

# Uncertainty quantification for fluid dynamics applications

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Variability in sloshing impacts

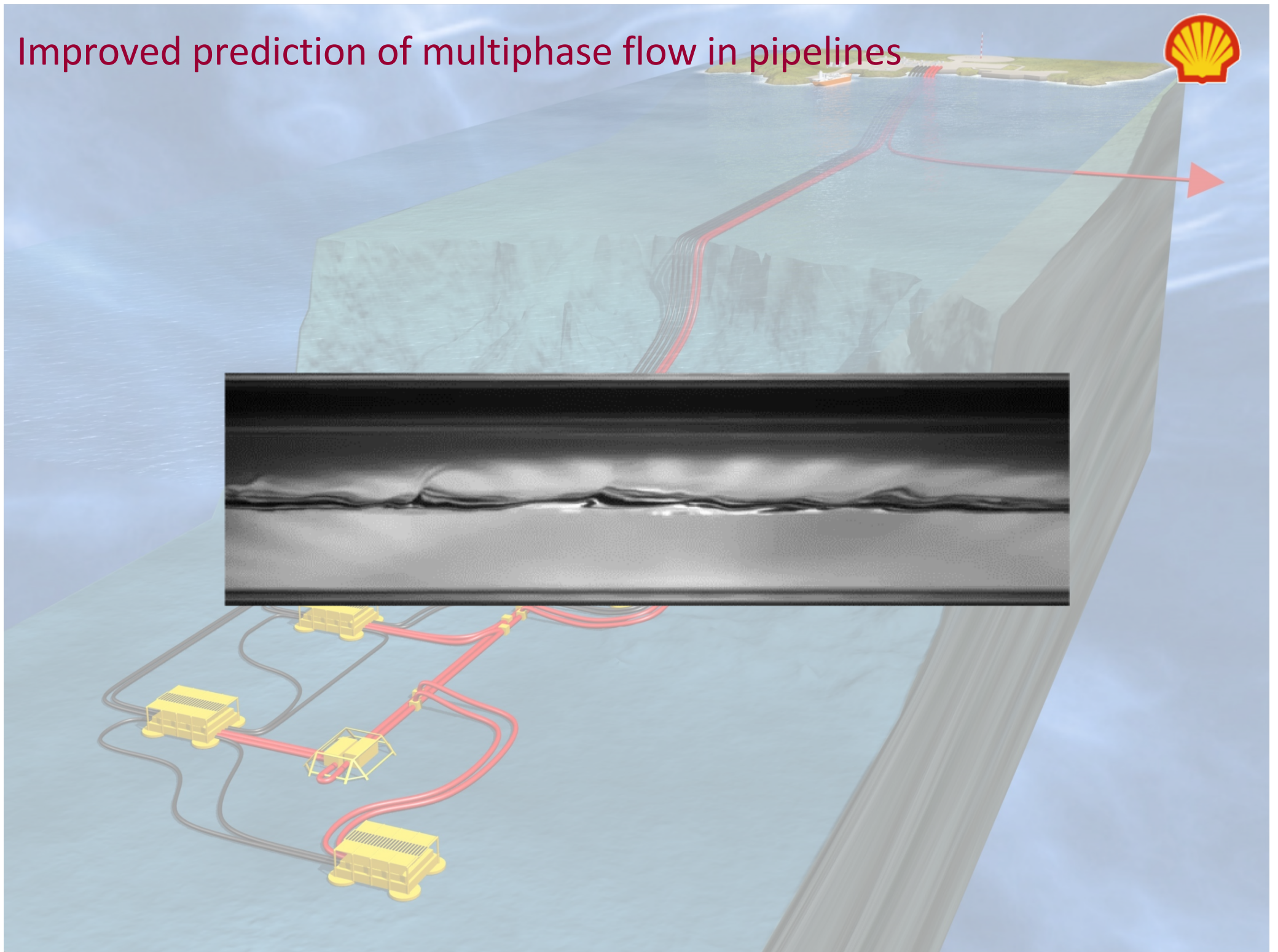




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# Improved prediction of multiphase flow in pipelines





Uncertainty reduction in offshore wind

# UQ and fluid dynamics

## Fluid dynamics

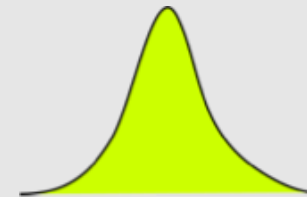
Partial differential equations  
(Navier-Stokes)  
Conservation laws

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) = 0$$
$$\frac{\partial \rho \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u}) = -\nabla p + \nabla \cdot (\nabla \mathbf{u} + (\nabla \mathbf{u})^T)$$

## Uncertainties

Random variables  
Probability density functions  
Stochastic processes

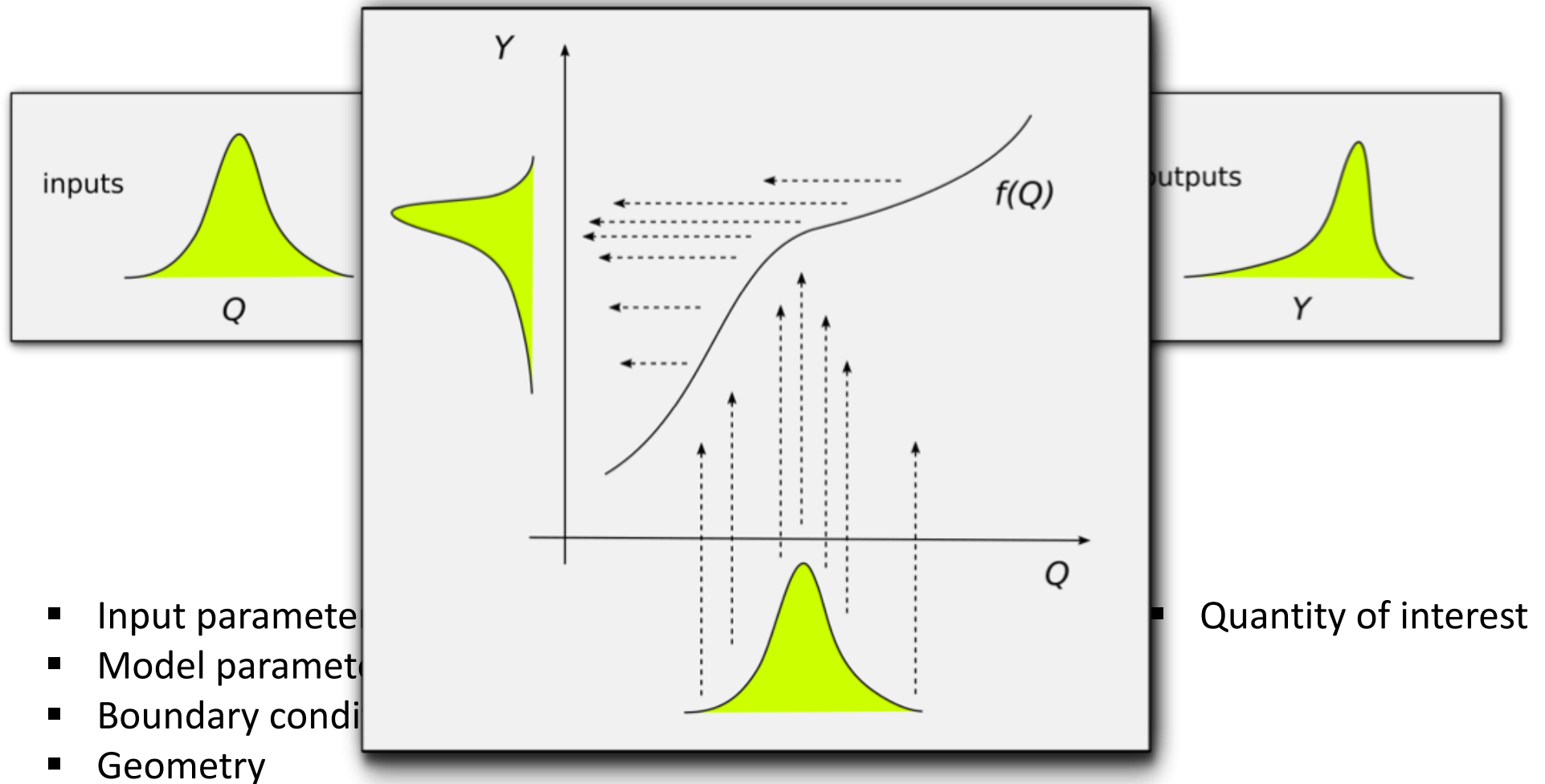
$$q \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$$



