



INTERPRETATION OF A THERMAL RESPONSE TEST IN A BAYESIAN FRAMEWORK TO INFER THE HYDRAULIC PROPERTIES SURROUNDING A STANDING COLUMN WELL

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1. INTRODUCTION

Objective :

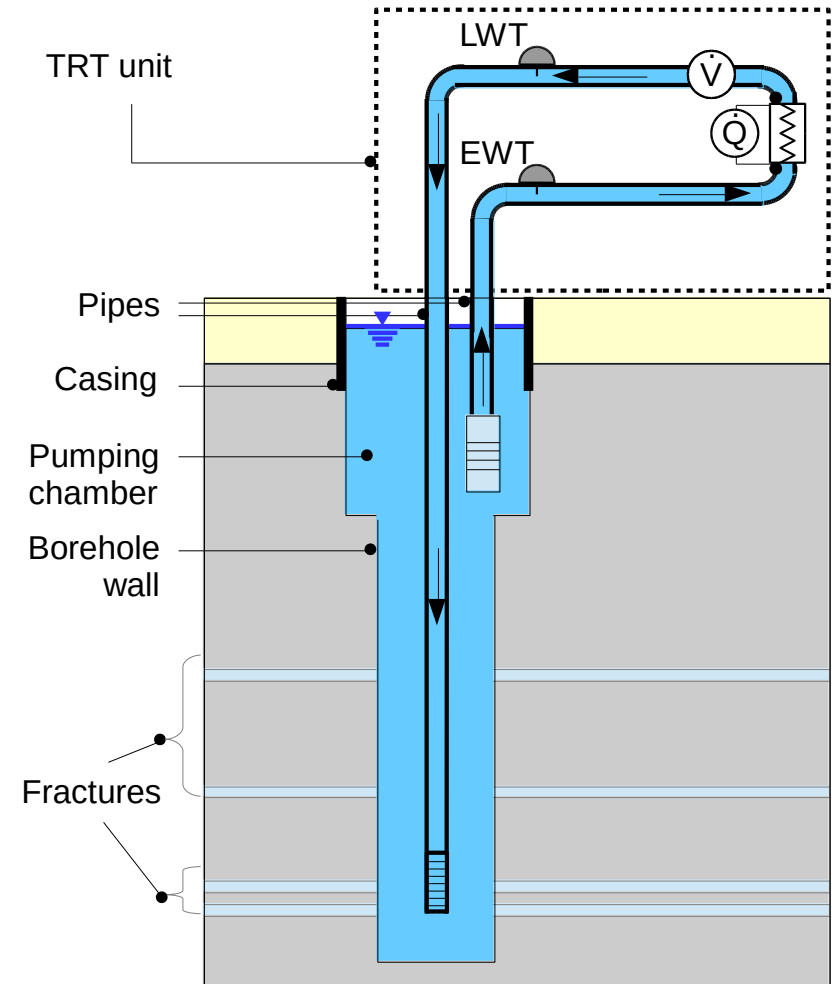
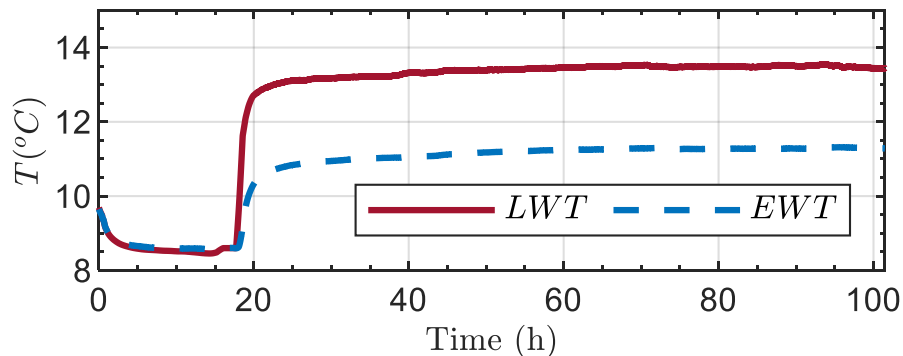
- Infer the hydraulic properties using a temperature response

Standing column well (SCW)

- Groundwater recirculates in an open borehole
- Advective and conductive heat transfer, even without net pumping

Thermal response test (TRT)

- Continuous fluid heating
- Temperature evolution leads to thermal conductivity



2. EXPERIMENTAL SITE

Bayesian inference of :

