

# **LLM Salinity Transportation Modeling**

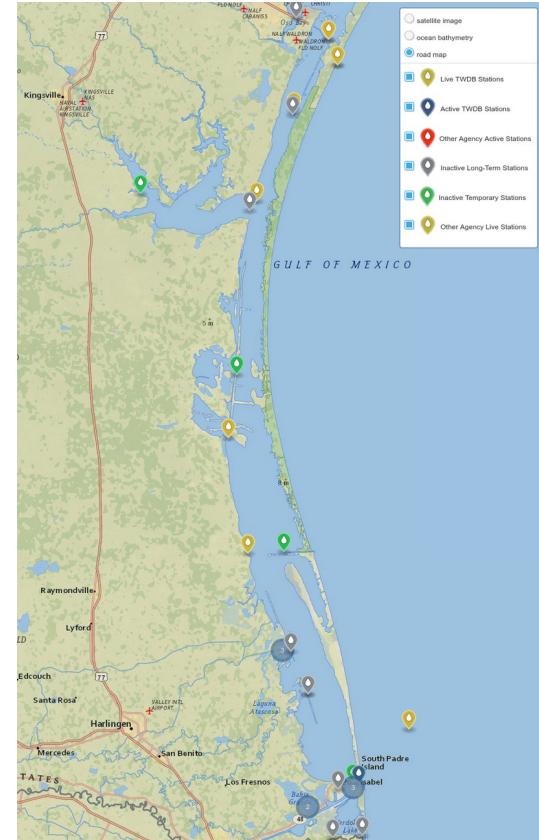
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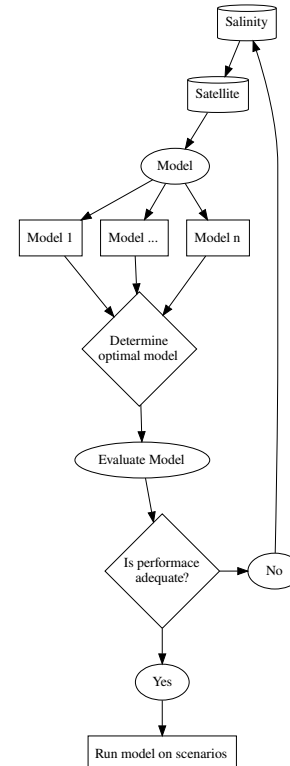
# Background

- Salinity Data in the Laguna Madre is Sparse
  - *In Situ*
  - Spatially Lacking
- Sea surface salinity (SSS) is key to climate forecasting and monitoring of marine ecosystems.



# Modeling Process

- Gather Data
- Create Multiple Models
  - Varying architecture
- Evaluate Models
- Test Models on Scenarios



# Data

- **Salinity**

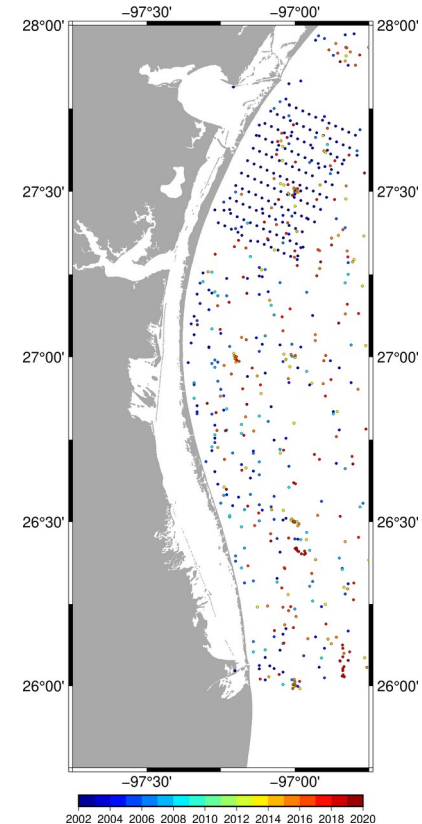
- World Ocean Database (WOD)
- Water Data for Texas
- Practical Salinity Unit (PSU)

