

Data assimilation with stochastic reduced models

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Computational cost: many simulations of the full system

- **Costly (or even unknown):** e.g. weather forecasting

DA with reduced models

Reduced order models (ROM): (suppose that x is of main interest)

$$\begin{aligned} x_{n+1} &= F(x_n, y_n), \\ y_{n+1} &= G(x_n, y_n). \end{aligned} \quad \longrightarrow \quad x_{n+1} \approx f_0(x_n)$$

(by grid / truncation / PCA etc. y viewed as “sub-grid scales”.)

Model error not negligible: $U(x_n, y_n) = F(x_n, y_n) - f_0(x_n)$

- Chaotic geoscience models
- Missing statistical-dynamical properties

Accounting for the model error:

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Stochastic parametrization:

- Approximate the model error U
 - **Memory/non-local effects** (due to model reduction)
- —> Represent U as a function of paths of x and noise
- —> A non-Markovian reduced model



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Stochastic parametrization:

NARMA (Nonlinear AutoRegression Moving Average)

$$\mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{f}_0(\mathbf{x}_{n-1}) + \Phi(\mathbf{x}_{n-p:n-1}, \xi_{n-q:n-1}) + \xi_n,$$

$$\Phi_n := \Phi(\mathbf{x}_{n-p:n-1}, \xi_{n-q:n-1})$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^p a_j \mathbf{x}_{n-j} + \sum_{i=0}^r \sum_{j=1}^p b_{i,j} \mathbf{f}_i(\mathbf{x}_{n-j}) + \sum_{j=1}^q c_j \xi_{n-j},$$

- ξ_n is i.i.d. Gaussian $N(0, \sigma^2)$
- Derive the terms $\{\mathbf{f}_i, i = 1, \dots, r\}$
 - ◆ from physical laws, numerical schemes
- Estimate parameters $\{a_j, b_{i,j}, c_j, \sigma_\xi^2\}$
 - ◆ by conditional maximum likelihood methods

Other efforts to accounting for the model error in DA

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Covariance inflation and localization (IL)

Idea: Quantify the effect of U to the prior in EnKF

- use the rough reduced model $x_{n+1} \approx f_0(x_n)$
- correct the ensemble covariance C_n^f (of the prior)

Additive / Multiplicative inflation:

$$\hat{C}_n^f = C_n^f + \lambda I$$

$$\hat{C}_n^f = (1 + \lambda)C_n^f$$

Localization:

$$\hat{C}_n^f = C_n^f \circ C_r^{loc}$$

- Tune the inflation / localization parameters

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Generate training data using the full model

1. Stochastic parametrization: (Improve the forecast model)

- Use NARMA as forecast mode in EnKF
- The NARMA model from training data

2. Covariance Inflation/Localization (IL): (improve the prior cov.)

- Use the reduced model with IL in EnKF
- Tune the IL parameters using training data

