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Carbon Capture Simulation for Industry Impact

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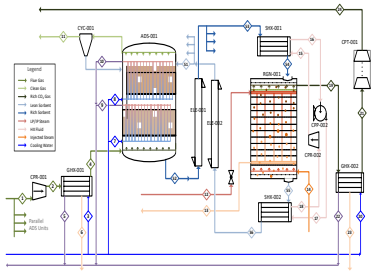
CCSI² – Modeling, Optimization, and Technical Risk Reduction

Multi-lab modeling initiative to support carbon capture technology development

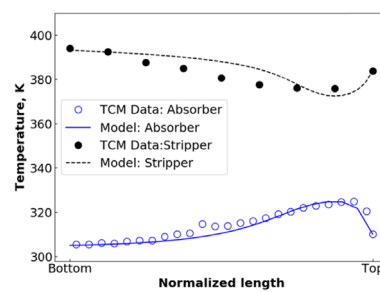


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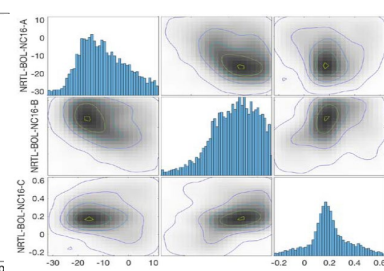
High Fidelity Process Modeling



Model Validation

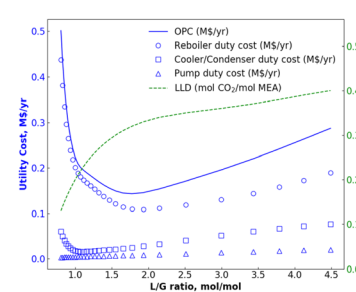


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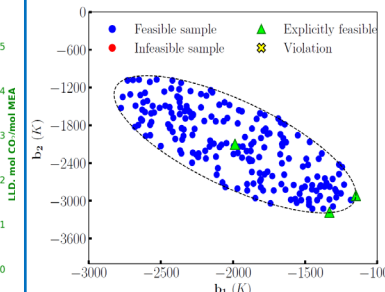
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Process Optimization

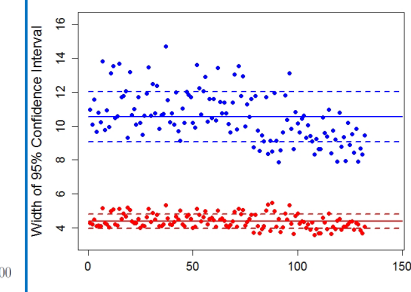


Risk Reduction

Robust Design



Maximizing Learning



Open Source: github.com/CCSI-Toolset



Past and Present CCSI/CCSI² Industrial Collaborations



Solids heat exchanger modeling and bottlenecks



Key characterizers of amino-silicone solvent performance



Dynamic CCS modeling and advanced process control (power/steel)



Sorbent pilot test support via DoE



NAS solvent process modeling and pilot support via SDoE

*Highlighted by Marty Lail at 1:30 on Oct 11th

*Poster by Josh Morgan



Solvent VLE and emissions modeling



EEMPA solvent and process modeling and optimization



Membrane module and process modeling for pilot support



Cryogenic capture process modeling



Membrane module and process modeling (steel)



Piperazine process modeling



Requested to support mixed salt solvent pilot via SDoE



Requested to support sorbent pilot via SDoE



MEA Baseline Campaign process modeling and SDoE



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Since 2010 CCSI/CCSI² Supported 16 Carbon Capture projects \$100MM+ in total project value (TRL 3-7)

CCSI² Summary, Capabilities, Highlights

- **Sequential Design of Experiments for lab-, bench-, or pilot-testing**
 - Improves model while optimizing lab- or pilot-scale experimental data generation – **can save years off of pilot test schedule**
 - NCCC and TCM MEA pilot models accurate on CO₂ Capture percentage within **3-6% with 95% confidence**
- **Novel Solvent and Process Optimization**
 - CFD to elucidate novel solvent/packing interaction, contact angle, interfacial area.
 - Rigorously ensures proper balance of cost and performance. Minimize captured cost of 1. PNNL CO₂BOL Process (**>10% improvement over baseline**), 2. Advanced Solvent Flash Stripper Process (optimization performed for multiple solvents)
- **Process Intensification/Equipment Design**
 - Intensified solvent absorber design can **improve capture rates by >10%**
- **Machine Learning**
 - **Increased speed** of CFD based hydrodynamic simulations by **4000x** for 13-22% accuracy (or 14x with better accuracy)
- **Computational Toolset Maintenance**
 - Regular software updates and revision management – **open source**

60% more accurate predictions

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GitHub, Inc. (US) | <https://github.com/CCSI-Toolset>

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Toolset Publicly Available

*More Detail by Ryan Hughes at 1:15 on Oct 12th



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FOQUS User Documentation:

<https://foqus.readthedocs.io>

YouTube Channel - tutorials:

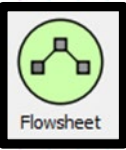
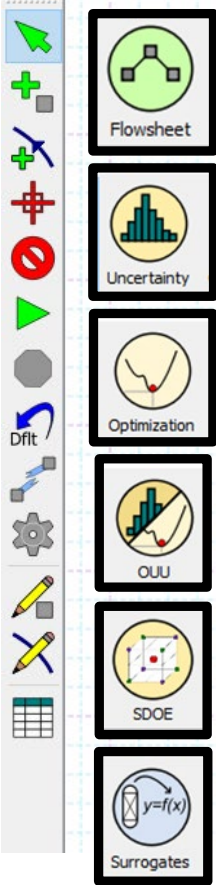
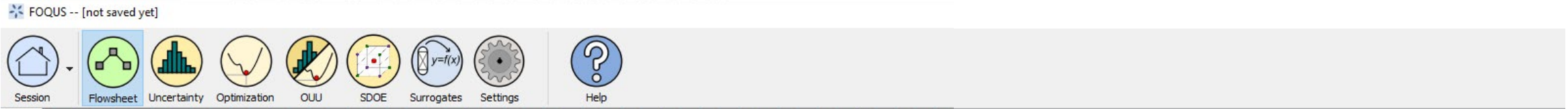
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FOQUS GitHub repo - development:

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CCSI² FOQUS Framework

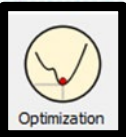
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- Interface connecting commercial and open source modeling platforms (Aspen, gPROMS, Python, Pyomo, Excel). Uses your models.



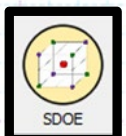
- Propagates uncertainty through modeling hierarchy. Data visualization, parameter screening.



- Simulation based optimization of modeling ensemble.

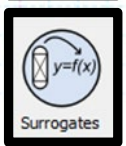


- Optimization of modeling ensemble incorporating parameter-based uncertainty.

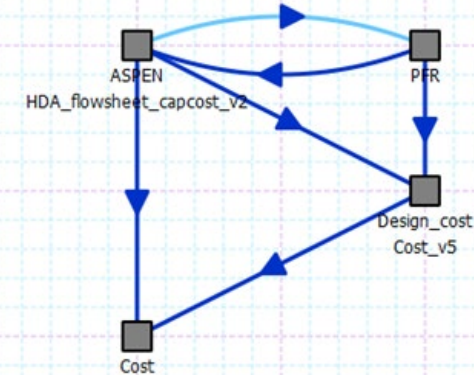


- Sequential Design of Experiments (SDoE) maximize learning from experimentation. Uniform and non-uniform space filling. Ordering.

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- Surrogate modeling capabilities to reduce computational burden of simulation-based engineering. Now coupled with optimization.



