

THE DIFFUSION KERNEL  
IN PREDICTION PROBLEMS

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## (1) GLANCE:

working with

- NON-GAUSSIAN FILTERING methods for
- continuous-time deterministic models
- discrete-time noisy data

$$\text{Model : } \frac{d}{dt}\Phi = f(\Phi)$$

$$\text{Initial : } \Phi_0 = \text{random}$$

$$\text{Data : } y_k = h(\Phi_{t_k}) + \text{noise}$$

issue is

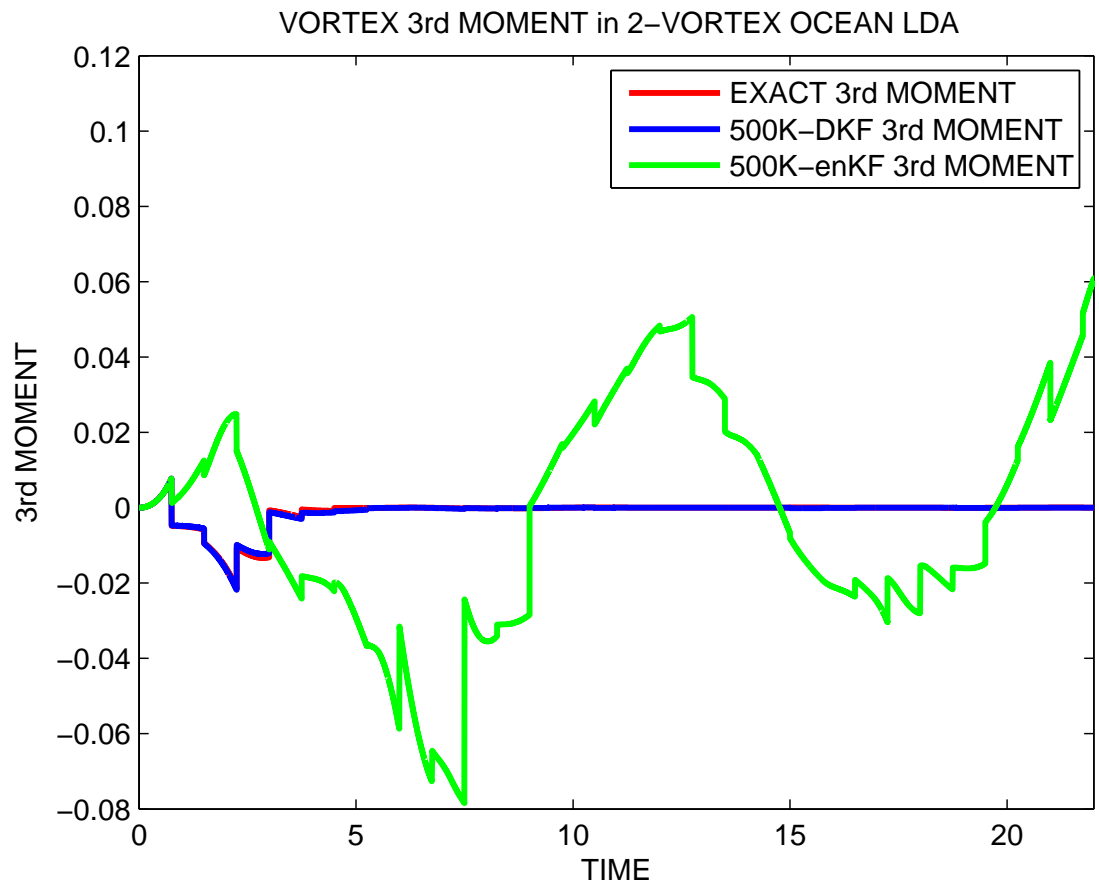
- COST effectiveness

while preserving

- MATH consistency
- PHYS consistency

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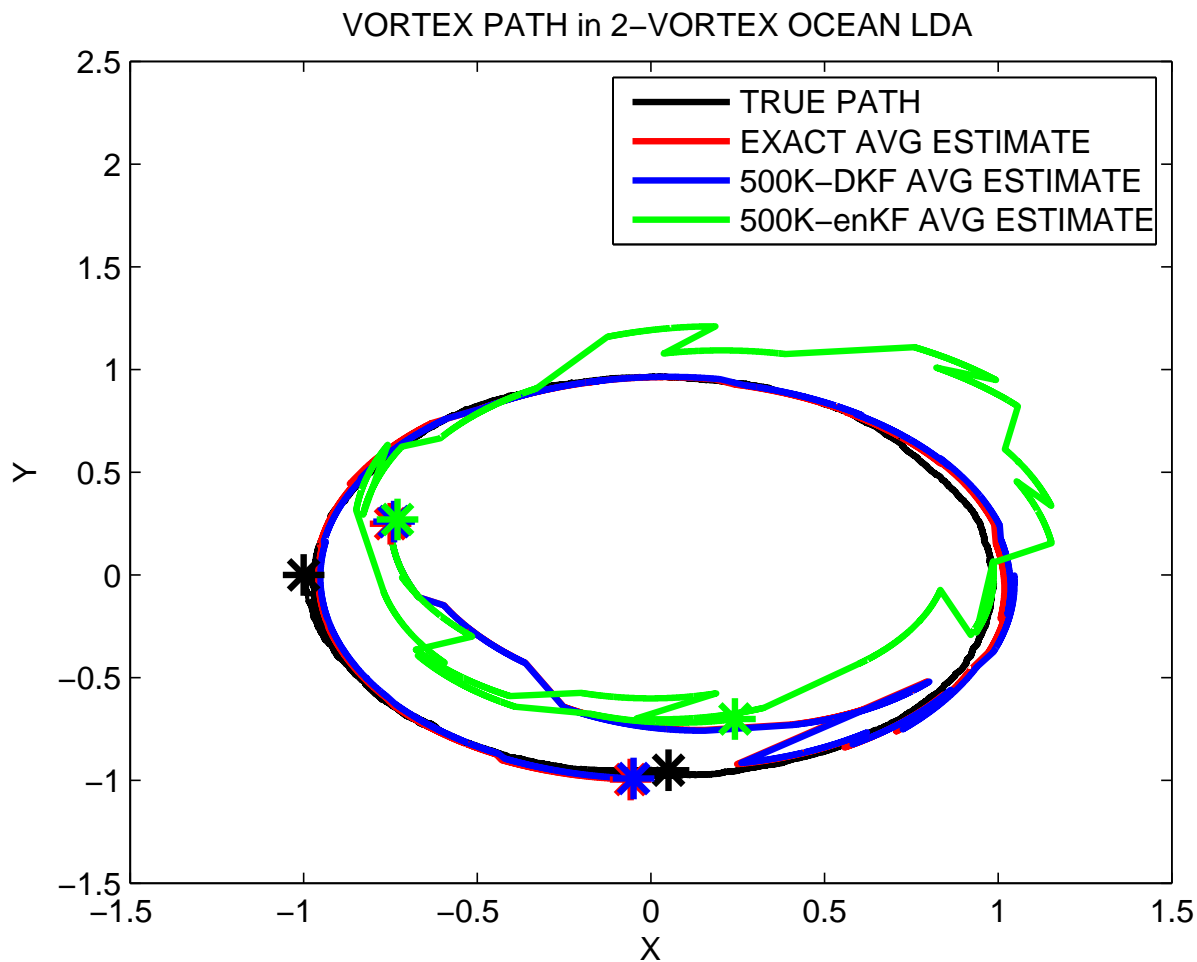
Are we closely solving for  $\Phi|y$  ?



