

WindTUNE: a new tool for modelling wind farm noise uncertainties

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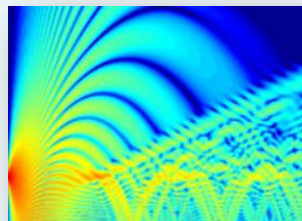
I. Noise generation

- characterization of dynamic stall noise
- measurement of stall noise *in situ*
- modelling of wind turbine noise amplitude modulations



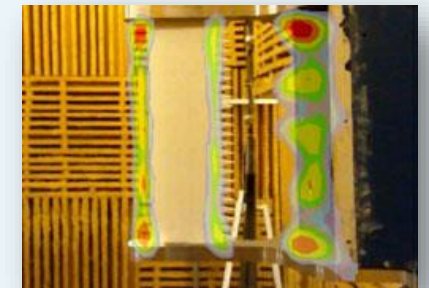
II. Noise prediction

- estimation of uncertainties related to sound emission and sound propagation
- experimental validation of the uncertainty model.

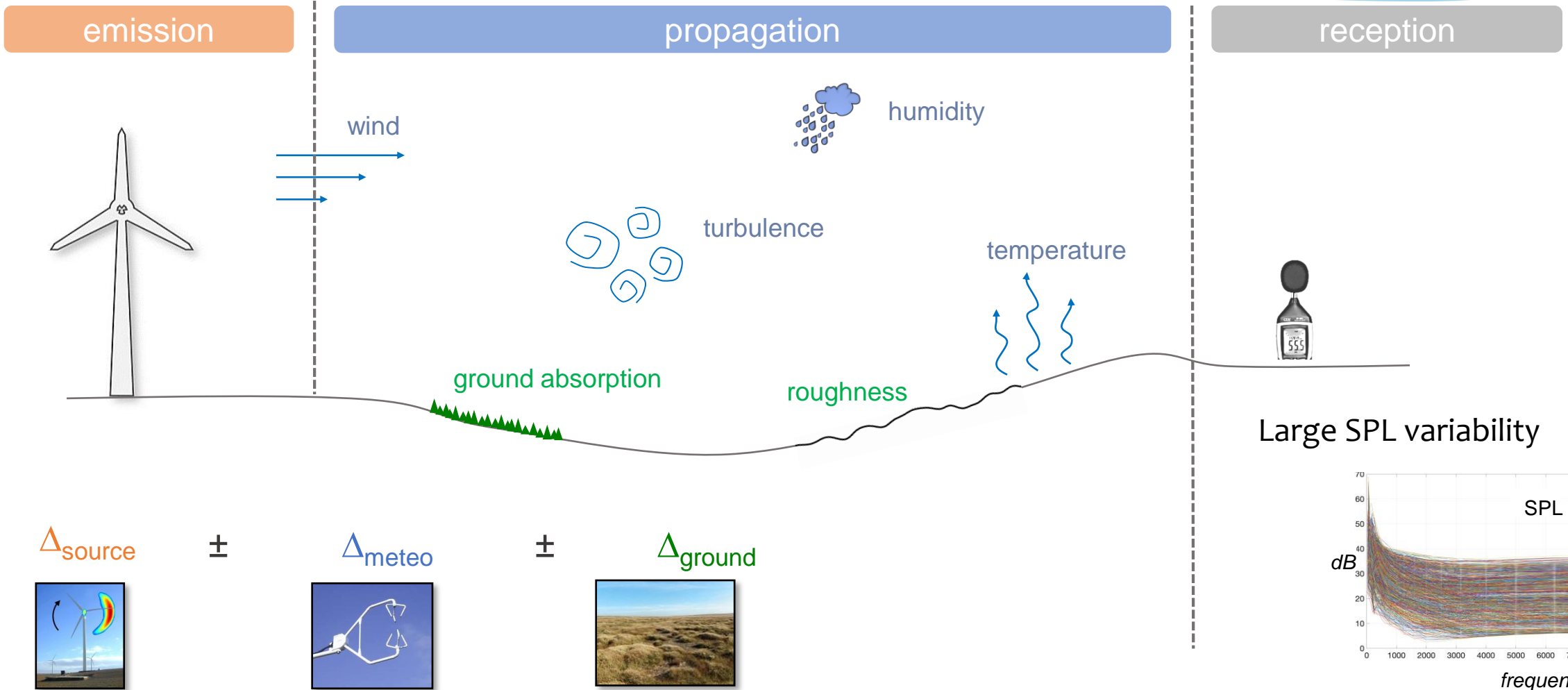


III. Noise reduction

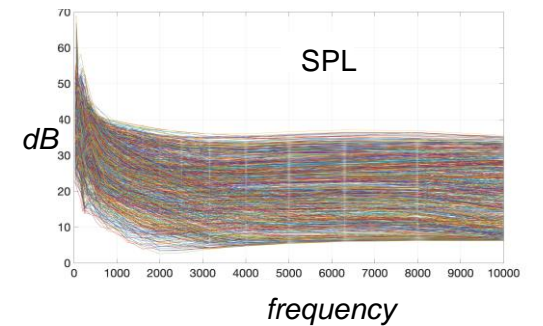
- research and design of systems that minimize the generation of aerodynamic noise at the blade level.
- wind tunnel evaluation of these different types of devices

