

# NUMERICAL INFORMATION FIELD THEORY

## BAYESIAN IMAGING USING IFT

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Code: <https://gitlab.mpcdf.mpg.de/ift/nifty>

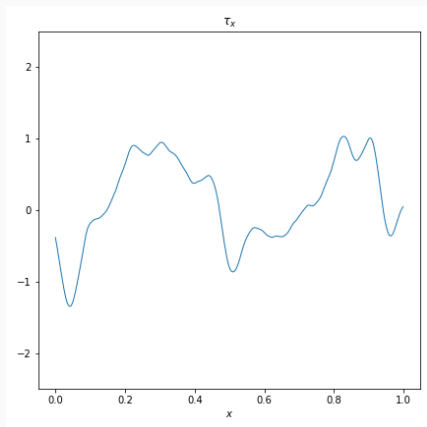
NIFTy [ABE<sup>+</sup>19]:

- ✦ python library for statistical inference
- ✦ differentiable generative models
- ✦ flexible gaussian processes (correlated field model)
- ✦ variety of observational likelihoods
- ✦ variational inference

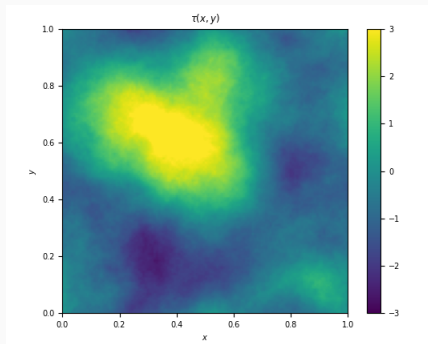


## SPACES

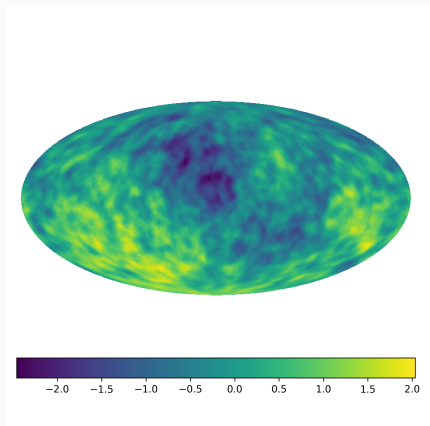
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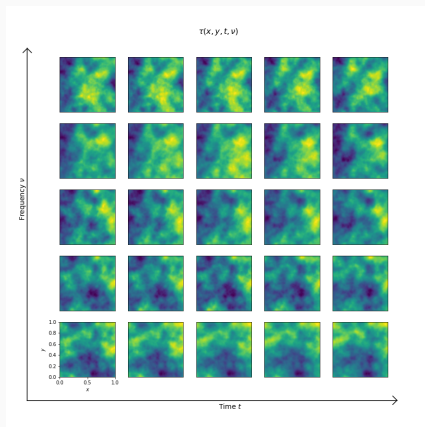
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4 # with 128 pixels and pixelsize 1/128
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7 ...
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5 space = ift.RGSpace((128, 128), (1/128, 1/128))
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7 ...
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1 import nifty8 as ift
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3 # 2-dimensional spherical (HEALPix) space
4 # with nside 128
5 space = ift.HPSpace(128)
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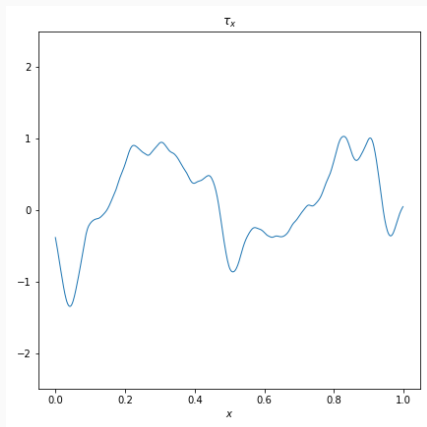


