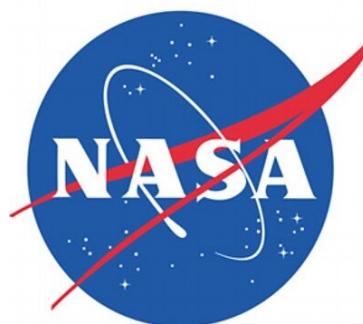


Carbon Monitoring System in Mountains (CMS-Mountains): Development and Testing in the Western U.S. (Lin-CMS 2015 & Lin-CMS 2018)

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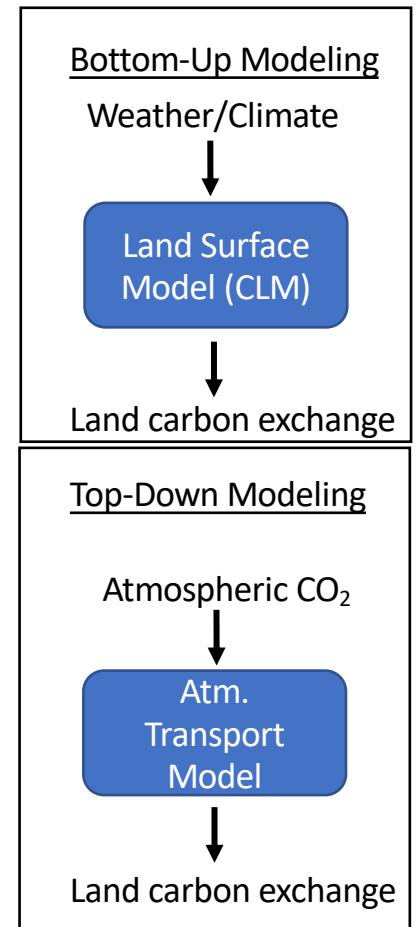
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Goal: Monitor carbon flux across complex terrain of Western US



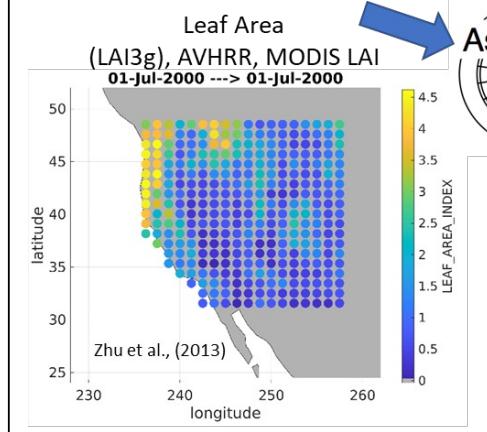
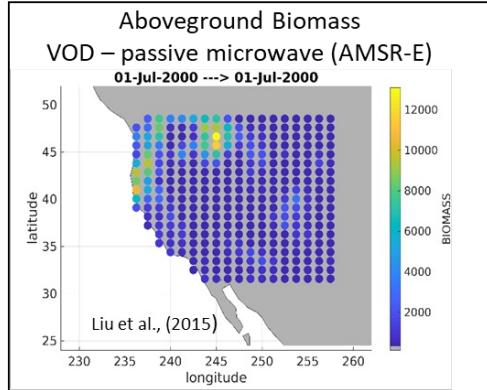
Vulnerable carbon stocks, drastic change to landscape and ecosystem functioning



Overarching Goal: Develop Land surface data assimilation system, CLM5-DART

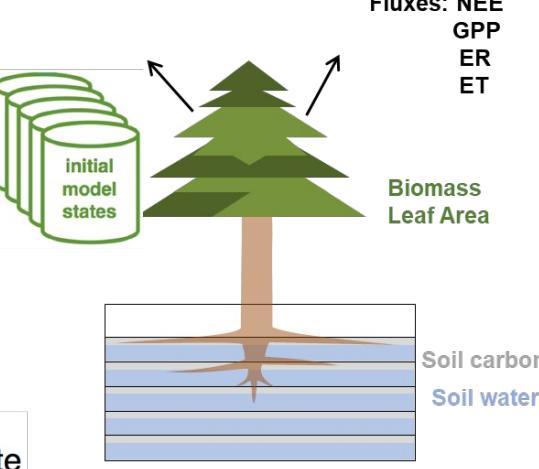
“Develop a carbon monitoring system across complex terrain of Rocky Mountains of Western US”

Observations

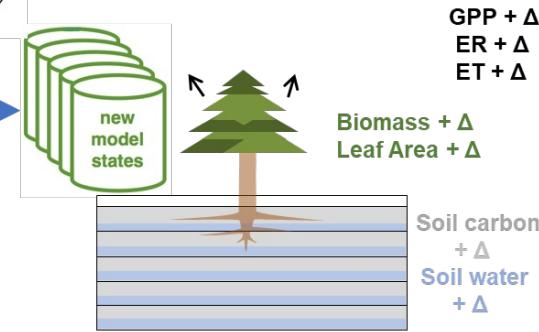


CLM 5 biosphere model

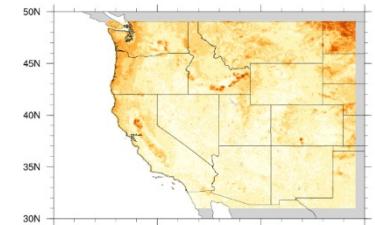
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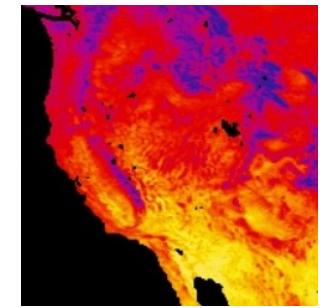
New Posterior State: Fluxes: NEE + Δ GPP + Δ ER + Δ ET + Δ



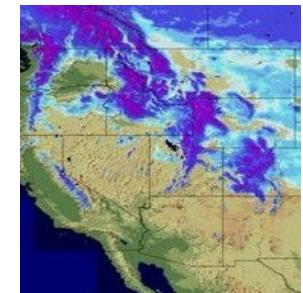
Solar Induced Fluorescence (SIF)



(TROPOMI, OCO-2/3, GOME-2)



Land Surface Temp
(ECOSTRESS)



Snow Cover (MODIS)

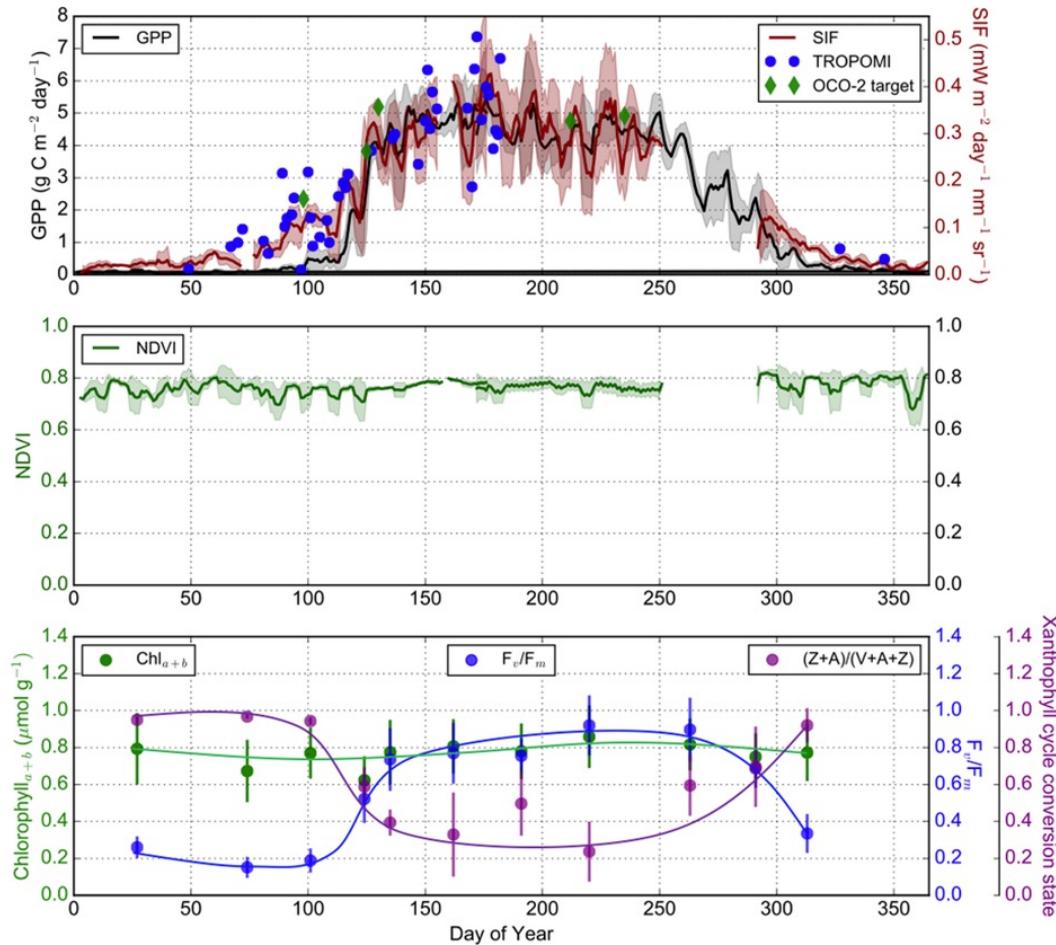
CMS-Mountains-I Review

Demonstration of strong SIF-GPP relationship for Western US evergreen species

PNAS

Mechanistic evidence for tracking the seasonality of photosynthesis with solar-induced fluorescence

Troy S. Magney^{a,b,1}, David R. Bowling^c, Barry A. Logan^d, Katja Grossmann^{e,2}, Jochen Stutz^e, Peter D. Blanken^f, Sean P. Burns^{f,g}, Rui Cheng^a, Maria A. Garcia^c, Philipp Köhler^a, Sophia Lopez^d, Nicholas C. Parazoo^b, Brett Racza^c, David Schimel^b, and Christian Frankenberg^{a,b,1}



