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ChEESE: Workflows for Glaciological and Cryospheric hazards

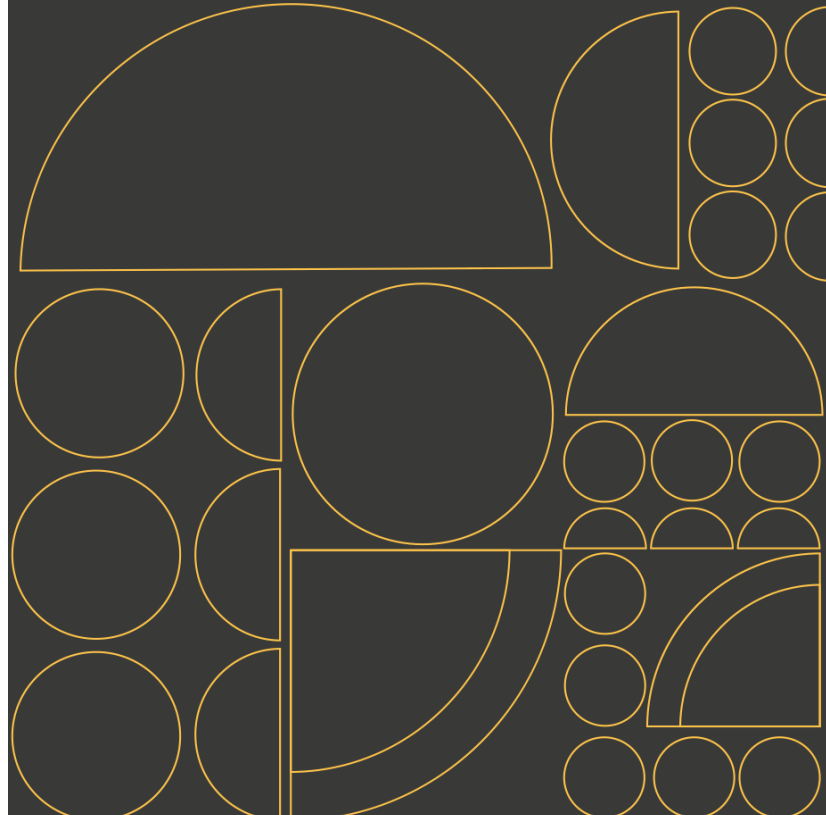
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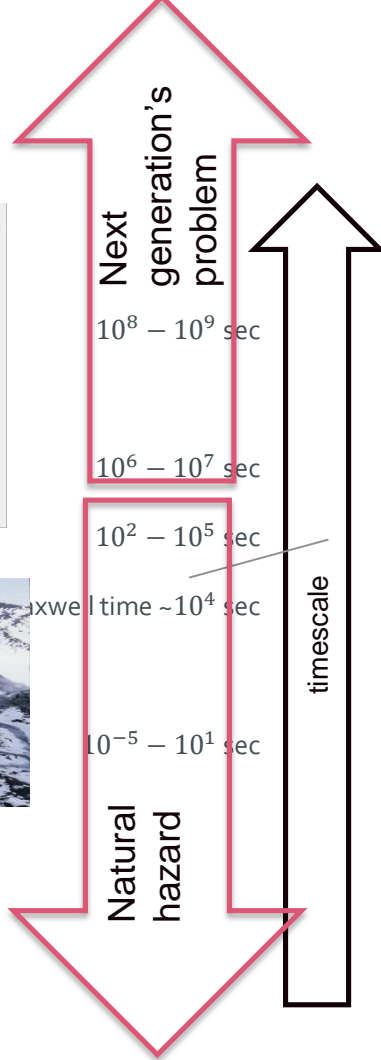
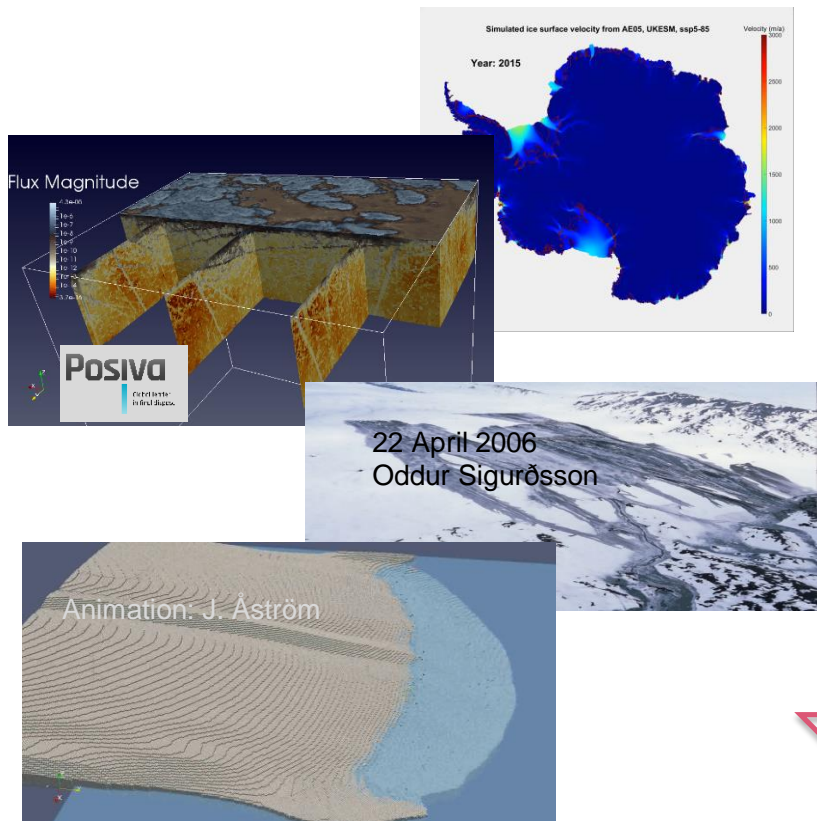
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Glacier Cryospheric Hazards



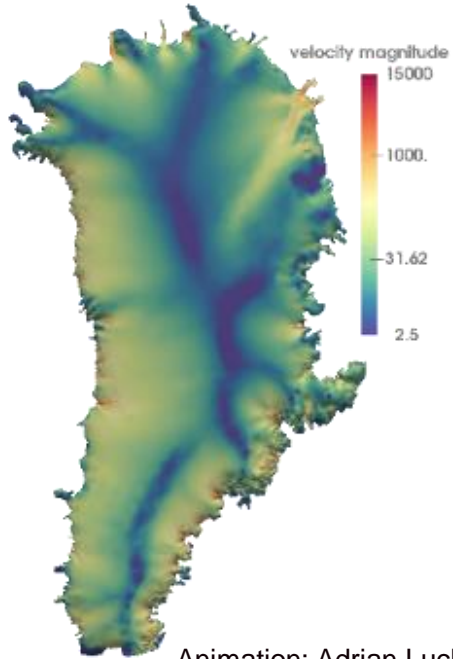
- Sea Level Rise (SLR), Glacial Isostatic Adjustment (GIA)
- Permafrost (nuclear waste repo)
- **Glacier Outburst Floods (GLOFS)**
- **Calving events**
 - Including ice front calving and thereby triggered tsunamis
 - Calving from overhanging glaciers
 - Complete disintegration of glaciers
 - Ice and snow avalanches



