

# Inverse Methods without Optimisation

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# Overview

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- Gaussian Process Emulators
- History Matching Again
- Some Thoughts on Discrepancy
- Conclusions

# Inverse Problem

- We have a function  $y=f(x)$
- We collect some data on  $y$  and we want to make some inferences about  $x$
- We can set up some loss function or likelihood e.g.

$$\sum (y_i - f(x_i))^2$$

- And optimise it

# Bayesian Methods

- Alternatively we can use Bayes theorem to do the inversion

$$p(x|y) = \frac{p(y|x)p(x)}{p(y)}$$

- We can calculate the posterior distribution of  $x|y$

# But ...

- In general these calculations are difficult
  - They are expensive.
  - Likelihoods and posteriors are often multimodal
  - It doesn't take into account the fact that the model  $f(\cdot)$  isn't perfect

# An Alternative

- Don't try to find the 'best' set of inputs ( $x$ )
- Find inputs ( $x$ ) that are *implausible* given the data ( $y$ )
- This is a lot easier
- No optimisation
- No sampling posterior

# History Matching

- Set up a measure of the distance between the data and the model prediction

$$Imp = \sqrt{\frac{E(y - f(x))^2}{V(y - f(x))}}$$

- If this distance is too far. That value of  $x$  is implausible

- We can expand the variance term to give

$$Imp = \sqrt{\frac{(y - E(f(x)))^2}{V_y + V_{f(x)}}$$

- Where  $V_y$  is the variance of  $y$
- and  $V_{f(x)}$  is the variance of  $f(x)$
- For  $Imp > 3$  we say that the inputs ( $x$ ) are implausible (Pukelsheim (1994))



- but could be expensive to run in which case we can only compute  $Imp$  in a small number of places
- Replace  $f(x)$  with an approximation  $f^*(x)$
- This is known as an emulator (or surrogate or metamodel)

# The Gaussian Process Emulator

- We use Bayesian Gaussian Process emulators
- Set up a prior model for the emulator
- Run the model in a designed experiment to span space in a sparse manner
- Calculate the posterior
- Validate the posterior

# Gaussian Processes

- A Gaussian Process is a distribution over functions
- A stochastic process where all marginal, joint and conditional distributions are Normal
- It is defined by a mean function and a covariance (or correlation) function

# The Mean Function

- Although the theory allows us to have a general mean function we normally use a linear basis function

$$\mu(x) = h(x)^T \beta$$

Often we take the  $h(\cdot)$  functions as monomial terms in a polynomial expansion

# The Covariance Function

- Assuming stationarity the covariance function consists of two parts

$$\sigma^2 c(\|x_1, x_2\|)$$

$\sigma^2$  is the variance of the Gaussian Process

$c(\cdot, \cdot)$  is the correlation function that gives the correlation between two points  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  as a function of the distance between them

# Some Correlation Functions

Correlation function	Formula	Differentiable?
Exponential power ( $\delta_0 < 2$ )	$\exp(-d^{\delta_0})$	No
Gaussian	$\exp(-d^2)$	Infinitely
Matérn (general)	$\frac{2^{1-\delta_0}}{\Gamma(\delta_0)} (\sqrt{2\delta_0}d)^{\delta_0} K_{\delta_0}(\sqrt{2\delta_0}d)$	$[\delta_0]$ times
Matérn, $\delta_0 = \frac{3}{2}$	$(1 + \sqrt{3}d) \exp(-\sqrt{3}d)$	Once
Matérn, $\delta_0 = \frac{5}{2}$	$(1 + \sqrt{5}d + \frac{5}{3}d^2) \exp(-\sqrt{5}d)$	Twice

# The Prior

- Set up a prior mean function

$$\mu(x) = h(x)^T \beta$$

- Often a low order polynomial sometimes more complex
- Choose the form of the correlation function
- Usually use vague priors on the GP parameters

# Design

- We want designs that are sparse but also space filling
- Latin hypercubes
- Low discrepancy sequences (Sobol sequence)

