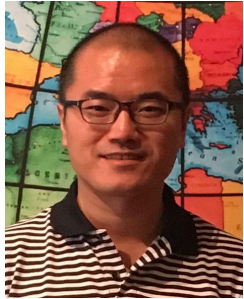


# Widening the Time Horizon: Predicting the Long-Term Behavior of Chaotic Systems



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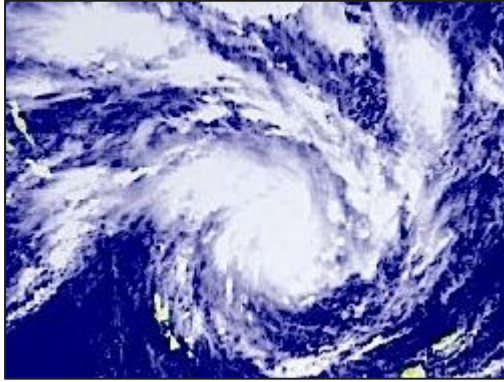


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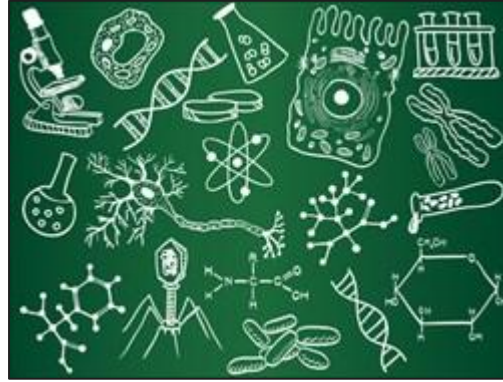


# Motivation

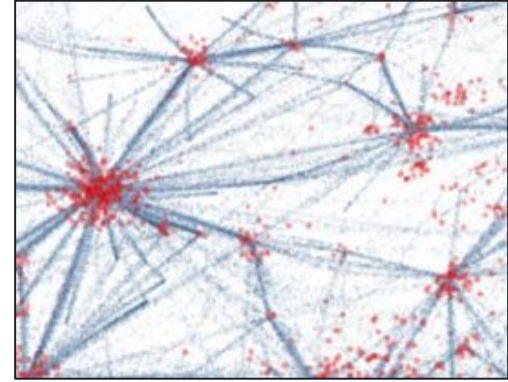
Chaotic systems are found across many fields of study:



**Climatology**



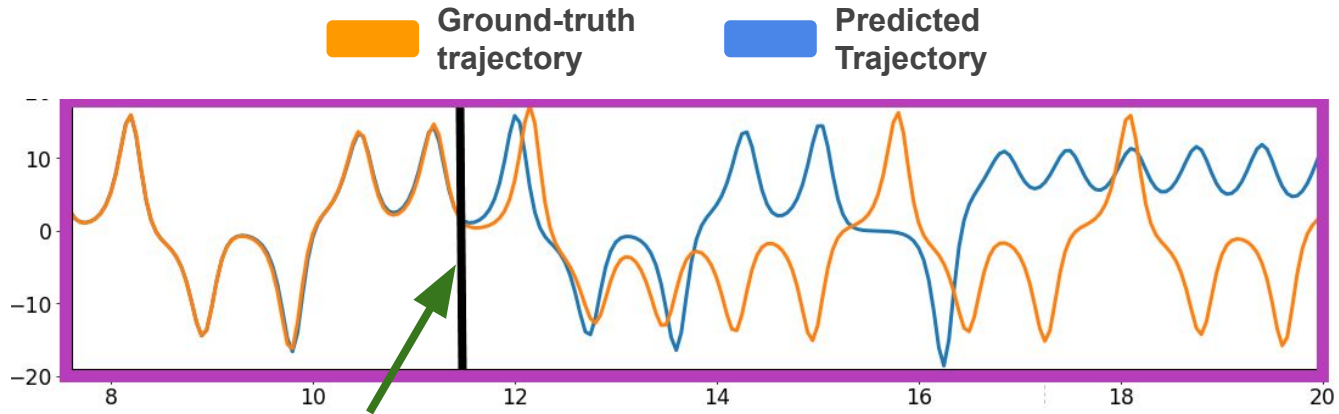
**Biology**



**Virology**

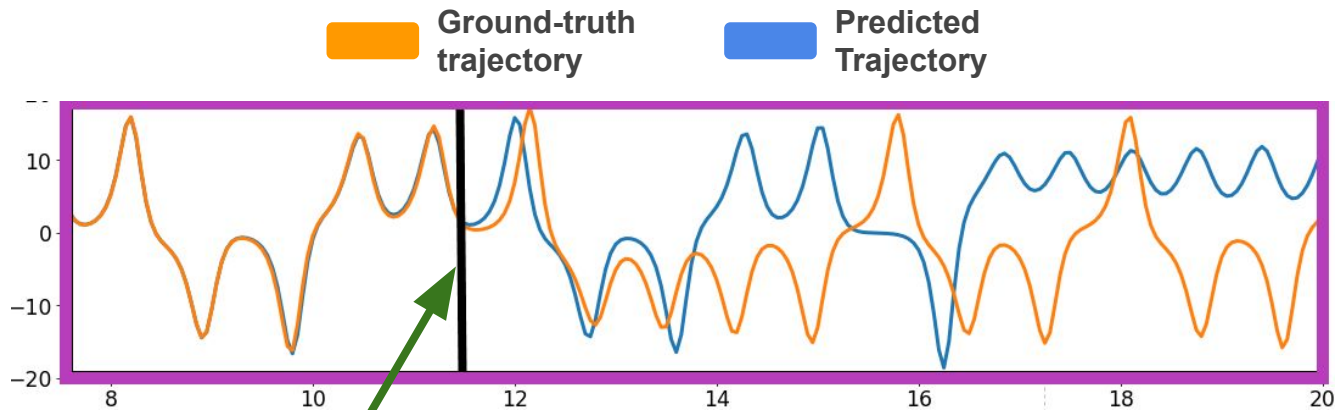
Accurate long-term forecasts can be very helpful in understanding such systems, warning of impending disasters, and making long-term plans.

