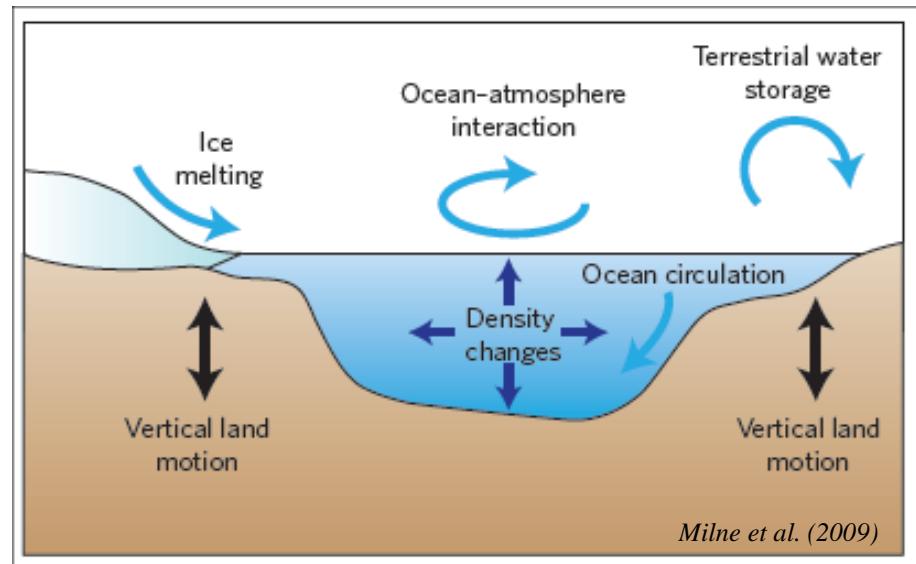
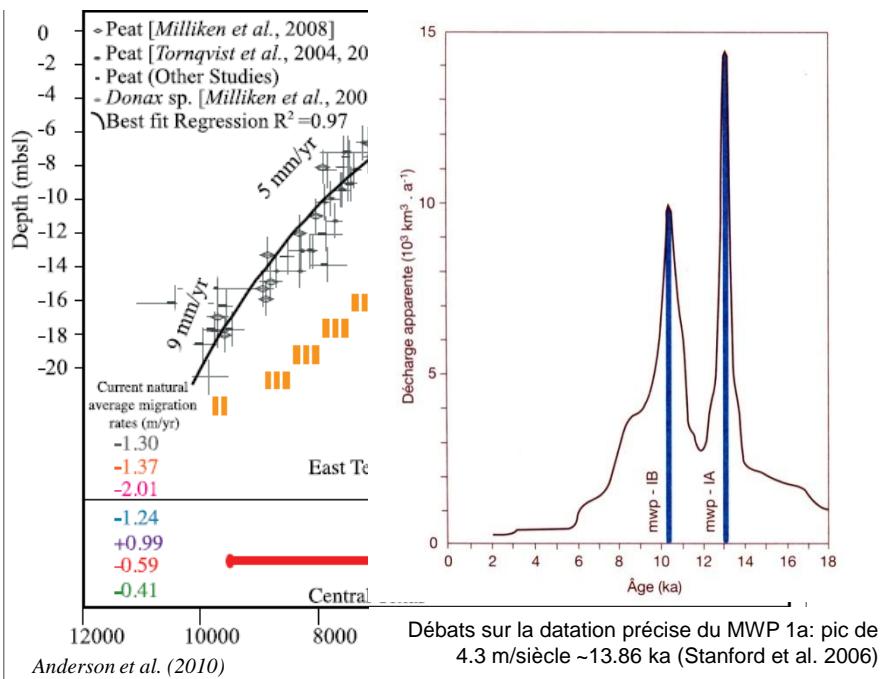
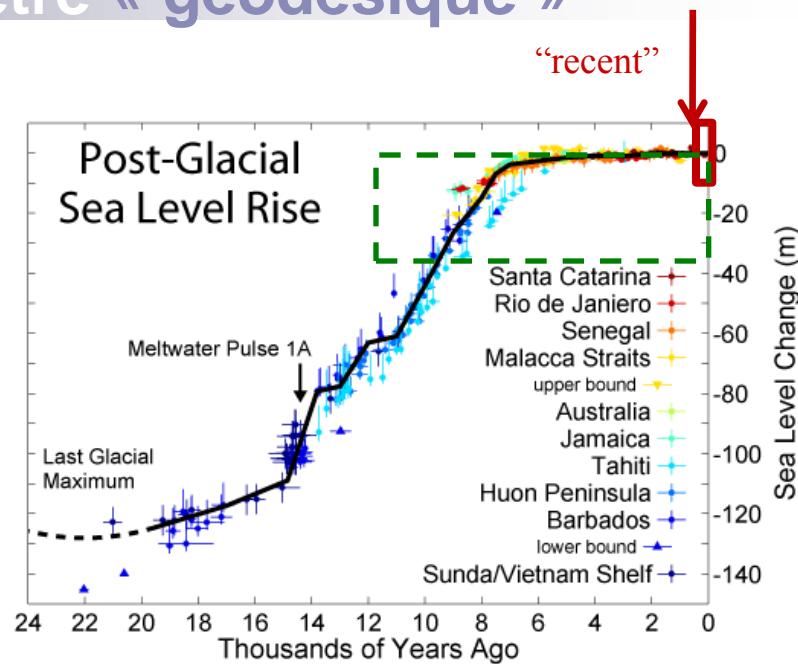
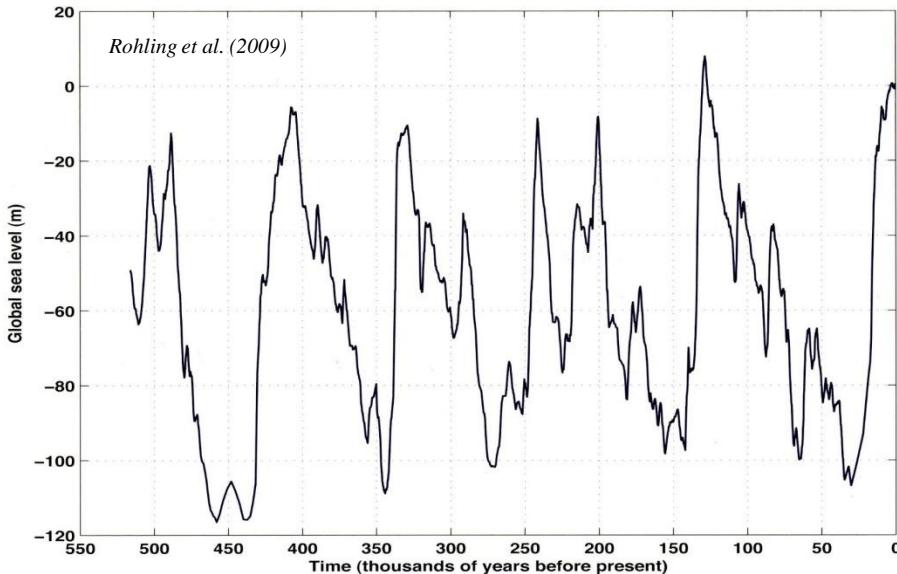


# La montée du niveau des océans : estimations et variabilité régionale

Guy Wöppelmann  
[gwoppelm@univ-lr.fr](mailto:gwoppelm@univ-lr.fr)

- Plan:
1. Contexte et observations disponibles
  2. Définition de la problématique
  3. Résultats et incertitudes

# 1. Ordres de grandeur & périmètre « géodésique »



# 1. Observations disponibles



P. de La Hire  
(1640-1718)

J. Picard  
(1620-1682)



**ECHELLE DE MAREE**  
 $1\text{cm} < \sigma < 3\text{cm}$



**MAREGRAPHE**  
 $5\text{mm} < \sigma < 1\text{cm}$



**PRESSION**

$5\text{mm} < \sigma < 1\text{cm}$



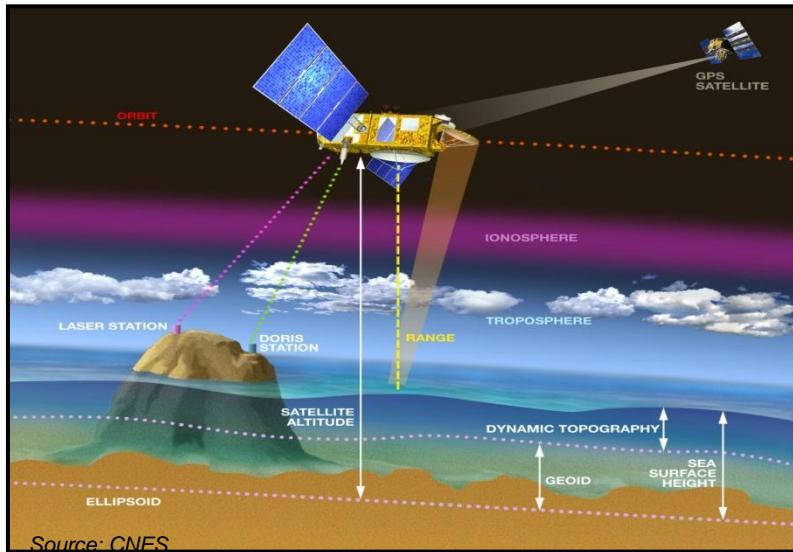
**Bouée GPS**  
 $? < \sigma < ?$



**RADAR**

$1\text{mm} < \sigma < 5\text{mm}$

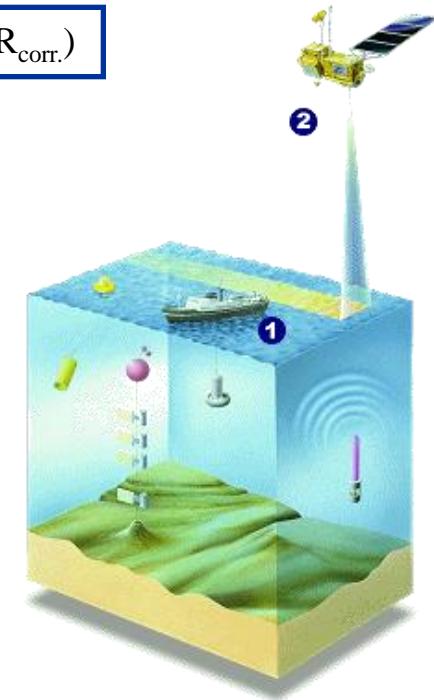
# 1. Altimétrie radar embarquée sur satellite



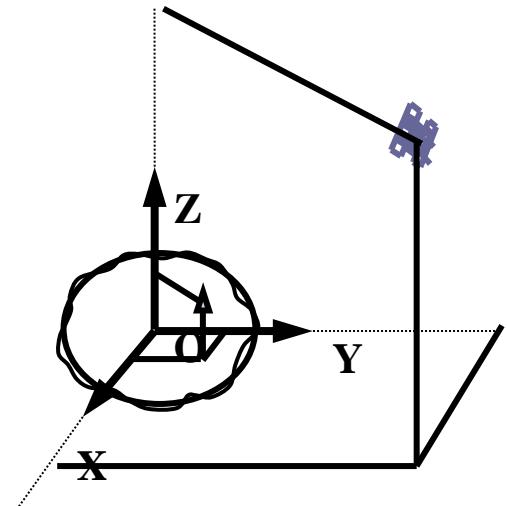
Sputnik (4/10/1957)



$$h_{\text{sea-level}} = h_{\text{sat.}} - (R_{\text{mes.}} - \Delta R_{\text{corr.}})$$

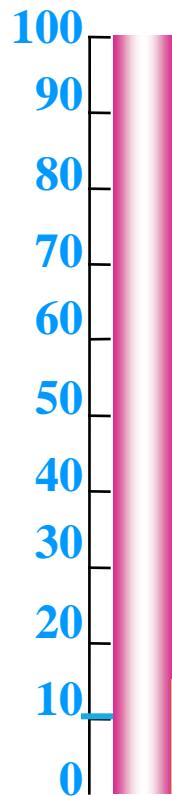


Satellites	Période
Skylab (navette)	1973
GEOS 3	1975 – 1978
SeaSat	1978 (3 mois)
GEOSAT	1985 – 1989
ERS-1	1991 – 1996
<b>TOPEX-POSEIDON</b>	<b>1992 – 2005</b>
ERS-2	1995 – 2003...
GFO	1998 – 2008
JASON-1	Déc. 2001 – ...
ENVISAT	Mars 2002 – ...
JASON-2	Juin 2008 – ...



