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# A DATA-DRIVEN APPROACH TO PREDICTIVE MULTISCALE MATERIALS MODELLING

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# Outline

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- ❑ *Exchange-Correlation Functional in DFT*: Uncertainty Quantification and Propagation
- ❑ Quantifying *uncertainties when using surrogate models* (DFT) trained with a few ab initio simulations
- ❑ *Design of Experiments*: What are the most informative simulations needed for predicting a given QoI?
- ❑ A few words on *stochastic coarse-graining*: A Bayesian generative approach
- ❑ *Scalable UQ for Multiscale Problems*: A Graph-Theoretic Approach (EP, Belief propagation, etc.)

# DFT: Exchange Correlation Energy

□ DFT energy functional (as a function of charge density):

- $E[n] = U^{\text{ext}}[n] + T^0[n] + U^{\text{ee}}[n] + E^{\text{xc}}[n]$ 
  - $U^{\text{ext}}[n]$ : Interaction with external potential
  - $T^0[n]$ : non-interacting kinetic energy
  - $U^{\text{ee}}[n]$ : classical electro-electron-interaction
  - $E^{\text{xc}}[n]$ : exchange-correlation energy, **unknown**

[R. Jones et al.](#) (1989)

[R. Jones](#) (2015)

[W. Kohn and L. Sham](#) (1965)

□ Different levels of approximations for  $E^{\text{xc}}[n] = \int n \varepsilon^{\text{xc}}(n; \mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}$

- Local density approx. (LDA)  $\varepsilon^{\text{xc}}(n; \mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon^{\text{xc}}[n(\mathbf{r})]$
- Generalized gradient approx. (GGA)  $\varepsilon^{\text{xc}}(n; \mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon^{\text{xc}}[n(\mathbf{r}), \nabla n(\mathbf{r})]$
- Meta-Generalized gradient approx. (meta-GGA) (used here)  
 $\varepsilon^{\text{xc}}(n; \mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon^{\text{xc}}[n(\mathbf{r}), \nabla n(\mathbf{r}), \tau(\mathbf{r})]$   $\left( \tau(\mathbf{r}) = 2 \sum_i' \frac{1}{2} |\nabla \psi_i(\mathbf{r})|^2 \right)$
- Hybrid (including exact exchange)

[J. P. Perdew et al.](#) (2001)

# Linear Model for the Exchange Energy

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- We work within the meta-GGA framework, it provides good cost-accuracy trade-off.

- Furthermore, *we will focus on the exchange energy only:*

$$E^x[n] = \int n \varepsilon^x(n, \nabla n, \tau) d\mathbf{r} = \int n \varepsilon_{UEG}^x(n) F^x(n, \nabla n, \tau) d\mathbf{r}$$

- We look for the *exchange enhancement factor*  $F^x(s, \alpha)$  as a linear regression model using Legendre polynomials:


$$\begin{aligned} F^x(s, \alpha) &= \sum \xi_i^x \phi_i(s, \alpha) = (\xi^x)^T \phi(s, \alpha) \\ &= \sum_i^{M_s} \sum_j^{M_\alpha} \xi_{ij}^x P_i(t_s(s)) P_j(t_\alpha(\alpha)) \end{aligned}$$

- Rescale  $s$  and  $\alpha$  on  $[-1, 1]$  based on earlier non-empirical functionals: PBEsol, MS, etc.

# Linear Model for the Exchange Energy

- The model for the exchange energy functional,  $E^x[n]$ , is:

$$E^x[n; \xi^x] = \int n \varepsilon_{UEG}^x(n) \sum_{i=1}^M \xi_i^x \phi_i(s, \alpha) d\mathbf{r}$$

Use PBE functional 

$$= \sum_{i=1}^M \xi_i^x \int n \varepsilon_{UEG}^x(n) \phi_i(s, \alpha) d\mathbf{r} = \sum_{i=0}^{M-1} \xi_i^x E^x[n; \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i] = (\xi^x)^T \mathbf{E}^x[n; \hat{\mathbf{e}}]$$

- We use a data driven Bayesian framework to find the expansion coefficients
  - Coefficients are random variables
  - The exchange energy accounts for uncertainty:
    - model error (meta-GGA framework)
    - limited data (used in the training of the model)

# Bayesian Linear Regression

□ Bayesian linear regression, we need:

- Likelihood: assume Gaussian with noise precision  $\beta$

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{t} | \mathbf{n}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \beta) = \prod_{i=1}^N \mathcal{N}(t_i | \boldsymbol{\xi}^T \mathbf{E}^x[n_i; \hat{\mathbf{e}}], \beta^{-1})$$

- Priors on parameters:

- Gaussian for coefficients  $\boldsymbol{\xi}$   $p(\boldsymbol{\xi} | \beta, \mathbf{m}_0, \mathbf{S}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\xi} | \mathbf{m}_0, \beta^{-1} \mathbf{S}_0)$

- Gamma for noise precision  $\beta$   $p(\beta | a_0, b_0) = \mathcal{G}(\beta | a_0, b_0)$

□ The resulting posterior is:

$$p(\boldsymbol{\xi}, \beta | \mathbf{t}) = \frac{\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{t} | \mathbf{n}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \beta) p(\boldsymbol{\xi}, \beta)}{\int \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{t} | \mathbf{n}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \beta) p(\boldsymbol{\xi}, \beta) d\boldsymbol{\xi} d\beta} = \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\xi} | \mathbf{m}_N, \beta^{-1} \mathbf{S}_N) \mathcal{G}(\beta | a_N, b_N)$$

□ The predictive distribution is a Student t-distribution:

$$p(\tilde{t} | \tilde{n}, \mathbf{t}) = \int p(\tilde{t} | \tilde{n}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \beta) p(\boldsymbol{\xi}, \beta | \mathbf{t}) d\boldsymbol{\xi} d\beta = St(\tilde{t} | \mu, \lambda, \nu)$$

# Relevance Vector Machine

## □ Hyperparameters?

- $a_0, b_0, \mathbf{m}_0, \mathbf{S}_0$
- Sparsity inducing prior: relevance vector machine

- $\mathbf{m}_0=0; \mathbf{S}_0=\text{diag}(\alpha^{-1}_0, \dots, \alpha^{-1}_{M-1})$

- Use of evidence approximation:

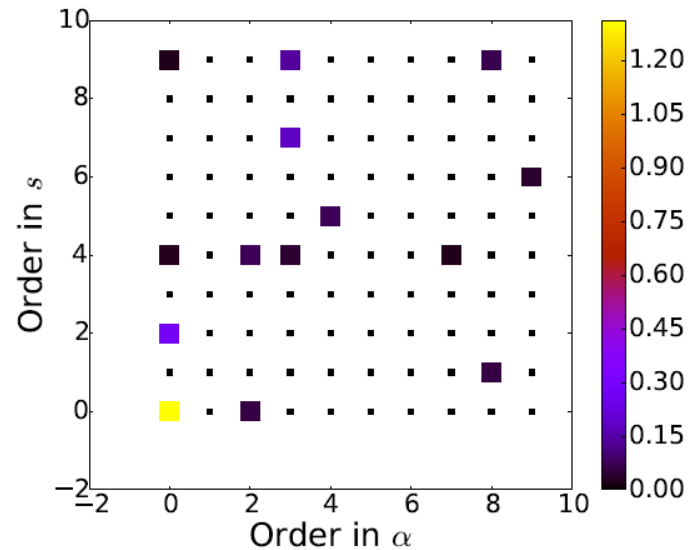
*maximize the log of the marginal likelihood:*

$$p(\mathbf{t} | \mathbf{m}_0, \mathbf{S}_0, a_0, b_0) = \int p(\mathbf{t} | \boldsymbol{\xi}, \beta) p(\boldsymbol{\xi}, \beta | \mathbf{m}_0, \mathbf{S}_0, a_0, b_0) d\boldsymbol{\xi} d\beta$$

$$\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{m}_0, \mathbf{S}_0, a_0, b_0) = \log p(\mathbf{t} | \mathbf{m}_0, \mathbf{S}_0, a_0, b_0)$$

$$\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{m}_0, \mathbf{S}_0, a_0, b_0) = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{|\mathbf{S}_N|}{|\mathbf{S}_0|} - \frac{N}{2} \log(2\pi)$$

$$+ \log \frac{\Gamma(a_N)}{\Gamma(a_0)} + a_0 \log(b_0) - a_N \log(b_N)$$



# Training Data

□ Train the model with *atomization energies* for molecules and solids.

- For a material  $M=A_{n_A}B_{n_B}\dots$

$$E_{at} = \frac{1}{N} \left( \sum_I n_I E_I - E_M \right), I = A, B, ..$$

□ In solids, we can add *indirect measurements* using an equation of state (adds extra uncertainty):

- Given the *atomization energy* ( $E_0$ ), *equilibrium volume* ( $V_0$ ), *bulk modulus and pressure derivative* ( $B_0, B_1$ ) we can obtain the energy of the strained material:

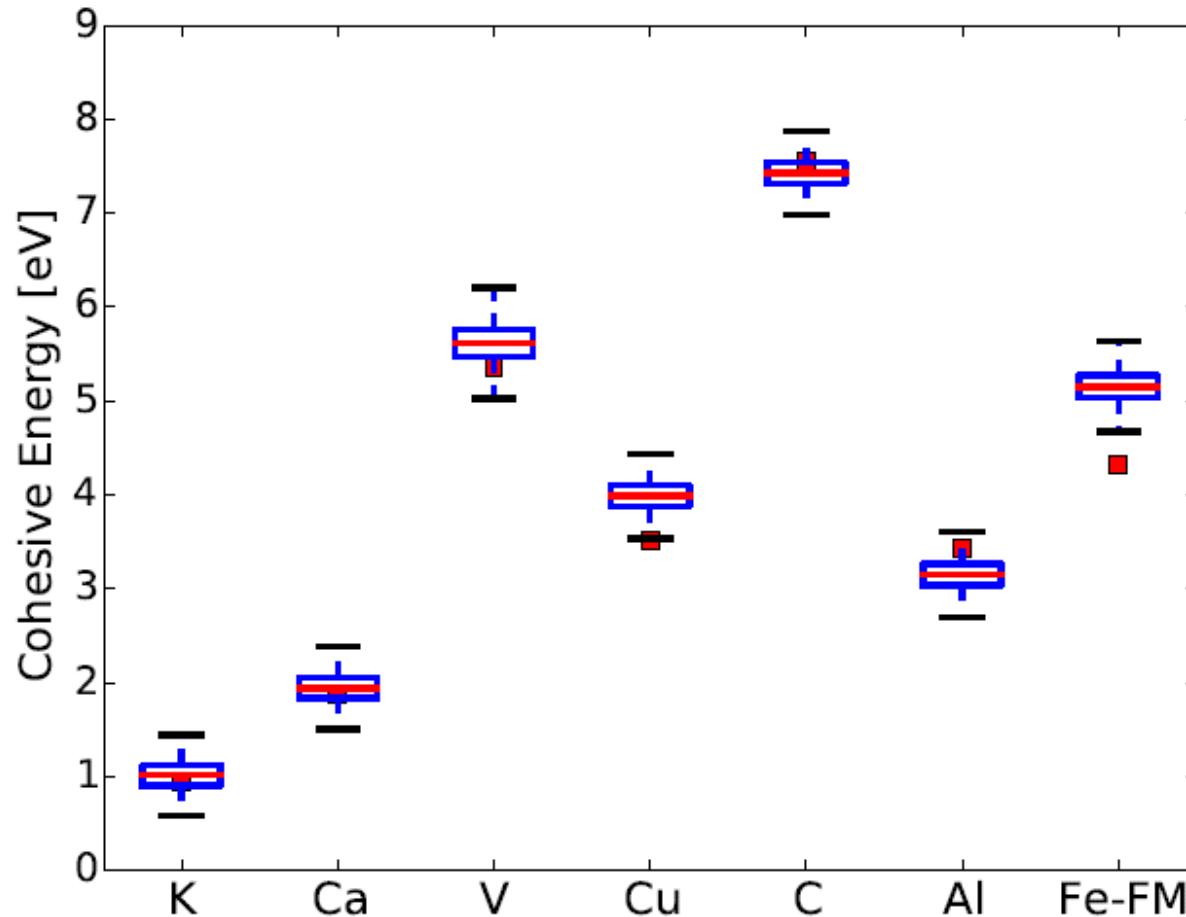
$$E(V) = a + b \frac{V_0^{1/3}}{V^{1/3}} + c \frac{V_0^{2/3}}{V^{2/3}} + d \frac{V_0}{V} = \gamma^T \phi(V)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 18 & 10 & 4 & 0 \\ 108 & 50 & 16 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \gamma = \begin{pmatrix} -E_0 \\ 0 \\ 9V_0 B_0 \\ 27V_0 B_0 B_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{A. B. Alchagirov et al. (2001)}$$



