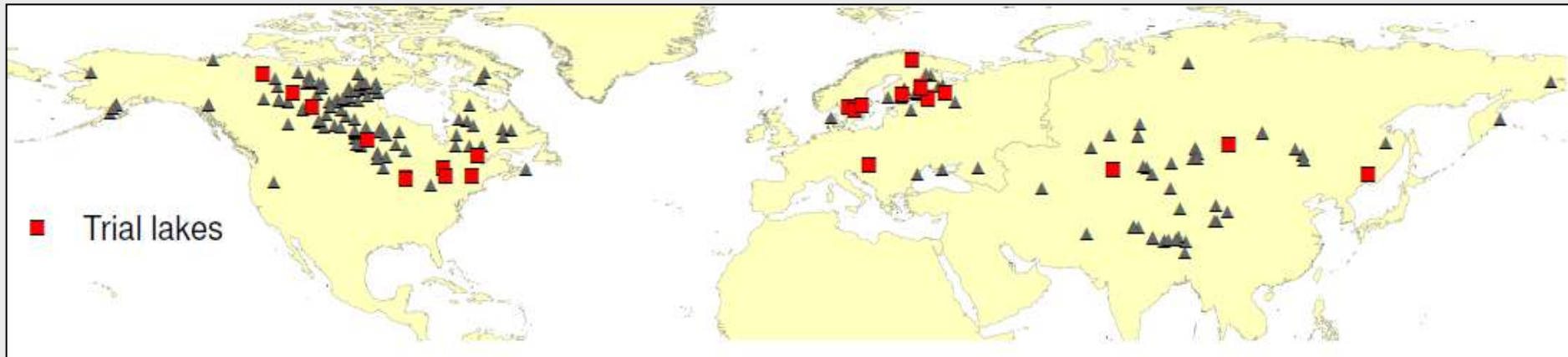


# Tuning of *FLake* model using ARC lake observational data to determine LSWTs of 159 large temperate lakes



29° to 69° N

mean lake depths (< 1 to 680 m)

surface areas 100 - 32,000 km<sup>2</sup>)

lake altitudes from -12 to >5000 m a.s.l.

salinity values up to 155 g/l

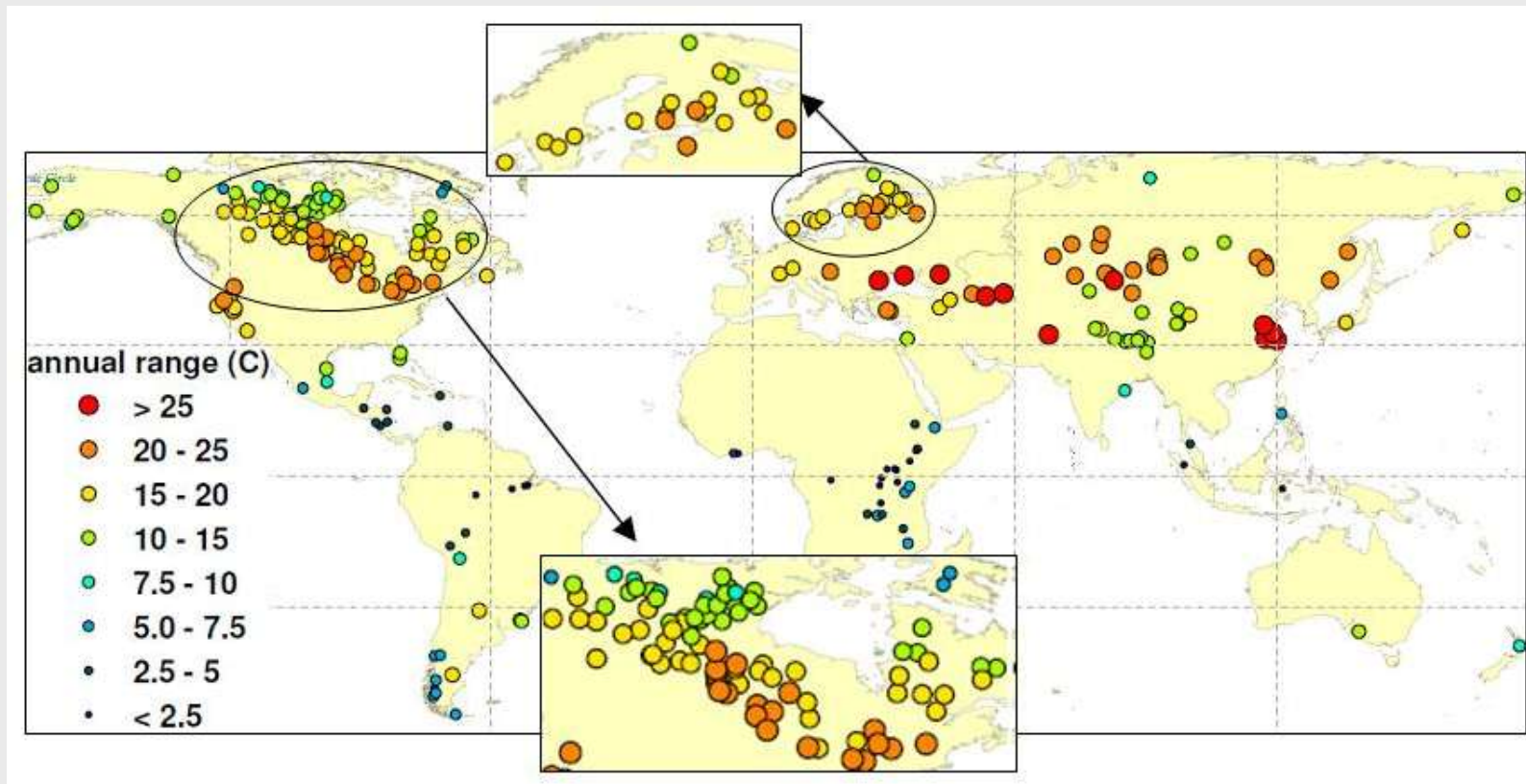


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# Observational data – ARC lake

