



Downscaling WGHM-Based Groundwater Storage Data Using Regression Method: A Regional Study over Qazvin Plain, Iran

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Aim

1. Downscaling Groundwater Storage Anomaly (GWSA) from coarse 0.5-degree resolution to a 0.1-degree from 2002 to 2016
2. Increasing spatial details
3. Providing a reliable model with ease of use that can be used for similar conditions



Method

1. Gathering and selecting suitable 0.1-degree auxiliary data (ERA5-LAND and IMERG products)
2. Training different regression models to achieve a model with the lowest MSE (**Linear**, **Ridge**, **Polynomial degree-2**, and **K-nearest Neighbors**)
3. Evaluating results with region's observation wells

Study Region



Qazvin plain is located in north-central Iran



The largest aquifer in Namak Lake basin



256.6mm annual precipitation average



5% of country agricultural products

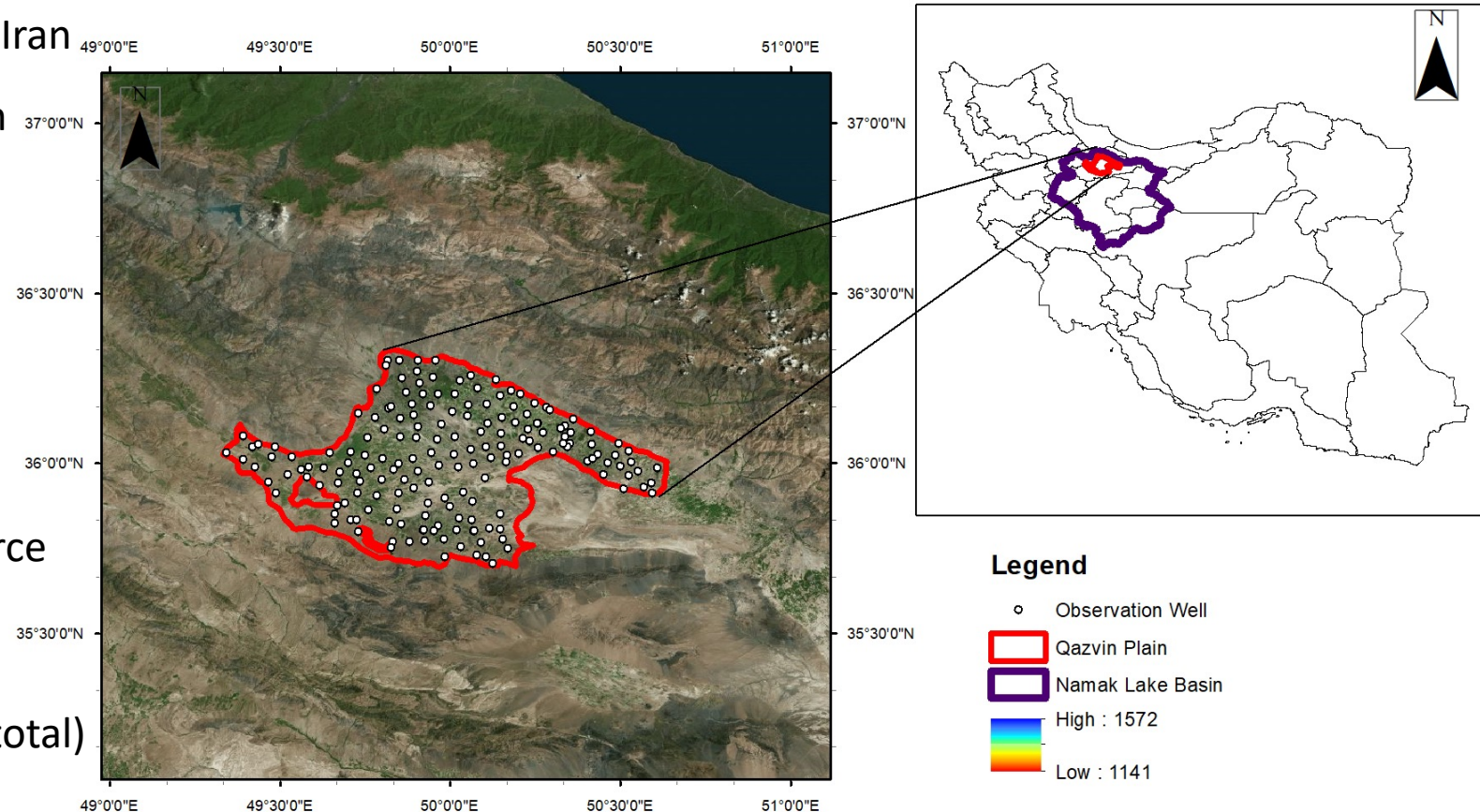


Groundwater is the main irrigation source

GWS depleted about **34m** last 50 years



99 trustworthy observation wells (180 total)



