



Slycat Ensemble Analysis & Visualization

Workshop on Next-Generation Analytics for the Future Power Grid

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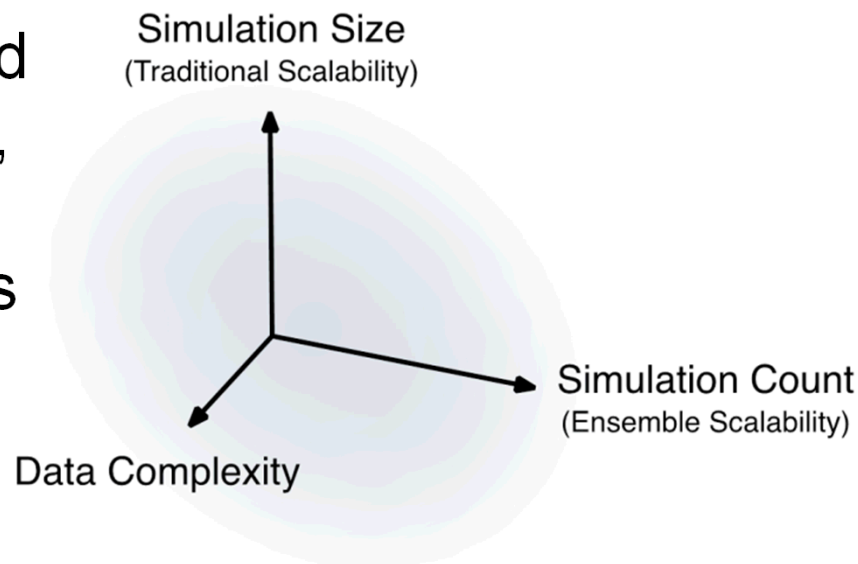
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A Different Scaling Problem

We run thousands of related simulations to sample a shared problem space (an ensemble), but we lack scalable tools to analyze or visualize the results as a whole.



Ensemble Challenges:

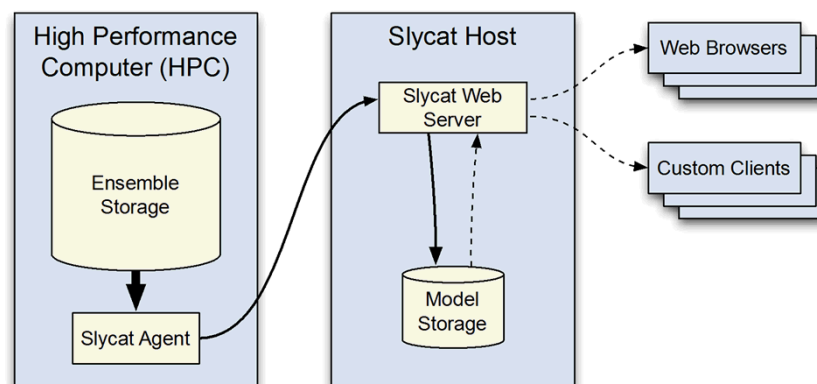
- **Data Management:** How do we interactively explore remote ensemble data as it scales?
- **Interpretation:** How do we understand thousands of runs as a group?
- **Representations:** What visual abstractions can we use to reveal group behaviors?



Slycat – Analysis as a Service

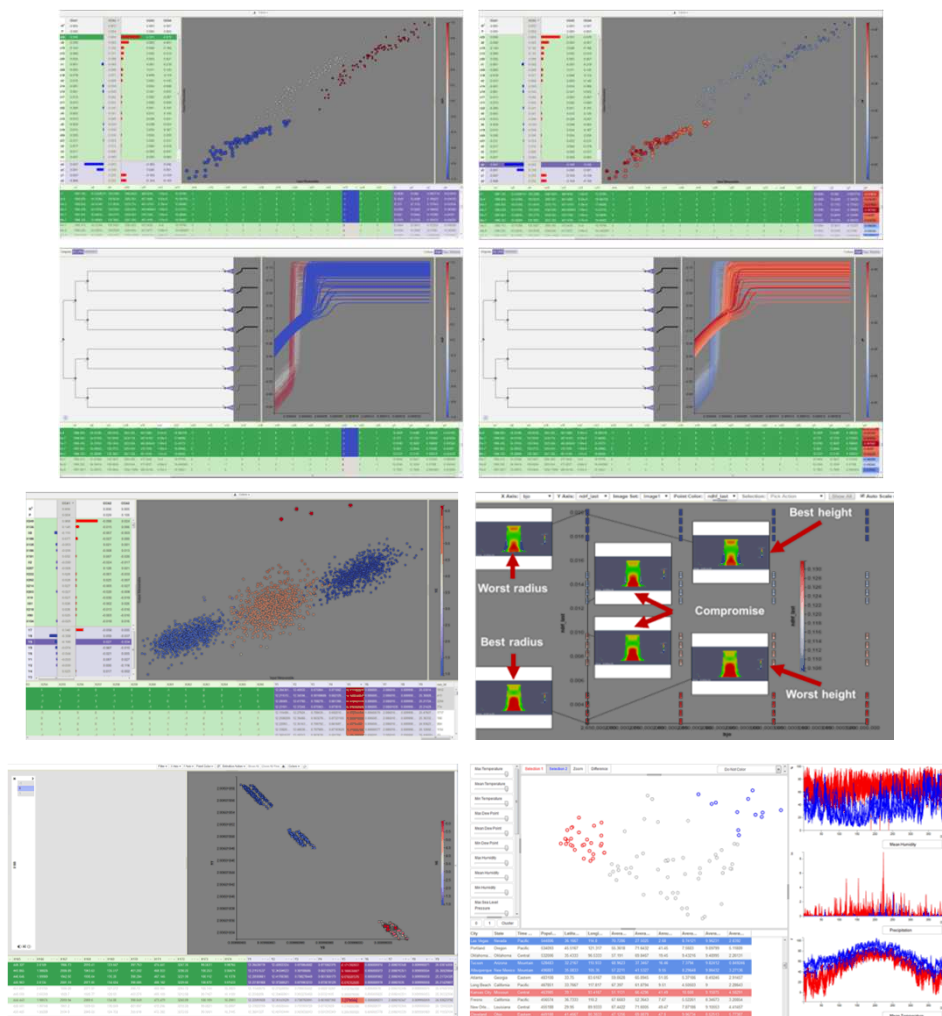
Slycat Server with Remote Desktop Delivery

- HPC-based agents operate on ensemble data in place
- Slycat server stores and manipulates analysis models
- Models are visualized remotely, interactively, and collaboratively
- Models support sensitivity analysis, anomaly detection, and parameter space exploration



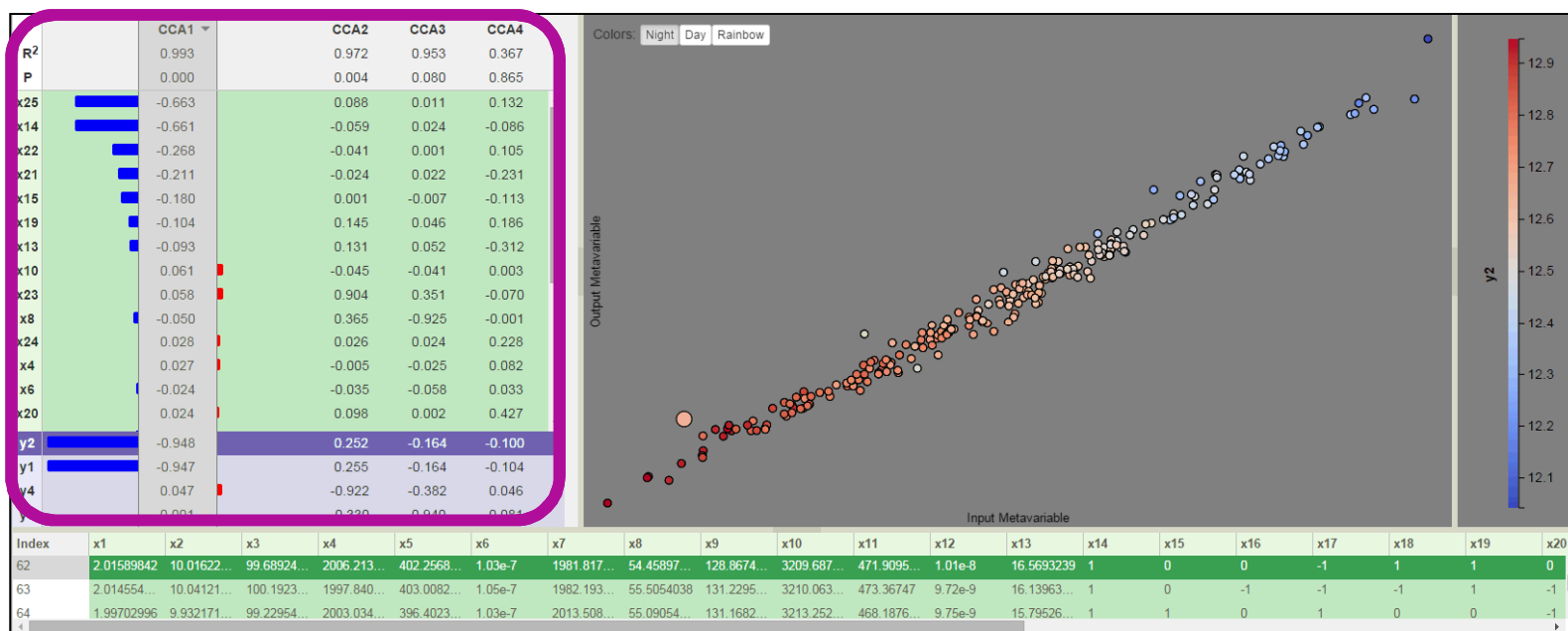
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- Sensitivity Analysis
 - Model Understanding
 - Model Simplification
- Anomaly Detection
 - Unique Features
 - Debugging
- Parameter Space Exploration
 - Optimization
 - Solution Robustness
 - Result Clustering
- Ensemble Comparison



