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Comparison of interval and stochastic methods  
for uncertainty quantification in metal forming

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This presentation compares interval and stochastic methods for studying the impact of manufacturing variability in series production in sheet metal forming.

- Motivation.
- Outline.
- Interval and stochastic methods.
- Application to sheet metal forming.
- Conclusion.

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## Interval and stochastic methods

# Problem setting

Raw materials variability:

- Material properties.

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Process variability:

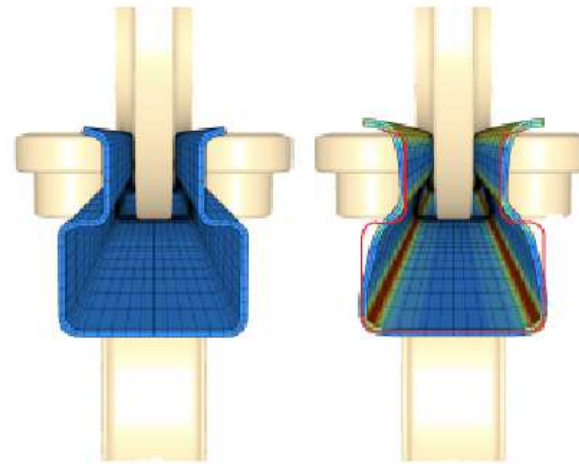
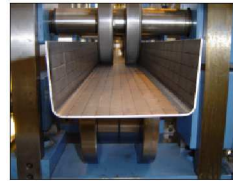
- Blank holder force.
- Initial dimensions.
- Friction.

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Modeling limitations:

- Constitutive model.
- FE discretization.

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Product variability:

- Final dimensions.
- Springback.

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Prediction limitations:

- Numerical noise.

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**Input variables**

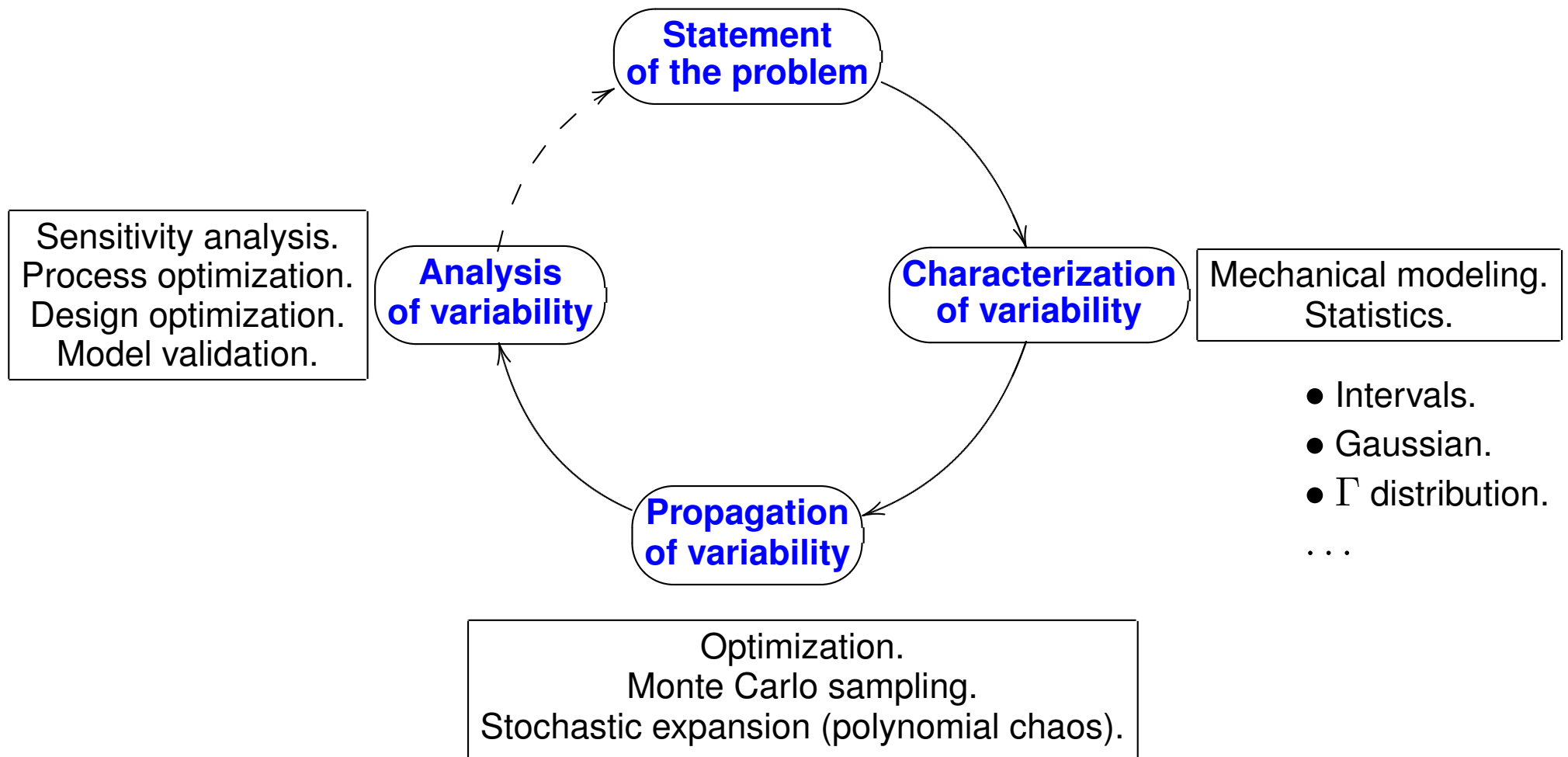
$(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$

