

## Process of quantifying the effect of uncertainties typically includes:

- **(Global) sensitivity analysis:** identification of input set with greatest influence on output QoIs
- **Uncertainty characterization:** model or infer from observable data; parametric/non-parametric/KDE
- **Uncertainty propagation:** input distributions → output QoI distributions
- **Decision making:** model validation, prediction, design under uncertainty

## SNL software tools within QUEST support a range of:

- **UQ studies:** sensitivity analysis, uncertainty propagation, statistical inference
- **Environments:** rapid prototyping in interpreted languages ↔ production computing in compiled languages on parallel platforms
- **Intrusion:** embedded ↔ linked ↔ black box

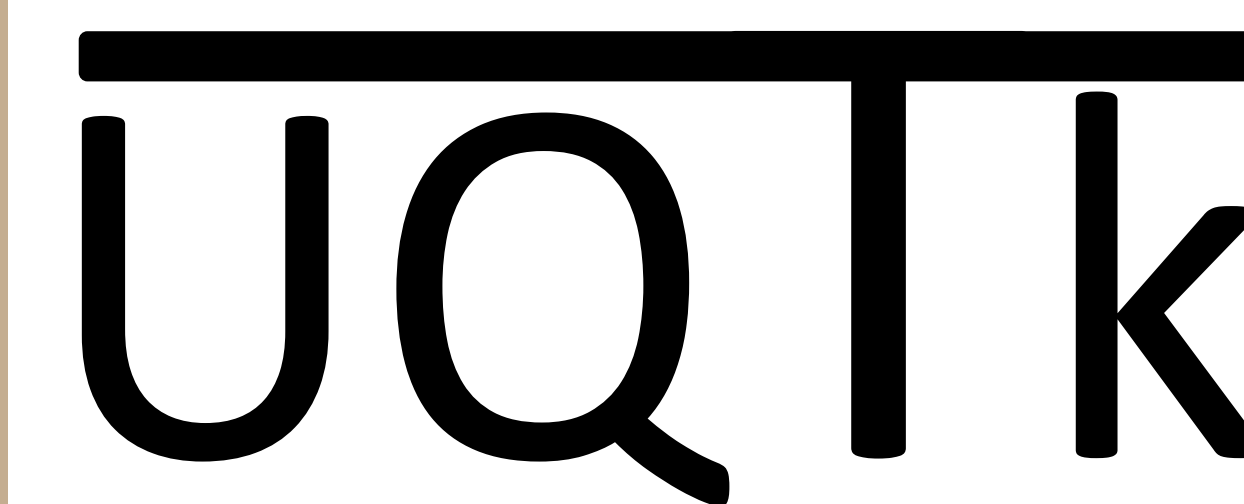
## An interoperable set of tools that can be tailored:

- DAKOTA + QUESO/GPMSA + PCE/SC/GP emulators
- Production deployment of stable capabilities in frameworks
- Close collaboration of SAPs with library developers for custom capabilities



**DAKOTA** ([dakota.sandia.gov](http://dakota.sandia.gov)) is a C++ application that provides a variety of non-intrusive algorithms for design optimization, model calibration, uncertainty quantification, global sensitivity analysis, parameter studies, and solution verification. It can be used as either a stand-alone application or as a set of library services, and supports multiple levels of parallelism for scalability on both capability and capacity HPC resources.

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**UQTK** ([www.sandia.gov/UQToolkit](http://www.sandia.gov/UQToolkit)) is an LGPL open source library of functions for characterization and propagation of uncertainty in computational models.

