

# Augmented Experiments in Material Engineering Using Machine Learning

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# Synthesis of New Materials in Industry

Binary Mixture and Target Material



Calamine Oxide

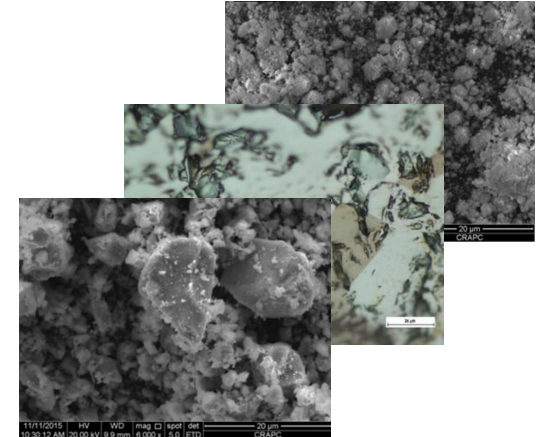


Red Pigment

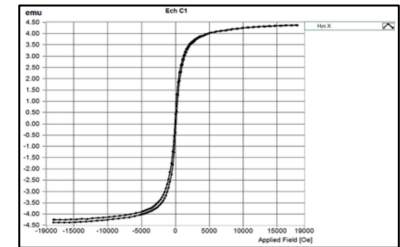


proportion in %

Synthesis  
(Real experiments)

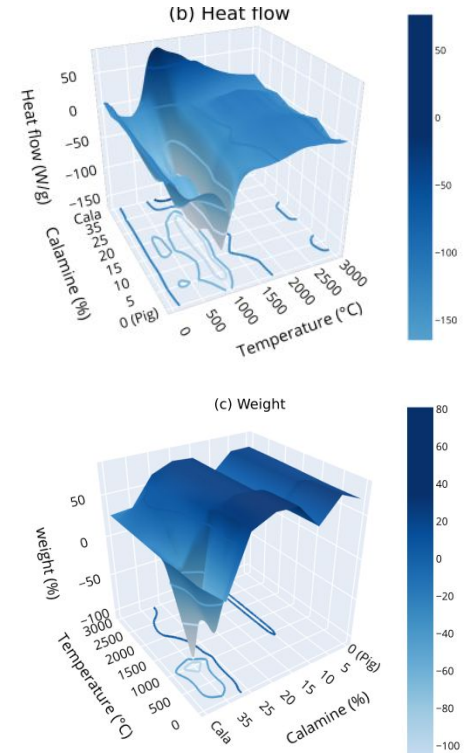
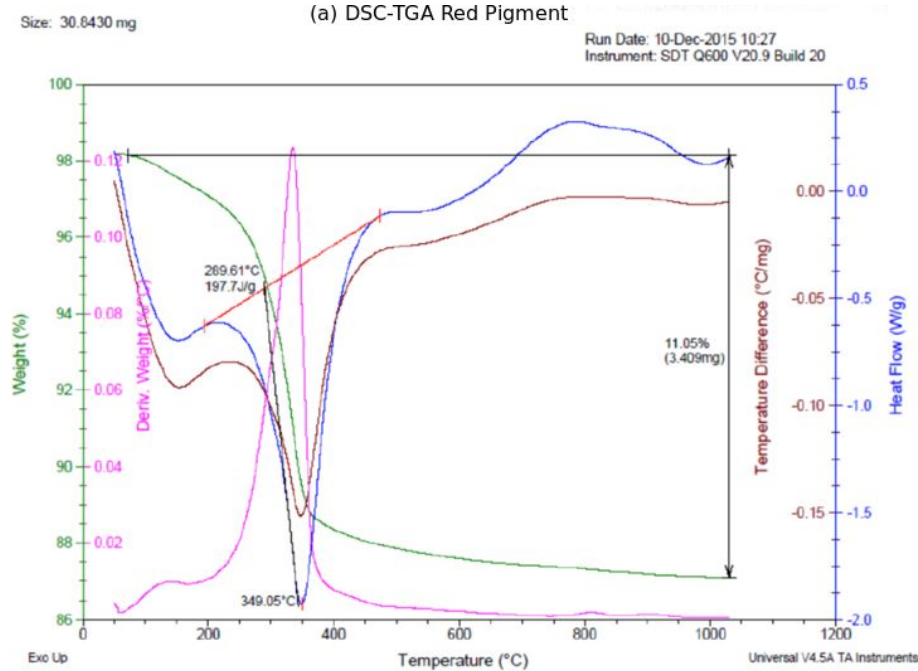


