

FREQUENCY-AWARE SURROGATE MODELING WITH **SMT** KERNELS FOR ADVANCED DATA FORECASTING

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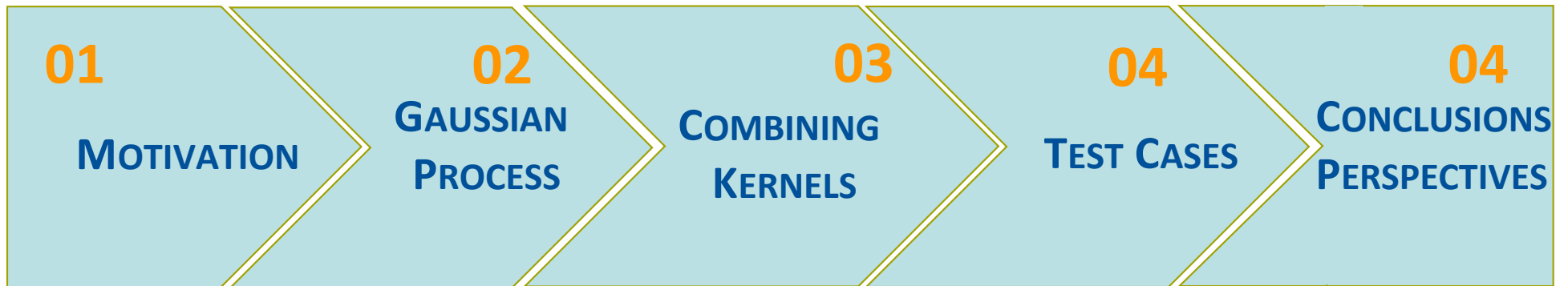


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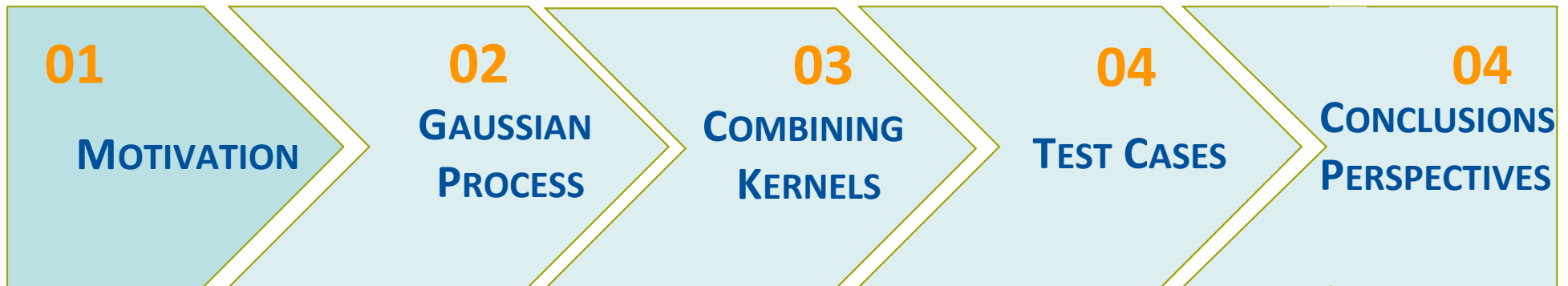
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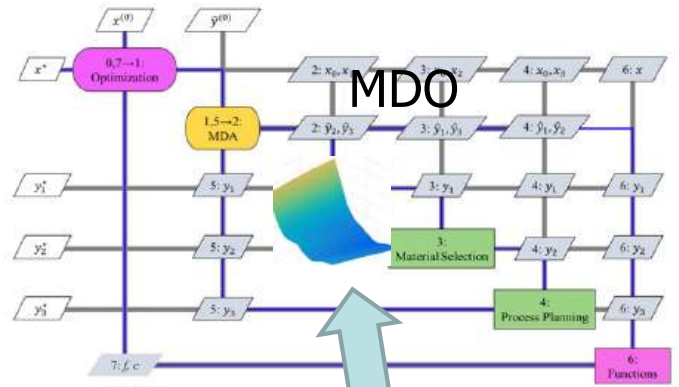
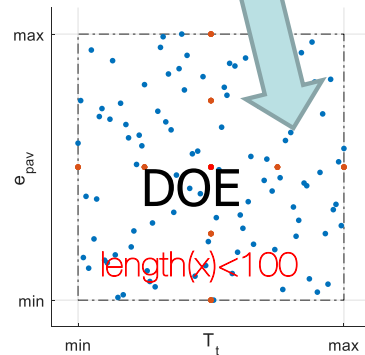
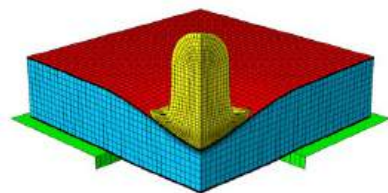
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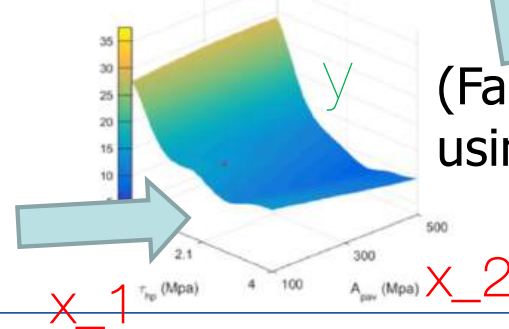
What is Surrogate Modeling ?

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(Expensive) simulation

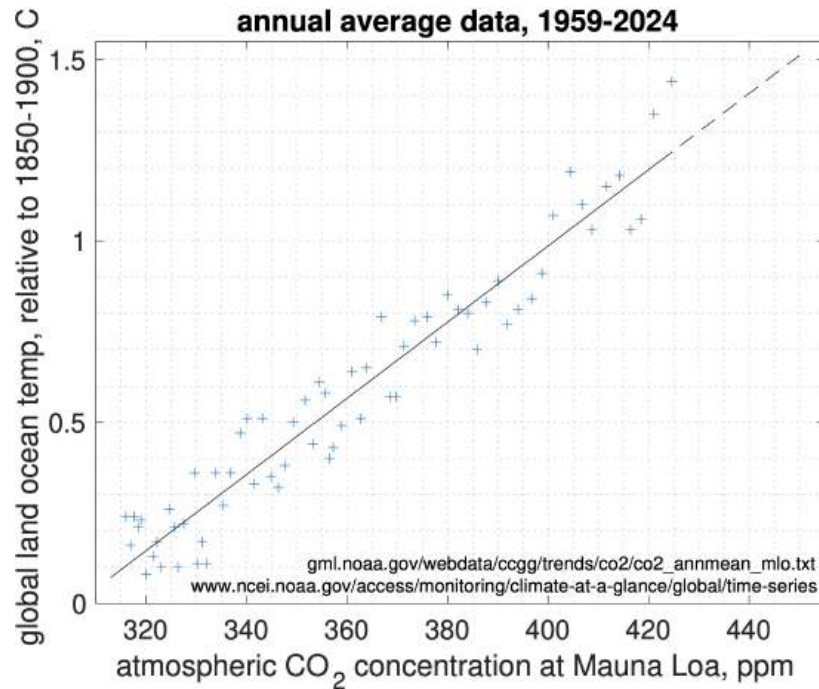


(Fast) Surrogate using SMT $y=f(X)$

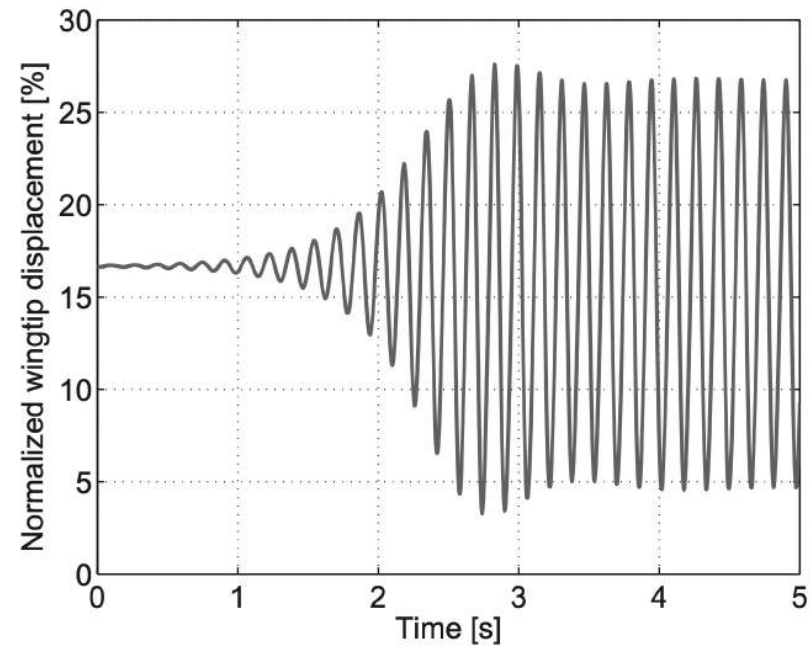


- A surrogate model of a function is an **approximation of Expensive Computer simulation**: It's a supervised learning process in AI.
- As the surrogate is less costly to evaluate it can be used as a "fast" code in a Multidisciplinary Design Optimization loop. [or do Uncertainty Quantification or do Bayesian Optimization etc...]