PREPARATION PHASE

- Data gathering
- Data preprocessing



TRAINING PHASE

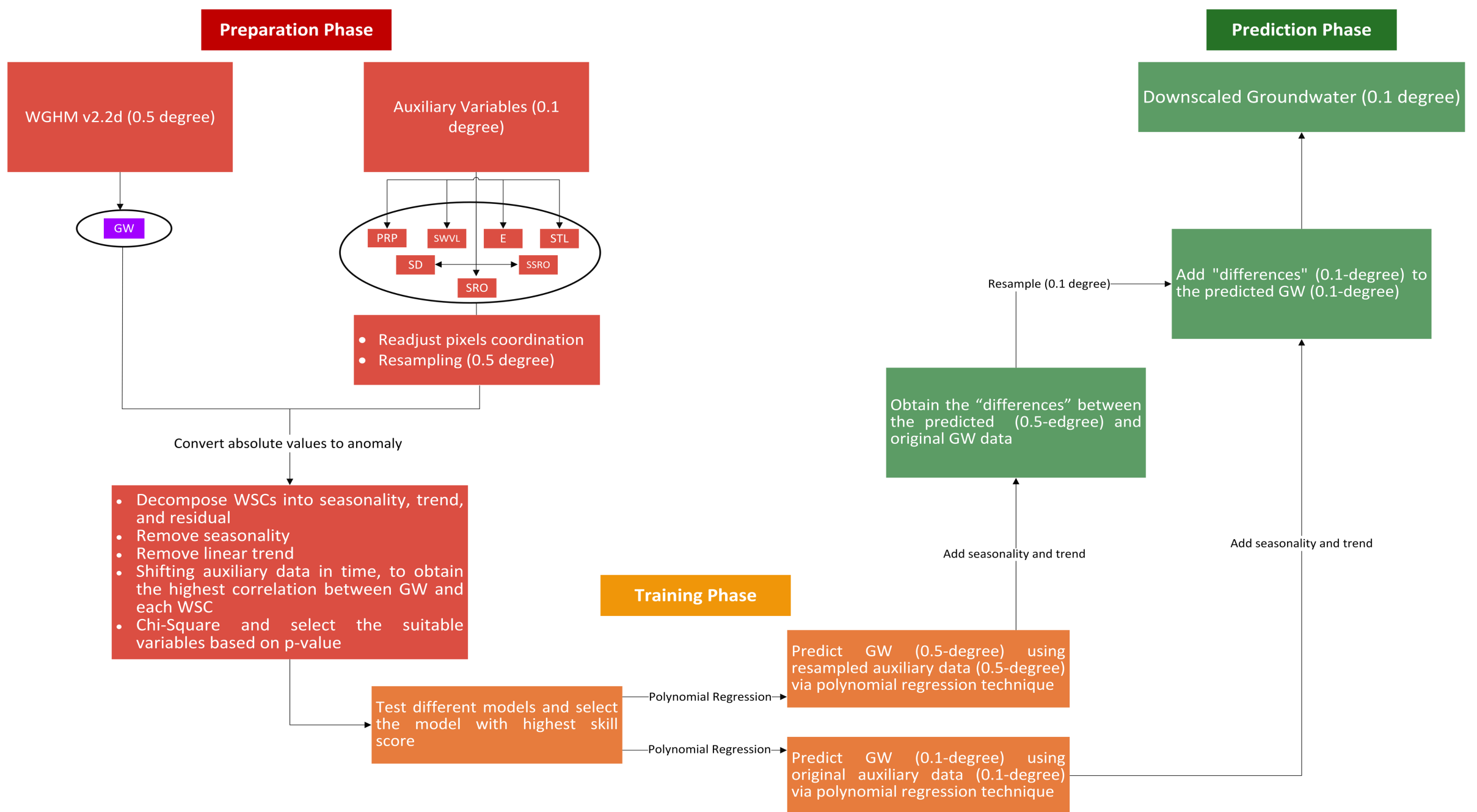
- Training and validating the models



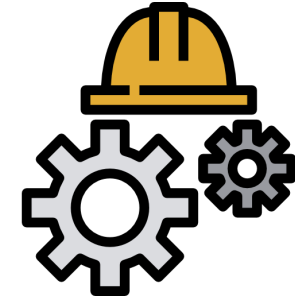
PREDICTION PHASE