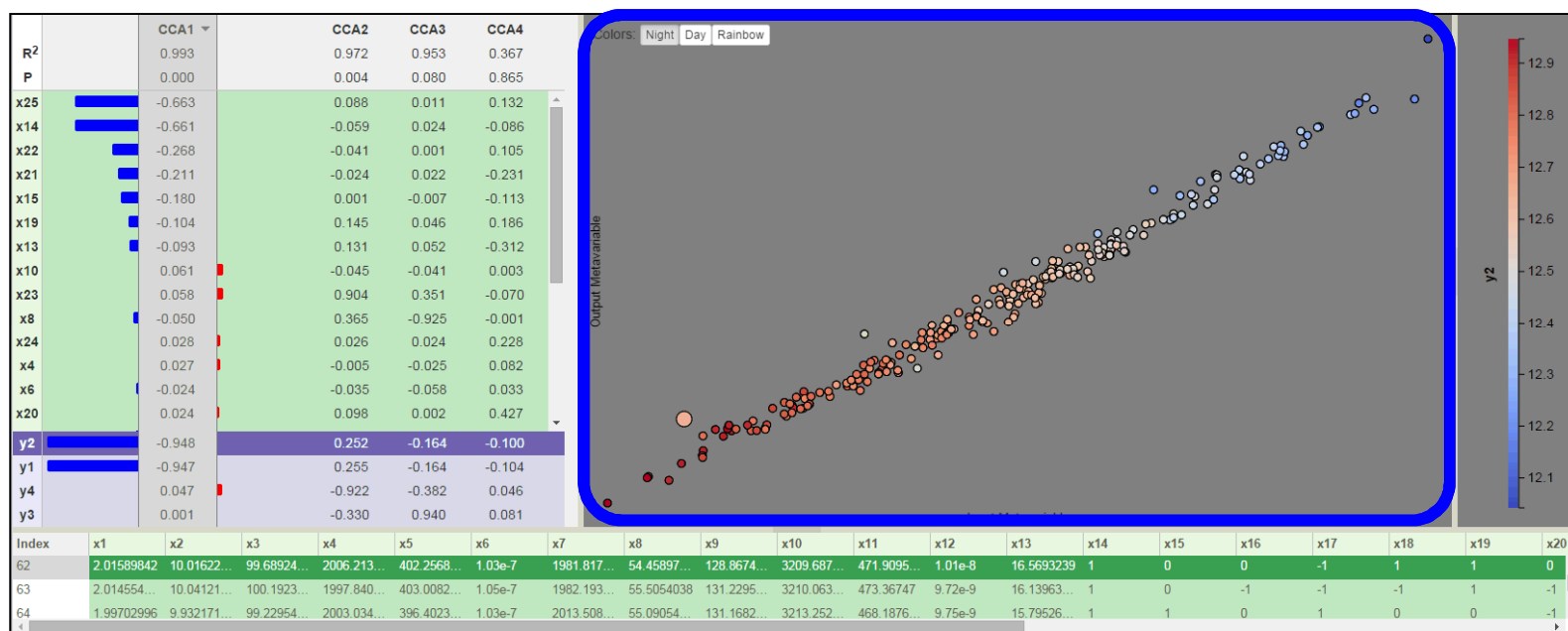
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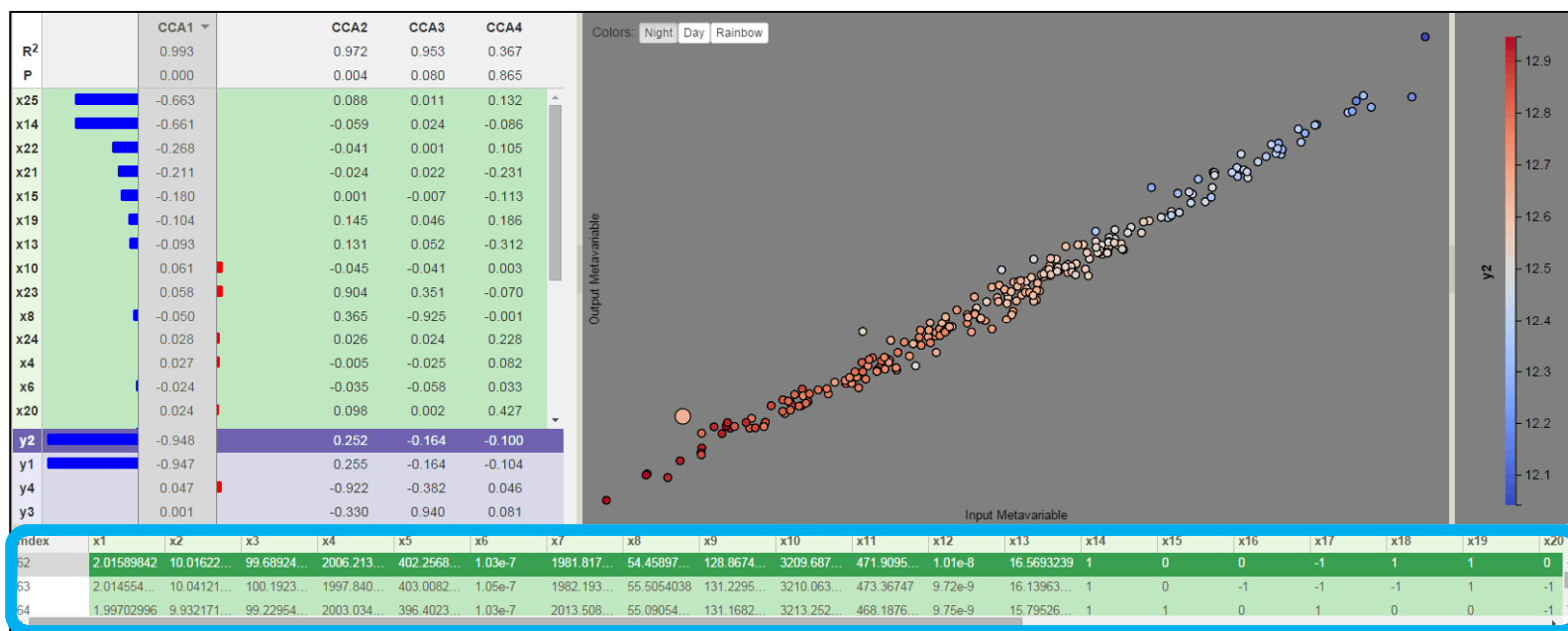
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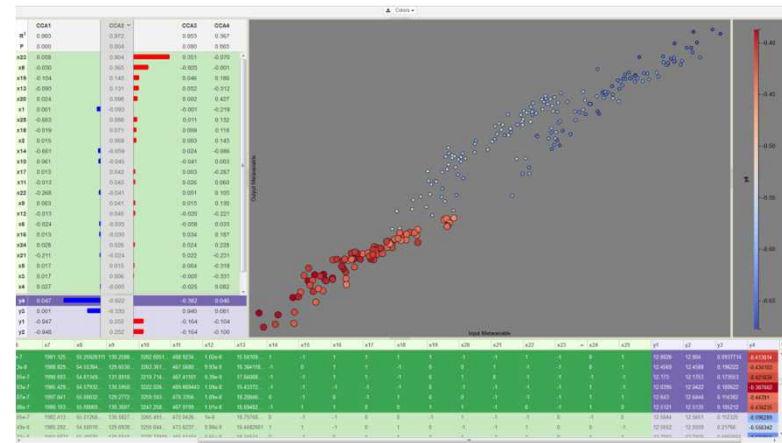
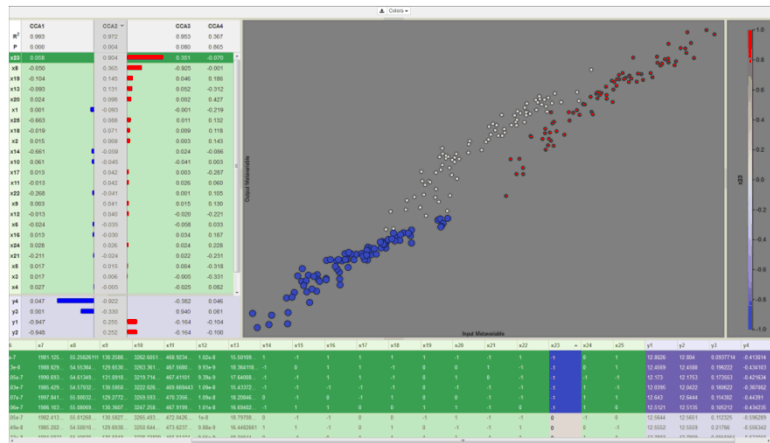
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- Run-specific data (numeric values, images, or videos)



