



# WITRAN——重塑RNN 在长程时间序列预测上的应用

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# 一、研究背景与意义

## ➤ 时间序列预测的重要性：

➤ 时间序列预测是可用于能源、交通、天气等多个领域的实用工具

## ➤ 长程时间序列预测的重要性：

➤ 与时间序列短程预测相比，长程预测可以便于人们有充足的时间进行准备，并进一步做好决策工作。



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## 二、研究动机

### ➤ 数据的充分性：

- 应有足够长的历史输入数据，以提升预测效果

### ➤ 语义信息的重要性：

- (1) **全局-局部语义信息**：**局部语义信息**通常包含的是序列的**短程变化**，**全局语义信息**通常反映的是序列的**长程趋势**。
- (2) **长期和短期周期性语义信息**：时间序列通常在**不同的时间粒度**上均表现出**重复模式**，例如：小时周期性，天周期性等。

### ➤ 运算的高效性：

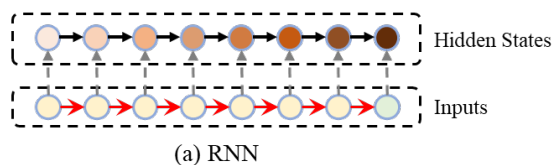
- 在**保证准确率**的同时，**降低复杂度**。



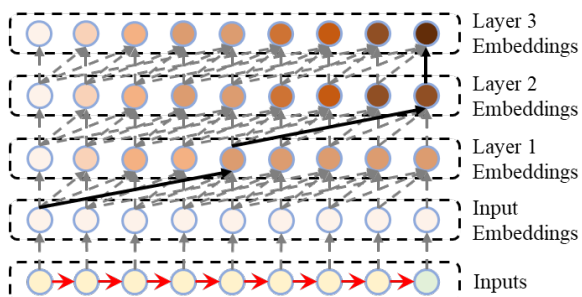
# 三、研究现状

→ Information transmission in time series    - - -> Information transmission in model    → Information transmission in the farthest two input steps in model    □ Convolution kernel    □ Patch

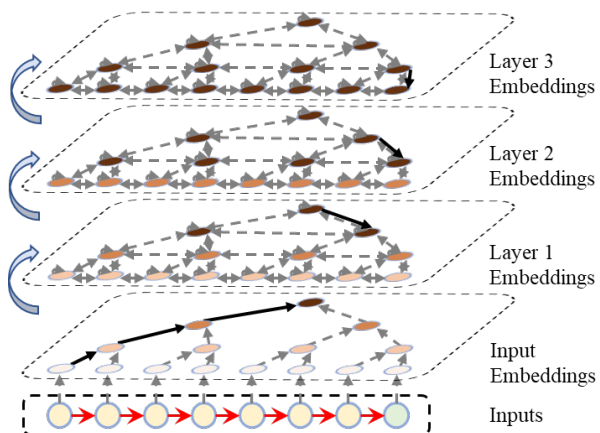
○ Time step input in time series    ○ The last time step input in time series    ○ Zero input in time series    ○ Local information    ○ Global information



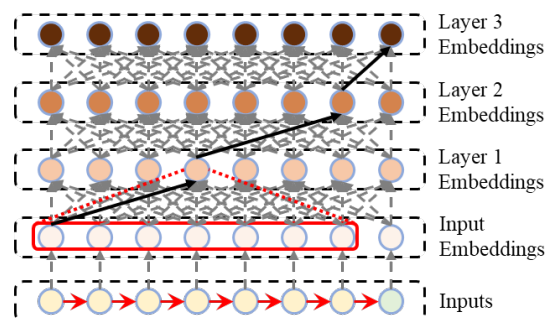
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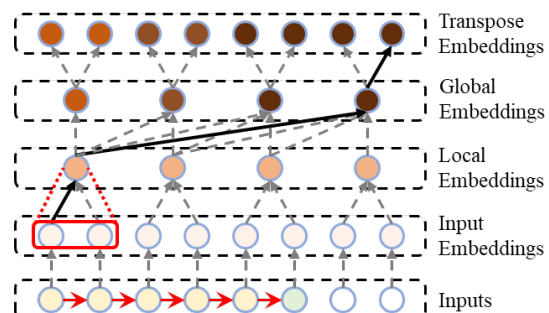
(d) LogTrans



