

SEACS: Stochastic modEl-dAta-Coupled representationS
for the analysis, simulation and reconstruction of upper
ocean dynamics

A Joint CominLabs-Lebesgue-LabexMer Research Initiative

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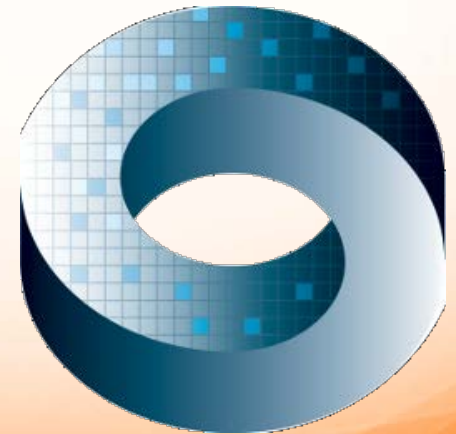
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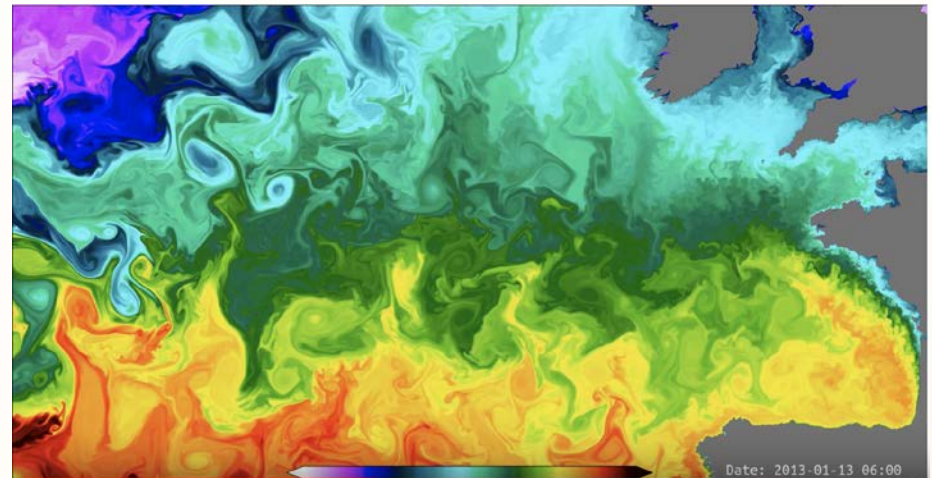


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Context

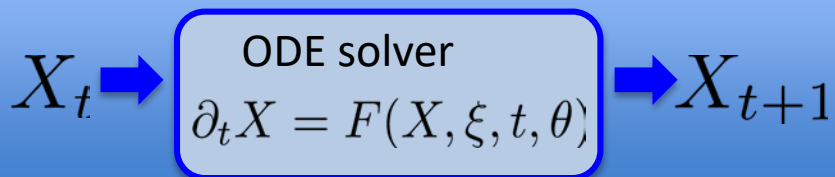


NO observation/simulation system to resolve all scales and processes simultaneously
Requirement for stochastic representations to account for imperfectly resolved processes

Scientific background: model-driven vs. data-driven frameworks

Model-driven paradigm

Dynamical model



Observation model

$$Y_t = H(X, \zeta, t, \phi)$$

Data-driven paradigm

Dynamical model



Observation model

$$Y_t = H(X, \zeta, t, \phi)$$

Scientific workplan

Methodological challenges

Stochastic representations of geophysical flows

Model-driven
framework (Ch. I)

Data-driven
framework (Ch. II)



