

# Foundation Models for Time Series Analysis

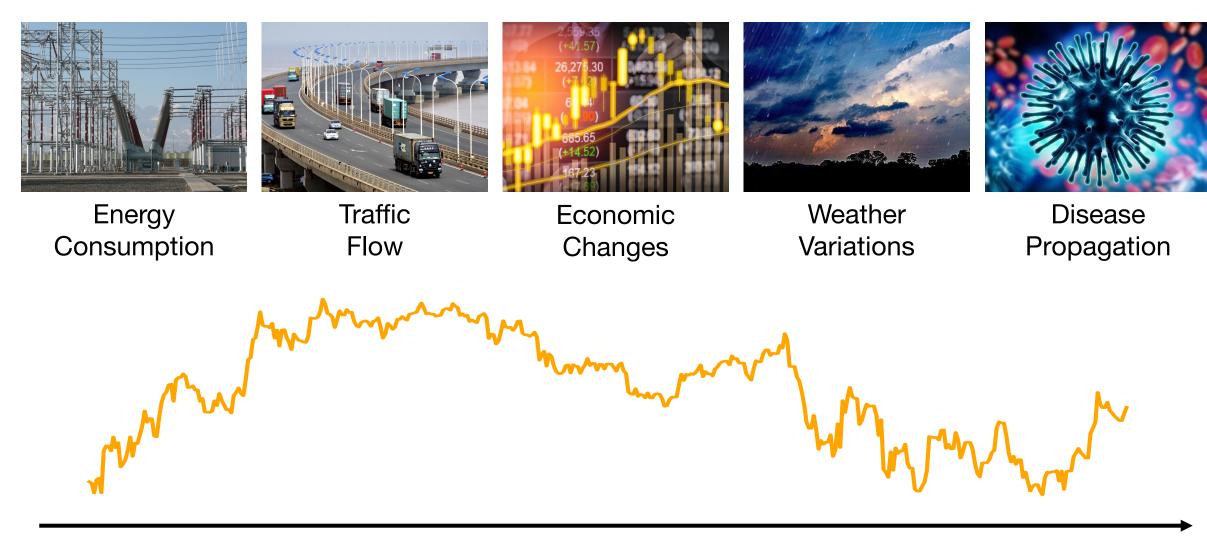
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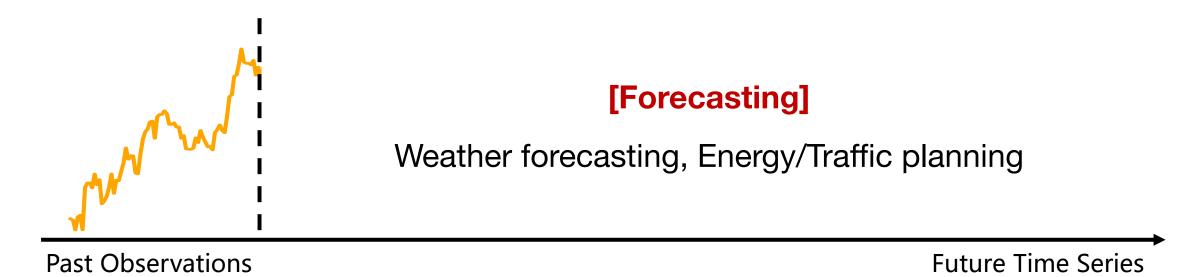
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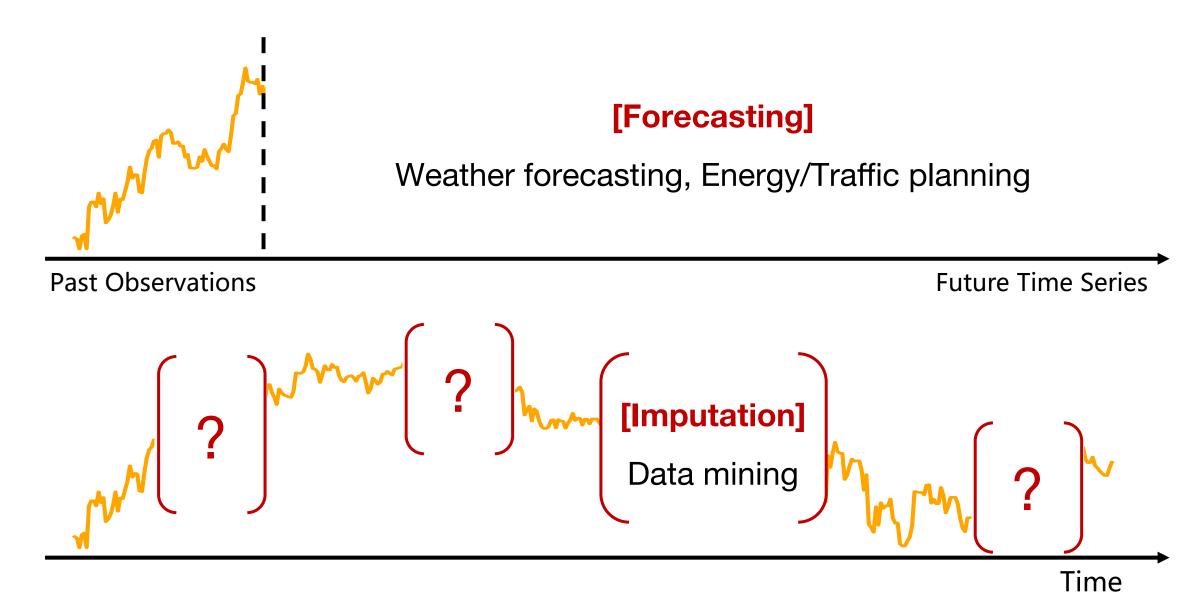
### Time Series In Real World



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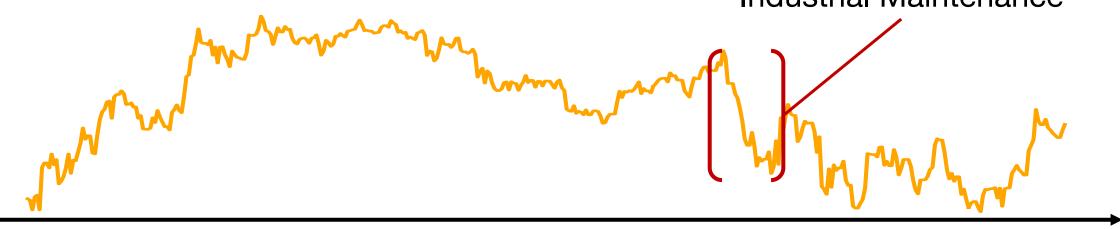
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#### [Anomaly Detection]