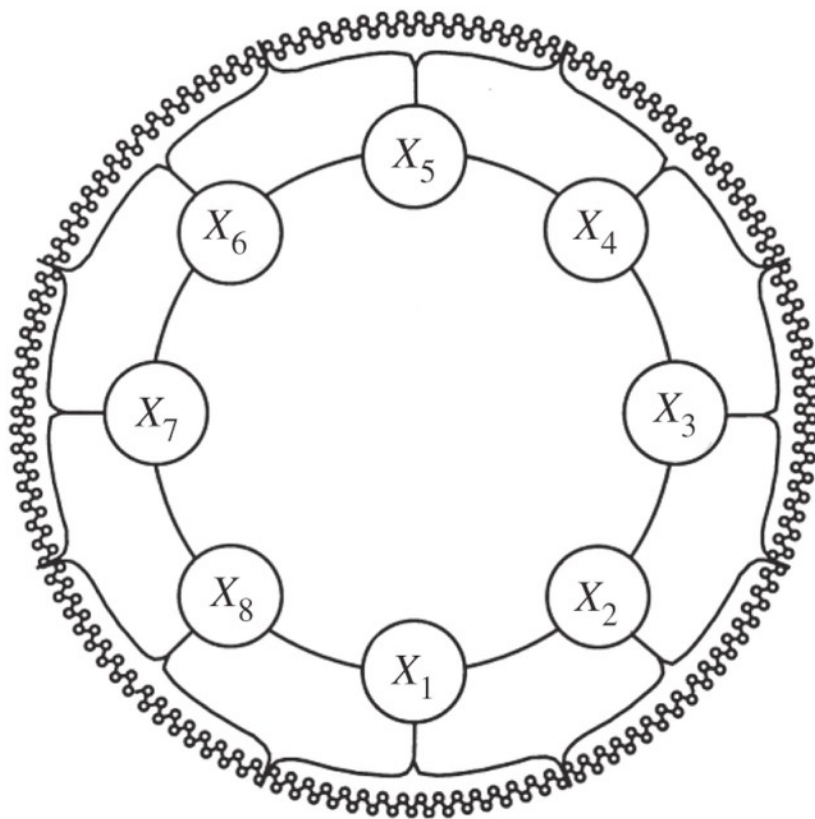
Numerical experiments:

The Lorenz 96 system

$$\frac{d}{dt}x_k = x_{k-1}(x_{k+1} - x_{k-2}) - x_k + 10 - \frac{1}{J} \sum_j y_{k,j},$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}y_{k,j} = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} [y_{k,j+1}(y_{k,j-1} - y_{k,j+2}) - y_{k,j} + x_k],$$

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^{18}, \quad y \in \mathbb{R}^{360}$$



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- Suppose x is of main interest
- Noisy observations of x
- To predict future evolution of x

A model without the “sub-grid” y :

$$\frac{d}{dt}x_k = x_{k-1}(x_{k+1} - x_{k-2}) - x_k + 10$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{L96x} \quad x_{k,n} = x_{k,n-1} + f_k^h(x_{\cdot,n-1})$$

