

A (nearly) real-world application Synth Glacier

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Synth Glacier

- **✓** Context
 - Glaciology: how, why, where?
- ✓ Step 1
 - Model initialisation
- ✓ Step 2
 - Growing Synth Glacier to a steady state
- ✓ Step 3
 - Perturbing Synth Glacier









Why do we study glaciers?

They contain lots of water

They're changing fast

Loss of water resources

Sea-level rise

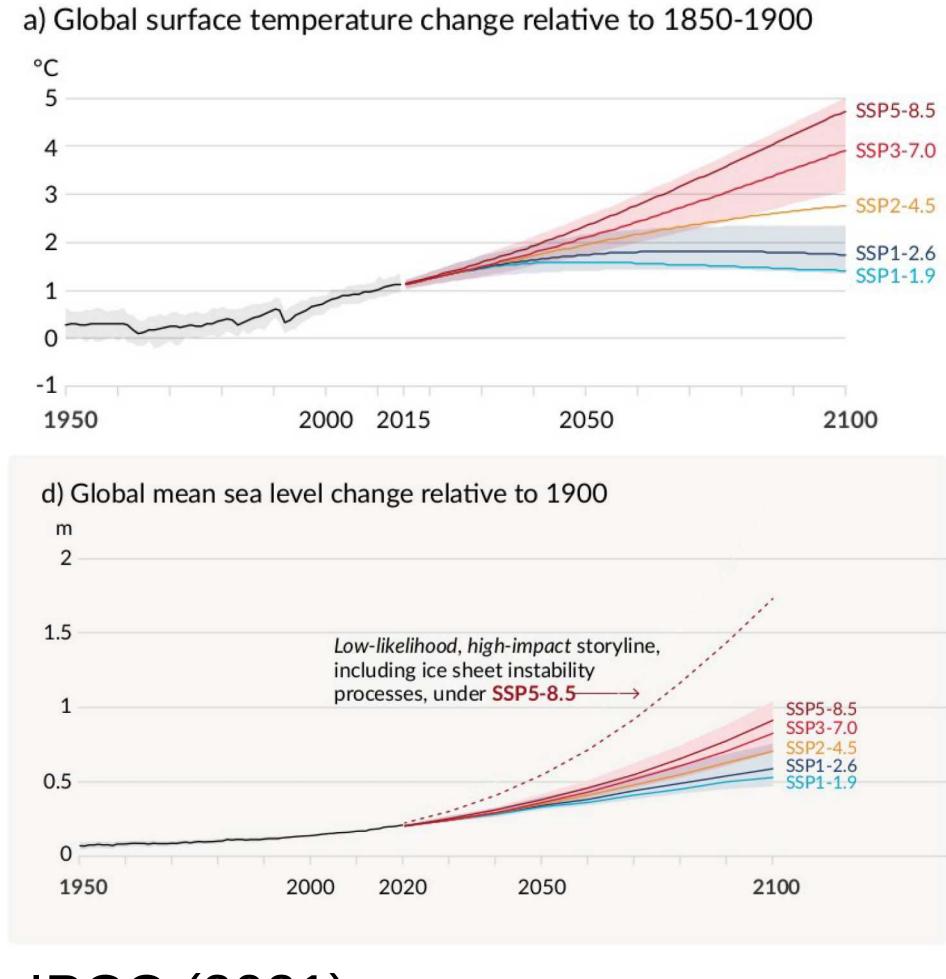


Why do we study glaciers?

 So we want to know how they'll change

 Also useful to know what they did in the past

Can tell us where we're going



IPCC (2021)

How do we study glaciers?



How do we study glaciers?

Fieldwork

- Remote sensing
- Modelling



Modelling ice

Very useful

• Stuff we can't observe

Reaction to global warming

Multiple scales

Tête Rousse Glacier

Context

- The history of Tête Rousse Glacier
- The 2010 water filled-cavity
- Analysis of the cavity roof stability (Autumn 2010)