- LSWTs of 247 globally distributed large lakes
- surface area  $> 500 \text{ km}^2$
- Along-Track Scanning Radiometers (ATSR)
- the period 1991 to 2011
- observations are made at  $\sim 1 \text{ km}$  resolution and averaged to  $5 \text{ km}$  resolution



# Why tune LSWT model?



- **FIXED** period of observational data (15-20 years)
- need for reliable and **CONTINUOUS** LSWTs
- **Uses;**
  - **better representation of lakes in NWP models**
  - **Assess affect of meteorological changes on LSWTs**
    - **Climate studies**
    - **Ecological studies**
  - **LSWT trends and climatology evaluation**

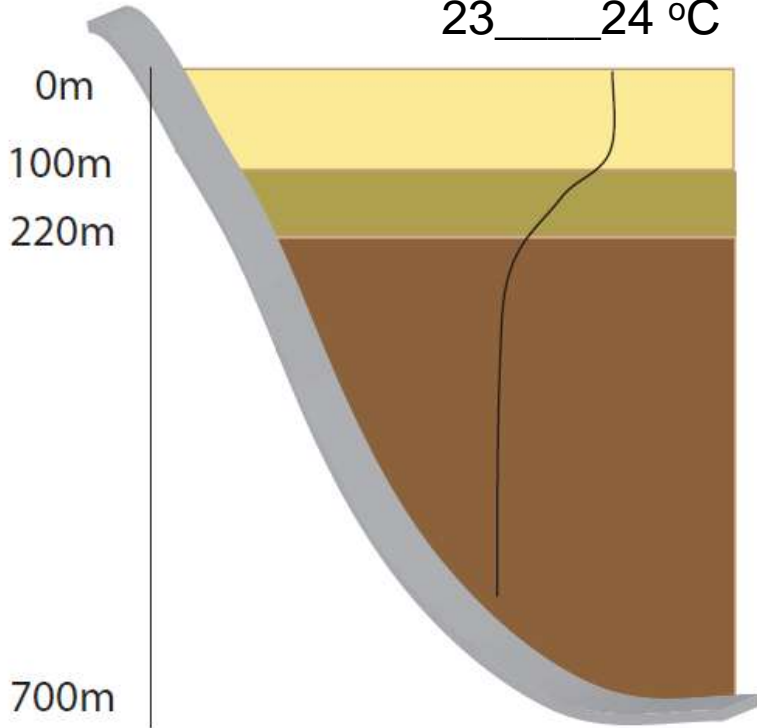
# The model - *FLake*

- 1d model predicts the vertical temperature structure and mixing
- forced with ECMWF ERA-Interim (>33 yrs)
  - **wind**, air temp, solar, cloud and vapour pressure
- lake-specific input parameters
  - ***Light extinction, depth, snow and ice albedo***
- outputs determined by the budgets of heat and kinetic energy

### Winter

Cool, dry and Windy (May - Aug)  
Trade winds (Sep - Nov)

