

# Carbon Capture Simulation for Industry Impact (CCSI<sup>2</sup>)

#### Technical Risk Reduction: Sequential Design of Experiments and **Uncertainty Quantification**

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## **Today's Plan**

- Does the data collection approach matter? (Yes!)
- Uncertainty Quantification (UQ)
  - What, why, how?
- Sequential Design of Experiments (SDoE) and UQ
- UQ + SDoE Illustration



## What is Design of Experiments (DoE)?

- Mathematical strategy for selecting input combinations
  - Estimate output (computer experiment)
  - Operate system (physical experiment)
- Series of these experimental runs/tests forms experiment
  - Purposeful changes to inputs of process or system
  - Identify the reasons for any changes in output
- A well-designed experiment is critical
  - Results and conclusions depend on data collection approach



## Why Use Design of Experiments?

- Extract maximum information with a fixed budget
  - Maximize performance, minimize risk
  - Produces exceptionally high-quality data
- Saved 2 years and \$2-3M off pilot testing
- Proven track record from past applications
  - Over 25% reduction in model uncertainty
  - CO<sub>2</sub> Capture percentage within 3-6% with 95% confidence

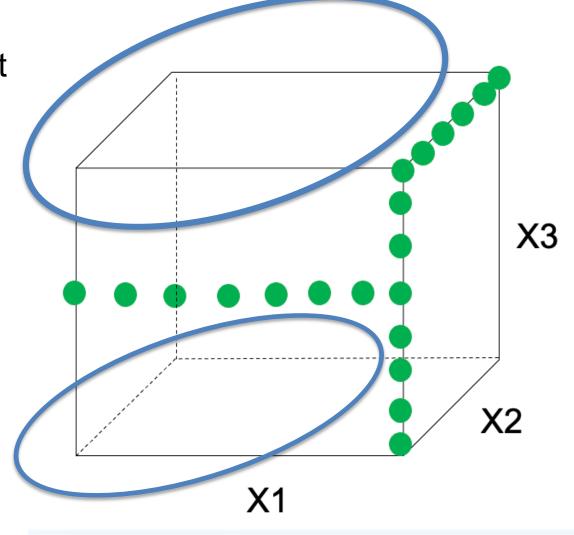




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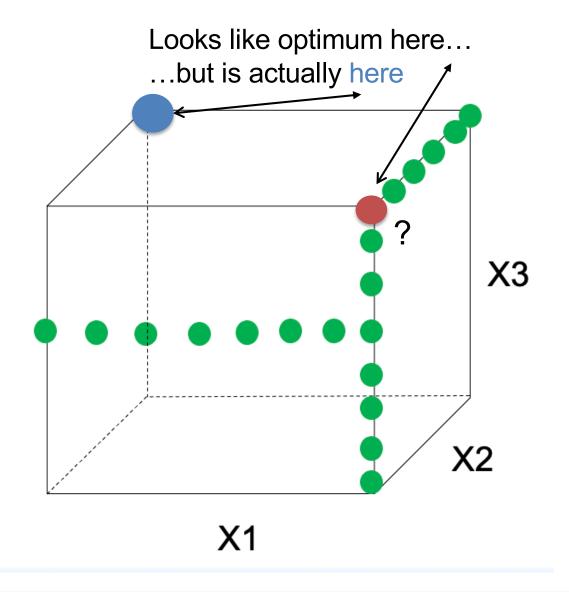
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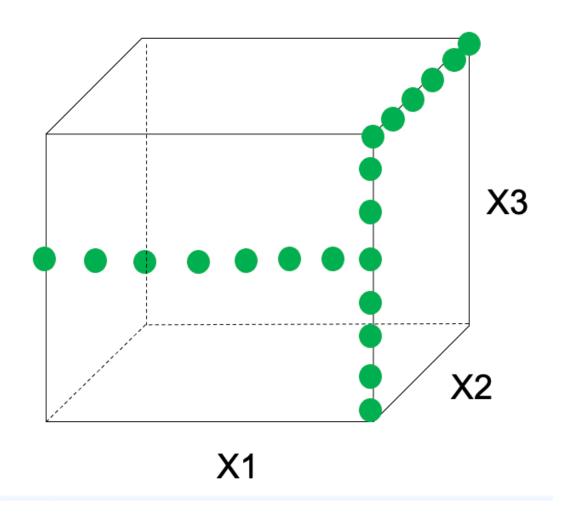
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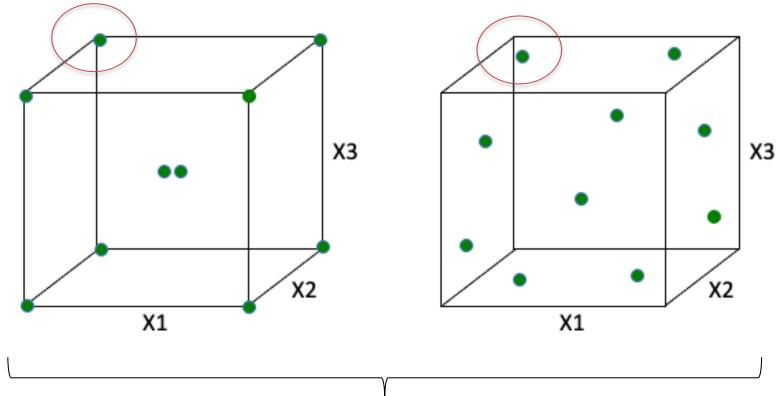
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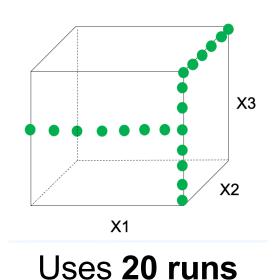
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  - Changing conditions can negatively affect the results