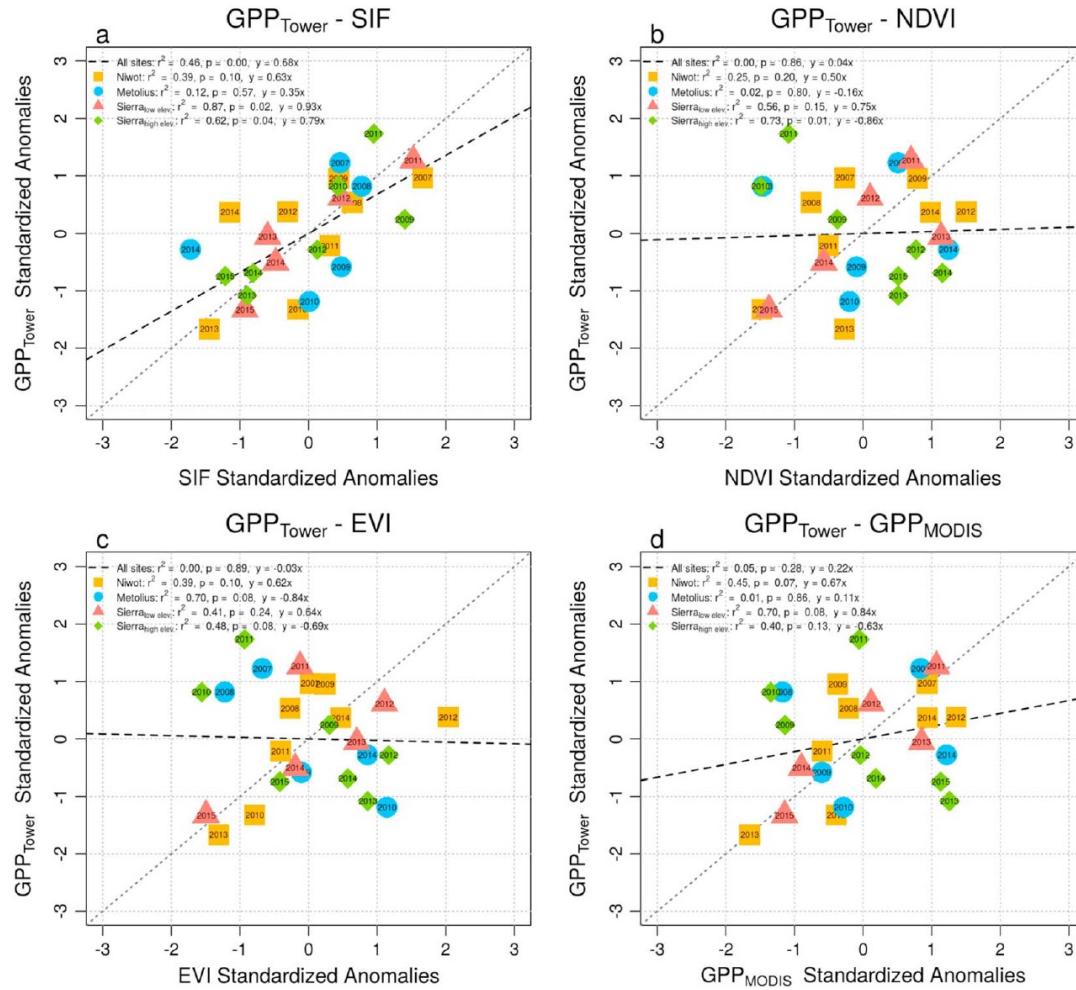
- SIF is a useful indicator of timing/magnitude of GPP (Niwot Ridge, CO)
- Traditional ‘green-ness’ indicators do not track seasonal GPP
- The GPP seasonality related to leaf pigment transition (xanthophyll cycle)

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Geophysical Research Letters

Solar-Induced Fluorescence Detects Interannual Variation in Gross Primary Production of Coniferous Forests in the Western United States

Lauren M. Zuromski¹ , David R. Bowling^{1,2} , Philipp Köhler³ , Christian Frankenberg³ , Michael L. Goulden⁴ , Peter D. Blanken⁵ , and John C. Lin¹ 



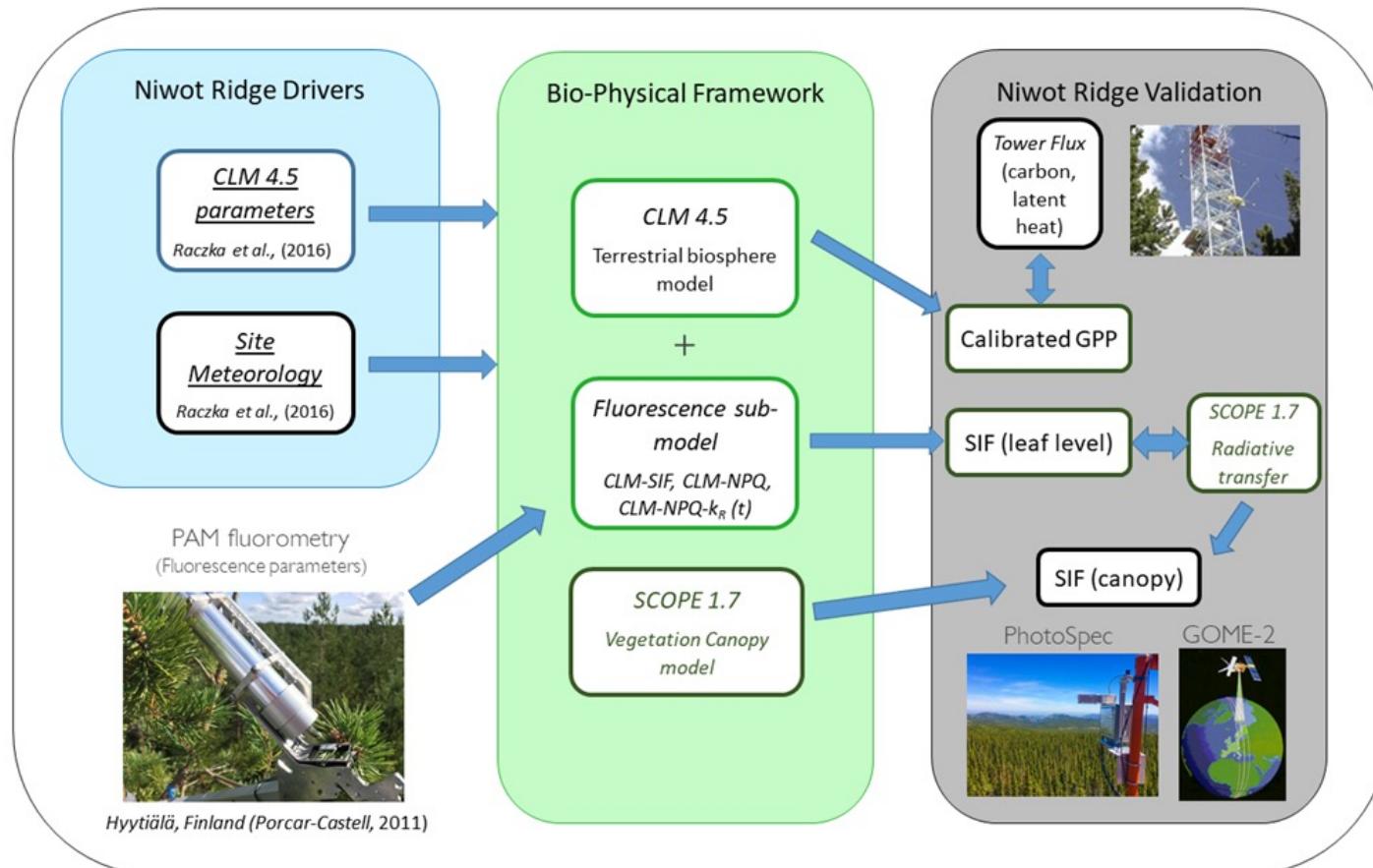
- Solar-induced fluorescence detected inter-annual variation in GPP and small disturbances with greater success than traditional satellite-based products.

Add representation of SIF within a land surface model: Community Land Model (CLM)

Sustained Nonphotochemical Quenching Shapes the Seasonal Pattern of Solar-Induced Fluorescence at a High-Elevation Evergreen Forest

JGR Biogeosciences

Brett Raczka¹ , A. Porcar-Castell² , T. Magney^{3,4} , J. E. Lee⁵ , P. Köhler⁴, C. Frankenberg^{3,4} , K. Grossmann^{6,7,8}, B. A. Logan⁹ , J. Stutz^{6,7} , P. D. Blanken¹⁰, S. P. Burns^{10,11} , H. Duarte¹², X. Yang¹³ , J. C. Lin¹² , and D. R. Bowling¹



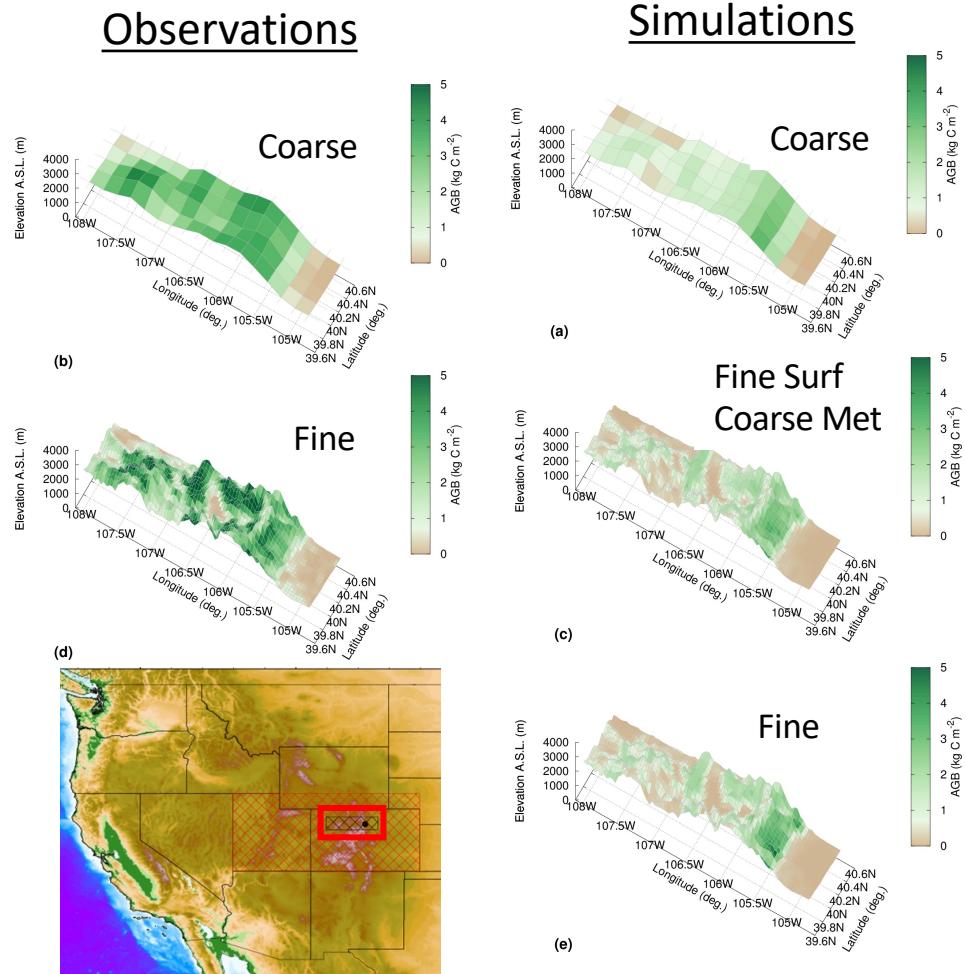
Do more spatially resolved land surface maps and meteorology improve biomass simulations?