**Mapping**

$y = g(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$

**Output variable**

$y$



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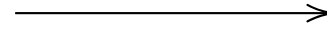
## ■ Characterization of variability:

**Available information**

Catalogue bounds

Production data

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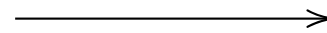
**Intervals**

$$[\underline{x}_1, \bar{x}_1], \dots, [\underline{x}_m, \bar{x}_m]$$

## ■ Propagation of variability:

**Intervals**

$$[\underline{x}_1, \bar{x}_1], \dots, [\underline{x}_m, \bar{x}_m]$$



optimization

**Interval**

$$[\underline{y}, \bar{y}]$$

$$\underline{y} = \min_{\substack{x_1 \leq x_1 \leq \bar{x}_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_m \leq x_m \leq \bar{x}_m}} g(x_1, \dots, x_m) \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{y} = \max_{\substack{x_1 \leq x_1 \leq \bar{x}_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_m \leq x_m \leq \bar{x}_m}} g(x_1, \dots, x_m).$$

## ■ Sensitivity analysis:

- ◆ Local sensitivity descriptors, such as  $\frac{\partial y}{\partial x_1}$ ,  $\frac{\partial y}{\partial \bar{x}_1}$ ,  $\dots$ ,  $\frac{\partial \bar{y}}{\partial x_m}$ ,  $\frac{\partial \bar{y}}{\partial \bar{x}_m}$ , and their variants.

## ■ Characterization of variability:

### Available information

Catalogue bounds  
Production data  
...

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mechanical modeling  
statistics

### Probability density function

$$\rho(x_1, \dots, x_m)$$

## ■ Propagation of variability:

### Probability density function

$$\rho(x_1, \dots, x_m)$$

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Monte Carlo

### Probability density function

$$\rho_y$$

Generate an ensemble of samples of  $x_1, \dots, x_m$  following probability density function  $\rho(x_1, \dots, x_m)$ .

Map each sample of  $x_1, \dots, x_m$  into the corresponding sample of  $y$ .

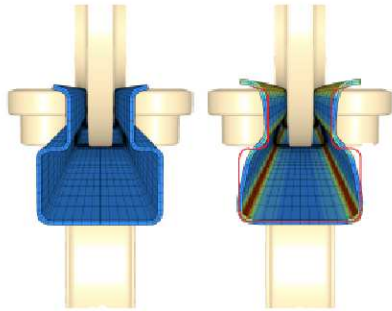
Deduce probability density function  $\rho_y$  and other statistical descriptors of  $y$ .

## ■ Sensitivity analysis:

- ◆ Local sensitivity descriptors, such as  $\frac{\partial y}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial y}{\partial x_m}$ , and their variants.
- ◆ Global sensitivity descriptors that indicate the significance of the variability in each input.



