On the Power and Limit of Scientific Machine Learning

CBMS conference on deep learning and numerical PDEs

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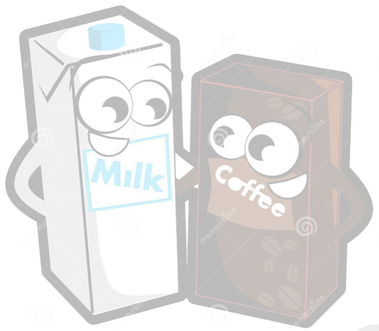

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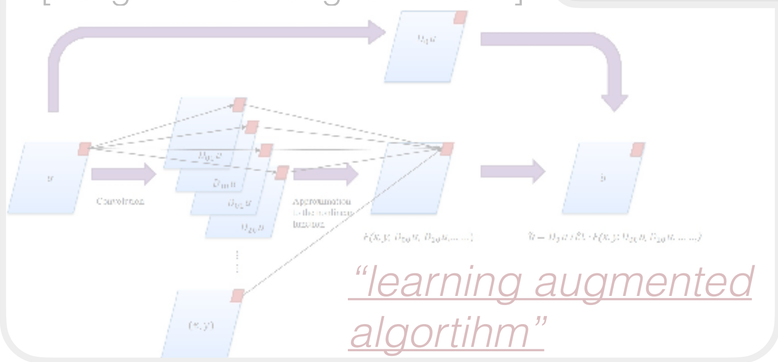

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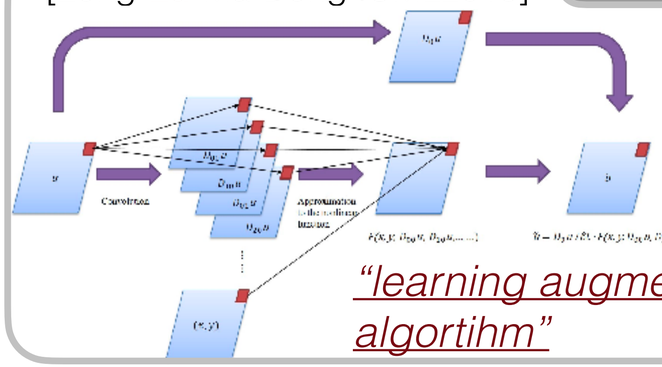

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Just ML + physic data?

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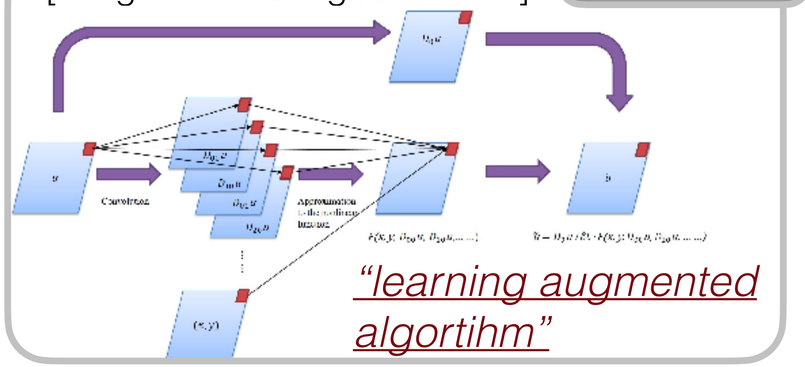

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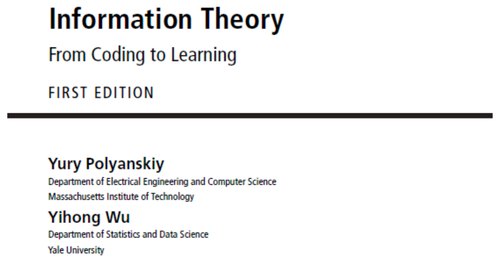

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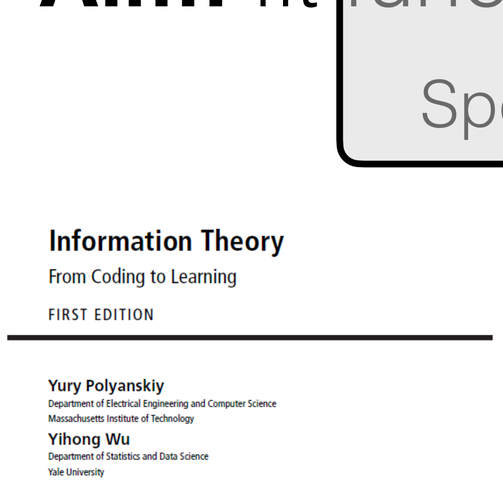

What is the task of scientific machine learning?

Not Just Differential Equation models

"Physic" Model

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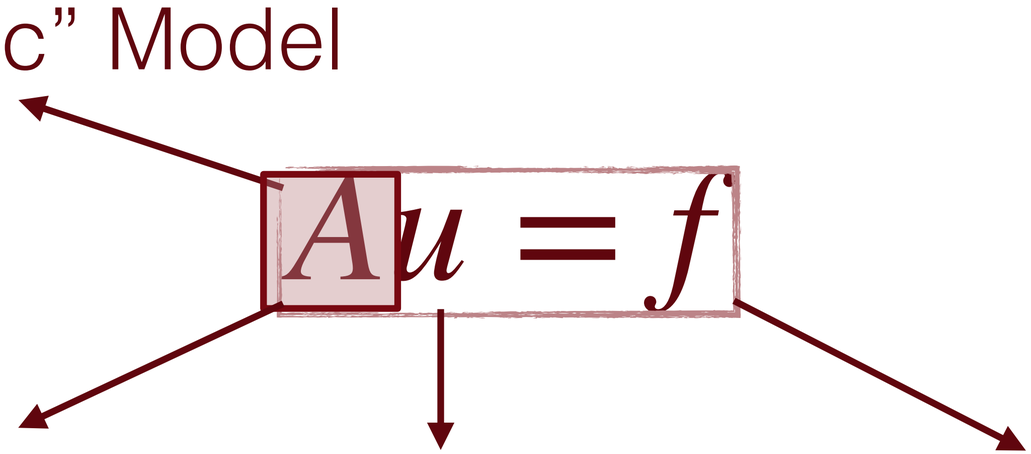

Hamilton Jacobi Equation	Value Function	Reward Function
Kolomoglov Equation	Committor function	Boundary Condition
Incentive Model Super-martingale OT	Pricing policy/tax	Agent Utility Distribution

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E.g. Drift, Diffusion Strength

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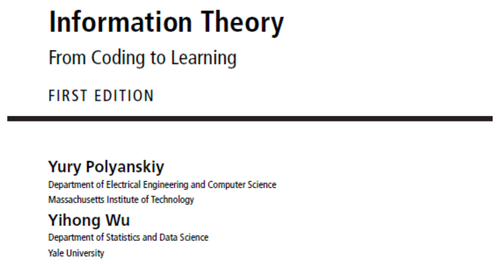

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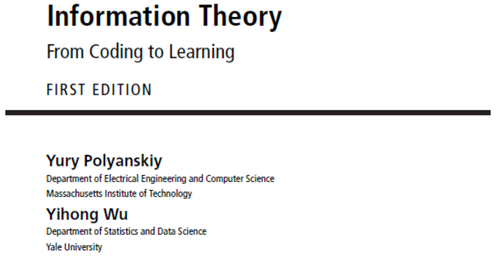

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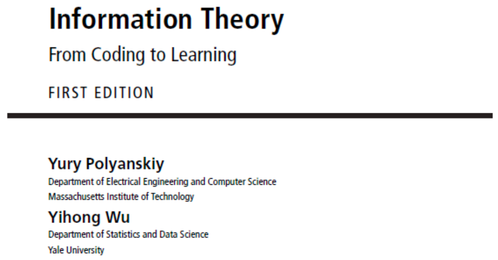

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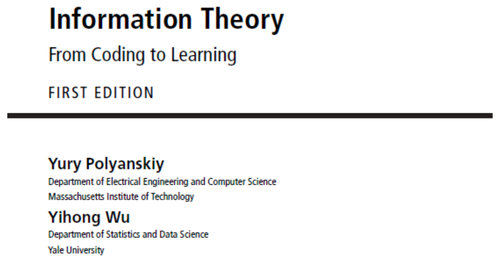

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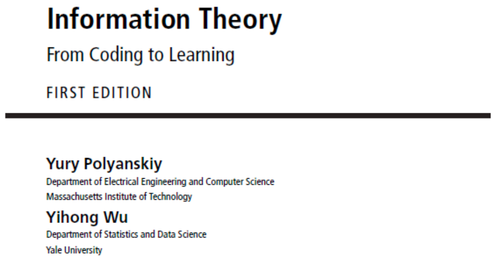
New technique for semi-parametric statistic via sobolev embedding



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Optimal Quadrature Rule via ML

https://arxiv.org/abs/2305.16527

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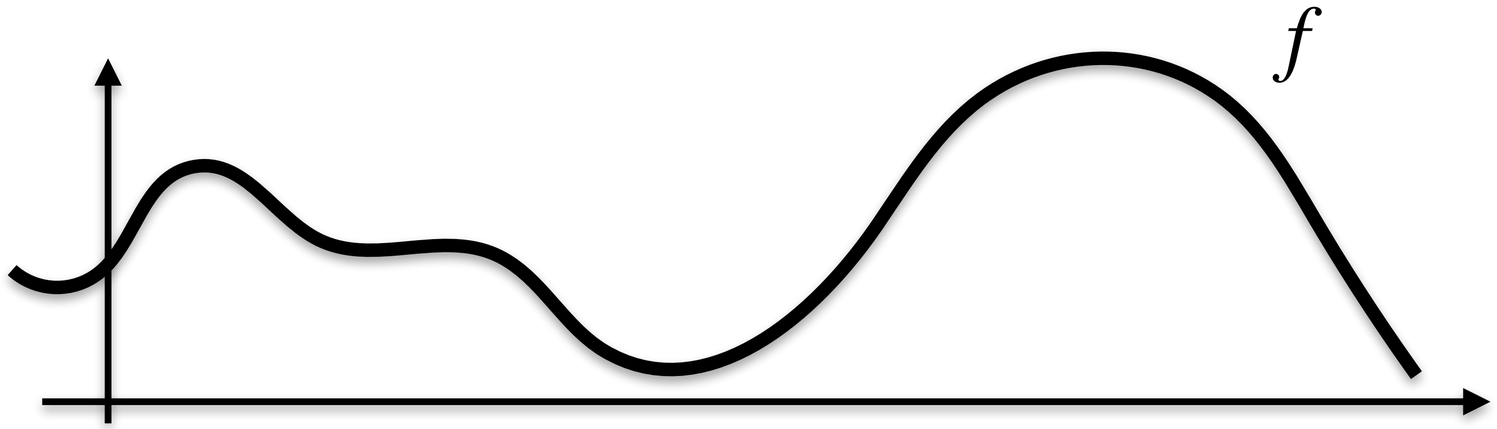

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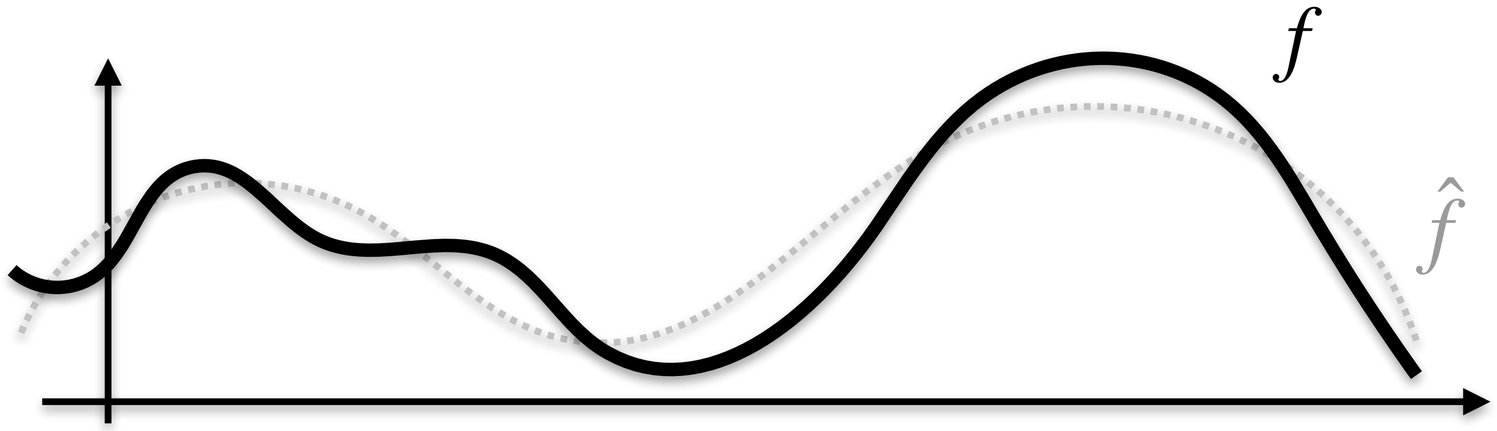

"piece-wise polynomial"

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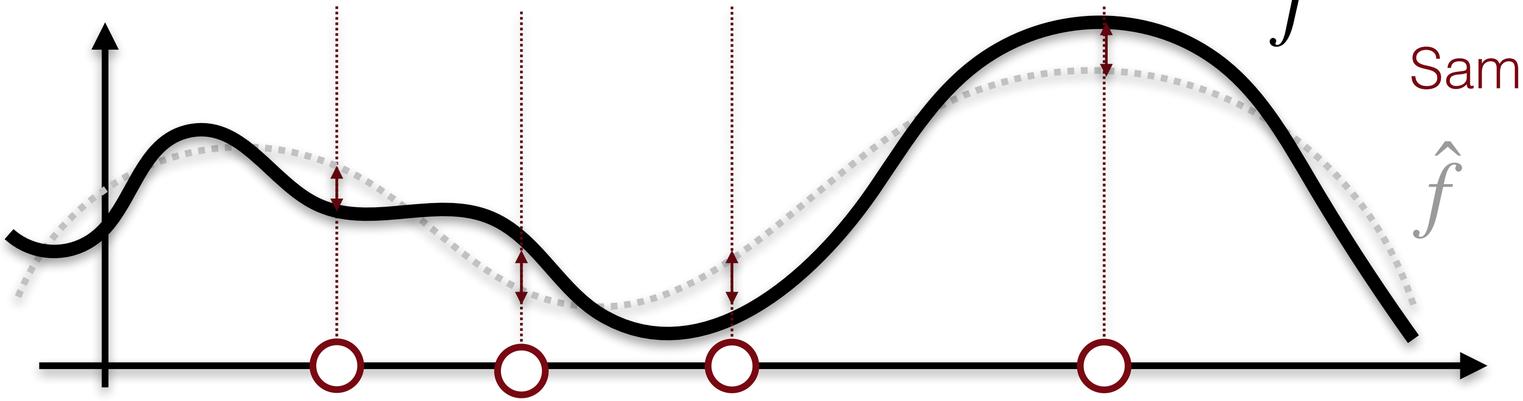

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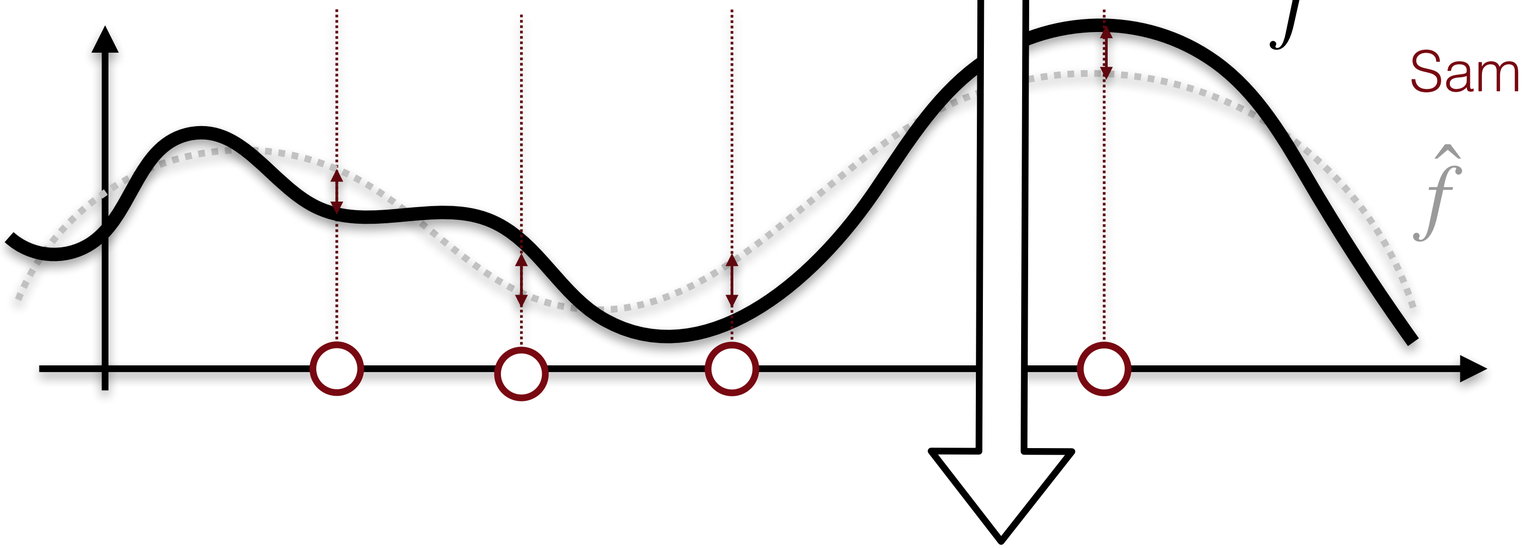

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(nonparametric-)"Regression-adjusted" control variate

“Modern” regression-adjusted cv

Trace estimation:

Hutch++ Lin 17 Numerische Mathematik Mewyer-Musco-Musco-Woodruff 20

Dimension Reduction:

Sobczyk and Luisier Neuips 22

Conformal Prediction:

Conformalized quantile regression Romano-Patterson-Candes Neurips 19

Gradient Estimation

Shi-Zhou-Hwang-Tisias-Mackey Neurips 22 outstanding paper

Causal Inference:

Double Robust estimation ….

“Qudrature” Rule (Today)

Bootstrapping, sketching….

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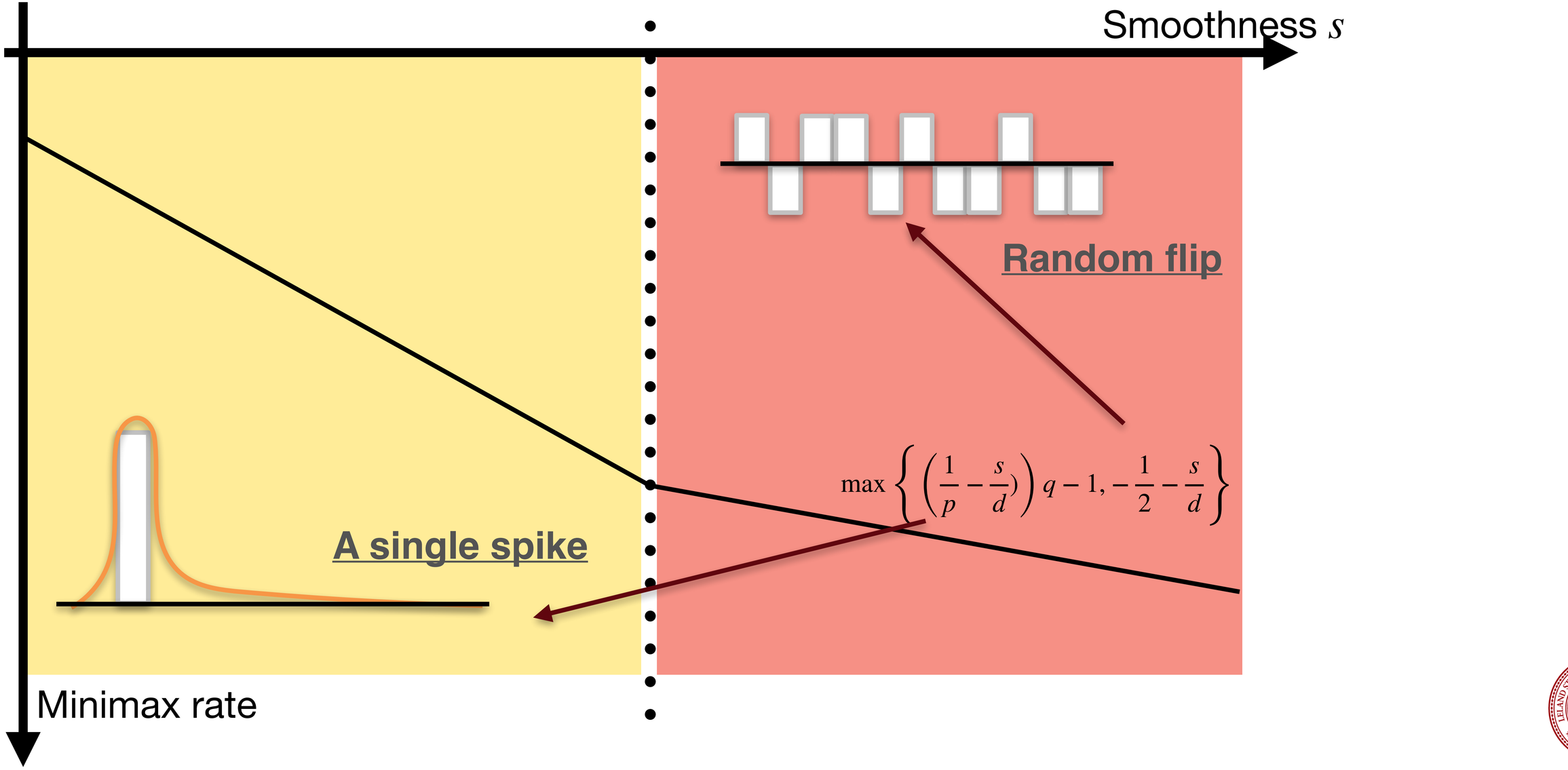

