



Statistical approaches in nuclear **safety**
problems: recent advances around
sensitivity analysis and **metamodeling**

FROM RESEARCH TO INDUSTRY

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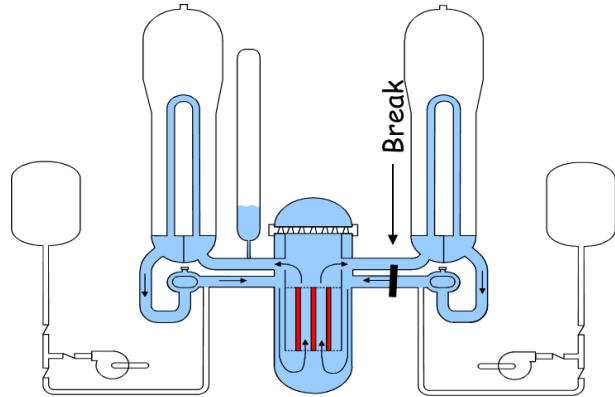
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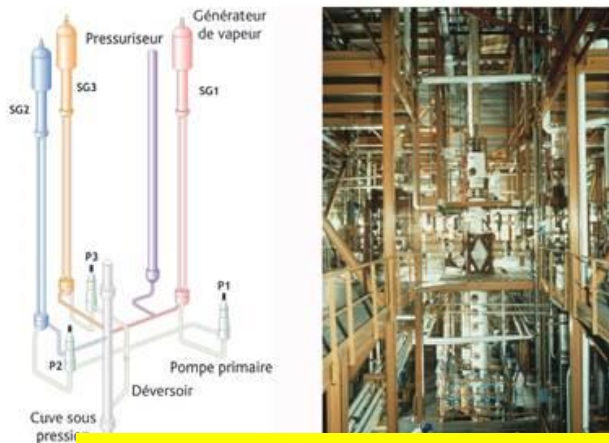
Assessment of a accidental scenario on PWR: Break Loss Of Coolant Accident (B-LOCA)



3/ Numerical simulation

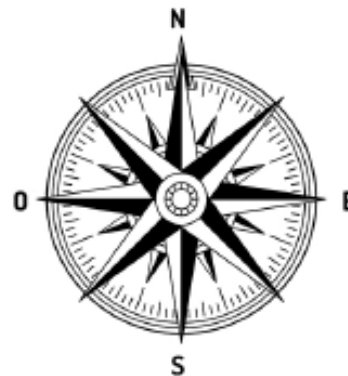
**CATHARE simulator**

Thermal-hydraulic simulation of multiphase flow dynamics
developed by the CEA
with EDF, FRAMATOME and IRSN



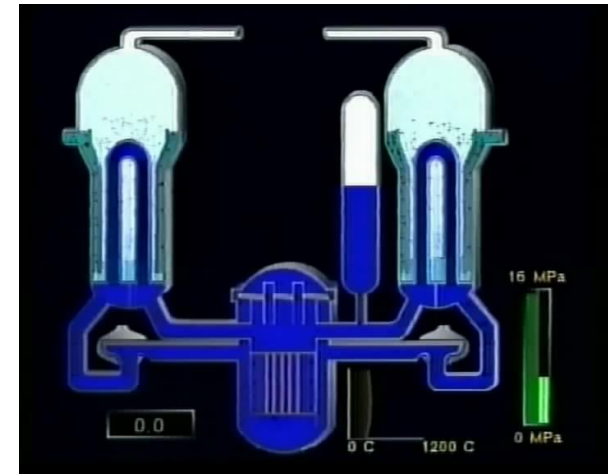
1/ Experimental results

BETHSY experimental facility: 3-loop reduced scale model (1/100 in vol., real size in height) of a 900 MWe Framatome pressurized water reactor (PWR)

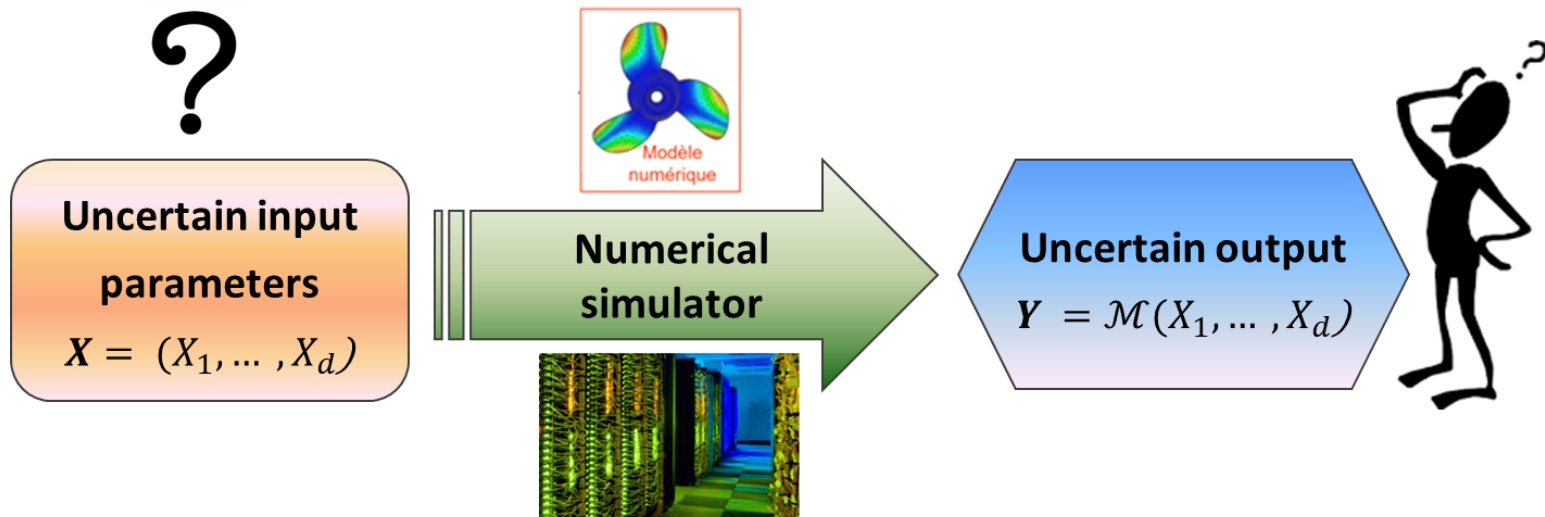


2/ Data

Thermal-hydraulics variables, physical properties and coefficients, ...



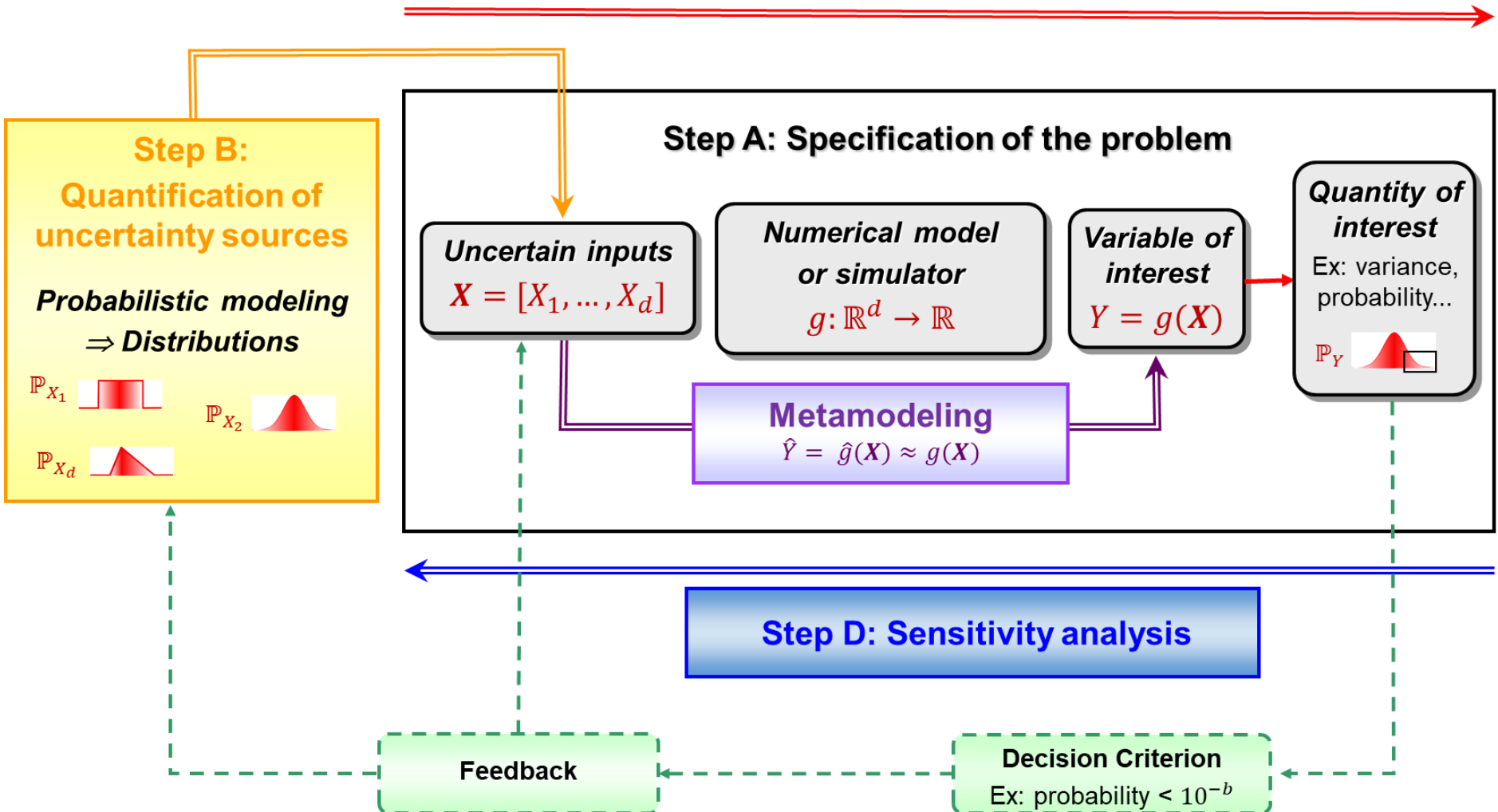
- **Safety studies:** compute a failure risk (margins, rare events) and prioritize the risk indicators, with validated computer/numerical models
- **Numerical simulators:** fundamental tools to understand, model & predict physical phenomena.
- **Large number of input parameters**, characterizing the studied phenomenon or related to its physical and numerical modelling.
- **Uncertainty on some input parameters** → impacts the **uncertainty on the output, the evaluation of safety margins**
- **BEPU (Best Estimate Plus Uncertainties):** realistic models & uncertain inputs → Better assessment of the real margins

