

Toward Automated Multi-Fidelity Model Calibration

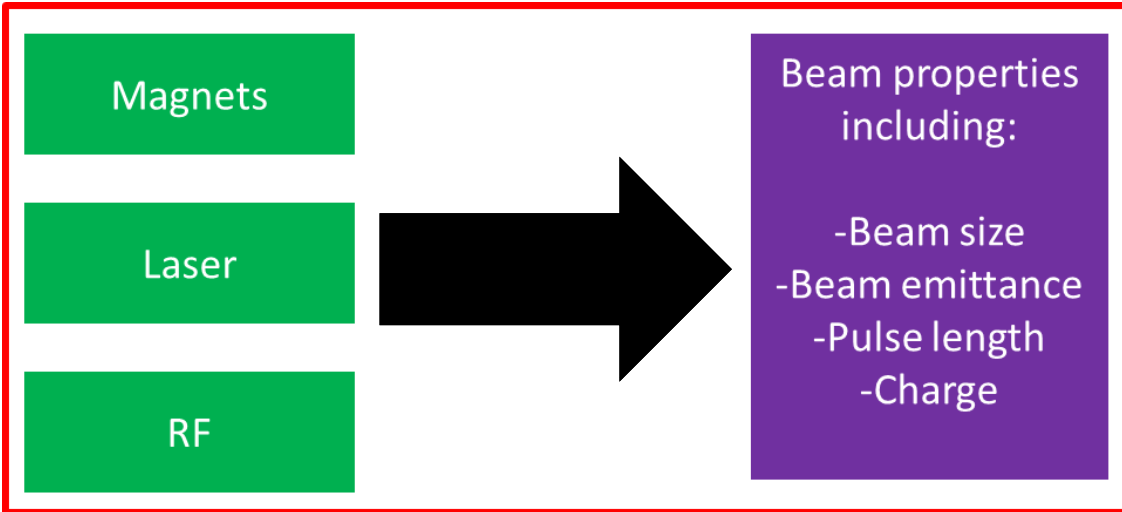
For Accelerator Physics Simulations

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Goals & Definitions



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Physics-Based Simulations

Analytic Model

Data-Driven Model

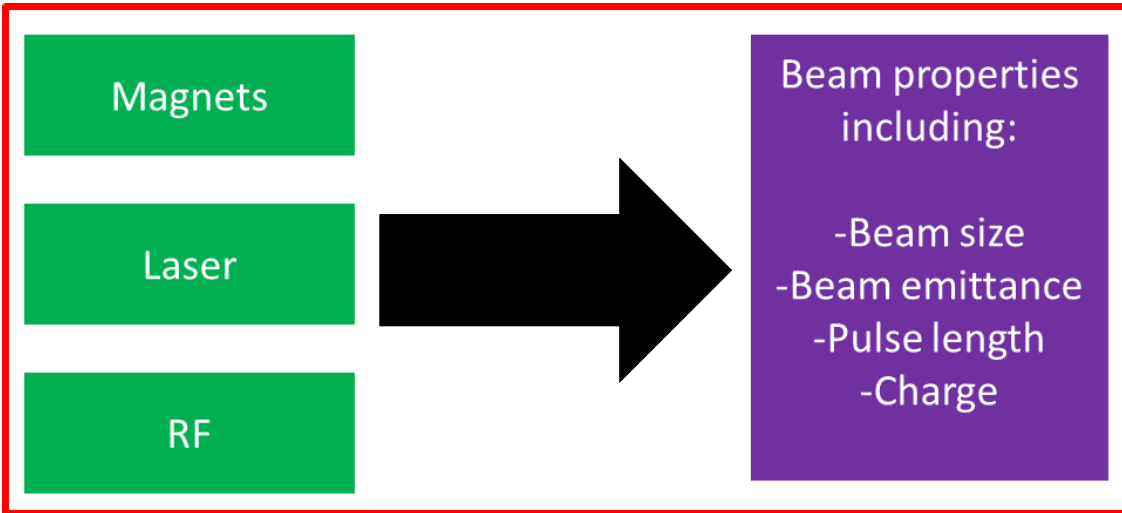
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- Fast & incorporates nuances of simulation
- Differentiable!
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Need accurate models for high precision accelerator control!

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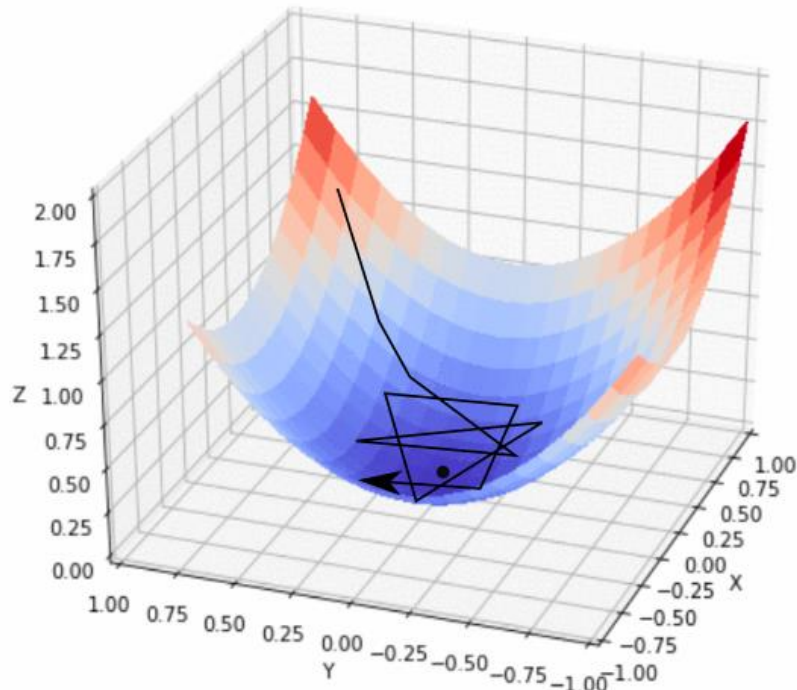
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Accurate Model Predictions Required!

$$\arg \min \|d_{obs} - f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\|_1$$

- Considerations: choosing an approach
 - Model execution time/cost
 - Model types
 - Desired information
 - Amount of data

Consider
Goals &
Applications!



Goal: Calibrate
Models

Goal:
Automated
Approach

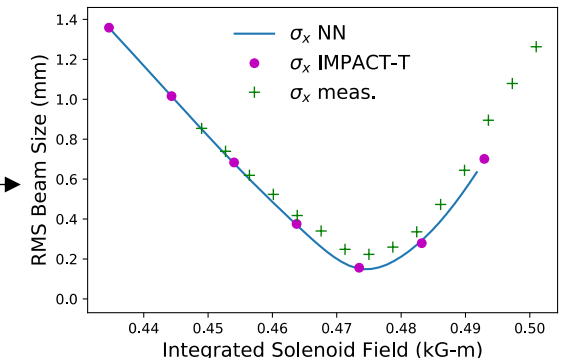
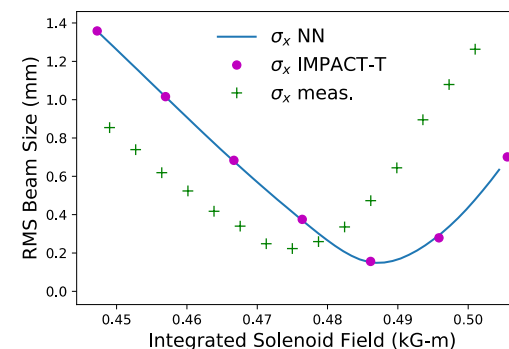
Challenge:
Collective
Effects

