



Surrogate minimisation in high dimensions

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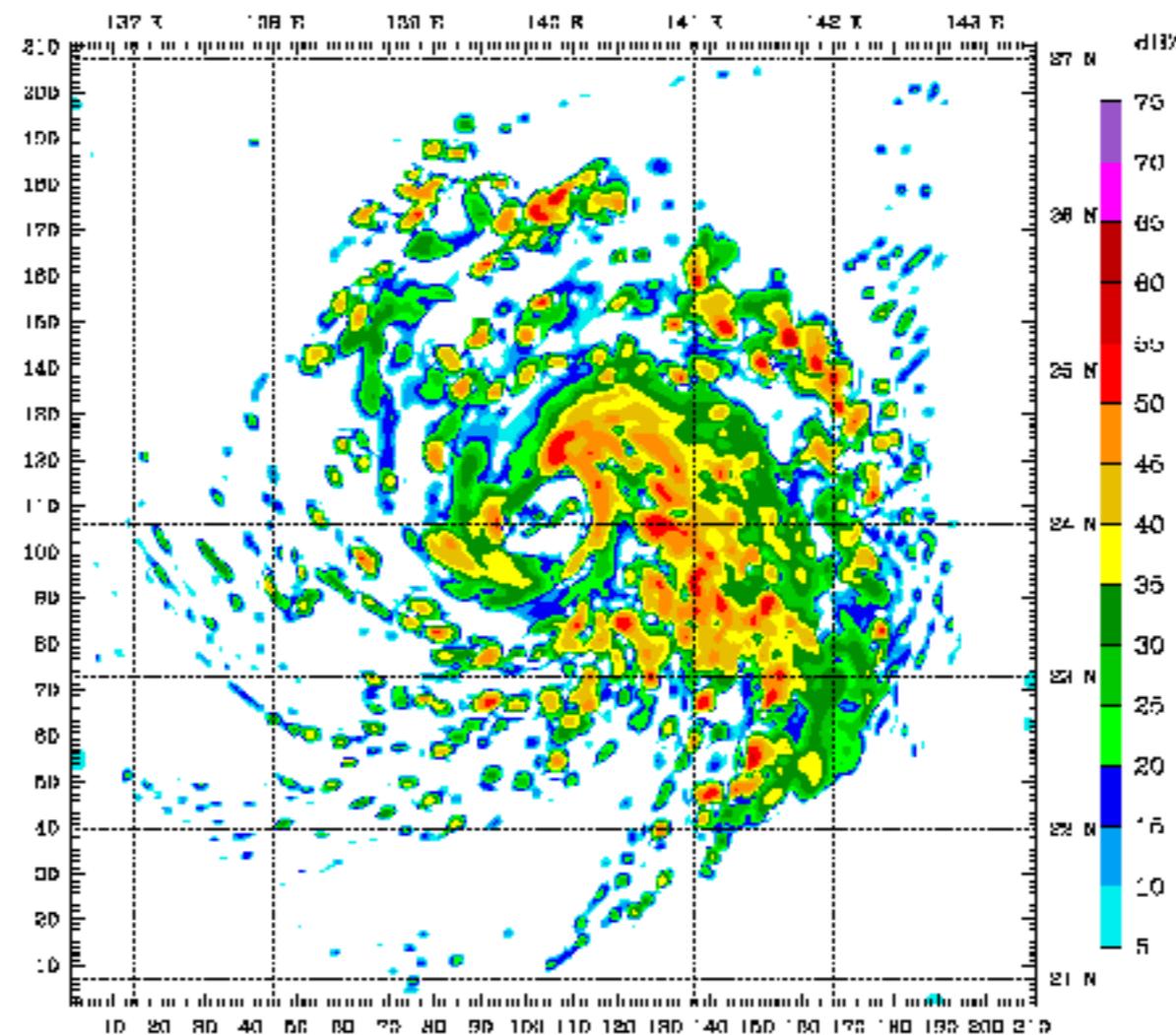
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 - Performance enhancement of optimisation schemes
- ❖ Global optimisation as a Bayesian decision problem
 - Two connected statistical layers
- ❖ Surrogates basic principles
- ❖ Application of Kriging Surrogate within NIFTY (Selig, M. et al., 2013, A&A, 554, 26) framework

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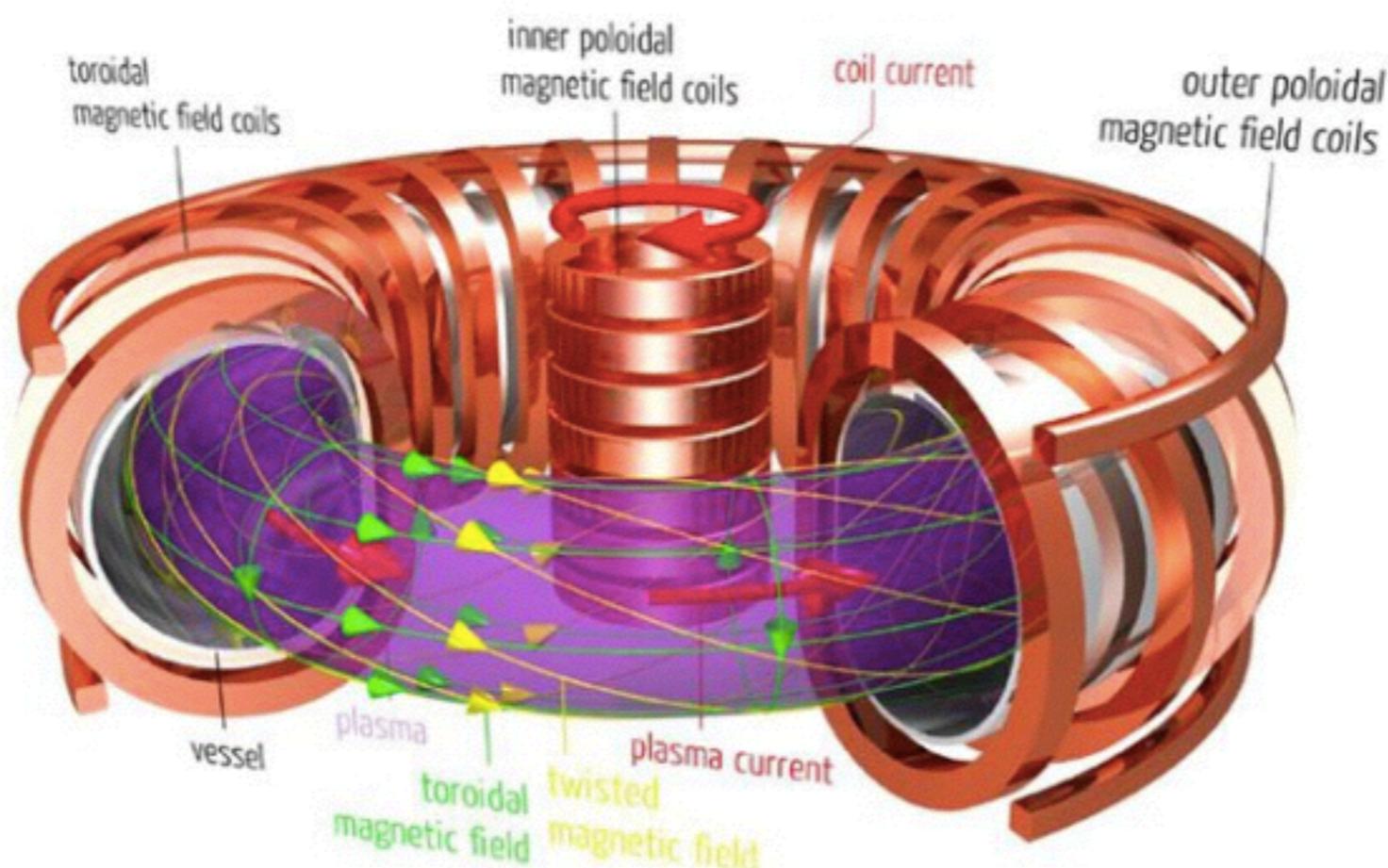
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A 48-hour computer simulation of [Typhoon Mawar](#) using the [Weather Research and Forecasting](#) model
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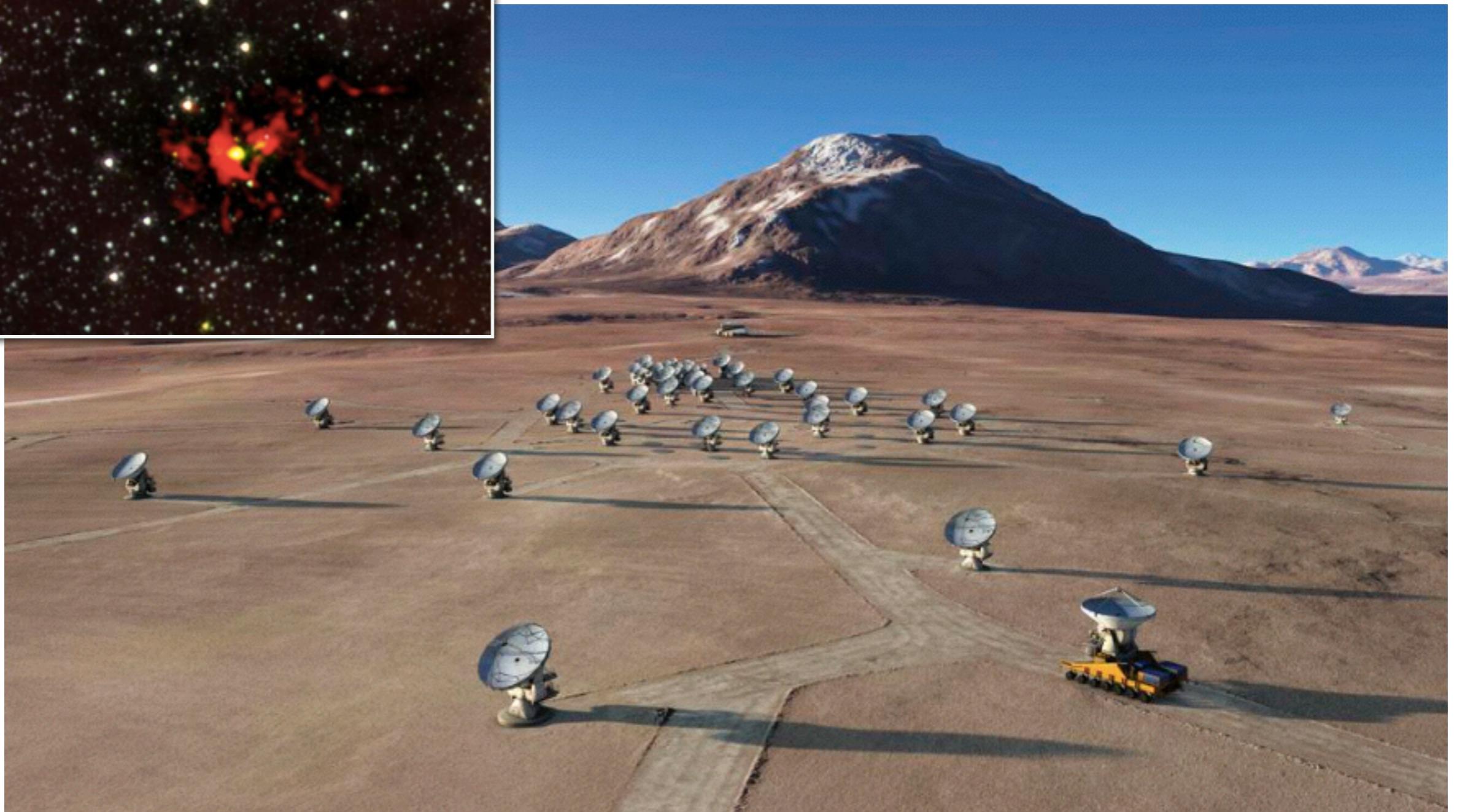
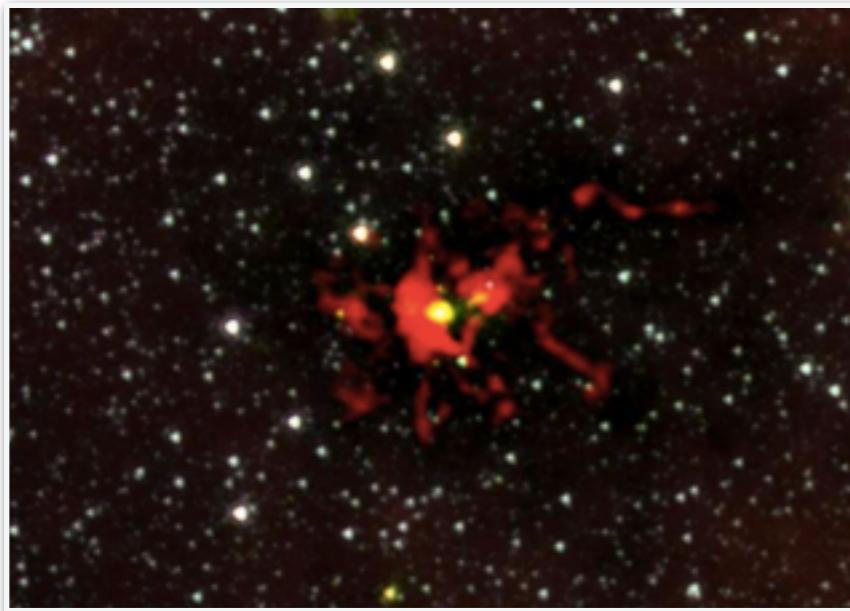
Schematic of the average tokamak. Notice how it has fewer layers than the stellarator and the shape of the magnetic coils is different. Credit: Uploaded by Matthias W Hirsch on Wikipedia

See, e.g., Cox D.D, Park J.S., Singer C.E. (2001)
Preuss, R. & von Toussaint, U. (2016)

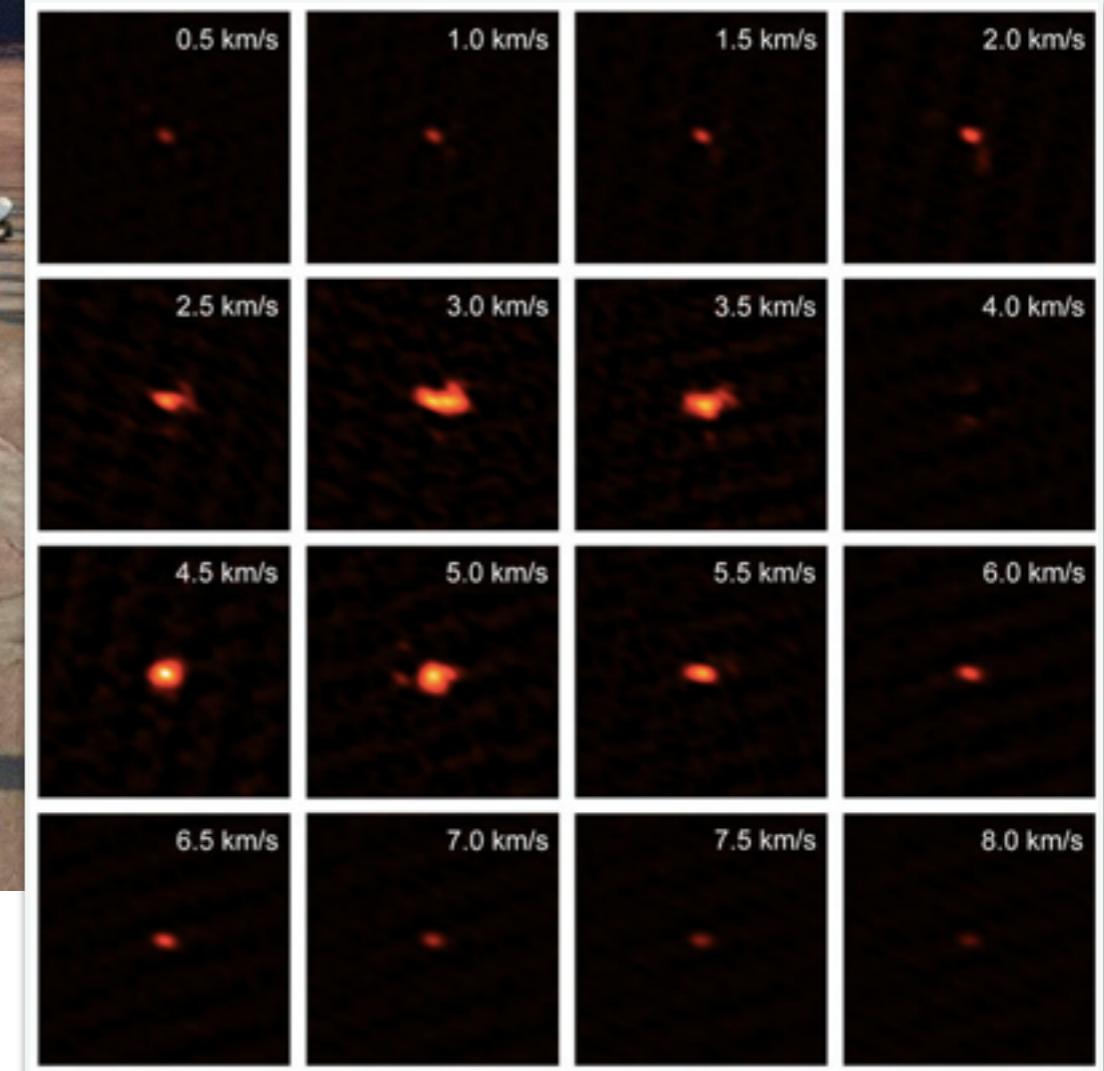
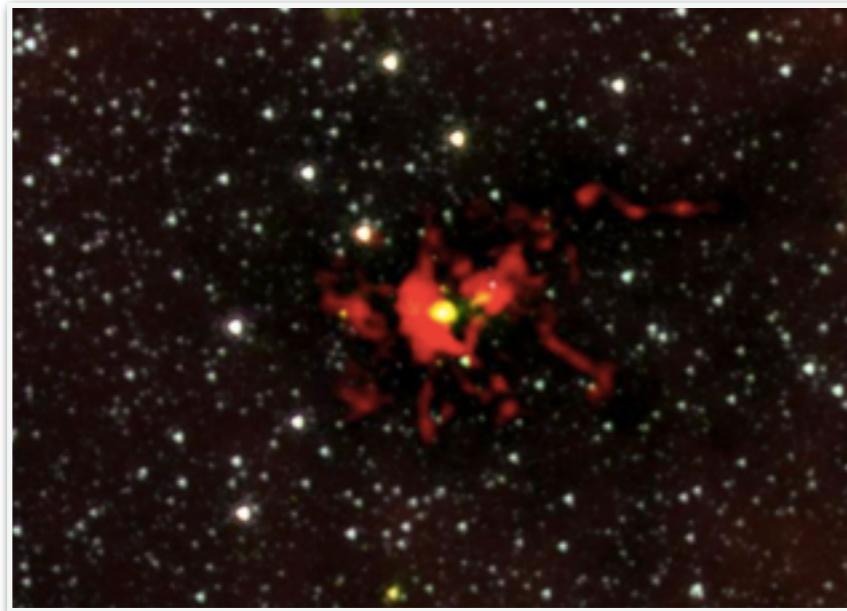
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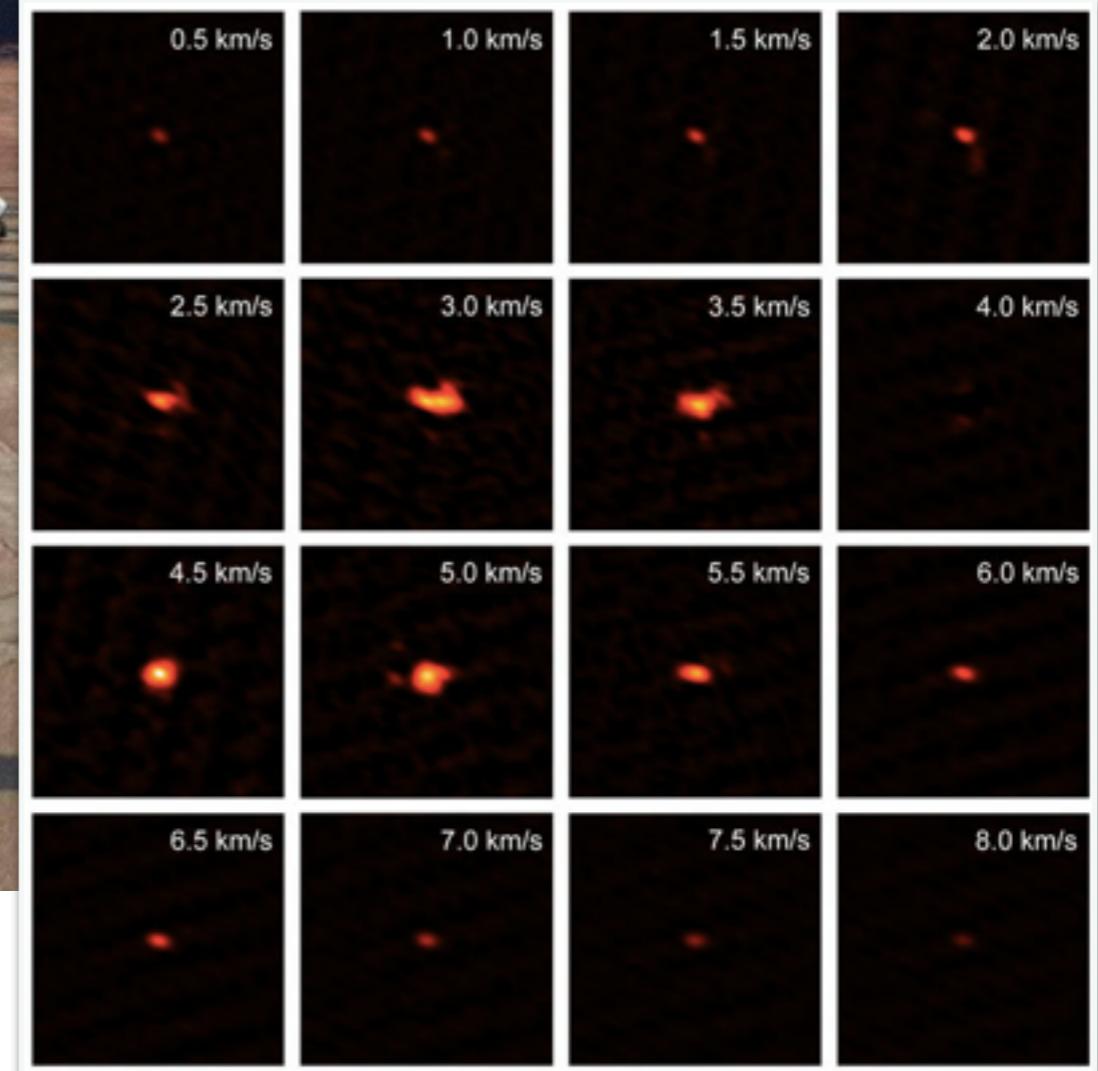
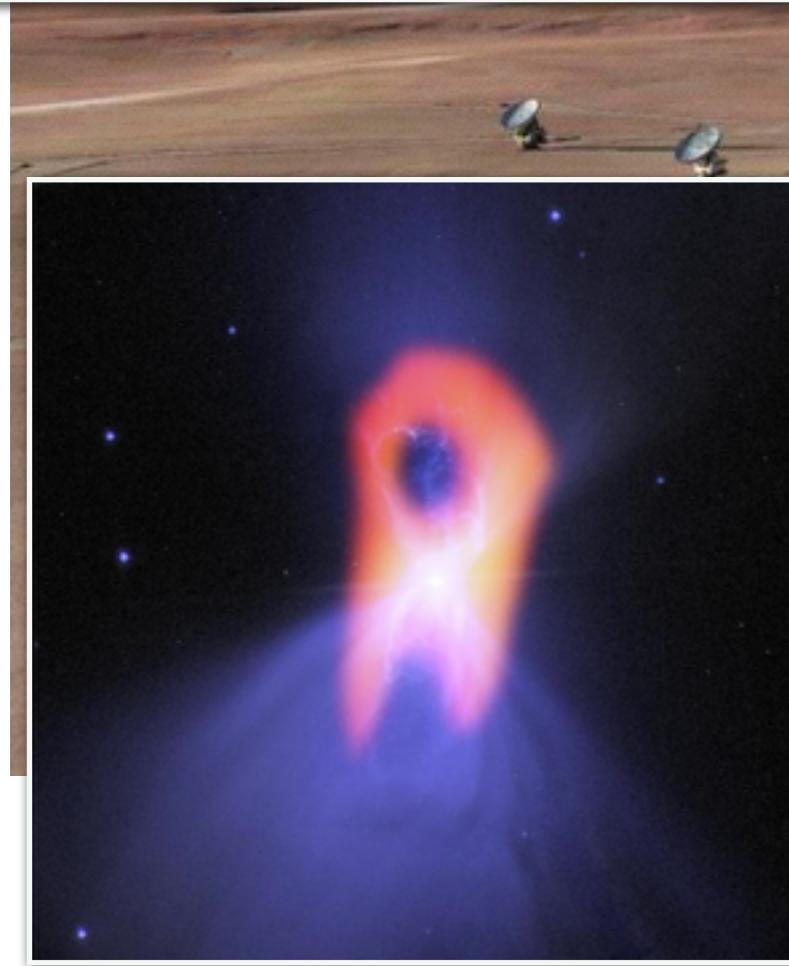
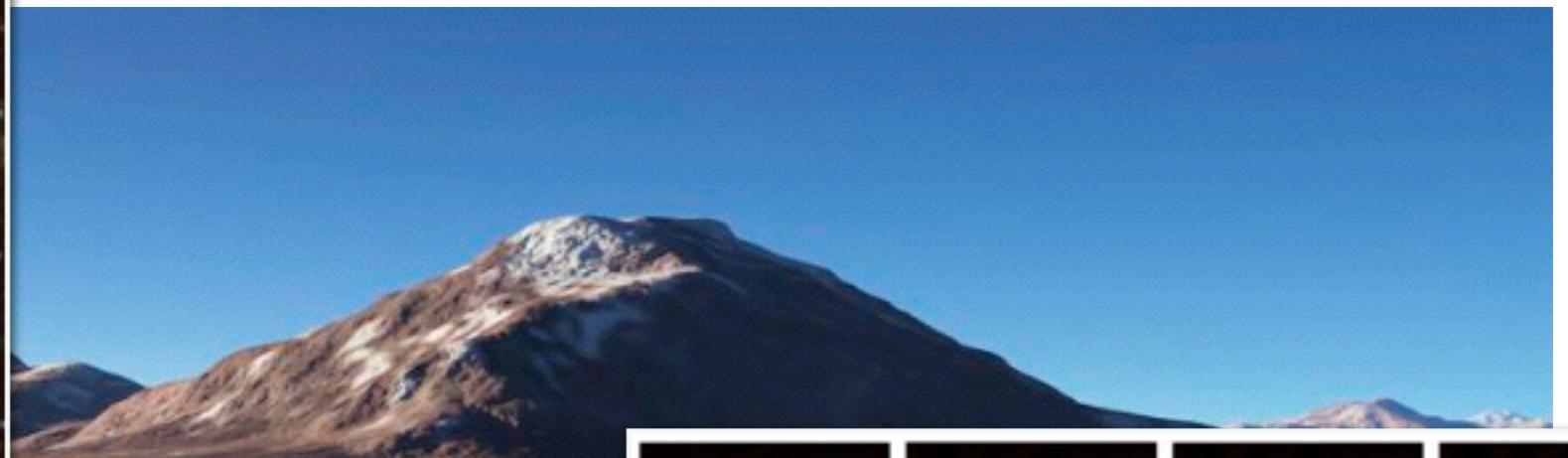
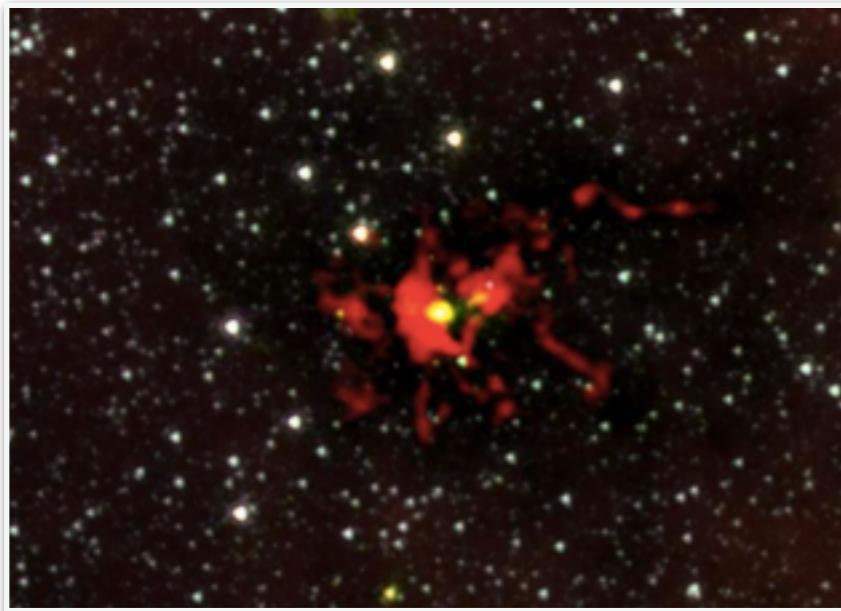
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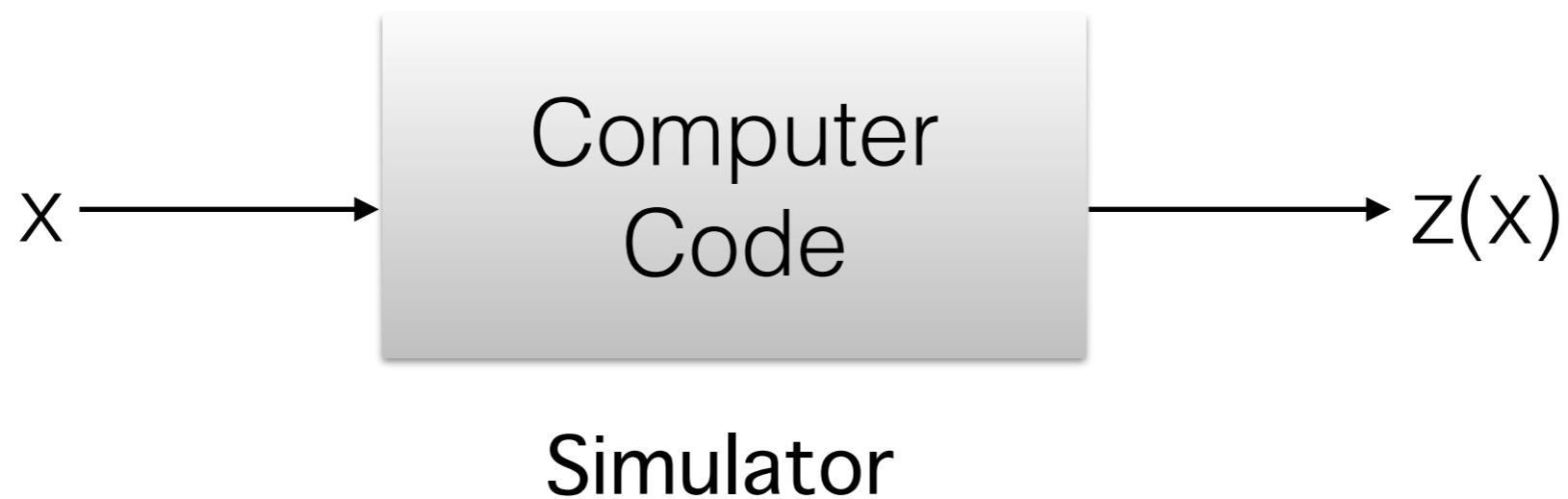