Reference:

The Diffusion Kernel Filter applied to Lagrangian Data Assimilation; w/ J.M. Restrepo; MWR, (2009)

Is that needed?

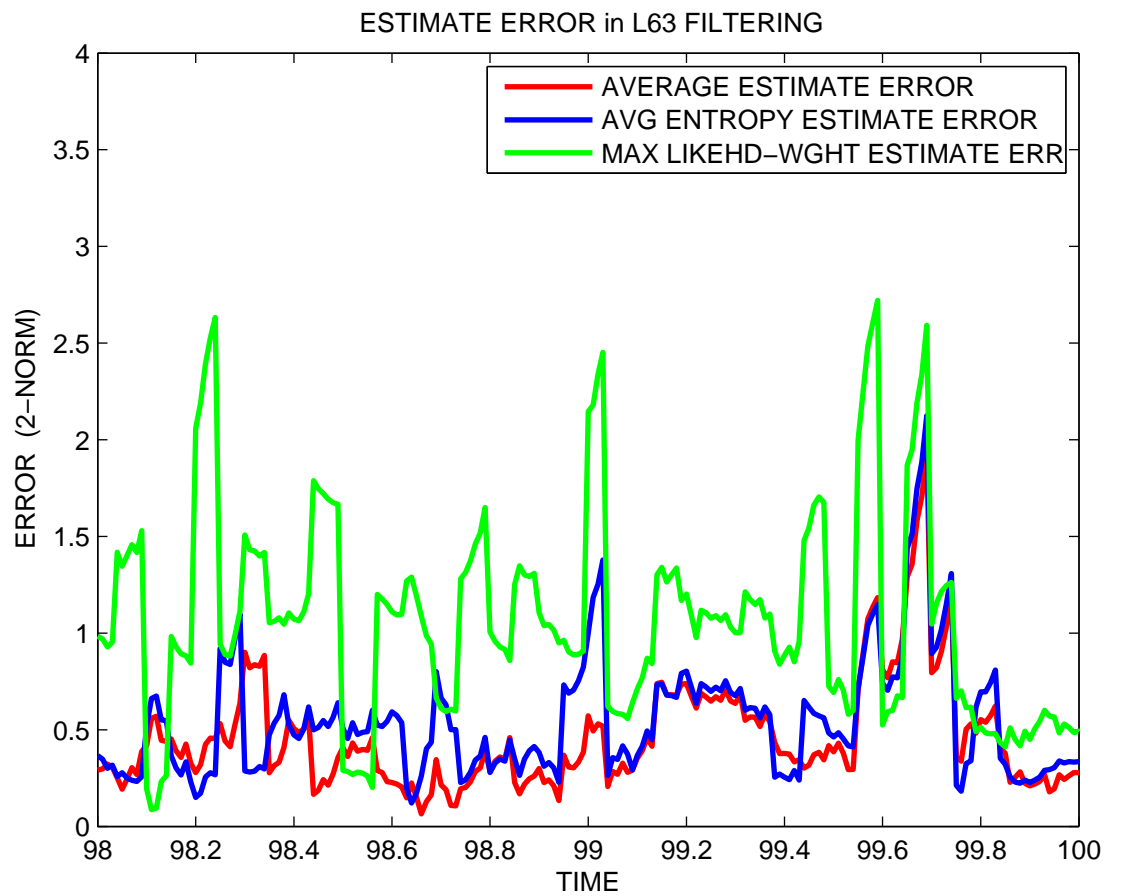


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- PHYS consistency

Are we closely sampling from the deterministic model dynamics ?