Challenge: Slow
Simulation
Execution

Challenge:
Uncertainty
Quantification

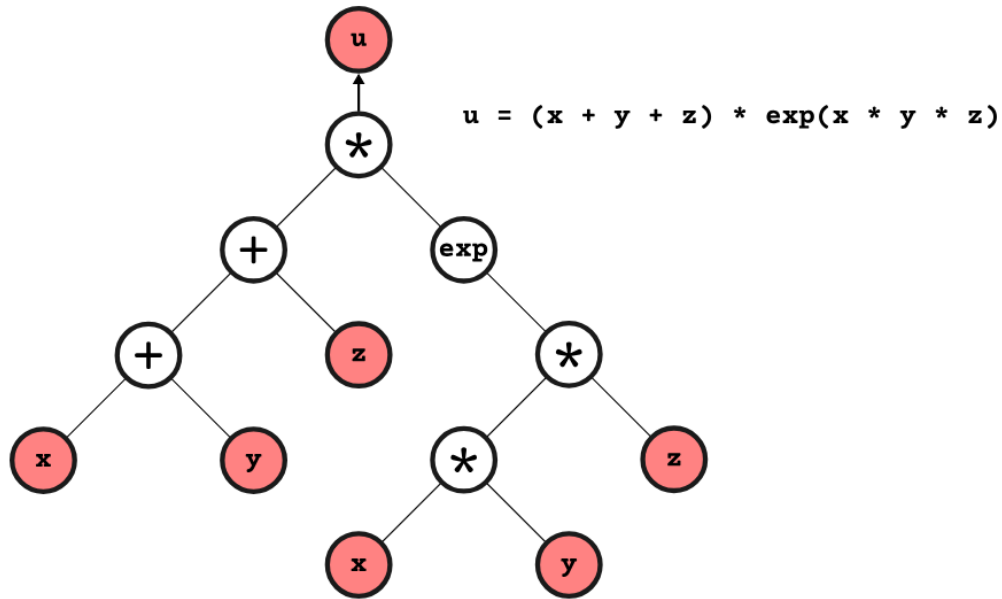
Challenge: Lots
of Information in
Tails of Beam

Challenge:
Simulation
Differentiability

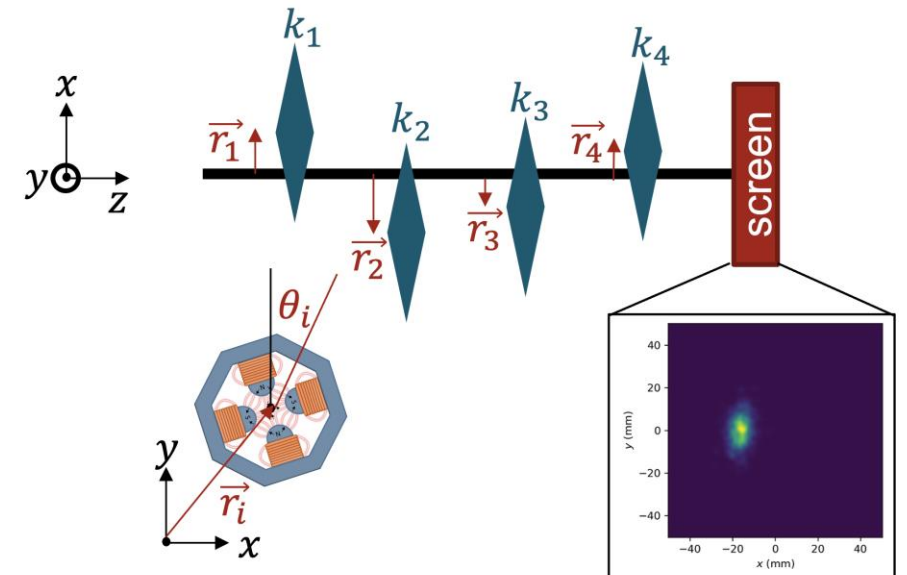


Differentiable Programming & Simulation

- Keeping track of derivatives
- Critical concept in ML
- For model calibration, allows for quick optimization using autodiff

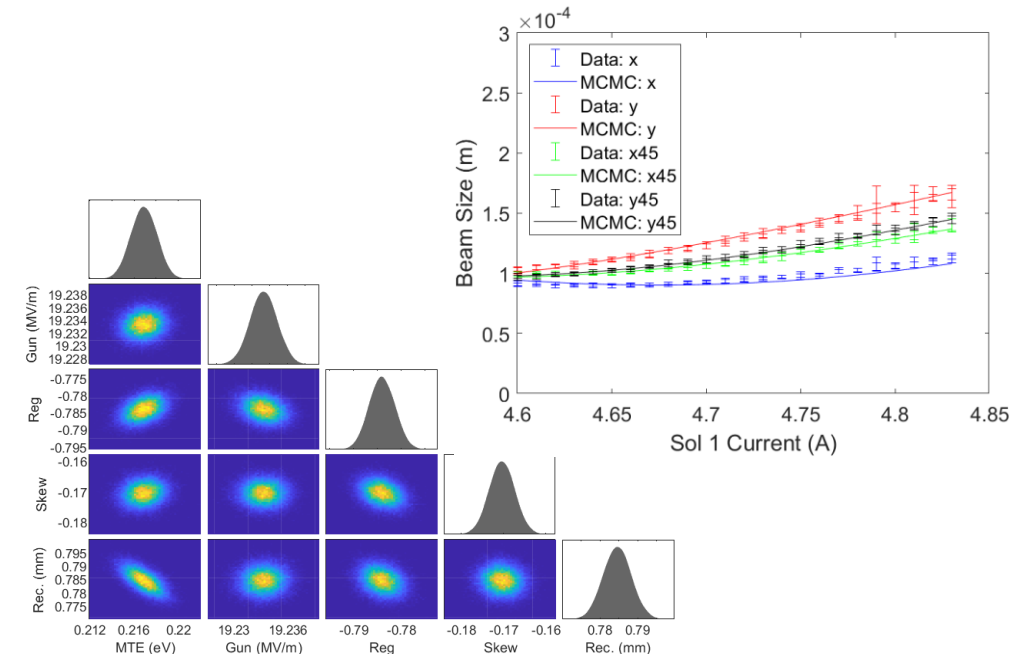
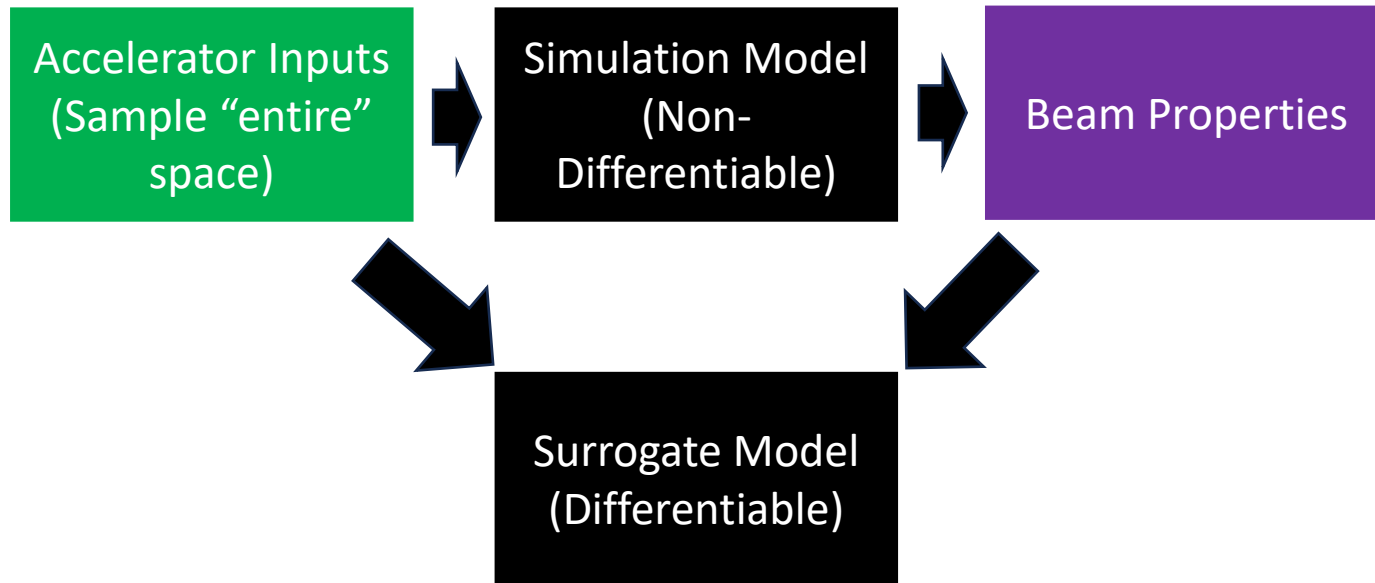
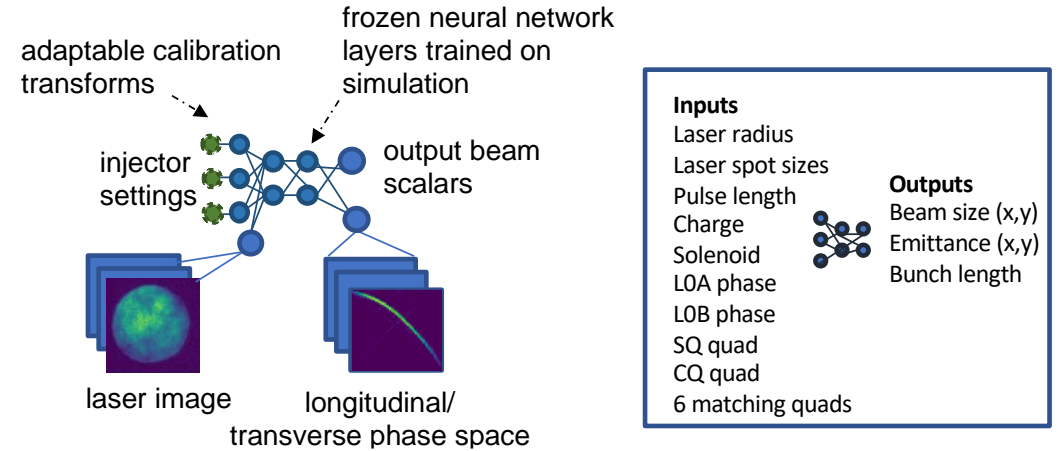


