

Spatial Model Aggregation (X-MA) of stochastic Explicit Algebraic Reynolds Stress models

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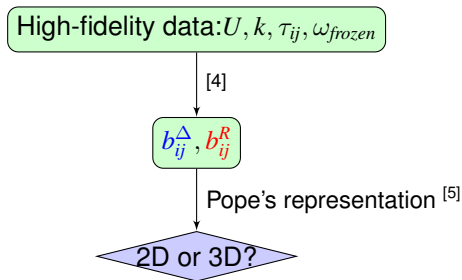
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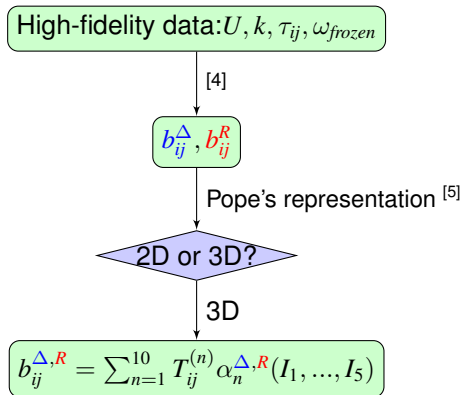
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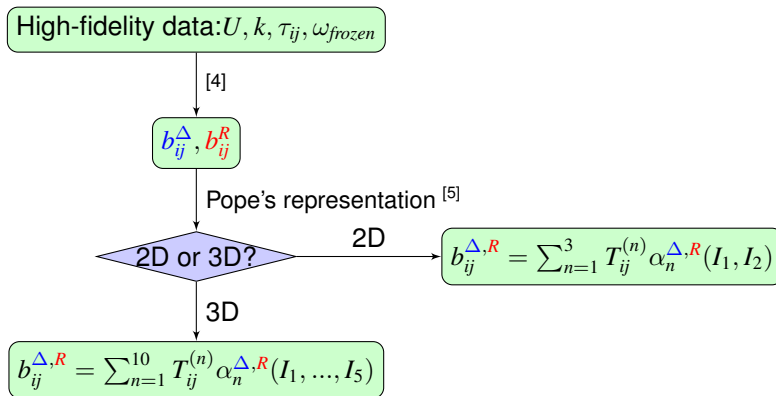
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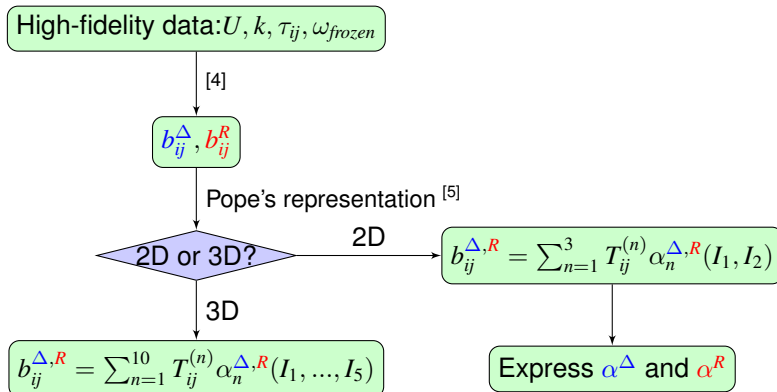
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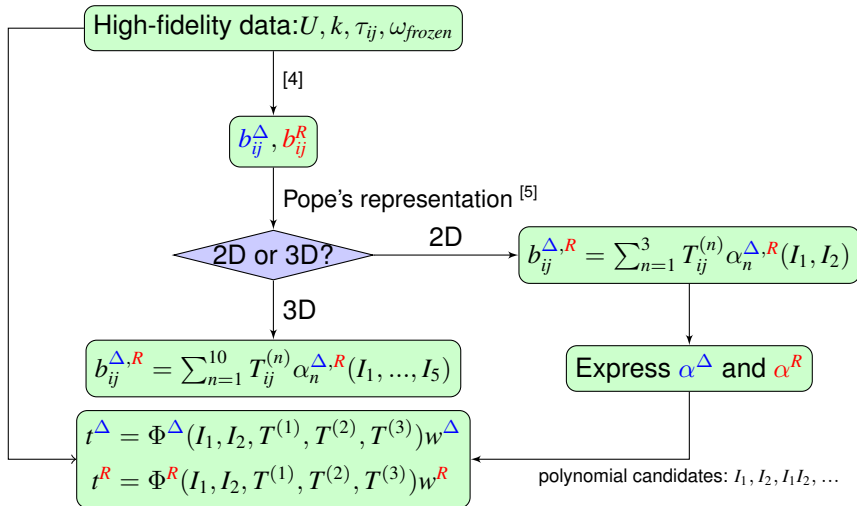
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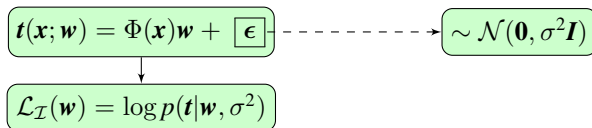