# Surrogate model



**Real process or FE model.**

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$$y = \sum_{(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m)} c_{(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m)} x_1^{\alpha_1} \times \dots \times x_m^{\alpha_m}$$

**Surrogate model.**

**Training set**

$$\begin{aligned} y^{(1)} &= g(x_1^{(1)}, \dots, x_m^{(1)}) \\ &\vdots \\ y^{(n)} &= g(x_1^{(n)}, \dots, x_m^{(n)}) \end{aligned}$$

→  
regression

**Surrogate model**

$$y = \sum c_{(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m)} x_1^{\alpha_1} \times \dots \times x_m^{\alpha_m}$$

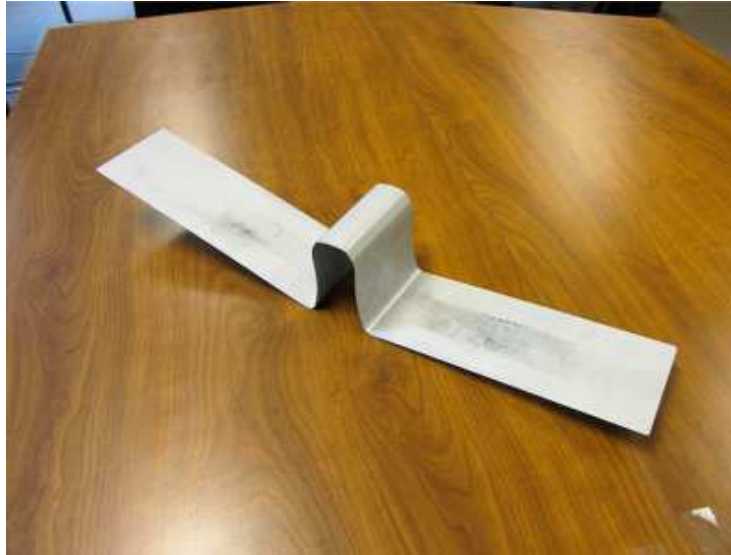
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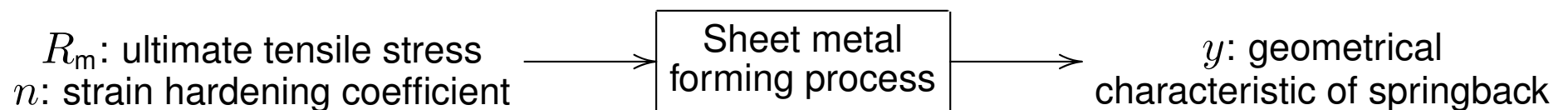
## Application to sheet metal forming

# Problem setting

- We consider an “omega” sheet metal forming process:

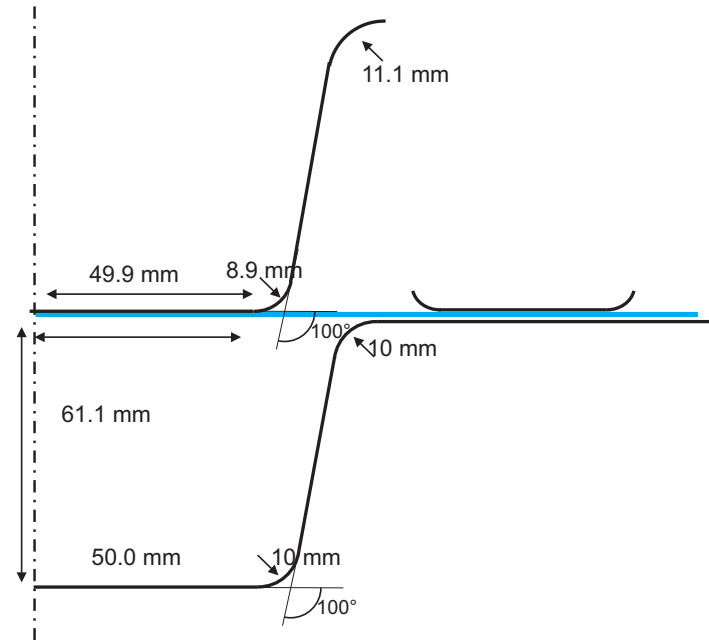


- We assume that manufacturing variability manifests itself as variability in the ultimate tensile stress  $R_m$  and the strain hardening coefficient  $n$ , and we are interested in the impact of this manufacturing variability on a geometrical characteristic of the springback, which we denote by  $y$ :



# Problem setting

- We assume that the following information is available:



FE model.

$$600 \text{ MPa} \leq R_m \leq 700 \text{ MPa}$$

$$0.14 \leq n \leq 0.22$$

Catalogue bounds (DP600).