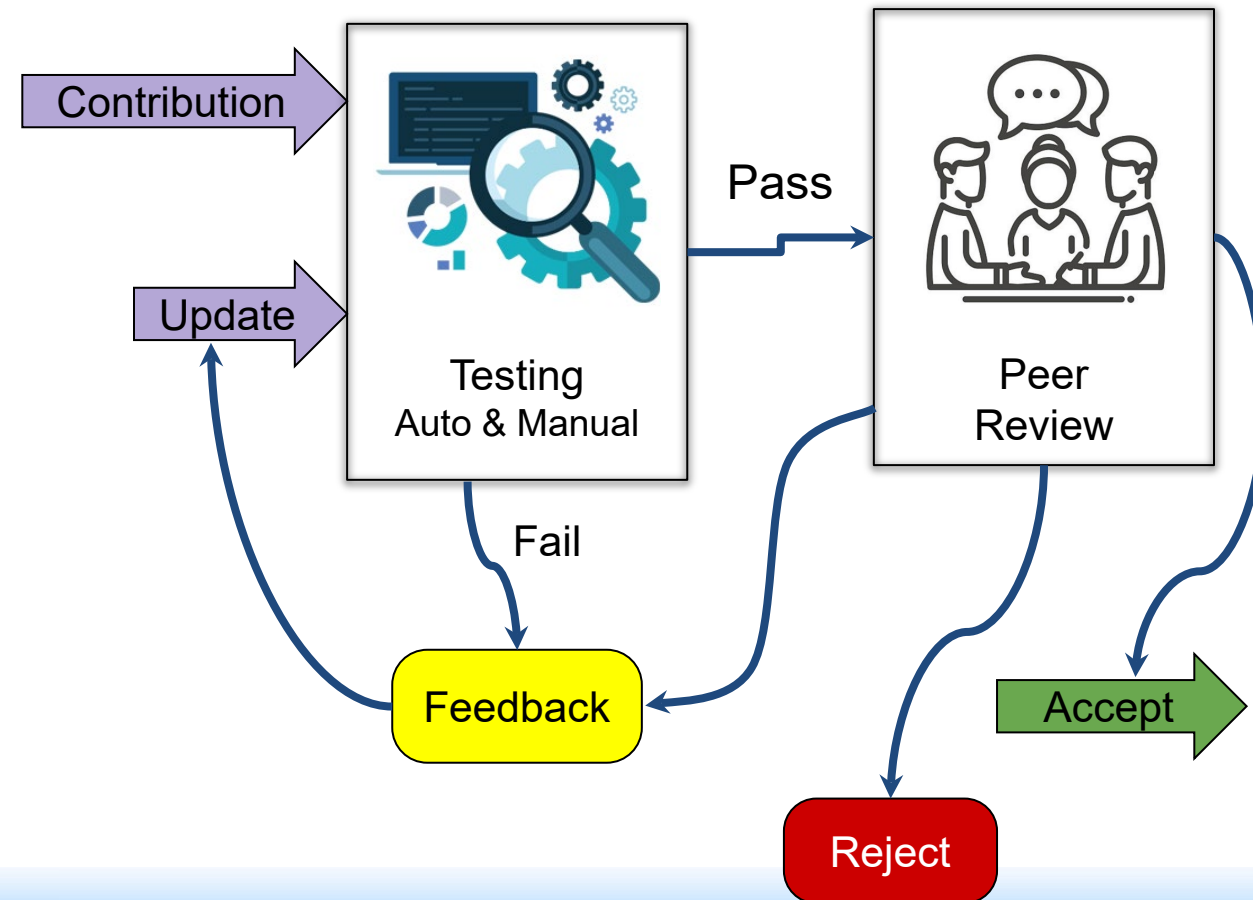
Open Source Toolset Development and Maintenance

- Code publicly available since 2017
- Permissive 3-clause BSD license
- All may use, modify or distribute (with attrib.)
- Examination and contributions welcomed

All Changes Tested and Reviewed

- Currently being used by dev team
- Contributions are tested (manual & auto)
- Peer reviewed by core team members
- Feedback, conversation, changes...
- Change is accepted or rejected
- NDA-Protected IP uses identical process

Two-Stage Code Review Process



SDoE Executive Summary

- **First-principles modeling** serves as the foundation for pilot campaign designs
- UQ can be used to **identify data gaps and their effect on key metrics**
- SDoE leverages UQ to more **efficiently inform data collection**
 - Improves MEA CO₂ capture rate prediction by ~60%
- Improved models support **better optimizations**
- Optimization under more refined uncertainty leads to more **robust designs**
- Modeling insights can be used to **guide future R&D decisions** more efficiently

Deterministic Solvent Modeling Framework

Vapor-Liquid Equilibrium

$$\hat{f}_i^V = \hat{f}_i^L \longrightarrow \hat{\phi}_i y_i P = \gamma_i^* x_i H_i \quad (\text{for solutes})$$

Activity Coefficient

$$\ln(\gamma_i) = \frac{1}{RT} \left. \frac{\partial(nG^{ex})}{\partial n_i} \right|_{T,P,n_{j \neq i}} \quad \gamma_i^* = \frac{\gamma_i}{\lim_{x_i \rightarrow 0} \gamma_i}$$

Reaction Equilibrium Constant

$$\Delta G_{rxn} = -RT \ln(K)$$

Enthalpy Equations

Excess Enthalpy

$$H^{ex} = -RT^2 \sum_i x_i \left(\frac{\partial \ln \gamma_i}{\partial T} \right) \Big|_{P,x}$$

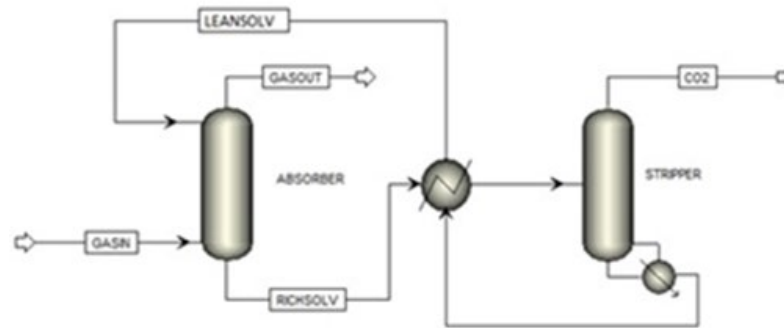
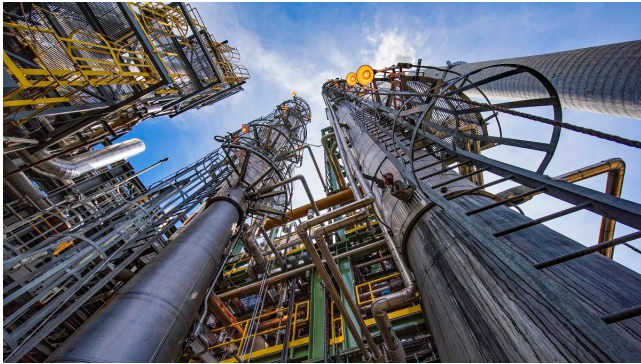
Heat Capacity

$$H_m^l(T + \Delta T) - H_m^l(T) = \int_T^{T+\Delta T} C_{p,m}^l dT$$

Heat of Absorption

$$\Delta H_{abs} = \frac{n_{final} H_{final} - n_{initial} H_{initial} - n_{CO_2} H_{CO_2}}{n_{CO_2}}$$

Deterministic Solvent Modeling Framework



- Validated for National Carbon Capture Center (NCCC) (MEA solvent)
- Validated for Technology Centre Mongstad (TCM) (MEA solvent)

Solvent Model Validation Hierarchy

Rationale

- **Fundamental interactions between CO₂ solvent and absorber packing** are poorly propagated between material and process length scales.
- Absorber packing sizing and performance predictions are largely empirically based, and **often use low fidelity engineering safety factors** to account for unknown commercial scale uncertainties.

