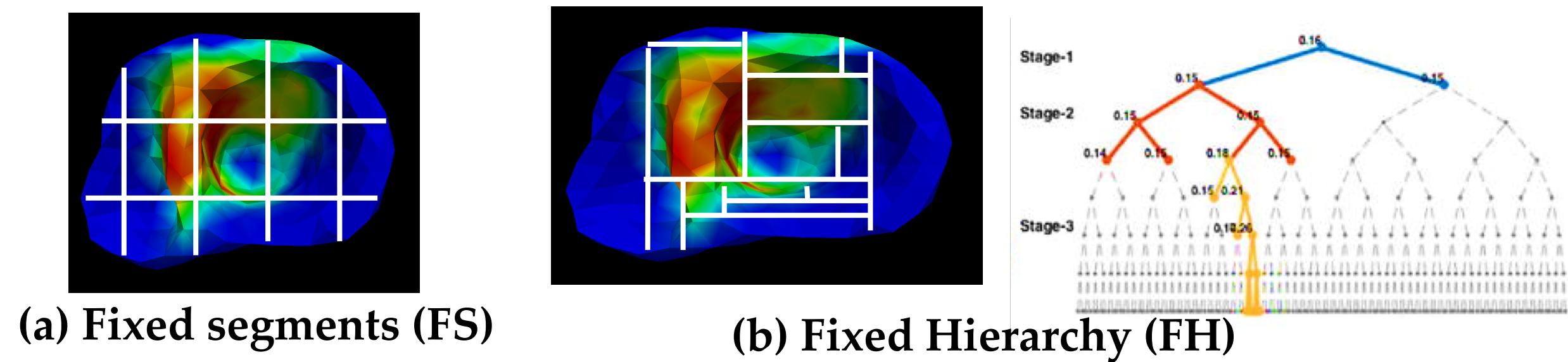


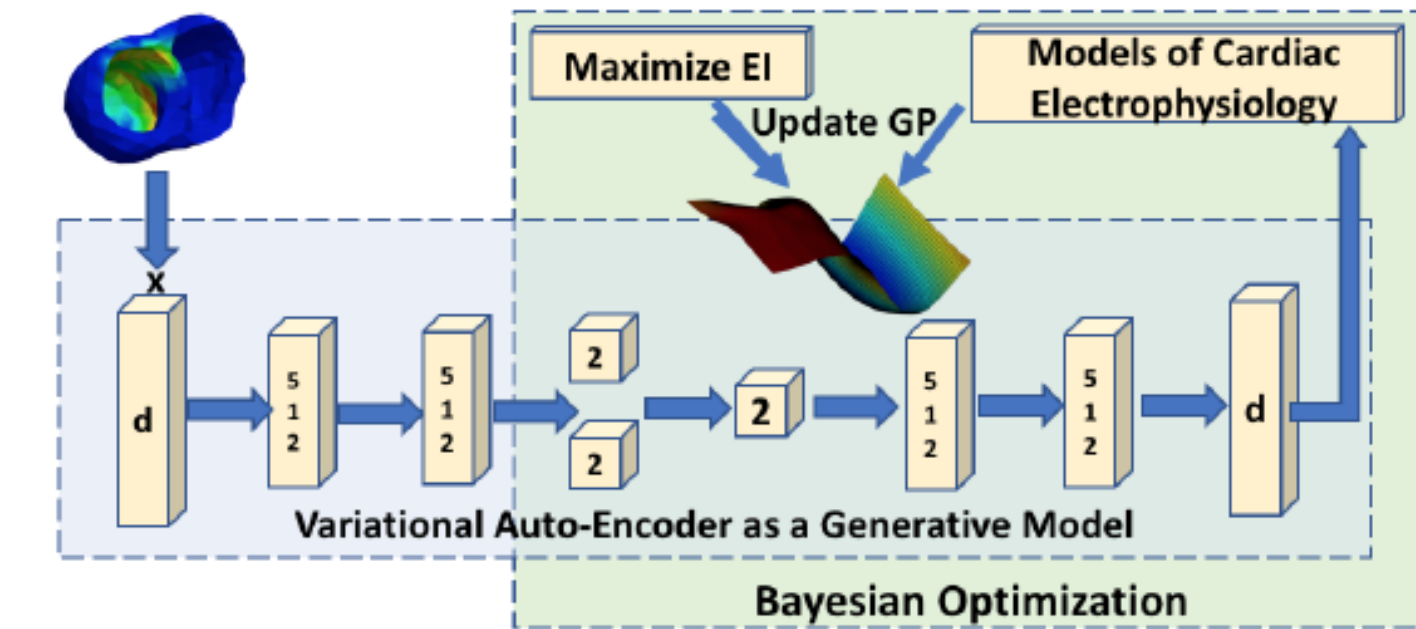
Overview

- Personalized virtual hearts are important for personalized medicine.
- Estimating **high dimensional (HD)** spatially distributed tissue properties from sparse, noisy, and indirect data is a challenge.
- Novel framework:**
 - A novel graph convolutional variational auto-encoder (VAE) to allow generative modeling of non-Euclidean data
 - Embed a VAE into the objective function of Bayesian Optimization, providing an implicit low-dimensional (LD) search space that represents the generative code of the HD tissue properties defined over a graph.

Related Works



- Anatomy-based grid



- Incorporate anatomical knowledge in VAE**
- Exploit spatial proximity and hierarchical composition information**

