

Framework for Antarctic System Science in E3SM

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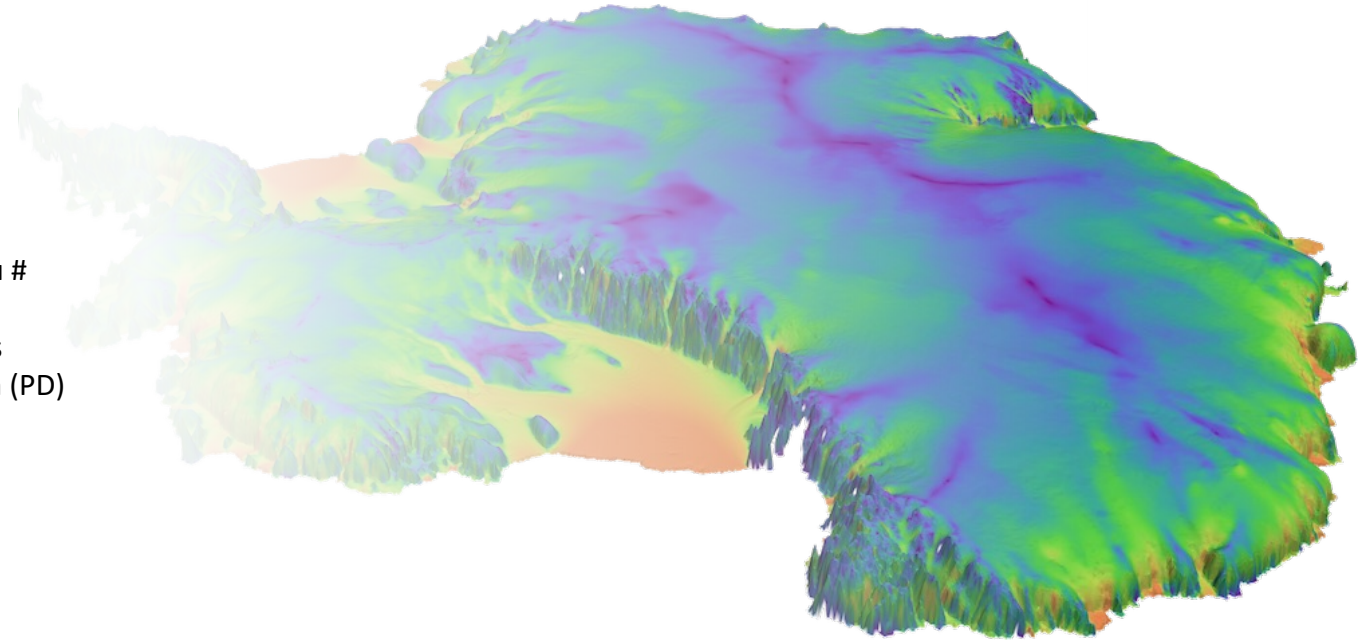
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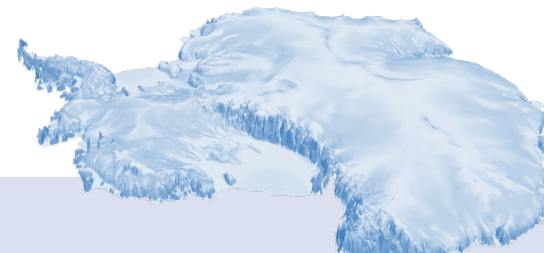
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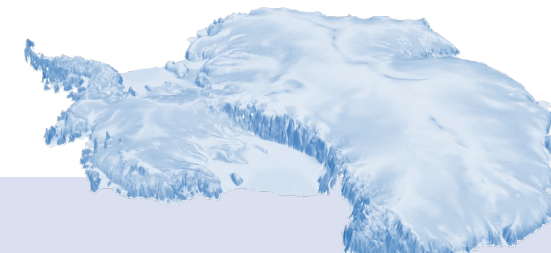
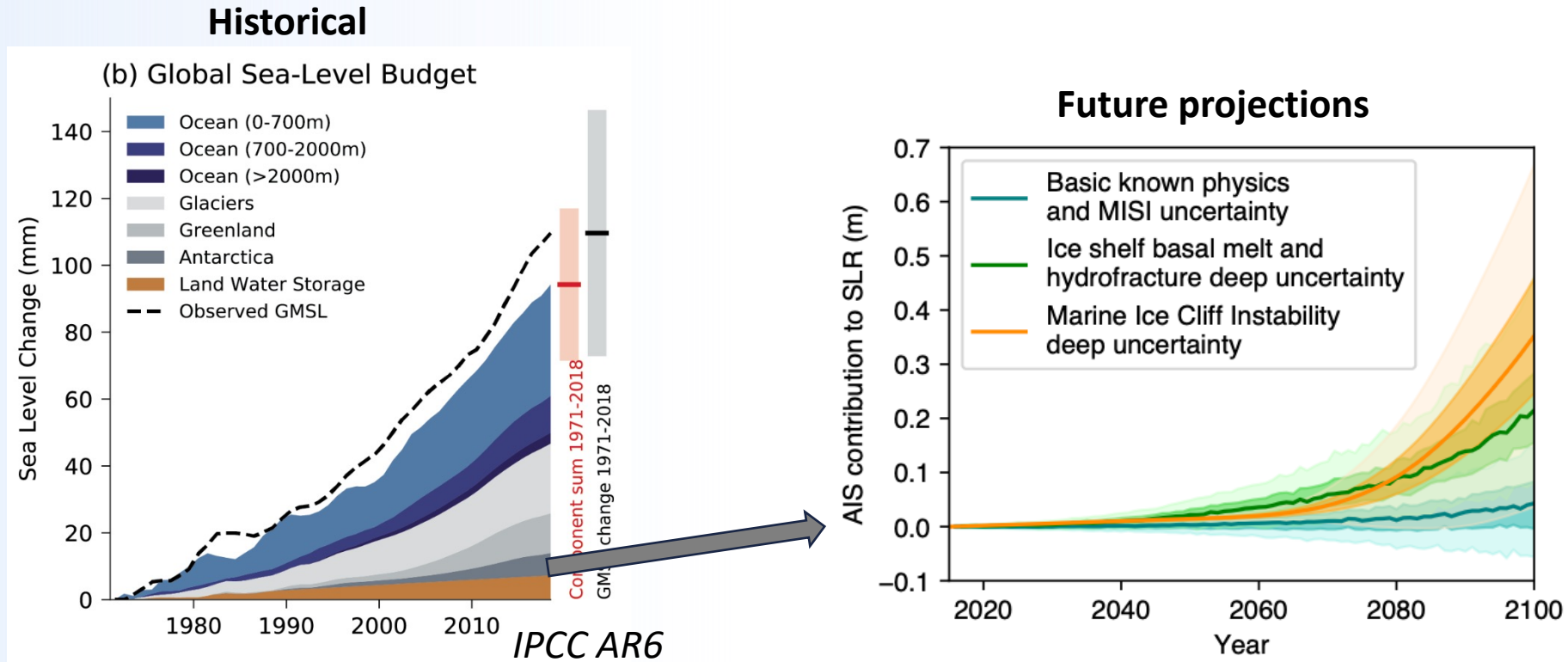
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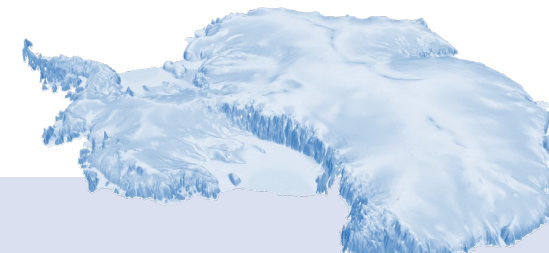
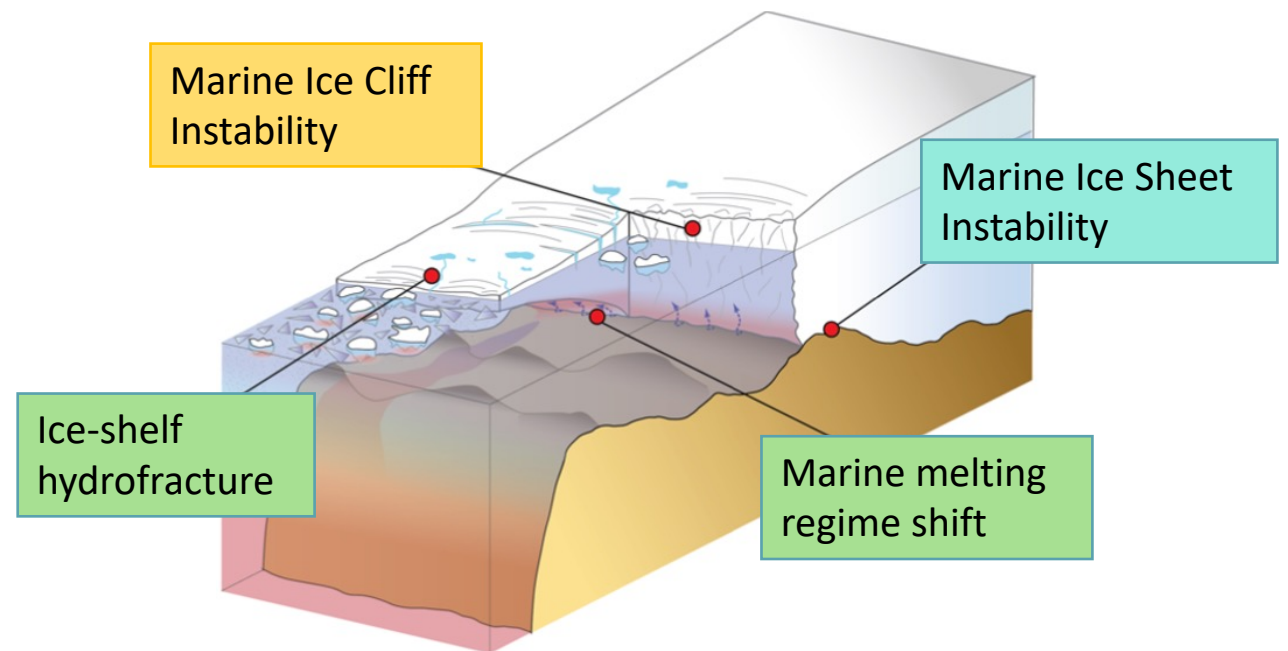
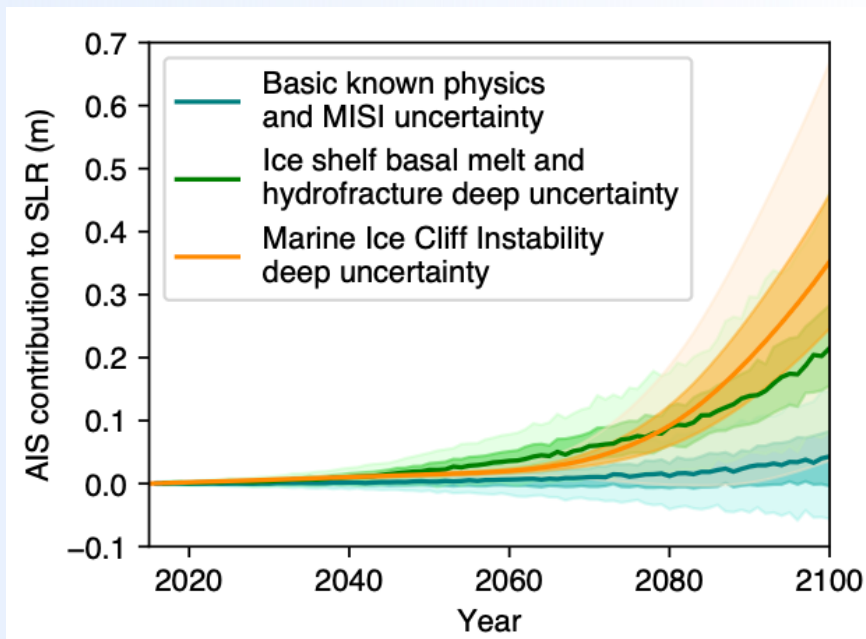