- **Satellite**

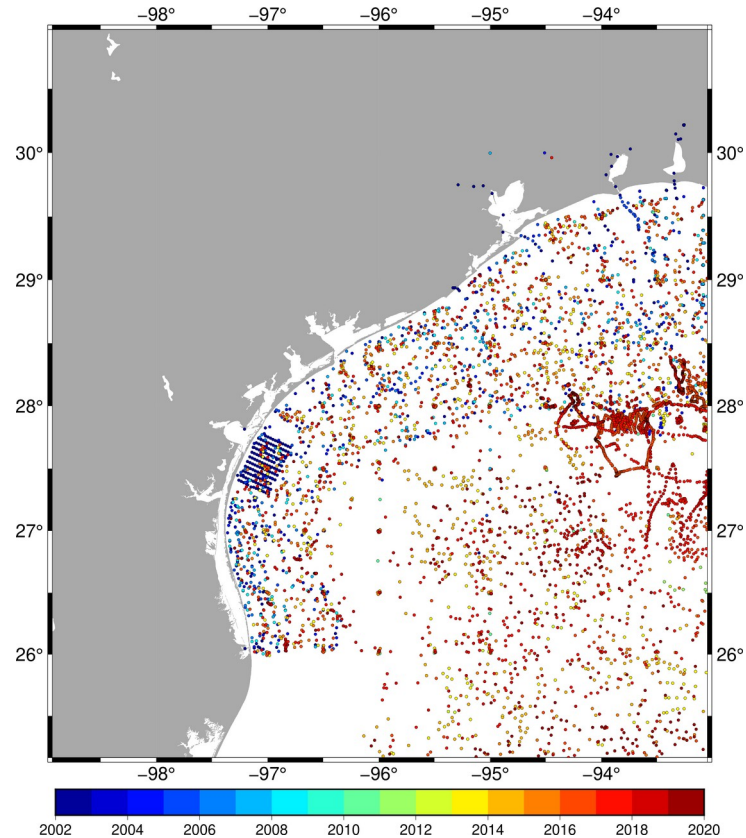
- MODIS-Aqua
  - Ocean Color (OC)
    - Remote Sensing Reflectance (Rrs)
  - Sea Surface Temperature (SST)

# Data: Salinity

- WOD
  - Salinity at Multiple Depths
  - Years of 2002-2020 Utilized
  - 5m chosen for study
    - Most data points
    - 3507 Sample points at depth
      - 5130 points  $\pm$  0.5 m
  - Only two data points in Laguna Madre

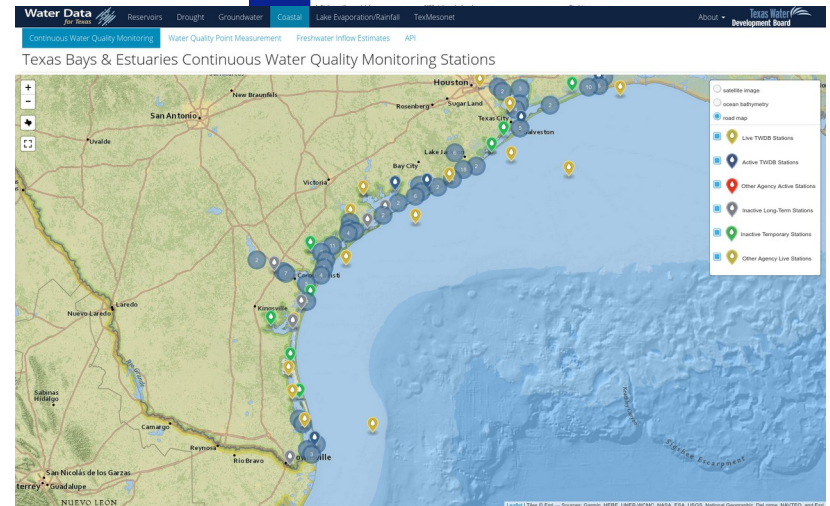
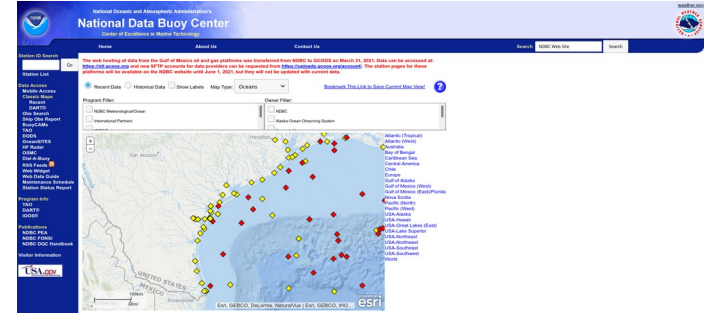


