

# Functional data analysis tools for autonomous experimentation

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# Material solutions for modern challenges

- New and better materials can fundamentally change our future



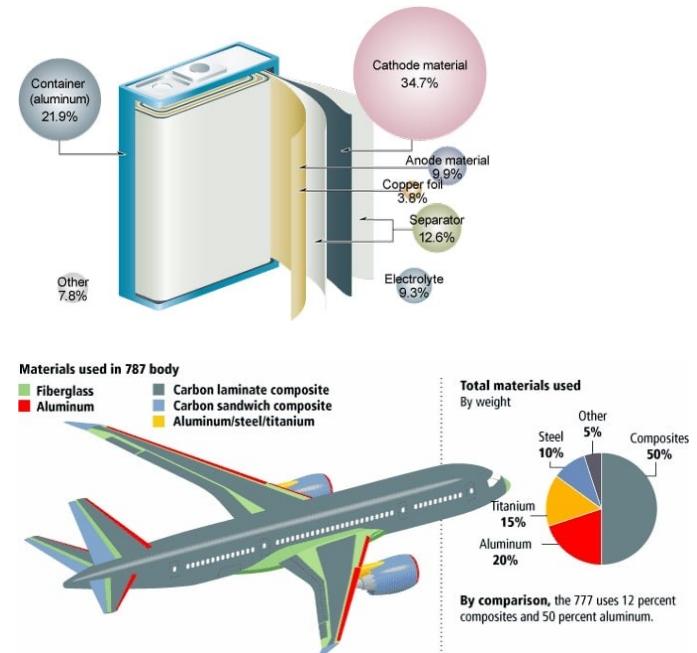
**The Nobel Prize** @NobelPrize

The 2023 #NobelPrize in Chemistry rewards the discovery and development of quantum dots, nanoparticles so tiny that their size determines their properties.

These particles have unique properties and now spread their light from television screens and LED lamps. They catalyse chemical reactions and their clear light can illuminate tumour tissue for a surgeon.

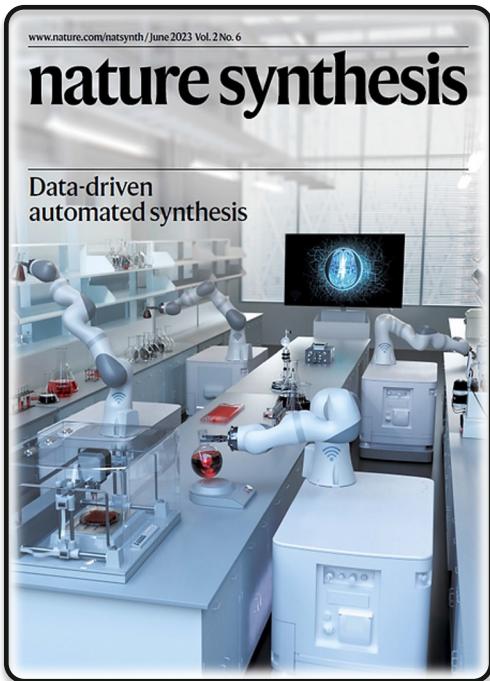
Researchers have primarily utilised quantum dots to create coloured light. They believe that in the future quantum dots can contribute to flexible electronics, minuscule sensors, slimmer solar cells and perhaps encrypted quantum communication.

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# Accelerating design & discovery of materials

- Improve materials timeline from decades to a few years

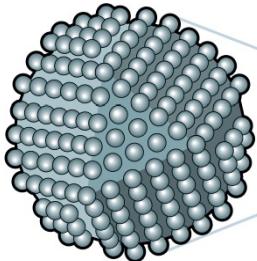


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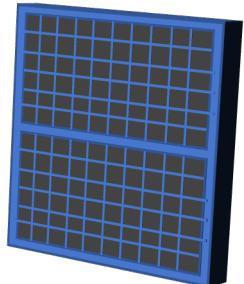
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# Nanomaterials in everyday life...

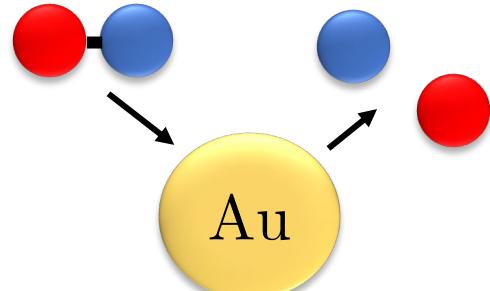


## High-Efficiency Solar Cells



Omrani, M., Keshavarzi, R., Abdi-Jalebi,  
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## Catalysis with high activity and selectivity



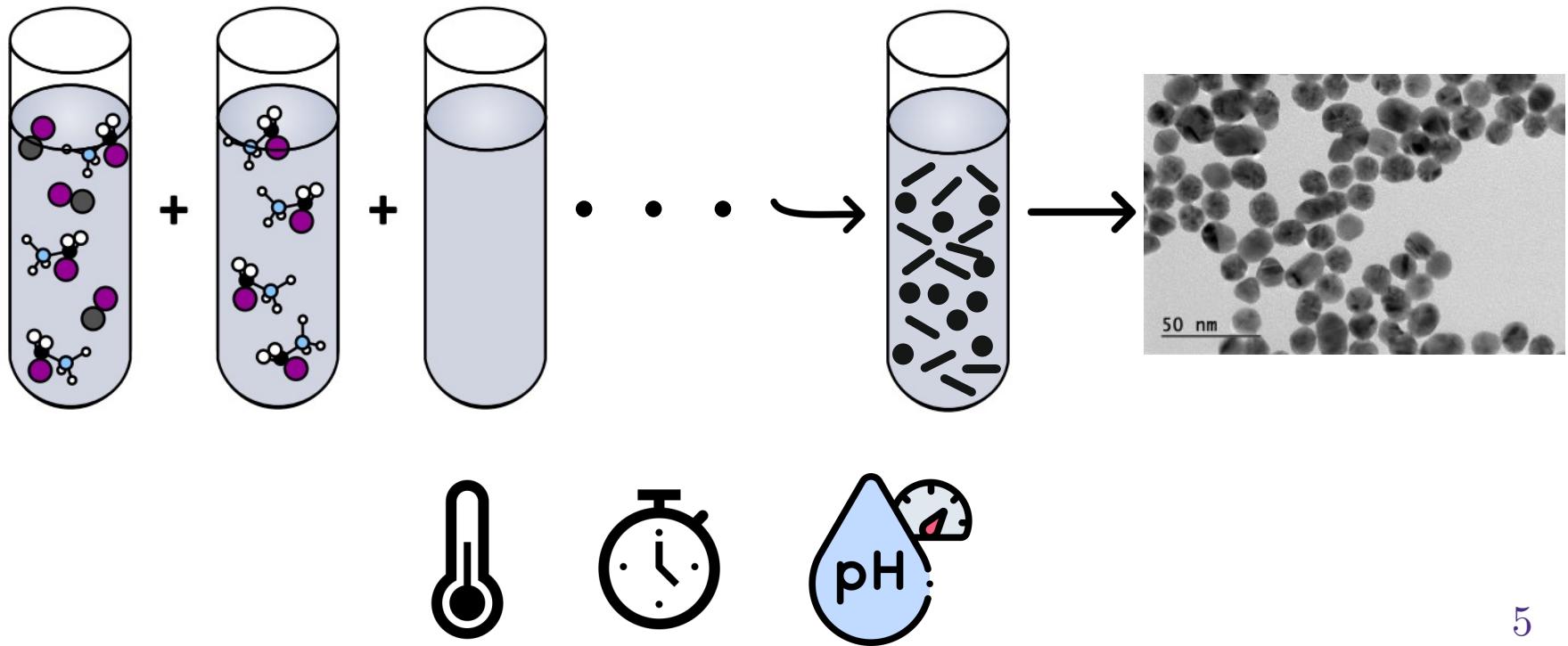
Steven Chavez, Umar Aslam, and Suljo Linic, *ACS Energy Letters* 2018

