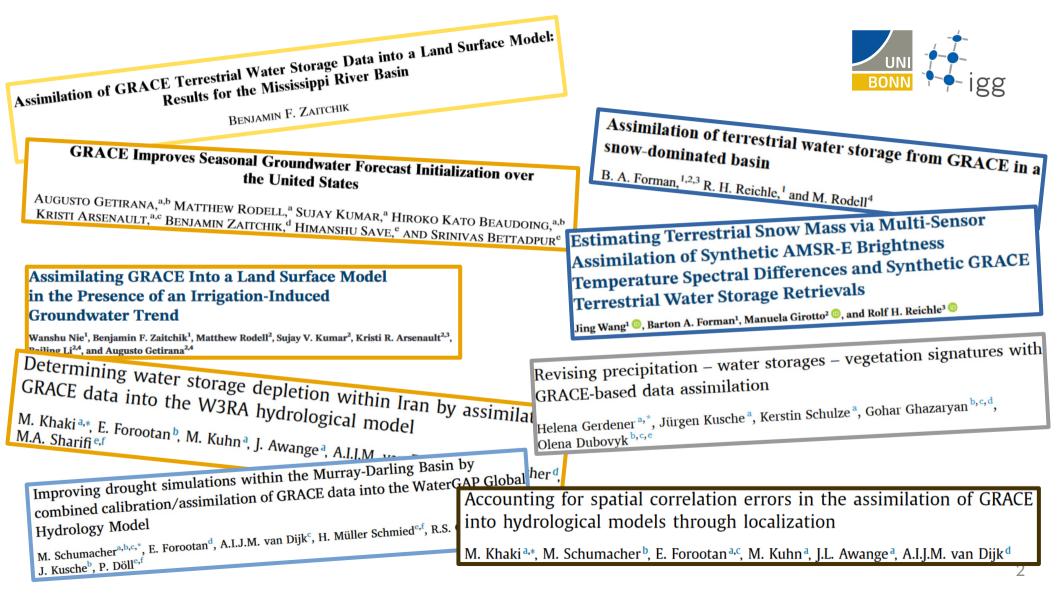


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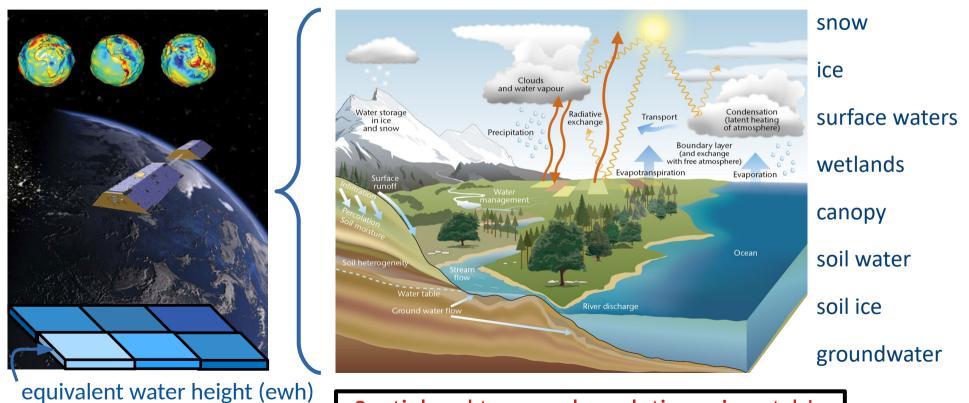




