



## **Active machine learning driven wind tunnel experiments: Realizing the benefits of automation at the UF-BLWT**

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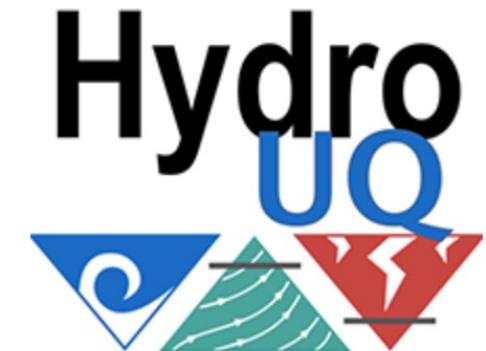
Quantified Uncertainty with  
Optimization for the Finite  
Element Method



Wind Engineering with UQ for  
uncertain response of  
buildings to wind loads



Earthquake Engineering with  
UQ for uncertain response of  
buildings to seismic loads



Building response to water  
loading – tsunami and storm  
surge events

## PBE R2D



Performance Based  
Earthquake Engineering  
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buildings



Regional Resilience  
Determination for regional  
hazards modeling

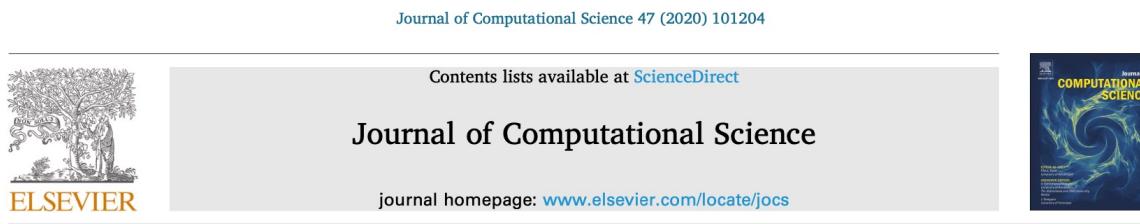
## UQ py

# UQpy



A collection of Python modules used for uncertainty quantification and propagation

- Includes commonly applied methods and new developments
- Serves as a UQ toolbox and a Python development environment
- Developed collaboratively by members of SURG
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  - Contributors: Dimitris Giovanis, Audrey Olivier, Aakash Bangalore Satish, Lohit Vandana, Mohit Chauhan, Katiana Kontolati, Dimitris Loukrezis, Ketson R.M. dos Santos
- Version control through git (requires Python 3)
  - Version 3.1.4 available for download/installation via GitHub (<https://github.com/SURGroup/UQpy>)
- Available on the Python Package Index (PyPI) and Conda (pip install UQpy)

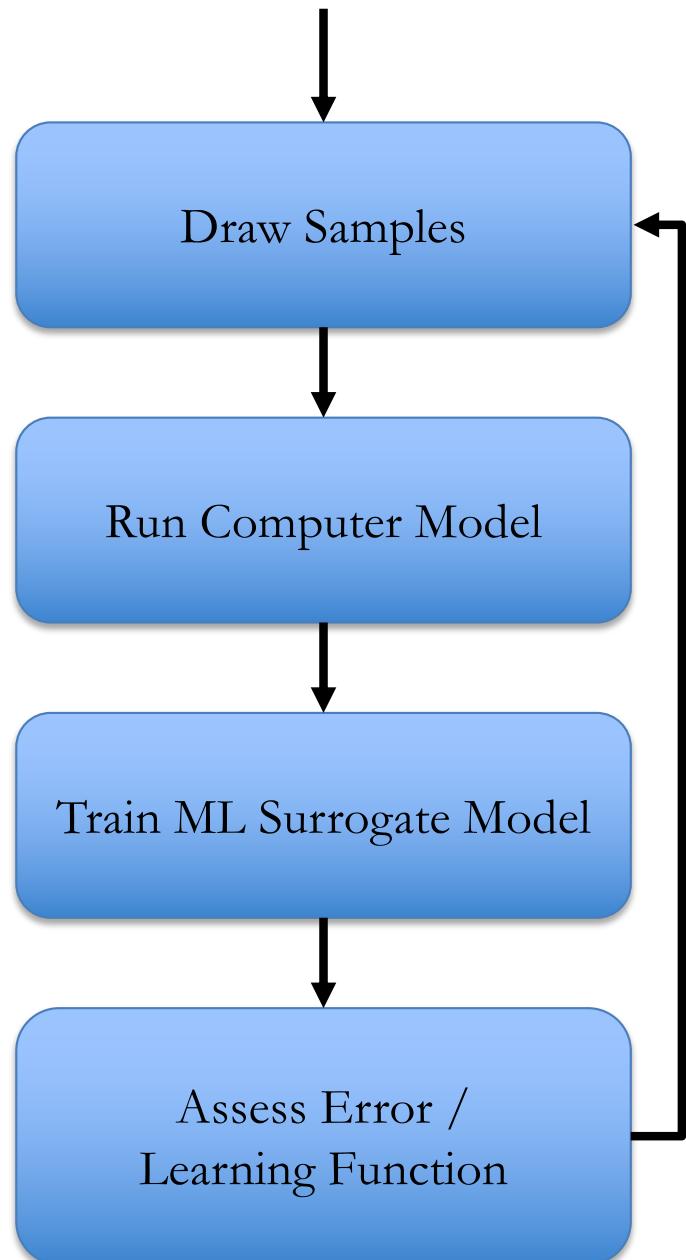


UQpy: A general purpose Python package and development environment for uncertainty quantification



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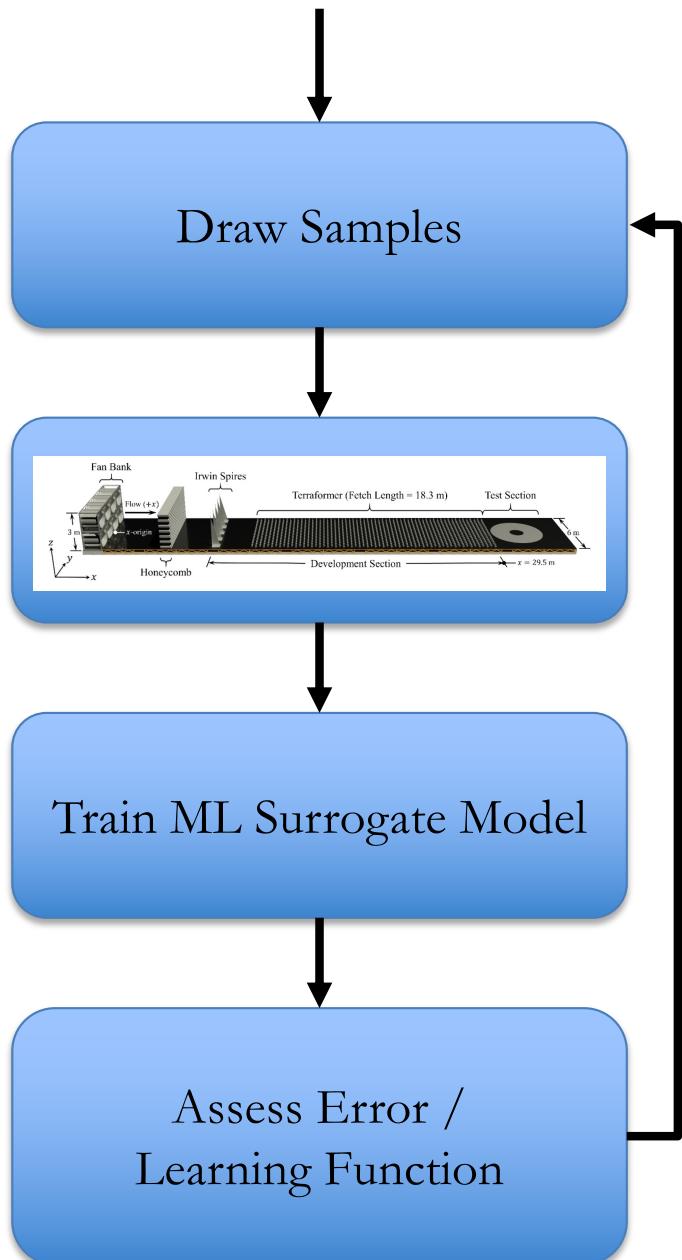
# Active Learning for UQ

