

SPACE-BORNE SAR INTERFEROMETRY AND APPLICATIONS
THREE DECADES OF INNOVATION AND PROBLEM SOLVING

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25 YEARS AGO...

Letter

The displacement field of the Landers earthquake mapped by radar interferometry

Didier Massonnet, Marc Rossi, César Carmona, Frédéric Adragna, Gilles Peltzer, Kurt Feigl & Thierry Rabaute

Nature **364**, 138–142 (08 July 1993)

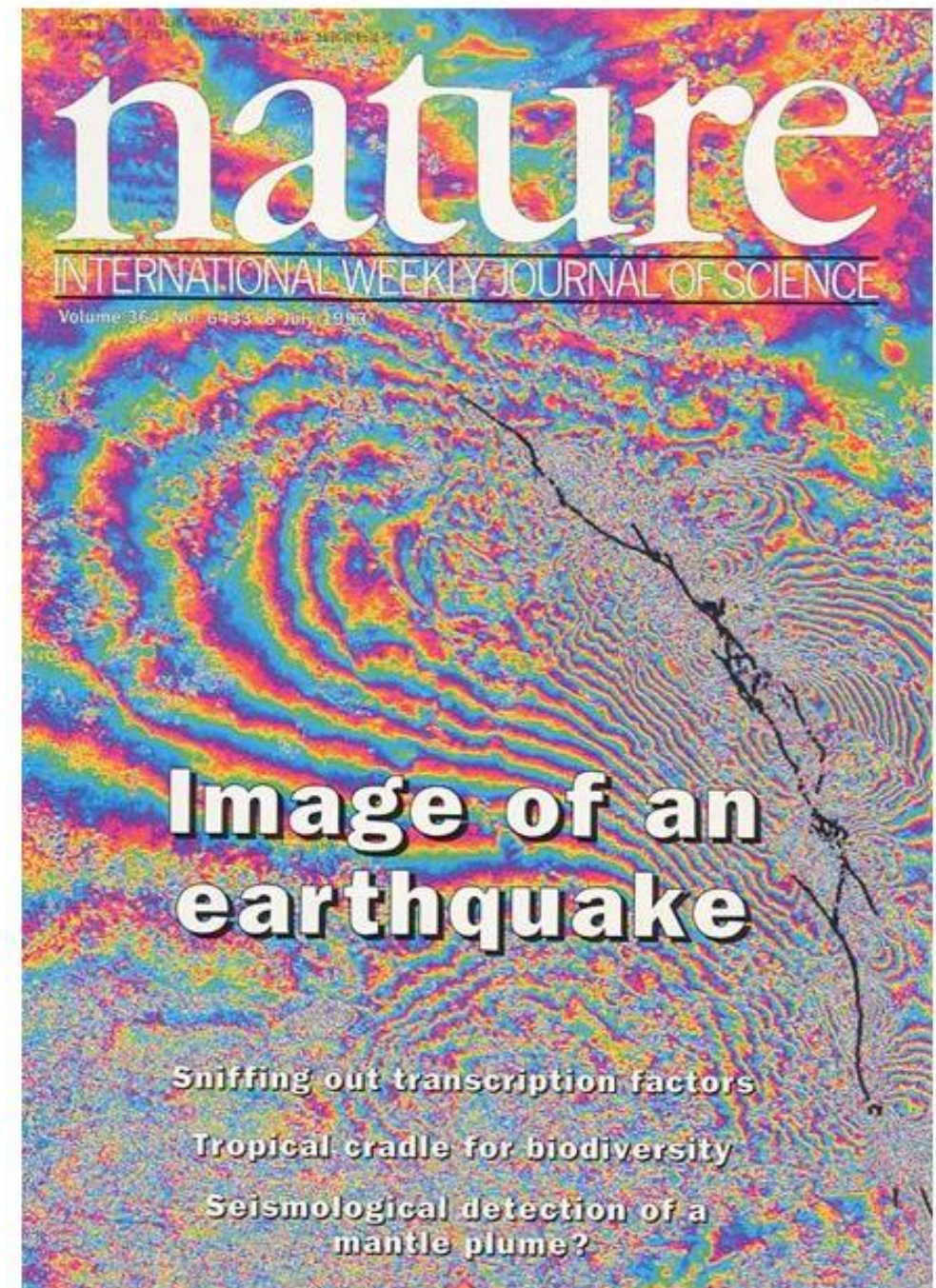
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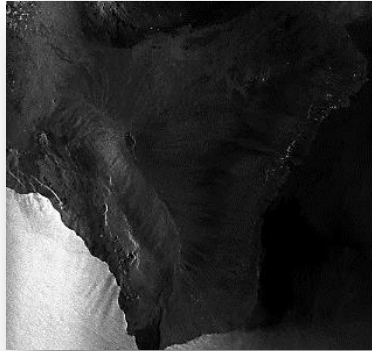
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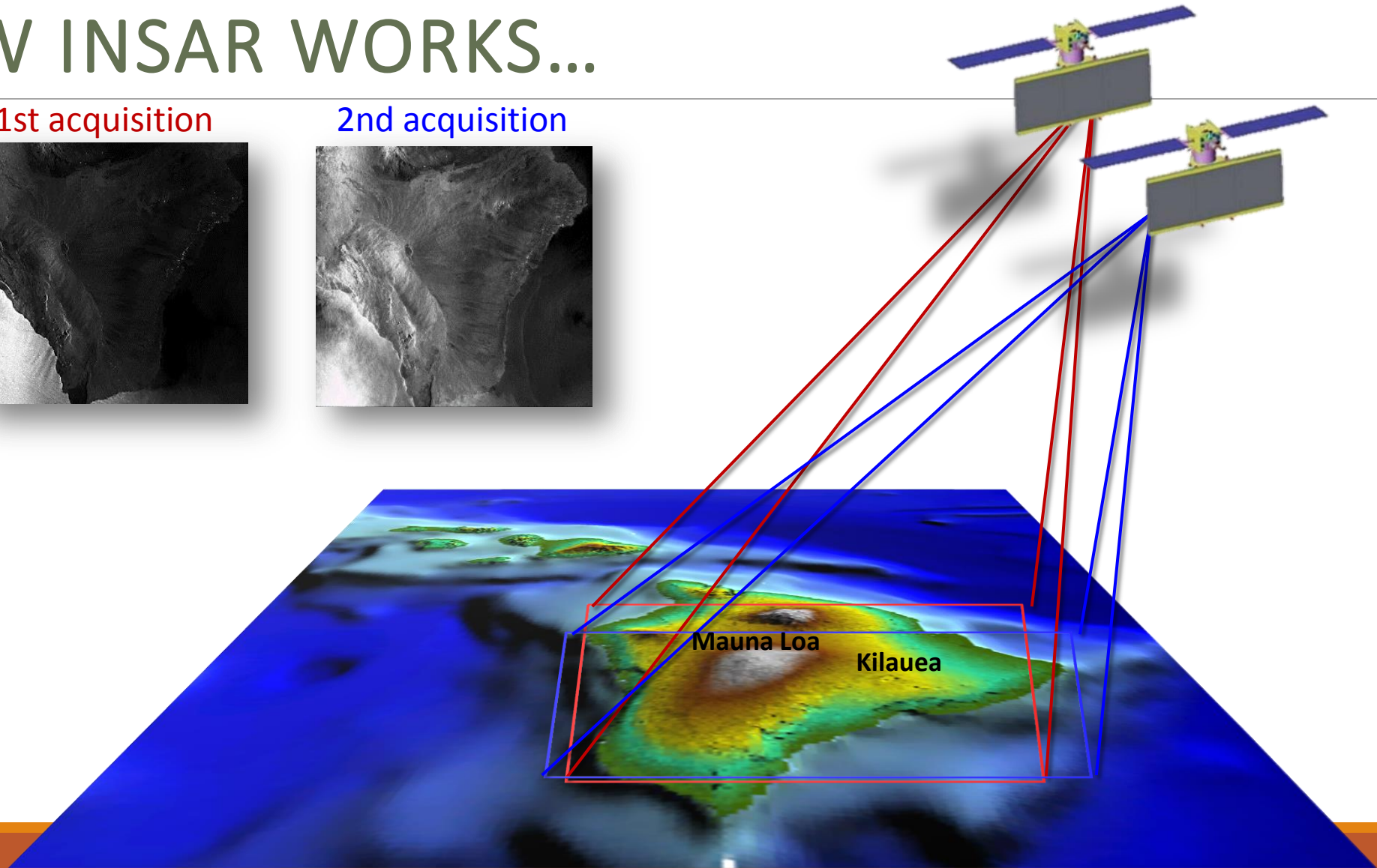
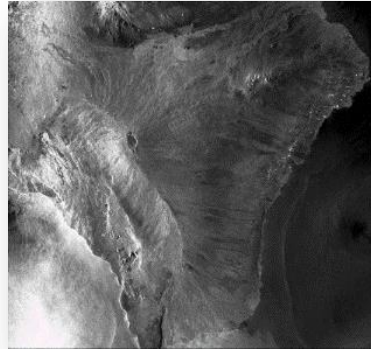


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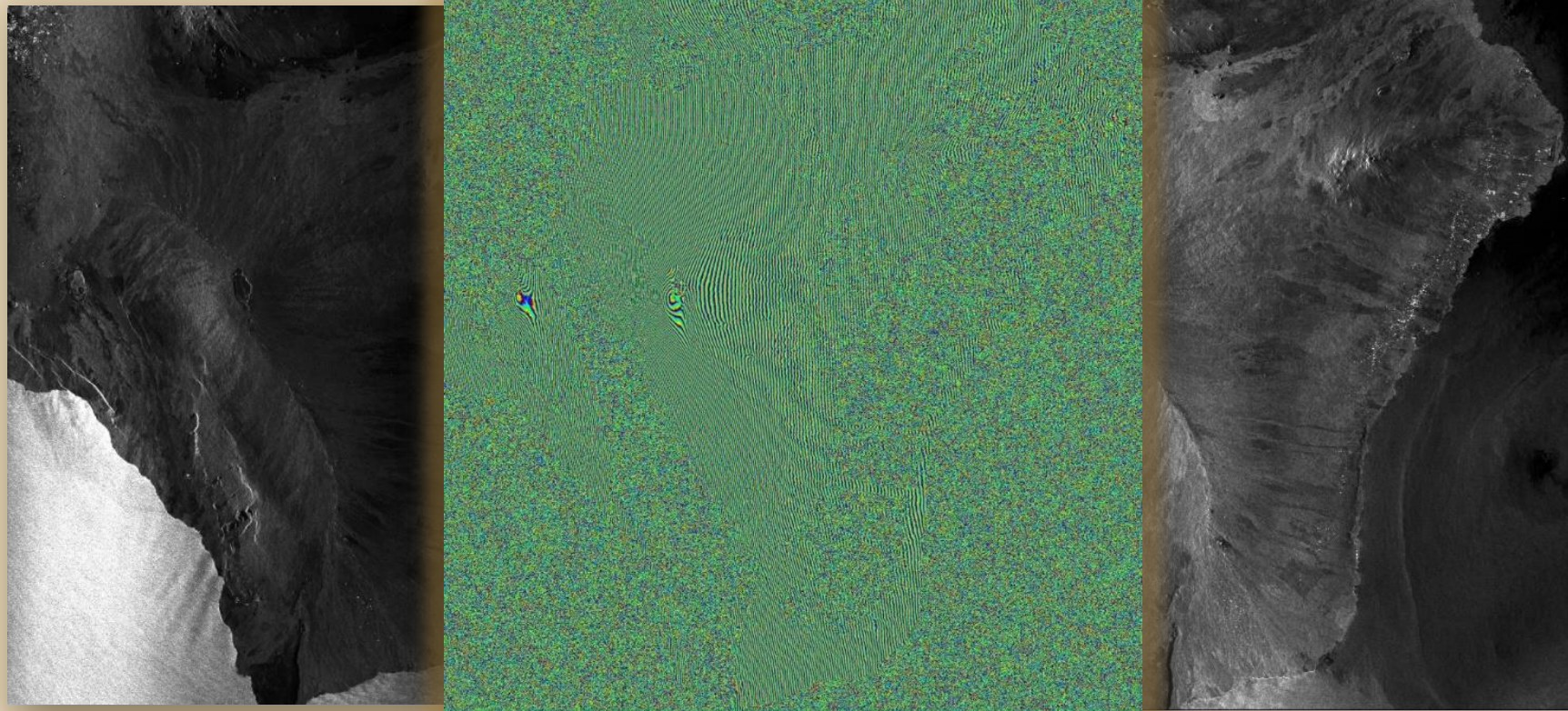
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2nd acquisition



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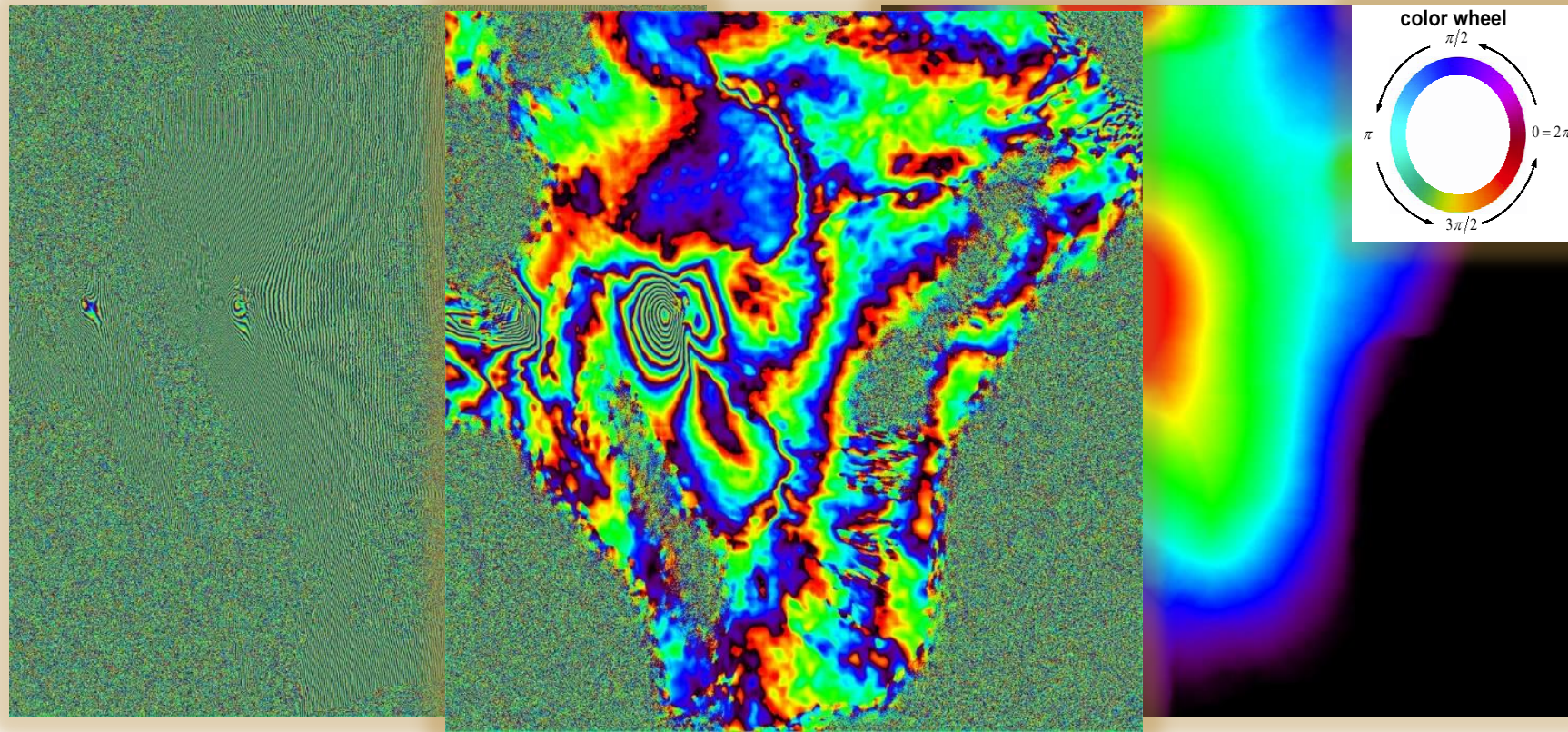


