

| Steps   | Objectives and Action Items   |
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| <b>Step 1</b><br><b>Multimodal Data Integration</b> | <p><b>Objective:</b> Collect and integrate data for PCF modeling.</p> <p><i>Gather field measurements (ALT, CH4, CO2), integrate high-resolution remote sensing data (UAVSAR, AVIRIS-NG), incorporate outputs from process-based models (SIBBORK-TTE, TCFM-Arctic), and reconcile data into a unified framework.</i></p>                                  |
| <b>Step 2</b><br><b>Data Preprocessing</b>          | <p><b>Objective:</b> Prepare data for GeoCryoAI framework.</p> <p><i>Apply dimensionality reduction to handle high-dimensional data, resample and scale data to a common grid resolution (i.e., 1 km), and address spatial and temporal disparities using specialized scaling laws and diagnostic statistical testing.</i></p>                            |
| <b>Step 3</b><br><b>GeoCryoAI Development</b>       | <p><b>Objective:</b> Simulate the PCF using GeoCryoAI.</p> <p><i>Employ a hybridized ensemble learning framework combining convolutional layers with LSTM-RNNs, integrate process-constrained learning to ensure physical accuracy, and use optimization techniques like Bayesian Optimization and regularization methods to fine-tune the model.</i></p> |
| <b>Step 4</b><br><b>GeoCryoAI Training</b>          | <p><b>Objective:</b> Model training and validation.</p> <p><i>Use teacher forcing to accelerate learning, incorporate time-lagged inputs and outputs to capture temporal dynamics, and validate model performance using RMSE and inverse transformations.</i></p>   |
| <b>Step 5</b><br><b>GeoCryoAI Forecasting</b>       | <p><b>Objective:</b> Predict future states of the PCF with GeoCryoAI.</p> <p><i>Generate spatiotemporal forecasts for ALT, CH4, and CO2 fluxes, and capture both gradual and abrupt changes in the permafrost carbon system.</i></p>  |
| <b>Step 6</b><br><b>Data Post-processing</b>        | <p><b>Objective:</b> Analyze and interpret model predictions.</p> <p><i>Perform error analysis to quantify uncertainty, leverage ecological memory for long-term predictions, and visualize results for stakeholder communication.</i></p>  |

**Table 1.** The pre-processing, GeoCryoAI architecture, and post-processing elements of the methodology are delineated in the table above. It illustrates a step-by-step approach briefly describing the primary functions, objectives, and action items of the workflow.