Application challenge

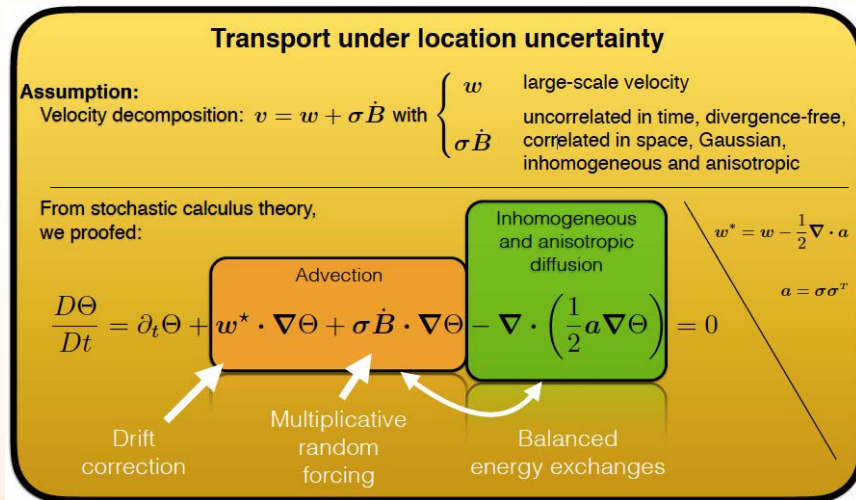
Simulation and reconstruction of upper ocean dynamics

SEACS workplan & outreach

- **Non-permanent resources:** 7 PhD, 4 Eng. & postdocs
- **Animation & visiting scientists:**
 - 4 summer schools, 3 workshops, 1 national conference, 2 doctoral courses
 - More than 40 short incoming visits: eg, Prof. D. Giannakis (NYU), Prof. S. Gotwald (Univ. Sydney), Prof. S. Brunton (Univ. Washington)
- **Publications & awards:**
 - > 20 journal papers
 - > 40 communications in int. conferences
 - Best PhD SMAI/GAMNI 2018 (V. Resseguier)

Key scientific results

Advances on model-driven approaches



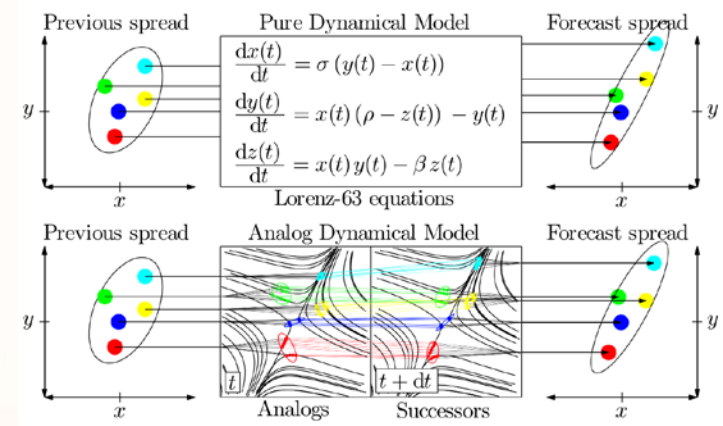
Improved LES (wake flows, Green-Taylor, TBL, ...)

Derivation of stochastic geophysical flows dynamics (eg, QG)

