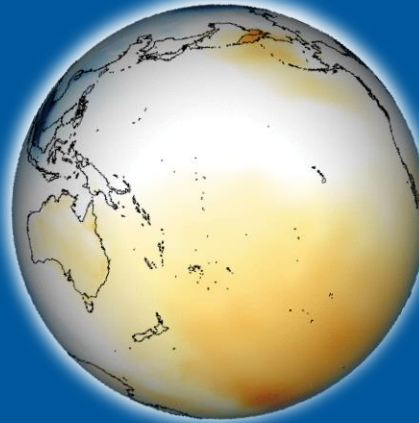


Predicting Non-Tidal Loading Contributions Induced by Environmental Loading



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Reference Frames for Applications in Geosciences, Usage & Challenges of Reference Frames for Earth Science Applications

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Setting the Stage

• Motivation

- Mitigate **aliasing** in reference frames
- **Validate** NWM-derived mass anomalies

• In this presentation

- Comparison of *modelled* and *observed* station displacements
- Signal decomposition employing **wavelets**

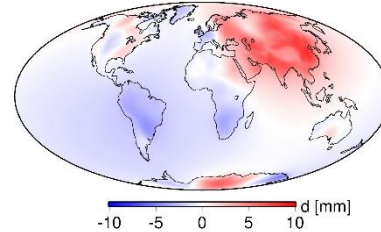
• Tools and Materials

- **GFZ's loading models** (ECMWF's IFS, MPIOM, LSDM)
- Individual GNSS AC contributions to ITRF2020 (**IGS repro 3**)

Environmental Loading Displacement Models

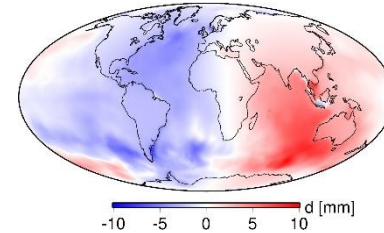
- **Atmosphere (3h)**

- De-tided ECMWF's IFS



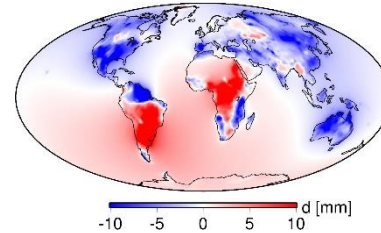
- **Oceans (3h)**

- De-tided MPIOM forced from ECMWF's IFS



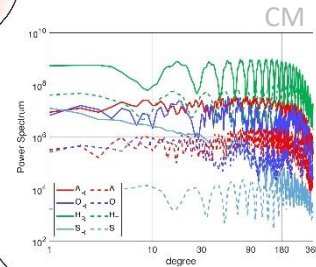
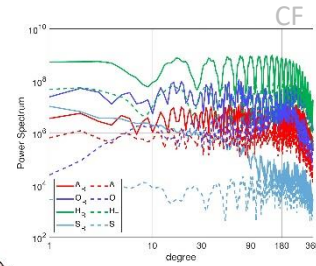
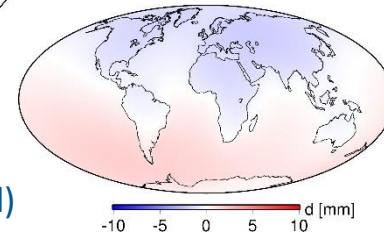
- **Hydrosphere (24h)**

- LSDM forced from ECMWF's IFS



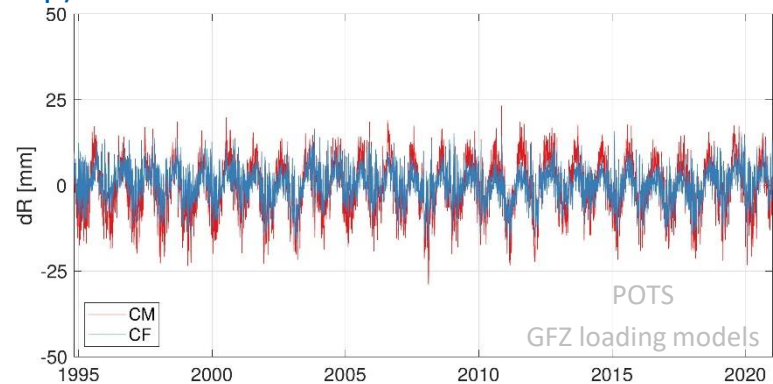
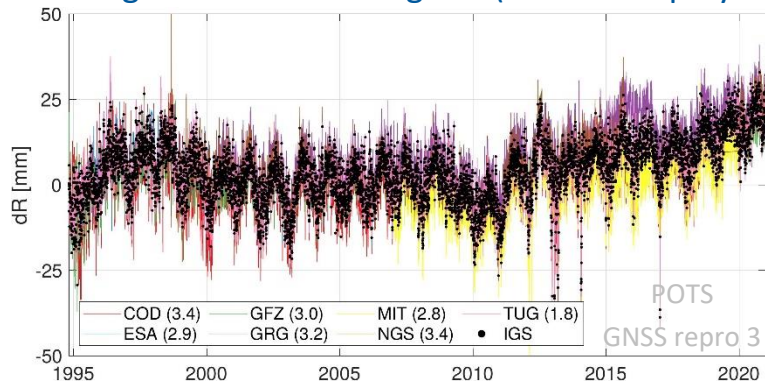
- **Barystatic sea-level (24h)**

- Solution to sea-level equation (self-attraction and loading included)

