

# Prototype of a statistical / dynamical hybrid model for high-resolution hydrodynamic simulations

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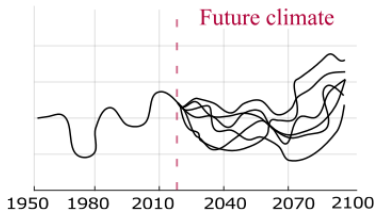
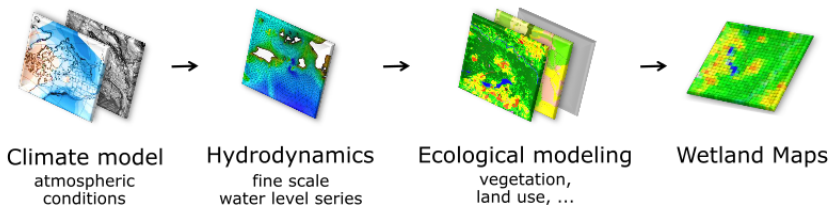
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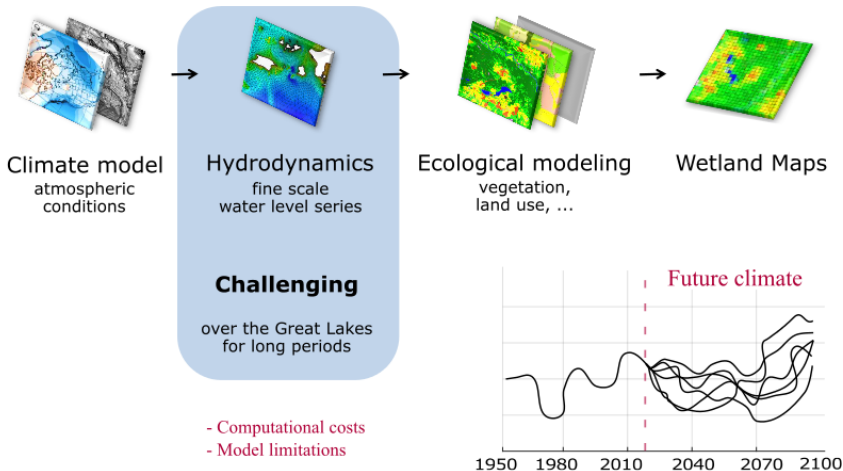
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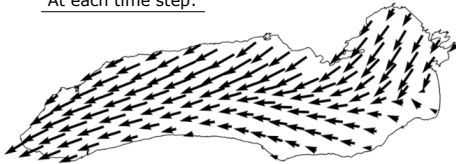
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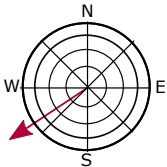


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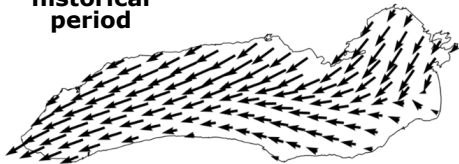
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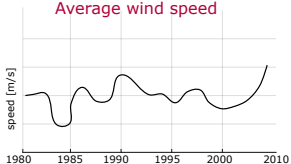


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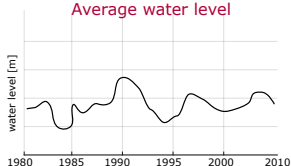
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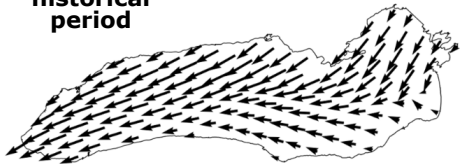
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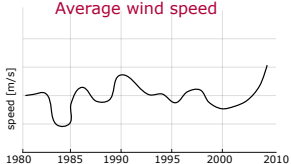


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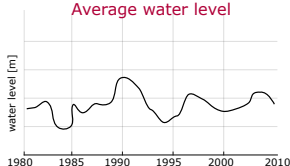
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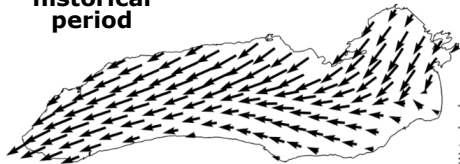


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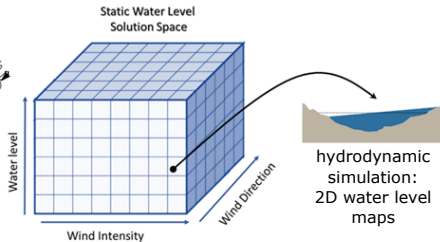