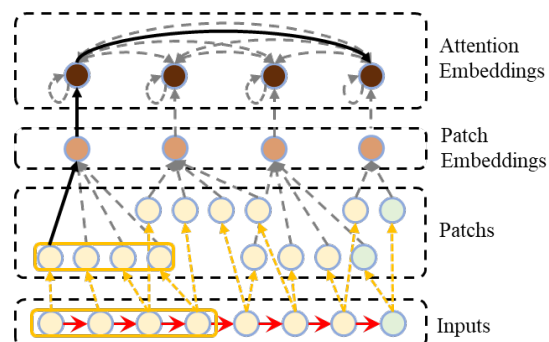
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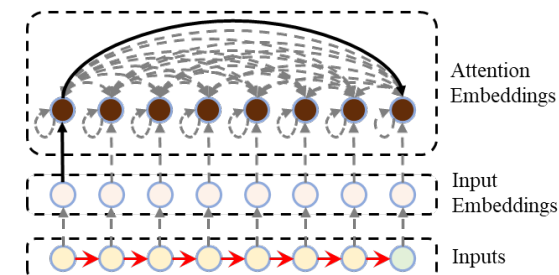
(b) CNN



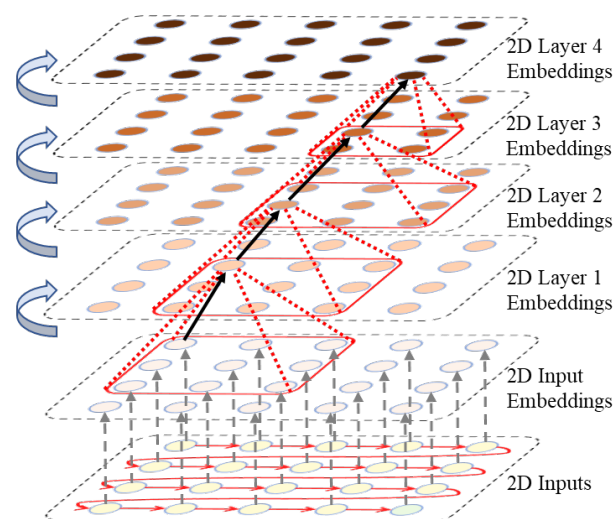
(f) MICN



