

# Land Carbon Cycle uncertainties

→ Input uncertainties

→ C flux & stocks uncertainties

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# Land carbon cycle uncertainties from:

## Forcing error error

- Land Use Change scenarios
- Meteo. forcing
- Soil property uncertainties

→ Test different scenarios From LCC & different Meteo forcing

## Model parameter error

- Parametric equations with Uncertain parameters (photosynthesis, respiration C allocation,...)

→ Optimize parameter using a 4D-var system with

- Atm. CO<sub>2</sub> data
- FluxNet data
- MODIS-NDVI

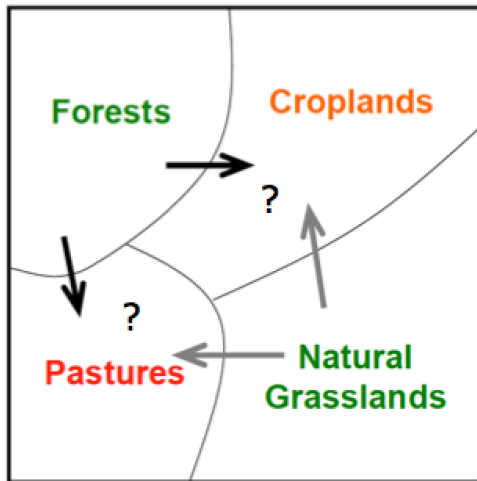
## Model structure error

- Missing processes
- Wrong process representation

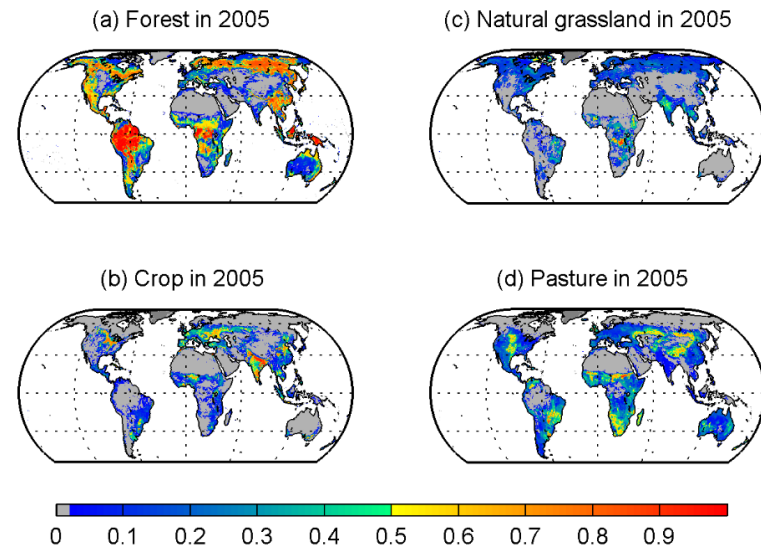
→ Comparison between ORCHIDEE / CTESSEL and other models & approaches

# Uncertainties from Land cover changes...

Natural transistion  
(Hurtt et al.)



