X, X)^{-1} K(x^*, X)^T$$

“Big” covariance matrix includes both **auto-covariance** and **cross-covariance**

$$\Sigma(x_i^m, x_j^n) = \sum_{q=1}^Q a_{i,q} a_{j,q} k_q(x_i^m, x_j^n) + d_i \delta_{i,j} \delta_{m,n}$$

# Learn hyper-parameters via gradient-based optimization

- Maximize marginal likelihood (== minimize log)

$$\log p(Y|X, \theta) = -\frac{1}{2} Y^T K^{-1} Y - \frac{1}{2} \log|K| - \frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi)$$

$\theta$  is a collection of hyper-parameters  $a_{i,q}, \dots$

- Gradient-based optimization through L-BFGS-B
- Three levels of parallelism (MPI + OpenMP)
  - Spawn multiple MPI processes, each collaborating on separate instance of L-BFGS-B with a different random starting point of hyper-parameters. Only the best hyper-parameter among all processes are used
  - Each spawned process spawns more processes that collaborate in ScaLAPACK calls for  $K^{-1}$
  - OpenMP threads collaborate on computation of and in multi-threaded BLAS

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- We parallelize the search phase for every task (using MPI)
  - Find one (or several) new point(s) to evaluate by maximizing the EI, through a black-box optimization algorithm (PSO, CMA-ES, . . . )
  - Parallel optimization of EI (multi-threading through archipelago and island model in PAGMO)

# GPTune Tutorial: Example Demonstration

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# Space Definition and Data Implementation

## Spaces

- Task input parameter space ( $\mathbb{IS}$ ): the space of task parameters defining a problem
- Tuning parameter space ( $\mathbb{PS}$ ): the space of tuning parameters
- Output space ( $\mathbb{OS}$ ): the space of objective function values

Samples:  $\text{data} = \text{Data}(\text{problem})$  with  $\delta$  tasks and  $\epsilon$  samples each

- $\text{data.I}$ : length- $\delta$  list containing task samples
- $\text{data.P}$ : length- $\delta$  list, element contains  $\epsilon$  tuning parameter samples
- $\text{data.O}$ : length- $\delta$  list, element contains  $\epsilon$  objective evaluations
- $\text{data.D}$ : length- $\delta$  list containing constants for data of each task

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3 Hypre

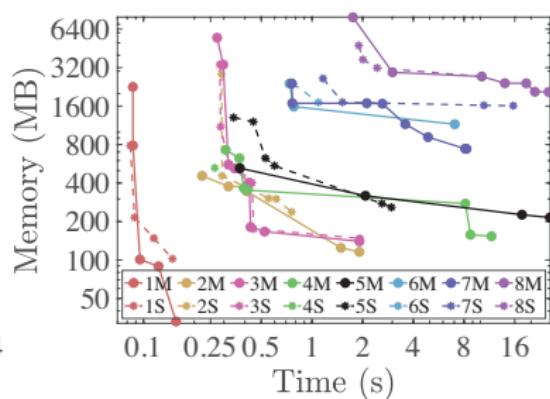
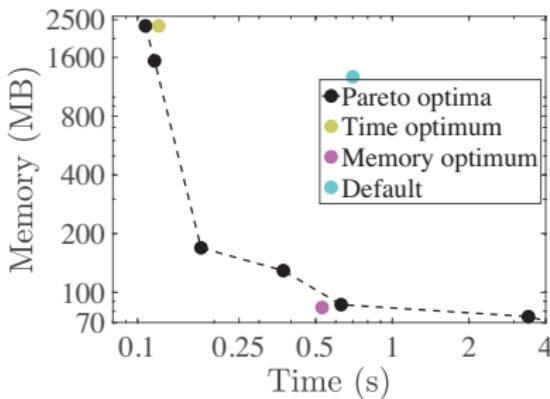
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# SuperLU\_DIST: Multi-objective Tuning

- Experiment: ex= 'Fig.7\_exp' in run\_ppopp.sh.
- Plots: ex= 'Fig.7' in run\_ppopp.sh.

Multi-objective EGO: One LCM per objective, NSGA-II in search

- IS=[matrix name] PS=[COLPERM, NSUP, NREL, nprows].
- Multi-objective: OS = [time, memory], single-objective:  
OS = [time] or [memory]. MLA  $\delta = 8$  or single-task. 256 cores.
- Pareto optimal: no other PS points dominate over this point in both objectives.



# SuperLU\_DIST: Multi-objective Tuning

Listing 1: pddrive\_spawn.c

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]){
    float result[2]; // store factor time and memory
    MPI_Comm parent; MPI_Comm_get_parent(&parent);
    /* Read the input and parameters from command line arguments. */
    /* Perform computation */
    MPI_Reduce(result, MPI_BOTTOM, 1, MPI_FLOAT,MPI_MAX, 0, parent);
    MPI_Comm_disconnect(&parent);}
```

Listing 2: superlu-MLA-MO.py

```
def objectives(point):
    # get input, tuning parameters and constants from point
    matrix = point['matrix']
    # pass some parameters through environment variables
    info = Info.Create()
    envstr= 'OMP_NUM_THREADS=%d\n' %(nthreads)
    info.Set('env',envstr)
    # spawn the executable with command line args and env
    comm = COMM_SELF.Spawn("./pddrive_spawn")
    # gather the return value using the inter-communicator
    ret = array('f', [0,0])
    comm.Reduce(sendbuf=None, recvbuf=ret,op=MAX,root=ROOT)
    comm.Disconnect()
    return ret
```

# SuperLU\_DIST: Multi-objective Tuning

Listing 3: superlu\_MLA\_MO.py (cont'd)

```
def cst1(NSUP,NREL):
    return NSUP >= NREL
def cst2(nprows, nodes, cores):
    return nodes * cores >= nprows
def main():
    # Get information in ./gptune/meta.json
    (machine, processor, nodes, cores)=GetMachineConfiguration()

    # Define spaces
    matrix=Categoricalnorm (["big","g4","g20"]) # Task
    COLPERM=Categoricalnorm ([‘2’, ‘4’]);NSUP=Integer(30, 300) # Tuning
    NREL=Integer(10, 40); nprows=Integer(1, nprocmax) # Tuning
    time=Real(-Inf , Inf); memory=Real(-Inf , Inf) # Objective
    IS=Space([matrix]);PS=Space([COLPERM,NSUP,NREL,nprows]);OS=Space([time,memory])

    # Define tuning problem
    constraints={"cst1":cst1,"cst2":cst2};constants={"c0":nodes}
    problem=TuningProblem(IS,PS,OS,objectives,constraints,constants)

