

# Exploring the Benefits of Machine Learning

*Improving Stormflow Predictions using Long Short-Term Memory Networks*

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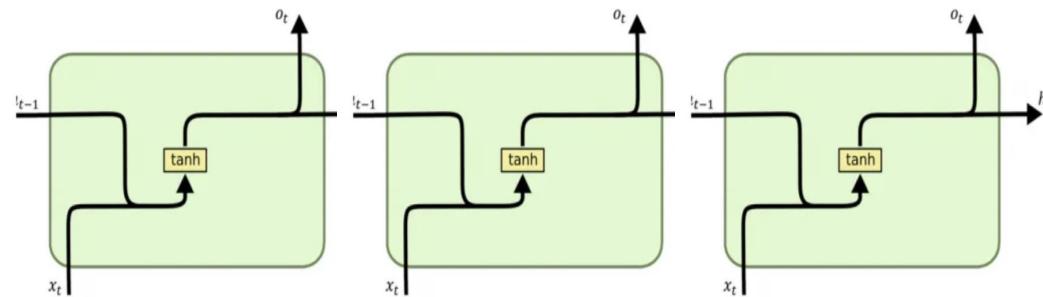
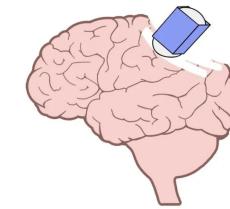
# Recurrent Neural Networks (RNN)



- David Rumelhart, 1988
- (Artificial) Neural Network ((A)NN) modeling sequence data
- Layers: input, hidden (memory), output
- POOR LONG TERM MEMORY

## Training Steps

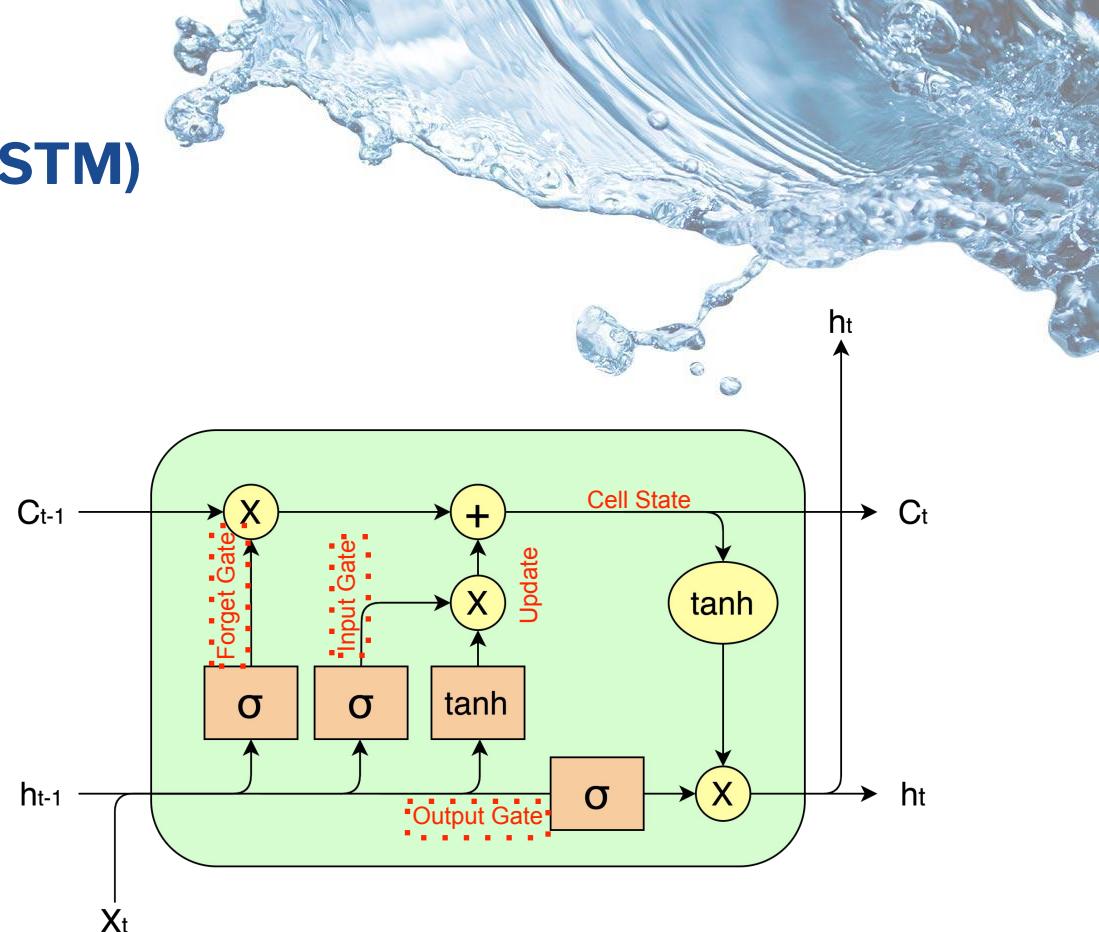
1. Forward pass to make prediction
2. Performance check
3. Back propagate to determine weights