- Using differentiable simulator to track derivatives
- Ongoing work using Bmad-X and Cheetah
- Basic example/proof of concept here:
 - <https://github.com/bmad-sim/Bmad-X/blob/main/docs/examples/optimization/model-calibration-and-differentiable-histograms.ipynb>



But what do we do if simulations are not differentiable?
(General case...)

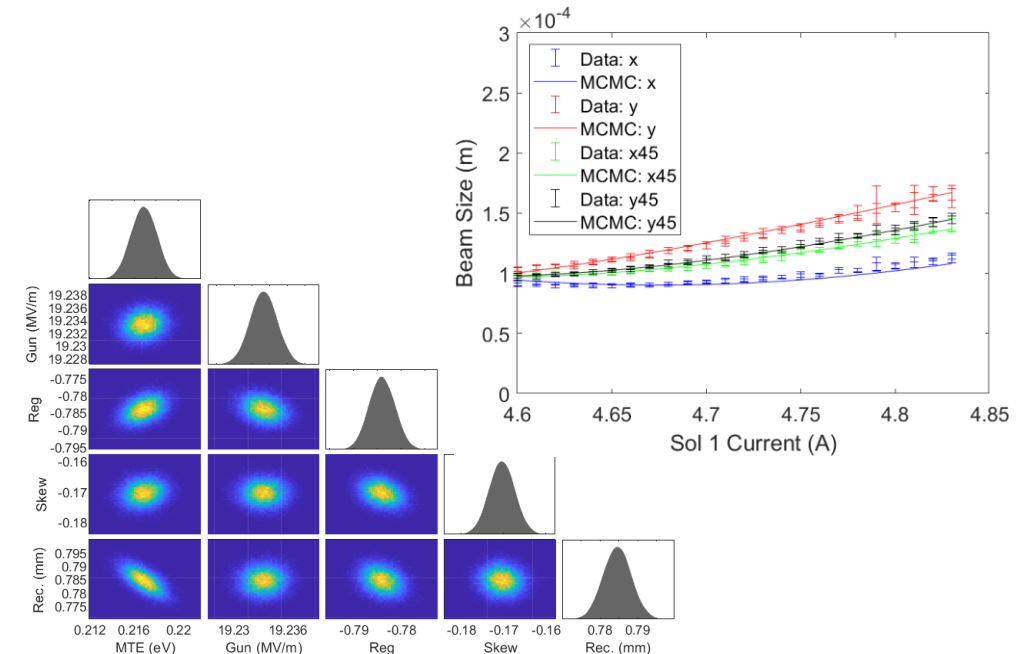
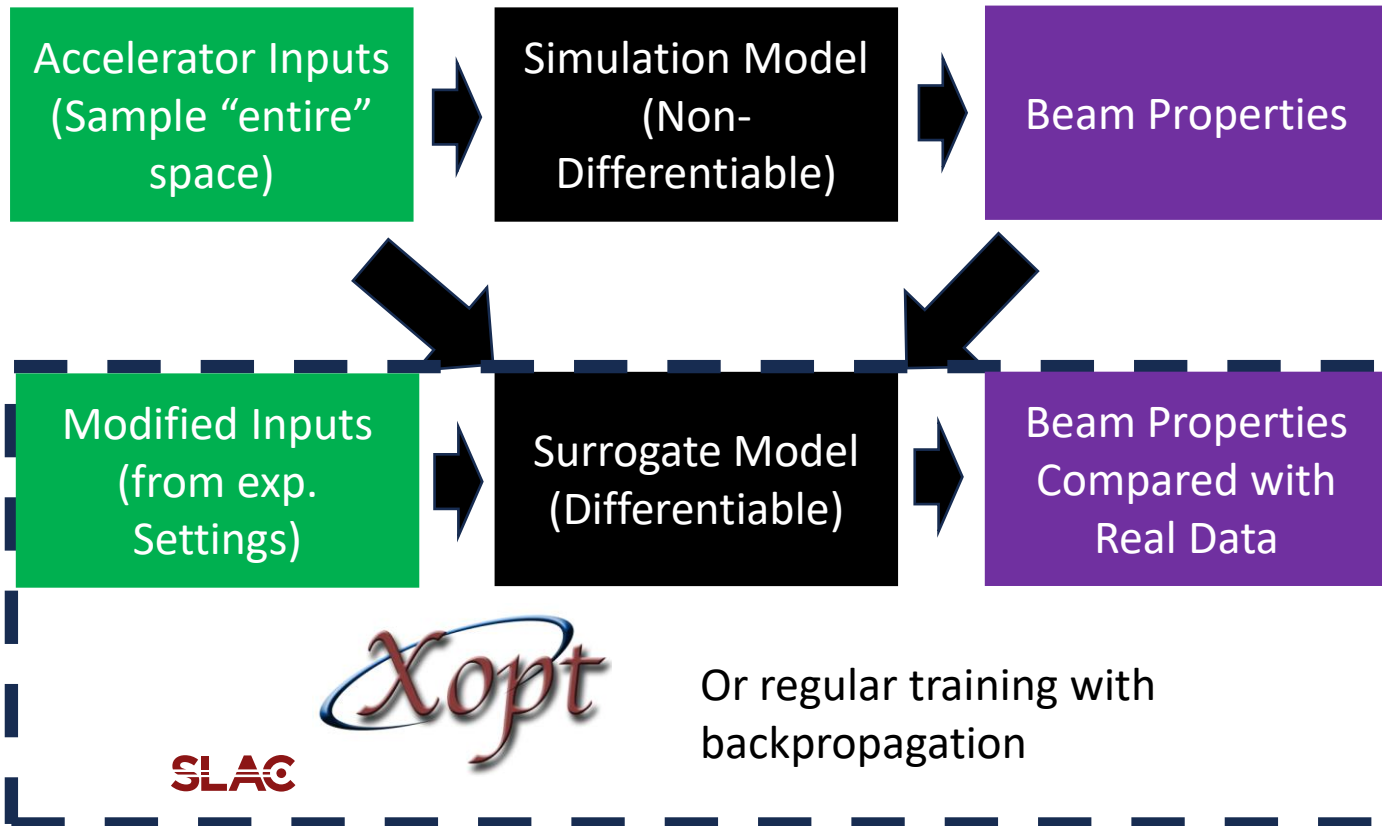
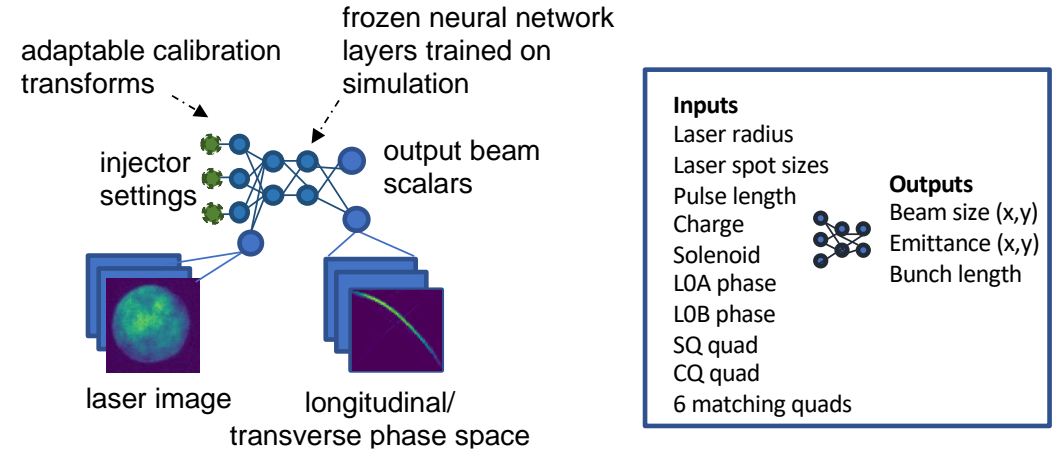
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Prescription for Non-Differentiable Models T. Boltz et al. arXiv:2403.03225v4