- Mainly relies on spectral Polynomial Chaos Expansions (PCEs) for representing random variables and stochastic processes
- Complementary to production tools, UQTK targets:
  - Rapid prototyping
  - Algorithmic research
  - Outreach: Tutorials / Educational
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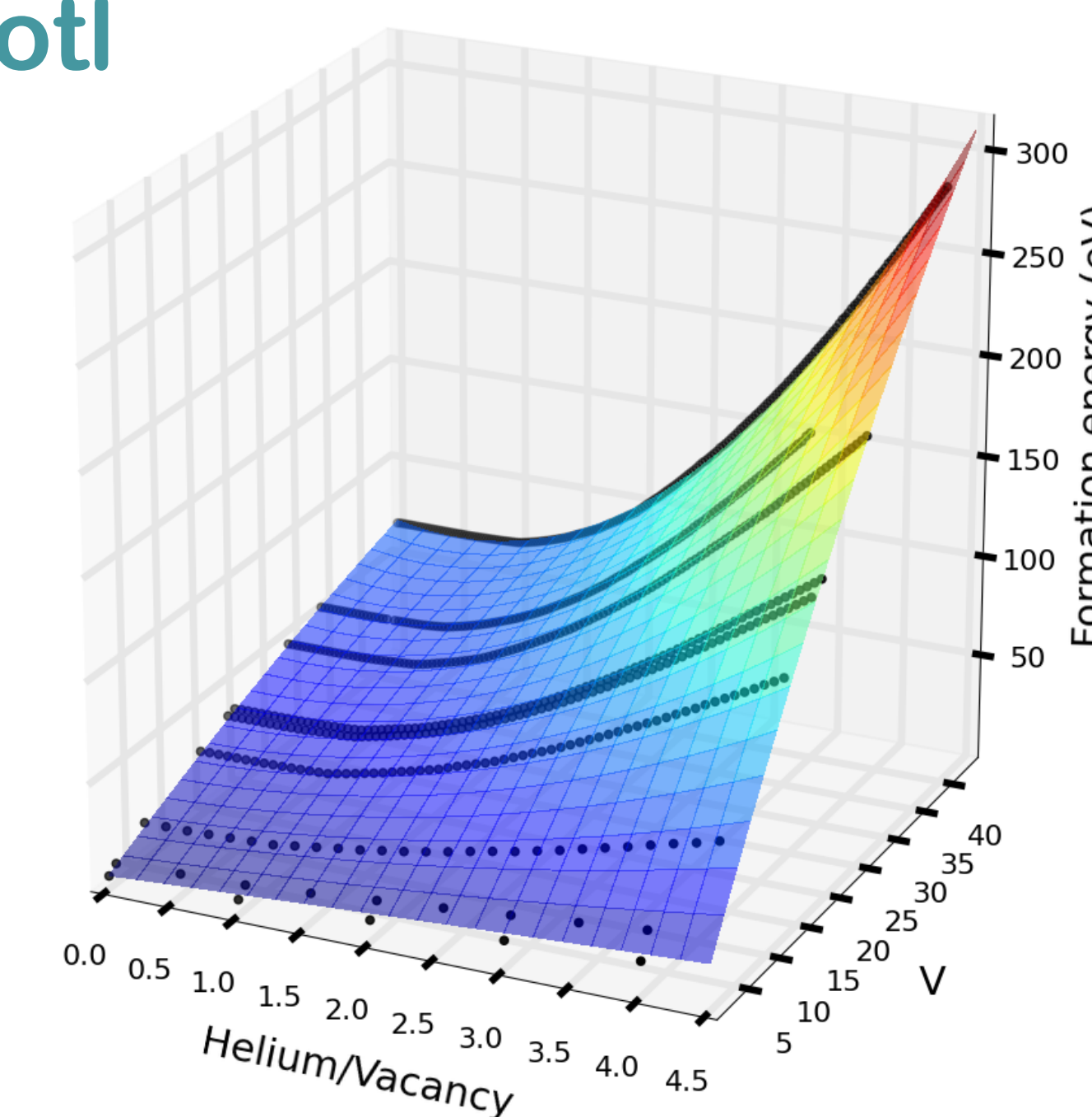
## Capabilities:

- Intrusive and non-intrusive (quadrature) approaches for PCE stochastic Galerkin projection
  - Full and sparse quadrature approaches
- Markov Chain Monte Carlo library for Bayesian inference
- Bayesian Compressive Sensing
- Karhunen-Loève expansions
- Sensitivity analysis
- Core libraries in C++
- Examples and postprocessing tools in Python
- Fully functional Python interface planned for Fall 2014 release

