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Observers Using Synchronization of Reservoir Computing Surrogates

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Accomplishments

- Students

- Adrian Wong (me) – Dec 2022 PhD in Physics @ UCSD
 - 2 year COVID induced deferment
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 - Current intern and candidate for our NRC postdoc

Data-Driven Surrogate w/ Reservoir Computing

- Reservoir Computing

~ anything goes

- Yet another data-driven/machine-learning method
- Recurrent Neural Network (RNN) with assigned weights but linear readout
- Generally restricted to time series, and shares the same “time” axis

- Umbrella of Echo State Networks and Liquid State Machines

- ESN: Herbert Jaeger (circa 2001)

~ sigmoid, discrete time

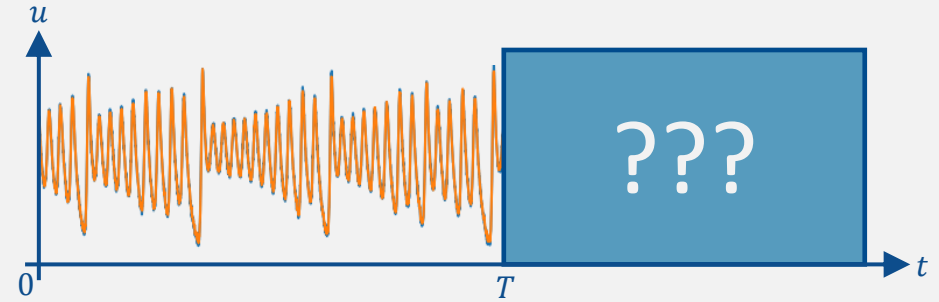
- LSM: W. Maass, T. Natschlager, H. Markram (circa 2002)

~ spiking, cont. time

Reservoir Computing

- Surprising efficacy in predicting chaotic systems
 - Pathak et. al. 2017 (Edward Ott, Brian Hunt)
 - Up to 12 Lyapunov times (time scale of exponential growth of small perturbations)
- Not just “best in class[†]” predictor* – “state of the art predictor*”
 - [†]model-free methods, i.e. GRU-LSTM and NVAR (Shaha, Fenton, Cherry 2022)
 - NVAR are equivalent to a variant of RC
 - *in low dimensional chaotic systems
- Theoretical/Mathematical work is catching up
 - Recently – many works of Grigoryeva, Ortega, and/or Hart

Problem Description



- **Setup:**

- Given some time series data $u(0 < t < T)$, predict $u(t > T)$
- u not necessarily state variable(s), nor fully span state space
- No access to model $u_{t+1} = f(u_t)$

- **Solution:**

- Use black-box predictive model (Reservoir Computing)

$$x_{t+1} = \sigma(Ax_t + Bu_t)$$

$$z_t = Wx_t + b$$

Assigned

Trained

Internal States	$x = \{x_t\}, \quad x_t \in \mathbb{R}^{N=300}$
Driving/Input Signal	$u = \{u_t\}, \quad u_t \in \mathbb{R}^{M=3}$
Activation	$\sigma : \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$ (<i>sigmoid</i>)
Connectivity	$A \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$ (<i>sparse</i>)
“Gain”/“Input Layer”	$B \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M}$
Readout Weights	$W \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times N}$
Readout Bias	$b \in \mathbb{R}^M$
Network Output	$z = \{z_t\}, \quad z_t \in \mathbb{R}^M$

Description of Method

1. Randomly generate sparse $A: \rho(A) \sim 0.9 < 1$, $\sim 2\%$ non-zero
2. Randomly generate B
3. Activation $\sigma = \tanh$

Setup

4. Evaluate $r_{t+1} = \sigma(Ar_t + Bx_t)$ for $0 < t < T$

Listen

5. Linear least squares for (W, b) s.t. $\sum_t \|Wr_t + b - x_t\| \simeq 0$

Train

6. Substitute $x_t = Wr_t + b$ into $r_{t+1} = \sigma(Ar_t + Bx_t)$

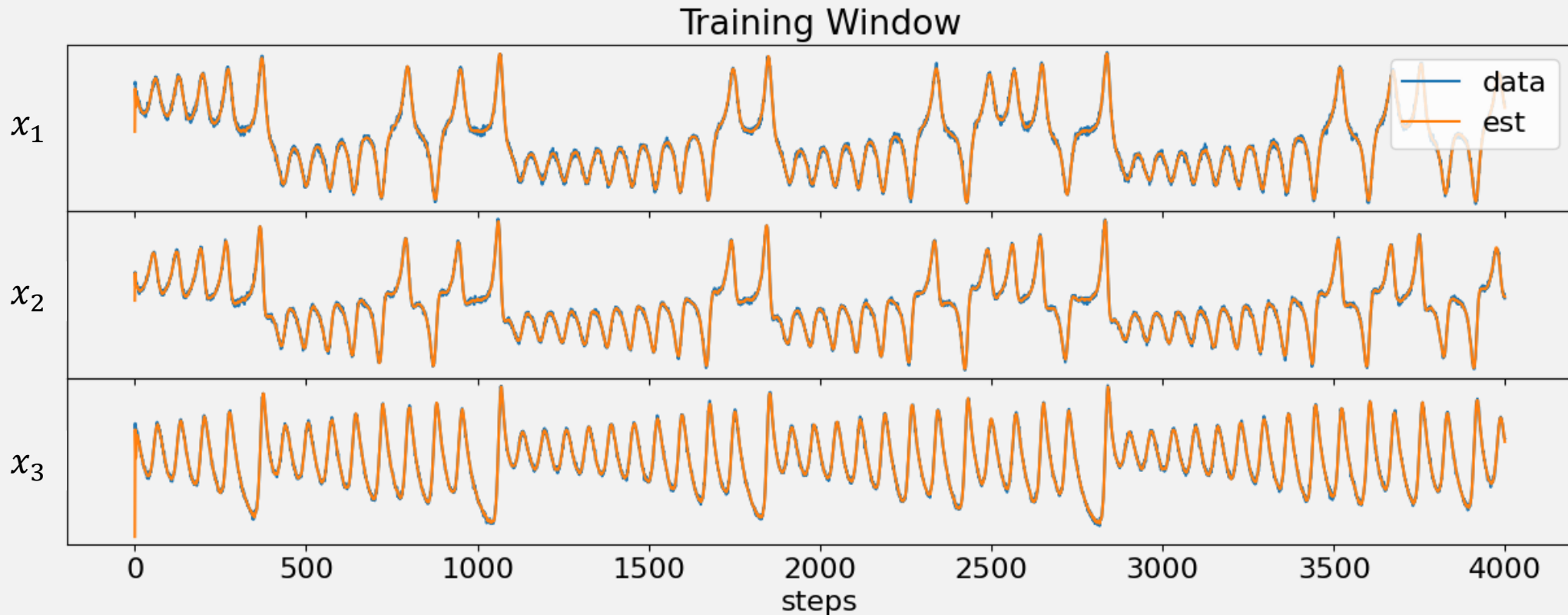
7. Evaluate $r_{t+1} = \sigma([A + BW]r_t + Bb)$ for $t > T$

Predict

8. Readout $z_t = Wr_t + b$

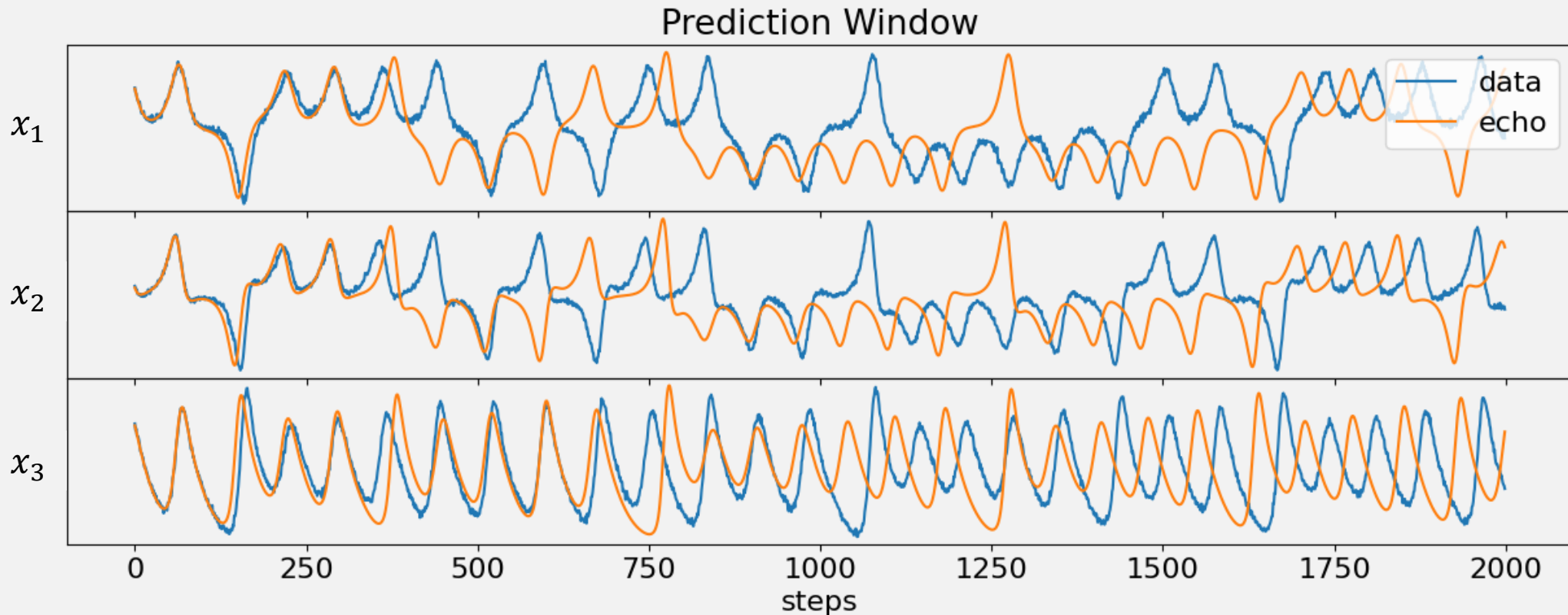
Universal Approximation

Fit Quality ($0 < t < 4000$) ($T = 10^5$)