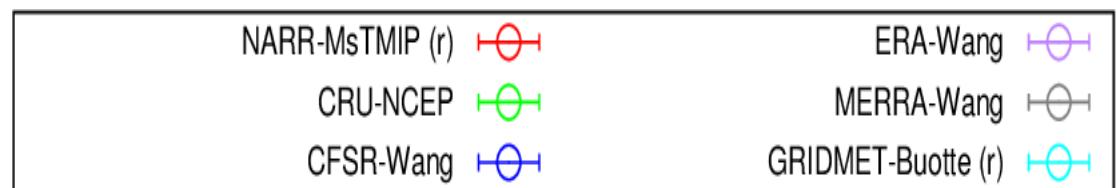
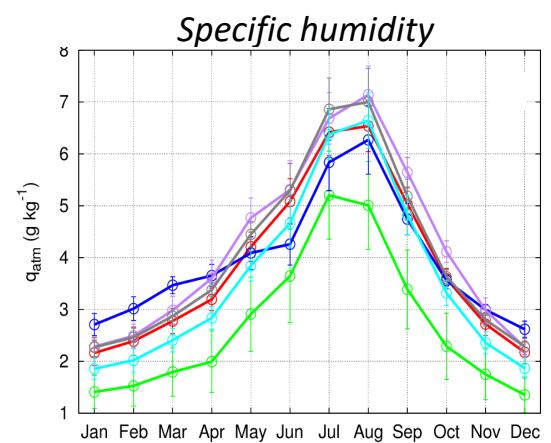
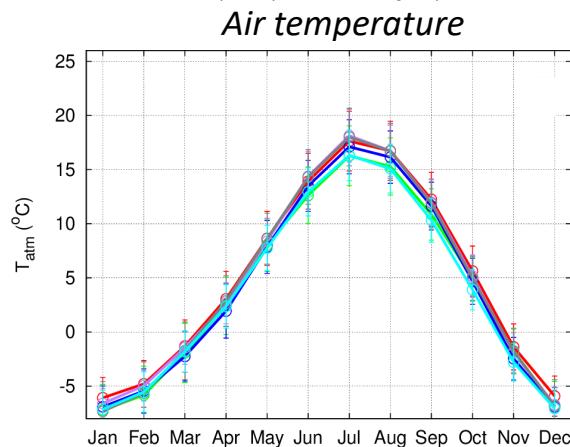
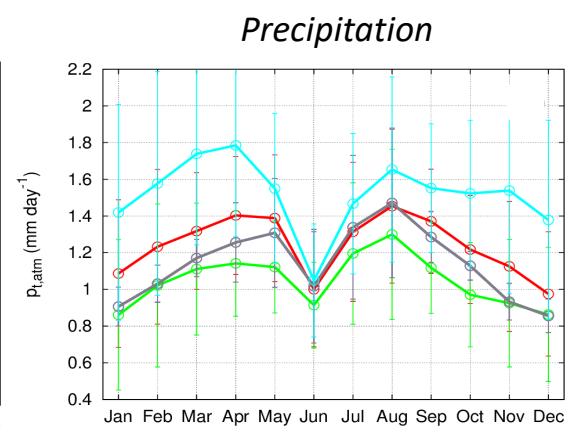
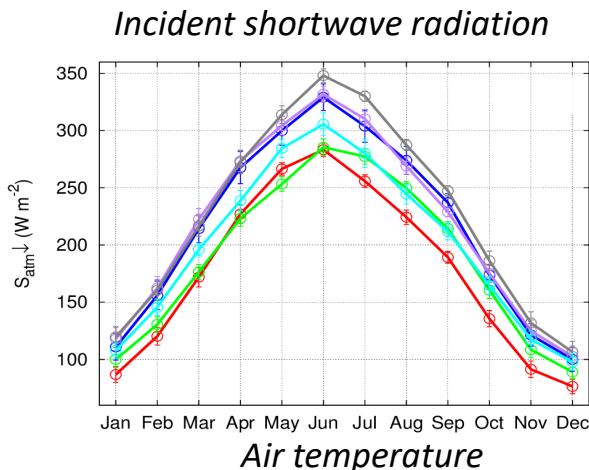
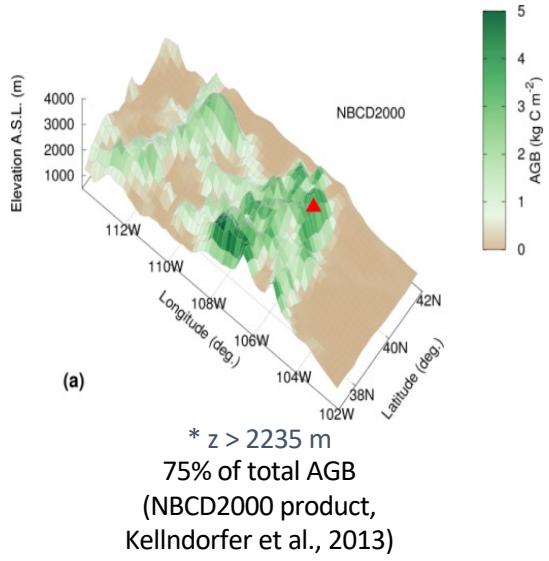
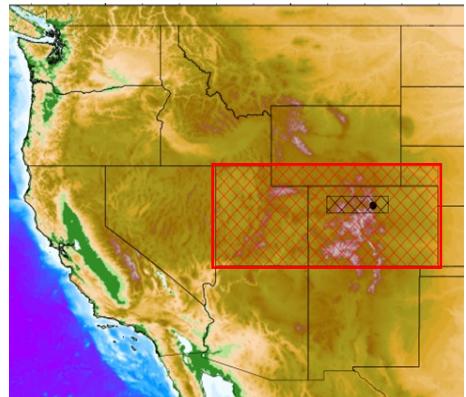
Fine ($1/24^\circ$) and Coarse ($1/2^\circ$) CLM surface maps and GRIDMET meteorology

Fan et al., 2019:

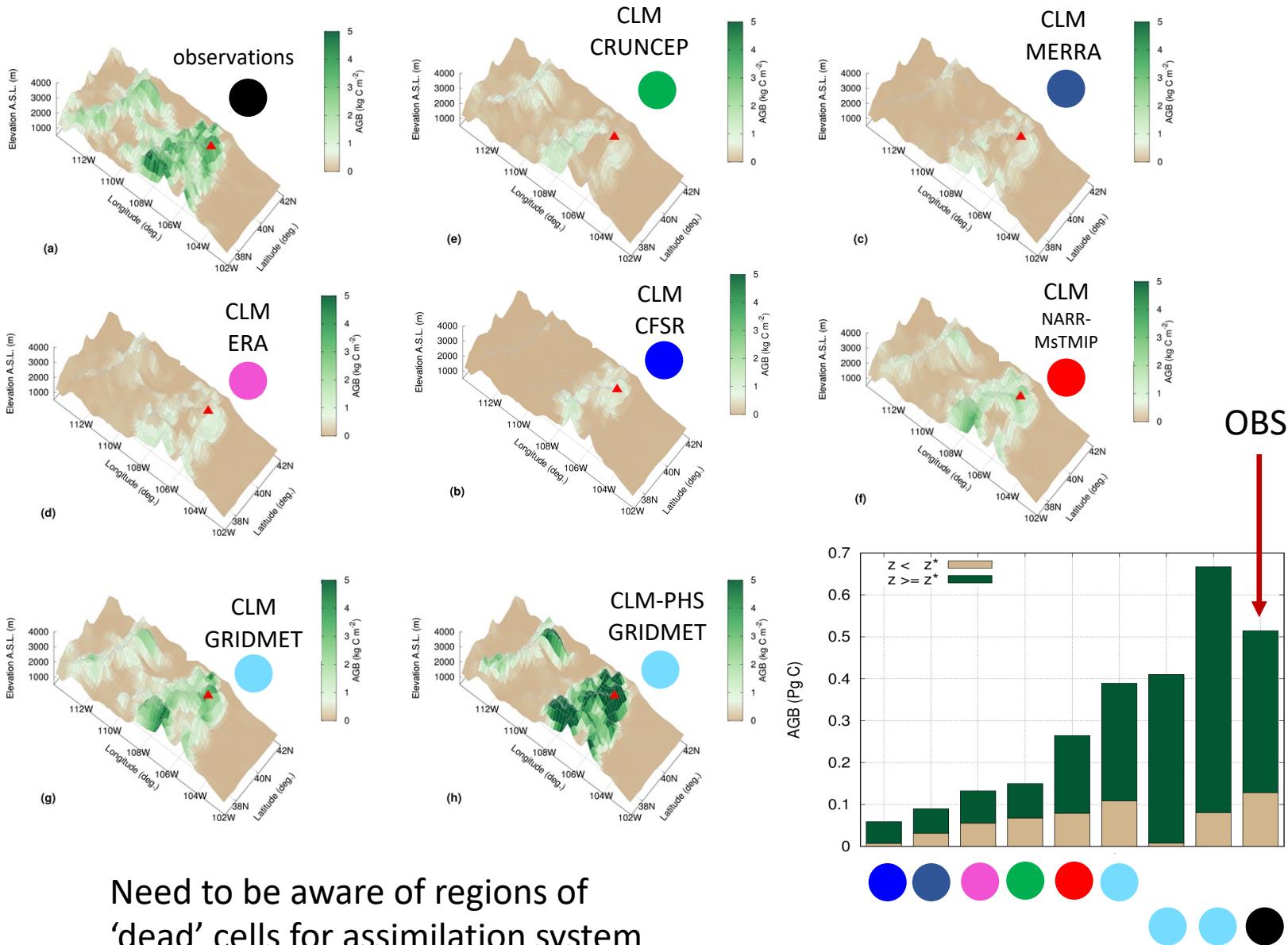
"The next questions are as follows: where and when, across the diverse and dynamic environments of the globe, do we expect that these terrain influences will matter to ESM predictions of large-scale water, energy, and biogeochemical fluxes? ...will the hillslope-scale structures, however, deterministic and predictable, simply average out over an ESM grid cell and hence matter little to global predictions?"



