

A graph-structured distance for heterogeneous datasets with meta variables

Advancing Toward Architecture Modeling

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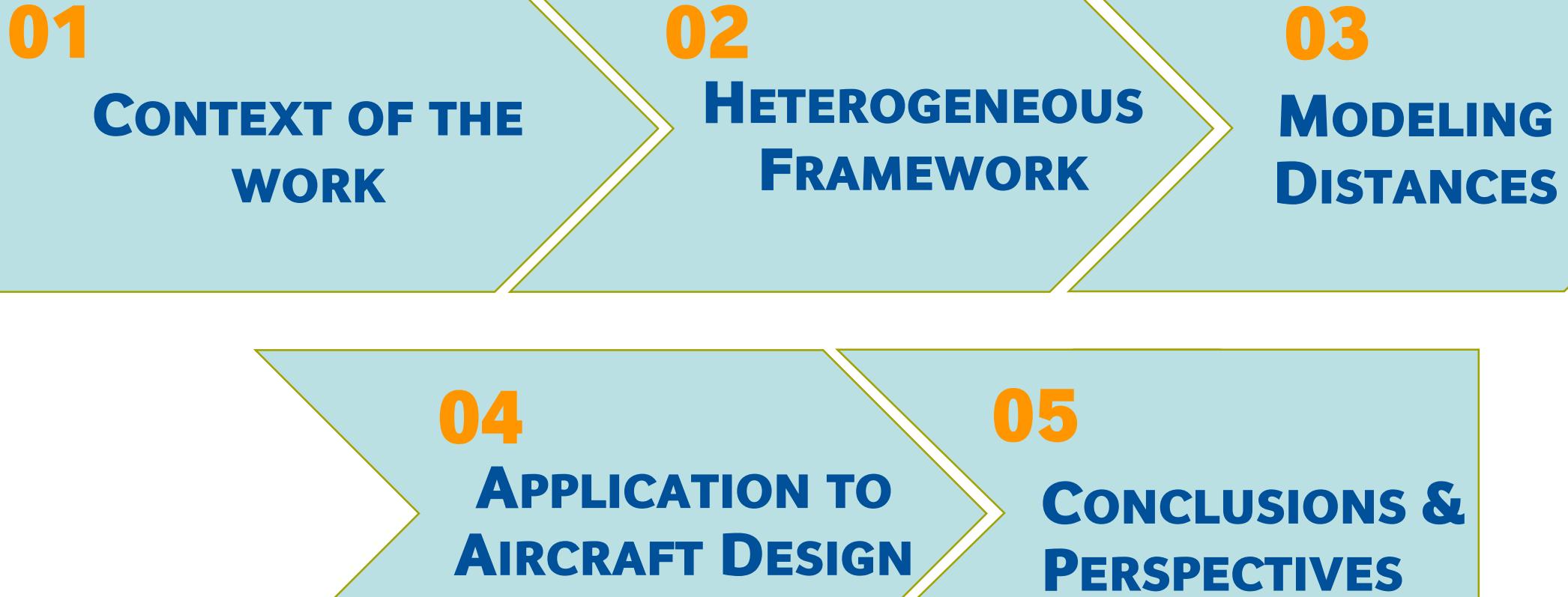
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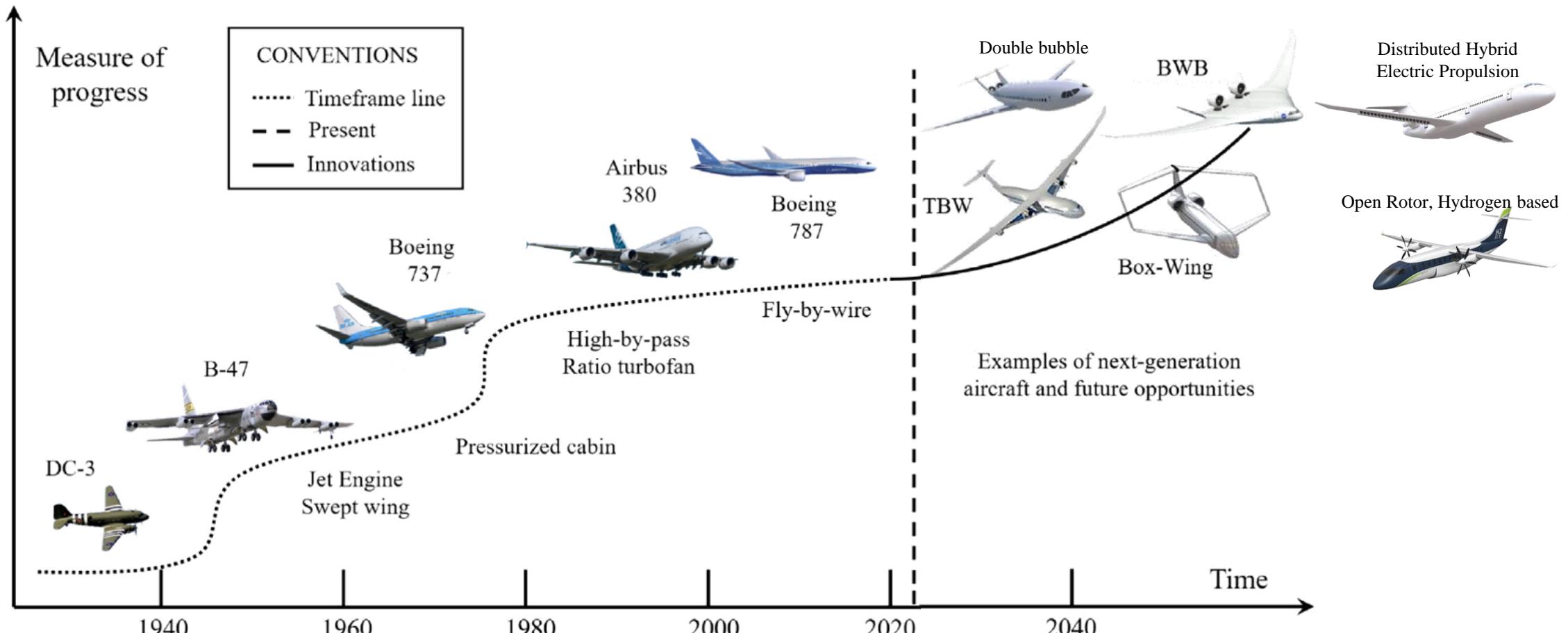
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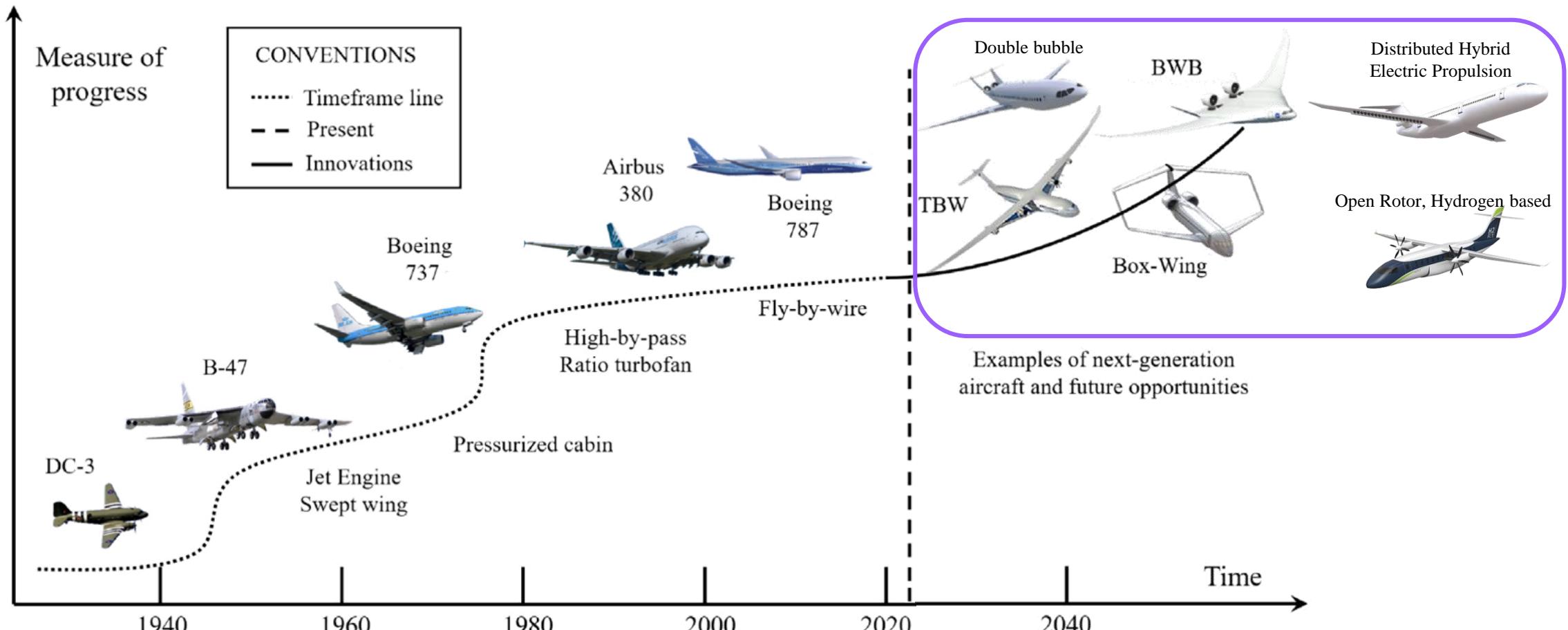
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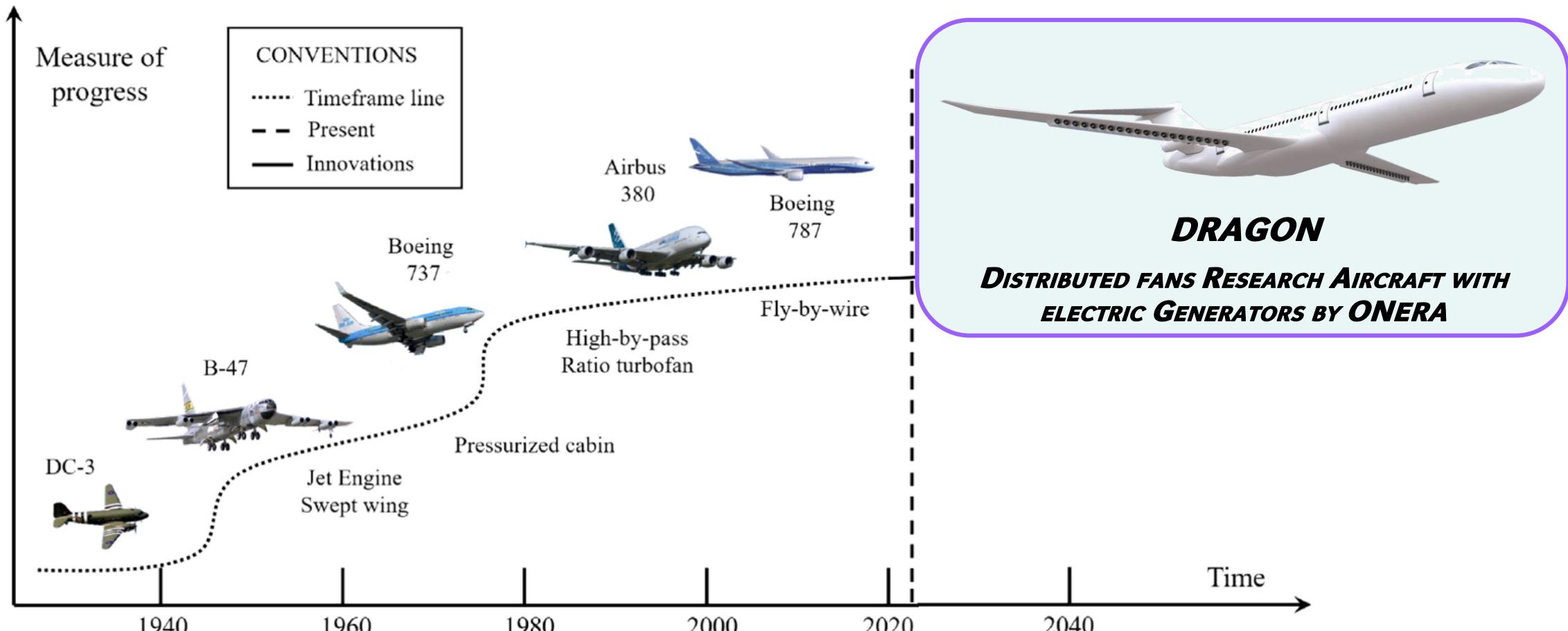
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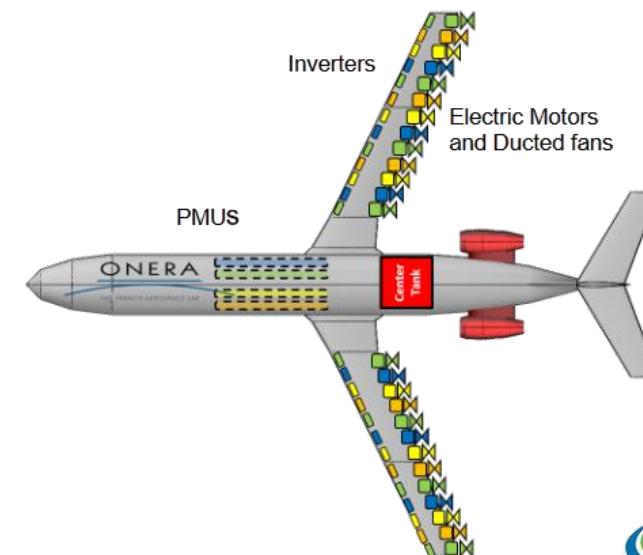
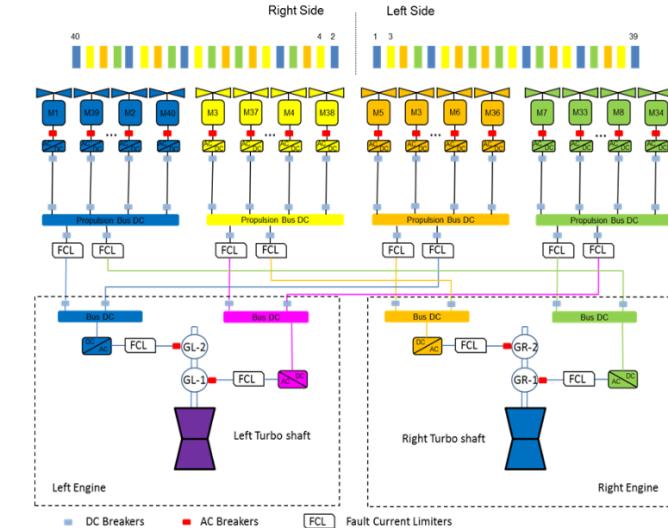
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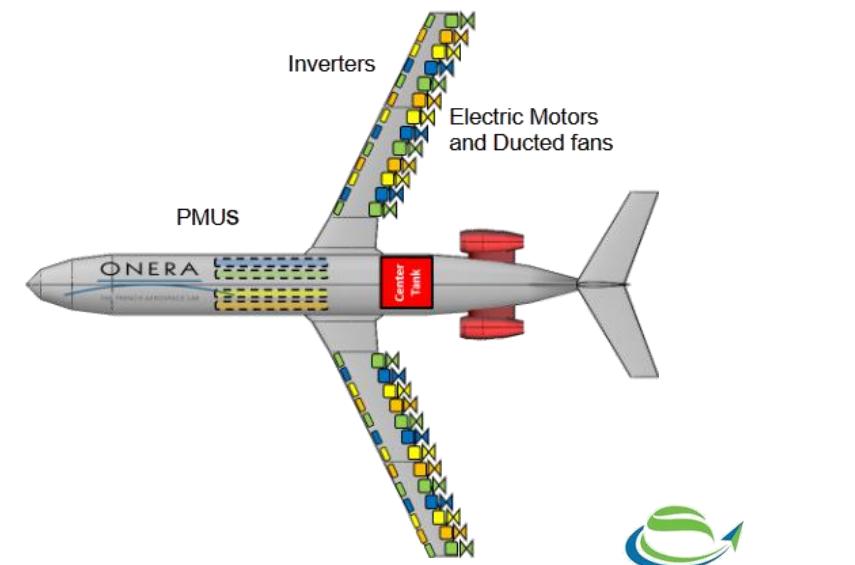
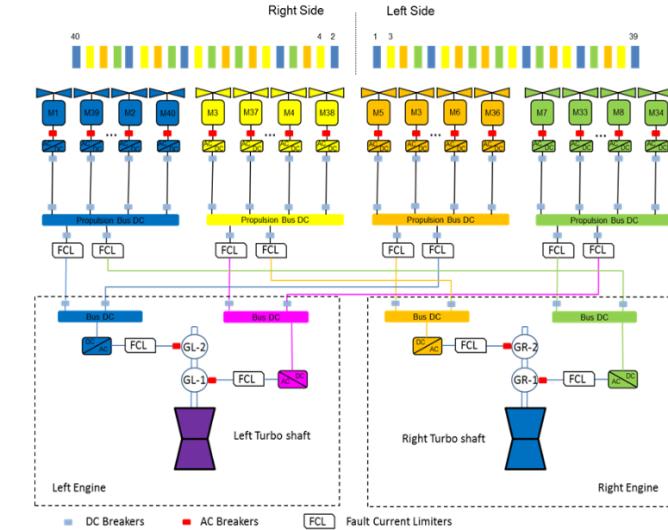


