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Introduction

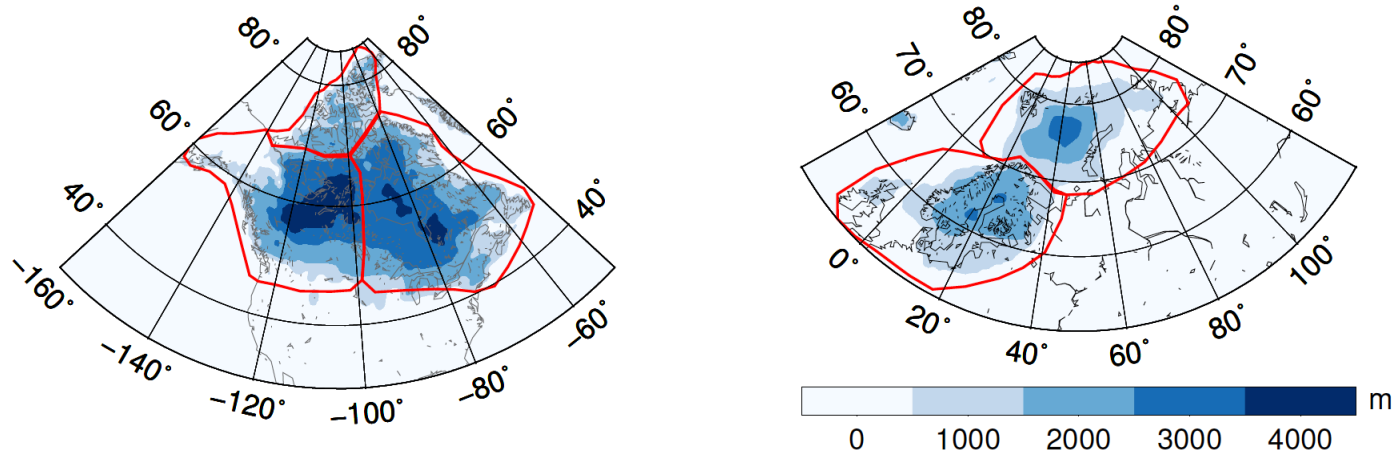
- GRACE does not distinguish between signals from the solid earth (GIA) and the water layer (PD).
- PD geoid fingerprints can be accurately pre-computed (while GIA fingerprints depend on modelling choices).
- PD and GIA fingerprints have very different spectra and temporal evolution, hence:

=> They can be simultaneously constrained by GRACE timeseries.

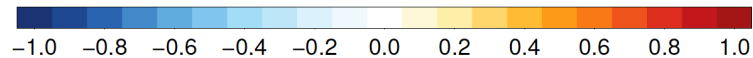
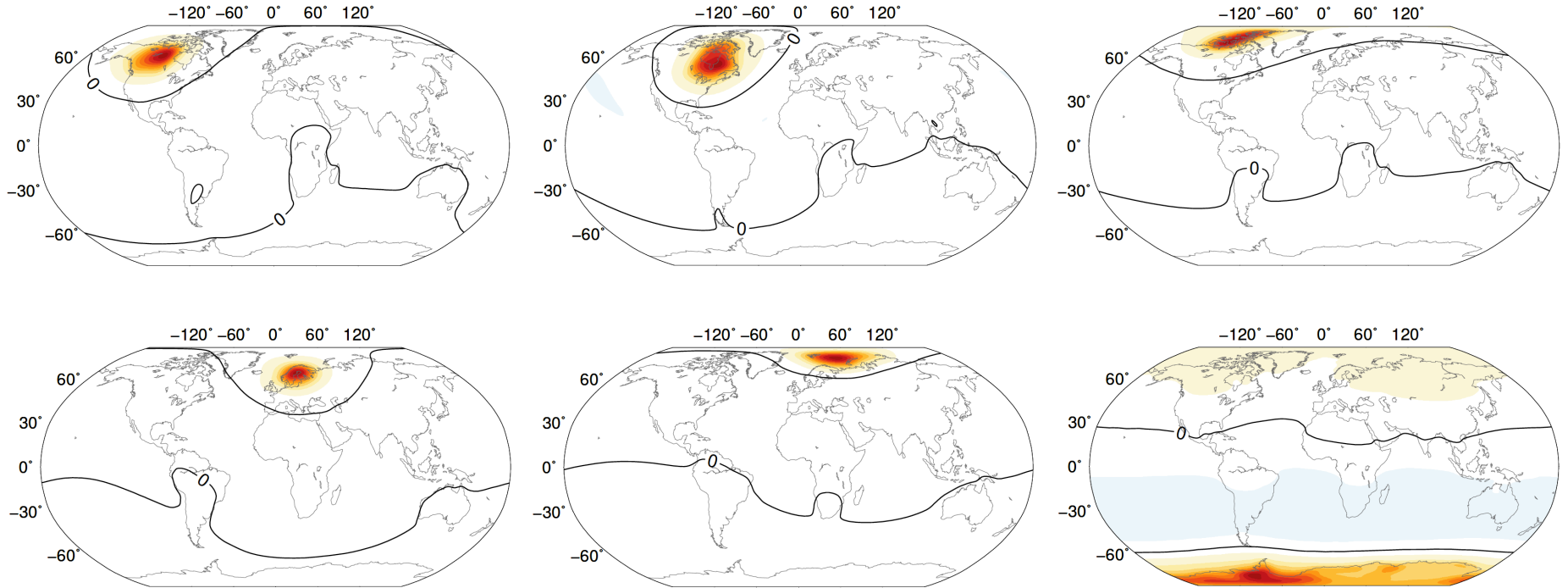
GIA fingerprints