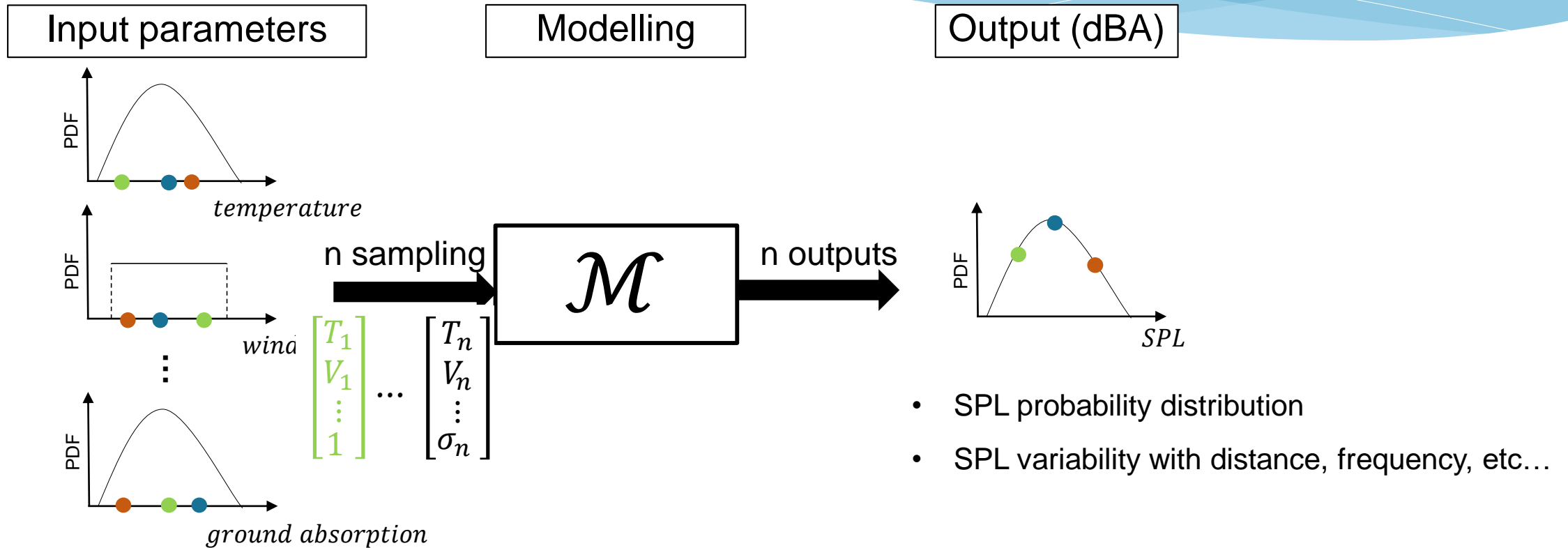


Wind turbine noise uncertainties



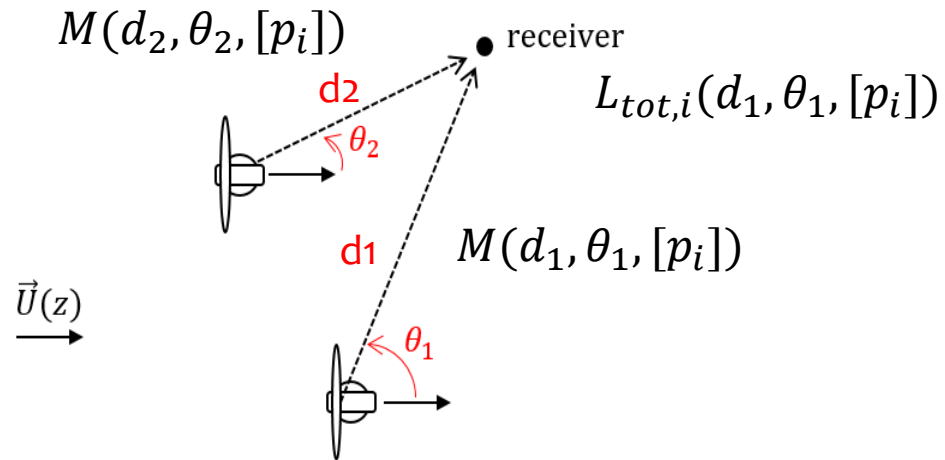
Large SPL variability





- SPL probability distribution
- SPL variability with distance, frequency, etc...

➔ Monte Carlo or quasi-Monte Carlo methods



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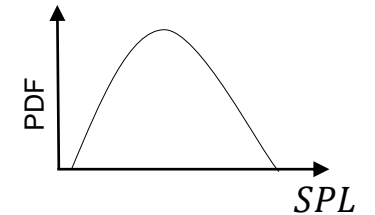
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$$| L_{WT_j} = M(d_j, \theta_j, [p_i])$$

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-> L_{tot} statistical distribution