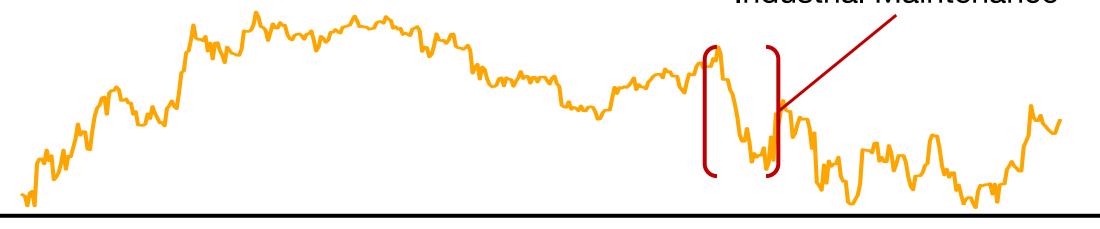


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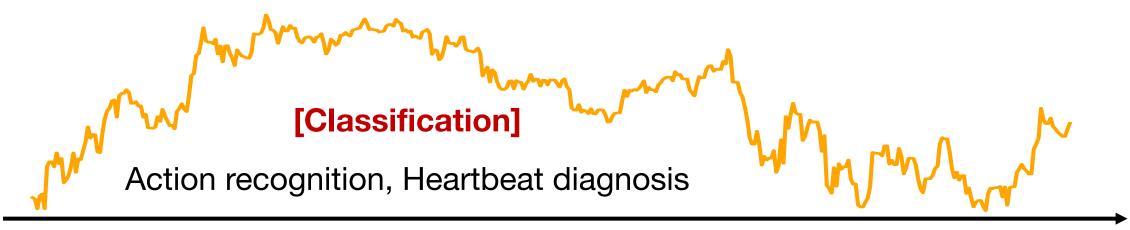


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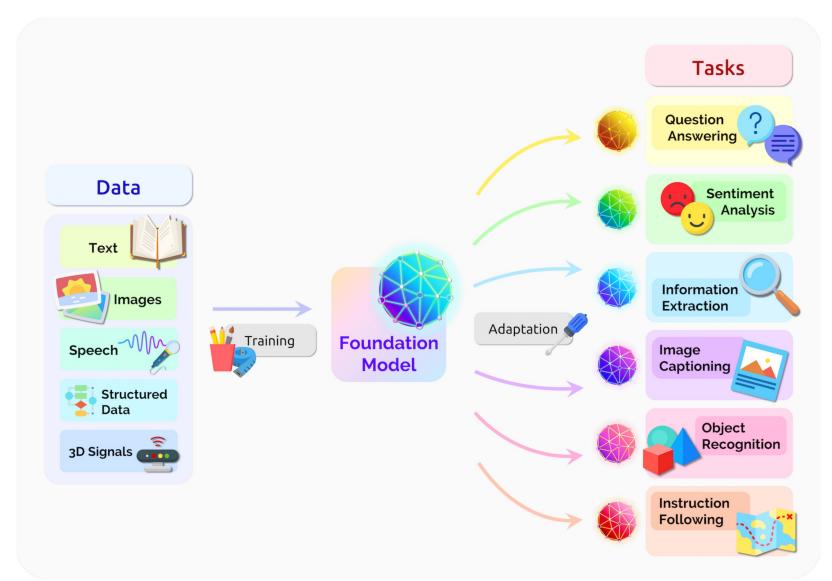
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Time



# In Pursing Foundation Models



#### [Data Universal]

Learn from various modalities

#### [Task Universal]

Adapt to a wide range of downstream tasks

## In Pursing Foundation Models

**Training** [Proper Training Strategy] **Versatile Foundation Model** Model [Task-Universal Backbone] (Large Model) [High-quality Large-scale Data] Data





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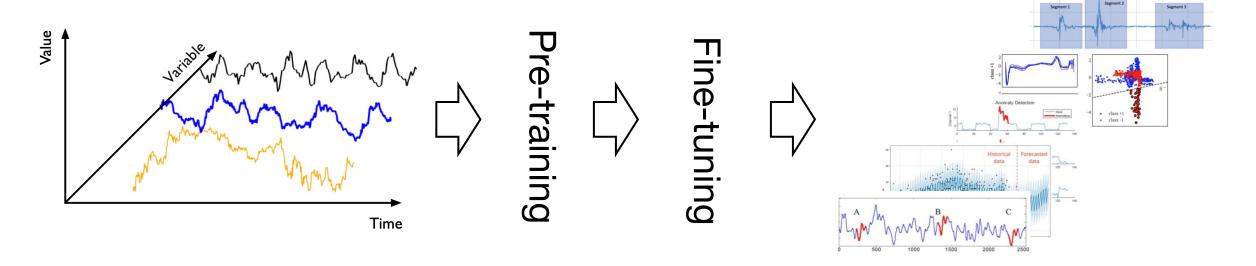


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# Time Series Pre-training



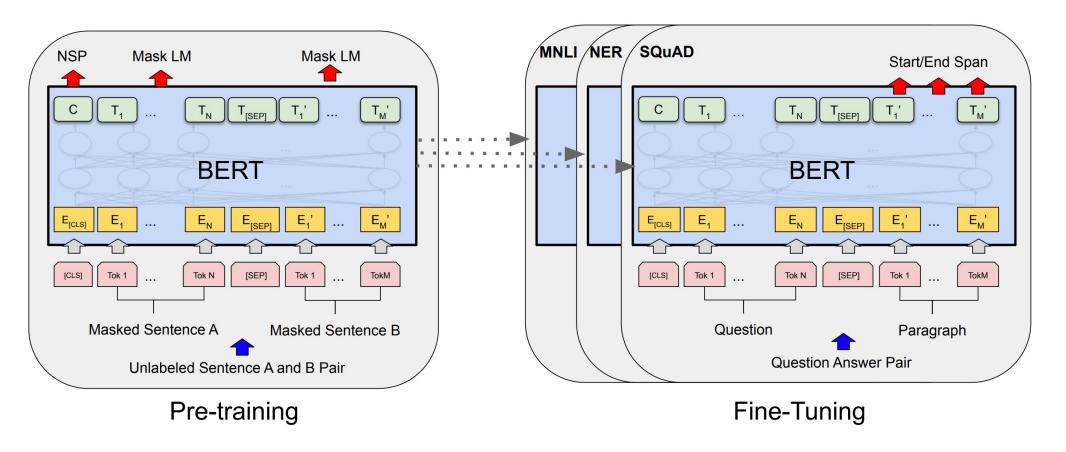
Large-scale time series data

Diversified time series analysis tasks

- 1 Use the model as the carrier of knowledge.
- (2) Learn transferable temporal representations.