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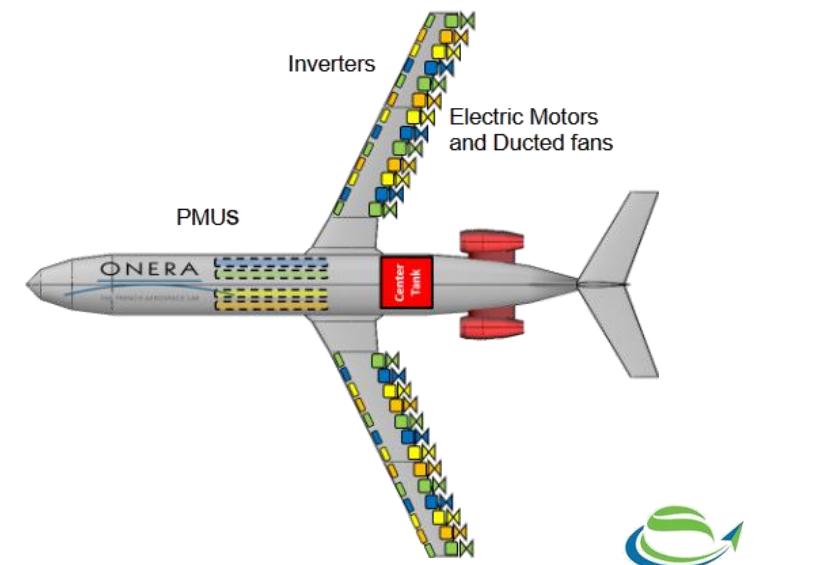
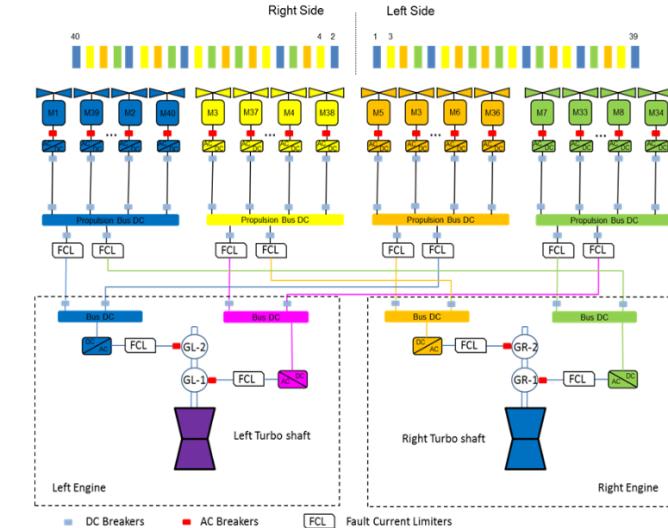
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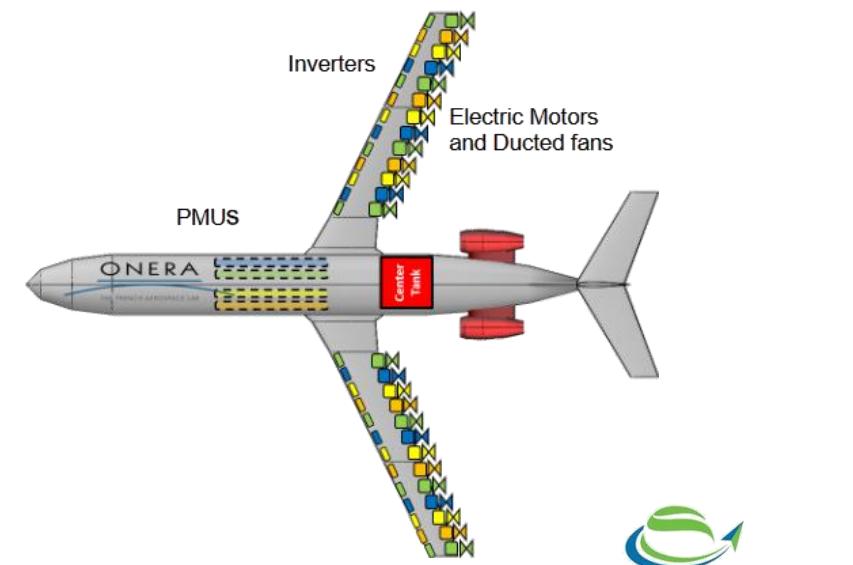
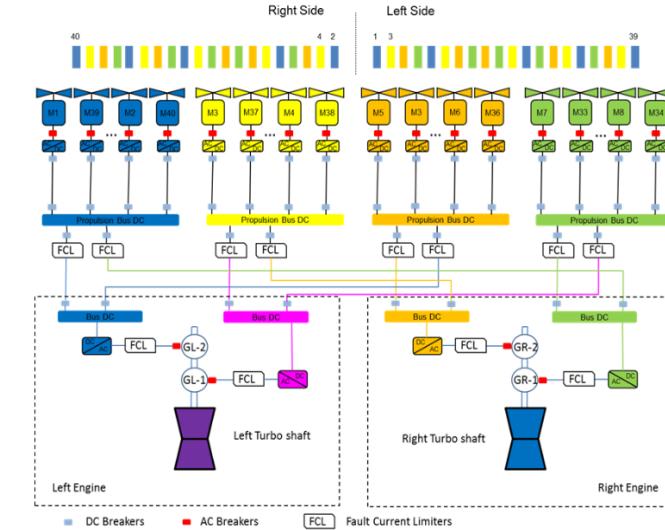
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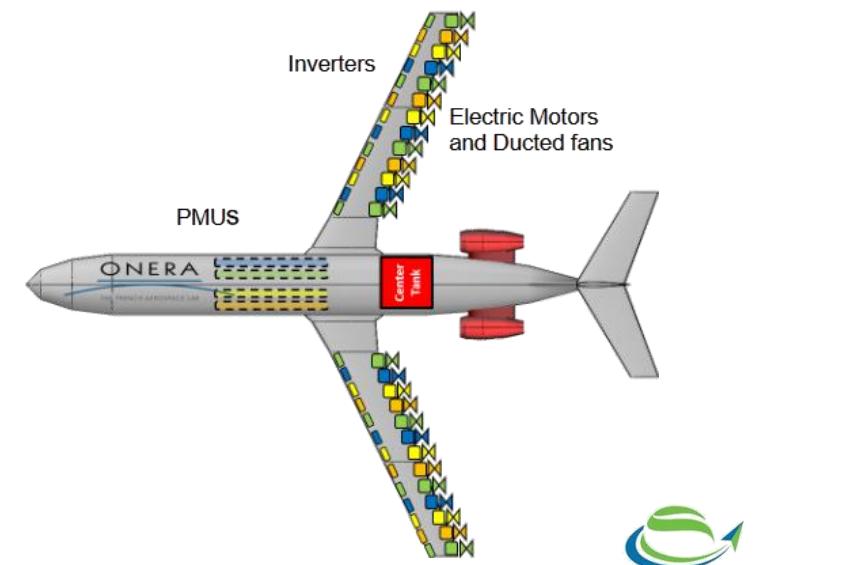
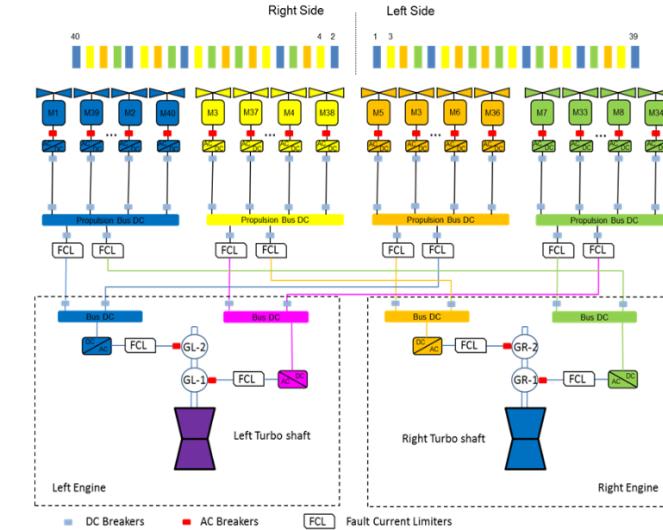
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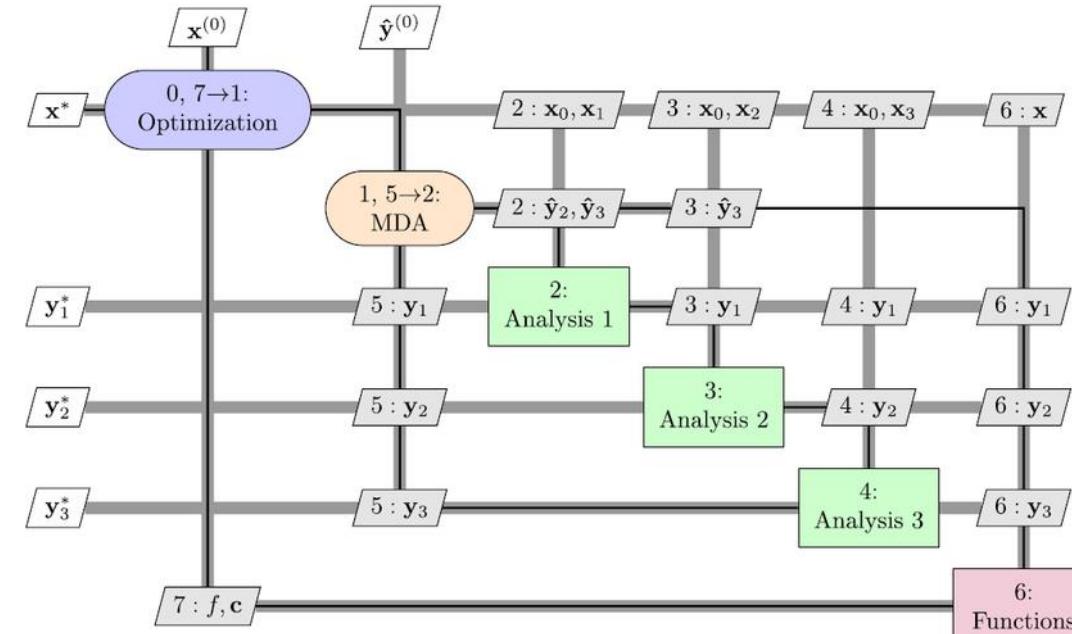
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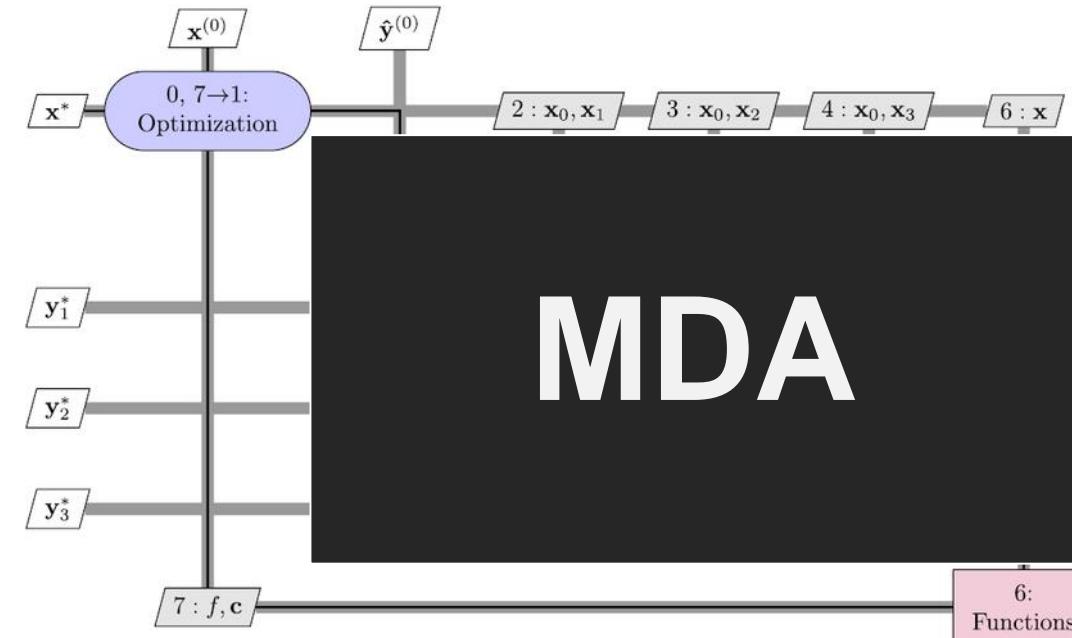
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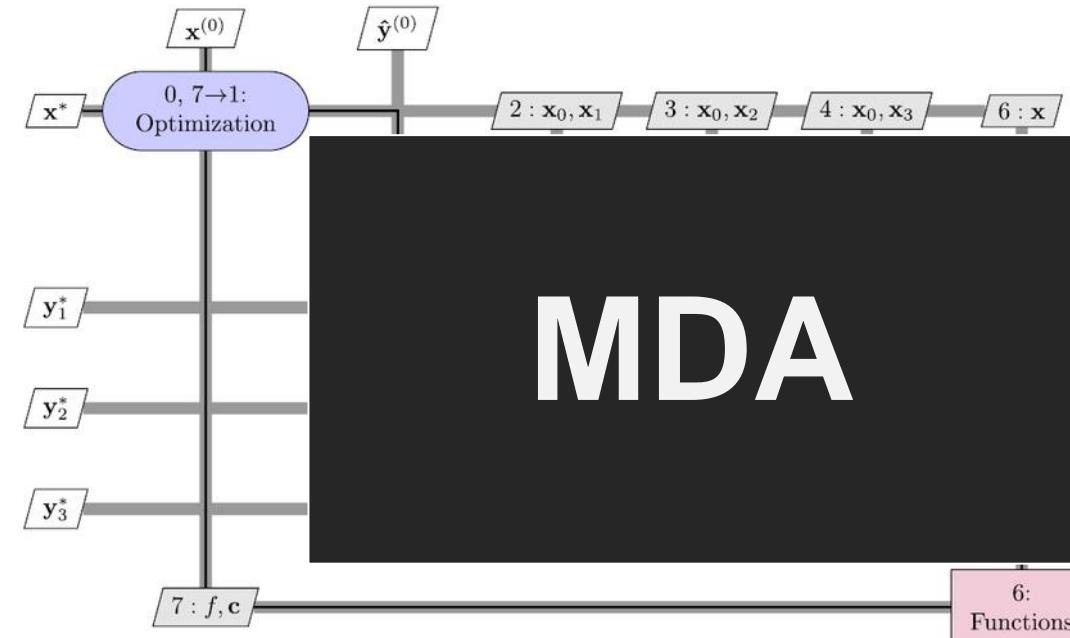
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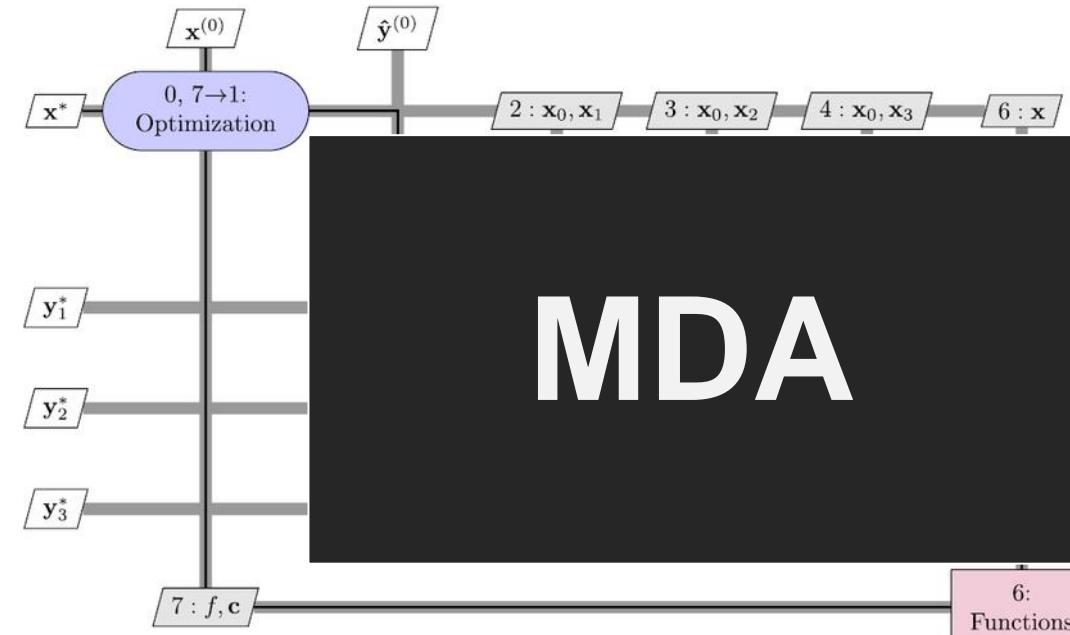
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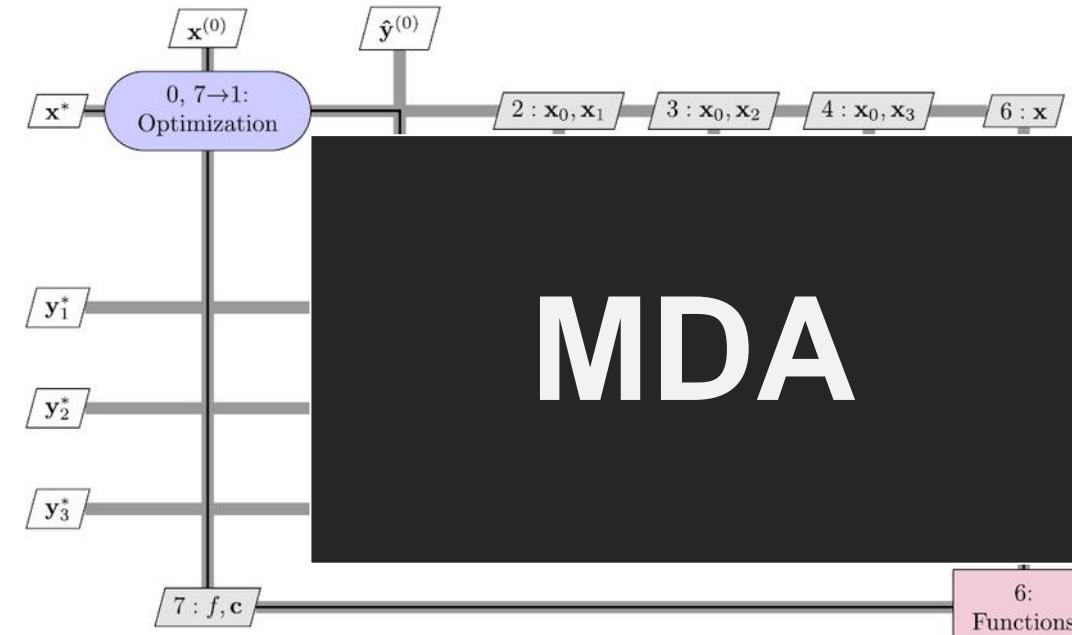
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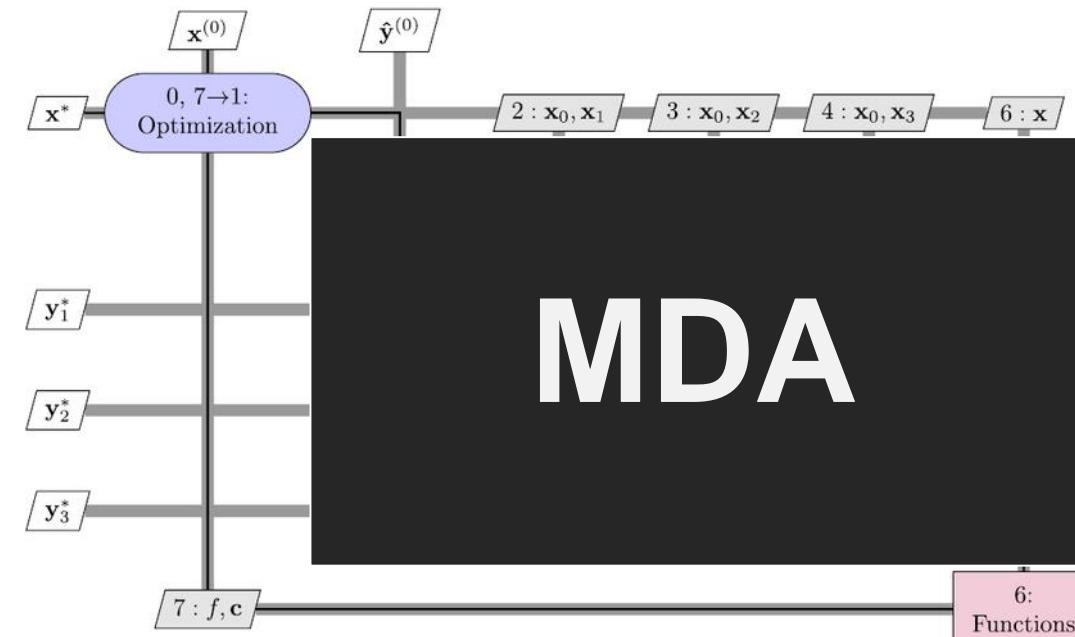
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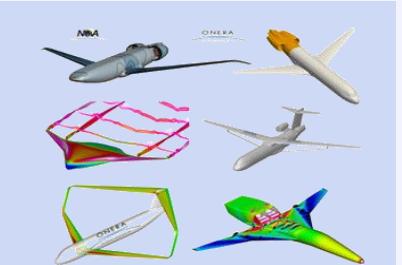
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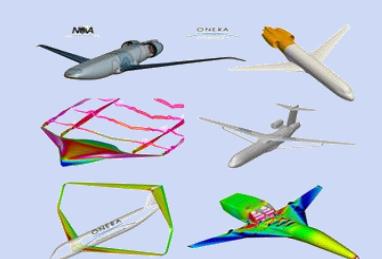
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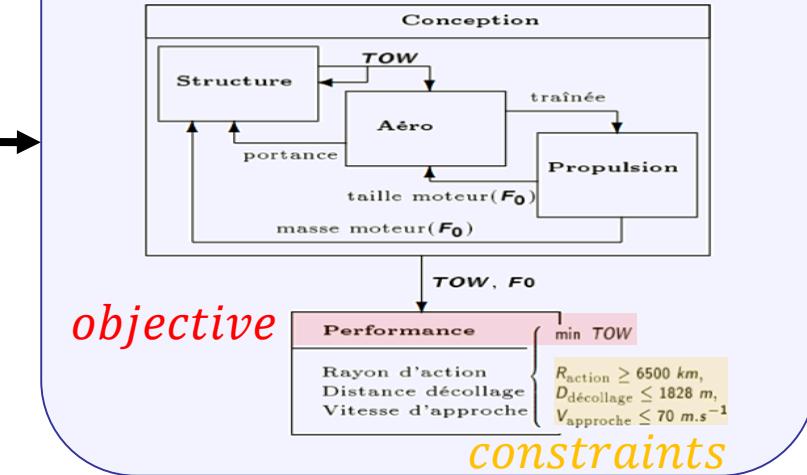
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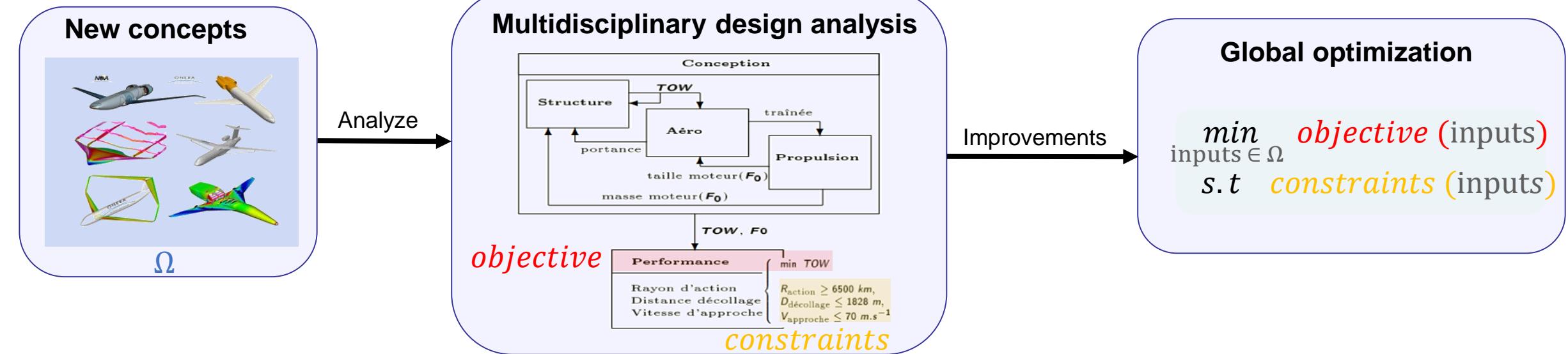
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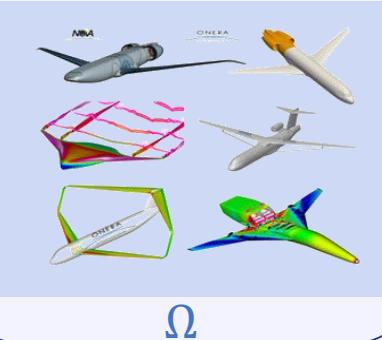


