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Interventionist Uncertainty in Neural Networks: A Case Study in Prompting

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Prompting at Inference

Extracting Information from Models

Prompts allow extracting contextual and relevant information from the model

Segmentation without Prompting



All objects segmented

Segmentation with Prompt



Manual prompting selects only one segment

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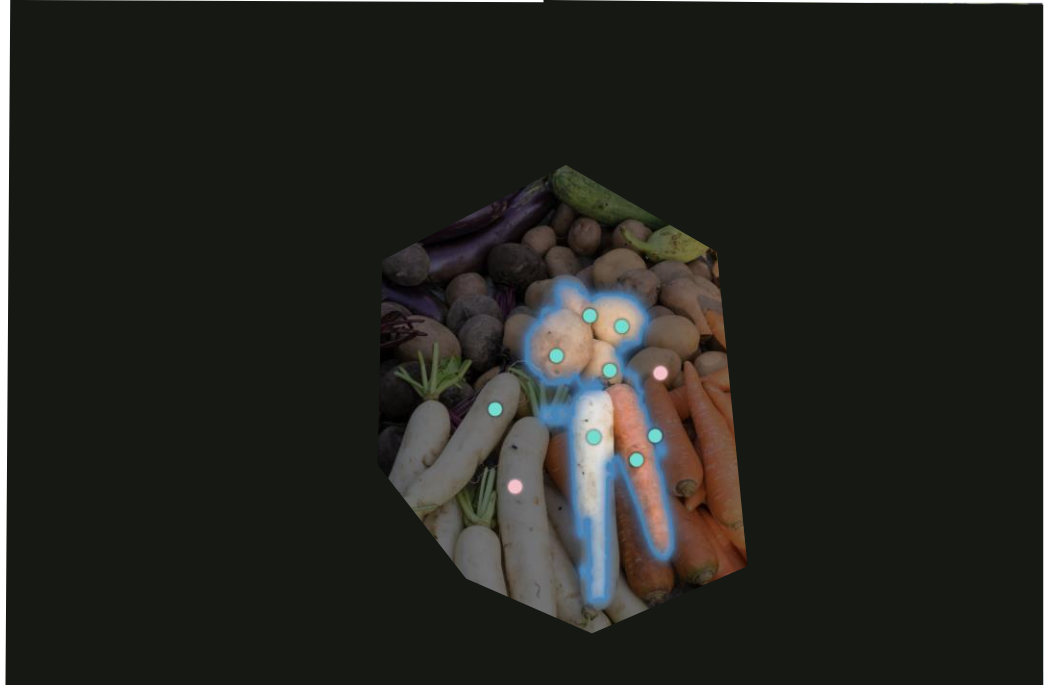
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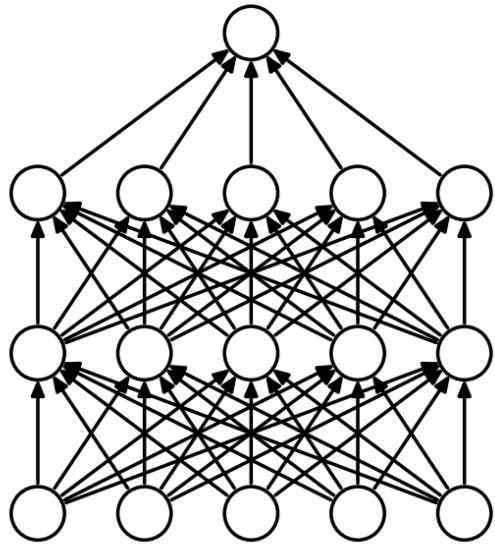
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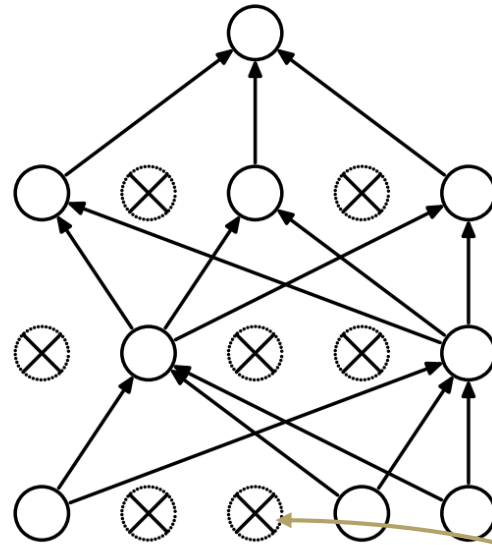
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Monte-Carlo Dropout

$$W \rightarrow \{W, P\} \rightarrow W_P$$

Model Uncertainty

Objective of this Talk

Analyzing Prompts as Uncertainty

Objective: To motivate and quantify Prompts as Uncertainty



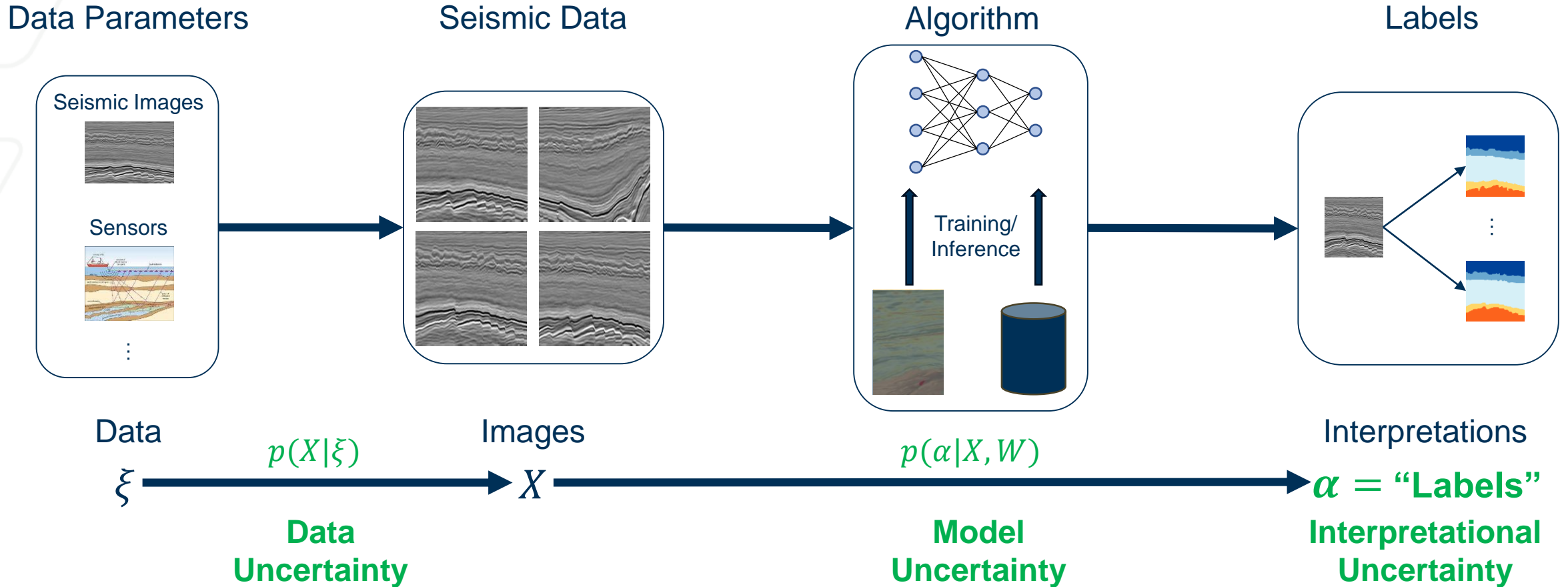
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Uncertainty