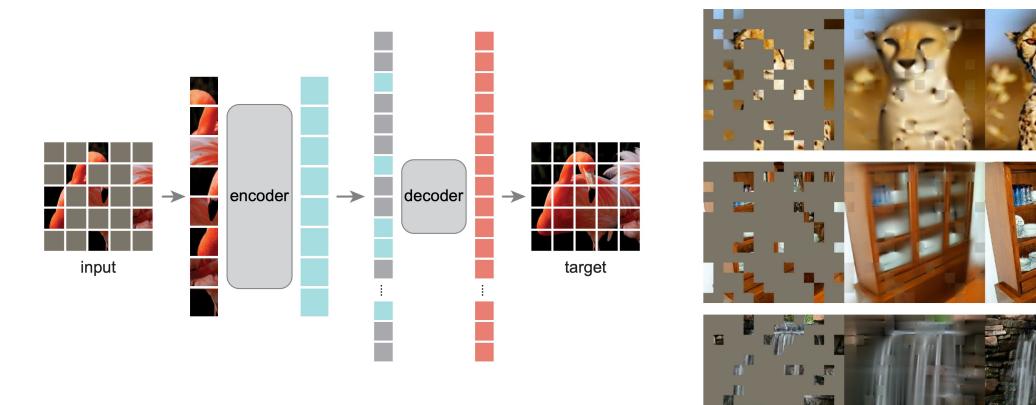
# Masked Modeling in NLP

#### Random mask a portion of words.

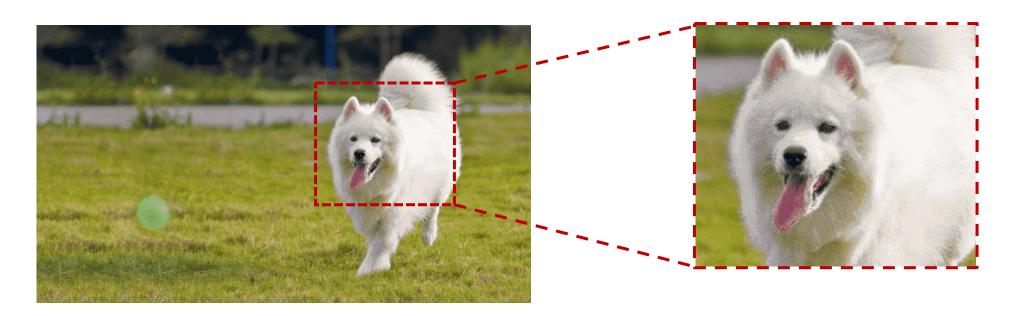


Devlin et al. BERT: Pre-training of Deep Bidirectional Transformers for Language Understanding. ACL 2019.

# Masked Modeling in CV



Random mask a portion of patches.



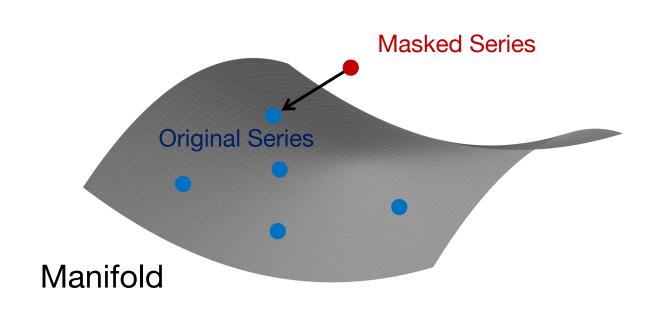
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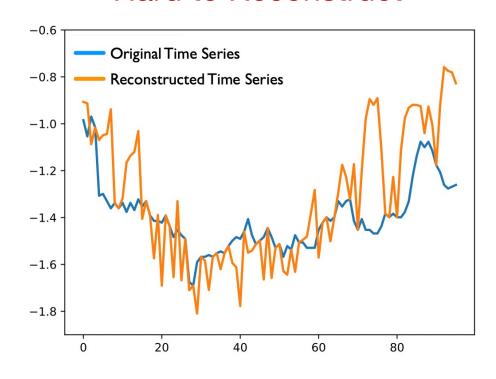


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# Canonical Masked Modeling in Time Series



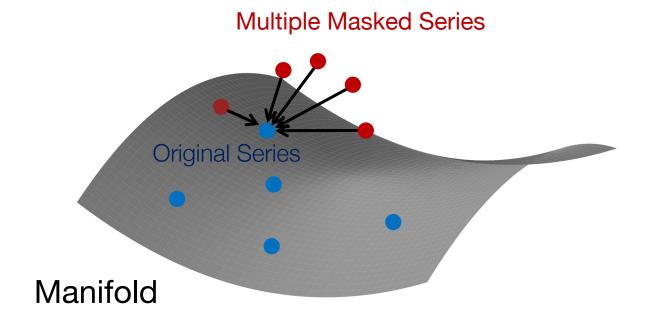
#### Hard to Reconstruct



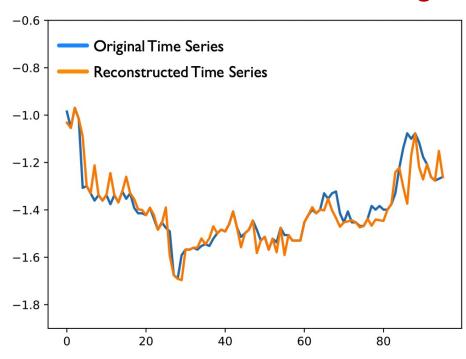
#### ✓ Direct Reconstruction

Directly masking a portion of time points will seriously ruin the temporal variations of the original time series.

# Multiple Masked Modeling



#### **Benefit Masked Modeling**



#### √ Neighborhood Aggregation

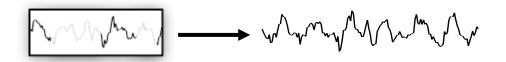
Multiple randomly masked series will complement each other.

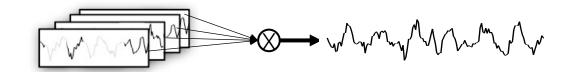
# Neighborhood Aggregation Masked Modeling

#### **Canonical**



#### **Neighborhood Aggregation**

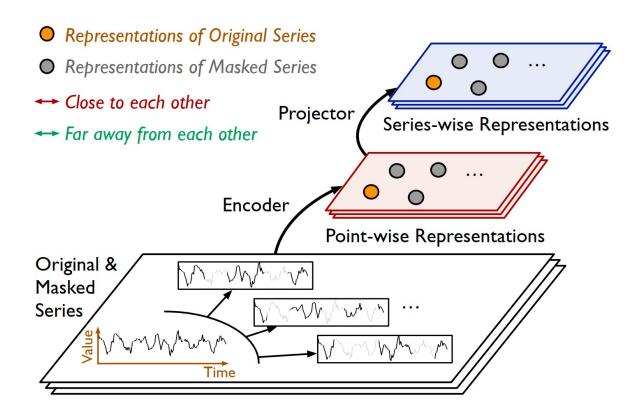




- Critical information destruction
- Mask ratio sensitive
- X Reconstruction difficulty