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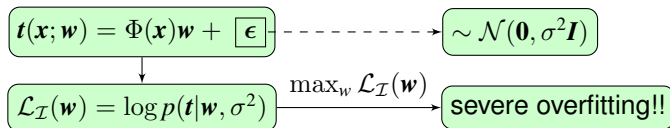
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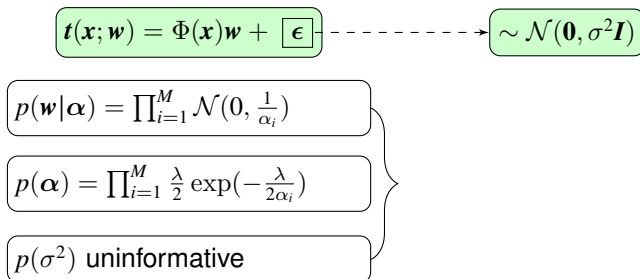
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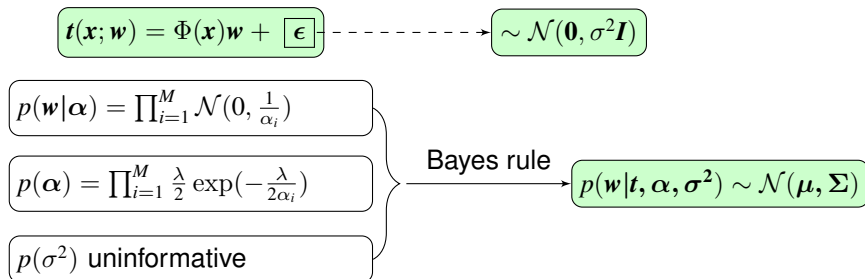
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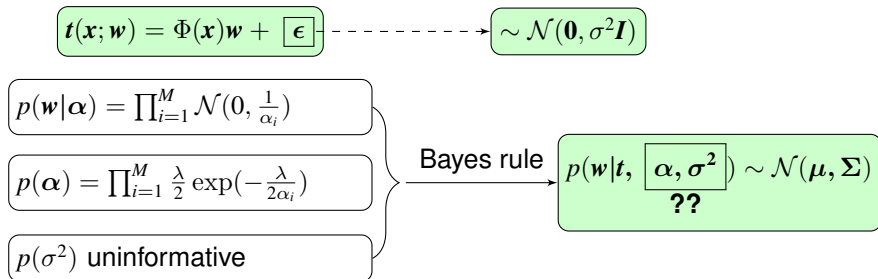
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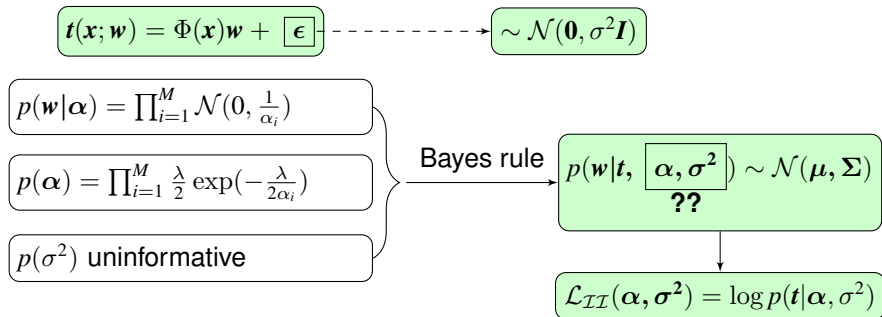
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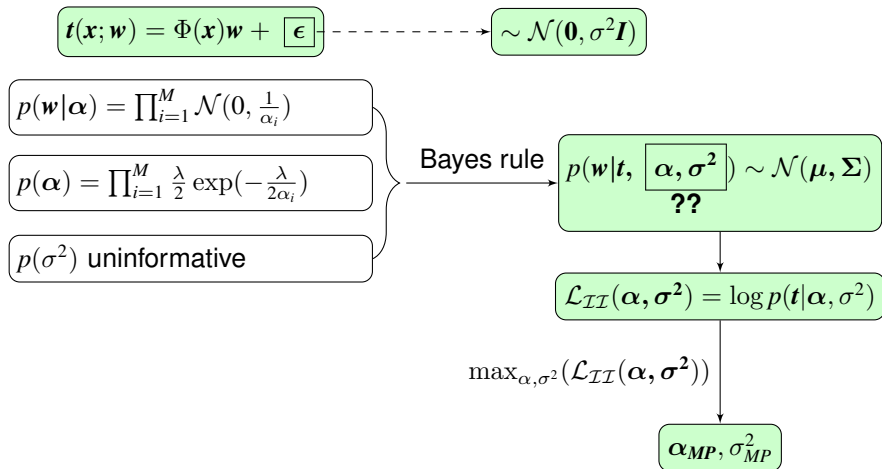
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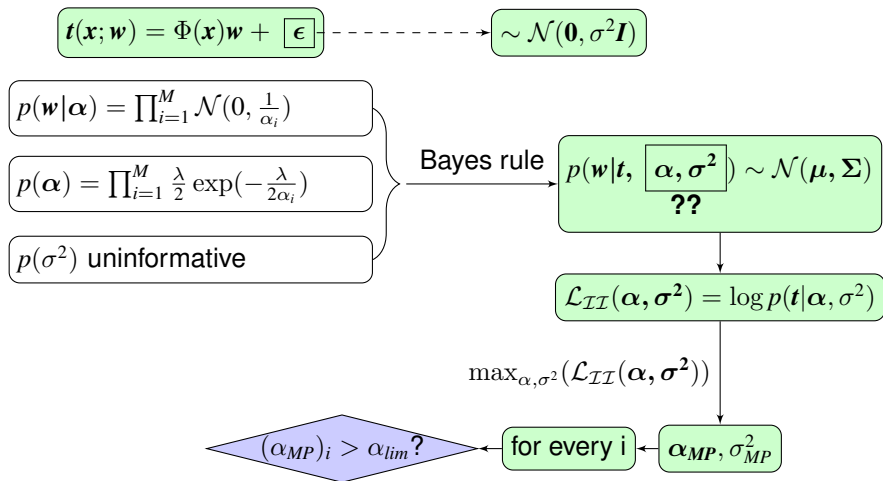


