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Tutorial on Uncertainty quantification and sensitivity analysis

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Uncertainty - Random Variables

Random variable \mathbf{Y} :

Density function $\rho_{\mathbf{Y}}(y)$ $\Pr(Y \leq y) = \int_{-\infty}^y \rho_Y(s) ds$

Expected value:

$$\mathbb{E} [\mathbf{Y}] = \int_{\Omega_Y} y \rho_{\mathbf{Y}}(y) dy$$

Variance:

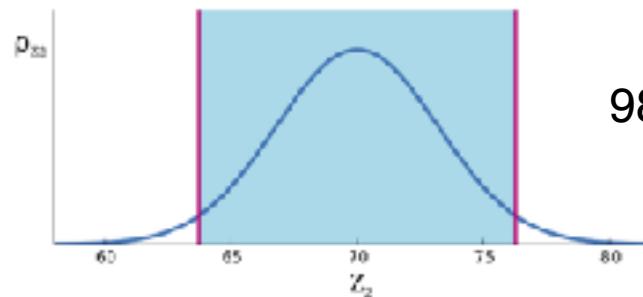
$$\text{Var} [\mathbf{Y}] = \int_{\Omega_Y} (y - \mathbb{E} [\mathbf{Y}])^2 \rho_{\mathbf{Y}}(y) dy$$

$$\sigma [\mathbf{Y}] = \sqrt{\text{Var} [\mathbf{Y}]}$$

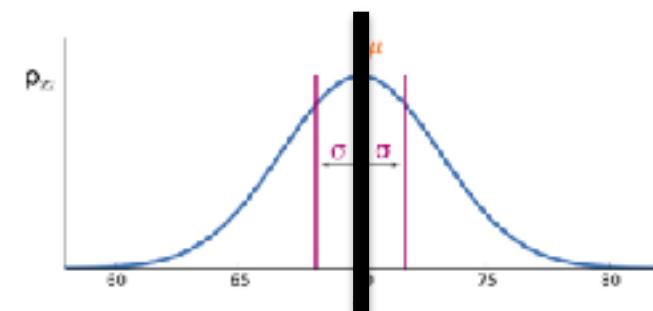
Prediction intervals:

$$\beta = \int_{-\infty}^{y_{[\beta]}} \rho_{\mathbf{Y}}(y) dy$$

$$I_{\beta} = [y_{[\beta/2]}, y_{[1-\beta/2]}]$$

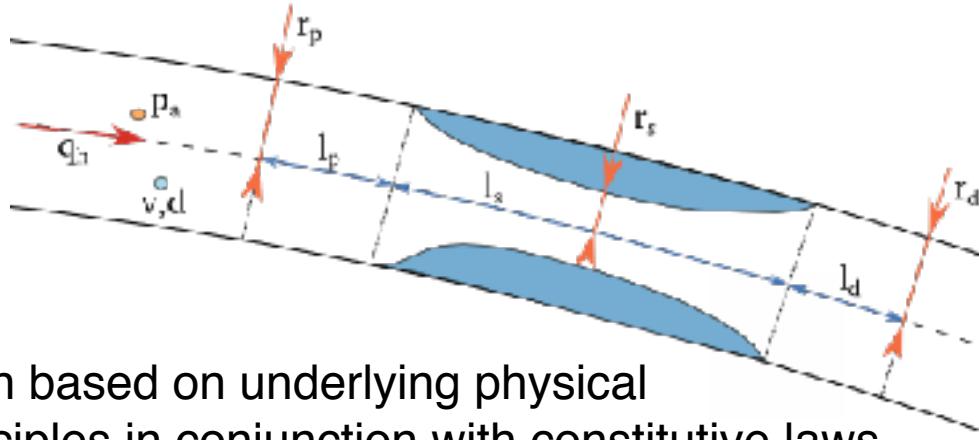


98 % probability



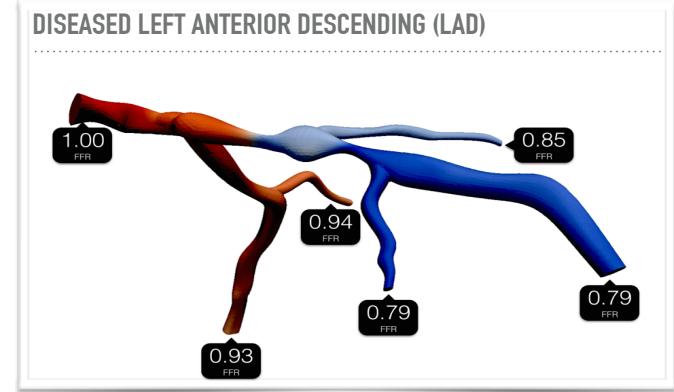
Models, inputs and parameters

Models describe a particular system or relationship



often based on underlying physical principles in conjunction with constitutive laws

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} - \nu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} = -\nabla h.$$



Model predictions depend on time, space and parameters

$$p(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})$$

$$\tau(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})$$

$$q(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})$$

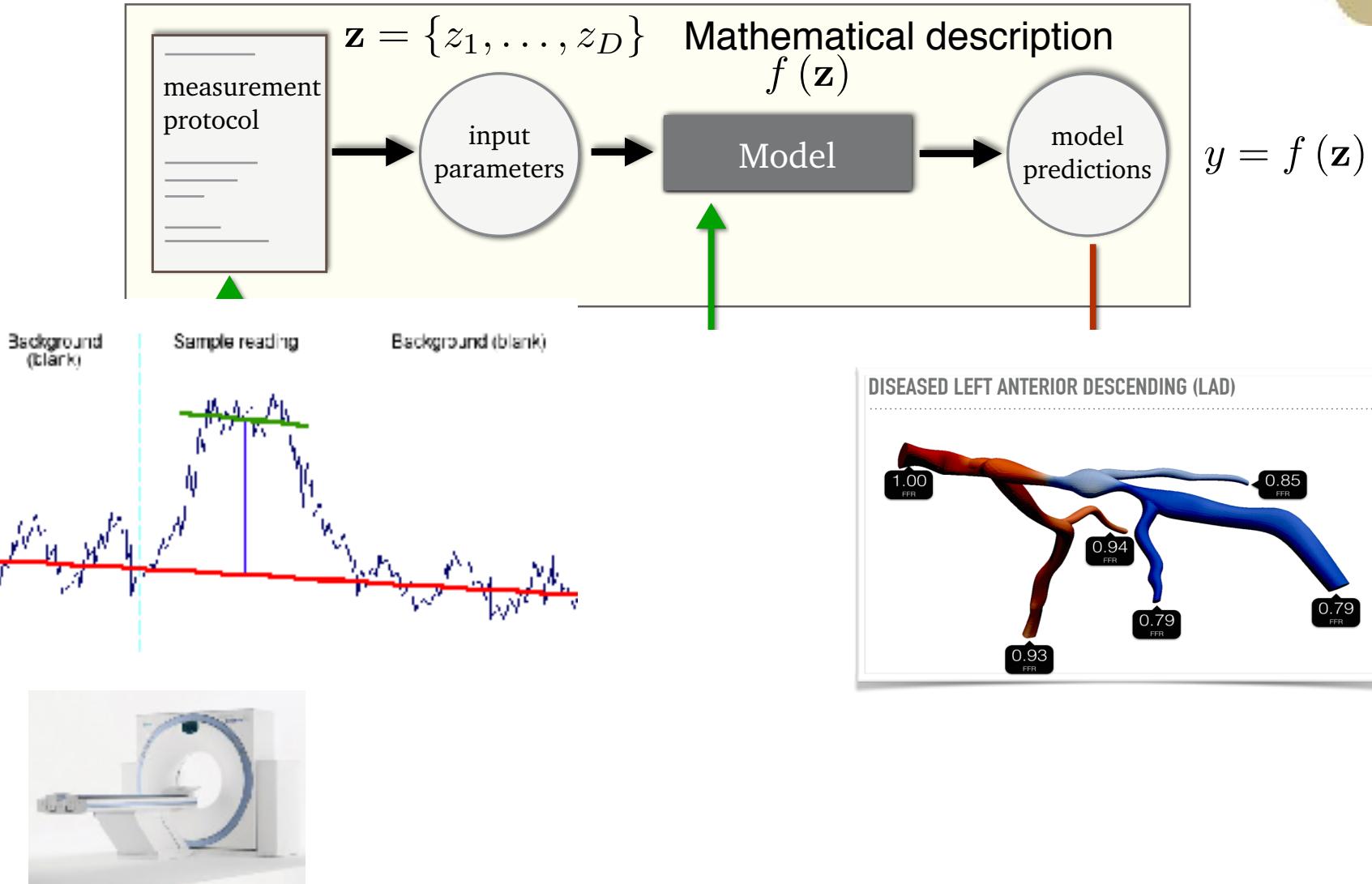
For the purposes of UQSA the focus is on dependence on input parameters \mathbf{z}