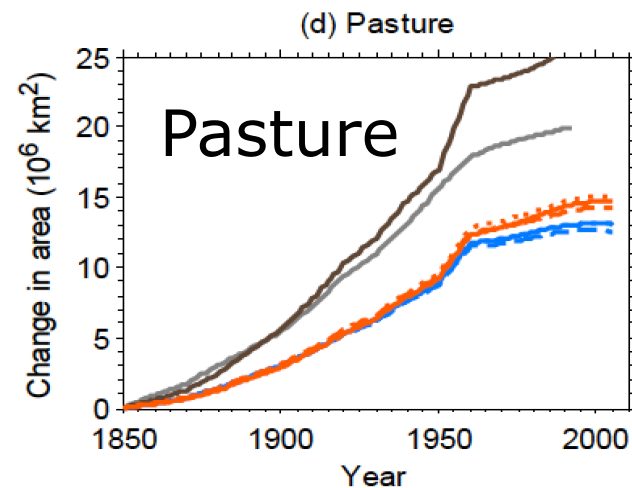
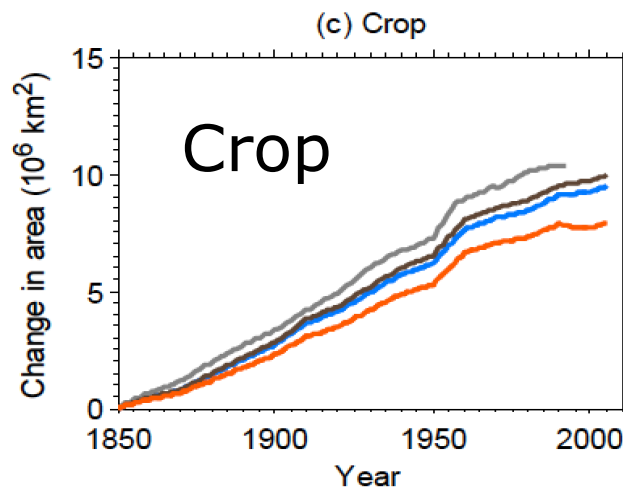
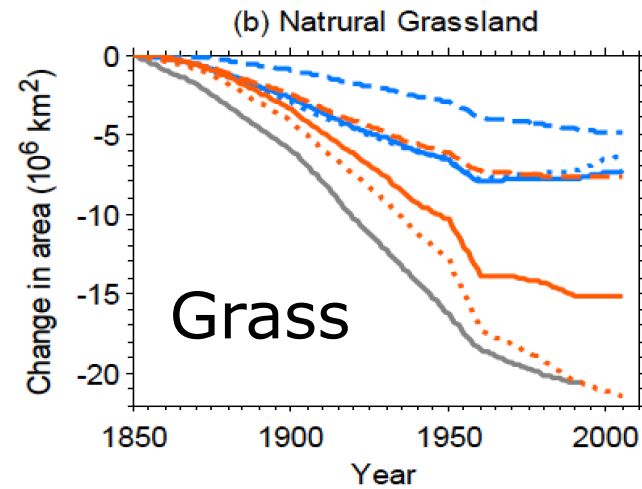
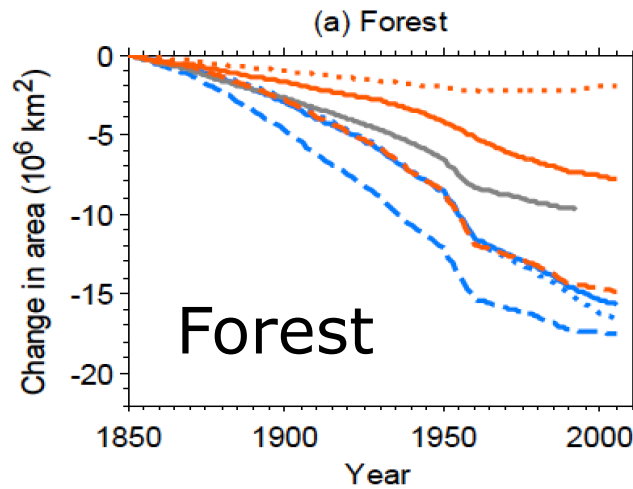
Current Plant Functional Type (PFT)  
distribution (ESA-CCI Land Cover)



- ➔ Derive Historical record of land cover maps
- ➔ Several possible choices...