# Atomization Energies

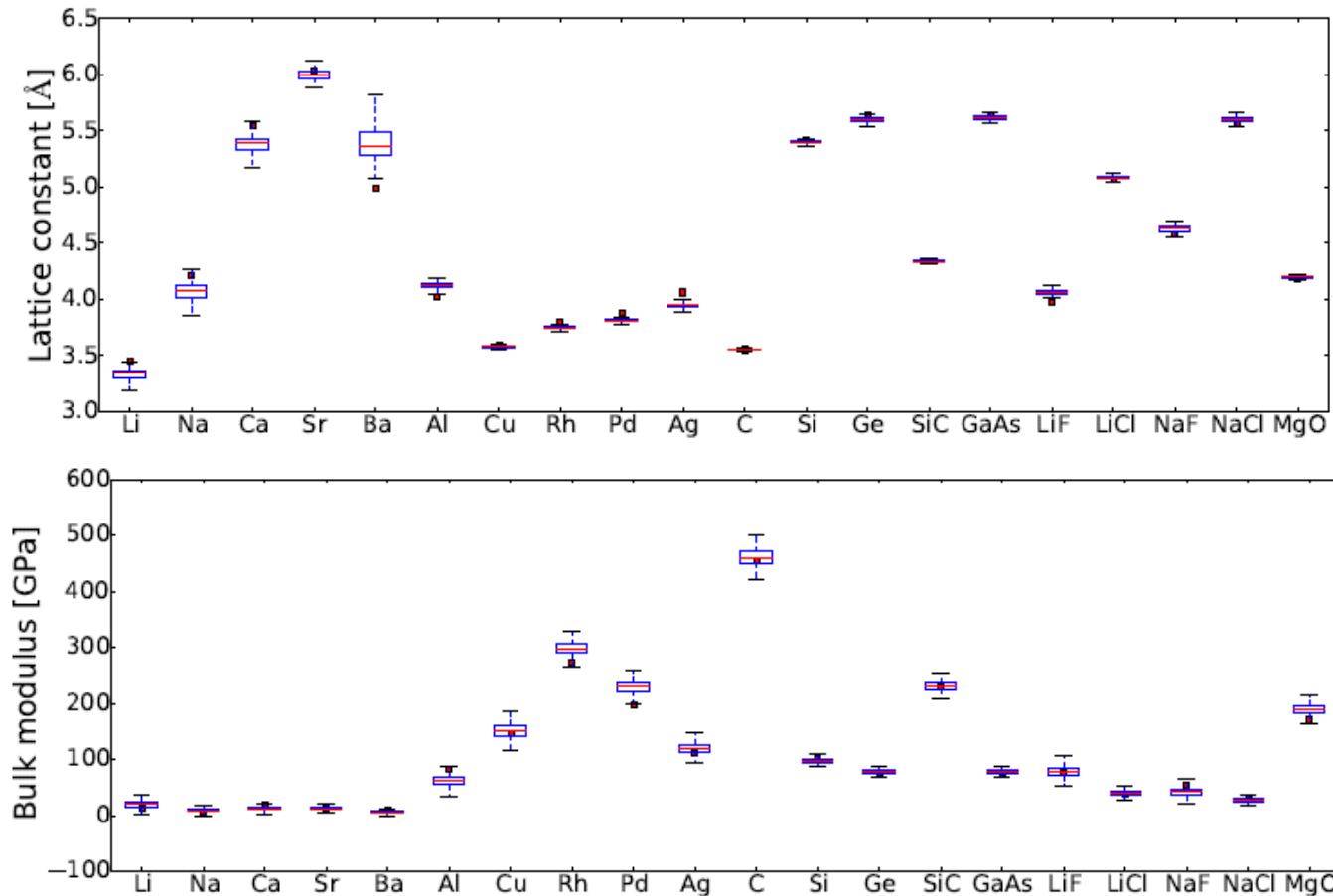
- Predicting cohesive (atomization) energies:
  - Explicit expression (Student t-distribution)



M. Aldegunde, J. Kermode, N. Zabaras,, JCP (2016)

# Lattice Constants and Bulk Moduli

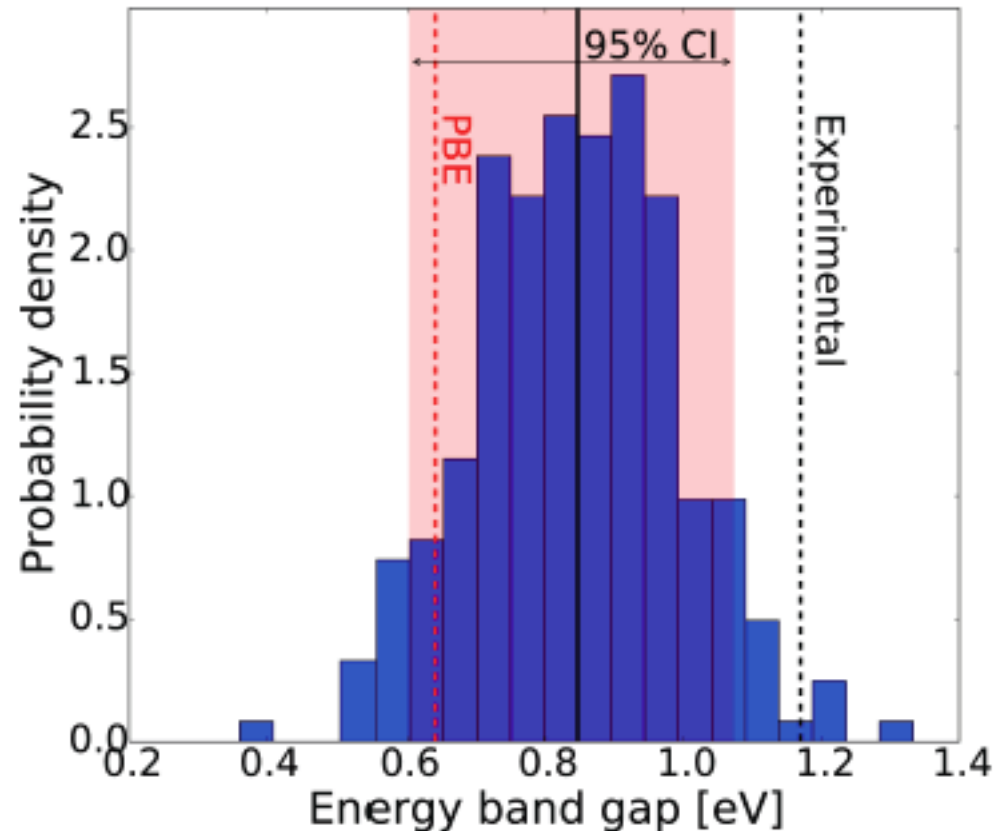
- Run self-consistently for five different strains to compute  $n_i^*$  (use  $m_N$  as the average model)
- Sample from  $p(\xi, \beta|t)$  and run non-self consistent simulation using  $n_i^*$
- Fit the EOS to the values from this X energy (Bayesian fit)
- Sample coefficients from the fitting  $p(\gamma|E)$  to calculate  $V_0, B_0, B_1$



# Uncertainty in band structure: DFT

- ❑ We run a self-consistent calculation of the solid of interest (PBE)
- ❑ Calculate band structure with fixed density
- ❑ For each sample of the XC coefficients different band structure

- Histogram of the band gap of Silicon obtained from sampling realizations of the XC functional.
- Black vertical line: average XC functional.
- Red dotted vertical line: PBE functional.
- Black dotted vertical line: experimental value.

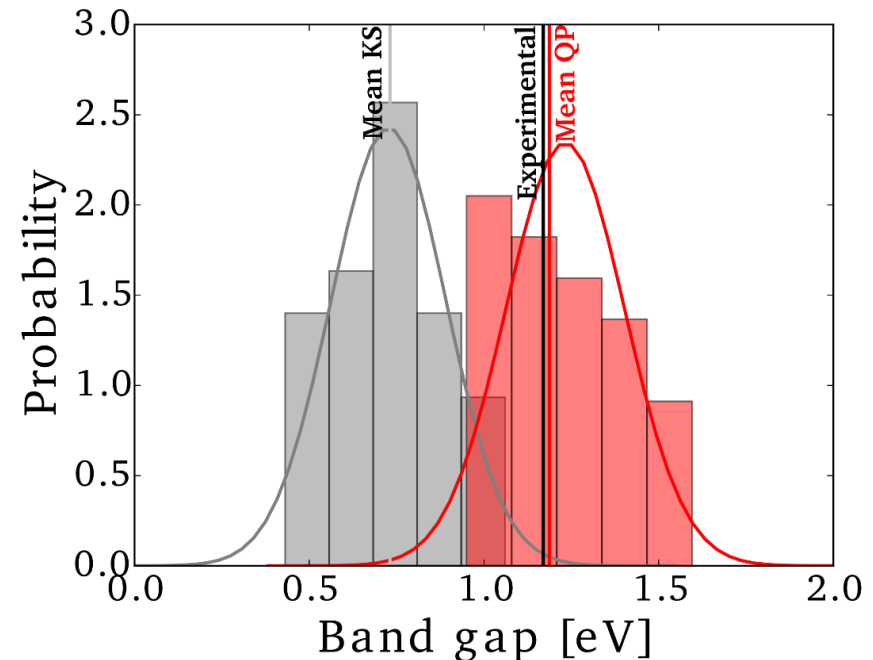


*Semilocal XC functionals cannot reproduce the experimental data* <sup>11</sup>

# UQ in Band Structure: Quasi-Particle Approximation

- Use GW approximation of the self-energy  $\Sigma = iGW^*$  of many-body system of electrons. Modelling the interaction of charged particles with the polarization they induce in the surrounding medium (QP).
- Approximate the quasi-particle energies non-self consistently as a correction to the KS energies (GPAW) -  $G_0W_0$  quasi-particle approximation.
- The results will depend on the XC coefficients sample and this will give rise to a probability model for the band structure

Example: **Band gap of bulk Si** from Kohn-Sham (KS) energies (**grey**) and from the  $G_0W_0$  approximation (QP) (**red**). The experimental (**black**) and mean values are shown as vertical lines for reference.



\* G=Green's function of the single particle,  
W=Screened Coulomb interaction

# WHY SURROGATES WORK IN ALLOY MODELING?

- ❑ Replace VASP response surface with surrogate model
  - What should the surrogate model be?
- ❑ Quantum Mechanical energy invariant under space group operations of the lattice
  - Surrogate must account for this
- ❑ Possible (and popular) surrogate in alloy modeling:
  - The Cluster Expansion\*

Expansion coefficients (ECI)

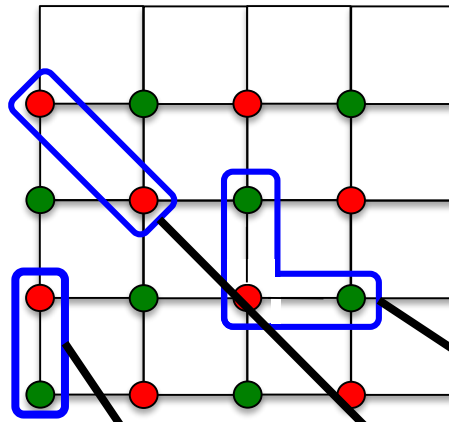
$$E^{(i)} = \sum_F J_F \langle \Pi_F \rangle_{\sigma^{(i)}} \quad \text{Correlation functions (Basis)}$$

Accounts for symmetries

\*J. M. Sanchez, F. Ducastelle, and D. Gratias, *Physica A* 128, 334 (1984).