What's this ?



What is the link with flutter ?

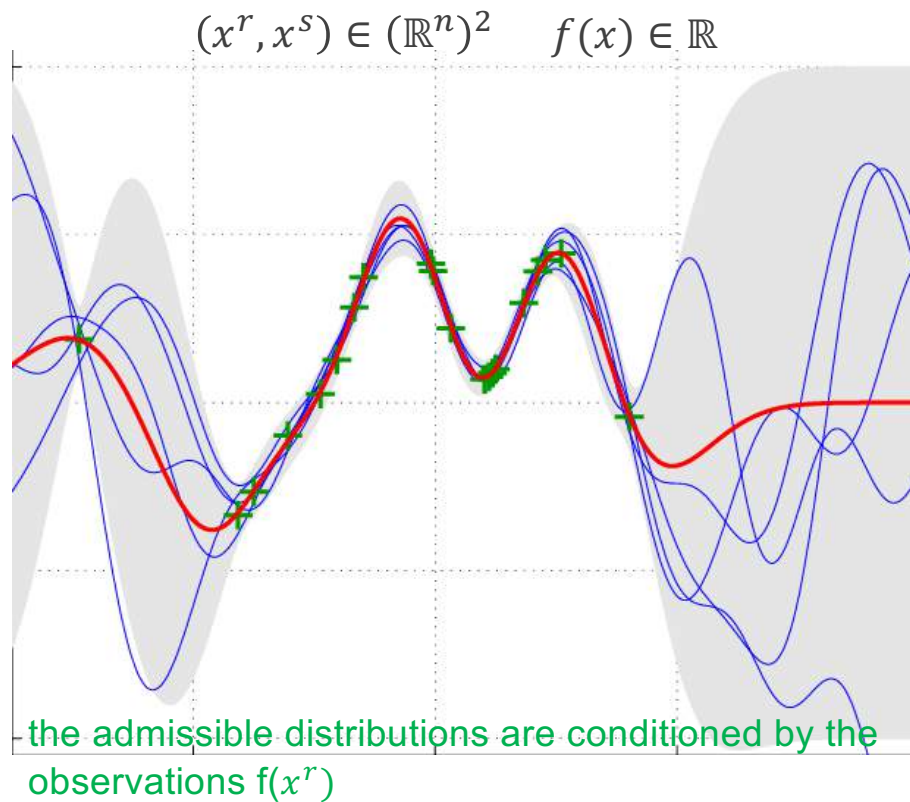


→ Forecasting with GP (extrapolation)

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GP aka Kriging

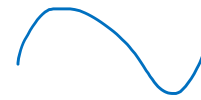


A Gaussian process (GP) is characterized by:

- its trend
 $\mu(x^r) \in \mathbb{R}$
- its correlation kernel
 $k(x^r, x^s) \in \mathbb{R}$



Learning database (observations x^r)



Samples from posterior distribution
(1 realization)



Mean



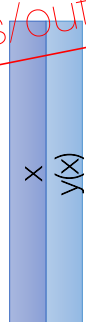
Variance (CI at 99%)

$$f_{\text{approx}}(x) = \mathcal{N}(\hat{f}(\mathbf{x}), s^2(\mathbf{x}))$$

Matrix view of Gaussian Process

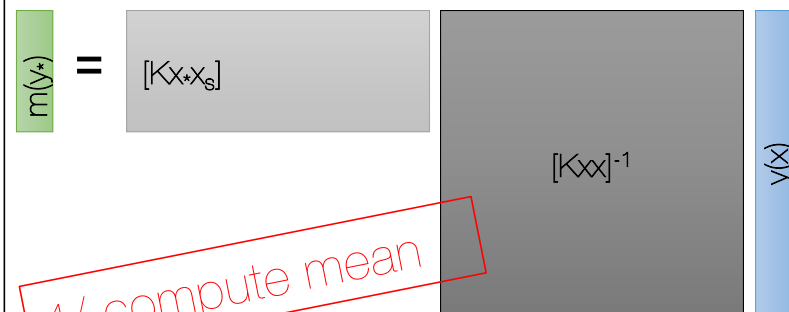
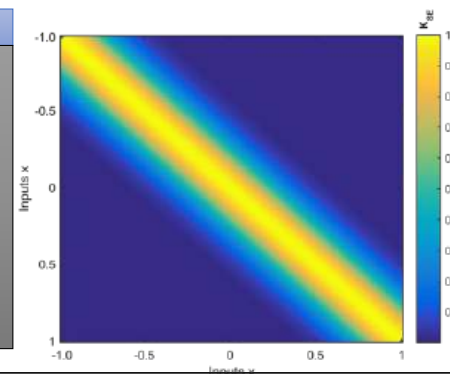
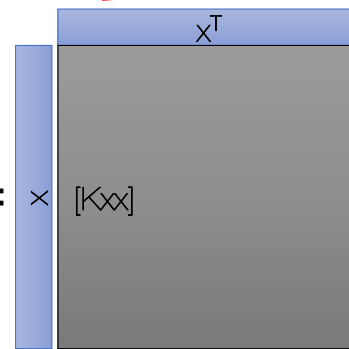
1/ Get your inputs/outputs data

2/ You want to predict at x^*



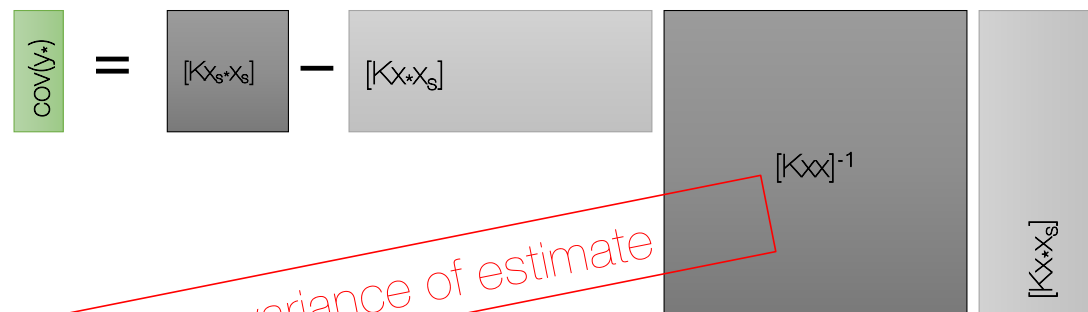
HYP1 Choose a Kernel here: SE

$$k(x, x') = \theta_1^2 \exp\left(-\frac{(x - x')^2}{2\theta_2^2}\right) = \times [K_{xx}]$$