    # Initialize the tuner
    data = Data(problem); gt = GPTune(problem, computer, data, options)

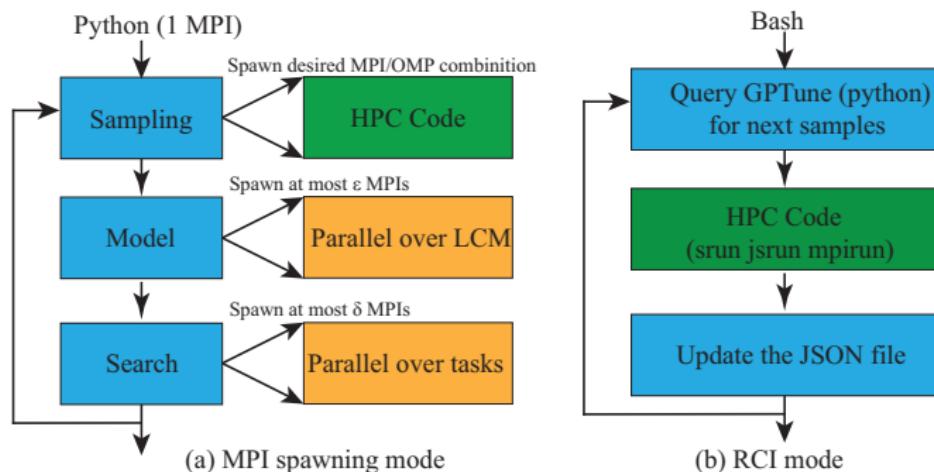
    # Perform MLA
    giventask = [[“big”], [“g4”]]
    (data, model,stats) = gt.MLA(NS=NS, Igiven =giventask)
```

# SuperLU\_DIST: Reverse Communication Interface (RCI)

- Single-objective: uncomment line 370-376 in run\_examples.sh.
- Multi-objective: uncomment line 378-384 in run\_examples.sh.

## RCI mode

- MPI-Spawn (OpenMPI) not required
- More flexible, portable (CrayMPICH, Spectrum MPI)



# SuperLU\_DIST: Reverse Communication Interface (RCI)

- Define GPTune meta data in Python with options['RCI\_mode']=True
- Query GPTune, handle data with jq and invoke application in bash

**Listing 4:** superlu\_MLA\_MO\_RCI.sh

```

obj1=time;obj2=memory # objectives defined in superlu_MLA_MO_RCI.py
db="gptune.db/SuperLU_DIST.json" # used to communicate with GPTune
more=1; while [ $more -eq 1 ];do # start the main loop
    # query GPTune for next sample points
    python ./superlu_MLA_MO_RCI.py -nrun $nrun
    idx=$( jq -r --arg v0 $obj1 '.func_eval|map(.evaluation_result[$v0]==null)' $db)
    if [ $idx = null ];then;more=0;fi
    while [ ! $idx = null ];do # loop over all samples requiring evaluation
        ... # get the parameters into input_para and tuning_para
        matrix=${input_para[0]} # get the task input parameters
        # get the tuning parameters
        COLPERM=${tuning_para[0]};NSUP=${tuning_para[1]}
        NREL=${tuning_para[2]};nprows=${tuning_para[3]}
        # call the application
        export OMP_NUM_THREADS=$cores;export NREL=$NREL
        export NSUP=$NSUP;nproc=$((nodes*$cores))
        srun -n $nproc pddrive_spawn -r $nprows -p $COLPERM $matrix | tee log.out
        # get the result (for this example: search the runlog)
        result1=$(grep 'Factor_utime' log.out | grep -Eo '[+-]?[0-9]+([.][0-9]+)?')
        result2=$(grep 'Total_MEM' log.out | grep -Eo '[+-]?[0-9]+([.][0-9]+)?')
        ... # write (result1,result2) back to the database file
        idx=$( jq -r --arg v0 $obj1 '.func_eval|map(.evaluation_result[$v0]==null)' $db);done
done

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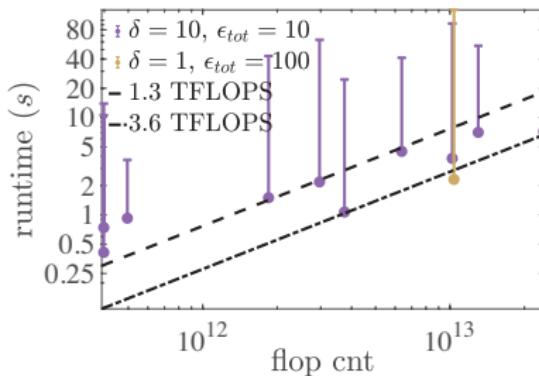
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# PDGEQRF: MLA v.s. Other Tuners

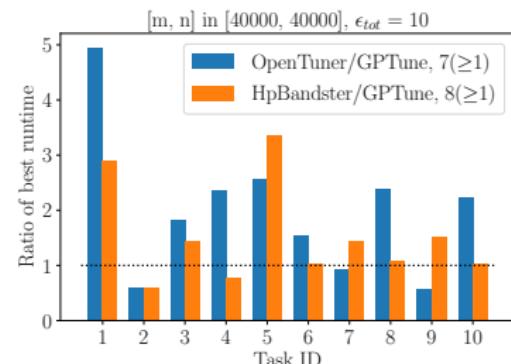
- Experiment: ex= 'Fig.6\_exp' in run\_ppopp.sh.
- Plots: ex= 'Fig.6' in run\_ppopp.sh.

## MLA vs. single-task vs. other tuners

- $\mathbb{IS} = [m, n]$ ,  $\mathbb{PS} = [b_r, b_c, p, p_r]$ ,  $\mathbb{OS} = [\text{runtime}]$
- L: Single-task:  $m: 23324, n: 26545$ , MLA:  $m, n < 40000$ . 2048 cores.
- R:  $\delta = 10$  fixed matrices. 2048 cores.



(a) MLA vs Single-task

(b) Others/GPTune ( $\geq 1$  is good)

# PDGEQRF: MLA v.s. Other Tuners

- GPTune, opentuner, hpbandster: use common interface  
“problem=TuningProblem(...)”
- ytpt/SuRf is under development, many others can be added

**Listing 5:** scalapack\_MLA.py

```
# Define objectives, constraints, spaces, options, computer
...
# Define the "autotune" interface to all tuners
problem = TuningProblem(IS, PS, OS, objectives, constraints)
# Call different tuners
if(TUNER_NAME=='GPTune'):
    gt = GPTune(problem, computer=computer, options=options)
    (data, model, stats) = gt.MLA(NS=NS, Igiven=giventask)
if(TUNER_NAME=='opentuner'):
    (data,stats)=OpenTuner(T=giventask,NS=NS,problem,computer)
if(TUNER_NAME=='hpbandster'):
    (data,stats)=HpBandSter(T=giventask,NS=NS,problem,computer)

print("stats:", stats)
""" Print all input and parameter samples """
for tid in range(NI):
    print("tid:%d"%(tid))
    print("m:%d_n:%d" %(data.I[tid][0],data.I[tid][1]))
    print("Ps", data.P[tid])
    print("Os", data.O[tid].tolist())
    print('Popt',data.P[tid][argmin(data.O[tid])], 'Opt', min(data.O[tid])[0])
```

# PDGEQRF: Incorporation of Coarse Performance Model

- Experiment: ex= 'Fig.4\_exp' in run\_ppopp.sh.
- Plots: ex= 'Fig.4' in run\_ppopp.sh.

A coarse performance model  $\tilde{y}(t, x)$  (per task) can be built into PS:  
 $x \rightarrow [x, \tilde{y}(t, x)]$ .  $\tilde{y}(t, x)$  can also be parameterized.