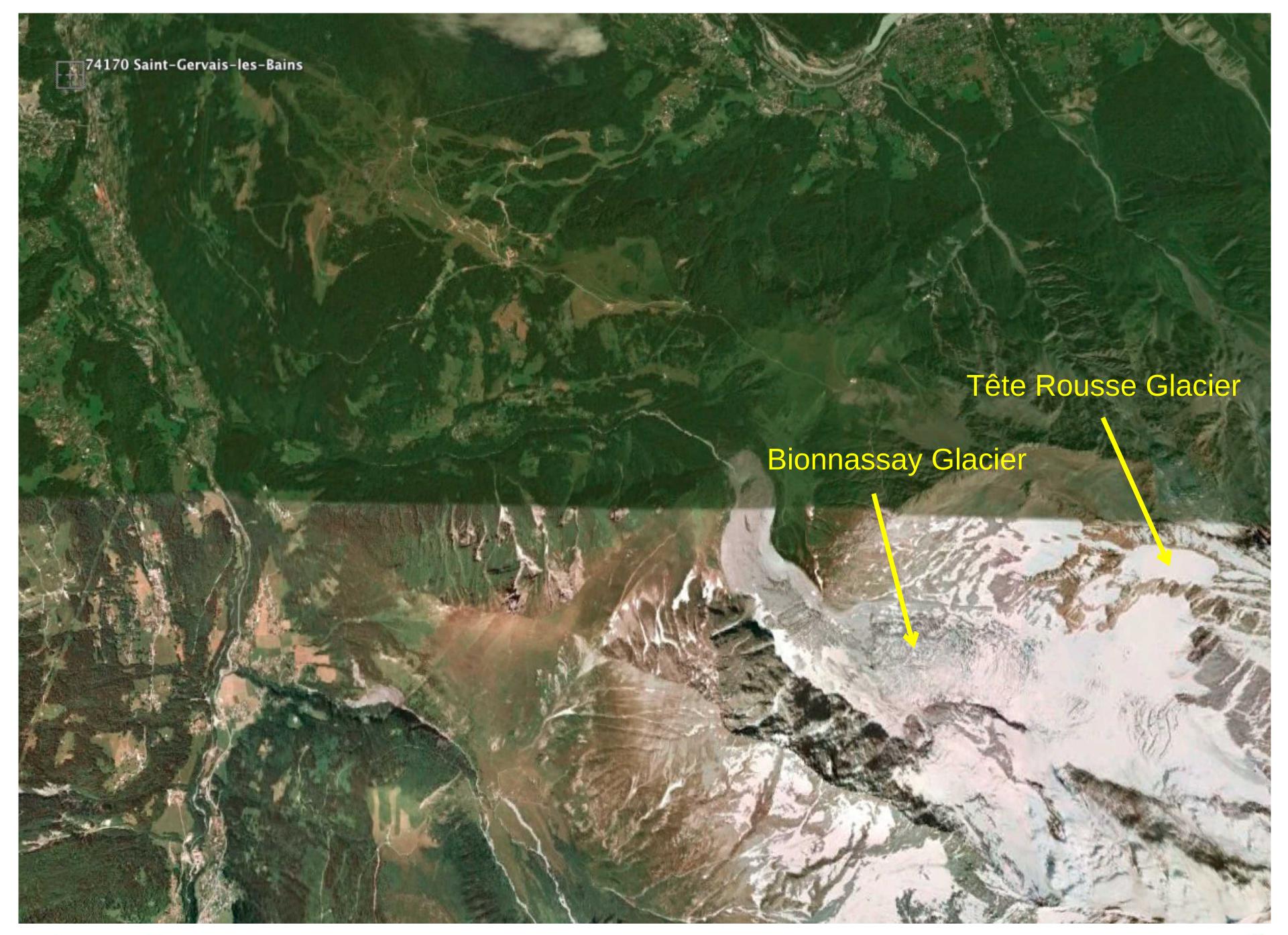








Location (Mont Blanc Area, France Alps)