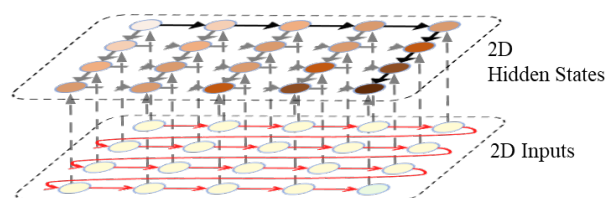
(g) PatchTST



(c) Full Attention



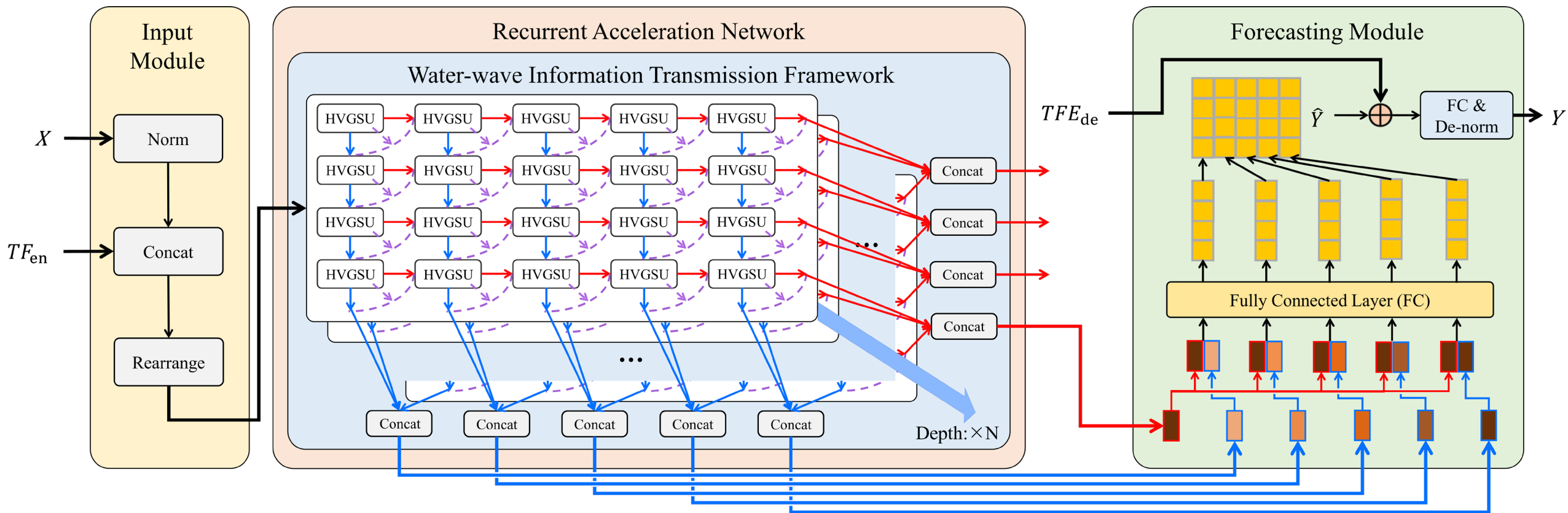
(h) TimesNet



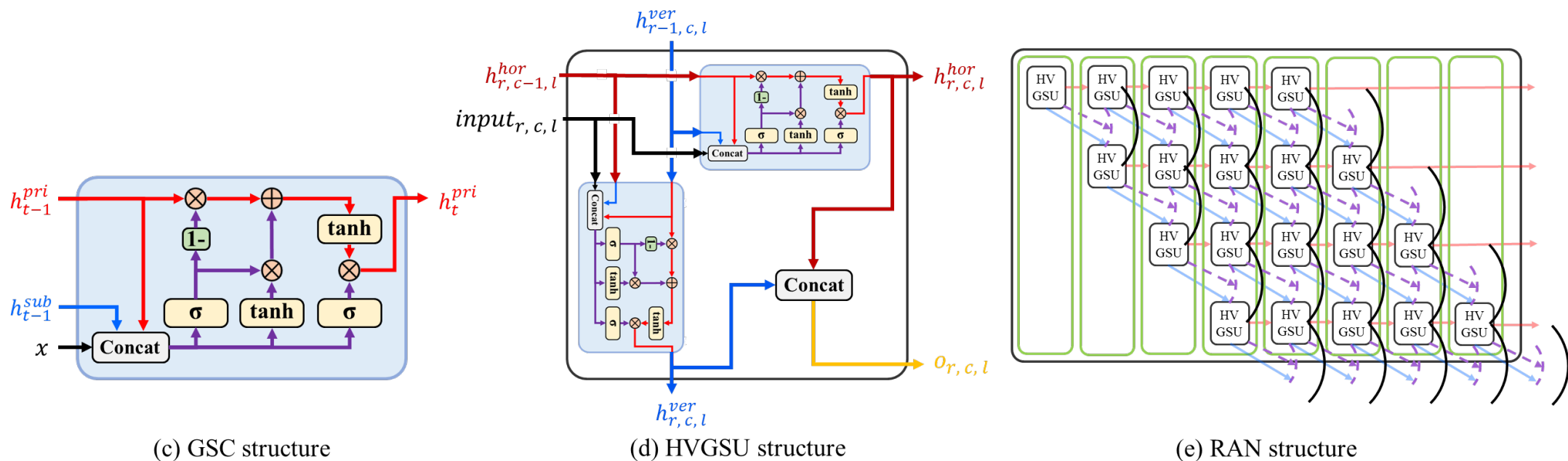
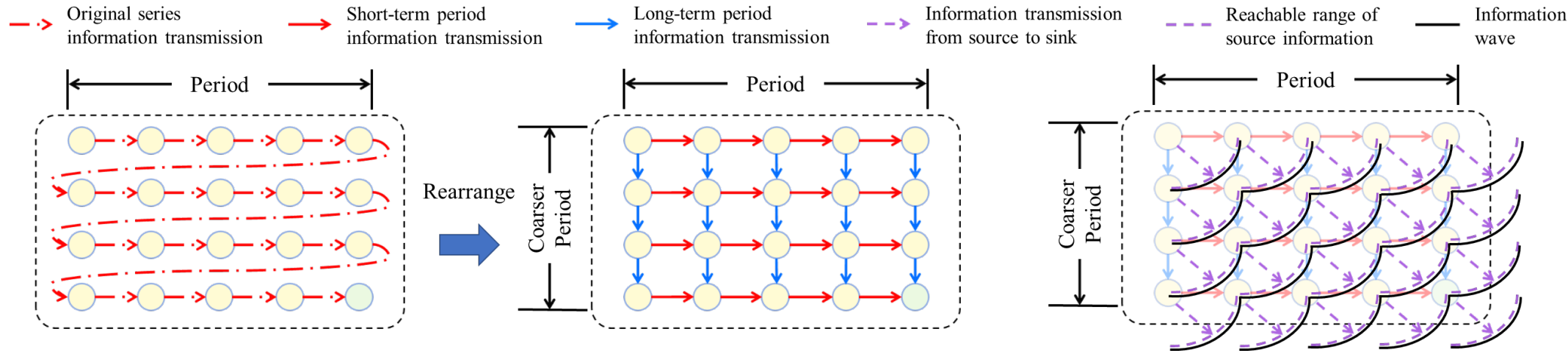
(i) WITRAN (ours)