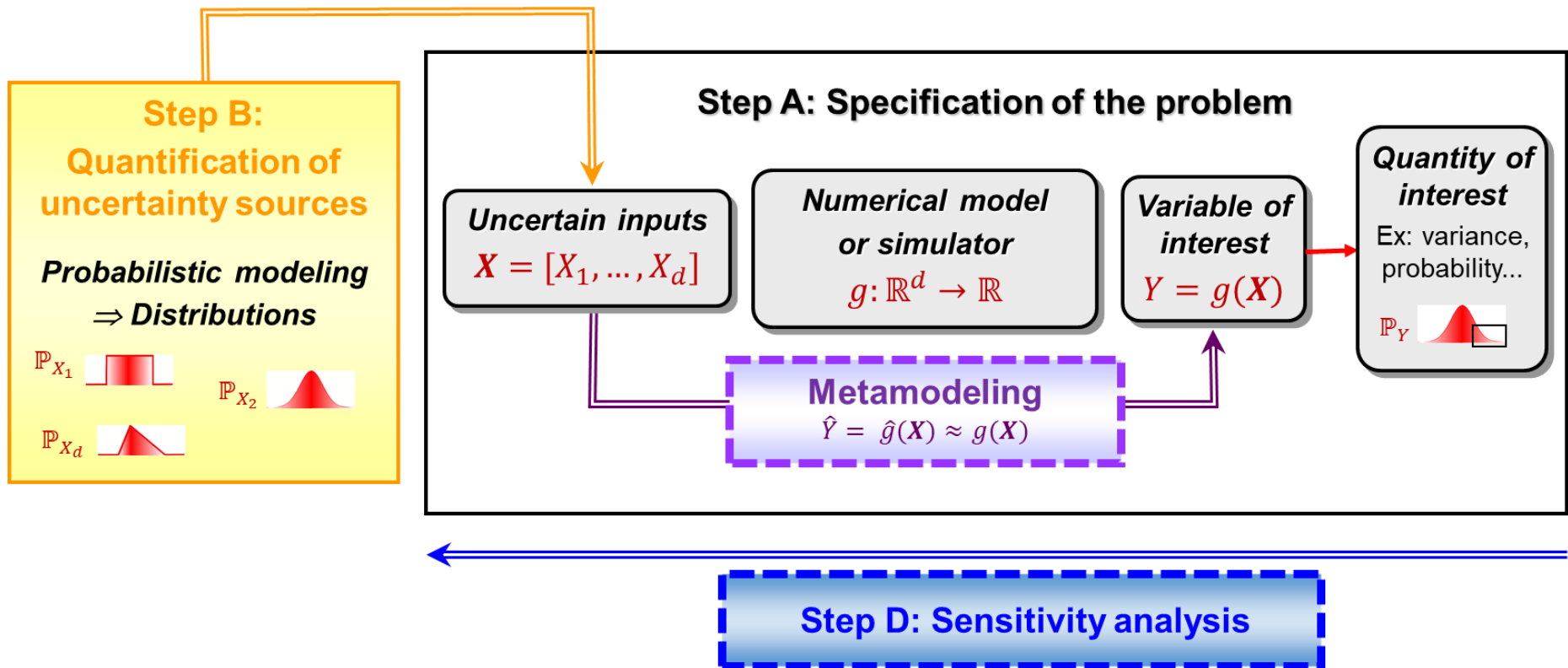


- **How to deal with uncertainties in numerical simulation?**
 - **Probabilistic** framework and **statistical methods**
 - **Monte Carlo**-based approaches and data analysis ⇒ **Data Sciences**
 - Essential use of **machine learning**

- **Data-driven methods in support of physical modeling, analysis and forecasting**
 - To **propagate the uncertainties** of the inputs
 - Assess their impact on the simulator predictions
 - Estimate **probabilities of failure, quantiles, safety margins**
 - Identify the most influential uncertain inputs: **sensitivity analysis**
 - **Calibrate** modeling parameters & input uncertainty w.r.t. experimental results
 - **Validate** the numerical simulator accuracy w.r.t. experimental results
 - Identify optimal configurations

Step C: Propagation of uncertainty sources

Extracted and modified from *De Rocquigny et al. (2008)*



Recent advances in **Sensitivity Analysis**
⇒ Focus on **HSIC** measures

⇒ Quantify how the variability of the input parameters influences the output
→ Aim of **Sensitivity Analysis (SA)**

➤ **Quantitative SA and ranking purpose:**

- Quantify the impact of each uncertain input and interaction → Ranking
→ Identify the variables to be fixed or further characterized in order to obtain the largest reduction of the output uncertainty

➤ **Screening purpose. Separate the inputs into two groups: influential and non-influential**

- Non-influential variables fixed without consequences on the output uncertainty
- In support of model reduction
- To build a simplified model, a metamodel ⇒ ICSCREAM methodology

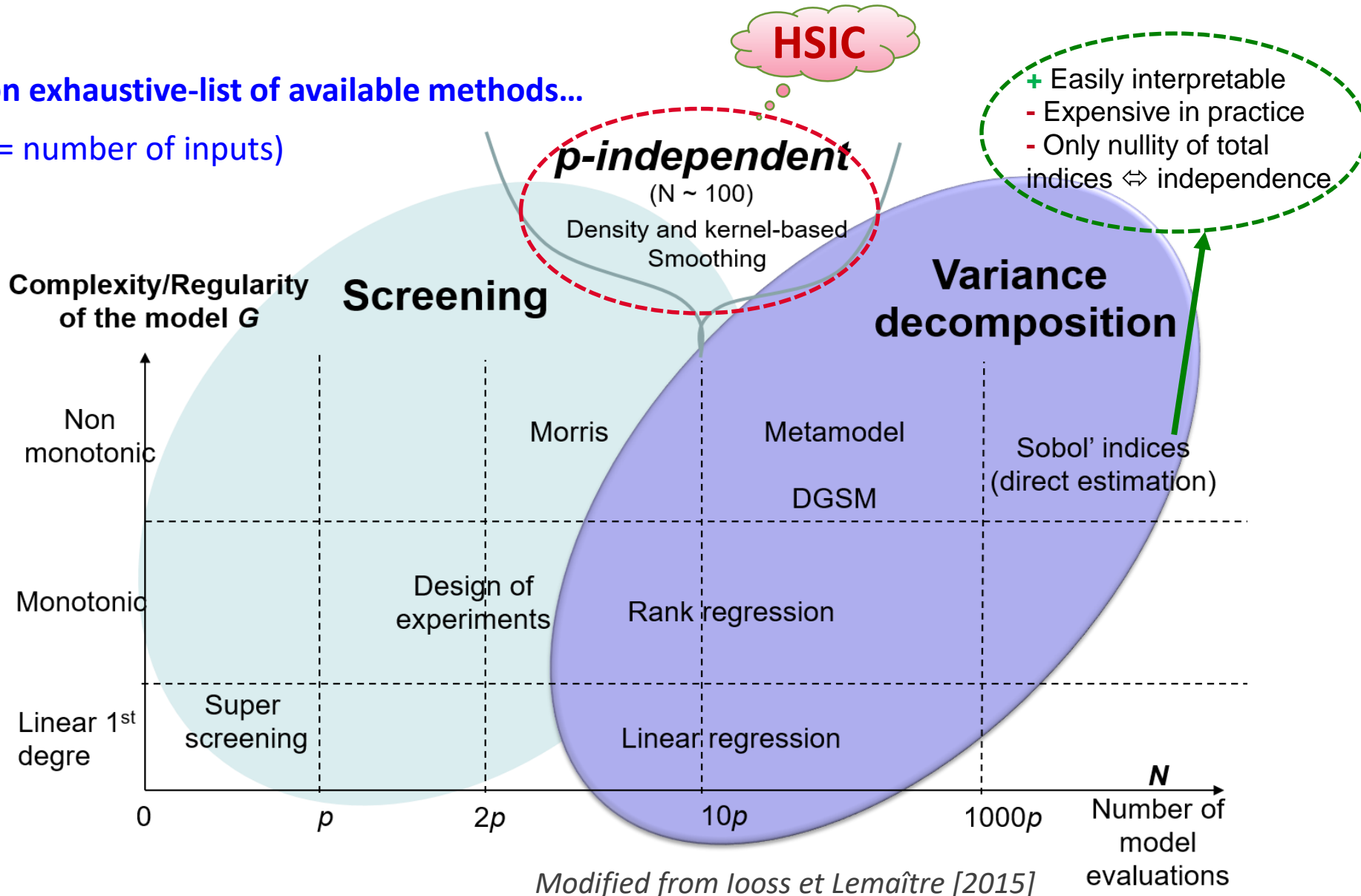


Global SA within a probabilistic framework

→ Valuable information to understand G and underlying phenomenon

Non exhaustive-list of available methods...