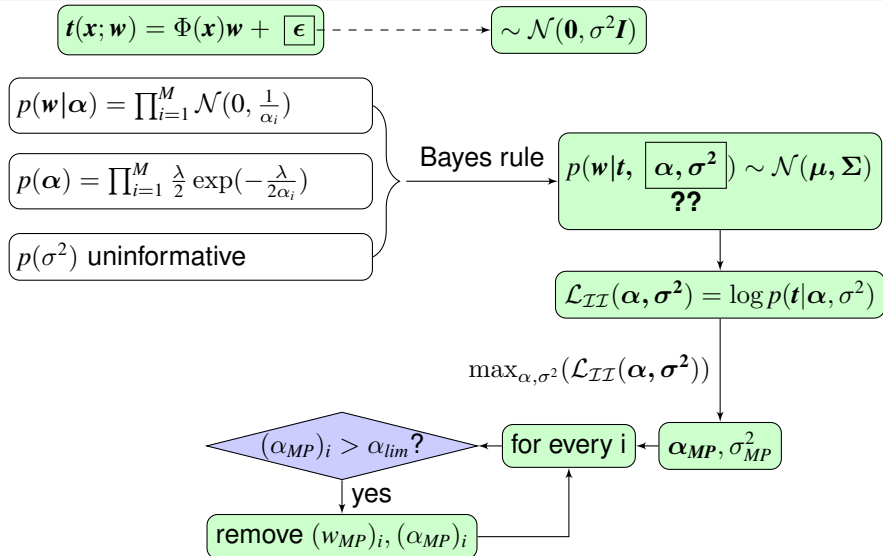
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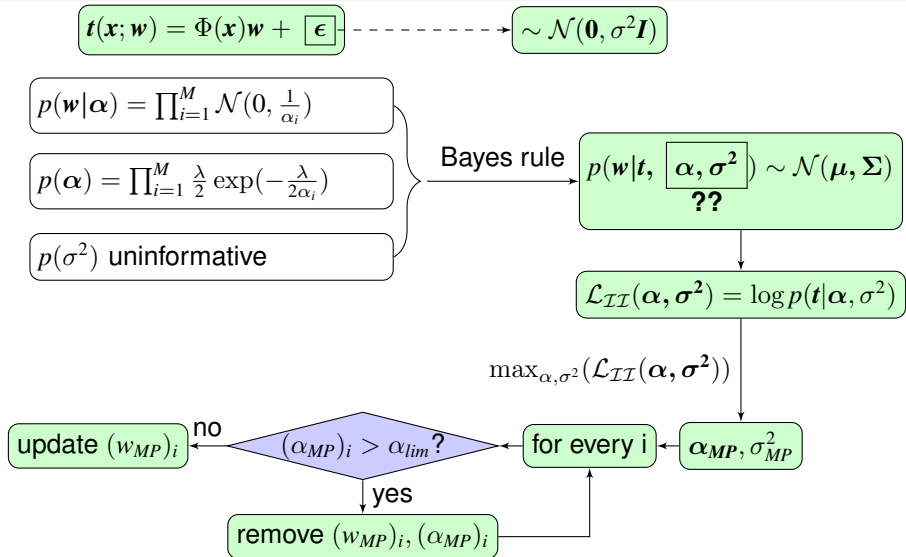
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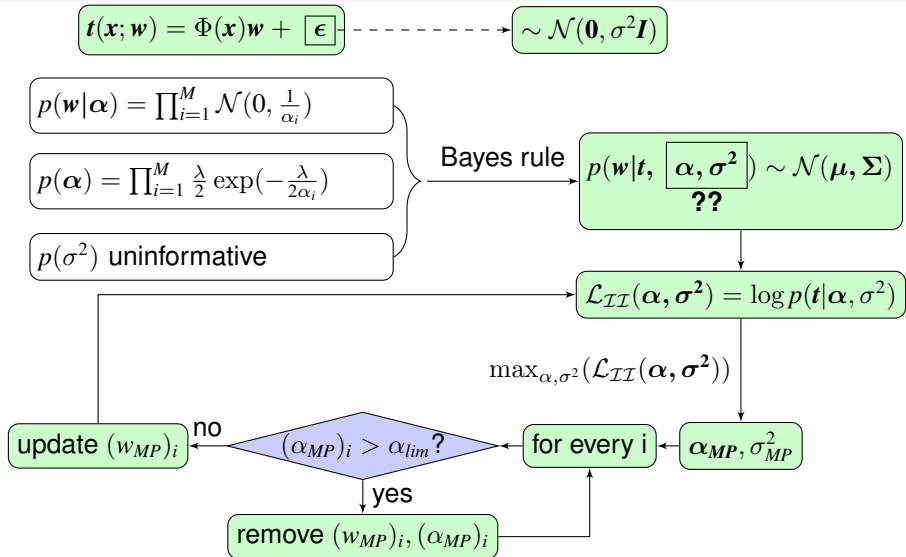