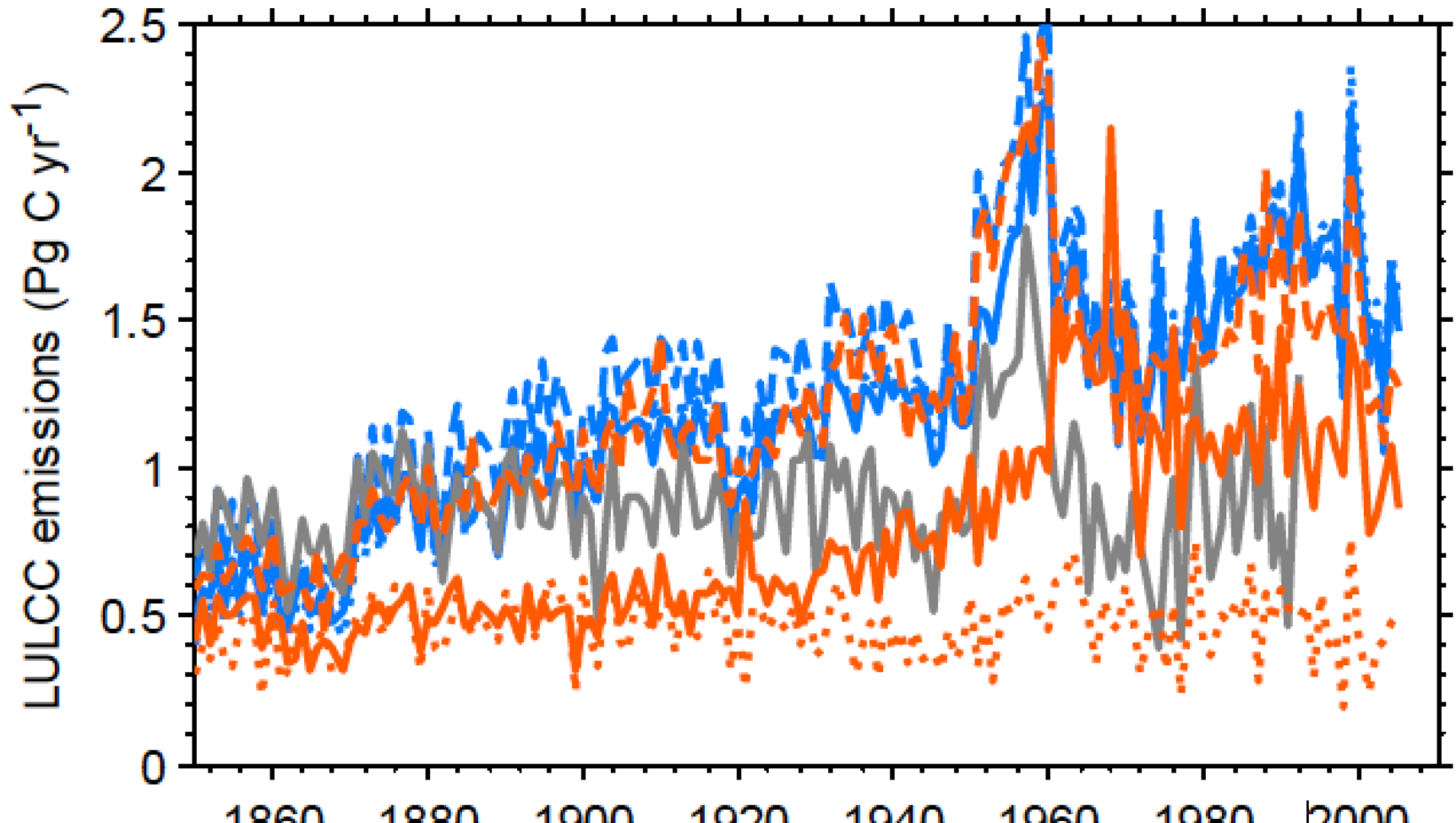
# Uncertainties in the change of Forest / grass / crop / pasture areas...