optical properties



ferromagnetic properties

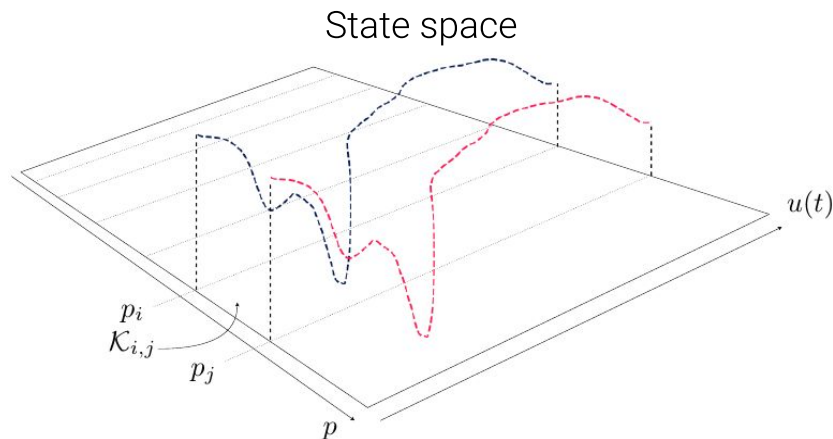
# Thermal & Mass Loss Analysis



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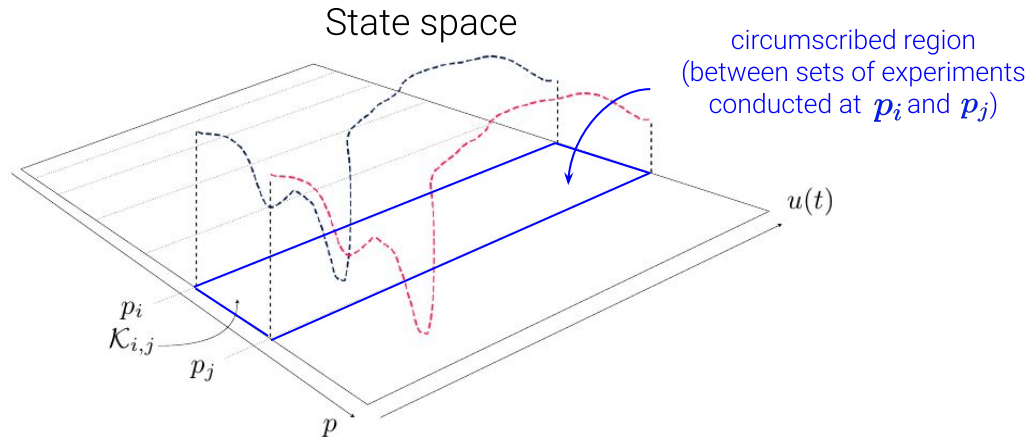
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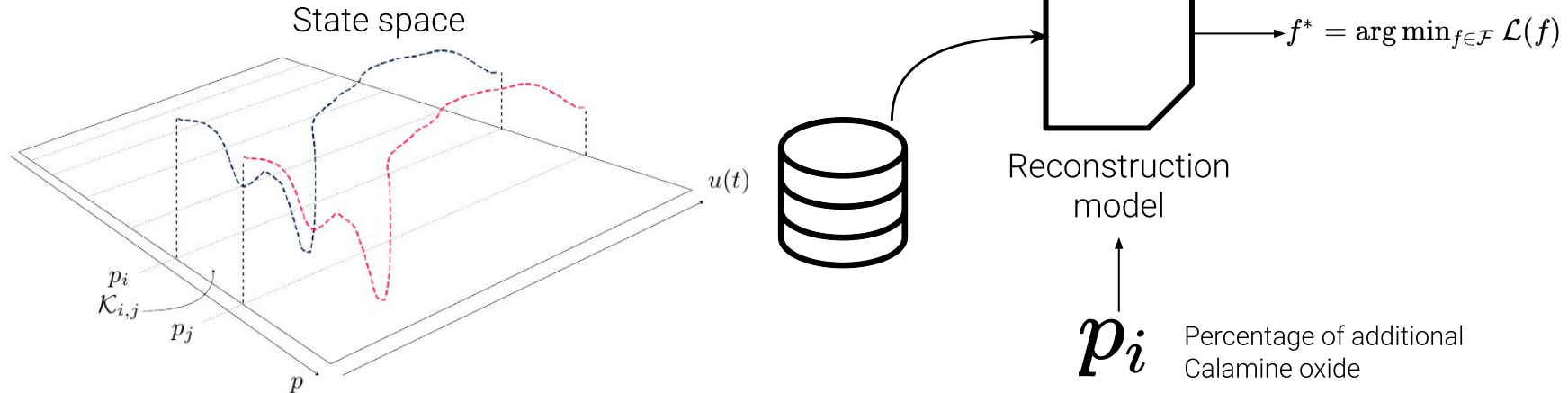
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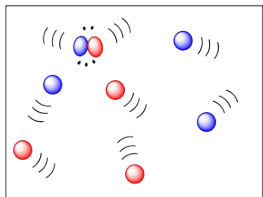
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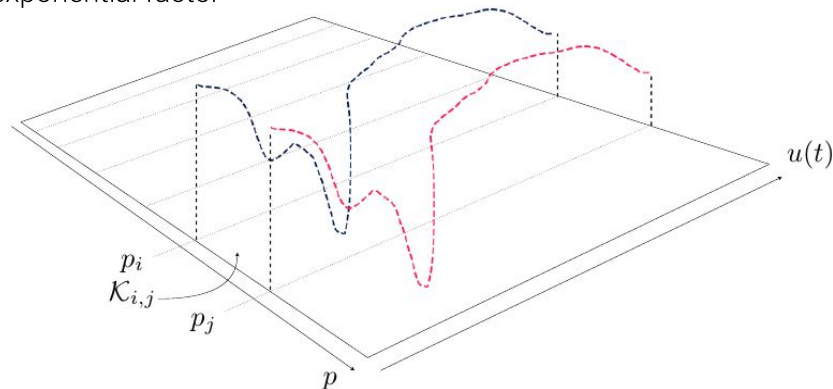
Rate of the reaction  $\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial t} = k(1 - \alpha)^n$