# 1. Bilan d'erreur des missions d'altimétrie spatiale

Centimètres



GEOS 3

843 km

115°

Different cycles de  
répétition

SEASAT

800 km

108°

3 jours

GEOSAT

800 km

108°

17 jours

ERS-1

780 km

98,5°

35 jours  
(3/168)

T/P  
(before launch)

1336 km

66°

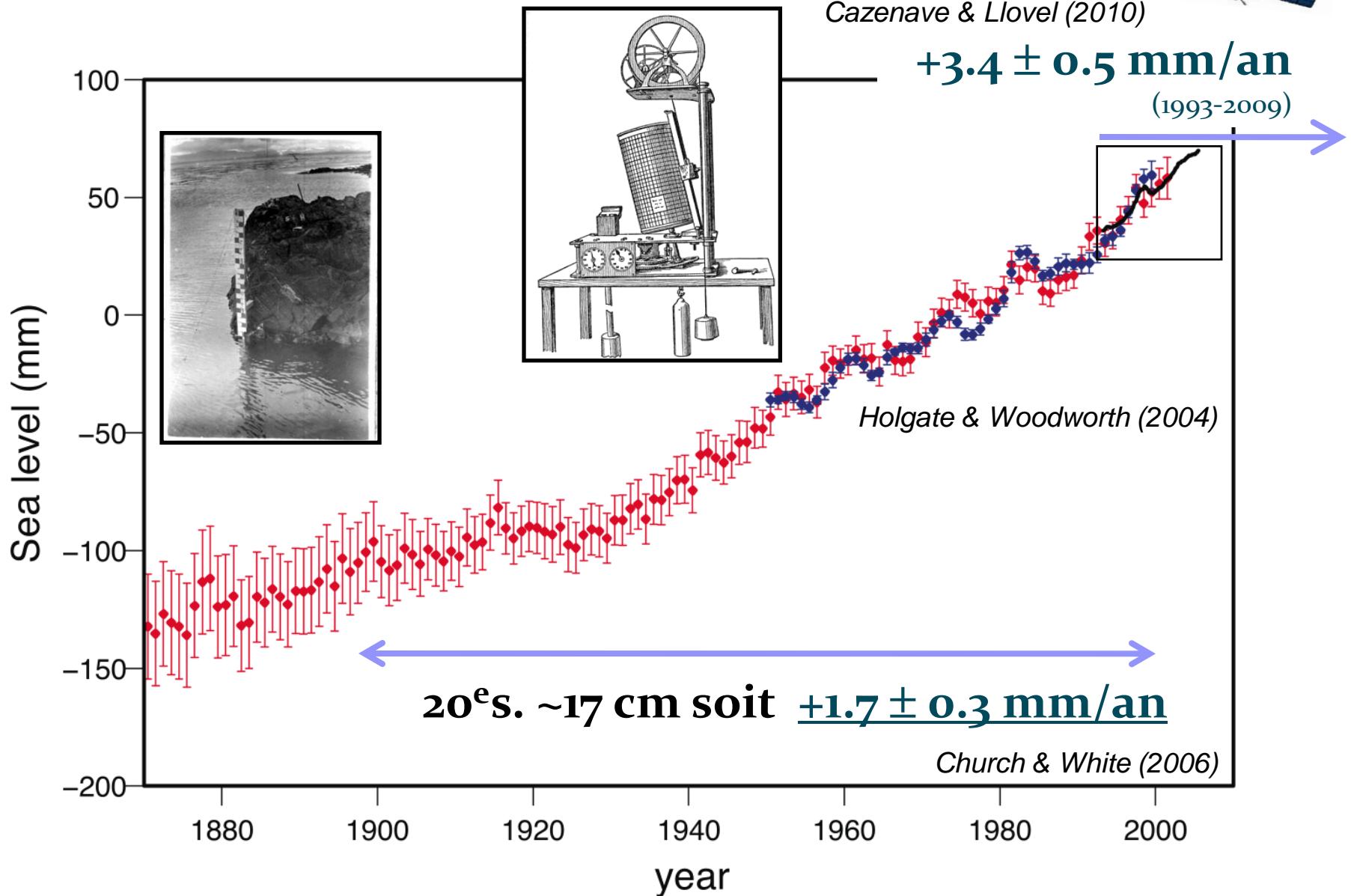
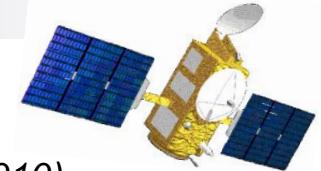
9,95 jours

- Erreur orbite
- Erreur altimètre
- Ionosphère
- Troposphère
- Biais EM



Signal océanique

## 2. Évolution récente du niveau des océans

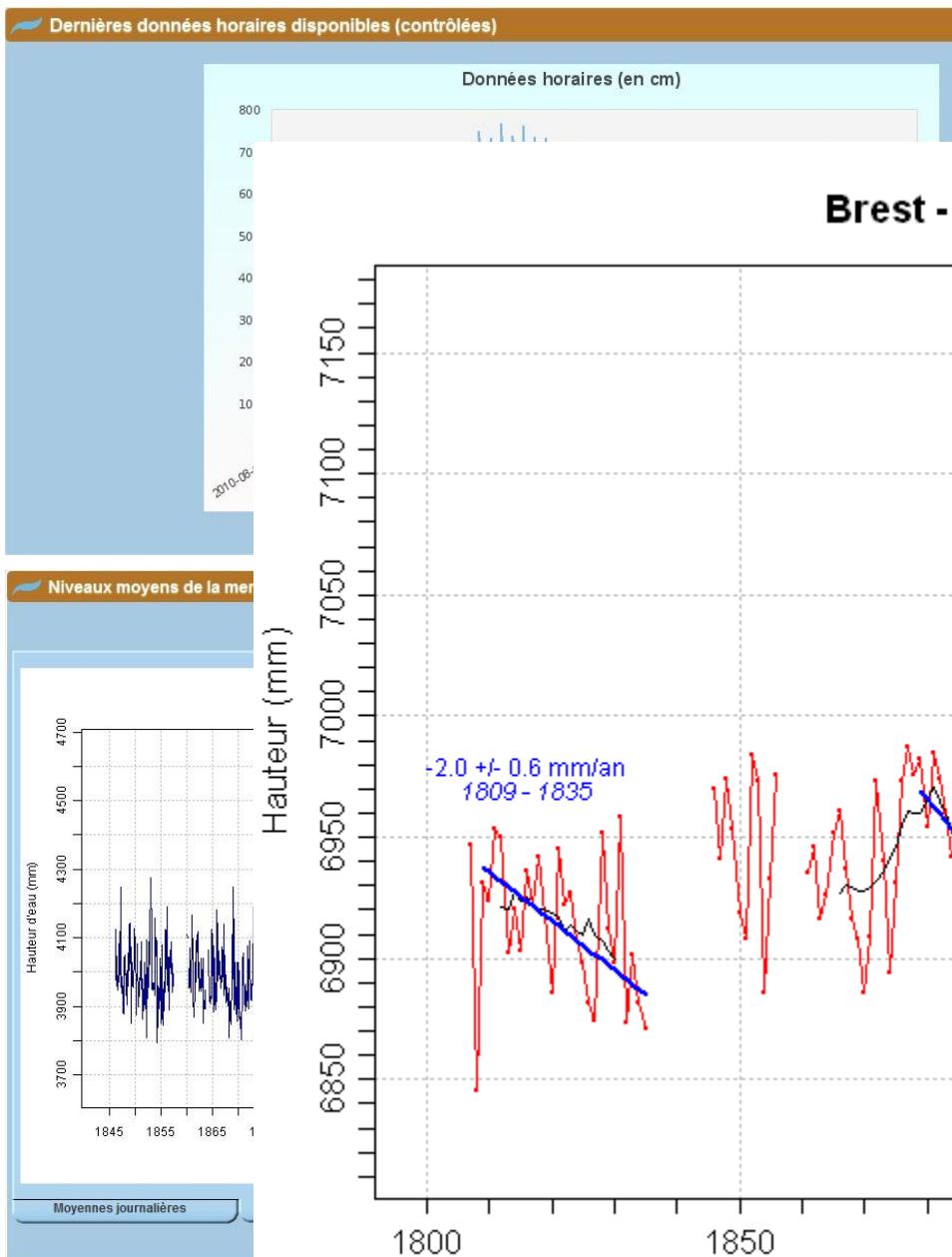


## 2. Définition de la problématique

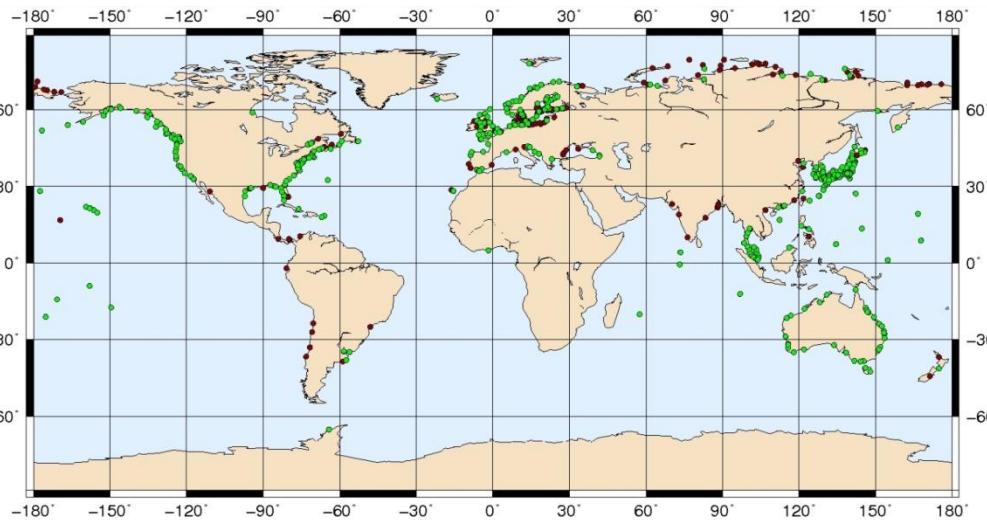


**SONEL**

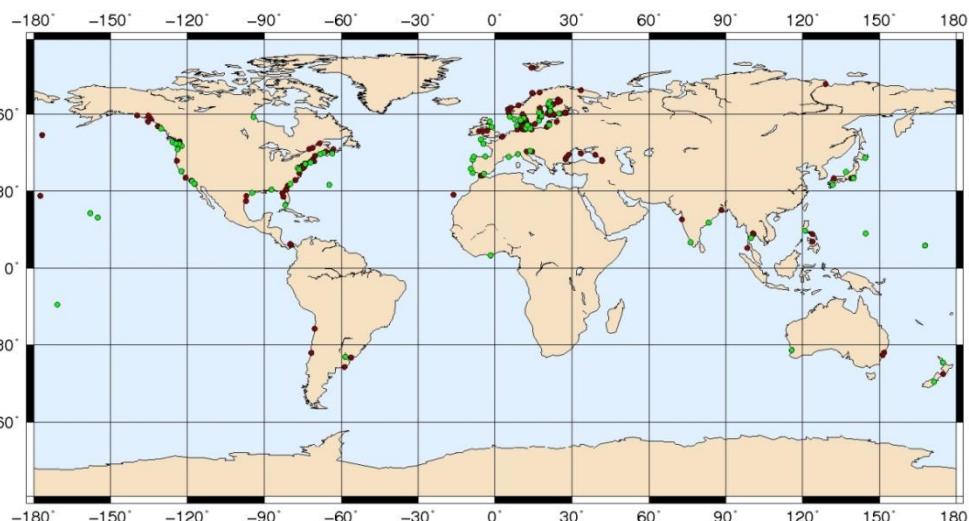
<http://www.sonel.org/-Maregraphes-.html>



## 2. Variabilité temporelle : Contraintes & Limites



Marégraphes avec plus de 20 ans de données (PSMSL)



Marégraphes avec plus de 60 ans de données (PSMSL)