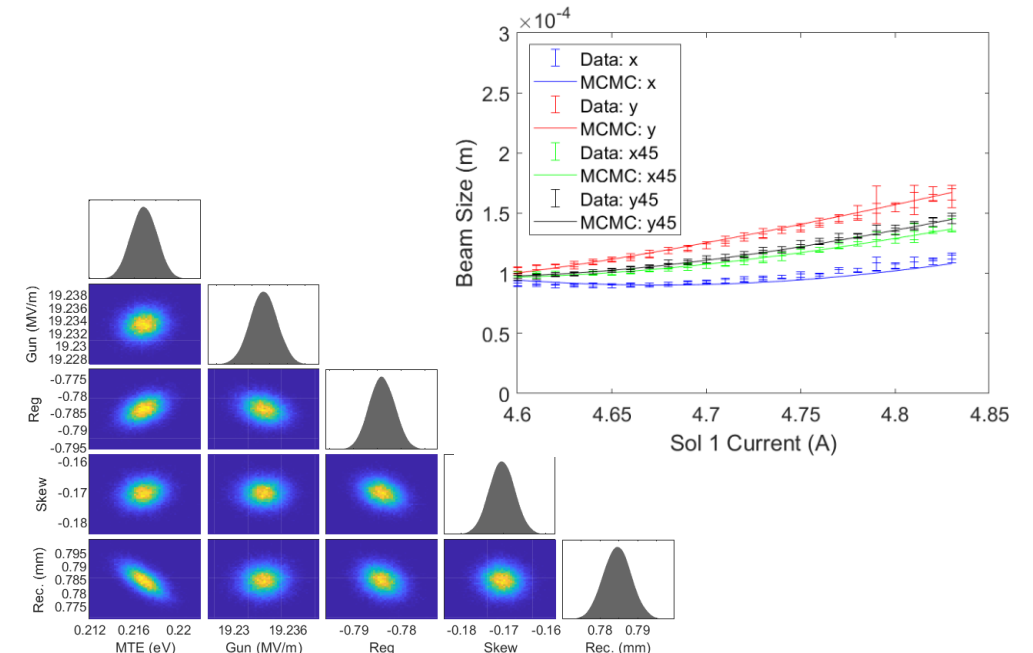
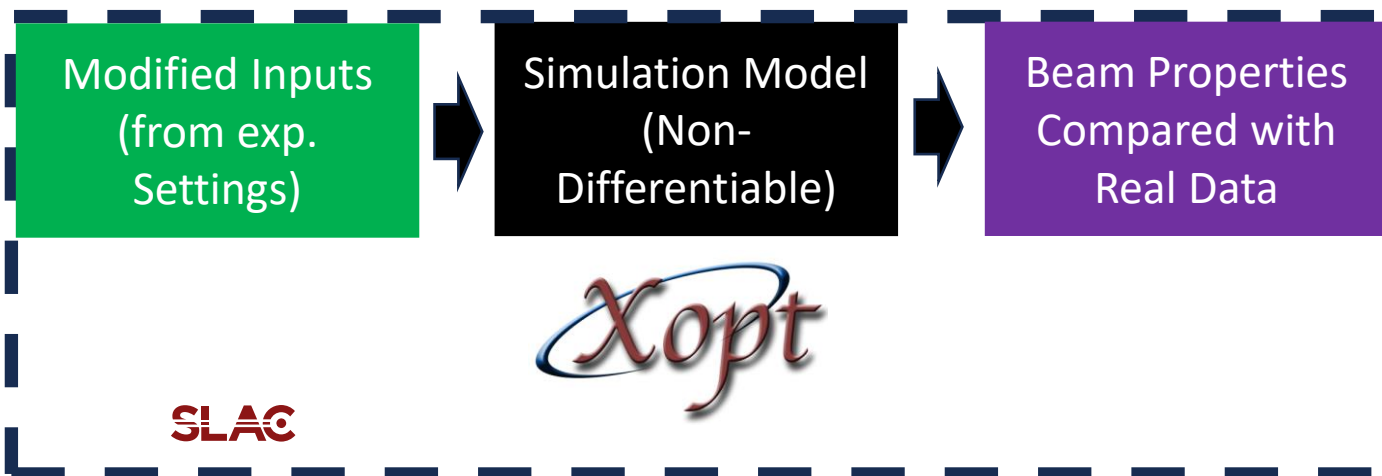
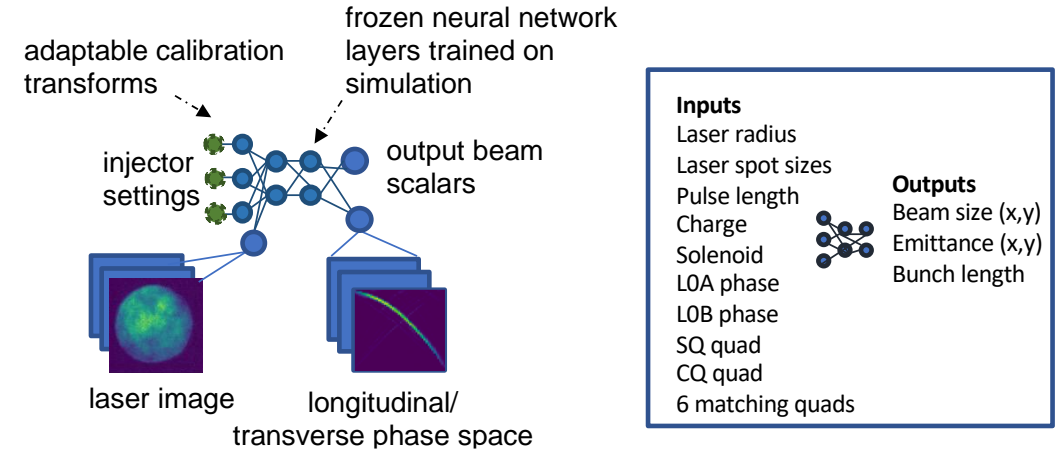
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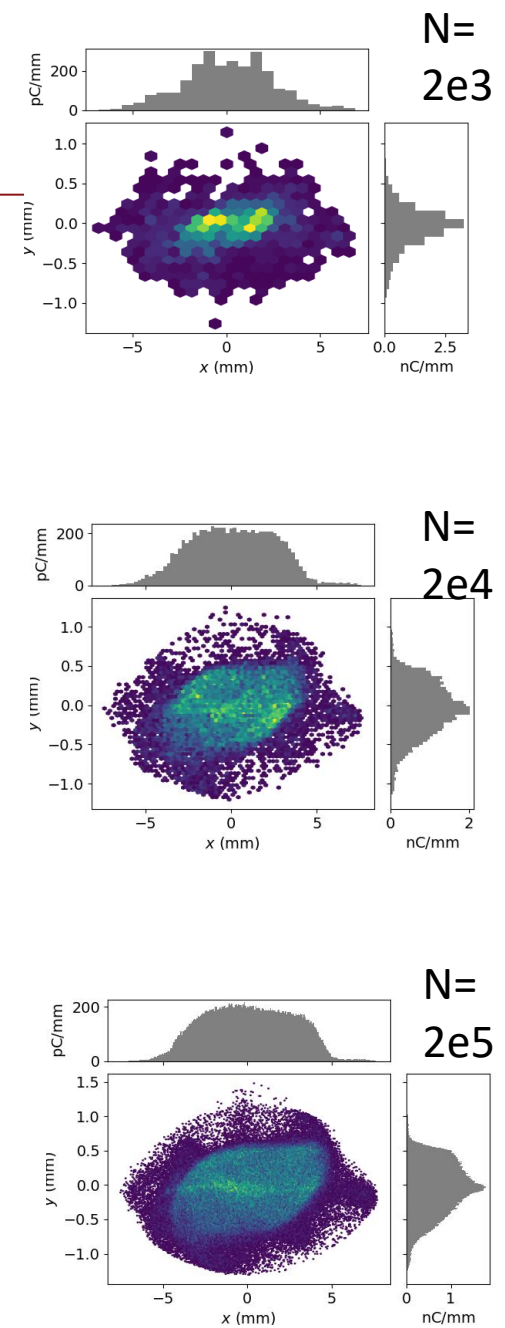
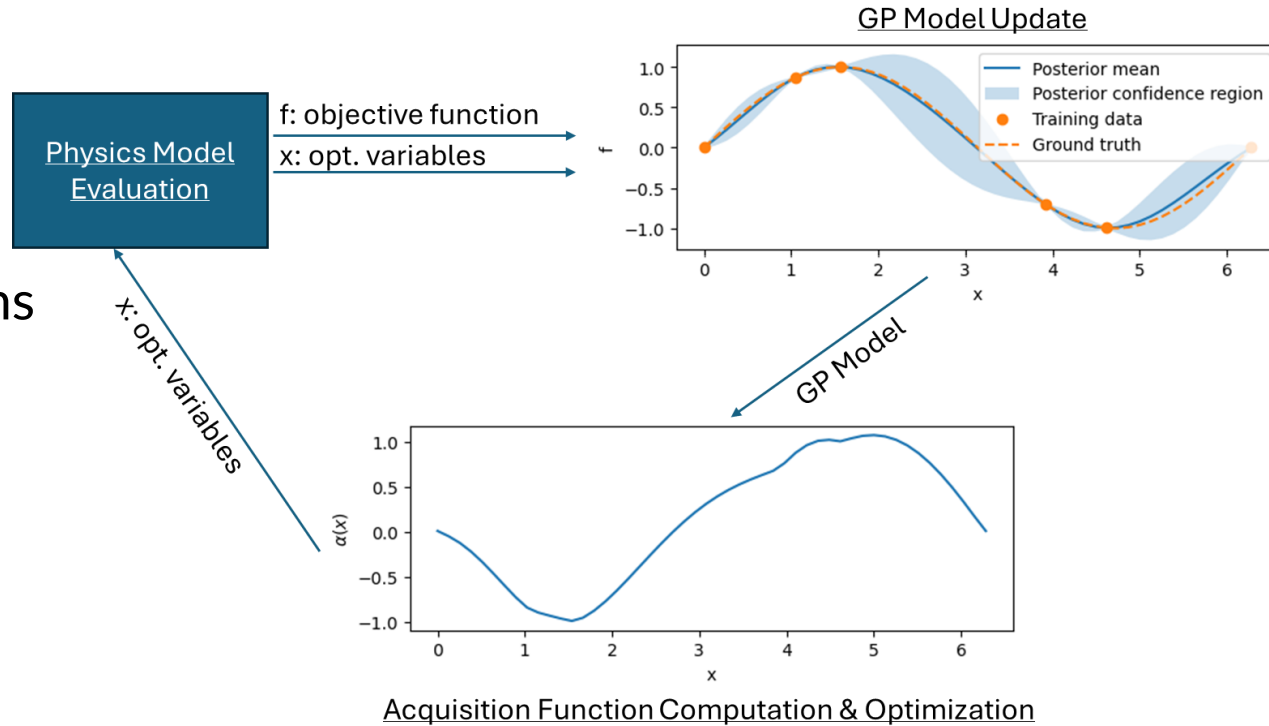
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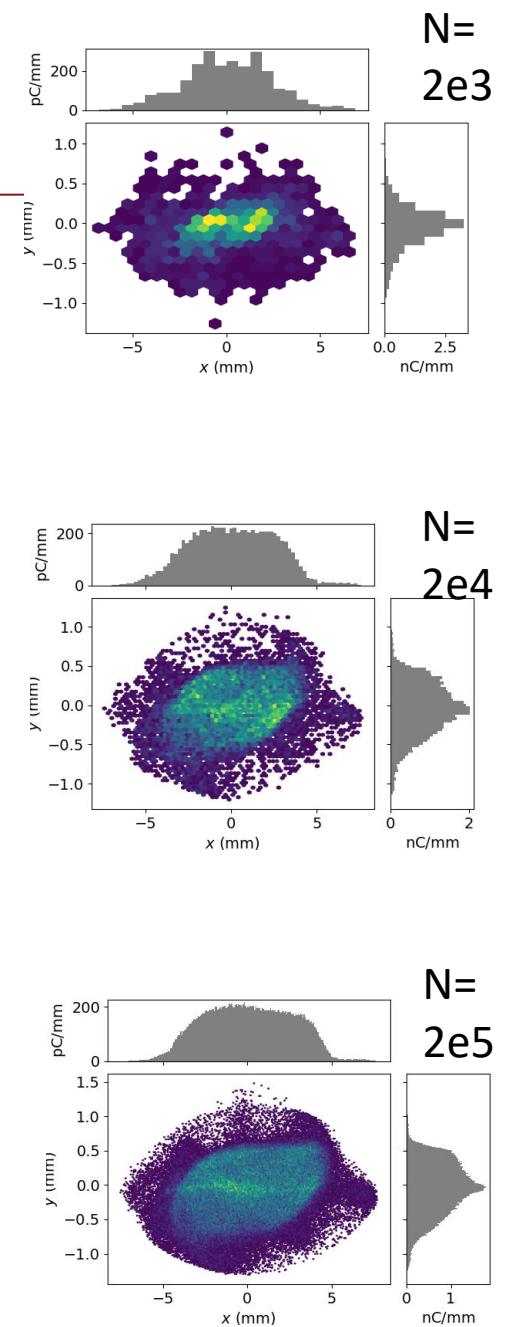
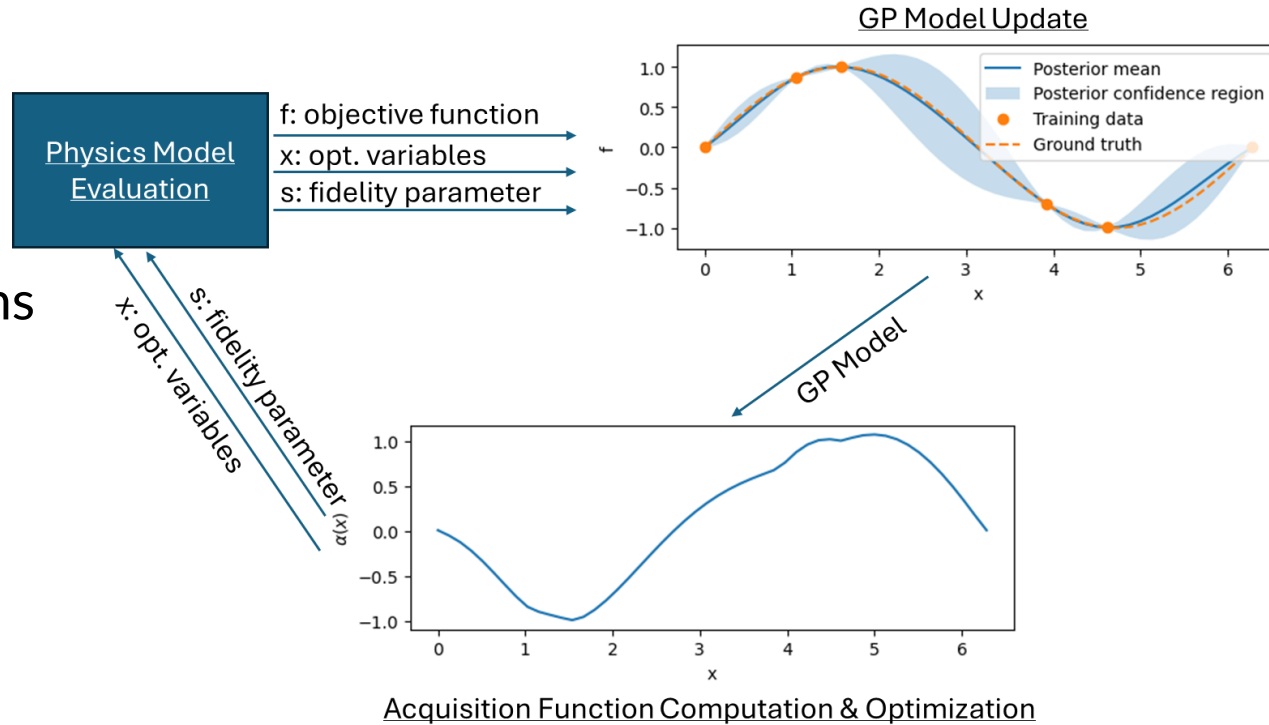