(p = number of inputs)



► **Black-box model**

$$Y = \mathcal{M}(X_1, \dots, X_d)$$

- X_1, \dots, X_d are d independent inputs, evolving in domain $\mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_d$
- Y evolves in domain \mathcal{Y}
- P_X denotes the probability distribution of X
- $P_{X,Y}$: the joint probability measure and $P_Y \otimes P_X$ the product of marginal distributions

► **Only a n -sample of simulations is available**

\mathcal{M} unknown, only Monte-Carlo sample $(X^{(j)}, Y^{(j)})_{1 \leq j \leq n}$ where $Y^{(j)} = \mathcal{M}(X^{(j)})$

► How to evaluate the sensitivity in a probabilistic way? \Leftrightarrow Independence

→ By comparing $P_{X_i Y}$ with $P_{X_i} \otimes P_Y$

$$S_i = d(P_{X_i Y}, P_{X_i} \otimes P_Y)$$

where d a **dissimilarity measure** between two probability distributions

d can be based on **Maximum Mean Discrepancy**:

$$\text{MMD}(\mathbb{P}, \mathbb{Q}) = \sup_{f \in \mathcal{H}} [\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}} f(Y) - \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}} f(Y)]$$

With $\mathcal{H} =$ unit ball in a (characteristic) RKHS (Reproducing Kernel Hilbert Space)

Sriperumbudur et al. [2008]

$$\Rightarrow S_i = \text{MMD}^2(P_{X_i Y}, P_{X_i} \otimes P_Y) = \text{HSIC}(X_i, Y)$$

Hilbert-Schmidt Independence Criterion

► **MMD² applied between $P_{X_i, Y}$ and $P_{X_i} \otimes P_Y \Rightarrow HSIC(X_i, Y)_{\mathcal{H}_{X_i}, \mathcal{H}_Y}$**

\mathcal{H}_{X_i} and \mathcal{H}_Y **RKHS** associated to X_i and Y , resp :

Kernel $k_{X_i}: \mathcal{X}_i \times \mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with feature space \mathcal{H}_{X_i} and feature map φ_{X_i} (not unique)

Kernel $k_Y: \mathcal{Y} \times \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with feature space \mathcal{H}_Y and feature map φ_Y

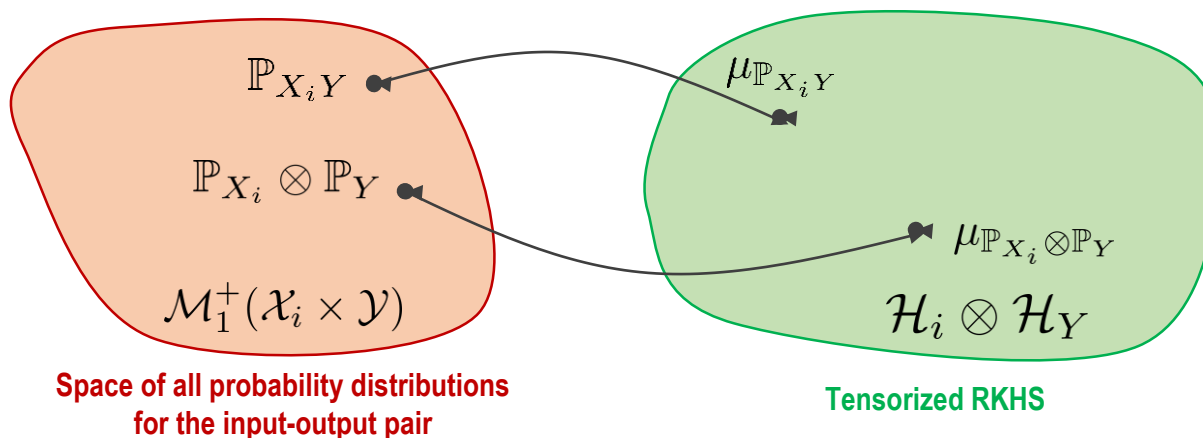
$K_{X_i}(x, x') = \langle \varphi_{X_i}(x), \varphi_{X_i}(x') \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_{X_i}}$ and $K_Y(y, y') = \langle \varphi_Y(y), \varphi_Y(y') \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_Y}$

kernel defines the inner product in the RKHS

Kernel embedding of a distribution \mathbb{P}_Z into RKHS with kernel K_Z :

$$\mu_{\mathbb{P}_Z}(z) = \mathbb{E}_{Z \sim \mathbb{P}_Z}[K_Z(Z, z)] = \langle \mu_{\mathbb{P}_Z}, K_Z(\cdot, z) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_Z}$$

Muandet et al. [2017]



Picture extracted from G. Sarazin's (CEA) slides

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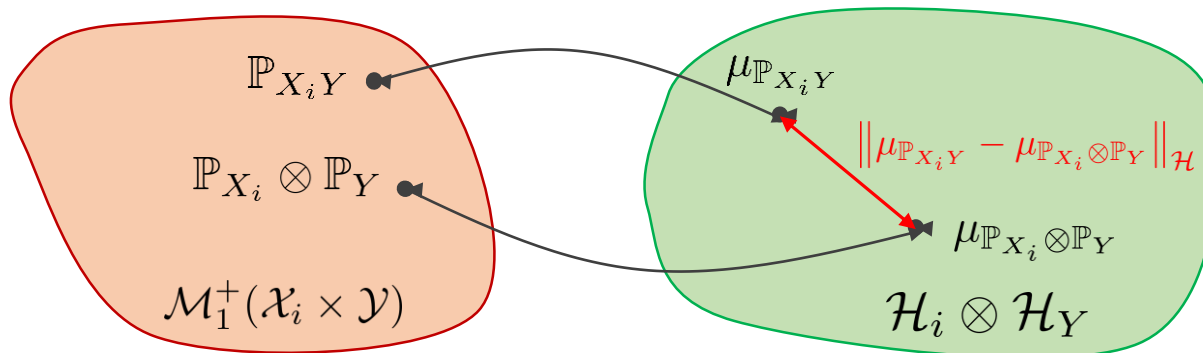
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Gretton et al. [2005]



Space of all probability distributions
for the input-output pair

Tensorized RKHS

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With $\mathbf{C}_{X, Y}$ **the covariance operator** between features maps:

$$\mathbf{C}_{X, Y} = \mathbb{E}_{X, Y}[\varphi_X(X) \otimes \varphi_Y(Y)] - \mathbb{E}_X[\varphi_X(X)] \otimes \mathbb{E}_Y[\varphi_Y(Y)]$$

HSIC "summarizes" the cross-cov between feature maps

\Rightarrow Large panel of input-output dependency can be captured.

► **Characteristic kernels and RKHS** \Rightarrow Injective canonical feature map

\Rightarrow **Equivalence to independence:** $HSIC(X, Y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow X \perp Y$

Ex: Gaussian Kernel

$$k(x_i, x'_i) = \exp\left(-\frac{(x_i - x'_i)^2}{2\lambda^2}\right)$$

► **Estimation: Kernel Trick** \Rightarrow Feature map linked to kernel function

Very simple M-C estimator from a n -sample of simulations $(X_i^{(j)}, Y^{(j)})_{1 \leq j \leq n}$

$$\widehat{HSIC}(X_i, Y) = \frac{1}{n-1} \text{Tr}(K_i H L H)$$

$$\text{where } H = I_n - \frac{1}{n}, K_i = \left(k_i \left(X_i^{(j)}, X_i^{(j')} \right) \right)_{1 \leq j, j' \leq n} \text{ and } L = \left(k \left(Y^{(j)}, Y^{(j')} \right) \right)_{1 \leq j, j' \leq n}$$

► **Statistical Properties:**

- Asymptotically unbiased, variance of order $O(1/n)$
- If $X \perp Y$, $n\widehat{HSIC}(X, Y)$ converges asymptotically to a Gamma distribution

► **Normalization for sensitivity analysis:**

$$R_{HSIC}^2 = \frac{HSIC(X, Y)}{\sqrt{HSIC(X, X)HSIC(Y, Y)}}$$

$\Rightarrow R_{HSIC}^2 \in [0, 1]$ for easier interpretation

$$\text{Influence}(X_{[1]}) > \text{Influence}(X_{[2]}) > \dots > \text{Influence}(X_{[d]})$$

Where order $[\cdot]$ is such that $\hat{R}_{H, X_{[1]}}^2 > \hat{R}_{H, X_{[2]}}^2 > \dots > \hat{R}_{H, X_{[d]}}^2$

\Rightarrow Use for ranking of inputs

► **Independence tests:** $HSIC(X, Y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow X \perp Y$ (with characteristic kernels!)