Motivation: Antarctic Ice Sheet is largest uncertainty in future sea-level change

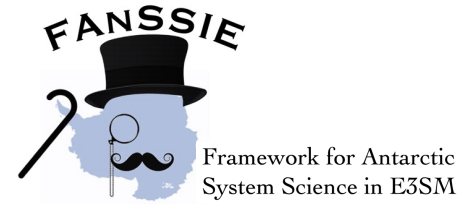


Problem: Feedbacks and tipping points in AIS processes and coupling

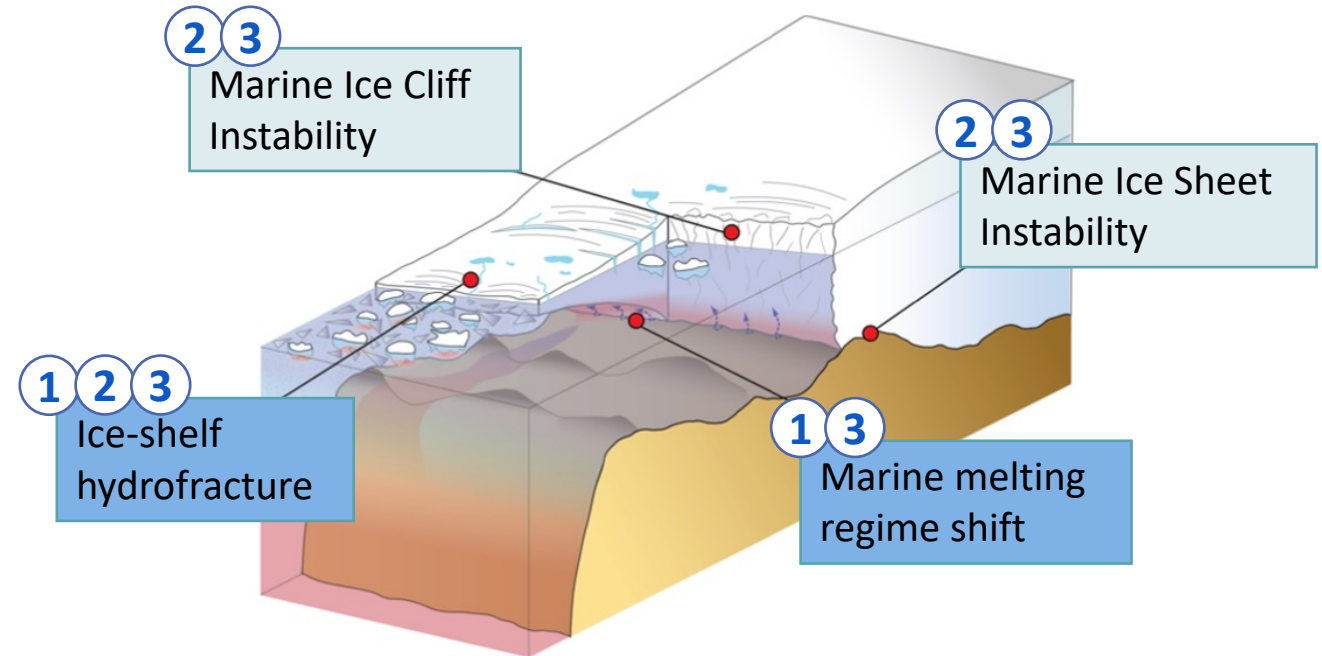
Future projections



FAnSSIE Project Focus Areas



- 1 Coupling of climate and Antarctic Ice Sheet in E3SM
- 2 Ice-sheet dynamics and fracture mechanics
- 3 Probabilistic projections of the Antarctic Ice Sheet

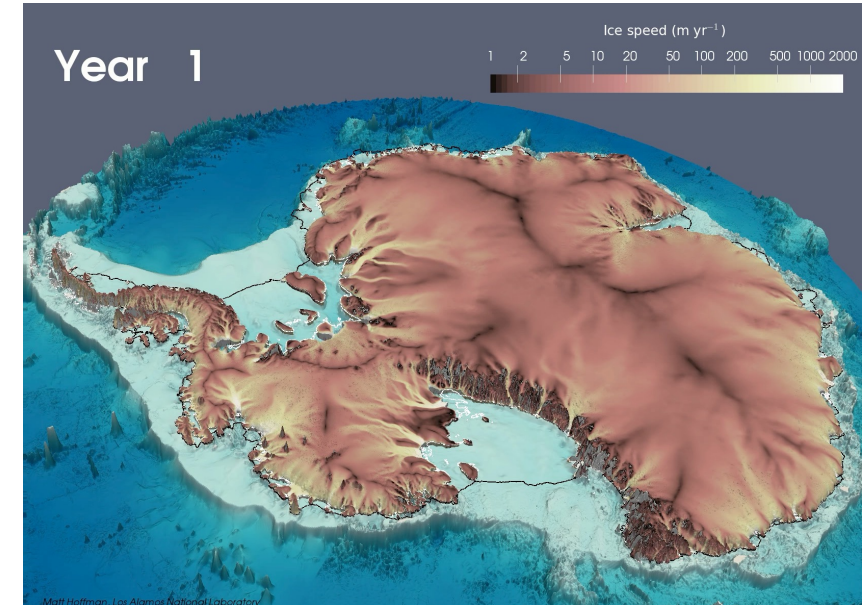
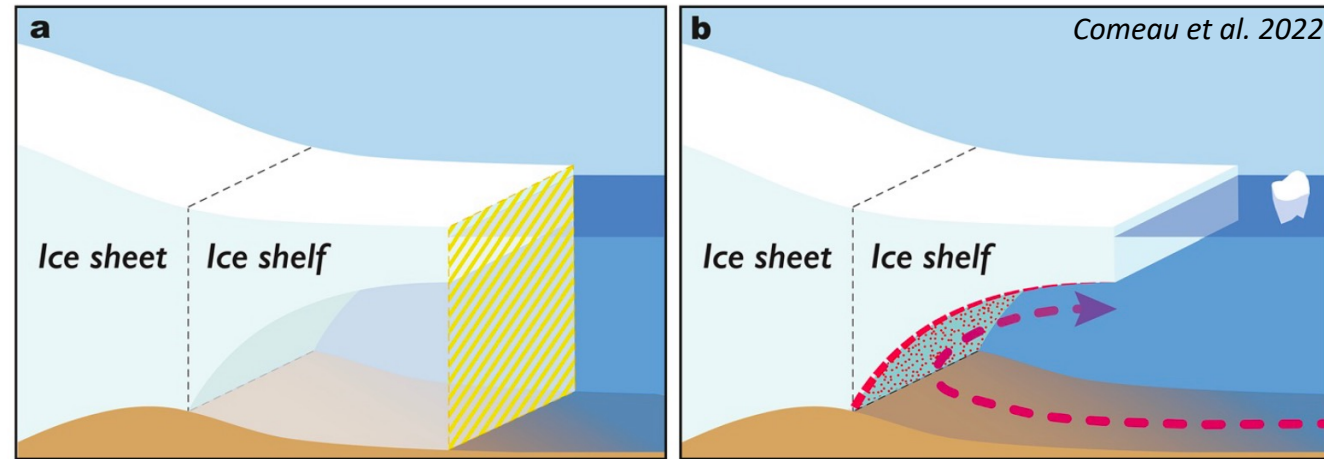