# Prediction Horizon



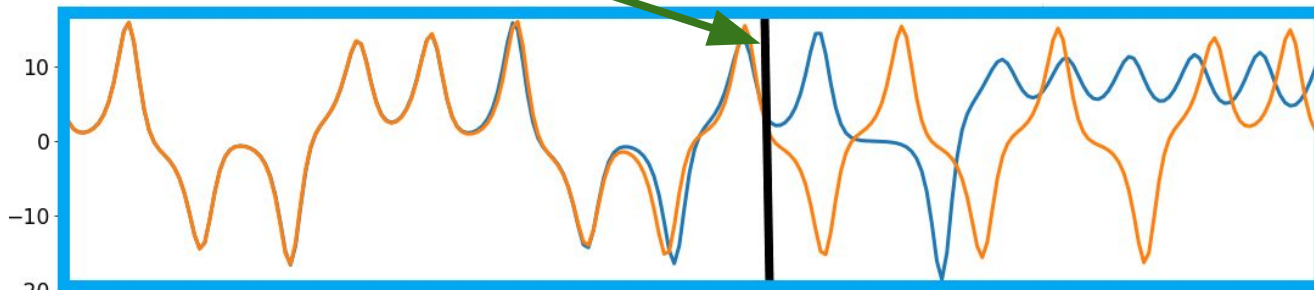
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# Widen the Prediction Horizon



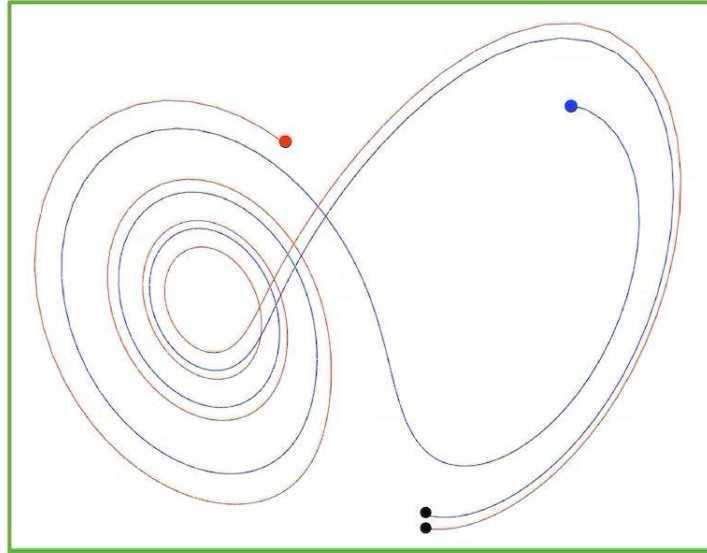
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Can the prediction horizon of this model be widened?



# Challenge

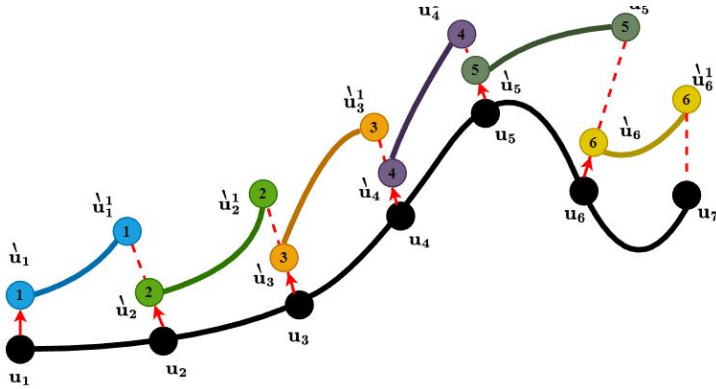
## Sensitive dependence on initial conditions



Two segments of the three-dimensional evolution of two trajectories for the same period of time in the Lorenz attractor starting at two close initial points. The initial differences will soon behave quite differently- predictive ability is rapidly lost.

# The maximal Lyapunov exponent

## Maximal Lyapunov Exponent

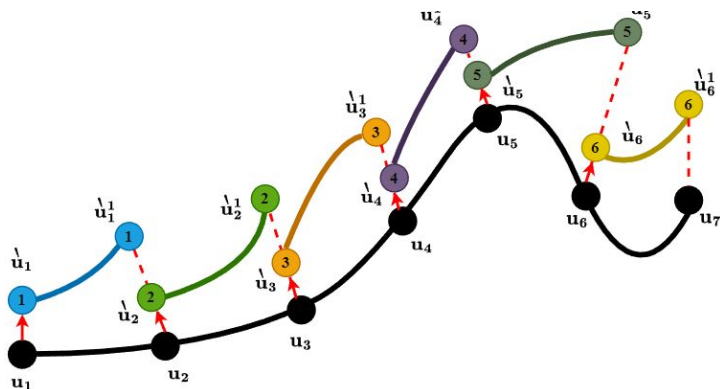


$$\lambda_{max} = \mathbb{E} \left[ \log \frac{\|\dot{\mathbf{u}}_t^1 - \mathbf{u}_{t+1}\|}{\|\dot{\mathbf{u}}_t - \mathbf{u}_t\|} \right]$$

It can be understood as the expected logarithm of the growth rate of unit errors near a strange attractor.

# Lyapunov Horizon Loss

## Maximal Lyapunov Exponent

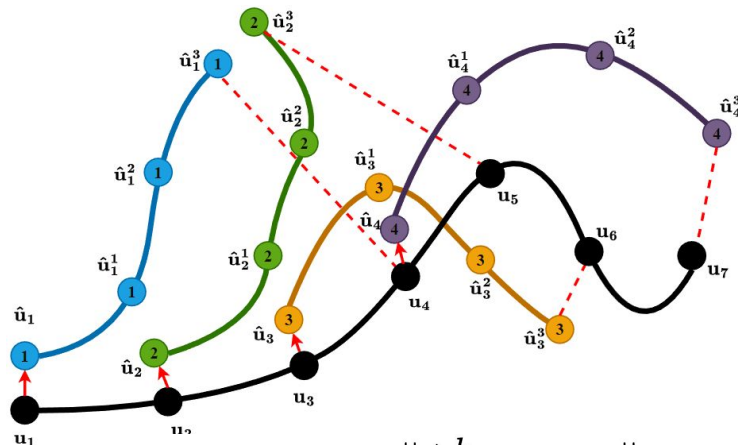


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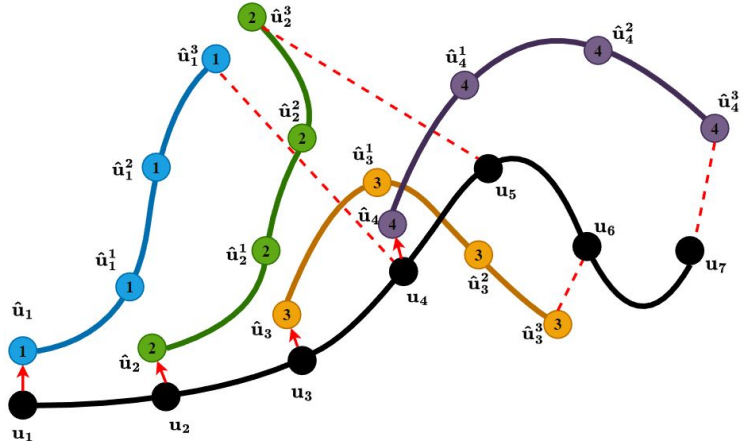


$$\lambda_{loss} = \sum \log \frac{\|\hat{\mathbf{u}}_t^k - \mathbf{u}_{t+k}\|}{\|\hat{\mathbf{u}}_t - \mathbf{u}_t\|}$$