- Multi-information perspective
- ✓ Information complementation
- ✓ Learnable aggregate weight

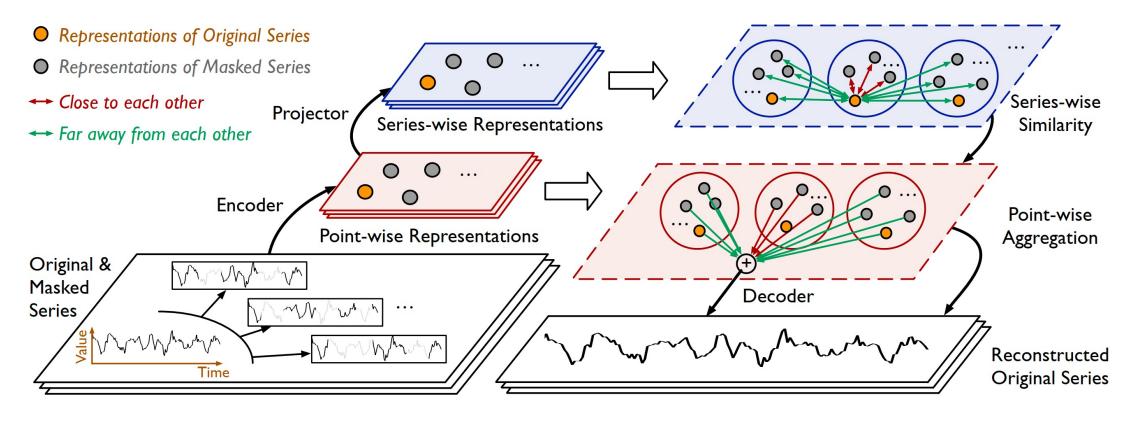
# Overall design of SimMTM



Generate original & masked series representations.

- 1 Point-wise Representations
- 2 Series-wise Representations

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1 Series-wise Similarity 2 Point-wise Aggregation

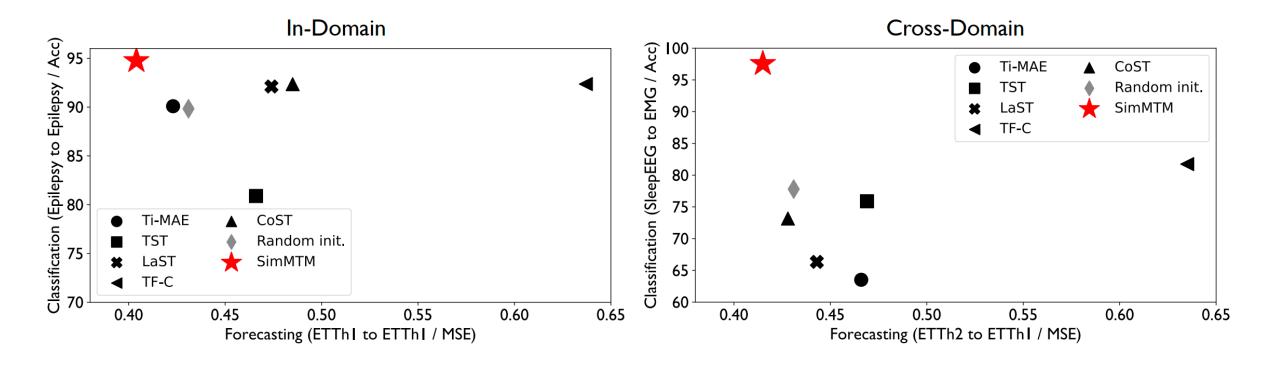
Multiple masked series complete each other and adaptive aggregate weight.

# Experiment: Overall

Tasks	Datasets	Semantic			
	ETTh1,ETTh2	Electricity			
Forecasting	ETTm1,ETTm2	Electricity			
	Weather	Weather			
	Electricity	Electricity			
	Traffic	Transportation			
Classification	SleepEEG	EEG			
	<b>Epilepsy</b>	EEG			
	FD-B	Faulty Detection			
	Gesture	Hand Movement			
	EMG	Muscle Responses			

- ✓ Two typical time series analysis tasks: Forecasting and Classification.
- ✓ Under multiple experiment settings: In- and Cross domain
- ✓ Compared to 6 advanced baselines in 12 databases.

# Experiment: Overall



SimMTM pretraining can benefit

both forecasting and classification tasks.

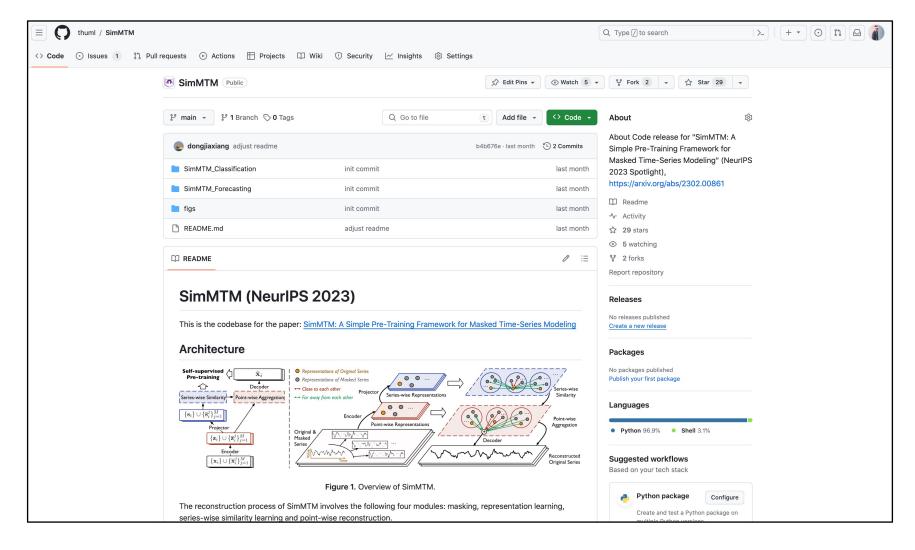
# Model Generality on diverse base models

Dataset	ETTh1		ETTh2		ETTm1		ETTm2		_
Model	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	MSE	MAE	
Transformer [39] + SimMTM	1.088 <b>0.927</b>	0.836 <b>0.761</b>	4.103 <b>3.498</b>	1.612 <b>1.487</b>	0.901 <b>0.809</b>	0.704 <b>0.663</b>	1.624 1.322	0.901 <b>0.808</b>	<b>^</b>
Autoformer [47] + SimMTM	0.573 <b>0.561</b>	0.573 <b>0.568</b>	0.550 <b>0.543</b>	0.559 <b>0.555</b>	0.615 <b>0.553</b>	0.528 <b>0.505</b>	0.324 <b>0.315</b>	0.368 <b>0.360</b>	1
NS Transformer [24] + SimMTM	0.570 <b>0.543</b>	0.537 <b>0.527</b>	0.526 <b>0.493</b>	0.516 <b>0.514</b>	0.481 <b>0.431</b>	0.456 <b>0.455</b>	0.306 <b>0.301</b>	0.347 <b>0.345</b>	1
PatchTST [26] + Sub-series Masking + SimMTM	0.417 0.430↓ <b>0.409</b>	0.431 0.445↓ <b>0.428</b>	0.331 0.355↓ <b>0.329</b>	0.379 0.394↓ 0.379	0.352 <b>0.341</b> 0.348	0.382 0.379 <b>0.378</b>	0.258 0.258 <b>0.254</b>	0.317 0.318↓ <b>0.313</b>	<u></u>

SimMTM can consistently improve

the forecasting performance of diverse base models.