The main control on GIA patterns comes from the ice load at LGM (for past ice sheets).

- Northern hemisphere: 5 fingerprints from ICE-5G (no Greenland).
- Southern hemisphere: Antarctica only (IJ05).

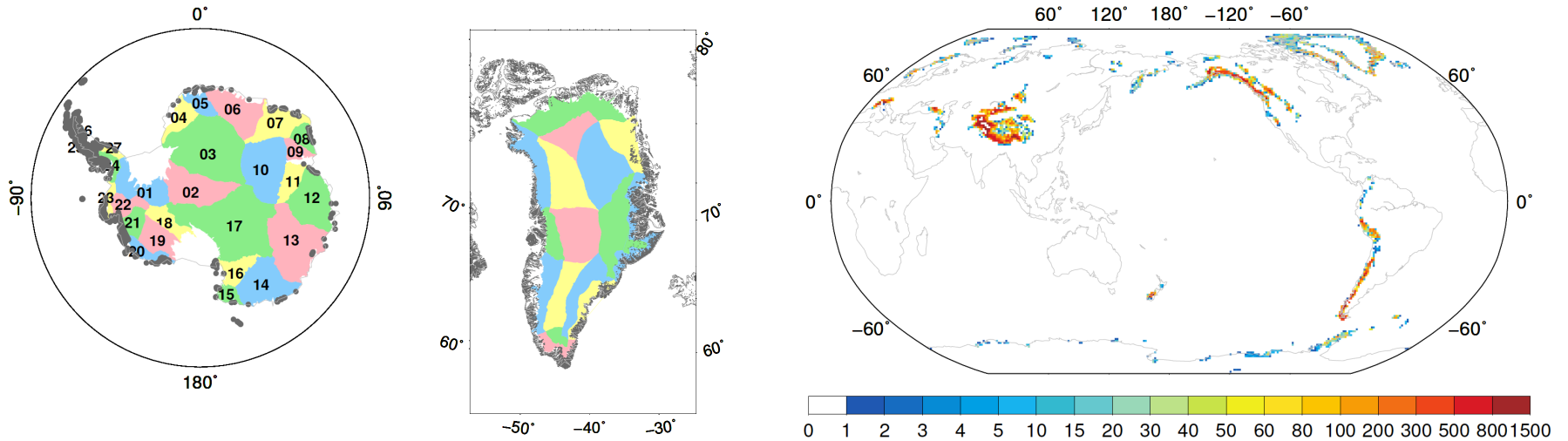


GIA fingerprints (LM viscosity 10^{22} Pa s)