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1 import nifty8 as ift
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3 # 2-dimensional regular grid space
4 # with 128x128 pixels
5 image_dom = ift.RGSpace((128, 128))
6
7 # frequency & time domain with
8 # 5 regularly spaced pixels
9 time = ift.RGSpace(5)
10 freq = ift.RGSpace(5)
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12 # Set up joint space
13 space = ift.makeDomain((freq, time, image_dom))
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15 ...
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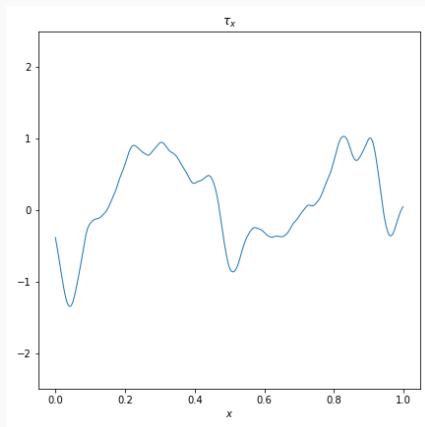
## CORRELATED FIELDS

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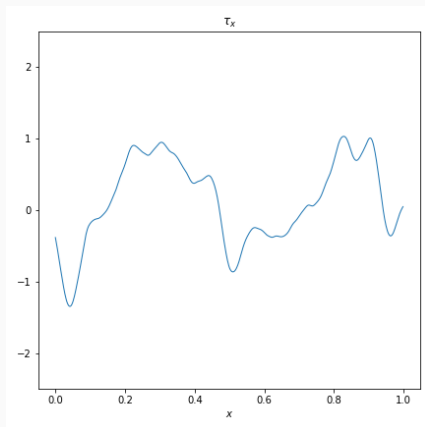
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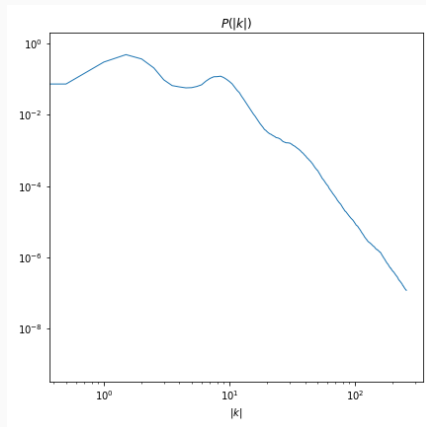
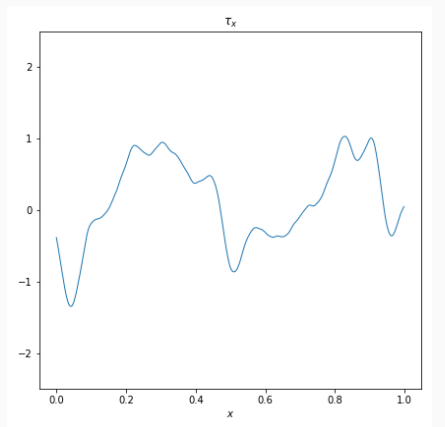
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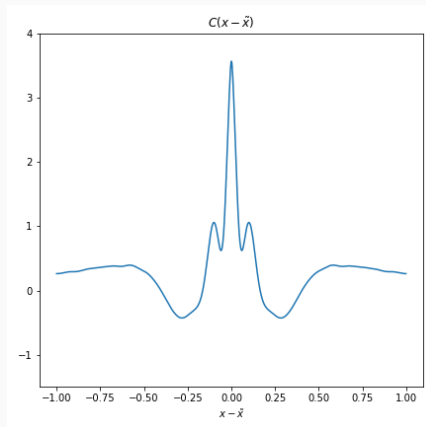
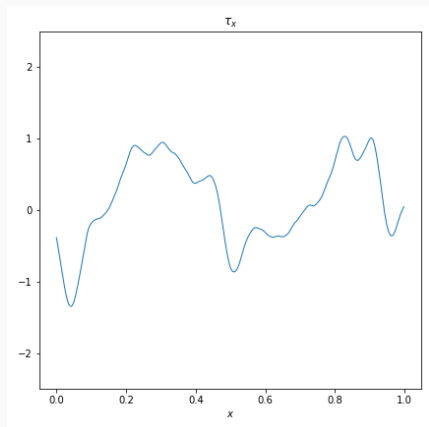