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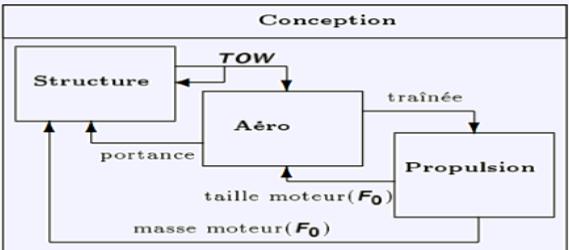
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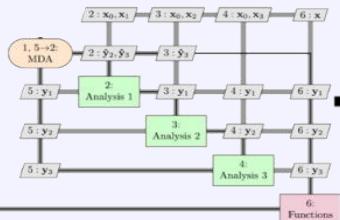
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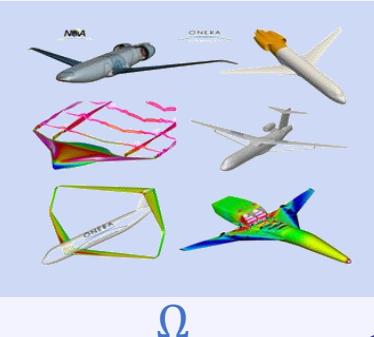
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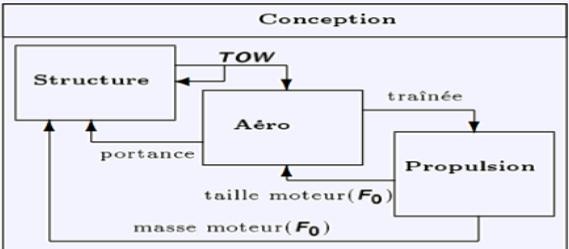
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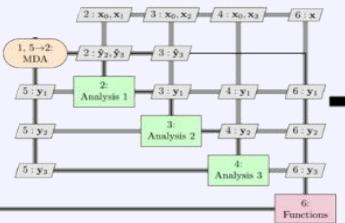
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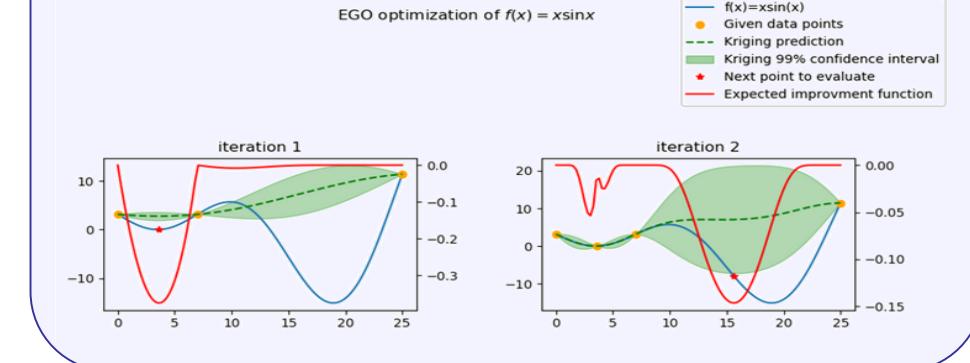


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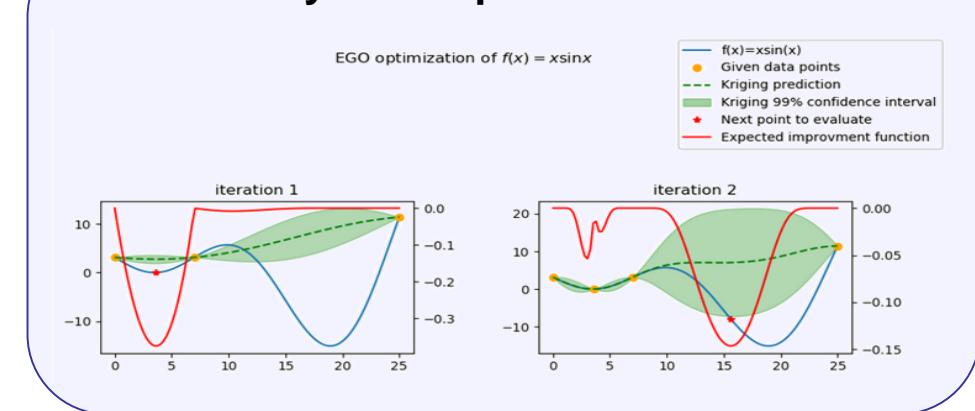
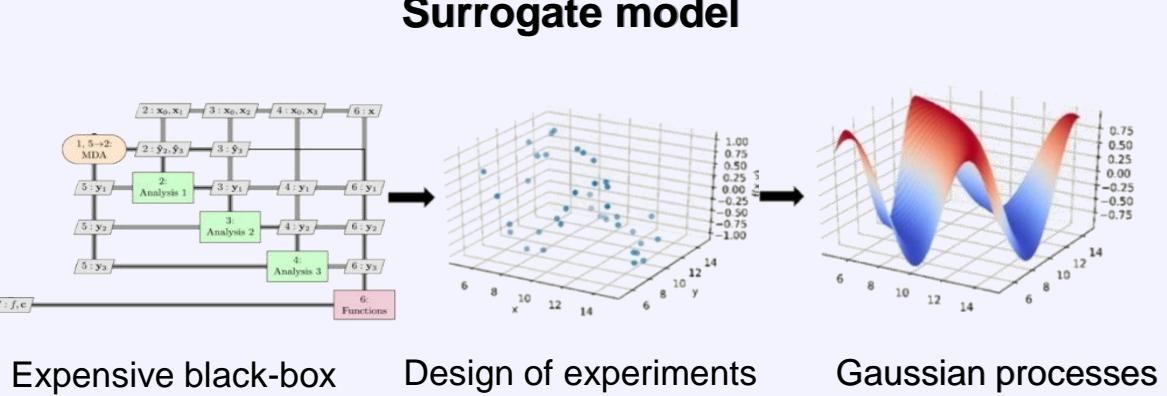
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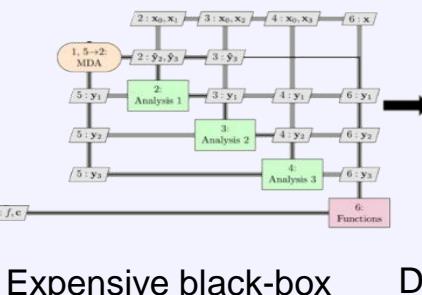
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Need for Gaussian process to handle:

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- A high number of variables
- Hierarchical variables