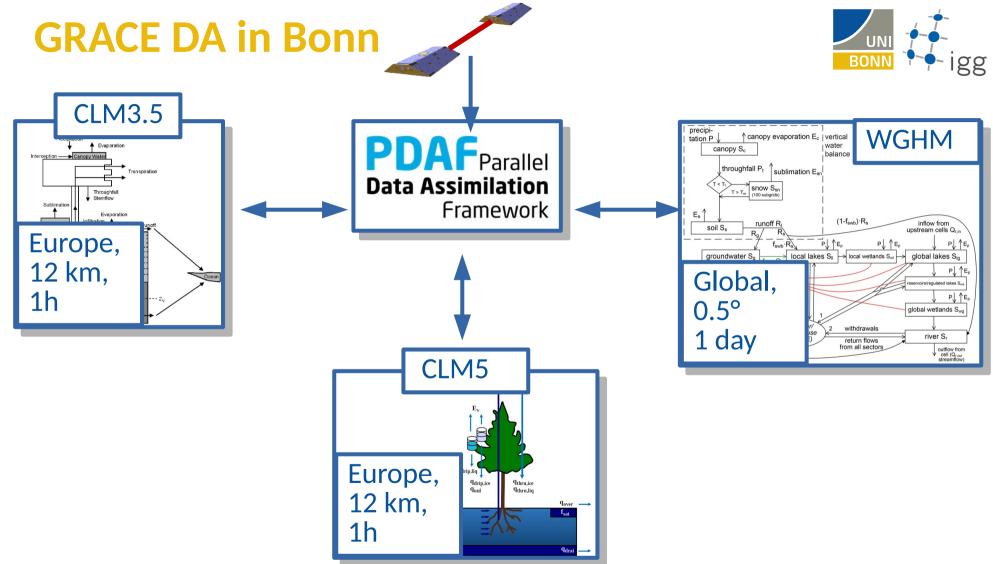
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### **GRACE data assimilation**





Spatial and temporal resolution mismatch!







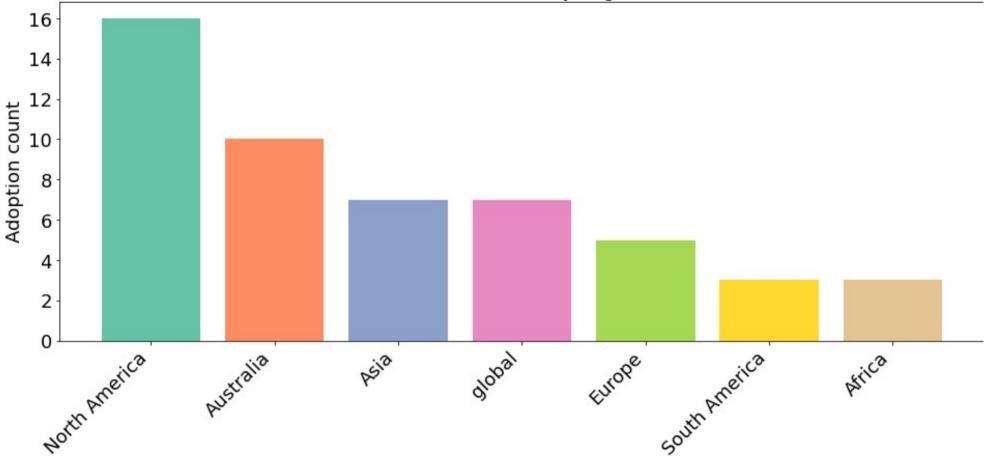
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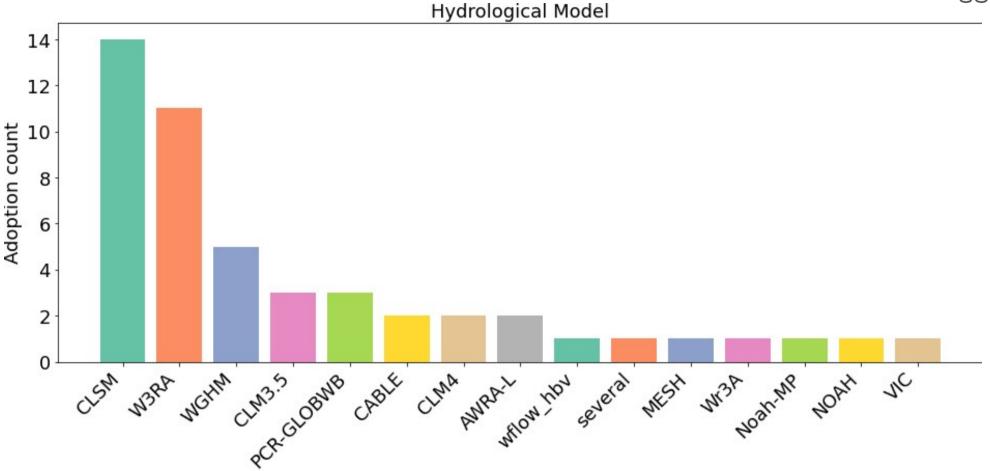
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Continent of Study Region



