

Methodologies for Enabling Bayesian Calibration in Land-ice Modeling Towards Probabilistic Projections of Sea-level Change

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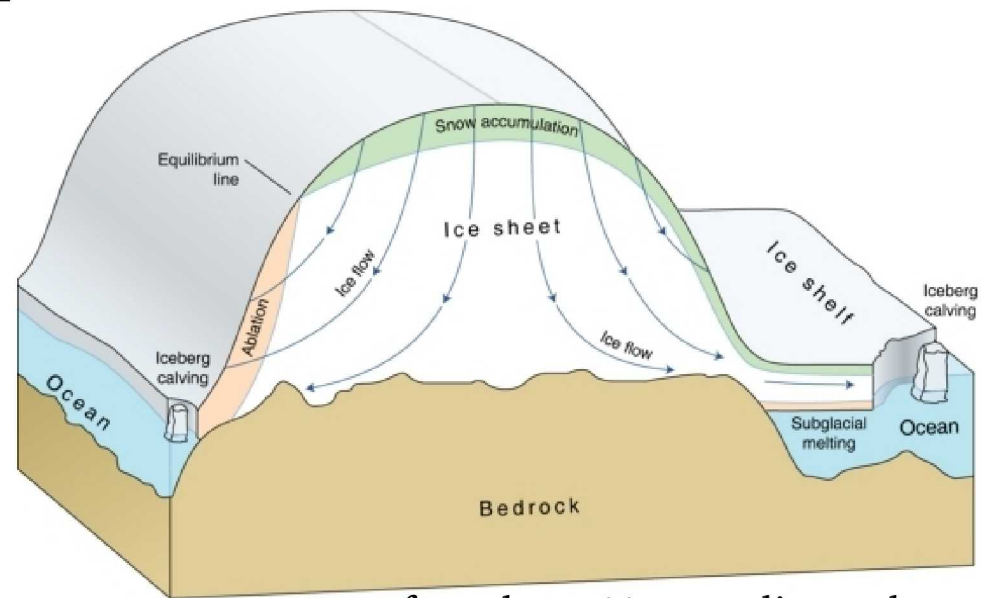
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Brief introduction and motivation

- Modeling ice sheets (Greenland and Antarctica) dynamics is essential to provide estimates for sea level rise* in next decades to centuries.
- Ice behaves like a very viscous shear-thinning fluid (similar to lava flow) and can be modeled with nonlinear Stokes equation.
- Greenland and Antarctica ice sheets store most of the fresh water on earth. They have a shallow geometry (thickness up to 4km, horizontal extensions of thousands of km).



from <http://www.climate.be>

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Problem definition

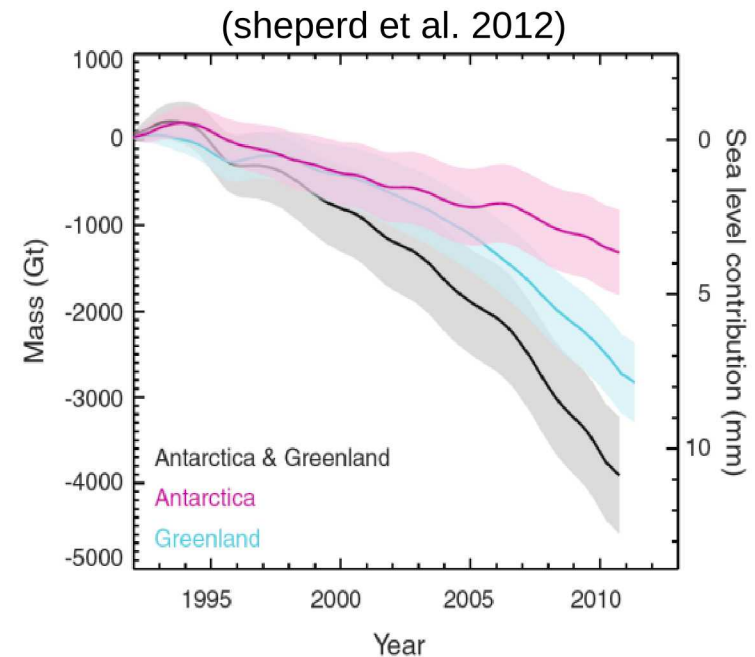
Our Quantity of Interest (QoI) in ice sheet modeling:
total ice mass loss/gain by, e.g., 2100 → **sea level rise prediction**

Main sources of uncertainty:

- climate forcing (e.g. Surface Mass Balance)
 - **basal friction**
- bedrock topography (noisy and sparse data)
 - geothermal heat flux
 - modeling errors
- model parameters (e.g. Glen's Flow Law exponent)

Problem definition

Ultimate goal:
quantify the QoI and related uncertainties



Work flow:

- Perform *adjoint-based deterministic inversion* to estimate initial ice sheet state (i.e. characterize the present state of ice sheet to be used for performing prediction runs).
- *Bayesian inference*: Gaussian posterior low-rank approximation; use deterministic inversion to characterize the parameter distribution (i.e, use the inverted field as mean field of the parameter distribution and approximate its covariance using sensitivities/Hessian).
- *Forward Propagation*

Ice Sheet Modeling

Ice momentum equations

- Ice flow equations (momentum and mass balance)

$$\begin{cases} -\nabla \cdot \sigma = \rho \mathbf{g} \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \end{cases}$$

with:

$$\sigma = 2\mu \mathbf{D} - pI, \quad \mathbf{D}_{ij}(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right)$$

Nonlinear viscosity:

$$\mu = \frac{1}{2} \alpha(T) |\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{u})|^{\frac{1}{n}-1}, \quad n \geq 1, \quad (\text{typically } n \simeq 3)$$

Viscosity is singular when ice is not deforming

Stiffening/Damage factor

$$\mu^*(x, y, z) = \phi(x, y) \mu(x, y, z)$$

ϕ : stiffening factor that accounts for modeling errors in rheology



Stokes approximations in different regimes

Stokes(\mathbf{u}, p)

$$\begin{cases} -\nabla \cdot (2\mu\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{u}) - p\mathbf{I}) = \rho\mathbf{g} \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \end{cases}$$



FO(u, v)

$$-\nabla \cdot (2\mu\tilde{\mathbf{D}} - \rho g(s - z)\mathbf{I}) = \mathbf{0}$$

First Order* or
Blatter-Pattyn model

*Dukowicz, Price and Lipscomb, 2010. *J. Glaciol.*

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scaling argument
based on the fact that
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3rd momentum equation

$$-\cancel{\partial_x(\mu u_z)} - \cancel{\partial_y(\mu v_z)} - \partial_z(2\mu w_z - p) = -\rho g,$$

continuity equation

$$w_z = -(u_x + v_y)$$

$$\implies p = \rho g(s - z) - 2\mu(u_x + v_y)$$

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Quasi-hydrostatic approximation

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First Order* or Blatter-Pattyn model

$$\text{with } \tilde{\mathbf{D}}(u, v) = \begin{bmatrix} 2u_x + v_y & \frac{1}{2}(u_y + v_x) & \frac{1}{2}u_z \\ \frac{1}{2}(u_y + v_x) & u_x + 2v_y & \frac{1}{2}v_z \end{bmatrix}$$

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Deterministic Inversion

GOAL

Find ice sheet initial state that

- matches observations (e.g. surface velocity, temperature, etc.)
- is in compliance with flow model and climate forcing

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Deterministic Inversion

Problem details

Available data/measurements

- *ice extension and surface topography*
- *surface velocity*
- *surface air temperature*
- ...

