

# Entropy-based adaptive design for contour finding and estimating reliability

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# Estimating reliability of a next-generation spacesuit

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- NASA needs to assess the probability of impact failure for a new spacesuit design
- There is uncertainty in the material and projectile inputs ( $X$ ) of the damage simulator
- **Objective:** calculate an unbiased estimate of the probability the response is above a threshold  $T$

$$\alpha = P(Y(x) \geq T)$$



# Existing methods to assess reliability

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- **Monte Carlo sampling:** draws inputs from uncertainty ( $X \sim \mathbb{F}$ ) distribution and evaluate simulation model
- **Importance sampling (IS):** constructs a distribution  $\mathbb{F}^*$  biased toward the failure region(s) to draw inputs

$$\hat{\alpha}_{\text{IS}} = \frac{1}{M^*} \sum_{i=1}^{M^*} \mathbb{1}_{\{Y(x_i^*) > T\}} w(x_i^*) \quad \text{via weights} \quad w(x^*) = \frac{f(x^*)}{f_*(x^*)}$$

- **Multifidelity importance sampling (MFIS):** uses a surrogate model  $\mathcal{S}_N$ , like a Gaussian process (GP), to construct the bias distribution  $\mathbb{F}^*$
- **Adaptive designs** for contour finding: sequentially select design points to estimate failure boundary  $\{x : Y(x) = T\}$

# Gaussian process surrogate

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- Assume the response  $Y_N$  follows a multivariate normal distribution,  $Y_N \sim \mathcal{N}_N(0, \Sigma_N)$ , where  $\Sigma_N = \nu K_N$
- Includes hyperparameters:  $\psi = \{\nu(\text{scale}), \theta(\text{lengthscale})\}$
- The correlation matrix  $K_N$  is defined as a function  $k_\theta(x_i, x_j)$  of the squared Euclidean distance between inputs  $x_i, x_j$
- Conditional predictive equations:

$$\mu_N(x|X_N, Y_N, \psi) = \Sigma(x, X_N)\Sigma_N^{-1}Y_N$$

$$\sigma_N^2(x|X_N, \psi) = \Sigma(x, x) - \Sigma(x, X_N)\Sigma_N^{-1}\Sigma(x, X_N)^\top$$

# Adaptive Design for Contour Location

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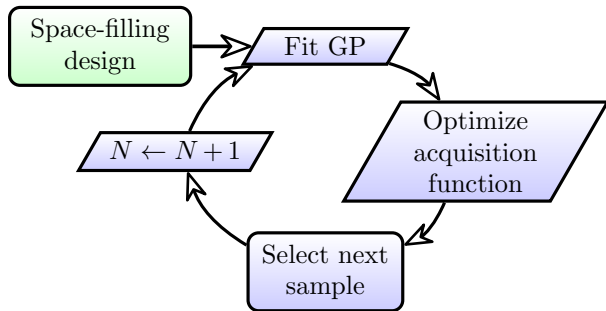
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Existing acquisition functions based upon:

- Predictive variance (Picheny et al., 2010)
- Expected Improvement (Ranjan et al., 2008)
- Entropy (Marques et al., 2018):  

$$-\sum_{i=1}^k \mathbb{P}(w_i) \log \mathbb{P}(w_i),$$
 with events  $w_i$  and probability mass  $\mathbb{P}(w_i)$ .

# Adaptive Design + MFIS

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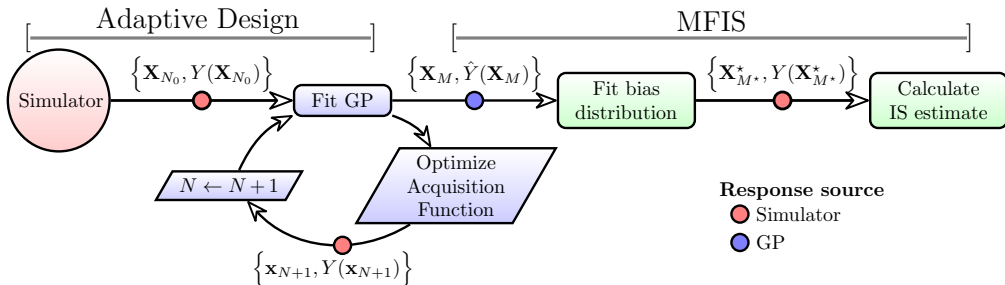
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# Entropy-based Contour Location