$j$ [-]	$R_m$ [MPa]	$n$ [-]
1	659	0.164
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
25	646	0.162

Production data (fictitious).

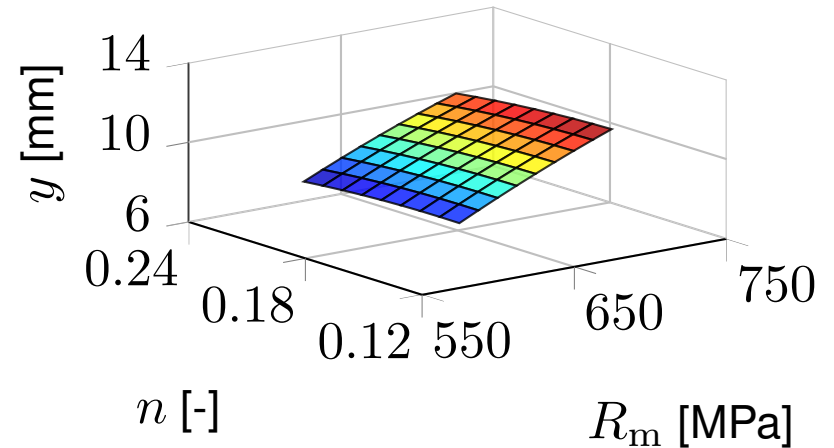
# Surrogate model

- In order to lower the computational cost, we construct a surrogate model to serve as a substitute for the FE model in the interval and stochastic analyses:

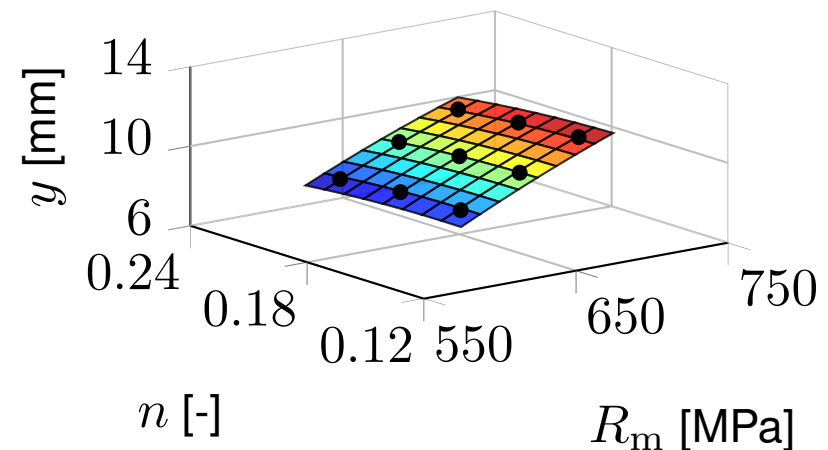
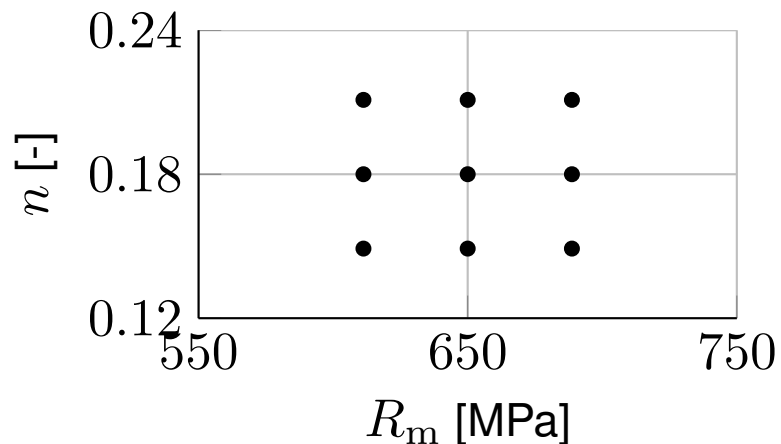


FE model.