- 0.1-degree downscaled product

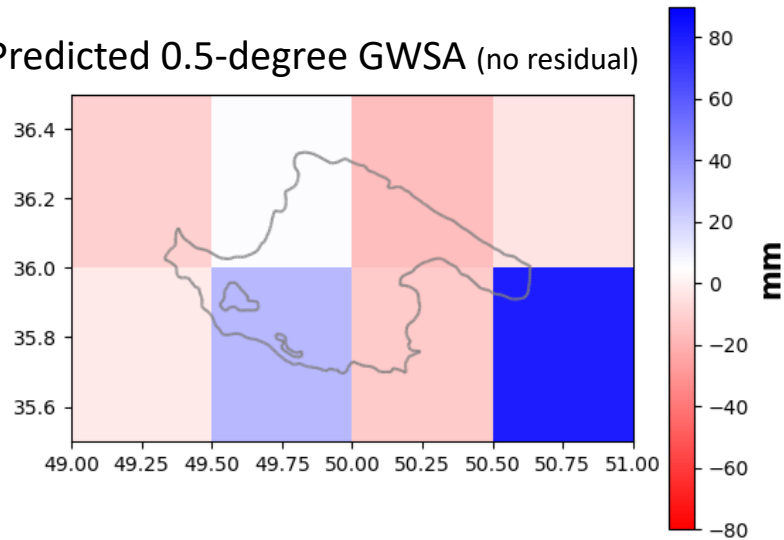




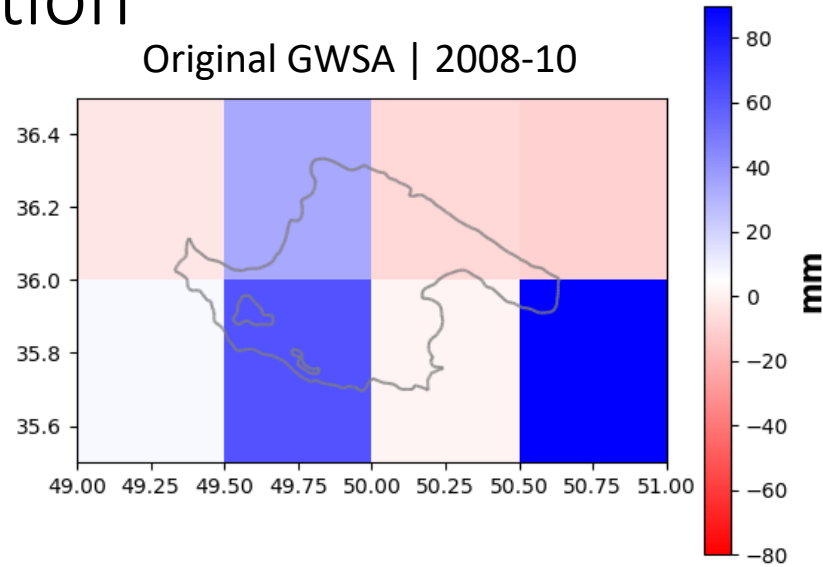
Spatial details completion



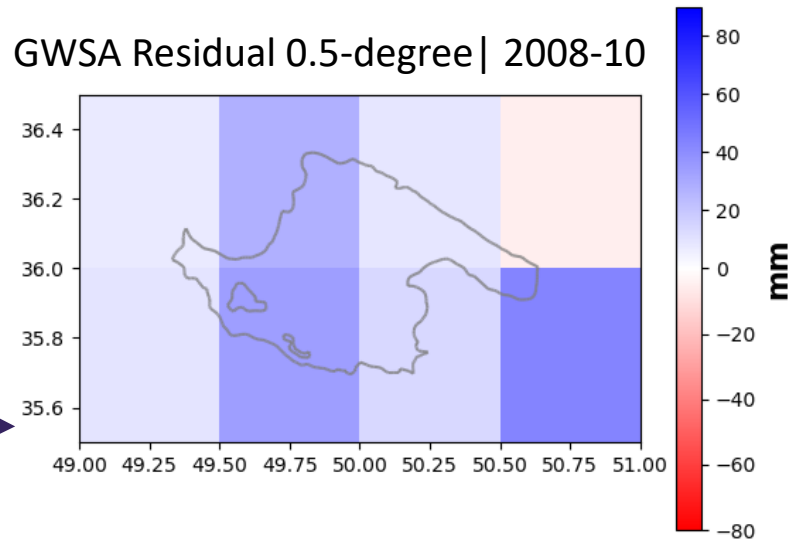
Predicted 0.5-degree GWSA (no residual)