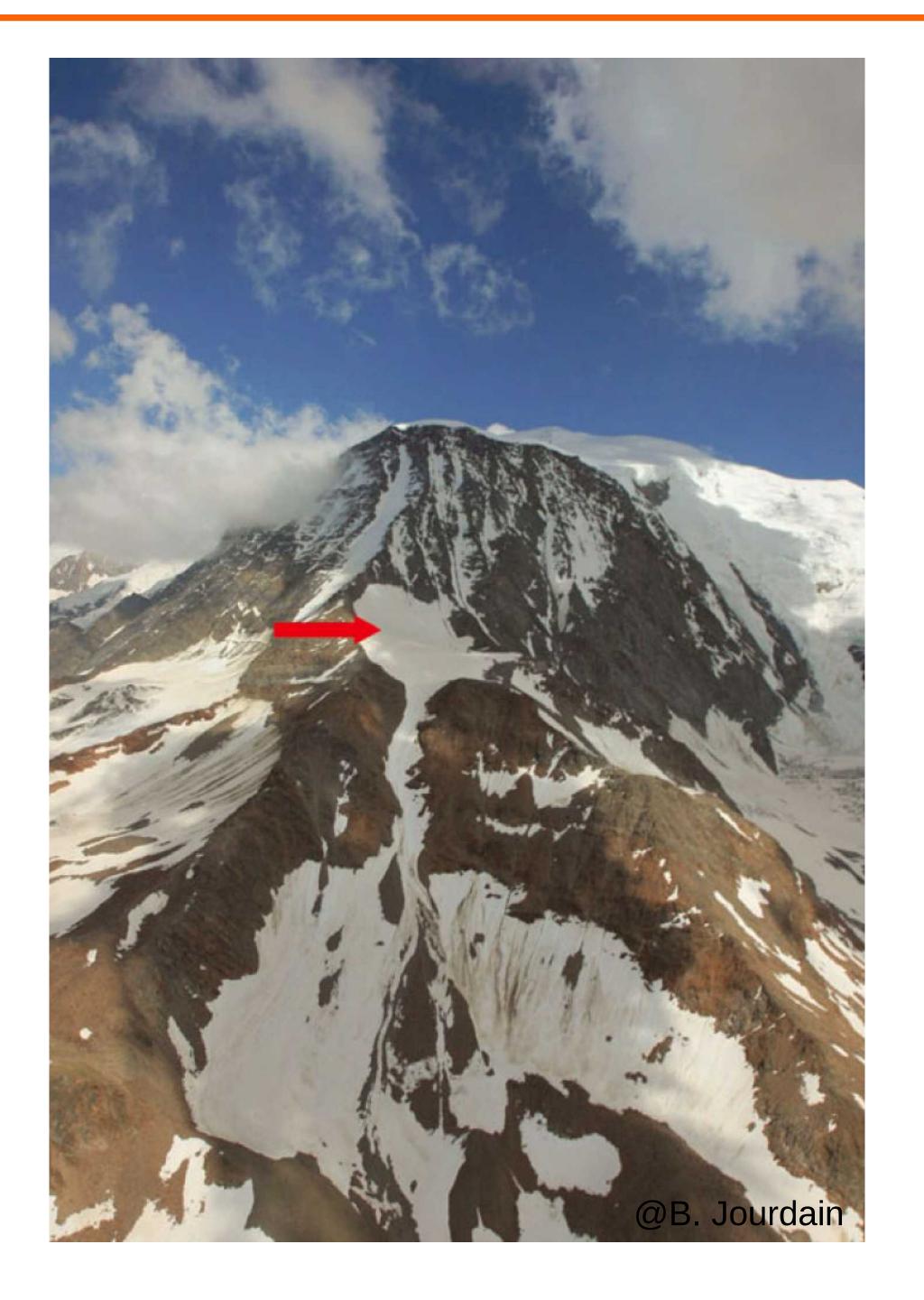






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Tête Rousse glacier 3100 to 3300 m 0.08 km² (2007)











Chronology

Past History – The 1892 catastrophe

Contemporary history:

2007-10 - Studies to answer the question about the necessity to maintain the tunnel

07/2010 - A water filled cavity under pressure is discovered

- Crisis – Artificial drainage

2011 - Small research program to understand the formation of the cavity

- New crisis – Artificial drainage

2012 - New Artificial drainage needed

2016 - Building of an artificial spillway

2020 - Still under surveillance...