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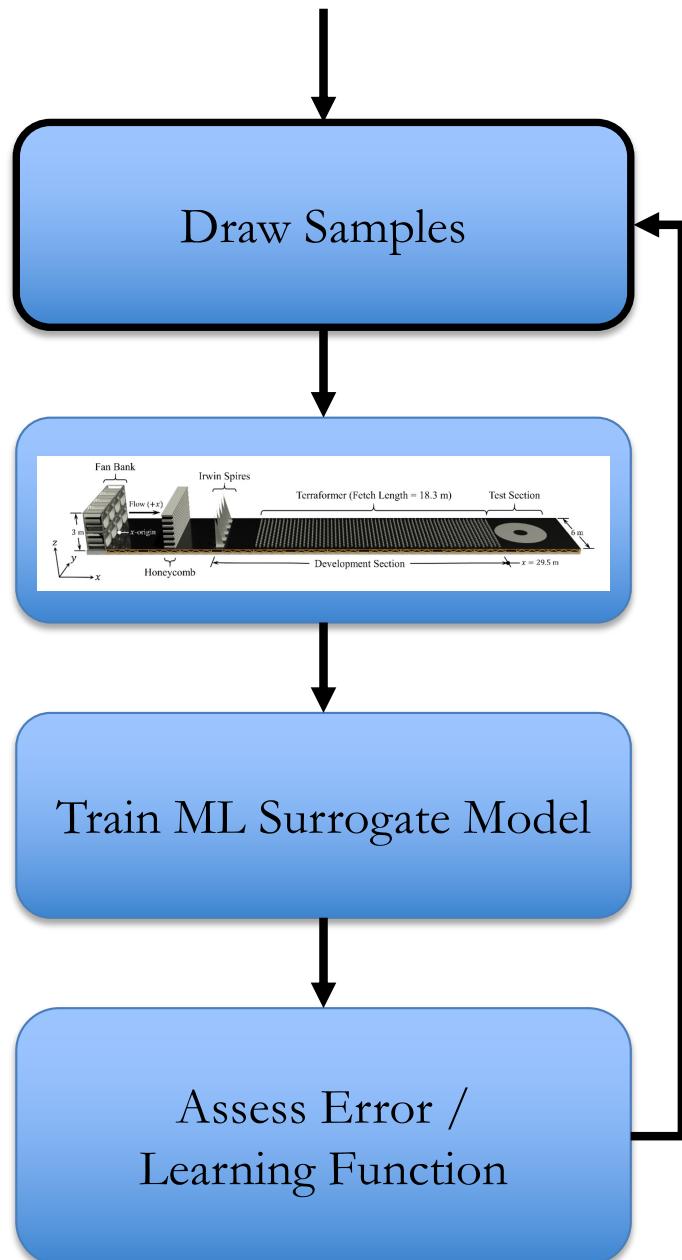
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Developed the **Expected Improvement for Global Fit** function to adaptive construct accurate surrogates.