We track how errors at each time step on the trajectory evolve from step t to the time horizon t+k.

# Error Trajectory Tracing Architecture (ETT)

## Lyapunov Horizon Loss

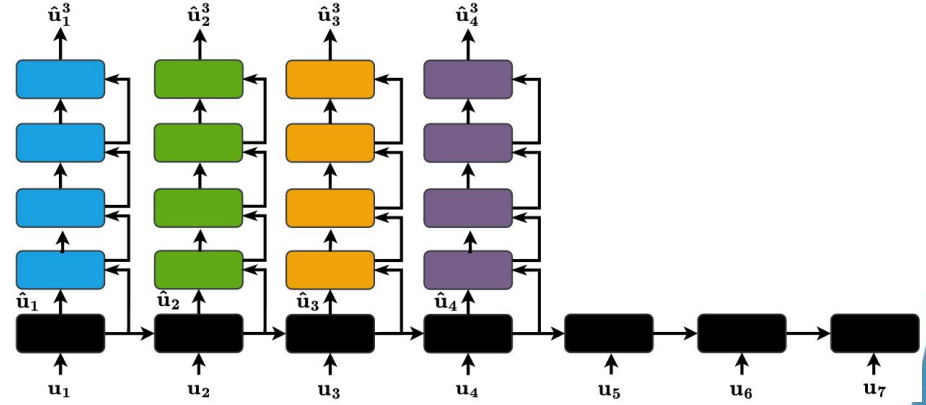
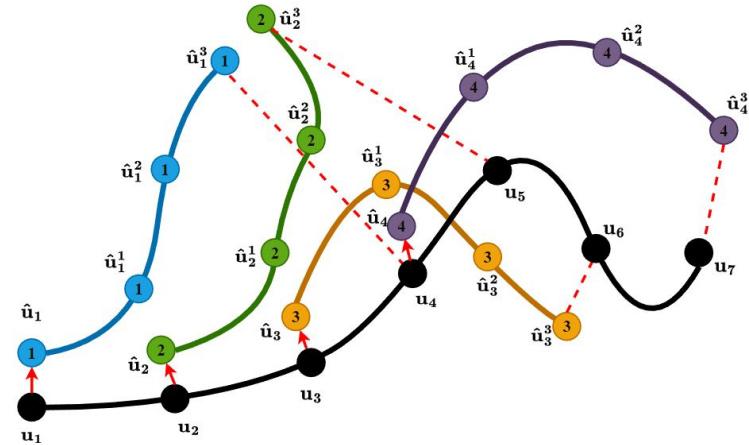




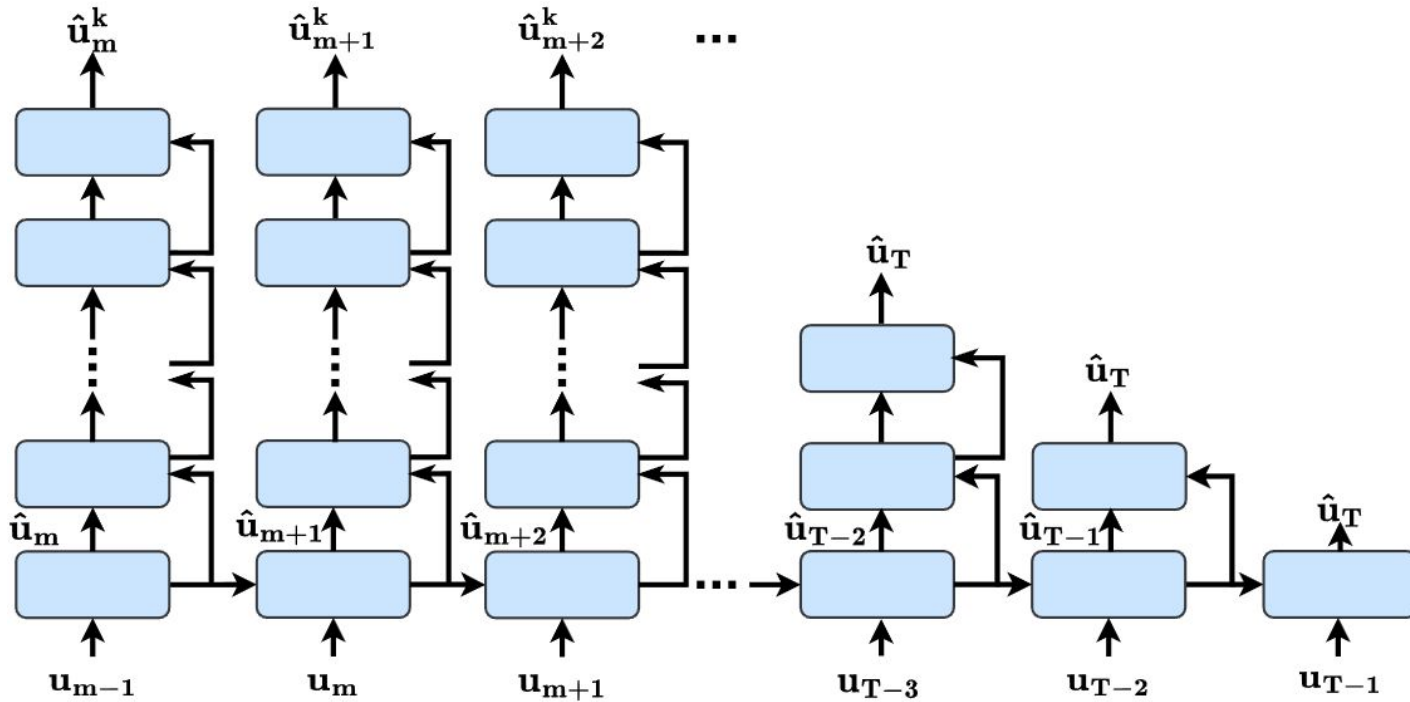
# Error Trajectory Tracing Architecture (ETT)

