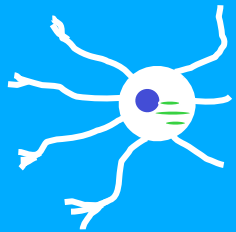
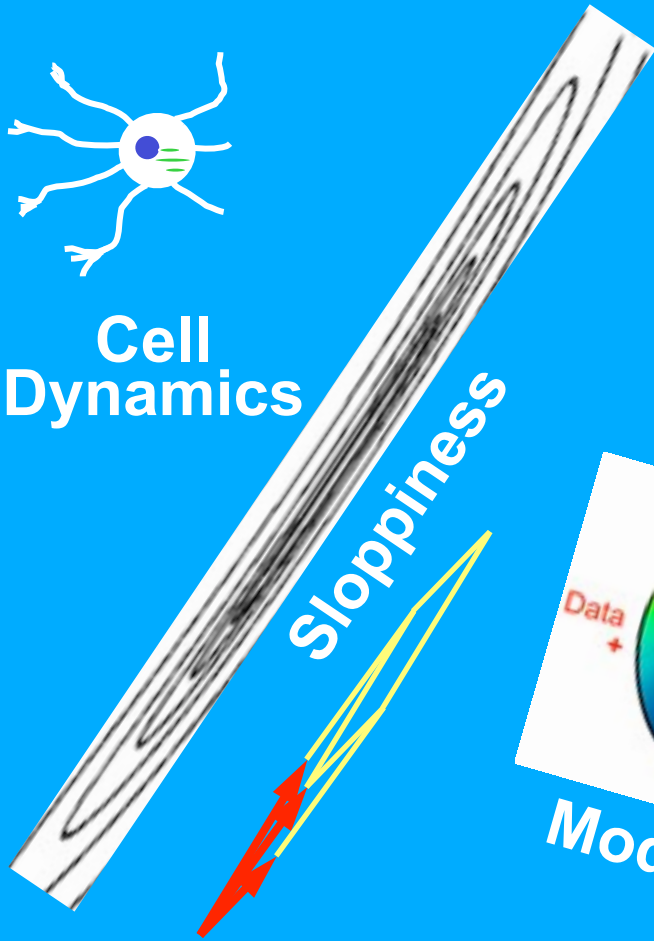


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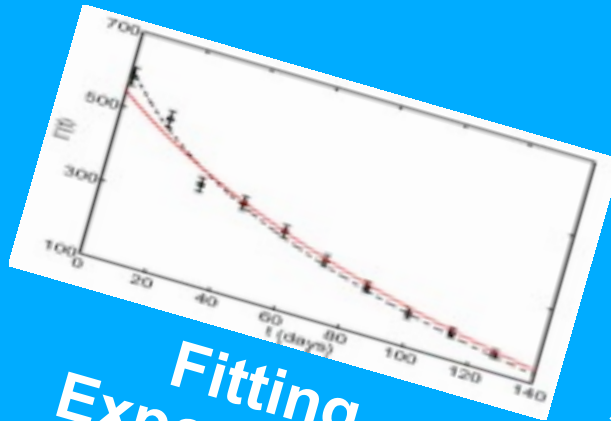
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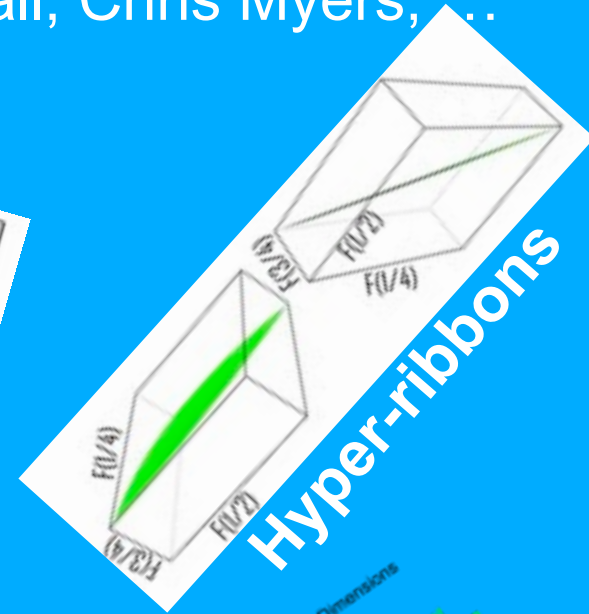
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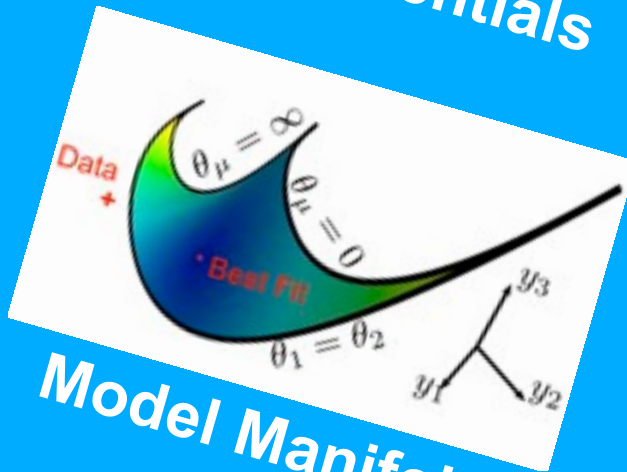
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Fitting Exponentials



Hyper-ribbons



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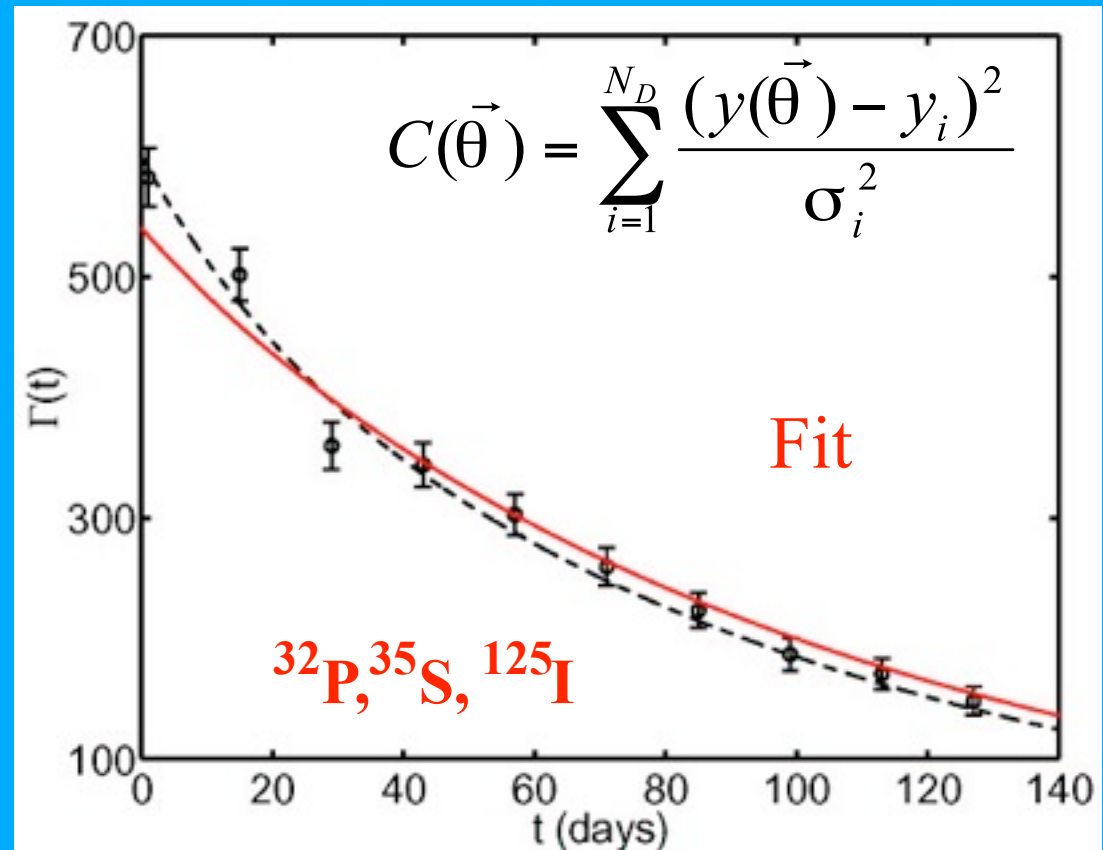


Coarse-Grained Models

Fitting Decaying Exponentials

Classic ill-posed
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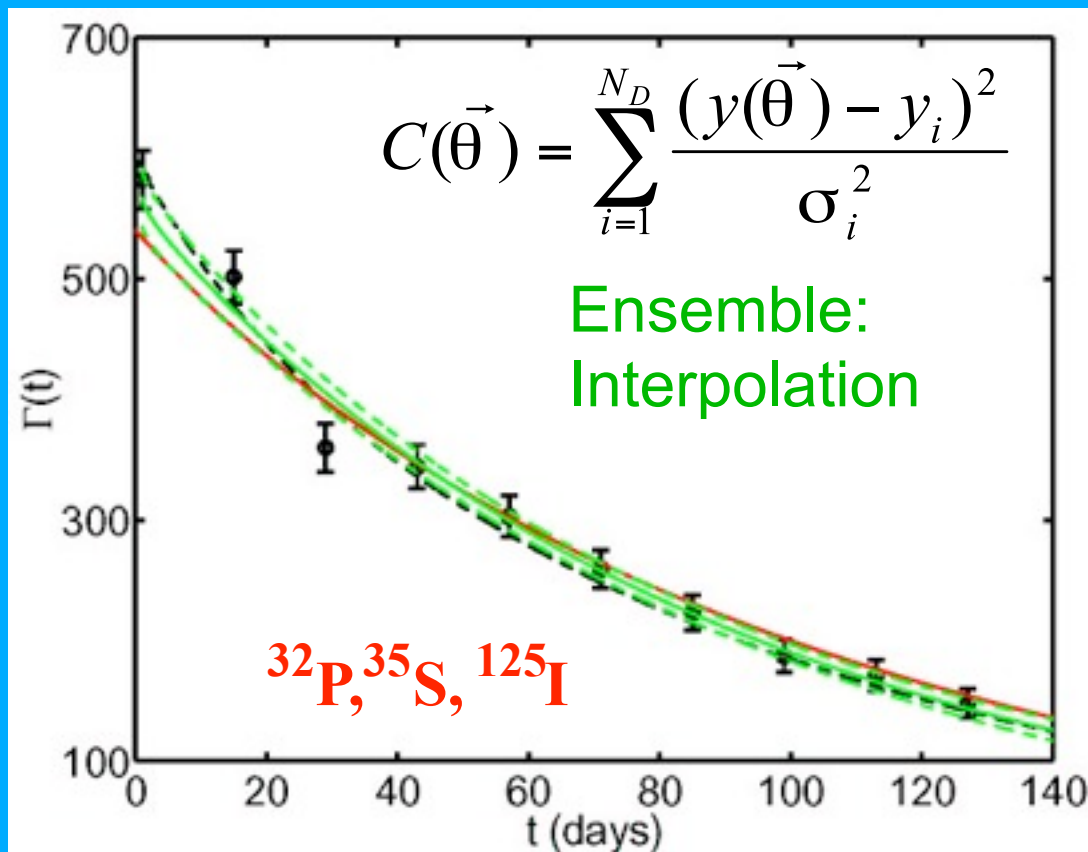
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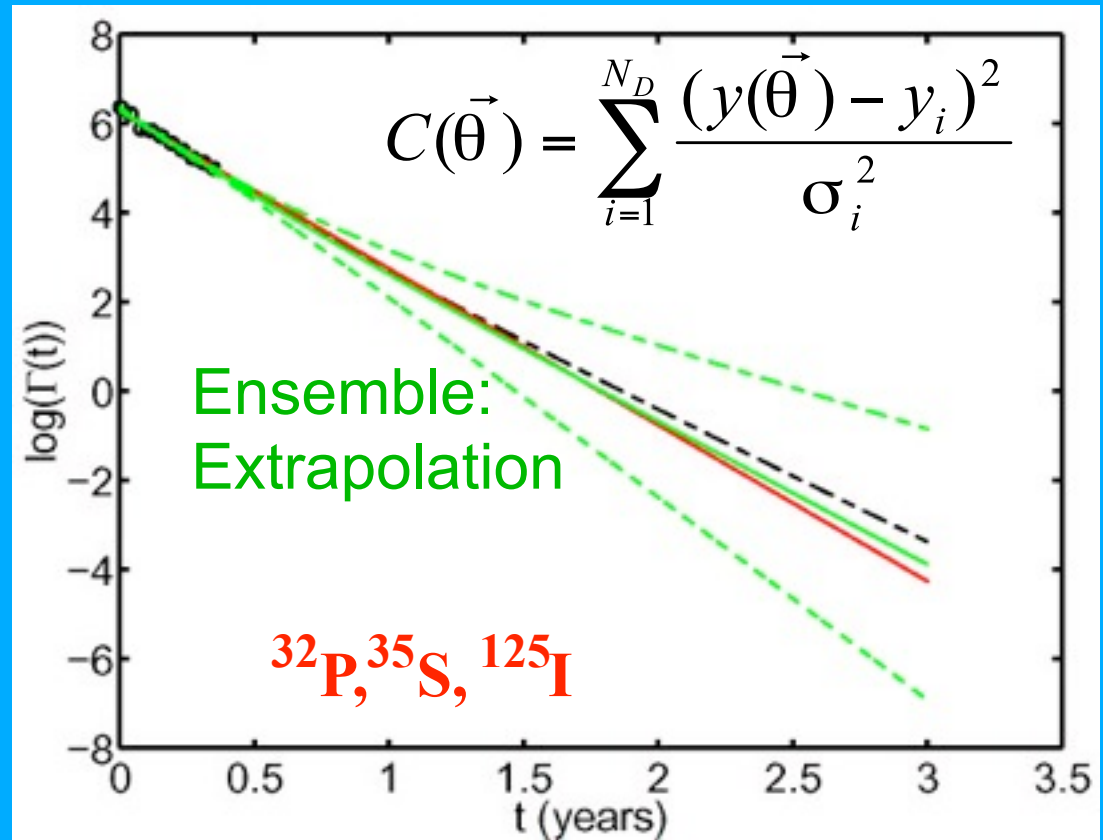
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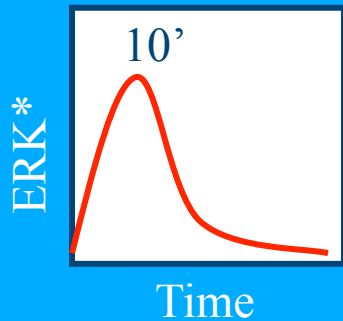
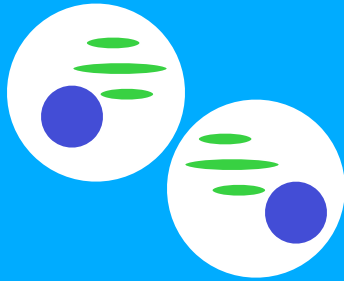


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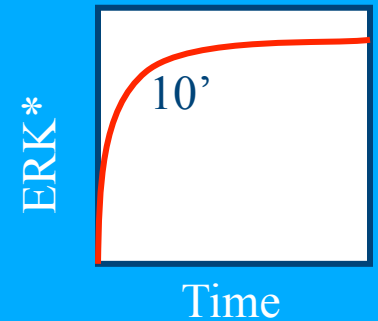
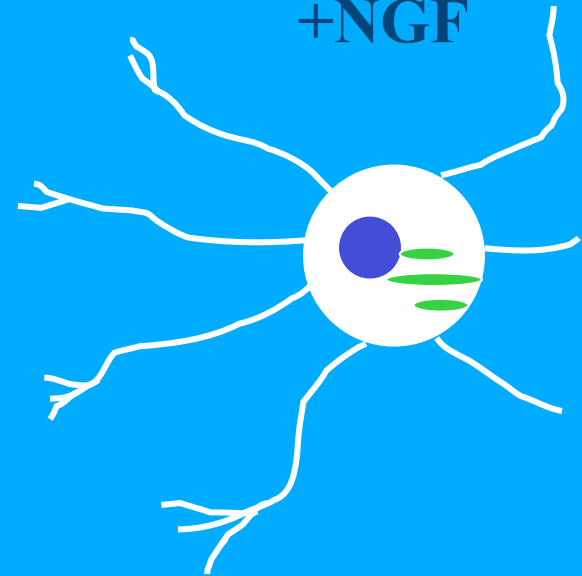
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PC12 Differentiation

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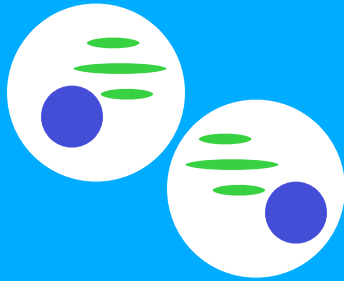
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EGFR

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Sos

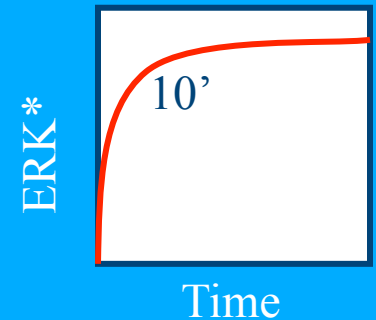
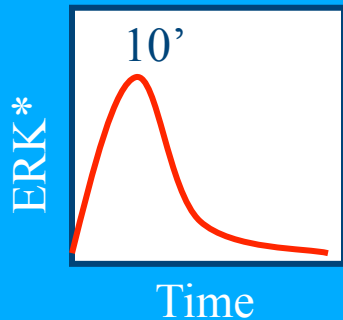
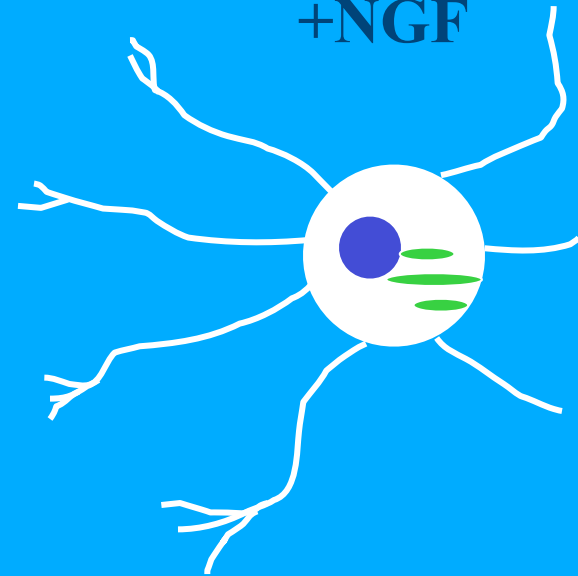
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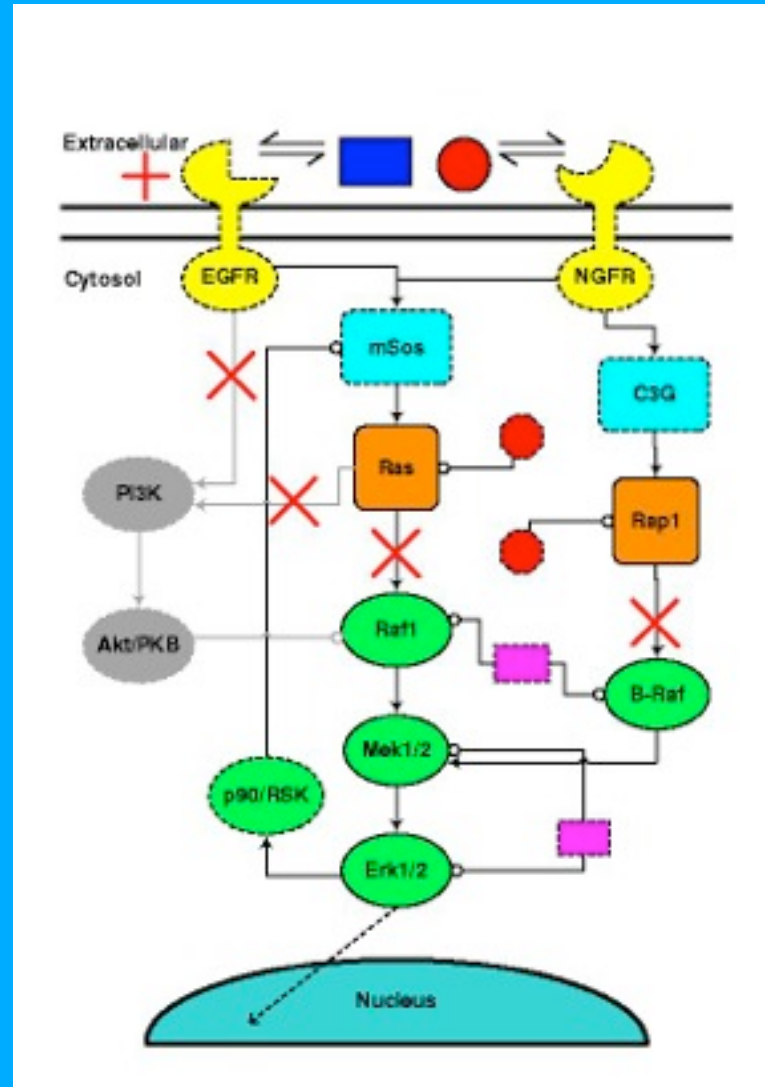
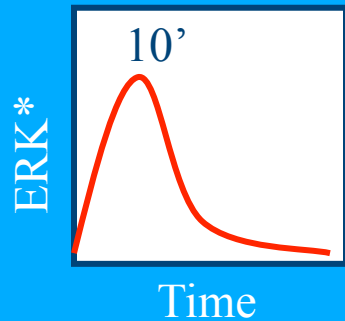
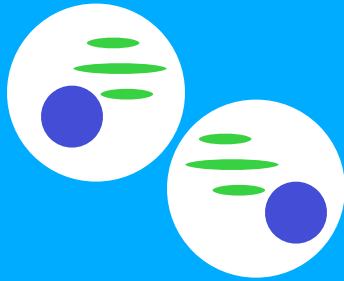
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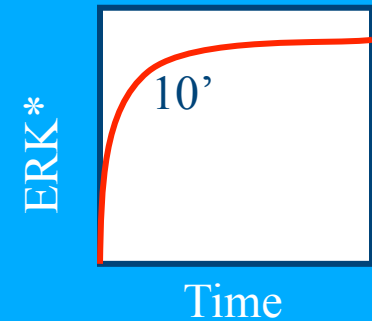
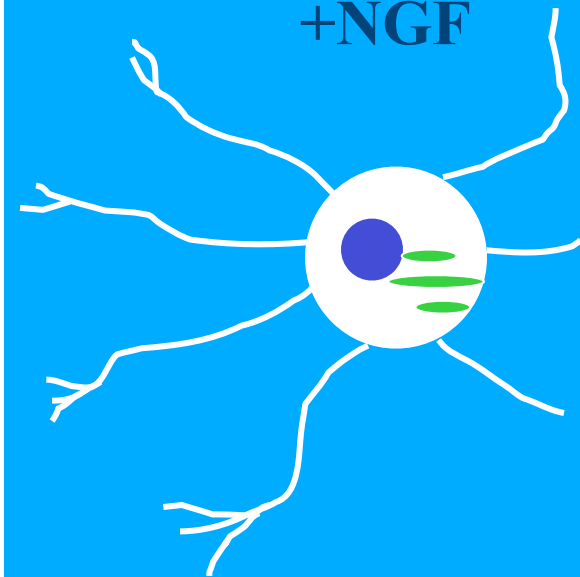
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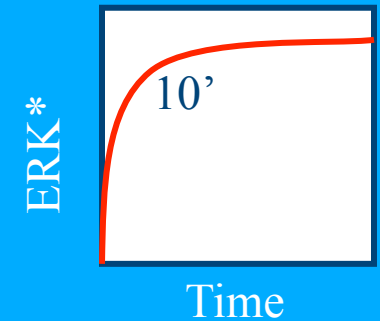
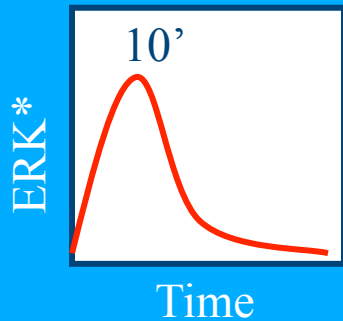
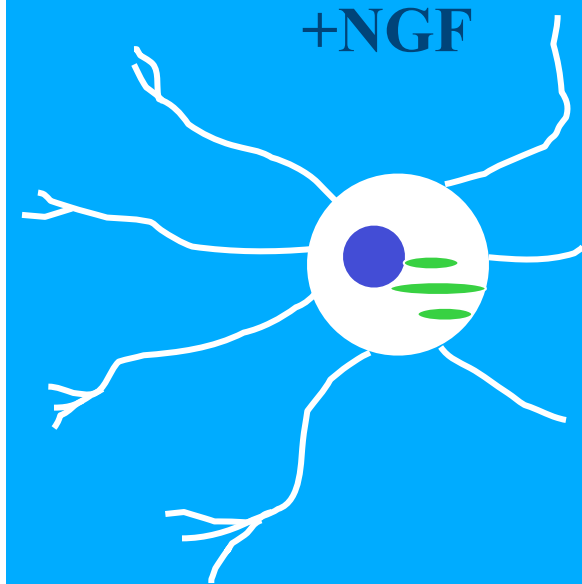
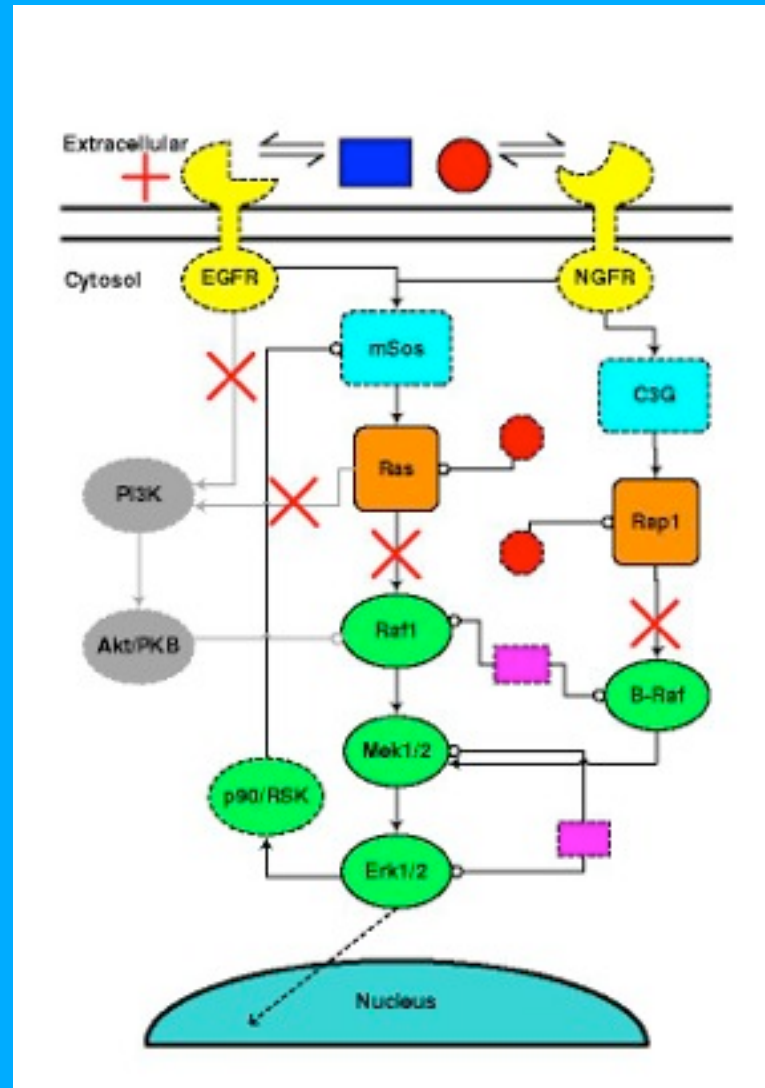