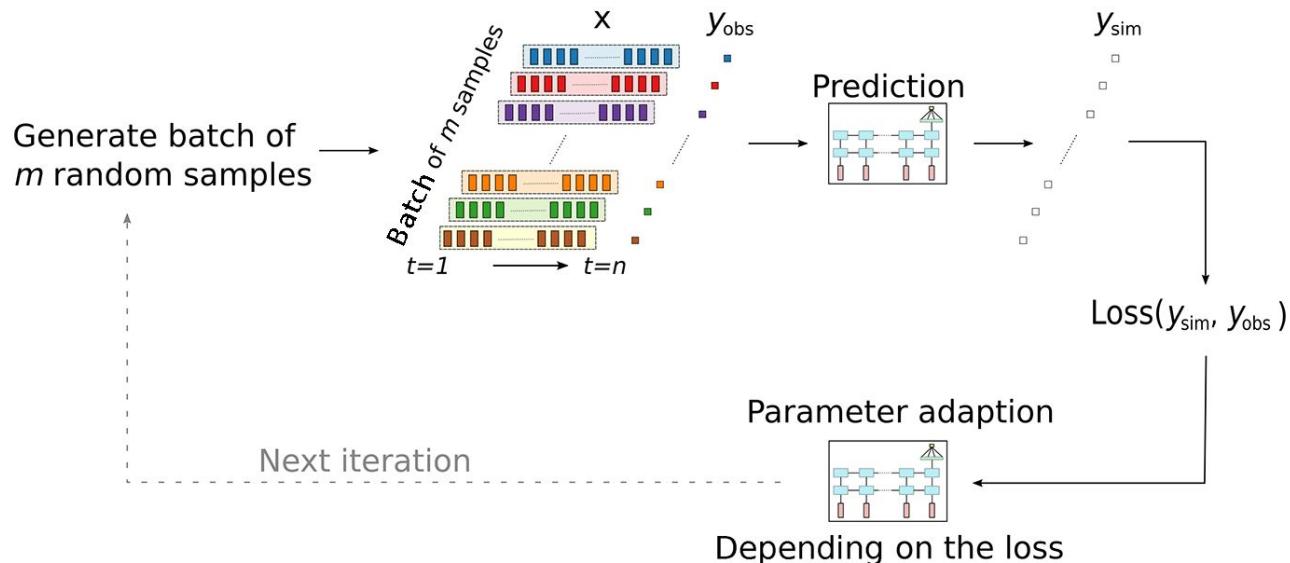
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# Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM)

- Hochreiter and Schmidhuber, 1997
- RNN + Cell State
- Flow of information is managed by *gates* to determine data relevancy
- Gates: Forget, Input & Output
- Note: both hidden & input layers (data) passed to *all* gates
- Recall: sigmoid (0,1)
- Cell state maintains info from *entire* sequence, hence...
- Long-term memory (e.g. snow)



# LSTM Training



Kratzert, F., Klotz, D., Brenner, C., Schulz, K., and Herrnegger, M.: Rainfall-runoff modelling using Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) networks, *Hydrol. Earth Syst. Sci.*, 22, 6005–6022, <https://doi.org/10.5194/hess-22-6005-2018>, 2018.