# Open Source



Code is available at <a href="https://github.com/thuml/SimMTM">https://github.com/thuml/SimMTM</a>



# TIMESNET: TEMPORAL 2D-VARIATION MODELING FOR GENERAL TIME SERIES ANALYSIS

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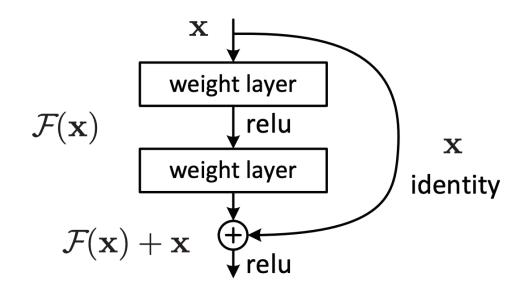


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#### Foundation Models in CV and NLP

#### **Universal backbone with**

task-specific heads for different tasks.



Output **Probabilities** Softmax Linear Add & Norm Feed Forward Add & Norm Add & Norm Multi-Head Feed Attention  $N \times$ Forward Add & Norm N× Add & Norm Masked Multi-Head Multi-Head Attention Attention Positional Positional Encoding Encoding Output Input Embeddina Embedding Inputs Outputs (shifted right)

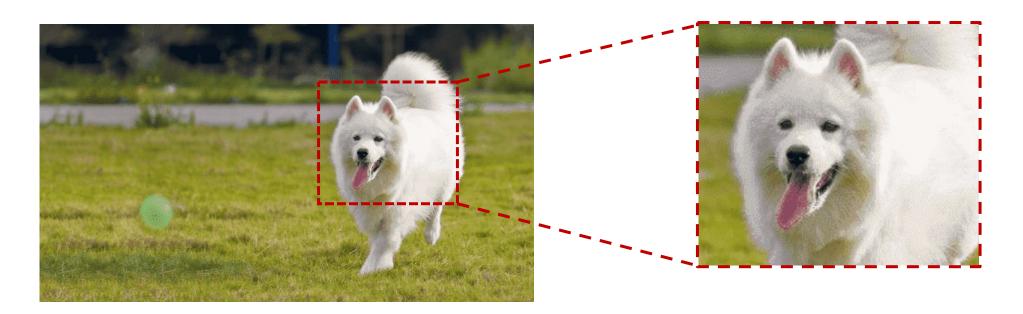
Classification, Object detection, Segmentation

Classification, Generation



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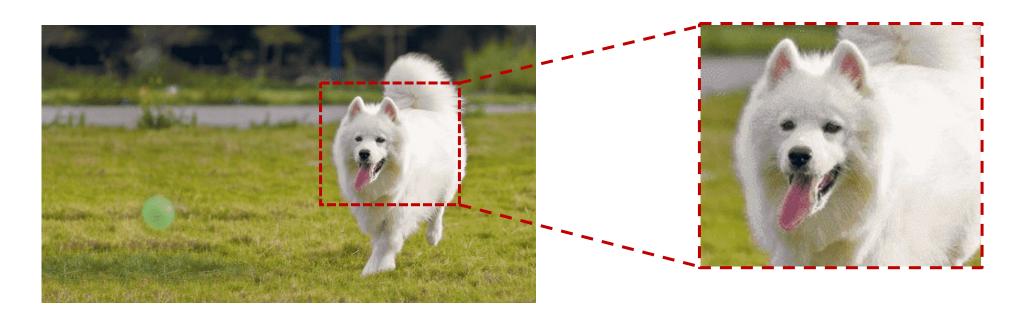


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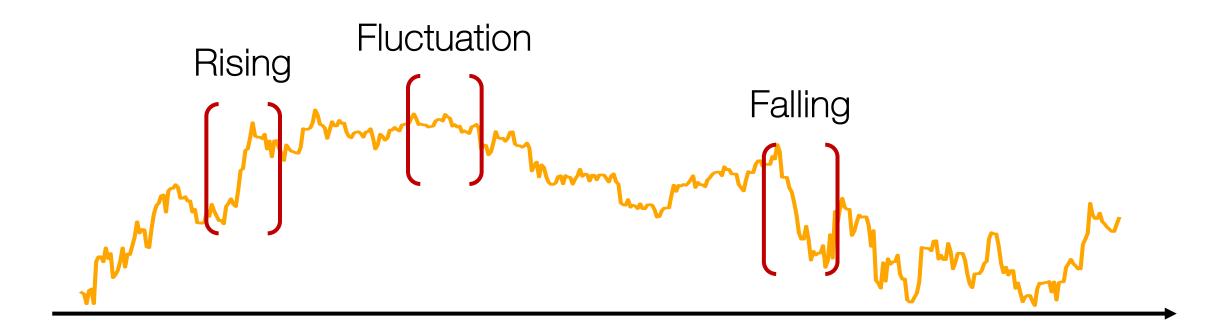
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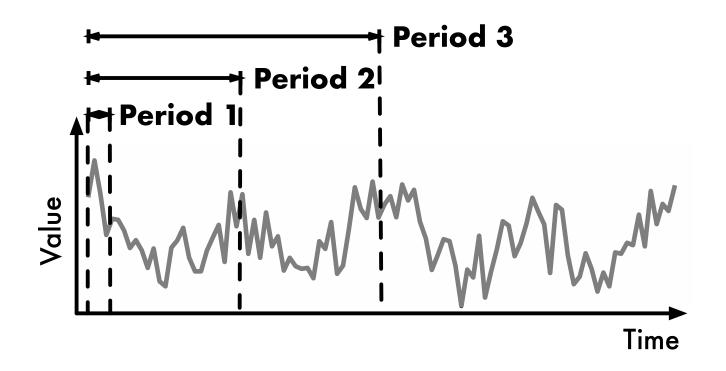
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# Temporal Variations of Time Series

More information of time series is in temporal variations, such as continuity, periodicity, trend and etc.



