

# Machine learning-based multilayer soil moisture datasets: *SoMo.ml*

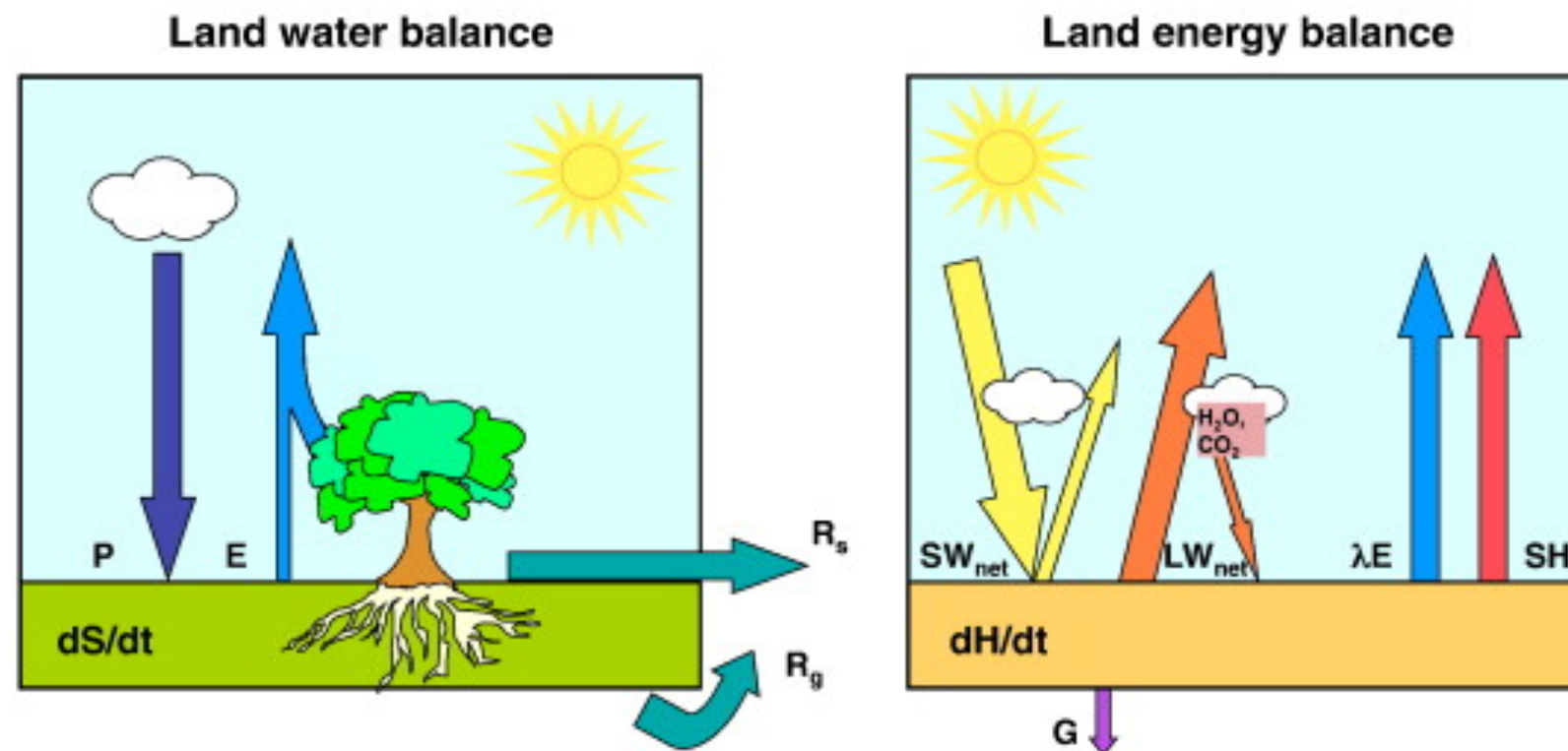
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# Soil moisture is a key variable in controlling the exchange of water and heat energy between the land surface and the atmosphere