..... BM1    - - - - BM2    ——— BM3    ——— JP  
 ..... FM1    - - - - FM2    ——— FM3    ——— LUH



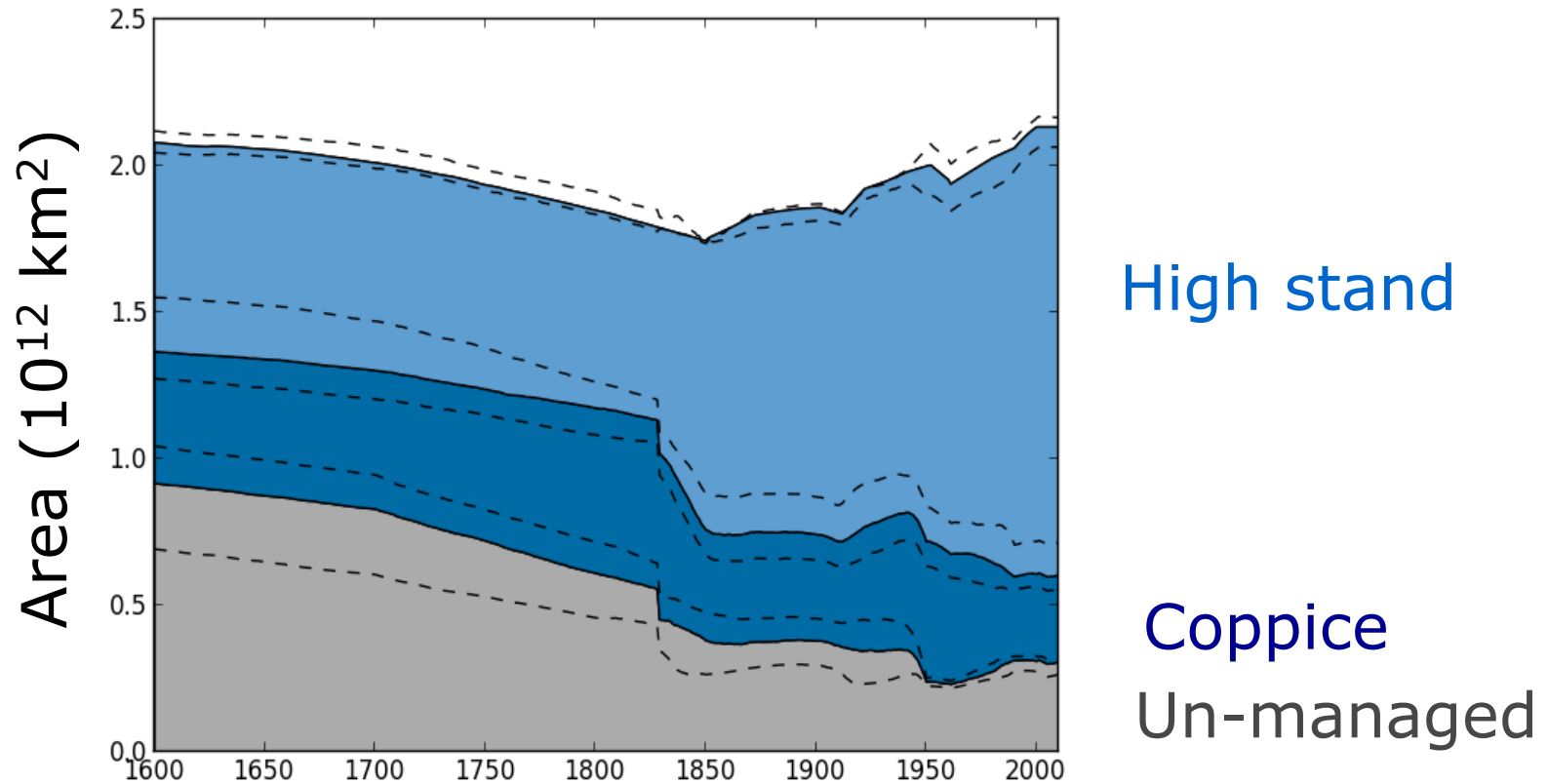
# Net flux from different Land Use Change scenarios (PgC/yr)

