

# **Summary of Session on Utilization of Multi-Source Observations**

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# Presentations at this session

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## ■ Two keynotes

- ◆ Rolf Reichle, Towards Multivariate Land Data Assimilation in the NASA GEOS-5 System
- ◆ Paul Houser, Towards a Hyper-Resolution Integrated Water Observation and Prediction System

## ■ Two contributed talks

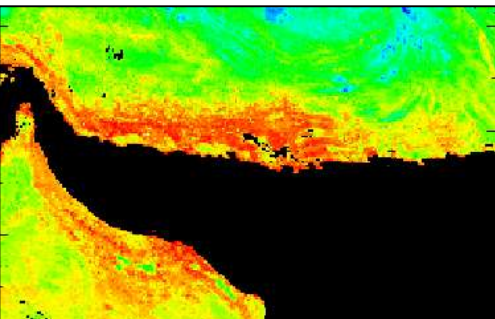
- ◆ Kinya Toride, Development of an Algorithm for Soil Moisture with High Spatial- and Temporal- Resolution
- ◆ J. M. Bergeron, Using Multivariate Data Assimilation to Improve Streamflow Predictions for a Mountainous Watershed

## ■ Posts

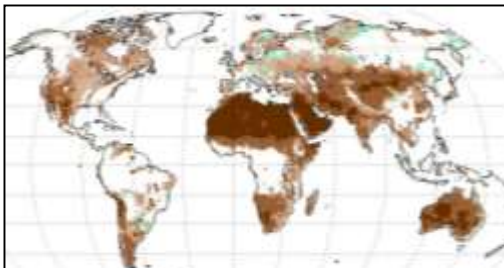
1. What is multi-source observations?



# From Rolf Reichle



Land surface temperature  
(MODIS, AVHRR, GOES, ...)



Surface soil moisture  
(SMMR, TRMM, AMSR-E,  
ASCAT, SMOS, SMAP)



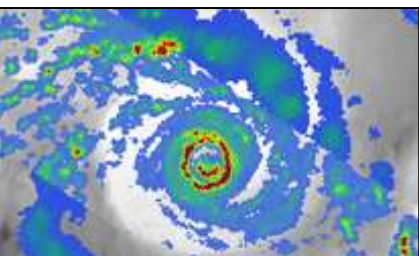
Snow water equivalent  
(AMSR-E, SSM/I,  
SCLP)



Snow cover fraction  
(MODIS, VIIRS)



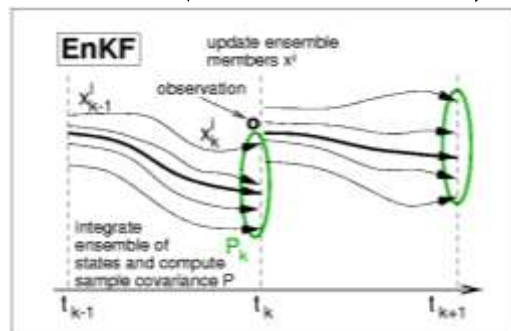
Water surface elevation  
(SWOT)



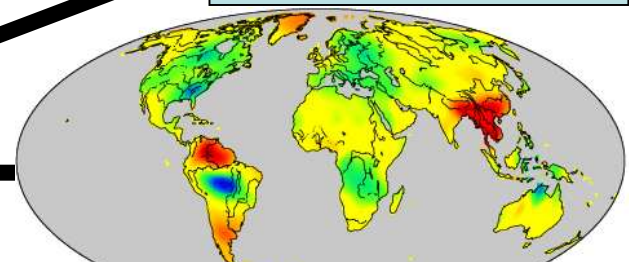
Precipitation  
(TRMM, GPM)



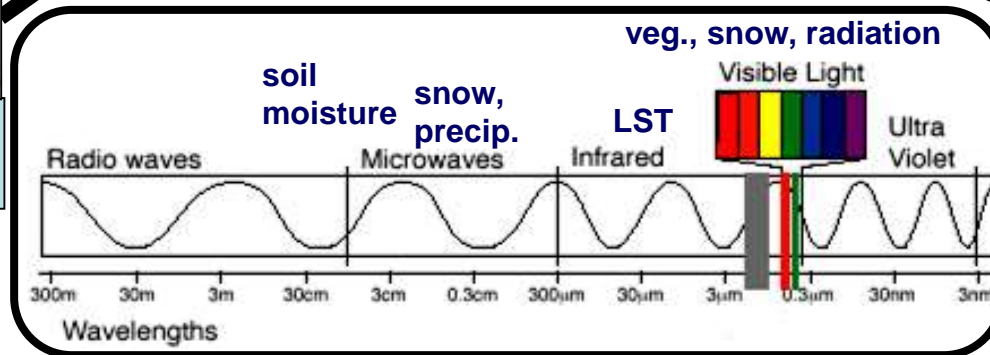
Radiation  
(CERES, CLARREO)



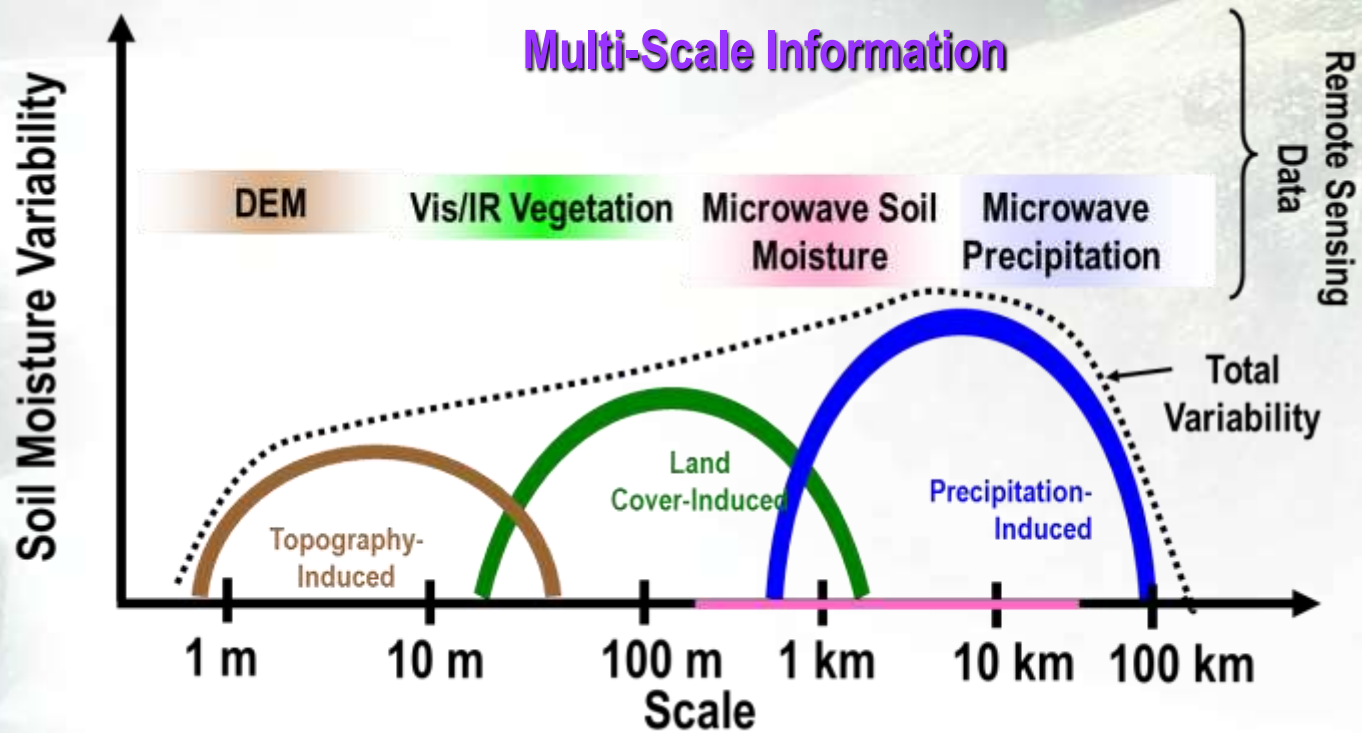
Land data assimilation system



Terrestrial water storage (GRACE)