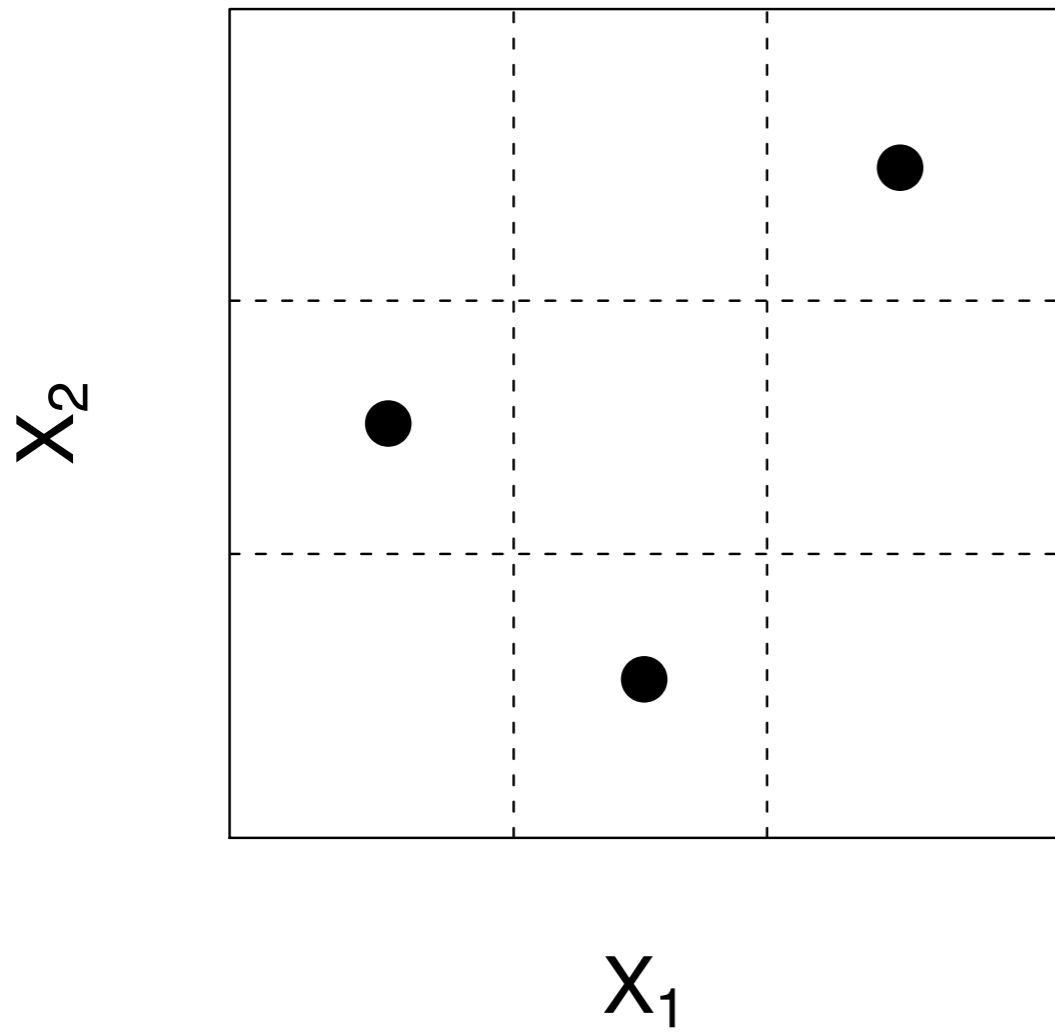


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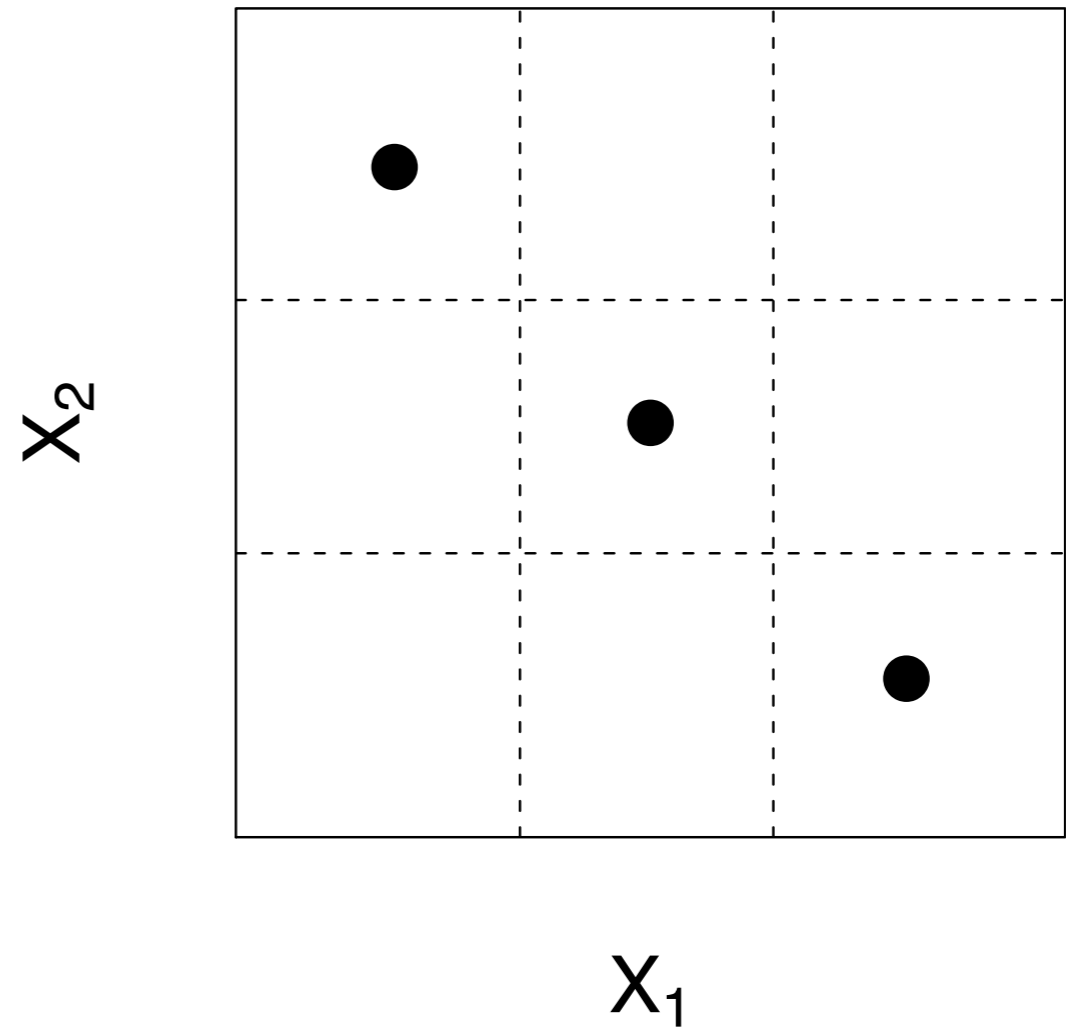
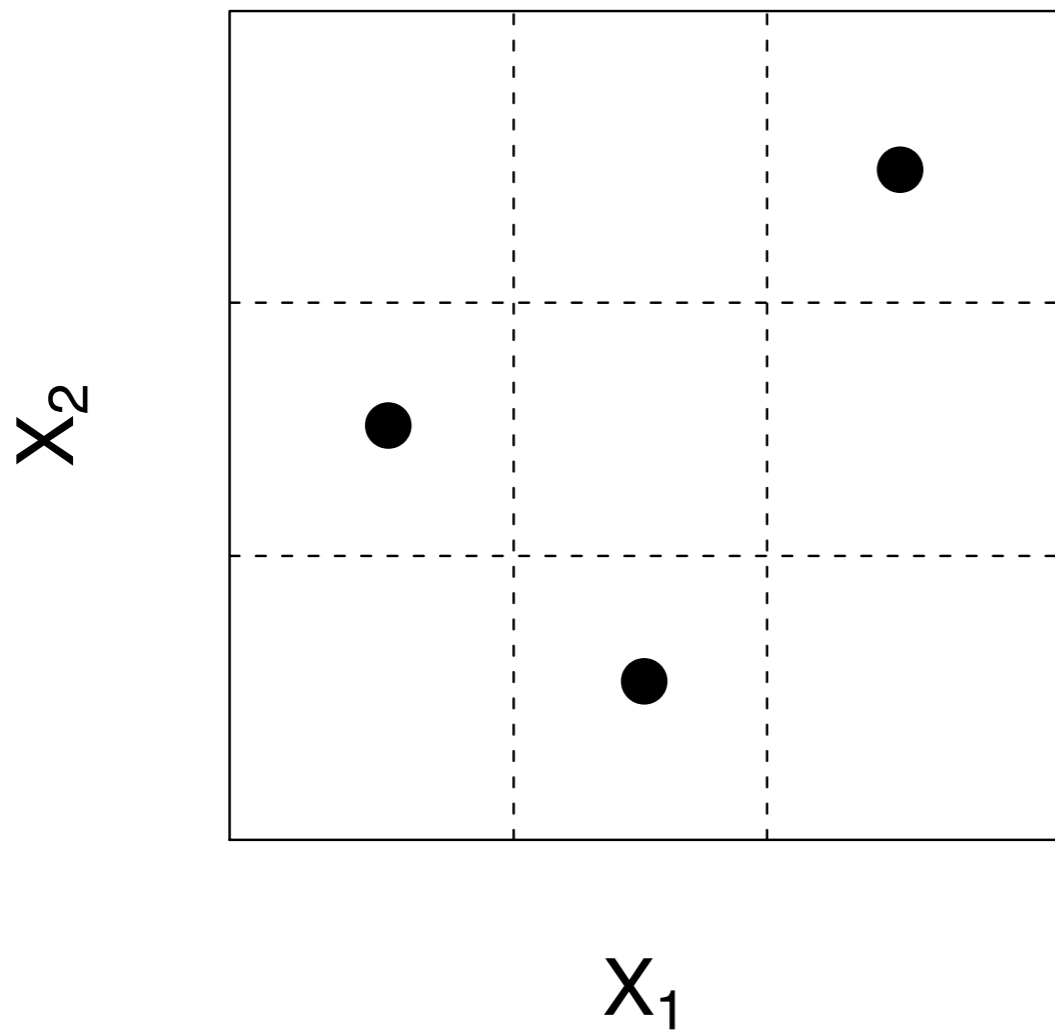
- Latin hypercubes fill space on the margins but not jointly
- What is a good space filling Latin hypercube?
- Maximin
- Orthogonal designs