$$p(\mathbf{z})$$

$$\tau(\mathbf{z})$$

$$q(\mathbf{z})$$

Models, inputs and parameters



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Uncertainty quantification

Many inputs aren't known exactly

$$\mathbf{Z} = \{Z_1, \dots, Z_D\}$$



$$f(\mathbf{Z})$$

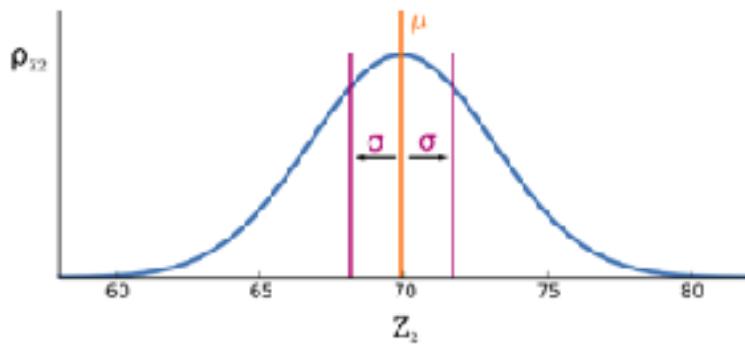


$$\mathbf{Y}$$

random variables



known distributions

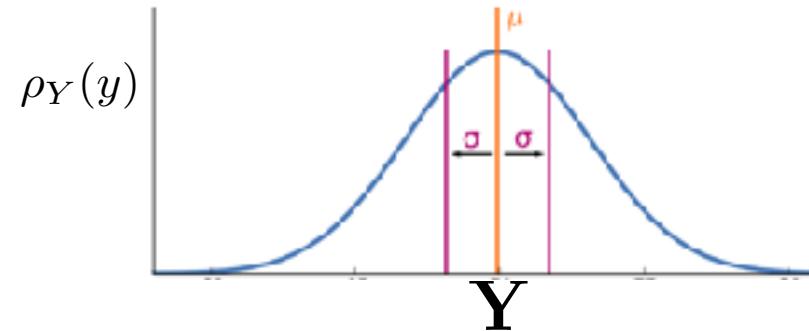


random variable



unknown distribution

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Overview



deterministic system

$$\mathbf{z} = \{z_1, \dots, z_D\}$$



$$f(\mathbf{z})$$



$$y = f(\mathbf{z})$$

 input parameter
uncertain

computational model

model prediction
uncertain

$$\mathbf{Z} = \{Z_1, \dots, Z_D\}$$



$$f(\mathbf{Z})$$



$$\mathbf{Y}$$

1 How can we describe the uncertainty in model inputs?



Account for uncertainty in model simulations

2 How can we assess the uncertainty of \mathbf{Y} and the sensitivity with respect to \mathbf{Z}

An example model

Generalisation

Input parameter

$$\mathbf{z} = \{z_1, \dots, z_D\}$$

$$\mathbf{z} = \{l_p, l_s, l_d, r_p, r_s, r_d, p_a, q_h, v, d\}$$

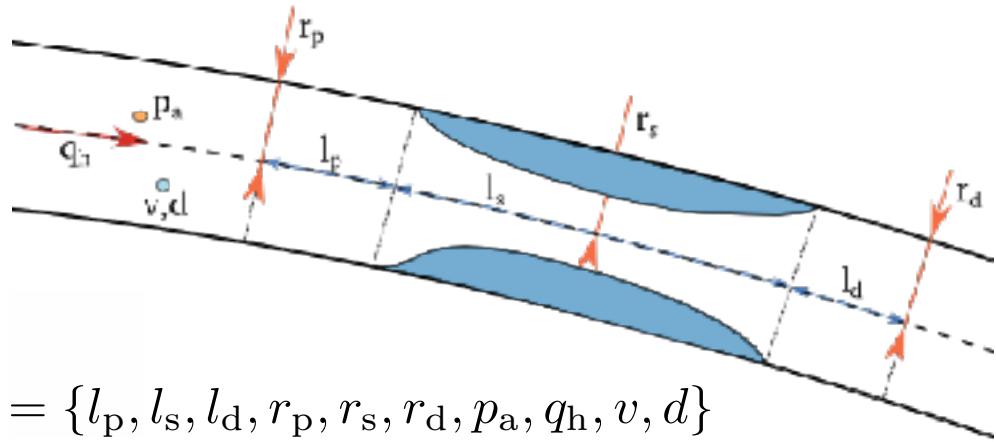
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$$f(\mathbf{z})$$

Model prediction

$$y = f(\mathbf{z})$$

Huo FFR model



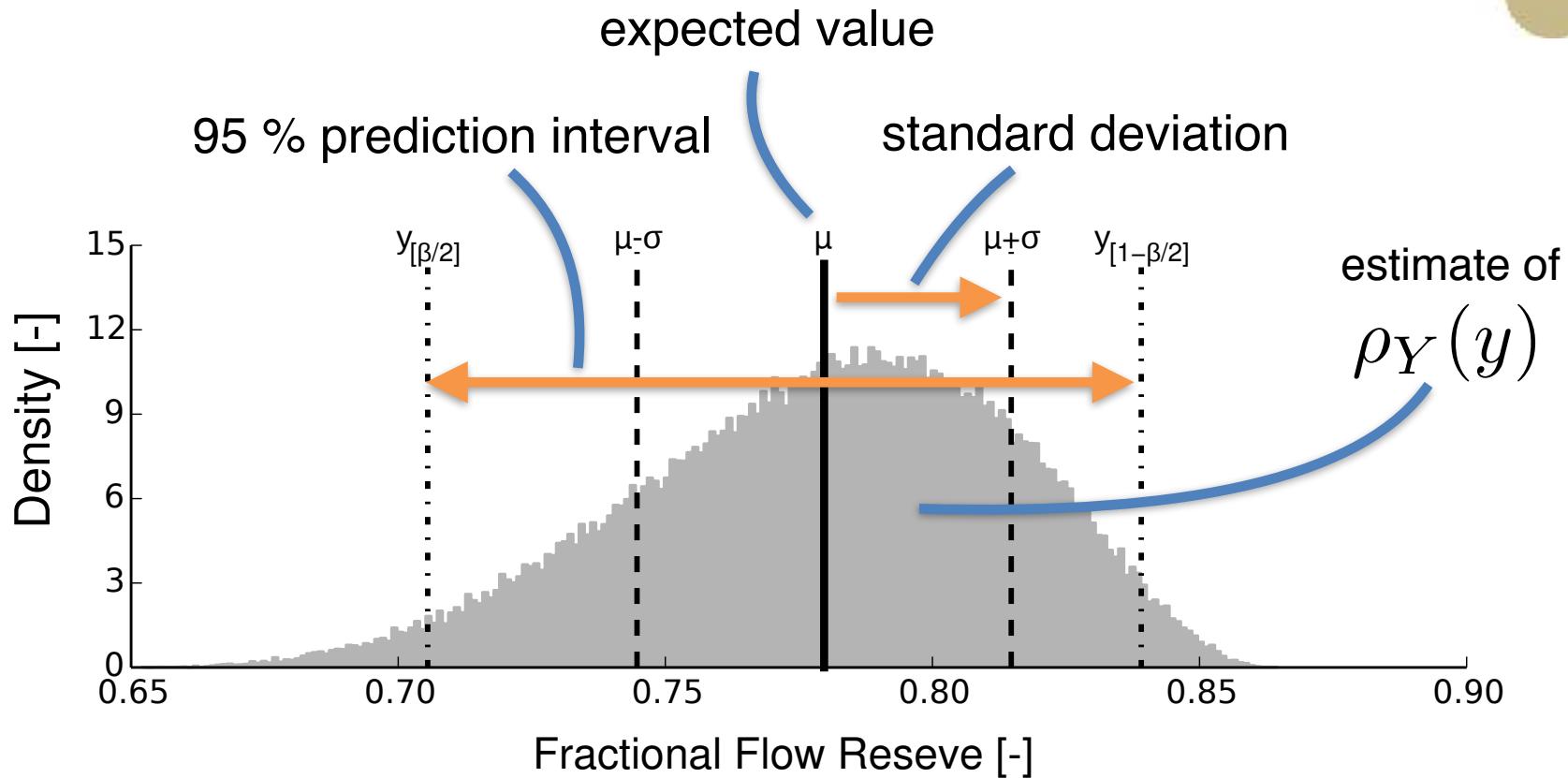
$$\Delta p = \frac{q_h^2 d}{2} (\Delta p_{\text{convective}} + \Delta p_{\text{diffusive}} + \Delta p_{\text{expansion}})$$

$$\text{FFR} = \frac{p_a - \Delta p}{p_a}$$

$$\text{FFR} \in [0, 1] \begin{cases} \text{non-significant} & \text{for FFR} > 0.8 \\ \text{significant} & \text{for FFR} < 0.8 \end{cases}$$

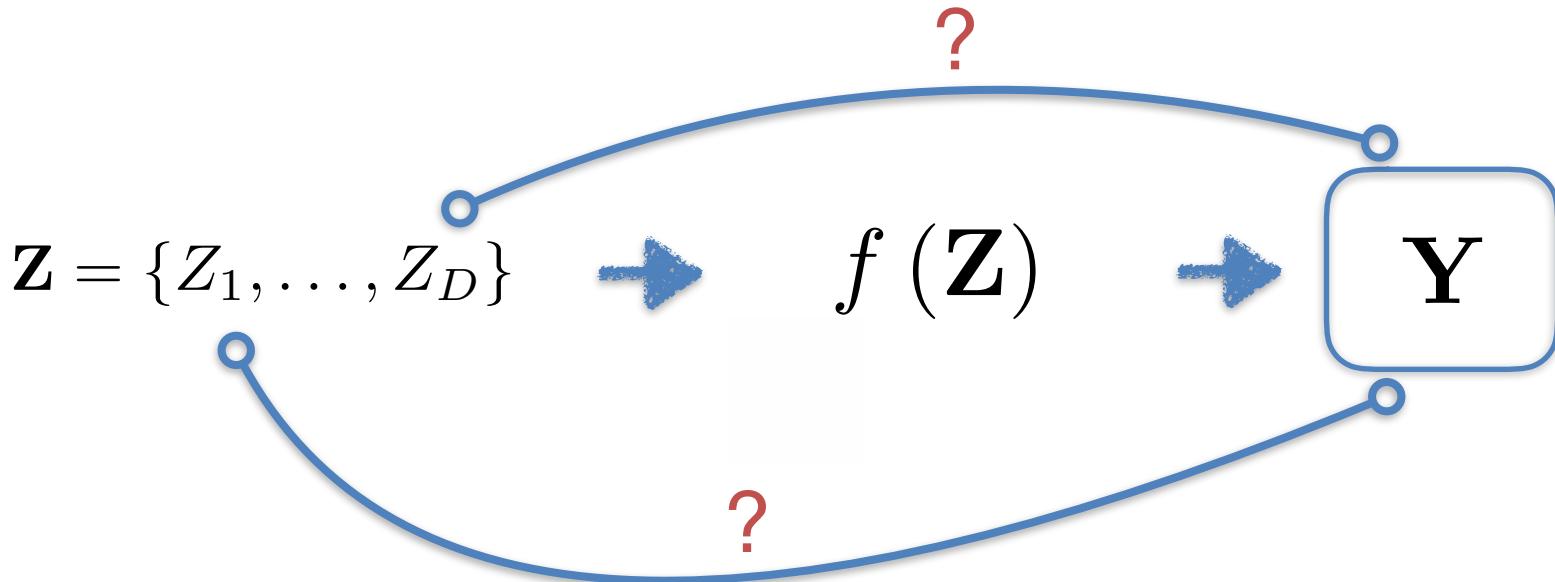
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Huo FFR model prediction



