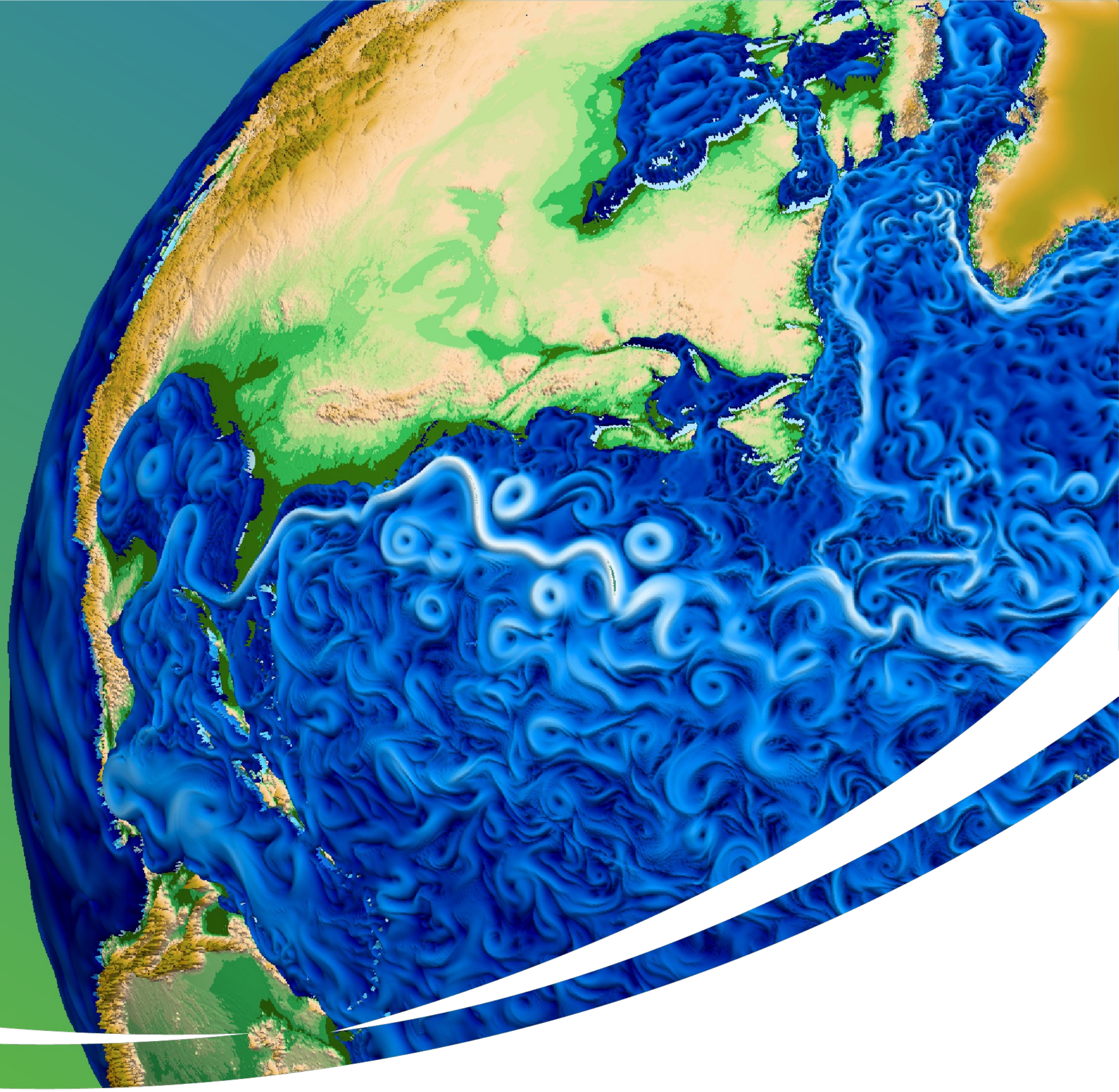
Spatio-Temporal Surrogate Construction and Calibration of E3SM Land Model



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E3SM
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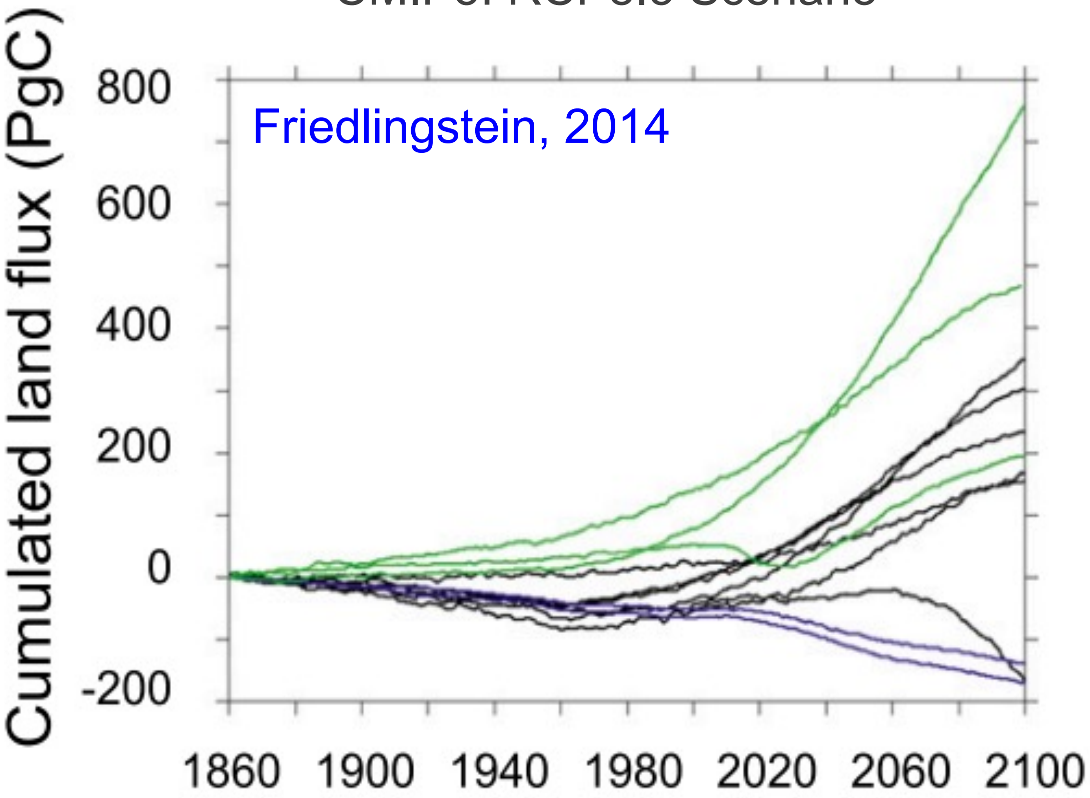
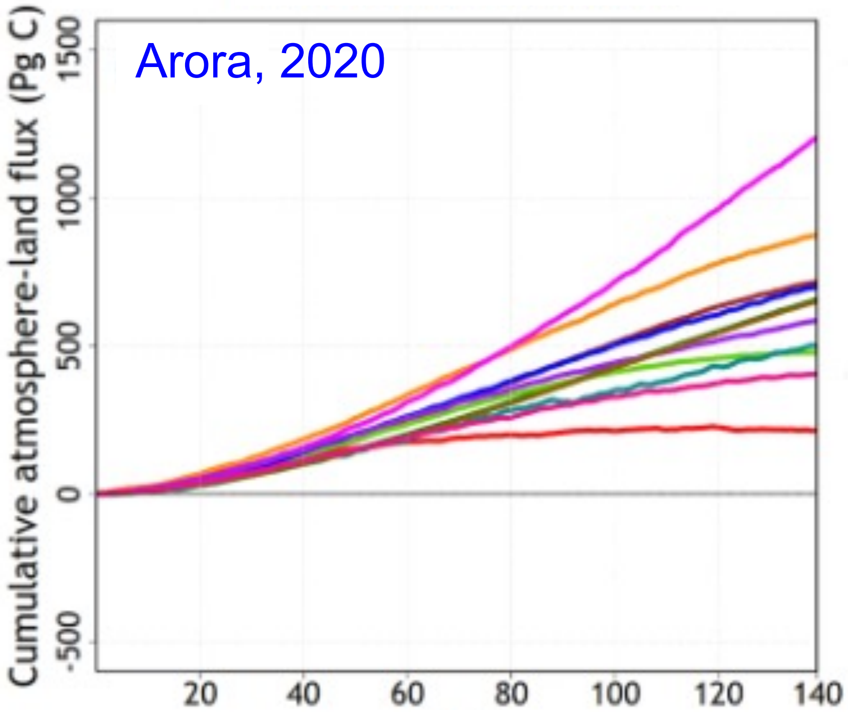
Motivation: Uncertainties in Carbon Flux

CMIP5: RCP8.5 Scenario



CMIP6: 1%/yr CO_2 incr. Scenario

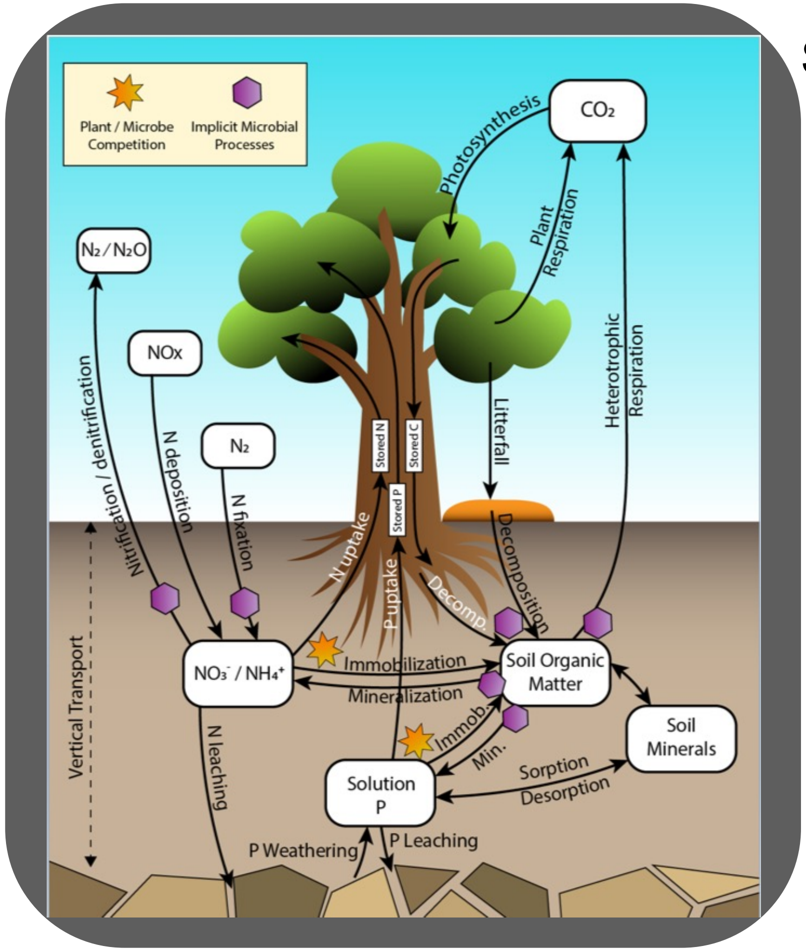


Overview: Surrogate-based Calibration of E3SM Land Model

- Land-surface model parametric uncertainty remains large
- High model expense → Need for model surrogates for sample-intensive studies, such as …
  - Global sensitivity analysis (forward UQ)
  - Model calibration (inverse UQ)
- Major challenges
  - Expensive model evaluation, small ensembles
  - High dimensional (spatio-temporal) outputs

- Reduced-dimensional, inexpensive surrogate construction via Karhunen-Loève expansions and Neural Networks (**KLNN surrogate**)
- Surrogate enables global sensitivity analysis and **Bayesian model calibration**

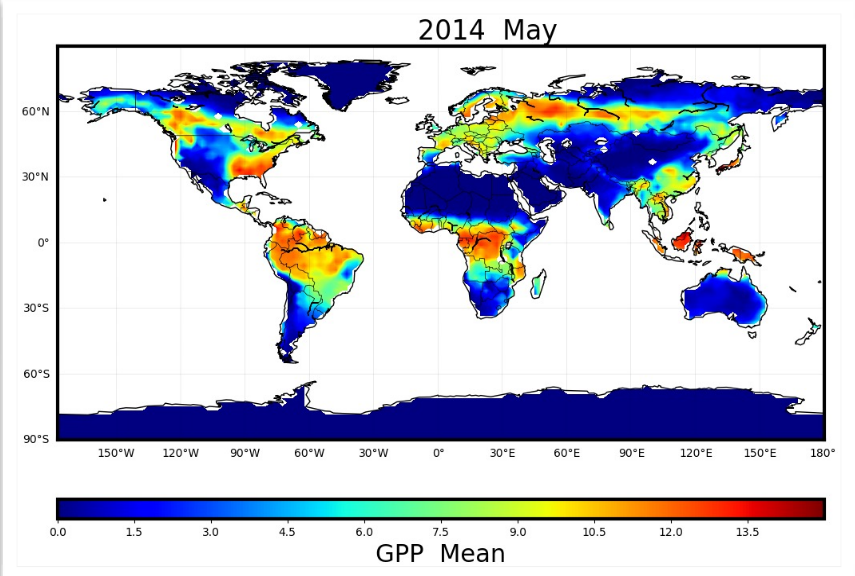
E3SM Land Model (ELM)



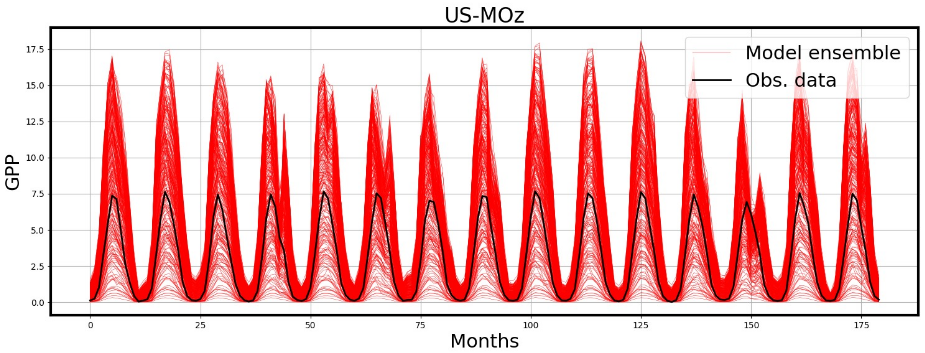
Satellite Phenology version used for this study

Quantity of Interest:
Gross primary productivity (GPP)…

… resolved in space, …

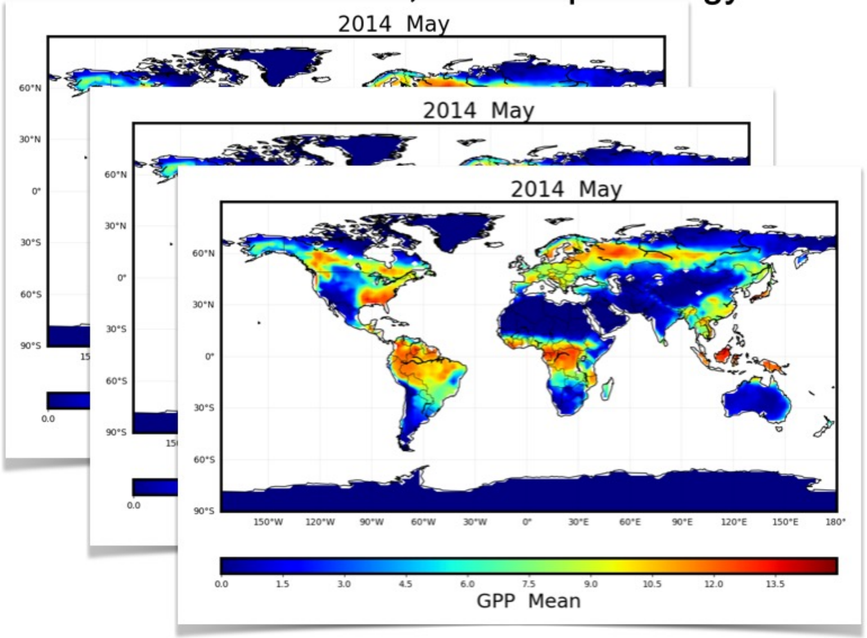


… and in time.