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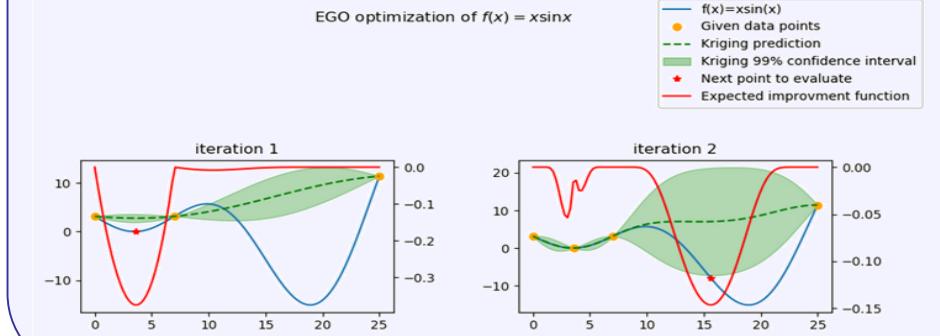
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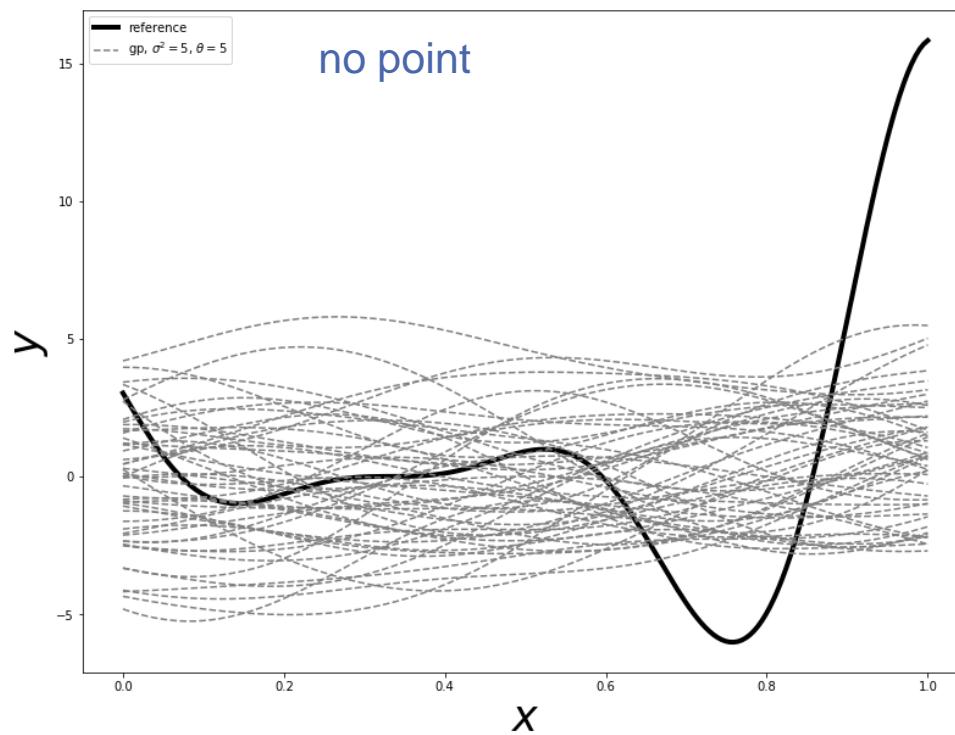
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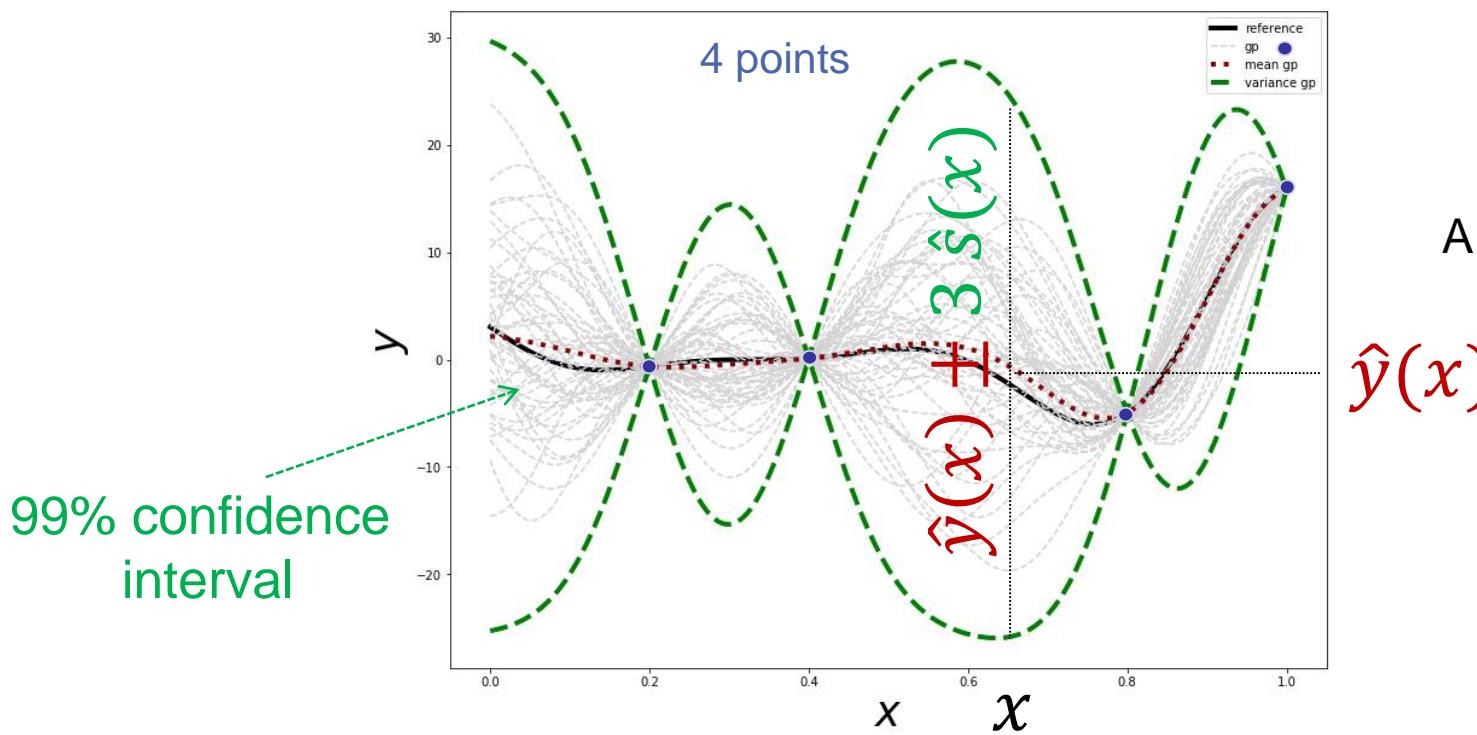
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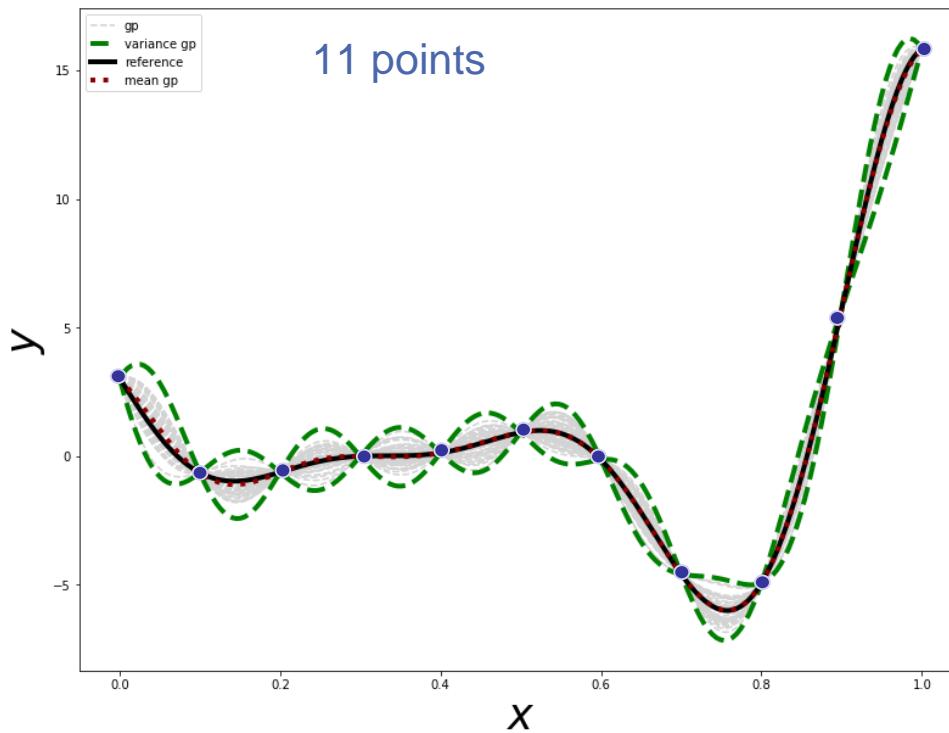
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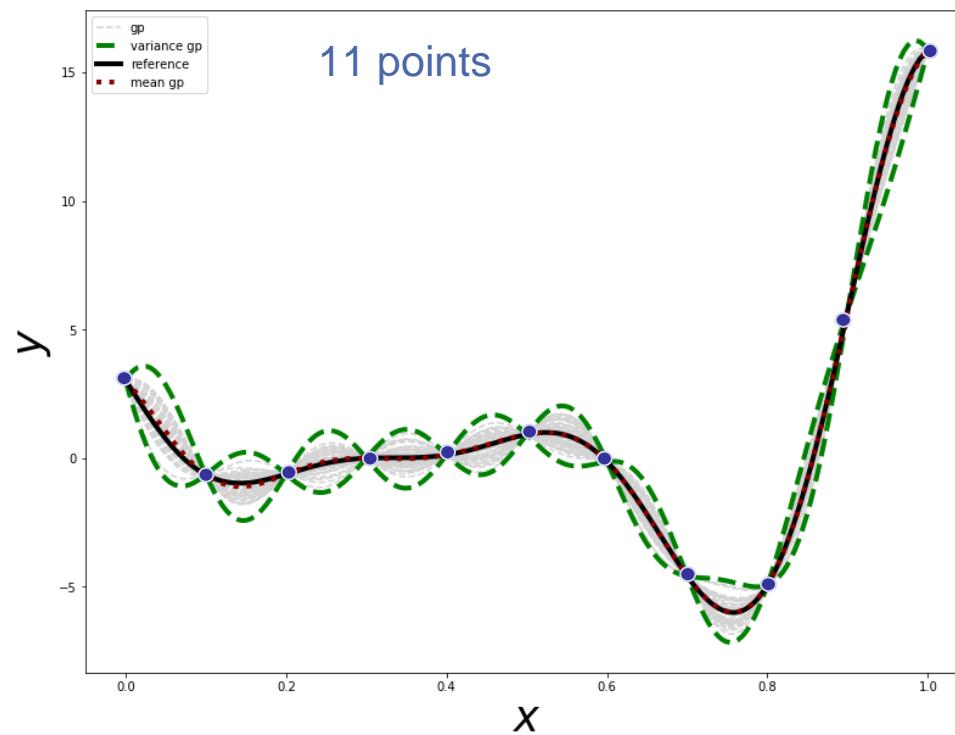
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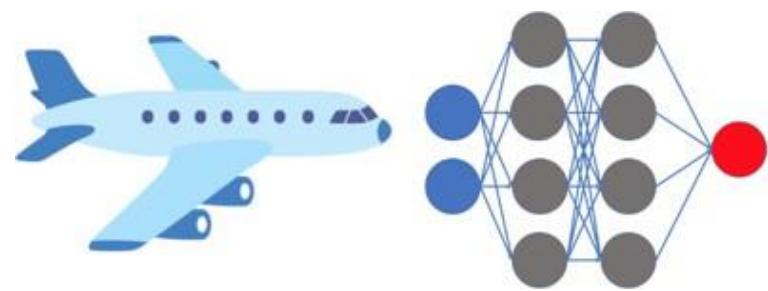
- Need a hierarchical distance
 $k(x^p, x^q) = f[d_{hier}(\theta, x^p, x^q)]$

- Estimation of hyperparameters
 $\theta_i, i = 1, \dots, n$ by MLE

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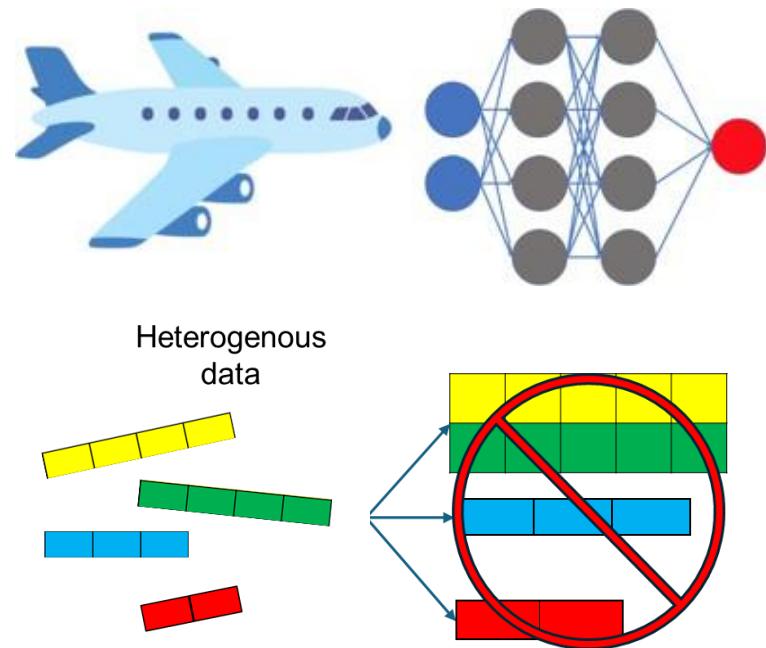
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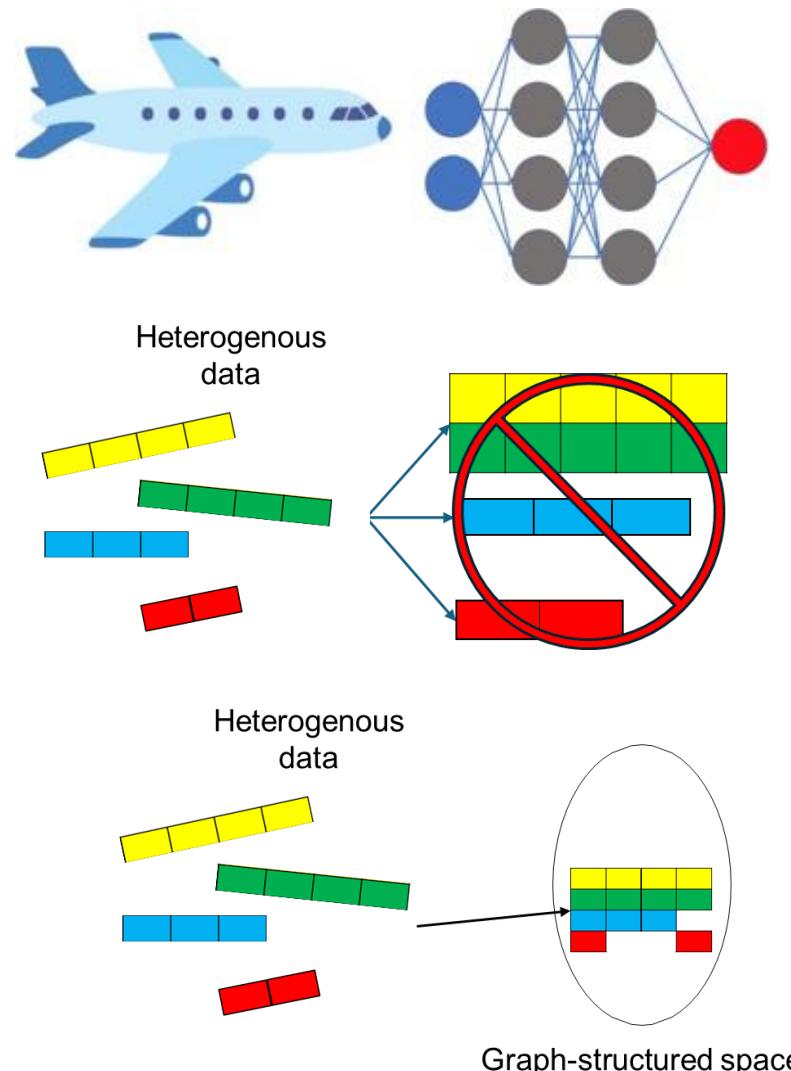
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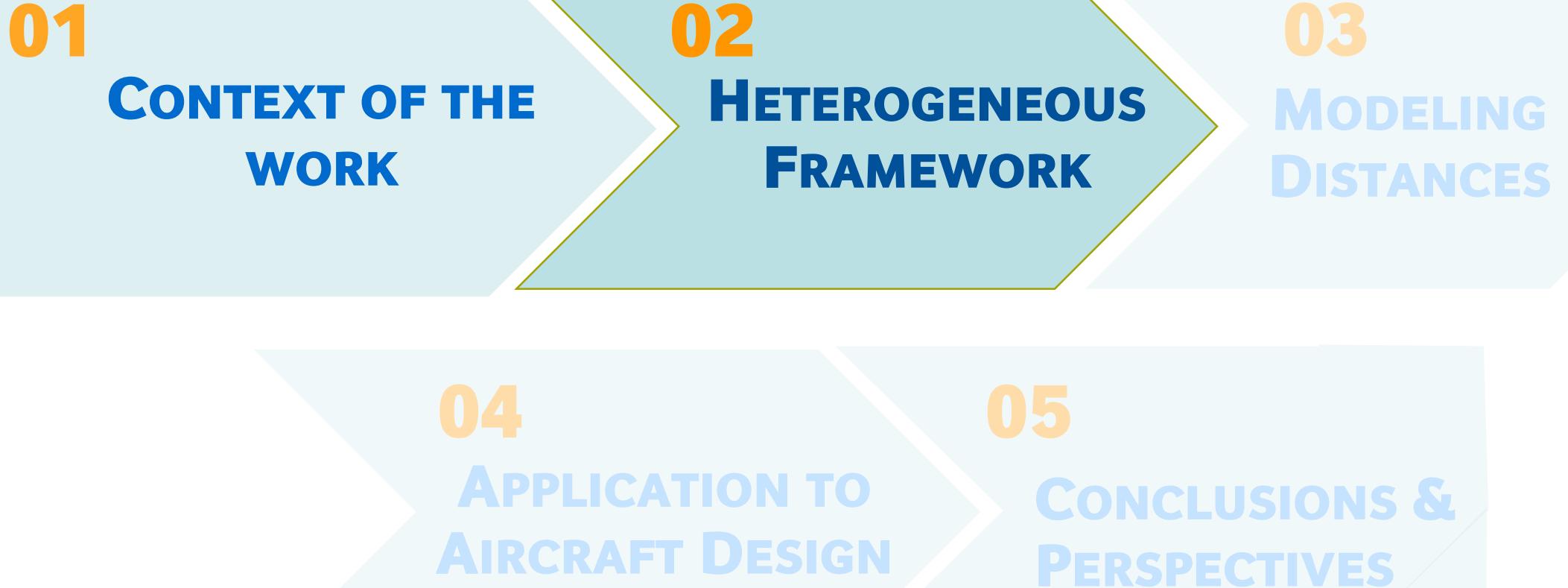
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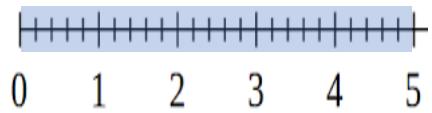