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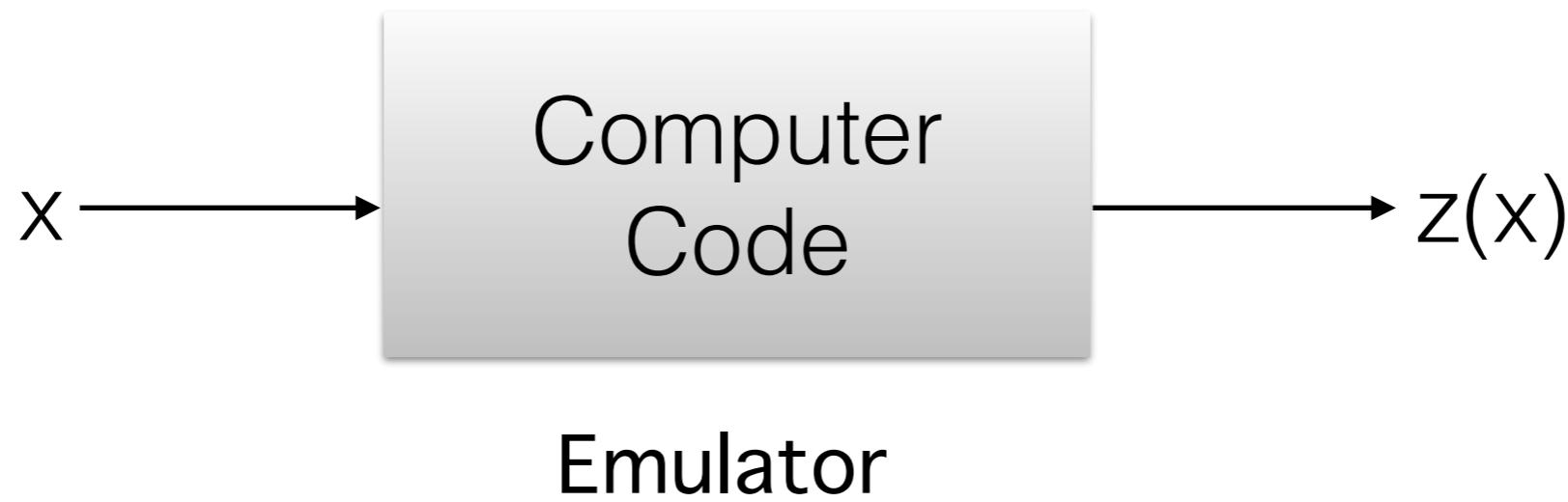


Simulator
Minimisation of Complex Objective function. For reasonable data size, current estimation techniques:

- SLOW if full objective function is accounted*
- FAST if do not account for full objective function*

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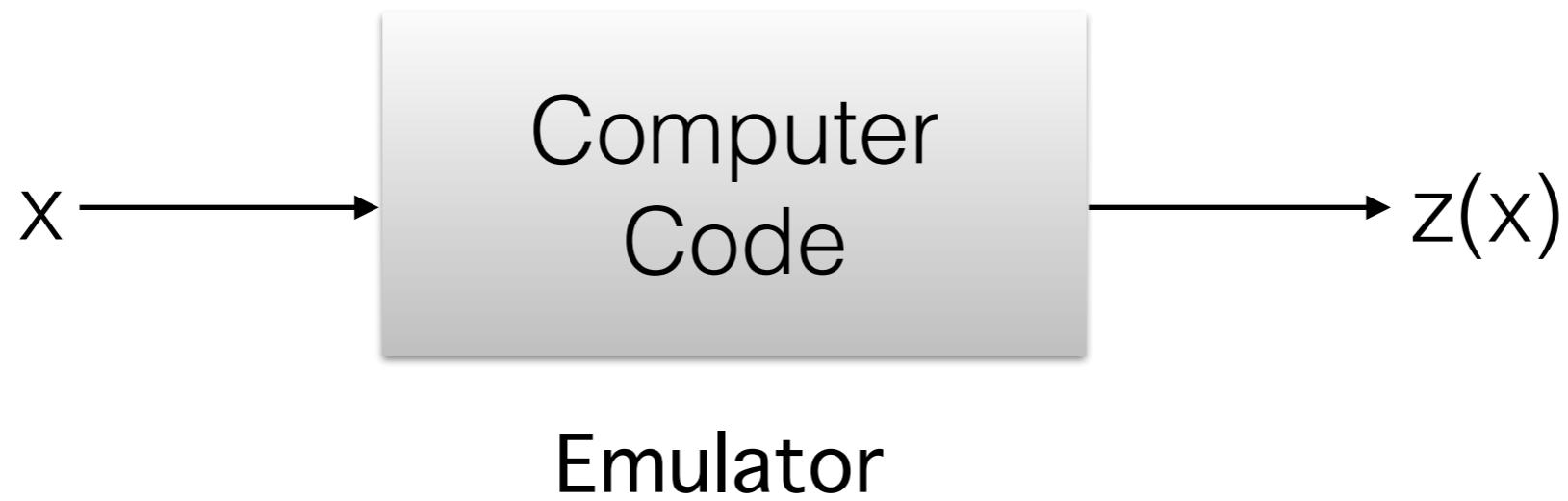
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- statistical representation of x
- expresses knowledge about $z(x)$ at any given x
- built using prior information and training set of model runs

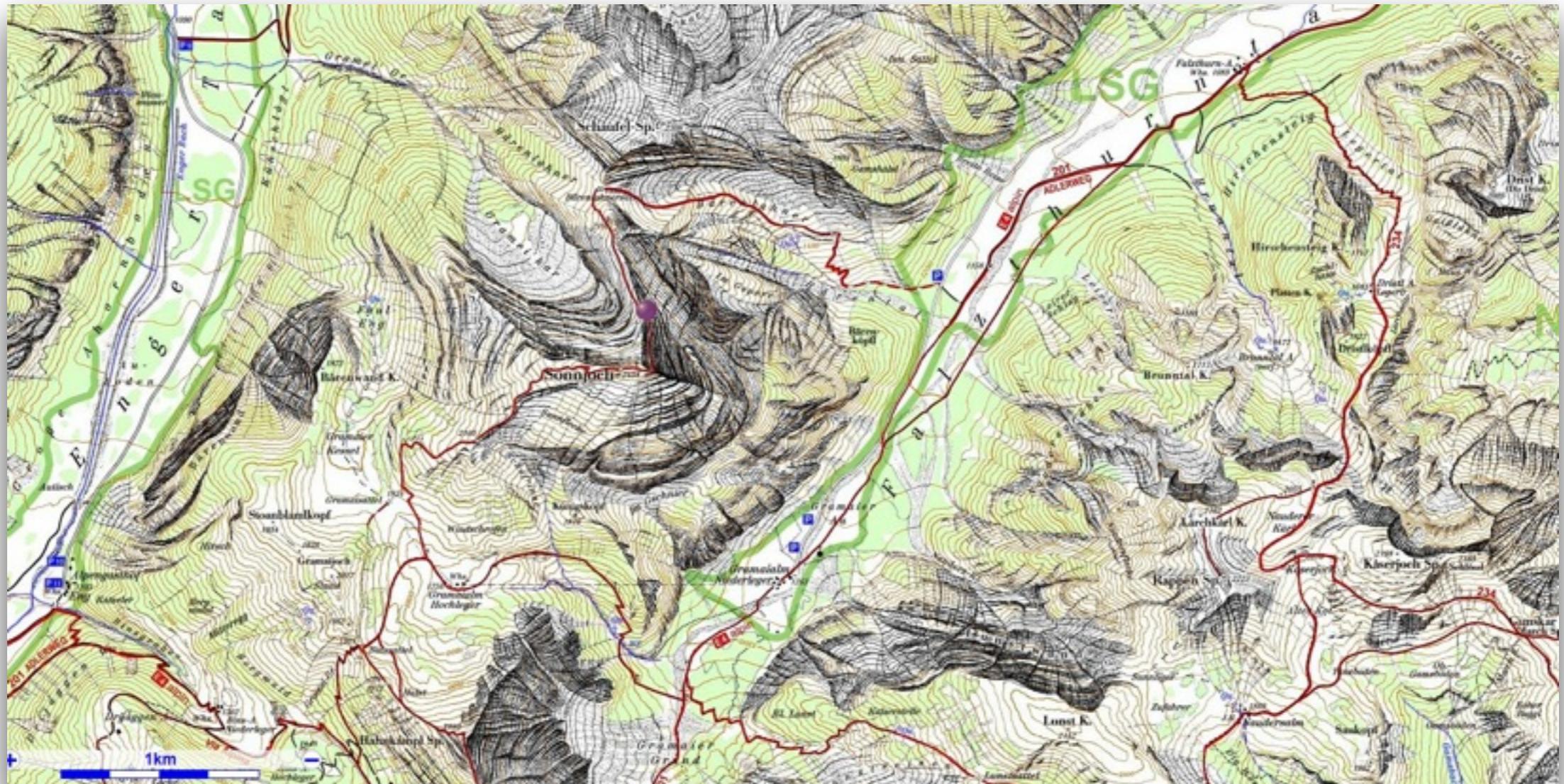
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Kriging surrogate sampler is used to emulate the original Complex Objective function

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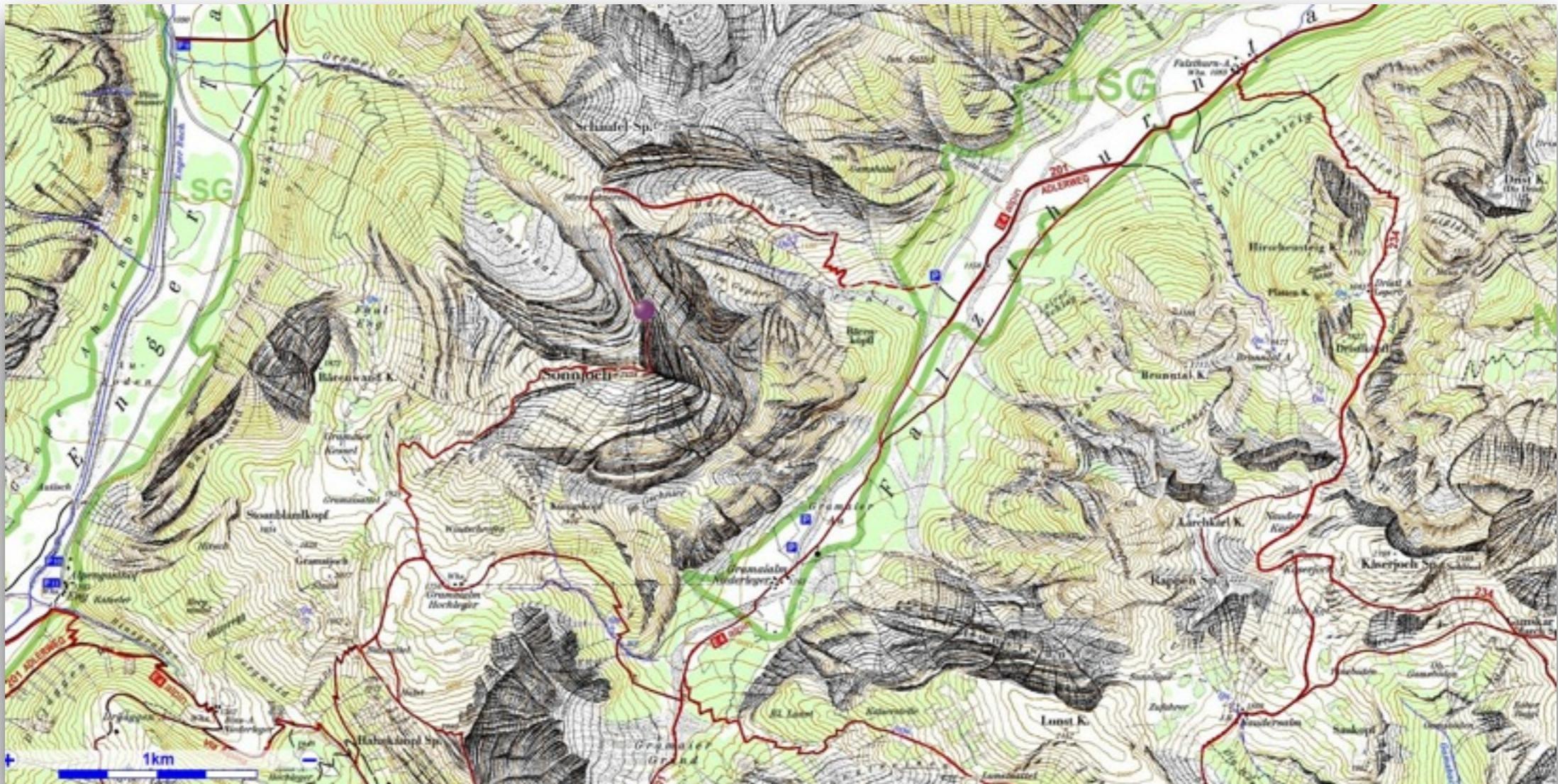


Surrogates (or metamodels, emulators, ...)



- A map is a surrogate that predicts terrain elevation
- Prediction of the map allows one to locate the summit without climbing it
- Searching for the highest peak is a form of global optimisation

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... in the same fashion we can use metamodels to find the optimal signal configuration

Bayesian inference, parametric model

- ❖ Data: \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}
- ❖ Model: $y = f_k(x) + \epsilon$

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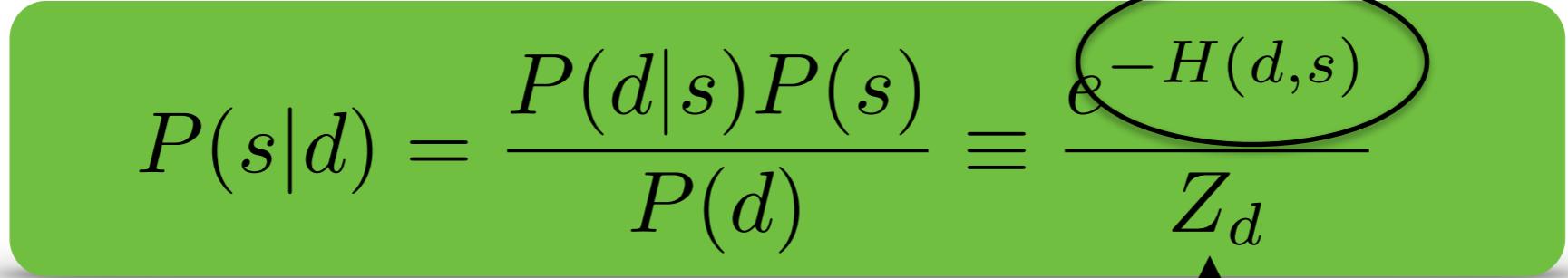
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$$d = (d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n)^T \quad n \in \mathbb{N} \quad \text{finite dataset}$$

IFT exploits known or inferred correlation structures of the field of interest $s = s(x)$ over some domain $\Omega = \{x\}$ to regularise the ill-posed inverse problem of determining an ∞ number of dof from a finite dataset

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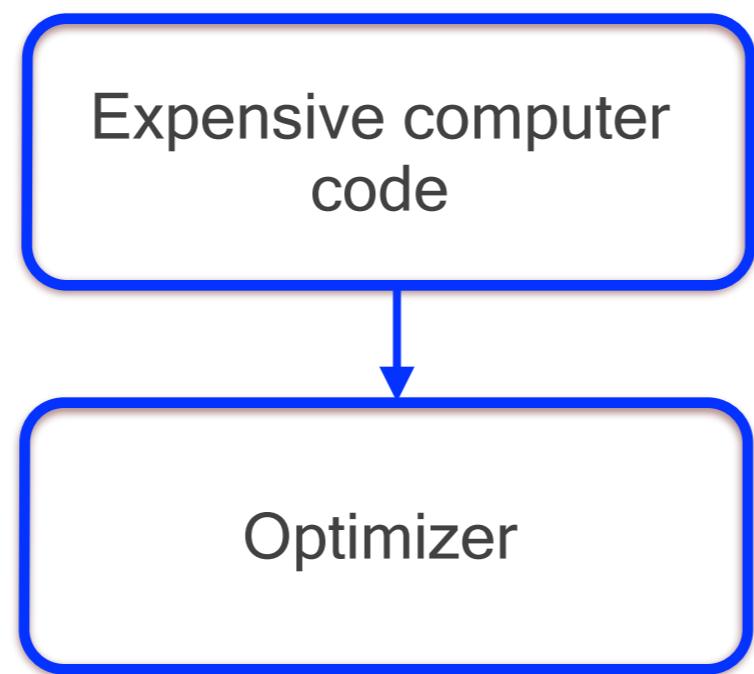
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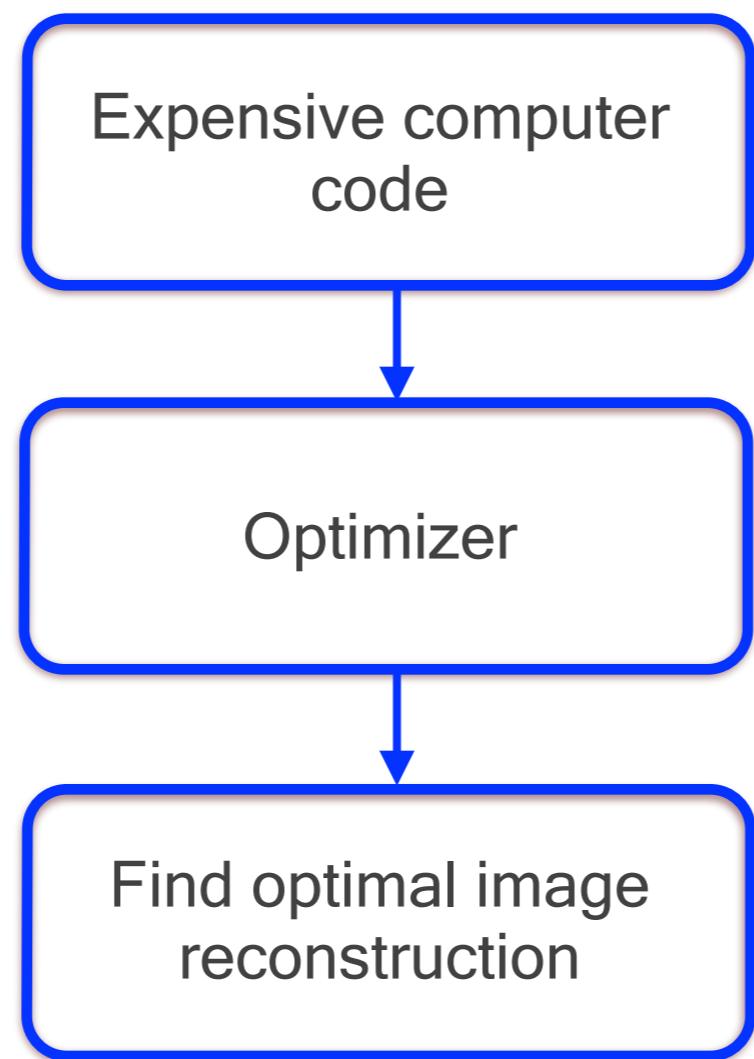
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Expensive computer
code