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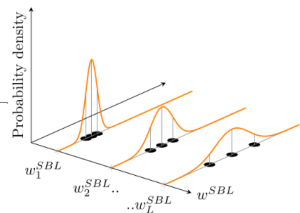
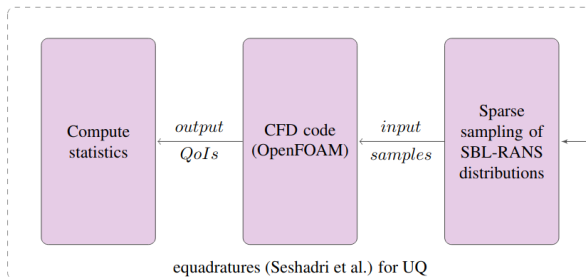
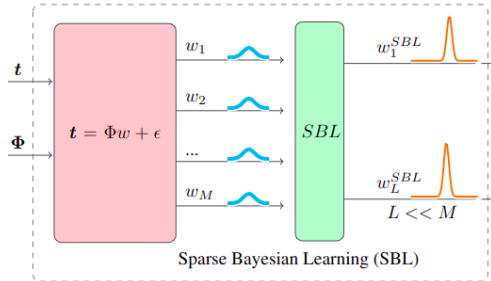
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MA: constant weights do not account for "regional" model behavior

X-MA: '**local**' and '**physics-aware**' aggregation:

$$\underbrace{\vec{\eta}(\mathbf{x}) = (\eta_1(x), \dots, \eta_{10}(x))}_{\text{local flow features}} \xrightarrow[W]{\text{CART}} \underbrace{(w_1(\delta^1(x); \bar{\delta}(x); \sigma_w), \dots, w_K(\delta^K(x); \bar{\delta}(x); \sigma_w))}_{\text{local models weights}} \quad (4)$$

$$d_{X-MA}(x) = \sum_{k=1}^K W_k(\vec{\eta}(\mathbf{x}); \sigma_w) d_k(x) \quad (5)$$

| Feature | Description | Formula | Feature | Description | Formula |
|----------|---|--|-------------|---|---|
| η_1 | Normalized Q criterion | $\frac{ \Omega ^2 - S ^2}{ \Omega ^2 + S ^2}$ | η_6 | Viscosity ratio | $\frac{\nu_T}{100\nu + \nu_T}$ |
| η_2 | Turbulence intensity | $\frac{k}{0.5U_i U_i + k}$ | η_7 | Ratio of pressure normal stresses to normal shear stresses | $\frac{\sqrt{\frac{\partial P}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_i}}}{\sqrt{\frac{\partial P}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_j} + 0.5\rho \frac{\partial U_k^2}{\partial x_k}}}$ |
| η_3 | Turbulent Reynolds number | $\min\left(\frac{\sqrt{k}\lambda}{50\nu}, 2\right)$ | η_8 | Non-orthogonality marker between velocity and its gradient [28] | $\frac{ U_k U_l \frac{\partial U_k}{\partial x_l} }{\sqrt{U_n U_n U_l \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} U_m \frac{\partial U_m}{\partial x_j} + U_l U_j \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} }}$ |
| η_4 | Pressure gradient along streamline | $\frac{U_k \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_k}}{\sqrt{\frac{\partial P}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_j} U_i U_i + U_l \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_l} }}$ | η_9 | Ratio of convection to production of k | $\frac{U_i \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_i}}{\frac{ u'_j u'_j S_{jl} + U_l \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_l}}{}}$ |
| η_5 | Ratio of turbulent time scale to mean strain time scale | $\frac{ S k}{ S k + \varepsilon}$ | η_{10} | Ratio of total Reynolds stresses to normal Reynolds stresses | $\frac{ u'_i u'_j }{k + u'_i u'_j }$ |

Training Data

| Ref | case | Data |
|-------|---------|--|
| D_1 | ZPG-TBL | DNS of turbulent boundary layer, $670 \leq Re_\theta \leq 4060$ ^[7] |
| D_2 | FDC | DNS of turbulent channel flow, $180 \leq Re_\tau \leq 590$ ^[8] |
| D_3 | ANSJ | PIV of near sonic axisymmetric jet ^[9] |
| D_4 | APG | LES of adverse pressure-gradient TBL ^[10] $Re_\theta \leq 4000$, $\beta = 4, 5$ different pressure gradients |
| D_5 | SEP | LES of Periodic Hills at $Re=10595$ ^[11] DNS of converging-diverging channel at $Re=13600$ ^[12] LES of curved backward facing step at $Re = 13700$ ^[13] |
| D_6 | N4412 | LES of NACA4412 at $\alpha = 5$, $Re_c = 10^5, 2.10^5, 4.10^5, 10^6$ ^[14] |

- SBL-EARSM models are inferred using Reynolds stress data
- The aggregation of models is using streamwise velocity data