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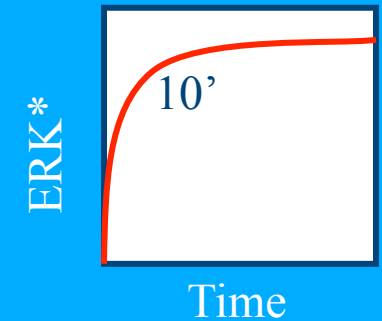
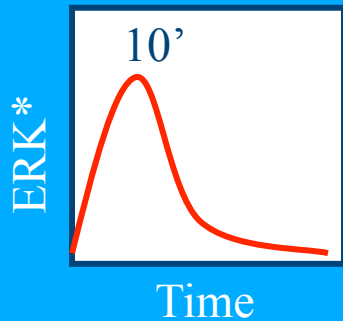
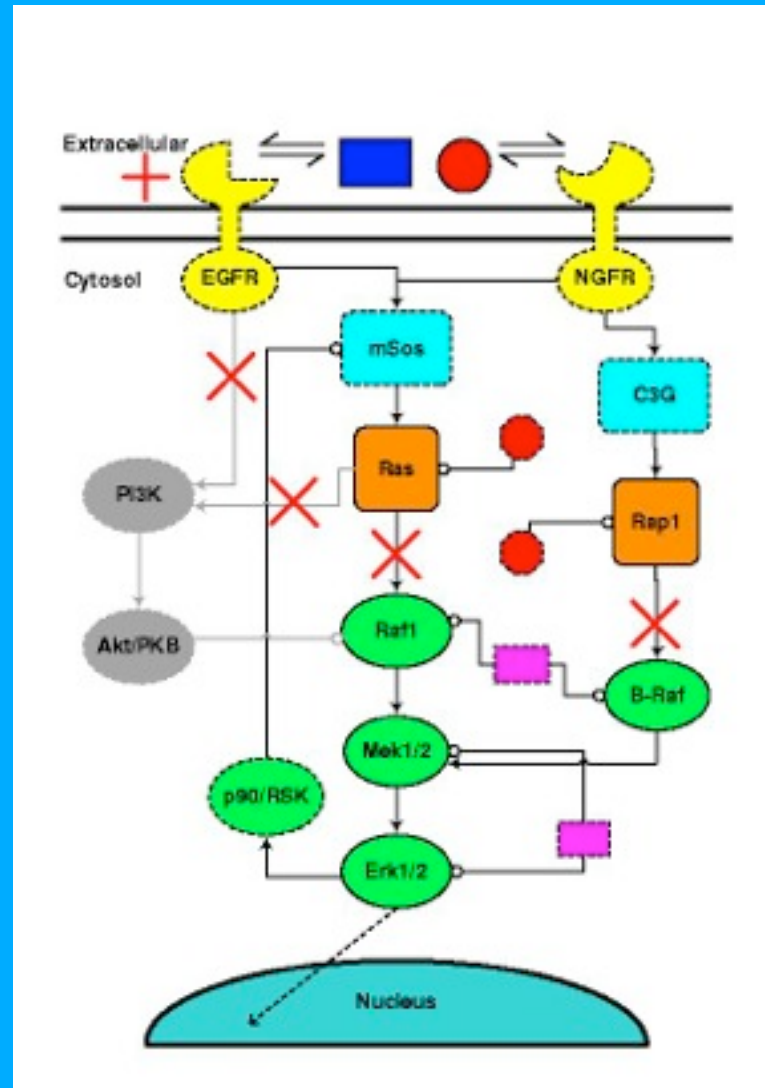
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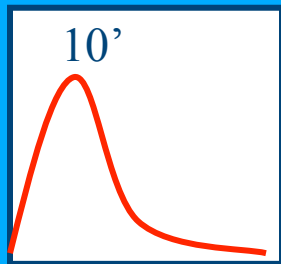
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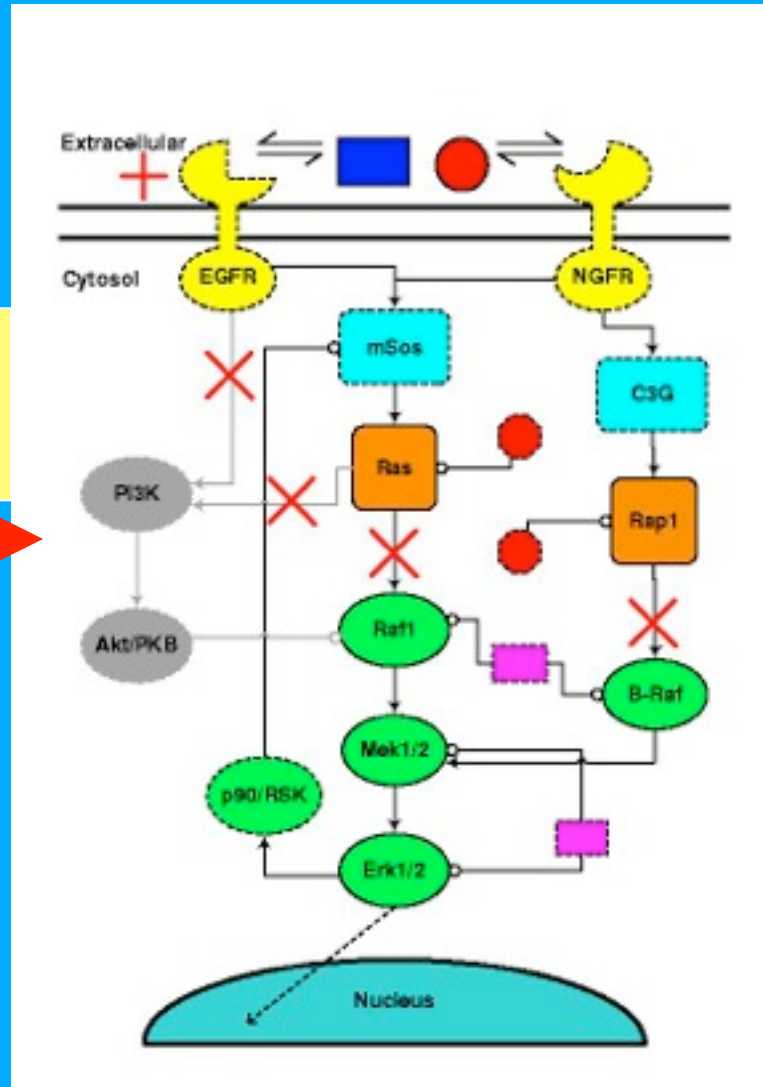
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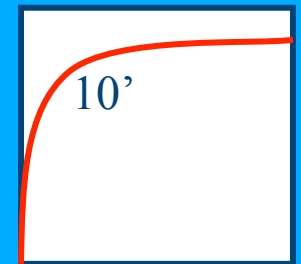
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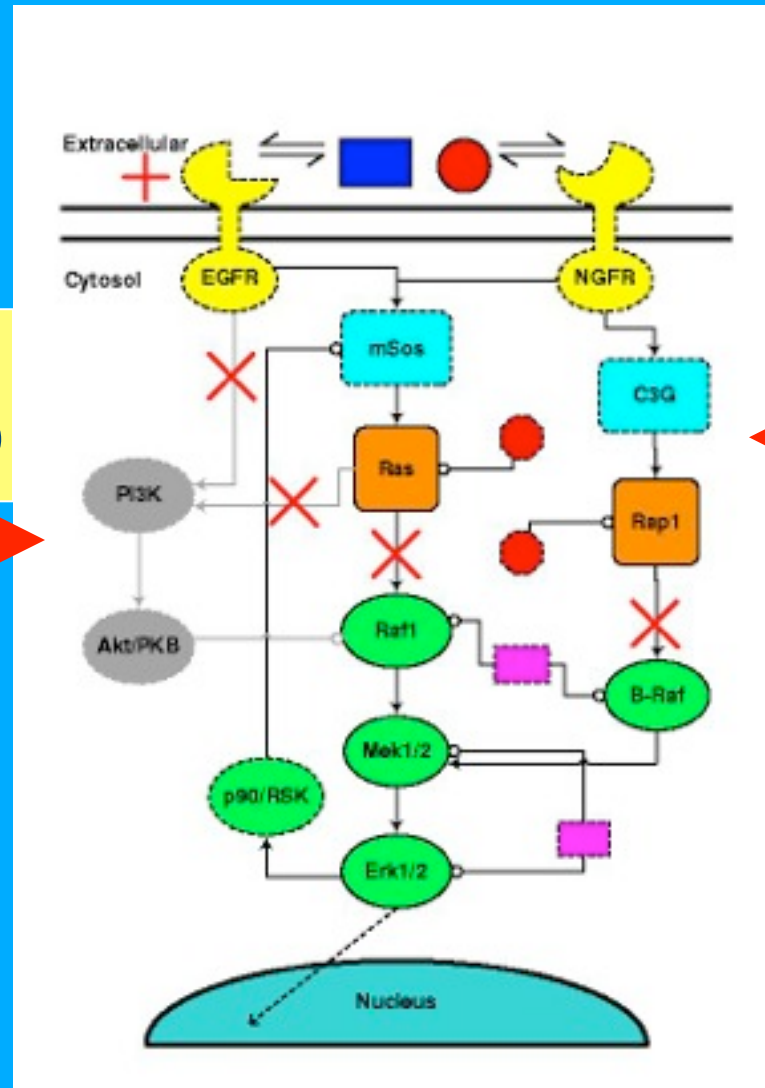
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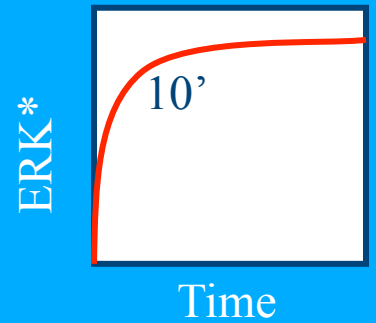
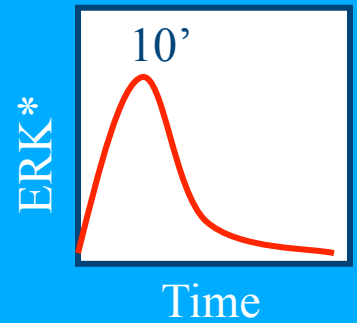
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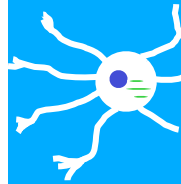
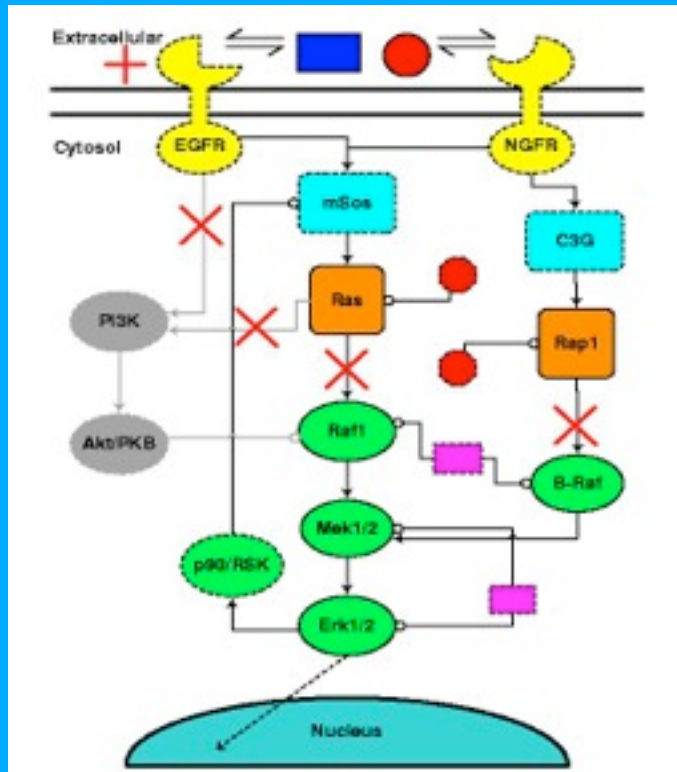
Pumps up signal (Mek)

Tunes down signal (Raf-1)



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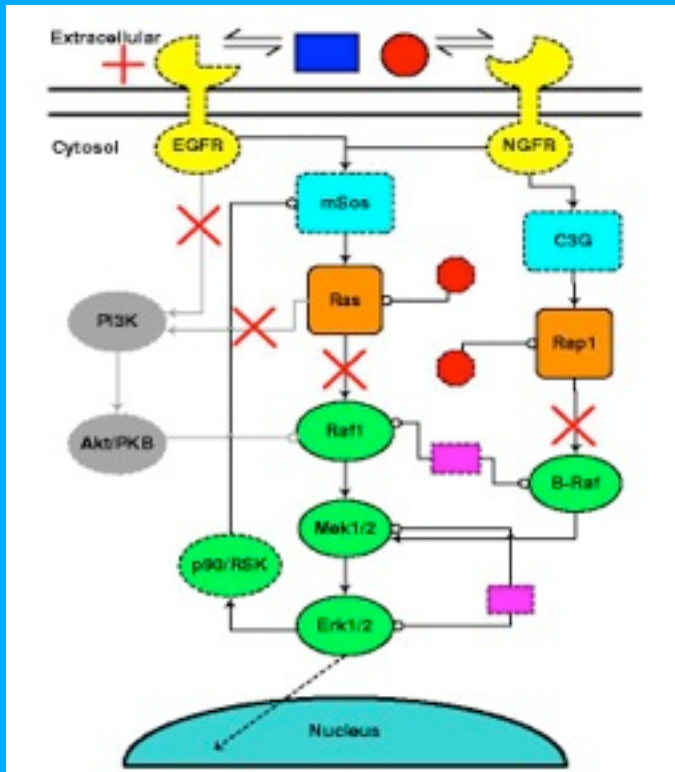
Systems Biology: Cell Protein Reactions



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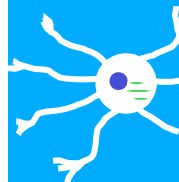
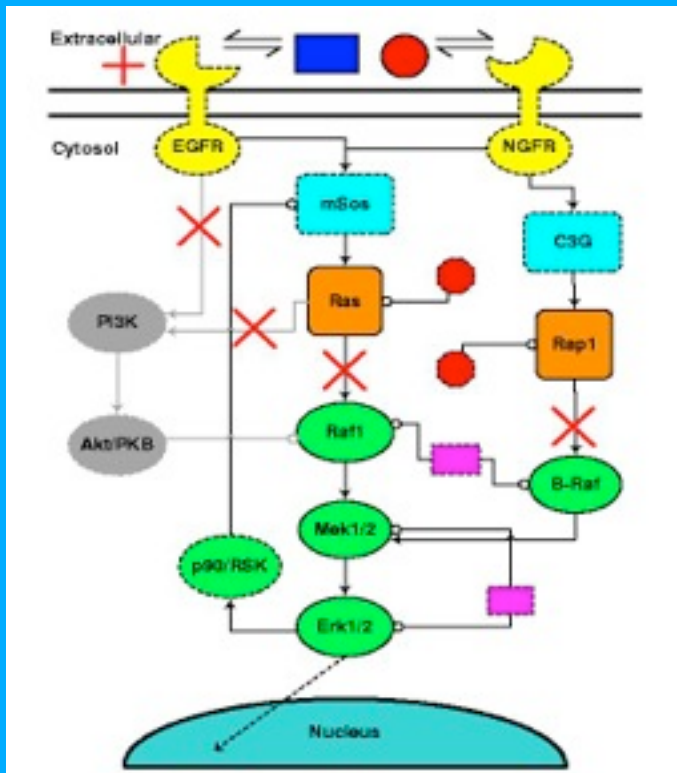
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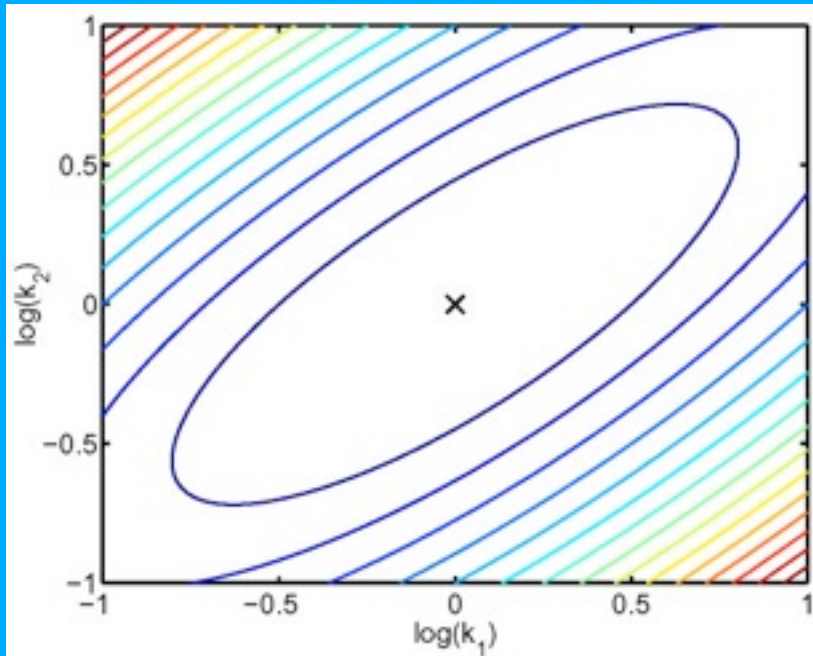
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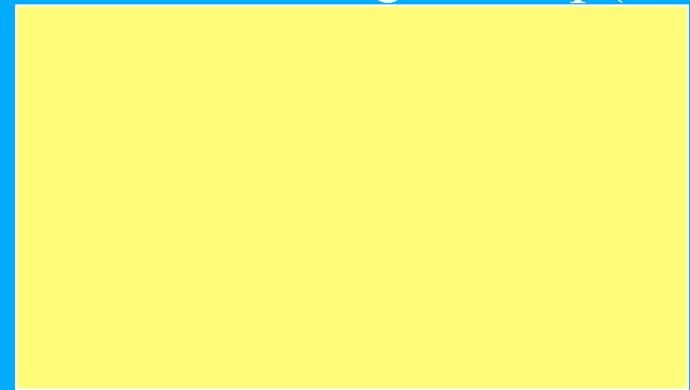
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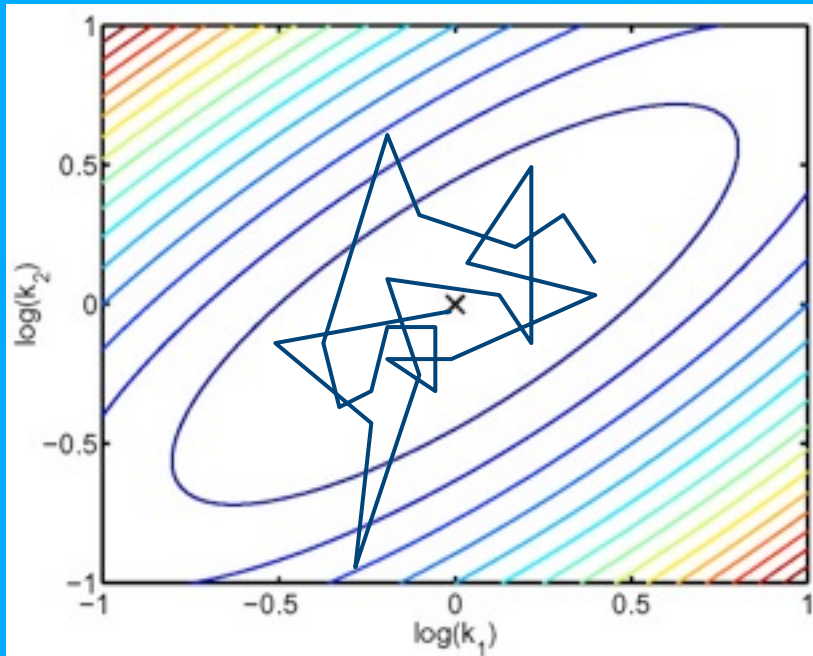
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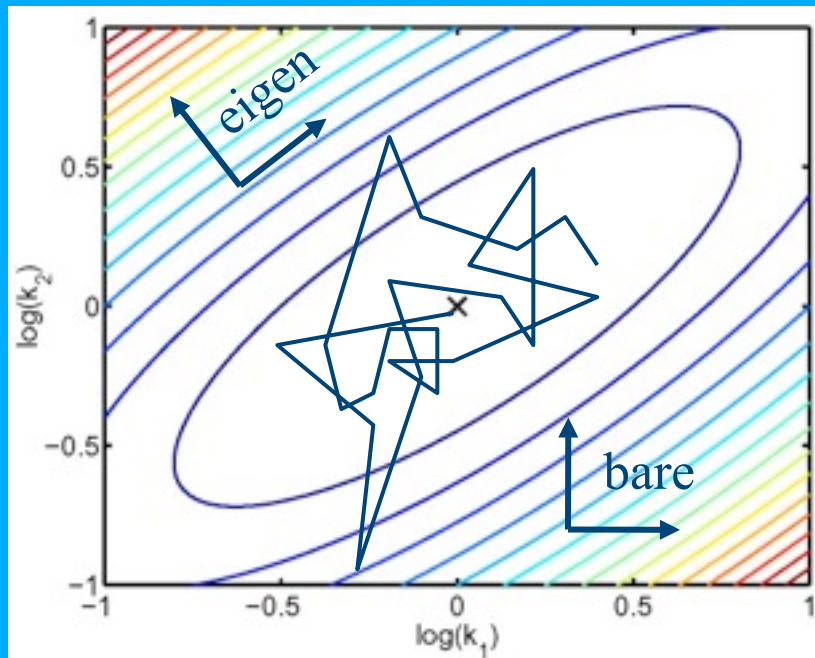
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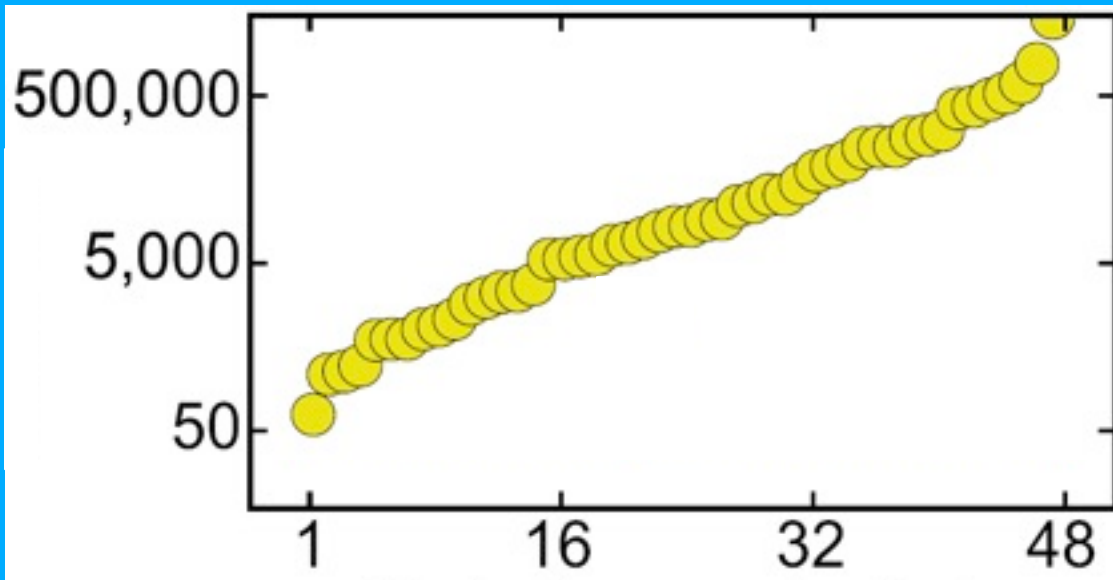
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Relative parameter fluctuation



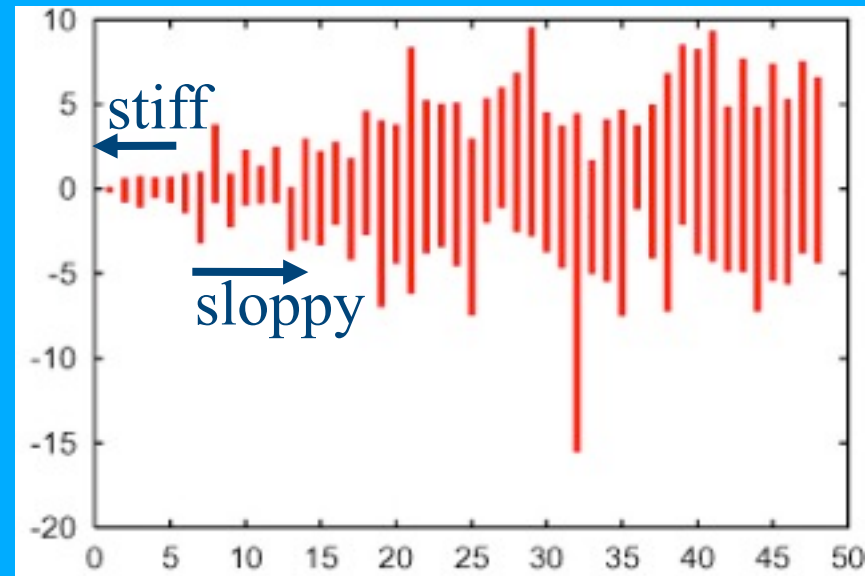
Parameter (sorted)

Parameters
Fluctuate
over
Enormous
Range

- All parameters vary by minimum factor of 50, some by a million
- Not robust: four or five “stiff” linear combinations of parameters; 44 sloppy

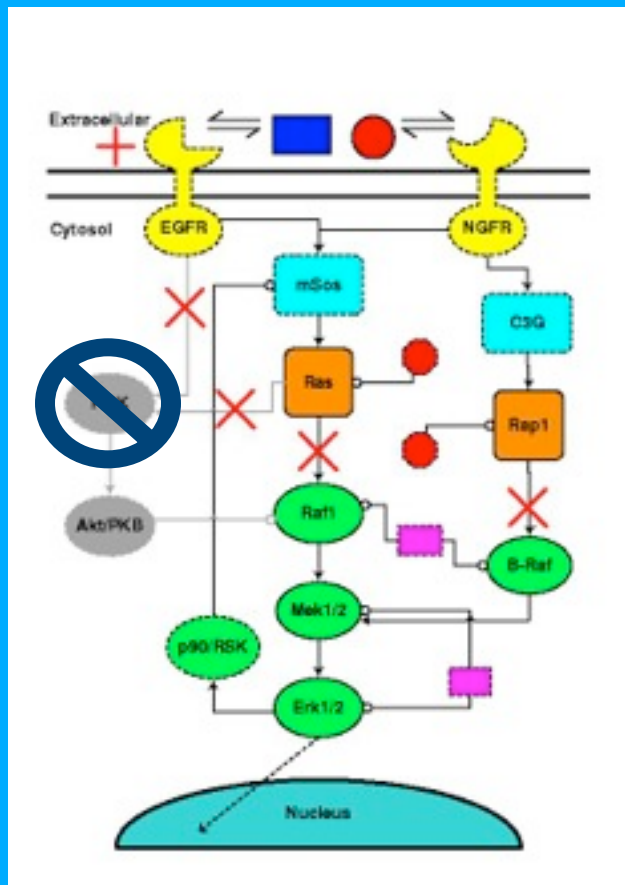
Are predictions possible?