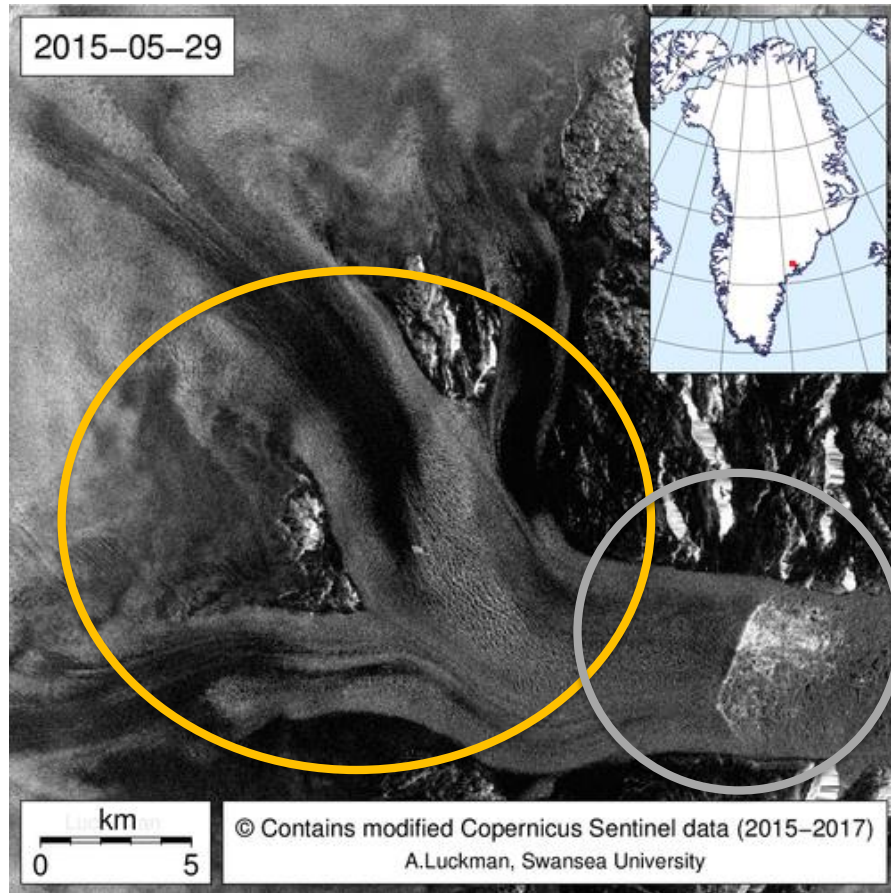
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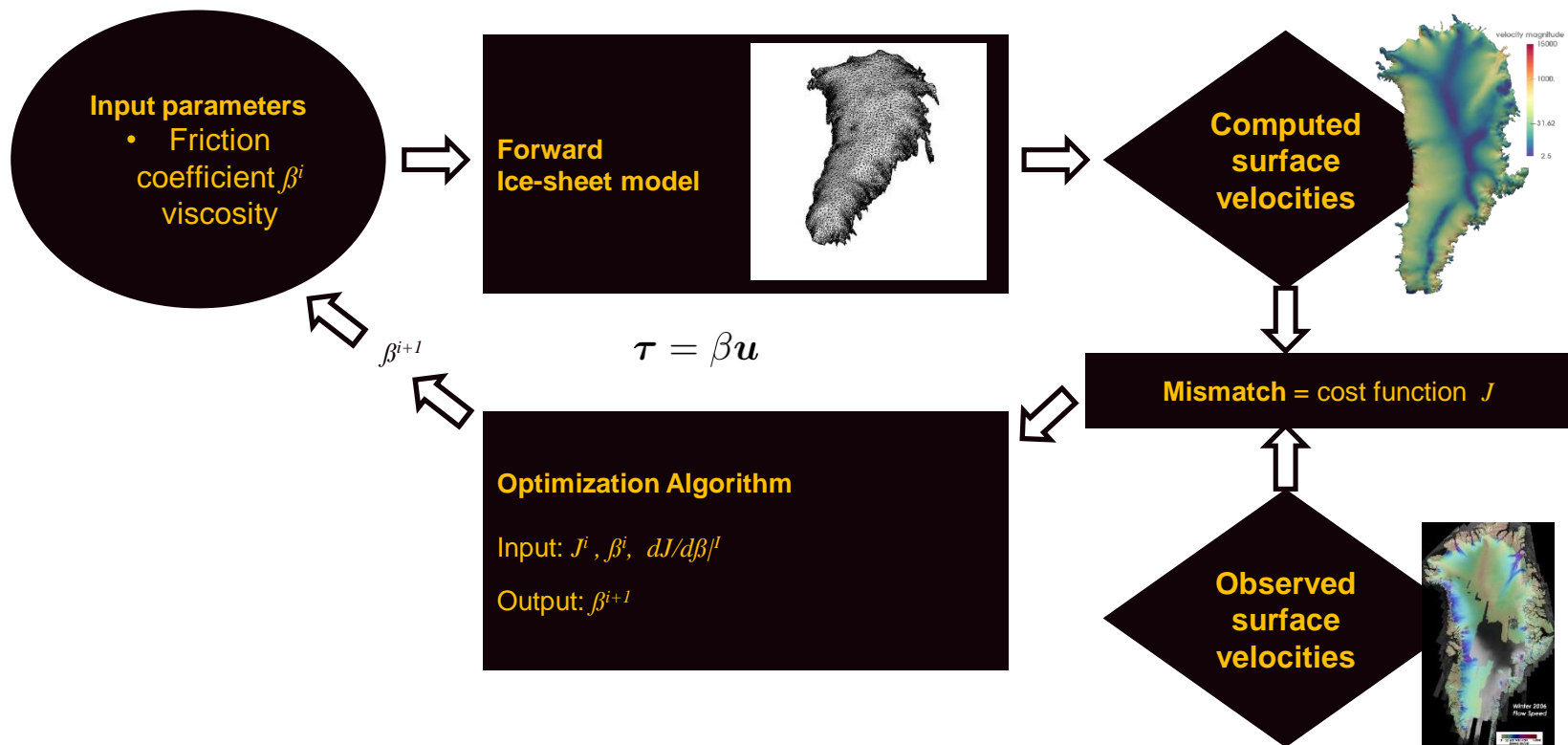
Ice is a fluid
but also a solid



Animation: Adrian Luckman,
Swansea Univ., UK

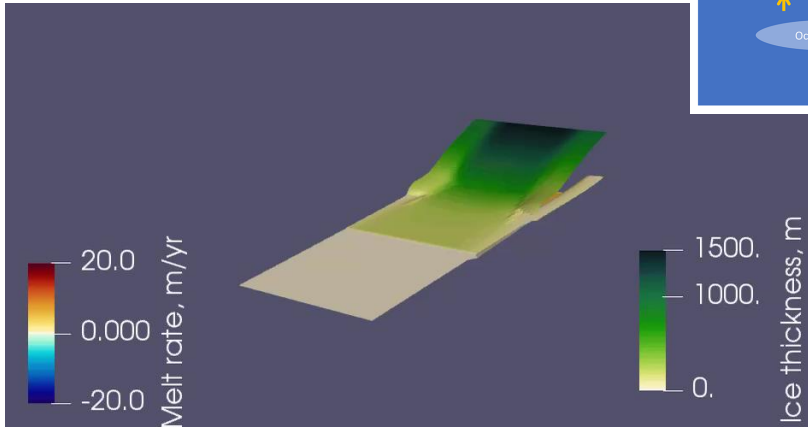
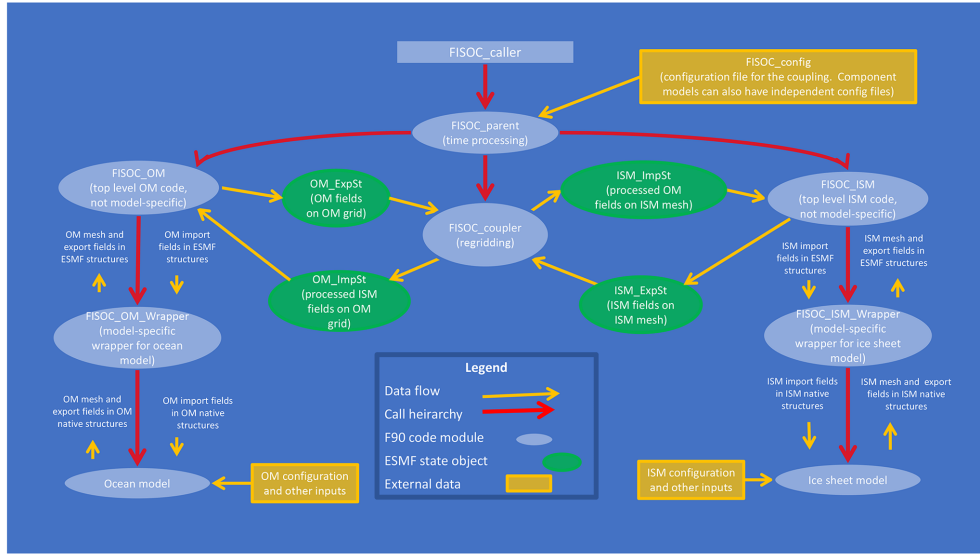


Sea Level Rise: Data Assimilation – Inverse Methods



Sea Level Rise: Ice-ocean Coupling

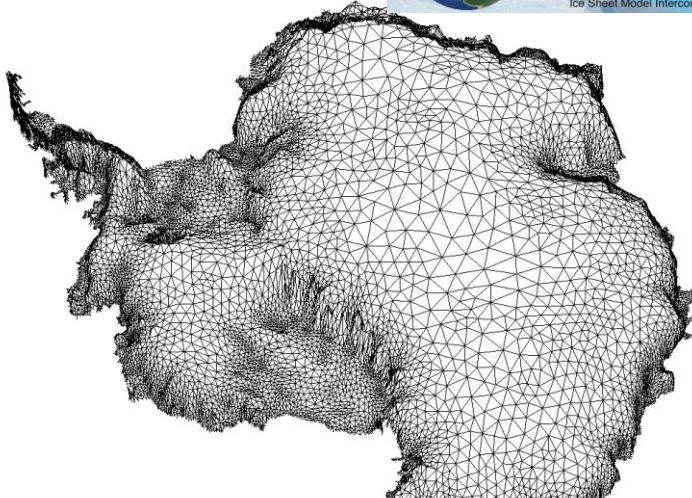
- Framework for Ice Sheet Ocean Coupling (FISOC)
- Based on ESMF (interpolation, meshing routines)