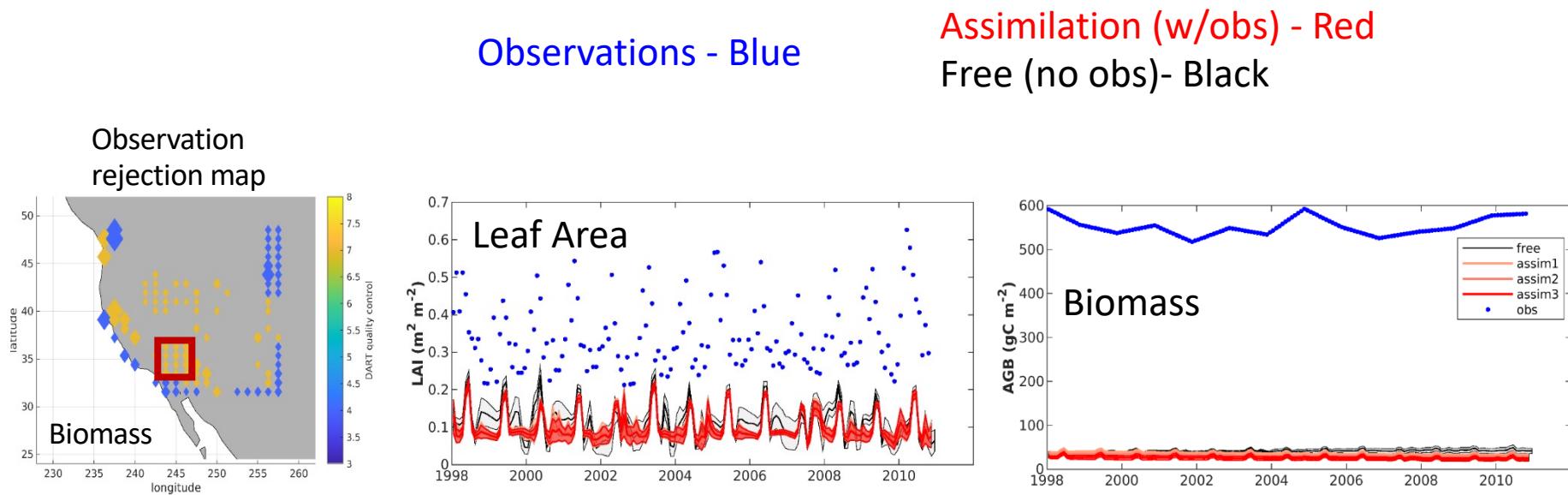
Meteorology data products for complex terrain tend to be too warm/dry



Simulation of biomass is highly sensitive to meteorological biases and representation of water limitation



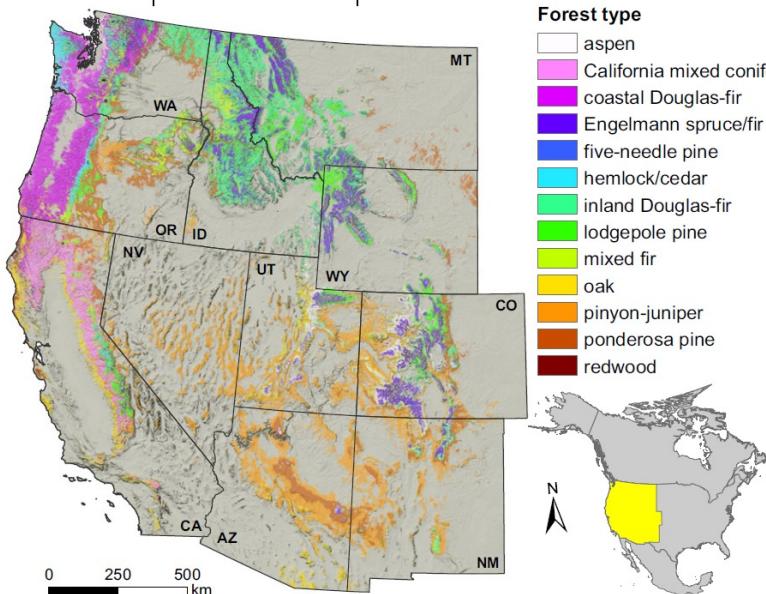
Dead cell regions inhibit functioning of assimilation system



Identifying the most favorable meteorological dataset and model configuration (GRIDMET –CLM5-PHS) helped avoid these dead cell regions that are highly resistant to assimilation updates

Paths for continued land surface model improvement

Custom PFT parameterization

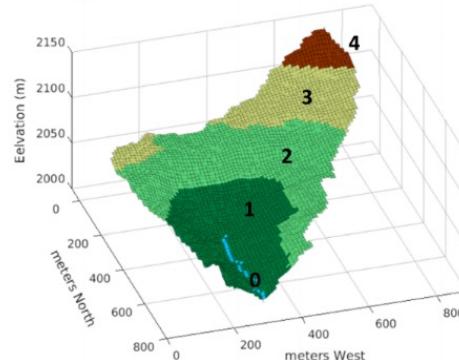


Buotte et al., 2018

Hillslope, Subsurface Hydrology

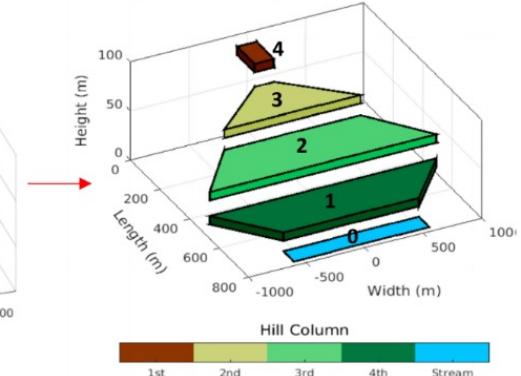
Spatially Explicit
– computationally unrealistic

(e) HANDE bins for a small catchment



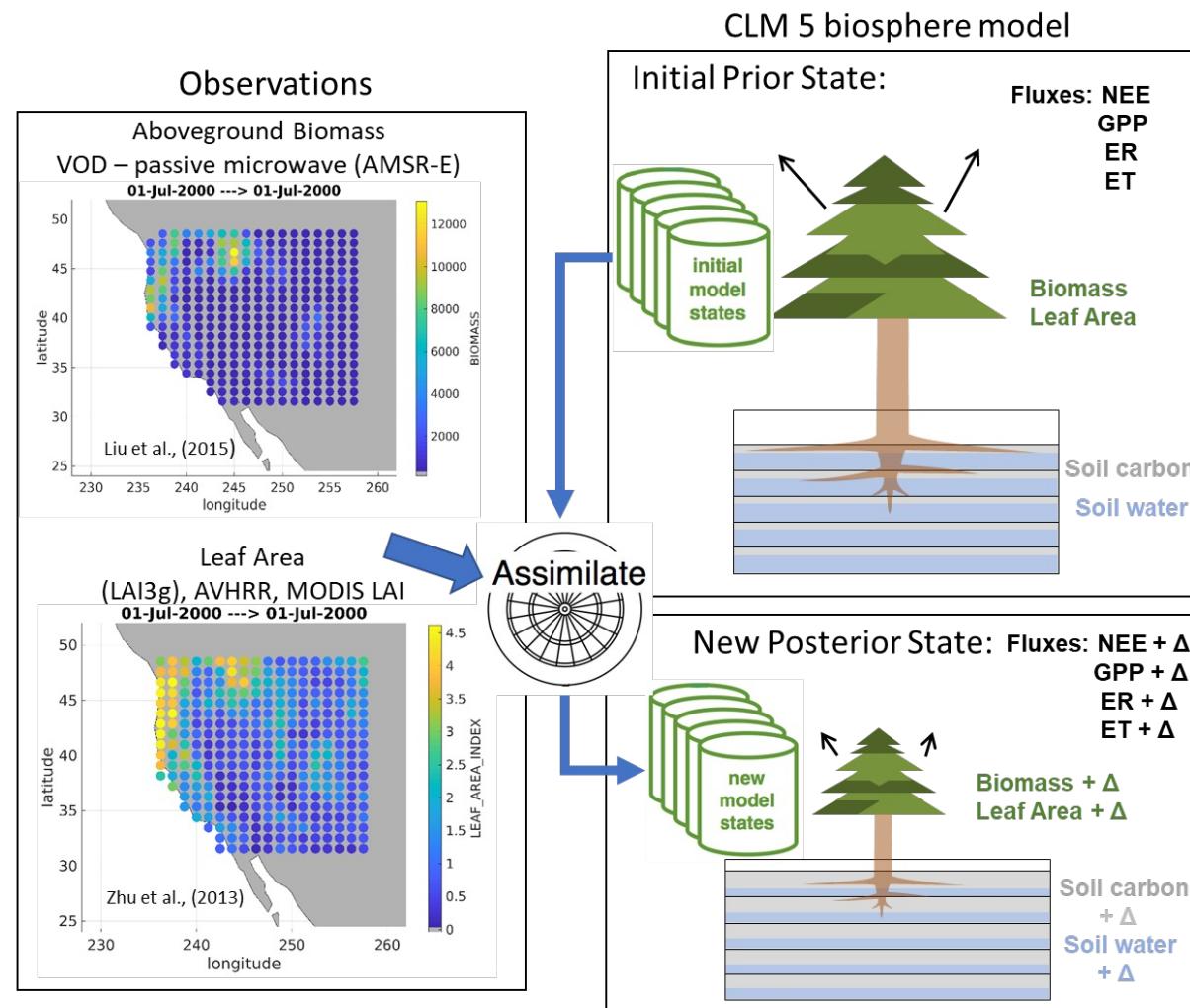
Spatially Implicit –
empirical, but less computation

(f) HANDE bins represented in model



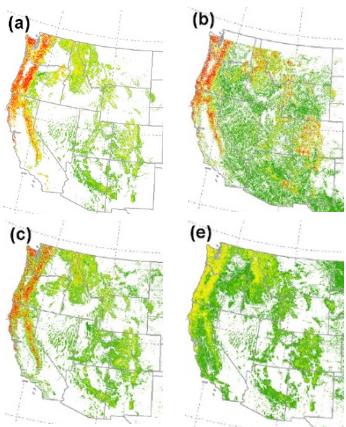
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Land surface data assimilation system: CLM5-DART ‘Benchmark Case’