## **DoE Avoids These Drawbacks – Is Always More Efficient**





Two Different DoE Approaches Each uses **10 runs** 

(More detail on quantitative advantages of DoE in a few slides)



### What Is DoE Used For?

#### **Development**

- Evaluate and compare system configurations
- Evaluate material alternatives
- Determine parameter settings that work well under variable field conditions
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Strategic data collection + model estimation and refinement



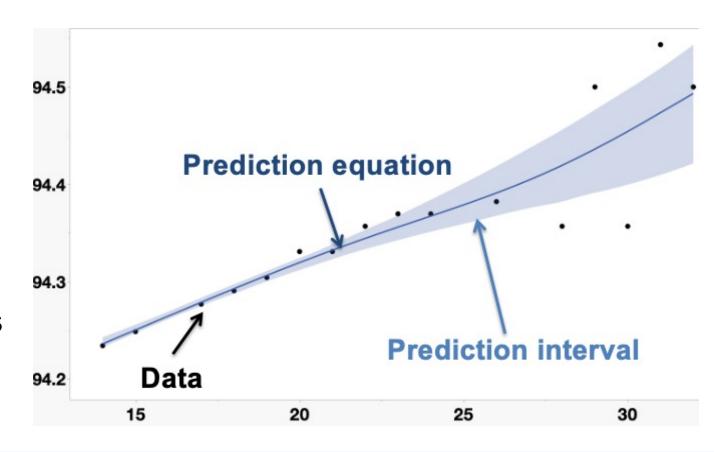
## All Models Contain Some Level of Uncertainty

- Form of the model, values of model parameters, experimental data used
- Need to characterize this uncertainty
  - Understand
  - Interpret results appropriately
- Characterization allows us to target sources of uncertainty to reduce uncertainty; improve
  - Models
  - Results
  - Understanding