■ Null hypothesis: $\mathcal{H}_0 : X \perp Y$ against $\mathcal{H}_1 : X \not\perp Y$

■ Test statistics: $n\widehat{HSIC}(X, Y)$

■ Decision rule: \mathcal{H}_0 rejected iff $n\widehat{HSIC}(X, Y) > q_{1-\alpha}$

where $q_{1-\alpha}$ is the $(1 - \alpha)$ quantile of $n\widehat{HSIC}(X, Y)$ under \mathcal{H}_0

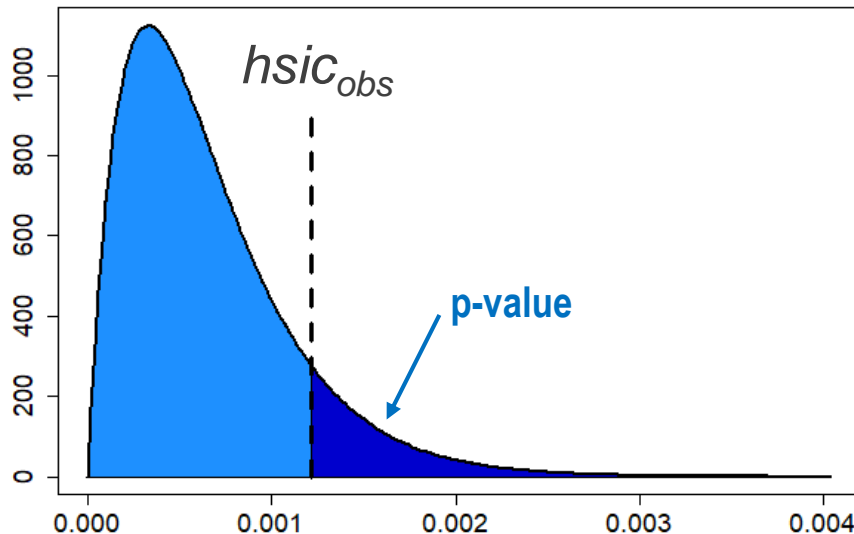
\Rightarrow Use for screening of inputs

HSIC-based independence tests for screening

How to have the distribution $n\widehat{\text{HSIC}}(X_i, Y)$ under \mathcal{H}_0 to compute *p-value*?

- ▶ **If n large: asymptotic test based** on approximation with Gamma distribution (Gretton et al. (2008])
- ▶ **If n small: Permutation-based approximation** (De Lozzo & Marrel (2016a], Meynaoui [2019], El Amri & Marrel [2021a])

Gamma distribution




$$P\text{-value} = Pr [\widehat{\text{HSIC}}(X_i, Y) > h_{\text{sic}_{\text{obs}}}]$$

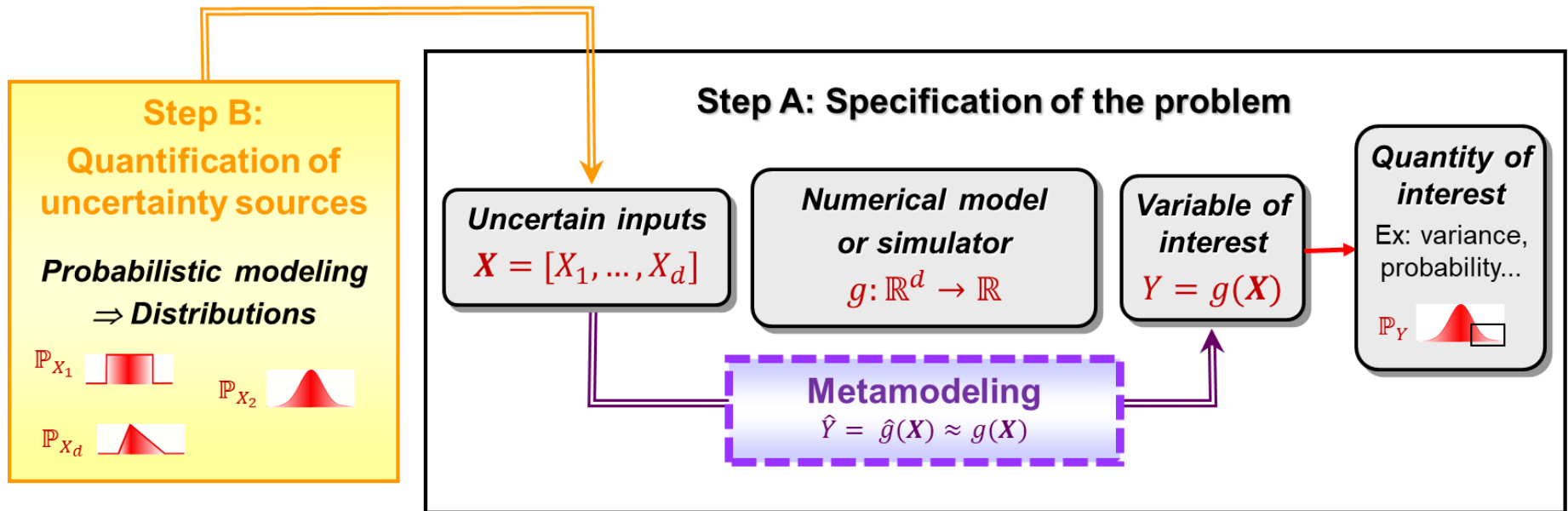
Interpretation of *p-value* for a level α ($\alpha = 5\%$ or 10%) for screening:

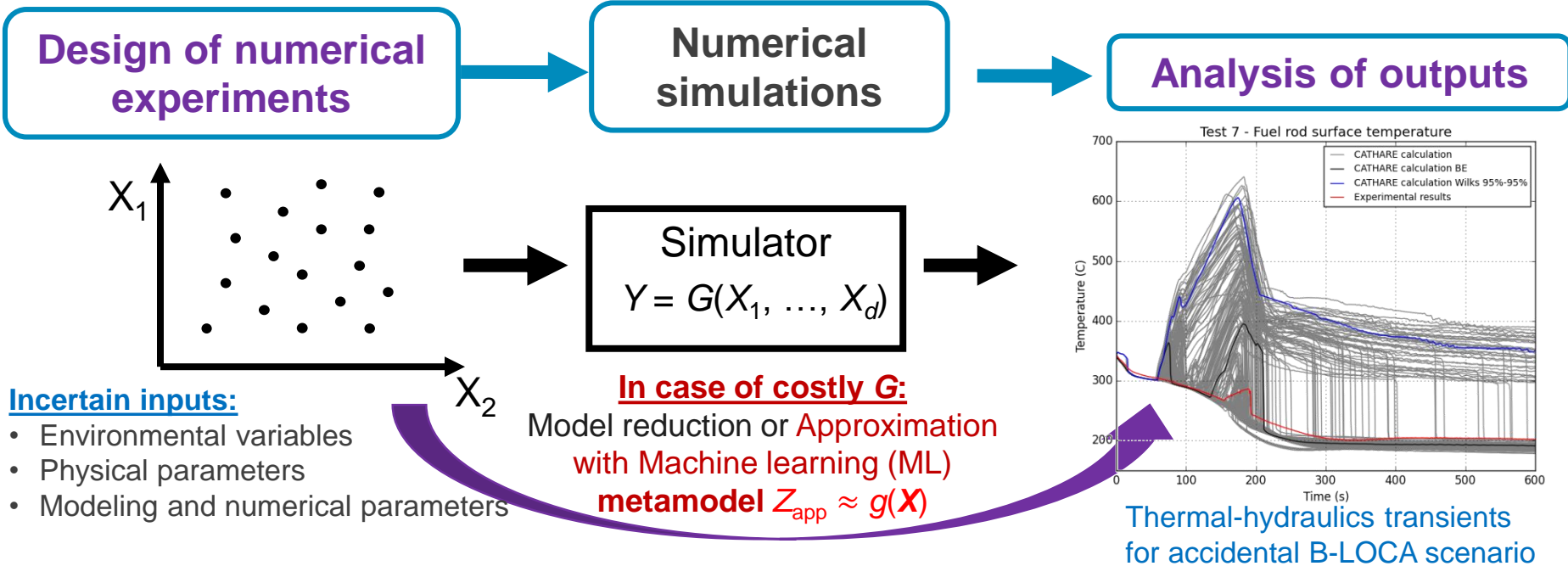
- **$p\text{val} < \alpha \Rightarrow H_0$ (Independence) rejected $\Rightarrow X_i$ is significantly influential**

► HSIC as indices of Sensitivity Analysis

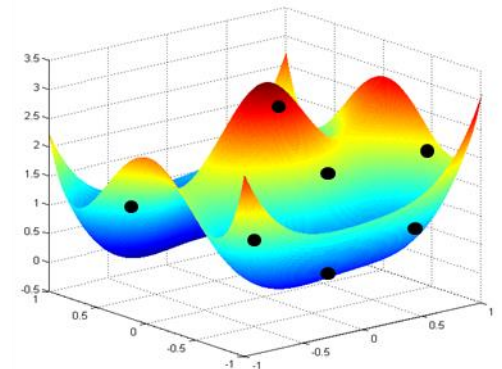
- Focus the SA analysis on the difference between $P_{X,Y}$ with $P_X \otimes P_Y$
 - Power of RKHS \rightarrow HSIC=one of the most successful non-parametric dependence measure
 - Capture a **large spectrum of relationships**
 - Able to deal with **many types of variables** and **purposes**:
 - **Goal-oriented SA for safety studies** (Marrel & Chabridon [2021], Iooss & Marrel[2019]) :
To measure the input influence in a **restricted output domain**: $Y \in \mathcal{C}$
 \Rightarrow Numerous applications for **safety and risk assessment** (\mathcal{C} : critical safety domain, e.g. $\mathcal{C} = \{Y | Y > \text{critical value}\}$)
 - **SA of multivariate or functional output (or inputs)** \Rightarrow **definition of specific kernels**
Atmospheric dispersion model with **spatio-temporal output** (De Lozzo & Marrel [2016b]),
Dynamic compartmental epidemiologic model on COVID-19 (El Amri & Marrel [2021b])
-  **Efficiency demonstrated in numerous industrial applications, especially with small sample size n and large dimension d**
- **Use in support of metamodeling in large dimension** \rightarrow **ICSCREAM Methodology**