- PDEs with random coefficients
- Stochastic PDEs

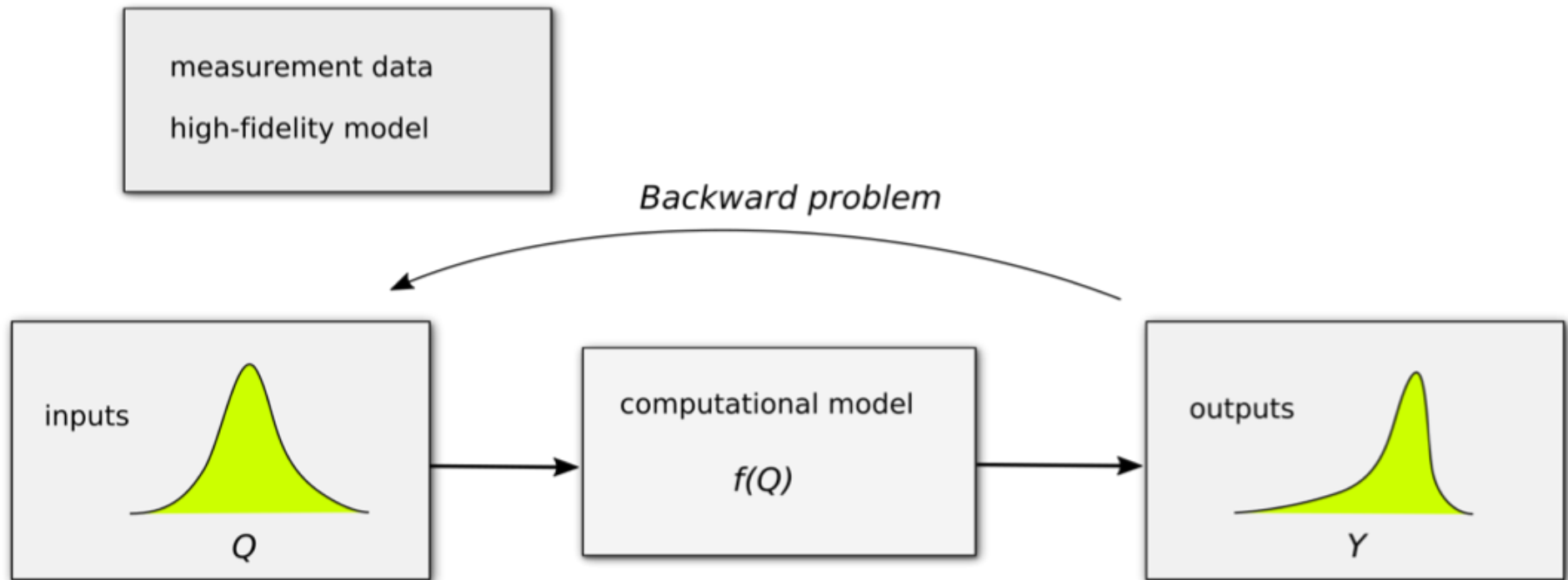
# Uncertainty Quantification

- **Propagation** – a forward problem



# Uncertainty Quantification

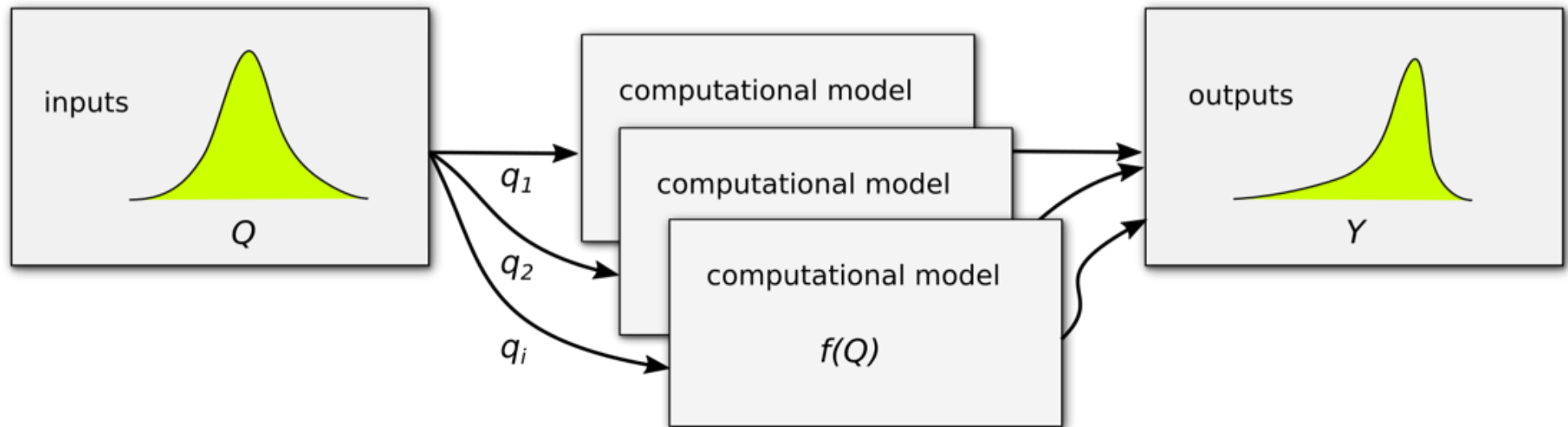
- **Calibration** – a backward problem





# Monte Carlo

*random samples  $q_i$  with equal weights*



$$Q = (Q_1, \dots, Q_d)$$

$$\rho_Q(q) = \prod_{i=1}^d \rho_{Q_i}(q_i)$$

$$\mu_Y = \mathbb{E}[Y] \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N f(q_i)$$

# Monte Carlo?

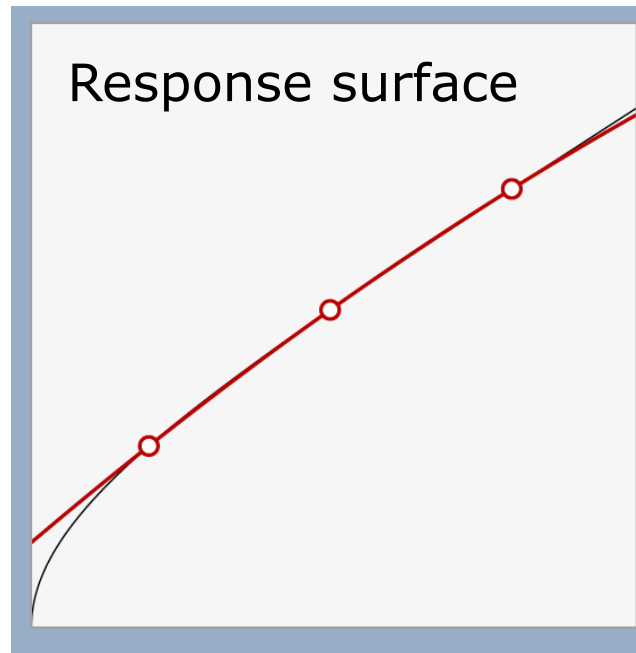
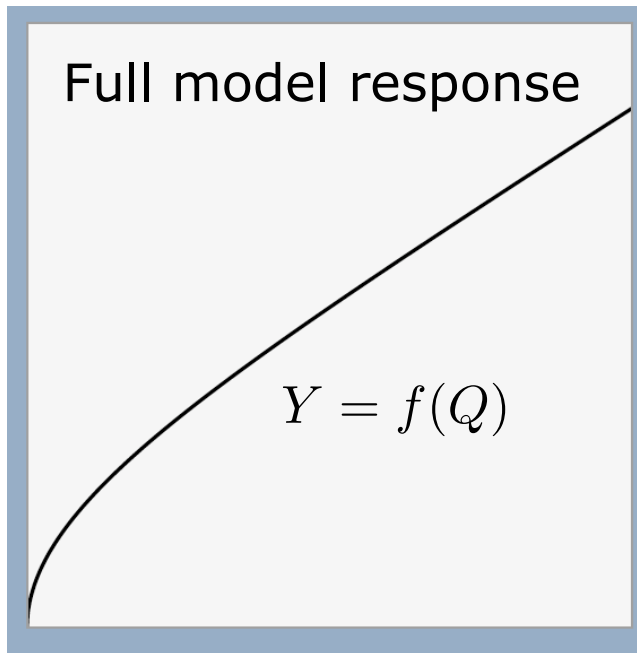
## Challenge:

Fluid dynamic models feature very **expensive models**  $f(Q)$

## Our approach:

Approximate full model with **surrogate** models

# Surrogate models



'mathematics-based':

- **Polynomials**
- Radial basis functions
- Gaussian processes
- Neural networks

'physics-based':

- **Averaging**
- Asymptotics
- Modal expansions

# Polynomial response surface

- Polynomial Chaos Expansion
- Fourier expansion in random space:

$$Y = f(q) \approx f_{\text{PCE}}(q) = \sum_{i=0}^N \hat{f}_i \phi_i(q)$$

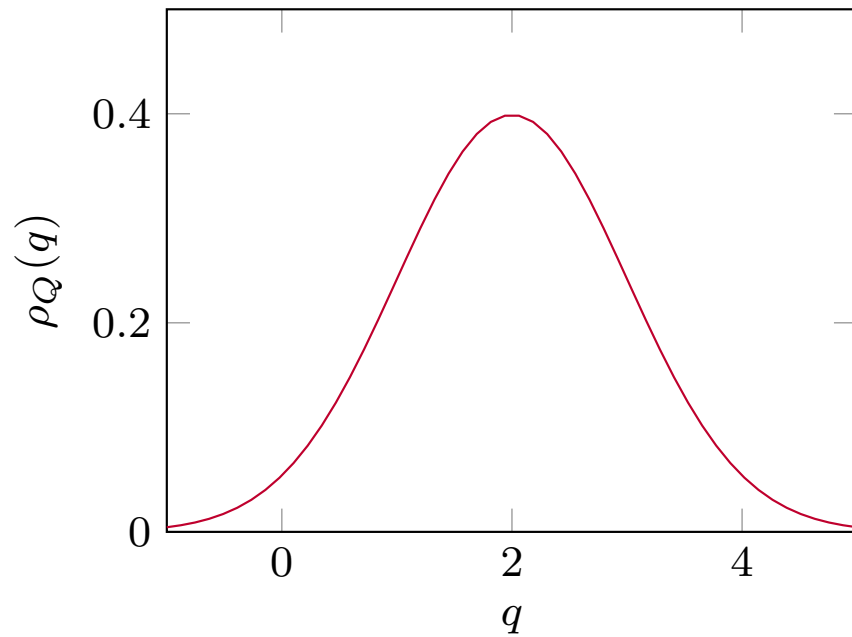
- Use polynomials  $\phi(q)$  *orthogonal* with respect to PDF  $\rho(q)$ :

$$\int \phi_i(q) \phi_j(q) \rho_Q(q) dq = \begin{cases} \gamma_i & i = j, \\ 0 & i \neq j. \end{cases}$$

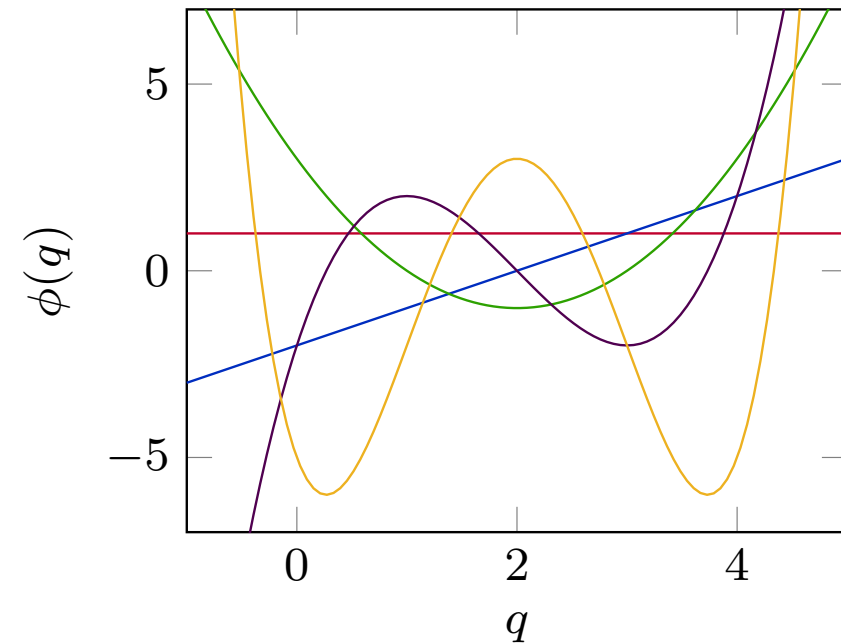
# Polynomial Chaos Expansion

- Example orthogonality polynomials and PDF

Gaussian random variable



Hermite polynomials



# Polynomial Chaos Expansion

- Fourier expansion in random space:

$$Y = f(q) \approx f_{\text{PCE}}(q) = \sum_{i=0}^N \hat{f}_i \phi_i(q)$$

- Coefficients follow from

$$\hat{f}_i = \frac{1}{\gamma_i} \int f(q) \phi_i(q) \rho_Q(q) dq$$

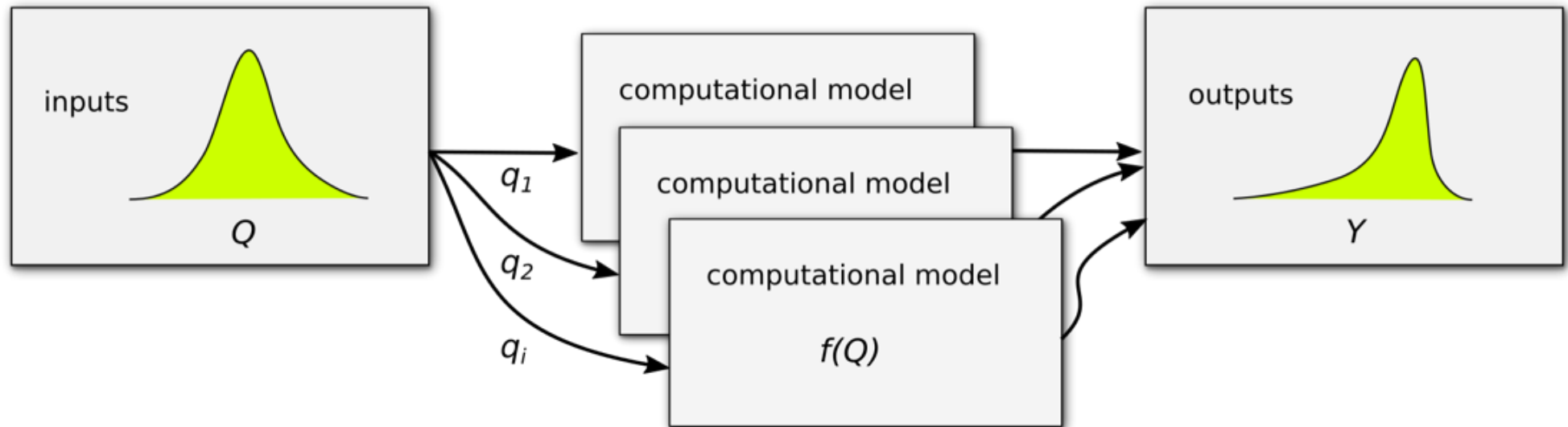
- Approximate with quadrature rules

$$\int f(q) \phi_i(q) \rho_Q(q) dq \approx \sum_{k=1}^K f(q_k) \phi_i(q_k) w_k$$

Model sampling at nodes  $q_k$

# Polynomial Chaos Expansion

*deterministic samples  $q_i$*



*analytic output  $f_{\text{PCE}}(q)$*

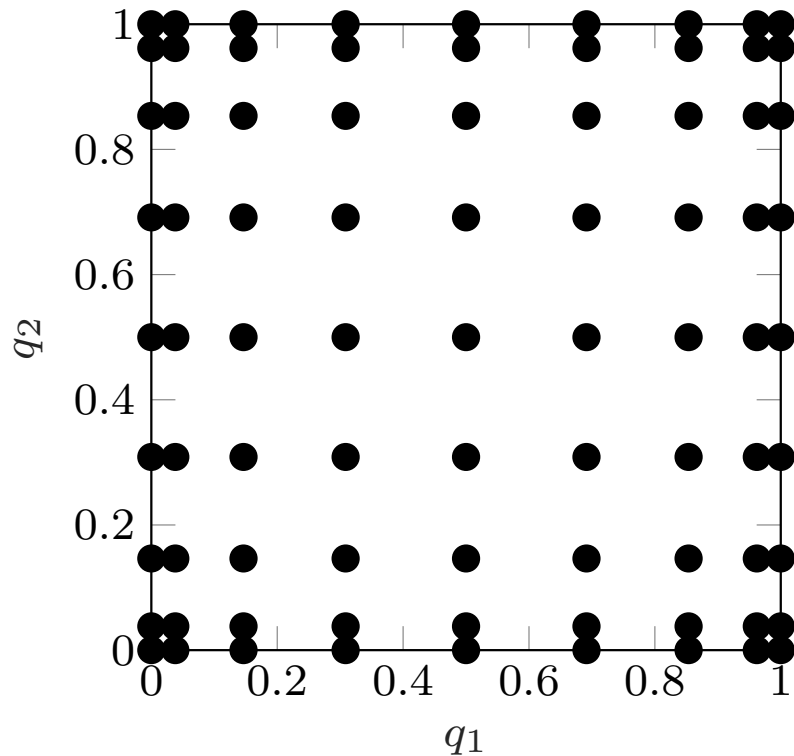
$$\mu_Y = \hat{f}_0$$

$$\sigma_Y = \sum_{i=1} \hat{f}_i^2$$

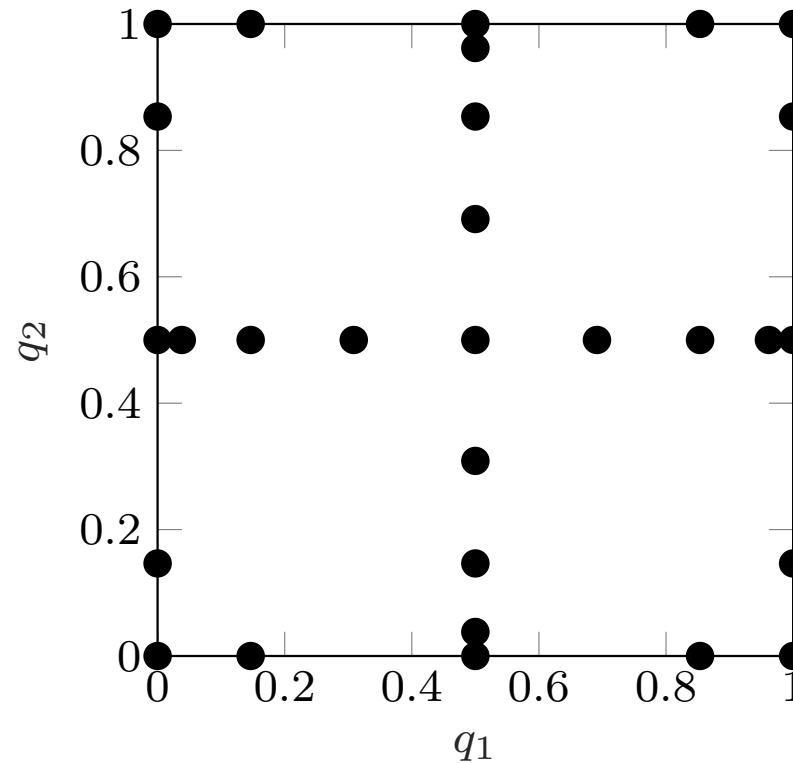
Monte Carlo

# Model sampling

Tensor grid



Sparse grid



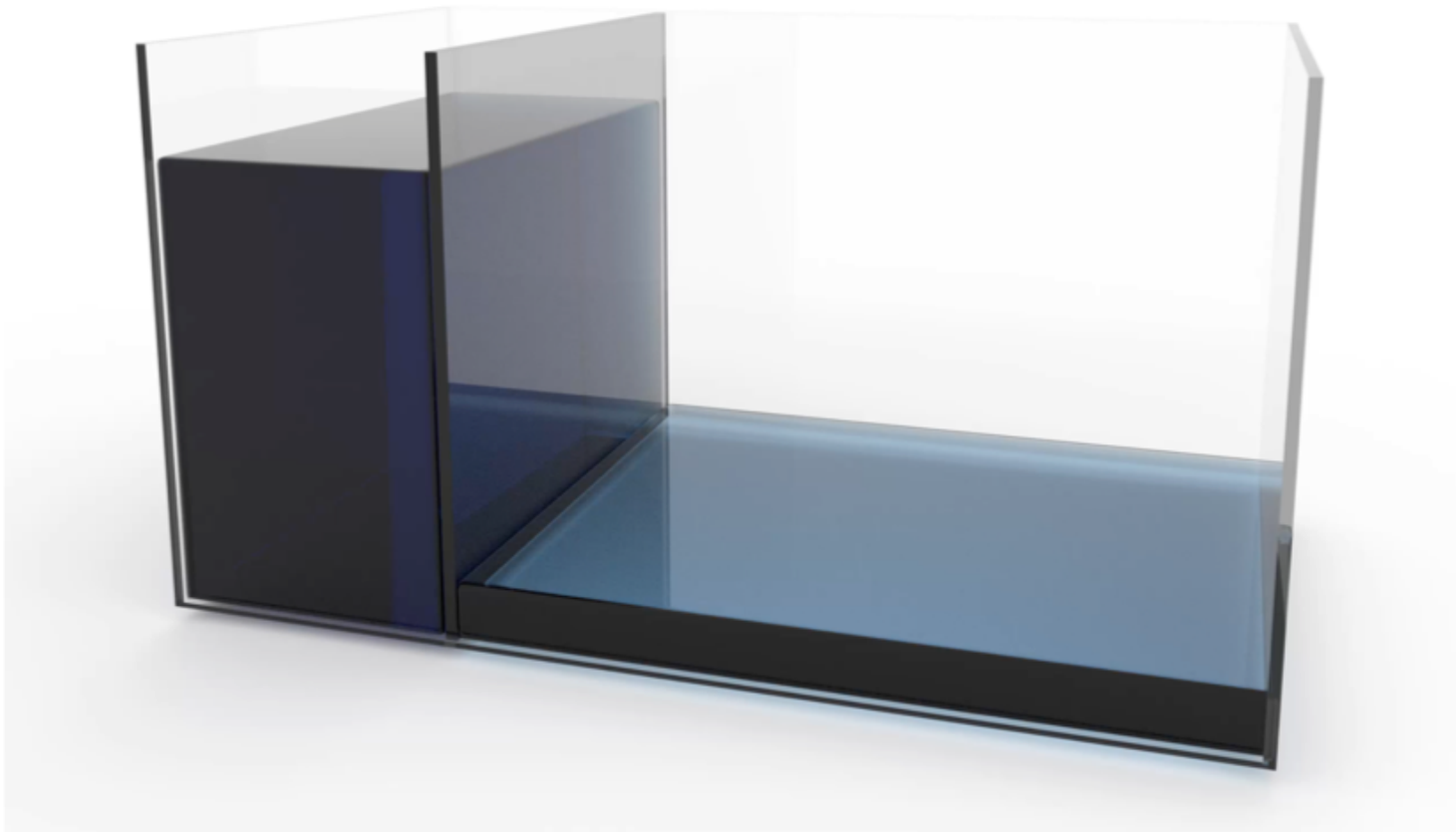
- Random space is **high-dimensional**: curse of dimensionality  $N = M^d$
- Where to sample the model?
- Use model behavior to adaptively select nodes