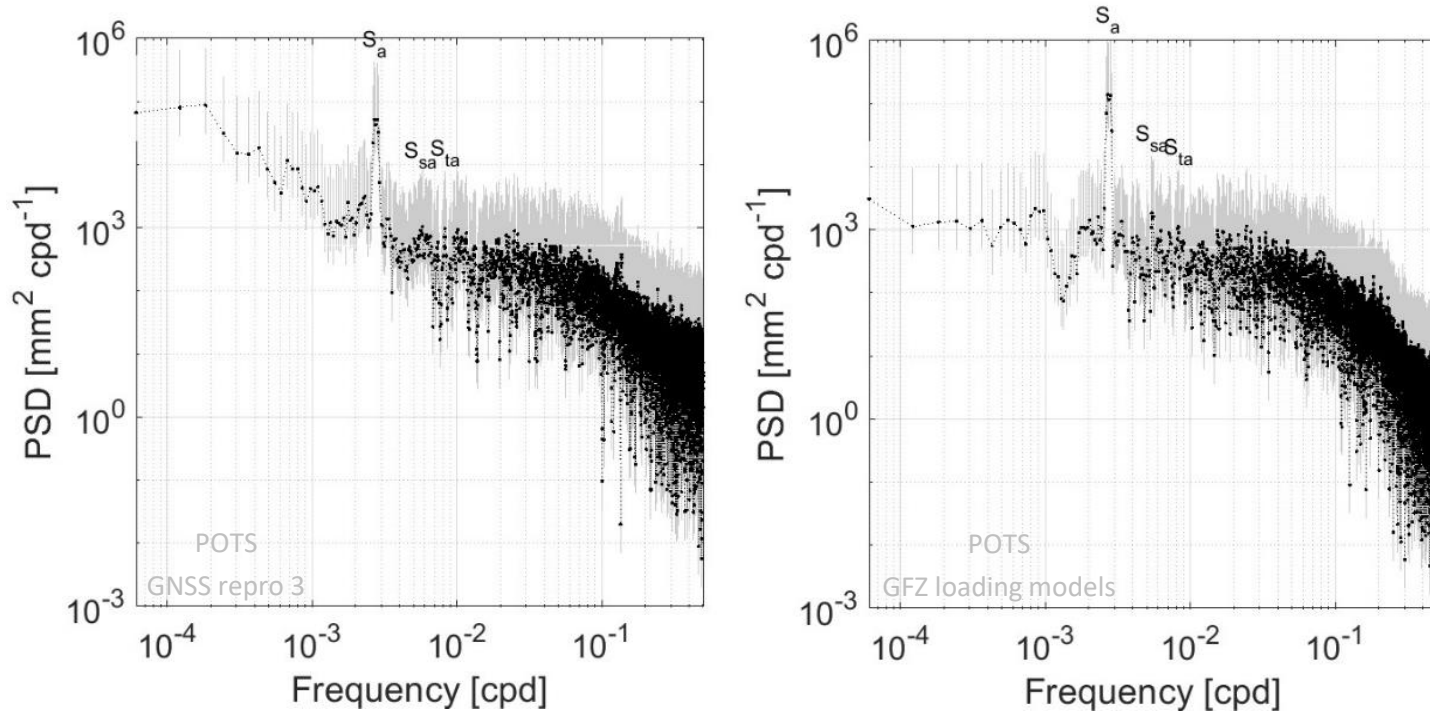


GNSS Displacements from IGS REPRO 3

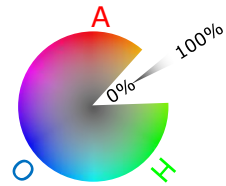
- Contributions: COD, ESA, GFZ, GRG, JPL, MIT, NGS, TUG, ULR, WHU, and IGS
- Pre-processing
 - Outlier elimination
 - Time series segmentation
 - Mitigation of secular signals (first-order poly + log + exp)



Frequency Domain Displacement Analysis

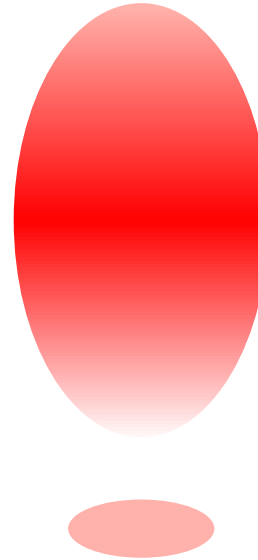


Wavelet Decomposition



| Decomposition Level | Periods |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| D1 | 2 days - 5 days |
| D2 | 3 days - 10 days |
| D3 | 6 days - 18 days |
| D4 | 12 days - 37 days |
| D5 | 24 days - 3 months |
| D6 | 2 months - 5 months |
| D7 | 4 months - 9 months |
| D8 | 7 months - 1.4 years |
| A8 | 1.1 years - ∞ |