Lyapunov Horizon Loss

Modeling via a recurrent architecture



# Error Trajectory Tracing Architecture (ETT)



# Loss Function

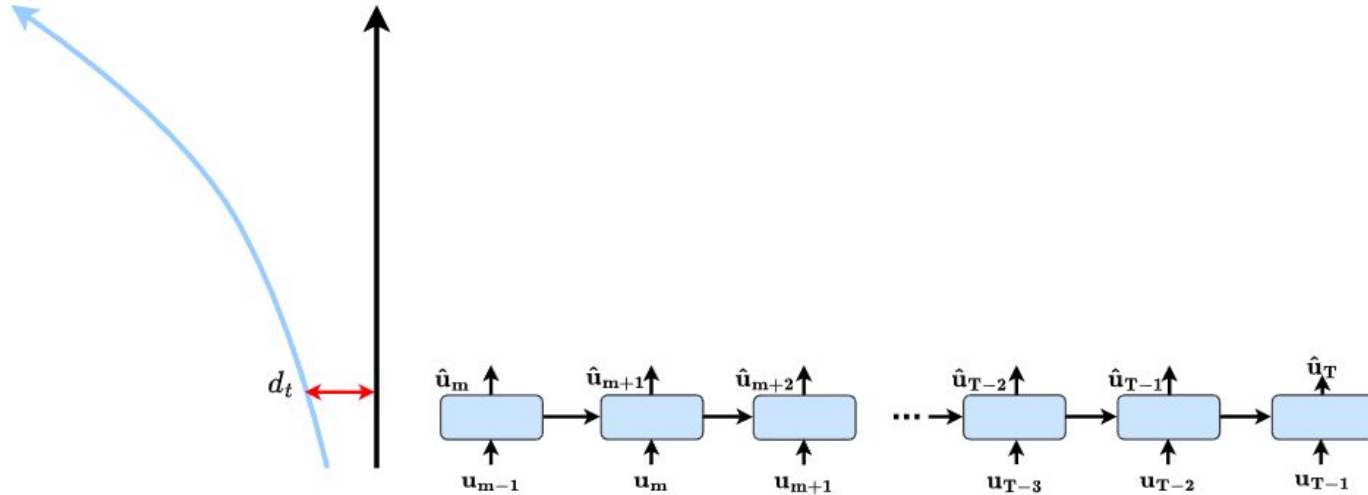
$$\begin{aligned}\theta^* &= \arg \min_{\theta} (\mathcal{L} + \lambda_{loss}) \\ &= \arg \min_{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^N \left[ \sum_{t=1}^T (\hat{\mathbf{u}}_t^{(i)} - \mathbf{u}_t^{(i)})^2 + \sum_{t=1}^{T-k} \lambda_t^{(i)} \right] \\ &= \arg \min_{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^N \left[ \sum_{t=1}^T (\hat{\mathbf{u}}_t^{(i)} - \mathbf{u}_t^{(i)})^2 + \sum_{t=1}^{T-k} \log \frac{\|\hat{\mathbf{u}}_t^{(i),k} - \mathbf{u}_{t+k}^{(i)}\|}{\|\hat{\mathbf{u}}_t^{(i)} - \mathbf{u}_t^{(i)}\|} \right] \\ &= \arg \min_{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^N \left[ \sum_{t=1}^T (d_t^{(i)})^2 + \sum_{t=1}^{T-k} \log \frac{\|d_t^{(i),k}\|}{\|d_t^{(i)}\|} \right]\end{aligned}$$

# Training procedure

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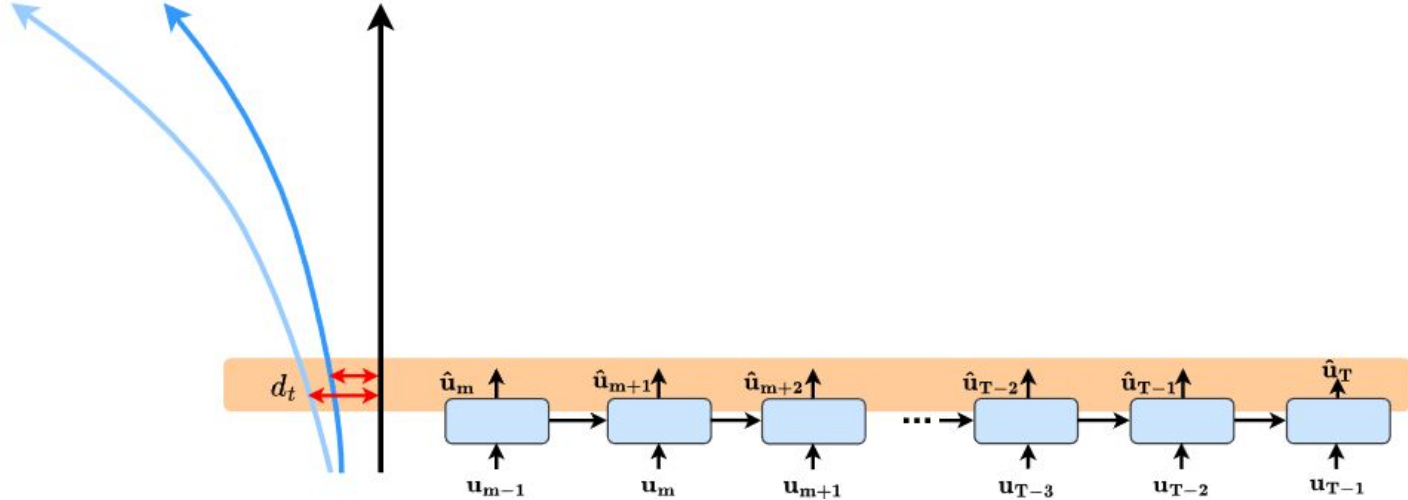
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- Train base model
- Build ETT
- Train model for horizon K