Vegetation/Carbon  
(AVHRR, MODIS, DESDynI,  
ICESat-II, HypsIRI, LIST,  
ASCENDS)



What does an 1/8 degree grid cell look like in real life?



*Created by Paul Houser*



# Multi-source observations (1)

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- Multi-sensor observations, e.g., hydrological cycle
  - ◆ SMOS, SMAP: soil moisture, freeze/thaw status
  - ◆ SWOT: surface water level, river flow
  - ◆ CoReH2O/SCLP: SWE
  - ◆ GRACE: water storage
  - ◆ GLAS: glacier mass balance, water level
- Multi-scale observations
  - ◆ VHR: TerraSAR-X, COSMO-SkyMed, and a lot of VNIR sensors
  - ◆ HR: PalSAR, EnviSAT, Sentine, LandSat/, HJ
  - ◆ Moderate resolution: MODIS, FY, MERIS
  - ◆ Coarse resolution: SMOS, SSMI, AMSRE, GRACE

# Multi-source observations (2)

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- Multivariate analysis: soil moisture, SWE, LST, **fluxes**
- Multi-purpose: water cycle, carbon cycle, energy balance
- Raw data (TB, reflectance) vs. data products
- *In situ* and remote sensing

# Framework of Chinese Land Data Assimilation System (CLDAS)

Contributed by Huang Chunlin et al.

## Input

### RS Data

MODIS LST  
GLASS & MODIS LAI  
MODIS SCA  
AMSR-E TB

### Model Parameters

BNU Soil Texture  
CAREERI  
Land cover Map

### Forcing

GLDAS Forcing  
ITPCAS Forcing

## Models

### PM-RTM

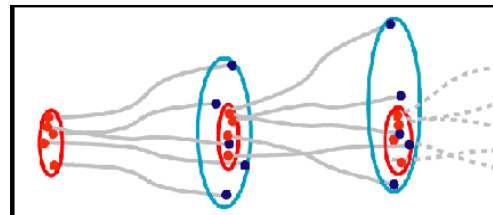
Soil (thaw/freeze)  
Snow, e.g. MEMLS  
Water

### LSM

CoLM

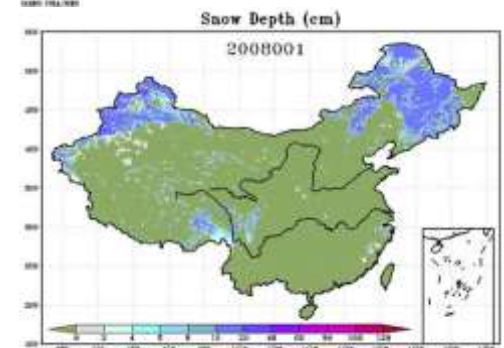
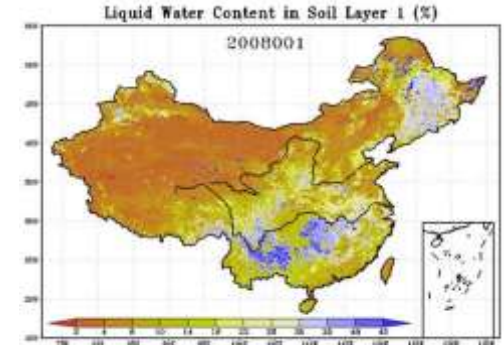
### DA Algorithm

EnKF



## Output

Soil Moisture  
Soil Temperature  
Surface fluxes  
Snow

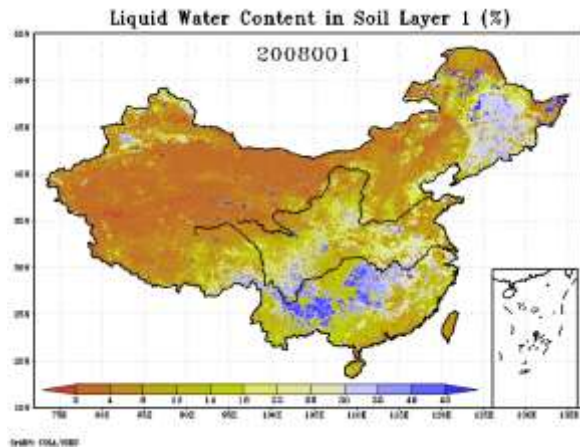




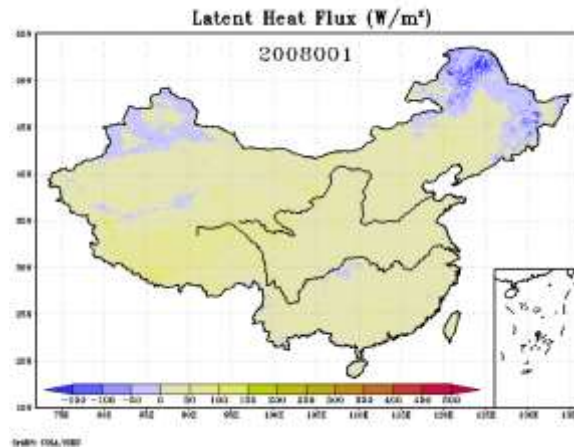
# Assimilation Results (Daily )

2008

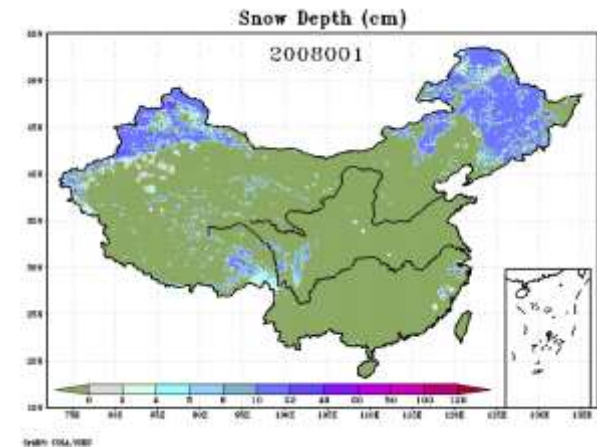
## Soil Moisture (Layer-1)