# THE CLUSTER EXPANSION

- ❑ Corresponds to: Multidimensional discrete Fourier transform\*
- ❑ Generalized Ising model (map atoms to integers)
- ❑ For binary alloys correlation functions reduce to simple products of atoms  $\sigma$  on atomic sites:



$$E^{(t)} = J_0 + J_1 \sum_i \sigma_i^{(t)} + J_{2,1} \sum_{i,j} \sigma_i^{(t)} \sigma_j^{(t)} + \dots + J_{3,1} \sum_{i,j,k} \sigma_i^{(t)} \sigma_j^{(t)} \sigma_k^{(t)} + \dots$$

(Not general  
in this form)

\*Sanchez, J. M. *Physical Review B* 81.22 (2010)

# PARAMETRIZATION

- Infinite series: True response surface is part of parametrization class
- Truncation required:
  - How do we choose truncated parametrization?

$$E^{(t)} = J_0 + J_1 \sum_i \sigma_i^{(t)} + J_{2,1} \sum_{i,j} \sigma_i^{(t)} \sigma_j^{(t)} + \cdots + J_{3,1} \sum_{i,j,k} \sigma_i^{(t)} \sigma_j^{(t)} \sigma_k^{(t)} + \cdots$$

$$\gamma = (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}, 0, \cdots, \mathbf{1}, \cdots)$$

$$\beta_\gamma = (J_0, J_1, 0, \cdots, J_{3,1}, \cdots)$$

$$\theta = (\gamma, \beta_\gamma)$$

$$E^{(i)} = \sum_F J_F \langle \Pi_F \rangle_{\sigma^{(i)}} \longrightarrow \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\beta}_\gamma + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

# Uncertainty on the QoI

- Observe data set  $D$  and form the posterior

Posterior on QoI

$$p(I|D, \cdot) = \int d\theta \delta(\underbrace{\hat{I}[f(\cdot; \theta)]}_{\text{Determined by QoI}} - I) \underbrace{p(\theta|D, \cdot)}_{\text{We need to model this}}$$

- Our choice, using Laplace-inspired priors on the ECI:

$$p(\theta|D) \propto \Gamma(k) B(k, p - k + 1) \|\mathbf{J}\|_1^{-k} \|y - X\mathbf{J}\|_2^{-n}$$

$k$  = model complexity  
(# of clusters)

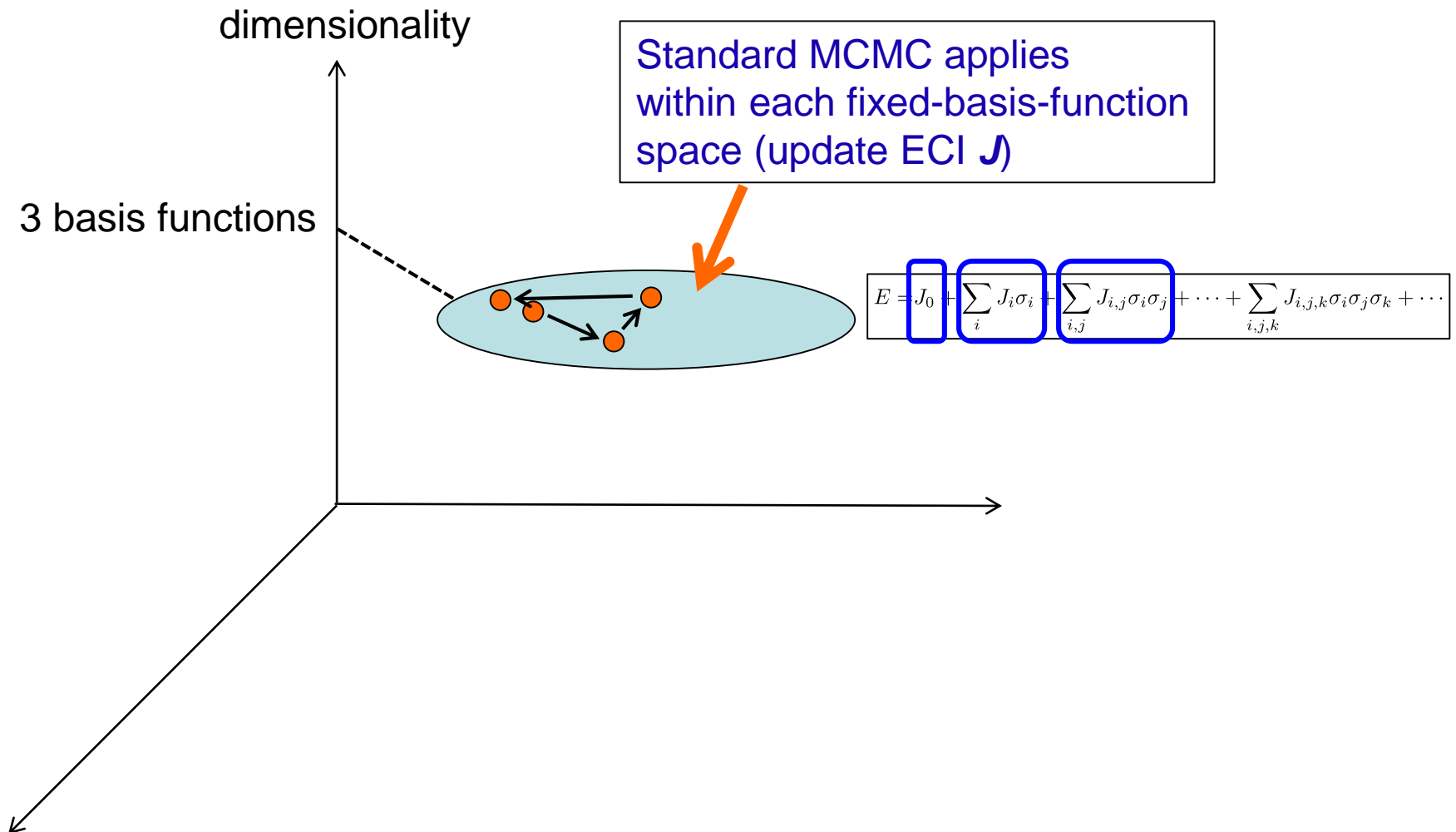
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- Expectations wrt.  $p(\cdot)$  are not in closed form!
- Solution: We need to sample from it**
  - Standard Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) does not suffice
  - Solution: Use RJMCMC\***

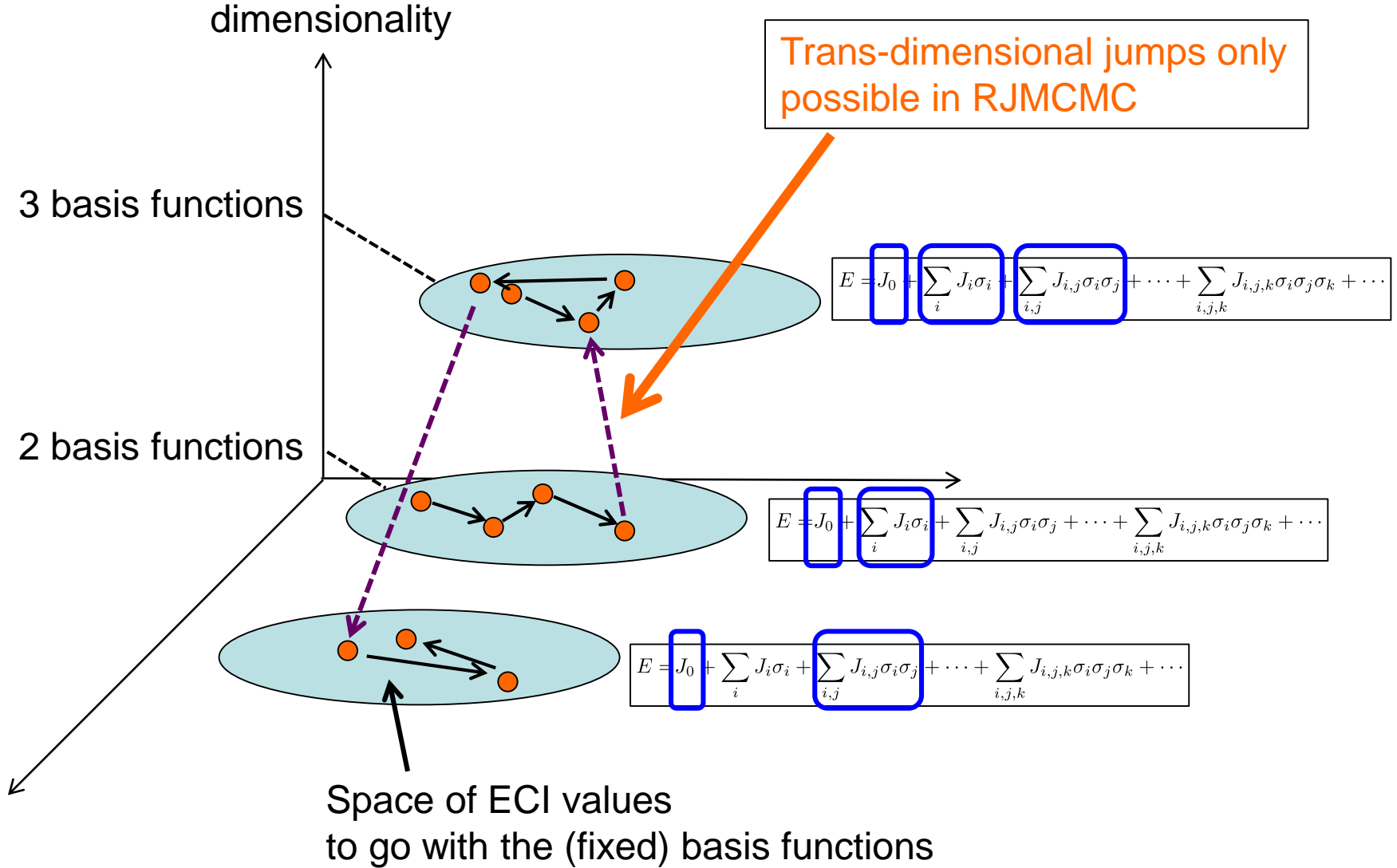
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# Visualizing RJMCMC



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# Ground State Predictions

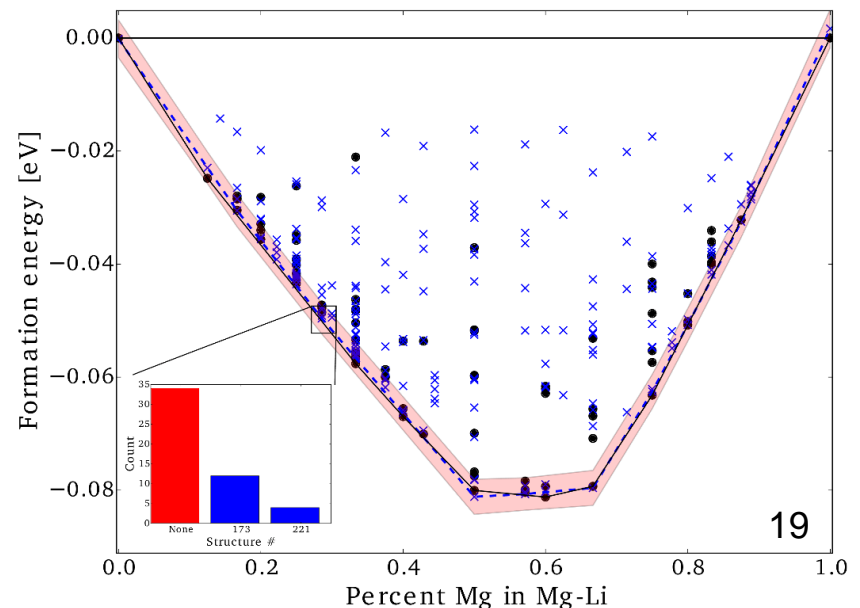
- Fit ECI to formation energies (from DFT)