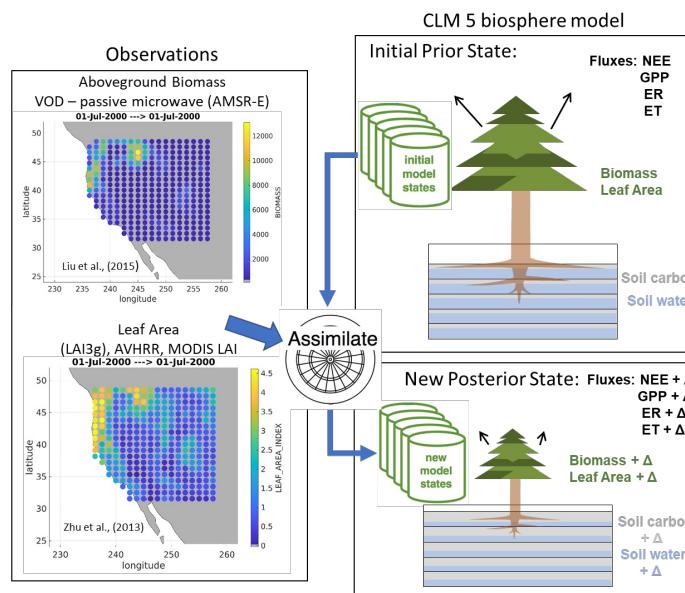
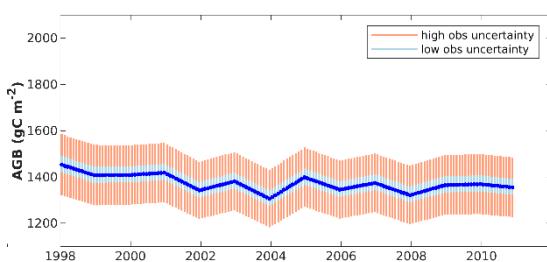


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NASA CMS Biomass WG (biomass products)



NASA CMS Uncertainty WG

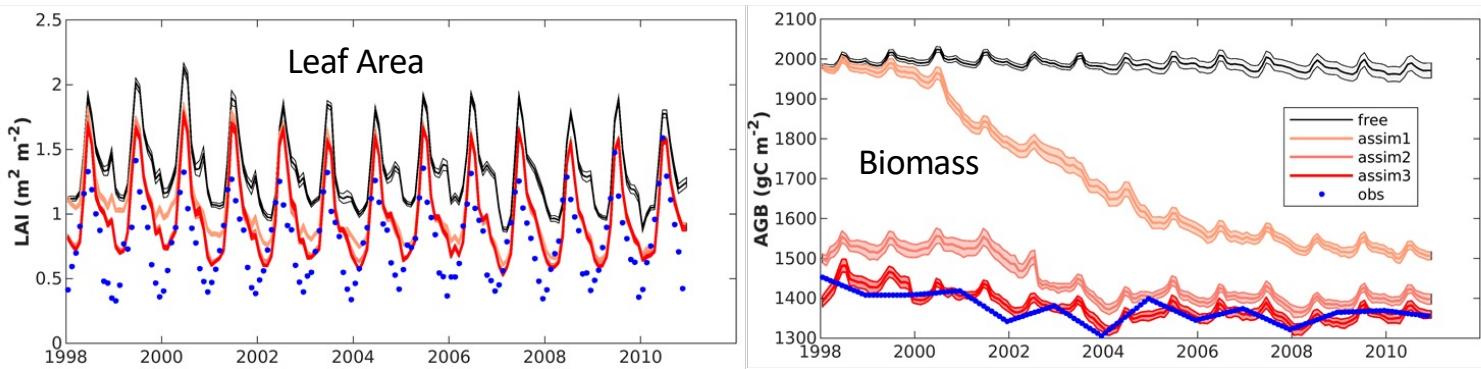


Model State localization

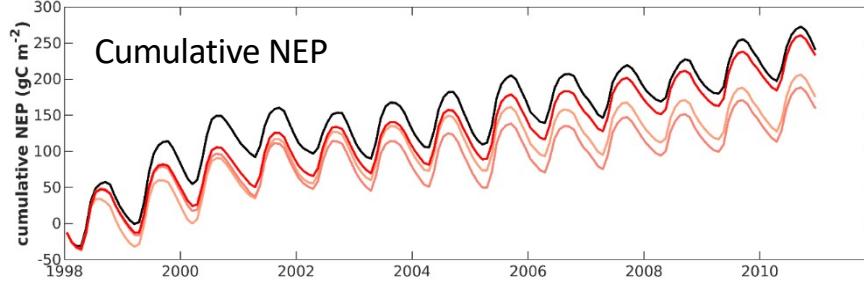
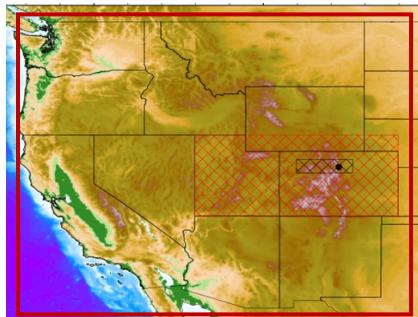
- Leaf carbon
- Live stem carbon
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- Leaf area index
- Fine root carbon
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Assimilation of leaf area and biomass reduce simulated biomass, GPP, ER. Net carbon exchange holds steady

Western US
Assimilation
overview



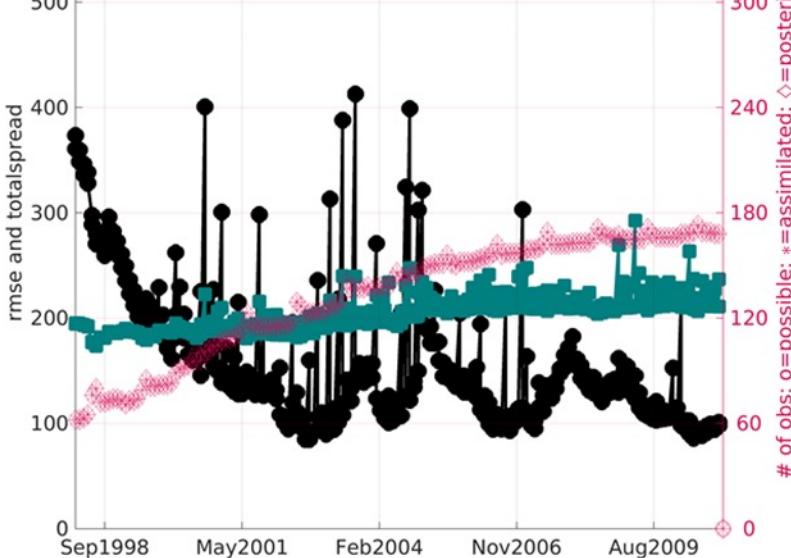
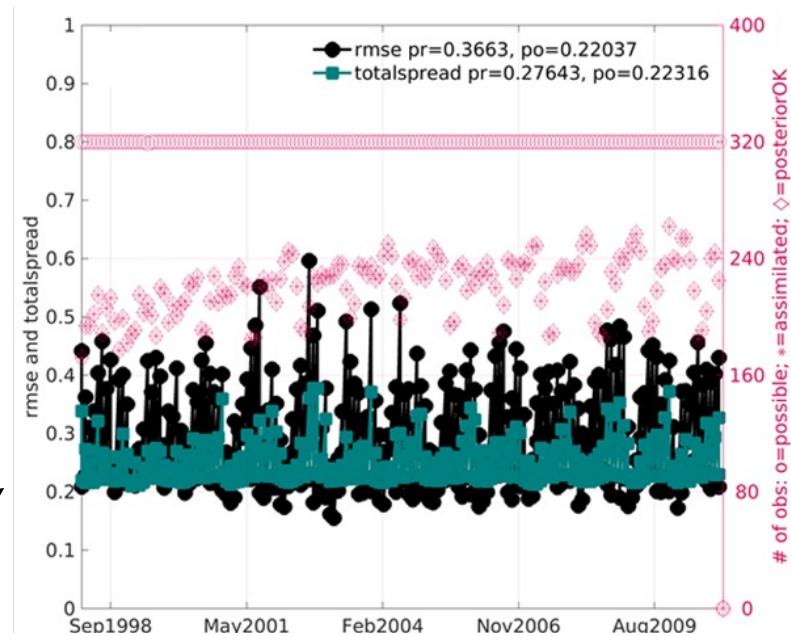
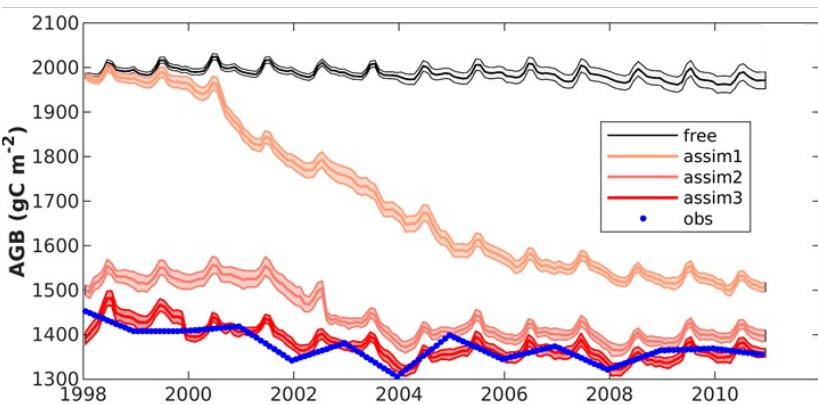
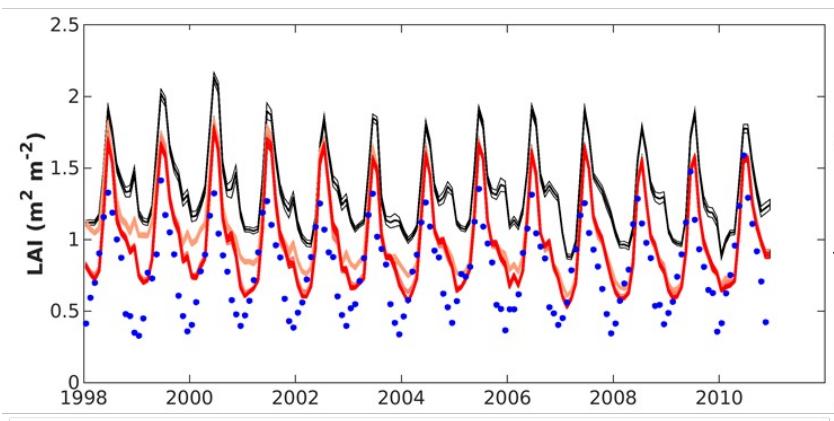
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Simulation Name	AGB (kgC m^{-2})	LAI (m m^{-2})	GPP ($\text{gC m}^{-2} \text{ month}^{-1}$)	ER ($\text{gC m}^{-2} \text{ month}^{-1}$)	NEP ($\text{gC m}^{-2} \text{ month}^{-1}$)
<i>Free</i>	1.98	1.31	48.18	47.18	1.00
<i>State-15</i>	1.33	0.93	37.08	39.52	-2.43
<i>State-9</i>	1.36	0.96	38.49	37.21	1.28
<i>State-4</i>	1.44	0.92	37.01	37.15	-0.05