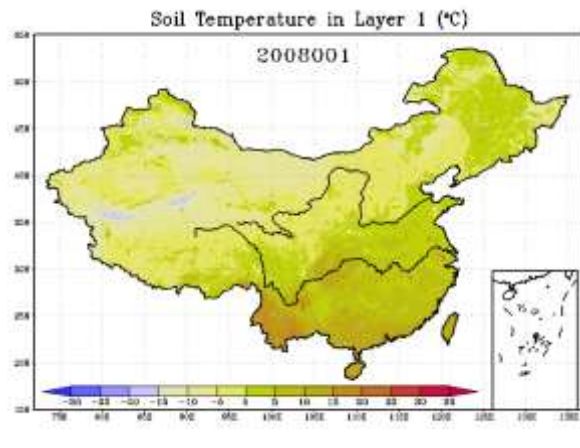
## Latent Heat Flux



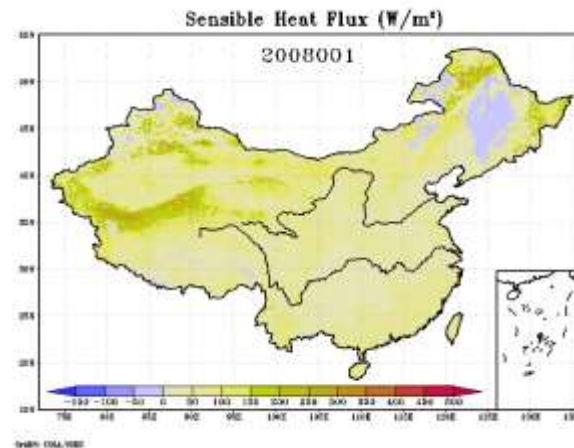
## Snow Depth



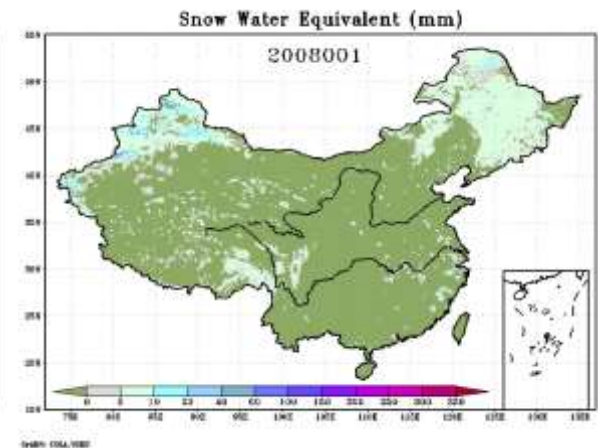
## Soil Temperature(Layer-1)