Recent advances in **Metamodeling**
⇒ Focus on **Gaussian Process (GP) Regression**





- ✓ With good **approximation and prediction capabilities** ⇒ to be controlled
 - ✓ With a negligible cpu cost for prediction
 - ✓ Built from a Monte Carlo sample of n experiments ($n \sim 10 d$)
- Ex.: Polynomials, splines, neural networks, regression trees...*



Choice: Gaussian process (GP) metamodel

see *Rasmussen & Williams [2005]*

Part of *Supervised Machine Learning*

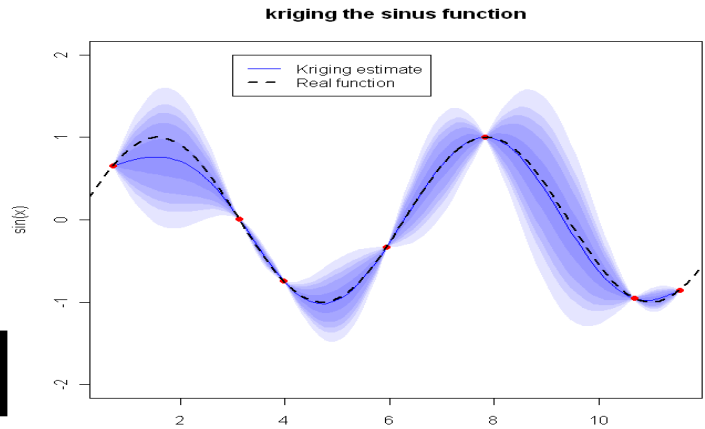
Advantage: gives a prediction with an associated error bound (Gaussian distribution at each point)

➔ How to build the GP in large dimension?

➔ How to build the GP for chaotic code?

➔ How to build the GP for functional or other type of data?

➔ Integration of physical constraints?
cf. Bachoc's talk



- ✓ Kernel-based method of supervised learning from (X_S, Y_S) . Response is considered as a realization of a random GP field:

$$Y(\mathbf{x}) \sim GP(\mu(\mathbf{x}), k(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}))$$

With $\mu(\mathbf{x})$ the mean and $k(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x})$ the covariance function.

- ⇒ Predictive GP is the GP conditioned by the observations (X_S, Y_S) :

$$Y(\mathbf{x}^*) | Y(X_S) = Y_S \sim GP(\hat{\mu}(\mathbf{x}^*), \hat{s}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}^*))$$

With

- $\hat{\mu}(\mathbf{x}^*) = E[Y(\mathbf{x}^*) | Y(X_S) = Y_S] = \mu(\mathbf{x}^*) + k_{X_S, \mathbf{x}^*}^T K_{X_S, X_S}^{-1} (Y_S - \boldsymbol{\mu}_S)$
- $\hat{s}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}^*) = \text{Cov}[Y(\mathbf{x}^*) | Y(X_S) = Y_S] = k_{X_S, \mathbf{x}^*}^T K_{X_S, X_S}^{-1} k_{X_S, \mathbf{x}^*}$

where $\boldsymbol{\mu}_S$ corresponds to μ evaluated at X_S , k_{X_S, \mathbf{x}^*} the covariance between X_S and \mathbf{x}^* and K_{X_S, X_S} the covariance matrix for X_S

- ⇒ **Conditional mean** $\hat{\mu}(\mathbf{x}^*)$ serves as the **predictor** at location \mathbf{x}^*

- ⇒ **Prediction variance** (*i.e.* mean squared error) given by **conditional covariance** $\hat{s}(\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{x}^*)$

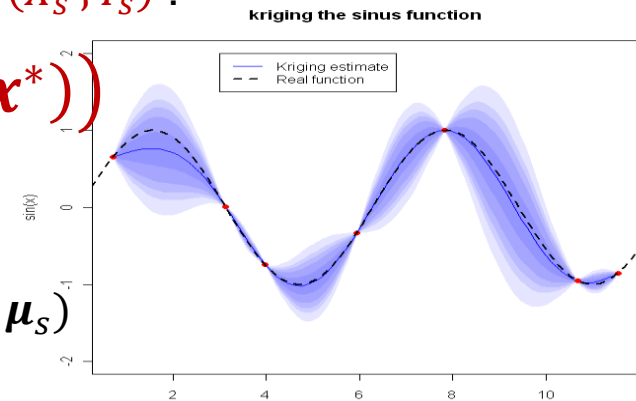


Illustration: the **ICSCREAM** methodology for the
IB-LOCA nuclear accident

Accidental scenario on pressurized water reactor: IB-LOCA

LOss of primary **C**oolant **A**ccident due to a **I**ntermediate **B**reak in cold leg

d (~ 100) input random variables:

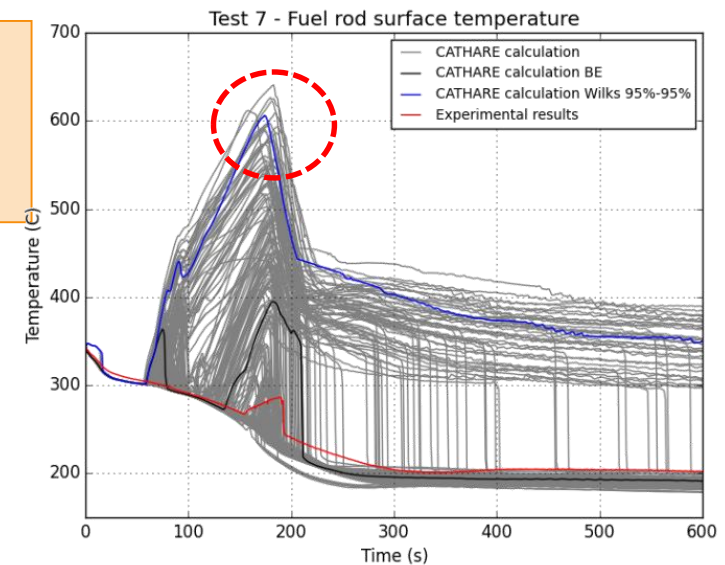
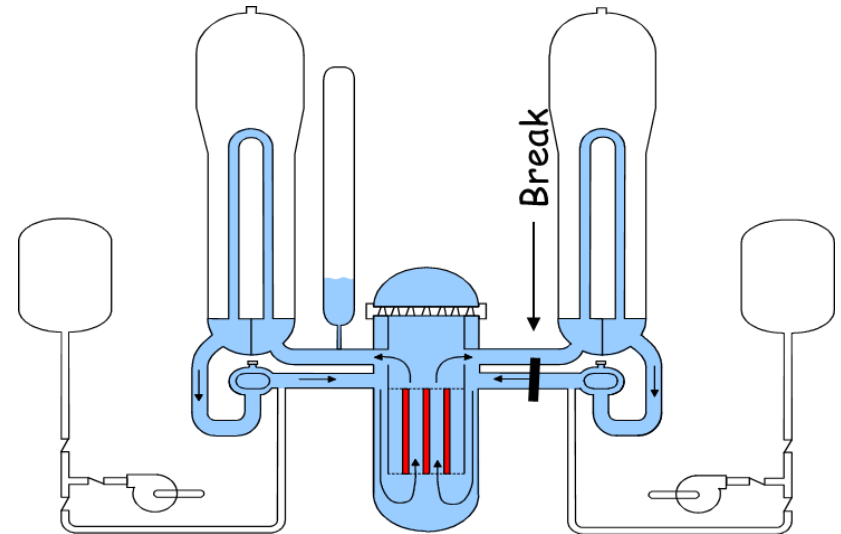
Critical flowrates, initial/boundary conditions, phys. eq. coef., ...

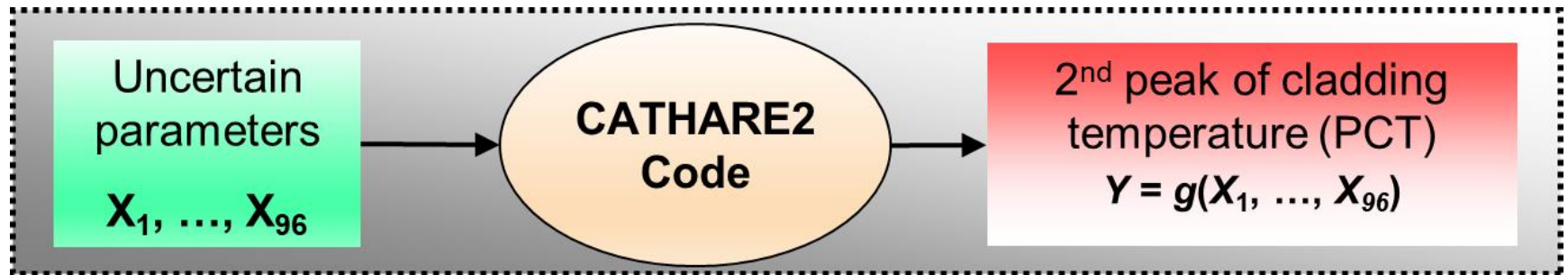
Modelled with CATHARE2 code:

- Models complex thermal-hydraulic phenomena
- **Large CPU cost for one code run (> 1 hour)**

Variable of Interest:

2nd peak of cladding temperature (PCT)
= scalar output





- In IB-LOCA modeling framework, uncertain input parameters are:
 - ▶ (Type 1) Initial conditions, physical model parameters \Rightarrow Probabilistic ($\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{LU}, \mathcal{N}, \mathcal{LN}$)
 - ▶ (Type 2) **Scenario parameters (min / max bounds)** \Rightarrow **No probabilistic**

Objective in support of safety studies

Identify the most **penalizing configurations** for **Type 2** inputs, under the uncertainties of **type 1** inputs.