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Sensitivity analysis



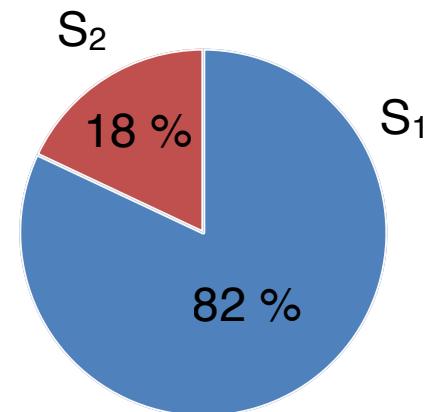
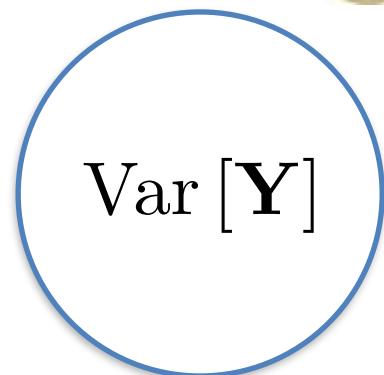
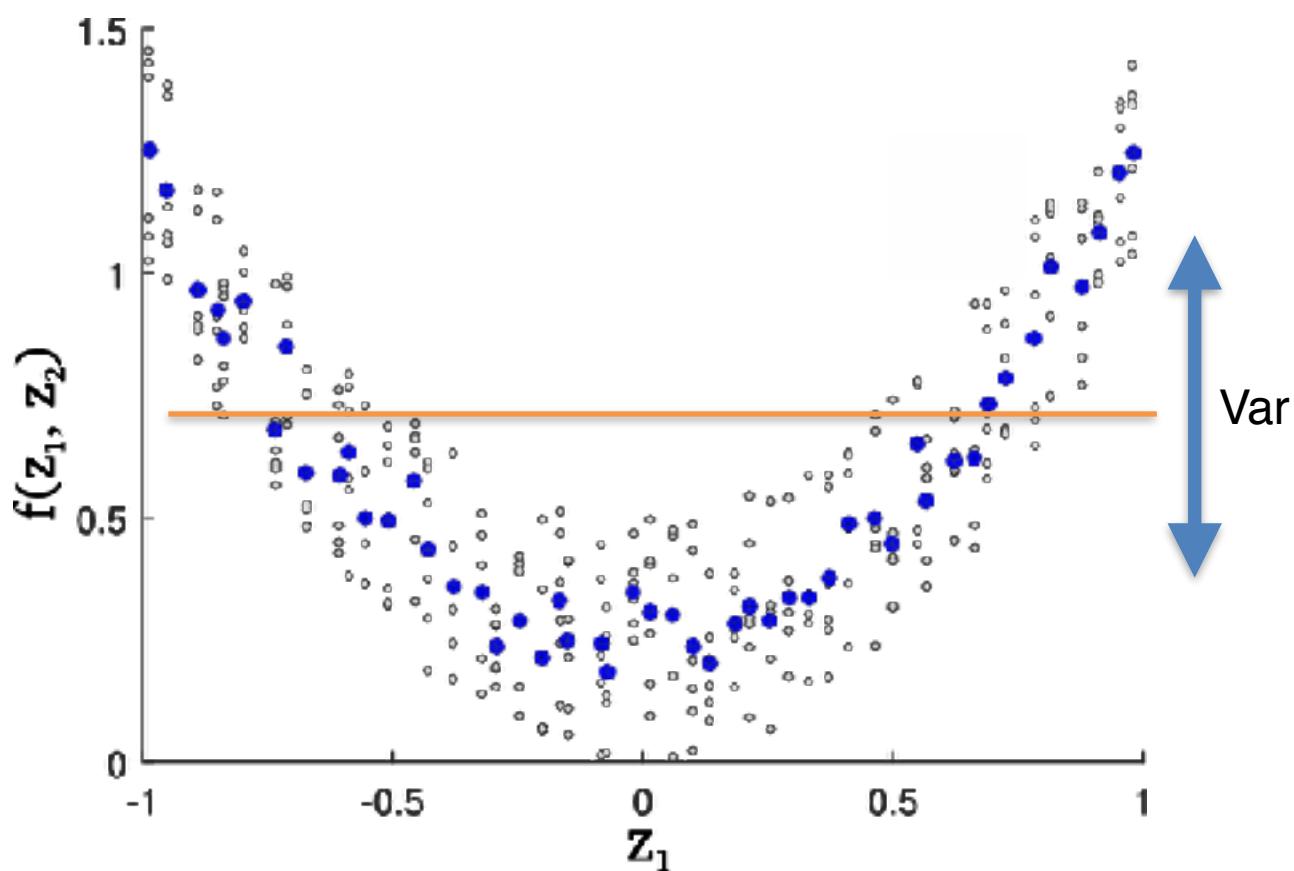
How sensitive is the model prediction
to individual uncertain inputs?

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Sensitivity analysis

first order sensitivity indices

$$S_i = \frac{\text{Var} [\mathbb{E} [Y|Z_i]]}{\text{Var} [Y]}$$



Parameter prioritisation

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Sensitivity analysis

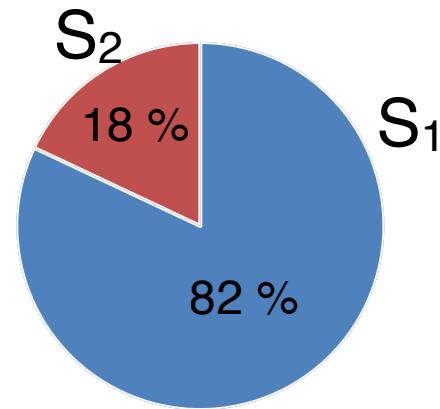
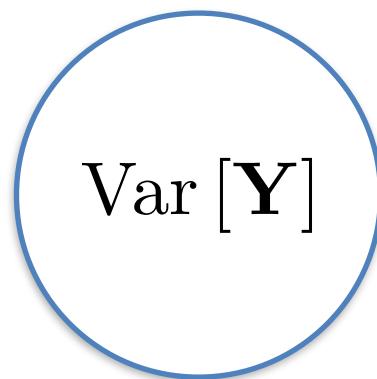
first order sensitivity indices

$$S_i = \frac{\text{Var} [\mathbb{E} [\mathbf{Y} | Z_i]]}{\text{Var} [\mathbf{Y}]}$$

If additive model, i.e.

$$y = f(\mathbf{z}) = z_1^2 + z_2$$

$$\sum_i^D S_i = 1$$



parameter prioritisation

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Sensitivity analysis

$$Y = f_0 + \sum_i f_i + \sum_{ij} f_{ij} + \dots \quad f_0 = \text{E}(Y) \quad f_i = \text{E}(Y|Z_i) - f_0$$

$$E(f_i f_j) = 0 \quad f_{ij} = \text{E}(Y|Z_i, Z_j) - f_i - f_j - f_0$$

Anova Variance Decomposition

$$\text{Var}[\mathbf{Y}] = V_1 + V_2 + V_3 + V_{12} + V_{13} + V_{23} + V_{123}$$

$$V_i = \text{Var}[f_i] = \text{Var}[\text{E}(Y|Z_i)] \quad S_i = \frac{\text{Var}[f_i]}{\text{Var}[Y]}$$

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Sensitivity analysis

total sensitivity indices S_{Ti}

non - additive model $y = f(\mathbf{z}) = z_1^2 + z_2 + z_3^2 z_1$

Anova Variance Decomposition

$$\text{Var} [\mathbf{Y}] = V_1 + V_2 + V_3 + V_{12} + V_{13} + V_{23} + V_{123}$$

↓
divide by $\text{Var} [\mathbf{Y}]$

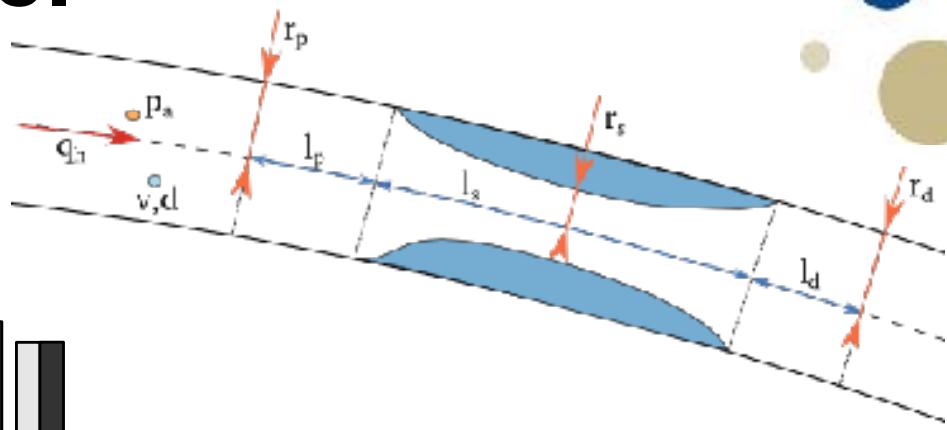
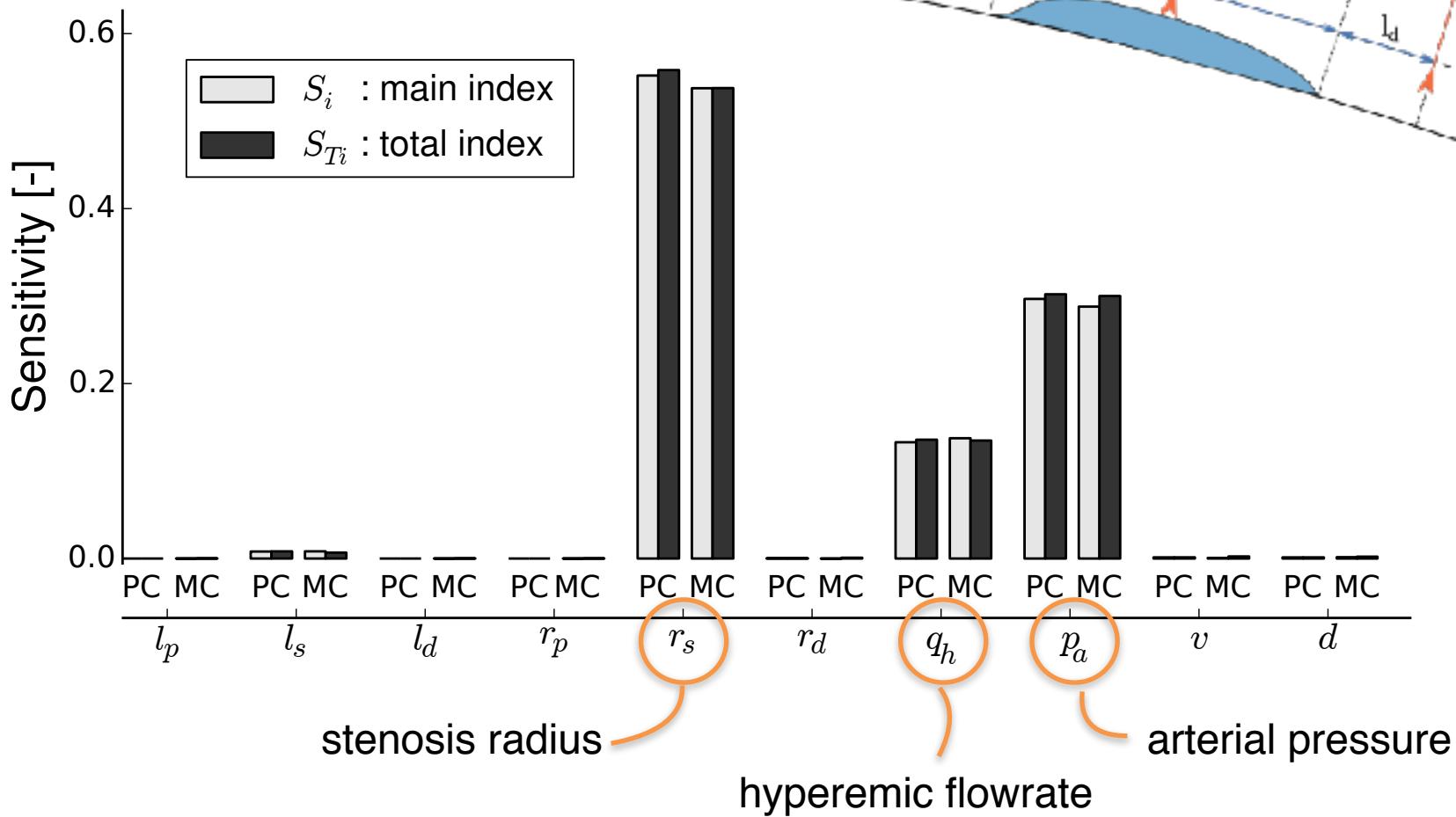
$$1 = S_1 + S_2 + S_3 + S_{12} + S_{13} + S_{23} + S_{123}$$

$$S_{T1} = S_1 + S_{12} + S_{13} + S_{123}$$

parameter fixing

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Huo FFR model



Stochastic sensitivity analysis for timing and amplitude of pressure waves in the arterial system.