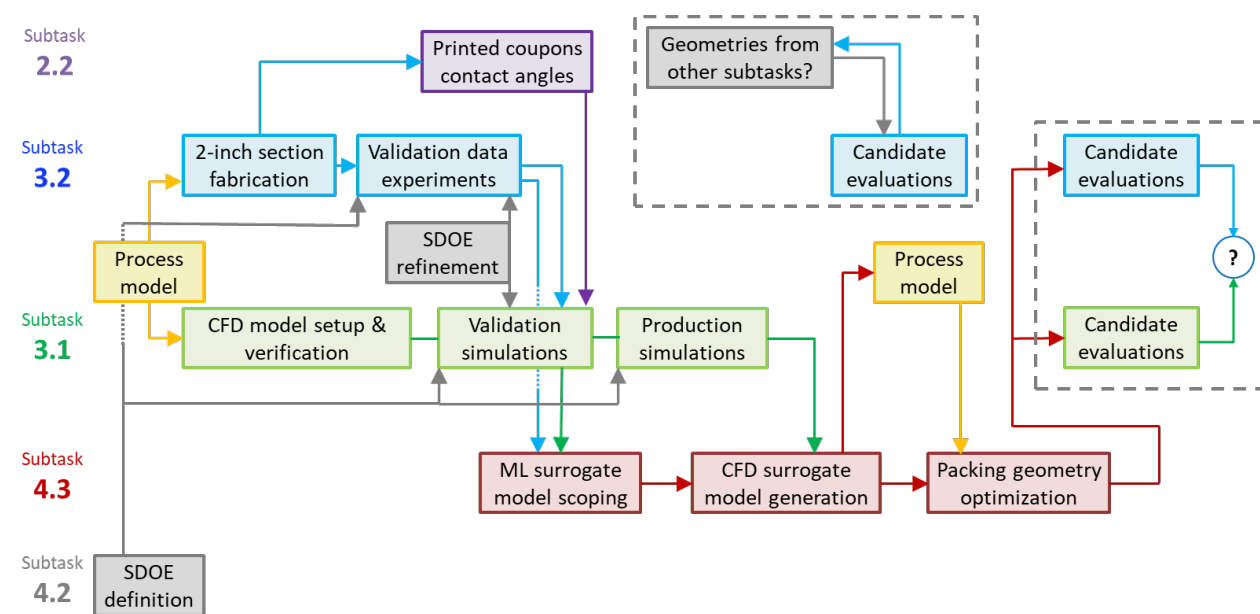
Approach

- Develop fundamental models of governing phenomena at **each length scale**
- **Couple multi-scale and multi-physics models**, reduce model complexity while retaining sufficient accuracy for meaningful performance predictions
- **Validate models** by generating prototype packing and testing carbon capture performance across a range of conditions, including arbitrary heat management throughout the column length.

Outcome

- A **cohesive modeling framework** that can propagate behavior induced by solvent, packing geometry, and packing material choices from the droplet scale through the process scale.
- Fundamental understanding of how to **optimize absorber design/operation for arbitrary solvents and capture targets**.

Solvent Model Validation Hierarchy Workflow



Novel Solvent-Specific Uncertainty Quantification

Activity Coefficients

$$\ln \gamma_i = \frac{\sum_j X_j G_{j,i} \tau_{j,i}}{\sum_k X_k G_{k,i}} + \sum_j \frac{G_{i,j} X_j}{\sum_k G_{k,j} X_k} \cdot \left(\tau_{i,j} - \frac{\sum_m X_m G_{m,j} \tau_{m,j}}{\sum_k X_k G_{k,j}} \right)$$

$$\ln H_{ia} = A_{ia} + \frac{B_{ia}}{T}$$

$$\tau_{i,j} = A_{i,j} + \frac{B_{i,j}}{T}$$

$$\ln P_i^{vap} = A_i + \frac{B_i}{T + C_i}$$

$$G_{i,j} = e^{(-\alpha_{i,j} \tau_{i,j})}$$

Mass Transfer

$$k_G = D_G C_G \left(\frac{a}{d_H} \right)^{0.5} Sc_G^{0.333} Re_G^{0.75} \sqrt{\frac{1}{\varepsilon - h_L}}$$

Viscosity

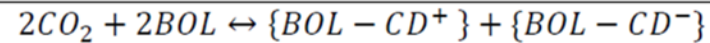
$$\ln \mu_{BOLS} = A_{BOLS} + \frac{B_{BOLS}}{T} + C_{BOLS} \cdot \ln T$$

$$w_{H2O} = \frac{\alpha_{H2O} \cdot MW_{H2O}}{\alpha_{H2O} \cdot MW_{H2O} + MW_{BOL}}$$

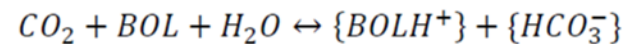
$$\mu_{BOLS-H2O} = \mu_{BOLS} \cdot (1 - w_{H2O}) + \mu_{H2O} \cdot w_{H2O} + D_{Binary} \cdot w_{H2O} \cdot (1 - w_{H2O})$$