Ensemble Use Cases: Sensitivity Analysis

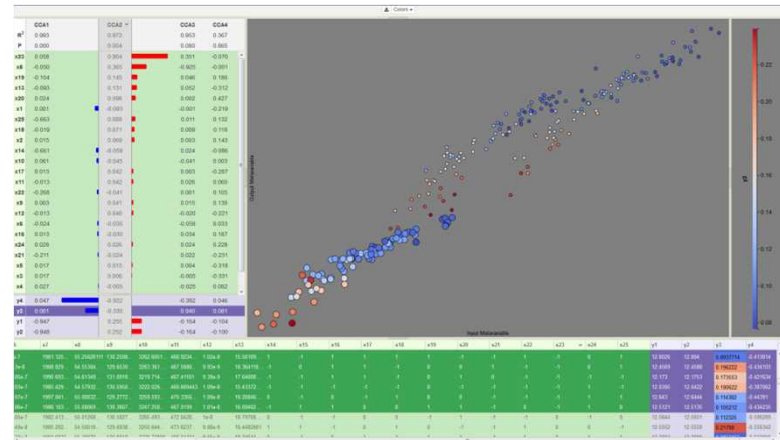
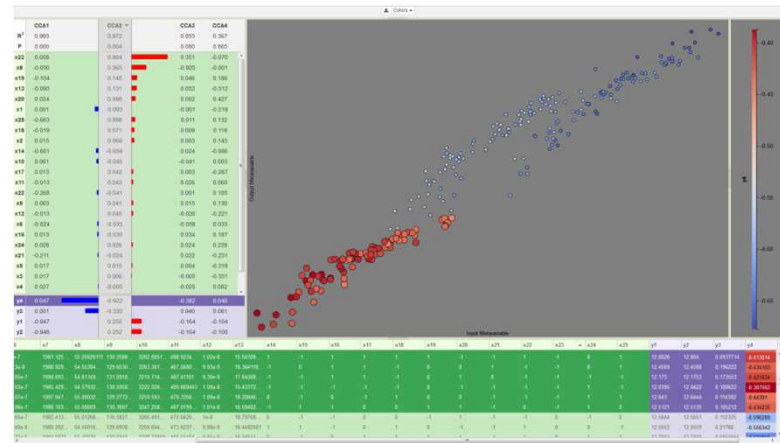
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Canonical Correlation Analysis:
All-to-all correlations

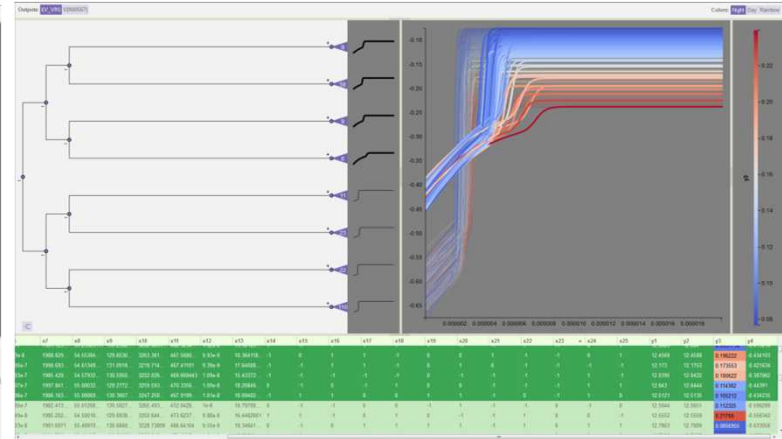
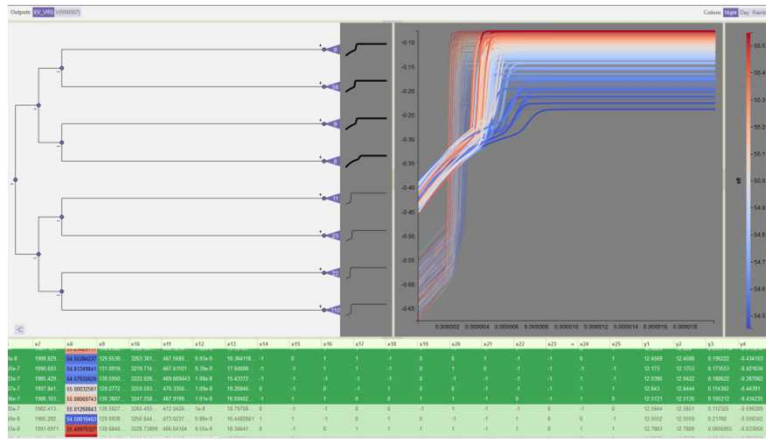
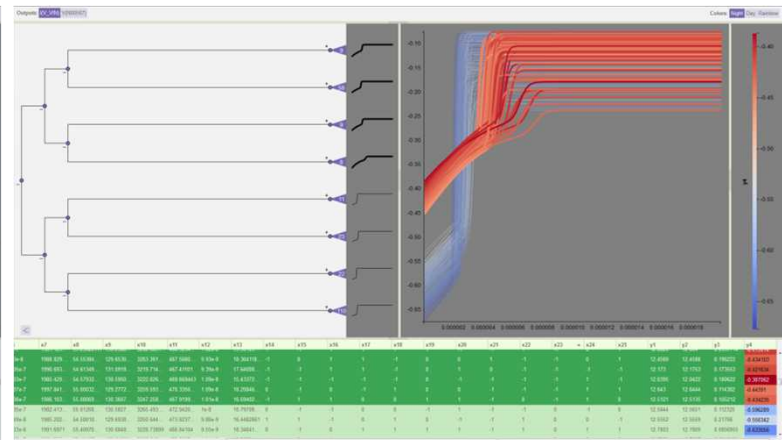
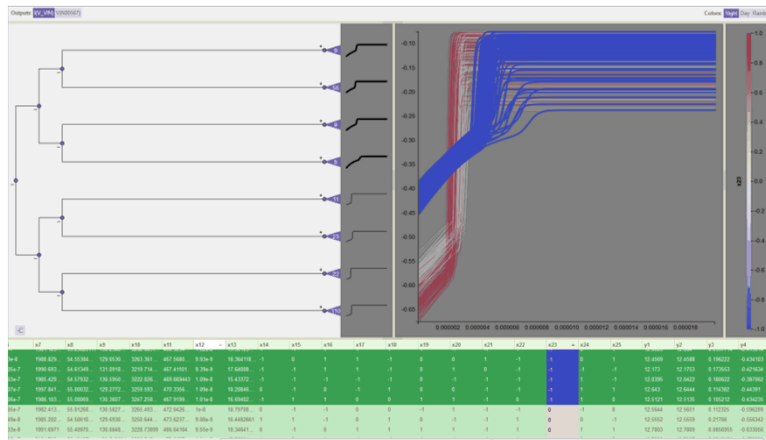
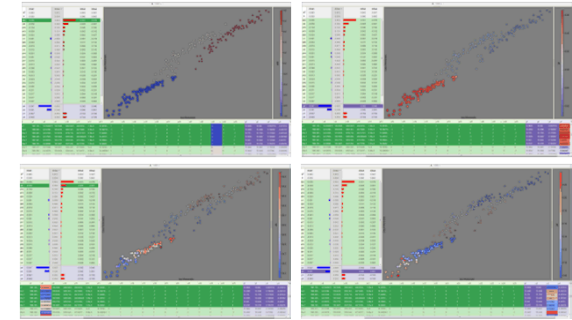