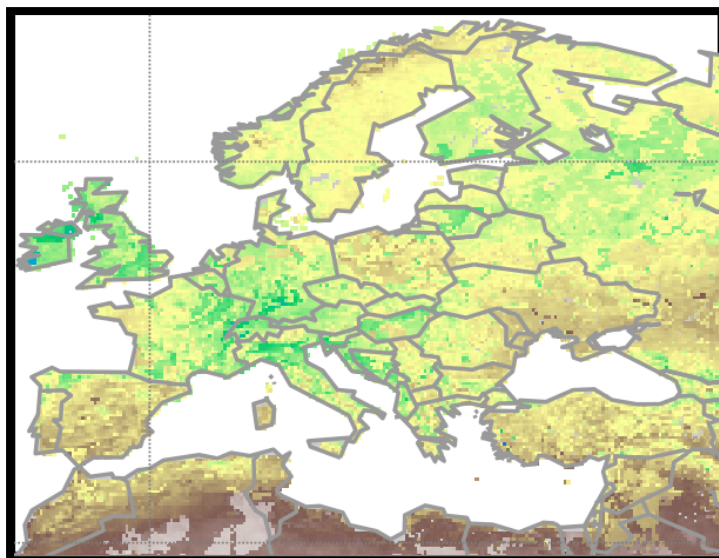


Seneviratne et al., 2010

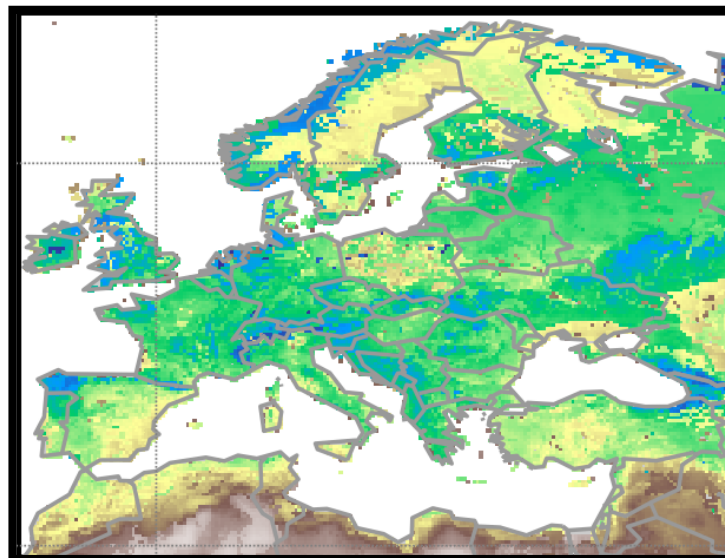
Where can we obtain large-scale soil moisture information?

# Each source of soil moisture data has characteristic strengths and weaknesses

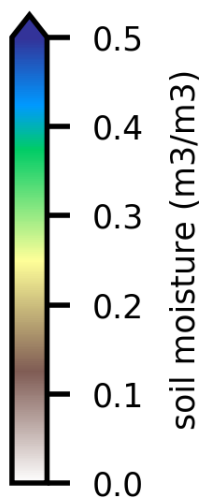
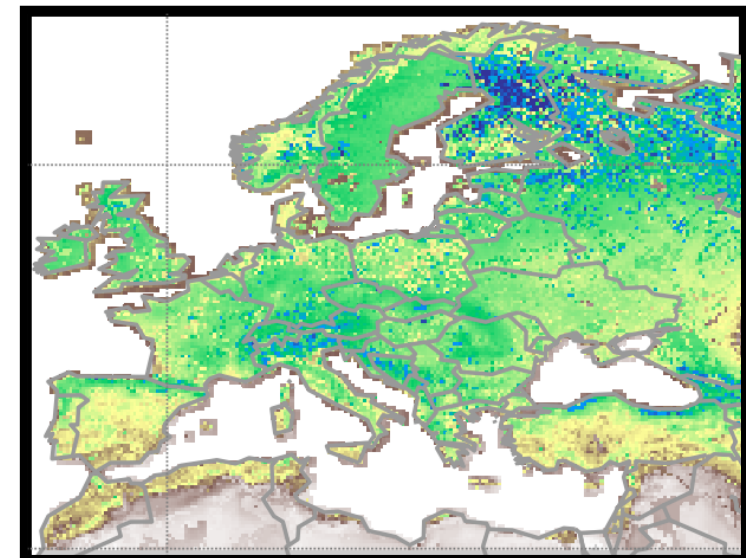
Satellite observation  
(ESA CCI v04.4 COMBINED)