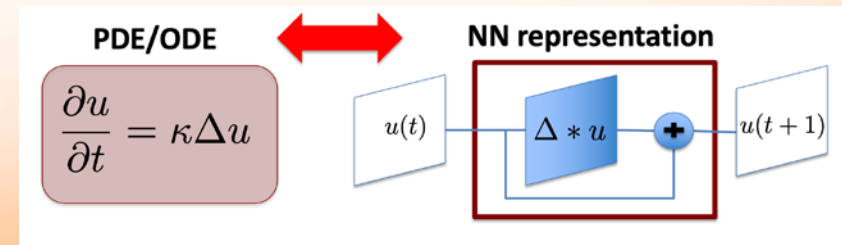
Accurate representation of errors

New analysis tool of the small-scales

Advances on data-driven approaches



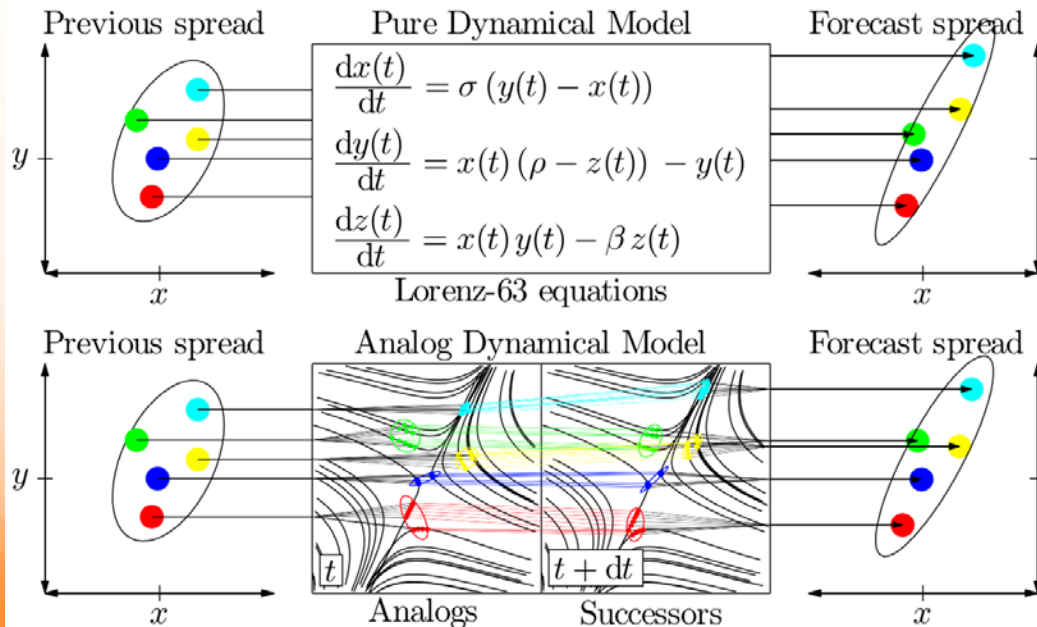
Stochastic analog forecasting strategies



NN representation for (S)ODE/PDE

Data-driven schemes for geophysical flows

Empirical Orthogonal Functions and Statistical Weather Prediction



Deterministic Nonperiodic Flow¹

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ABSTRACT

Finite systems of deterministic ordinary nonlinear differential equations may be designed to represent forced dissipative hydrodynamic flow. Solutions of these equations can be identified with trajectories in phase space. For those systems with bounded solutions, it is found that nonperiodic solutions are ordinarily unstable with respect to small modifications, so that slightly differing initial states can evolve into considerably different states. Systems with bounded solutions are shown to possess bounded numerical solutions.

A simple system representing cellular convection is solved numerically. All of the solutions are found to be unstable, and almost all of them are nonperiodic.

The feasibility of very-long-range weather prediction is examined in the light of these results.

Introduction

In hydrodynamical systems exhibit steady-state patterns, while others oscillate in a regular periodic manner. Still others vary in an irregular, seemingly random manner, and, even when observed for long periods of time, do not appear to repeat their previous

modes of behavior may all be observed in the rotating-basin experiments, described by Fultz, 1959) and Hide (1958). In these experiments, a shallow vessel containing water is rotated about its vertical axis in a regular manner. Under certain conditions, the resulting flow is as symmetric and steady as the flow in a regular manner. Under different conditions, the flow develops into a pattern of irregular flow, and at a uniform speed without changing its shape. Under still different conditions an irregular flow pattern develops and changes its shape in an irregular manner.

Periodicity is very common in natural systems. One of the distinguishing features of turbulent flow is its irregularity. Turbulent flow patterns are often confined to the steady state, but they are irregular. The irregularity of turbulent flow is often confined to the steady state, but they are irregular. The irregularity of turbulent flow is often confined to the steady state, but they are irregular.