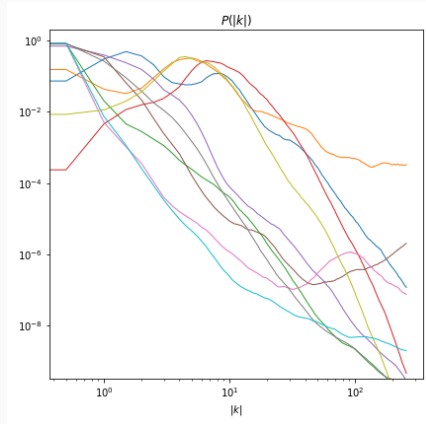
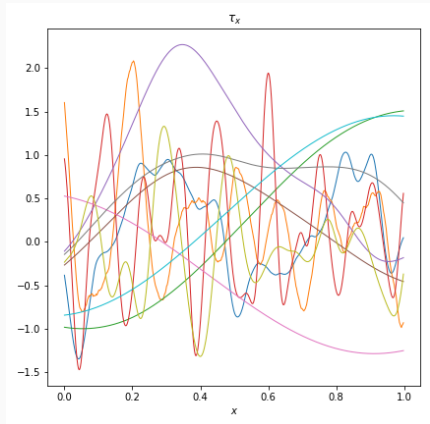
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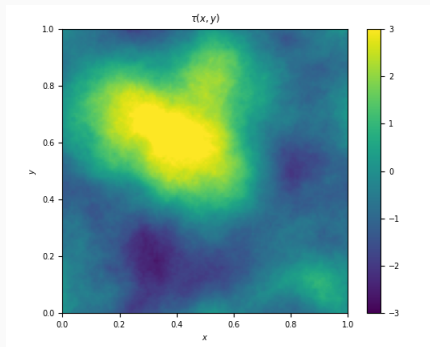
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11 # Draw a random realization of standard normal
12 # distributed variables
13 realization = ift.from_random(model.domain)
14 # Apply model to get a realization
15 tau = model(realization)
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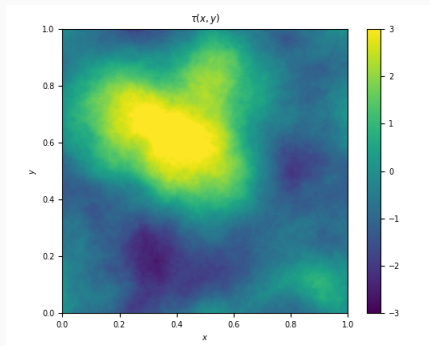
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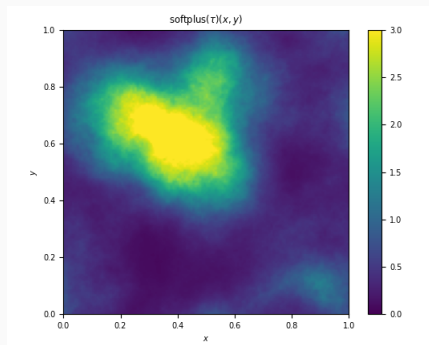
# DATA MODEL & VARIATIONAL INFERENCE

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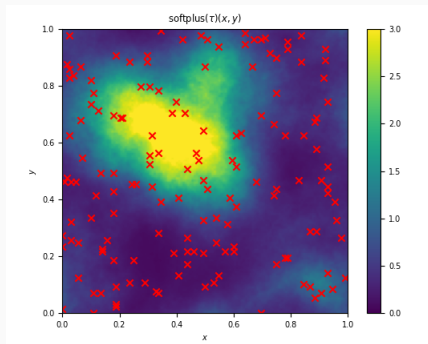