How will threshold processes linking the coupled ice sheet, ocean, and atmosphere impact the contribution of the Antarctic Ice Sheet to sea-level change in the coming decades and centuries?

① Coupling AIS to E3SM: Ice-sheet/Ocean

Ocean Model domain advance

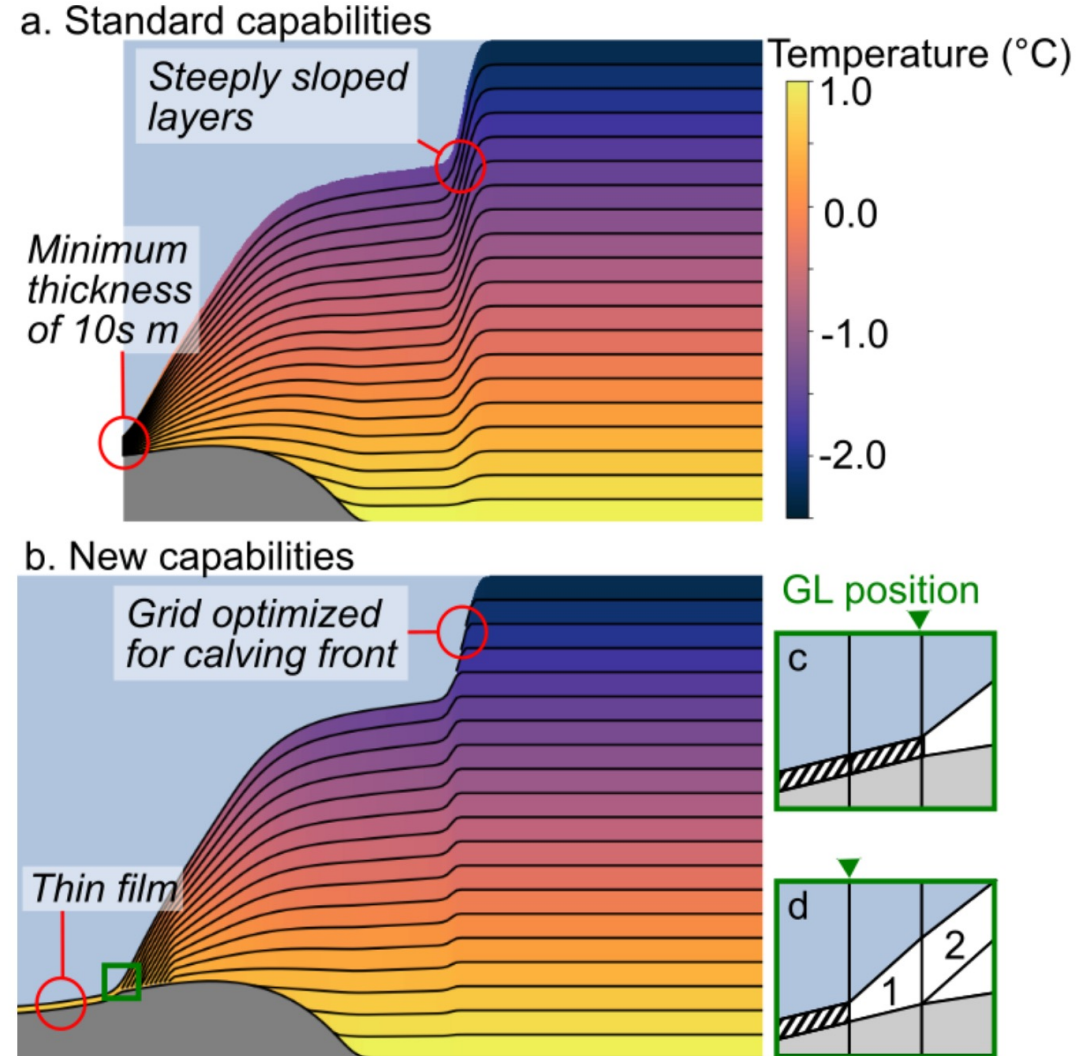
- In E3SM v1.2, MPAS-Ocean supported circulation beneath ice shelves, necessary to simulate ice-shelf basal melting
- However, horizontal extent of ocean domain is fixed
- As AIS evolves, ocean domain must advance – major technical hurdle



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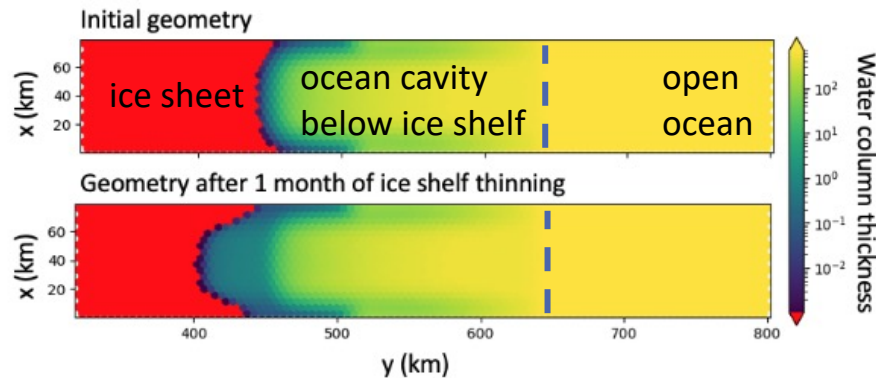
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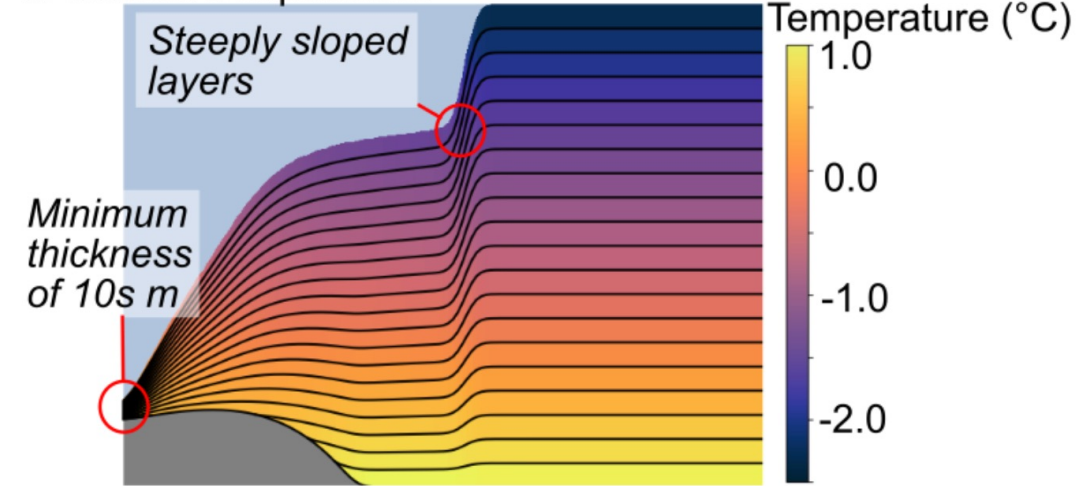
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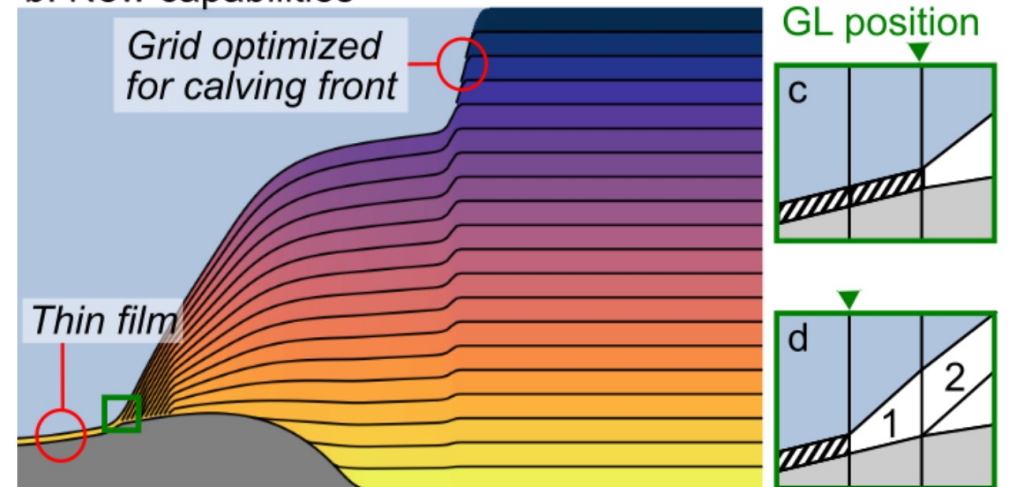
Coordination
with ICoM