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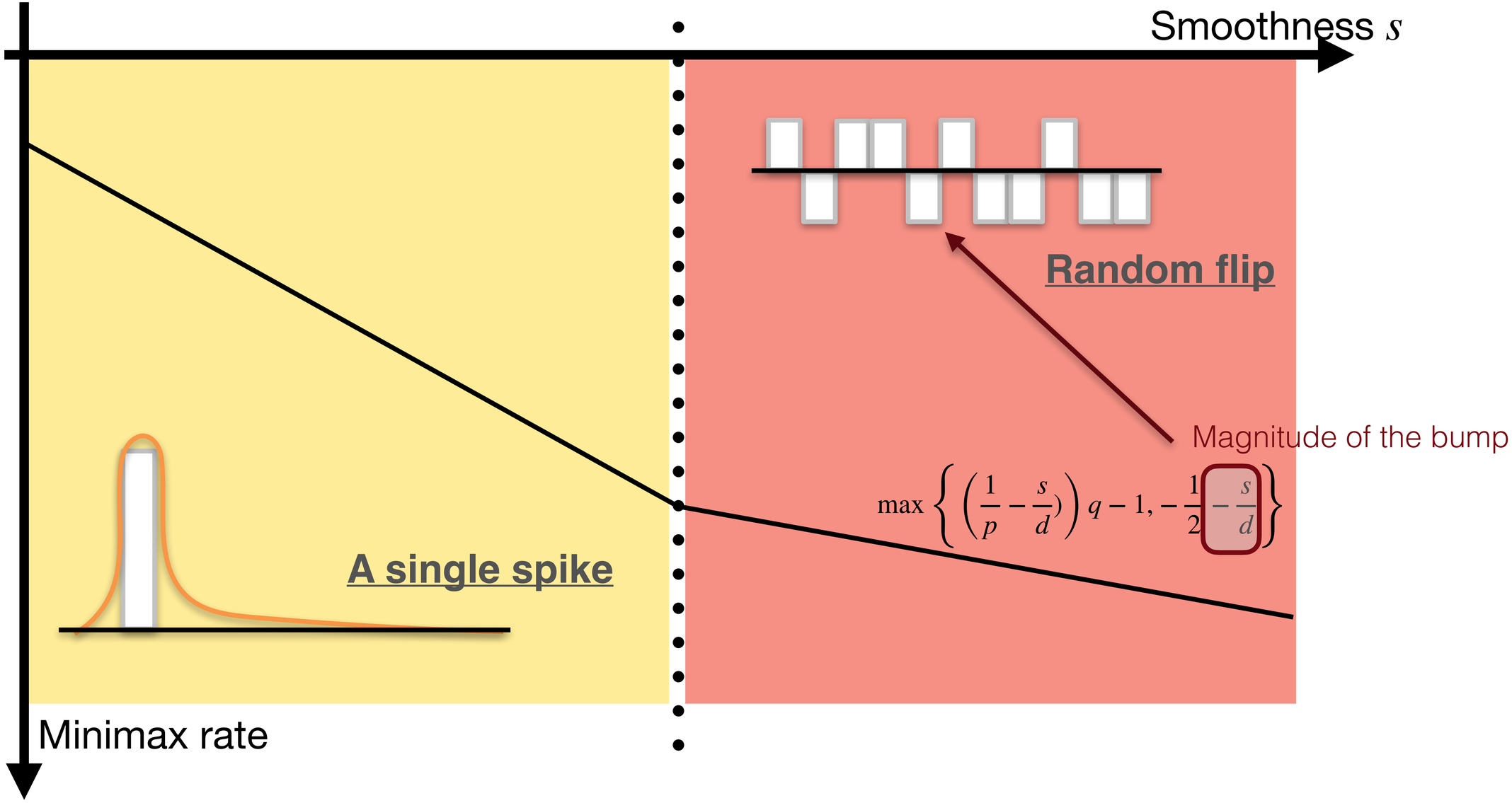

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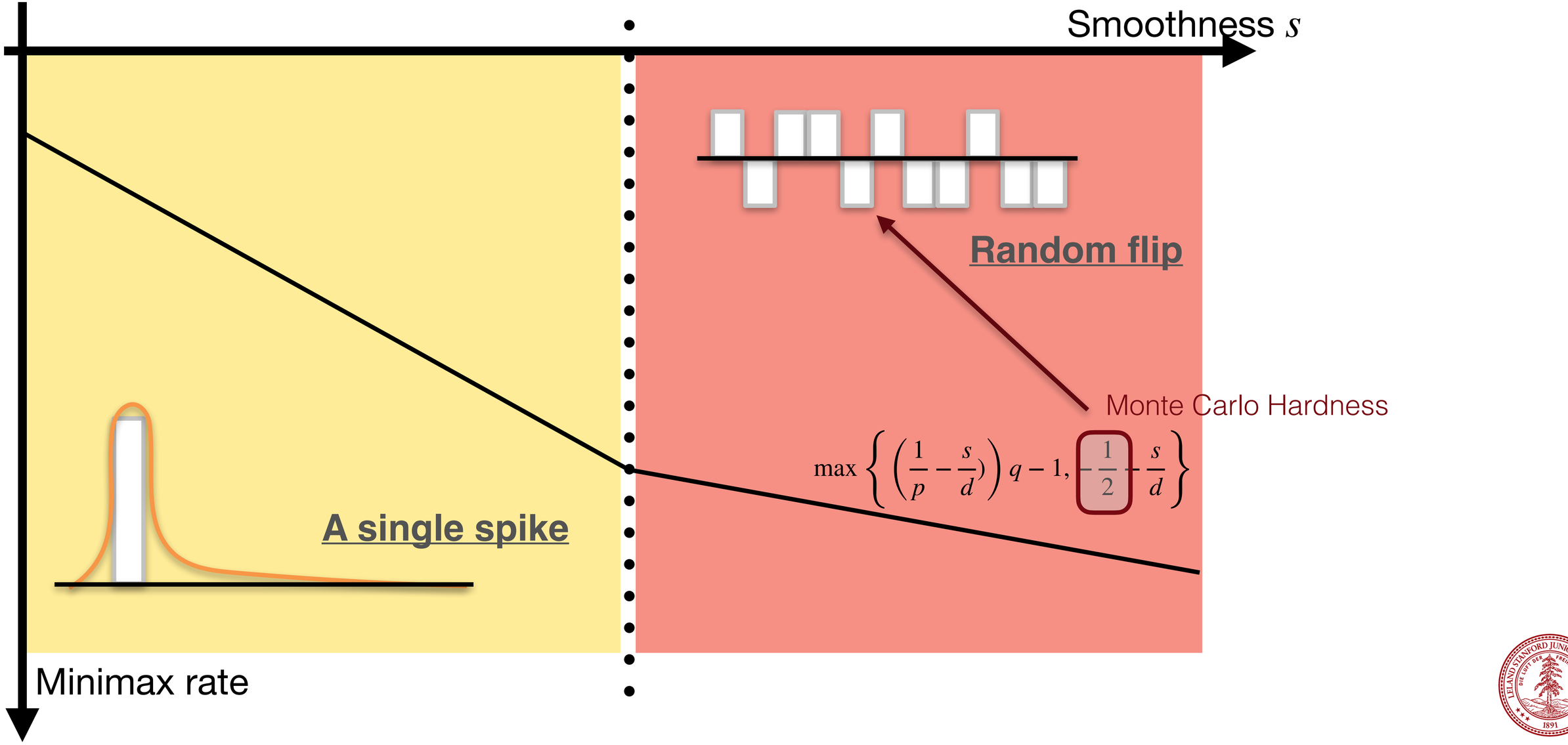

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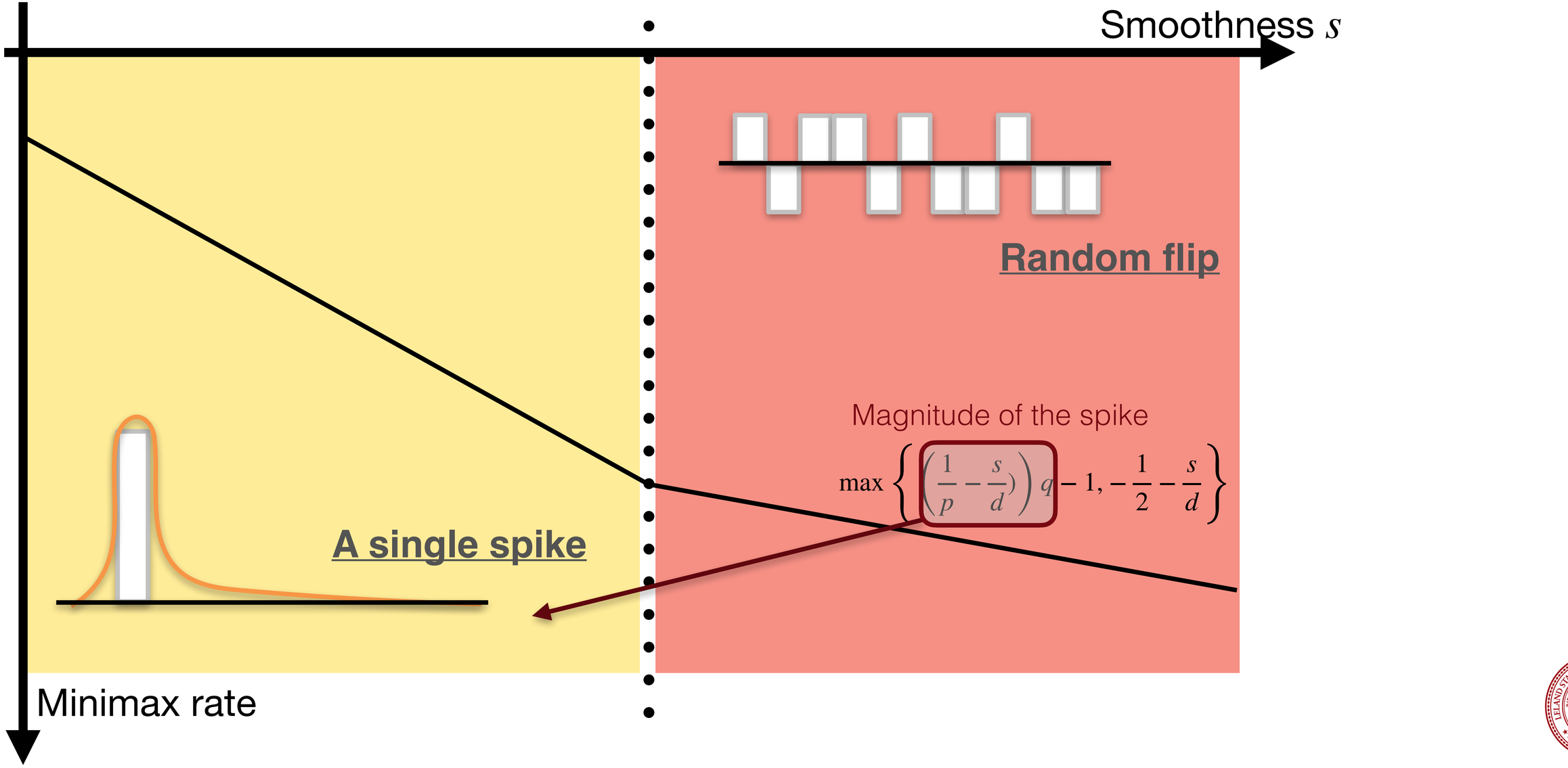

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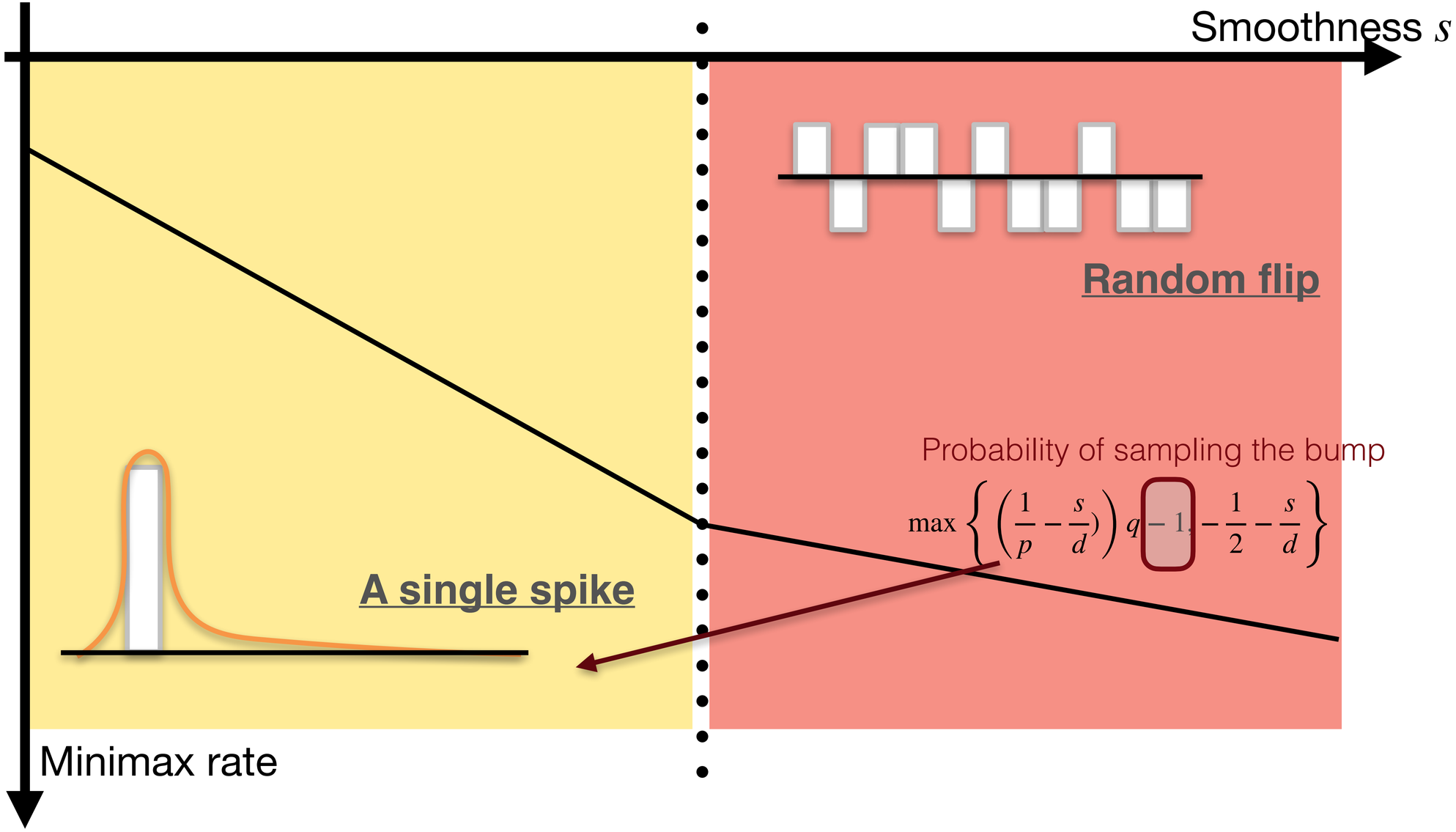

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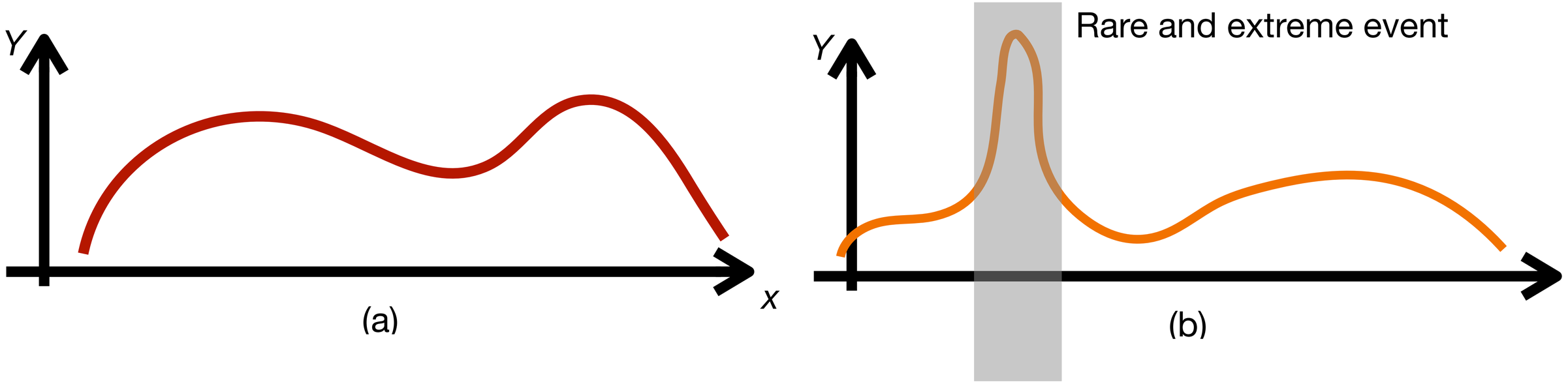

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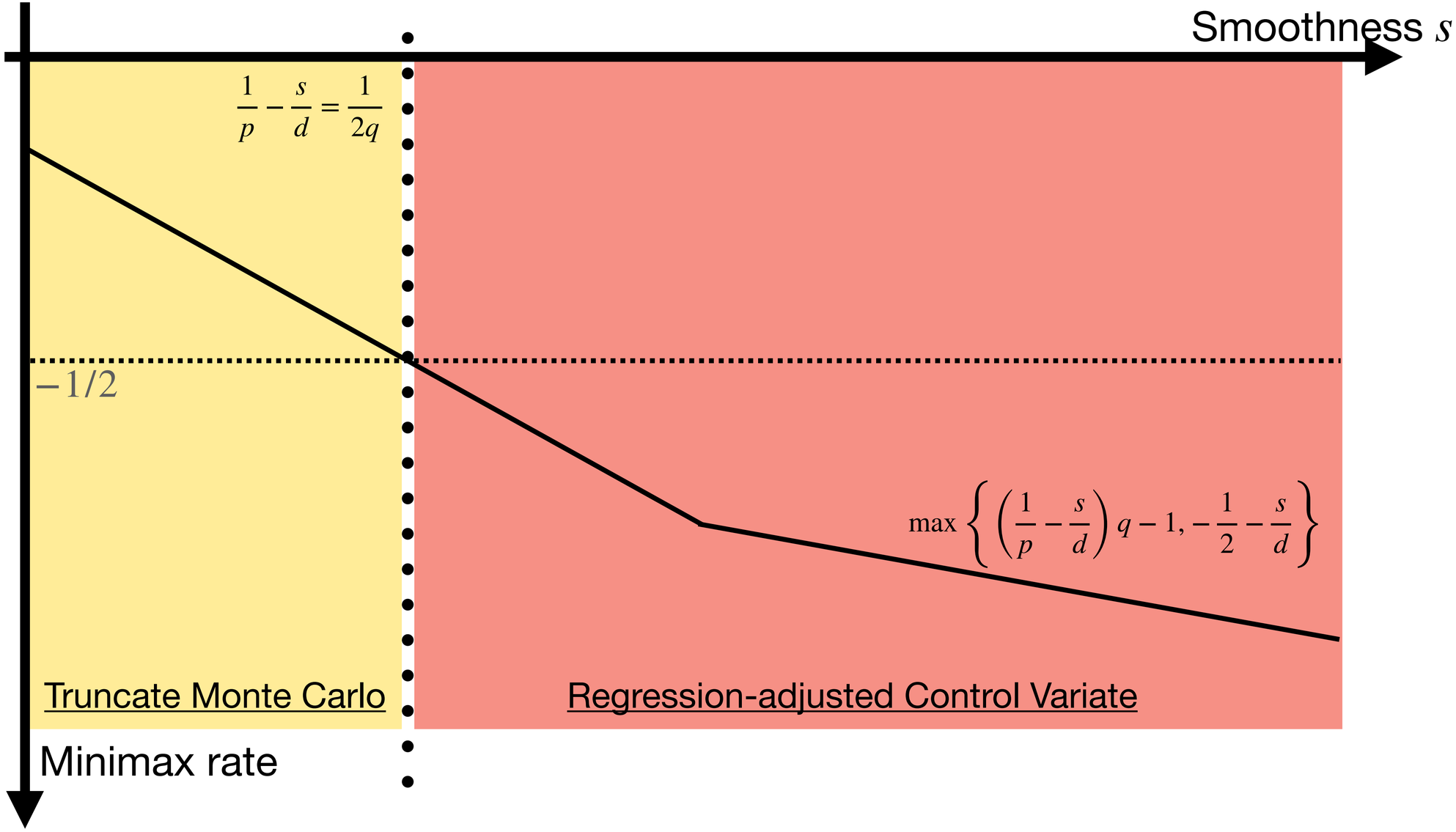