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1 model = ... # model for tau
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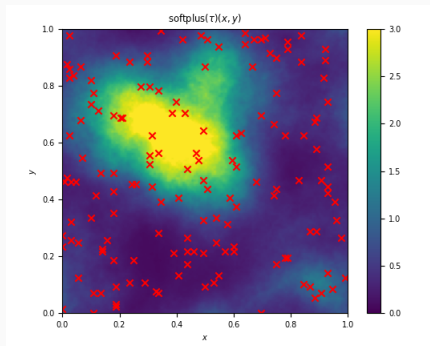
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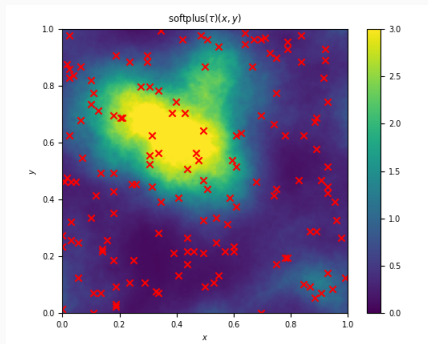
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1 model = ift.softplus(model) # apply nonlinearity
2
3 # Set up a random response
4 flags = np.random.binomial(1, 0.99, size = 128**2)
5 flags = ift.makeField(space, flags)
6 Response = ift.MaskOperator(flags)
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8 # Define observational model and likelihood
9 data, noise_icov = # load data and noise
10 lh = ift.GaussianEnergy(data = data,
11                          inverse_covariance = noise_icov)
12 likelihood = lh @ Response(model)
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17 ...
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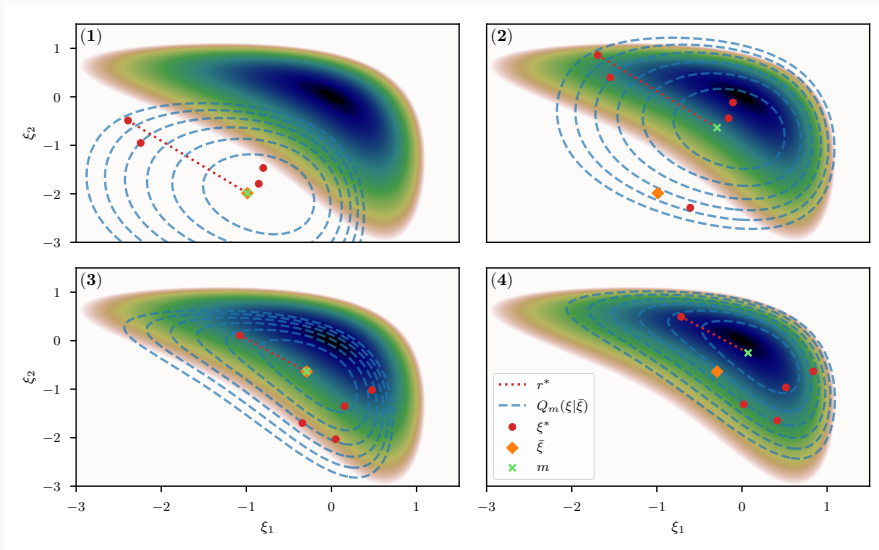


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14 # Generate approximate posterior samples
15 # using variational inference (geoVI)
16 samples = ift.optimize_kl(lh, **params)
17 ...

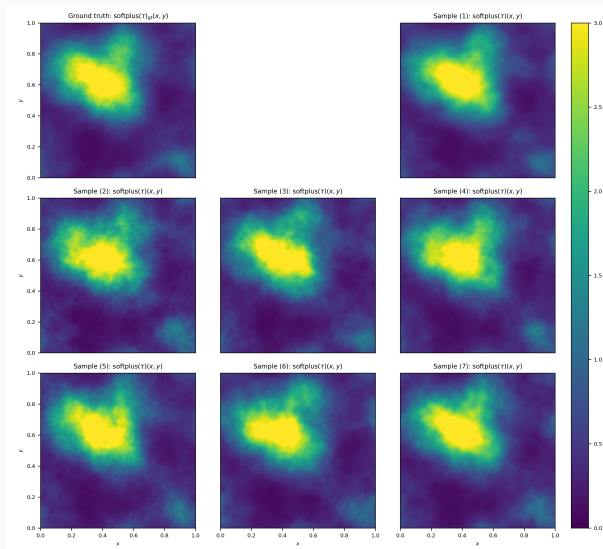
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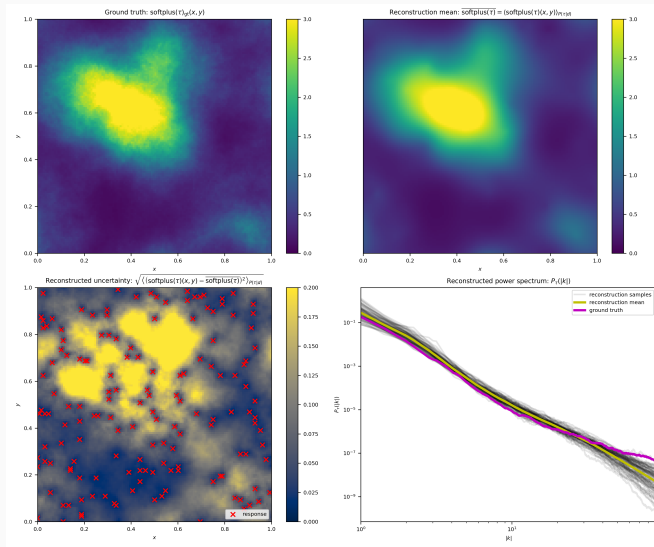