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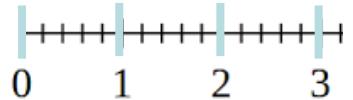
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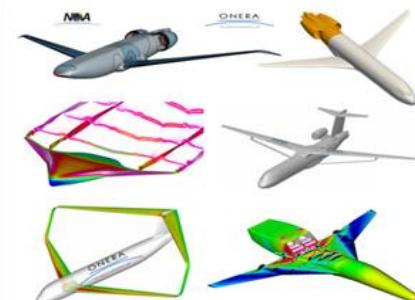
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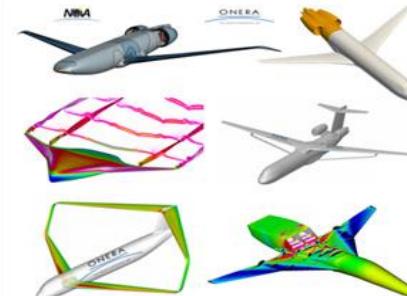
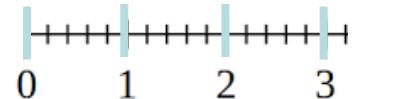
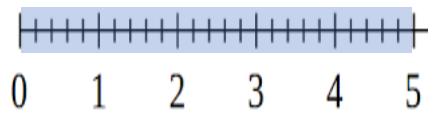


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Levels(u2)= blue, red

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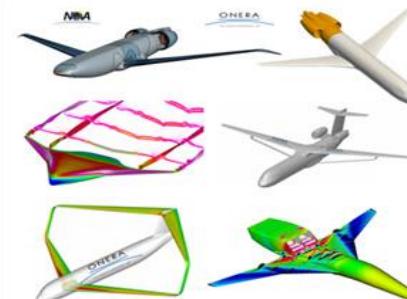
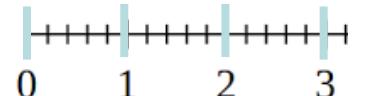
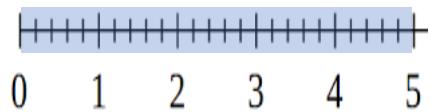
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6 possibilities

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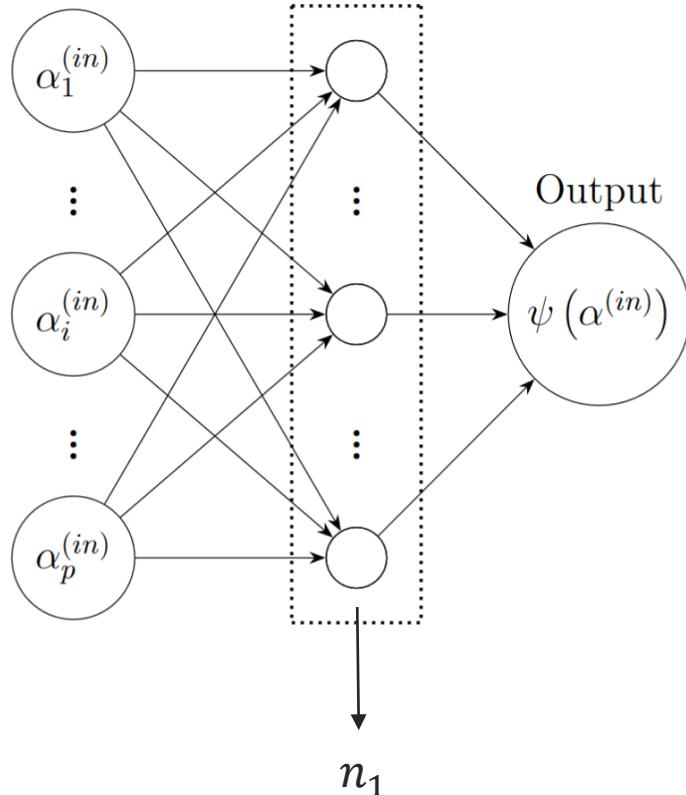
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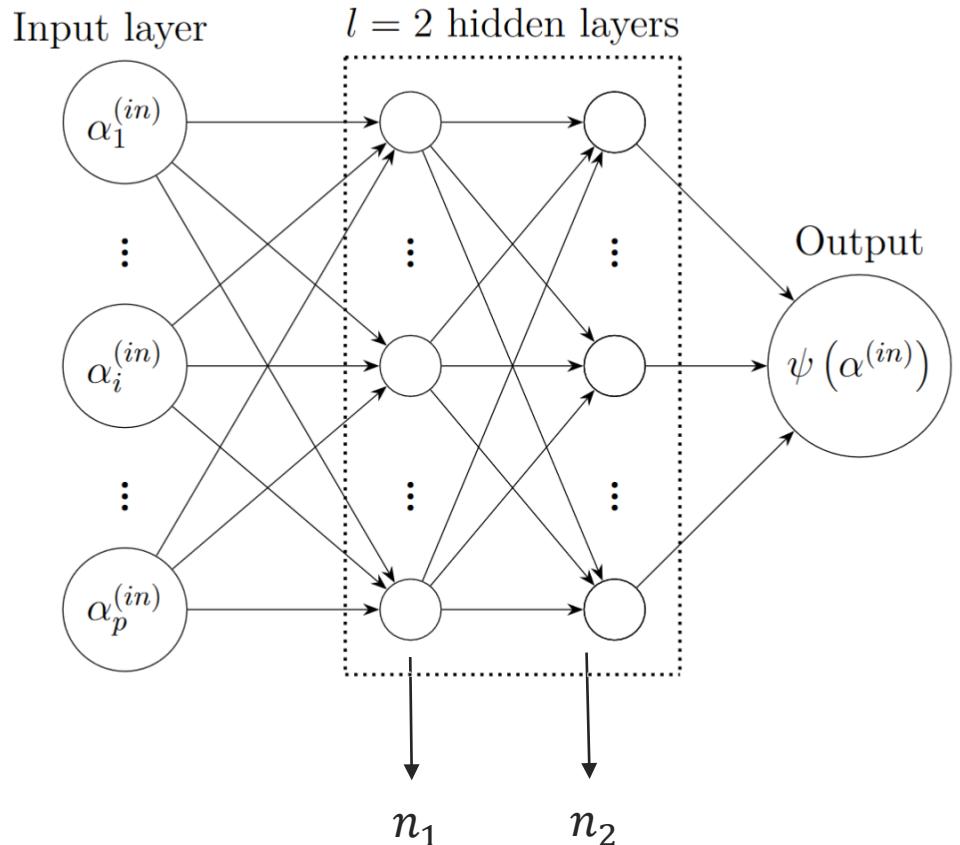
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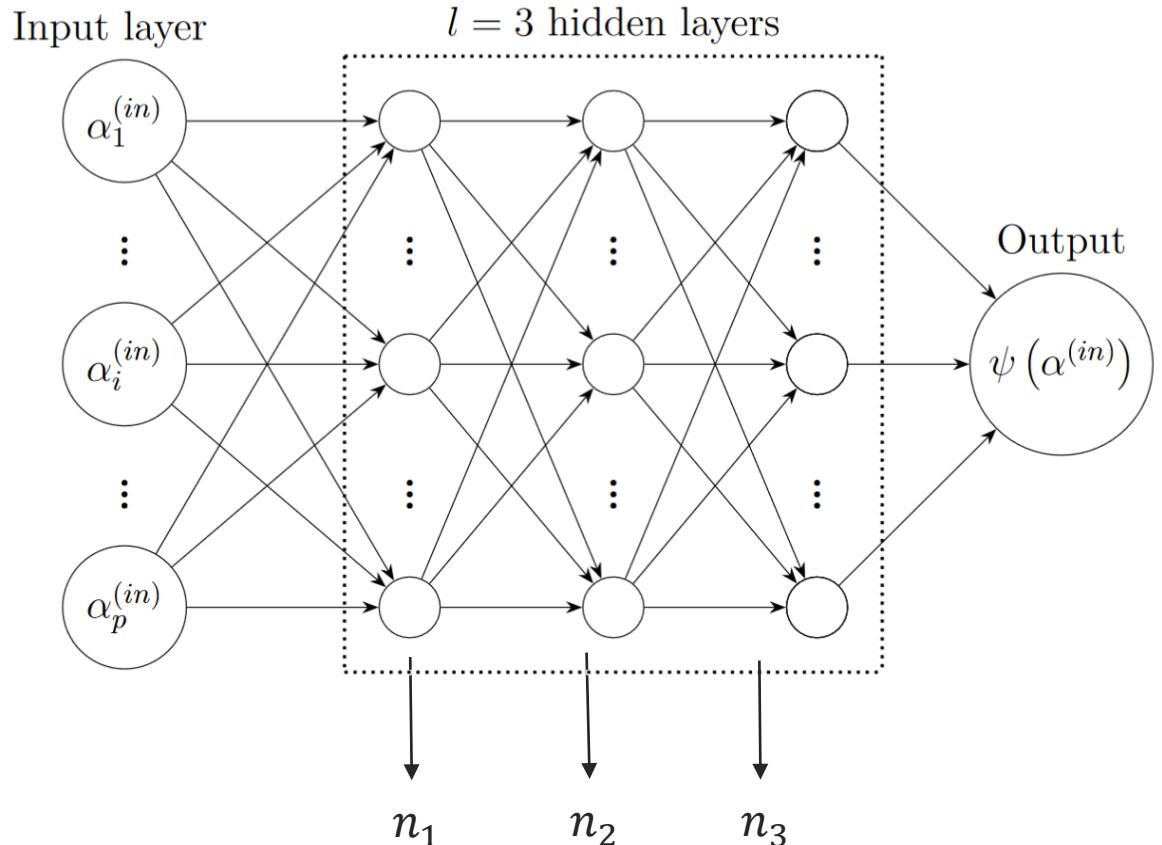
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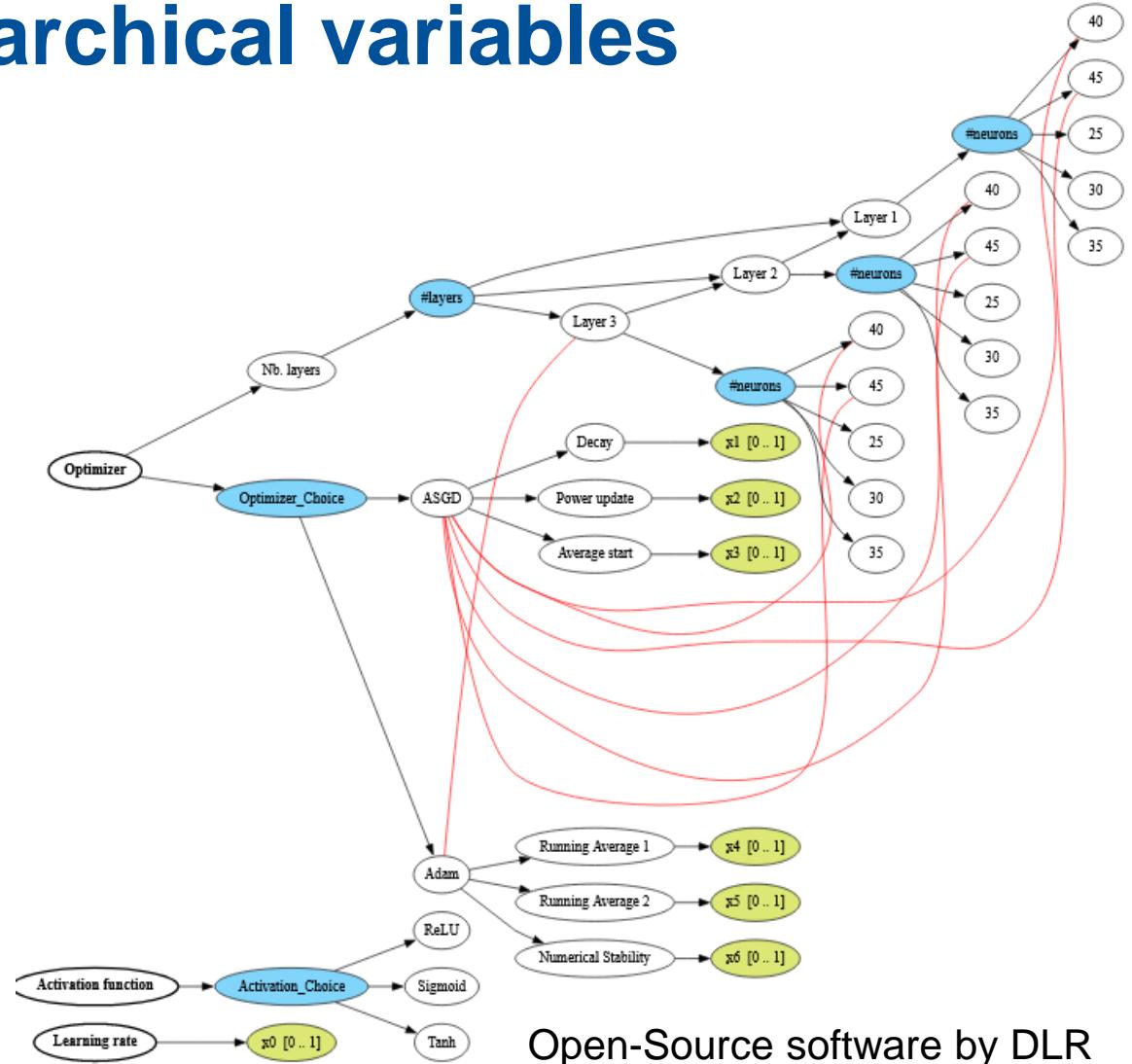
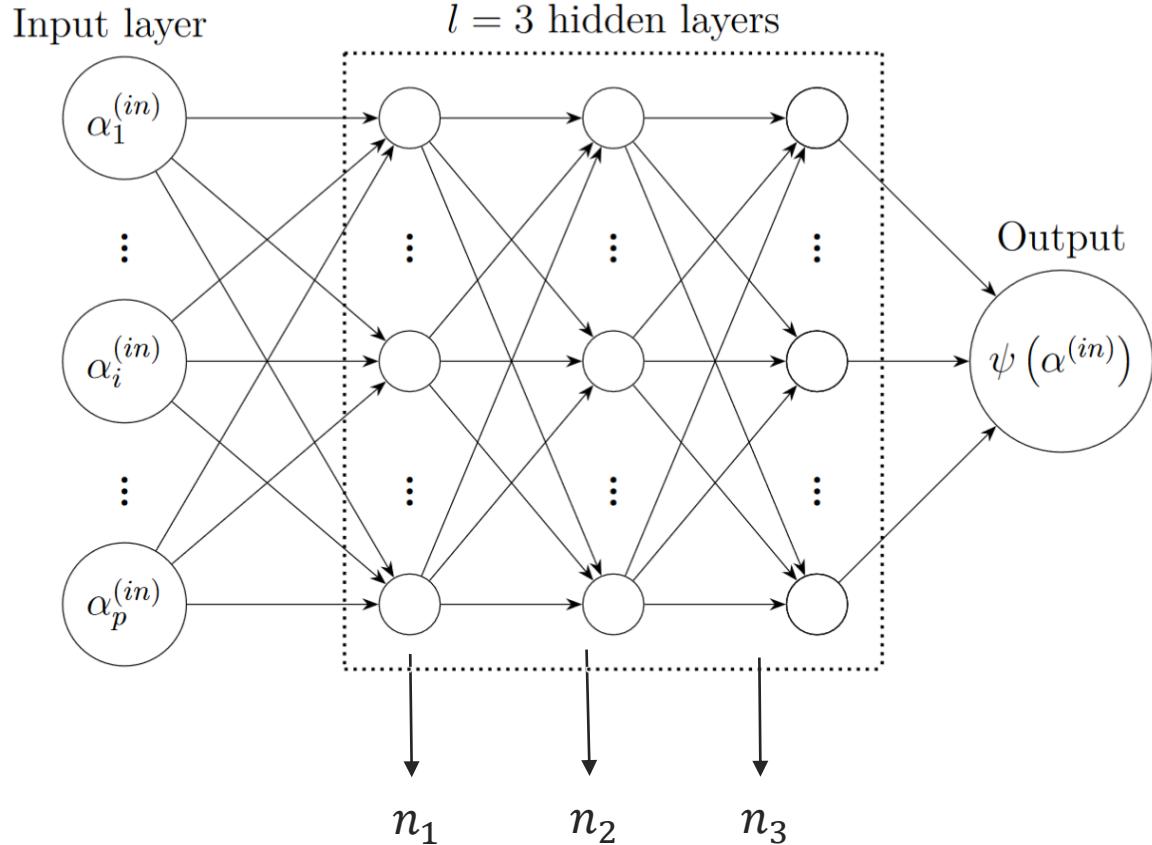
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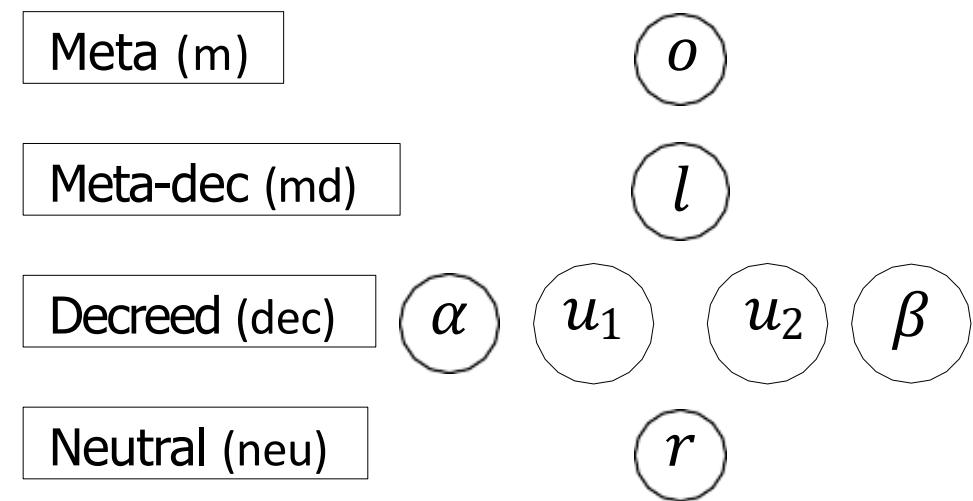
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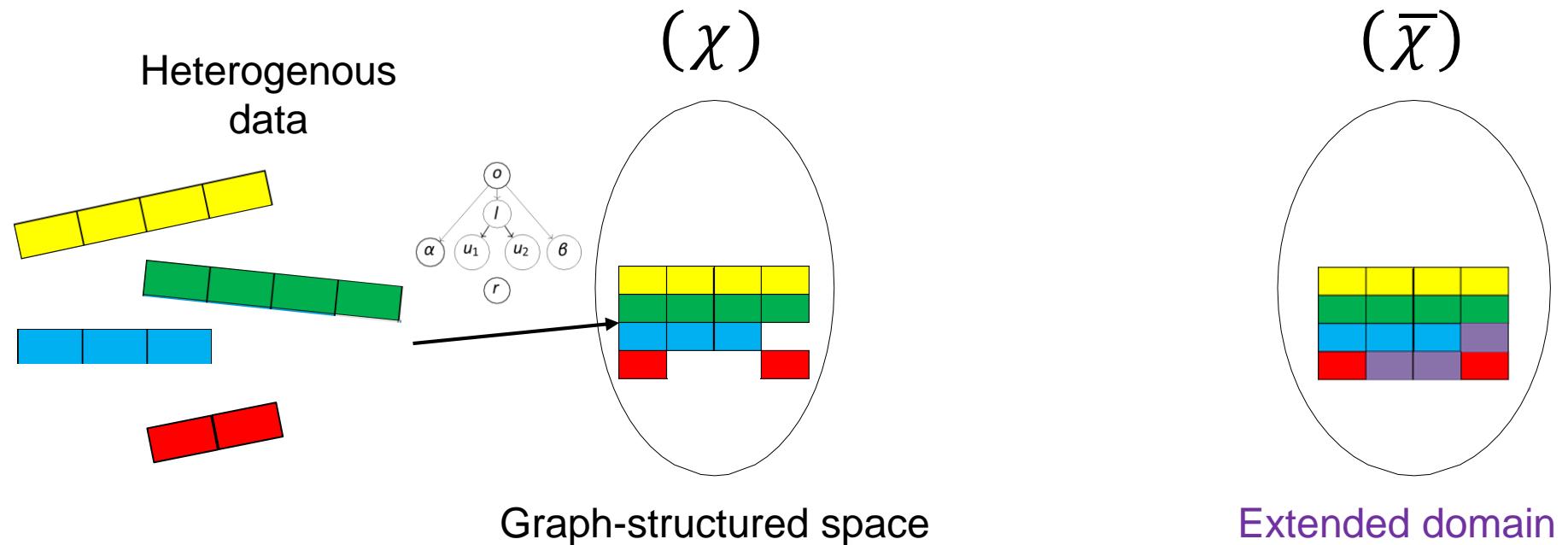
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Optimizer (o)	{ASGD, ADAM}	Cat
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Update (α)	(0, 1)	Cont
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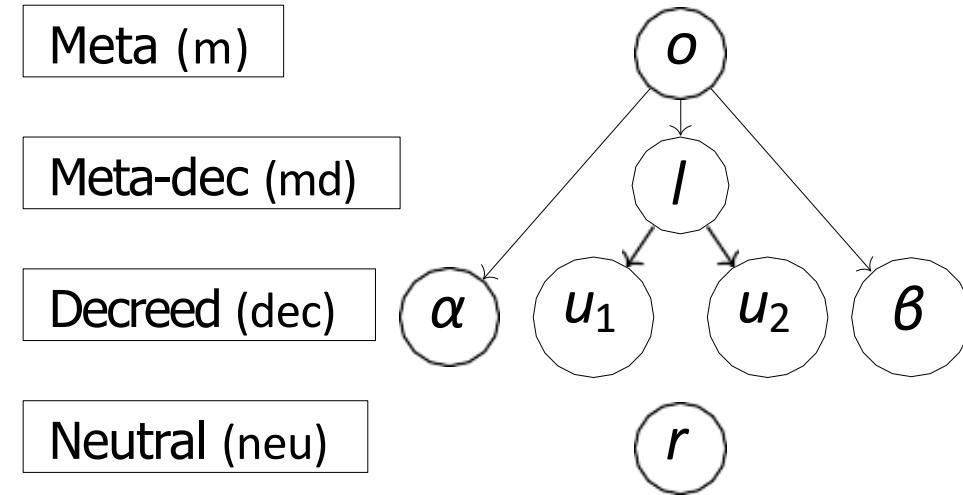
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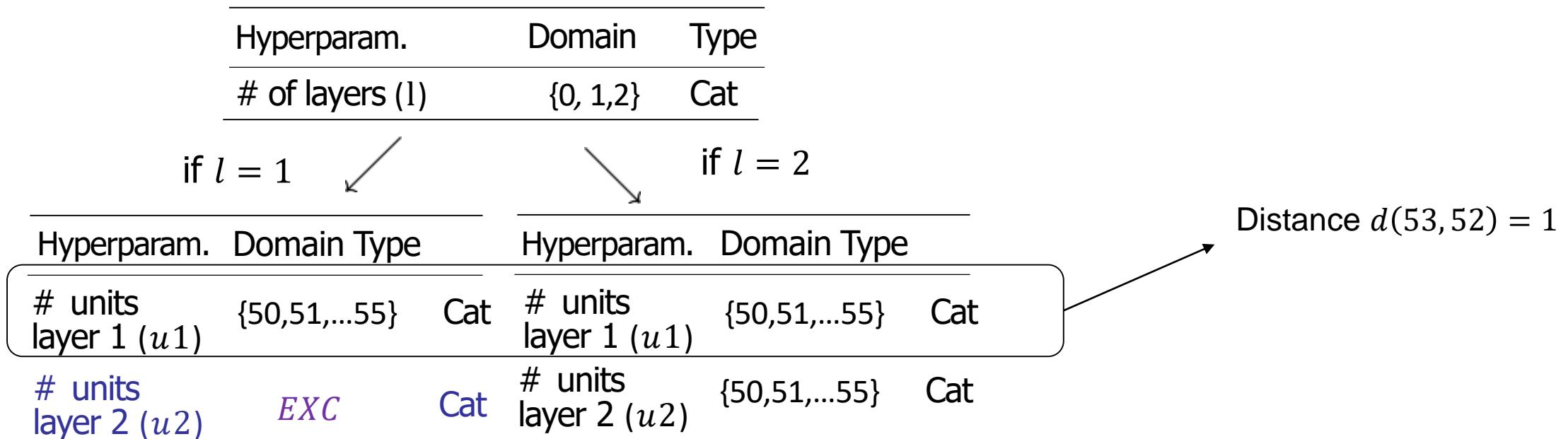
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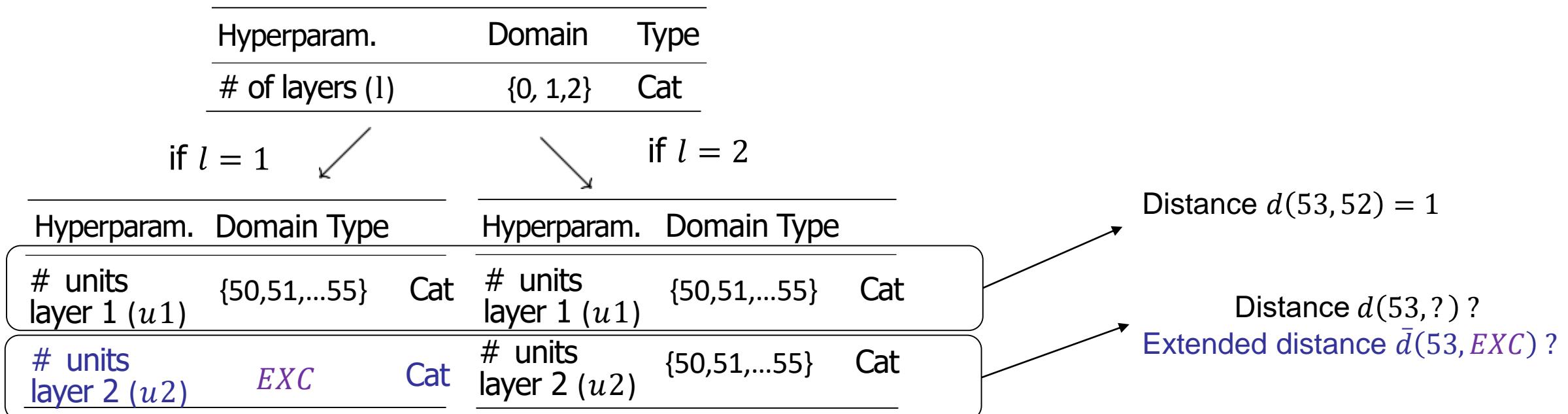
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# Graph-structured distance