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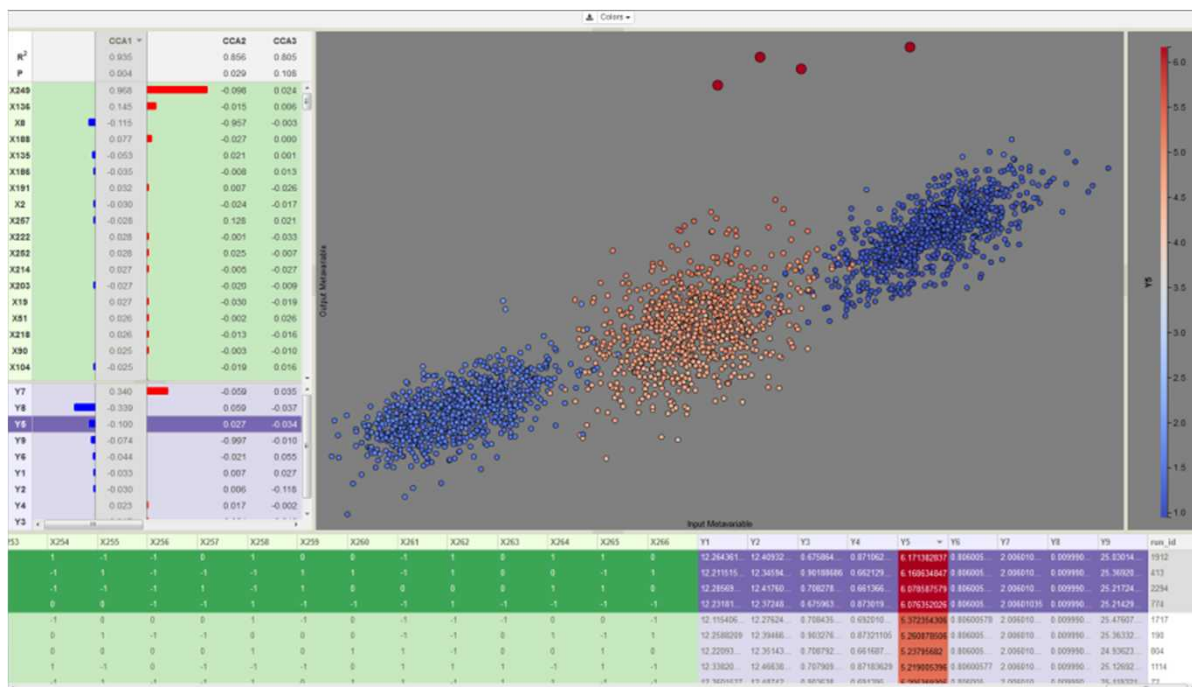
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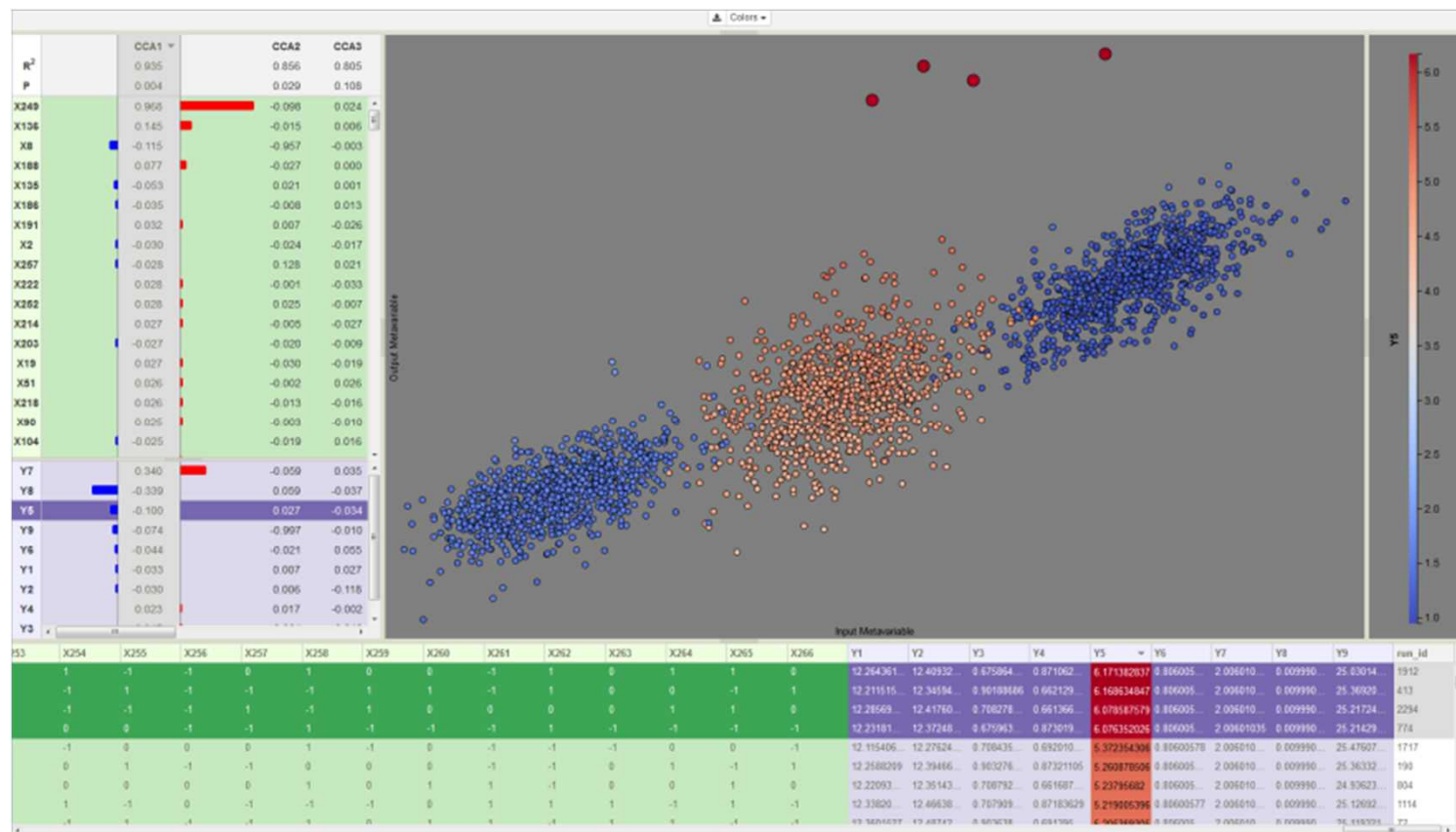
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X136	0.145
X8	-0.115
X188	0.077
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X186	-0.035
X191	0.032
X2	-0.030
X257	-0.028
X222	0.028
X252	0.028
X214	0.027
X203	-0.027
X19	0.027
X51	0.026
X218	0.026
X90	0.025
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X180	-0.021
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2641 runs each with 266 inputs, 9 outputs
Reduce input variables 266->21