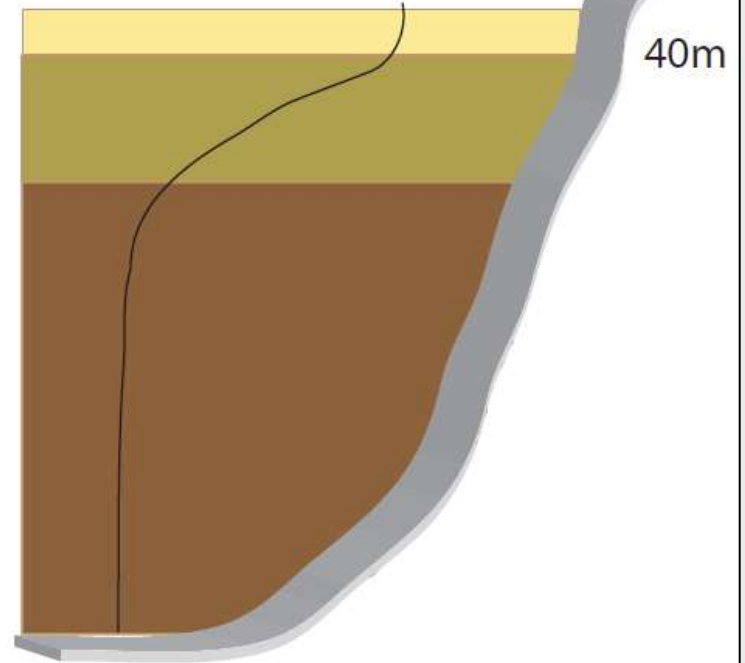
23 \_\_\_\_\_ 24 °C

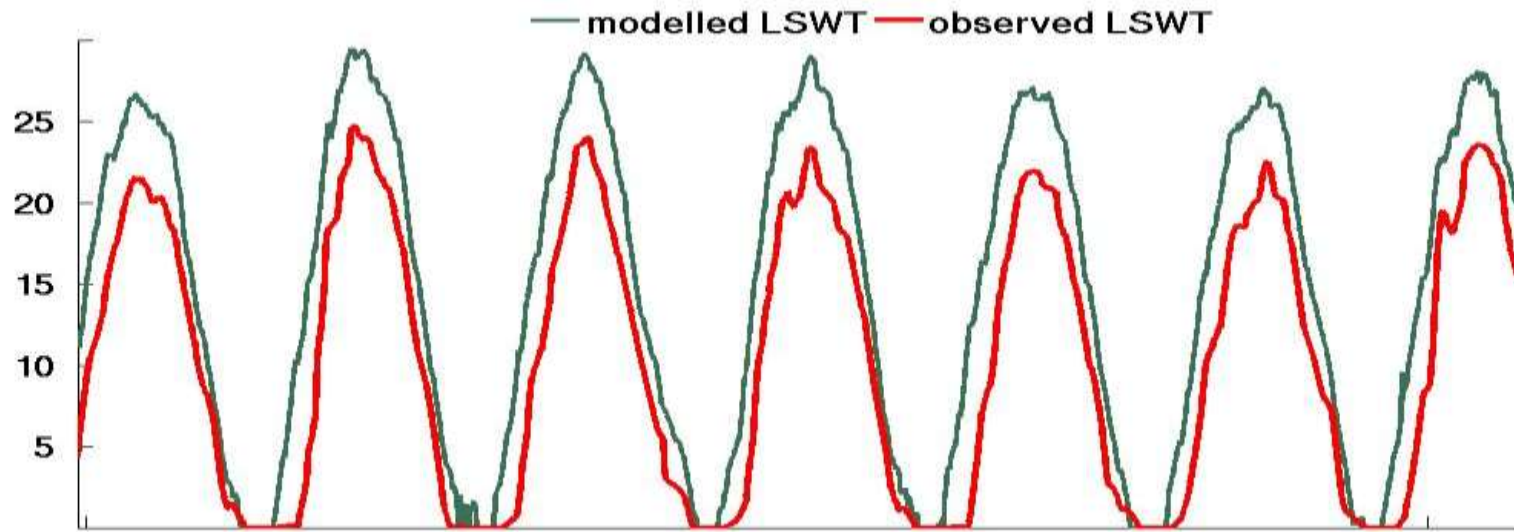


### Summer

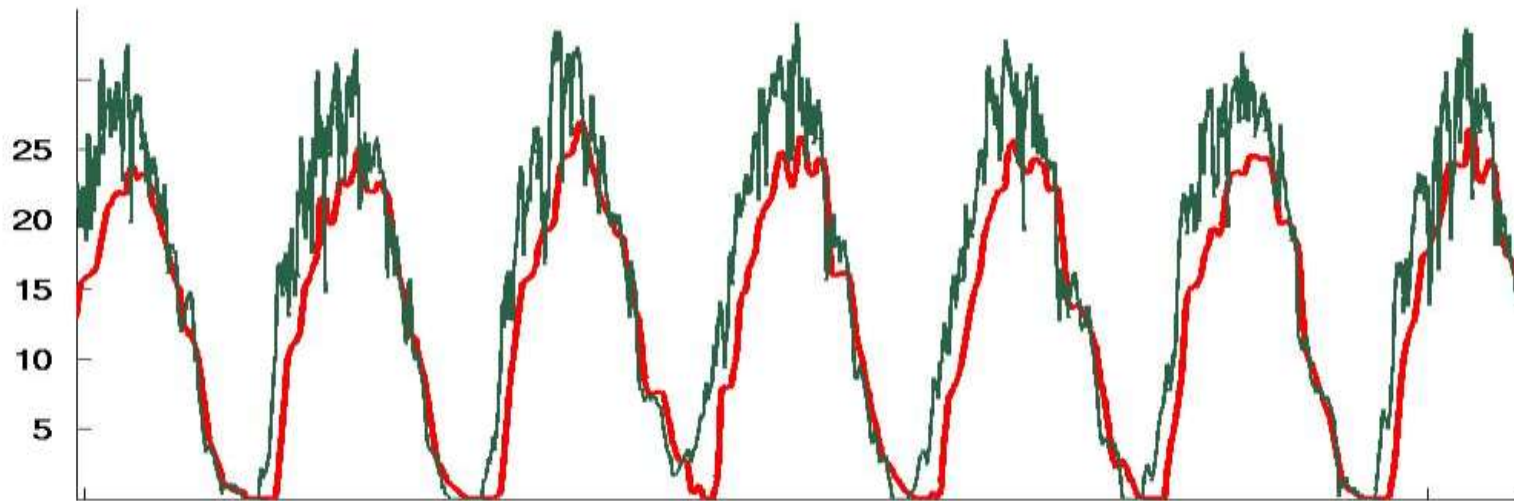
Warm and wet (Dec - Apr)