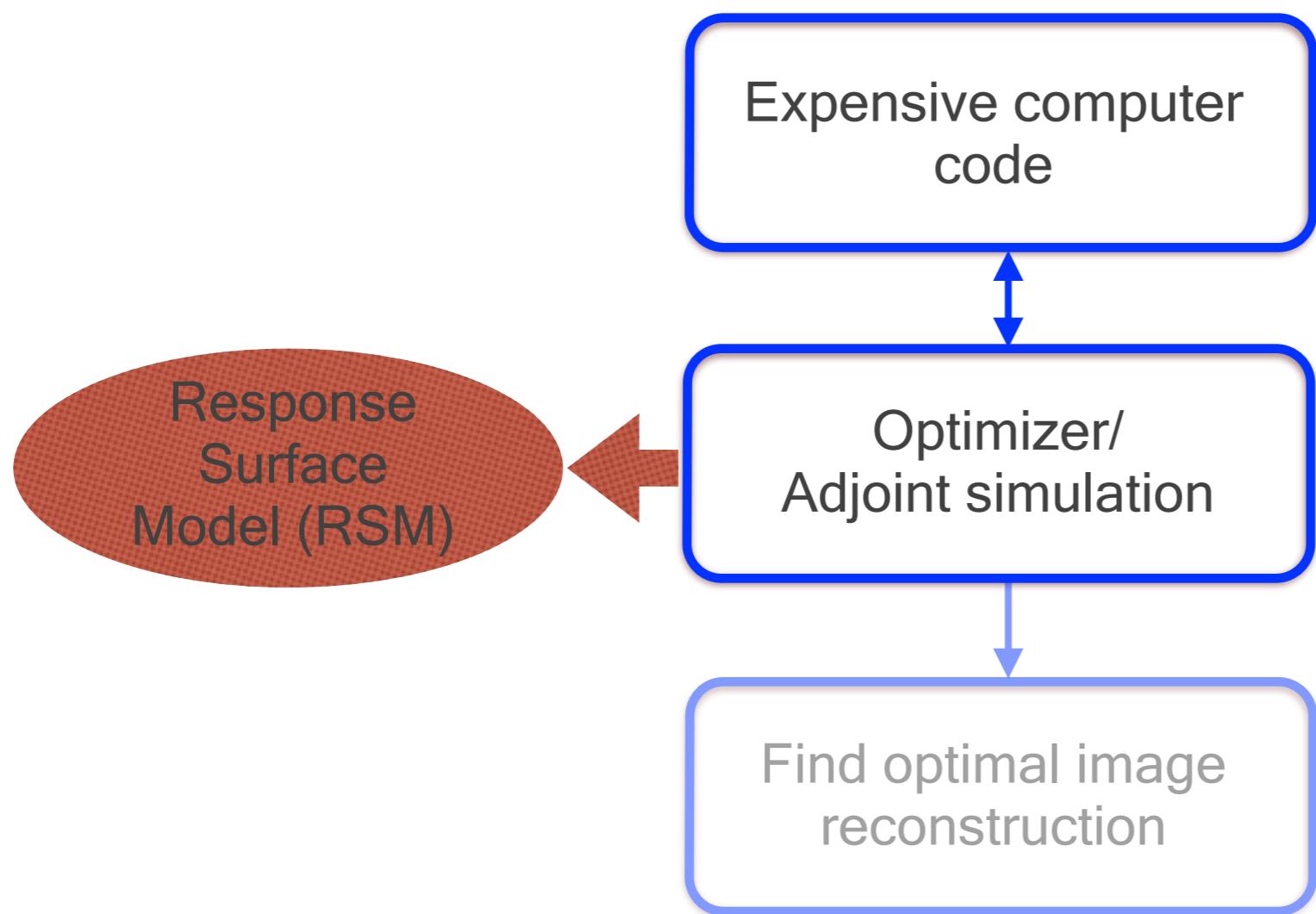
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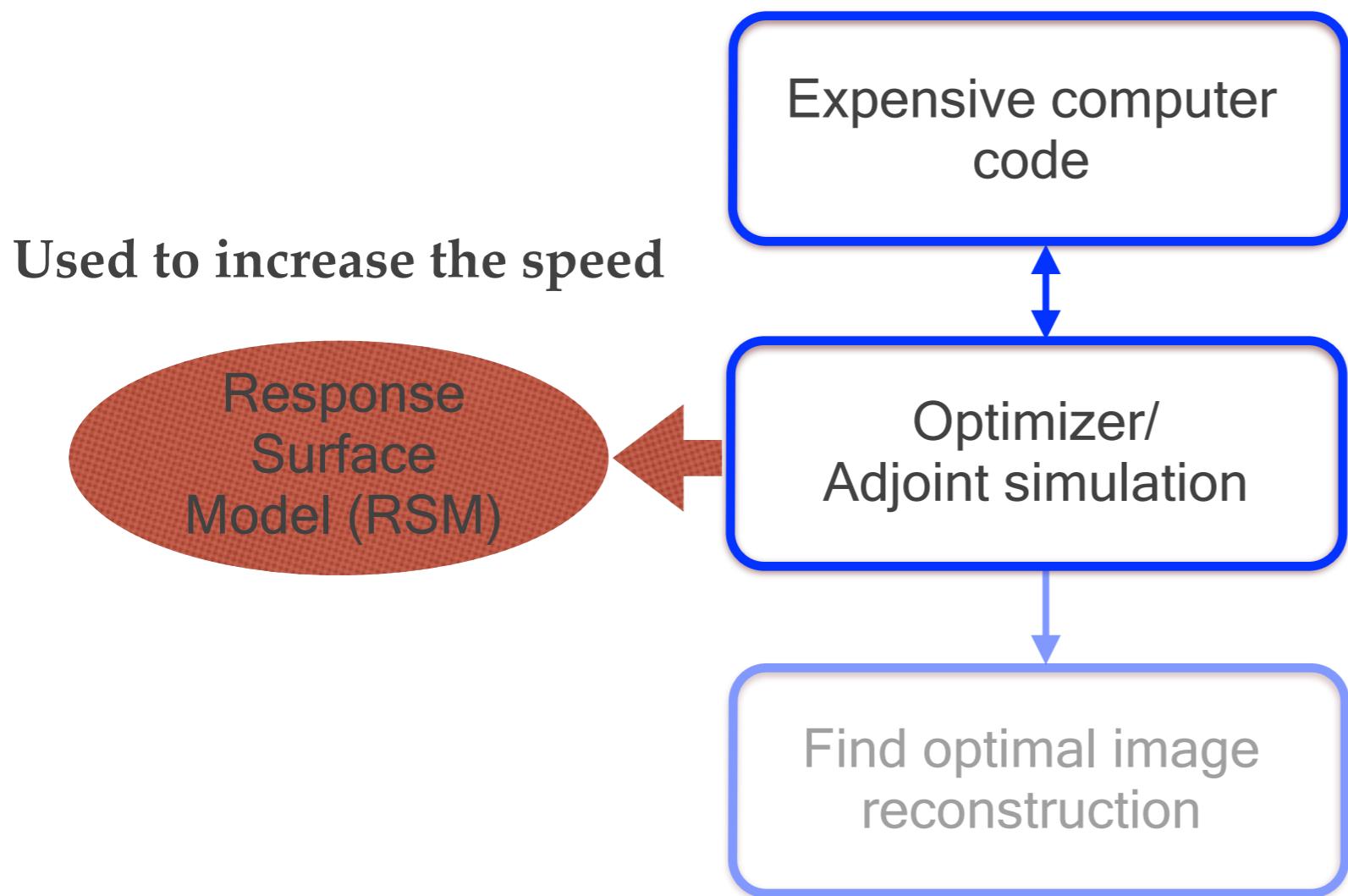
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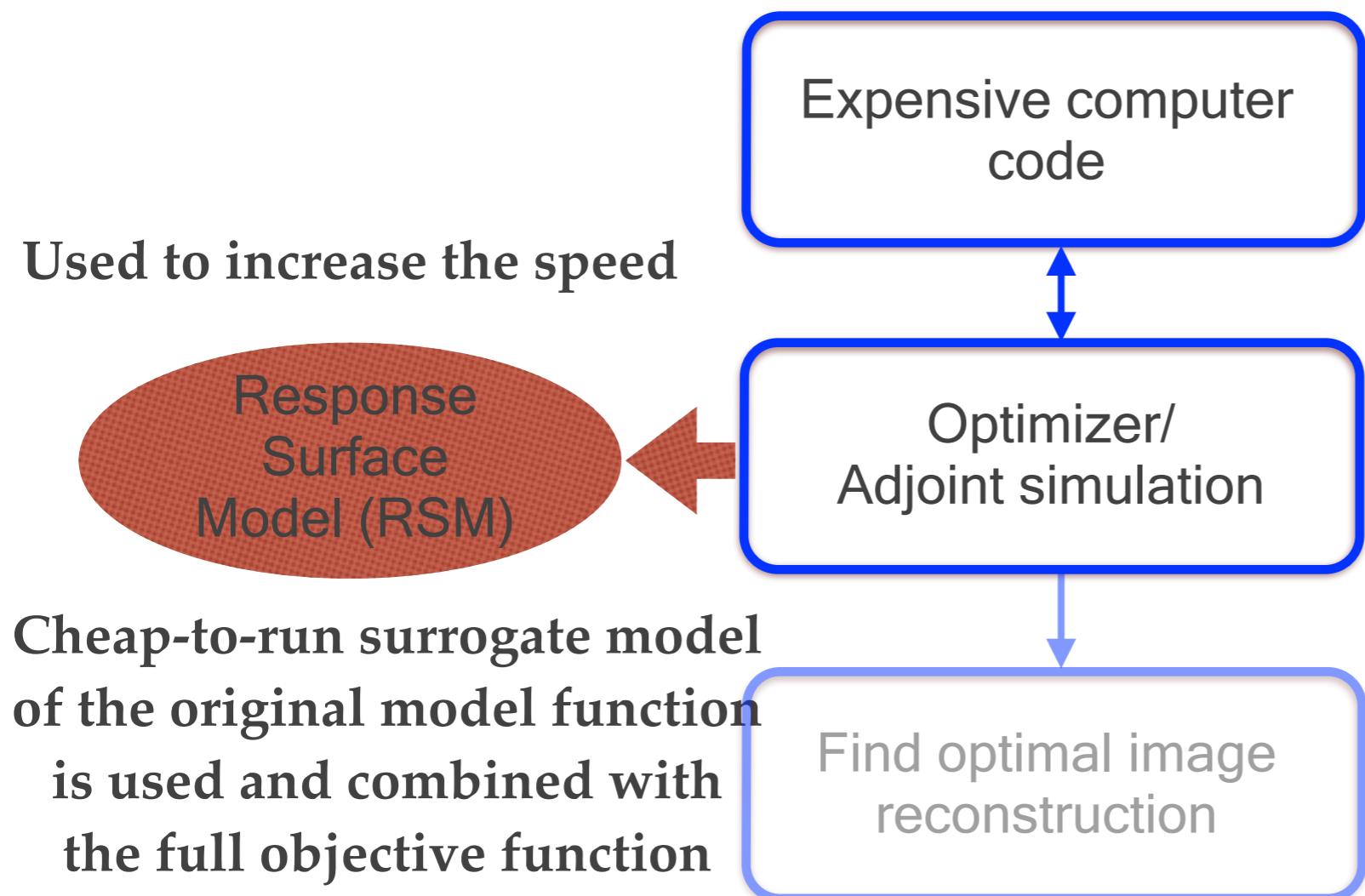
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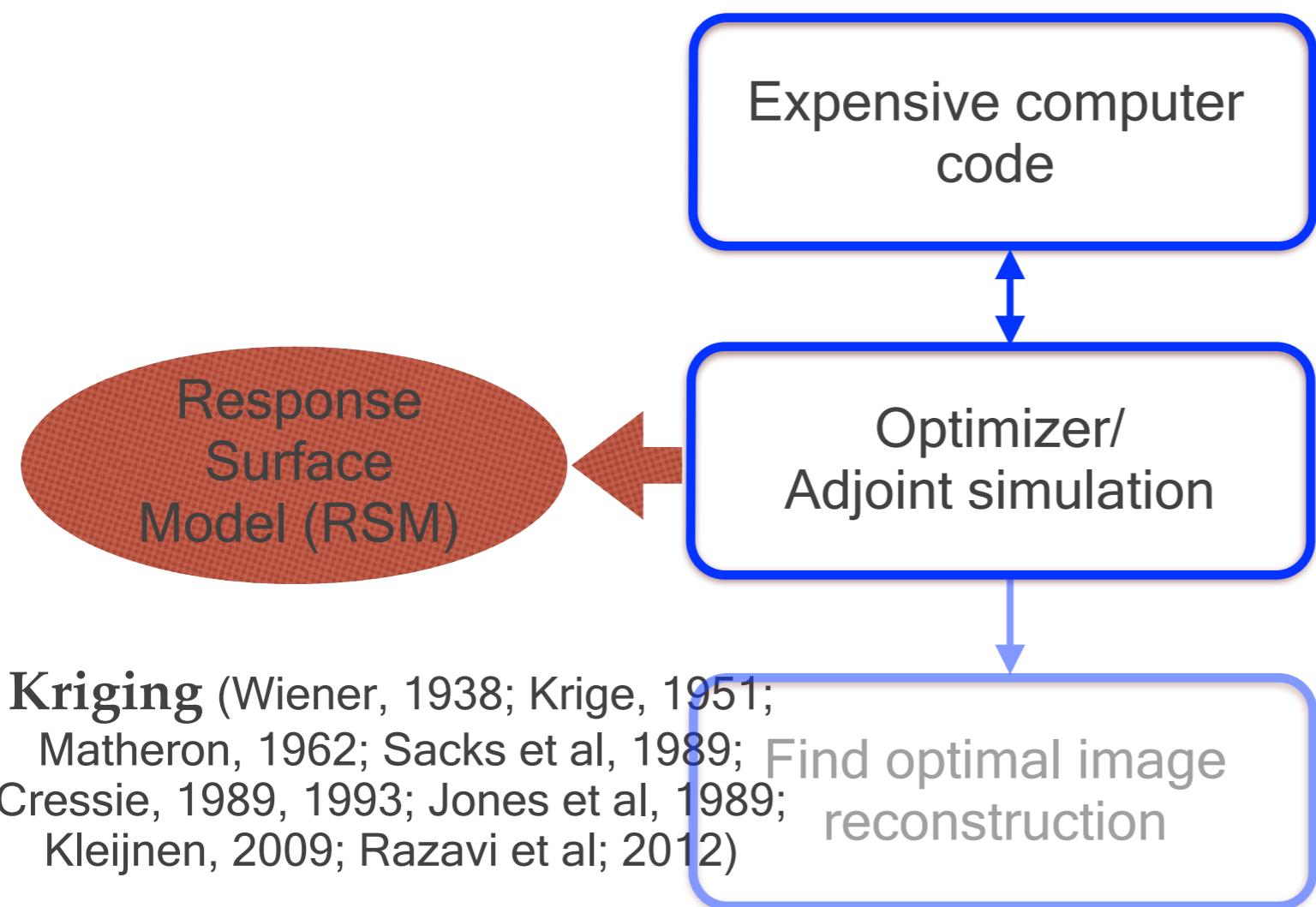


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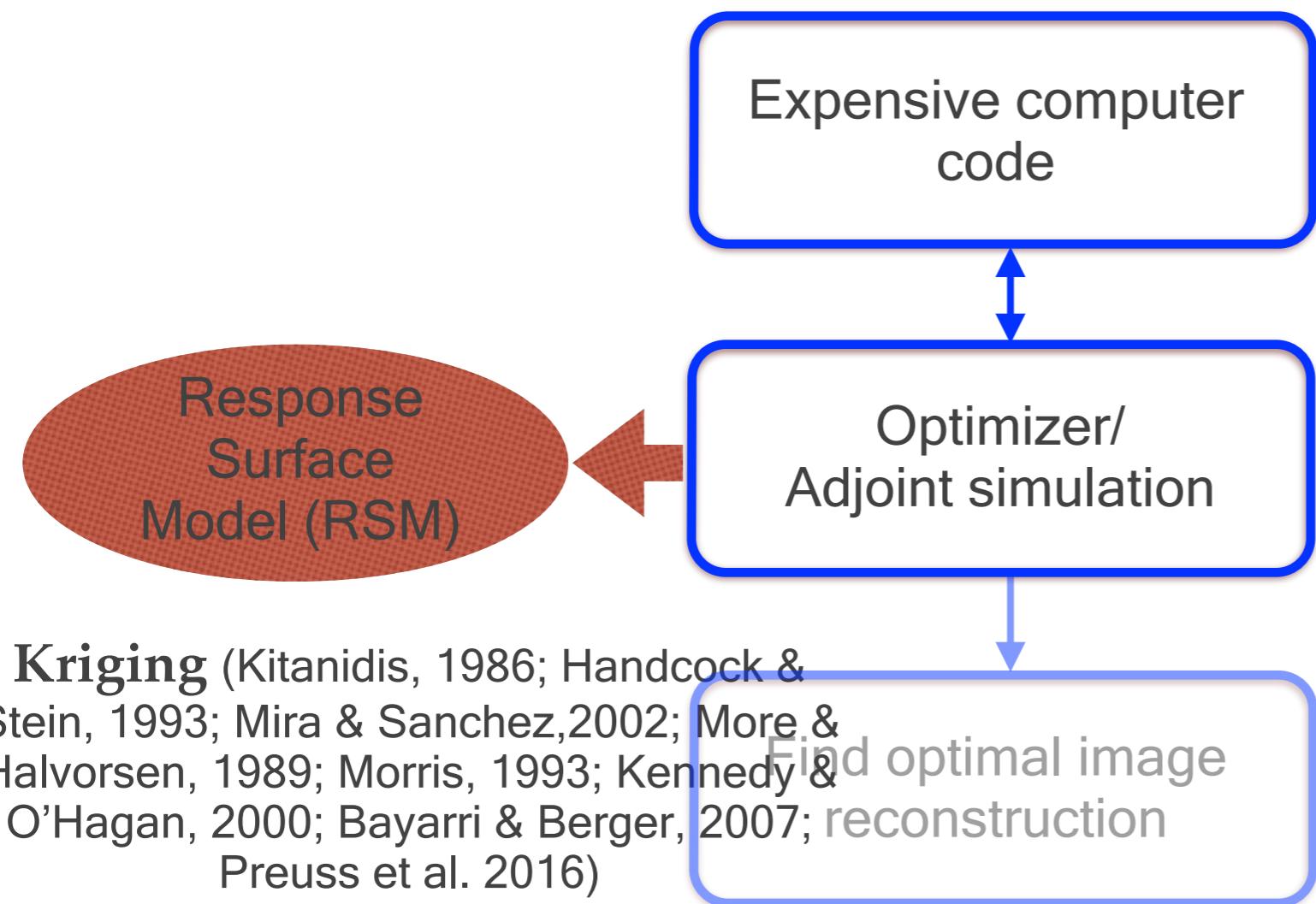


(same model is used throughout the optimisation process)