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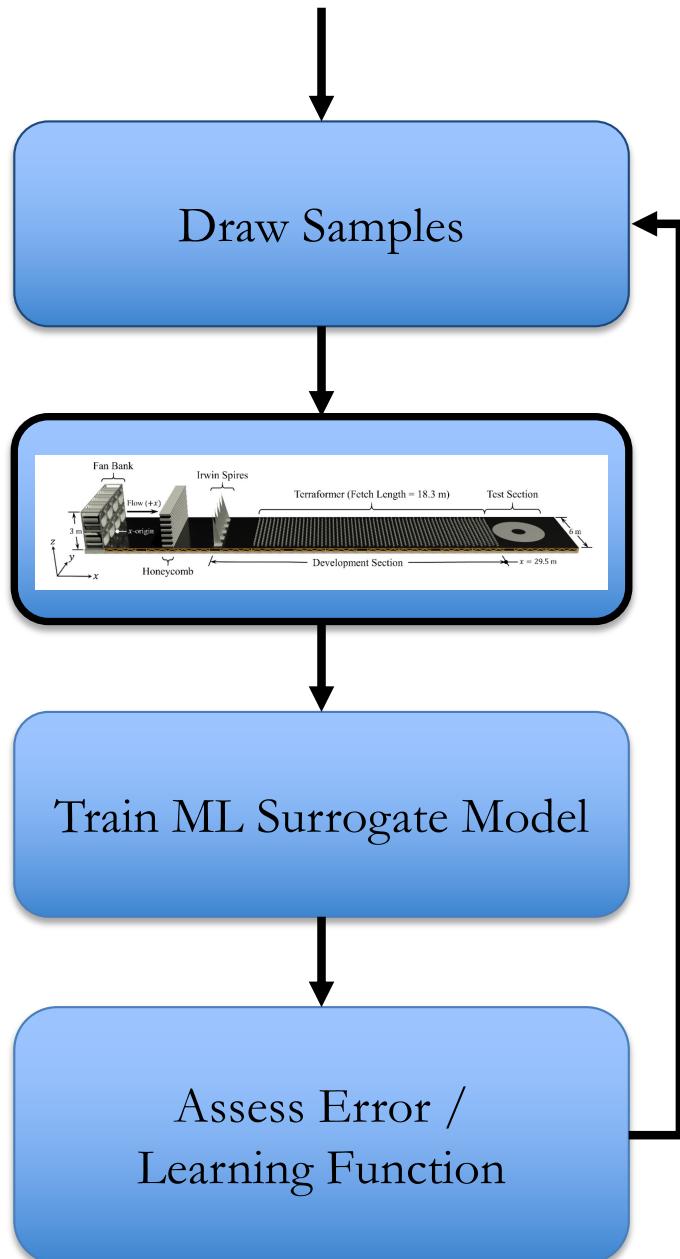
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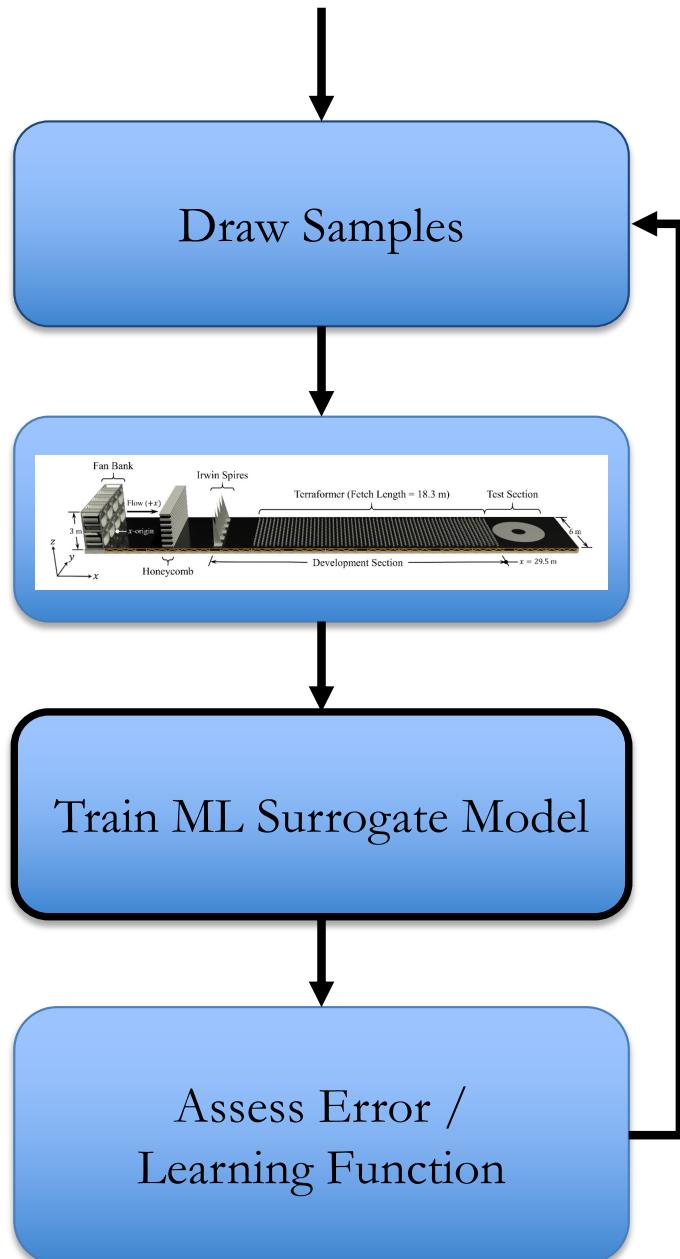
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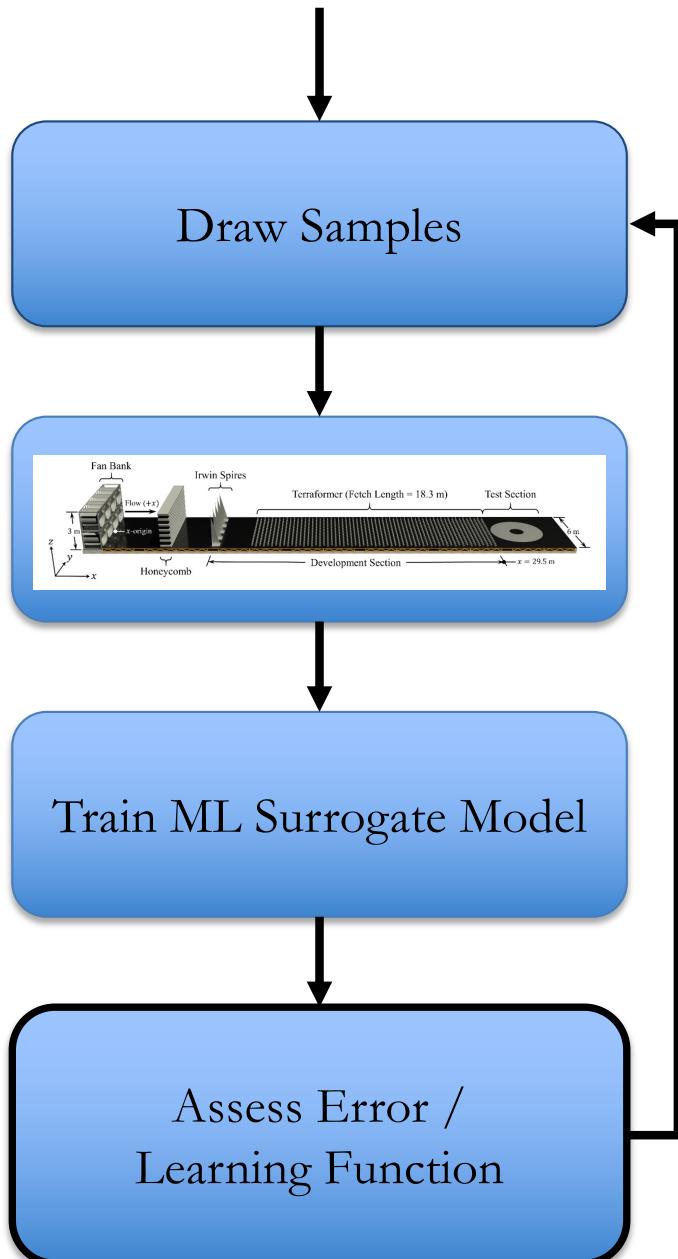