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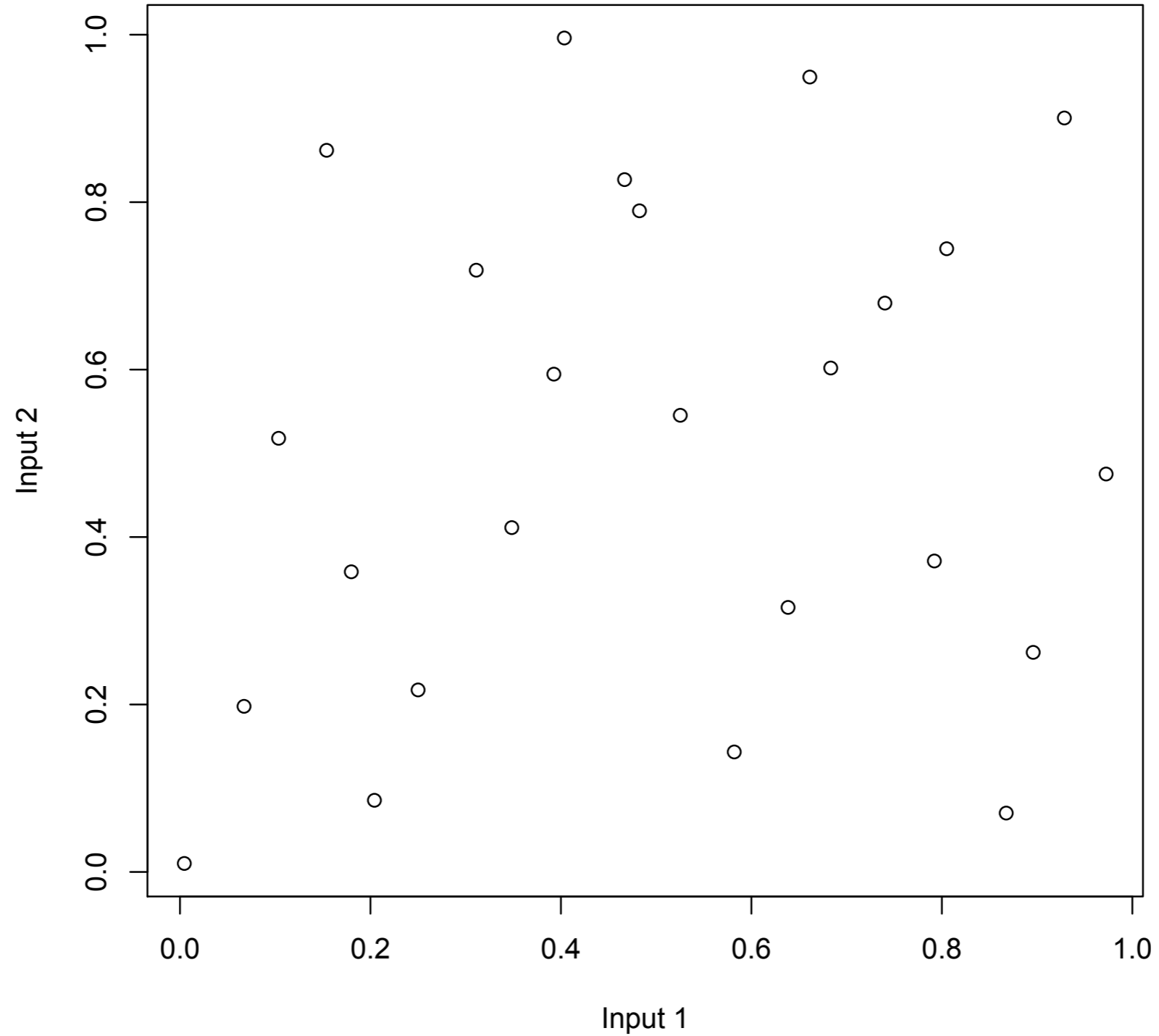
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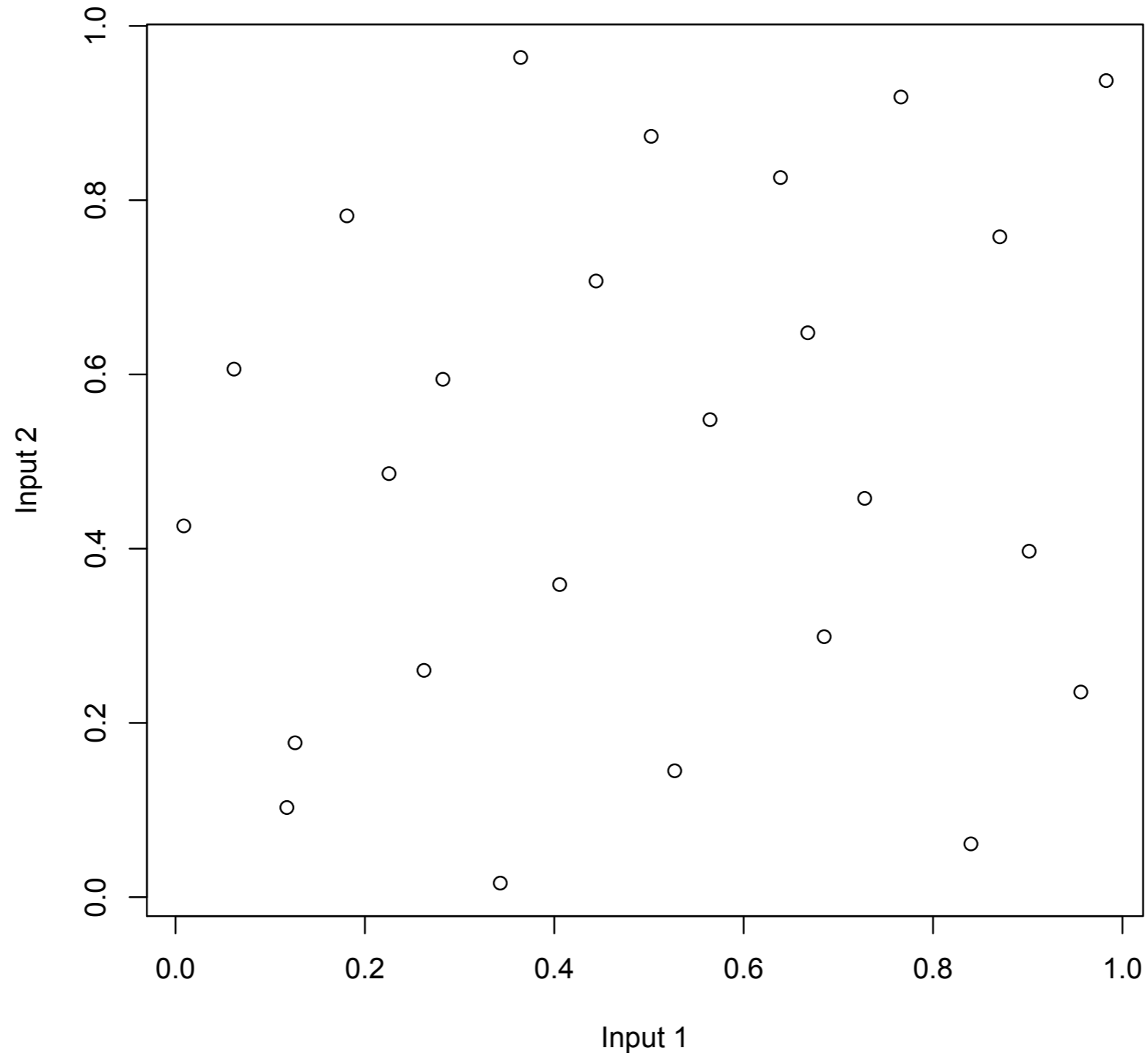
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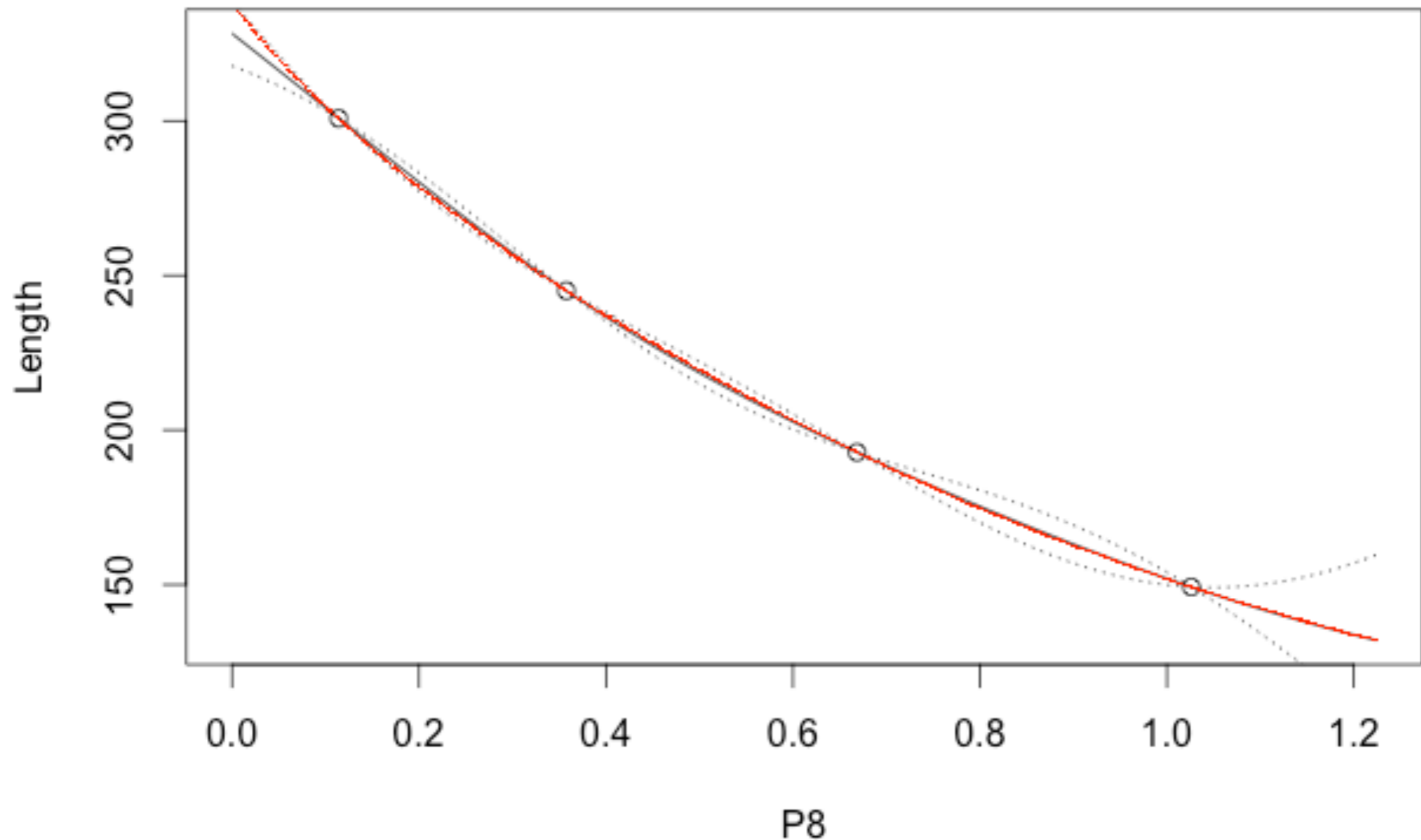
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# The Posterior

- Once we have run the simulator/model we can calculate the posterior GP - the emulator
- Note the posterior is a stochastic process
- Often we just show the mean and variance

# Emulator for a single input in a cardiac cell model





# Validation

- Building emulators isn't hard
- Building good emulators can be
- Important to validate any emulator
  - Leave one out
  - Residual Analysis - Bastos and O'Hagan (2009)
  - Separate validation experiment

# The Forward Problem

- We can use a validated emulator for:-
  - prediction
  - sensitivity analysis
  - uncertainty analysis

# Calibration

- Kennedy and O'Hagan (2001) calibrate a model using two GPs fitted simultaneously. One as an emulator and one for the model discrepancy
- In practice hard to do without prior information (see Brynjarsdóttir and O'Hagan. 2014)

# History matching revisited

- Returning to history matching
- The implausibility equation is

$$Imp = \sqrt{\frac{E(y - f(x))^2}{V(y - f(x))}}$$

- Expanding the variance as before gives

$$Imp = \sqrt{\frac{y - E(f(x))^2}{V_y + V_{emul} + V_{disc}}}$$

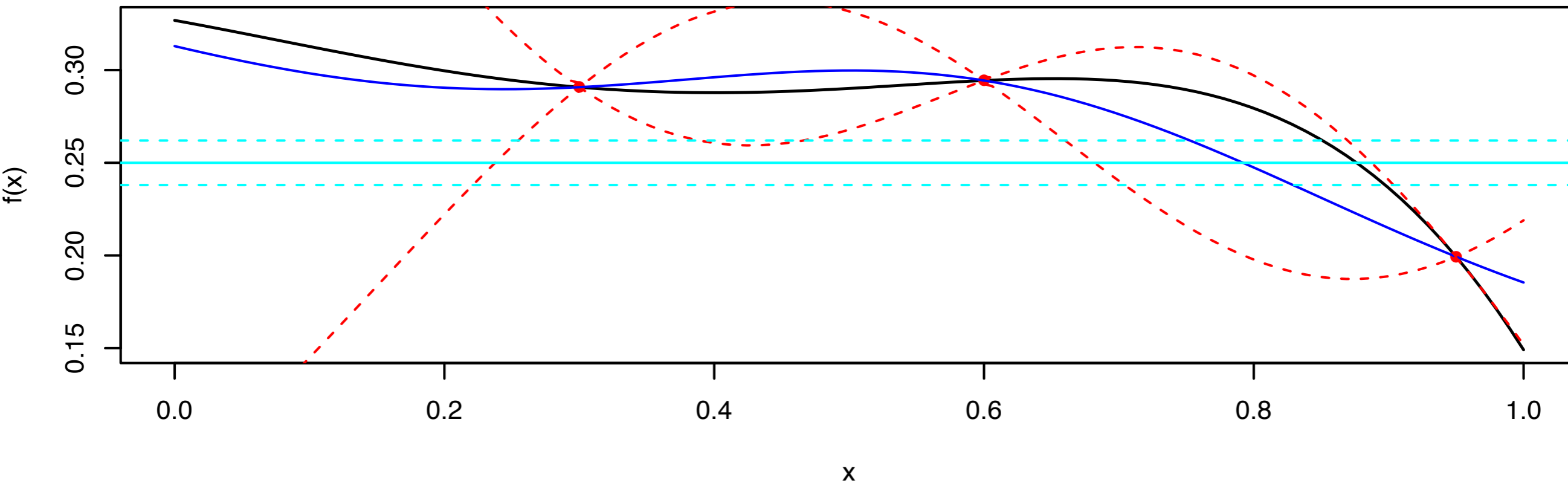
- $V_y$  is the variance of the data  $y$
- $V_{emul}$  is the emulator variance
- $V_{disc}$  is the model discrepancy