Thermal conductivity of materials

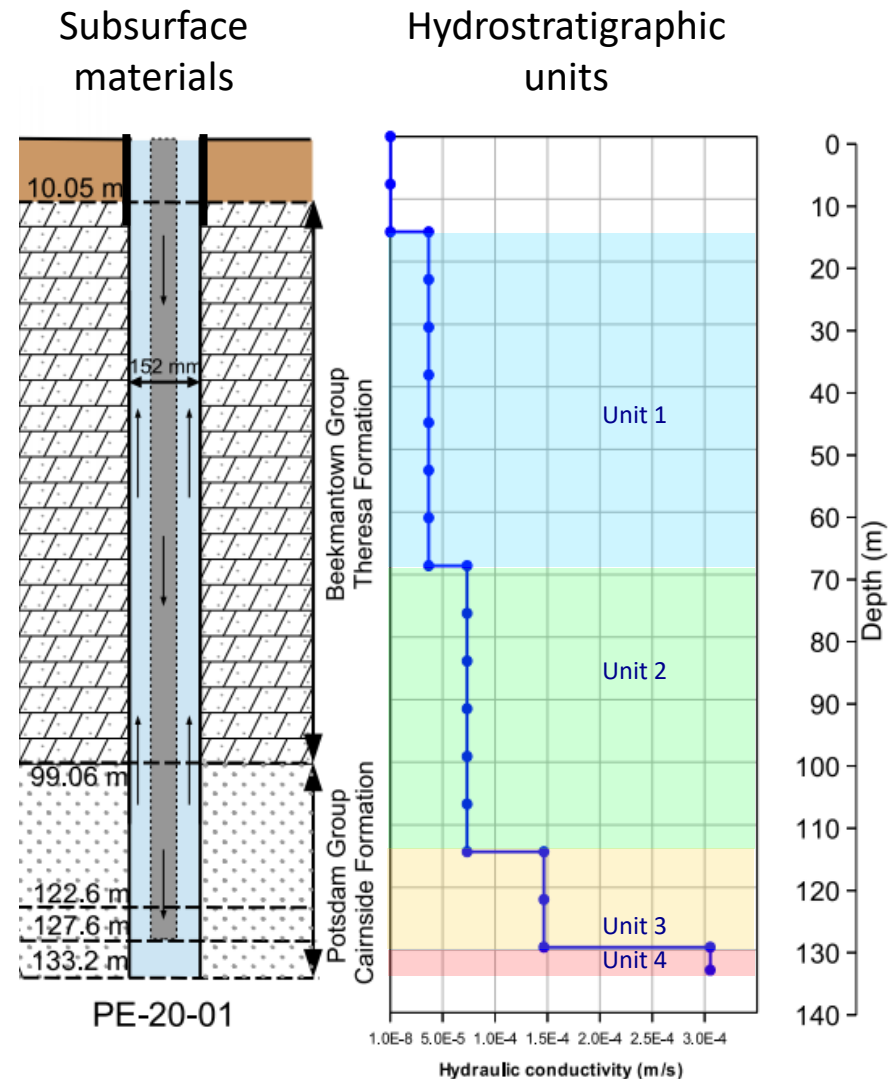
Deduced from cuttings :

- Three (3) materials
 - Loose deposit (Till)
 - Sandy dolomite
 - Quartz arenite

Hydraulic conductivity of units

Deduced from groundwater flow observed during drilling :

- Four (4) units



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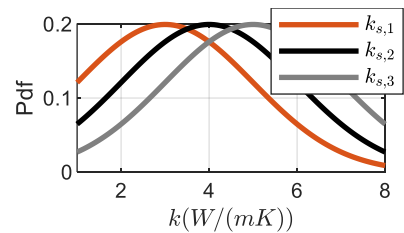
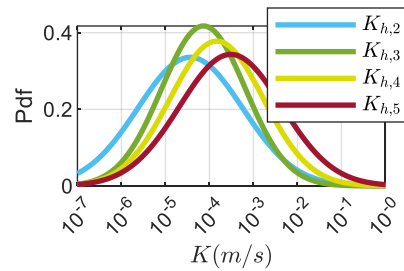
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Bayes Theorem