- Arrhenius equation  $k = Ae^{-E_a/RT}$

- Eyring equation  $k = \frac{k_B T}{h} e^{\frac{\Delta S^\ddagger}{R}} e^{-\frac{\Delta H^\ddagger}{RT}}$



Pre-exponential factor



Reconstruction model

$p_i$

Percentage of additional Calamine oxide

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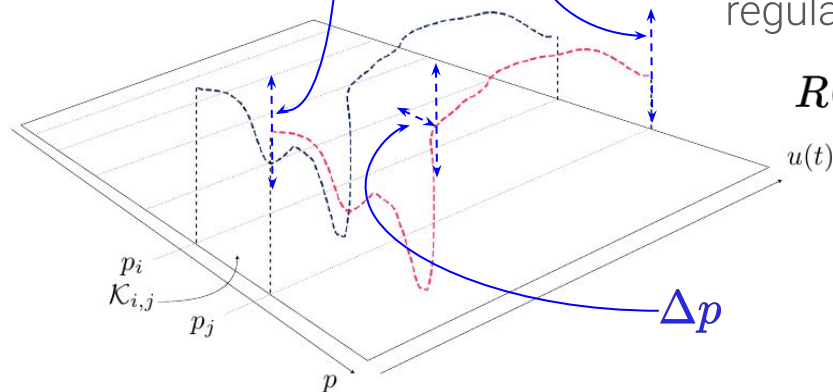


# Kinetic-Based Regularization

$$f^* = \arg \min_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \mathcal{L}(f) + \lambda R(f)$$

Using the neighboring points  $p_i + \Delta p, p_i + 2\Delta p, p_i + 3\Delta p$  we derive a series of penalty bounds  $\mathbf{b}_j = [\Delta_j^{t_1}, \dots, \Delta_j^{t_{max}}]$  at each applied temperature  $t_1, \dots, t_{max}$ . The regularization-like term becomes

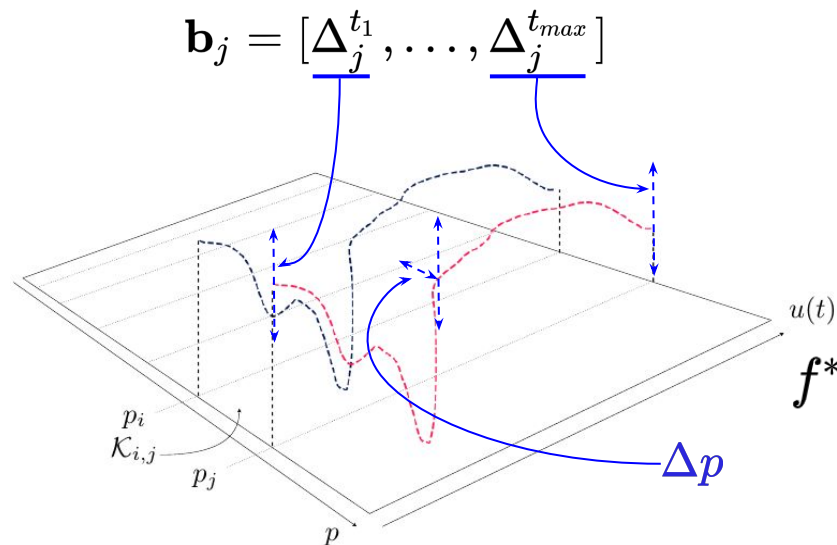
$$R(f) = \frac{1}{P} \sum_{j=1}^P \mathbf{1}\{|f(p_i + j\Delta p) - \mathbf{b}_j| > \epsilon\}$$



# Finding Pareto-Optimal Solutions

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Stochastic  
Gradient  
Descent



$$f^* = \arg \min_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \mathcal{L}(f) \text{ s.t. } R(f) \leq \mu$$

Conditional  
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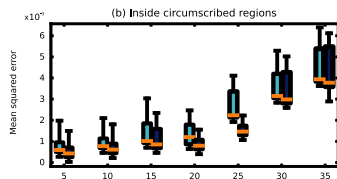
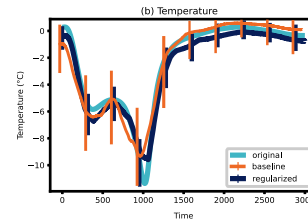
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# Experimental Setup