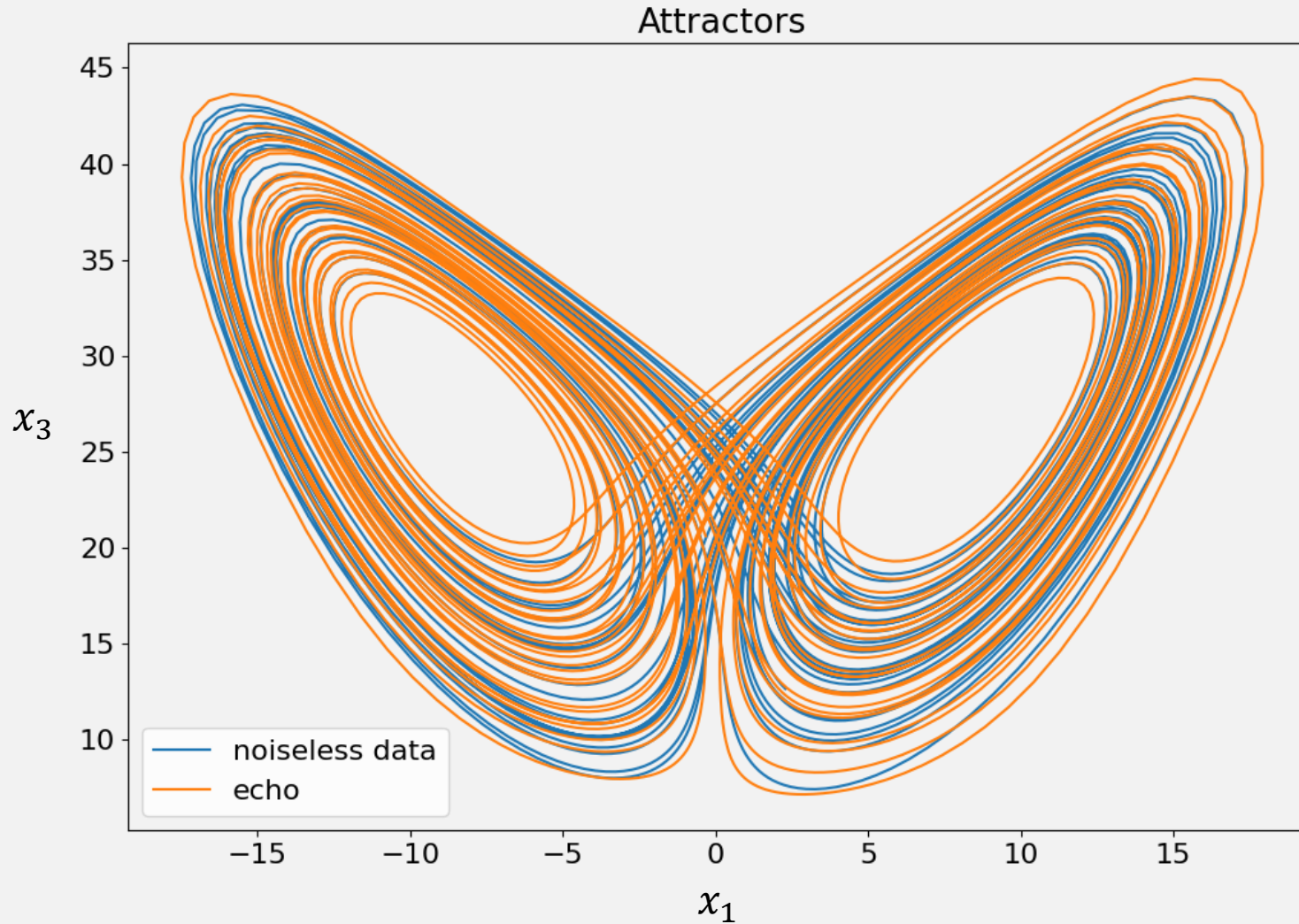
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Prediction Quality ($t > T$)



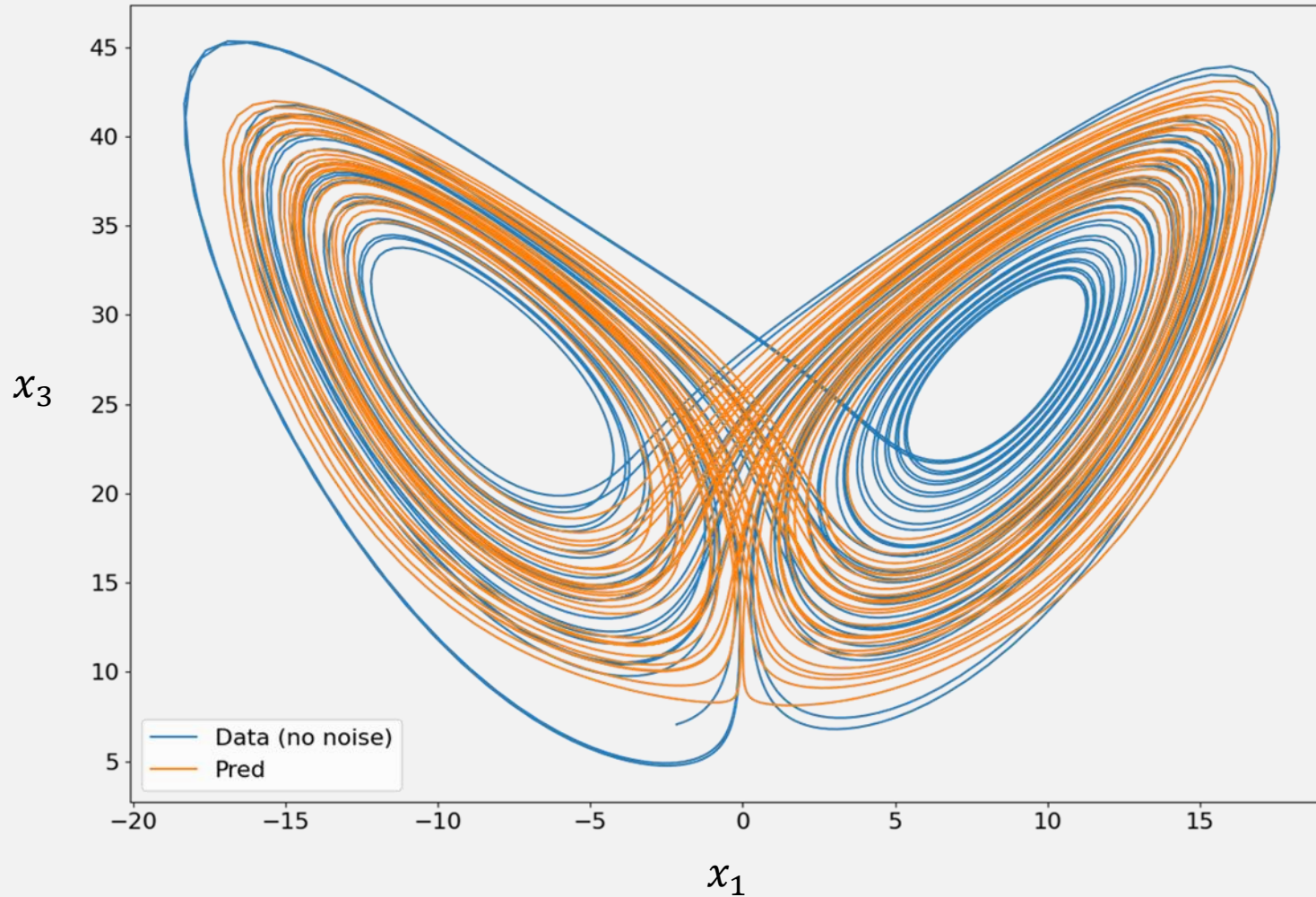
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Attractor Comparison ($t > T$)



300 Nodes

Attractor Comparison ($t > T$)



Comparison:
100 Nodes

Identical Synchronization

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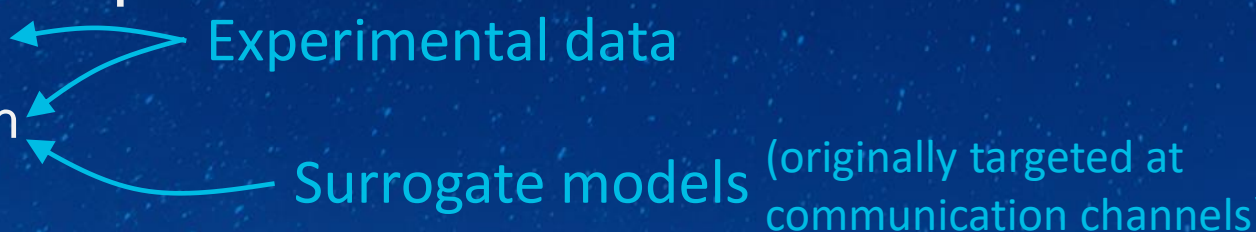
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Synchronization in Chaotic Systems

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- Certain identical (sub)systems can synchronize with each other
 - (Identical) Synchronization:
 - Two (identical) systems with different initial conditions are driven by the same input
 - They approach the same solution (even chaotic solutions)
 - Robust/stable in the presence of:
 - Measurement noise
 - Parameter mismatch
- Experimental data
- Surrogate models (originally targeted at communication channels)
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Global Stability implies Unique Embedding

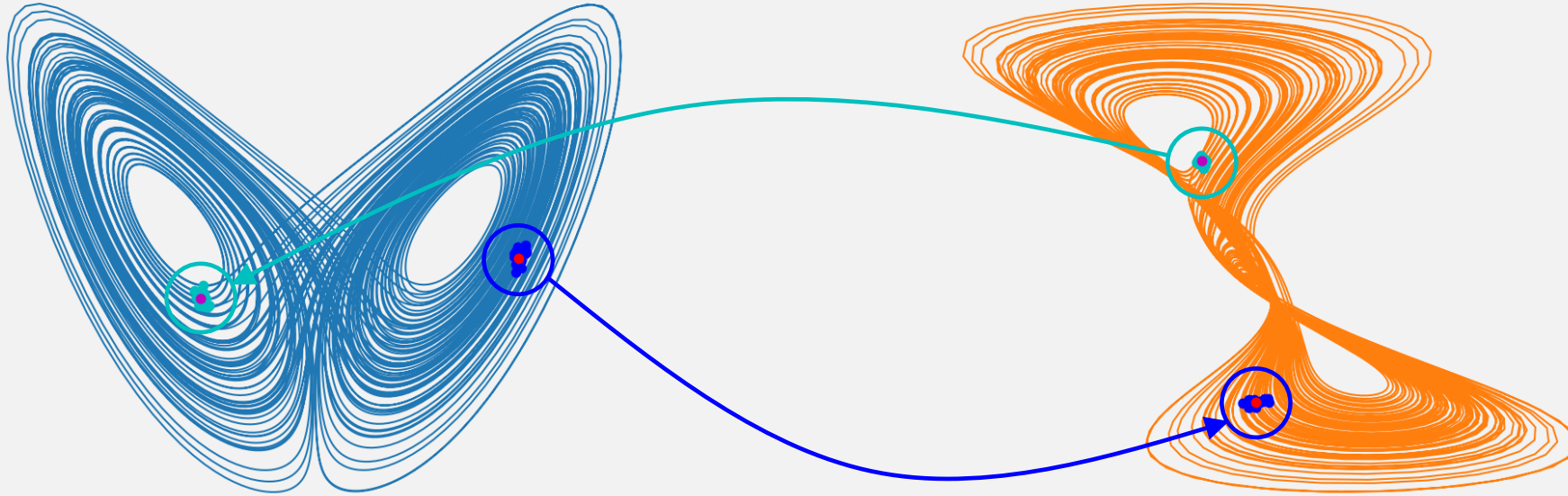
(Synchronization between Drive and Response)

$$\begin{aligned} x_{t+1} &= \sigma(Ax_t + Bu_t) \\ y_{t+1} &= \sigma(Ay_t + Bu_t) \end{aligned} \longrightarrow \text{If } \|A\| < 1 : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_t - y_t = 0$$

$$x_t = \Phi(u_t; A, B, \sigma) \longleftarrow \begin{aligned} &\text{For any } \varepsilon > 0 \text{ and some } t > 0, \\ &\text{there exists a unique } \Phi \text{ such that:} \\ &\|x_t - \Phi(u_t; A, B, \sigma)\| < \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

Unique \implies Digital Twin?