→ not 2- but (# of pixels + # spectrum parameters)-dimensional probability distributions!

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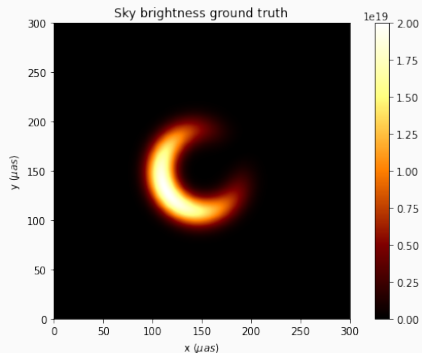


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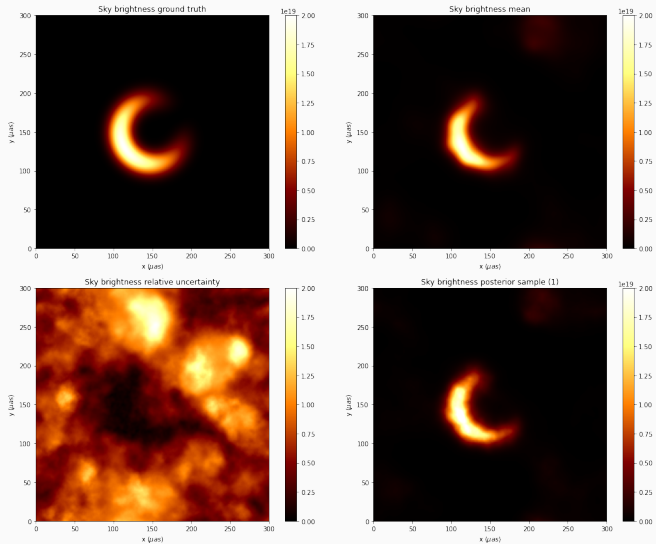


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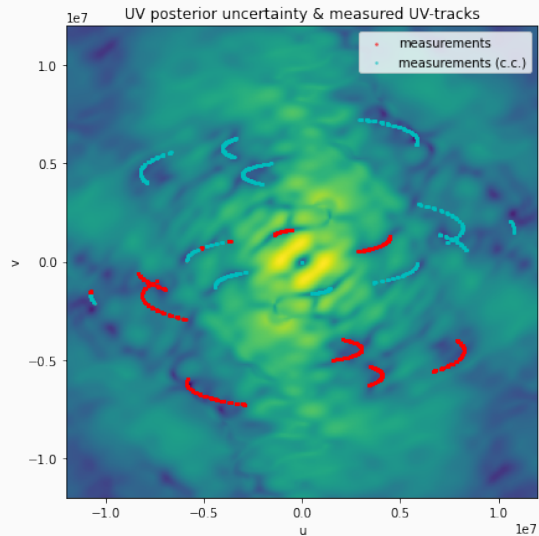
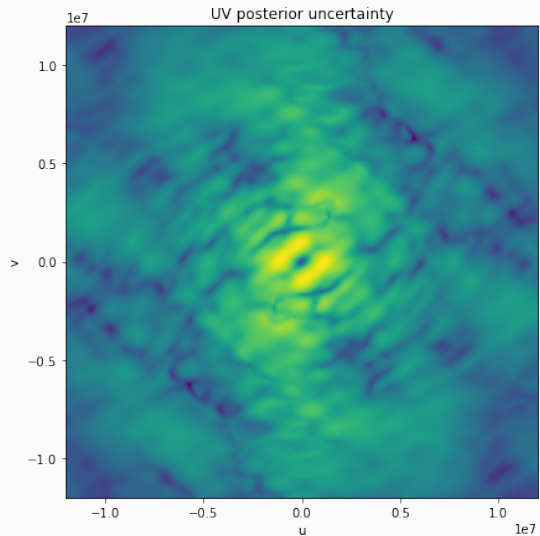


