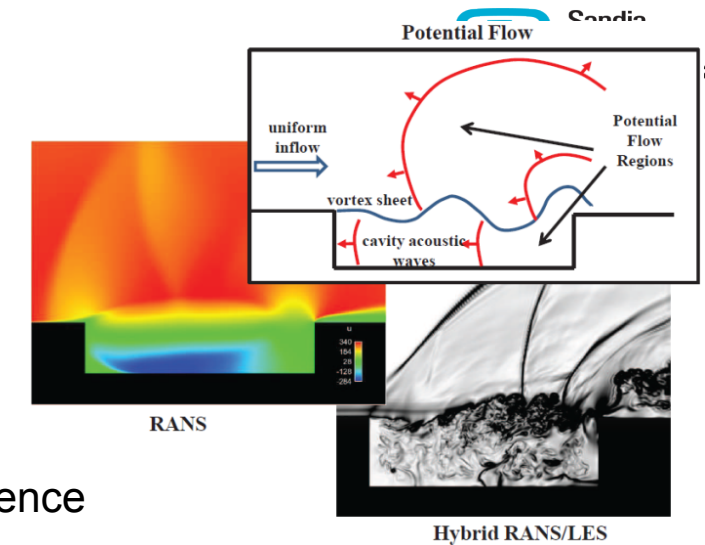
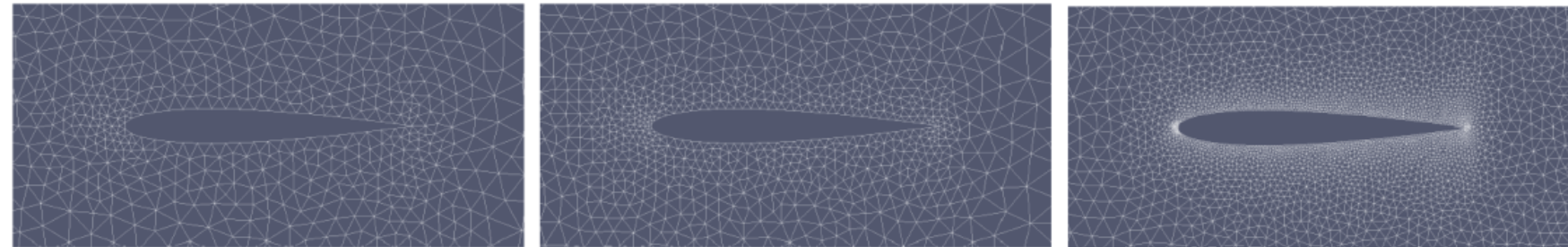


# What is Multifidelity UQ?

## Simulation alternatives

- **Distinct model forms** from solving different equation sets
  - Significant cost separation but discrepancy is more complex
- **Discretization levels / resolution controls**
  - Exploit special structure: discrepancy  $\rightarrow 0$  at order of spatial/temporal convergence
- Combinatorial ensemble for **multiphysics, multiscale**



## Single-fidelity approaches are widespread and typical model development practices lead to an error imbalance

- A single high-fidelity model, with spatial/temporal resolution appropriately addressed through solution verification
- Effective resolution of **deterministic bias**, but often leading to large **stochastic errors** (e.g. from restricted sampling)

$$\hat{Q}_{M,N}^{MC} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N Q_M^{(i)}$$



Mean Square Error:

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ (\hat{Q}_{M,N}^{MC} - \mathbb{E}[Q])^2 \right] = N^{-1} \text{Var}(Q_M) + (\mathbb{E}[Q_M - Q])^2$$

- Multifidelity UQ optimizes the allocation of simulation resources subject to achieving an error target...

# Multifidelity UQ Example: optimal resource allocation in Multilevel MC

Expectations are distributed across levels to decompose variance:

$$\mathbb{E}[Q_M] = \mathbb{E}[Q_{M_0}] + \sum_{\ell=1}^L \mathbb{E}[Q_{M_\ell} - Q_{M_{\ell-1}}] = \sum_{\ell=0}^L \mathbb{E}[Y_\ell]$$

$$\hat{Q}_M^{ML} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{\ell=0}^L \hat{Y}_{\ell, N_\ell}^{MC} = \sum_{\ell=0}^L \frac{1}{N_\ell} \sum_{i=1}^{N_\ell} (Q_{M_\ell}^{(i)} - Q_{M_{\ell-1}}^{(i)})$$

$$\mathbb{E}[(\hat{Q}_M^{ML} - \mathbb{E}[Q])^2] = \sum_{\ell=0}^L N_\ell^{-1} \text{Var}(Y_\ell) + (\mathbb{E}[Q_M - Q])^2$$

Design variable to optimize

$$\text{minimize } c(\hat{Q}_M^{ML}) = \sum_{\ell=0}^L N_\ell c_\ell$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_{\ell=0}^L N_\ell^{-1} \text{Var}(Y_\ell) = \varepsilon^2/2$$

