

# Global Inverse for Surface Mass Variations, Geocenter Motion, and Earth Rheology

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## Objectives

- Seasonal to Interannual Mass Variation: Elastic Earth
  - Multi-satellite data combination to achieve complete global coverage  
**GRACE/GPS/Topex/Jason**
  - Degree-1 mass harmonic and geocenter motion
  - Accuracy improvement
- Secular Simultaneous Inversion Development: Viscoelastic Earth
  - Dynamic Approach: Secular present-day trend + GIA or PGR
  - Kinematic Approach: Present-day trend and PGR spherical harmonics
  - Secular geocenter motion and International Terrestrial Reference Frame





# Publications (2006-2008) and Support

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## Current Support

NASA ESI GRACE Program:

FY2008 - 2010, \$160K per year

NASA IPY Program:

FY2007 - 2009, \$135K per year for Wu

NASA MeaSure Program:

FY2008 – 2012, 0-0.2 FTE for Wu, PI: Zlotnicki

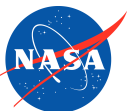
## Pending Support

NASA ESI Program:

FY2009 - 2011, \$200K per year

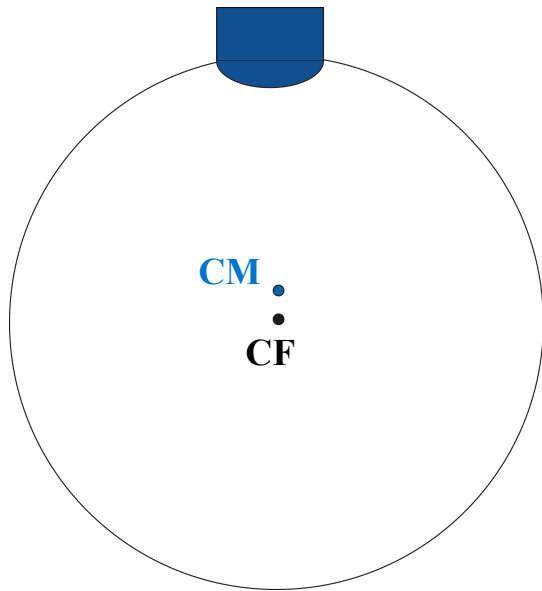
NASA ESI Program:

FY2009 - 2011, 0.25 FTE for Wu, PI: Gross





# Surface Mass Variations and Data



$$\sigma(R_e, \vartheta, \varphi, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^n \sum_{q=c,s} M_{nmq}(t) Y_{nmq}(\vartheta, \varphi)$$

## Signatures

- Gravity change
- Surface displacements
- Ocean Bottom Pressure (OBP) change
- Geocenter motion, Earth rotation
- Relative Sea Level

## Uncertainty Reduction

- GRACE + N=1 + OBP
- Unimodular Optimal Point and Regional Averages
- Full Data Covariance Matrix (Correlation)
- More Realistic Quantitative A priori





# Significance of Geocenter Motion

Effects of 1 mm Geocenter Motion  
on GRACE Mean Mass Change Determination

Region	Eustatic Sea Level mm	Mean Antarctic Ice mm	Mean Greenland Ice mm
Geocenter			
X	-0.46	0.07	1.26
Y	-0.24	0.49	-1.1
Z	-0.51	-5.6	5.6

**Satellite Tracking:**

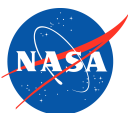
$$\vec{S}_{cm} - \vec{S}_{cn}$$

**Inverse Determination:**

$$G(\vartheta, \varphi, t) = \sum_{n=1} \sum_{mq} G_{nmq}(\vartheta, \varphi, p..) M_{nmq}(t)$$