- We define the **Entropy-based Contour Locator (ECL)** using the entropy equation with
  - $w_1$  representing a failure (i.e.  $y > T$ )
  - $w_2$  representing a lack of failure (i.e.  $y \leq T$ )
- Using a GP  $\mathcal{S}_N$ 's predictive equations to calculate  $\mathbb{P}(w_i)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ECL}(\mathbf{x} \mid \mathcal{S}_N, T) = & - \left( 1 - \Phi \left( \frac{\mu_N(\mathbf{x}) - T}{\sigma_N(\mathbf{x})} \right) \right) \log \left( 1 - \Phi \left( \frac{\mu_N(\mathbf{x}) - T}{\sigma_N(\mathbf{x})} \right) \right) \\ & - \Phi \left( \frac{\mu_N(\mathbf{x}) - T}{\sigma_N(\mathbf{x})} \right) \log \left( \Phi \left( \frac{\mu_N(\mathbf{x}) - T}{\sigma_N(\mathbf{x})} \right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

- Design can be done in batches (ECL.b) by updating  $\sigma_N(\mathbf{x})$  with other batch design locations

# GP and ECL surfaces

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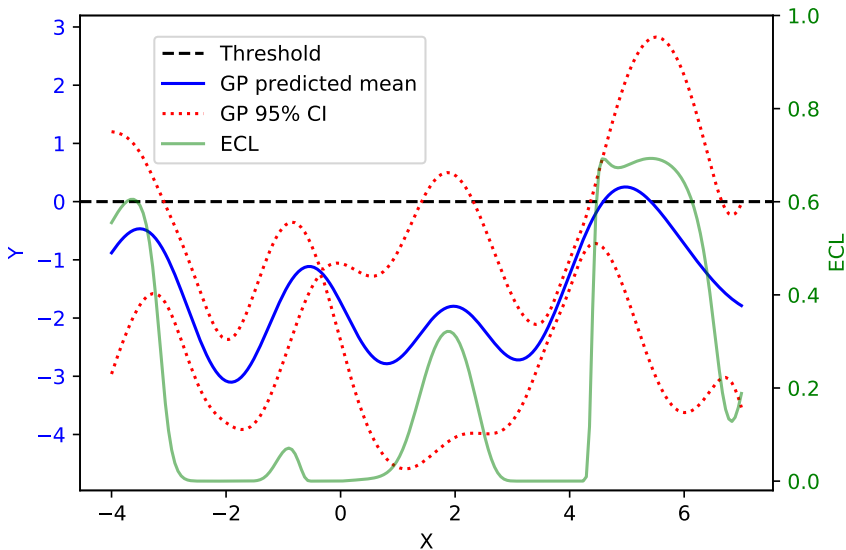
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- ECL surface contains a ridge of global maxima on the GP's predicted contour
- Other local maxima exist that are worth exploring through sample points
- **Goal:** promote exploration of global and local maxima through a small, variable set of candidate points
- **Steps:**
  - 1 Evaluate ECL for a candidate set of a  $10^*(\# \text{ of dimensions})$  Latin hypercube sample
  - 2 Select the candidate point with the largest ECL
  - 3 Use gradient-based optimization (L-BFGS-B) to maximize ECL, with starting location from step 2

# ECL 2D surface

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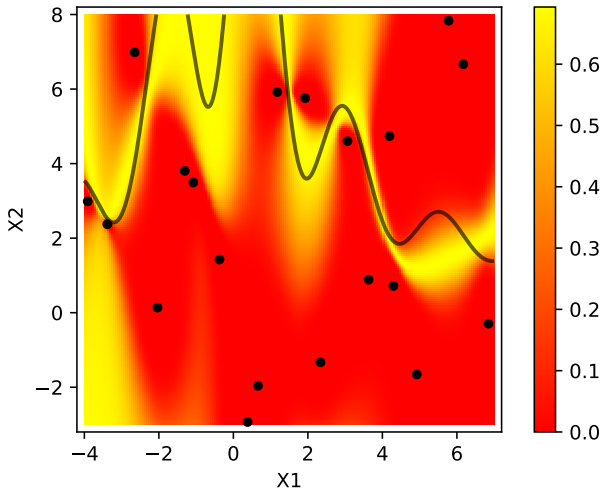
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# ECL 2D surface: selecting the 1st point