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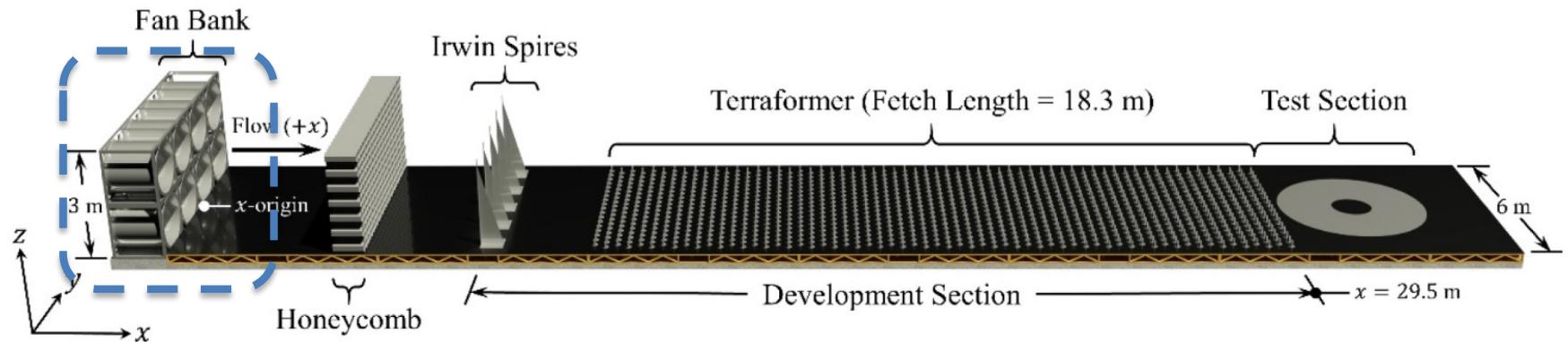
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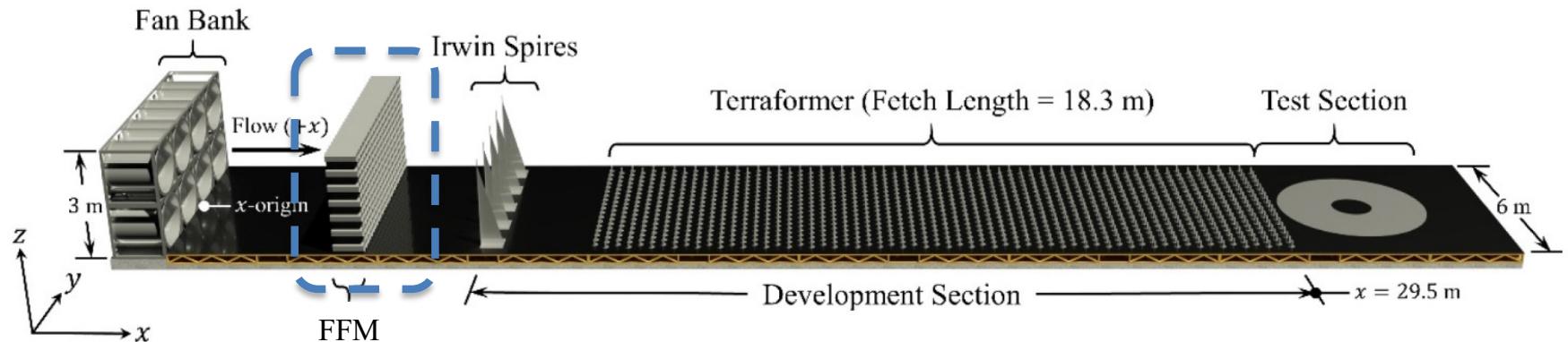
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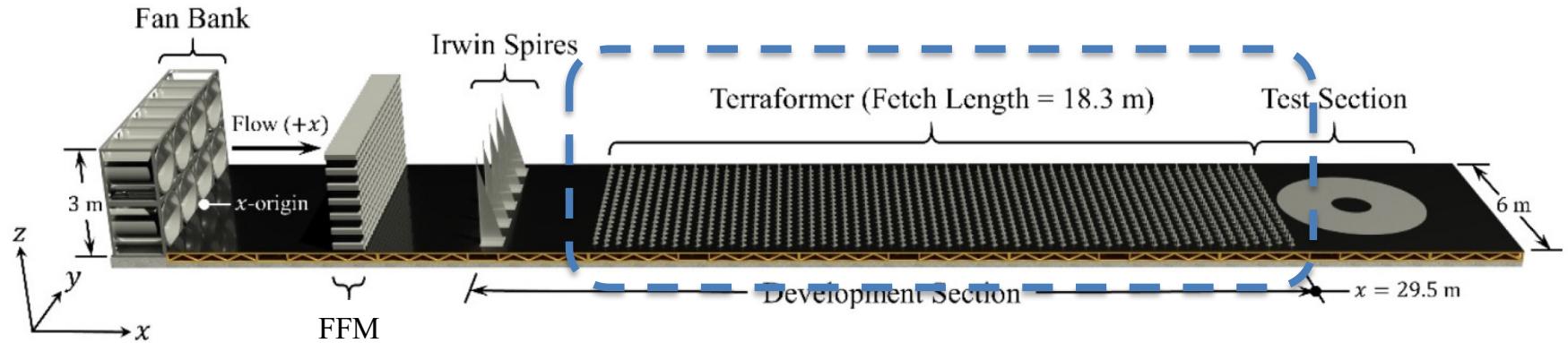
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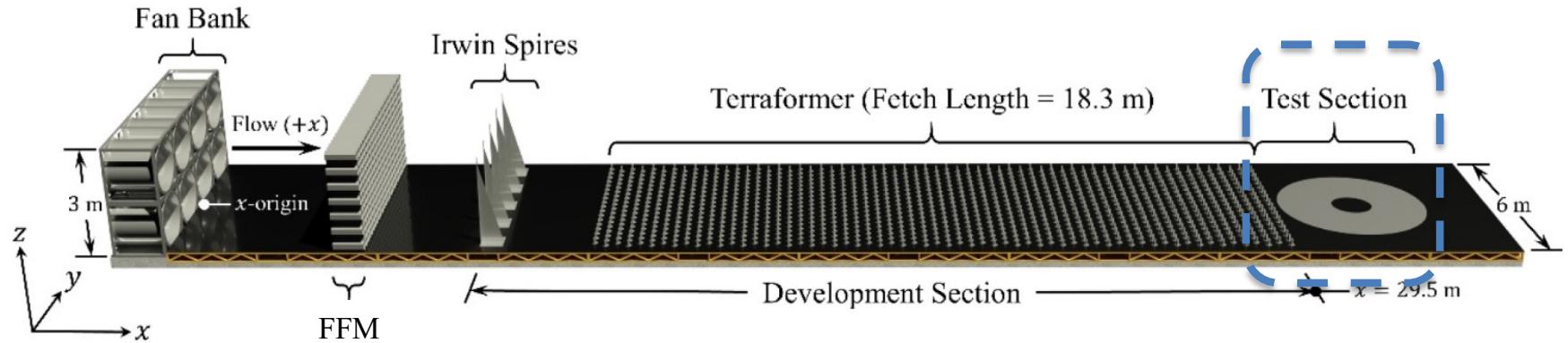
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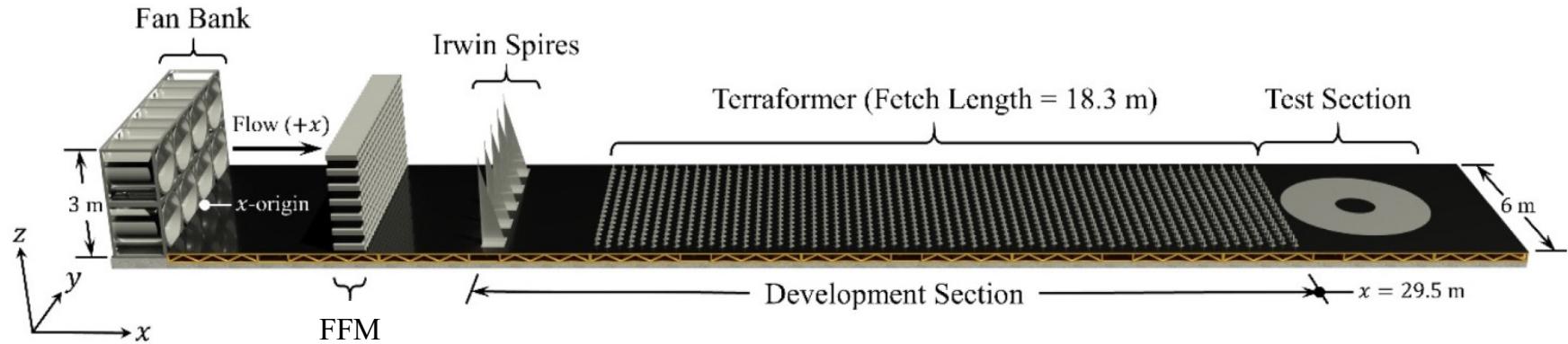
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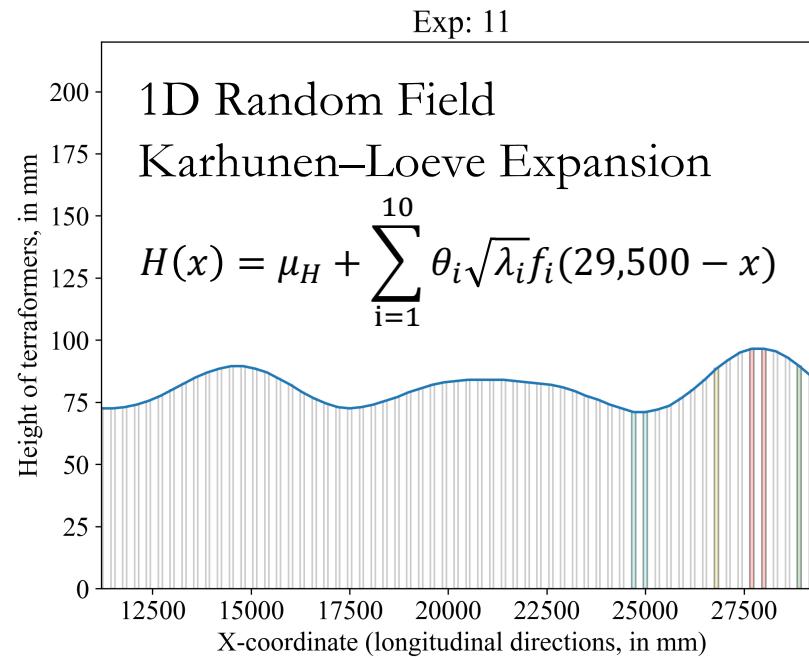
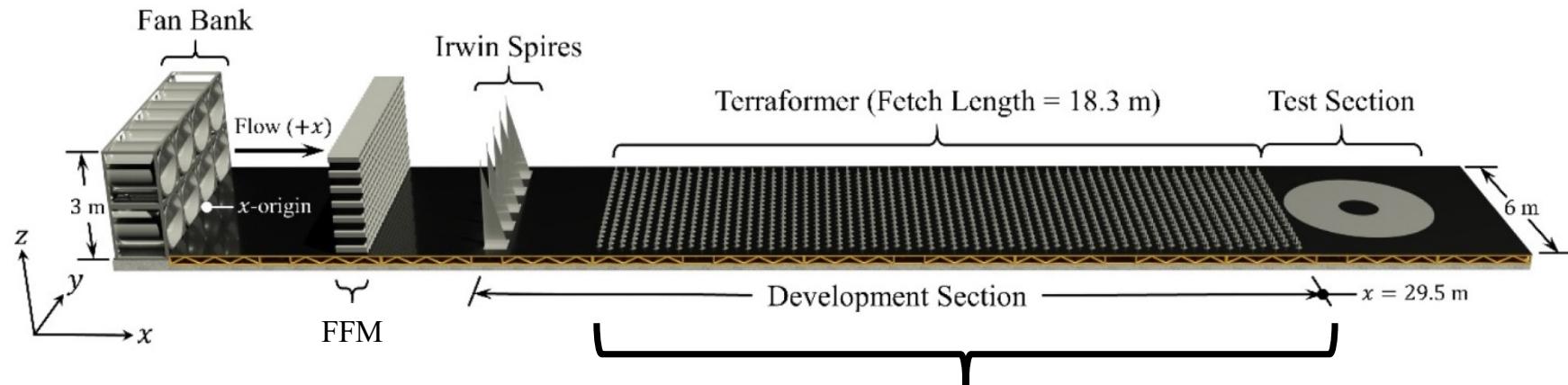