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1 model = ift.exp(model) # apply nonlinearity
2
3 # Set up a vlbi response
4 import resolve as rve
5 observation = rve.Observation.load('data path...')
6 Response = rve.InterferometryResponse(
7     observation, model.target)
8
9 # Define observational model and likelihood
10 data, noise_icov = # load data and noise
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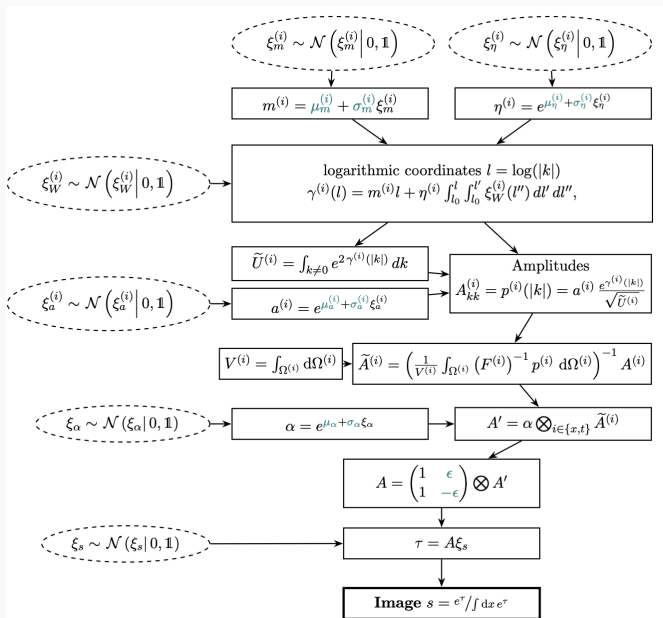