# Neural Hydrology

- Python library: train neural networks with emphasis on hydrological science & methods
- PyTorch: optimized tensor library for deep learning
- User def's configurations; I.e. no code manipulation
  - datasets
  - model design
  - training components

GitHub: <https://github.com/neuralhydrology/neuralhydrology>

Wiki: <https://neuralhydrology.github.io/>

Docs: [neuralhydrology.readthedocs.io/](https://neuralhydrology.readthedocs.io/)

Tutorials: <https://neuralhydrology.readthedocs.io/en/latest/tutorials>

Frederik Kratzert: [kratzert.github.io](https://kratzert.github.io)



# What is BMI

**Basic Model Interface:** A set of essential, “self-describing”, functions used to **control** (e.g. advance-of-time) & **access** (i.e. query) the state of a model



Developed by: Community Surface Dynamics Modeling System (CSDMS)

## Models & Modules

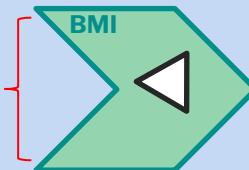


Modularize >> Single Uniform  
Self-contained  
Varies in:

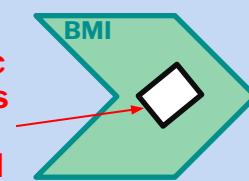
Languages  
Units  
Variable Naming

## Extended to BMI

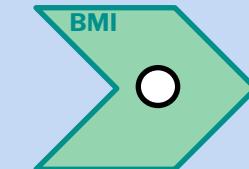
Model code  
is “wrapped”  
in BMI



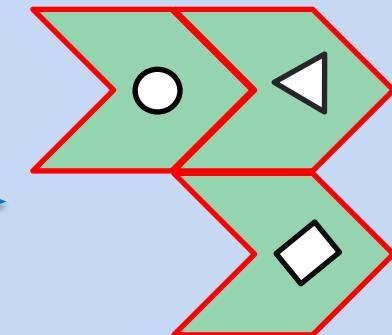
Hydrologic  
predictions  
remain  
untouched