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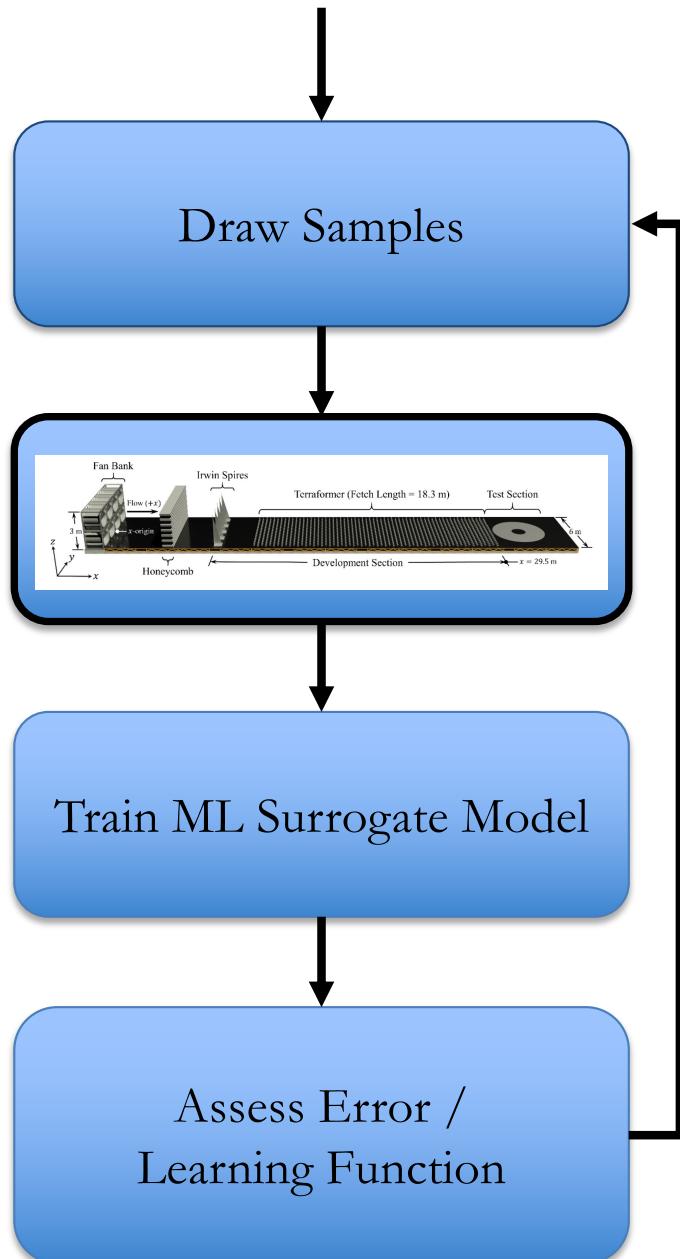
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**The number of different ways the UF BLWT can be configured is enormous**