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Lake  
Simcoe

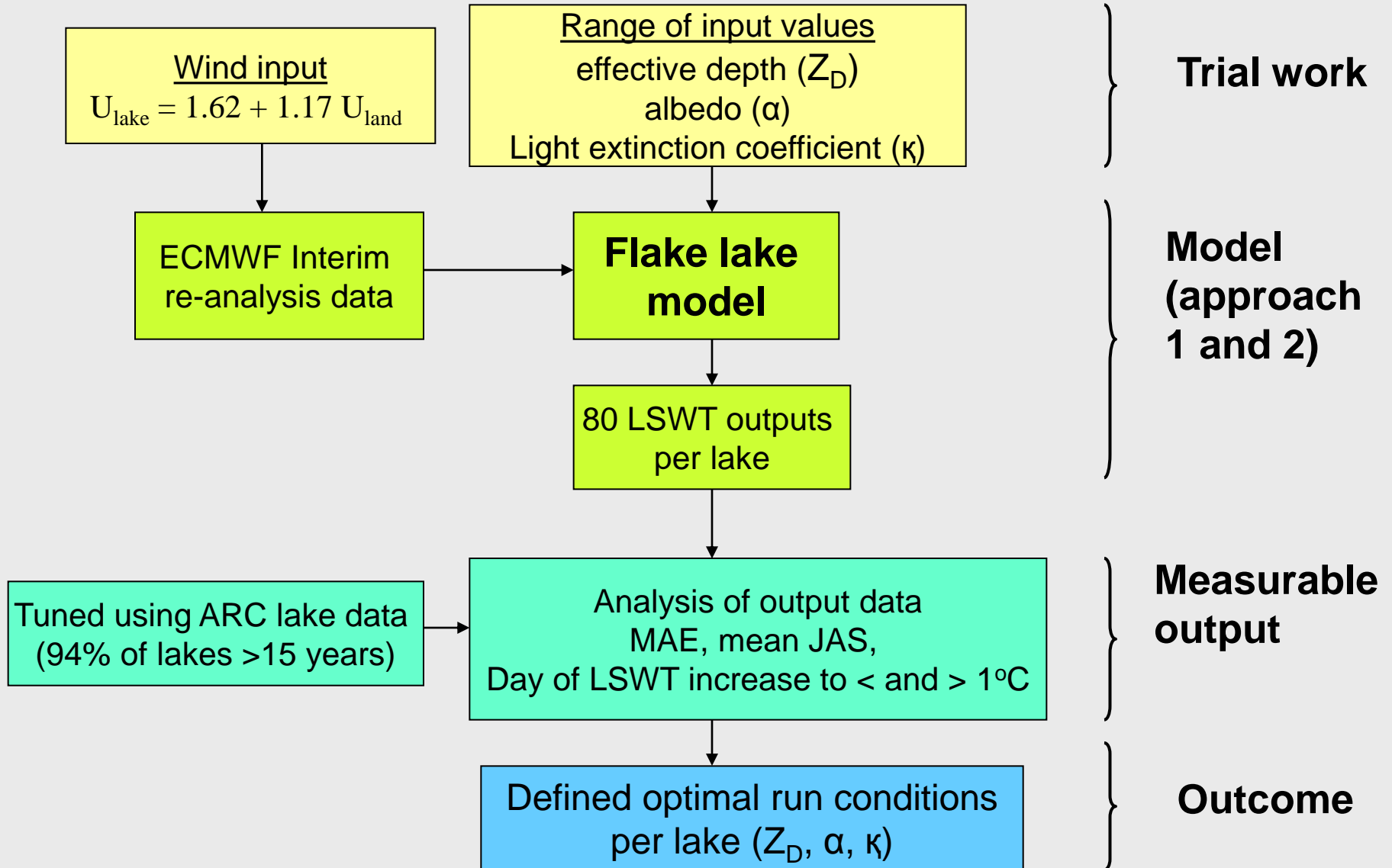


Lake  
Balaton

June 2000 to June 2006

	MAE (°C)	JAS (°C)	1 °C warming (day)
Simcoe	3.85	+4.97	-34
Balaton	3.59	+2.96	-30

# Overview



# Wind Trials

Trial	Light extinction coefficient $\kappa$	Albedo			Lake depth $Z_D$
		$\alpha$	Snow & white ice	Melting snow and blue ice	
1-3	derived from secchi disk	$\alpha_1$	0.60	0.10	$Z_{D1}$ (mean depth)

Wind input	No wind adjustment	wind x 1.2	1.62 + 1.17 $U_{land}$
Daily MAE (°C)	3.07 +/-2.25	2.66 +/-1.93	2.02 +/-1.30
Mean JAS (°C)	+3.71 +/-3.51	+3.07 +/-3.41	+1.87 +/-2.93
1°C cooling (days)	+12.0 +/-39.6	+7.9 +/-33.3	+1 +/-30.5
1°C warming (days)	- 27.1 +/-29.7	- 23.6 +/-22.7	- 20.3 +/-18.4



# Optimization approach 1

Light extinction coefficient $K$				Albedo			Effective depth $Z_D$
				$\alpha$	Snow & white ice	Melting snow and blue ice	
$K$	375nm	475nm	700nm				
$K_1$	0.038	0.018	0.56	$\alpha_1$	0.60	0.10	$Z_{D1}$
$K_2$	0.052	0.025	0.57	$\alpha_2$	0.80	0.60	$Z_{D2}$ ( $Z_{D1} \times 0.75$ )
$K_3$	0.066	0.033	0.58	$\alpha_3$	0.80	0.40	$Z_{D3}$ ( $Z_{D1} \times 0.50$ )
$K_4$	0.122	0.062	0.61	$\alpha_4$	0.60	0.30	$Z_{D4}$ ( $Z_{D1} \times 1.50$ )
$K_5$	0.22	0.116	0.66				



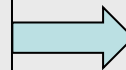
**134 lakes – good results**



**25 lakes – poor results**



- 1°C cooling day > 15 days early
- JAS LSWT cooler by > 2 °C



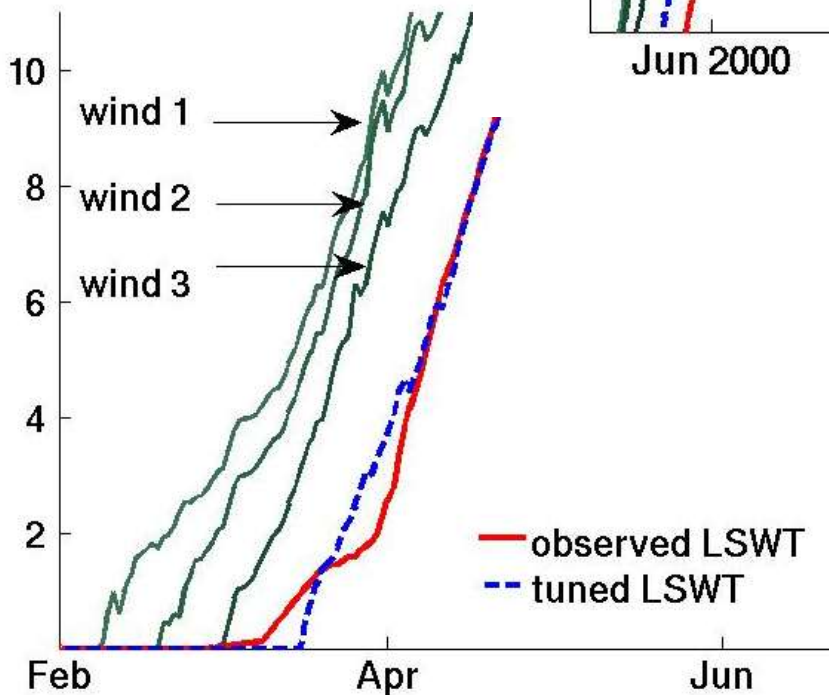
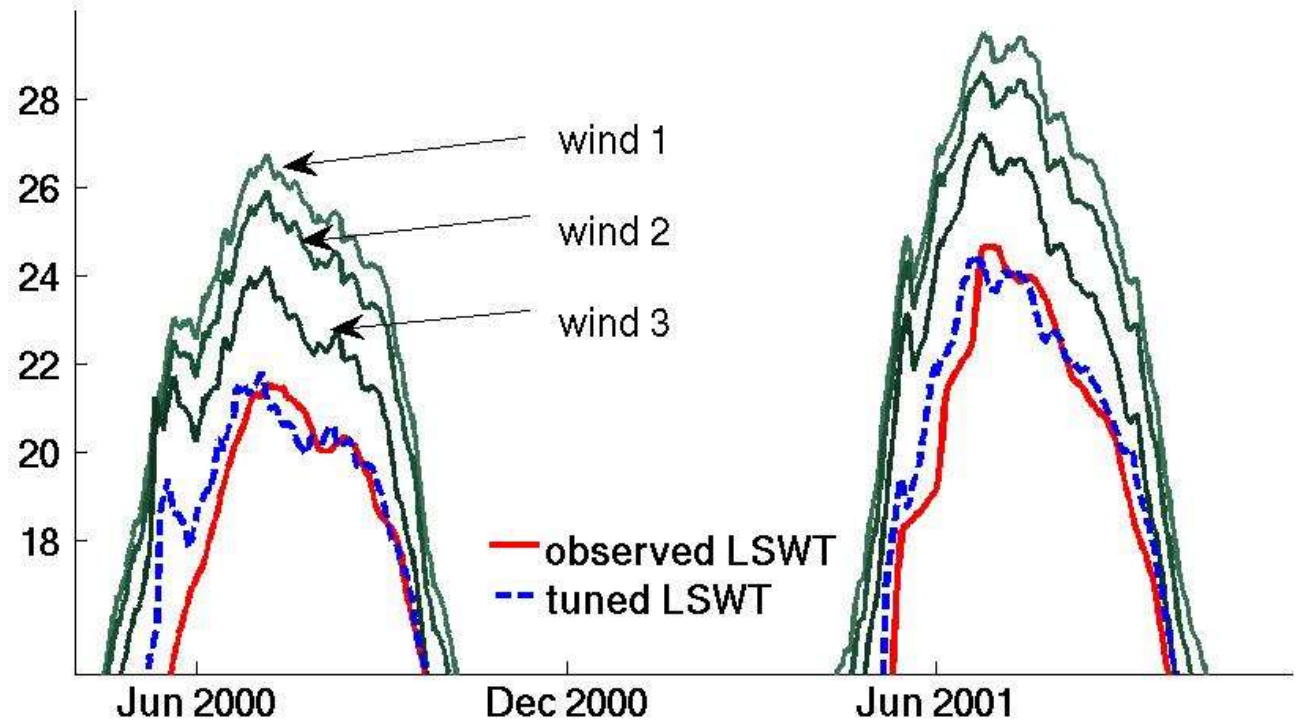
**Optimization approach 2**