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Multiply (X)

2nd image

DIFFERENTIAL INTERFEROGRAM GENERATION



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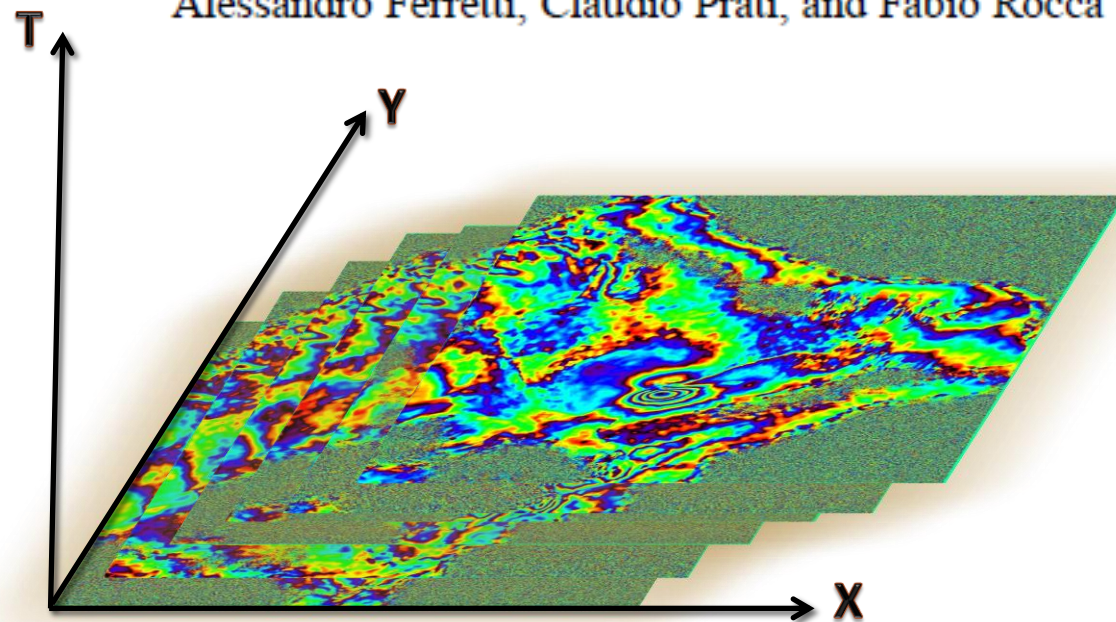
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NEXT BIG THING...

IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON GEOSCIENCE AND REMOTE SENSING, VOL. 39, NO. 1, JANUARY 2001


Permanent Scatterers in SAR Interferometry

Alessandro Ferretti, Claudio Prati, and Fabio Rocca



SOFTWARE FOR ACADEMIC USE

- **ISCE (aka, Roi-Pac)**
 - JPL/Caltech/Stanford InSAR Scientific Computing Environment



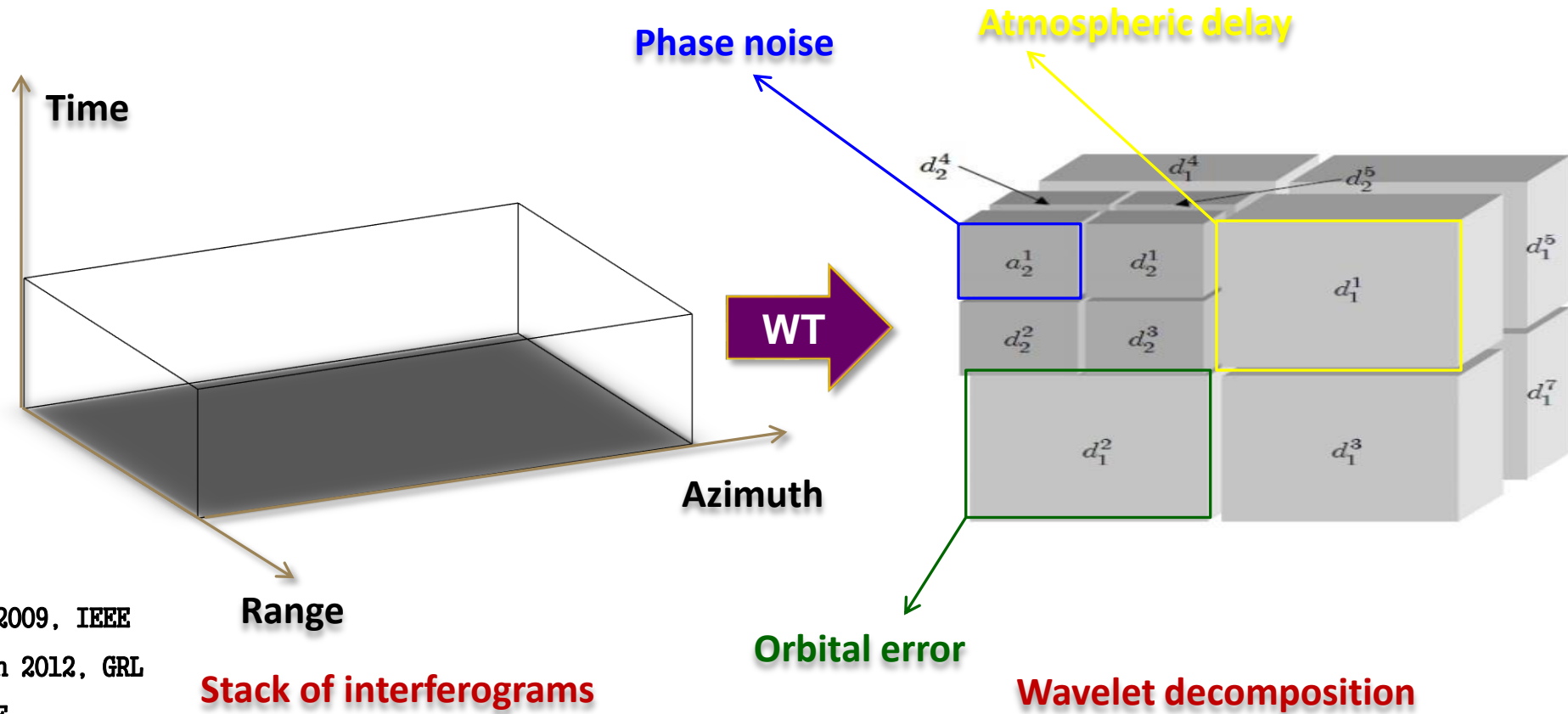
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Date	Version	Comments
2017 Aug 3	isce-2.1.0.tar.bz2	RELEASE NOTES
2014 Jul 30	isce-2.0.0.bz2	<p>This release, isce-2.0.0, is the first Python3 version of ISCE. Users should switch to the version. We plan to release a final Python2 version soon that will include much, but not all, of the functionality of this version, but future developments and bug fixes will be to the Python3 version. We plan more frequent formal releases in the future and will also release monthly snapshots of the development version of the code.</p> <p>The README.txt file and the example input files in the examples/input_files directory are the most up to date sources of information on installing and running ISCE. The ISCE.pdf file is useful but may be dated in parts. It will be updated in an upcoming release.</p> <p>If you want to use ISCE to process RadarSAT1 data, then you will need to download files to the components/isceobj/Orbit/db directory. Instructions on where to get the files are given in the file kernels.list file in that directory.</p>

WAVELET BASED MULTI-TEMPORAL INSAR (WABINSAR)



Shirzaei & Walter 2009, IEEE

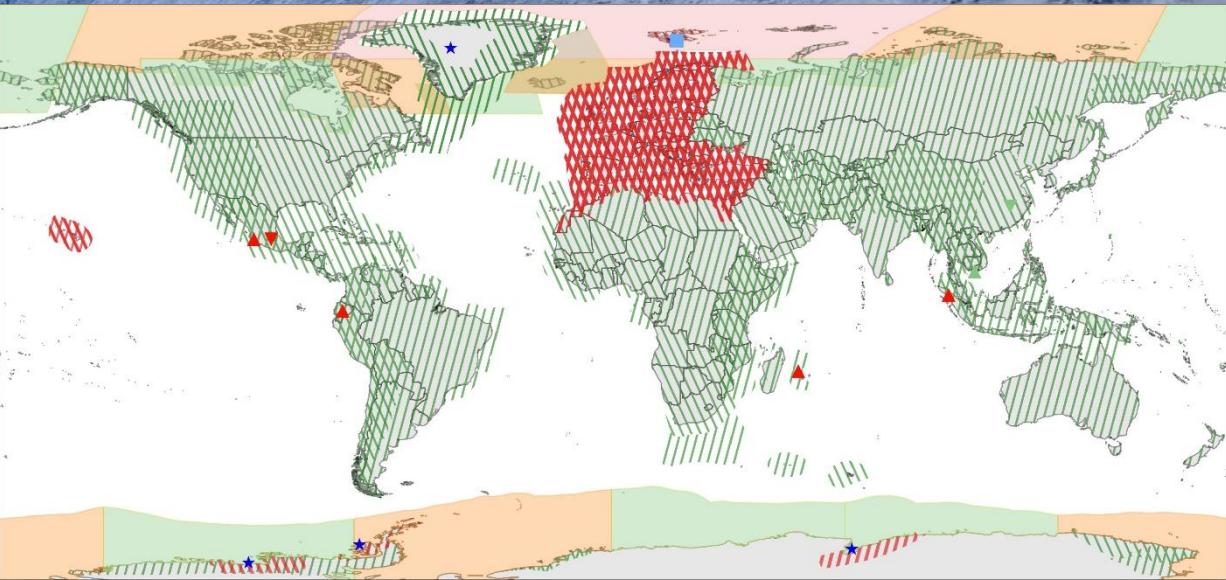
Shirzaei & Bürgmann 2012, GRL

Shirzaei 2013, IEEE

Shirzaei 2015, G3

SENTINEL ERA...

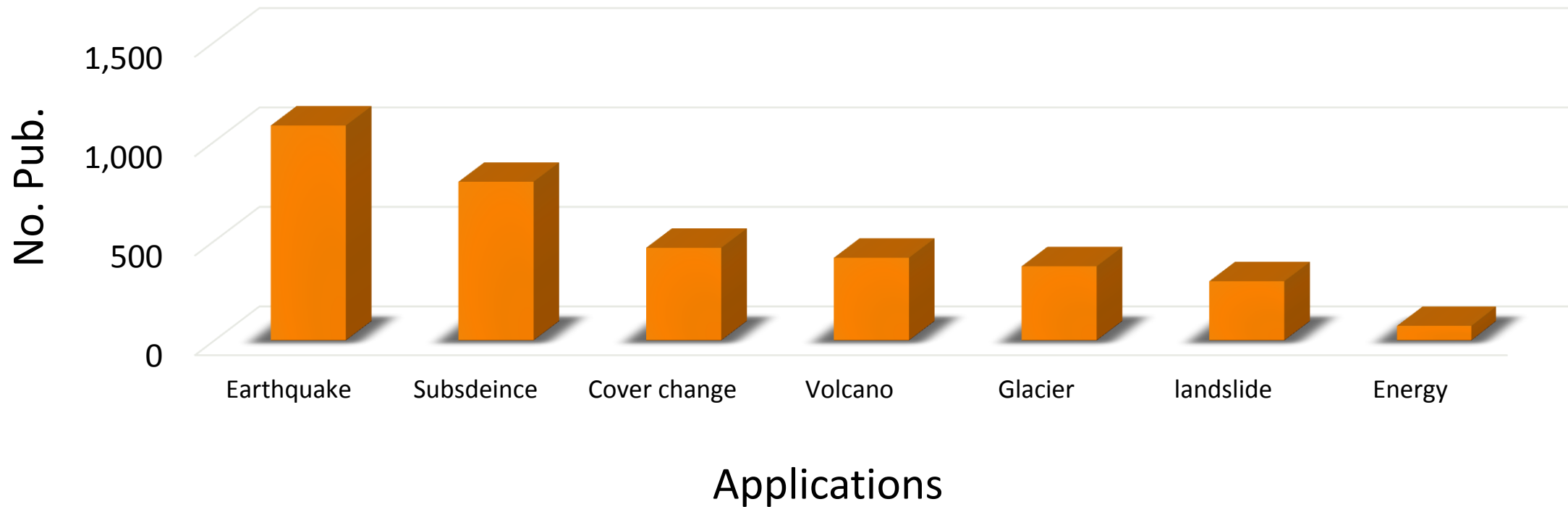
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PASS	REVISIT	FREQUENCY *	COVERAGE	FREQUENCY **	REFERENCE DATA SITES (6d repeat)
ASCENDING	6 days	12 days	1 days	1 days	Highly active volcanism
DESCENDING	6 days	12 days	1-3 days	1-3 days	Fast subsidence
	6 days	12 days	2-4 days	2-4 days	Short growth cycle, intensive agriculture
	6 days	12 days			Fast changing wetlands
	6 days	12 days			Fast moving outlet glaciers
	6 days	12 days			Permafrost & glaciers

* coverage ensured from same, repetitive relative orbits
 ** coverage not considering repetitiveness of relative orbits

INSAR APPLICATIONS IN PUBLICATIONS

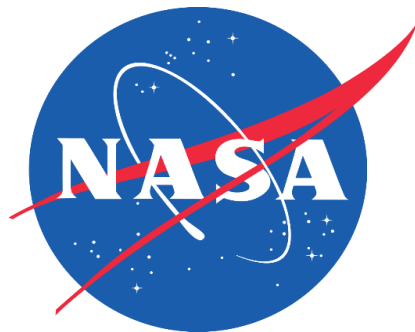


REMOTE SENSING OF WATER MASS BUDGET VARIATIONS IN CALIFORNIA



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**IF YOU CAN'T MEASURE IT,
YOU CAN'T MANAGE IT!**