4/ compute mean

$$m(x_*) = K_* [K_{xx}]^{-1} y$$



4/ compute variance of estimate

$$var(x_*, x'_*) = K_{**} - K_*^T [K_{xx}]^{-1} K_*$$

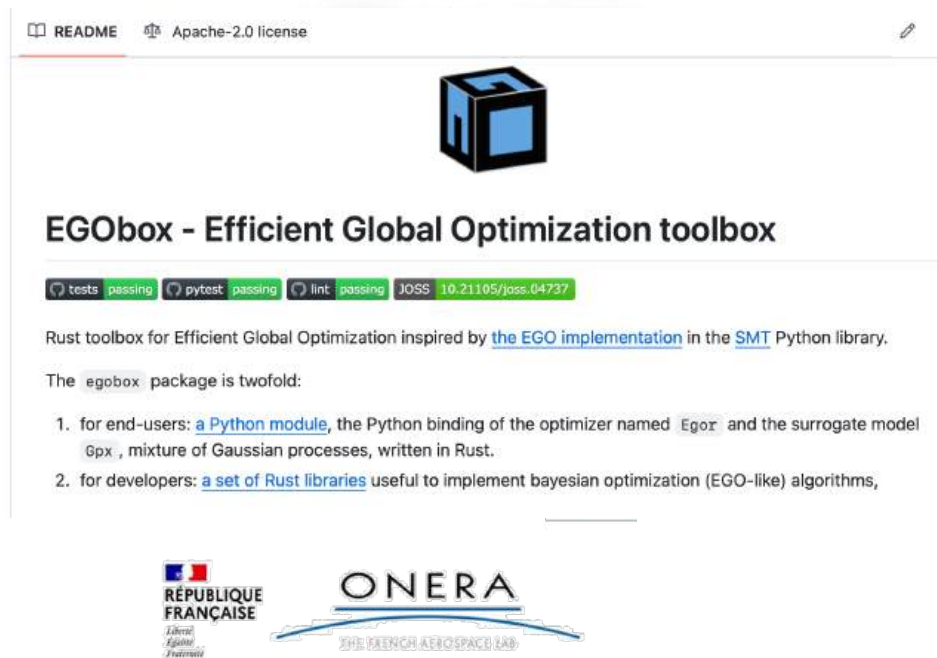
posterior_mean = covXXs @ np.linalg.inv(covXX_noisy) @ y

posterior_cov = covXsXs - covXXs @ np.linalg.inv(covXX_noisy) @ covXXs

GAUSSIAN PROCESS

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Not only SMT



<https://github.com/SMTorg/smt>

<https://github.com/relf/egobox>

SMT 2.9.2

<https://github.com/SMTorg/smt/tree/master/tutorial>

SMT Tutorial (linear, quadratic, gaussian process, ...)

Surrogate-based Optimization

- Efficient Global Optimization: How to start?
- Bayesian Optimization - Efficient Global Optimization to solve expensive problems
- Bayesian Optimization with noisy data

Multi-Fidelity Gaussian Process

- With required nested sampling
- With noise
- Adaptive sampling
- Without nested sampling

Proper Orthogonal Decomposition and Interpolation

- POD+I tutorial in SMT with global and local basis
- POD+I application to airfoil design

Kernel Engineering

- Kernel engineering tutorial in SMT
- Kernel engineering application to aeroelasticity prediction

Explainability and conformal prediction

- Warning: [The explainability usage tutorial has been moved to SMTorg/smt-explainability](#)

Other Gaussian Process Models and Sampling Methods

- LHS sampling (initial and expanded)
- Gaussian Process Trajectory Sampling
- Noisy Gaussian Process
- Sparse Gaussian Process
- Cooperative Components Kriging

Mixed-integer and mixed-hierarchical surrogate models

- Warning: [The Design Space usage tutorial has been moved to SMTorg/smt-design-space-ext](#)
- Specific notebook associated to the SMT 2.0 Journal Paper (submitted) with a focus on mixed integer and mixed hierarchical surrogate models (continuous, discrete, categorical)
- Mixed-Integer Gaussian Process and Bayesian Optimization to solve unconstrained problems with mixed variables (continuous, discrete, categorical)
- Mixed-Integer Gaussian Process and Bayesian Optimization for Engineering application

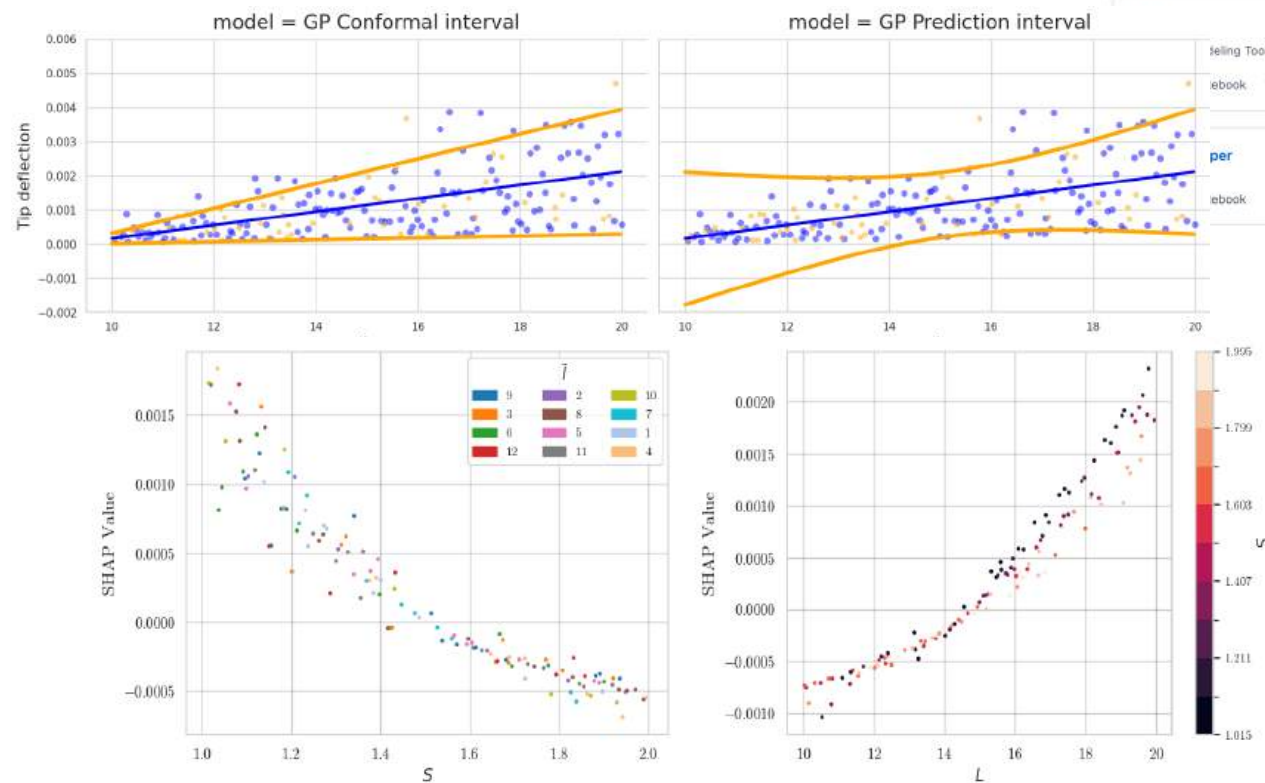
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Not only SMT

<https://github.com/SMTorg/smt-explainability>



Popular repositories

Selling Toolbox

ebook ☆ 751 📄 214

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ebook

[smt-design-space-ext](#)

SMT design space extension for hierarchical variable handling

Jupyter Notebook ☆ 2 📄 1

[smt-explainability](#)