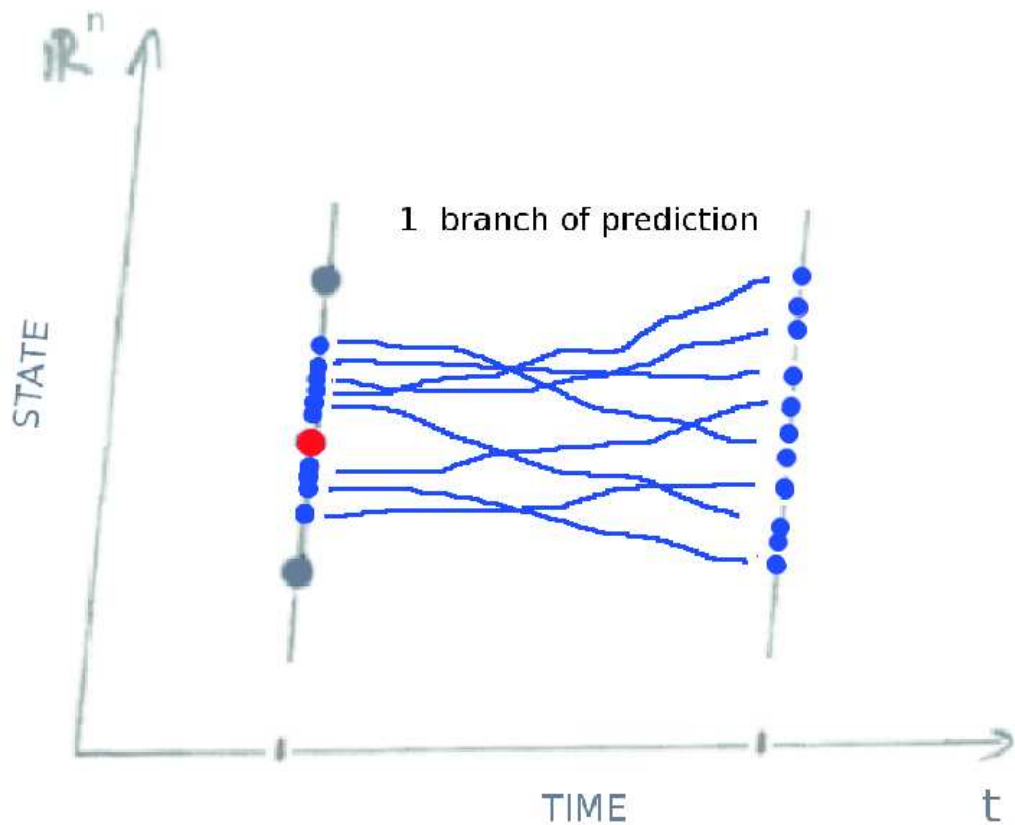
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## (2) METHOD:

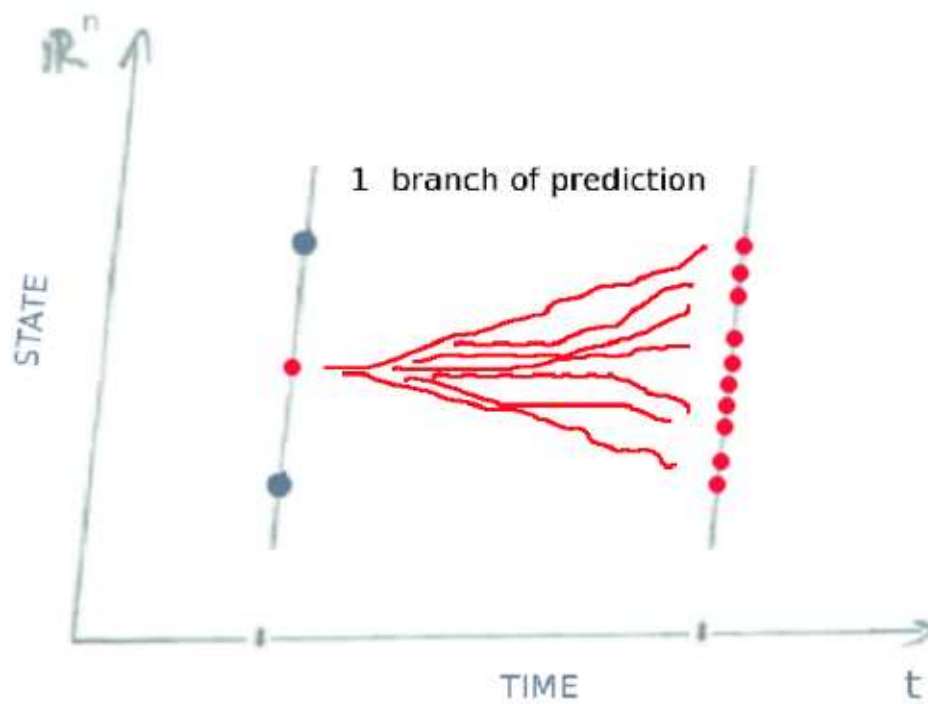
- STEP 1: cast non-Gaussian initial uncertainty into Gaussian mixture of initial uncertainties
- **STEP 2: cast Gaussian initial uncertainty into model noise and solve the filtering problem for Gaussian branches with Kalman analysis**
- STEP 2': parallelize reduced Tangent Operator-based forecasts, not sample-based forecasts