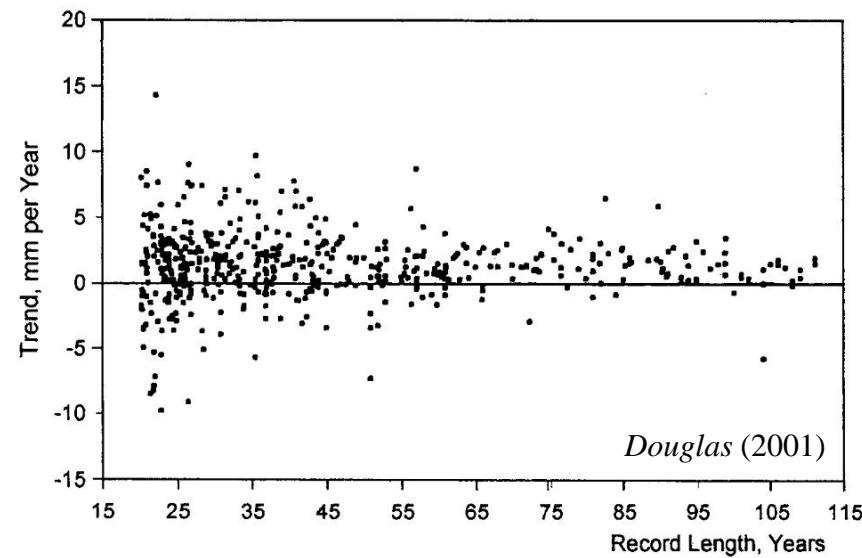
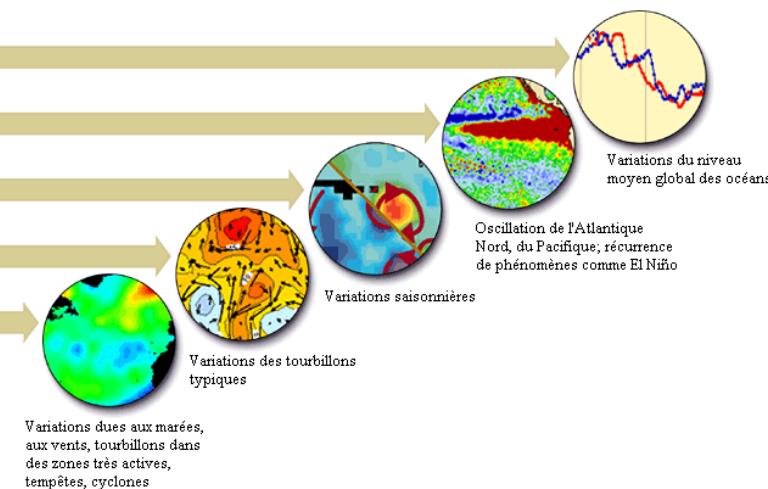
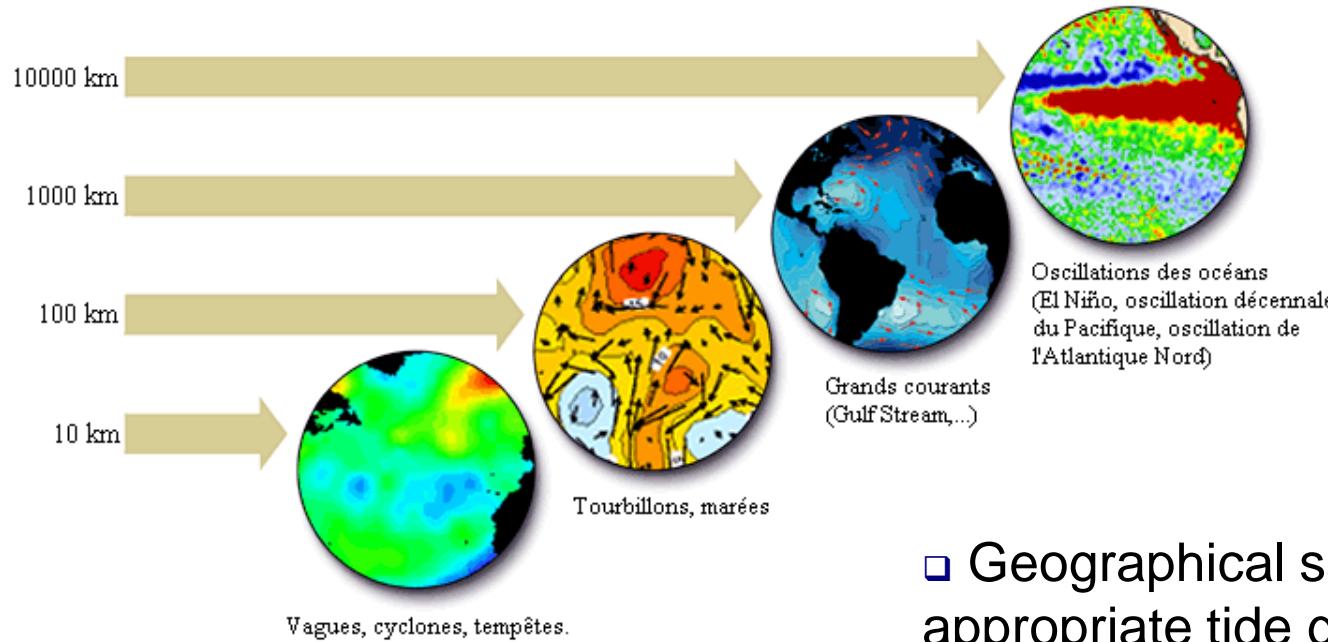


Figure 3.11 RLR-site sea level trends corrected for glacial isostatic adjustment.



## 2. Variabilité spatiale...

Global (40000 km) : Variations du niveau moyen



Oscillations des océans  
(El Niño, oscillation décennale  
du Pacifique, oscillation de  
l'Atlantique Nord)

Grands courants  
(Gulf Stream,...)

Tourbillons, marées

Vagues, cyclones, tempêtes.

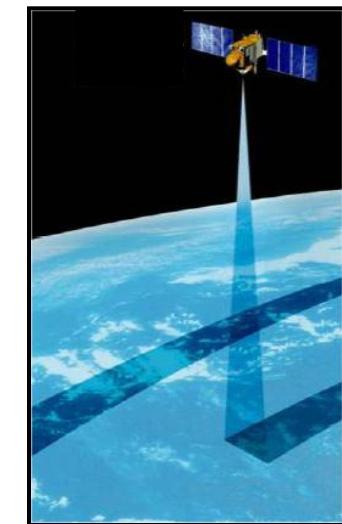
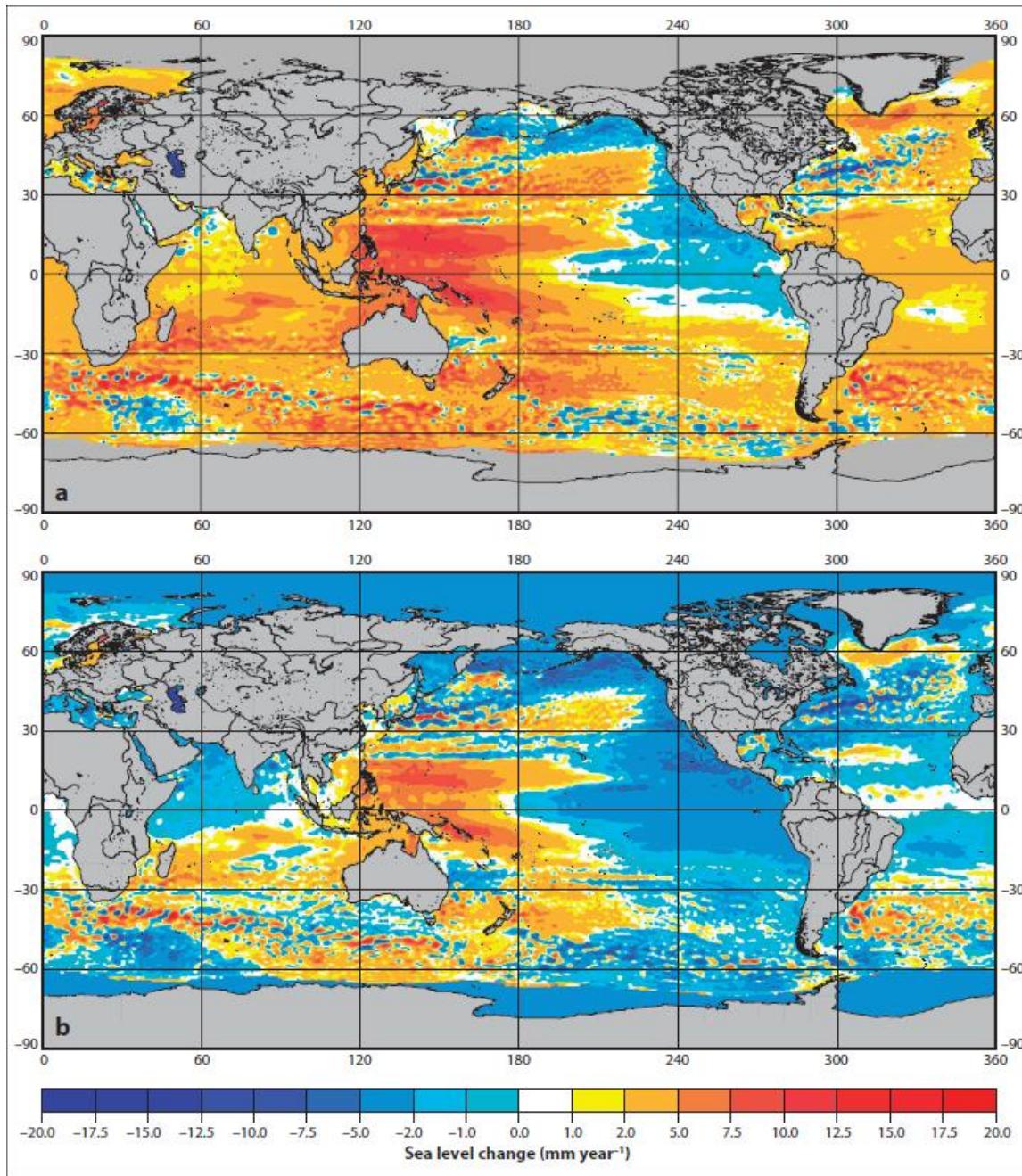
### □ Douglas (2001) criteria:

- Tide gauge records longer than 60yr
- 85% of valide data
- Regional grouping
- GIA corrections (Peltier 2001)
- **$1.84 \pm 0.35 \text{ mm/an}$**  (~ Douglas, 1991)

### □ Geographical sampling of appropriate tide gauge records:

- Non uniform coverage of long-term tide gauge records
- **Northern hemisphere coastal sea-level change...**

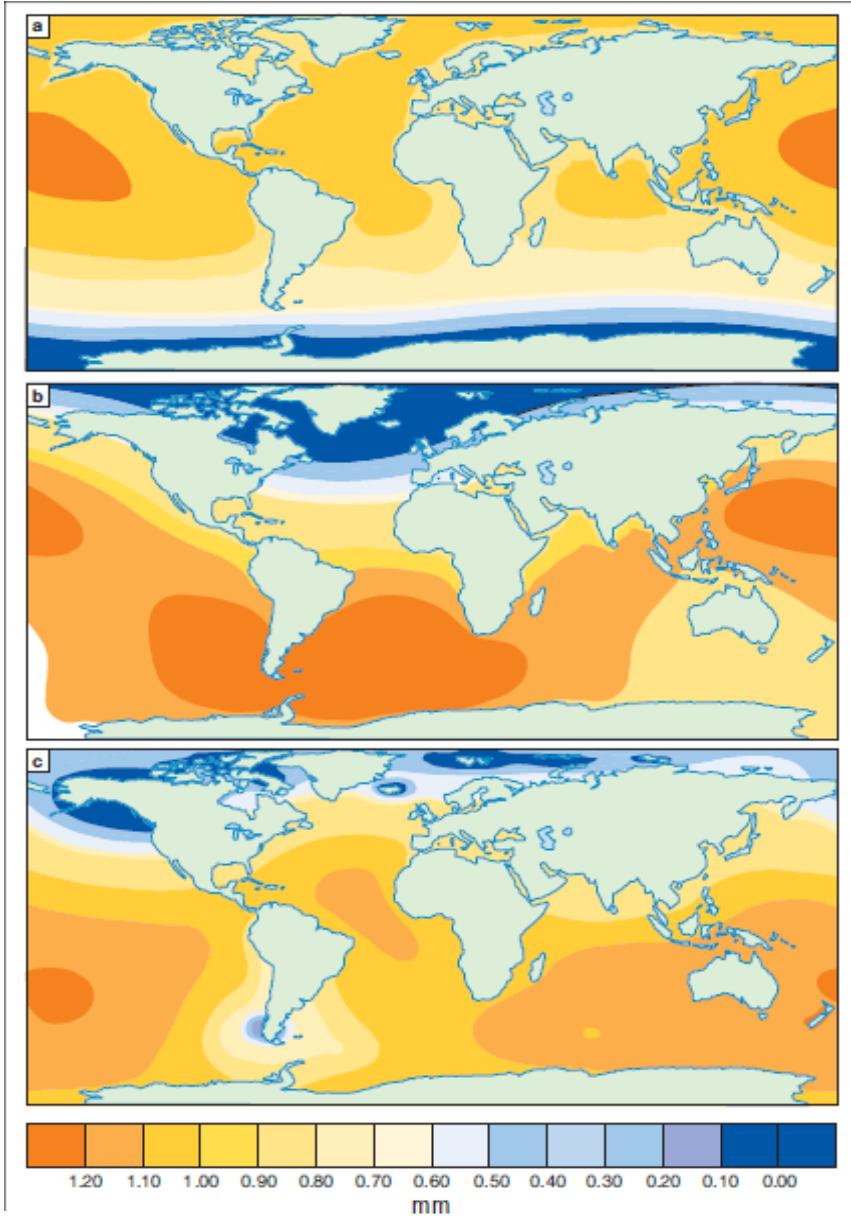
# Distribution géographique des vitesses de niveau de la mer (1993-2008)



Idem que ci-dessus mais avec retrait d'une tendance globale et uniforme de 3.4 mm/an.