$Z_D \times 1.5$  to  $Z_D \times 4$   
**2 coastal ocean**

# Tuned model - results

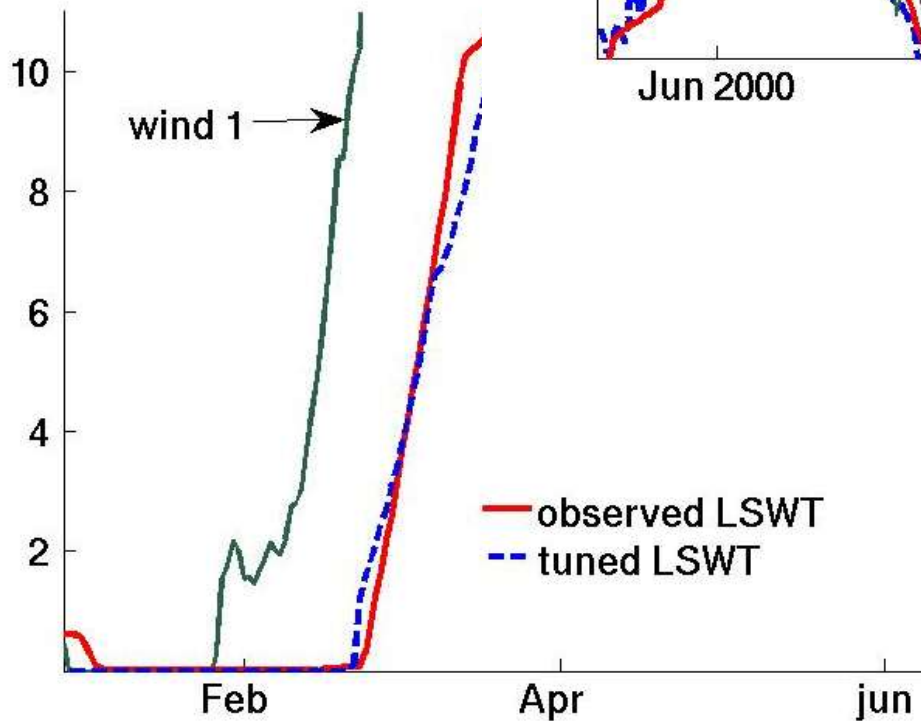
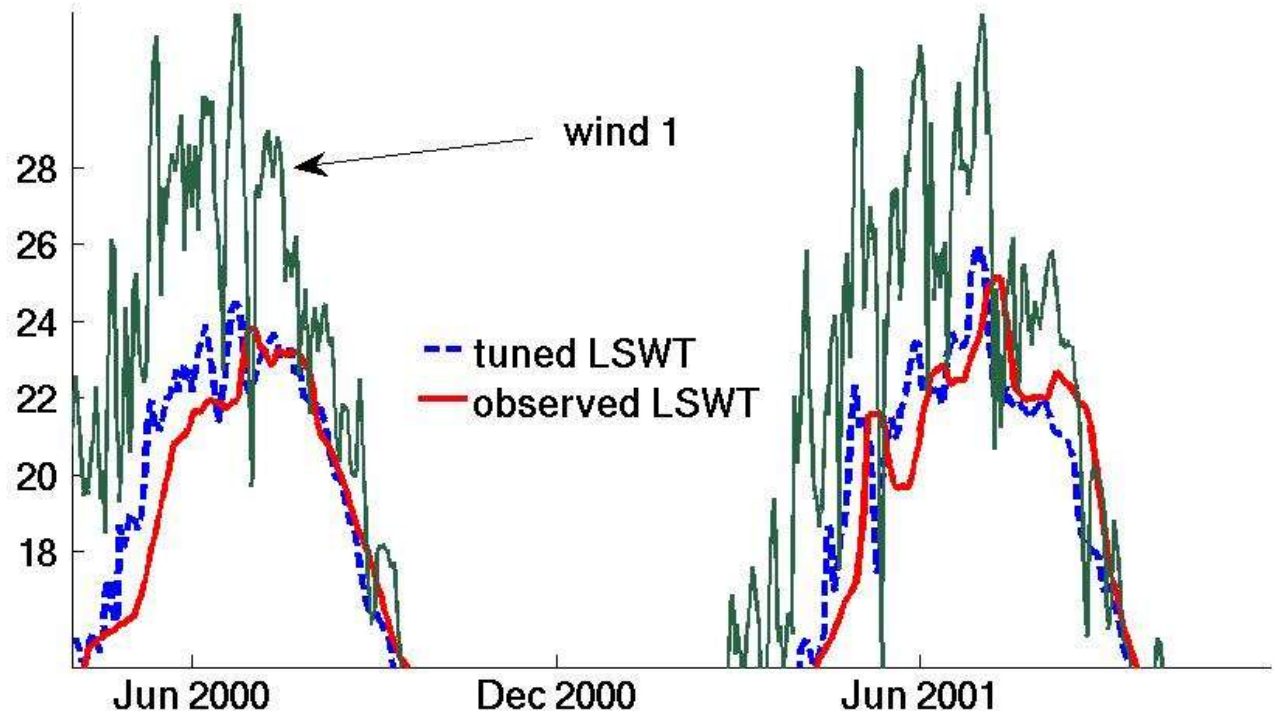
Measured output	21 lakes	Approach 1 (134 lakes)	Approach 2 (25 lakes)
Daily MAE (°C)	0.84 +/- 0.51	0.74 +/-0.48	1.11 +/-0.56
Mean JAS (°C)	+0.12 +/- 1.09	-0.01 +/-1.11	- 0.33 +/-1.22
1°C cooling (day)	+1.6 +/- 12.8	-1 +/-8.7	-1.3 +/-6.9
1°C warming (day)	+0.2 +/- 10.65	+1 +/-12.7	- 1 +/-10.2