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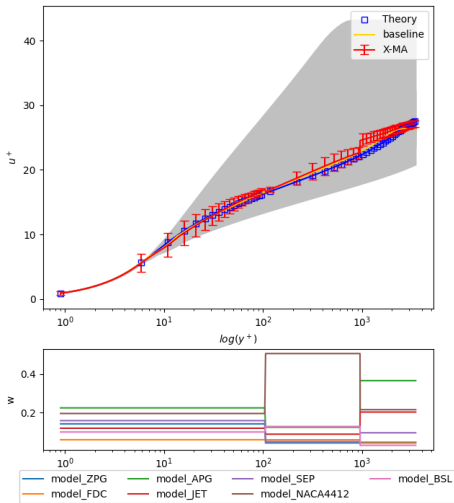
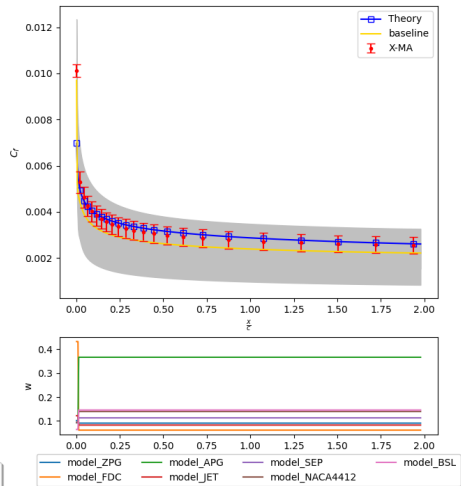
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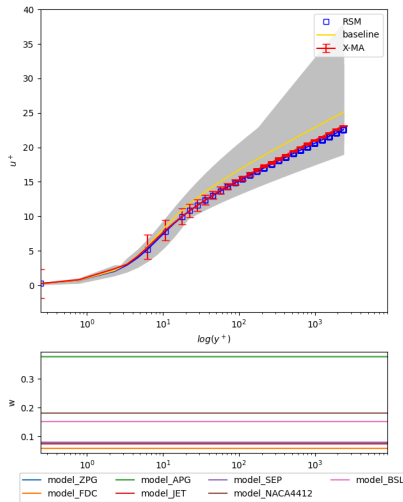
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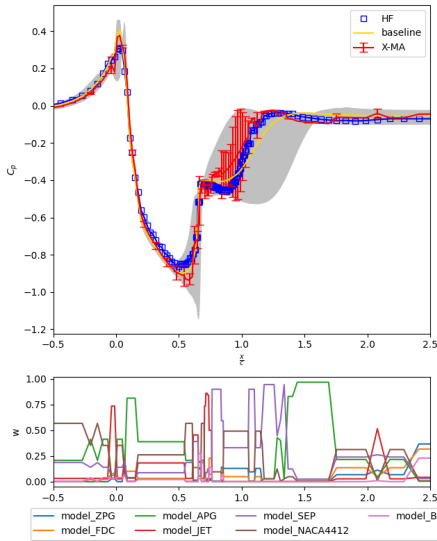
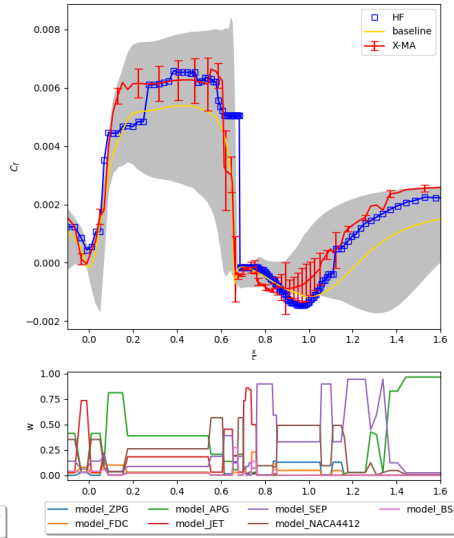
Case 2DZP: zero pressure boundary layer