## A simple performance model for PDGEQRF

$$\tilde{y}(t, x) = C_{flop} \times t_{flop} + C_{msg} \times t_{msg} + C_{vol} \times t_{vol} \quad (1)$$

with the number of floating point operations  $C_{flop}$ , the number of messages  $C_{msg}$  and the volume of messages  $C_{vol}$

$$C_{flop} = \frac{2n^2(3m - n)}{2p} + \frac{b_r n^2}{2p_c} + \frac{3b_r n(2m - n)}{2p_r} + \frac{b_r^2 n}{3p_r} \quad (2)$$

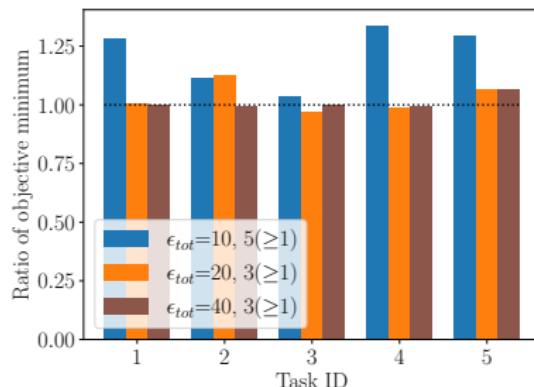
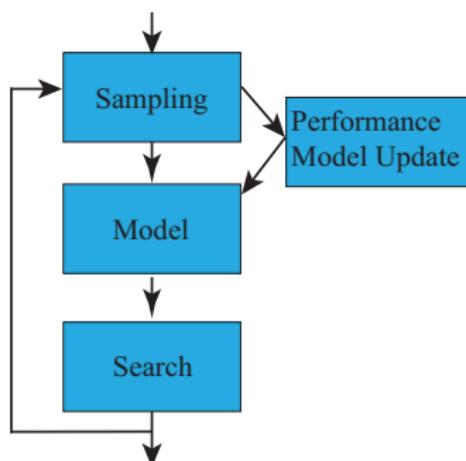
$$C_{msg} = 3n \log p_r + \frac{2n}{b_r} \log p_c \quad (3)$$

$$C_{vol} = \left( \frac{n^2}{p_c} + b_r n \right) \log p_r + \left( \frac{mn - n^2/2}{p_r} + \frac{b_r n}{2} \right) \log p_c \quad (4)$$

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(a) Incorporate performance model (b) PDGEQRF: ratio between best runtime with and without the performance model

# PDGEQRF: Incorporation of Coarse Performance Model

Listing 6: scalapack\_MLA\_perfmodel.py

```
def models(point):
    ... # calculate Cflop,Cmsg,Cvol
    return [Cflop*(point['flop'])+Cmsg*(point['msg'])+Cvol*(point['vol'])]
def models_update(data):
    for i in range(len(data.I)):
        # update the hyperparameters of the performance model for each task
        X=np.array(data.P[i]);y=np.array(data.O[i])
        reg = LinearRegression(fit_intercept=False,normalize=False).fit(X, y)
        data.D[i]['flop']=reg.coef_[0][0]
        data.D[i]['msg']=reg.coef_[0][1]
        data.D[i]['vol']=reg.coef_[0][2]
def main():
    # Define objectives, constraints, spaces, options, computer
    ...
    # Define the "autotune" interface with a performance model 'models'
    problem = TuningProblem(IS, PS, OS, objectives, constraints, models)
    ntask=len(giventask)
    data = Data(problem,D=[{'flop': 0, 'msg': 0,'vol': 0}]*ntask)
    gt = GPTune(problem, computer, data, models_update)
    (data, model, stats) = gt.MLA(NS=NS, Igiven=giventask)
```

# Outline

1 SuperLU\_DIST

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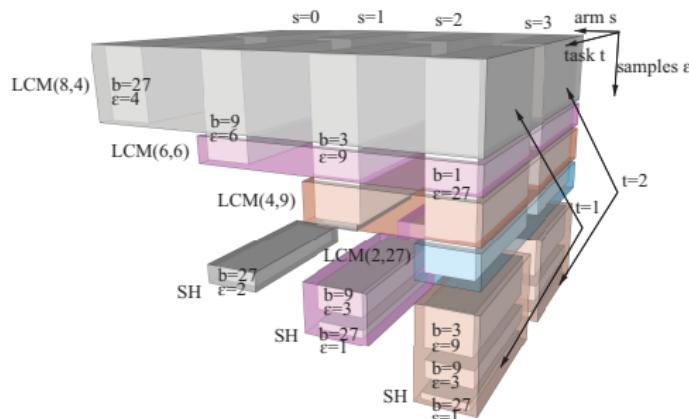
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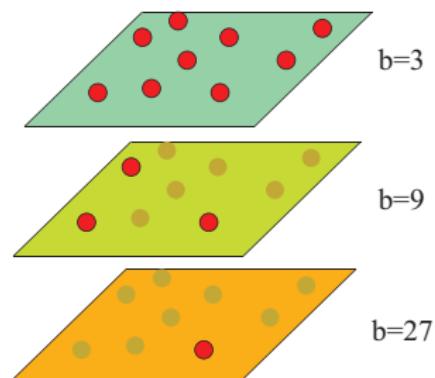
# Hypre: GPTuneBand: Multi-fidelity Tuning

## LCM + multi-armed bandit

Combine MLA with a multi-armed bandit strategy. Each arm has different starting fidelity and performs successive halving (SH). LCM can be built across arms and tasks.



(a) LCM + SH

(b) SH on the  $s=2, t=1$  arm

**Figure:** Illustration of multi-fidelity multi-task tuning with  $\delta = 2$  tasks.  
 $\text{LCM}(n, \epsilon)$ : LCM model with  $n$  outputs and  $\epsilon$  samples each.

# Hypre: GPTuneBand: Multi-fidelity Tuning

- Experiment: comment line 359-365 of run\_examples.sh, set tuner=GPTuneBand, GPTune or hpbandster.

## Multi-fidelity tuning of hypre

- Convection-diffusion equation on a  $n^3$  grid:

$$-c\Delta u + a\nabla \cdot u = f$$

- $\mathbb{IS}=[a, c]$ ,  $\mathbb{PS}=12$  integer/real/categorical,  $\mathbb{OS}=[\text{runtime}]$
- Fidelity/budget  $\sim n^3$ .

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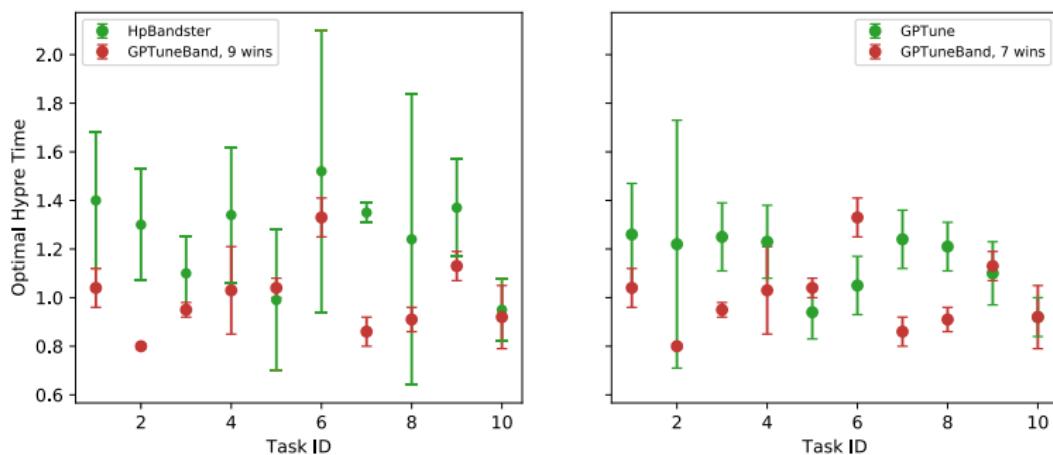


Figure: Comparison of GPTuneBand (multi-fidelity, MLA), GPTune (MLA), and HpBandster (multi-fidelity)