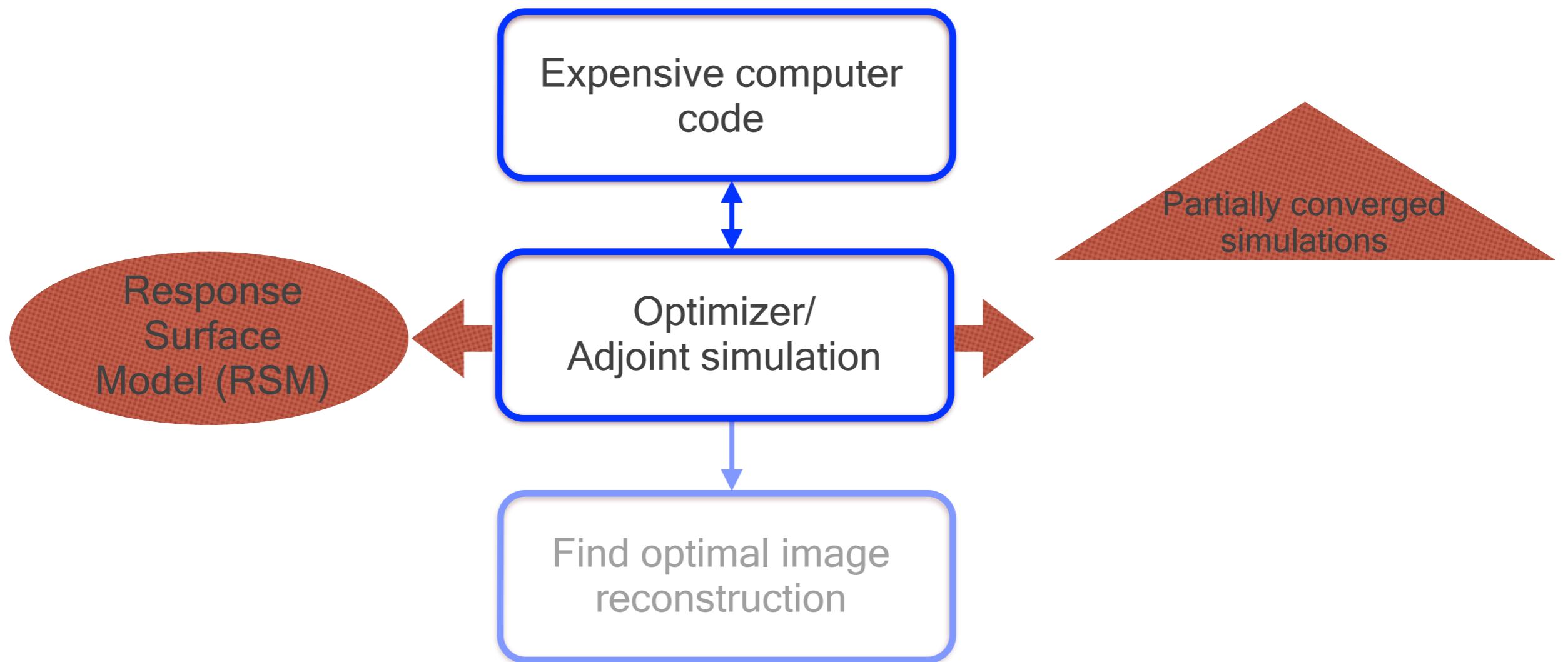
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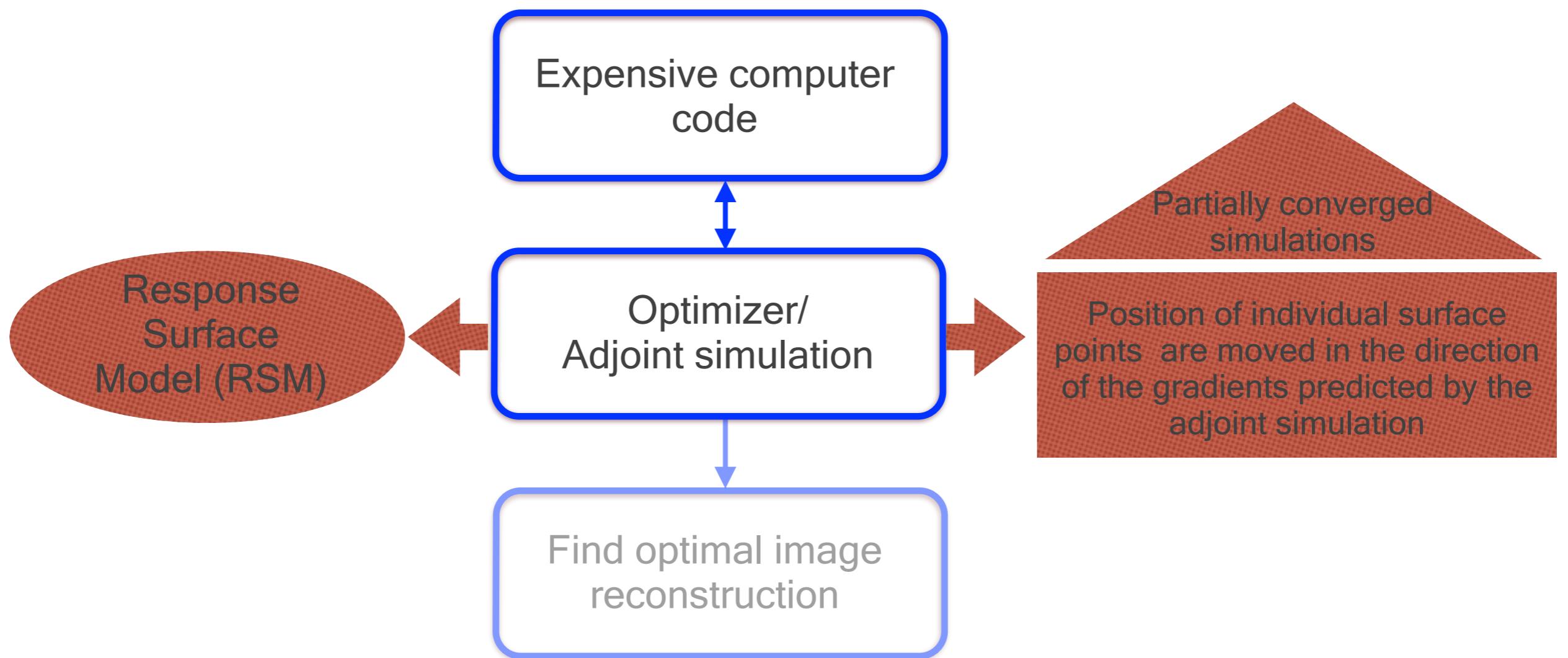
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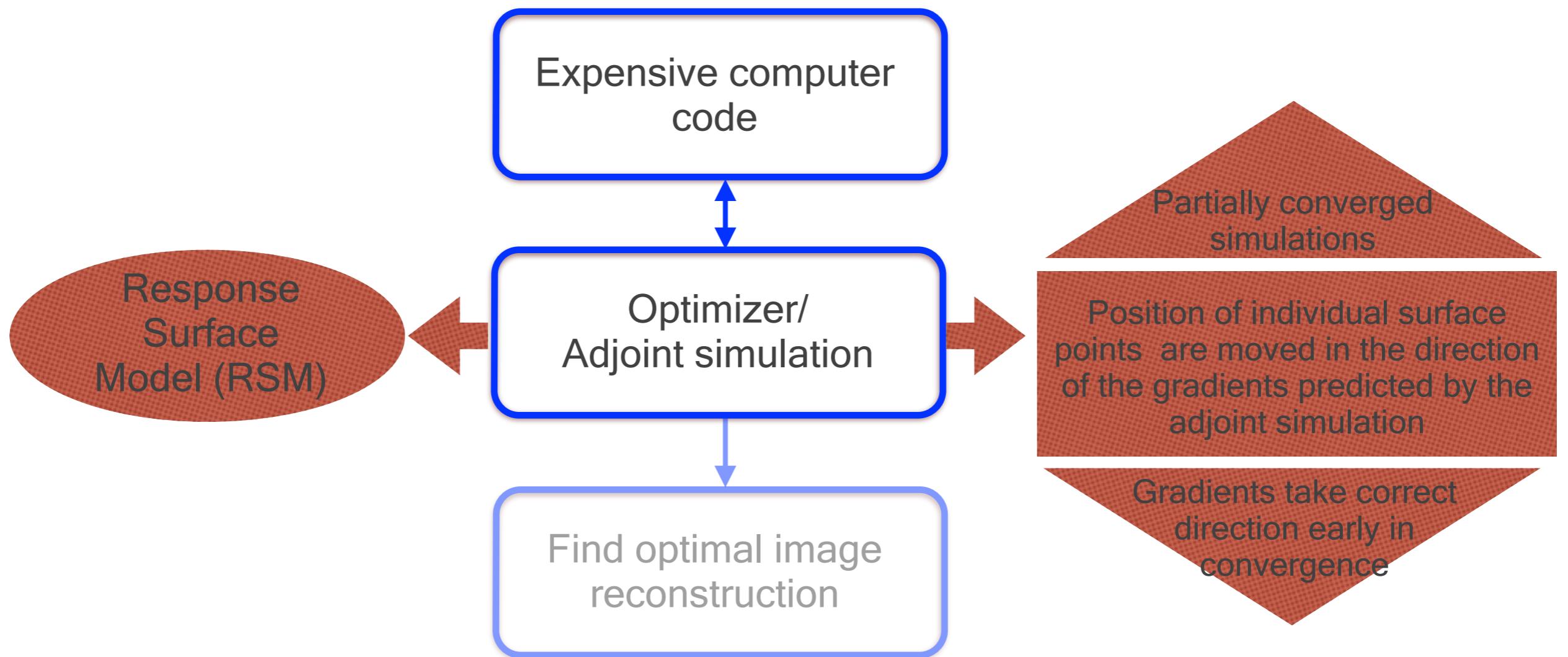
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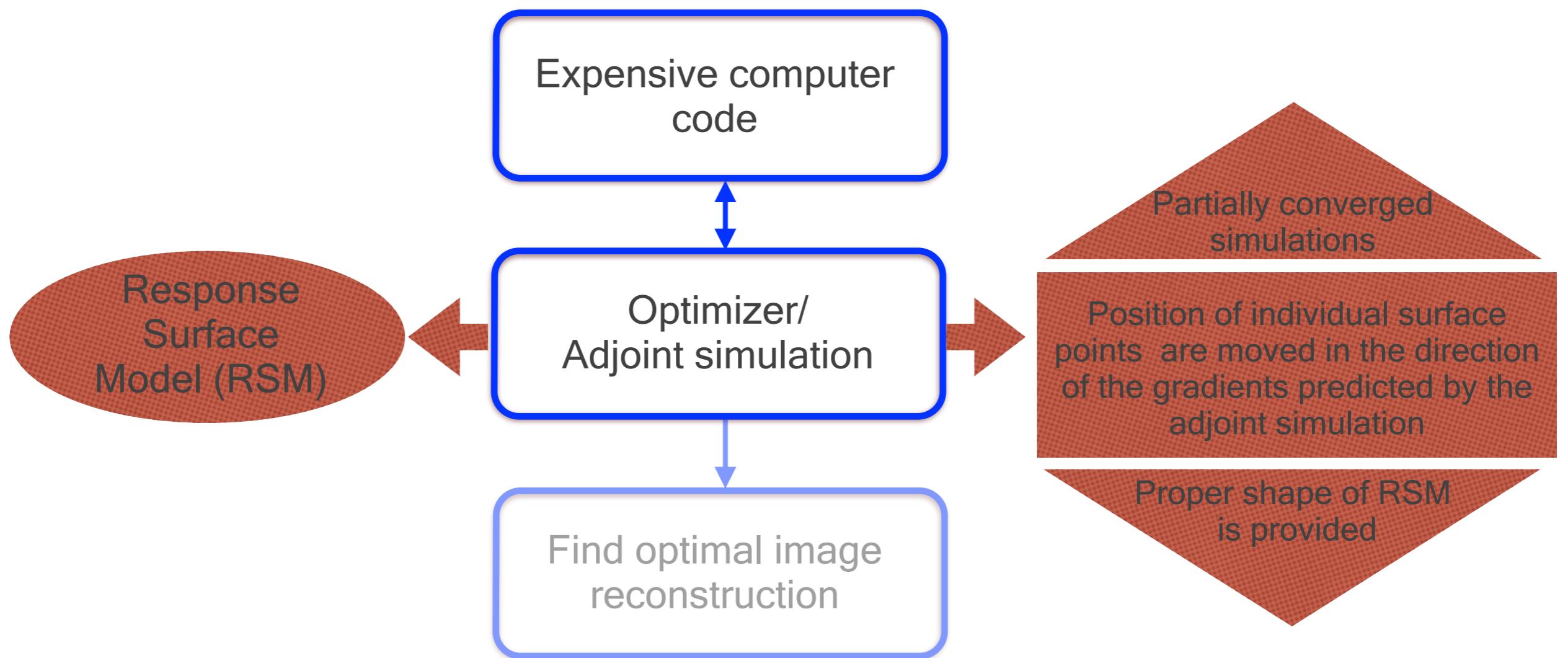
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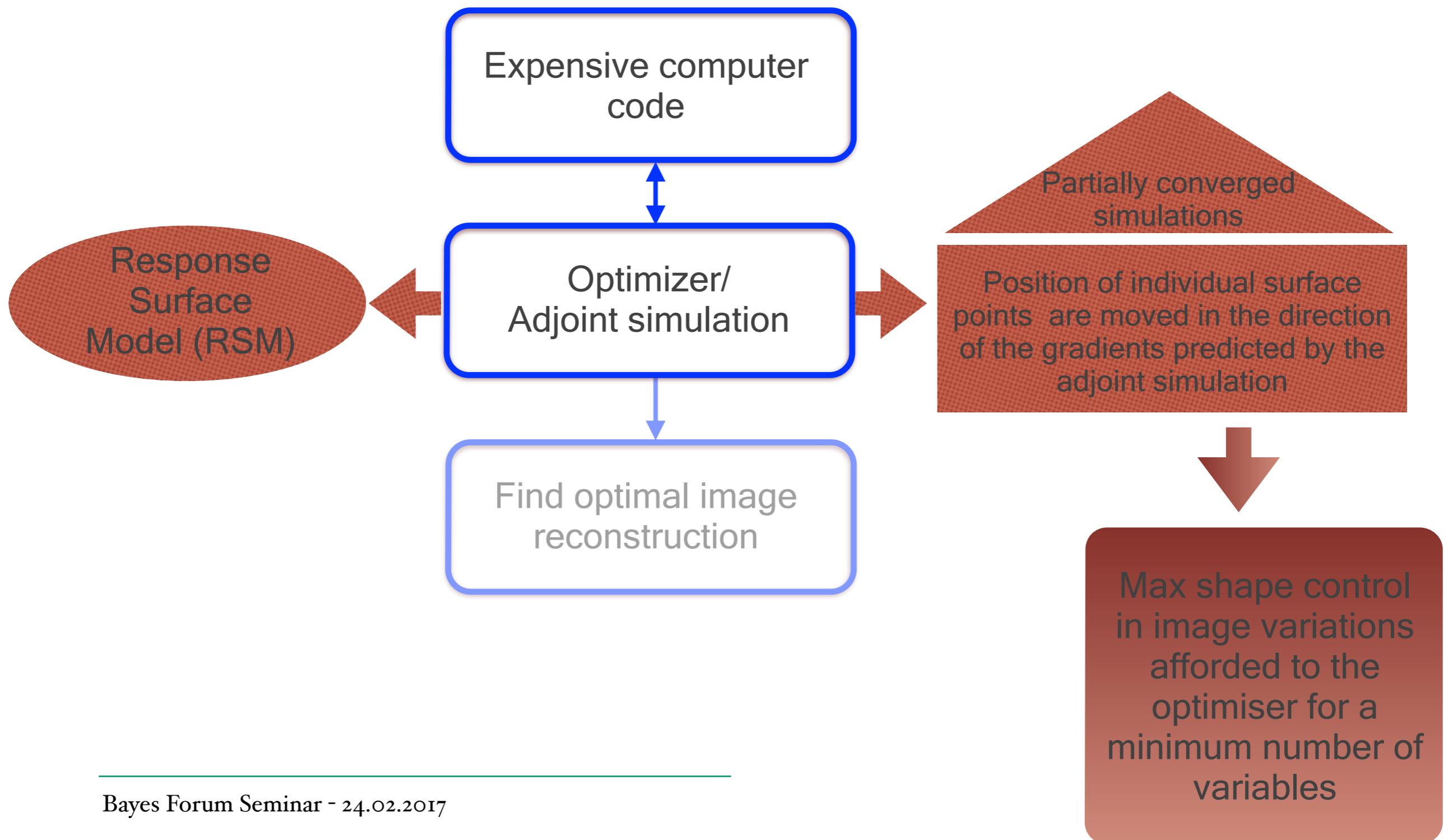
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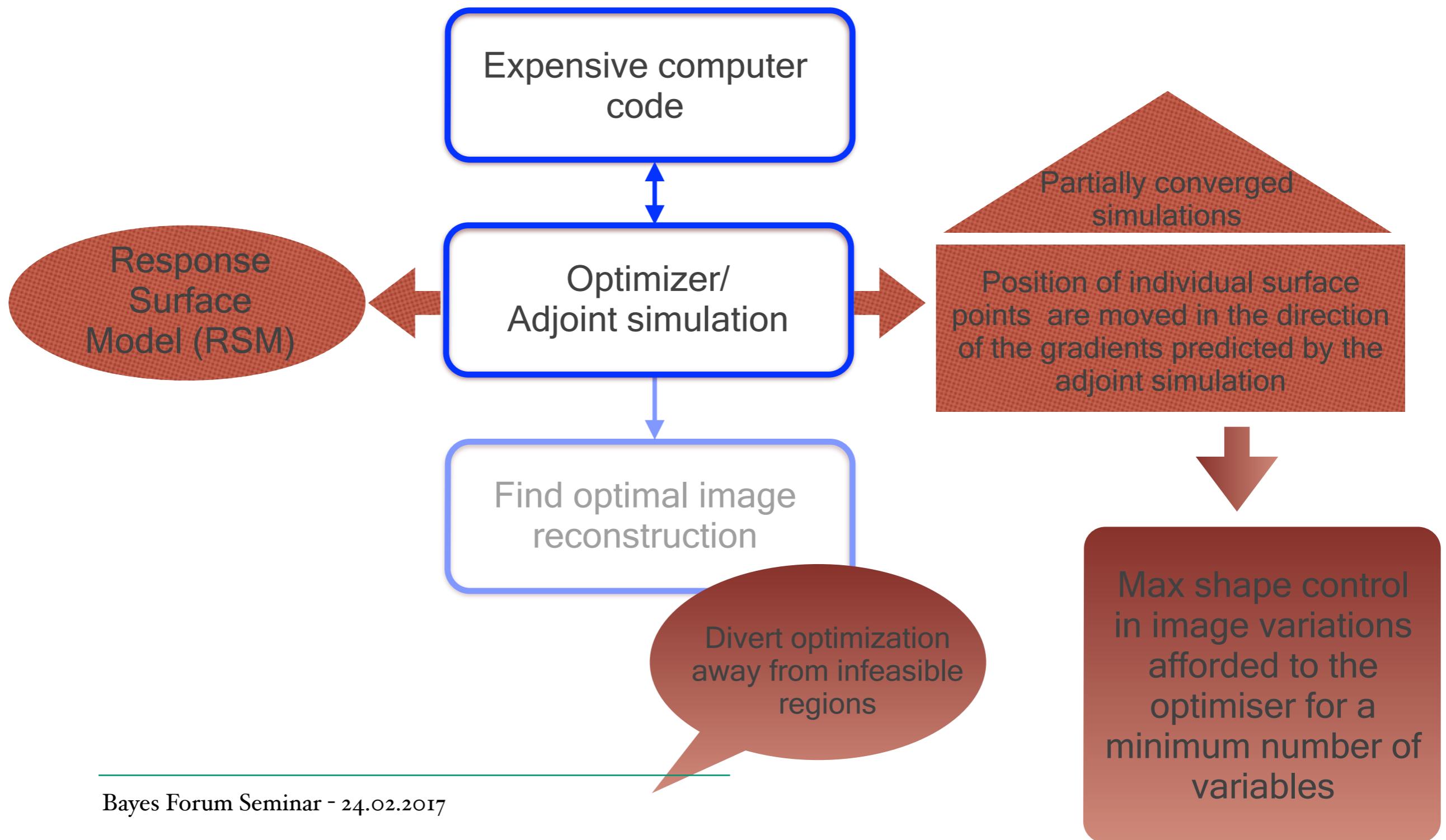
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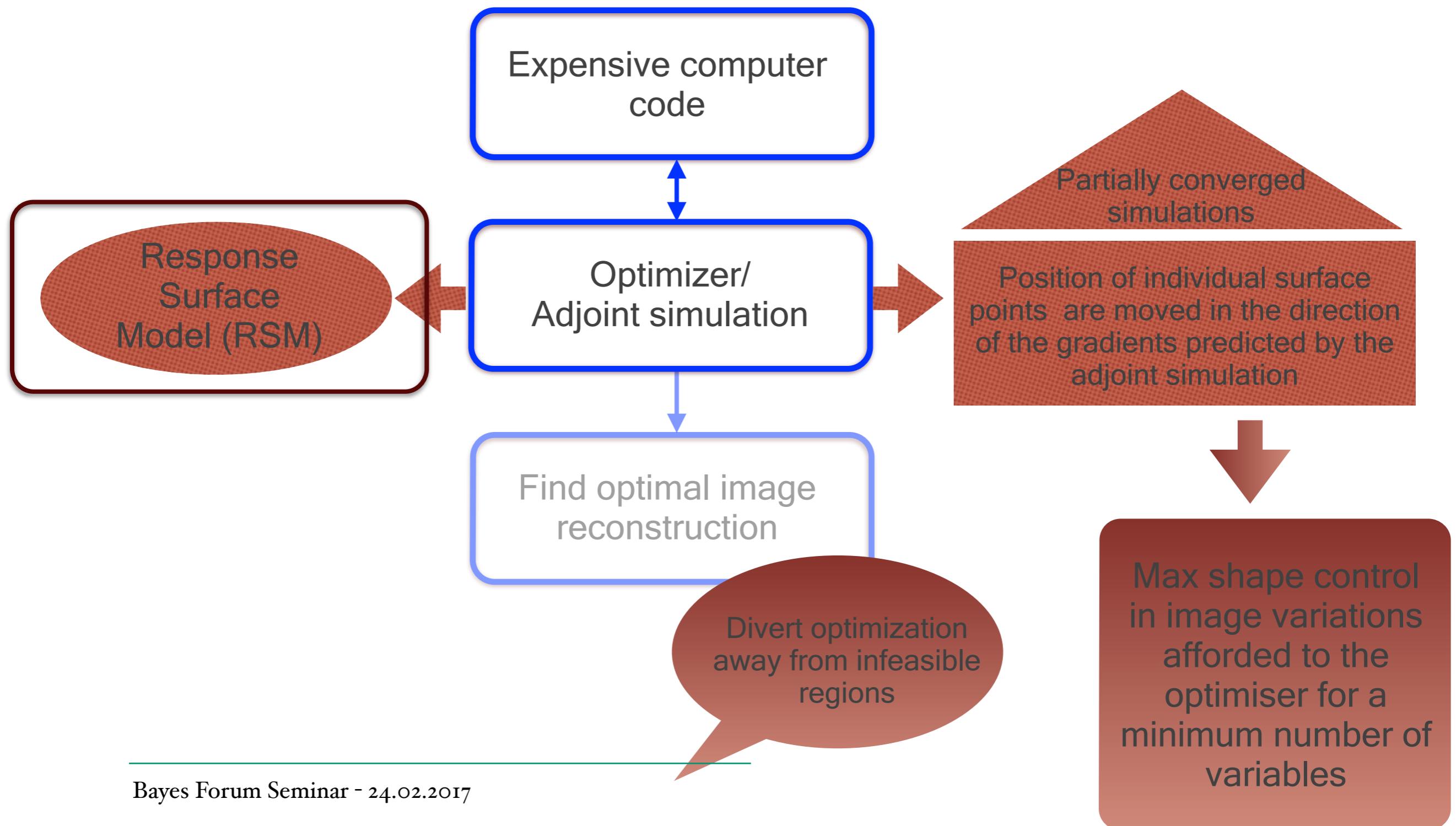
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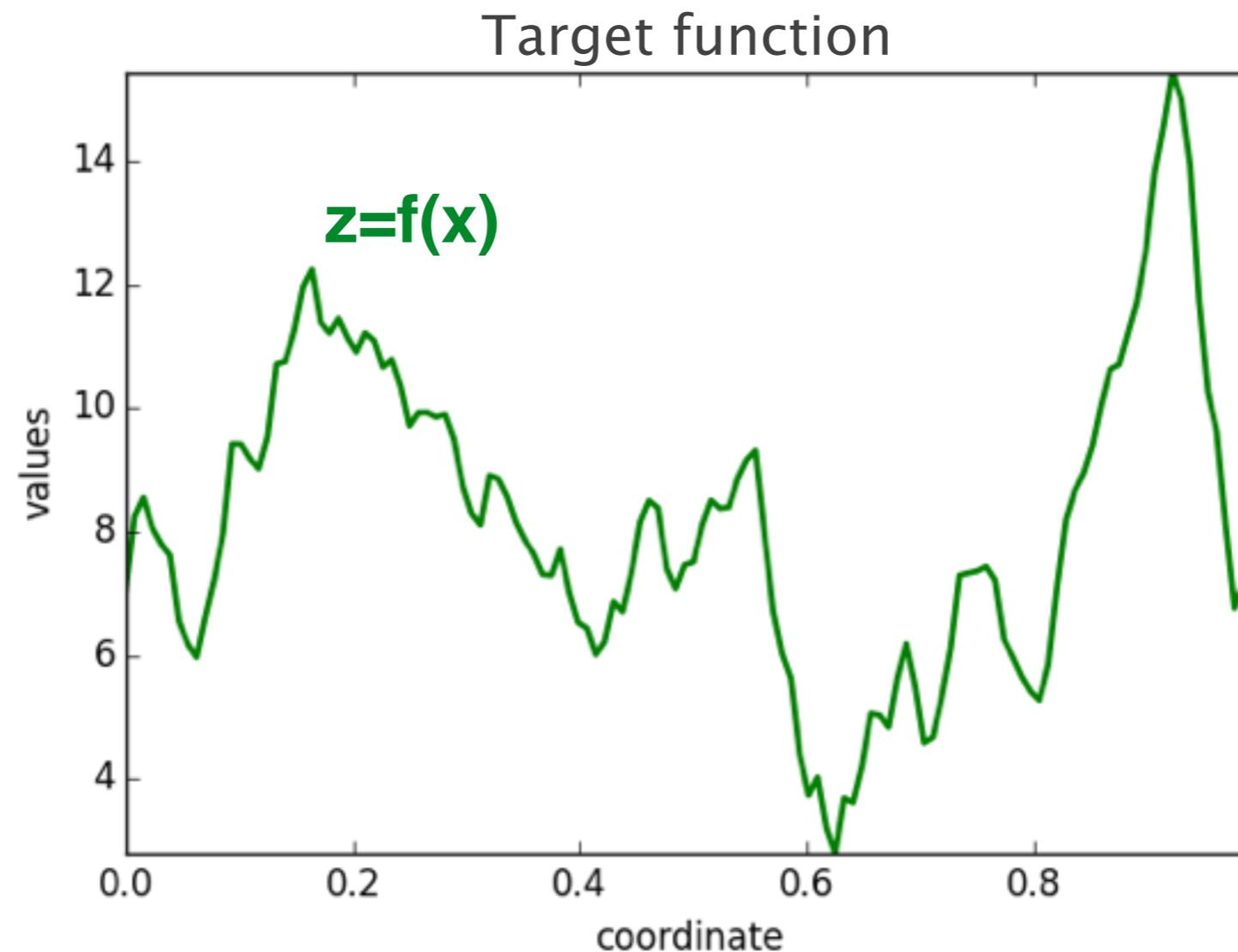


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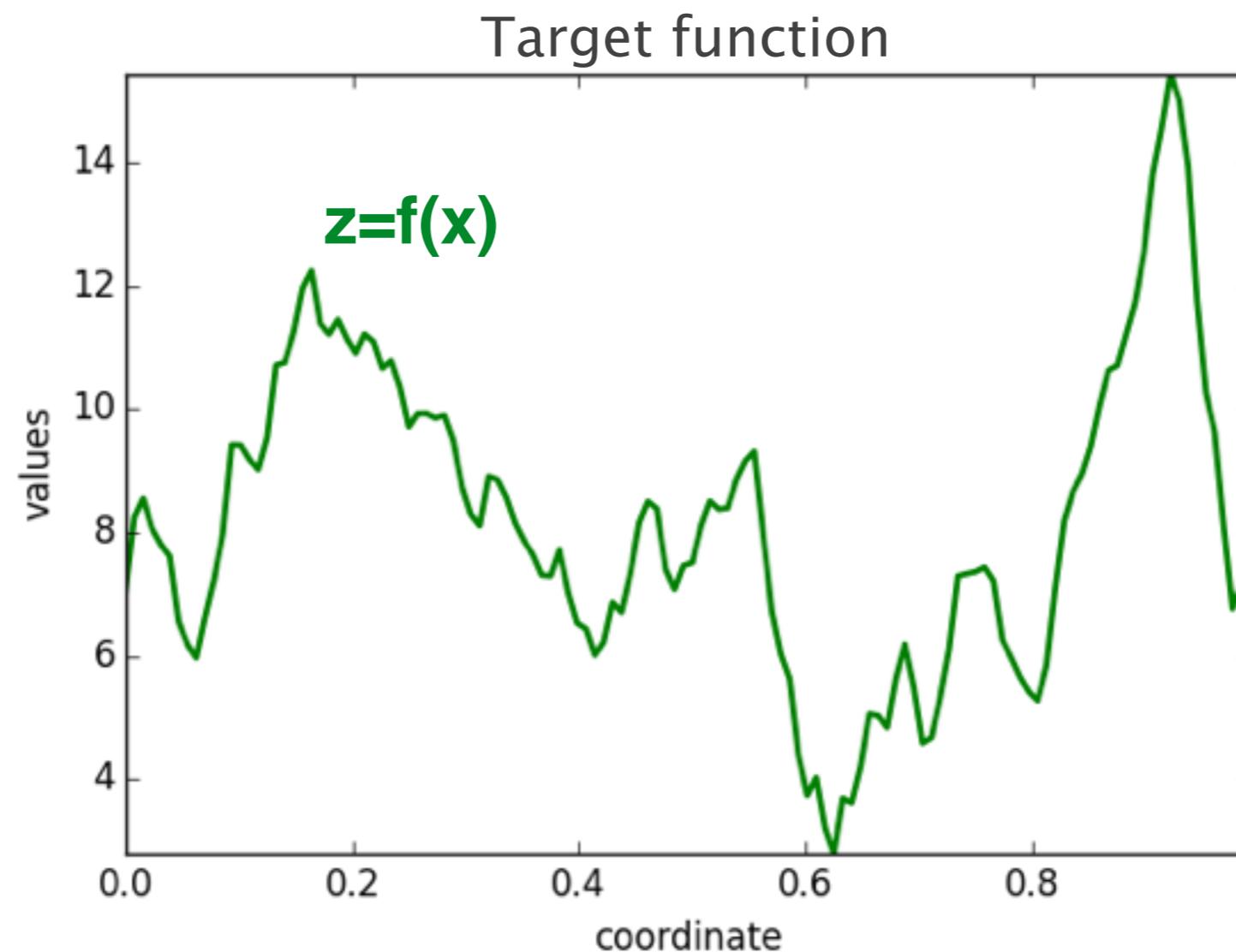
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The simulator