$$\mu_{BOLS-CO2-H2O} = \mu_{BOLS-H2O} \cdot e^{\alpha_{CO2} \cdot E_{CO2}}$$

Kinetics

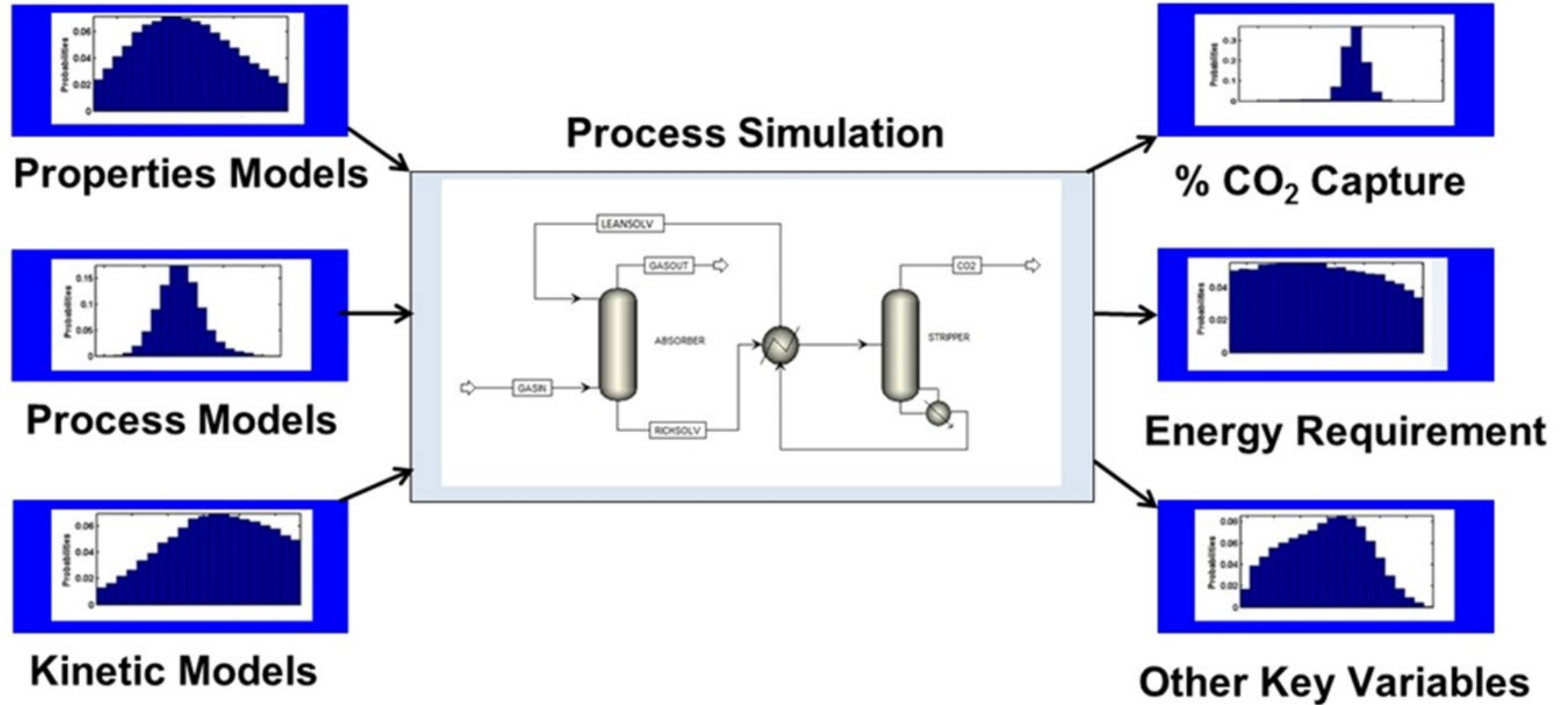


$$r_1 = k_1 \exp\left(-\frac{E_1}{R} \left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{T_{ref}}\right)\right) a_{CO_2} a_{BOL} \left(1 - \frac{a_{BOL-CD^+} a_{BOL-CD^-}}{(a_{CO_2} a_{BOL})^2 K_1}\right)$$



$$r_2 = k_2 \exp\left(-\frac{E_2}{R} \left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{T_{ref}}\right)\right) a_{CO_2} a_{BOL} a_{H_2O} \left(1 - \frac{a_{BOLH^+} a_{HCO_3^-}}{K_2}\right)$$

Novel Solvent-Specific Uncertainty Quantification



Bayesian Inference

- **Bayesian Inference** provides a framework for updating beliefs of model parameters characterized by epistemic uncertainty in light of collection of new data

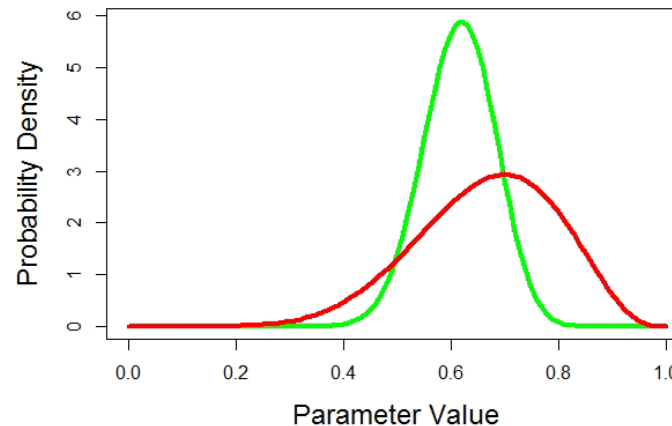
$$\pi(\theta|Z) \propto P(\theta) * L(Z|\theta)$$

Posterior Prior Likelihood

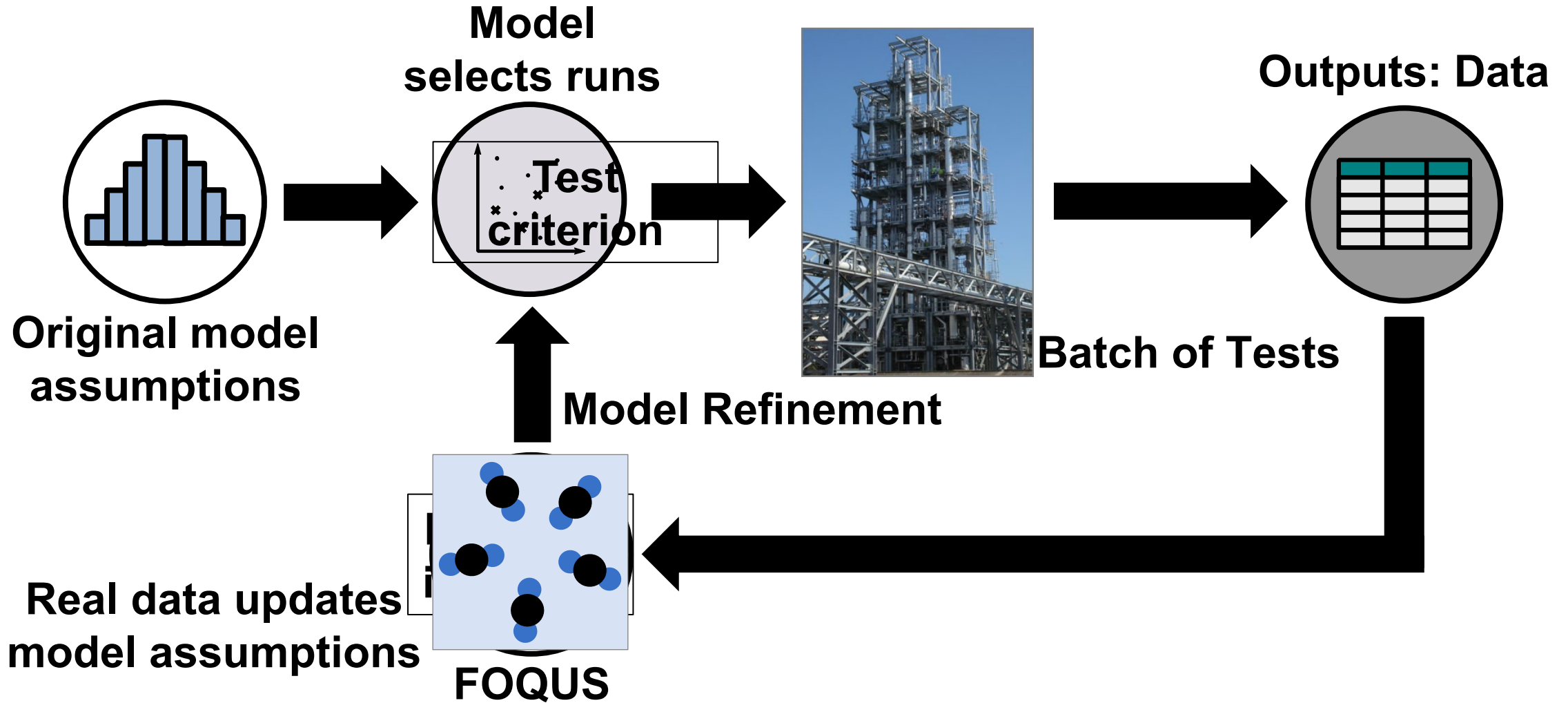
Typical likelihood function (represents discrepancy between model predictions and data values of the output):

$$L(Z|\theta) = \exp\left(-0.5 \sum_{i=1}^M \frac{[F^*(x_i, \theta) - Z(x_i)]^2}{M\sigma_i^2}\right)$$

Representation of Prior and Posterior Distributions (reduction in uncertainty through data collection):