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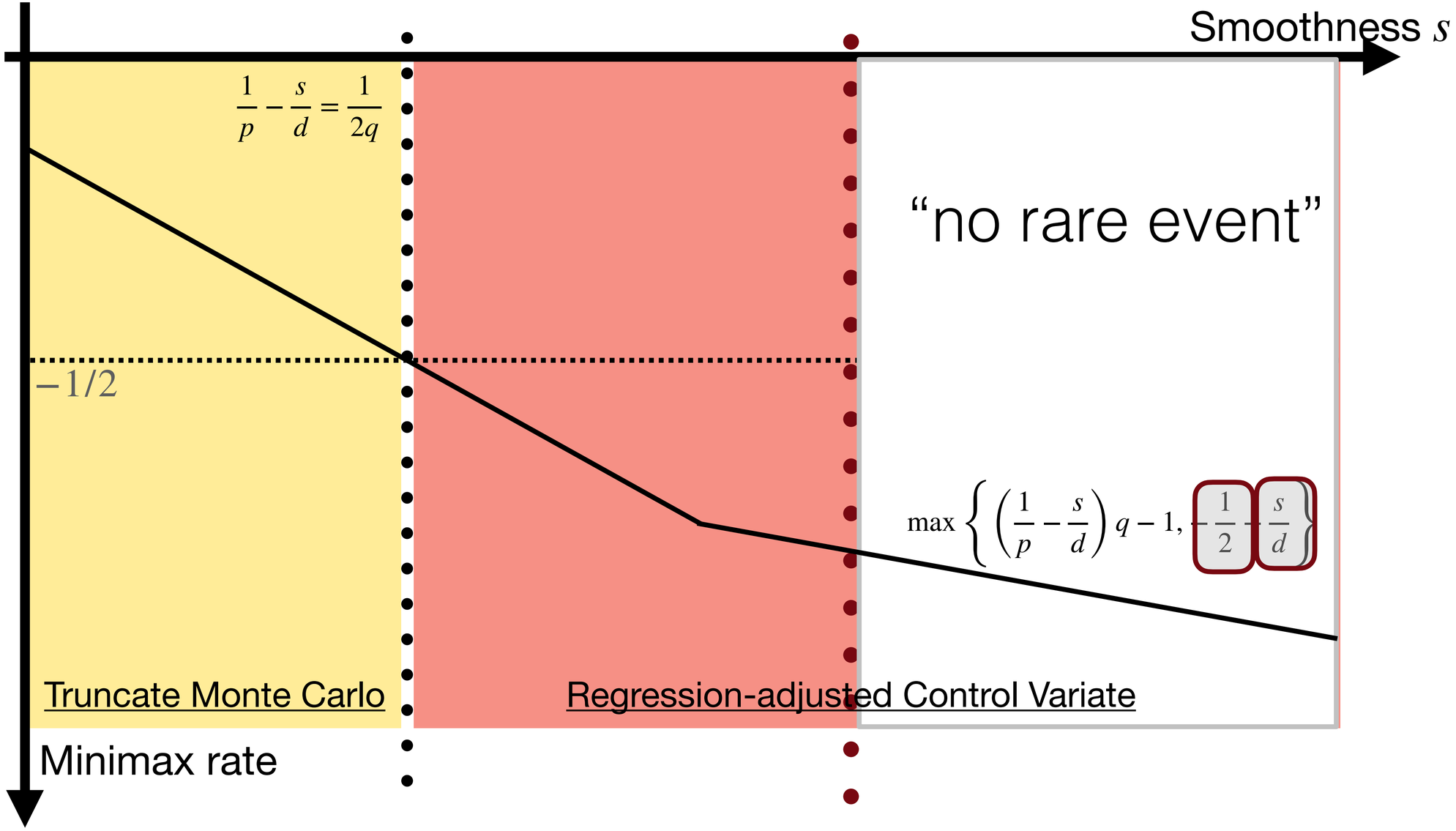

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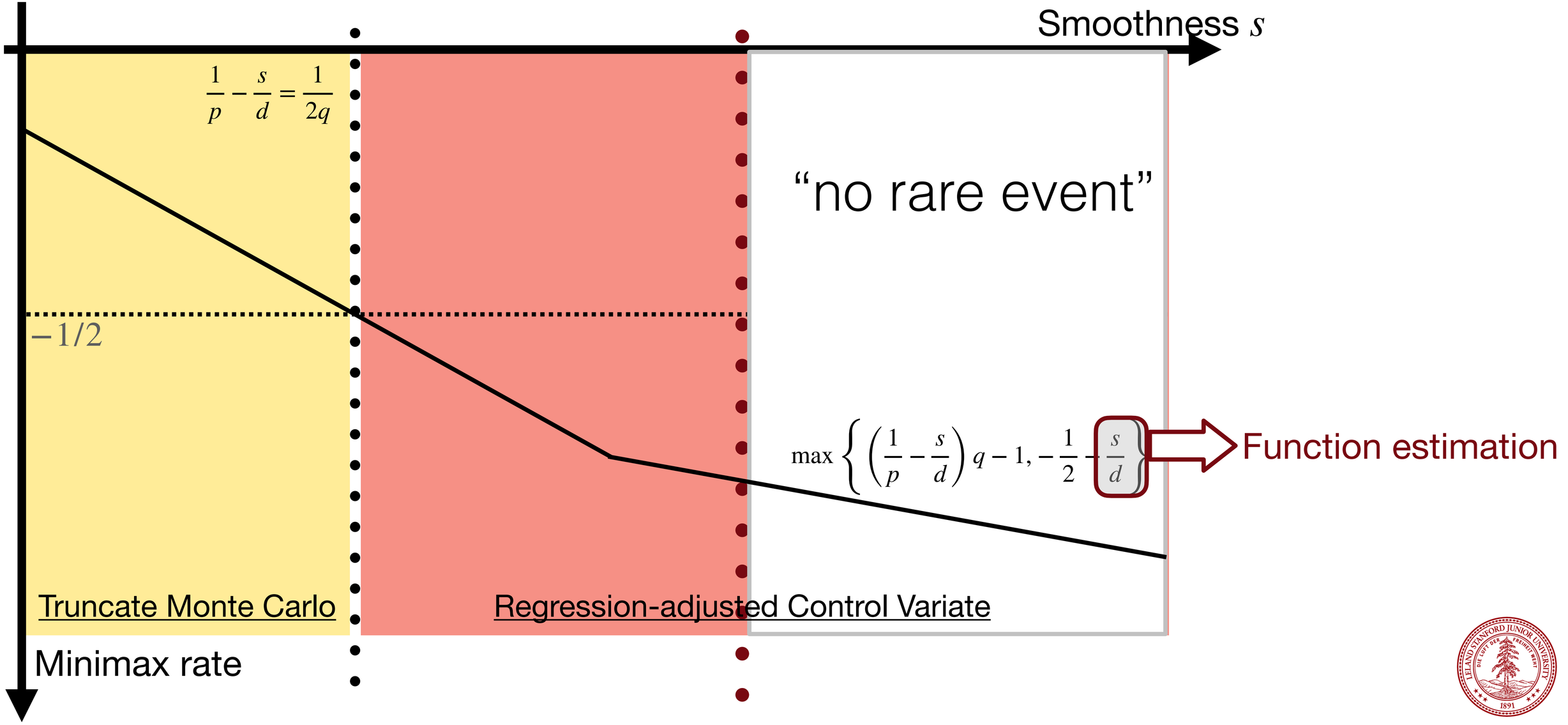

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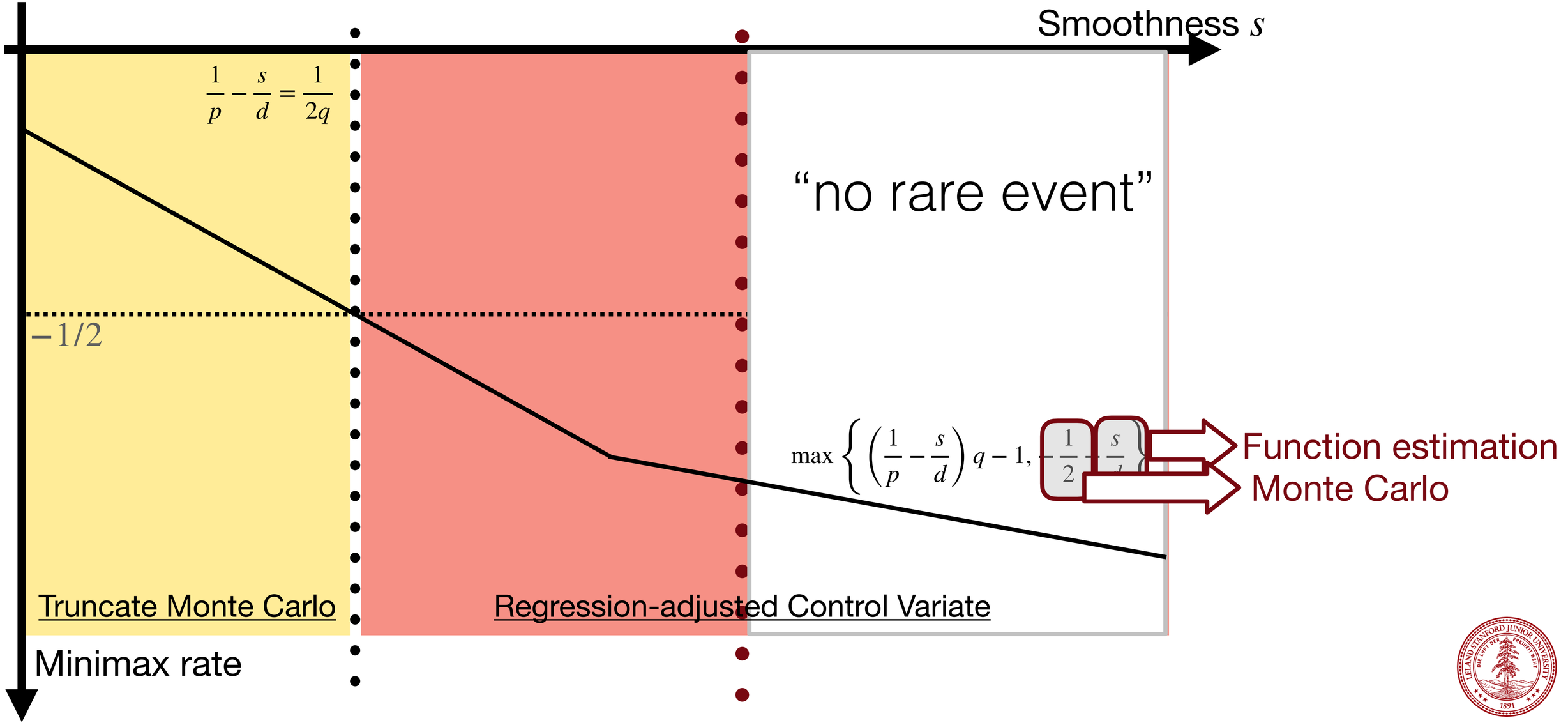

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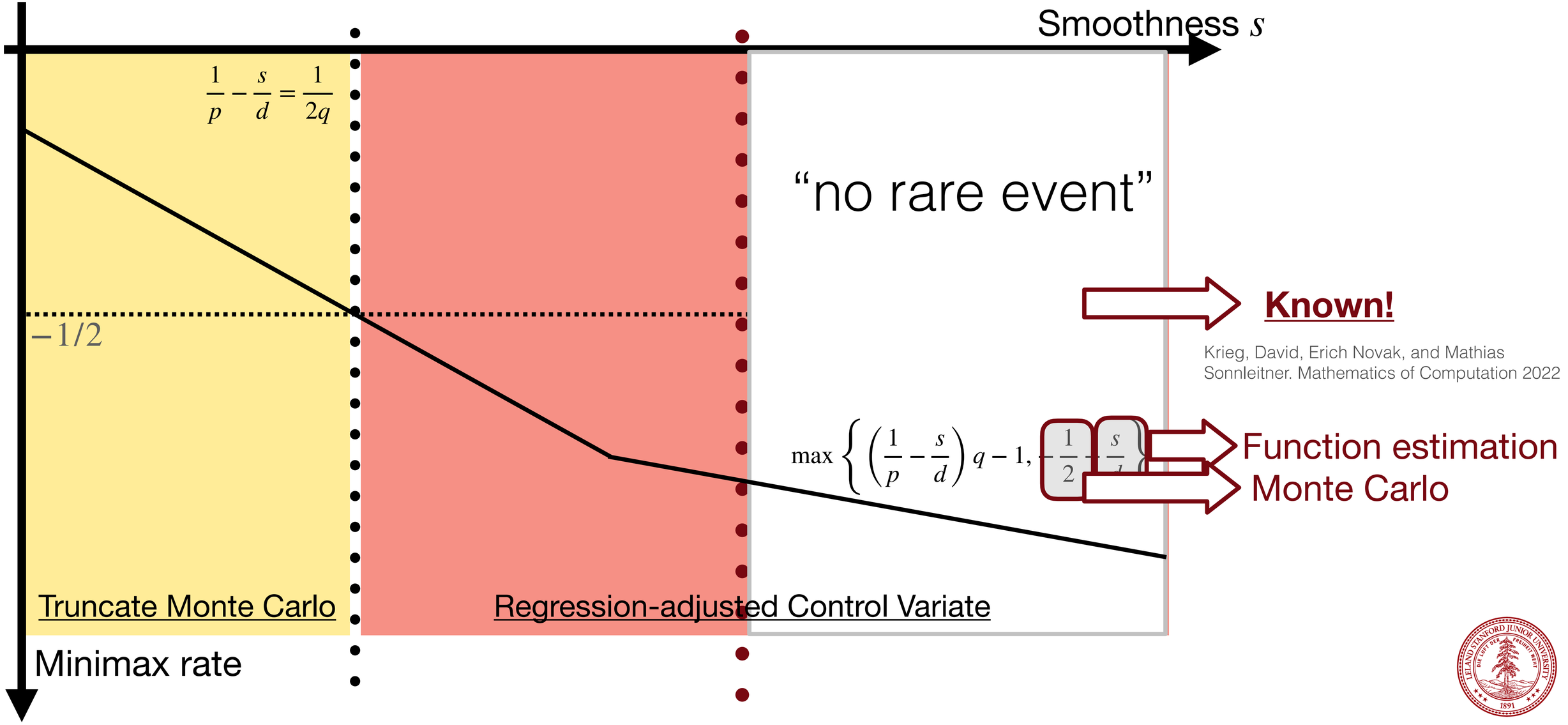

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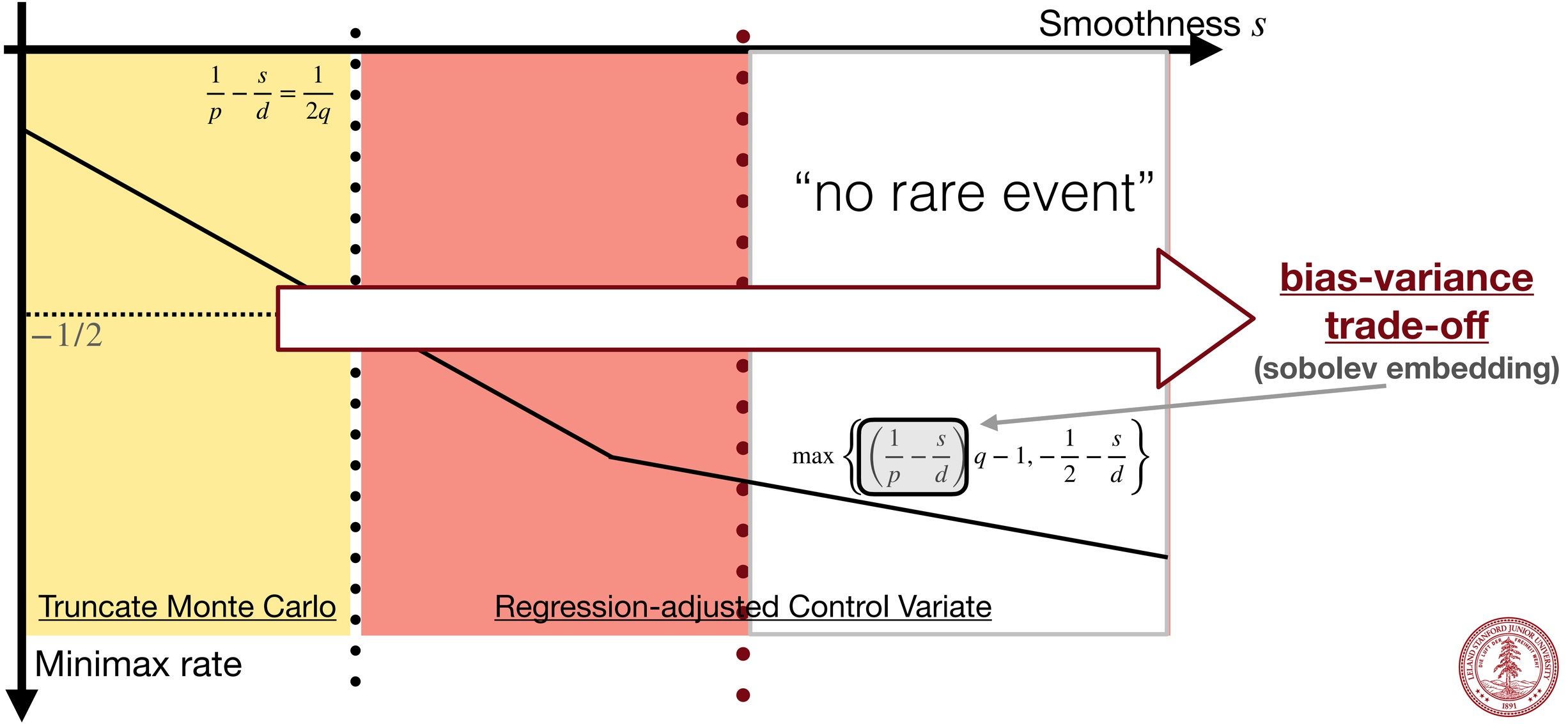

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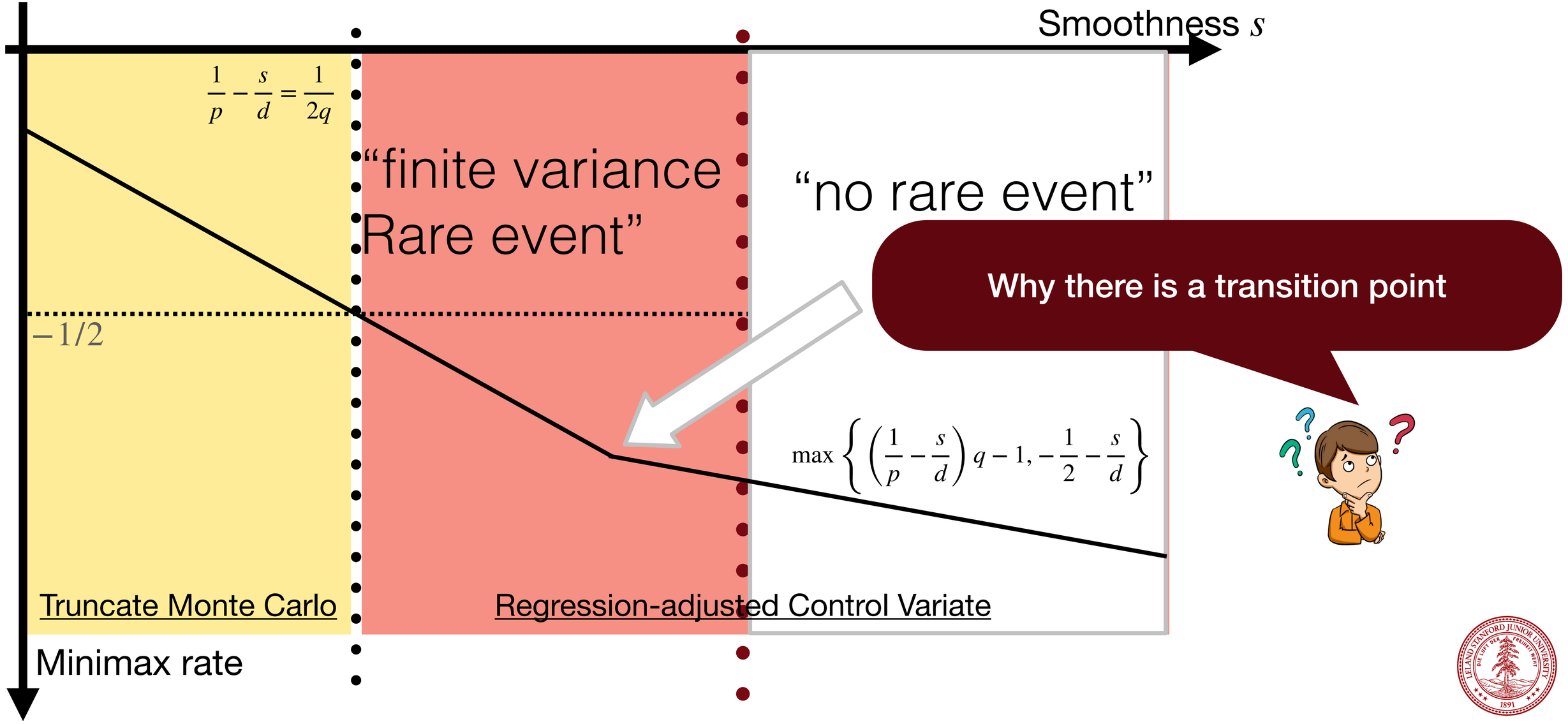

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"influnce function" (gradient) Error propagation

Semi-parametric efficiency…

Example Monte Carlo Estimate $\mathbb{E}_P f$ $\mathbb{E}_P f^q, f \in W^{s,p}$

Step 1 Using half of the data to estimate $\hat{f}$

Step 2 $\mathbb{E}_P f^q = \mathbb{E}_P(\hat{f})^q + \mathbb{E}_P(f^q - \hat{f}^q)$