## High-Performance Batteries

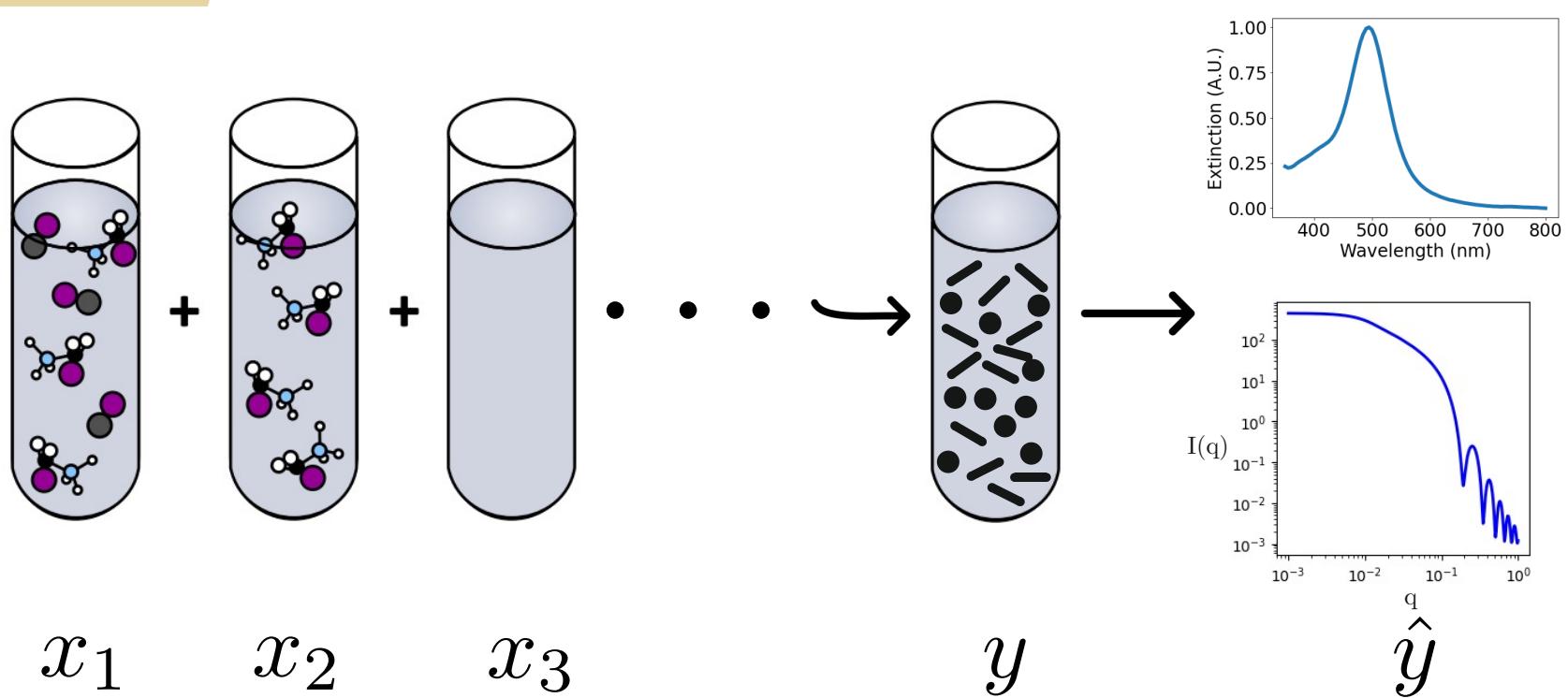


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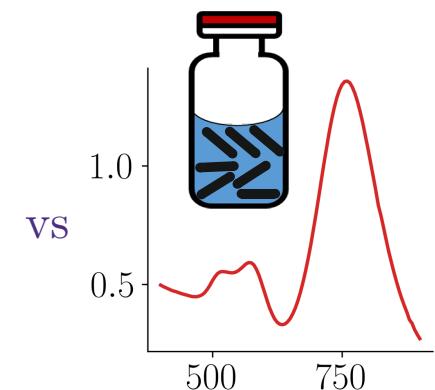
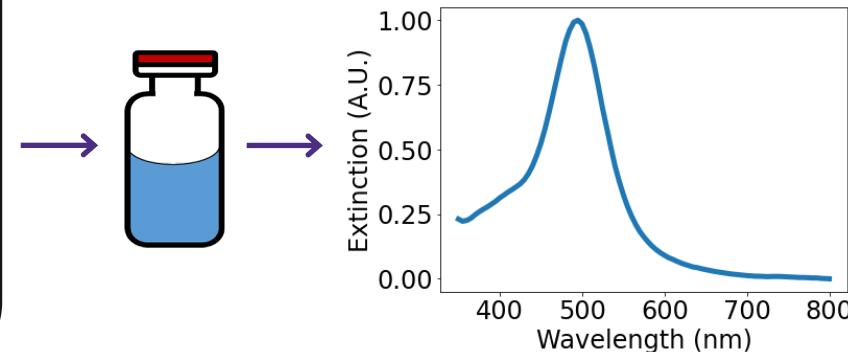
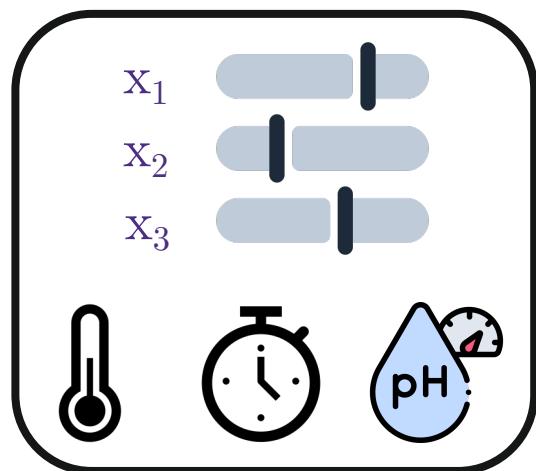
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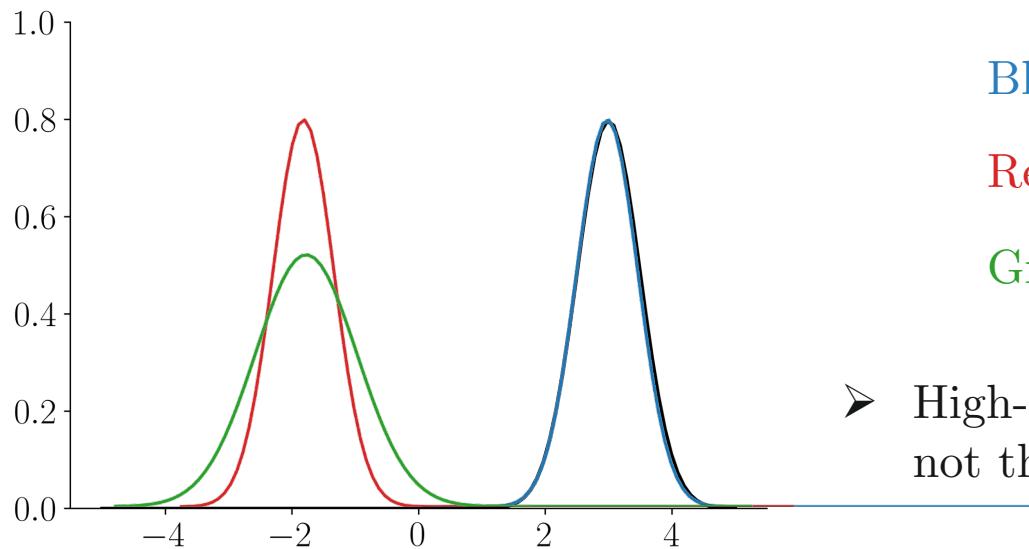
# Optimizing experimental frameworks