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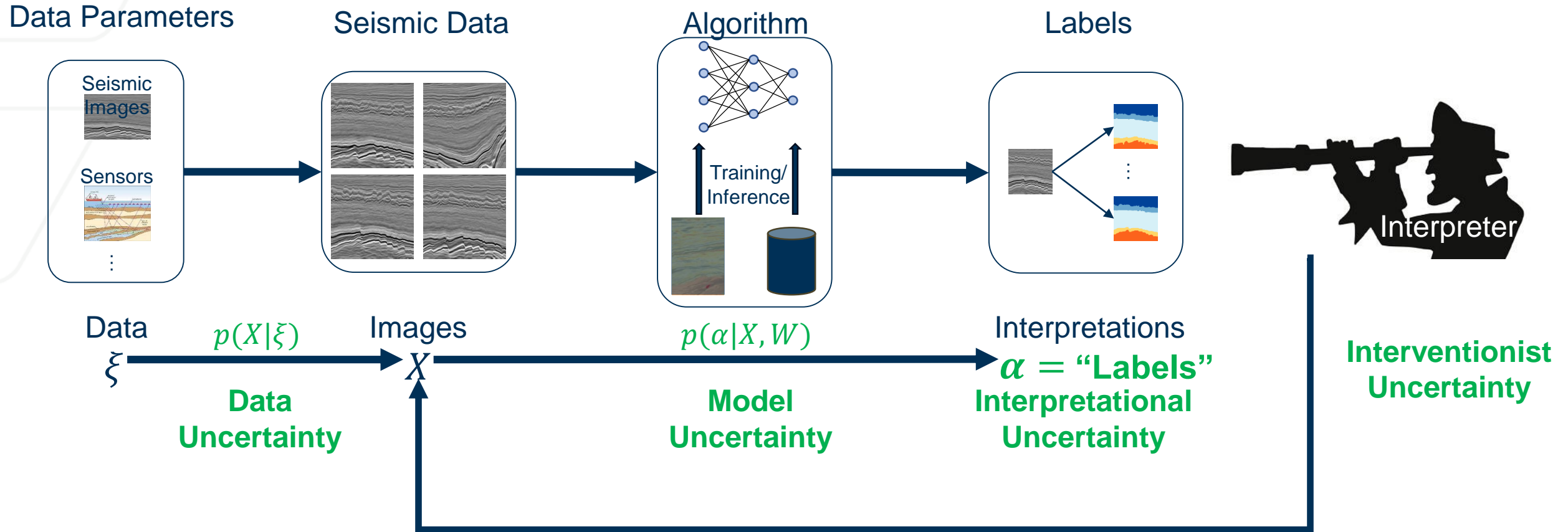
Existing Uncertainty Framework: Flow of Information in one direction



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Where do Prompts fit in?

Prompts at Inference: Flow of Information is a Loop



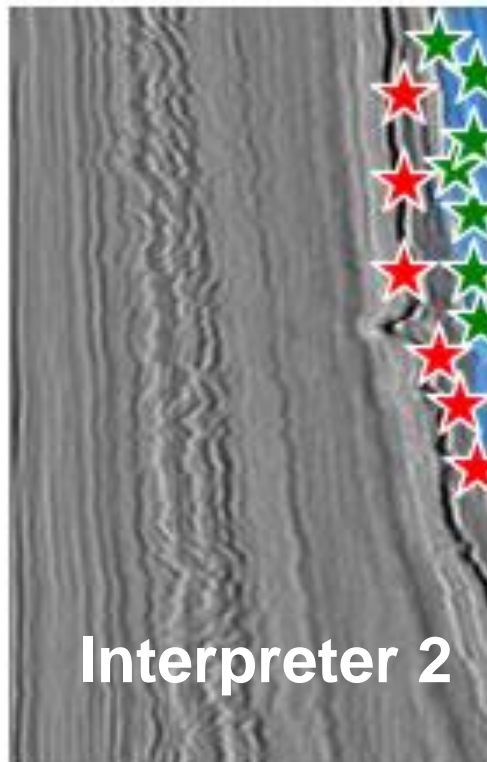
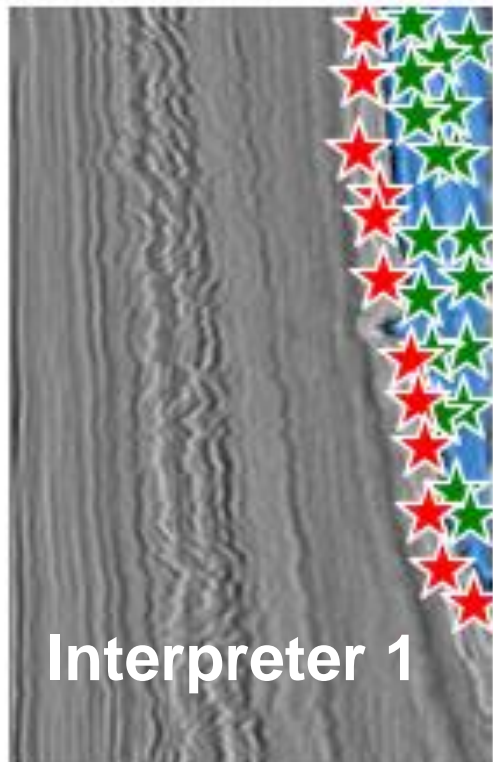
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Analysis Framework