## 2. Empreintes géographiques de la fonte des glaces

(The “fingerprint” issue)



Mitrovica et al. (2001)

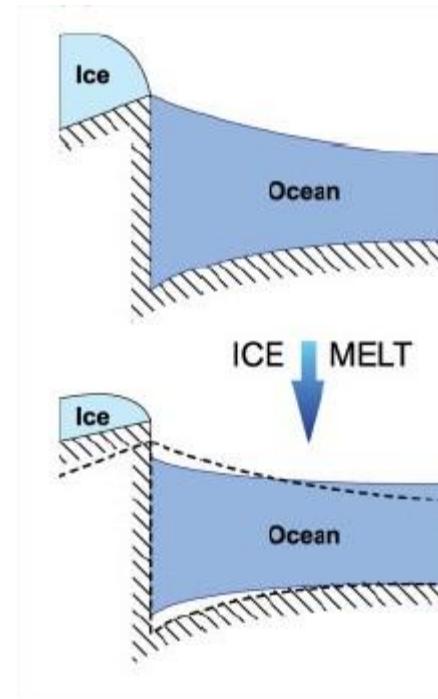


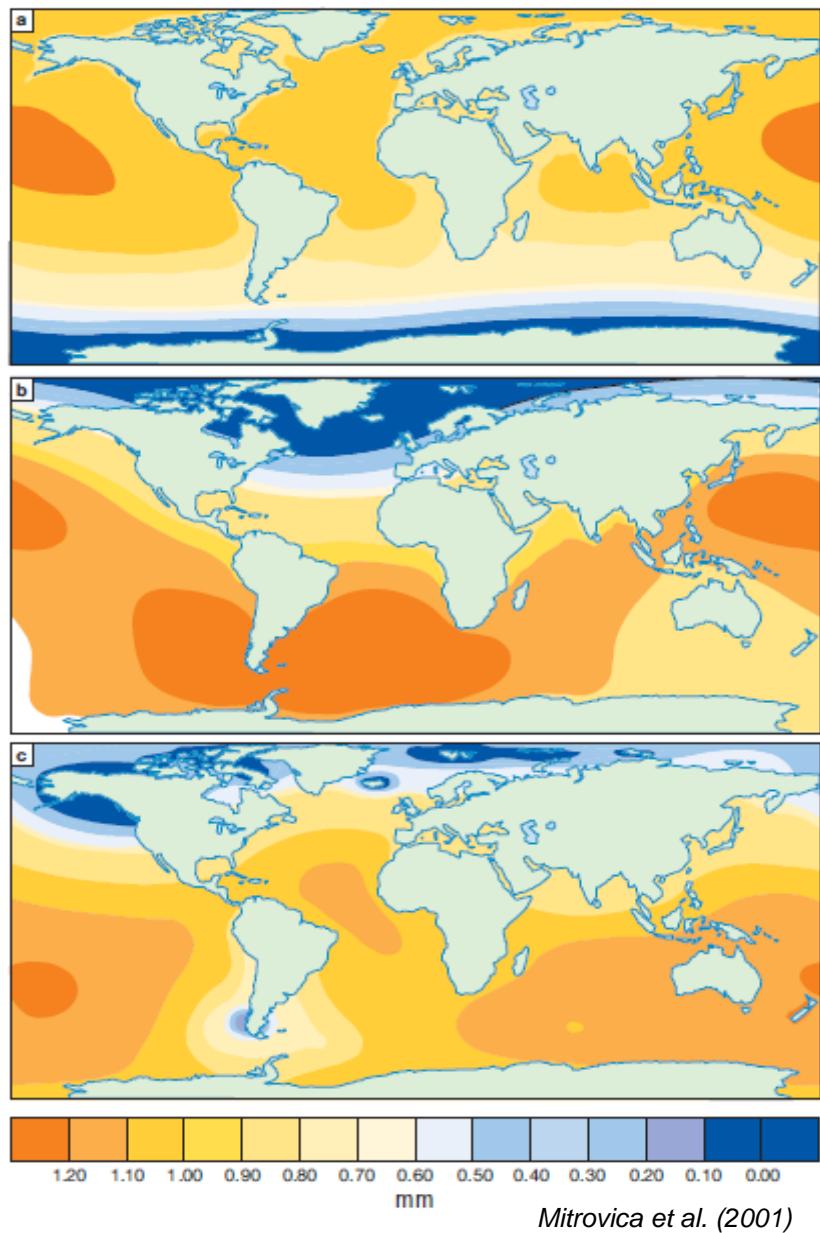
Illustration: fonte de l'équivalent de 1mm/an

- a. Antarctique
- b. Groenland
- c. Glaciers de montagne

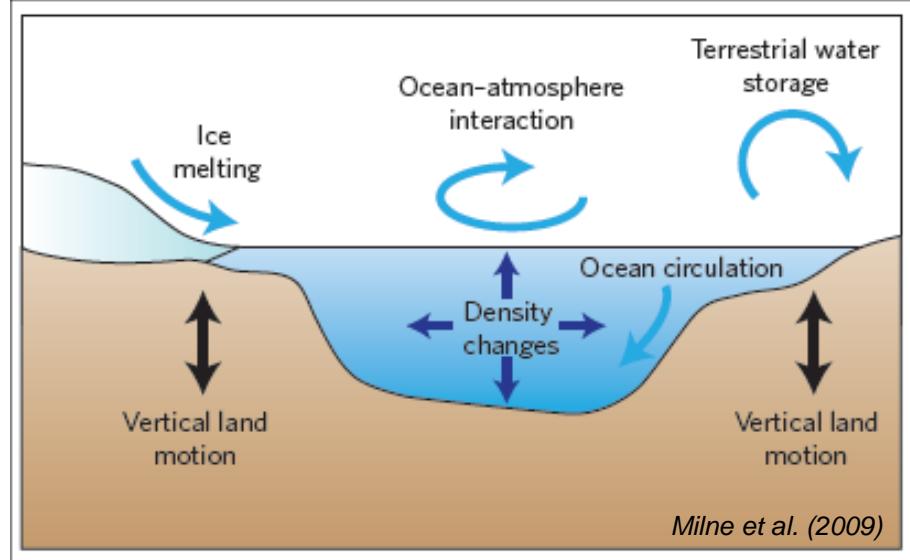
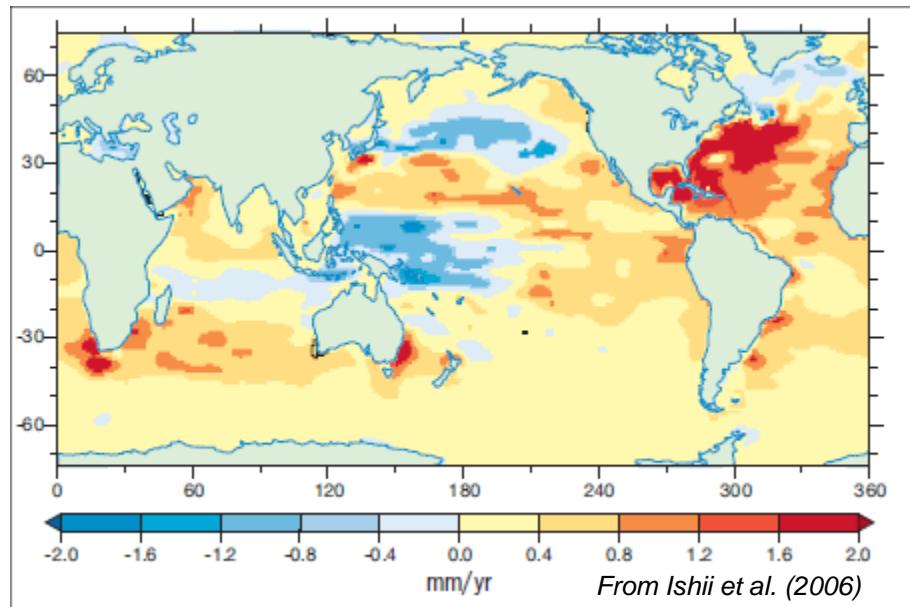
Projet CECILE (ANR)

Évidences observationnelles des empreintes  
prédites par la théorie? (WP3)

## 2. Empreintes spatiales: évidence observationnelle?

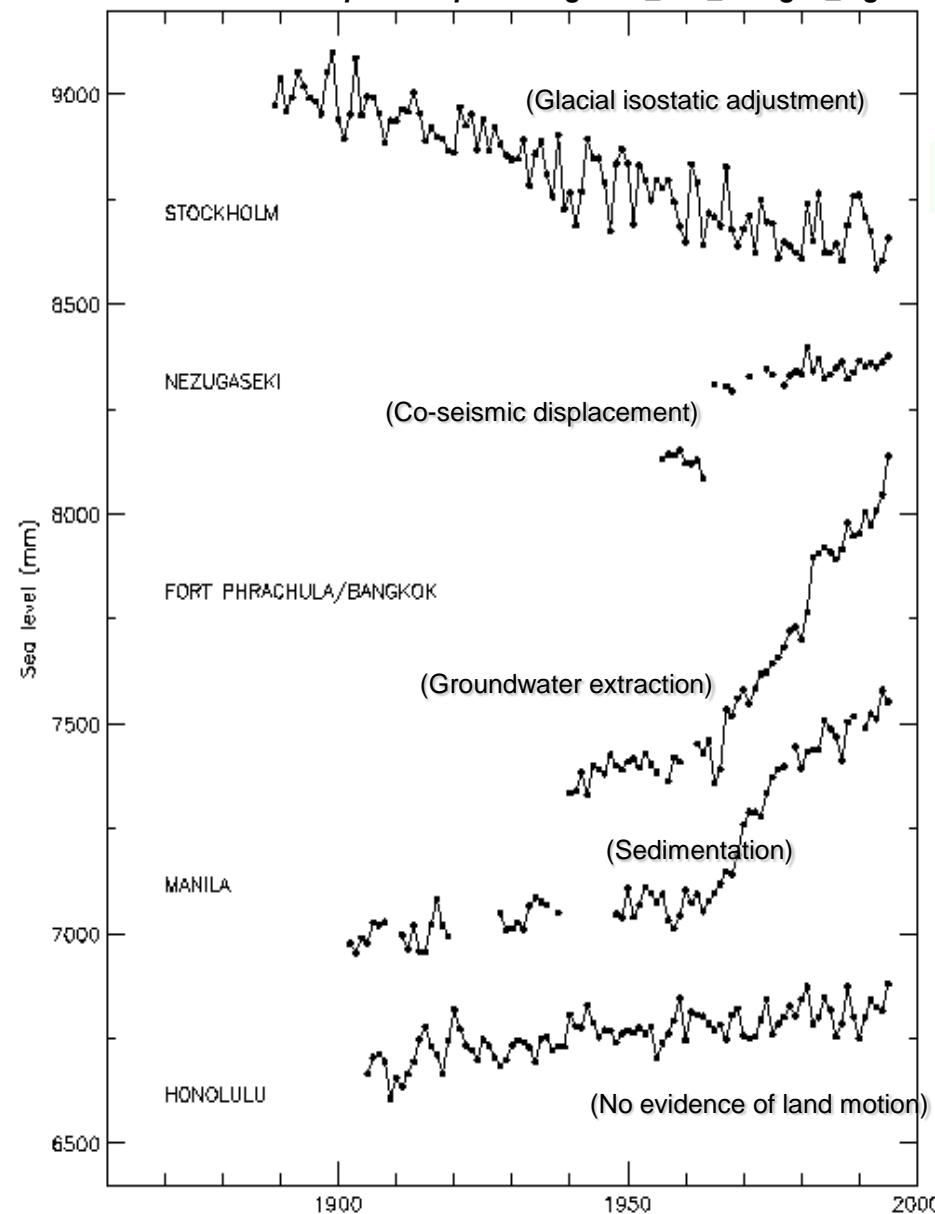


Une complexité accrue...