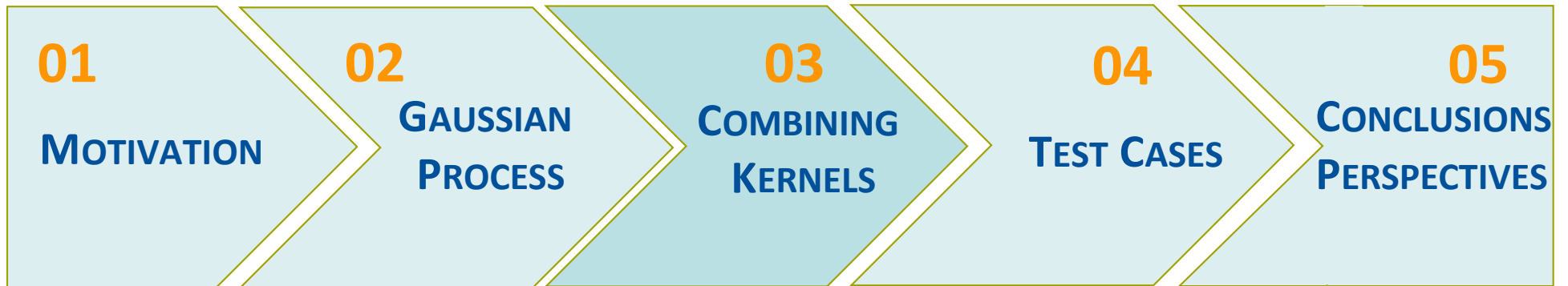
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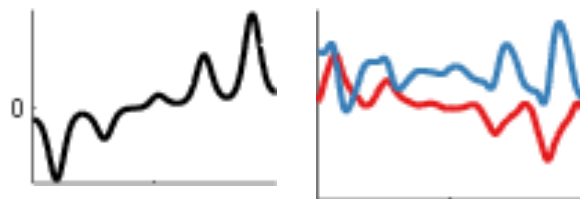
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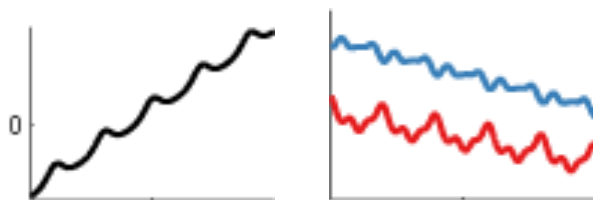
Combining kernels

Linear times Periodic



A linear kernel times a periodic results in functions which are periodic with increasing amplitude as we move away from the origin.

Linear plus Periodic



A linear kernel plus a periodic results in functions which are periodic with increasing mean as we move away from the origin.

Automatic Model Construction
with Gaussian Processes

<https://pyro.ai/examples/gp.html>
<https://www.cs.toronto.edu/~duvenaud/cookbook/>
<https://github.com/jkfitzsimons/>



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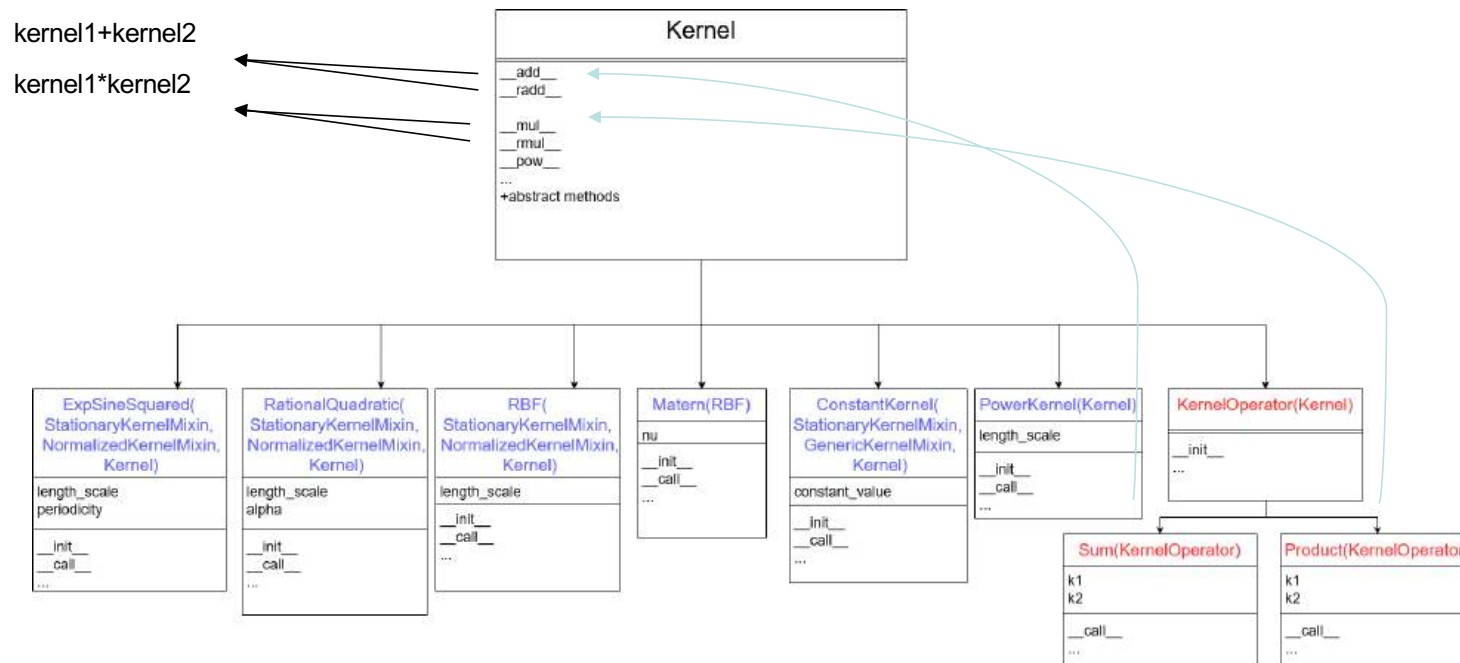
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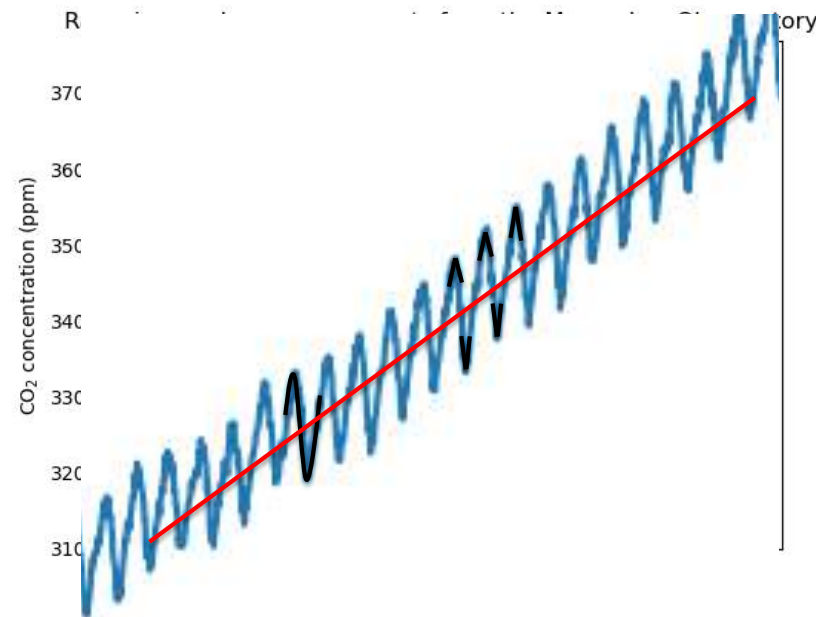
Modeling periodic data with periodic kernel

New architecture for kernels in SMT



Modeling periodic data with periodic kernel

Simple dataset: Mauna Loa CO₂ concentration measurements



Goal: Interpolate data correctly and use periodicity to extrapolate

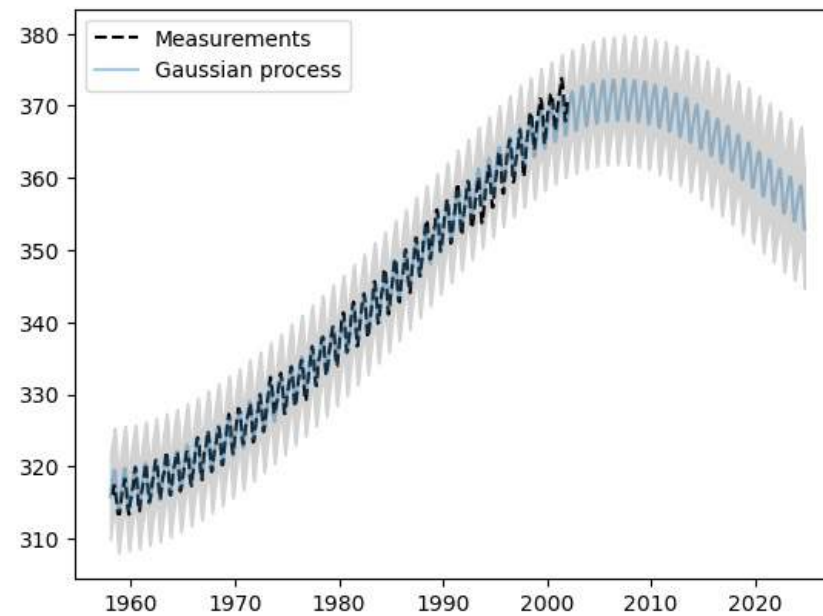
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Validation (Mauna Loa observation)