Analyzing Prompting: Via objective mean Intersection Over Union (mIOU)

Mask 1, Score: 0.321

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Interpreter 2 > Interpreter 1

- **Goal:** To delineate region of interest
- **Quantifiable score:** Mean Intersection over Union (mIOU) between prediction and ground truth

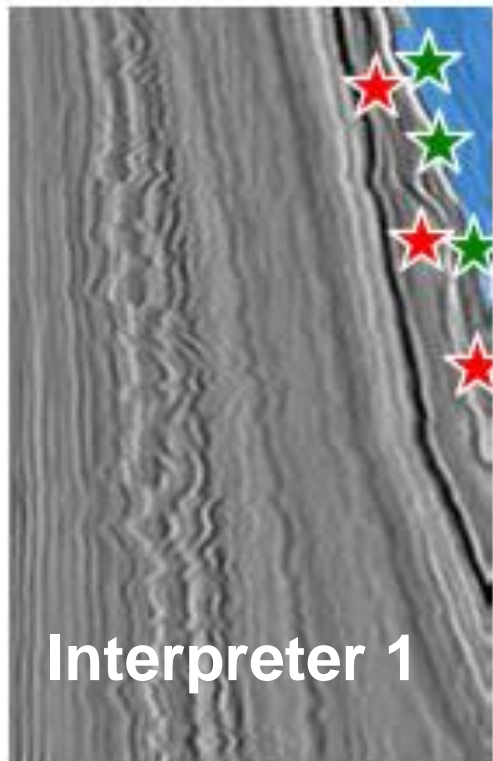
$$E(y|S_{x2}) > E(y|S_{x1})$$

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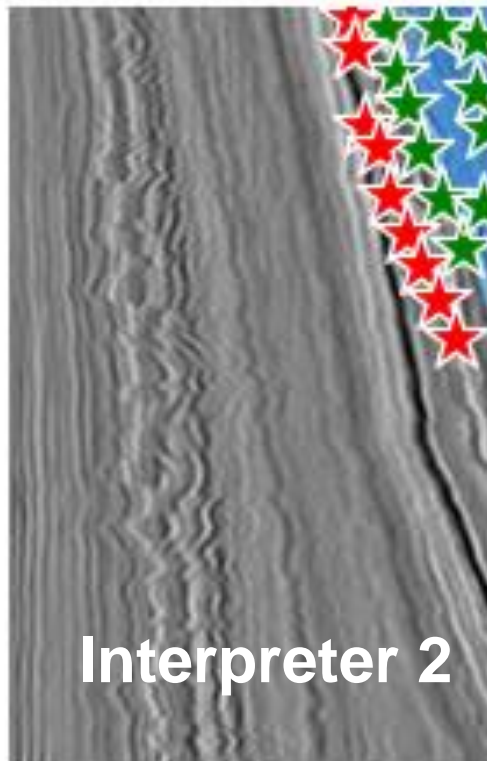
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Analyzing Interventionist Uncertainty: Via objective output metrics

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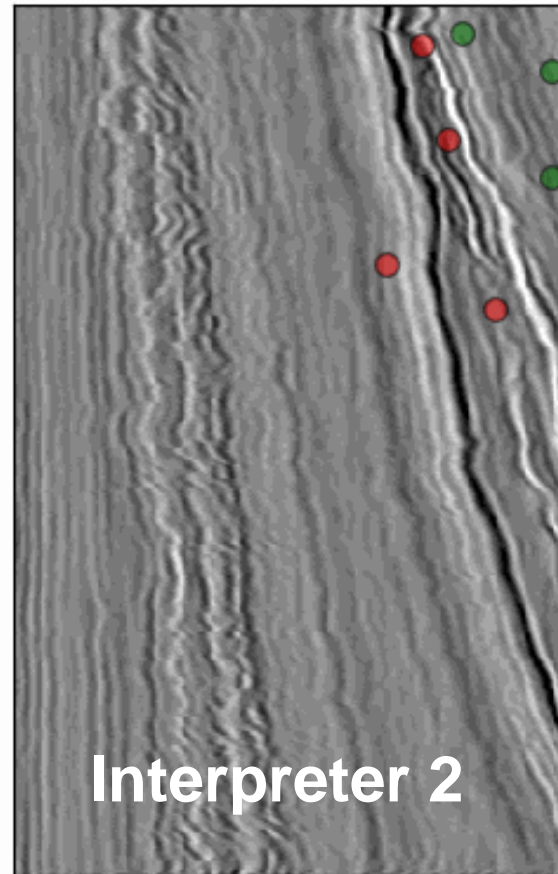
Interpreter 2 ? Interpreter 1

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 1. **mIOU** between the two interpreters **is the same**
 2. However, the prompts (**numbers and locations**) are different