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- NOAA National Data Buoy Center
  - Lower and Upper Laguna Madre/Off the Coast
    - No salinity data found
- TWDB Water Data for Texas
  - *In Situ* data for the Laguna Madre

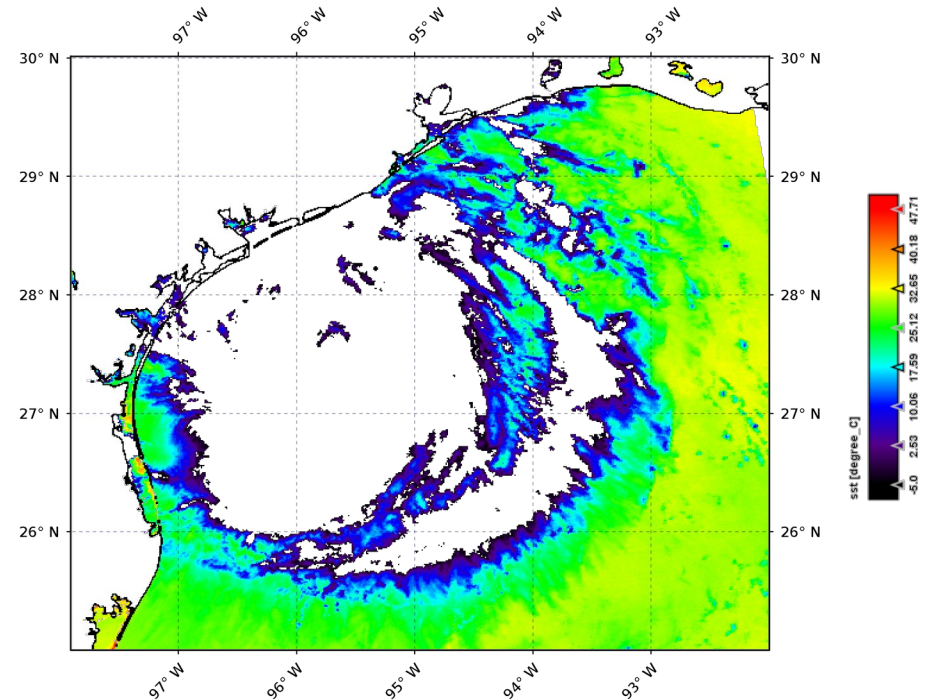




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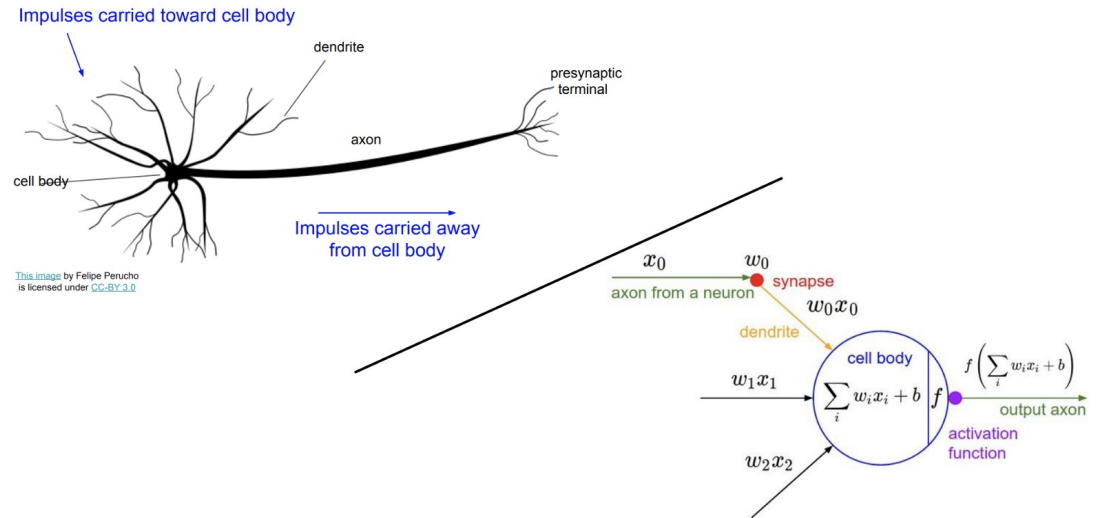
- MODIS-Aqua