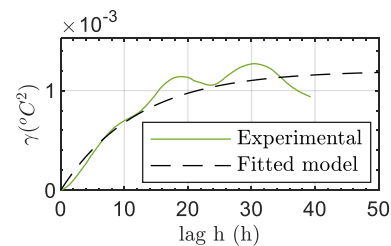
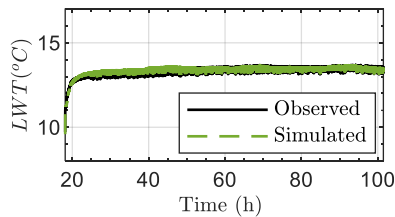
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$P(\theta)$ Priors



$P(x|\theta)$: Likelihood



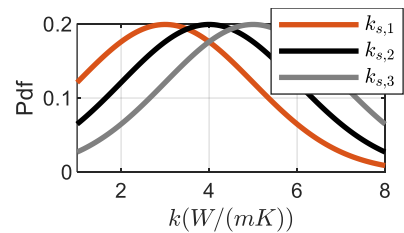
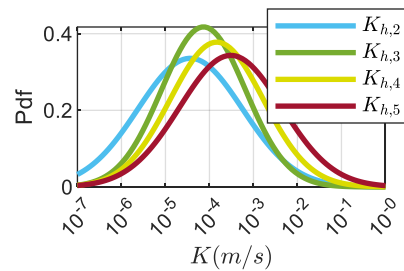
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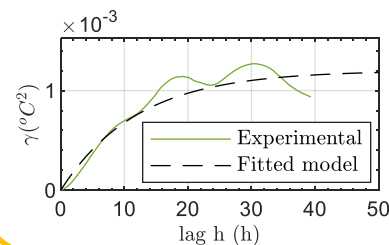
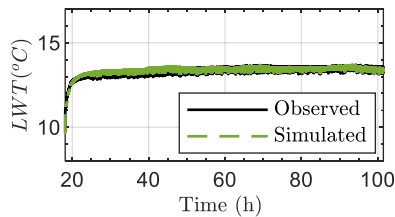
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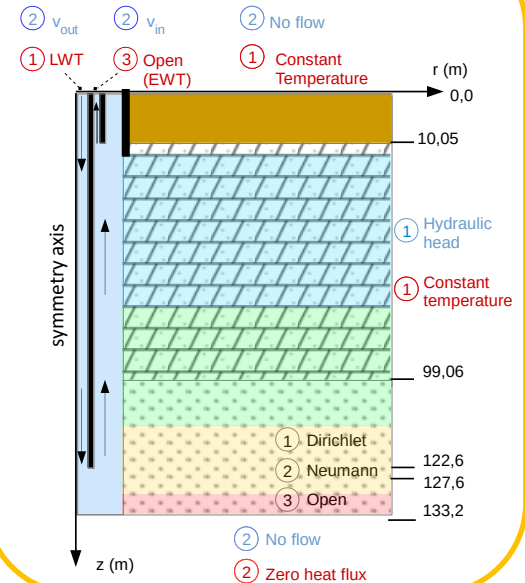
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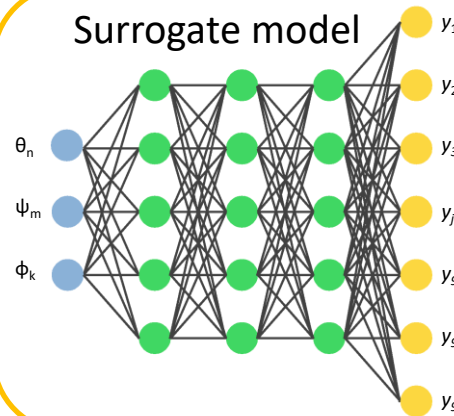