- **输入：** 以历史 $H$ 个时间步作为模型输入  $X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_H\} \in \mathbb{R}^H \times c_{in}$
- **输出：** 对未来 $P$ 个时间步进行预测  $Y \in \mathbb{R}^P \times c_{out}$



# 四、模型设计





# 五、实验设置

- **数据集：** ECL、traffic、ETTh、Weather
- **划分方式：** 按照时间先后按6:2:2划分训练集、验证集、测试集
- **任务设置：** 长程预测任务、超长程预测任务
- **对比方法：**

为了公平比较每个模型的性能，我们设置了相同的搜索空间，以便于每个模型在各个任务上都能达到最佳性能。

Dataset	Sample Length	Dimension	Usage Frequency	Recorded Frequency
ETTh	17420	8	1h	15min
ECL	26304	322	1h	1h
Traffic	17544	863	1h	1h
Weather	35064	22	1h	10min



## ➤长程序列预测任务：WITRAN较次优方法，MSE上降低**5.803%**

Methods	WITRAN(Ours)		MICN		TimesNet		PatchTST		DLinear		FiLM		FEDformer		Pyraformer		Autoformer		Informer		Transformer		
	Metric	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE		
ECL	168-168	<b>0.2397</b>	<b>0.3519</b>	0.3168	0.4067	0.2825	0.3797	0.2980	0.3832	0.2605	0.3579	<u>0.2587</u>	<u>0.3557</u>	0.3028	0.4020	0.2651	0.3802	0.3496	0.4337	0.3779	0.4594	0.3036	0.4068
	168-336	<b>0.2607</b>	<b>0.3721</b>	<u>0.3002</u>	0.4053	0.3505	0.4253	0.3840	0.4393	0.3080	0.3946	0.3062	<u>0.3922</u>	0.3522	0.4394	0.5392	0.5271	0.4733	0.5120	0.5037	0.5301	0.3583	0.4435
	336-336	<b>0.2517</b>	<b>0.3627</b>	<u>0.3092</u>	0.4132	0.3702	0.4307	0.4377	0.4654	0.2740	0.3720	<u>0.2722</u>	<u>0.3659</u>	0.3378	0.4303	0.2994	0.4030	0.5153	0.5304	0.4591	0.4991	0.5771	0.5643
	336-720	<b>0.3084</b>	<b>0.4055</b>	0.3820	0.4704	0.3879	0.4531	0.5502	0.5438	0.3208	0.4188	<u>0.3171</u>	<u>0.4152</u>	0.3813	0.4634	0.4856	0.5243	0.5045	0.5393	0.6545	0.5975	0.4368	0.4920
	720-720	<b>0.2478</b>	<b>0.3651</b>	0.3463	0.4381	0.3537	0.4386	0.5927	0.5742	0.3203	0.4202	<u>0.3158</u>	<u>0.4154</u>	0.4023	0.4769	<u>0.3115</u>	0.4218	0.9639	0.7520	0.4850	0.5238	0.3992	0.4640
Traffic	168-168	<b>0.1377</b>	<b>0.2051</b>	0.2428	0.3543	<u>0.1490</u>	0.2293	0.1622	0.2320	0.1519	0.2195	0.1501	<u>0.2143</u>	0.2469	0.3479	0.2979	0.3815	0.2378	0.3490	0.3363	0.3994	1.5204	0.9594
	168-336	<b>0.1321</b>	<b>0.2059</b>	0.2401	0.3514	<u>0.1499</u>	0.2356	0.1641	0.2364	0.1468	0.2210	<u>0.1453</u>	<u>0.2165</u>	0.2426	0.3449	0.5838	0.5652	0.2683	0.3803	0.5891	0.5608	0.6953	0.6015
	336-336	<b>0.1306</b>	<b>0.2054</b>	0.2413	0.3549	0.1446	0.2300	0.1546	0.2332	0.1325	0.2114	<u>0.1324</u>	<u>0.2104</u>	0.2339	0.3365	0.4703	0.4964	0.2460	0.3567	0.5447	0.5384	0.8482	0.6424
	336-720	<b>0.1391</b>	<b>0.2175</b>	0.2422	0.3513	0.1584	0.2440	0.1747	0.2536	0.1449	0.2252	<u>0.1438</u>	<u>0.2229</u>	0.2987	0.3976	0.5235	0.5292	0.2849	0.3956	1.2044	0.8254	0.7320	0.6233
	720-720	<u>0.1408</u>	<b>0.2191</b>	0.2552	0.3709	0.1546	0.2410	0.1543	0.2441	0.1410	0.2241	<b>0.1383</b>	<u>0.2208</u>	0.2667	0.3685	0.4811	0.4962	0.2959	0.4045	1.2954	0.9205	1.1963	0.8271
ETTh <sub>1</sub>	168-168	<u>0.1105</u>	<u>0.2589</u>	0.1257	0.2803	0.1133	0.2612	0.1212	0.2704	0.1122	0.2605	<b>0.1091</b>	<b>0.2558</b>	0.1284	0.2826	0.1534	0.3287	0.1318	0.2872	0.1563	0.3299	0.1504	0.3257