- Swaths
  - Irregular Grid Data
- Subject to Cloud Interference
- Daily Coverage
  - Coverage Area
  - Quality
    - SST
    - Rrs



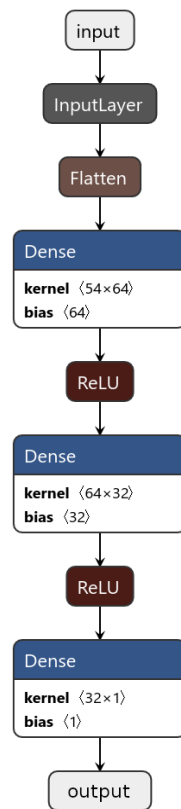
# Deep Learning Key Notes

- Neuron
  - Core of Deep Learning (DL)
- “Learns”
  - Minimize Loss
    - Mean Square Error (MSE)
  - Update Weight and Biases
- Layers
  - Increase Dimensionality



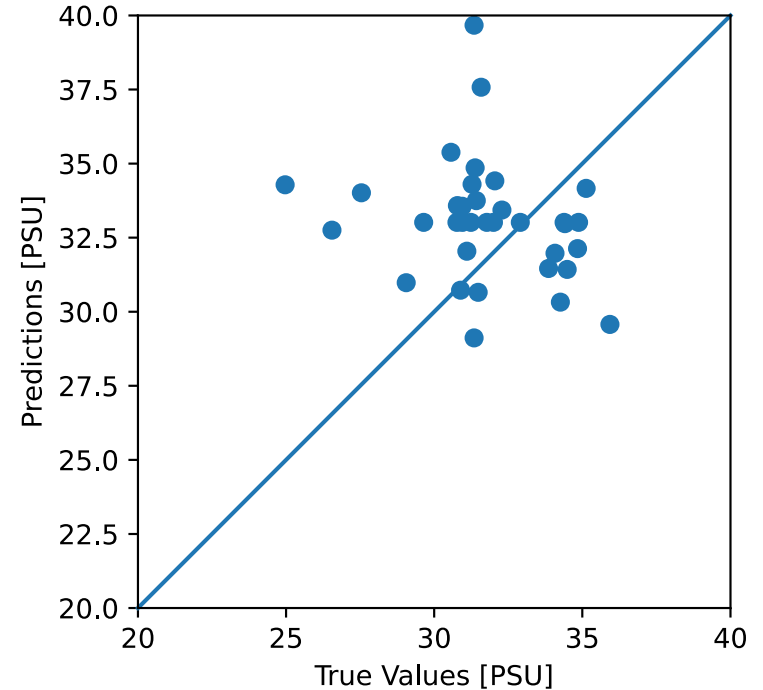
# Modeling

- **Pilot Model Evaluation**
  - Now-casting model
  - 1-day forecast model
- **Planned Developments**
  - Model Architecture & Techniques
  - 2-5 day forecast
- **Scenarios of Interest**