## 2. Empreintes spatiales: évidence observationnelle?

Source PSMSL: [http://www.psmsl.org/train\\_and\\_info/geo\\_signals/](http://www.psmsl.org/train_and_info/geo_signals/)



Tide Gauge Station

Land movements

Climate contributions

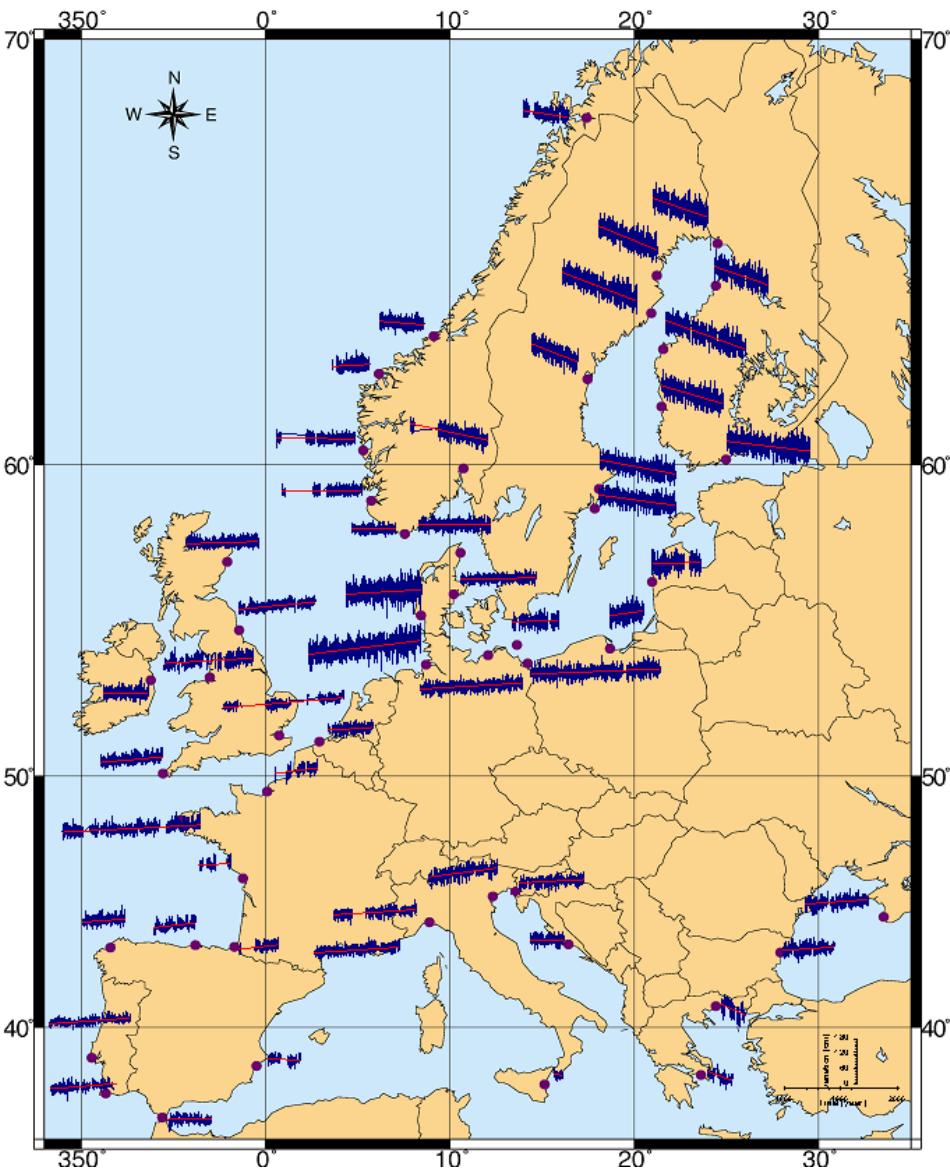
Sea Surface

Bedrock crust

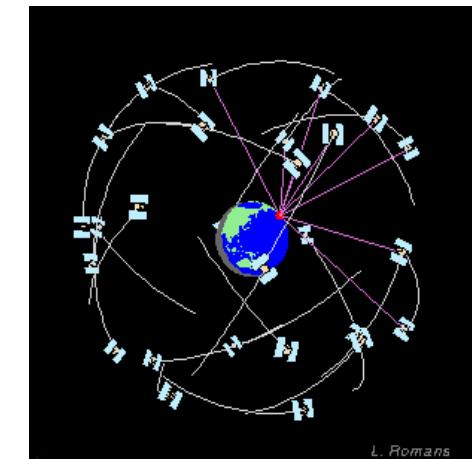
### □ Challenges

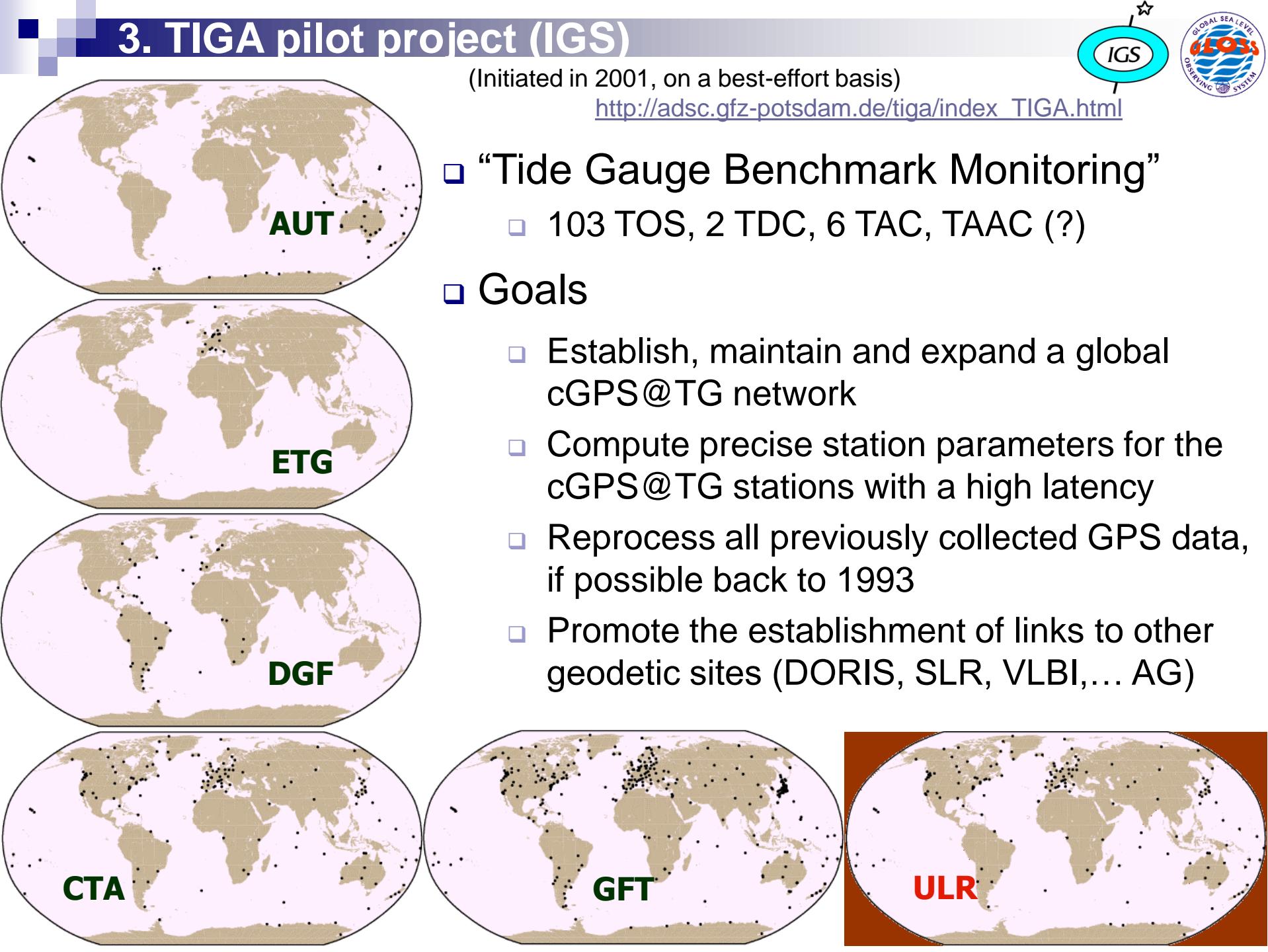
- Rates in sea-level change: ~1-2 mm/yr
- Standard errors several times smaller to be useful in those studies!
- Coastal management: climate sea level predictions + land movements

# Comment déterminer les mouvements verticaux?



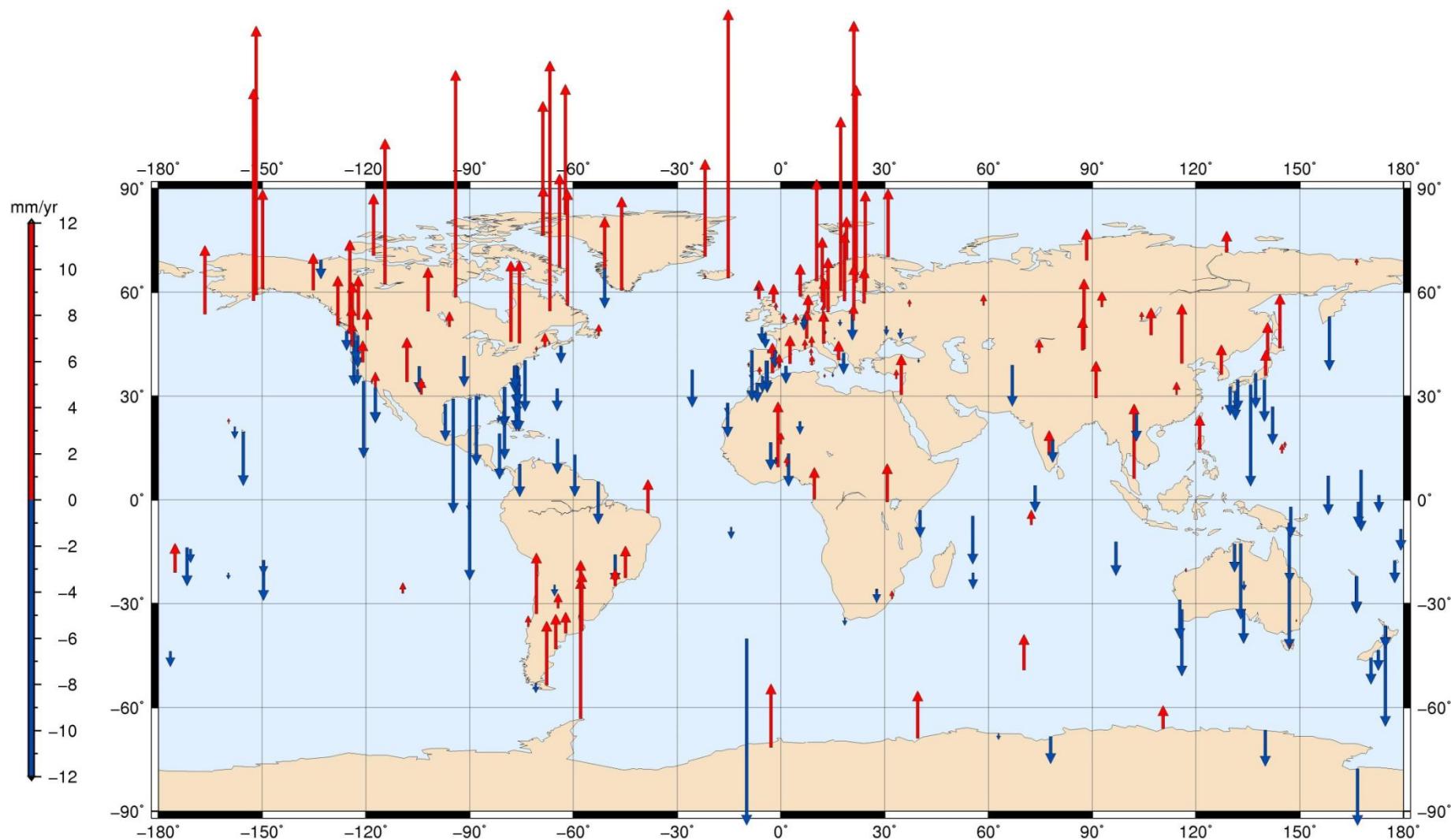
- Model predictions (GIA)
  - Uncertainties in the main geophysical parameters (lithospheric thickness, mantle viscosity...)
  - Imprecise knowledge of Earth's ice history
  - *What about other movements?*
  
- Measure (if one can...)
  - Introduction of GPS in continuous mode: CGPS@TG
  - Need for a stable and accurate reference frame