# Procedure

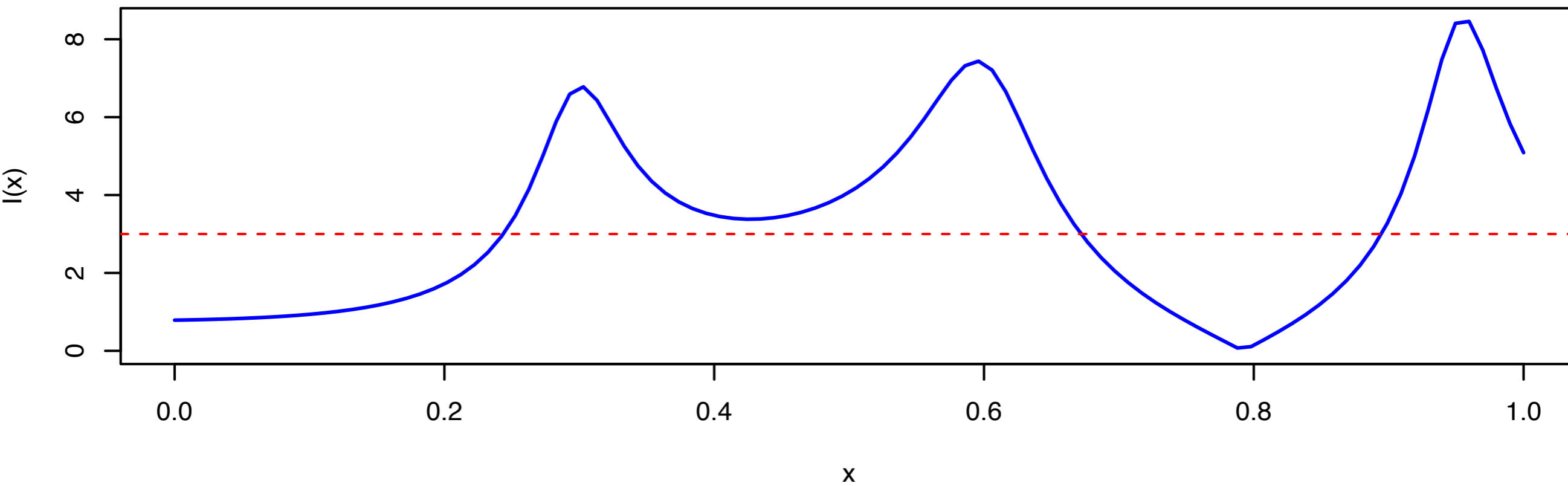
- Collect data
- Run designed experiment
- Build emulator
- Perform history matching
- All points with  $Imp < 3$  deemed *not implausible*
- If we have many metrics take  $max(Imp)$
- These constitute the *Not Ruled Out Yet* (NROY) space

- Design additional experiment within NROY space (wave 2)
- Rebuild emulator
- History match
- Repeat until NROY is either small enough or does not shrink
- At which point we may need more data

### Emulator Example

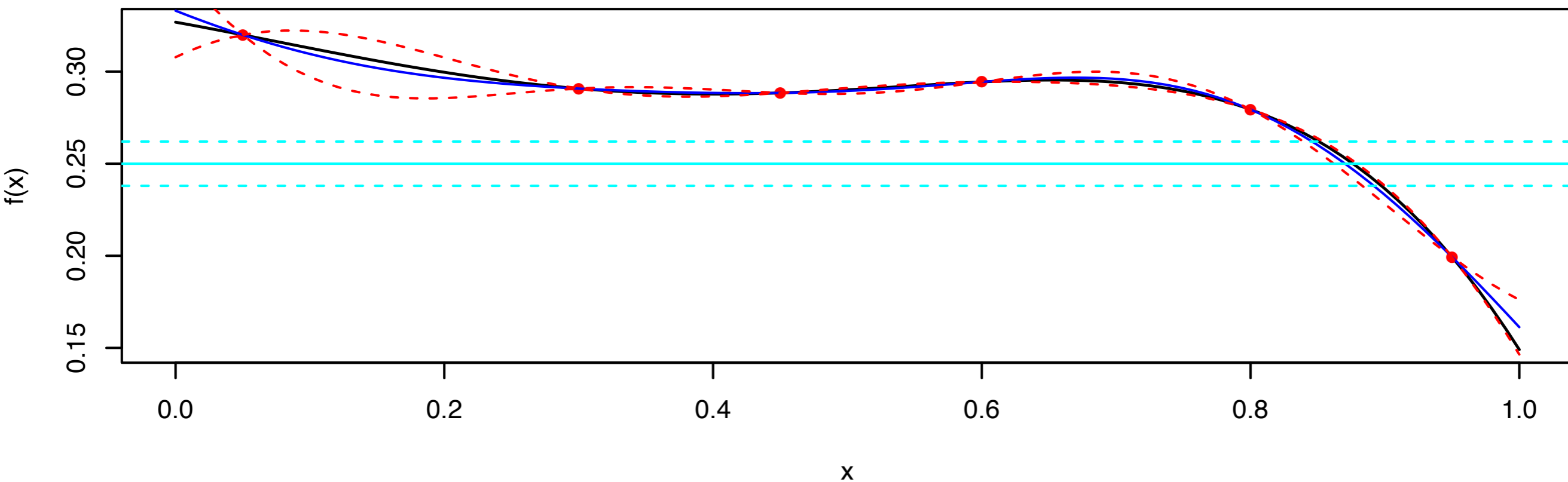


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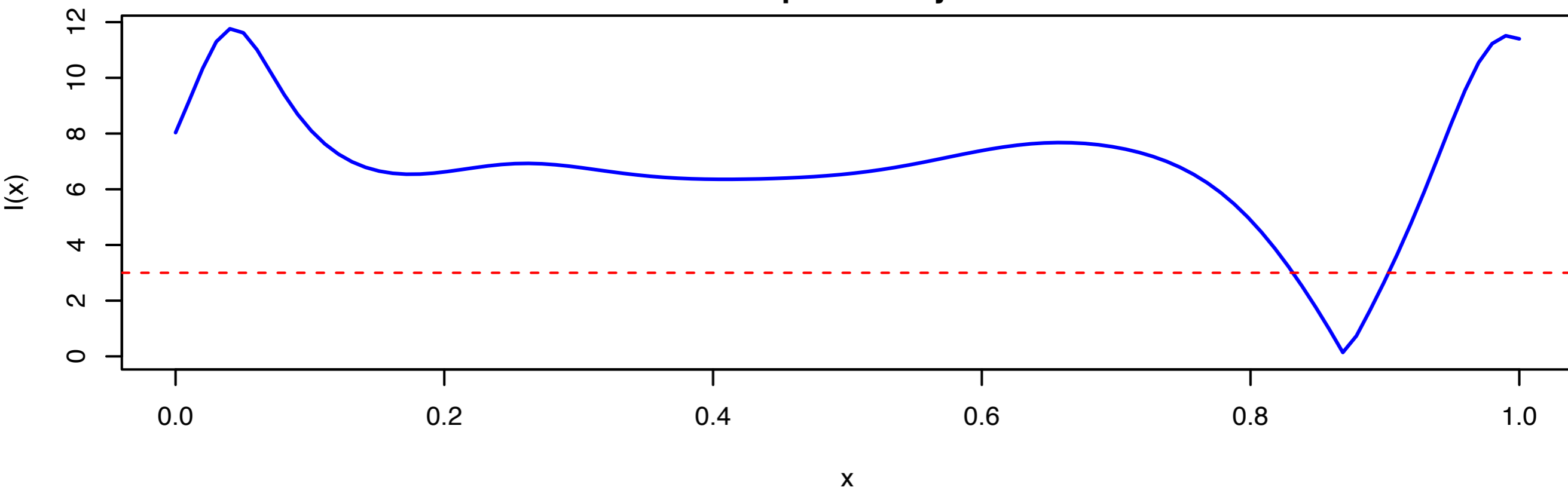