# Hypre: GPTuneBand: Multi-fidelity Tuning

Listing 7: hypre\_MB.py

```
def objectives(point):
    bmin = point['bmin'] # minimum budget (fidelity)
    bmax = point['bmax'] # maximum budget (fidelity)
    budget = point['budget'] # budget to be evaluated, asked by GPTune
    def budget_to_meshsize(b, nmin=10, nmax=100):
        k1 = (nmax**3-nmin**3)/(bmax-bmin)
        b1 = nmin**3 - k1
        return int((k1 * b + b1)**(1/3))

    n = budget_to_meshsize(budget)
    ... # Get task and tuning parameters
    ... # Call Hypre on a n^3 mesh and get the runtime
    return runtime

def main():
    ... # Define objectives, constraints, spaces, options, computer
    # Define the "autotune" interface with constants 'constants'
    constants={"bmin":bmin,"bmax":bmax}
    problem = TuningProblem(IS, PS, OS, objectives, constraints, constants)
    # Generate a list of tasks of interest
    giventask = ...
    # Call GPTuneBand
    gt = GPTune_MB(problem, computer, options)
    (data, stats, data_hist)=gt.MB_LCM(Igiven = giventask)
```

# Outline

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# Other examples

- Use run\_examples.sh and run\_ppopp.sh (see hands-on instruction) to run more examples:
- GPTune-Demo
  - Parallel performance  
`./examples/GPTune-Demo/demo_parallelperformance.py`
- Scalapack
  - PDGEQRF (RCI)  
`./examples/Scalapack-PDGEQRF_RCI/scalapack_MLA_RCI.sh`
- STRUMPACK
  - 3D Poisson solver:  
`./examples/STRUMPACK/strumpack_MLA_Poisson3d.py`
  - Kernel ridge regression:  
`./examples/STRUMPACK/strumpack_MLA_KRR.py`
- MFEM
  - Maxwell: `./examples/MFEM/mfem_maxwell3d.py`
  - Maxwell (RCI): `./examples/MFEM_RCI/mfem_maxwell3d_RCI.sh`

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# SuperLU\_DIST: GPU Tuning

- Experiment: TBD.

## CUDA + MPI codes

- SuperLU\_DIST: GPU factorization.  $\mathbb{P}\mathbb{S} = [\text{COLPERM}, \text{NSUP}, \text{NREL}, \text{N_GEMM}, \text{MAX_BUFFER}, p_r]$ . Single-task:  
matrix\_ACTIVSg70k\_AC\_00. 16 GPUs on 2 Cori nodes.

	COL	NSUP	NREL	N_GEMM	MAX_BUFFER	time (s)
Default	4	128	20	8192	500000	6.75
40 samples	2	771	107	65536	8388608	3.04

Table: Default and optimal tuning parameters using a single GPU.

	COL	NSUP	NREL	N_GEMM	MAX_BUFFER	$p_r$	time (s)
Default	4	128	20	8192	500000	4	5.61
40 samples	2	755	103	1048576	262144	1	2.64

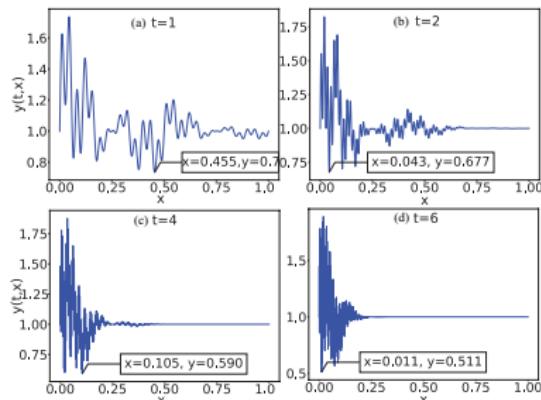
Table: Default and optimal tuning parameters using 16 GPUs.

# Parallel Performance

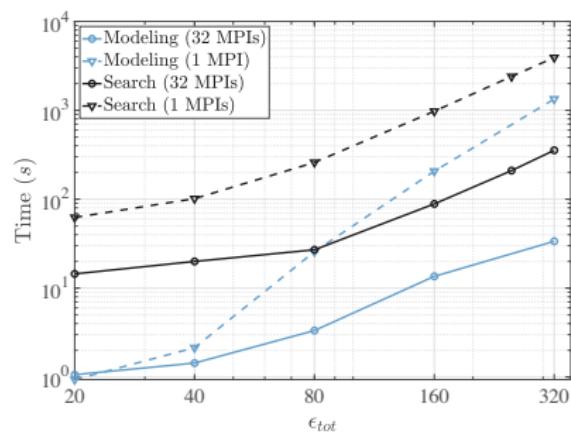
- Experiment: ex= 'Fig.3\_exp' in run\_ppopp.sh.
- Plots: ex= 'Fig.3' in run\_ppopp.sh.

Consider an analytical function,  $t$ ,  $x$ : task and tuning parameters,  $\delta = 20$  tasks,  $\epsilon_{tot}$ : number of samples per task.

$$y(t, x) = 1 + e^{-(x+1)^{t+1}} \cos(2\pi x) \sum_{i=1}^3 \sin(2\pi x(t+2)^i)$$



Objective functions



Parallel performance



# GPTune Tutorial: Recently Updated Features

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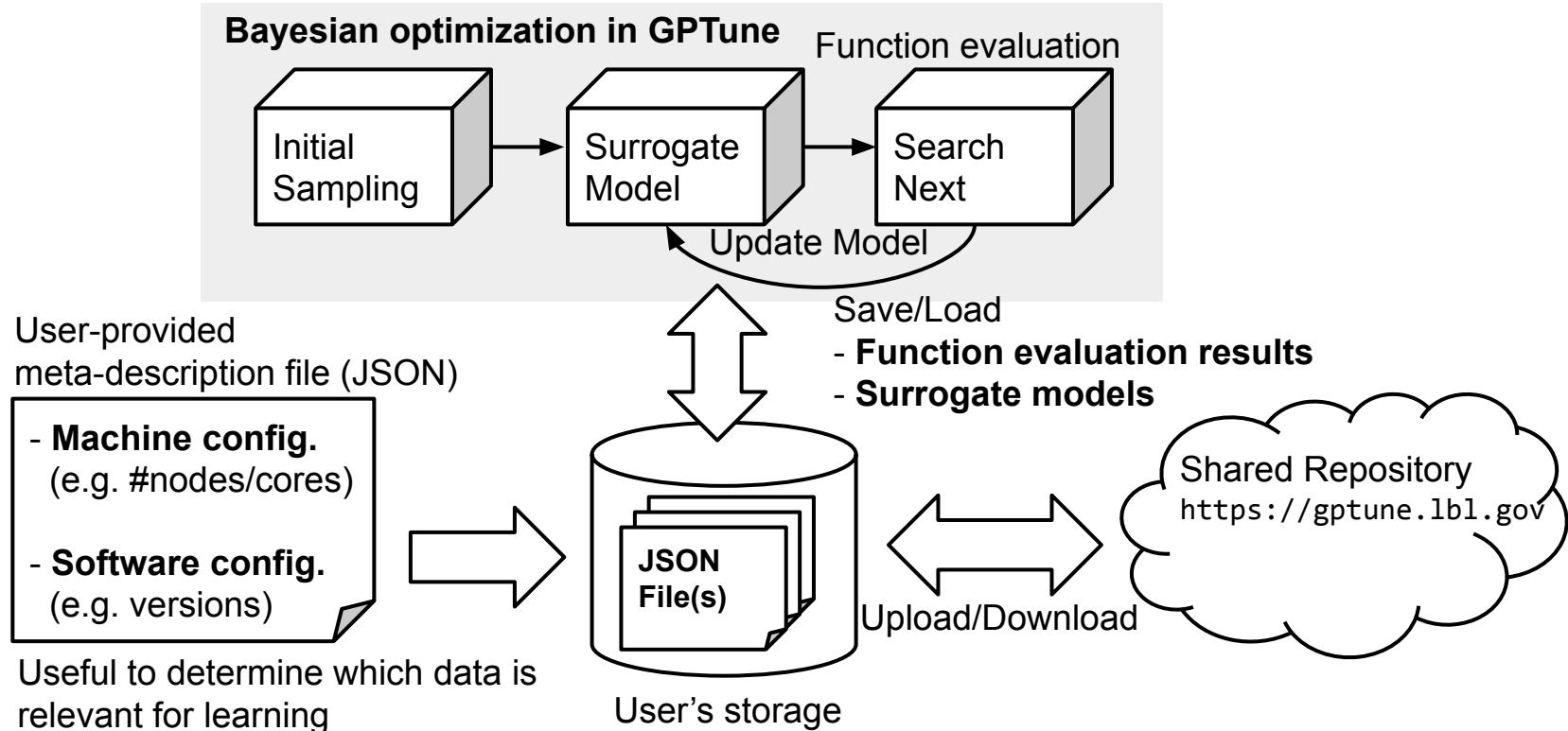