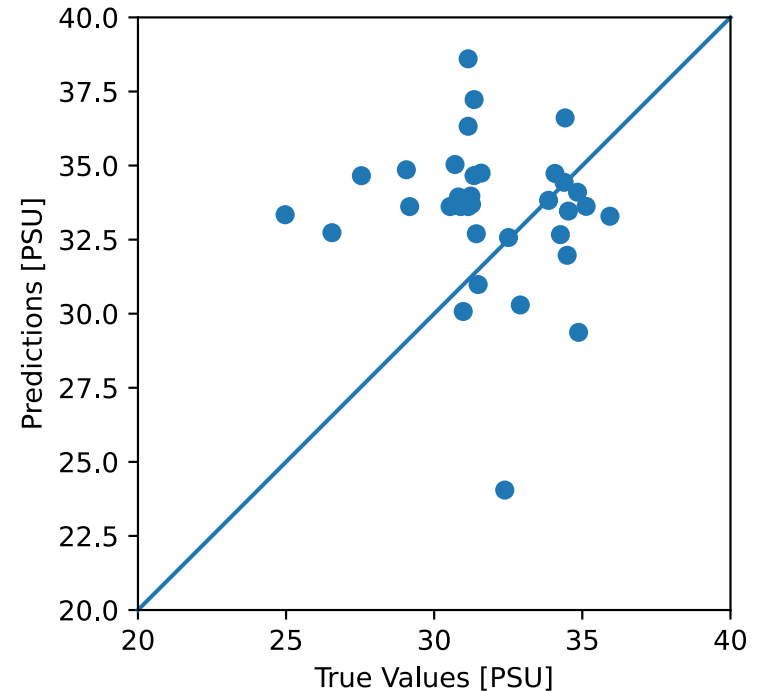
# Modeling: Now-Casting

- **Simple DNN**
  - 2 Hidden Dense Layers
    - 64 & 32 Neurons Respectively
- **RMSE of ~4**
- **Results Scattered**
  - Bias towards overestimating