\log_e eigenparameter fluctuation



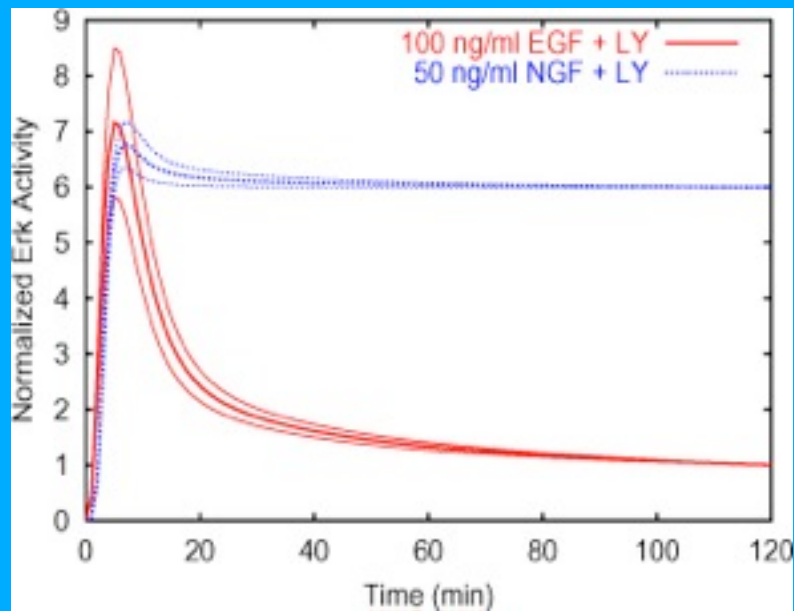
sorted eigenparameter number

Predictions are Possible

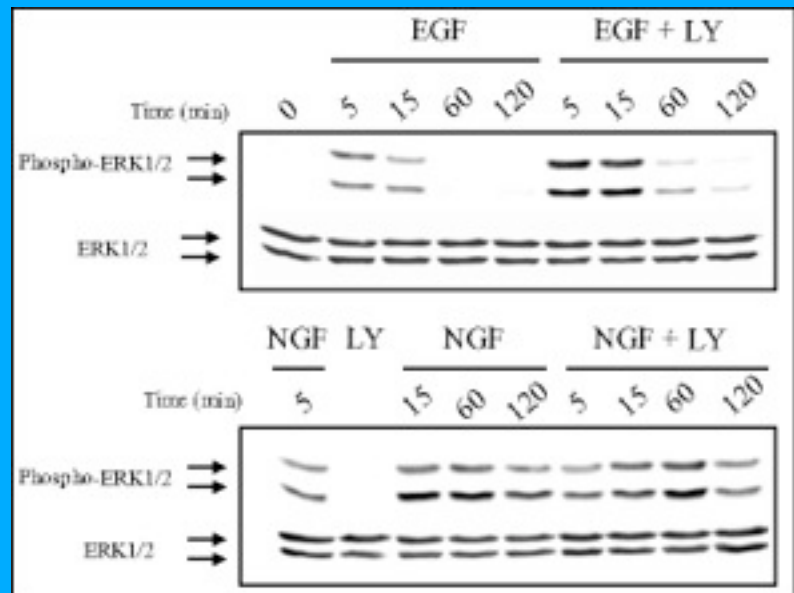


Model predicts that the left branch isn't important

Model Prediction



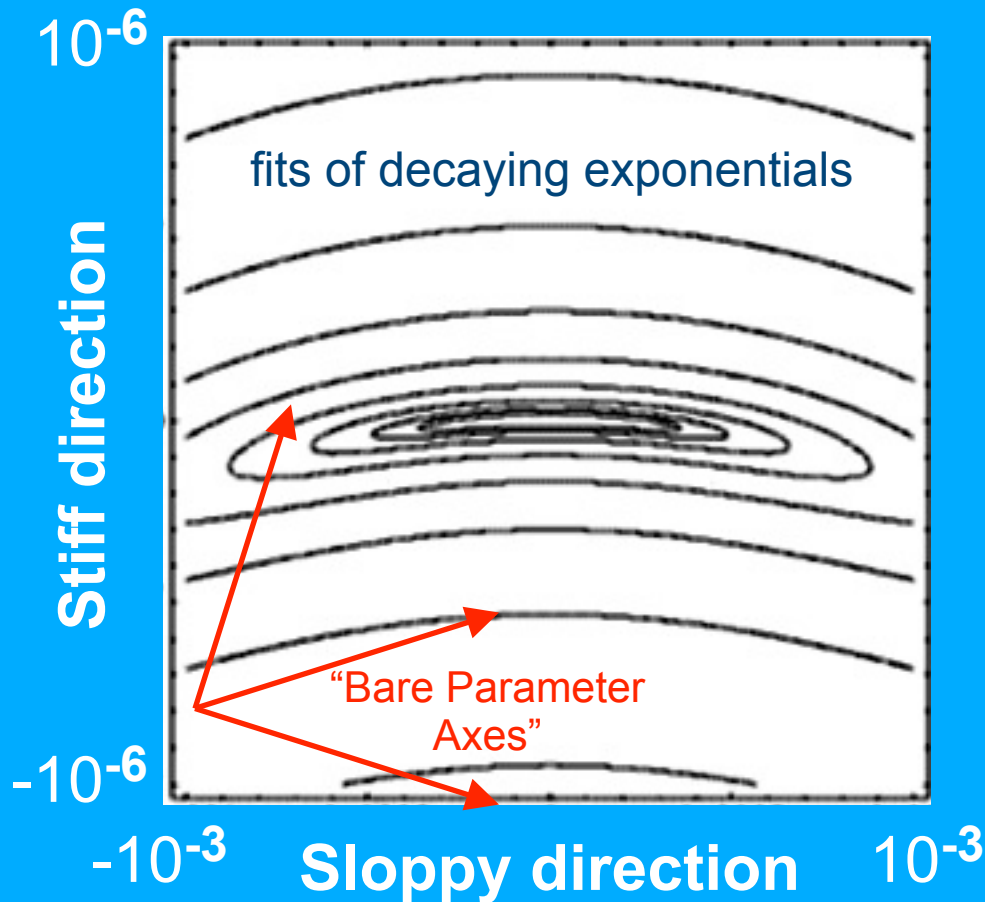
Brown's Experiment



Parameters fluctuate orders of magnitude, but still predictive!

Parameter Indeterminacy and Sloppiness

Cost Contours



~5 stiff, ~43 sloppy directions

Note: Horizontal scale
shrunk by 1000 times
Aspect ratio = Human hair

**48 parameter fits are
sloppy: Many parameter
sets give almost equally
good fits**

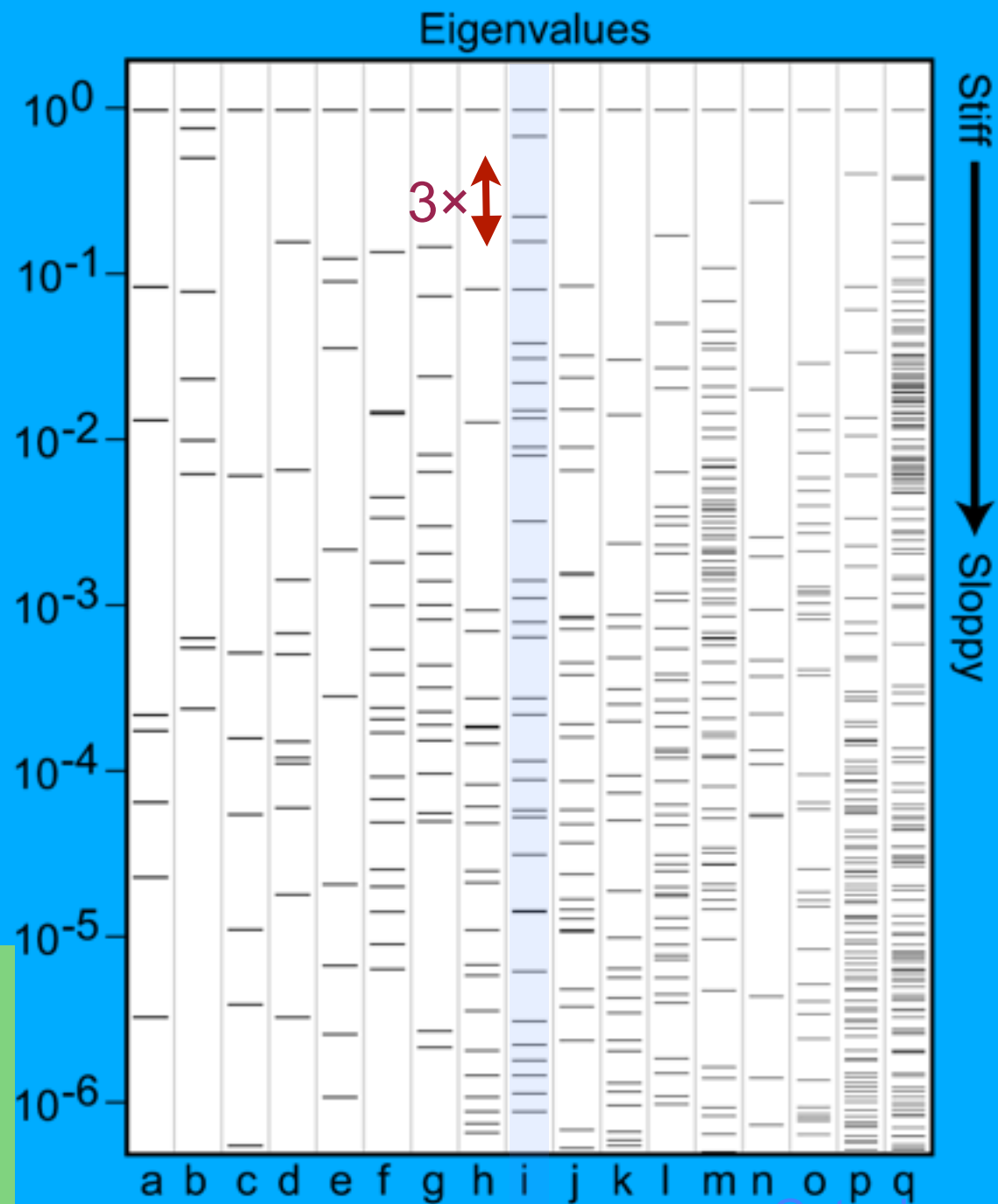
**A few 'stiff' constrained
directions allow model to
remain predictive**

Systems Biology

Seventeen models

- (a) eukaryotic cell cycle
- (b) Xenopus egg cell cycle
- (c) eukaryotic mitosis
- (d) generic circadian rhythm
- (e) nicotinic acetylcholine intra-receptor dynamics
- (f) generic kinase cascade
- (g) Xenopus Wnt signaling
- (h) Drosophila circadian rhythm
- (i) rat growth-factor signaling
- (j) Drosophila segment polarity
- (k) Drosophila circadian rhythm
- (l) Arabidopsis circadian rhythm
- (m) in silico regulatory network
- (n) human purine metabolism
- (o) Escherichia coli carbon metabolism
- (p) budding yeast cell cycle
- (q) rat growth-factor signaling

Enormous Ranges of
Eigenvalues
(3^{48} is a big number)
Sloppy Range $\sim \sqrt{\lambda}$



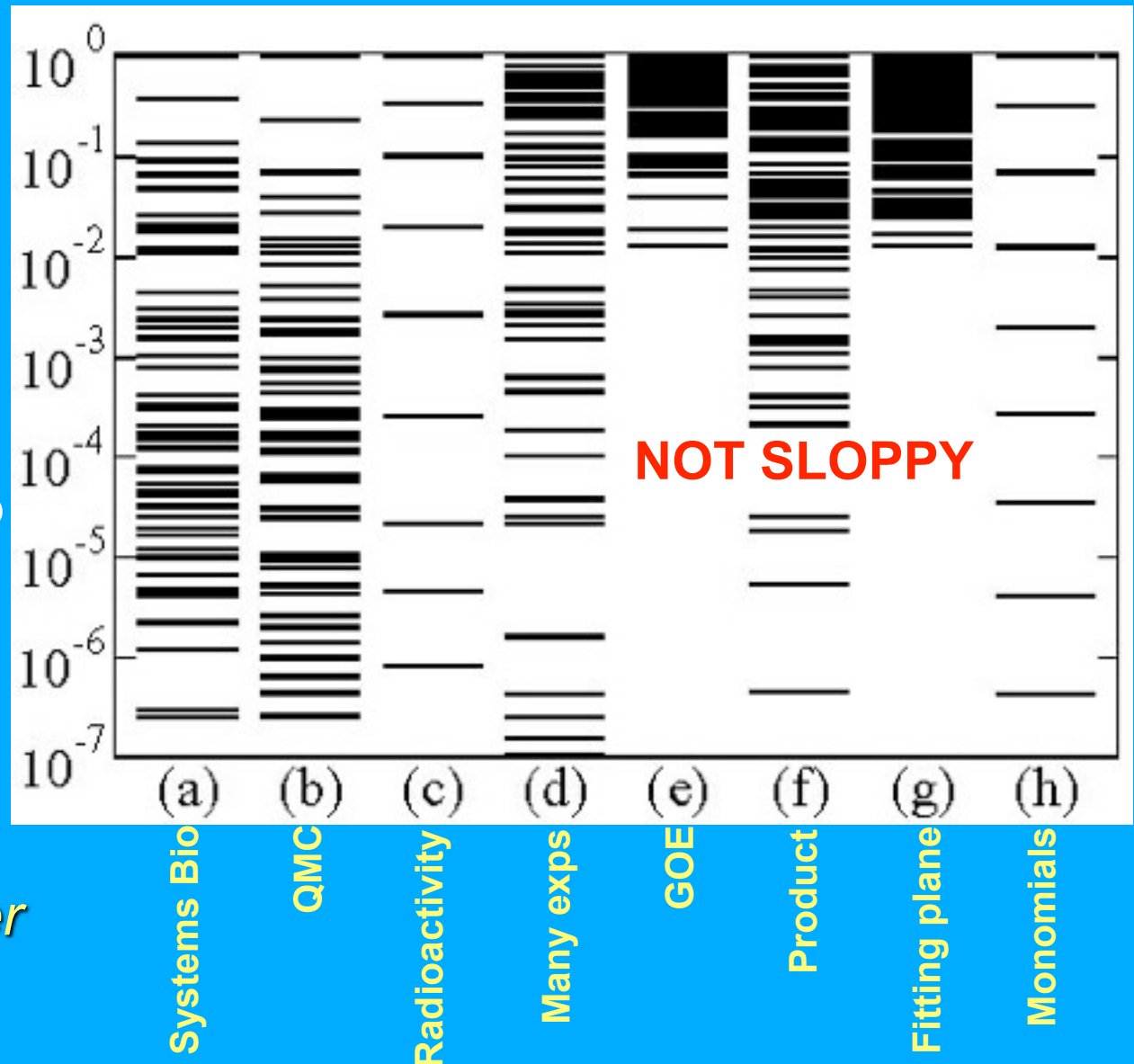
Gutenkunst

Sloppy Universality Outside Bio

Sloppy Systems

- Enormous range of eigenvalues
- Roughly equal density in log
- Observed in broad range of systems

Eigenvalue



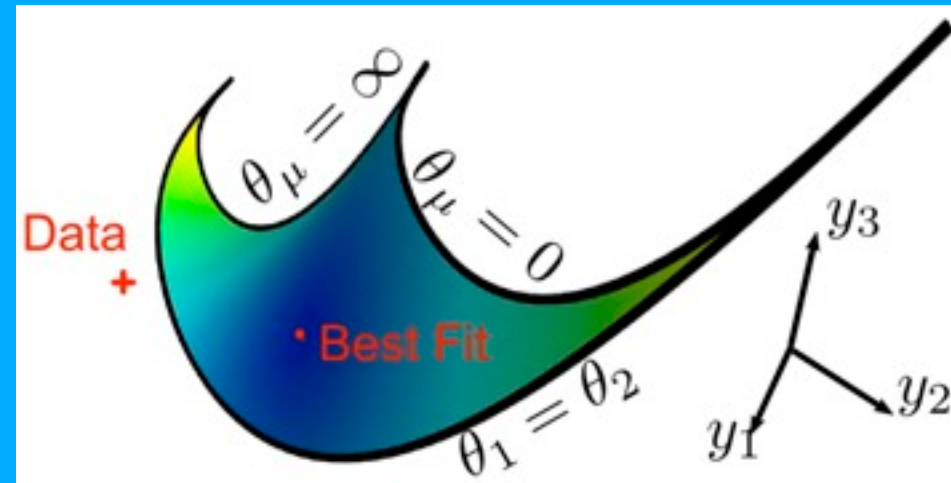
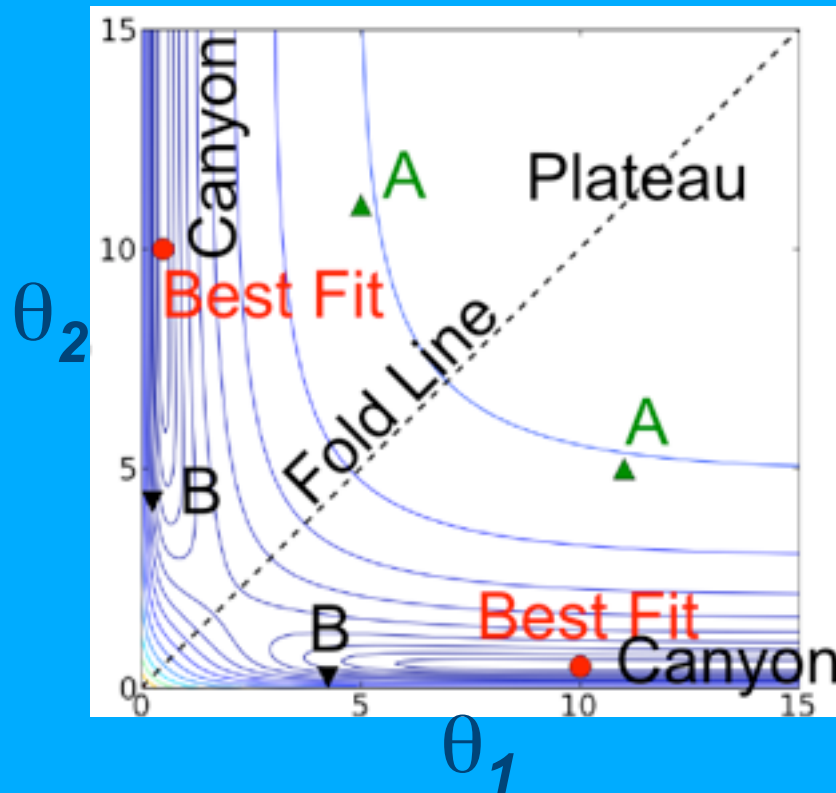
From accelerator design to insect flight, multiparameter fits are sloppy

The Model Manifold

Two exponentials θ_1, θ_2
fit to three data points y_1, y_2, y_3
$$y_n = \exp(-\theta_1 t_n) + \exp(-\theta_2 t_n)$$

Parameter space

Stiff and sloppy directions
Canyons, Plateaus

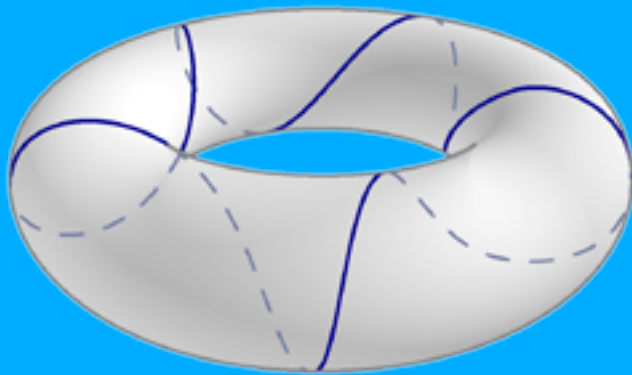


Data space

Manifold of model predictions
Parameters as coordinates
Model boundaries $\theta_n = \pm\infty, \theta_m$
cause Plateaus
Metric $g_{\mu\nu}$ from distance to data

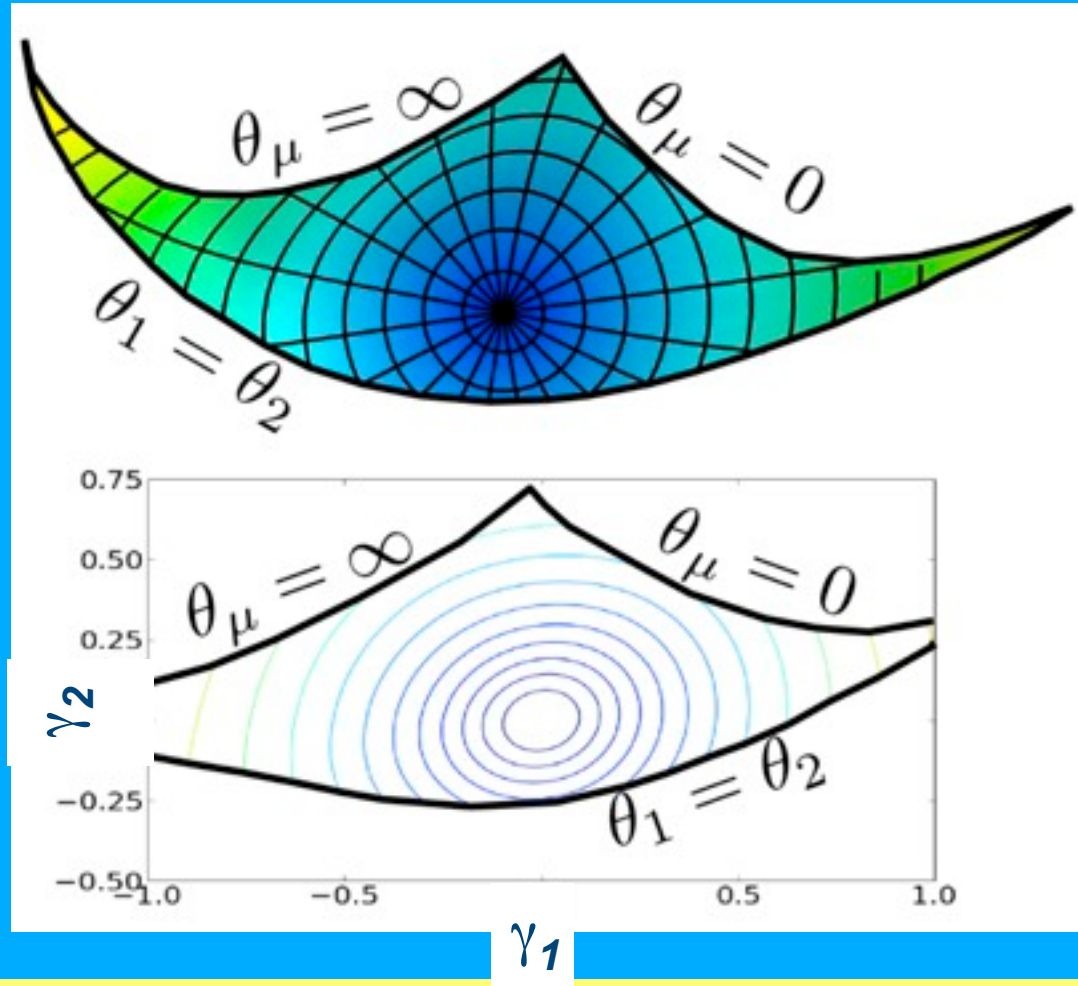
Geodesics

“Straight line” in curved space
Shortest path between points



Easy to find cost minimum using polar geodesic coordinates

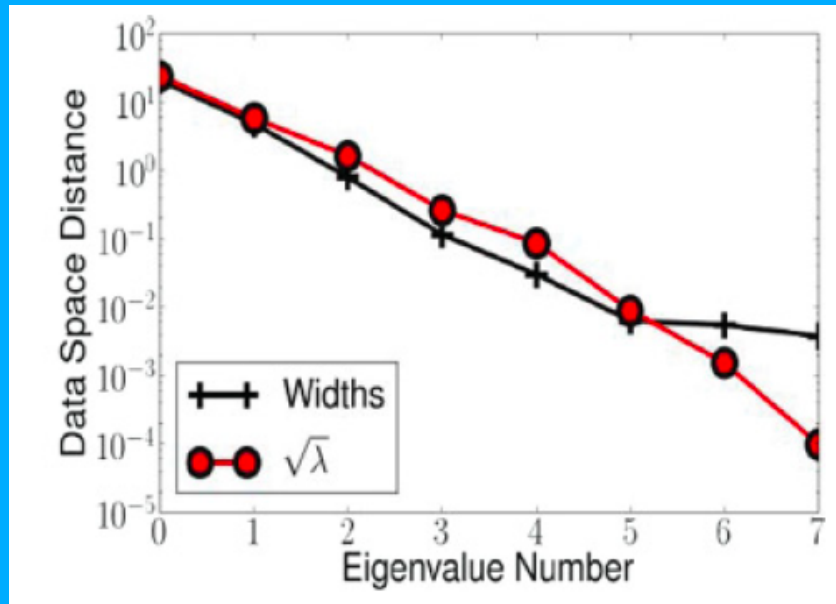
γ_1, γ_2



Cost contours in geodesic coordinates
nearly concentric circles!
Use this for algorithms...