$$\Delta E(\sigma|\gamma) = \sum_{i=0}^M \gamma_i \phi_i(\sigma)$$

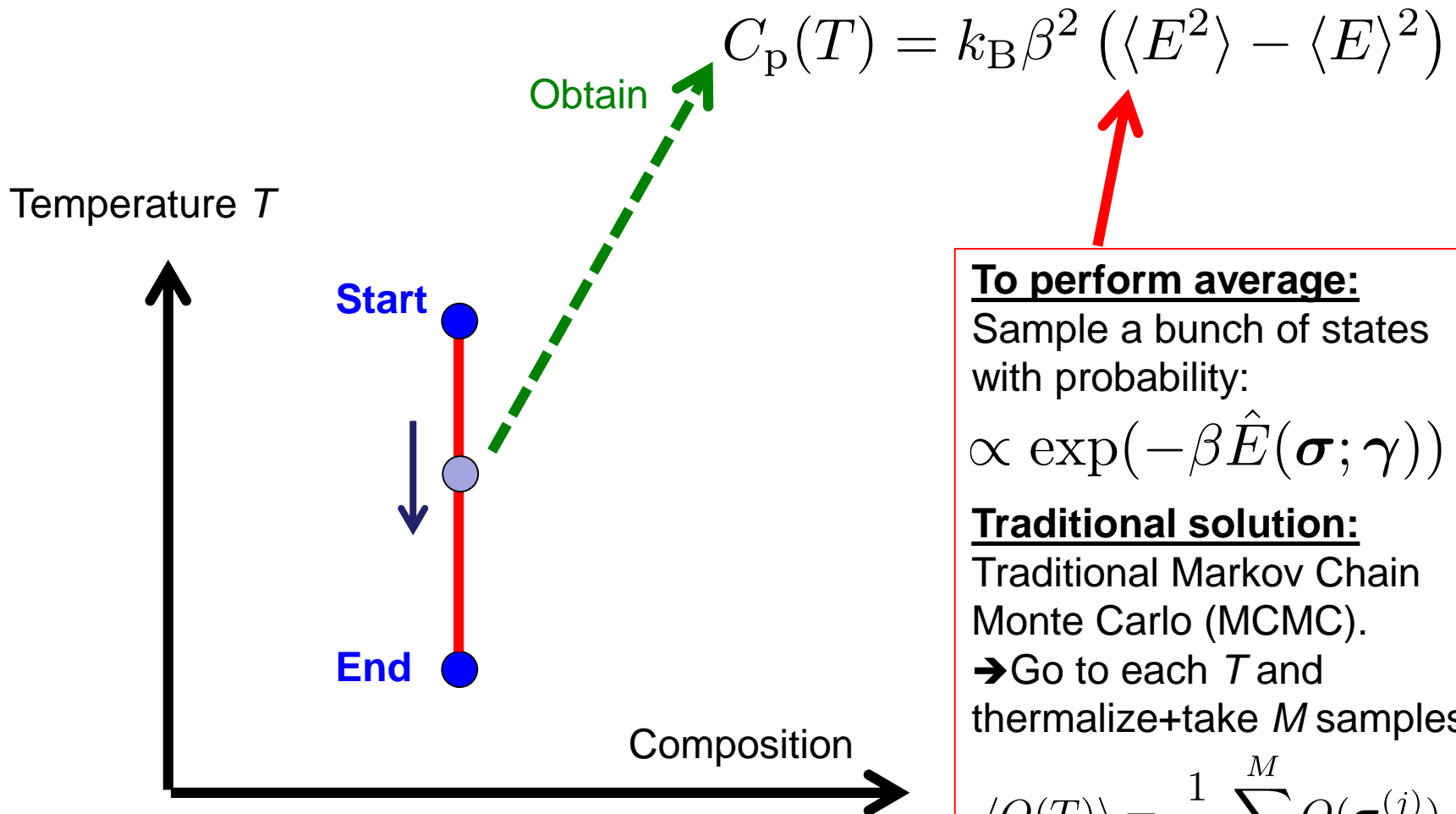
- Training values for the formation energies obtained from DFT simulations
- Training configurations generated by the *maps* tool in ATAT
- Uncertainty in predicted energy and also structures forming the GSL*

Example: Formation energies of MgLi from DFT (black circles) and CE (blue crosses). Also shown the ground state line from DFT (black) and from CE (dashed blue with red confidence interval). Results using up to 5 point clusters.

The inset shows uncertainty in the structures forming the GSL. Red bar indicates the DFT prediction



# COMPUTING THERMODYNAMIC QUANTITIES



## To perform average:

Sample a bunch of states with probability:

$$\propto \exp(-\beta \hat{E}(\sigma; \gamma))$$

## Traditional solution:

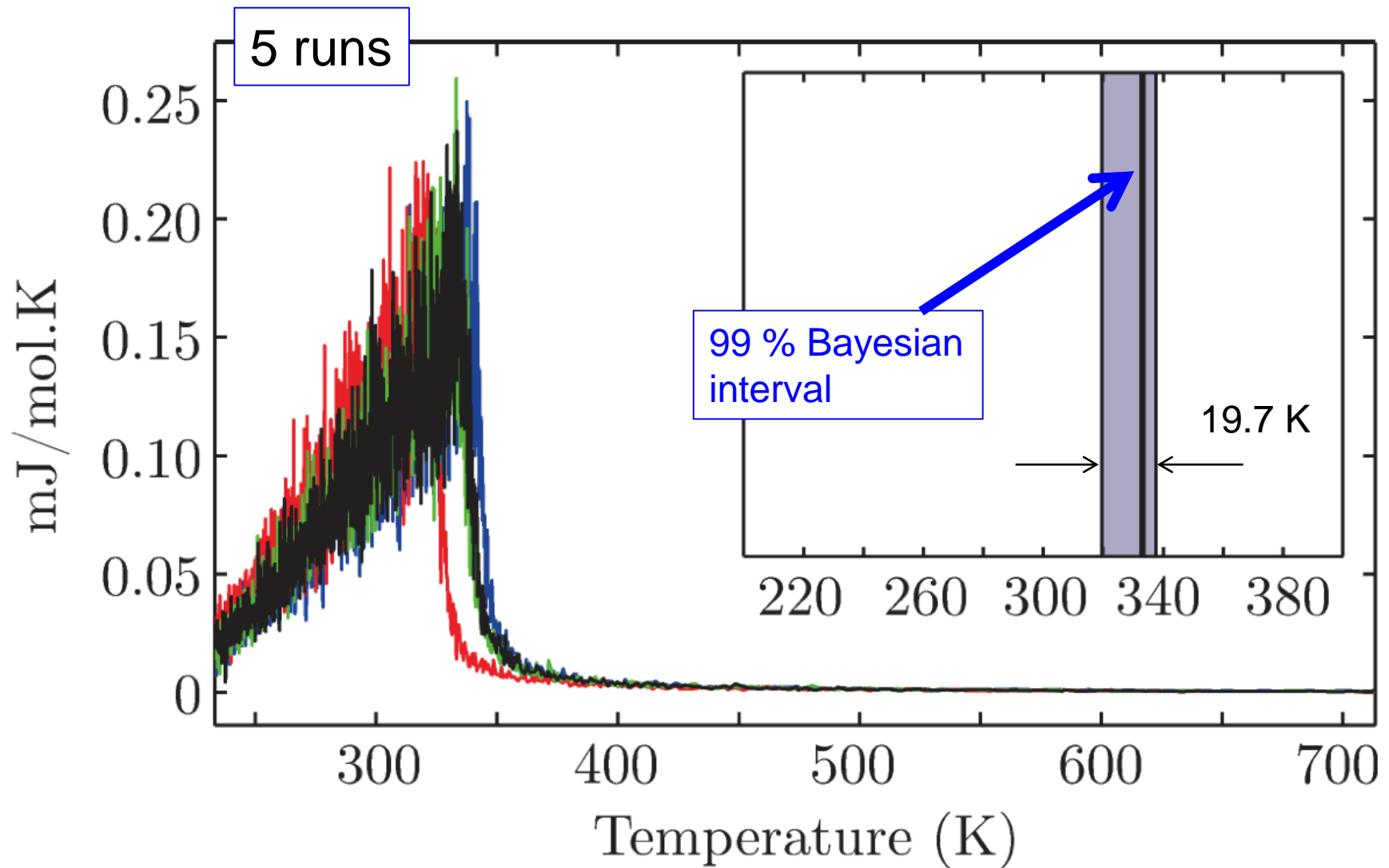
Traditional Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC).

→ Go to each  $T$  and thermalize+take  $M$  samples.

$$\langle Q(T) \rangle = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{j=1}^M Q(\sigma^{(j)})$$

A peak (divergence in the limit of an infinite lattice) in the specific heat signals the phase transition.

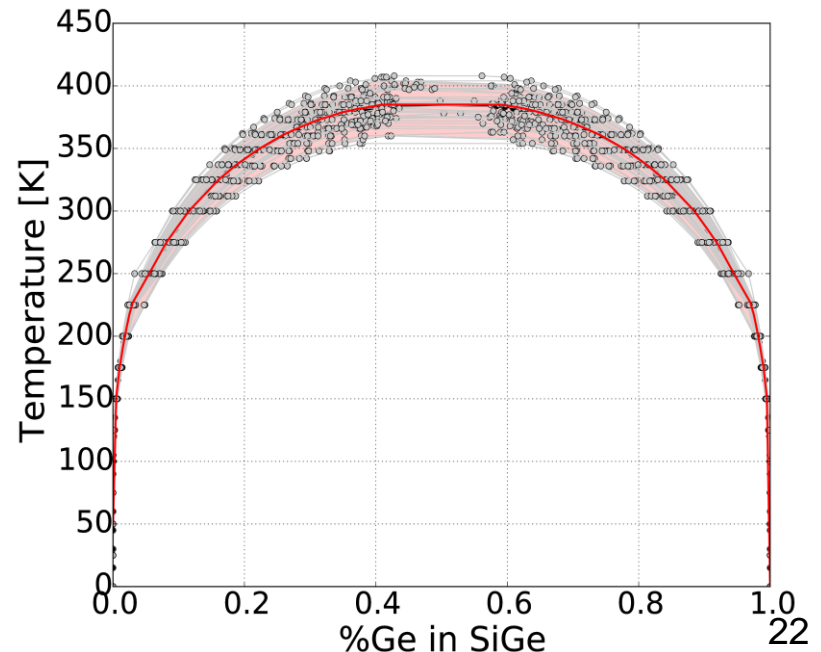
# "ERROR BARS" ON PHASE TRANSITIONS



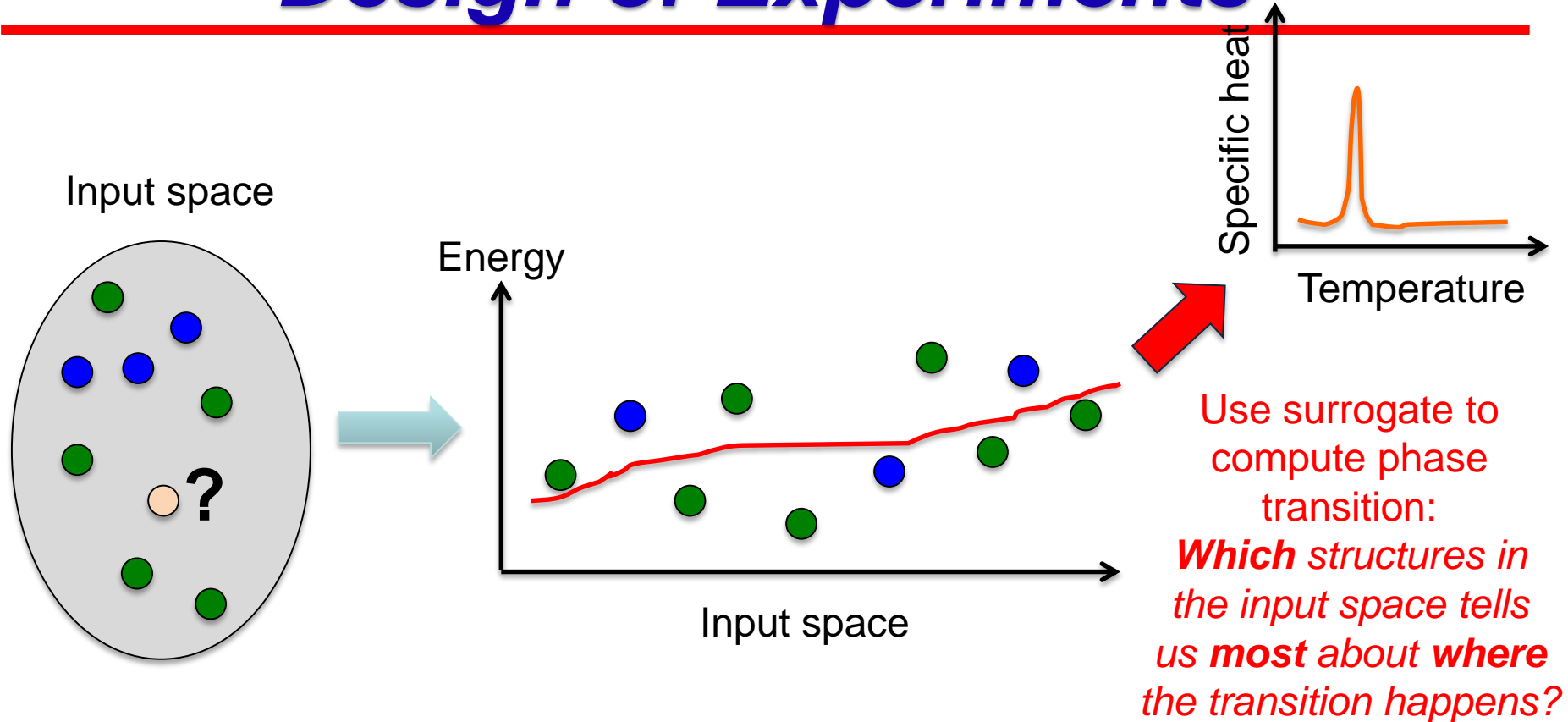
# Phase Diagram: SiGe

- ATAT also calculates phase boundaries with using “*phb*”
- ECI sampling → different realizations of the phase diagram
- Uncertainty in the phase diagram using a Monte Carlo approach

Example: Phase diagram of SiGe. **Red line**: median of the simulations with the 95% confidence interval. **Black line** (below red line): result with ATAT's ECI. **Grey lines**: realisations with different ECI



# Design of Experiments



How do we find structures that are maximally informative about the thermodynamic quantity of interest (under a budget)?