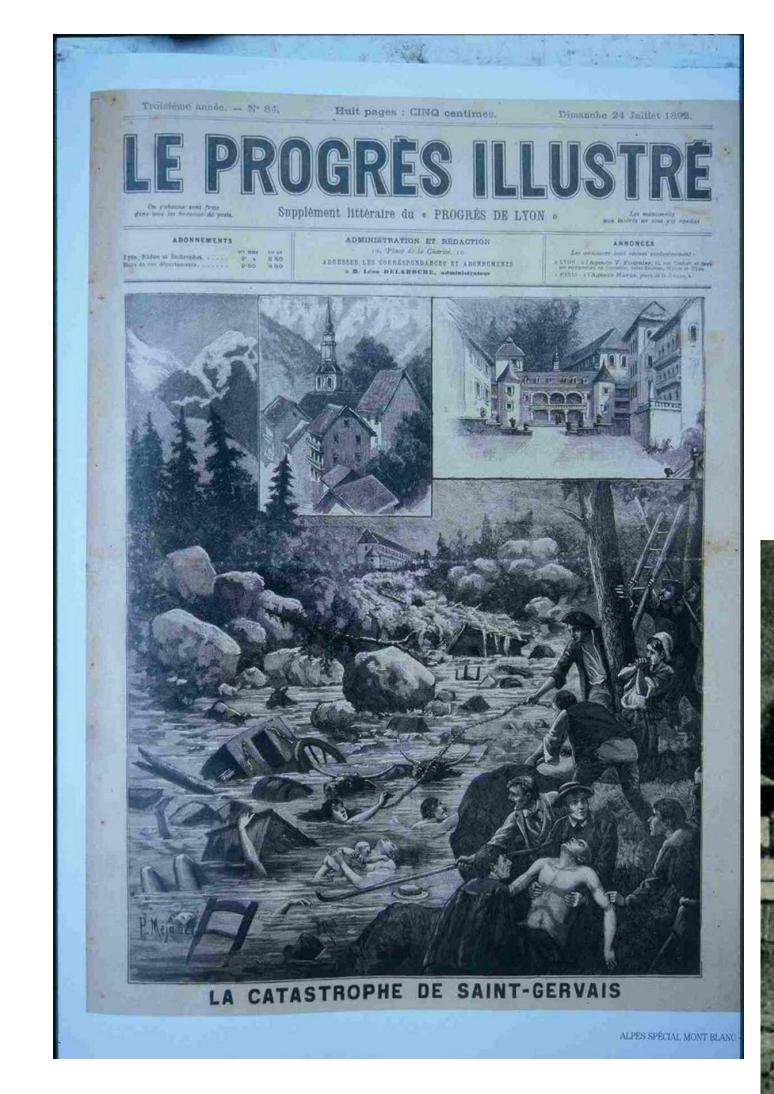
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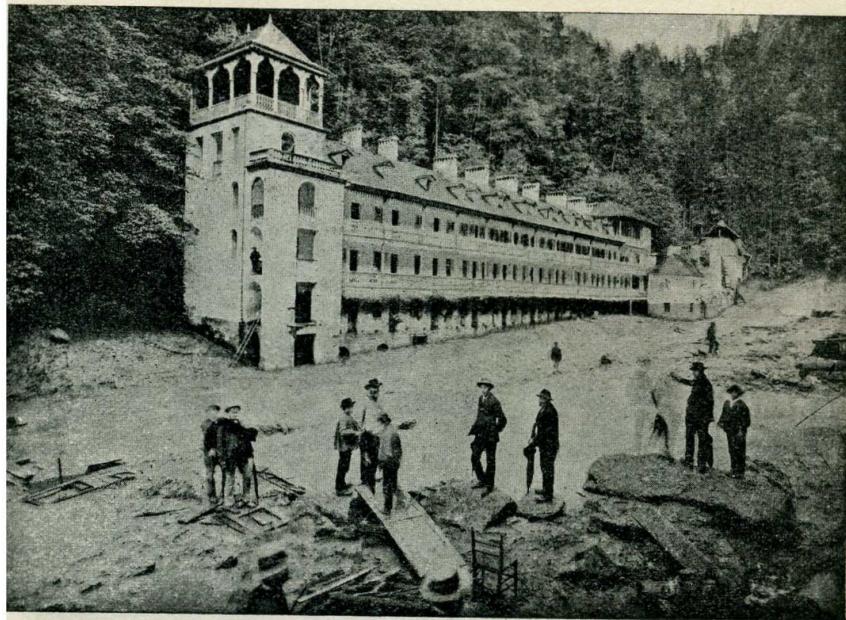
11 July 1892