- Dataset
  - SDT-Q600 from TA-instruments version 20.9 build 20;
  - Monitored signals: temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), weight (mg), heat flow (mW), temperature difference ( $\mu\text{V}$ ), sample purge flow (mL/min), etc.;
  - 3000 measurement points at a sampling rate of 2 Hz;
  - Real experiments conducted at 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 35 % of additional calamine oxide
- Training details
  - Stacking of Conv1d/ReLU/MaxPool blocks (Tensorflow);
  - Hyperparameter optimization (scikit-optimize/Microsoft NNI);
  - Kinetics regularization-like terms derived analytically (chempy)

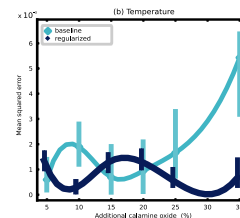
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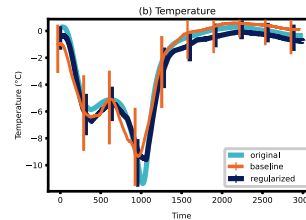
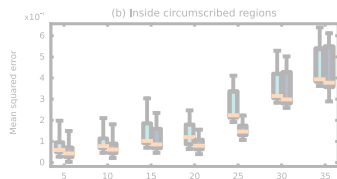


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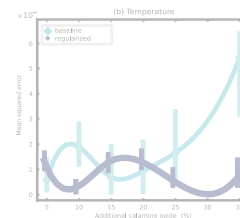
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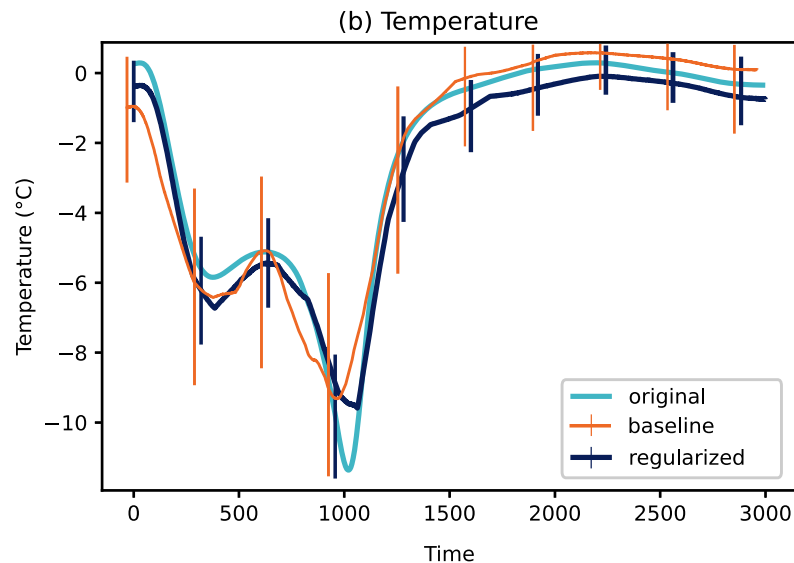
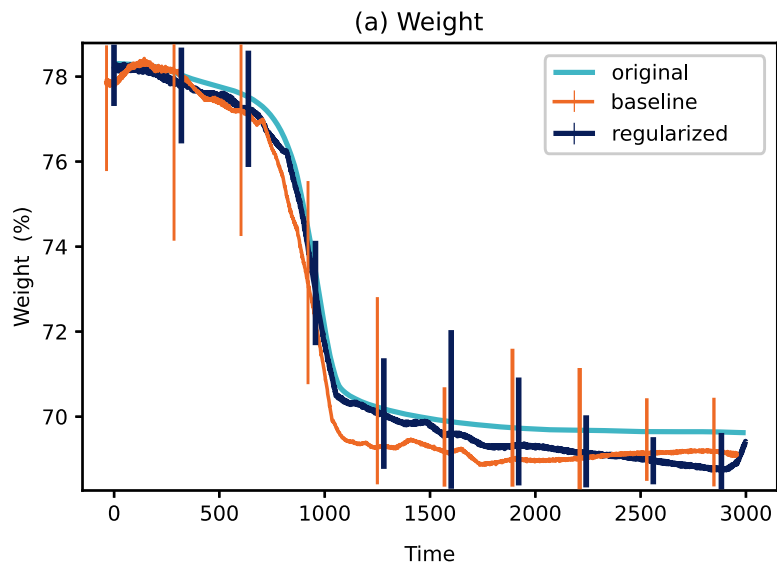
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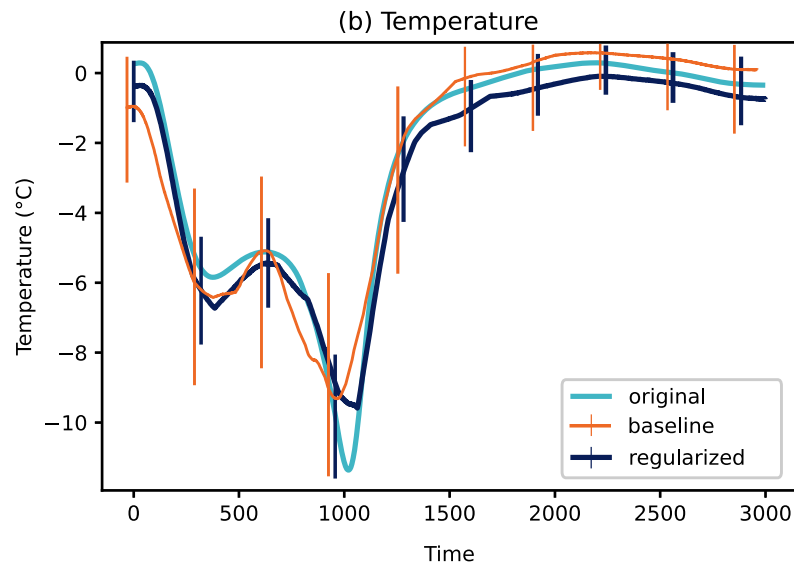
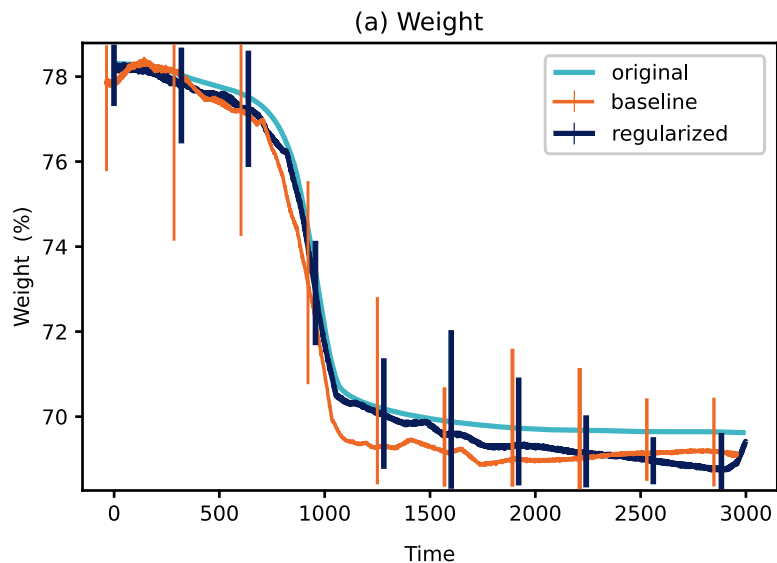
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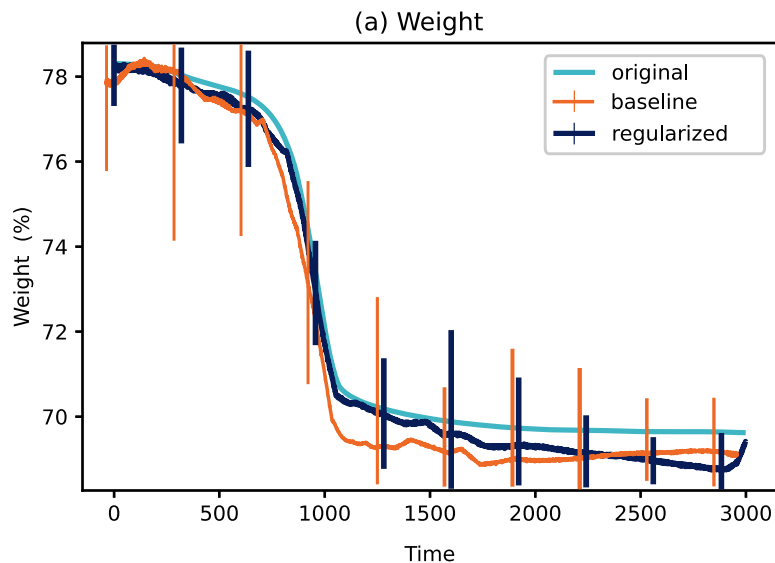
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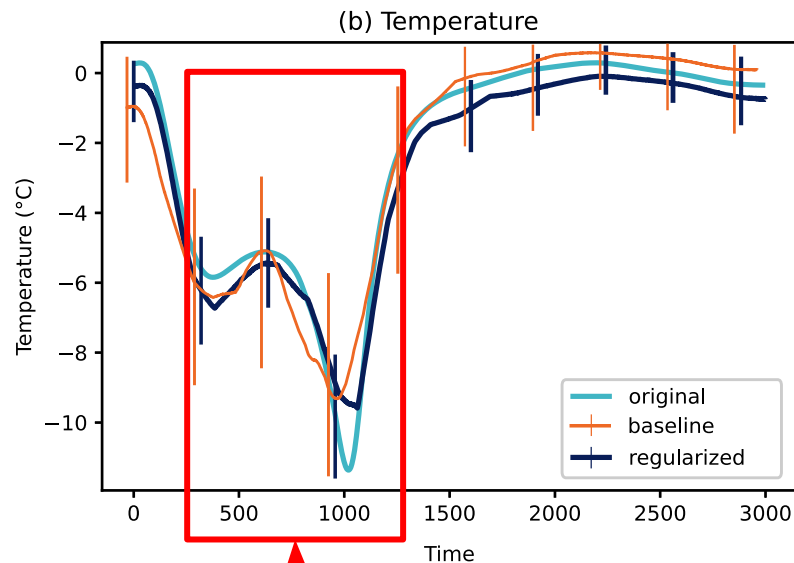
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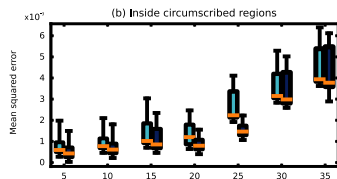
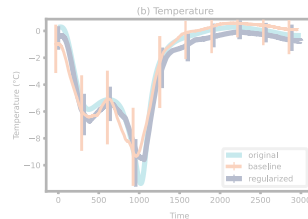
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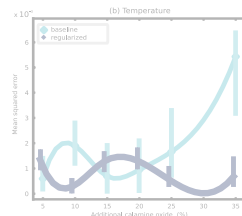
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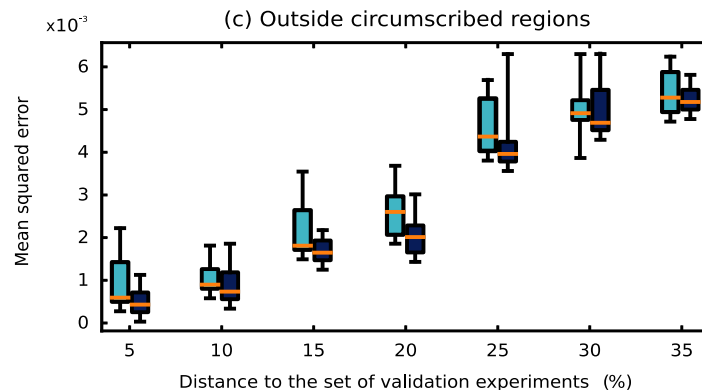
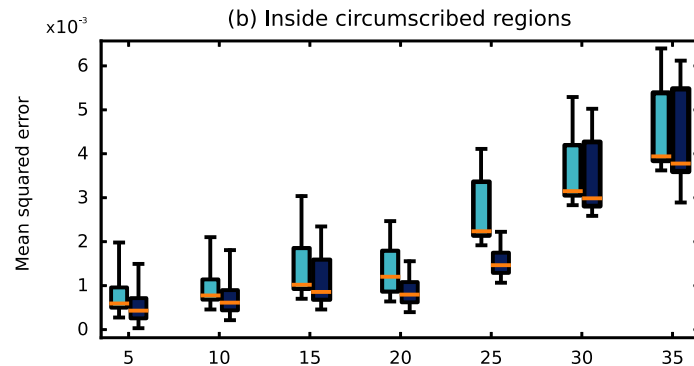