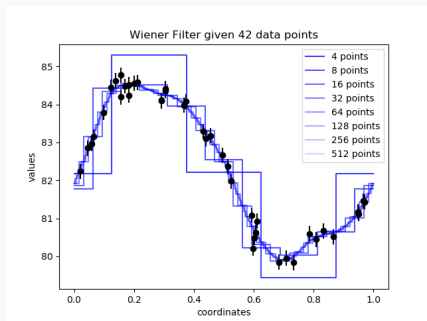
```
1 import jax
2 import nifty8.re as jft
3
4 model = # some jifty model ...
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10 model = jax.jit(model) # just-in-time compilation
11
12 # ... run on GPU/TPU
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17 ...
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BACKUP

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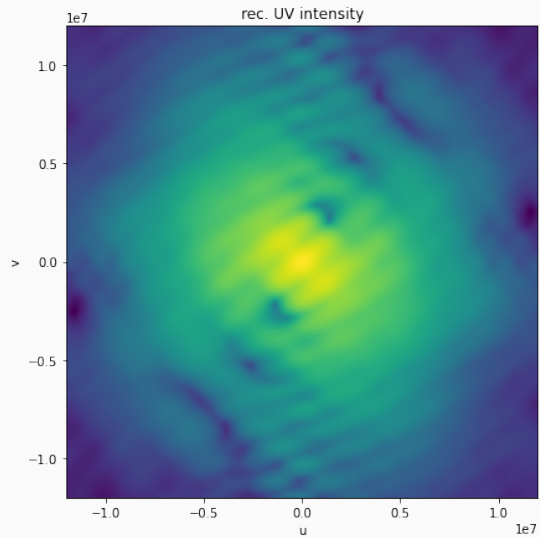
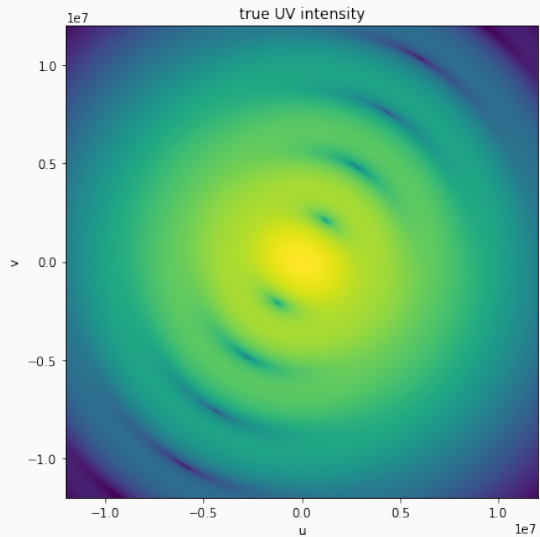
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1 import nifty8 as ift
2
3 for n in range(7):
4     # 1-dimensional regular grid space
5     # with 2^(n + 2) pixels
6     space = ift.RGSpace(2**(n + 2))
7
8     ...