- Data-driven generative model of HD tissue properties

Personalization of Model Parameters

- HD parameter estimation as optimization problem:

$$\hat{\theta} = \arg \max_{\theta} -\|\mathbf{Y} - M(\theta)\|^2$$

Cardiac Electrophysiological Model

$$\partial u / \partial t = \nabla(\mathbf{D} \nabla u) - cu(u - \theta)(u - 1) - uv,$$

$$\partial v / \partial t = \varepsilon(u, v)(-v - cu(u - \theta - 1)).$$

Here, u is the transmembrane action potential and θ parameter being estimated is associated with ischemic severity.

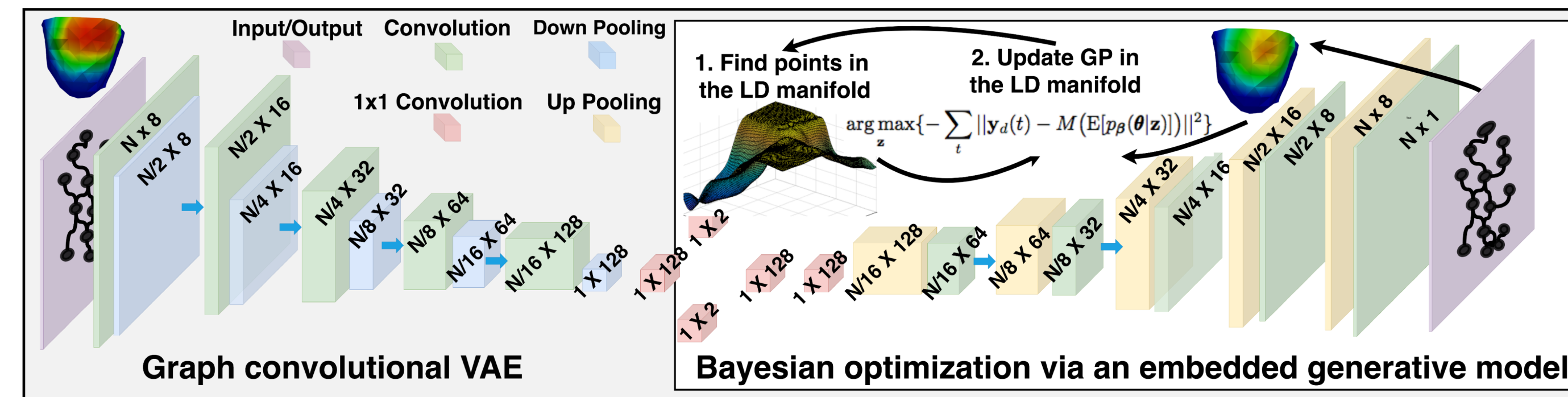
Forward Model

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{U}(\theta),$$

where \mathbf{H} is transfer matrix, \mathbf{U} is transmural action potential and \mathbf{Y} is ECG signals.