Penalizing configurations \Leftrightarrow leading to **high PCT values**

IB-LOCA: Intermediate Break LOss of Coolant Accident

Problems & constraints

- **Very large number of inputs (~100)**, but **effective** dimension might be lower
 - Each CATHARE simulation ~ 1 hour ⇒ around 1000 simulations available
 - Phenomena involved are complex **with strong non-linearities**
 - Black-box model: intrusive methods not possible
- ⇒ **Monte Carlo sampling + advanced statistical tools for data analysis**
- ✓ Screening and sensitivity analysis
 - ✓ Approximation with metamodel
 - ✓ Uncertainty propagation
- ⇒ **Adapted to VERY HIGH DIMENSIONAL test case (~100 uncertain inputs)**

⇒ **ICSCREAM*** methodology in 4 Main Steps

Identification of penalizing Configurations using **SCREening And **ME**tamodel*

Uncertainty quantification of uncertain inputs + scenario inputs to be penalized X_{pen}

Uncertain inputs $X = (X_1, \dots, X_{d'})$ with probability distributions + scenario inputs X_{pen}



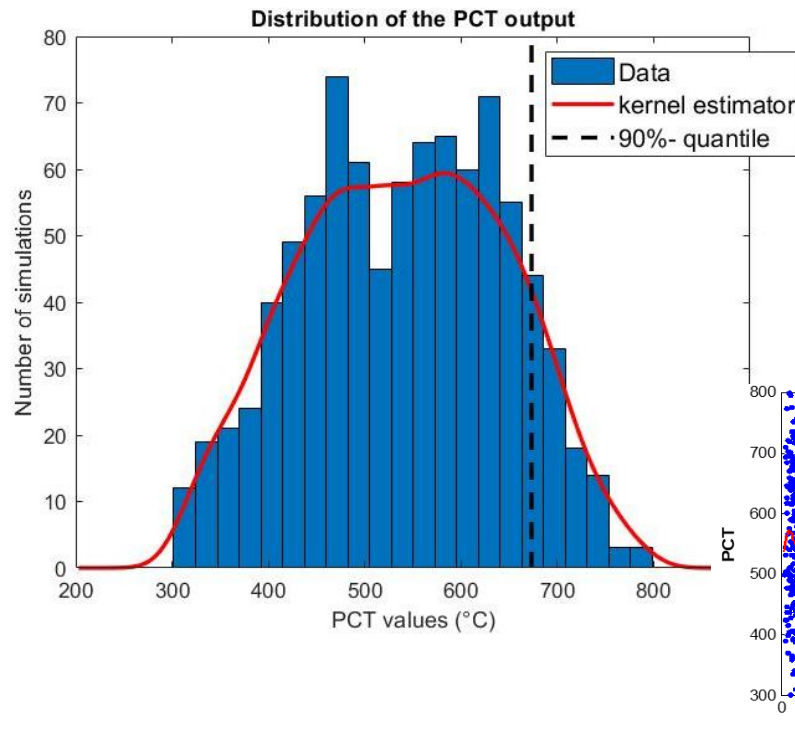
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Monte-Carlo design of n experiments $X_S = \{x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n)}\}$ and associated CATHARE2 PCT outputs Y_S

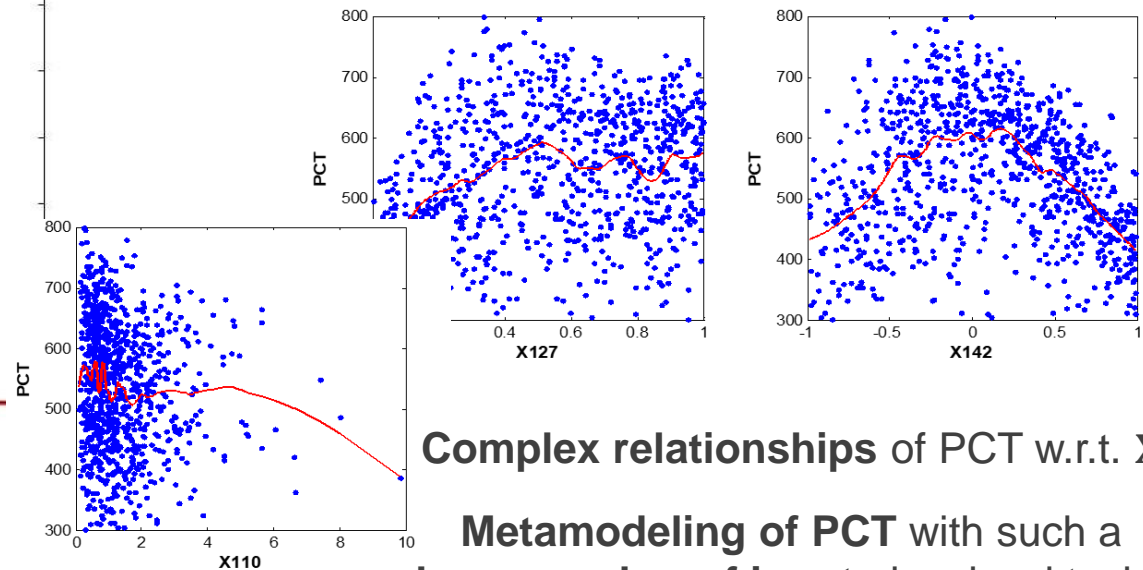
- ▶ **$d = 96$ uncertain variables** with probability distributions \mathbb{P}_X (almost indep.)
- ▶ **$n = 889$ CATHARE2 simulations** : Monte-Carlo sample ($X \sim \mathbb{P}_X$)

Empirical quantile 90%: $q_{0.9} \approx 673.18 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$

Critical configurations are defined as: **$\text{PCT} > q_{0.9}$**



Scatter plots with 1-D local polynomials for trends

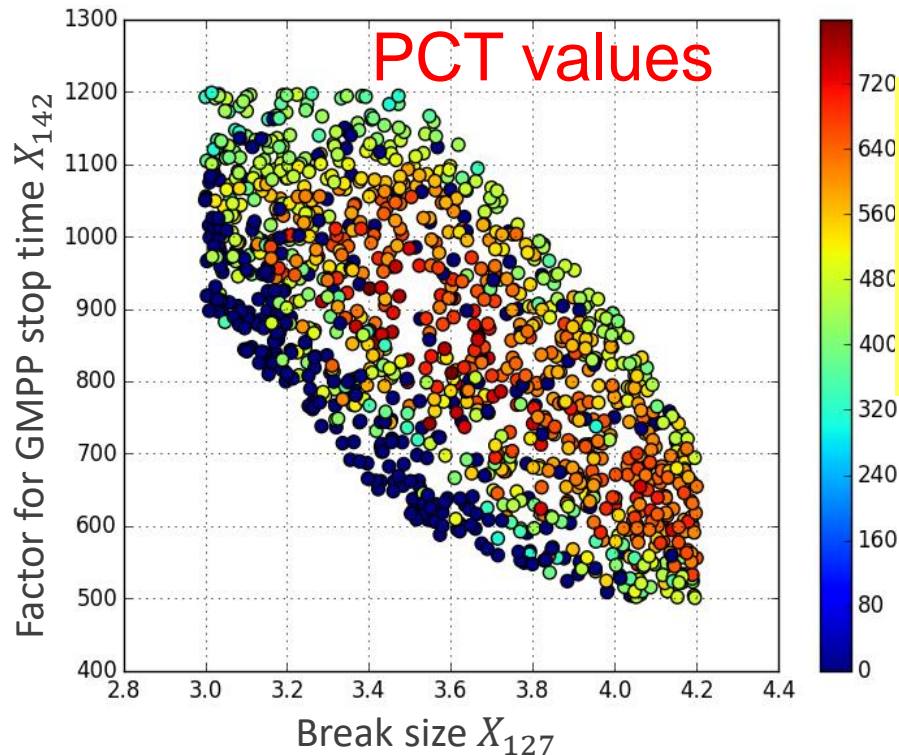


Complex relationships of PCT w.r.t. X

Metamodeling of PCT with such a large number of inputs is a hard task!!

Among 96 inputs, 2 scenario inputs to be penalized (here dependent):

- ▶ X_{127} (break size): uniform distribution on [3, 4.2] inches
- ▶ X_{142} (factor for GMPP stop time): uniform random variable whose range of variation depends on the value of X_{127}



➤ Objective:

Precisely capture **critical configurations** of (X_{127}, X_{142}) which lead to the highest probability of PCT exceeding $q_{0.9}$ (≈ 673.18 °C)

$$X_{pen} = \{X_{127}, X_{142}\} \subset X$$

GMPP : *group of primary pumps*

Uncertainty quantification of uncertain inputs + scenario inputs to be penalized X_{pen}



Step 1: Learning sample of n simulations (X_S, Y_S)



Step 2: Screening and ranking with HSIC-based independence tests from (X_S, Y_S)