Exchange  
items are  
standardized



## Model-coupling Framework



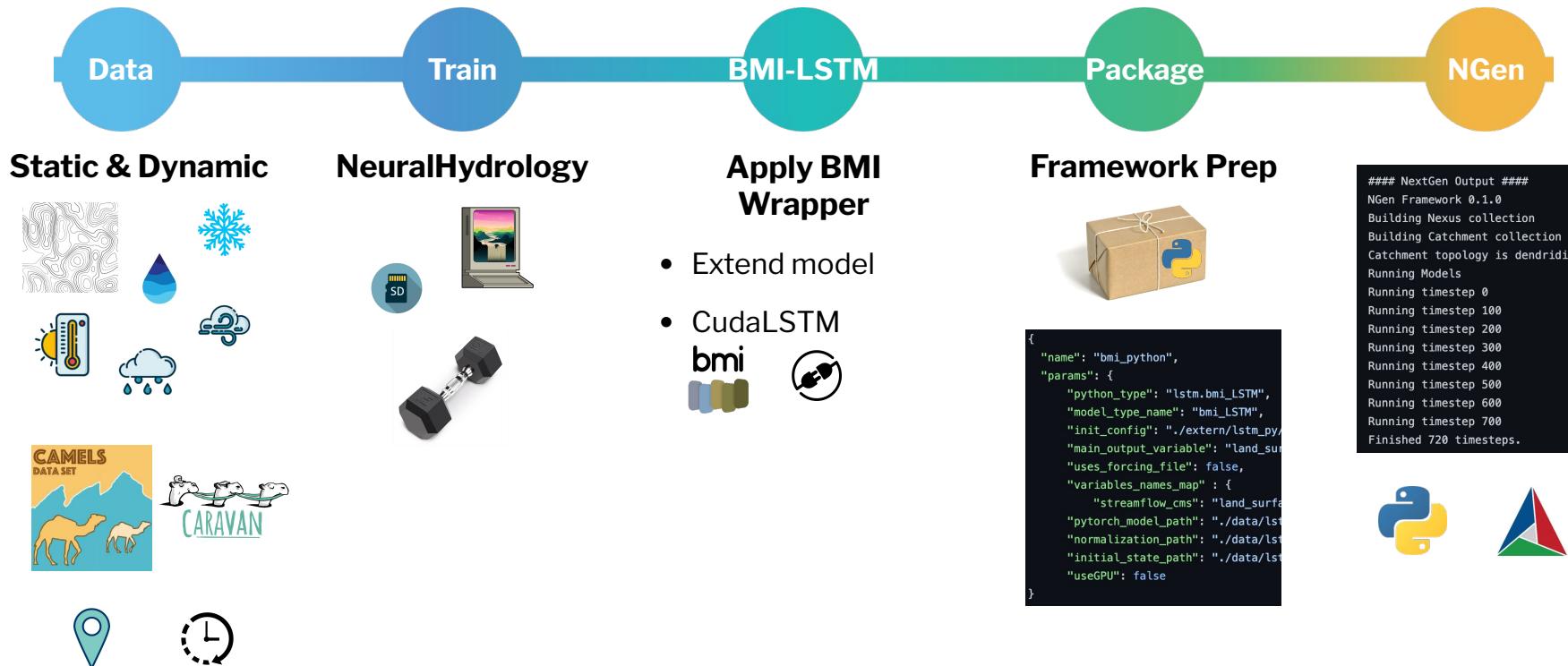
Plug-&-play



Exchange of  
information

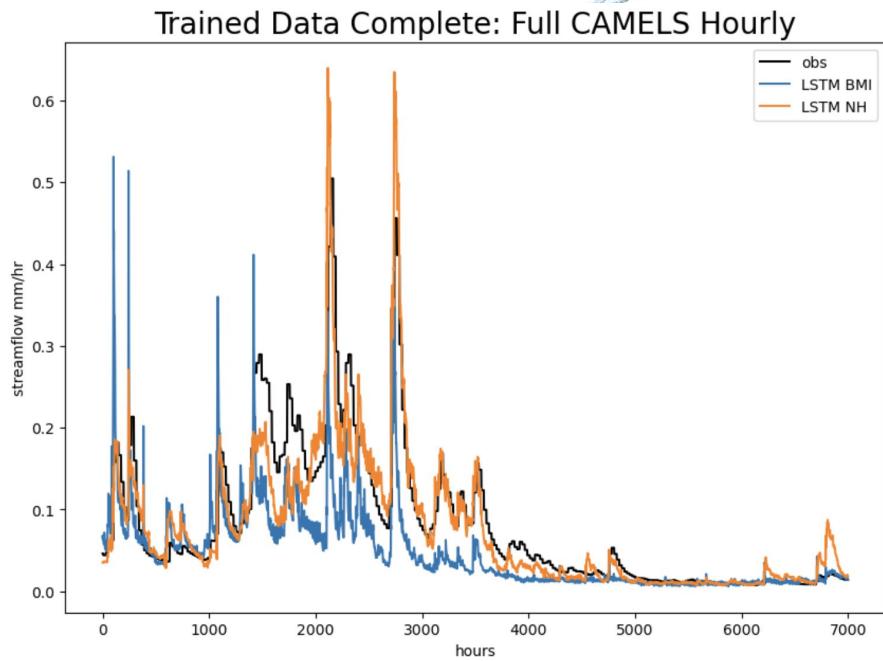
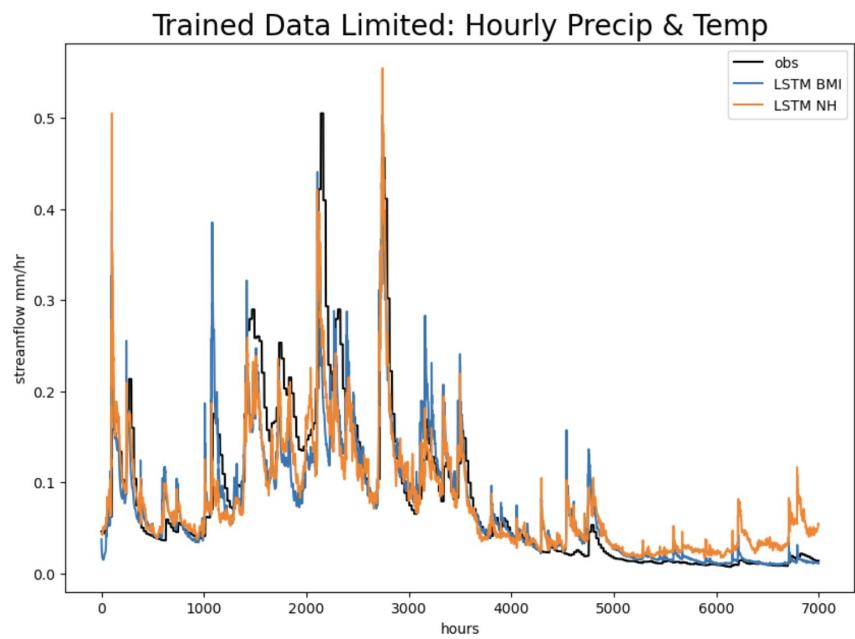
Extendable to  
external APIs