# Bayesian Design of Experiments

- Denote a set of thermodynamic parameters  $\omega$ 
  - Temperature, pressure, concentration, etc.
- We consider quantities of interest in the form
$$\sigma^*(\omega) = \arg \min_{\sigma} G(\sigma, \omega)$$
where the arg min must satisfy any  $\omega$  constraints
- $G$  is the thermodynamic potential whose minimization gives the thermodynamically stable structures at  $\omega$
- For ground state structures of binary alloy  $A_xB_{1-x}$  (phase diagram at  $T=0$ ),  $\omega = \{x\}$  where  $x$  is the concentration



# Bayesian Design of Experiments

- Consider *the improvement* offered by a candidate structure:

$$I(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega}, \tilde{G}) = \max \left\{ 0, \underbrace{G_N(\tilde{\omega})}_{\text{What we have now (observed)}}, \underbrace{\tilde{G}}_{\text{Candidate promises this via surrogate predictive distribution}} \right\}$$

- But  $\tilde{G}$  is hypothetical: it is predicted by the CE surrogate (thus function of  $\gamma$ ), so we don't know which  $\tilde{G}$  to use
  - Therefore, take the expectation of  $I(\dots)$  to integrate out this lack of knowledge:

Expectation is over all possible values of the surrogate  $\tilde{G}$  when predicting on structure  $\tilde{\sigma}$

$$EI(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega}) = \mathbb{E} \left[ I(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega}, \tilde{G}) \mid \tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega}, \mathcal{D}_N \right]$$

# Bayesian Design of Experiments

- The expectation\* is computed analytically based on the Gaussianity of the Bayesian predictive distribution:

$$\text{EI}(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega}) = [G_N(\tilde{\omega}) - \mu_{G,N}(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega})] \Psi \left( \frac{G_N(\tilde{\omega}) - \mu_{G,N}(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega})}{\nu_{G,N}(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega})} \right) + \nu_{G,N}(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega}) \psi \left( \frac{G_N(\tilde{\omega}) - \mu_{G,N}(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega})}{\nu_{G,N}(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega})} \right),$$

- Maximization is carried out on a pre-computed grid in this work (so we select the grid point with largest EI).
- Generally one can use a 1D maximization routine (e.g. MCMC)

- Then choose the next structure  $\sigma^{(N+1)}$  which satisfies

$$(\sigma^{(N+1)}, \omega^{(N+1)}) = \underset{\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega}}{\text{argmax}} \text{EI}(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega}).$$

... and run the expensive simulator on that structure

\*Schonlau, Matthias, William J. Welch, and D. R. Jones (Phys. & Eng. Sciences, Am. Stat. Assoc., 1996)

**Algorithm 1:** EI structure acquisition strategy for learning the thermodynamic potential\*

**Require:**

- 1  $\mathcal{D}_{N_0}$  (an initial pool of  $N_0$  observed  $\sigma$ - $\omega$ - $G$  triples),
- 2  $N_{\max}$  (maximum number of observations that can be afforded),
- 3  $\epsilon$  (maximum EI tolerance),
- 4  $\mathcal{S}_{N_{\text{pool}}}$  (large pool of  $\sigma$ - $\omega$  pairs to select simulations from)
- 5  $N \leftarrow N_0$
- 6  $\mathcal{D}_N = \mathcal{D}_{N_0}$
- 7 repeat
- 8     Find:
 
$$(\sigma^{(N+1)}, \omega^{(N+1)}) = \underset{(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega}) \in \mathcal{S}_{N_{\text{pool}}}}{\text{argmax}} \text{EI}(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega})$$
- 9     **if**  $\text{EI}(\sigma^{(N+1)}, \omega^{(N+1)}) < \epsilon$  **then**
- 10         | Break loop
- 11     **end**
- 12      $G^{(N+1)} \leftarrow G(\sigma^{(N+1)}, \omega^{(N+1)})$
- 13      $\mathcal{D}_{N+1} \leftarrow \mathcal{D}_N \cup \{(\sigma^{(N+1)}, \omega^{(N+1)}, G^{(N+1)})\}$
- 14      $N \leftarrow N + 1$
- 15 **until**  $N \geq N_{\max}$ ;

From surrogate model at iteration  $N$  (surrogate changes each iteration)

$$\text{EI}(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega}) = G_N(\tilde{\omega}) - \mu_{G,N}(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega}) \Psi\left(\frac{G_N(\tilde{\omega}) - \mu_{G,N}(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega})}{\nu_{G,N}(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega})}\right) + \nu_{G,N}(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega}) \psi\left(\frac{G_N(\tilde{\omega}) - \mu_{G,N}(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega})}{\nu_{G,N}(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega})}\right),$$

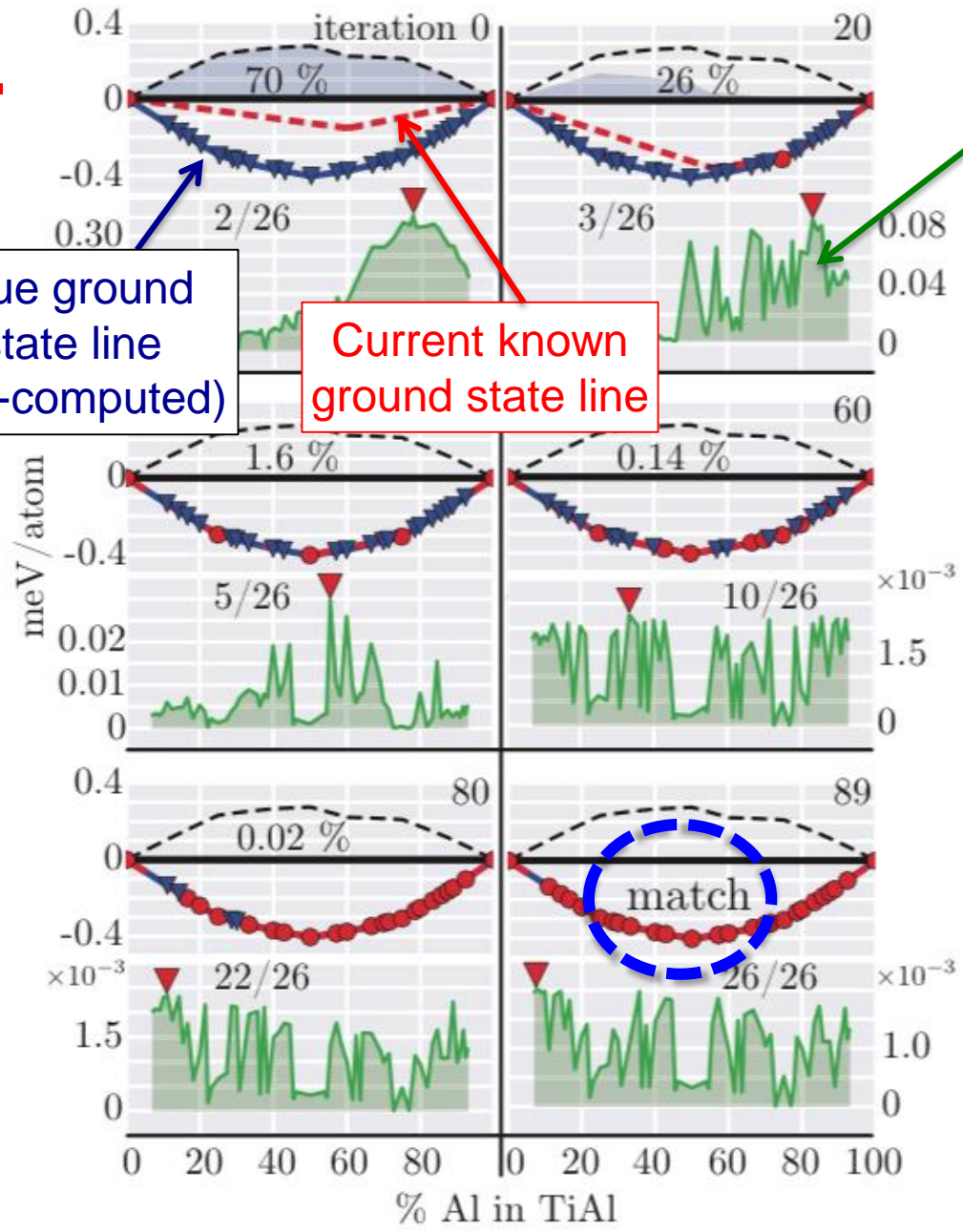
- ❑ We need knowledge of  $G$  because we need to know the current lowest estimate of the thermodynamic potential function.
- ❑  $G_N$  is lowest observed value of thermodynamic potential function at iteration  $N$
- ❑ Keep selecting structures (expanding the design) based on thermodynamic expected improvement until termination conditions are met

\*Kristensen, J., Billionis, I., Zabaras, N. (JCP, submitted, 2015)

Thermodynamic expected improvement

True ground state line (pre-computed)

Current known ground state line



**EAM potential**  
TiAl: Find the ground state line among ~35,000 structures

- We start with 4 structures
- We find the **exact** ground state line with only 89 total input structures!

J. Kristensen, I. Bilonis, N. Zabaras, JCP, 2016

1. Compare to other structure acquisition strategies:

- + Random selection (rnd)
- + Choose smallest structures (sml)
- + Choose the structure which has the largest predictive variance (uncertainty sampling: us)

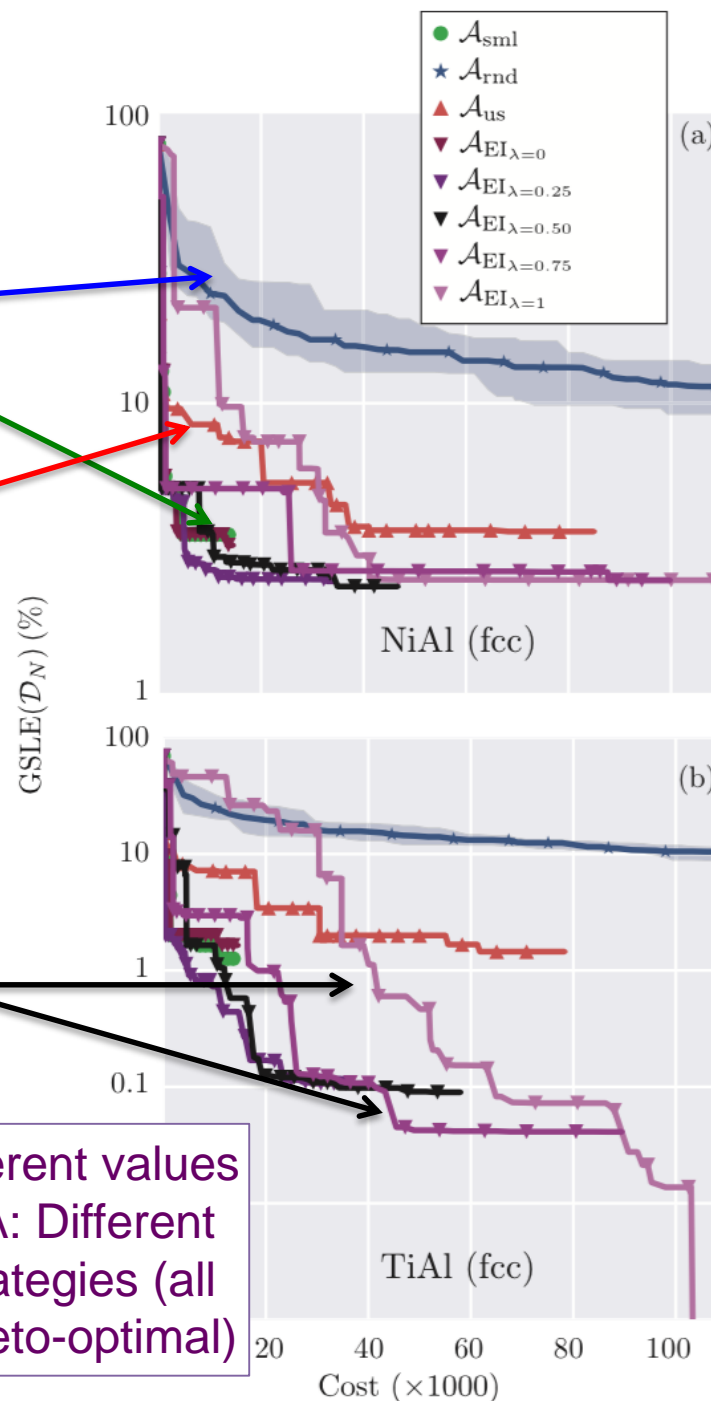
2. We further develop our method to account for the cost of computing structures (important for DFT, e.g.):

$$EI_\lambda \equiv \lambda EI(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega}) - (1 - \lambda) C_{G(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\omega})}$$