The Model Manifold is a *Hyper-Ribbon*

- Hyper-ribbon: object that is longer than wide, wider than thick, thicker than ...
- Thick directions traversed by stiff eigenparameters, thin as sloppy directions varied.



Widths along geodesics track eigenvalues almost perfectly!

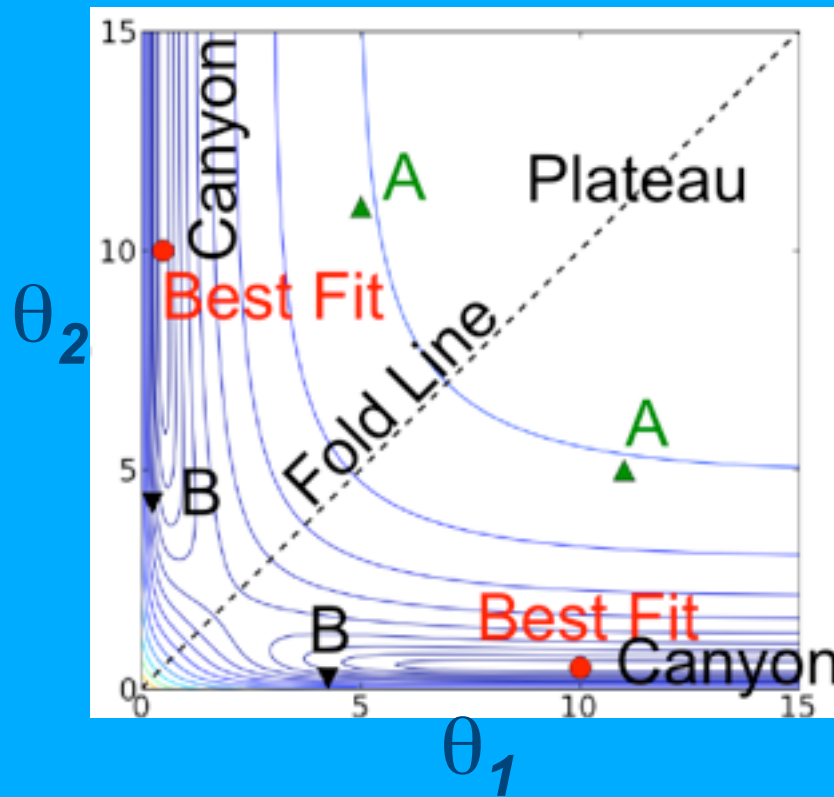
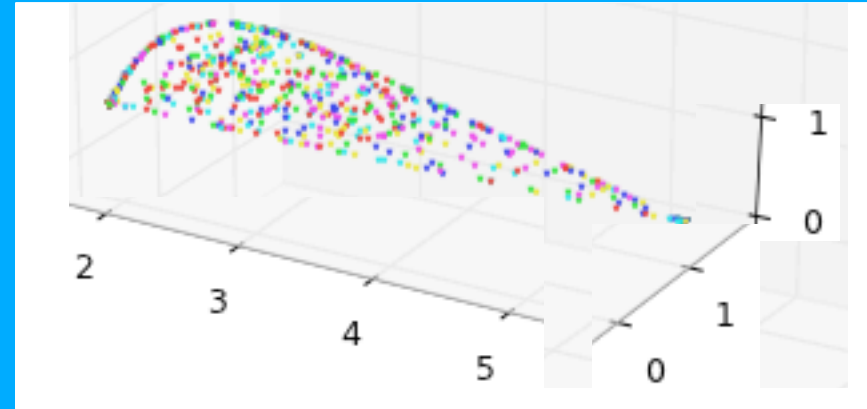


Sum of many exponentials, fit to $y(0), y(1)$ data predictions at $y(1/4), y(1/2), y(3/4)$

Edges of the model manifold

Fitting Exponentials

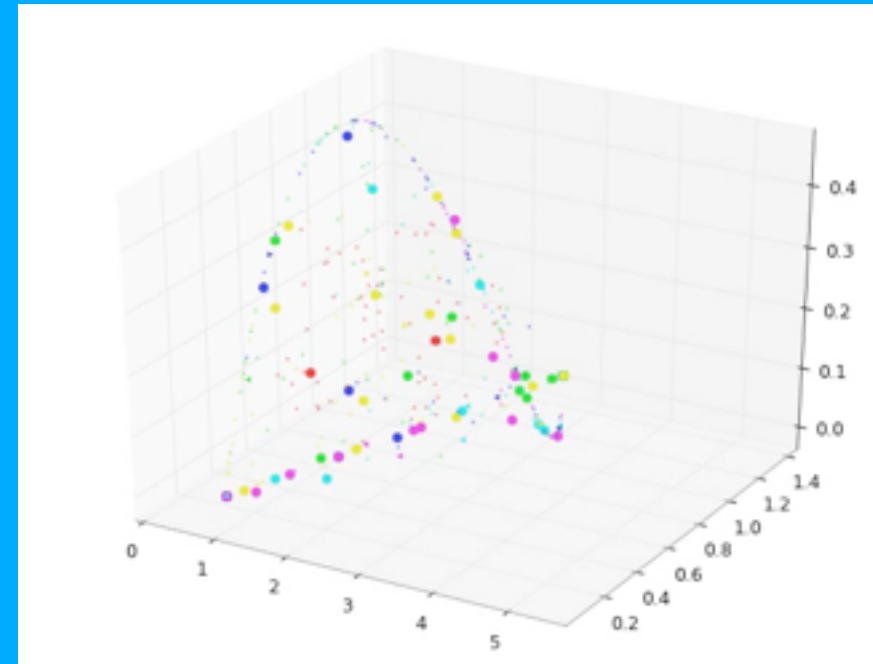
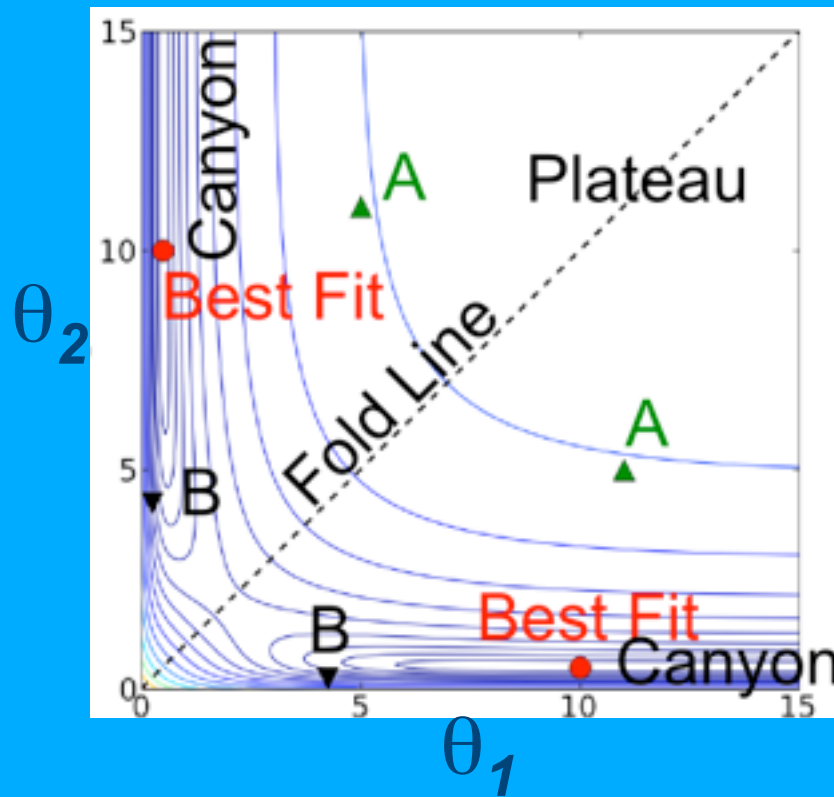
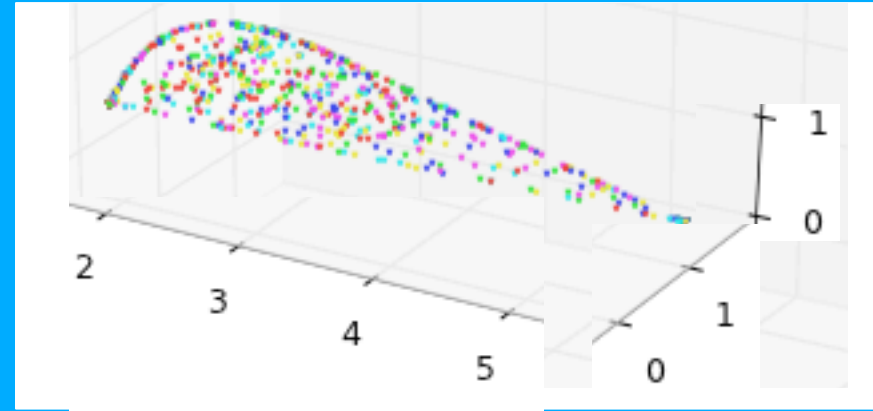
Top: Flat model manifold;
articulated edges = plateau
Bottom: Stretch to uniform
aspect ratio (Isabel Kloumann)



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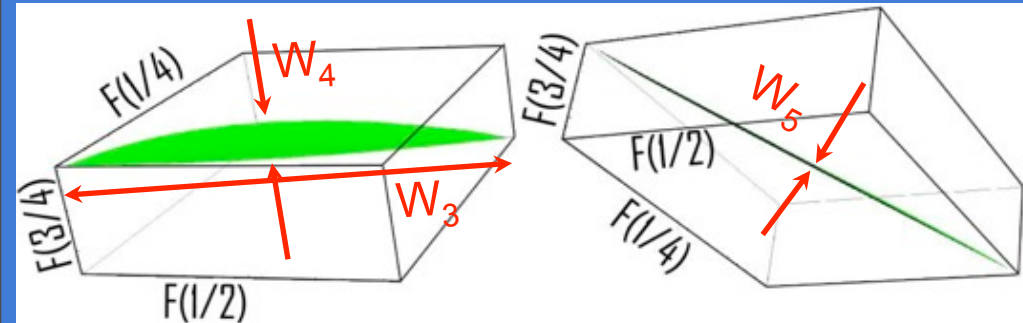
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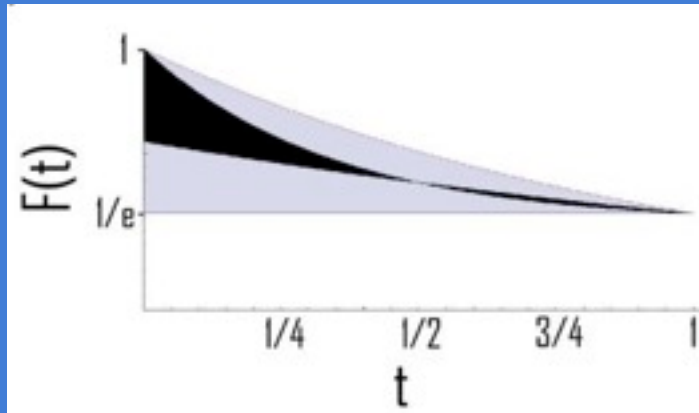


Hierarchy of widths and curvatures

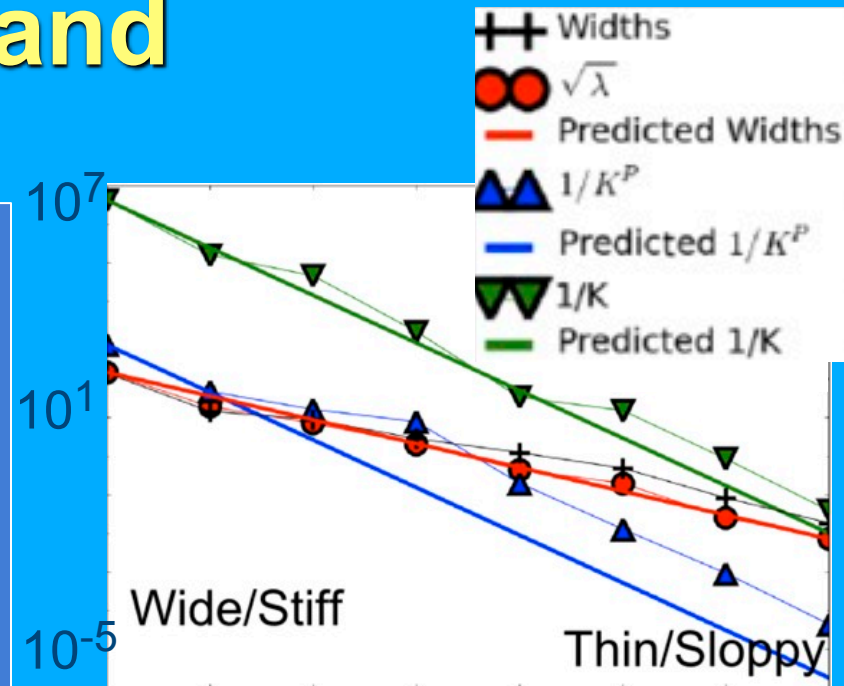
Hierarchy of widths



Cross sections: fixing f at 0, $\frac{1}{2}$, 1



Theorem: interpolation good with many data points
Geometrical convergence



Eigendirection at best fit

Multi-decade span of widths, curvatures, eigenvalues

Widths $\sim \sqrt{\lambda}$ sloppy eigs

Parameter curvature

$$K^P = 10^3 \times K$$

\gg extrinsic curvature

Why is it so thin and flat?

Model $f(t, \theta)$ analytic:

$$f^{(n)}(t)/n! \leq R^{-n}$$

Polynomial fit $P_{m-1}(t)$

to $f(t_1), \dots, f(t_m)$

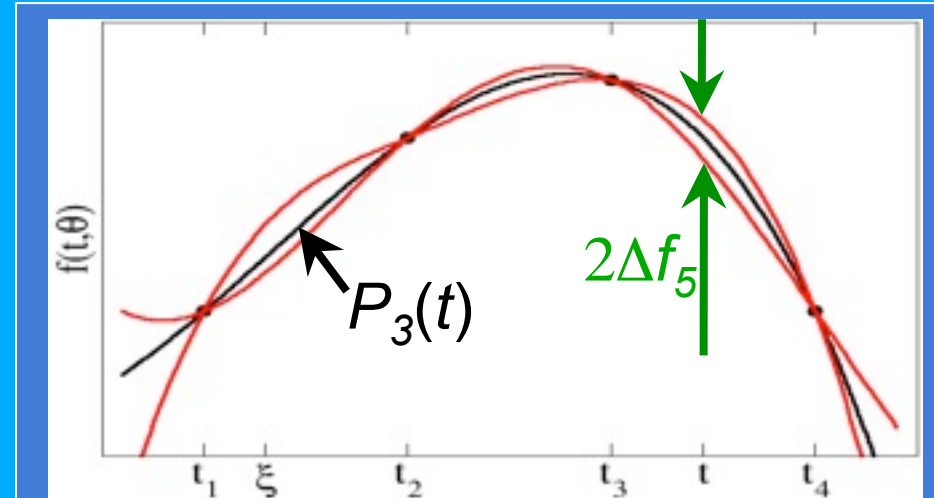
Interpolation convergence theorem

$$\Delta f_{m+1} = f(t) - P_{m-1}(t)$$

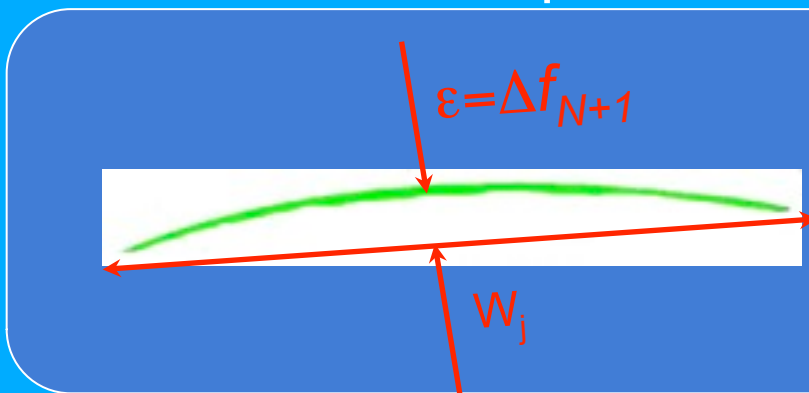
$$< (t-t_1)(t-t_2)\dots(t-t_m) f^{(m)}(\xi)/m!$$

$$\sim (\Delta t / R)^m$$

More than one data per R

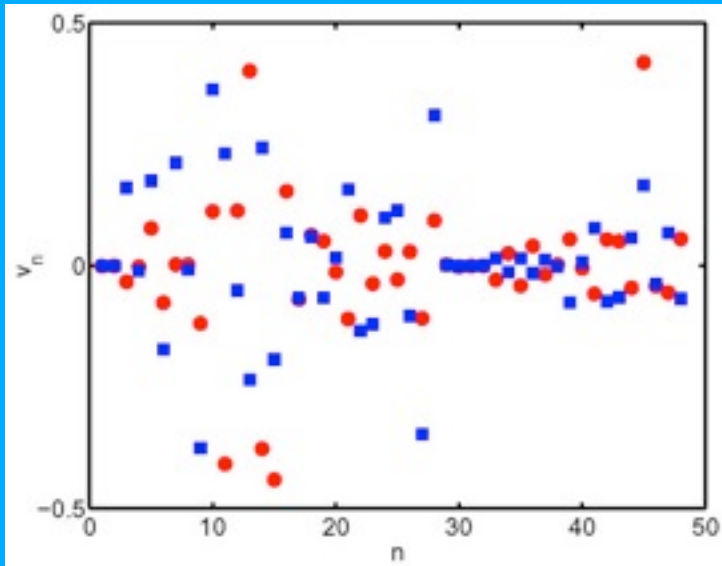


Hyper-ribbon: Cross section constraining m points has width $W_{m+1} \sim \Delta f_{m+1} \sim (\Delta t / R)^m$

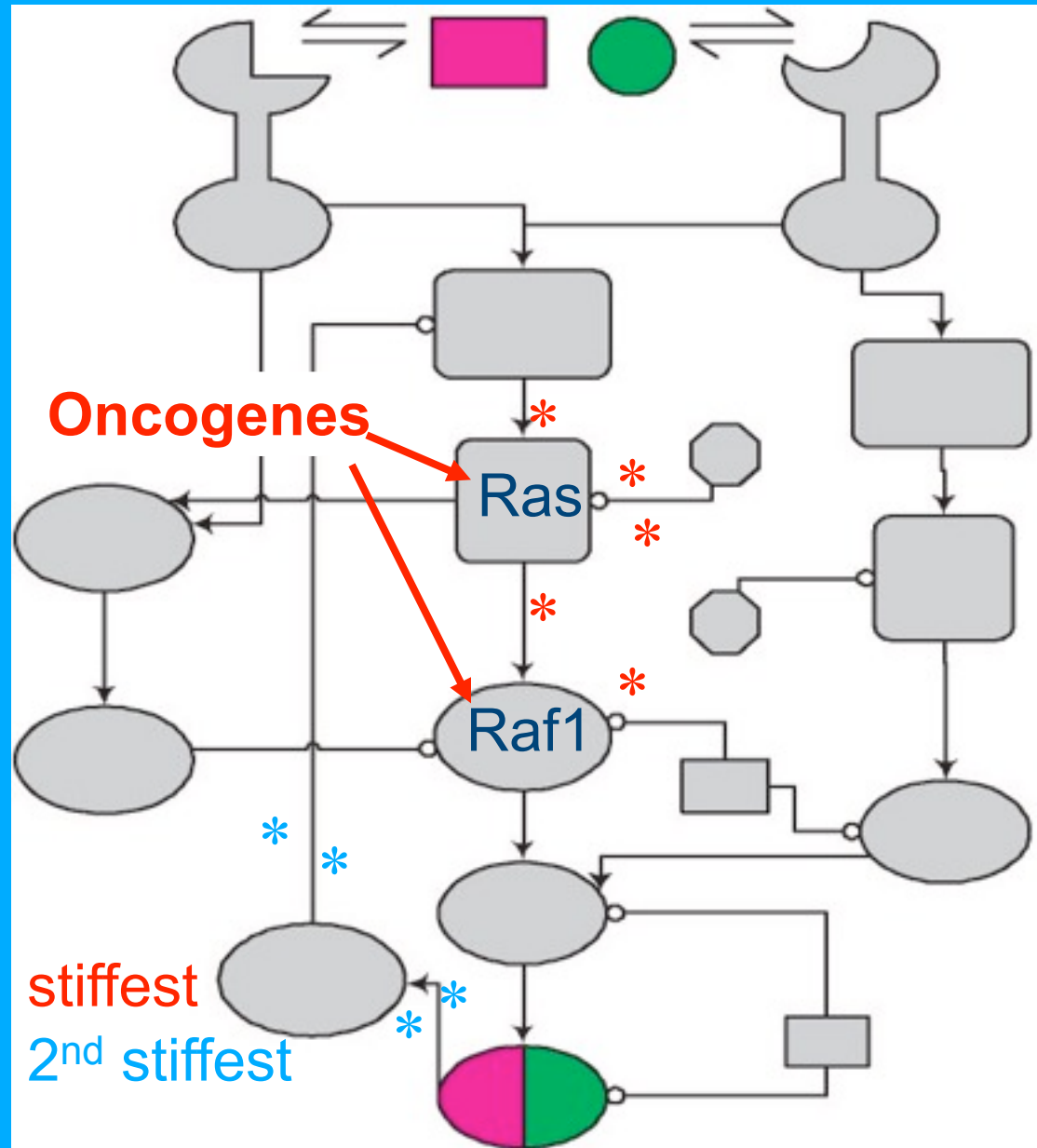


Extrinsic flatness: $N=M$ trivially flat, extra data deviates $\epsilon \sim \Delta f_{N+1}$, so curvature $K \sim \epsilon / W_j^2 \sim (\Delta t / R)^{N+1-j} / W_j$

Which Rate Constants are in the Stiffest Eigenvector?



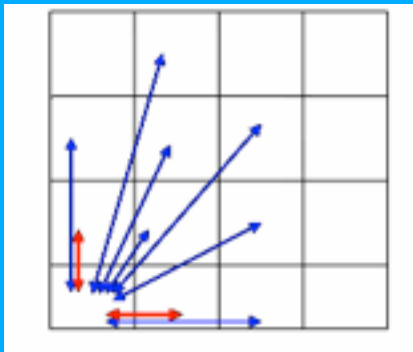
Eigenvector components along the bare parameters reveal which ones are most important for a given eigenvector.