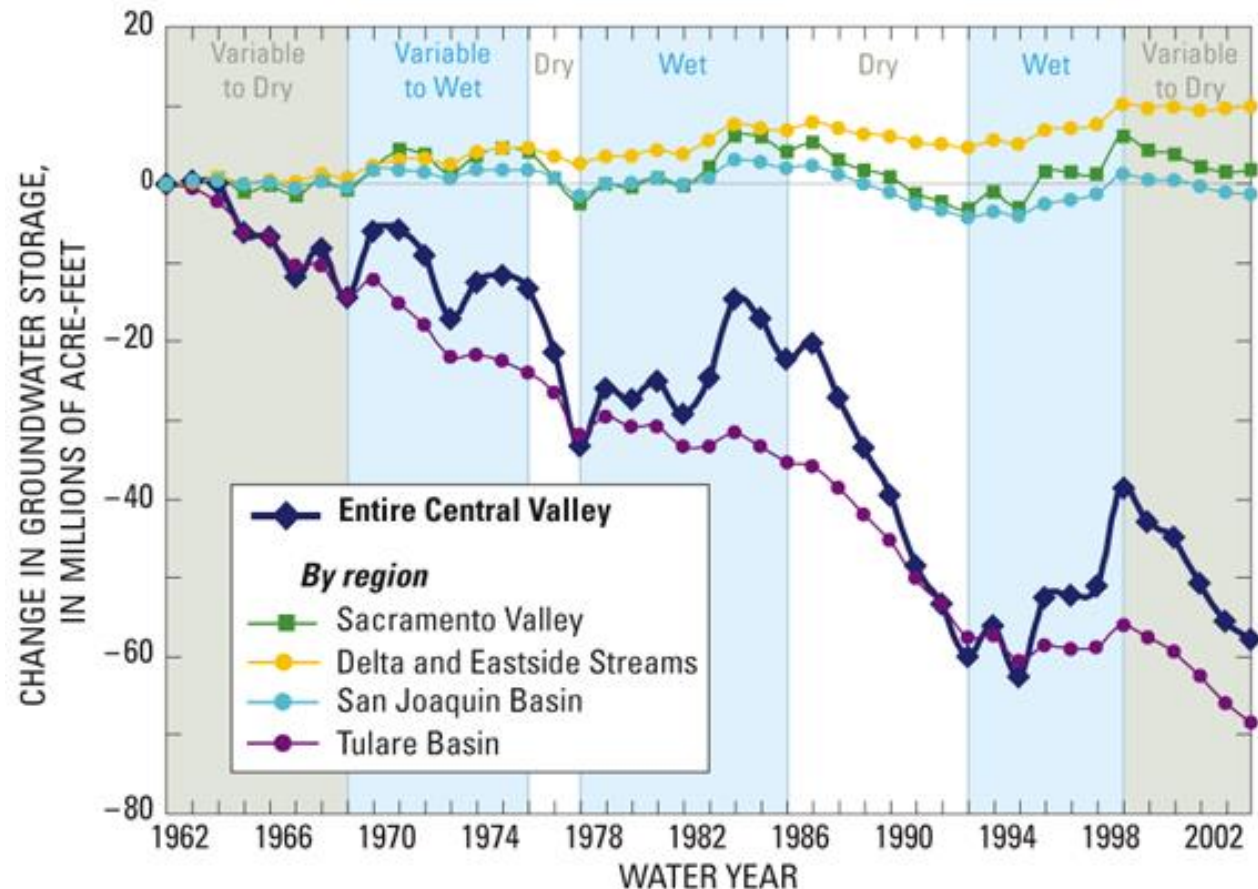
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Grace Carlson

CENTRAL VALLEY GROUNDWATER

- More than 250 different crops are grown in the Central Valley, with an estimated value of \$17 billion/yr.
- Approximately one-sixth of the Nation's irrigated land is in the Central Valley.
- About one-fifth of the Nation's groundwater pumpage is from the Central Valley aquifer system.

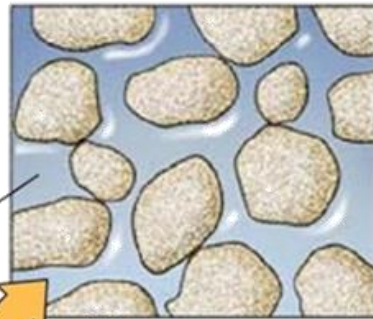


GROUNDWATER EXPLOITATION

Before

Water in pores holds grains apart and keeps pores open.

Water



Water table

After

Removal of water allows pores to collapse, so porosity decreases.

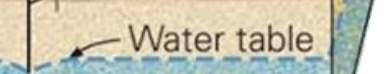
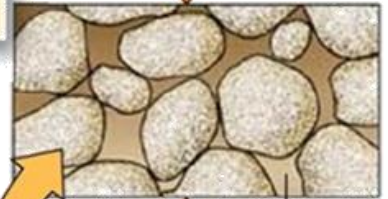
Ground cracks; fissures and scarps develop.

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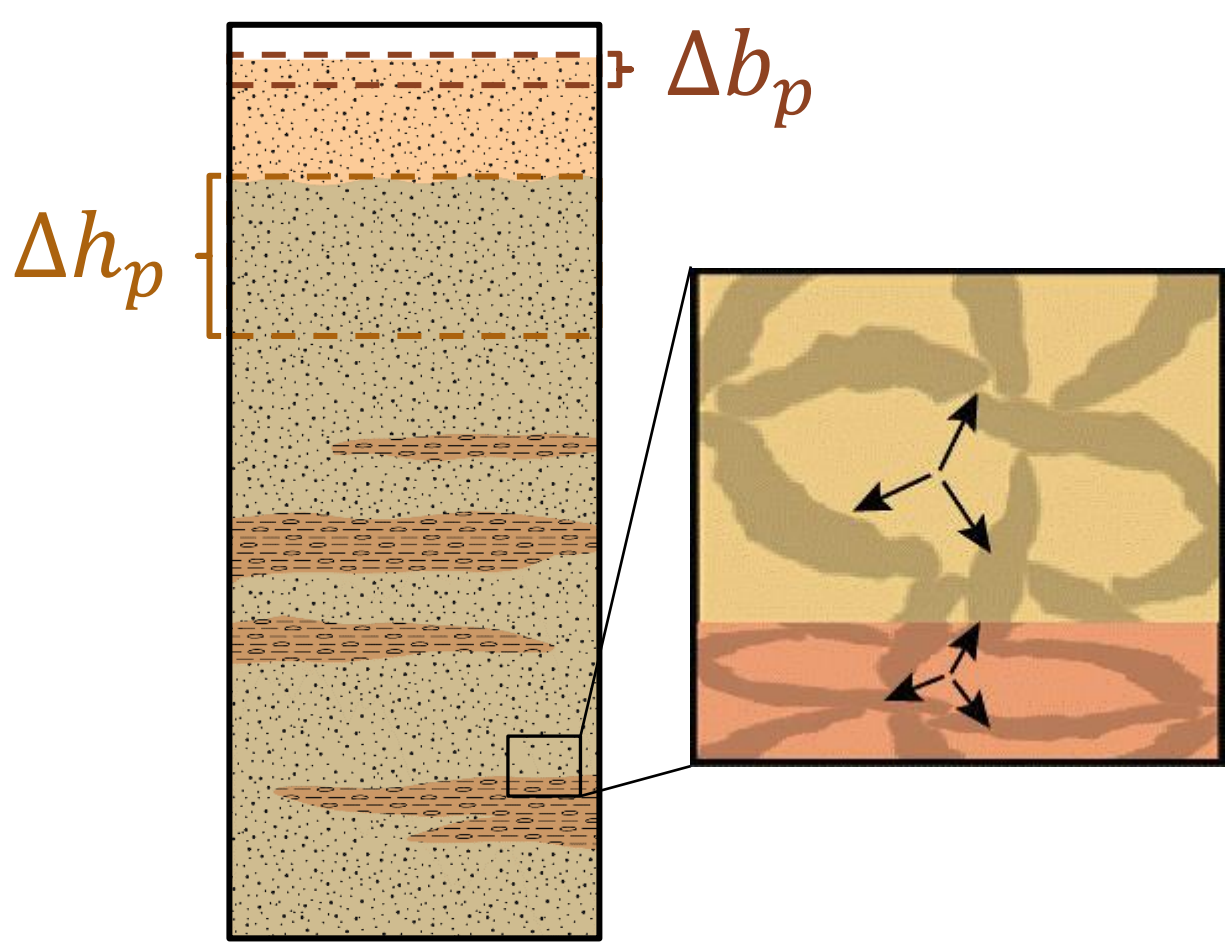
Air

Well

Water table



ELASTIC DEFORMATION

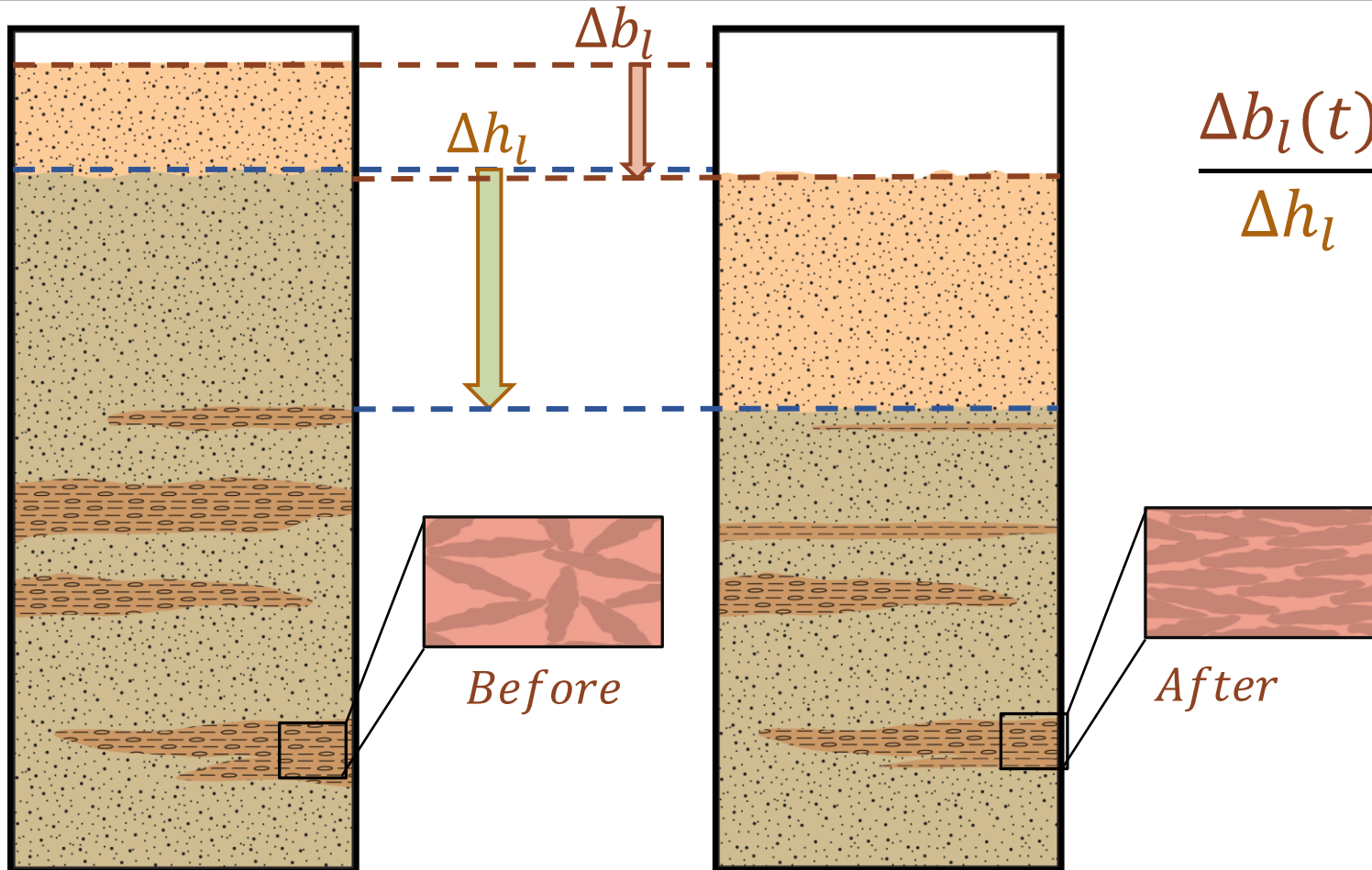


$$\frac{\Delta b_p}{\Delta h_p} = S_{ke}$$

- Δb_p - seasonal displacement
- Δh_p - seasonal well levels
- S_{ke} - elastic storage coefficient

S_{ke} is the volume of water released or absorbed per Δh_p of an aquifer system area, coupled with elastic deformation Δb_p .