Examining Attractors for Homeomorphism



u_1-u_3 projection of Lorenz attractor

x_i-x_j projection of RC attractor

$$x_t = \Phi(u_t; A, B, \sigma)$$

“Complete Replacement”

Fundamentals of synchronization in chaotic systems, concepts, and applications

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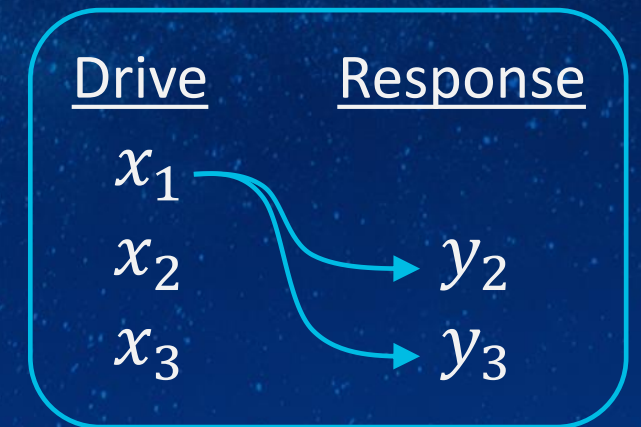
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Drive System x

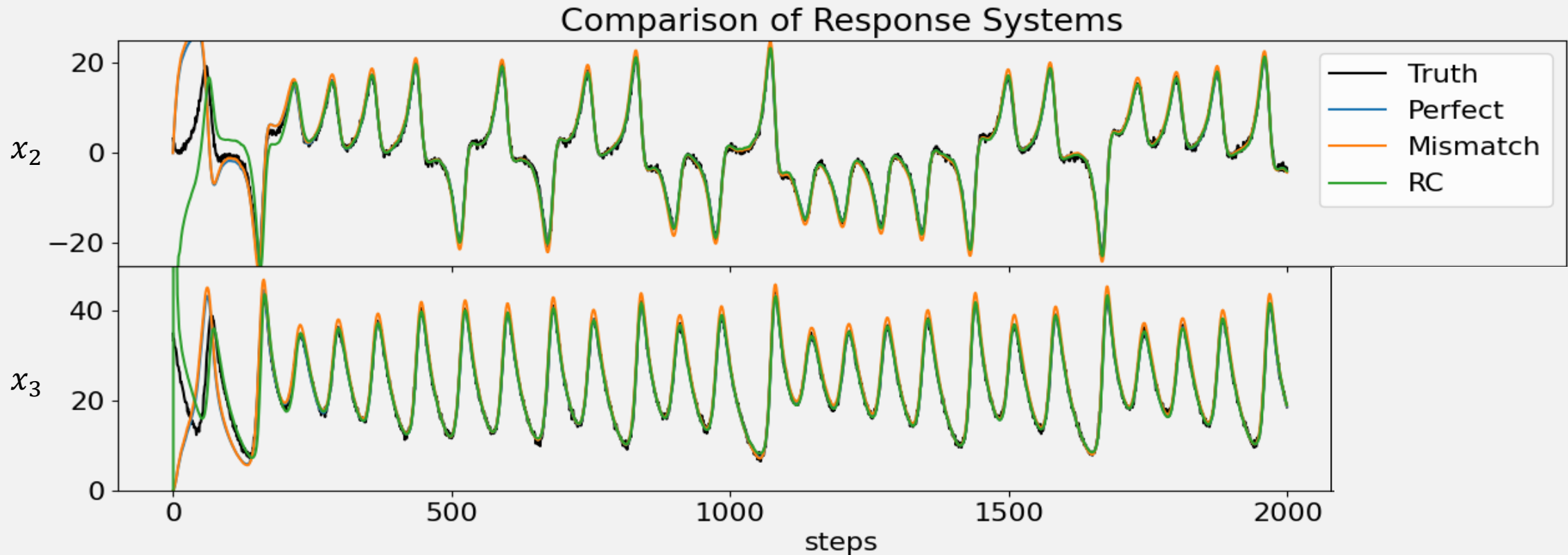
$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= -\sigma(x_2 - x_1) \\ \dot{x}_2 &= x_1(\rho - x_3) - x_2 \\ \dot{x}_3 &= x_1x_2 - \beta x_3\end{aligned}$$

Response System y

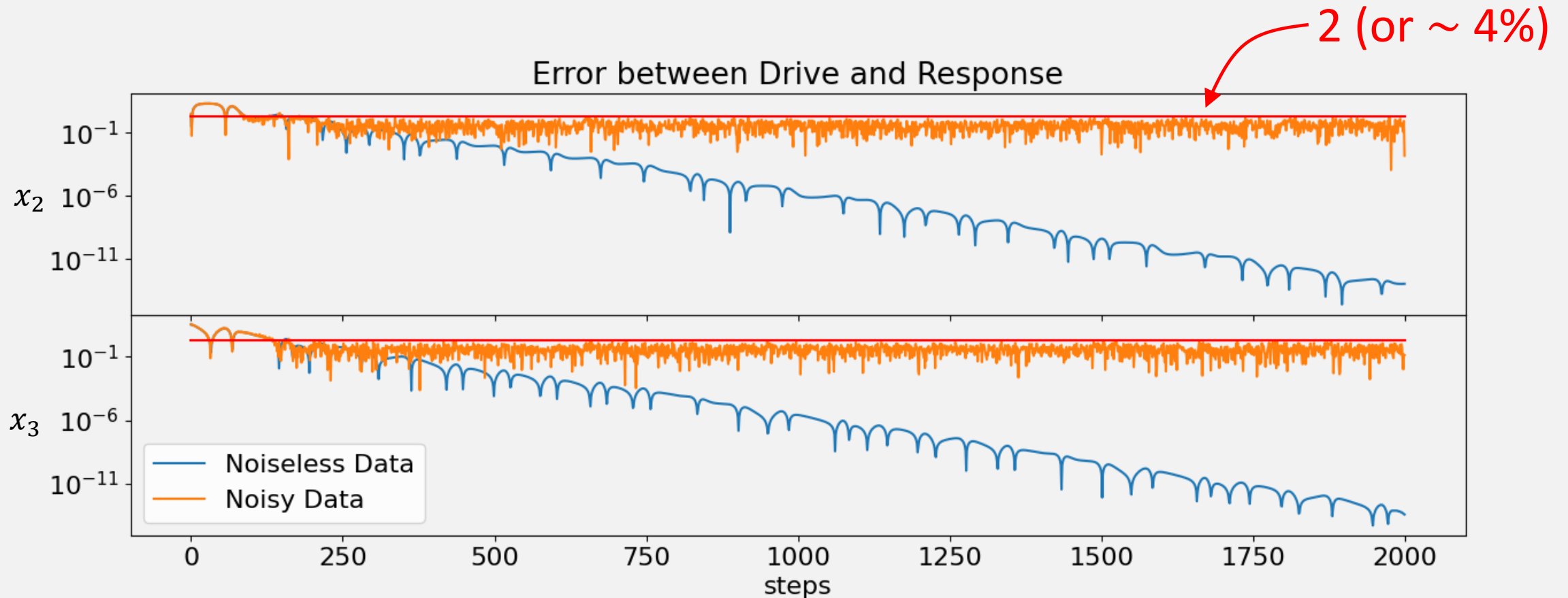
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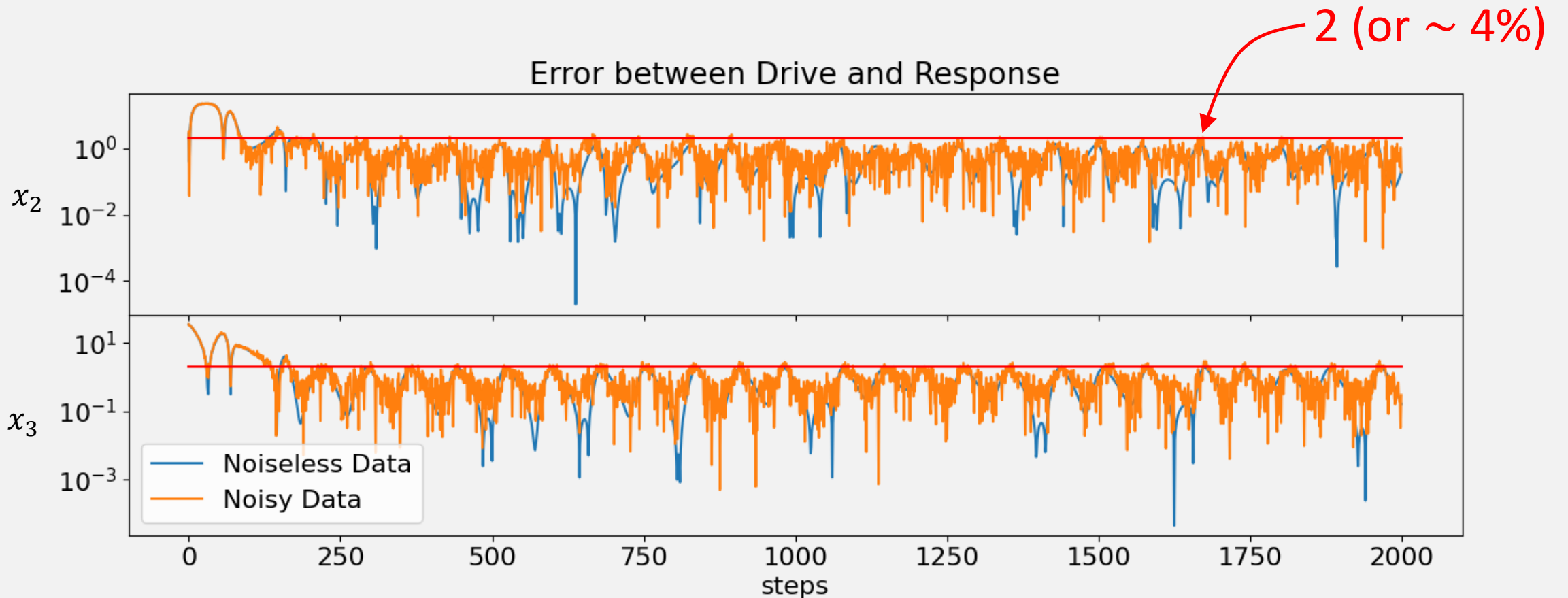
Inferring using x_1 with trained RC



Inferring using x_1 with “perfect system”



Inferring using x_1 with 5% parameter mismatch



Inferring using x_1 with trained RC



Recap:

- Observer or inference
 - Inferring one variable from another measured variable
 - Reconstruction/embedding approach
- Synchronization for creating “observers” (perform inference)
 - Requires some “good enough” surrogate model
 - Depends on the contraction of the subsystem
 - Robust to measurement noise and parameter mismatch
- Reservoir Computing (RC) to get a surrogate model
 - Trained on measurements
 - Fast and lightweight
 - Caveat: requires some “tuning”, unclear exactly how to tune

Problem Example:

A. Some dynamical system is run in a laboratory setting

- Measurement of X_1 is possible due to the controlled environment

B. The *same* dynamical system is run in a field setting

- Measurement of X_1 is not possible (capabilities are more limited in a real setting)

- Want to reproduce measurement X_1 in situation B.