a. Standard capabilities



b. New capabilities



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① Coupling AIS to E3SM: Ice-sheet/Ocean

Potential challenges with E3SM OMEGA transition

Ice-sheet/ocean coupling requires ocean model features that are not standard for global ocean models. ProSPect and FAnSSIE have been significant investments in those developments for *MPAS-Ocean*.

- MPAS-Ocean and MALI coupled simulations are expected to begin this year, with coupling capability already far along
- Ice shelf cavities and melt fluxes not planned for initial Omega release
- Wetting and Drying for ice-shelf cavities would come later yet
- Omega is only planning on limited eddy parameterizations but fully eddy parameterization (GM+Redi) required to resolve the small eddies present in polar regions

We are coordinating with OMEGA and E3SM Polar teams, but additional resources may be required to:

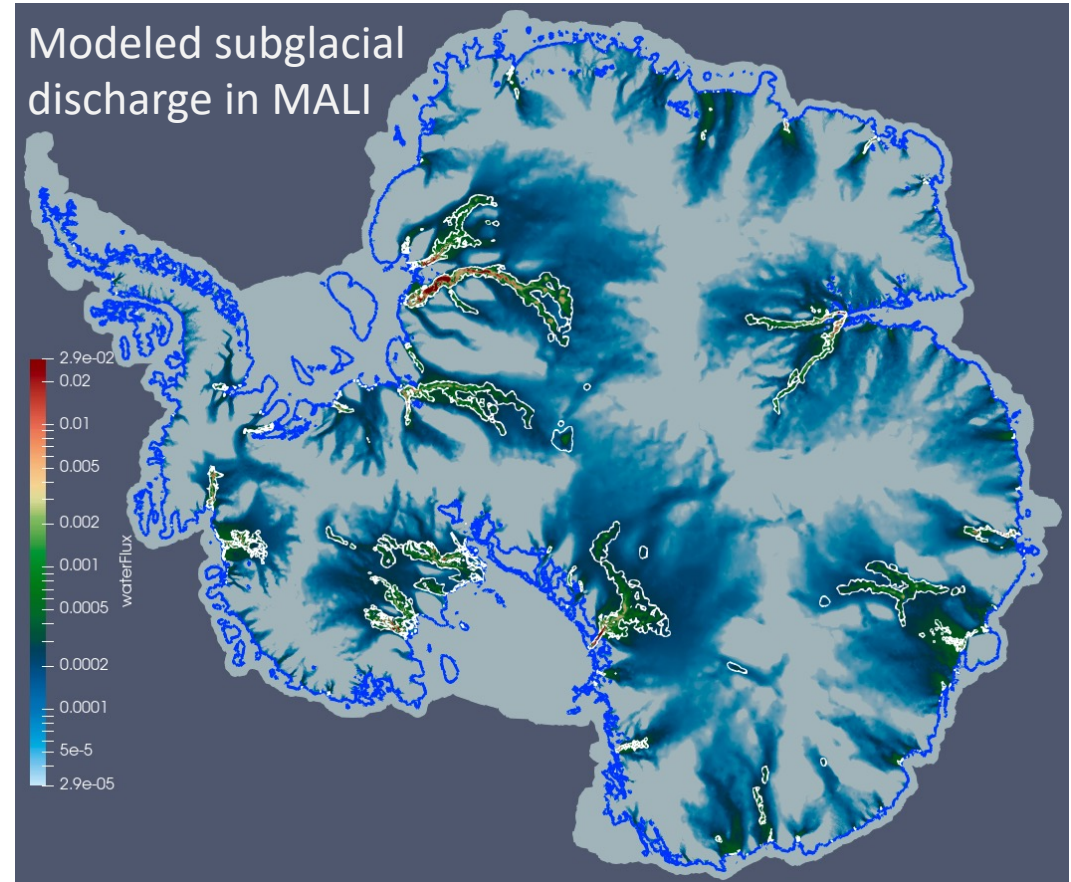
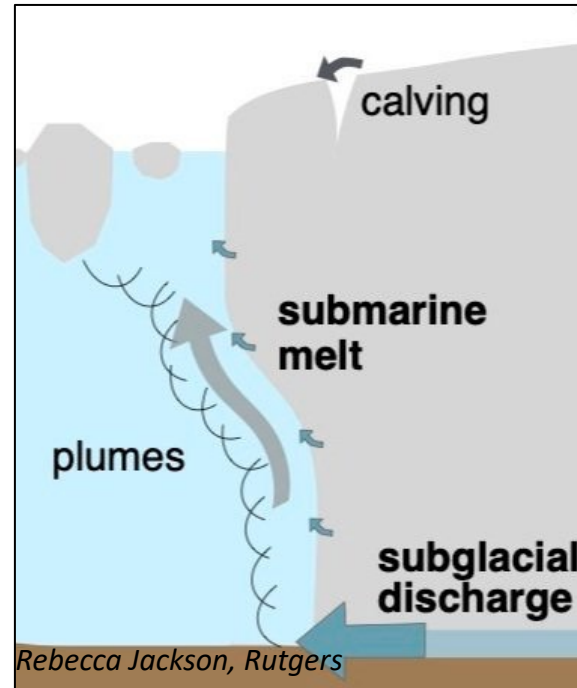
- maintain an unsupported branch of E3SM with MPAS-Ocean's ice-shelf capabilities to achieve FAnSSIE (and E3SM) science objectives.
- preserve these capabilities in E3SM through the ocean model transition.

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Adding subglacial discharge to ocean

- Subglacial discharge of meltwater known to enhance submarine melting in Greenland, but typically assumed to be negligible in Antarctica
- Used MALI's subglacial hydrology model to simulate discharge around AIS
- Subglacial discharge $\sim 10\%$ of ice-shelf basal melt flux
- Addition of this freshwater flux to MPAS-Ocean to come



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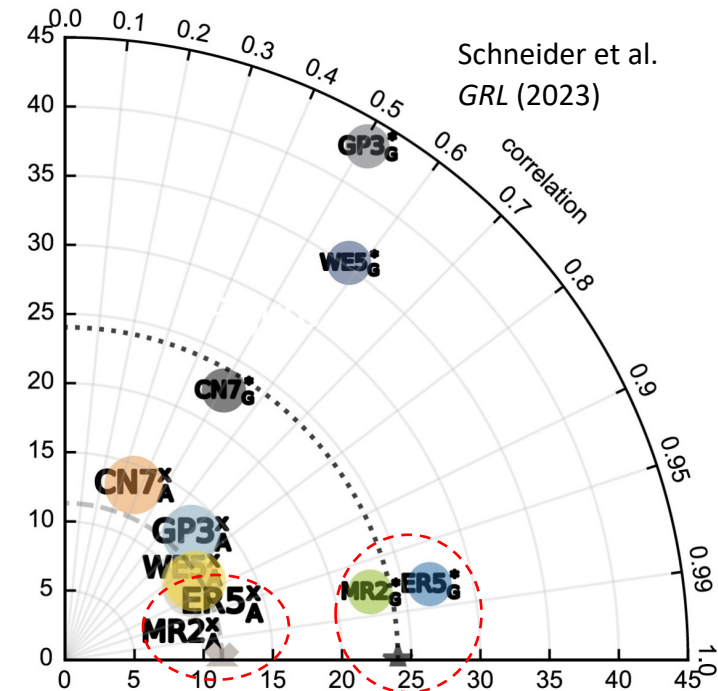
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Coordination
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Process Group

Progress: Evaluated 5 reanalysis products against AIS & GIS firn core records. Added ERA5 as data ATM option in E3SM.