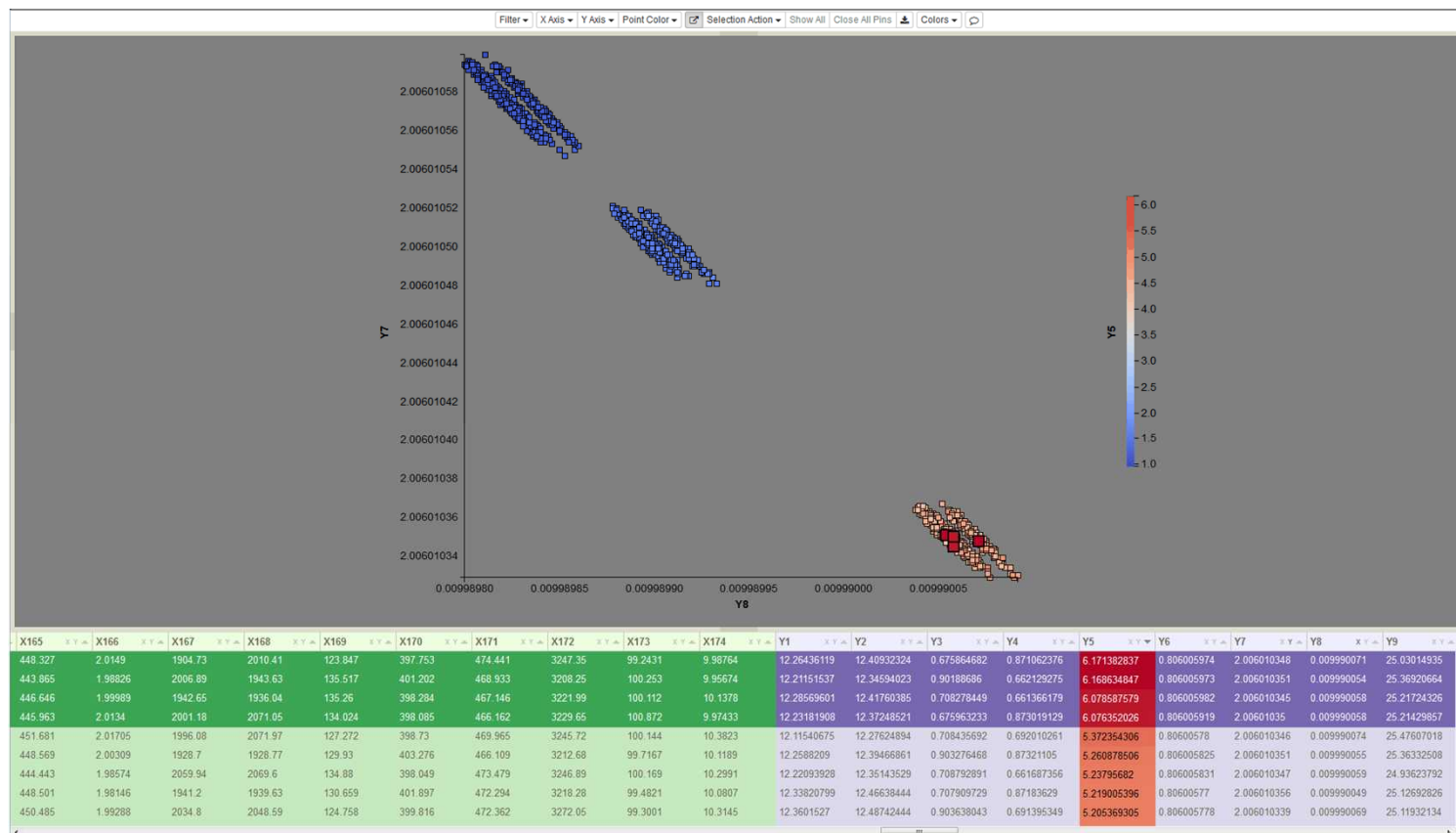
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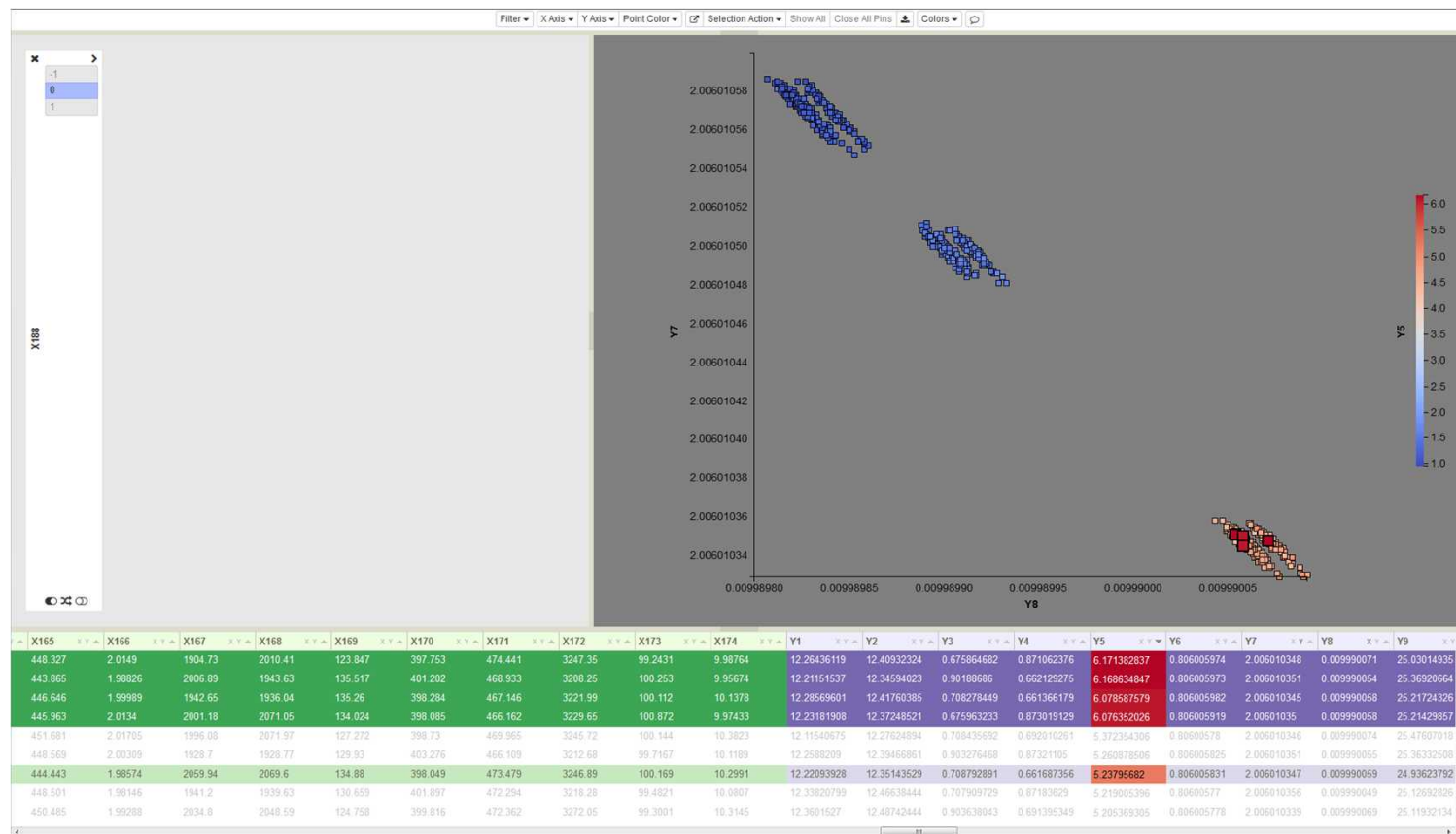
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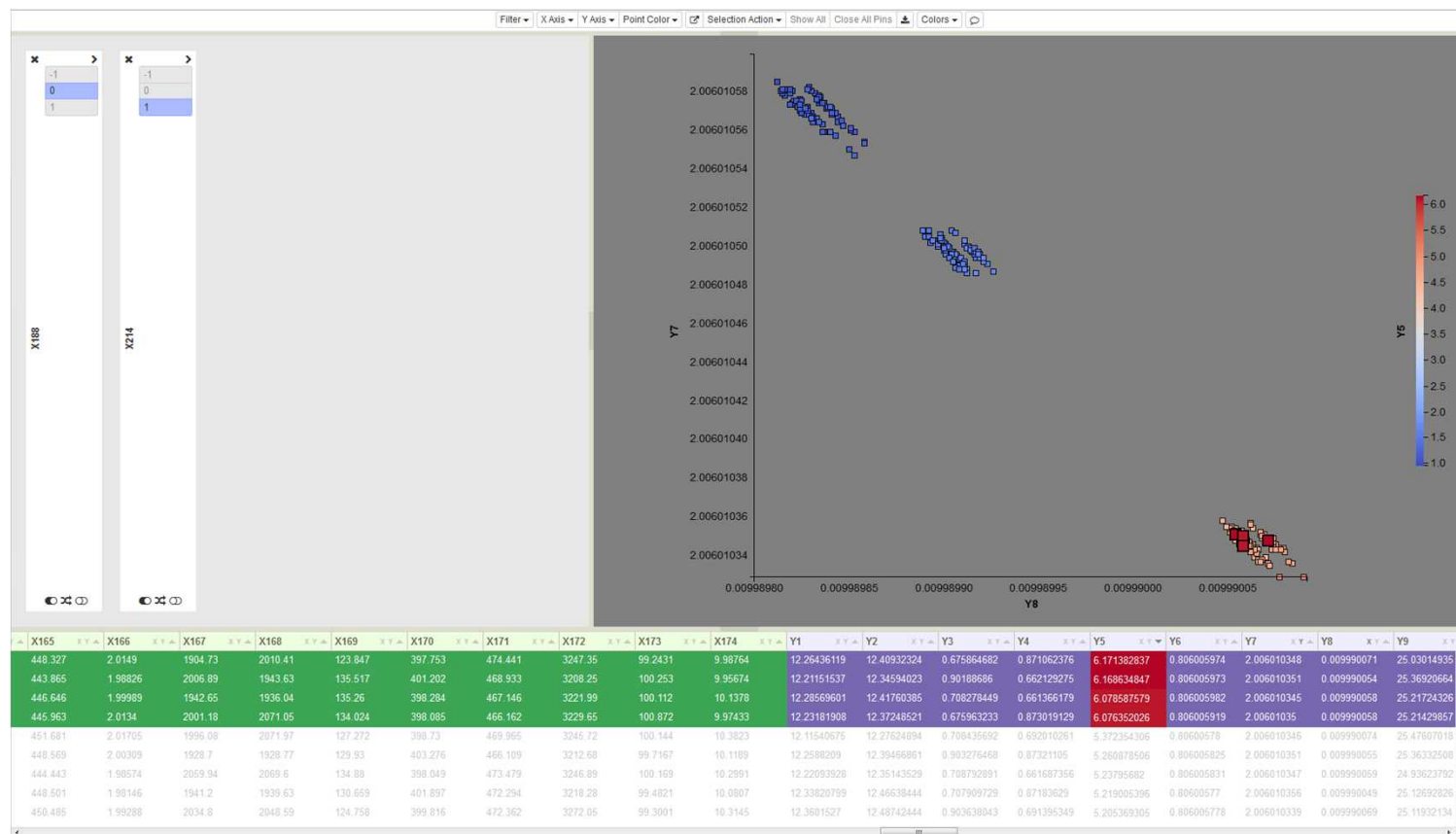
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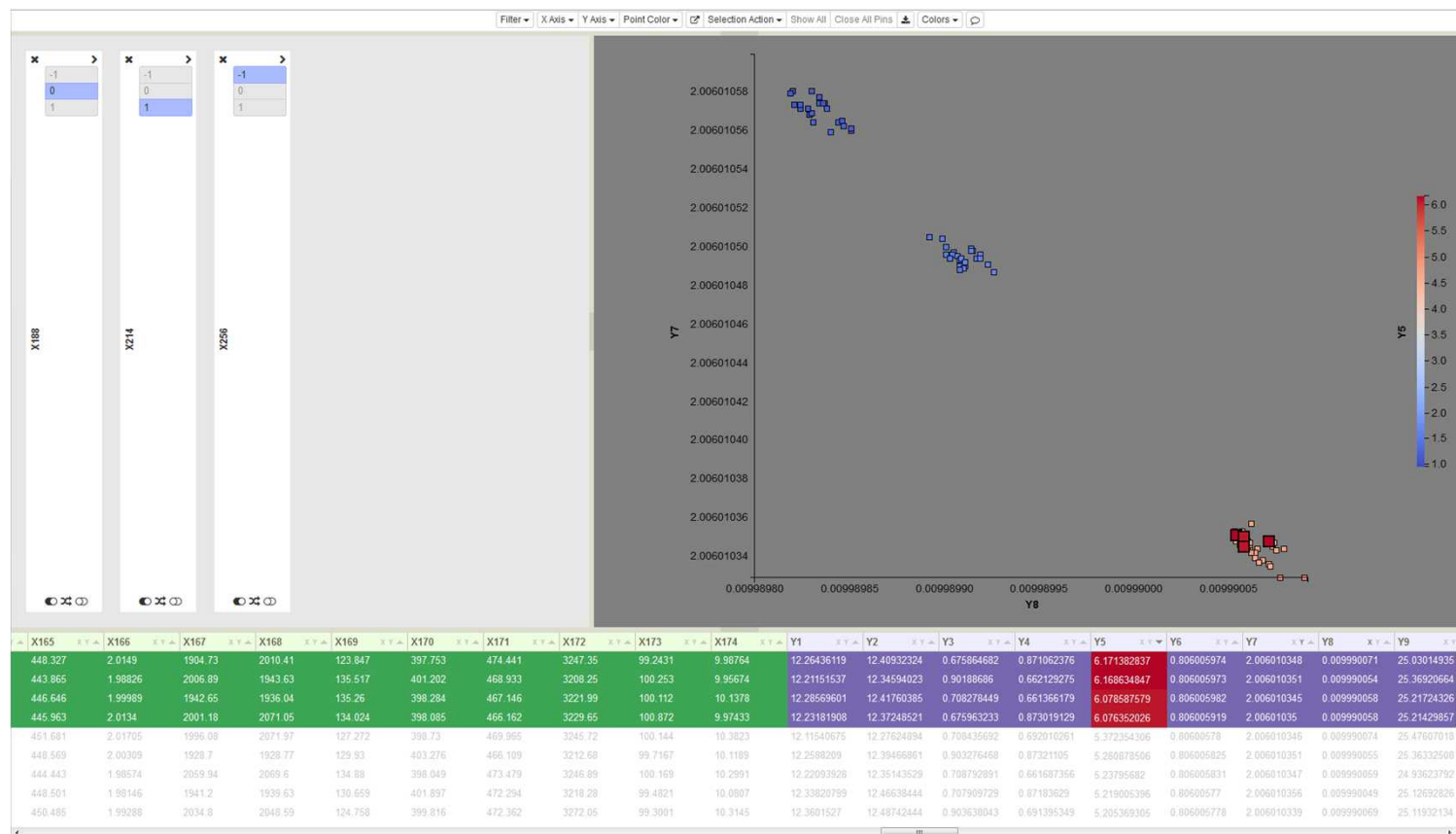