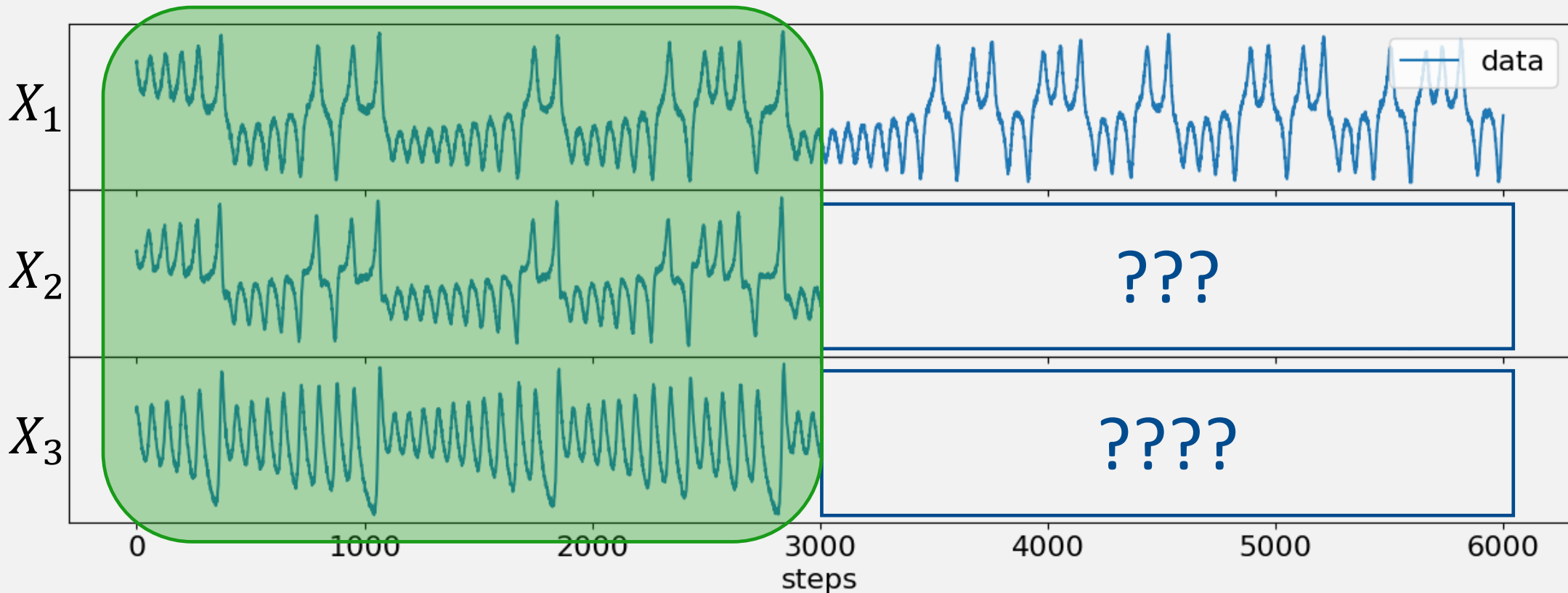
- Reconstruct X_1 from another measurement X_2

- Assumptions:

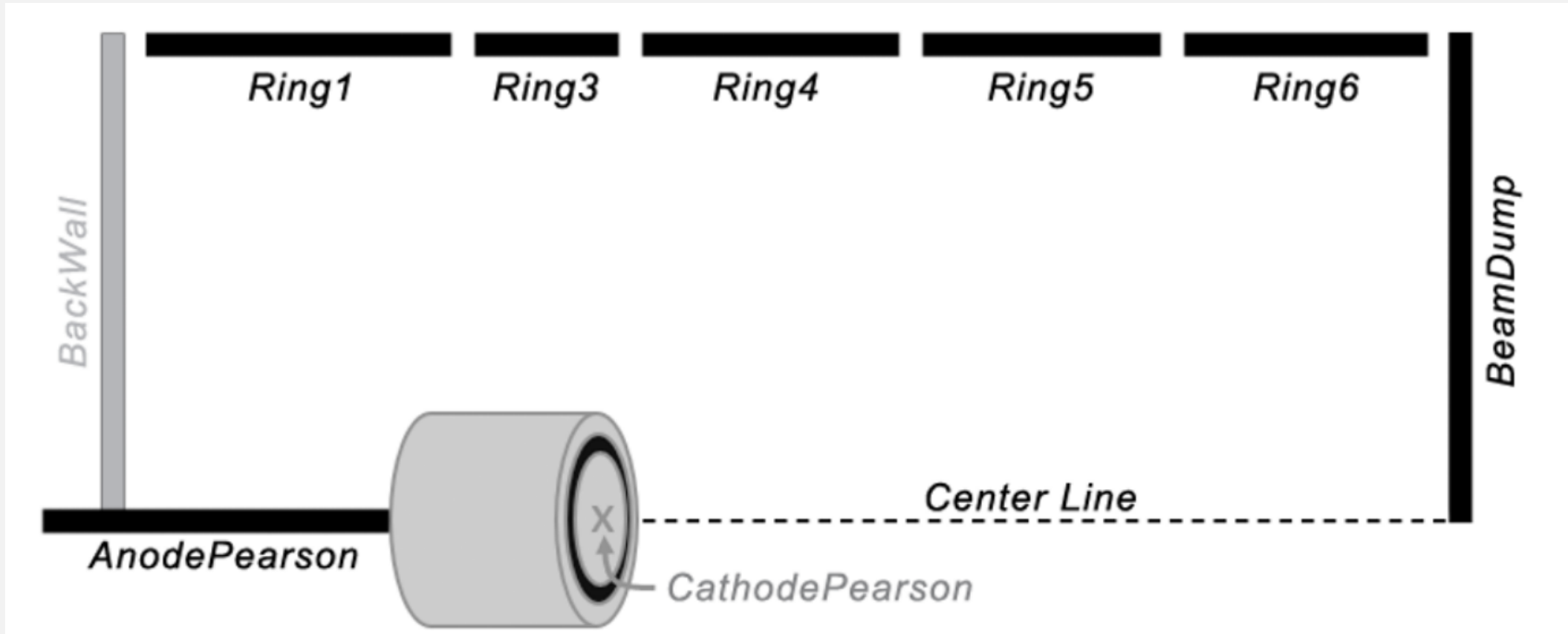
- Situations A and B are “similar enough” – slight parameter mismatch
- Variables X_1 and X_2 are coupled and are both some function of the state

In other words...

- Given historic data of scalar signals $\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N\}$, infer or reconstruct signals $\{X_2, X_3, \dots, X_N\}$ given only signal X_1

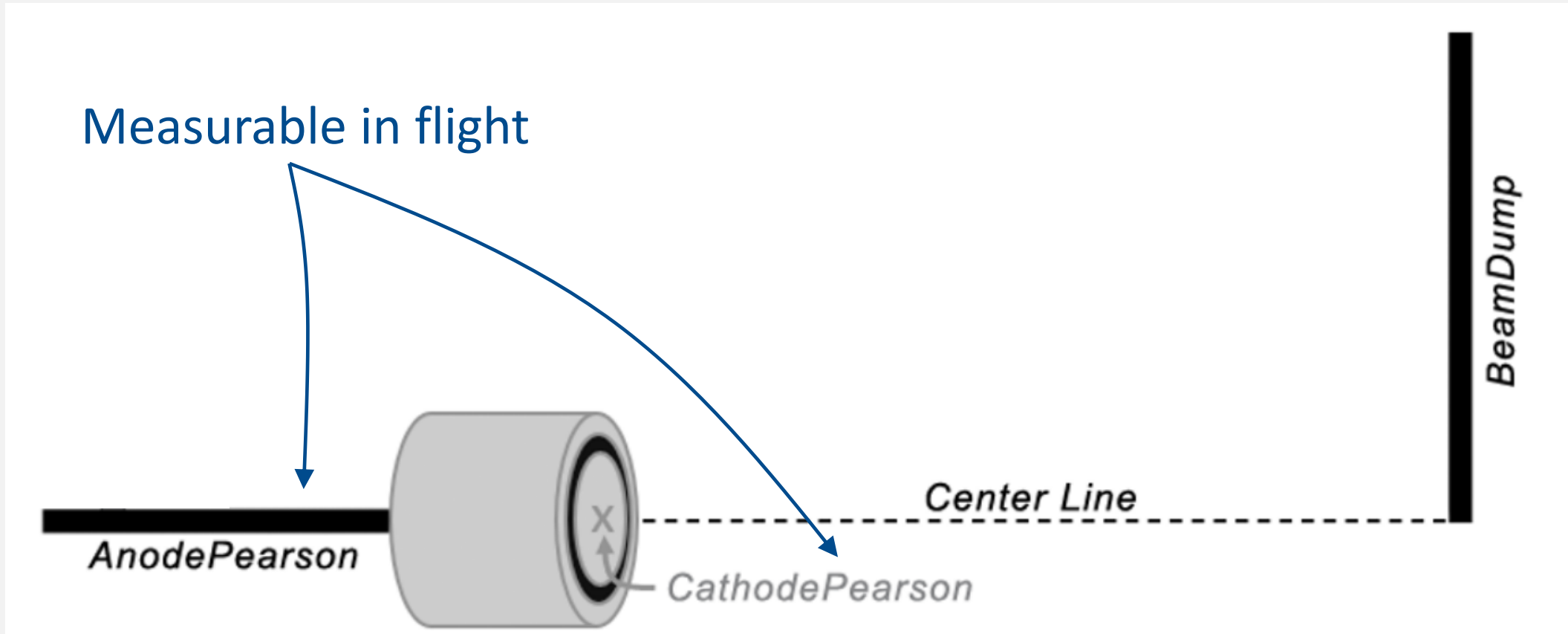


“Some dynamical system is run in a laboratory setting”



EP thruster in vacuum chamber (Axial-Radial Cross-section)

“The *same* dynamical system is run in a field setting”