175 fatalities

100 000 m³ of water

Flood produced 800 000 m³ of sediment





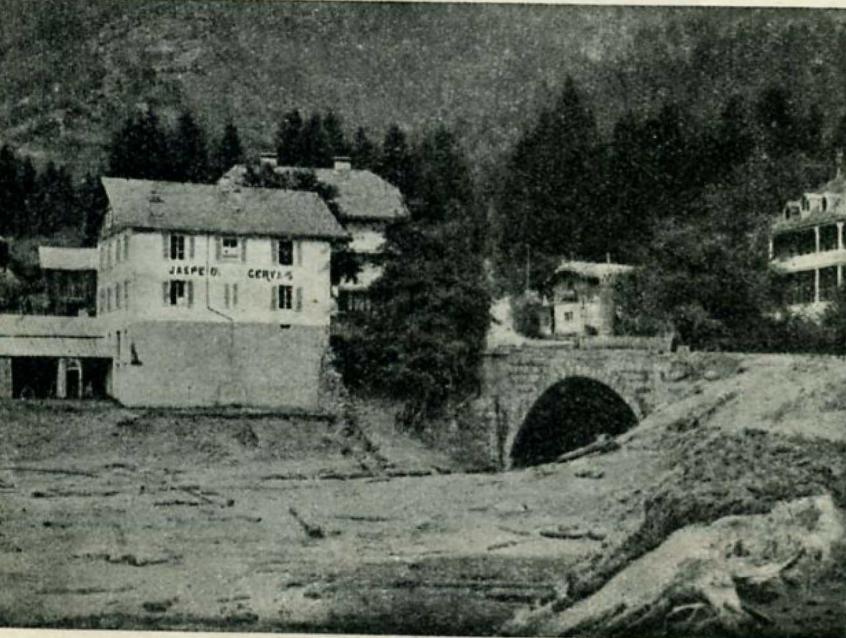


Fig. 22. — Le pont de la route départementale n° 4 tourné et submergé par la lave.