Fields to be estimated

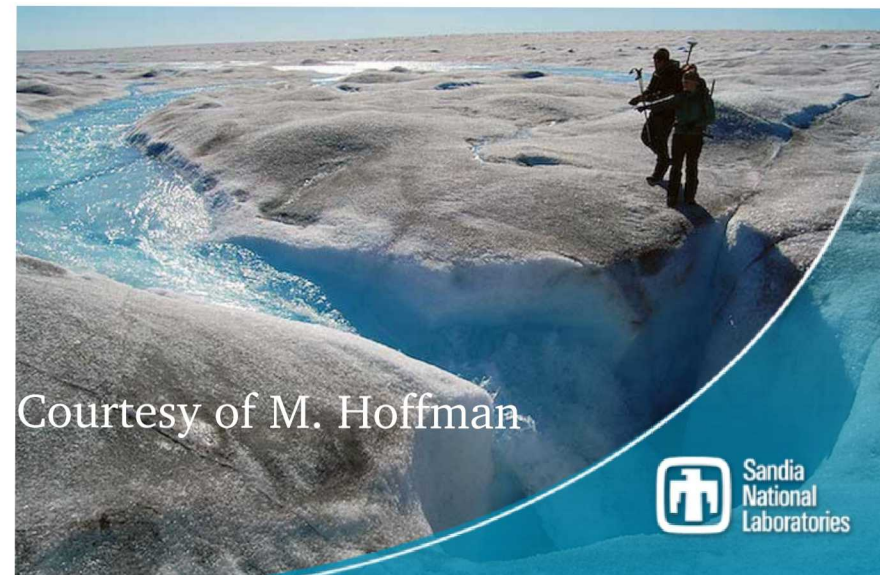
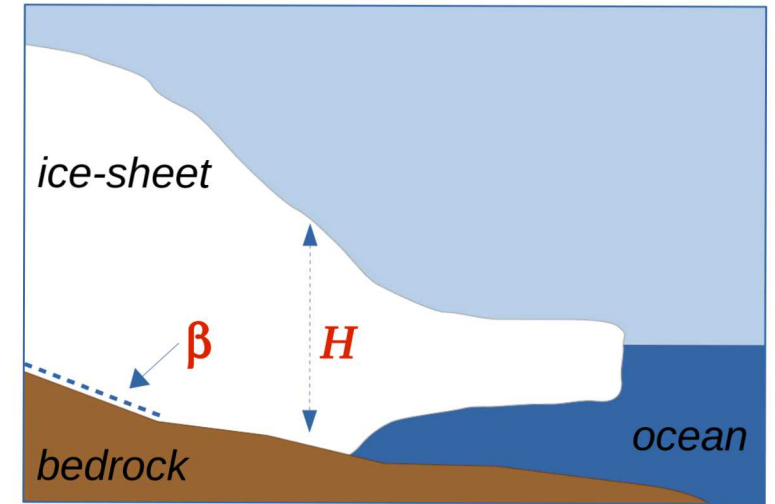
- *basal friction β (spatially variable proxy for all basal processes)*
- *ice stiffening (accounts for modeling error in rheology or imperfections in ice)*

Modeling Assumptions

- *ice flow described by **nonlinear Stokes equation***
- *ice close to **mechanical equilibrium***

Additional Assumption (for now)

- *given **temperature field***



Deterministic Inversion

PDE-constrained optimization problem: cost functional

Problem: find initial conditions such that the ice matches available observations.

Optimization problem:

find β and H that minimize the functional* \mathcal{J}

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{J}(\beta, \phi) &= \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{\sigma_u^2} |\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}^{obs}|^2 ds && \text{surface velocity} \\ & && \text{mismatch} \\ &+ \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{\sigma_{\phi}^2} |\phi - 1|^2 ds && \text{stiffening factor} \\ & && \text{mismatch} \\ &+ \mathcal{R}(\beta, \phi) && \text{regularization terms.} \end{aligned}$$

subject to ice sheet model equations
(FO or Stokes)

\mathbf{U} : computed depth averaged velocity
 ϕ : stiffening factor
 β : basal sliding friction coefficient
 $\mathcal{R}(\beta, \phi)$ regularization term

Inverse Problem

Estimation of ice-sheet initial state

PDE-constraint optimization problem: gradient computation

Find (β, H) that minimize $\mathcal{J}(\beta, H, \mathbf{u})$
subject to $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{u}, \beta, H) = 0 \leftarrow$ flow model

How to compute **total derivatives** of the functional w.r.t. the parameters?

Solve State System

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{u}, \beta, H) = 0$$

Solve Adjoint System

$$\langle \mathcal{F}_{\mathbf{u}}^*(\boldsymbol{\lambda}), \boldsymbol{\delta}_{\mathbf{u}} \rangle = \mathcal{J}_{\mathbf{u}}(\boldsymbol{\delta}), \quad \forall \boldsymbol{\delta}_{\mathbf{u}}$$

Total derivatives

$$\mathcal{G}(\delta_{\beta}, \delta_H) = \mathcal{J}_{(\beta, H)}(\delta_{\beta}, \delta_H) - \langle \boldsymbol{\lambda}, \mathcal{F}_{(\beta, H)}(\delta_{\beta}, \delta_H) \rangle$$

Derivative w.r.t. β

$$\mathcal{G}_1(\delta_{\beta}) = \alpha_{\beta} \int_{\Omega} \nabla \beta \cdot \nabla \delta_{\beta} ds - \int_{\Omega} \delta_{\beta} \mathbf{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{\lambda} ds$$

Estimation of ice sheet initial state

Algorithm and Software from MPAS-Albany Landice model (MALI)

ALGORITHM	SOFTWARE TOOLS
Linear Finite Elements on test/hexas	Albany
Quasi-Newton optimization (L-BFGS)	ROL
Nonlinear solver (Newton method)	NOX
Krylov linear solvers/Prec	AztecOO/ML
Uncertainty Quantification	Dakota



Albany: C++ finite element library built on Trilinos to enable multiple capabilities:

- Jacobian/adjoints assembled using automatic differentiation (SACADO).
- nonlinear and parameter continuation solvers (NOX/LOCA)
- large scale PDE constrained optimization (Piro/ROL)
- Uncertainty Quantification (using Dakota)
- linear solver and preconditioners (Belos/AztecOO, ML/MeuLu/Ifpack)



Optimization algorithm:

Reduce Gradient optimization, using L-BFGS.