INELASTIC DEFORMATION



$$\frac{\Delta b_l(t)}{\Delta h_l} = S_{kv} \left(1 - \frac{8}{\pi^2} e^{-\frac{\pi^2 t}{4\tau}} \right)$$

Δh_l - step change in well level

Δb_l - subsidence

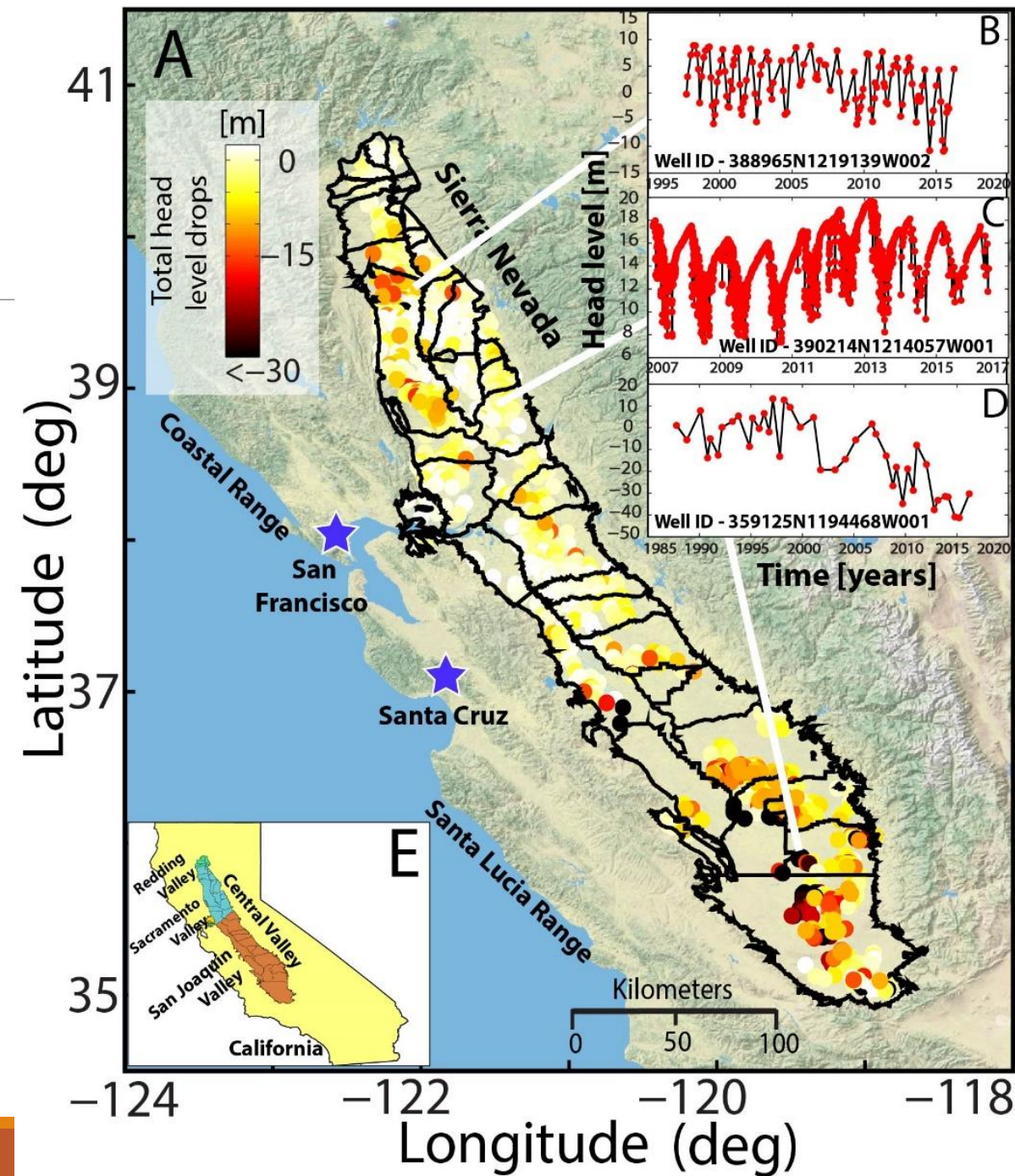
τ - compaction time constant

S_{kv} - inelastic storage coefficient

S_{kv} is the volume of water released per Δh_l of aquitards, from compaction Δb_l delayed by τ .

GROUNDWATER LEVEL (2007 - 2010)

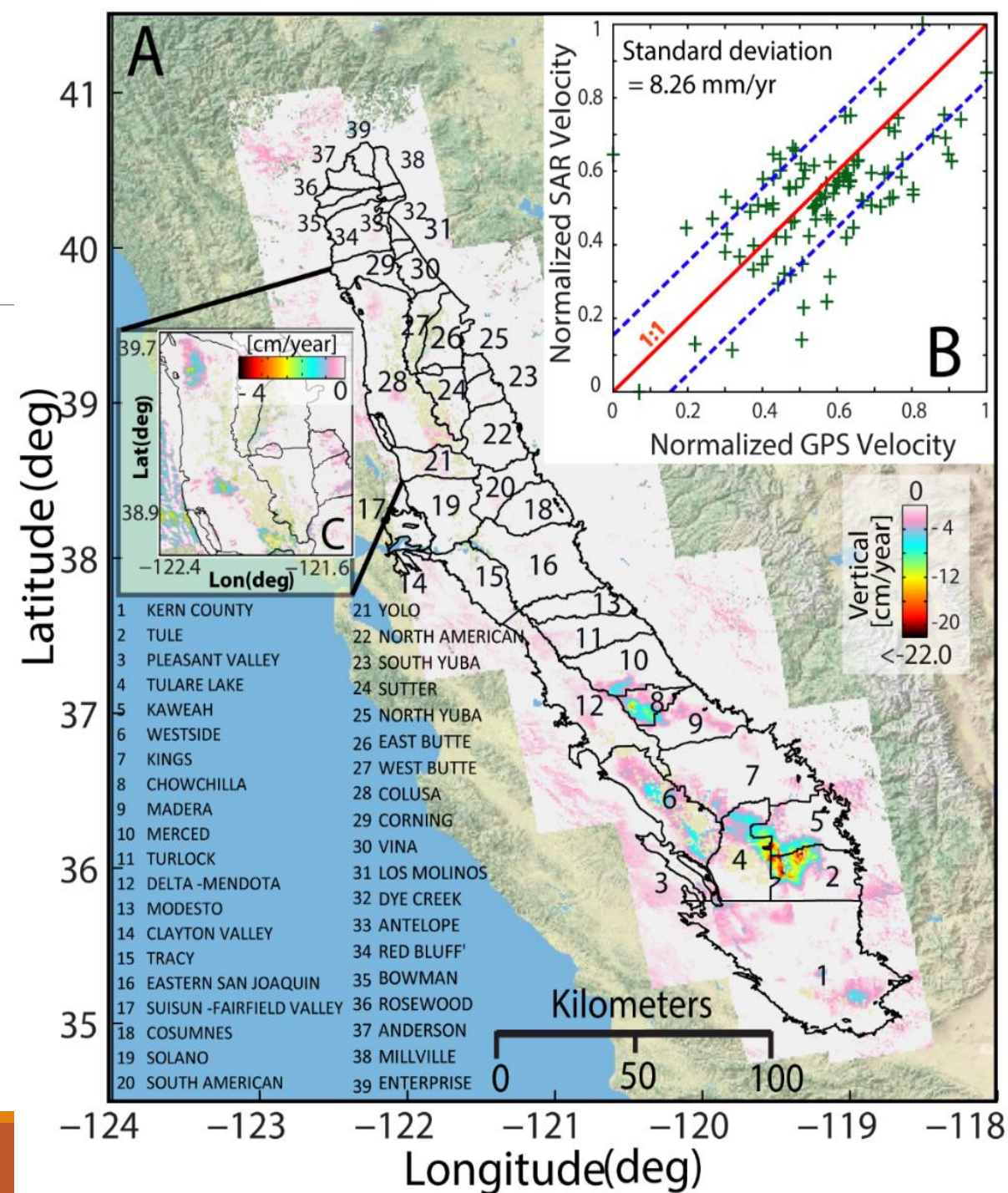
- Panel A: Groundwater level change during Dec 24, 2006 and Jan 1, 2010.
- Panels B-D: Groundwater level change over decadal time scale at selected wells in the Central Valley.



LAND SUBSIDENCE (2007 - 2010)

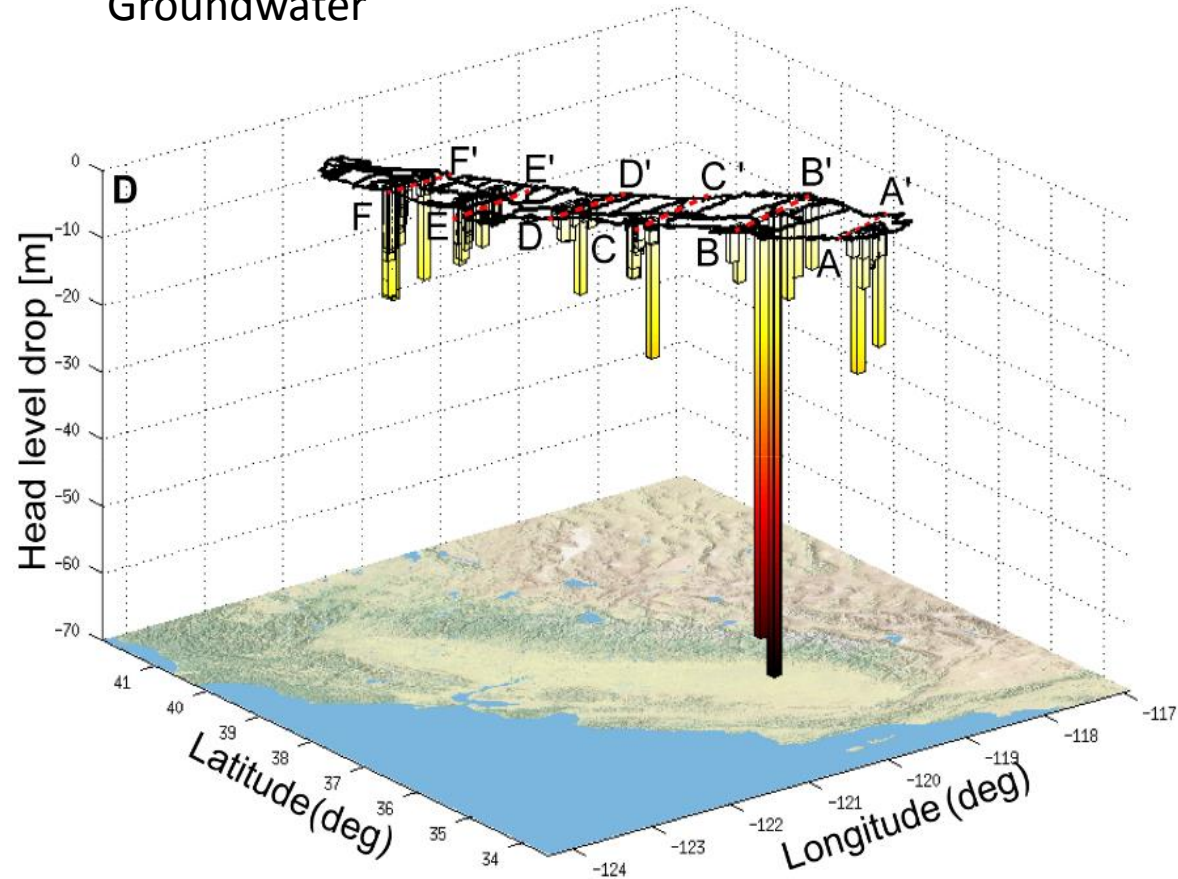
- Panel A: Subsidence during Dec 24, 2006 and Jan 1, 2010
 - 420 ALOS SAR images
 - 1604 Interferograms
 - 23 Millions pixels

- Panels B: InSAR vs GPS comparison

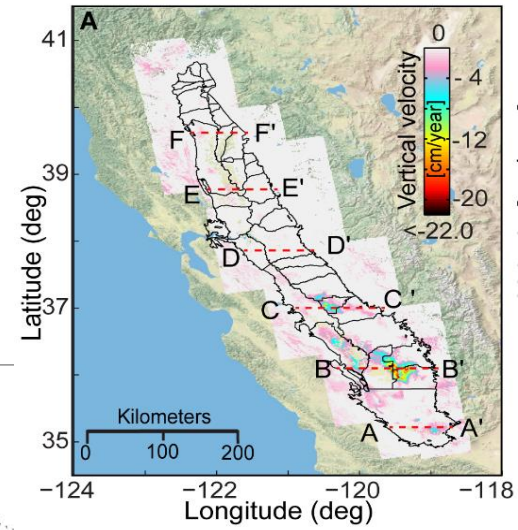
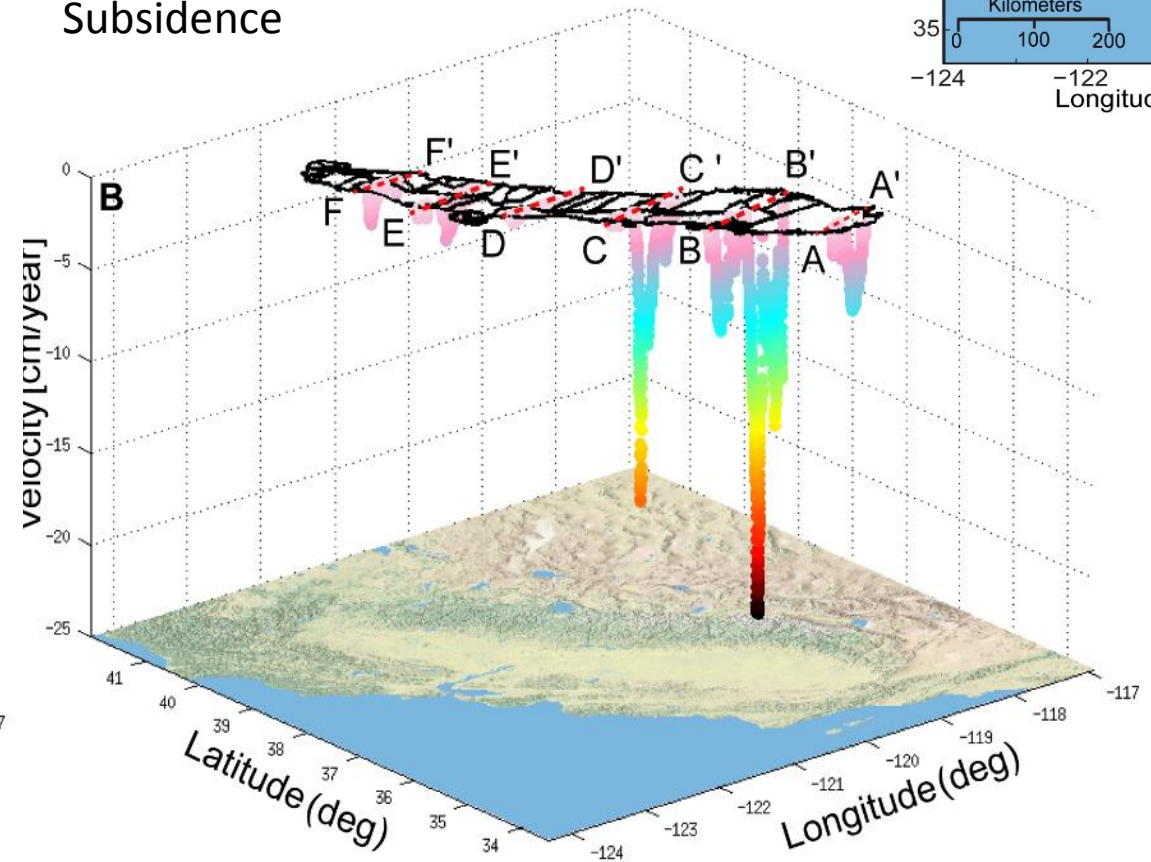


GROUNDWATER LEVEL VS LAND SUBSIDENCE

Groundwater



Subsidence



TERZAGHI'S THEORY OF 1D CONSOLIDATION



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$$d\epsilon_v = \frac{dV}{V} = -\frac{d\sigma'}{K}$$

$$dv_w = A \cdot dh = -A \frac{d\sigma'}{\alpha_\beta \cdot \rho \cdot g} = \frac{A \cdot db \cdot K}{\alpha_\beta \cdot \rho \cdot g \cdot b}$$