- Challenge: Blackbox optimization and Comparing spectral data

# Comparing spectra – Euclidean distance

$$d(y, y^*) = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - y_i^*)^2$$



Blue : 3.34

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Red : 3.34

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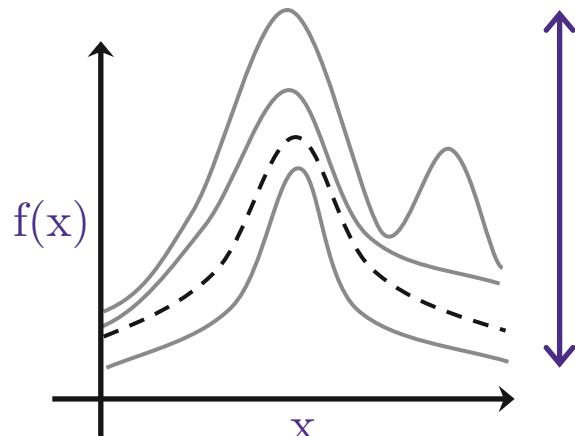
Green : 3.01

- High-dimensional Euclidean is not the “right” representation

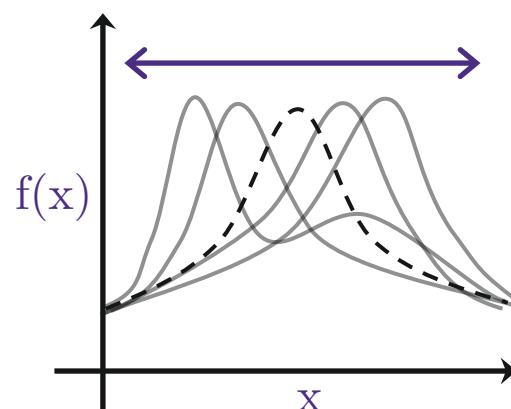
# Comparing spectra – Functional Data Analysis

- Shape mismatch = distance along y-axis + x-axis

Amplitude distance

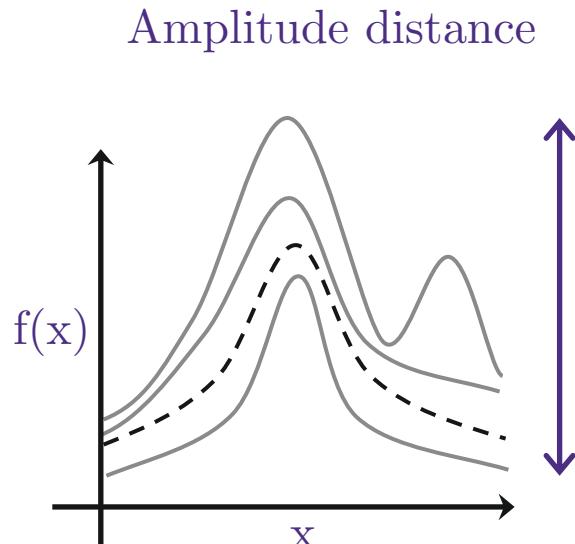


Phase distance



# Amplitude distance

- Shape mismatch = distance along y-axis + x-axis



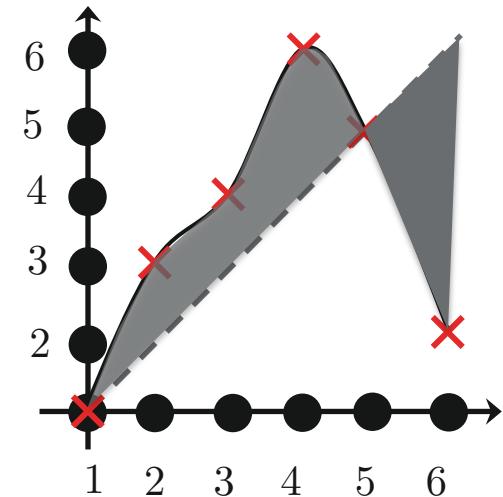
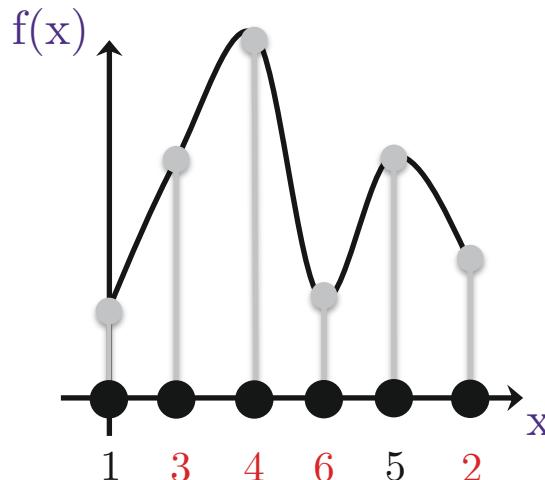
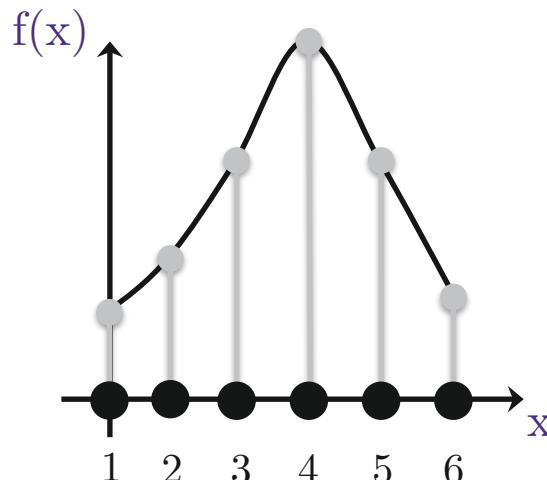
- Measures how fast the curve changes

$$q = \sqrt{\dot{f}(x)}$$

- Distance using function norm

$$d(q_1, q_2) = \int_0^1 (q_1(x) - q_2(x))^2 \, dx$$

# Phase distance & Warping functions

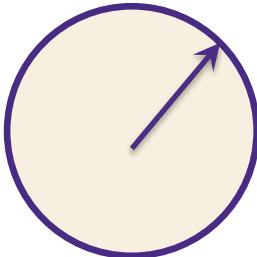


- Has identity, inverse, and a transformation – Group!