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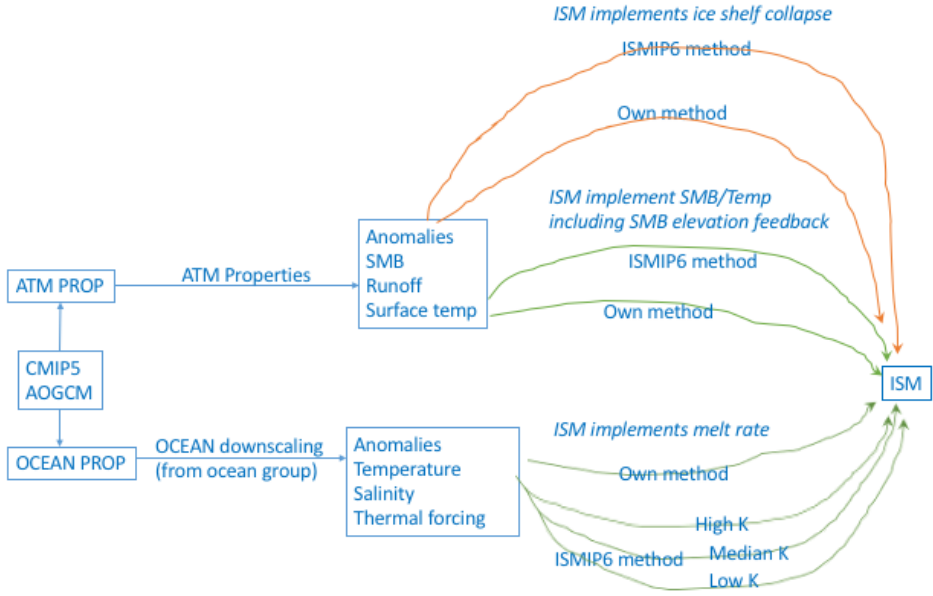


Sea Level Rise



Scenario	Conservative	Risk-averse *)
SSP1-19	13 [0, 28]	30 [12, 56]
SSP1-26	16 [3, 30]	33 [15, 58]
SSP2-45	20 [7, 35]	38 [20, 63]
NDCs (Paris)	25 [11, 40]	42 [25, 67]
SSP3-70	27 [13, 41]	44 [27, 70]
SSP5-85	30 [16, 46]	48 [30, 75]

SLR in cm until the end of this century



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Glacier Hazards: Calving (SC in ChEESE2)

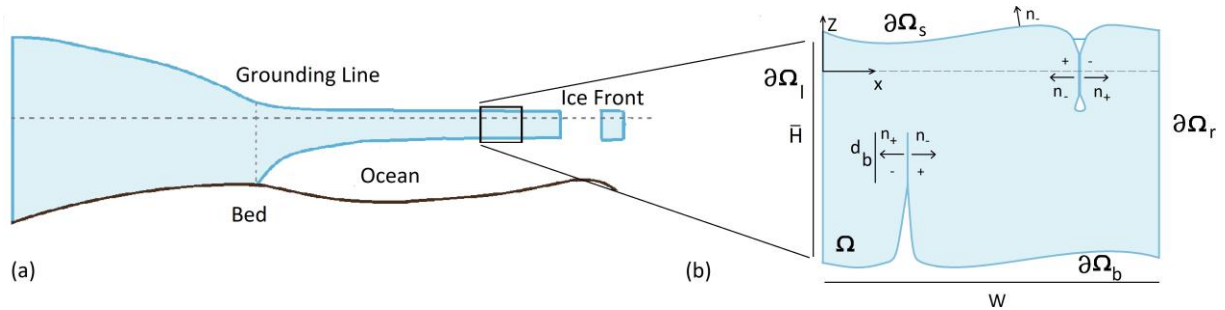
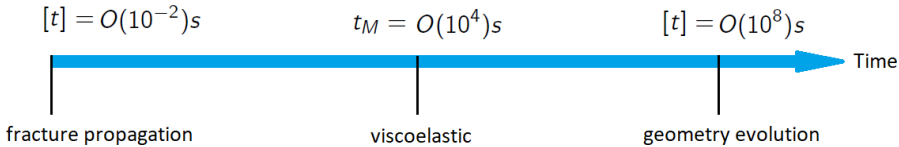


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Calving processes

Time scale separation:



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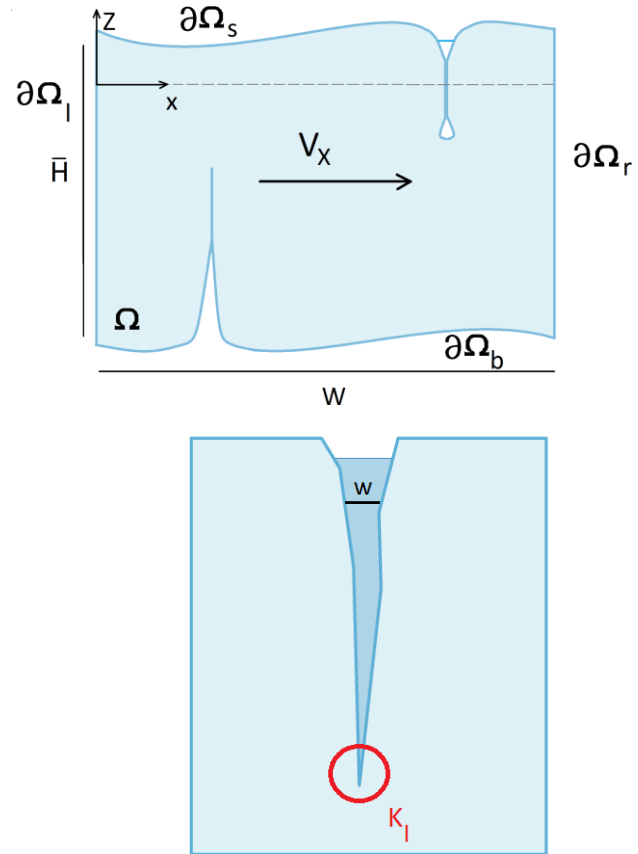
Calving processes

- **Elastic model** (GNU-Octave) computing crack propagation based on intensity factor (below Maxwell time)
- **Viscous model** (Elmer/Ice) computes the geometry change and provides updated stress-field