# Training procedure: Horizon Forcing



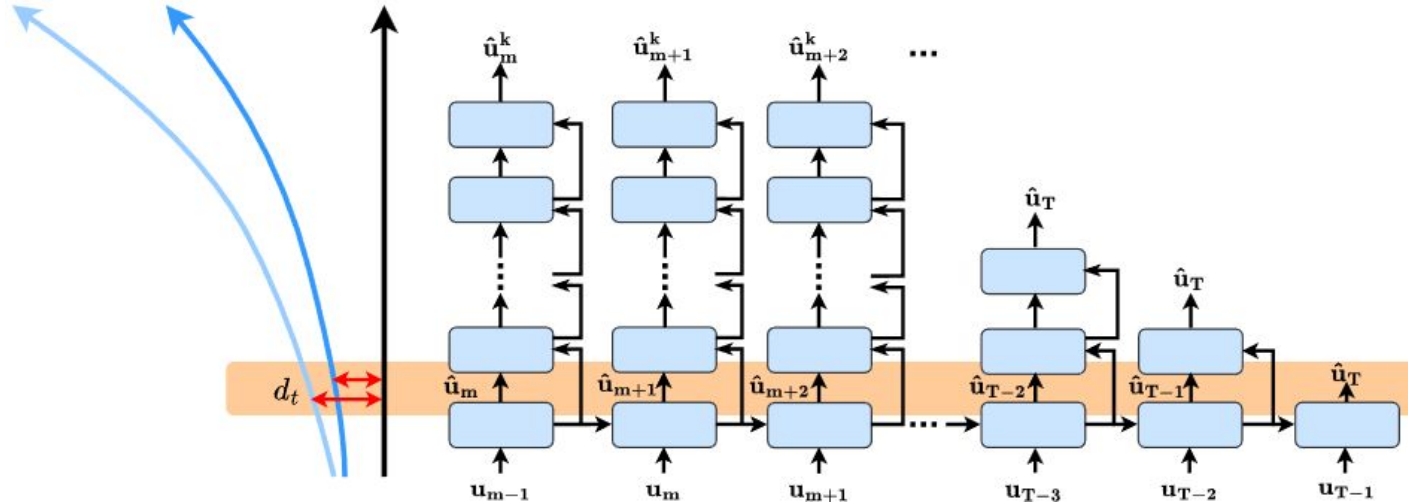
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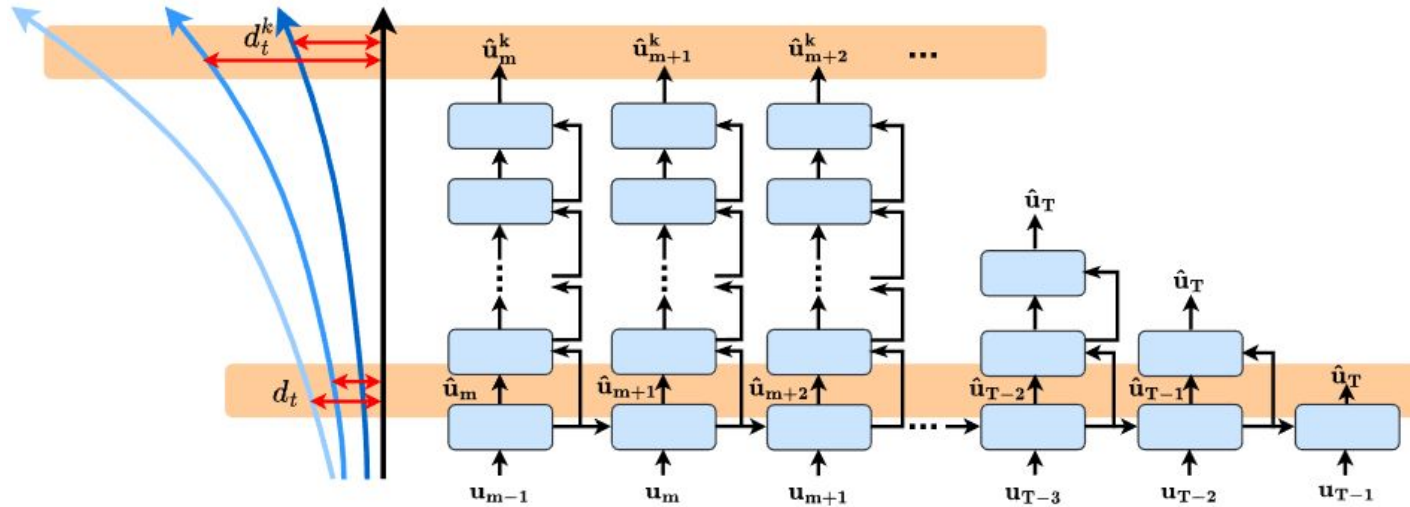
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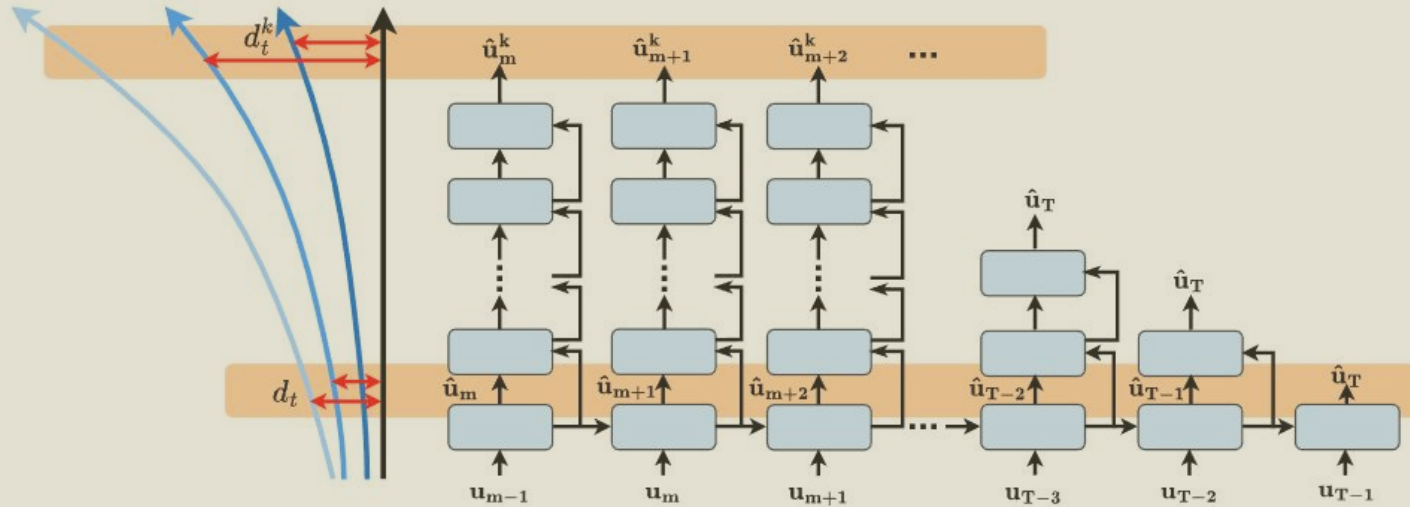
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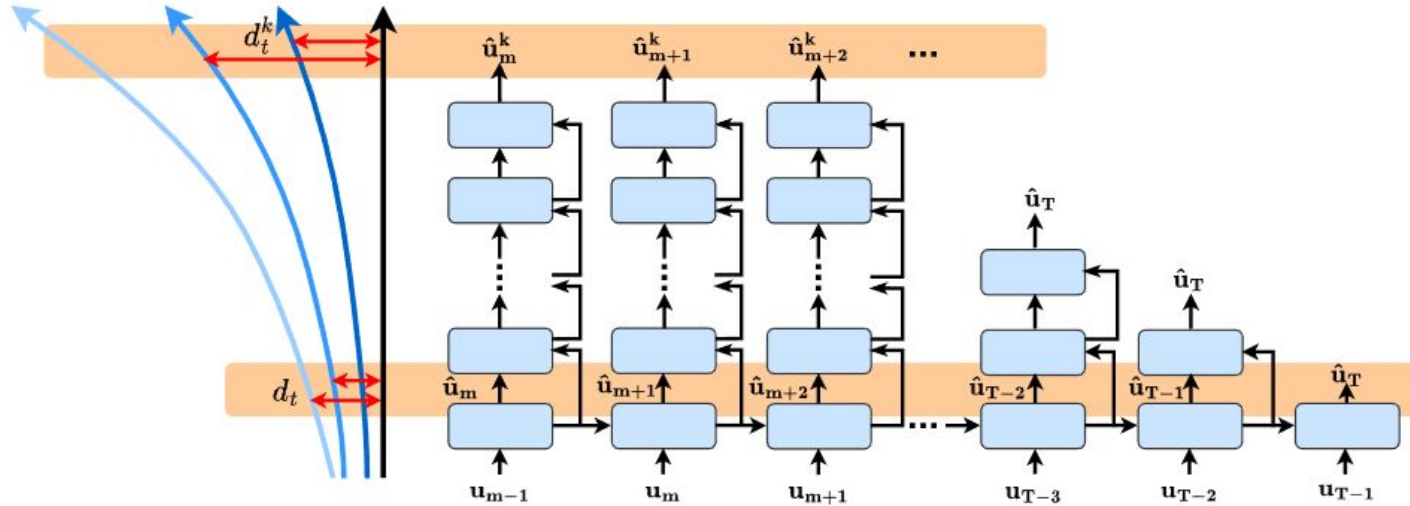