	168-336	<u>0.1189</u>	<u>0.2714</u>	0.1422	0.3006	0.1202	0.2732	0.1287	0.2808	0.1251	0.2794	<b>0.1187</b>	<b>0.2708</b>	0.1271	0.2810	0.1665	0.3419	0.1315	0.2878	0.1663	0.3335	0.1599	0.3324
	336-336	<b>0.1112</b>	<b>0.2638</b>	0.1576	0.3159	0.1279	0.2846	0.1496	0.3039	0.1261	0.2803	<u>0.1196</u>	<u>0.2738</u>	0.1252	0.2794	0.1408	0.3087	0.1384	0.2959	0.1648	0.3291	0.1438	0.3121
	336-720	<b>0.1494</b>	<b>0.3092</b>	0.2219	0.3729	<u>0.1501</u>	<u>0.3127</u>	0.2092	0.3659	0.1942	0.3462	<u>0.1793</u>	0.3335	0.1534	0.3178	0.3984	0.5202	0.1928	0.3450	0.1522	0.3203	0.1644	0.3304
	720-720	<b>0.1296</b>	<b>0.2868</b>	0.2959	0.4402	<u>0.1510</u>	0.3118	0.2178	0.3694	0.1920	0.3435	0.1845	0.3379	<u>0.1386</u>	<u>0.2995</u>	0.1563	0.3253	0.2388	0.3869	0.1595	0.3259	0.1730	0.3414
ETTh <sub>2</sub>	168-168	<b>0.2389</b>	<b>0.3813</b>	0.2734	0.4162	0.2655	0.4051	0.2582	0.3983	0.2556	0.3944	<u>0.2546</u>	<u>0.3942</u>	0.2844	0.4285	0.2746	0.4080	0.2903	0.4326	0.3764	0.4863	0.3043	0.4365
	168-336	<b>0.2277</b>	<b>0.3778</b>	0.3017	0.4429	0.2725	0.4163	0.3206	0.4515	0.2891	0.4256	0.2894	0.4263	0.2961	0.4355	<u>0.2392</u>	<u>0.3834</u>	0.4447	0.4964	0.3364	0.4583	0.3662	0.4671
	336-336	<b>0.2432</b>	<b>0.3922</b>	0.3472	0.4796	0.3184	0.4431	0.3559	0.4779	0.2950	0.4329	0.2951	0.4347	0.2884	0.4314	<u>0.2610</u>	<u>0.4010</u>	0.2805	0.4255	0.3709	0.4785	0.3218	0.4412
	336-720	<u>0.2373</u>	<u>0.3888</u>	0.4248	0.5268	0.2858	0.4253	0.4936	0.5592	0.4125	0.5136	0.4158	0.5162	0.3425	0.4656	<b>0.2341</b>	<b>0.3818</b>	0.3372	0.4625	0.3572	0.4675	0.3582	0.4629
	720-720	<b>0.2635</b>	<b>0.4018</b>	0.3549	0.4805	0.2936	0.4238	0.5243	0.5745	0.3495	0.4749	0.4045	0.5105	0.3275	0.4534	<u>0.2795</u>	<u>0.4151</u>	0.4668	0.5477	0.3585	0.4699	0.3087	0.4320
Weather	168-168	<b>0.2050</b>	<b>0.3338</b>	0.2231	0.3489	0.2420	0.3608	0.2469	0.3597	0.2421	0.3578	0.2426	0.3544	0.2583	0.3774	<u>0.2144</u>	<u>0.3451</u>	0.2670	0.3813	0.2639	0.3926	0.2200	0.3438
	168-336	<b>0.2197</b>	<b>0.3470</b>	0.2663	0.3837	0.2821	0.3885	0.3040	0.4049	0.2918	0.3975	0.2981	0.3988	0.2909	0.4030	<u>0.2594</u>	0.3833	0.2990	0.4096	0.2798	0.4061	<u>0.2230</u>	<u>0.3488</u>
	336-336	<b>0.2163</b>	<b>0.3482</b>	0.2701	0.3804	0.2684	0.3752	0.3149	0.4145	0.2905	0.3969	0.2943	0.3969	0.2791	0.3984	0.2310	0.3591	0.3066	0.4162	0.2898	0.4129	<u>0.2308</u>	<u>0.3556</u>
	336-720	<b>0.2054</b>	<b>0.3424</b>	0.3086	0.4138	0.2930	0.4045	0.4358	0.4937	0.3897	0.4739	0.4096	0.4767	0.2648	0.3915	0.3241	0.4300	0.3468	0.4592	0.2483	0.3778	<u>0.2334</u>	<u>0.3570</u>
	720-720	<b>0.2008</b>	<b>0.3417</b>	0.2828	0.3969	0.2967	0.4070	0.5701	0.5491	0.3724	0.4614	0.3999	0.4661	0.2416	0.3728	<u>0.2378</u>	<u>0.3684</u>	0.4309	0.5085	0.3545	0.4569	0.2463	0.3722