# Recently Updated Features

- **History database**
  - Allow GPTune to save/load historical performance data
  - Share your performance data with other users
- **CK-GPTune**
  - Interface to run reproducible workflow from CK\* with history database
- **Clustered GP**
  - Surrogate modeling for discontinuous performance function surface

# History Database

- Allow GPTune to store/load historical performance data



# Meta Description

- History DB runs automatically with a meta-description file via common GPTune interfaces:
  - MPI-spawning interface
  - Reverse communication interface
- Path to the meta description file: \$APP/.gptune/meta.json
- Historical data is stored in \$APP/.gptune.db/

```
{  
  "tuning_problem_name": "PDGEQRF",  
  
  "machine_configuration": {  
    "machine_name": "Cori",  
    "Haswell": { "nodes": 1, "cores": 32 }  
  }  
  
  "software_configuration": {  
    "scalapack": { "version_split": [2,1,0] }  
  }  
}
```

# Historical Data

Example: .gptune.db/PDGEQRF.json

```
{  
    "func_eval": [  
        { ... }, each function  
        { ... }, evaluation result  
        ...  
    ],  
    "surrogate_model": [  
        { ... }, each surrogate  
        { ... }, model  
        ...  
    ]  
}
```

Given by  
meta file

Example function evaluation result

```
{  
    "task_parameter": { "m": 10000, "n": 10000 },  
    "tuning_parameter": { "mb": 6, "nb": 9,  
    "nproc": 5, "p": 203 },  
    "evaluated_result": { "r": 9.94401 },  
    "machine_configuration": {  
        "machine_name": "Cori",  
        "Haswell": { "nodes": 1, "cores": 32 }  
    }  
    "software_configuration": {  
        "scalapack": { "version_split": [2,1,0] }  
    }  
}
```

Example surrogate model

```
{  
    "hyperparameters": [ 1.59484,  
    1295127.9634998, ... ],  
    "model_stats": {  
        "log_likelihood": -22.19576,  
        "gradients": [ -9.37384, -7.43426,  
        ... ],  
        "iteration": 77  
    },  
}
```

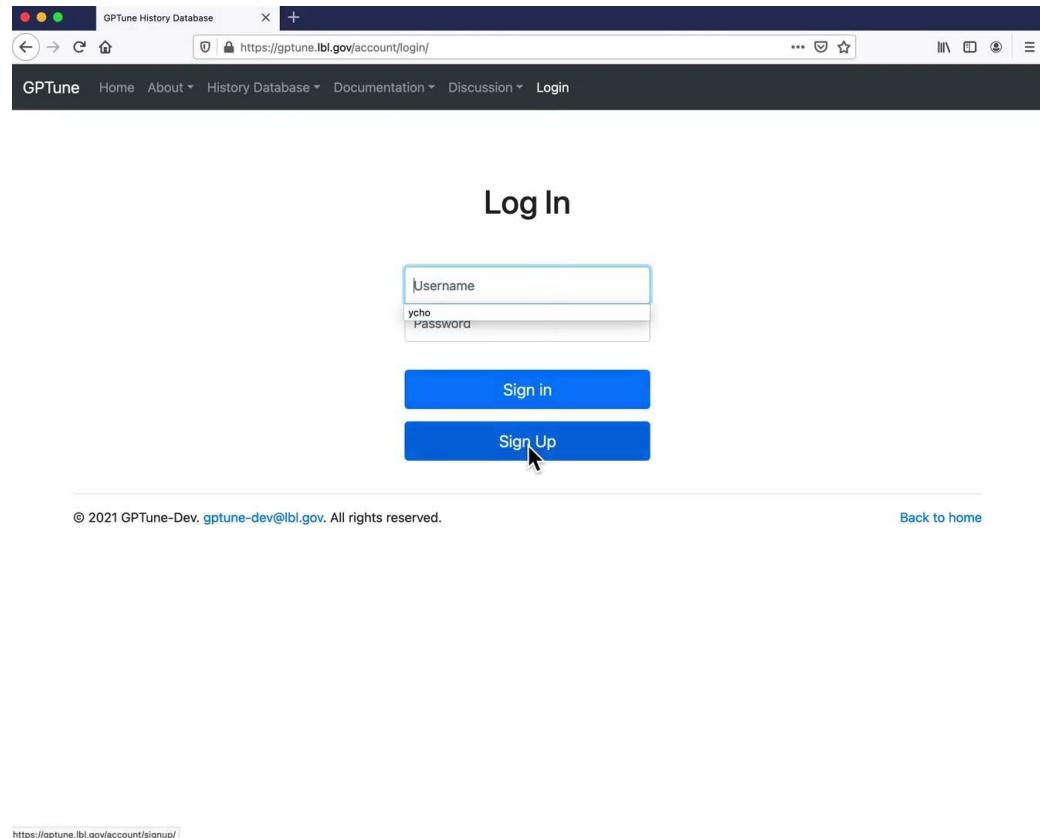
- Unique ID and data creation time are automatically added for each data

# History Database Use Cases

- **Checkpointing and restarting**
  - Useful for long autotuning processes, possible machine failures, limited job allocation times, etc.
- **Used in Reverse Communication Interface**
  - Provide more flexibility than the MPI spawning interface
- **Re-using pre-trained tuning results and surrogate models**
  - Reduced tuning cost, in-depth analysis with the performance model
- **Crowd-tuning using our shared repository**
  - For popular applications, data can be collected over time by many users

# Shared Repository

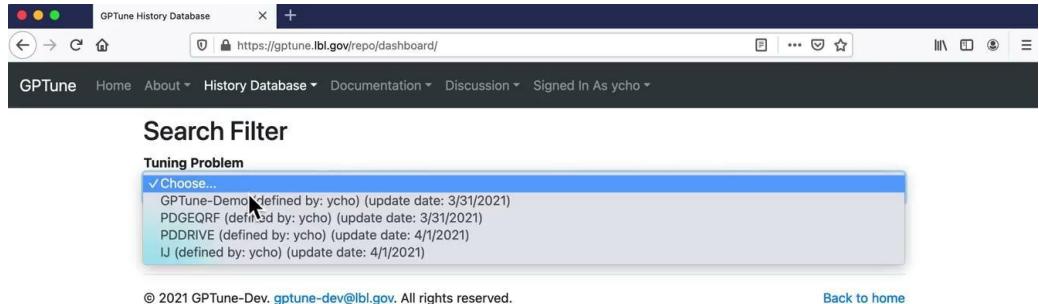
- A web interface using NERSC's resources (<https://gptune.lbl.gov>)
- Sign-up for free
- Level of accessibility
  - Publicly available
  - Registered users
  - Private
  - Sharing with specific users/groups



\* click the image to play the recorded video

# Downloading Data

1. Select the tuning application
2. Select machine/software configuration(s):  
The dashboard loads data obtained from the selected configurations.
3. Browse/Export results



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# Uploading Data

1. Select your tuning problem and machine from the dropdown list

If not exist: Add your tuning\_problem/machine\_info.