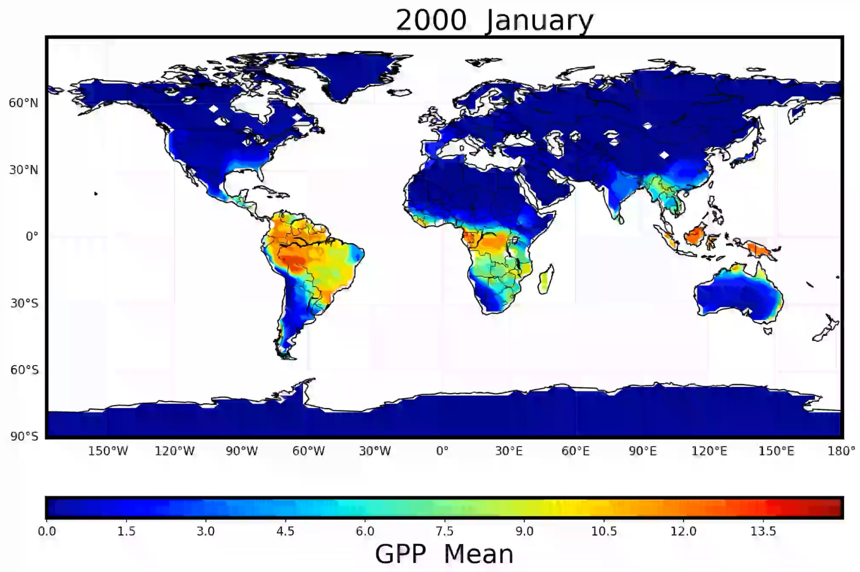
Model Ensemble (275 samples)

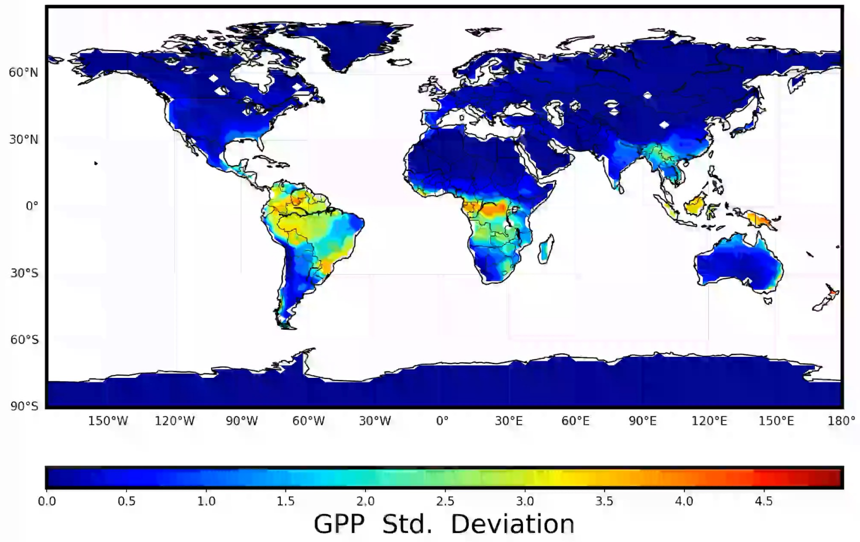
1.9x2.5 resolution, satellite phenology



Perturbed Parameters

Parameter	Description	Min	Max
flnr	Fraction of leaf in in RuBisCO	0	0.25
mbbopt	Stomatal slope (Ball-Berry)	2	13
bbbopt	Stomatal intercept (Ball-Berry)	1000	40000
roota_par	Rooting depth distribution	1	10
vcmaxha	Activation energy for Vcmax	50000	90000
vcmaxse	Engropy for Vcmax	640	700
jmaxha	Activation energy for jmax	50000	90000
dayl_scaling	Day length factor	0	2.5
dleaf	Characteristic leaf dimension	0.01	0.1
xl	Leaf/stem orientation index	-0.6	0.8





Forward UQ

a.k.a. surrogate construction, global sensitivity analysis, uncertainty propagation

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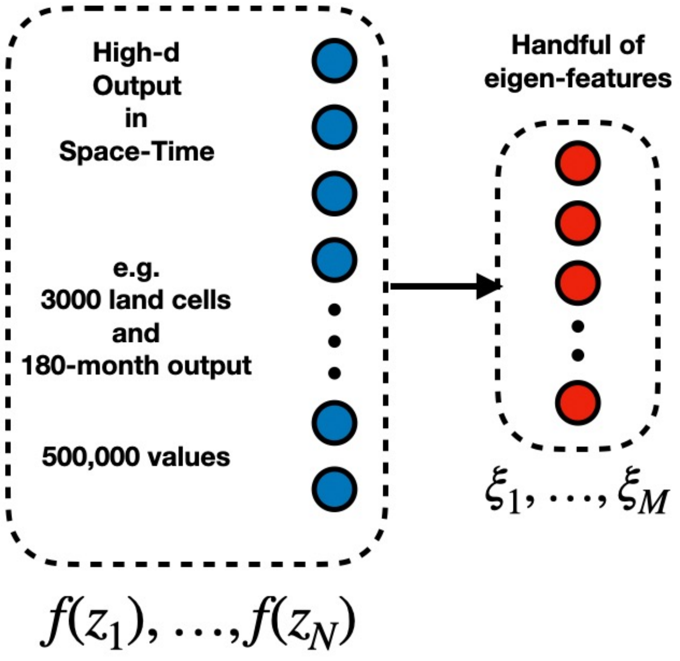
Dimensionality Reduction via Karhunen-Loève Expansion

$$f(\color{red}{\lambda}; \color{blue}{z}) \approx \bar{f}(z) + \sum_{m=1}^{M} \xi_m(\lambda)\sqrt{\mu_m}\,\phi_m(z)$$

Uncertain parameters

“Certain” conditions

- Spatio-temporal model output $f(\lambda; z)$, where $z = (x, y, t)$
- Output field has large dimensionally $N = N_x \times N_y \times N_t$
- Eigenpairs $(\mu_m, \phi_m(z))$ are found via eigen-solve
- Analysis reduces to $M \ll N$ eigenfeatures $\xi_1, \ldots, \xi_m$
- Under the hood: this is essentially an SVD



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KL is essentially a Singular Value Decomposition

KL $$f(\lambda^k; z_i) - \bar{f}(z_i) \approx \sum_{m=1}^{M} \xi_m(\lambda^k)\sqrt{\mu_m}\phi_m(z_i)$$

$$F_{ki} = \sum_{m=1}^{M} U_{km}\Sigma_{mm}V_{im}$$

SVD $$F = U\,\Sigma\,V^T$$

Karhunen-Loève expansion
-– is centralized (first subtract the mean)
-– often comes with the continuous form
-– has random variable interpretation for the latent features (aka left singular vectors) ξ_m

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KL truncation relies on variance retention

$$f(\lambda; z) \approx \bar{f}(z) + \sum_{m=1}^{M} \xi_m(\lambda)\sqrt{\mu_m}\phi_m(z)$$

$$Var[f(z)] = \sum_{m=1}^{M} \mu_m {\phi^2}_m(z)$$

$$Var[f] = \sum_{m=1}^{M} \mu_m$$

$$M = \operatorname{argmin}_{M'} \frac{\sum_{m=1}^{M'} \mu_m}{\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \mu_m} > 0.99$$

KL+NN = reduced dimensional spatio-temporal surrogate

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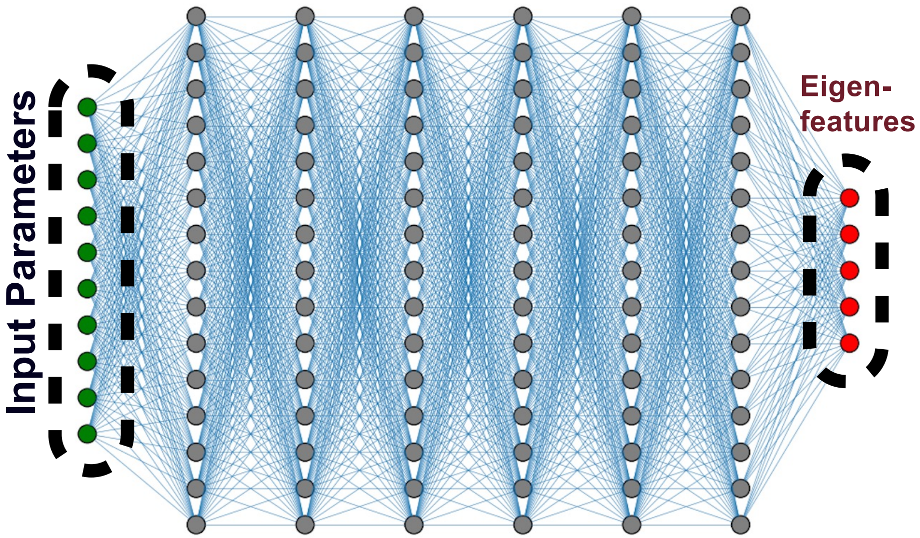
$\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_d$



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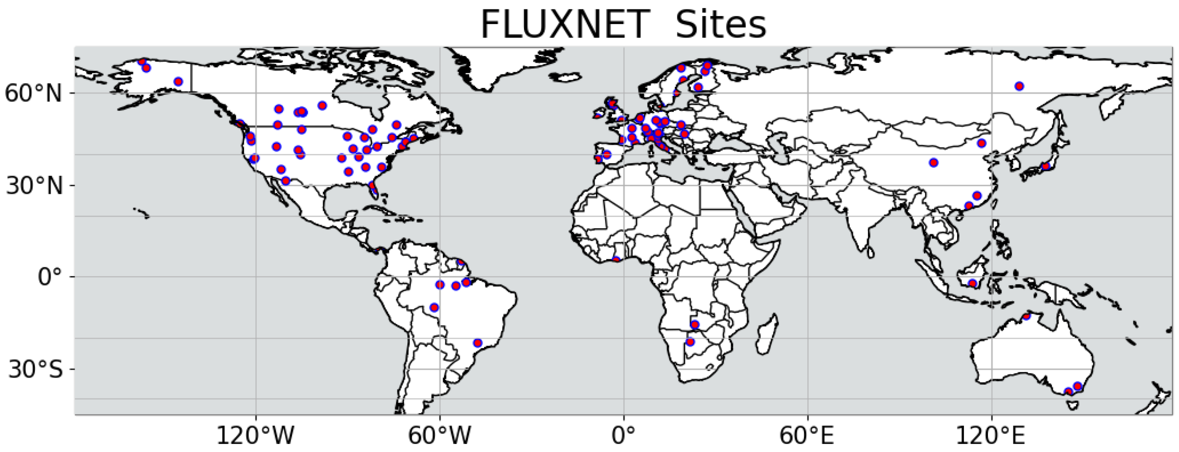
$$f(\lambda; z) \approx \bar{f}(z) + \sum_{m=1}^{M} \xi_m(\lambda) \sqrt{\mu_m} \phi_m(z)$$

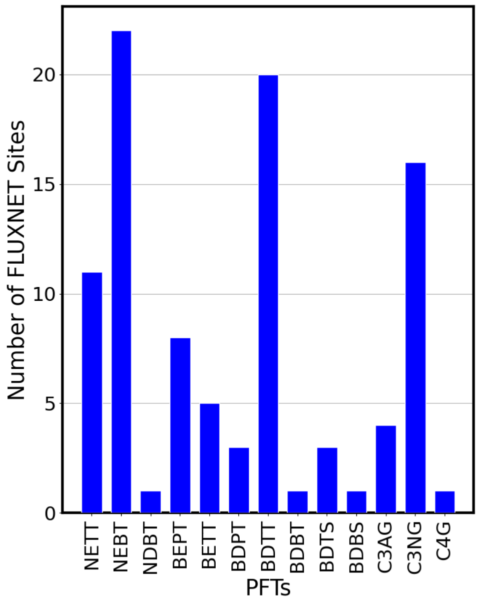
$\xi_m^{NN}(\lambda)$

Selected set of 96 FLUXNET sites

PFT Name	Short	Count
Boreal evergreen needleleaf tree	NEBT	22
Temperate evergreen needleleaf tree	NETT	11
Boreal deciduous needleleaf tree	NDBT	1
Tropical evergreen broadleaf tree	BEPT	8
Temperate evergreen broadleaf tree	BETT	5
Tropical deciduous broadleaf tree	BDPT	3
Temperate deciduous broadleaf tree	BDTT	20
Boreal deciduous broadleaf tree	BDBT	1
Temperate deciduous broadleaf shrub	BDTS	3
Boreal deciduous broadleaf shrub	BDBS	1
C3 arctic grass	C3AG	4
C3 non-arctic grass	C3NG	16
C4 grass	C4G	1



… selected to represent a range of Plant Functional Types (PFTs)