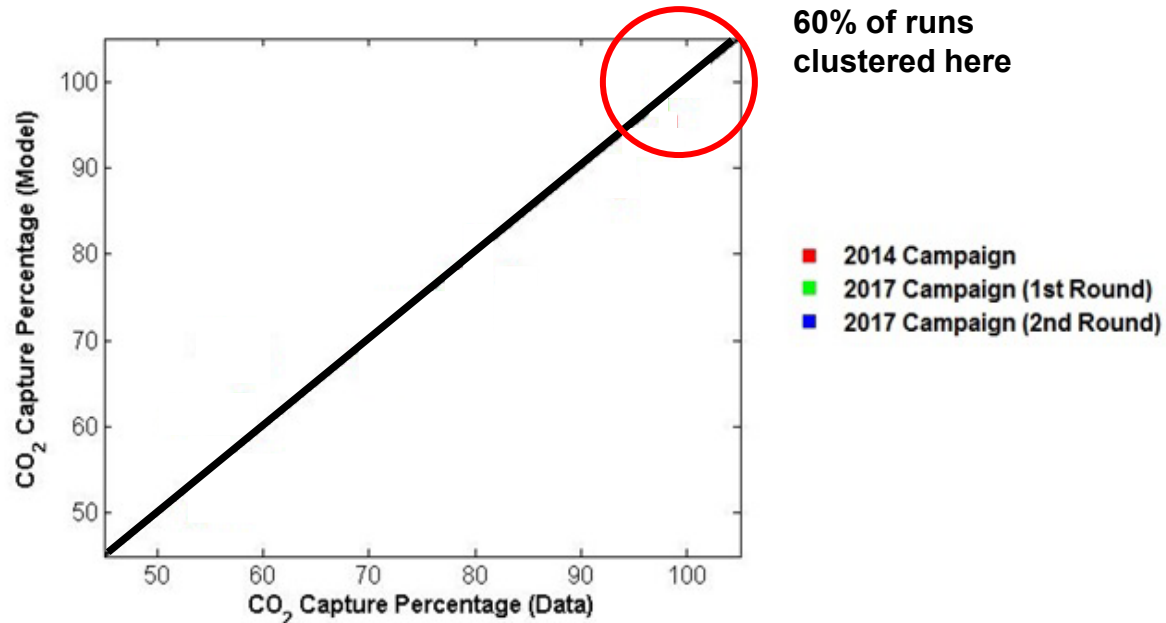


Sequential Design of Experiments Leverages Real Time Data Generation for Optimal Batch Generation



NCCC Model Improvement with SDoE Implementation

Three Beds with Intercooling Cases



2014 Campaign (Before SDoE)

- Conventional test plan caused “clustering”
- Not ideal for complete understanding
- Used data to refine model



Wait 3 years....

2017 Campaign (Using SDoE)

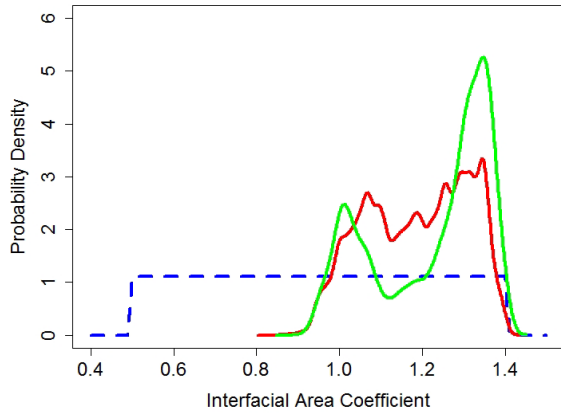
- Much more distributed output
- Much more complete understanding
- *In manner of weeks*, further reduced uncertainty in capture rate by 60%

TCM Model Improvement with SDoE Implementation

Update in Parameter Distributions for Absorber Packing

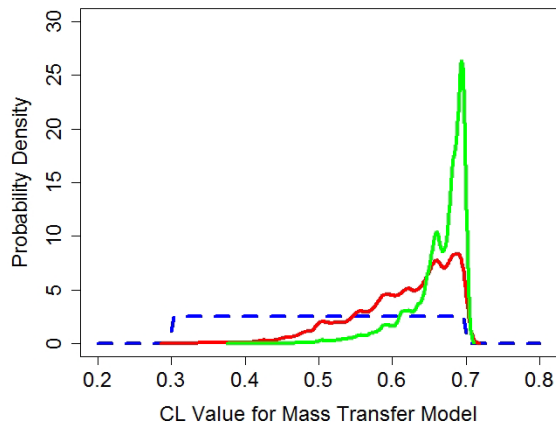


Reduction in CO₂ Capture Percentage Prediction Accuracy

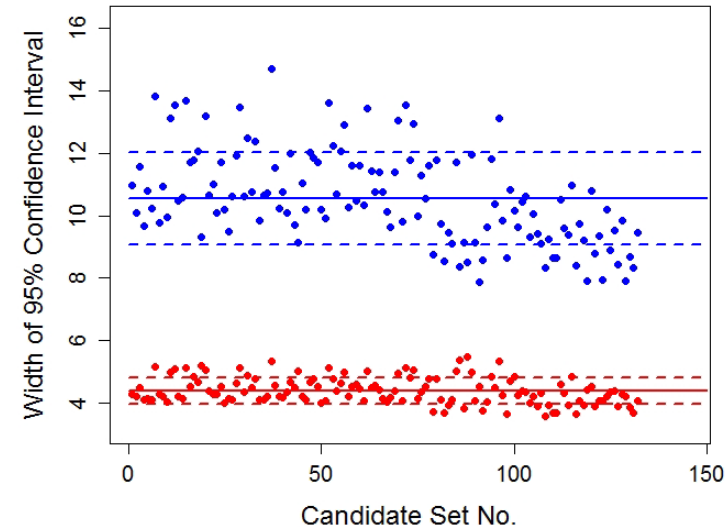


Mass transfer and interfacial area parameters are packing-dependent, and therefore are assigned uniform prior distributions over wide ranges, indicating assumption of relatively large uncertainty before collection of process data.

Bayesian inference, through process data collected using SDoE, results in refined estimates of parameters, and thus reduction in uncertainty in process model and risk associated with scale-up



- - Prior
- - Posterior 1
- - Posterior 2



Prior CI Width:
 $(10.5 \pm 1.5)\%$

Posterior CI Width:
 $(4.4 \pm 0.4)\%$

Average reduction in uncertainty: $58.0 \pm 4.7\%$

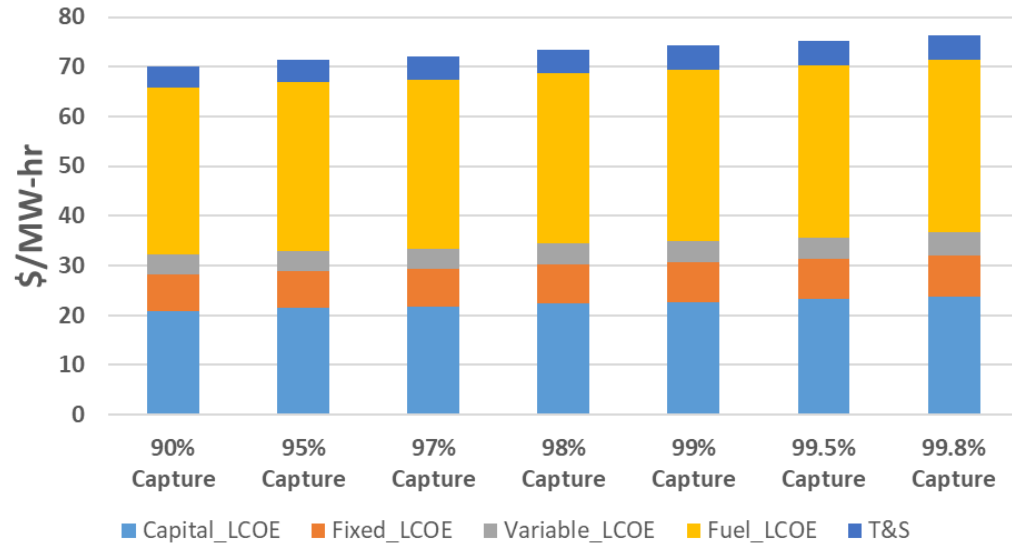
Candidate set includes variation in:

- Solvent Circulation Rate
- Flue Gas flowrate and CO₂ concentration
- Reboiler steam flowrate

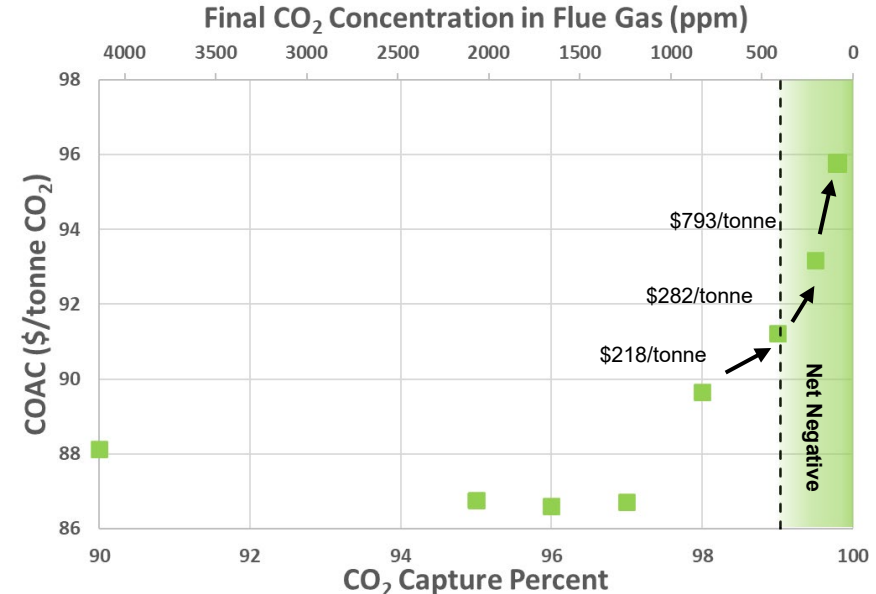
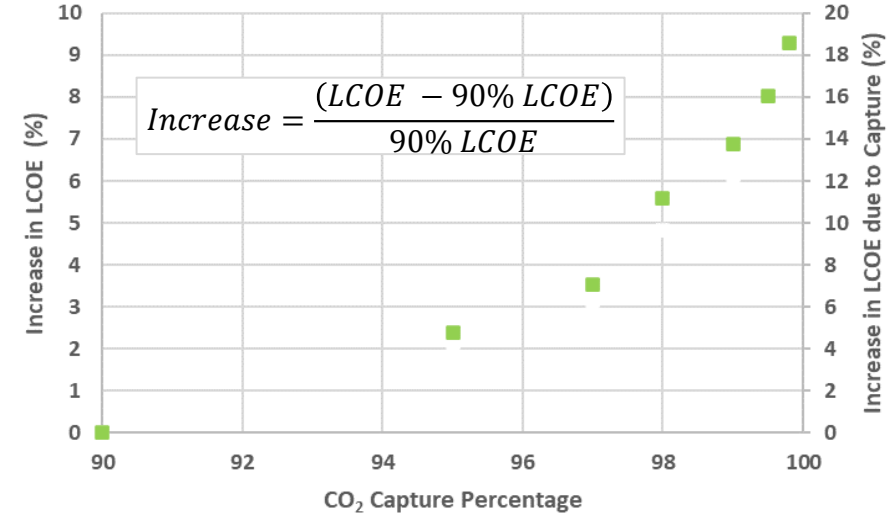
High Capture Rates with MEA Solvent - NGCC

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LCOE Breakdown

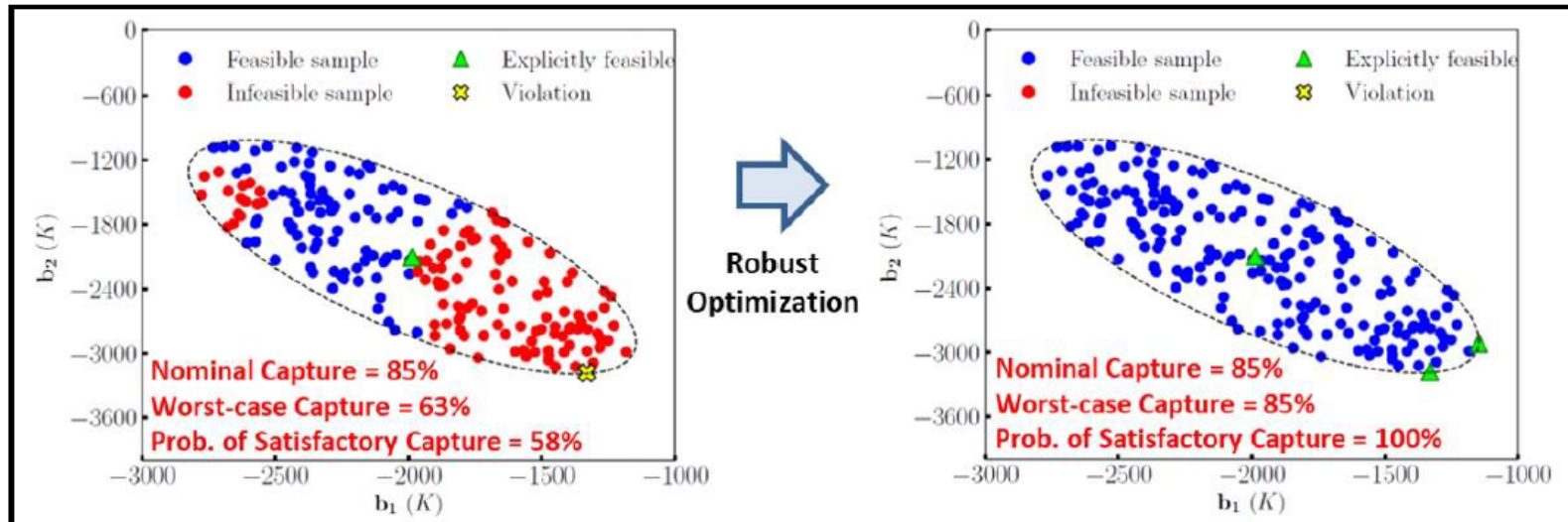


- **LCOE increases linearly from 90→98%**, relatively constant cost of avoided CO₂.
- Incremental **cost of avoided CO₂ significantly increases** in 98→99.8% capture range.
- Practical considerations (e.g., **need for aux boiler, flexible operation**) will increase LCOE further at high capture percentages





PyROS: a Pyomo Robust Optimization Solver

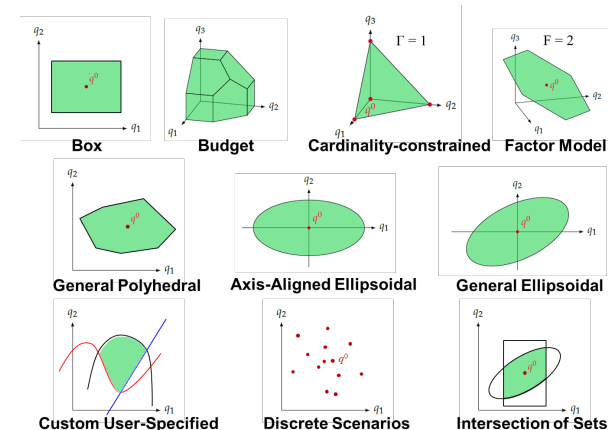


Designs optimized deterministically can easily become infeasible with moderate uncertainty