K : Bulk modulus

α_β : Biot-Willis coefficient ($0 < \alpha_\beta < 1$)

b = aquifer thickness

ρ : water density

g : gravitational acceleration

σ : Total stress

A : InSAR pixel area

db = Subsidence

$\sigma' = \sigma - \alpha_\beta P$: effective stress

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From InSAR From seismicity
From Lab From Geology

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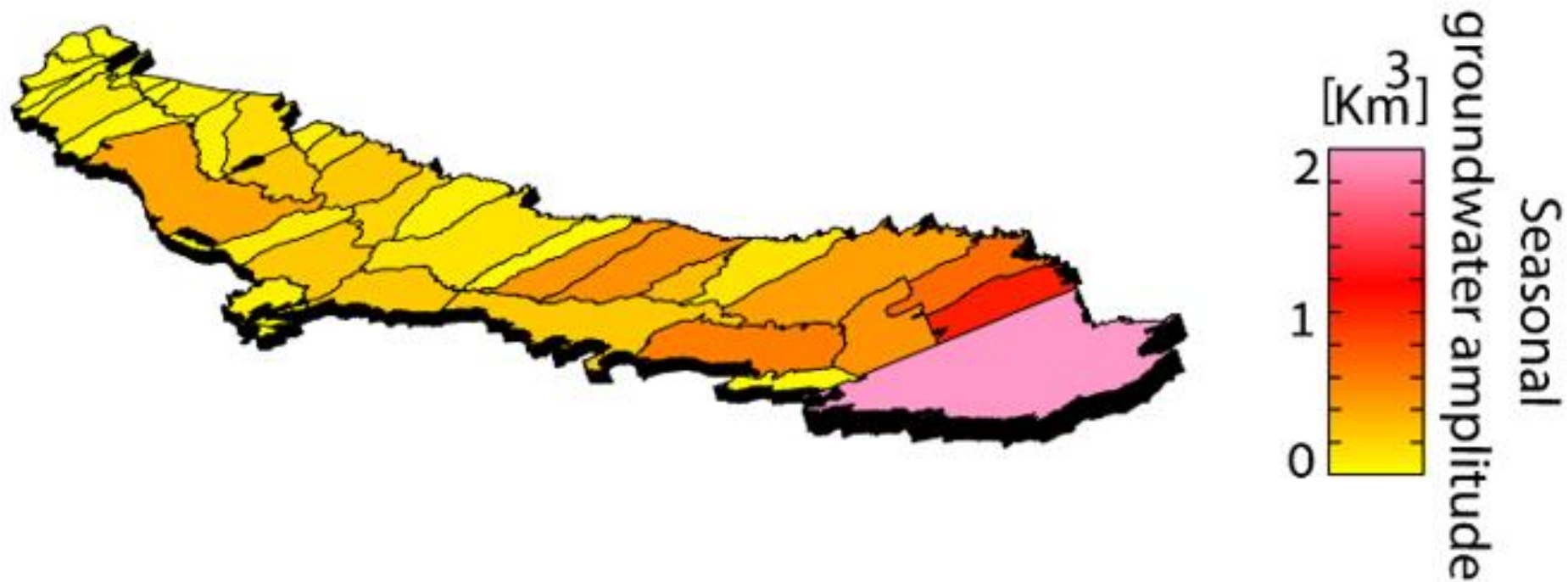
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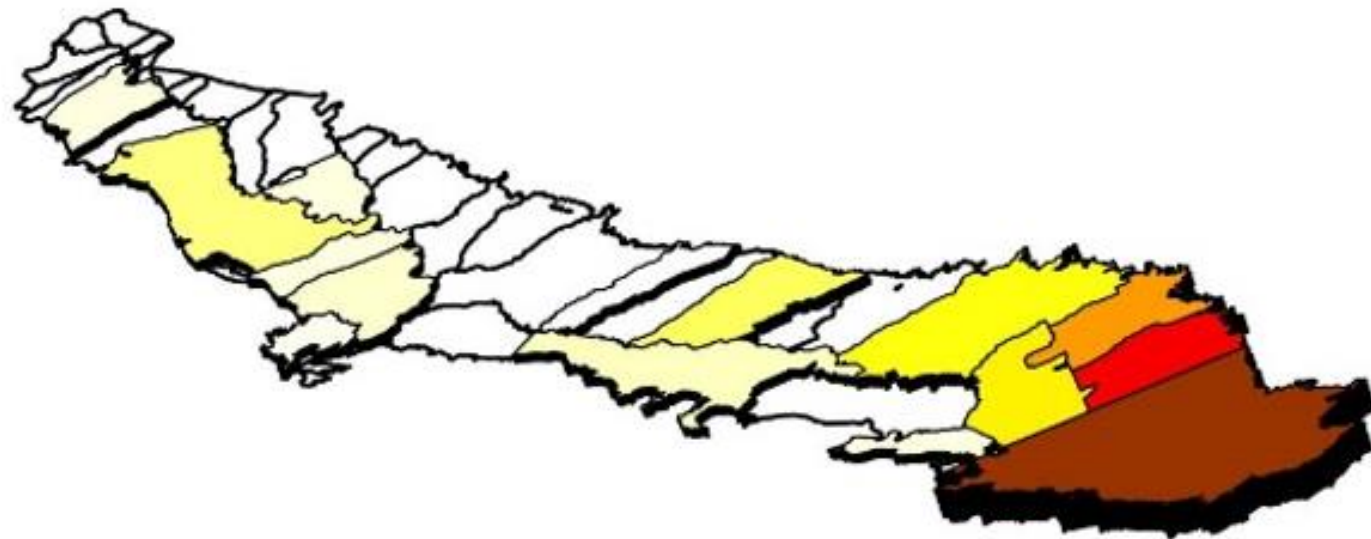
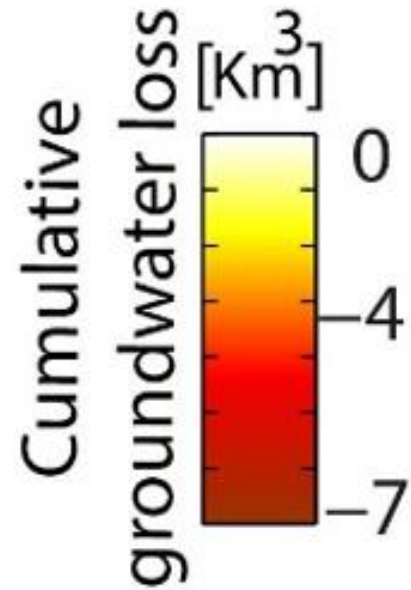
GROUNDWATER SEASONAL CHANGE (2007 - 2010)

Seasonal groundwater oscillation: $10.11 \pm 2.5 \text{ km}^3$

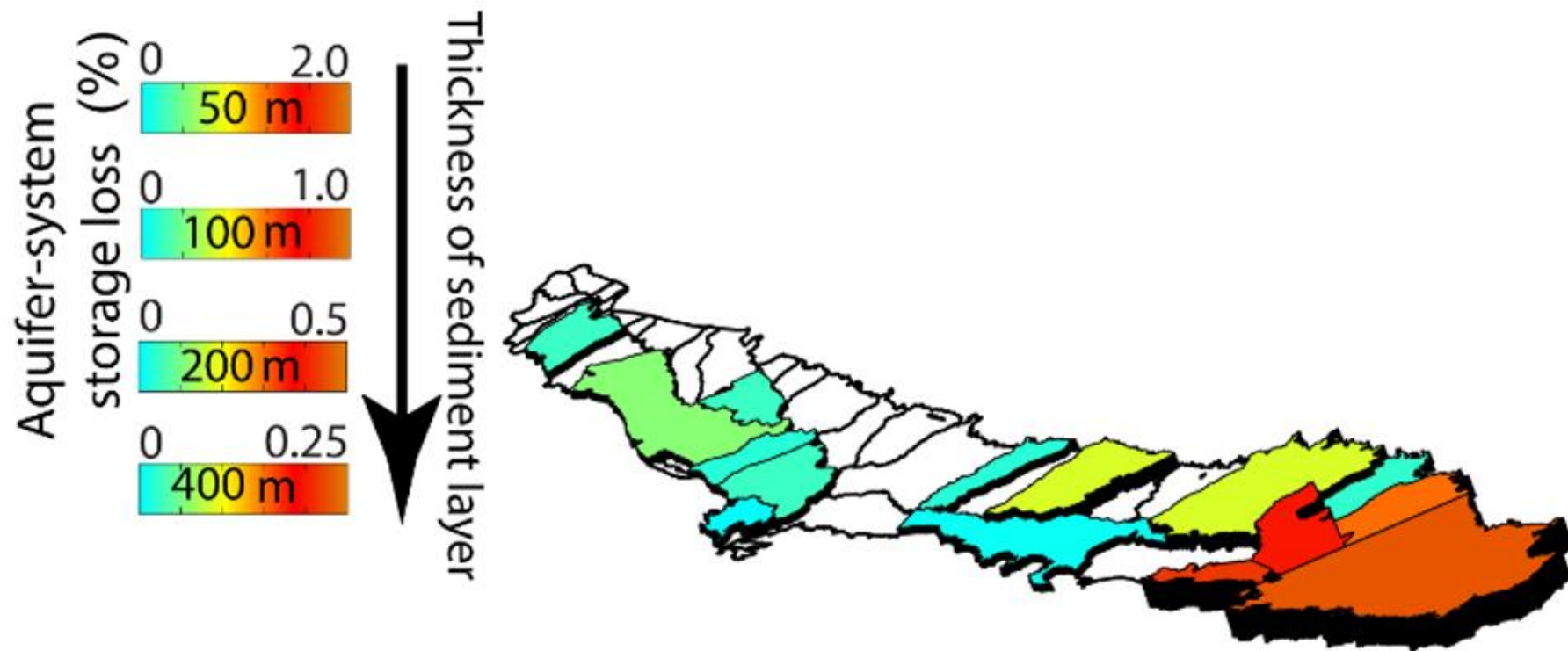


GROUNDWATER TOTAL LOSS (2007 - 2010)

Total groundwater loss: $21.32 \pm 7.2 \text{ km}^3$



AQUIFER STORAGE LOSS (2007 - 2010)



SUMMARY

- For the first time, InSAR derived maps of vertical land motion are used to estimate groundwater oscillation and change at regional scale.
- During drought period of 2007 - 2010 up to 2% of the central valley aquifer storage capacity is lost.