Physically-based modeling  
(GLEAM v3.3a)

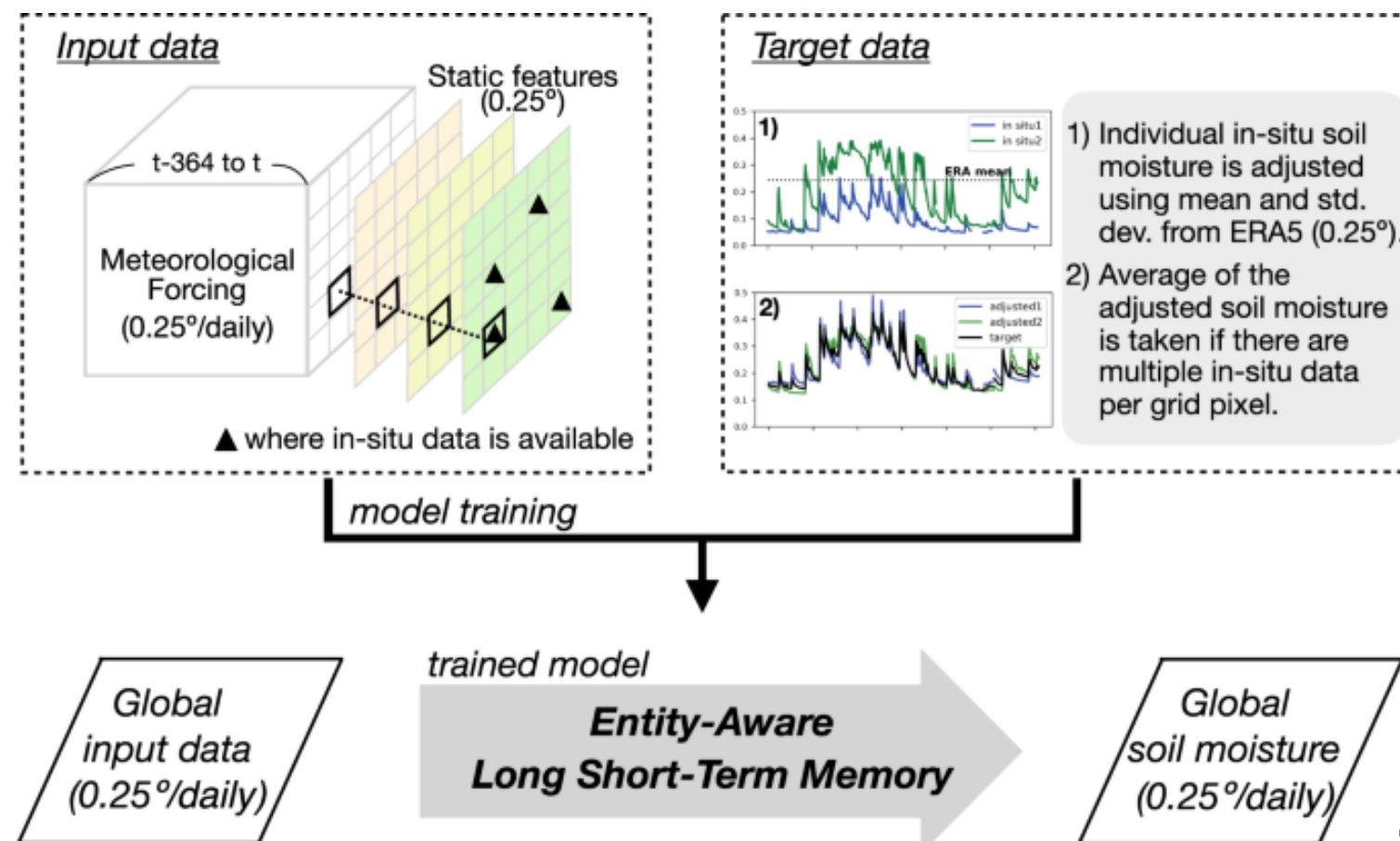


Data-driven modeling  
(**SoMo.ml** v1.0)



We use Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) as a new tool to generate