

# Mitigating the Cost of PDE-constrained Bayesian Inverse Problems Using Dimensionality Reduction and Machine Learning

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# Sampling-based Bayesian Inference

$$y = \mathcal{F}(x(z)) + \epsilon \quad (1)$$

where,

$y$  represents the observables or the quantity of interest

$\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma_y)$  is the observation noise

$\mathcal{F}$  is the parameter-to-observable map (deterministic)

$x(z)$  represents the state and  $z$  represents the parameters

# Sampling-based Bayesian Inference

$$y = \mathcal{F}(x(z)) + \epsilon$$

Bayes Rule:

$$p(z|y) = \frac{p(y|z)p(z)}{p(y)} \quad (2)$$

Likelihood function takes the form:

$$p(y|z) = \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{F}(x(z)), \Sigma_y) \quad (3)$$

For sampling-based Bayesian inference, many evaluations of the costly  $\mathcal{F}$  operator is necessary.

**Idea:** Approximate  $\mathcal{F}$  in a computationally cheaper manner

# General Nonlinear Dynamical System

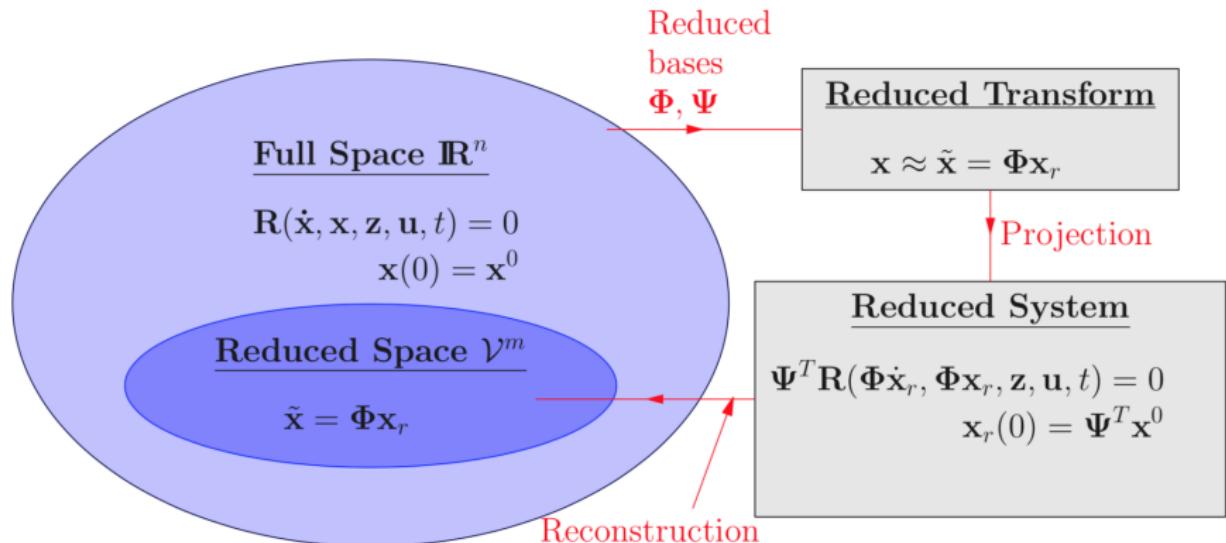


Figure: general projection-based model order reduction<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Bui-Thanh, Tan. *Model-constrained optimization methods for reduction of parameterized large-scale systems*. Diss. Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2007.

## Constructing a trial reduced basis $\Phi$

Given current basis  $\Phi$ , find the location in the parameter space of maximum QoI error by solving:

$$\max_{x, x_r, z} \mathcal{G} = \frac{1}{2} \|y - y_r\|_O^2 \quad (4)$$

subject to

$$R(\dot{x}, x, z, u(t), t) = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$x(0) = x^0 \quad (6)$$