----- BM1    - - - - BM2    ———— BM3    ———— JP  
..... FM1    - - - - FM2    ———— FM3



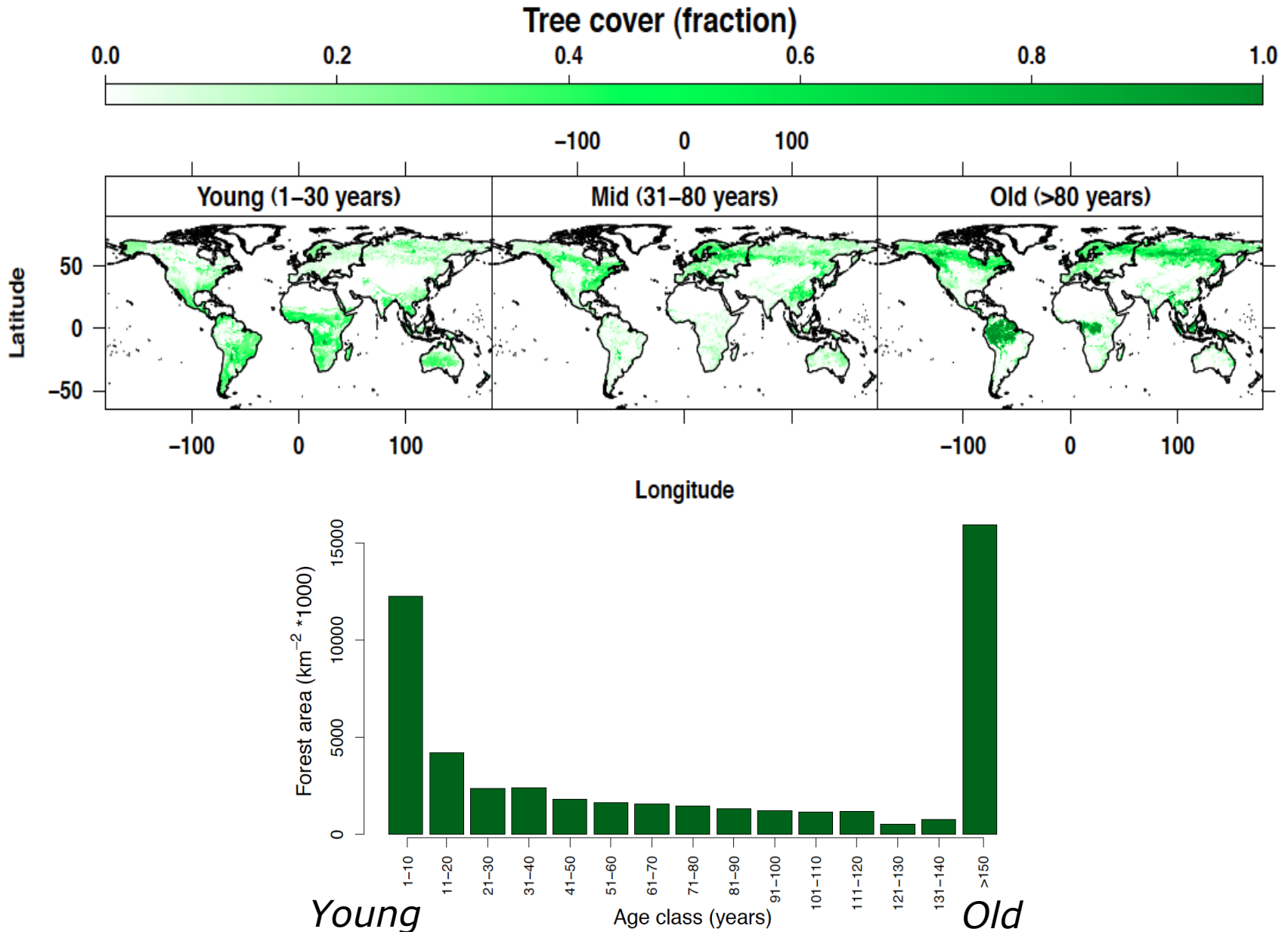
# Uncertainties from land management

European forest management over time...

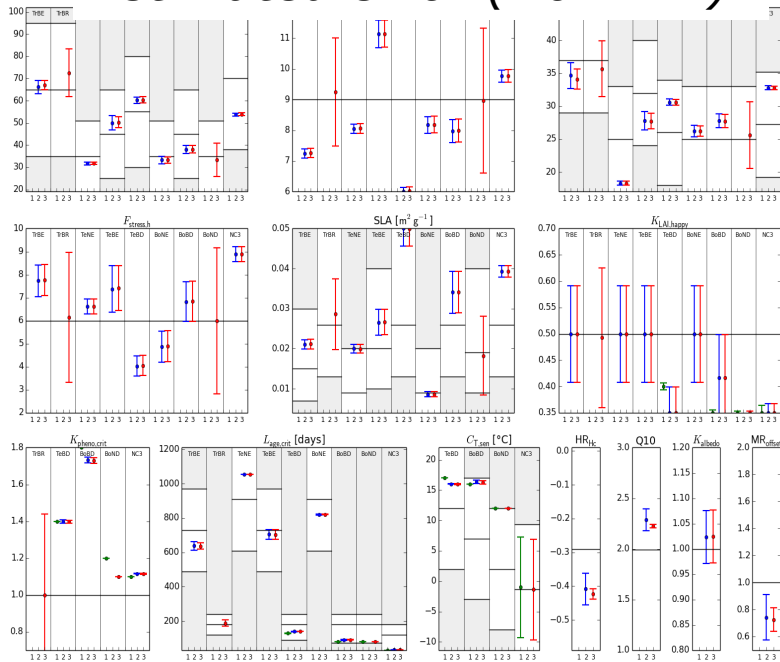




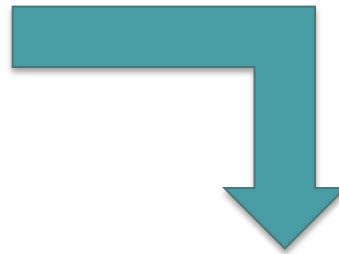
# Forest age as proxy for management..