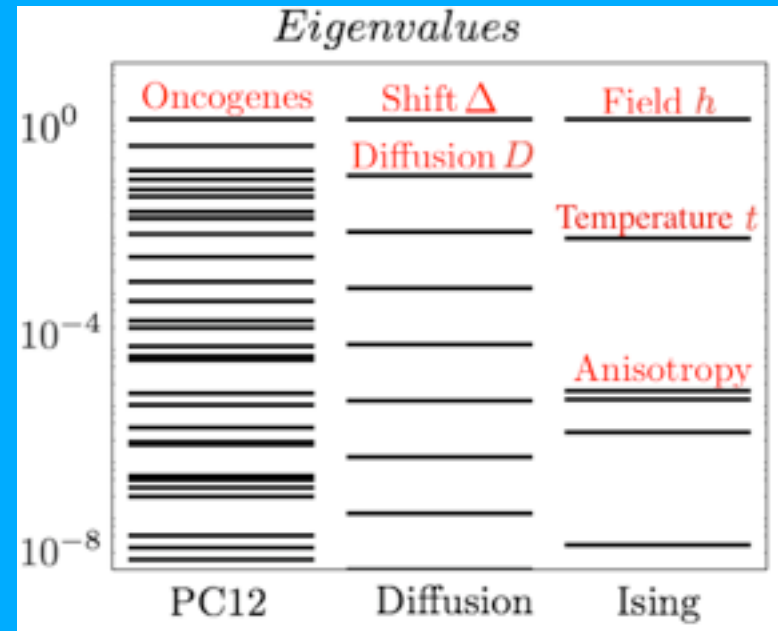
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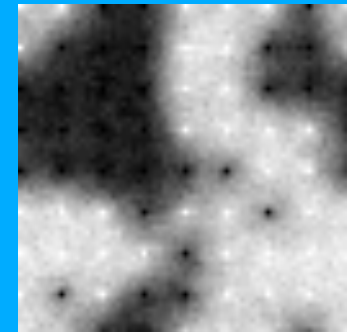
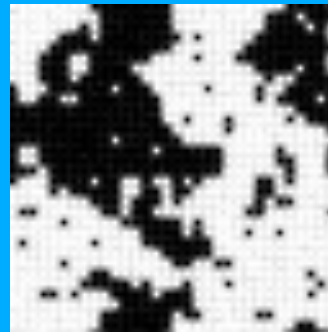
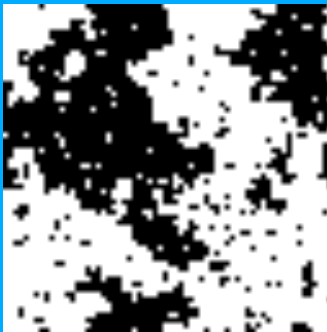
Emergence of distilled laws from microscopic complexity



Ising: long bonds
Diffusion: long hops
Irrelevant on macroscale



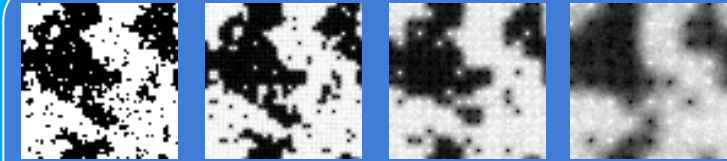
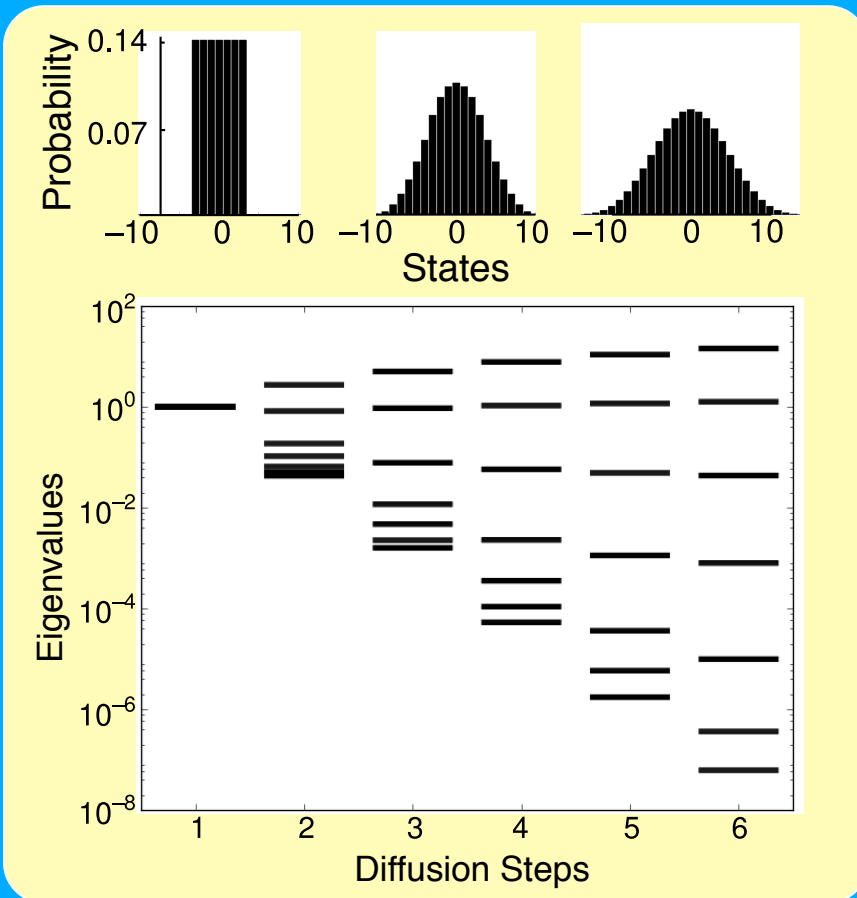
Both sloppy at long-wavelengths



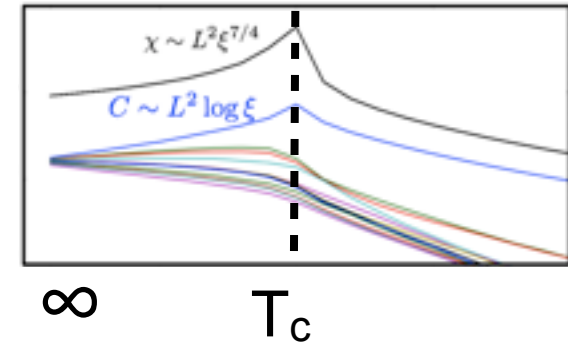
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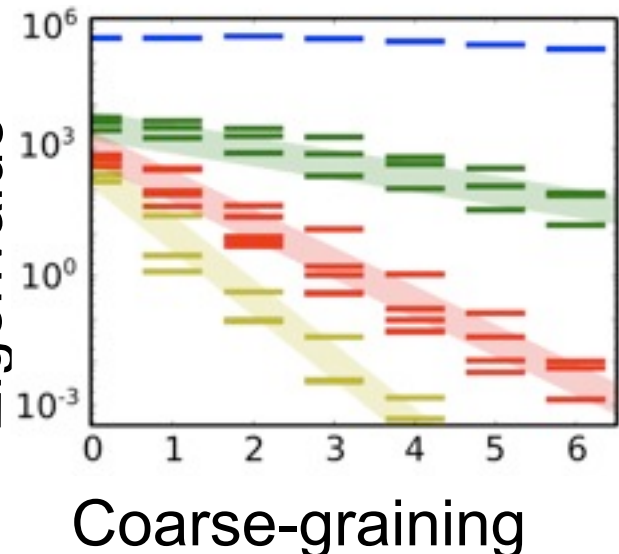
Kullback-Liebler divergence metric
Sloppy after coarse graining (in
space for Ising, time for diffusion)



Eigenvalue



Eigenvalue



Generation of Reduced Models

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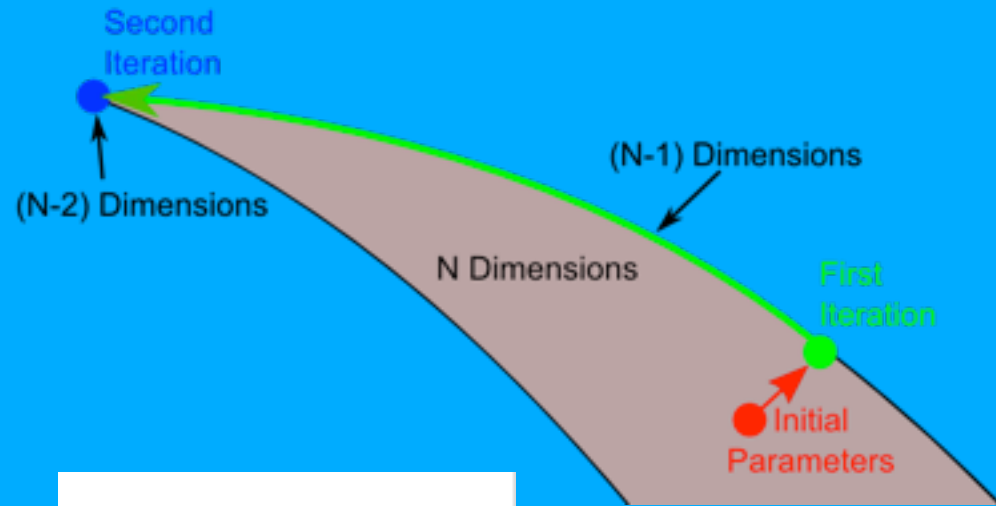
Can we coarse-grain sloppy models? If most parameter directions are useless, why not remove some?

Transtrum has *systematic* method!

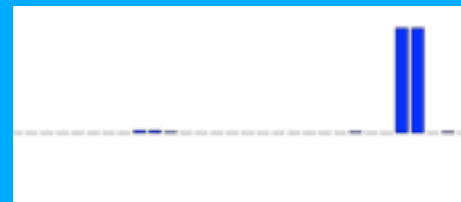
(1) Geodesic along sloppiest direction to nearby point on manifold boundary

(2) Eigendirection simplifies at model boundary to chemically reasonable simplified model

Coarse-graining = boundaries of model manifold.



Sloppiest Eigendirection

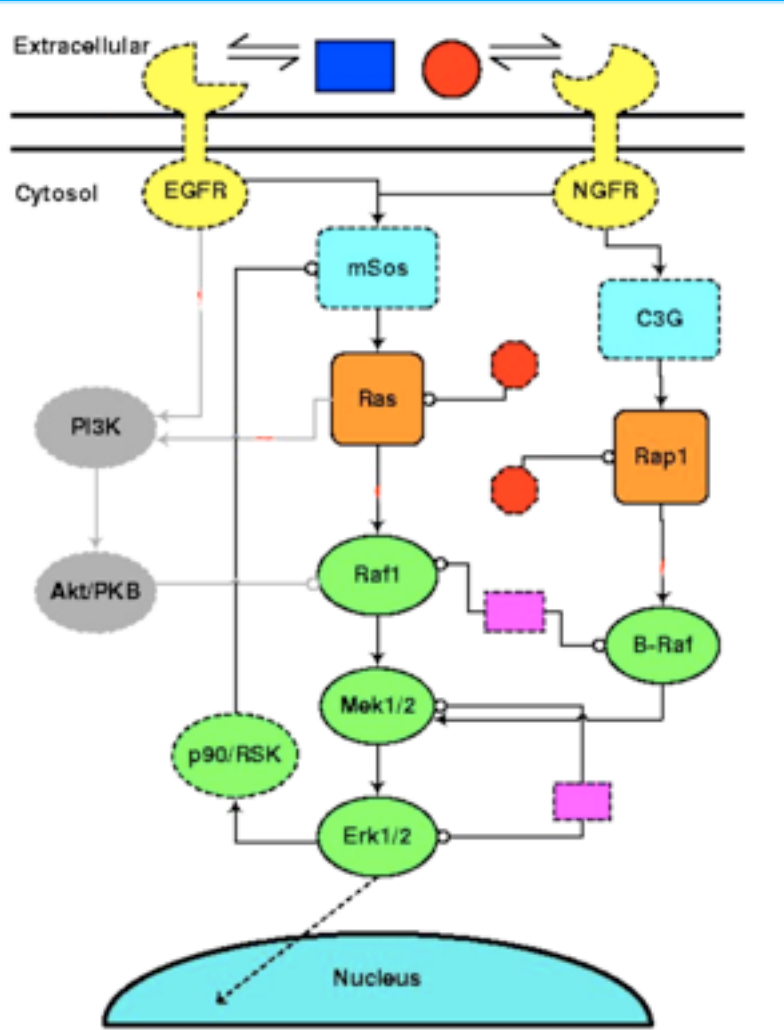


Simplified at Boundary (Unsaturation reaction)

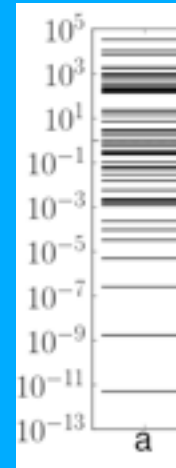


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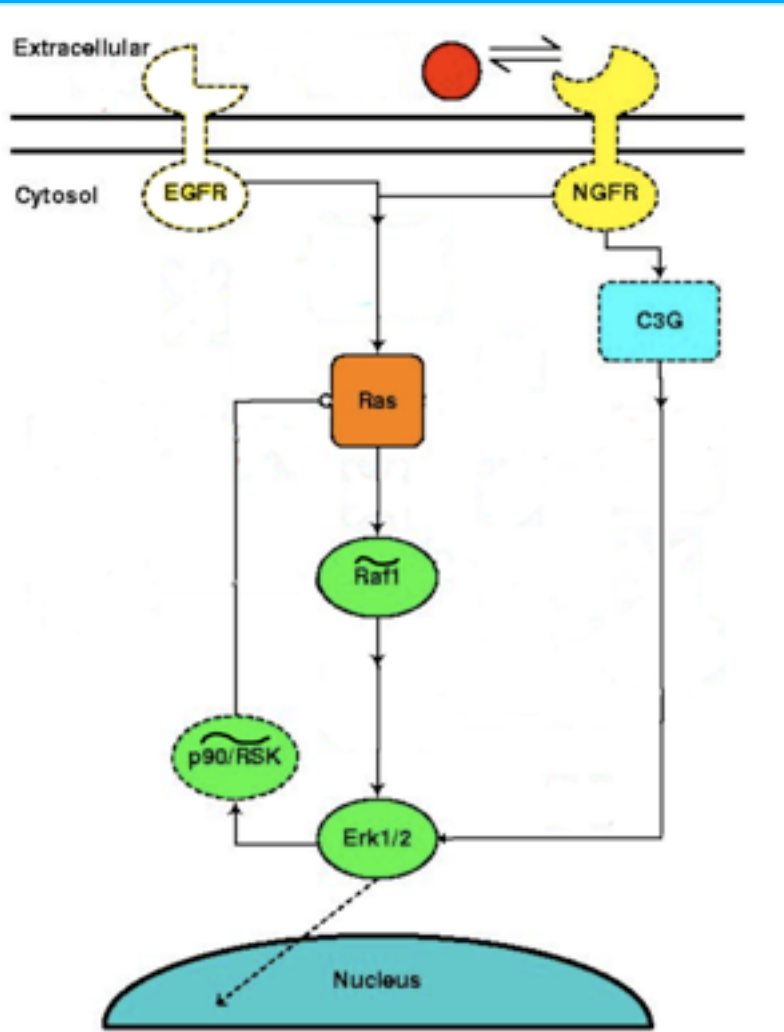
48 params
29 ODEs



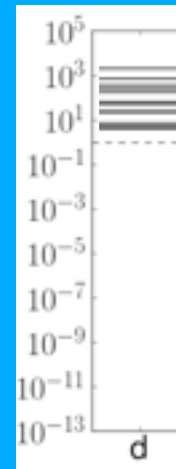
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2	$\frac{dL}{dt} = k_{on} E L - k_{off} E L$	11	$\frac{dRap1}{dt} = k_{on} Rap1 + k_{off} Rap1$	20	$\frac{dErk1/2}{dt} = k_{on} Erk1/2 + k_{off} Erk1/2$
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4	$\frac{dNGFR}{dt} = k_{on} NGFR + k_{off} NGFR$	13	$\frac{dB-Raf}{dt} = k_{on} B-Raf + k_{off} B-Raf$	22	$\frac{dErk1/2}{dt} = k_{on} Erk1/2 + k_{off} Erk1/2$
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12 params
6 ODEs



$$[bEGFR] = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{EGF Present} \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[bNGFR] = \theta_1[NGF][iNGFR]$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[NGF] = -\theta_1[NGF][iNGFR]$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[RasA] = -[RasA][P90RskA] + \theta_2[bEGFR] + \theta_3[bNGFR]$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[\widetilde{Raf1A}] = \theta_4[RasA] - \theta_5[\widetilde{Raf1A}]/([\widetilde{Raf1A}] + \theta_6)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[C3GA] = \theta_7[bNGFR][C3GI]$$

$$[Rap1A] = \theta_8[C3GA]$$

$$[MekA] = [\widetilde{Raf1A}][MekI] + \theta_9[Rap1A]$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[Erk] = -\theta_{10}[ErkA] + \theta_{11}[MekA][ErkI]$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[P90RskA] = \theta_{12}[ErkA]$$

Reduced model fits all
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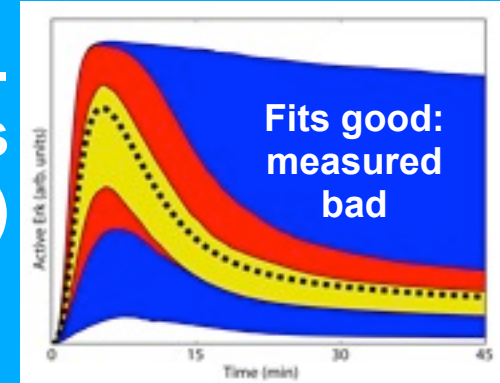
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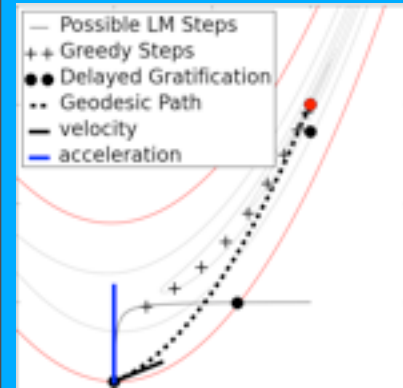
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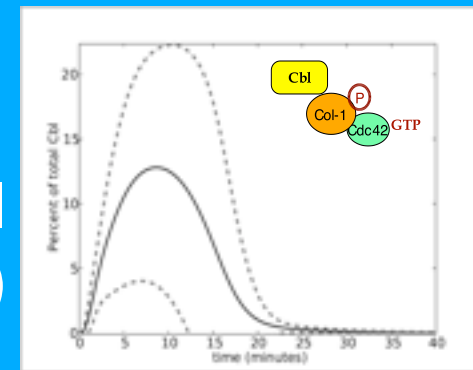
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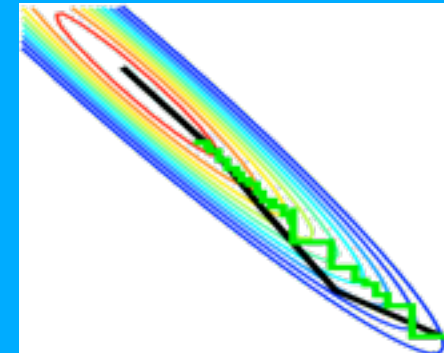
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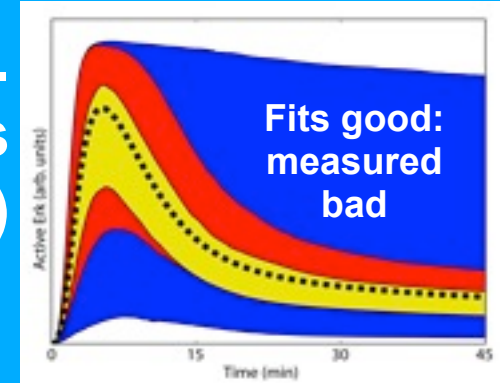


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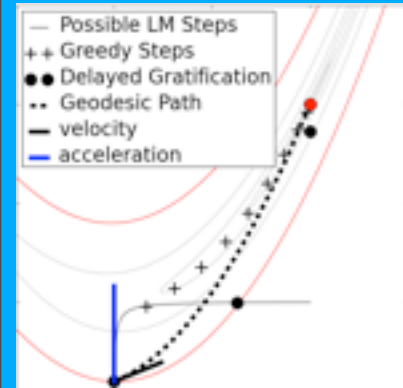
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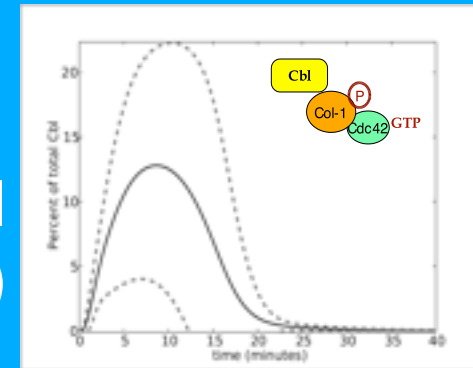
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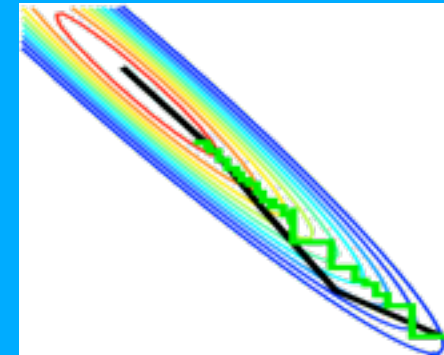
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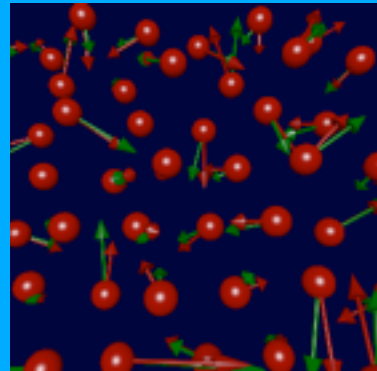
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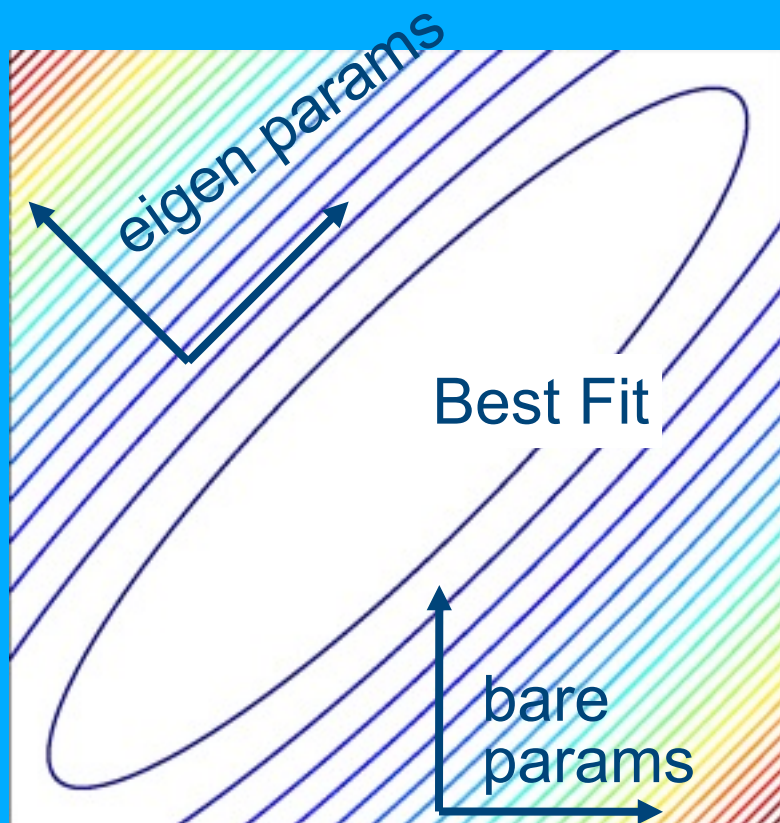


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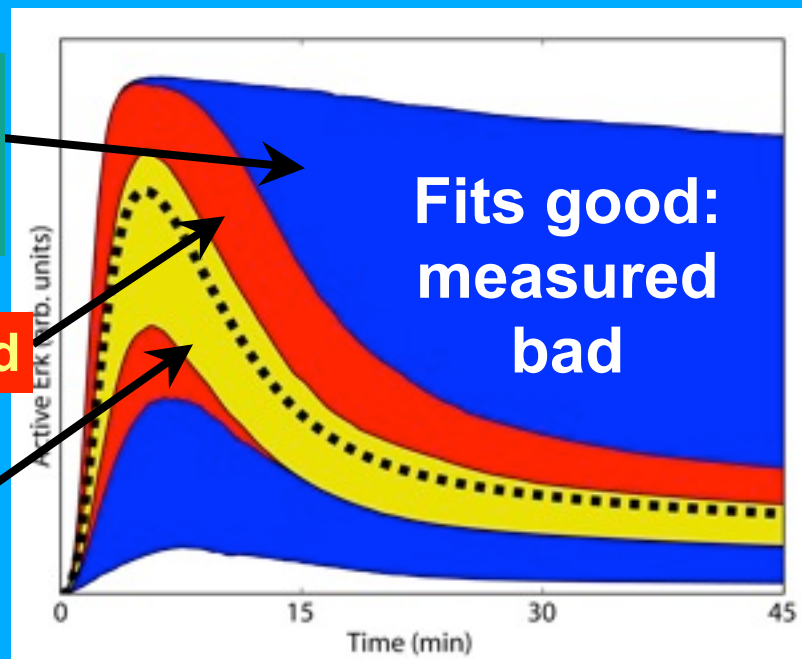
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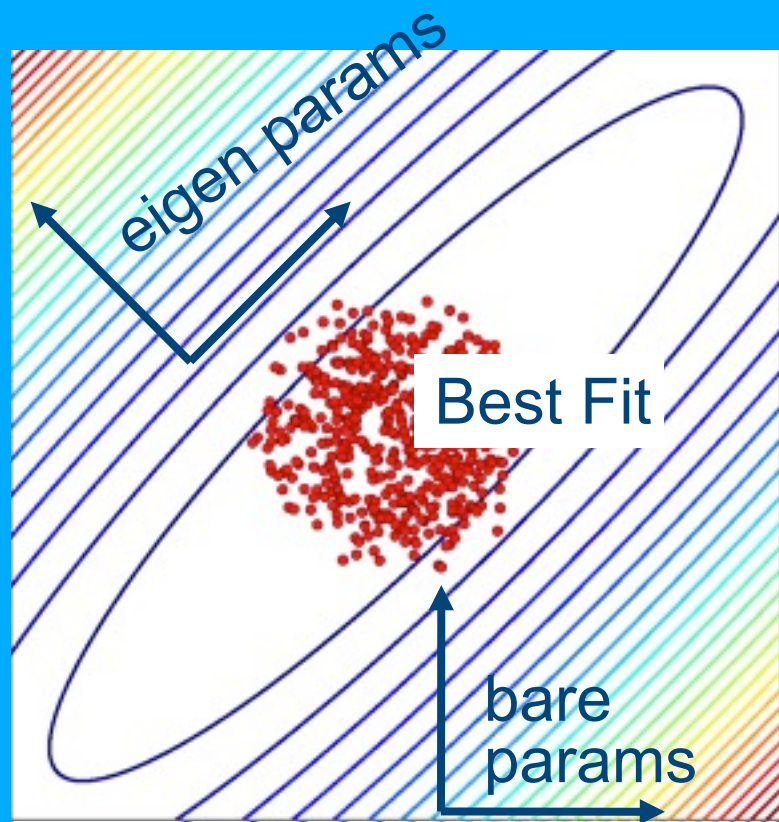