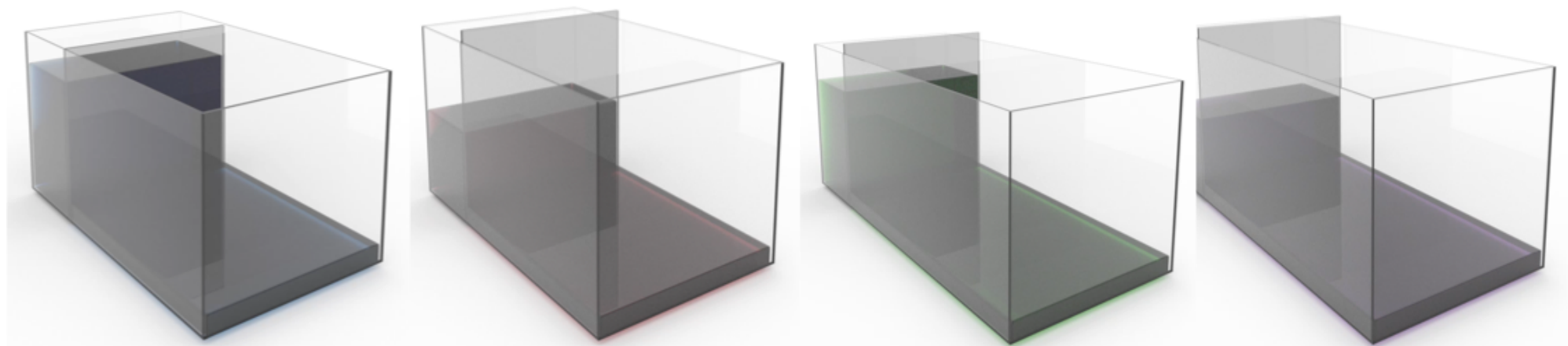
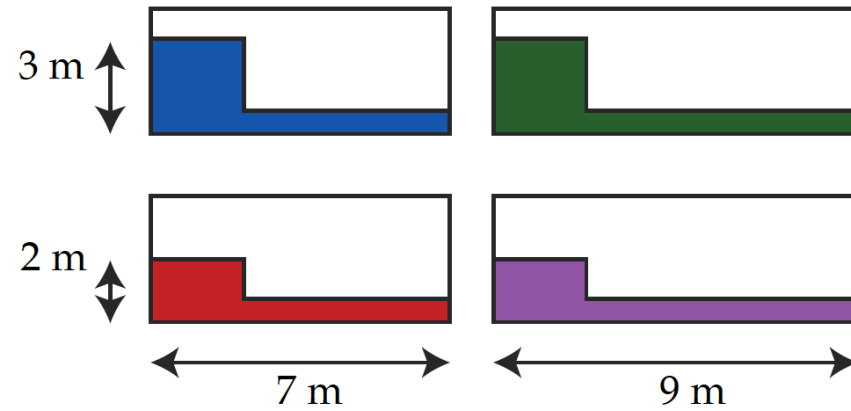
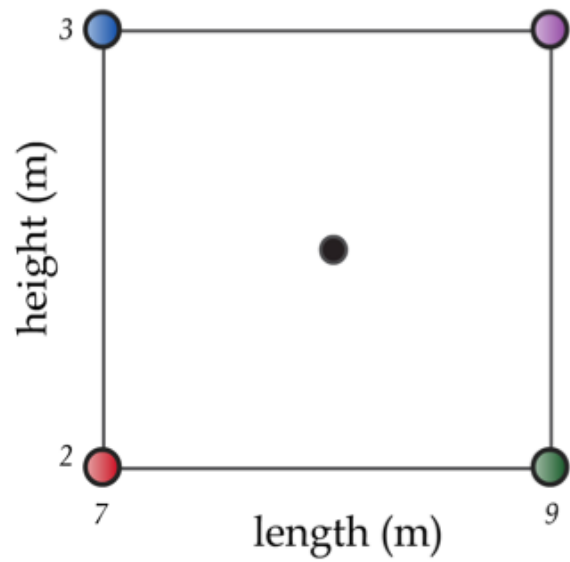
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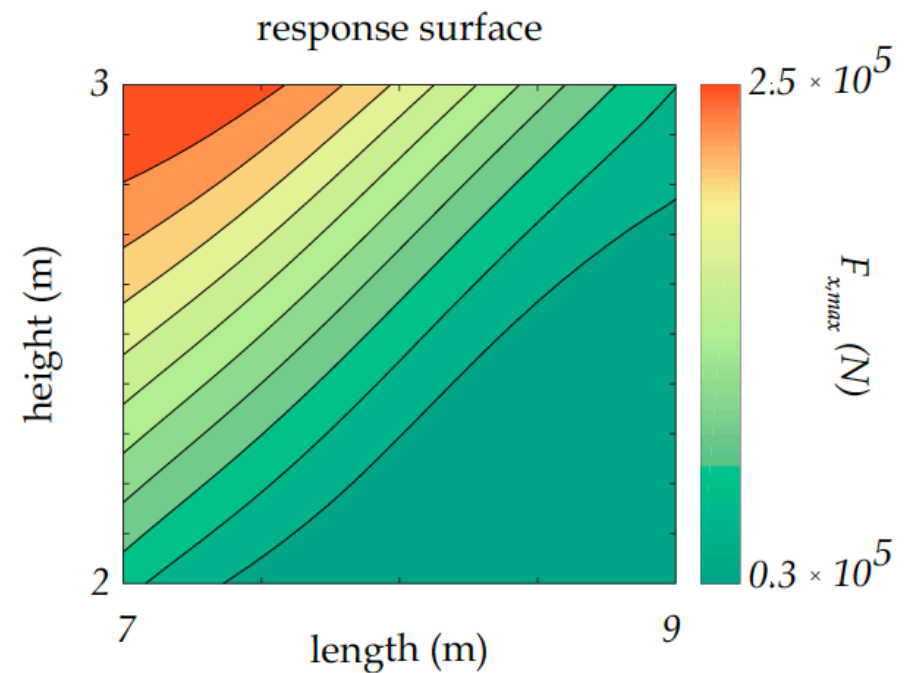
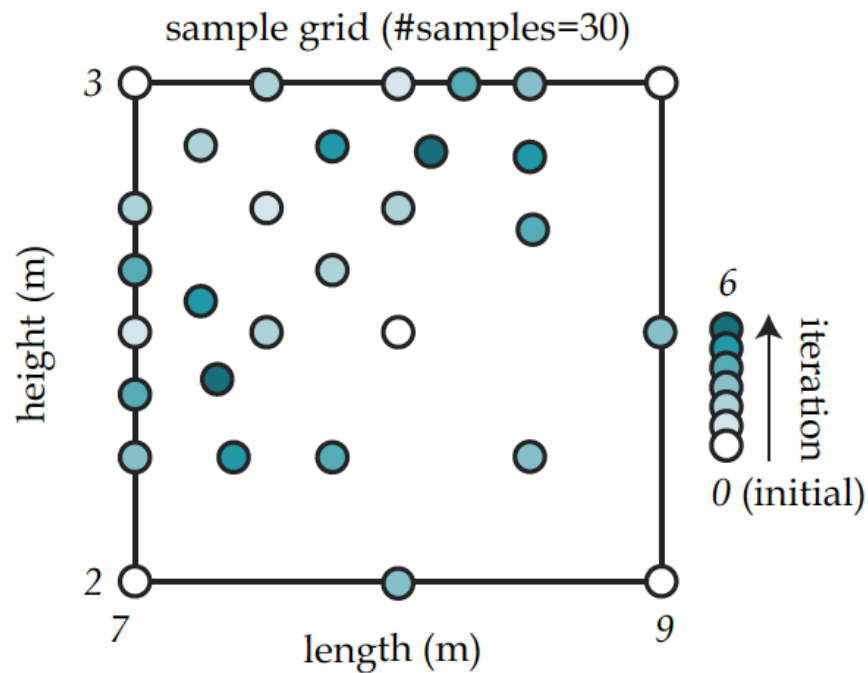
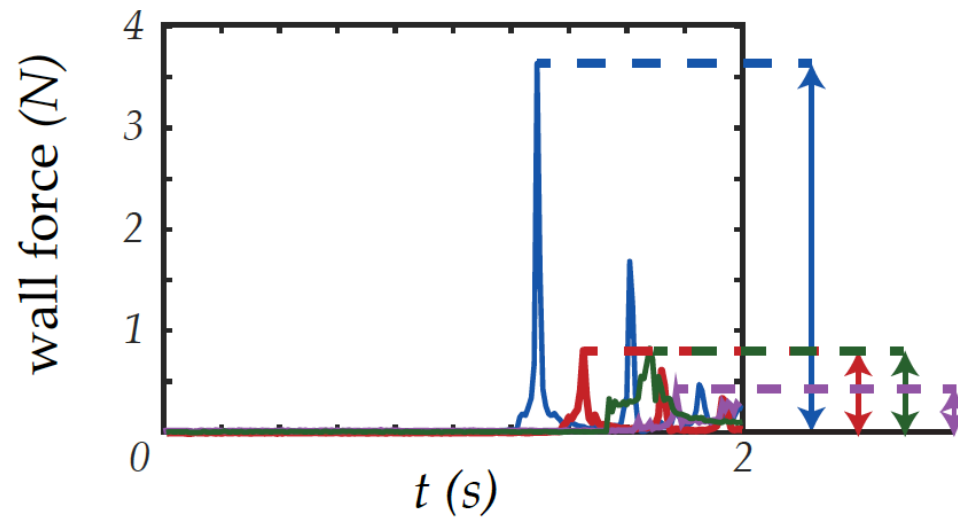
# Sloshing