## Sensible Heat Flux



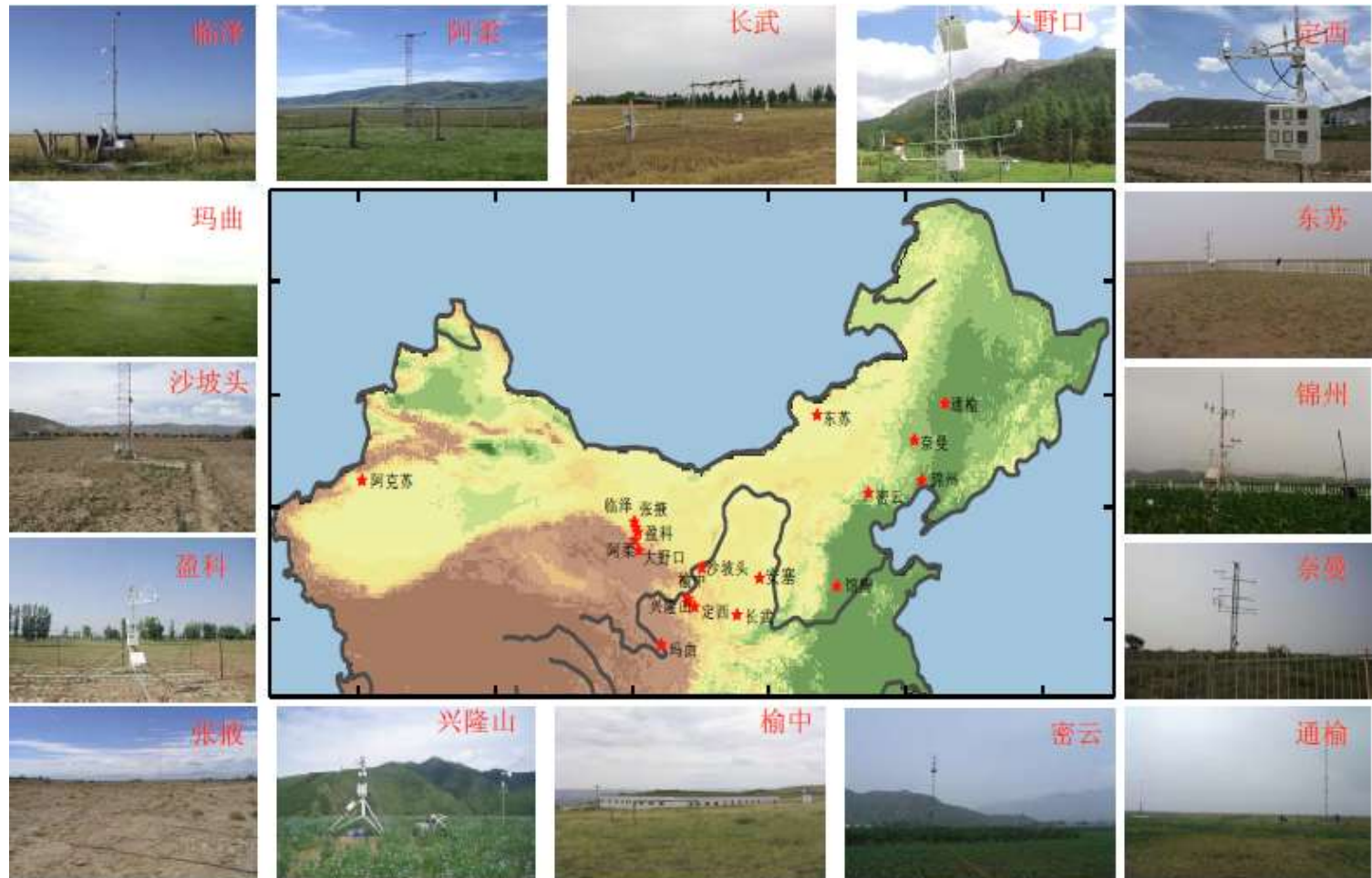
## SWE



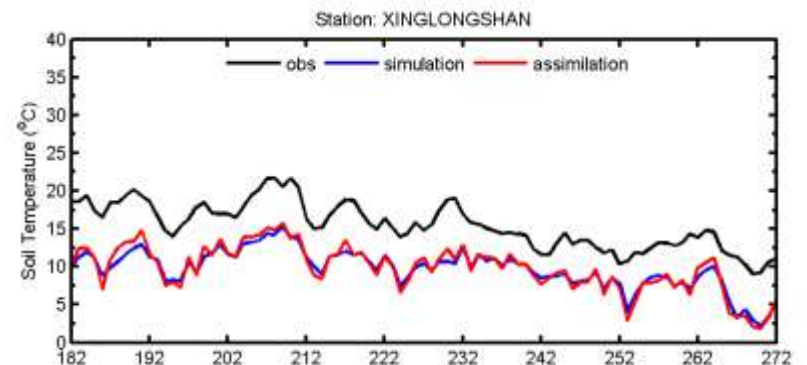
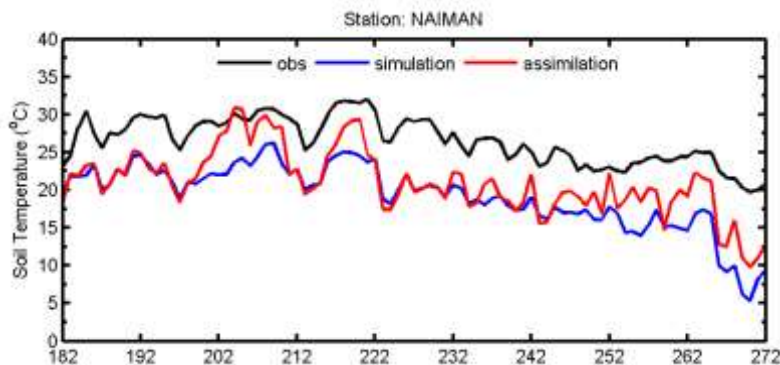
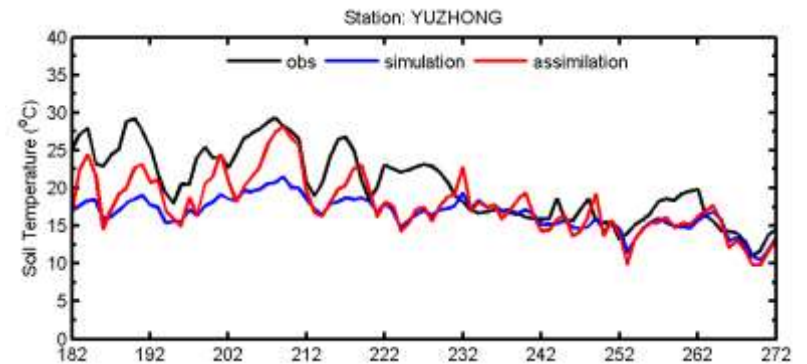
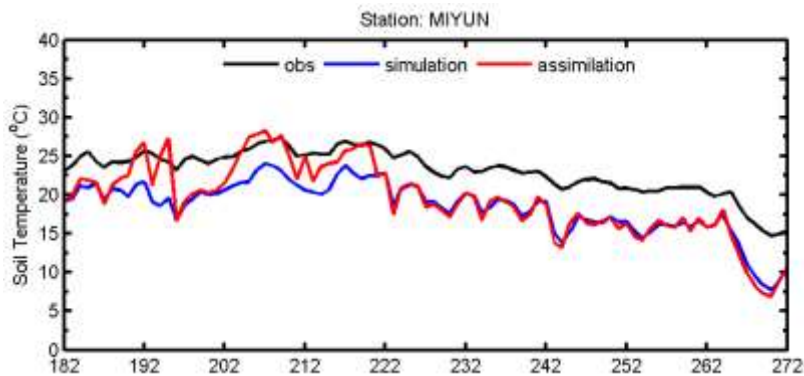
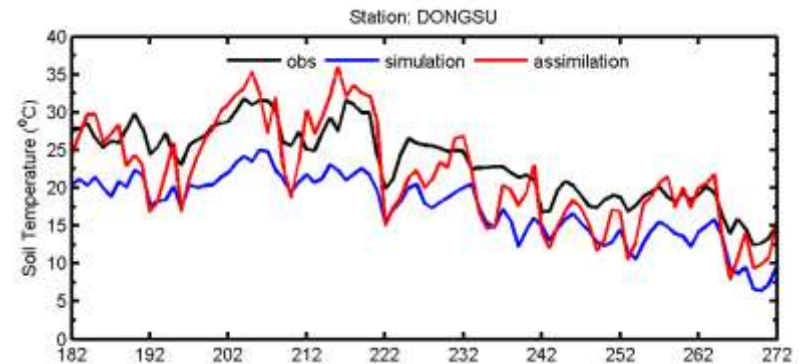
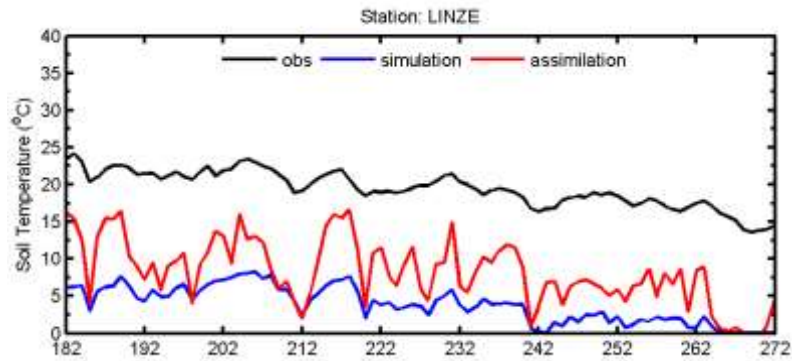
# Validation

Soil moisture, soil temperature, surface fluxes

coordinated enhanced observation network in  
arid and semi-arid regions of northern China