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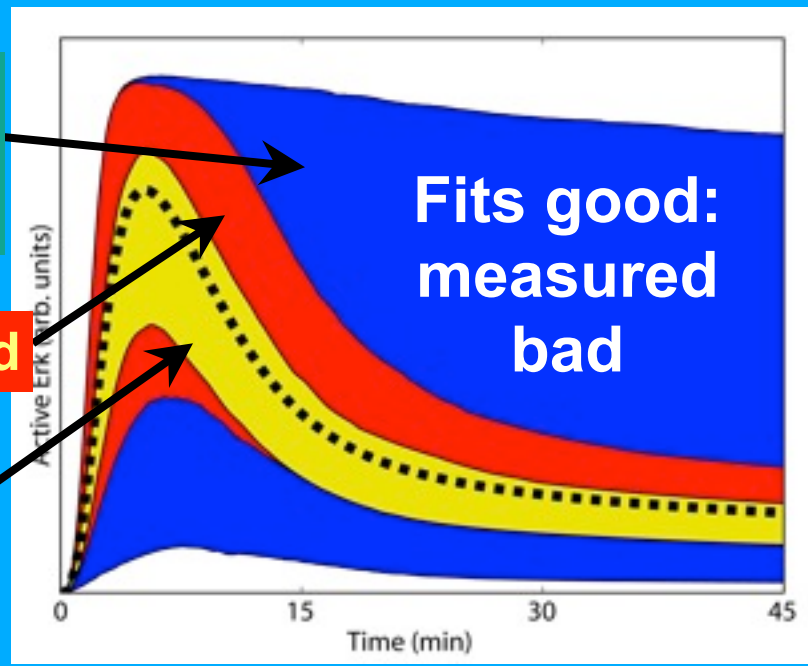
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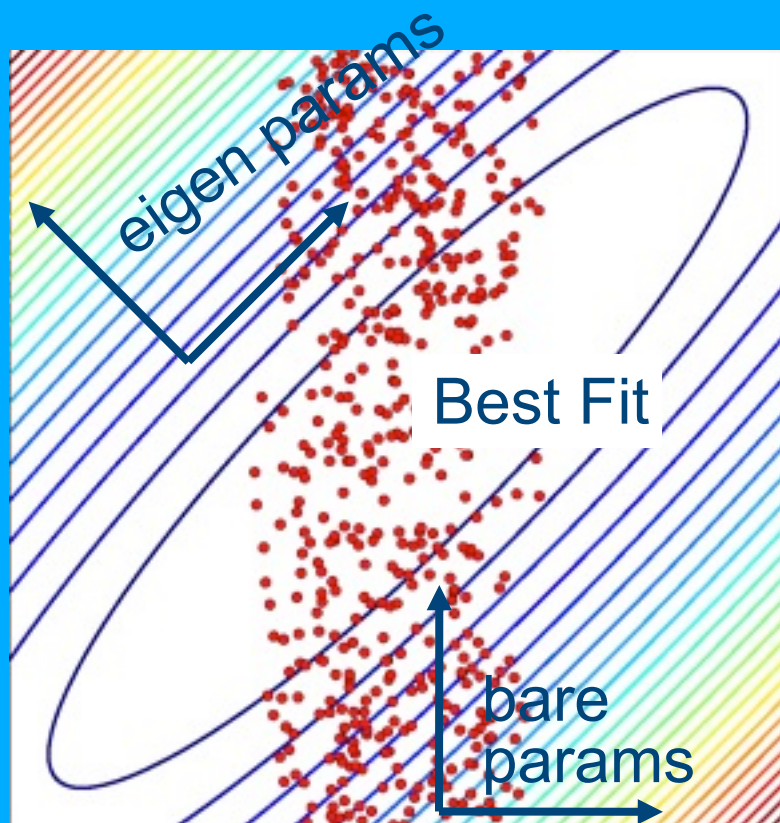


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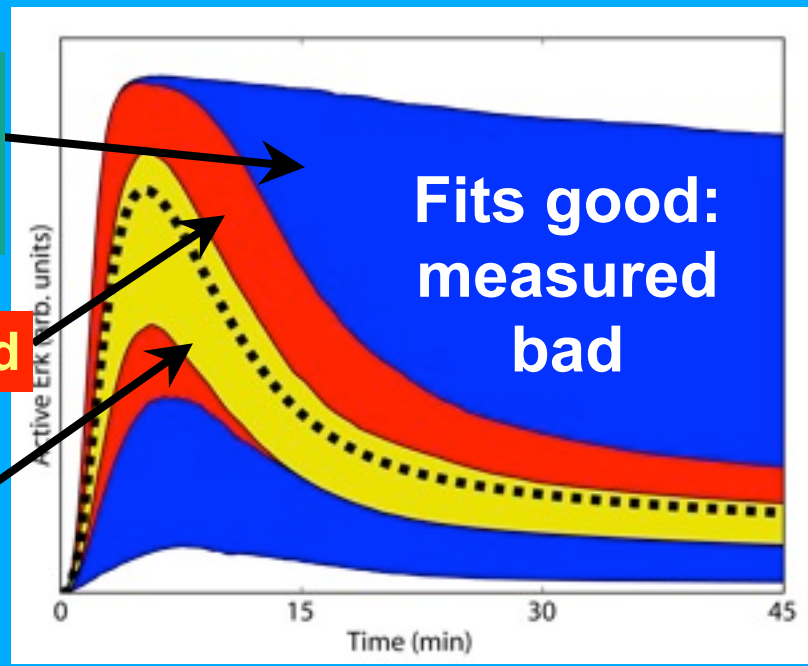
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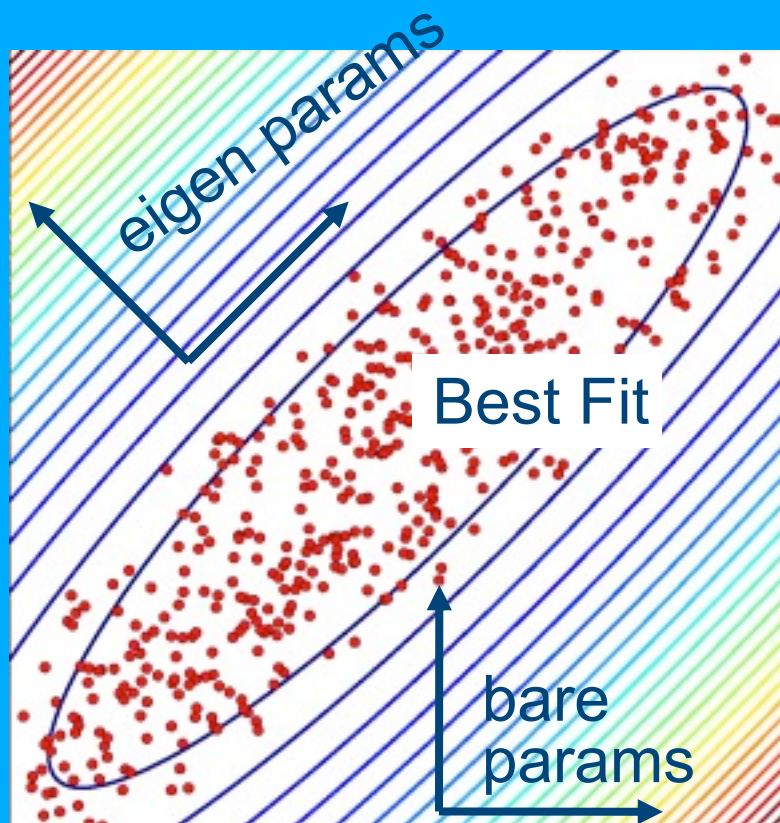


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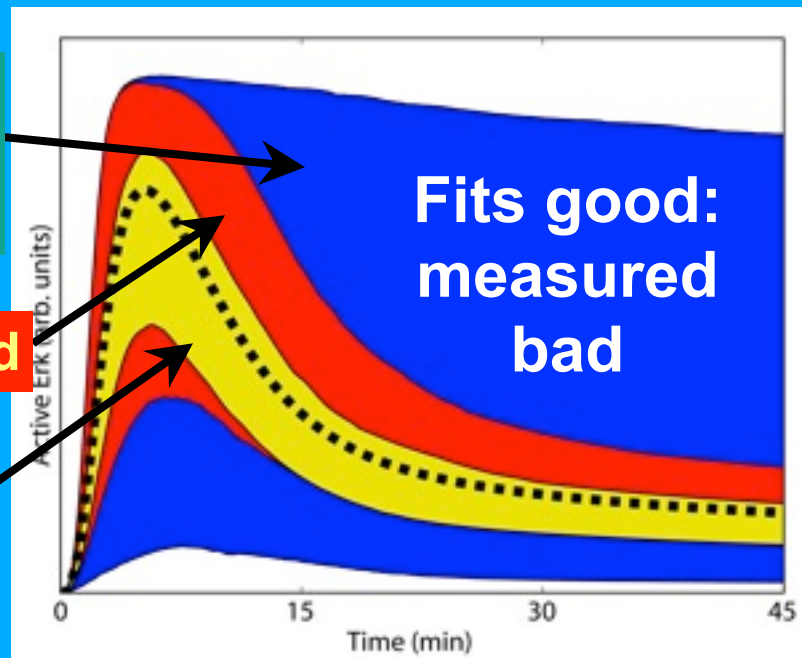
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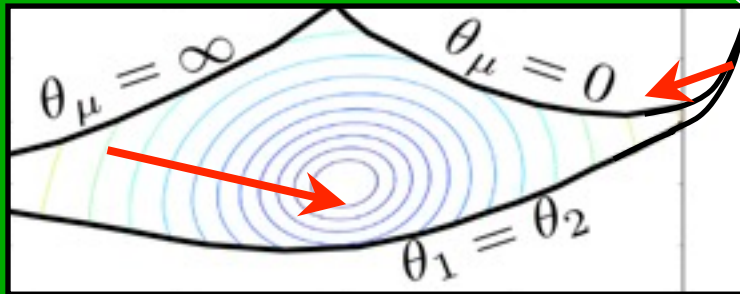
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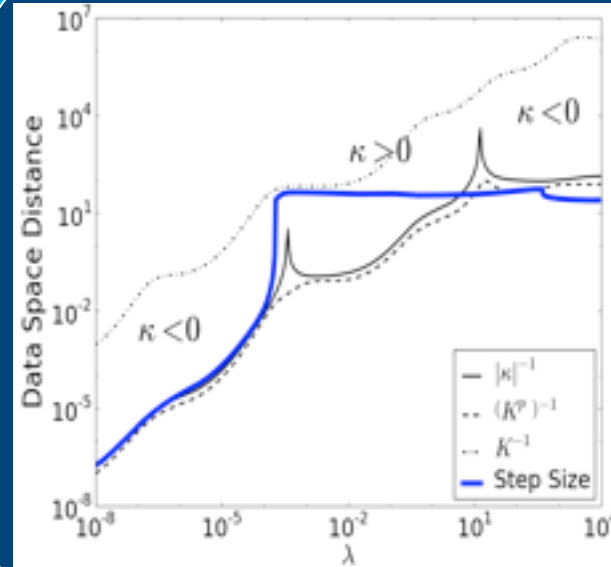
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Geodesic Paths nearly circles
Follow local geodesic velocity?

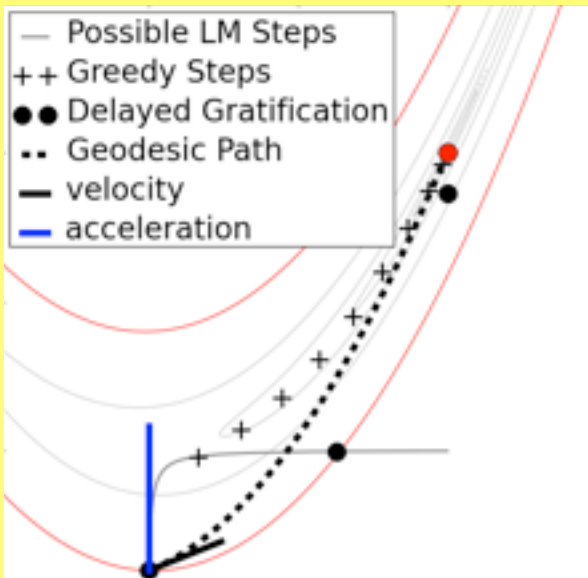
$$\delta\theta^\mu = -g_{\mu\nu} \nabla_\nu C$$

- ➔ Gauss-Newton
- ➔ Hits manifold boundary



Model Graph

add weight λ of parameter metric yields Levenberg-Marquardt: Step size now limited by curvature



Algorithm	Success Rate	Mean njev	Mean nfev
Traditional LM + accel	65%	258	1494
Traditional LM	33%	2002	4003
Trust Region LM	12%	1517	1649
BFGS	8%	5363	5365

Follow parabola, **geodesic acceleration**
Cheap to calculate; faster; more success

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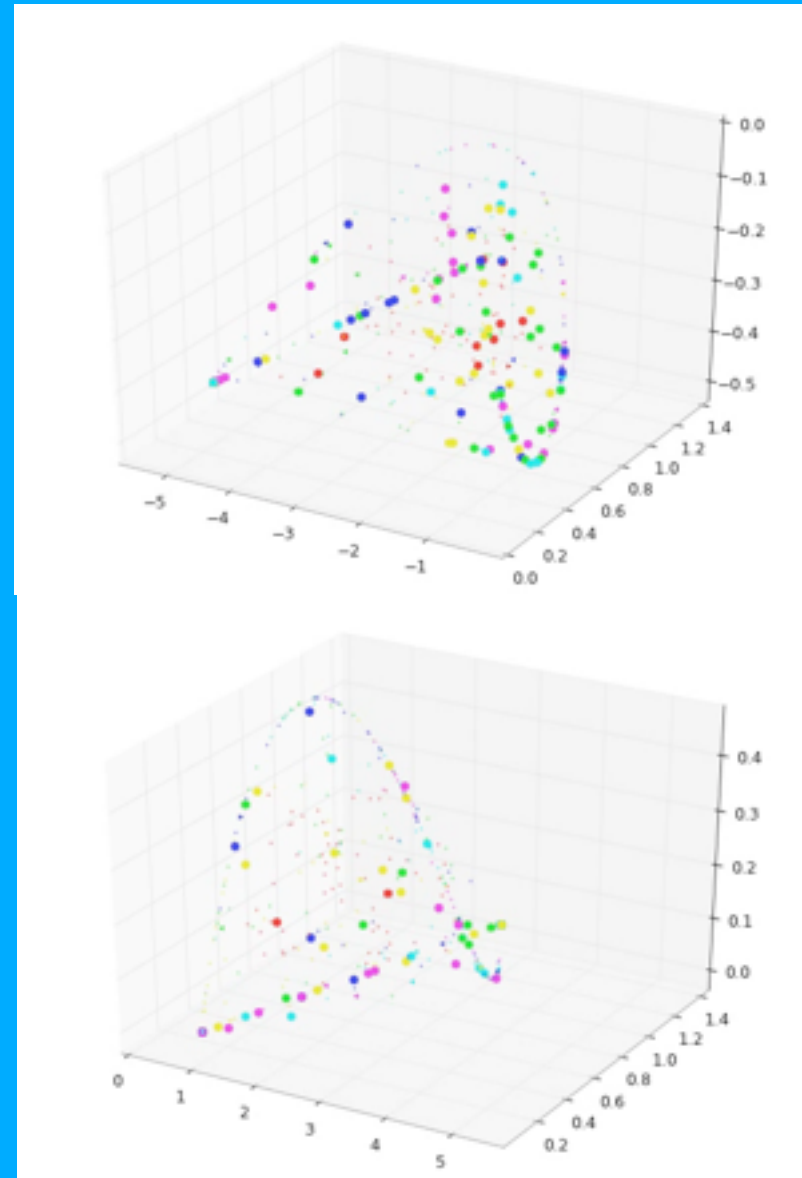
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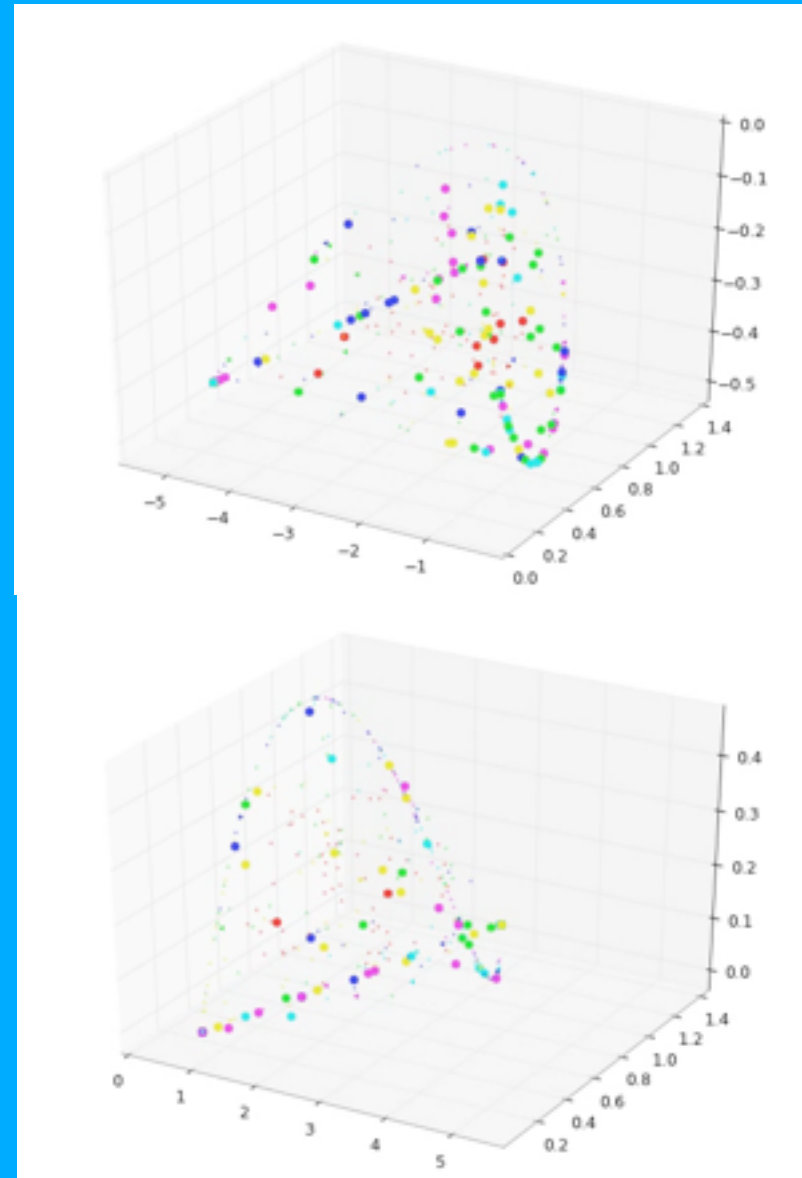
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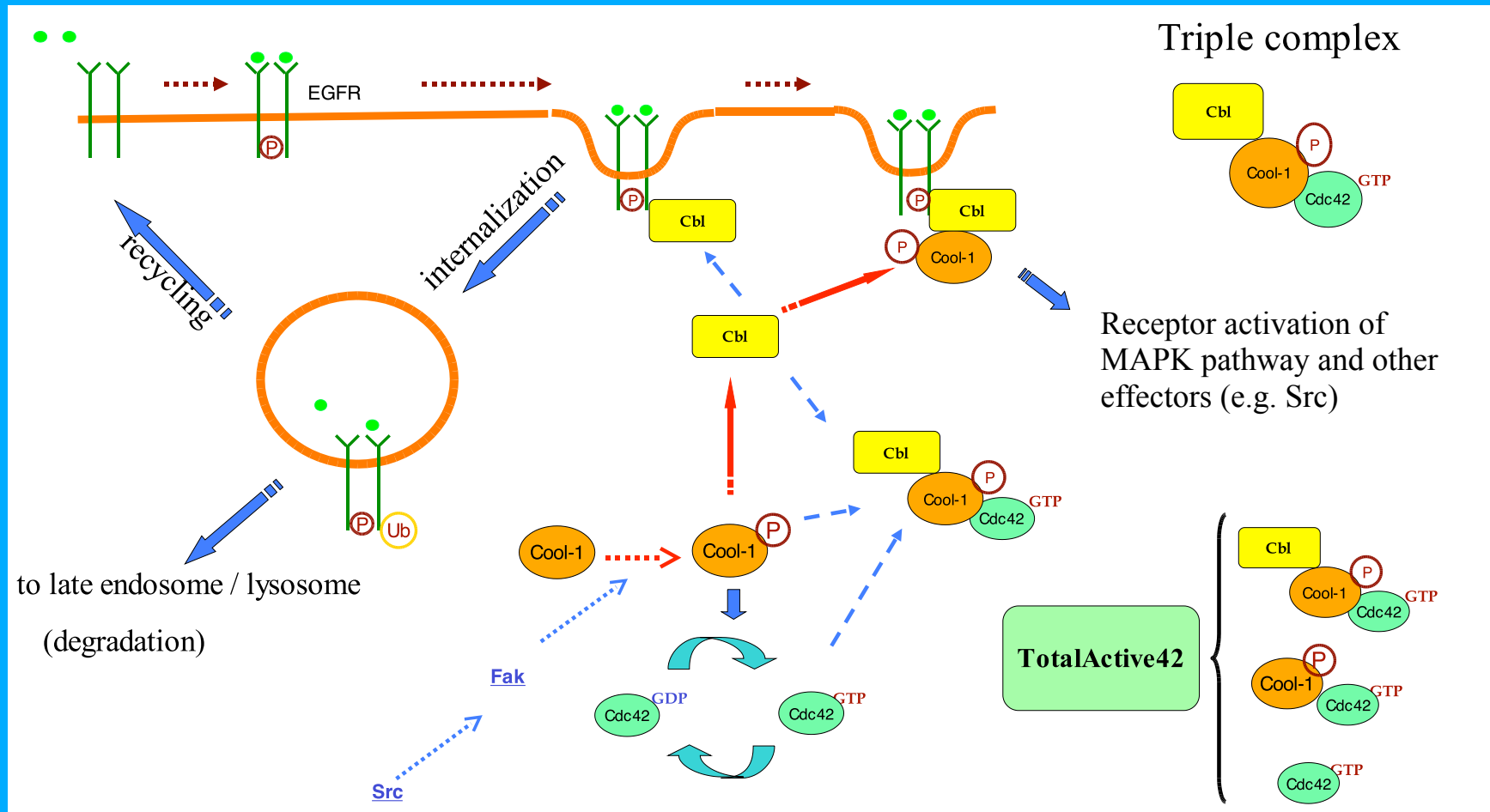
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C. EGFR Trafficking Model

Fergal Casey, Cerione lab

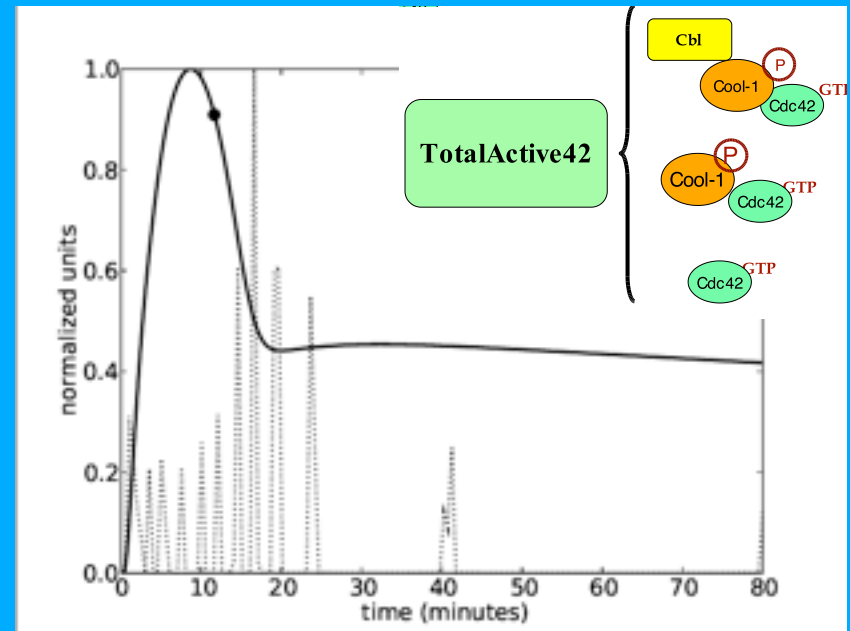
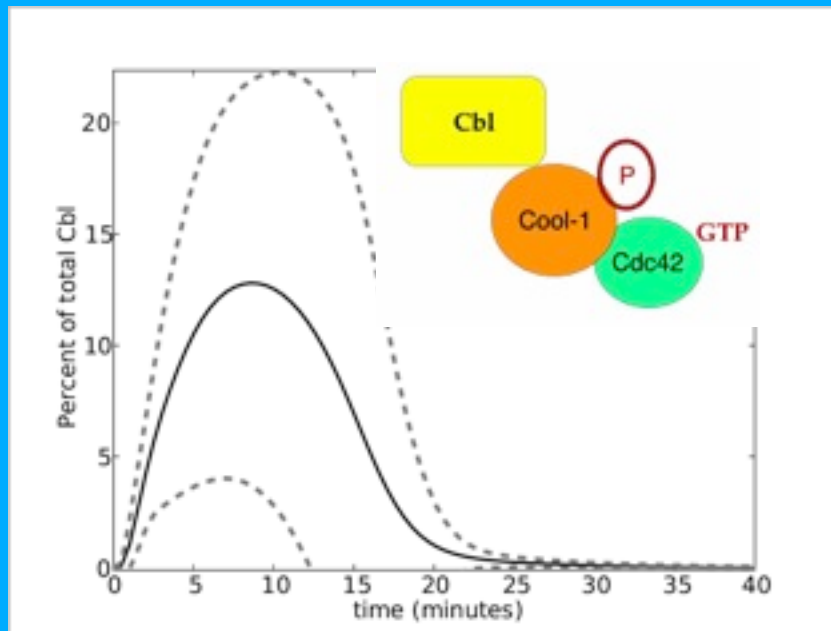
- Active research, Cerione lab: testing hypothesis, experimental design (Cool1 \equiv β -PIX)
- 41 chemicals, 53 rate constants; only 11 of 41 species can be measured
- Does Cool-1 triple complex sequester Cbl, delay endocytosis in wild type NIH3T3 cells?



C. Trafficking: experimental design

Which experiment best reduces prediction uncertainty?