# Adaptive sampling for sloshing



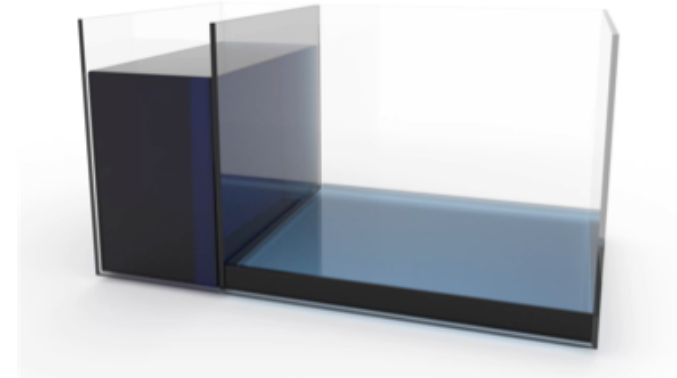
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# Physics-based surrogate model

## Full model

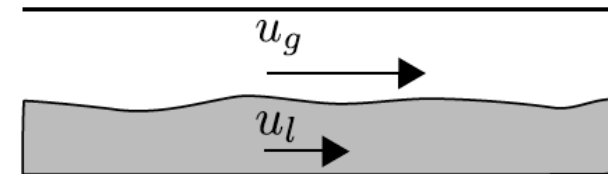
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Averaging

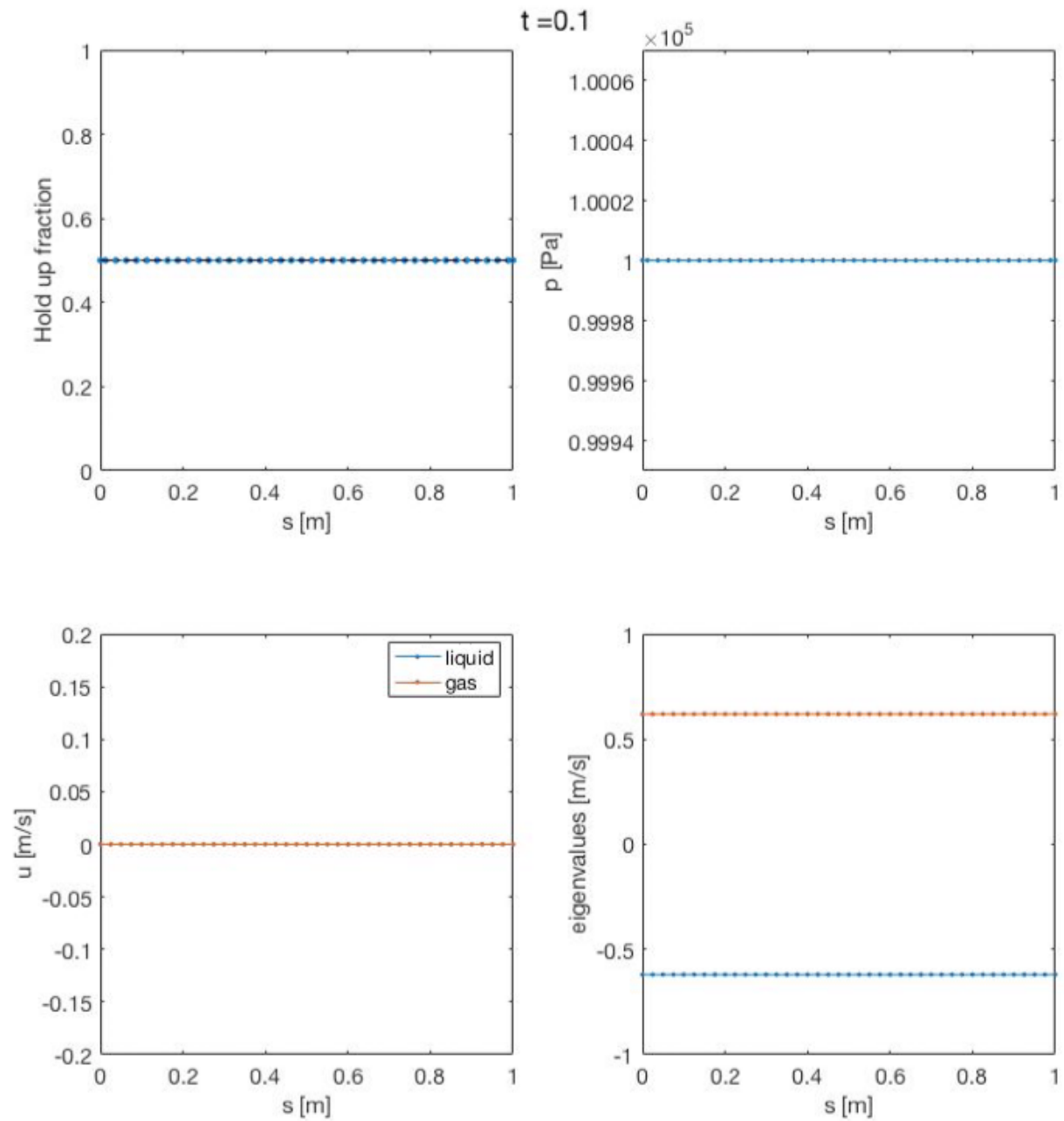
## Low-fidelity model

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho_g A_g) + \frac{\partial}{\partial s} (\rho_g u_g A_g) = 0$$
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho_g u_g A_g) + \frac{\partial}{\partial s} (\rho_g u_g^2 A_g) = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial s} A_g + LG_g - F_g$$