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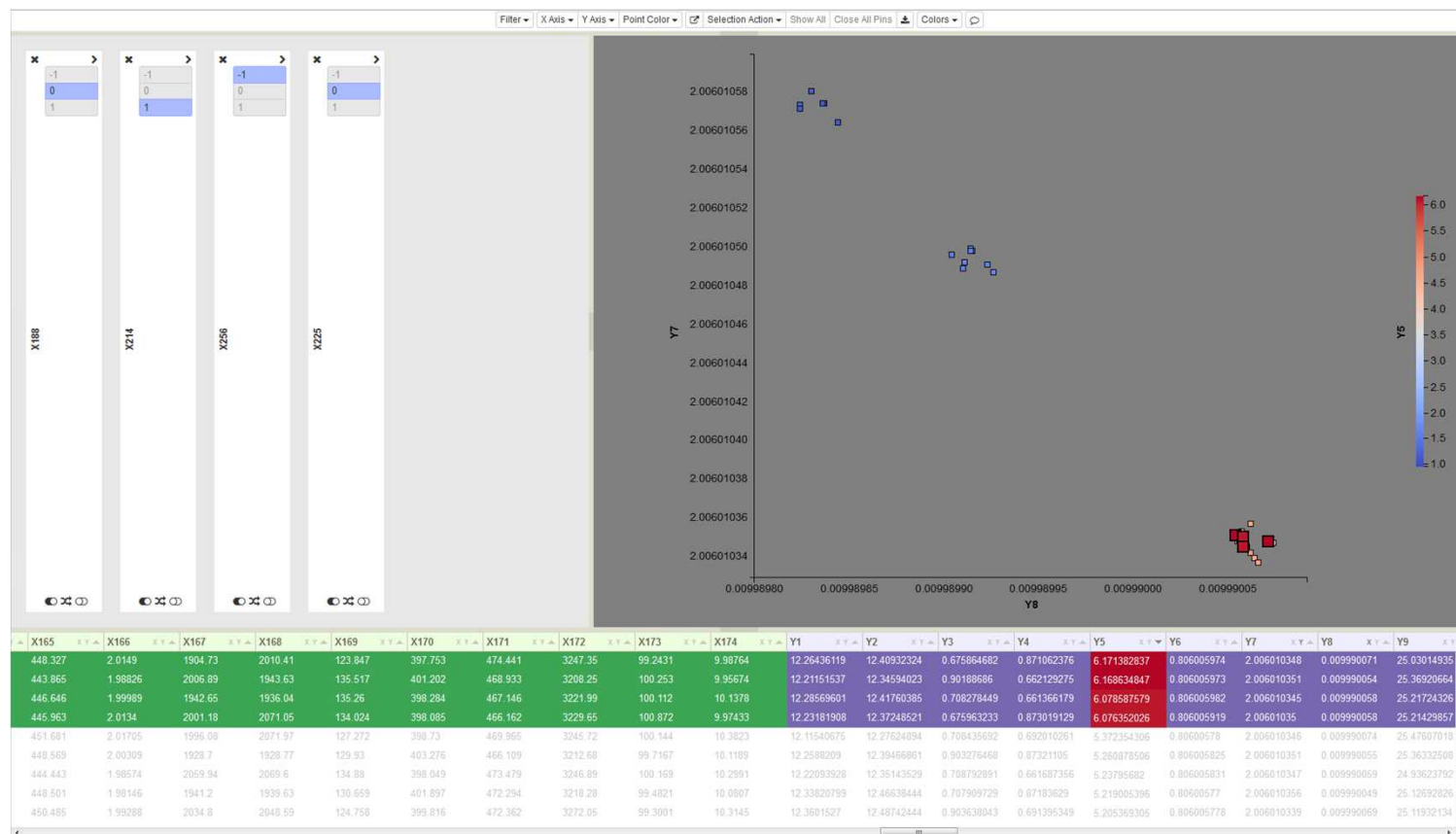
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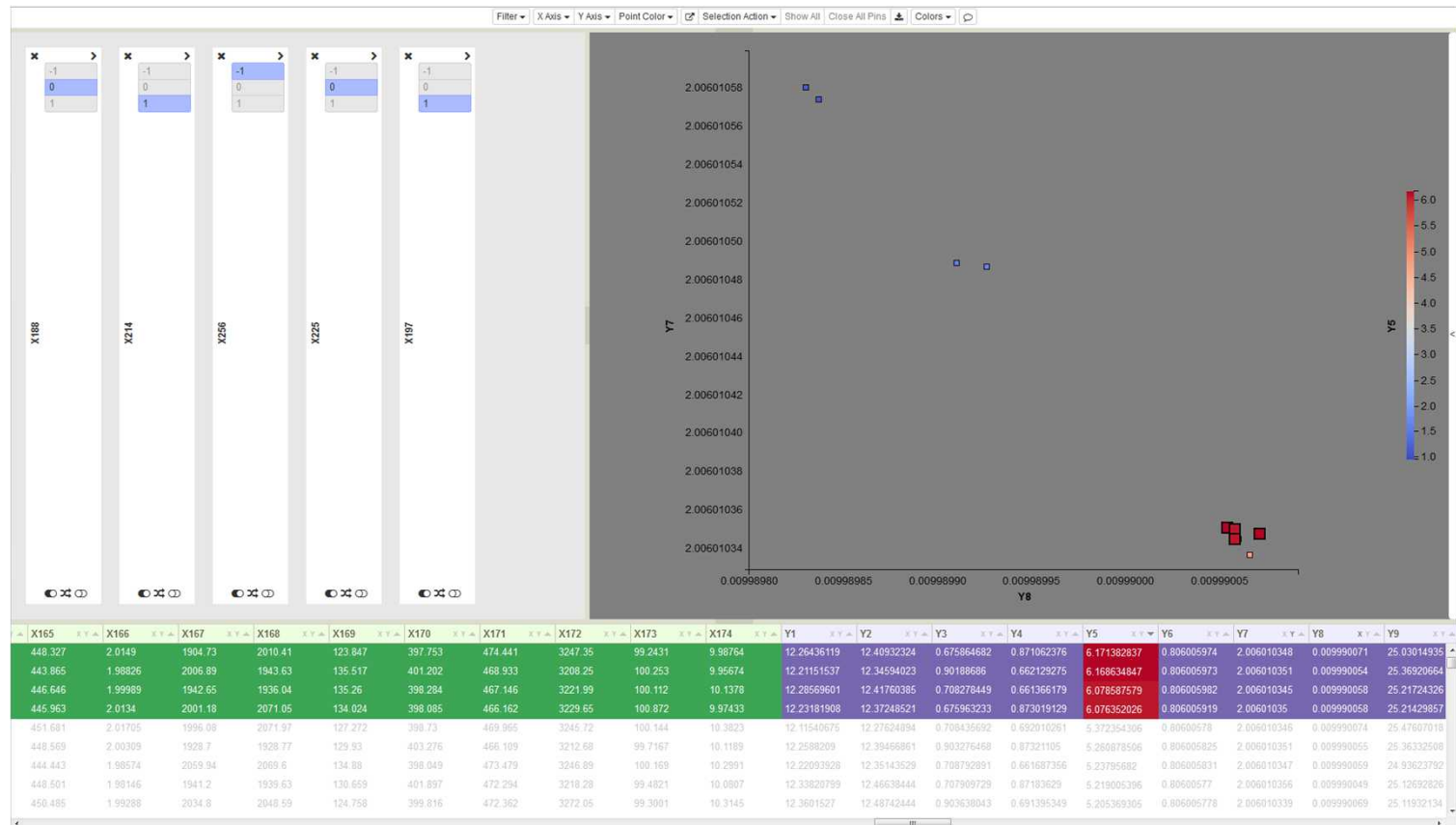
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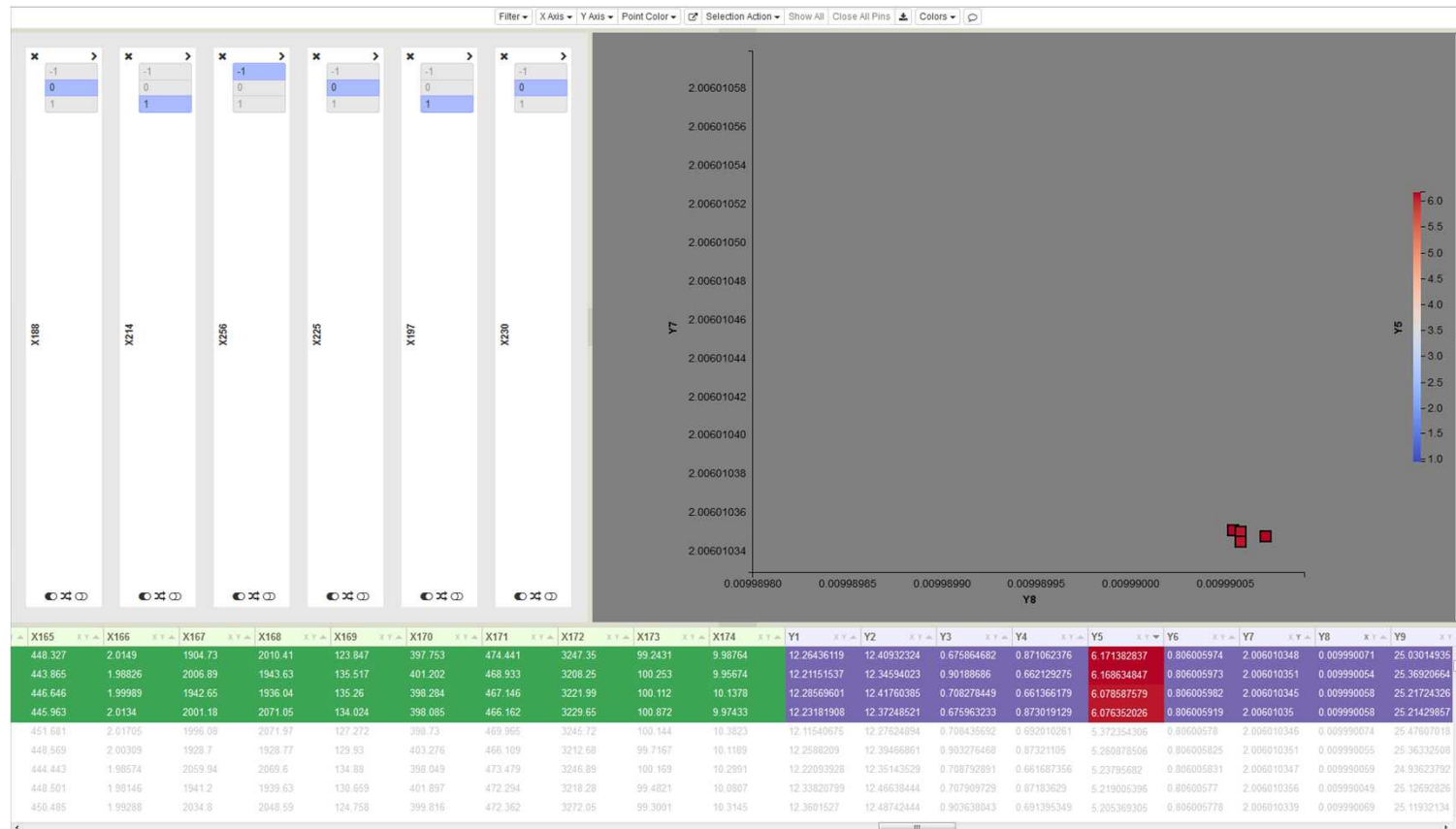