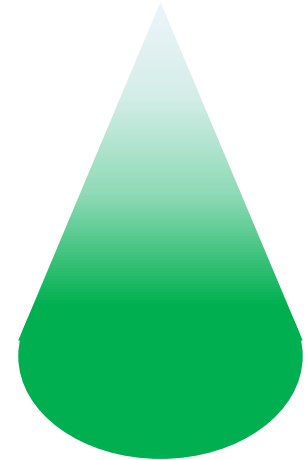
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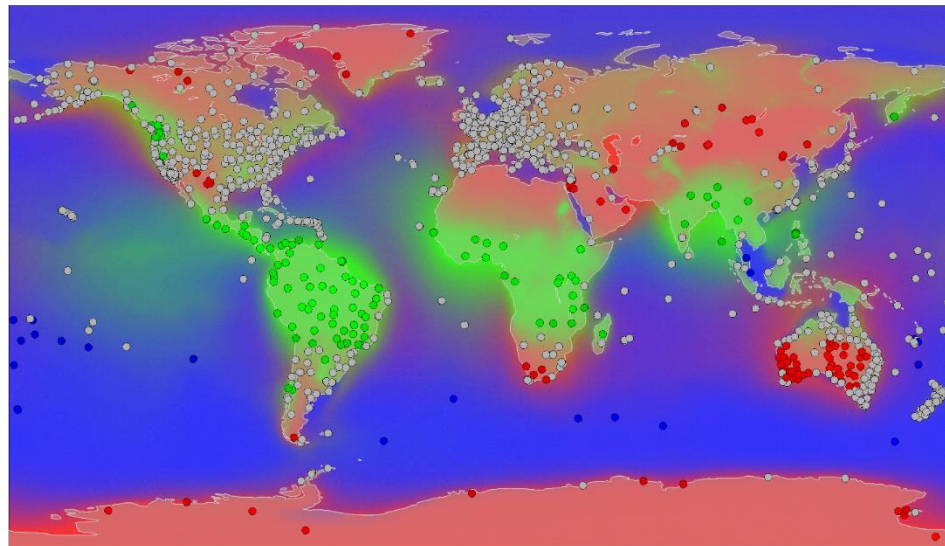
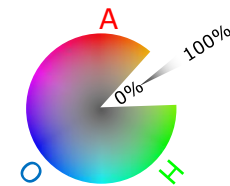
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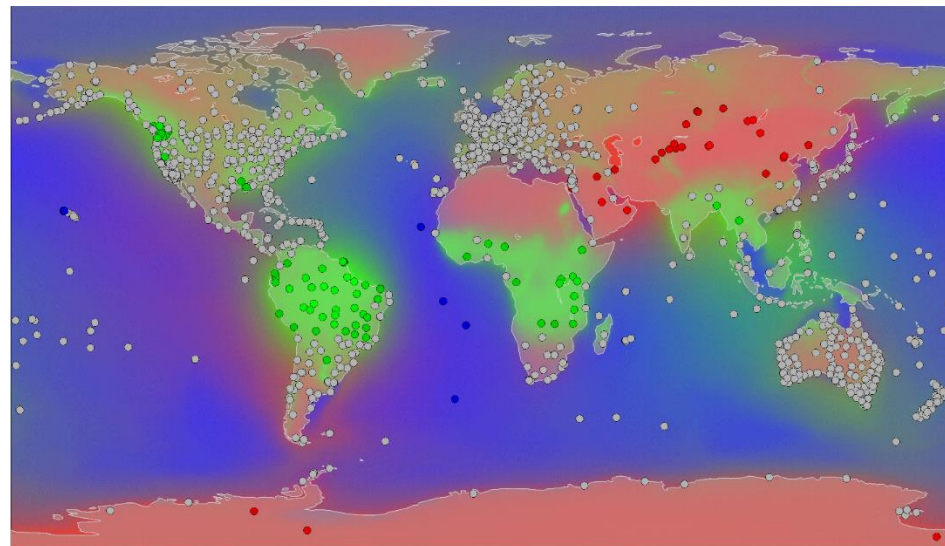
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Entire Spectrum

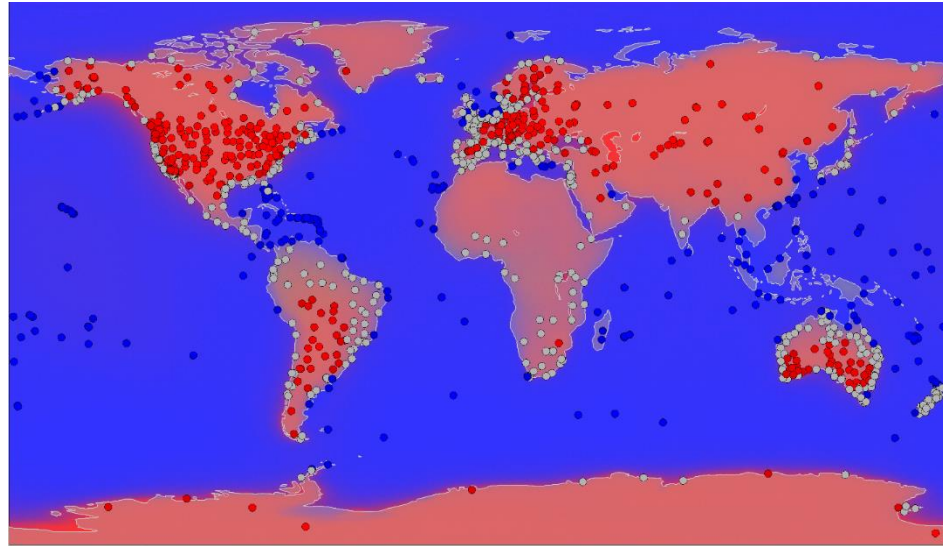
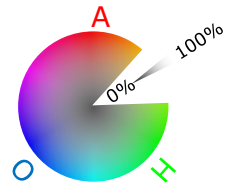


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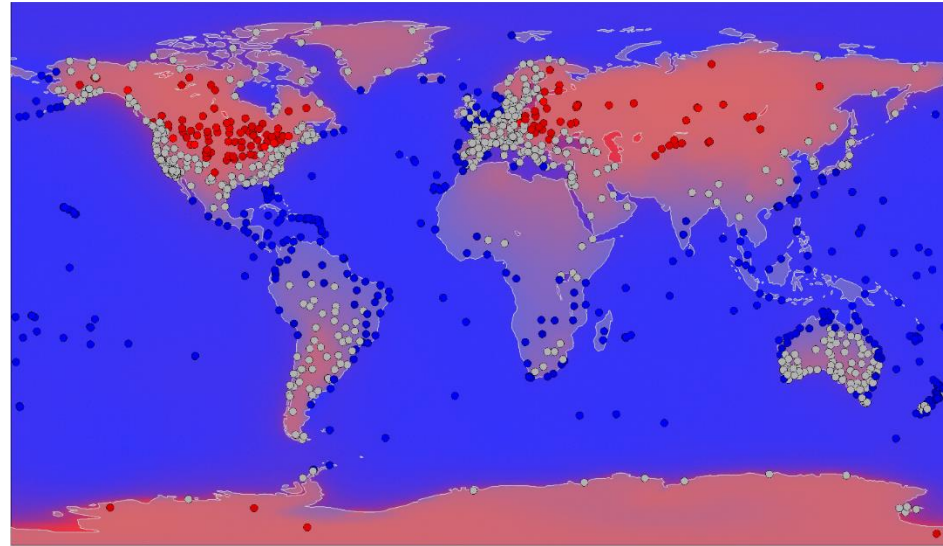


Center of Mass of the Earth System (CM)