# Estimated error (from DA)

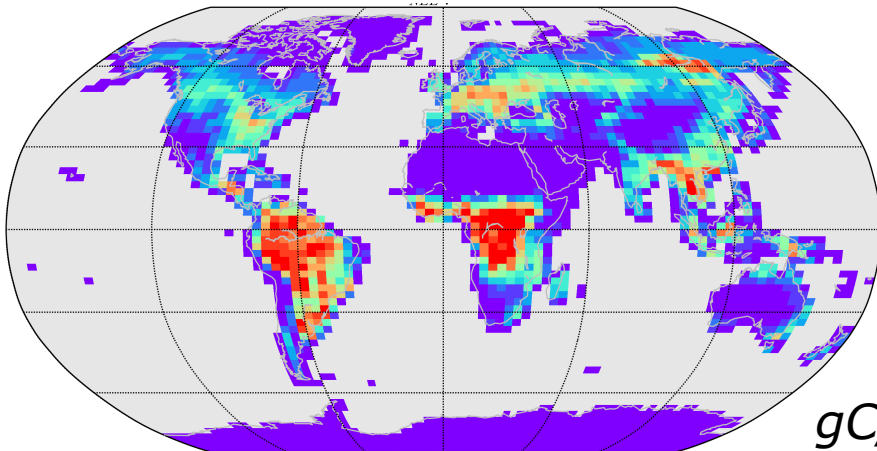


# Model parameter uncertainties...

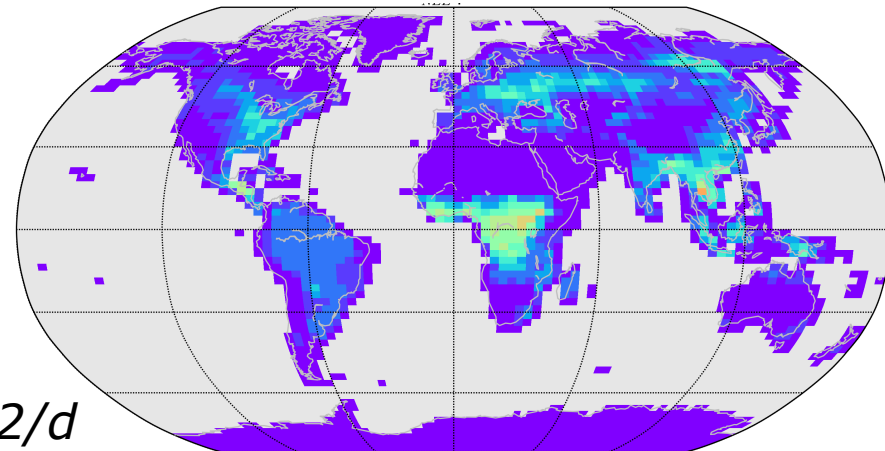


# Error propagation on the fluxes

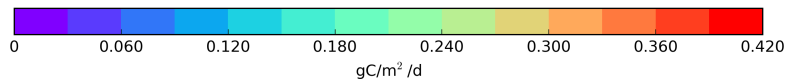
## $\sigma$ -NEE - Prior



## $\sigma$ -NEE - Posterior



$gC/m^2/d$

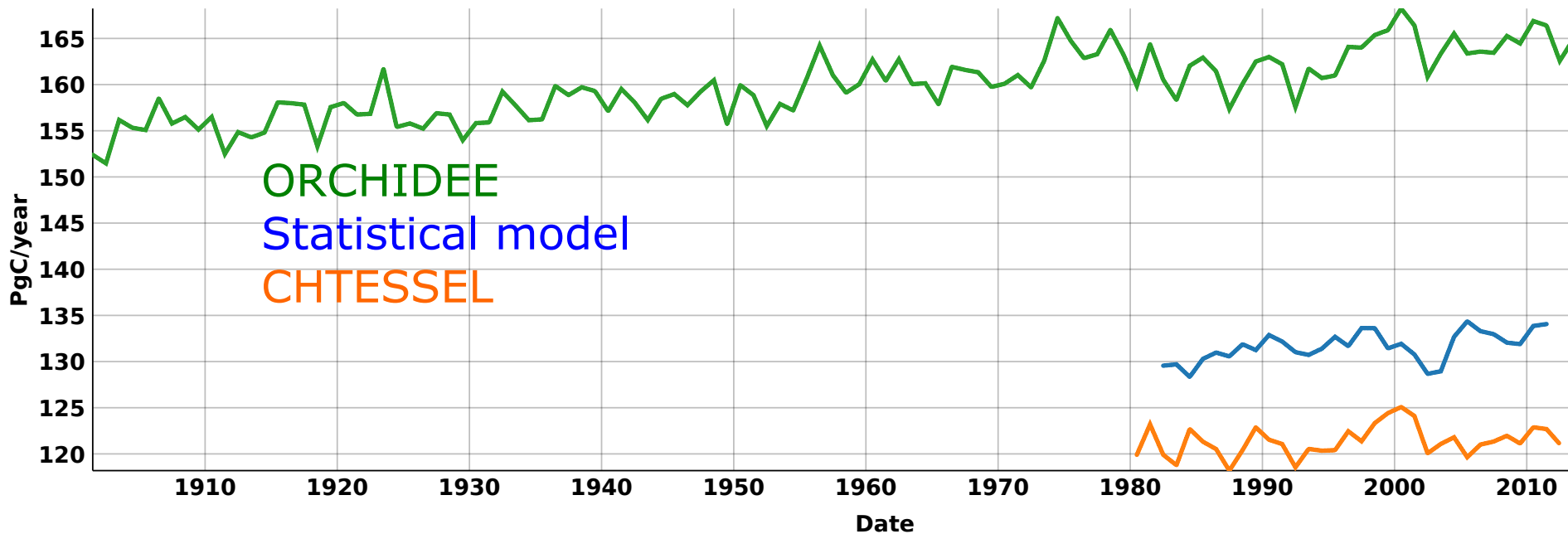




# Model structural error...

→ Comparison of different land surface models  
(in particular ORCHIDEE and CHTESSEL)