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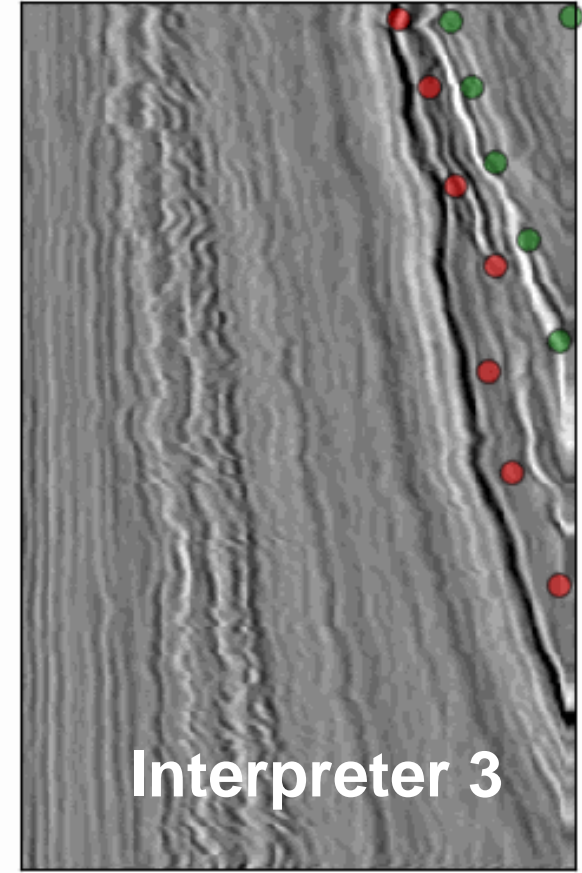
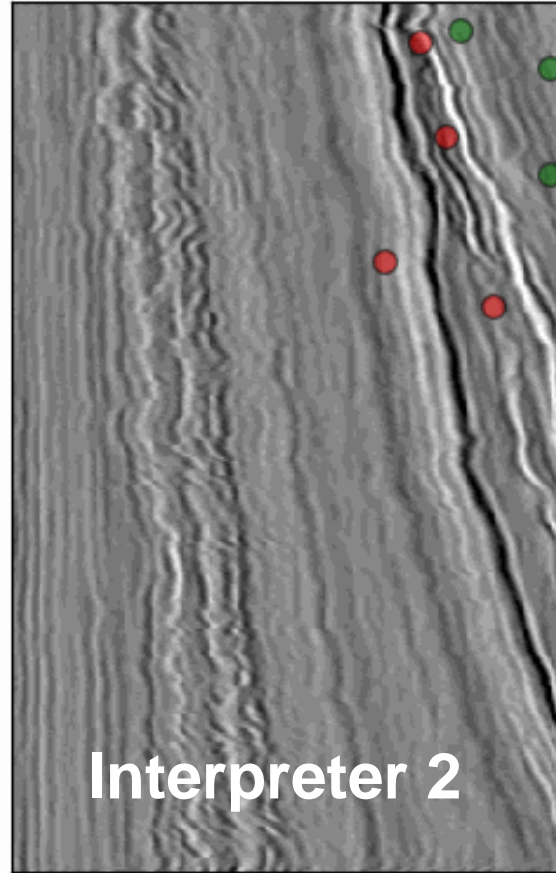
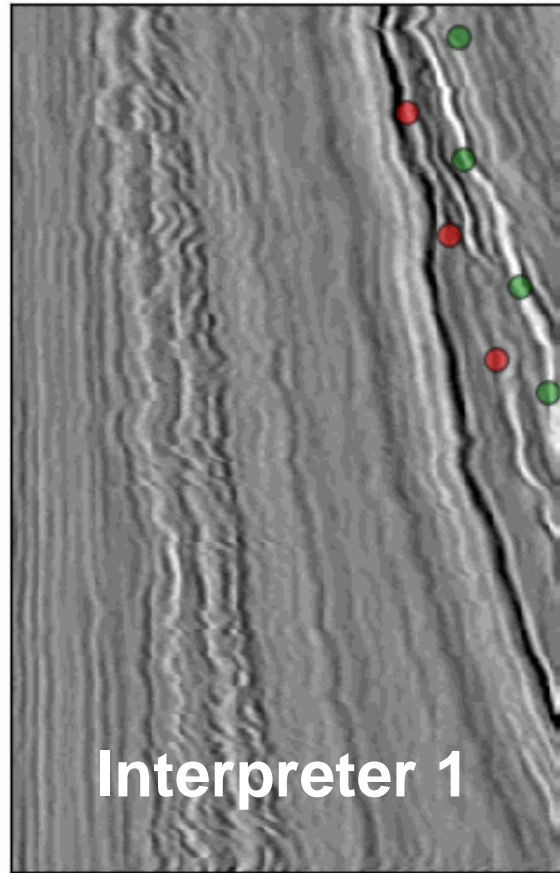
Prompting across Sections: Notice the change in prompts in consecutive sections