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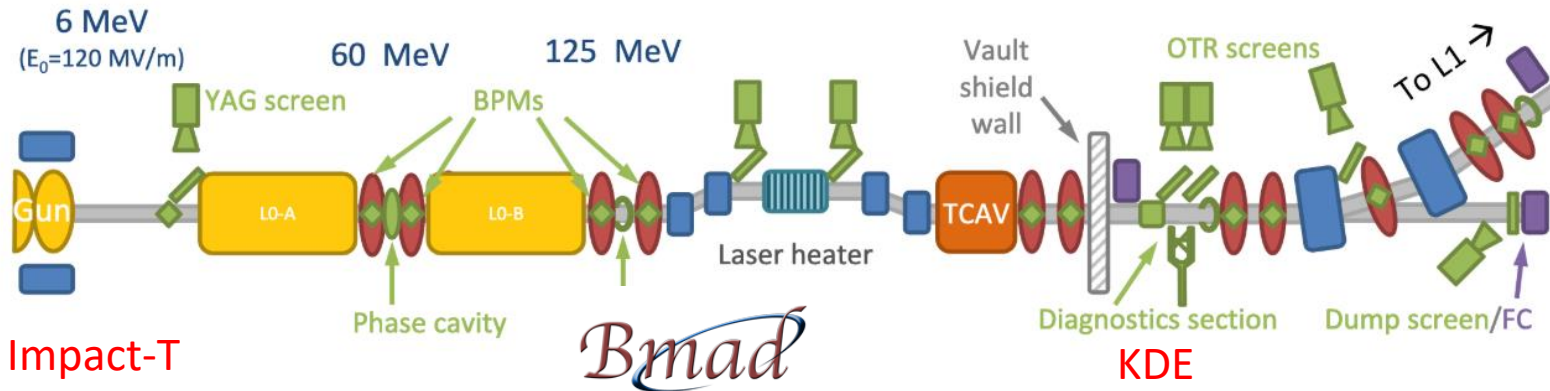