## **Uncertainty Quantification (UQ)**

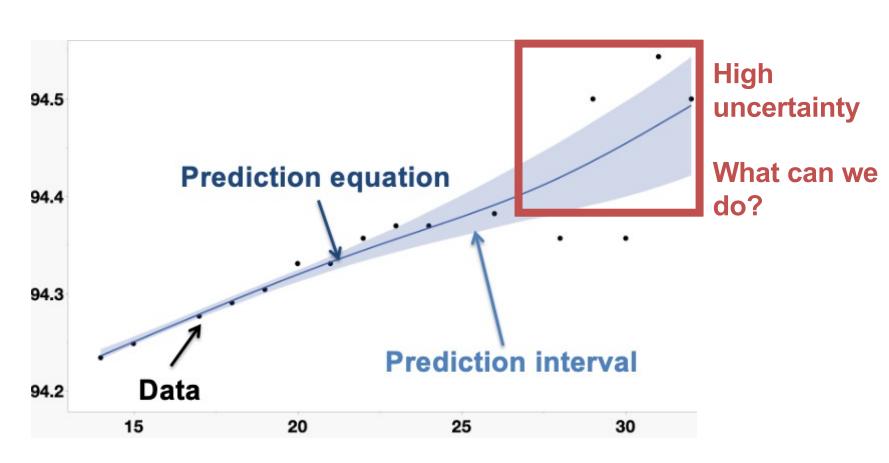
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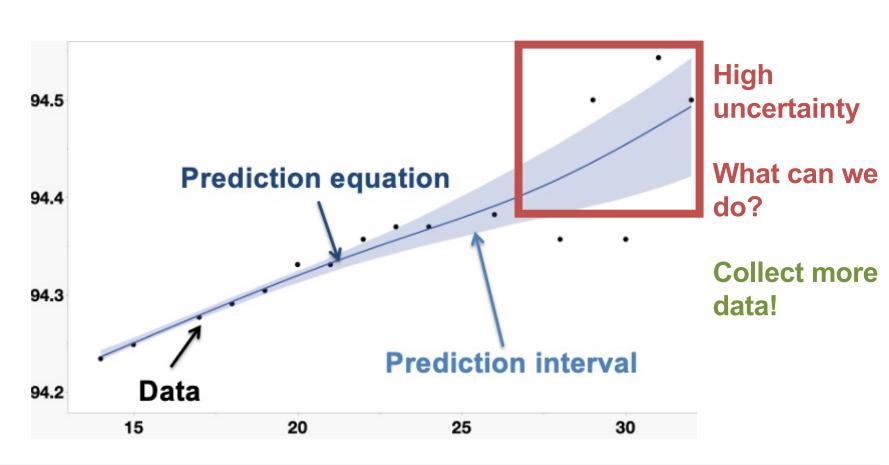
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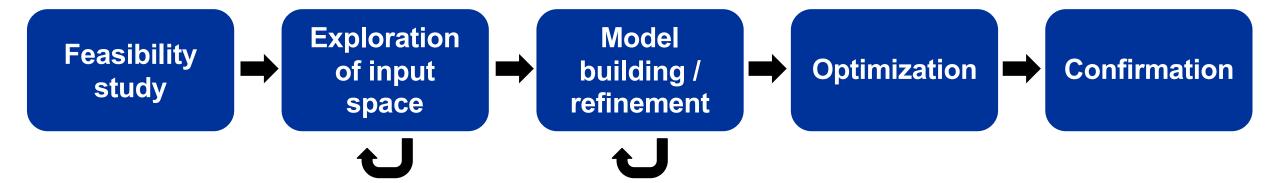




## Sequential DoE (SDoE)

SDoE: Directly incorporate knowledge learned in previous stages

Result: Strategic data collection across multiple stages, reduce risk



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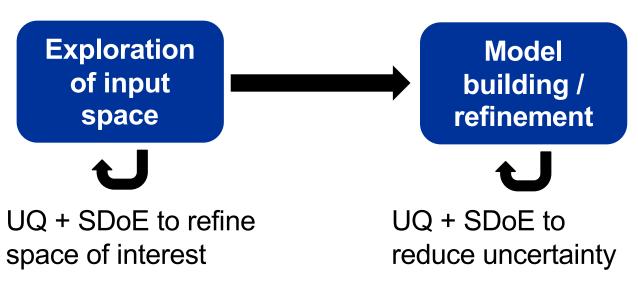
Verify results for production or operational use