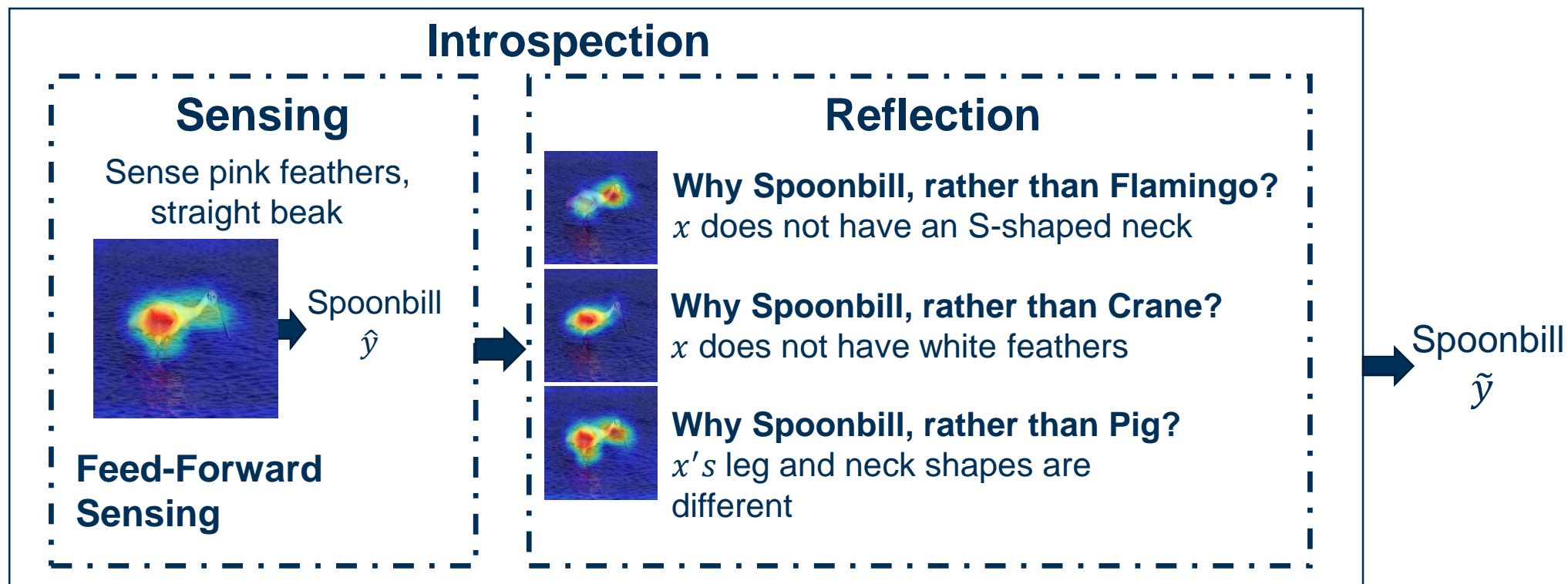
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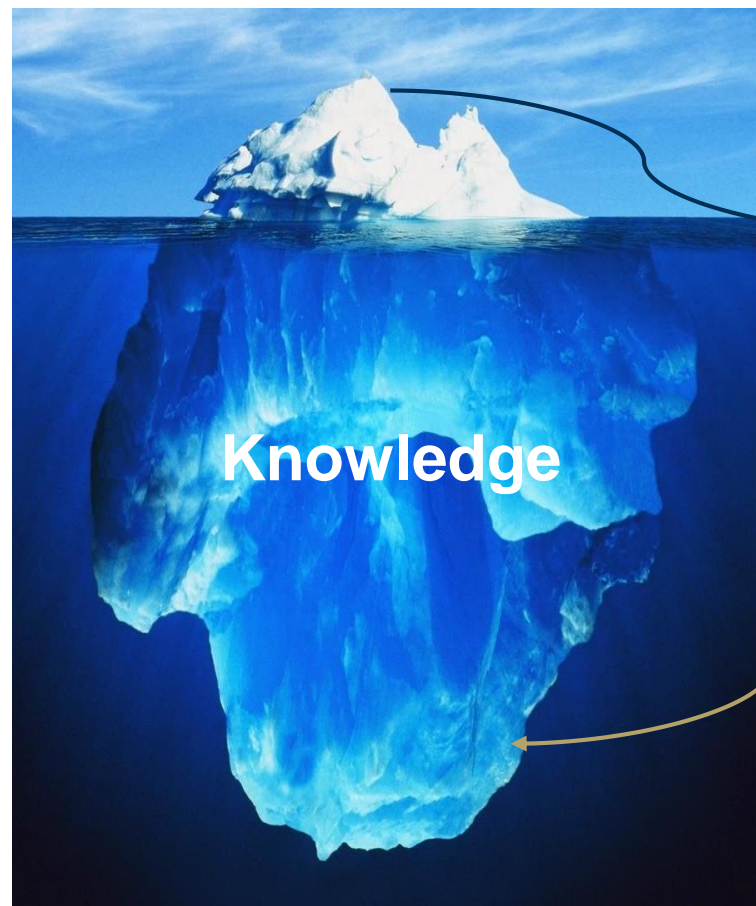
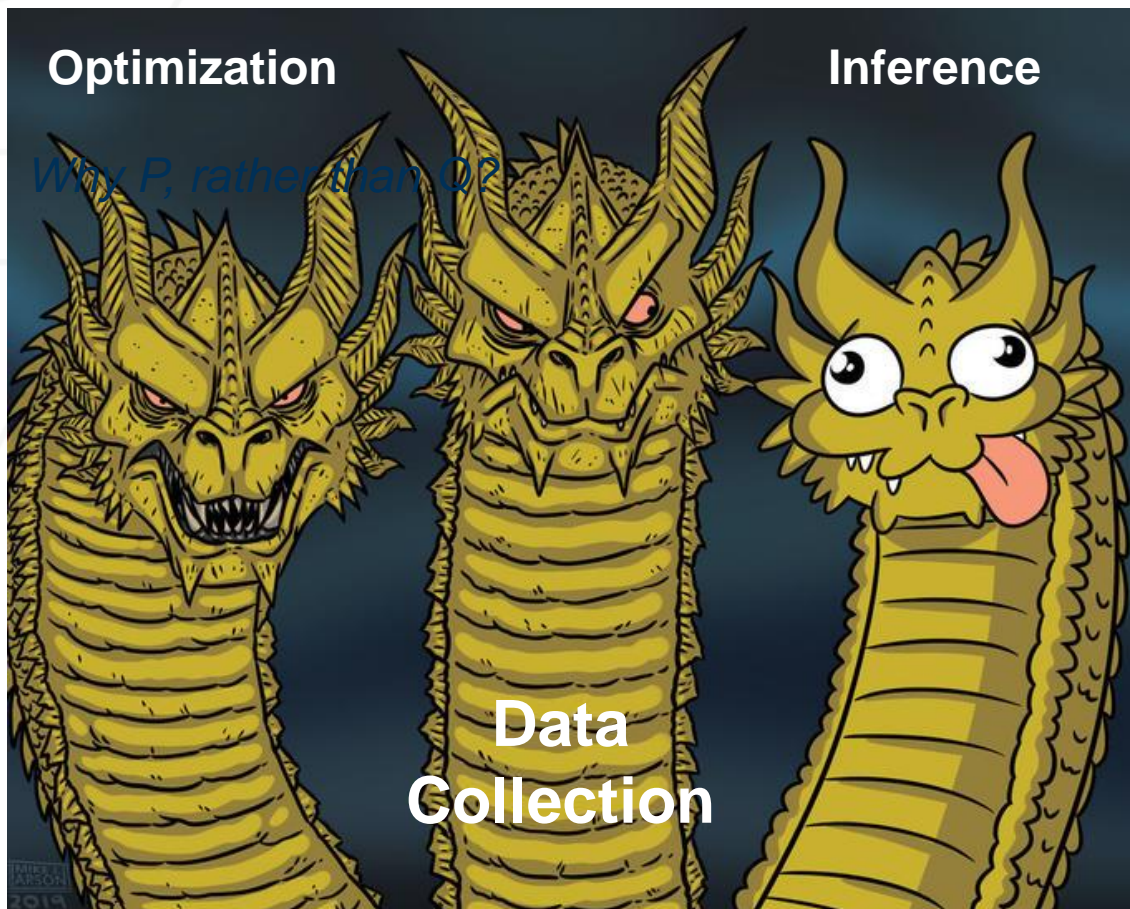
Prompting across Interpreters: Notice the change in prompts between interpreters



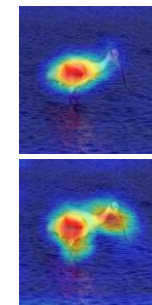
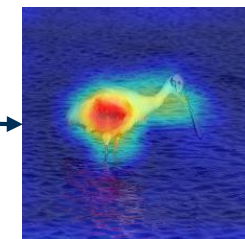
Introspective Learning using Contrastive Questions: Uncertainty resides in contrastive questions



Trained Neural Nets have hidden knowledge. Goal is to prompt it at Inference.



Traditional *Why P?*



What if? Why P, rather than Q?