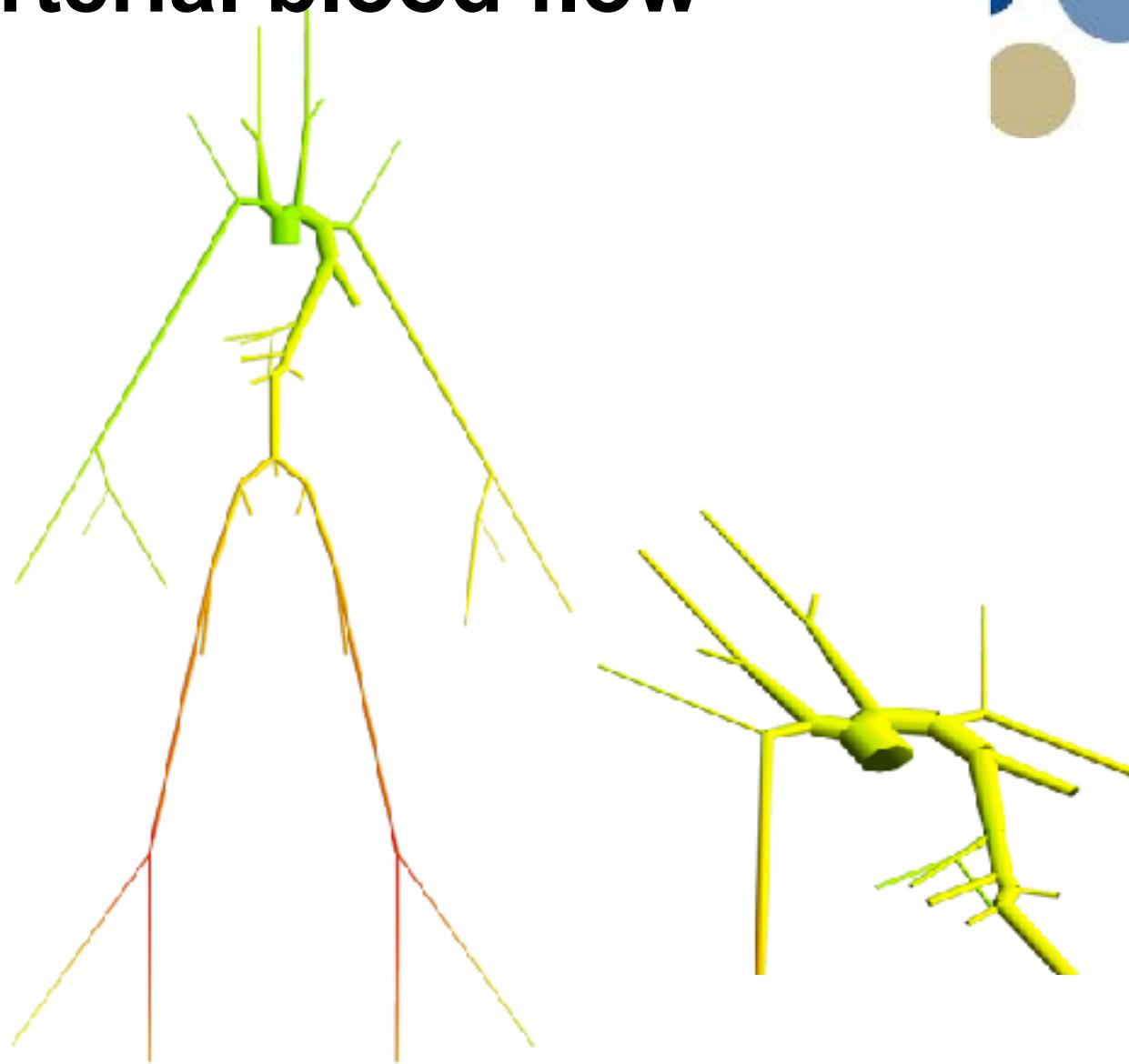
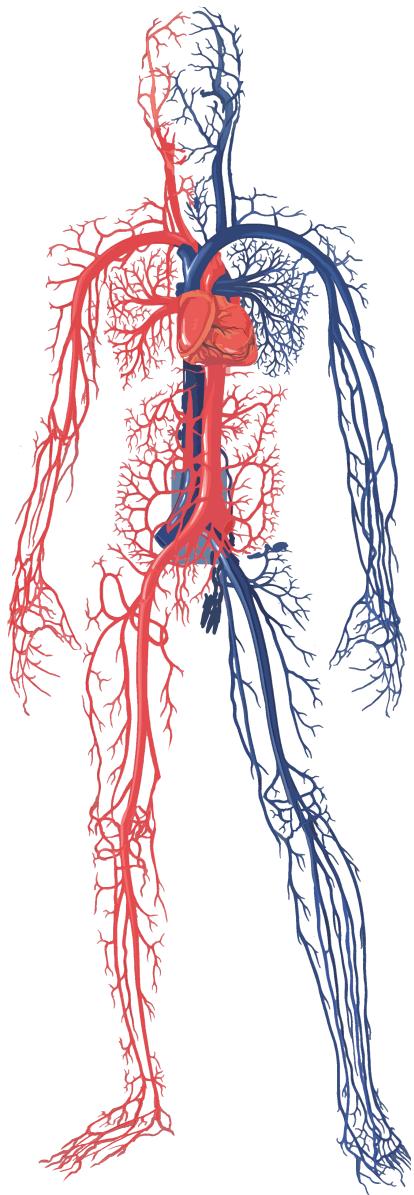
Wave propagation model

or one-dimensional blood flow model



Open source code available! www.ntnu.no/starfish

Simulating arterial blood flow

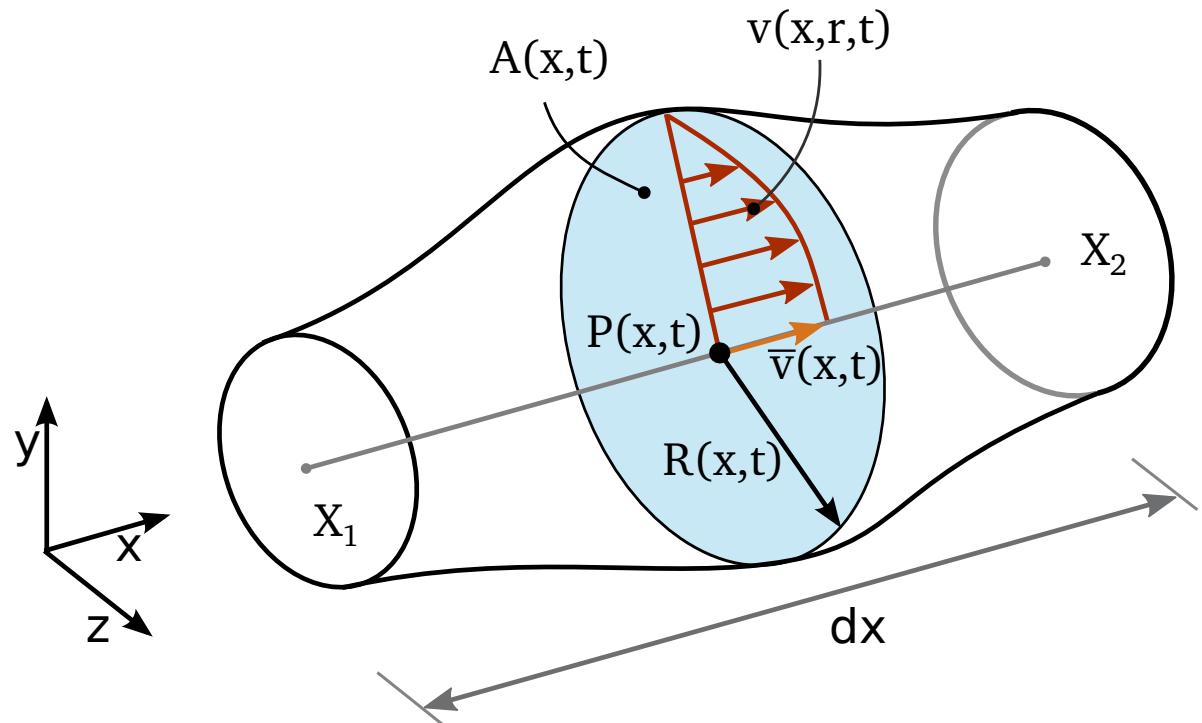


1d model solver equations

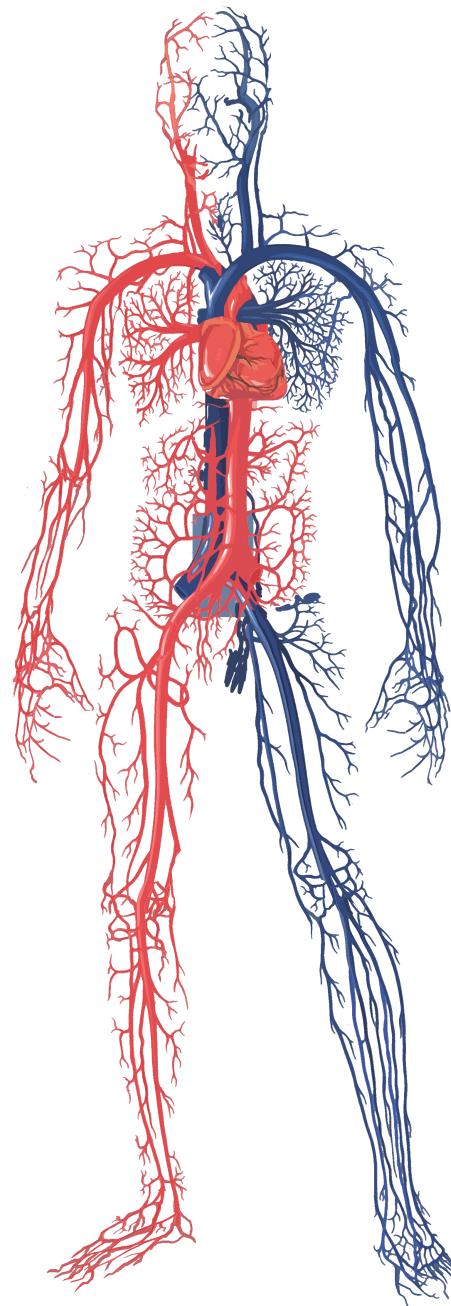
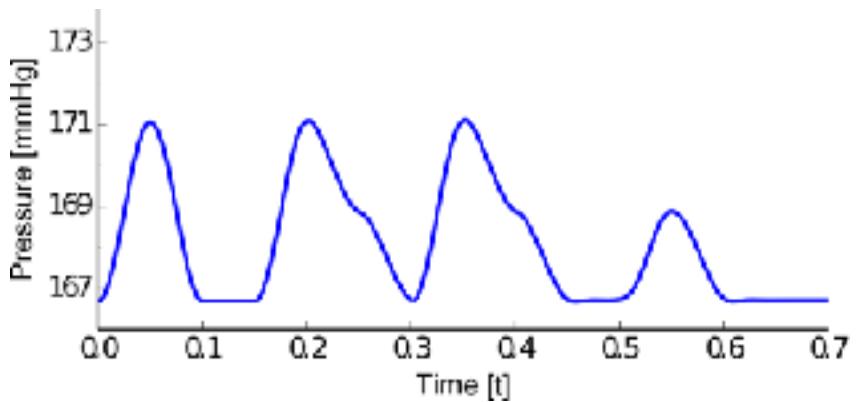
$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} = 0 \quad \text{conservation of mass}$$