# Terraformer Parameterized



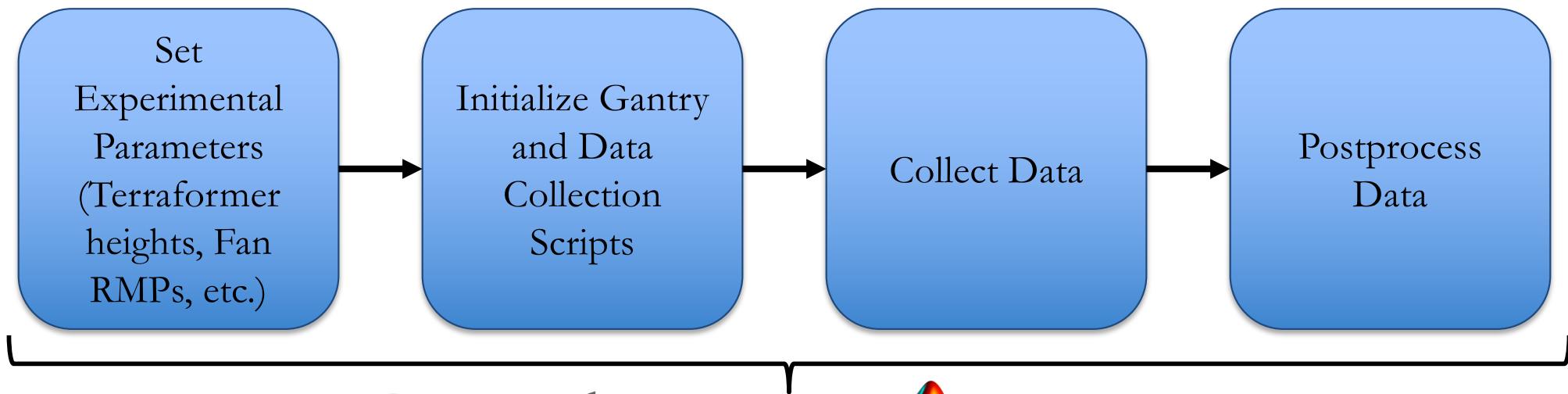
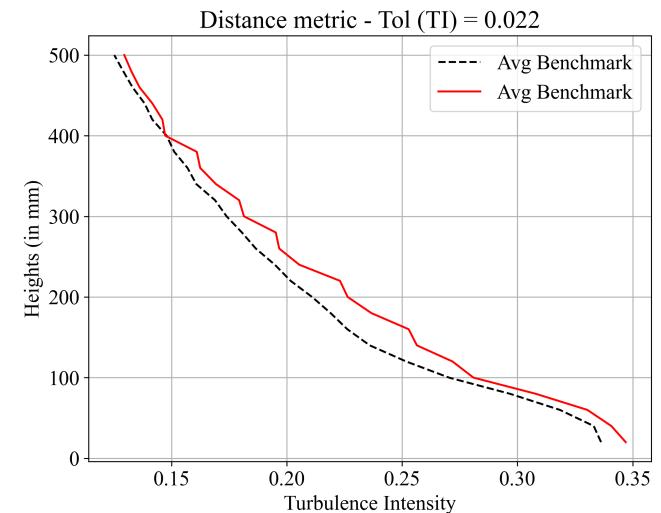
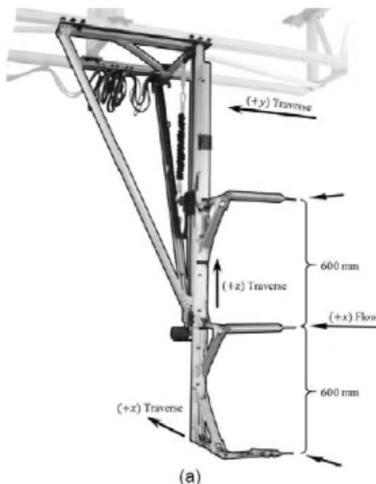
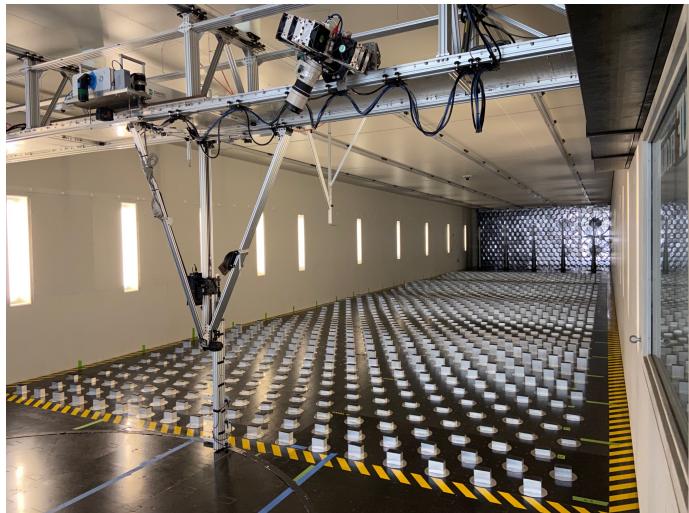
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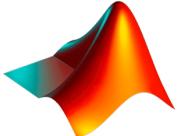
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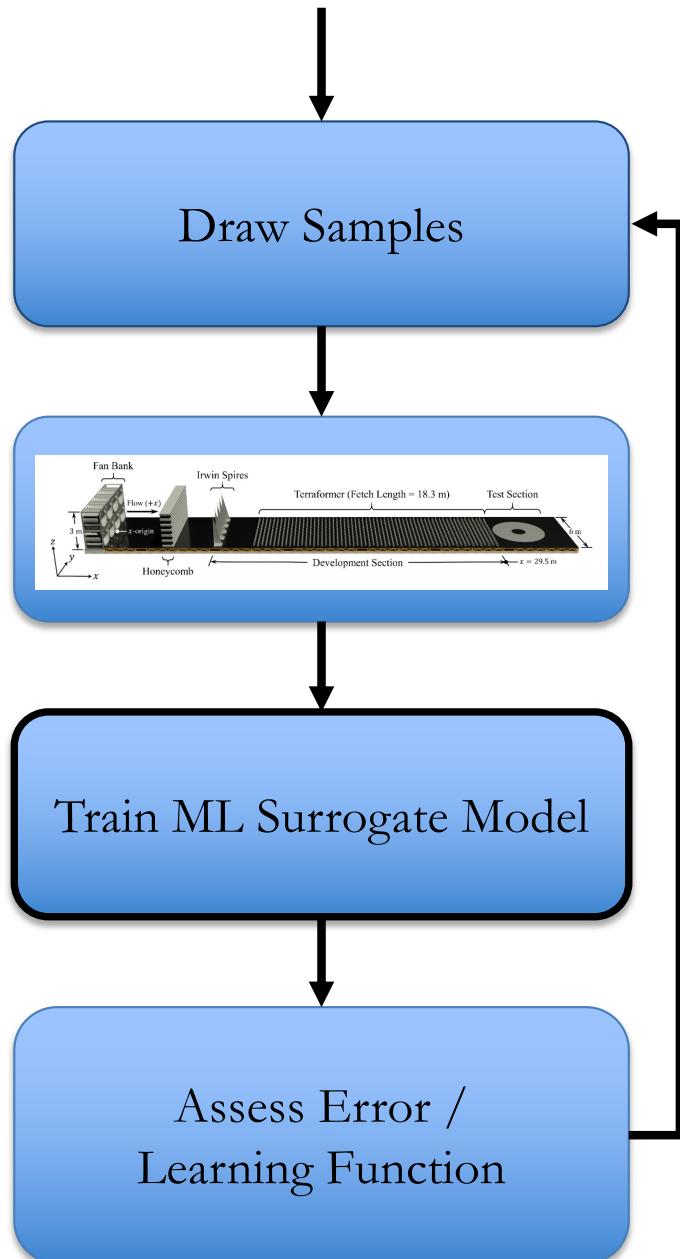
# Automation



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 MATLAB®

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# Machine Learning Models

## We use Gaussian Process Regression

Many other flavors of ML models exist

- Artificial Neural Networks
  - Deep or Shallow Neural Networks
  - Convolutional Neural Networks
  - Recursive Neural Networks
  - Physics Informed Neural Networks
- Polynomial Chaos Expansions
- Support Vector Regression