$K_I = K_{Ic} \Rightarrow$ crack propagates

$$\dot{d} = \max\left(-\frac{K_{I,stat} - K_{Ic}}{K_{Ic}K'(0)}, 0\right)$$

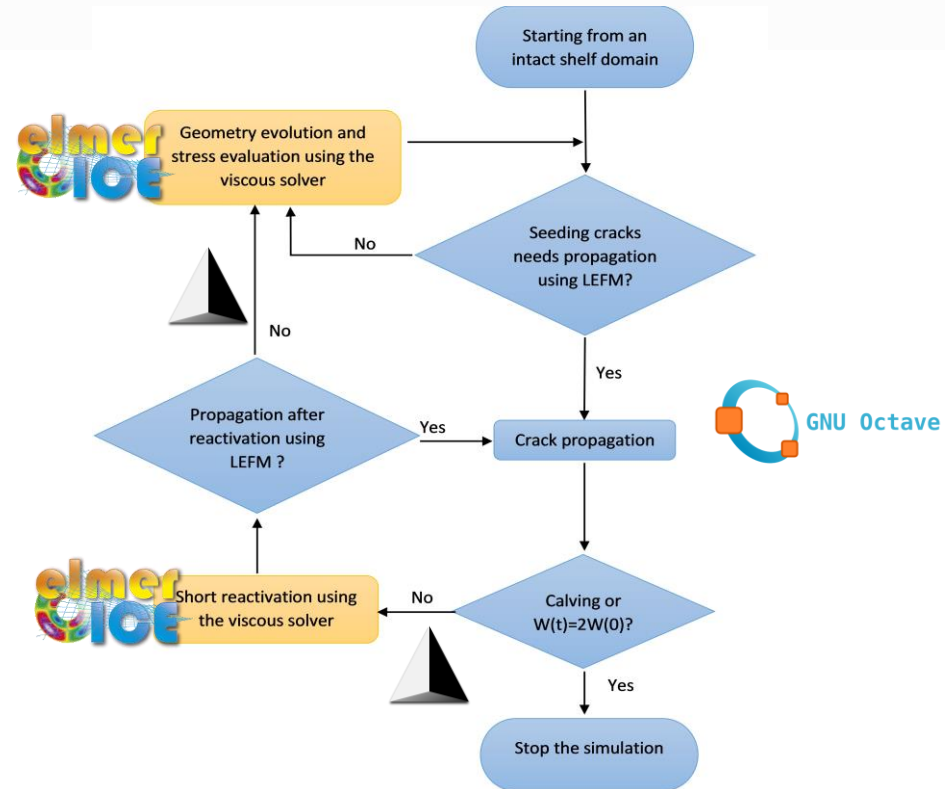
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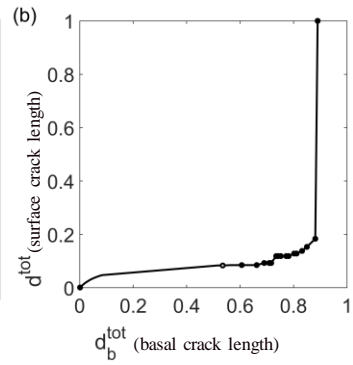
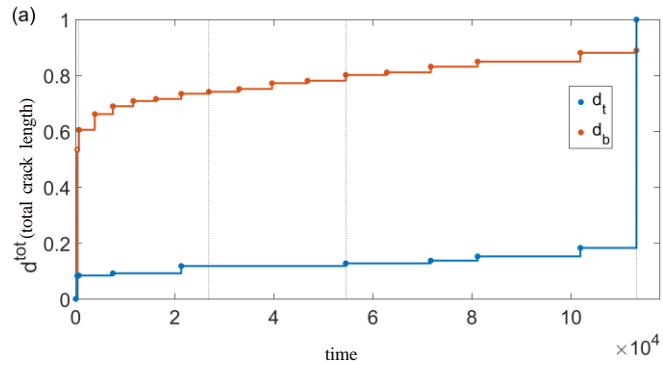
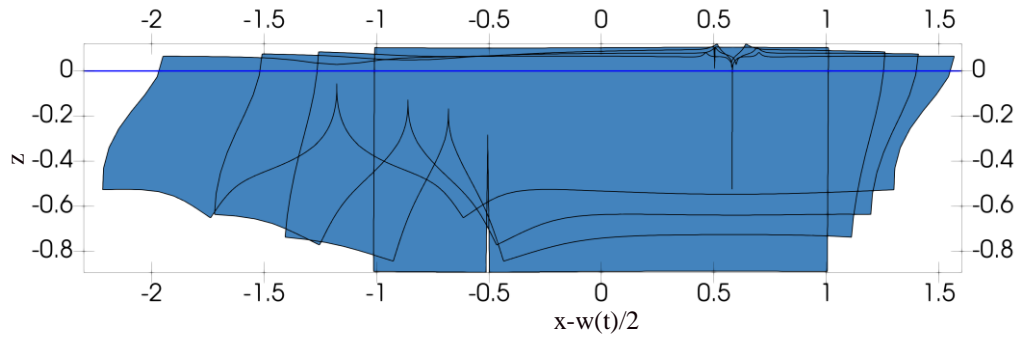
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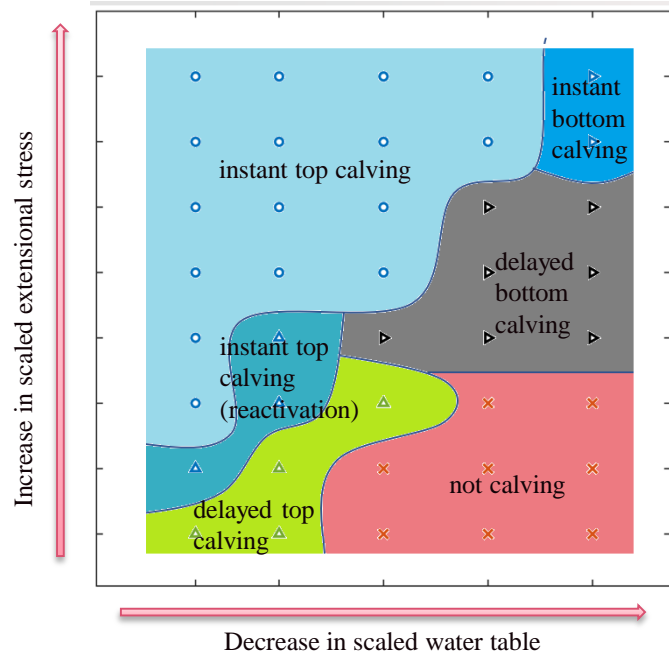


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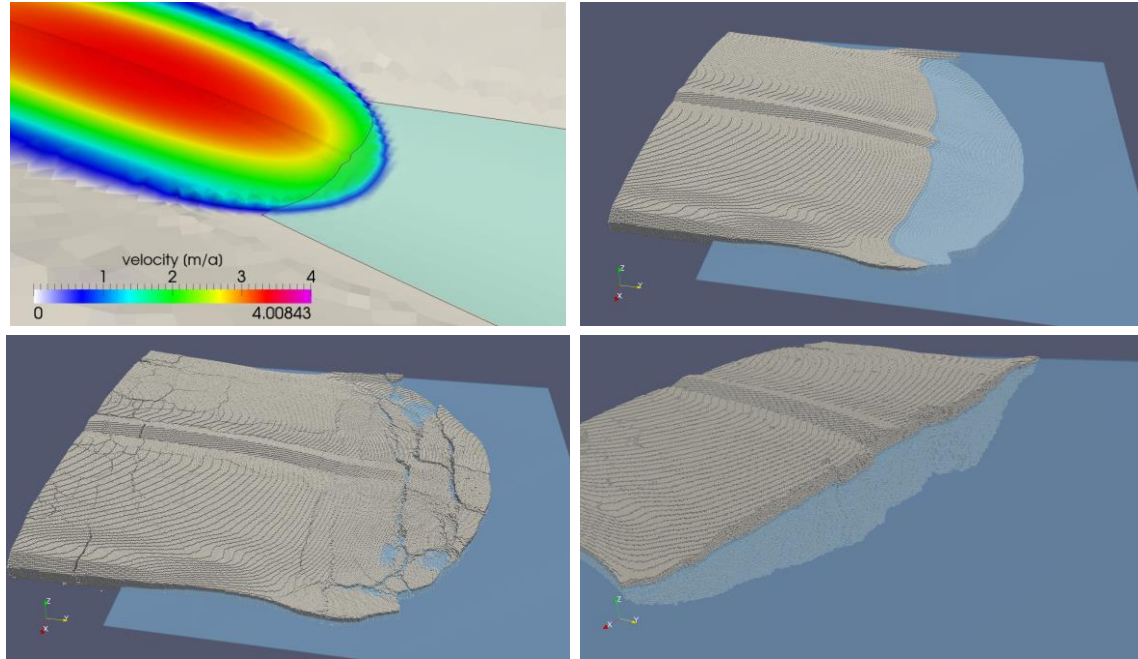


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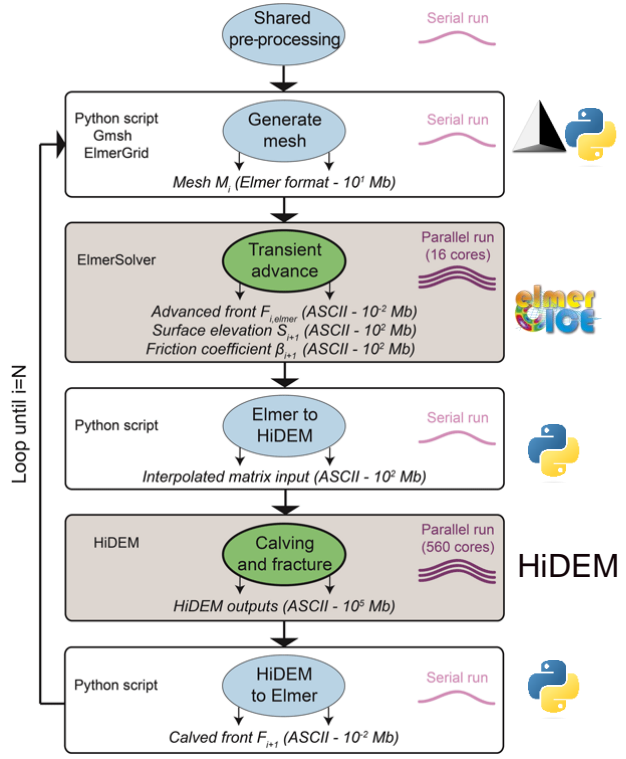
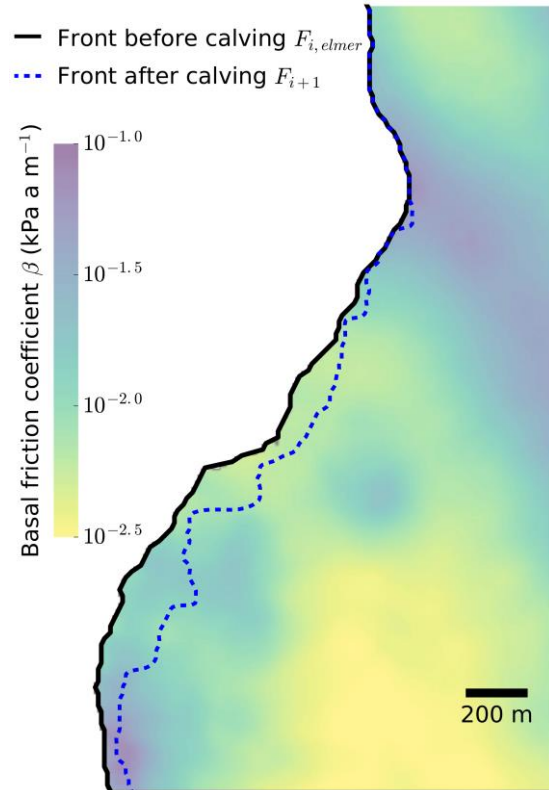
- Coupling between Elmer/Ice and HiDEM (discrete particle model)