Low order term

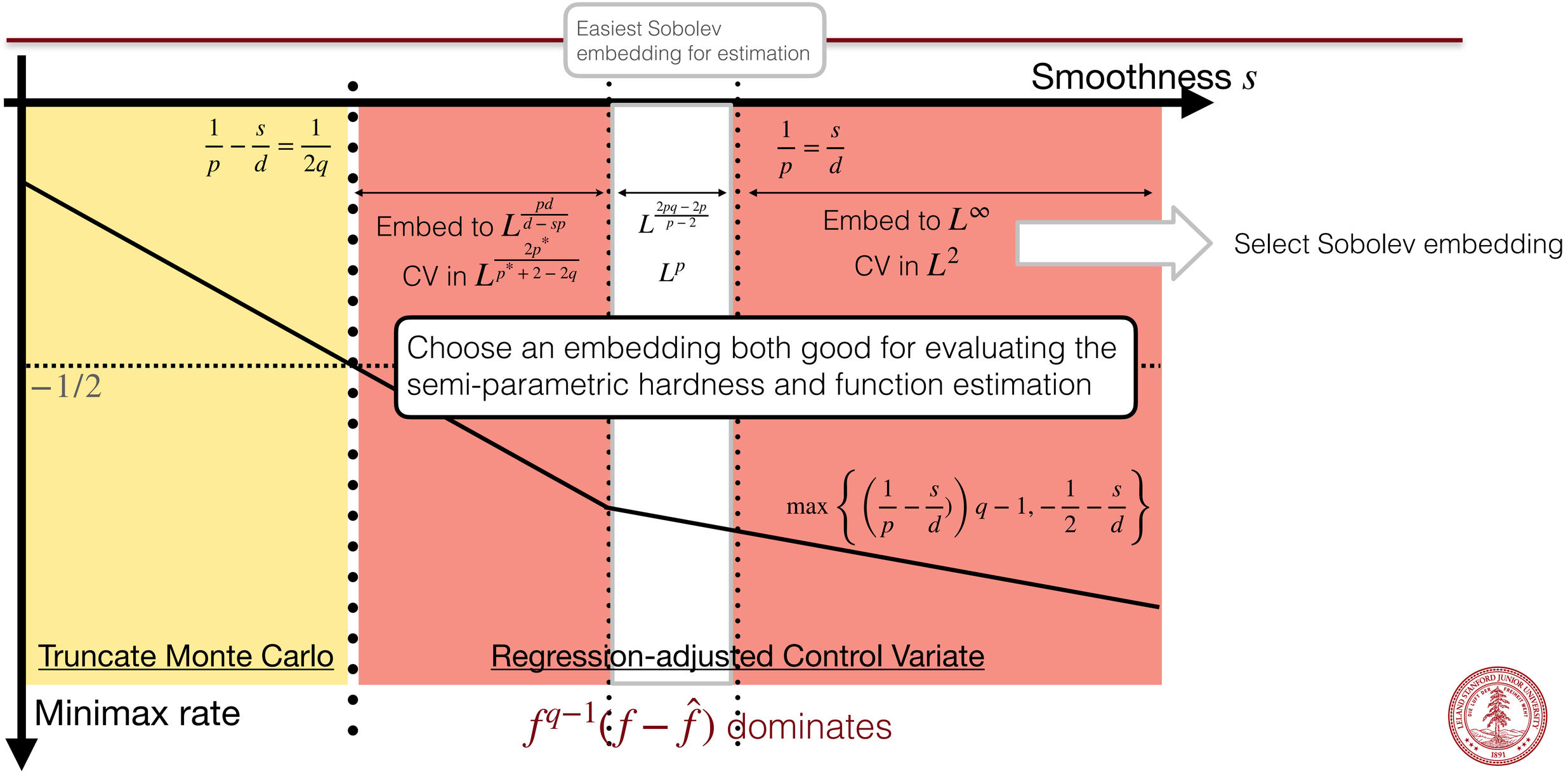
$f^{q-1}(f - \hat{f}) + (f - \hat{f})^q$

"influnce function" (gradient)

Embed f^{q-1} and $f - \hat{f}$ into "dual" space

How to select the sobolev emebedding

Tricky part of the Proof:select embedding



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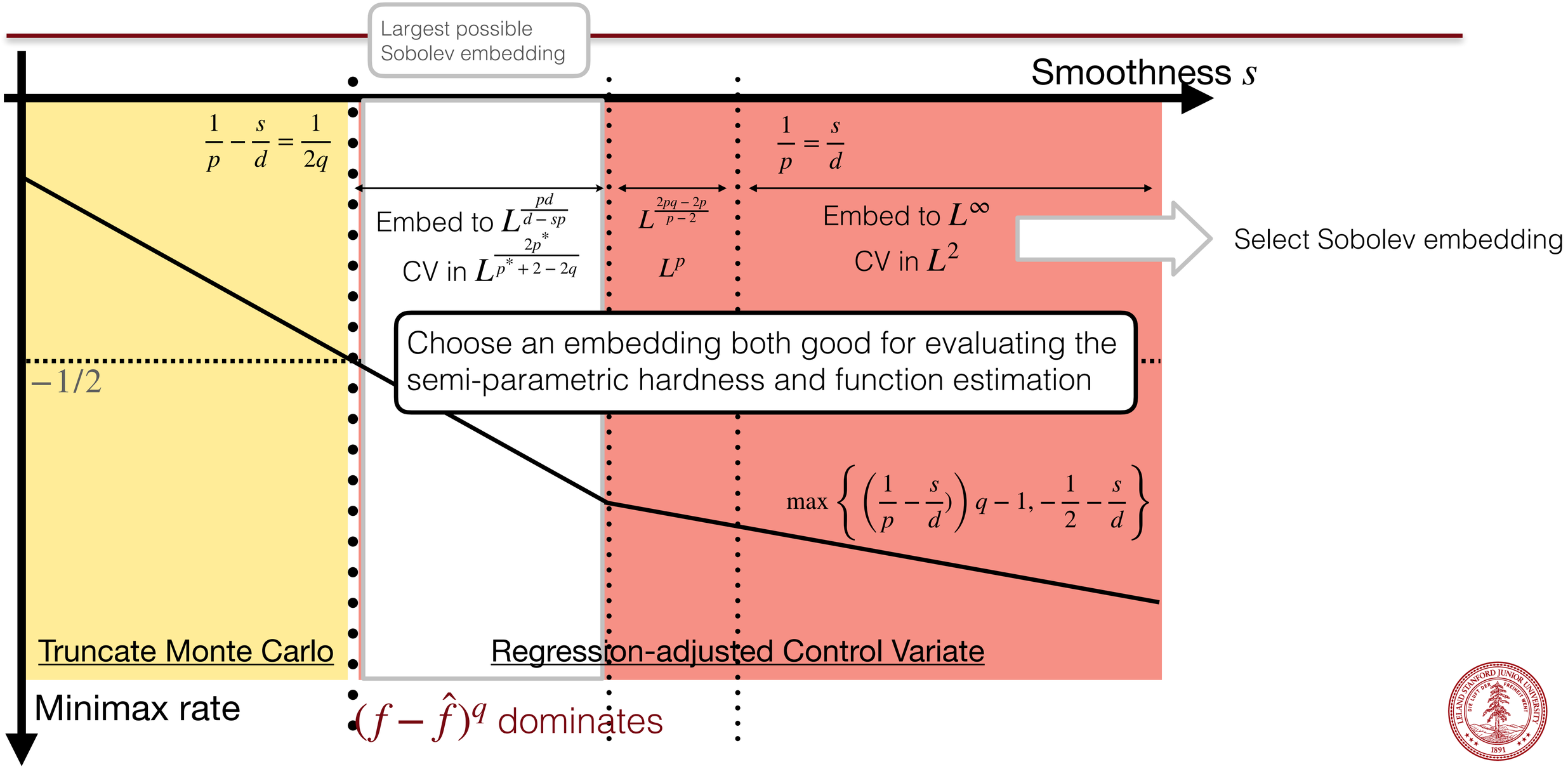
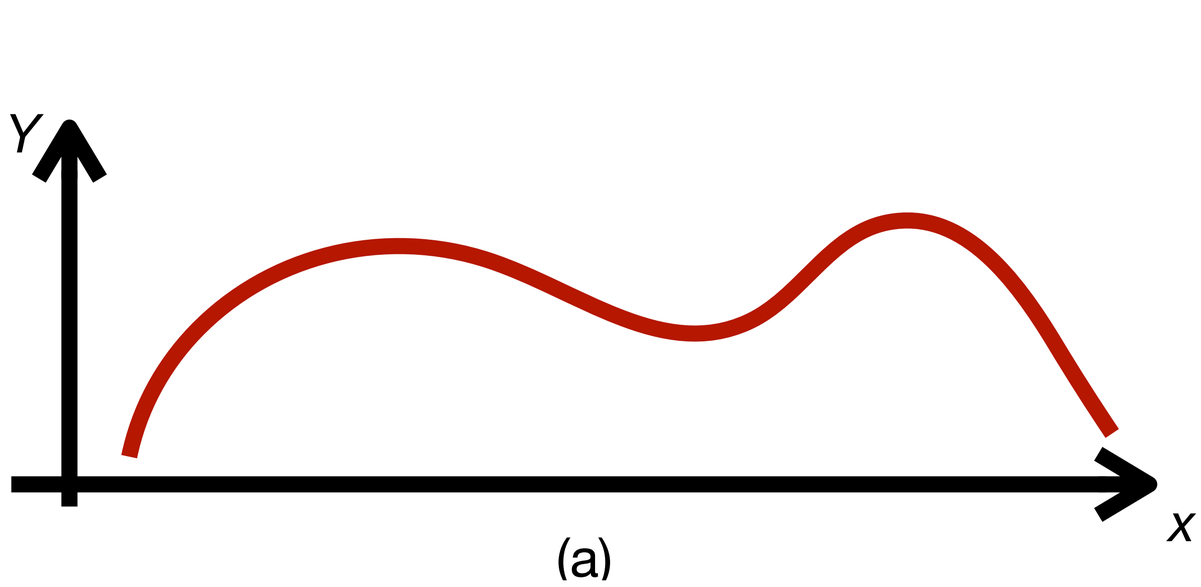
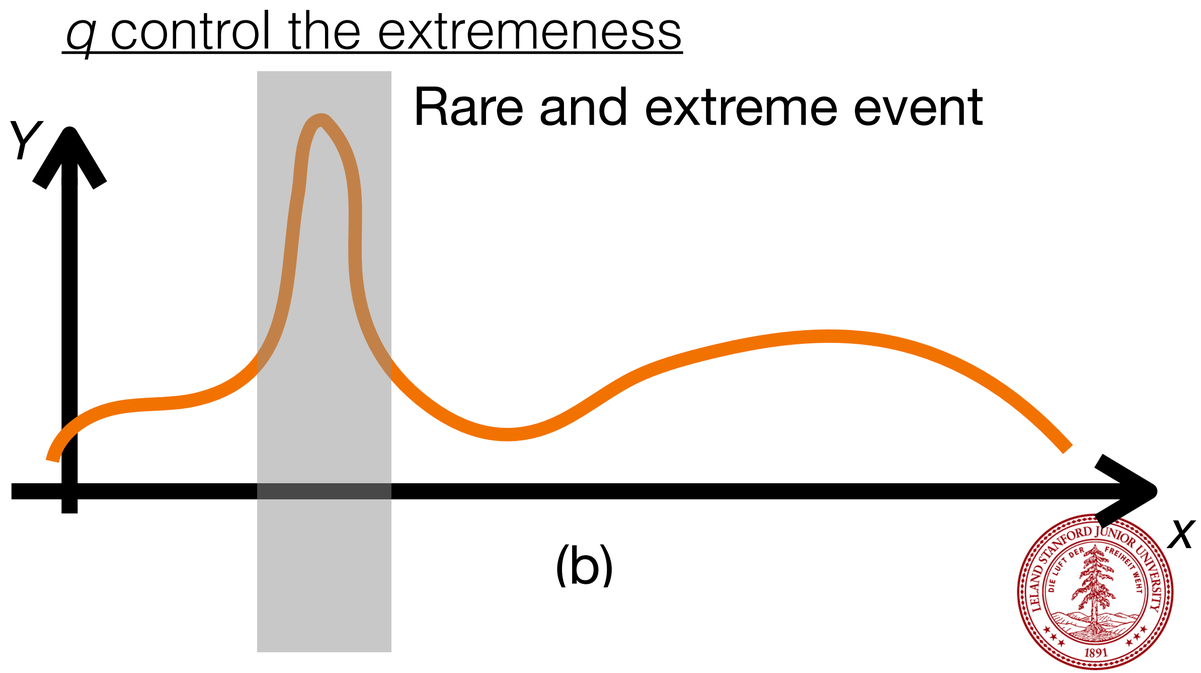


Take home message

a) Statistical optimal regression is the optimal control variate
b) It helps only if there isn't a hard to simulate (infinite variance) Rare and extreme event





Optimal (Linear) Operator Learning

ICLR 2023 (spotlight)

$$Au = f$$

Reconstruct u with observation of f: $\{x_i, f(x_i)\}$

Recover parameter θ in Model A_θ

Learn the model A from data pair $\{u_i, f_i\}$

(Linear) Operator Learning

Can we learn the mapping from infinite dimensional space to infinite dimensional space?

Functional data analysis!

Data are function pairs $\{u_i, f_i\}_{i=1}^n$

Aim Learn a mapping from function space to function space

u_i f_i

Let's first understanding the linear case!

Linear Operator itself is important still…

Learn $p(Y \mid X)$ via learning the linear operator

$$p_{\textbf{in}}(x) \to p_{\textbf{out}}(y) := \int p(y \mid x) p_{\textbf{in}}(x) dx$$

*Distribution is **infinite dimensional***

Distribution of x → Distribution of y

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Instrumental variable regression
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Time series modeling
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Generator/Koopman Operator/CME

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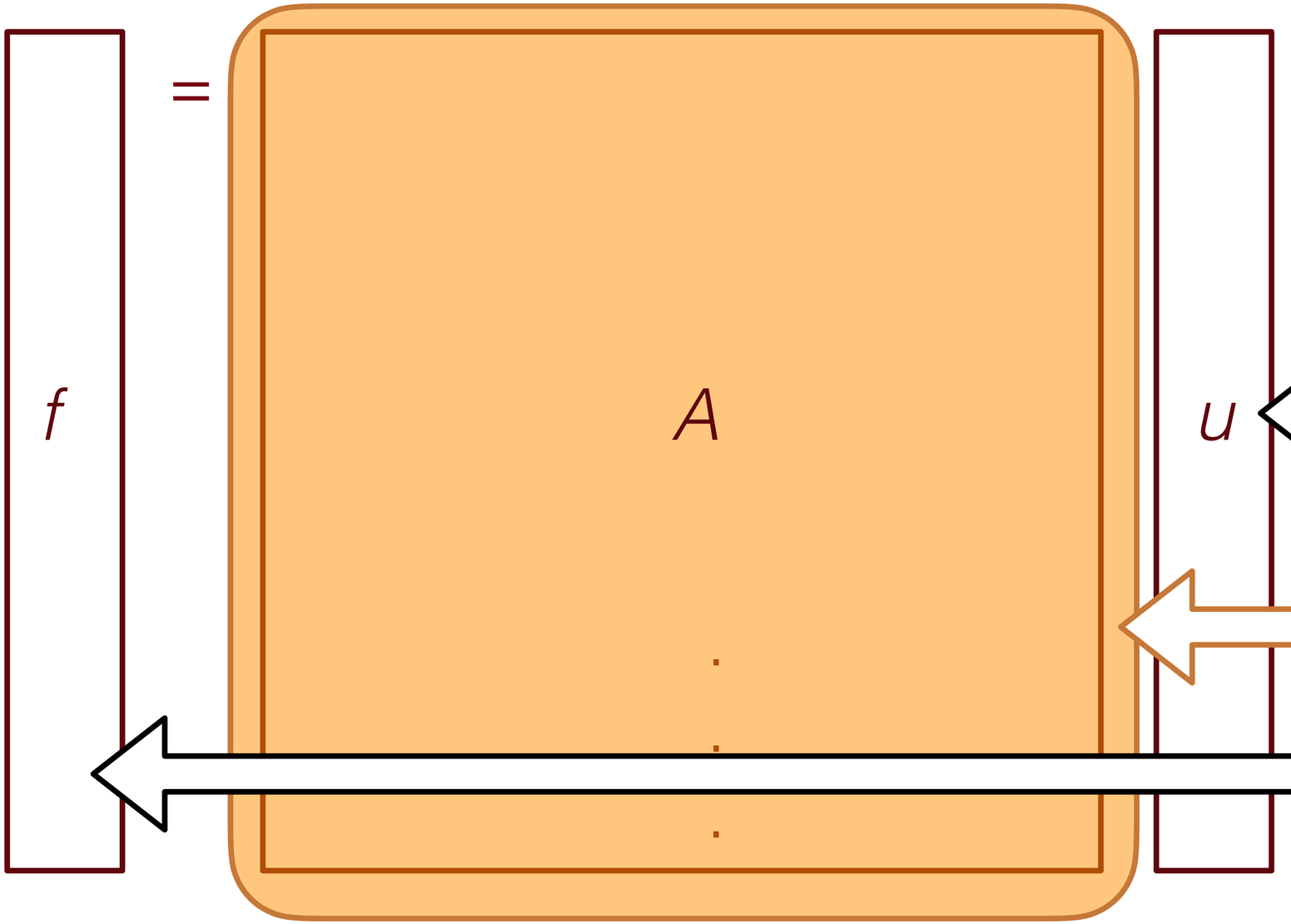


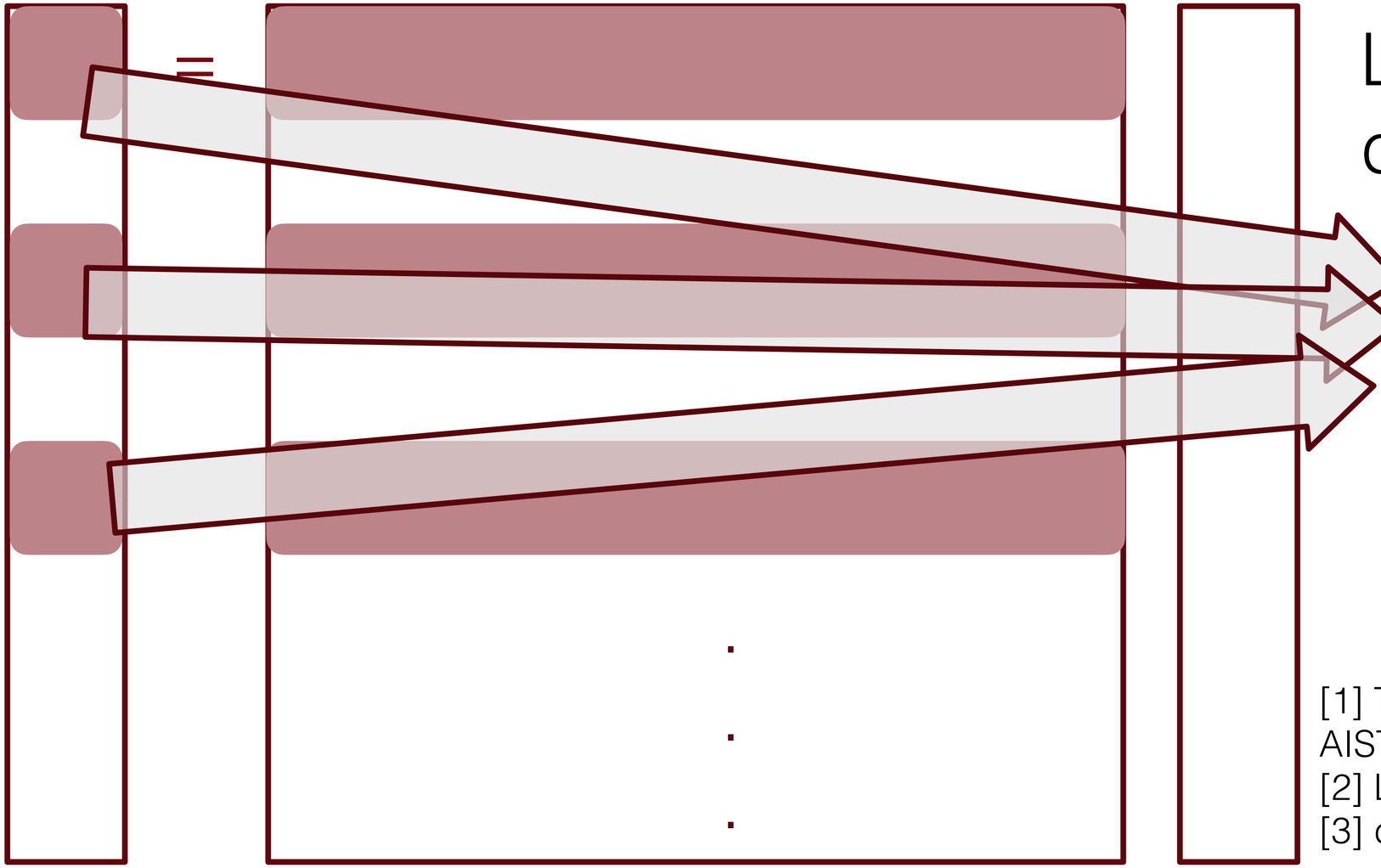
Learning “infinite-dimension” matrix

Randomly sampled

Aim to learn

Data collected

Why infinite dimensional operator is hard



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If every row have O(1) variance,
The total variance is ∞

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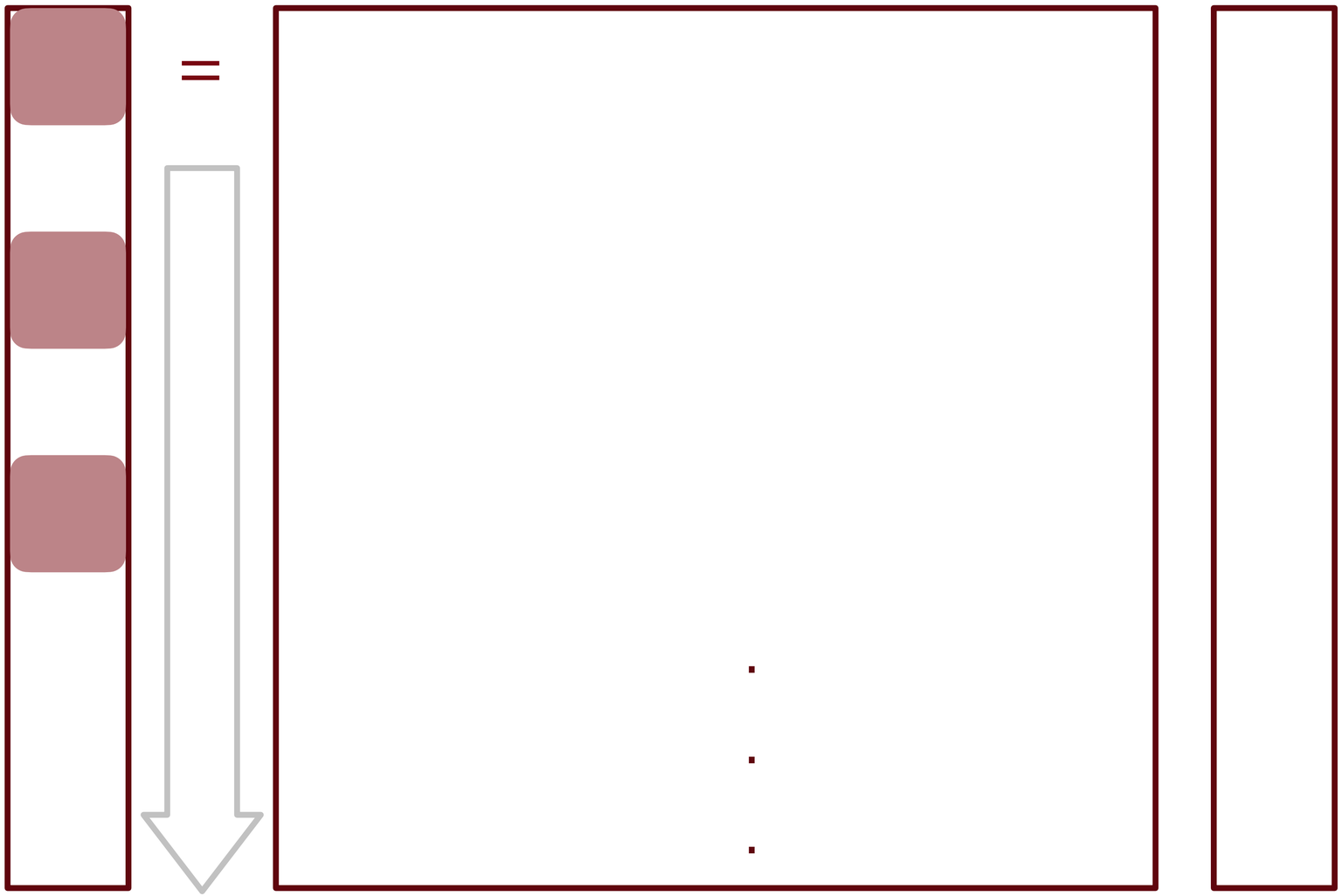

Fast Variance Decay

Learning “infinite-dimension” matrix

Previous Work:
Assume Fast Eigen Decay to ensure finite variance.