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L96x

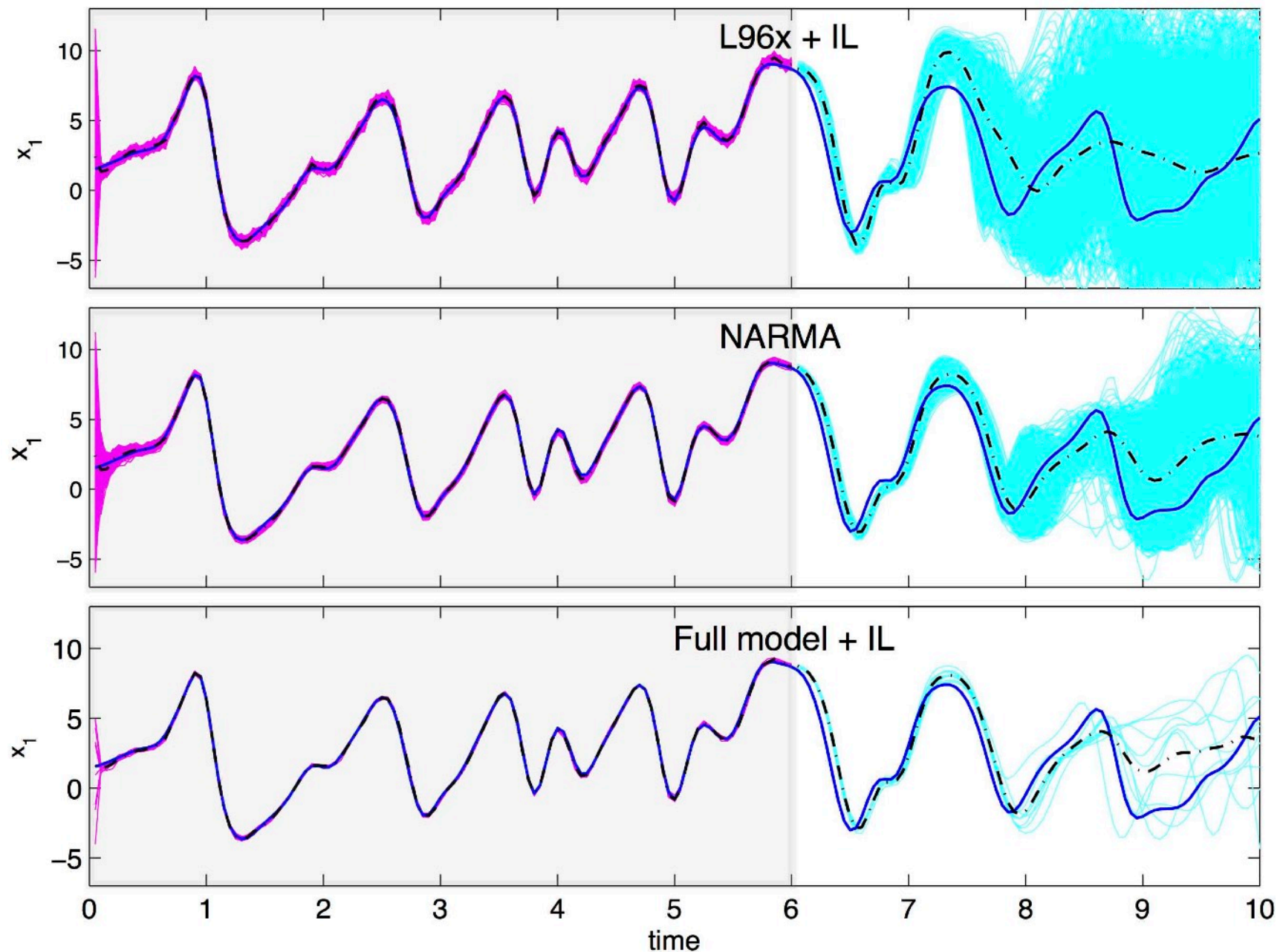
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NARMA

$$x_{k,n} = \sum_{j=1}^2 (a_j x_{k,n-j} + b_j f_k^h(x_{\cdot,n-j})) + c_0 + c_1 x_{k,n-1}^2 + c_2 x_{k,n-1}^3 + \xi_{k,n},$$

State estimation

Forecast



A typical EnKF
assimilation:

Ensemble size

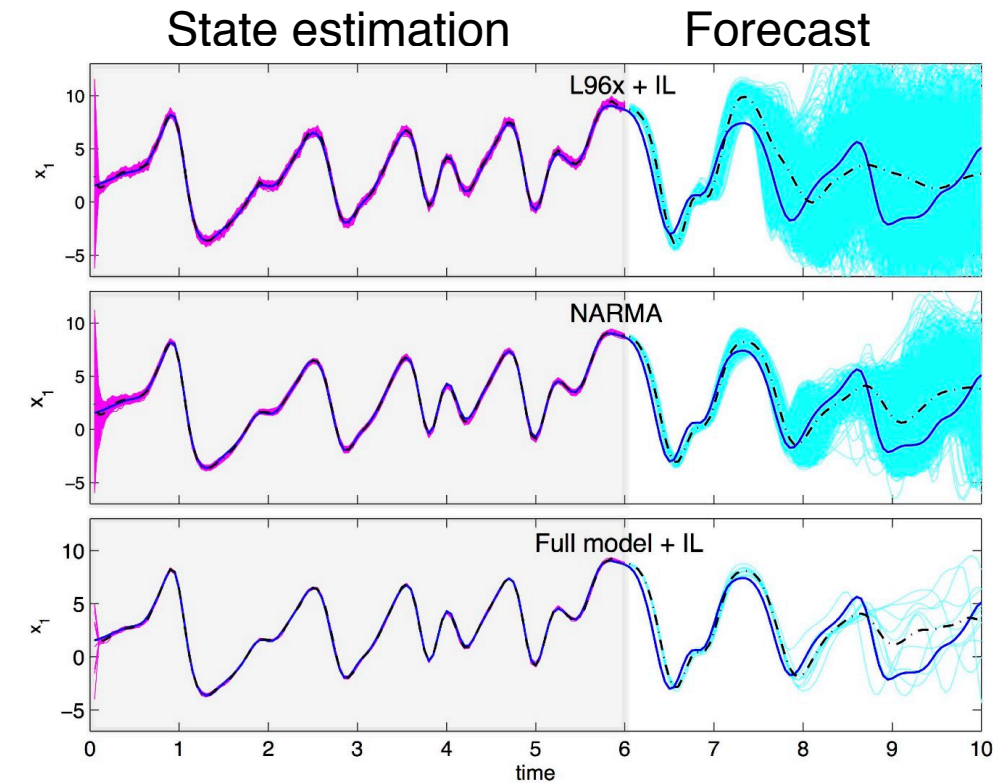
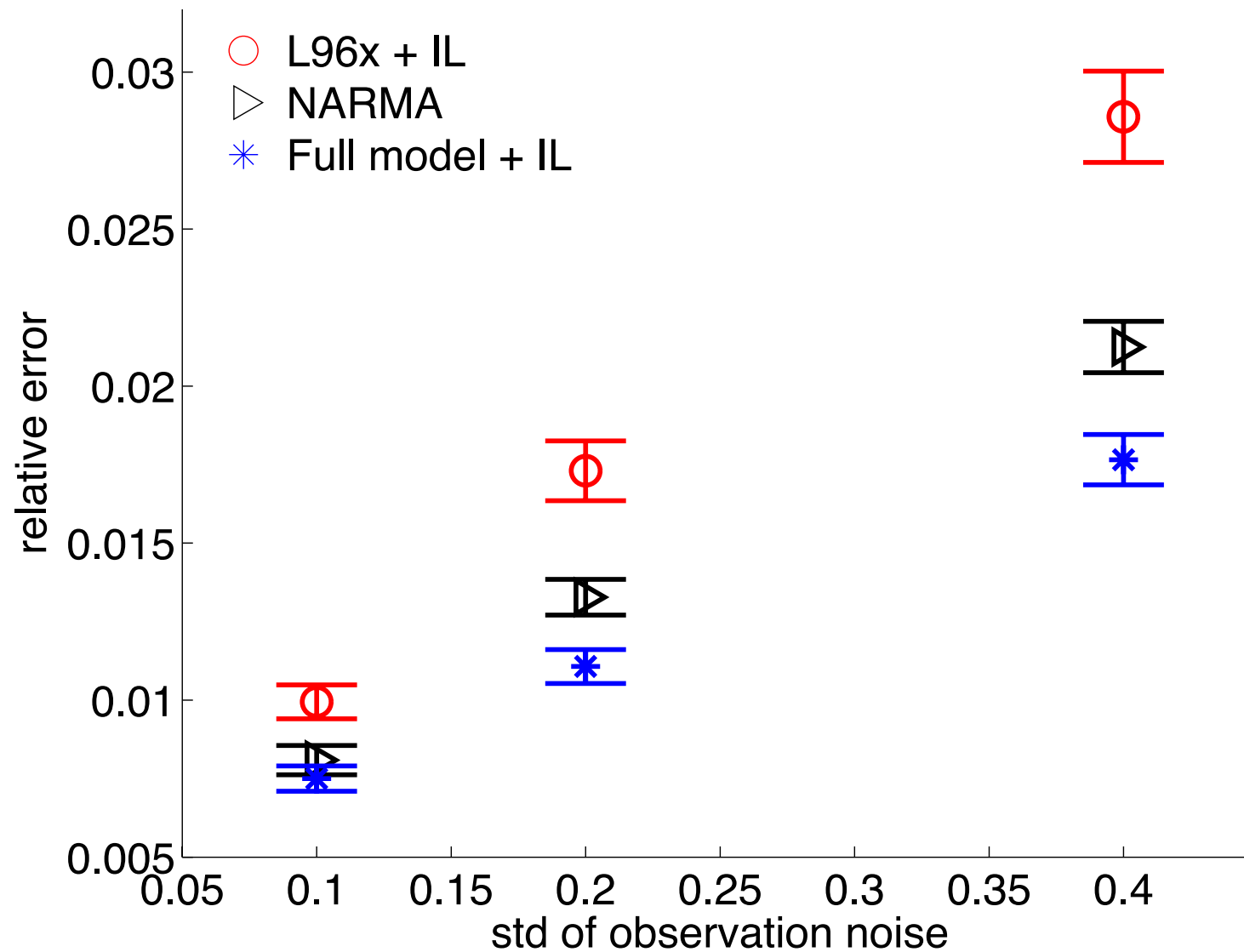
L96x/NARMA: 1000