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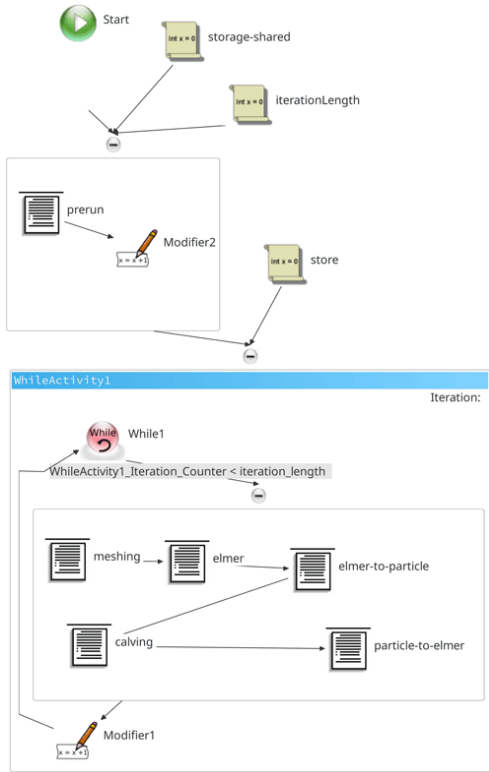
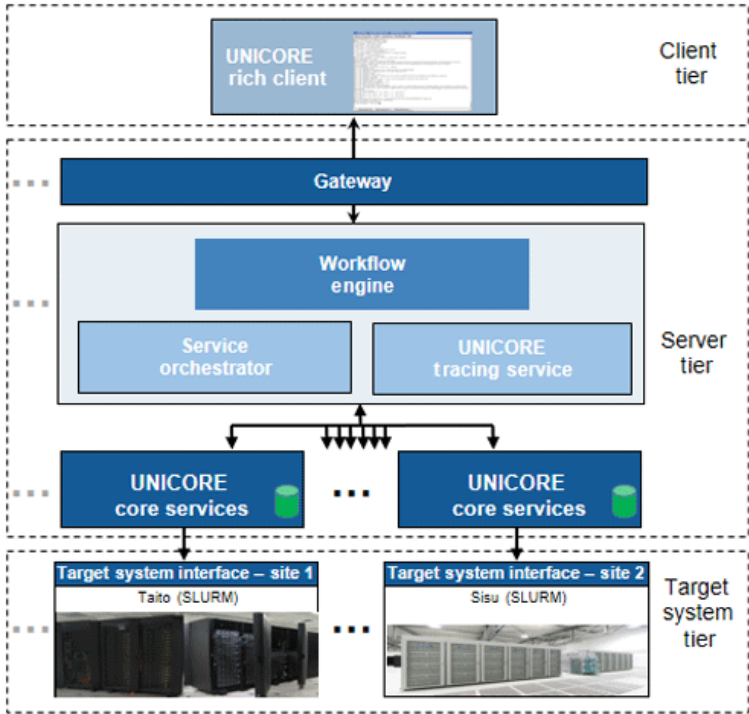
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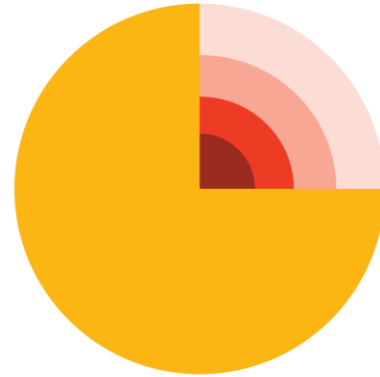
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Glacier Hazards: Glacial Ouburst Floods (GLOFs) real-time simulation (input from Tómas Jòhannesson, IMO)



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GLOFS: Jökulhlaups Conceptional model



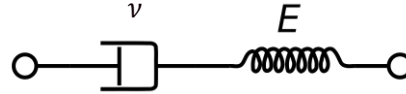
- Increased volcanic activity melts ice and creates **highly elevated subglacial lake**
- The initial subglacial flood path is created by the **passage a localized wave of over-pressure** followed by lower pressure that leads to rapid lifting and subsequent partial lowering.
- The glacier **is initially lifted** and accelerated downslope over a several-km wide area.
- The flood path **subsequently develops conduits** through the traditional melt-discharge feedback analyzed by Nye (1976).
- Rapid inflow into the floodpath, for example during subglacial eruptions may lead to very rapid propagation of the flood wave down the glacier bed.

See Einarsson et al. (2016). A spectrum of jökulhlaup dynamics revealed by GPS measurements of glacier surface motion. *Ann. Glaciol.*, **57**(16).



GLOFS: Conceptual model

- Visco-elastic Maxwell model



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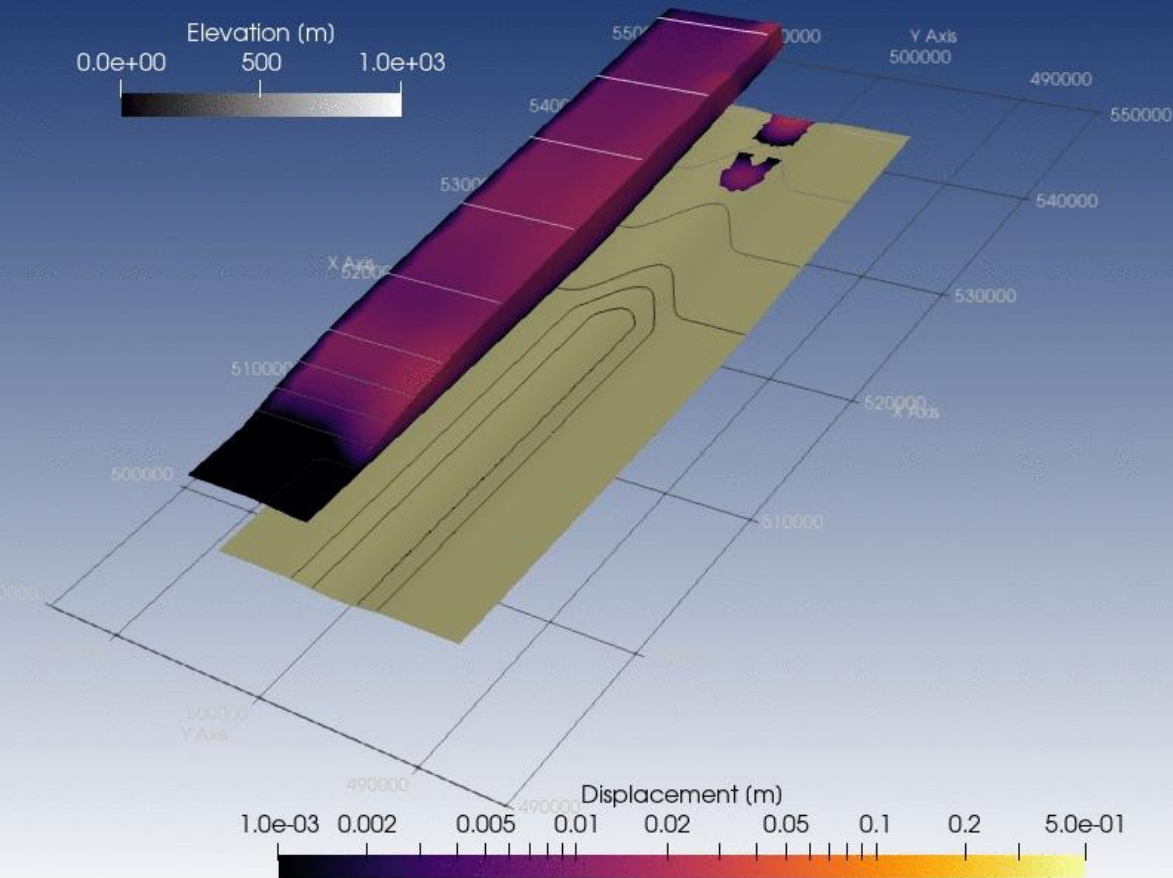
$$\frac{\partial \tau}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial \tau_0}{\partial t} - \frac{\mu}{\nu} (\tau - \Pi \mathbf{1})$$

- Introduction of visco-elastic stress (Wu, 2004)

$$\tau_0 = \Pi \mathbf{1} + 2\mu \epsilon$$

- At the same time, we introduce pressure Π to enable incompressibility
- Viscosity, ν , expressed as shear thinning (Glen) using time derivatives of deformation (strain)
- “Contact problem” solving variational inequality by Elmer-library