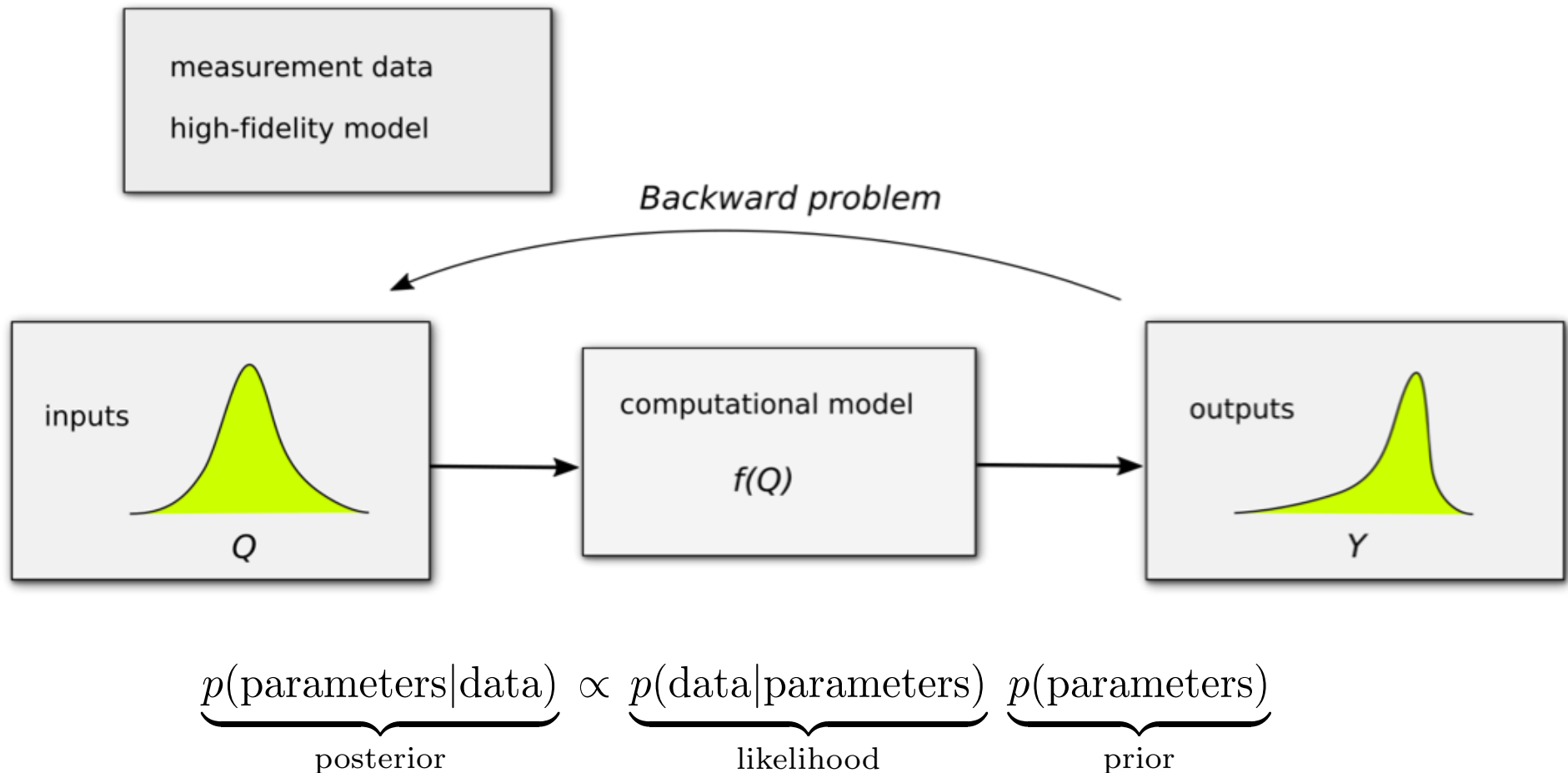
Closure problem!

# Physics-based approach



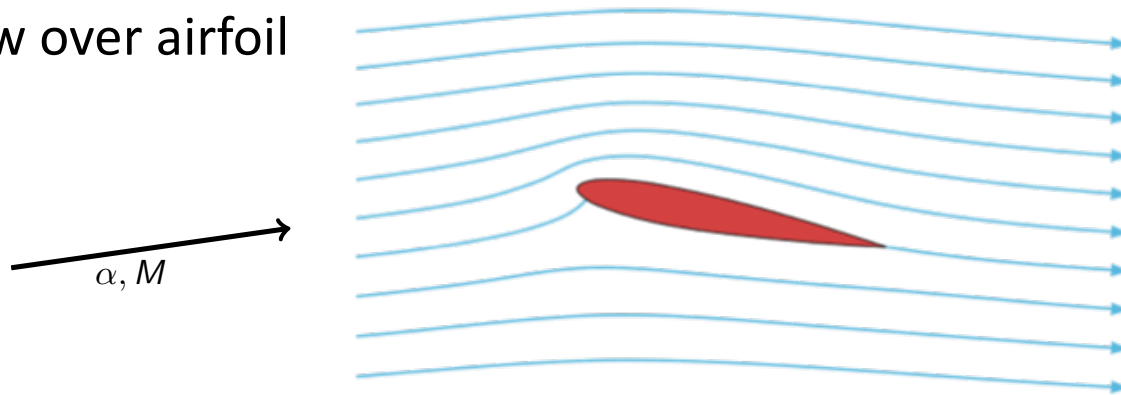
# Bayesian model calibration

- Bayesian approach: elegant, but expensive
- Surrogate models to reduce computational cost



# Calibration of turbulence model parameters

Flow over airfoil

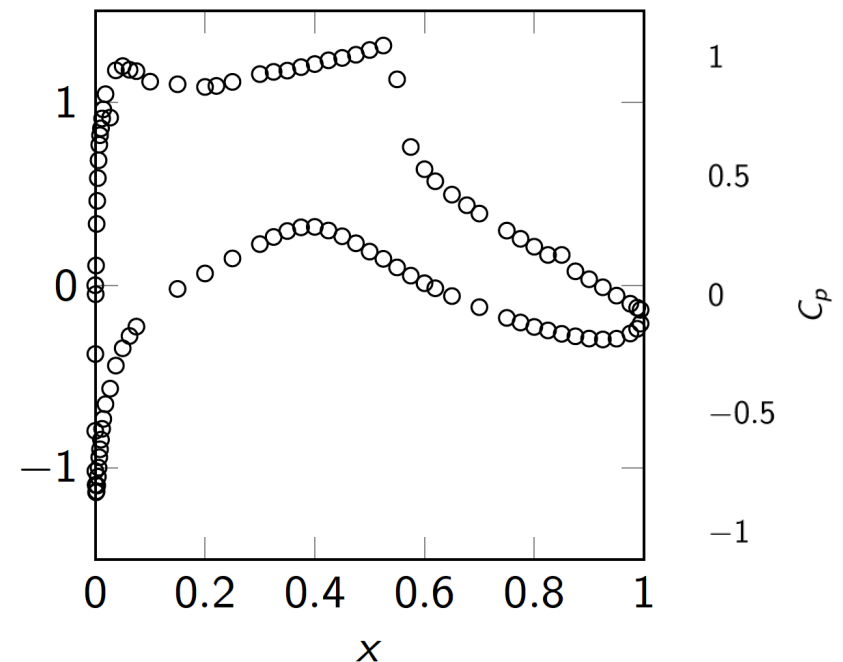


Reynolds-averaged  
Navier-Stokes equations  
7 closure parameters

$\sigma$	2/3	$C_{b1}$	0.1355	$C_{b2}$	0.622
$\kappa$	0.41	$C_{w2}$	0.3	$C_{w3}$	2.0
$C_{t3}$	1.2	$C_{t4}$	0.5	$C_{v1}$	7.1