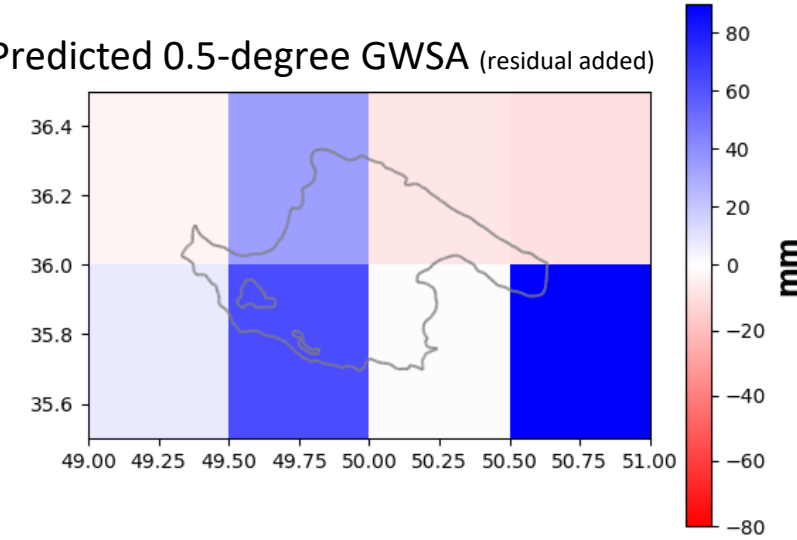
Original GWSA | 2008-10



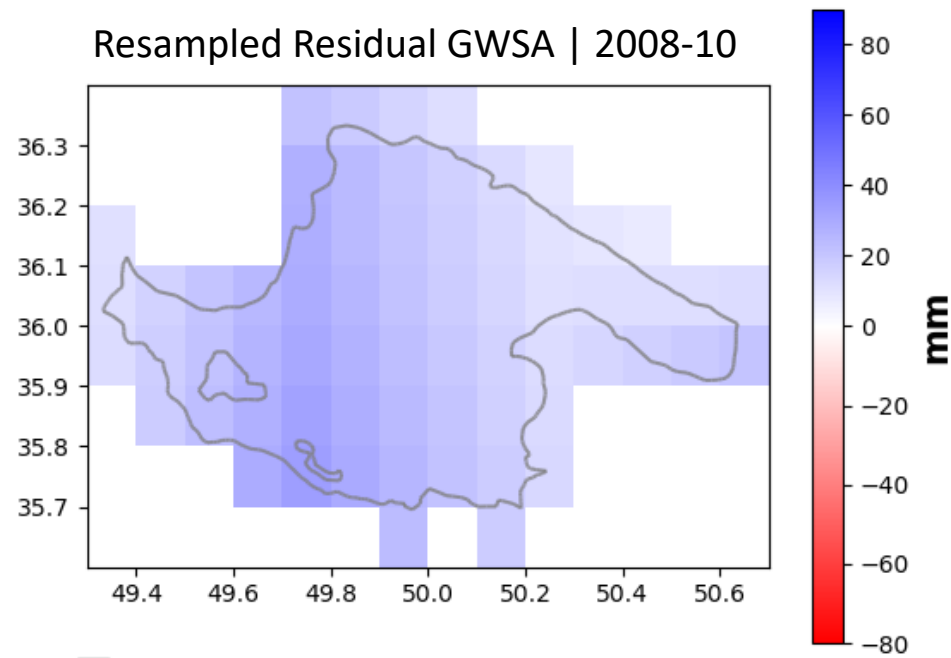
GWSA Residual 0.5-degree | 2008-10



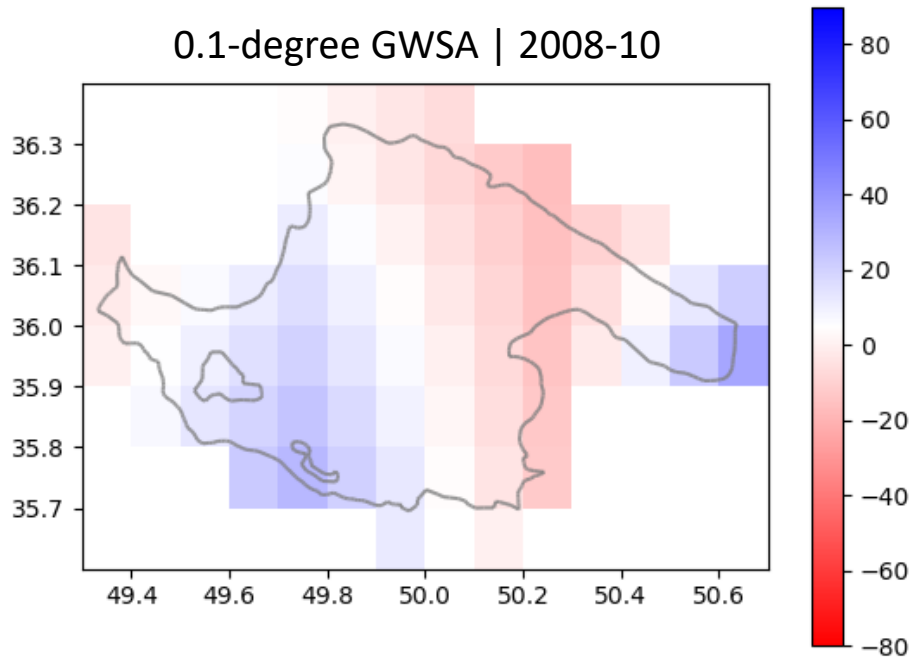
Predicted 0.5-degree GWSA (residual added)