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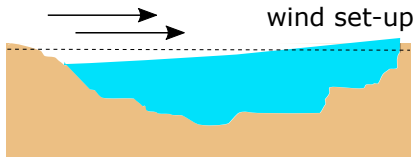
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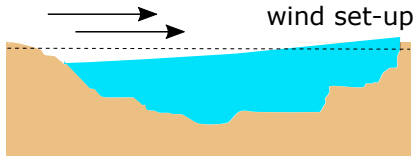


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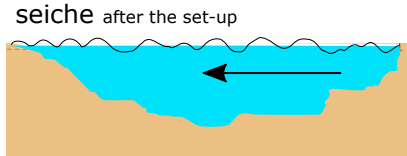
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**Still depends on continuous simulations:**

Computational burden of the hydrodynamical model to produce continuous simulations

## proposed solutions

**1.** Analog method  
on PCA projections  
of wind fields

**Information on wind  
patterns in scenarios**

**2.** Variational mode  
decomposition to construct  
seiche scenarios

**Information about seiches  
in reconstructions**

**3.** Reduce the computational cost of simulations by  
simplifying the dynamical model equations - **avoid scenarios**

# Spatial scenarios

**Training set:** pairs of wind field  $(\mathbf{u}_t, \mathbf{v}_t)$  and water level field  $\mathbf{h}_t$

**Test set:** only wind fields  $(\mathbf{u}_{t'}, \mathbf{v}_{t'})$  are available

- 1 Each wind field  $(\mathbf{u}_t, \mathbf{v}_t)$  from the training set is summarized by low dimensional features  $\mathbf{z}_t \in \mathbb{R}^d$
- 2 Project the wind fields  $(\mathbf{u}_{t'}, \mathbf{v}_{t'})$  from the test set onto the same low dimensional space  $\mathbf{z}_{t'} \in \mathbb{R}^d$
- 3 For each time step  $t'$  of the test set, identify the nearest neighbor  $t^*$  in the train set:

$$t^* = \arg \min_t \|\mathbf{z}_t - \mathbf{z}_{t'}\|^2$$

- 4 Estimate  $\mathbf{h}_{t'}$  with  $\hat{\mathbf{h}}_{t'} = \mathbf{h}_{t^*}$

Training set:  $\{(\mathbf{u}_t, \mathbf{v}_t), \mathbf{h}_t\}_t$   
over the period 01/03/1991 - 30/04/1991 (hourly)

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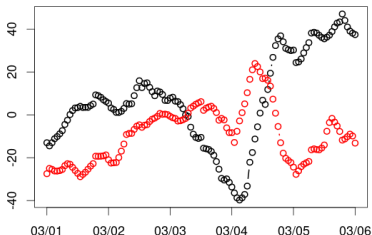
→  $\mathbf{h}_{t'}$  is used for evaluation purposes only

Performance criterion:

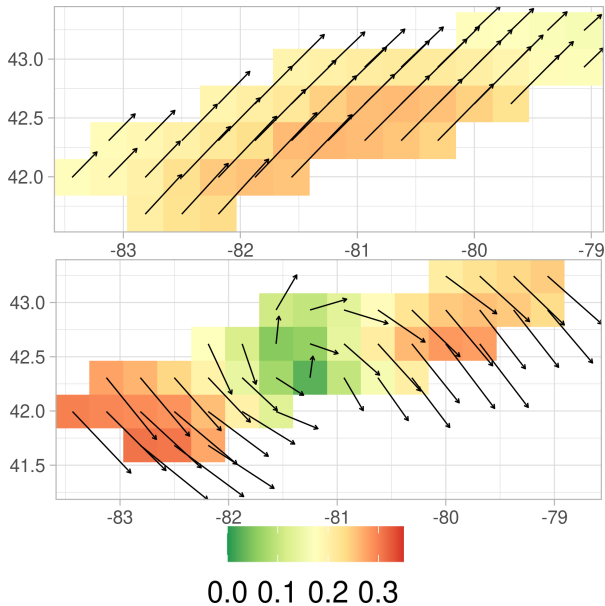
$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{T'} \sum_{t'=1}^{T'} (\mathbf{h}_{t'} - \hat{\mathbf{h}}_{t'})^2}$$