## Theorem 1 (Graph-structured distance)

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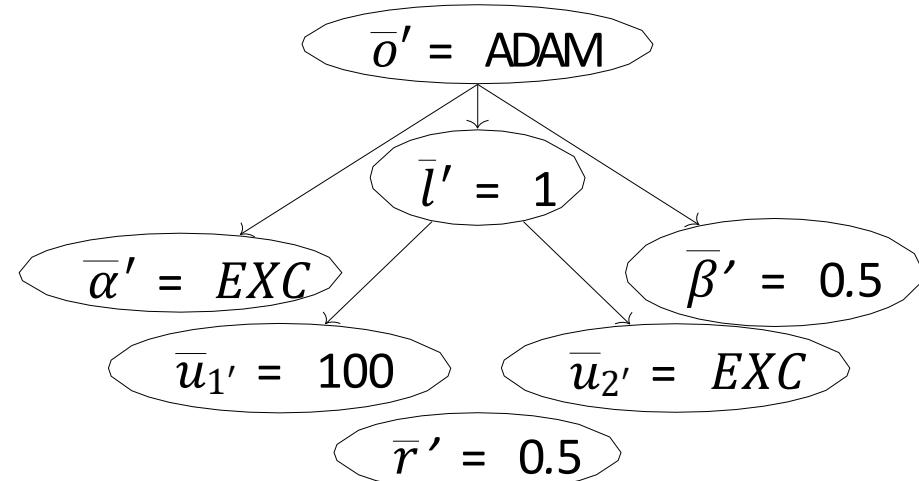
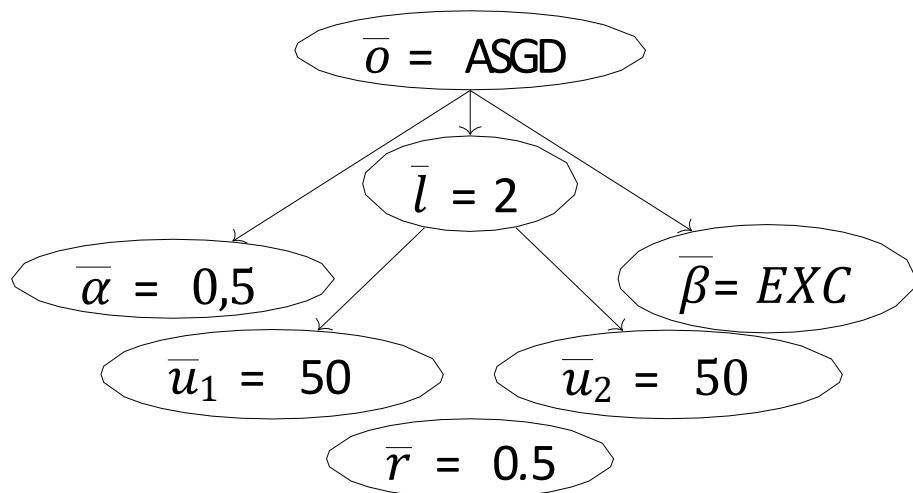
$$\overline{dist}_p(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \left( \sum_{r \in R} \sum_{i=1}^{n^r} \bar{d}(\bar{x}_i^r, \bar{y}_i^r)^k \right)^{\frac{1}{k}},$$

Where  $R = \{m, md, dec, neu\}$  are the roles and  $n^r$  is the dimension of the role  $r$ .

Meta (m)

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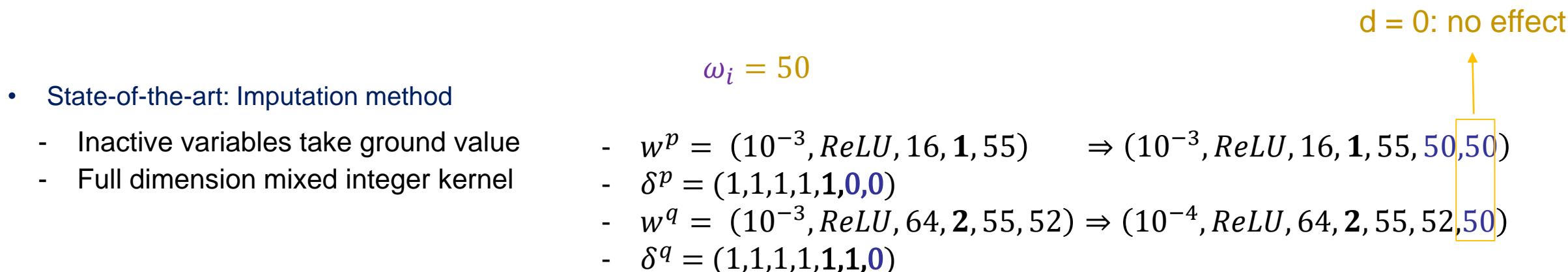
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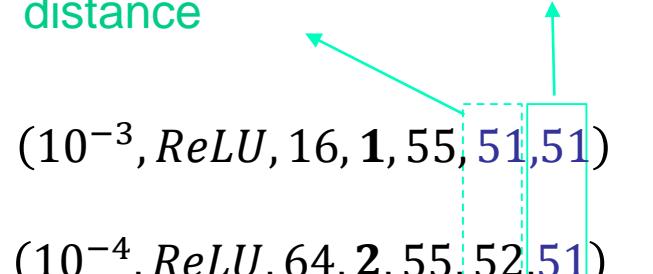
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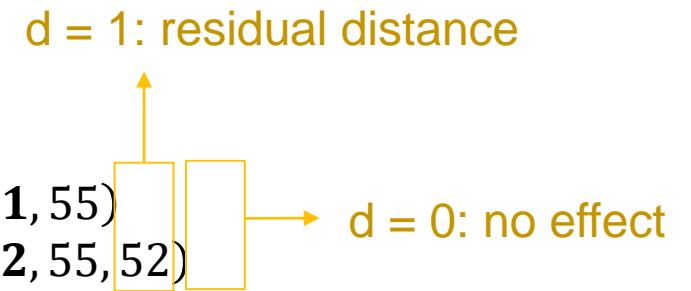


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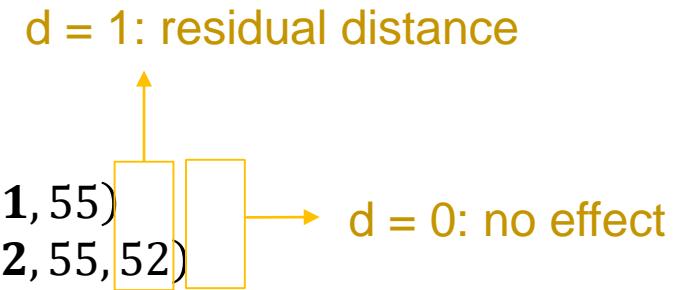
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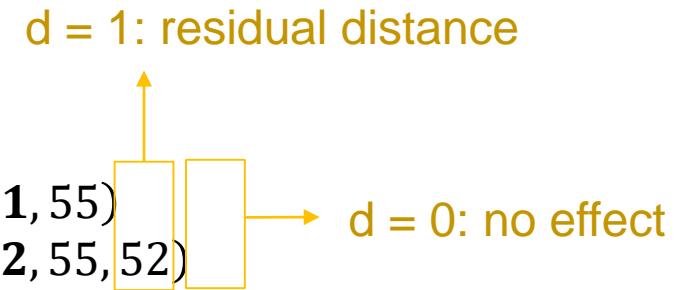


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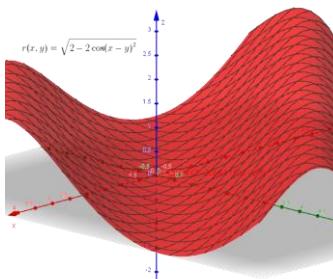