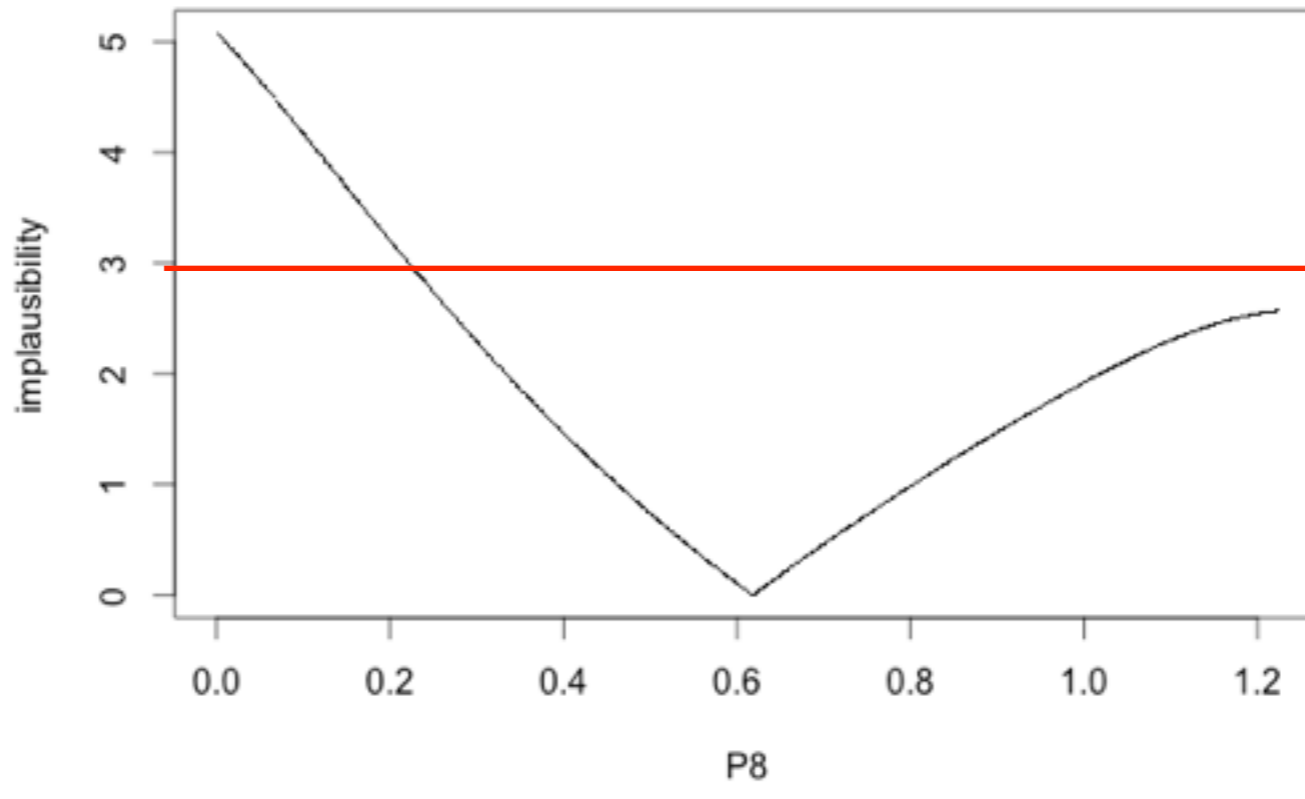
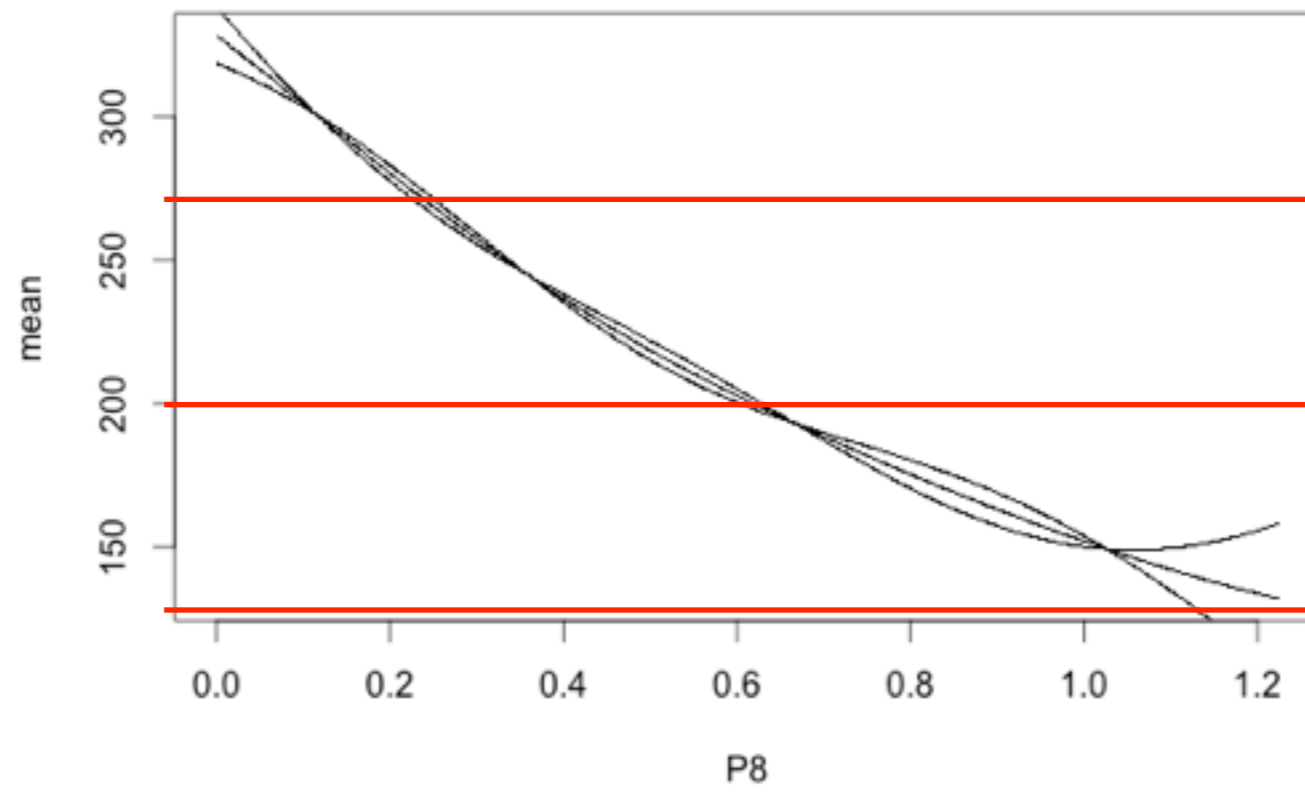


