

ML4Seismic Partners Meeting 2023

What Uncertainties do we need in Deep Learning for Seismic Interpretation?

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Assumptions for Natural Image Data

Labels and Image Curation are Deterministic, and Ground Truth Information is Available

Probabilistic Characteristics of Natural Images

- Data Assumptions:**
- Deterministic image curation
 - Deterministic labels
 - Labels are ground truth

Data Parameters



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$$p(X|\xi)$$

Deterministic

Natural Images



X

$$p(Y|X)$$

Deterministic

Ground Truth

“Toad”

Y

Manual Recognition Workflow

$$p(X|\xi)$$

x_1



x_i^*

x_2

$$p(Y|X)$$

y_1



y_i^*

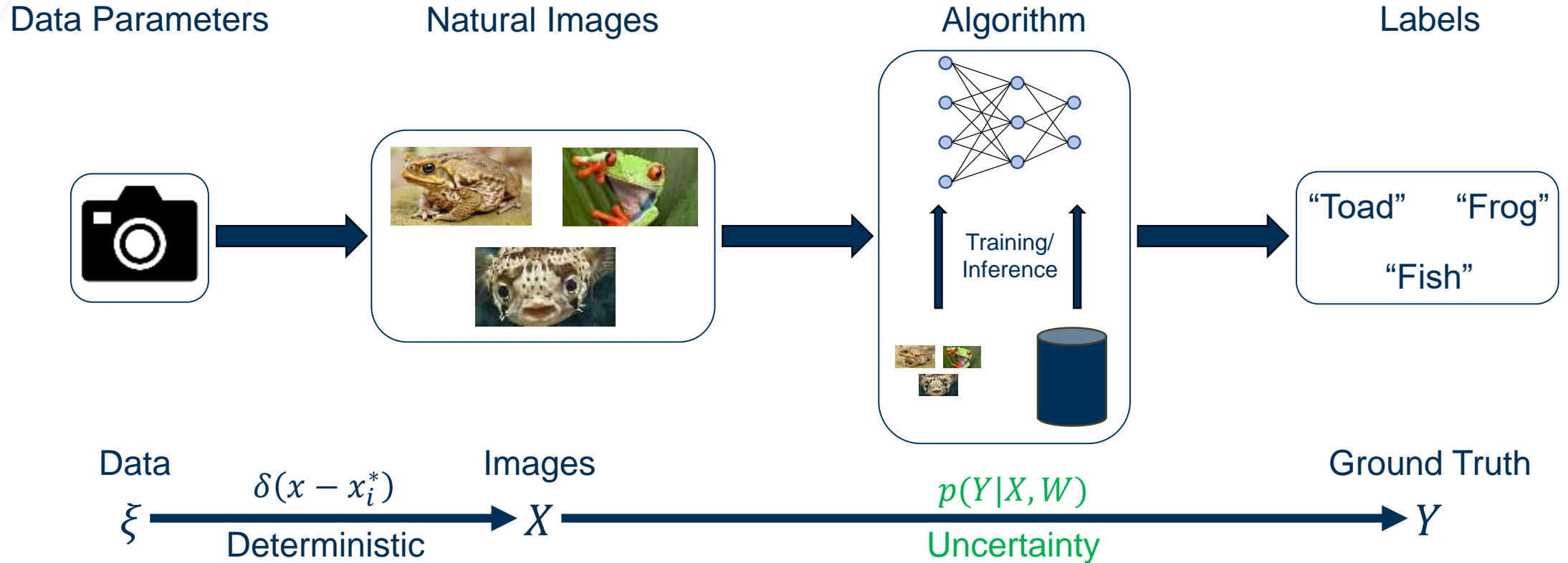
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Associated Densities

Current Uncertainty Frameworks in Machine Learning

Assumptions of Current Uncertainty Frameworks are Reasonable for Natural Images

Uncertainty Frameworks for Natural Images

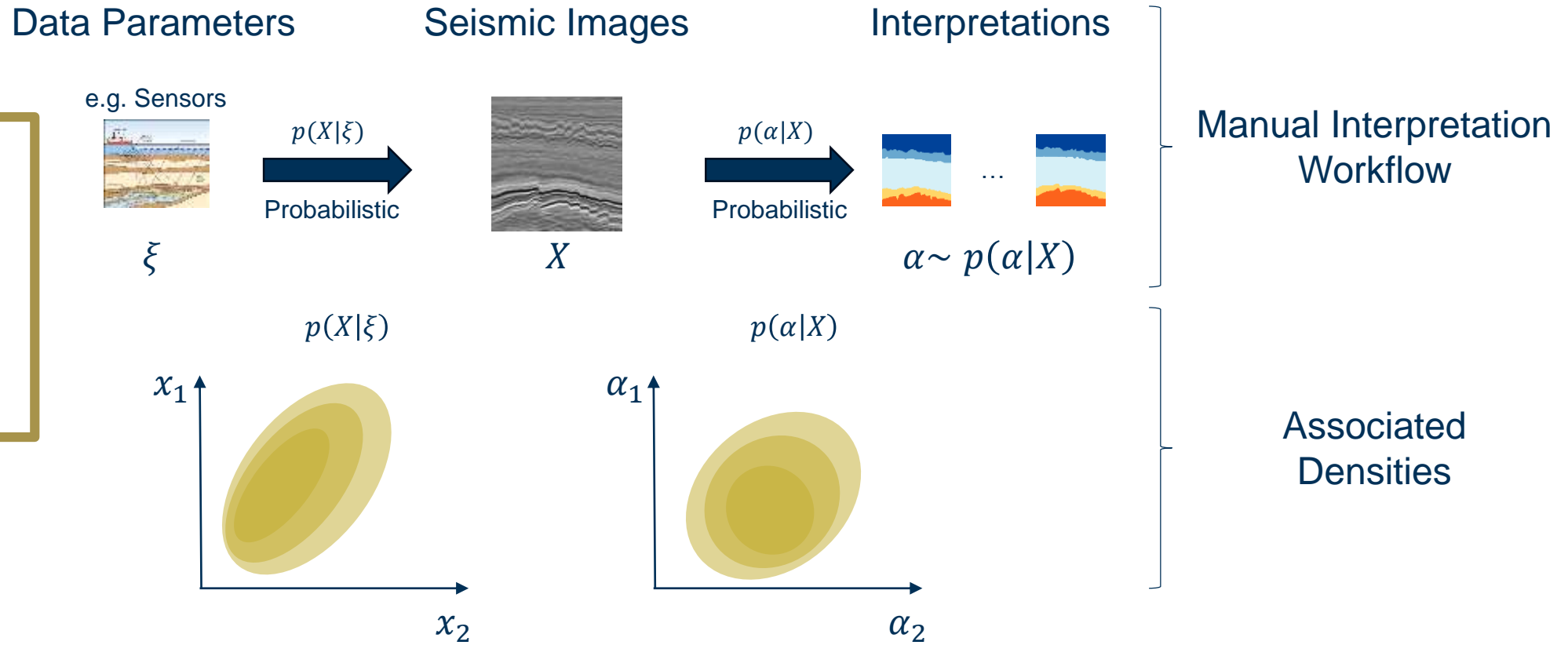


Assumptions for Seismic Image Data

Labels and Image Curation are **Probabilistic**, and **no Ground Truth** Information is Available

Probabilistic Characteristics of Seismic Images

- Data Assumptions:**
- Probabilistic **image curation**
 - Probabilistic **labels**
 - **Labels are interpretations**

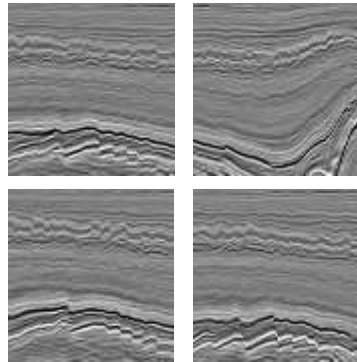


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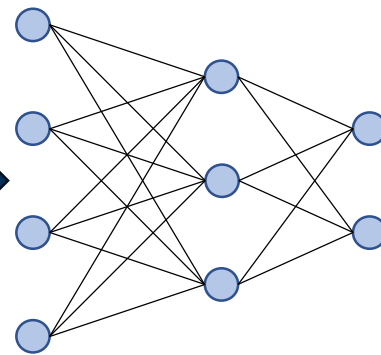
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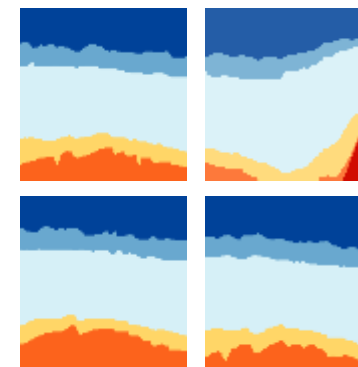
Seismic Data