Ability to reproduce results



#### **Success Stories: MTR Field Test at TCM**

- CCSI<sup>2</sup> supported Membrane Technology and Research engineering-scale advanced membrane field test at the Technology Centre Mongstad (TCM) (DE-FE0031591)
- CCSI<sup>2</sup> Team leveraged UQ and SDoE tools to make the most of the experimental budget – Learn as we go, increase efficacy
- Primary objective: Optimization





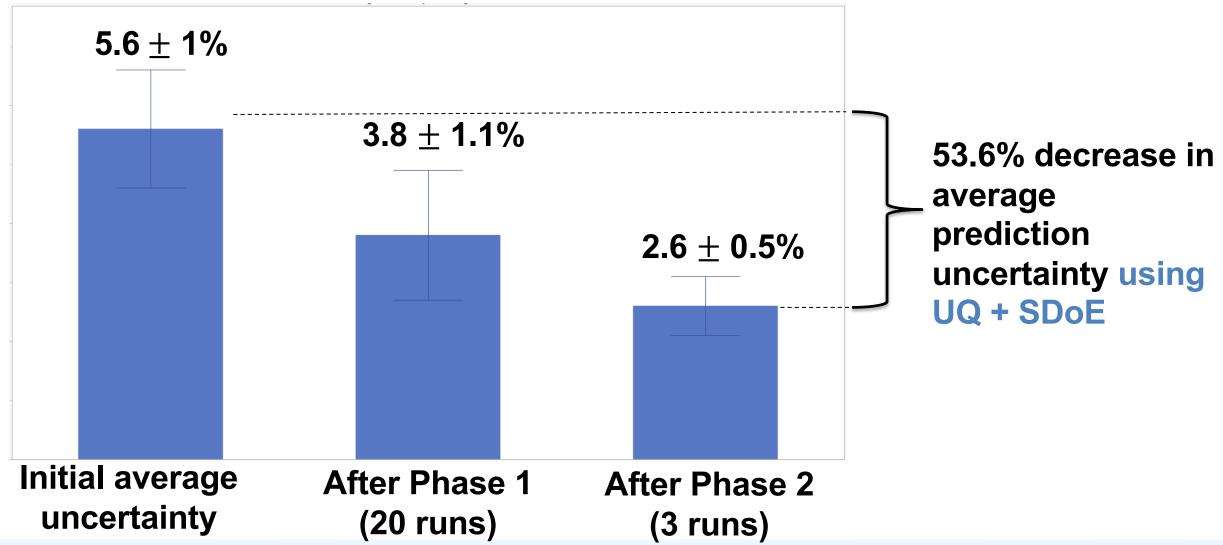
Successful completion of field test with goals met, despite delays in testing schedule due to MTR equipment

## **Success Stories: RTI Test Campaign at TCM**

- CCSI<sup>2</sup> supported Research Triangle Institute test campaign for NAS solvent system at TCM
- RTI interested in two sets of conditions
  - Gas-fired combined heat and power (CHP)
  - Residual fluidized catalytic cracker (RFCC) flue gas sources
- CCSI<sup>2</sup> contributed 2 separate series of designs ranging in size to meet objective while accounting for flexibility in schedule
- Leveraged SDoE to guide test campaign
  - Focused on demonstrating high levels of CO2 capture with low solvent emissions and regeneration energy requirement



# Success stories: Aqueous MEA Pilot Plant Campaign at NCCC





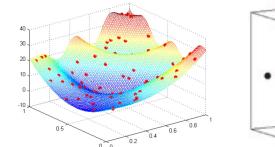
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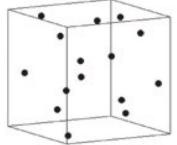
### **Space-Filling Designs**

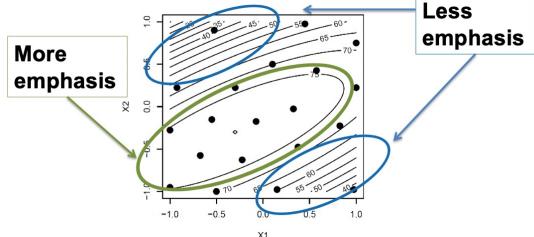
Relationship between inputs and response(s) of interest not well understood