Hypothetical EP thruster in flight

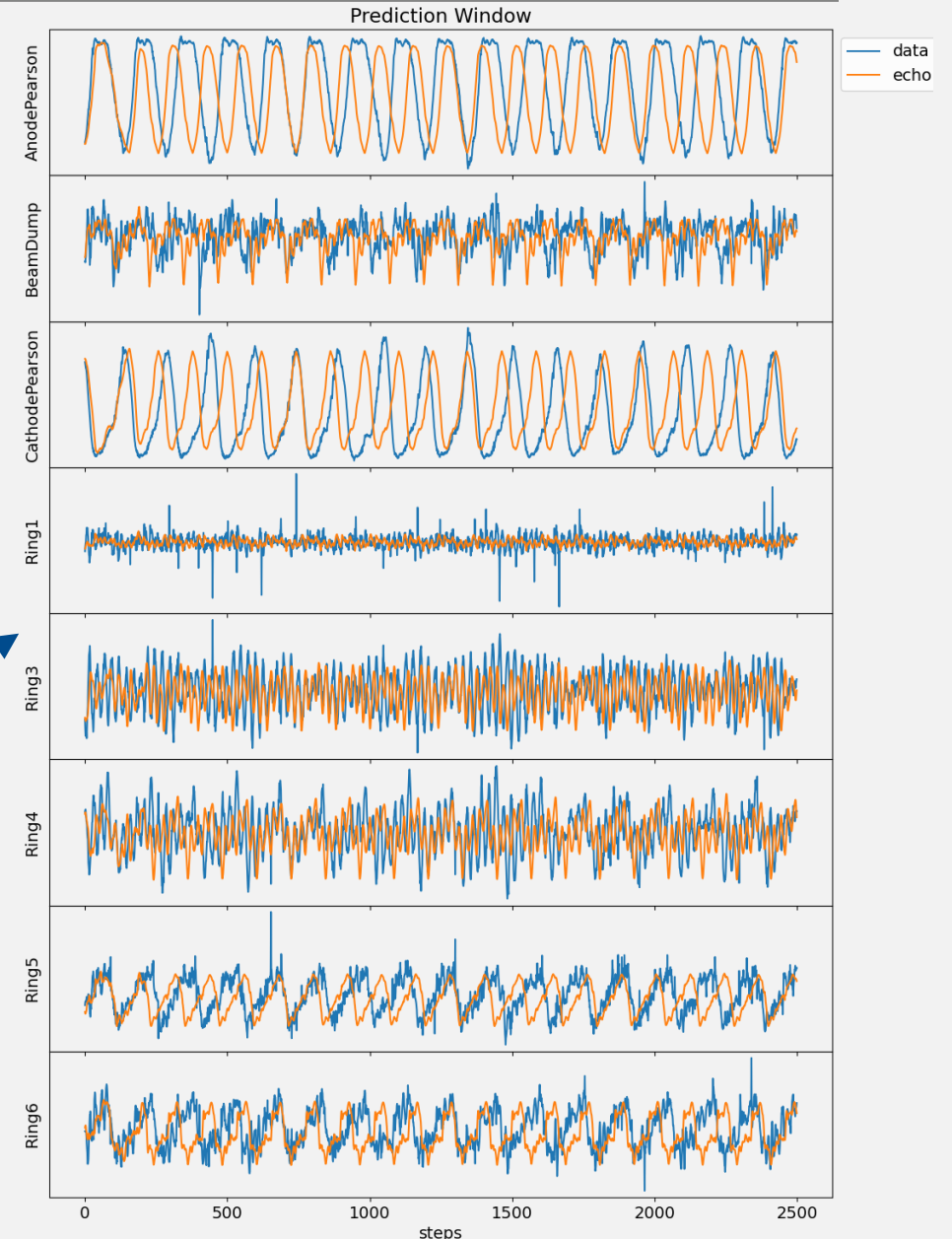
Inferring *BeamDump* from *AnodePearson*

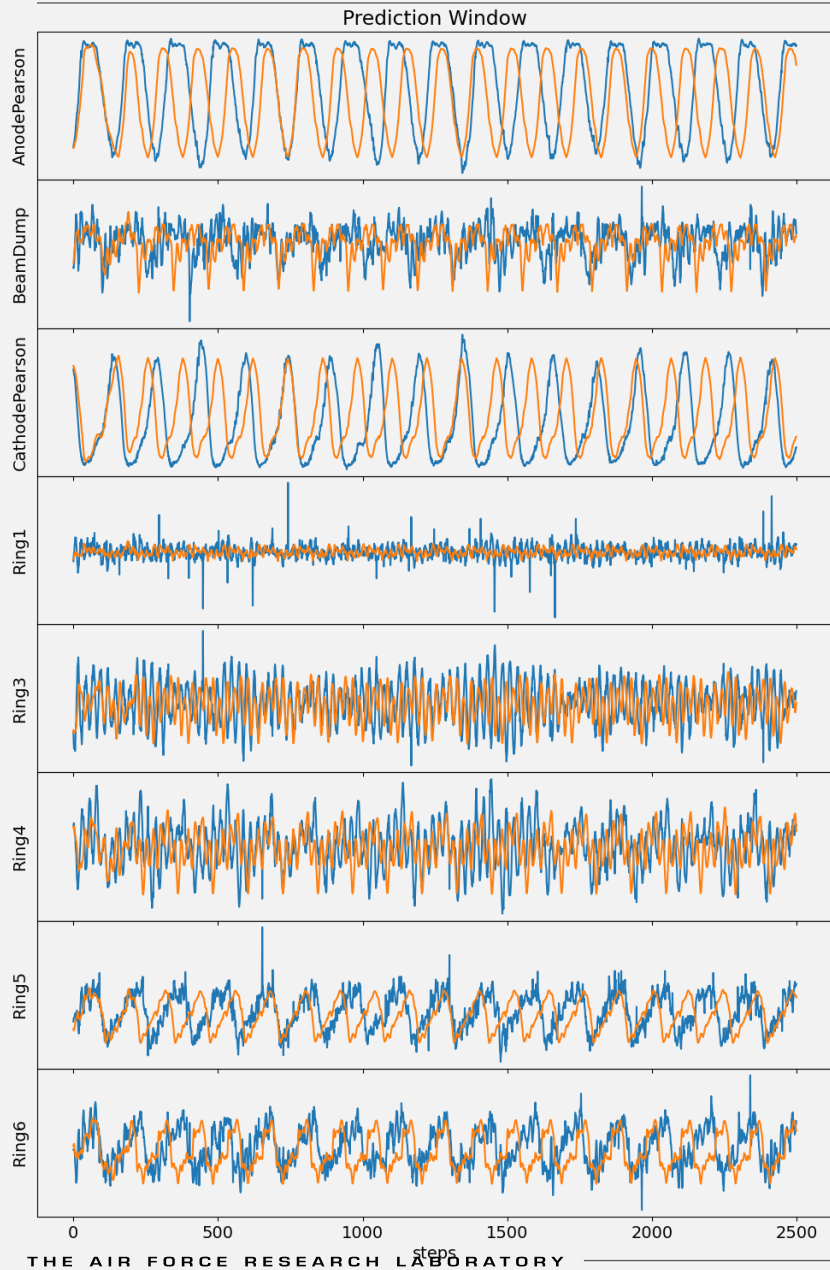
- Set up RC
- Train RC to reproduce measurement
- Inspect the prediction capability
- Repeat until “acceptable”
- Induce synchronization

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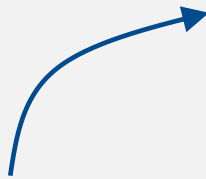
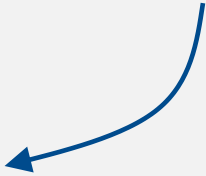
$$z_t = Wr_t + b$$