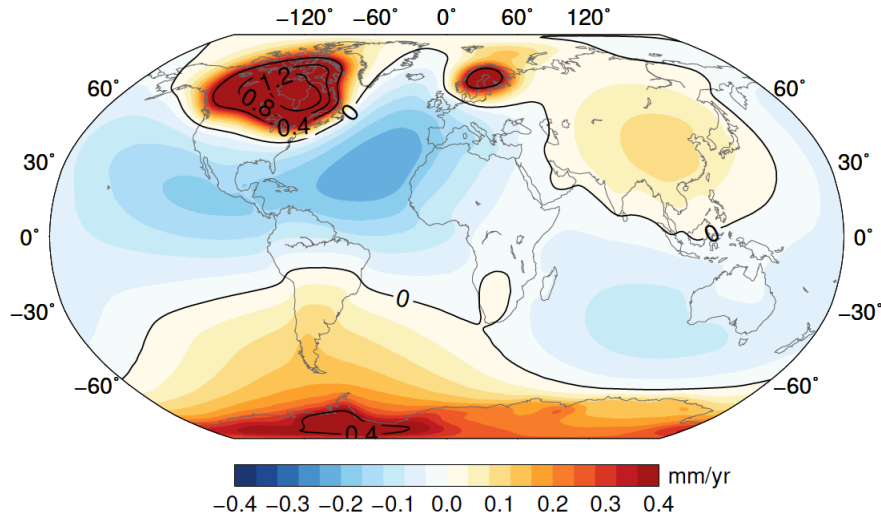
Land ice fingerprints

Antarctica and Greenland ISs: one fingerprint per main drainage basin.
Glaciers: GLIMPS database (including IS peripherals).

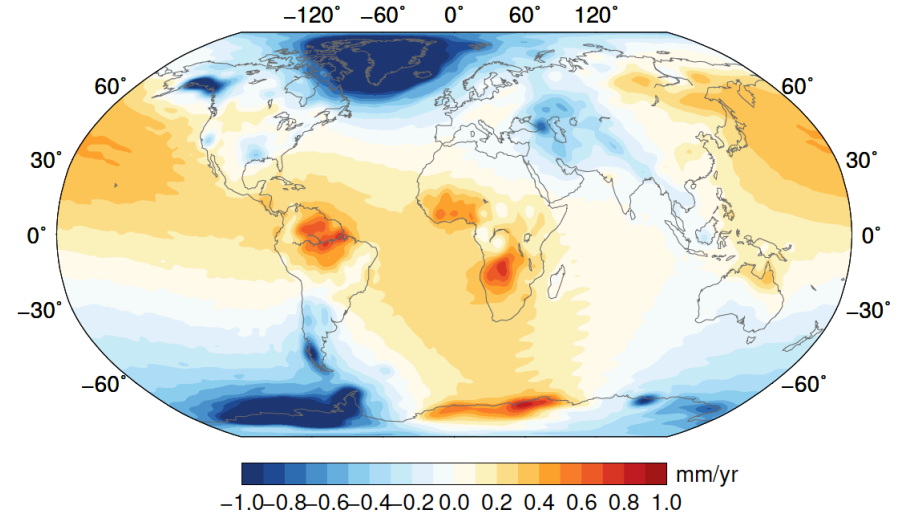


Geoid changes (LM viscosity 10^{22} Pa s)

GIA

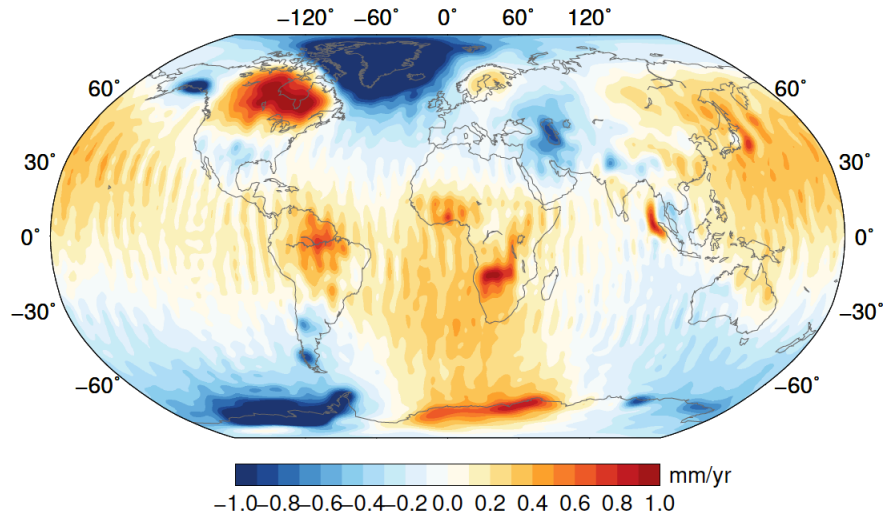


Land ice and waters (PD)