Algorithm



Labels



Data

X

$p(Y|X, W)$
Uncertainty

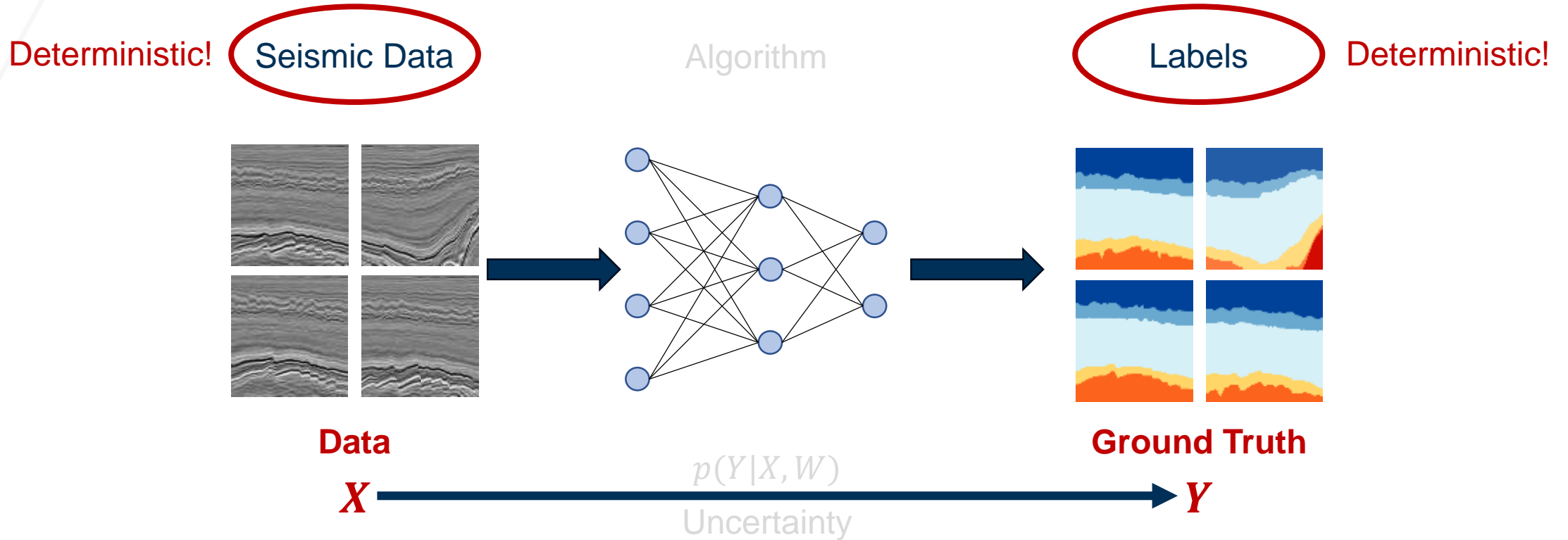
Ground Truth

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Current Uncertainty Frameworks

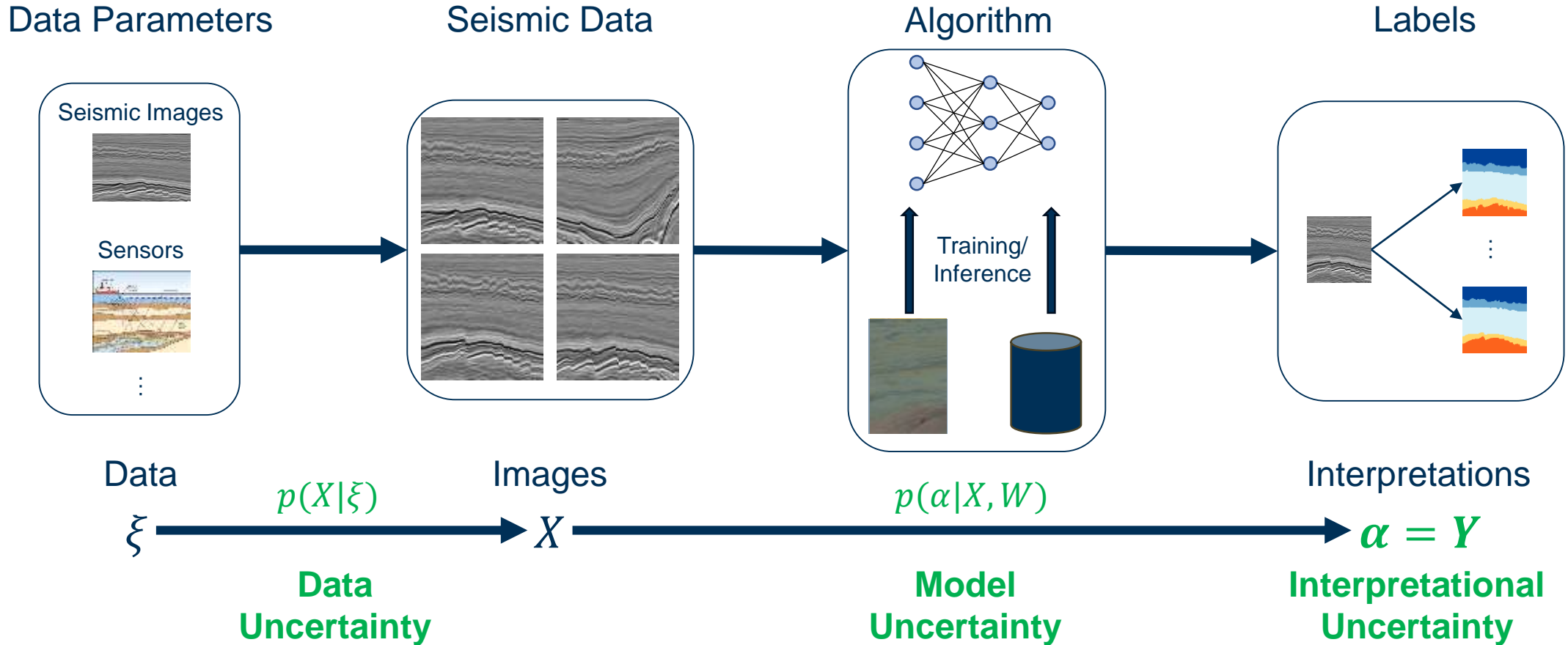


Current frameworks **assume deterministic data and ground truth labels** and does not reflect the practical interpretation pipeline

Proposed Uncertainty Framework

Our Framework Reflects the Processing Steps of the Entire Interpretation Pipeline

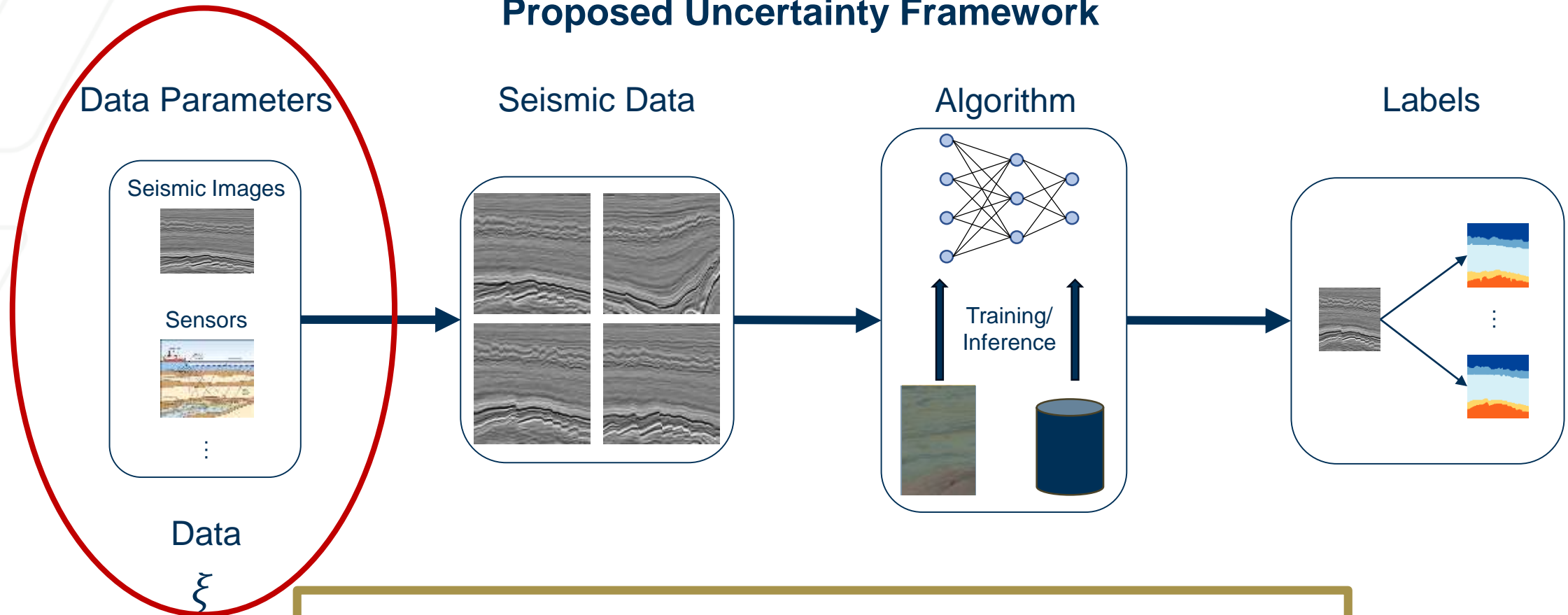
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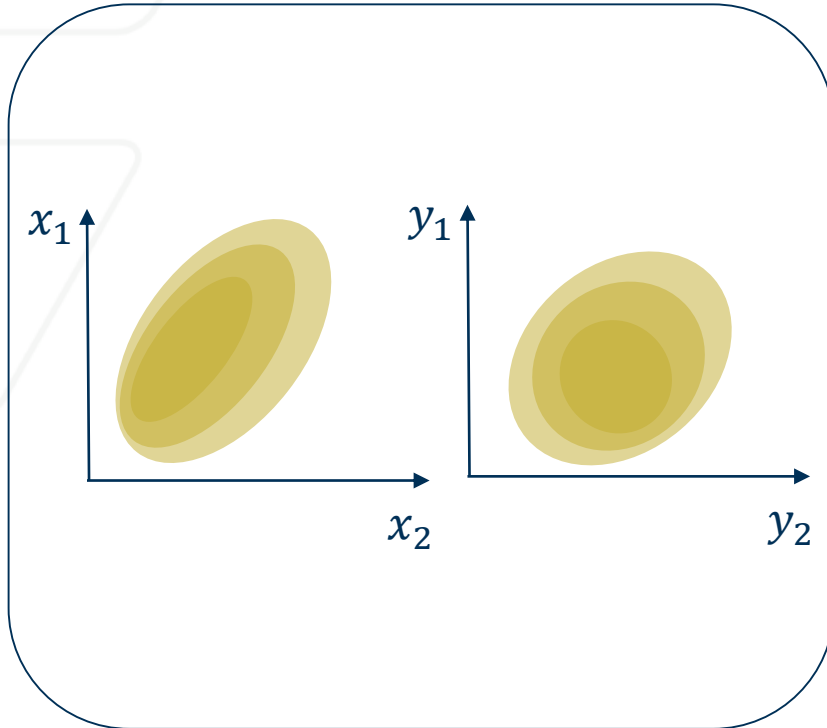
Uncertainties in the **data sensing** is not considered in this framework. We focus on uncertainties **after data collection**.