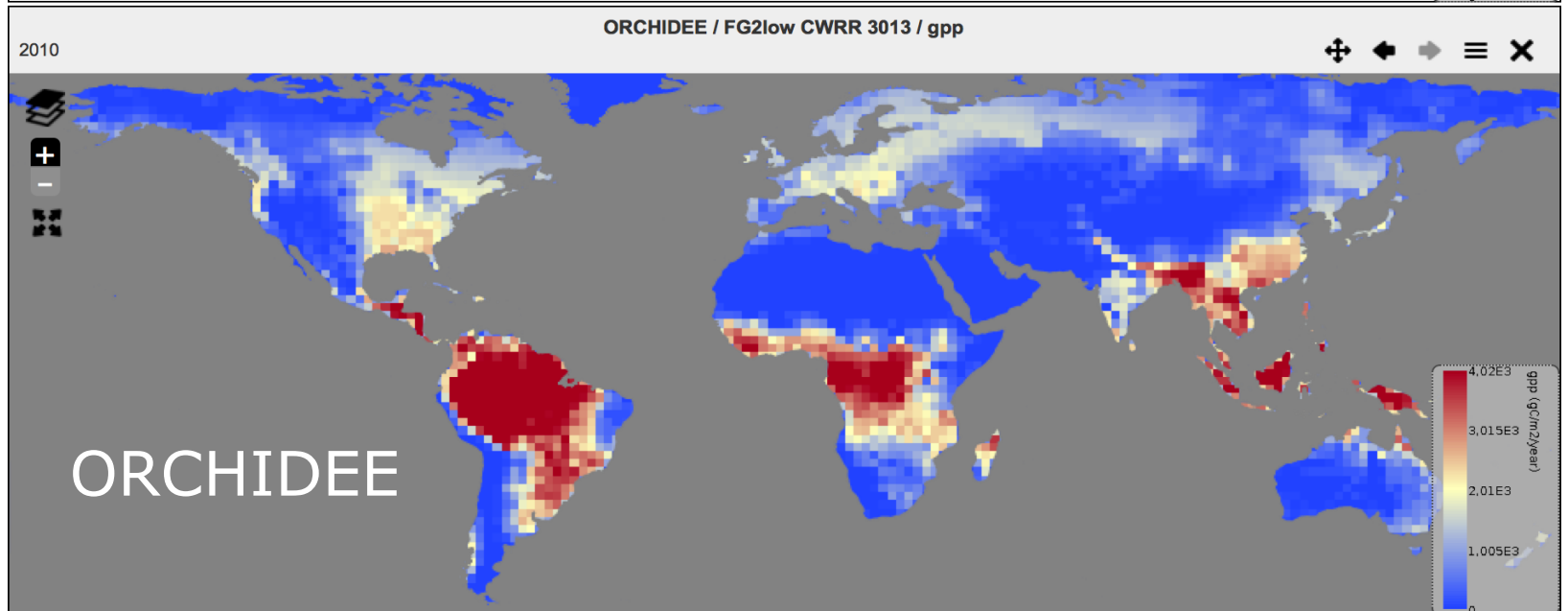
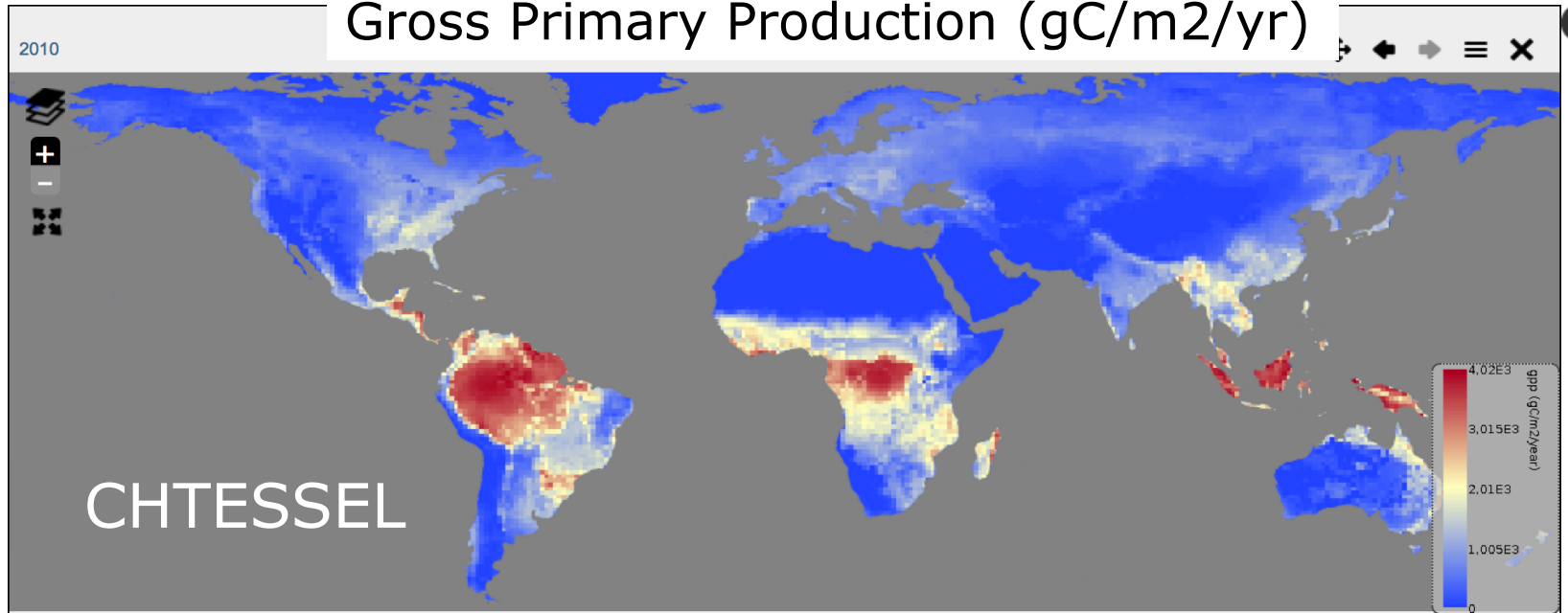
Gross Primary Production (PgC/yr)



- MTE JUNG / gpp / 05 Global Land / Yearly mean
- CTESSEL / gpp / 05 Global Land / Yearly mean
- FG2low CWRR 3013 / gpp / 05 Global Land / Yearly mean

# Model structural error

Gross Primary Production (gC/m<sup>2</sup>/yr)



# Summary...

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- Estimation of the “input uncertainties” for land carbon cycle
- Land cover changes and land management critical difficult to estimate globally for the 20<sup>th</sup> century especially for crops
- Uncertainties from meteorological forcing assessed by
  - Ensemble of the CERA-20C ?
  - Using other re-analysis (NCEP)
- → Provide 20<sup>th</sup> century C cycle uncertainty analysis