KKT Optimality

$$N_\ell = \frac{2}{\varepsilon^2} \left[ \sum_{k=0}^L (\text{Var}(Y_k) c_k)^{1/2} \right] \sqrt{\frac{\text{Var}(Y_\ell)}{c_\ell}}$$

Level  
independent

Level  
dependent

Optimal sample profile

M. Giles, "Multilevel Monte Carlo path simulation," 2008.

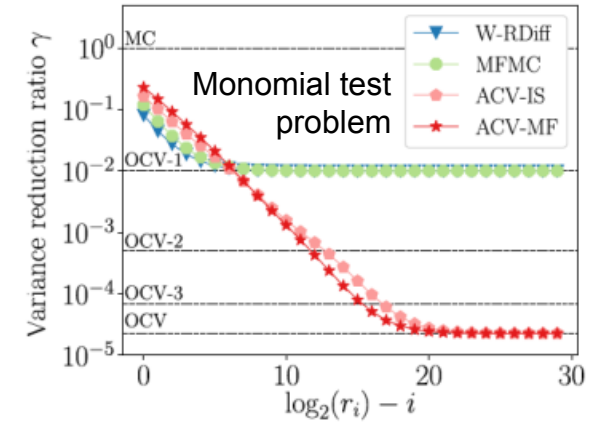
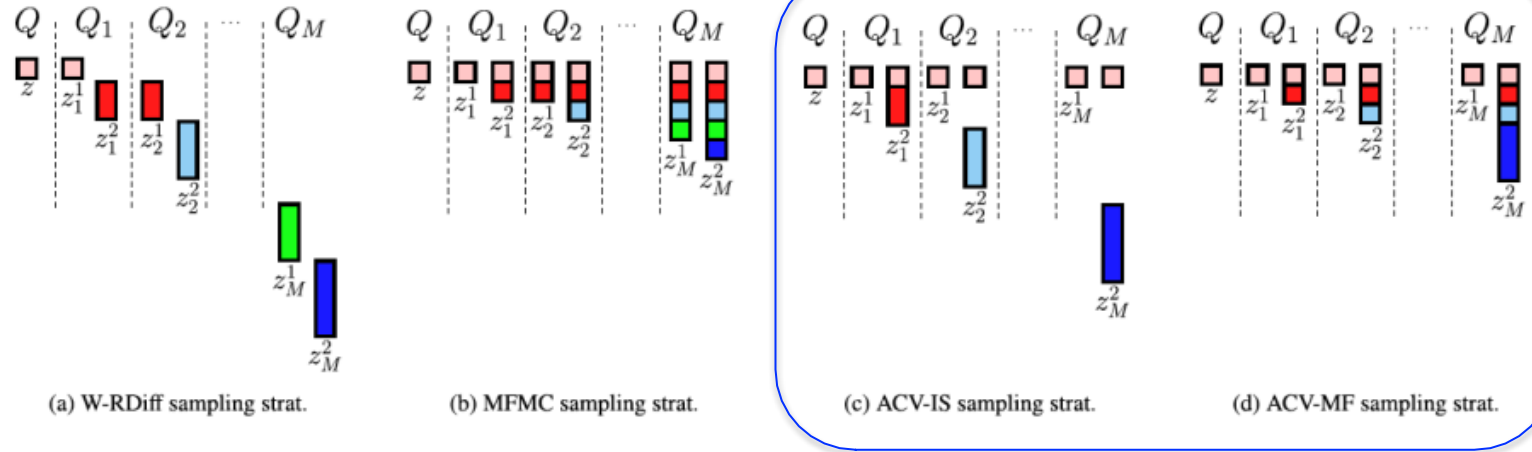
Key Ideas:

- Optimize the allocation of resources across multiple models
- Manage approximations in a principled manner: extract value without reliance
- "Fuse" data in order to obtain results that are consistent with HF but at reduced cost

# Generalized framework for multilevel / multifidelity estimators

$$\tilde{Q}(\underline{\alpha}, \underline{z}) = \hat{Q}(\underline{z}) + \sum_{i=1}^M \alpha_i \left( \hat{Q}_i(\underline{z}_i^1) - \hat{\mu}_i(\underline{z}_i^2) \right) = \hat{Q}(\underline{z}) + \sum_{i=1}^M \alpha_i \Delta_i(\underline{z}_i) = \hat{Q} + \underline{\alpha}^T \underline{\Delta}$$

Depiction of sample sets  $\{z^1, z^2\}$  for model  $i$



Performance bounds for recursive vs. non-recursive

- Recursive limited by variance reduction of perfect  $\mu_1$  (OCV-1)
- Non-recursive exploits gap between OCV-1 and OCV