# Multi-periodicity View of Time Series





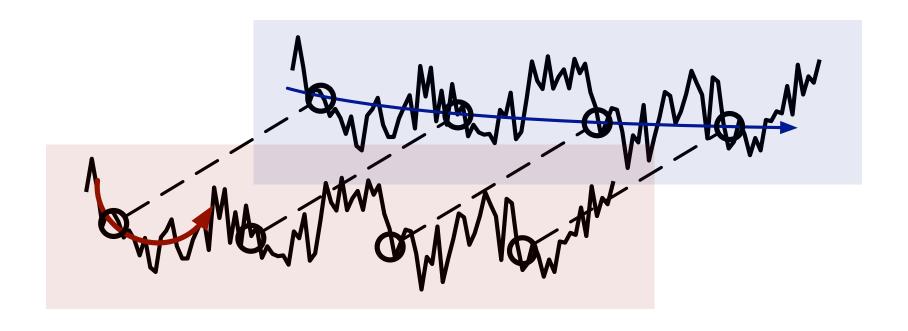


- ✓ Traffic: daily and weekly
- ✓ Weather: daily and yearly

Real-world time series usually present multi-periodicity.

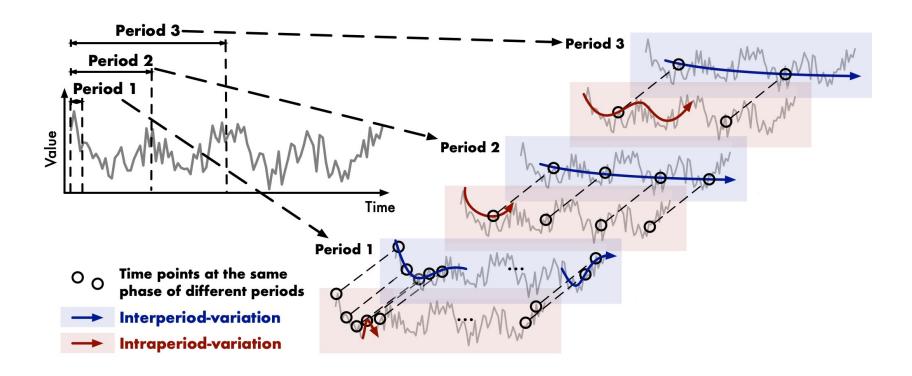
Multiple periods overlap and interact with each other.

## Intraperiod- and Interperiod-variations



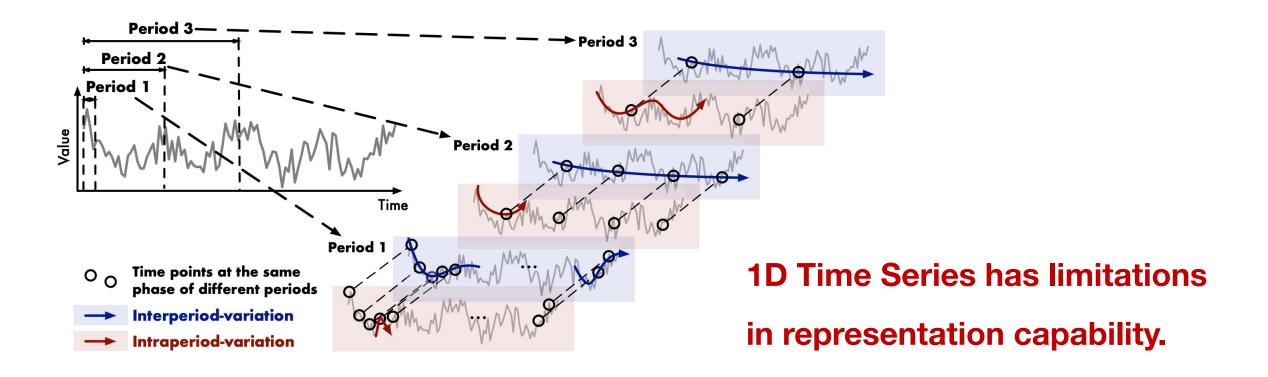
- ✓ Intraperiod: adjacent area, short-term variations
- ✓ Interperiod: same phase in adjacent periods, long-term variations

Non-periodic cases, the variations will be dominated by intraperiod-variations.



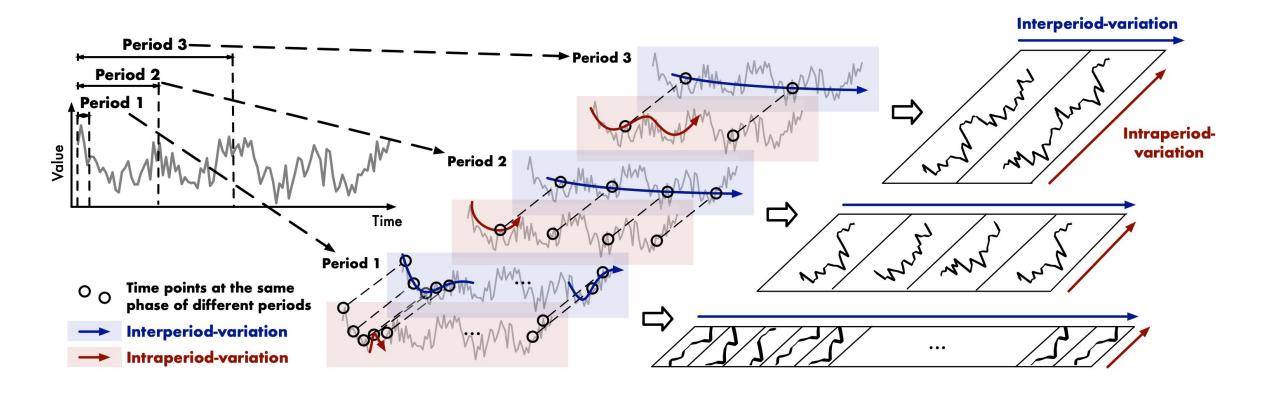
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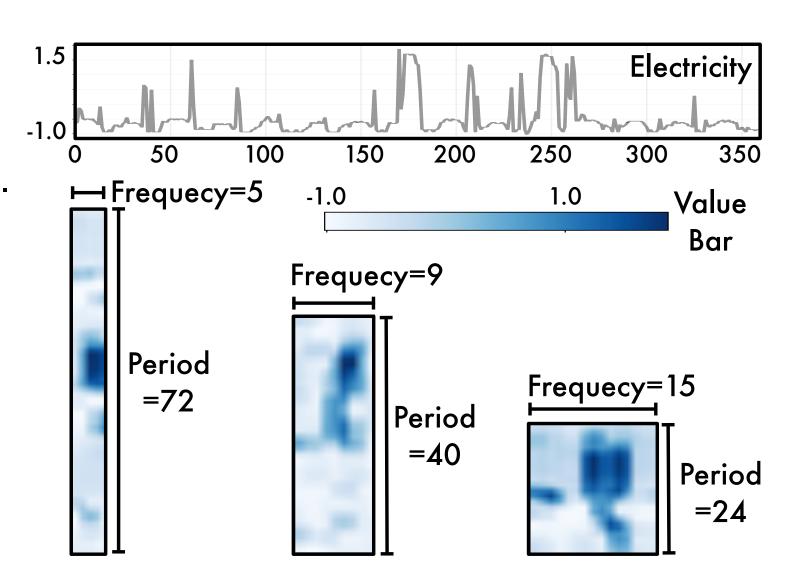