Identify and **rank** the inputs of primary influence with **HSIC**-based tests

Global Sensitivity Analysis

Global (G-) HSIC

Goal-oriented Sensitivity Analysis:
focus on exceeding the 90%-quantile

Target (T-) HSIC

Global-HSIC tests

~ 18 influential inputs in GSA

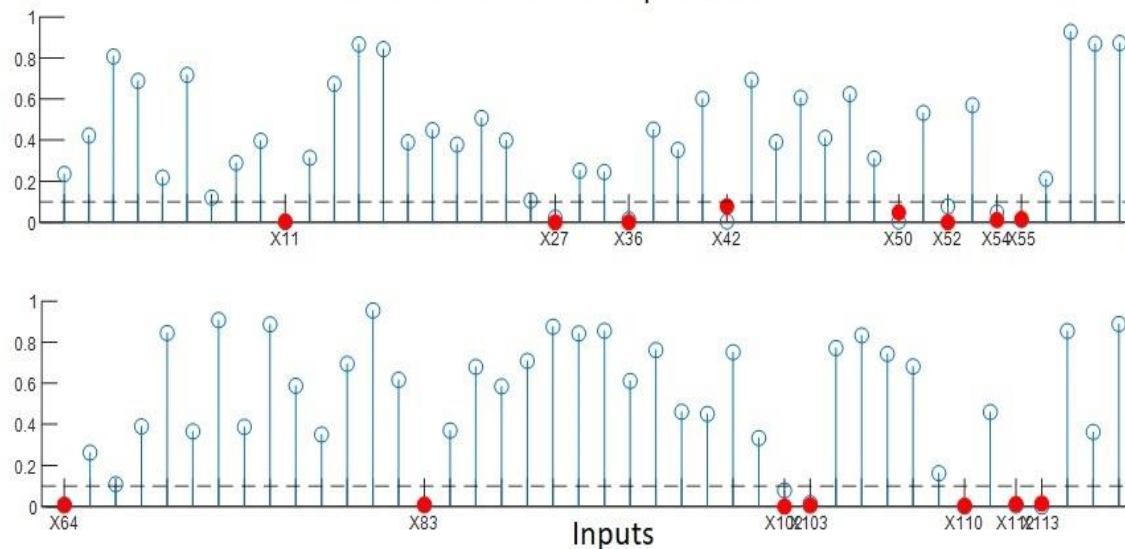
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Influence + : X127 (break size)

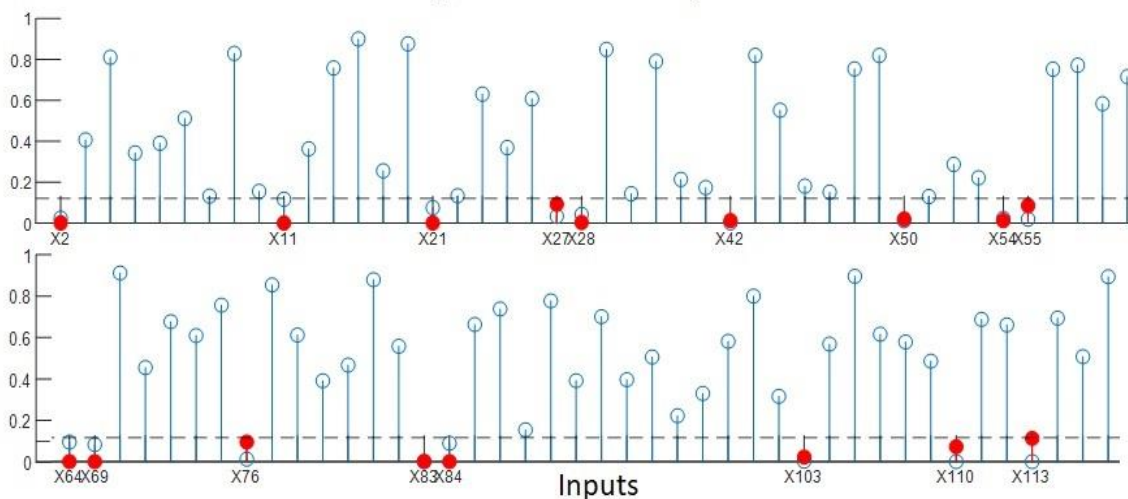
Influence : X113, X110, X11

Lower influence : X50, X42, X112, X83, X64,
X125, X55, X103, X36, X27, X54, X102, X52

P-value of HSIC-based Independence tests



P-value of Target-HSIC-based Independence tests



T-HSIC \Rightarrow Impact on exceeding
the 90%-quantile $\hat{q}_{0.9}(Y)$

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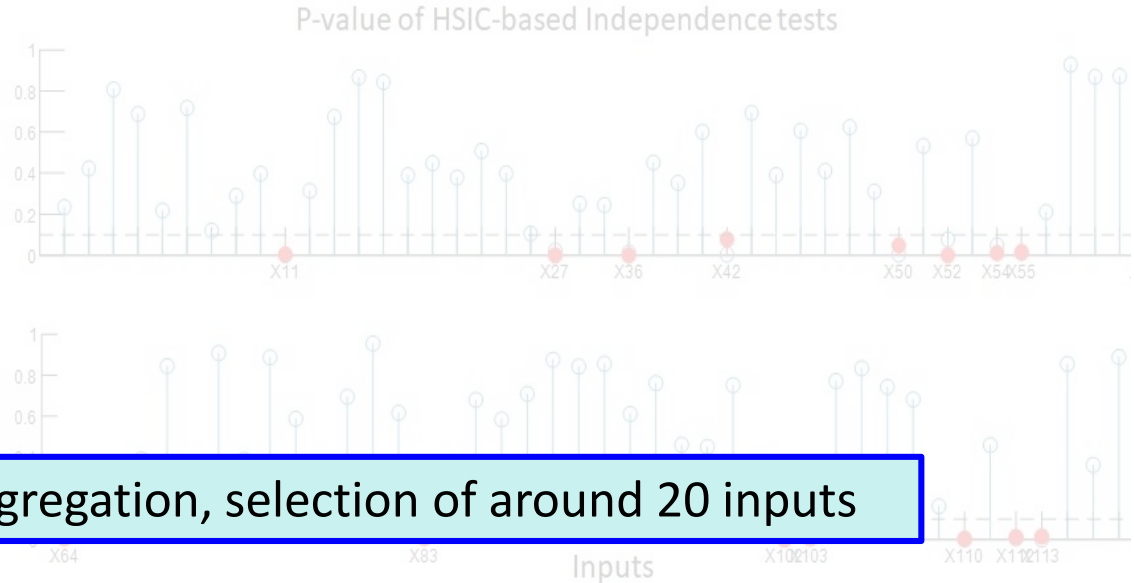
Lower influence : X42, X103, X76, X50, X55, X54,
X2, X27, X28, X21, X84, X64, X11

STEP 2: Screening & ranking of inputs

Illustration on the IB-LOCA test case

Global-HSIC tests

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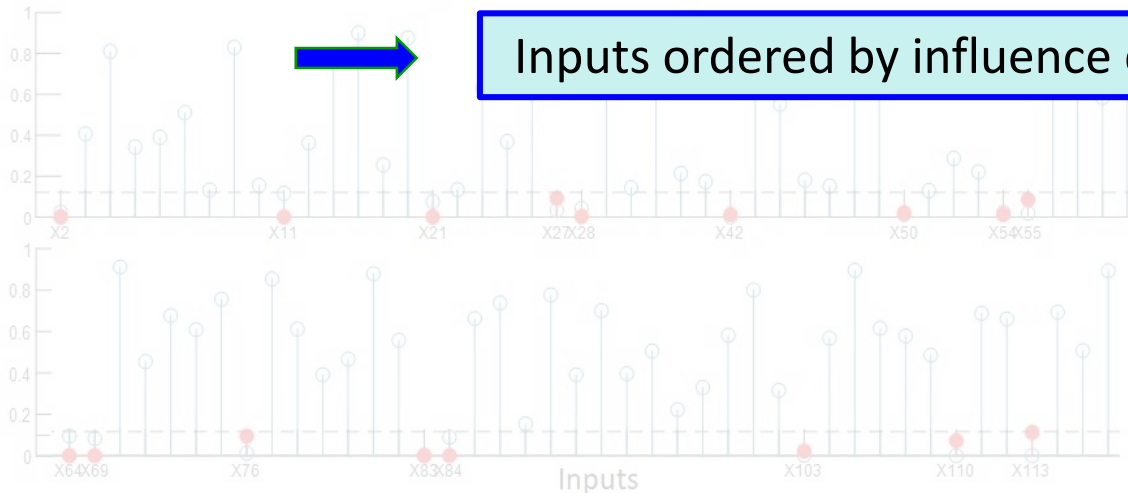
From aggregation, selection of around 20 inputs

P-value of Target-HSIC-based Independence tests



Inputs ordered by influence d° , using *P-values*

ing the 90%-quantile $q_{0.9}(Y)$



~ 19 influential inputs in TSA
Influence ++ : X142
Influence + : X113, X110, X127, X125, X83
 Lower influence : X42, X103, X76, X50, X55, X54, X2, X27, X28, X21, X84, X64, X11

Uncertainty quantification of uncertain inputs + scenario inputs to be penalized X_{pen}

Step 1: Learning sample of n simulations (X_S, Y_S)

Step 2: Screening and ranking with HSIC and T-HSIC independence tests from (X_S, Y_S)

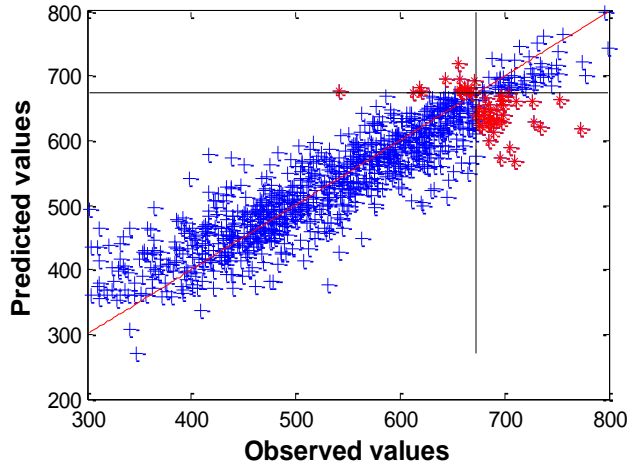
Step 3: Sequential Metamodeling → Gaussian process (GP) regression from (X_S, Y_S)

→ Challenge to be addressed here: how to build the GP in large dimension ($d \sim 100$) ?