Thus there are occasions when more than the statistics of irregular flow are of very real concern.

In this study we shall work with systems of deterministic equations which are idealizations of hydrodynamical systems. We shall be interested principally in nonperiodic solutions, i.e., solutions which never repeat their past history exactly, and where all approximate repetitions are of finite duration. Thus we shall be involved with the ultimate behavior of the solutions, as opposed to the transient behavior associated with arbitrary initial conditions.

A closed hydrodynamical system of finite mass may be treated mathematically as a finite collection of molecules—usually a very large finite collection—in which case the governing laws are expressible as a finite set of ordinary differential equations. These equations are generally highly intractable, and the set of solutions is usually approximated by a continuous distribution of mass. The governing laws are then expressed as a set of partial differential equations, containing such quantities as velocity, density, and pressure as dependent variables.

It is sometimes possible to obtain particular solutions of these equations analytically, especially when the solutions are periodic. In such cases, obtaining such solutions by numerical means is usually not desirable, however, and the solutions are usually determined by numerical means. Such procedures involve replacing the continuous variables by a new finite set of variables, which may perhaps be the values of the continuous variables at a chosen grid of points, or the coefficients in the expansions of these variables in series of orthogonal functions. The governing laws then become a finite set of ordinary differential

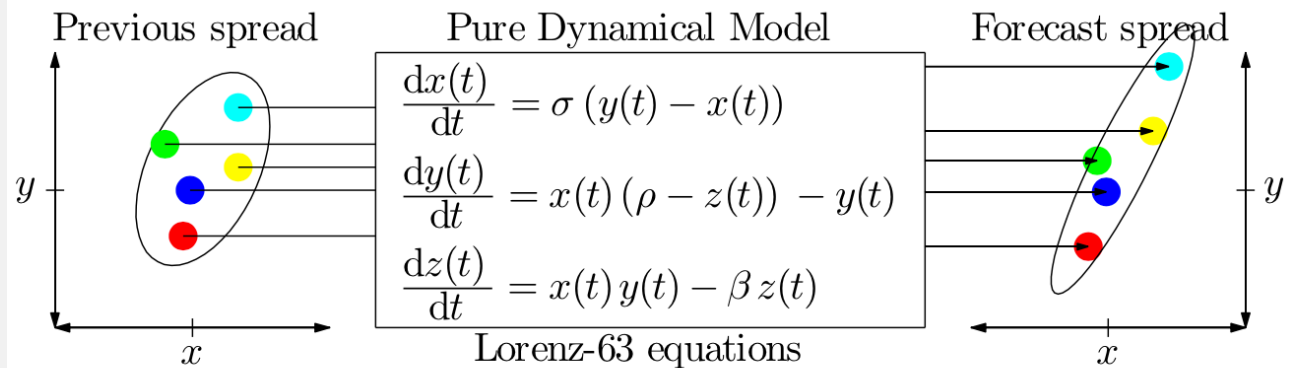
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Analog forecasting operator & Data Assimilation

Key idea

Replacing the explicit dynamic model by an analog forecasting operator

Plug-and-play application to stochastic filters (e.g., EnKF, PF)