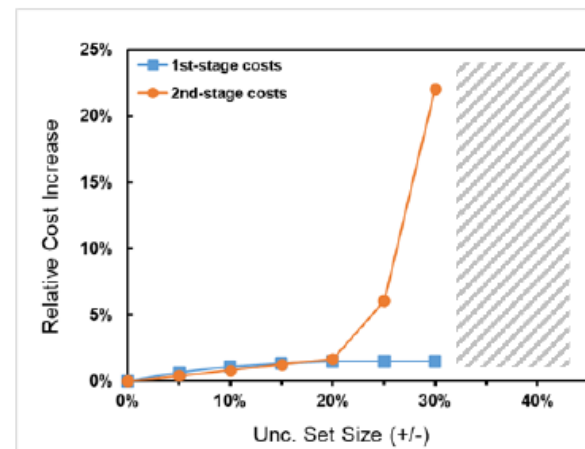
Robust optimized designs can ensure safety and performance constraints are met amidst anticipated uncertainty

Price of robustness can be quantified, minimized

*More Detail in Poster by Jason Sherman



Evolution of costs for increasingly robust designs



Capture Modeling and Analysis Capabilities

Tools and process models to predict, optimize, and minimize risk in the scale-up of technologies

*Posters by: Morgan, Panagakos, Xu, Summits, Tsouris

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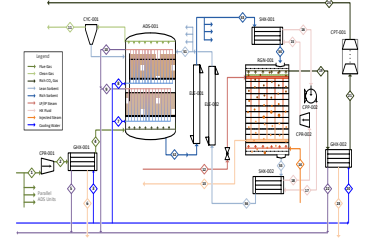
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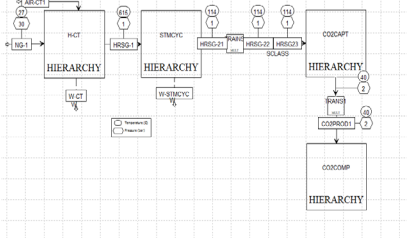
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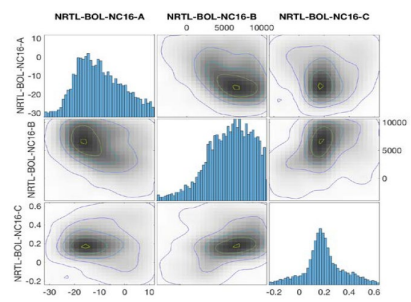
High-Fidelity, Multi-Scale Modeling



Process-level TEA Optimization



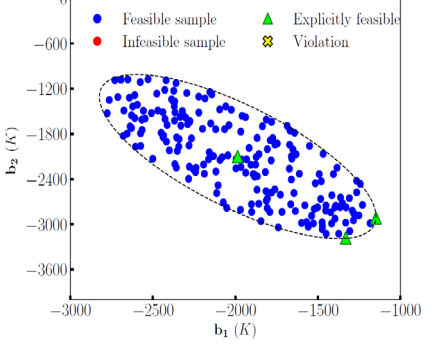
UQ and Parameter Optimization



Foundational Capabilities

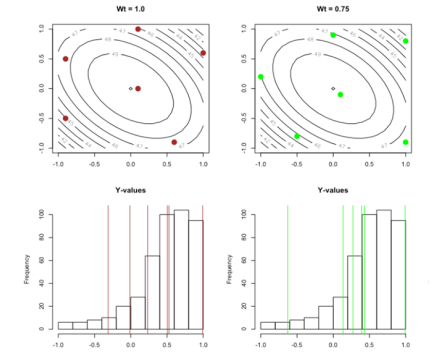
- High-Fidelity CCS Modeling (sorbents, solvents, membranes)
- Design of Experiments
- Steady-State and Dynamic Process Optimization
- Electricity Grid Modeling / Expansion Planning
- Multi-Scale Modeling and Optimization (Materials/Process/Grid)
- Uncertainty Quantification
- Robust Optimization (i.e., Design Under Uncertainty)
- Machine Learning/AI

Robust Optimization



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Optimal DoE



*Posters by: Nachtsheim, Wang

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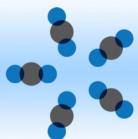
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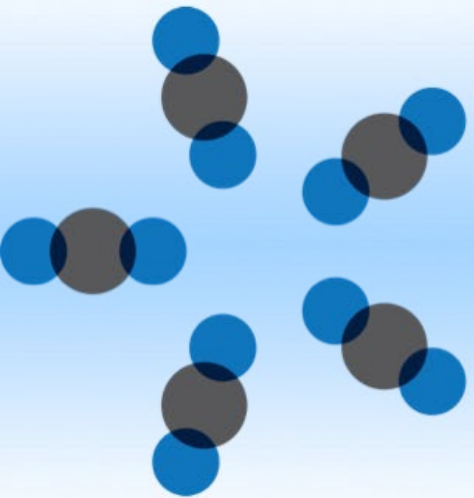


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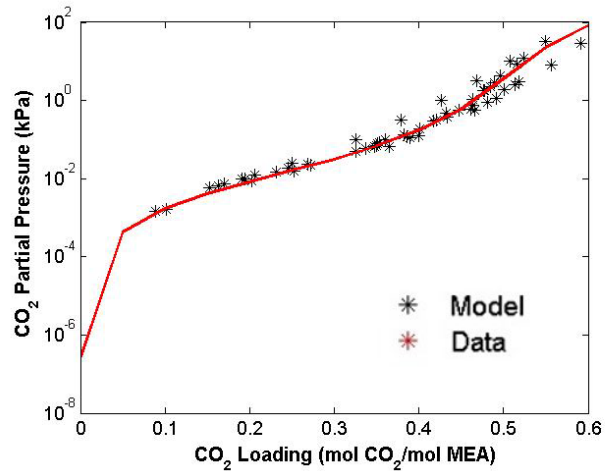


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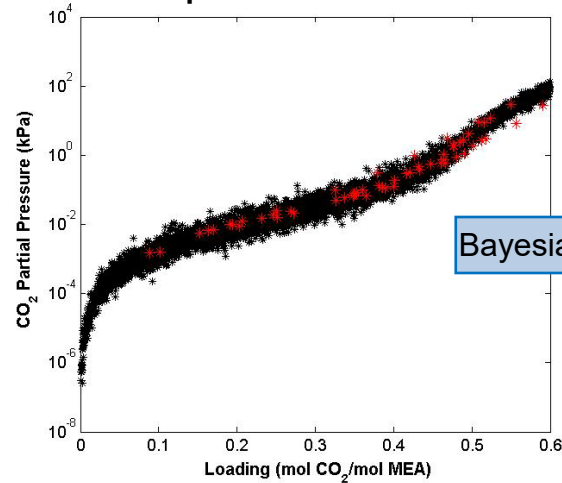
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VLE Data/Model Comparison at 40°C