Let  $N_{j,\text{at}}$  be the number of atoms per configurational unit cell of structure  $j$ ,  $\sigma^{(j)}$ , then the cost is:

$$C_{G(\tilde{\sigma}^{(j)}, \tilde{\omega})} = N_{j,\text{at}}^3$$

(same cost exponent as DFT)



Different values of  $\lambda$ : Different strategies (all Pareto-optimal)

# Stochastic Coarse Graining

Models in statistical equilibrium following a PDF in fine- and coarse-scale:

Fine-scale (f) model

$$p_f(\mathbf{x}|\beta, \mu) = \frac{\exp\{-\beta U(\mathbf{x}, \mu)\}}{Z(\beta, \mu)}$$

Coarse-scale (c) model

$$p_c(\mathbf{X}|\beta, \mu) = \frac{\exp\{-\beta U_c(\mathbf{X}, \theta_c, \mu)\}}{Z_c(\theta_c, \beta, \mu)}$$

- Fine variables  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}$ ,  $\mathcal{M} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  with  $n \gg 1$  degrees of freedom.
- Coarse variables  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathcal{M}_{CG}$ ,  $\mathcal{M}_{CG} \subset \mathbb{R}^{n_c}$  with  $n_c \ll n$  degrees of freedom.
- Partition function  $Z(\beta, \mu)$  and  $Z_c(\theta_c, \beta, \mu)$  in fine- and coarse-scale.
- Potential  $U(\mathbf{x}, \mu)$  and  $U_c(\mathbf{X}, \theta_c, \mu)$  in fine- and coarse-scale. The dependency on the external field  $\mu$  and  $\beta$  is dropped due to notational reasons.
- $\theta_c$  parametrization of coarse-grained potential  $U_c$ .
- $\beta \propto 1/T$ , with temperature  $T$ .



# Stochastic Coarse Graining

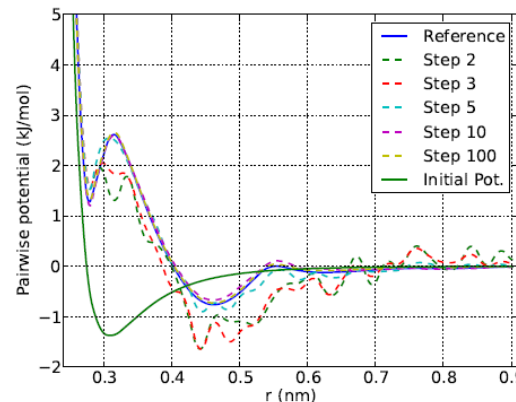
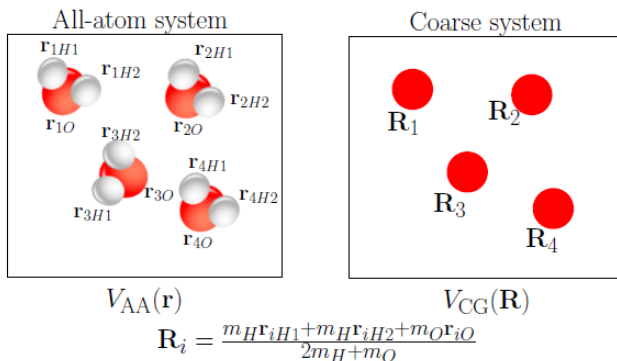
- Minimize information loss of approximating  $p_f(\mathbf{x})$  by  $p_c(\mathbf{X}|\theta_c)$ .
- Using relative entropy to quantify the distance between distributions.
- Which fine variables  $\mathbf{x}$  correspond to one coarse variable  $\mathbf{X}$ ?
  - ▶ Deterministic mapping function  $\xi(\mathbf{x})$  ( $\xi : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{CG}$ )

$$\mathbf{X} = \xi(\mathbf{x})$$

## Relative Entropy

$$S_{\text{rel}}[\theta_c] := \int_{\mathcal{M}} p_f(\mathbf{x}|\beta) \log \left( \frac{p_f(\mathbf{x}|\beta)}{p_c(\xi(\mathbf{x})|\theta_c, \beta)} \right) d\mathbf{x} + S_{\text{map}}$$

- $S_{\text{map}} = \int_{\mathcal{M}} \delta(\xi(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{X}) d\mathbf{x}$



## Hard Optimization

- Fine Simulations
- CG Simulations
- Noisy gradients
- *I. Billionis & N. Zabaras, Journal of Chemical Physics, 138, 044313, 2013.*
- *Markus Schöberl, P.S. Koutsourelakis, N. Zabaras, JCP, 2016.*

# Stochastic Coarse Graining

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Framework following **generative probabilistic models** and builds upon two parts:

- Coarse-scale PDF  $p_c(\mathbf{X}|\theta_c)$ 
  - ▶ parametrized by  $\theta_c$
- Probabilistic mapping from *coarse to fine*  $p_{cf}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{X}, \theta_{cf})$ 
  - ▶ conditional PDF of  $\mathbf{x}$  given coarse variable  $\mathbf{X}$
  - ▶ CG variables  $\mathbf{X}$  do not uniquely define the fine variables  $\mathbf{x} \rightarrow$  probabilistic relation necessary
  - ▶ parametrization of the probabilistic mapping by  $\theta_{cf}$
- Possible to add prior information expressed by  $p(\theta_c)$  and  $p(\theta_{cf})$ .



# Simulation of Fine Scale System

Training the model by observations  $\mathbf{x}^{(1:N)}$  one obtains optimal model parameters  $\theta_c^*$  and  $\theta_{cf}^*$  for the given data set  $\mathbf{x}^{(1:N)}$ .

The posterior distribution leads to the predictive distribution for fine-scale configurations  $\mathbf{x}$ :

Fine-scale predictive PDF  $\tilde{p}$

$$\tilde{p}(\mathbf{x}|\theta_c^*, \theta_{cf}^*) = \int_{\mathcal{M}_{CG}} p_{cf}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{X}, \theta_{cf}^*) p_c(\mathbf{X}|\theta_c^*) d\mathbf{X}$$

Simulate fine-scale system

- 1  $\theta_c^*$  and  $\theta_{cf}^*$  optimal for given data  $\mathbf{x}^{(1:N)}$
- 2 Draw sample of coarse-scale description  $\mathbf{X}^* \sim p_c(\mathbf{X}|\theta_c^*)$
- 3 Draw sample of fine-scale description  $\mathbf{x}^* \sim p_{cf}(\mathbf{x}^*|\mathbf{X}^*, \theta_{cf}^*)$

# Ensemble Averages

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f(\mathbf{x}) \rangle &= \int f(\mathbf{x}) p_f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \\ &\approx \int f(\mathbf{x}) \tilde{p}(\mathbf{x} | \theta_c^*, \theta_{cf}^*) d\mathbf{x} \\ &= \int \int f(\mathbf{x}) p_{cf}(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{X}, \theta_{cf}^*) p_c(\mathbf{X} | \theta_c^*) d\mathbf{X} d\mathbf{x} \end{aligned}$$

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Coarse-Scale Sample

$$\mathbf{X} \sim p(\mathbf{X}^i | \mathbf{x}^i, \theta_c, \theta_{cf})$$



Predicted Fine-Scale Sample

$$\mathbf{x}_{pred}^i \sim p_{cf}(\mathbf{x}^i | \mathbf{X}^i, \theta_{cf})$$



$$E[\mathbf{x}^i | \mathbf{X}^i]$$



Fine-Scale Data Point  $\mathbf{x}^i$

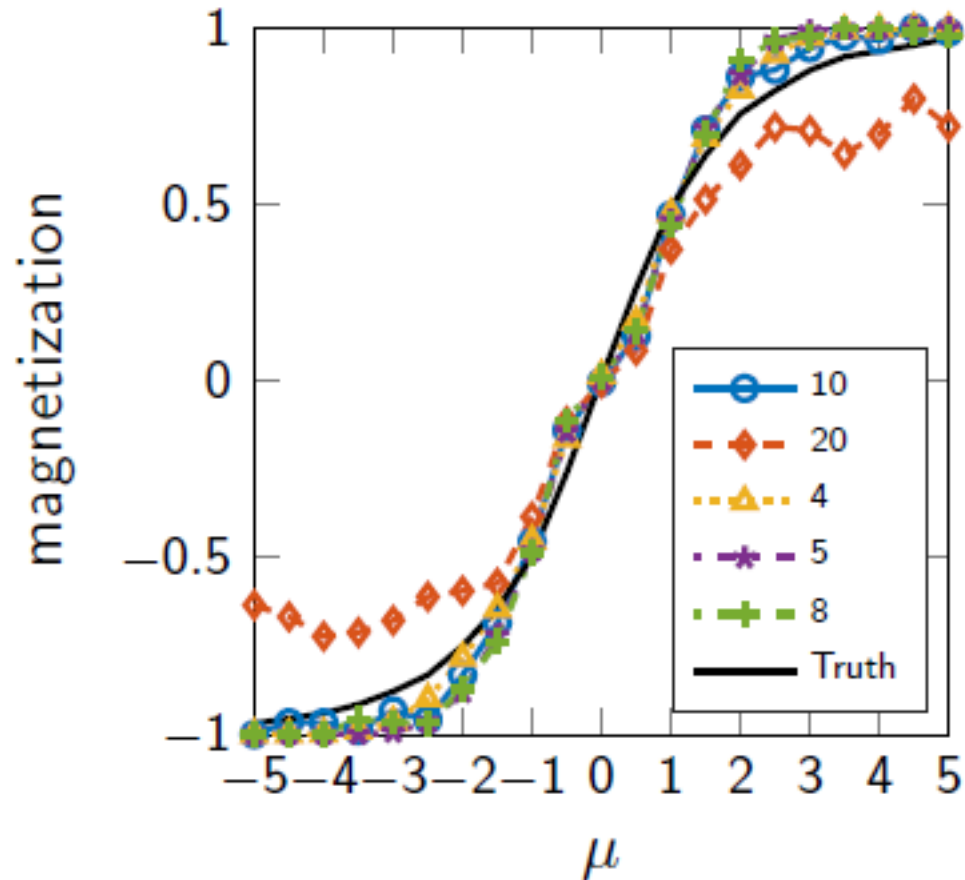


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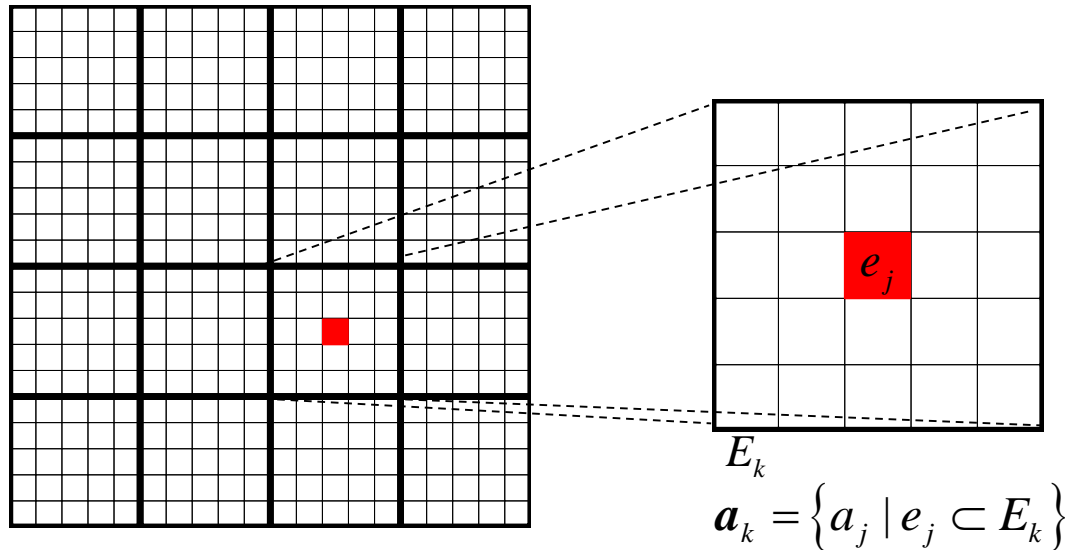
# Ensemble Averages



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# Scalable UQ for Multiscale Problems