# Differential geometry of Warping functions

$\gamma : [0, 1] \mapsto [0, 1]$  with  $\gamma(0) = 0$  and  $\gamma(1) = 1$

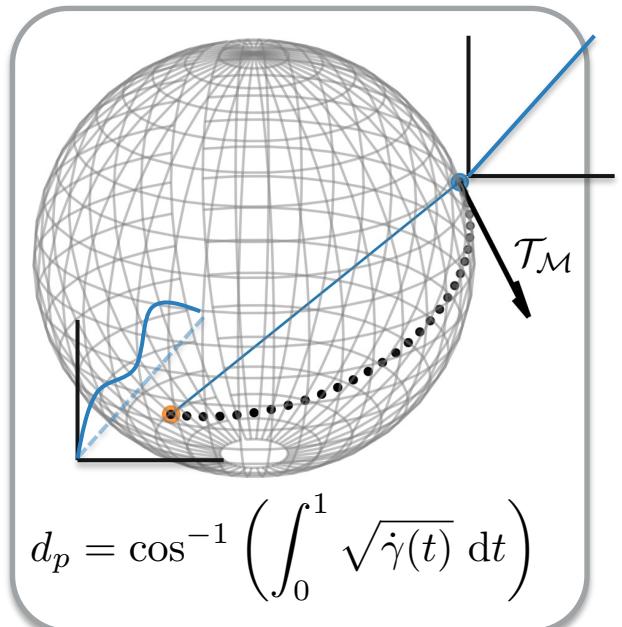
$$x^2 + y^2 = 1$$



$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$$

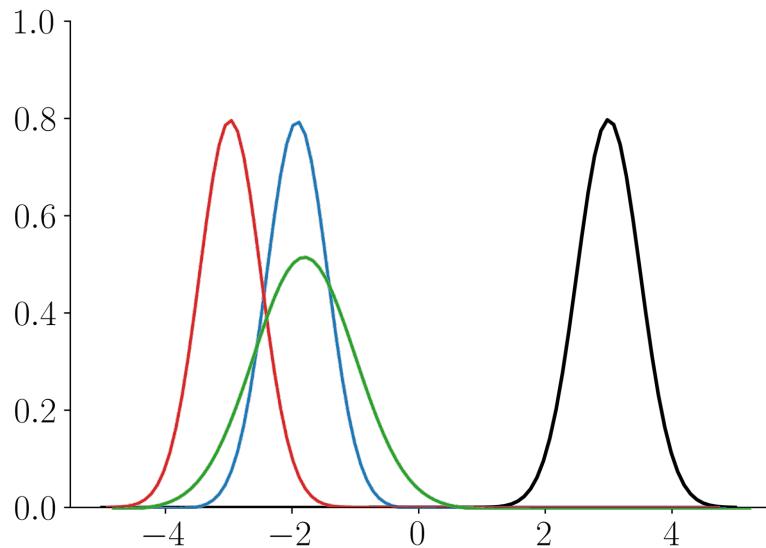


$$\|q_\gamma\|_{\mathbb{L}^2} = \int_0^1 q_\gamma^2(t) \, dt = \int_0^1 \dot{\gamma}(t) \, dt = \gamma(1) - \gamma(0) = 1$$



# Comparing spectra – Amplitude-Phase distance

$$d(y, y^*) = d_{\text{amplitude}} + d_{\text{phase}}$$



Blue : 0.21

Red : 0.34

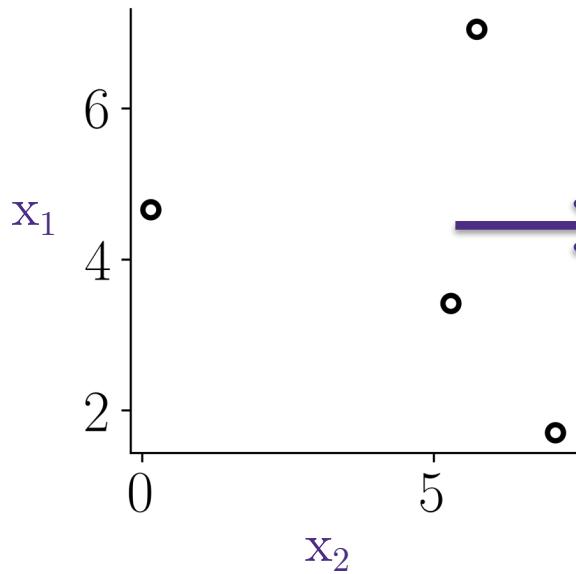
Green : 0.32

- AP distance clearly captures the shape based similarity

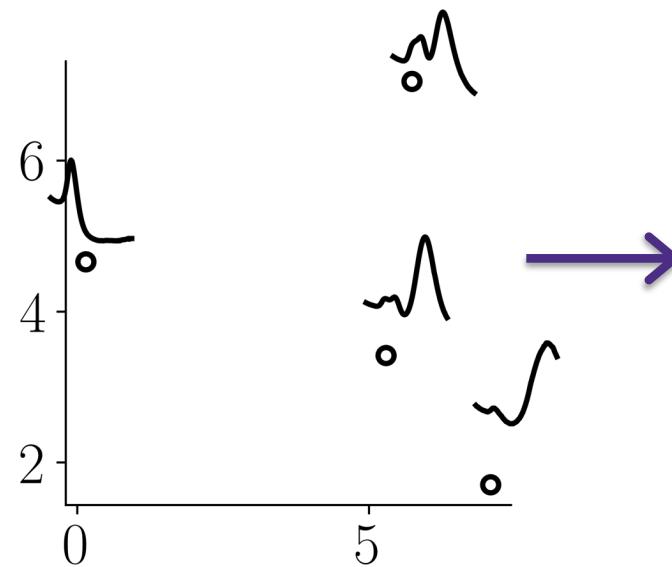
# Solution : Batch synthesis + Bayesian opt.