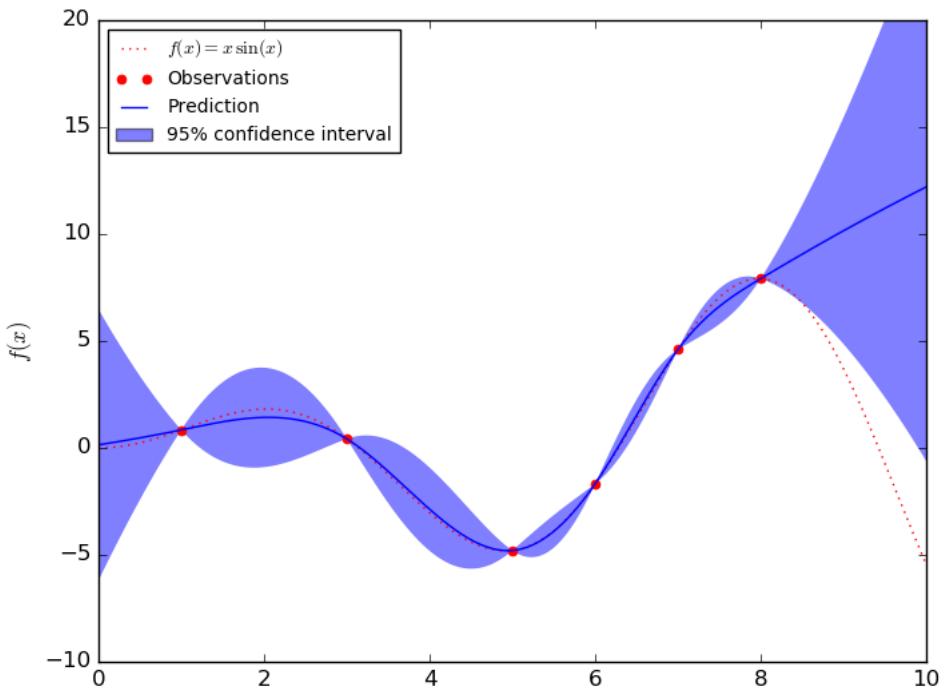
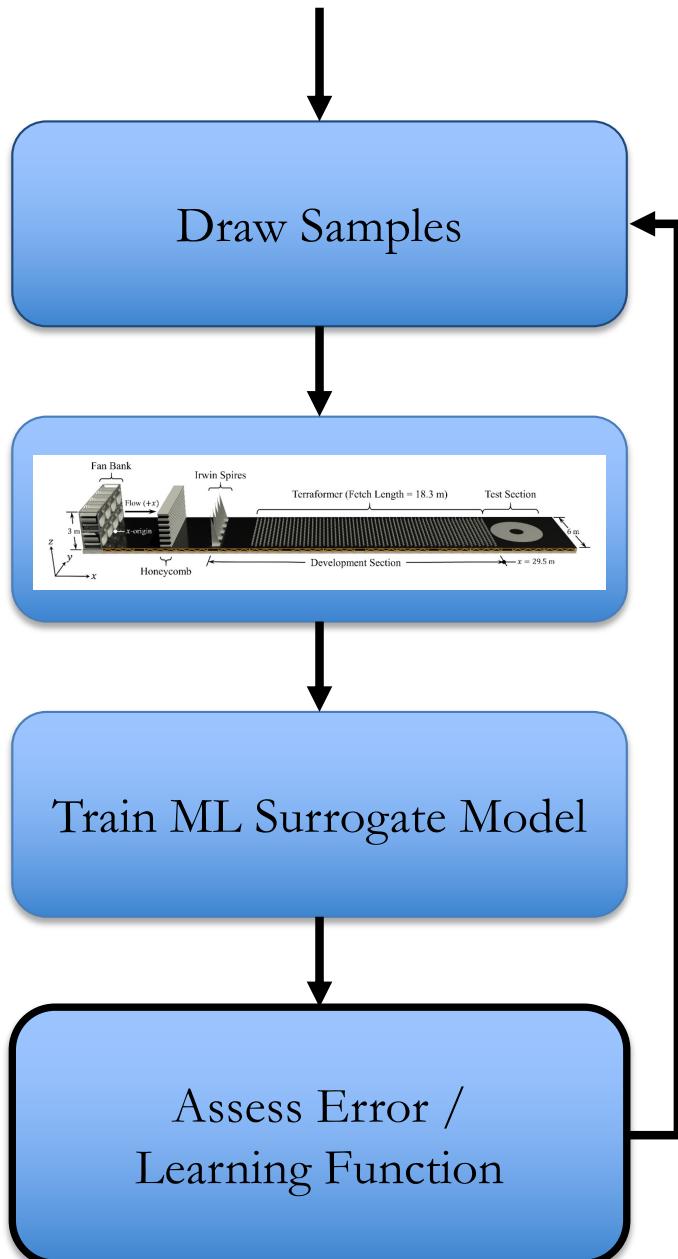


Image from scikit-learn documentation

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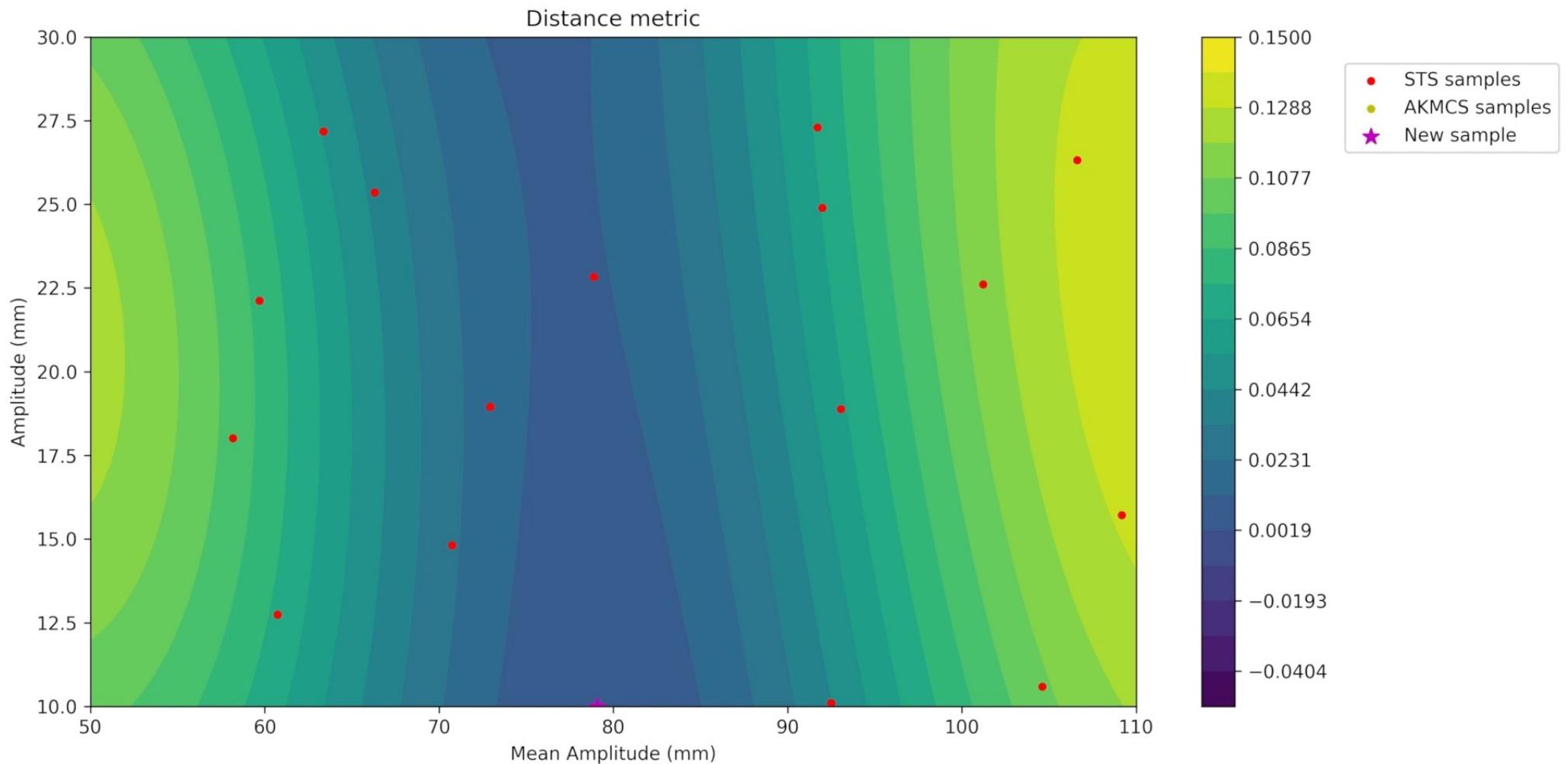
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# Learning Functions

