

A Multi Fidelity Ensemble Kalman Filter with a machine learned surrogate model

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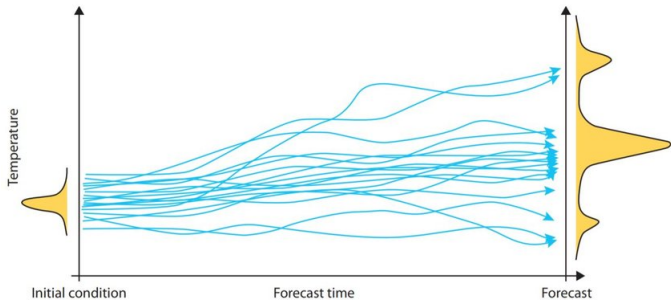


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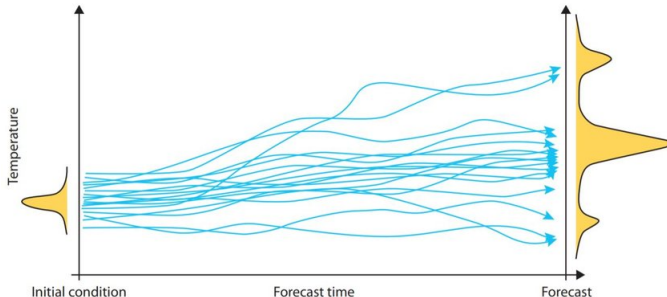


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⇒ combined using a Multi Fidelity Ensemble Kalman Filter (MF-EnKF) framework.

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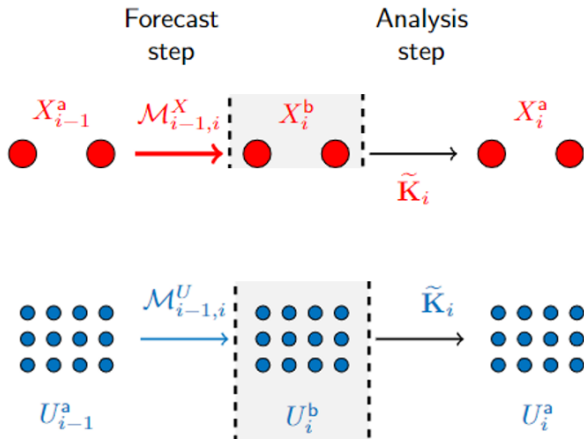
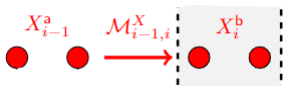
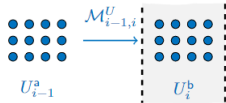


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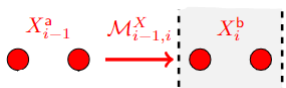


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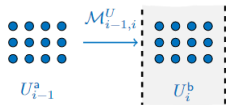


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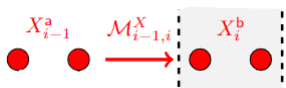
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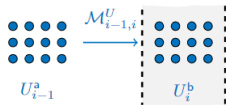
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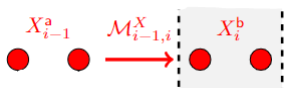
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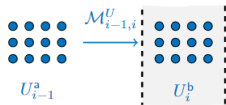
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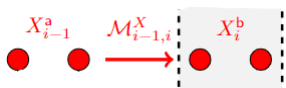
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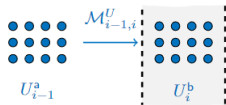
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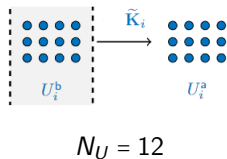
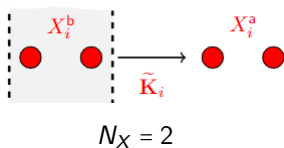
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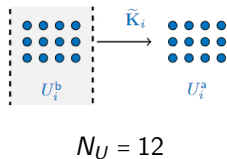
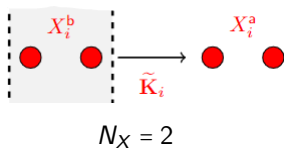
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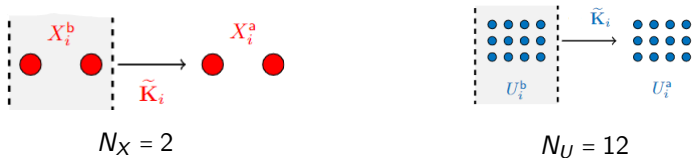
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$$\tilde{K}_i = \text{Cov}(Z_i^b, \mathcal{H}(Z_i^b))(\text{Cov}(\mathcal{H}(Z_i^b), \mathcal{H}(Z_i^b)) + R)^{-1}$$