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Approach

Xopt

FACET-II injector (SLAC)



Impact-T

Bmad

KDE

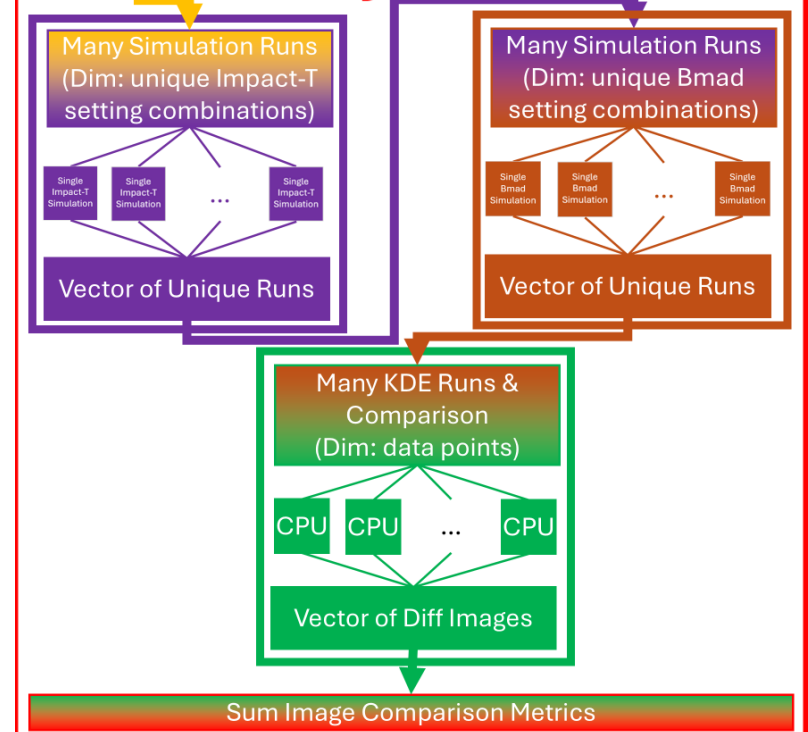
Wrapped in Xopt

- Many optimizers available, including Bayesian Optimization (BO), MOGA
- Can compare to data at multiple screens
- Using all open-source tools: Lume-Impact, Bmad/Pytao, FastKDE, Xopt
- Balancing multiple fidelities (images vs. beam sizes)
 - Focused initially on high-fidelity and low-fidelity case

Containerized Impact-T to Bmad Pipeline
Available at SLAC

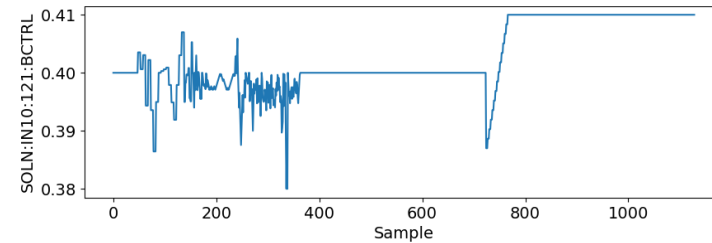
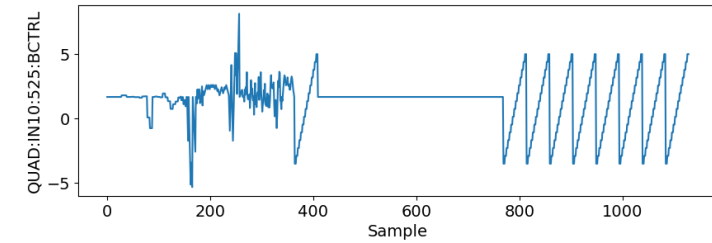
Calibrations