Was the assimilation successful? Diagnosing observation acceptance rate and RMSE

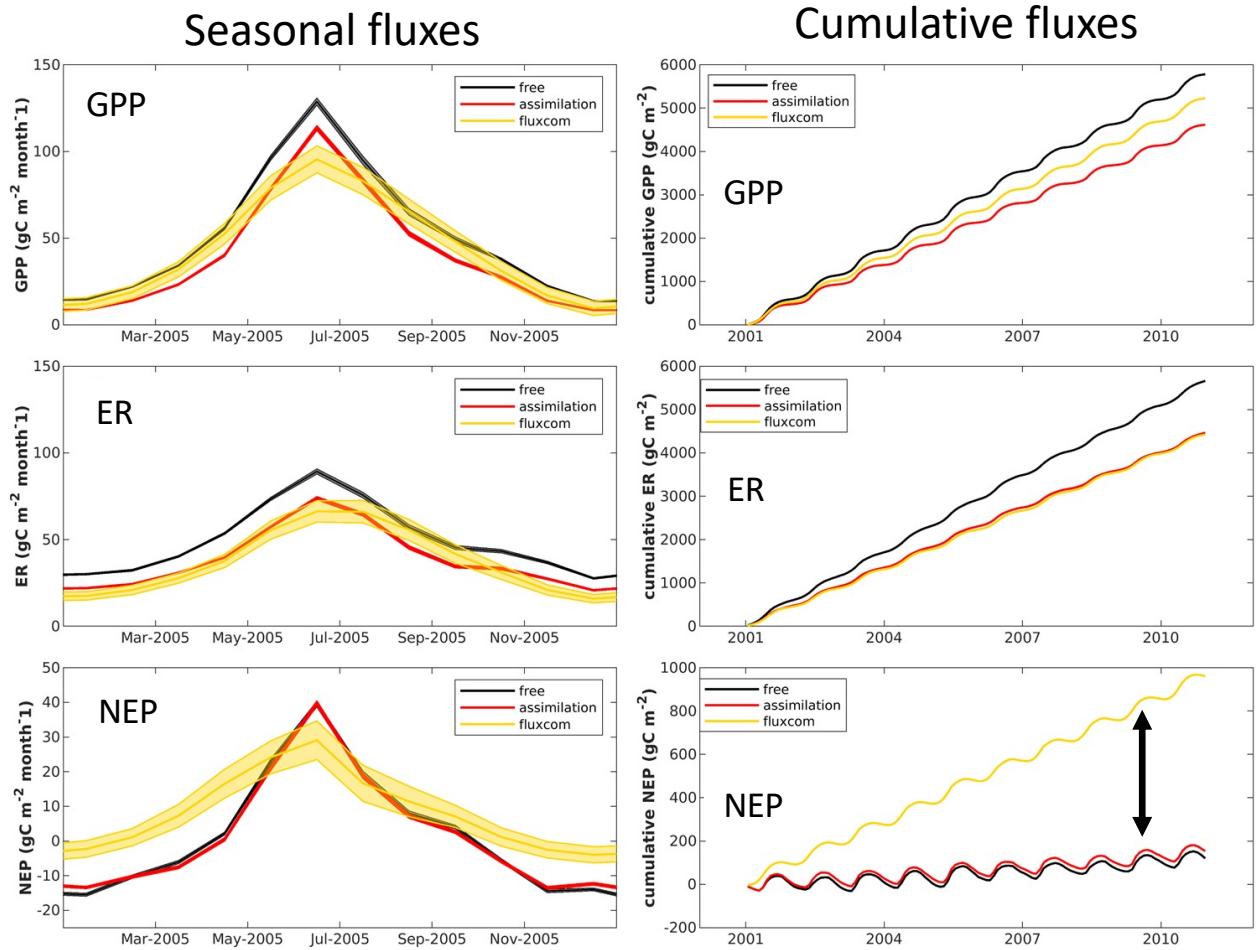
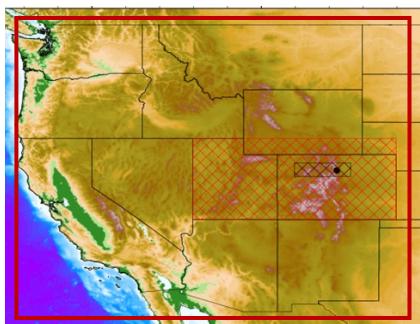
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CLM5-DART vs. FLUXCOM
(observation constrained,
machine learning, model
ensemble)

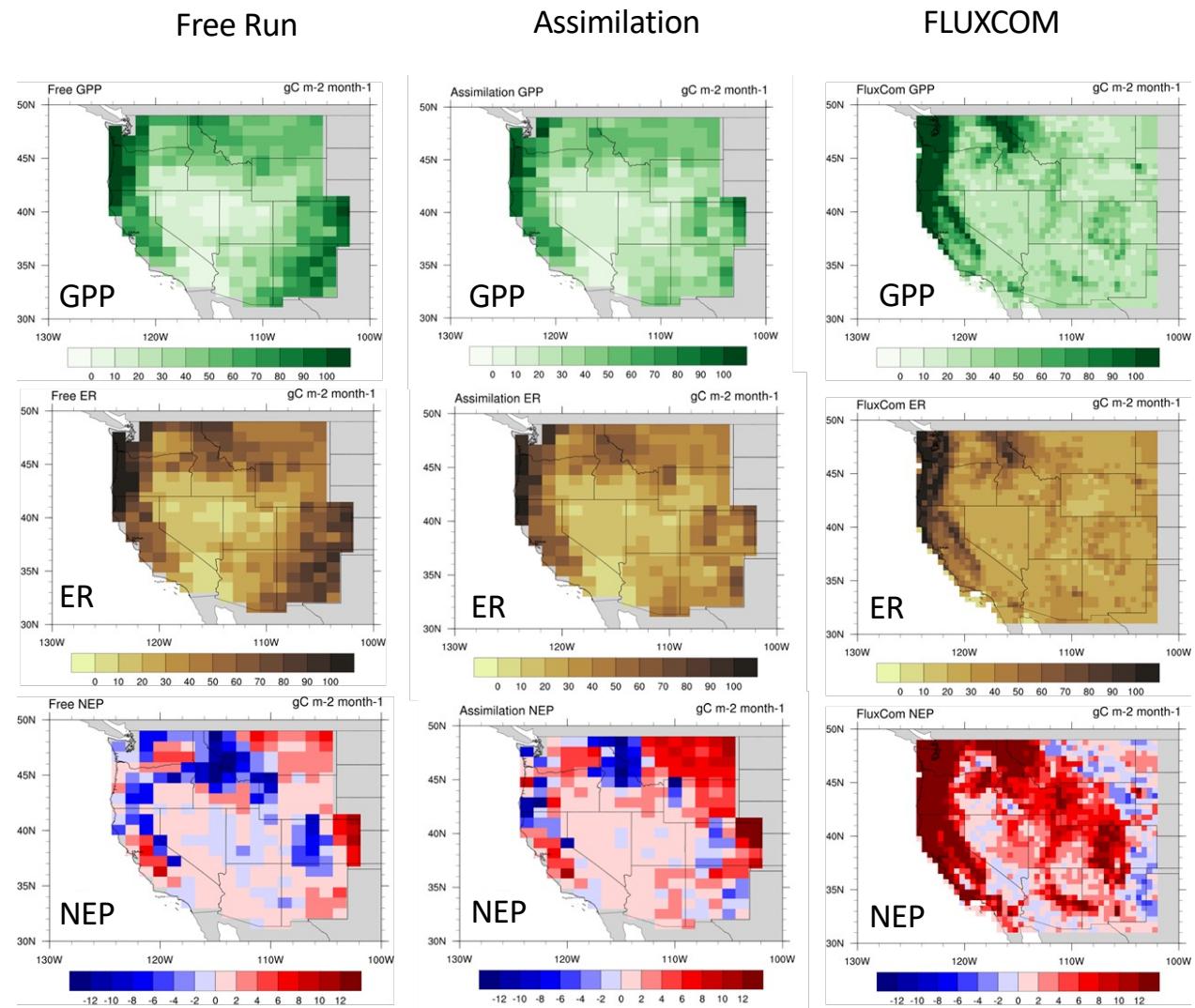
- GPP mismatch
- ER very similar
- NEP: strong winter mismatch



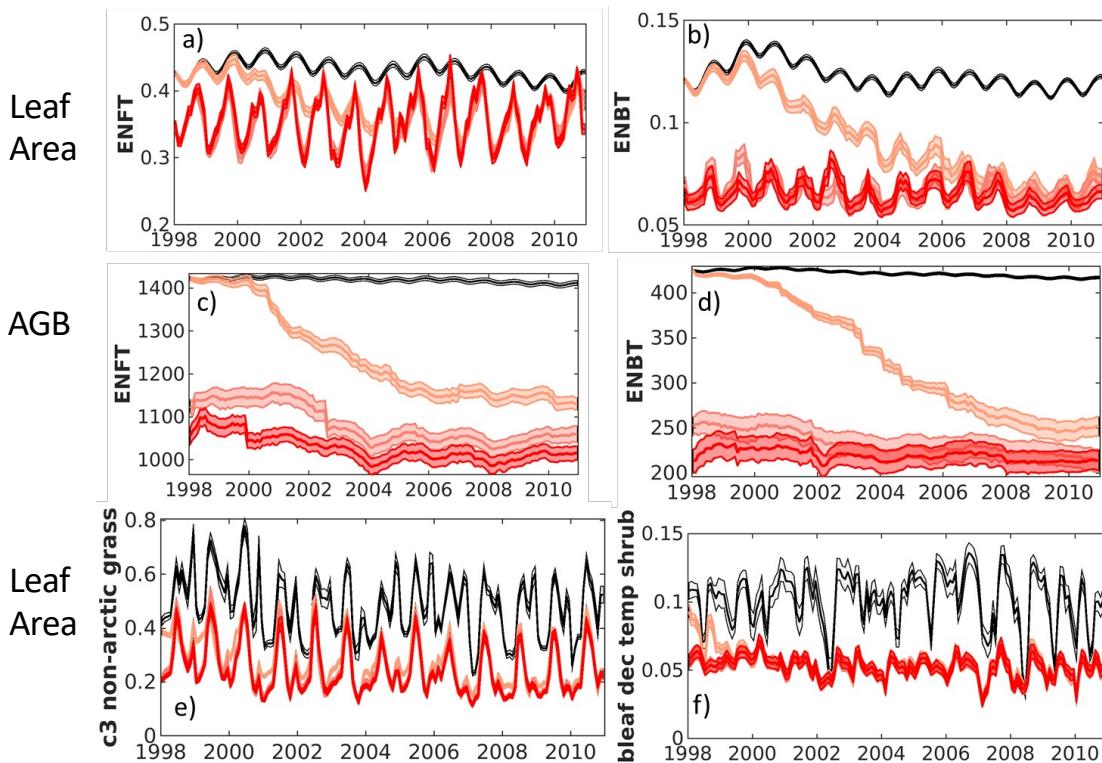
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CLM5-DART not getting high elevation uptake, low elevation neutral