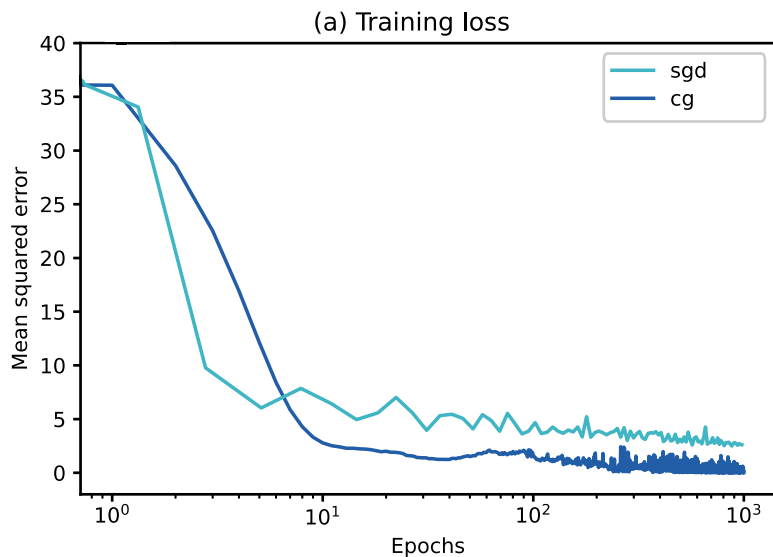
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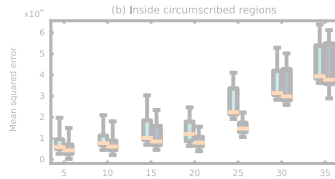
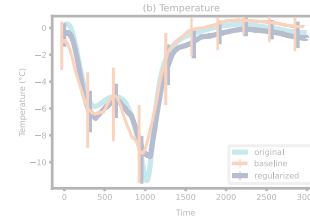
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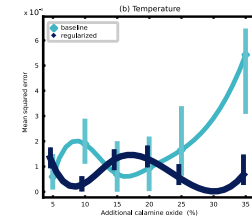
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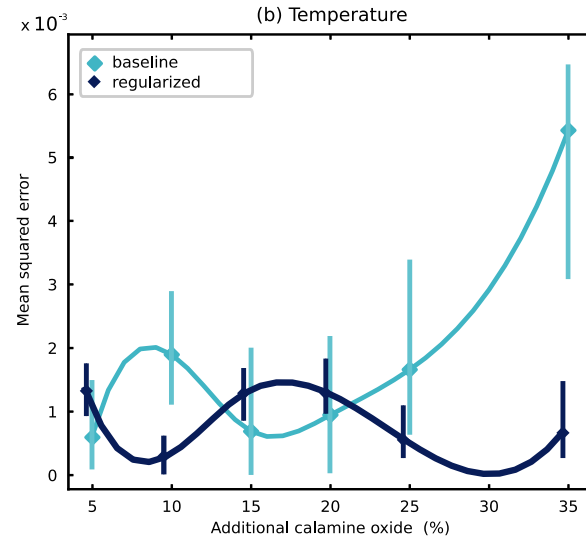
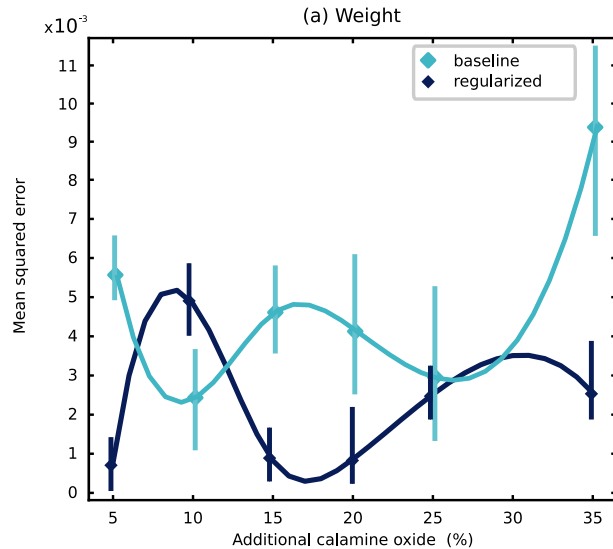
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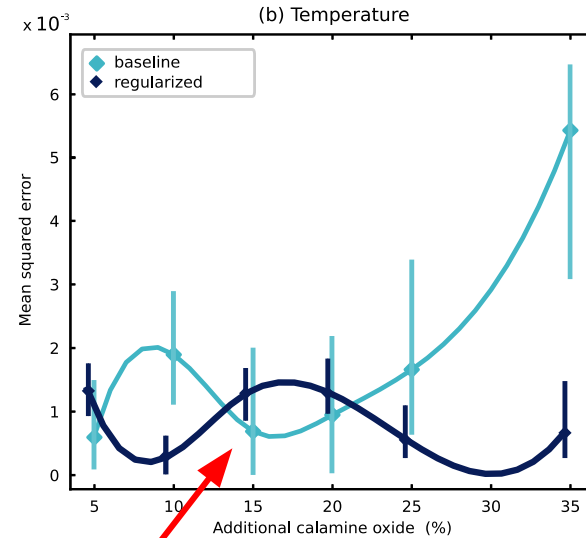
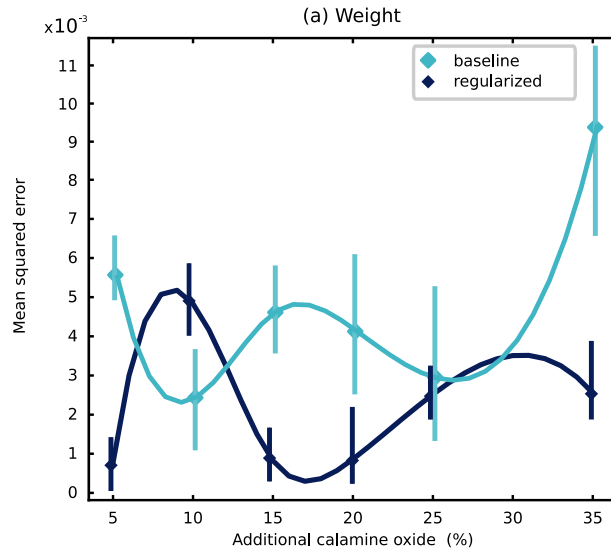
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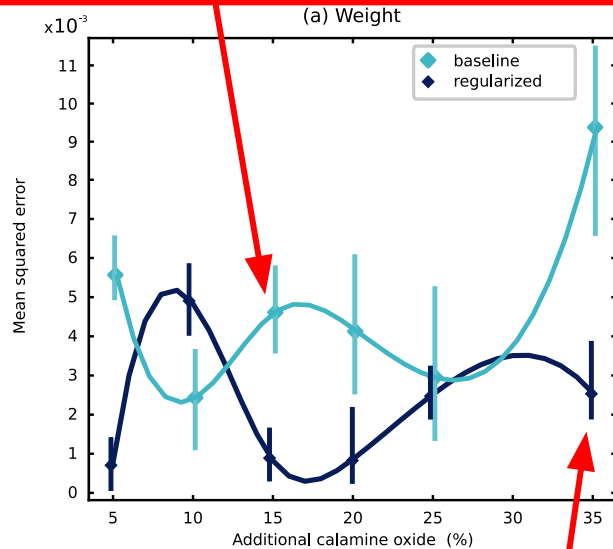
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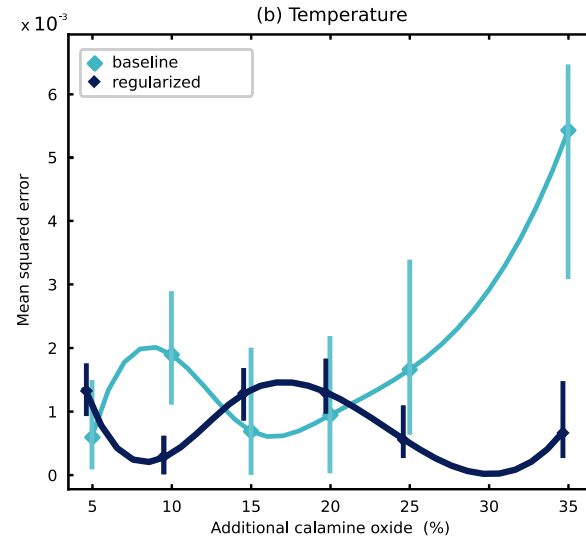
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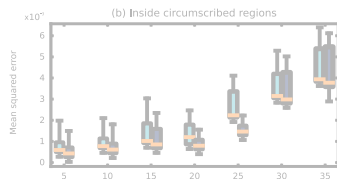
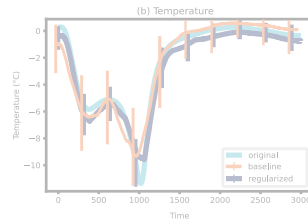