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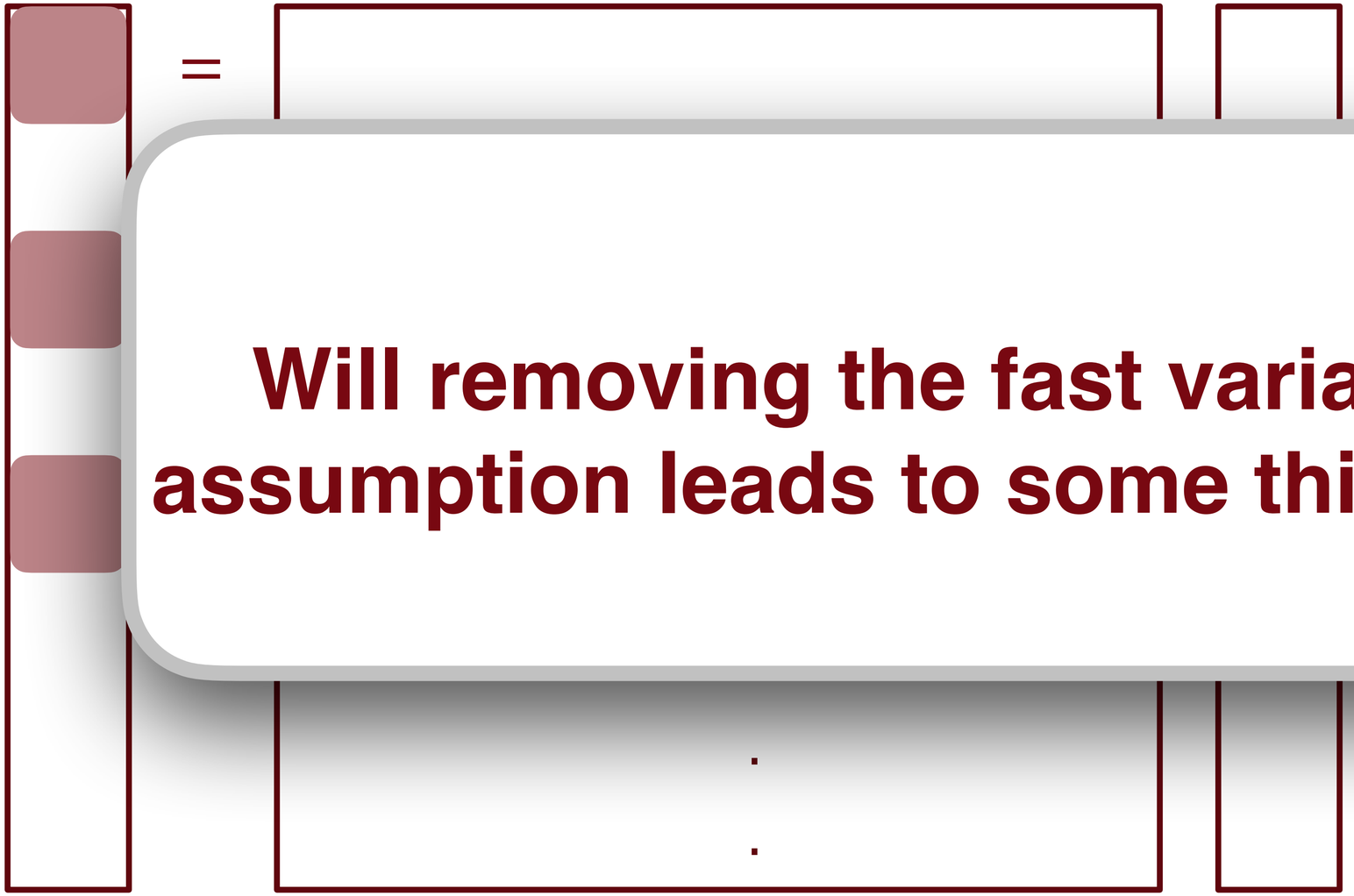

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Will removing the fast variance decay assumption leads to some thing different?

Decay
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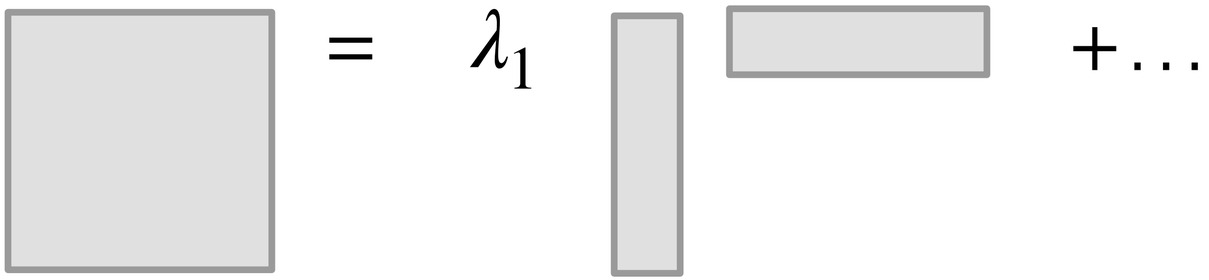
Spaces we are interested

Hilbert space have finite variance as finite dimensional space



Eigen decomposition

$$K(x,y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n e_n(u) e_n(v)$$

Eigen decay $\lambda_n \propto n^{-\frac{1}{p}}$

Ensures finite variance

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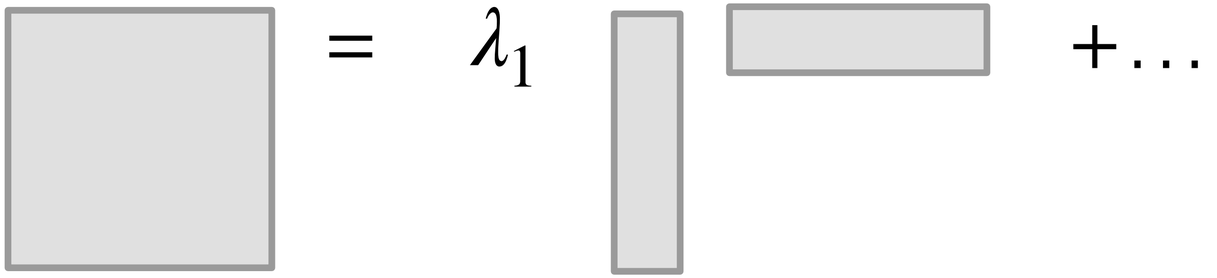

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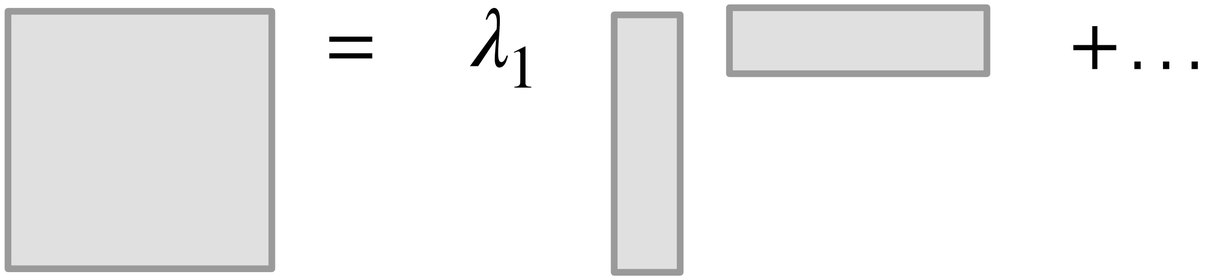

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l_2 ⟺ RKHS

$\beta = 0$ $\beta = 1$

Problem Formulation

H^β is a larger space

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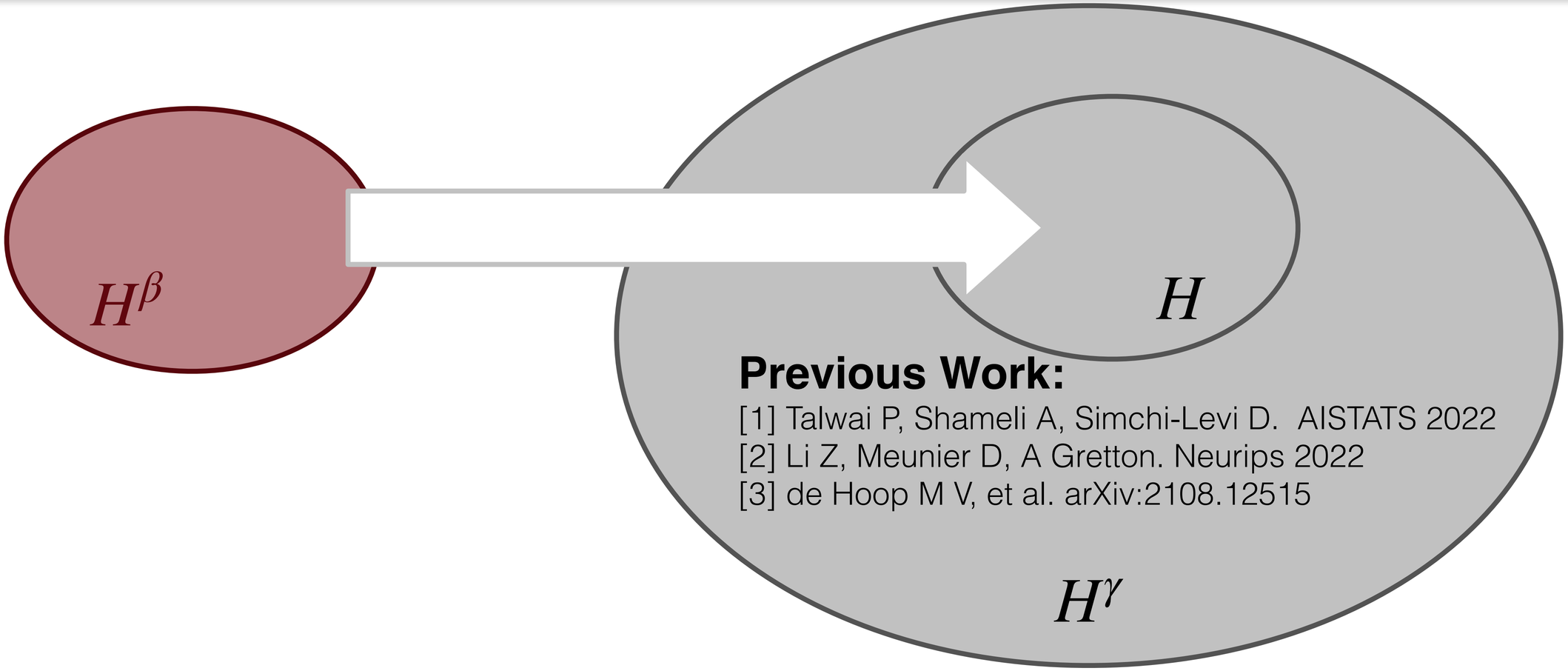
Same technique as $H^\beta \to \mathbb{R}$ for ridge regression

Problem Formulation

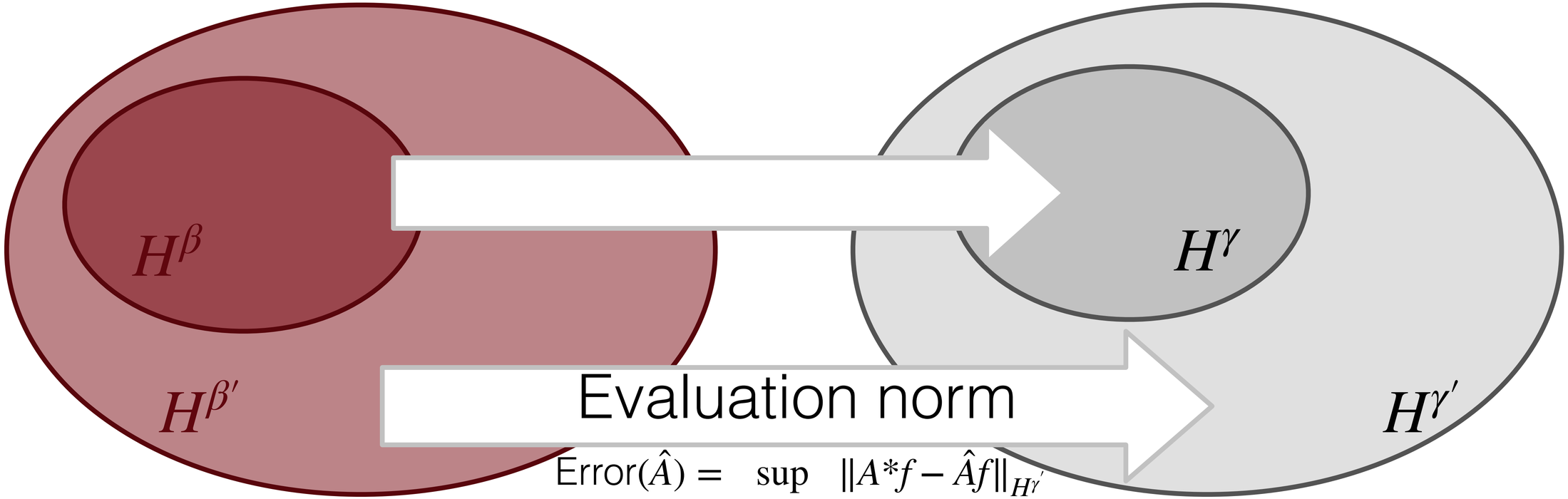


How the optimal rate depend on γ (output space complexity)?
Is the previous algorithm still Optimal?

Problem Formulation

Learn an operator A^* with bounded $\|\cdot\|_{H^\beta \to H^\gamma}$ norm
Respect to $\|\cdot\|_{H^{\beta'} \to H^{\gamma'}}$

Hilbert-schmidt norm



$$\text{Error}(\hat{A}) = \sup_{\|f\|_{H^\beta} \leq 1} \|A^* f - \hat{A} f\|_{H^\gamma}$$

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With $\boldsymbol{N}$ random observations

Same rate as previous work
p : Eigen-decay of RKHS

New Rate in the literature caused by infinite dimensional output

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Reason we introduce the test norm

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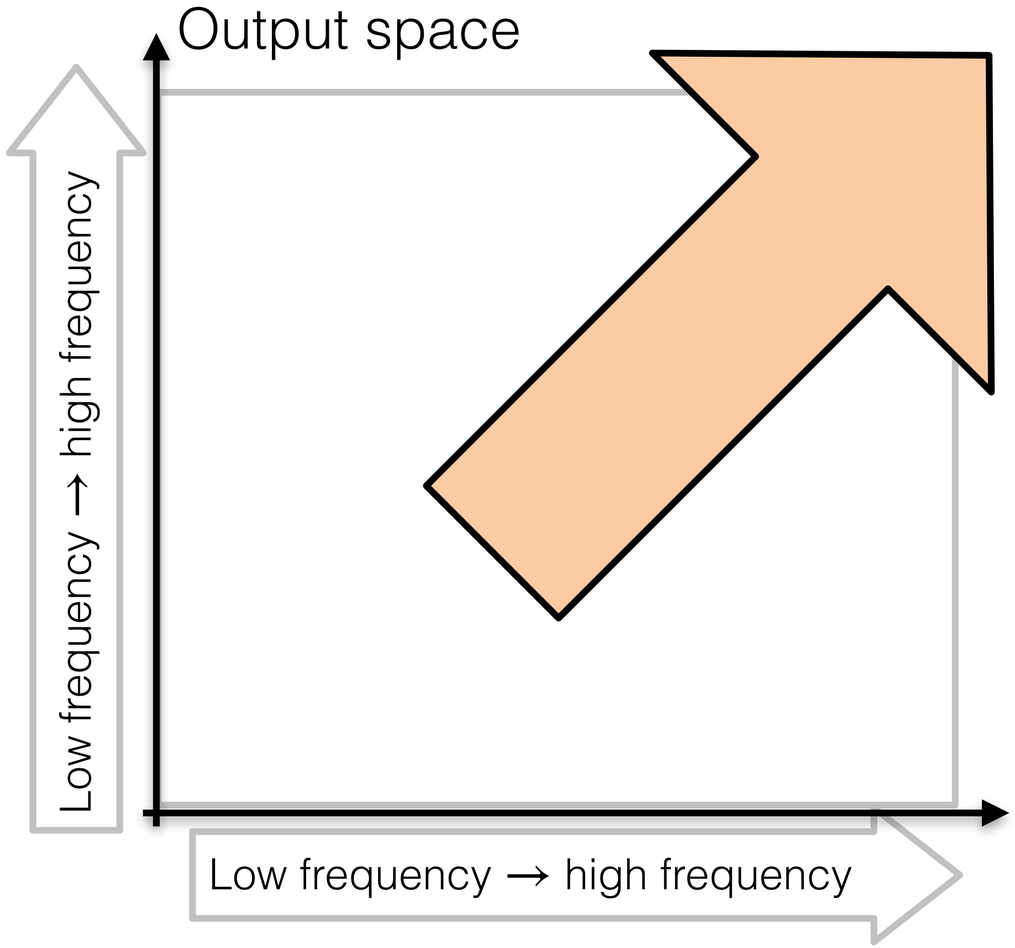
With ***N*** random observations

A magic result, can you explain it to me in a simple way?