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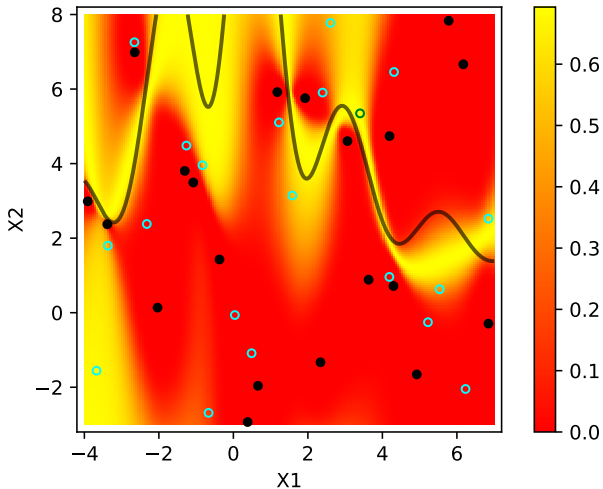
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- Initial design
- Candidate point
- Max entropy candidate point
- ★ Entropy global optimum
- × New selected point
- True contour

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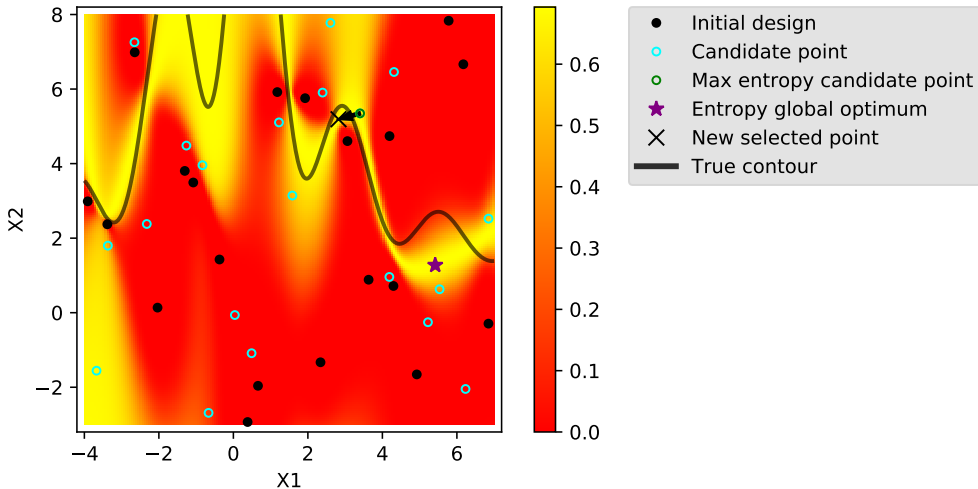
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# ECL 2D surface: selecting the 2nd point

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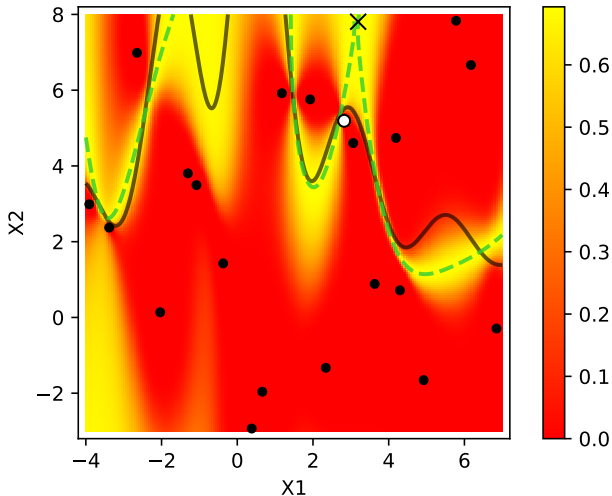
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- Initial design
- Sequentially selected point
- × New selected point
- True contour
- - GP predicted contour