$$y = \mathcal{P}(x, z, u(t), t) \quad (7)$$

$$\Psi^T R(\Phi \dot{x}_r, \Phi x_r, z, u(t), t) = 0 \quad (8)$$

$$x_r(0) = \Psi^T x^0 \quad (9)$$

$$y_r = \mathcal{P}(\Phi x_r, z, u, u(t), t) \quad (10)$$

$$z_{\min} \leq z \leq z_{\max} \quad (11)$$

# Constructing a trial reduced basis $\Phi$

**Algorithm:** Model-Constrained Adaptive Sampling Procedure <sup>2</sup>

1. Given a reduced basis  $\Phi$  and initial guess  $z^0$ , find  $z^* = \text{argmax} \mathcal{G}(z)$ .
2. If  $\mathcal{G}(z^*) < \epsilon$ , where  $\epsilon$  is the desired level of accuracy, then terminate then algorithm.
3. Else, with  $z = z^*$ , solve full system to compute state  $x(z^*, t)$  and use span of these solutions to update  $\Phi$ . Go to step 1.

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## Full steady system

$$A(z)x = B(z), \quad y = C(z)x \quad (12)$$

Define the residual as,

$$R(\Phi x_r, z) = B(z) - A(z)\Phi x_r \quad (13)$$

and this projection-based model order reduction technique will yield the reduced system of the form

$$A_r(z)x_r = B_r(z), \quad y_r = C_r(z)x_r \quad (14)$$

where

$$A_r(z) = \Psi^T A(z)\Phi$$

$$B_r(z) = \Psi^T B(z)$$

$$C_r(z) = C(z)\Phi$$

# Reduced Order Model Error

Error in the quantity of interest between the full order model and the reduced order model

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_{\text{true}}(z, \Phi) &= y(z) - y_r(z, \Phi) \\ &= C(z)x - C_r(z)x_r \\ &= C(z)(x - \Phi x_r) \\ &= C(z)(x - \tilde{x})\end{aligned}$$

**Idea:** Predict this error using a deep learning model.  $\epsilon_{\text{true}} \approx \epsilon_{\text{NN}}$

$$\tilde{y} = y_r(z, \Phi) + \epsilon_{\text{NN}} \tag{15}$$

# Steady Thermal Fin Heat Conduction

**Problem Definition:** The steady-state temperature distribution within the fin,  $w$ , is governed by the following elliptic PDE:

$$-\kappa \nabla^2 w = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega \quad (16)$$

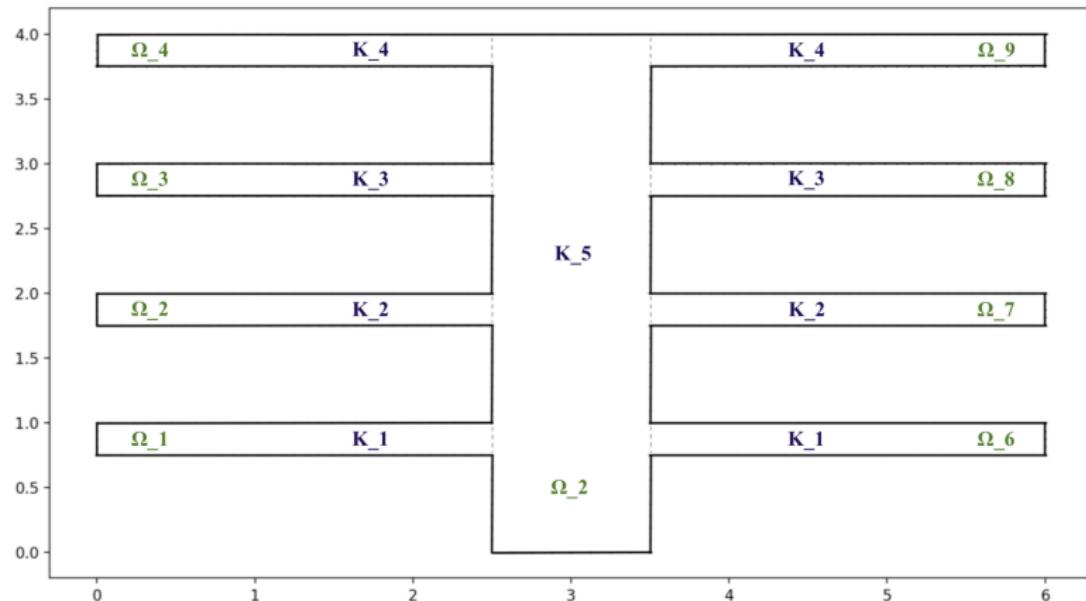
$$-\kappa (\nabla w \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}) = \text{Bi} w \quad \text{on } \Gamma^{\text{ext}} \setminus \Gamma^{\text{root}} \quad (17)$$

$$-\kappa (\nabla w \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}) = -1 \quad \text{on } \Gamma^{\text{root}} \quad (18)$$