# 六、实验设置

➤ 超长程序列预测任务：WITRAN较次优方法，MSE上降低**14.275%**

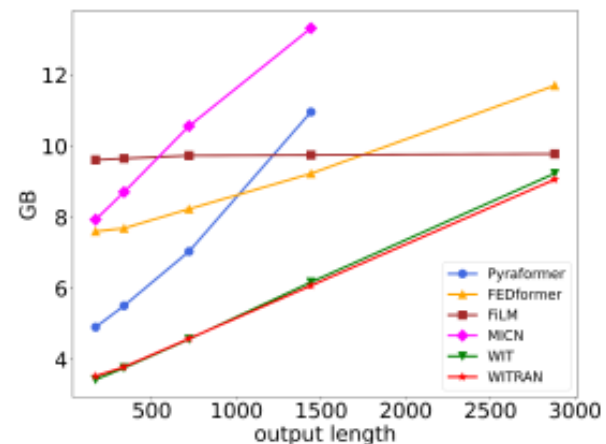
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	Metric	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE
ECL	720-1440	<b>0.2499</b>	<b>0.3727</b>	1.0460	0.7765	0.6119	0.5962	0.8243	0.6704	0.4923	0.5473	<u>0.4730</u>	<u>0.5336</u>	0.4833	0.5393	0.3250	0.4332	1.4957	0.9533	0.5064	0.5317	0.4030	0.4797
	1440-1440	<b>0.2408</b>	<b>0.3680</b>	2.2862	1.2207	0.5720	0.5712	0.9053	0.7328	0.5146	0.5615	<u>0.4849</u>	<u>0.5429</u>	0.5142	0.5571	0.4895	<u>0.5280</u>	1.7873	1.0283	0.7247	0.6292	0.5531	0.5524
	1440-2880	<b>0.3359</b>	<b>0.4383</b>	2.8936	1.3717	0.7683	0.6846	1.1282	0.8087	0.8355	0.7193	<u>0.6847</u>	<u>0.6493</u>	3.9018	1.5276	<u>0.4320</u>	<u>0.5161</u>	1.2867	0.8878	0.6152	0.5953	0.5243	0.5460
Traffic	720-1440	0.1672	0.2449	0.2876	0.3916	0.1882	0.2656	0.1904	0.2685	<u>0.1639</u>	<b>0.2412</b>	<b>0.1638</b>	<u>0.2448</u>	0.2753	0.3650	0.4463	0.4609	0.3104	0.4095	0.7614	0.6469	0.9876	0.7445
	1440-1440	<b>0.1543</b>	<b>0.2325</b>	0.2950	0.3923	<u>0.1598</u>	<u>0.2388</u>	0.1817	0.2764	<u>0.1599</u>	0.2411	0.1602	<u>0.2437</u>	0.2848	0.3681	0.4710	0.4916	0.2970	0.3999	0.7375	0.6414	0.7430	0.6492
	1440-2880	<b>0.1425</b>	<b>0.2333</b>	0.2823	0.3874	<u>0.1560</u>	<u>0.2409</u>	0.2029	0.3100	<u>0.1550</u>	0.2472	0.1744	0.2693	0.2952	0.3844	0.5165	0.5305	0.3035	0.3982	0.9849	0.7618	0.6000	0.5877
ETTh <sub>1</sub>	720-1440	<b>0.1331</b>	<b>0.2943</b>	0.4640	0.5836	0.1391	<u>0.3049</u>	0.3708	0.4906	0.2952	0.4370	0.2949	0.4388	0.1768	0.3409	0.1666	0.3315	0.3298	0.4741	<u>0.1378</u>	0.3051	0.1905	0.3555
