

First Steps of a Lake Model Intercomparison Project : lakeMIP

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Introduction

Lake Model Intercomparison Project (LakeMIP)

- The first goal is to assess the range of applicability of existing one-dimensional model formulations and find the key physical process in lake models
- The second goal is to know the impacts of lakes on regional scale weather and climate using coupled lake-atmosphere models

An overview of one-dimensional lake model

Table 1

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|------------------------------|----------------------|---|
| Bulk model | FLake | two layer similarity approach |
| k-ε turbulence closure model | LAKE Simstrat | $\frac{\partial k}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{A} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(A v_k \frac{\partial k}{\partial z} \right) + P + P_{seiche} + B - \varepsilon$ $\frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{A} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(A v_e \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial z} \right) + \frac{\varepsilon}{k} (c_{\varepsilon 1} (P + P_{seiche}) + c_{\varepsilon 3} B - c_{\varepsilon 2} \varepsilon)$ |
| Eddy diffusion model | Hostetler Minlake | $K^* + (L_{\downarrow} - L_{\uparrow}) = Q_H + Q_E + Q_g + (1 - \beta) K^*$ $\frac{dT}{dt} = \frac{d}{dz} \left[(k_m + k_e) \frac{dT}{dz} \right] + \frac{1}{C} \frac{dS}{dz}$ |

Setup of model simulations

Table 2

| | |
|--------------------|---|
| optical parameters | extinction coefficient, albedo |
| bottom temperature | a zero heat flux FLake: self-similarity approach to get bottom heat flux LAKE: heat transfer equation |
| lake bathymetry | constant Simstrat, Minlake: lateral sizes of lake |
| output | hourly Minlake: daily |

The discussion of the Sparkling Lake experiment results

| Source | Mean (min, max) | Correlation with measured data (r) |
|--------------|---------------------|--|
| FLake | 9.75 (0, 27.10) | 0.988 |
| Hostetler | 9.59 (-0.01, 27.49) | 0.995 |
| LAKE | 9.39 (-0.26, 25.71) | 0.988 |
| MINLAKE96 | 9.58 | - |
| Measurements | 9.41 (-3.87, 27.00) | - |

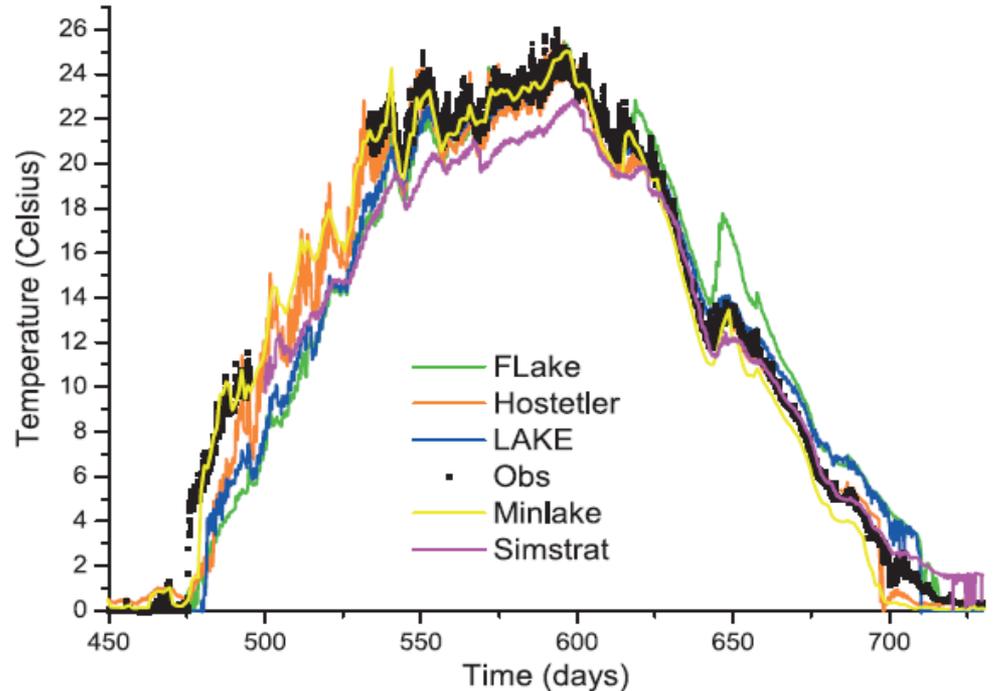


Table 3 Statistics for the time series of surface temperature in Sparkling Lake intercomparison experiment (2002-2005)