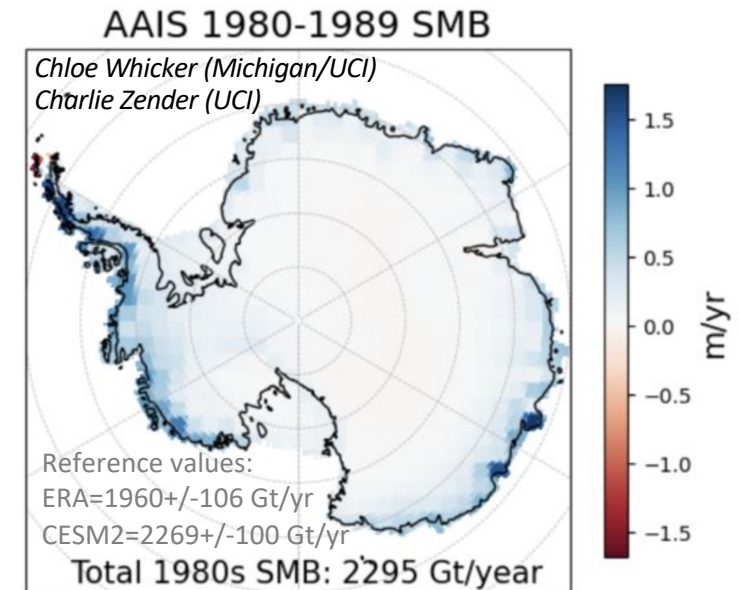
Taylor diagram shows ERA5 (ER5), MERRA2 (MR2) agree best with GrIS, AIS SUMup data (dashed).

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Progress: 300-yr firn spin-up with reanalysis climate forcing produces AIS surface mass balance similar to reference values



② Advanced Discretizations

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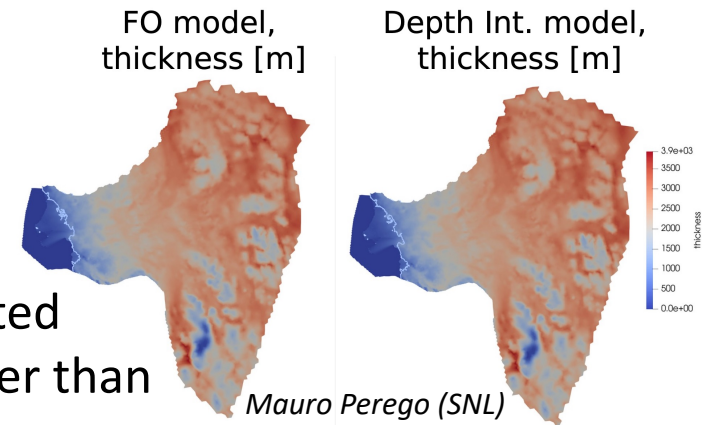
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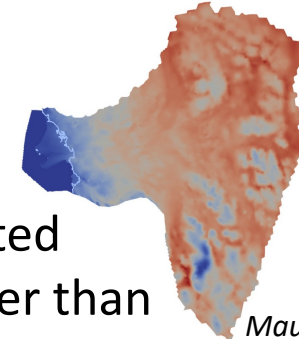
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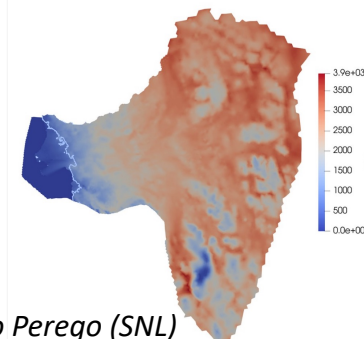
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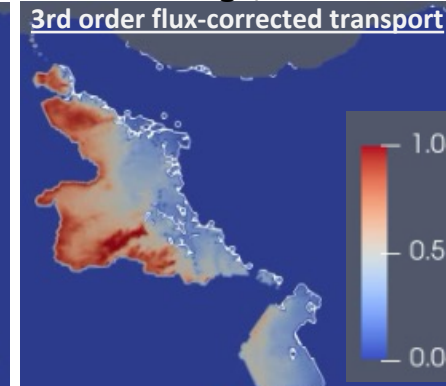
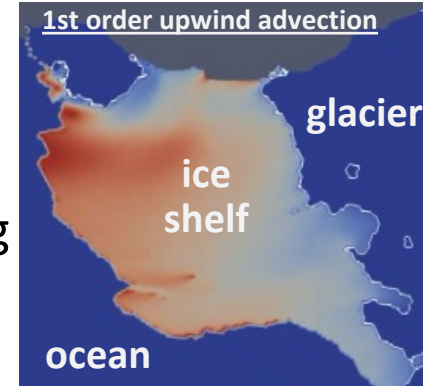
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Simulated Thwaites Ice Shelf damage, 2050



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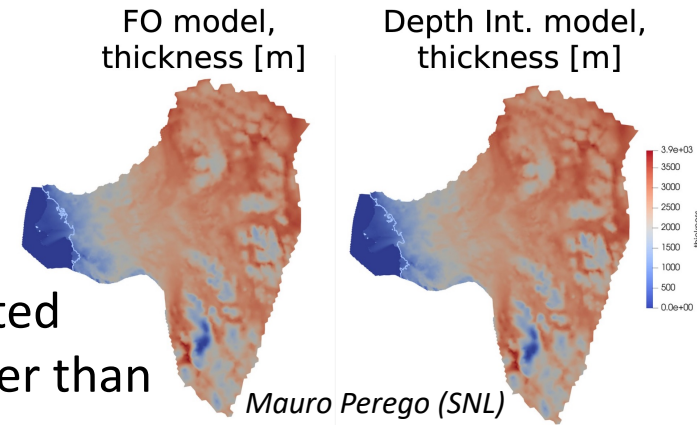
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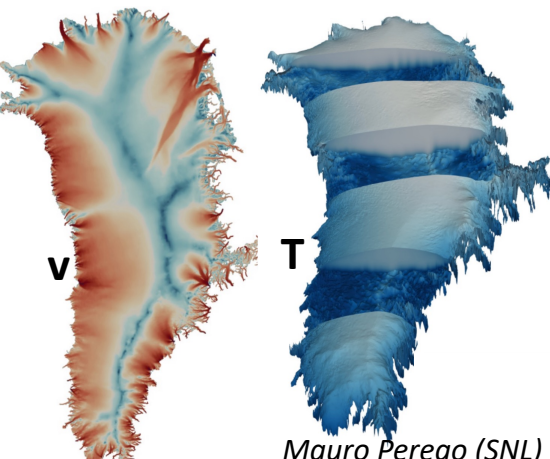
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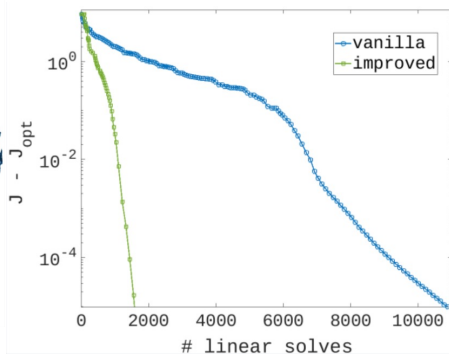
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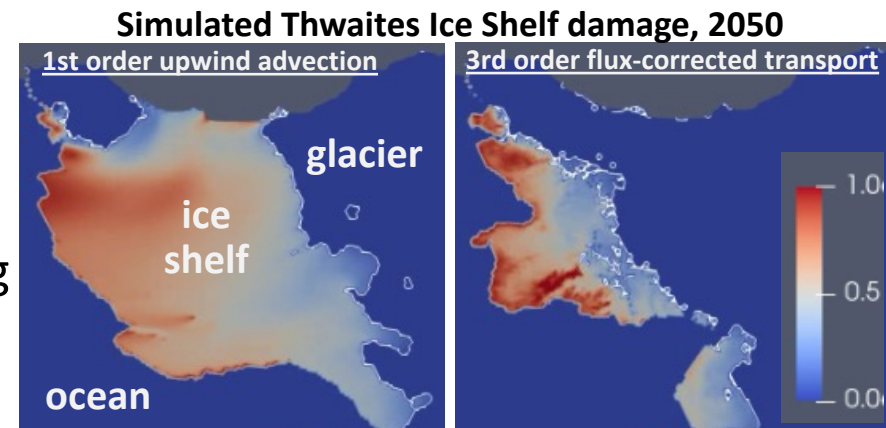
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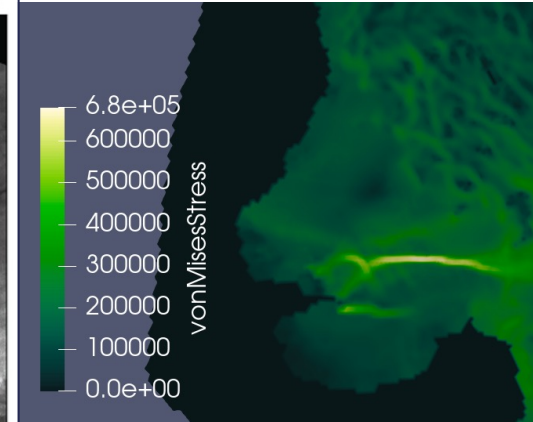
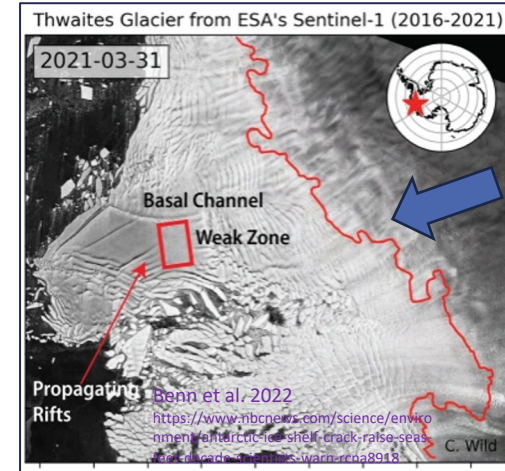
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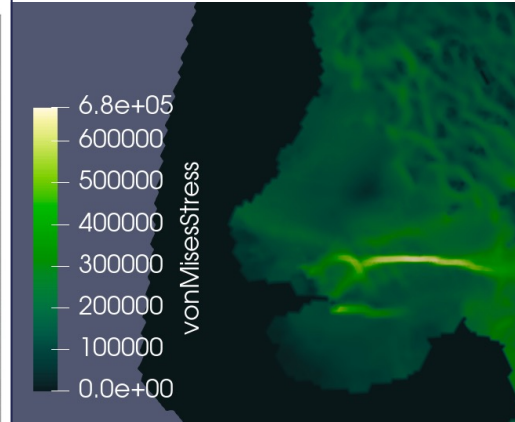
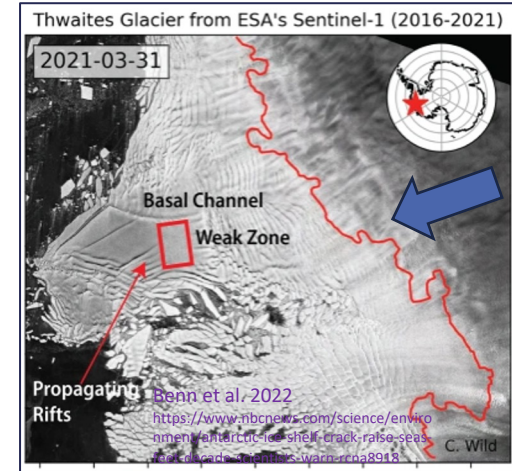