# Lake Simcoe

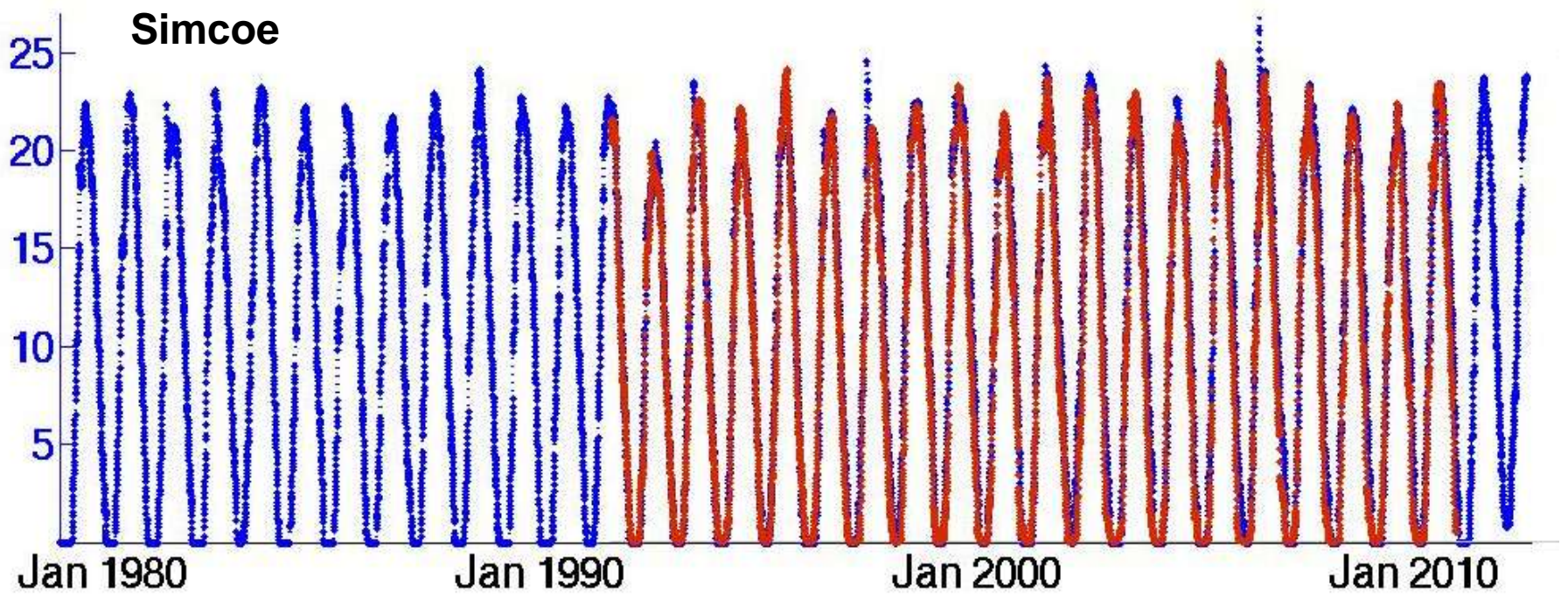
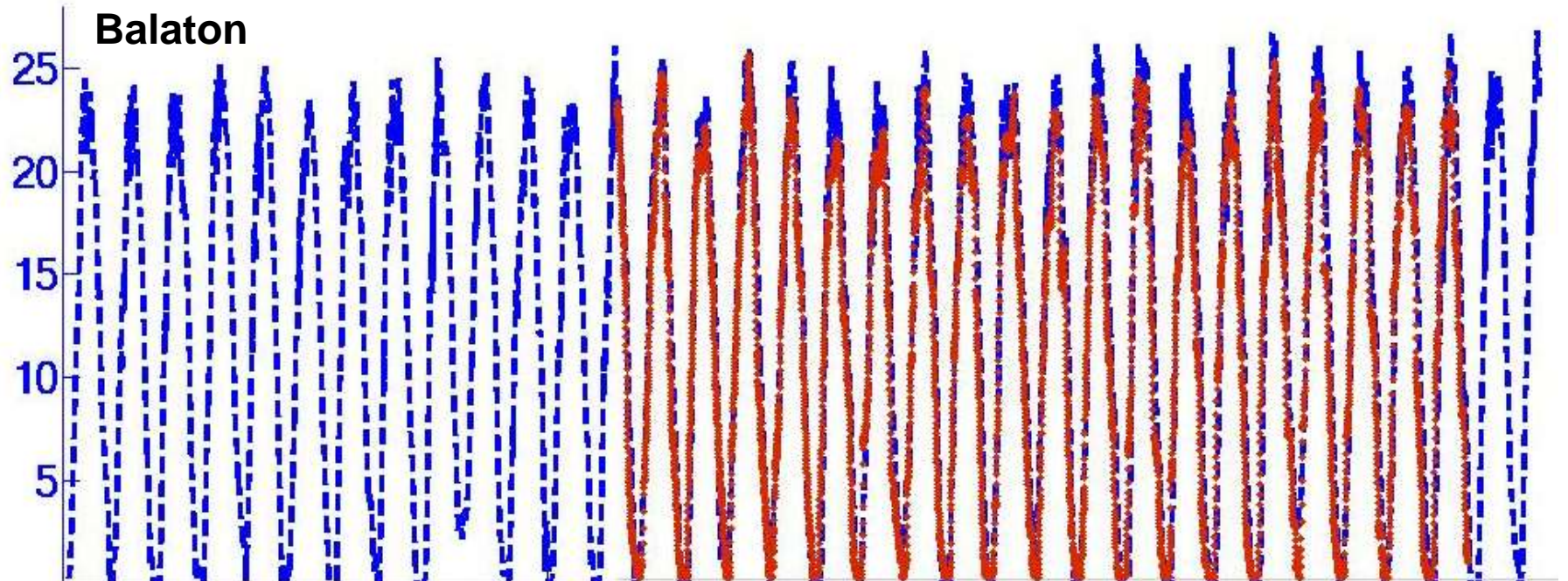