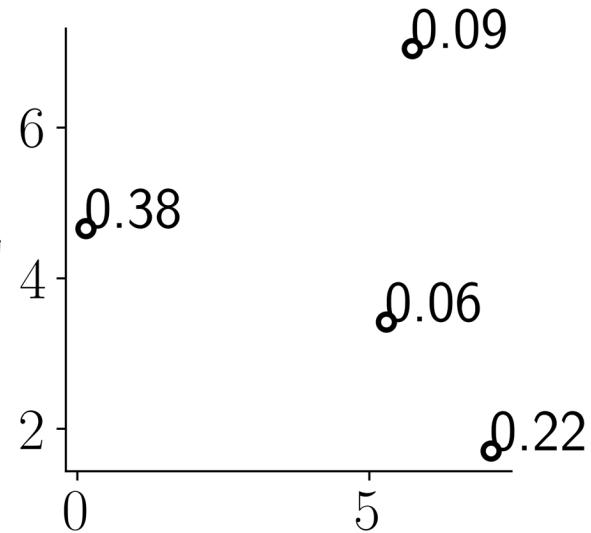
Sample design space



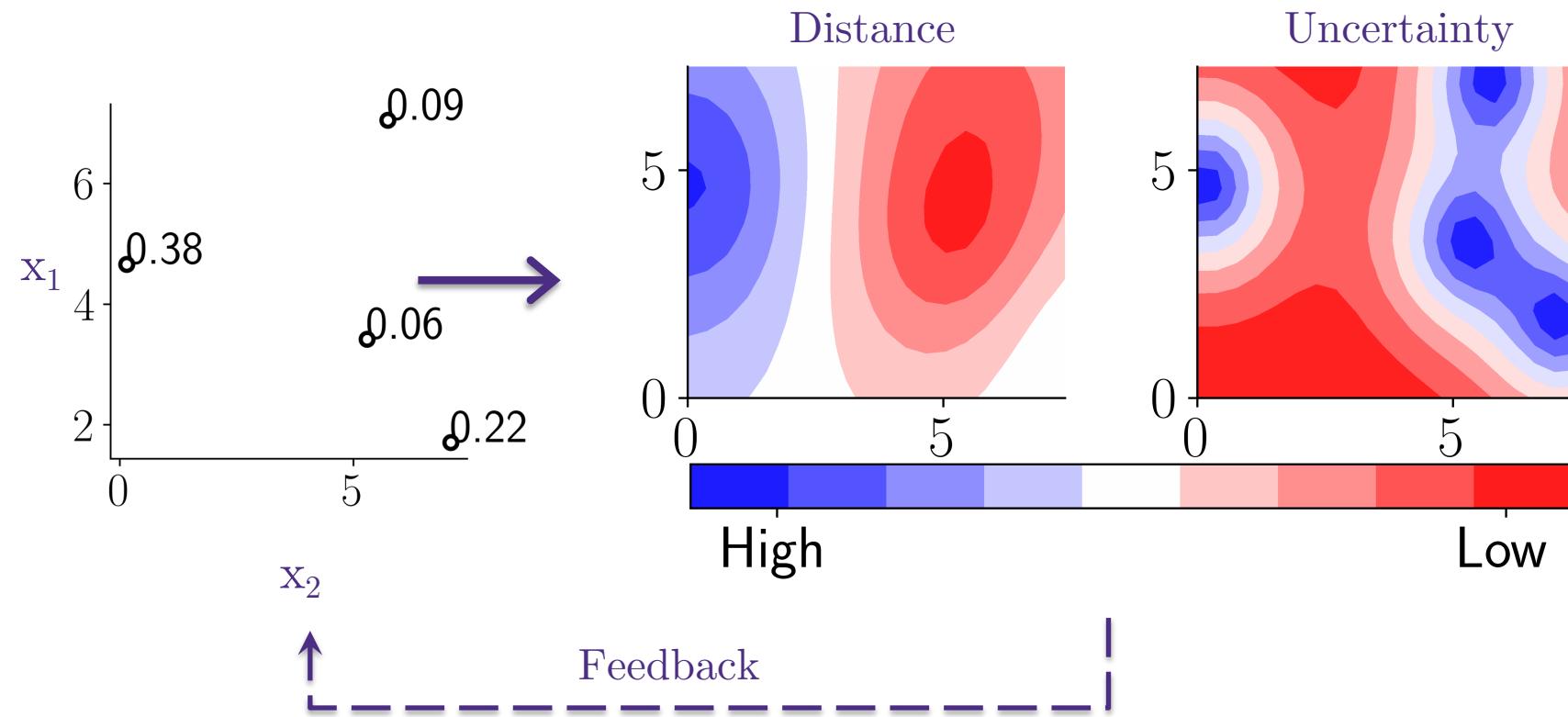
Synthesize & Measure



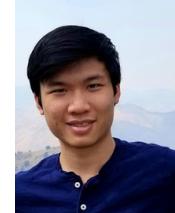
Similarity to target



# Solution : Gaussian process as surrogate

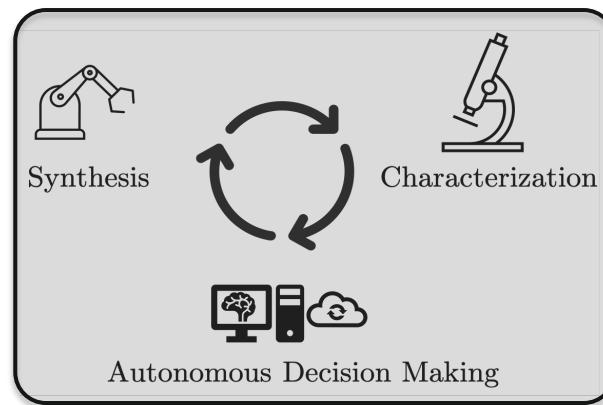
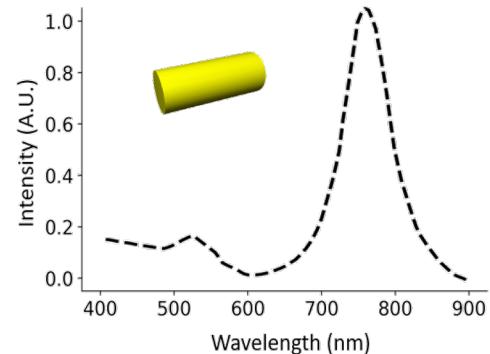


# 8D Optimization – Gold nanoparticles



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Experimental Design Space	
Reagent	Concentration Range (mM)
CTAB	0 – 75
Gold Chloride	0 – 0.15
Silver Nitrate	0 – 0.06
Ascorbic Acid	0 – 0.64
Gold Seeds	0 – 0.06
Hydrochloric Acid	0 – 14
Sodium Hydroxide	0 – 7.2
Sodium Chloride	0 – 14



# Using Euclidean distance as target

Iteration 0

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v\_r\_l\_u\_n\_u\_w\_n\_r  
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Iteration 1

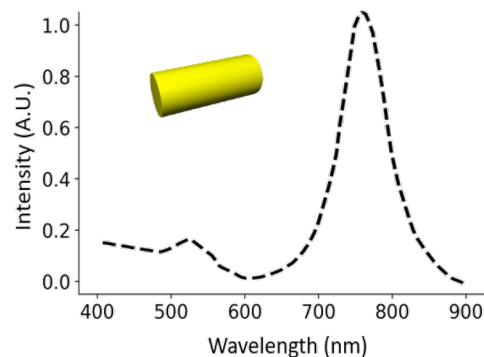
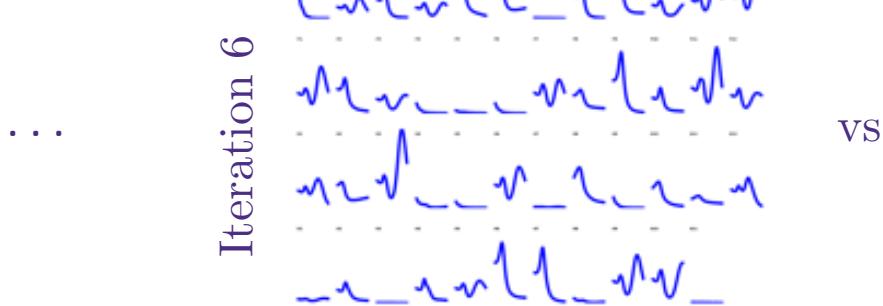
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Iteration 2