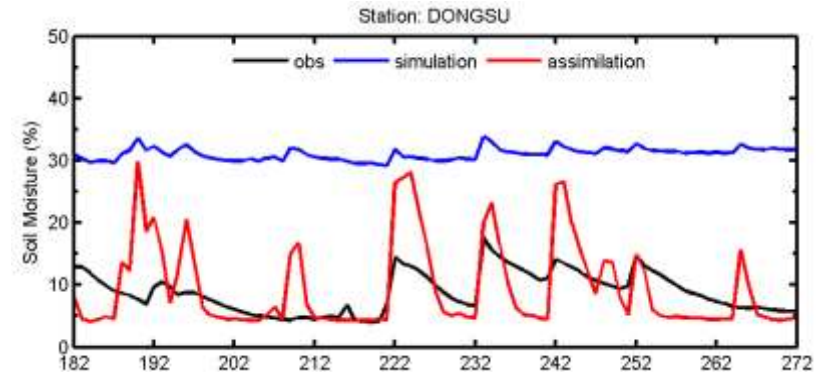
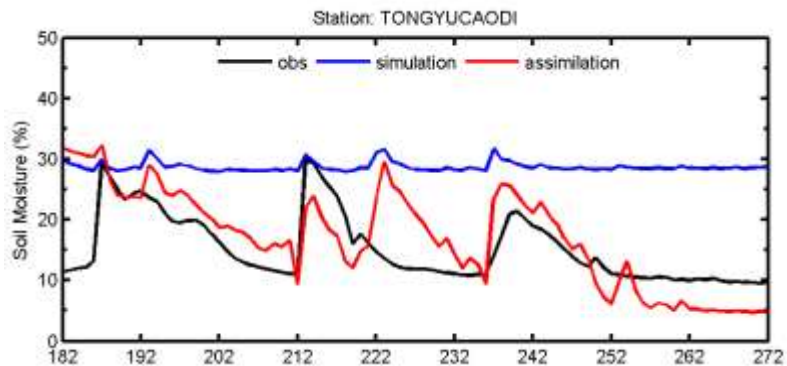
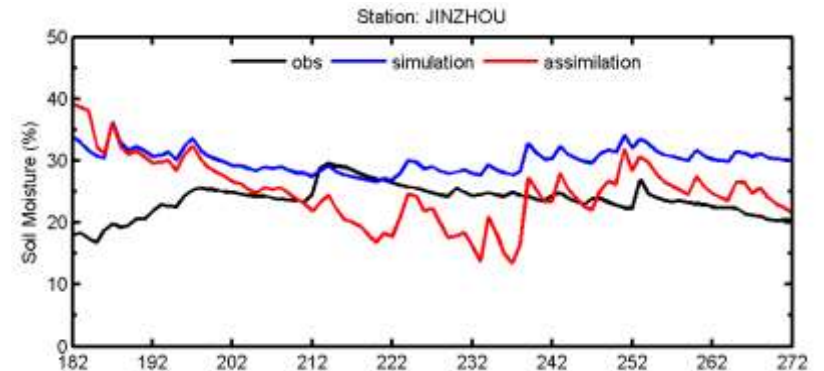
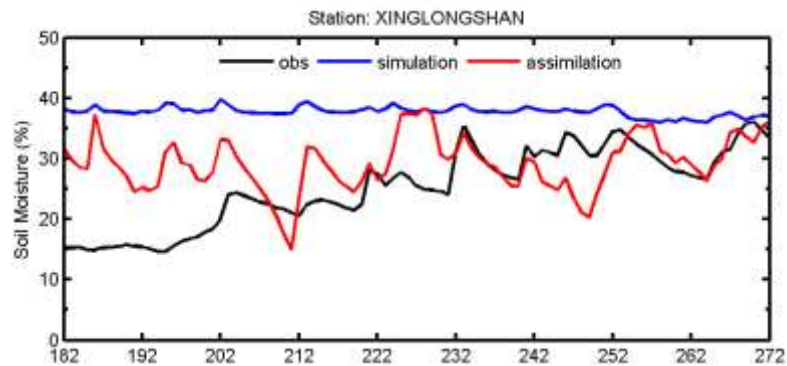
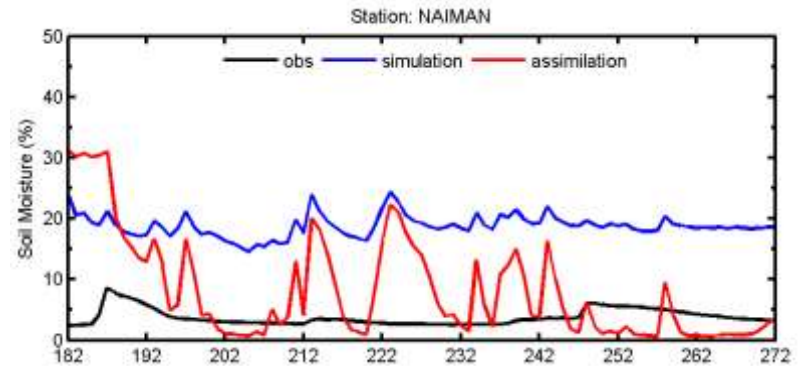
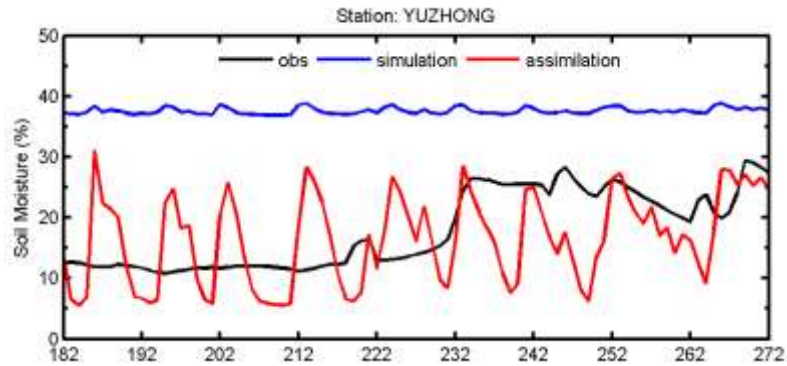


# Soil Temperature

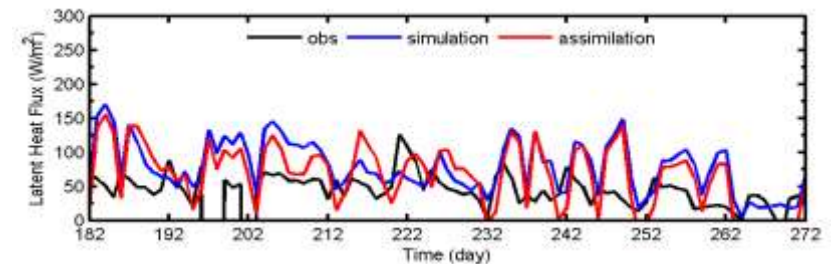
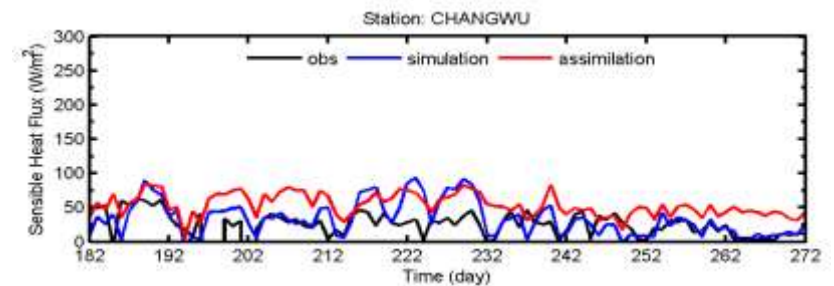
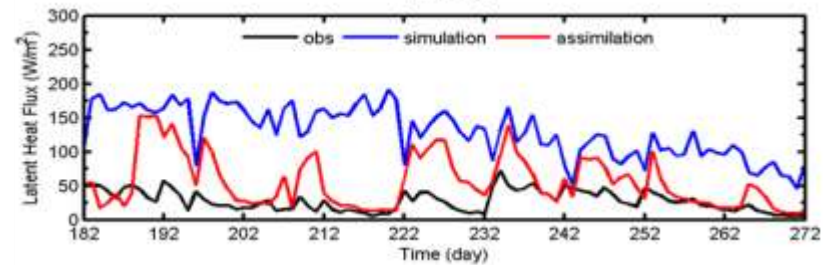
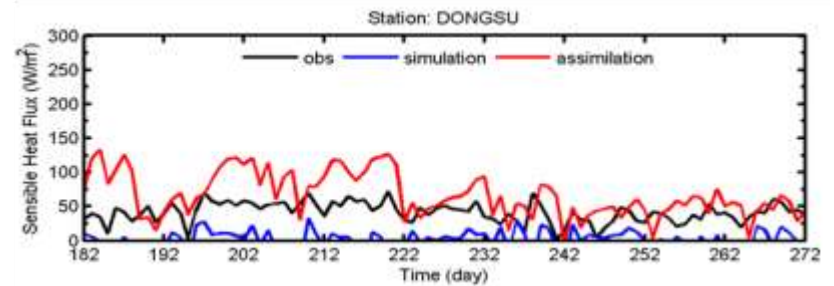
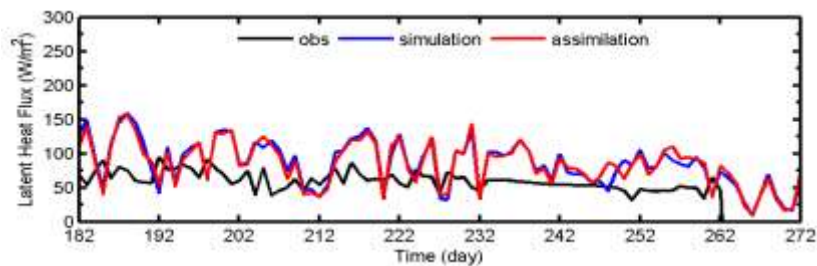
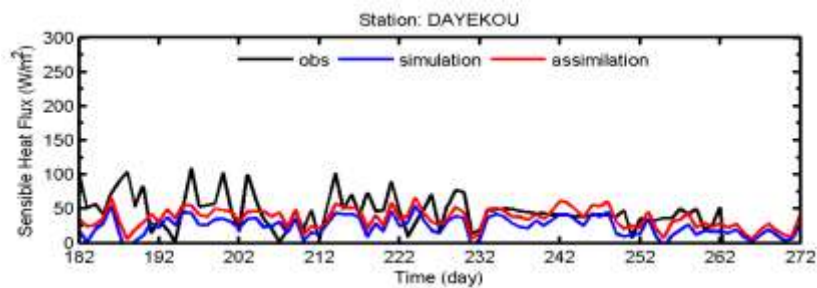
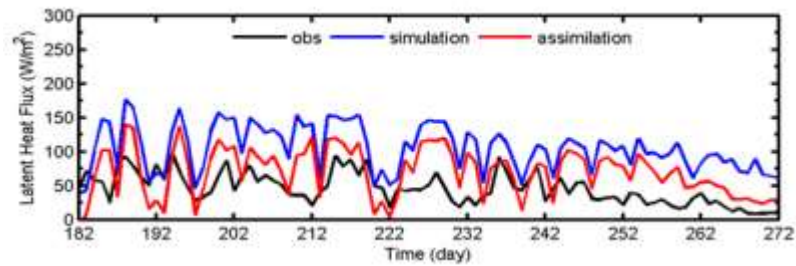
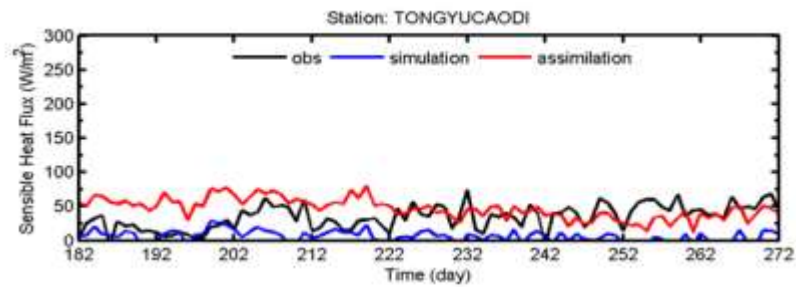