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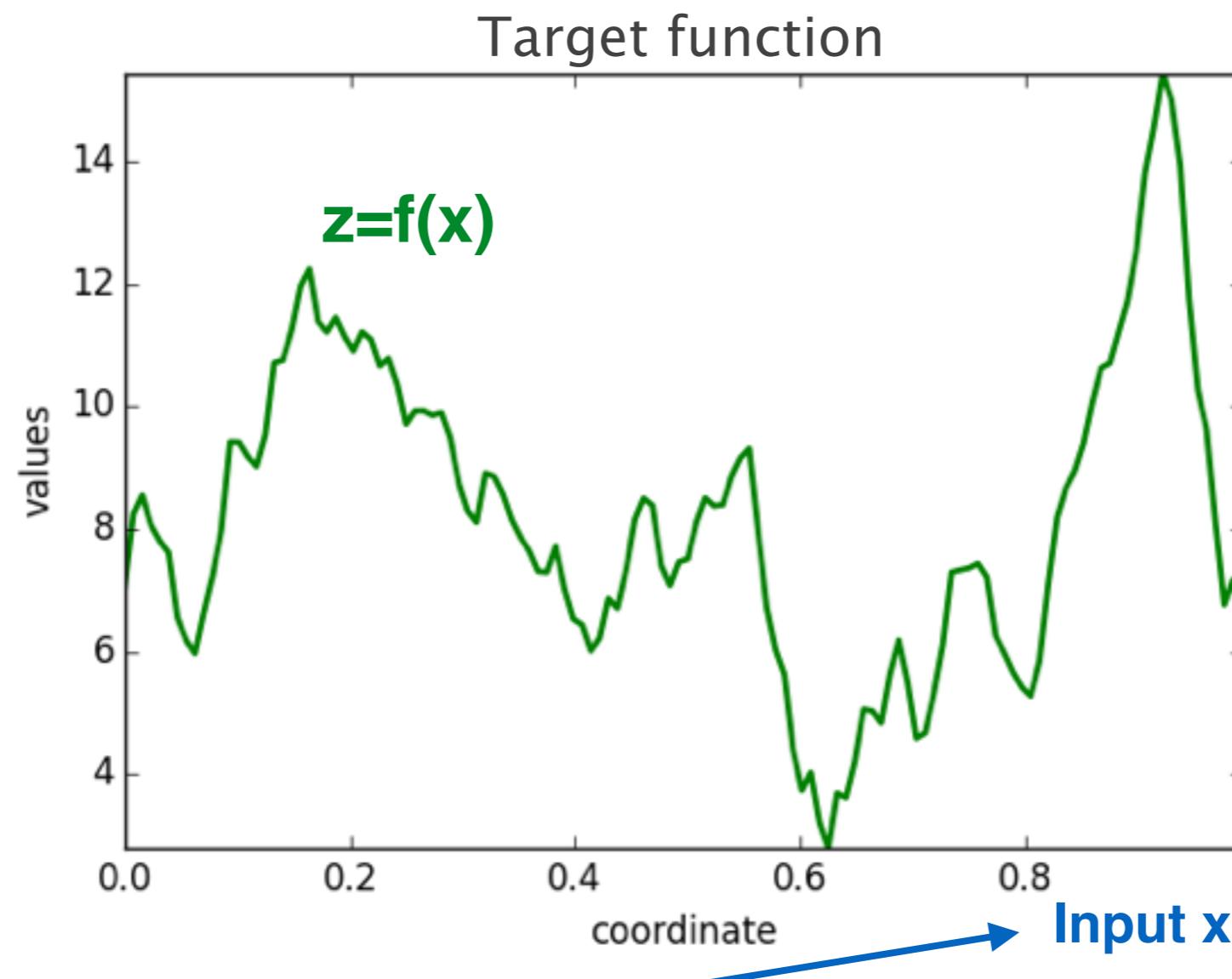
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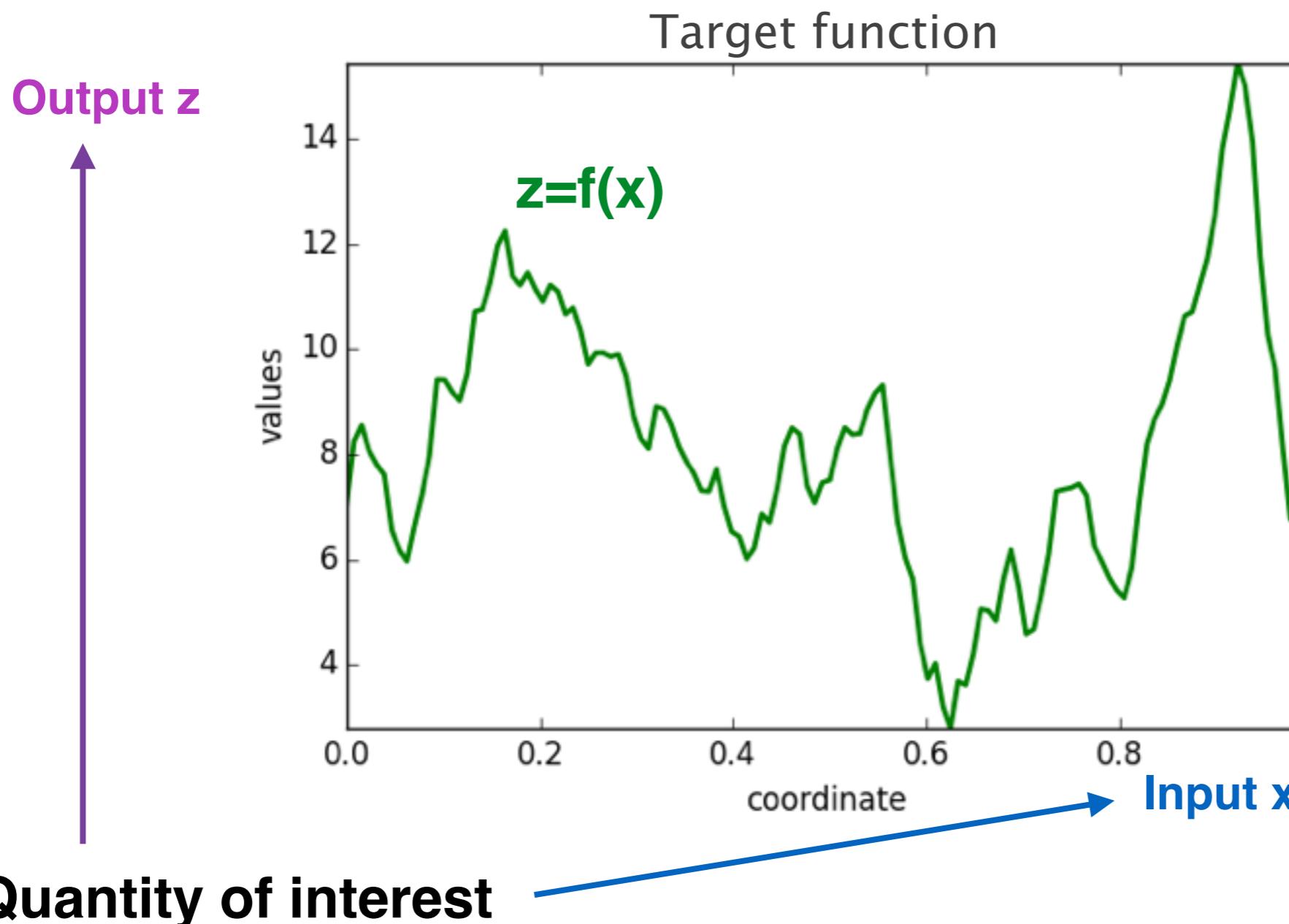
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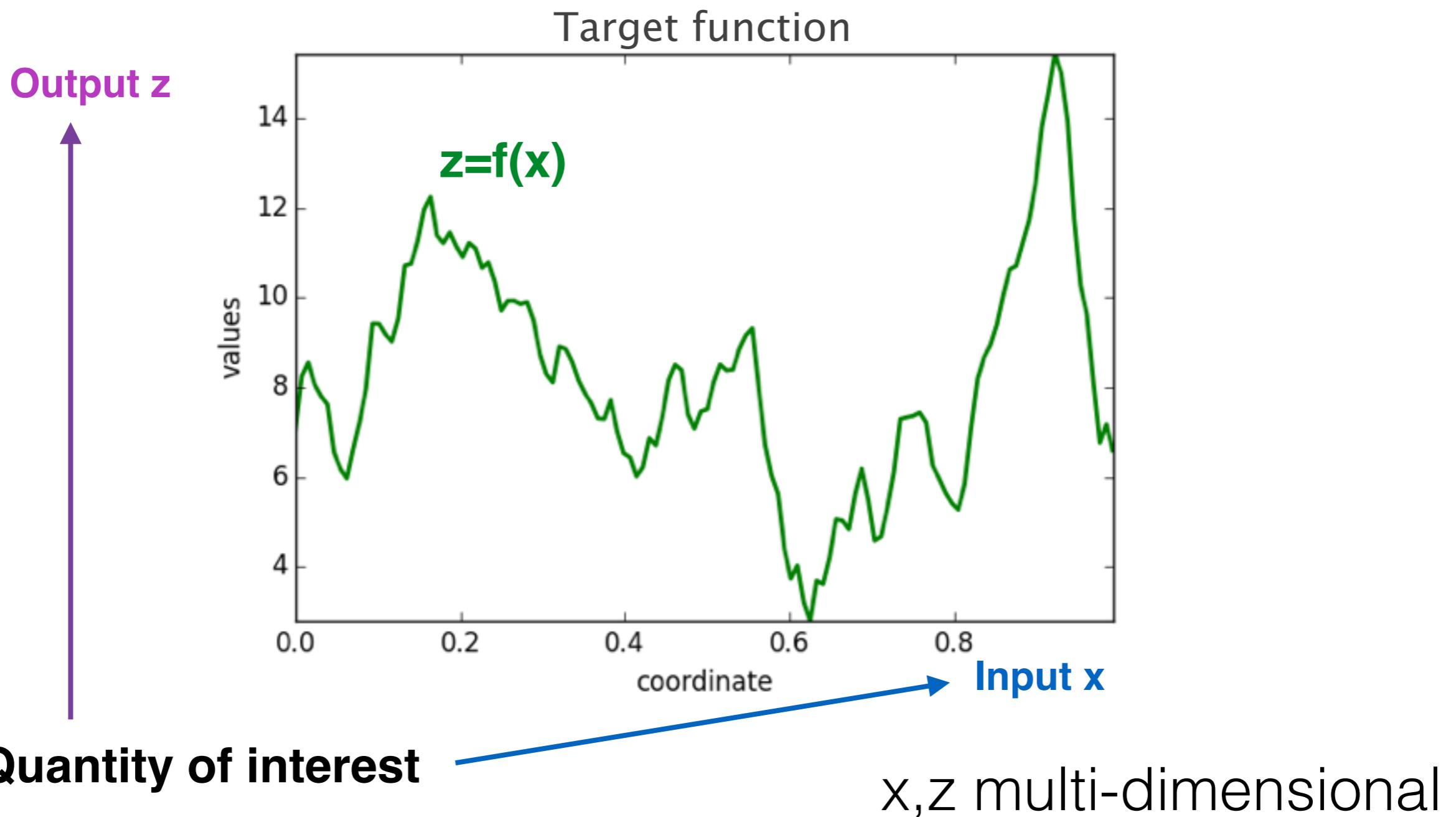
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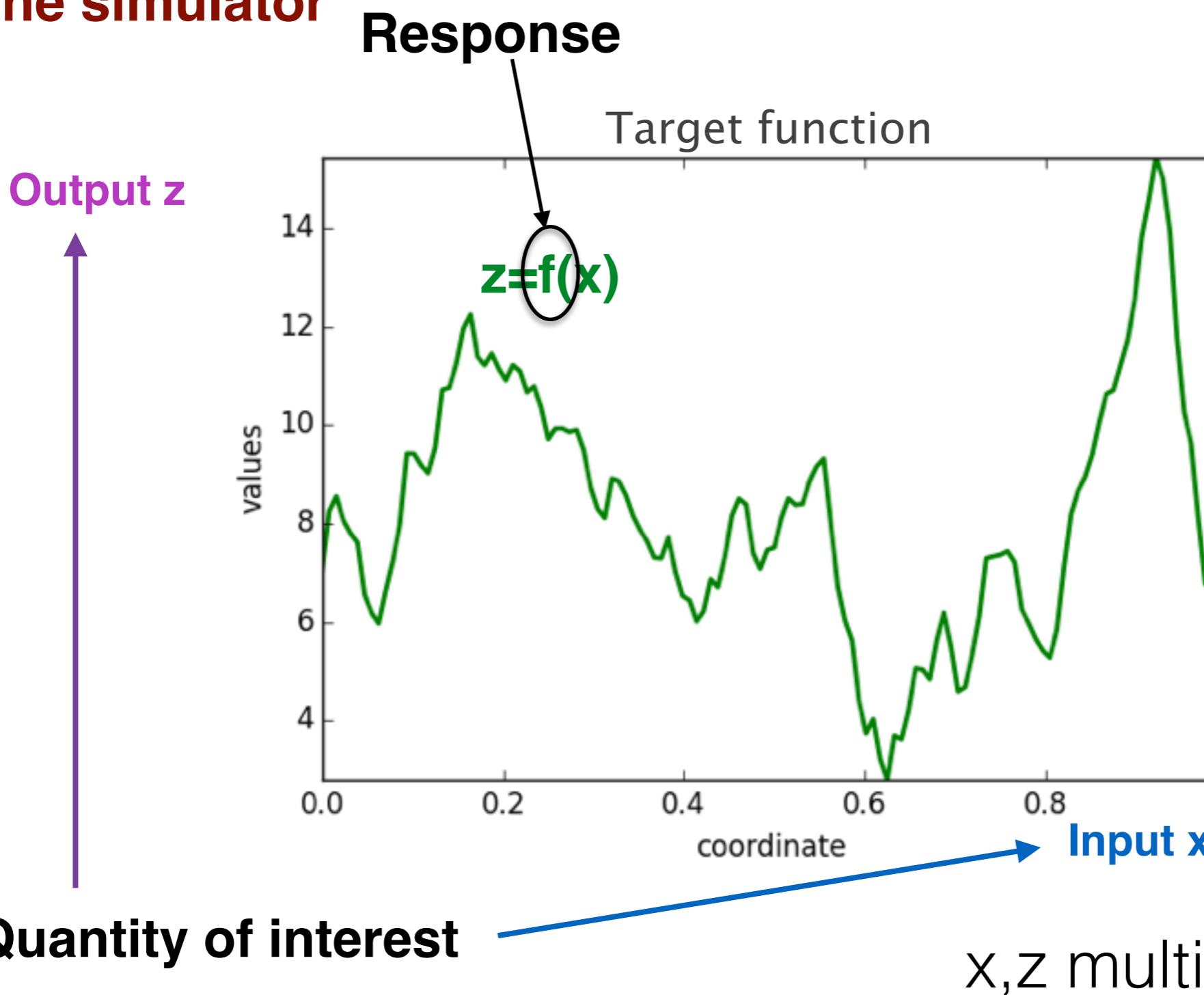
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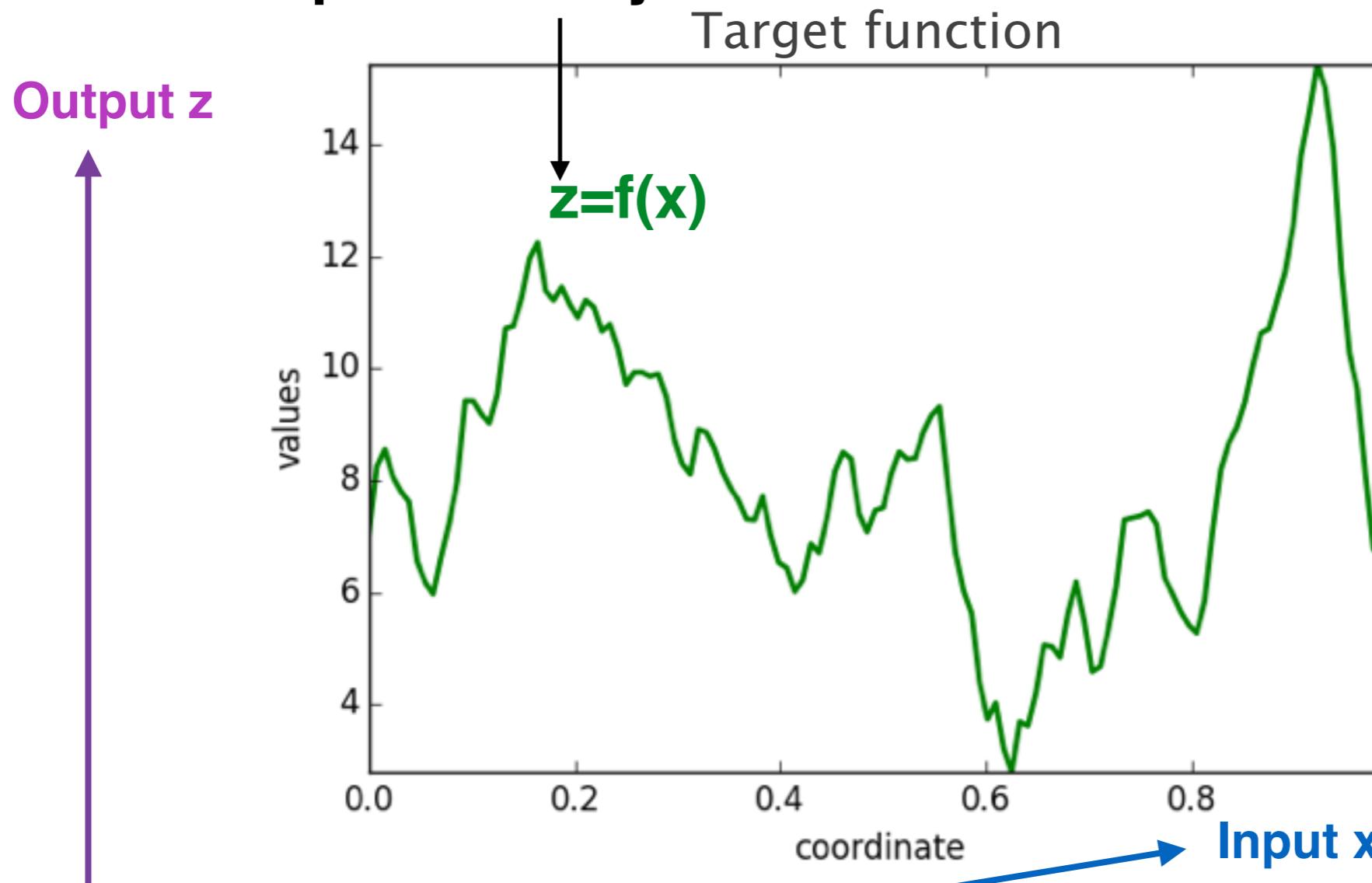
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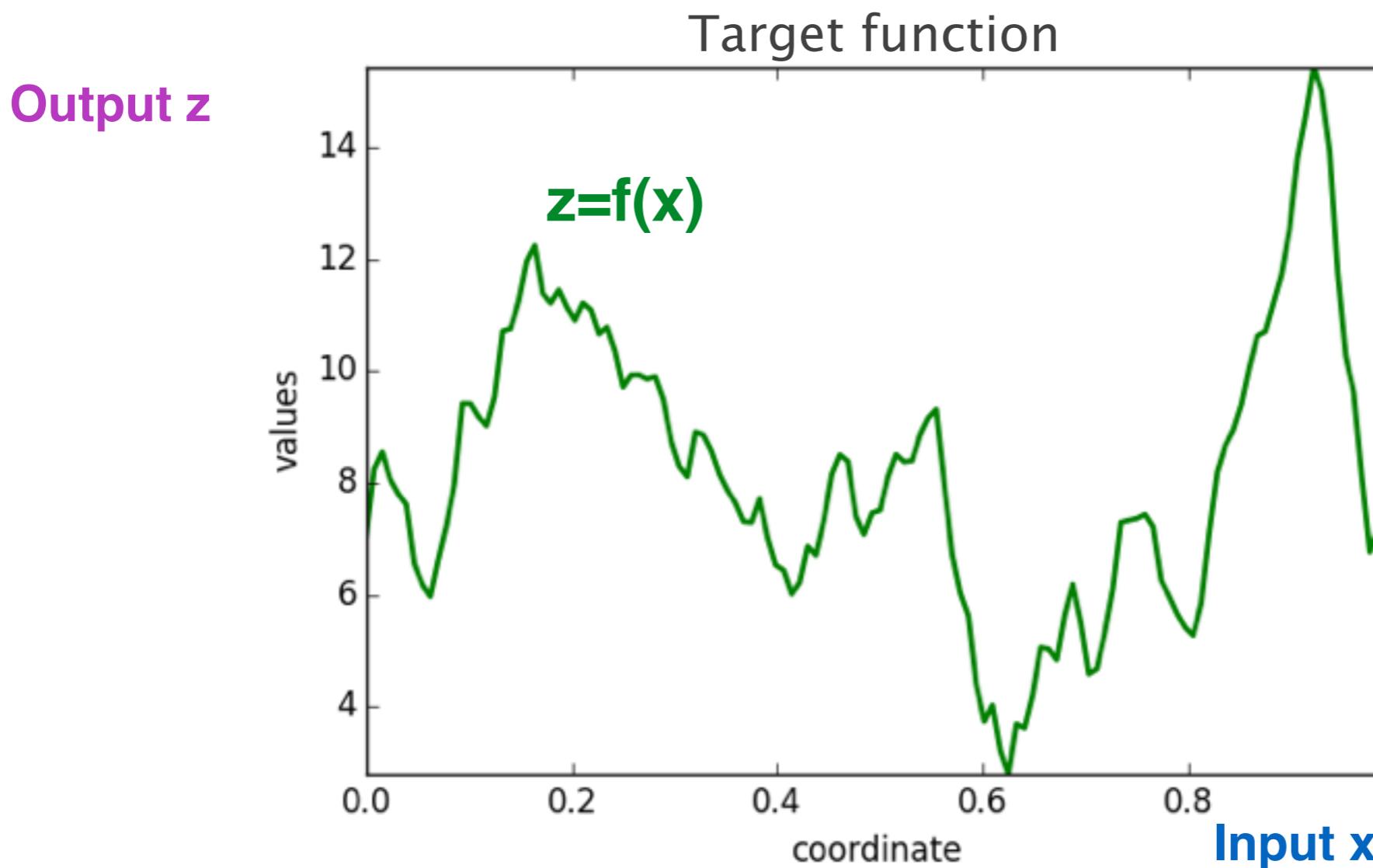


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x, z multi-dimensional

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The aim is to learn about $f(x)$...