Storage: 200, Linesearch: backtrack



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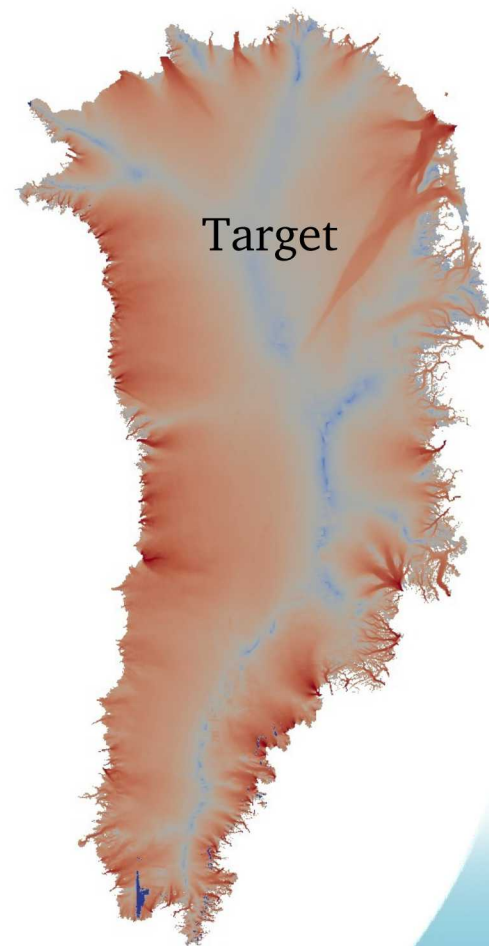
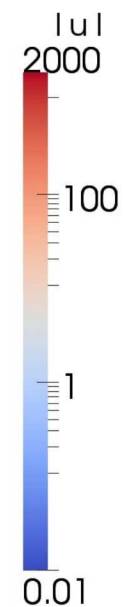
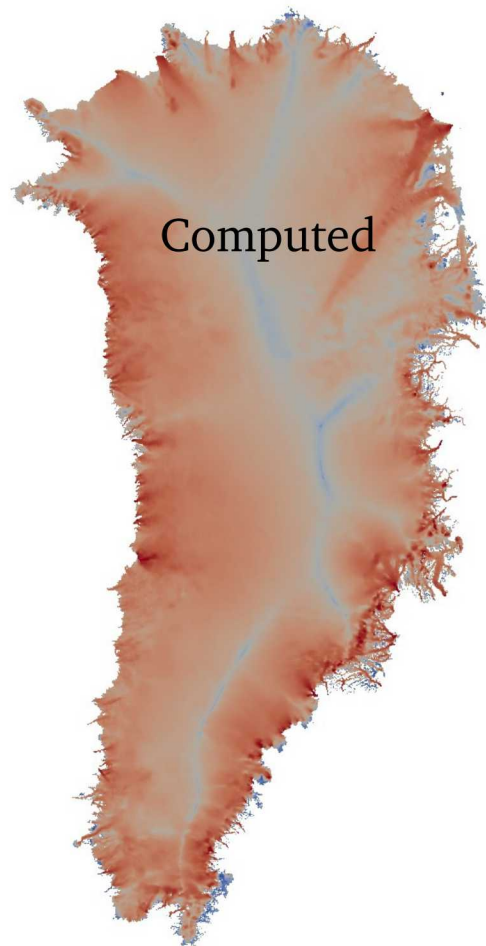
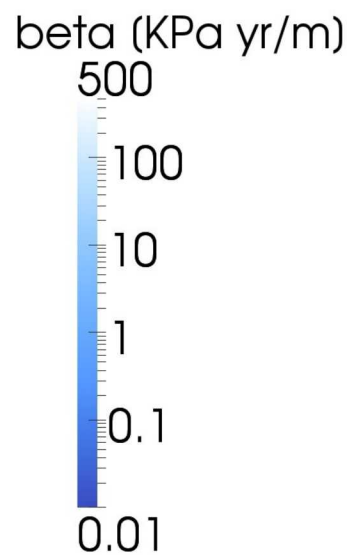
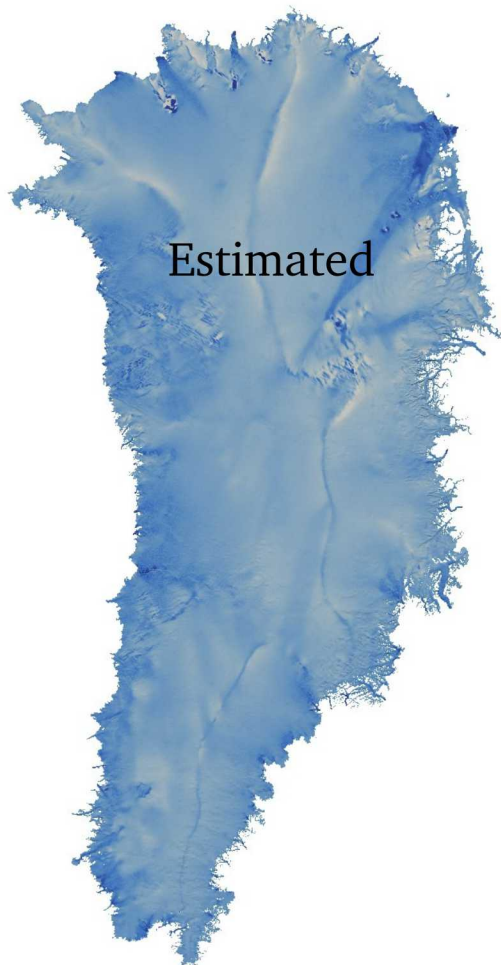
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Greenland Inversion