Full model: 10

Numerical experiments:

Many simulations:

Mean relative error of **state estimation**

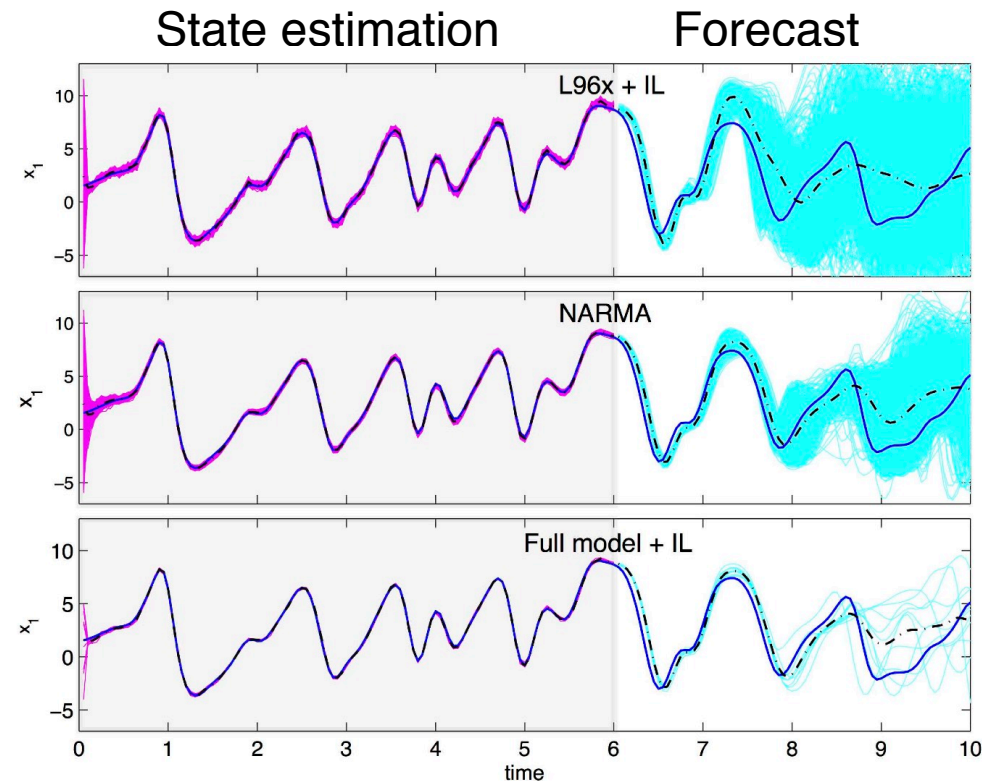
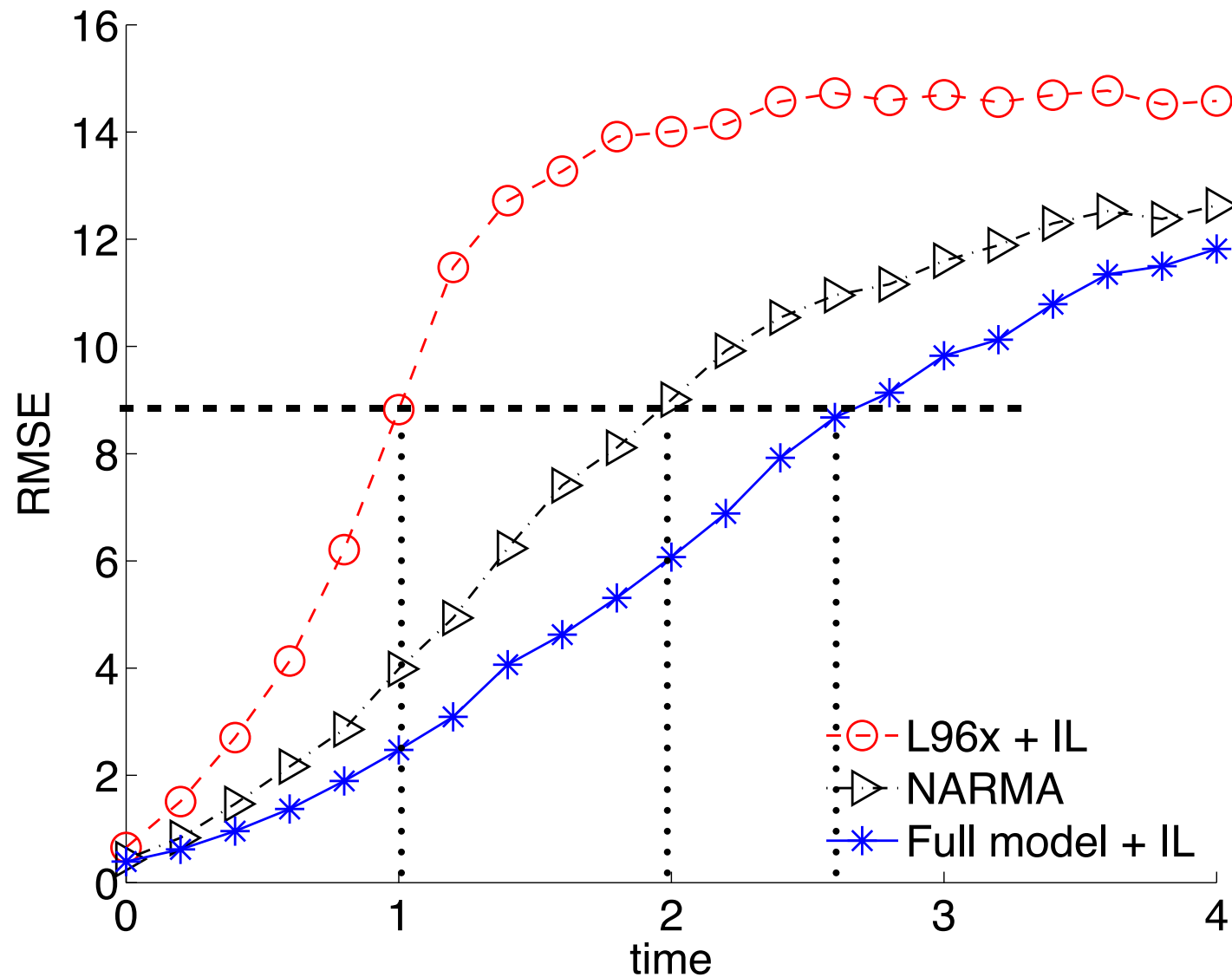


>>> NARMA yields better state estimation

Numerical experiments:

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Root mean square error of prediction



Forecast time

L96x+IL: ≈ 1.0

NARMA: ≈ 2.0

Full model: ≈ 2.6

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Open 1: Estimate/represent of U

- parametric /nonparametric regression and beyond
 - A. when simulated data are available
 - B. when only noisy observations of x

Open 2: DA with non-Markovian models

- particle filter/EnKF for non-Markovian SSM

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Thank you!