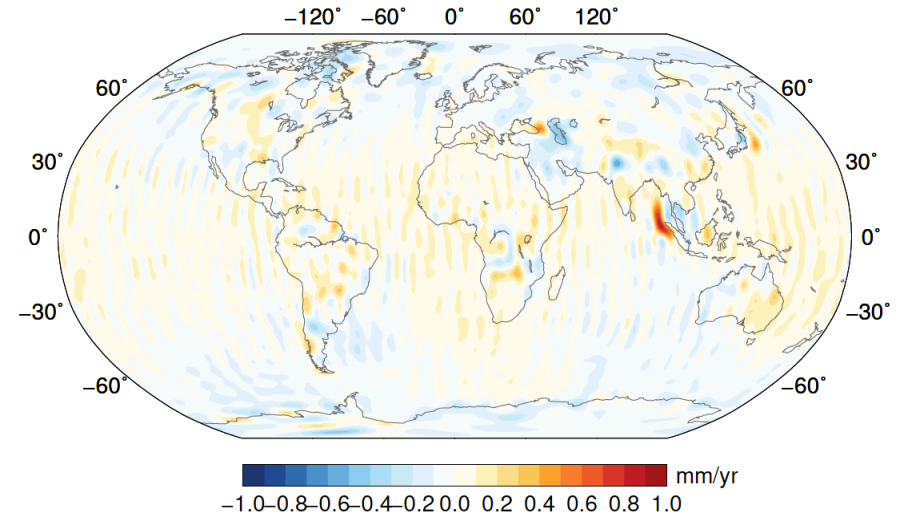


Geoid changes (LM viscosity 10^{22} Pa s)