velocity mismatch only, tuning basal friction

Inversion with 1.6M parameters

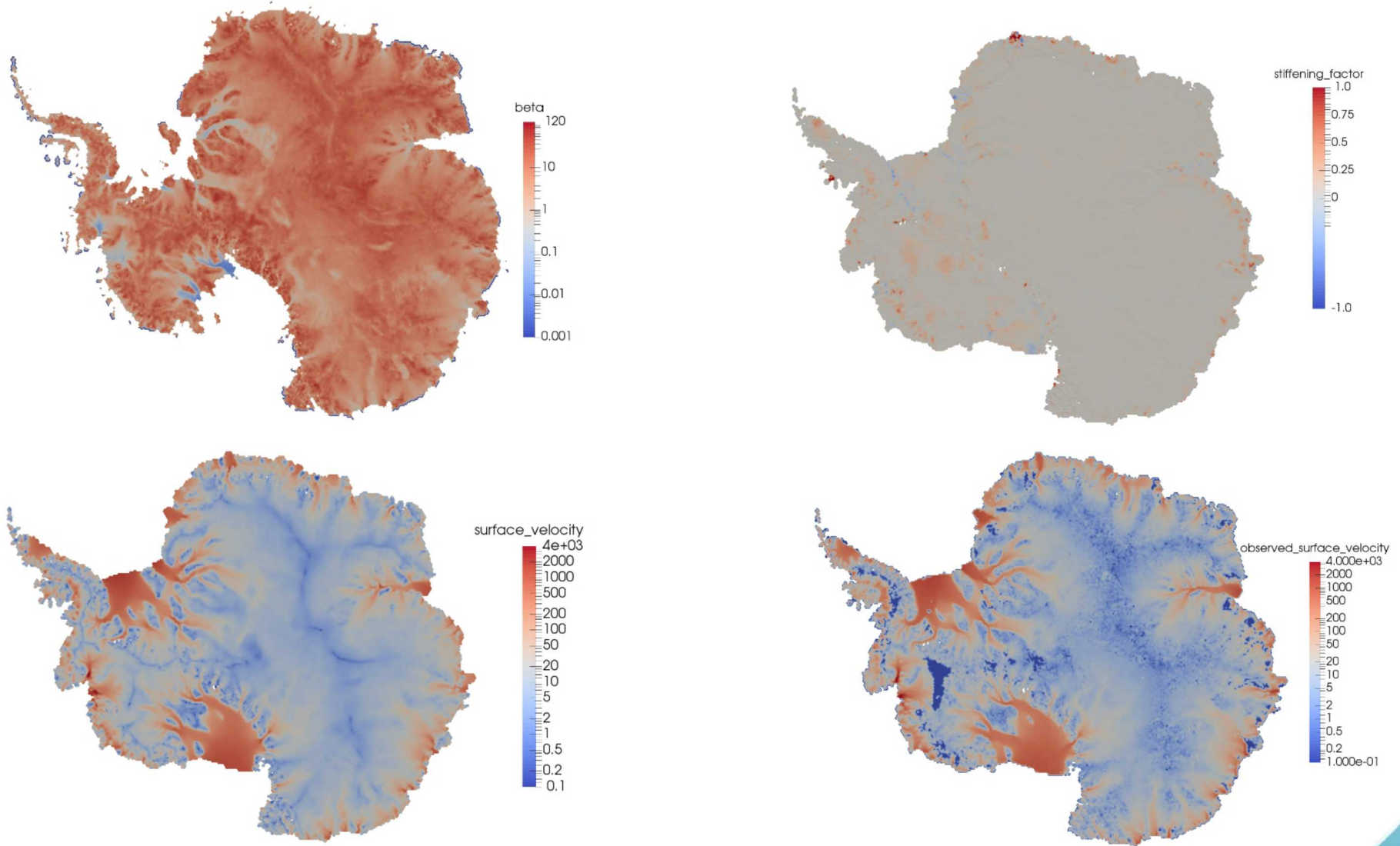


Basal friction coefficient (kPa yr/m)

surface velocity magnitude (m/yr)

Antarctica Inversion

velocity and stiffening mismatches, tuning basal friction and stiffening



Top left: estimated basal friction coefficient [kPa yr/m],
Top right: estimated softness parameter [adim],
Bottom left: computed surface velocity magnitude [m/yr],
Bottom right: observed surface velocity magnitude [m/yr]

Bayesian Inference

Bayes:

$$\pi_{\text{post}}(x|d) = \frac{\pi_{\text{like}}(d|x) \pi_{\text{prior}}(x)}{\pi(d)} \propto \pi_{\text{like}}(d|x) \pi_{\text{prior}}(x)$$

Relation model/data:

$$d = \mathcal{M}(x) + \eta, \quad \eta \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma_{\text{noise}})$$

↙ parameter-to-observation map

Likelihood p.d.f

$$\pi_{\text{like}}(d|x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^k |\Sigma_{\text{noise}}|} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{M}(x) - d)^T \Sigma_{\text{noise}}^{-1} (\mathcal{M}(x) - d)\right)$$

Prior p.d.f

$$\pi_{\text{prior}}(x) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - x_{\text{prior}})^T \Sigma_{\text{prior}}^{-1} (x - x_{\text{prior}})\right)$$

Posterior p.d.f:

$$\pi_{\text{post}}(x|d) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{M}(x) - d)^T \Sigma_{\text{noise}}^{-1} (\mathcal{M}(x) - d) - \frac{1}{2}(x - x_{\text{prior}})^T \Sigma_{\text{prior}}^{-1} (x - x_{\text{prior}})\right)$$

Bayesian Inference

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$\mathcal{M}(x)$ is nonlinear, so posterior is not Gaussian

Computing the posterior is unfeasible for the **high dimensionality of the parameter space** and because the **forward model is very expensive**

Gaussian approximation*: we perform a quadratic approximation, at the mean of the parameter x , of the negative log of the posterior p.d.f

The mean of the distribution, or maximum a posterior point (MAP) is given by

$$x_{\text{MAP}} = \arg \min_x \left(\underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{M}(x) - d)^T \Sigma_{\text{noise}}^{-1} (\mathcal{M}(x) - d)}_{\text{misfit}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(x - x_{\text{prior}})^T \Sigma_{\text{prior}}^{-1} (x - x_{\text{prior}})}_{\text{regularization}} \right)$$

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Bayesian Inference

regularization* (prior)

$$\mathcal{R}(\beta) = \frac{\alpha}{2} \int_{\Omega} (-\gamma \Delta \beta + \delta \beta)^2, \quad \mu \beta + \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial \mathbf{n}} = 0$$

Laplacian squared regularization with Robin boundary conditions

$$\mathcal{R}(\beta) = \frac{\alpha}{2} \int_{\Omega} s^2 \quad \longleftarrow \quad \int_{\Omega} s \varphi = \int_{\Omega} (\gamma \nabla \beta \cdot \nabla \varphi + \delta \beta \varphi) + \int_{\partial \Omega} \alpha \beta \varphi \quad L^2 \text{ projection}$$

$$M_{ij} = \int_{\Omega} \varphi_i \varphi_j \quad K_{ij} = \int_{\Omega} (\gamma \nabla \varphi_i \cdot \nabla \varphi_j + \delta \varphi_i \varphi_j) + \int_{\partial \Omega} \mu \varphi_i \varphi_j$$

$$\Sigma_{\text{prior}} := K^{-1} M K^{-1} = L L^T, \quad L := K^{-1} M^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