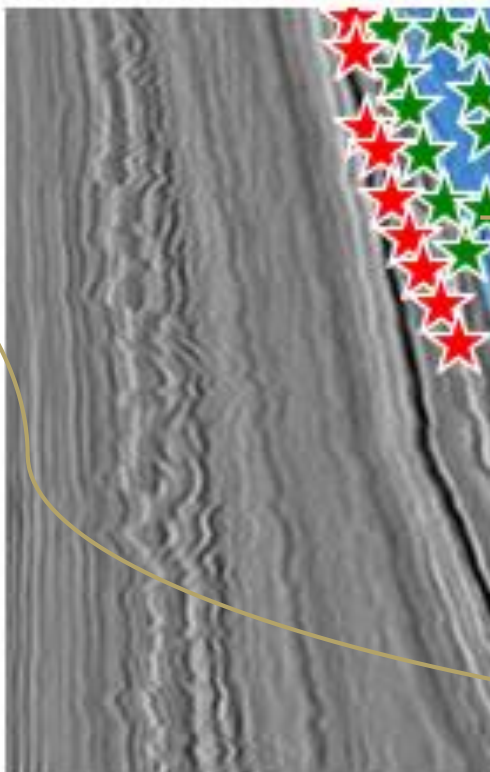
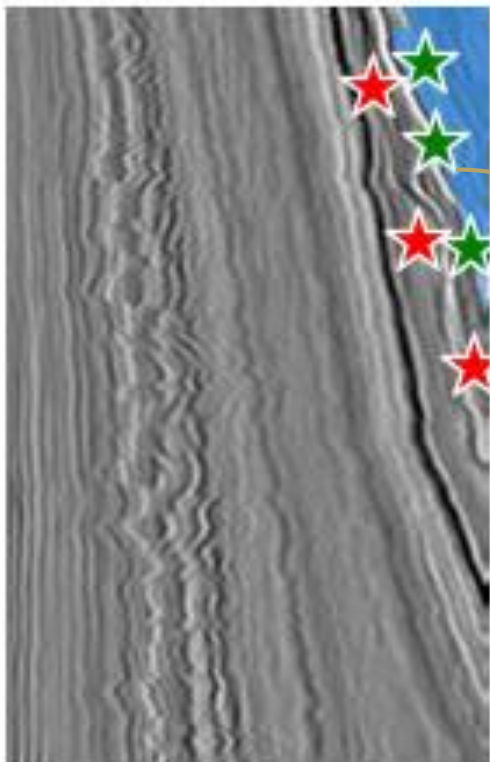
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Our Analysis: Interventionist Uncertainty via Contrastive Questions

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Why Prompt P_1 ,
rather than P_2 ?

Variance Decomposition of Uncertainty under intervention

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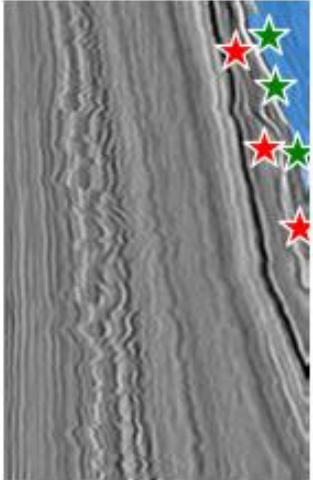
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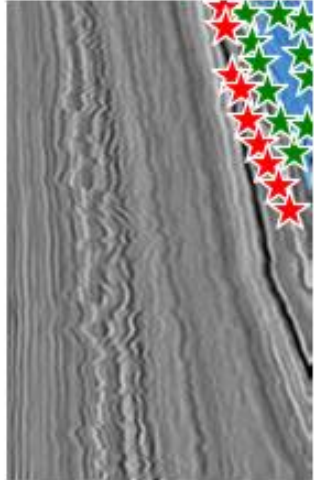
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$$E(y|S_{x2}) = E(y|S_{x1})$$

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Variance Decomposition of Uncertainty under intervention

$$V[y|S_x] = V[E(y|S_x)] + E(V[(y|S_x)])$$

Given an intervention S_x ,
find alternative
interventions S_x' that result
in non-zero $V[(y|S_x)]$

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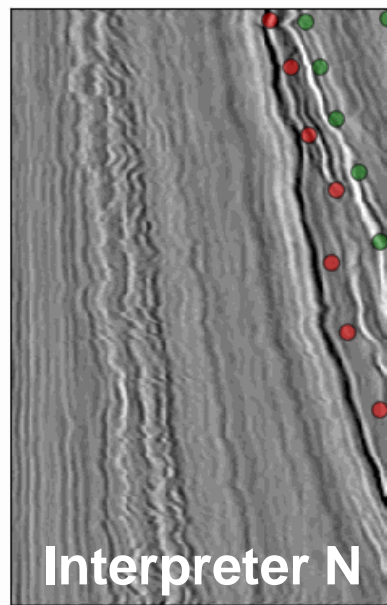
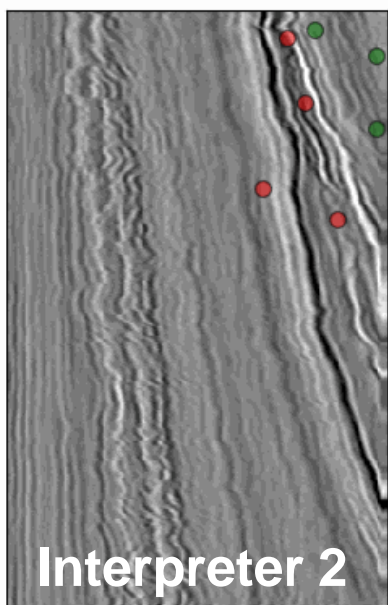
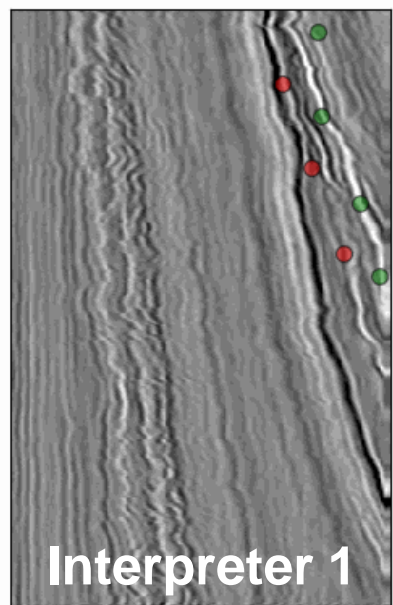
alternatives

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Methodology

Take variance across outputs derived from N prompts

$$V[y|S_x] = V[E(y|S_x)] + E(V[(y|S_x)])$$



$Y_1|S_{x1}$
 $Y_2|S_{x2}$
 $Y_3|S_{x3}$
 $Y_4|S_{x4}$
 $Y_5|S_{x5}$
.
.
 $Y_N|S_{xN}$