# Wind patterns with PCA

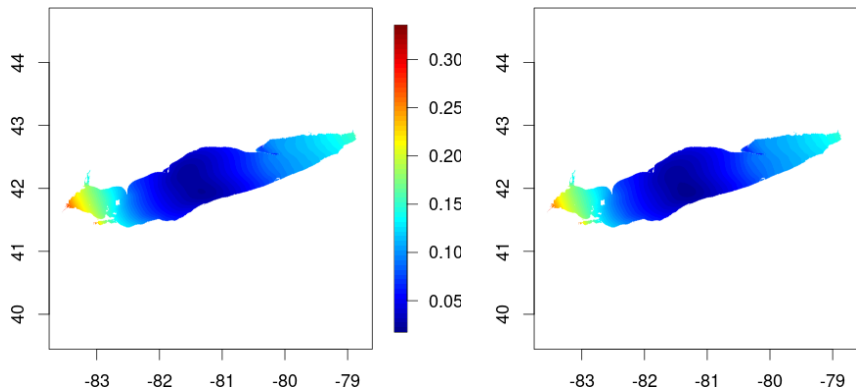
- Summarize **spatial information** with Principal Component analysis (PCA)
- Main wind patterns = principal eigenvectors  
carry the **spatial information**
- Time varying features: projections onto first principal eigenvectors  
each wind field is a **linear combination of the principal eigenvectors**
- Use temporal features of the wind to identify similar water level fields  
**nearest neighbor approach**



# First two principal eivenvectors: intensity and direction

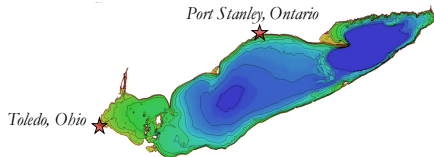
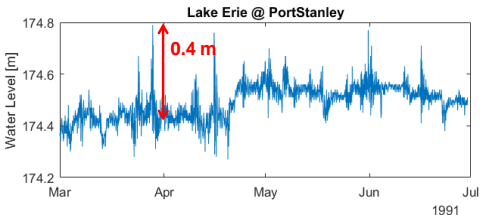
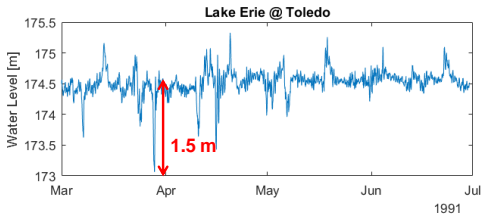


# RMSE





## Analyzed water level signals in Lake Erie



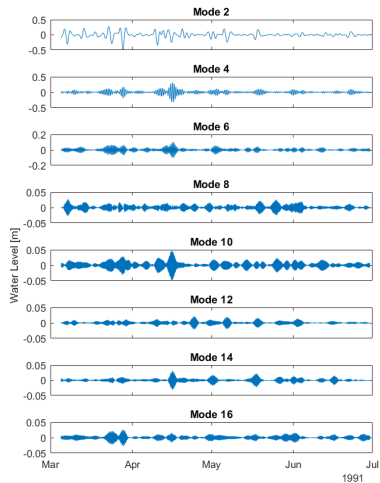
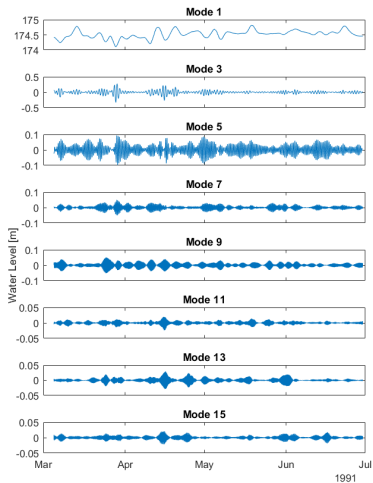
### Variational Mode Decomposition (VMD)

(Dragomiretskiy & Zosso, 2014) was applied to separate the water level signals into different “modes of variability”.