Learning Function	Expression	Objective
Noisy U-function	$U_n(\theta) = \frac{\mu_g(\theta)}{\sqrt{\sigma_g^2(\theta) - \sigma_\epsilon^2(\theta)}}$	<p><b>Goal:</b> Conduct experiments along the surface separating the 2<sup>nd</sup> order equivalent and non-equivalent regions.</p> <p><b>How:</b> Conduct experiments that have the highest probability of incorrectly predicting the sign of the performance function.</p>
Noisy EIGF (Expected Improvement for Global Fit)	$E[I_n(\theta)] = (\mu_g(\theta) - g(\theta^*))^2 + \sigma_g^2(\theta) - \sigma_\epsilon^2(\theta)$	<p><b>Goal:</b> Conduct experiments that globally best approximate the performance function.</p> <p><b>How:</b> Conduct experiments that have both high prediction uncertainty and large difference from nearby experiments</p>
MUSIC	$\mathcal{J}(\theta_j^{(i)}) = (\mu_{A^{(i)}}(\theta_j^{(i)}) - \mu_{A^{(i)}}(\theta^*))^2 + \sigma_{A^{(i)}}^2(\theta_j^{(i)})$	<p><b>Goal:</b> Conduct experiments that allow efficient computation of sensitivity indices.</p> <p><b>How:</b> Conduct experiments that have both high prediction uncertainty and large differences from nearby experiments in conditional GP</p>

# Results

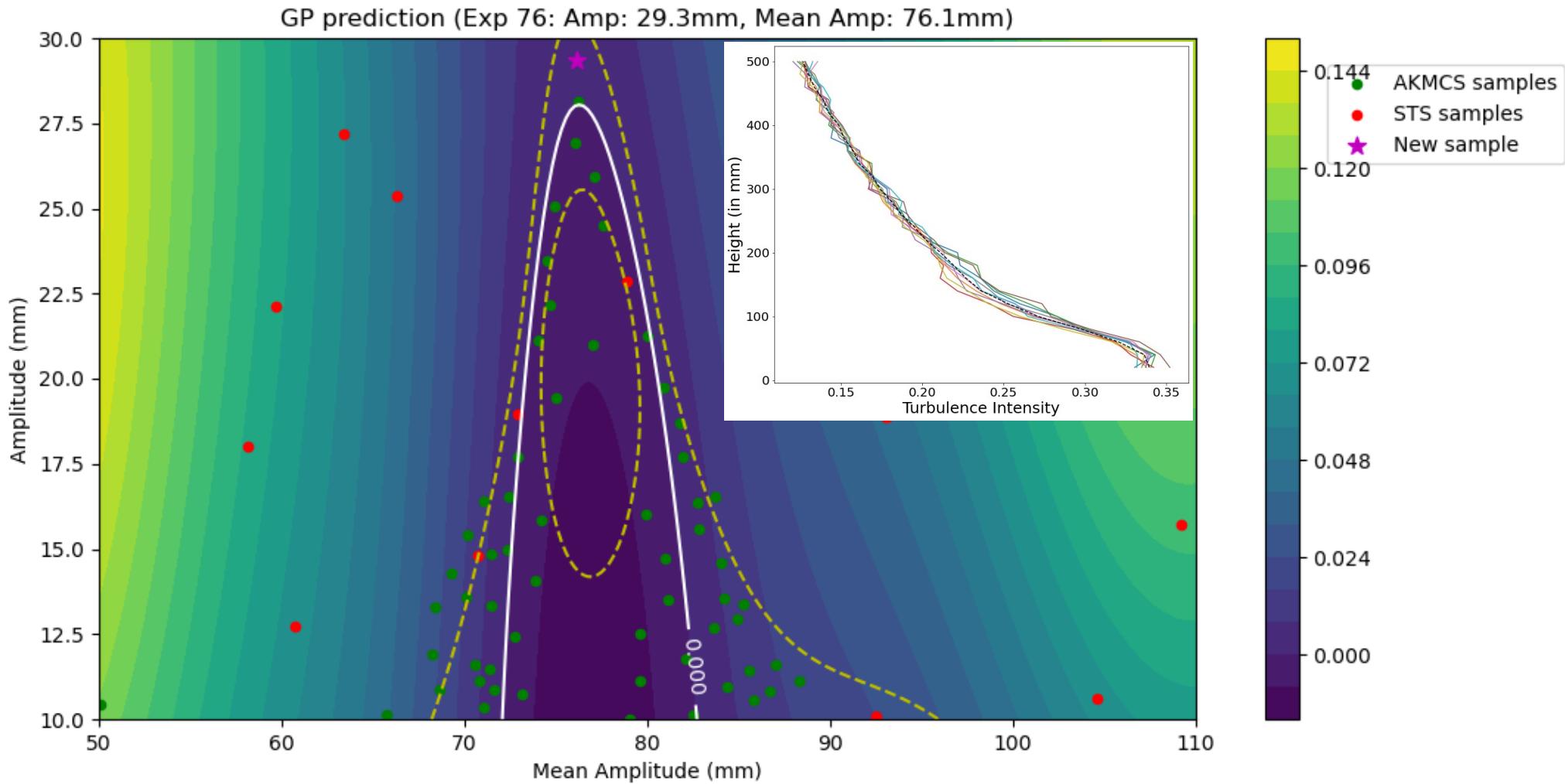
Over 1000 experiments conducted in the past 2 years!



900+ unique terraformer configurations

# Results

Much of this data will be published to DesignSafe



# Thank You!

