Basal friction (part 1) and flow factor inversion (part 2)

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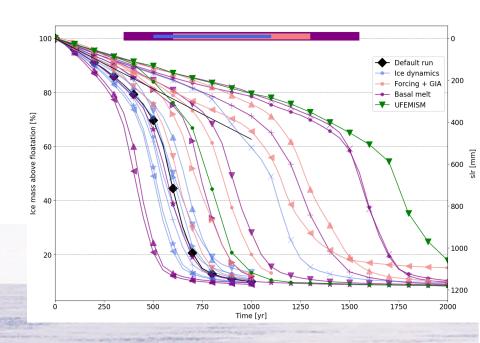


Part 1 – Basal friction

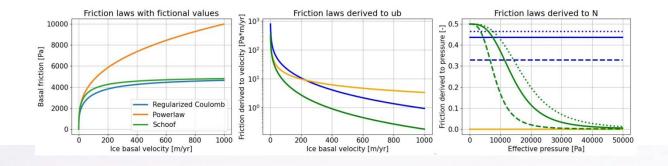
WAIS collapse in different flavours ->

Uncertainty is dominated by choice of model and basal melting

Not so much by basal friction..



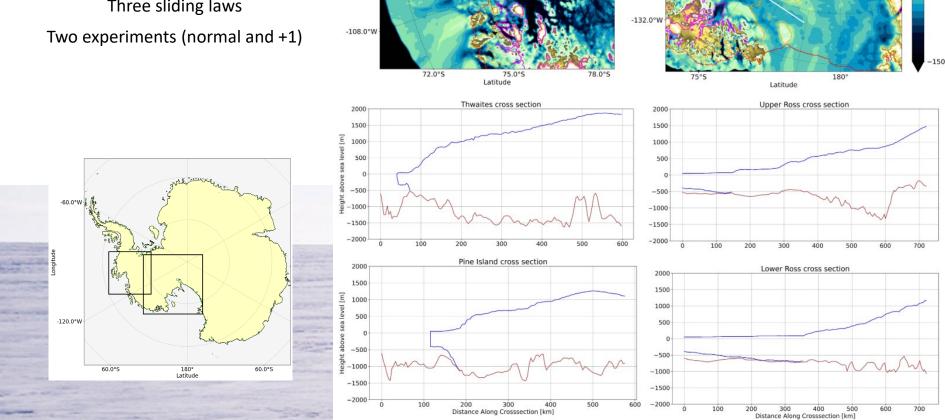
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Regional case studies

Amundsen Sea Embayement vs Siple coast **Buttressing vs no Buttressing**

Three sliding laws



-92.0°W

5 -100.0°w

Grounding line observations

Ice thickness = 1500 meters

-108.0°V

ng -120.0°W

1500

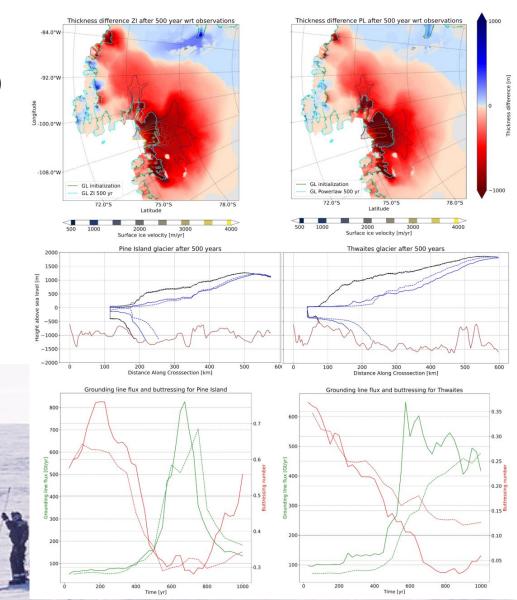
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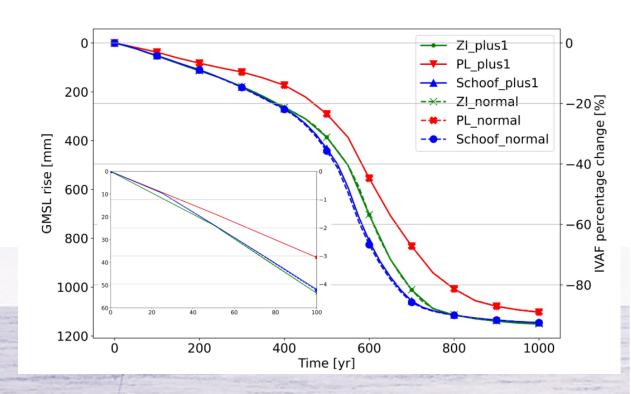
Thickness difference after 500 years: (Coulomb sliding left, powerlaw sliding right)

Glacier outlines:

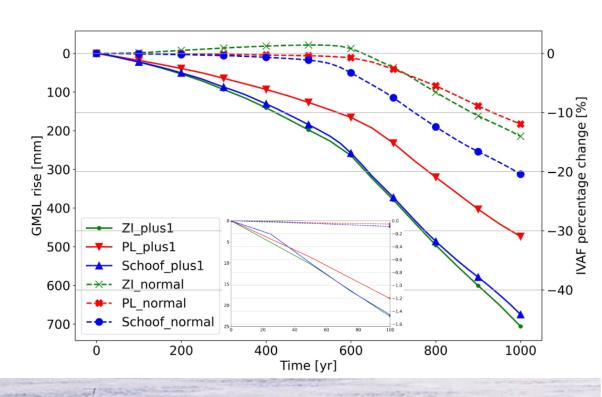
Buttressing versus grounding line flux:



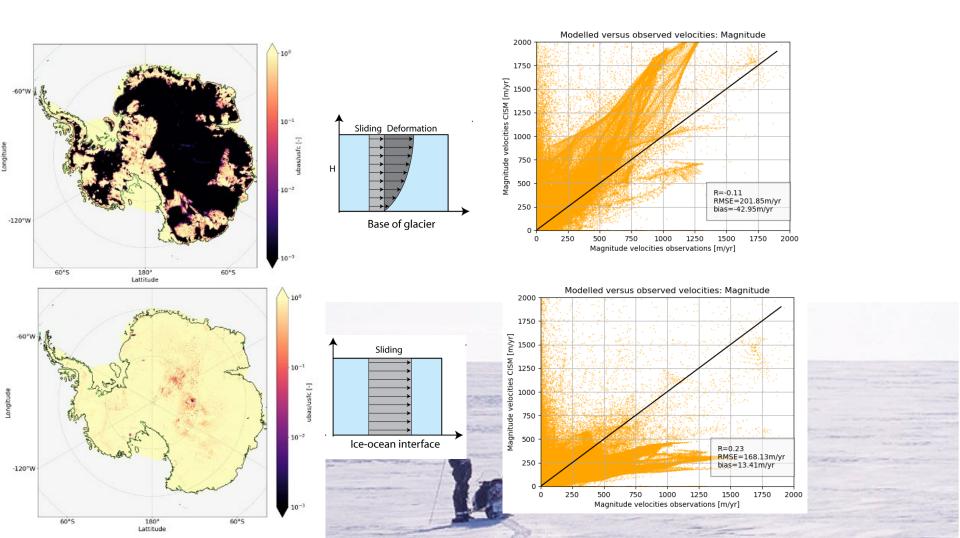
Sea level rise from the ASE:



Sea level rise from the Siple coast:



Part 2 – Flow factor inversion



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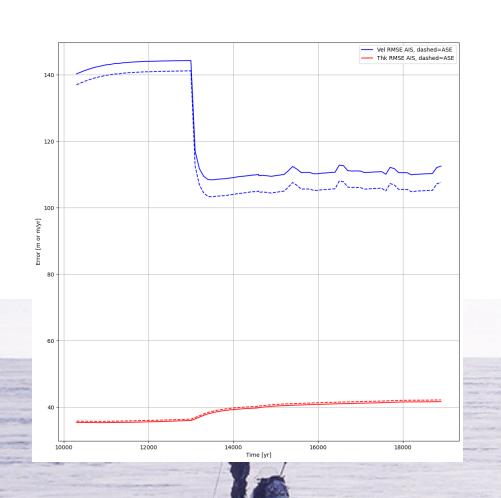
Higher flow enhancement factor -> softer ice -> larger velocities

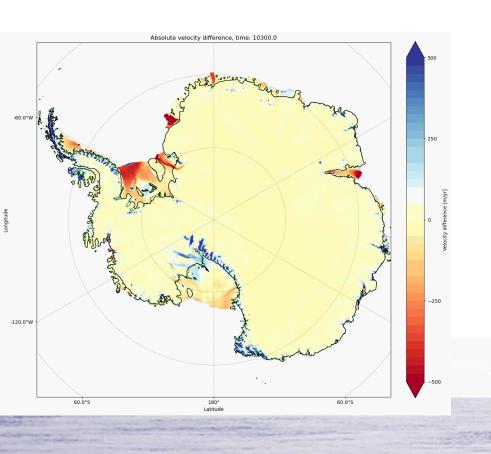
Lower flow enhancement factor -> stiffer ice -> lower velocities

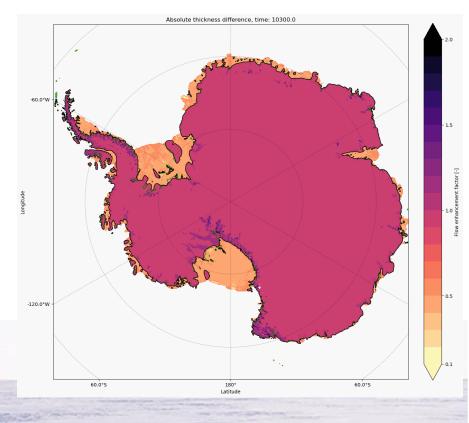
Friction takes care of thickness, FEF of velocities











Next steps:

- More firmly investigate the basal friction -> grounding line flux -> buttressing relation (MISMIP, or other idealized/analytical settings

-Fine tune the flow factor inversion

- Write it up 😊



Thanks for your attention!

Happy to take questions or to discuss

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