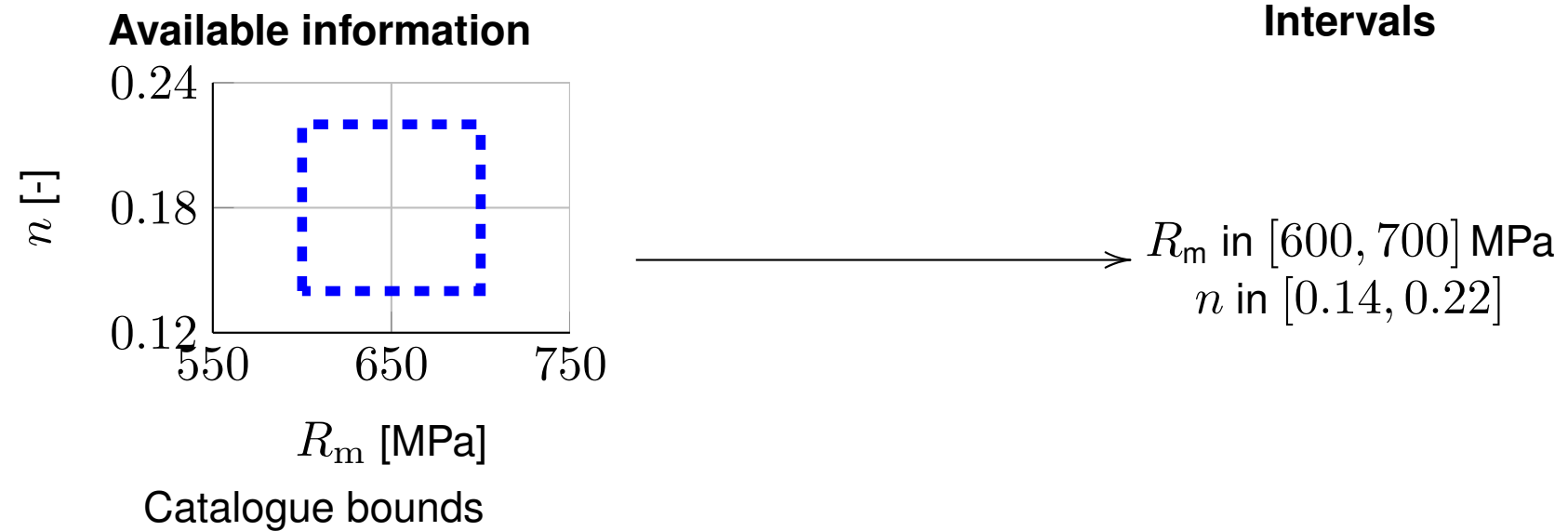
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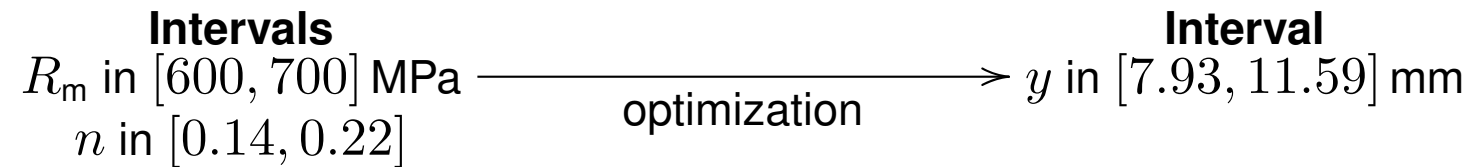
We construct the surrogate model by using the FE model to evaluate for a small number of well chosen values of  $R_m$  and  $n$  corresponding values of  $y$  and then applying a regression method:



## ■ Characterization of variability

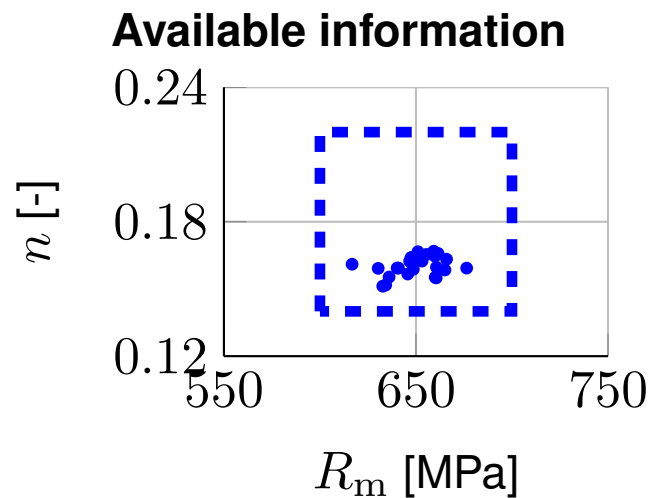


## ■ Propagation of variability



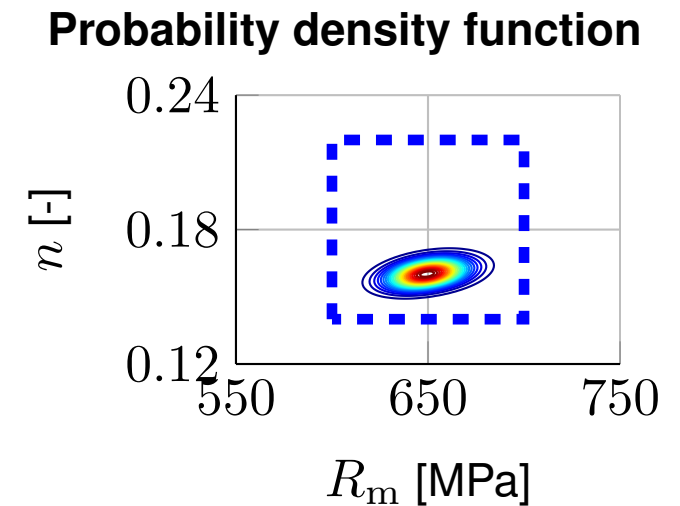
$$7.93 \text{ mm} = \min_{\substack{600 \leq R_m \leq 700 \\ 0.14 \leq n \leq 0.22}} g(R_m, n) \quad \text{and} \quad 11.59 \text{ mm} = \max_{\substack{600 \leq R_m \leq 700 \\ 0.14 \leq n \leq 0.22}} g(R_m, n).$$

## ■ Characterization of variability



Catalogue bounds  
Production data

mechanical modeling  
statistics

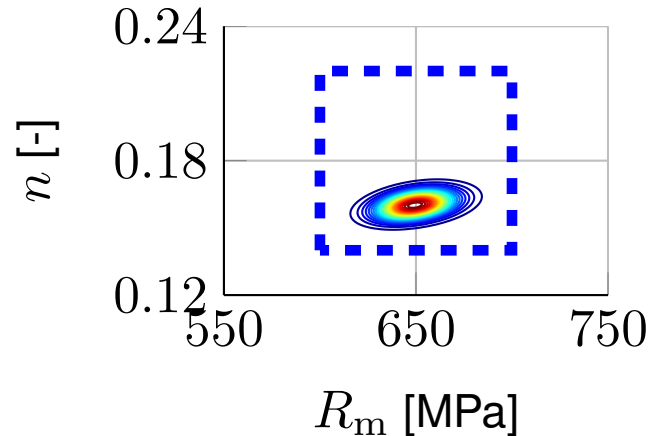


$$P(600 \text{ MPa} \leq R_m \leq 700 \text{ MPa}) = 1$$
$$P(0.14 \leq n \leq 0.22) = 1$$