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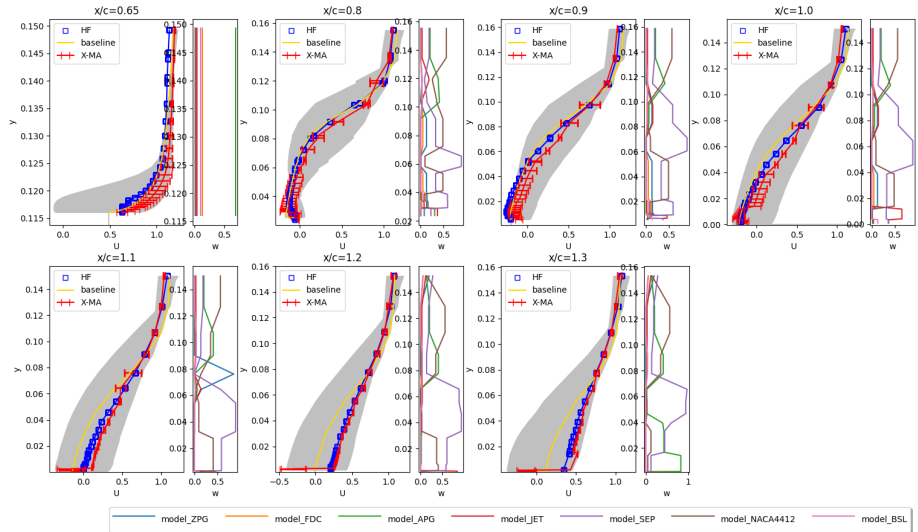
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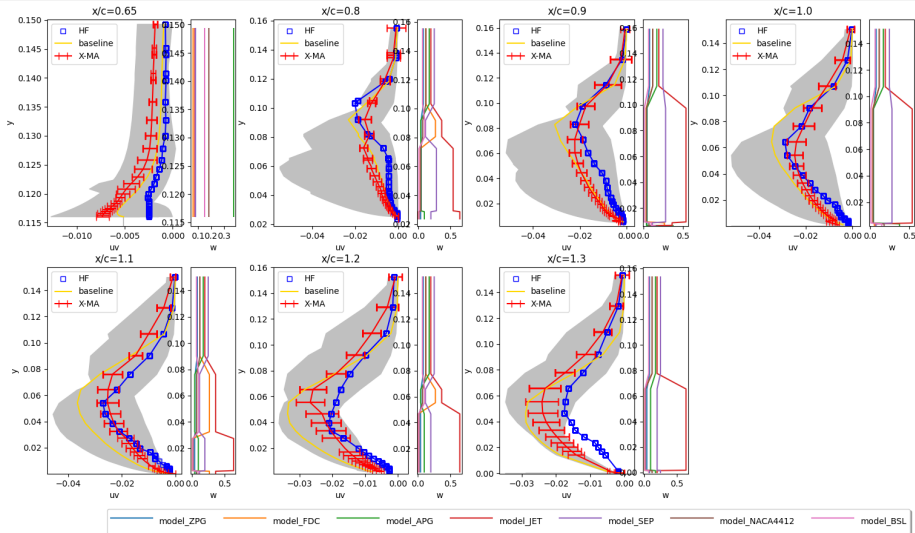
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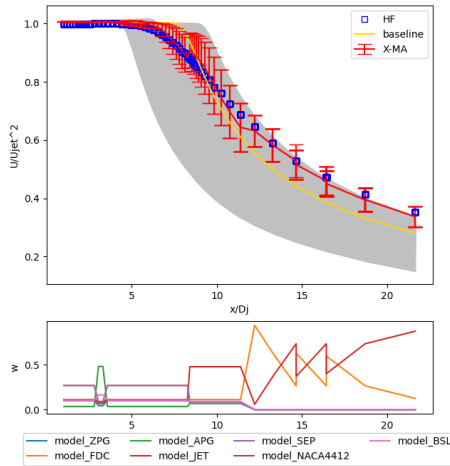
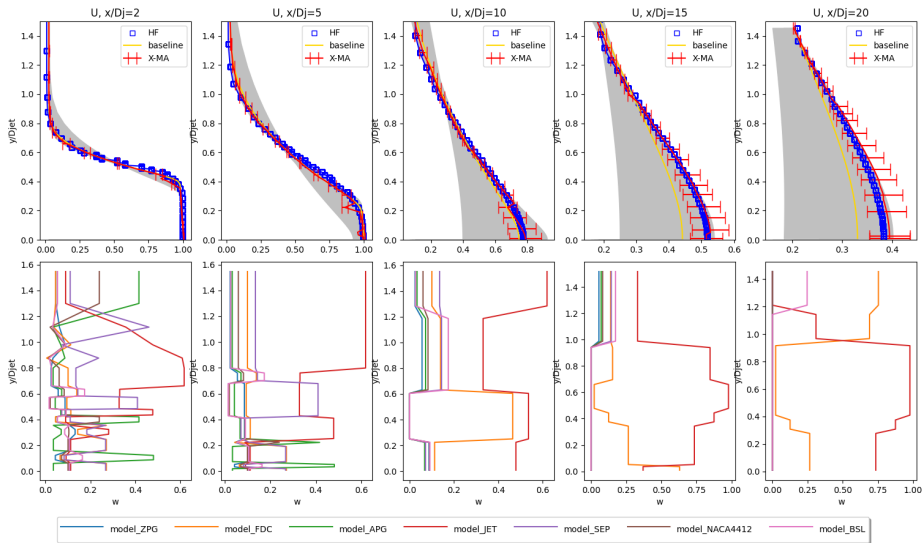
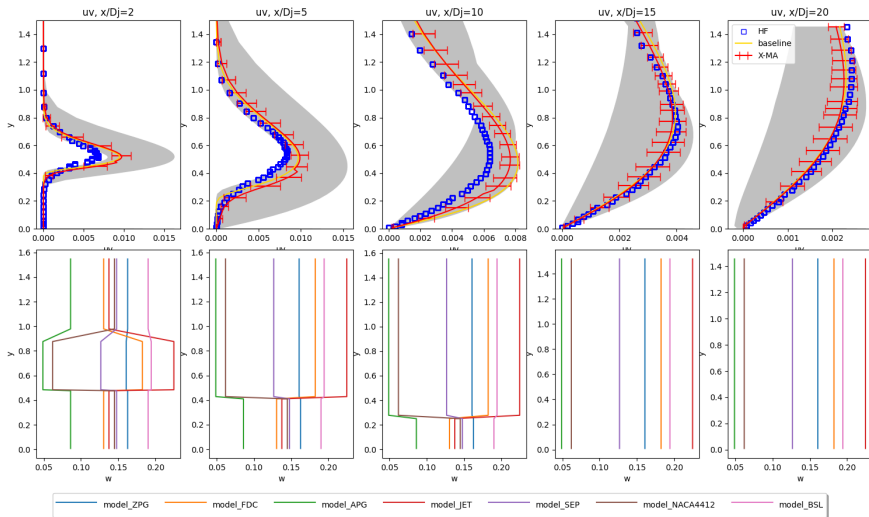