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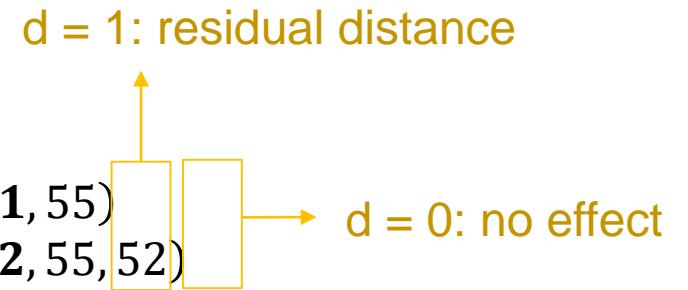
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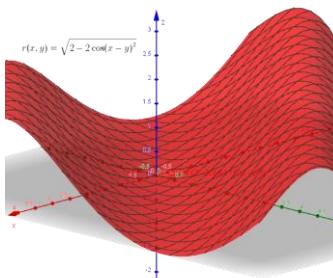
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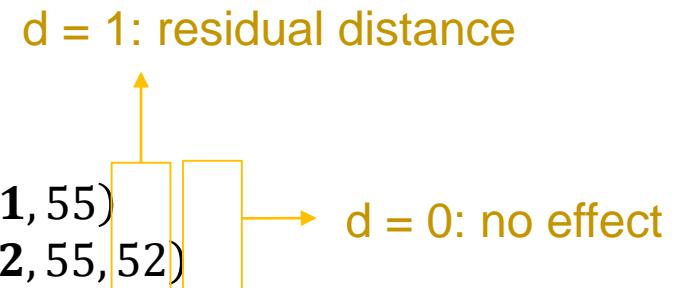
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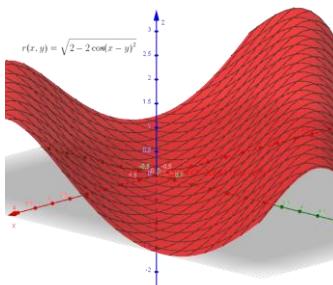
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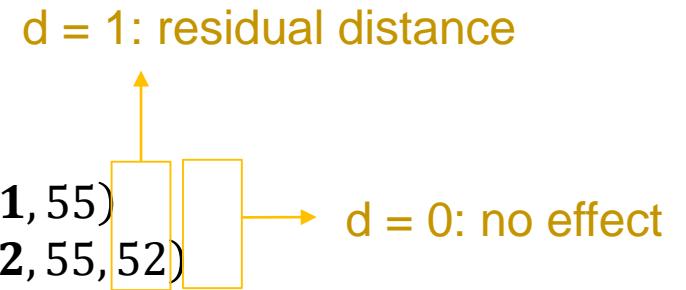
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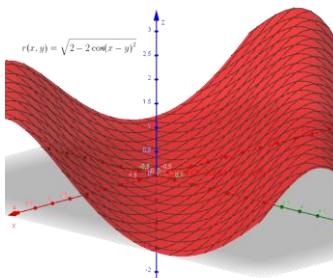
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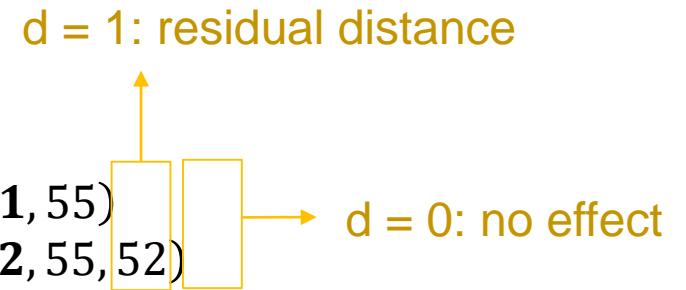
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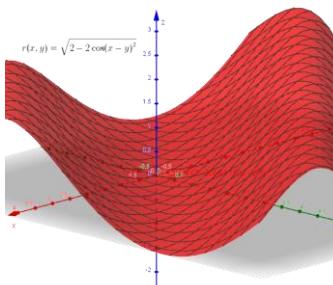
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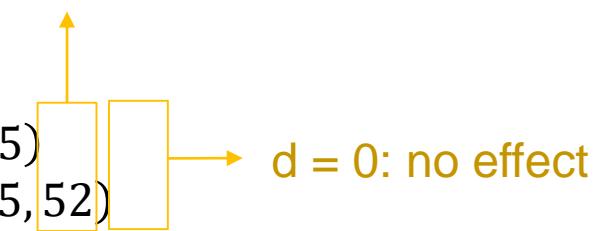
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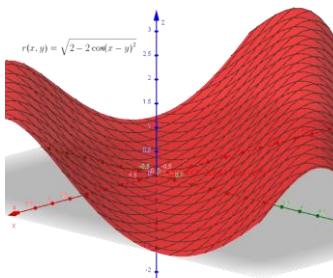
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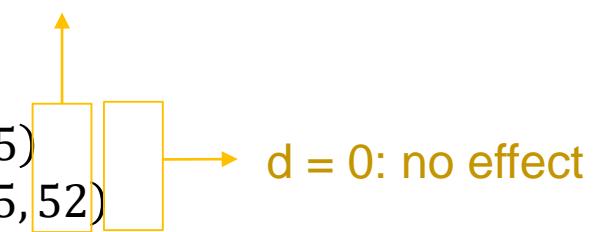
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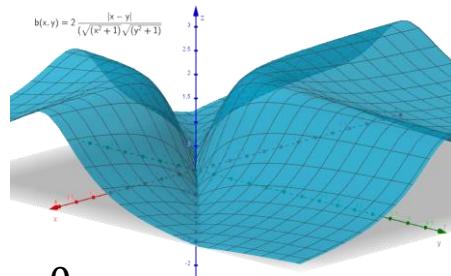
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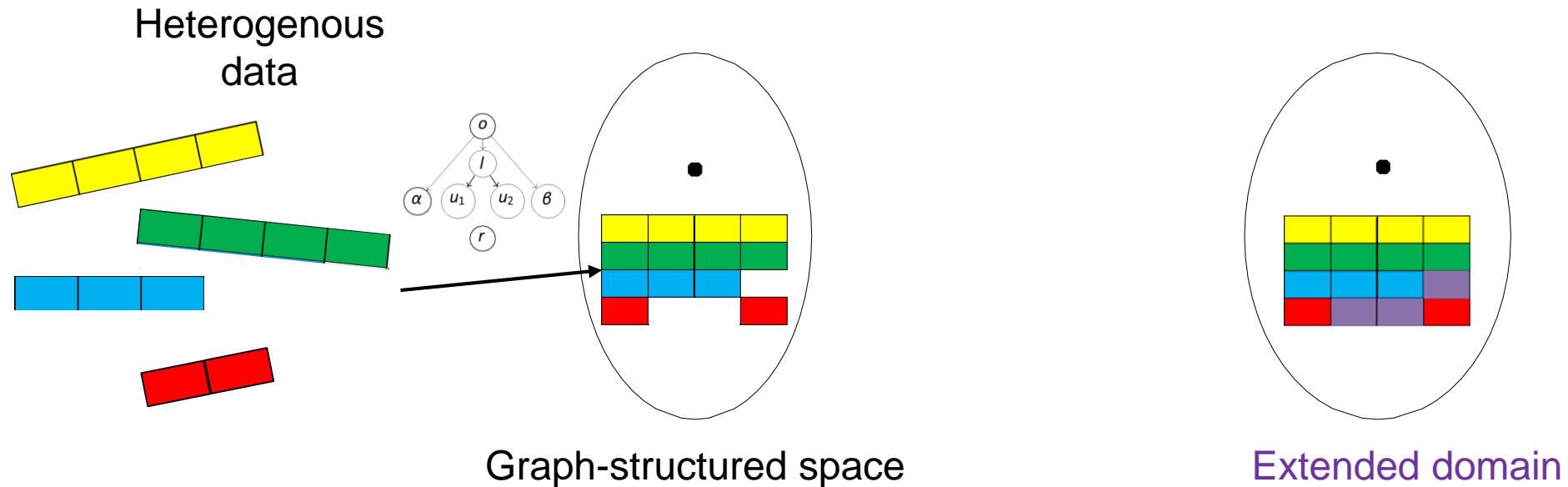
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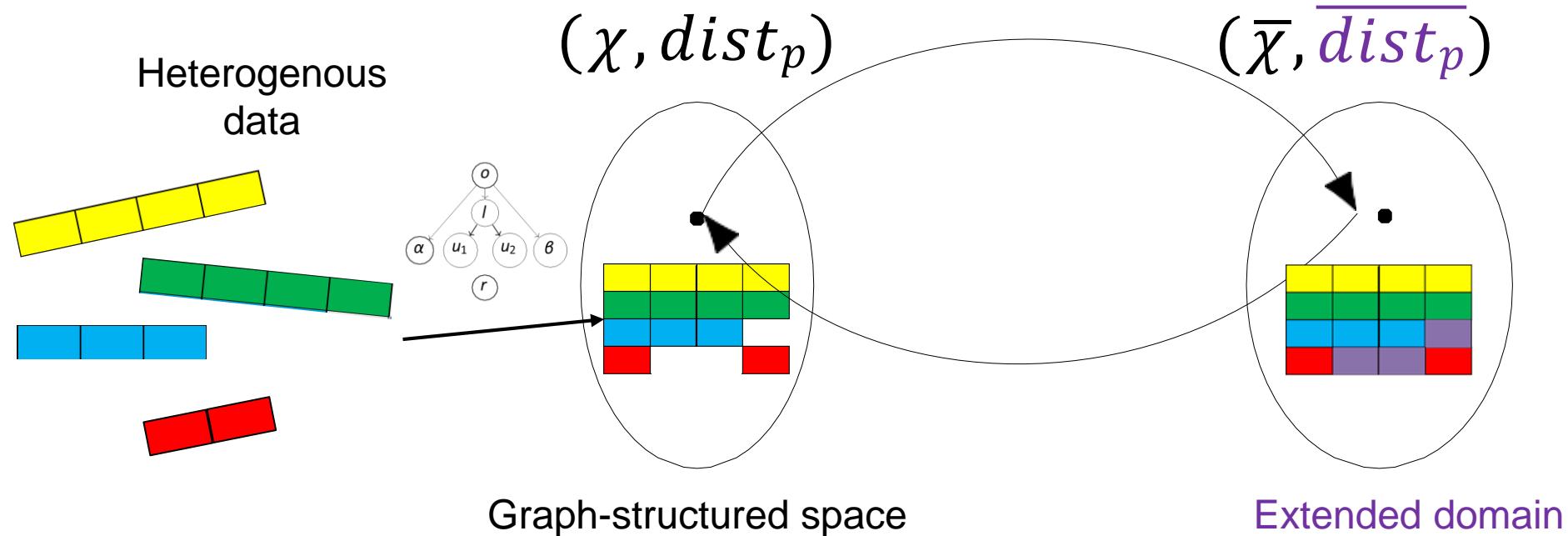
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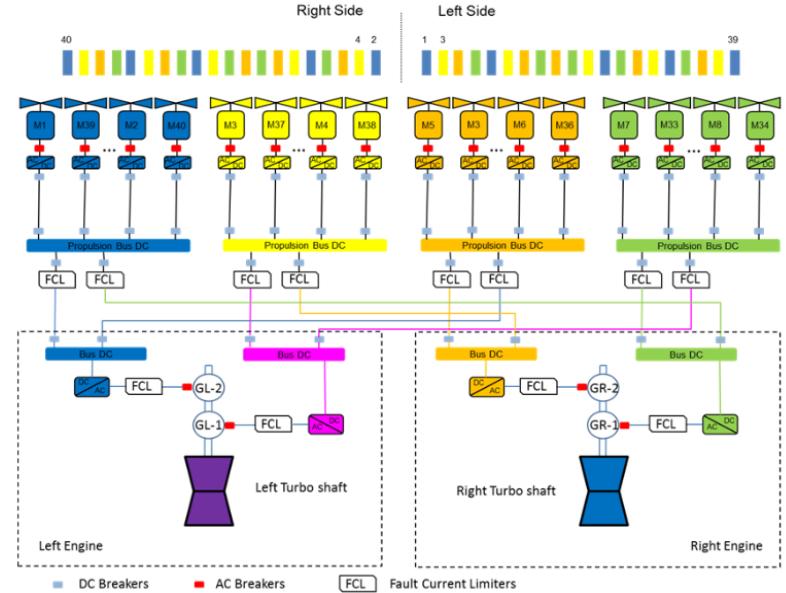
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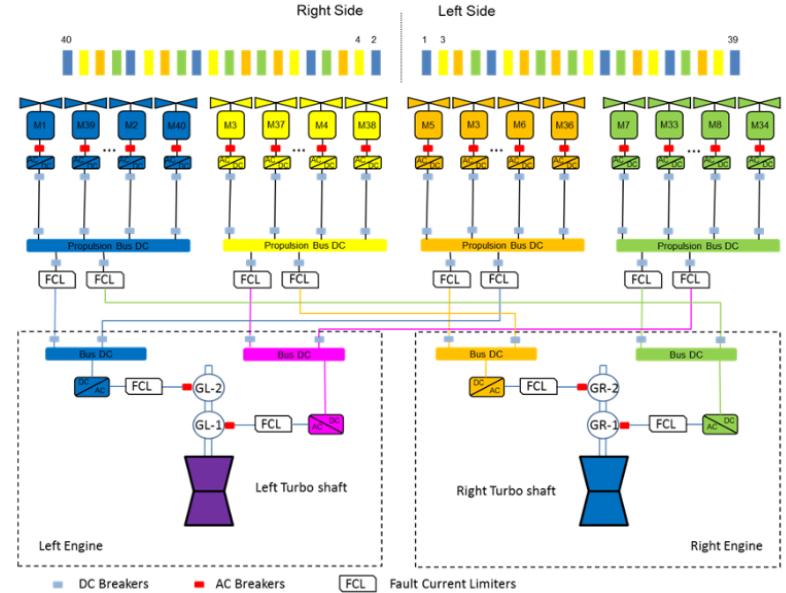
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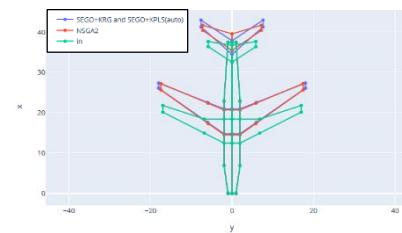
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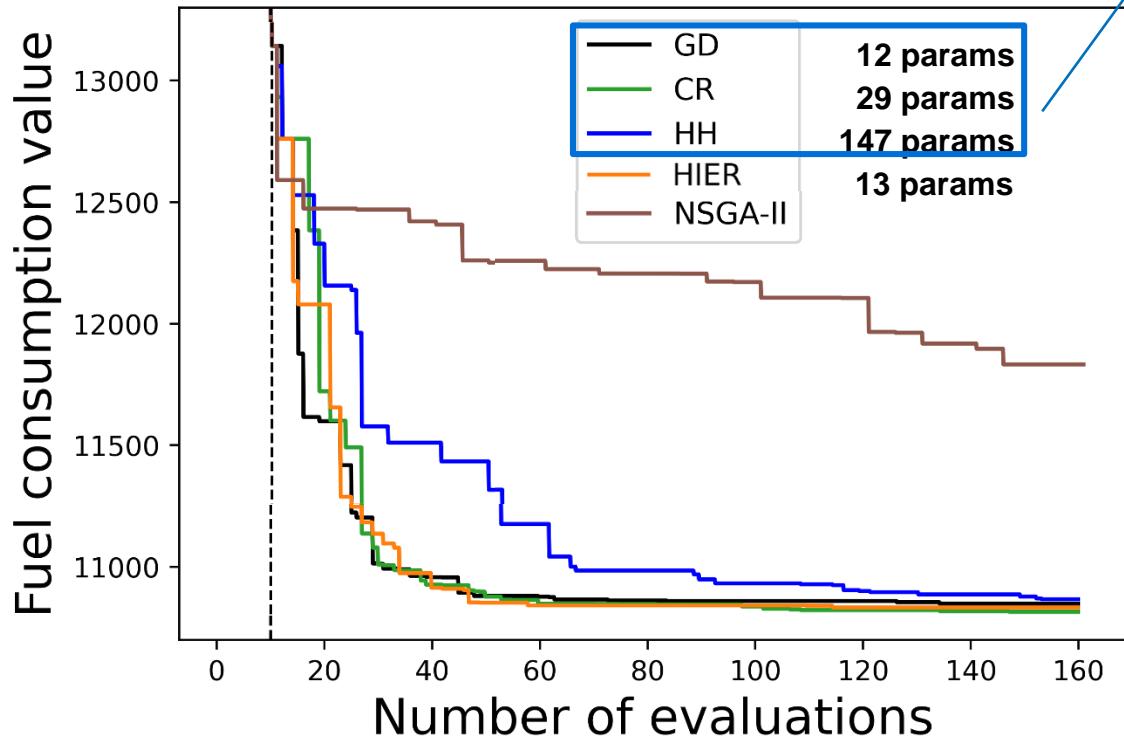
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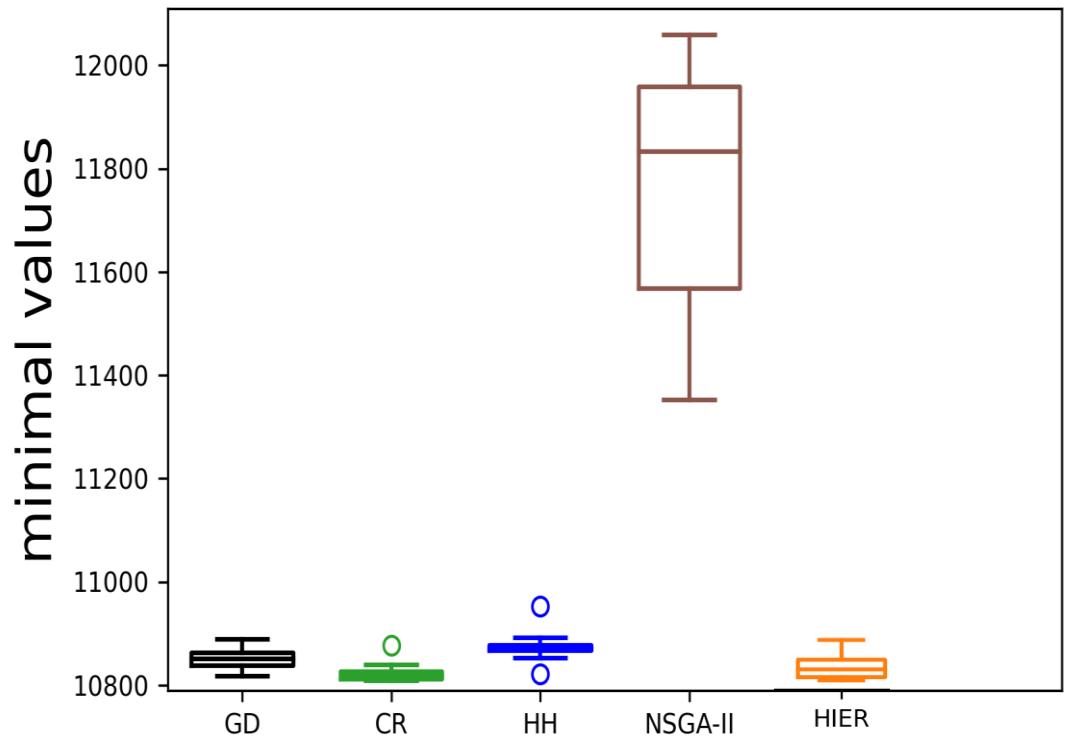
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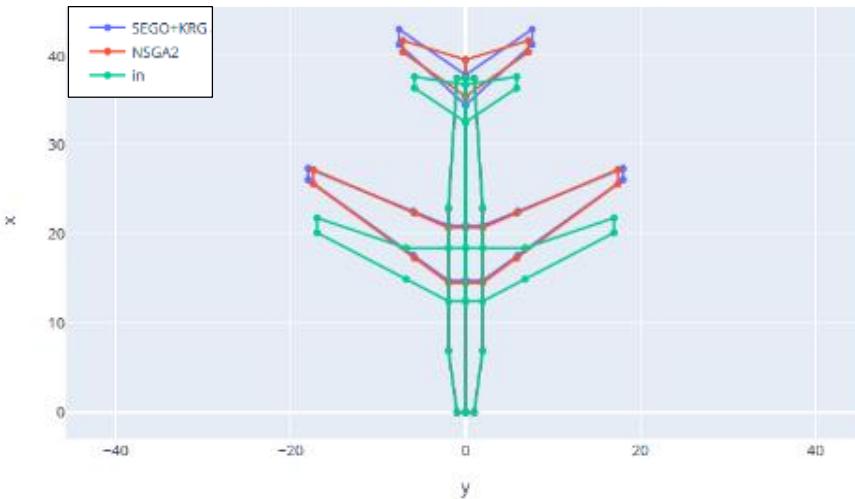
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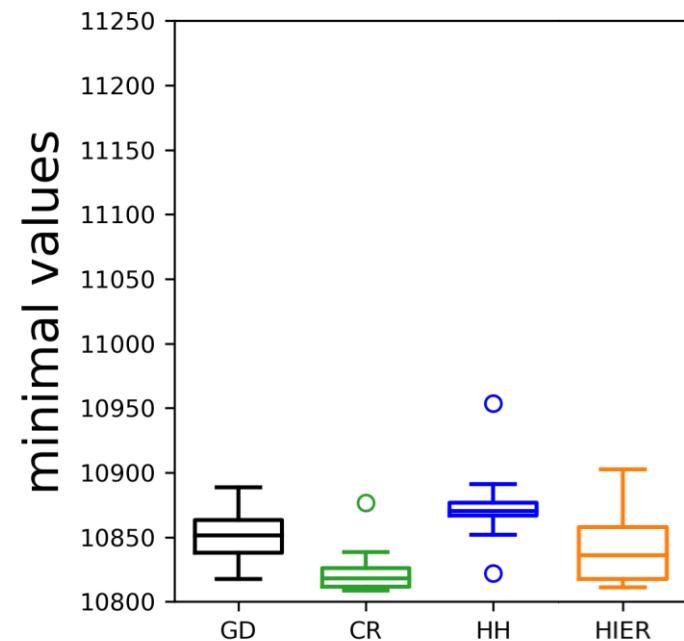
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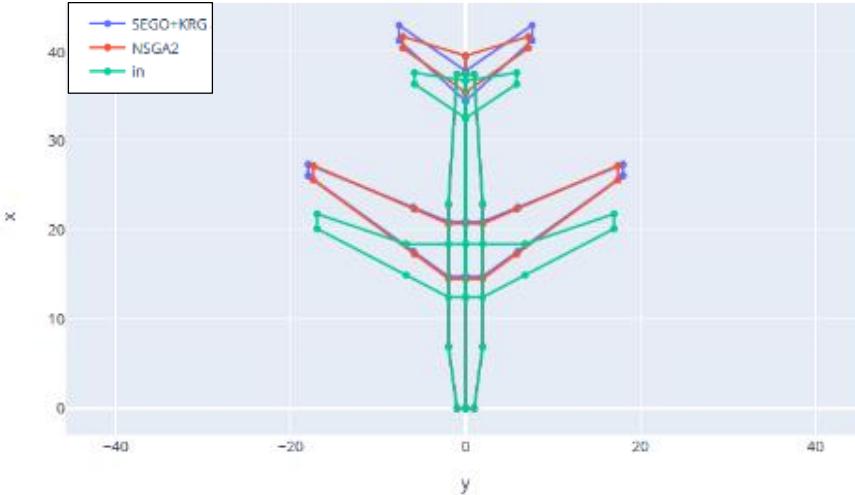
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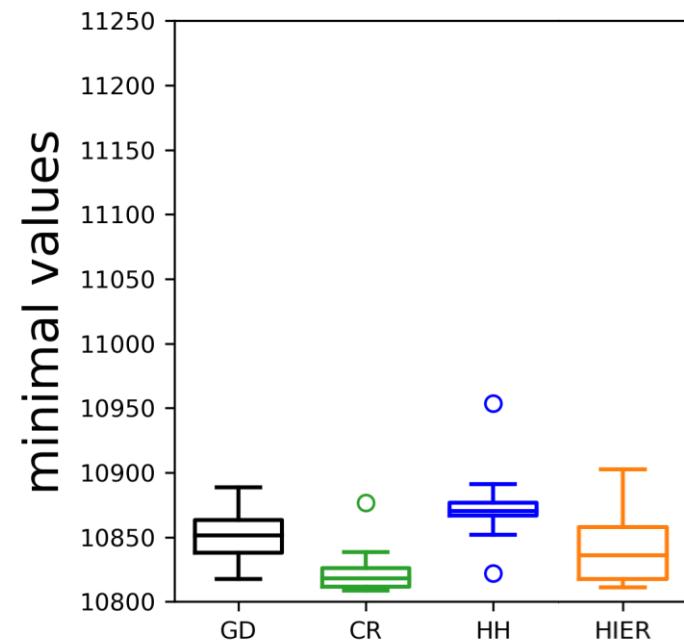
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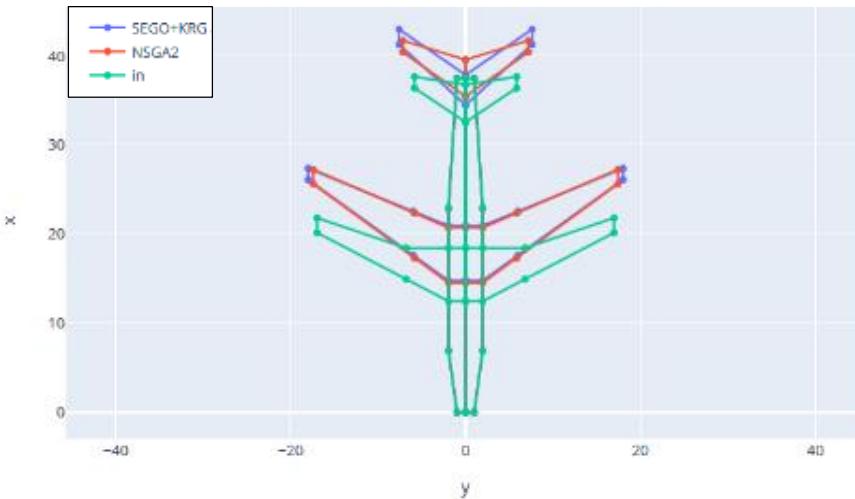
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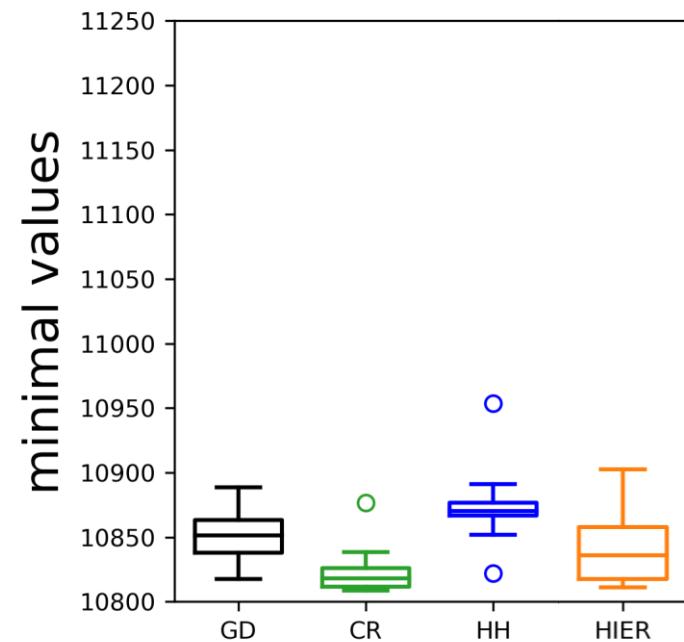
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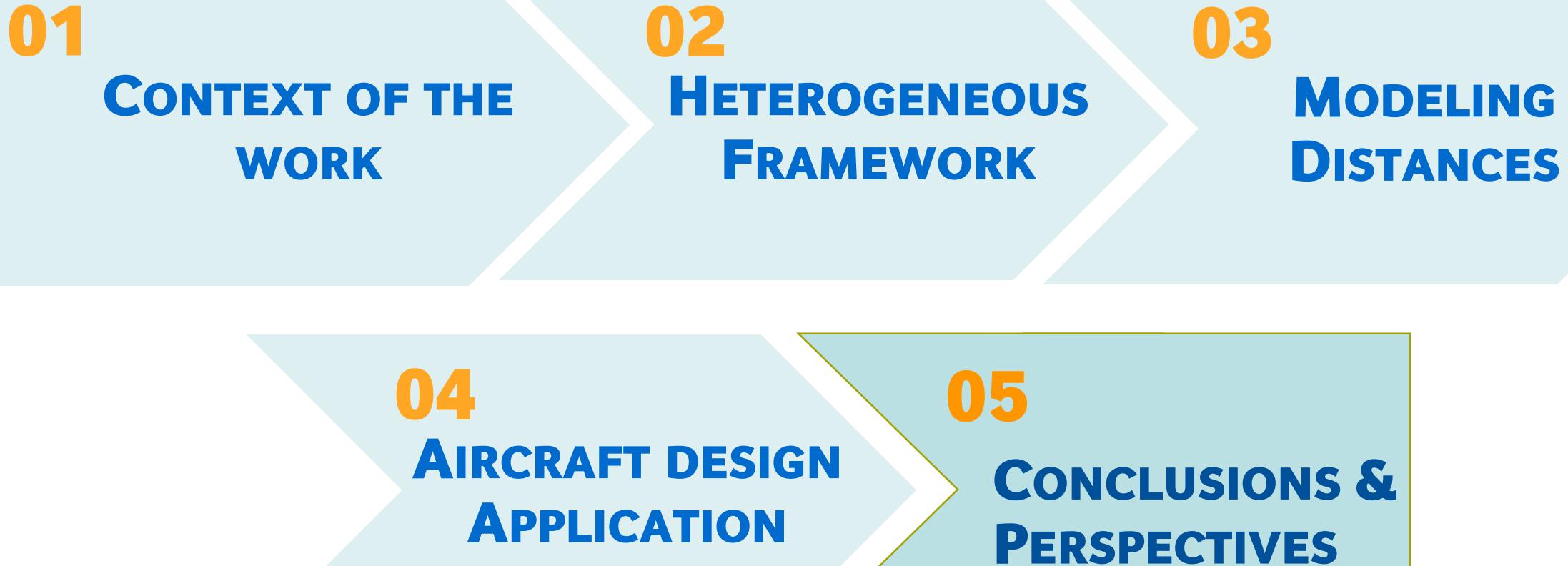
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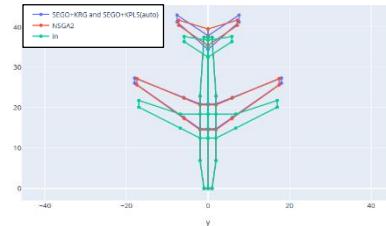