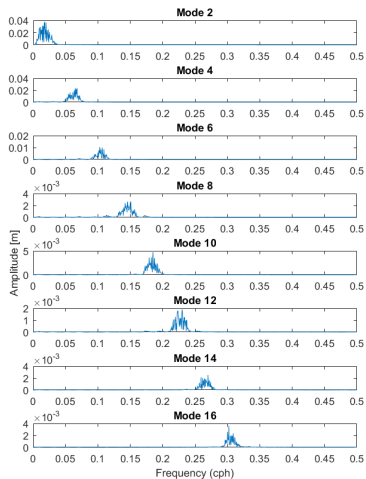
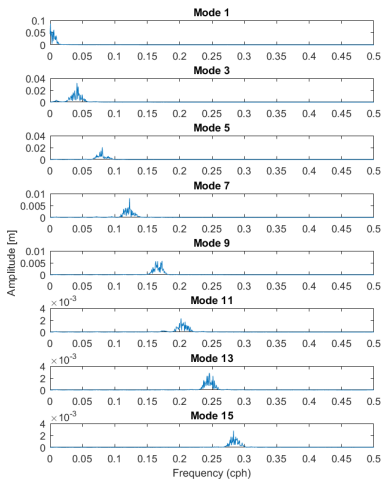
$$\min_{\{u_k\}, \{\omega_k\}} \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^K \left\| \partial_t \left[ \left( \delta(t) + \frac{j}{\pi t} \right) * u_k(t) \right] e^{-j\omega_k t} \right\|_2^2 \right\}$$

s.t.  $\sum_{k=1}^K u_k(t) = H(t)$

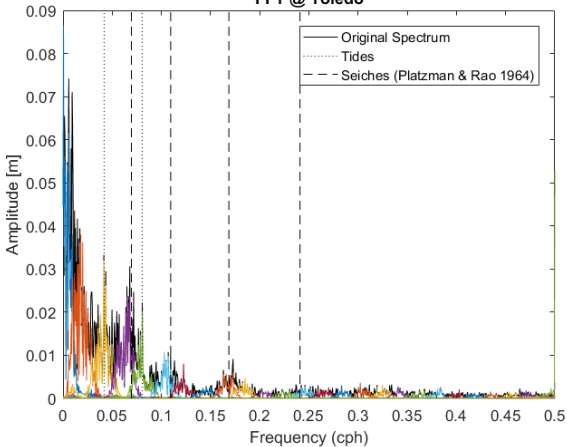
## VMD modes @ Toledo



## FFT of VMD modes @ Toledo

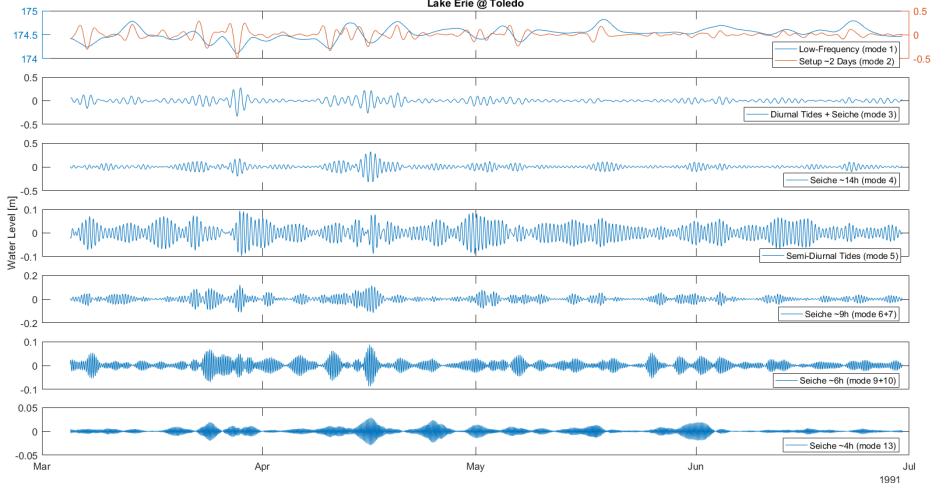


### FFT @ Toledo



**FFT amplitude spectrum** for each mode (colors) compared to the original spectrum (black). Vertical lines denote major diurnal and semi-diurnal tidal frequencies (dotted) and documented seiche frequencies (dashed).

### Lake Erie @ Toledo

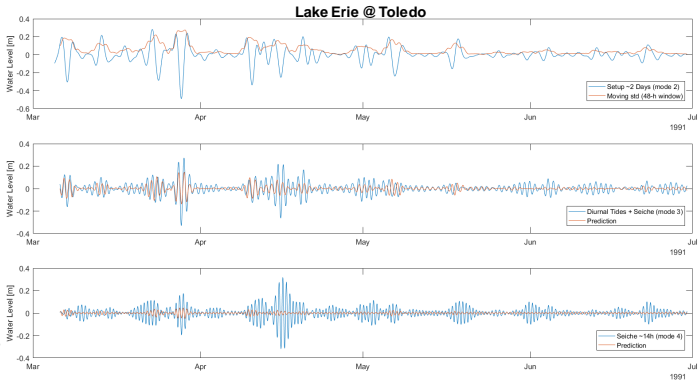


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## Predicting seiches (high frequencies) from water level setups (low frequencies)?