- $\kappa$  denotes the thermal heat conductivity
- Bi is the Biot number
- $\Omega$  is the physical domain describing the thermal fin
- $\Gamma^{\text{root}}$  is the bottom edge of the fin
- $\Gamma^{\text{ext}}$  is the exterior edges of the fin
- Equation (17) model convective heat losses to the external surface
- Equation (18) model the heat source at the root

# Parameter Setup

The problem is parametrized by  $z = \{k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4, k_5\}$  denoting thermal conductivities of sub-fin regions. Assume that  $0.1 \leq k_i \leq 10$ .



## Weak Form

The temperature distribution  $w$  belongs to  $H^1(\overline{\Omega})$ , where  $\overline{\Omega} = \sum_{i=1}^9 \overline{\Omega}_i$ , and satisfies the following weak form.

$$a(w, v) = l(v), \forall v \in H^1(\overline{\Omega}) \quad (19)$$

where the bilinear form  $a$  is given as,

$$a(w, v) = \int_{\overline{\Omega}} k \nabla w \cdot \nabla v \, d\overline{\Omega} + \text{Bi} \int_{\overline{\Gamma}^{\text{ext}} \setminus \Gamma^{\text{root}}} w v \, d\overline{\Gamma} \quad (20)$$

and the linear form  $l$  is given as

$$l(v) = \int_{\Gamma^{\text{root}}} v \, d\overline{\Gamma} \quad (21)$$

# Matrix form and quantity of interest

The quantity of interest is the average temperature over the thermal fin:

$$y = \frac{\int_{\Omega} w \, d\Omega}{\int_{\Omega} d\Omega} \quad (22)$$

The weak form can be written in the matrix form as:

$$A(z)x = B(z), \quad y = C(z)x \quad (23)$$

where  $x$  is the nodal temperature value vector.

# Deep Feed Forward Neural Network

$$y = W_n^T \sigma(W_{n-1}^T \dots \sigma(W_1^T x) \dots)$$

Parameters:

$$\theta = \{W_1, W_2, \dots, W_n\}$$

Error:

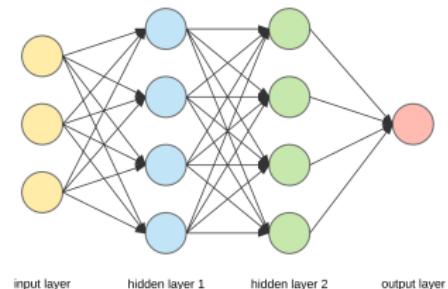
$$J(\theta) = y_{\text{true}} - y_{\text{pred}}(\theta)$$

Loss function (e.g. mean square error):

$$\text{loss}(\theta) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N |y_{\text{true}}^i - y_{\text{pred}}^i(\theta)|^2$$

Update weights: (e.g. SGD)

$$\theta = \theta - \eta \nabla_{\theta} J(\theta; y_{\text{true}}, y_{\text{pred}}^i)$$



**Figure:** dense feed forward neural network  
(<https://towardsdatascience.com>)

# Structure of the neural network

**Input:**  $z = \{k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4, k_5\}$  (thermal conductivity of sub-fins)

**Output:**  $\epsilon_{\text{NN}} \approx y - y_r$

**Data:**  $(z^i, y^i - y_r^i)$  obtained by simultaneously running full order model and reduced order model for the same parameters  $z_i$ .

# Hyperparameters

Number of hidden layers

Number of weights per hidden layer

Choice of activation function

Choice of optimizer and learning rate

Batch size

Number of epochs

# Bayesian optimization of hyperparameters

## Parametrize validation error

Let  $\theta^H$  be the selected hyperparameters.