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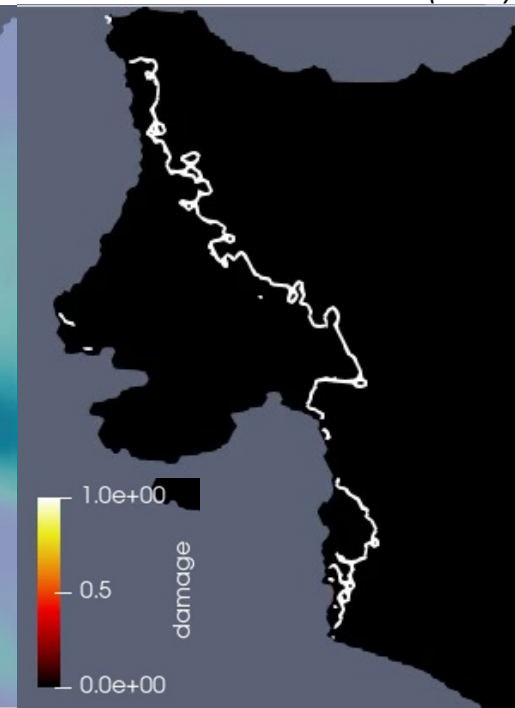
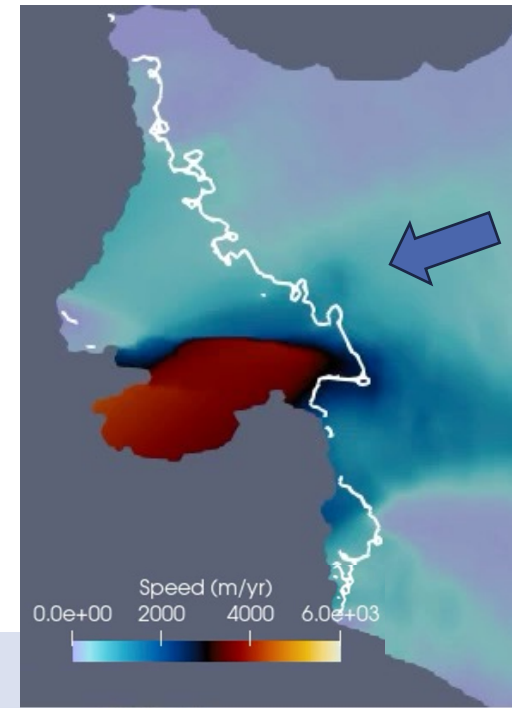
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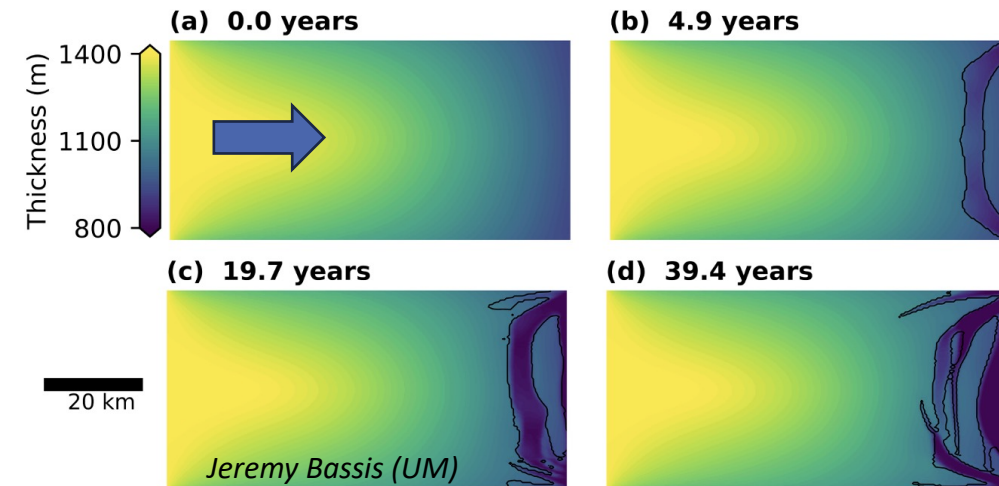
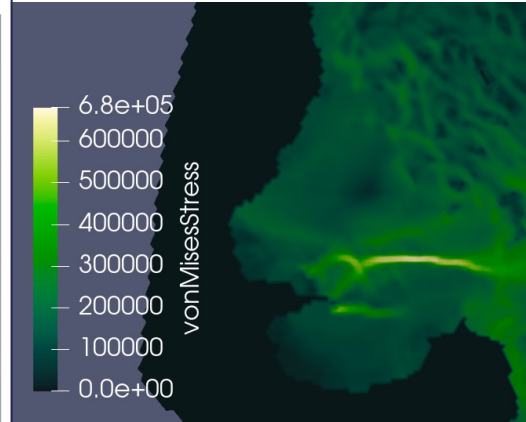
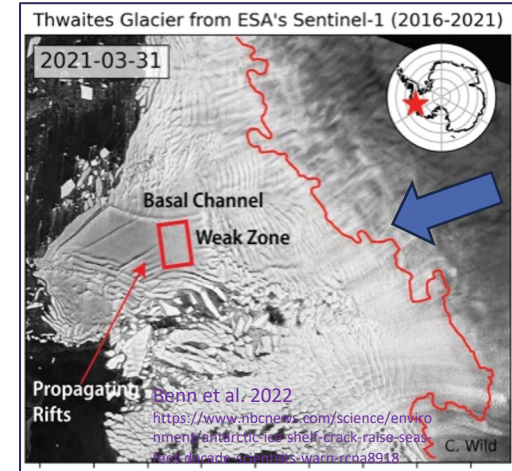
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 - Implement ductile+brittle methods that can form rifts and tabular icebergs
 - Couple fracture and ice rheology