Variance

Variance

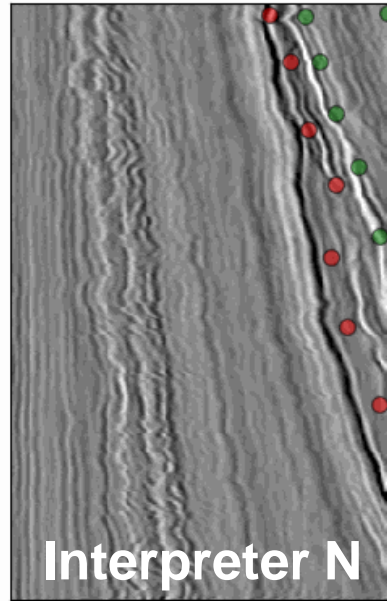
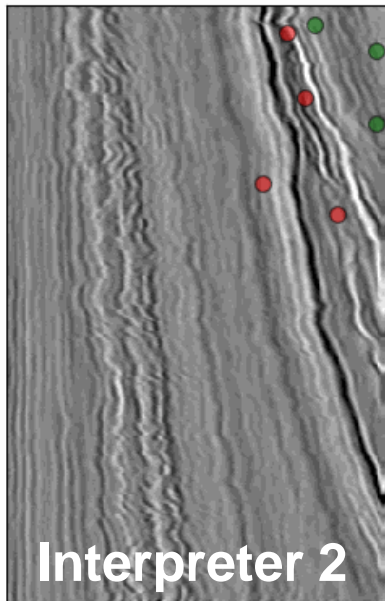
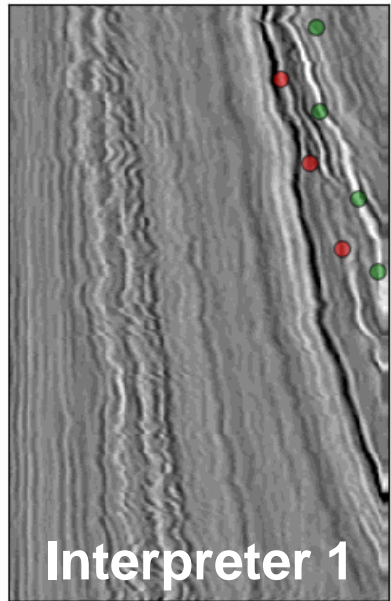
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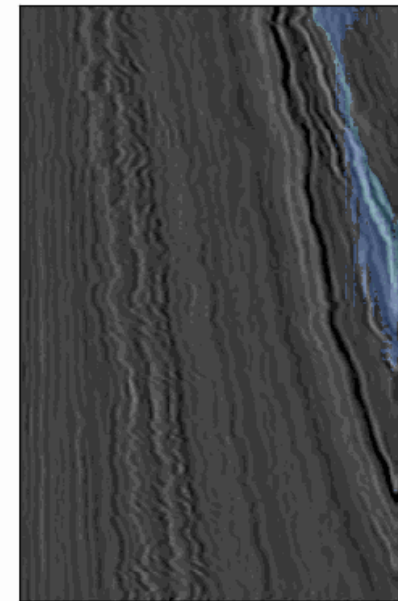
Visual Results

Uncertainty resides near the prompt boundaries

$$V[y|S_x] = V[E(y|S_x)] + E(V[(y|S_x)])$$



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Variance

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Benefits of Analyzing Uncertainty

How to obtain the best prompts?

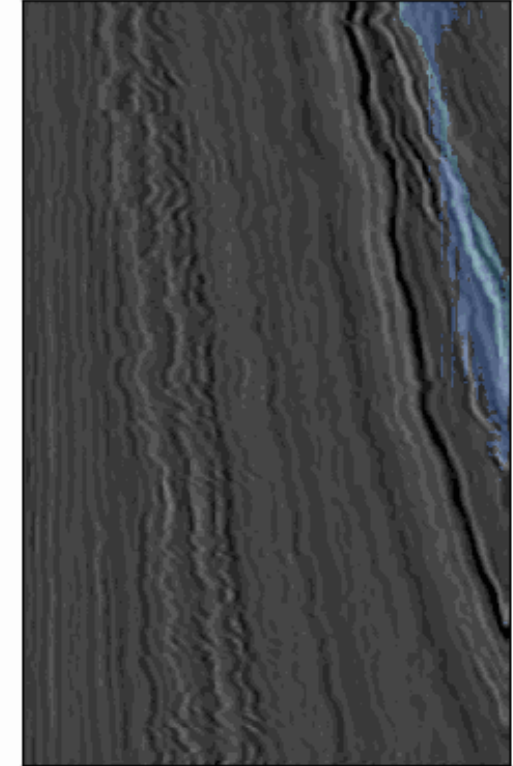
Goal: Among given 7 prompts, choose the best prompts for each section

Best Prompts = Highest mIOU against ground truth

Not available at prompting

Best Guess Prompts = Highest mIOU against uncertainty

Accuracy(Best prompts, Best Guess Prompts) = 34.66%
(random = 14%)



Benefits of Analyzing Uncertainty

How to estimate Intersection over Union (IoU) without access to Ground Truth?

Signal-to-Noise Ratio (SNR) of interventional uncertainty follows IoU

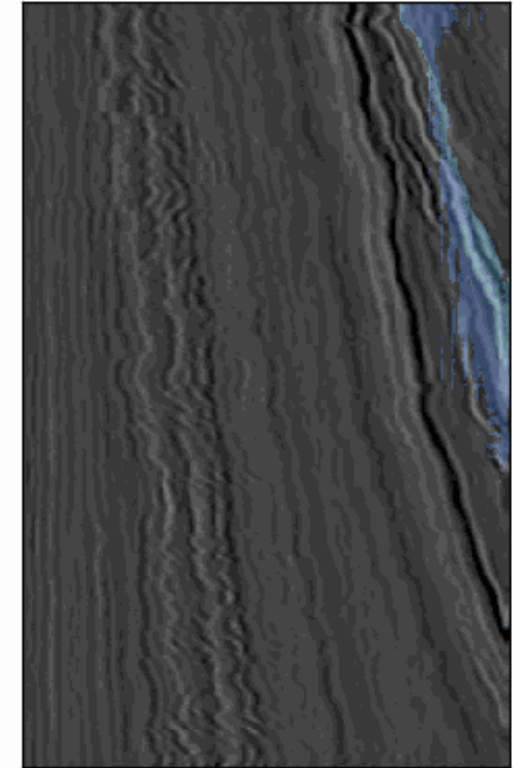
$$SNR = \frac{\mu(V(y|S_x))}{\sigma(V(y|S_x))}$$