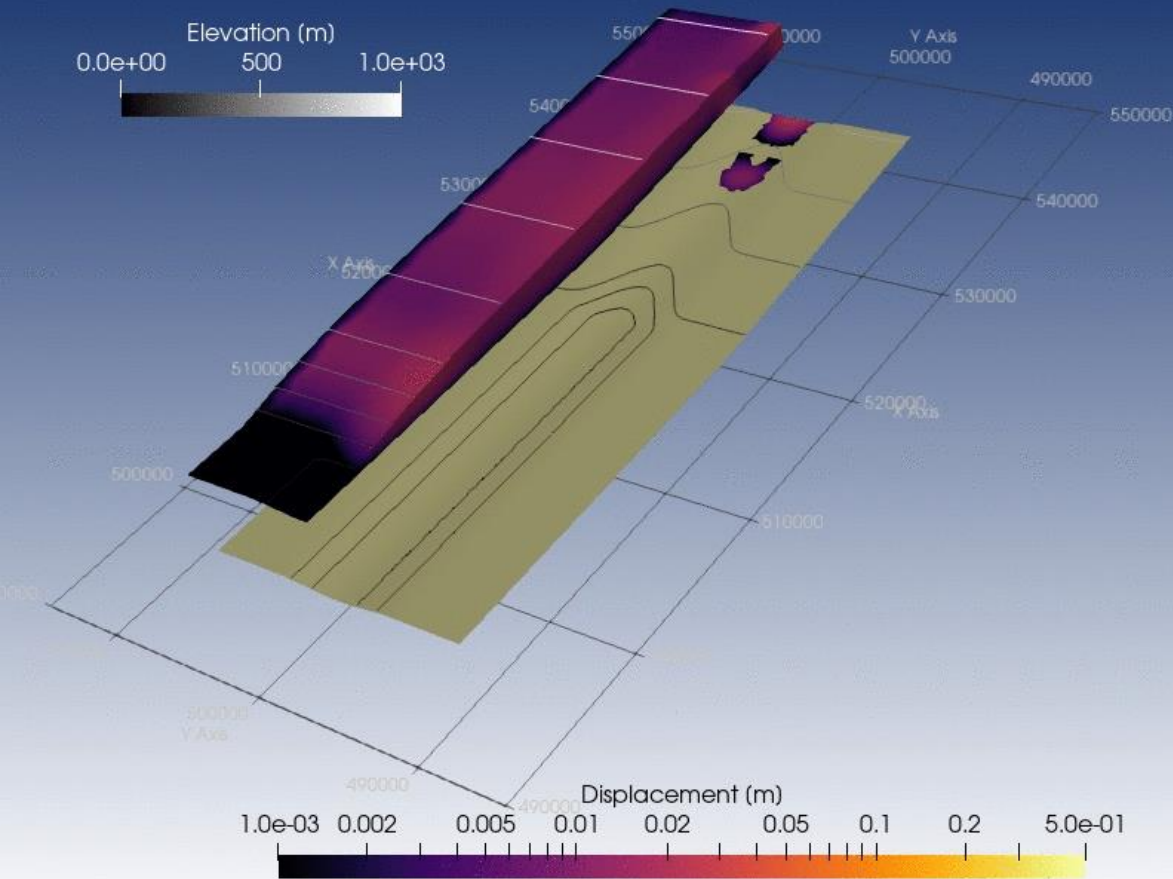
Numerical model

- The overall dimensions of the model are based on the geometry of Skaftárjökull outlet glacier and the flood path of jökulhlaups in river Skaftá.
- A 50-m deep, smooth depression in the bottom topography represents a subglacial valley along which the flood travels.
- The pressure disturbance is ~ 3000 m long and ~ 2000 m wide, with a +200 kPa (over)pressure near the tip that decreases linearly to a -50 kPa (under)pressure with respect to overburden at the back, extending upstream as far as the pressure bulge has travelled.

Zwinger et al. (2020)



Time: 0.0 h



Numerical model

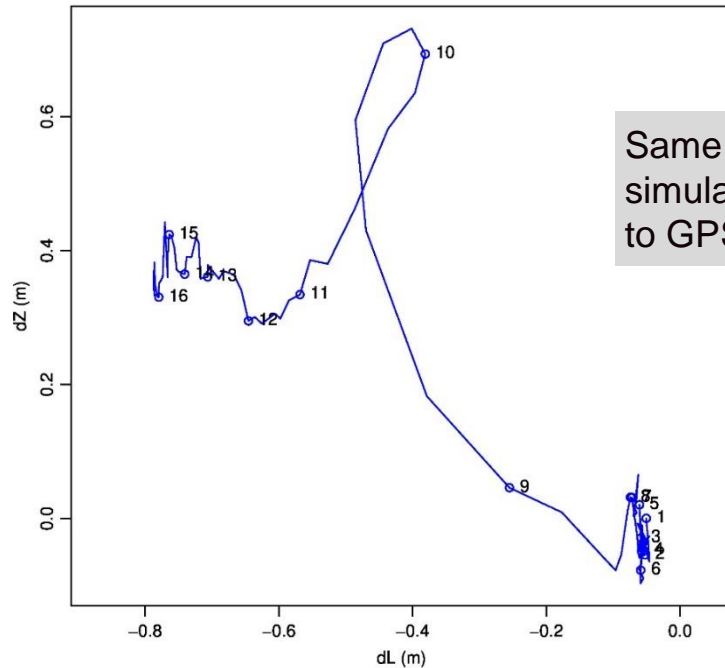
- Elmer FE-modelling environment
- Visco-elastic glacier model with Glen's flow-law viscosity combined with linear elasticity.
- Contact problem implementation to represent the time-dependent development of the subglacial cavity filled by flood water.
- The current model under development computes the response of the glacier to a prescribed pressure disturbance that travels downglacier.
- A planned further development will couple a thin-sheet model component based on the Reynolds equation for fluid flow in a shallow or thin enclosure with Manning friction with the glacier model.

Zwinger et al. (2020)



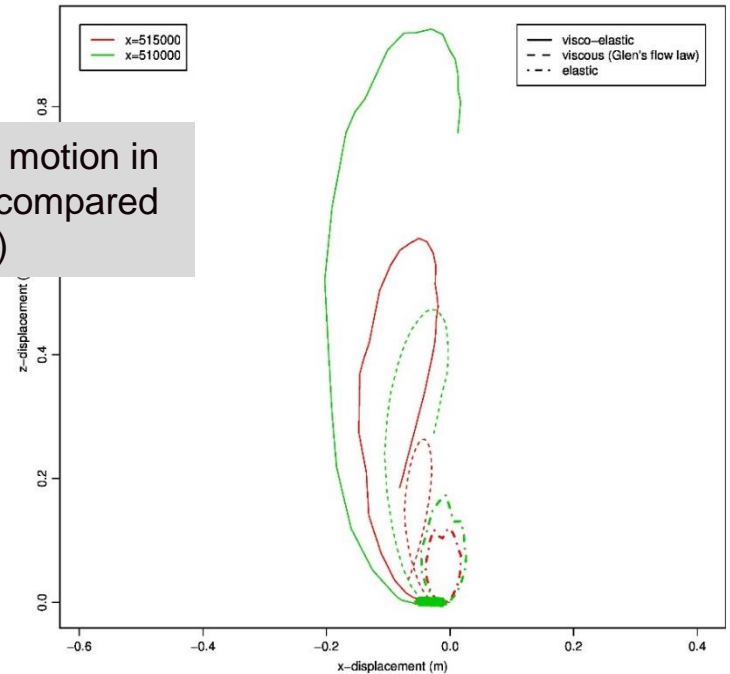
Passage of the simulated subglacial flood front; comparison with the October 2008 flood

