

# Complex Computer Models: Leveraging Methods for Physical Experiments

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significant interaction  $\Rightarrow$  at least one of its factors has a significant main effects (Yates, 1937; Hamada and Wu, 1992)
- Effect hierarchy: lower-order effects tend to be more significant than higher-order effects (Yates, 1937; Wu and Hamada, 2009)



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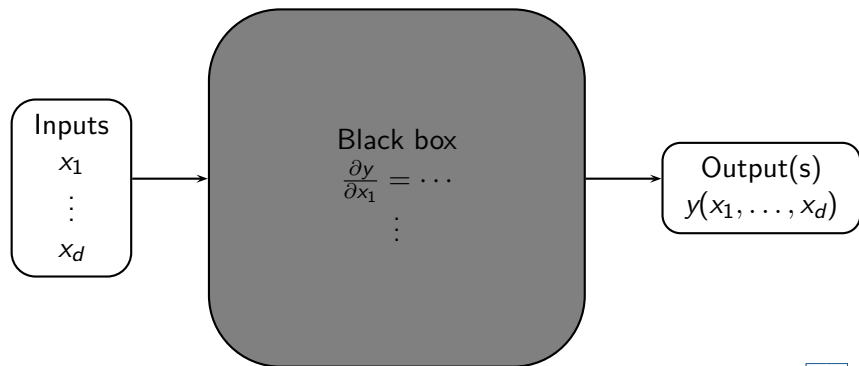
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- **WHATCHA GONNA DO?**
  - You can cope with **2 bad boys** but **not 3**
  - Standard GP approaches try to deal with all 3 simultaneously



# Computer Model

- Inputs  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_d)$
- Output  $y = y(\mathbf{x})$



# Gaussian Process (GP) Model

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  - **Correlation function**  $R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')$  is **critical**



# Correlation Function

- Two sets of inputs  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{x}'$
- Standard (Std) correlation structure has a **product form** in 1-dimensional functions

$$R^{\text{Std}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \prod_{j=1}^d R(h_j) \in [0, 1],$$

a function of the distance  $h_j = |x_j - x'_j|$  for input  $j$

- We will use the squared-exponential (Gaussian) function

$$R(h_j) = \exp(-\theta_j h_j^2),$$

where  $\theta_j \geq 0$  controls the sensitivity (**nonlinearity**) of input  $j$ .

- Following arguments apply to correlation functions other than squared exponential



- $\mu$ ,  $\sigma^2$ , and the correlation parameters  $(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_d)$  estimated by MLE or Bayes
- For the results shown later,  $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_d$  optimized numerically via the `mlegp` package (Dancik, 2013)
- All standard stuff
- (`mlegp` is adapted for the new correlation structures introduced later)



- Predict  $y(\mathbf{x}^*)$  at some new input vector  $\mathbf{x}^*$
- More standard stuff ...
- The best linear unbiased predictor or posterior mean (given the correlation parameters) is of the form

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- The predictor has the **same form for any legal correlation function**
- The predictor is a **linear combination of basis functions  $R(\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{x}^{(i)})$**





# Prediction Accuracy of $\hat{y}$

- Measured by root mean squared error (RMSE) over a new test set
- Normalized version compares with the RMSE of the trivial predictor  $\bar{y}$ , the sample mean of the training data:

$$e_{N\text{-RMSE}} = \frac{\text{RMSE of } \hat{y}}{\text{RMSE of } \bar{y}}$$

- $e_{N\text{-RMSE}} = 0$  says perfect accuracy
- $e_{N\text{-RMSE}} = 1$  says  $\hat{y}$  no better than  $\bar{y}$



# Additive Correlation Structures

- Recall

$$R^{\text{Std}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \prod_{j=1}^d \exp(-\theta_j h_j^2) \quad (\text{where } h_j = x_j - x'_j)$$

- Instead, additive correlation structure with equal weights (A-EW)

$$R^{\text{A-EW}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{j=1}^d \exp(-\theta_j h_j^2)$$

- Or additive correlation structure with unequal weights (A-UW)

$$R^{\text{A-UW}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \sum_{j=1}^d \omega_j \exp(-\theta_j h_j^2)$$

- weights  $\omega_1, \dots, \omega_d$  have to be estimated too, subject to  $\omega_j \geq 0$   
 $\sum_{j=1}^d \omega_j = 1$