Let  $\theta$  be the associated trained weights of the neural network.

$$loss_{\text{val}}(\theta^H) = \frac{1}{N_{\text{val}}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{val}}} \frac{|\epsilon_{\text{true}}^i - \epsilon_{\text{NN}}^i(\theta, \theta^H)|}{|\epsilon_{\text{true}}^i|}$$

where

$$\epsilon_{\text{true}} = y(z) - y_r(z, \Phi)$$

# Bayesian optimization of hyperparameters

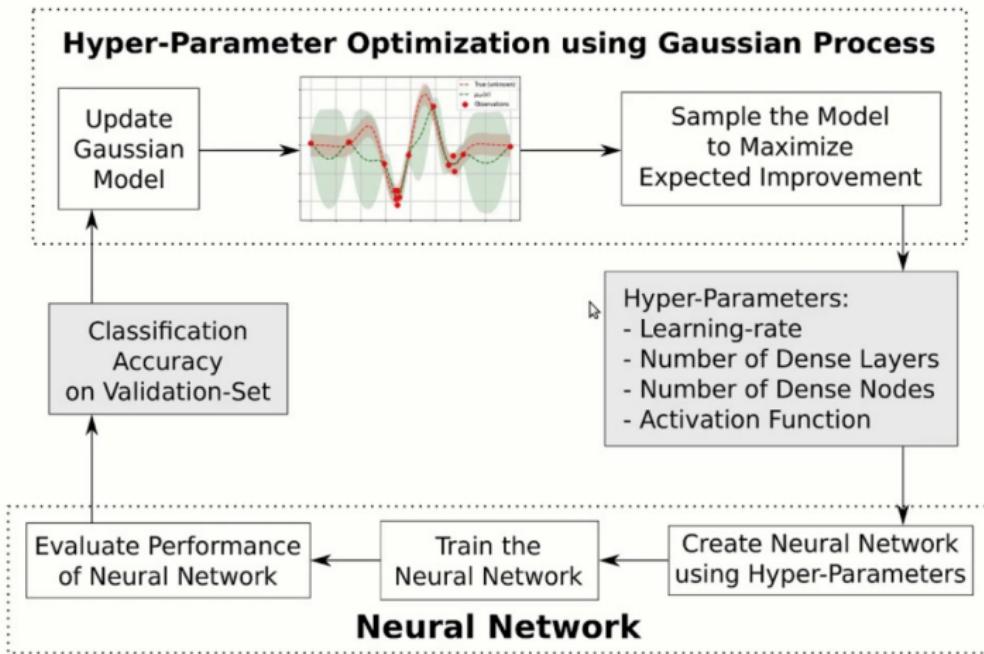


Figure: Flow of Bayesian optimization<sup>3</sup>

<sup>3</sup><https://github.com/Hvass-Labs>

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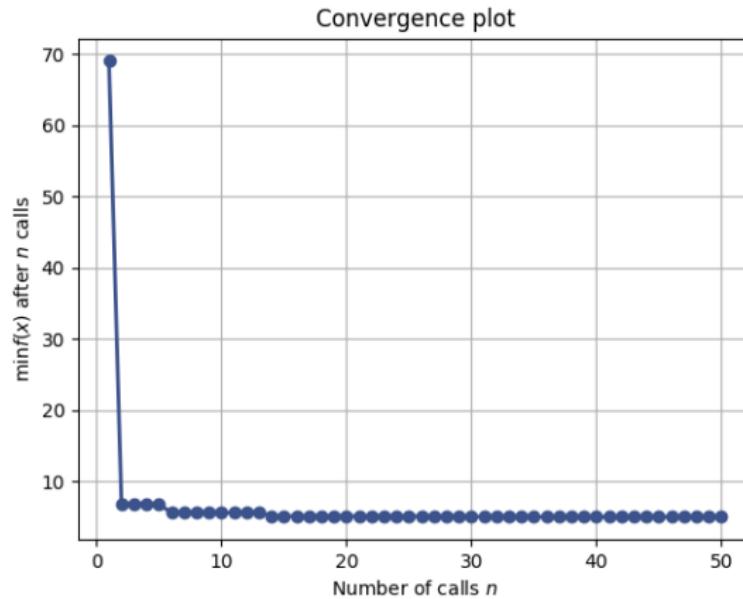
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space = [Categorical(['relu', 'sigmoid', 'tanh'], name='activation'),  
        Categorical([Adam, RMSprop, Adadelta], name='optimizer'),  
        Real(1e-4, 1, prior="log-uniform", name='lr'),  
        Integer(1, 6, name='n_hidden_layers'),  
        Integer(10, 100, name='n_weights'),  
        Integer(10, 200, name='batch_size'),  
        Integer(100, 400, name='n_epochs')]  
  