# Soil Moisture



# Fluxes



## 2. Opportunities

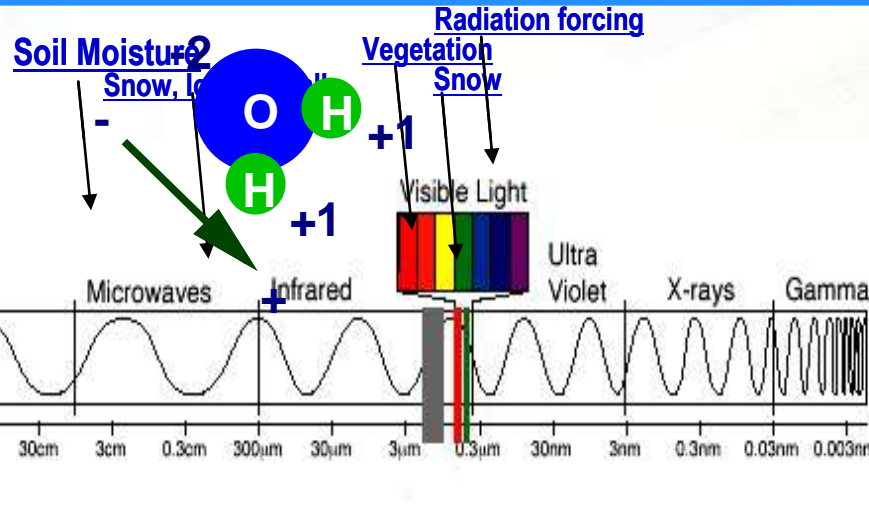


# New sensors, new measurements

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- Satellite missions (NASA, ESA, China)
- (Wireless) sensor network
- Footprint-scale in situ observations
  - ◆ COSMOS
  - ◆ LAS (infrared and microwave)
  - ◆ footprint scale SWE
- Flux network
- Other *in situ* observation network

# Water Cycle Remote Sensing



## Types of Microwave Sensors:

1. **Microwave radiometers:** Emission
2. **Non-imaging RADARs**
  - Altimeters – measure elevation
  - Scatterometers –microwave backscatter
3. **Imaging RADARs**
  - Synthetic Aperture Radars – map variations in microwave backscatter

## The “A-Train”

**AMSRE** radiometer (6-89 GHz)  
**AMSU-A** (15 channels 15-90 GHz)  
**HSB profiler** (150, 183 GHz)  
**CloudSat Radar** (94-GHz)

## The “W-Train”?

**TRMM TMI radiometer** (10.7-85.5 GHz)  
**GPM** (future)  
**TRMM-PR** (radar at 13.6 and 35 GHz)  
**Aquarius/SMAP** (1.413GHz A/P).  
**SMOS** (1.4GHz radiometer)

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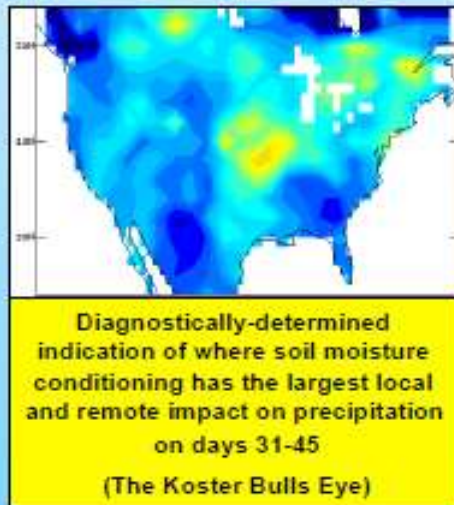