Case studies

Space \ Time	$N_t = 180$ Months (full 15 years)	$N_t = 12$ Months (average out interannual)	$N_t = 4$ Seasons (average out within seasons)	$N_t = 1$ (global time-average)
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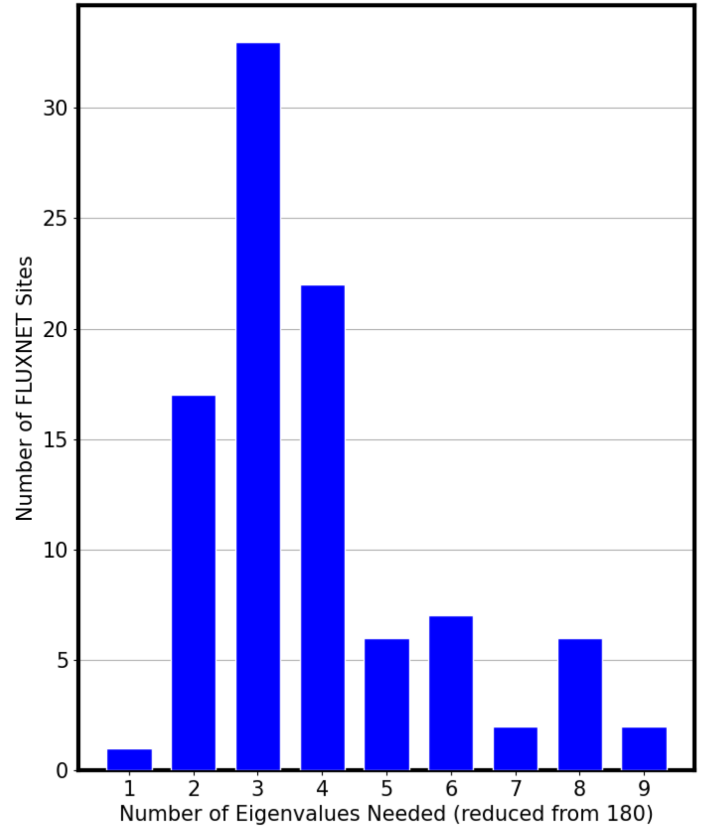
Dimensionality reduction via KL

Per-site dimensionality reduction



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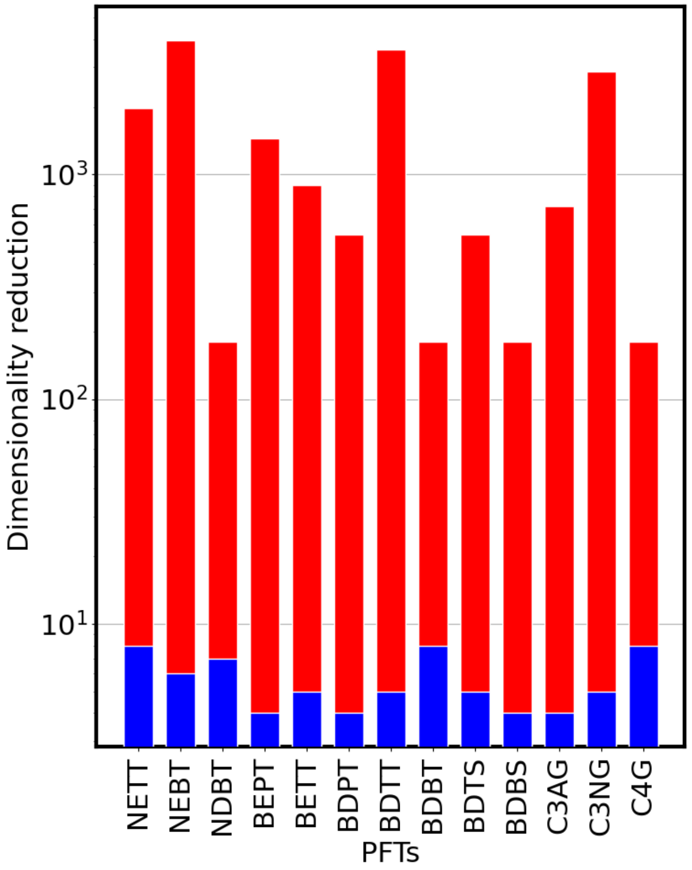
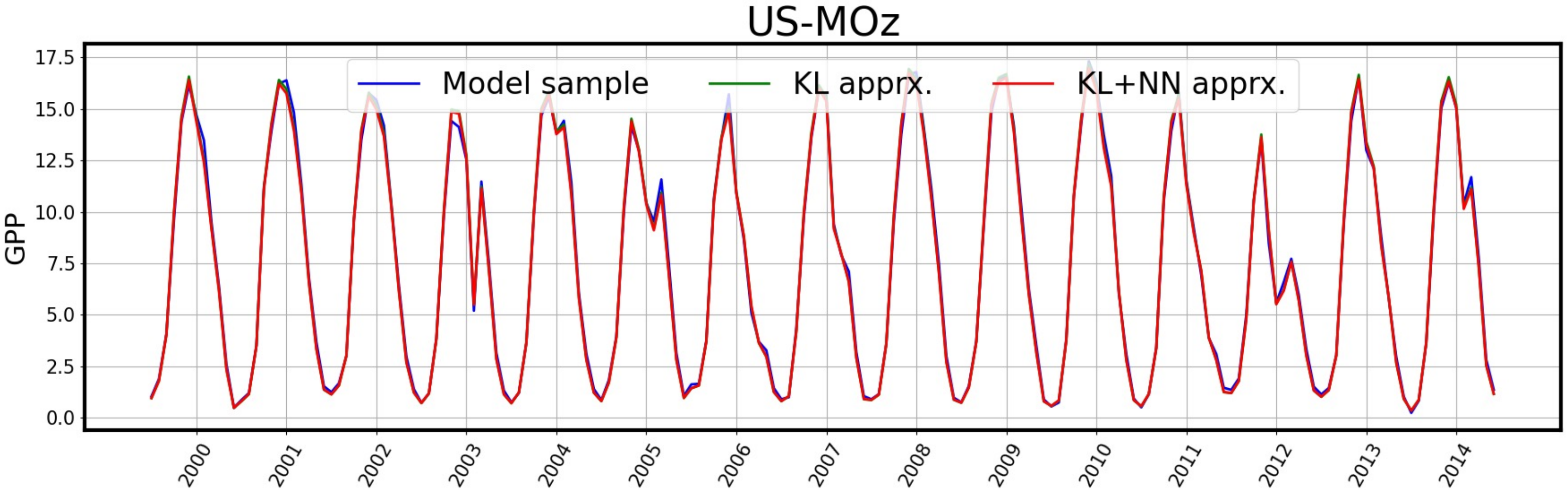
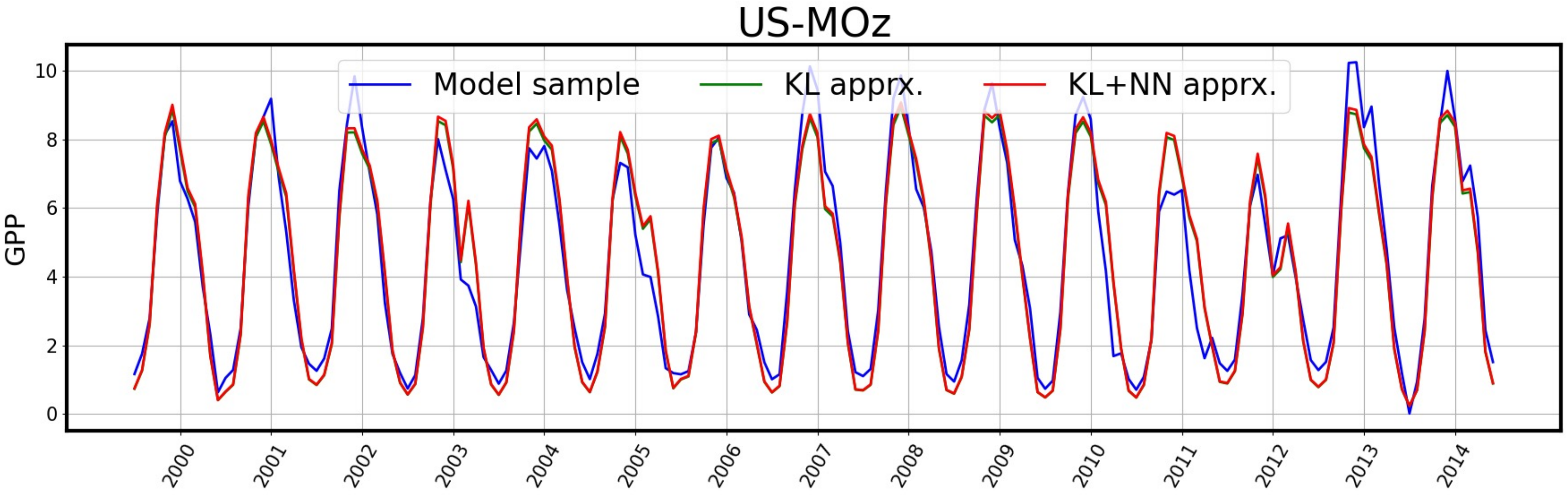


KL+NN: two levels of approximations

Two randomly selected samples





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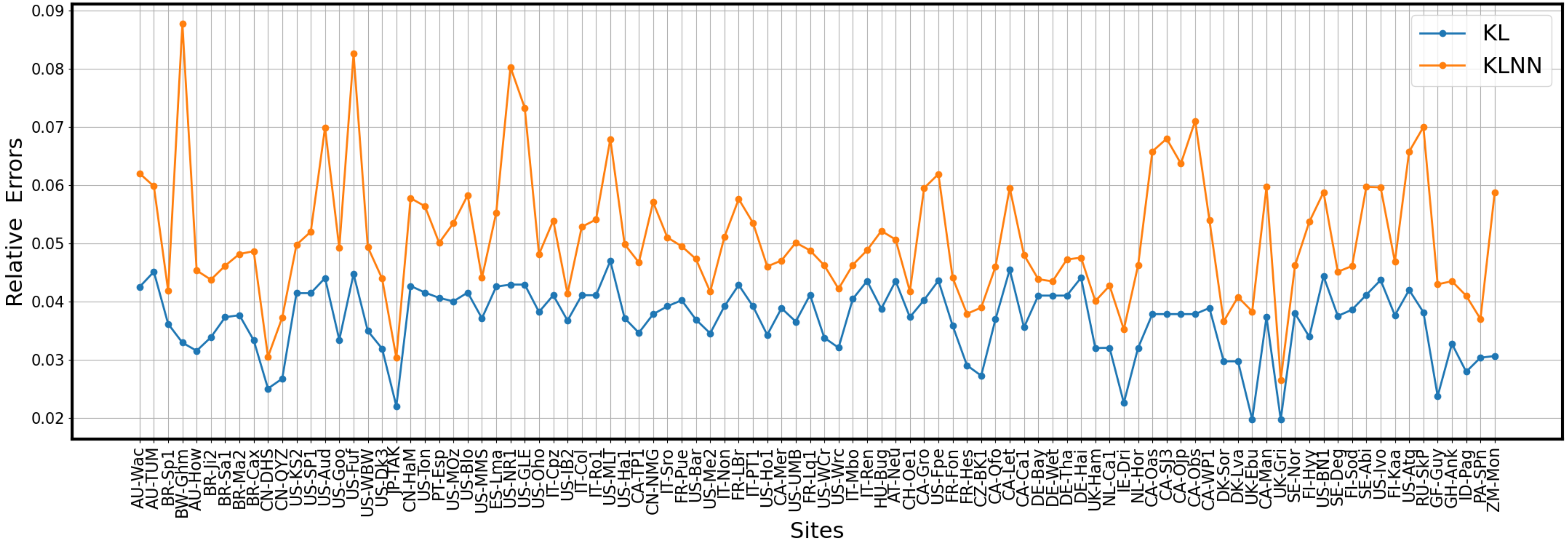
KL+NN surrogate performance

Instead of 96x180=**17280** surrogates, we build
a single NN surrogate in the reduced, **8**-dimensional latent space



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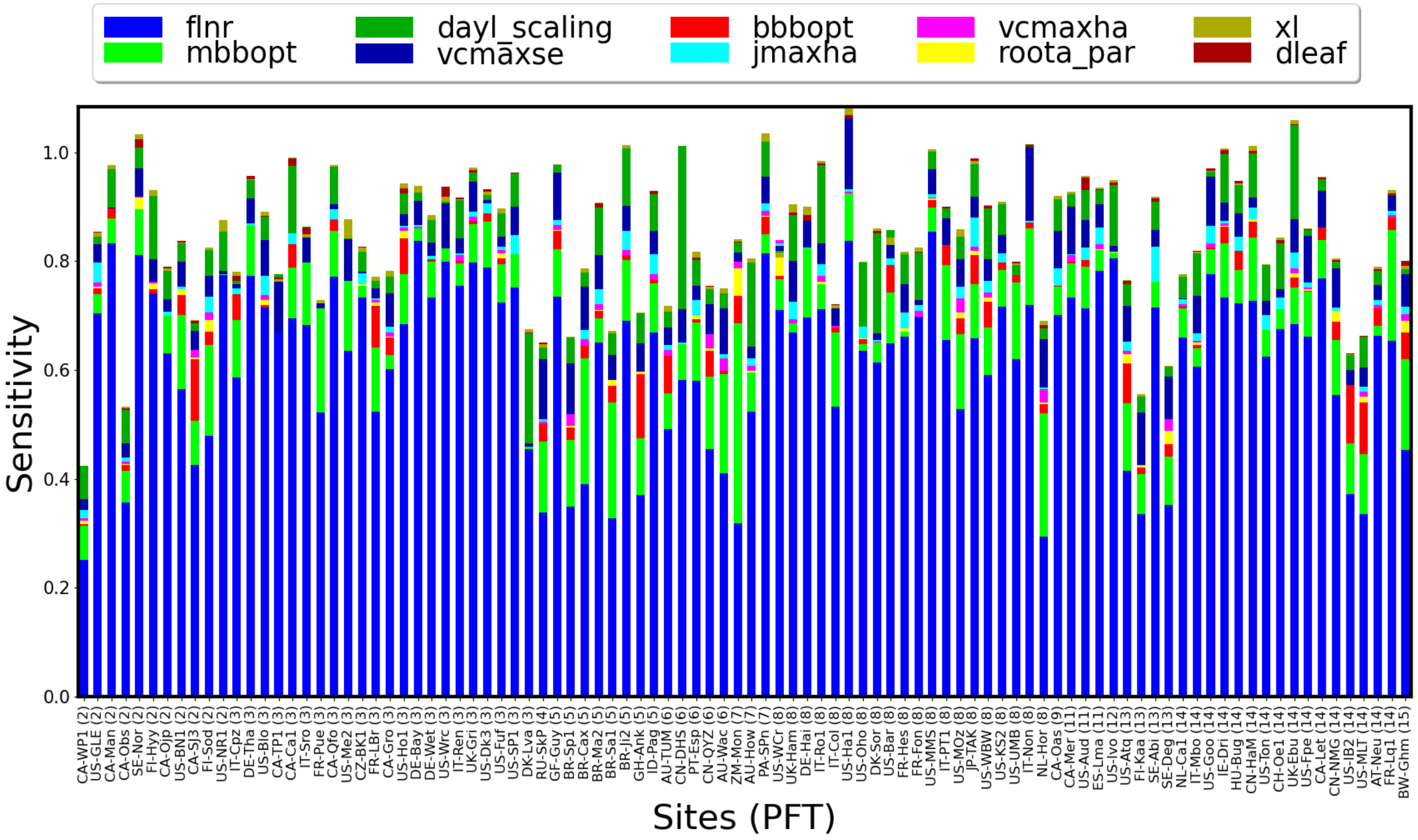
Sensitivity at 96 FLUXNET sites: RuBisCO leaf fraction (fLNR) is the most impactful param.