Consider the matrix view…

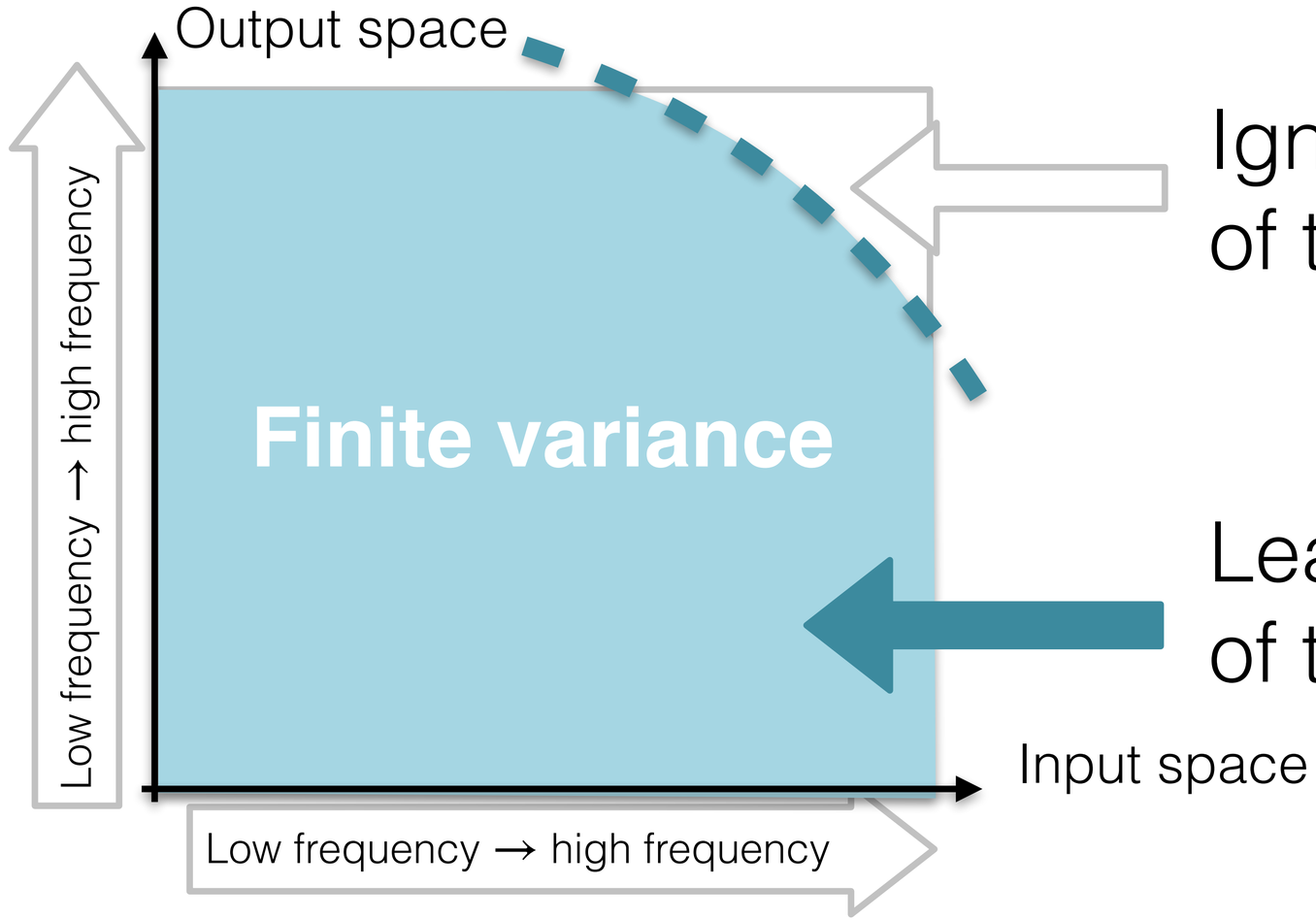
Operator is an “infinite” dimensional “matrix”



Higher Variance but Smaller Bias

Bias Variance Tradeoff

What is needed to achieve N^{θ} learning rate



Ignore part of the matrix

Learn part of the matrix

"Trade off"

Bias
approximation error

+

Variance

Optimal shape for Bias Variance Trade Off

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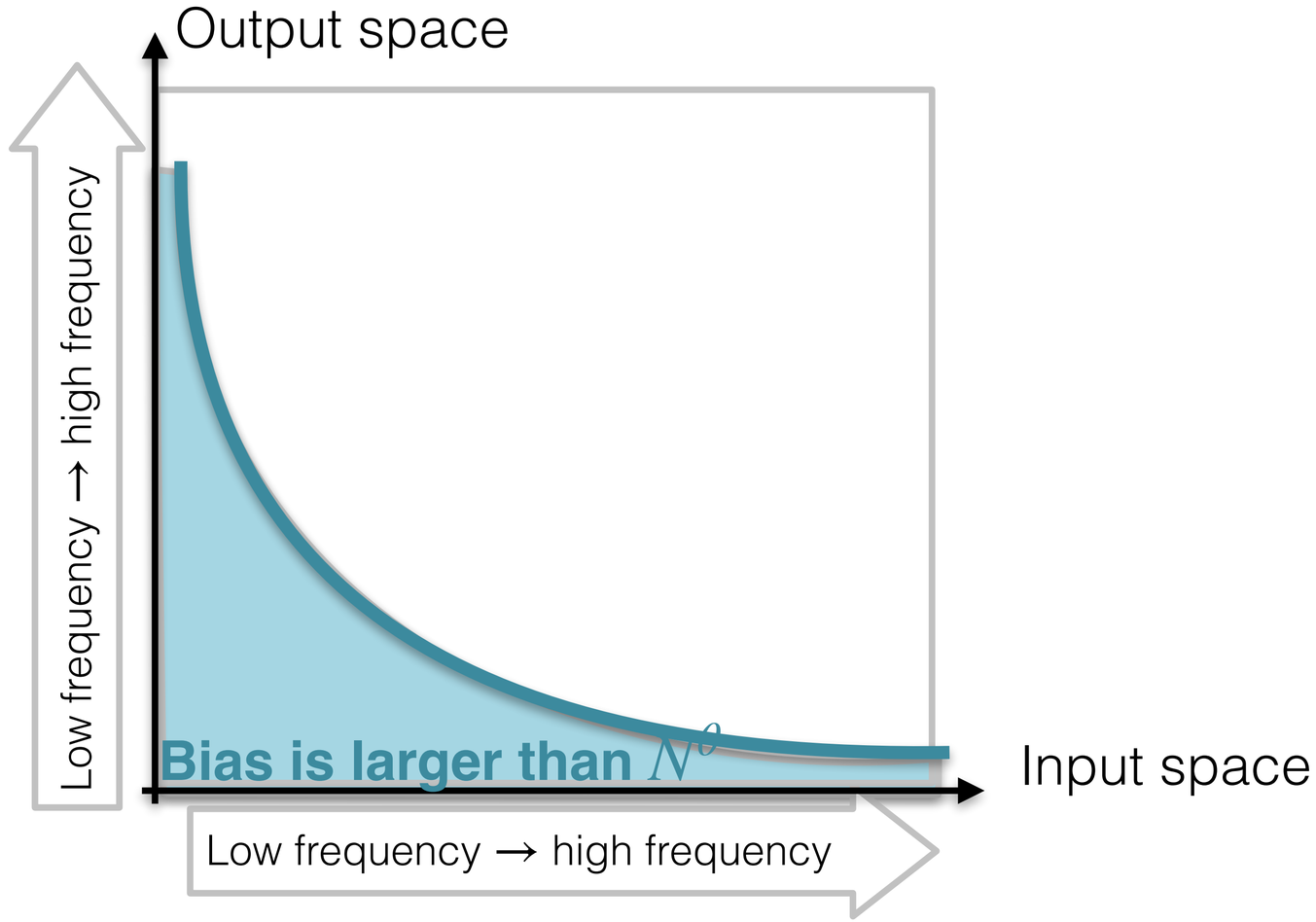

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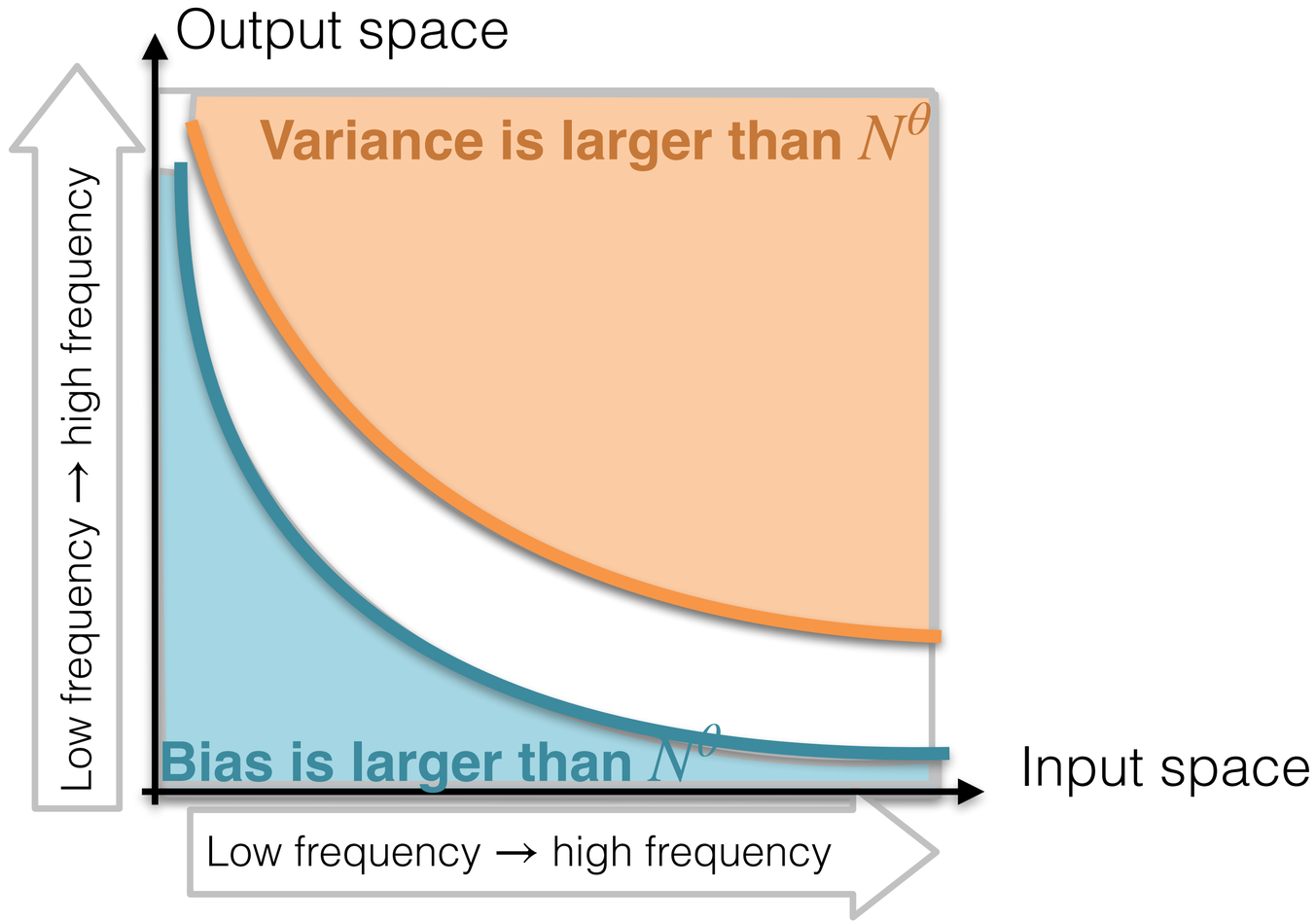

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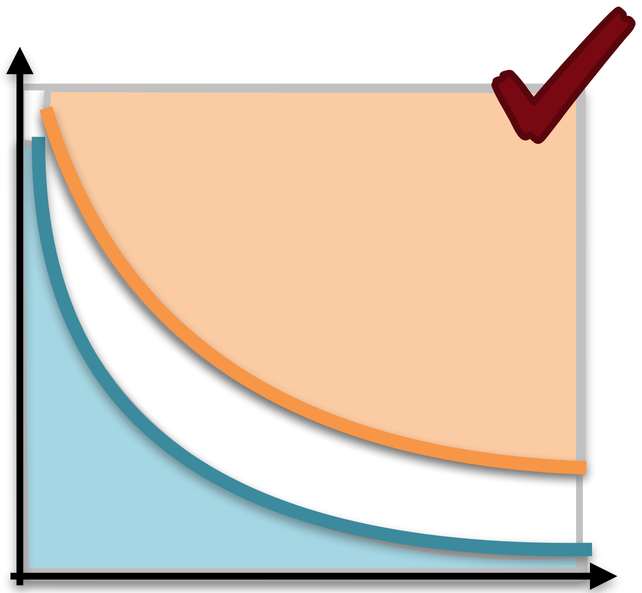
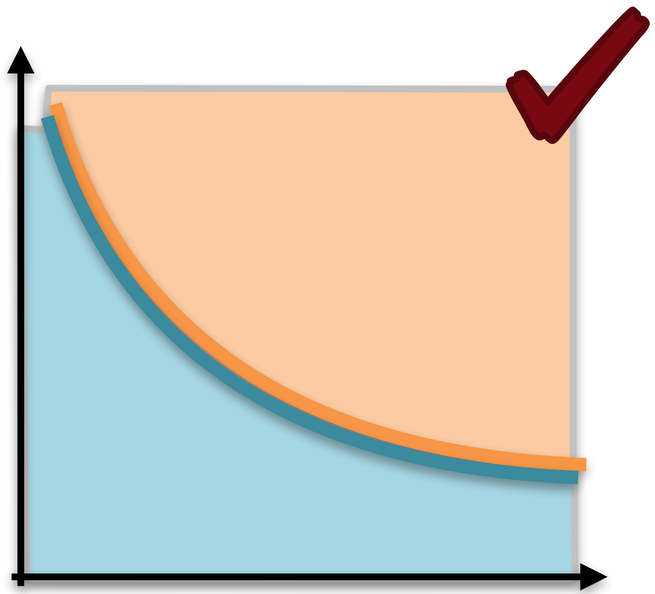
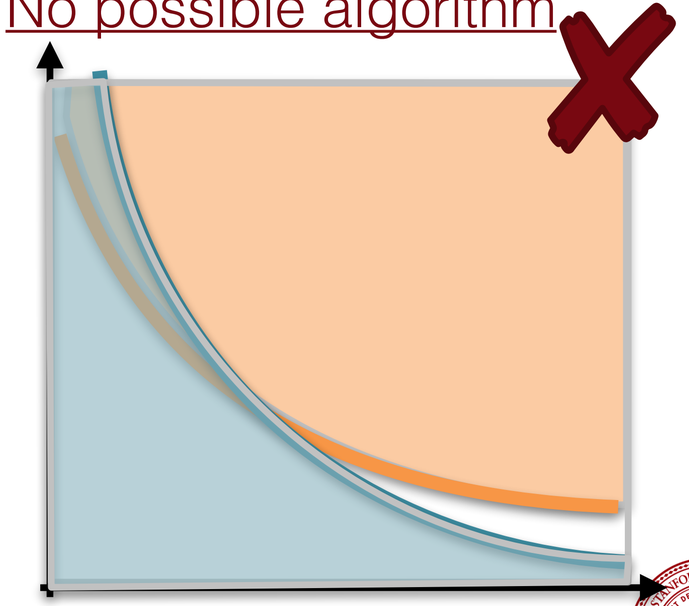
When θ varies, there are three possible cases





No possible algorithm



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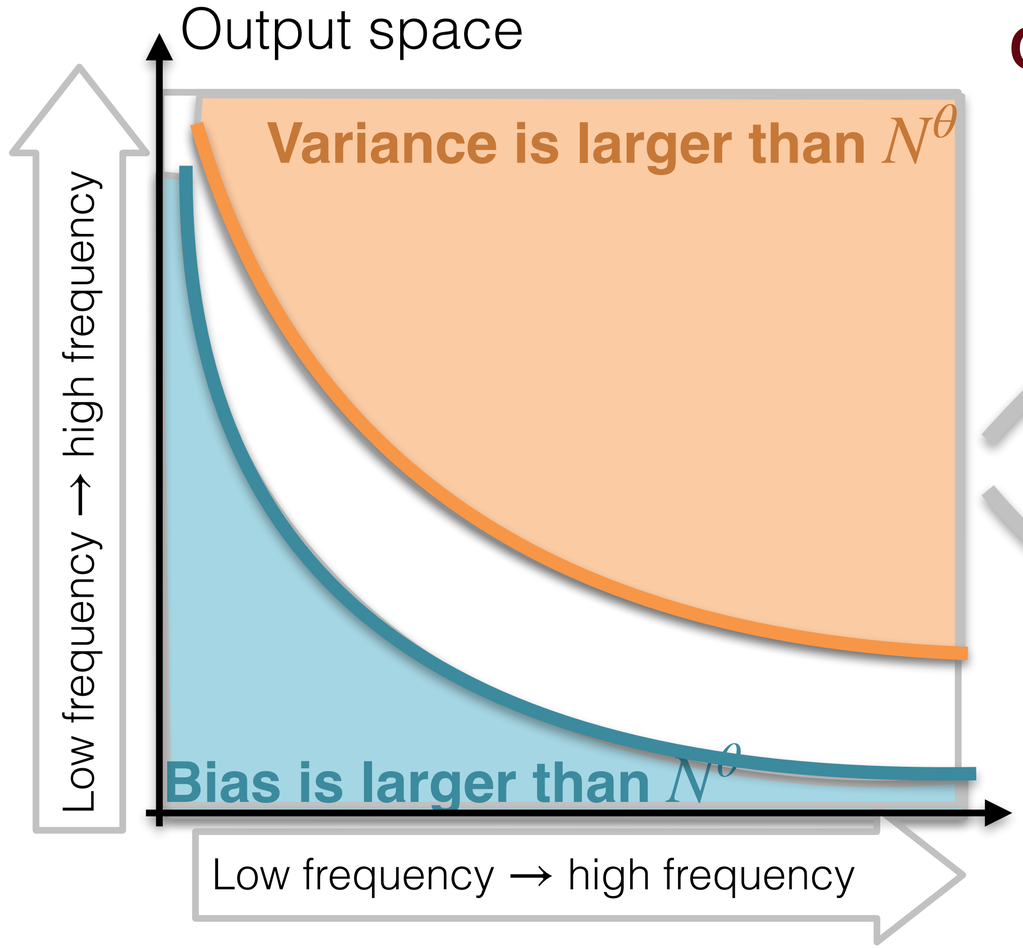
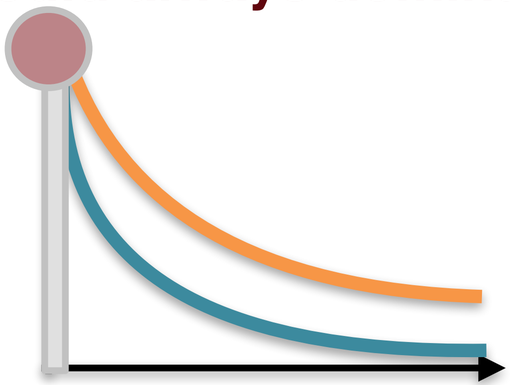


Orange line should always dominate the Blue Line



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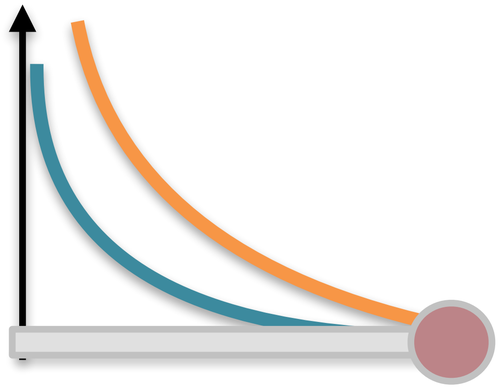

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Input space

Optimal Algorithm

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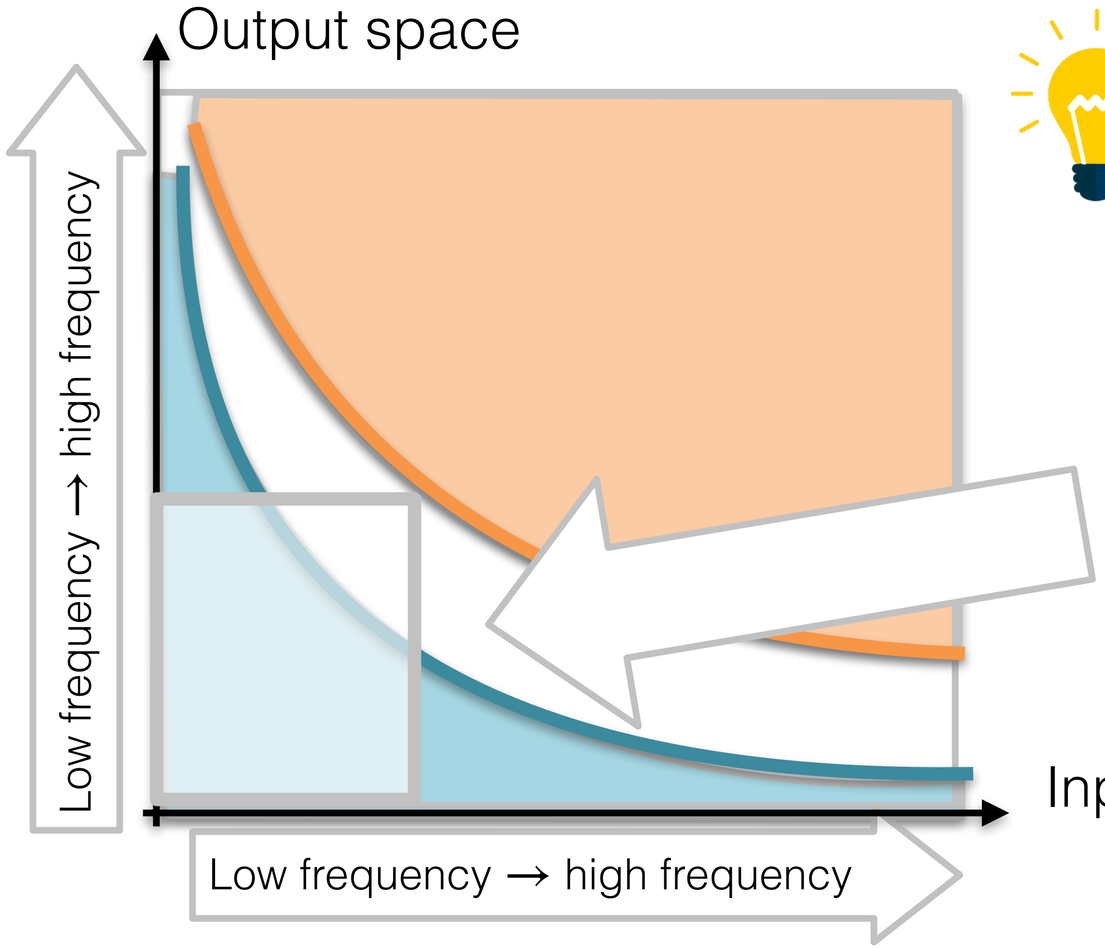

Rectangular covering the blue part without touching the orange part

A ridge-regression/ Discretization(PCA-Net) is learning a rectangular

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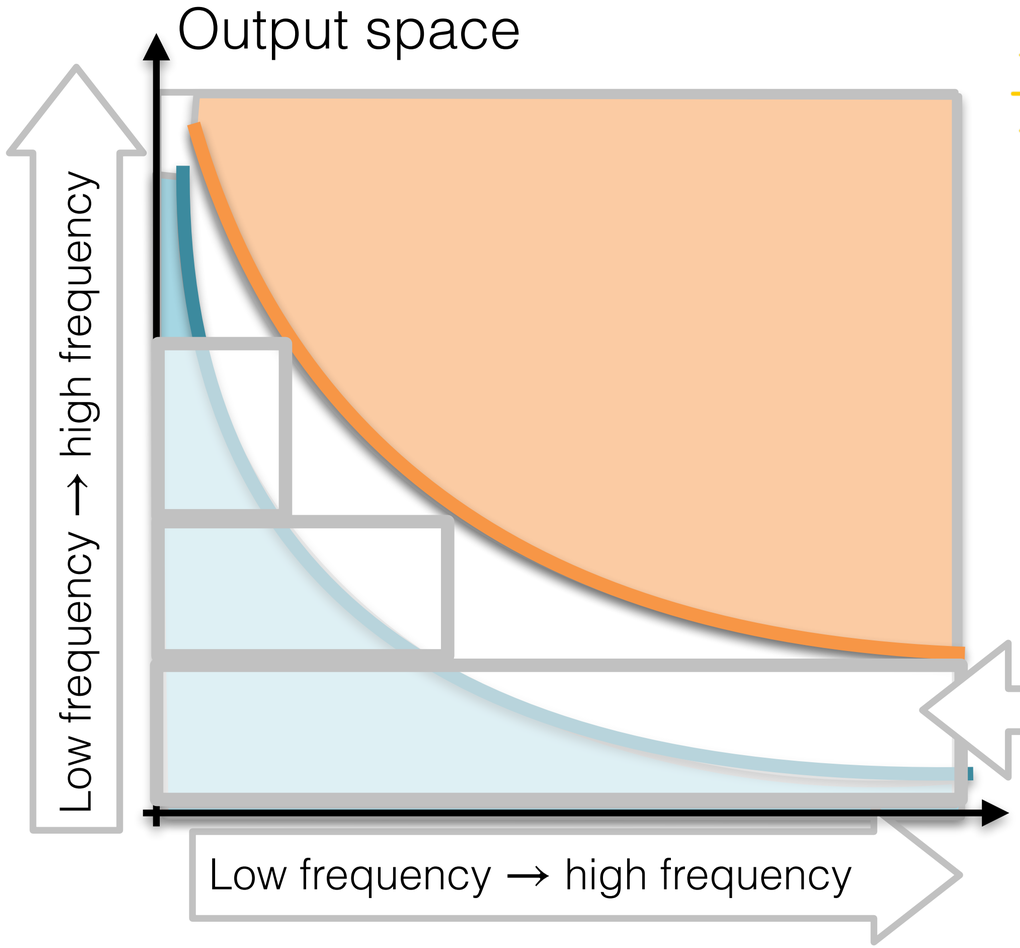