# Snow observatory in Qilian Mountains, 4150 m asl



# COSMOS Project Plans in the Next 4 Years

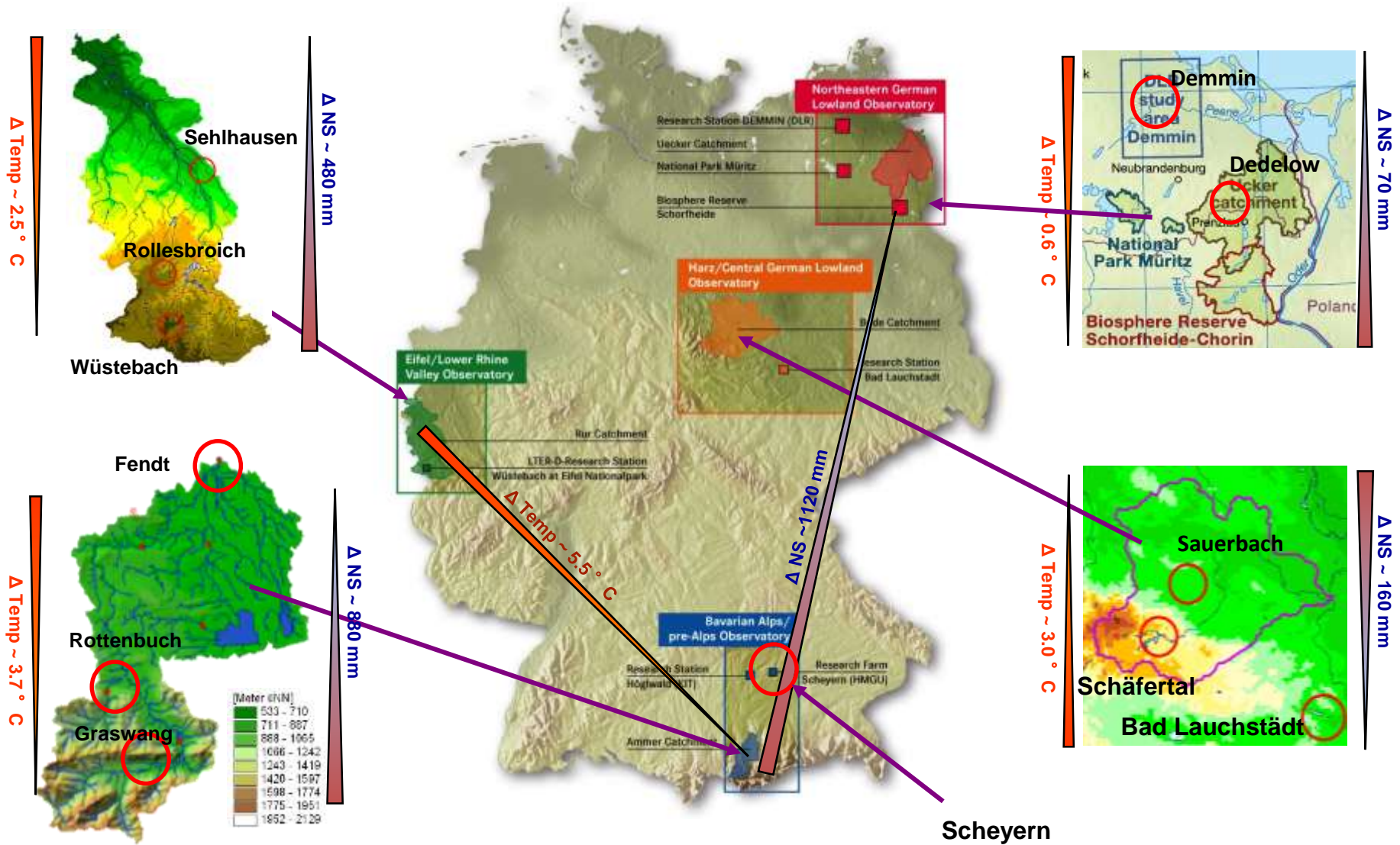
## Potential COSMOS Collaborative Site (CCS) in National Networks







## Lysimeter-Network TERENO SoilCan



From Harry Vereecken

# 3. Challenges



# Challenges (1)

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- Coordinate the observations
  - ◆ Satellite constellation (A-Train, W-Train, [Paul Houser](#))
  - ◆ New satellite mission (WCOM, [Jiancheng Shi](#))
  - ◆ Field campaigns to test hypotheses and validate data products
  - ◆ Networking the networks (soil moisture, flux)

# Challenges (2)

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## ■ Harmonize the input

- ◆ Remove of place-dependent, sensor-specific systematic errors ([Rolf Reichle](#))
- ◆ Estimation of observation errors of individual observation, a priori information of error matrix is still a challenge.
- ◆ Error matrix structure of multivariate including their correlation could be very difficult to estimate
- ◆ Estimate the representativeness error of radiative transfer models.

# Challenges (3)

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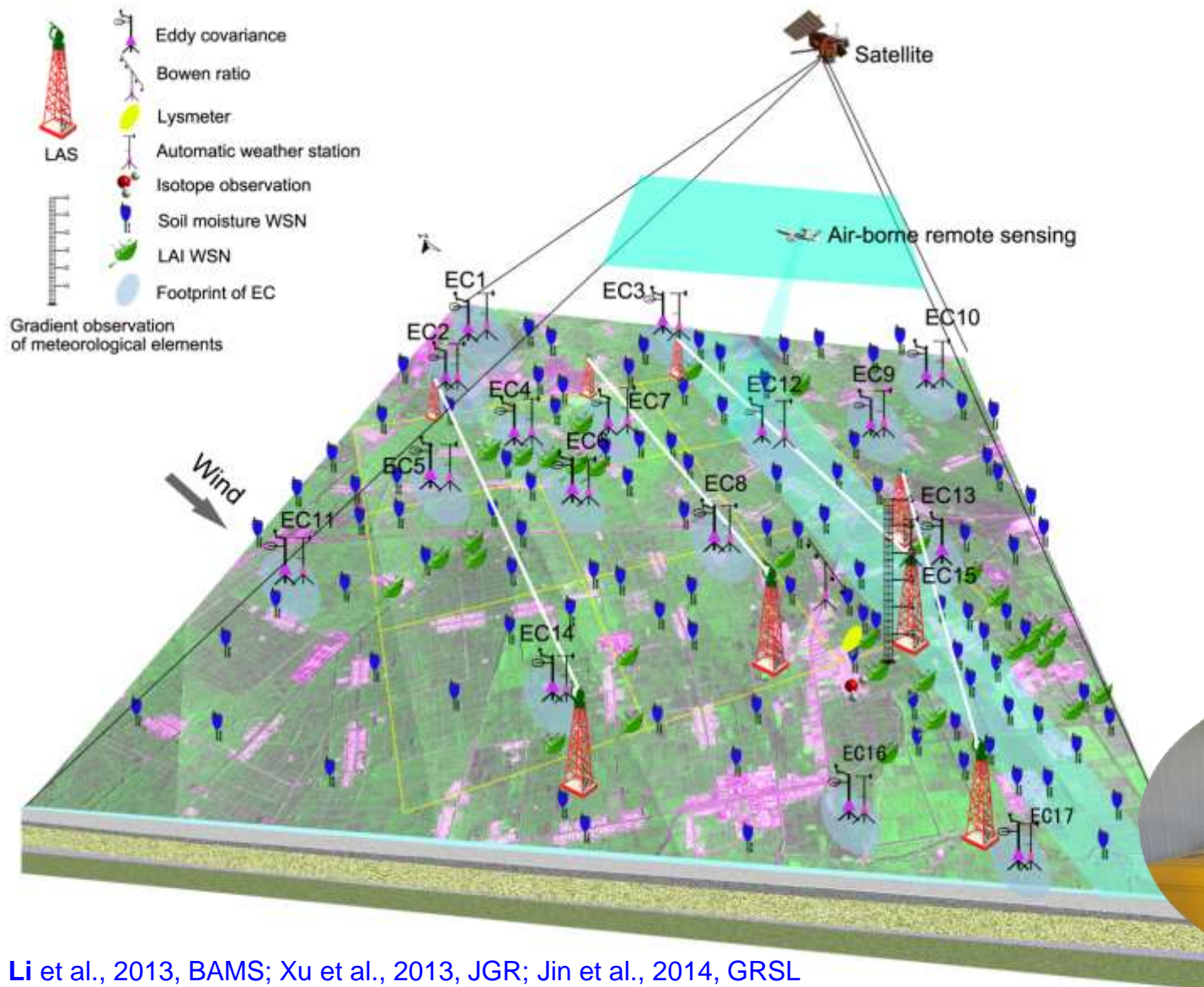
- Balance the output
  - ◆ Output priority
  - ◆ Physical constraint, e.g., water balance
  - ◆ Post-processing plays a role?