# ECL 2D surface: selecting the 3rd point

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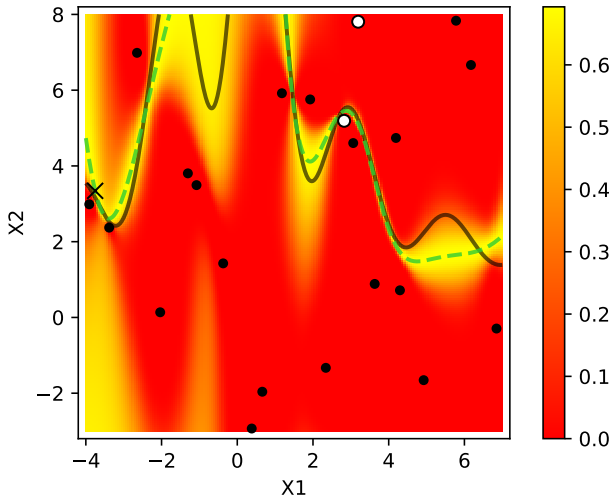
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- × New selected point
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- - GP predicted contour

# ECL 2D surface: selecting the 7th point

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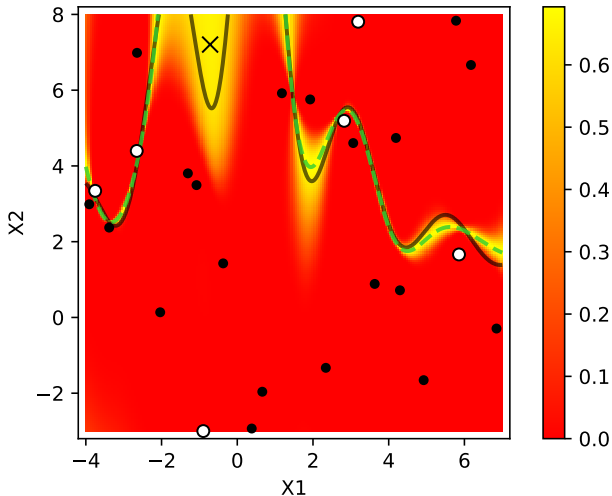
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# ECL 2D surface: selecting the 10th point

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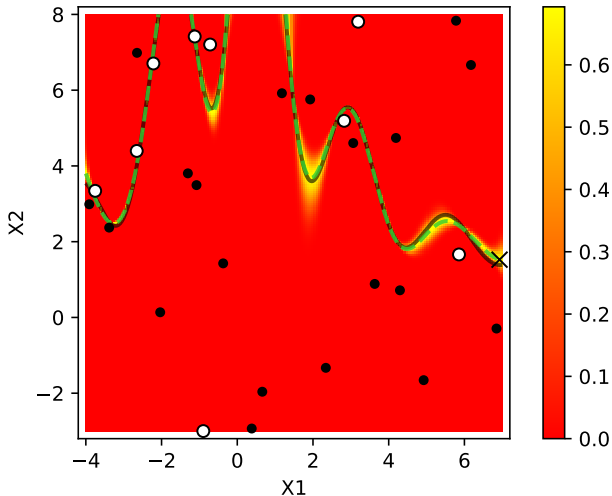
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- Initial design
- Sequentially selected point
- × New selected point
- True contour
- - GP predicted contour

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# Synthetic Function Experiments

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|                                  | <b>Ishigami</b>      | <b>Hartmann-6</b>  |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Number of dimensions             | 3                    | 6                  |
| Failure threshold ( $T$ )        | 10.244               | 2.63               |
| Number of failure regions        | 6                    | 2                  |
| Quantile                         | 0.9999               | 0.9989             |
| Initial design size              | 30                   | 60                 |
| Number of sequential points      | 170                  | 440                |
| Failure probability ( $\alpha$ ) | $1.9 \times 10^{-4}$ | $1 \times 10^{-5}$ |
| Number of MFIS samples           | 800                  | 500                |