2. Select the accessibility
3. Upload JSON file/text

The screenshot shows a web browser window for the GPTune History Database at the URL <https://gptune.lbl.gov/repo/add-machine/>. The page has a dark header with the GPTune logo and navigation links for Home, About, History Database, Documentation, Discussion, and Signed In As ycho. The main content area contains three input fields:

- A text input field labeled "Tag names that can be used instead of the given full name (comma separated)" with an empty text area below it.
- A checkbox list titled "Choose Processor/Accelerator/Co-Processor Model(s)" containing a long list of Intel Xeon Processor models, all of which are currently unchecked.
- A checkbox list titled "Choose Interconnect(s)" containing a list of interconnect types: Ethernet, Infiniband, Aries, Omni-Path, Custom, and Tofu, all of which are currently unchecked.

At the bottom of the form, there is a note: "Please email us at gptune-dev@lbl.gov if you want to suggest modifications/additions to the given data list (e.g. systems/processors /interconnects)". A large blue "Submit" button is located at the bottom right of the form area.

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# CK (Collective Knowledge) and CK-GPTune

- CK (<https://cknowledge.org>) is an interface and tool for reproducible and automated workflows, and developed by cTuning foundation.
  - Users write meta-description of their workflow using CK's syntax
  - CLI for auto-installation/compilation and running workflow
  - Software dependencies and versions are detected automatically
  - Can share the automated workflow with other user
- CK-GPTune (<https://github.com/gptune/CK-GPTune>)
  - CLI to run CK-enabled autotuning workflows with history database while taking the advantage of CK's software detection technology
  - Provide some examples of CK-enabled autotuning workflows
    - e.g. PDQEQRF in ScaLAPACK, PDDRIVE in SuperLU\_DIST, IJ in Hypre

# Meta Description in CK

- CK's meta description syntax
  - How to compile/install? e.g. `compile_cmds`
  - How to run the workflow? e.g. `run_cmds`
  - Which software is required to compile/run?  
e.g. `compile_deps`, `run_deps`
- Meta description for CK-GPTune
  - Detected software information is stored in the historical database file automatically
  - Still need to provide `machine_configuration` manually

```
“machine_configuration”: {  
    “machine_name”: “Cori”,  
    “Haswell”: { “nodes”: 1, “cores”: 32 }  
}
```

Append

```
{  
    “compile_cmds”: {  
        “default”: “./compile.sh”  
    },  
    “run_cmds”: {  
        “default”: “./run.sh”,  
    },  
    “compile_deps”: {  
        “compiler”: {  
            “name”: “C Compiler”,  
            “tags”: “compiler,lang-c”  
        }  
    },  
    “run_deps”: {  
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            “name”: “OpenMPI library”,  
            “tags”: “”,  
            “version_from”: [4,0,0]  
        }  
    }  
}
```

# How to Use CK-GPTune

- Installation & Setup (Python 3+ is required)
  1. \$ pip install ck --user
  2. \$ ck pull repo --url=<https://github.com/gptune/CK-GPTune>
  3. \$ ck detect soft:lib.gptune
- If you have a CK-enabled GPTune autotuning workflow:
  - \$ ck MLA gptune --target=your\_ck\_program\_name
- If you want to run an example in CK-GPTune
  - \$ ck MLA gptune --target=gptune-demo
  - <https://github.com/gptune/CK-GPTune/tree/master/program>

# cGP: clustered Gaussian Process

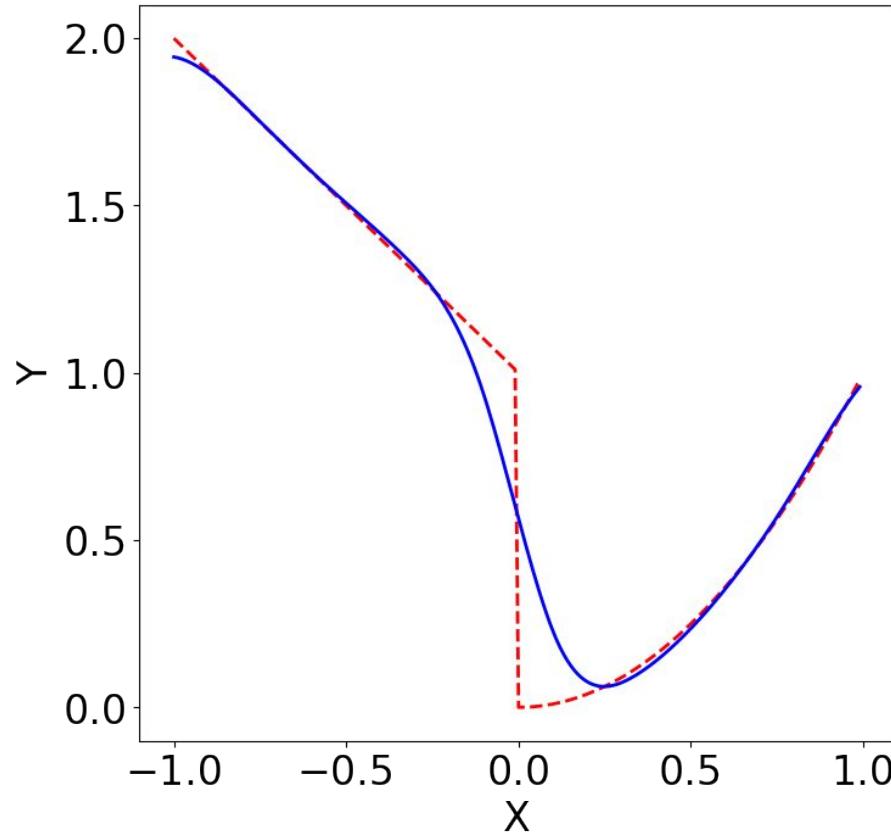
A smooth GP surrogate miss the minima  $x=0$  of the non-smooth function  $y=f(x)$ :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -x + 1 & x < 0 \\ x^2 & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

- Non-smoothness occurs in real world applications: matrix blocking, change-point, etc.
- Multiple strategies exist, but we address this within surrogate framework

\*Red line is the objective function f.

\*Blue line is a GP mean function.