GRACE trend

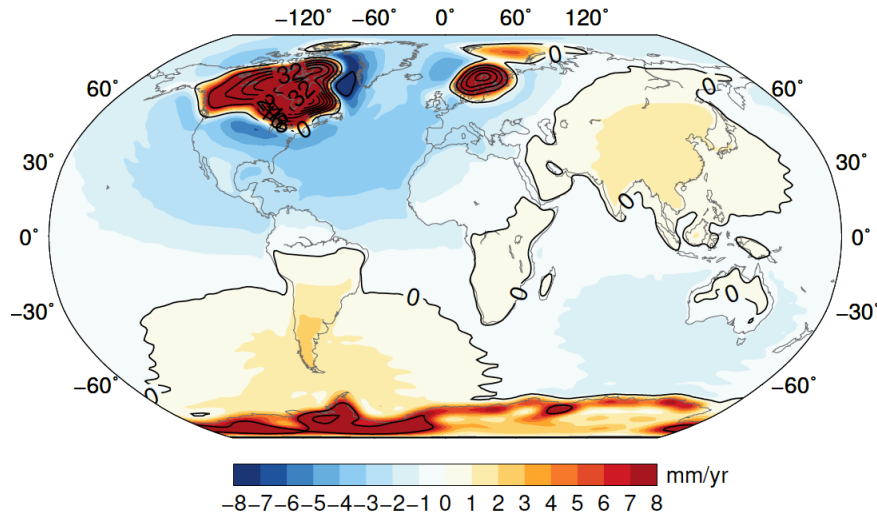


Residual

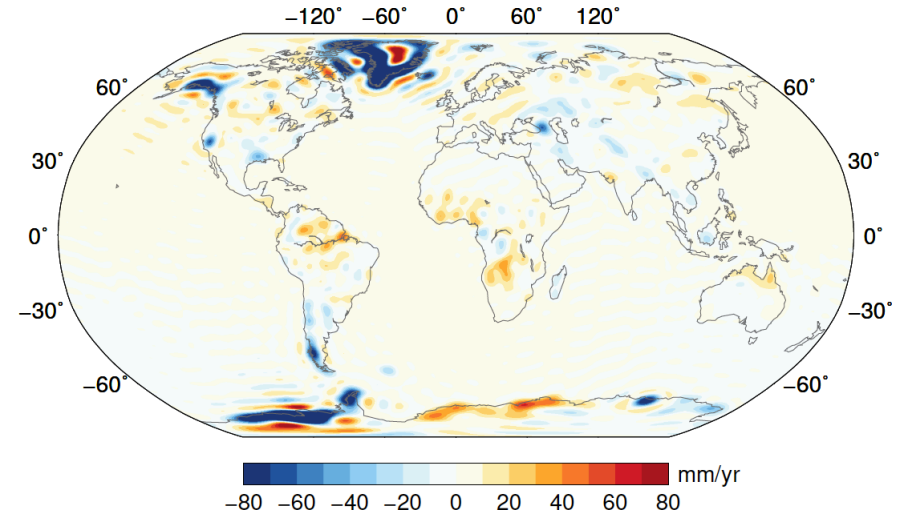


Surface mass changes (LM viscosity 10^{22} Pa s)

GIA

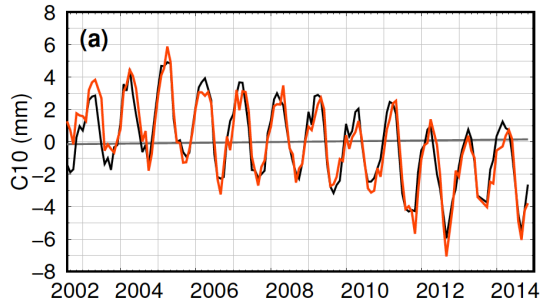


Land ice and waters (PD)