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*How to train model for bigger horizon?*

# Training procedure: Horizon Forcing



- Initialize base model
- Train base model
-  Build ETT  Repetition
- Train model for the **next** horizon K

# Experiments Setting

## Metrics: Prediction horizon and Expectation

Prediction Horizon:  $\mathbb{P}_M = \min_j \left\{ j \mid \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N M \left( \mathbf{u}_j^{(i)}, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_j^{(i)} \right) > \delta_M \right\}$

Time step

Evaluation Metric

Threshold

Expectation:  $\mathbb{E}_M = \frac{1}{N \times T} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^T M \left( \mathbf{u}_j^{(i)}, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_j^{(i)} \right)$

# Experiments Setting

## Three metrics for forecasting analysis

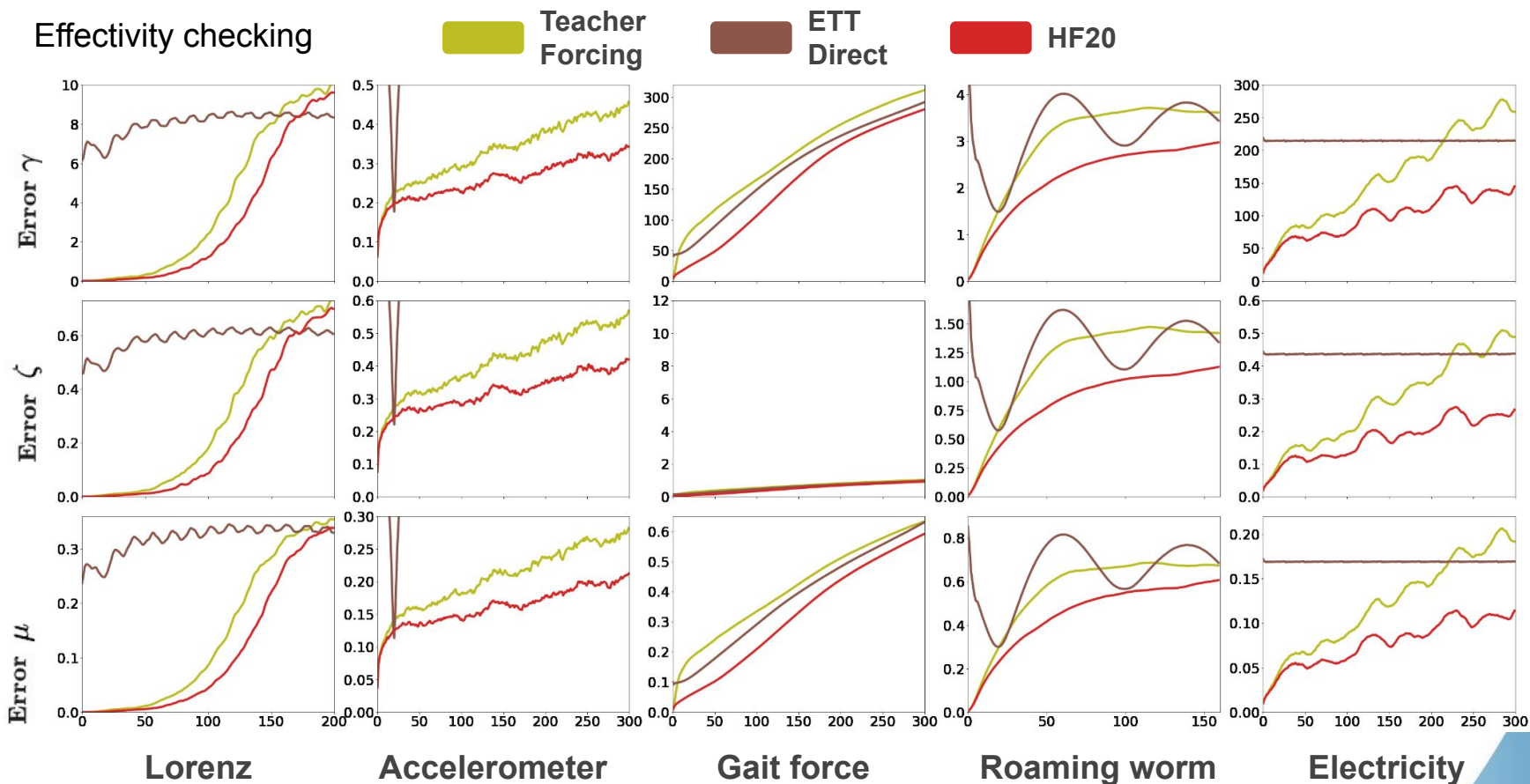
Metric	Expression	Symbols: Expectation & Prediction Horizon
Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE)	$\gamma(\mathbf{u}_t^{(i)}, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_t^{(i)}) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{D} \sum_{d=1}^D \ \hat{\mathbf{u}}_{t,d}^{(i)} - \mathbf{u}_{t,d}^{(i)}\ ^2}$	$\mathbf{E}_\gamma; \mathbf{P}_\gamma$
Mean Normalized Error (MNE)	$\zeta(\mathbf{u}_t^{(i)}, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_t^{(i)}) = \frac{1}{D} \sum_{d=1}^D \frac{\ \hat{\mathbf{u}}_{t,d}^{(i)} - \mathbf{u}_{t,d}^{(i)}\ }{\ \mathbf{u}_{t,d}^{(i)}\ }$	$\mathbf{E}_\zeta; \mathbf{P}_\zeta$
Symmetric Mean Absolute Percent Error (SMAPE)	$\mu(\mathbf{u}_t^{(i)}, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_t^{(i)}) = \frac{1}{D} \sum_{d=1}^D \frac{\ \hat{\mathbf{u}}_{t,d}^{(i)} - \mathbf{u}_{t,d}^{(i)}\ }{\ \hat{\mathbf{u}}_{t,d}^{(i)}\  + \ \mathbf{u}_{t,d}^{(i)}\ }$	$\mathbf{E}_\mu; \mathbf{P}_\mu$