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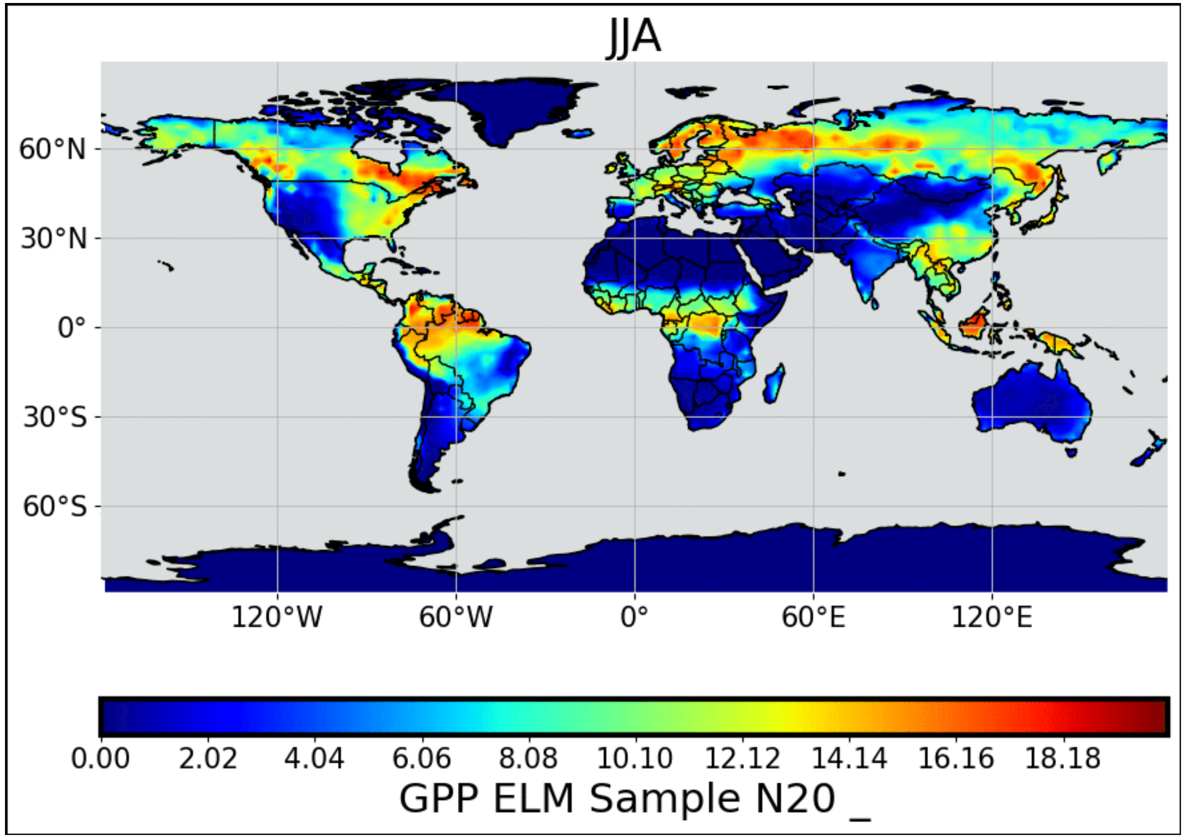
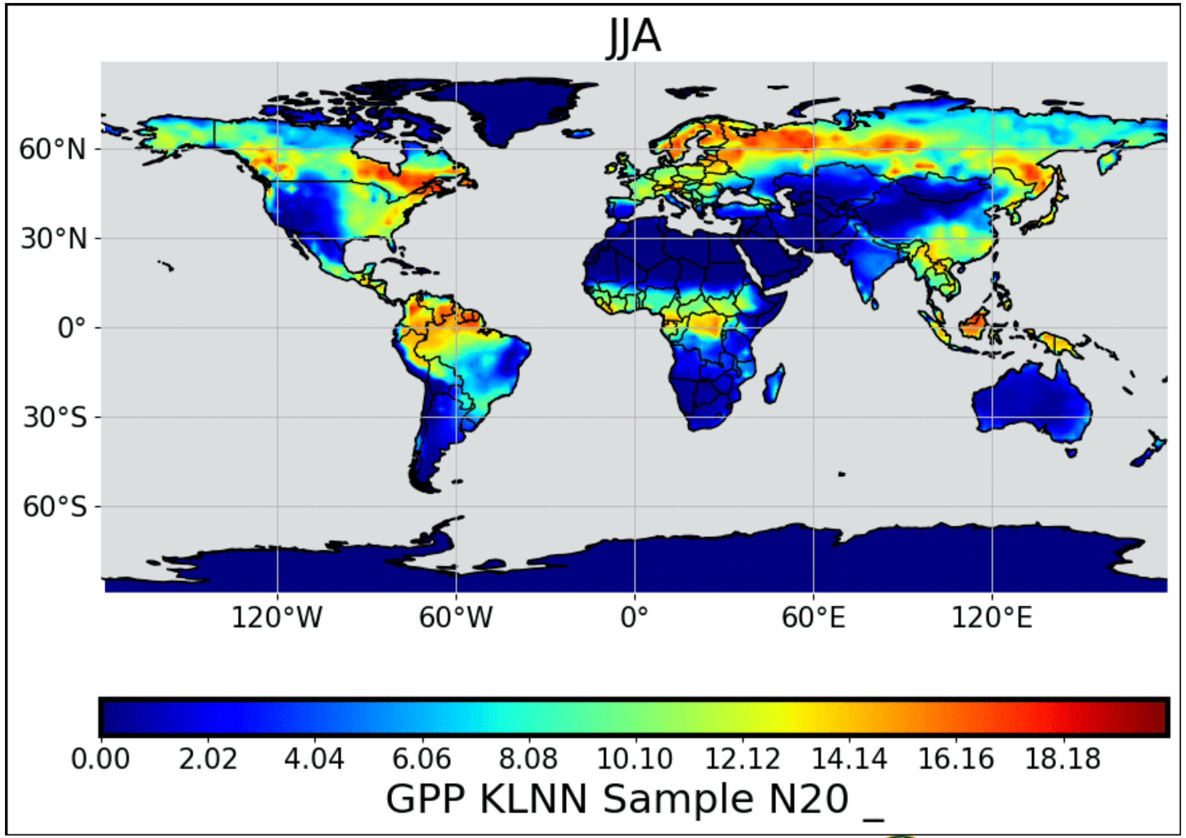
Dimensionality reduction from 4000 cells x 4 seasons = **16000** to **11**-dimensional latent space

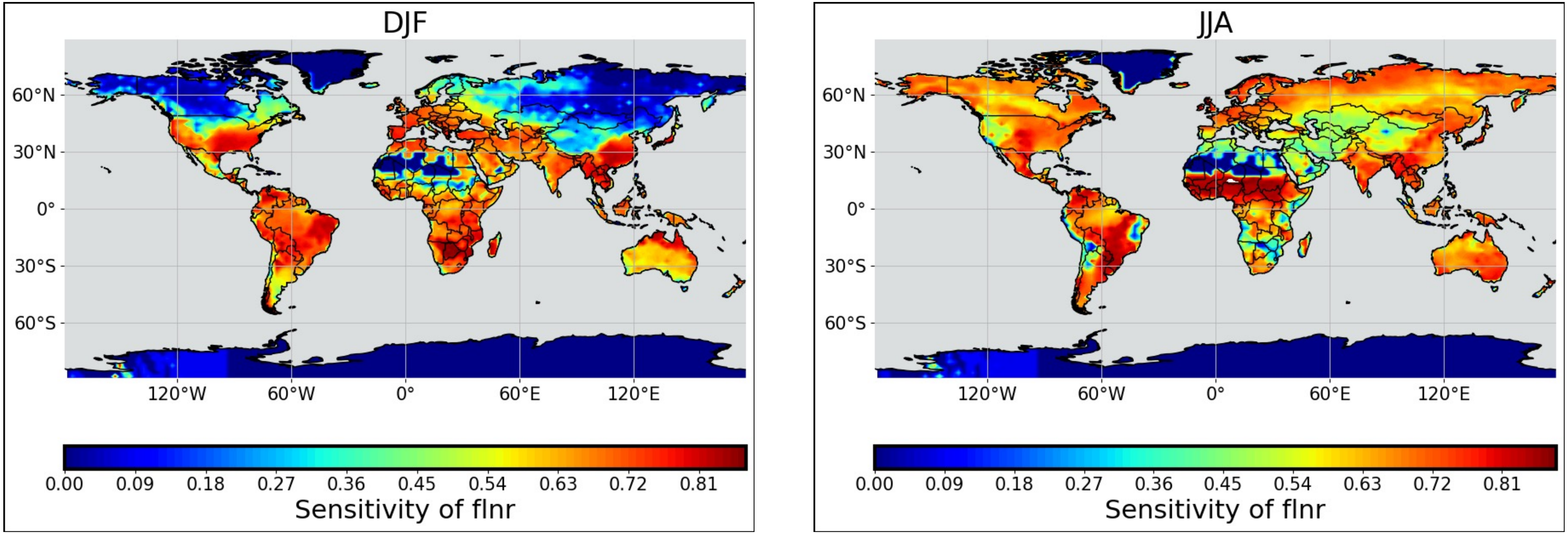
ELM Model Samples



KLNN Surrogate Samples



fLNR sensitivity across the globe



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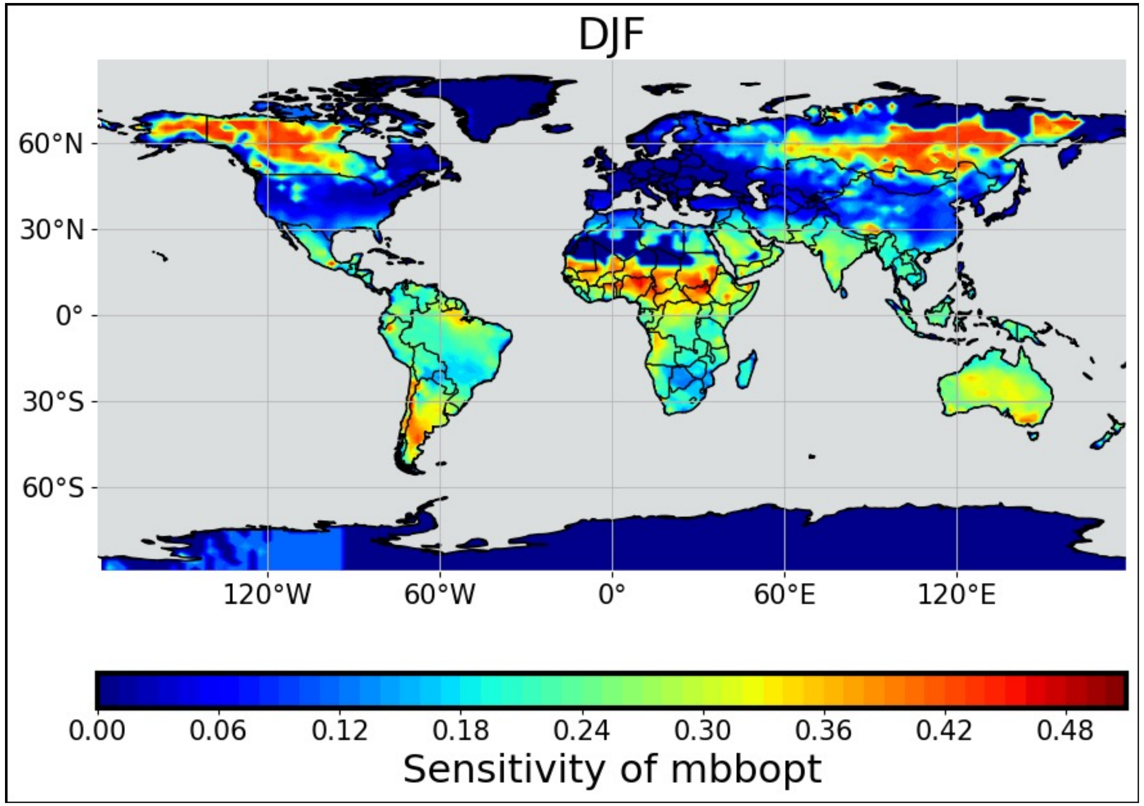
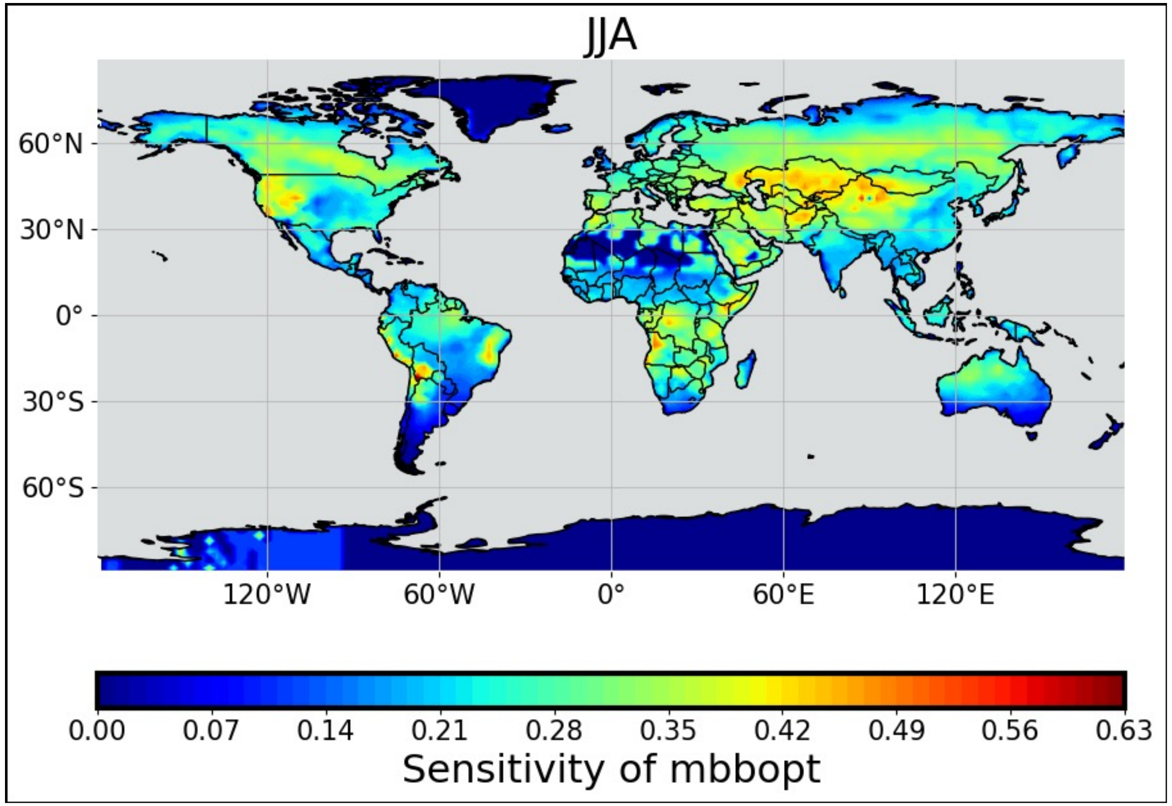