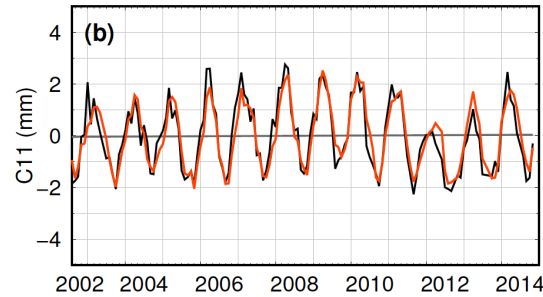


Geocentre motion and earth rotation trends

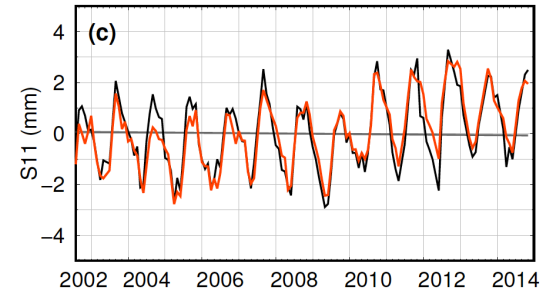
Z (PD): -0.41 mm/yr



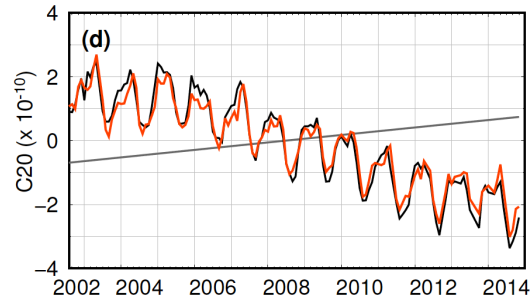
X (PD): 0.02 mm/yr



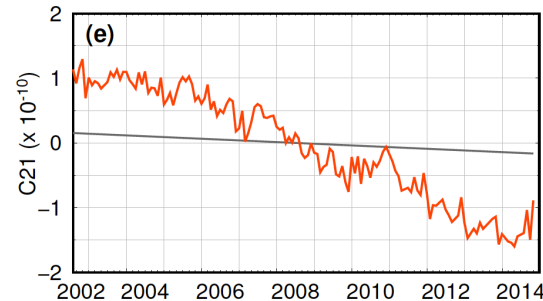
Y (PD): 0.17 mm/yr



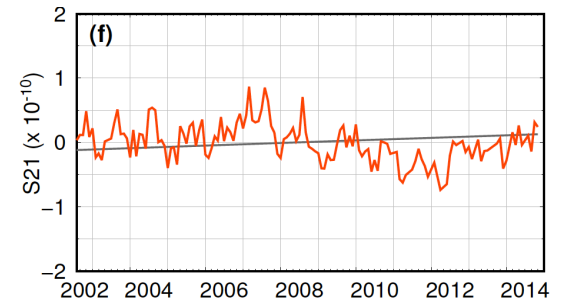
J_2 (PD; GIA): (6.9; -2.7) 10^{-11} 1/yr



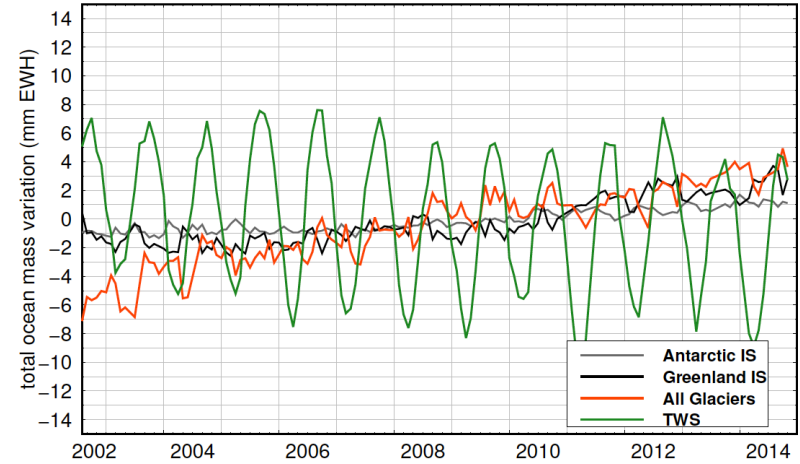
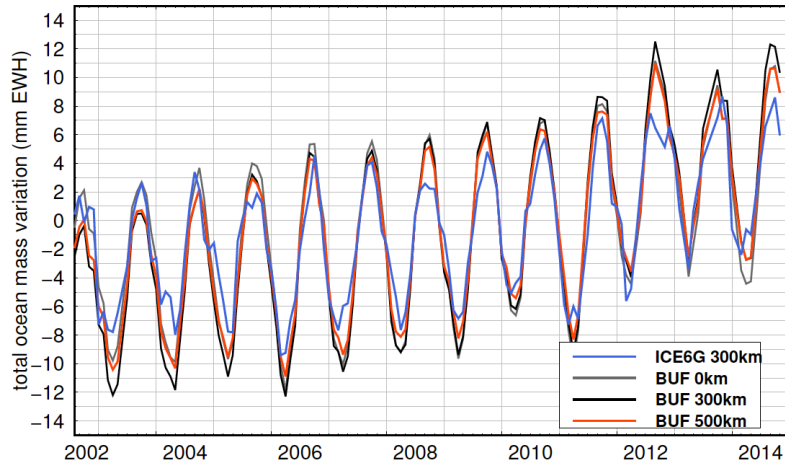
m_1 (PD; GIA): (-14; -2) marcsec/yr