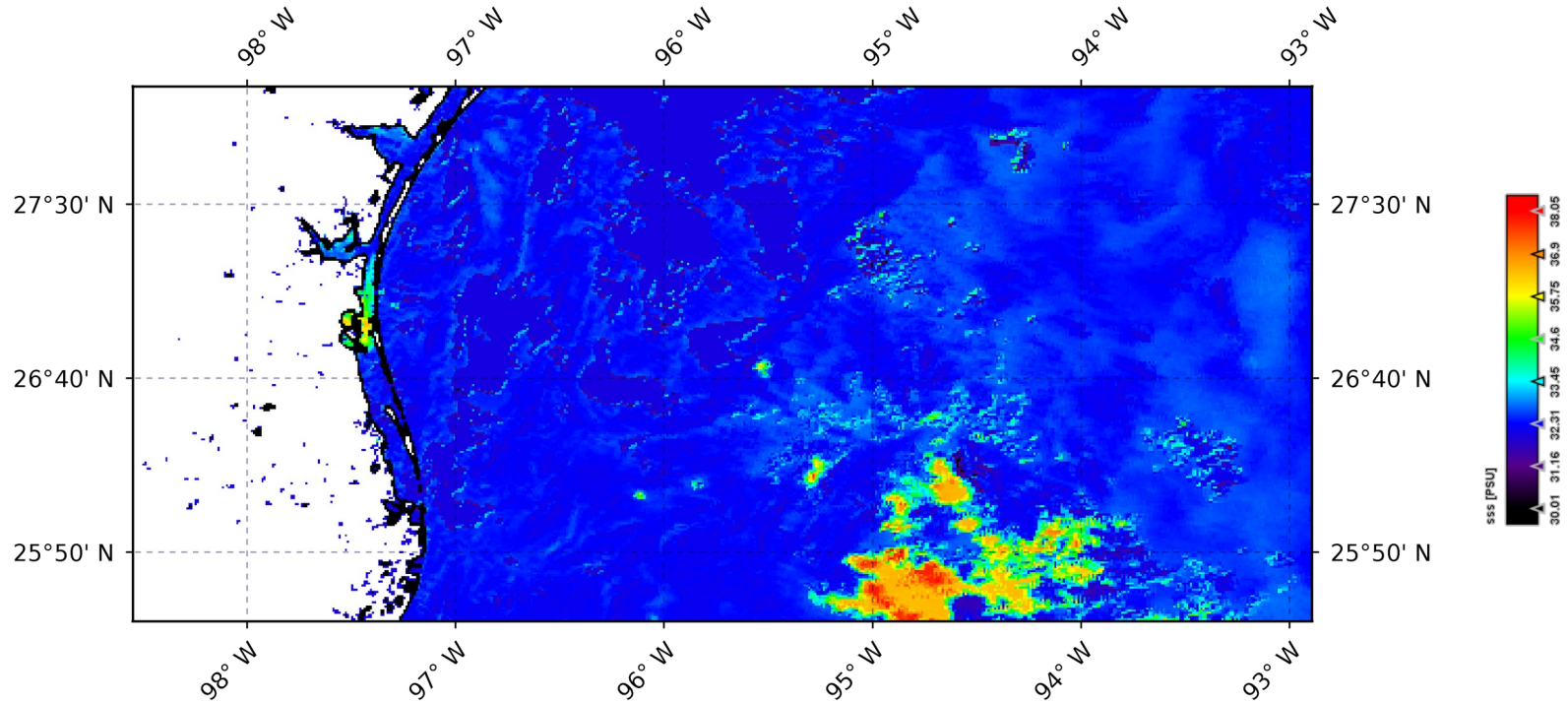


# Modeling: 1-Day Forecast

- Same architecture as previous
- RMSE similar to Now-Casting
  - Slight increase in error
- Scattered Results
  - ~10 PSU outlier

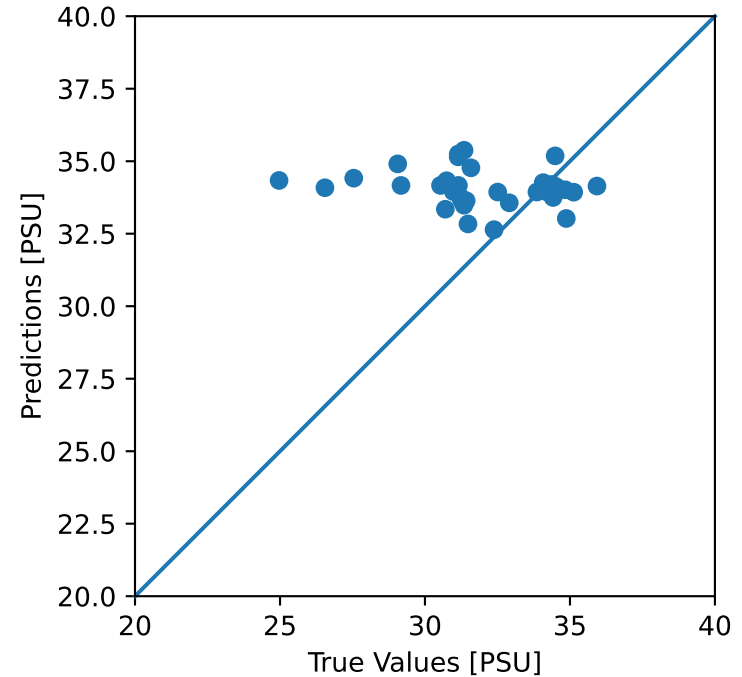


# Modeling: 1-Day Forecast



# Modeling: Planned Developments

- **Prevent overfitting**
  - Dropout Layers
  - Batch Regularization
- **Different architectures**
  - CNN before Dense Layers
- **Discover cause of bias**
- **Implement 2-5 day forecasting**