- **STEP 2: cast Gaussian initial uncertainty into model noise**



$$\frac{d}{dt}\Phi = f(\Phi)$$
$$\Phi_0 \sim N(\phi_0, C_0)$$

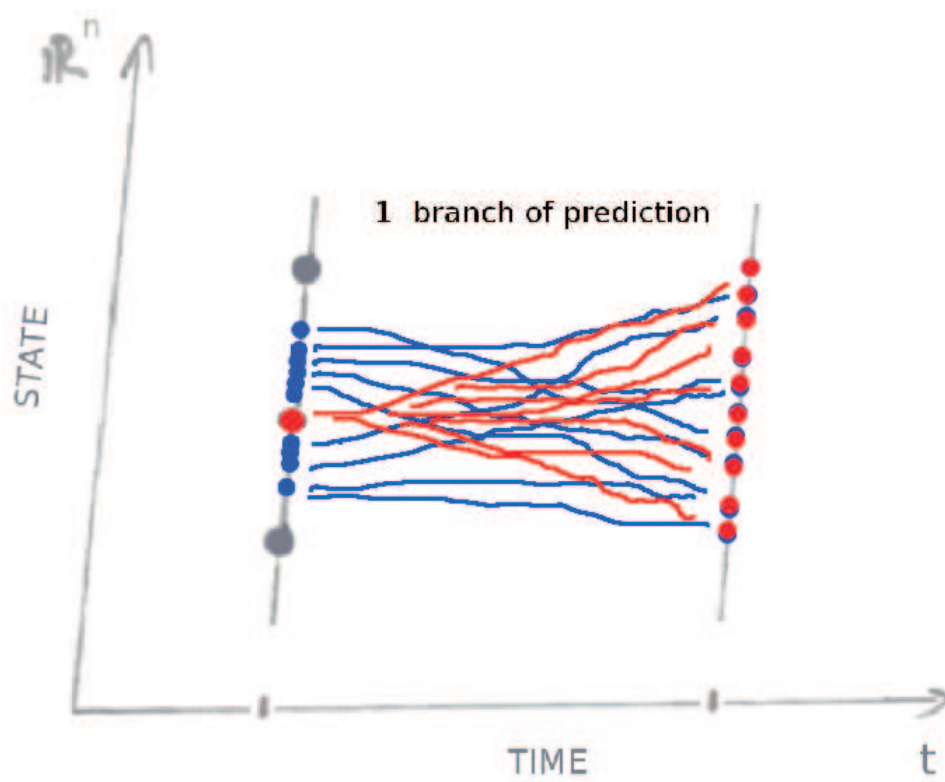




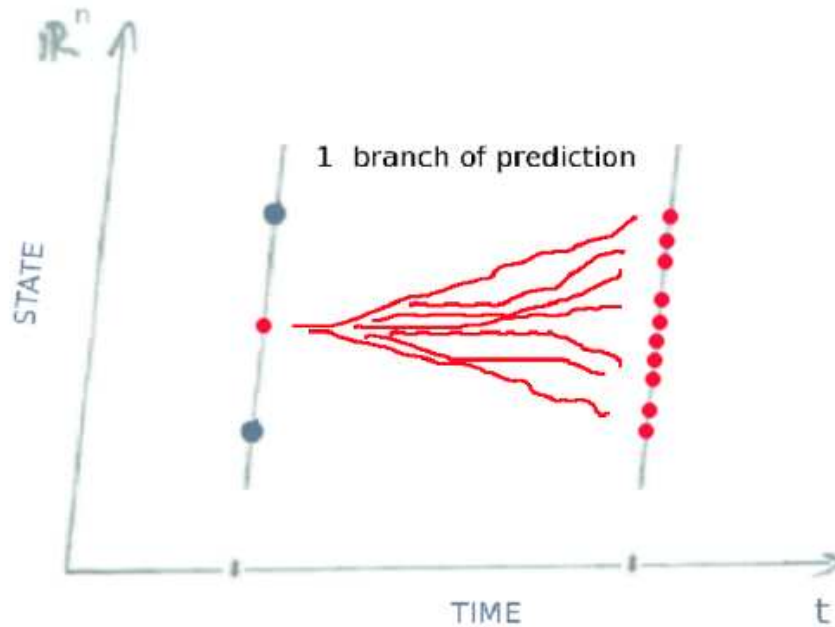
$$d\Phi = f(\Phi) dt + g dw$$

$$(dw/dt = \text{white})$$

$$\Phi_0 \sim \text{Dirac}(\phi_0)$$



(in distribution)