m_2 (PD; GIA): (-2; 1) marcsec/yr



Ice and water contribution to ocean mass changes



Global ocean: 0.96 mm/yr

Residual: 0.03 mm/yr

GRACE-ICE6G: 0.52 mm/yr

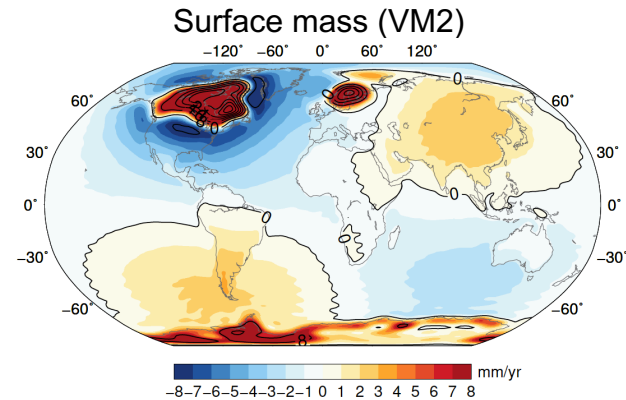
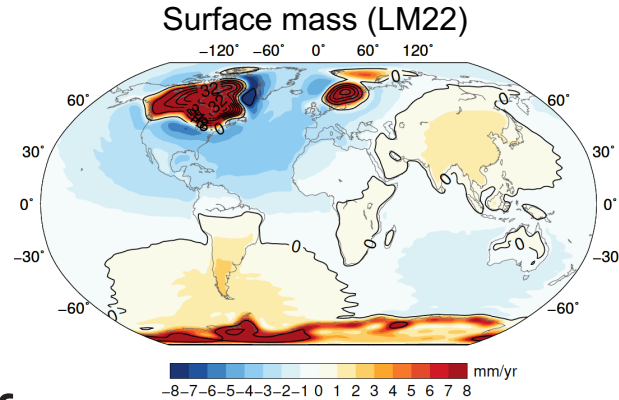
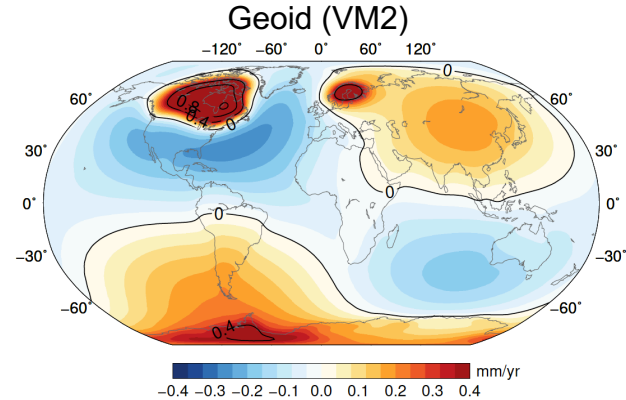
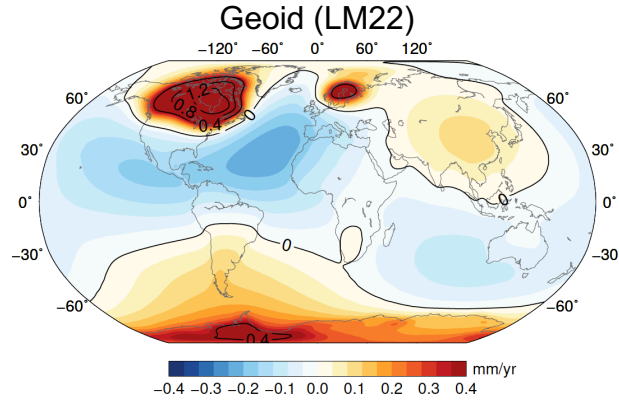
Greenland: 0.63 mm/yr (-229 Gt/yr)

Antarctica: 0.29 mm/yr (-106 Gt/yr)

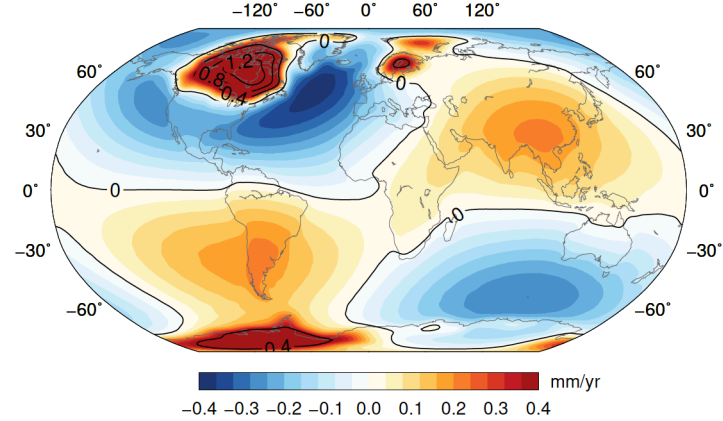
Glaciers: 0.30 mm/yr (-109 Gt/yr)

Land waters: -0.27 mm/yr (+98 Gt/yr)