Presentation Structure and Outline

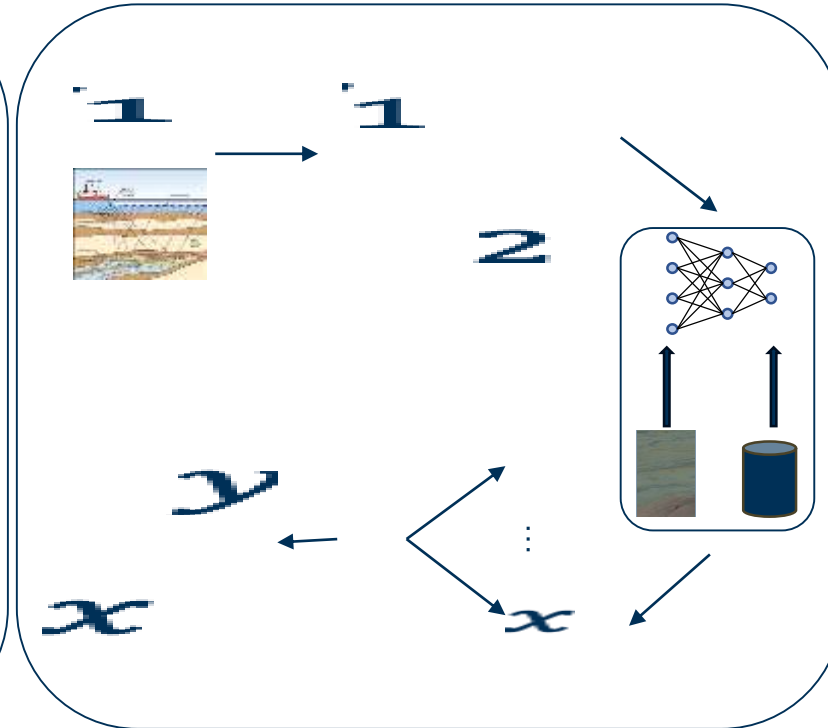
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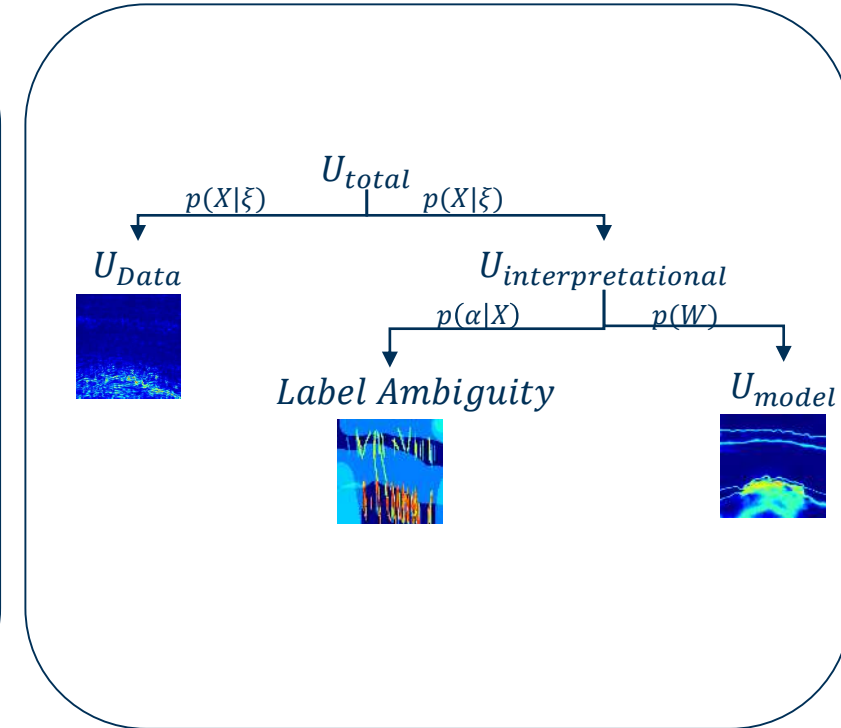
Background: Probabilistic Data



Framework: Uncertainty Sources



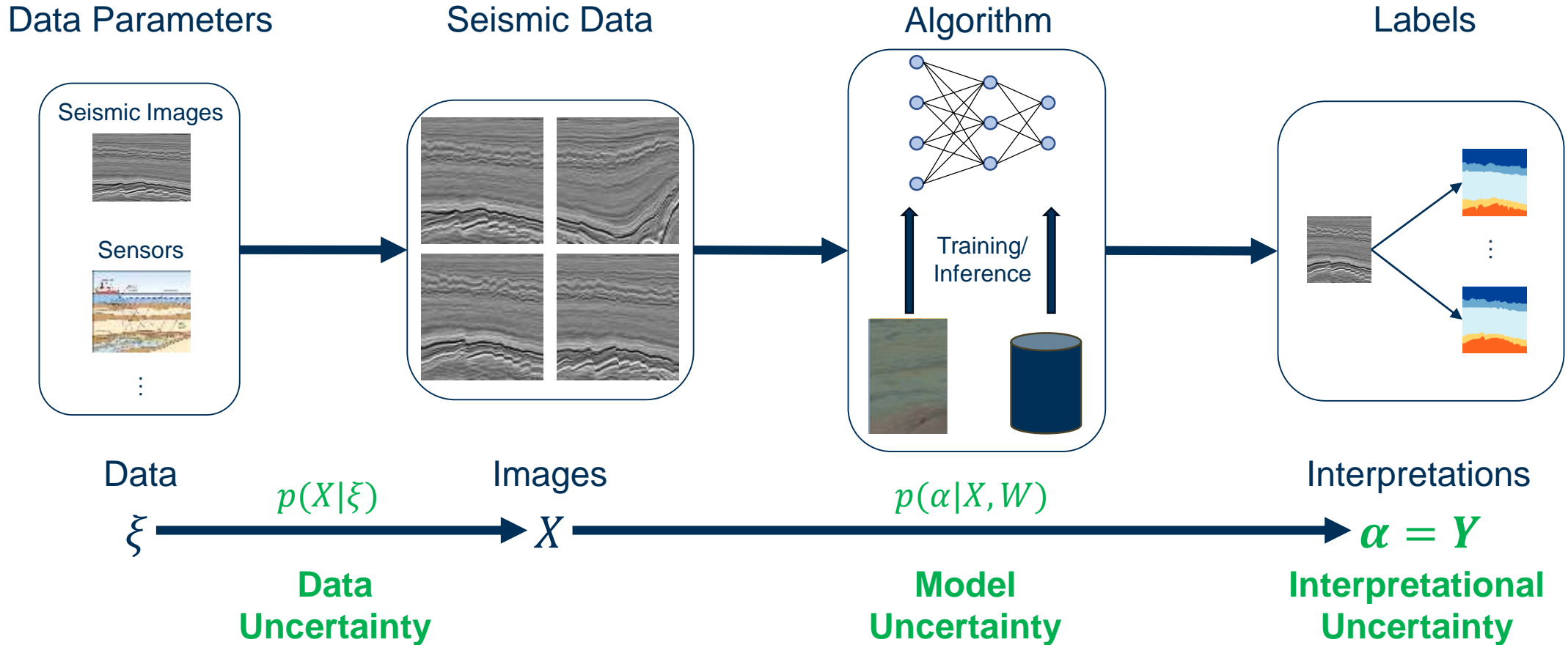
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Proposed Uncertainty Framework