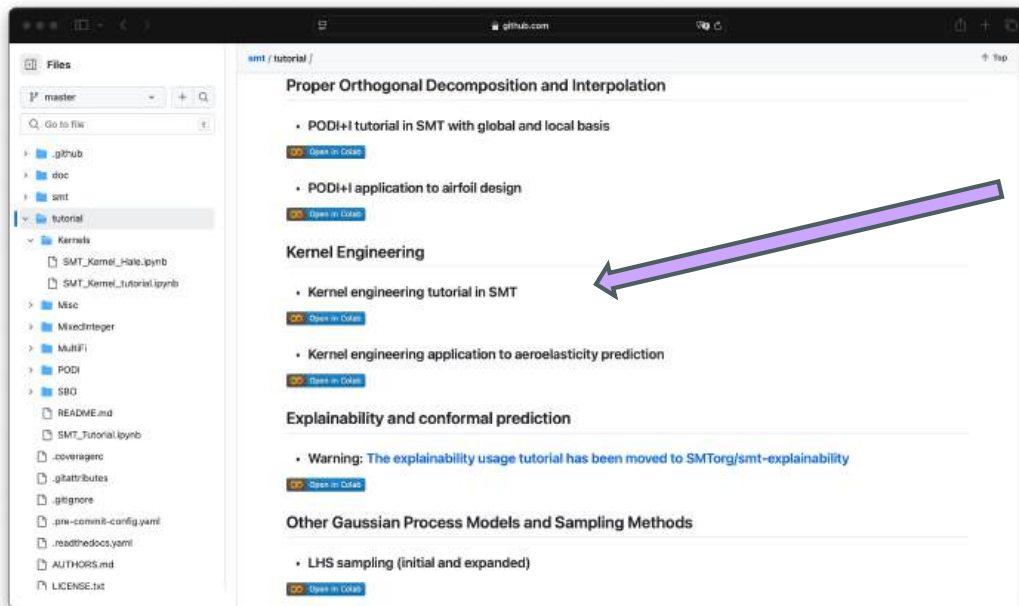
Kernel = squared exponential*periodic kernel +squared exponential



poor extrapolation and interpolation

Tutorial (Mauna Loa observation)

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θ_0

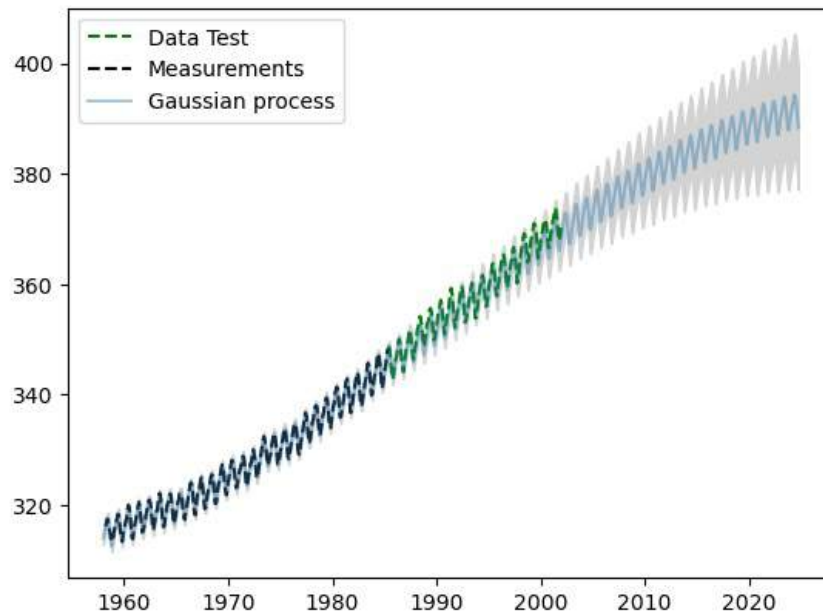
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...  
k=RBF([0.01])+Period([0.01,0.01])*RBF([0.01])+Rat_quad([0.01,0.01])
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from smt.surrogate_models import KRG  
sm=KRG(corr=k, hyper_opt="Cobyla",n_start=50)  
sm.set_training_values(X, y)  
sm.train()
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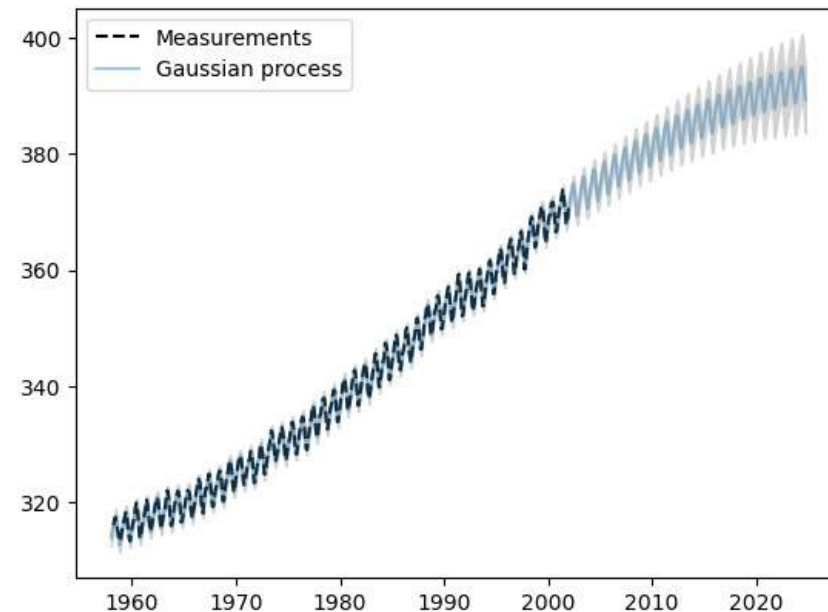
θ^* is found, then predict mean and variance for test

Validation (Mauna Loa observation)

Kernel = squared exponential*periodic kernel
+squared exponential + rational quadratic



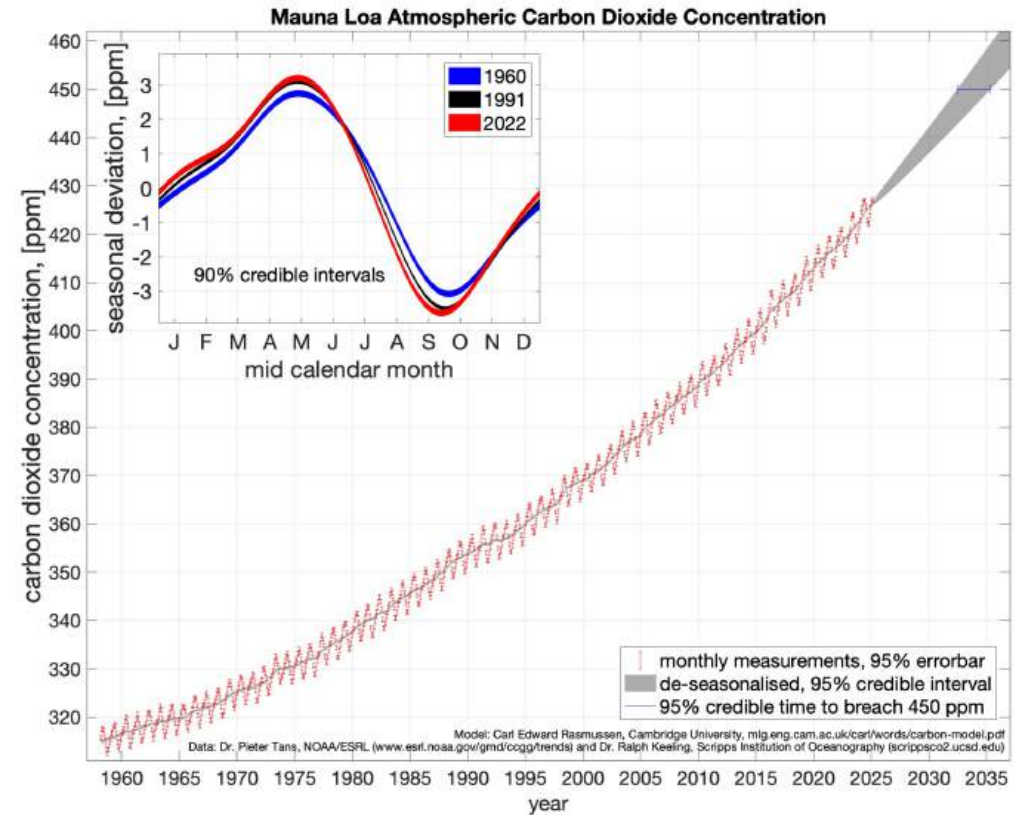
Kernel = squared exponential + squared exponential * periodic
kernel + rational quadratic + squared exponential +whitenoise