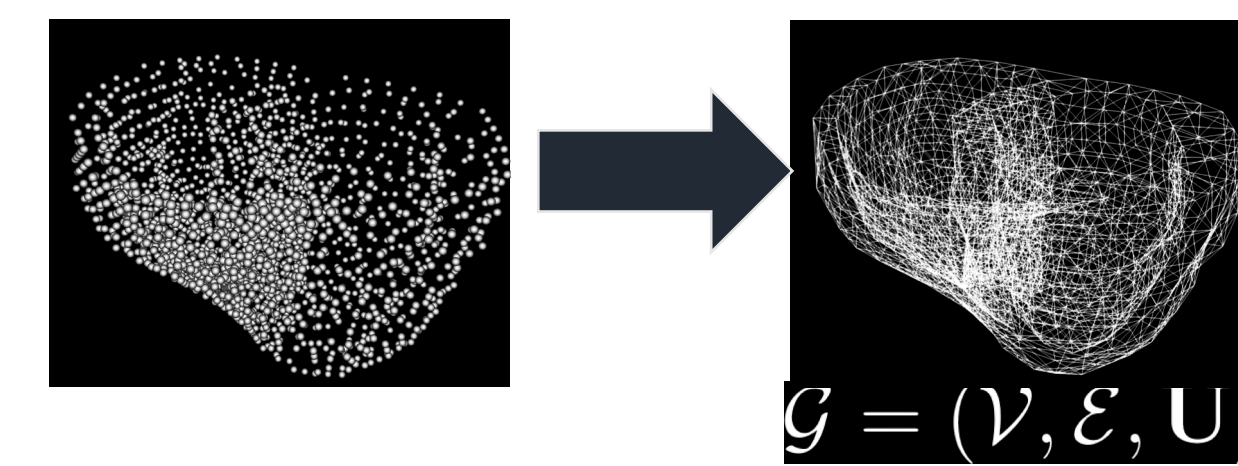
Complex objective function!

Graph Convolutional Variational Autoencoder



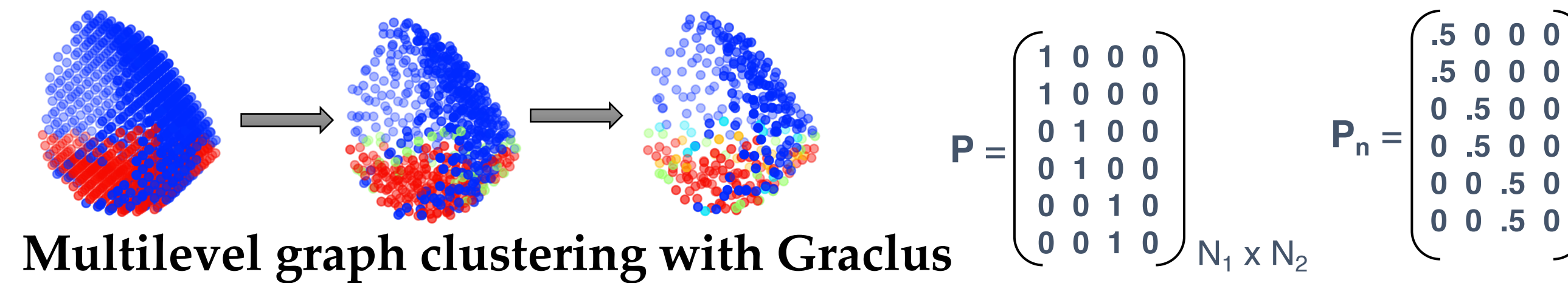
$$\mathcal{L}(\alpha; \beta; \theta^{(i)}) = -D_{\text{KL}}(q_{\alpha}(\mathbf{z}|\theta^{(i)})||p_{\beta}(\mathbf{z})) + E_{q_{\alpha}(\mathbf{z}|\theta^{(i)})}[\log p_{\beta}(\theta^{(i)}|\mathbf{z})]$$

Local Connectivity and Graph Convolution



Vertices : N nodes in the mesh
Edges : Using K nearest neighbors
Edge attribute: normalized $[x_i - x_j, y_i - y_j, z_i - z_j]$ or 0 if no edge

Hierarchical Compositionality and Pooling



Multilevel graph clustering with Graclus

Pooling: $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{F}_c$

Un-pooling: $\mathbf{F}_c = \mathbf{P}_n^T \mathbf{F}$

Bayesian Optimization with Embedded VAE

Represent θ with the expectation of probabilistic generator

:

$$\hat{\mathbf{z}} = \arg \max_{\mathbf{z}} -\|\mathbf{Y} - M(E[p_{\beta}(\theta|\mathbf{z})])\|^2$$