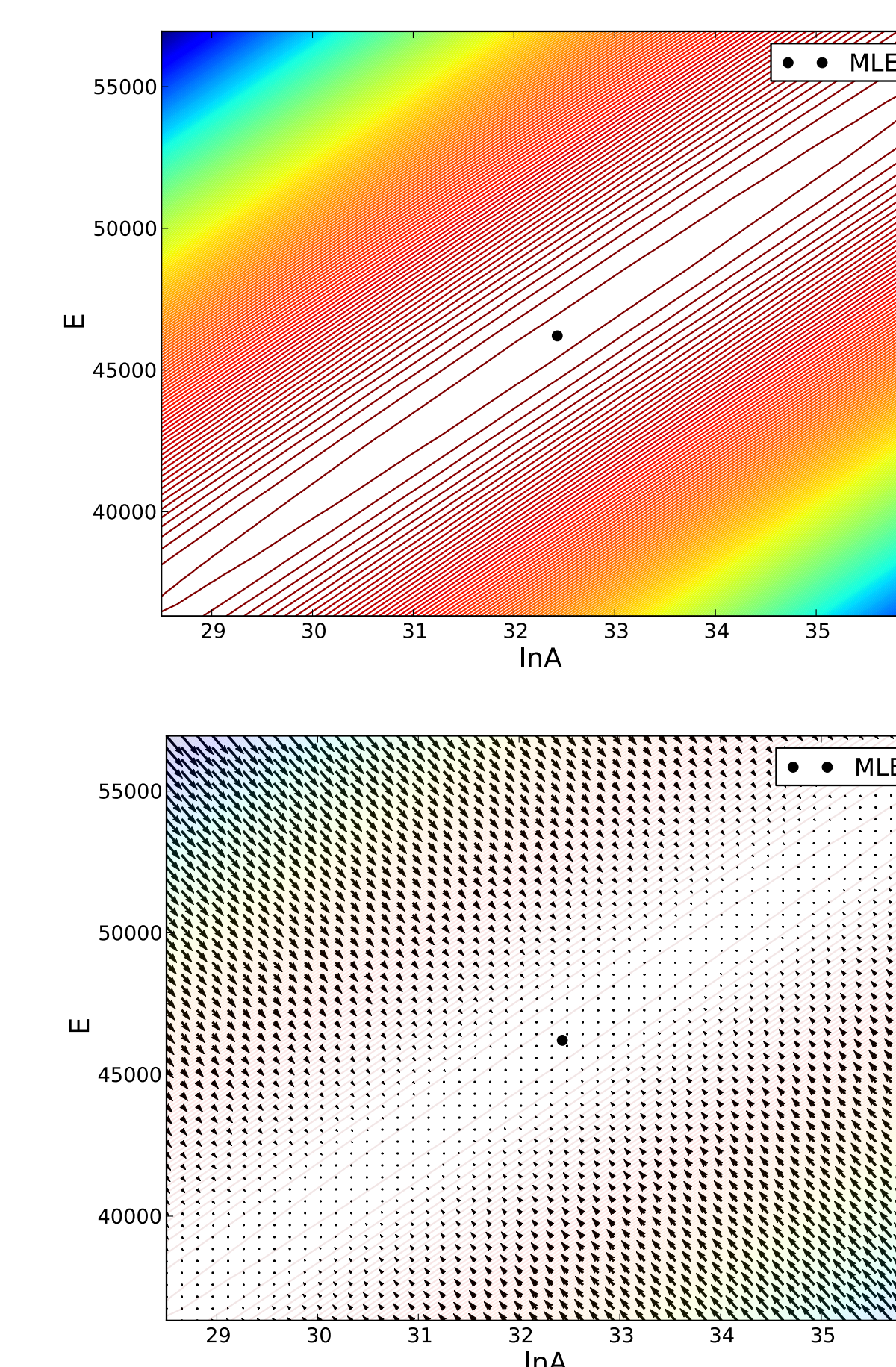
## Applications:

- UQTK components can be combined as needed into an end-to-end UQ workflow:
  - Surrogate construction → sensitivity analysis → parameter inference → PCE construction → forward propagation
  - Bayesian compressive sensing used in climate modeling for surrogate construction and dimensionality reduction of land, atmosphere and cloud models (CSSEF, ACME, Multiscale Earth Models, ACES4GCM)
  - UQ workflows set up in multiple SciDAC partnership projects: e.g. UQ in Xolotl (PSI)
- Development of lecture material and hands-on exercises for UQ tutorials
  - Nationally and Internationally