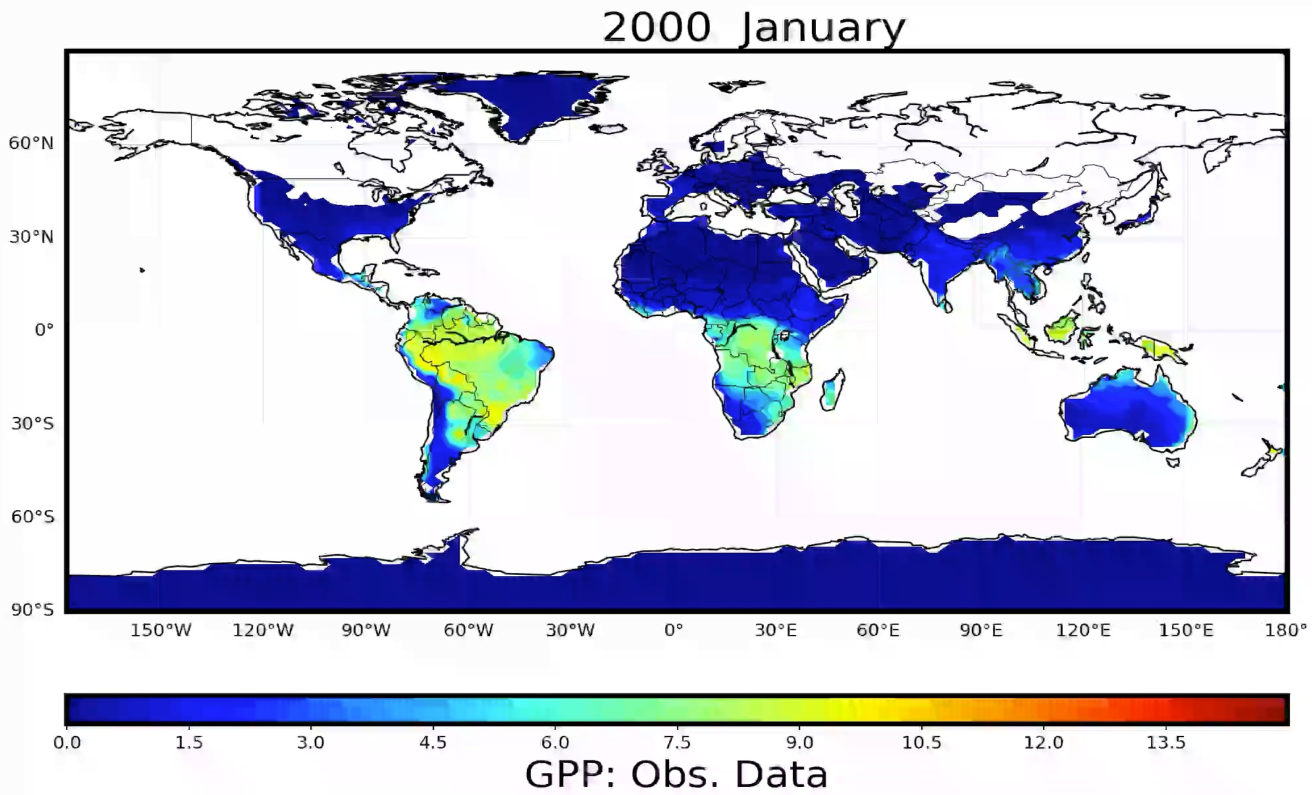
Inverse UQ

a.k.a. calibration or parameter estimation

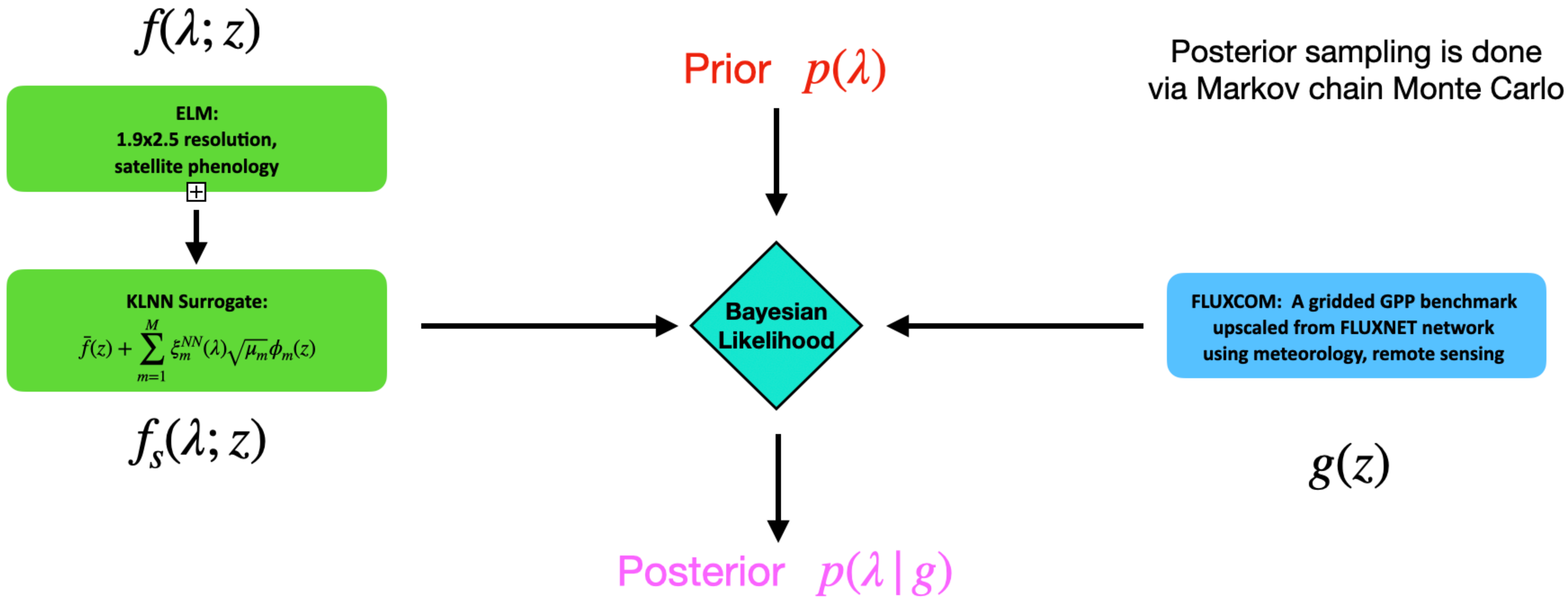
Reference Data

FLUXCOM: A gridded GPP benchmark upscaled from FLUXNET network using meteorology, remote sensing

https://www.fluxcom.org/



Bayes' formula $p(\lambda \mid g) \propto p(g \mid \lambda)\, p(\lambda)$



Bayesian Likelihood is constructed in the reduced space

Bayes' formula $p(\lambda|g) \propto p(g|\lambda)p(\lambda)$

KLNN surrogate:

$$f(\lambda; z) \approx \bar{f}(z) + \sum_{m=1}^{M} \xi_m^{NN}(\lambda)\sqrt{\mu_m}\phi_m(z)$$

Project observed data to the KL eigenspace:

$$g(z) \approx \bar{f}(z) + \sum_{m=1}^{M} \eta_m\sqrt{\mu_m}\phi_m(z)$$

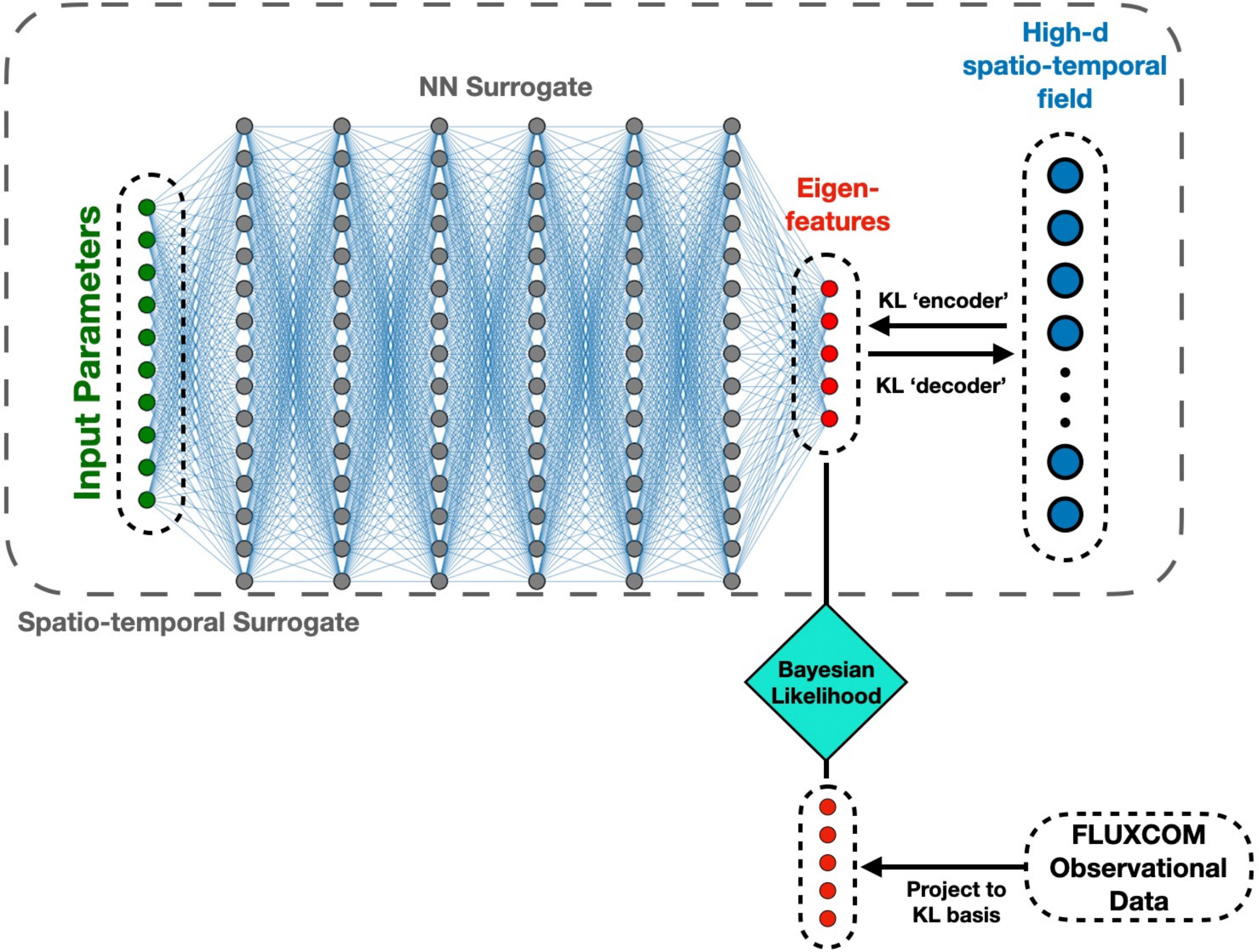
Pointwise likelihood (naïve) :

$$L_g(\lambda) \equiv p(g|\lambda) \propto \exp\left(-\sum_{i=1}^{N}\frac{(g(z_i) - f(\lambda; z_i))^2}{2\sigma_i^2}\right)$$

Reduced likelihood :

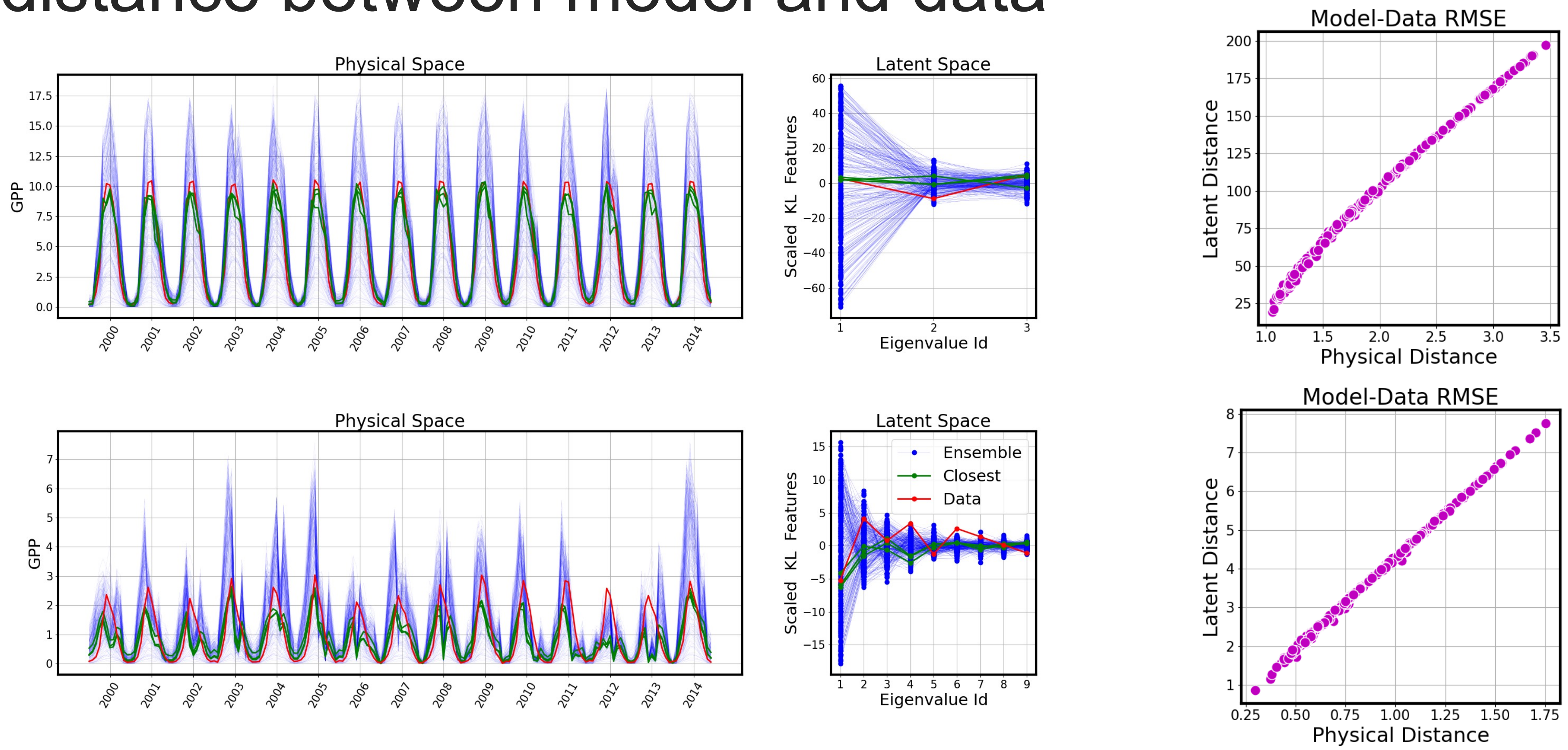
$$L_g(\lambda) \equiv p(g|\lambda) \propto \exp\left(-\sum_{m=1}^{M}\frac{(\eta_m - \xi_m^{NN}(\lambda))^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

Eigenfeatures ξ_m's are uncorrelated, zero-mean, unit variance,
hence iid gaussian likelihood is a much better assumption in the reduced space.