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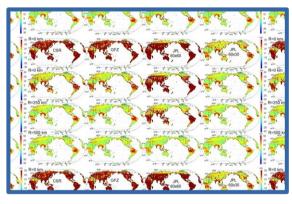




### **GRACE DA choices**



# **GRACE** product and observation error



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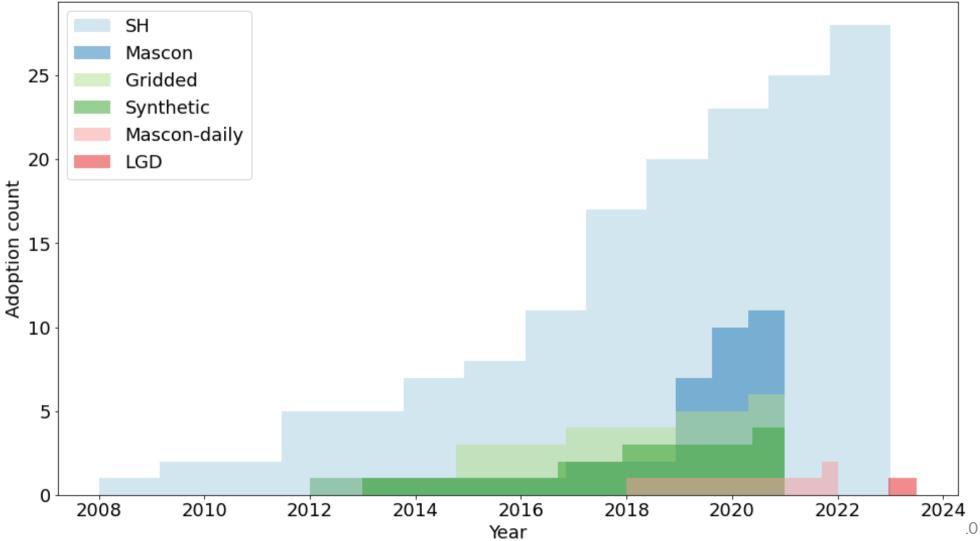
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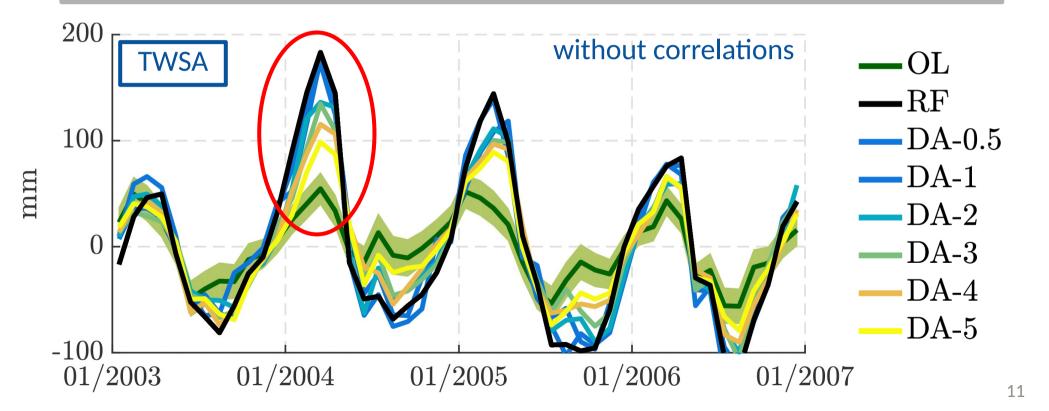
#### GRACE Analysis Approach