Fig.1 Time series of Sparkling Lake modeled and observed water surface temperatures in 2003

The discussion of the Sparkling Lake experiment results

Table 4 Statistics for the time series of sensible heat flux to the atmosphere in Sparkling Lake intercomparison experiment (2002-2005)

| Source | Mean (min, max) | Correlation with measured data (r) |
|--------------|-------------------------|--|
| FLake | 12.55 (-410.17, 249.10) | 0.735 |
| Hostetler | 12.88 (-220.86, 368.95) | 0.712 |
| LAKE | 13.23 (-219.91, 364.58) | 0.611 |
| MINLAKE96 | 7.38 | - |
| Measurements | 12.20 (-246.80, 140.00) | - |

Table 5 Statistics for the time series of latent heat flux to the atmosphere in Sparkling Lake intercomparison experiment (2002-2005)

| Source | Mean (min, max) | Correlation with measured data (r) |
|--------------|-------------------------|--|
| FLake | 47.13 (-177.60, 334.12) | 0.810 |
| Hostetler | 48.44 (-79.15, 385.15) | 0.832 |
| LAKE | 41.98 (-113.59, 341.00) | 0.765 |
| MINLAKE96 | 43.87 | - |
| Measurements | 34.81 (-88.70, 224.90) | - |

The discussion of the Sparkling Lake experiment results

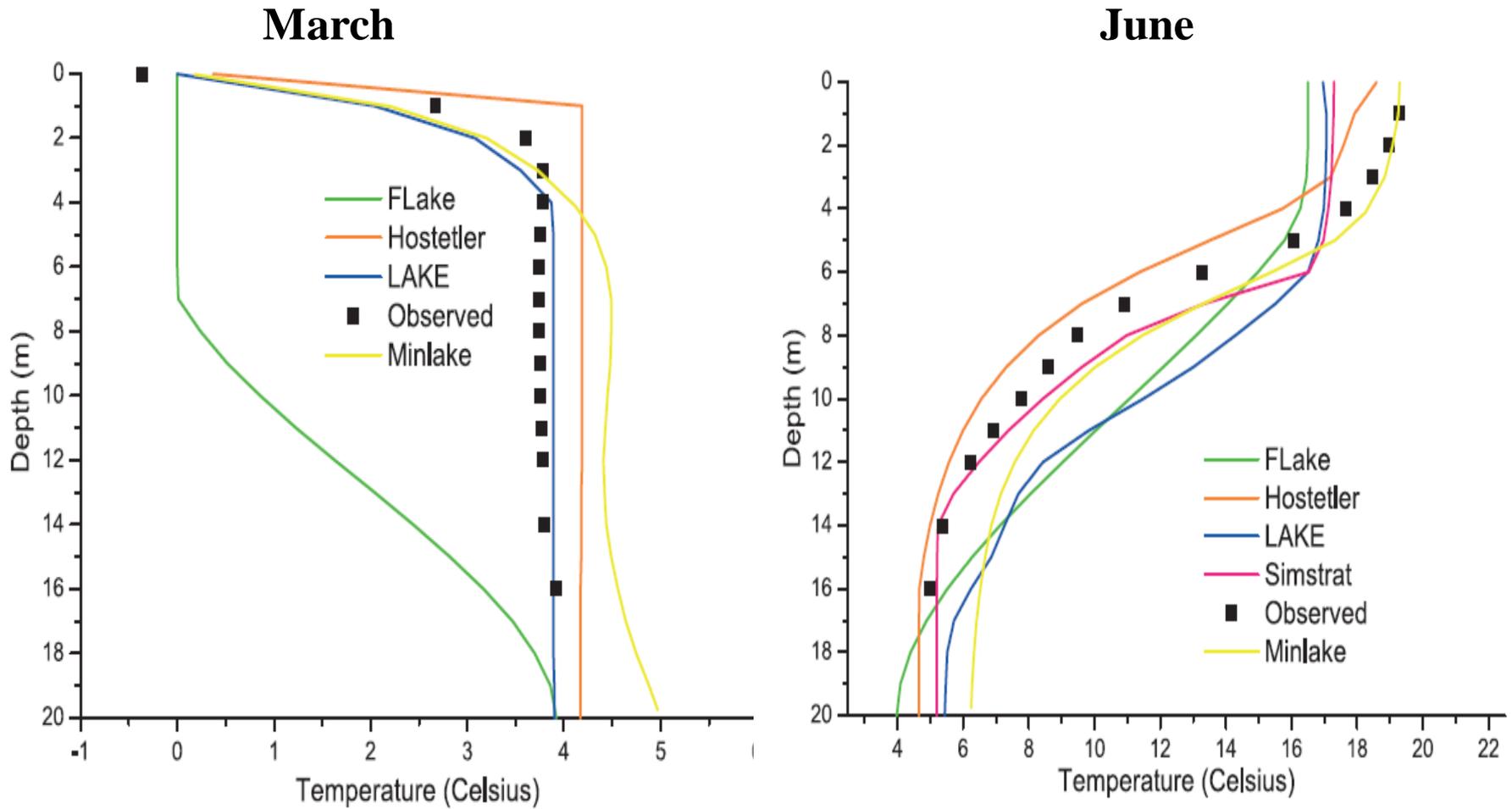


Fig 2 Observed and simulated mean monthly temperature profiles in Sparkling Lake for 2003