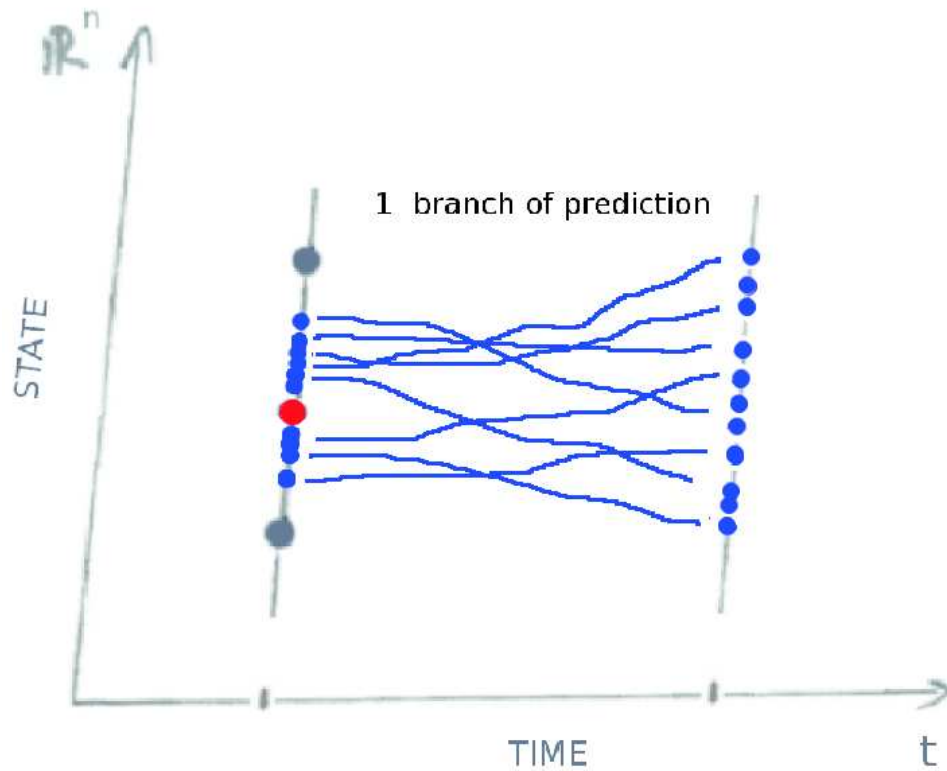
RESULT: linear regime

$$P_t = M_t(tgg^T)M_t^T, \text{ where}$$

$M_t :=$  Tangent Operator obtained from TLM about  $\phi_t$

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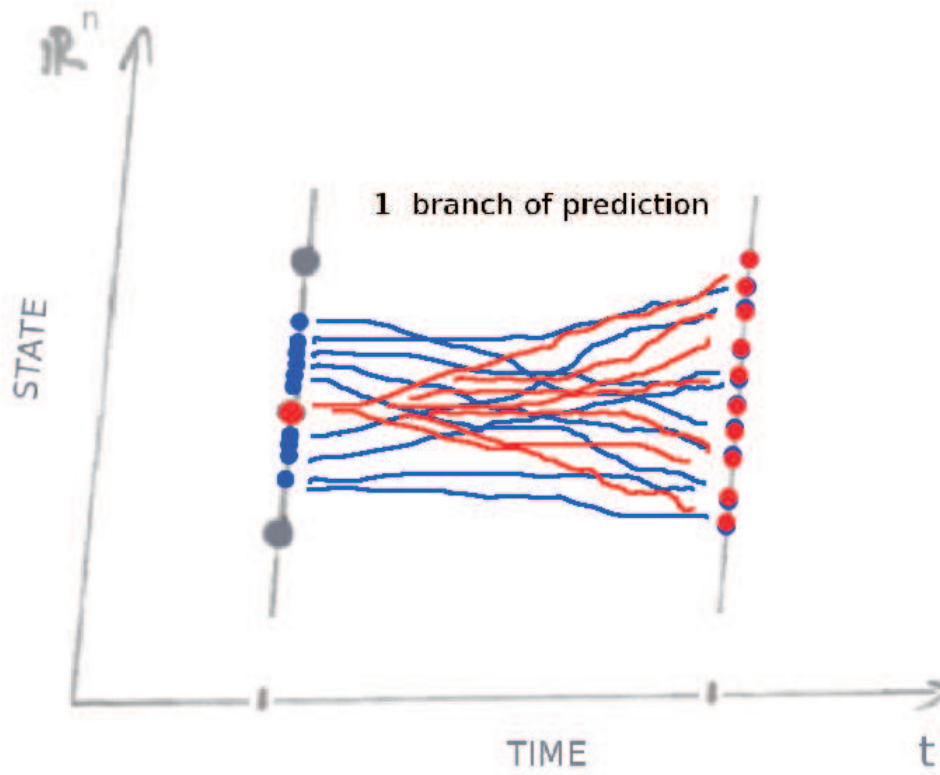
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SINCE: linear regime

$$C_t = M_t C_0 M_t^T, \text{ where}$$

$M_t :=$  Tangent Operator obtained from TLM about  $\phi_t$



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$\tau$

$$C_\tau = P_\tau \text{ for } gg^\top := \frac{C_0}{\tau}$$

## ANSATZ: REDUCED FORMULA

$$\widehat{C}_t := \widehat{M}_t(tg_e(t)g_e(t)^\top)\widehat{M}_t^\top, \text{ where}$$

$$g_e(t) := \left(\int_{t_k}^t D\hat{f}(\phi_s)ds\right)g + \hat{g}$$

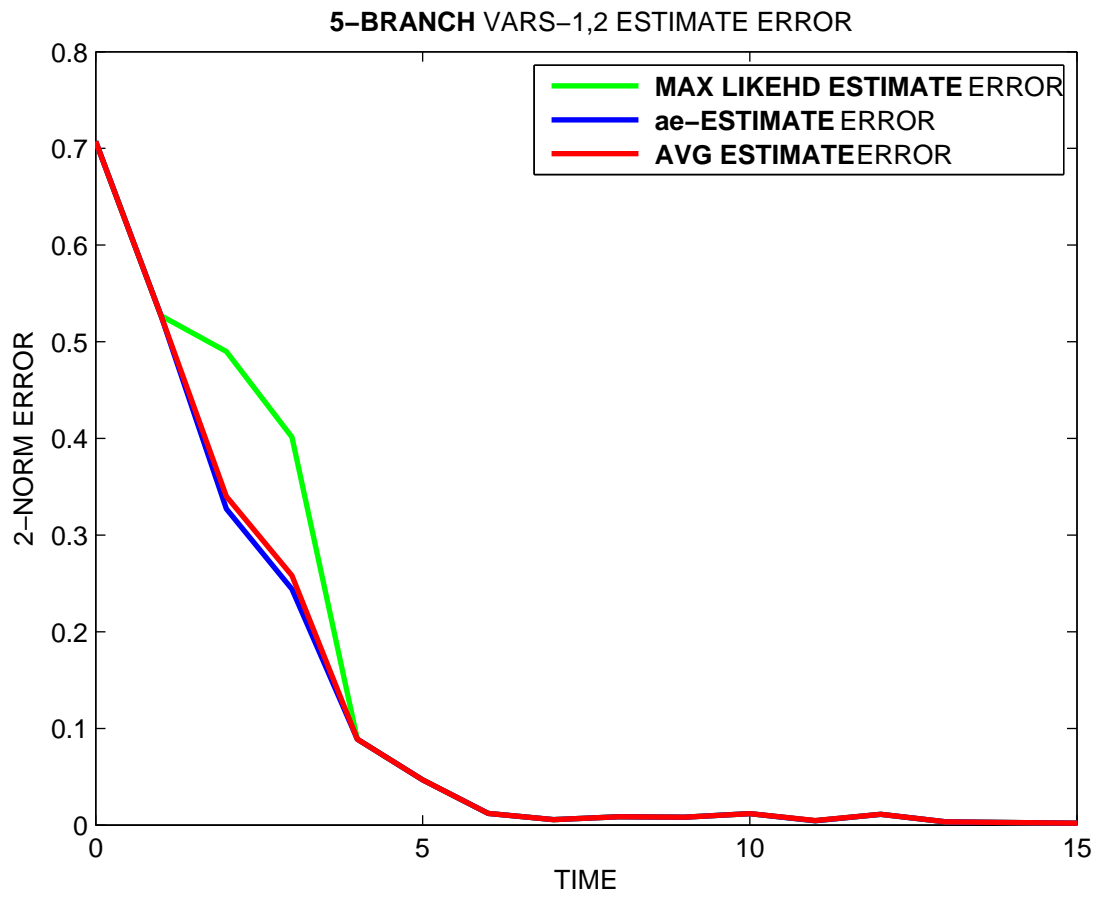
- $g_e$  models the effect of the unresolved components of  $C_t$  onto  $\widehat{C}_t$
- $\tau g_e(\tau)g_e(\tau)$  at filtering time  $t_{k+1}$  involves  $\tau g g^\top = \text{diag}(\widetilde{C}_k, \widetilde{C}_k)$ , where  $\widetilde{C}_k$  is the value at time  $t_k$  of the unresolved block of  $C_t$  within the prediction interval  $[t_k, t_{k+1}]$
- $\widetilde{C}_k$  would be roughly estimated on a fast side process. Here, it is set to  $\widetilde{R}$  (w/ the corresponding analysis vars set to data values, in all branches).