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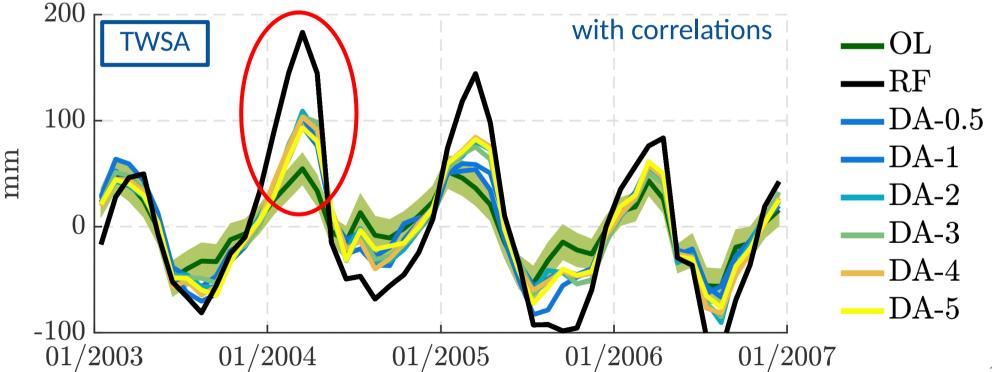
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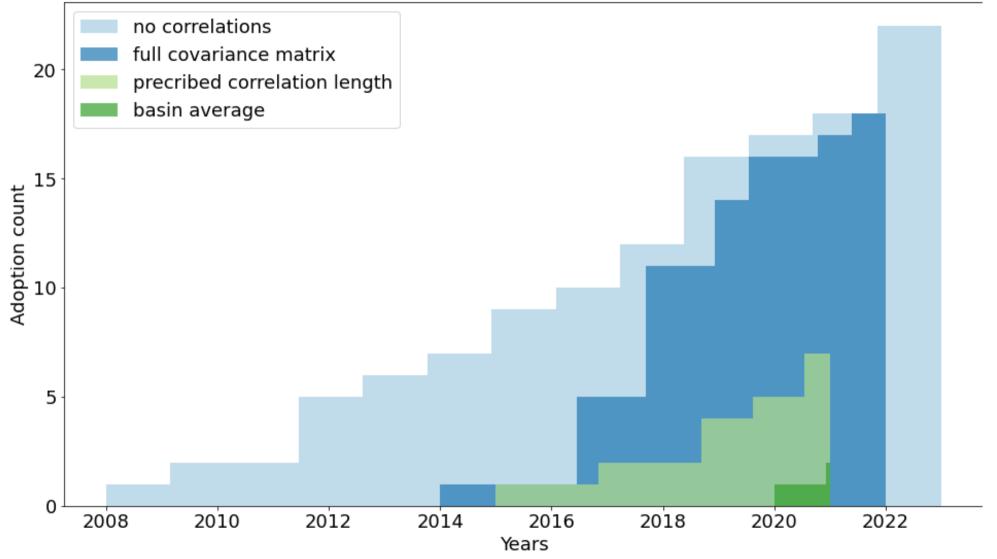