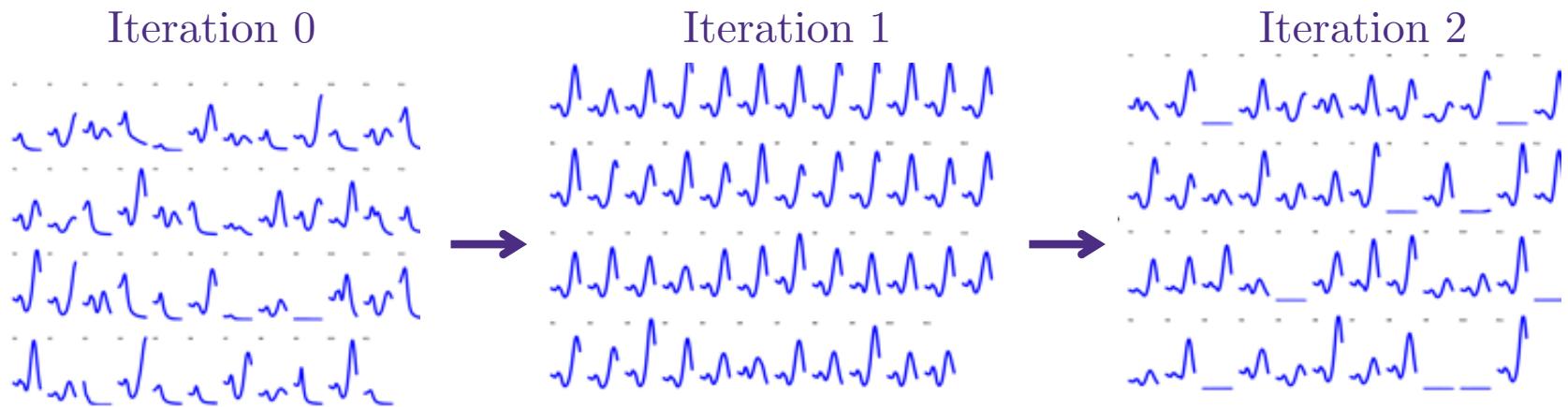
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# Using Euclidean distance as target



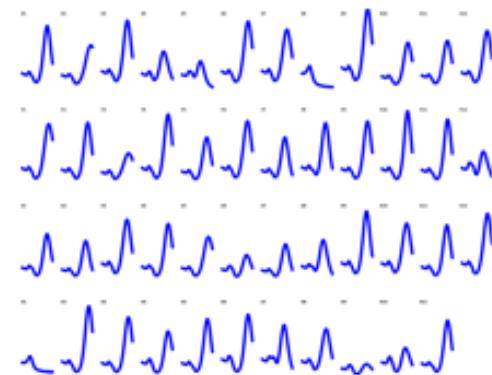
- We make almost NONE that looks like our target

# Using Amplitude-Phase distance as target

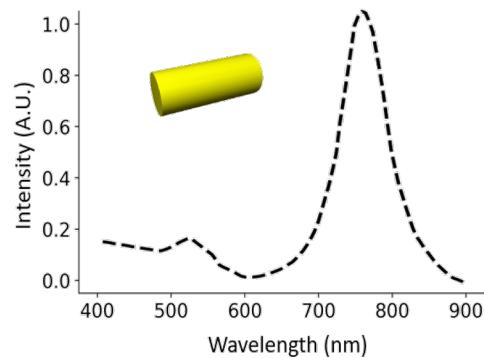


# Using Amplitude-Phase distance as target

... vs Iteration 6



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- We make almost EVERYTHING that looks like our target

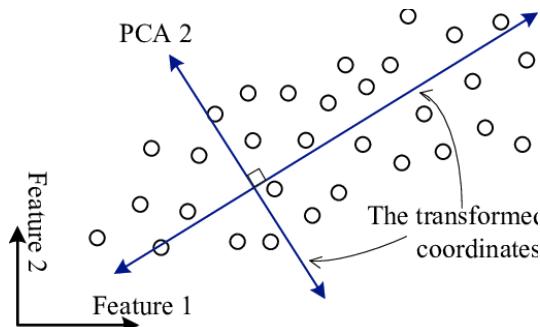
# PCA for functional data

- Low-dimension projection of vectors

$$\tilde{X}_{n \times d} = VY_{n \times q} \quad \tilde{X} = X - \mu$$

- Minimal covariance projection

$$V = \text{SVD}\left(\text{Var}(\tilde{X})\right)$$

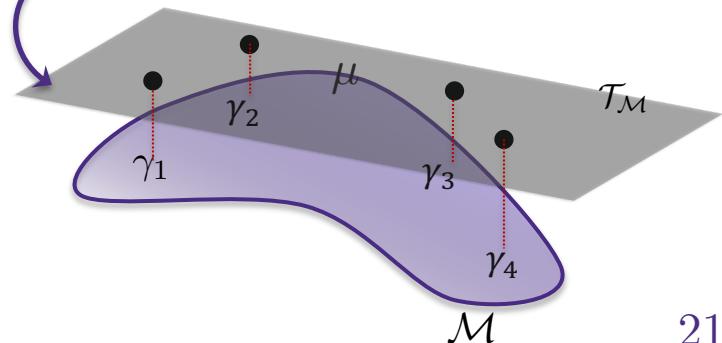


- PCA for Functional data:

$$\mu = \operatorname{argmin}_f \sum_{i=1}^n \text{dist}(f, f_i)^2$$

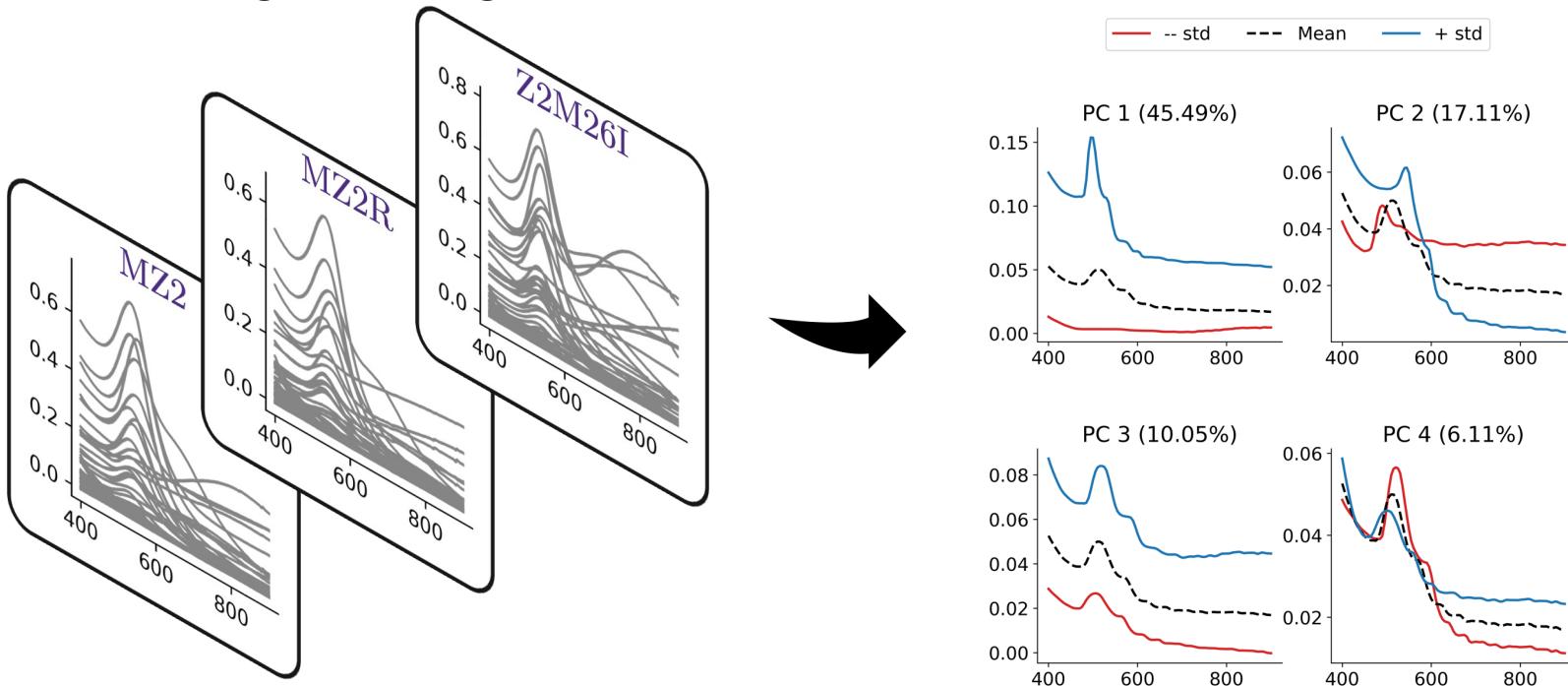
Amplitude variance:  $\text{Var}(\{\tilde{f}_i\})$

Phase variance:  $\text{Var}(\{\mu \circ \gamma_i\})$



# Data exploration using Functional PCA

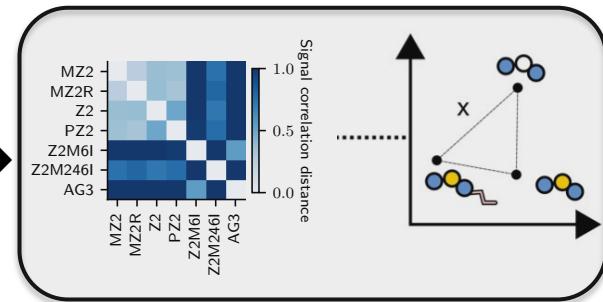
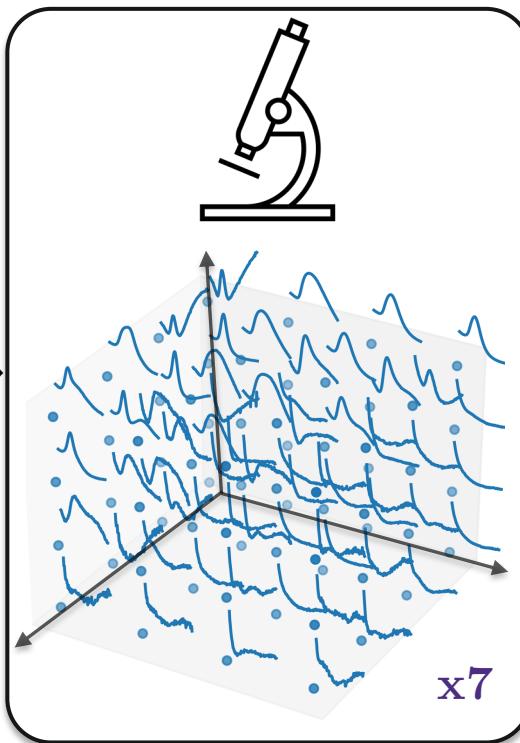
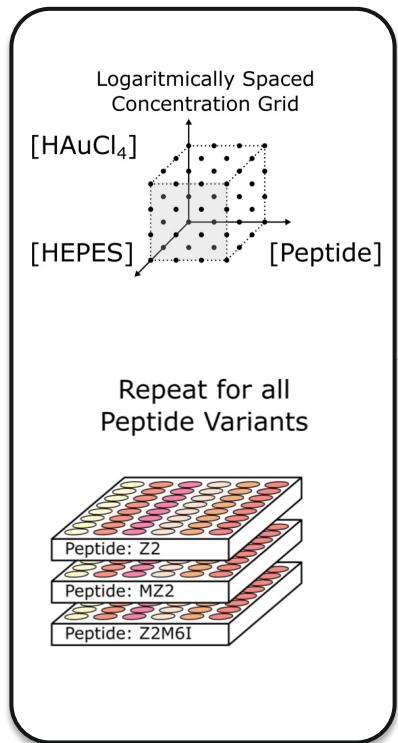
- Fitting a linear ‘generative’ model to functional data



# Exploratory studies

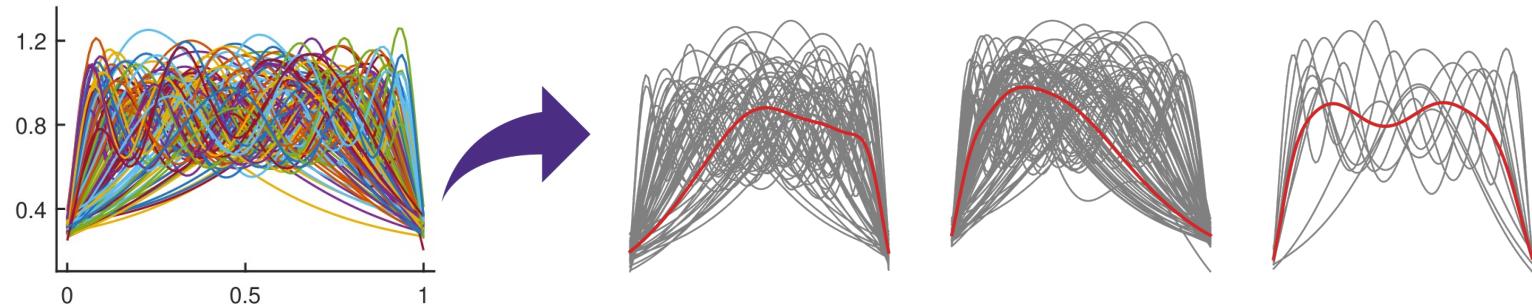


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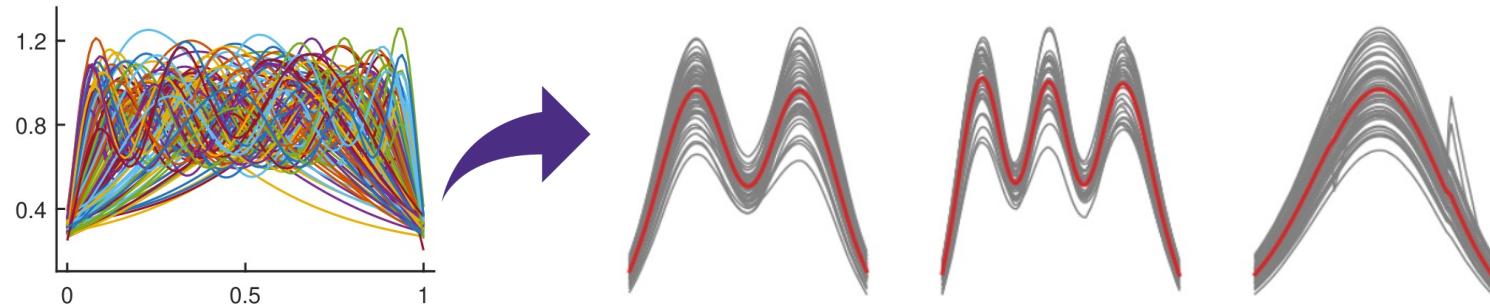
# Functional k-means clustering