Estimator	Type	Sample allocation
MLMC	1D: hierarchical, recursive	Analytic
CVMC	1D: HF,LF pair	Analytic
MLCV MC	2D: HF,LF pair + resolutions	Analytic
MFMC	1D: hierarchical, recursive	Analytic, Numerical
ACV	Unordered ensemble, non-recursive	Numerical

# Key mission feedbacks

Multilevel performance on elliptic model PDEs is compelling, but does not accurately represent Sandia mission areas

- Extensions for complex multidimensional hierarchies → *multi-index collocation, multiphysics / multiscale*
- Investments in non-hierarchical MF methods → *ACV and MFNets*

Popular MF approaches neglect important practicalities

- "Oracle" correlations assumed → *iterated versions of MFMC, ACV* to reduce cost from pilot over-estimation
- Imperfect data → *embedded cross validation* in regression-based surrogate MF
- Dissimilar parameterizations → *shared subspaces* to link and correlate diverse models
- Stochastic simulations, simulation/surrogate error estimation → *extended error management framework*
- Heterogeneous ensemble management → *integration with HPC workflow managers, R&D in ensemble AMT*
- Free hyper-parameters in LF approximations → *model tuning*

MF methods most often utilize a fixed model ensemble determined by expert judgment

- Experts are often inaccurate in this context (intuition is often wrong as trade-offs are not obvious)
  - Physics SMEs often have high predictivity standards and tend to over-estimate the LF accuracy required
  - Leads to non-optimal correlation / cost trade-off and sub-optimal MF UQ

→ *Exploration of hyper-parameter model tuning, within the context of particular estimators (ACV, MFMC, ...)*

# Model Tuning Approaches: All-At-Once and Bi-Level

Model tuning performed to maximize performance of a particular estimator over tunable hyper-parameters associated with one or more low-fidelity models (HF reference is immutable)

## AAO optimization (in Python):

$$\arg \min_{\theta, \mathbf{r}, N} \frac{\text{Var}[Q]}{N} (1 - R^2(\theta, \mathbf{r})) \quad s.t. \quad N \left( w + \sum_{i=1}^M w_i(\theta) r_i \right) \leq C$$

Hyper-parameters  $\theta$  integrate as additional decision vars  
Potential for greater efficiency: one integrated higher-D solve

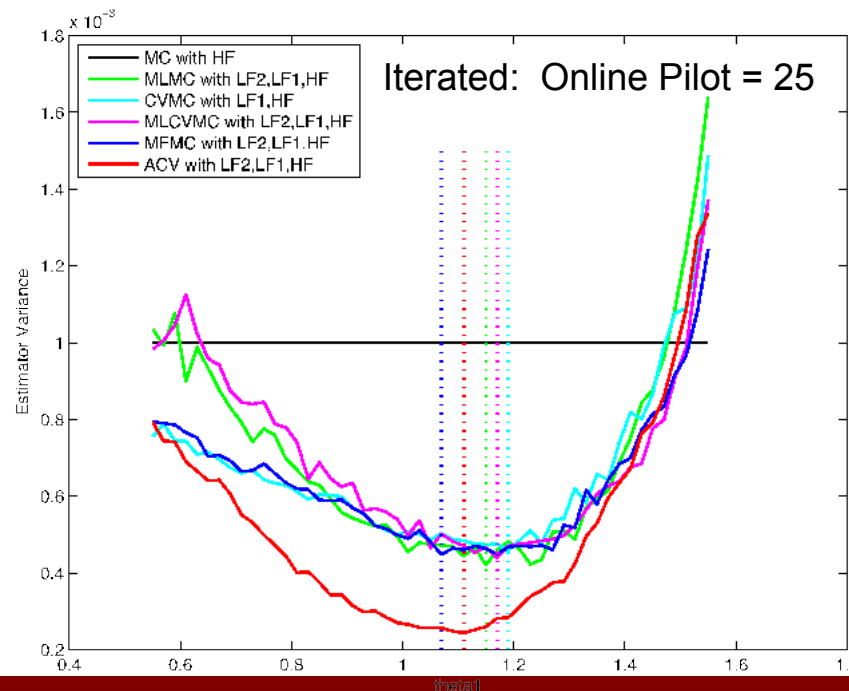
## Bi-level optimization (in Dakota):

$$\arg \min_{\theta} \left[ \arg \min_{\mathbf{r}, N} \frac{\text{Var}[Q]}{N} (1 - R^2(\theta, \mathbf{r})) \quad s.t. \quad N \left( w + \sum_{i=1}^M w_i(\theta) r_i \right) \leq C \right]$$

Inner loop solve for each outer loop  $\theta$  iterate  
Plug & play outer loop with global, surrogate-based, MINLP

1D/2D verifications with tunable model problem:

- 5 estimators x 3 solution modes
- Optimal  $\theta$  depends on estimator
- Iterated approach achieves oracle accuracy at lower cost



- Efficient global optimization (EGO) navigates noisy space and locates multiple minima
- ACV flexibly adapts to model reconfiguration