# Michalewicz Test Function (Ba and Joseph, 2012)

- Michalewicz function in  $d$  dimensions:

$$y_u(\mathbf{x}) = - \sum_{j=1}^d \sin(x_j) \left[ \sin \left( \frac{jx_j^2}{\pi} \right) \right]^{20} \quad \text{where } x_j \in [0, \pi].$$

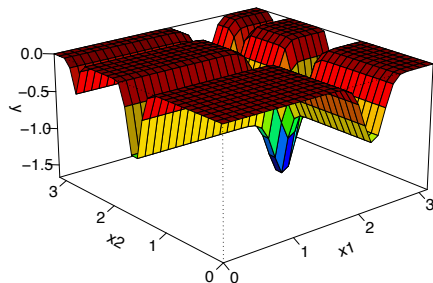
- Has  $d!$  local minima (**highly nonlinear**)
- Weighted form:

$$y_w(\mathbf{x}) = - \sum_{j=1}^d j \sin(x_j) \left[ \sin \left( \frac{jx_j^2}{\pi} \right) \right]^{20} \quad \text{where } x_j \in [0, \pi].$$

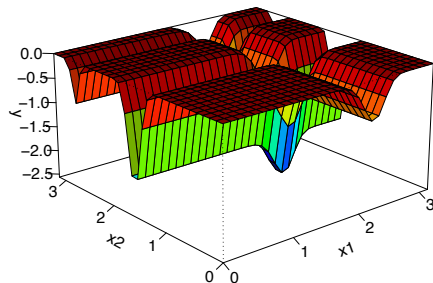
- Complexity and more importance of  $x_j$  increases with  $j$



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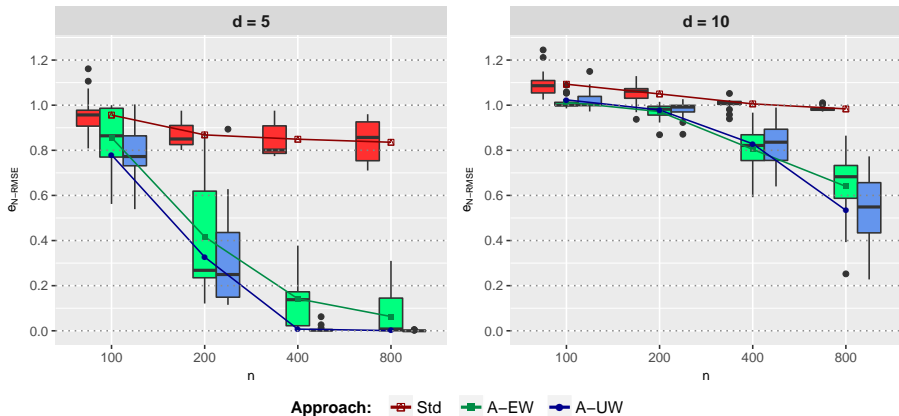


(a) Unweighted



(b) Weighted

# Weighted Michalewicz Function ( $e_{N\text{-RMSE}}$ for 20 Repeat Training Experiments)



# Franke's Function (Franke, 1979; Haaland and Qian, 2011)

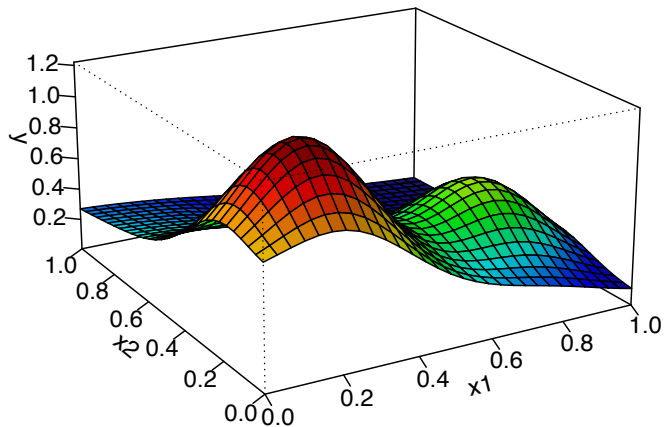
- Most functions are **not perfectly additive**
- Franke's function in 2 dimensions:

$$\begin{aligned}y_F(x_1, x_2) = & 0.75 \exp \left[ -\frac{(9x_1 - 2)^2}{4} - \frac{(9x_2 - 2)^2}{4} \right] \\ & + 0.75 \exp \left[ -\frac{(9x_1 + 1)^2}{49} - \frac{9x_2 + 1}{10} \right] \\ & + 0.5 \exp \left[ -\frac{(9x_1 - 7)^2}{4} - \frac{(9x_2 - 3)^2}{4} \right] \\ & - 0.2 \exp[-(9x_1 - 4)^2 - (9x_2 - 7)^2] \\ & \text{where } x_1, x_2 \in [0, 1].\end{aligned}$$