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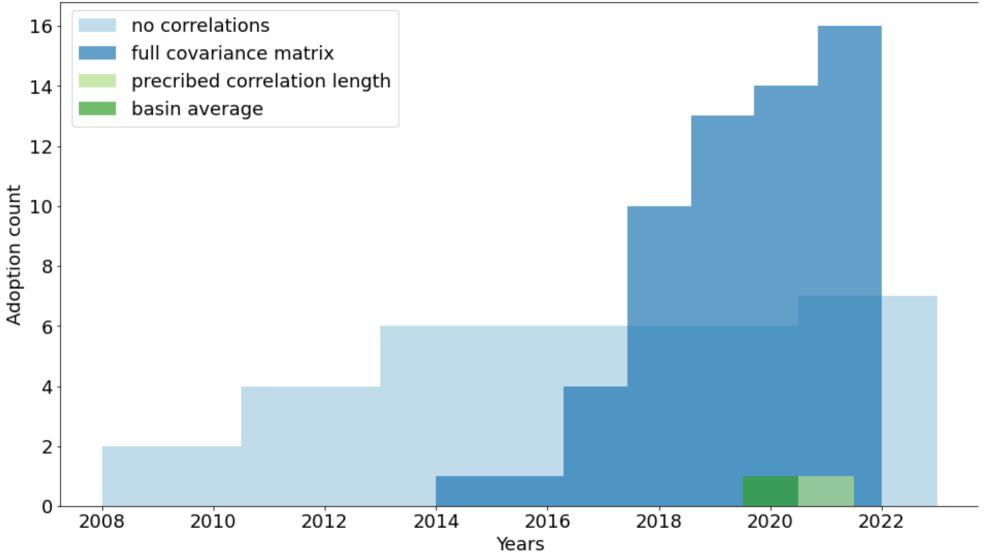
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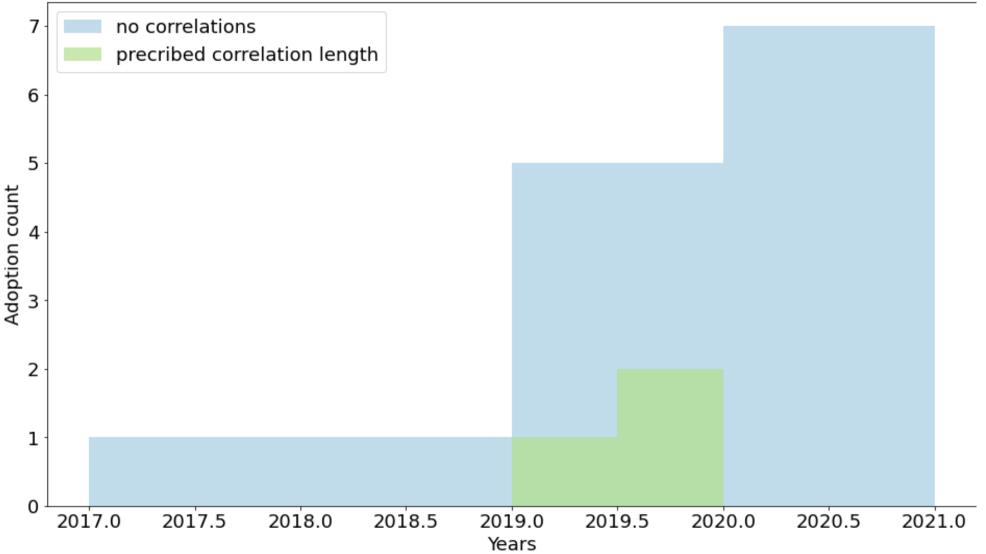
#### Observation error model