Embed HD search in LD latent space

$$\text{EI}(\mathbf{z}) = (\mu(\mathbf{z}) - f_m) \Phi\left(\frac{\mu(\mathbf{z}) - f_m}{\sigma(\mathbf{z})}\right) + \sigma(\mathbf{z}) \phi\left(\frac{\mu(\mathbf{z}) - f_m}{\sigma(\mathbf{z})}\right)$$

Summary

- Novel graph convolutional VAE for HD Bayesian optimization of model parameters
- Future works:** incorporate uncertainty from probabilistic generative model, training data from MRI and feature sharing across geometries.

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Synthetic Experiments

- Dataset synthetically generated by random region growing on patient-specific mesh
- Training data ~ 78, 208 & Testing/Validation data ~ 13,545
- B-spline basis of degree $m=1$ with kernel $k_1 = k_2 = k_3 = 5$
- Adam optimizer, initial learning rate = 0.001

gVAE as a Generative Model

Anatomy	SSE					DC					Trainable parameters
	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
PCA	12.73	14.18	12.35	23.85	23.26	39.80	39.87	41.31	49.17	54.42	NA
fVAE-3h [6]	8.03	8.45	8.44	13.07	13.70	61.77	66.20	60.45	70.30	70.72	2,087,822
fVAE-4h	7.97	8.29	8.33	12.47	13.99	61.76	64.60	61.58	71.51	69.84	2,613,134
fVAE-5h	7.42	8.01	8.19	13.96	12.41	64.59	65.72	62.21	68.04	74.50	3,138,446
gVAE	6.66	6.89	6.79	11.28	11.43	68.43	70.92	70.70	75.10	76.86	2,778,069