Resampled Residual GWSA | 2008-10

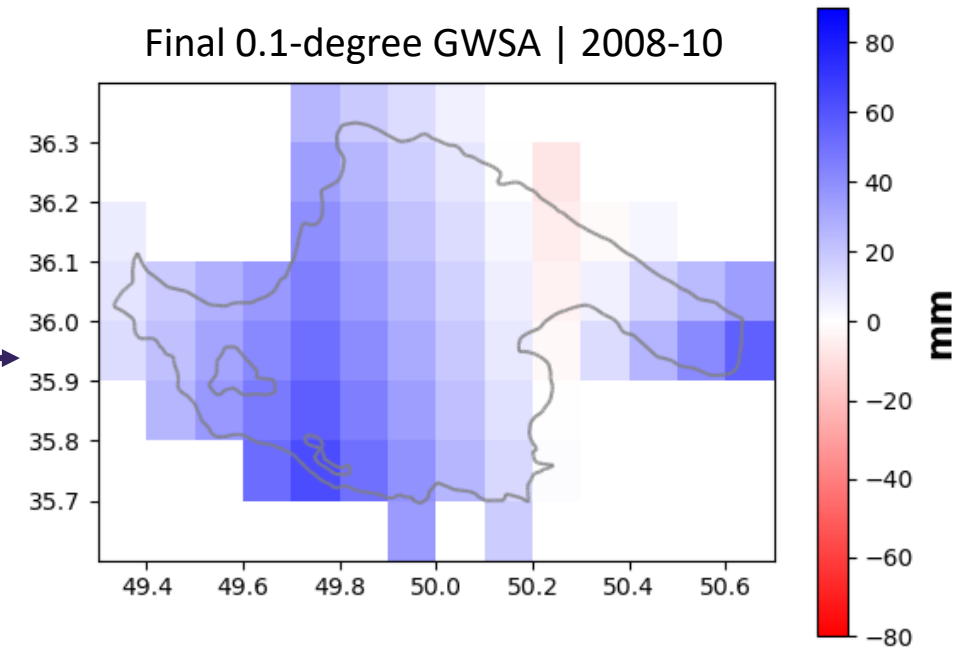


0.1-degree GWSA | 2008-10



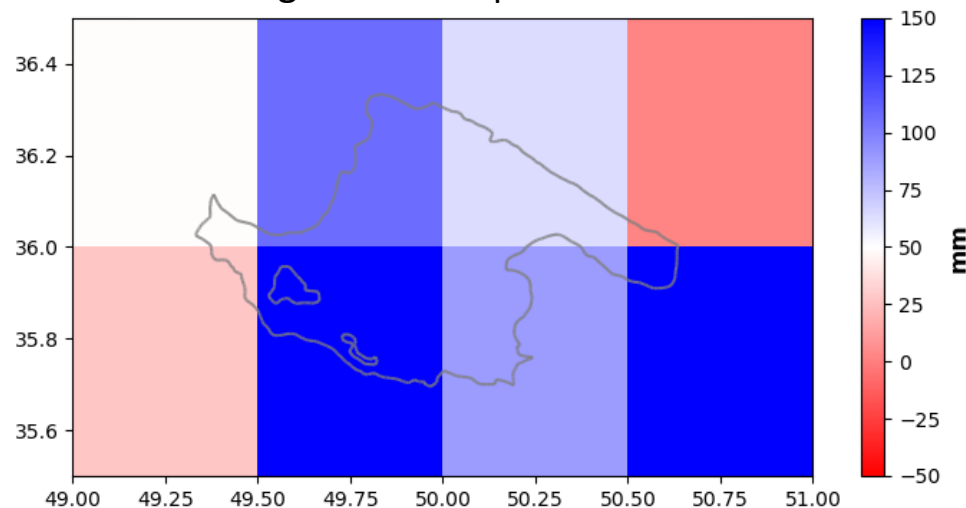
"differences" added
Seasonality
Residuals
Trend