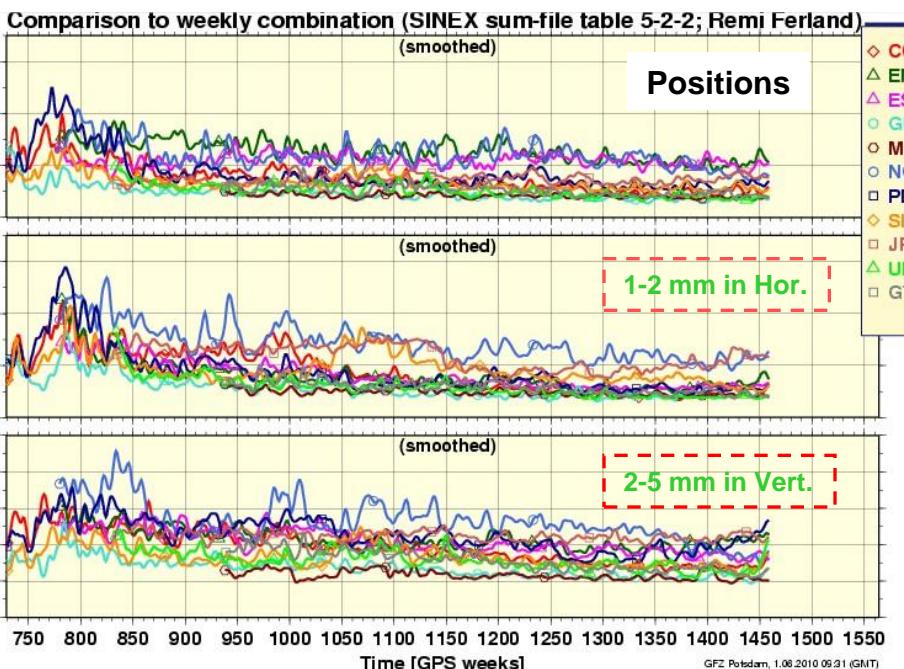
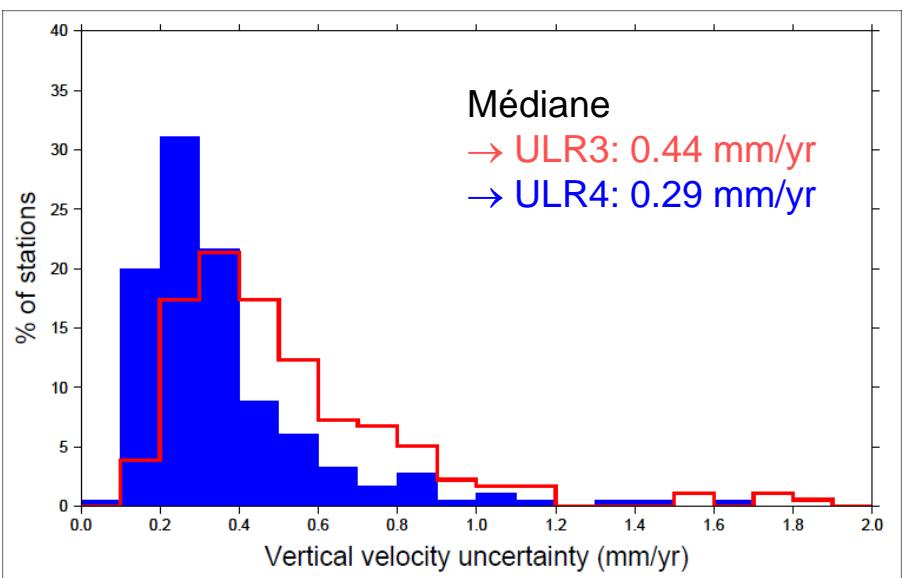
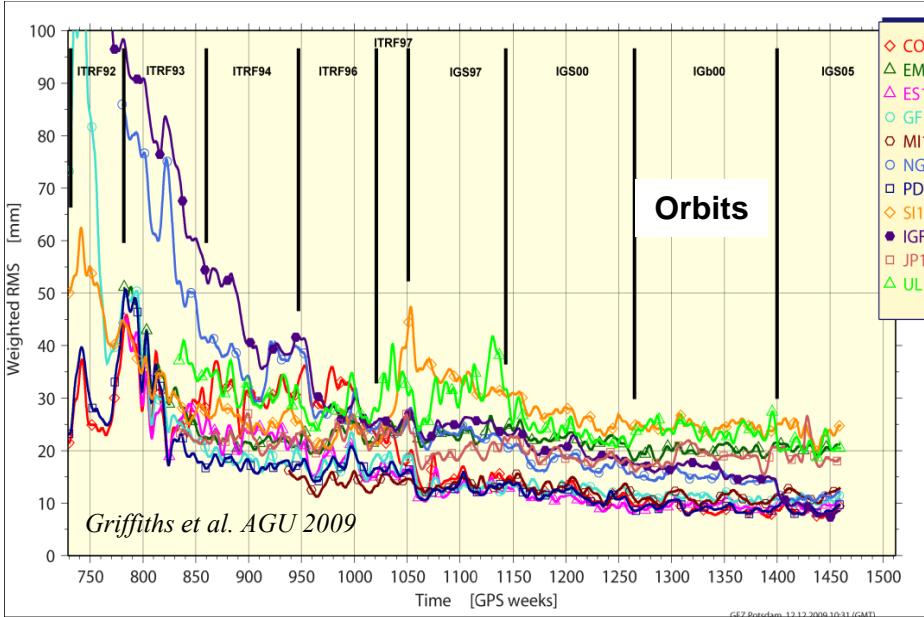
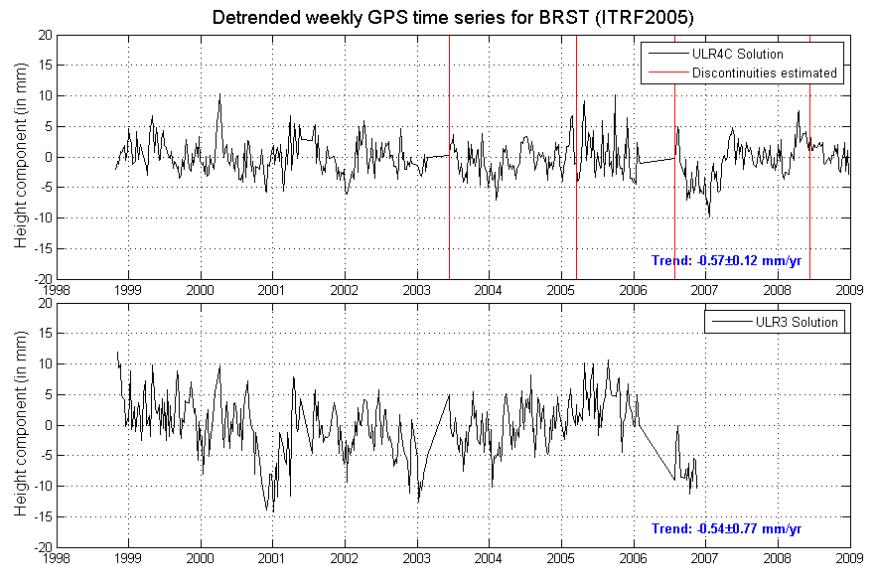


### 3. Dernière solution ULR (Ph-D. Santamaria-Gomez)

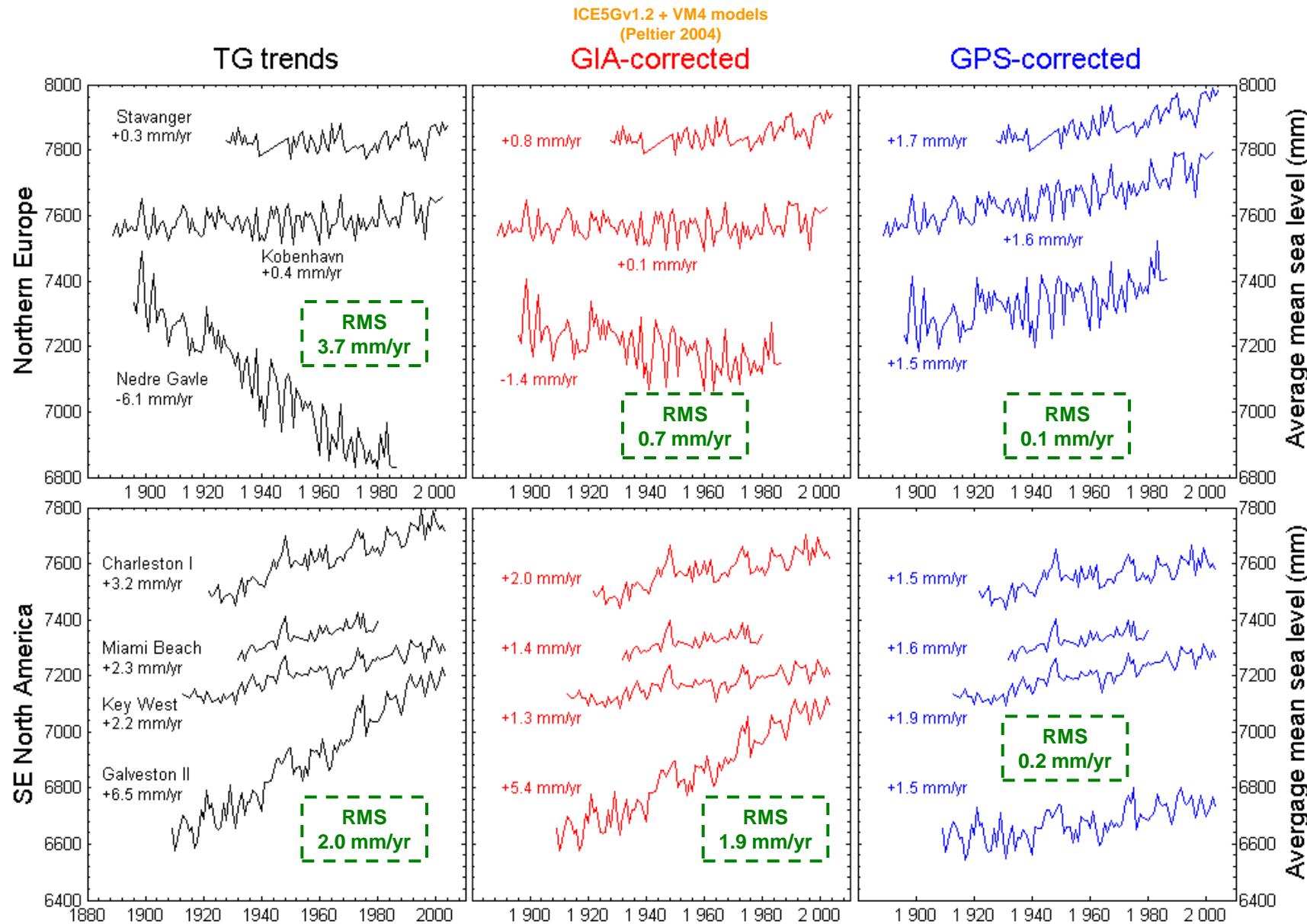
Santamaria-Gomez et al. (2011, JGR)



### 3. Dernière solution ULR (Ph-D. Santamaria-Gomez)



### 3. GPS velocities at TG... How well do they work?



For details: Wöppelmann et al. (2009) in *Geophys. Res. Lett.*

Rationale in *Global and Planetary Change* (Wöppelmann et al. 2007)

# Limits: Working hypotheses

- Working hypotheses

- 1. Land movements are linear over the tide gauge records length
  - 2. GPS antenna vertical movement  $\leftrightarrow$  Tide gauge land movement

- Geological evidence

- tectonically active zones...