Penalty Function

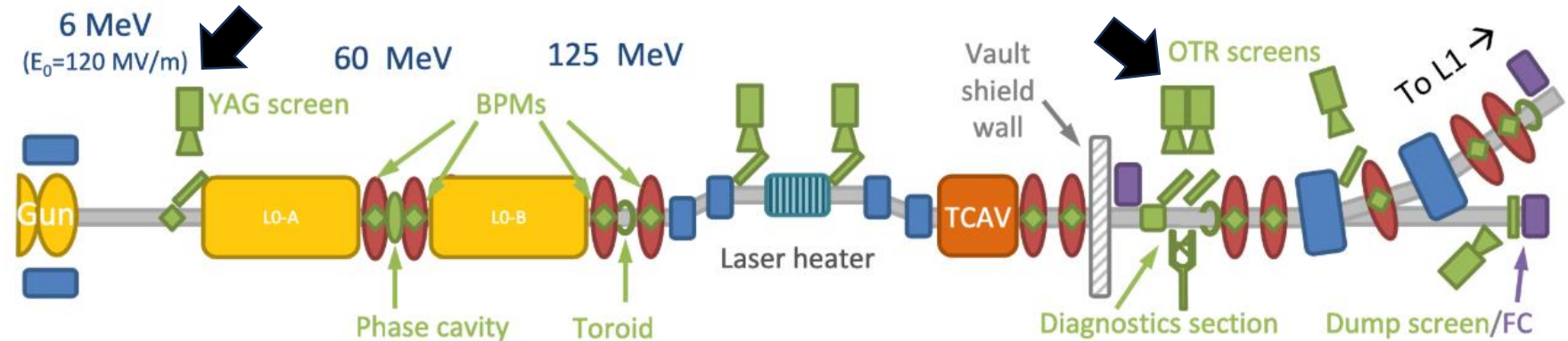
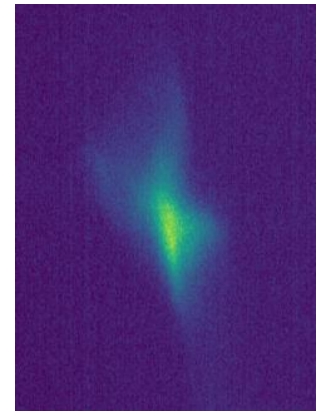
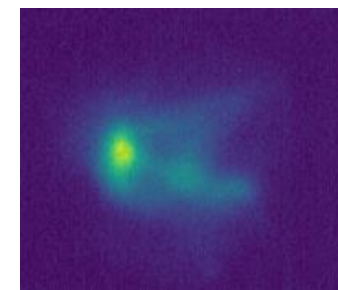
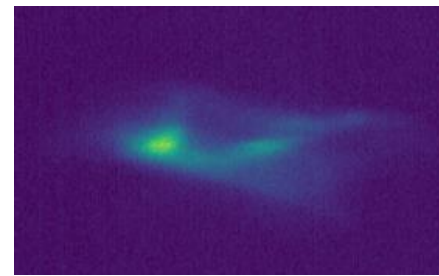
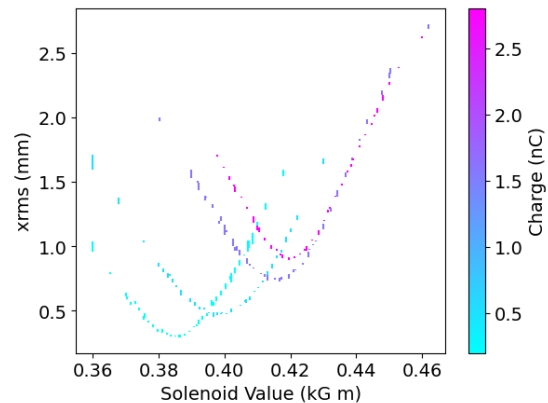
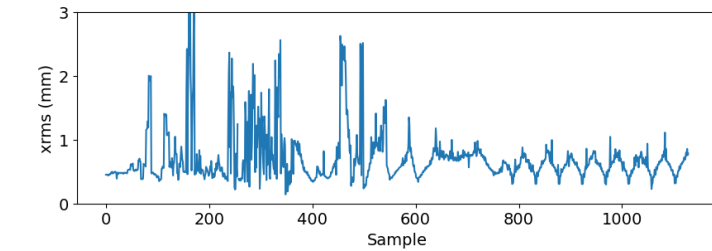


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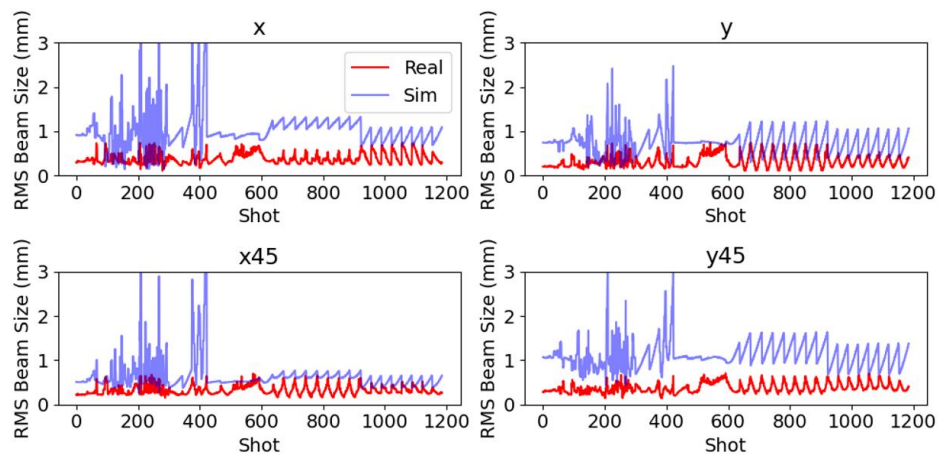
- FACET-II injector (SLAC)
- Parameters varied using multiple techniques:
 - Bayesian Exploration Roussel et. al. *Nat. Comm.* 2021
 - Parameter scans
- Images saved on two screens
- 6 datasets taken months apart over past 1+ year



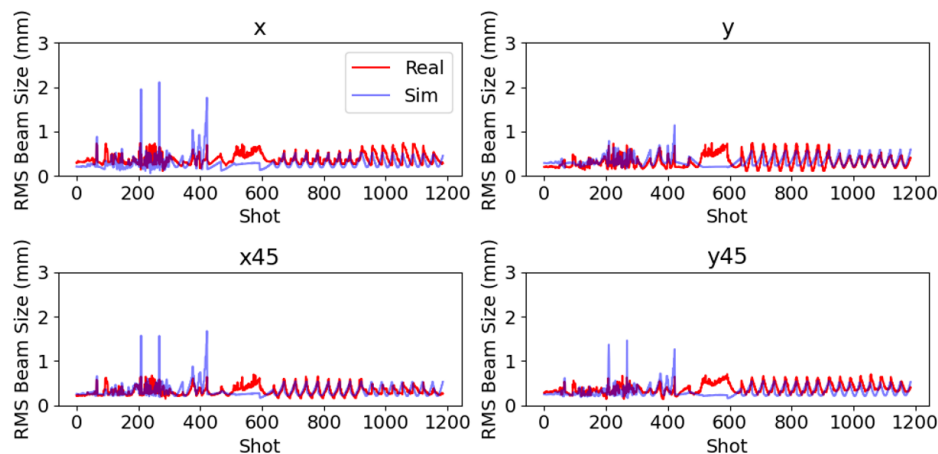
Bayesian Exploration



Preliminary Results



Nominal calibration



Improved calibration

BO Optimization on the following parameters (scaling & offset):

- Quad calibration x6
- Solenoid calibration
- Gun, linacs (x2) amplitudes & phases
- Initial pulse length

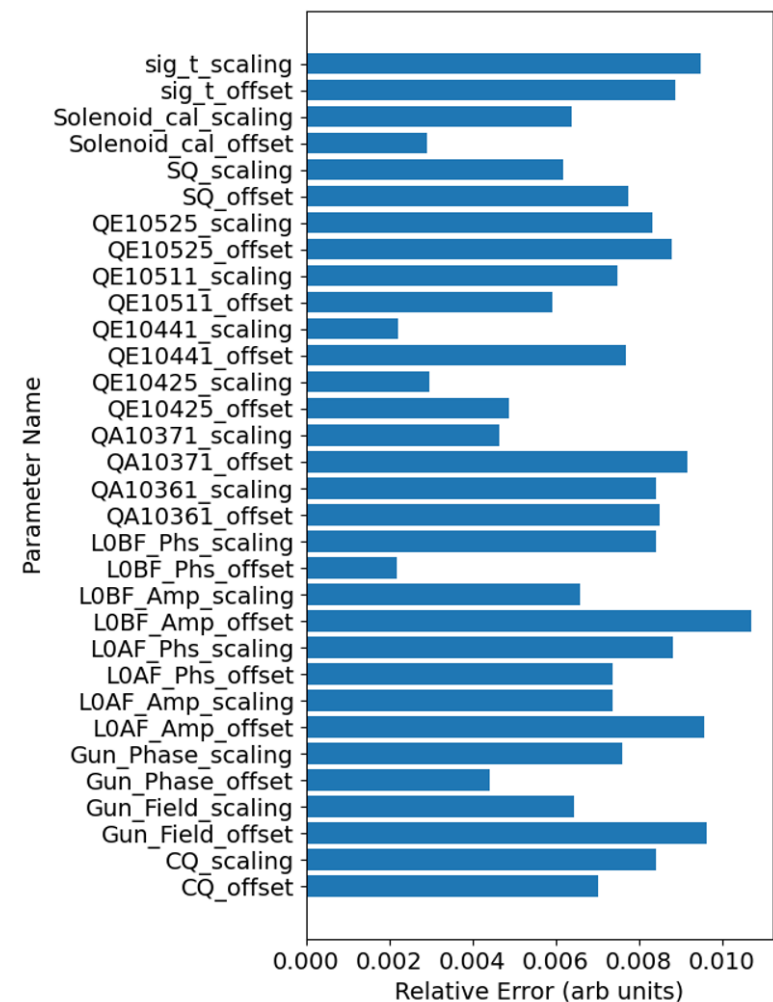
BE data, 400 points for optimization, evaluated on all points taken that day, including some parameter scans