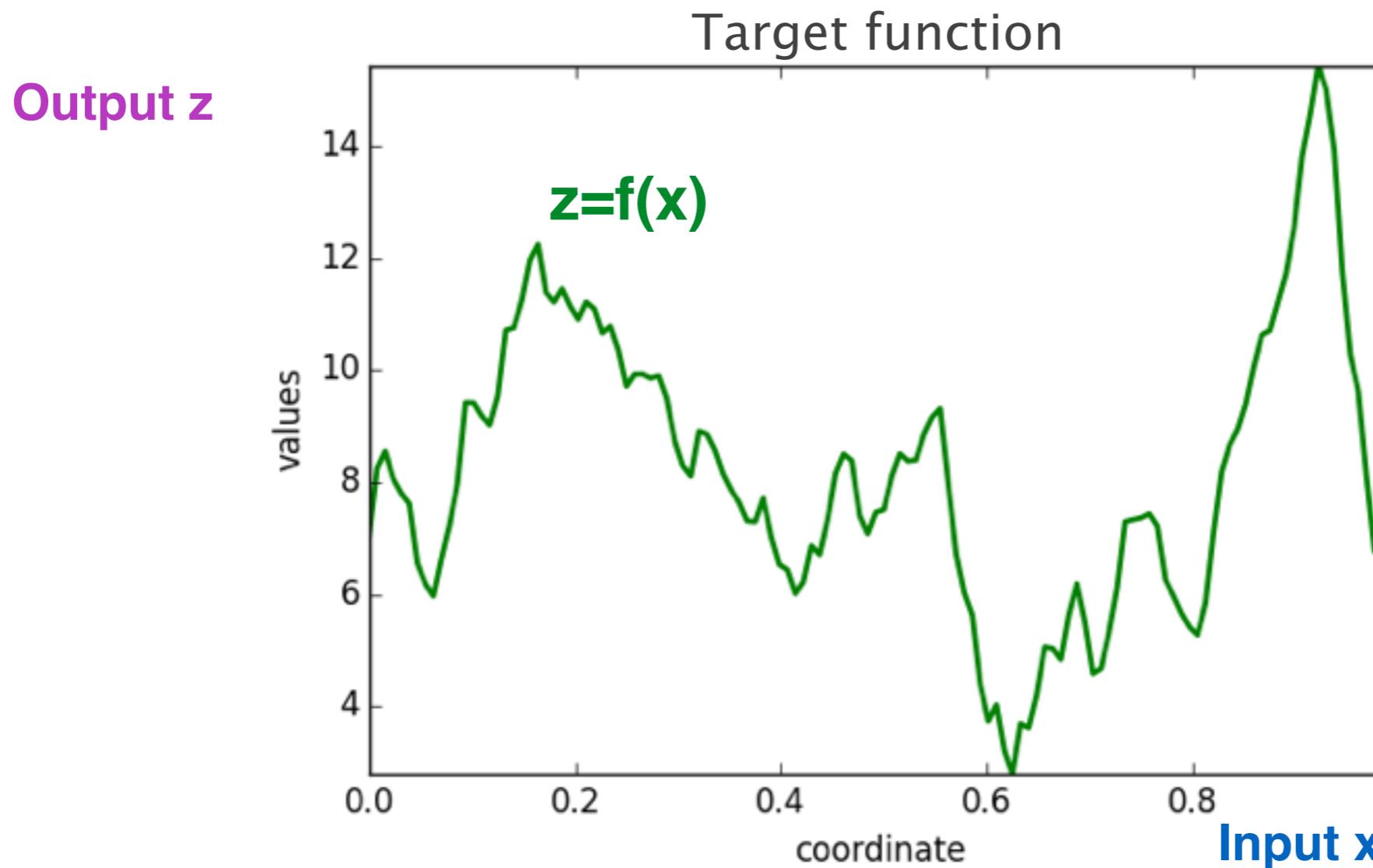


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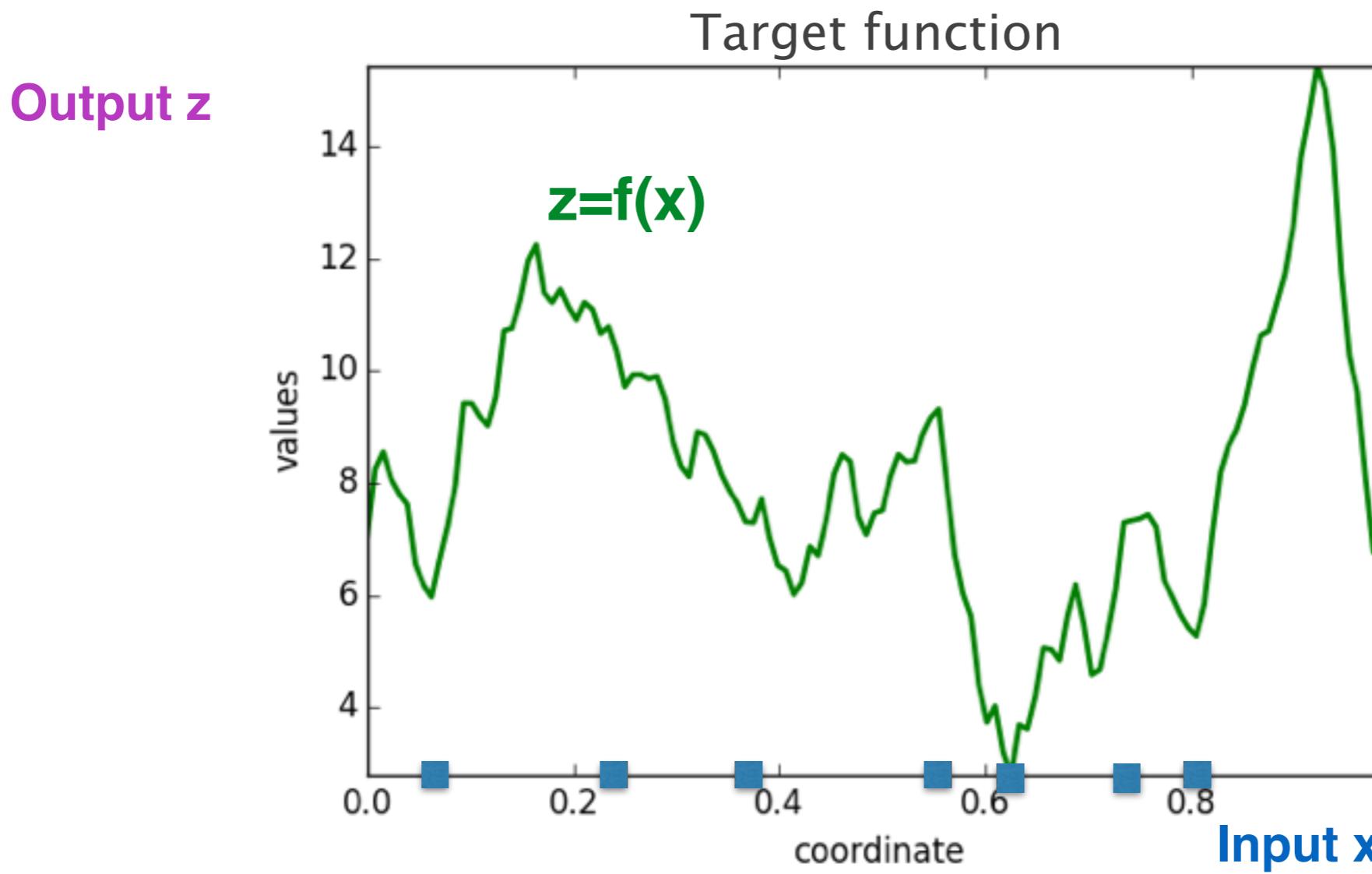


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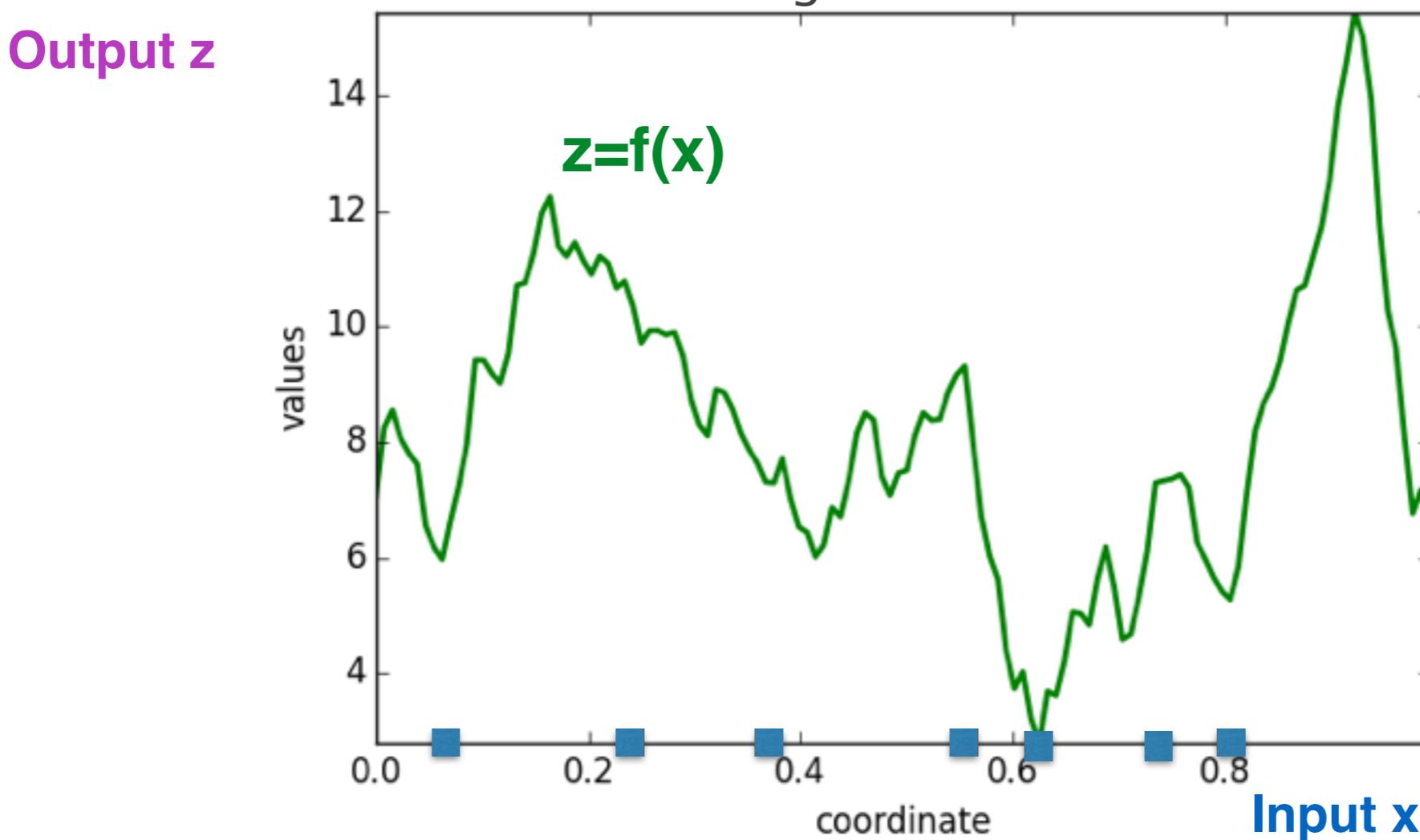
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Target function



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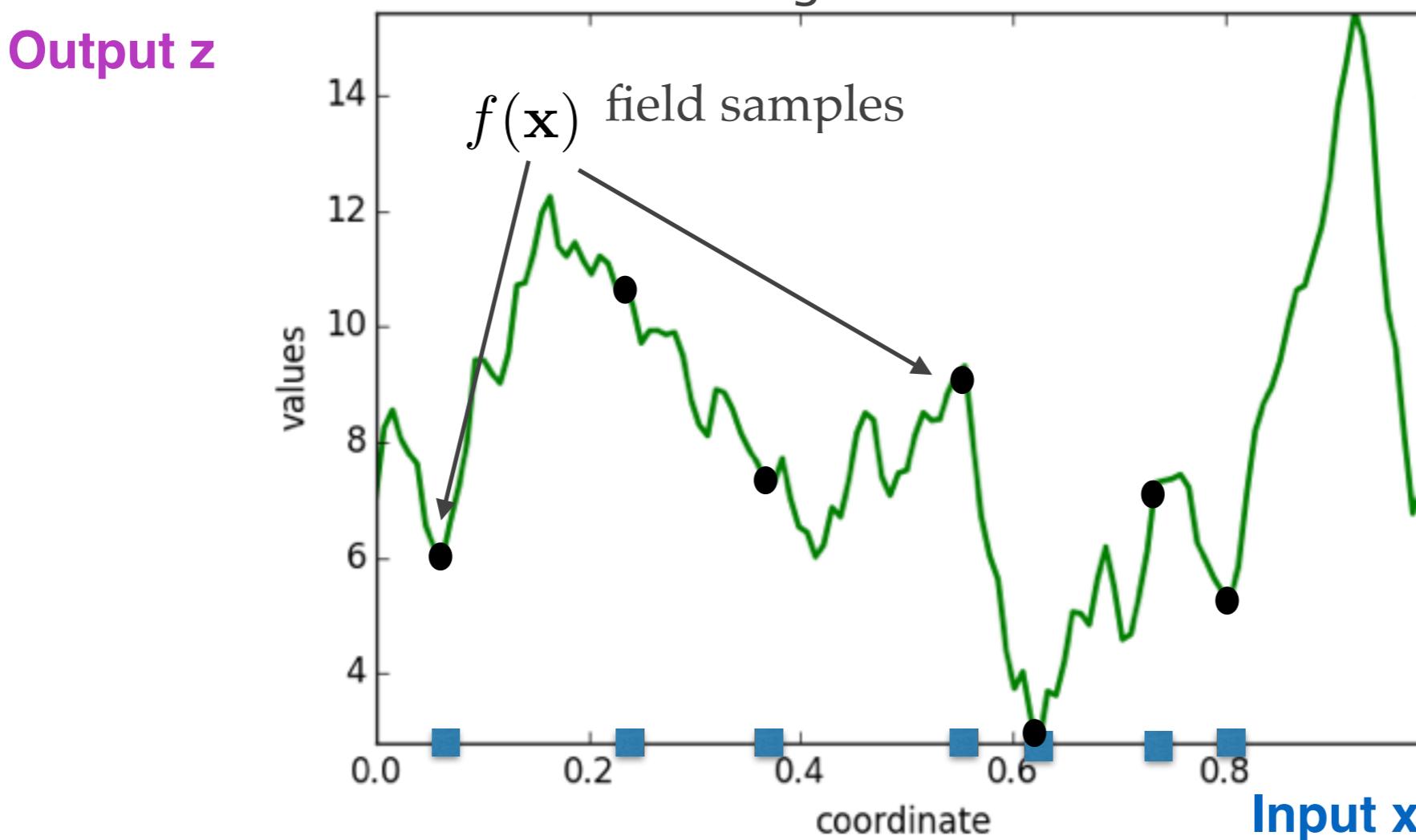
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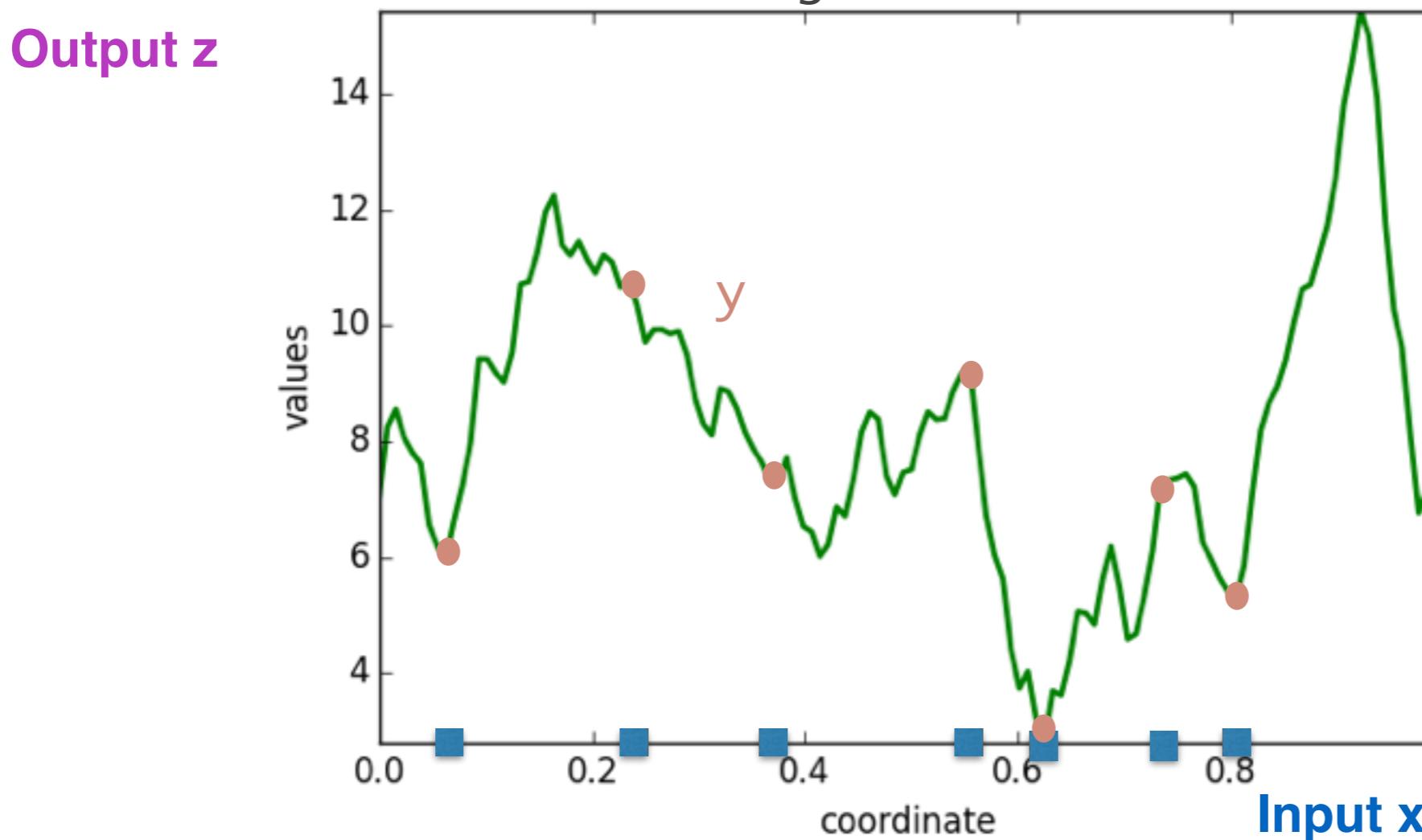
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Surrogate recipe

Use measurement apparatus (numerical solver) to get the observations: i.e. calculate the responses

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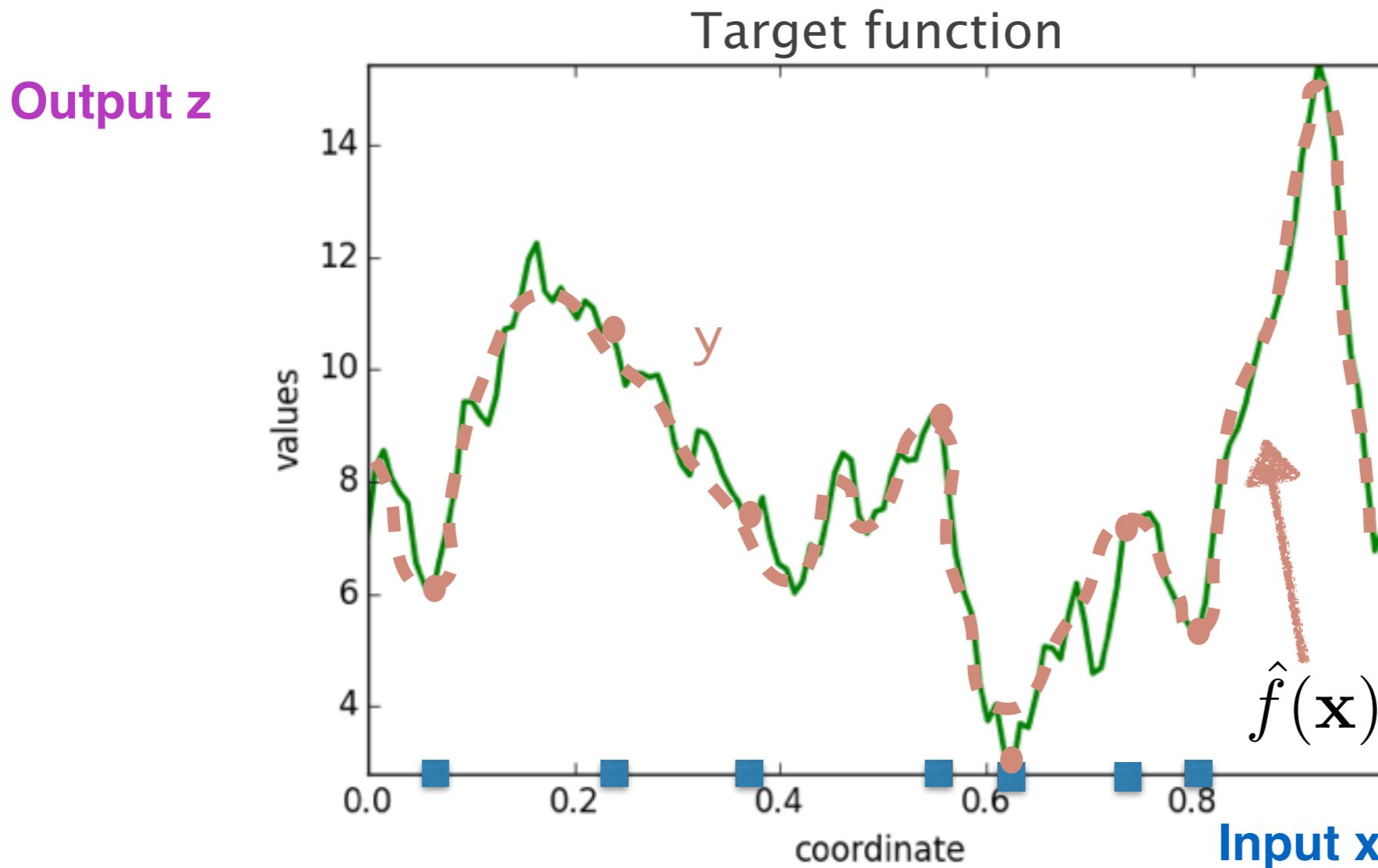


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Fit a surrogate model \hat{f} to the data:
from the observations (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) we make a prediction of the response

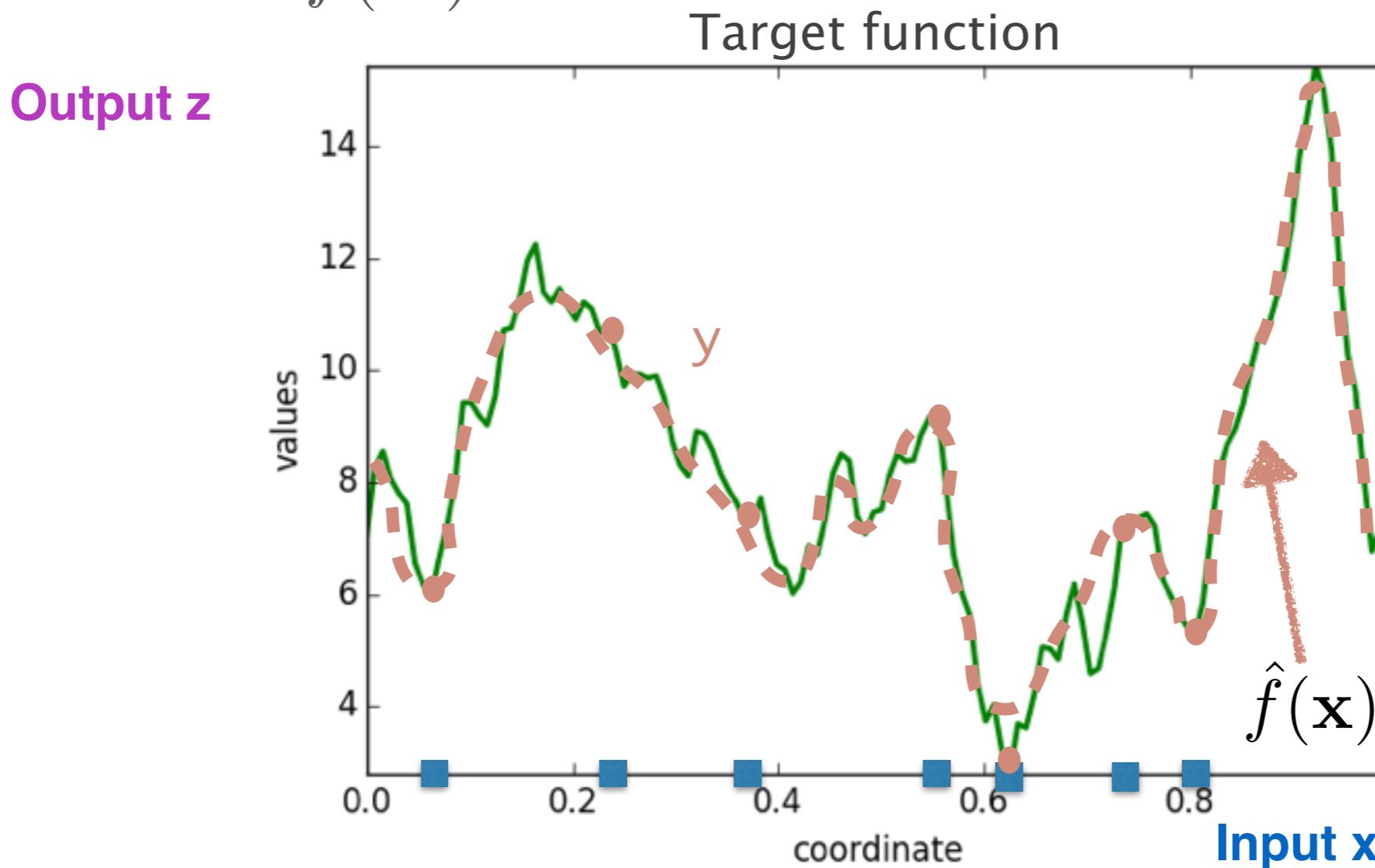


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Surrogate recipe

Assume \hat{f} stands in for f we can find \mathbf{x}' as close as to the true minimum of $\hat{f}(\mathbf{x}')$



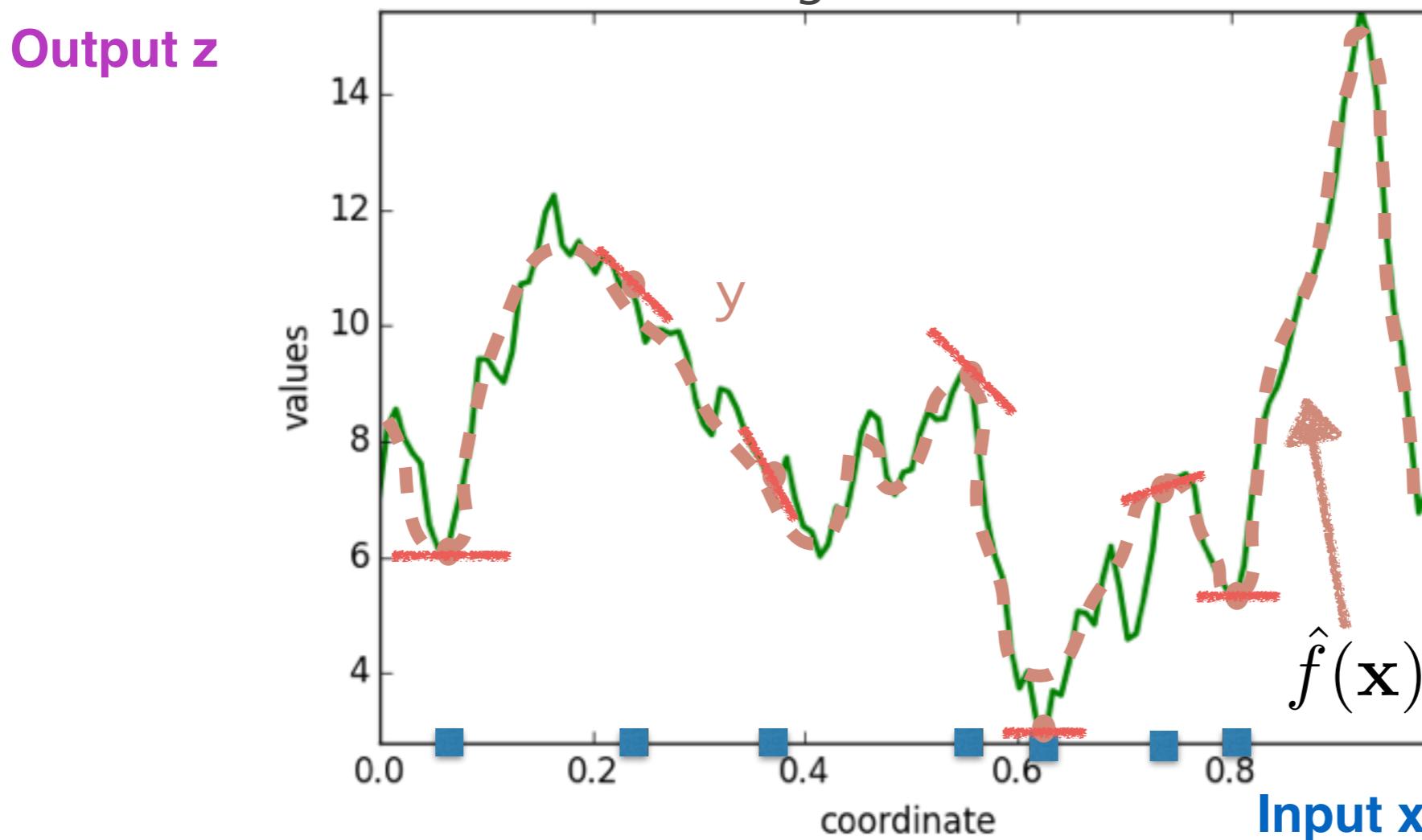
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Surrogate recipe enhanced
Improve inference by including observations of the