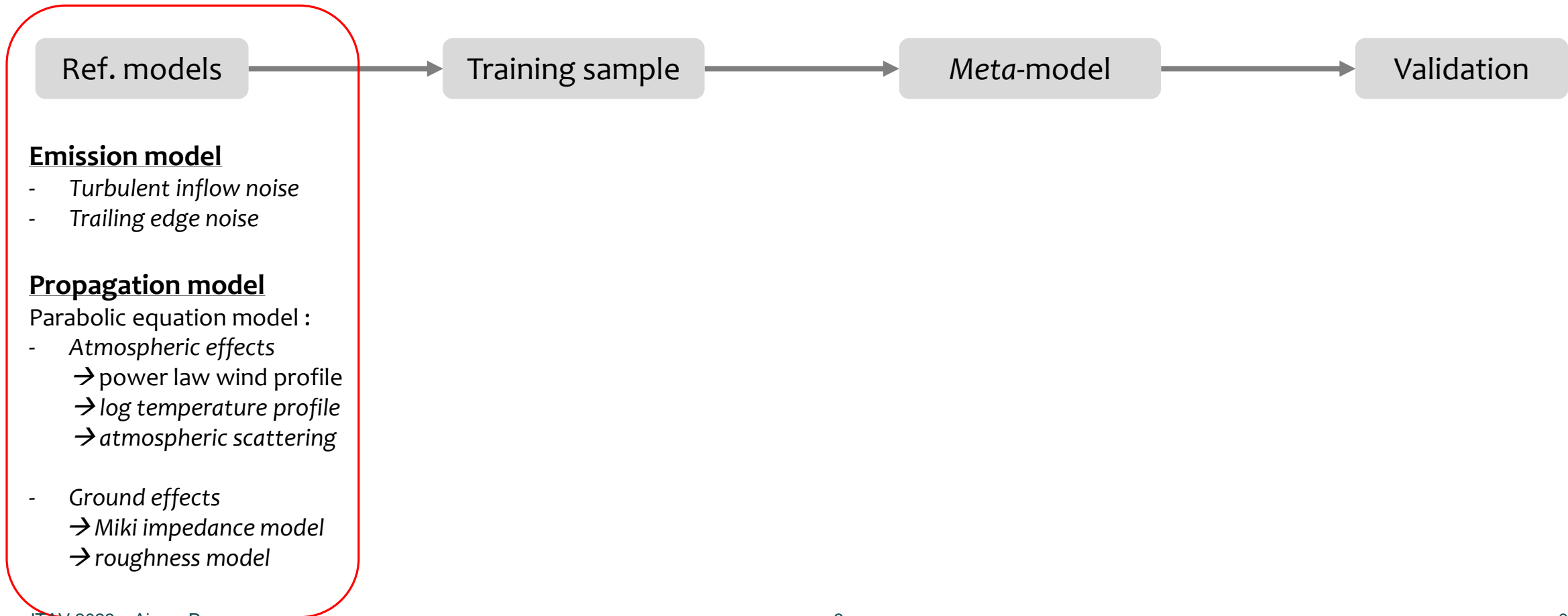
-> statistics (mean, stdev, CI ...)



High computational cost

→ Need to develop a fast surrogate (or *meta*) model to replace \mathcal{M}

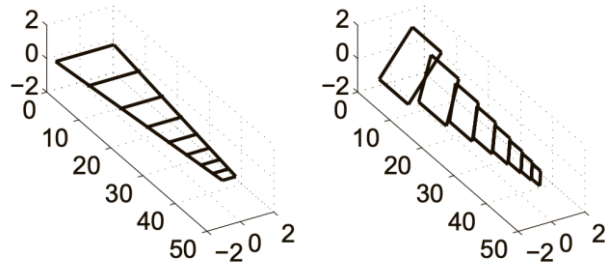
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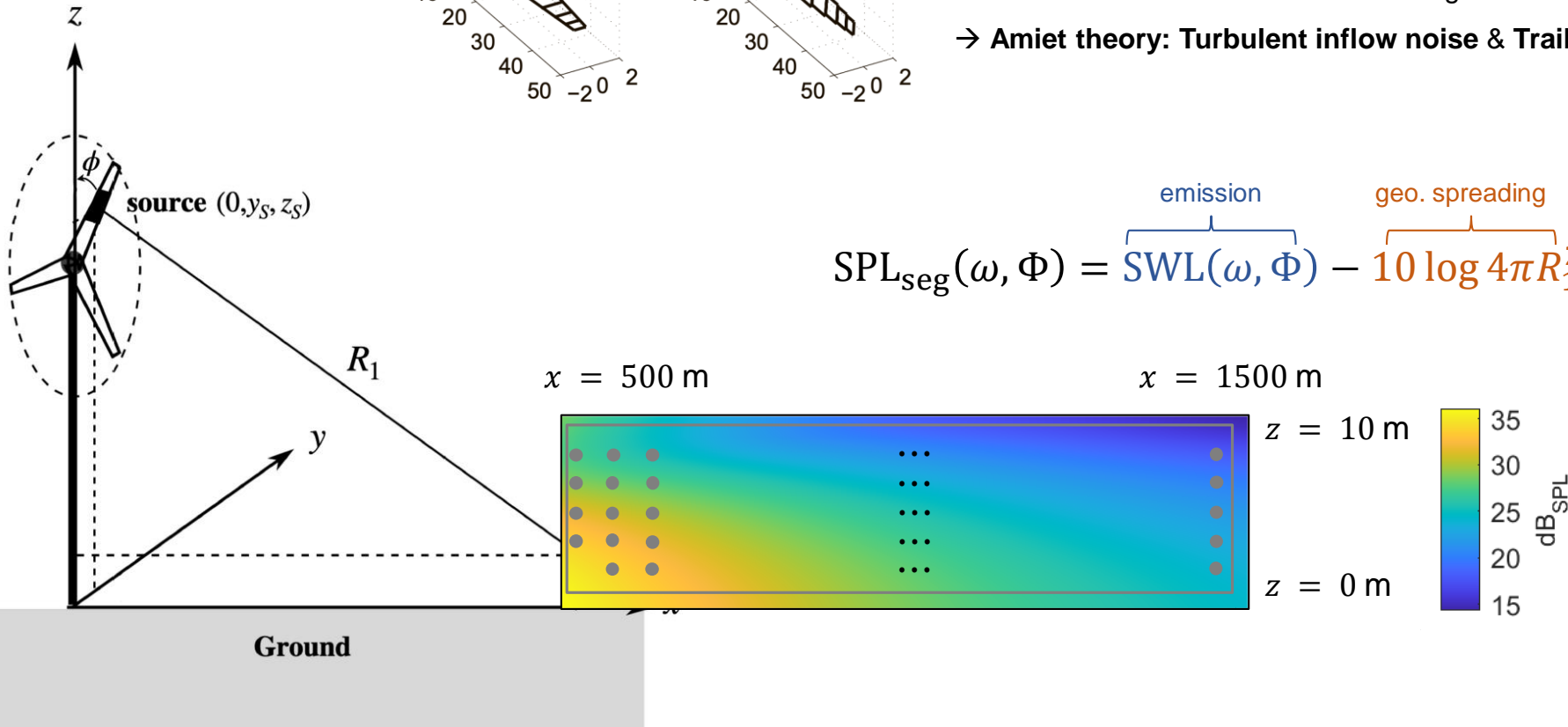
Noise emission [1]: strip theory (divides the blade in $S = 8$ segments)