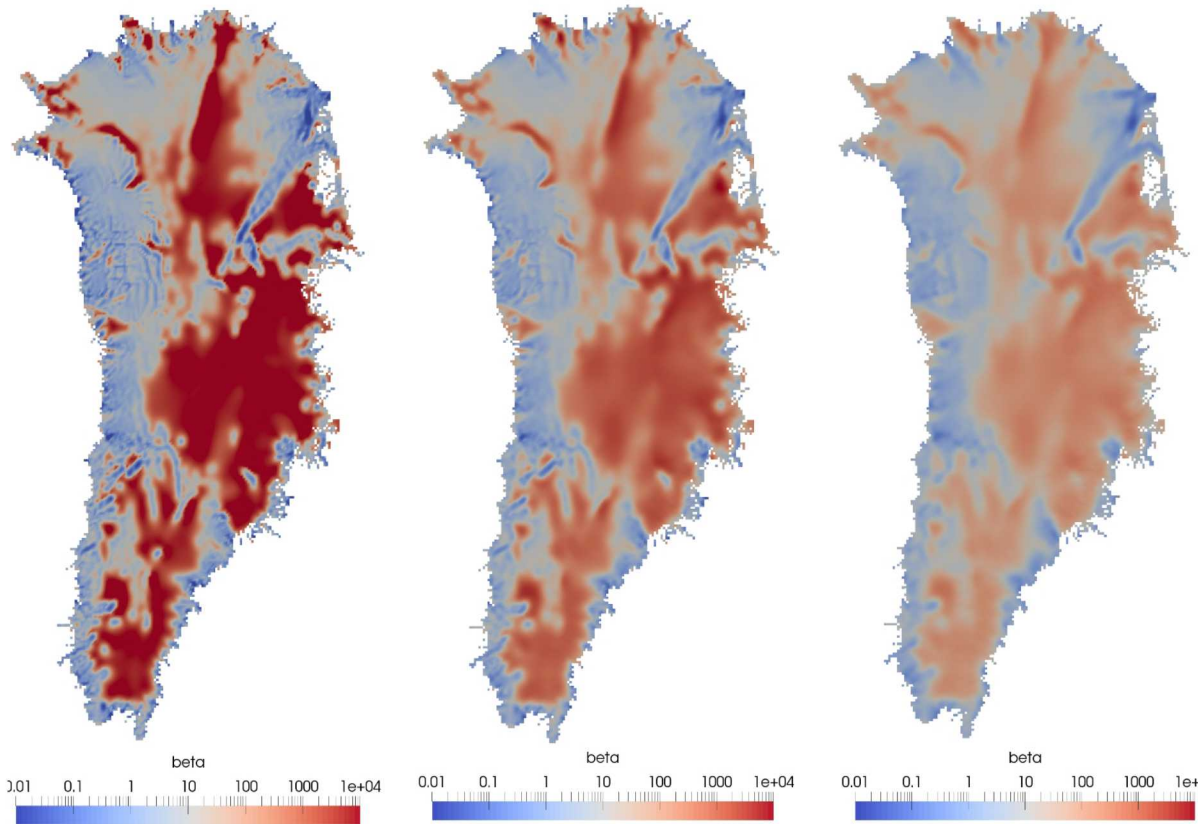
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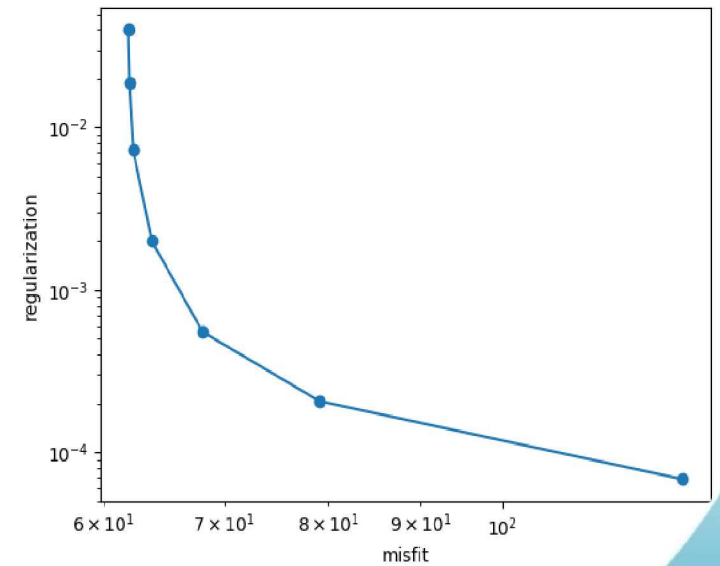
regularization, deterministic inversion

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Laplacian squared regularization with Robin boundary conditions



L-curve



Basal friction coefficient (MAP) [kPa yr /m]
for increasing (from left to right) regularization

Bayesian Inference

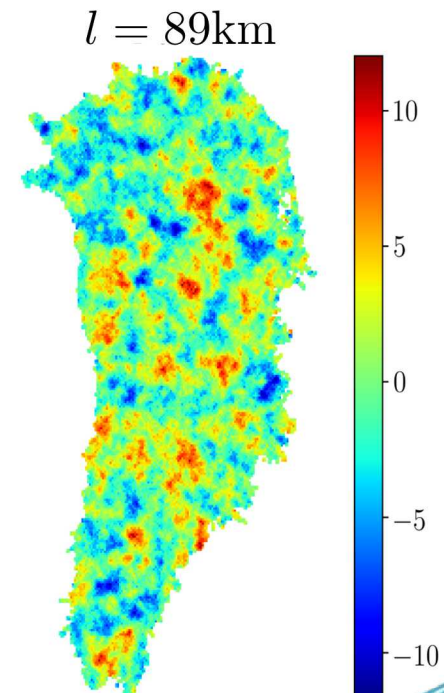
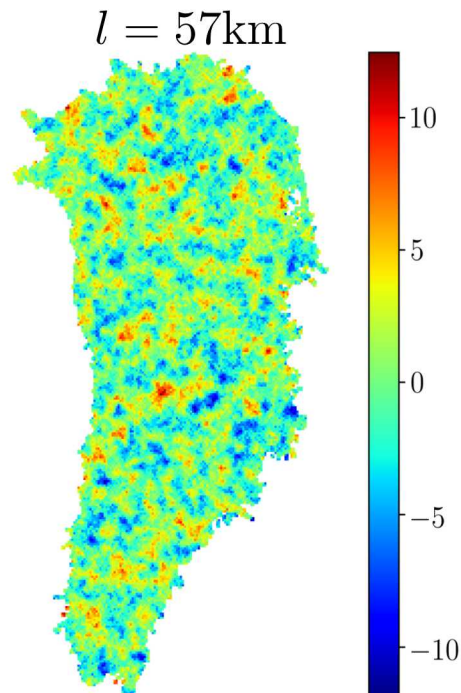
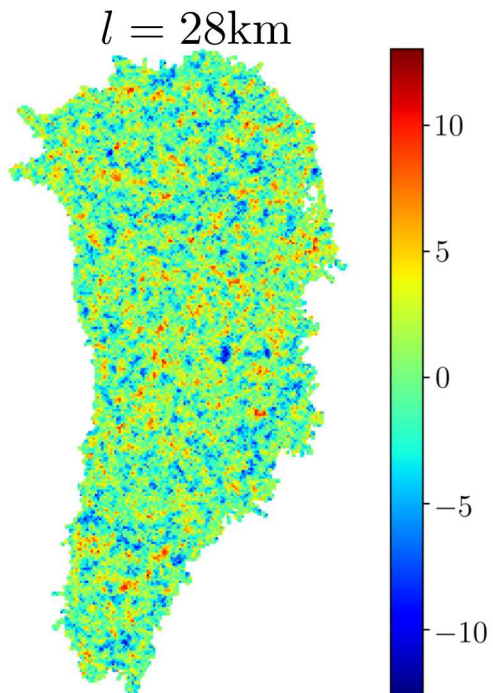
regularization, correlation length

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Laplacian squared regularization with Robin boundary conditions