# Experiments Setting

Five time series prediction tasks with chaotic characteristics.

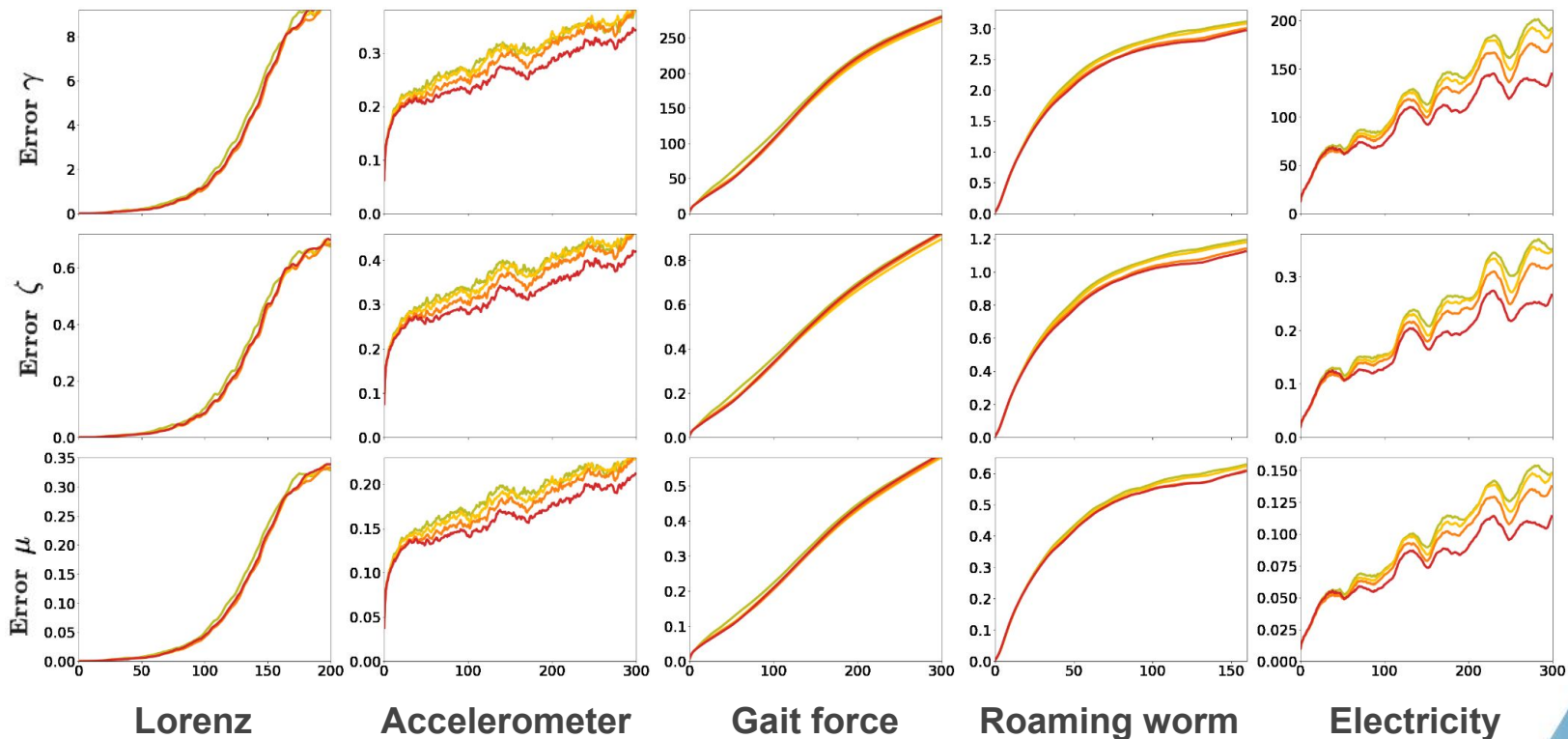
Data sets	# of vars	# of training	# of testing	# of forecasting steps	$\delta\gamma$	$\delta\zeta$	$\delta\mu$
Lorenz	3	8,500	1,201	200	3.11	0.23	0.11
Roaming Worm	5	5,000	1,649	160	2.27	0.86	0.46
Accelerometer	3	5,500	801	300	0.29	0.36	0.18
Gait Force	6	5,600	1,023	300	158.69	0.50	0.26
Electricity	1	5,000	1,081	300	121.54	0.22	0.06