large-scale soil moisture data **SoMo.ml**.

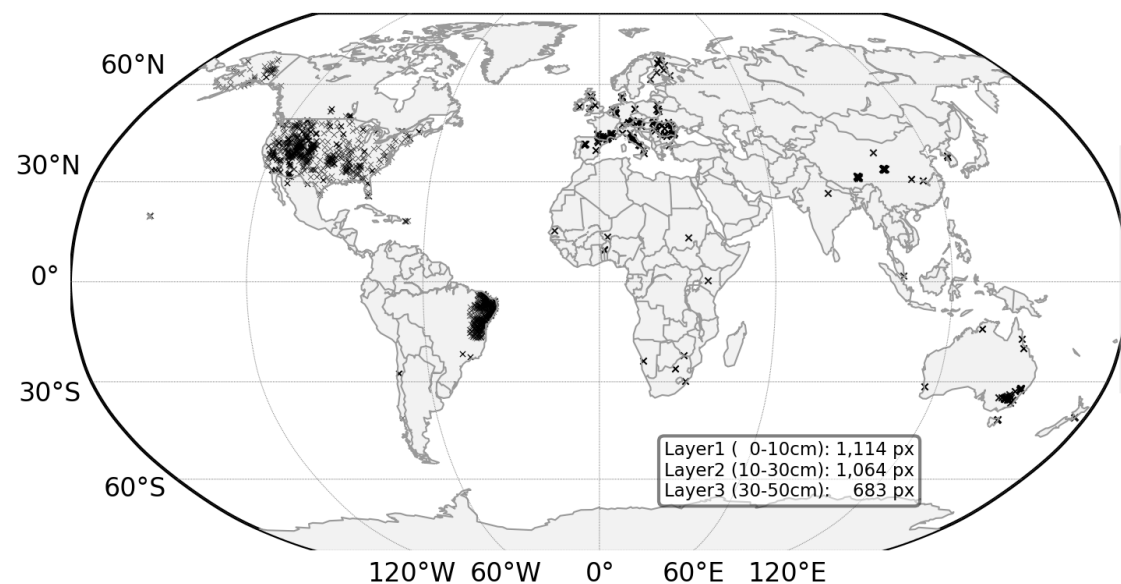
# The LSTM model is trained to learn the relationship between the multiple predictor variables and the target soil moisture