$$z_t^{(measured)} = x_t^{(measured)}$$

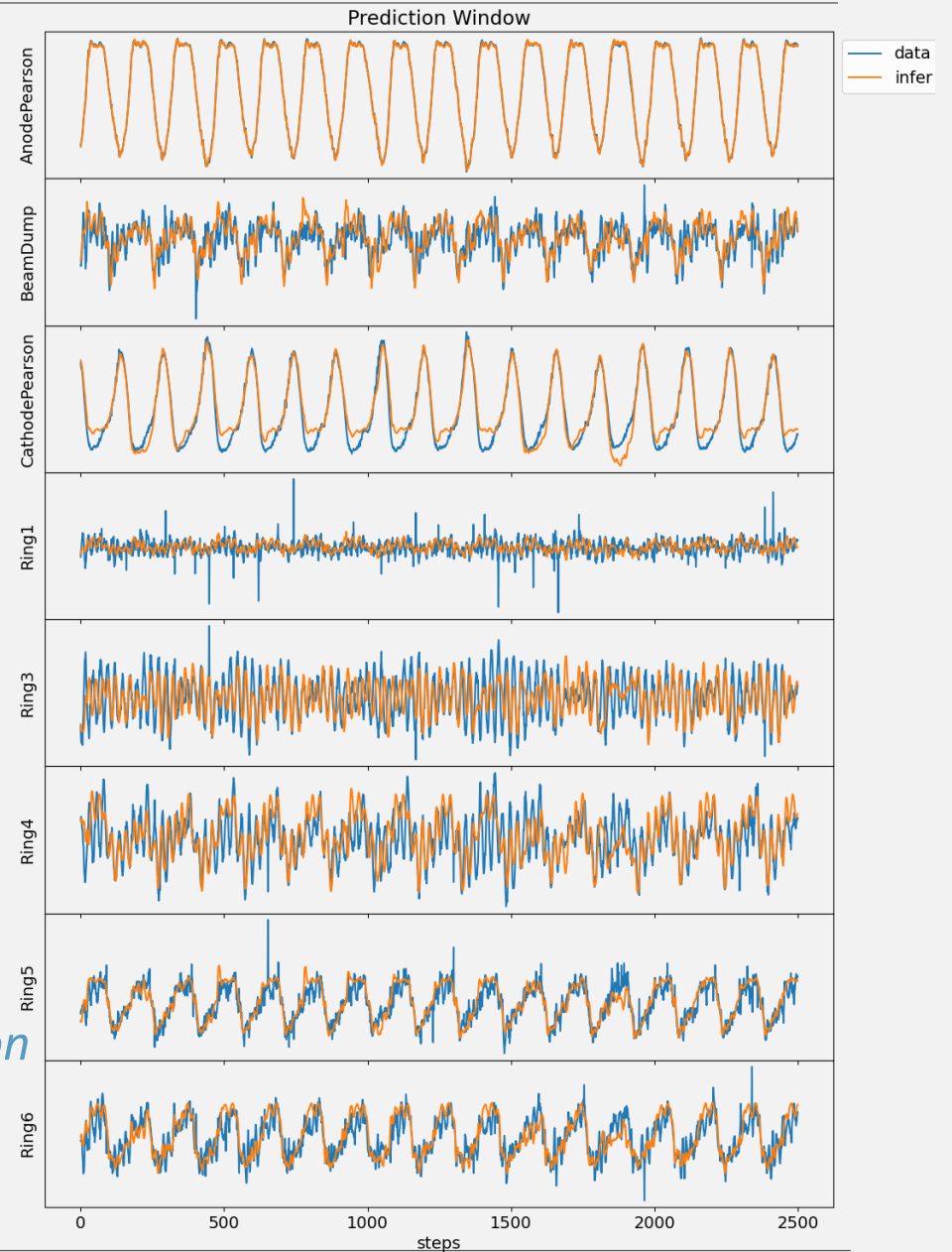




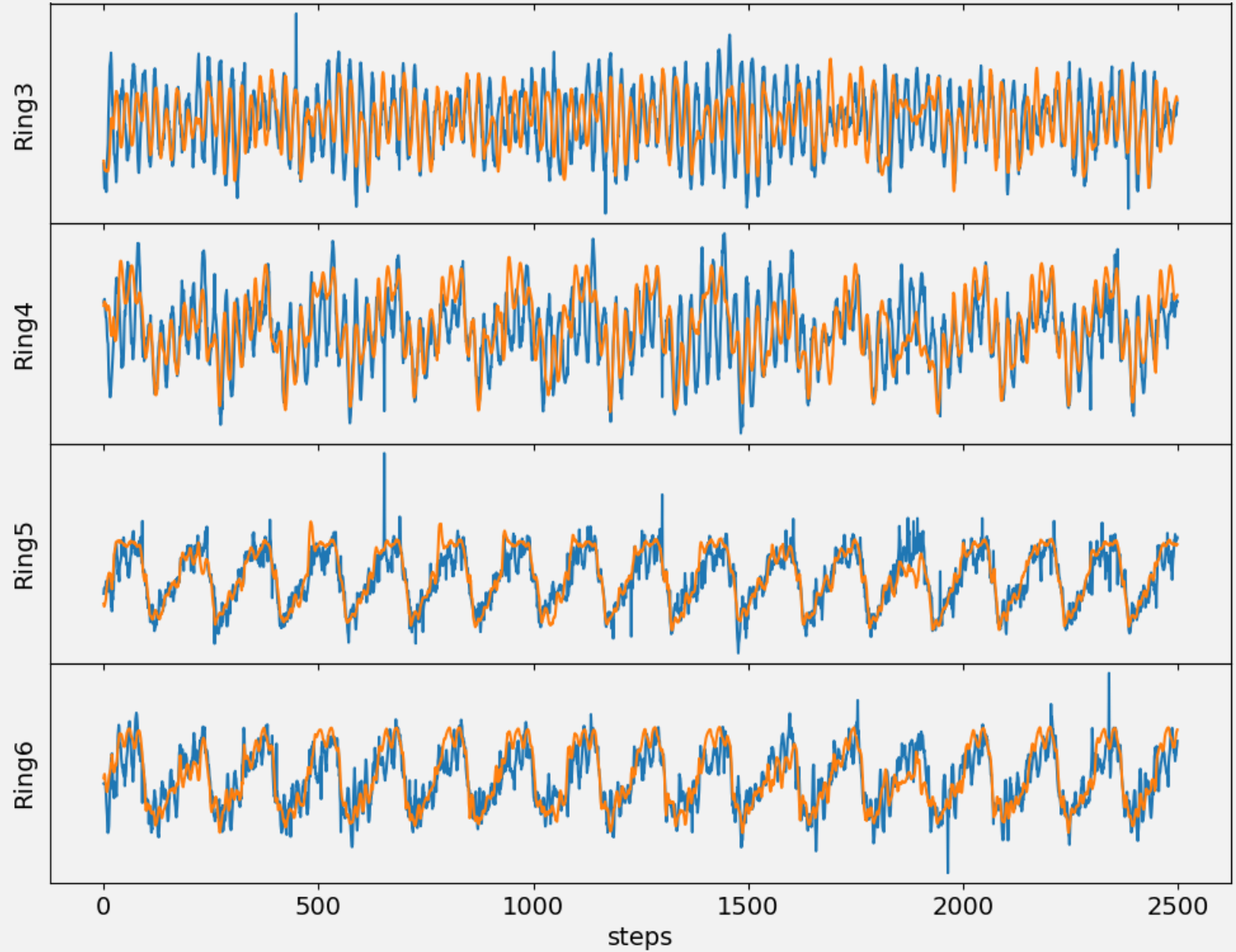
Flawed surrogate model predicting without help



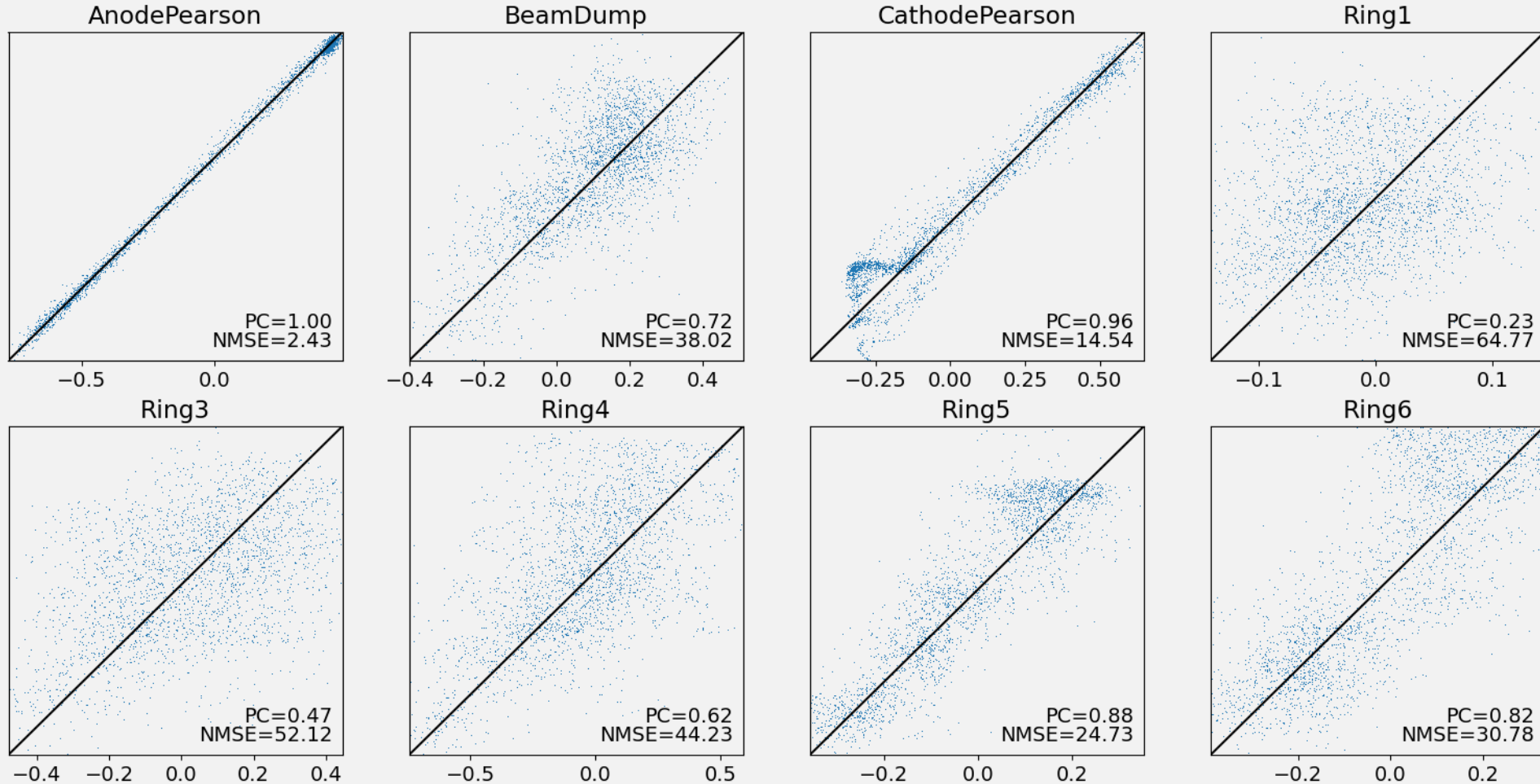
Flawed surrogate model inferring with AnodePearson



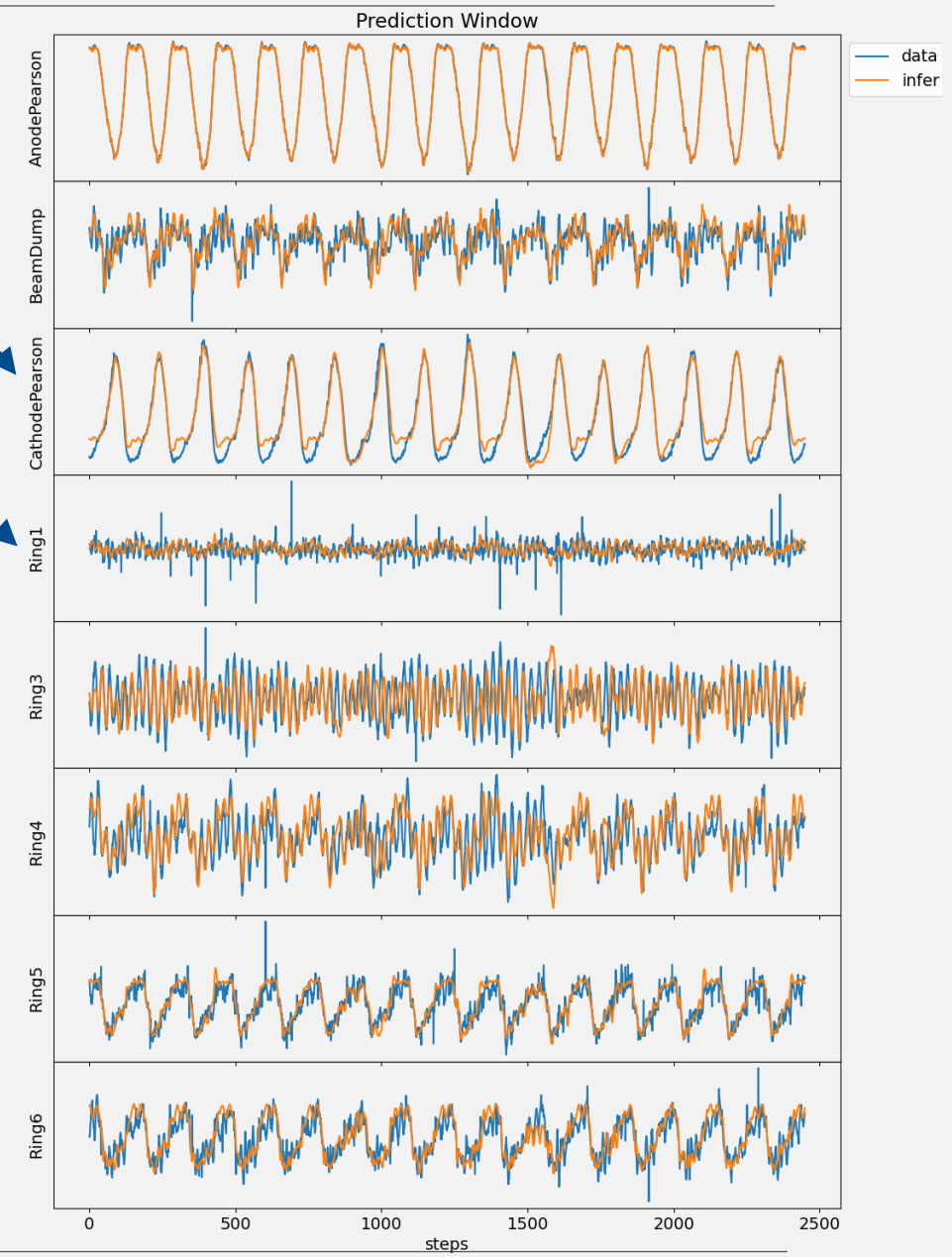
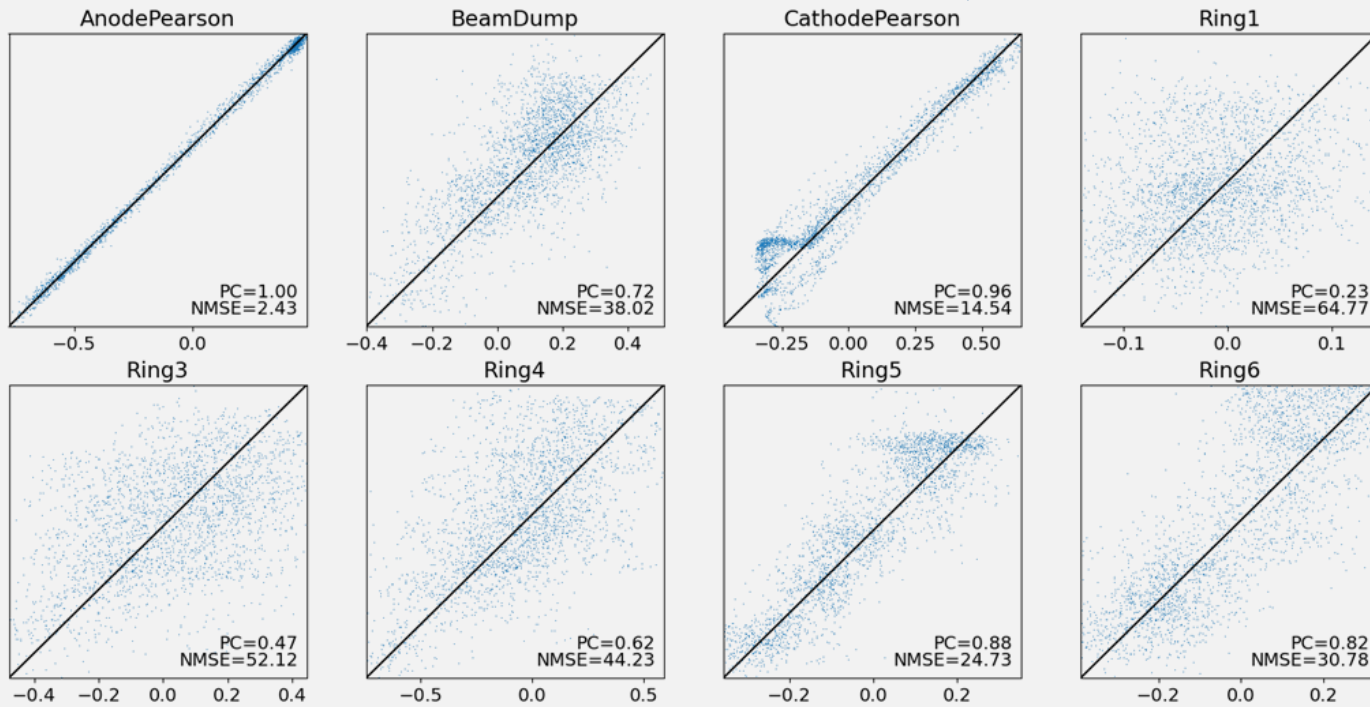
Zoomed In (Inference)