Surface temperature simulation of Lake Michigan

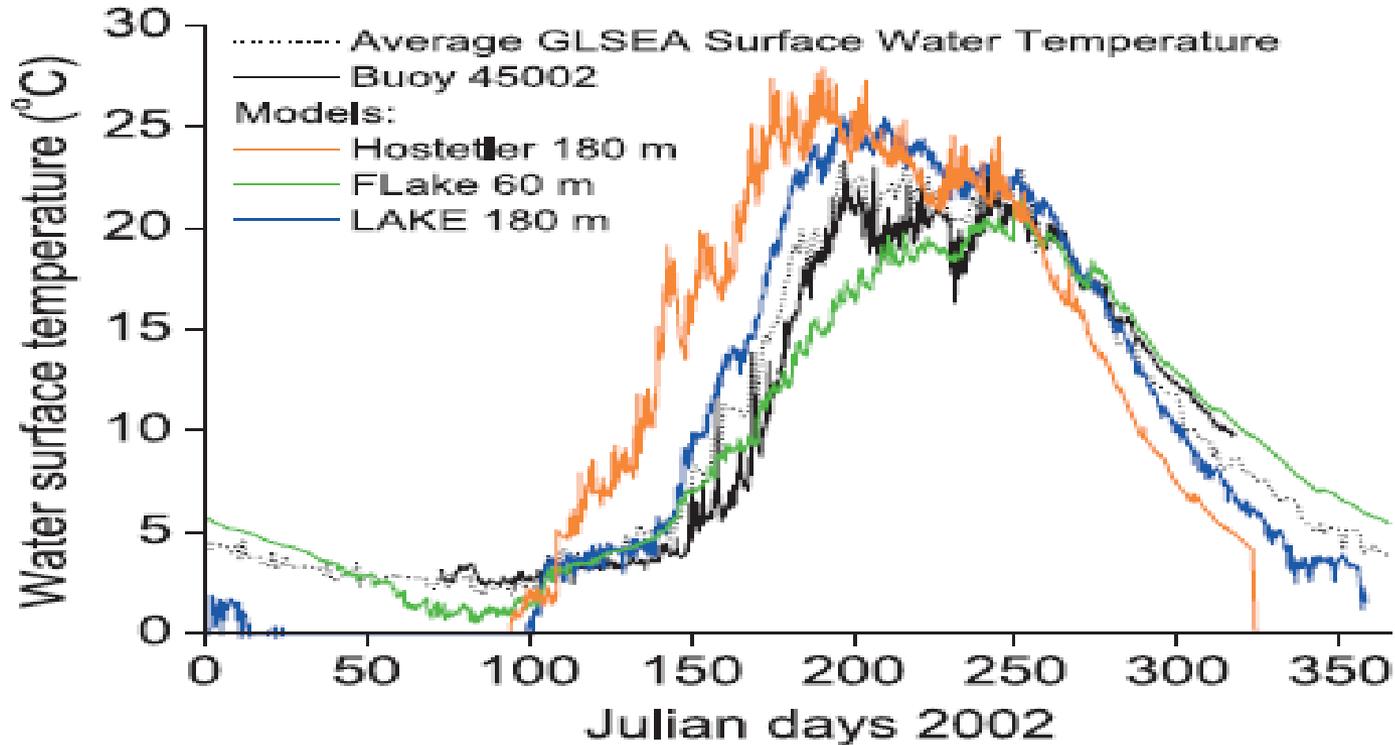
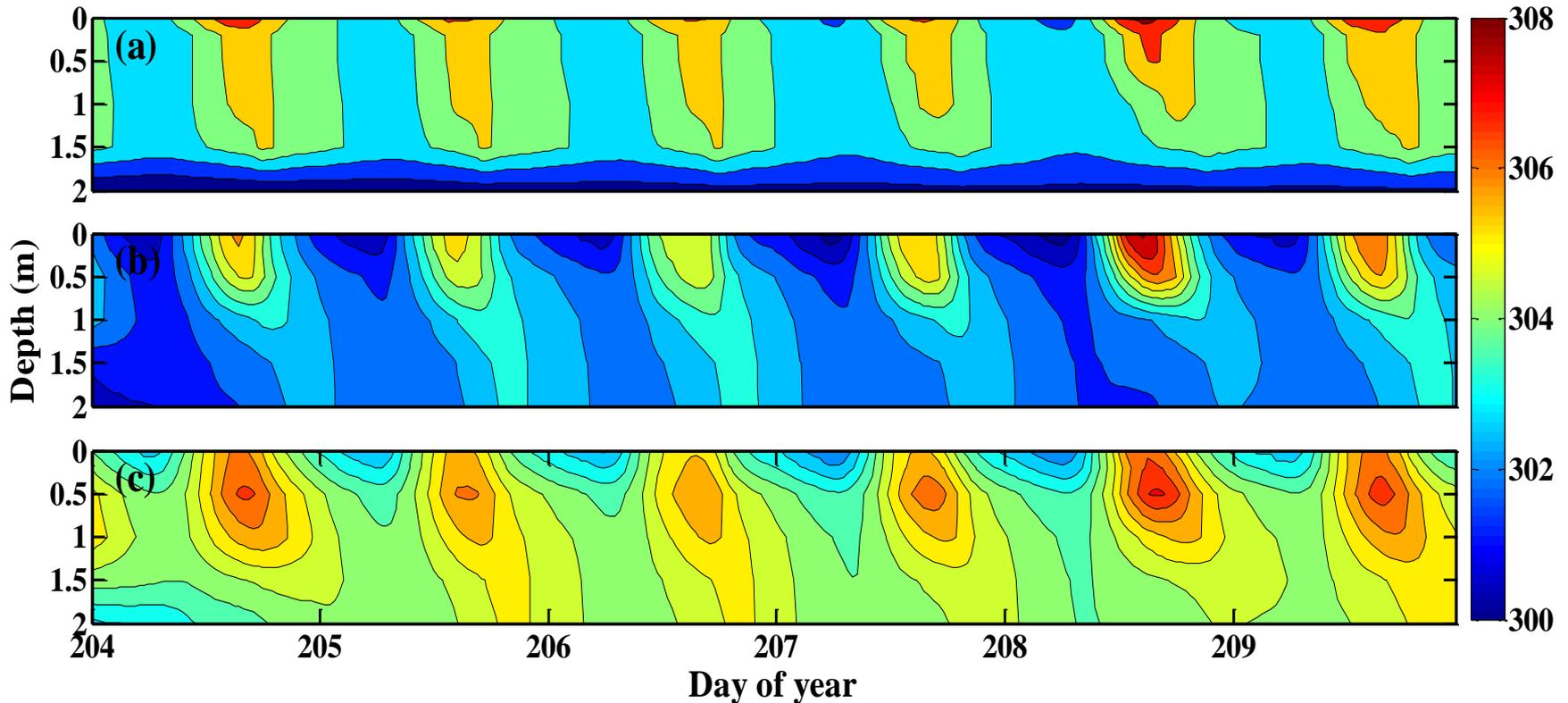


Fig 3 Observed and simulated surface temperature of Lake Michigan

Results

- For Sparkling Lake, one-dimensional models have a good performance to reproduce the surface temperature. However, in terms of sensible and latent heat fluxes, correlation coefficients range from 0.6 to 0.8. The features of monthly vertical temperature profiles are well captured by the models.
- The numerical experiment with Lake Michigan shows the large discrepancy between observed surface temperature and those modeled by one-dimensional models, and three-dimensional processes may be needed.

Next work



Temperature comparison for day 204-209(2012) :

(a) observed, (b) tuned by Deng, (c) tuned by Piao.

Next work

- Sensitivity tests of DPK site, and make a comparison between DPK and BFG. Then read more literature and gain more knowledge about Sensitivity tests

Thank you