- Nonlinear with interaction



# Franke's Function in 2 Dimensions



# New Franke's Function in 8 Dimensions

- $y_{F8}(\mathbf{x}) = y_F(x_1, x_2) + y_F(x_3, x_4) + y_F(x_5, x_6) + y_F(x_7, x_8)$
- Nonlinear with moderate interaction ( $x_1$  with  $x_2$ ,  $x_3$  with  $x_4$ , etc.)

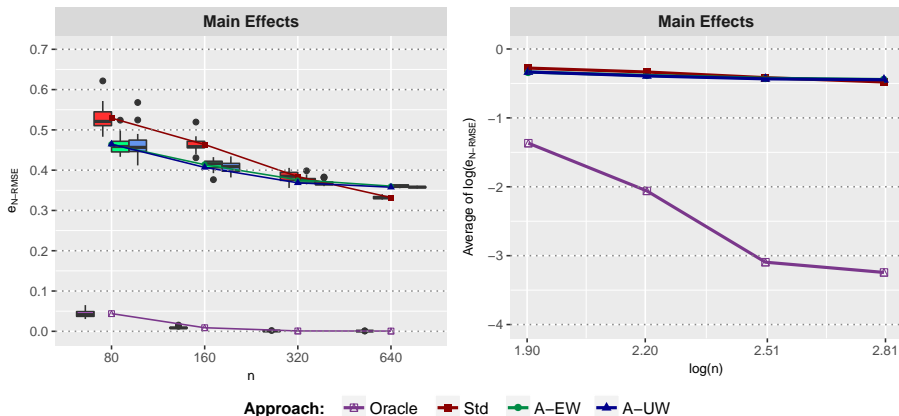




- **Just for a best possible baseline**; cannot be done in practice
- Knows the structure of  $y_{F8}(\mathbf{x})$  and **fits 4 separate GPs**
  - Training data for  $x_1, x_2, y_F(x_1, x_2)$  gives  $\hat{y}_{F,12}(x_1, x_2)$
  - ...
  - Training data for  $x_7, x_8, y_F(x_7, x_8)$  gives  $\hat{y}_{F,78}(x_7, x_8)$
- $\hat{y}_{F8}^{(\text{Oracle})}(\mathbf{x}^*) = \hat{y}_{F,12}(x_1^*, x_2^*) + \dots + \hat{y}_{F,78}(x_7^*, x_8^*)$



# Franke's Function in 8 Dimensions: Additive (Main Effects) Model



Normalized RMSE versus  $n$  and log-log plot to show rate of convergence



# Composite Correlation Structures (Additive and All 2-Input Interactions)

- Composite, equal weights

$$R^{\text{C-EW}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{d} \sum_{j=1}^d e^{-\theta_j h_j^2} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{d(d-1)} \sum_{j=1}^d \sum_{j'=j+1}^d e^{-\theta_j h_j^2} e^{-\theta_{j'} h_{j'}^2}$$

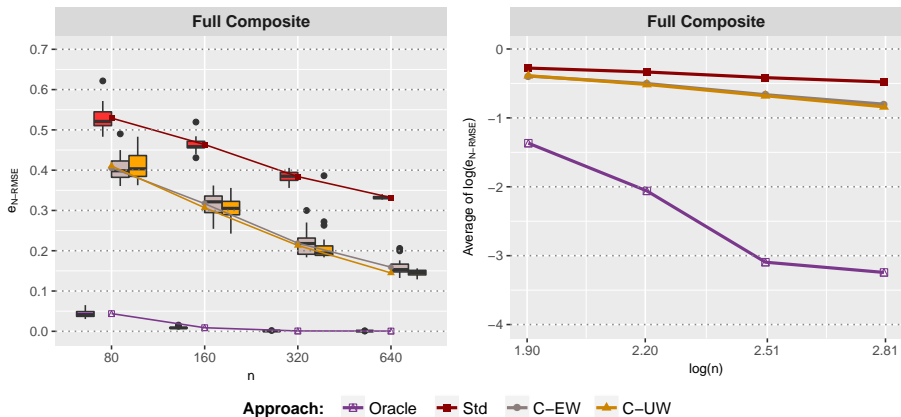
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( $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  estimated subject to  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 1$ )