D1: 2 days – 5 days



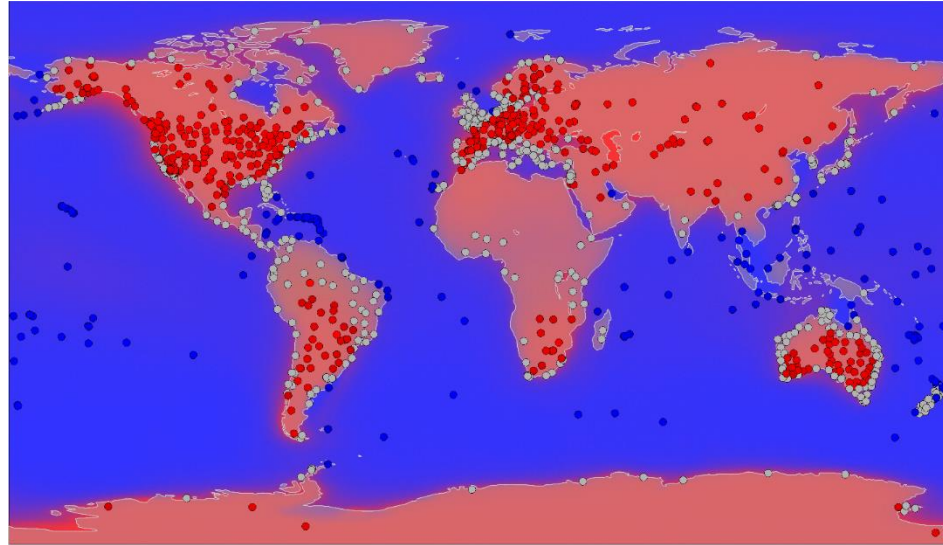
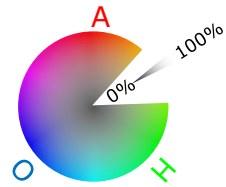
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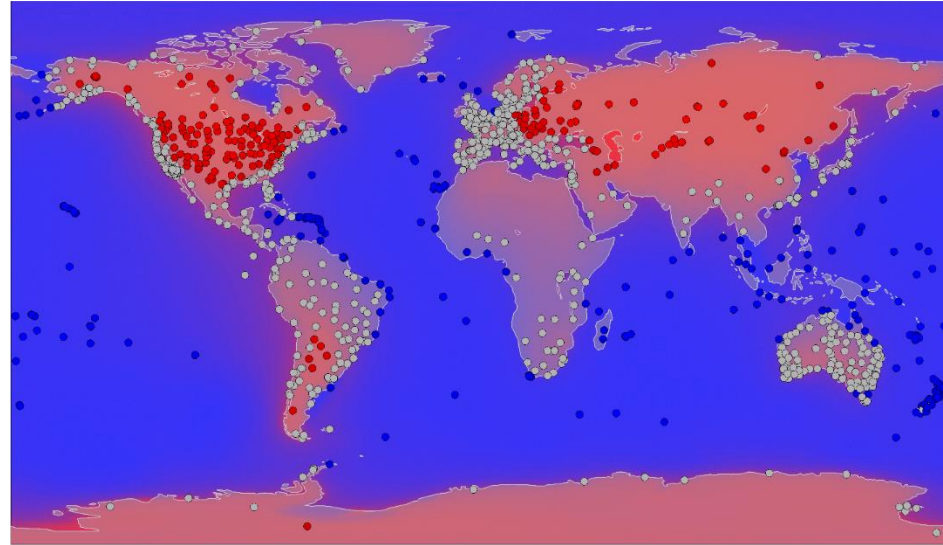
Center of Mass of the Earth System (CM)

- A: variability far from the coast; O: variability in islands

D2: 3 days – 10 days



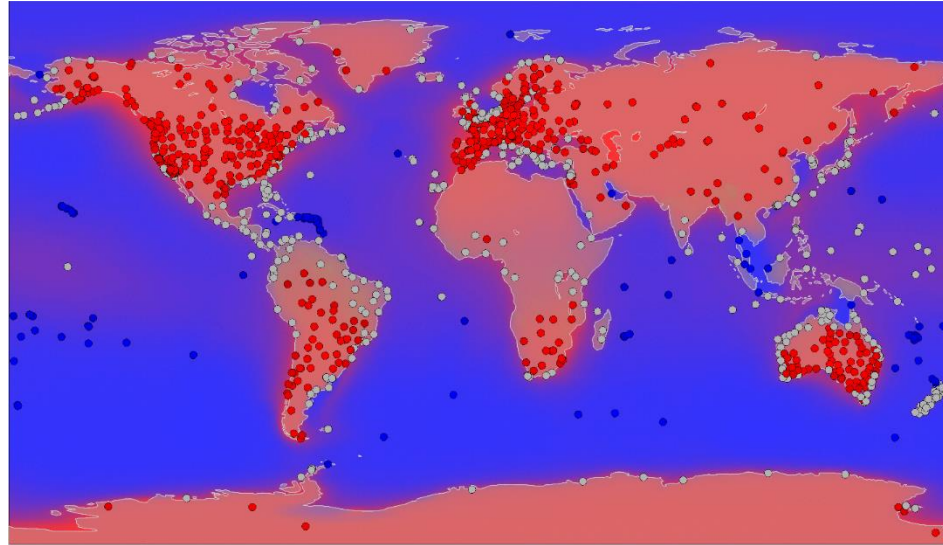
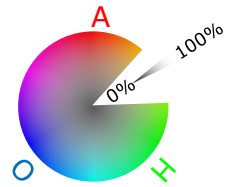
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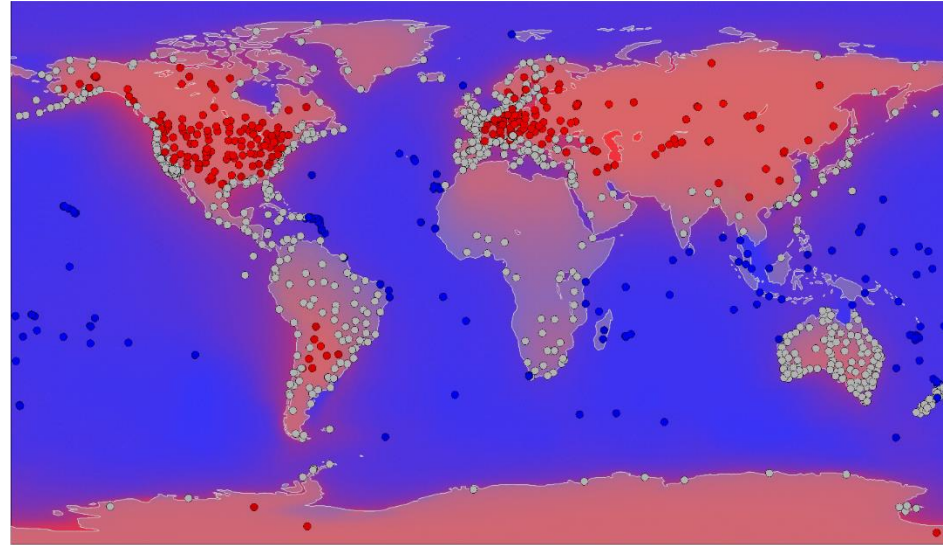
Center of Mass of the Earth System (CM)