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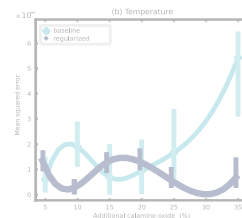
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Arrhenius (A)	$0.933 \pm .0073$ (5)	$0.988 \pm .0023$ (15)	<b><math>0.39 \pm .0157</math></b> (15)	$0.776 \pm .0027$ (5)
Eyring (E)	$0.57 \pm .0145$ (10)	$0.385 \pm .0031$ (5)	<b><math>0.228 \pm .0079</math></b> (10)	$0.587 \pm .0037$ (20)
<i>pig</i> (P)	$2.408 \pm .0034$ (10)	<b><math>0.408 \pm .015</math></b> (5)	$1.188 \pm .0061$ (5)	$2.408 \pm .0042$ (10)
<i>cala</i> (C)	$0.533 \pm .0112$ (15)	$0.512 \pm .0055$ (20)	$0.524 \pm .0047$ (5)	<b><math>0.504 \pm .0125</math></b> (10)
A+E	<b><math>0.188 \pm .0058</math></b> (5)	$0.197 \pm .0079$ (20)	$0.214 \pm .0051$ (10)	$0.204 \pm .0147$ (15)
P+C	$0.318 \pm .0012$ (5)	<b><math>0.289 \pm .0044</math></b> (10)	$0.309 \pm .0108$ (10)	$0.320 \pm .0086$ (10)
A+E+P+C	<b><math>0.192 \pm .0056</math></b> (15)	$0.201 \pm .0122$ (5)	$0.247 \pm .0032$ (10)	$0.231 \pm .0143$ (15)