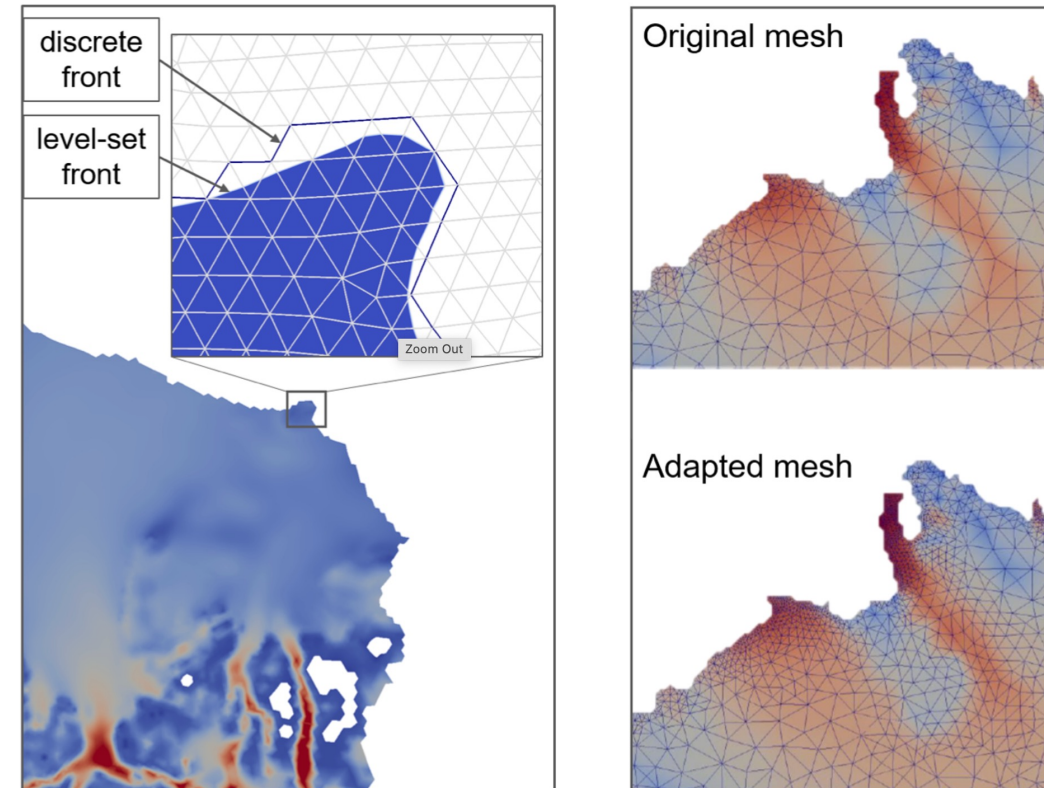
Simulated evolution of rifts in an idealized ice shelf using prototype model.

② Unstructured Mesh Adaptivity

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- Solution accuracy degrades at calving front and rifts
- Goals:
 - Feature tracking with level-sets
 - GPU-based mesh adaptivity using *Omega_h* library
 - Mesh node movements and swaps to keep mesh aligned with key features



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Progress: Incorporated the *Omega_h* mesh adaptivity library in MALI and implemented operational testing

② MALI Performance Improvements

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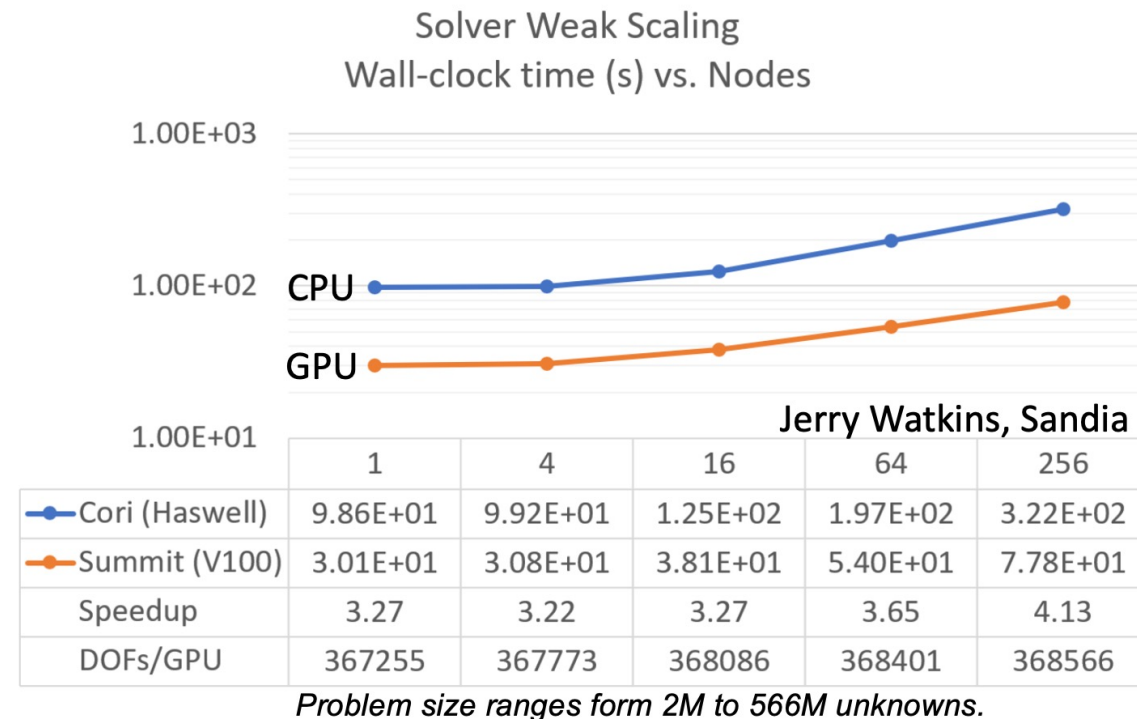
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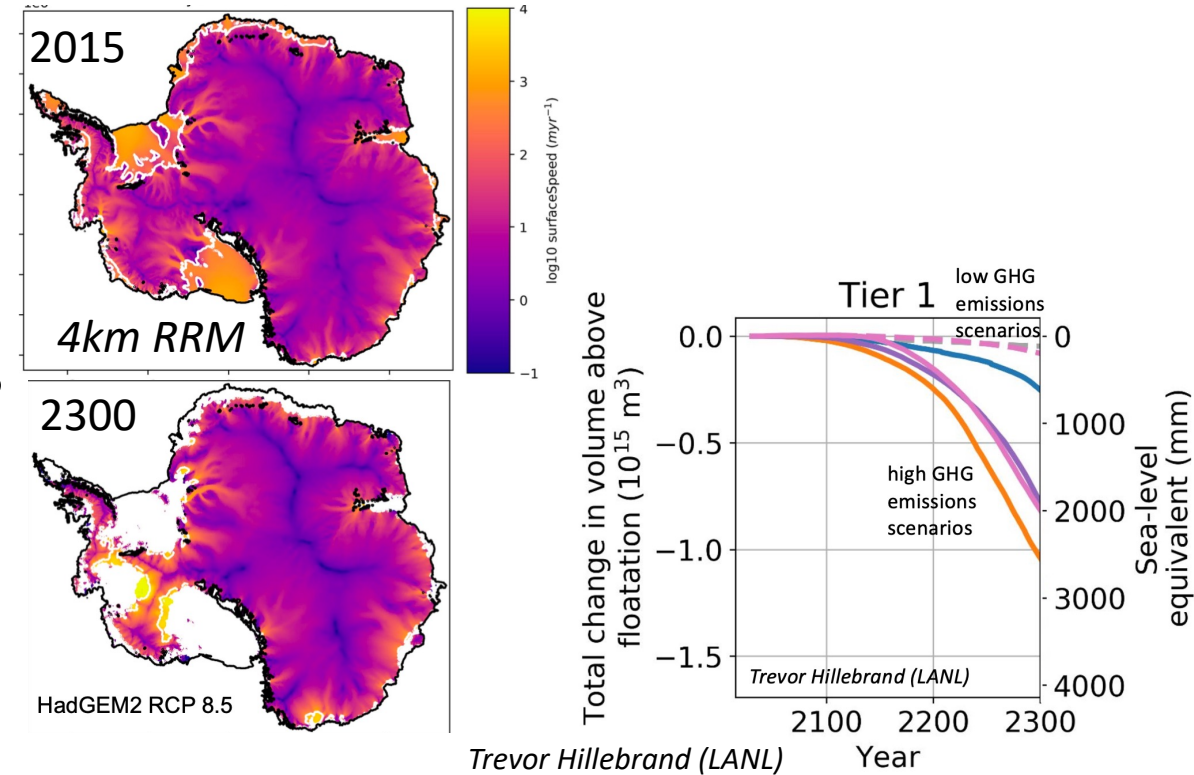
*Progress: Velocity solver scaling on GPUs;
first AIS production runs on Perlmutter-gpu
(first of their kind(?))*

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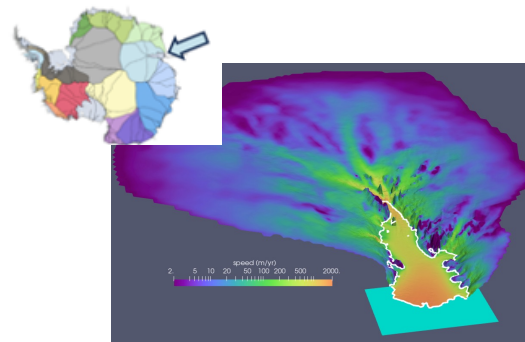