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Multilevel Training

Only $O(\ln \ln N)$ level is needed

Input space

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Ridge regression

Projection to certain basis in output space

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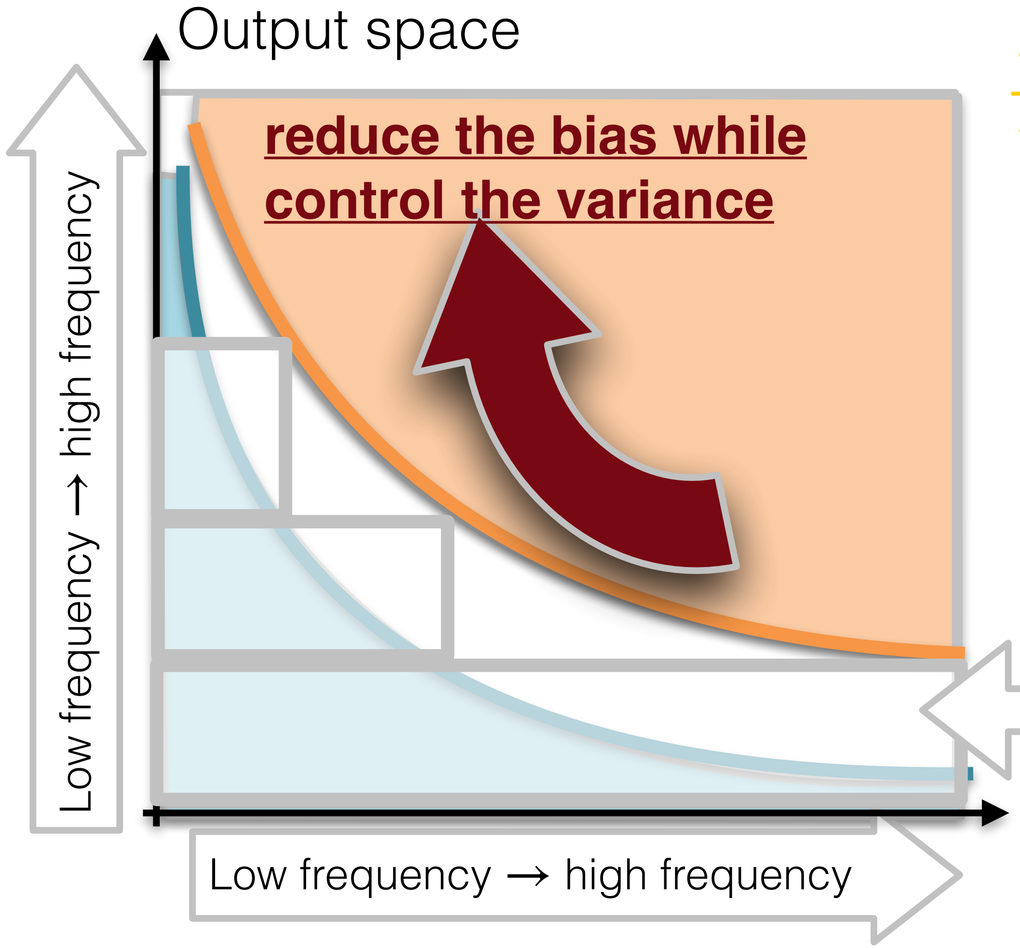

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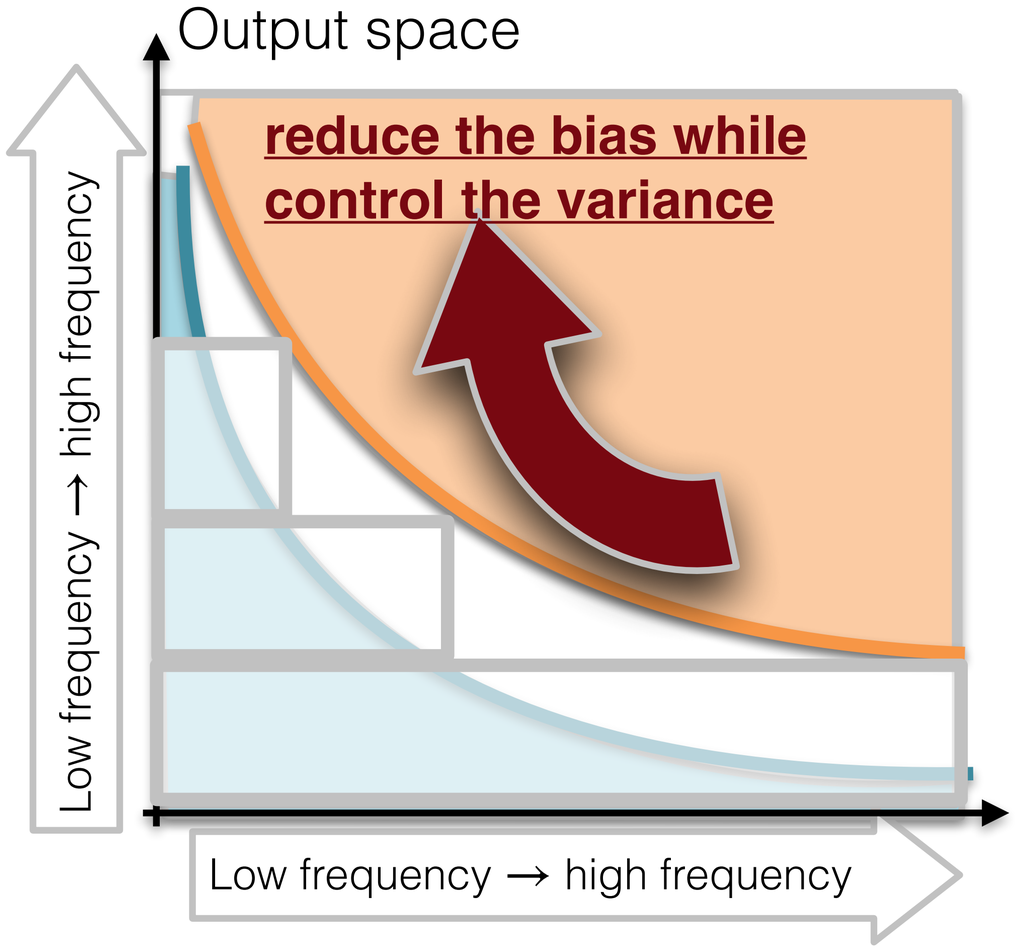

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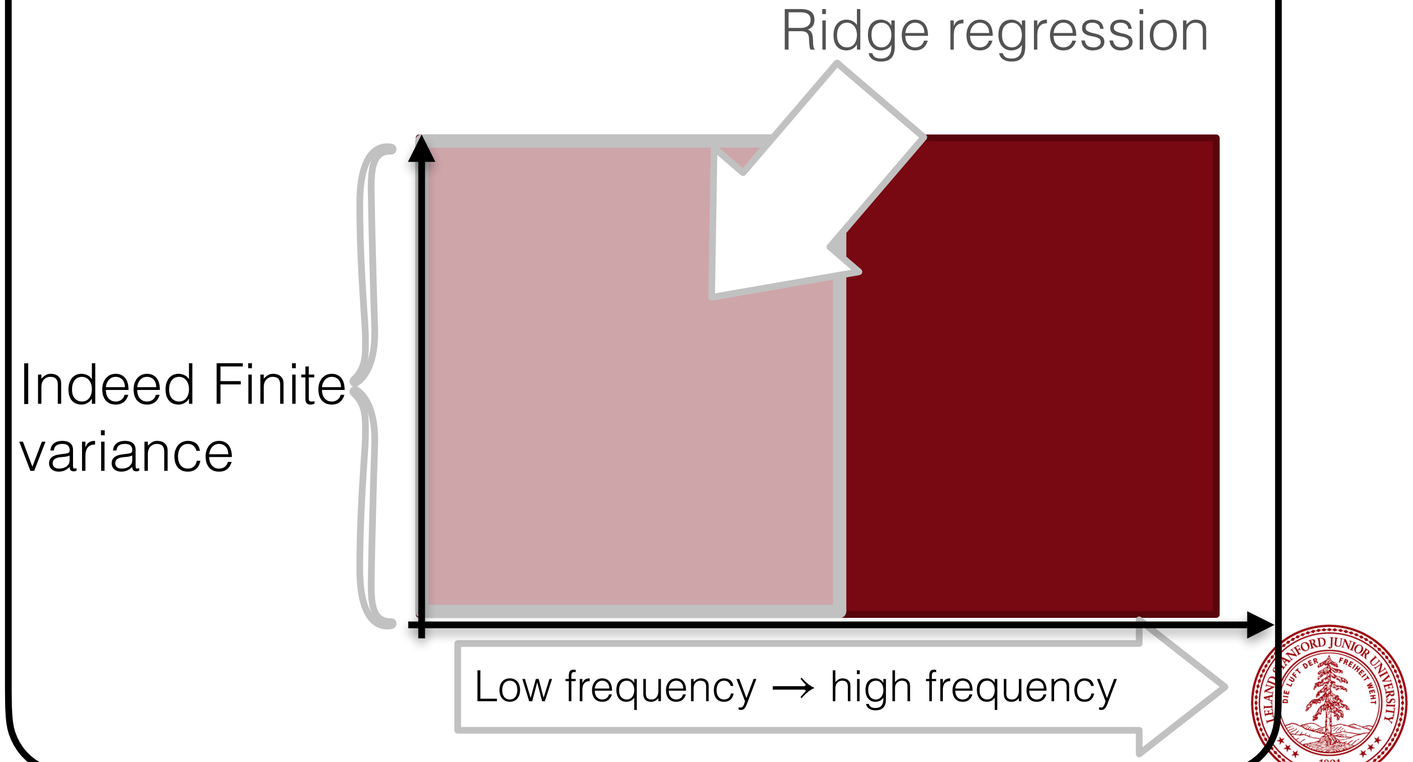

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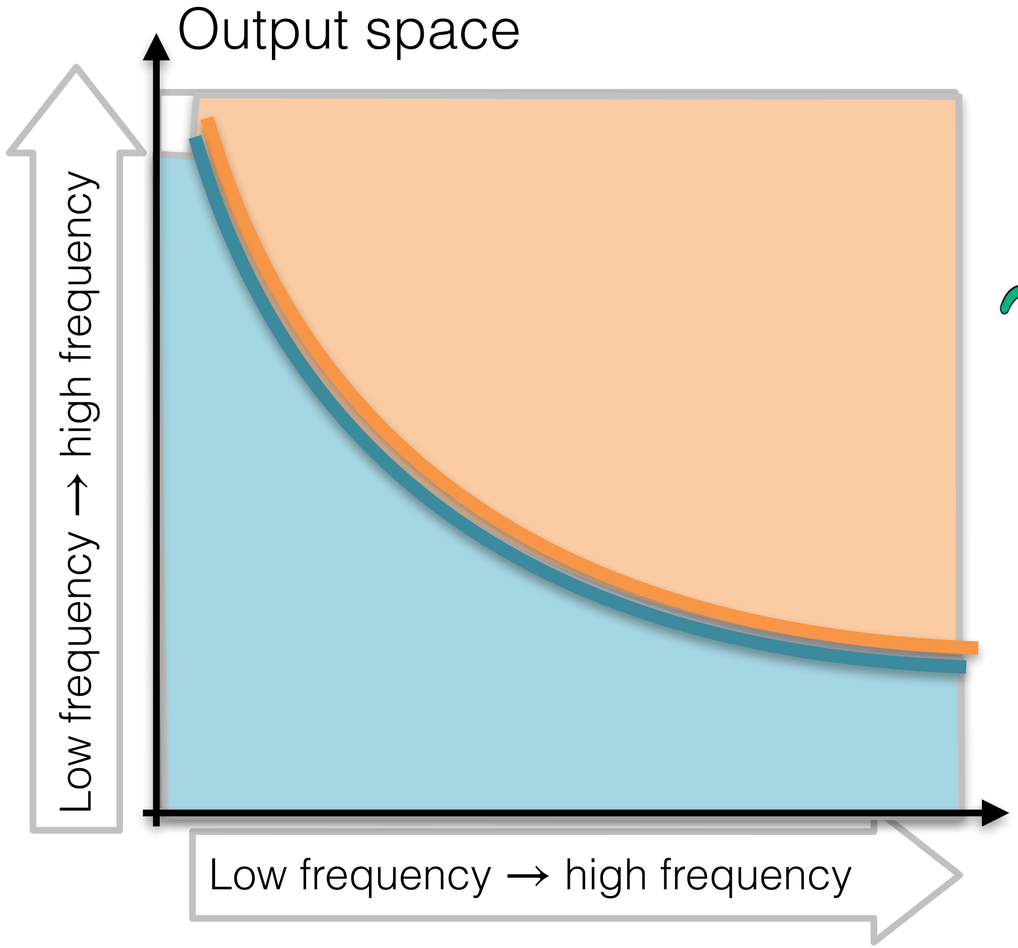

What if the two lines coincide?

Output space Learning rate

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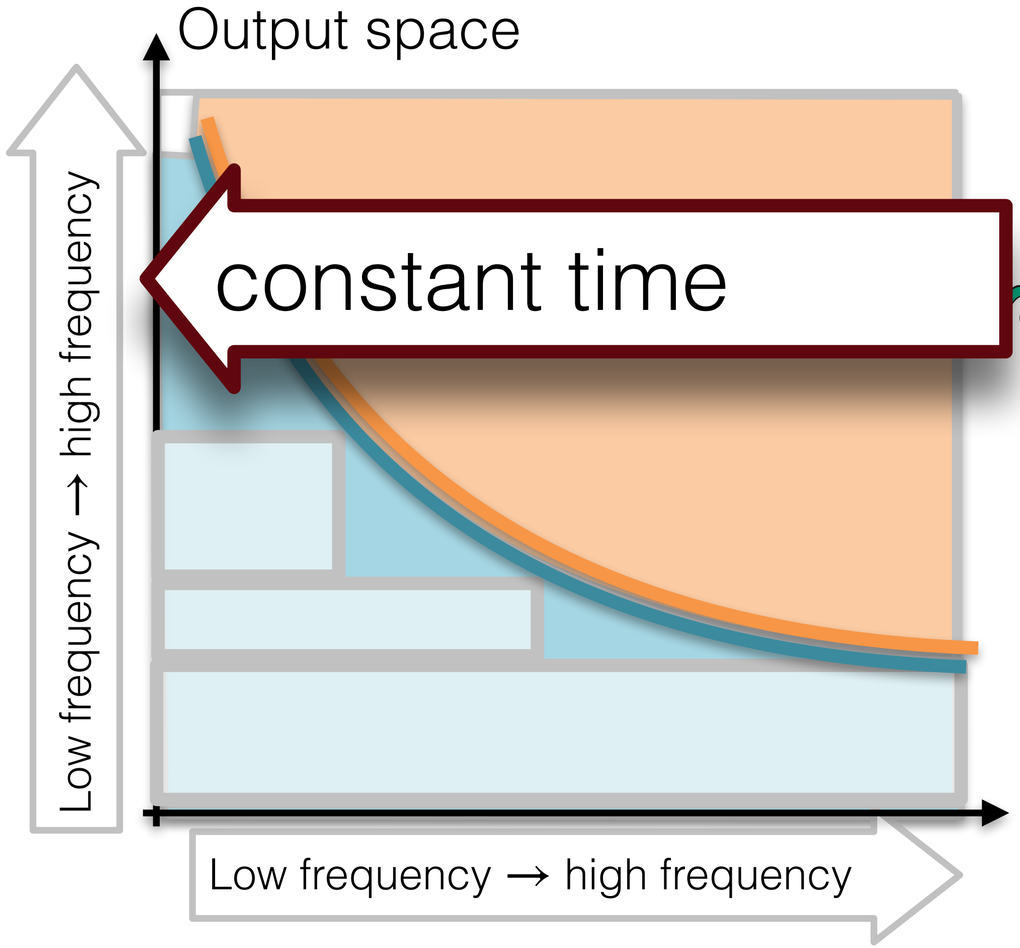

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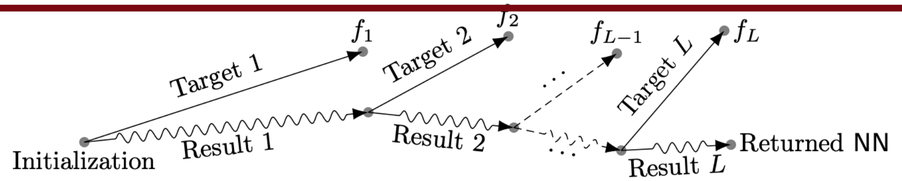

Coarse grid → Fine grid

Fast reconstruction of hierarchical matrix/ Green function ***Linear Case***

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Multi-level Machine Learning

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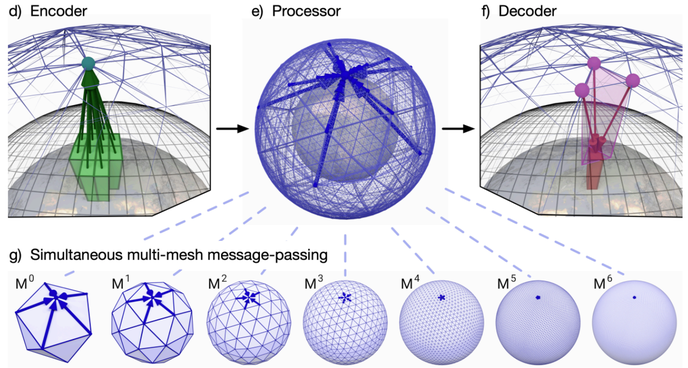

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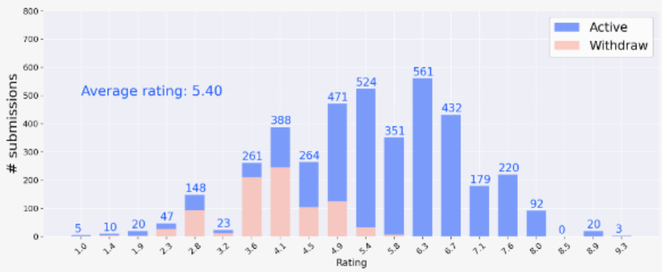

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Take home message

Learning in infinite dimensional space is hard due to the infinite variance

The hardness of learning a linear operator is determined by the harder part between the input and output space

(In some cases, infinite variance will not leads to slower rate)

Single level ML leads to sub-optimal rate, multi-level is needed.

(Matches empirical use)

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DRM discretized
$\nabla \cdot \nabla$
But not Δ

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"implicit Sobolev acceleration"

Faster

[**Lu**-Blanchet-Ying Neurips22] analysis the optimization dynamic.