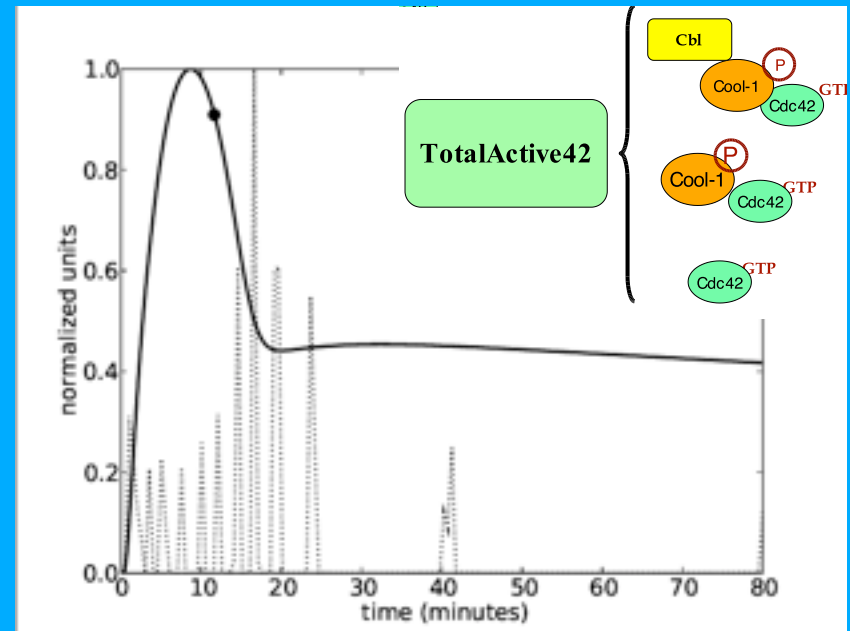
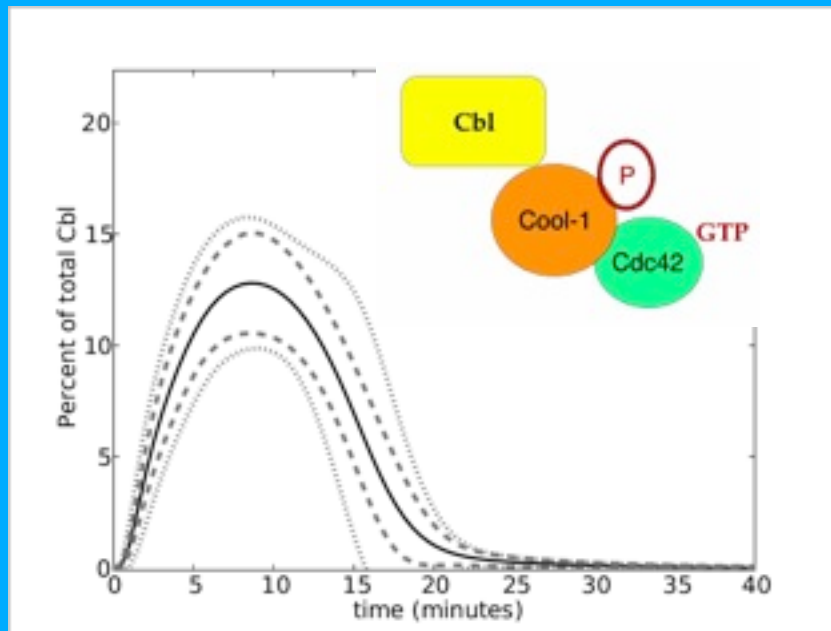
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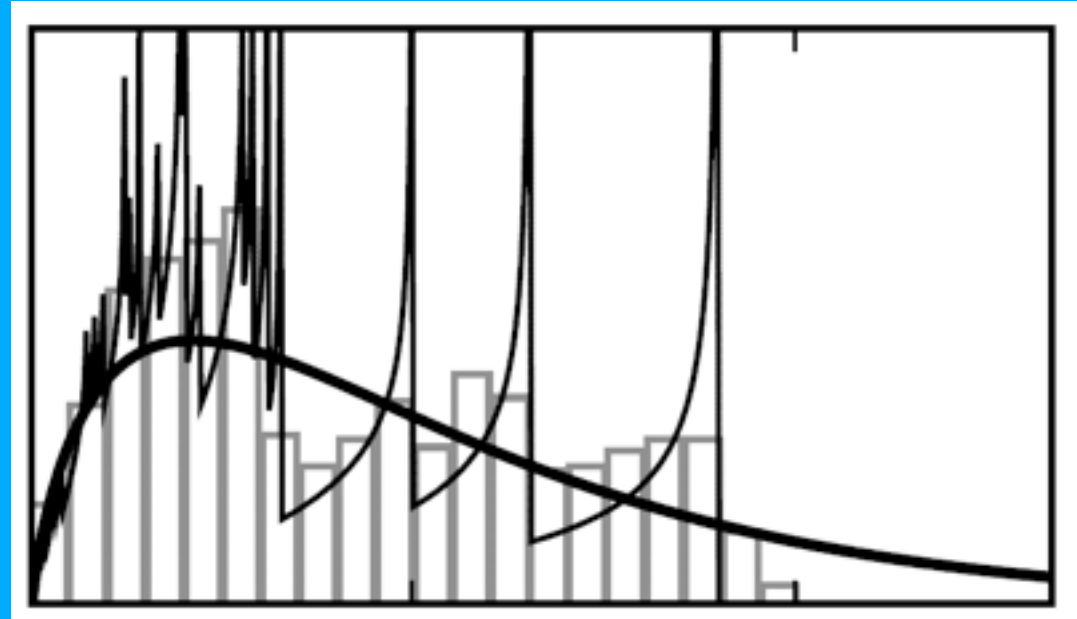
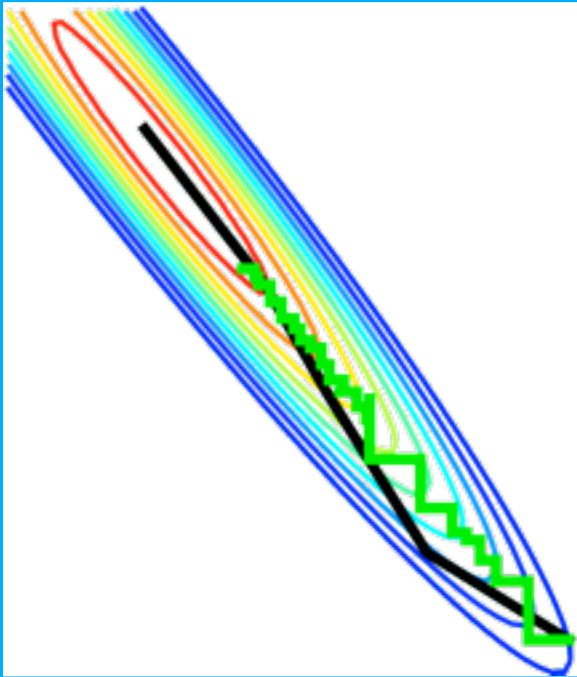
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D. Evolution in Chemotype space

Implications of sloppiness?



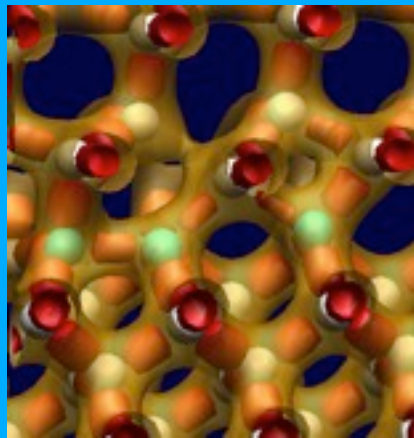
Fitness gain from first successful mutation

- Culture of identical bacteria, one mutation at a time
- Mutation changes one or two rate constants (no *pleiotropy*): orthogonal moves in rate constant (chemotype) space
- **Cusps** in first fitness gain (one for each rate constant, big gap)
- Multiple mutations get stuck on ridge in sloppy landscape

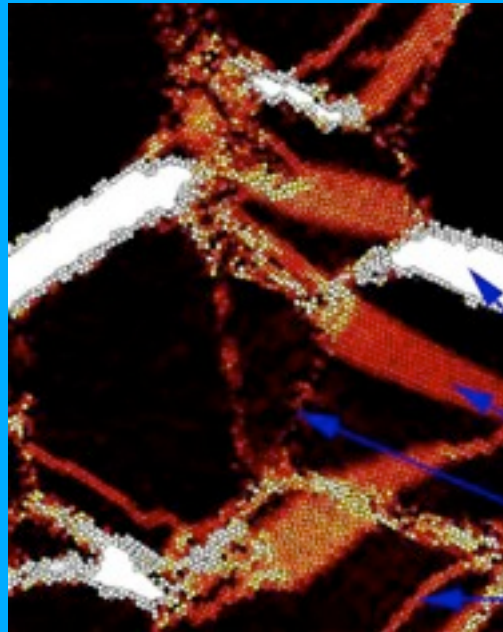
E. Bayesian Errors for Atoms

'Sloppy Model' Approach to Error Estimation of Interatomic Potentials

Søren Frederiksen, Karsten W. Jacobsen, Kevin Brown, JPS



Quantum
Electronic
Structure (Si)
90 atoms (Mo)
(Arias)



Atomistic potential
820,000 Mo atoms
(Jacobsen, Schiøtz)

Interatomic Potentials $V(r_1, r_2, \dots)$

- Fast to compute
- Limit $m_e/M \rightarrow 0$ justified
- Guess functional form
 - Pair potential $\sum V(r_i - r_j)$ poor
 - Bond angle dependence
 - Coordination dependence
- Fit to experiment (old)
- Fit to forces from electronic structure calculations (new)

17 Parameter Fit

E. Interatomic Potential Error Bars

Ensemble of Acceptable Fits to Data

Not *transferable*

Unknown errors

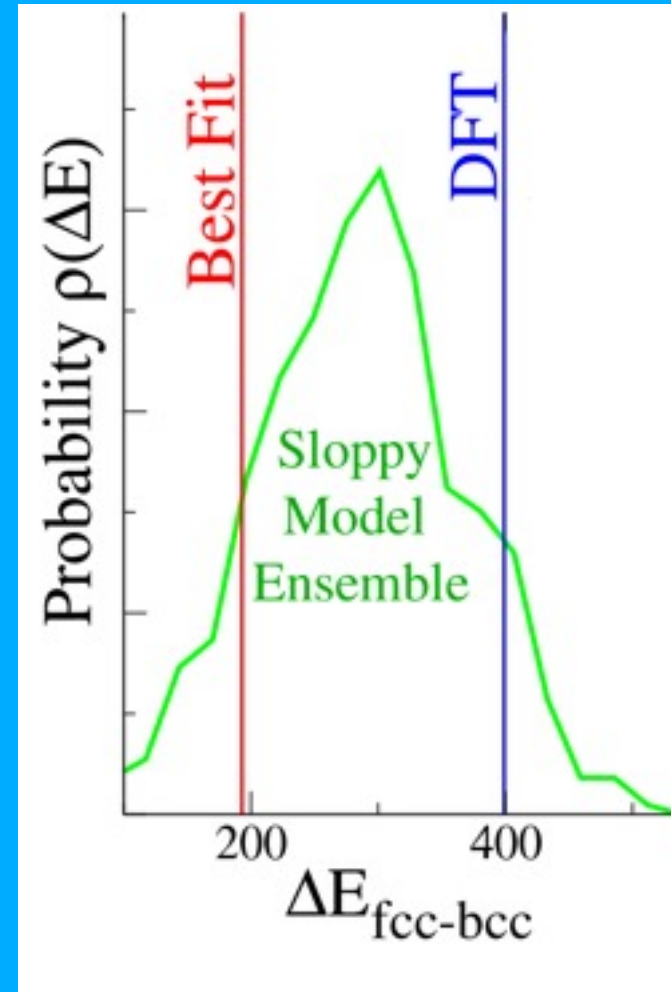
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**Ensemble in
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T_0 set by
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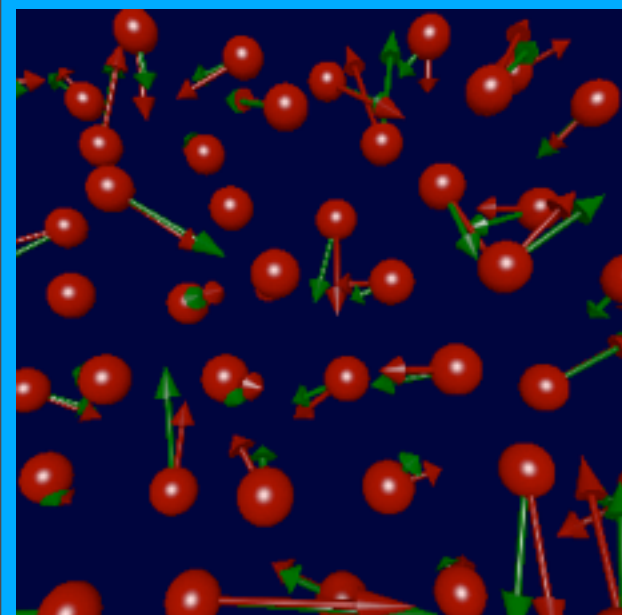
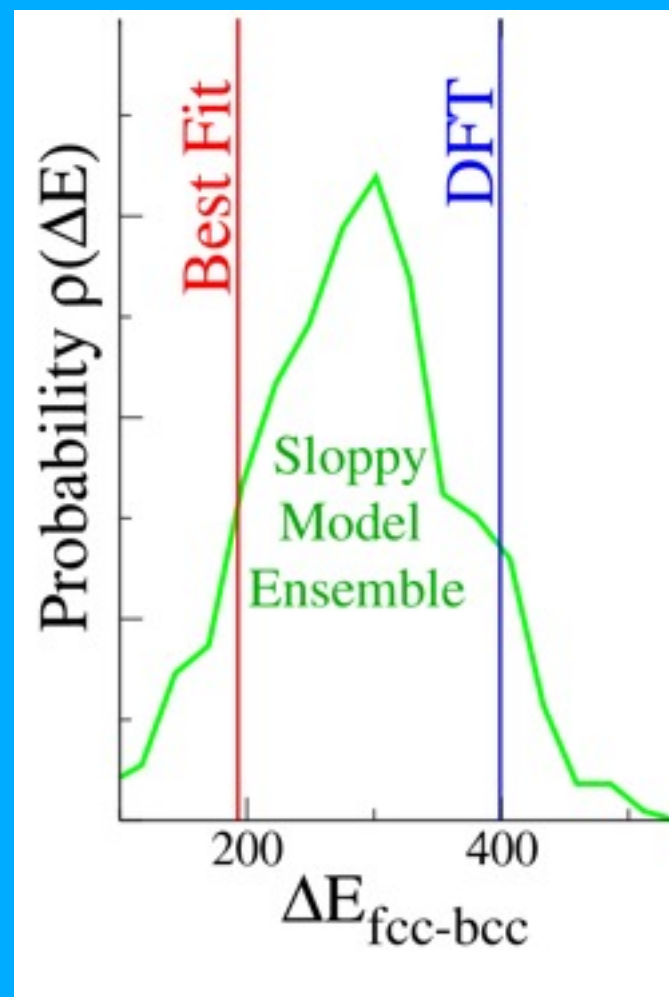
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Sloppy Molybdenum: Does it Work?

Estimating *Systematic* Errors

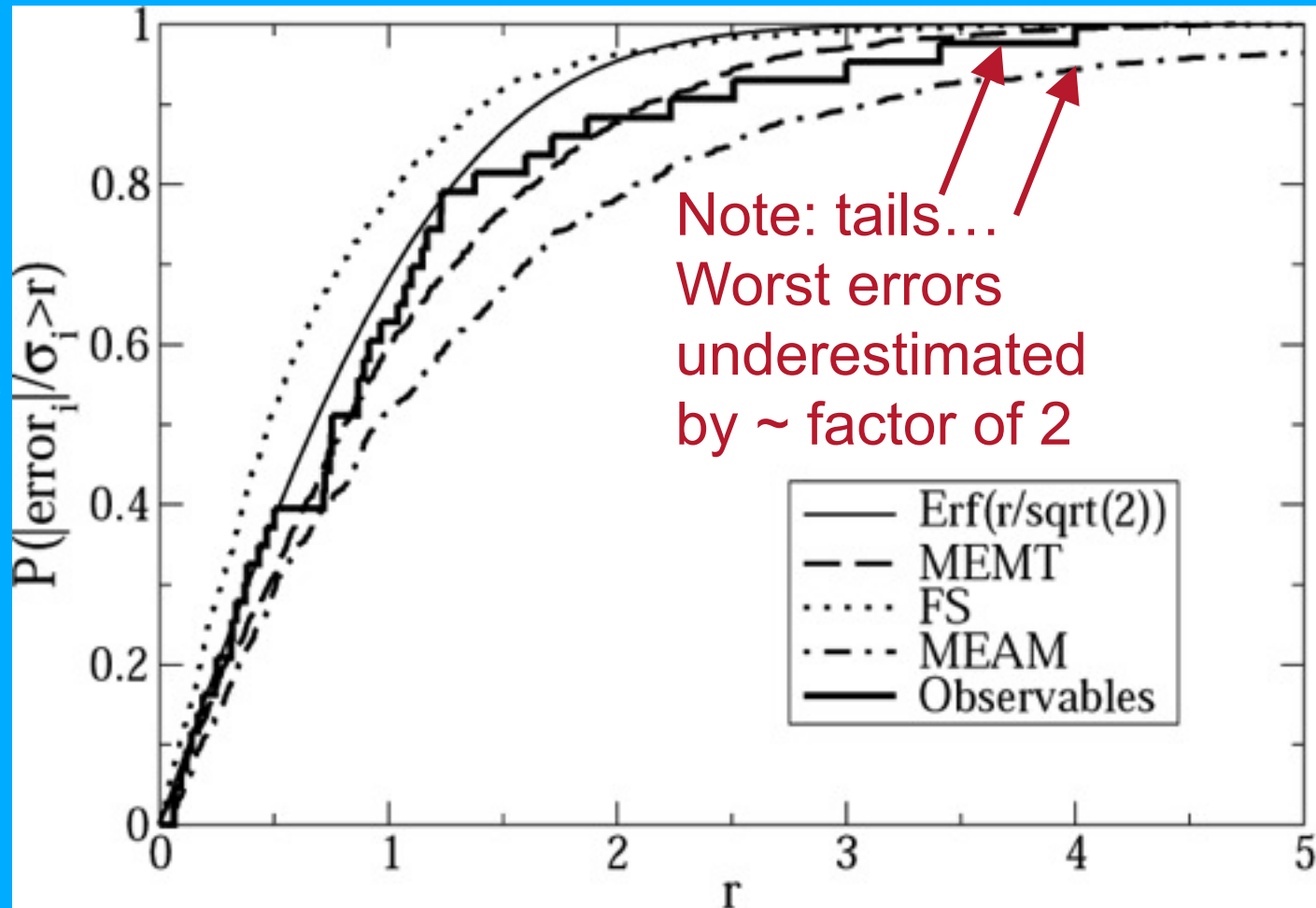
Bayesian error σ_i gives total error if ratio $r = \text{error}_i/\sigma_i$ distributed as a Gaussian: cumulative distribution $P(r) = \text{Erf}(r/\sqrt{2})$

Three potentials

- Force errors
- Elastic moduli
- Surfaces
- Structural
- Dislocation core
- $7\% < \sigma_i < 200\%$

“Sloppy model”
systematic
error most of
total

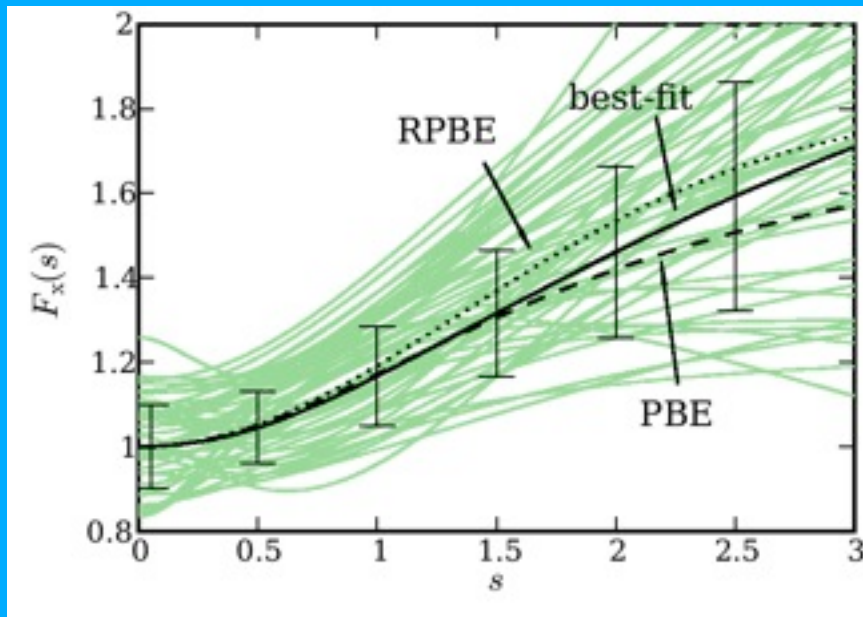
$\sim 2 \ll 200\%/7\%$



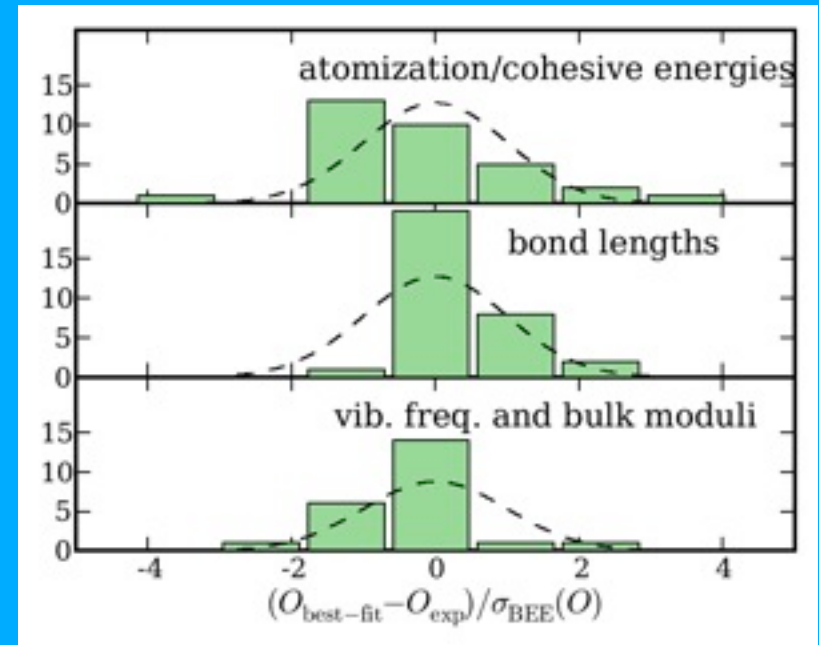
Systematic Error Estimates for DFT

GGA-DFT as Multiparameter Fit?

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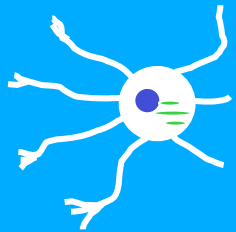
Enhancement factor $F_x(s)$
in the exchange energy E_x
Large fluctuations



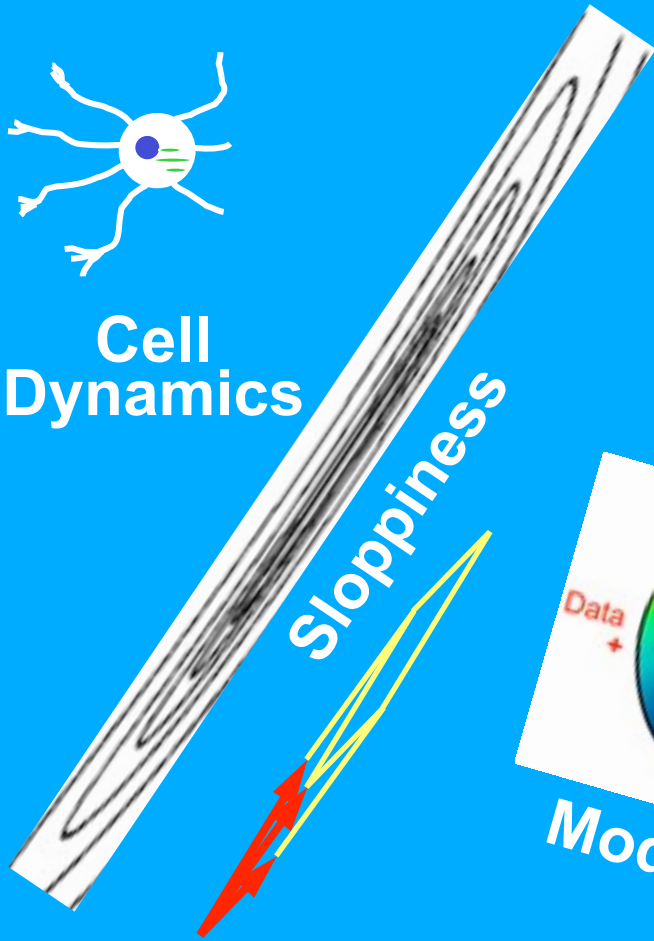
Actual error / predicted error
**Deviation from experiment
well described by ensemble!**

'Sloppy Model' Nonlinear Fits: Signal Transduction to Differential Geometry

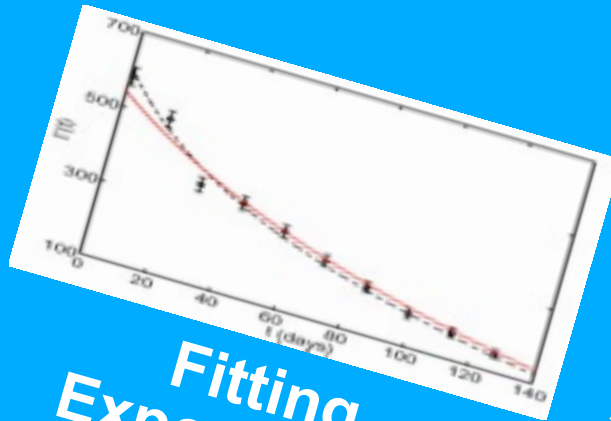
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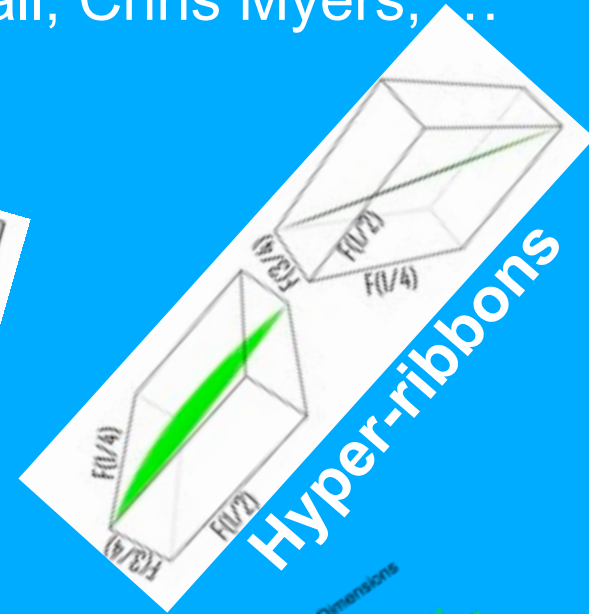
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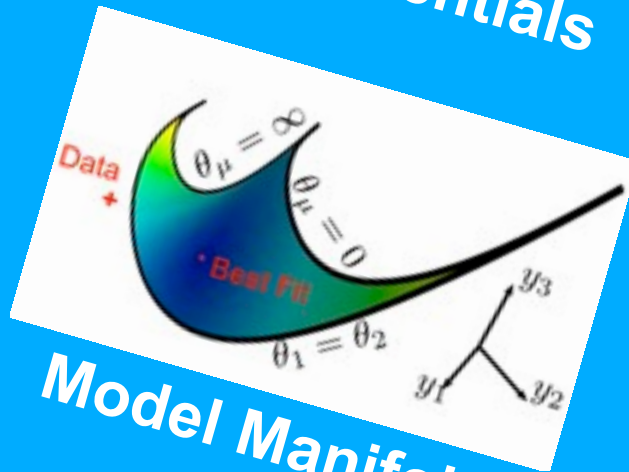
Sloppiness



Fitting Exponentials



Hyper-ribbons



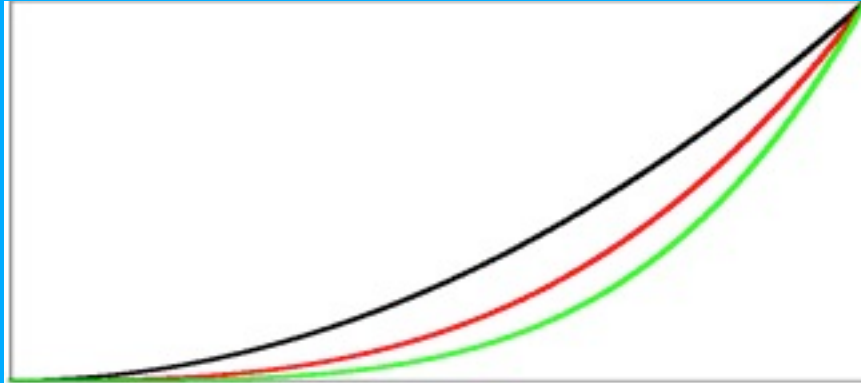
Model Manifold



Coarse-Grained Models

Where is Sloppiness From?