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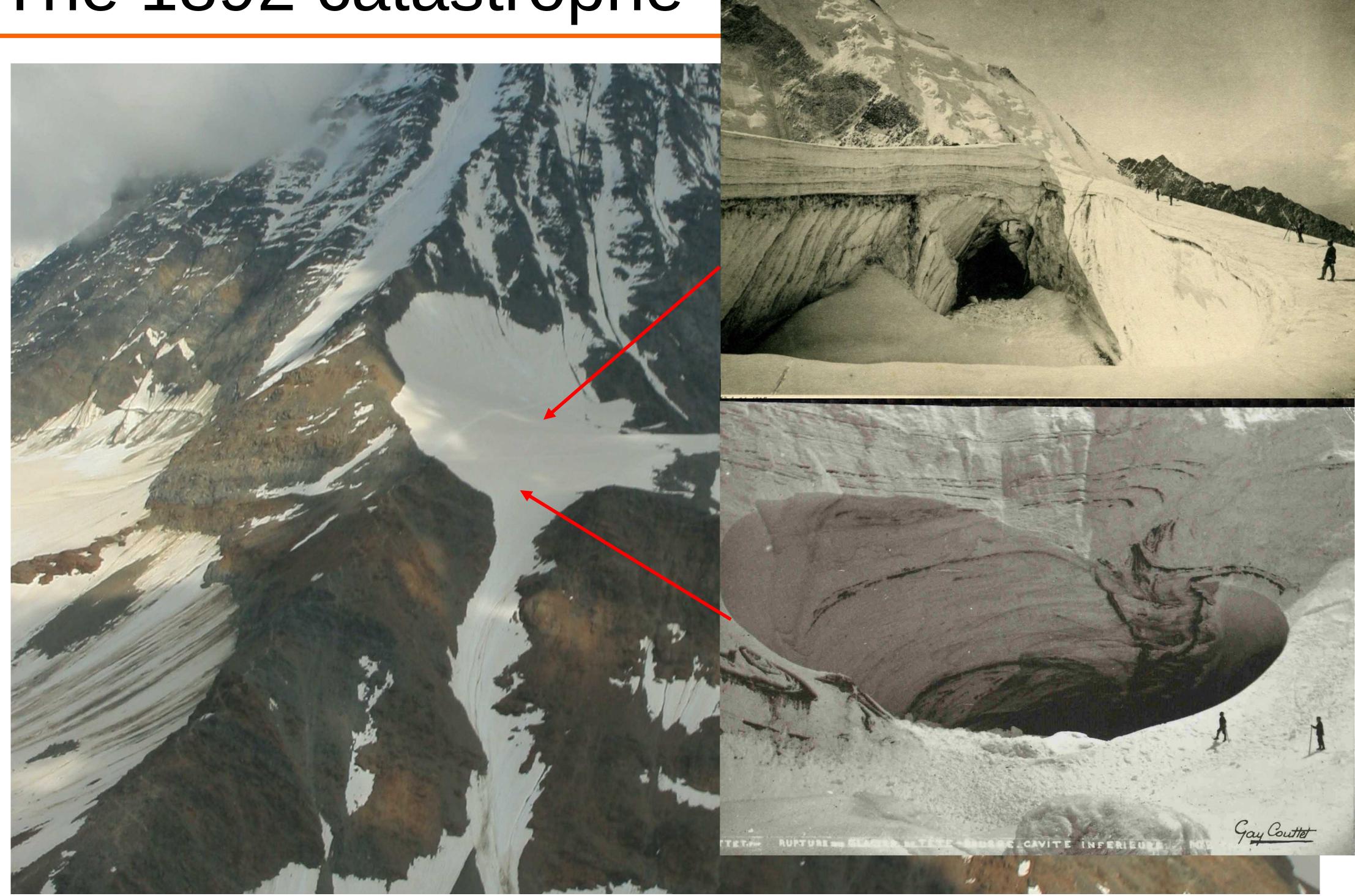
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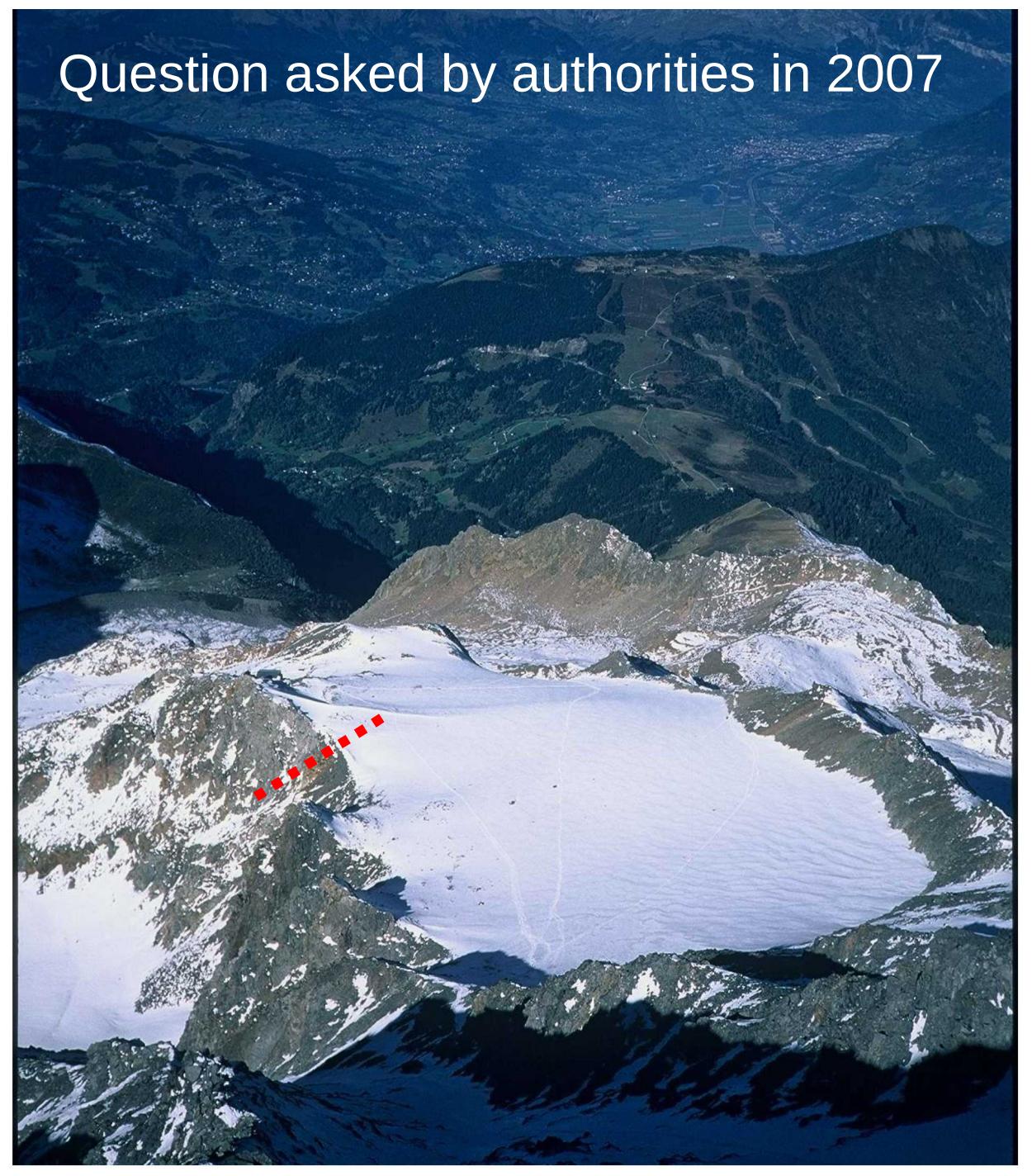