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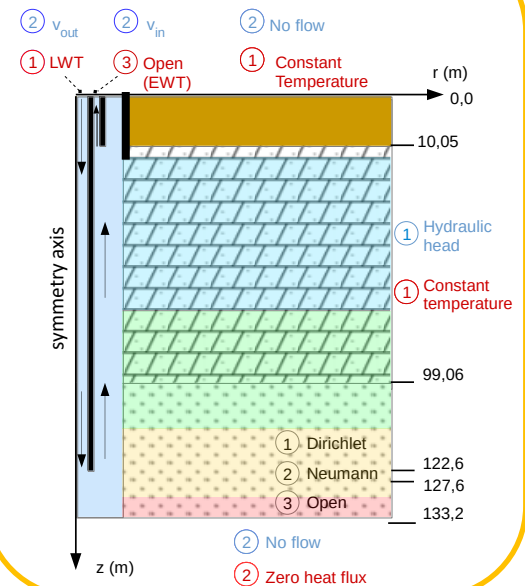
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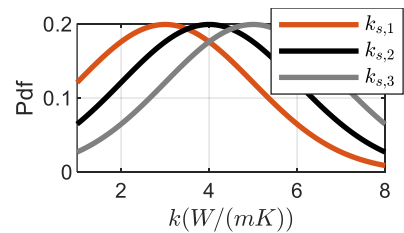
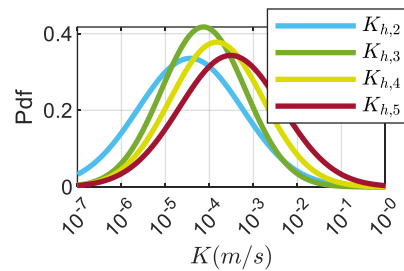
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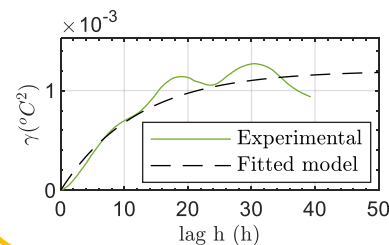
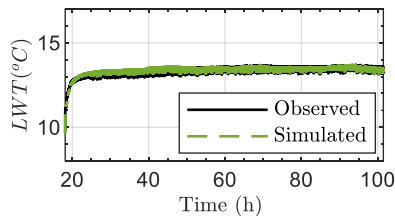
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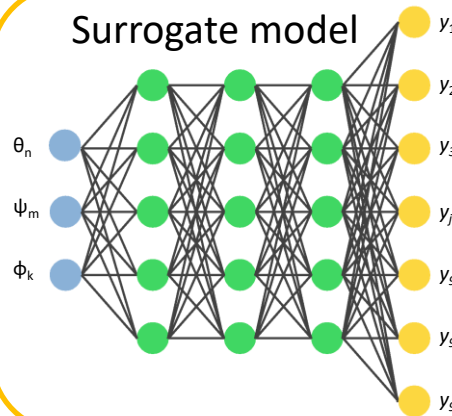