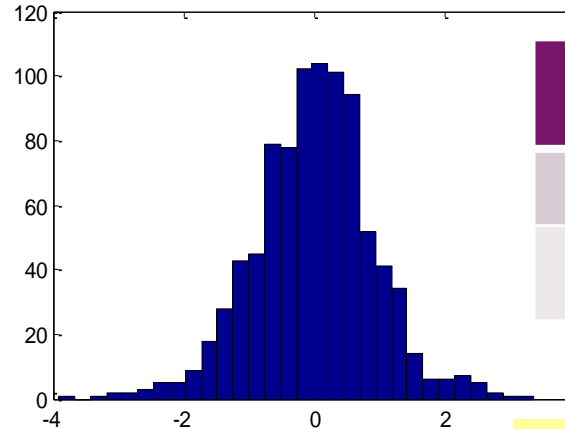
→ Use the information of screening and ranking from HSIC
⇒ **Sequential estimation of GP hyperparameters**

Assessment of accuracy and predictivity of final GP metamodel built on $N = 889$ simulations

Predictivity by CV

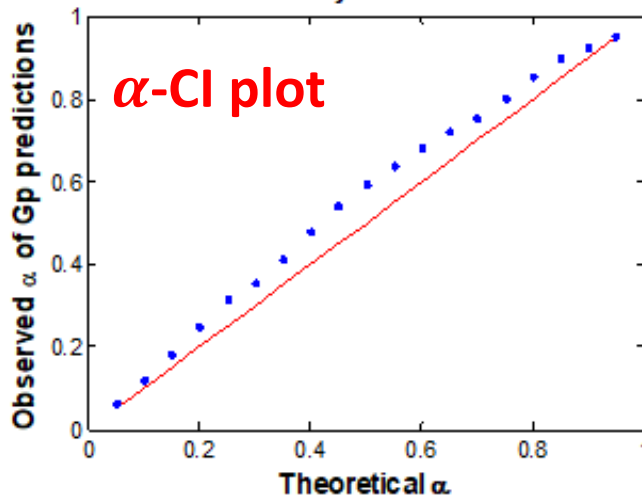


Std Residuals by CV



Accuracy criterion	Sequential GP
Q^2	0.82
PVA	0.15

Accuracy of CI levels



- ⇒ Q^2 : 82 % of PCT variance explained by the GP built with the 20 selected 96 inputs
- ⇒ 18% of variance unexplained: inaccuracy of the GP + total effect of the 76 neglected inputs
- ⇒ **Low PVA and good α -CI plot:** accurate confidence intervals in prediction

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Step 4: Uncertainty propagation with GP metamodel
⇒ Identify penalizing values of X_{pen} under the uncertainty of the other inputs $\{X \setminus X_{pen}\}$

Step 4: Uncertainty propagation with GP metamodel to identify the penalizing values of X_{pen} under the uncertainty of the other inputs $\{X \setminus X_{pen}\}$

⇒ Precisely capture critical configurations of $X_{pen} = \{X_{127}, X_{143}\}$ which lead to the highest probability of $PCT > \hat{q}_{0.9}(Y)$ (under randomness of the other variables)

Notations :

- X_{exp} are explanatory inputs of the GP
- $\tilde{X}_{exp} = X_{exp} \setminus X_{pen}$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{P}(X_{pen}) &= P[Y_{GP}(X_{exp}) > \hat{q}_{0.9} | X_{pen}] \\ &= 1 - \int_{\tilde{X}_{exp}} \Phi \left(\frac{\hat{q}_{0.9} - \hat{Y}_{GP}(\tilde{x}_{exp}, X_{pen})}{\sqrt{MSE[\hat{Y}_{GP}(\tilde{x}_{exp}, X_{pen})]}} \right) d\mathbb{P}_{\tilde{X}_{exp}}(\tilde{x}_{exp}) \end{aligned}$$

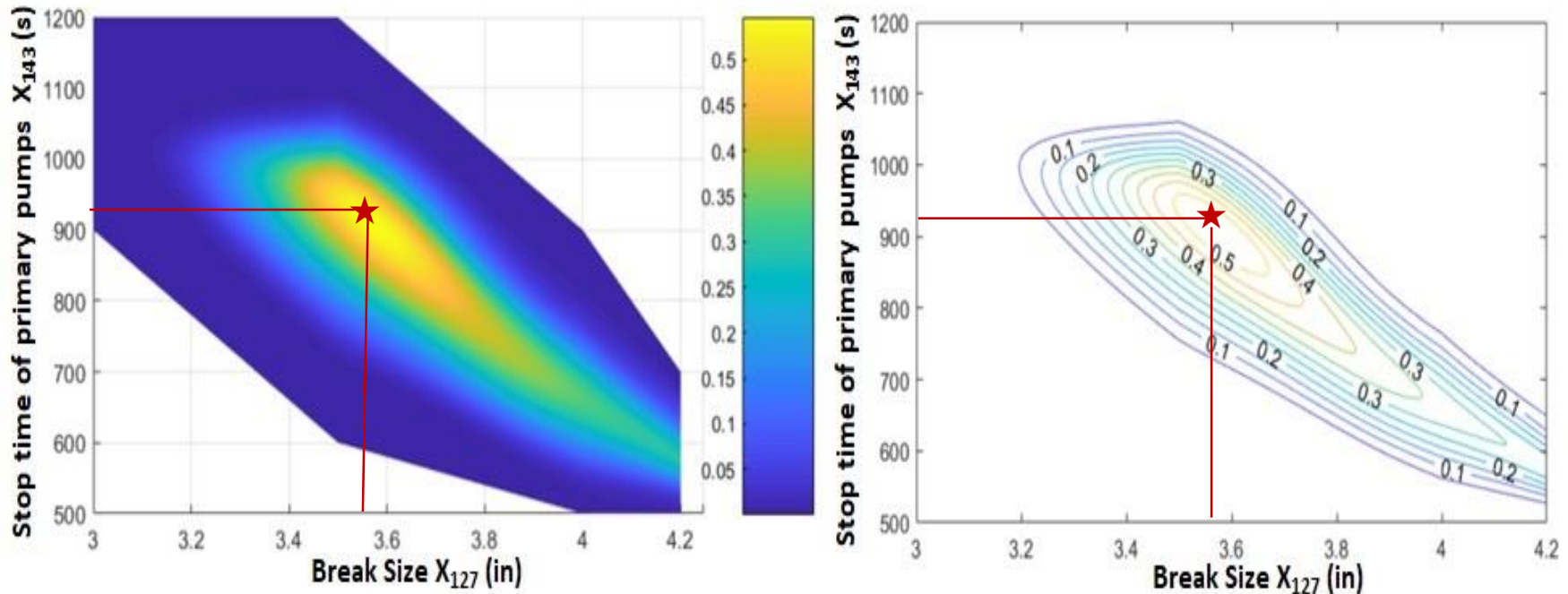
Variation domain of \tilde{X}_{exp}

Joint distribution of \tilde{X}_{exp}

\tilde{X}_{exp} and X_{pen} are independent (necessary condition)

Φ : CDF of standard Gaussian distribution

- In practice, for each value of $X_{pen} = \{X_{127}, X_{143}\}$, $\hat{P}(X_{pen})$ is estimated by intensive Monte-Carlo computation (here integral in dimension 18 in the use-case)

Computation of $\hat{P}(X_{pen})$ Probability of exceeding $\hat{q}_{0,9} = 673.18^\circ\text{C}$, according to X_{127} and X_{143} 

- ▶ Strong interaction between the two scenario parameters
- ▶ Worst case: (3.57 inches, 907.8 seconds) $\Rightarrow \hat{P} \approx 0.55$
- ▶ **Physical explanation: these two parameters drive the degradation of the water inventory**
 - The smaller X_{127} , the longer the pump will have to run for the same inventory degradation
 - If $X_{127} < 3.3 \Rightarrow$ the water inventory does not degrade too much (whatever GMPP)
 - If $X_{127} > 3.9 \Rightarrow$ break tends to be prevailing and reduces the impact of stop time of GMPP

- **Model exploration : numerical Designs of Experiments (DoE)**
 - Space-filling designs for large number of uncertain inputs
 - How to tackle the curse of dimensionality?
 - Extension to functional (temporal/spatial) inputs?
 - Adaptive/sequential DoE (tractability in large dimension)
- **Sensitivity analysis techniques**
 - Advanced and robust screening (dimension reduction) and ranking techniques
 - Extension to functional (temporal/spatial) outputs?
 - Extension to correlated inputs?
- **Metamodeling for large number of uncertain inputs**
 - How to build accurate and reliable GP metamodel in very large dimension d ?
 - Scalability with large sample size n ?
- **Validation/Calibration of model (real experiments vs. calculations)**
 - Bayesian approaches
 - Definition of relevant metrics for validation

► **Some are notably addressed within the ANR SAMOURAI project**

→ **Advanced and robust screening and ranking**

Decomposition into main effects & interactions must be investigated

⇒ Assess the use of **HSIC with ANOVA-like kernels** (*Da Veiga [2021]*)

⇒ Build associated independence tests

⇒ Relevancy in support of metamodel building

→ **BuildGP in large dimension: improve reliability**

⇒ More reliable estimation of hyperparameters

⇒ Bayesian approach and sparse GP

→ **Adaptive/sequential DoE**



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