#### Observation error model (SH)



#### Observation error model (Mascons)



## **GRACE product and observation error**



Pros

#### Cons

SH	<ul><li>No geophysical constraints</li><li>Full error covariance matrices</li></ul>	<ul><li>Filtering and signal attenuation</li><li>Preprocessing necessary</li></ul>
Mascons	<ul> <li>No filtering necessary</li> </ul>	<ul><li>A priori constraints</li><li>Only diagonal error covariance</li></ul>
Gridded	<ul> <li>Ready to use</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Limited error information</li><li>Prescribed processing options</li></ul>
LGD	<ul> <li>Direct use of GRACE Level 1b data</li> <li>High temporal resolution</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Exploratory approach</li><li>Sophisticated modeling steps</li></ul>

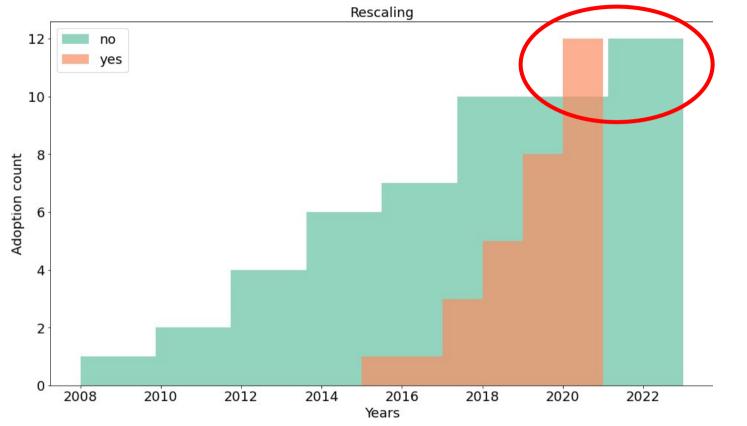
## Filtering / Rescaling (SH solutions)



- Filter, but not rescale
- Apply rescaling factors after filtering to account for signal attenuation
- Rescale filtered GRACE TWSA to the **model variability**
- Filter modeled TWSA in the **observation operator**

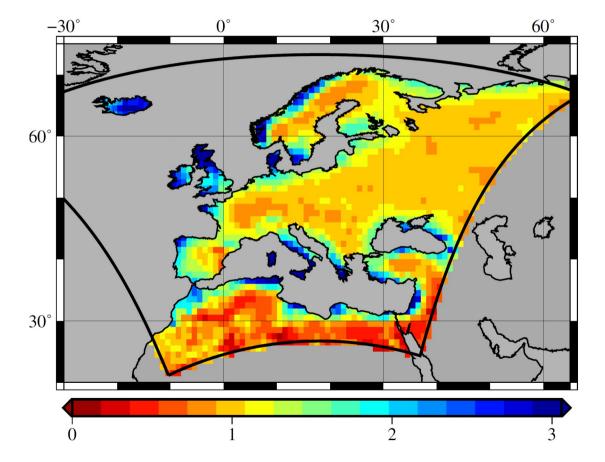
### **Rescaling filtered SH solutions**





Rescaling



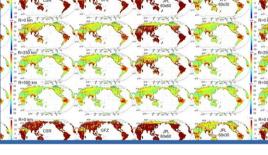


Rescaling factors over Europe computed from an ensemble of 5 global hydrological models.



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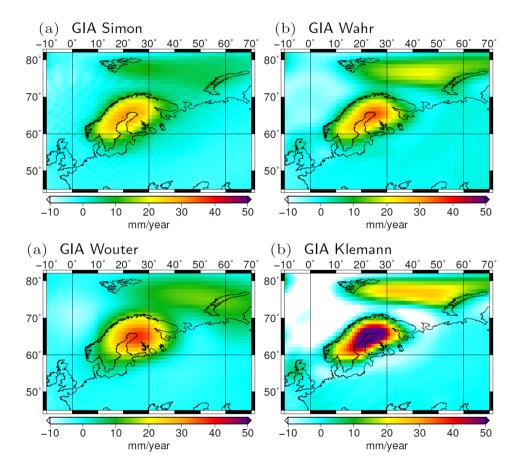
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# **Glacial isostatic adjustment (GIA)**





- GIA models have large differences.
- Errors can be as large as the signal.
- Which model should be used?
- What about error information?
- What is the impact on DA results?