Final 0.1-degree GWSA | 2008-10

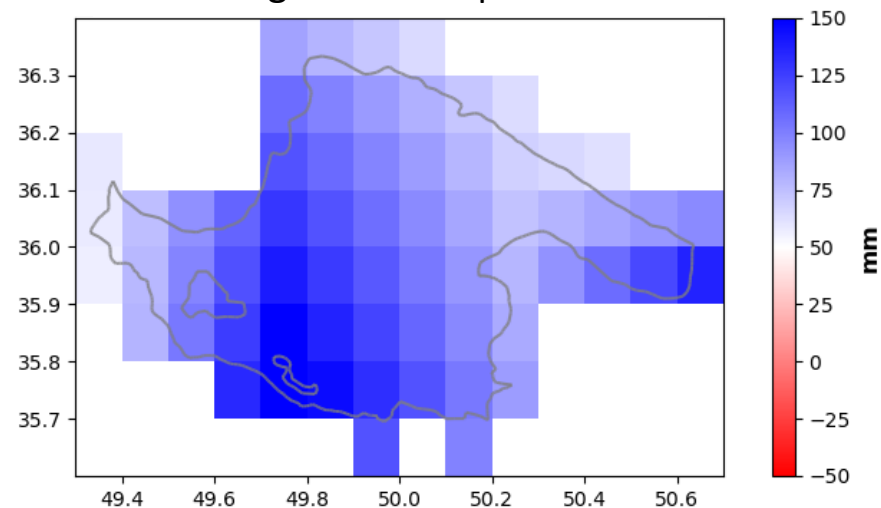


Results & Evaluation

Original GWSA | 2008-04



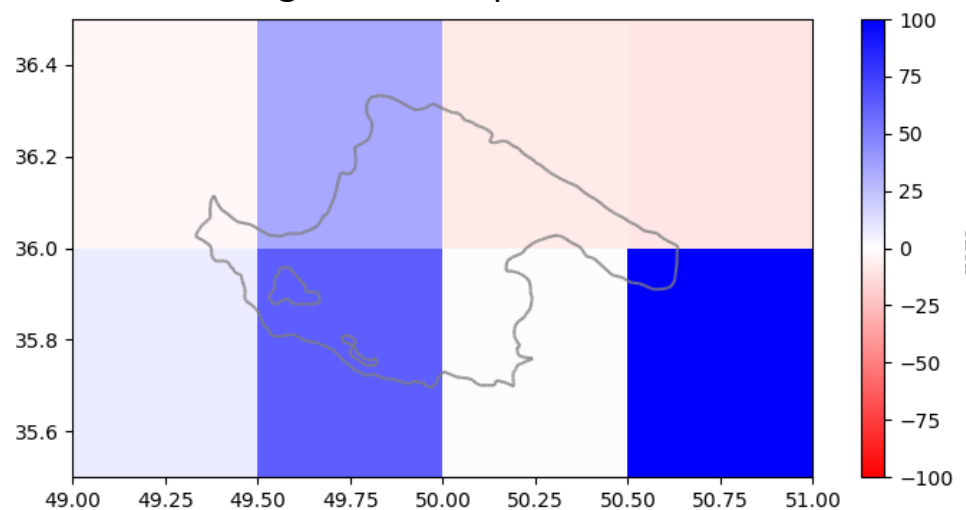
0.1-degree GWSA | 2008-04



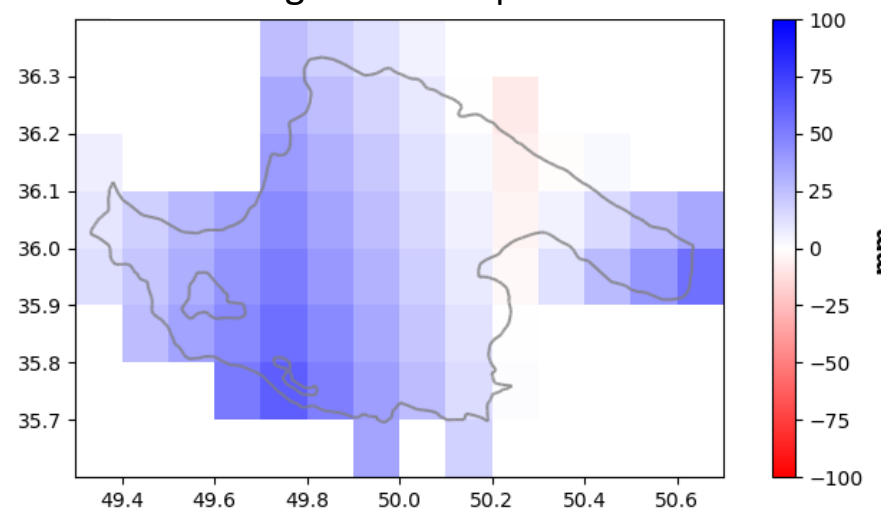
The original data

8 pixels

Original GWSA | 2008-10



0.1-degree GWSA | 2008-10



The predicted data

112 pixels

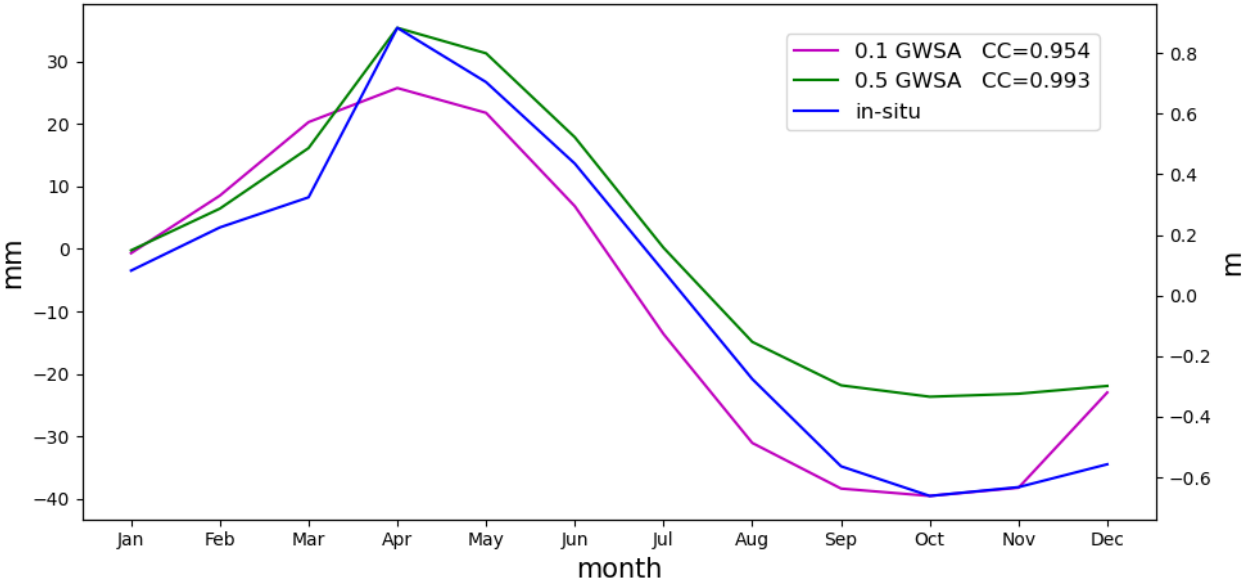
Correlation Coefficients