- ✓ Complex blade geometry
- ✓ Non uniform incident flow along the blade

→ **Amiet theory: Turbulent inflow noise & Trailing edge noise**



$$\text{SPL}_{\text{seg}}(\omega, \Phi) = \overbrace{\text{SWL}(\omega, \Phi)}^{\text{emission}} - \overbrace{10 \log 4\pi R_1^2}^{\text{geo. spreading}} + \overbrace{\Delta L(\omega, \Phi) - \alpha(\omega)R_1}^{\text{propagation effects}}$$



[1] Cotté, B. (2019). Extended source models for wind turbine noise propagation. The Journal of the Acoustical Society of America, 145(3):1363–1371.

The WAPE can take into account turbulence by perturbing refractive index, but the computational cost is too high. We choose to use *Harmonoise* technique, that corrects ΔL with a scattering contribution.

$$\Delta L = 10 \log_{10} \left(10^{\frac{\text{SPL}_{\text{nosscatter}}}{10}} + 10^{\frac{\text{SPL}_{\text{scatter}}}{10}} \right),$$

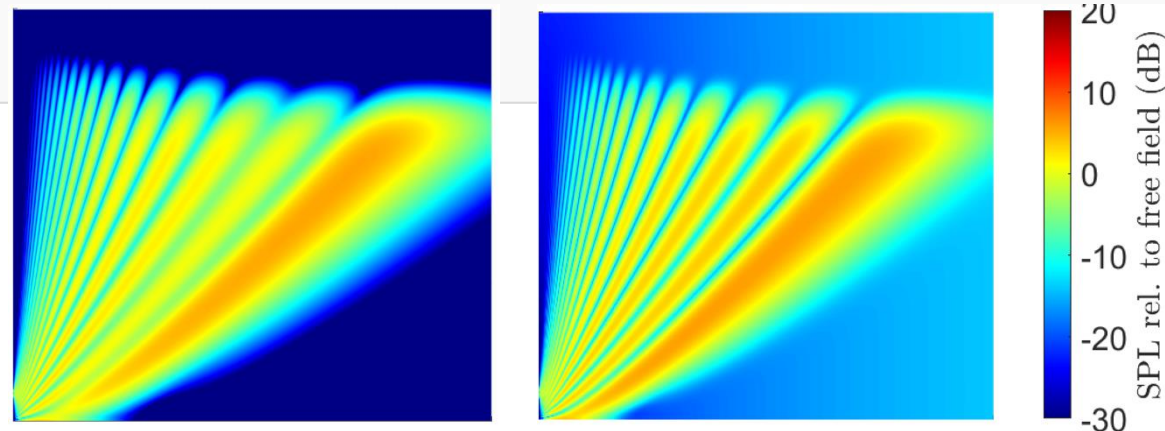
$$\text{SPL}_{\text{scatter}} = 25 + 10 \log_{10} \gamma_T + 3 \log_{10} \frac{\omega}{1000} + \log_{10} \frac{r}{100},$$