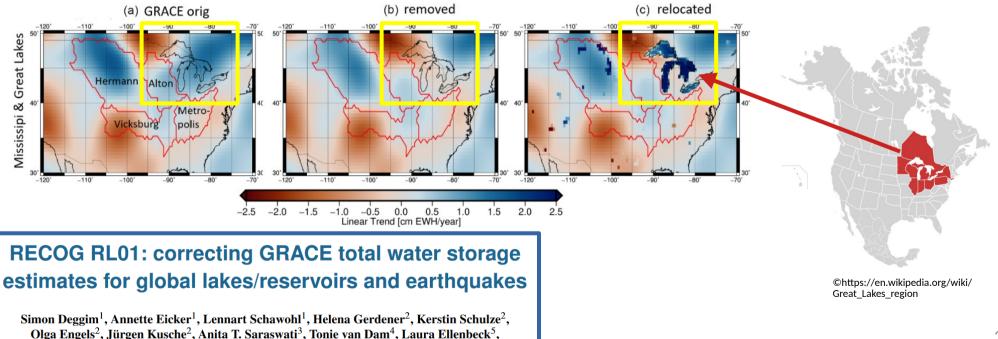
## Lake and reservoir leakage correction



#### Lakes / reservoirs in GRACE TWSA DA frameworks

Denise Dettmering<sup>5</sup>, Christian Schwatke<sup>5</sup>, Stefan Mayr<sup>6</sup>, Igor Klein<sup>6</sup>, and Laurent Longuevergne<sup>7</sup>

- Leakage effect of localized water bodies present in GRACE-derived TWSA.
- During DA neighboring grid cells of surface water bodies might be affected.
- **Possible solution**: Global correction and relocation data sets based on satellite altimetry.

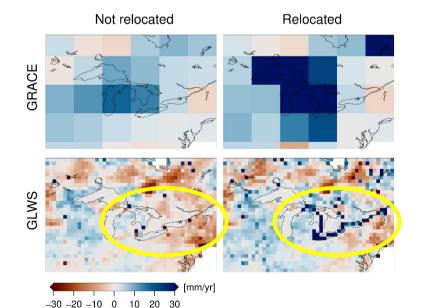


## Lake and reservoir leakage correction



#### Trend assessment of the Great Lakes region

- Larger trend signal for Lake Erle, Huron and Ontario.
- Almost no changes of trends for Lake Superior and Lake Michigan.
- Coarse 4° GRACE/-FO resolution might bias relocation.



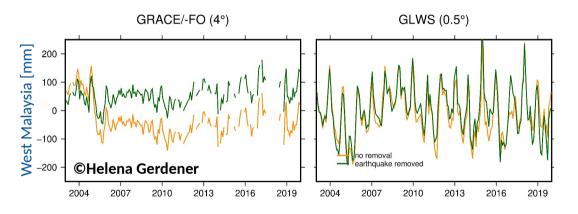


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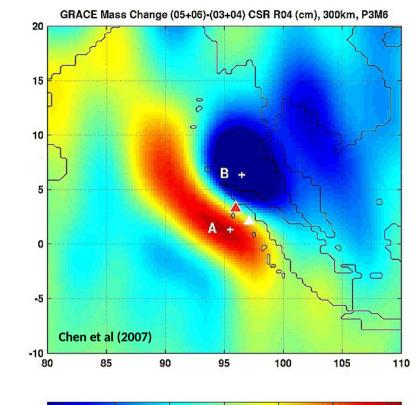
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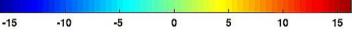
- Missing corrections for Earthquakes might induce erroneous signals into hydrological models during data assimilation.
- Global correction data sets might be useful.