## (iv) Real Experiments & Richness of Domain Models

Analytical model(s)	Reconstruction error avg. $\pm$ std. $\times 10^{-2}$ (best extent %)			
	$\lambda = 0.001$	$\lambda = 0.01$	$\lambda = 0.1$	$\lambda = 1$
Arrhenius (A)	$0.933 \pm .0073$ (5)	$0.988 \pm .0023$ (15)	<b><math>0.39 \pm .0157</math></b> (15)	$0.776 \pm .0027$ (5)
Eyring (E)	$0.57 \pm .0145$ (10)	$0.385 \pm .0031$ (5)	<b><math>0.228 \pm .0079</math></b> (10)	$0.587 \pm .0037$ ( <b>20</b> )
<i>pig</i> (P)	$2.408 \pm .0034$ (10)	<b><math>0.408 \pm .015</math></b> (5)	$1.188 \pm .0061$ (5)	$2.408 \pm .0042$ (10)
<i>cala</i> (C)	$0.533 \pm .0112$ (15)	$0.512 \pm .0055$ ( <b>20</b> )	$0.524 \pm .0047$ (5)	<b><math>0.504 \pm .0125</math></b> (10)
A+E	<b><math>0.188 \pm .0058</math></b> (5)	$0.197 \pm .0079$ ( <b>20</b> )	$0.214 \pm .0051$ (10)	$0.204 \pm .0147$ (15)
P+C	$0.318 \pm .0012$ (5)	<b><math>0.289 \pm .0044</math></b> (10)	$0.309 \pm .0108$ (10)	$0.320 \pm .0086$ (10)
A+E+P+C	<b><math>0.192 \pm .0056</math></b> (15)	$0.201 \pm .0122$ (5)	$0.247 \pm .0032$ (10)	$0.231 \pm .0143$ (15)

# Summary

- Evaluation of a real-world application of material engineering;
- Incorporation of domain analytical models via regularization-like terms;
- Converge to Pareto-optimal solutions using conditional gradient descent;
- Extensive experimental analysis reveal remarkable efficiency improvement;

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