# Ablation Study: Horizon-Forced Model VS Teaching Forcing VS ETT Direct



# Ablation Study: Choice of Horizon

HF5    HF10    HF15    HF20



# Experiments Setting

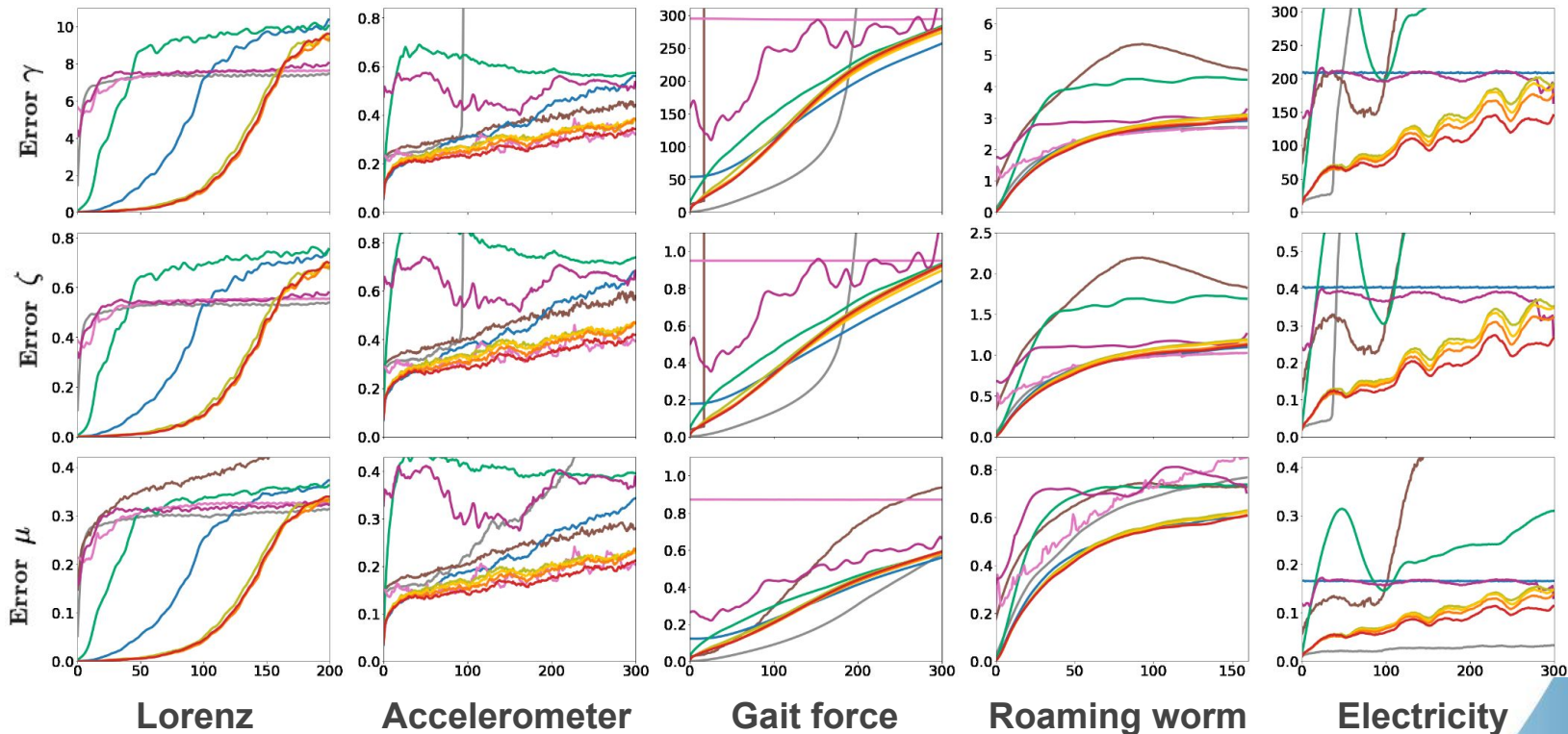
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## Six competitors for long-term behavior prediction

- Broad Learning System (BLS)
- Extreme learning machine (ELM)
- Scheduled Sampling - Full Schedule(SSFS)
- Music Transformer (MTF)
- Informer (IF)
- AutoFormer (AF)



# Benchmarking



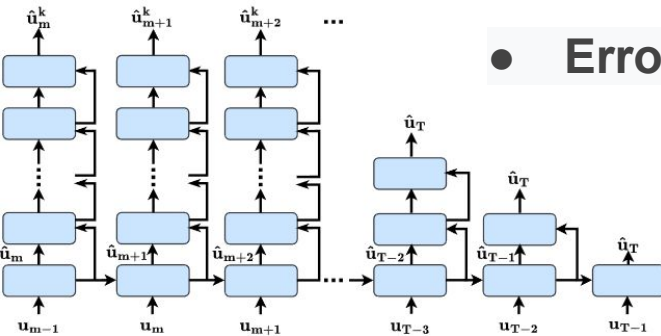
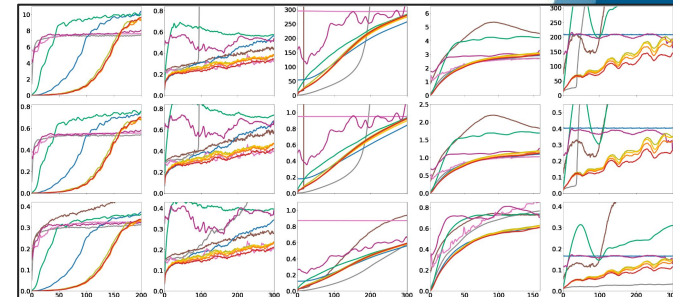
# CONCLUSION

- Error Trajectory Tracing (ETT)

- Initialize base model
- Train base model
- Build ETT ← Repetition
- Train model for the next horizon K

- Horizon Forcing (HF)

- Extensive experiments on 5 data sets



*Thank You!*  
*Questions & Answers*