with $Z_i^b = (1 - \lambda)\bar{X}_i^b + \lambda\bar{U}_i^b$ the total background term and R the covariance matrix of measurement errors.

Numerical experiments

We have tested the MF-EnKF with ML surrogate on 2 common toy models:

- Lorenz-96 model
- QG model

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- Initial condition:

$$x_0 = \mathbf{F} + \Delta \mathbf{e}_1$$

with \mathbf{F} the vector with all elements equal to F , which is the steady-state, and $\Delta = 0.01$

The surrogate model \mathcal{M}^U

- Implemented in Tensorflow
- Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)
- 3 convolutional layers, periodic padding
- About 1,000 parameters
- Trained on time-series of length 4,000 from direct simulations of Lorenz-96 model

Data assimilation setup

- Optimal localization using GC localization function added to EnKF for fairer comparison
- MF-EnKF with $\lambda = 0.5$ as tuning parameter
- Assimilation window: 4000 time steps
- Observations: noisy ($\sigma_{obs} = 1.0$) with 50% of the state observed (only even locations)

Lorenz-96 results

We use a fixed number of 10 full model runs.

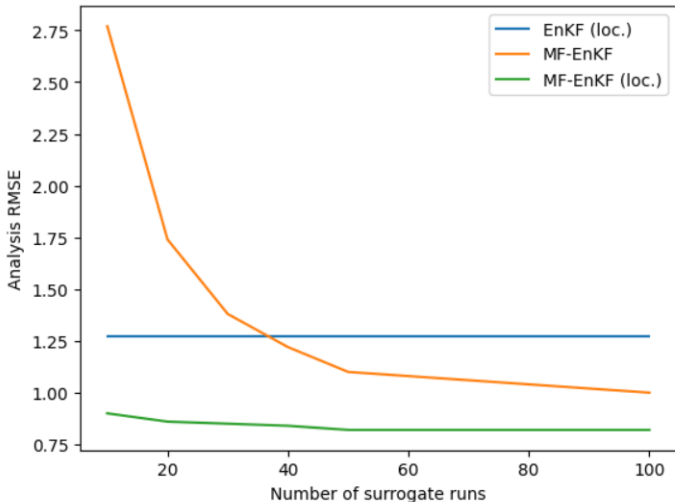


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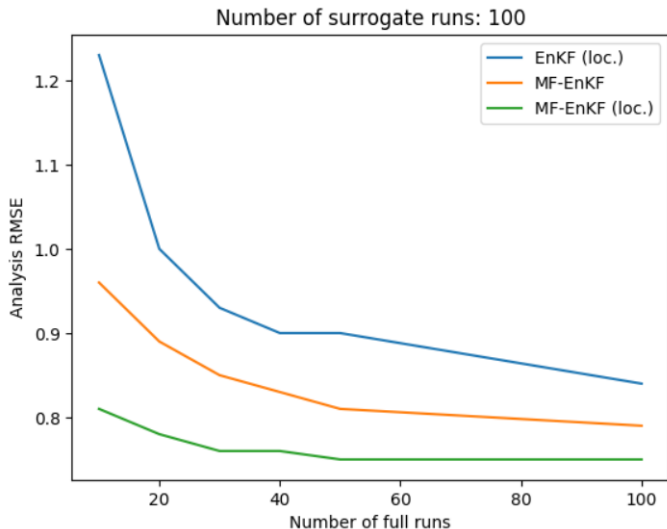