### (3) TESTS:

Lorenz-63 flows with 1 time-unit long prediction steps and observation function  $h : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ ,  $h(\Phi_1, \Phi_2, \Phi_3) = (\Phi_1^2 + \Phi_2^2, \Phi_3)$ , with error  $\epsilon \sim N(0, \text{diag}([10^{-2}, 10^{-4}]))$

STEP 1: launch  $\hat{C}_0$  with different caliber for different branches

STEP 2: TLM is solved just for the first two columns of  $M_t$

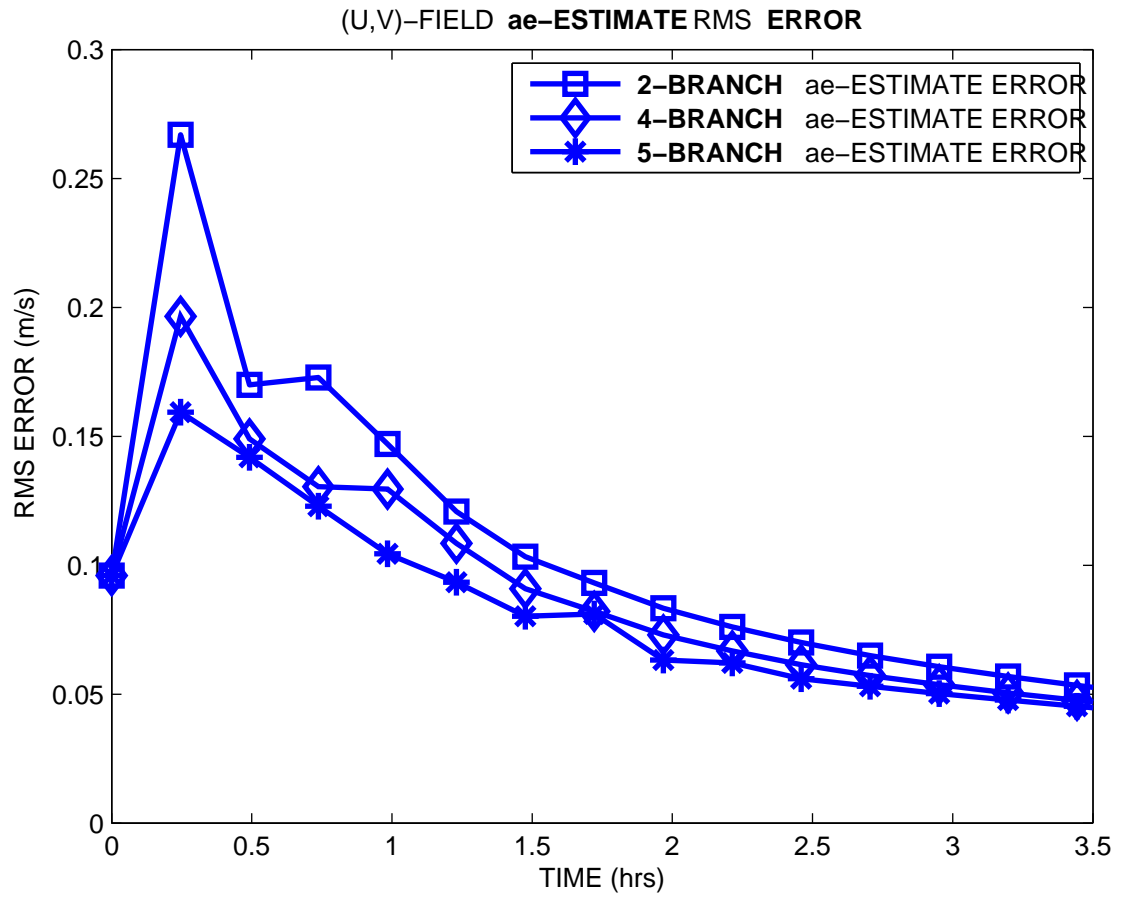


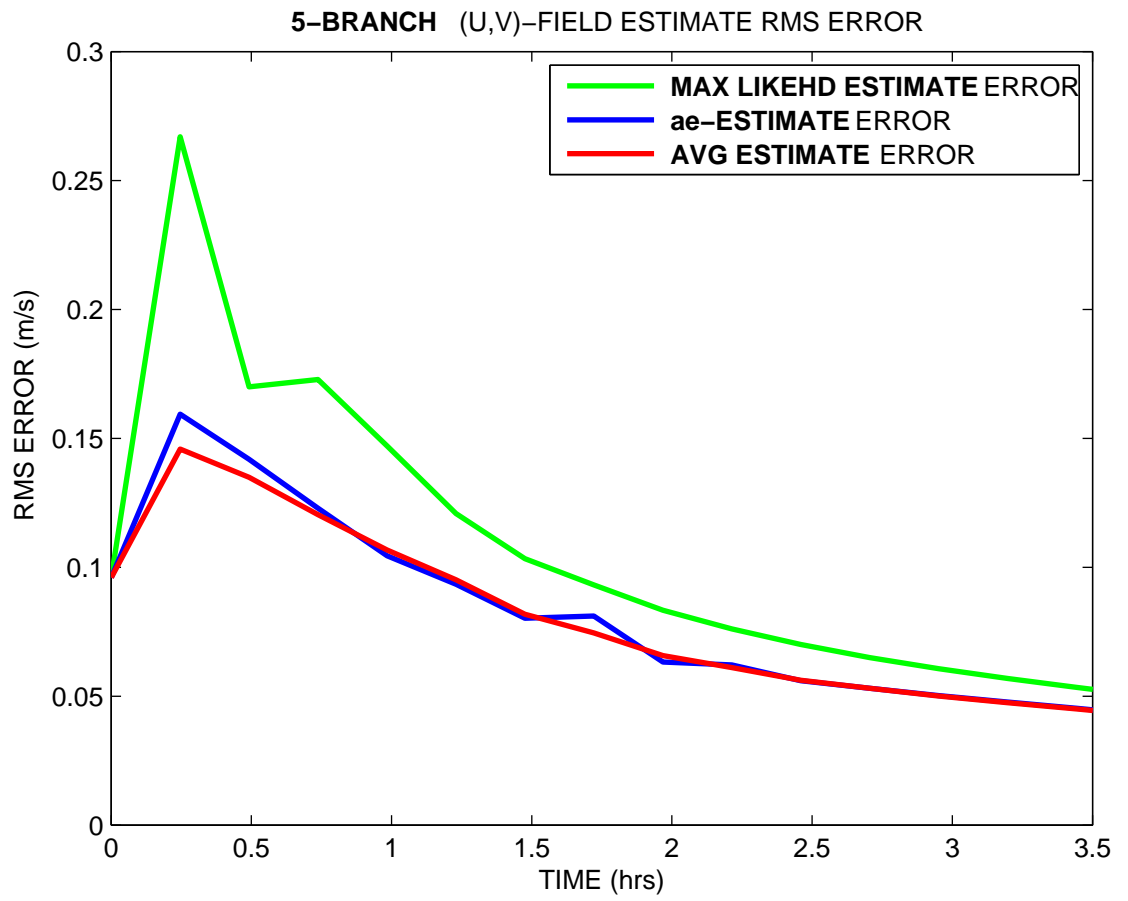


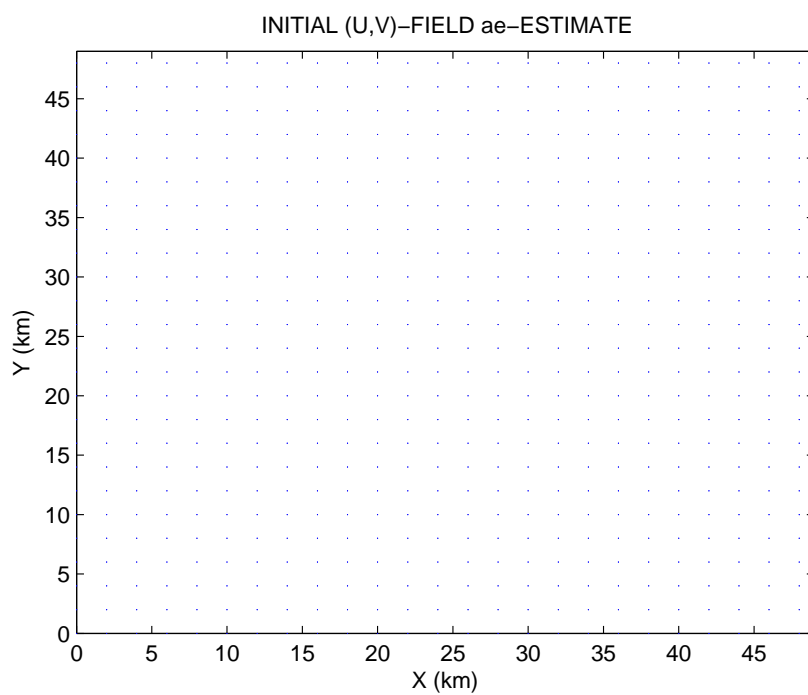
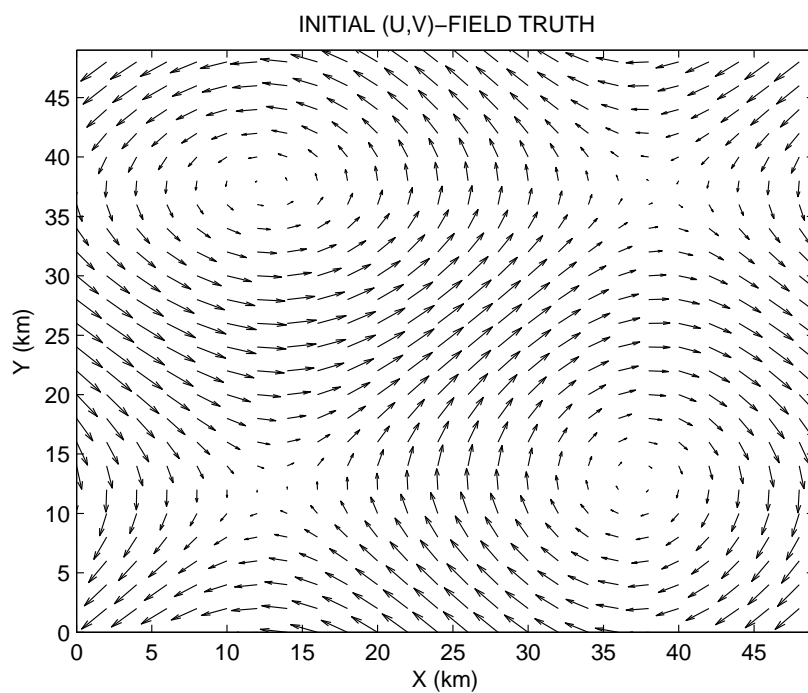
2D periodic rotating shallow water flows with 15 mins long prediction steps on a  $50 \text{ km} \times 50 \text{ km}$  domain covered by a  $50 \times 50$  grid with observation function  $h : \mathbb{R}^{50 \cdot 50} \times \mathbb{R}^{50 \cdot 50} \times \mathbb{R}^{50 \cdot 50} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{50 \cdot 50} \times \mathbb{R}^{50 \cdot 50}$ ,  $h(u, v, \eta) = (u^2 + v^2, \eta)$ , with error  $\epsilon \sim N(0, \text{diag}(10^{-4}))$  (similar results were obtained with 1 hr long prediction steps on a  $70 \times 70$  grid)