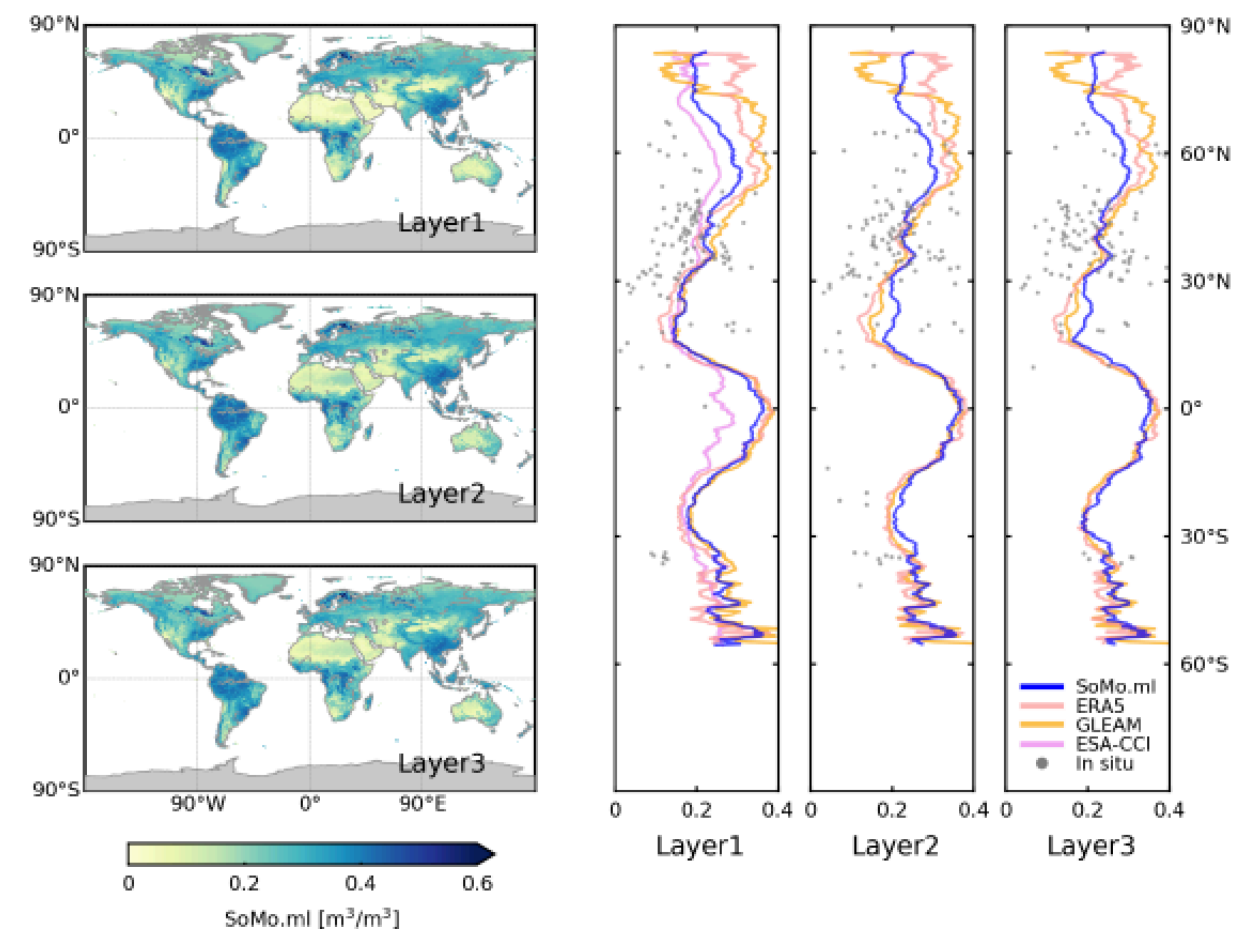
O and Orth, 2021

By design, *SoMo.ml* closely follows daily variations in in-situ data.

# ***SoMo.ml* provides global soil moisture with $0.25^\circ$ and daily resolutions over the period 2000-2019**



In-situ data for model training are mostly collected from the ISMN networks.