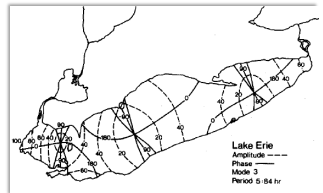
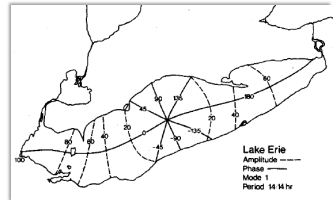
A simple (linear) regression model was constructed as a preliminary step to building a more complex (non-linear) model, e.g. using machine learning.

$$h_{HF}(t) = \beta_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{N_{modes}} (\beta_{1,j}(t) \cos \omega_j t + \beta_{2,j}(t) \sin \omega_j t) + \varepsilon$$
$$\beta_{i,j}(t) = a_{0,i,j} + h_{LF}(t) \times a_{1,i,j}$$
$$A_j(t) = \sqrt{\beta_{1,j}^2 + \beta_{2,j}^2}, \quad \Phi_j(t) = \tan^{-1}(\beta_{2,j}/\beta_{1,j})$$



## Next steps

- Build a non-linear relationship between setup and seiches, e.g. using machine learning
- Add other variables such as winds or their principal components (from PCA)
- Extend the analysis in 2D using simulated fields
- Represent the seiche phenomenon in a synthesized fashion (e.g. by their amplitudes and phases)
- Preserve the temporal variability in seiche features as opposed to producing static maps



ref. Hamblin (1987)

# Reduced System Approach

- Full system being simulated:

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{q} = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{q}}{\partial t} + \underbrace{\nabla \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{q}\mathbf{q}^T}{H} \right)}_{\text{advection}} + \underbrace{c^2 \nabla h}_{\text{gravity}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla \cdot (H\boldsymbol{\tau})}_{\text{turbulent viscosity}} + \frac{\boldsymbol{\tau}^b}{\rho} - \underbrace{f_c (\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{e}_z)}_{\text{Coriolis force}} = \frac{\boldsymbol{\tau}^s}{\rho}$$

- Do we need all these effects to understand Seiche dynamics?
  - Maybe some of the terms are small?



# Reduced System Approach: Nondimensionalization

- Factor out the typical sizes by writing

$$\text{dimensional variable}' = \underset{\text{(known)}}{\text{typical size}^*} \times \underset{\mathcal{O}(1)}{\text{dimensionless variable}}$$

- for example

$$\text{distance } x'[\textit{km}] = (\text{length of the lake})^*[\textit{km}] \times x$$

$$\text{velocity } u'[\textit{m/s}] = (1\textit{m/s}) \times u$$

## Reduced System Approach: Nondimensionalization

- Using typical magnitudes for Lake Erie, we get

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \{10\} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{q} = 0,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathbf{q}}{\partial t} + \{1\} \nabla \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{q} \mathbf{q}^T}{H} \right) + \{10\} H \nabla h - \{10^{-8}\} \nabla \cdot (H \boldsymbol{\tau}) \\ + \{74\} \boldsymbol{\tau}^b - \{2.3\} (\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{e}_z) = \{1.2 \times 10^{-2} w^*\} \boldsymbol{\tau}^s \end{aligned}$$

- We can also linearize the remaining system (small waves case):

$$\frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial t^2} + \eta_1 \nabla \cdot (z \nabla h) = 0.$$

## Reduced System Approach: Eigenvalue Problem

- The Seiche states are the resonant modes of the system, i.e. solutions to the eigenvalue problem:

$$\eta_1 \nabla \cdot (z \nabla h) = \lambda h$$

- From the eigenvalues, the Seiche oscillation period is recovered:

$$T = \frac{2L^*}{\underbrace{\sqrt{gz^*}}_{\text{Merian's formula}}} \sqrt{\frac{\pi^2}{\lambda}}$$

- The eigenvalue problem can be solved numerically (in a few seconds of computing time). A very preliminary calculation for Lake Erie gives

$$T_1 = 3h 7m$$

## Conclusions