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# Composite **Select** Correlation Structures (Additive and **Some** 2-Input Interactions)

- Composite with select 2-input interactions, equal weights

$$R^{\text{CS-EW}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{d} \sum_{j=1}^d e^{-\theta_j h_j^2} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{|B|} \sum_{\{j,j'\} \in B} e^{-\theta_j h_j^2} e^{-\theta_{j'} h_{j'}^2}$$

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# Choosing the 2-Input Interactions: FANOVA (Schonlau and Welch, 2006)

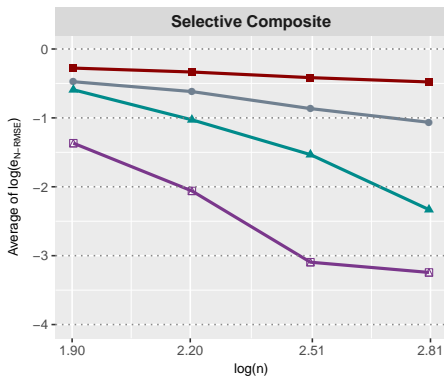
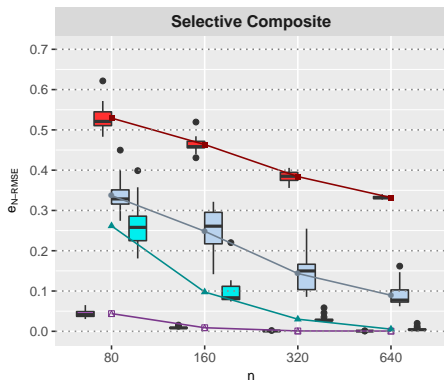
- Choose the interaction effects for the 8-dimensional Franke's function **data adaptively**
- Functional ANOVA (FANOVA) based on a training set with  $n = 640$
- Percent contributions to total variance of the function

Effect	%	Effect	%	Effect	%
$x_1$	8.1	$x_2$	15.8	$x_1 \times x_2$	2.4
$x_3$	7.5	$x_4$	13.5	$x_3 \times x_4$	2.3
$x_5$	7.9	$x_6$	15.1	$x_5 \times x_6$	2.4
$x_7$	7.4	$x_8$	14.5	$x_7 \times x_8$	2.3

- These effects account for 99.2% of the variation (others negligible)
- $B = \{\{1, 2\}, \{3, 4\}, \{5, 6\}, \{7, 8\}\}$ .



# Franke's Function: Selective Composite (Main Effects and Select 2-Input Interaction Effects)



Approach: Oracle Std CS-EW CS-UW

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# Bad Boys: The Math

- **High dimensionality**:  $d \gg 1$  inputs are active, say  $x_1, \dots, x_d$
- **Nonlinearity**: their  $\theta_j$  are large
- What does the **product correlation function** do?

$$\begin{aligned} R^{\text{Std}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') &= \prod_{j=1}^d R(h_j) = \prod_{j=1}^d e^{-\theta_j h_j^2} = \prod_{j=1}^d \left(1 - \theta_j h_j^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\theta_j h_j^2)^2 + \dots\right) \\ &= 1 - \theta_1 h_1^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\theta_1 h_1^2)^2 + \text{similar terms for } x_2, \text{ etc.} \\ &\quad + \theta_1 h_1^2 \theta_2 h_2^2 + \text{similar terms for } x_3, x_4, \text{ etc.} \\ &\quad + \dots \pm \prod_{j=1}^d \theta_j h_j^2 \end{aligned}$$

- The higher-order products will not disappear if the  $\theta_j \gg 0$  unless all  $h_j \simeq 0$  (**huge sample size**)





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- Work by Alexi Rodríguez to extend these ideas to real applications is also taking account of the **science** (Dennis Lin's paper in JQT)





**THANK YOU!** 😊



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