Low fidelity, moment-based calibration

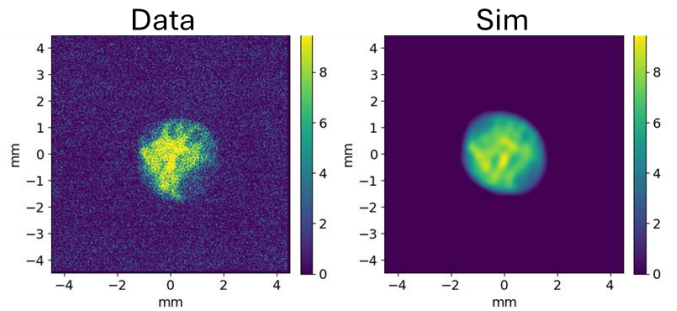
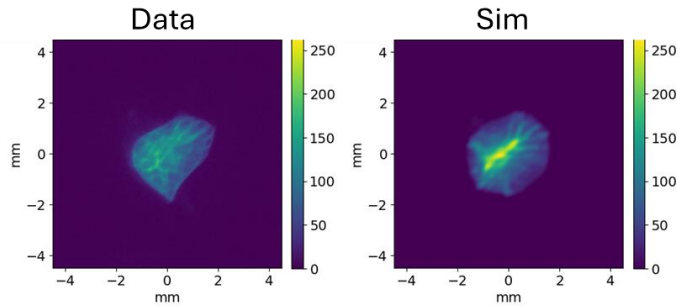
Right: Uncertainty quantification from GP model

Sources of error include:

- Unmeasured parameter fluctuations (time varying)
- Image fitting & moment calculations

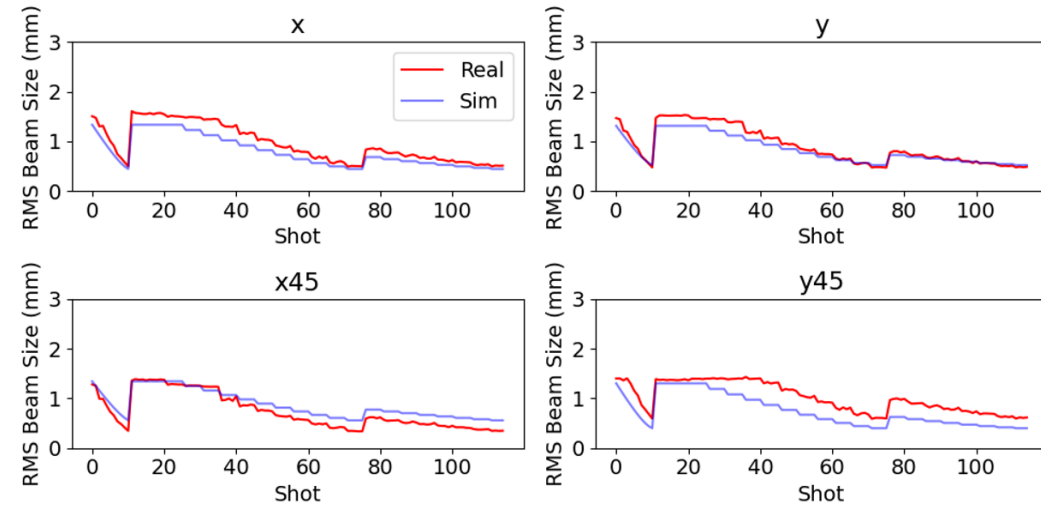


Preliminary Results (Upstream Screen)

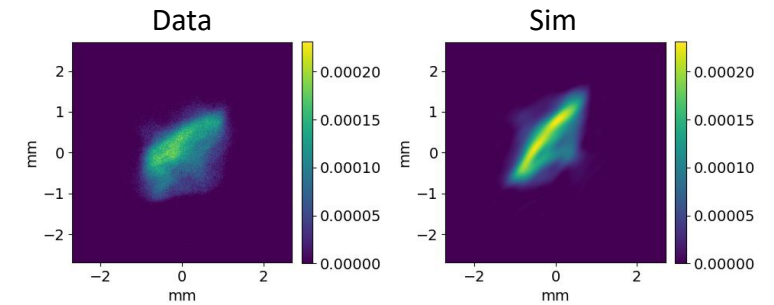


Below: Example images from first screen.
Predictions about pixel calibration
confirmed by measurement. (Later data-set)

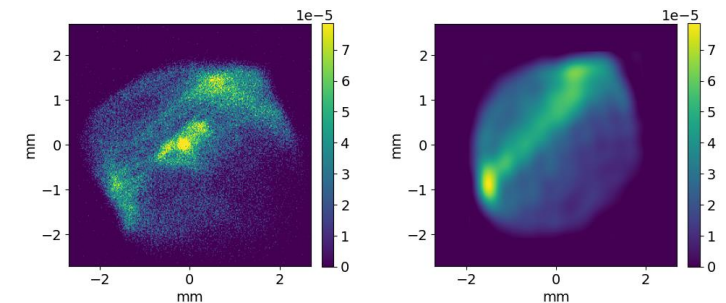
Note different
simulation fidelities!



Above and right:
Optimized calibrations
from previous slide
(downstream screen)
checked on upstream
screen



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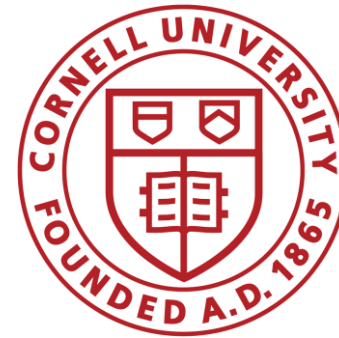
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Conclusion

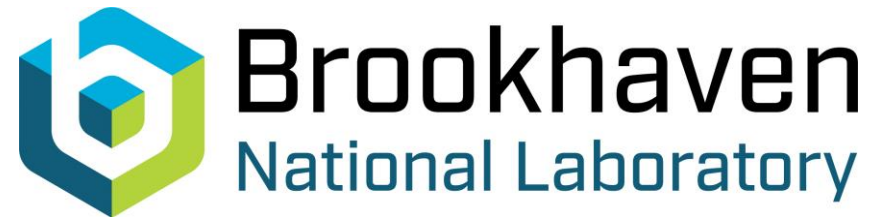
- Evaluating the efficacy of direct model calibration using efficient ML-based techniques:
 - BE
 - BO
- Infrastructure for optimization built and operational
- Preliminary optimization → working, but is it more efficient than training a surrogate model?
- Initial studies with two-tier multi fidelity approach are underway → many technical aspects to resolve
- Future: more efficient treatment of simulation fidelities
- Once relevant nonlinear collective effects are implemented in differentiable sims (Cheetah), faster gradient-based methods could be used
- Part of a larger effort: see right



Interoperable standards and tools for end-to-end accelerator simulations



Differentiable simulations, including Bmad



Model calibration for RHIC

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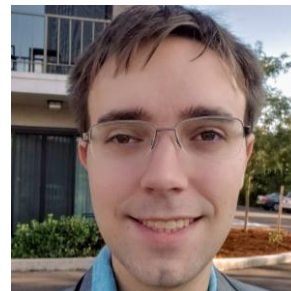
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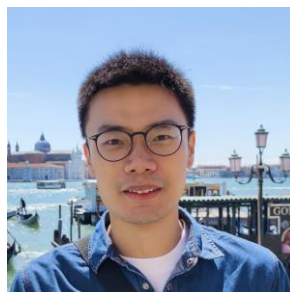
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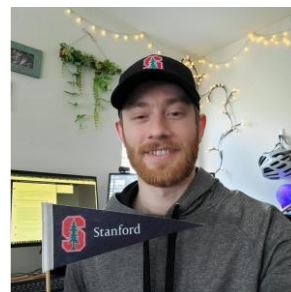
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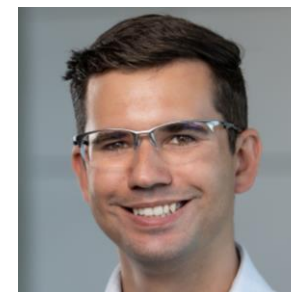
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