- Uniform Space-Filling Designs
  - Design points evenly spread throughout space of interest
  - Exploration
- Non-Uniform Space-Filling Designs
  - Emphasize some regions more than others
  - Uncertainty reduction
- Input-Response Space-Filling Designs
  - Coverage of likely output values

CCSI<sup>2</sup>: SDoE Toolset; Experts to talk to and work with







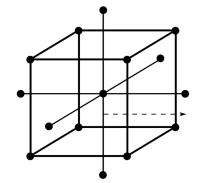
Developed to meet needs of CCSI<sup>2</sup> applications



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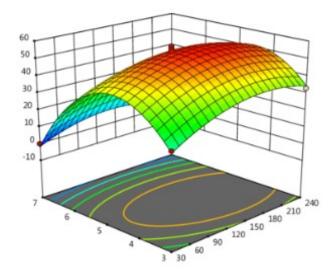
#### **Empirical Model-Based Designs**

Often used when relationship between inputs and response can be well approximated by a low-order polynomial



- What inputs have biggest influence on output?
  - Parameter estimation
- What input settings lead to desired output value?
  - Response prediction
- Good choice for initial exploration
  - Refine experimental scope
  - Process model under development

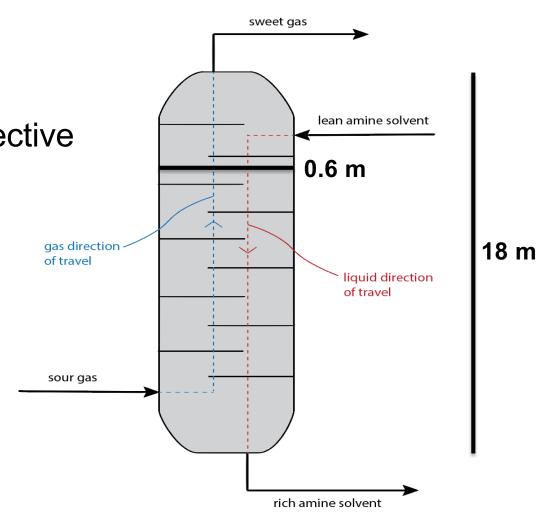
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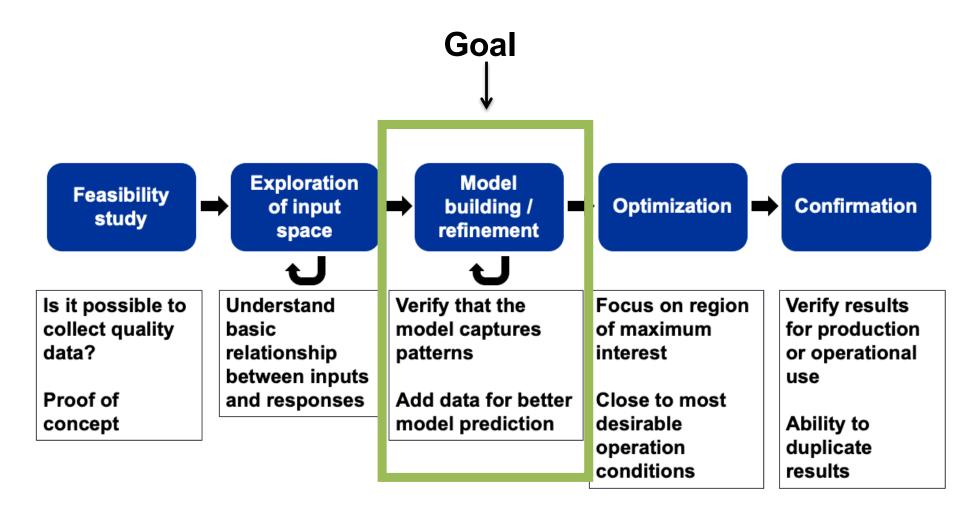
## SDoE/UQ Illustration: MEA Absorption Column Model

- Primary components:
  - Thermodynamic model
  - Mass transfer
- Model is evaluation model but provides effective demonstration
- 5 Inputs:
  - Liquid flowrate
  - Gas flowrate
  - Lean loading
  - MEA weight fraction
  - CO2 mole fraction in the vapor
- Output: Percent CO2 captured