Where $\omega = 2\pi f$,

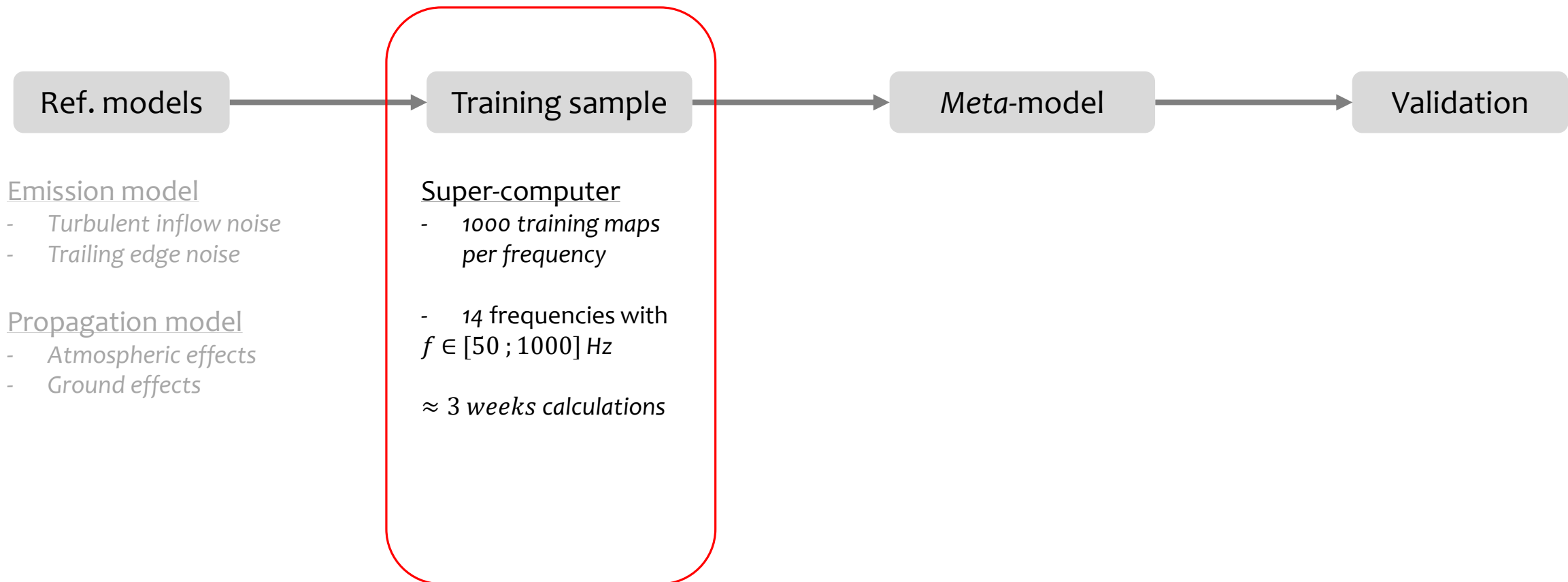
r is the source receiver distance

γ_T is the turbulence strength

Example:



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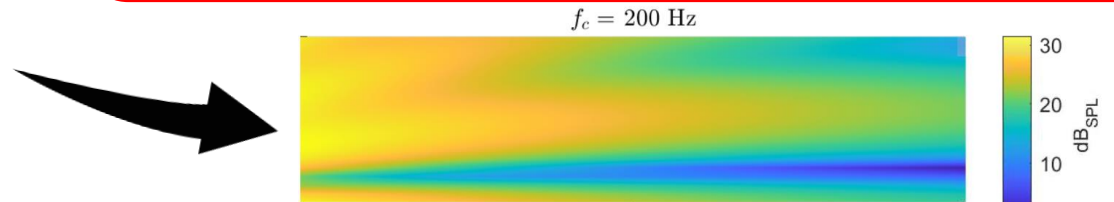
7D Space

T_0						
	a_T					
		U_{ref}				
			α			
				θ		
					γ_T	
						σ

→ 1000 x 14 maps (14/freq)

$f = 50, 63, 80, 100, 125, 160, 200, 250, 315, 400, 500, 630, 800, 1000$ Hz

Parameters	Description	Value
σ ($\text{kN}\cdot\text{s}\cdot\text{m}^{-4}$)	airflow resistivity	$\in [50; 5000]$
l_c (m)	correlation length of roughness	0.5
σ_h (m)	standard deviation of roughness	0.025
h_r (%)	air humidity	80
T_0 ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)	surface atmospheric temperature	$\in [-20; 40]$
a_T ($\text{K}\cdot\text{m}^{-1}$)	thermic coefficient	$\in [-0.5; 0.25]$
α	wind shear exponent	$\in [0.05; 0.6]$
U_{ref} ($\text{m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$)	reference wind speed	$\in [3; 13]$
θ ($^{\circ}$)	propagation angle	$\in [0; 180]$
γ_T	turbulence strength	$\in [10^{-7}; 10^{-4}]$