Climatology: 0.954

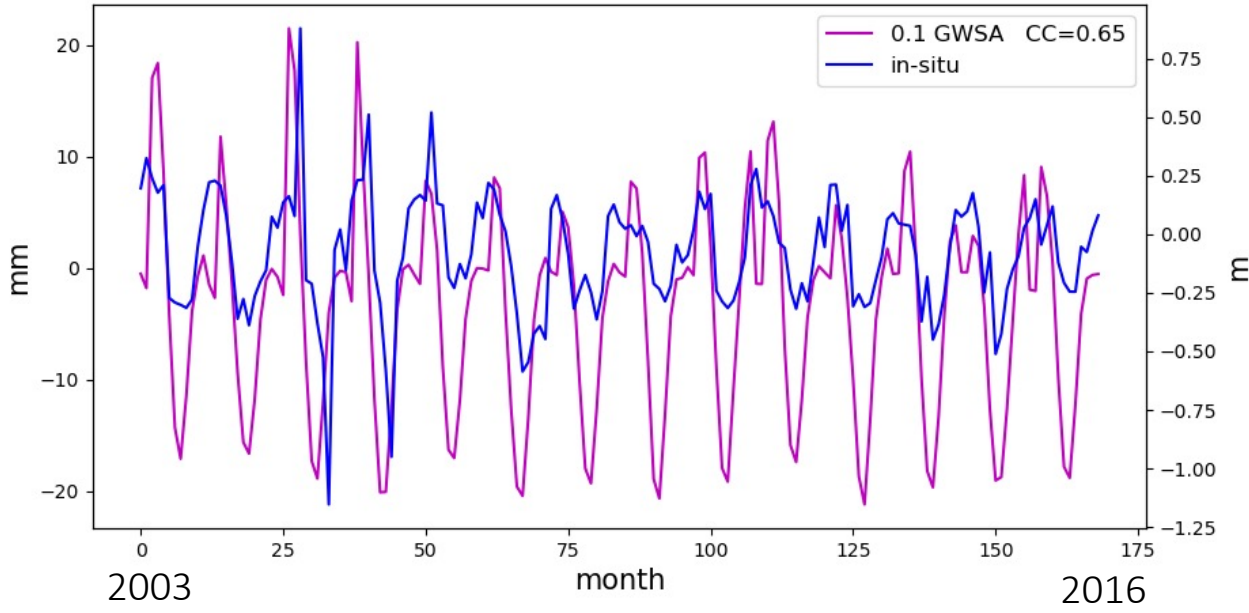
GWSA: 0.991

GWSC: 0.991

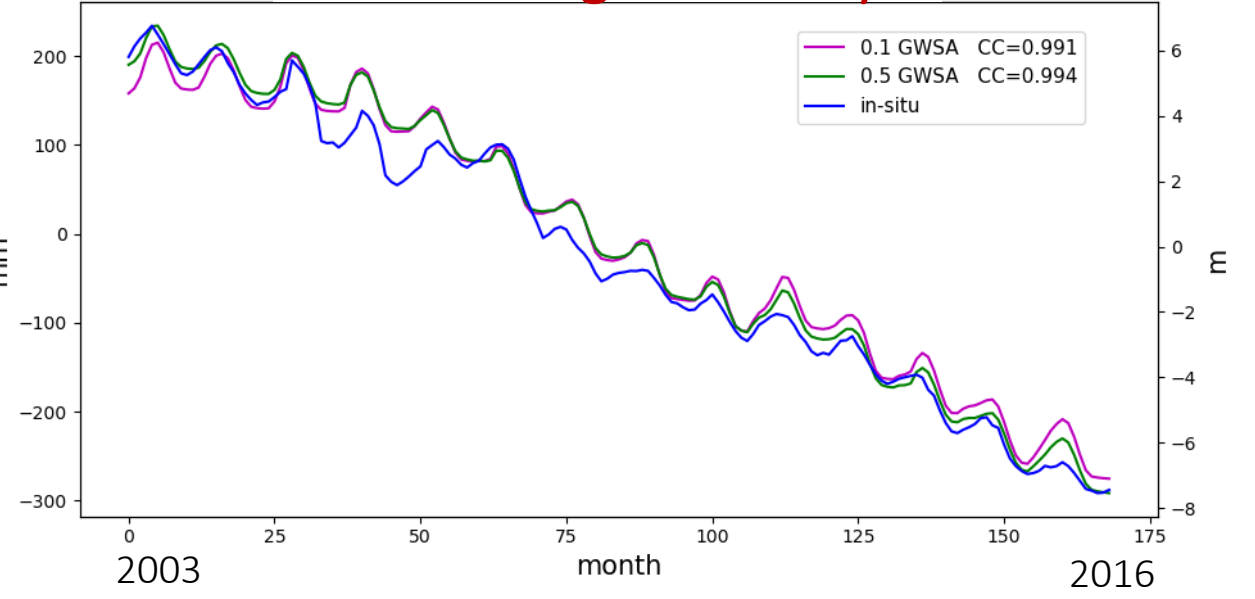
Climatology



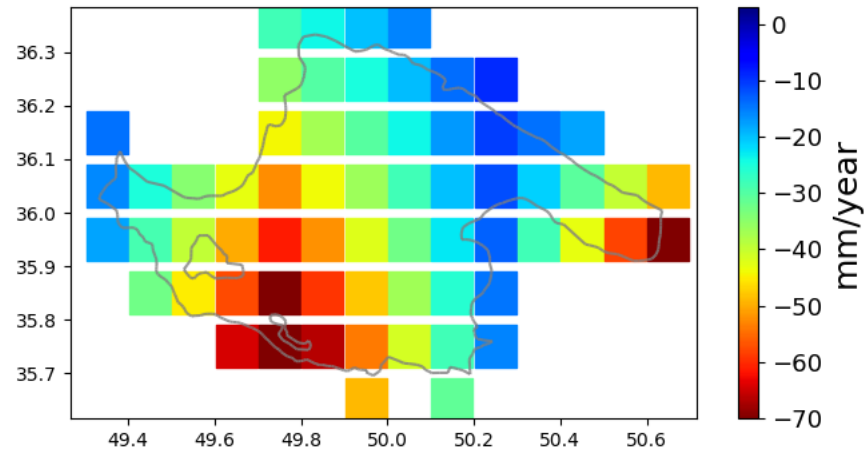
GW Storage Changes



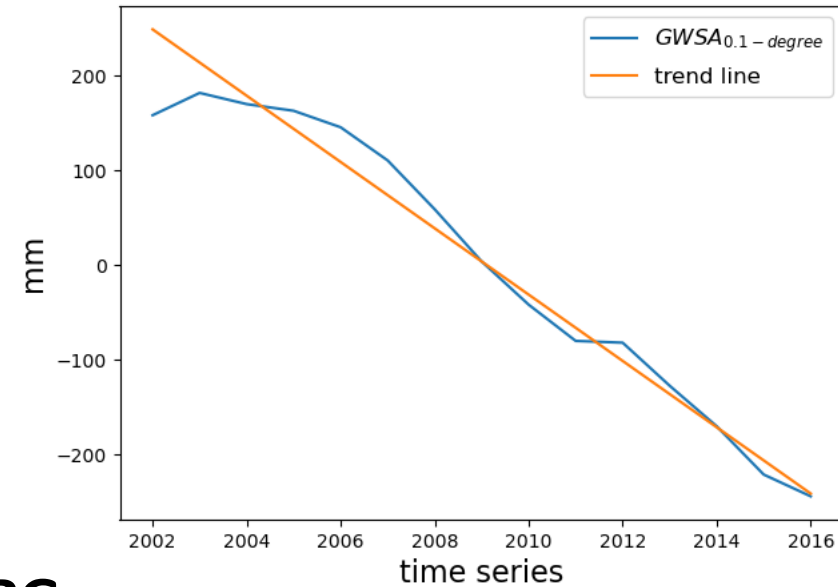
GW Storage Anomaly



0.1-degree GWSA Spatial Trend

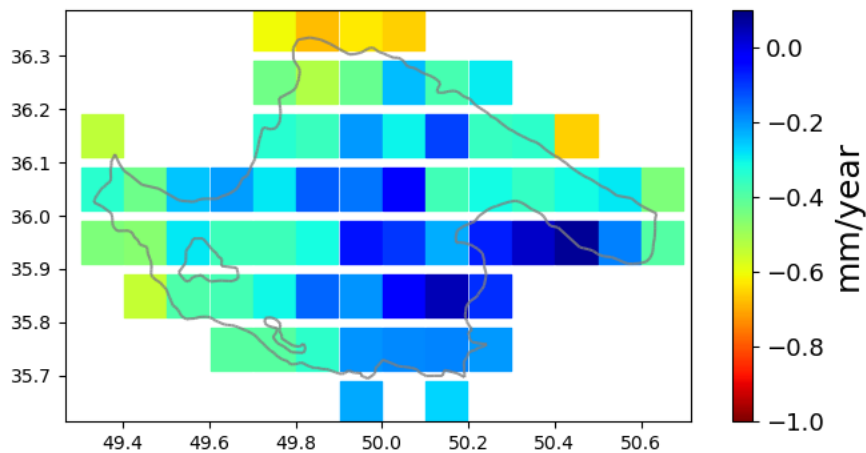


0.1-degree GWSA Linear Trend



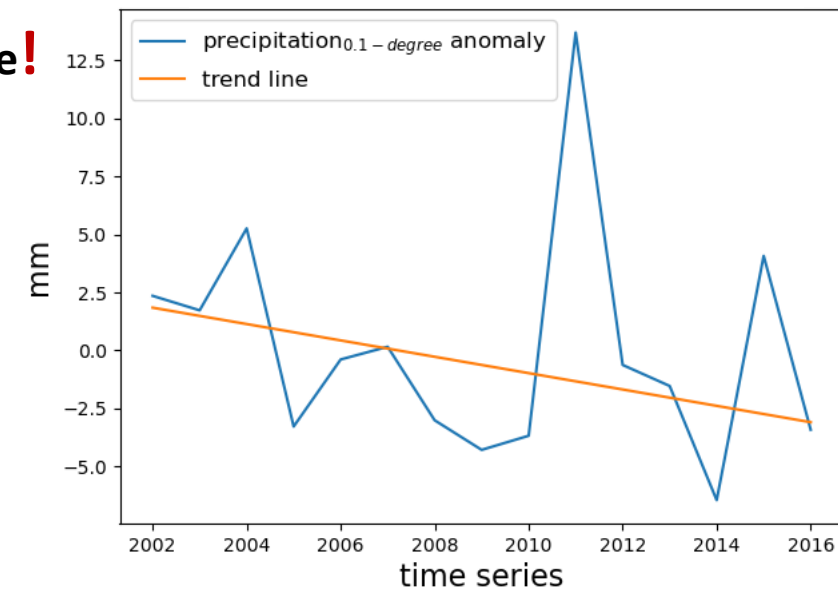
GWSA >> IMERG

0.1-degree IMERG Spatial Trend



!Not So Relative!

0.1-degree IMERG Linear Trend





- 1. The developed downscaling technique is able to learn from high-resolution auxiliary data to capture GWSA features at higher spatial resolution**
- 2. decreasing precipitation anomaly contributes minimally to the decreasing GWSA which can be resulting from human withdrawals for agriculture**