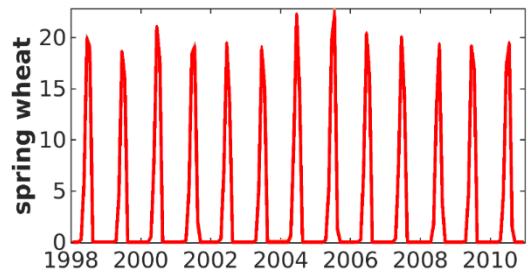
- AGB observations in interior West relatively low
- Water variables in CLM not receiving direct adjustments, (downstream variables)



Opportunities for improved assimilation: PFT specific observations



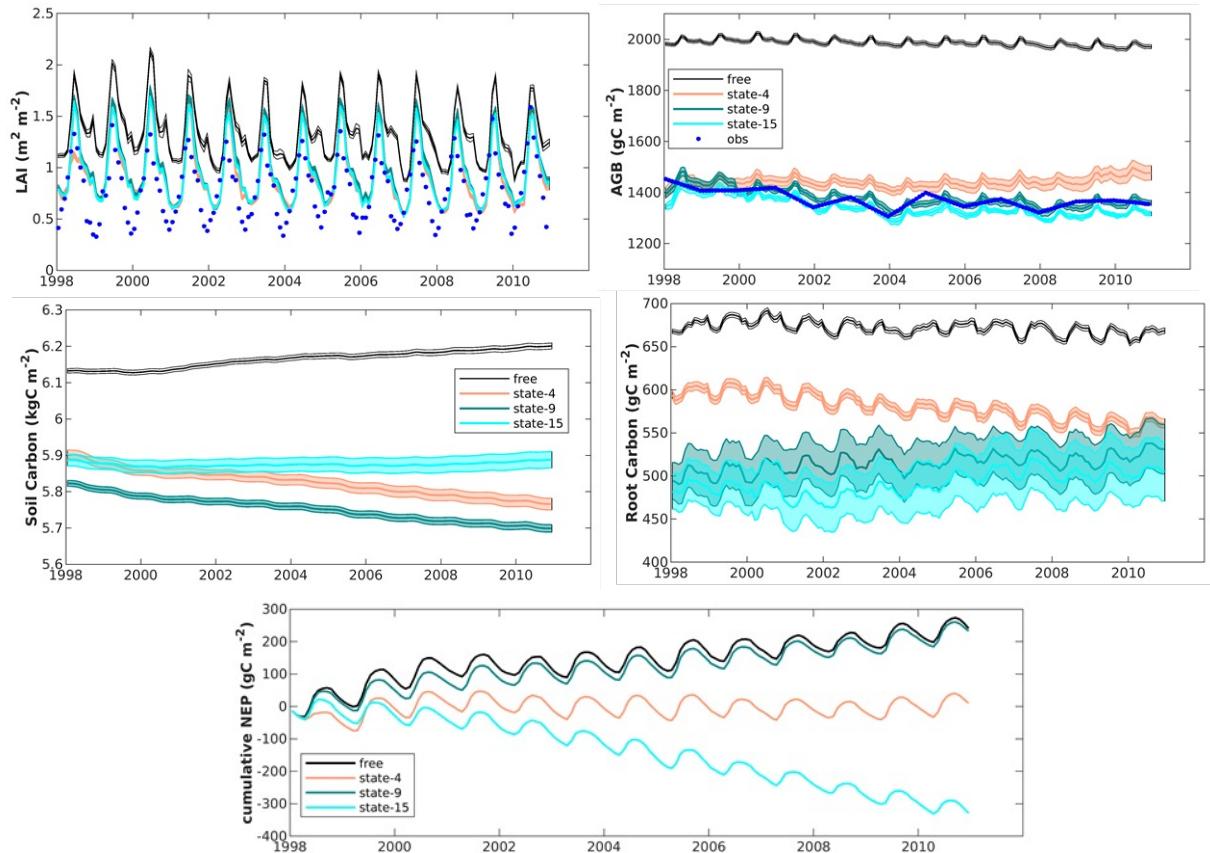
The assimilation adjustments to natural vegetation looks fine, crops are resistant to assimilation adjustments



- Robert Kennedy, OSU
(LandTrender biomass)

Opportunities for improved assimilation: expanding CLM adjusted state variables

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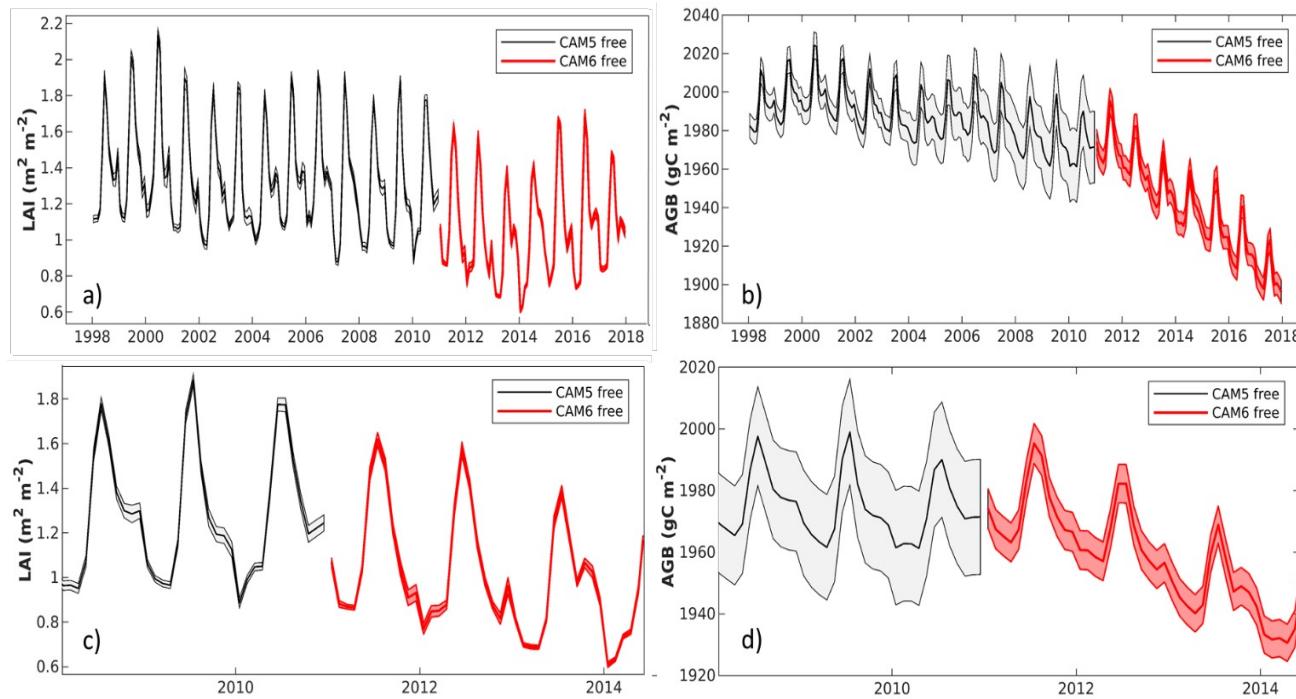


- Should expand to include soil carbon, water state variables.

CMS-Mountains-II

CMS-II (Lin 2018) advances

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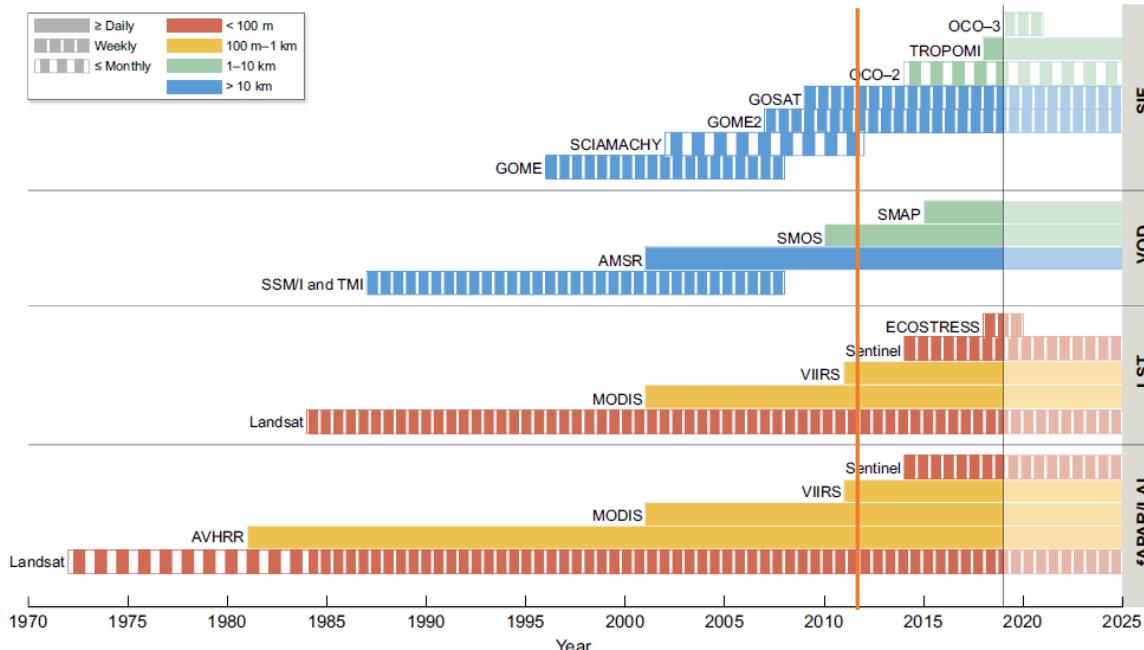