Framework: Observational Uncertainty

Observational Uncertainty Captures Stochasticity in the Seismic Images

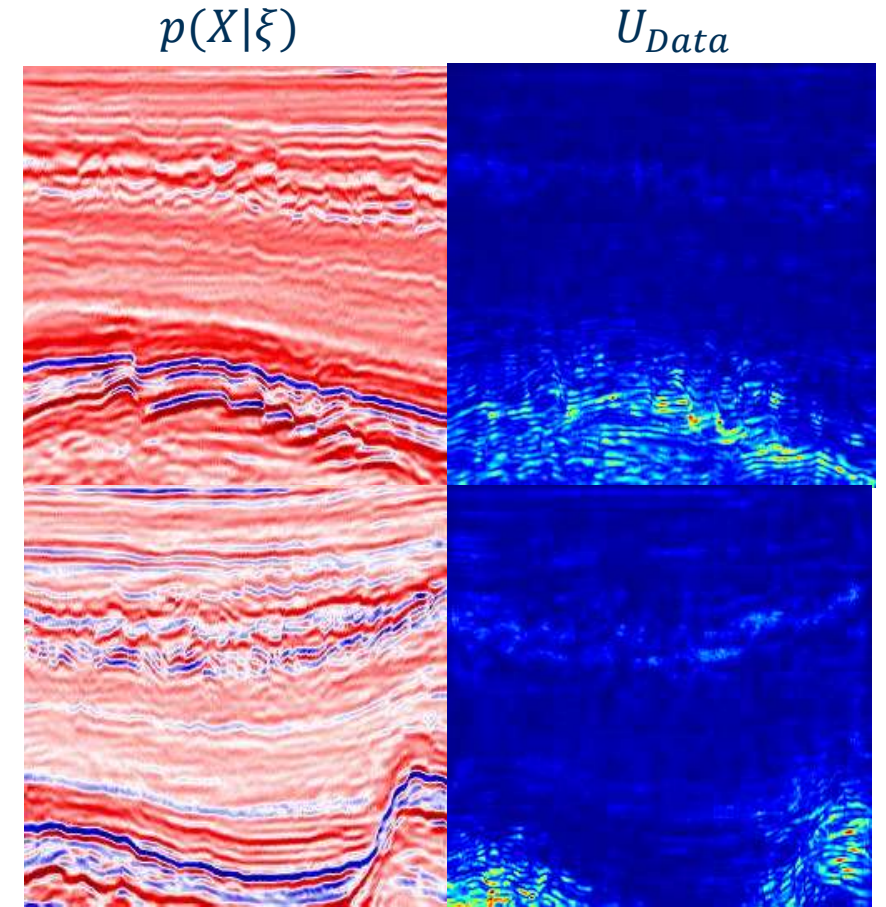
Observational Uncertainty

- Observational uncertainty captures **stochasticity in the images**

- Relevant density:

$$p(X|\xi)$$

- **Measure uncertainty through the spread in $p(X|\xi)$**
- **Propagates** to later stages of the pipeline



Toy Example

Framework: Model Uncertainty

Model Uncertainty Captures Stochasticity in the Neural Network Parameters

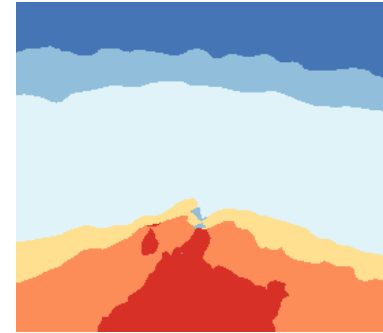
Model Uncertainty

- Algorithmic uncertainty models uncertainty in the **algorithmic parameters**
- Can be **reduced** with more **data**
- Source of uncertainty:

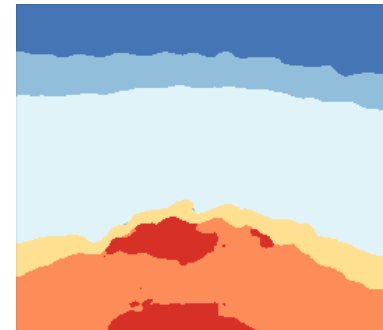
$$p(W)$$

- **Measure uncertainty through the stochasticity in $p(W)$**

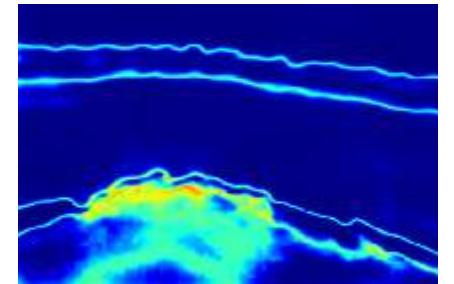
$$p(\alpha|X, W)$$



⋮



$$U_{Model}$$



Framework: Interpretational Uncertainty

Interpretational Uncertainty Captures Stochasticity in the Annotations

Interpretational Uncertainty

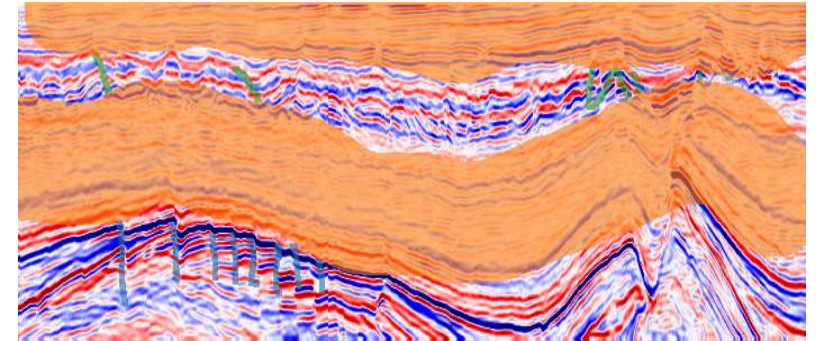
- Interpretational uncertainty captures **stochasticity in the output interpretations**

- Relevant density:

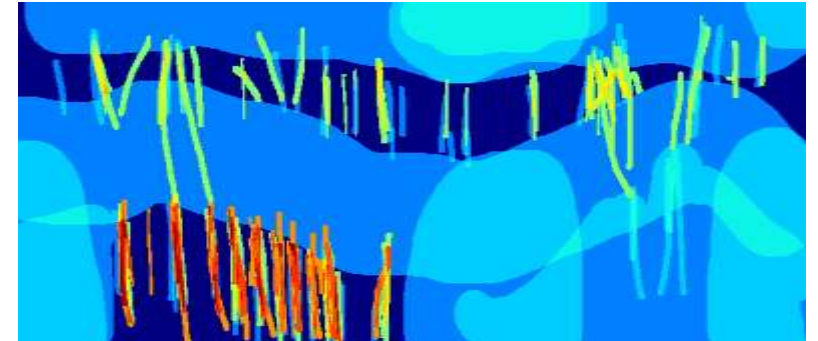
$$p(\alpha|X)$$

- **Measure uncertainty through the spread in $p(\alpha|X)$**
- **Is influenced by model uncertainty** if interpretations are predicted by a neural network