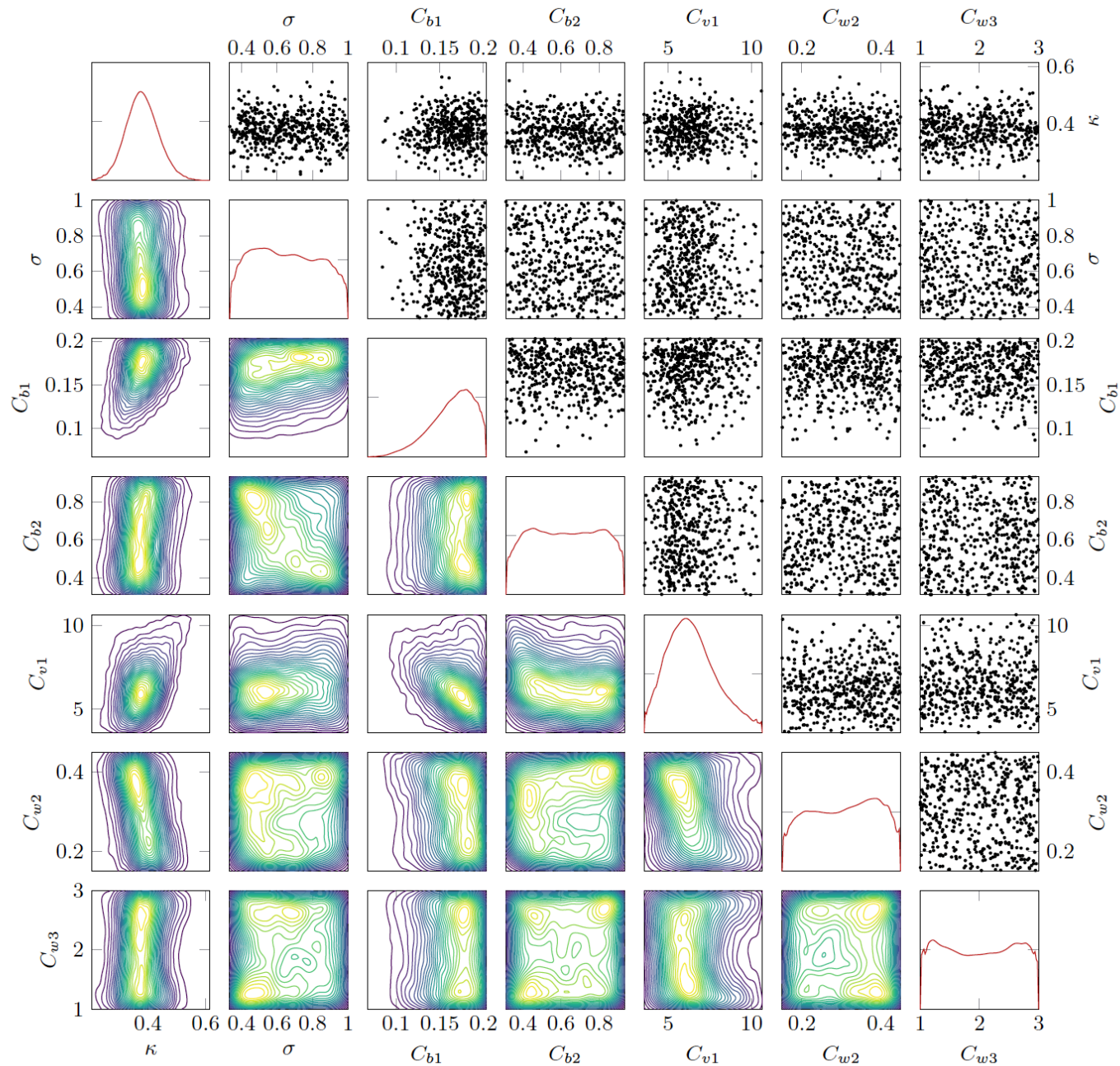
Can we calibrate these parameters  
given the experimental data?

Experimental data



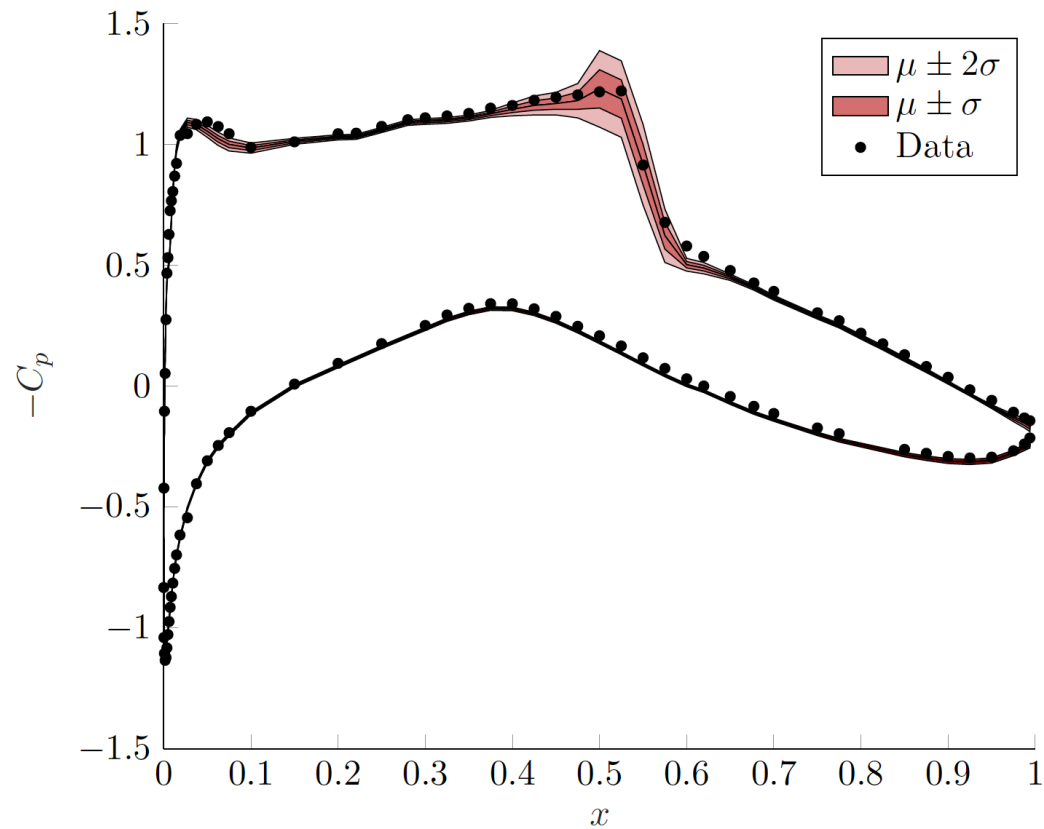


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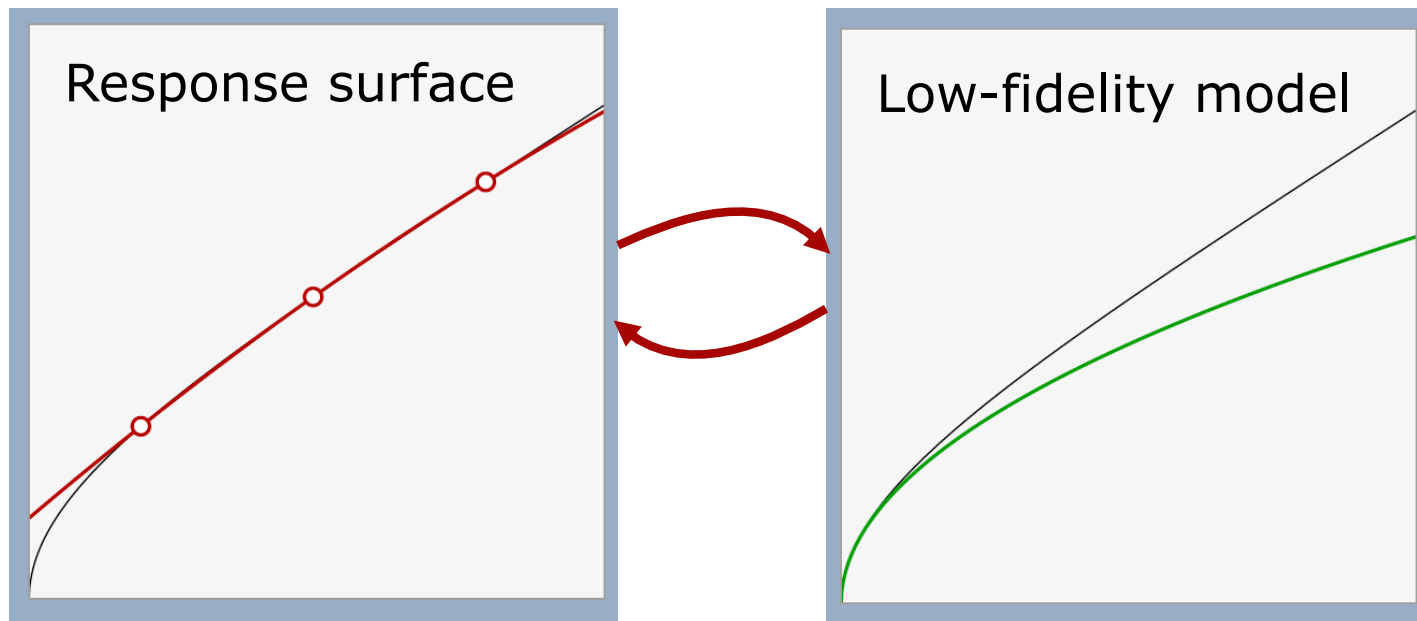
# Bayesian model calibration

- *Calibrated* model constants with probability distribution
- Quantified uncertainty for predictive capability



# Summary

- Surrogate models make UQ computable for fluid dynamics problems:
  - Propagation
  - Calibration



# Interested? Some further reading