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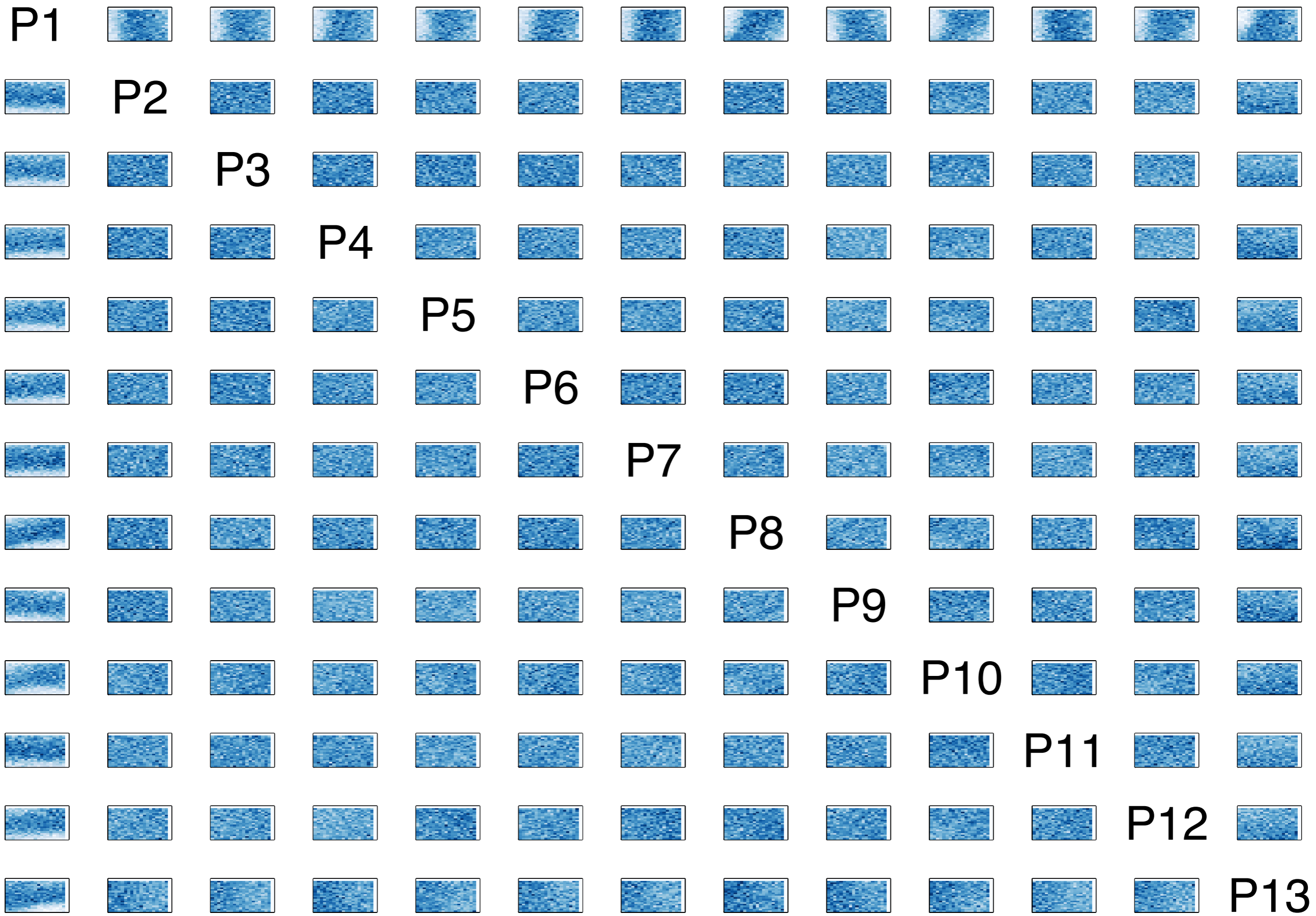
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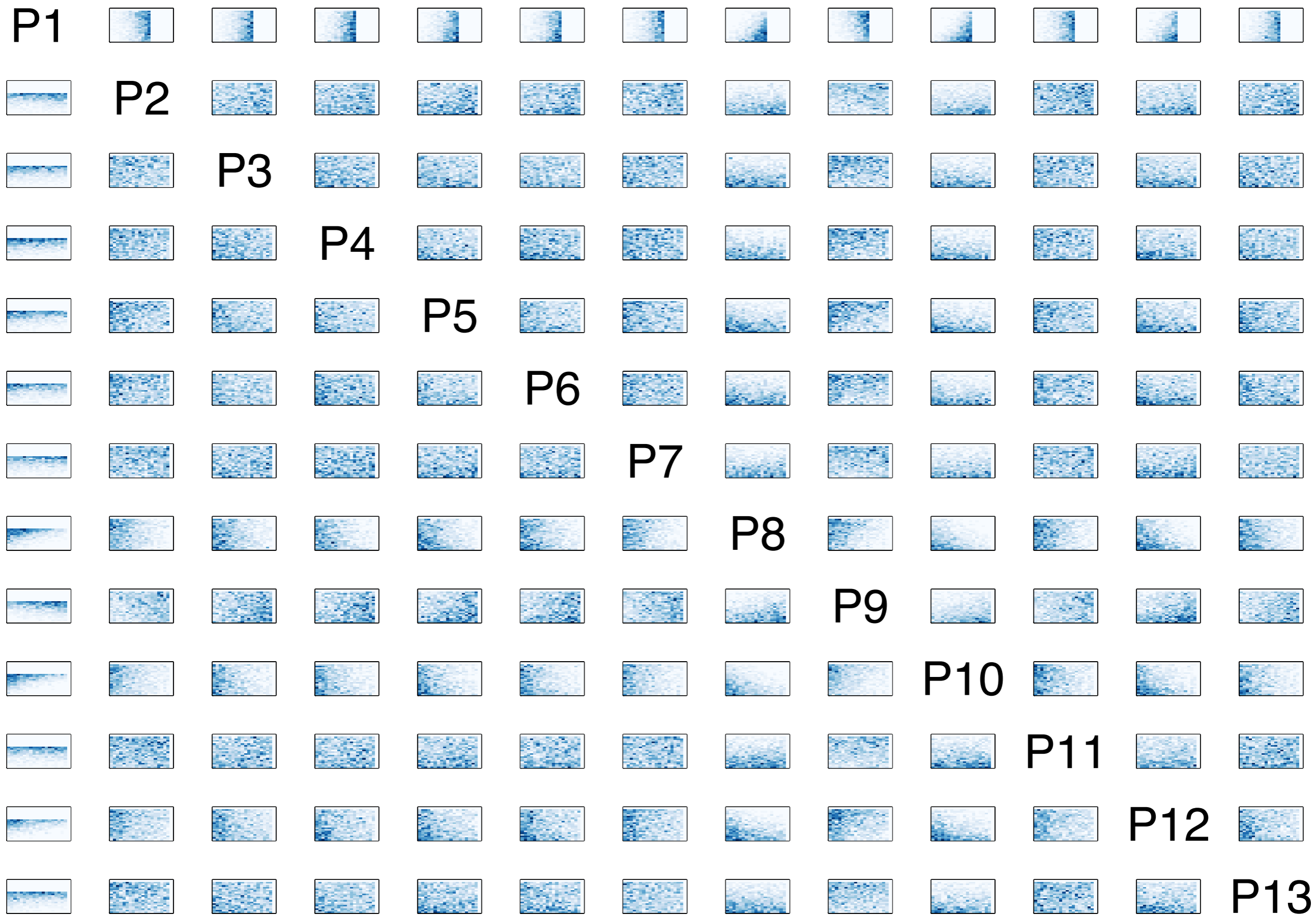


# History matching on cardiac cell model with 13 uncertain parameters

- A single observation (mean = 200, sd = 15) (made up)
- No discrepancy
- 130 model runs in maximinLHC
- Rules out 24% of 13-d space



- A more discriminating example
- mean = 450, sd = 5
- Only 13% space left



# ORCA2

- State of the art ocean model 2° resolution
- ‘Climatological’ forcing (Normal years)
- Matching temperature at 8 depths with EN3 climatology
- Removes 95% of parameter space. (Wave 1)
- Adding salinity
- Thanks to Danny Williamson and Adam Blaker