Metrics of Quality



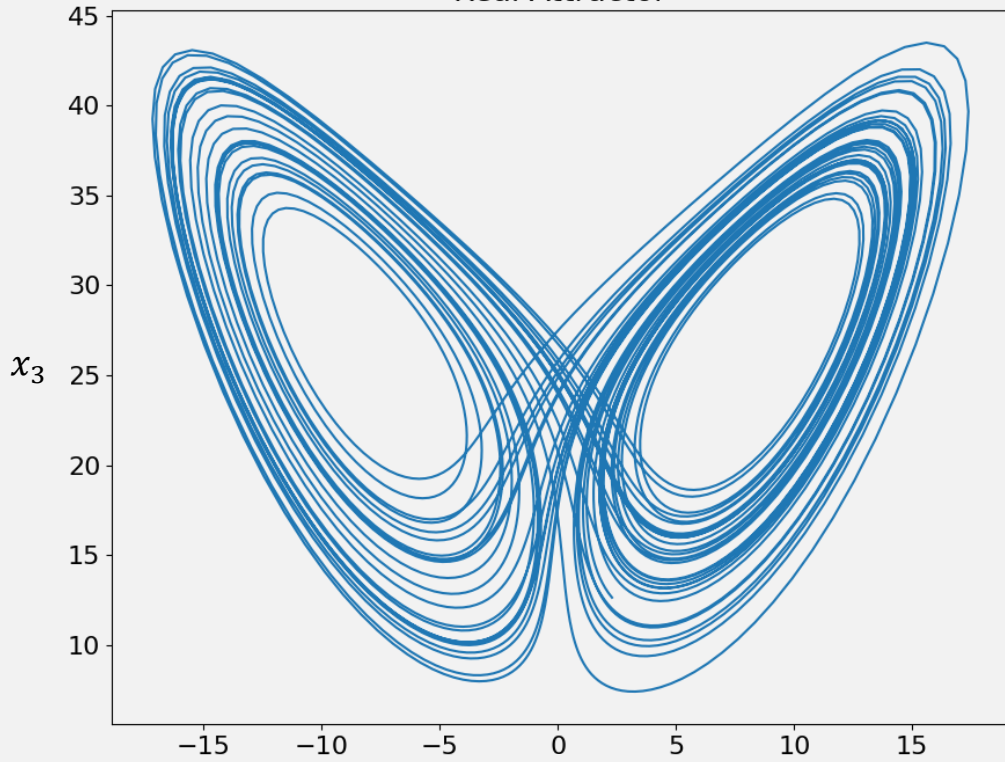
Metrics of Quality



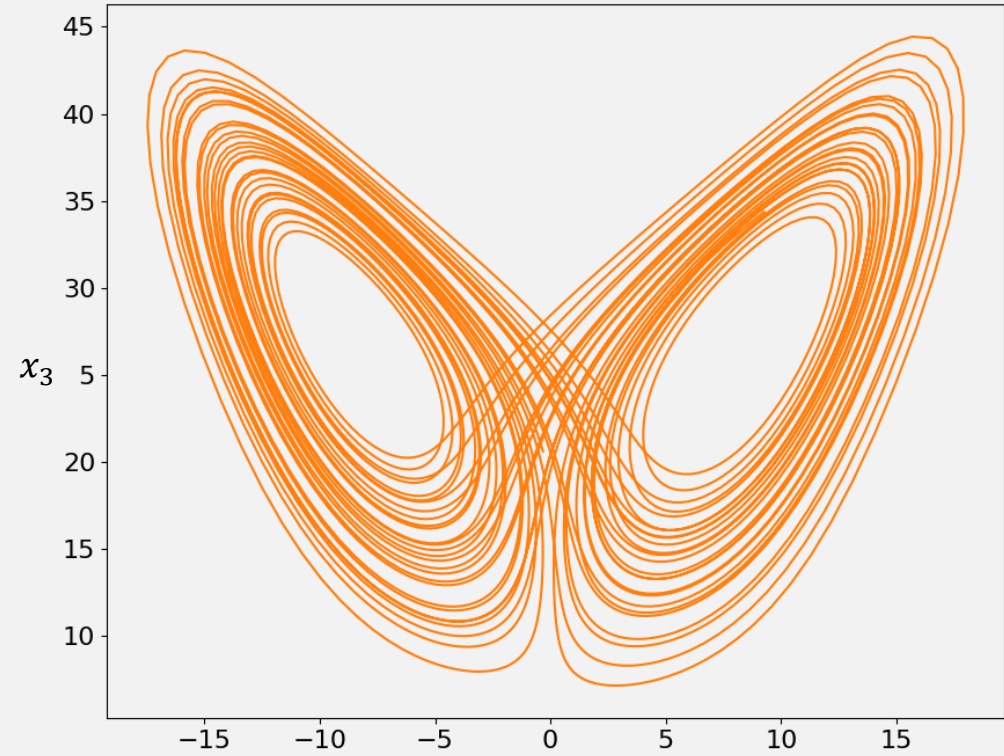
$$\left. \begin{aligned} [A] &= 16200 \\ [B] &= 900 \\ [W] &= 7200 \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} \text{Total} &= 24300 = 156 \times 156 \\ \text{Compute Time} &: \sim 1.5s \end{aligned}$$

Trained RC fools the eye ($t > T$)