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Target function



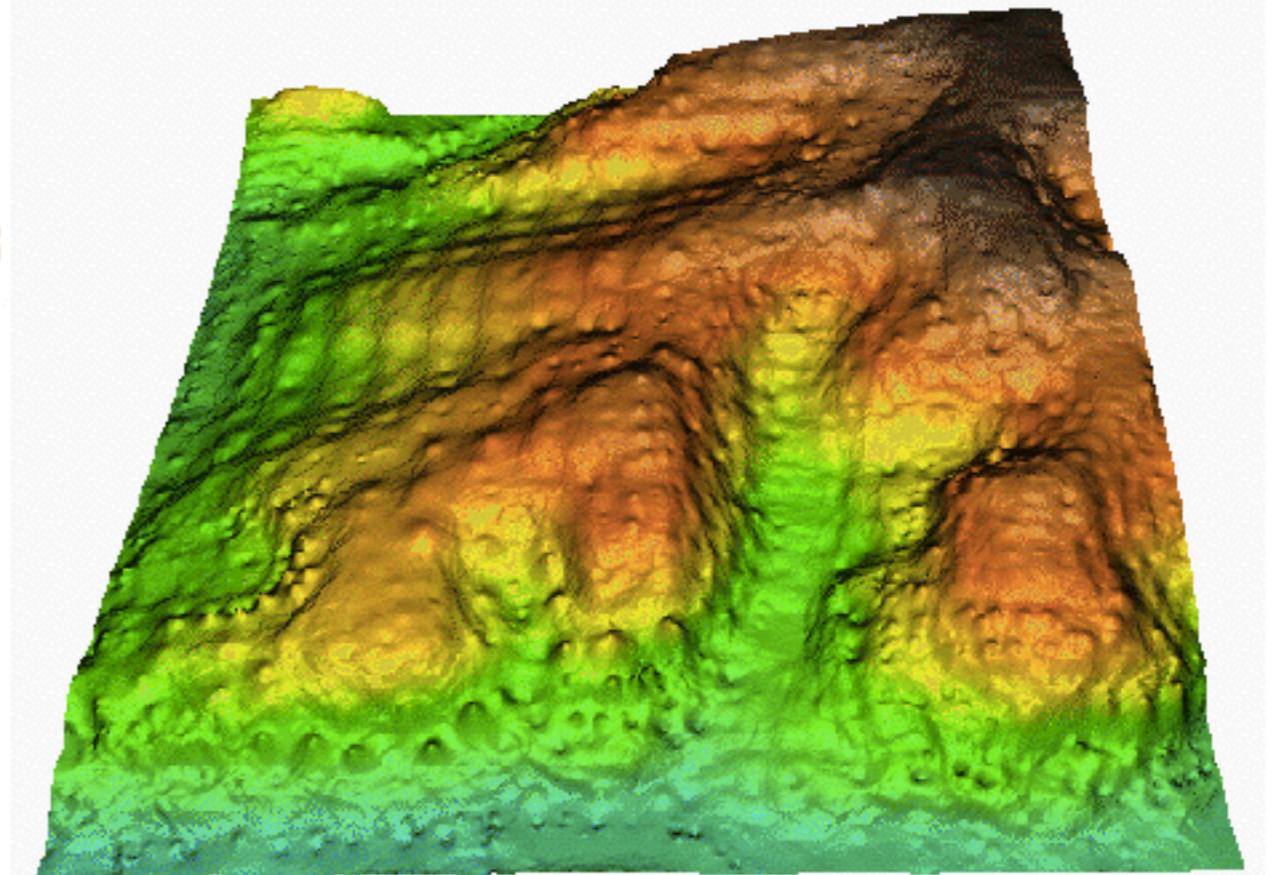
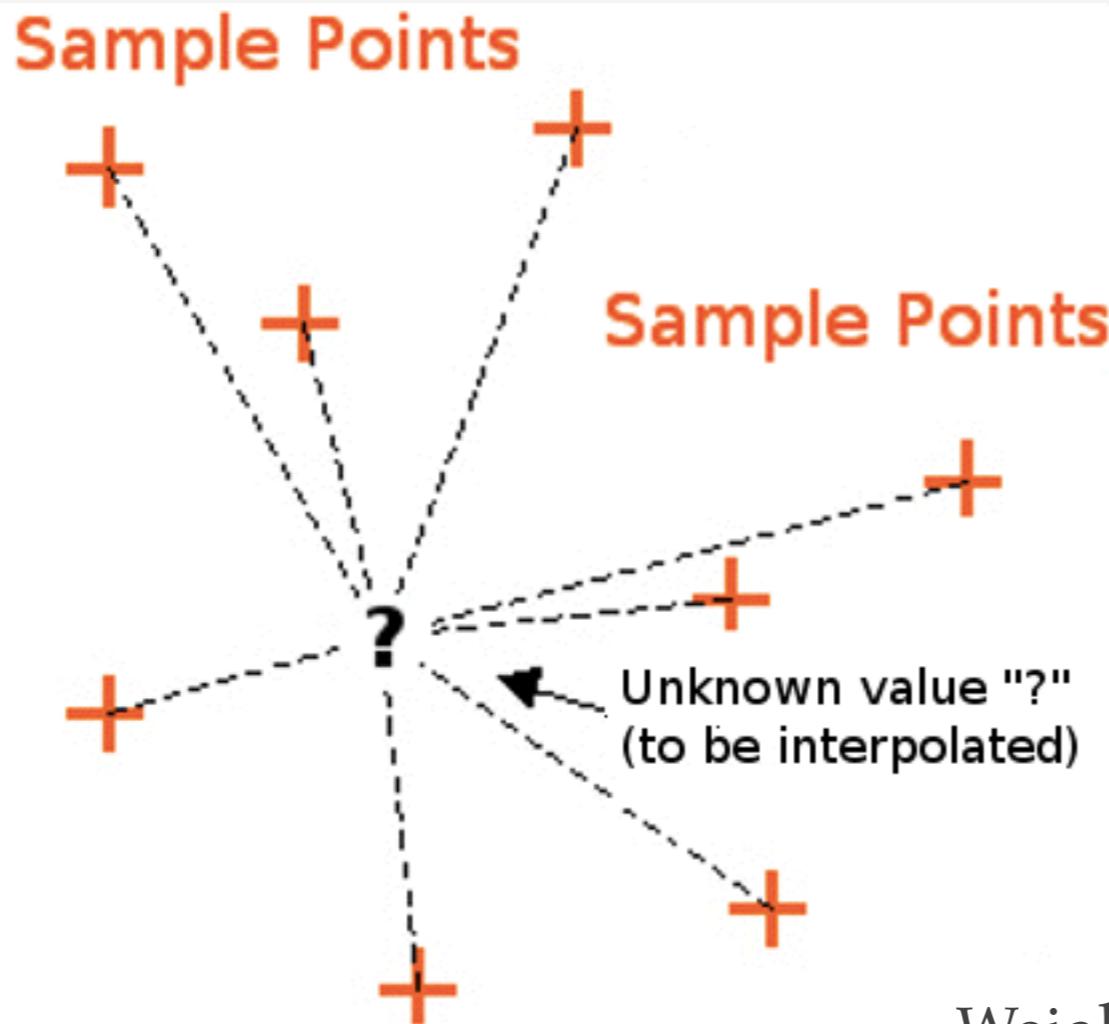
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KRIGING WEIGHTING SCHEME

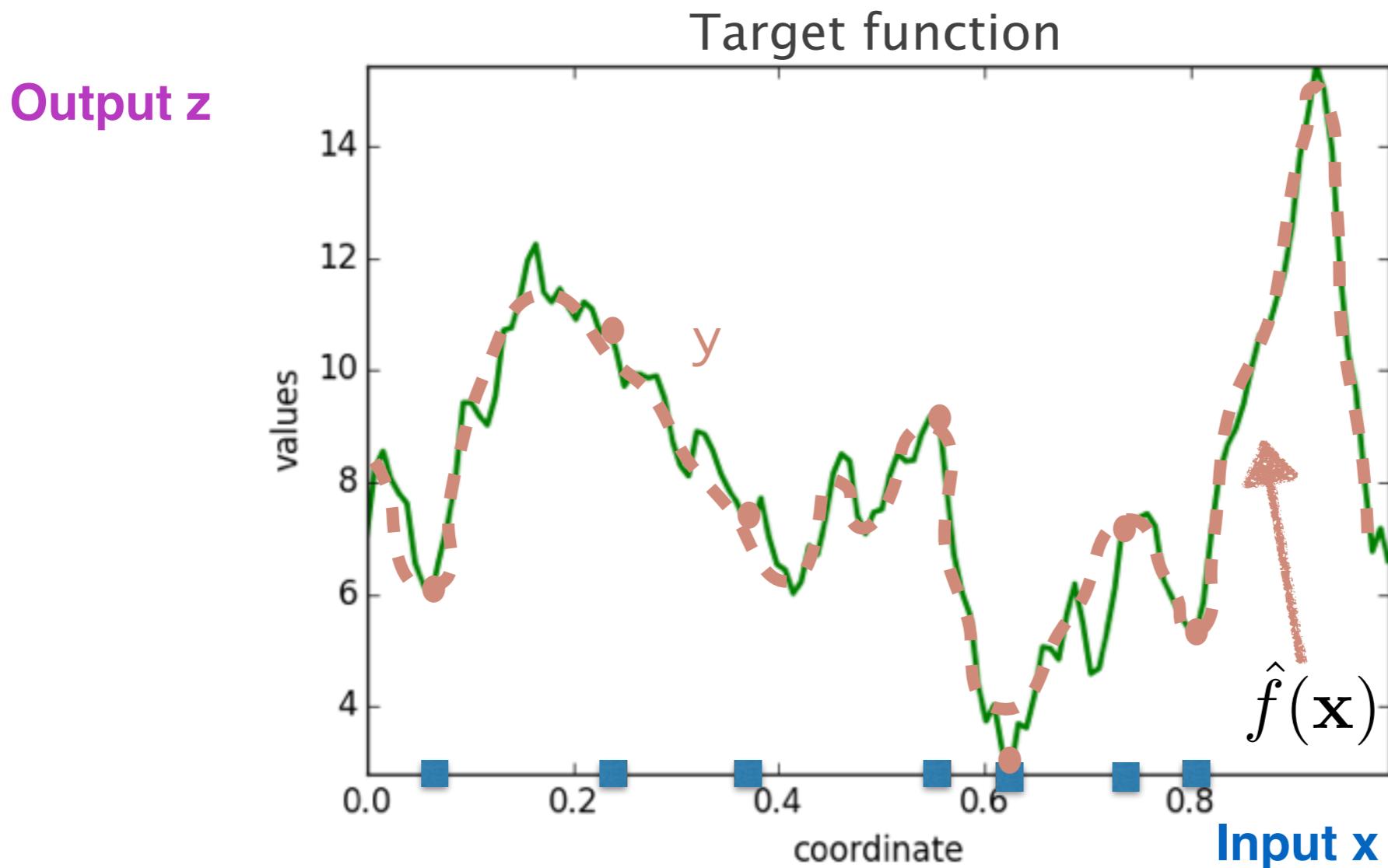


Weights are assigned to sample points according to a data driven weighting function: sample points closer to the new sample point to be predicted receive more weight

The emulator

Surrogate recipe

Validate $\hat{f}(\mathbf{x}')$ against the true expensive f : computation of $f(\mathbf{x}')$



The emulator

Surrogate challenges

1. Multimodal and multidimensional landscape
2. Surrogate function has to emulate well the real function, at least in the location of the optima

Kriging surrogate - Gaussian process

- Empirical modelling in high dimensional data:
 - $y(\mathbf{x})$ assumed to underlie the data $\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}, t_n\}$: adaption of model to data corresponds to inference of the function given the data
- Generalisation of a (multivariate) Gaussian distribution to a function space of infinite dimension
- Specified by mean and covariance functions $y(x) \sim GP(\mu(x), C(x, x'))$
 - mean is a function of \mathbf{x} (the zero function)
 - cov is a function $C(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')$, expected covariance between the values of the function y at the points \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{x}'

$$P(y(x)|\mu(x), A) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{y}(x) - \mu(x))^T \mathbf{A} (\mathbf{y}(x) - \mu(x)) \right]$$

- $y(\mathbf{x})$ lives in the infinite-dimensional space of all continuous functions of \mathbf{x}

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- ❖ Gaussian process regression, Wiener-Kolmogorov prediction
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 - prior distribution and covariance of unknown function $f(x)$
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- > responses $y(x)$ Gaussian process

$$P(y(\mathbf{x})|\mathbf{t}_i, \mathbf{X}_i, \mathbf{I}) = \frac{P(\mathbf{t}_i|y(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{X}_i, \mathbf{I})P(y(\mathbf{x}))}{P(\mathbf{t}_i)}$$

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Posterior pdf
of the emulated signal

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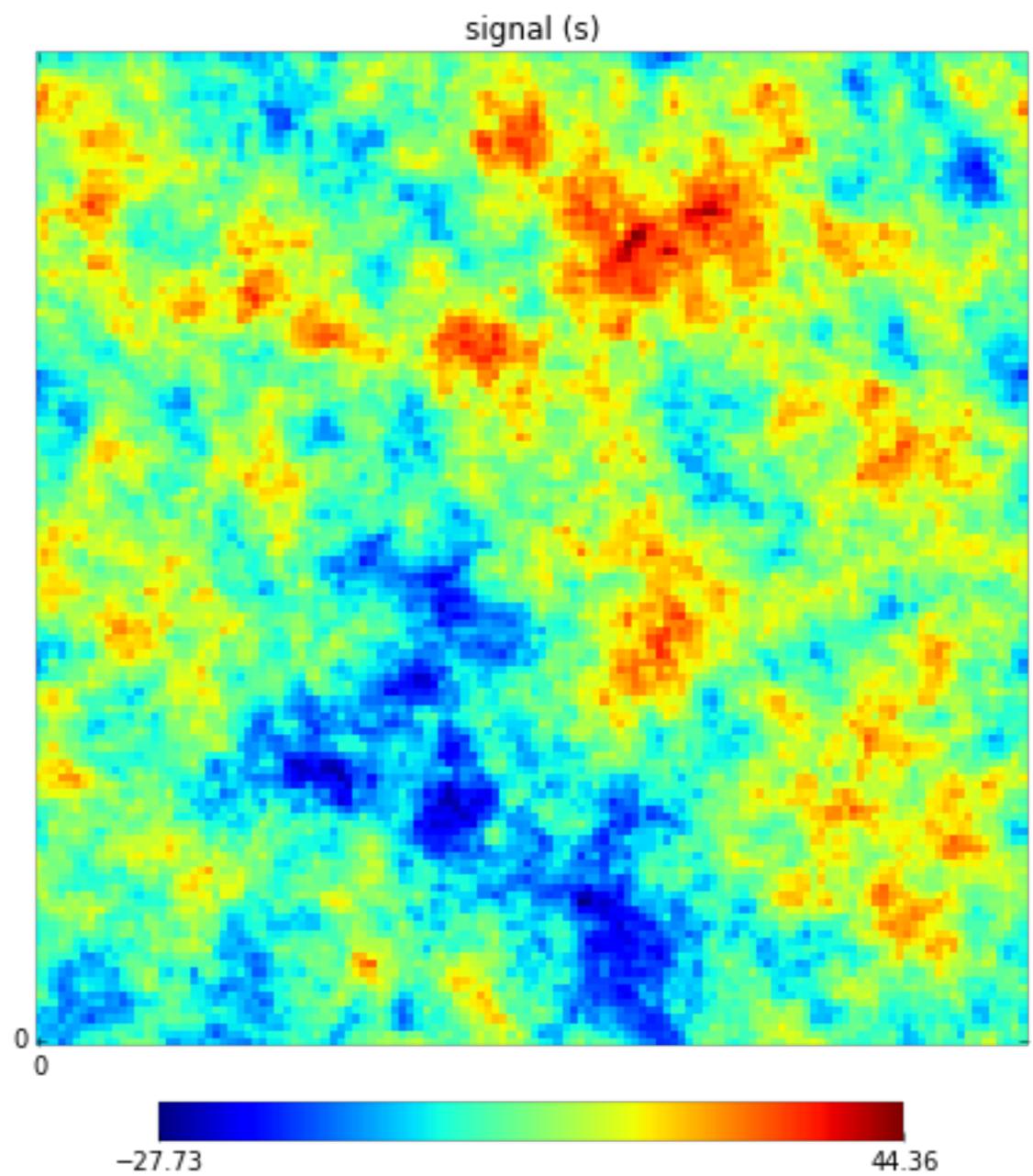
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1.6E+4 dimensions