Fitting Polynomials to Data



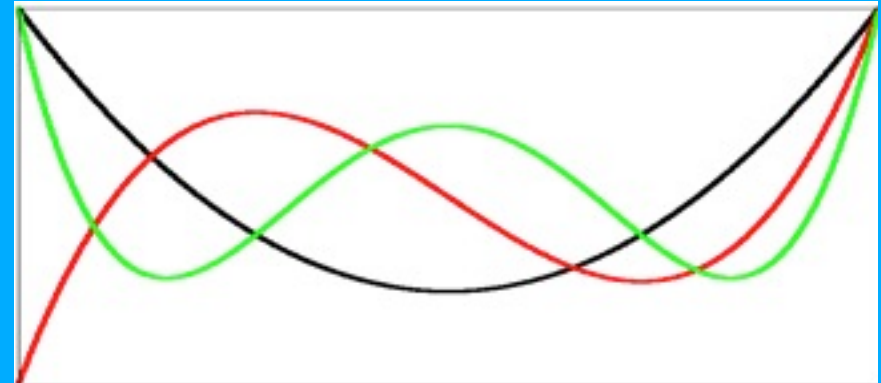
Fitting Monomials to Data

$$y = \sum a_n x^n$$

Functional Forms Same

Hessian $H_{ij} = 1/(i+j+1)$

Hilbert matrix: famous



Orthogonal Polynomials

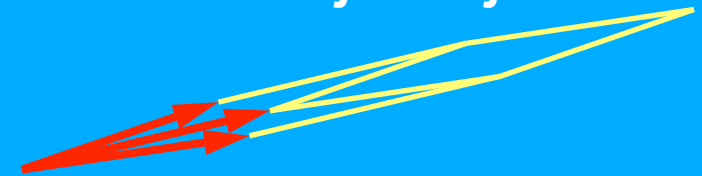
$$y = \sum b_n L_n(x)$$

Functional Forms Distinct

Eigen Parameters

Hessian $H_{ij} = \delta_{ij}$

Sloppiness arises when bare parameters skew in eigenbasis

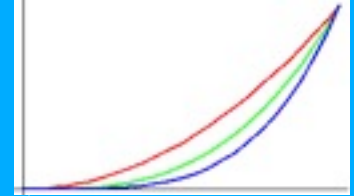


Small Determinant!

$$|H| = \prod \lambda_n$$

Proposed universal ensemble

Why are they sloppy?



Assumptions: (Not one experiment per parameter)

- i. Model predictions all depend on every parameter, *symmetrically*: $y_i(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3) = y_i(\theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_1)$
- ii. Parameters are nearly degenerate: $\theta_i = \theta_0 + \varepsilon_i$

$$H = J^T J = V^T A^T A V$$

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ \varepsilon_1 & \varepsilon_2 & \cdots & \varepsilon_N \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \varepsilon_1^d & \varepsilon_2^d & \cdots & \varepsilon_N^d \end{bmatrix}$$

Vandermonde
Matrix

$$\det(V) = \prod_{i < j} (\varepsilon_i - \varepsilon_j) \propto \varepsilon^{N(N-1)/2}$$

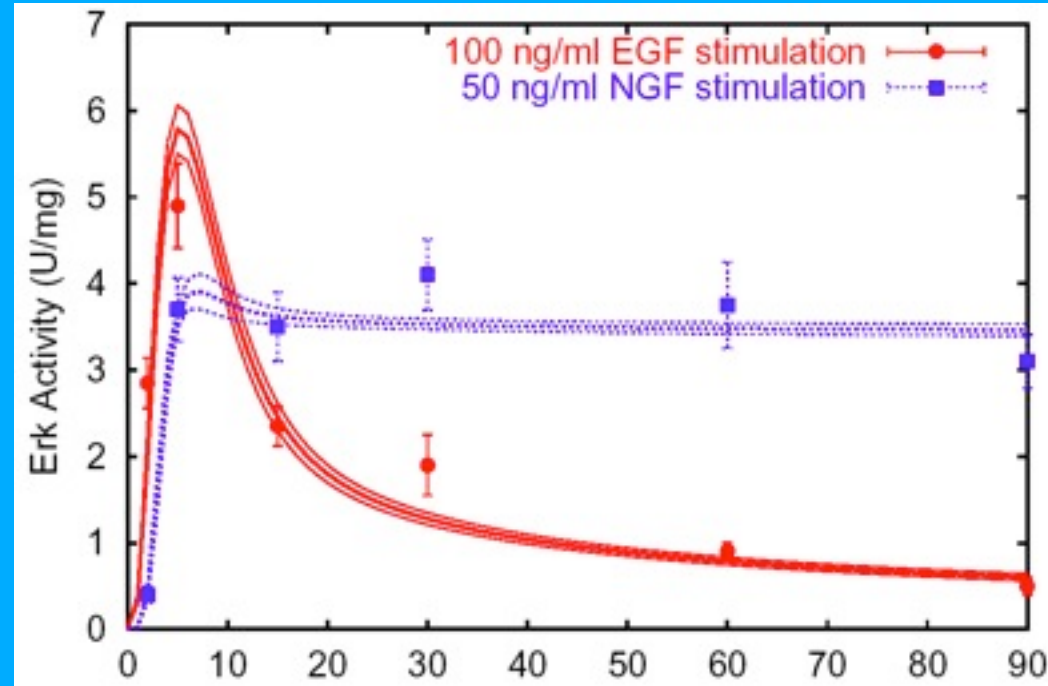
- Implies enormous range of eigenvalues
- Implies equal spacing of log eigenvalues
- Like universality for random matrices

48 Parameter "Fit" to Data

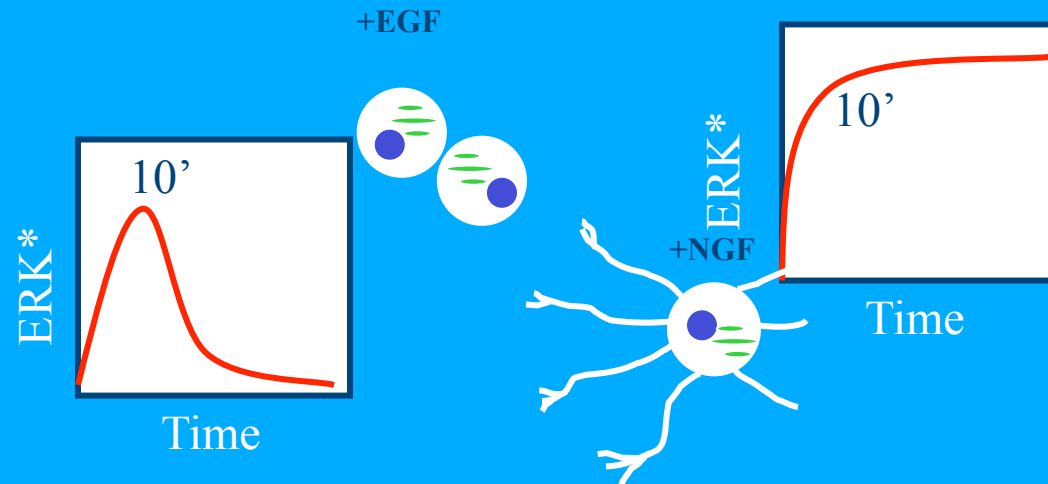
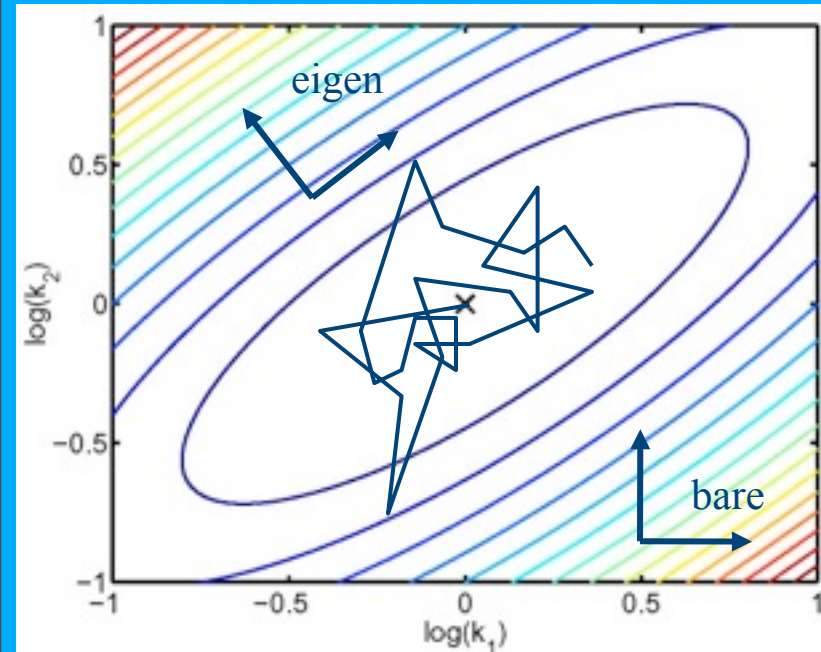
Cost is Energy

$$C(\vec{\theta}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N_D} \frac{(y(\vec{\theta}) - y_i)^2}{\sigma_i^2}$$

Ensemble of Fits
Gives Error Bars



Error Bars from Data Uncertainty



Exploring Parameter Space

Rugged? More like Grand Canyon (Josh)

Glasses: Rugged Landscape

Metastable Local Valleys

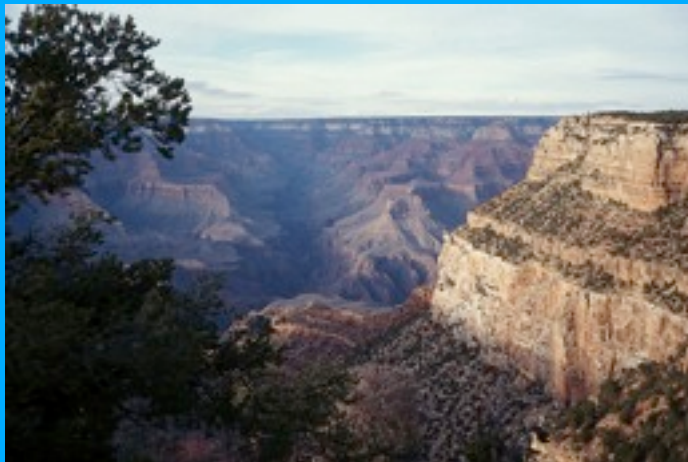
Transition State Passes

Optimization Hell: Golf Course

Sloppy Models

Minima: 5 stiff, N-5 sloppy

Search: Flat planes with cliffs



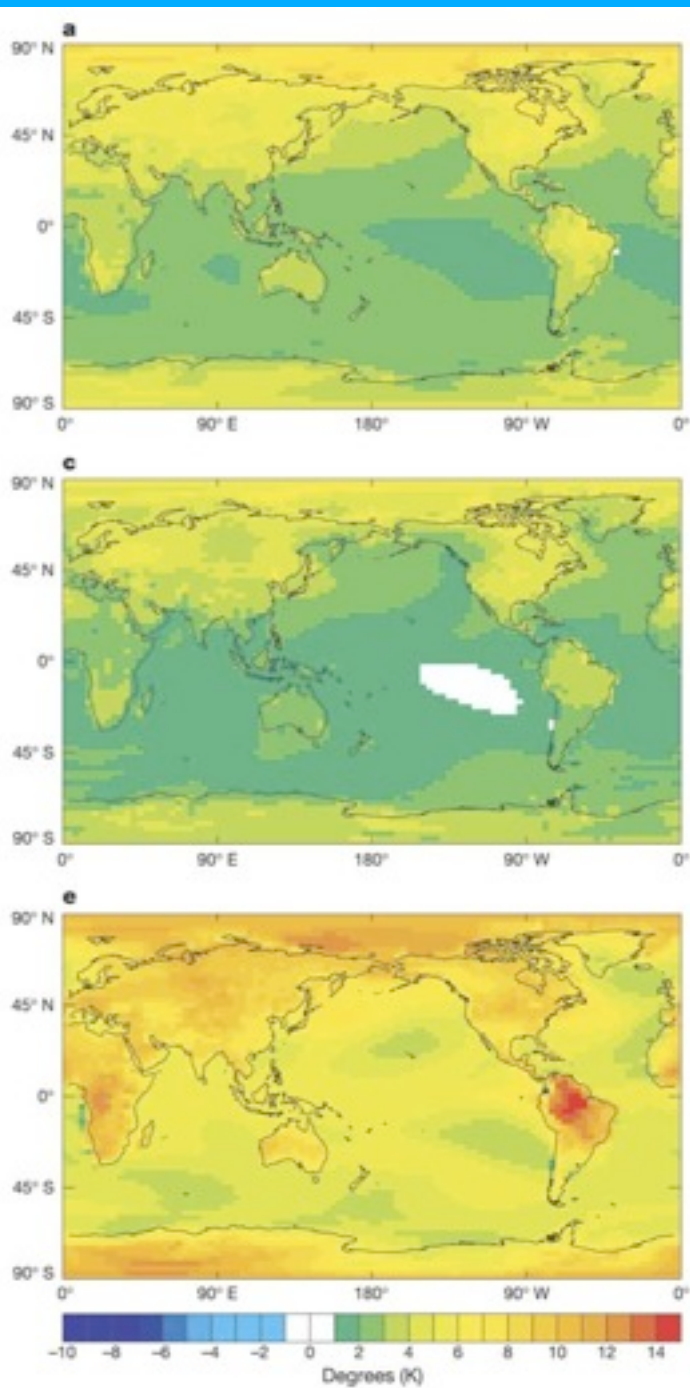
Climate Change

Climate models contain many unknown parameters, fit to data

- General Circulation Model (air, oceans, clouds), exploring doubling of CO₂
- 21 total parameters
- Initial conditions and (only) 6 “cloud dynamics” parameters varied
- Heating typically 3.4K, ranged from < 2K to > 11K

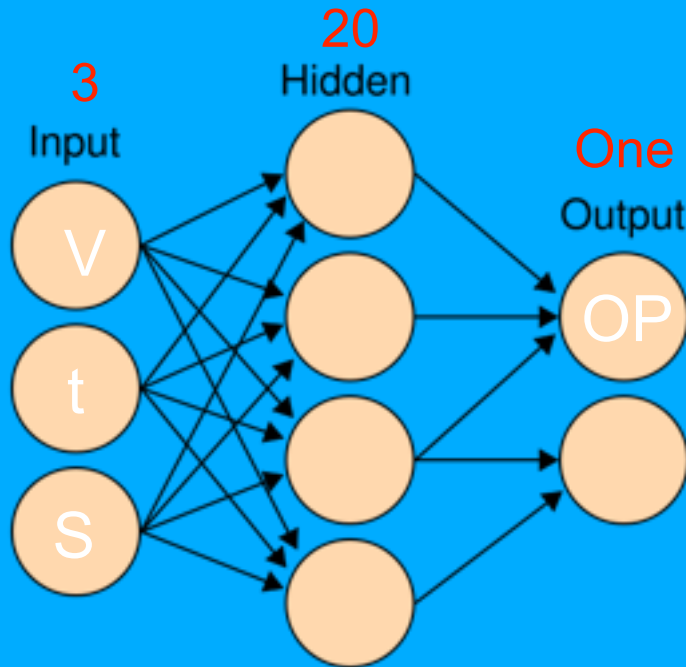
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Neural Networks

Mark Transtrum



V	t	S	OP
0.20	5.0	75.	25.0000
0.40	5.0	93.	7.2537
0.40	15.0	79.	21.0225
0.66	10.0	91.	10.3957

...

- Neural net “trained” to predict Black-Scholes output option price OP, given inputs volatility V, time t, and strike S
- Each circular “neuron” has sigmoidal response signal s_j to input signals s_i :

$$s_j = \tanh(\sum_i w_{ij} s_i)$$

- Inputs and outputs scaled to $[-1,1]$
- 101 parameters w_{ij} fit to 1530 data points

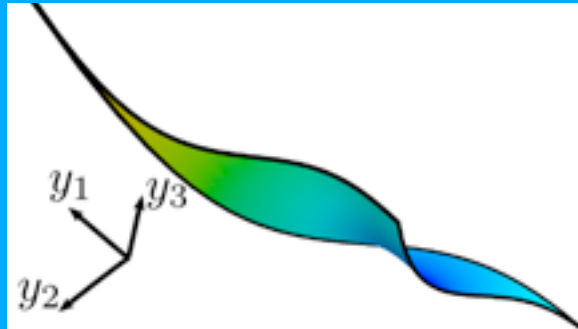
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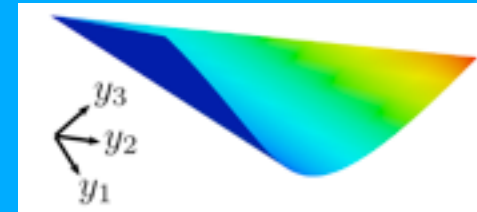
Curvatures

Intrinsic curvature $R^{\mu}_{\nu\alpha\beta}$

- determines geodesic shortest paths
- independent of embedding, parameters

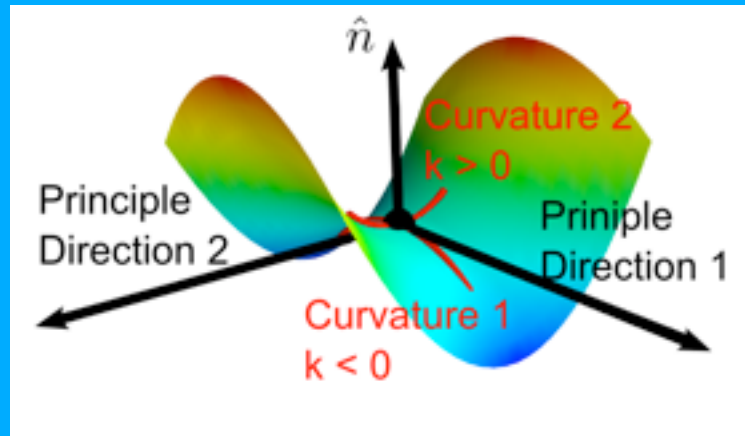


No intrinsic curvature



Extrinsic curvature

- also measures bending in embedding space (i.e., cylinder)
- independent of parameters
- Shape operator, geodesic curvature

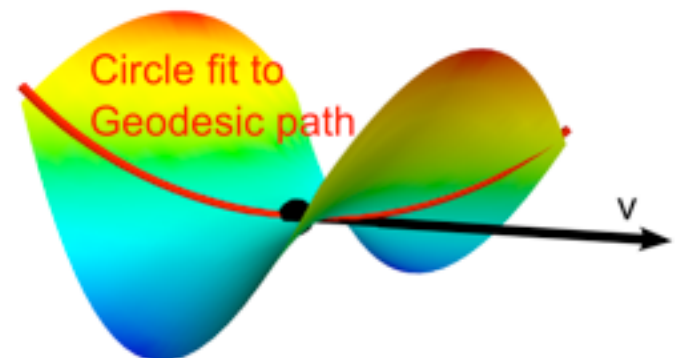


Shape Operator

Parameter effects “curvature”

- Usually much the largest
- Defined in analogy to extrinsic curvature (projecting out of surface, rather than into)

Geodesic Curvature



Why is it so thin?

Model $f(t, \theta)$ analytic:

$$f^{(n)}(t)/n! \leq R^{-n}$$

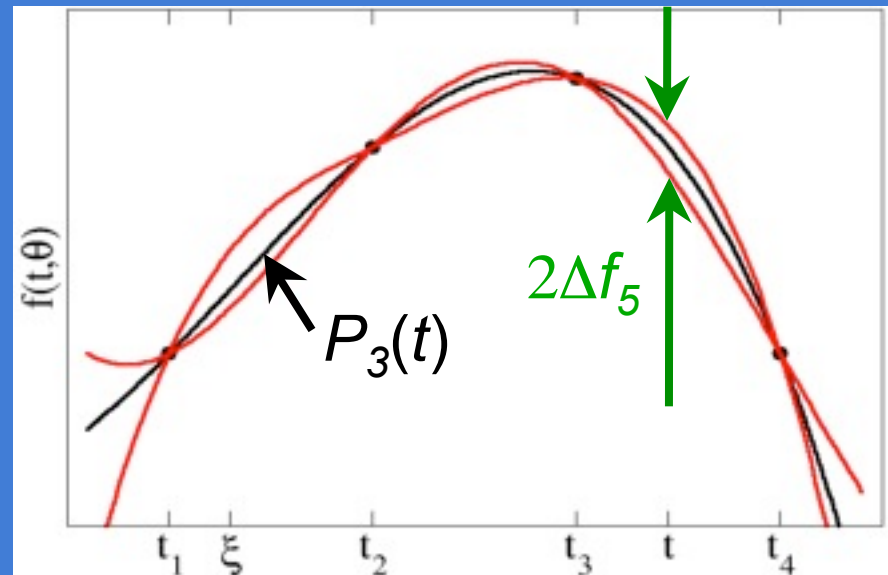
Polynomial fit $P_{m-1}(t)$

to $f(t_1), \dots, f(t_m)$

Interpolation convergence theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta f_{m+1} &= f(t) - P_{m-1}(t) \\ &< (t-t_1) \dots (t-t_m) f^{(m)}(\xi) / m! \\ &\sim (\Delta t / R)^m \end{aligned}$$

More than one data per R



Hyper-ribbon: Cross-section constraining m points has width $W_{m+1} \sim \Delta f_{m+1} \sim (\Delta t/R)^m$

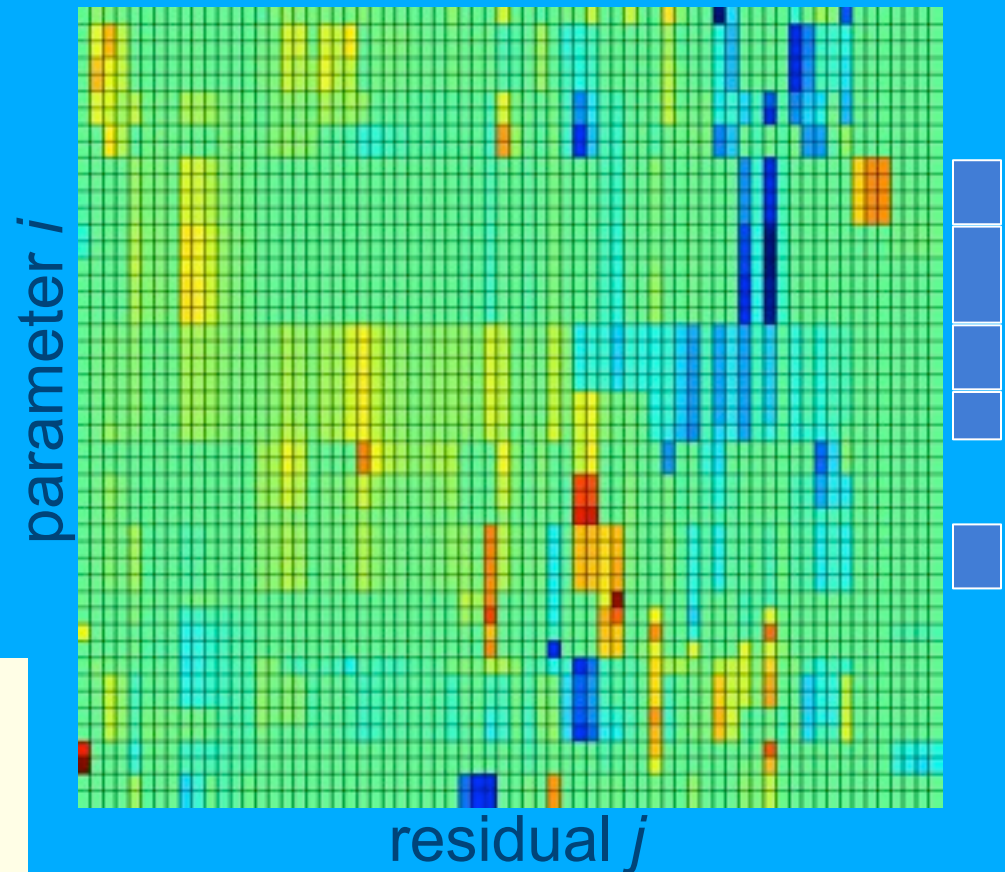
B. Finding sloppy subsystems

Model reduction?

- Sloppy model as multiple redundant parameters?
- Subsystem = subspace of parameters p_i with similar effects on model behavior
- Similar = same effects on residuals r_j
- Apply clustering algorithm to rows of $J_{ij}^T = \partial r_j / \partial p_i$

Continuum mechanics, renormalization group, Lyapunov exponents can also be viewed as sloppy model reduction

PC12 differentiation model



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