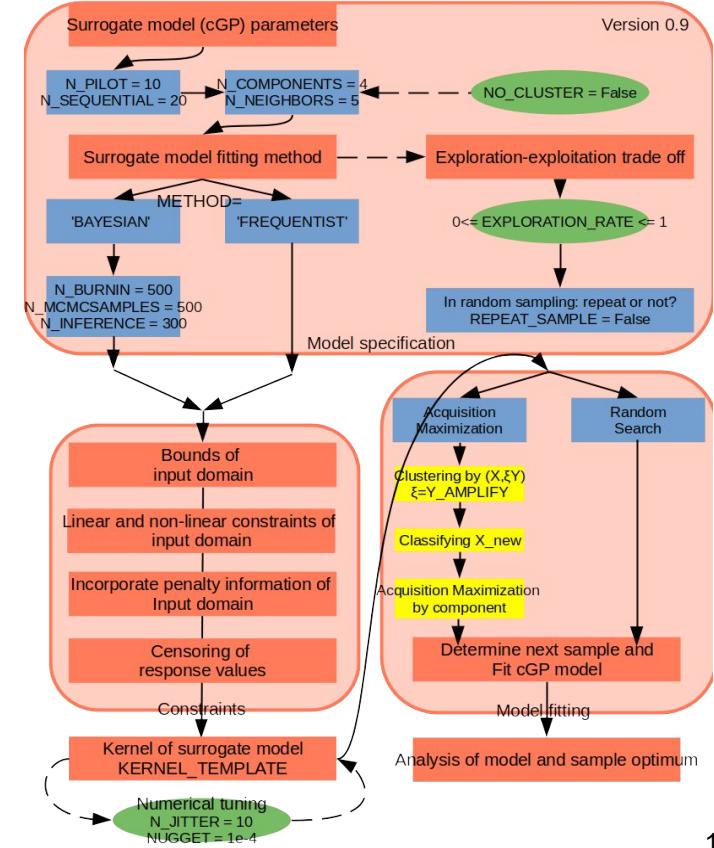
# cGP: clustered Gaussian Process

- **Gaussian processes are smooth.**  
GP surrogate takes care of smooth black-box objective functions well and gives good optima.
- **What if my objective black-box function is rough?**
  - Change of regime
  - Jumps or drops in the tuning problem
  - Discontinuity in general functions
- **clustered Gaussian process are non-smooth.**
  - We use a GP surrogate model based on a partitioning of the variable domain.
  - The partitioning is induced by user-specified clustering and classification algorithms.
  - cGP surrogate takes care of non-smooth black-box objective functions.

# cGP: flowchart and implementation

- **Key parameters of cGP**

- maximal number of clusters.  
**(N\_COMPONENT)** When this is 1, we are back to GP surrogate.
- neighbors for classification.  
**(N\_NEIGHBORS)** When this is 1, we use nearest neighbor partition.
- exploration rate.  
**(EXPLORATION\_RATE)** When this is 1, we always use acquisition maximization; when this is 0, we always use random search for next sample.



# cGP: flowchart and implementation

- **Model**

- cGP can be used alone as a surrogate model
  - Minimum requirement built on python
  - Compatible with scikit-learn/scipy format

- **Computation**

- cGP also has natural computational advantage when handling large datum
  - Instead of fitting one large GP, cGP fits multiple smaller GPs automatically
  - Capture local behaviors in different components.

- **Incorporation**

- cGP would be incorporated into GPTune and handles non-smooth objective functions

# cGP vs GP: benchmark

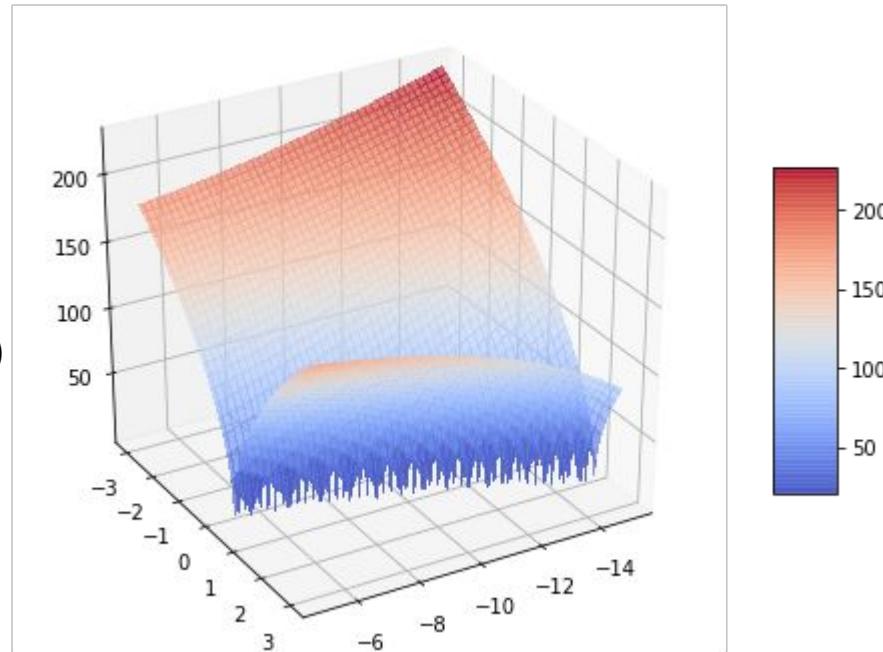
- Function

$$100\sqrt{|x_2 - 0.01x_1^2|} + 0.01|x_1 + 10|.$$

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- Result

- Among 100 runs, cGP(N\_COMP=3) obtains smaller f\_min compared to a GP model in over 90% of times.
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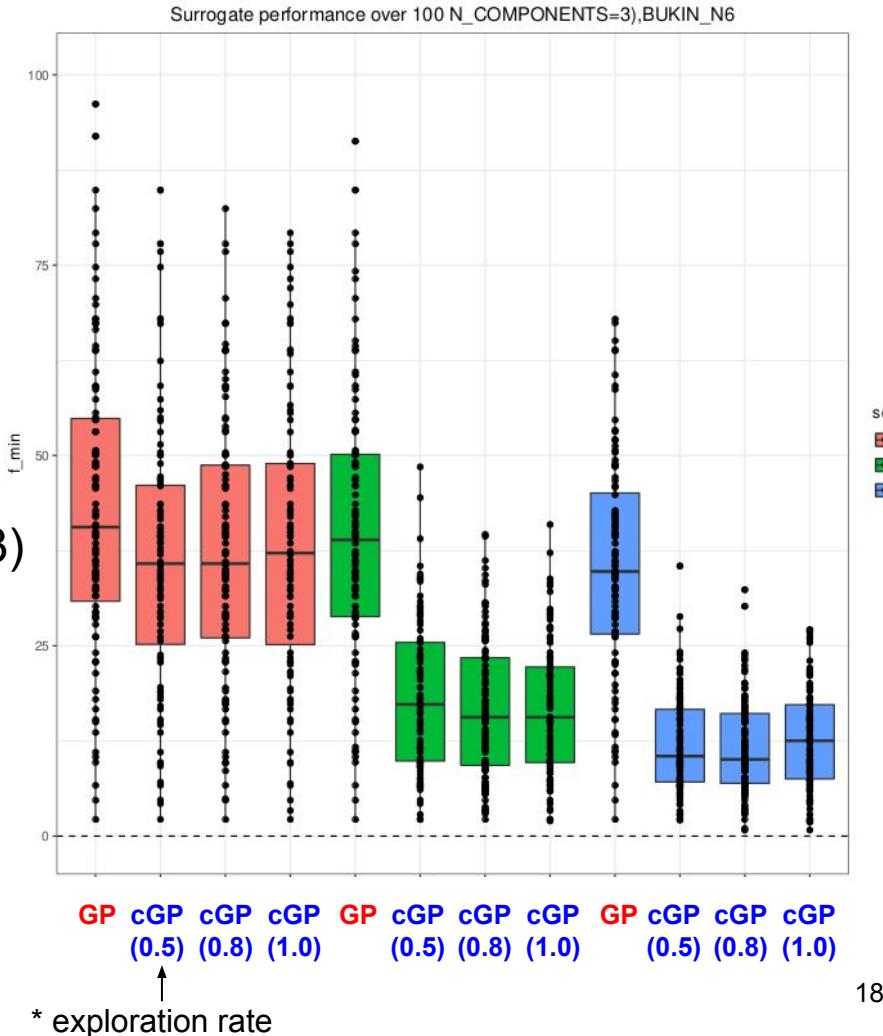
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Percentage of runs that cGP(N\_COMPONENTS=3) is better than GP (same seed); among 100 runs

seqSize	expRate =0.5(equal)	expRate =0.5(strict)	expRate =0.8(equal)	expRate =0.8(strict)	expRate =1.0(equal)	expRate =1.0(strict)
10	0.96	0.33	0.96	0.26	0.98	0.22
90	0.95	0.83	0.98	0.85	0.96	0.87
190	0.98	0.91	0.97	0.88	0.95	0.9