1 Multi-periodicity 2 Temporal 2D-variation

Unify intraperiod- and interperiod-variations in 2D space by reshape

# Temporal 2D-variation: A Case Study

- ✓ Reshape the 1D time series into 2D according to periods.
- ✓ Two dimensions represent interperiod- and intraperiod- variations respectively.



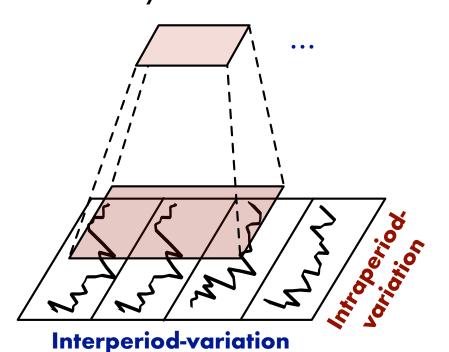
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Electricity ✓ Reshape the 1D time series 250 50 100 150 200 300 350 into 2D according to periods. Frequecy=5 -1.0 1.0 Value Bar ✓ Two dimensions represent Frequecy=9 interperiod- and intraperiod-Period variations respectively. Frequecy=15 =72 Period =40 Period 2D locality =24

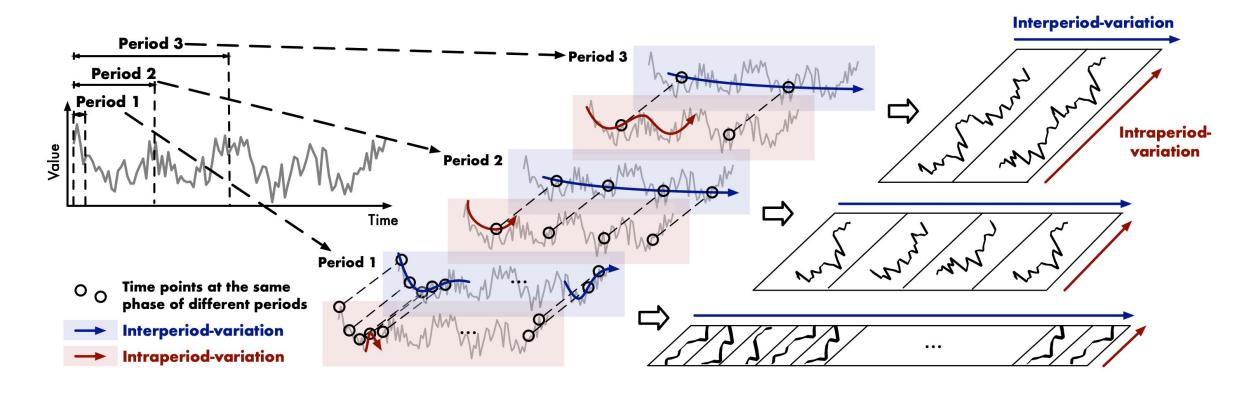
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# Capture Temporal 2D-variations by 2D Kernels



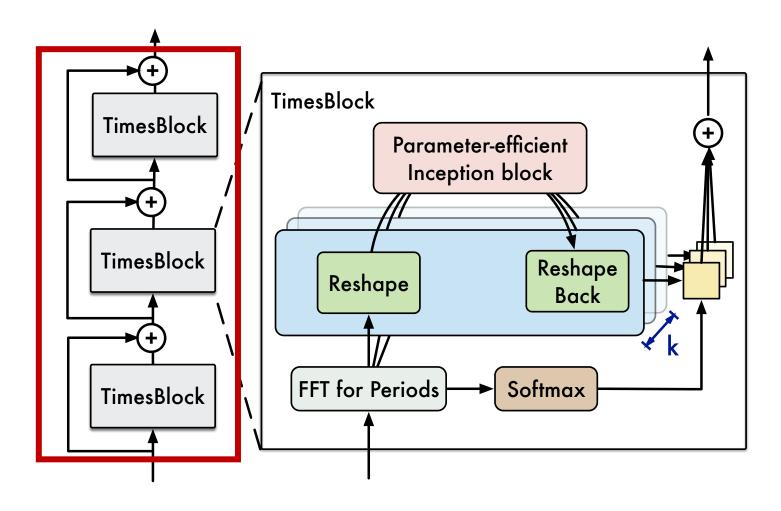
#### With temporal 2D-variations, we can

- ✓ Unify intraperiod- interperiod-variations
- ✓ Learn representations by 2D kernels



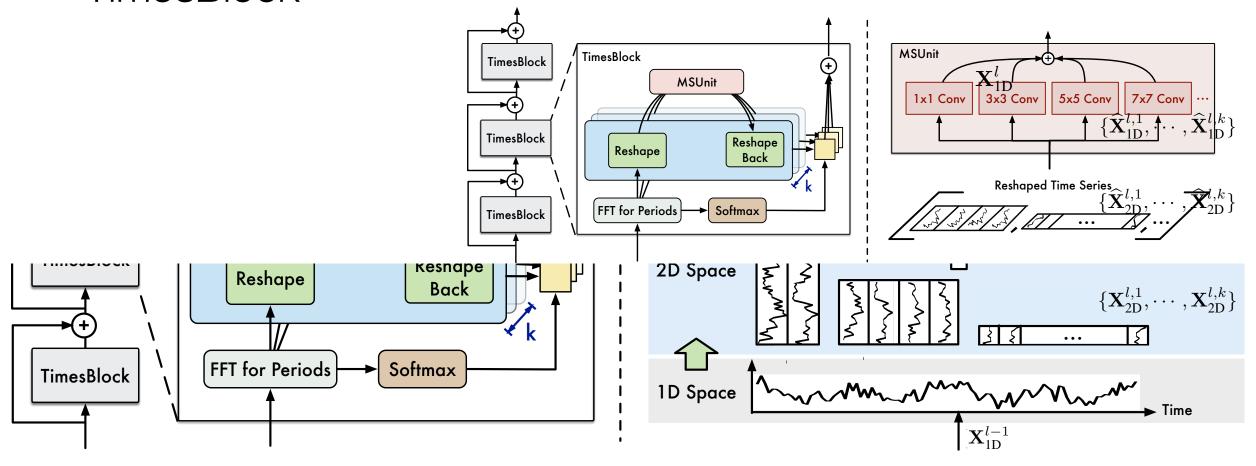
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#### **TimesNet**



TimesNet consists of residual-connected TimesBlocks.