### **RECOG RL01: correcting GRACE total water storage** estimates for global lakes/reservoirs and earthquakes

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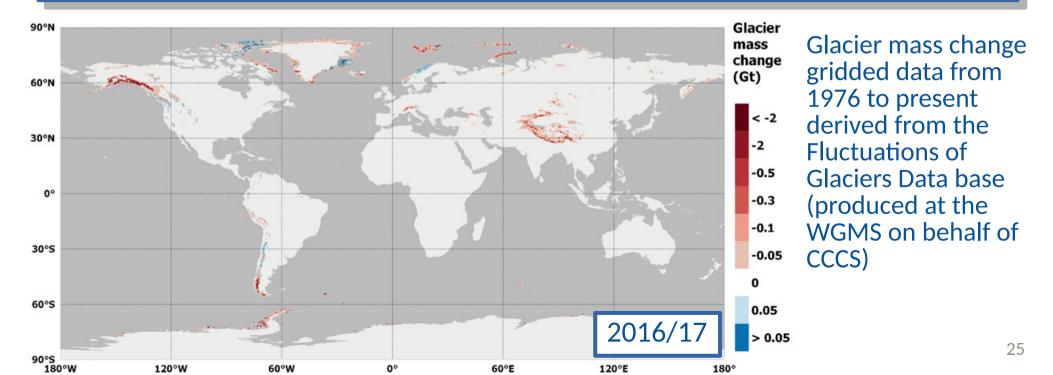


Mass change induced by the Sumatra-Andaman earthquake (2004) and the Nias earthquake (2005)





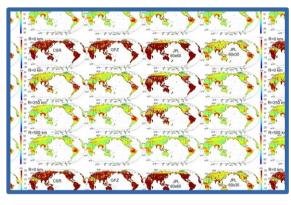
- Glacier mass changes are not included in hydrological models.
- Glacier mass changes observed by GRACE might affect other storage compartments.
- Global glacier mass change products including uncertainties have become available and could be used for correction.







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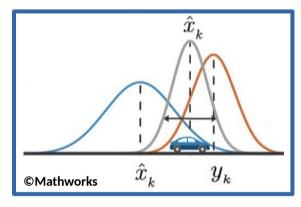
## **DA strategy CLM-PDAF**





- Monthly average
- Average of 3 selected days to mimic GRACE observation period

### **DA algorithm**

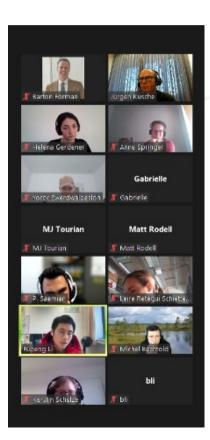


- Global filters (e.g., EnKF)
- Local filters, here: **LESTKF** (Local Error Subspace Transform Kalman Filter)
- Other options, such as Particle Filters



- At last day of month
- At first day of month and loop
- Loop and apply fraction of increment to each day
- Temporal downsampling of GRACE TWSA

### **GRACE/-FO DA workshop Jan. 2024**



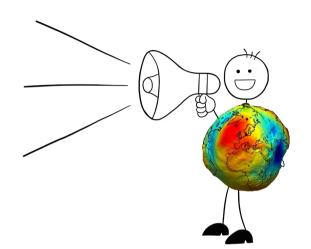


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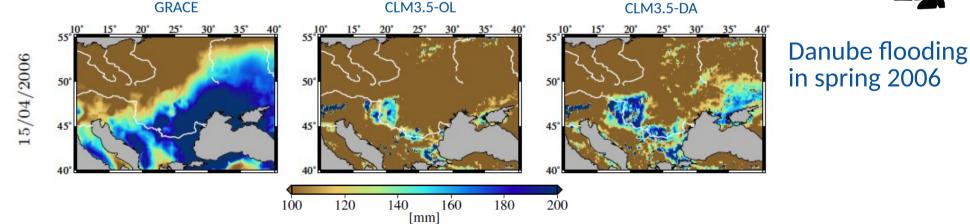
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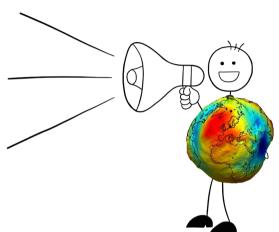


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