Correlation length $l \propto \sqrt{\frac{\gamma}{\delta}}$

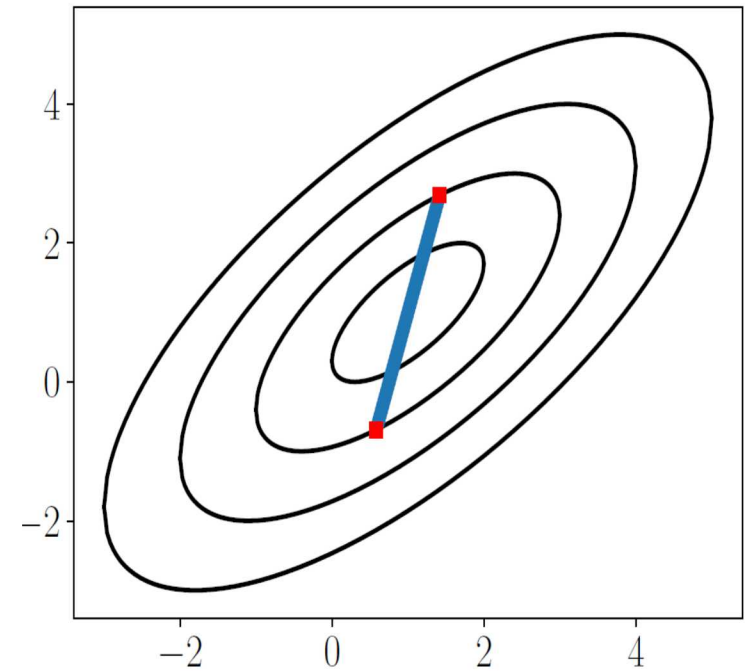
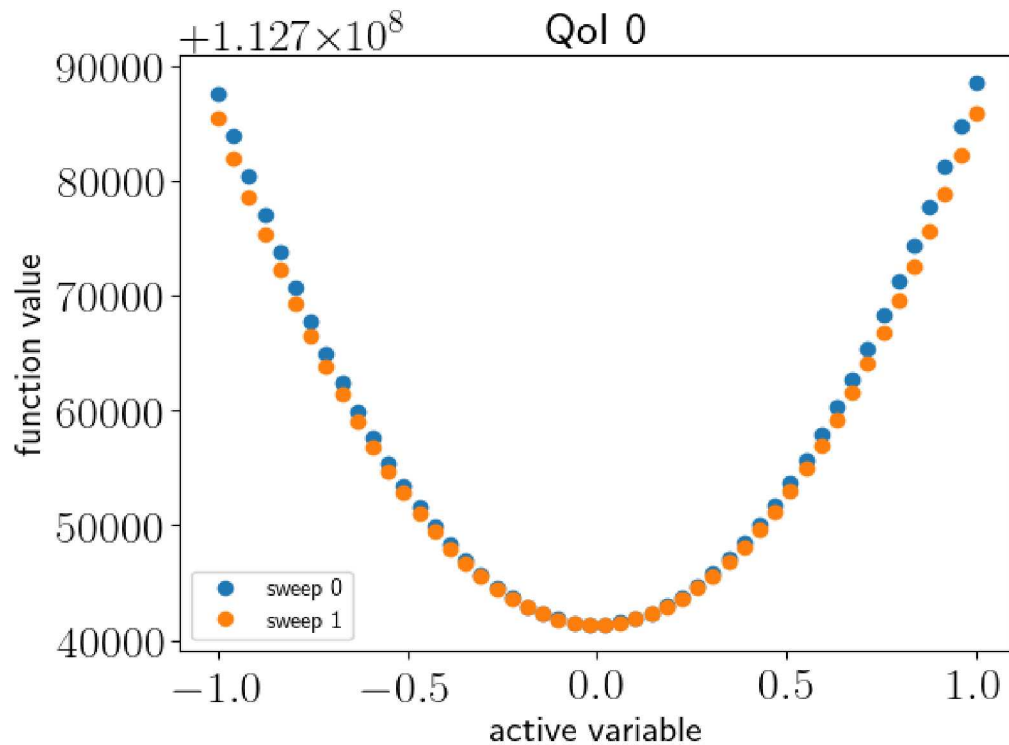
$$\Sigma_{\text{prior}} = LL^T$$
$$\beta = \beta_0 + Ln, \quad n \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$



Bayesian Inference

misfit functional

Checking smoothness of misfit functional.
Evaluations along two orthogonal random directions



Bayesian Inference

model reduction*

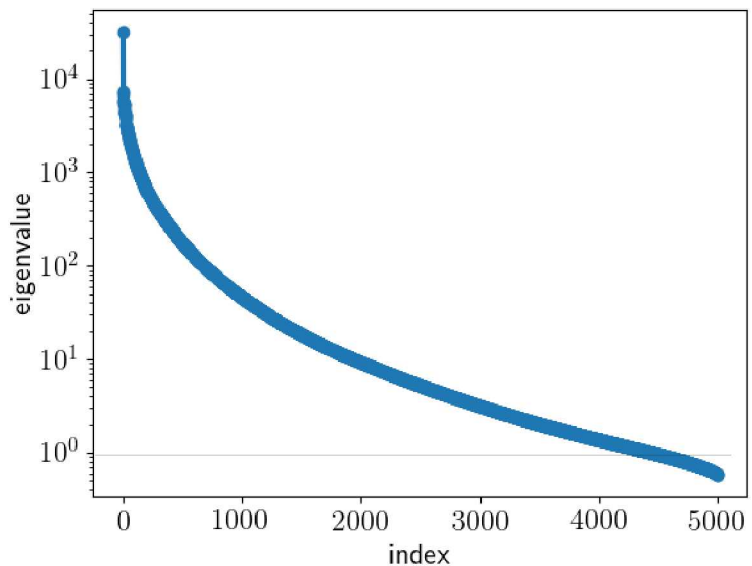
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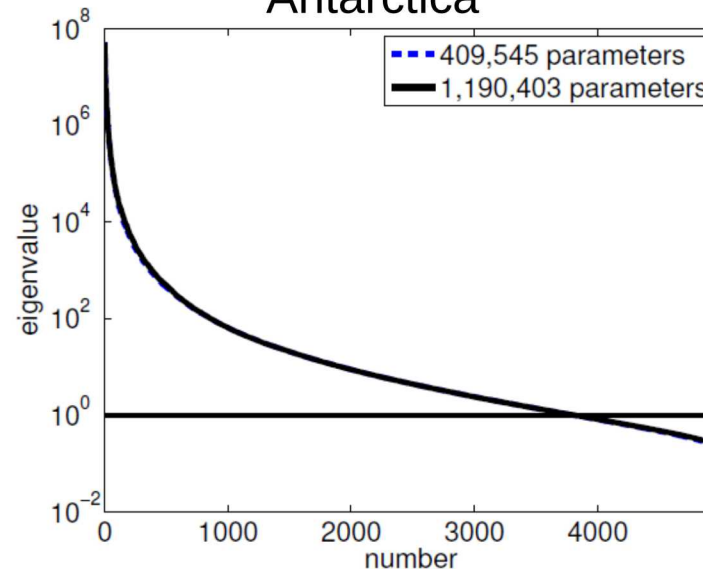
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Greenland