PHYSICS-BASED OPERATIONAL INDUCED EARTHQUAKE FORECASTING

**ENERGY PRODUCTION MUST GO ON,
LET'S MAKE IT SAFER!**

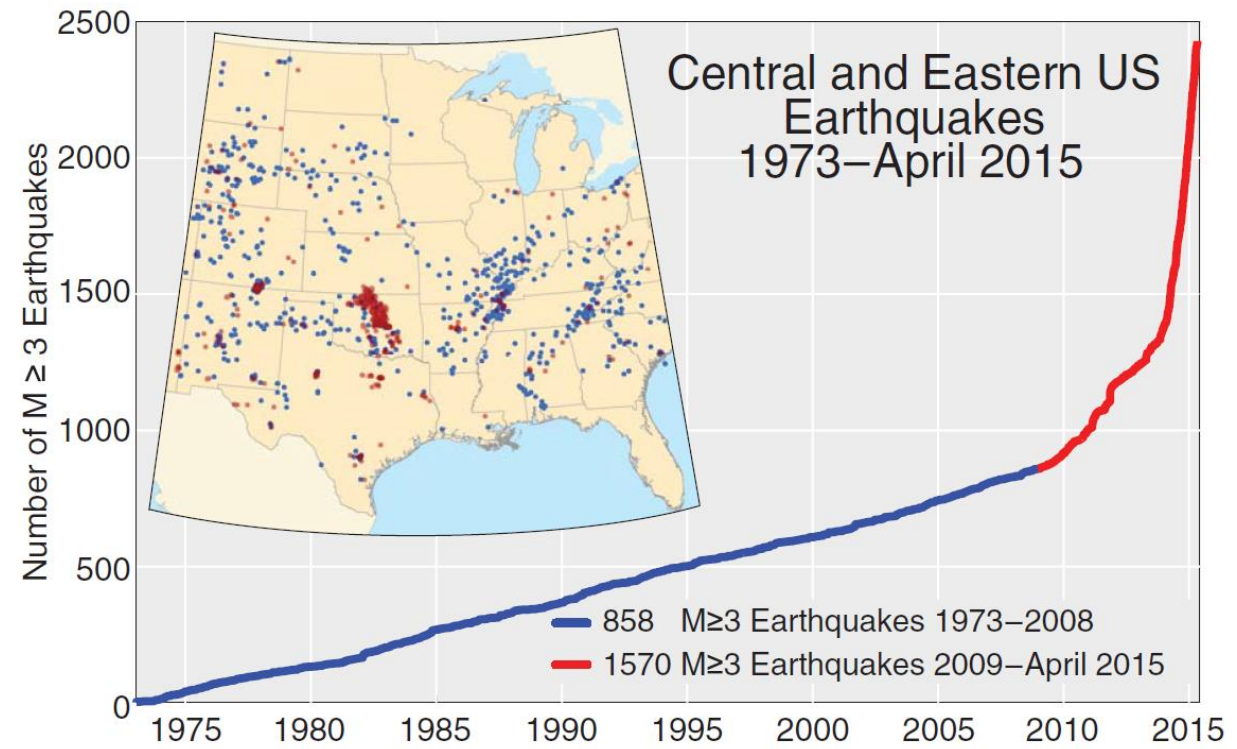


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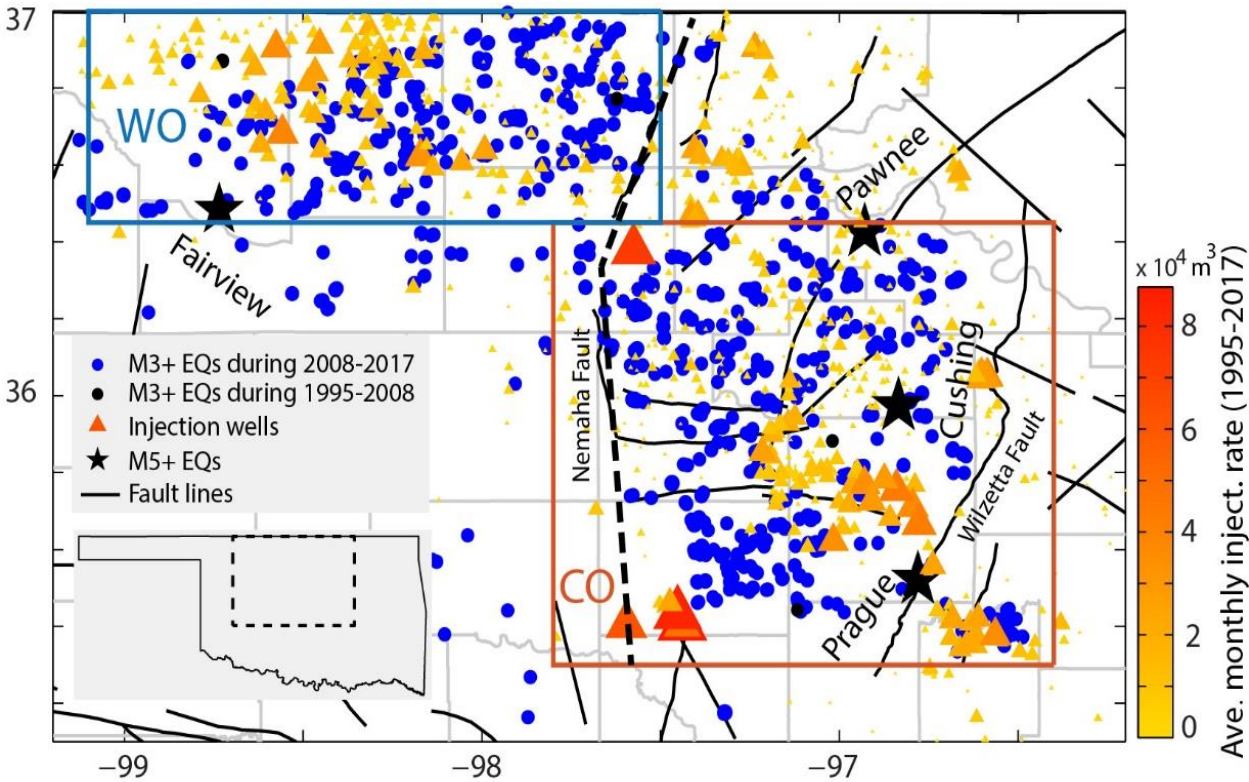
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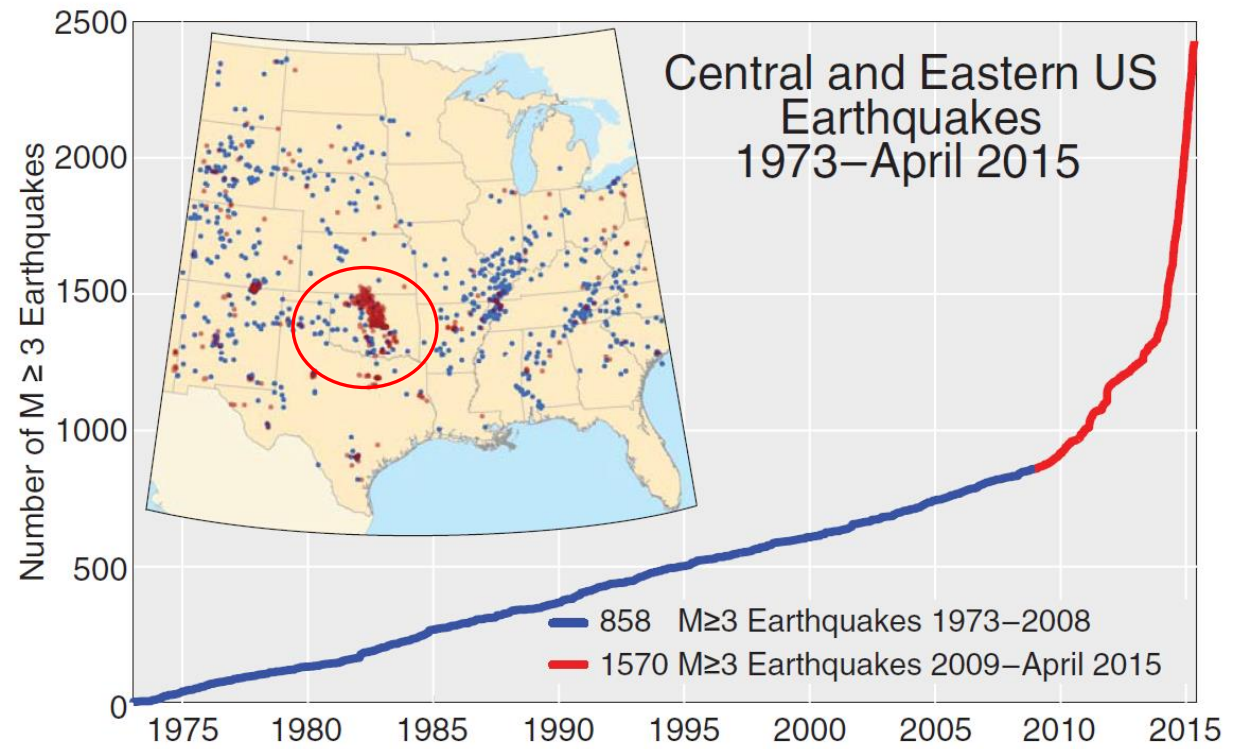


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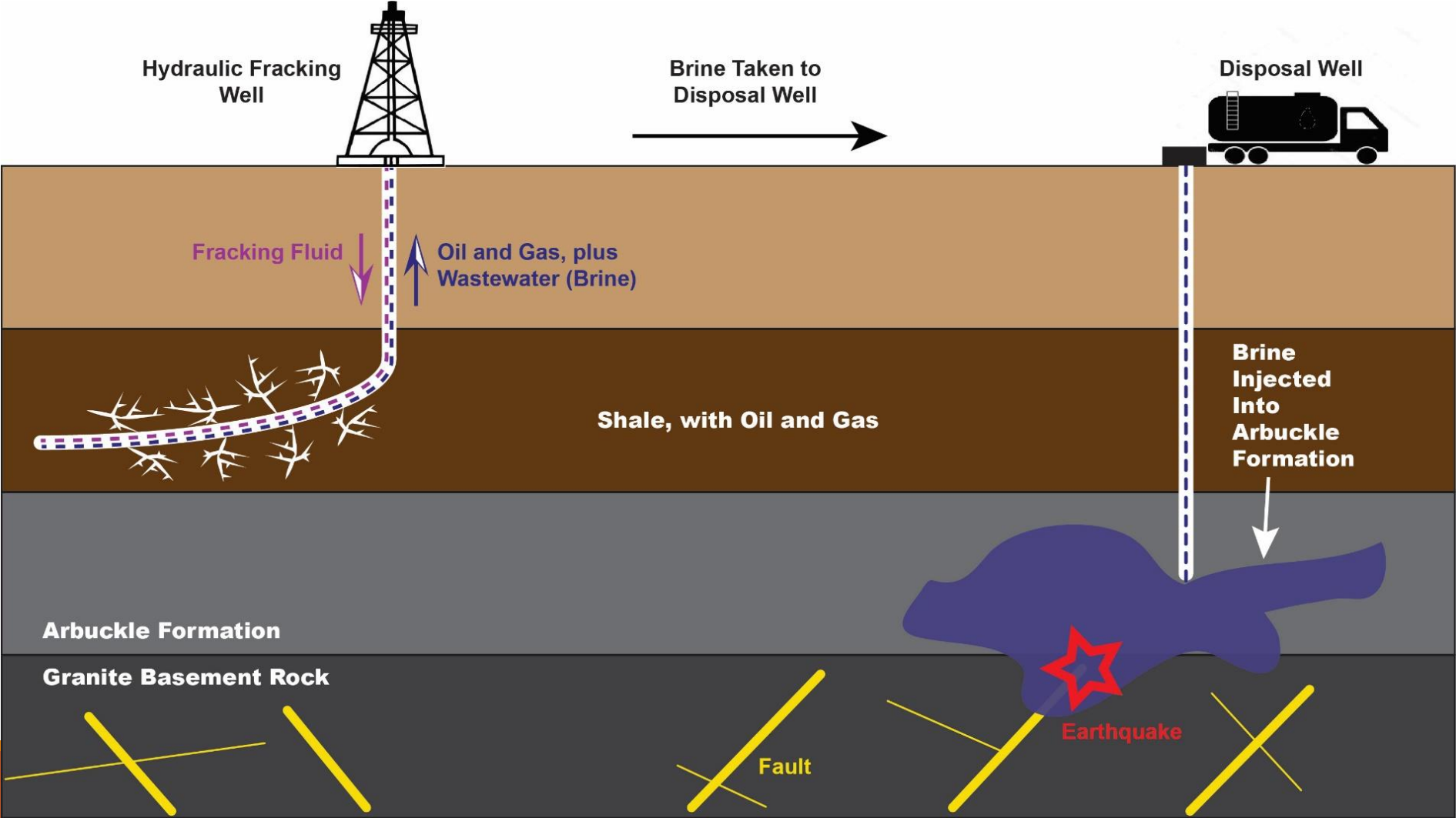


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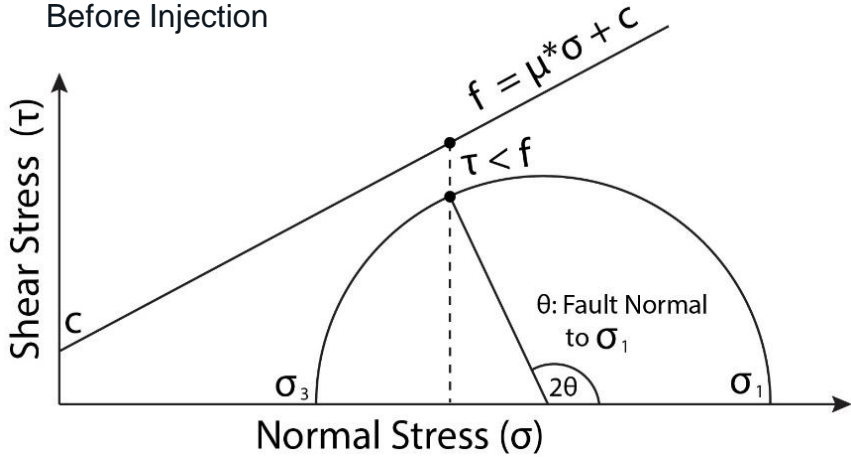


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FRACKING VS WASTEWATER INJECTION

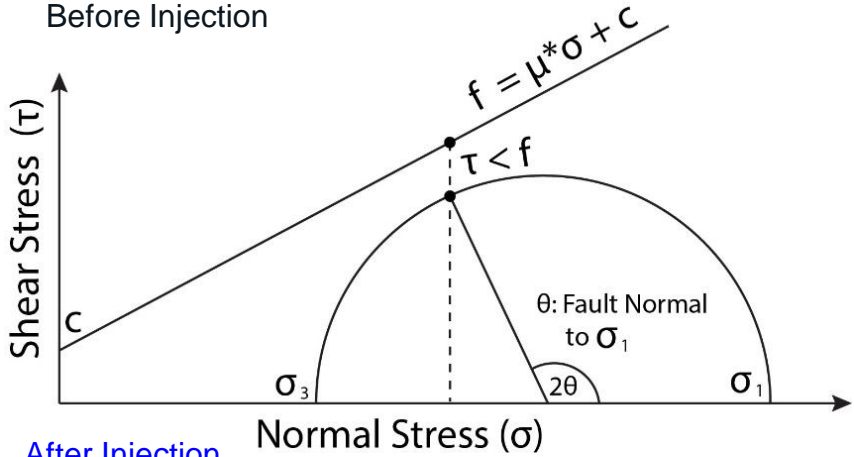


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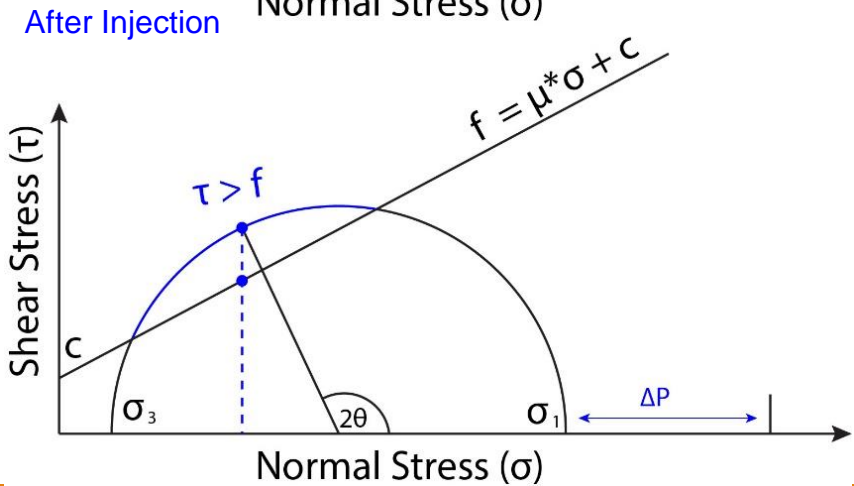


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c: Material Cohesive Strength