GPS-station D3 – 10/11 October 2008 – dL/dZ track

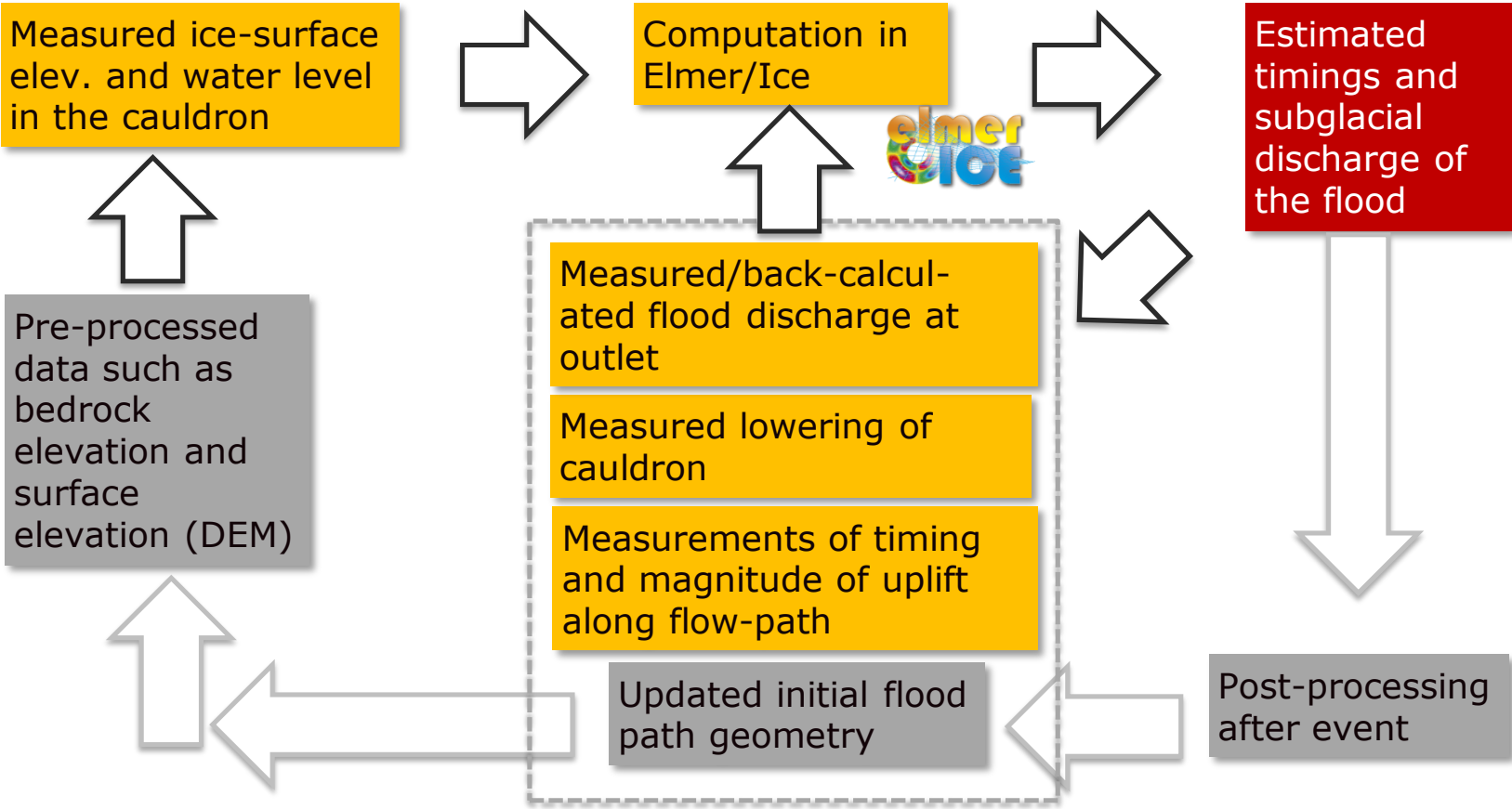


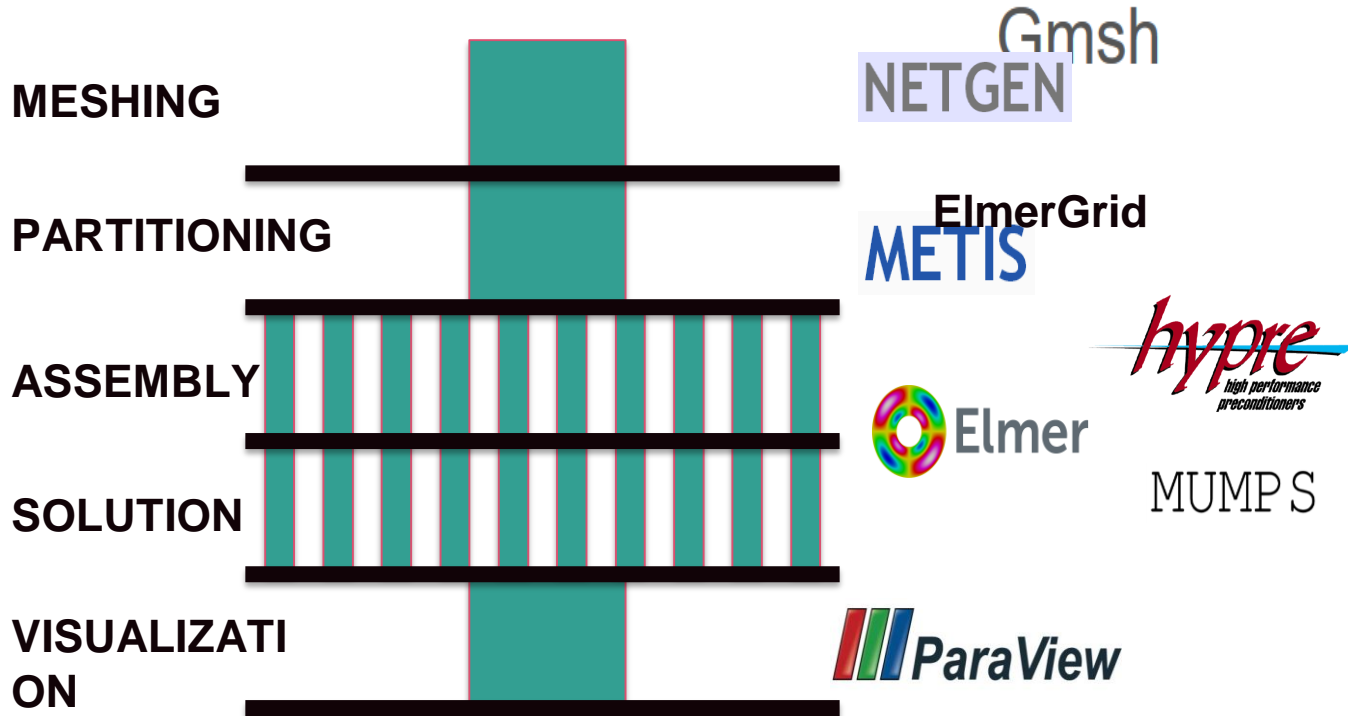
Same somersault motion in simulation (right) compared to GPS signal left)

x-z track for a moving pressure pulse, 200–50kPa, x_r=3000m, y_r=2000m, d_l=2500m

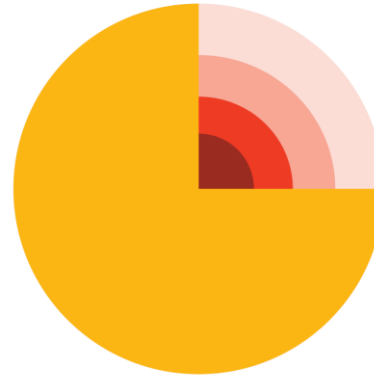


GLOFS: Suggested workflow for outburst simulation





Glacier Hazards: Glacial Ouburst Floods (GLOFs)
hazard mapping (input from Samuel Cook, UNIL)



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GLOFs: Hazard Mapping

- Rate of glacier thinning doubled globally in last 20 years (Hugonnet et al. 2021)
- Glacier retreat uncovers **overdeepenings** that can fill and become lakes dammed by unstable features (moraines, relict ice...)
- These **lakes can drain catastrophically** in glacier lake outburst floods (GLOFs)
- Frequency is predicted to increase into next century due to lagged response to warming (Harrison et al., 2018)
- Therefore, **need better modelling of timing and location of glacier-lake formation, and the extent of damage should they cause a GLOF**