- A: variability far from the coast; O: variability in islands and coastlines

D3: 6 days – 18 days



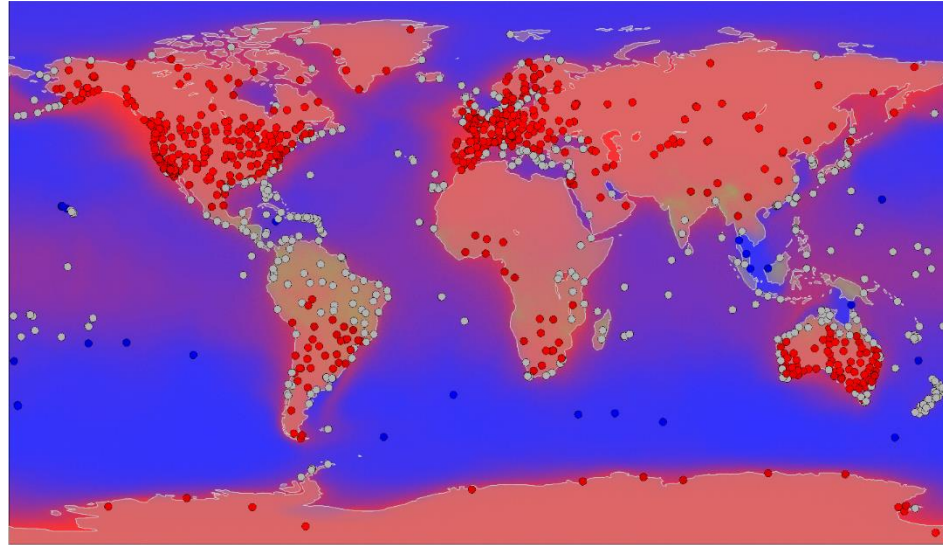
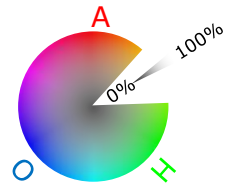
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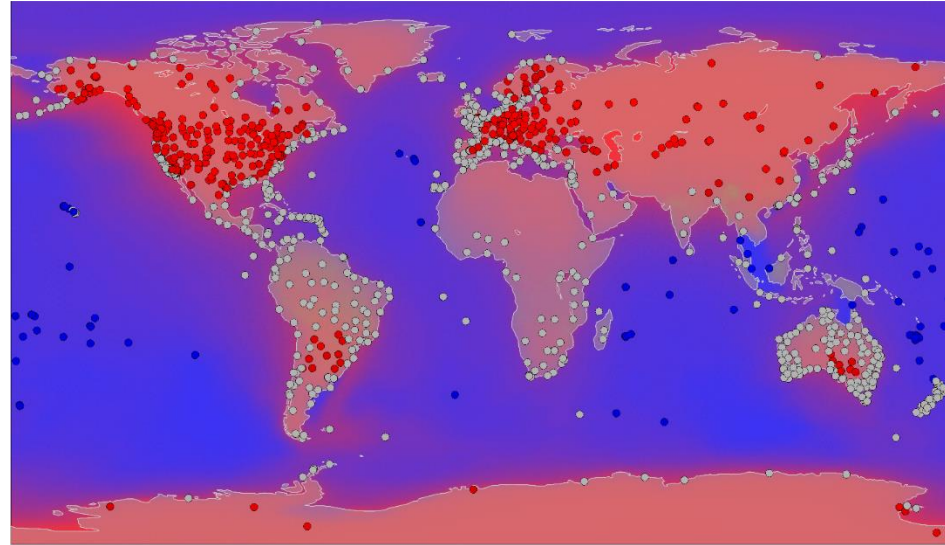
Center of Mass of the Earth System (CM)