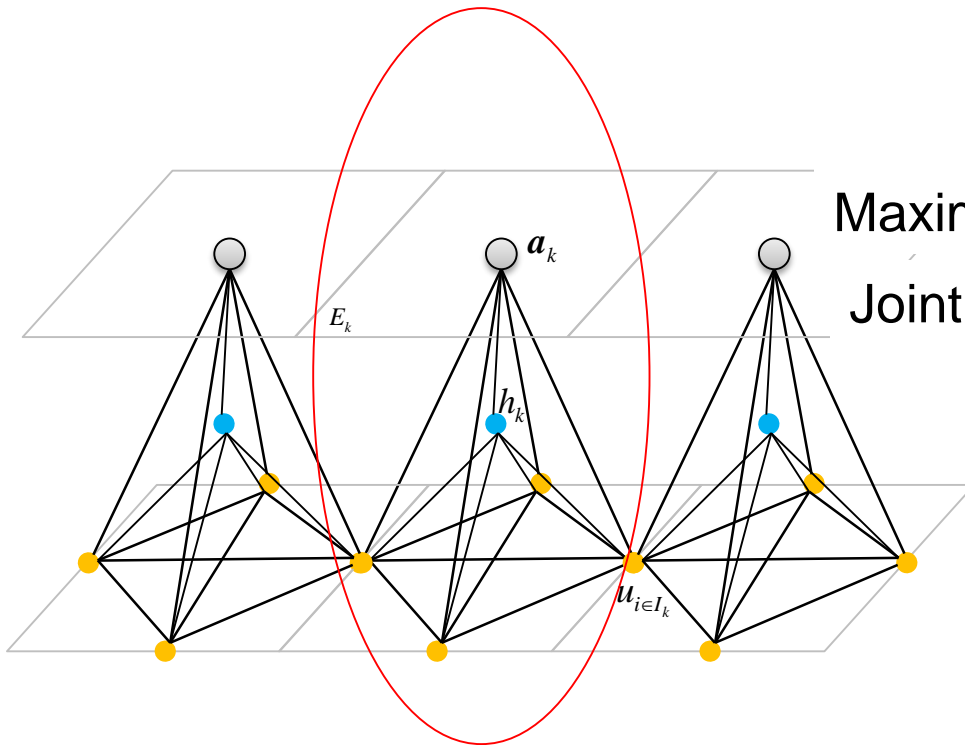
- Due to the multiscale features, the spatial domain  $D$  is discretized into
  - fine grid  $T_h = \bigcup_{i=1}^{N_h} e_i$  where  $N_h$  is the number of fine elements.
  - coarse grid  $T_c = \bigcup_{i=1}^{N_c} E_i$  where  $N_c$  is the number of coarse elements.
- Stochastic input
  - assume a constant property on each fine element, i.e.  $\mathbf{a} = (a_1 \cdots a_{N_h})$
  - local property on coarse element  $E_k$ :  $\mathbf{a}_k = \{a_j \mid e_j \subset E_k\}$  such that  $\mathbf{a}_k \subset \mathbf{a}$



# Probabilistic Modeling of SPDEs

## Assumption

- Each response  $u_i$ ,  $h_k$  is only correlated to its neighboring nodes (including local feature  $\mathbf{a}_k$ ) within the same coarse element.
- Long distance interactions among variables are ignored.



Maximal clique : potential  $q_k(u_{I_k}, h_k; \mathbf{a}_k)$

Joint probability  $p(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{h} | \mathbf{a}) \propto \prod_k q_k(u_{I_k}, h_k; \mathbf{a}_k)$

$$q_k(u_{I_k}, h_k; \mathbf{a}_k) = \exp(-\mathcal{E}_k(u_{I_k}, h_k; \mathbf{a}_k))$$

$$p(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{h} | \mathbf{a}) \propto \exp\left(-\sum_k \mathcal{E}_k(u_{I_k}, h_k; \mathbf{a}_k)\right)$$

# Probabilistic Modeling of SPDEs

- Apply the definition of energy function in these sub-problems, the local energy functions are expressed by

$$\mathcal{E}_k(u_{I_k}, h_k; \mathbf{a}_k) \approx \sum_{i \in I_k} \phi_{k,i}(u_i, \mathbf{a}_k) + \sum_{(i,j) \in I_k \times I_k, i \neq j} \phi_{k,ij}(u_i, u_j, \mathbf{a}_k) + \phi_{k,0}(h_k, \mathbf{a}_k) + \sum_{i \in I_k} \phi_{k,i0}(u_i, h_k, \mathbf{a}_k)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{k,i}(u_i, \mathbf{a}_k) &= f_{k,i}(\mathbf{a}_k)u_i + f_{k,ii}(\mathbf{a}_k)u_i^2, \quad \phi_{k,ij}(u_i, u_j, \mathbf{a}_k) = f_{k,ij}(\mathbf{a}_k)u_i u_j \\ \phi_{k,0}(h_k, \mathbf{a}_k) &= f_{k,0}(\mathbf{a}_k)h_k + f_{k,00}(\mathbf{a}_k)h_k^2, \quad \phi_{k,i0}(u_i, h_k, \mathbf{a}_k) = f_{k,i0}(\mathbf{a}_k)u_i h_k \end{aligned}$$

- Since the functions of local features  $\mathbf{a}_k$  in the energy functions are unknown, a nonparametric model is adopted

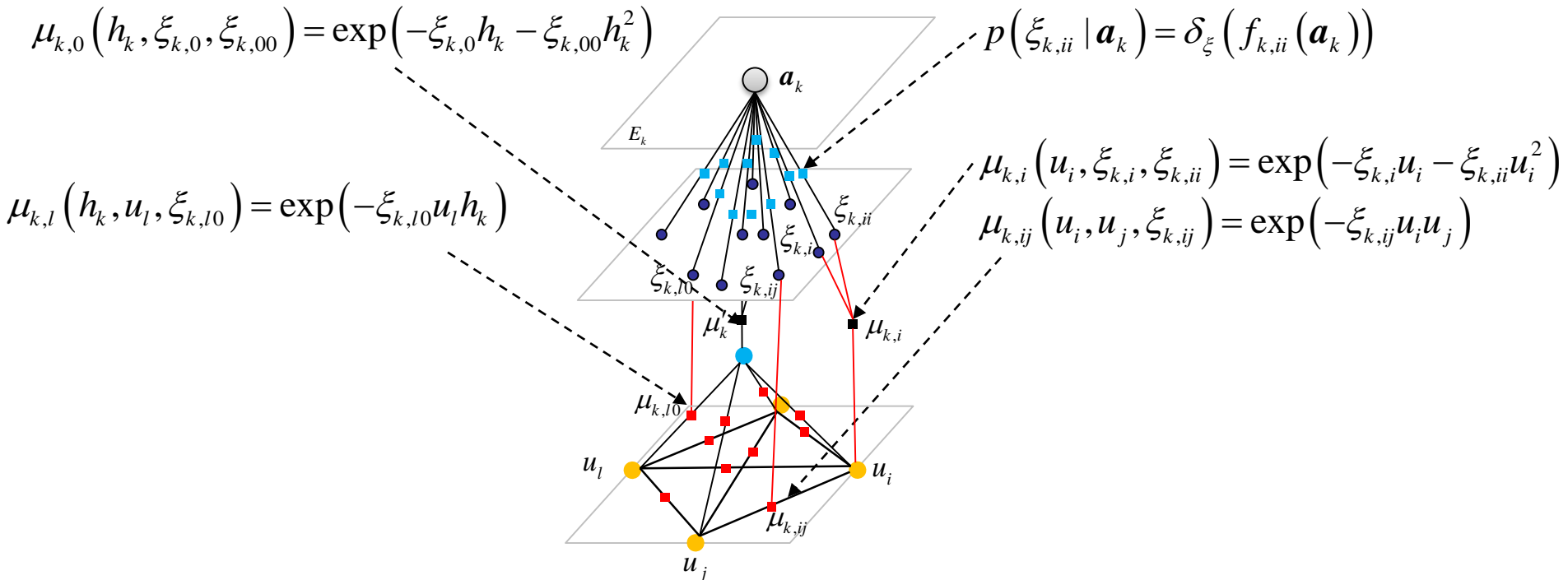
$$f_{k,\cdot}(\mathbf{a}_k) \equiv f_{k,\cdot}(\mathbf{a}_k; \boldsymbol{\theta}_k) = \theta_{k,\cdot}^{(1)} + \sum_{t=2}^r \theta_{k,\cdot}^{(t)} \zeta_t(\mathbf{a}_k)$$

with unnormalized Gaussian kernels

$$\zeta_t(\mathbf{a}_k) = \exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{a}_k - \bar{\mathbf{a}}_t\|^2}{\sigma_\zeta^2}\right)$$

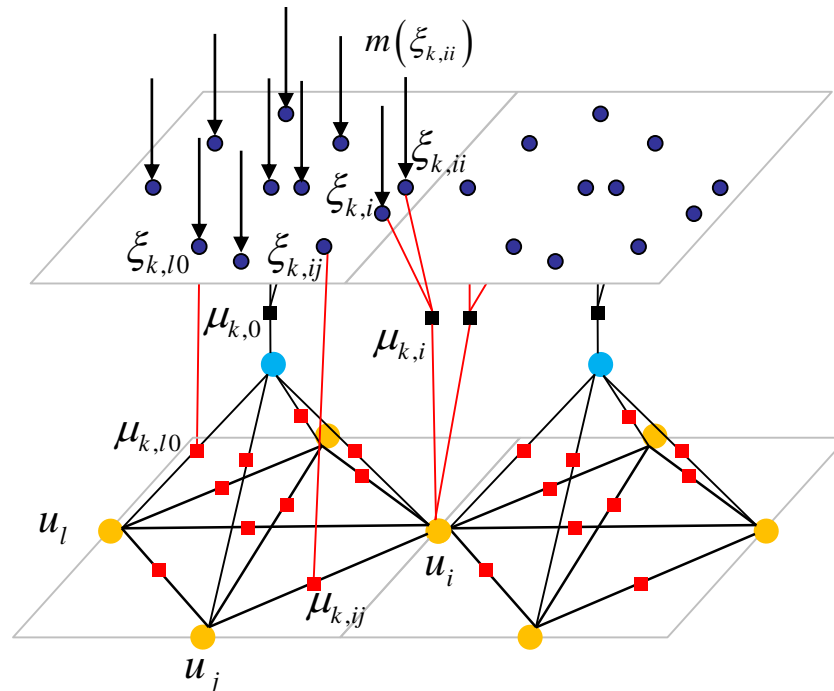
# Probabilistic Modeling of SPDEs

- The complete probabilistic model for  $p(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{h} | \mathbf{a})$  is factorized as a product of potential functions measuring the interactions between random variables



# Inference in Graphs

- A challenge arises in the update of messages between hidden variables. Although analytic expressions of  $p(a)$  and  $p(\xi|a)$  are explicit, the joint distribution of hidden variables  $\xi$  could be complicated such that the links between them are implicit when stochastic input has been removed from the graph.
- To bypass the difficulties in passing messages between hidden variables, the graphical model is transformed as follows:





# Messages in Belief Propagation

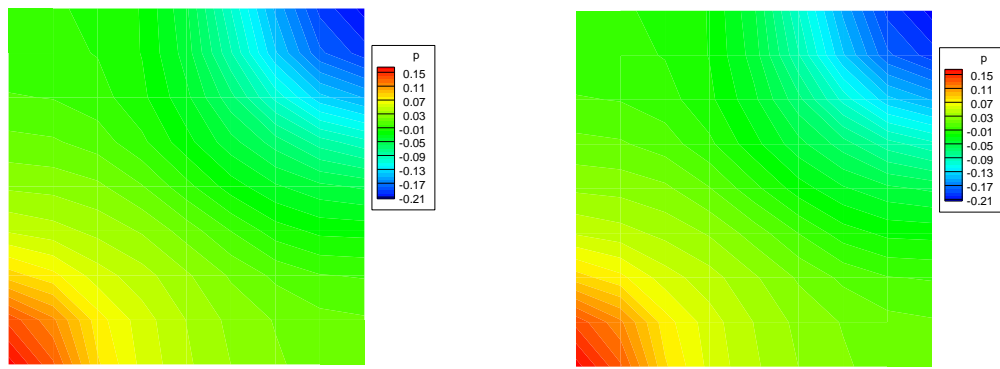
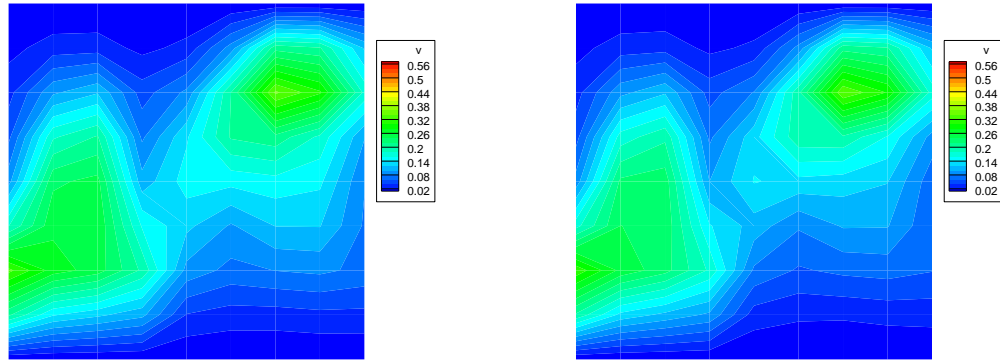
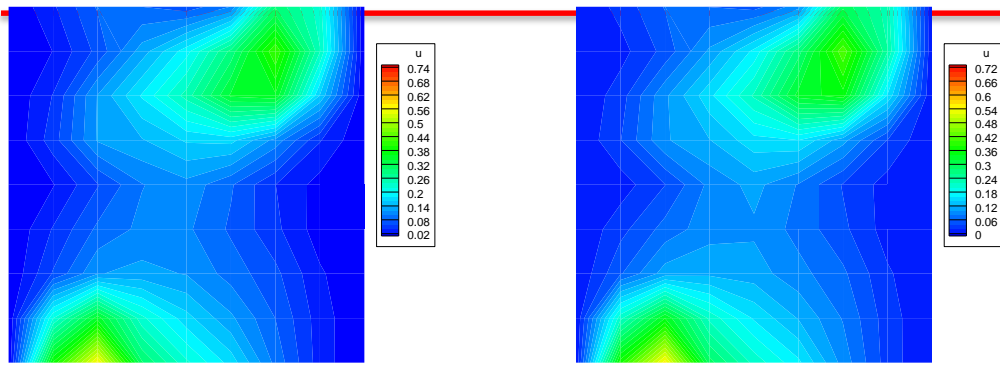
- For all **messages** except those between hidden variables, since there is no prior information, they **are represented non parametrically** (as weighted Gaussian mixtures)
- Without loss of generality, consider the message from factor node  $\mu_{k,ij}(u_i, u_j, \xi_{k,ij})$  to variable node  $u_i$

$$m_{\mu_{k,ij} \rightarrow u_i}(u_i) \approx \sum_{t=1}^T l_t \mathcal{N}(u_i; \bar{u}_i^t, \sigma_i^2)$$

- At iteration  $n$  of the BP algorithm, the **messages between factor nodes and variables are updated** by

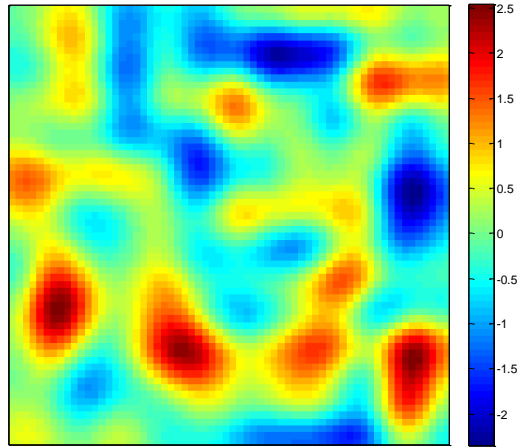
$$m_{\mu_{k,ij} \rightarrow u_i}^{(n)}(u_i) \leftarrow \int \mu_{k,ij}(u_i, u_j, \xi_{k,ij}) m_{u_j \rightarrow \mu_{k,ij}}^{(n)}(u_j) m_{\xi_{k,ij} \rightarrow \mu_{k,ij}}^{(n)}(\xi_{k,ij}) d\xi_{k,ij} du_j$$

# Stochastic Multiscale Models: A Graph Theoretic Approach



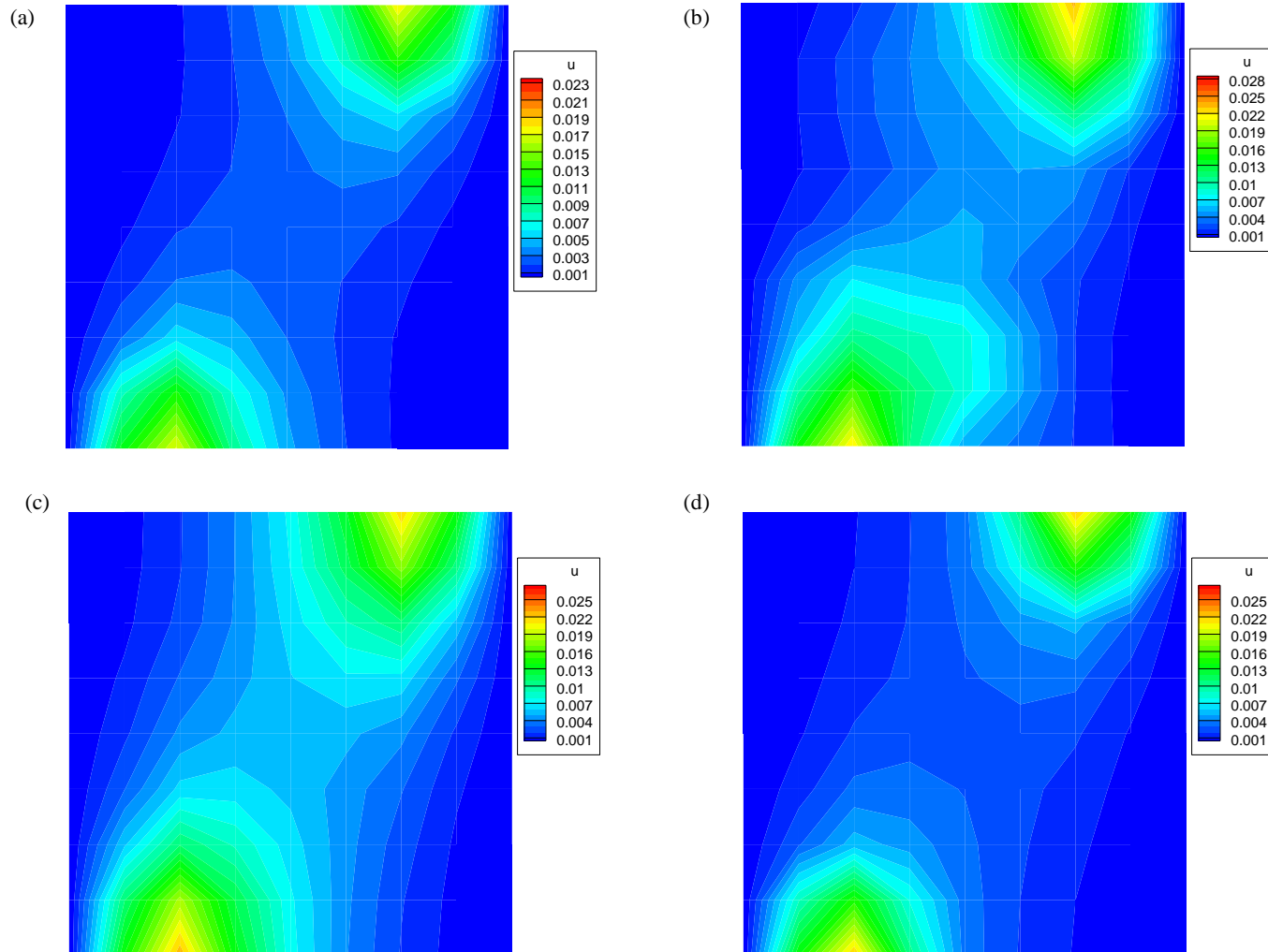
$$\text{Cov}(x, y) = \sigma^2 \exp\left(-\frac{|x_1 - y_1|}{L_1} - \frac{|x_2 - y_2|}{L_2}\right)$$

$\sigma=1.0, L_1=0.1, L_2=0.1$



Predicted physical responses given a realization of stochastic input (a)-(c) x-velocity, y-velocity and pressure obtained from direct simulation, and (d)-(f) x-velocity, y-velocity and pressure predicted by the probabilistic graphical model (trained with 60 data points)

# Predicted Variance

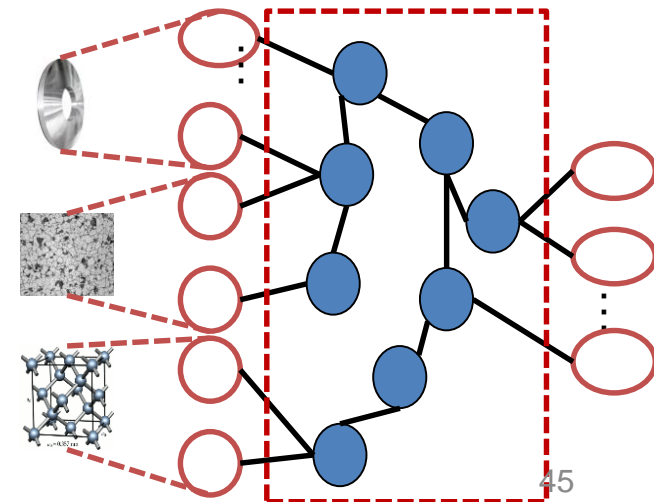
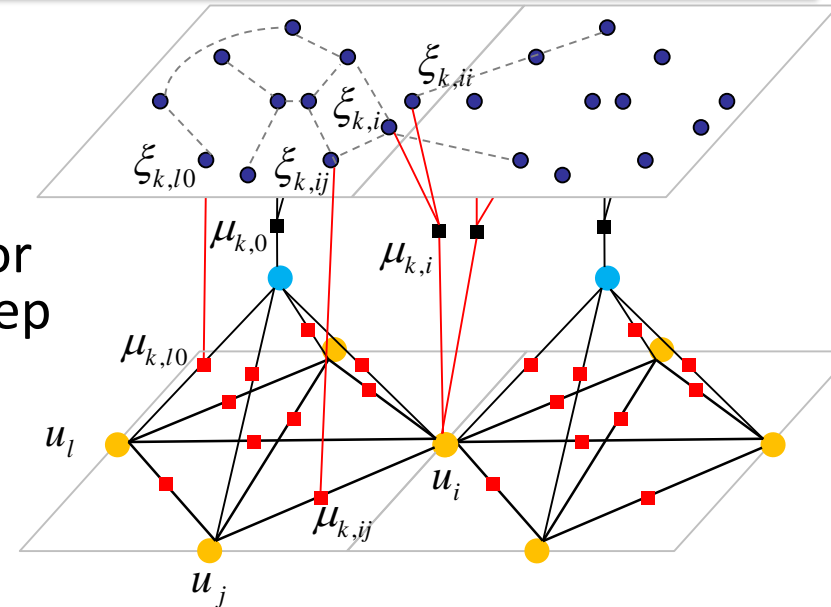


Predicted variance of x-velocity (a) MC simulation with  $10^6$  samples, and probabilistic model trained by (b) 20, (c) 40, (d) 60 data.



# Stochastic Multiscale Models: A Graph Theoretic Approach

- Pose multiscale SPDEs in graphs
- Factorize conditional PDF of responses using 'clique' potentials.
- Introduce **hidden variables** to account for coarse graining – naturally leads to a deep learning machine.
- Fully non-parametric approach
- All parameters are learned with **local inference** (EM, SMC, Variational,..)
- Conditional & marginal PDFs are computed with approximate inference (e.g. EP).
- The probabilistic graphical model can be used for multiple UQ tasks: E.g. as a **surrogate model** and for **inverse problem solution!**
- Data and models become one and the same!



- J. Wan and N. Zabaras, JCP, 2014
- P. Chen and N. Zabaras, JCP, 2014,2015

# ITS ALL ABOUT DATA

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- ❑ Experimental **and** simulation data used to design predictive models for quantities of interest
  - E.g. Quantifying *uncertainty in the Exchange Correlation functional and propagating it to QoI*
  - Designing predictive surrogate models for materials design: quantifying *epistemic uncertainty from limited training data*
  - Computing *the most informative simulations* to collect *online data* for training a Bayesian model for predicting a particular Col.
- ❑ *Stochastic Multiscale Modelling* provides challenges that present UQ methods cannot handle
  - *Data-driven definition of coarse grained variables and their evolution* (from variational to fully Bayesian approaches), non-parametric modelling, capturing & propagating information loss during coarse graining
  - *Curse of Dimensionality*: Its all about data-driven (local) exploration of correlations within and across scales (*partitioning the space vs the data*)
  - Approximate inference (on graphs) a promising scalable UQ approach (*Deep Learning*)