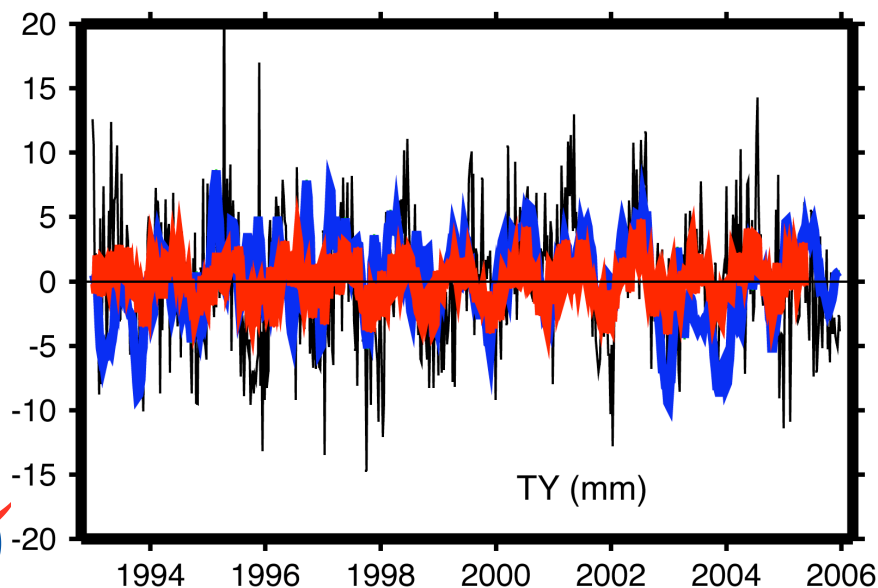
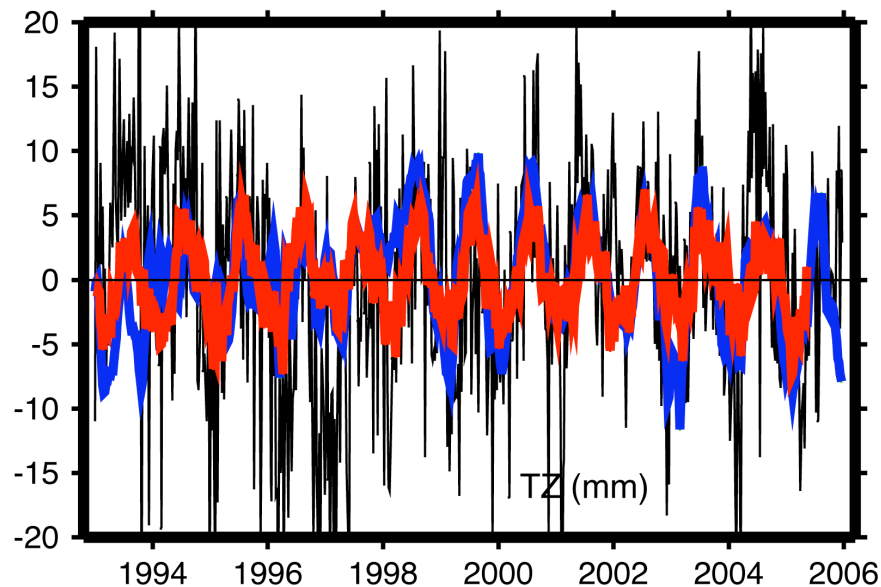
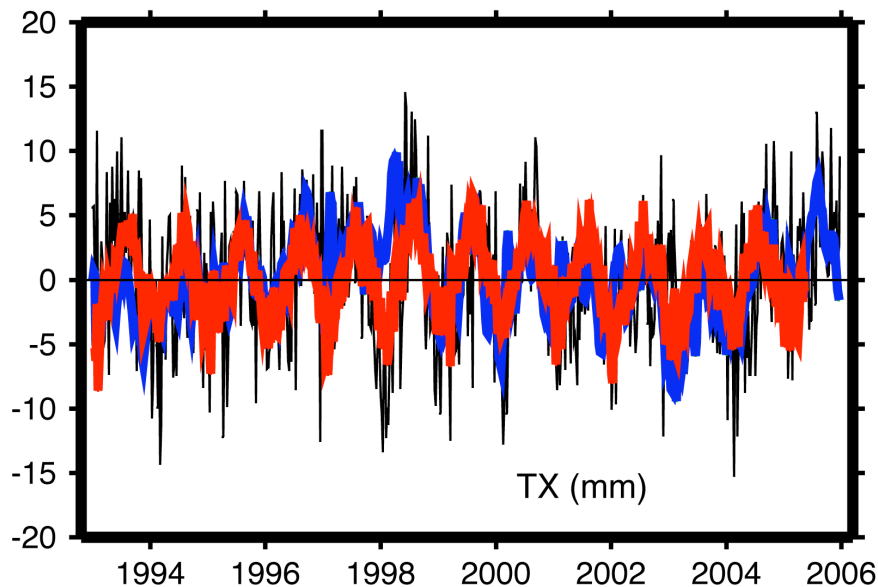
**Present-trend and GIA:**

$$\dot{G}(\vartheta, \varphi, t) = \sum_{n=1} \sum_{mq} G_{nmq}(\vartheta, \varphi, p..) \dot{M}_{nmq}(t) + \dot{G}^v$$