- A: variability explained increases for more sites & larger percentage

D4: 12 days – 37 days



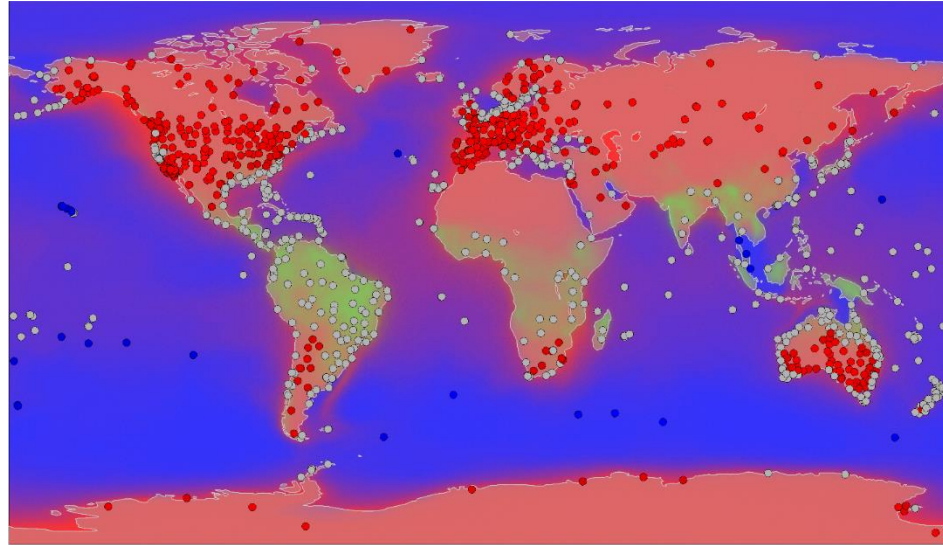
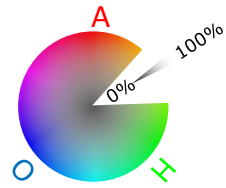
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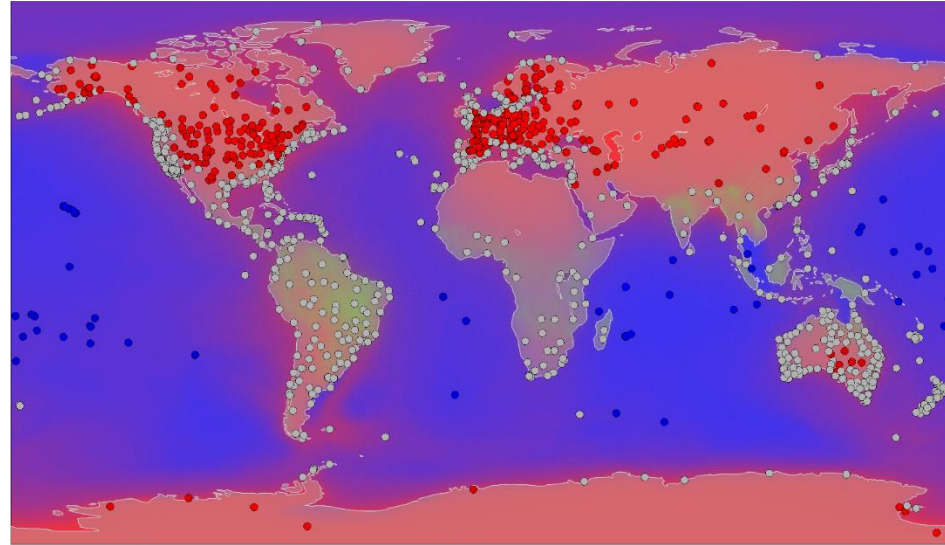
Center of Mass of the Earth System (CM)

- All continental stations with a 60% RMS reduction → A; island stations → O

D5: 24 days – 3 months



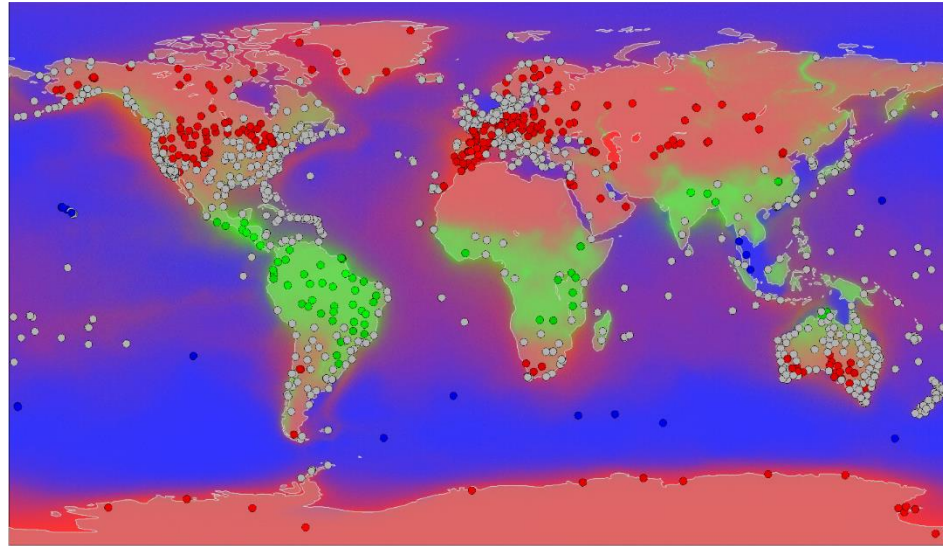
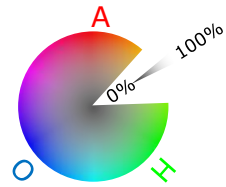
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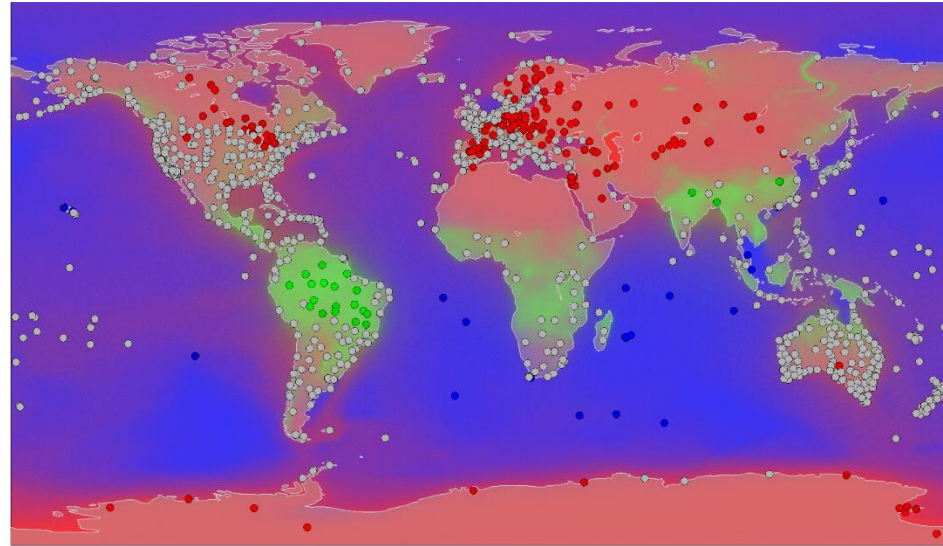
Center of Mass of the Earth System (CM)