Is there still a risk at Tête Rousse?





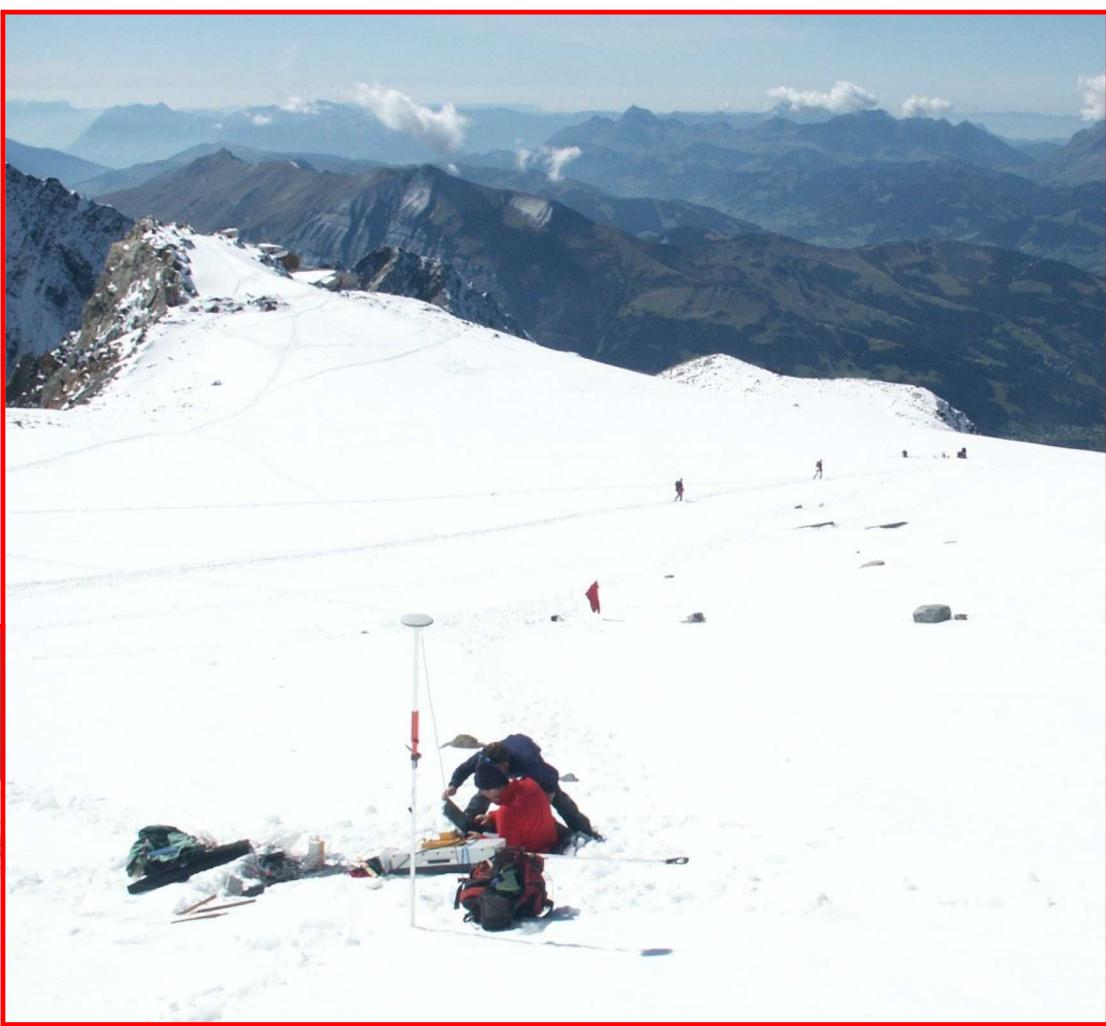






- . Topographic measurements
- . Radar measurements
- . Temperature measurements
- . Mass balance measurements