Mean of uncertainty map

Standard deviation of uncertainty map

Cosine Similarity(SNR, IoU(Best prompt, GT)) = 0.83

Even without knowing ground truth (GT), we can estimate how well the best prompt will perform



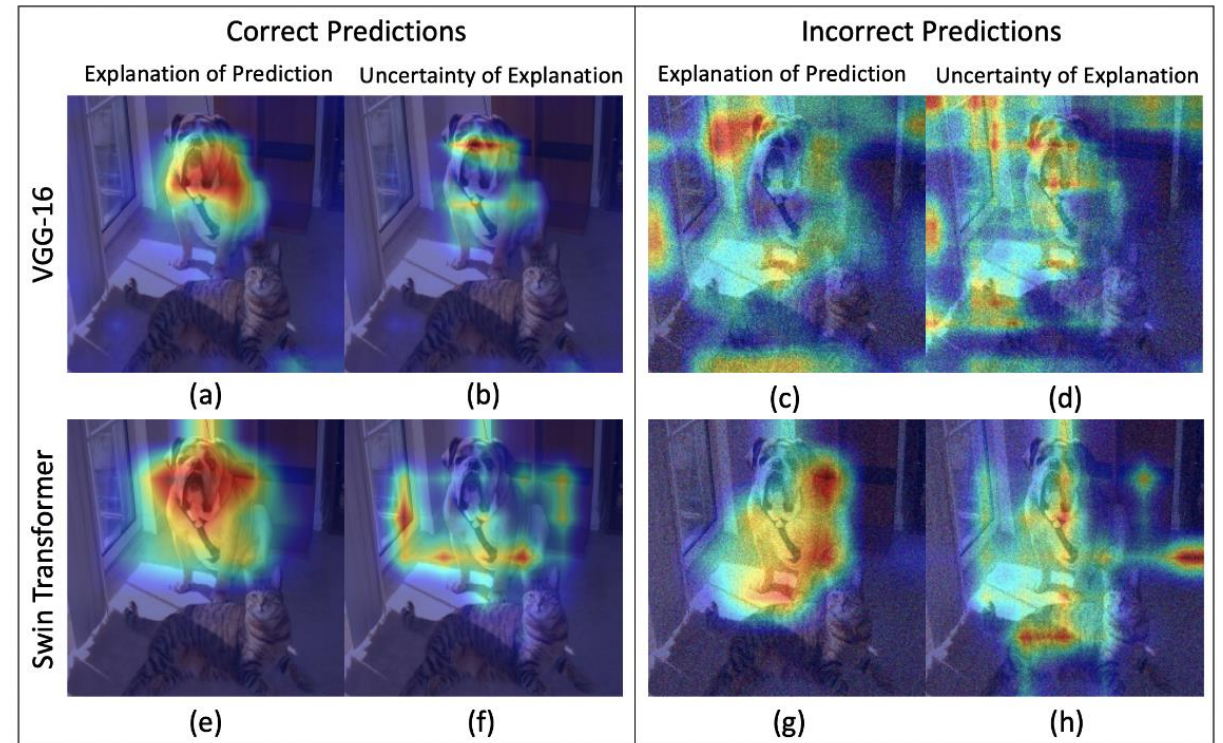
Other Applications...

To analyze and quantify Visual Explainability

- **Conclusion 1: Higher the IoU, higher the uncertainty in explanation (or less trustworthy is the explanation)**
- **Conclusion 2: Higher the SNR of uncertainty, more is the dispersal (or less trustworthy is the explanation)**



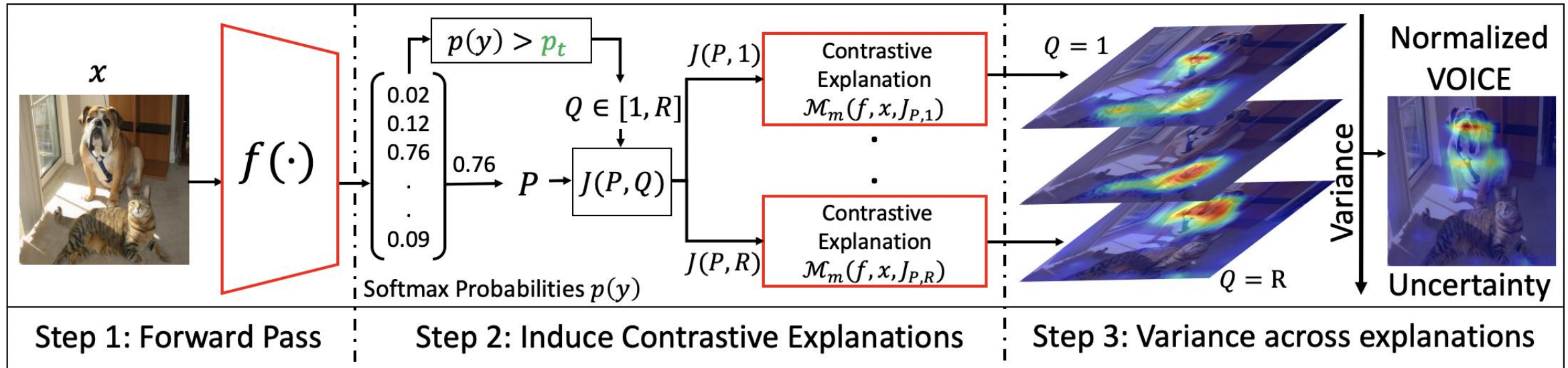
S_{x_1}, S_{x_2} are explanations from GradCAM and RISE



Other Applications...

VOICE: Variance of Induced Contrastive Explanations to quantify Uncertainty in Neural Network Interpretability

Framework utilizes gradients at Inference



Conclusion

Key Takeaways

- Interventional Uncertainty provides a framework for analyzing prompts
- Contrastive analysis provides best guess prompts **among available prompts**
 - Answers *'Why Prompt P, rather than Prompt Q?'*
- Contrastive analysis **does not** provide objectively **best prompts**
 - Does not say the exact location of where to prompt
- Future work to include model parameters within the analysis framework

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