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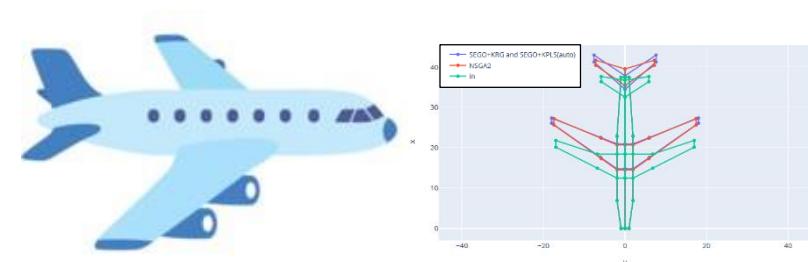
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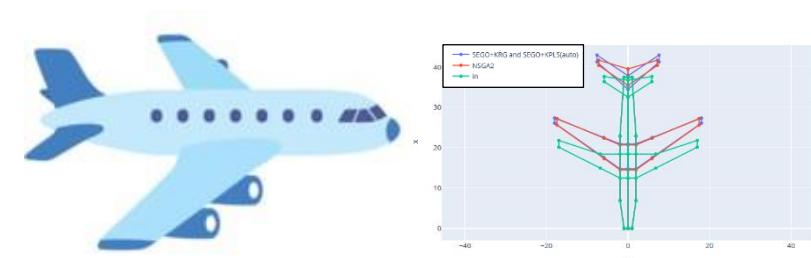
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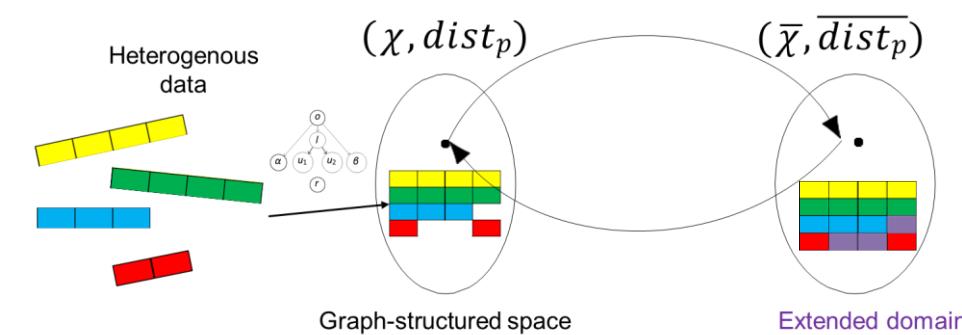
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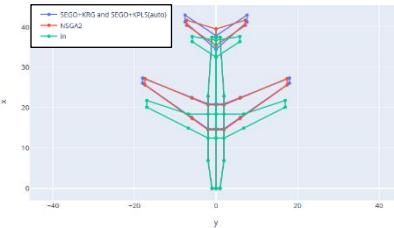


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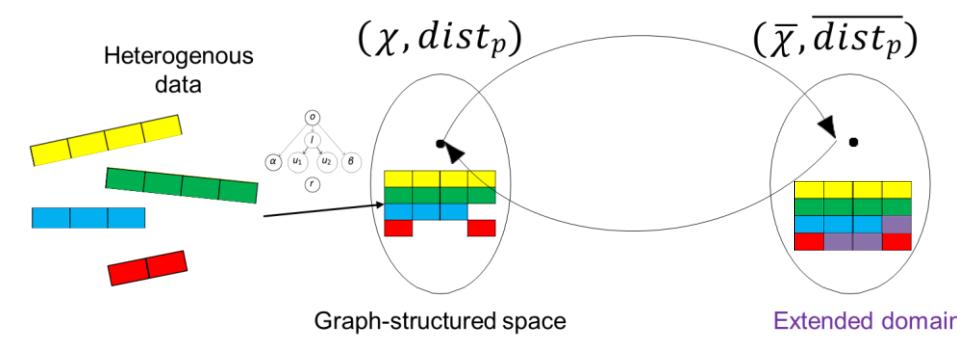
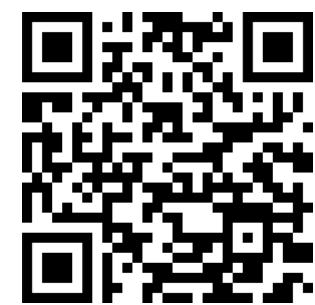
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