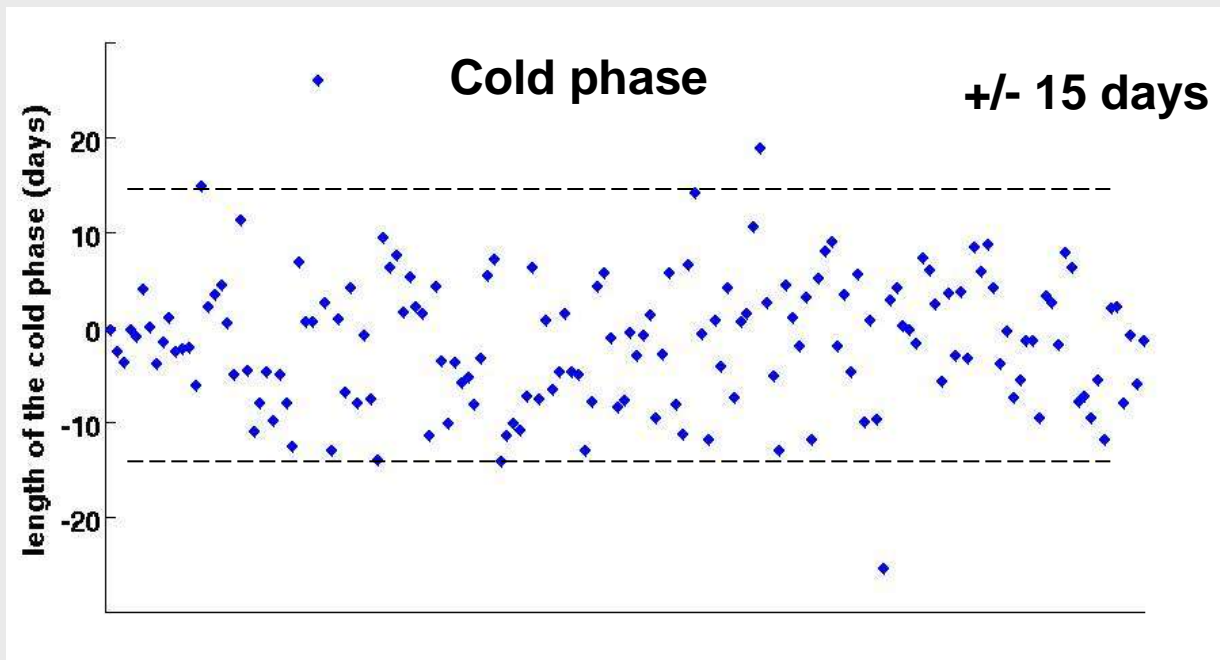
	Wind 1	tuned
MAE (°C)	3.85	1.08
Mean JAS (°C)	+4.97	+0.25
1 °C warming (day)	- 34	-4

# Lake Balaton

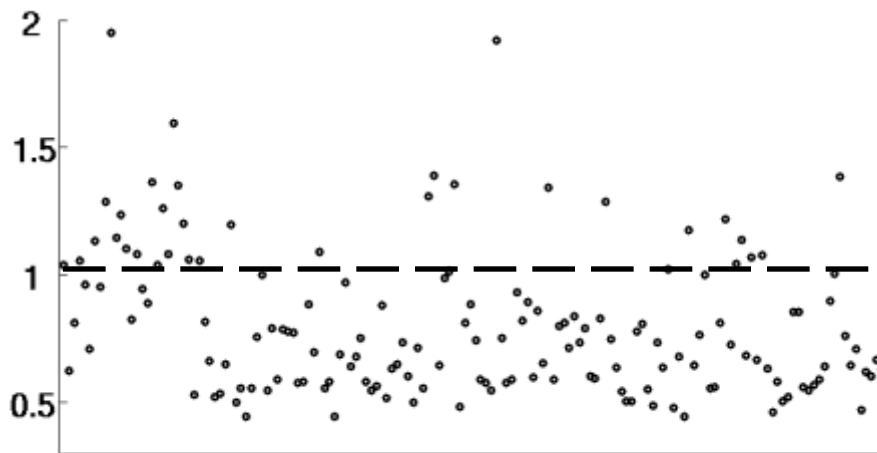


	Wind 1	tuned
MAE (°C)	3.59	1.04
Mean JAS (°C)	+2.96	+0.18
1 °C warming (day)	- 30	-4