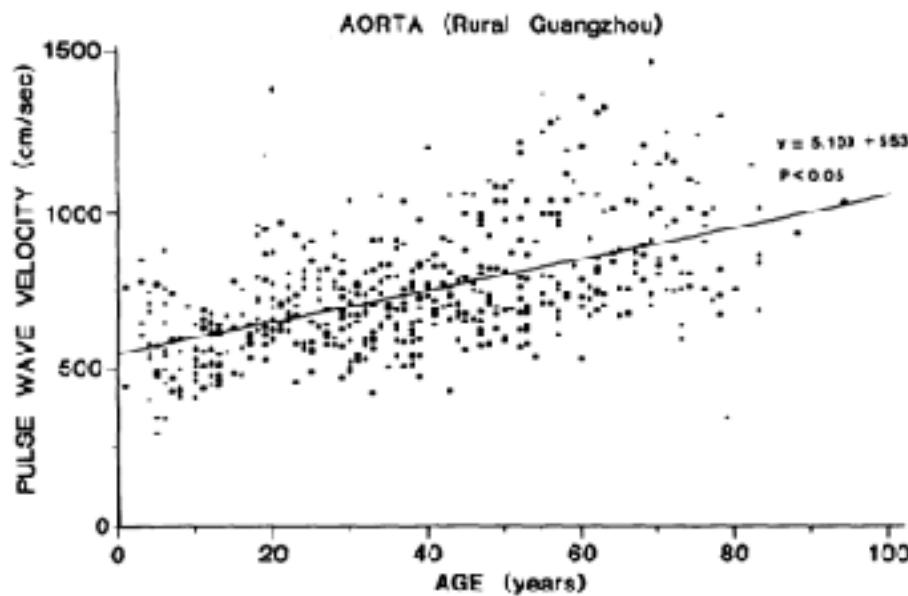
$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} + \delta \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{Q^2}{A} \right) + \frac{A}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} = -2\pi (\gamma + 2) \frac{\mu}{\rho} \frac{Q}{A} + Ag' \quad \text{conservation of momentum}$$

$$A(P) = \dots, \frac{\partial A}{\partial P} = \mathcal{C}(x, P, \dots) \quad \text{arterial wall / compliance model}$$



Wave propagation



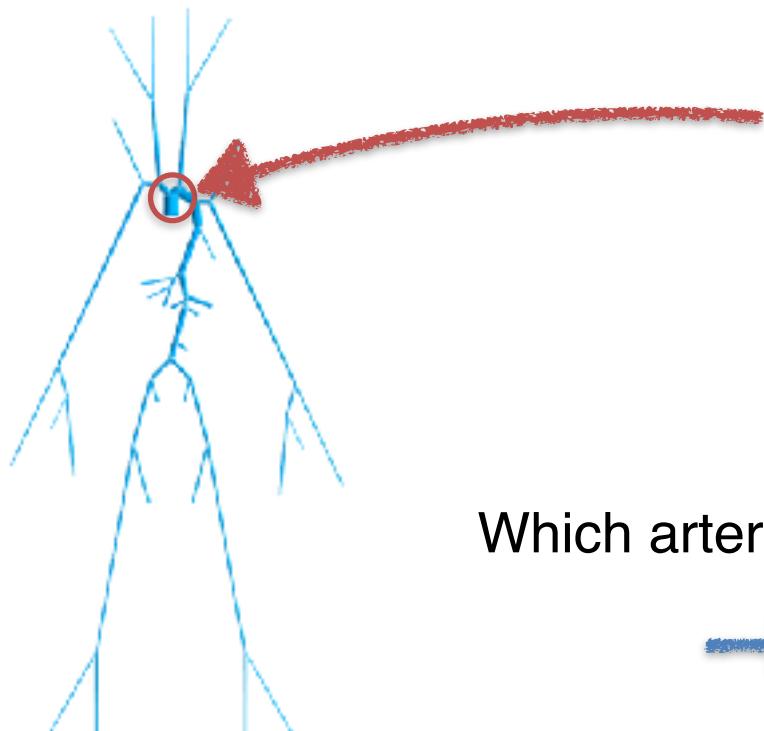


pulse wave velocity ↑

caused by arterial stiffness ↑

=> pulse pressure ↑

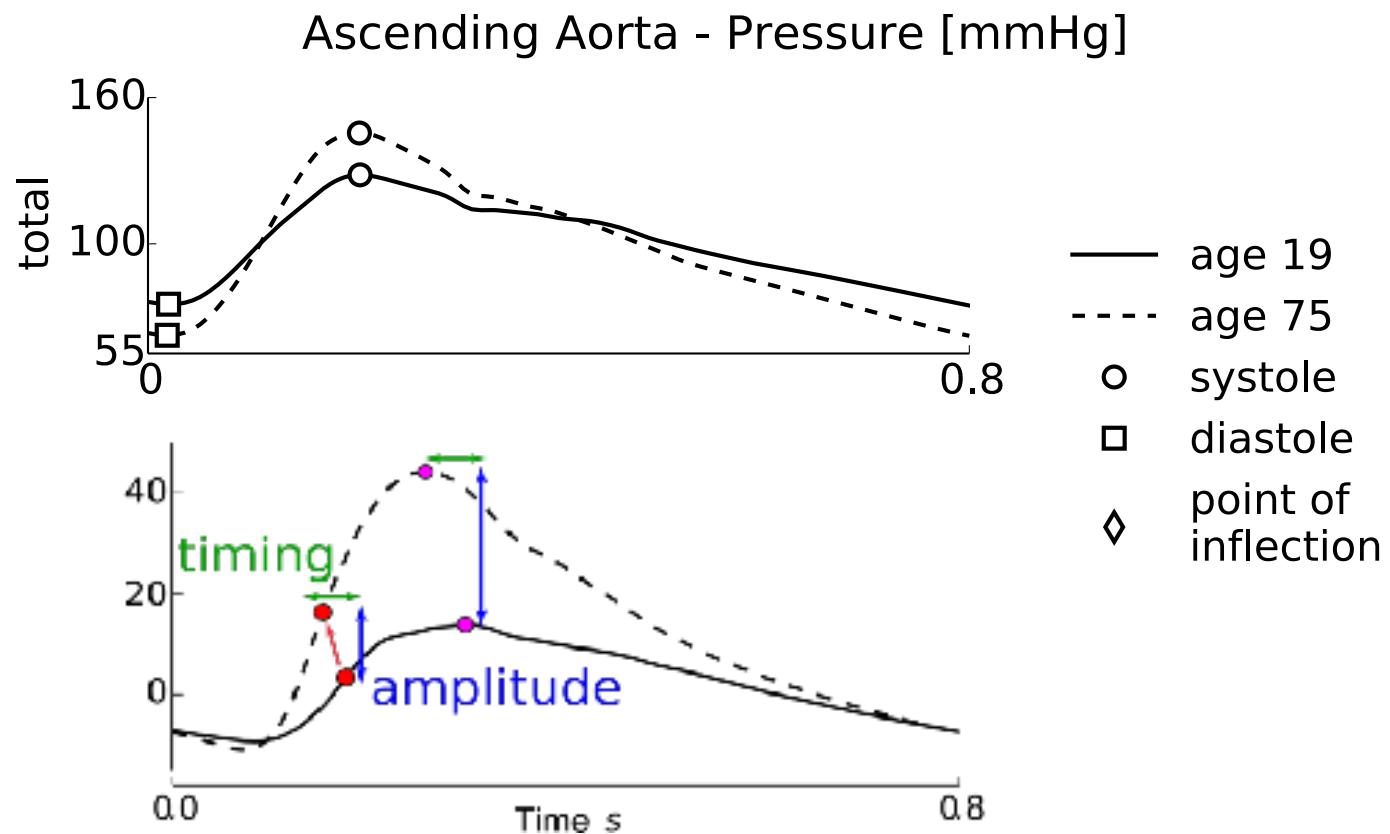
Graph from Avolio et al. 1985



Which arteries are most influential?

→ sensitivity analysis

Backward pressure wave



may lead to

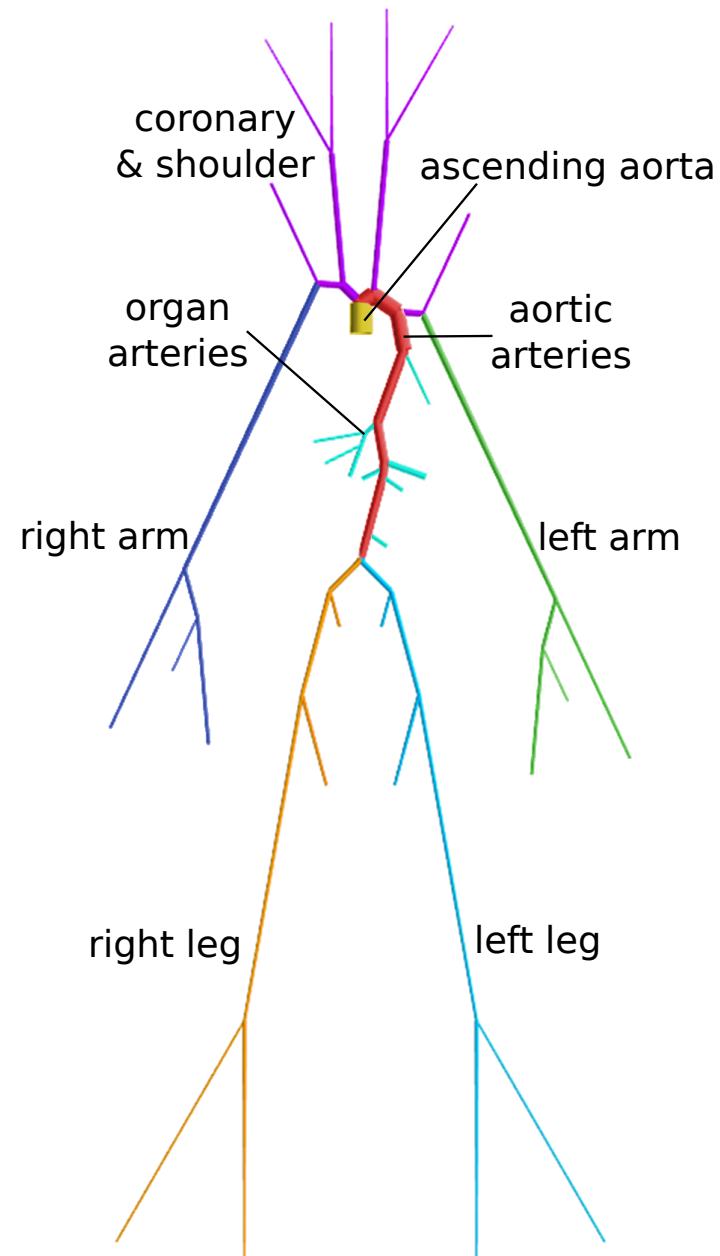
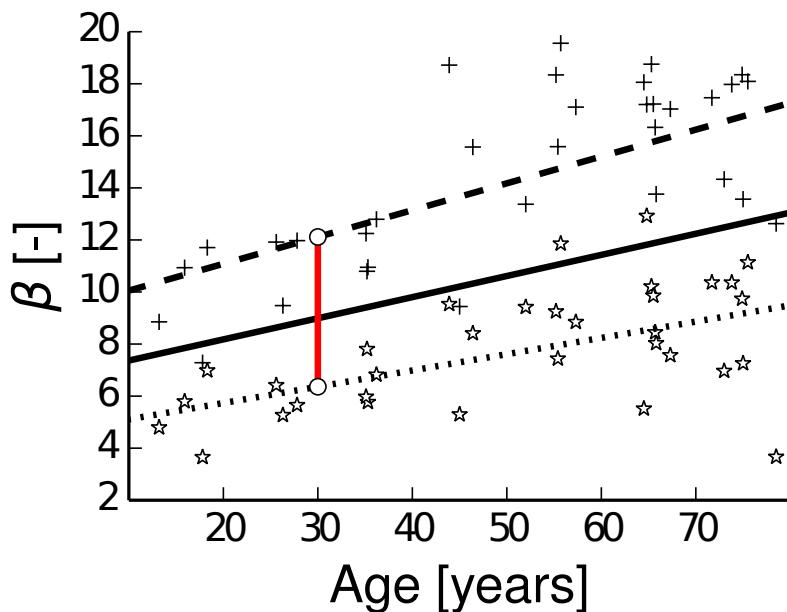
hypertension