- Indirect evidence (Douglas, 2001):

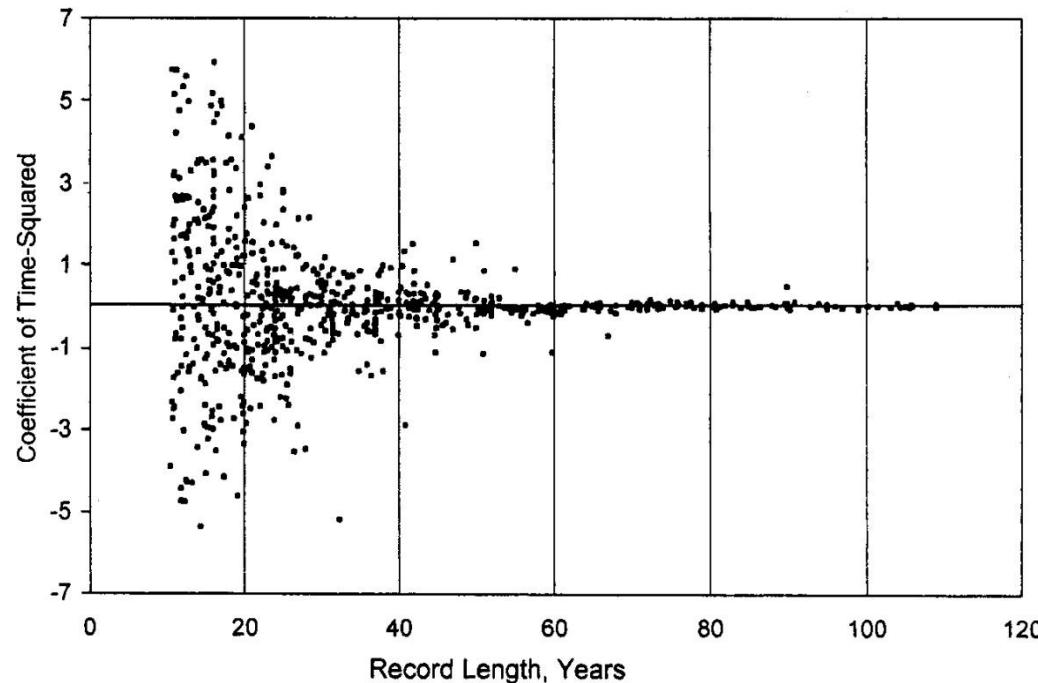


Figure 3.16 Acceleration component of relative sea levels.

### 3. GPS velocities at TG... How well do they work?

	TG	TG-GIA	TG+GPS (mm/yr)			
Solution	-	Peltier (2004) ICE-5G VM4	ULR1 ITRF2000 1999.0-2005.7	ULR2 ITRF2000 1997.0-2006.9	ULR3 ITRF2005 1997.0-2006.9	ULR4 ITRF2005 1996.0-2009.0
Sea level trends scatter (indiv.)	2.05	1.49	1.15	1.06	0.98	0.59
Sea level trends scatter (region.)	1.37	0.98	0.91	0.83	0.60	0.55
GSL trend		$1.83 \pm 0.21$	$1.31 \pm 0.30$	$1.38 \pm 0.28$	$1.61 \pm 0.19$	$1.34 \pm 0.12$

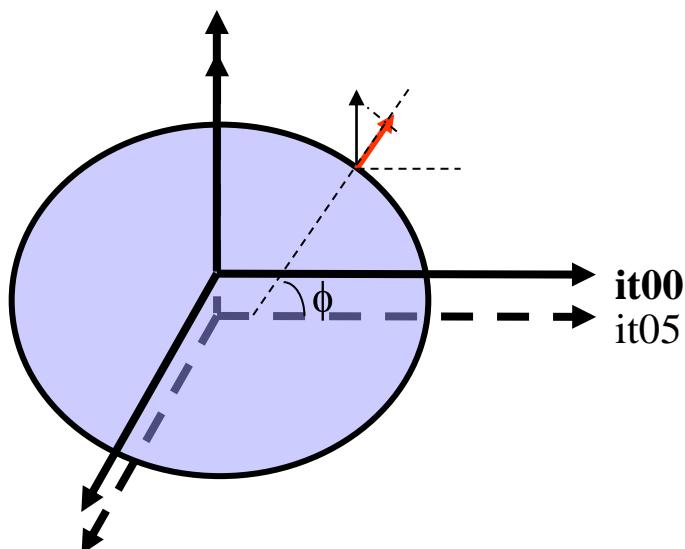
Wöppelmann et al.  
 (2007) in *GPC*      Wöppelmann et al.  
 (2009) in *GRL*      Santamaria-Gomez  
 et al. (2011) in *JGR*

□ Douglas (2001) criteria:

- Tide gauge records longer than 60yr
  - 85% of valid data
  - Regional grouping
  - GIA corrections (Peltier 2001)
  - **$1.84 \pm 0.35$  mm/an**
- 
- 27 records grouped into 10 regions

### 3. Reference frame impact on GSLR estimates?

	TG	TG-GIA	TG+GPS (mm/yr)			
Solution	-	Peltier (2004) ICE-5G VM4	ULR1 ITRF2000 1999.0-2005.7	ULR2 ITRF2000 1997.0-2006.9	ULR3 ITRF2005 1997.0-2006.9	ULR4 ITRF2005 1996.0-2009.0
Sea level trends scatter (indiv.)	2.05	1.49	1.15	1.06	0.98	0.59
Sea level trends scatter (region.)	1.37	0.98	0.91	0.83	0.60	0.55
GSL trend		$1.83 \pm 0.21$	$1.31 \pm 0.30$	$1.38 \pm 0.28$	$1.61 \pm 0.19$	$1.34 \pm 0.12$



Impact on the vertical velocities...

$$\Delta \frac{dS}{dt}(\Delta \dot{T}, \Delta \dot{d}) = \Delta \dot{d} + \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} p_{i,j} G(\lambda_{ij}, \phi_{ij}) \right] \cdot \Delta \dot{T}$$

(Collilieux & Wöppelmann, 2011)

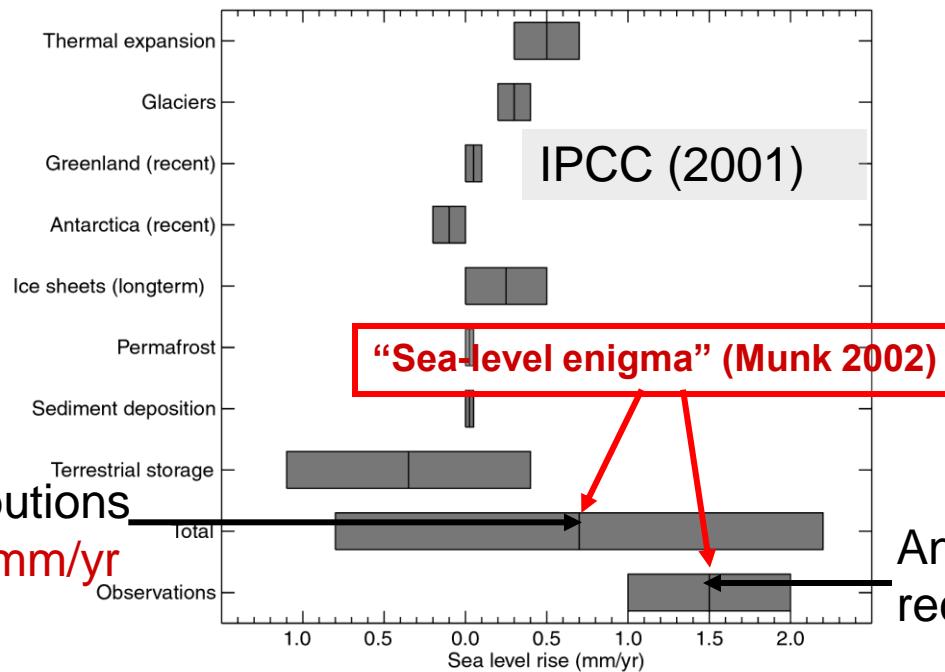
using:  $\Delta T_z \approx 0.5-1.0 \text{ mm/yr}$

$\Delta d = 0.5 \text{ mm/yr}$

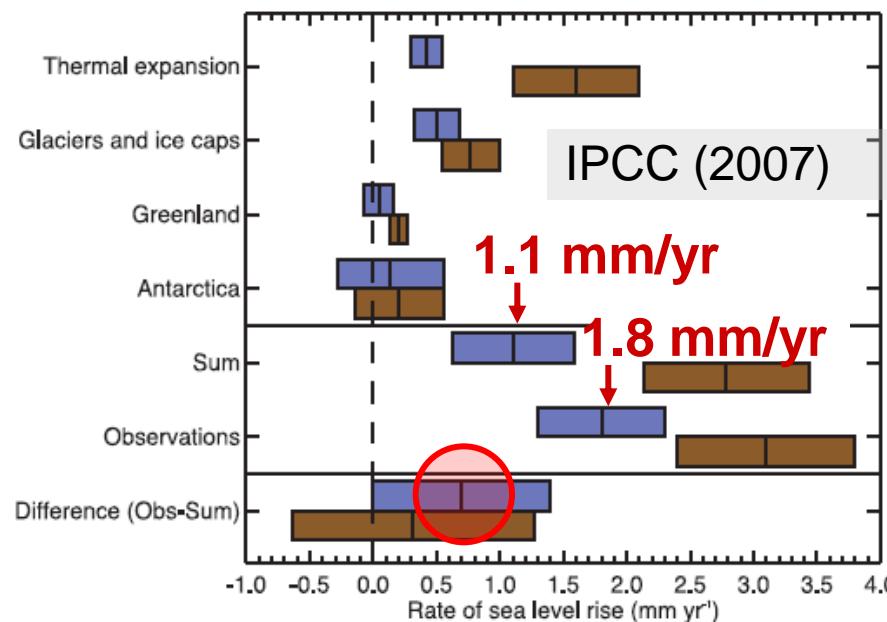
$\rightarrow 1.6 \pm 0.7 \text{ mm/yr}$

### 3. “Sea level enigma” (Munk 2002)

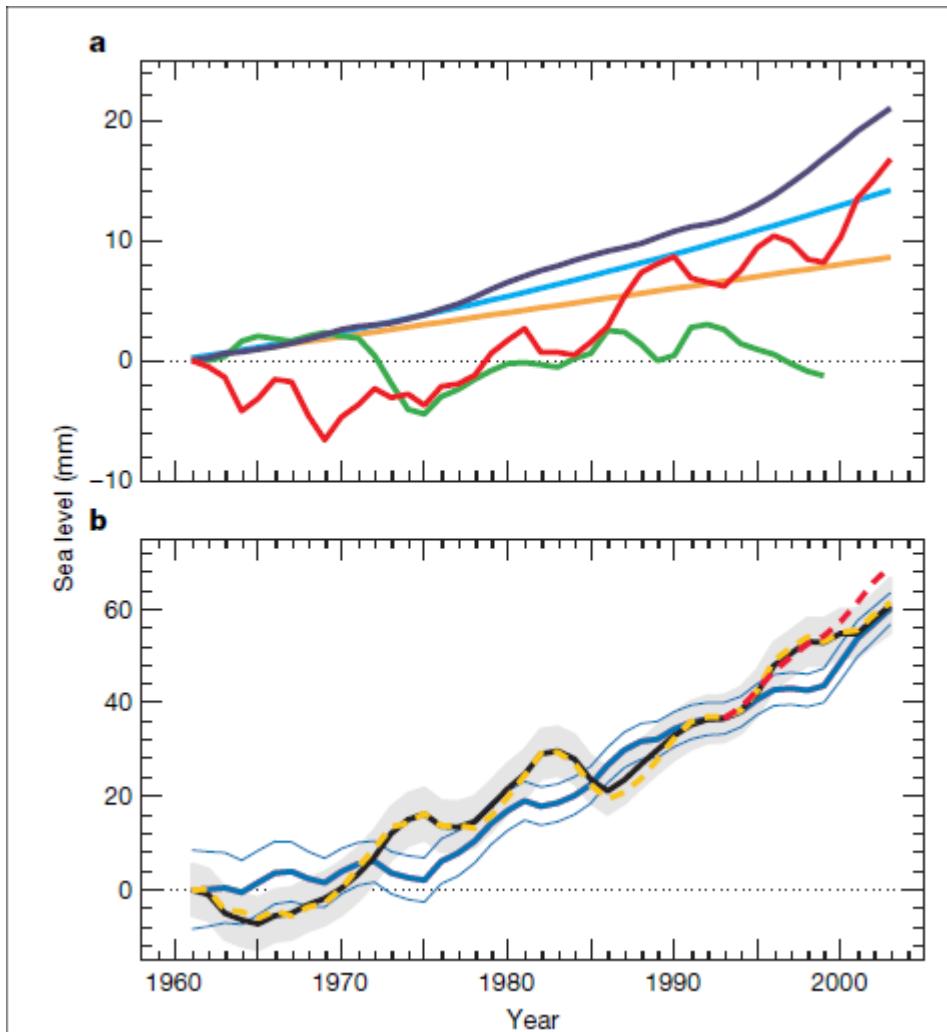
Sum of climatic contributions  
to sea level rise: ~0.7mm/yr



Analyses of tide gauge  
records ~1.5mm/yr



### 3. Budget 1961 – 2003 par Domingues et al. (2008)



→ Contributions:

- ◆ Groenland et Antarctique
- ◆ Autres calottes et glaciers alpins
- ◆ Dilatation thermique de 0-700m
- ◆ Dilatation océan profond
- ◆ Réservoirs d'eau terrestre

→ Somme des composantes vs Observations:

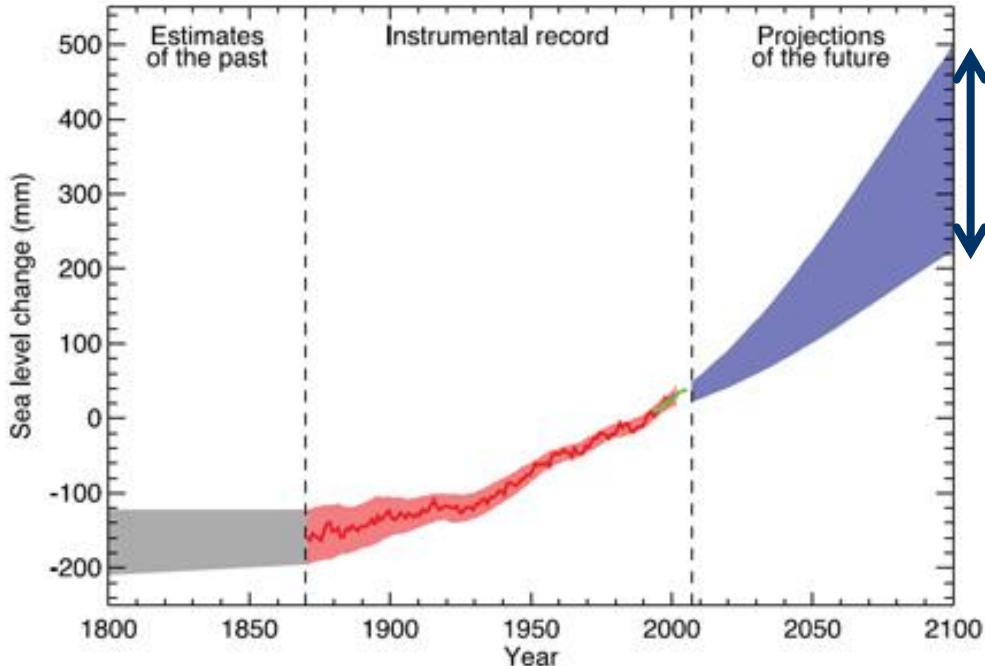
- ◆ Somme des composantes en a)
- ◆ Jevrejeva et al. (2006)
- ◆ Altimétrie radar embarquée sur satellite
- ◆ Cette étude (Domingues et al. 2008)

Soit,

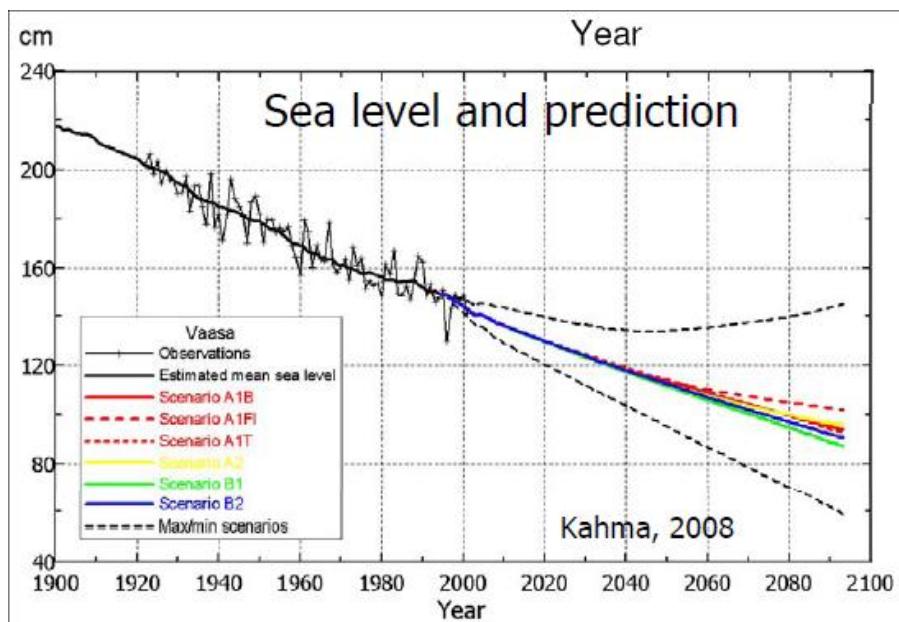
$1.5 \pm 0.4 \text{ mm/yr}$  (Somme des contributions)

$1.6 \pm 0.2 \text{ mm/yr}$  (Observations)

# De l'importance des mouvements à la côte

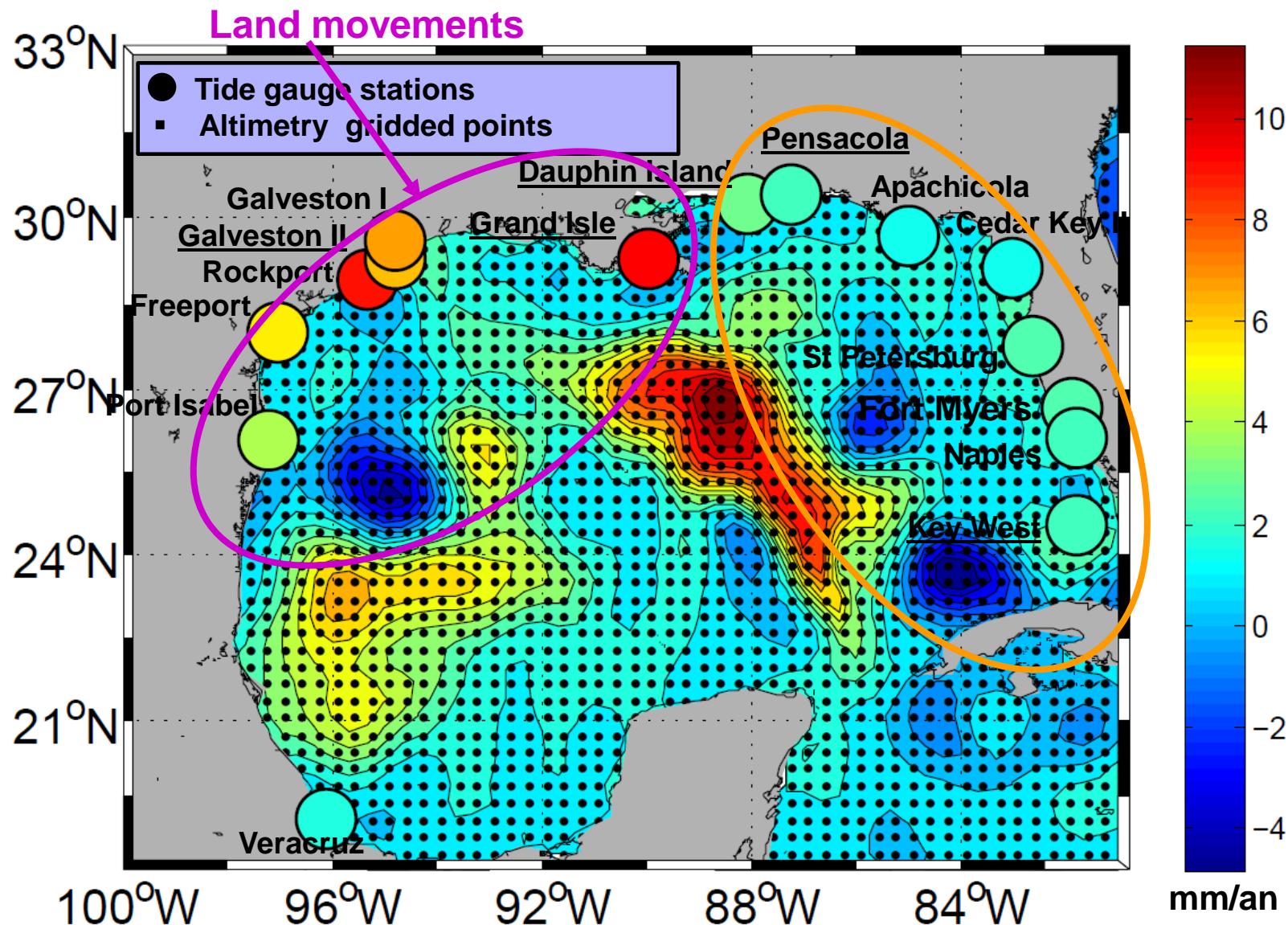


<http://www.sonel.org/~GPS-.html>



$+8.6 \pm 0.2 \text{ mm/yr}$  (GPS ULR4)

# Cas inverse: Grand Isle (+9.2 mm/an)

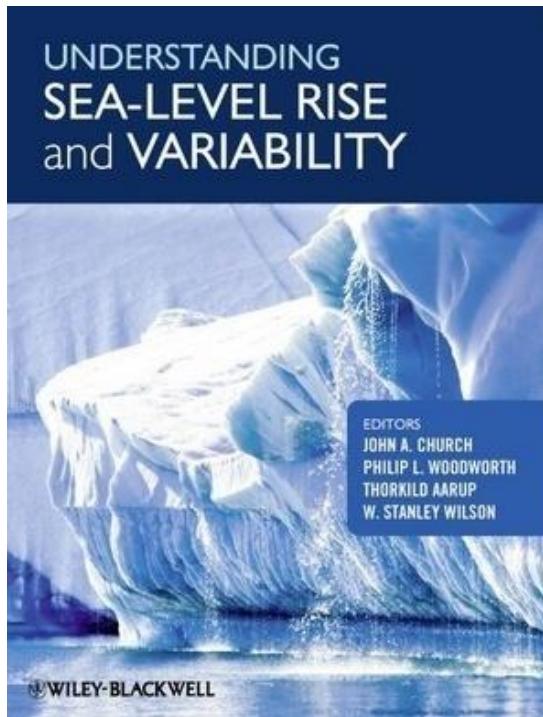


# Quelques conclusions

- Une grandeur fondamentale au carrefour des disciplines
  - des enjeux scientifiques (changement climatique, tempêtes,...)
  - et des impacts économiques et sociaux considérables!
- Des résultats impossibles sans une observation pérenne, continue, de qualité revue et confrontée régulièrement (transitions technologiques), archivée et accessible (supports, métadonnées)
- Un bilan global clôt sur la période satellitaire (1992-...) Contributions climatiques *versus* observations directes
- Empreintes géographiques: global  $\neq$  local
  - les prédictions climatiques ne sont pas suffisantes
  - importance des mouvements verticaux à la côte
- La France, très regardée au niveau international (GLOSS)
  - place conquise grâce à Topex/Poseidon,... (CNES)
  - des territoires un peu partout dans le globe (cf.sites GLOSS)

# Pour en savoir plus...

- Published papers in scientific journals
  - Santamaria-Gomez *et al.* (2011) in *Journal of Geophysical Research*
  - Collilieux & Wöppelmann (2011) in *Journal of Geodesy*
  - Bouin & Wöppelmann (2010) in *Geophysical Journal International*
  - Wöppelmann *et al.* (2009) in *Geophysical Research Letters*
  - Wöppelmann *et al.* (2007) in *Global & Planetary Change*
  - Wöppelmann *et al.* (2006) in *C.R. Geoscience*
- Others...
  - Cazenave & Llovel (2010) in *Annu. Rev. Marine Sci.*, pp. 145-173.
  - Domingues *et al.* (2008) in *Nature*, pp. 1090-1093.
  - Milne *et al.* (2009) in *Nature Geoscience*, pp. 471-478.
  - Woodworth (2006) in *Phil. Trans. R. Soc. A*, pp. 787-803.
  - ...



- Chap 1. Introduction
- Chap 2. Impacts of and Responses to Sea-Level Rise
- Chap 3. A First-Order Assessment of the Impact of Long-Term Trends in Extreme Sea Levels on Offshore Structures and Coastal Refineries
- Chap 4. Paleoenvironmental Records, Geophysical Modeling, and Reconstruction of Sea-Level Trends and Variability on Centennial and Longer Timescales
- Chap 5. Modern Sea-Level-Change Estimates
- Chap 6. Ocean Temperature and Salinity Contributions to Global and Regional Sea-Level Change
- Chap 7. Cryospheric Contributions to Sea-Level Rise and Variability
- Chap 8. Terrestrial Water-Storage Contributions to Sea-Level Rise and Variability
- Chap 9. Geodetic Observations and Global Reference Frame Contributions to Understanding Sea-Level Rise and Variability
- Chap 10. Surface Mass Loading on a Dynamic Earth: Complexity and Contamination in the Geodetic Analysis of Global Sea-Level Trends
- Chap 11. Past and Future Changes in Extreme Sea Levels and Waves
- Chap 12. Observing Systems Needed to Address Sea-Level Rise and Variability
- Chap 13. Sea-Level Rise and Variability: Synthesis and Outlook for the Future