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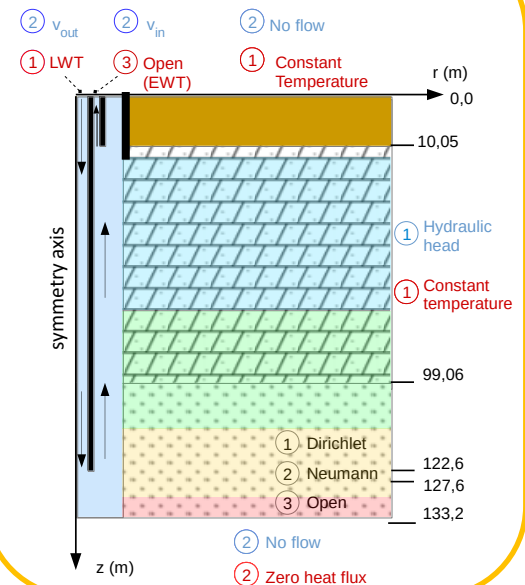
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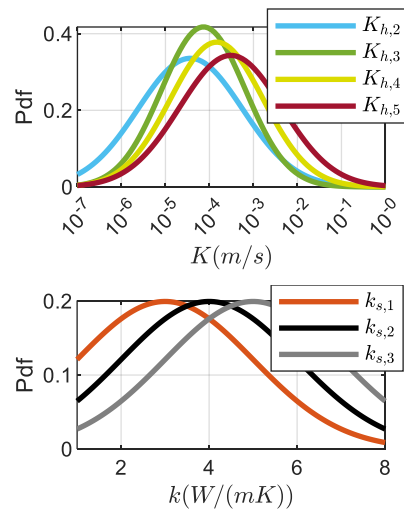
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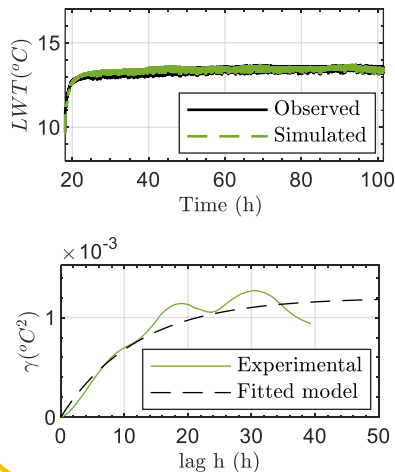
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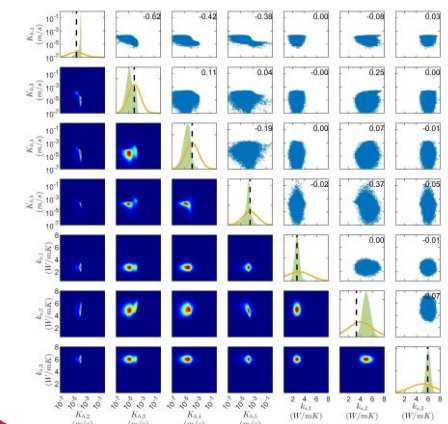
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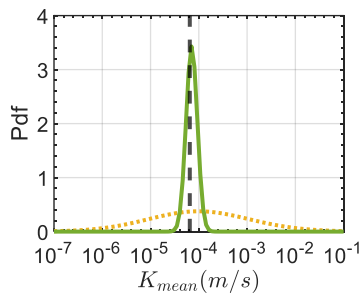
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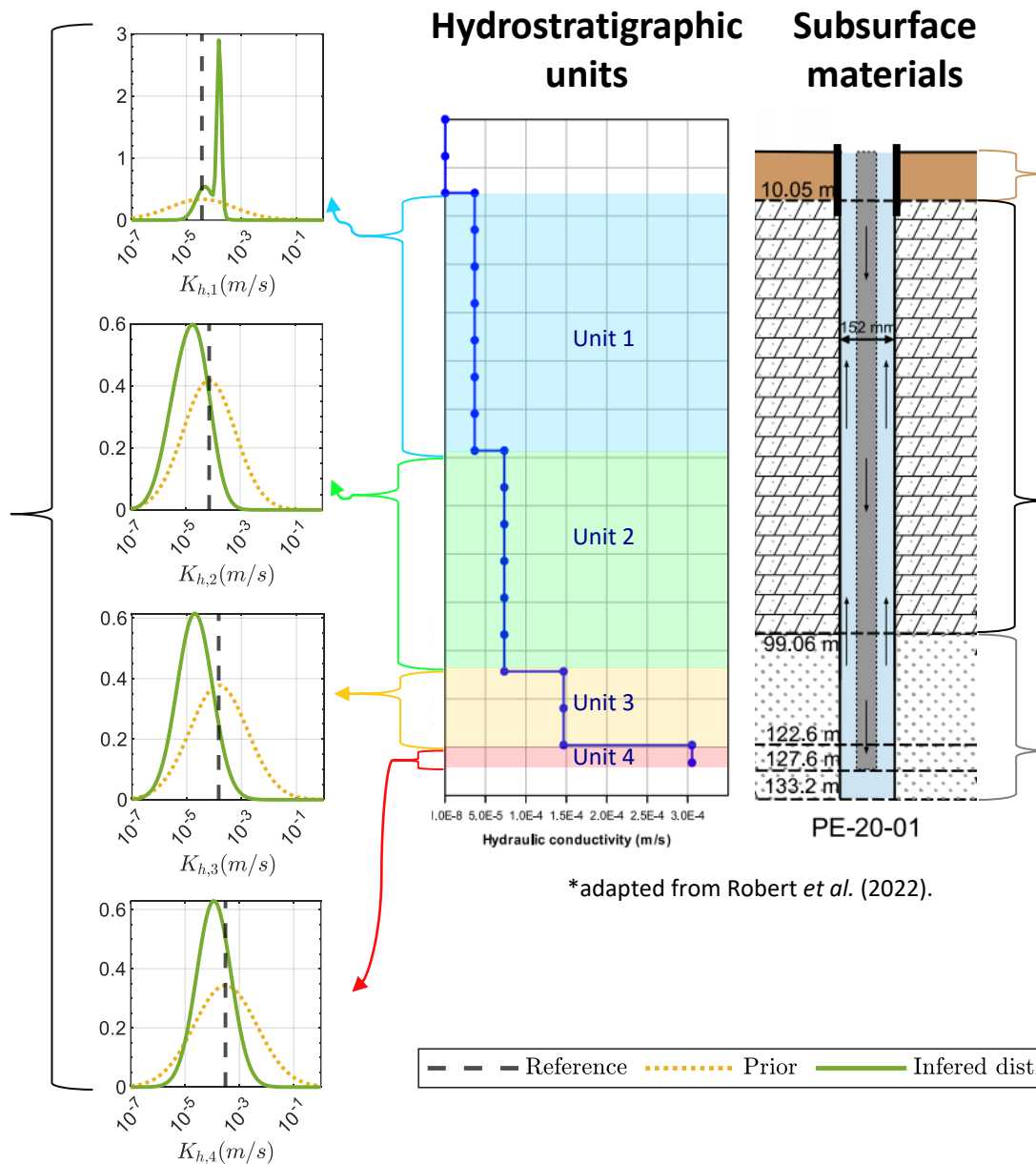
4. RESULTS