# Compare SLR, Climate Model and GPS/OBP Inversion



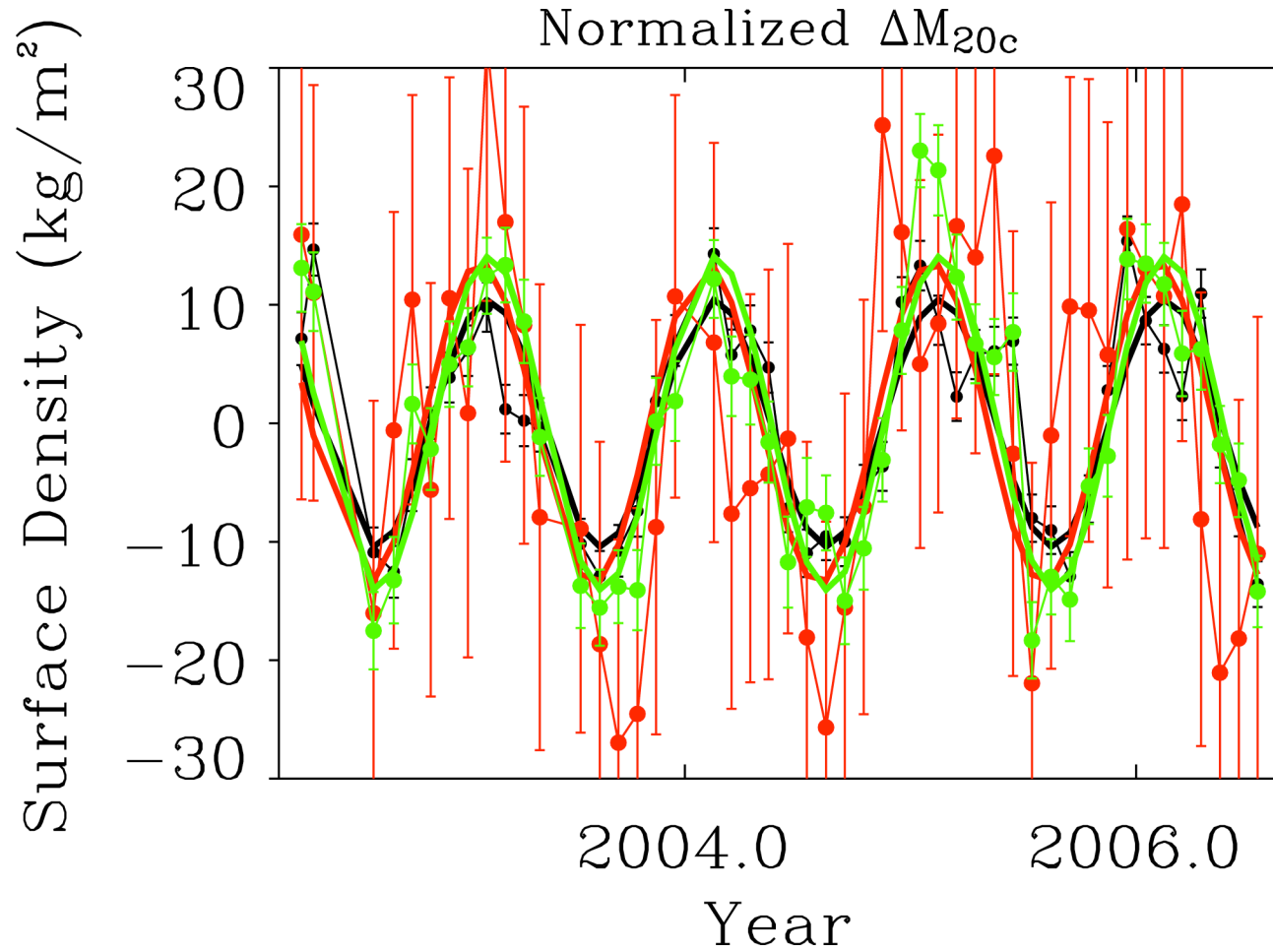
## Imminent JGR Submission

- SLR from ITRF2005 Altamimi
- AOW Mass Model van Dam
- GPS/OBP Inversion





# $M_{20}$ Surface Density from GPS/OBP, SLR, GRACE





# Simultaneous Global Inversion for Present-Day Trend + PGR Dynamic Approach

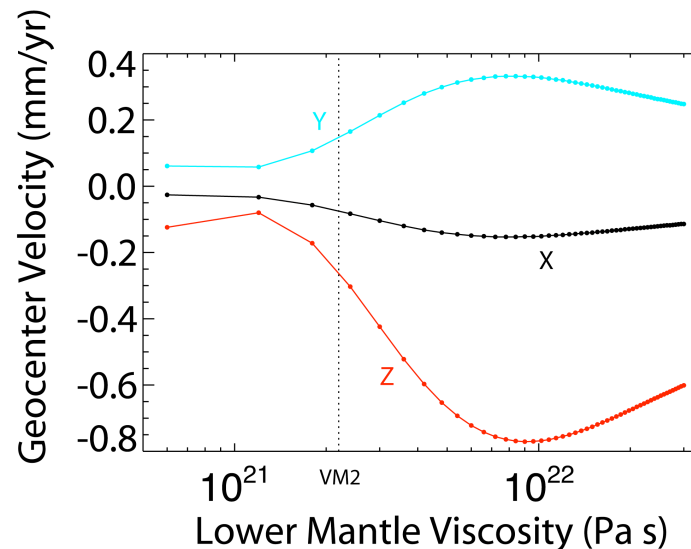
- Viscoelastic Earth Response
- Coupling of present-day trend and GIA signatures in modern data

$$\dot{V}_{lm} = \dot{V}_{lm}(\dot{M}_{lm}^{CUR}) + \dot{V}_{lm}^{GIA}(M_{past}, \tau, \nu)$$

- Combination of data with different physical origin for separation
- Combination of modern and historical data for time resolution
- Adapted viscoelastic Earth model (with n=1) + sea level equation solver

Effects of Ice Model  
On GIA CM-CF

Model \ Axis	ICE-5G/ IJ2005 mm/yr	ICE-5G mm/yr
X	-0.12	-0.08
Y	0.25	0.15
Z	-0.49	-0.26





# Simultaneous Global Inversion for Present-Day Trend + PGR Kinematic Approach

- **Objectives**

- Improve PGR and Present-day trend estimation with GRACE/GPS/OBP
- Separate estimation of geocenter velocities due to present trend and GIA

- **Data Equations:**

Geocentric Velocity:

$$\dot{\vec{s}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{mq} \left( (a_n \dot{M}_{nmq} + b_n \dot{M}_{nmq}^{v,k}) Y_{nmq} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_r + (c_n \dot{M}_{nmq} + d_n \dot{M}_{nmq}^{v,l}) (\partial_{\vartheta} Y_{nmq} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{\vartheta} + l'_n \frac{1}{\sin \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi} Y_{nmq} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{\varphi}) \right) - \frac{4\pi}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{a^3}{M_E} (\dot{M}_{11c} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_x + \dot{M}_{11s} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_y + \dot{M}_{10c} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_z) + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{\mathbf{X}}_i$$

Ocean Bottom Pressure:  $\dot{P} = gO(\vartheta, \varphi) \dot{M}$

Geoid:  $\dot{N} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \sum_{mq} (f_n \dot{M}_{nmq} + g_n \dot{M}_{nmq}^{v,k}) Y_{nmq}$

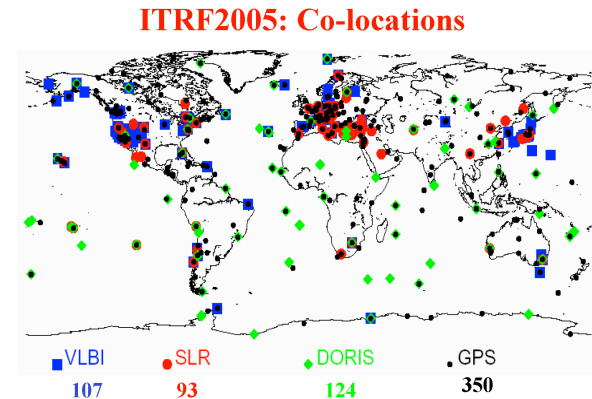
- **Method to Separate Geocenter Velocities due to Present-Trend and GIA**







# Secular Geocenter Motion and International Terrestrial Reference Frame Stability



- Geocenter CM = Datum of Satellite Tracking =? origin of the ITRF
  - What is the geocenter motion rate? 2 mm/yr in Z ?
  - How accurate is the rate determined?  $\pm 2$  mm/yr ?
  - Not acceptable since mean sea level only rises 2-3 mm/yr !
- Major Problems of Current ITRF Realization
  - Secular Frame, not instantaneous – TRF needs to be specified at all times
  - Different techniques are not combined weekly – enormous loss of info
- New Method for ITRF Realization
  - SLR/VLBI/GPS/DORIS data weekly combination
  - Co-located sites moving together
  - Effects of non-secular motions