$$p(\alpha|X), U_{Model} = 0$$



Label Ambiguity

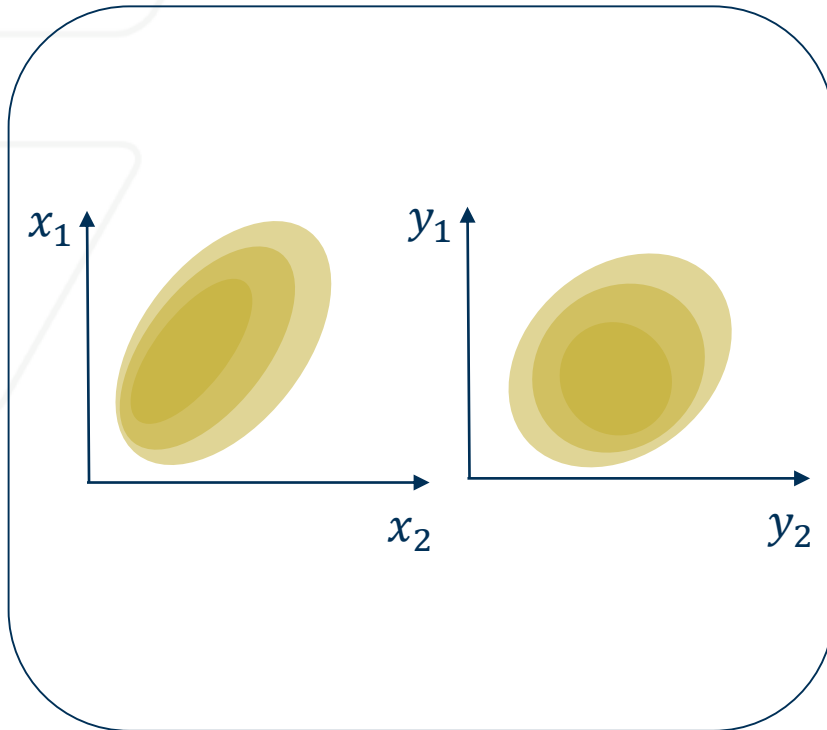


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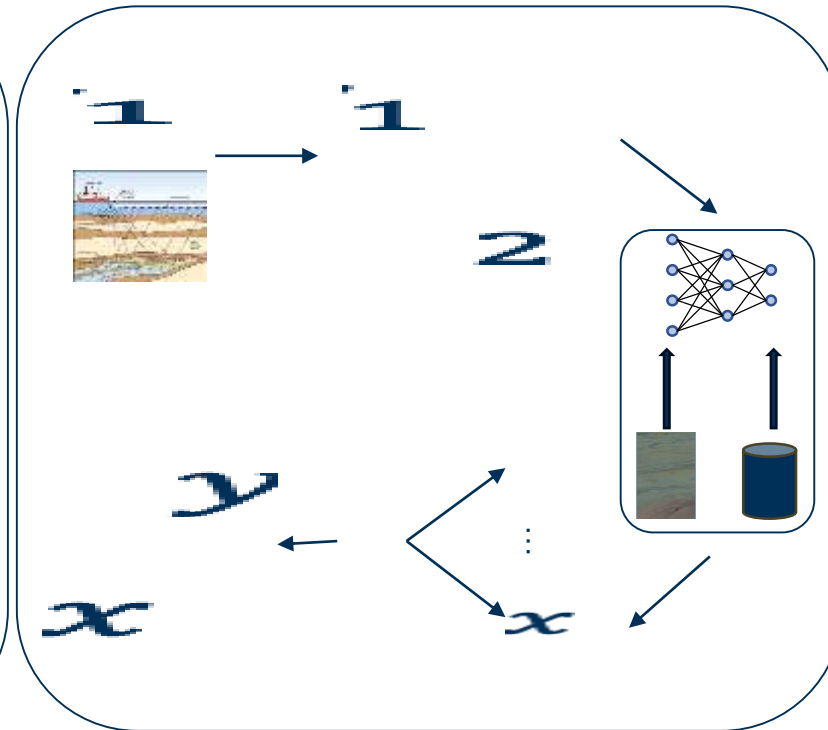
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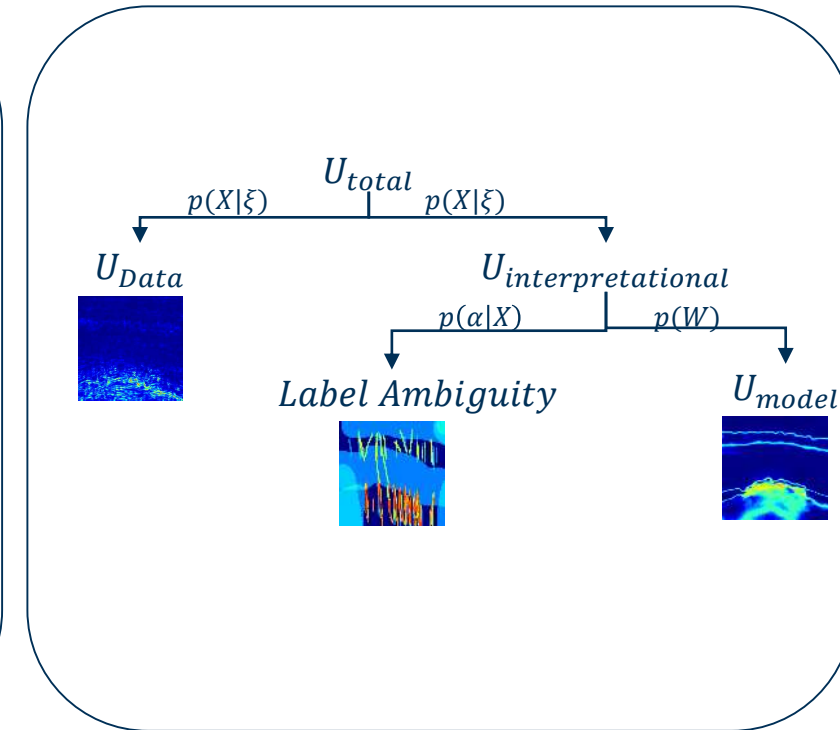
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Framework: Uncertainty Sources



Uncertainty Relationships

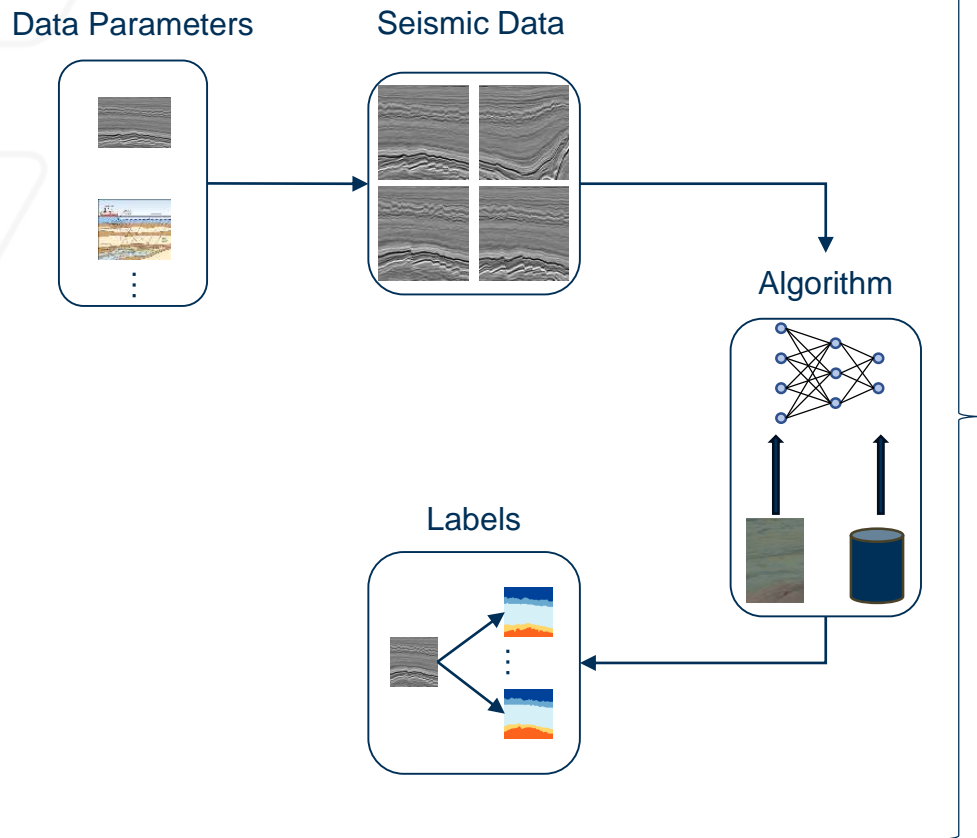


Relationships of Uncertainty

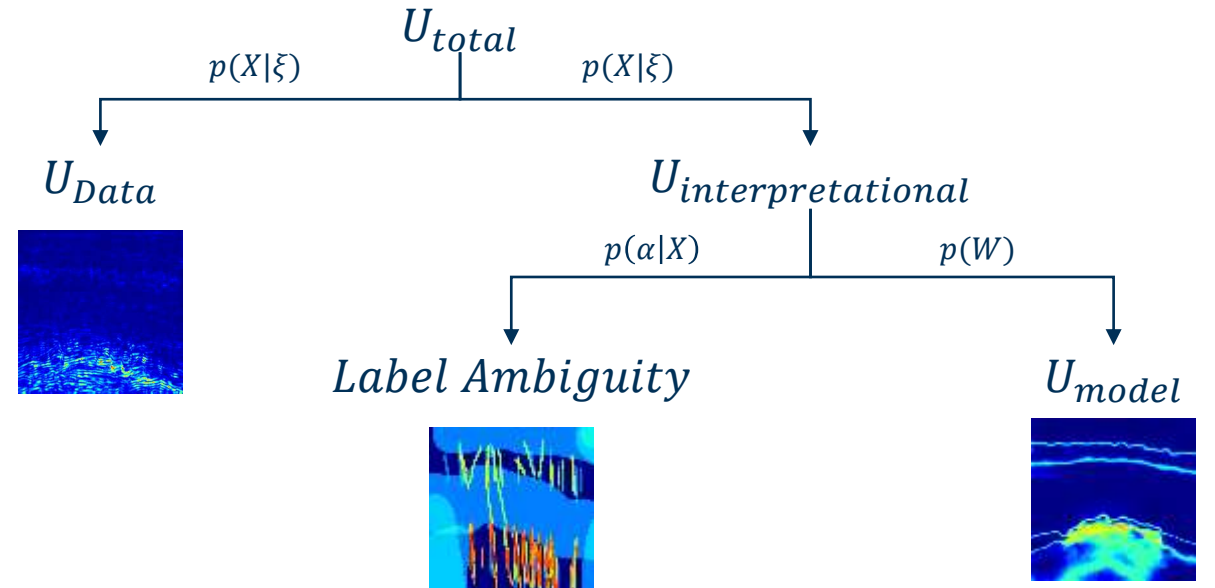
Uncertainty Relationships Propagate Throughout the Pipeline

PLACEHOLDER Reflective Uncertainty

Interpretation Workflow



Uncertainty Relationships



Uncertainty propagates through the interpretation pipeline.

Relationships of Uncertainty

Data Uncertainty can be Calculated from the Total Uncertainty

Data Uncertainty

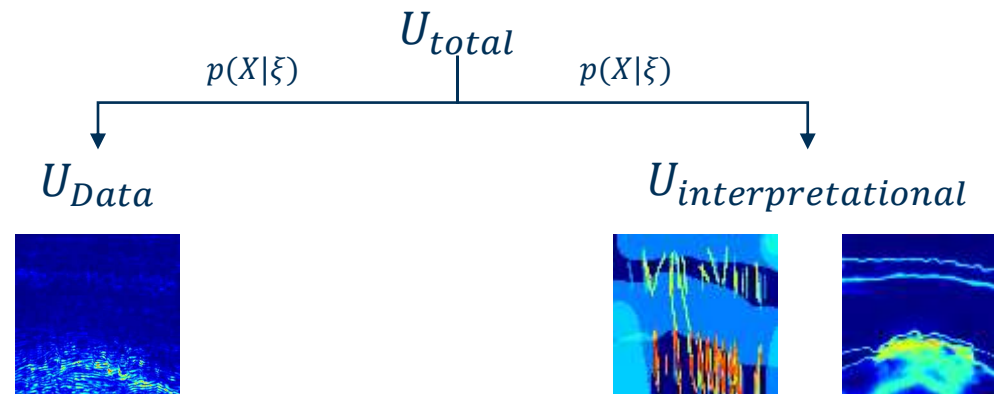
- Full interpretation pipeline $p(\alpha|\xi)$ can be decomposed in sub-posteriors:

$$p(\alpha|\xi) = \int p(\alpha|X)p(X|\xi) dX$$

- Data uncertainty is measurable in the **spread over $p(X|\xi)$** :

$$U_{Data} = \underbrace{H[p(\alpha|\xi)]}_{U_{total}} - \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{p(X|\xi)} H[p(\alpha|X)]}_{U_{Interpretational}}$$

where H is the entropy of a distribution



Alternative Explanation

$$U_{Data} = \underbrace{H[p(\alpha|\xi)]}_{\text{Full Pipeline}} - \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{p(X|\xi)} H[p(\alpha|X)]}_{\text{Remaining Pipeline after data processing}}$$