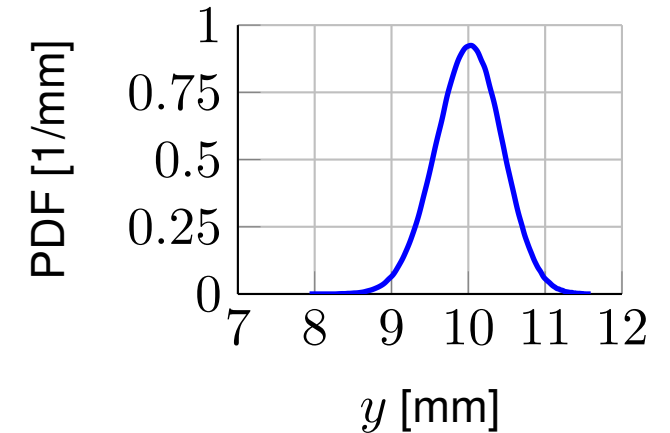
## ■ Propagation of variability

Probability density function



Monte Carlo

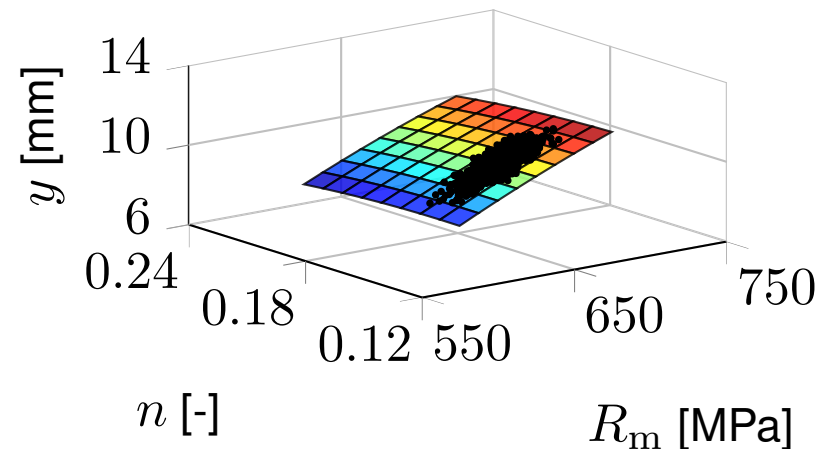
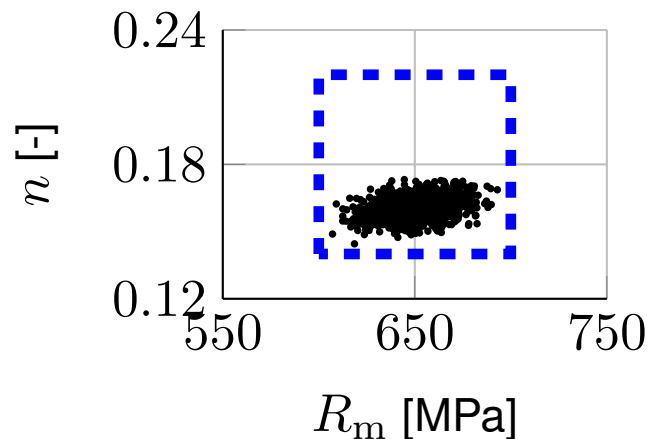
Probability density function



$$P(7.93 \text{ mm} \leq y \leq 11.59 \text{ mm}) = 1$$

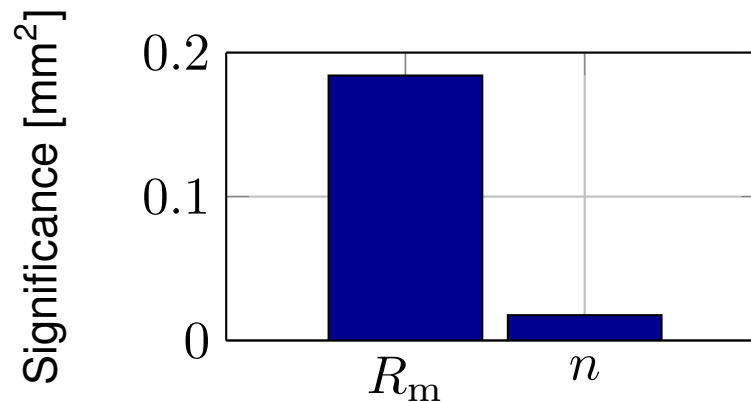
$$P(9.16 \text{ mm} \leq y \leq 10.84 \text{ mm}) = 95\%$$

We generated an ensemble of samples of  $R_m$  and  $n$  following their probability density function, mapped each sample of  $R_m$  and  $n$  into a corresponding value of  $y$ , and applied mathematical statistics method to deduce the probability density function and other statistical descriptors of  $y$ :



## ■ Sensitivity analysis

In addition to a local sensitivity analysis, for which we do not show results here, stochastic methods allow a global sensitivity analysis, which can indicate the significance of the variability in each input:



A global sensitivity analysis based on the analysis-of-variance method, about which we do not provide details here, indicates that the variability in  $R_m$  is most significant in inducing variability in  $y$ .

- Interval and stochastic methods involve **different representations of variability**:
  - ◆ Intervals describe ranges of values.
  - ◆ Probability density functions describe frequencies of occurrence.
  
- Interval and stochastic methods **require different types of information to be available**:
  - ◆ Interval methods require that the available information allows the ranges of values of the variable properties of the manufacturing process to be bounded.
  - ◆ Stochastic methods require that the available information allows the frequencies of occurrence of the variable properties of the manufacturing process to be modeled.
  
- Interval and stochastic methods **provide different types of insight**:
  - ◆ Interval methods describe the impact of the manufacturing variability in terms of ranges of values for properties of the formed object.
  - ◆ Stochastic methods describe the impact of the manufacturing variability in terms of frequencies of occurrence of properties of the formed object..
  
- The computational cost of both interval and stochastic methods can be lowered via the use of a surrogate model as a substitute for a FE model or the real process.

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