# Challenges (4)

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- Address the scale issue
  - ◆ Scale-explicit model, heterogeneity as an inherent part of the model
  - ◆ Different modeling approaches for different scales
  - ◆ Use of field campaigns to design true multi-scale observations to capture spatial heterogeneity and characterize the representativeness error of observations

# HiWATER: An observation matrix to capture the land surface heterogeneity



WATERNet



SoilNet

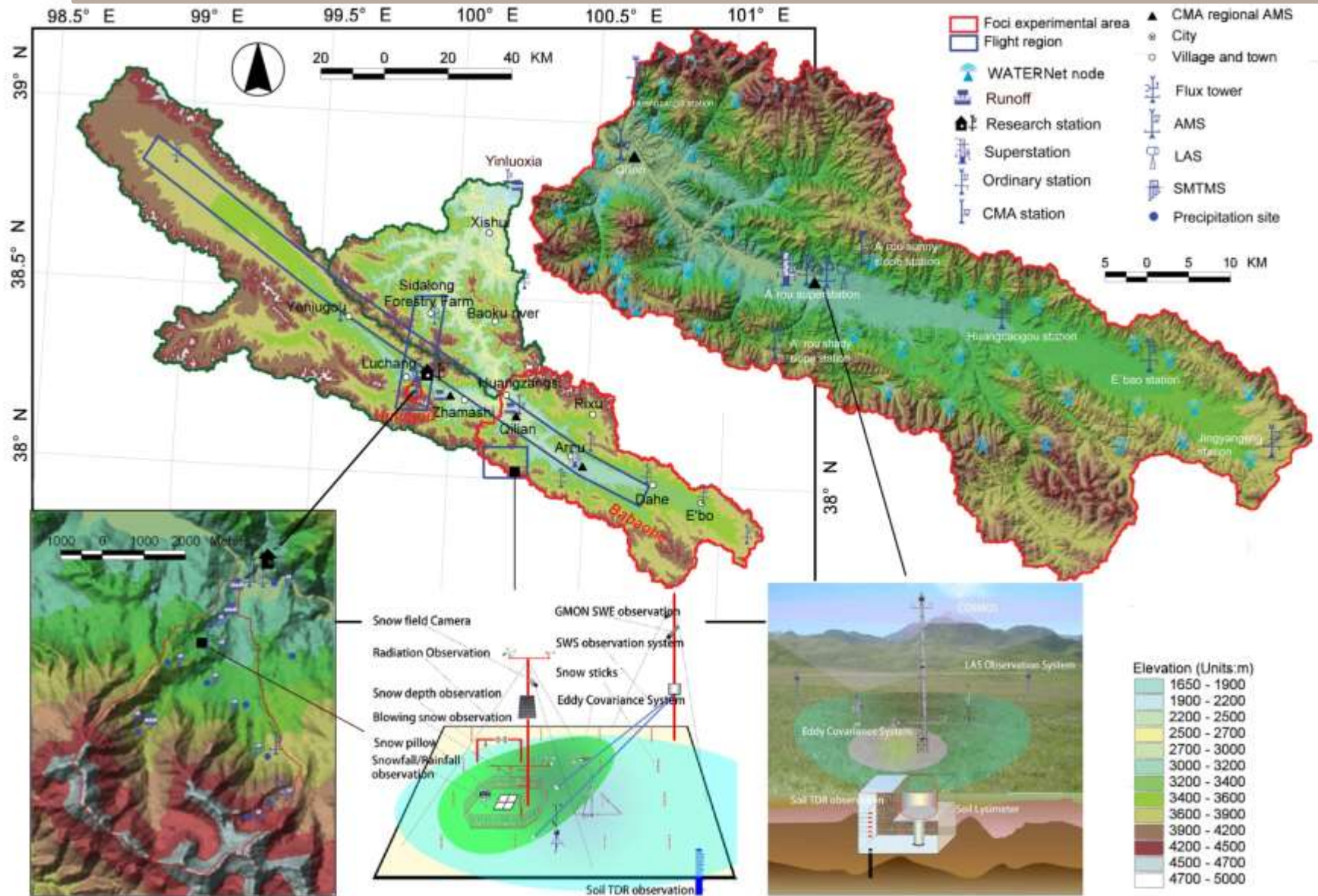


LAINet









# HiWATER nested multi-scale observation in an alpine watershed





# Airborne remote sensing

	Instrument	Observation items
	LiDAR+CCD	DEM (1m resolution), canopy structure, crop structure, aerodynamic roughness
	Imaging spectrometer	Vegetation classification, leaf area index, albedo, snow cover area, biogeophysical & biogeochemical parameters
	Multi-angle thermal imager	Land surface temperature, emissivity
	L-band microwave radiometer	Soil moisture

CAHMDA VII ?

Beijing, China?

Later summer or early autumn ?

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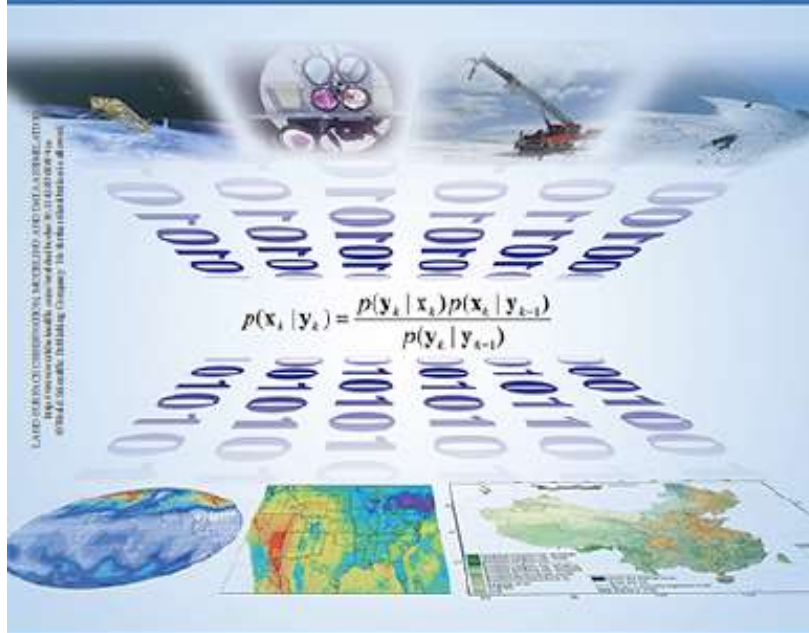
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