# Ishigami sensitivity

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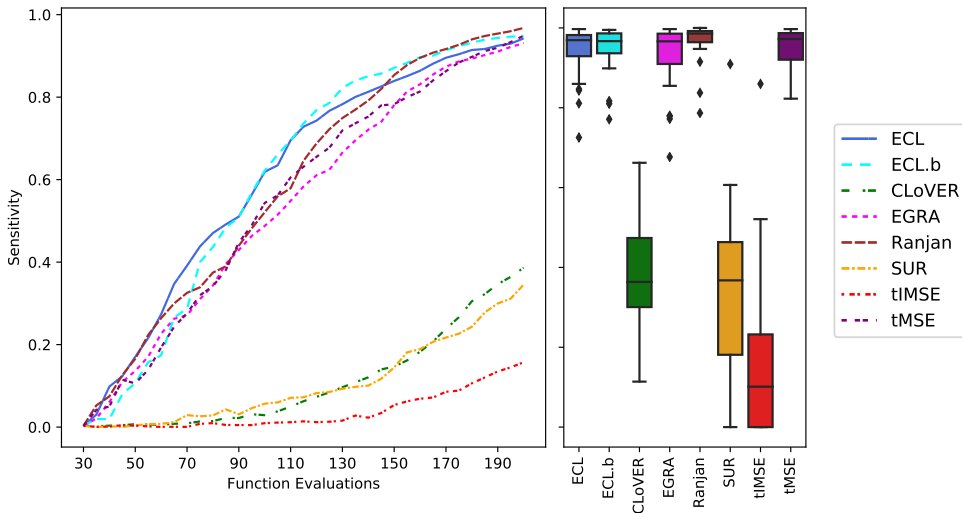
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# Ishigami volume estimate error

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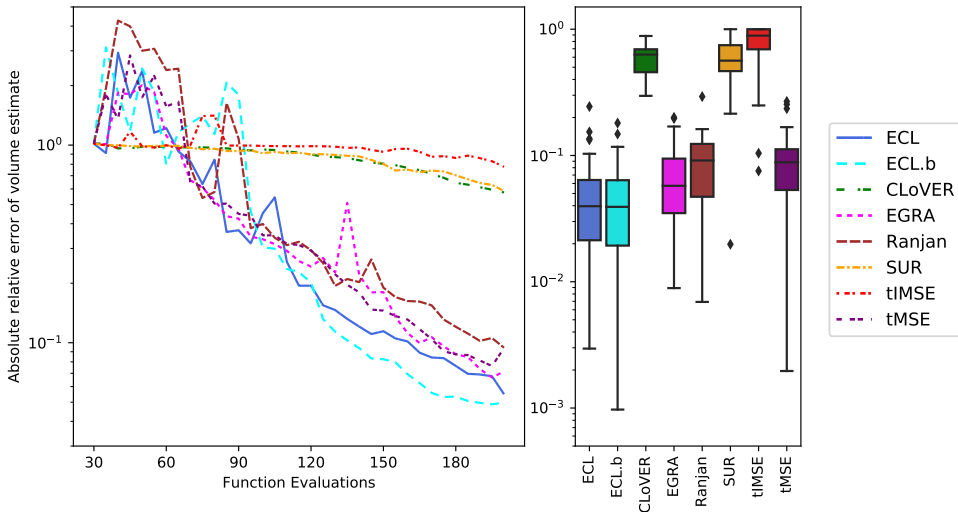
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# Hartmann-6 sensitivity