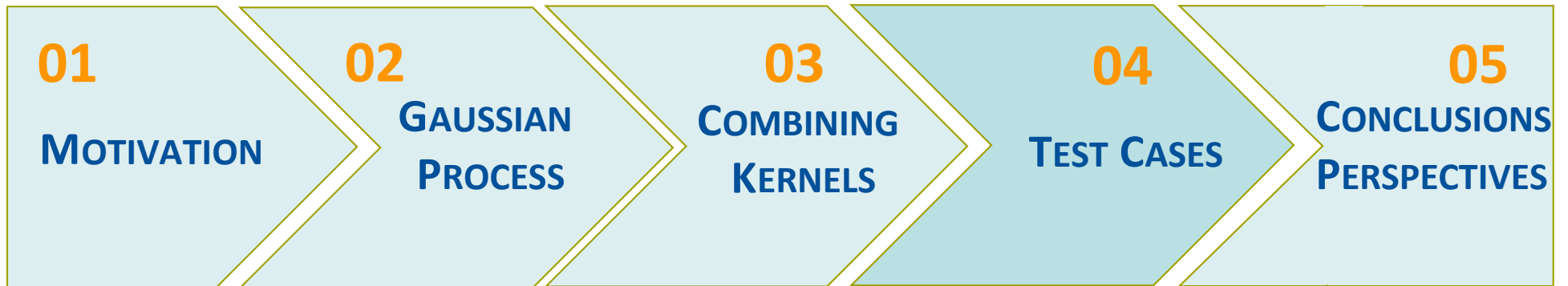
Similar results as [scikit-learn](https://scikit-learn.org/stable/auto_examples/gaussian_process/plot_gpr_co2.html) with a simpler kernel. https://scikit-learn.org/stable/auto_examples/gaussian_process/plot_gpr_co2.html
Successful regression and good extrapolation.

Want more details...
Ask Carl !

<https://mlg.eng.cam.ac.uk/carl/climate/onepointfive.html#co2-model-details>

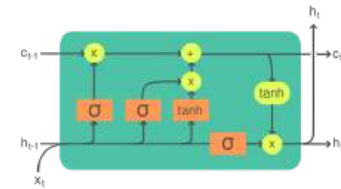
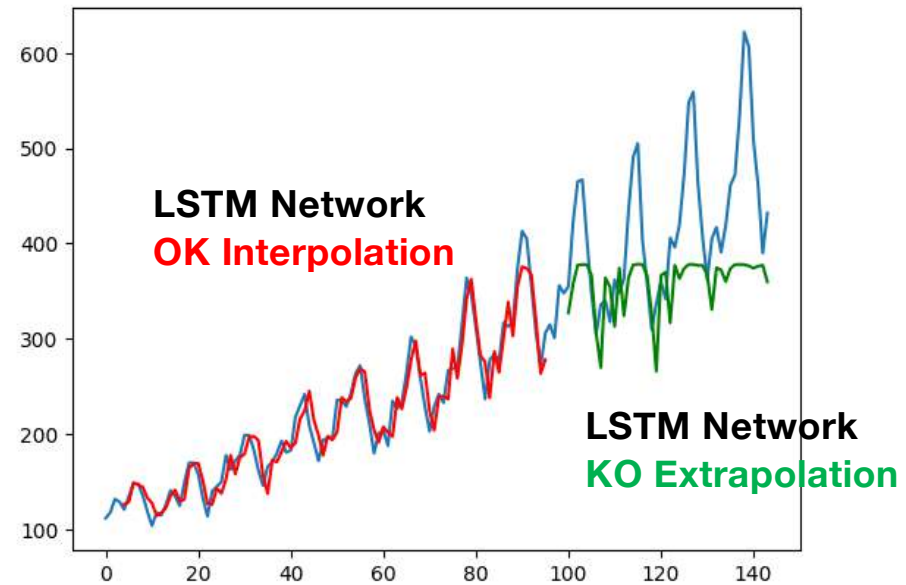
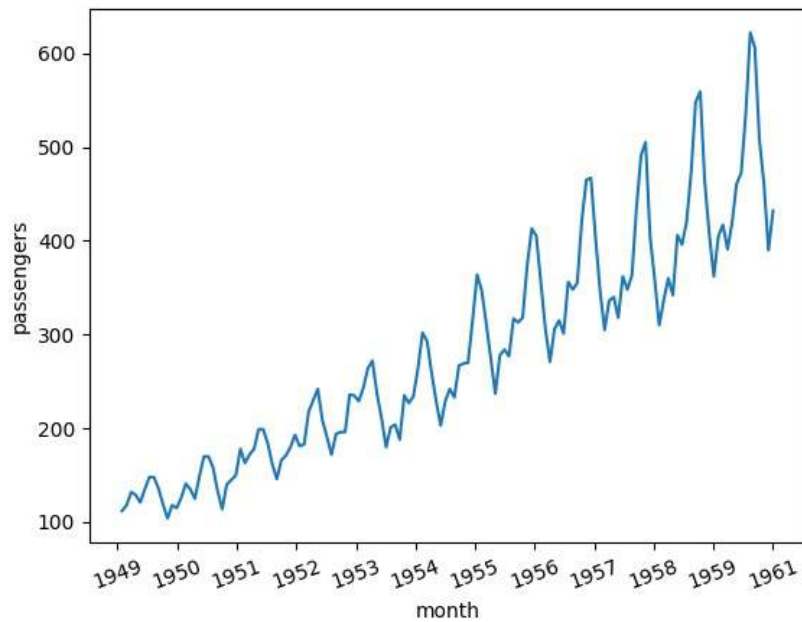


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Test case 1 (international airline passengers)

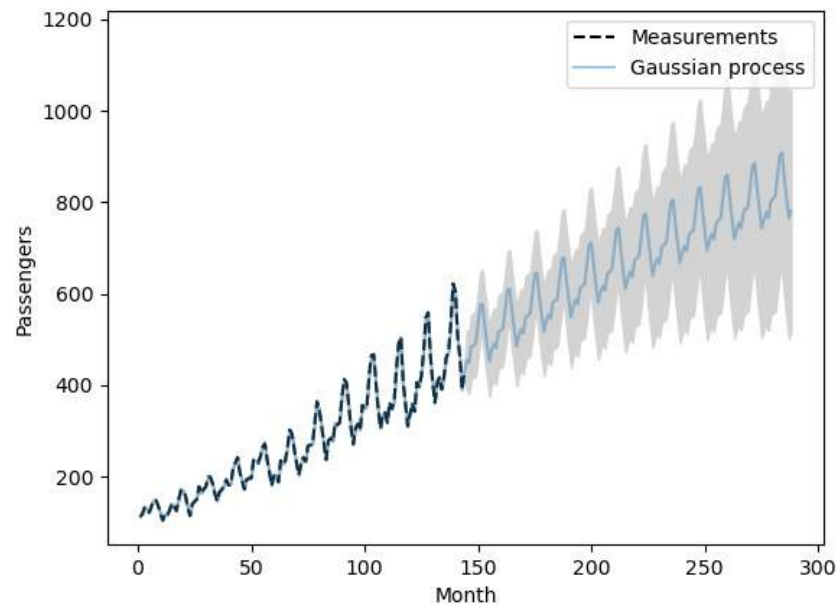
International airline passengers



<https://machinelearningmastery.com/lstm-for-time-series-prediction-in-pytorch/>

Test Case 1 (international airline passengers)

Kernel = squared exponential*periodic kernel
+squared exponential + rational quadratic