	1440-1440	<b>0.1304</b>	<b>0.2902</b>	0.5650	0.6293	0.1801	0.3372	0.4475	0.5329	0.2200	0.3714	0.2294	0.3759	0.3574	0.4878	0.3487	0.4866	0.4531	0.5507	<u>0.1430</u>	<u>0.3156</u>	0.1972	0.3630
	1440-2880	<b>0.1850</b>	<b>0.3452</b>	0.7591	0.7215	<u>0.2732</u>	<u>0.4094</u>	0.9617	0.8271	0.3773	0.4794	0.6834	0.7096	0.4269	0.5252	0.5857	0.6760	1.3566	0.9235	0.3177	0.4733	0.3495	0.4911
ETTh <sub>2</sub>	720-1440	<b>0.2915</b>	<b>0.4289</b>	0.4922	0.5649	0.4186	0.5092	0.9401	0.7680	0.5037	0.5645	0.7166	0.6628	0.3731	0.4827	<u>0.2952</u>	<u>0.4336</u>	0.5633	0.5996	0.4025	0.4991	0.3712	0.4805
	1440-1440	<b>0.2815</b>	<b>0.4220</b>	0.5030	0.5644	0.4409	0.5218	0.7860	0.6704	0.5176	0.5734	0.7446	0.6590	0.3906	0.4951	<u>0.2946</u>	<u>0.4316</u>	0.8029	0.7140	0.3484	0.4786	0.3797	0.4818
	1440-2880	<b>0.3280</b>	0.4585	0.5549	0.5886	1.5304	0.9026	2.0561	1.1595	0.5053	0.5584	3.2835	1.6030	1.7167	0.9698	<u>0.3345</u>	<u>0.4544</u>	4.1031	1.7198	<u>0.3335</u>	<b>0.4482</b>	0.3737	0.4787
Weather	720-1440	<b>0.1872</b>	<b>0.3312</b>	0.3999	0.4848	0.2407	0.3694	0.5453	0.5631	0.4406	0.5264	0.6360	0.5997	0.2352	0.3733	0.6810	0.6352	0.8599	0.7064	0.2466	0.3849	<u>0.2188</u>	<u>0.3512</u>
	1440-1440	<b>0.1907</b>	<b>0.3366</b>	0.2873	0.4201	0.2869	0.4033	0.5371	0.5559	0.3147	0.4417	0.6002	0.5880	<u>0.2226</u>	<u>0.3609</u>	0.2401	0.3777	0.9766	0.7739	0.2556	0.3969	0.2610	0.3823
	1440-2880	<b>0.1769</b>	<b>0.3257</b>	0.3570	0.4810	0.2199	0.3563	0.9061	0.7220	0.3197	0.4533	1.2605	0.8805	0.2138	0.3599	<u>0.1852</u>	<u>0.3332</u>	1.7465	1.0962	0.2126	0.3600	0.1993	0.3436