- Learn templates and assignment rules based on Euclidean distance



# Functional k-means clustering

- Learn templates and assignment rules based on Shape distance

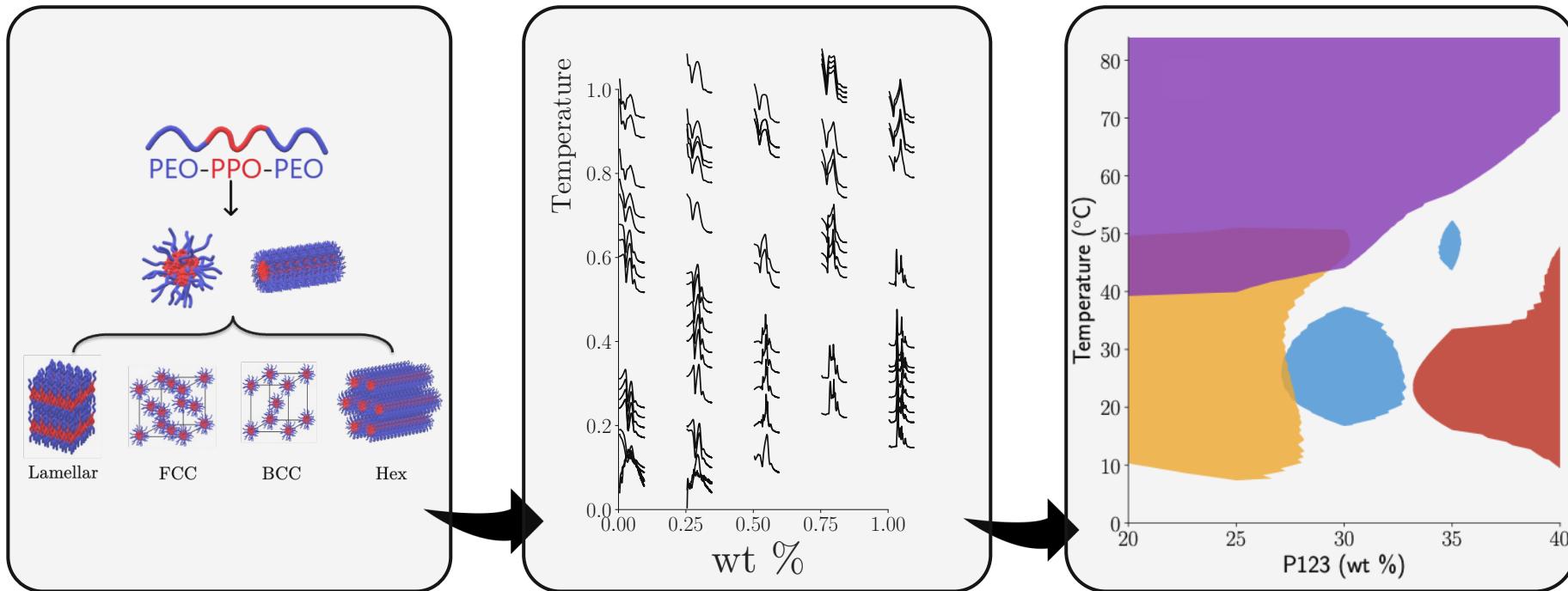


- Similarity to XRD/SAXS phase assignment: shifts via lattice expansion or broadened peaks are not a characteristic of the structure

# Phase regions -- design of experiments & knowledge extraction



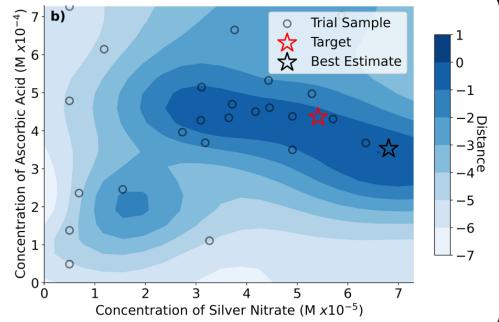
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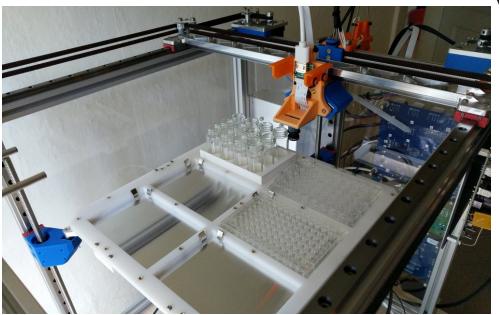
# Conclusions

- High Throughput Experimentation needs **new computational tools**
- Combine **autonomous decision-making** with automation to unlock the full potential
- A careful rethink of **surrogate models** and **data representations**
- The **geometry of functions** -- encode the ‘physics’ into data-driven workflows

AI-Driven Materials Exploration



Robotic Automation



HTE Characterization



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# Resources

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## Autonomous retrosynthesis of gold nanoparticles *via* spectral shape matching<sup>†</sup>

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DOI: [10.1039/D3DD00105A](https://doi.org/10.1039/D3DD00105A) (Paper) *Digital Discovery*, 2023, **2**, 1471-1483

## Metric geometry tools for automatic structure phase map generation<sup>†</sup>

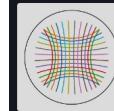
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## Multivariate analysis of peptide-driven nucleation and growth of Au nanoparticles<sup>†</sup>

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## Geomstats



Geomstats is an open-source Python package for computations, statistics, and machine learning on nonlinear manifolds. Data from many application fields are elements of manifolds. For instance, the manifold of 3D rotations  $SO(3)$  naturally appears when performing statistical learning on articulated objects like the human spine or robotics arms. Likewise, shape spaces modeling biological shapes or other natural shapes are manifolds. Additional examples are introduced in Geomstats paper. Geomstats' [source code](#) is freely available on GitHub.

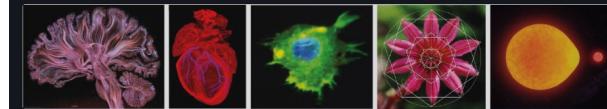


Figure: Shapes in natural sciences can be represented as data points on "manifolds". Images credits: Self Reflected, [Greg Dunn Neuro Art](#), British Art Foundation, Ashok Prasad, Matematik Duyunsi, Gabriel Pérez.

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