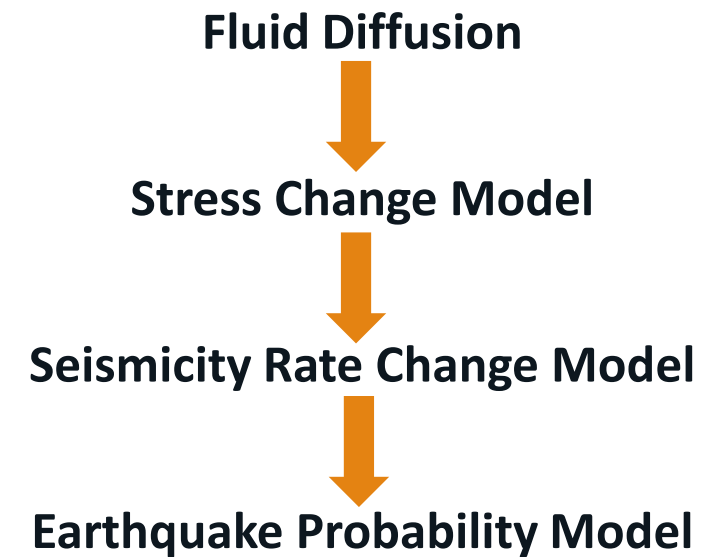
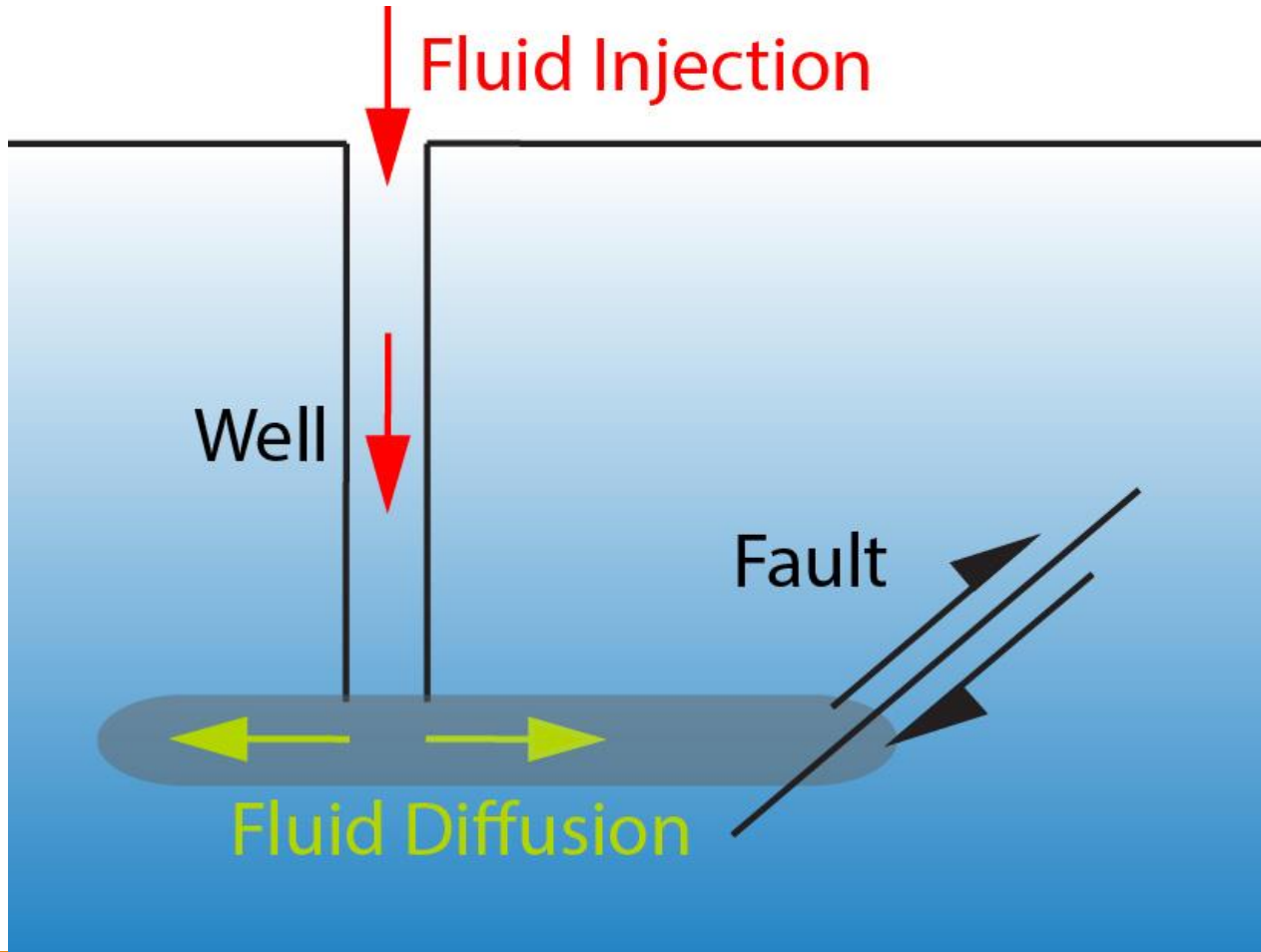
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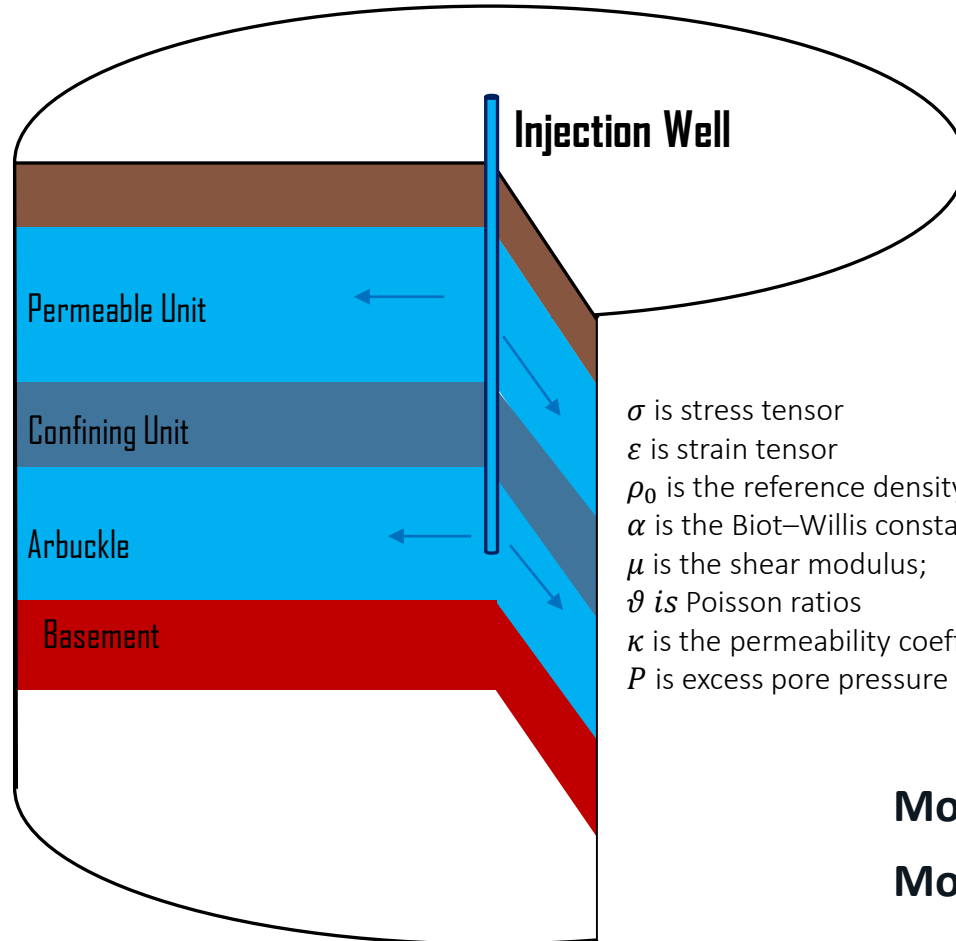
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PHYSICS-BASED INDUCED EARTHQUAKE FORECASTING



STEP1: COUPLED FLOW AND POROELASTIC MODEL



Rice and Cleary (1976)

$$\sigma_{ij} = 2\mu\varepsilon_{ij} + 2\mu\varepsilon_{kk} \frac{\vartheta}{1 - 2\vartheta} \delta_{ij} - \alpha P \delta_{ij}$$

$$q_i = -\rho_0 \kappa \frac{\partial}{\partial X_i} P$$

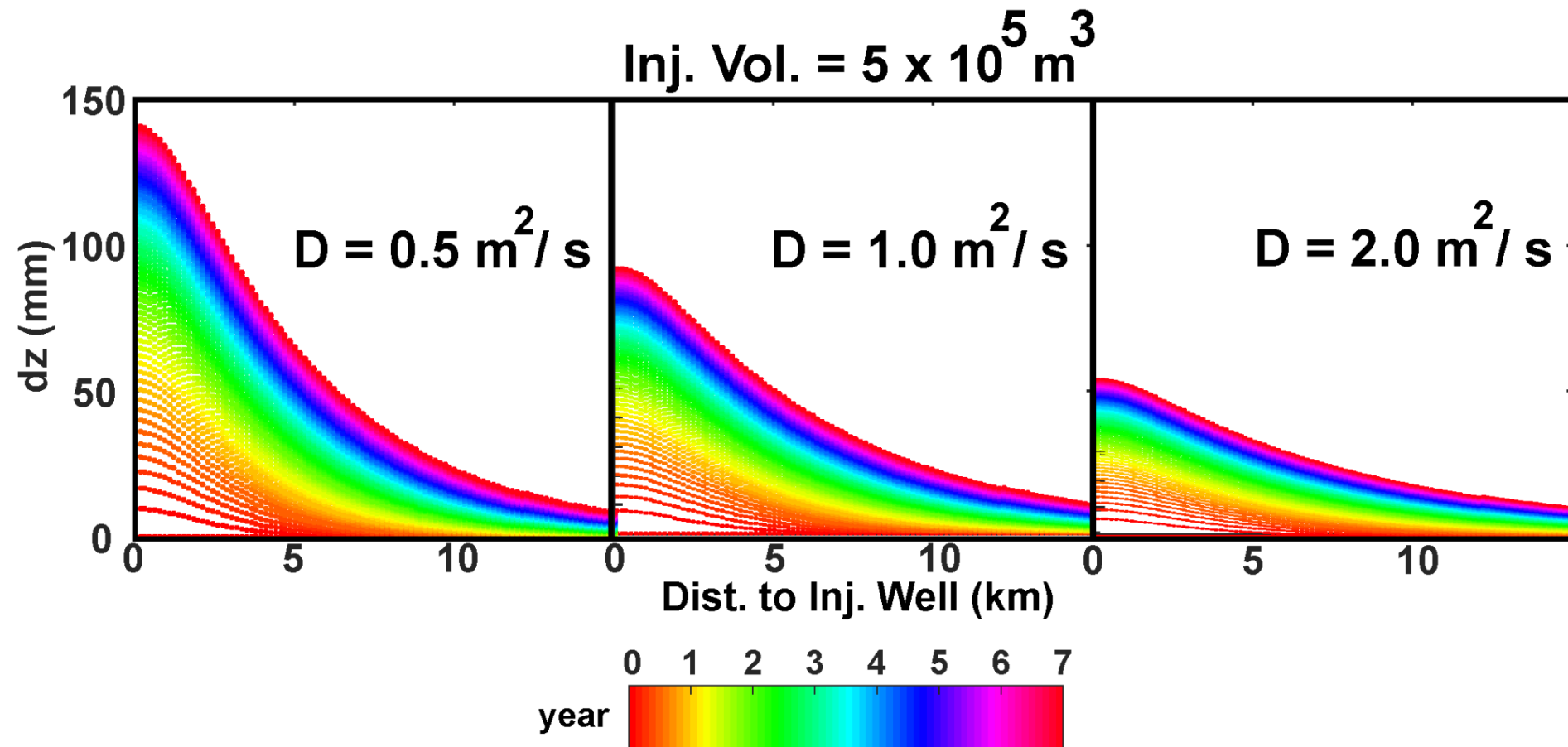
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} m = -\frac{\partial}{\partial X_i} q_i$$

σ is stress tensor
 ε is strain tensor
 ρ_0 is the reference density
 α is the Biot-Willis constant
 μ is the shear modulus;
 ϑ is Poisson ratios
 κ is the permeability coefficient
 P is excess pore pressure

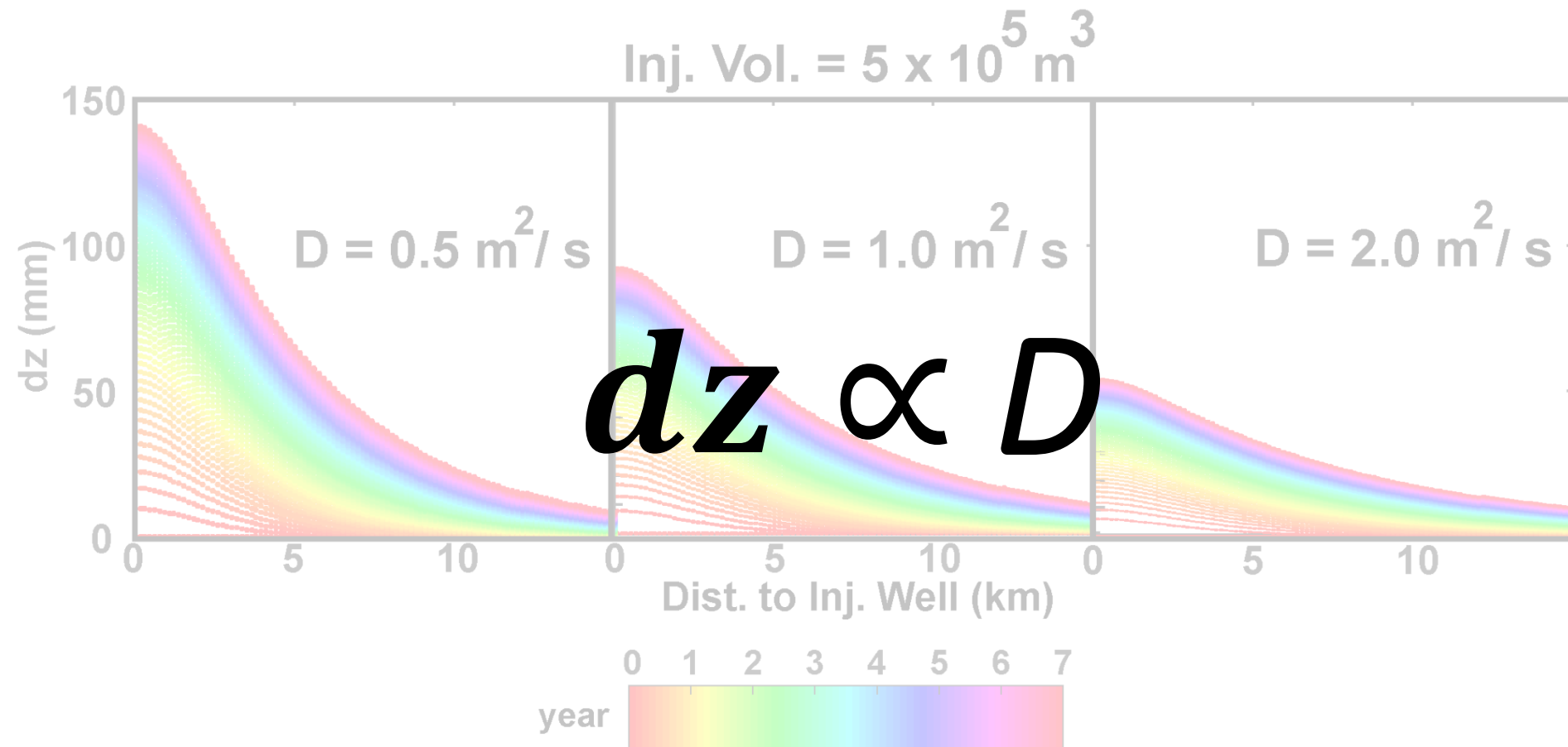
Model Input: Time series of volumetric injection rates