Picture: D. Binder, ZAMG



Recorded GLOFS in Europe



Iceland

270 events: 41 volcanic; 167 ice; 62 unknown



European Alps

301 events: 29 moraine; 197 ice; 1 bedrock; 71 unknown



Scandinavia

212 events: 4 moraine; 94 ice; 23 unknown



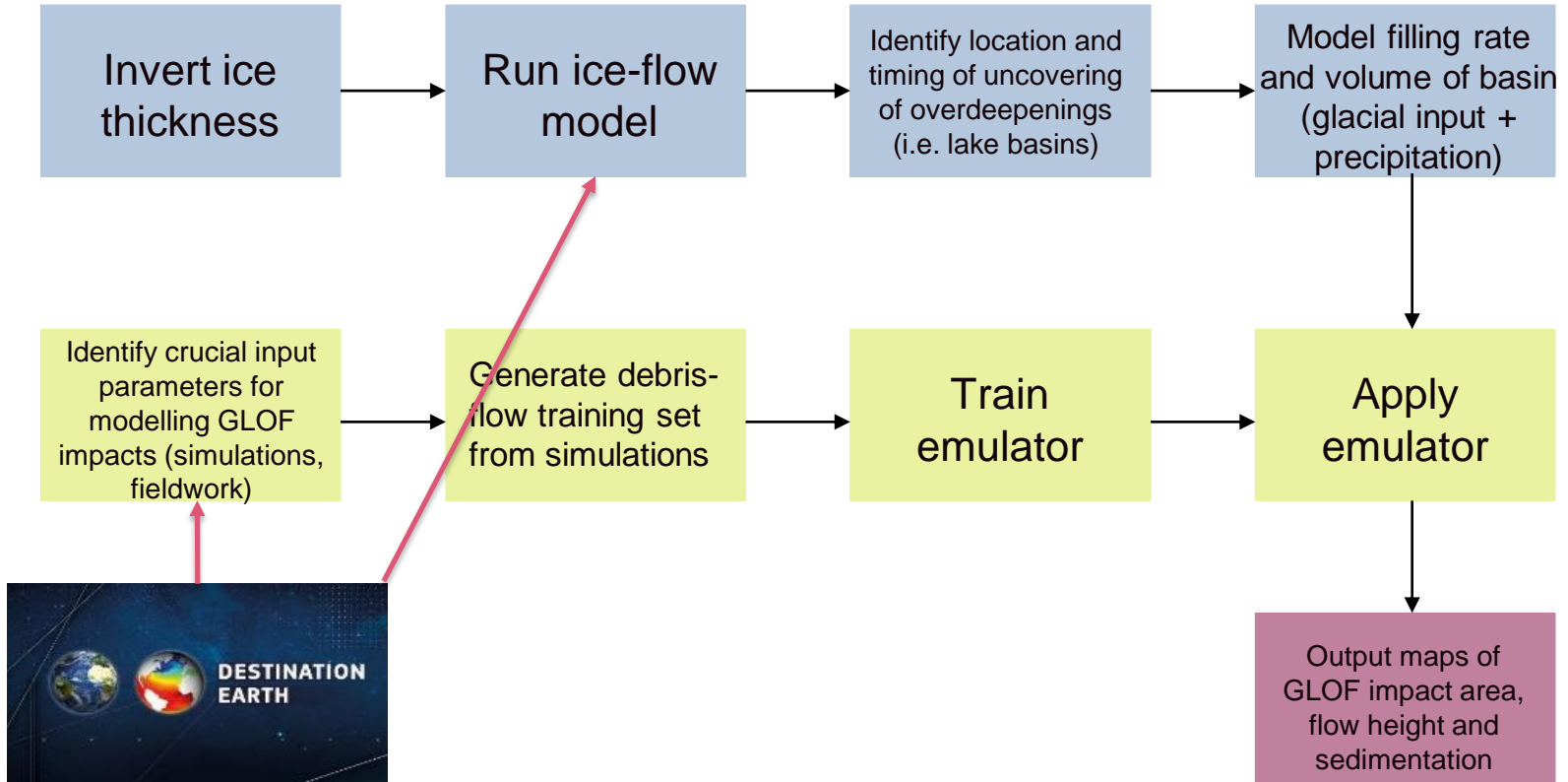
One inventory covering 20 GLOF-prone countries around the world (Iceland, Alps, Andes, Himalaya) showed 1348 GLOFs from 332 sites over the last millennium, 36% of which caused recorded deaths or damage (Carrivick and Tweed, 2016)



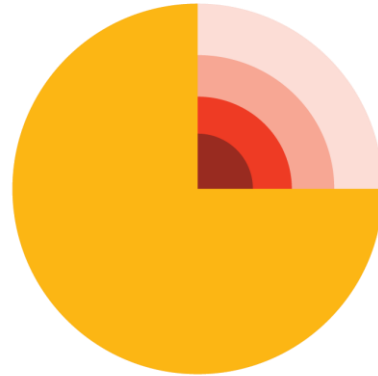
After Carrivick and Tweed (2016)



Workflow



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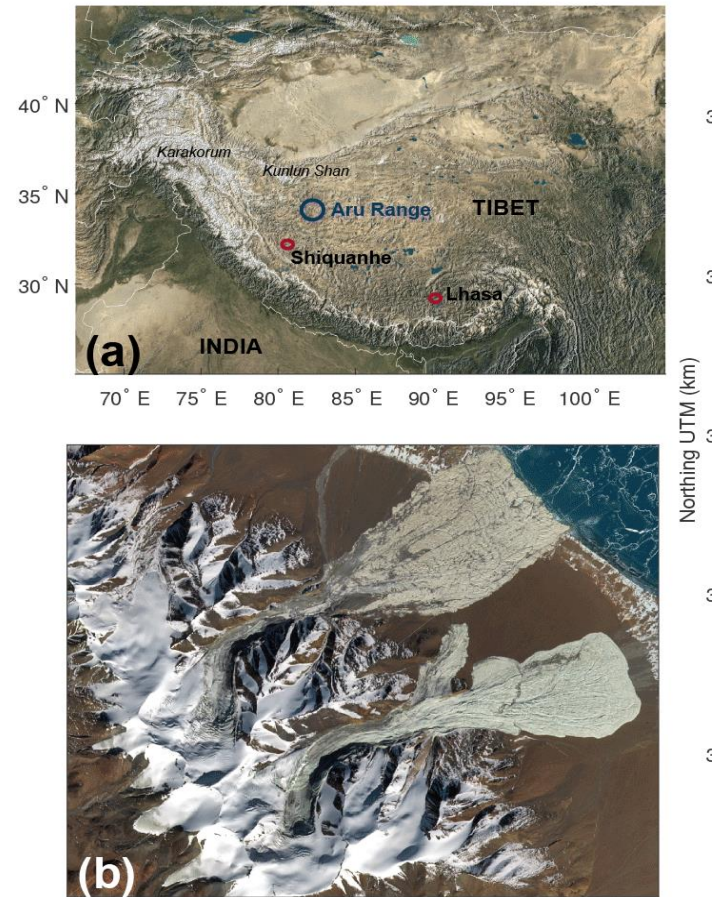


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What else?

- Glacier-permafrost interaction (including basal hydrology) for **glacier stability** (e.g. Marmolada tragedy in 2022 or Aru glaciers – to the right)

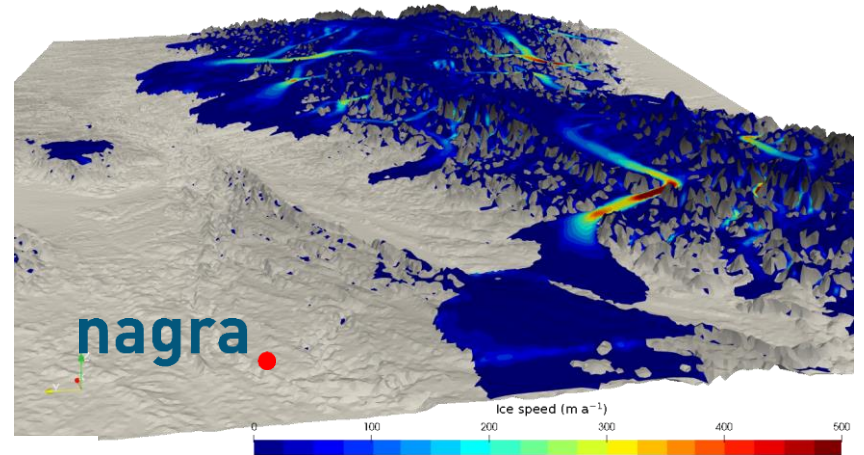


Gilbert et al., 2016



What else?

- Glacier-permafrost interaction (including basal hydrology) for **glacier stability**
- Long term studies of glacier hydrology as well as permafrost for nuclear **waste repository safety assessment**



Animation courtesy Denis Cohen, CoSci

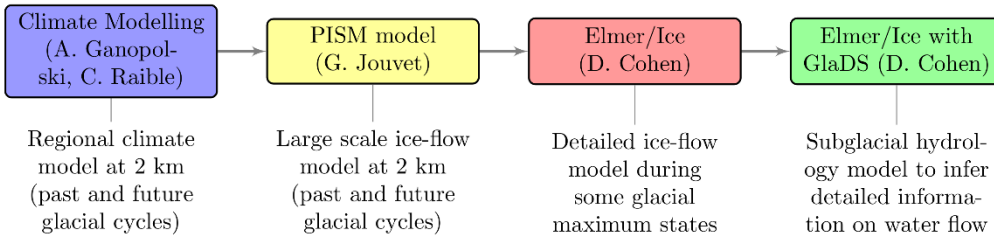


Figure 1: Overview of the intended use of models from climate to detailed ice-flow modelling.



What else?

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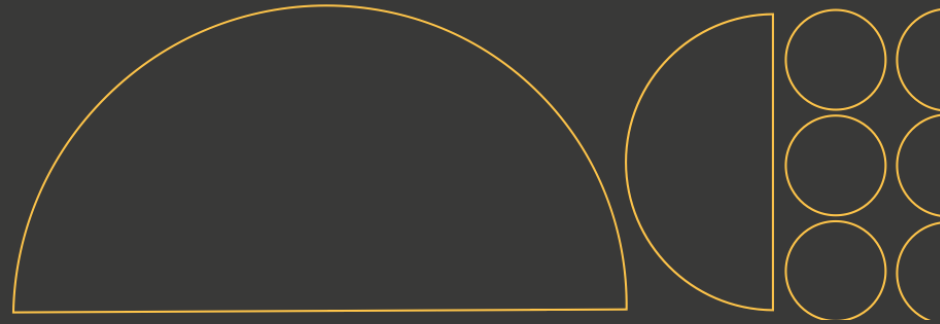
- **Hazard zone mapping**
- Evaluation of **protective measures**
(see r.h.s.)



avalanche deflecting dams in western Norway (photos: NGI)



Thank you!



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