Table 1: Comparison of reconstruction accuracy

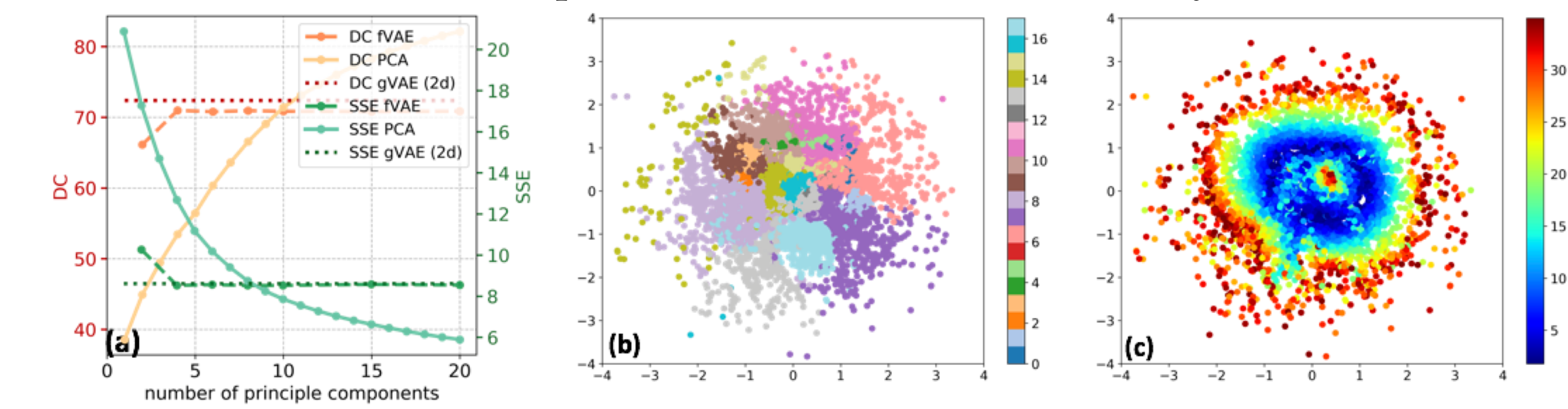
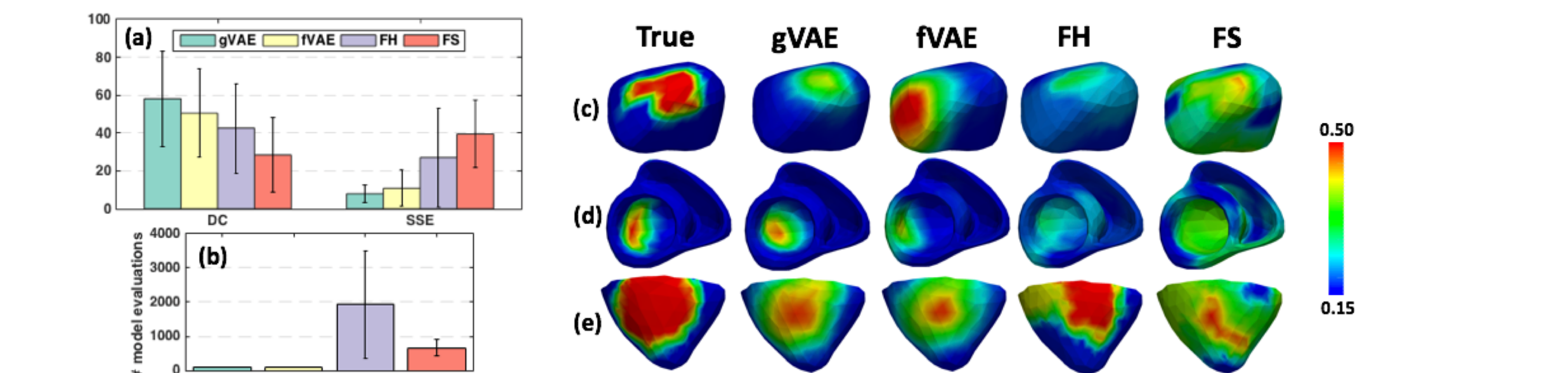
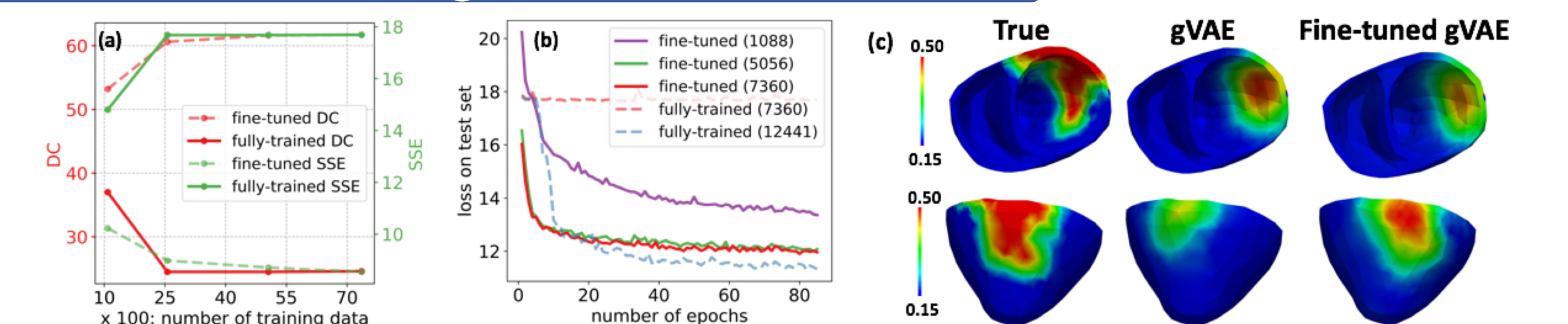


Fig. 2: (a) Comparison of reconstruction accuracy using gVAE with a 2d manifold vs. PCA and fVAE with various-dimensional manifolds. (b)-(c): Plots of 2d latent codes from gVAE colored by infarct location (b) and infarct size (c).

gVAE-based Parameter Optimization



Feature Sharing across Geometries



Real-data Experiments

- Two patients with previous myocardial infarction
- Data: 120-lead ECG data.

#	Catheter Map	Registered Catheter Map	gVAE	fVAE	FH	FS	
(a) Case 1							
			number of model evaluations: 100	100	4056	1058	
(b) Case 2							
			number of model evaluations: 100	100	5798	1501	
			# of model evaluations	gVAE	fVAE	FH	FS
			Case 1	100	100	5798	1501
			Case 2	100	100	4056	1058