Using sobolev norm as loss function can accelerate optimization

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Pre-ml Experience:
Double the condition number

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$$f = \langle \theta, K_x \rangle$$

"Differential operator preconditions the kernel integral operator"

Research Overview

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$$Au = f$$

Reconstruct u with observation of f: $\{x_i, f(x_i)\}$

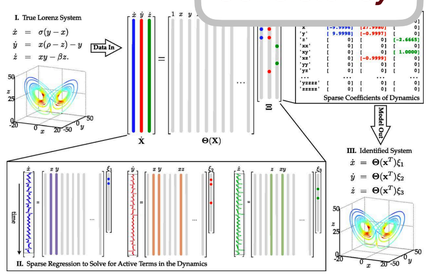
Recover parameter θ in Model A_θ

Learn the model A from data pair $\{u_i, f_i\}$

Interaction between model and data

Rough Modeling

Consistency



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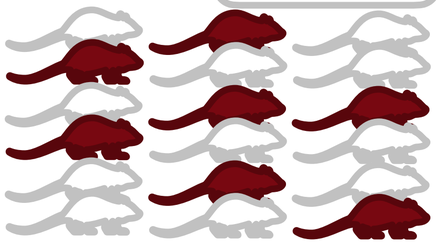
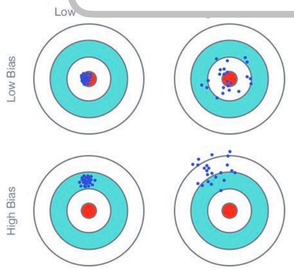


Model Learning

Convergence rate



Uncertainty Quantification

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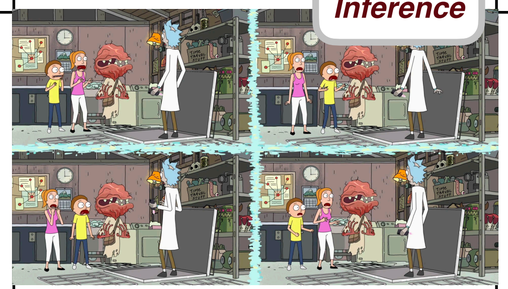

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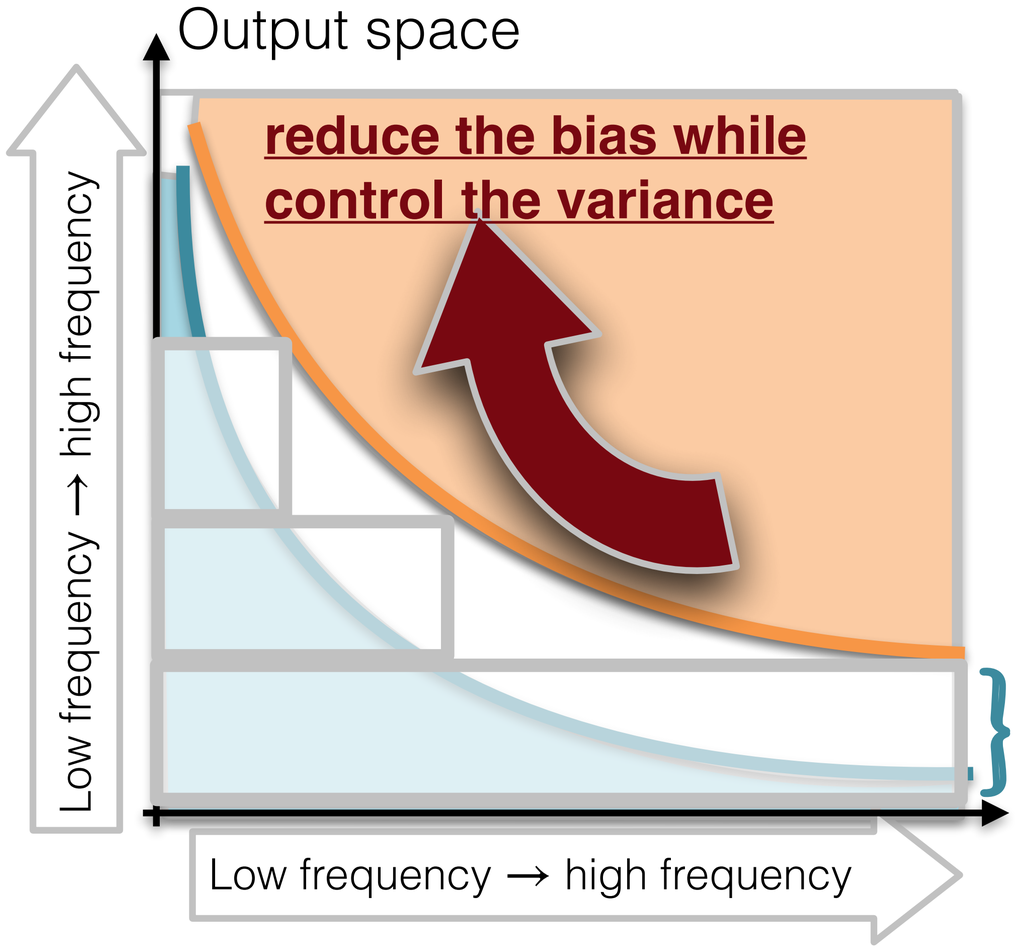

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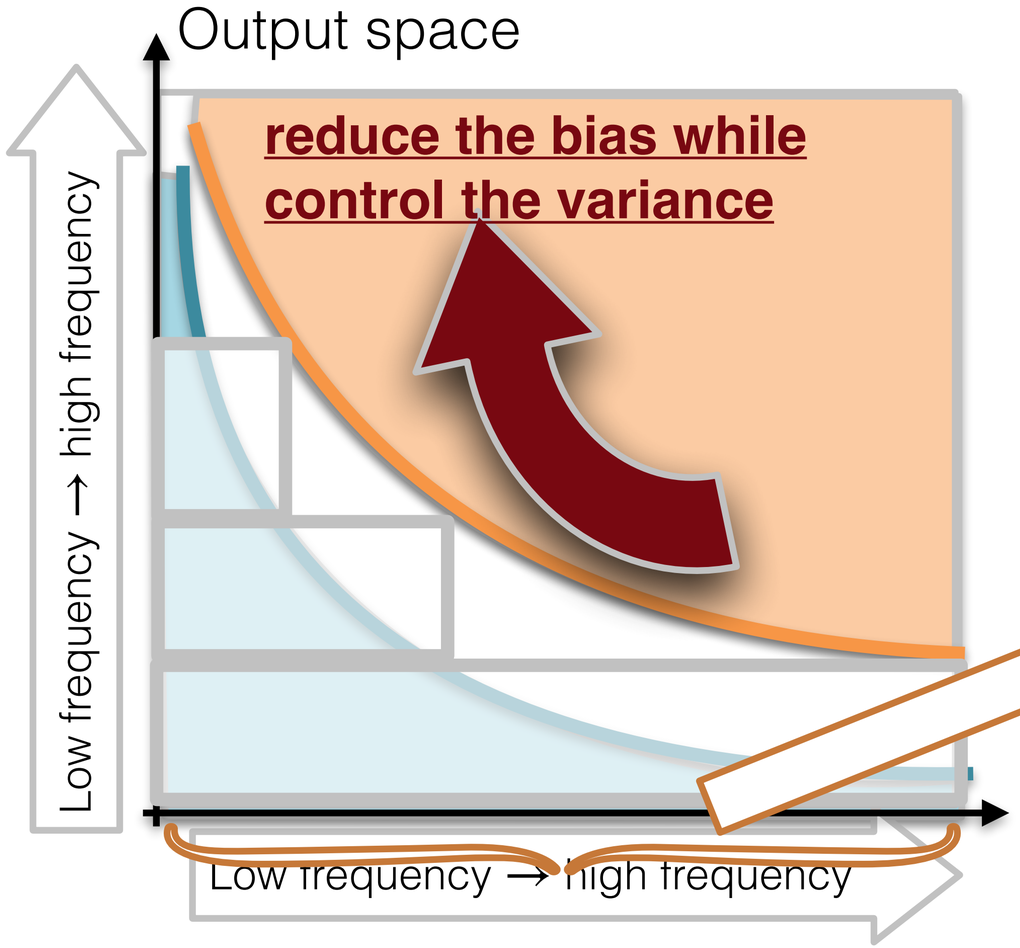

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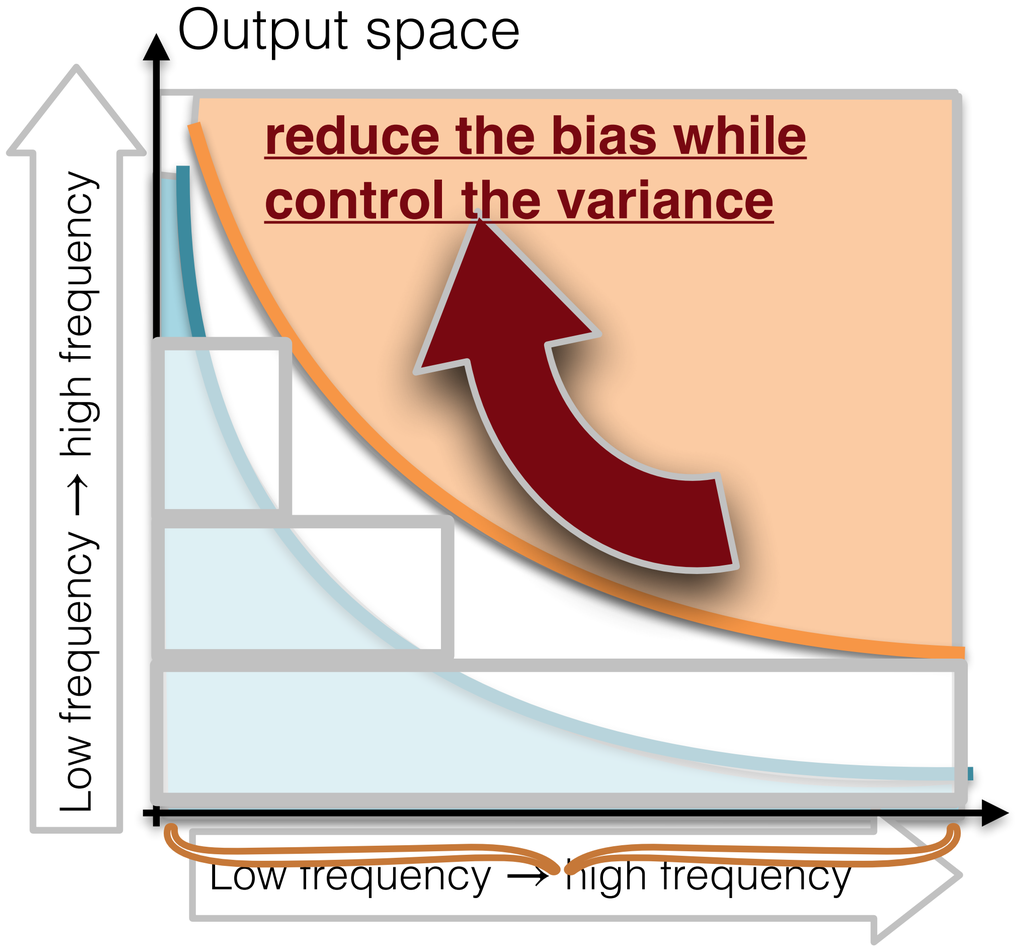

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Ensemble different levels

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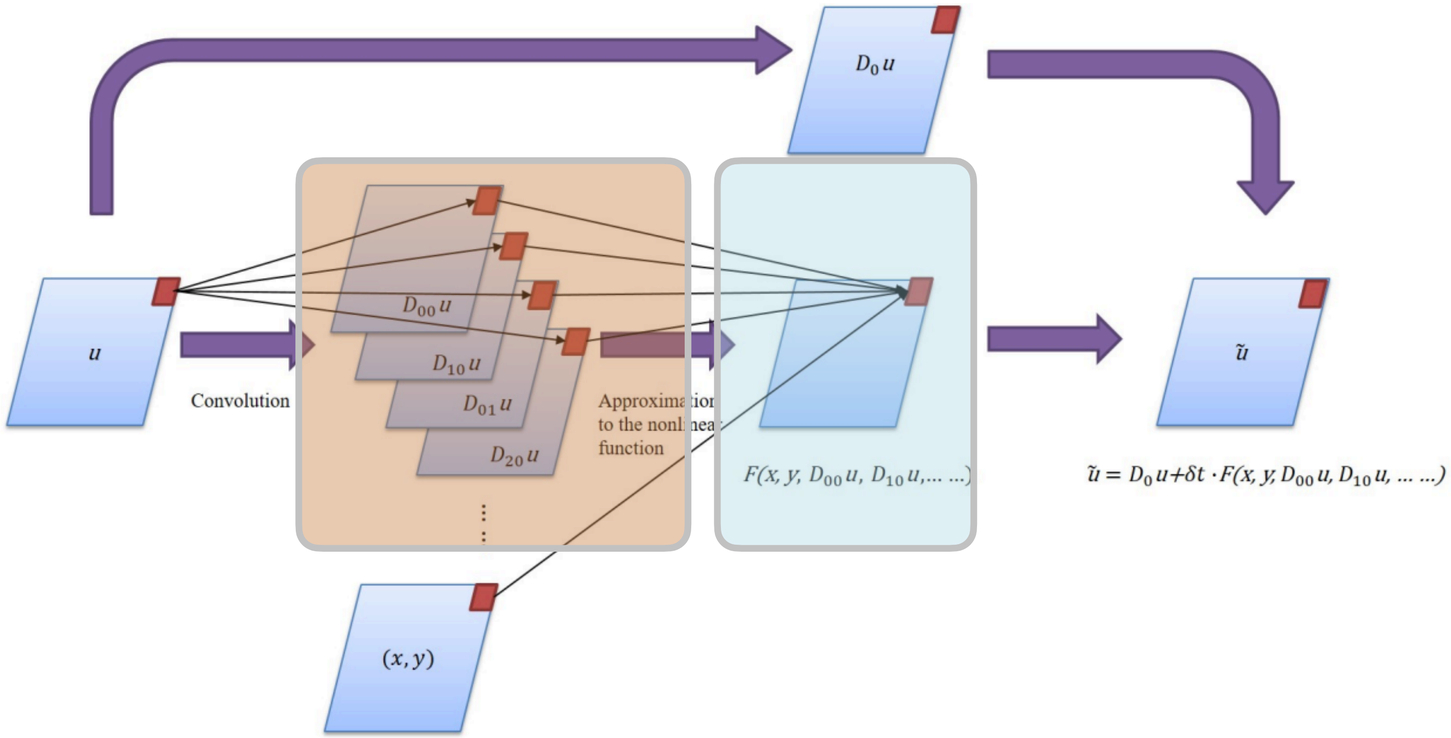

$$\frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t} = F(u, \nabla_x u, \nabla_x^2 u, \cdots)$$

Convolutional kernel

"Finite-difference"

$u_x = u * [-1,1]$

Neural Network

Definition 2.1 (Order of Sum Rules). *For a filter q, we say q to have sum rules of order $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2)$, where $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_+^2$, provided that*

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^2} k^\beta q[k] = 0 \qquad (2)$$

for all $\beta = (\beta_1, \beta_2) \in \mathbb{Z}_+^2$ with $|\beta| := \beta_1 + \beta_2 < |\alpha|$ and for all $\beta \in \mathbb{Z}_+^2$ with $|\beta| = |\alpha|$ but $\beta \neq \alpha$. If (2) holds for

Long Z, Lu Y, Ma X, et al. Pde-net: Learning pdes from data International Conference on Machine Learning. PMLR, 2018: 3208-3216.

Open Problems: Nonlinear-Operator-Learning

Standard non-parametric rate: $n^{-\frac{2s}{d+2s}}$

"dimension"

$d = \infty$

the k-nearest-neighbour estimator (Kudraszow & Vieu, 2013). The development of functional nonparametric regression has been hindered by a theoretical barrier, which is formulated in Mas (2012) and linked to the small ball probability problem (Delaigle & Hall, 2010). Essentially, in a rather general setting, the minimax rate of nonparametric regression on a generic functional space is slower than any polynomial of the sample size, which differs markedly from the polynomial minimax rates for many functional parametric regression procedures, see, e.g., Hall & Keilegom (2007), and Yuan & Cai (2010) for functional linear regression. These endeavours in functional nonparametric regression do not exploit the intrinsic structure that is common in practice. For instance, Chen & Müller (2012) suggested that functional data often have a low-dimensional manifold structure which can be utilized for more efficient representation. In this article, we exploit the nonlinear low-dimensional structure for functional nonparametric regression.

Learnability of convolutional neural networks for infinite dimensional input via mixed and anisotropic smoothness

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A Non-Parametric Statistical Framework

$\Delta u + u = f$

Output An estimation of u

"Learning with gradient information"

Input Random samples $\{(x_i, f(x_i) + \text{noise})\}_{i=1}^n$

i.i.d samples

Aim The best estimator

Evaluation in Sobolev norm

$$\inf_{H} \max_{f \in H^\alpha} \mathbb{E}_{\{(x_i, f(x_i)+\text{noise})\}_{i=1}^n} \| H(\{(x_i, f(x_i) + \text{noise})\}_{i=1}^n) - u \|_{H^\beta}$$

Uniformly good on all Sobolev functions

Estimator

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Theorem (informal)

Minimax lower bound for t-order linear elliptic PDE:

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Order of the PDE

Very similar to nonparametric rate $n^{-\frac{\alpha}{d+2\alpha}}$

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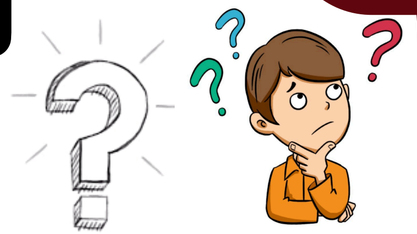
Empirical process/fast rate generalization bound

Is PINN and DRM statistical optimal?

For $\beta = 2$

PINN 

For $\beta = 1$

DRM 

Artifact of analysis? NN ansatz? Objective?

Is Deep Ritz Optimal? A Fourier View

$Au = f$

Solving $\Delta u + u = f$ from random samples $\{(x_i, f(x_i) + \text{noise})\}_{i=1}^{n}$

Why not first learn f then learn u

Naive Estimator $\hat{f} = \sum_{|z|<S} \hat{f}_z^F \phi_z$ where $\hat{f}_z^F = \sum f(x_i)\phi_z(x_i)$

Then $u = A^{-1}f = \sum_{|z|<S} \frac{1}{|z|^2 + 1} \hat{f}_z^F \phi_z$ *Fourier Basis*

Naive way to do this?

Naive Estimator is Optimal with proper selection of S

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How is naive estimator different from DRM?

DRM Estimator $\hat{u} = \sum_{|z|<S} \hat{u}_z^F \phi_z$ and plug in

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Naive **DRM**

$$\hat{u}_z^F = (\hat{A})^{-1} \hat{f}_z^F$$

$$\hat{A} = \left(\sum_i \nabla \phi_j(x_i) \nabla \phi_k(x_i) \right)_{j,k} + \left(\sum_i \phi_j(x_i) \phi_k(x_i) \right)_{j,k}$$

Introduce further variance

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DRM discretized

$\nabla \cdot \nabla$

But not Δ

Integration by parts increase the monte-carlo variance.

Results in One Table...

Boundary condition?

Upper Bounds			Lower Bound
Objective Function	Neural Network	Fourier Basis	
Deep Ritz	$n^{-\frac{2s-2}{d+2s-2}} \log n$	$n^{-\frac{2s-2}{d+2s-2}}$	$n^{-\frac{2s-2}{d+2s-4}}$
Modified Deep Ritz	$n^{-\frac{2s-2}{d+2s-2}} \log n$	$n^{-\frac{2s-2}{d+2s-4}}$	$n^{-\frac{2s-2}{d+2s-4}}$
PINN	$n^{-\frac{2s-4}{d+2s-4}} \log n$	$n^{-\frac{2s-4}{d+2s-4}}$	$n^{-\frac{2s-4}{d+2s-4}}$

Still open

For $\beta = 2$

PINN ✓

For $\beta = 1$

DRM

	DRM	Modified
Spectral	✗	✓
NN	✗	?

DRM or PINN

Which one optimizes faster?

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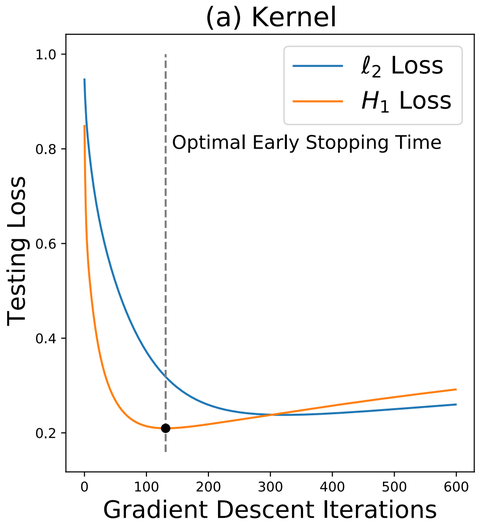

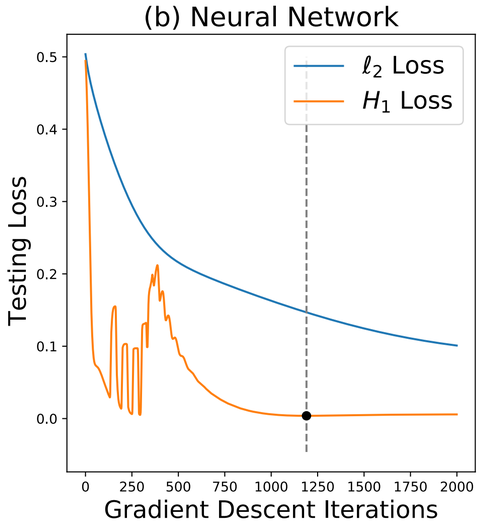

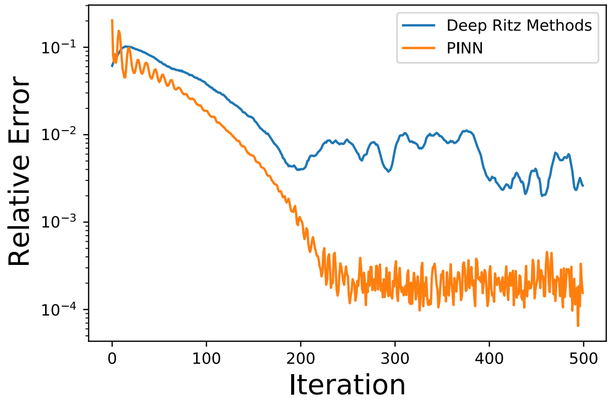

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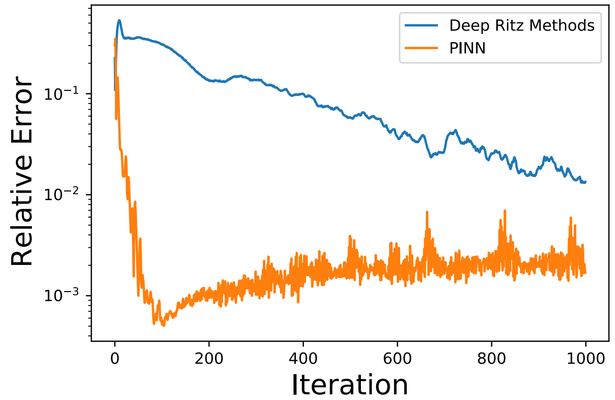

$f = \sin(4\pi x)$

Sobolev Training

Solving $\Delta u = f$

A Kernelized Model

Machine learning is a kernelized dynamic.
Differential Operator can cancel Kernel Integral Op

Let's consider $\Delta u = f$ via minimizing $\frac{1}{2}\langle f, \mathcal{A}_1 f\rangle - \langle u, \mathcal{A}_2 f\rangle$

$$f = \langle \theta, K_x \rangle$$

- **Deep Ritz Methods**. $\mathcal{A}_1 = \Delta, \mathcal{A}_2 = Id$
- **PINN**. $\mathcal{A}_1 = \Delta^2, \mathcal{A}_2 = \Delta$

Gradient Descent

$$d\theta_t = \sum_i \left\langle \theta, \mathcal{A}_1 K_{x_i i} \right\rangle K_{x_i} - f_i \mathcal{A}_2 K_{x_i}$$

Differential operator Kernel integral operator

Our Result

I understand your idea, but what's your thm?

Theorem (Informal)

1. The information theoretical lower bound in the kernel space matches the lower bound for learning PDE.

2. Gradient Descent with proper early stopping time selection can achieve optimal statistical rate

3. The proper early stopping time is smaller for PINN than DRM