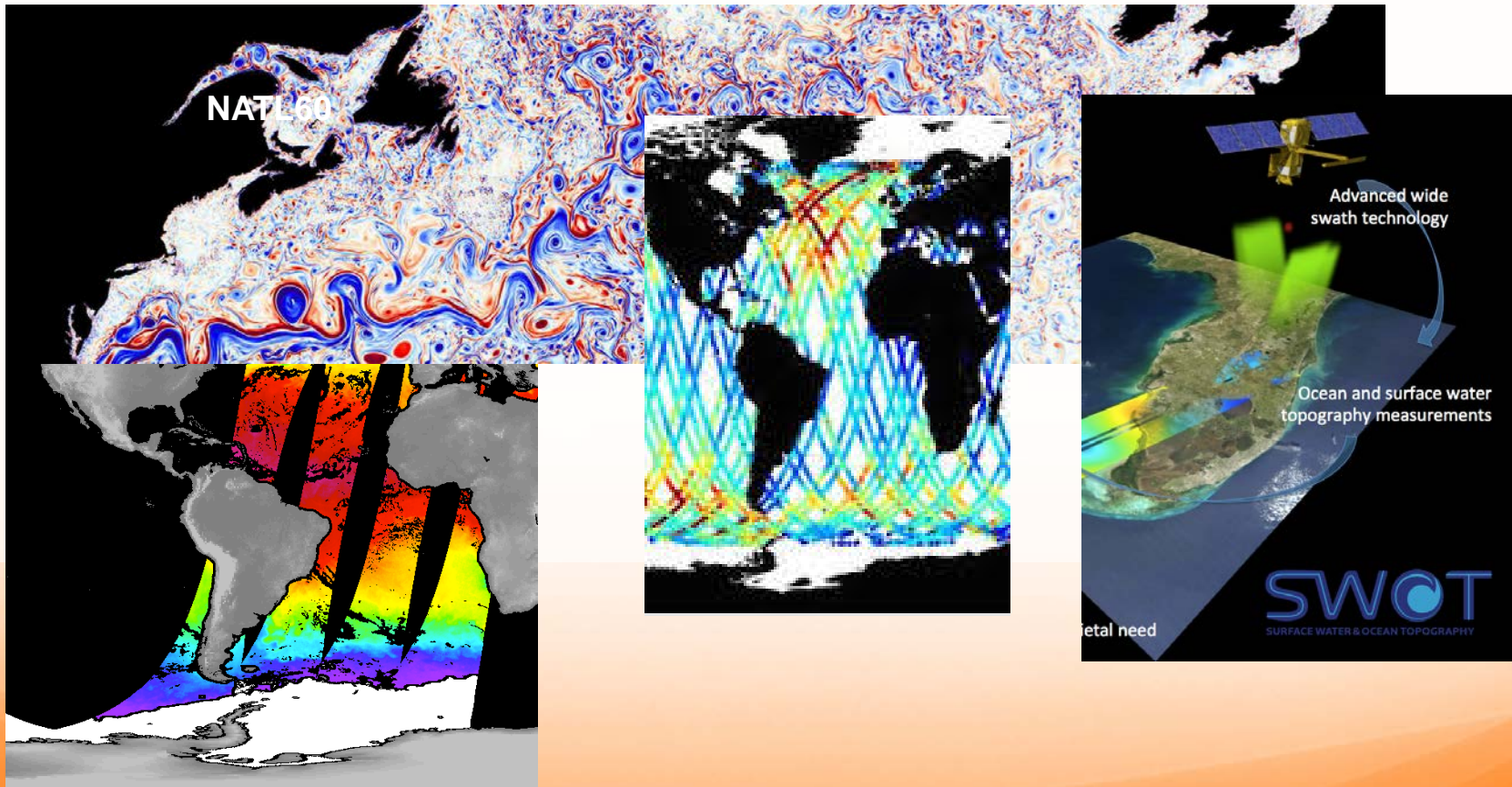


$$X_{t+1} | X_t = \mathcal{M}_{X_t} X_t + \epsilon(X_t)$$

« Local » Gaussian/Linear state-dependent model fitted using analogs

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Extension to 2D+t geophysical fields:



*e.g., (Fablet et al., 2017,
Lopez Radcenco et al., 2019)*

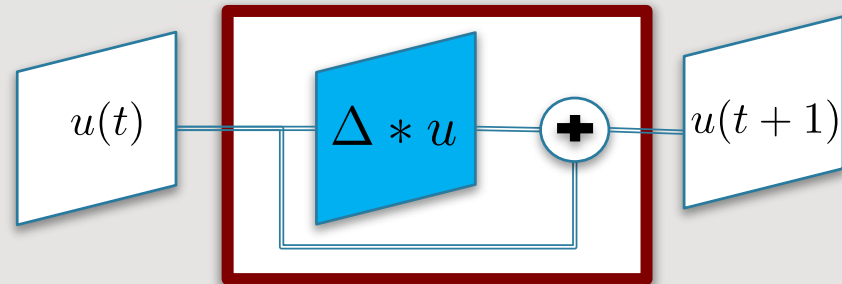
Towards learning white-boxes

PDE/ODE

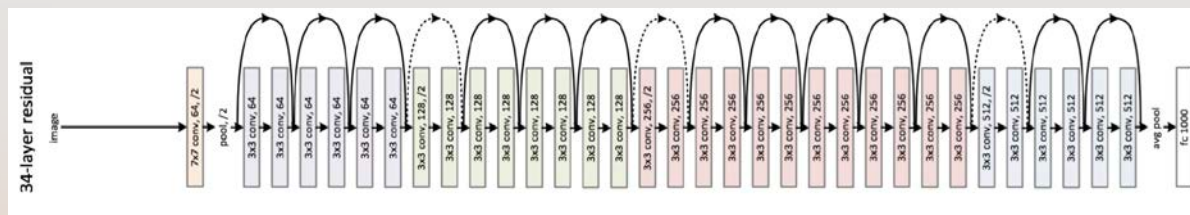
$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \kappa \Delta u$$



NN representation



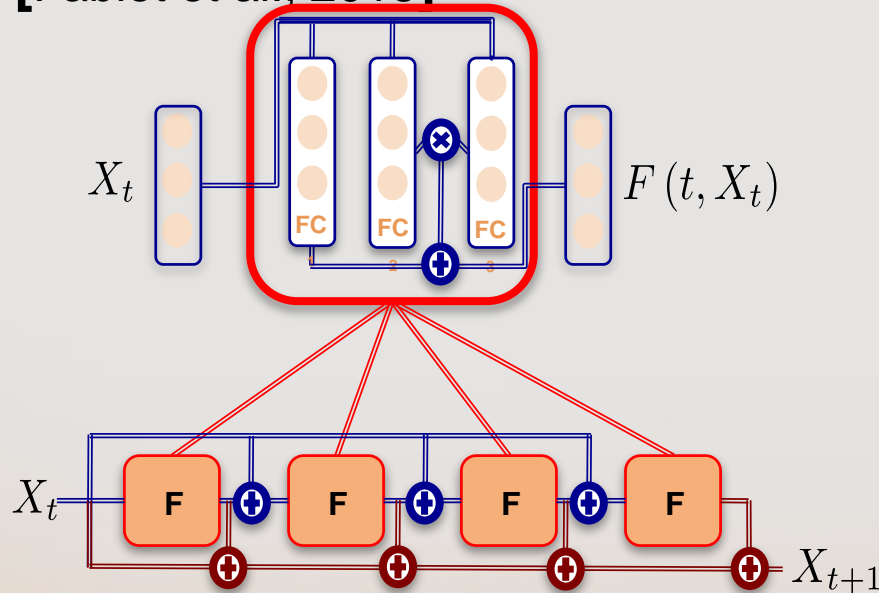
Numerical integration schemes as ResNets [He et al. 2015]



NN representations for ODEs/PDEs

An example: Residual RK4 Bilinear Network

[Fablet et al., 2018]



$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx(t)}{dt} &= \sigma(y(t) - x(t)) \\ \frac{dy(t)}{dt} &= x(t)(\rho - z(t)) - y(t) \\ \frac{dz(t)}{dt} &= x(t)y(t) - \beta z(t)\end{aligned}$$