#### TimesBlock



TimesBlock learns representations in 2D space.

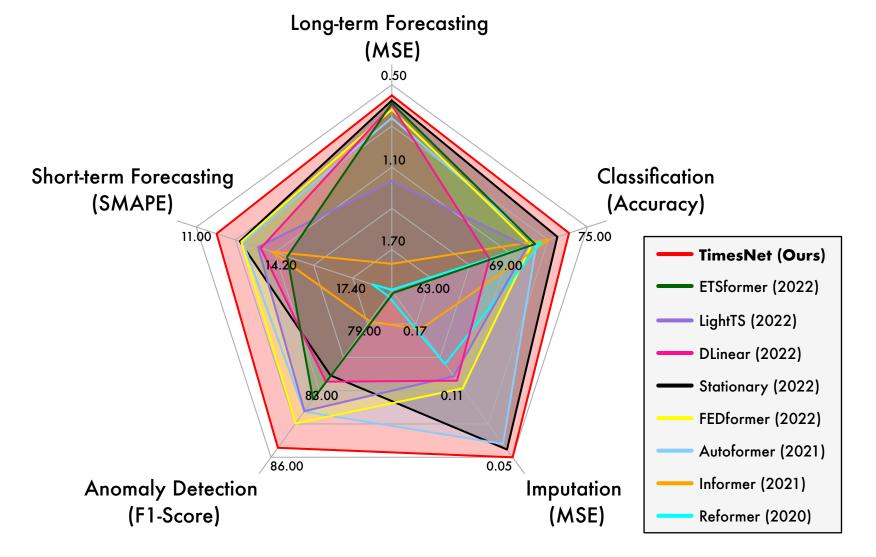
1 1D  $\rightarrow$  2D 2 2D representation learning 3 2D  $\rightarrow$  1D

# Experiment: Overall

Tasks	Benchmarks	
Forecasting	Long-term: ETT (4 subsets), Electricity, Traffic, Weather, Exchange, ILI	
	Short-term: M4 (6 subsets)	
Imputation	ETT (4 subsets), Electricity, Weather	
Classification   UEA (10 subsets)		
Anomaly Detection	SMD, MSL, SMAP, SWaT, PSM	

- ✓ Five mainstream time series analysis tasks.
- √ 36 datasets, 81 settings, 20+ baselines

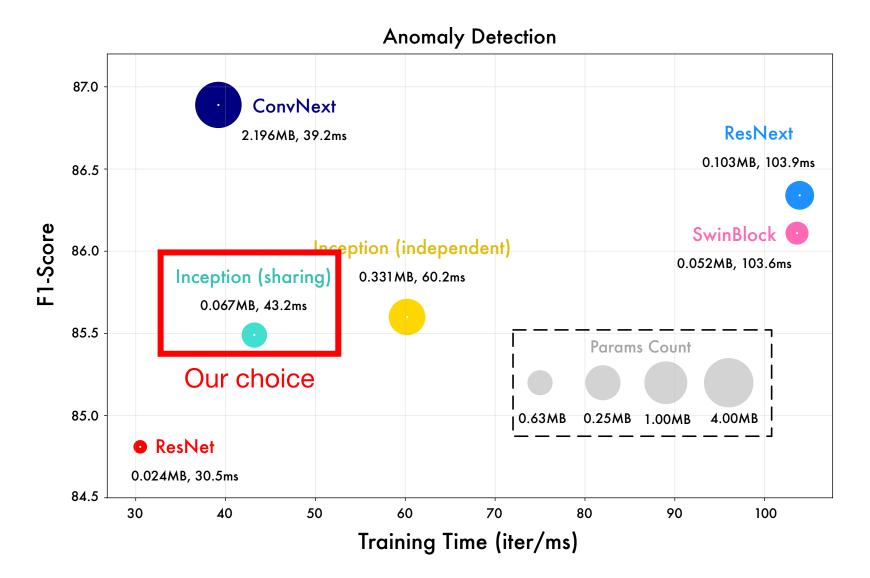
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TimesNet achieves state-of-the-art in all five tasks (2023/02)

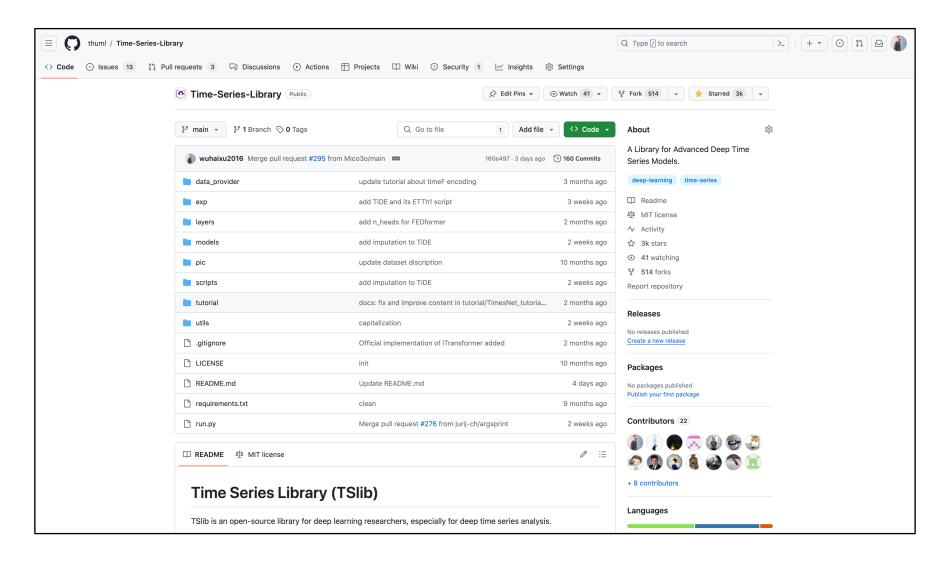
# Model Generality



Better vision backbones,
Better performance \( \biggregatilde{Z} \)

Bridge Time Series and vision backbones \( \bigsec{\figs}{2} \)

# Time Series Library (TSlib)



Code is available at <a href="https://github.com/thuml/Time-Series-Library">https://github.com/thuml/Time-Series-Library</a> with 3000+ stars

#### Foundation Models for Time Series

[Proper Training Strategy] **Training Versatile Foundation Model** Model [Task-Universal Backbone] (Large Model) [High-quality Large-scale Data] Data



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