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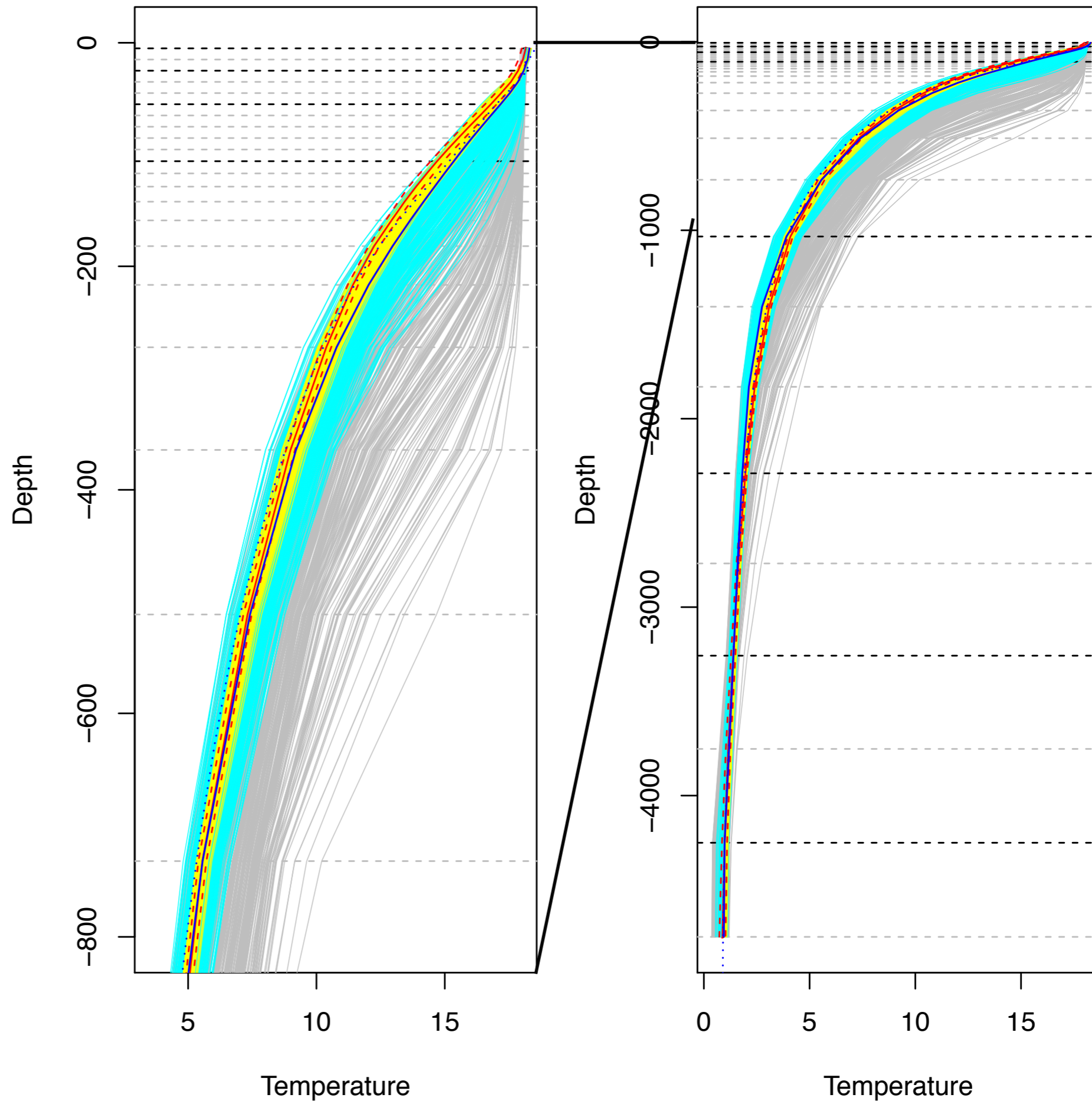
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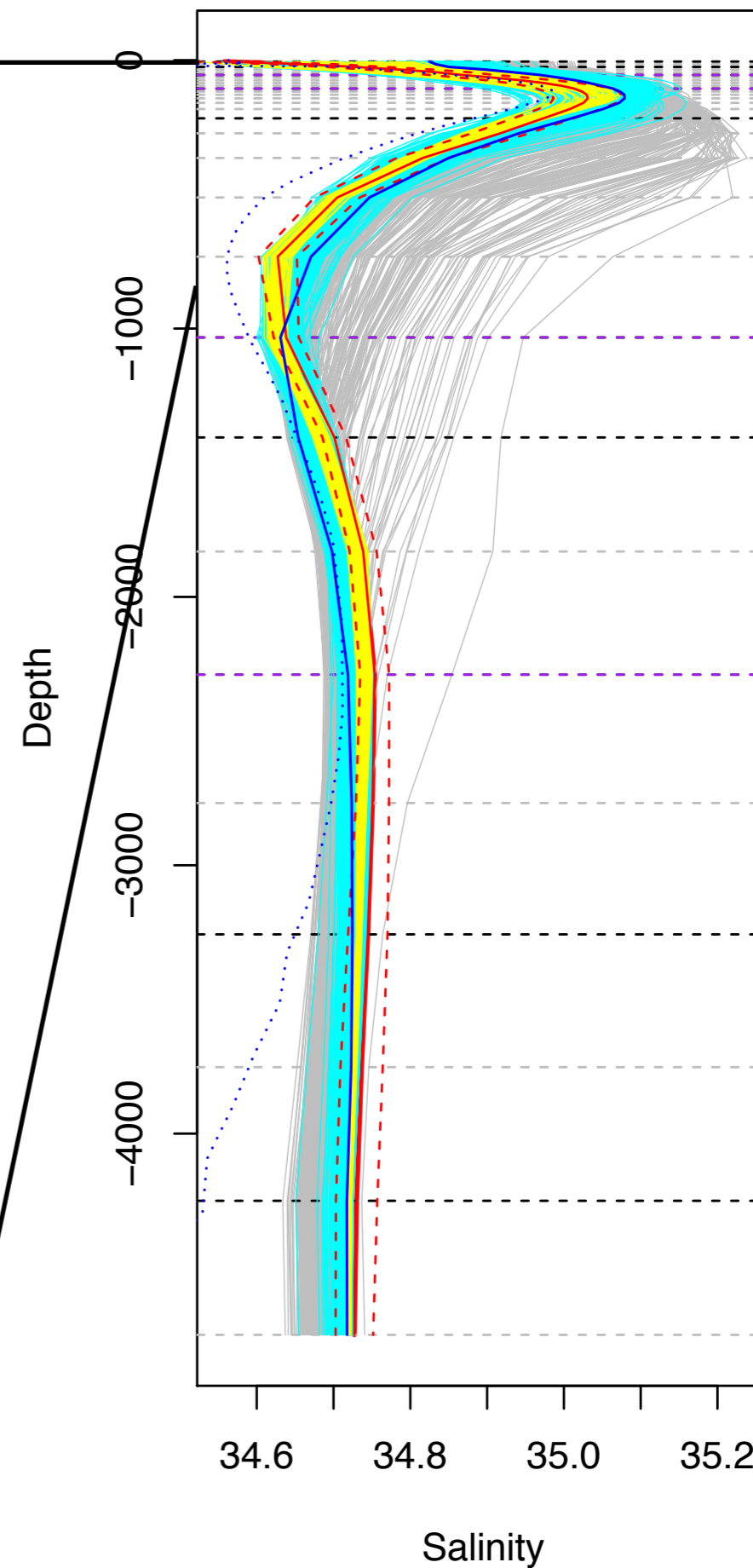
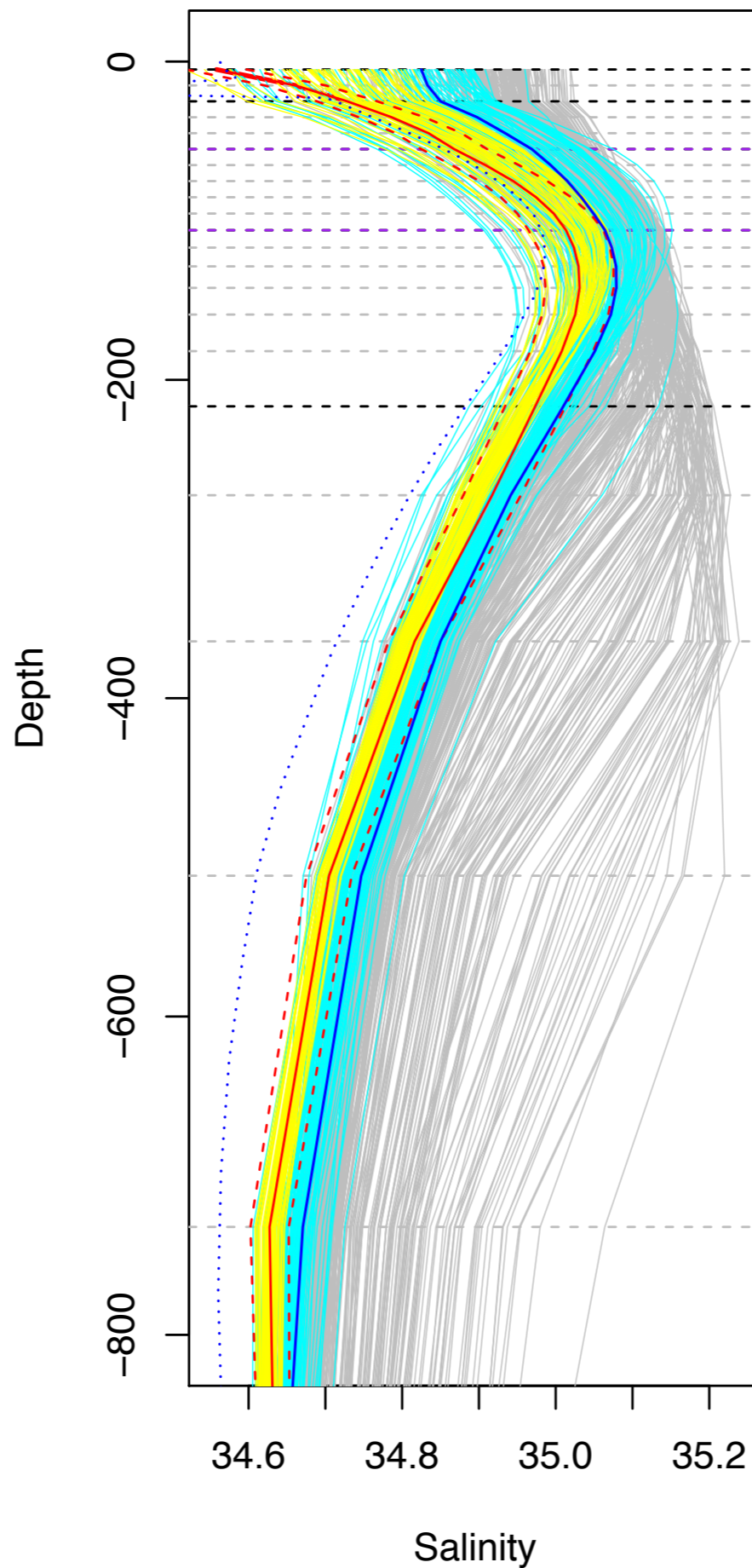
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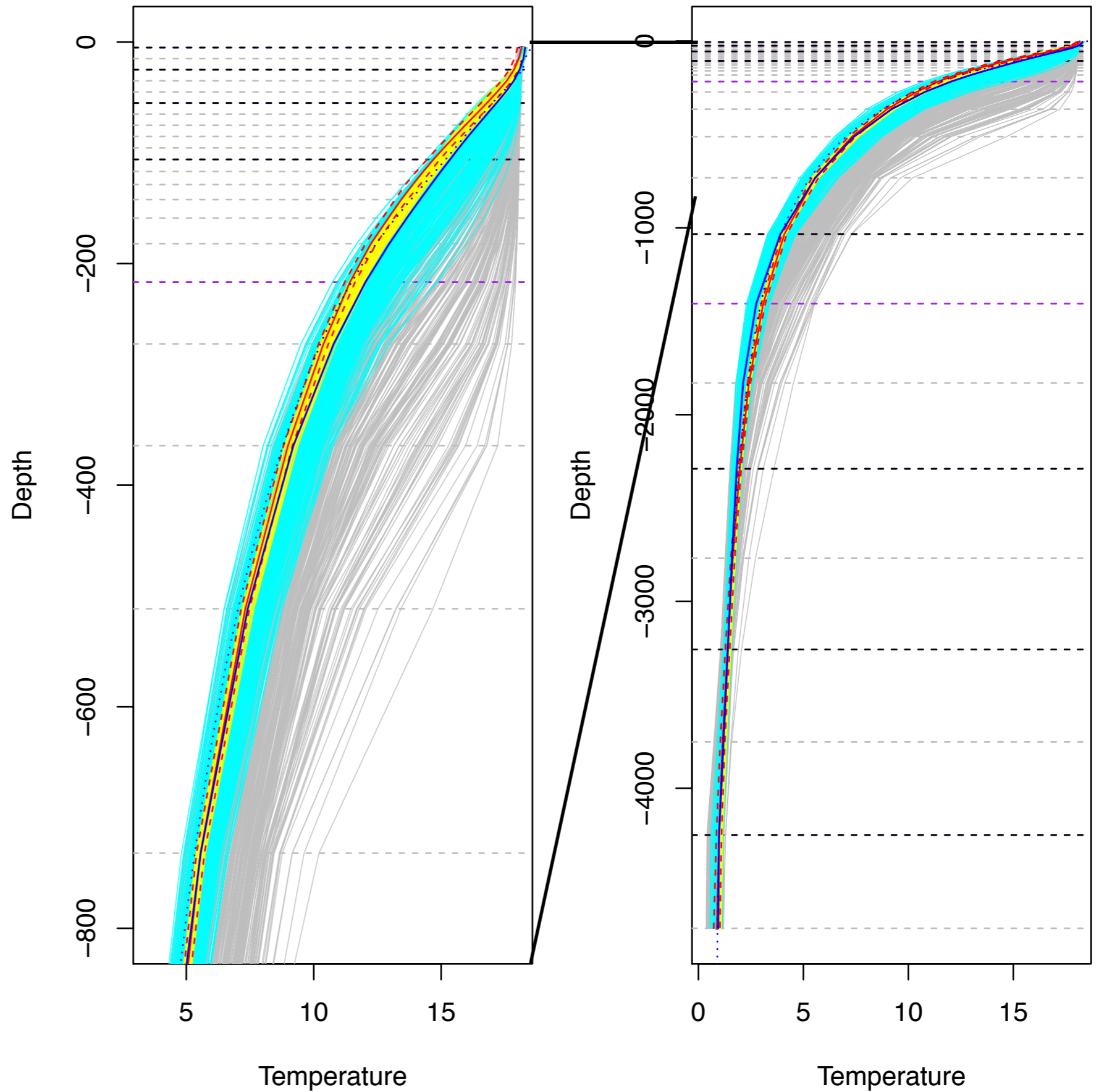
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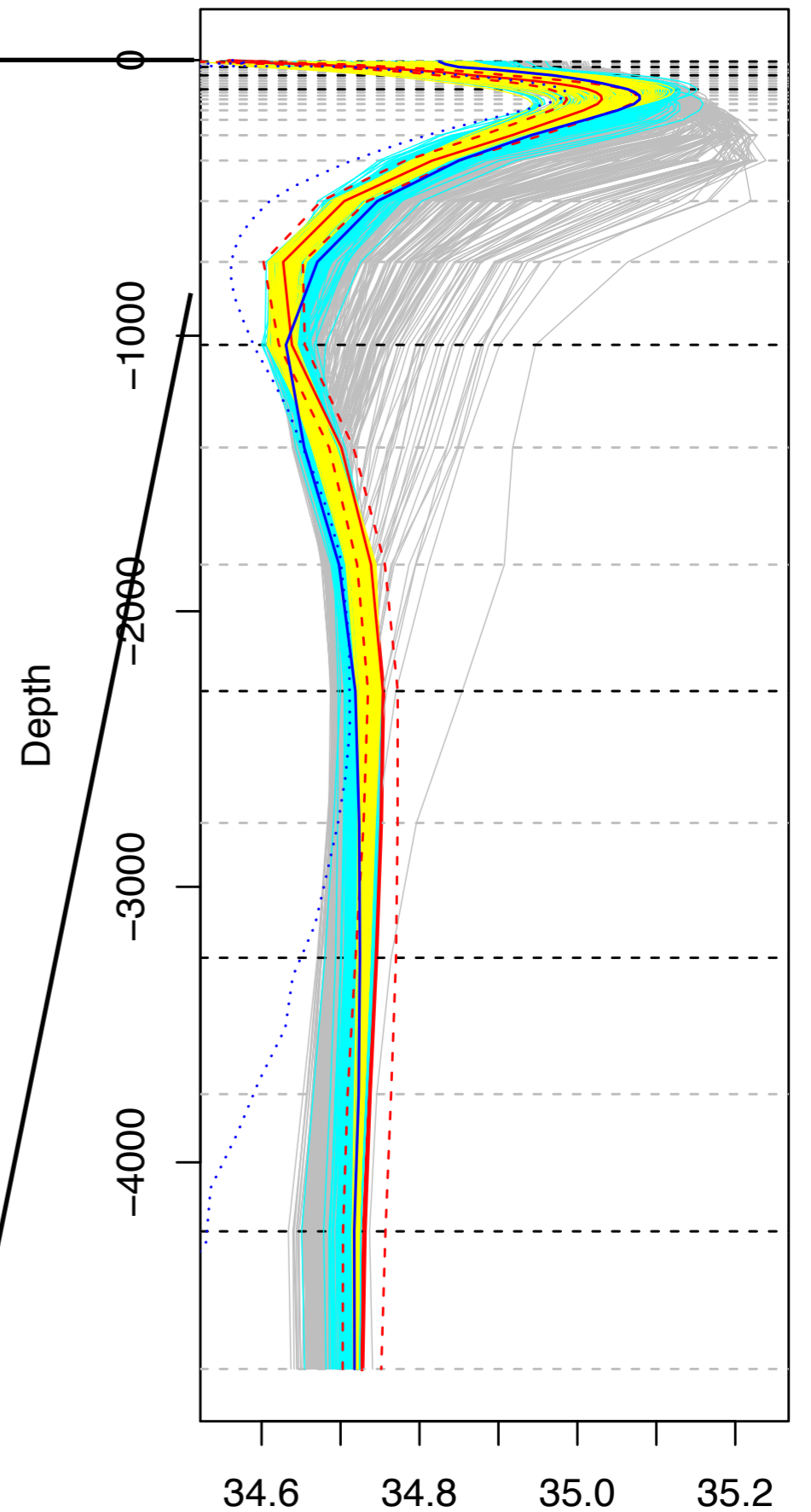
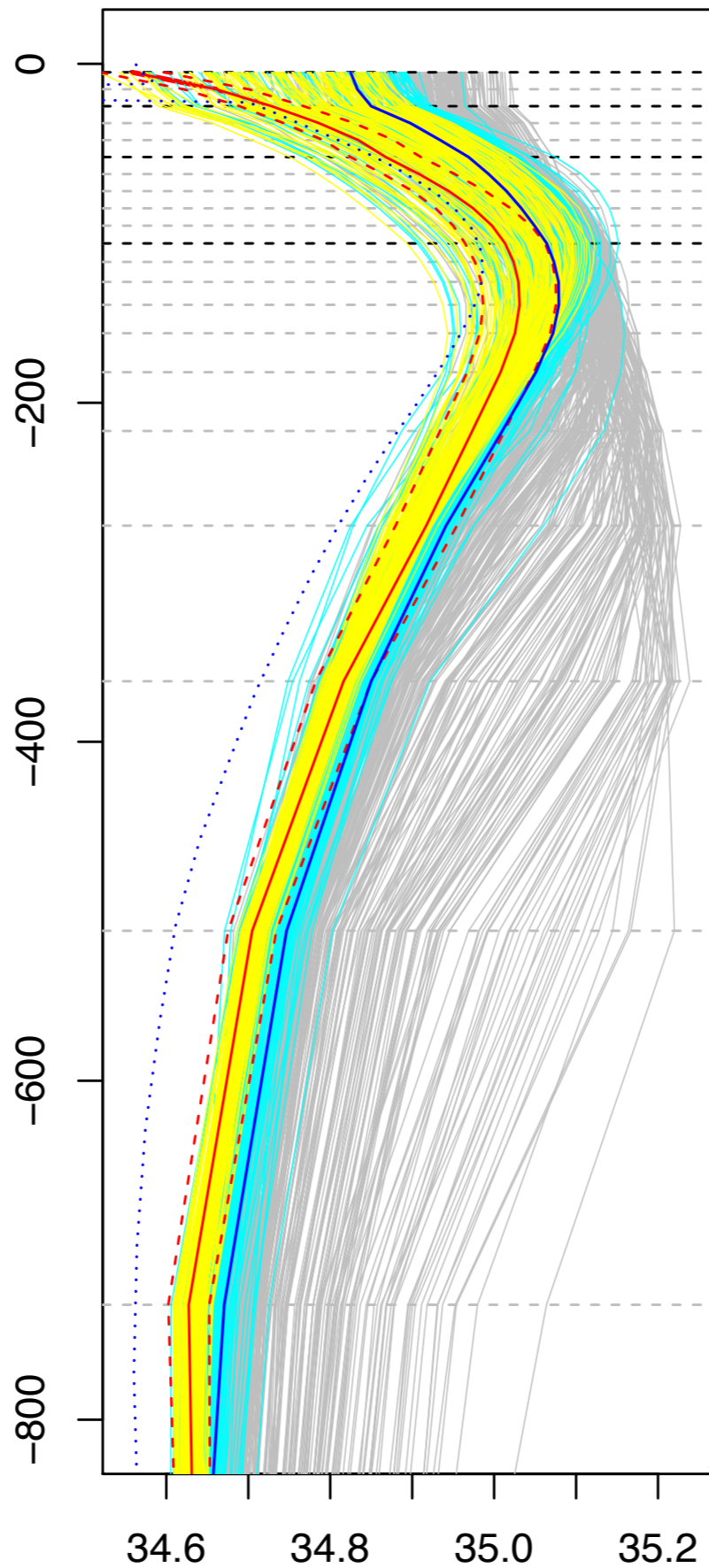
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# Discrepancy