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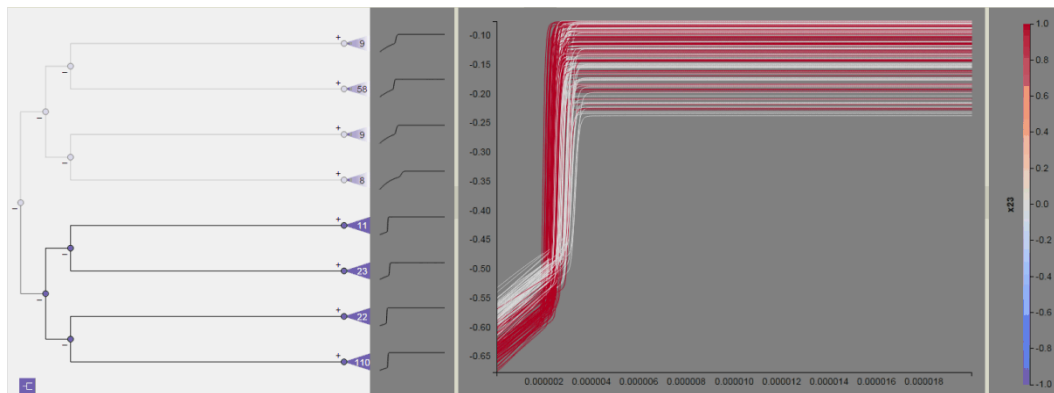
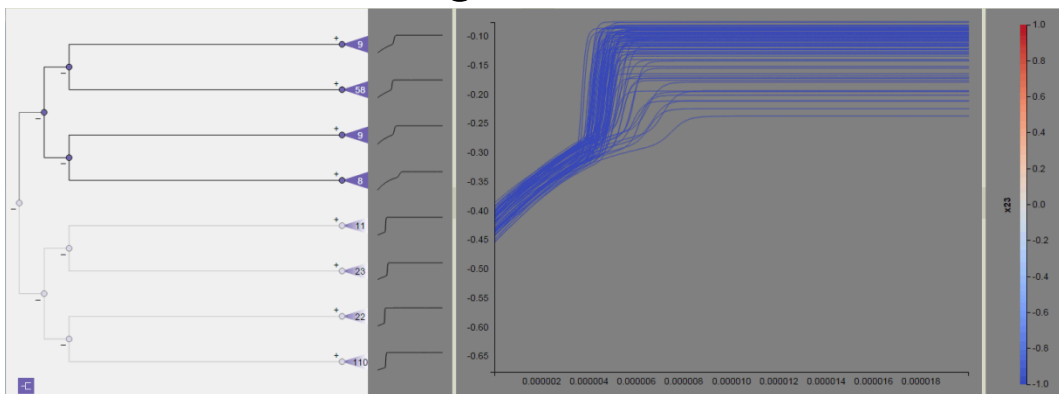
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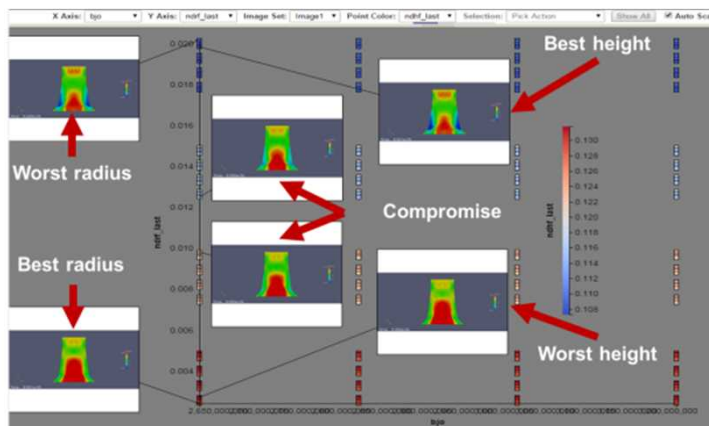
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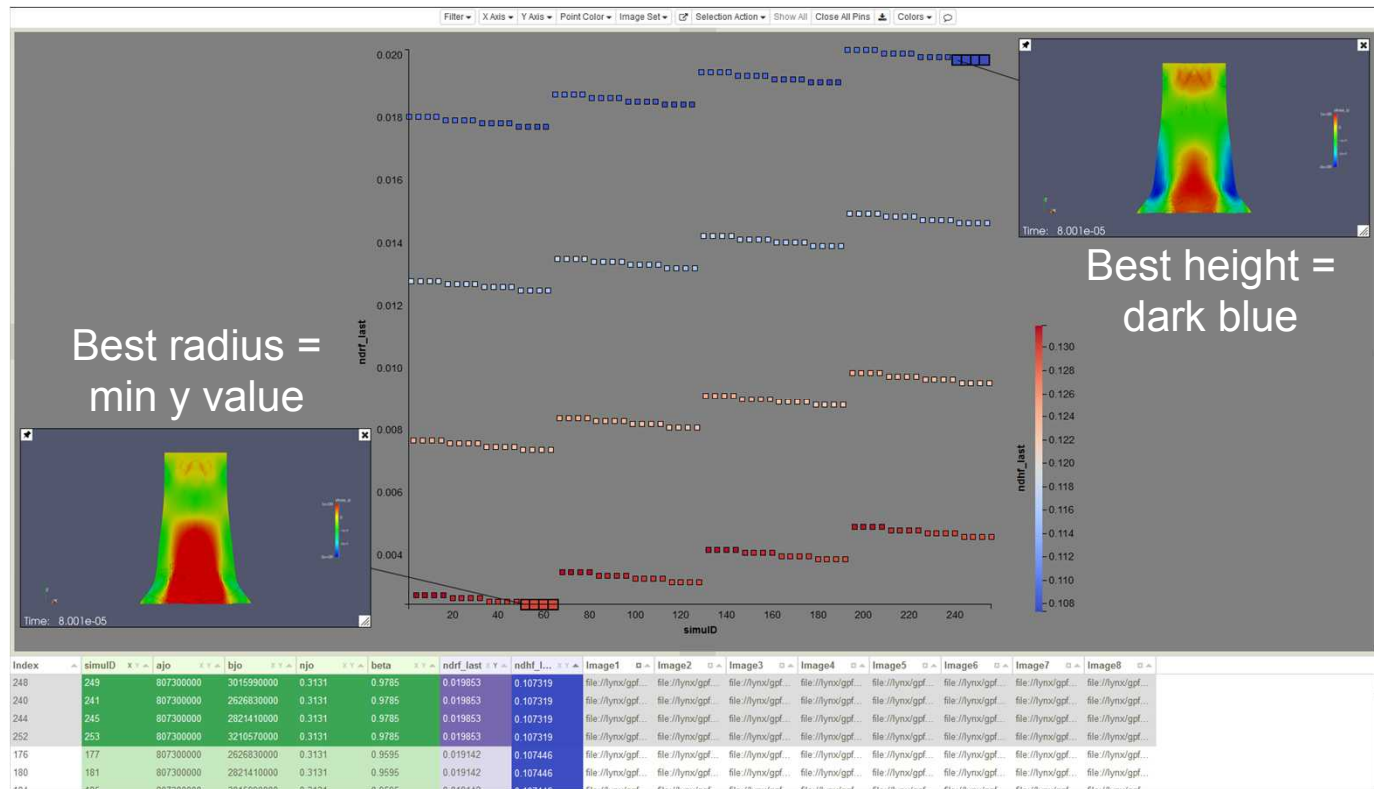