Progress: MALI contribution to Ice-Sheet Model Intercomparison Project (ISMIP6-AIS-2300)

Coordination
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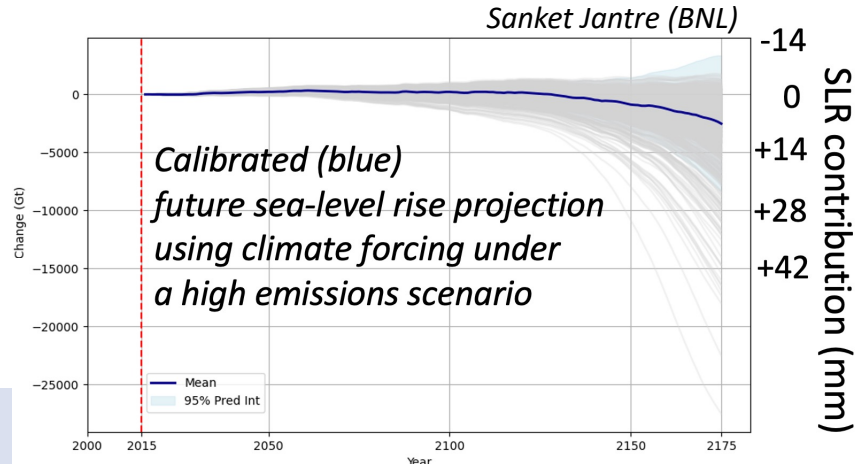
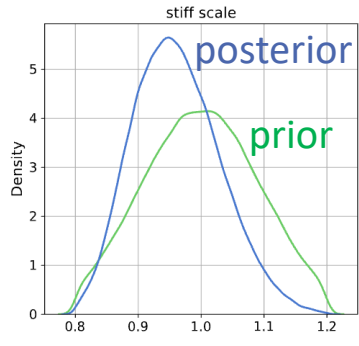
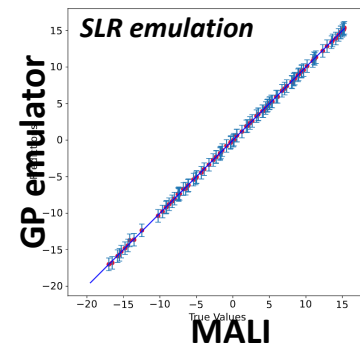
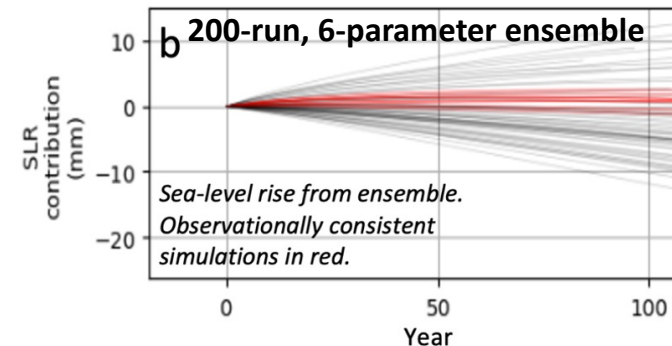
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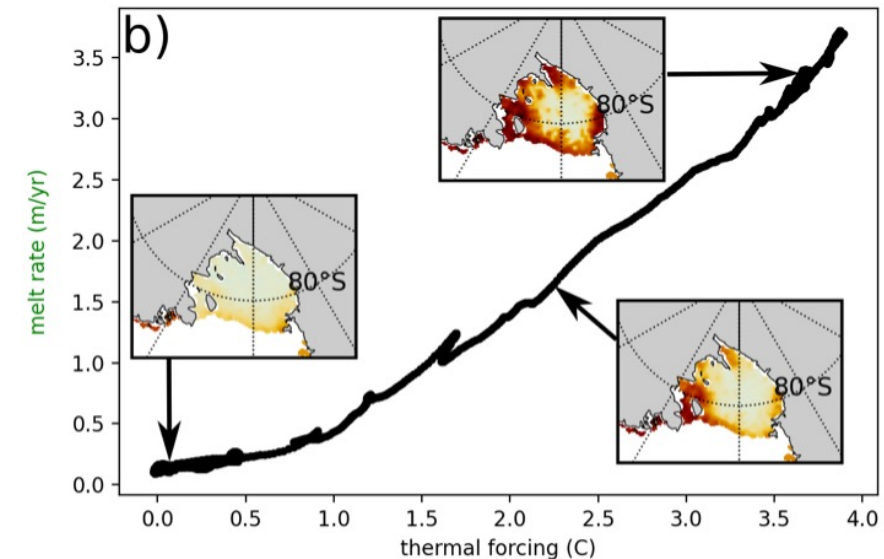
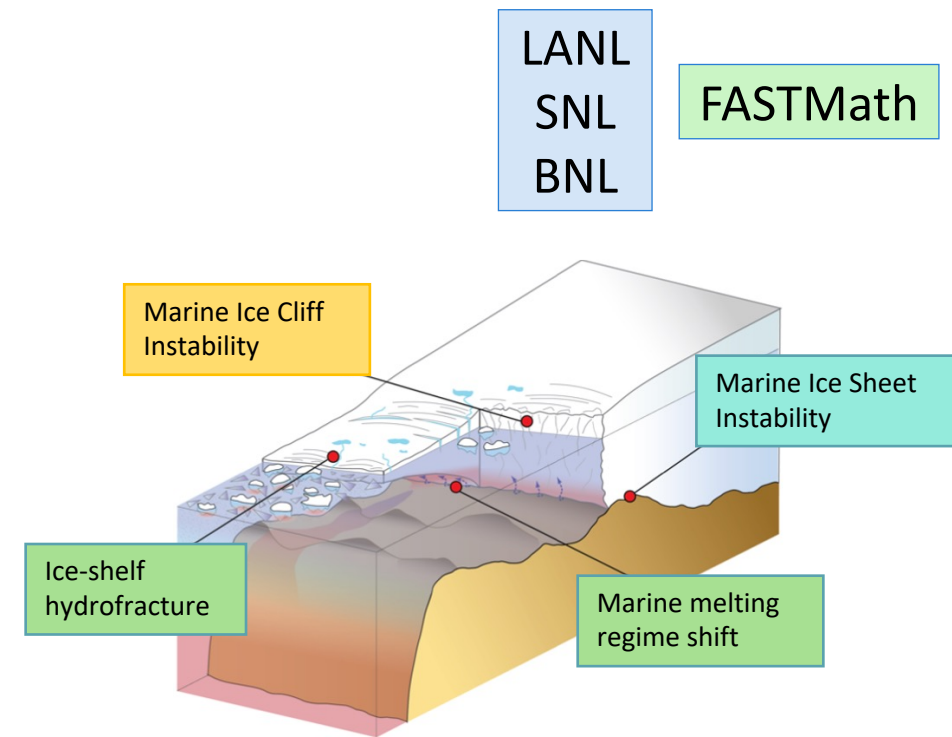
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Progress: Probabilistic projections of Amery Ice Shelf basin using Bayesian inference

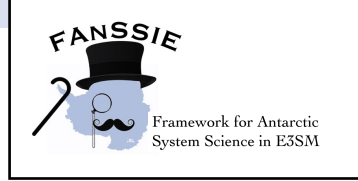
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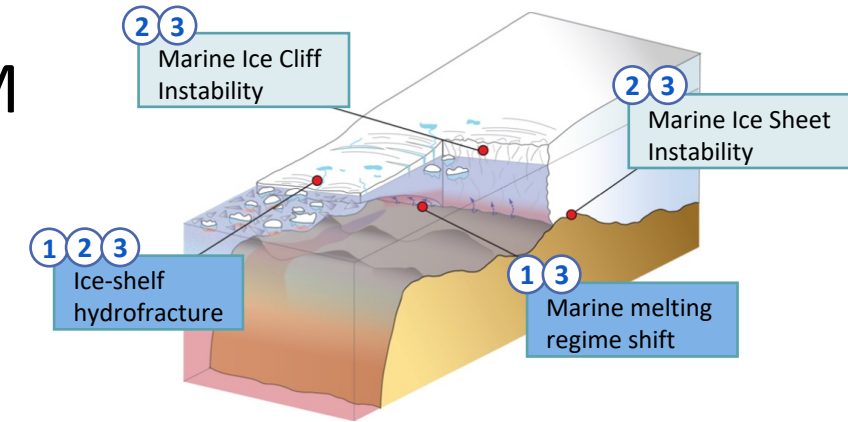


FAnSSIE Summary & Outlook

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- Addressing AIS deep uncertainty requires integrated computational/domain science collaboration
 - team built over multiple previous projects
- Close coordination with E3SM project and other ecosystem projects
- Maintaining DOE leadership in ice-sheet science and development