hypertrophy of the heart

8 arterial groups

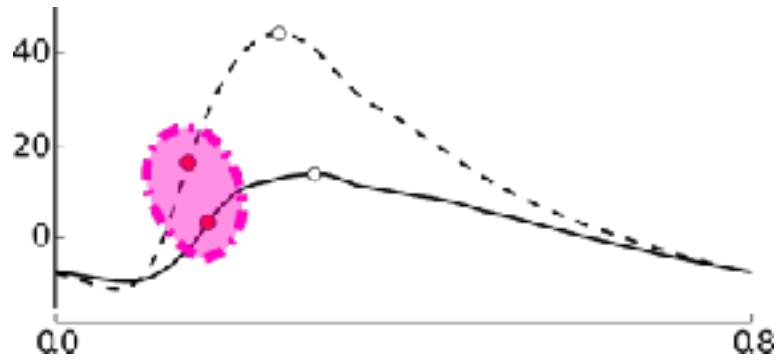
uncertain arterial stiffness in
8 groups arterial groups

$$\beta = (\beta_1 \dots \beta_8)$$

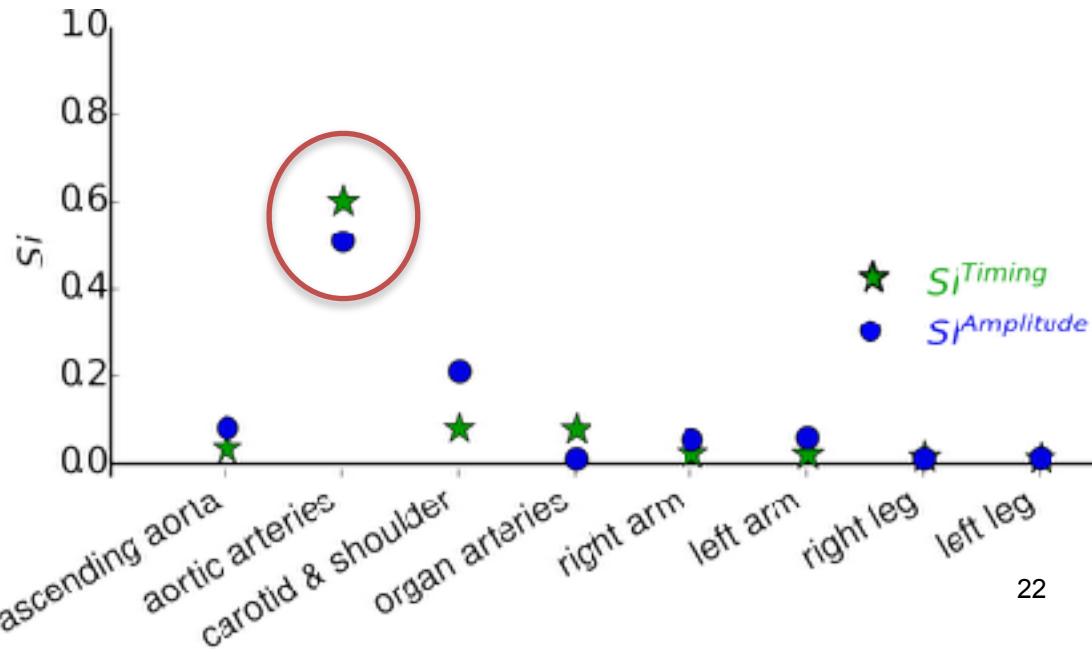
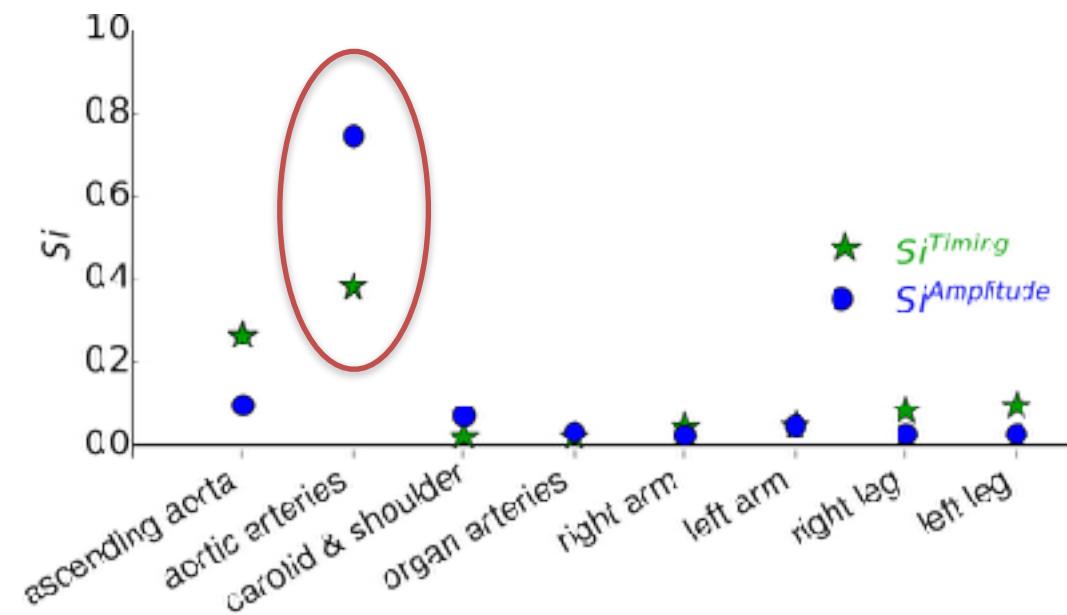
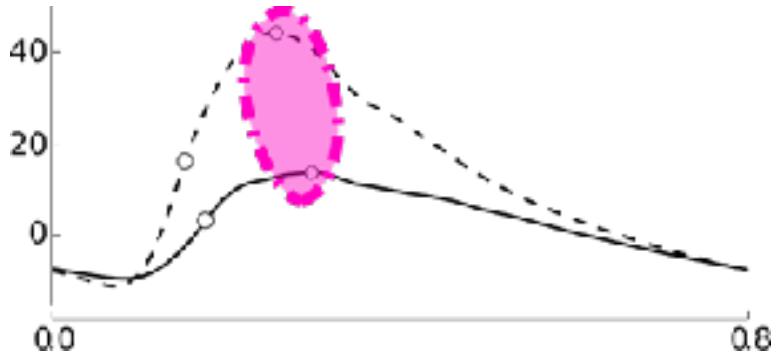


Results Sensitivity analysis

point of inflection

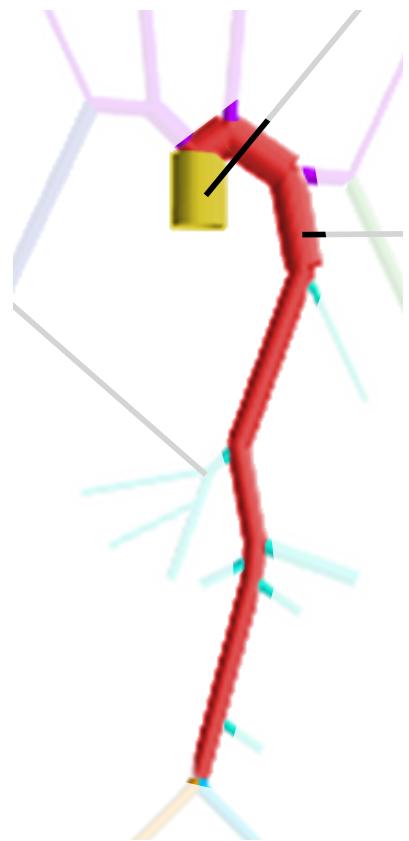
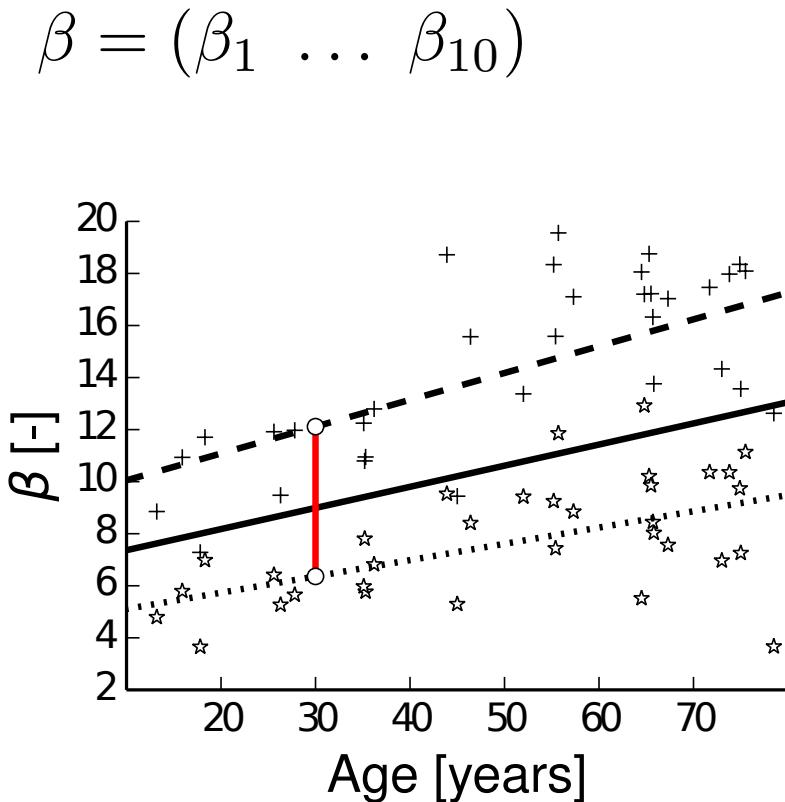