Surrogate-enabled calibration workflow incorporates both forward and inverse UQ tasks

Latent space distance is well-correlated with the physical distance between model and data



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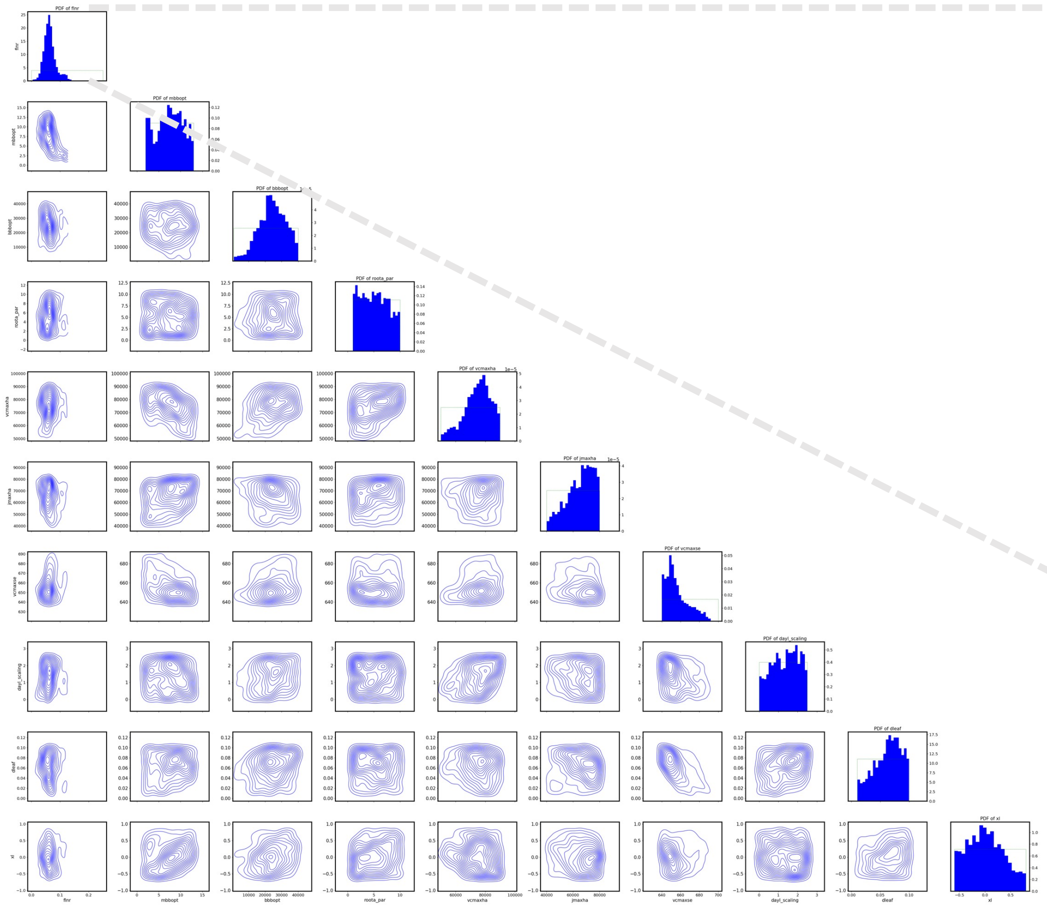
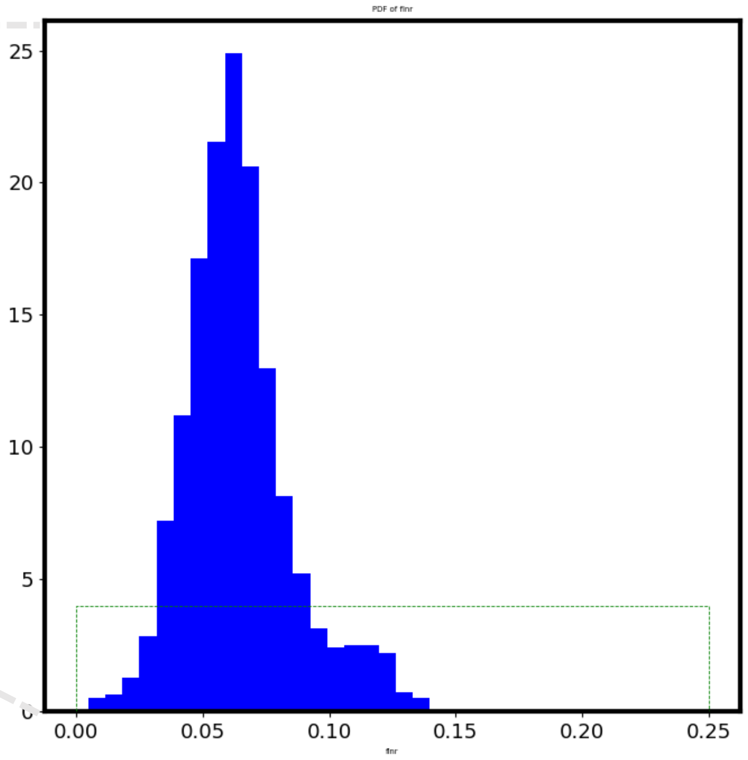
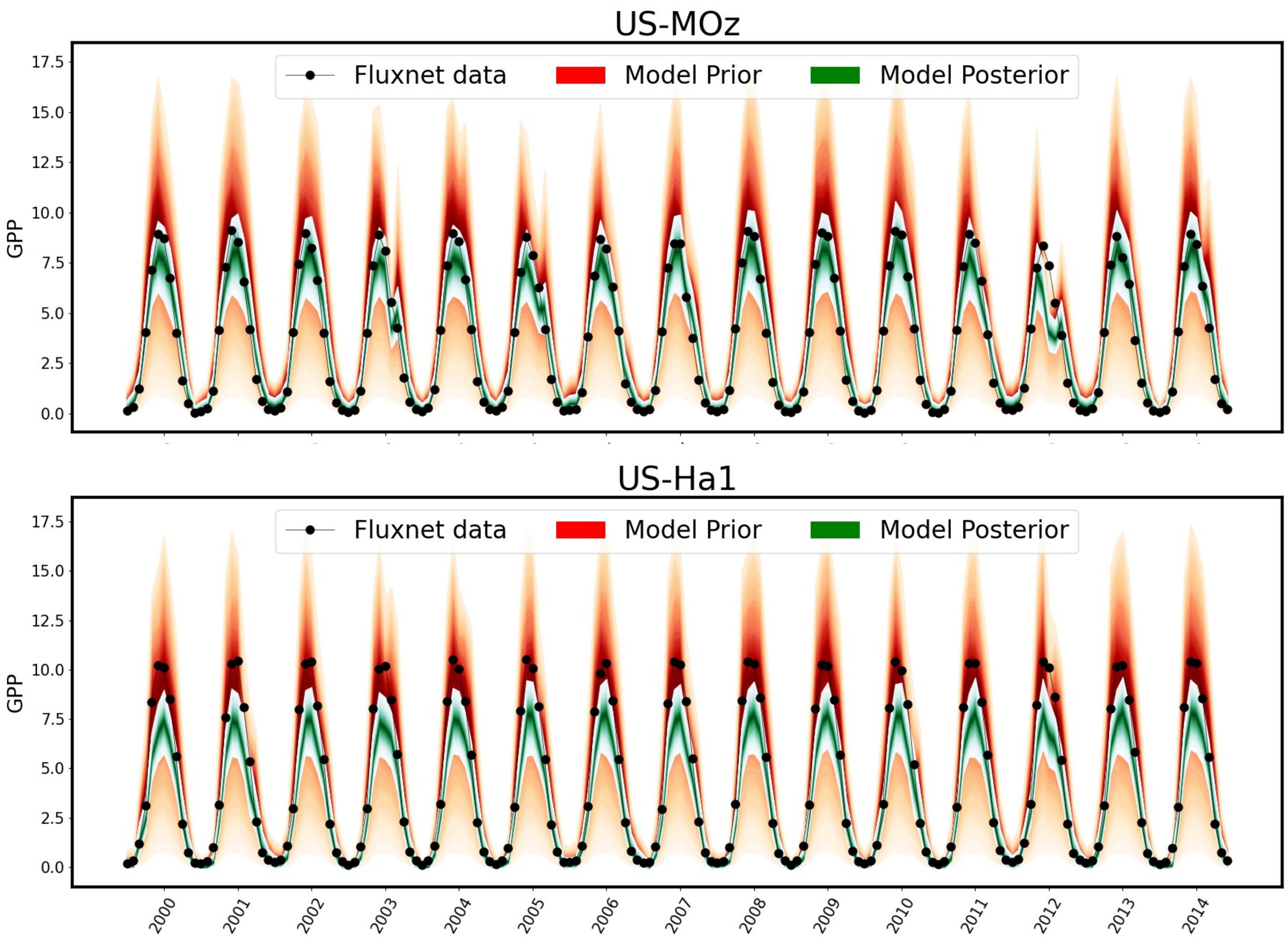
Bayesian MCMC calibration enabled by KLNN surrogate





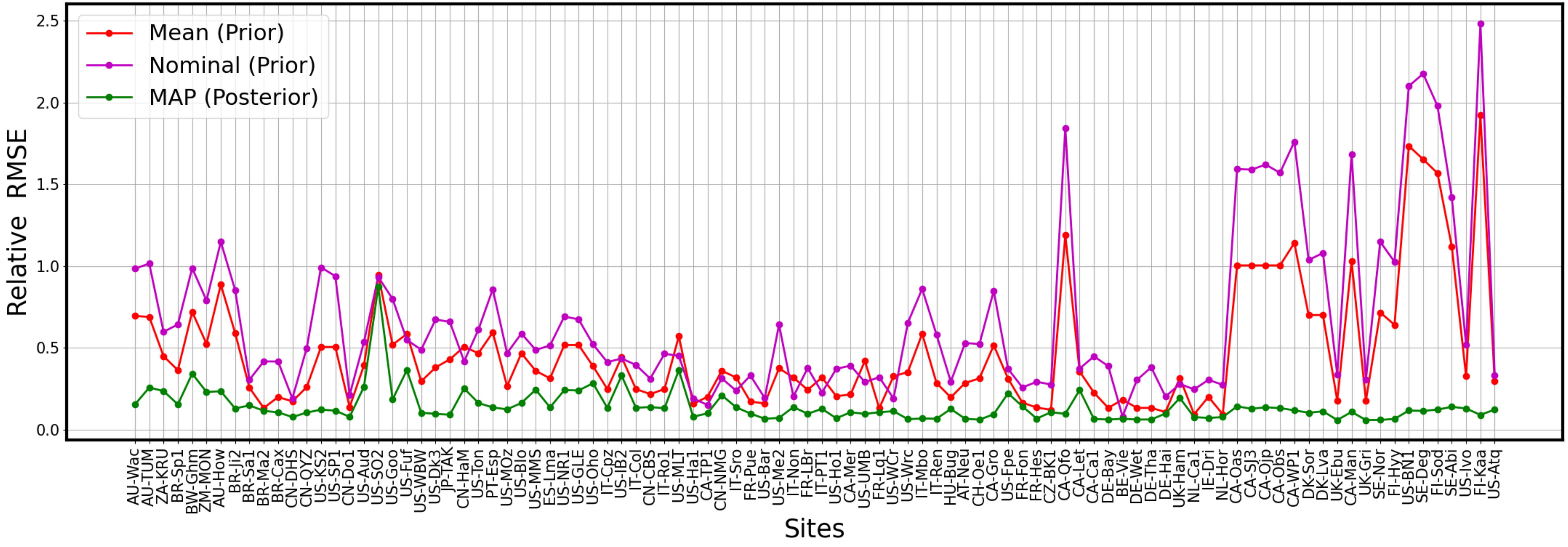
RuBisCO leaf fraction (**fLNR**) is the most constrained parameter