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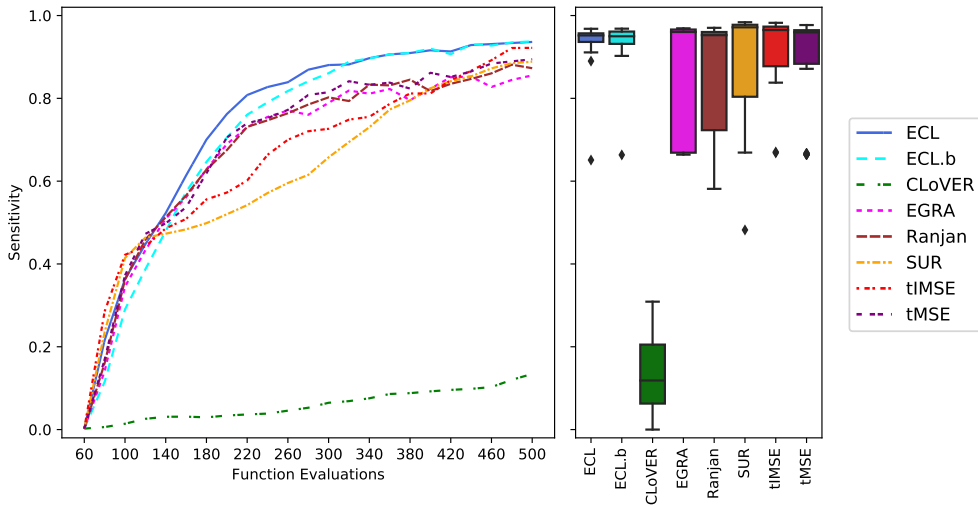
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# Hartmann-6 volume estimate error

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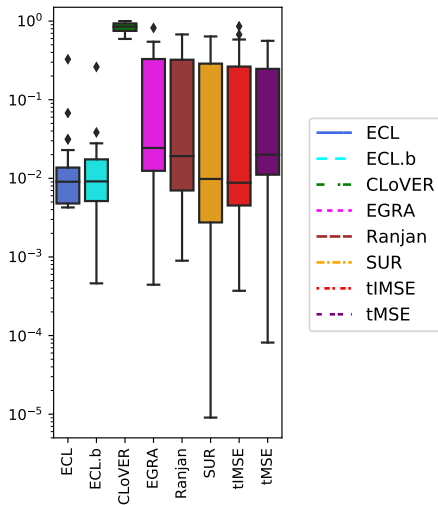
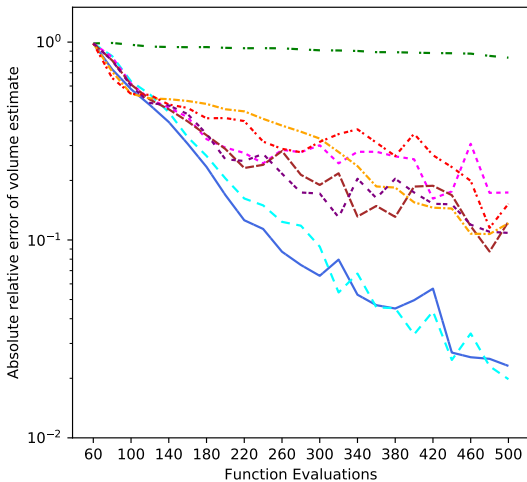
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| Method       | Ishigami    | Hartmann-6  |
|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>ECL</b>   | <b>0.10</b> | <b>4.40</b> |
| <b>ECL.b</b> | <b>0.08</b> | <b>0.78</b> |
| CLoVER       | 17.8        | 428.4       |
| EGRA         | 3.9         | 66.0        |
| Ranjan       | 4.5         | 59.2        |
| SUR          | 3.5         | 109.1       |
| tIMSE        | 3.4         | 11.7        |
| tMSE         | 3.9         | 59.5        |