Antarctica*



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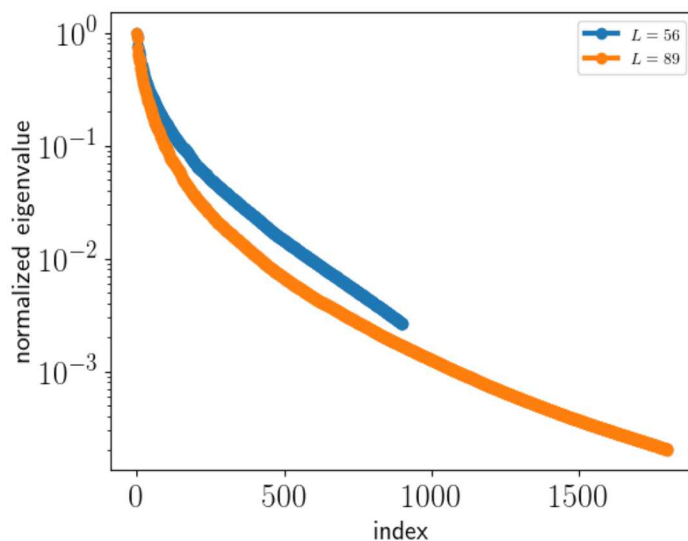
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Greenland



Eigenvalue decay,
dependence on correlation length

Bayesian Inference

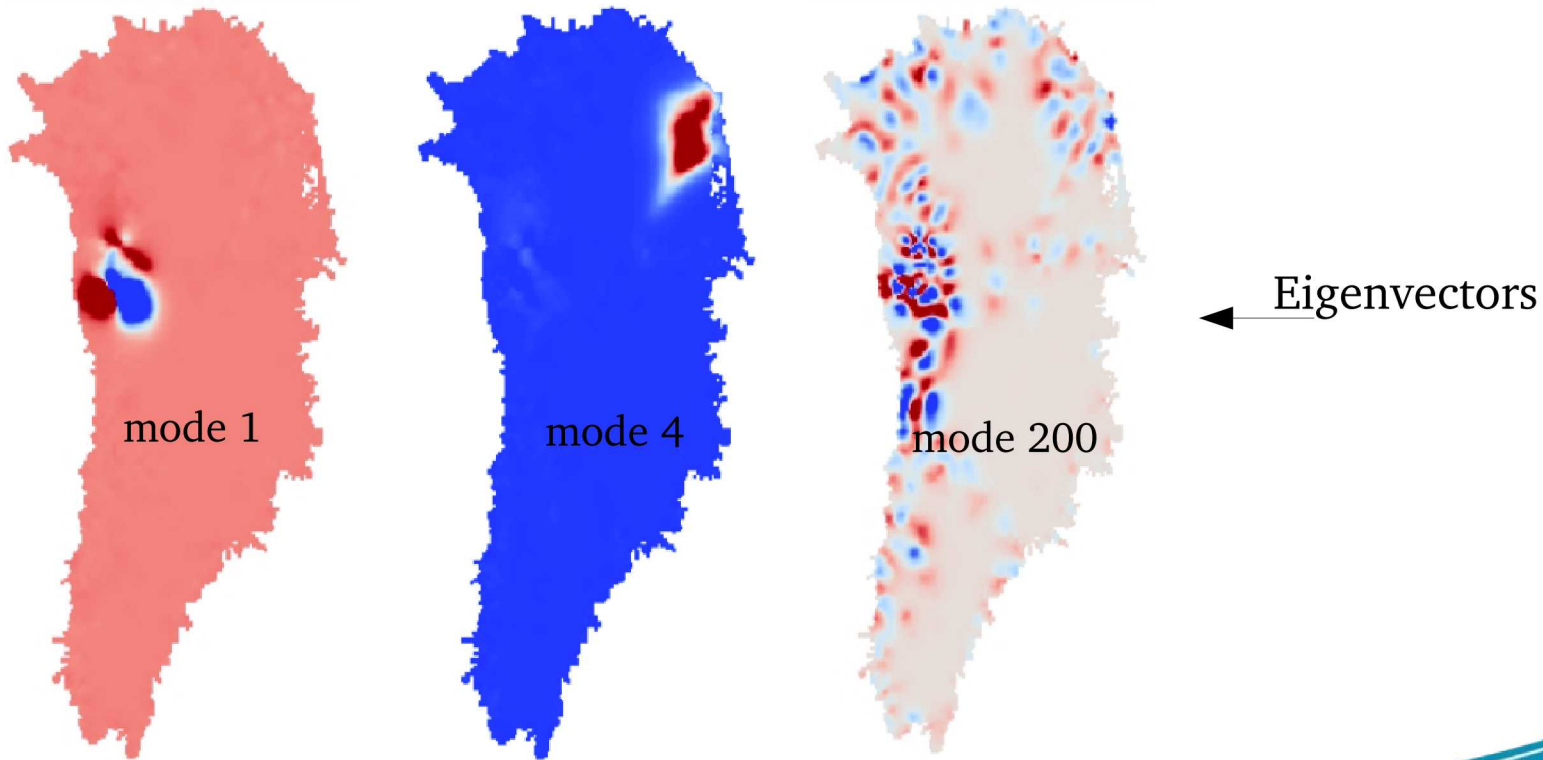
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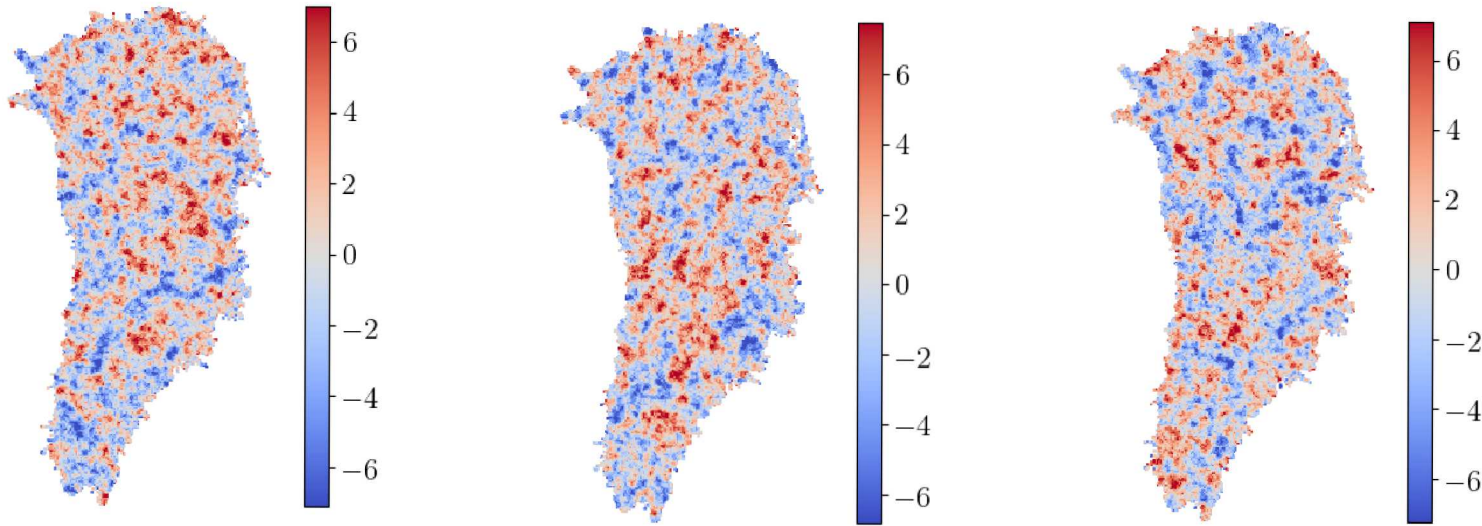
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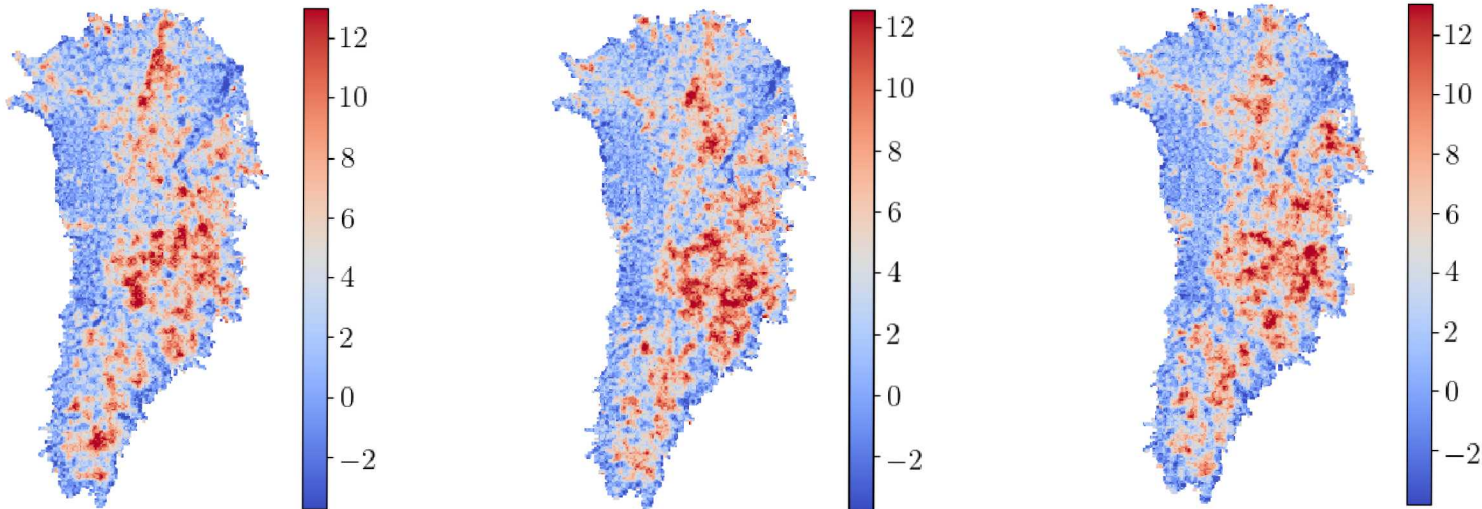