- Relevance of H increases around big catchments; A → continents; O → islands

D6: 2 – 5 months



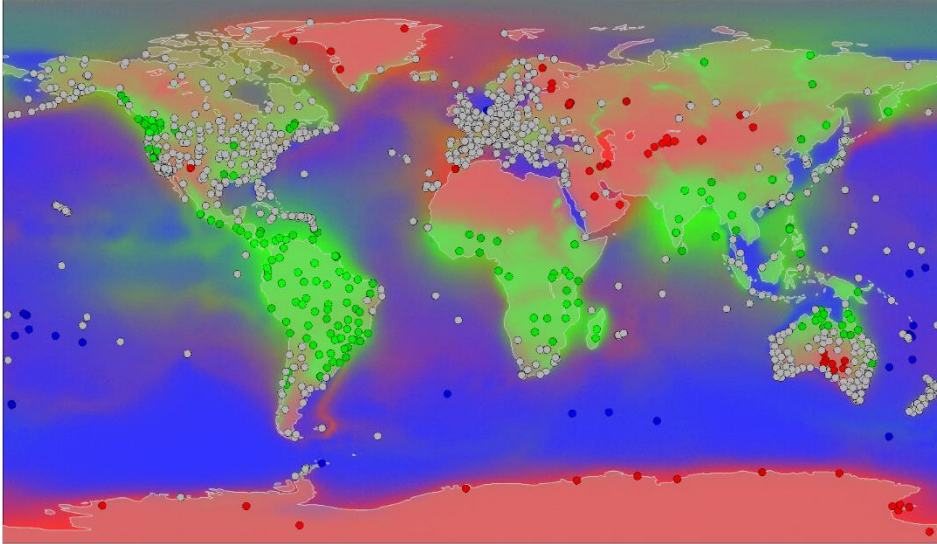
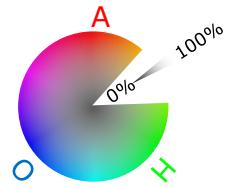
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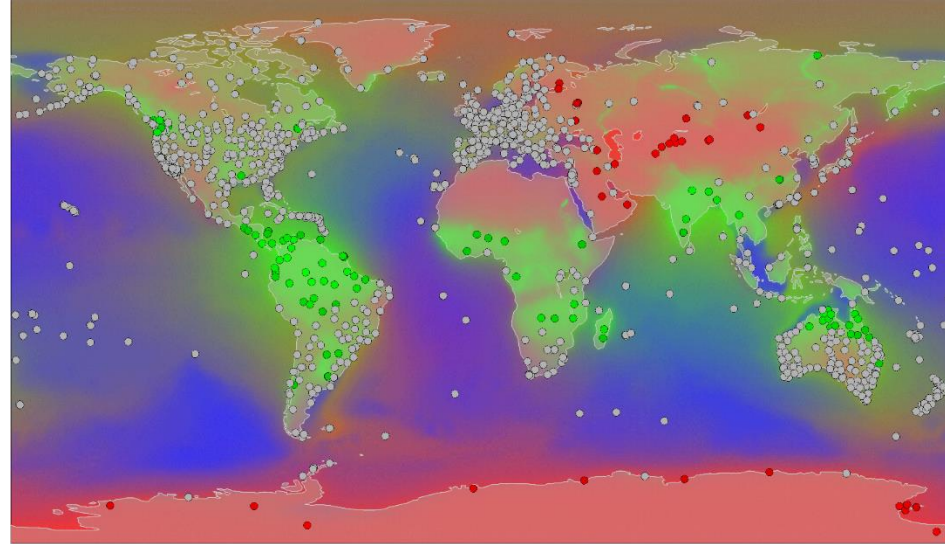
Center of Mass of the Earth System (CM)

- A and H of comparative importance over continents, depending on site

D7: 4 – 9 months



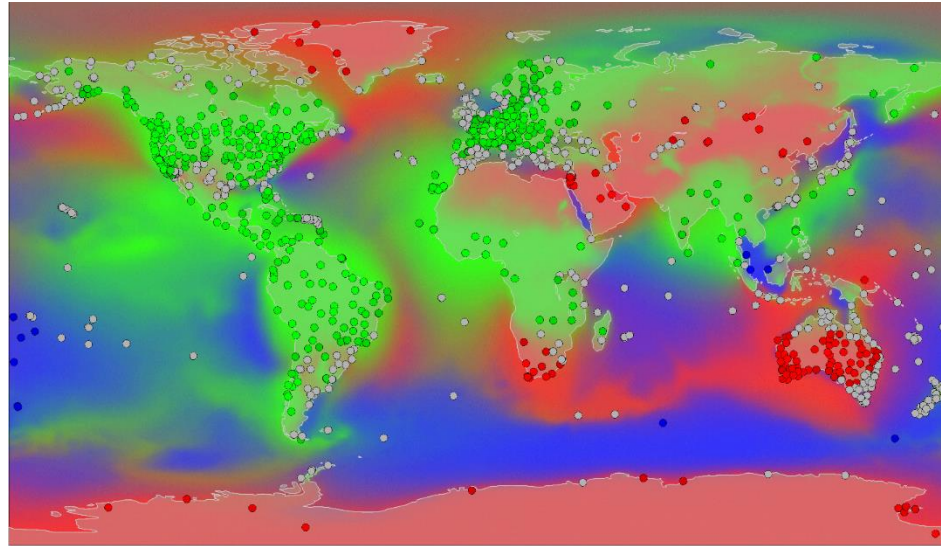
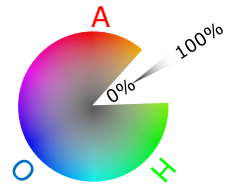
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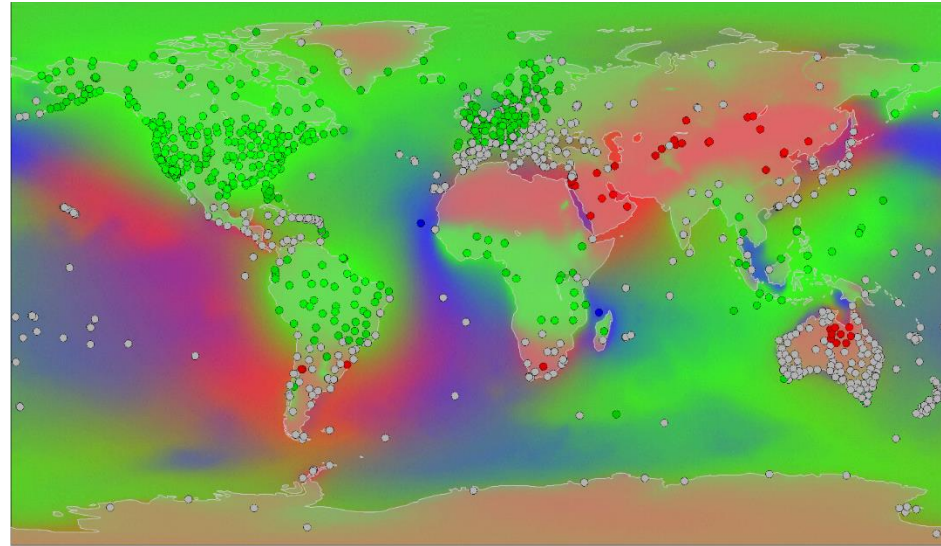
Center of Mass of the Earth System (CM)