## Reduce Uncertainty in MEA Absorption Column Model





## Use UQ + SDoE to Reduce Uncertainty (and associated risk)

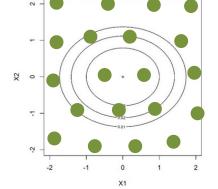
Number of experimental runs allocated: 30

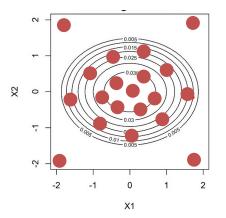
Approach: SDoE with 3 phases

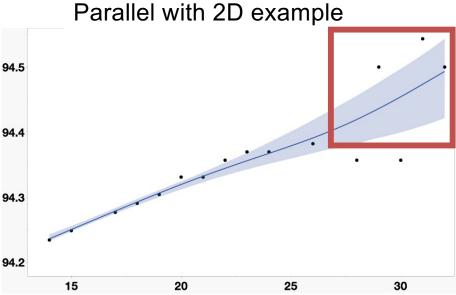
- 1. Uniform Space-Filling Design: 10 runs Initial exploration/verification
  - Calibrate model and obtain updated estimates of predicted uncertainty (via UQ)



- Calibrate and obtain new predicted uncertainty
- 3. Non-Uniform Space-Filling Design: 10 runs 944
  Target refined areas of uncertainty