Hydraulic conductivities with TRT

Weighted average :



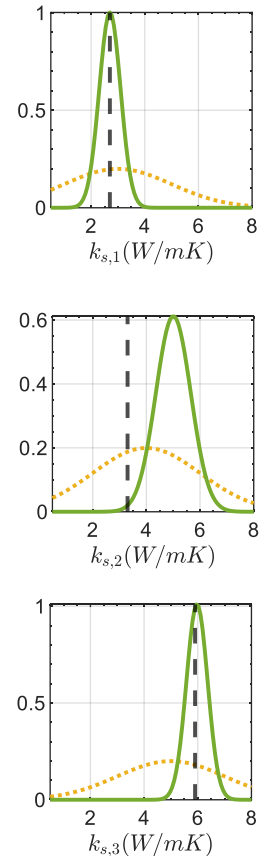
similar to pumping test with a difference of 1.5%



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Subsurface materials

Thermal conductivities



5. CONCLUSION

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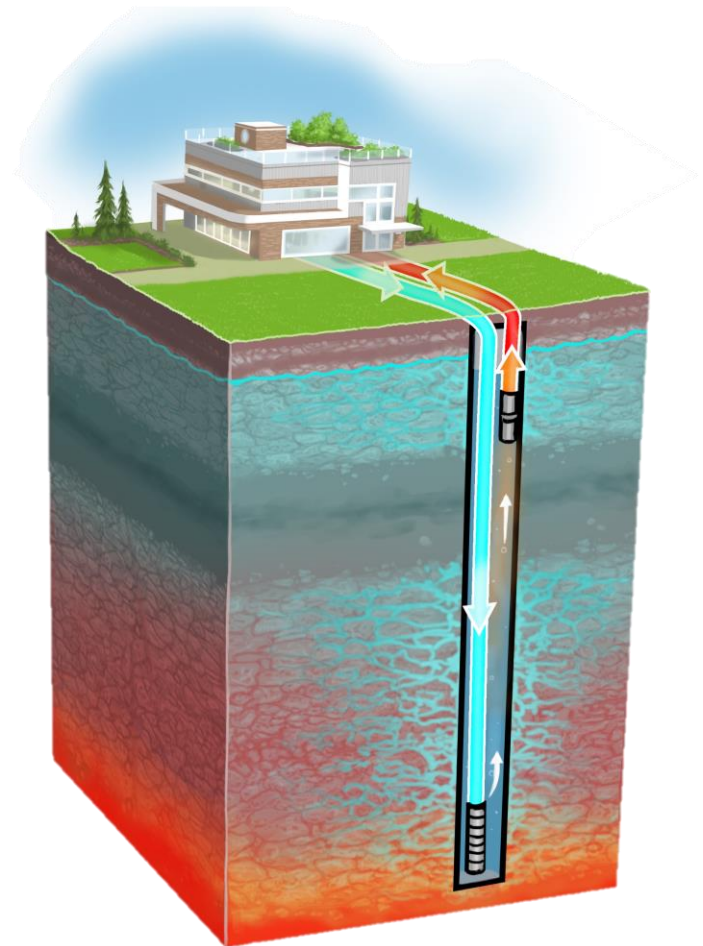
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Bayesian inference

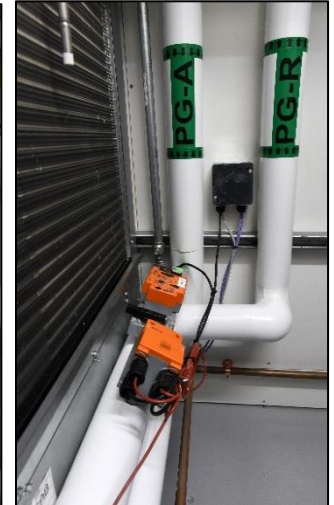
- Assess joint and marginal probability distributions
- Update prior knowledge conditionally to observations

Contribution

- Robust inference of hydraulic properties with a thermal response test
- Thermal test for hydraulic assessments



QUESTIONS ?



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