CMS-II (Lin 2018) goals: add data streams

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Add Observation Streams

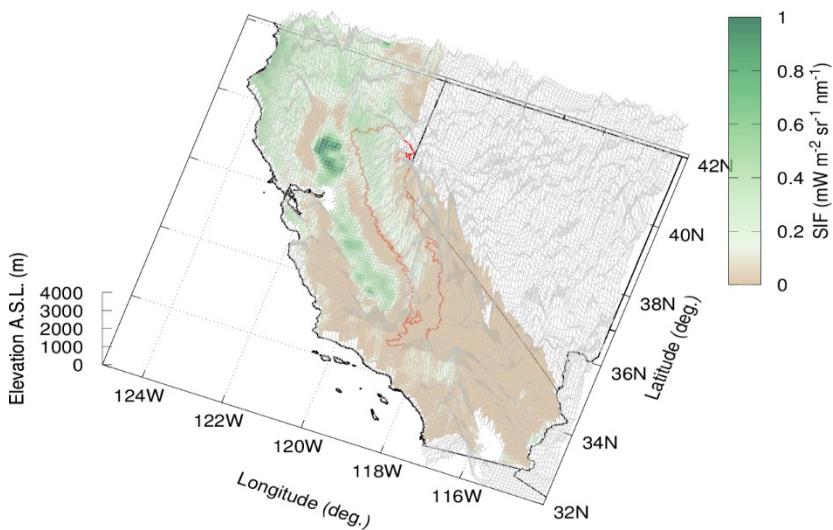
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- LandTrendr biomass (PFT)
- ECOSTRESS, LST
- SIF-TROPOMI
- SNODAS



Assimilation framework

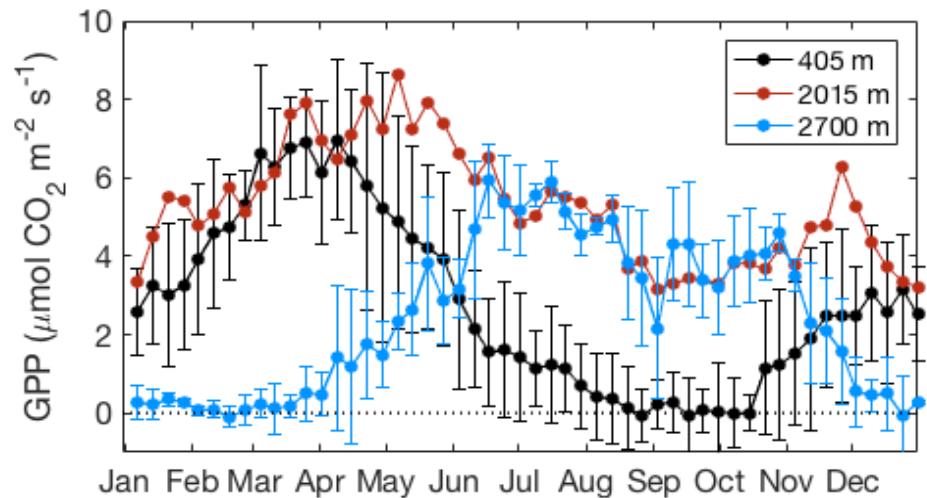
CMS-II (Lin 2018) goals: High resolution TROPOMI-SIF to diagnose phenology

High Resolution TROPOMI-SIF (5x5 km, 4-8 days)



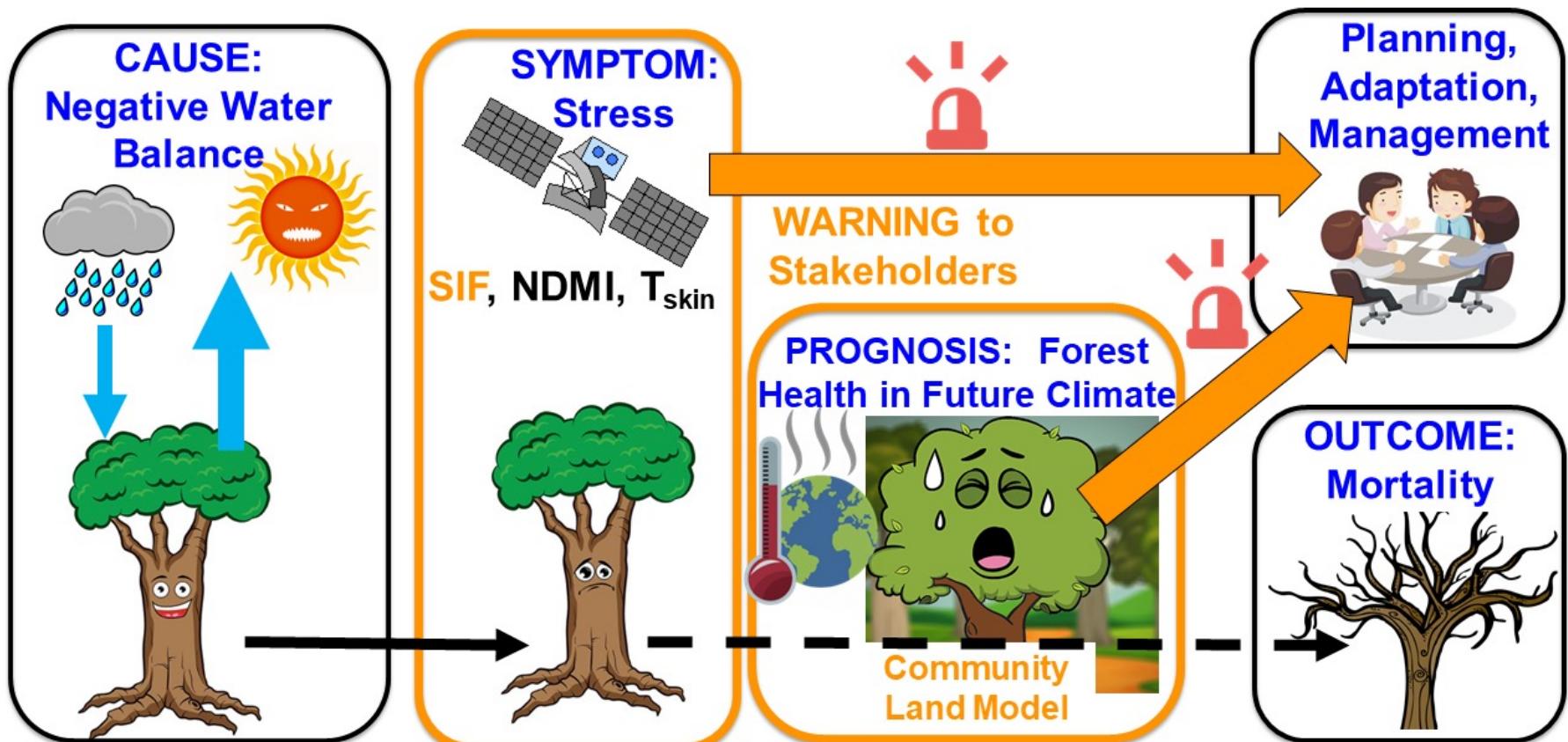
- Characterize seasonal phenology based on elevation, slope and aspect

Southern Sierra Critical Zone Observatory Flux Tower Sites



- Provide insight into phenological transition across elevation gradient
- Implement this understanding into improved phenological model in CLM 5

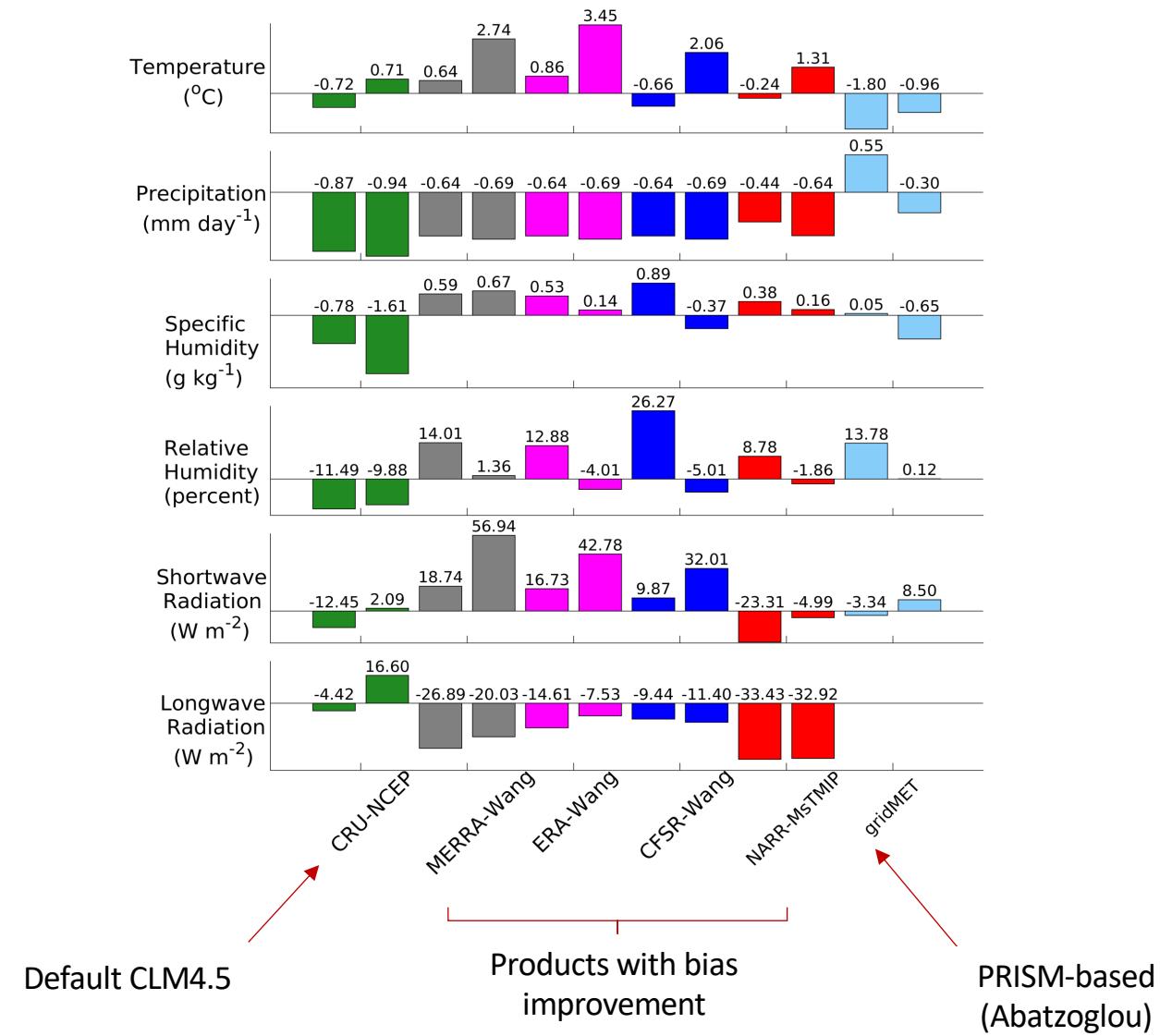
CMS-II (Lin 2018) goals: Forest Health Early Warning System



Questions?

Meteorological datasets tend to be too warm/dry across Western US

- Meteorological biases at Niwot Ridge, Colorado
- High temp
- High SW radiation
- Low precip
- Asking for trouble within a water limited region



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