Real Attractor



RC Attractor

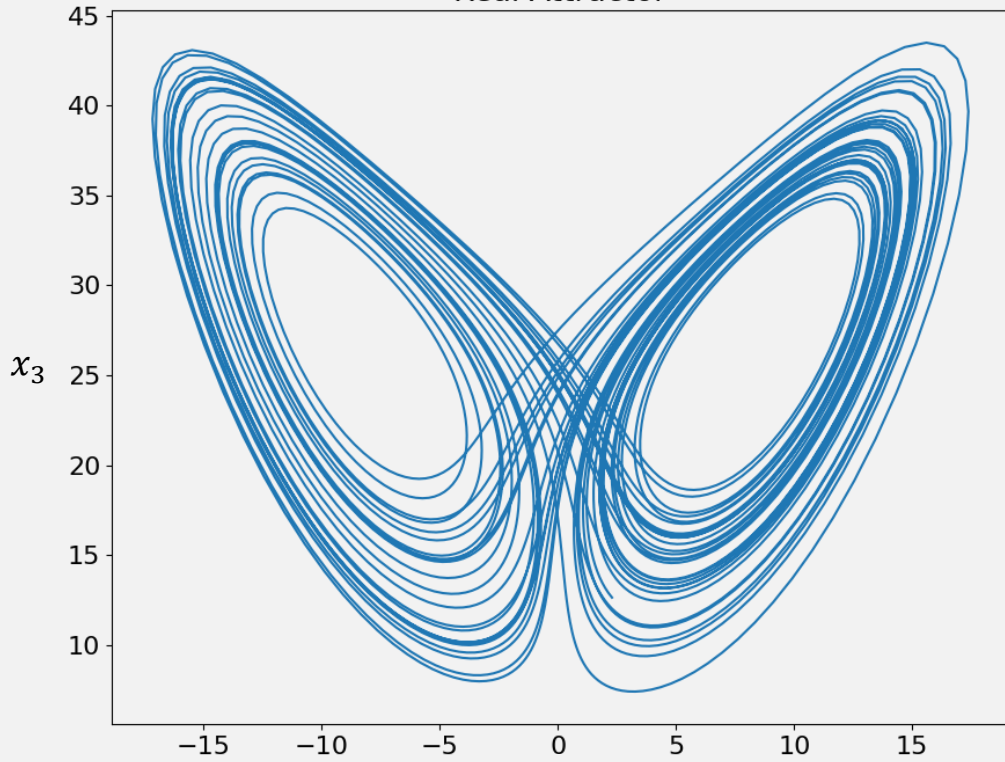


$[A] = 1800$
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 $[W] = 900$

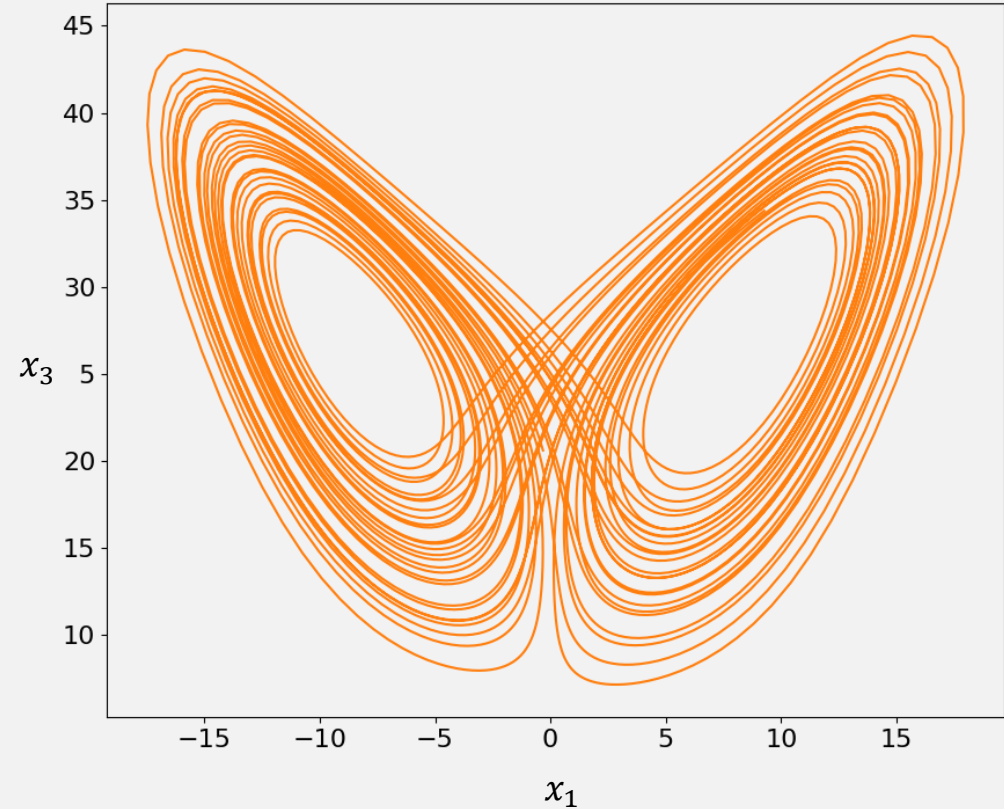
$Total = 3000 = 55 \times 55$
 $Compute Time: \sim 1.1s$

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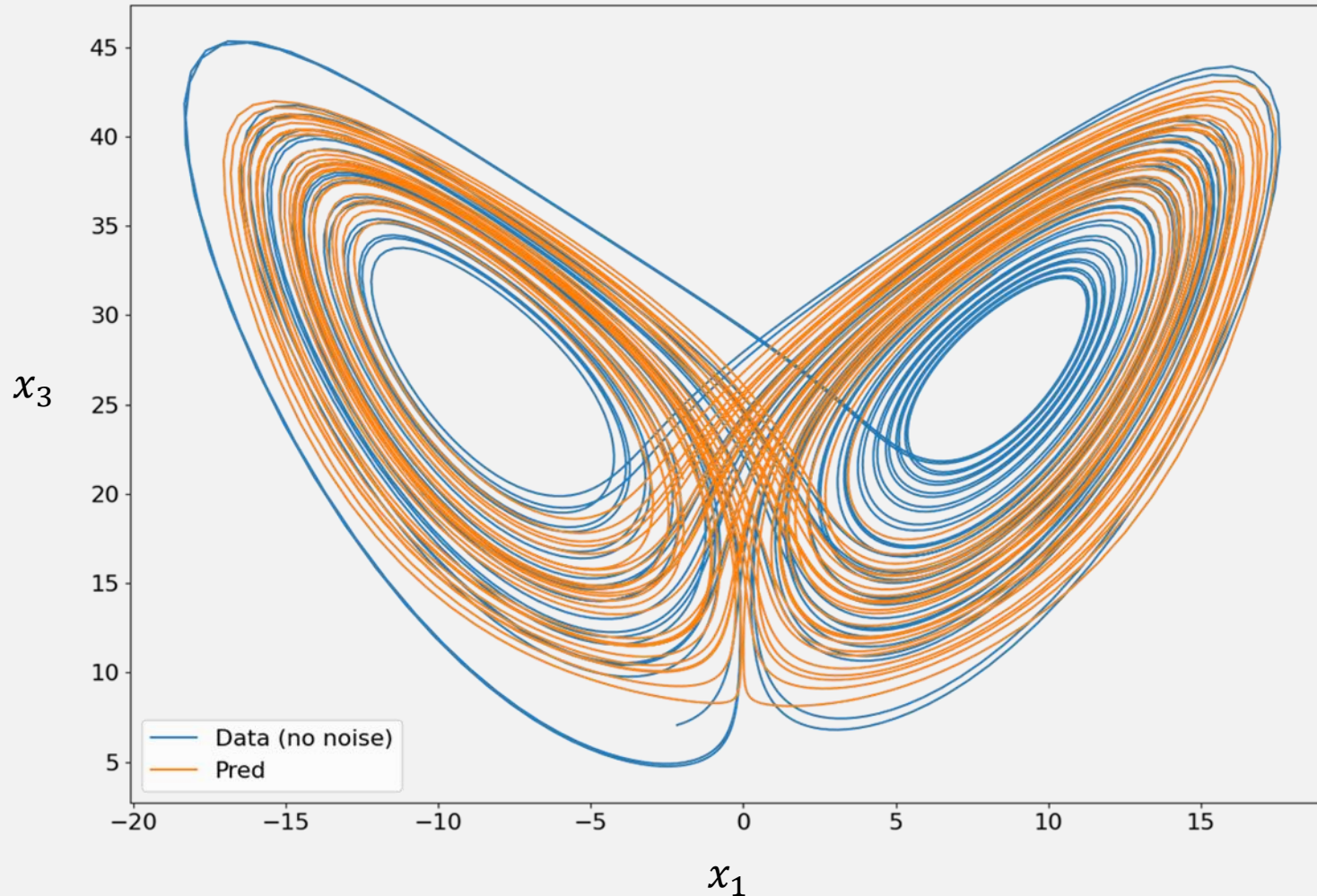
RC Attractor



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Total = 3000 = 55 × 55
 Compute Time: ~1.1s

Attractor Comparison ($t > T$)



Comparison:
100 Nodes
600 weights!

Summary

- RC as a data-driven surrogate model
- Synchronization of approximate models for inference
 - Bridge the gap between experiments and field measurements
- RC inference on thruster
 - “Qualitative” prediction of “unobserved” measurements
 - Leverage lab data to inform flight performance
- Suggests a “rank order” of measurements
 - Certain measurements are better able to induce synchronization – more valuable.
- Some Interesting Machine Learning theory
 - Results show very low memory requirement
 - Candidate for *in silico* implementation and computing

Backup Slides

Abstract

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Observers Using Synchronization of Reservoir Computing Surrogates

“*State observers*” are a family of methods that aim to deduce the state of the underlying dynamical system through measurements of the same system. In this work, we explore a more general version of a *state observer* where a measured variable can be used to reconstruct another measured variable. We examine Reservoir Computing (RC) as a surrogate model, which is used along with Generalized Synchronization (GS) to perform the inference. We show extremely promising results on the Lorenz system, especially considering that only 600 weights and a computation time of nearly one-second are required. When applied to real-world measurements of a Hall-effect Thruster in a vacuum chamber, RC can infer the other variables of the system with moderate success.

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Questions?

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Contraction and Stability

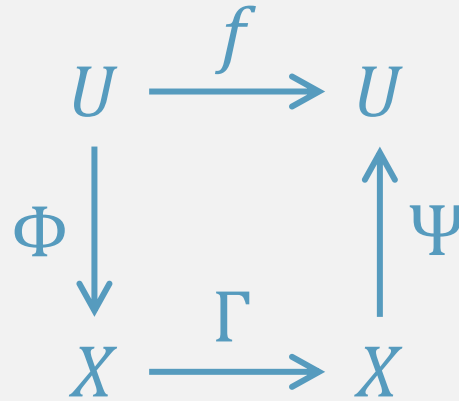
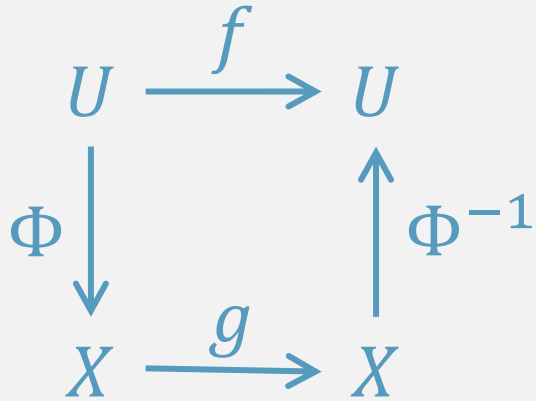
“Twin” Systems $\begin{cases} x_{t+1} = \sigma(Ax_t + Bu_t) \\ y_{t+1} = \sigma(Ay_t + Bu_t) \\ x_0 \neq y_0 \quad ; \quad u = \{u_t\} \end{cases}$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\sigma(Ax_t + Bu_t) - \sigma(Ay_t + Bu_t)\| &\leq \|Ax_t + Bu_t - Ay_t + Bu_t\| \\ &\leq \|A\| \cdot \|x_t - y_t\| \end{aligned}$$

$$\|x_t - y_t\| \leq \|A\|^t \cdot \|x_0 - y_0\|$$

$$\text{If } \|A\| < 1 : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_t - y_t = 0$$

Topological Conjugates?



$$\begin{aligned}
 \Psi(x) &= Wx + b \\
 &\simeq \Phi^{-1}(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Gamma(x) &= \sigma(\bar{A}x + \bar{b}) \\
 &\simeq g(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

- $f = \Phi^{-1} \circ g \circ \Phi$ exists but unobtainable directly, **instead:**
 - Dynamics $\sigma(Ax_t + Bu_t)$ gives pairs of $\{u_t, x_t\}$ to learn Ψ
 - Use self-consistency: from $\sigma(Ax_t + Bu_t)$ to $\sigma(\bar{A}x + \bar{b}) = \Gamma(x)$
- Γ to approximate conjugate dynamics, Ψ to approximate inverse
- $f \simeq \underbrace{\Psi \circ \Gamma \circ \Phi}_{\text{Universal Approximation}}$ to reconstruct dynamics

Inverting the Map

Ideally, noiseless:

$$\Phi(\text{blue map}) = \text{orange map}$$

Realistically: $\Phi(\text{fuzzy blue map}) = \text{fuzzy orange map}$