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QG model results

The physical model \mathcal{M}^X

- 1-layer Barotropic Vorticity equations

$$\partial_t q - \psi_y q_x + \psi_x q_y = 0$$

$$\Delta \psi - \frac{f_0^2}{gH} \psi = q - \beta y$$

- Double gyre setup with wind forcing $F = \frac{L\tau_0}{2\pi\rho_0} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi y}{L}\right)$
- Free slip boundary conditions
- Initial condition $q_0 = \psi_0 = 0$, spin-up time of 50 years
- Implemented using MQGeometry package from Thiry et al. (2024)

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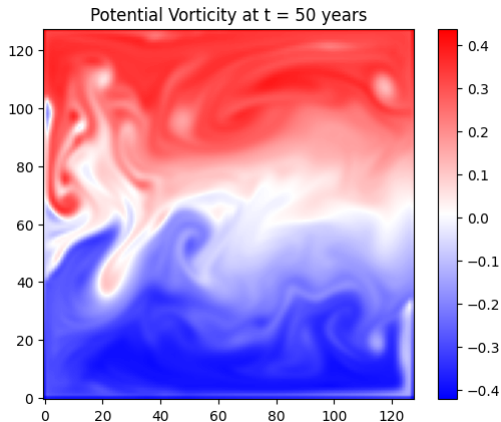


Figure: Initial vorticity (resolution: 128×128) after spin-up

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- Implemented in PyTorch
- Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)
- Similar setup as for Lorenz-96 surrogate model
- About 40,000 parameters
- Trained on 1 year of direct simulations from the QG model

Data assimilation setup

- MF-EnKF with $\lambda = 0.5$ as tuning parameter
- State vector: streamfunction ψ at every grid point (64×64).
- Localization using GC localization function
- Assimilation window: 1000 time steps
- Observations: noisy ($\sigma_{obs} = 1\%$) observations at 50% of the grid available, randomly selected locations

QG model results - no localization

We use a fixed number of 50 full model runs.