GP with good kernel

OK Extrapolation

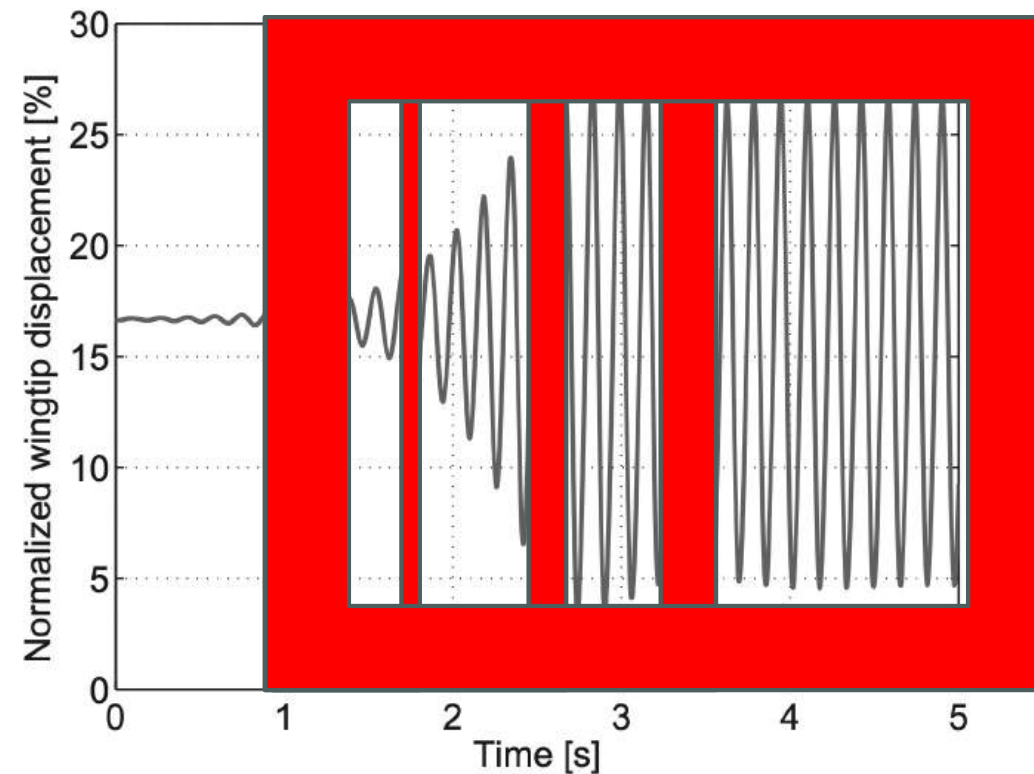
NEED TO INFERE THE KERNEL?

Test case 2 Flutter detection

Preliminary Results:

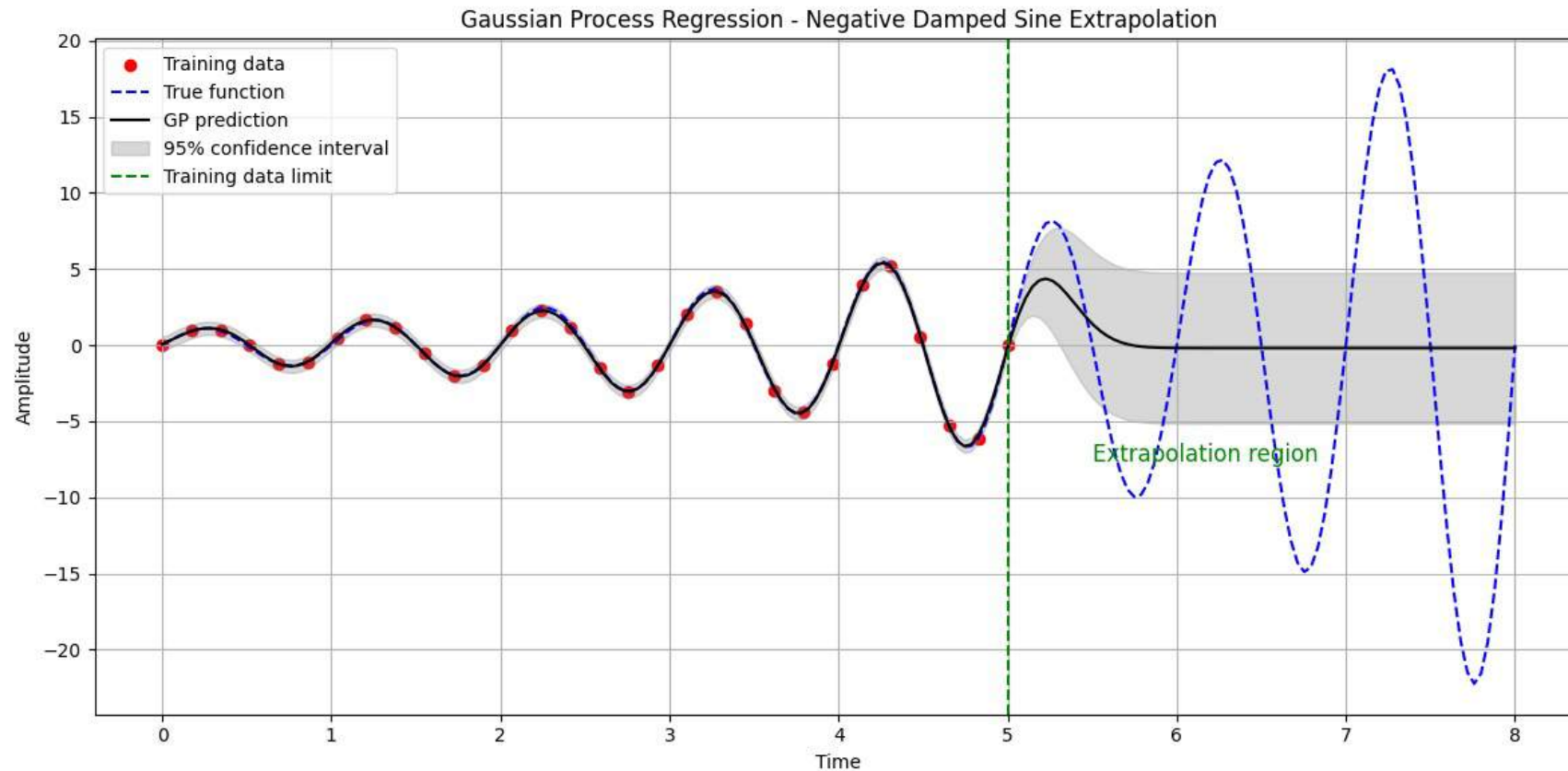
Need time signals

Find best kernels for different extrapolation rates

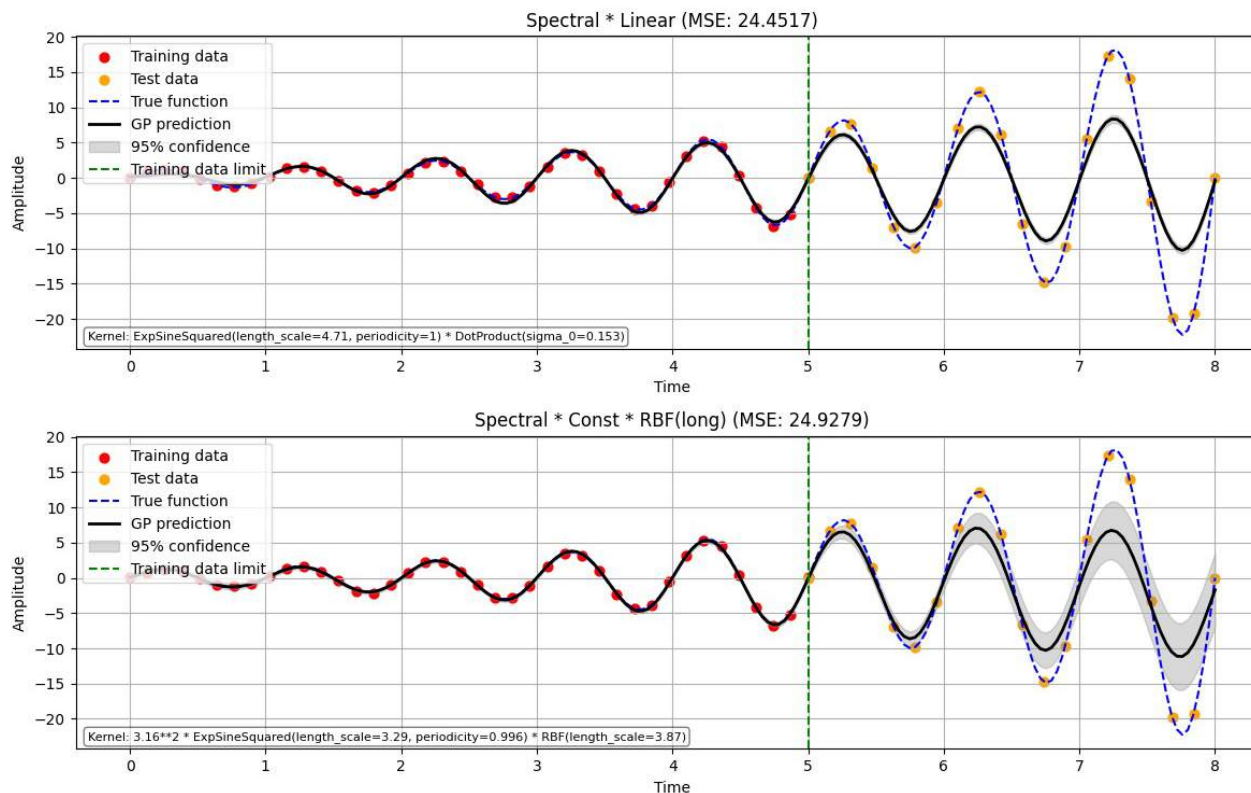


Play with Negative damped sine

i.e. Simplify flutter :) **without Kernel combination**



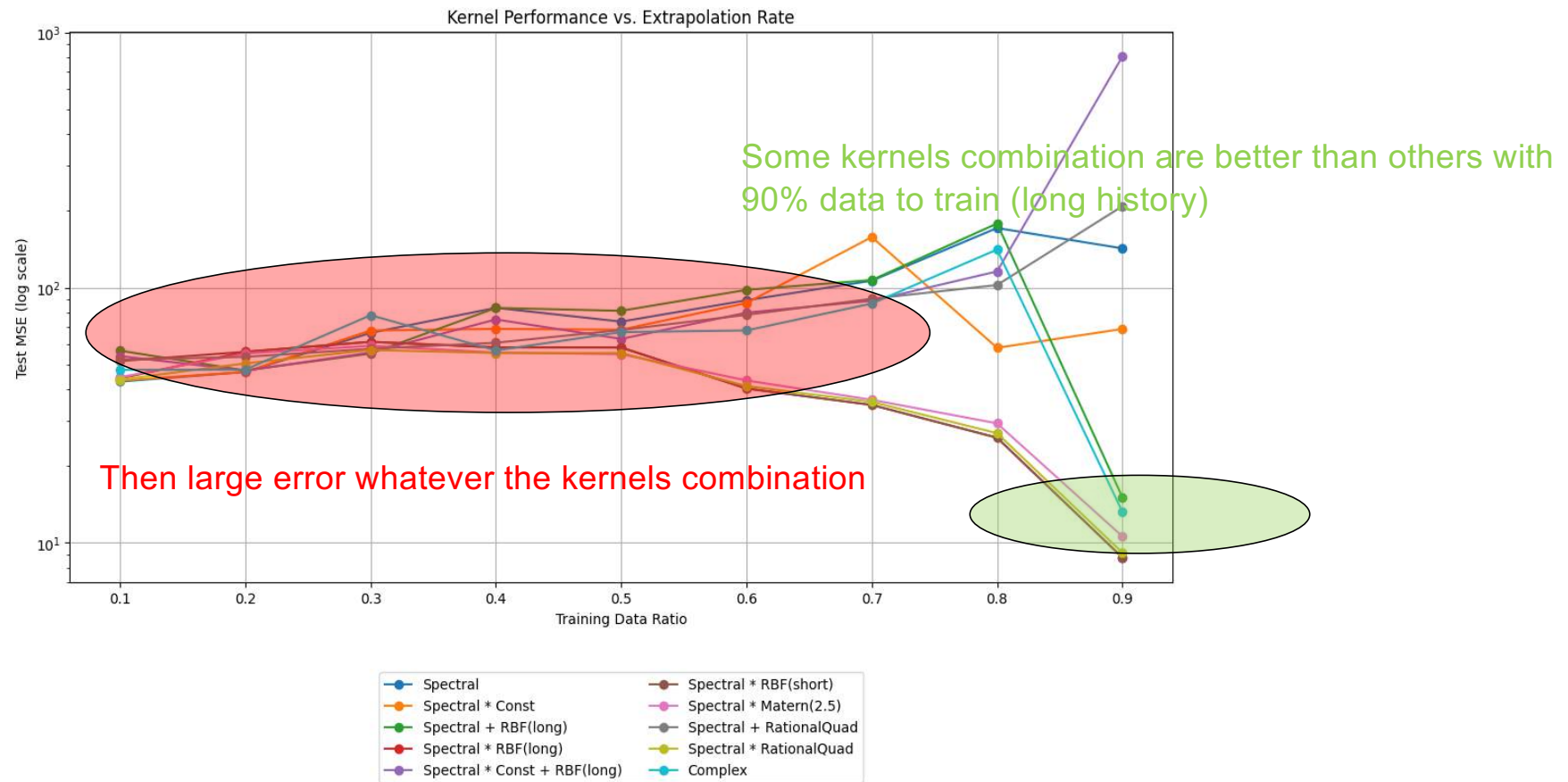
Simplify flutter :) with Kernels combination



Enumeration of Kernels combination is not the solution
Especially for different extrapolation rate (Train/test)

How to tune a flutter detection algorithm with few real time data ?
(Train:= long history / test := new short length data)

Simplify flutter :) with Kernels combination



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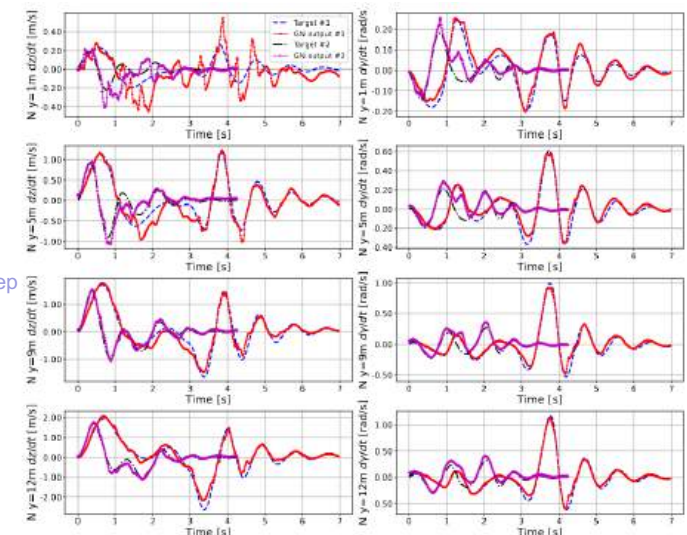
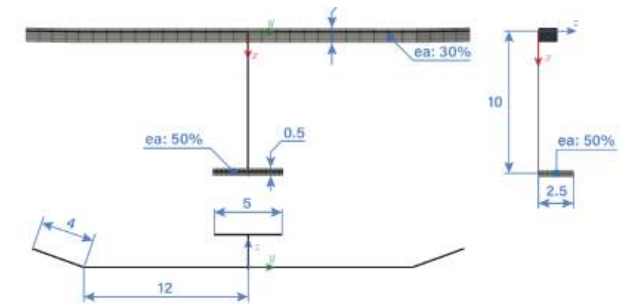
- Developed new kernels to increase extrapolation results quality
- New architecture for kernels in SMT
 - Chain rule to compute gradients (specificity of SMT)
 - Allow user-defined kernels so we can create more complex kernel
- Work in progress :
 - Adding more classical kernels and combination
 - Symbolic regression for avoiding enumeration
 - Gradient computing using jax

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- Perspectives :
 - Application to HALE data <https://imperialcollegelondon.github.io/sharpy/>
 - Combine kernels combination with dimension reduction technique



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