# Thank you for your attention!

- GPTune is an autotuner for exascale applications based on Bayesian optimization with advanced features for best tuning with limited sample runs
- GPTune is freely available at <https://github.com/gptune/GPTune>
- Get started with a Docker image in the following hands-on experience session
- User feedback/suggestion is welcome!
  - Survey: <https://forms.gle/BGwpWr76Z9pa6oMr7>
  - Email: [gptune-dev@lbl.gov](mailto:gptune-dev@lbl.gov)

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## Instruction for Hands-on Exercises

1. Install and start docker program on your laptop
  - a. Linux
    - i. Install
      - sudo apt install docker (Ubuntu), see <https://docs.docker.com/engine/install/ubuntu/>
      - sudo dnf install docker (Fedora), see <https://docs.docker.com/engine/install/fedora/>
    - ii. Start Docker daemon
      - sudo systemctl start docker
      - sudo systemctl enable docker (Docker always starts at reboot)
  - b. Windows
    - Sign up Docker Hub and download installer from <https://docs.docker.com/docker-for-windows/install/>
    - Launch Docker Desktop
    - Open powershell or cmd
  - c. Mac
    - Sign up Docker Hub and download installer from <https://docs.docker.com/docker-for-mac/install/>
    - Launch Docker Desktop
2. Get the Docker image
  - a. docker pull liuyangzhuan/gptune:2.6
  - b. docker images  
(shows you what docker images you have available)
3. Run the Docker image (run as root)
  - a. docker run -it liuyangzhuan/gptune:2.6  
(create a container from the image and run it in interactive mode)
4. Testing

```
cd /app/GPTune/ ## root directory of the docker image
edit run_examples.sh ## vim,emacs,nano are available in the image
```

At line 38, change “nodes=1” to the number of nodes on your machine (nodes=1 for most laptops/PCs). At line 247, change “cores=4” to the number of cores per node on your machine. Then keep a copy by “cp run\_examples.sh run\_examples.sh\_backup”

- a. **GPTune-Demo:** cp run\_examples.sh\_backup run\_examples.sh. Uncomment lines 293-298 and run the script as follows:

```
bash run_examples.sh
```

This example minimizes an analytic function with one task input parameter  $t$  and tuning parameters  $x$ . The default setting generates 20 samples and 1 task. You can add command line options -nrun xxx and -ntask xxx after “python ./demo.py” to vary these numbers. The optimal tuning parameter and function value are printed after “Popt” and “Oopt”. The tuner runtime profile is printed after “stats:”. All function evaluation data are stored in  
./examples/GPTune-Demo/gptune.db/GPTune-Demo.json.

- b. **Scalapack-PDGEQRF:** cp run\_examples.sh\_backup run\_examples.sh. Uncomment lines 300-305 and run the script. This example minimizes runtime of QR factorization of ntask=2 randomly generated matrices with sizes at most mmax=1000 x nmax=1000, and tuning parameters: blocking sizes, thread count, and MPI process grid. GPTune will generate run=40 samples per task. The tuner runtime profile is printed after “stats:”. All function evaluation data are stored in  
./examples/Scalapack-PDGEQRF/gptune.db/PDGEQRF.json. The optimal tuning parameter and function value are printed after “Popt” and “Oopt” for each task “m:x n:y”. mmax, nmax, ntask, nrun can be changed at line 305.
- c. **Scalapack-PDGEQRF\_RCI:** cp run\_examples.sh\_backup run\_examples.sh. Uncomment lines 374-380 and run the script. The application is the same as above. However, this example uses the reverse communication interface (RCI) of GPTune. nrun, mmax, nmax, ntask can be changed at line 380. All function evaluation data are stored in  
./examples/Scalapack-PDGEQRF\_RCI/gptune.db/PDGEQRF.json.

- d. **More examples:** Uncomment corresponding lines [SuperLU\_DIST (line 309-314), STRUMPACK (line 317-322, 323-330), MFEM (line 334-339), ButterflyPACK (line 342-347)]. You can also work through all examples in run\_ppopp.sh (see detailed comments there) to reproduce experiments and figures of the paper *GPTune: Multitask Learning for Autotuning Exascale Applications*, PPoPP21.
- e. **Using shared repository:** Users can access our shared repository at <https://gptune.lbl.gov> and download/upload obtained function evaluation data. We encourage attendees to upload the generated GPTune-Demo's JSON file (the demo example does not require specific software/machine configuration, so it is easy to try). We provide a tester account (ID: gptune-tester, Password: gptuneTester).
  - The GPTune-Demo's JSON file can be copied out of the docker image by:  
`docker cp  
[container_ID]:/app/GPTune/examples/GPTune-Demo/gptune.db/GP  
Tune-Demo.json [local_dir]`  
## the [container\_ID] can be found by docker ps -a (run in your local system, not inside docker image), [local\_dir] is your desired local path.
  - After signing-in (<https://gptune.lbl.gov/account/login/>), access to the upload form (<https://gptune.lbl.gov/repo/upload/>).
  - Choose GPTune-Demo (defined by user "ycho") from the tuning problem list and "AnyMachine" from the machine list. Then, you can upload your GPTune-Demo JSON file.
  - You will be able to view the submitted data by using our dashboard (<https://gptune.lbl.gov/repo/dashboard/>).
- f. **cGP:** The user can try the cGP package for optimizing a 2D function 'BUKIN\_N6':  
`export PATH=/app/GPTune/env/bin/:$PATH  
cd /app/cGP/  
python cGP.py -h # this prints out all options of cGP`

```
python cGP.py -p 10 -s 30 -c 2 # this optimizes BUKIN_N6 function  
with 10 initial pilot samples, 30 sequential samples, and using 2  
clusters/cores.
```

5. Other useful commands:

- a. Attach to a running container

    docker image ls (list all available images)

    docker container ls (list all running containers)

    docker attach container\_id (attach to a running container with local  
changes)

6. Installation without Docker. If you prefer not to use Docker, you can also  
install GPTune directly. The installation will take up to 2 hours depending  
on your system.

- a. Download GPTune:

- i. git clone <https://github.com/gptune/GPTune.git>

- ii. cd GPTune

- b. Install GPTune

- i. Ubuntu-like OS: bash config\_cleanlinux.sh

- ii. Mac OS: Edit lines 6-9 of config\_macbook.zsh to make sure  
they match the version numbers provided by homebrew. zsh  
config\_macbook.zsh

- iii. NERSC Cori: bash config\_cori.sh

- c. Run GPTune

- i. Edit top parts of run\_examples.sh (and/or run\_ppopp.sh) so  
that they match your system: Ubuntu (lines 34-38), Mac OS  
(lines 11-15), Cori (lines 18-22).

- ii. bash run\_examples.sh (see section “4. Testing” above.)