## 实际运行速度和空间占用

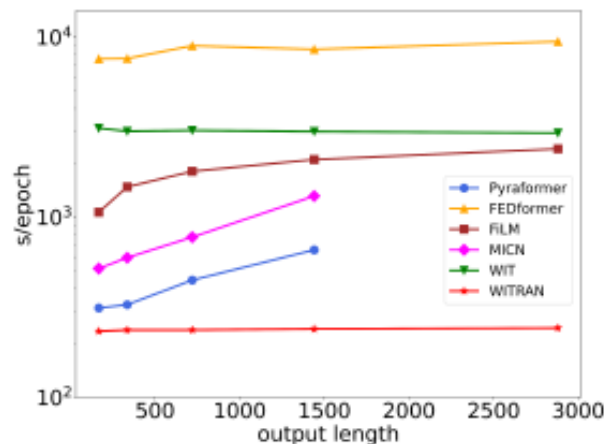
方法	Pyraformer	FEDformer	FiLM	MICN	WITRAN
时间复杂度	$O(L)$	$O(L)$	$O(L)$	$O(L)$	$O(\sqrt{L})$
空间复杂度	$O(L)$	$O(L)$	$O(L)$	$O(L)$	$O(L)$

输入固定为720，改变输出长度

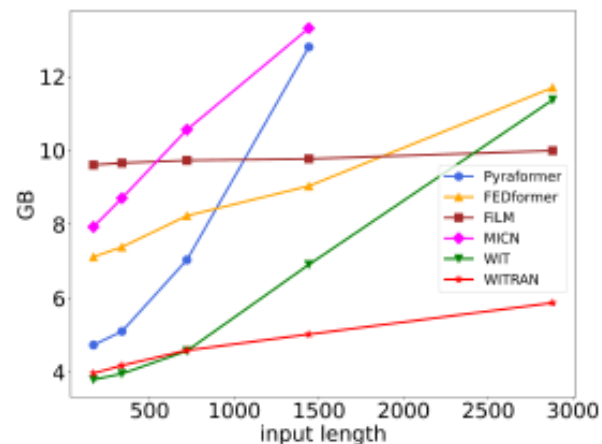
输出固定为720，改变输入长度



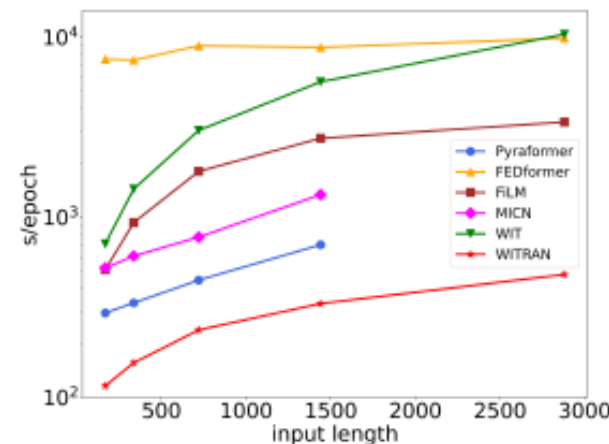
(a) Memory consumption (input length is fixed as 720)



(b) Time consumption (input length is fixed as 720)



(c) Memory consumption (output length is fixed as 720)



(d) Time consumption (output length is fixed as 720)



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## ➤ 数据的充分性:

➤ WITRAN证明了，将**更长的历史输入**数据利用好，是**可以提升预测效果**的

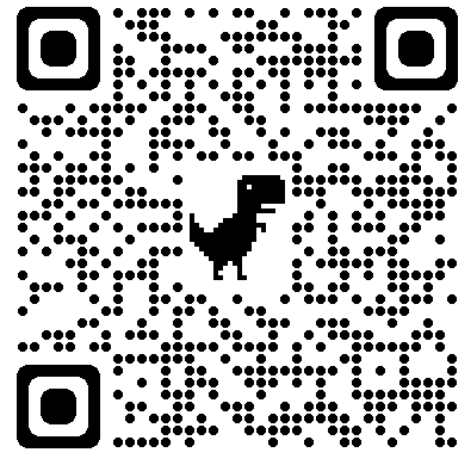
## ➤ 语义信息的重要性:

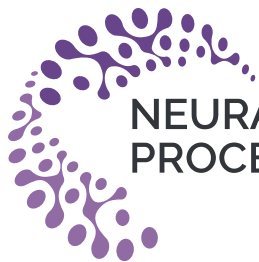
➤ WITRAN作为一种全新的信息传递范式，可以**同时捕获全局-局部语义信息**和**长期-短期周期性语义信息**，从而**提升预测效果**

## ➤ 运算的高效性:

➤ RAN在保持 **$O(L)$  空间复杂度**的同时，将**时间复杂度降为 $O(\sqrt{L})$** 。

**WITRAN作为一种RNN的全新变体，  
重塑了RNN在长程时间序列预测上的应用！**





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Code: <https://github.com/Water2sea/WITRAN>