Figure 9: Streamwise velocity along symmetry axis

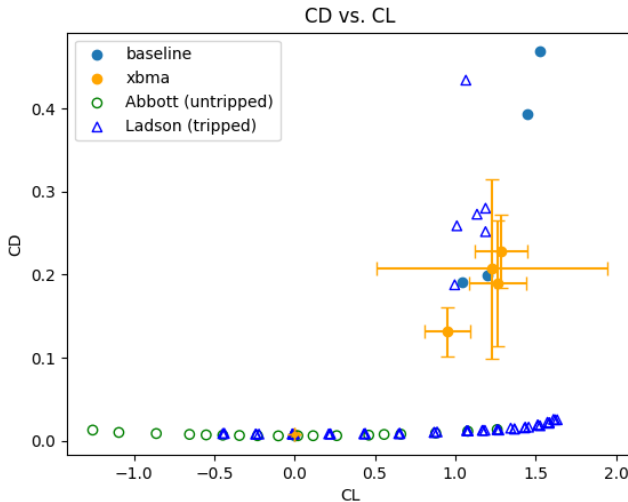
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Case 2DN00: NACA 0012 Airfoil

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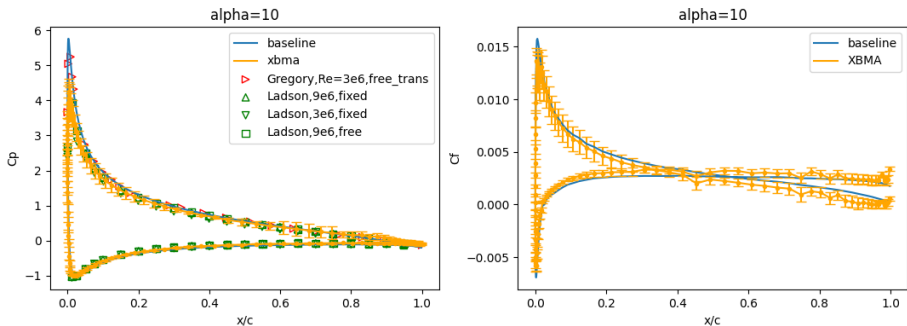


Figure 13: C_p vs. x (left) and C_f vs. x (right) at $\alpha = 10^\circ$

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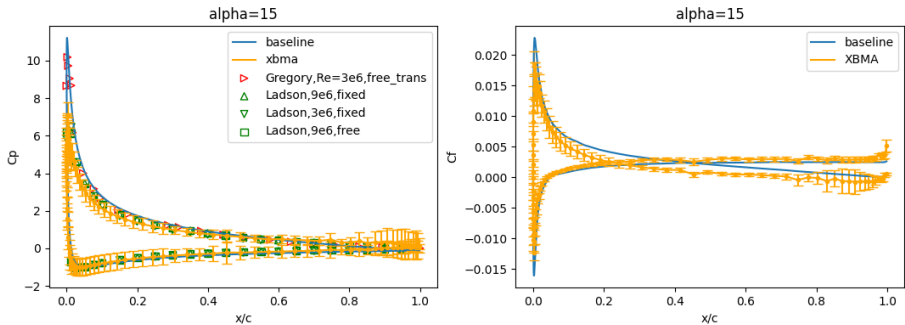


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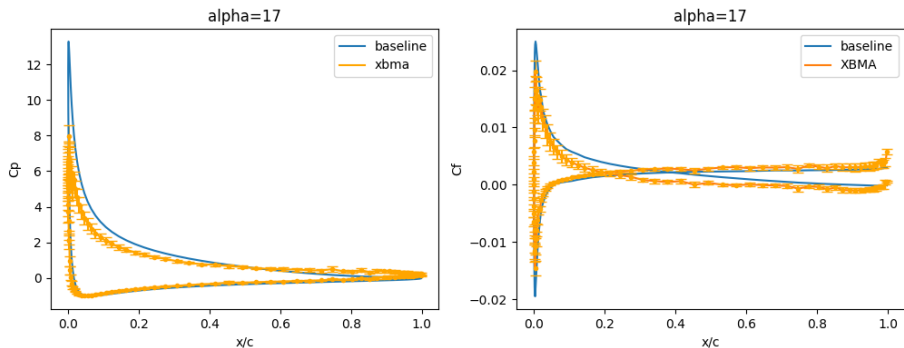


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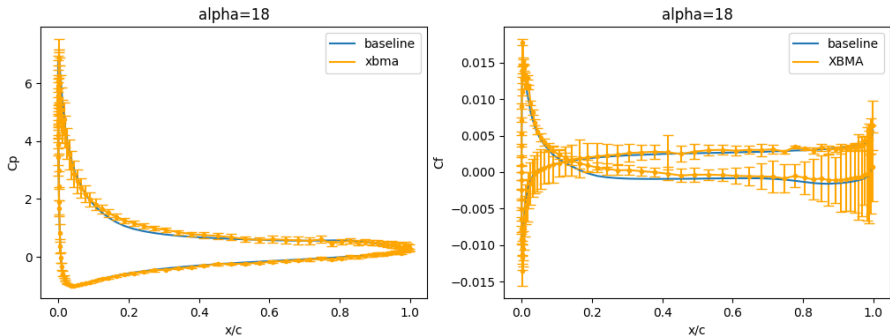