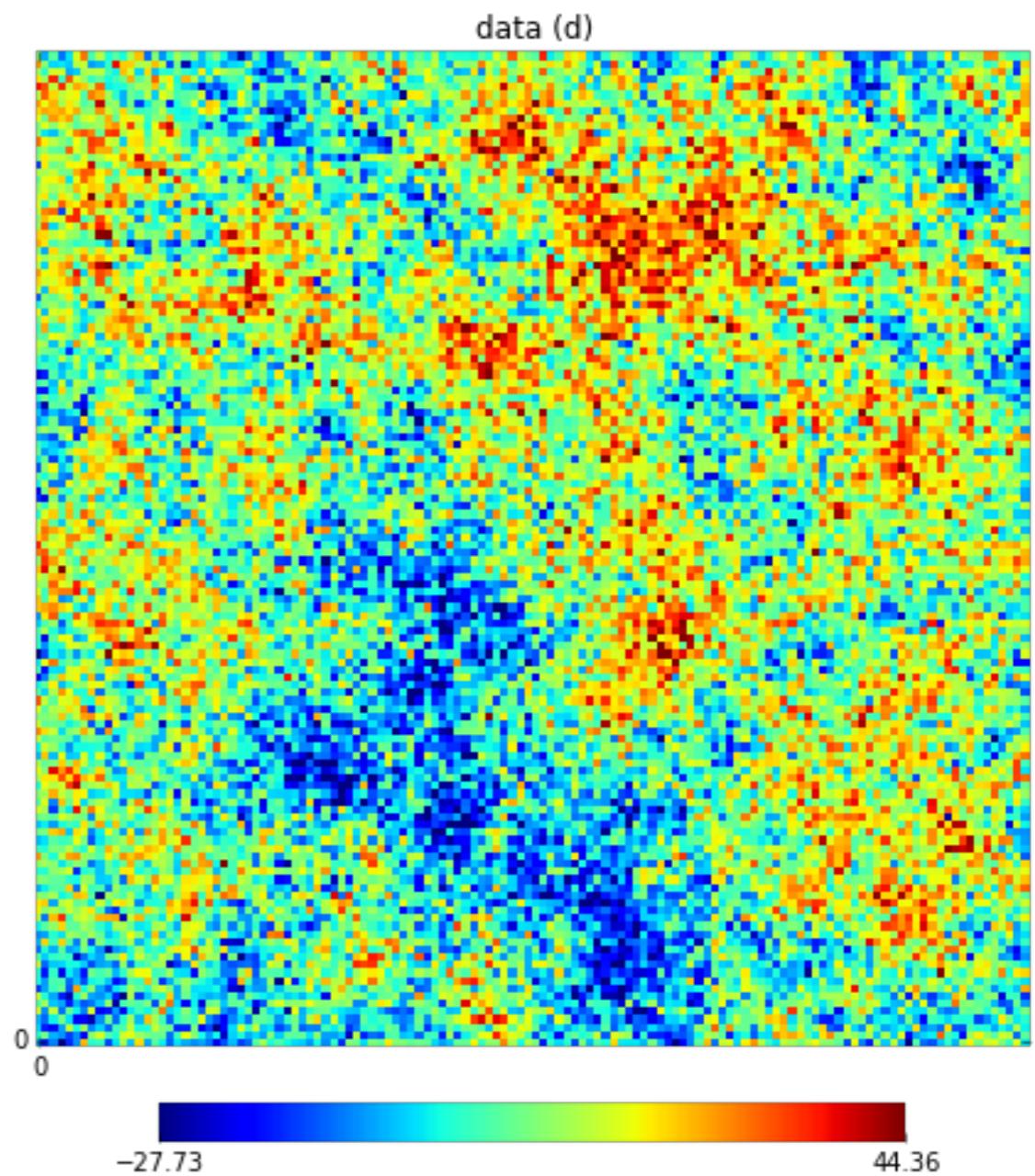


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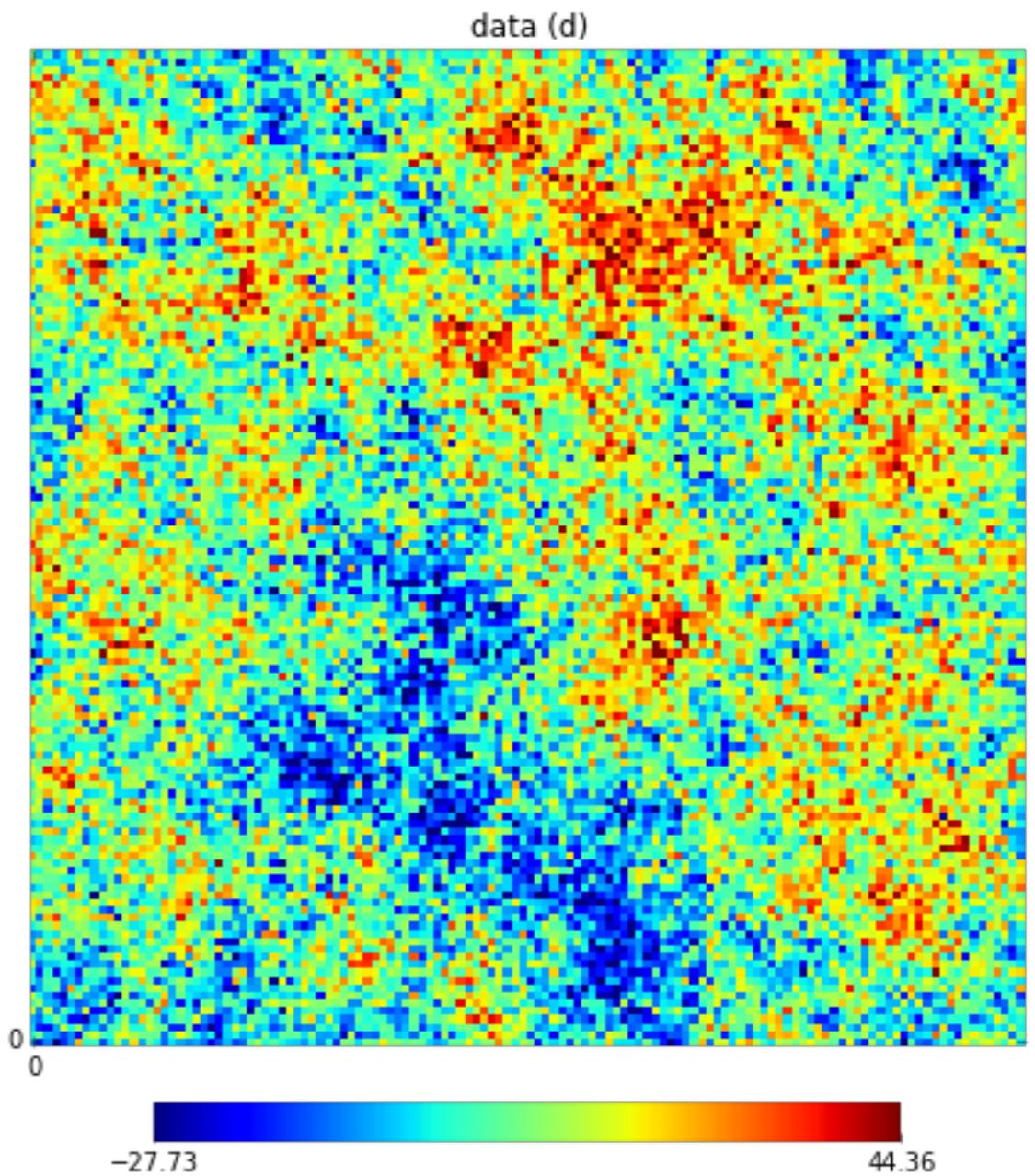
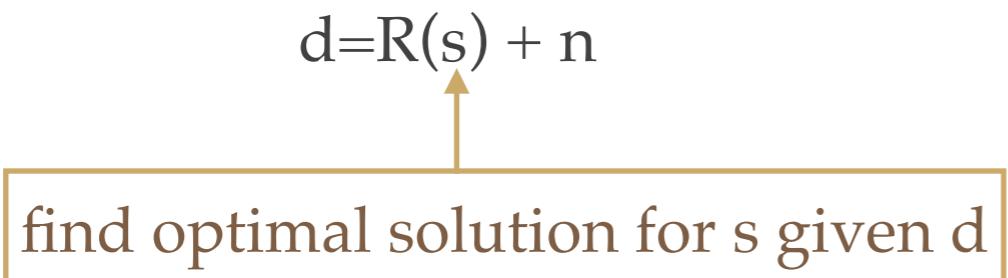
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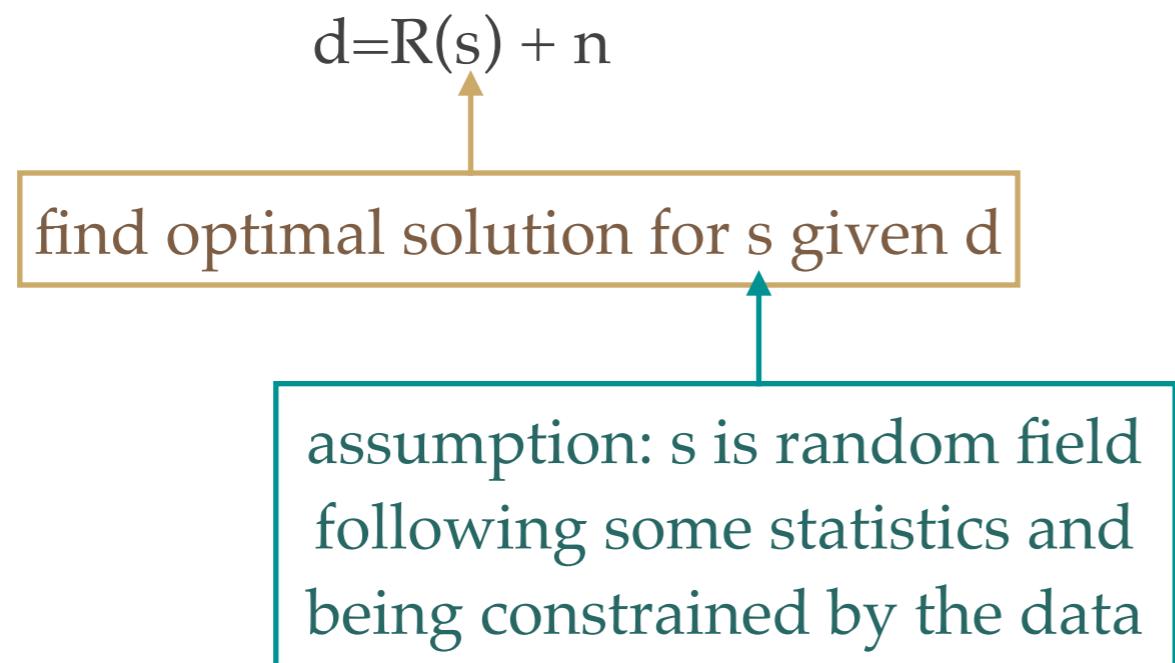
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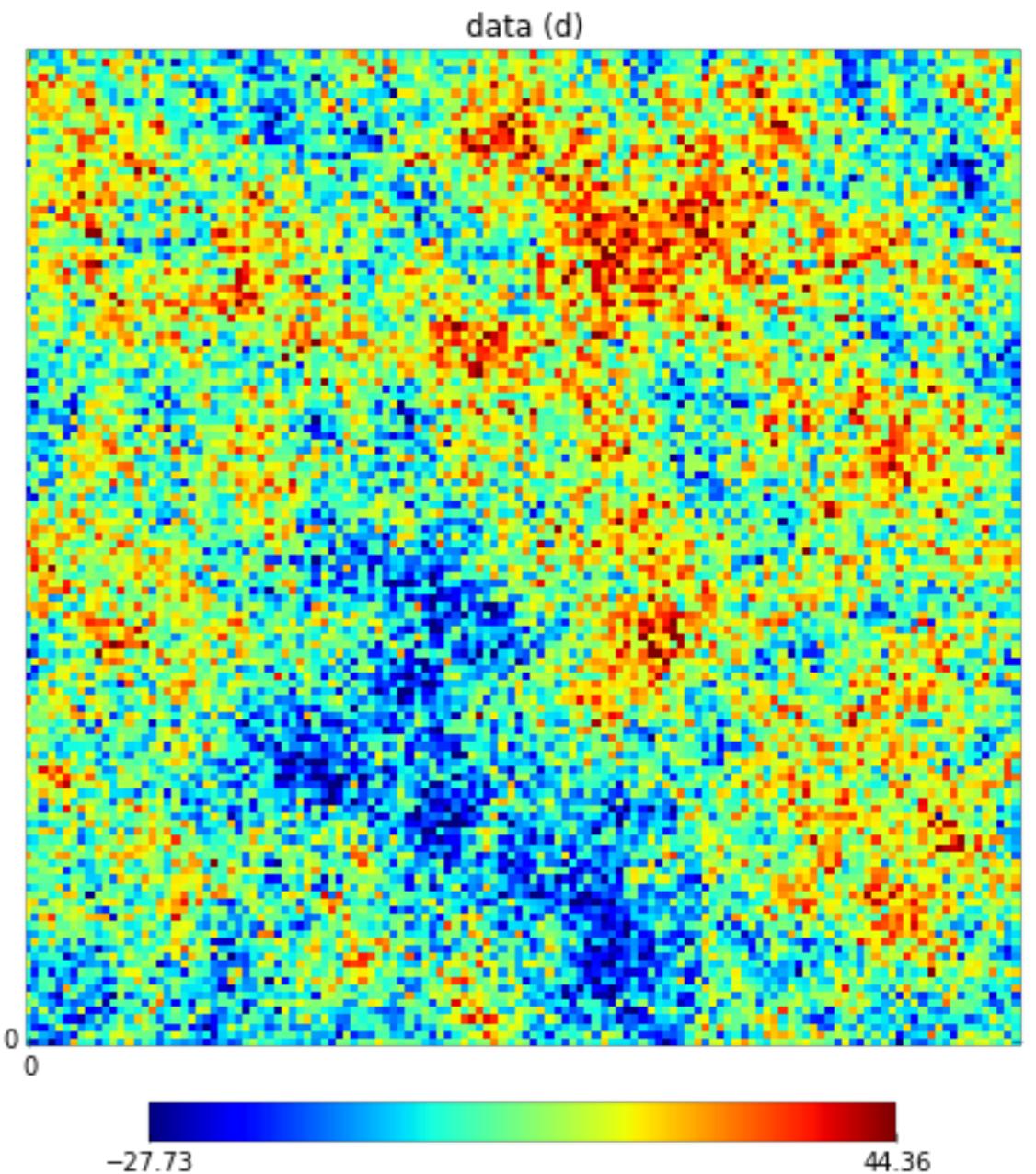
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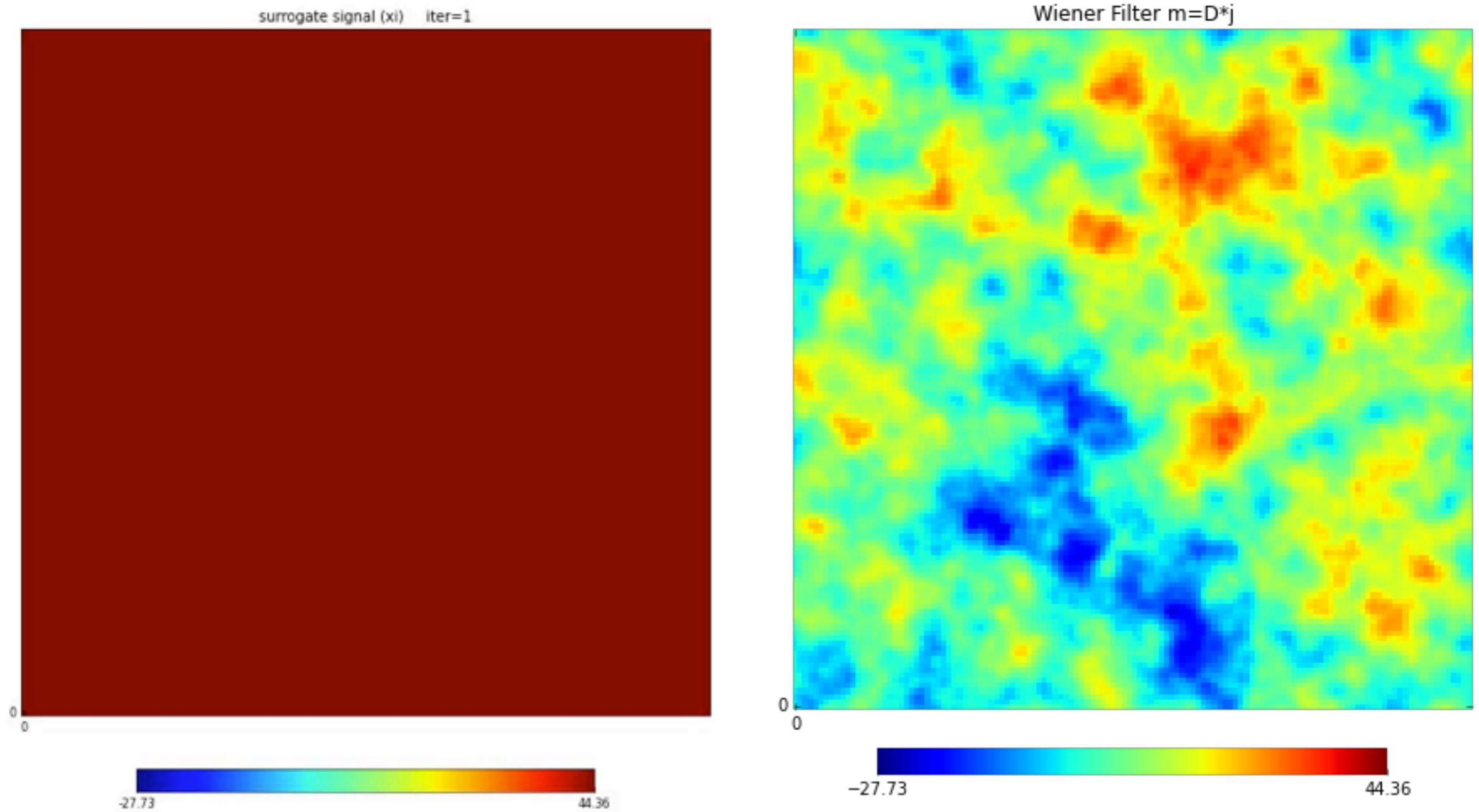
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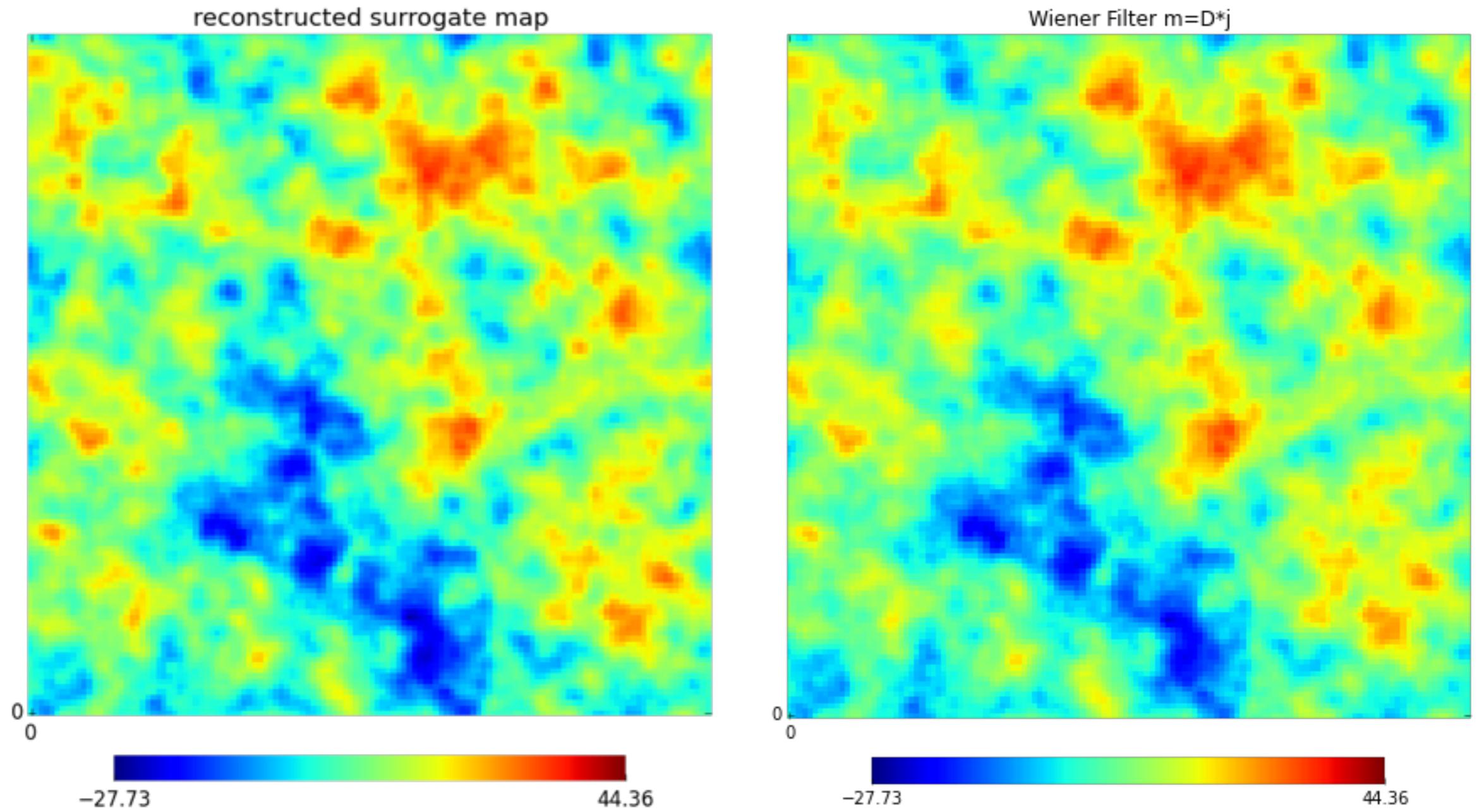
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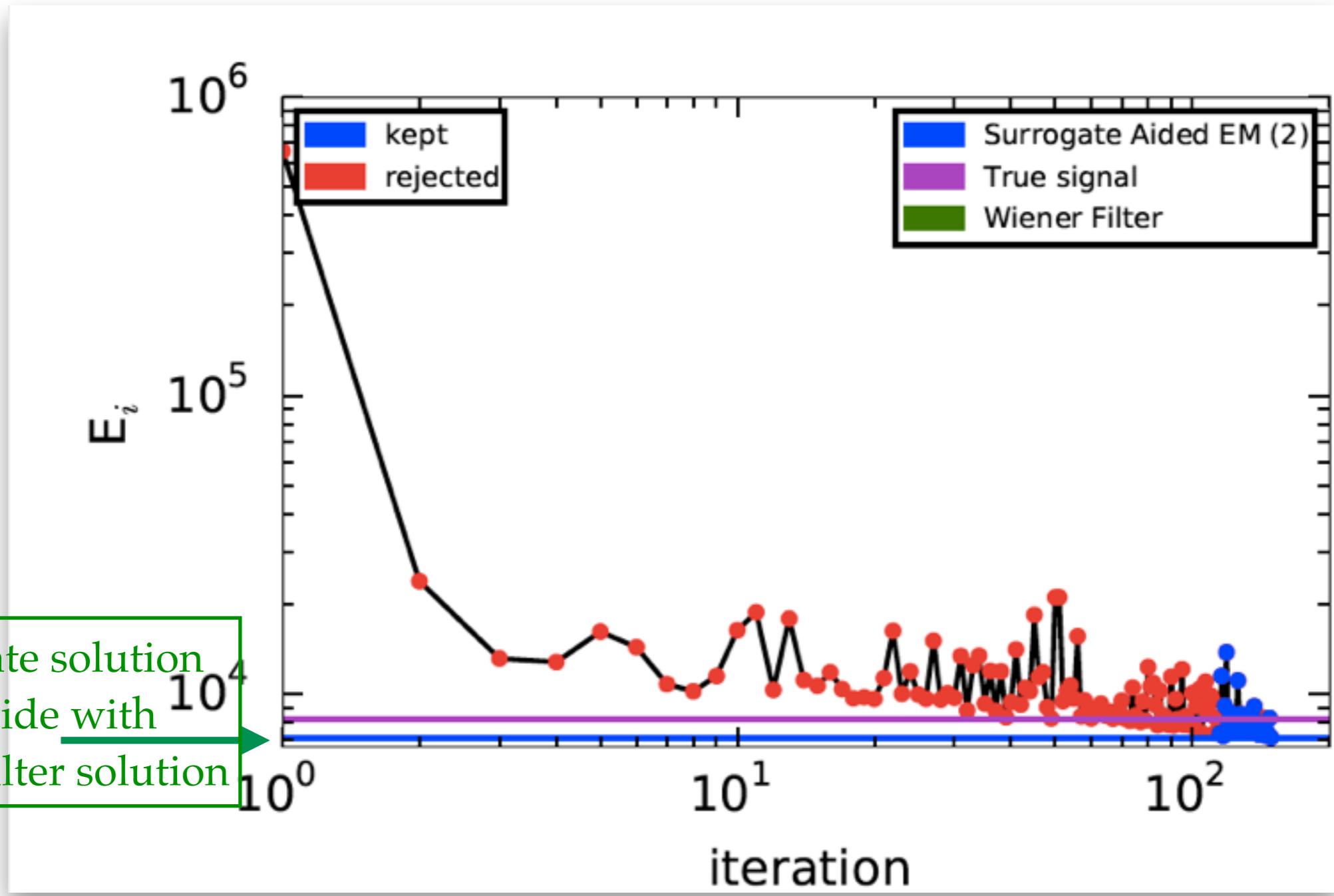
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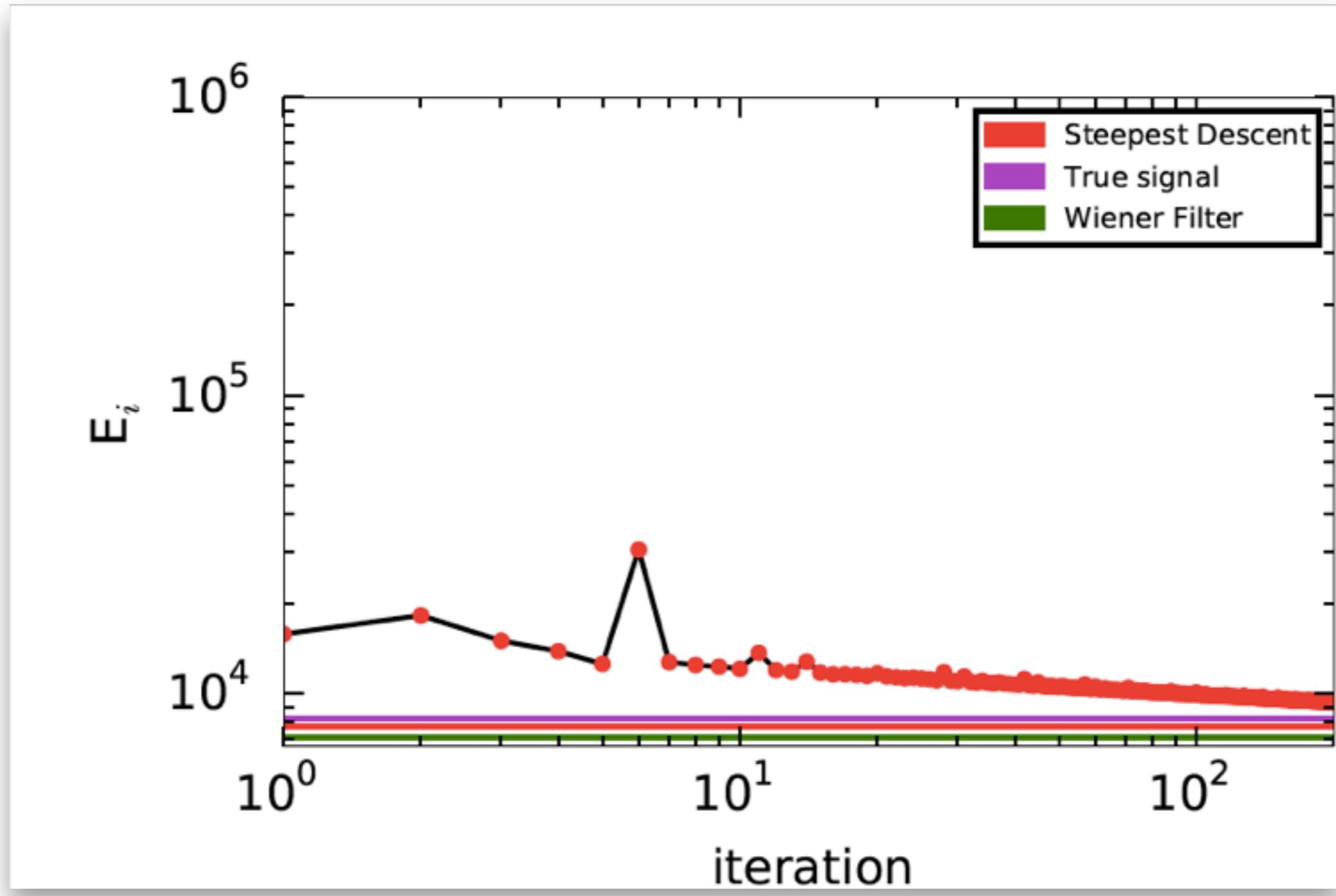
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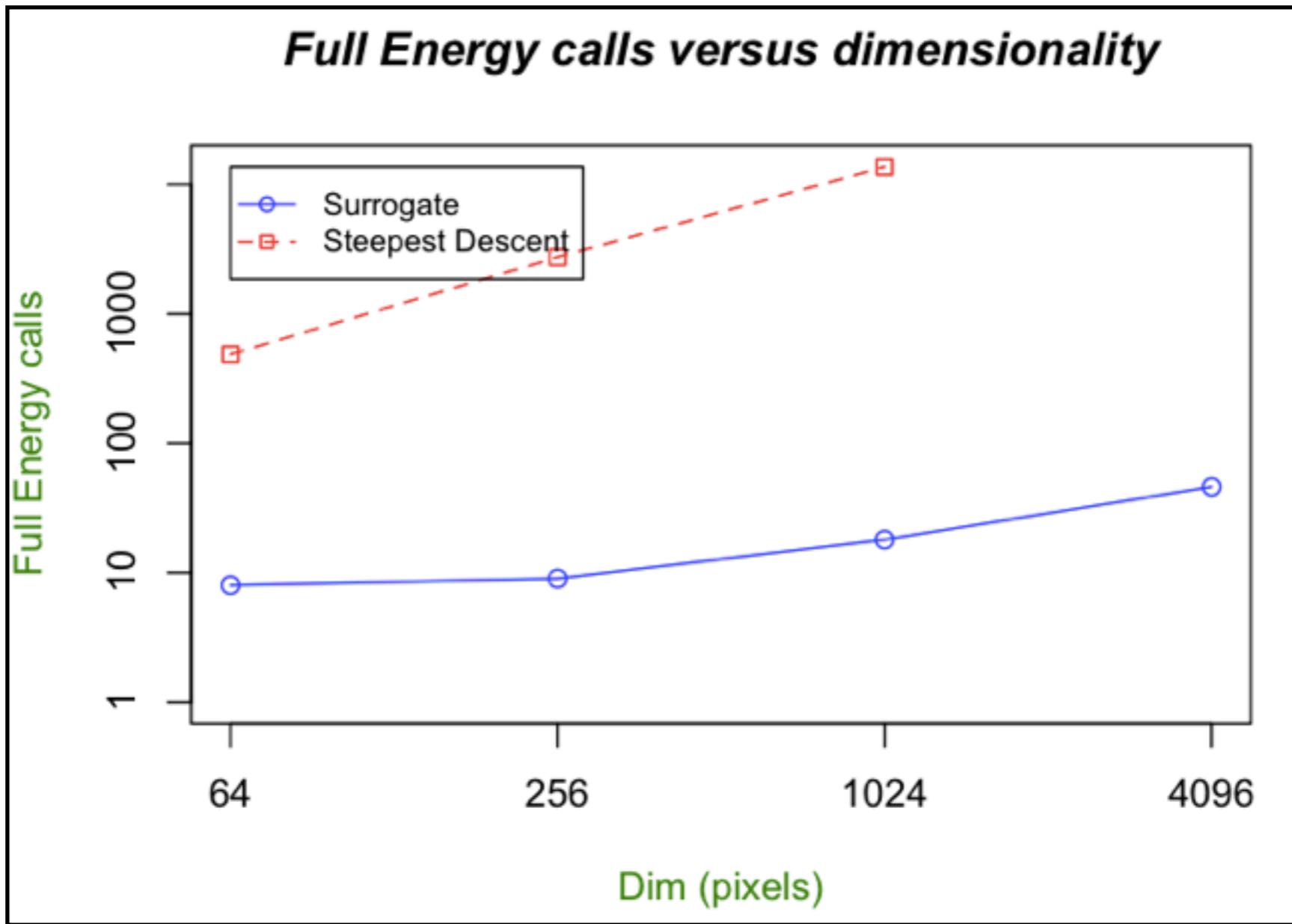
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Conclusion & Summary

- Speed up of computer run of minimisation of Complex Energy function is desired
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 - powerful way to perform Bayesian inference about functions in high-dimensional space
 - non-intrusive approach, but still an approximation
 - reduces number of function evaluations
 - includes sensitivity analysis
- Application in high dimensions of Kriging Surrogate within NIFTY framework is shown
 - can speed up to a **factor of ~100** other optimisation schemes