Full Pipeline



Remaining Pipeline after data processing

Relationships of Uncertainty

Model Uncertainty Captures Stochasticity in the Neural Network Parameters

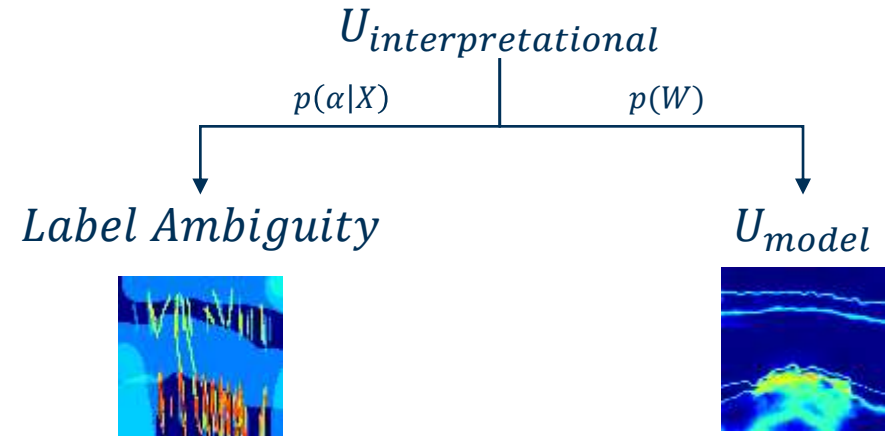
Model Uncertainty

- Remaining interpretation pipeline $p(\alpha|X)$ can be decomposed in sub-posteriors:

$$p(\alpha|X) = \int \underbrace{p(\alpha|X, W)}_{\text{Label Ambiguity}} \underbrace{p(W)}_{\text{Model}} dX$$

- Data uncertainty is measurable in the **spread over $p(W)$** :

$$U_{Model} = H \left[\mathbb{E}_{p(W)} H[p(\alpha|X, W)] \right] - \mathbb{E}_{p(W)} H[p(\alpha|X, W)]$$



Relationships of Uncertainty

Interpretational Uncertainty is a Function of Model Uncertainty and Label Ambiguity

Interpretational Uncertainty

- Uncertainty in the **interpretation** is given by the **posterior** $p(\alpha|X)$:

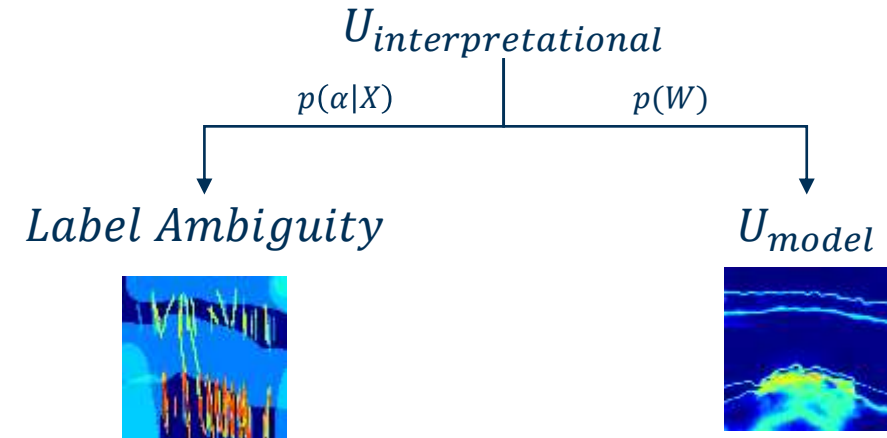
$$U_{Interpretational} = \mathbb{E}_{p(X|\xi)} H[p(\alpha|X)]$$

- When interpretations are given by a **model**:

$$U_{Interpretational} = \mathbb{E}_{p(X|\xi)} H[p(\alpha|X)]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{p(X|\xi)} H[\mathbb{E}_{p(W)} p(\alpha|X, W)]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{p(X|\xi)} [U_{Model} + \mathbb{E}_{p(W)} H[p(\alpha|X, W)]]$$
$$\mathbb{E}_{p(X|\xi)} [U_{Model} + \mathbb{E}_{p(W)} H[p(\alpha|X, W)]]$$



Explicit Relationship

$$U_{Interpretational} = \mathbb{E}_{p(X|\xi)} [U_{Model} + \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{p(W)} H[p(\alpha|X, W)]}_{\text{Label Ambiguity}}]$$

Relationships of Uncertainty

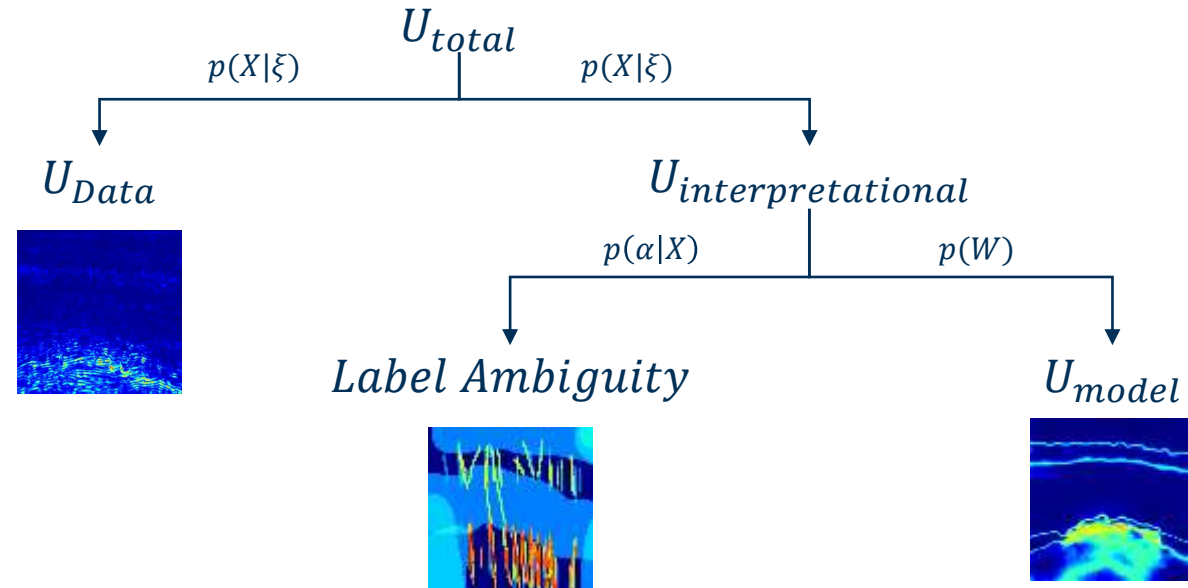
All Uncertainty Sources together Constitute Total Uncertainty

PLACEHOLDER Reflective Uncertainty

Uncertainty Relationships

Explicit Relationship

$$U_{total} = U_{Data} + \mathbb{E}_{p(X|\xi)} [U_{Model} + \text{Label Ambiguity}]$$



Uncertainty propagates through the interpretation pipeline.

Thanks for Listening
Questions?

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Preliminaries: Probabilistic Input and Output Data

Input and Output Data is Probabilistic in Seismic Interpretation Pipelines

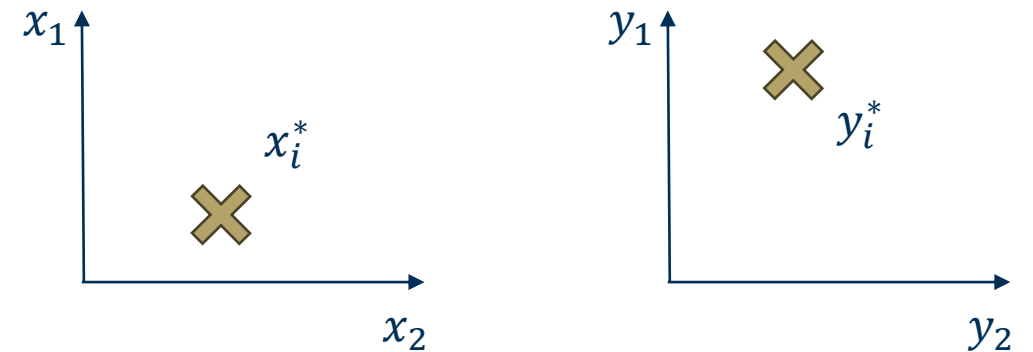
Data Characteristics for Natural Image Pipelines

- Conventional ML frameworks assume **fixed data and labels**
- Underlying **deterministic** densities:

$$y_i \sim \delta(y - y_i^*)$$
$$x_i \sim \delta(x - x_i^*)$$

- **Realistic assumption for natural images** where both image generation and label assignment are deterministic
- **Assumption problematic for seismic** as label and data are probabilistic