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| (FDC) | $\begin{cases} \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{b}^\Delta}^{(2)} = [(0.168 \pm 0.0886)]\mathbf{T}^{(1)} \pm 0.893 \\ \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{b}^R}^{(2)} = [(3.21 \pm 0.361) + (-2.88 \pm 1.24)(I_1^3 - I_2^3) + (-0.176 \pm 0.32)(I_1^9 - I_2^9)]\mathbf{T}^{(3)} \pm 0.00337 \end{cases}$ |
| (ANSJ) | $\begin{cases} \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{b}^\Delta}^{(3)} = [(0)] \pm 0.00863 \\ \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{b}^R}^{(3)} = [(-0.35 \pm 0.0143)]\mathbf{T}^{(1)} + [(-38.476 \pm 2.16)]\mathbf{T}^{(3)} \pm 0.00241 \end{cases}$ |

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| (SEP) | $\begin{cases} \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{b}\Delta}^{(5)} = [(0)] \pm 0.00669 \\ \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{b}^R}^{(5)} = [(0.382 \pm 0.0184)]\mathbf{T}^{(1)} \pm 0.0385 \end{cases}$ |
| (N4412) | $\begin{cases} \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{b}\Delta}^{(6)} = [(-0.39 \pm 0.000214)]\mathbf{T}^{(1)} + [(7.00 \pm 0.00169)]\mathbf{T}^{(2)} + \\ \quad [(6.00 \pm 0.038)]\mathbf{T}^{(3)} \pm 0.000626 \\ \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{b}^R}^{(6)} = [(0)] \pm 0.00011 \end{cases}$ |

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- Let:
 - θ a random variable referring to the generic 'non-infered' model coefficients
 - D^{Calib} a random variable referring to the high-fidelity training data set
- With the SBL framework, we have:

$$\theta|D_k^{Calib} \Leftrightarrow \theta_k^{SBL}|D_k^{Calib}, M_k \quad (6)$$

where:

- M a random variable referring to the inferred form of the SBL correction
 - θ^{SBL} a random variable referring to the inferred model coefficients under the model form M
- We use high-fidelity velocity data to evaluate the relevance of the derived models to each other:
 - D^{Eval} high-fidelity velocity data used to calculate models' weights

Model Aggregation (MA) formulation

- We want to make predictions on an unseen quantity d_t :

$$p(d_t|D^{Eval}) = \sum_{k=1}^K p(d_t, D_k^{Calib}|D^{Eval}) \quad (7)$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^K \int p(d_t, D_k^{Calib}, \theta|D^{Eval}) d\theta \quad (8)$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^K \int p(d_t, \theta_k^{SBL}, M_k, D_k^{Calib}|D^{Eval}) d\theta_k^{SBL} \quad (9)$$

$$p(d_t|D^{Eval}) = \sum_{k=1}^K \underbrace{p(M_k, D_k^{Calib}|D^{Eval})}_{\text{model-probability}} \int \underbrace{p(d_t|M_k, D_k^{Calib}, \theta_k^{SBL})}_{\text{likelihood}} \underbrace{p(\theta_k^{SBL}|M_k, D_k^{Calib})}_{\text{posterior}} d\theta_k^{SBL} \quad (10)$$

- $p(M_k, D_k^{Calib}|D^{Eval})$ can be calculated using Bayes' theorem:

$$p(M_k, D_k^{Calib}|D^{Eval}) = \frac{p(D^{Eval}|M_k, D_k^{Calib})}{\sum_{l=1}^K p(D^{Eval}|M_l, D_l^{Calib})} \quad (11)$$

Spatial Model Aggregation (X-MA)

- We want to make the probability of every model sensitive to local flow features:

- 1 We train a CART to identify clusters in the flow and learn the weights of every model using local flow features
- 2 Every cluster gives a convex combinaison of the models' weights

$$\vec{\eta}(\mathbf{x}) = (\eta_1(x), \dots, \eta_{10}(x)) \xrightarrow[w]{\text{CART}} \left(p(M_1, D_1^{\text{Calib}} | D^{\text{Eval}}(x)), \dots, p(M_K, D_K^{\text{Calib}} | D^{\text{Eval}}(x)) \right)$$

- The X-MA writes:

$$p(d_t(x) | D^{\text{Eval}}) = \sum_{k=1}^K w(\vec{\eta}(\mathbf{x}))_k \int p(d_t | M_k, D_k^{\text{Calib}}, \theta_k^{\text{SBL}}) p(\theta_k^{\text{SBL}} | M_k, D_k^{\text{Calib}}) d\theta_k^{\text{SBL}}$$

- We can prove that:

$$E(d_t(x) | D^{\text{Eval}}) = \sum_{k=1}^K w(\vec{\eta}(\mathbf{x}))_k E(d_t | M_k, D_k^{\text{Calib}}) \quad (12)$$

$$\text{Var}(d_t(x) | D^{\text{Eval}}) = \sum_{k=1}^K w(\vec{\eta}(\mathbf{x}))_k \text{Var}(d_t | M_k, D_k^{\text{Calib}}) \quad (13)$$

Grid search

- We performed a preliminary grid search to study the effect of two hyperparameters:
 - The depth of the CART tree: $mdepth$
 - The noise used to model the distribution of high-fidelity data around the SBL-EARSM predictions and that is used to calculate the likelihoods: σ^{CART}
- The choice of the best hyperparameters depend on the velocity predictions of the training set
- Results show that:
 - $\sigma_{optim}^{CART} \simeq 0.01$
 - 2 values of $mdepth_{optim}$ are found:
 - $mdepth_{optim} \simeq 3$ for optimal τ_{xy} predictions
 - $mdepth_{optim} \simeq 10$ for all other Quantities of Interest
- A deeper and more precise grid search around these optimal value is needed for an optimal final result