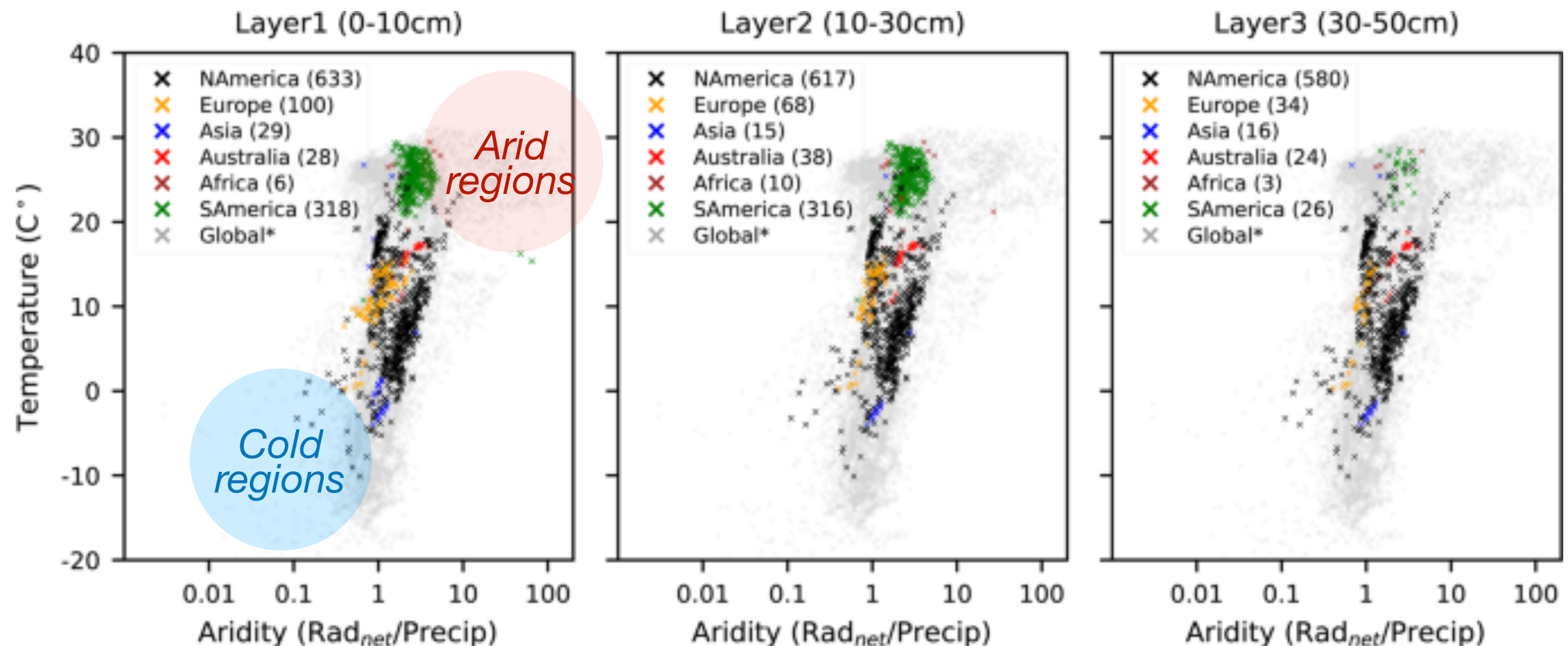


Please find more detailed information can be found from O and Orth (*Sci. Data*, 2021)





# Is the performance of *SoMo.ml* soil moisture data reliable?



O and Orth, 2021

Data performance depends on *in-situ* data availability, which is low in high latitudes and tropical regions.

# SoMo.ml can support large-scale hydrological, meteorological, and ecological analyses

- ☑ *SoMo.ml* has been used in e.g. observation-based analysis of drought-related ecosystem damages or heat events (Zhang et al., 2021; Bastos et al., 2021; O et al, 2022) and soil moisture data comparison (Wang et al., 2021).
- ☑ Try *SoMo.ml*! <https://www.bgc-jena.mpg.de/geodb/>
- ☑ High-resolution (0.1°) European soil moisture data now under review <https://arxiv.org/abs/2205.10753>; *Data will be available soon!*

**THANK YOU**

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