Model Output: Pore pressure and Poroelastic stresses

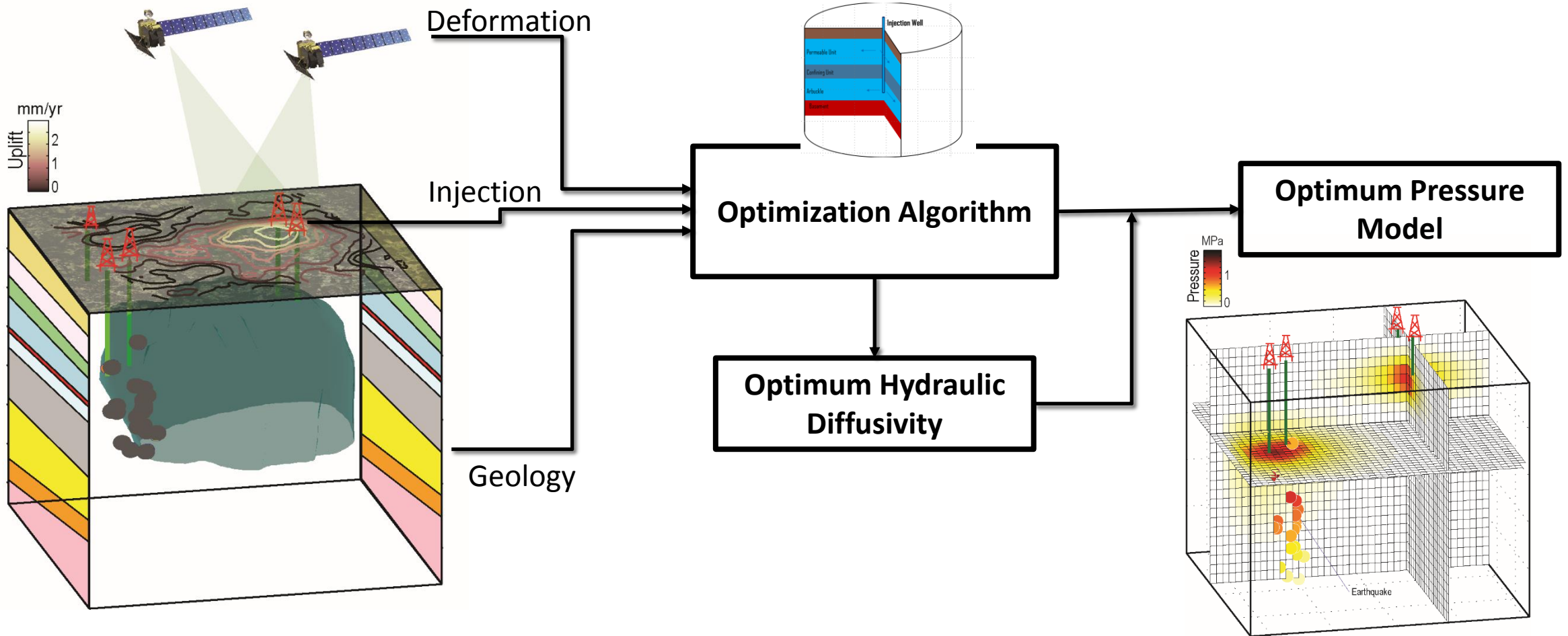
CONSTRAINING HYDROLOGICAL PROPERTIES



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STEP2: SEISMICITY RATE MODEL

$$\frac{dR}{dt} = \frac{R\dot{\tau}_0}{A\bar{\sigma}} \left(\frac{\dot{\tau}}{\dot{\tau}_0} - R \right)$$

$$\dot{\tau} = \Delta\tau / \Delta t$$

Poroelastic Stress

Pore Pressure

$$\Delta\tau = (\Delta\tau_s + \mu\Delta\sigma) + \mu\Delta p$$

[After Dieterich 1994]

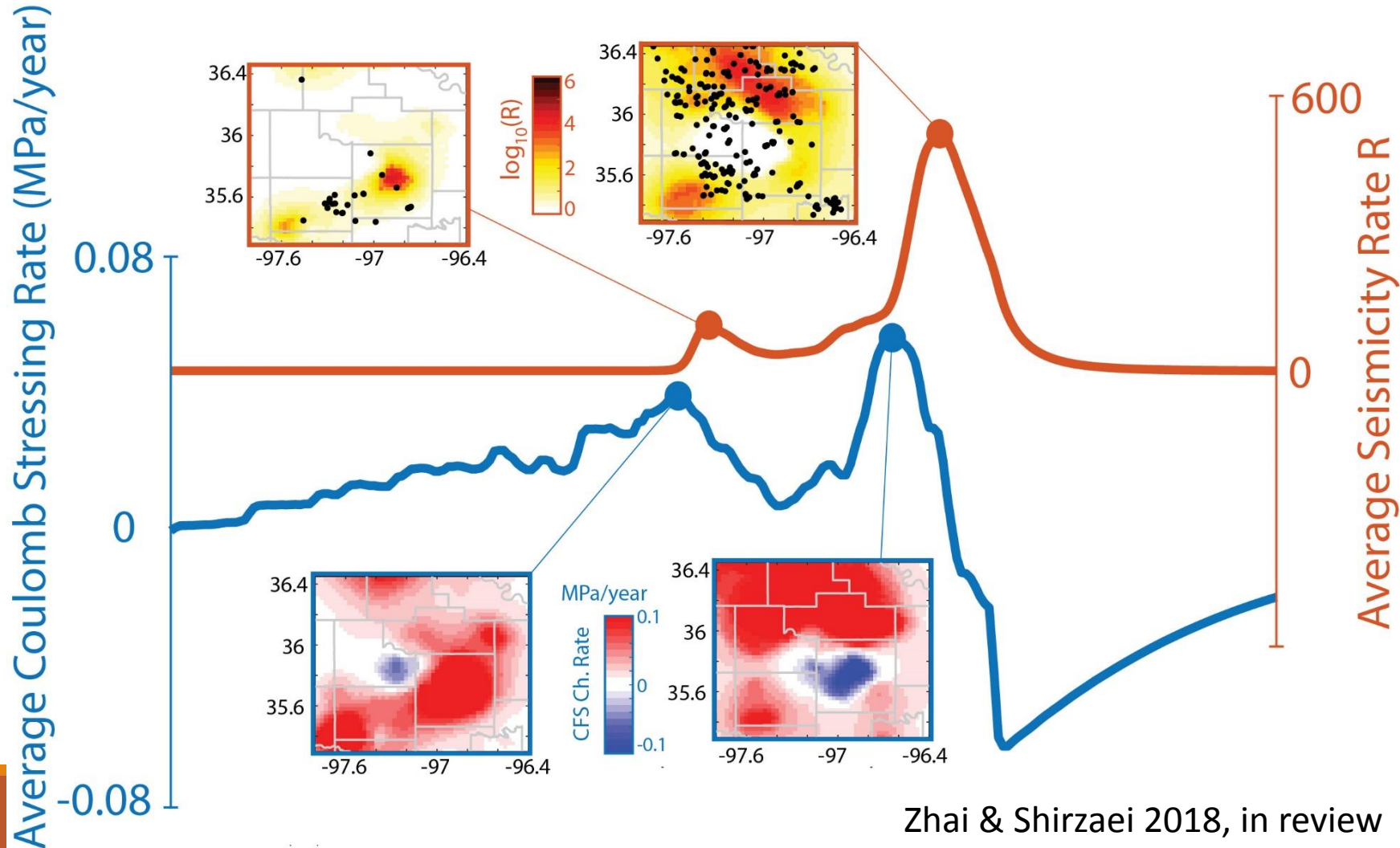
μ : Coefficient of Friction

$\dot{\tau}_0$: Background Stressing Rate
 $\bar{\sigma}$: Effective Normal Stress
 A : Rate-State Parameter

Model Input: Pore pressure and Poroelastic stresses

Model Output (R): Seismicity Rate Relative to Background Rate

STRESS AND SEISMICITY RATE CHANGE FOR OKLAHOMA



STEP3: EARTHQUAKE MAGNITUDE EXCEEDANCE PROBABILITY

$$P_{\geq M}(t_1, t_2, S) = 1 - \exp[-N_{\geq M}(t_1, t_2, S)]$$

Inhomogeneous Poisson
process

$$N_{\geq M}(t_1, t_2, S) = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_S \frac{k 10^{-bM}}{S_0} R(\mathbf{x}, t) d\mathbf{x} dt$$

S_0 : Size of Study Area

b : Slope of GR Law

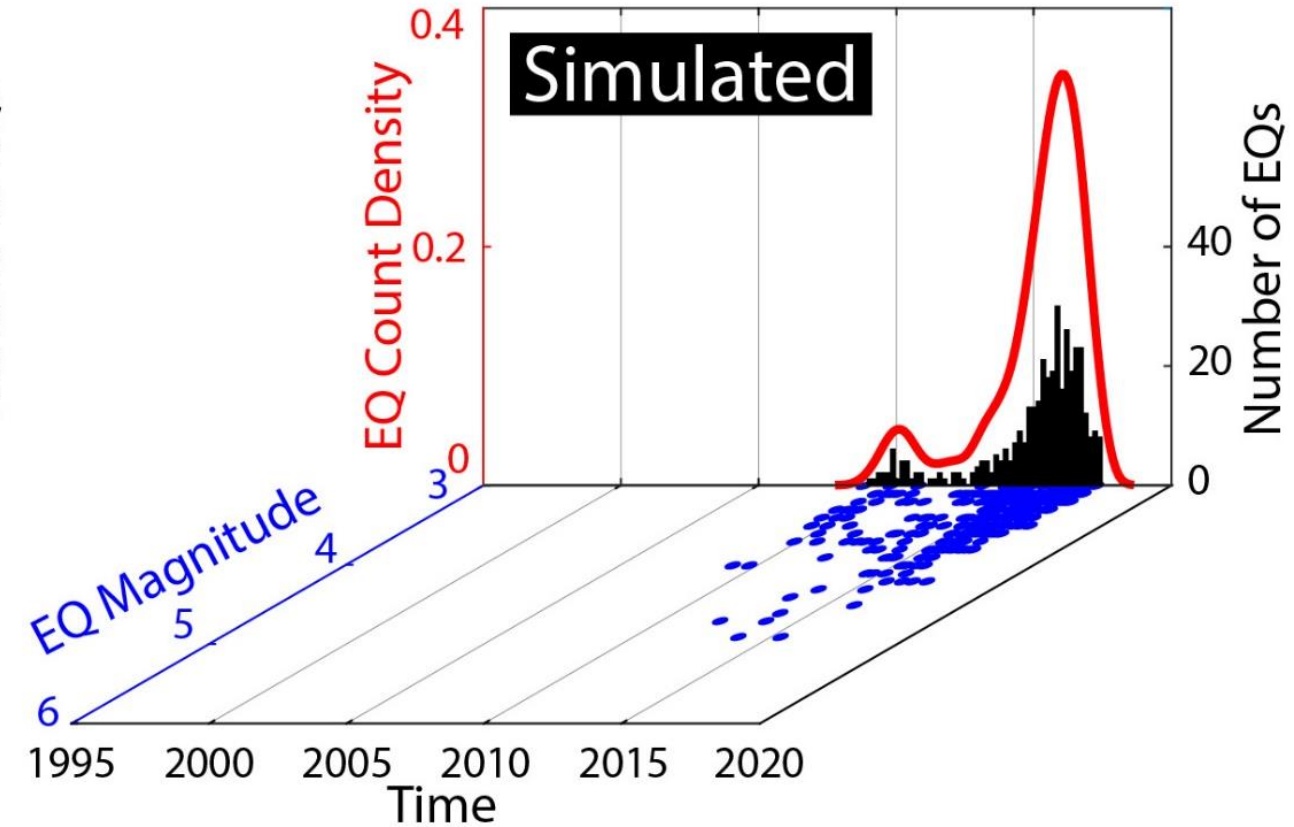
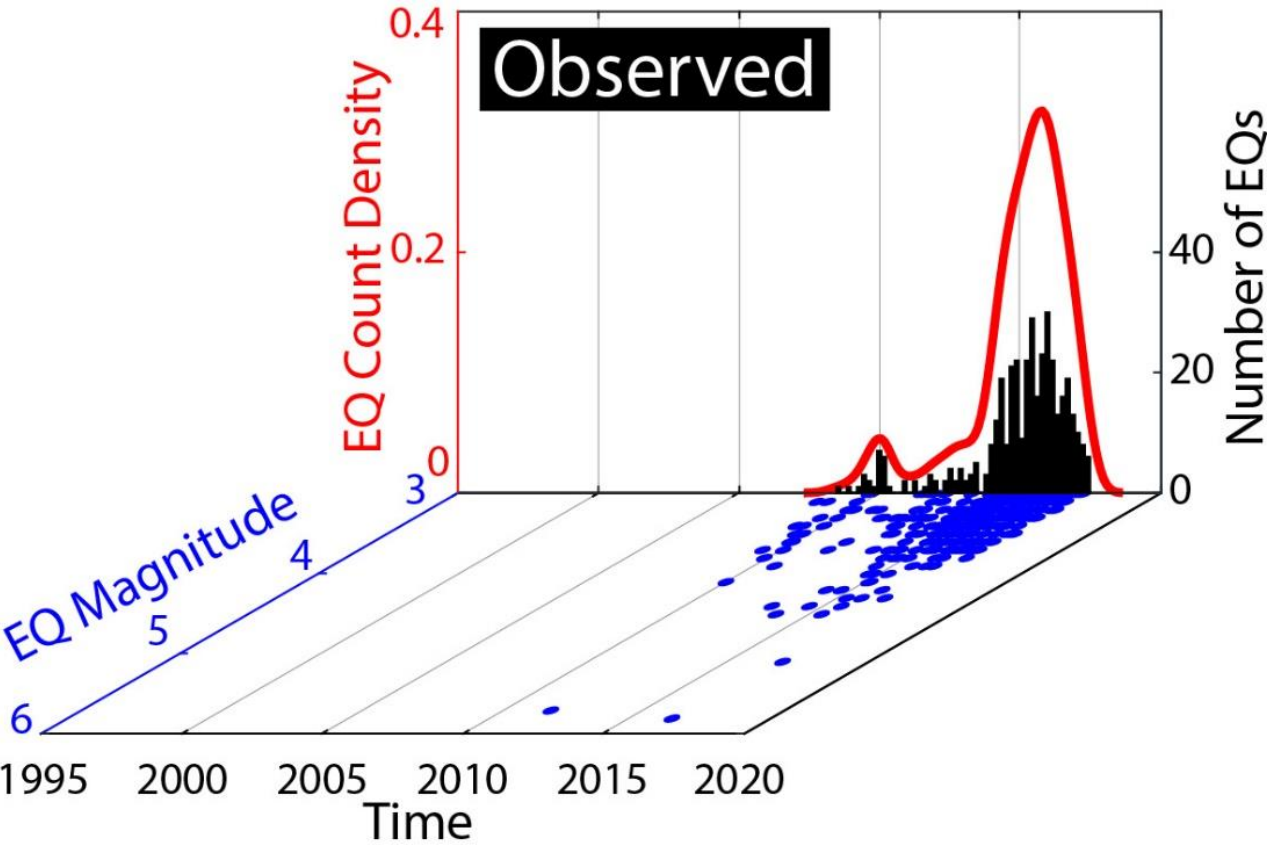
k : Annual Rate of $M \geq 0$ Earthquakes over S_0

Prior to Injection

Model Input: Relative Seismicity Rate R

Model Output: Earthquake Magnitude Exceedance Probability

EARTHQUAKE MAGNITUDE/TIME DISTRIBUTION



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FINAL REMARKS

- A golden era for InSAR has just began, thanks to Sentinel mission (and soon NISAR).
- The more people use InSAR the better is for the business.
- It is time to make available higher level products to public.