maximum pressure



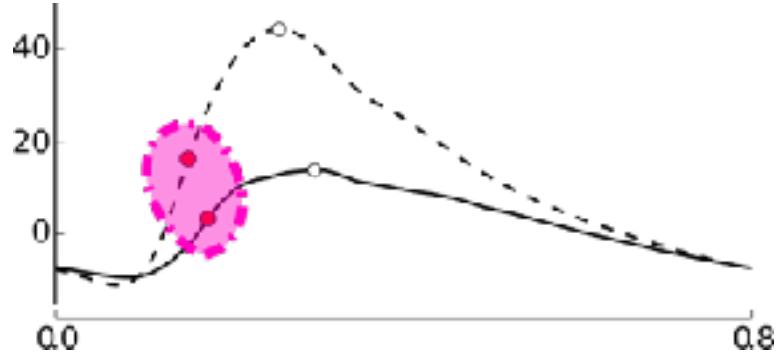
10 aortic arteries

uncertain arterial stiffness in 10 aortic arteries

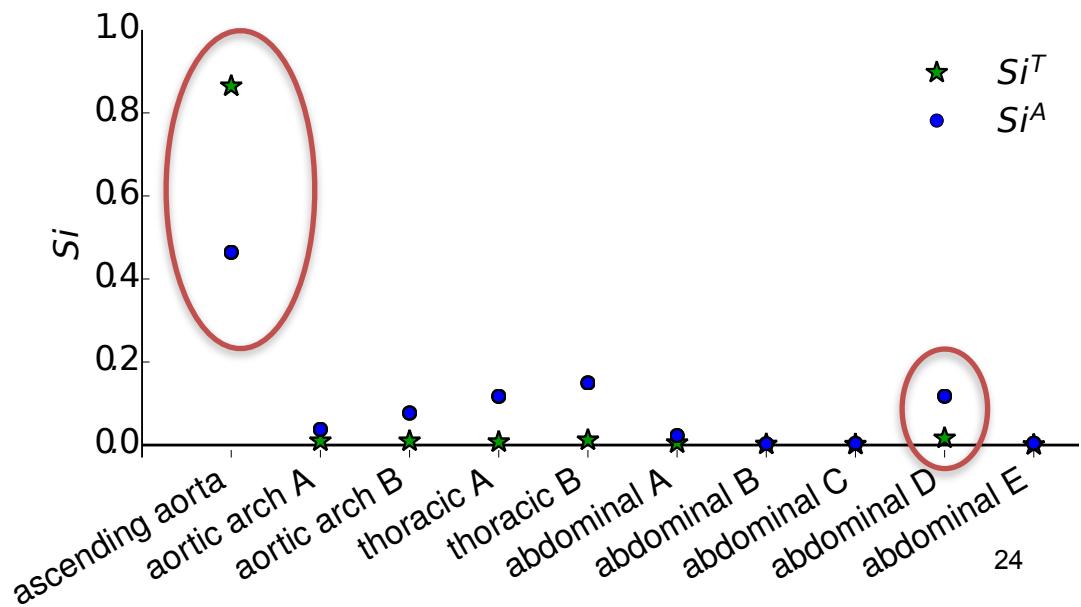
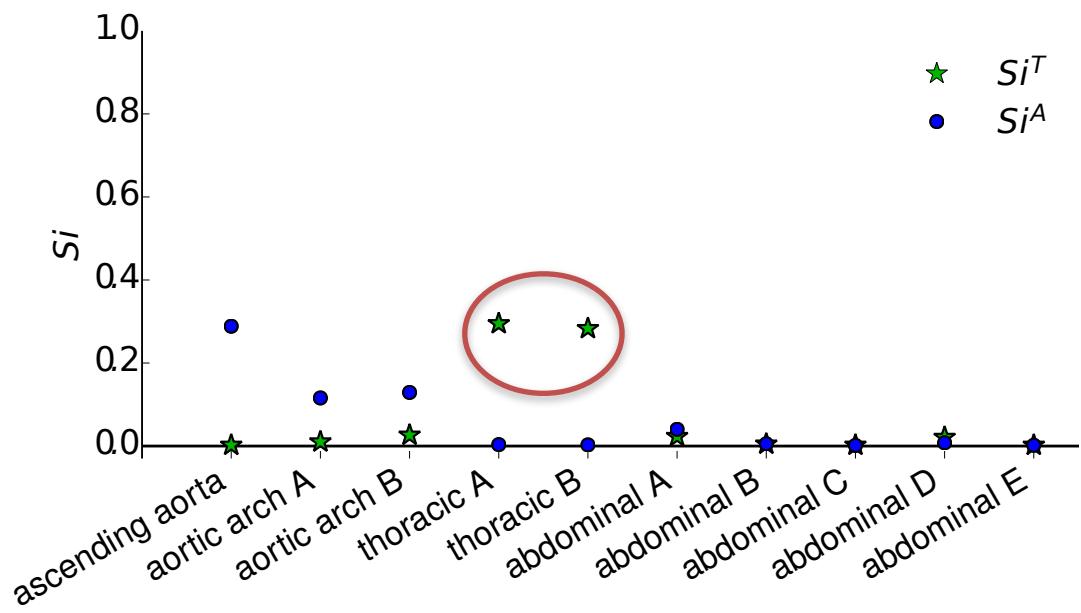
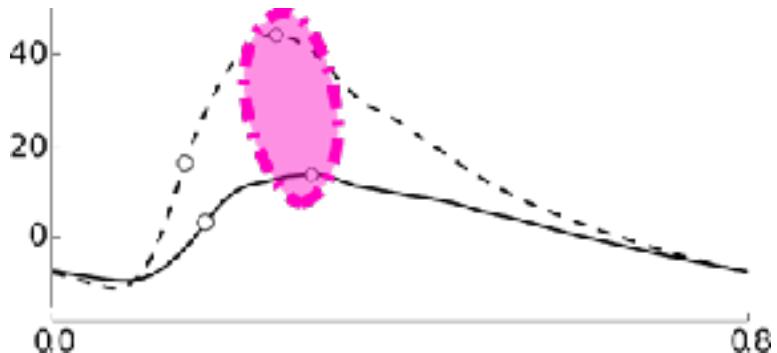


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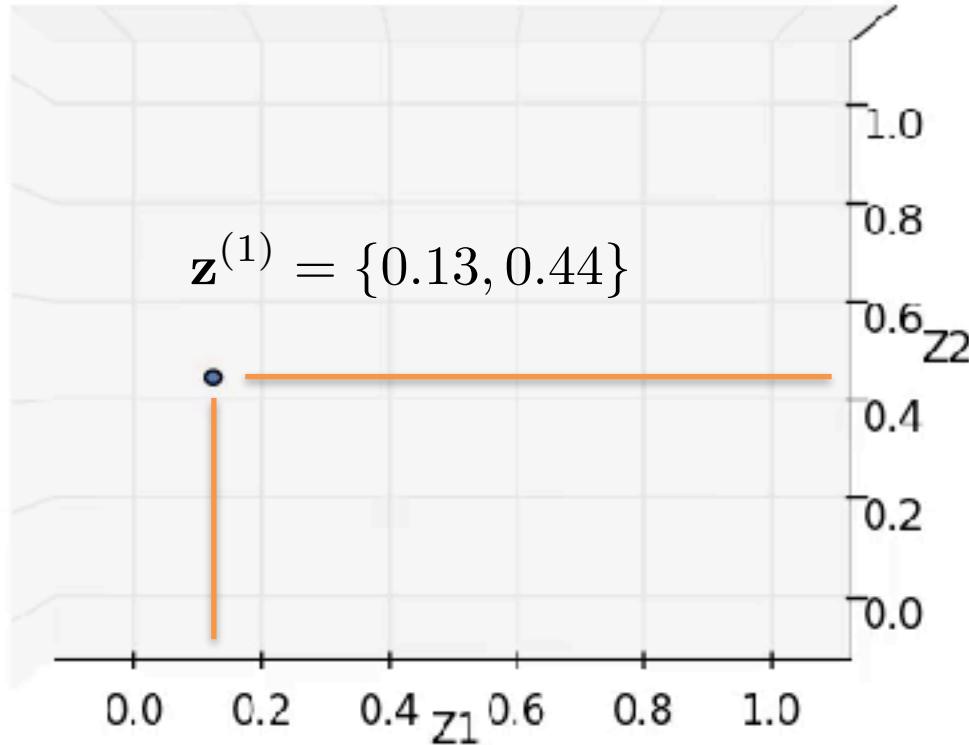
point of inflection



maximum pressure



Sampling



random variable vector

$$\mathbf{Z} = \{Z_1, Z_2\}$$

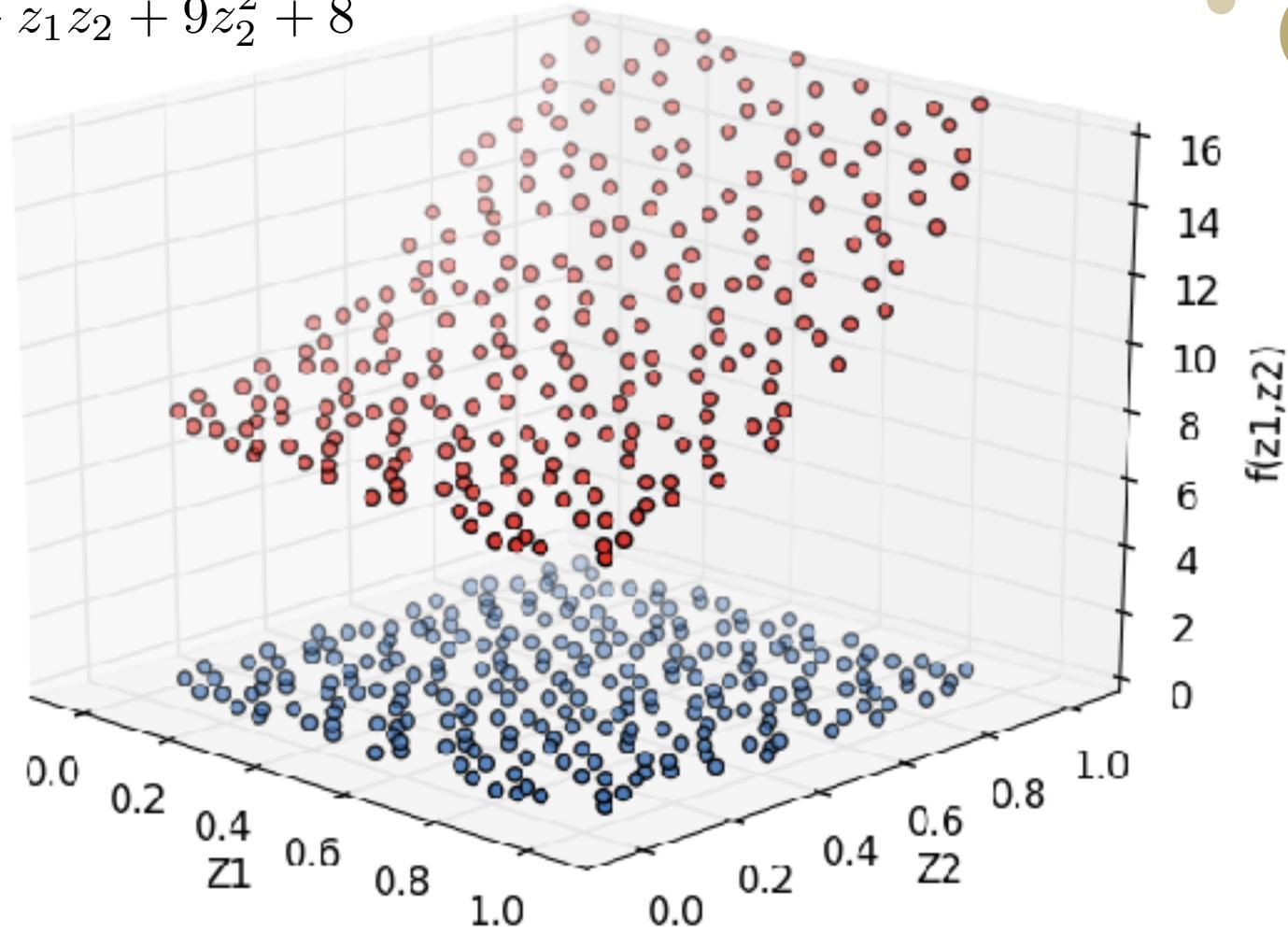
$$Z_1 \sim \mathcal{U}(0, 1), \quad Z_2 \sim \mathcal{U}(0, 1)$$