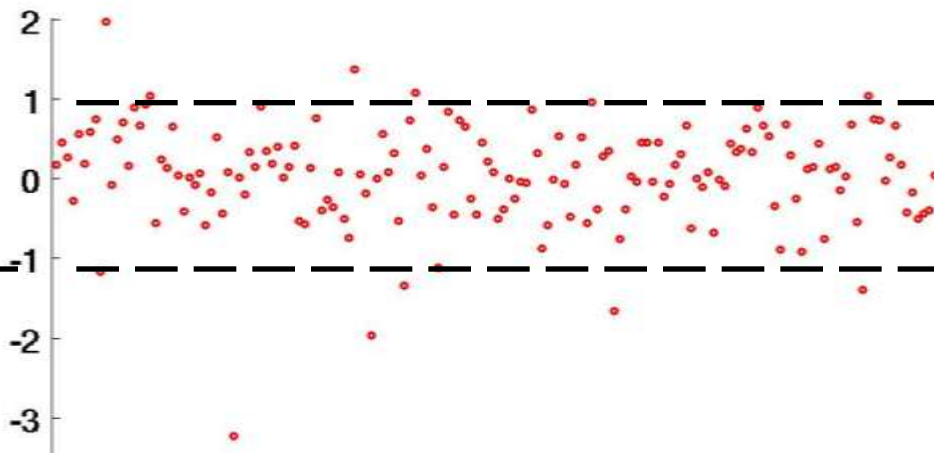




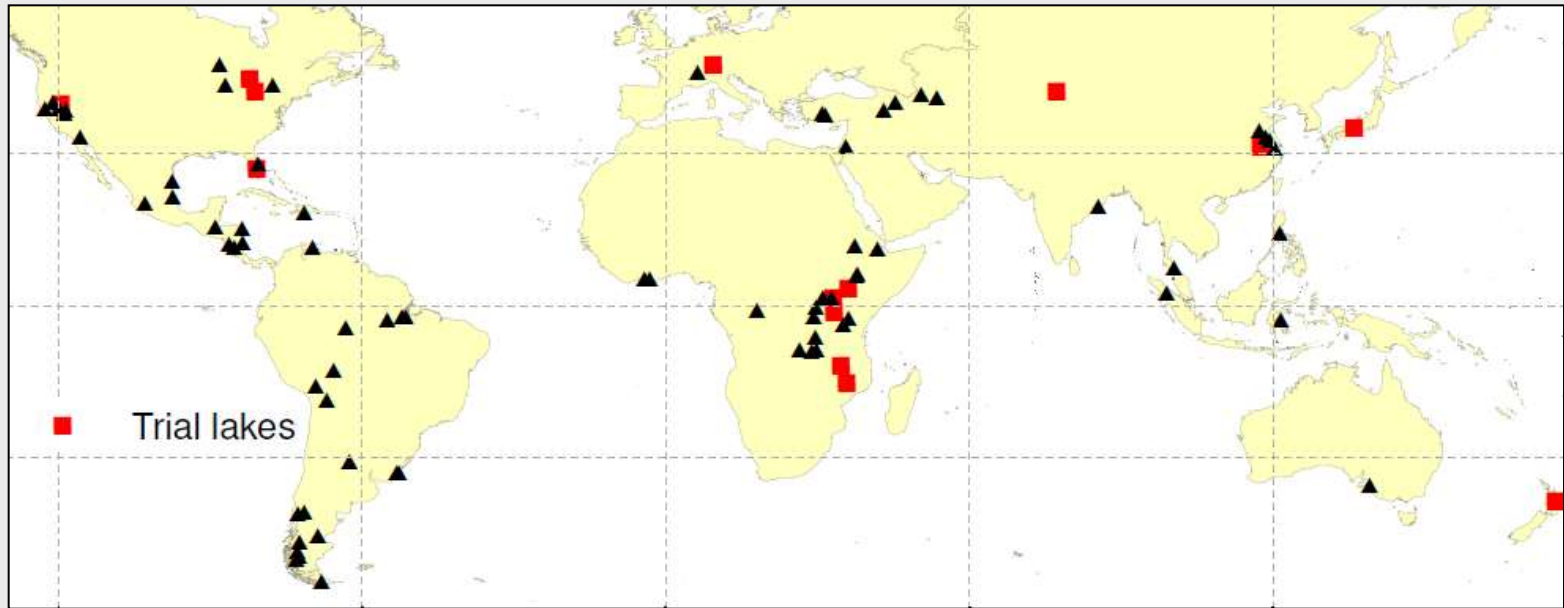
**Daily MAE (°C)**



**Mean JAS (°C)**



# Non-freezing lakes



**-55° to 47° N**

**mean lake depths (< 1 to 572 m)**

**surface areas 100 - 82,000 km<sup>2</sup>)**

**lake altitudes from -404 to 3800 m a.s.l.**

**salinity values up to 149 g/l**

## Tuning approach works;

- daily MAE from **3.07 °C +/- 2.25** to **0.80 °C +/- 0.56**
- cold phase difference from **39 days +/- 59** to **1.5 days +/- 14**
- expect similar improvements from non-freezing lakes

## Next

- complete tuning for non freezing lakes
- Assess LSWT global trends over 33 year period



**Thank you**  
**Questions?**



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# Calibration

	Approach 1			Approach 2		
Year	2011 Untuned	1996 Tuned (atsr2)	2010 Tuned (aatsr)	2011 Untuned	1996 Tuned (aatsr2)	2010 Tuned (aatsr)
Daily MAE (°C)	0.86 +/-0.68	0.75 +/-0.74	0.87 +/-0.71	1.59 +/-1.04	1.33 +/-0.79	1.66 +/-0.95
JAS_diff (°C)	+0.18 +/-1.50	-0.33 +/-1.79	+0.30 +/-1.51	+0.12 +/-1.71	+0.17 +/-1.19	+0.28 +/-1.81
cp_diff (days)	-3.9 +/-28.3	+7.16 +/-36.1	-2.0 28.8	-1.5 +/-30.7	+16.4 +/-43.2	-10.8 +/-48.4