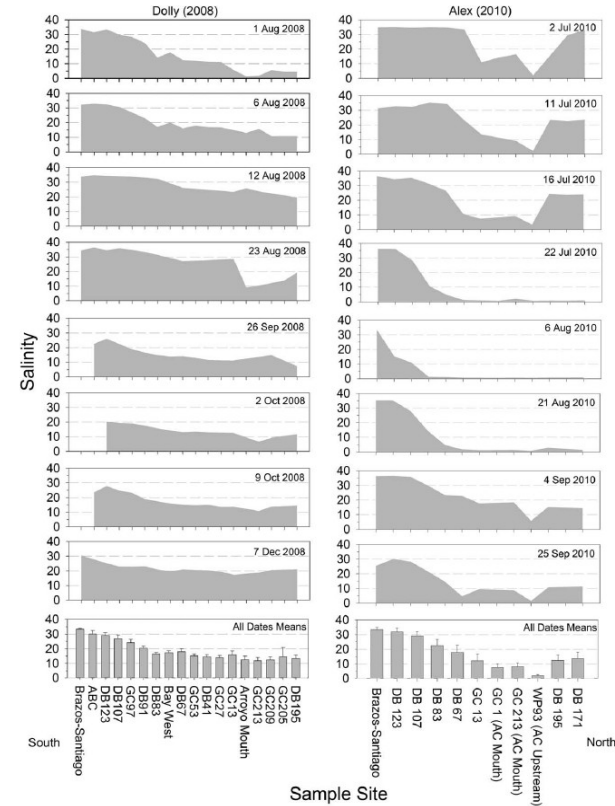
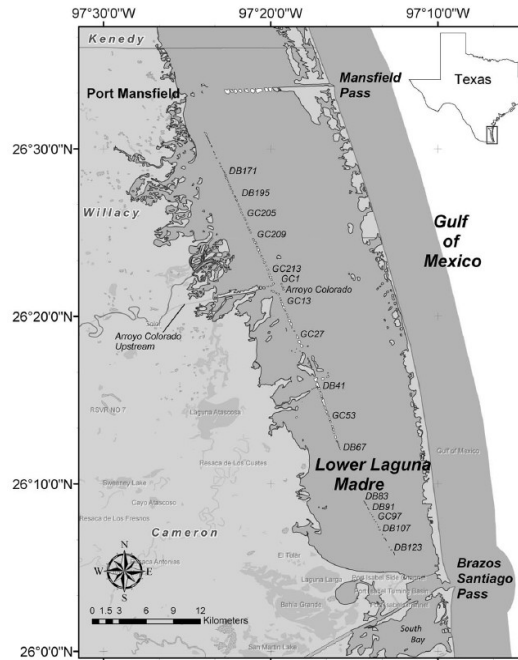


# Modeling: Scenarios of Interest

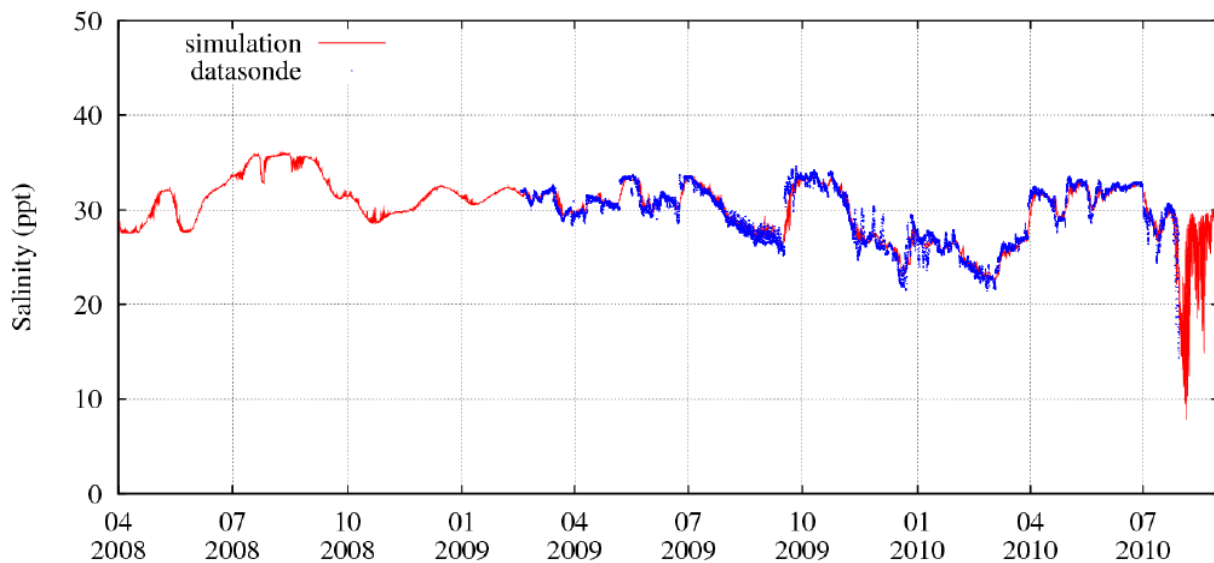
- **Hurricane Events**
  - Dolly & Alex
    - Hanna
  - Depressed Salinity Throughout
  - Arroyo Colorado Heavily Affected
- **TxBLEND**
  - Comparison to Numerical Model
    - Point Based
    - Map Based