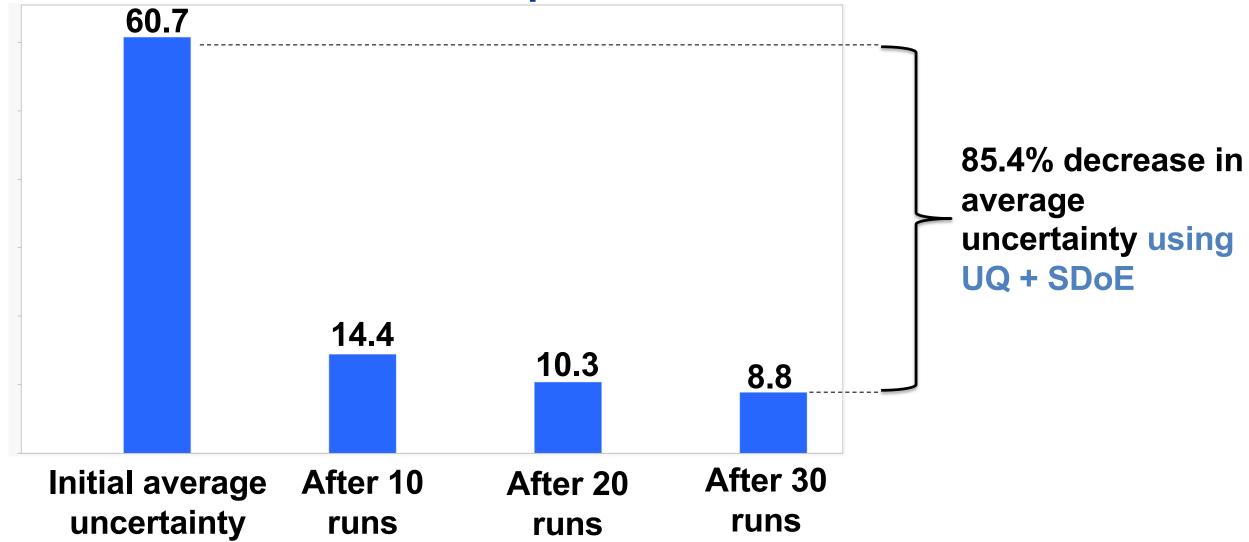






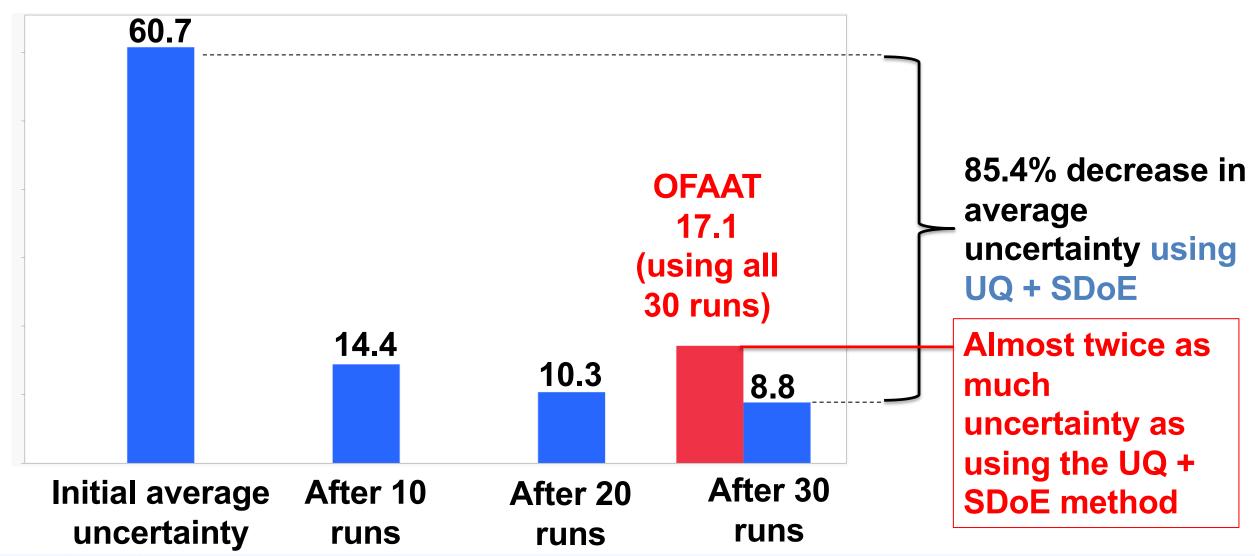
<sup>\*</sup>Using simulated data for this illustration

# UQ + SDoE Notably Reduces Uncertainty in MEA Absorption Column Model



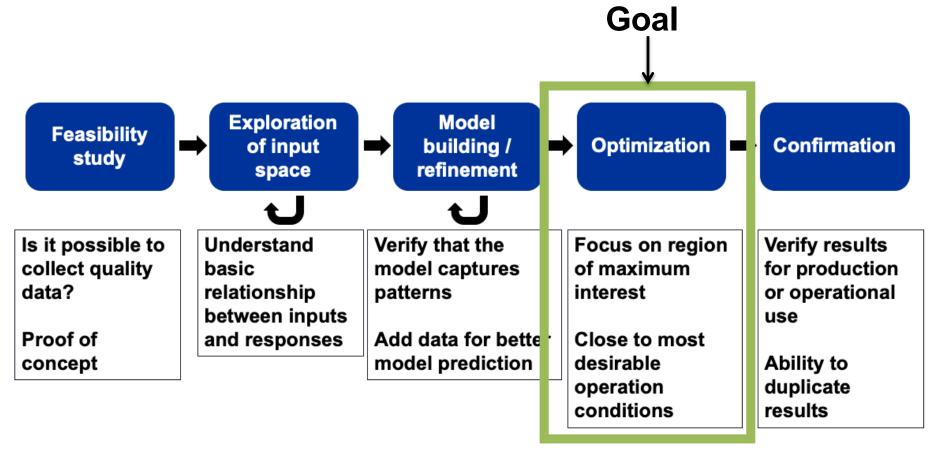


## **UQ + SDoE** Reduces Uncertainty; Reduces Risk





## Find Desirable Settings for MEA Absorption Column Model



## What input settings lead to maximum percent CO2 capture?

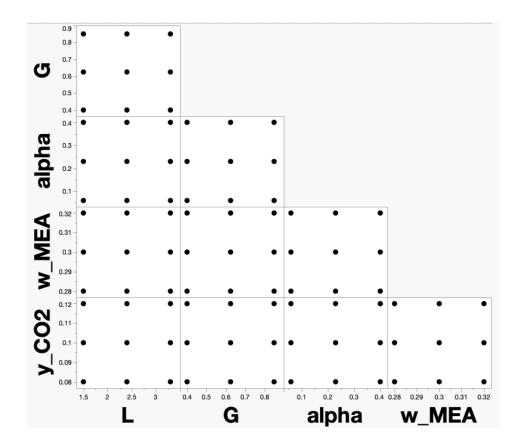
Demonstrate using empirical model-based designs (low-order polynomial approximation)