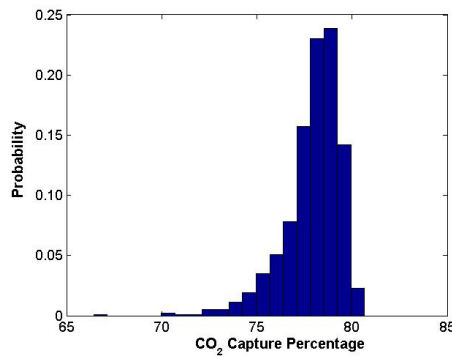
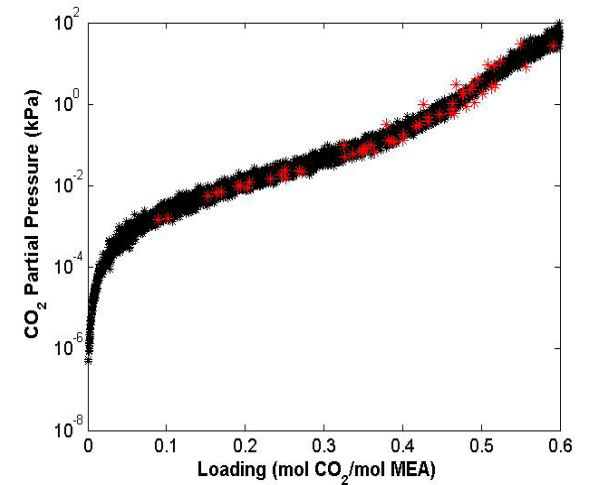
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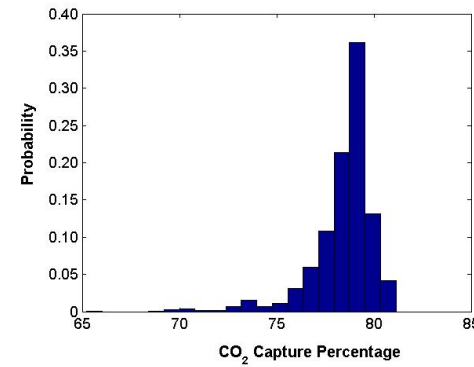
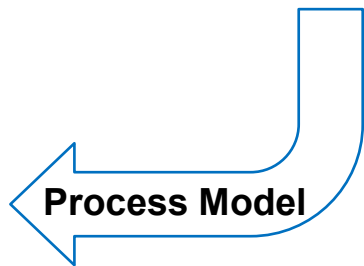
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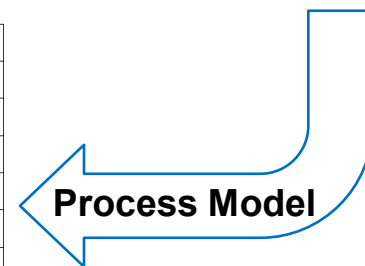
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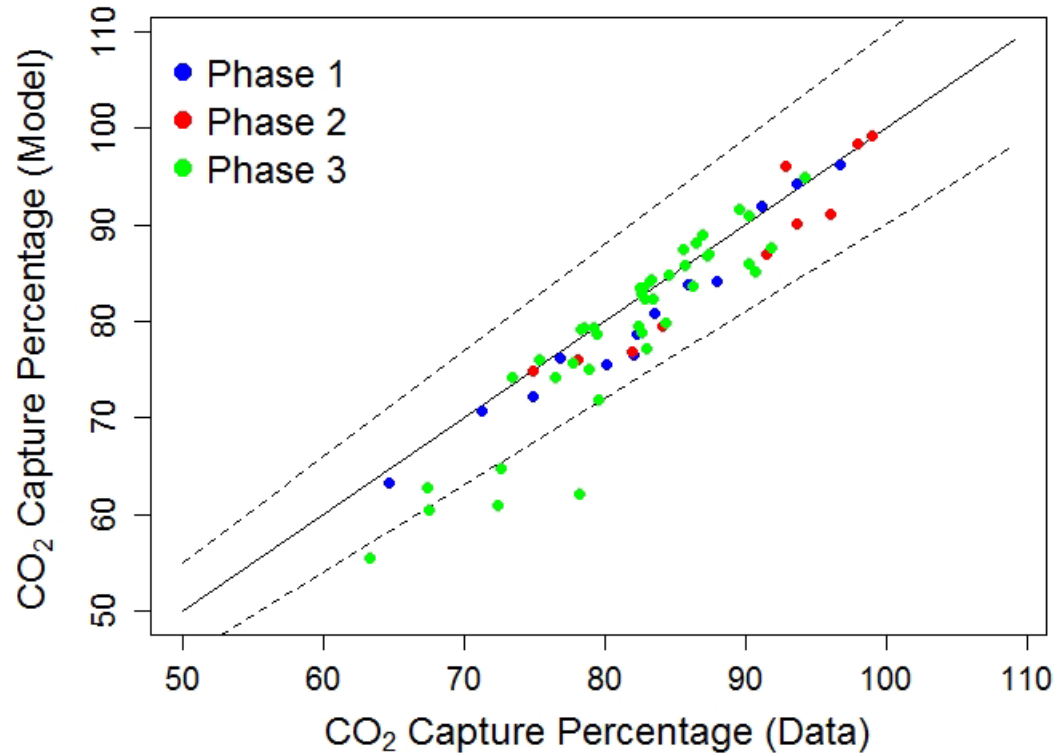


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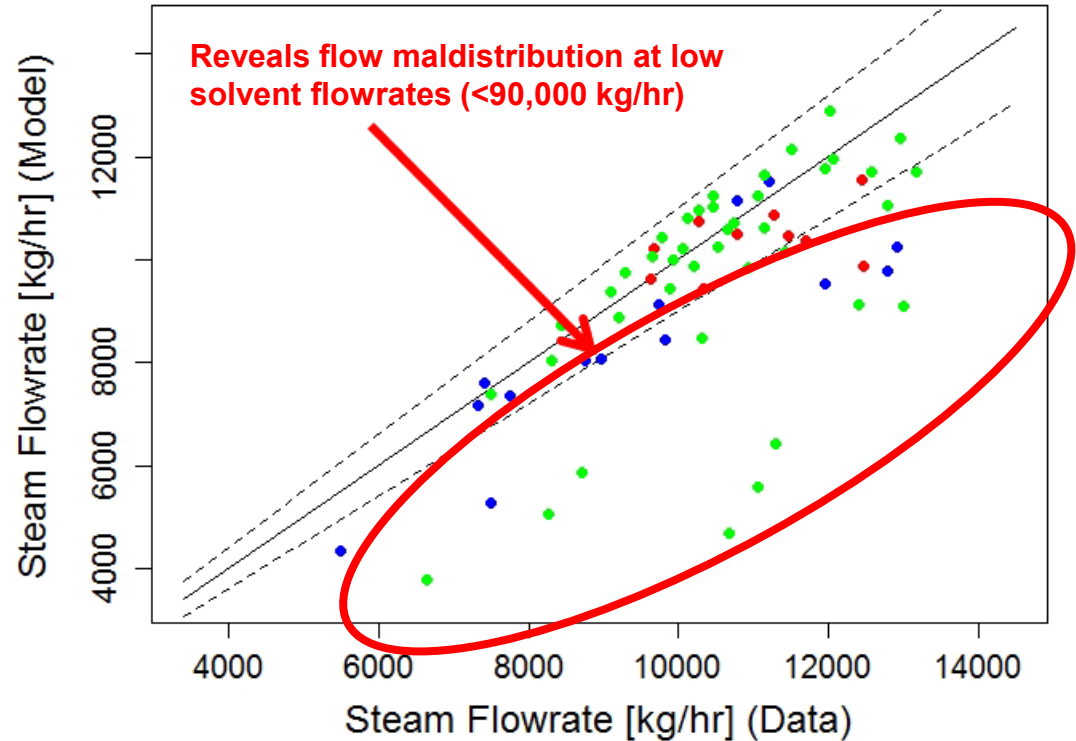


Model Based Insight into Operational Non-Idealities

TCM Absorber Performance*



TCM Stripper Performance*



Fundamental Model Insight into Data Aberrations