Sensitivity to lower mantle viscosity

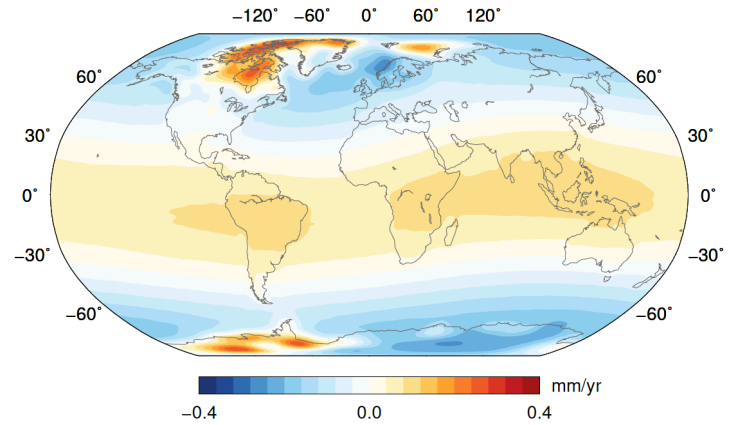
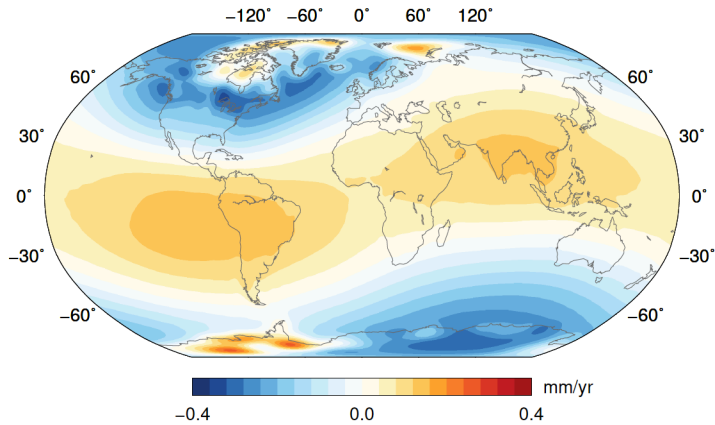


Comparison against ICE-6G_C (VM5a) geoid



ICE-6G – LM22

ICE-6G – VM2

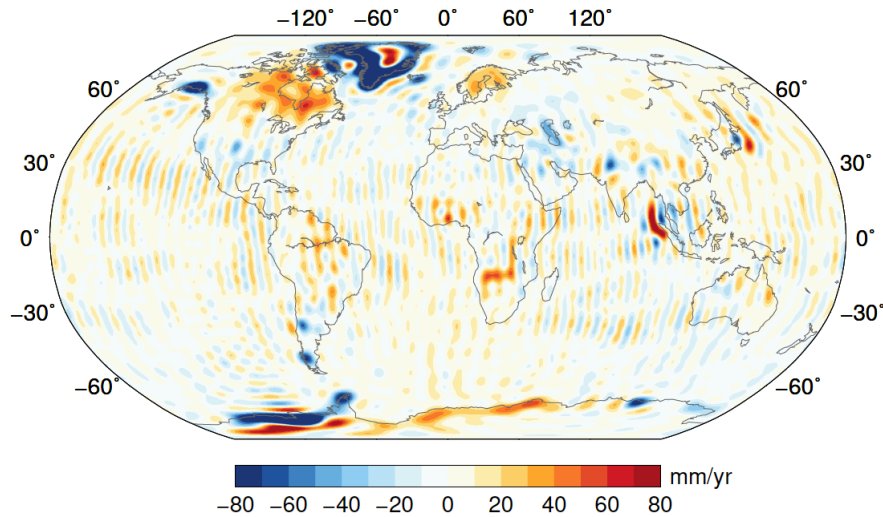


Conclusions

- Fingerprints are physical basis functions that allow separation of GIA from PD signals in GRACE.
- The PD trend has little sensitivity to lower mantle viscosity.
- The estimated pole tide can provide an independent estimate for modelling purposes.

Surface mass changes (LM viscosity 10^{22} Pa s)

GRACE trend



Residual