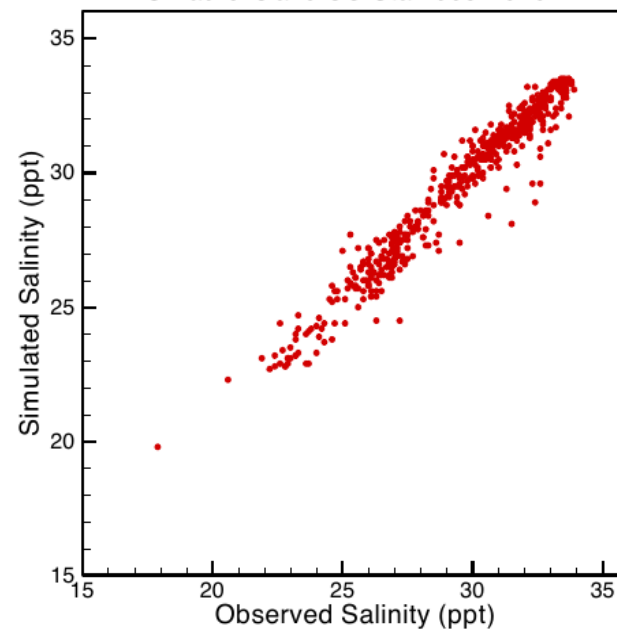
# Dolly & Alex



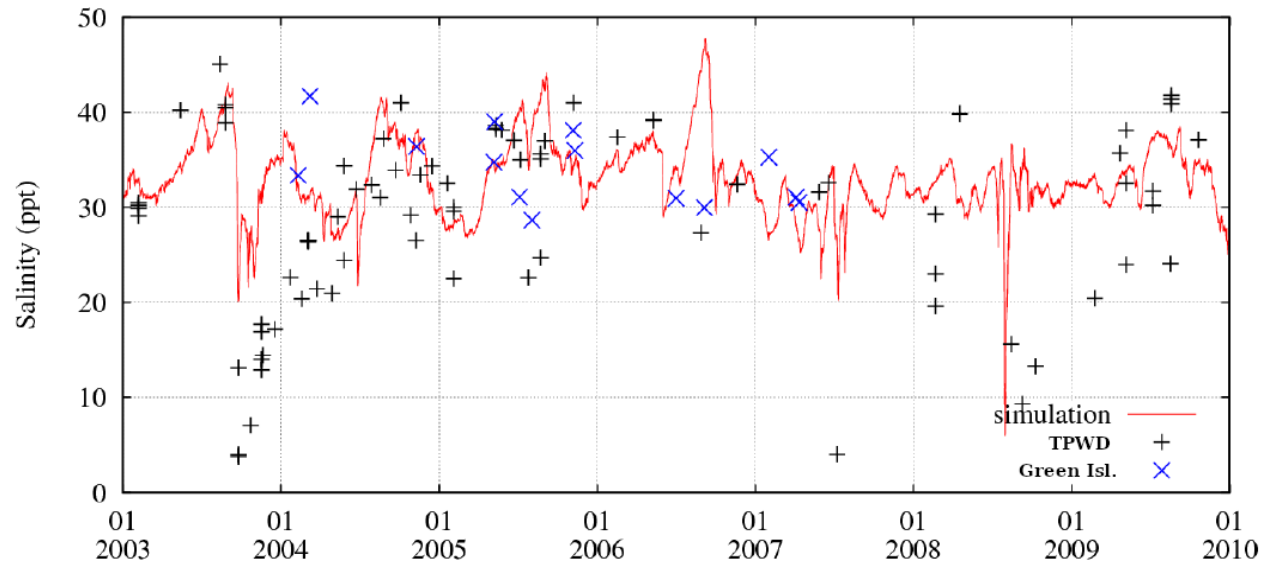
Simulated and observed salinity at South Padre Isl CG Sta



S Padre Island CG Sta 2009-2010



Simulated and Observed Salinity at GIWW-Arroyo-Colorado and Green Island



GIW-Arroyo and Green Island 2003-2009