Example for Natural Images



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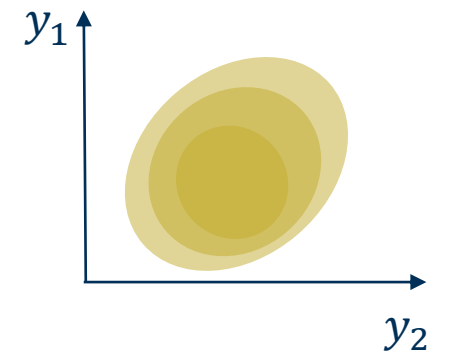
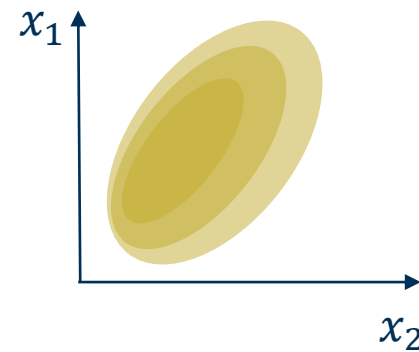
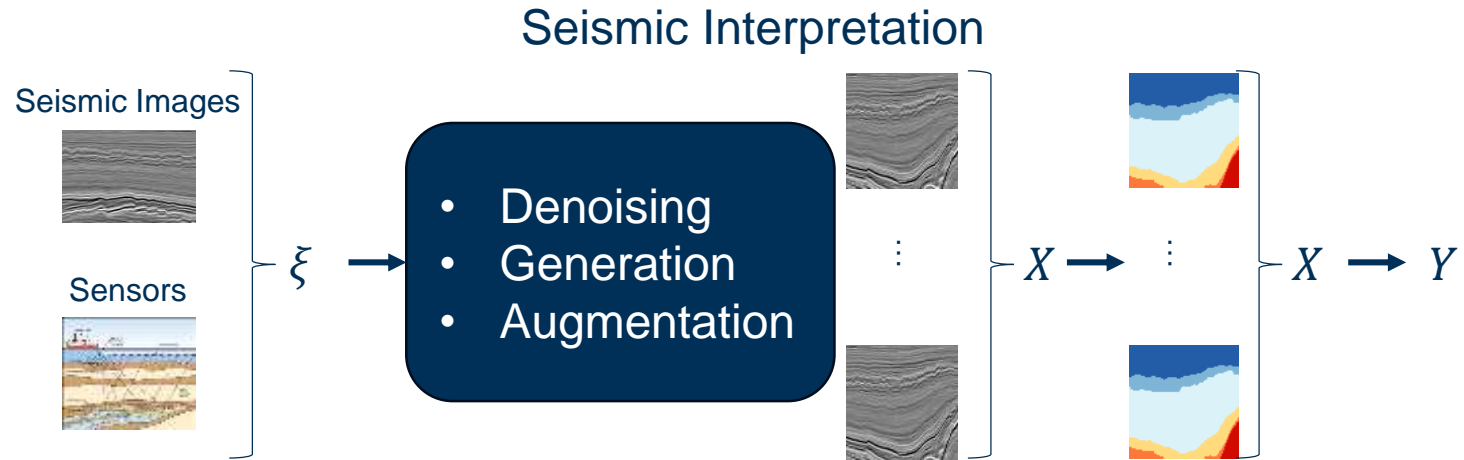
Data Characteristics for Seismic Interpretation Pipelines

- **Data and annotations are stochastic for seismic interpretation**
- Underlying **stochastic** densities:

$$y_i \sim p(y|\alpha)$$
$$x_i \sim p(x|\xi)$$

- **Examples** of image stochasticity:
 - Generation
 - Augmentation
 - Processing

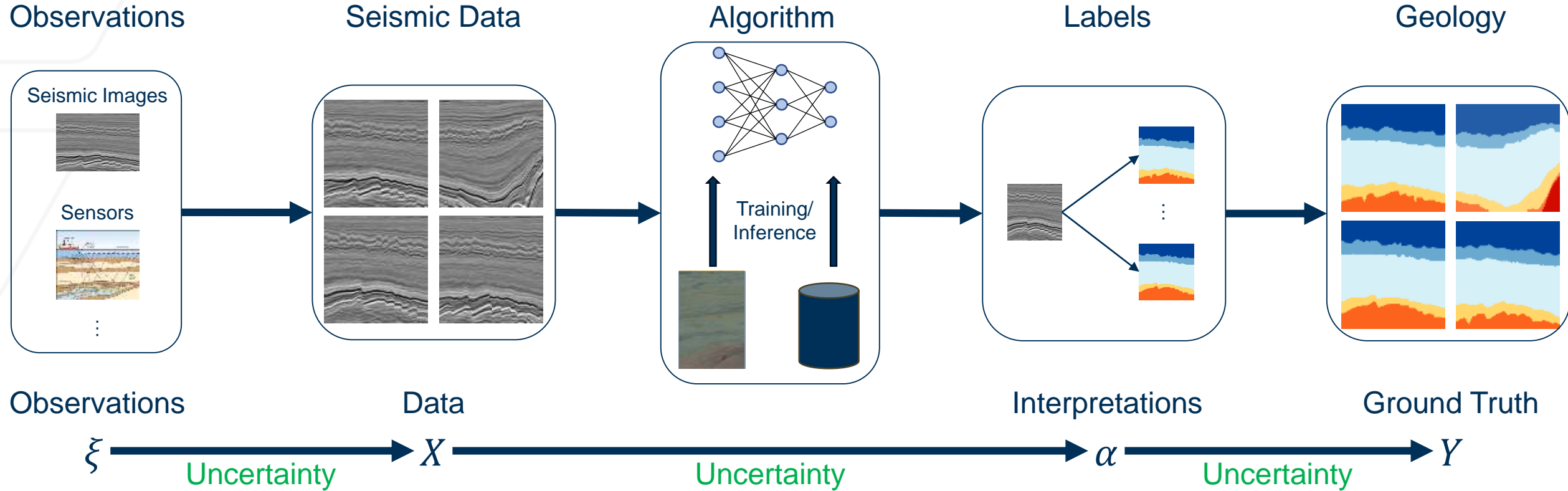
- **Label stochasticity stems from image and expert ambiguity**



Proposed Uncertainty Framework

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Proposed Uncertainty Framework



Framework: PLACEHOLDER – Reflective Uncertainty

Reflective Uncertainty Mirror a Set of Transformations and Enable Modularity

PLACEHOLDER Reflective Uncertainty

Consider a pipeline

$$h_{\text{pipeline}} = h_1 \circ h_2 \dots \circ h_N,$$

where h_{pipeline} is a series of concatenated functions. We say a uncertainty **framework is reflective** if it, when recursively applied, **reflects the individual pipeline components**:

$$u_{\text{pipeline}} = u_1 \circ u_2 \dots \circ u_3$$

$$h_{\text{pipeline}}(x) = h_1(h_2(h_3(x)))$$

$$u_{\text{pipeline}}(x) = u_1(u_2(u_3(x)))$$

Desirable Property for seismic due to **modularity and separability**

Framework: PLACEHOLDER

Find Relationship between Uncertainty Scores and Uncertainty in the Total Pipeline

Our Uncertainty Framework is Reflective

- Observational Uncertainty

$$p(y|\xi) = \int p(y|x)p(x|\xi)dx$$

- Interpretational Uncertainty:

$$p(y|x) = \int p(y|\alpha)p(\alpha|x)d\alpha$$

- Algorithmic Uncertainty:

$$p(\alpha|x) = \int p(\alpha|x,w)p(w)dw$$

$$p(y|\xi) = \int \underbrace{p(y|\alpha)}_{U_{int}} \underbrace{p(\alpha|x,w)}_{U_{alg}} \underbrace{p(w)p(x|\xi)}_{U_{obs}} dw d\alpha dx$$

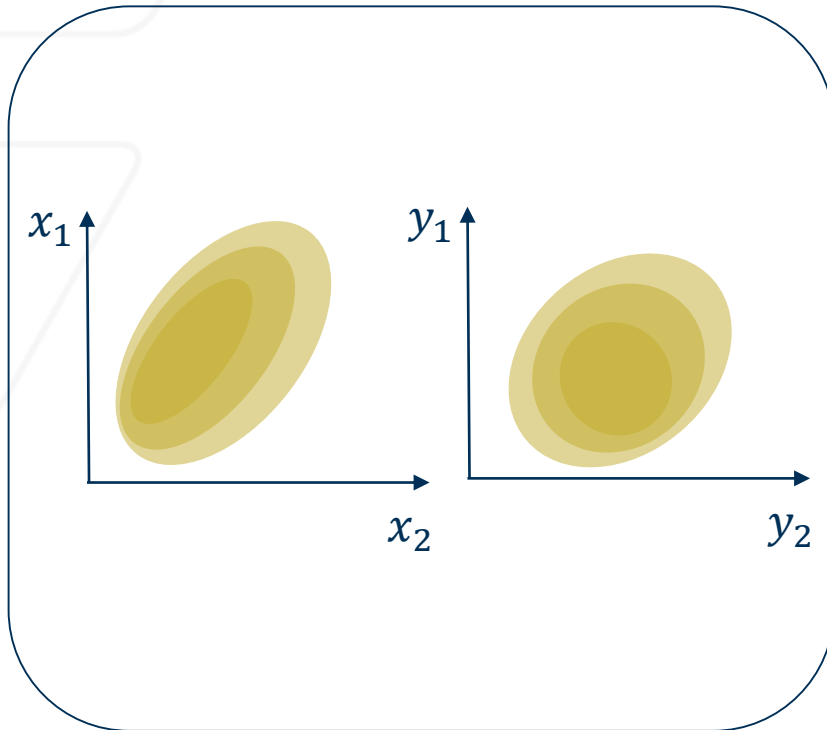
$$U(y|\xi) = \dots = f(U_{int}, U_{obs}, U_{alg})$$