- None of our models is perfect
- Kennedy and O'Hagan estimate discrepancy
- In history matching it is an input
- We need to elicit it

# 'Perfect' models

- In a 'perfect' model  $V_{disc} = 0$
- Add 'perfect' data  $\rightarrow V_y = 0$

$$Imp = \frac{(y - E(f(x)))^2}{V_{emul}}$$

- Both of these go to zero as we increase the number of model runs (under our assumptions)
- But which goes fastest?

# Stochastic Models

- So far all the models have been deterministic
- But we can generalise to stochastic models
- Emulate mean and variance of the model
- Split the discrepancy into a stochastic part (model variance) + the discrepancy
- Andrianakis et al (2015)

# Random Effects

- Some models should be fitted to individuals (e.g. cardiac models)
- But we aggregate data across groups
- This adds an additional uncertainty
- Data variance or additional discrepancy?

# Tolerance to error

- Often our NROY space will go to zero as we add more waves of model runs
- This implies the discrepancy variance is too small
- An alternative interpretation is that the discrepancy is our *tolerance to error*
- How bad are we prepared to let our models be to fit the data?



# Research Areas

- Which metric to match?
- Combining metrics
  - $Max(Imp)$  (Vernon et al 2010)
  - Second, third largest
- Multivariate methods

$$Imp^2 = (y - E(f(x)))^T Var(y - E(f(x)))^{-1} (y - E(f(x)))$$

- Spatial methods and dimension reduction
- Relating different models to each other
- For an interesting application in ABC (approximate Bayesian computation); see Richard Wilkinson's 2014 ArXiv paper

# Conclusions

- History matching (and GP emulators) allows us to do inverse problems without optimisation (or estimating posteriors)
- Even if we want to do conventional methods in the final NROY space, for example we may need a posterior, because of the limited region we expect the function to be much better behaved.