Taylor Anvil Demo



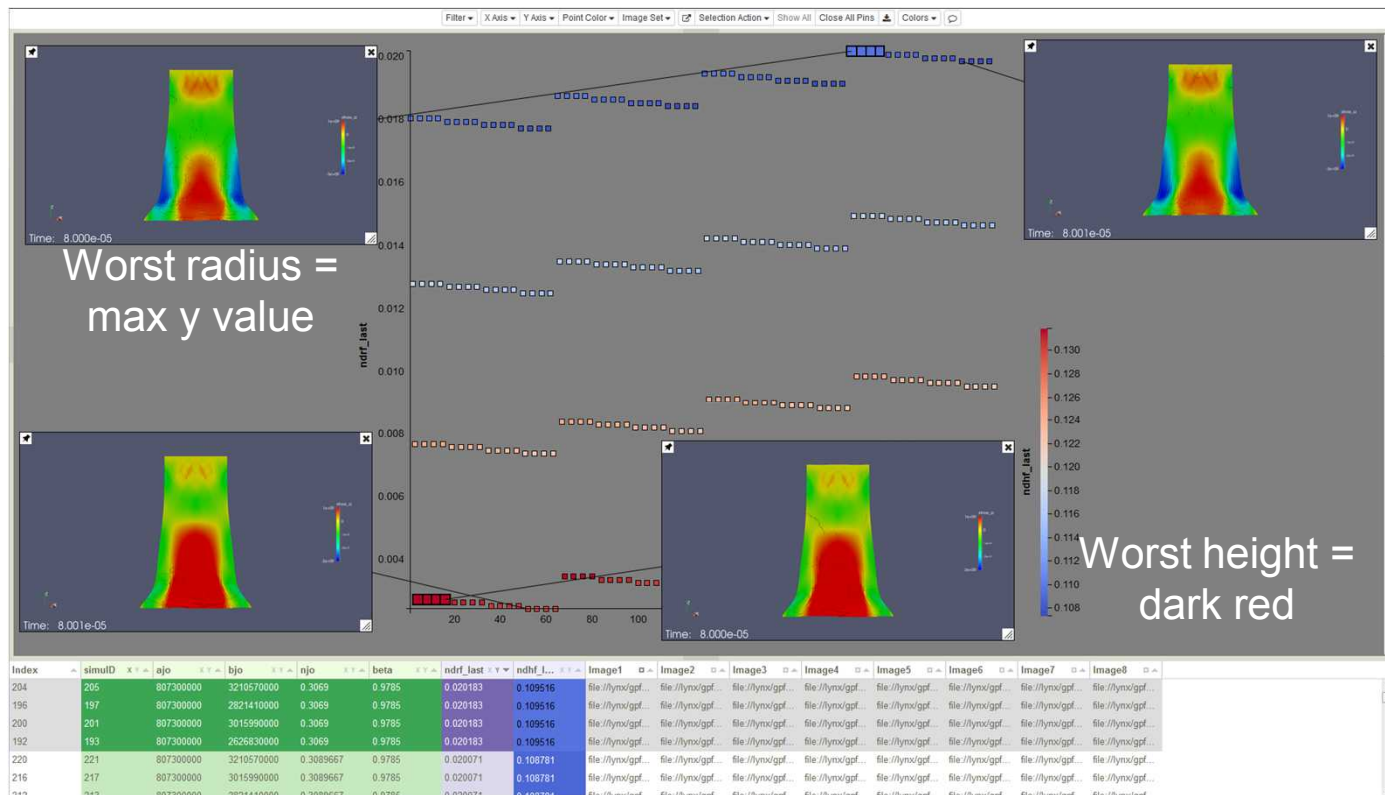
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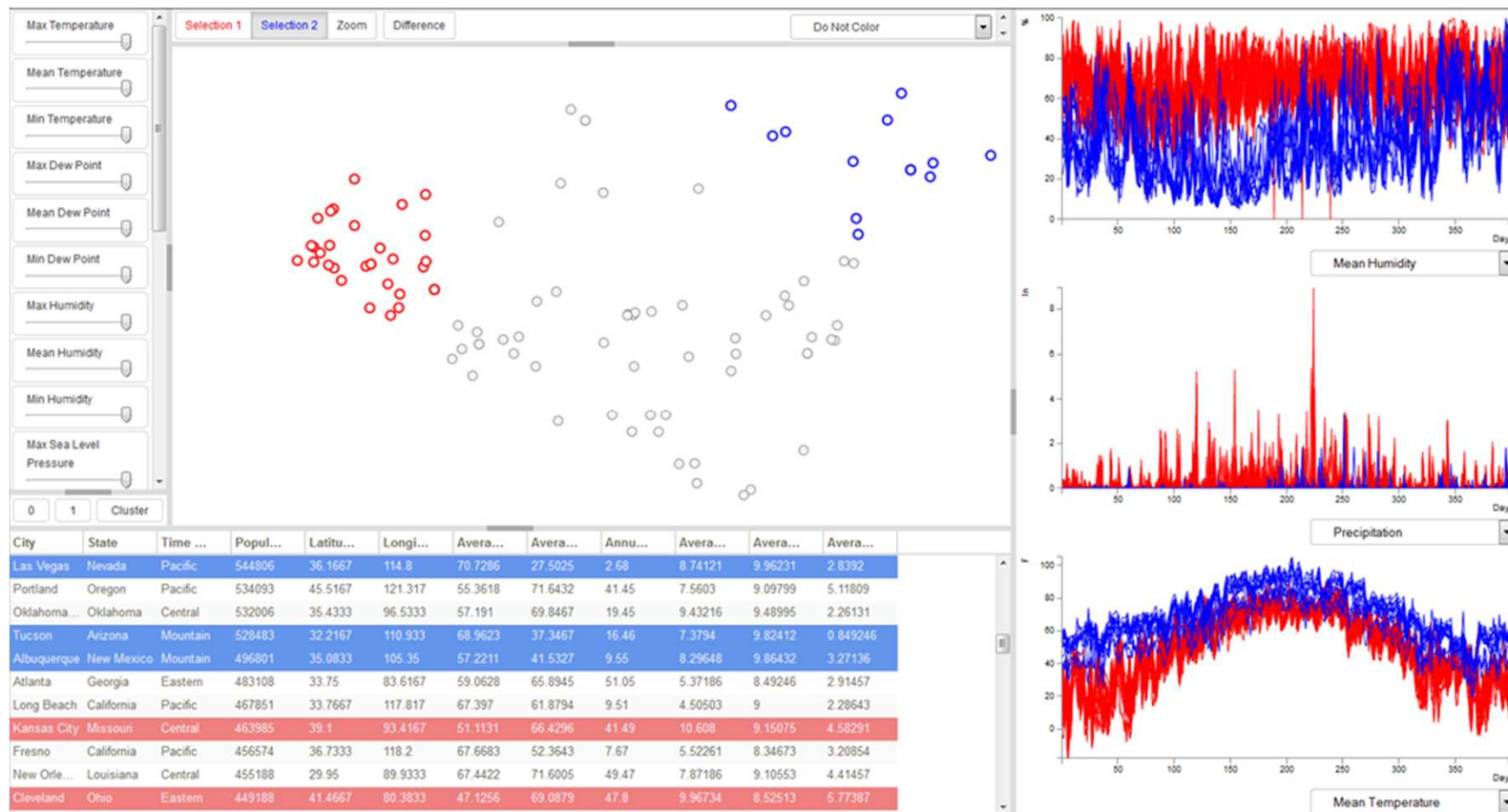
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Slycat Models

- Dial-A-Cluster Plugin



Slycat Provides

- Insights into previously unsuspected behaviors in simulation models (relationships, anomalies).
- On-demand remote exploration of terabytes of results without moving the data (reducing time/storage costs).
- Many-to-many correlations for sensitivity analysis.
- Ubiquitous web-based delivery for easy collaboration.
- Iterative Design Optimization: explore parameter space, rank & quantify result, export, resample refined space, generate refined ensemble