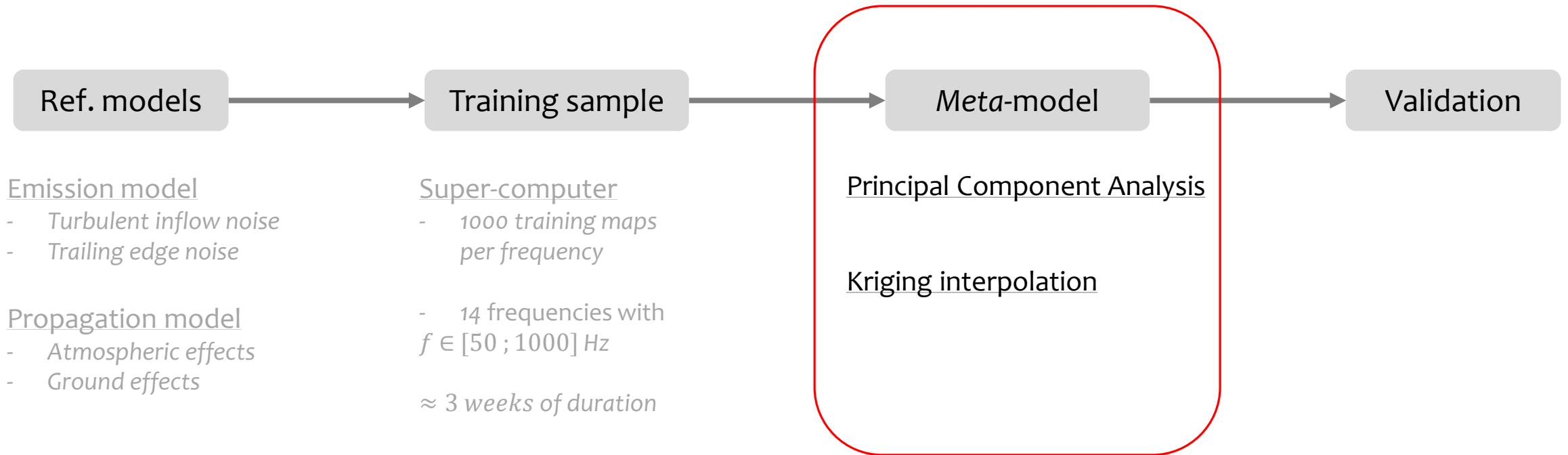


! Output is not a scalar: 1 map = 100020 receivers

⇒ Need to reduce output dimension before emulation

⇒ Express each map into reduced subspace: PCA

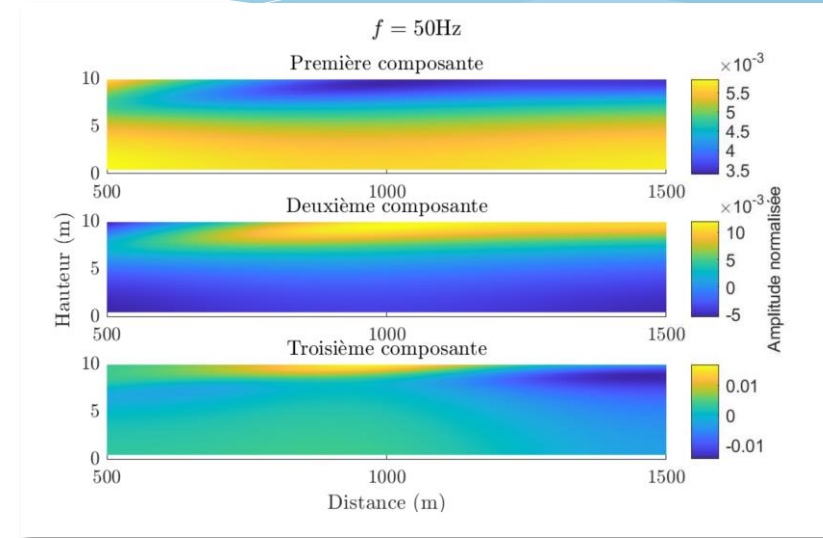
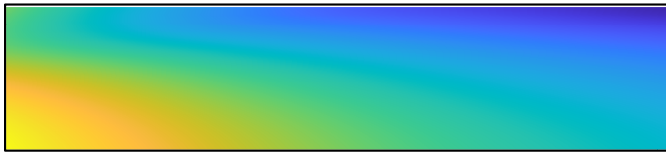
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Reduce the output dimension:

- PCA of the training sample (1000 maps).
- Each noise map y can be expressed as a sum of principal component Ψ :

$$y \in \mathbb{R}^{100020} \simeq \hat{a}_1 \Psi_1 + \hat{a}_2 \Psi_2 + \dots + \hat{a}_{15} \Psi_{15}$$



Ψ_1

Ψ_2

Ψ_3

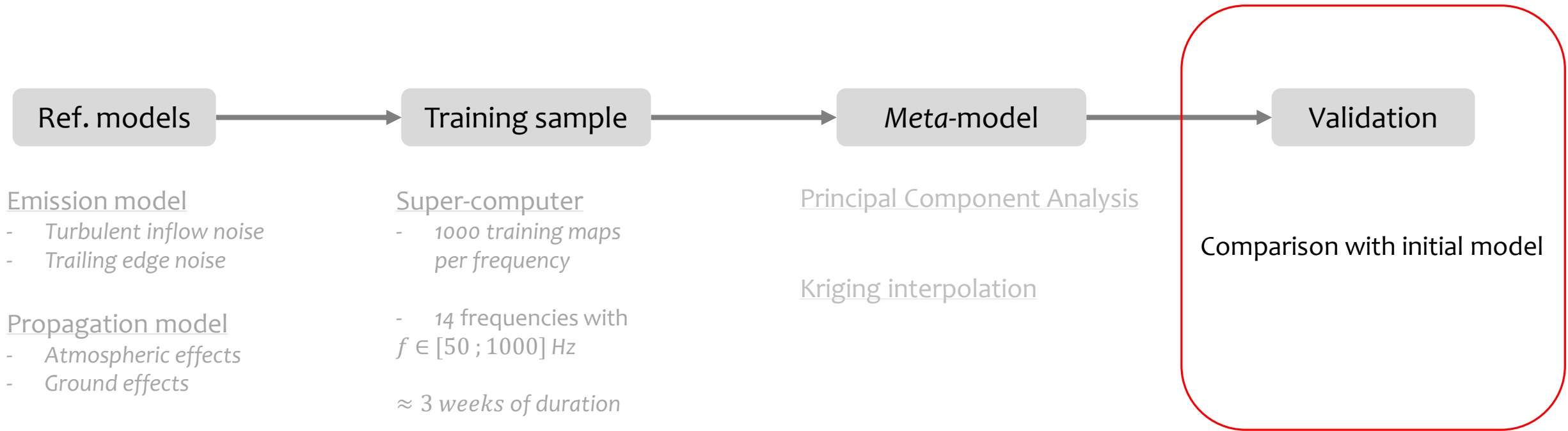
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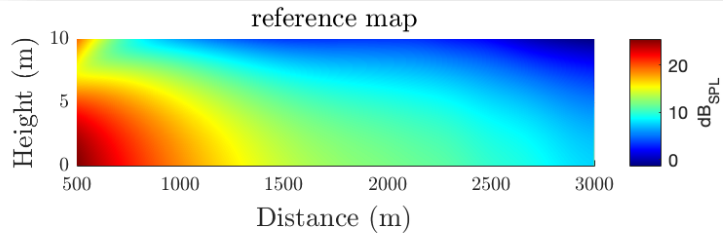
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Fast interpolation:

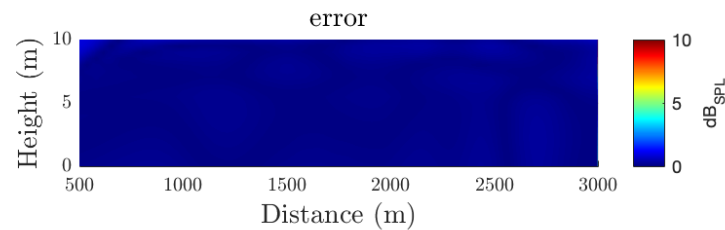
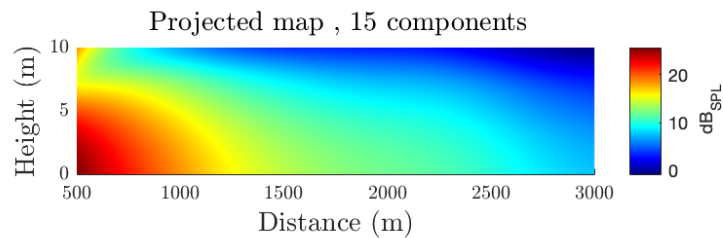
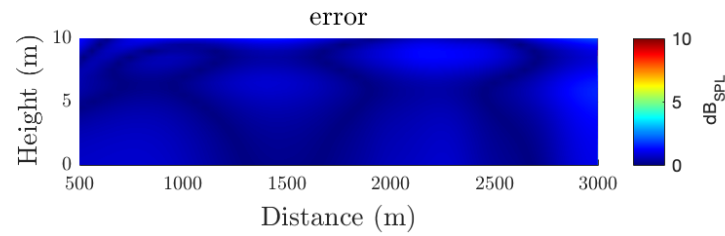
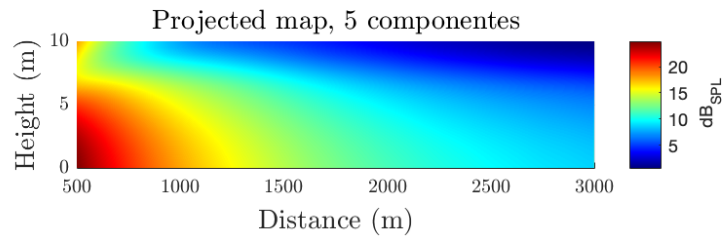
- For each new simulation, we only need to compute the weights \hat{a}_n
- We use kriging interpolation technique to do so.

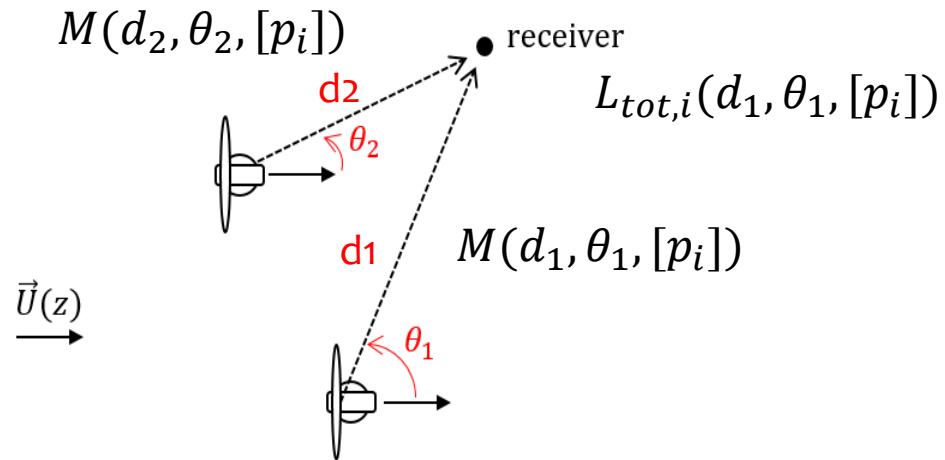
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Example at $f = 50$ Hz, for a random set of input parameters