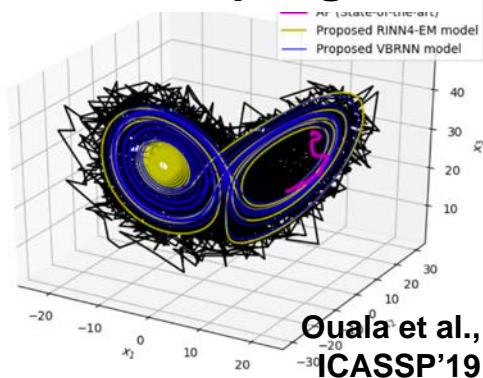
Lorenz-63 equations

Noise-free training data

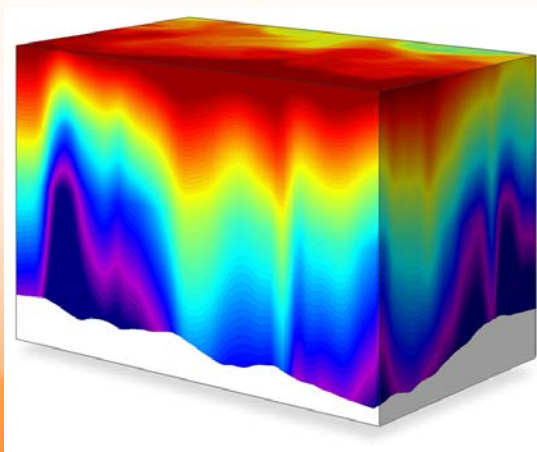
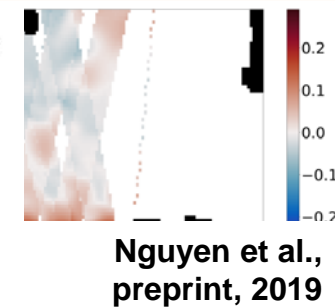
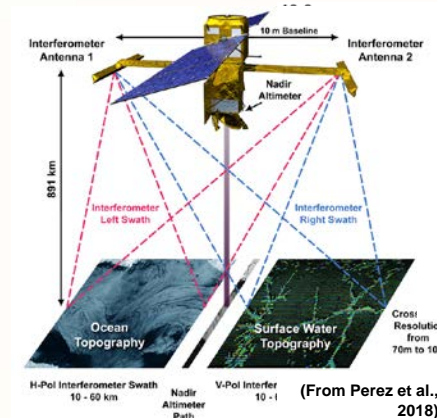
Forecasting time step	t_0+h	t_0+4h	t_0+8h
Analog forecasting	$<10^{-6}$	0.002	0.005
Sparse regression	$<10^{-6}$	0.002	0.006
MLP	$<10^{-6}$	0.018	0.044
Bi-NN(4)	$<10^{-6}$	$<10^{-6}$	$<10^{-6}$

Learning from real observation data ?

Scarce time sampling



Noisy and irregular sampling



Partially-observed system

Ouala et al., preprint 2019

Leveraging effects

- **Supporting grants and fellowships:**
 - ESA postdoc fellowship (C. Gonzalez, 2016-2017)
 - SAD Region SeaStorm (W. Bauer)
 - Teralab grant (2016-2018)
 - Microsoft AI4Ocean grant (2018, GPU resources)
 - OSTST MANATEE (co-PI, R. Fablet, CNES, 2017-2020)
- **New initiatives and partnerships:**
 - Industrial partnerships: eg, ITGA, CSTB, OceanNext, e-odyn,...
 - Isblue theme « Observing Systems » (co-PIs B. Chapron, R. Fablet)
 - H2020 Eurosea (2020-) (PI: A. Franke, 2019-2023)
 - LEFE/MANU IA-OAC (PI. R. Fablet, 2019-2021)
 - ANR Melody (PI: R. Fablet, 2019-2023)
 - ERC Synergy STUOD (co-Pis: B. Chapron, E. Mémin, 2020-2025)
 - Joint INRIA team between INRIA Rennes, IMT Atlantique and Ifremer under discussion