## Uncertainty Quantification in Xolotl



## Inference of Combustion Model Parameters



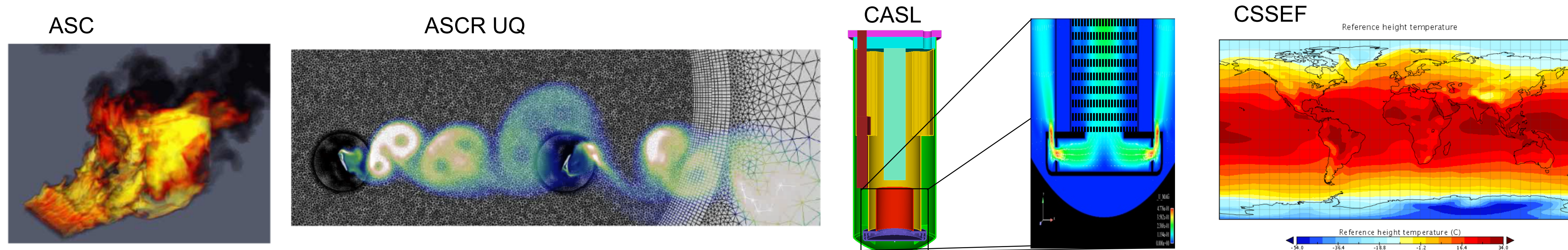
- 5<sup>th</sup> order Legendre-Uniform PC surrogate for an ignition time model, as a function of activation energy and pre-exponential (top left)
- Derivative of the surrogate (bottom left)
- Both the surrogate and its derivative obtained with UQTK
- Used in optimization to get better initial guess for MCMC
- Used to accelerate likelihood computation in MCMC

- 2<sup>nd</sup> order Legendre-Uniform PC surrogate obtained with Bayesian regression from formation energies computed with MD
- Input to Xolotl, which computes cluster dissociation rates in plasma-surface interactions

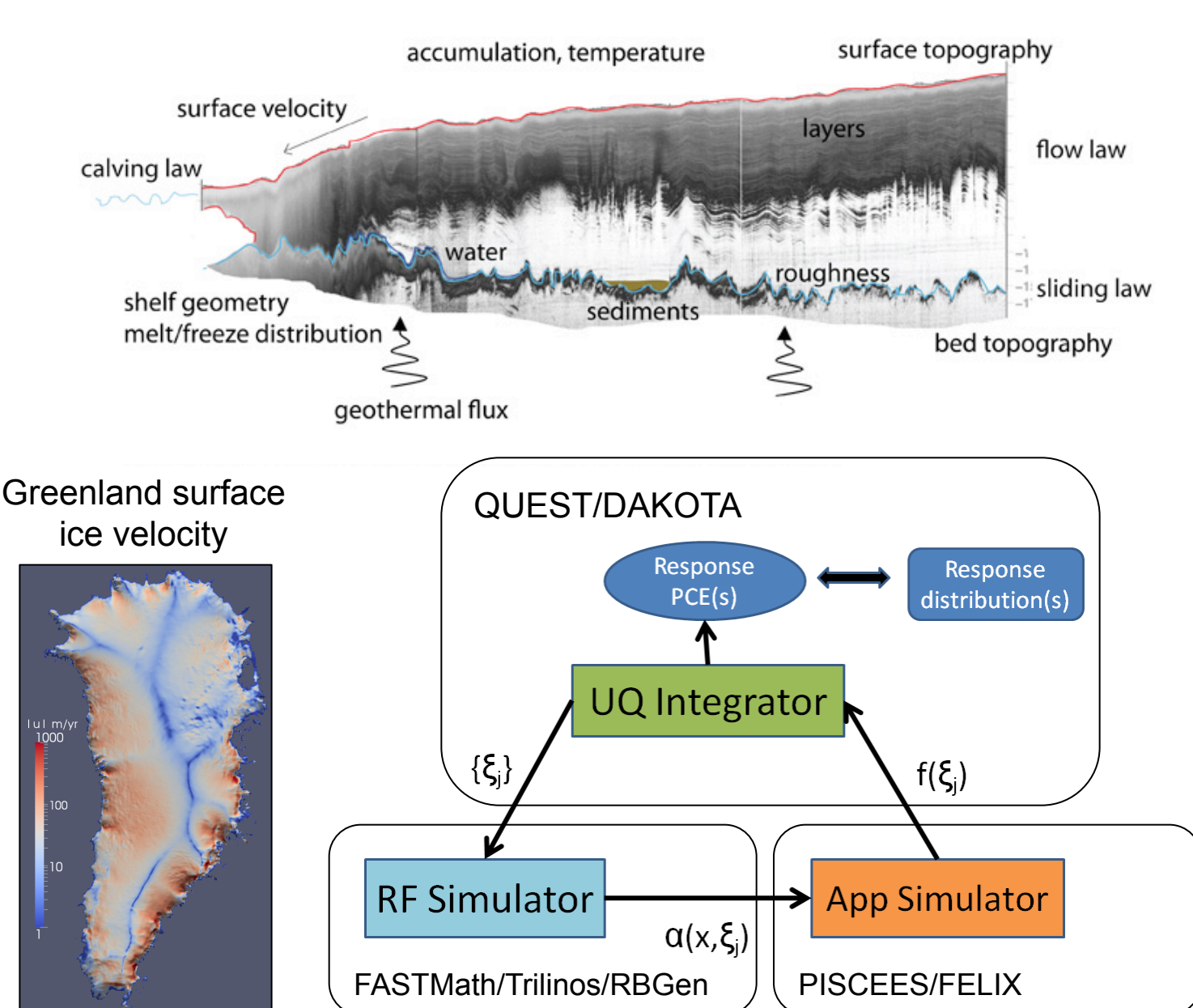
## UQ Capabilities:

- **Sampling methods**
  - Random: LHS, MC, Incremental
  - Importance: IS, AIS, MMAIS
  - Adaptive: Morse-Smale et al.
- **Reliability methods**
  - Local: MV, AMV, AMV+, AMV<sup>2+</sup>, TANA-3, FORM, SORM
  - Global: EGRA, GPAIS, POF Darts
- **Stochastic expansion methods**
  - Polynomial chaos: projection, regression (see Algs poster)
  - Stochastic collocation: tensor & sparse; nodal & hierarchical
- **Epistemic methods**
  - Interval estimation: local, global, mixed-integer
  - Dempster-Shafer
- **Bayesian methods**
  - QUESO, GPMSA, DREAM
  - Emulator-based MCMC: PCE, SC, GP
  - Random field inference (PISCEES at bottom)
- **Meta-iteration and recursion**
  - Mixed aleatory-epistemic UQ
  - Design / calibration under uncertainty

## Defense, Science, and Energy Applications



## SAP Highlight: Integration of Albany/Dakota/Trilinos for PISCEES



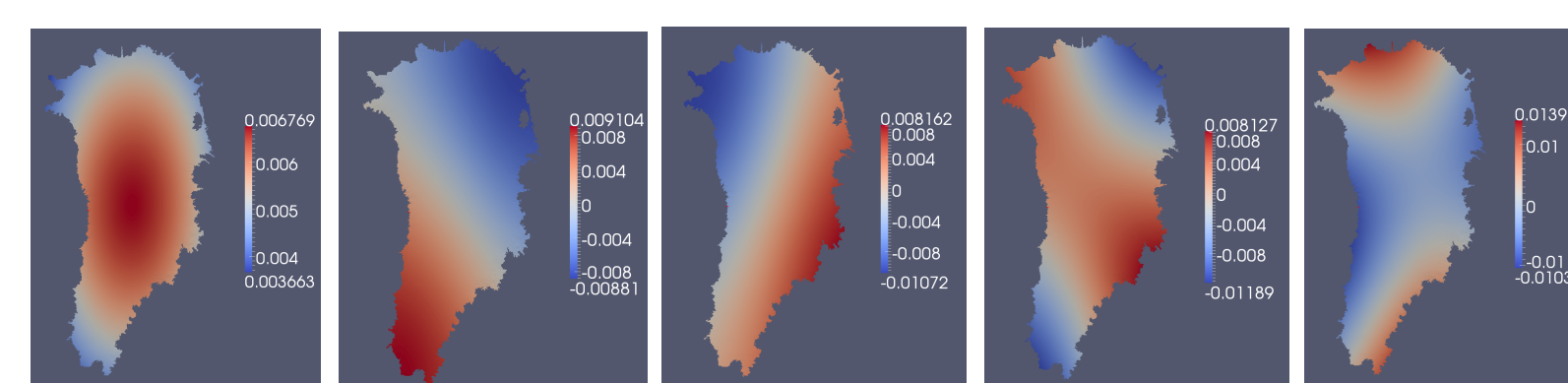
### Karhunen-Loève expansion (KLE):

Assume analytic spatial covariance kernel (squared exponential) for random field:

$$C(r_1, r_2) = e^{-(r_1 - r_2)^2 / L^2}$$

and integrate over domain for modes. Length scale (L) balances feature resolution vs. # KLE modes.

### First 5 KLE modes (95% energy):



### Dimension reduced inference:

- Mismatch = sum sq of surface velocity discrepancy
- PCE formed for mismatch over uniform prior distributions for isotropic sparse grid lev = 3
- MCMC on PCE with 100k samples, 1<sup>st</sup> 10k discarded

### Posterior KLE coeffs