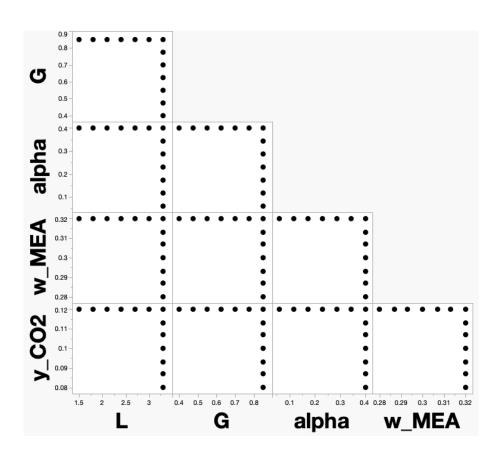
## **Compare to OFAAT**

## 17-run empirical model-based DoE





#### 30-run OFAAT





## **How Do the Empirical Models Perform?**

#### 30-run OFAAT

Model predicts best settings will lead to 69.3 %CO2 capture

with prediction interval (66.7, 71.8)

Validation run: 71.46% CO2 capture

That's inside the prediction interval. Success!



### **DoE Answer Looks Better**

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#### 17-run empirical model-based DoE

Model predicts best settings will lead to 81.3 %CO2 capture

with prediction interval (78.8, 83.8)

Validation run: 81.18% CO2 capture

That's inside the prediction interval and results in higher percent CO2 captured

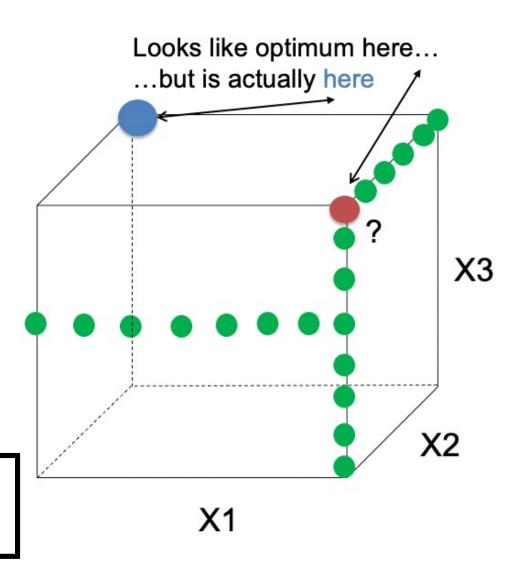
Real success!



## What happened with OFAAT?

- There was an interaction effect!
  - Liquid flowrate-lean loading interaction
  - OFAAT cannot detect
- Result: OFAAT suggested incorrect setting for liquid flowrate, leading to low %CO2 capture
  - OFAAT: L = 2.73
  - DoE (correct): L = 1.5
- DoE: identify true range of optimum and best settings

DoE reduces risk of incomplete answers, uses fewer resources, gets better results





# After the break – Technical Risk Reduction: Model Based Design of Experiments and Robust Optimization

Feasibility study

Exploration of input space

Model building / refinement

**Optimization** 

Confirmation



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Proof of concept

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Ability to duplicate results

Extends ideas from DoE to science-based models



## Wrap-Up

- Data collection method matters
  - Use statistical DoE
  - Strategic data collection to meet experimental objectives
- Use UQ to understand uncertainty
  - All models contain some uncertainty
  - Can't improve it without first knowing about it
- SDoE leverages UQ for targeted data collection
  - Directly incorporates knowledge of uncertainty to target, reduce
- UQ + SDoE: Value-add
  - Efficient use of resources
  - Increases efficacy
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