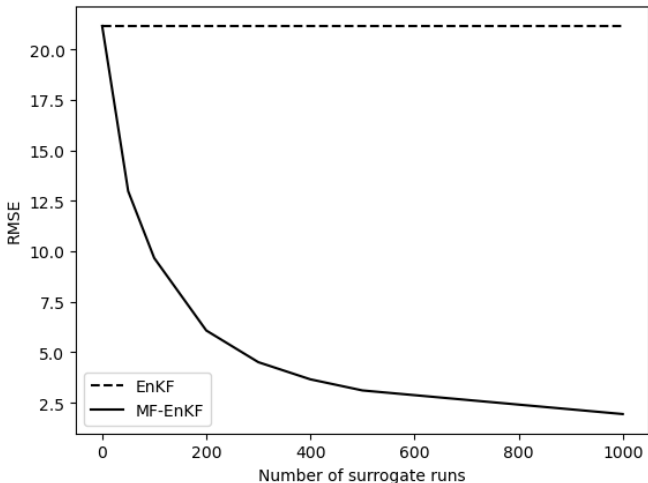


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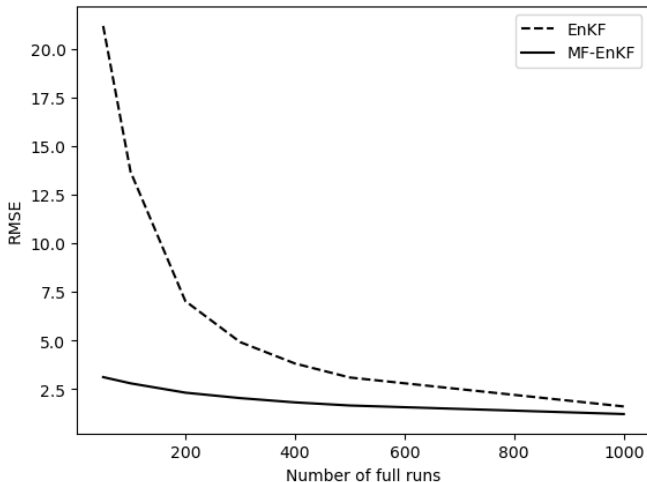


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EnKF outperforms MF-EnKF with strict localization → need better surrogate?

Conclusions

- ① MF-EnKF with ML surrogate outperforms EnKF for the same number of full model runs
- ② MF-EnKF with ML surrogate outperforms localized EnKF for the same number of full model runs **given enough surrogate runs**
- ③ MF-EnKF can reach similar or improved accuracy with fewer full model runs

Future directions

- Use more realistic assumptions in QG model (finer spatial dimension, more general geometries, less observations)
- Compare influence of different surrogate models (lower-dimensional model VS Neural Network VS linear regression)
- Find optimal value for tuning parameter λ

Thank you for your attention

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Extra slides

Influence of λ parameter

$N_X = 10$, $N_U = 100$.

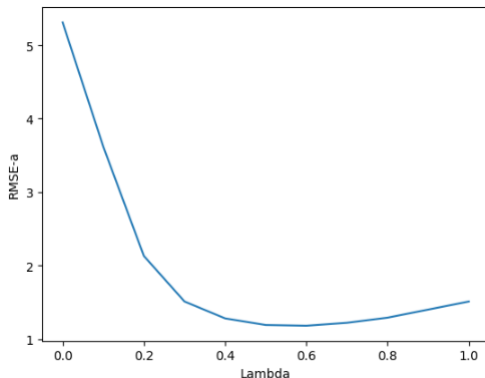


Figure: RMSE for different λ values for Lorenz-96 model (no localization)

$\lambda = 0$: fully trust ensemble of full model runs

$\lambda = 1$: fully trust ensemble of surrogate model runs

Similar result when localization is included.

Influence of surrogate model

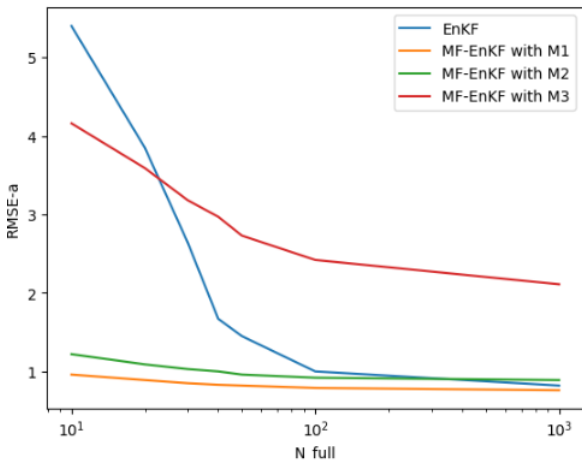


Figure: RMSE for different surrogates for Lorenz-96 with fixed number of surrogate runs (no localization)

M_1, \dots, M_3 are increasingly bad surrogates.

Influence of observed percentage

Fix $N_X = 50$ and $N_U = 500$. Choose $r_X = r_U = r$. Assimilation window: $K = 1000$. Observation locations are selected at random at every time step (\sim every 1.1 hour).

r	RMSE (50%)	RMSE (25%)	RMSE (10%)
1	0.89	2.03	5.35
2	1.04	2.18	5.39
3	1.02	2.10	5.08
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Std. of the streamfunction is about 27.