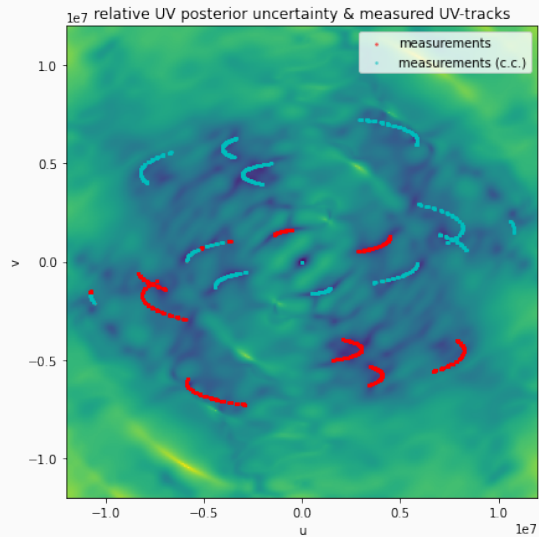
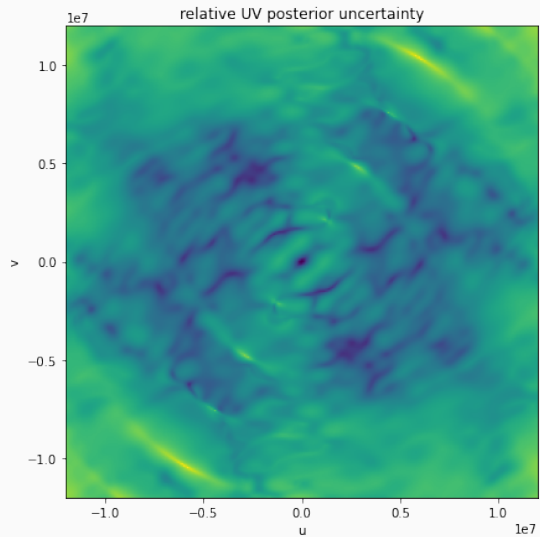
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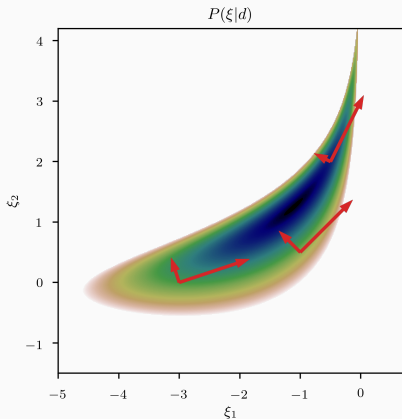
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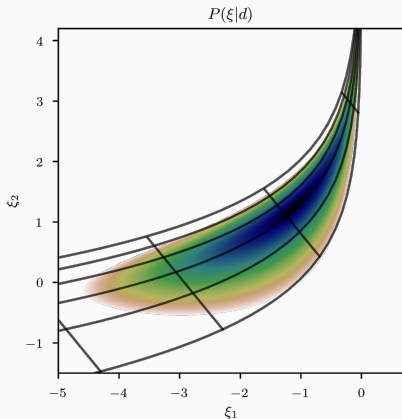


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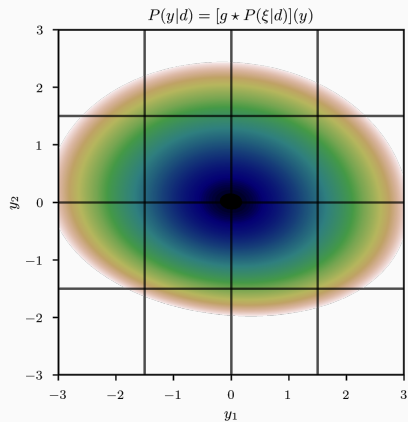
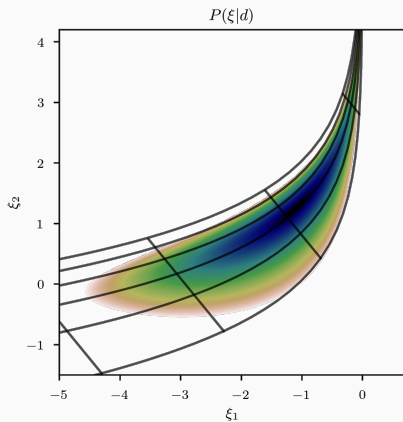


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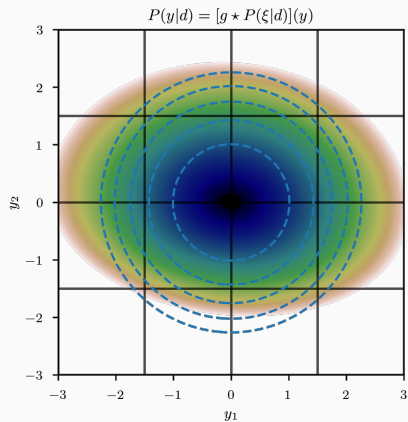
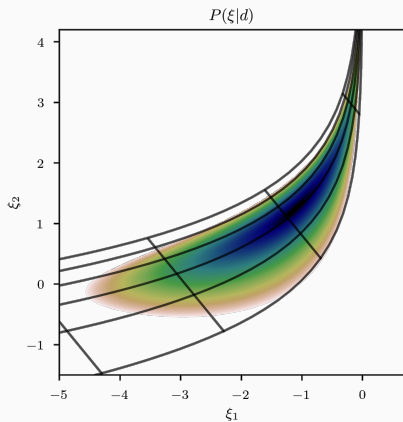
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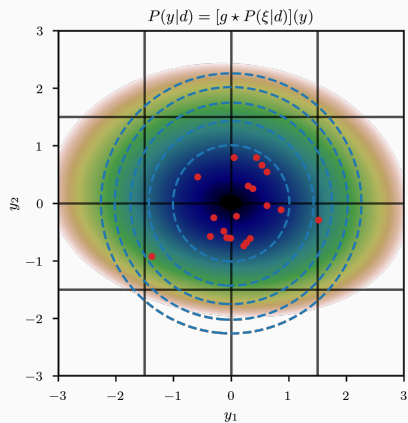
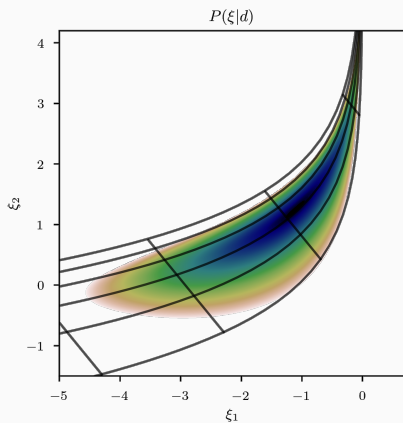
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