# Workflow

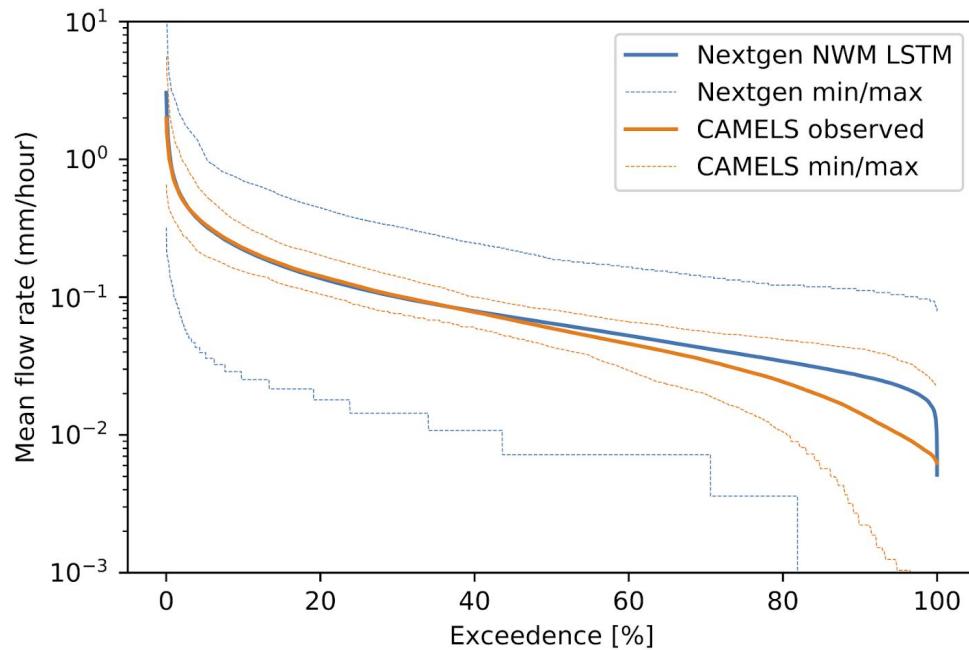
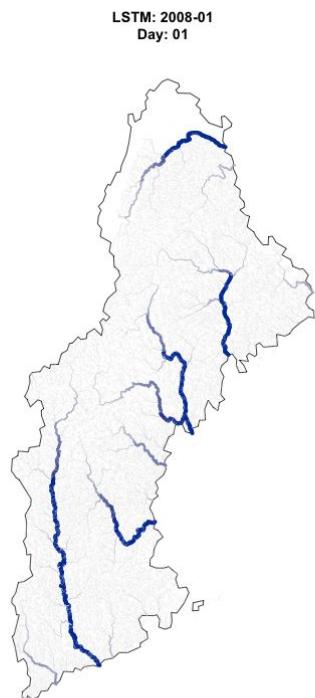


# Sample Output

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# Sample Output: NGen



*Animation and graphics thanks to Nels Frasier and Jonathon Frame*



# Next Steps

## Training Data

- Updated Hydrofabric
- Varying inputs
- Multiple sources
- Time intervals
- Use different loss function(s)

```
dataset: hourly_camels_us
dynamic_inputs:
- total_precipitation
- temperature
epochs: 9
forcings: nldas_hourly
loss: NSE
metrics:
- NSE
- KGE
- Alpha-NSE
- Beta-NSE
model: cudalstm
static_attributes:
- elev_mean
- slope_mean
train_end_date: 30/09/2018
train_start_date: 01/10/1980
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### Model Classes

- BaseModel
- ARLSTM
- CudaLSTM
- CustomLSTM
- EA-LSTM
- EmbCudaLSTM
- GRU
- MC-LSTM
- MTS-LSTM
- ODE-LSTM

## Model, etc.

- Merge of conceptual based models
- Explore other model classes;
  - CudaLSTM is most standard
  - CustomLSTM
- Backwards formulation
- Extreme events

# References

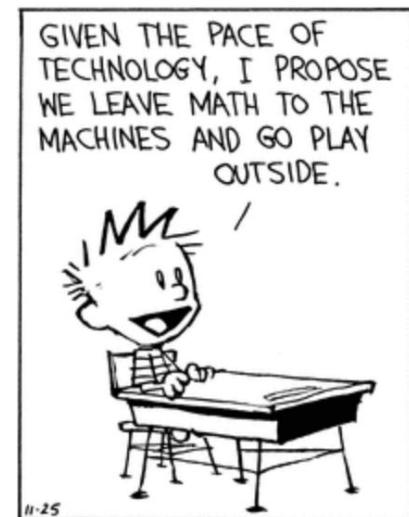
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