res_gp = gp_minimize(objective, space, n_calls=50, random_state=0)
```

Simple implementation using `scikit-optimize`.<sup>4</sup> objective function maps given choices of hyperparameters to the average relative validation error.

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<sup>4</sup><https://scikit-optimize.github.io/>

# Hyperparameters



A few important hyperparameters for this problem (epoch size in this case).

# Deep Neural Network Architecture

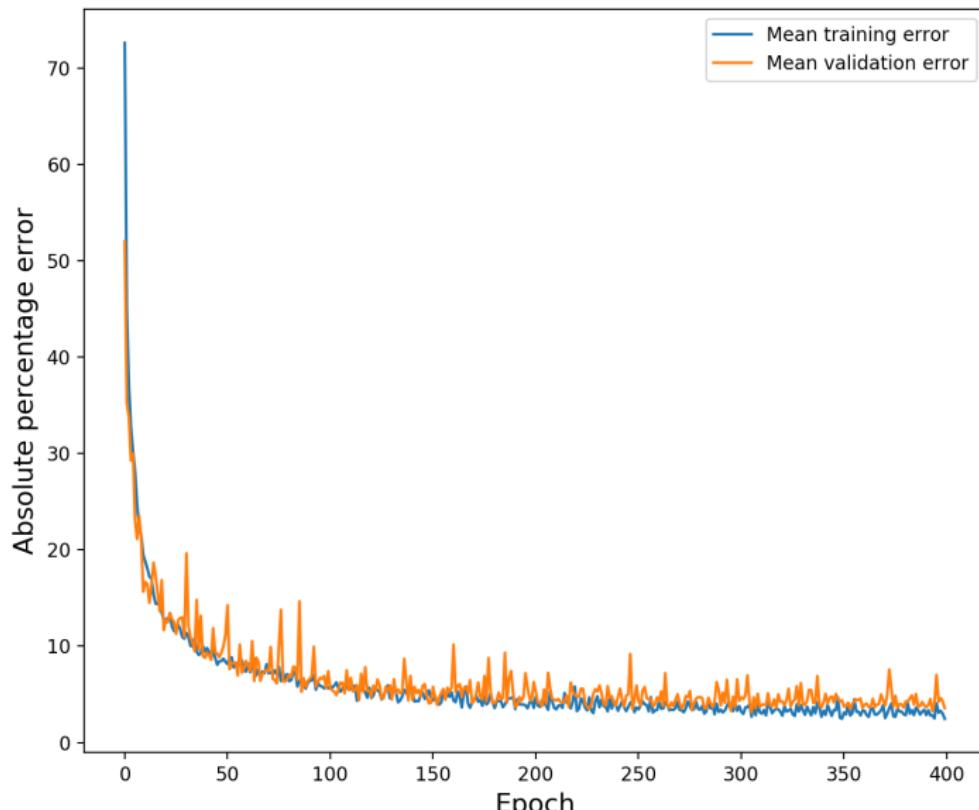
Hyperparameters for the deep neural network after 50 train and evaluate cycles (3.5% average validation error):

- Number of hidden layers: 6
- Number of neurons per hidden layer: 100
- Optimizer: Adam<sup>5</sup>
- Learning rate: 0.0001
- Activation function: Rectified Linear Unit
- Number of epochs: 400
- Batch size: 10

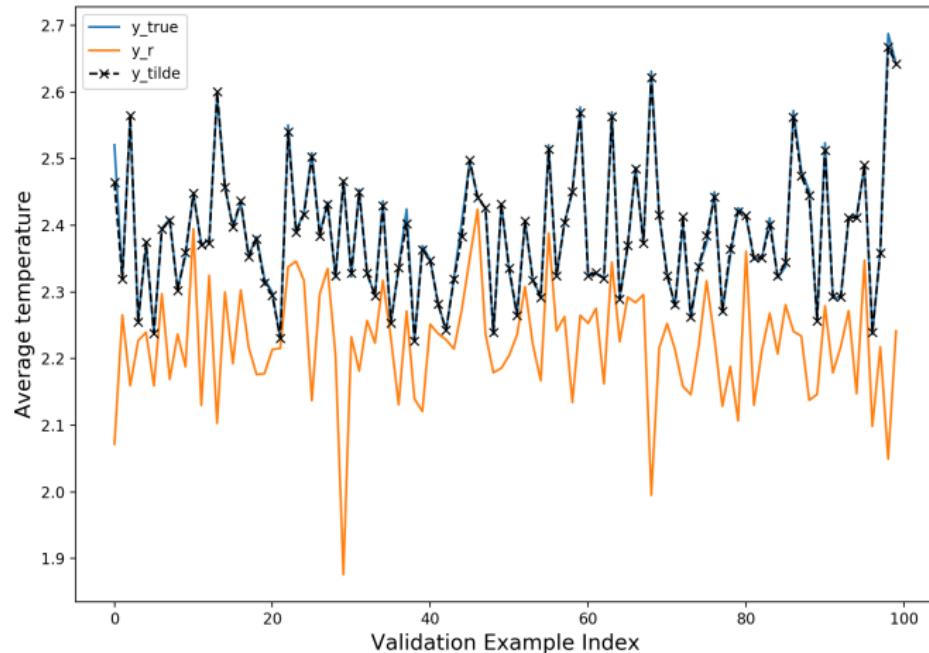