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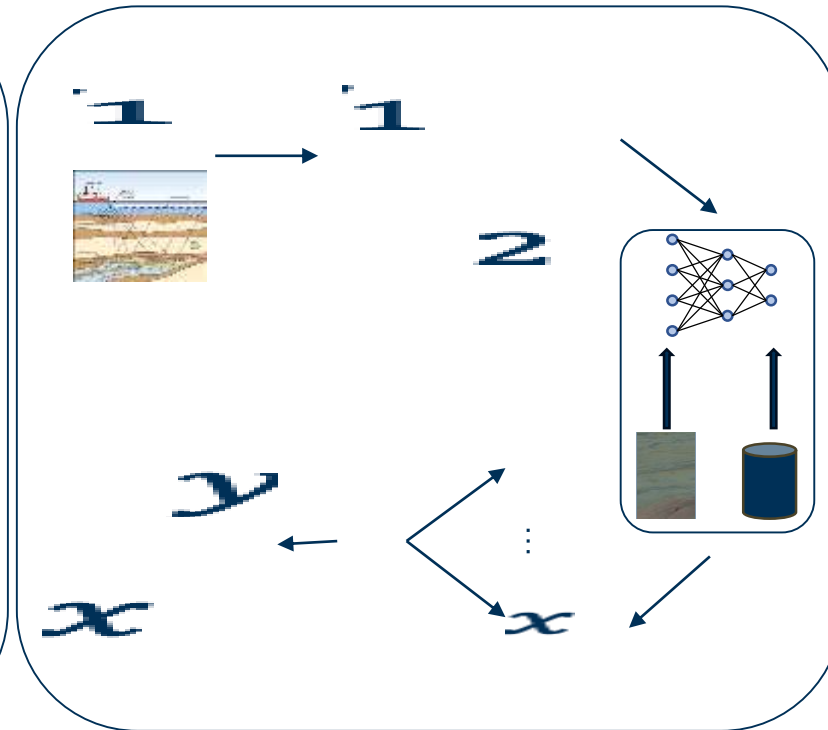
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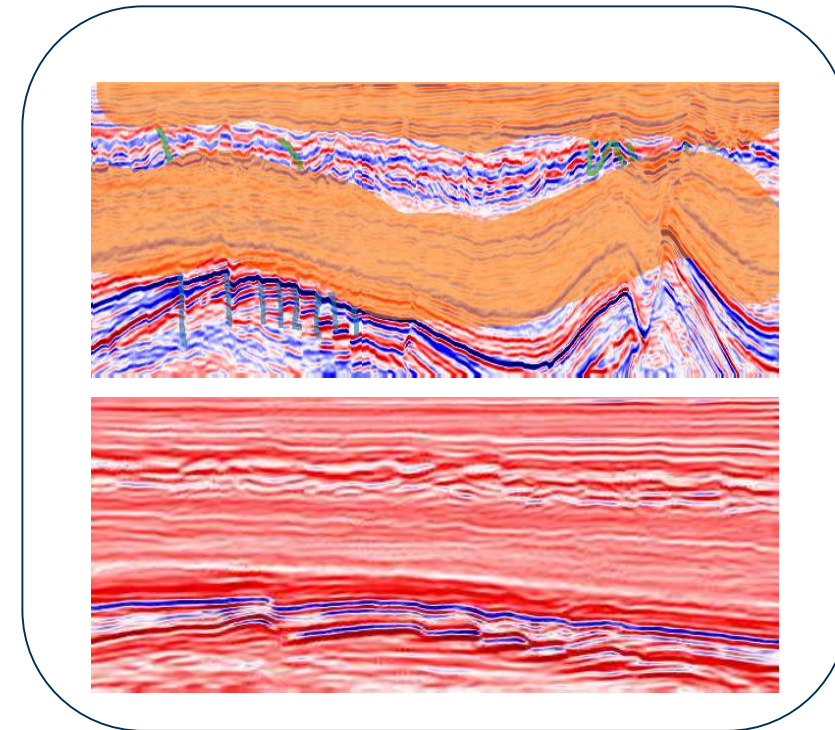
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Results: Visuals



Results: Observational Uncertainty

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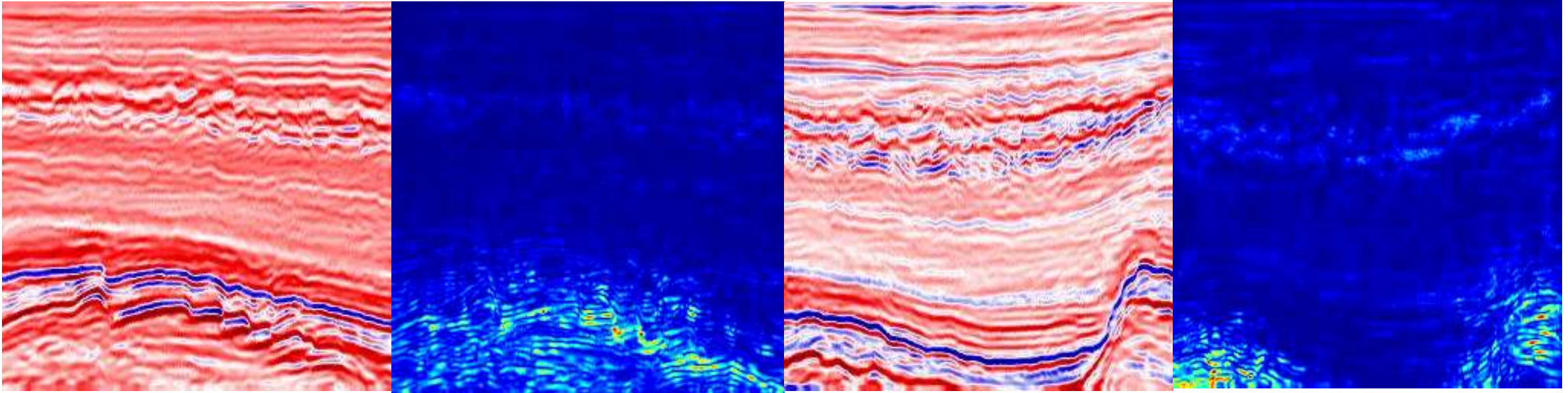
Observational Uncertainty

$p(X|\xi_1)$

$U(X)$

$p(X|\xi_2)$

$U(X)$



$$U_{\text{obs}}(X) \approx \mathbb{E}_{p(X|\xi)} X^2 - \left(\mathbb{E}_{p(X|\xi)} X \right)^2$$

Results: Interpretational Uncertainty

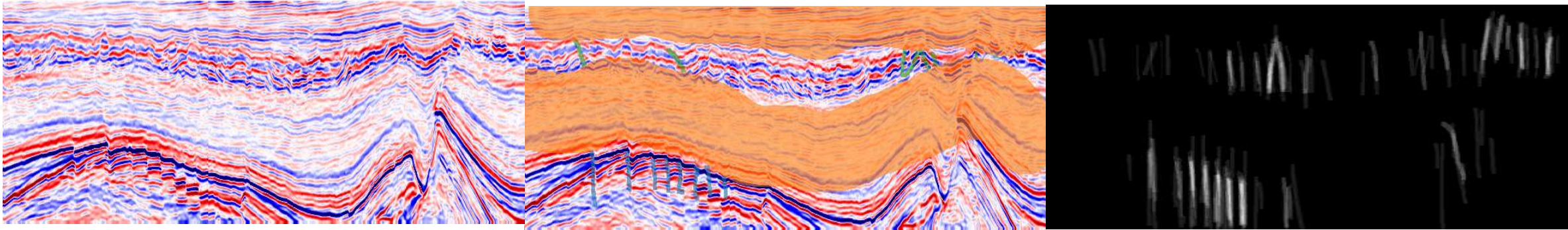
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Interpretational Uncertainty

X_1

$p(\alpha|X_1)$

$U(\alpha)$



$$U_{\text{int}}(\alpha) \approx \mathbb{E}_{p(\alpha|X)} \alpha^2 - \left(\mathbb{E}_{p(\alpha|X)} \alpha \right)^2$$

Results: Algorithmic Uncertainty

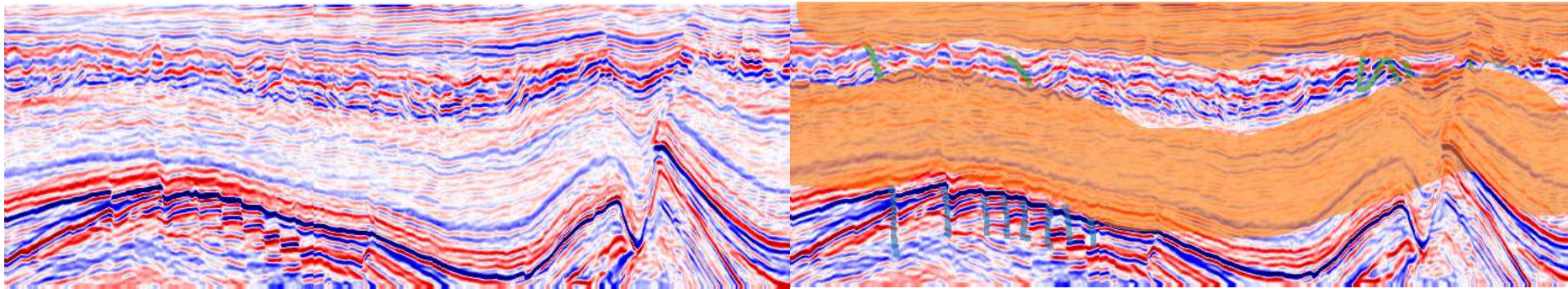
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Algorithmic Uncertainty PLACEHOLDER

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