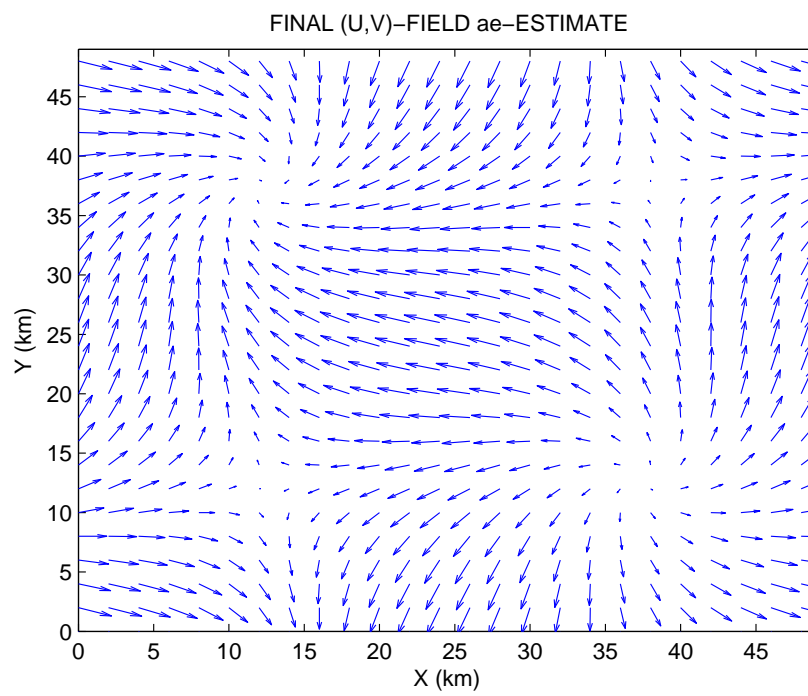
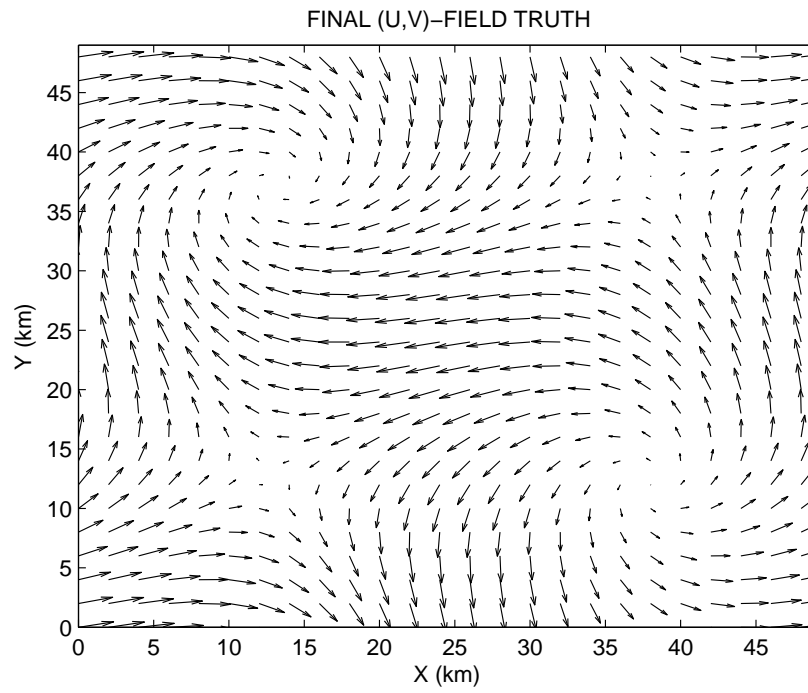
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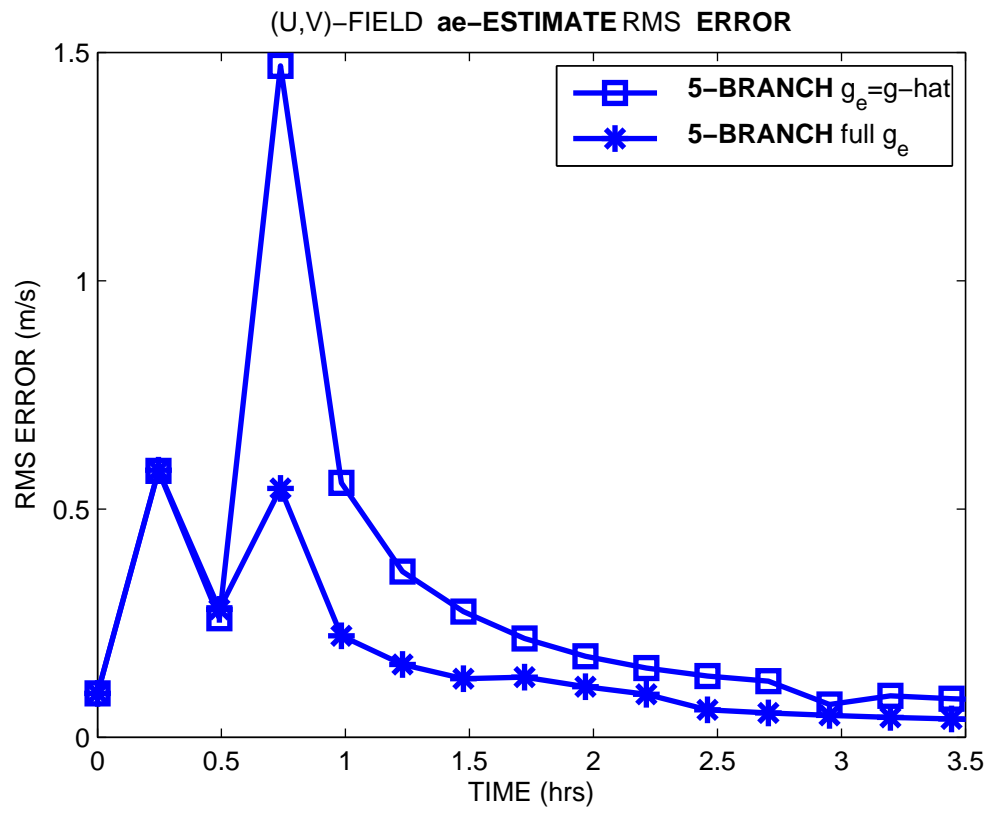
STEP 2: TLM is solved just for the  $u, v$  columns of  $M_t$











## (4) CONCLUSION:

we've got

- NON-GAUSSIAN “**LINEAR**” FILTER
- COST effective? (reduced formula)
- MATH consistent (within settings where the formula applies)
- PHYS consistent (ae-estimate)

THANKS!