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<sup>5</sup>Kingma, Diederik P., and Jimmy Ba. "Adam: A method for stochastic optimization." arXiv preprint arXiv:1412.6980 (2014).

# Training error and validation error

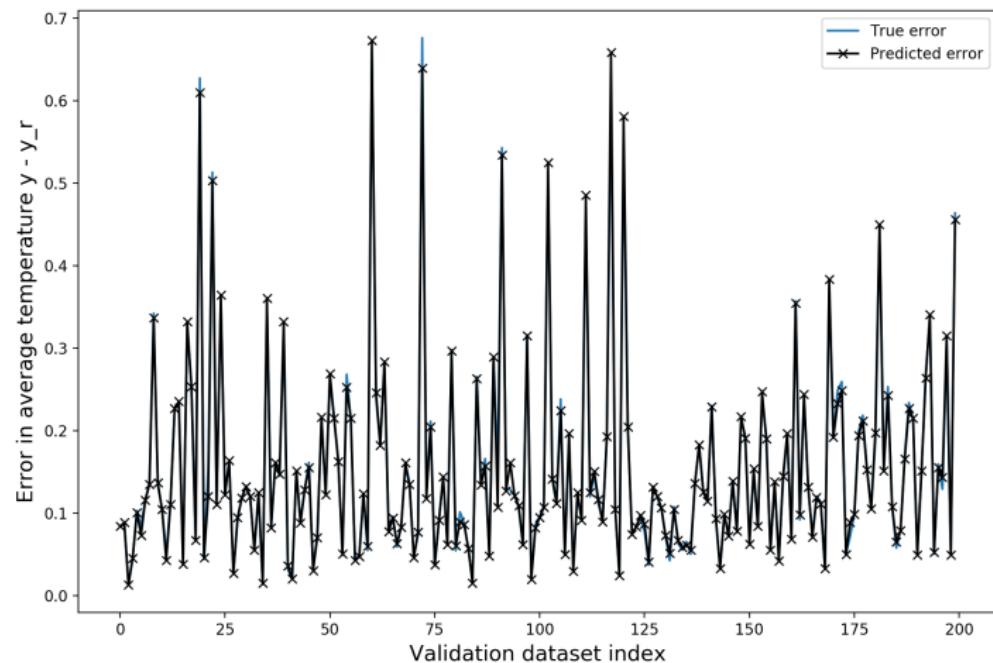


# Improvement over reduced order model



# True error vs predicted error

The deep neural net has a 3.5% average relative error over the validation dataset.



# Summary

- Model order reduction coupled with deep learning can provide computationally efficient and accurate predictions for quantities of interest given expensive offline training.
- Increased efficiency and accuracy mitigates the cost of performing forward solves for sampling-based Bayesian inference.
- In the future, improve deep learning error model by incorporating physics as opposed to the purely data-driven approach shown today.