Time evolution of GPP at select FLUXNET sites



Calibration brings model prediction closer to reference data

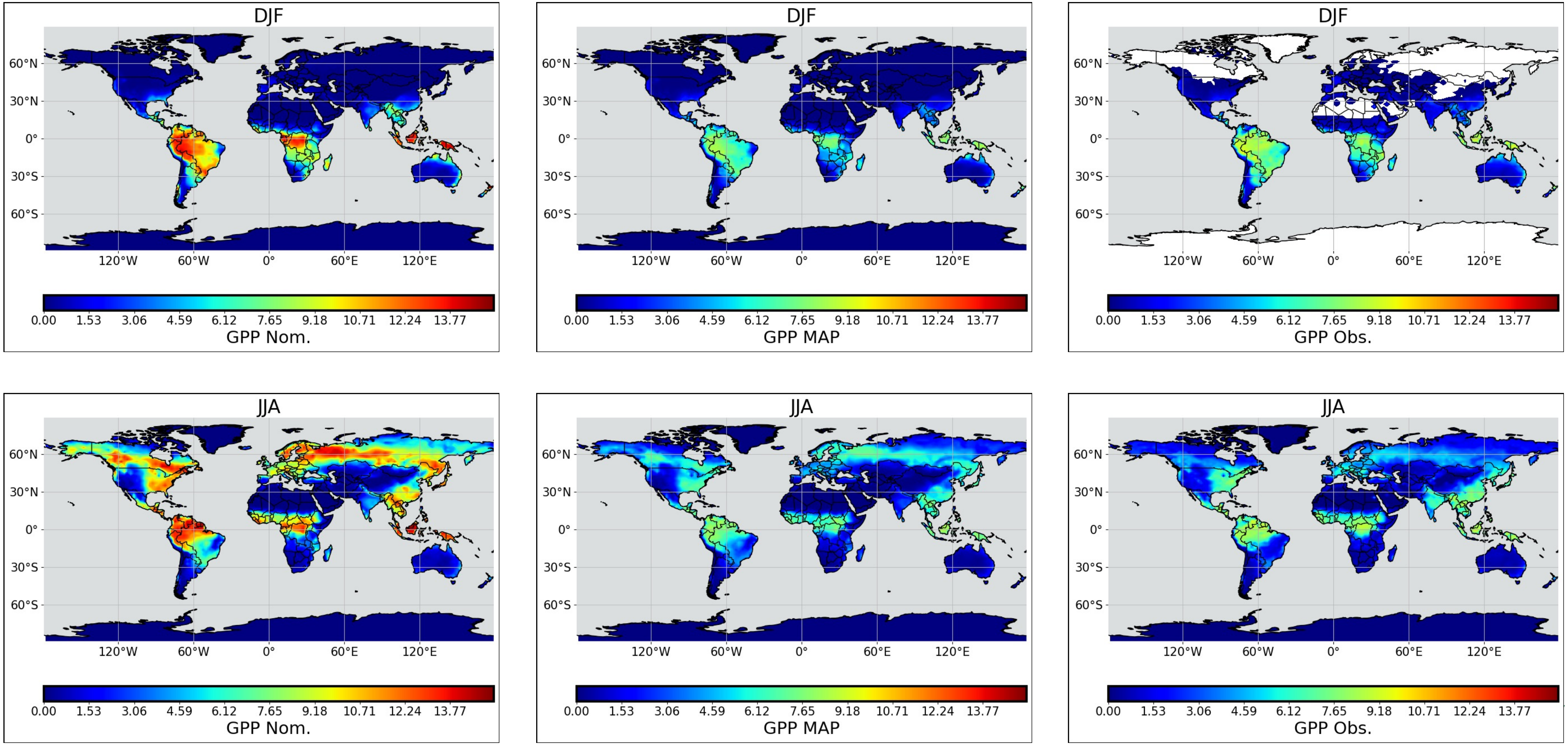
Site-specific parameters



Nominal parameter (prior) | Max a posteriori (MAP) | Reference data

Winter

Summer



Summary

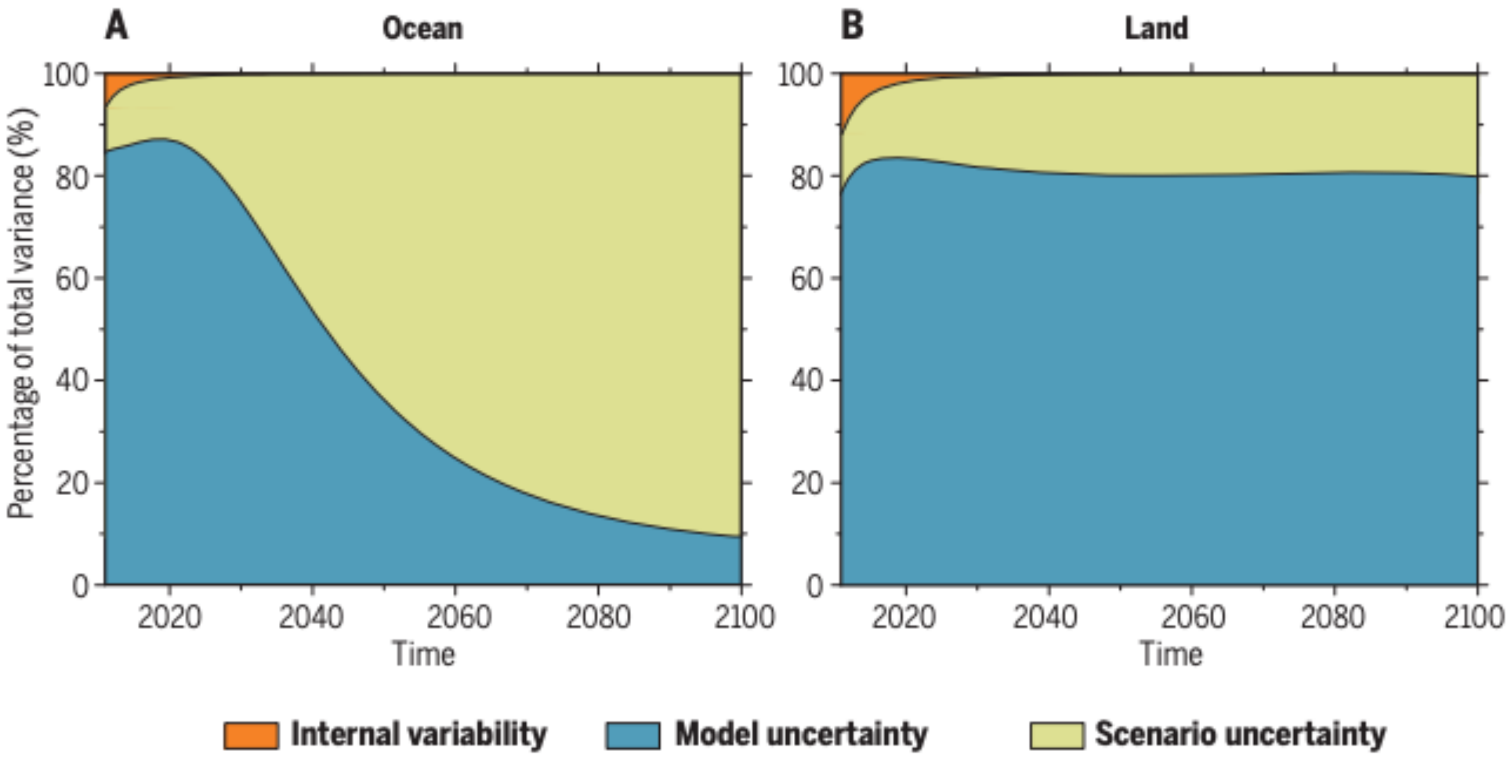
- Karhunen-Loève (KL) decomposition reduces the spatio-temporal output dimensionality, taking advantage of correlations over space and time.
- Neural network (NN) surrogate in the reduced eigenspace leads to a spatio-temporal KLNN surrogate that is a small fraction of ELM cost.
- KLNN surrogate enables sampling based global sensitivity analysis and Bayesian calibration performed in the eigenspace.

Ongoing work:
- *Potential PFT-dependent reparameterization to improve model's ability to match reference data.*
- *Calibration with embedded model discrepancy to avoid overfitting.*

Additional Material

Motivation: Model Uncertainty dominates for Land Model

Fig. 4. Ocean and land carbon cycle uncertainty. The percentage of total variance attributed to internal variability, model uncertainty, and scenario uncertainty in projections of cumulative global carbon uptake from 2006 to 2100 differs widely between (**A**) ocean and (**B**) land. The ocean carbon cycle is dominated by scenario uncertainty by the middle of the century, but uncertainty in the land carbon cycle is mostly from model structure. Data are from 12 ESMs using four different scenarios (94).



Bonan and Doney,
Climate, ecosystems, and planetary futures: The challenge to predict life in Earth system models. Science, 2018

Polynomial Chaos intro

- Our traditional tool for uncertainty representation and propagation
- Random variables represented as polynomial expansion of standard random variables, such as gaussian or uniform

$$\xi = \sum_{k=1}^{K} c_k \, \psi_k(\eta)$$

- Convenient for uncertainty propagation

$$f(\xi) = \sum_{k=0}^{K} f_k \, \psi_k(\eta)$$

- Moment estimation
- Global Sensitivity Analysis (a.k.a. Sobol indices or variance-based decomposition)

KL+PC = reduced dimensional spatio-temporal surrogate

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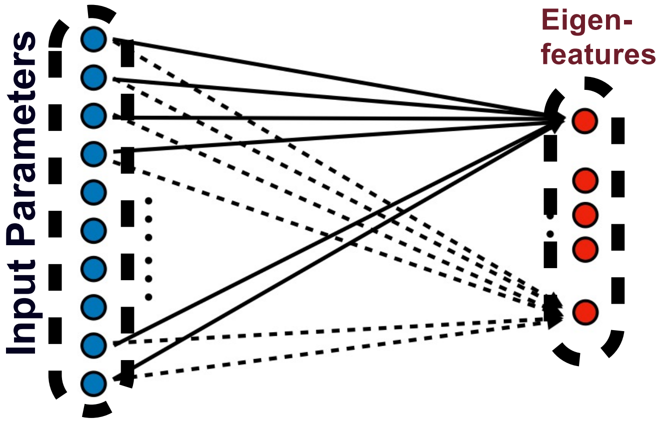
Instead of building surrogate for each individual z_i for $i = 1, \ldots, N$,
we construct polynomial chaos (PC) surrogate for $\xi_1, \ldots, \xi_M$ where $M \ll N$.

$\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_d$



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$\xi_m^{PC}(\lambda)$

PC vs NN comparison

Polynomial Chaos	Simple regression, easy to train	GSA and variance decomposition, More interpretable
Neural Network	More flexible, highly customizable	Multiple outputs at once, More accurate (in theory)

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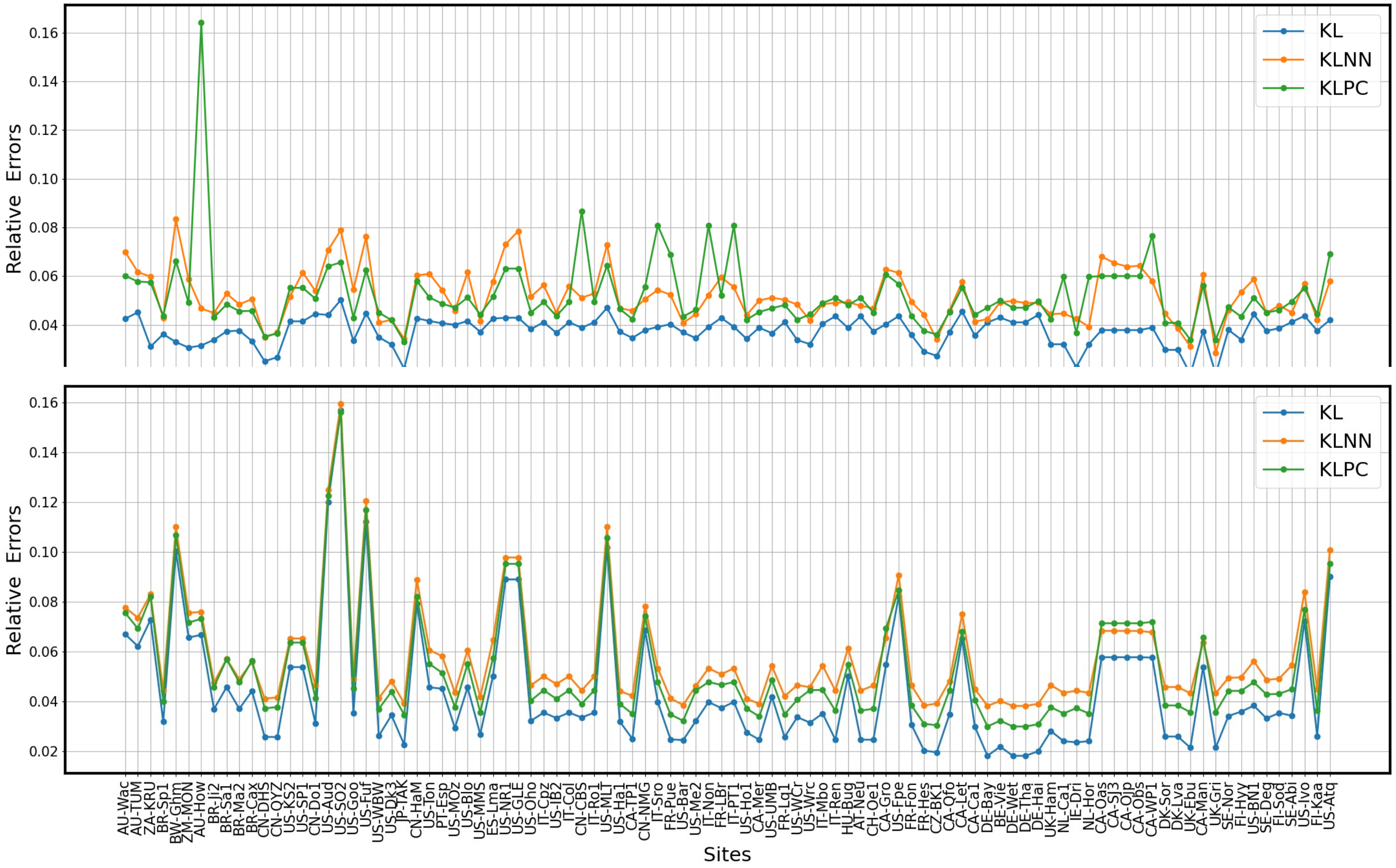

96 temporal surrogates with each 180 outputs

Single spatio-temporal surrogate with 96x180 outputs

Likelihood in the reduced space is still Gaussian, but MVN

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Data model (old) : **i.i.d. Normal**

$$g(z_i) = f(\lambda; z_i) + \sigma_i \epsilon_i$$

Latent-space likelihood (new) :

$$L_g(\lambda) \equiv p(g|\lambda) \propto \exp\left(-\sum_{m=1}^{M} \frac{(\eta_m - \xi_m^{NN}(\lambda))^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

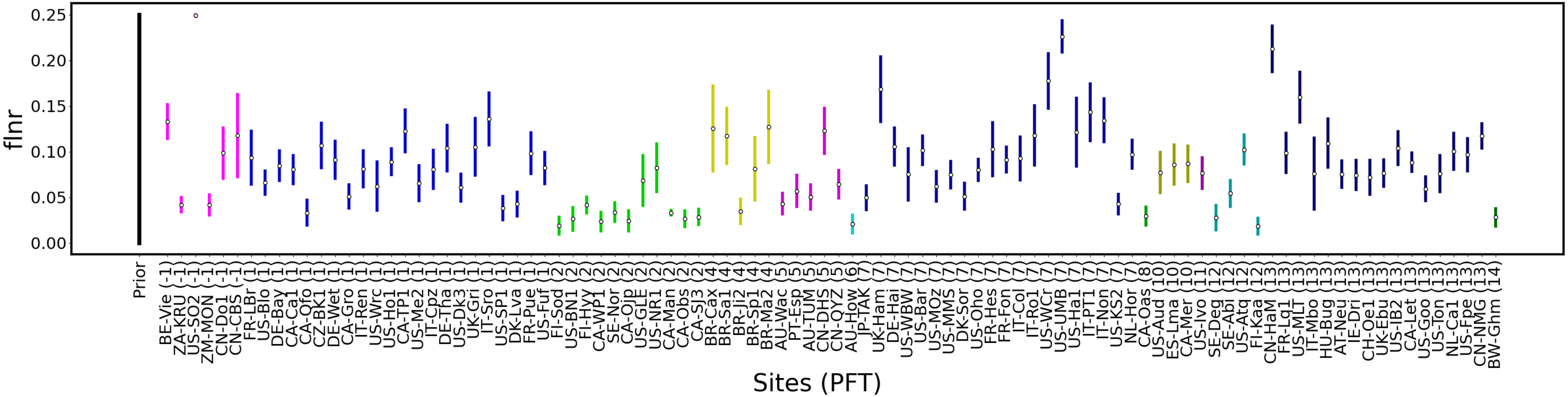
Data model (new) : **MVN (physics-based)**

$$\eta_m = \xi_m^{NN}(\lambda) + \sigma\tilde{\epsilon}_m$$

$$g(z_i) = f(\lambda; z_i) + \sum_{m=1}^{M} \tilde{\epsilon}_m \sqrt{\mu_m}\phi_m(z_i)$$