Bayesian Inference

prior/posterior sampling



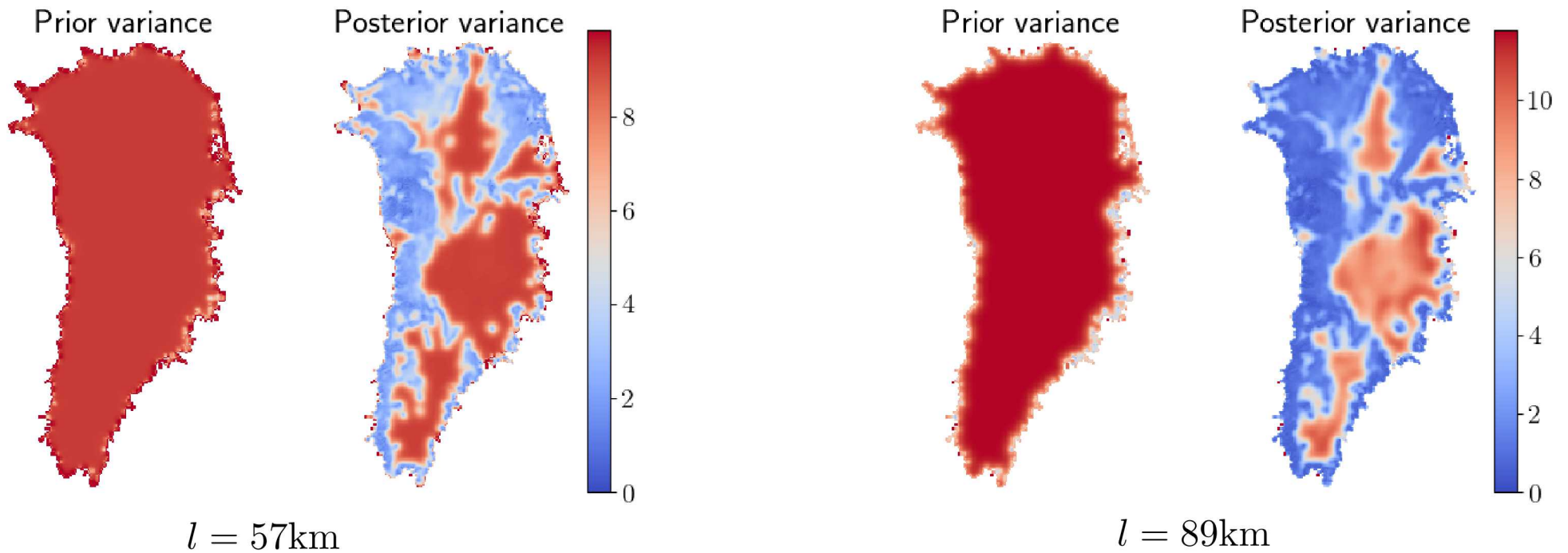
Samples from
prior distribution



samples from
posterior distribution

Bayesian Inference

prior/posterior point-wise variance



The use of data has drastically reduced the variance.
Higher correlation length reduces variance

Conclusion

Presented a framework for Bayesian inference based on a Gaussian approximation of the posterior, applied to Greenland ice sheet problem

Posterior distribution can be efficiently sampled using a low-rank approximation of the covariance matrix, although the effective rank of the covariance matrix is high $O(1000)$

TODO: Check whether the Gaussian approximation of the posterior is a good one

TODO: Consider high resolution grids and investigate how the effective rank depends on the mesh resolution

Next Step: Forward Propagation

Thanks!