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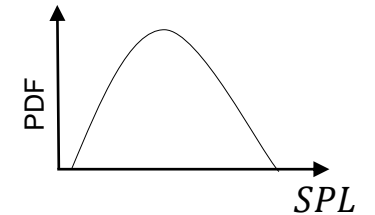
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- Online free app (R shiny)

Input parameters

Receiver height [m]: 0.5 10

Wind speed U_{ref} [m/s]: 3 13

Wind direction [°]: 0 360

Shear factor α [m/s]: 0.05 0.6

Atmospheric turbulence γ_T : 1e-7 0.0001

Temperature T_0 [°C]: -20 40

Temp Gradient T_{log} [°C.m⁻¹]: -0.5 0.25

Ground absorption σ [kN.s.m⁻⁴]: 50 5,000

Wind farm geometry

Coordinates type GPS Cartesian

Receiver GPS Latitude Longitude

GPS Coordinates File input

Turbine GPS Latitudes Longitudes

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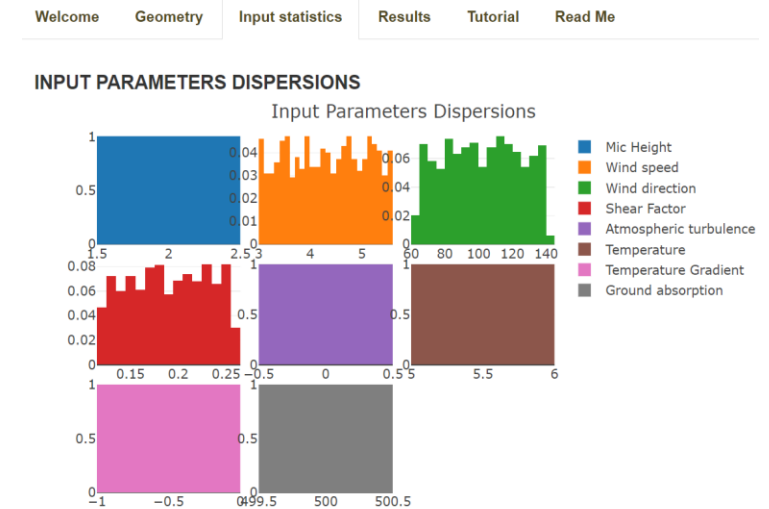
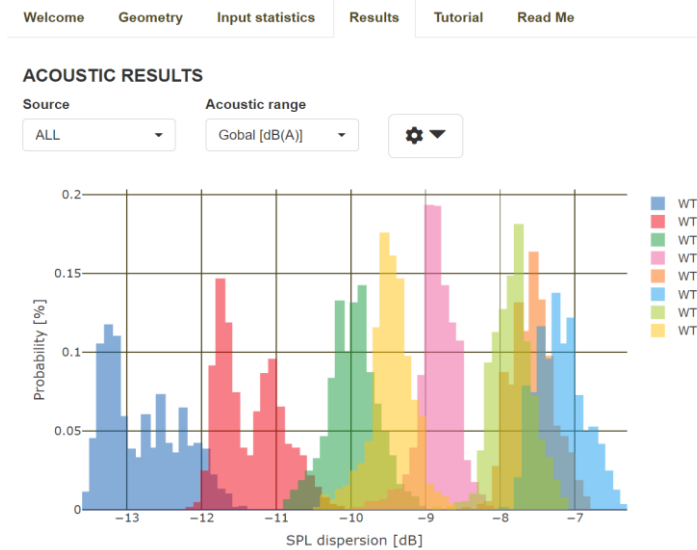
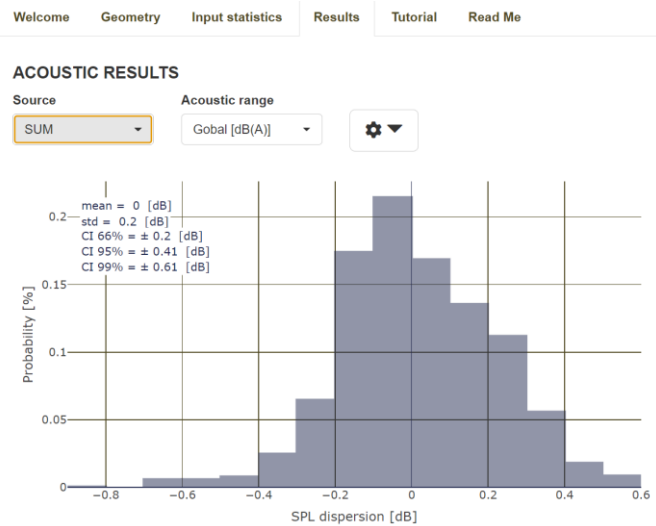
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WIND FARM GEOMETRY

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- Outputs
 - Sound level distributions



- Statistics properties (mean, st deviation, CI...)

- Validation against field measurements
 - Experimental data: 400 days long-term campaign [Ecotière *et al*, Internoise 2022]
-> Forum Acusticum 2024, Torino [Bianchetti *et al*, Forum Acusticum 2023]

- WindTUNE online (free access) at the beginning of 2024
 - anr-pibe.com/projet/productions
 - umrae.fr/productions/logiciels-applications-et-methodes-de-calcul

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