Local (site-specific) fLNR posterior PDFs

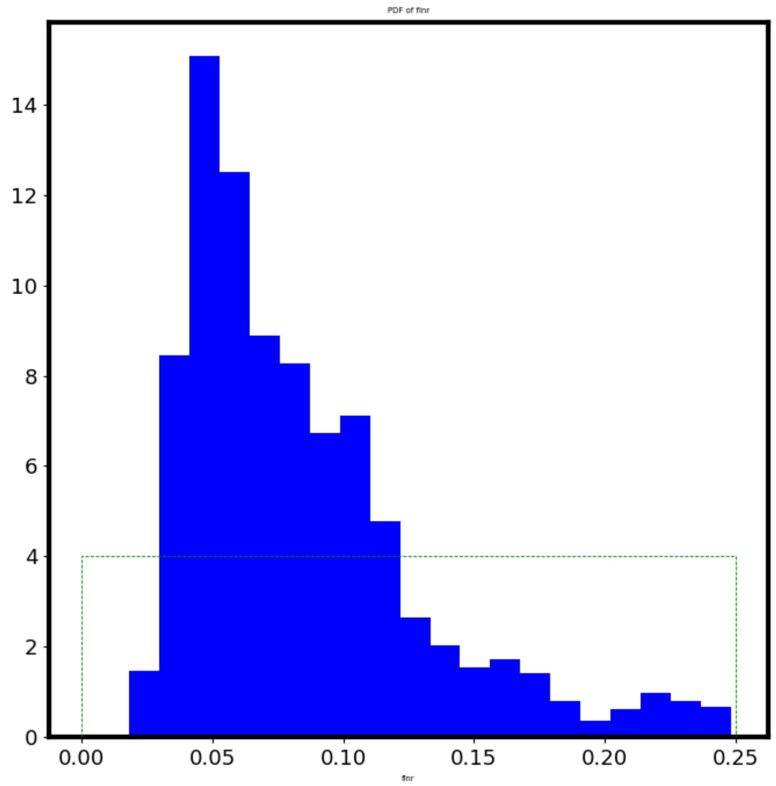
Grouped by PFTs



Two calibration regimes

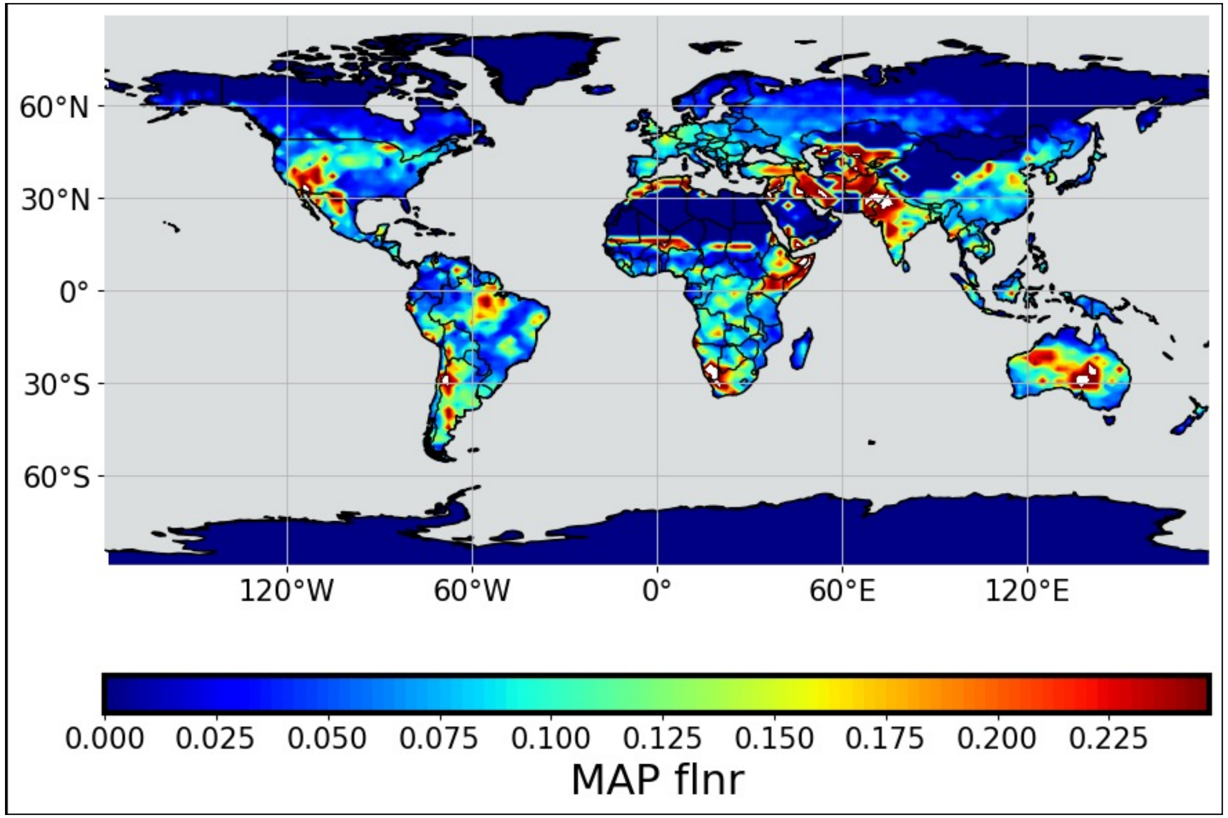
One global surrogate

Fixed global fLNR parameter

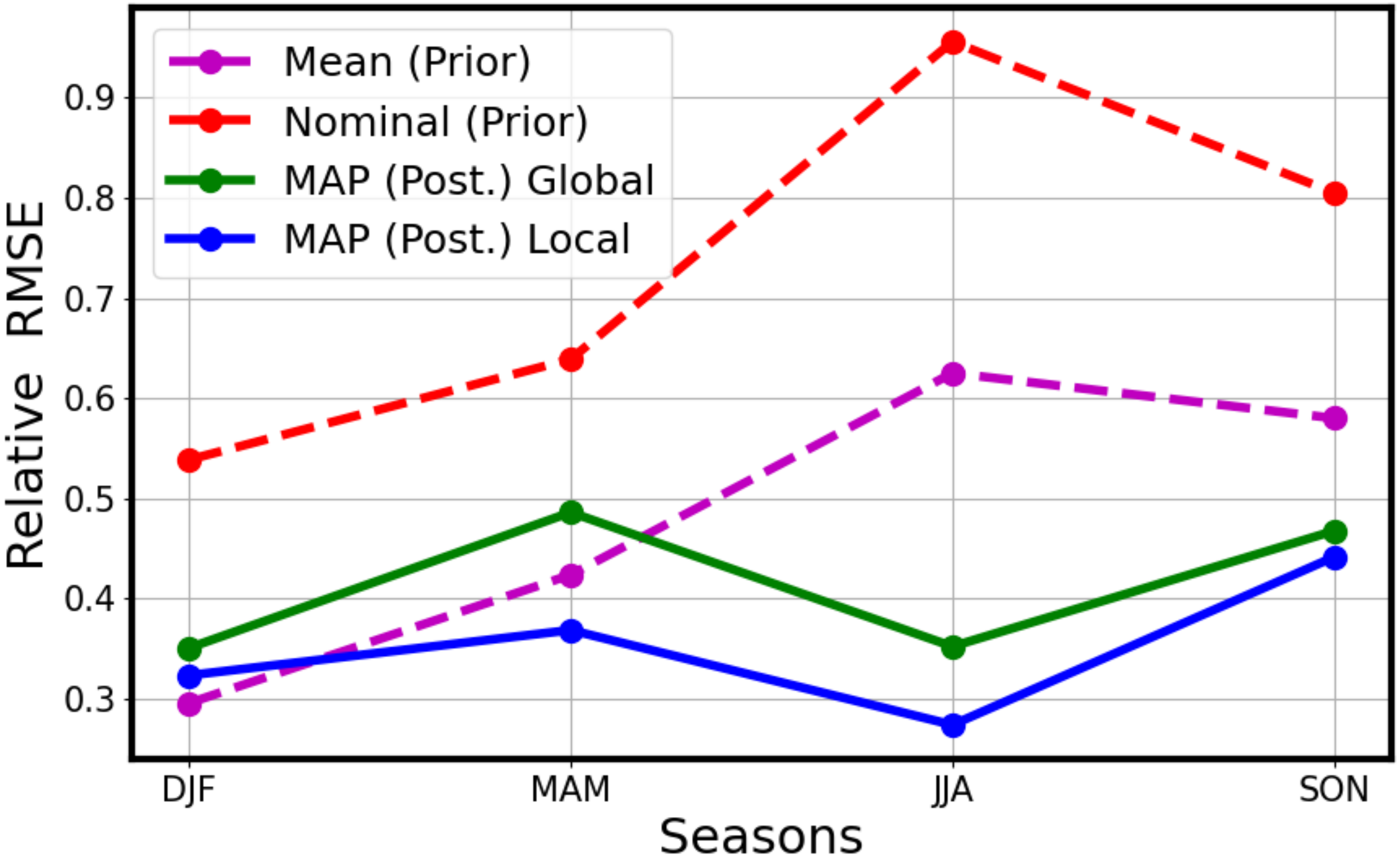


One surrogate per grid cell

Local fLNR parameter

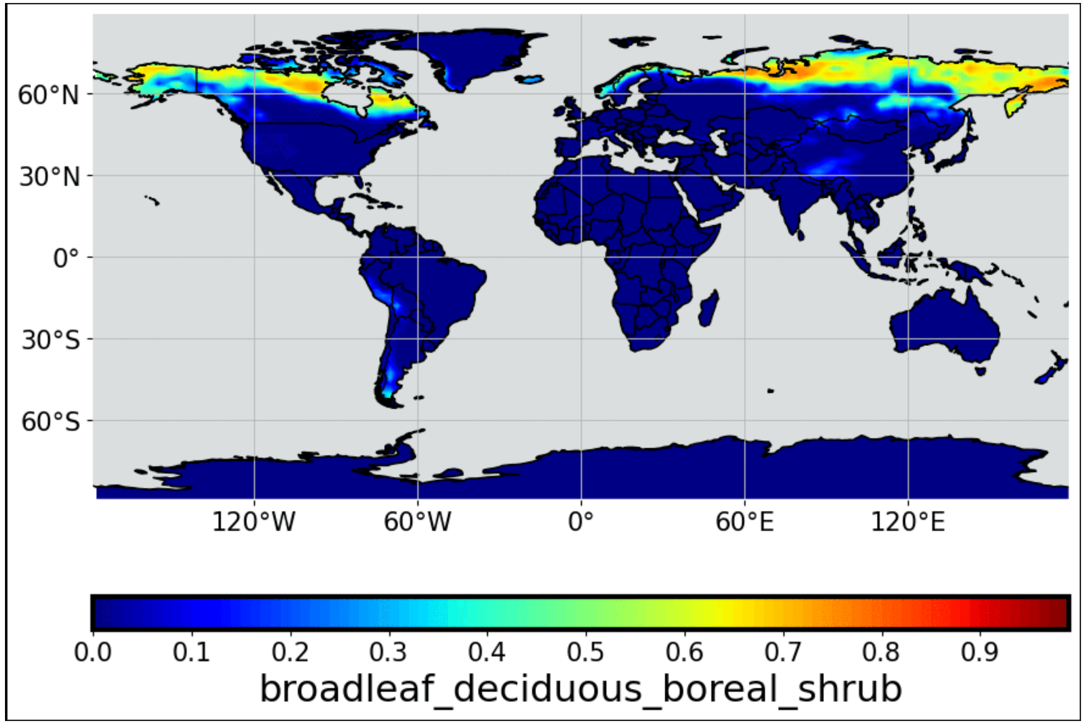


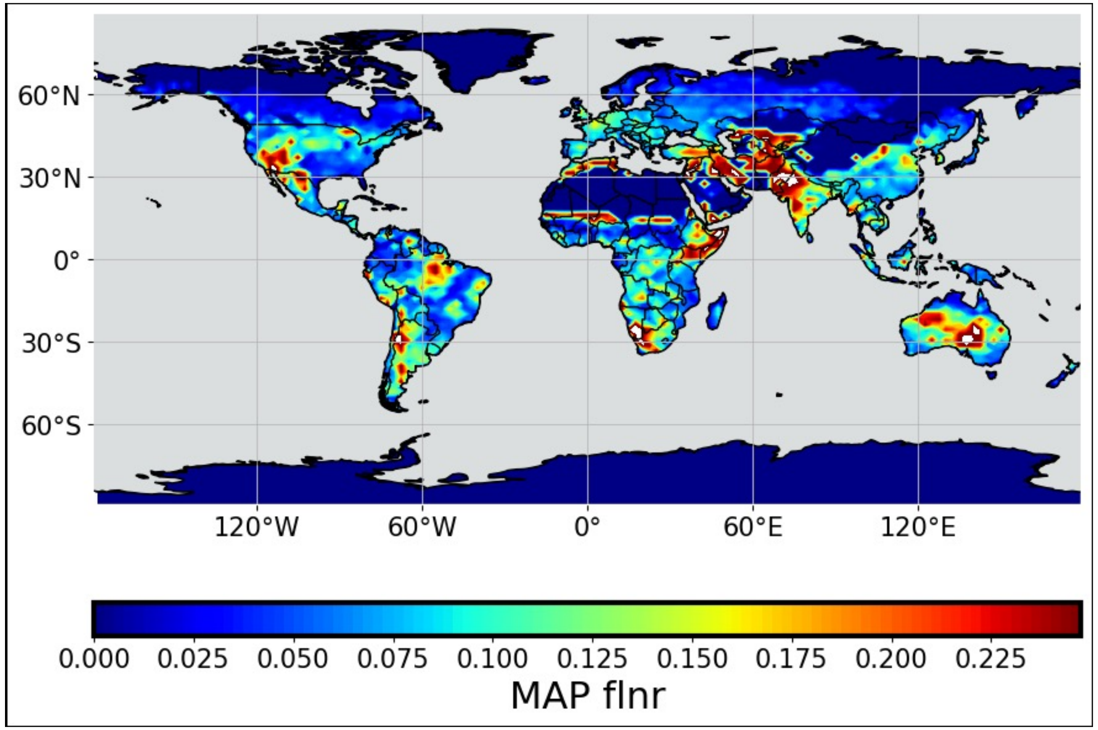
Localized calibration works slightly better



Correlate PFT fractions globally with best fLNR values

PFT Fractions for all PFTs





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