**Table 1:** Average computation times (minutes) to select points across 30 Monte Carlo repetitions.

# MFIS estimates for Ishigami and Hartmann-6

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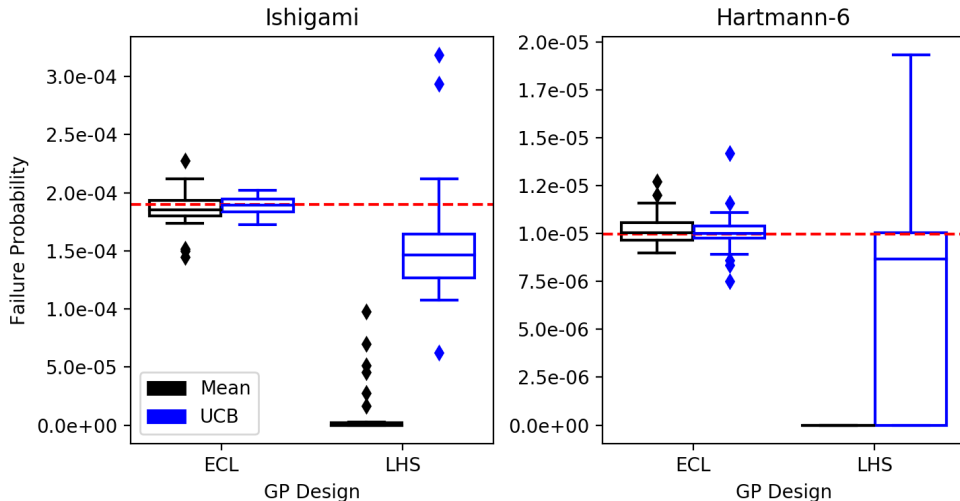
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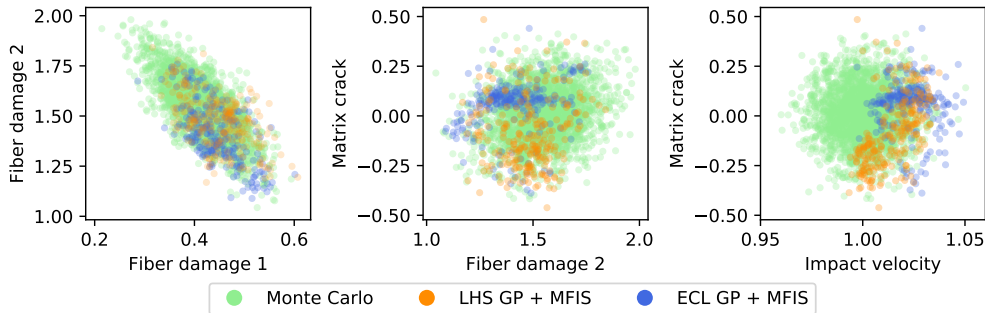
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- MFIS estimates: 200 sample design used to train GP + 250 samples from bias distribution
- Monte Carlo: 2500 samples from input distribution

## Samples used to estimate failure probability:



# Spacesuit Simulator: failure probability estimates

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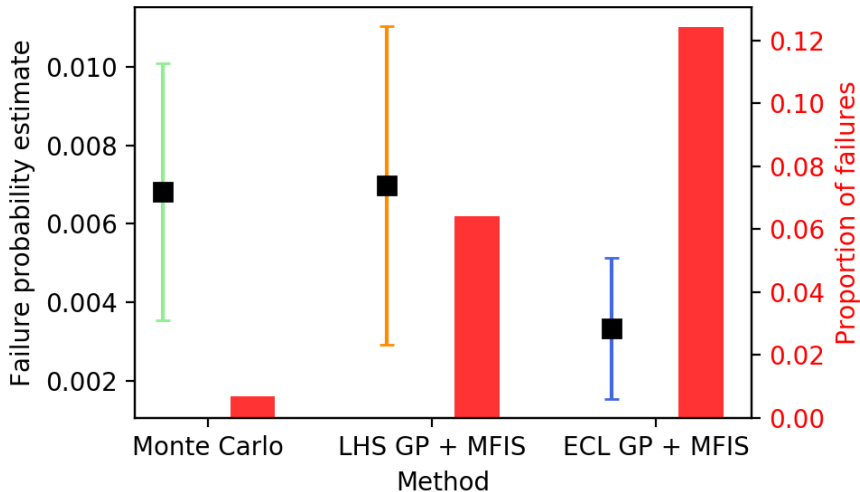
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- Using a GP surrogate with MFIS provides a cheaper approach to failure probability estimation for expensive simulators
- Pairing an adaptively designed GP improves MFIS estimation by producing a more accurate bias distribution
- Using ECL with a simple optimization strategy balances exploration (somewhat randomly) with exploitation to drive down contour uncertainty
- ECL adaptive design can be 20-100 times faster than existing adaptive designs
- ECL with batch selection is faster than ECL, without sacrificing accuracy

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