set of samples

$$\left\{ \mathbf{z}^{(s)} \right\}_{s=1}^{N_s}$$

Model evaluation

$$f(\mathbf{z}) = -z_1 + z_1 z_2 + 9z_2^2 + 8$$



$$\left\{ \mathbf{z}^{(s)} \right\}_{s=1}^{N_s}$$



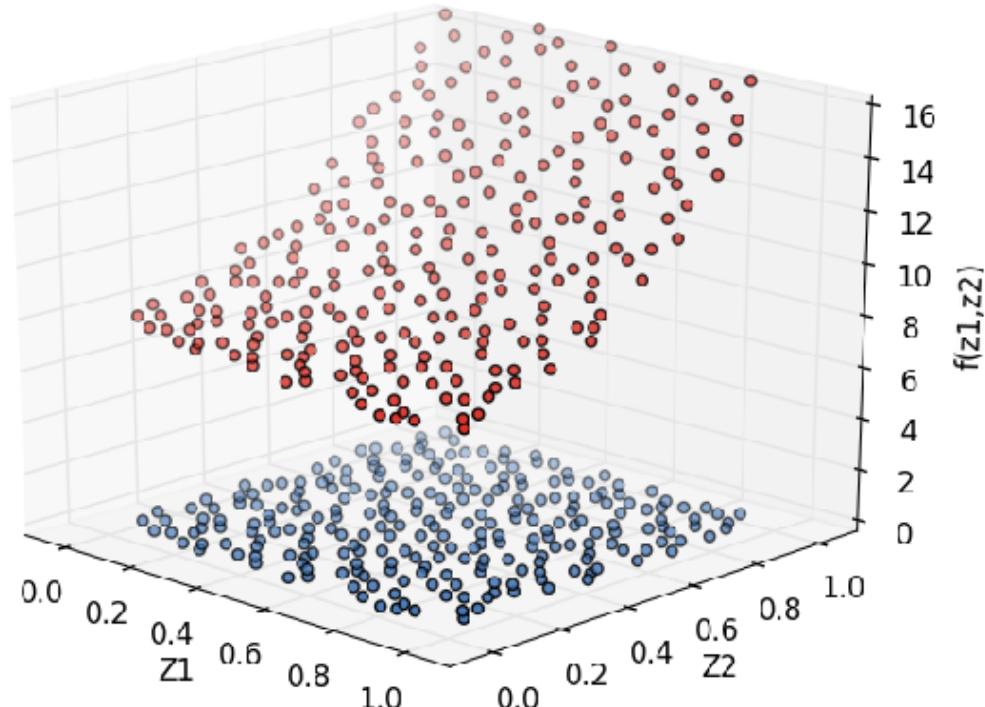
$$\mathbf{y}^{(s)} = f(\mathbf{z}^{(s)})$$



$$\left\{ \mathbf{y}^{(s)} \right\}_{s=1}^{N_s}$$

Monte Carlo method

Idea: use all model evaluations directly



$$\left\{ \mathbf{y}^{(s)} \right\}_{s=1}^{N_s}$$

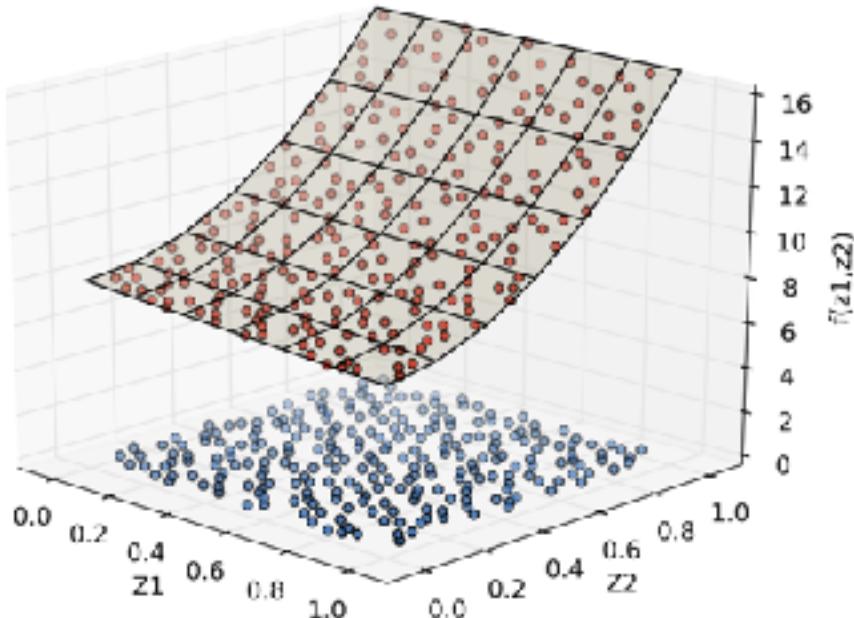
e.g.:

expected value

$$\mathbb{E} [\mathbf{Y}] \approx \frac{1}{N_S} \sum_{s=1}^{N_S} \mathbf{y}^{(s)}$$

Polynomial chaos

Idea: approximation with a spectral expansion



expansion coefficients

$$f(\mathbf{Z}) \approx \hat{f}(\mathbf{Z}) = \sum_{n=0}^{N_p} c_n \Phi_n(\mathbf{Z})$$

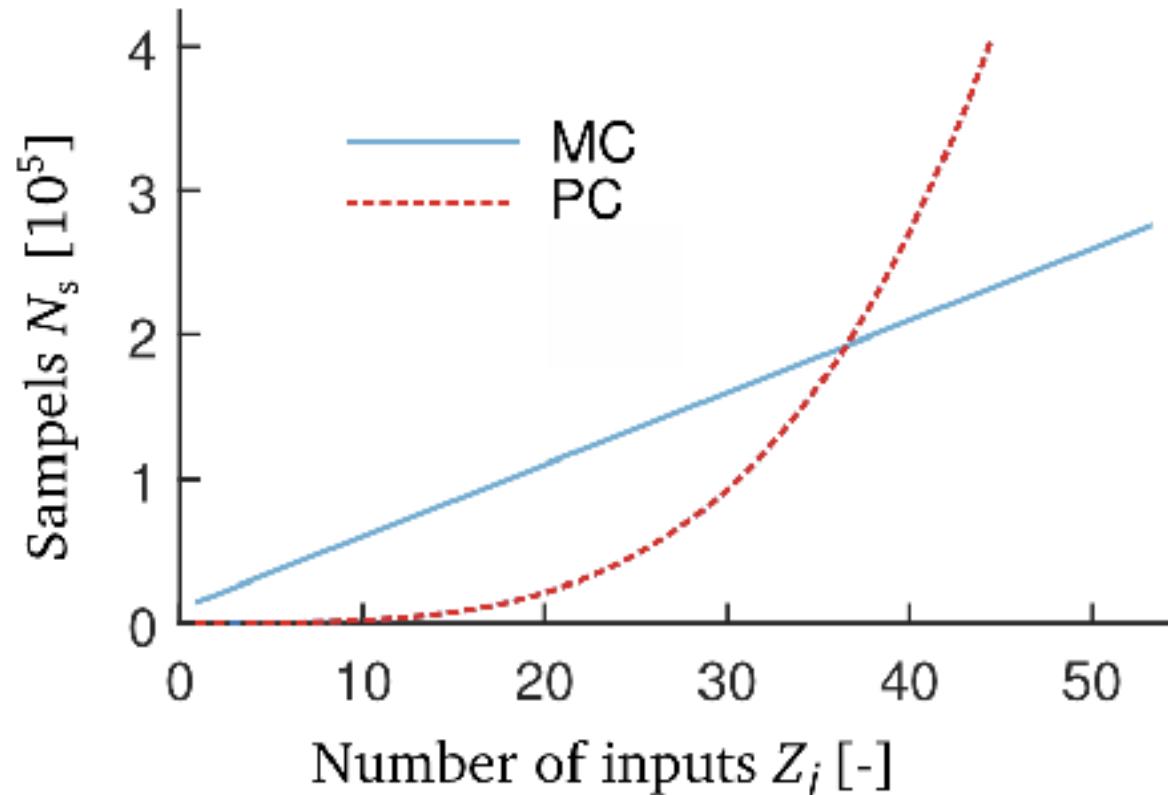
orthogonal
polynomials

e.g.:

expected value

$$\mathbb{E} [\mathbf{Y}] \approx c_0$$

Monte Carlo vs polynomial chaos



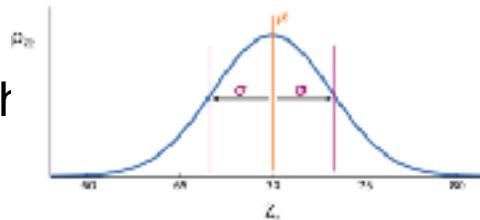
6 steps to UQ and SA

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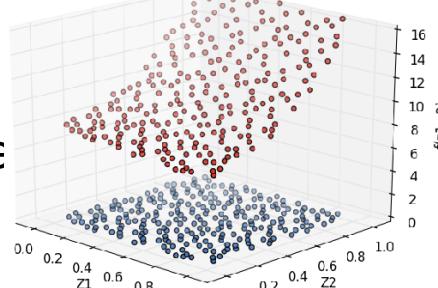
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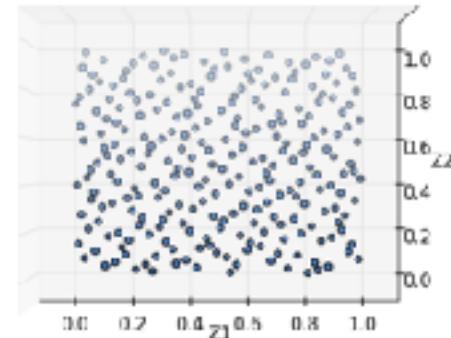
2. Identification and assessment of the distribution of the uncertain inputs



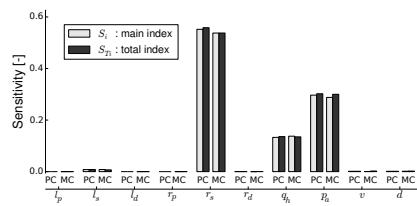
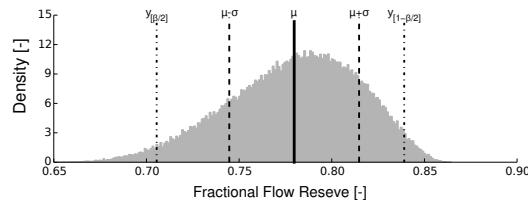
3. Sampling of the input space



4. Evaluation of the deterministic model



5. Calculation of UQ and SA measures



6. Assessment of convergence of UQ and SA measures