- H more important GNSS variance reductor

D8: 7 months – 1.4 years



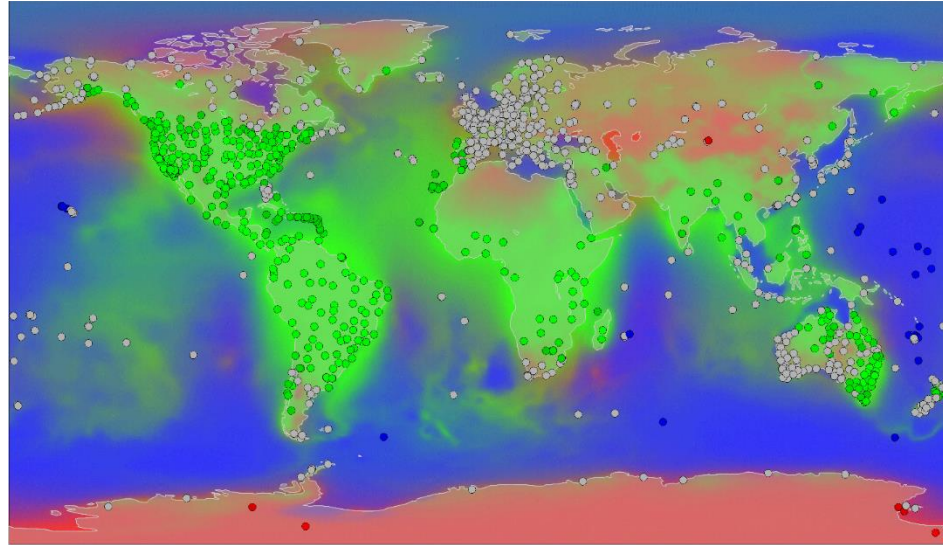
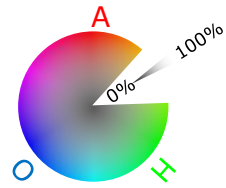
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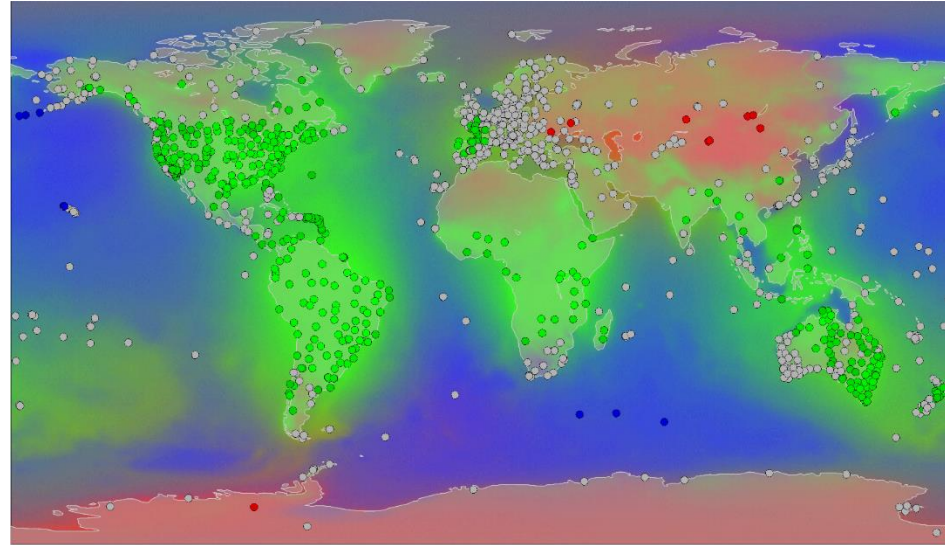
Center of Mass of the Earth System (CM)

- H even more important GNSS variance reductor

A8: 1.1 years – ∞



Center of Surface Figure (CF)



Center of Mass of the Earth System (CM)

- H most important GNSS variance reductor

Recapitulation

- Compared **NWM-derived non-tidal loading displacements (ESMGFZ)** to **GNSS-derived station displacements (IGS REPRO 3: 10 + 1)** in **frequency domain** employing **wavelet decomposition**
- Highest RMS reduction: Sites dominated by **atmospheric/sea-level** loading
- Lowest RMS reduction: Sites dominated by **ocean** loading
- Largest model/observation discrepancies: Sites dominated by **hydrological** loading at **seasonal** timescales
- Best model/observation agreement: **Combined** solution

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Data availability

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