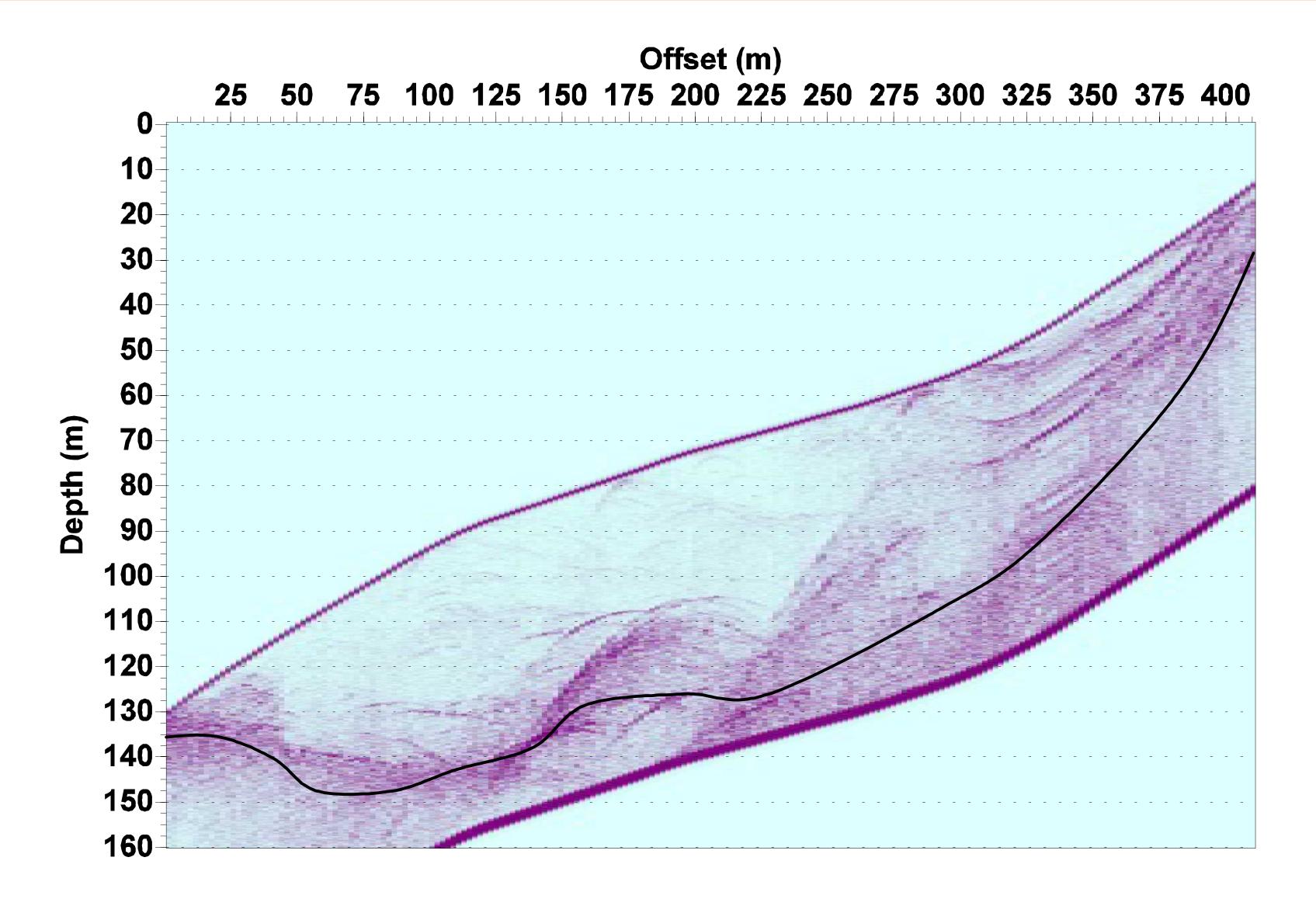
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The radar measurements showed a zone (volume) with an anomaly.







In Sept 2009, geophysical survey using the Magnetic Resonance Imaging (LTHE, Grenoble)

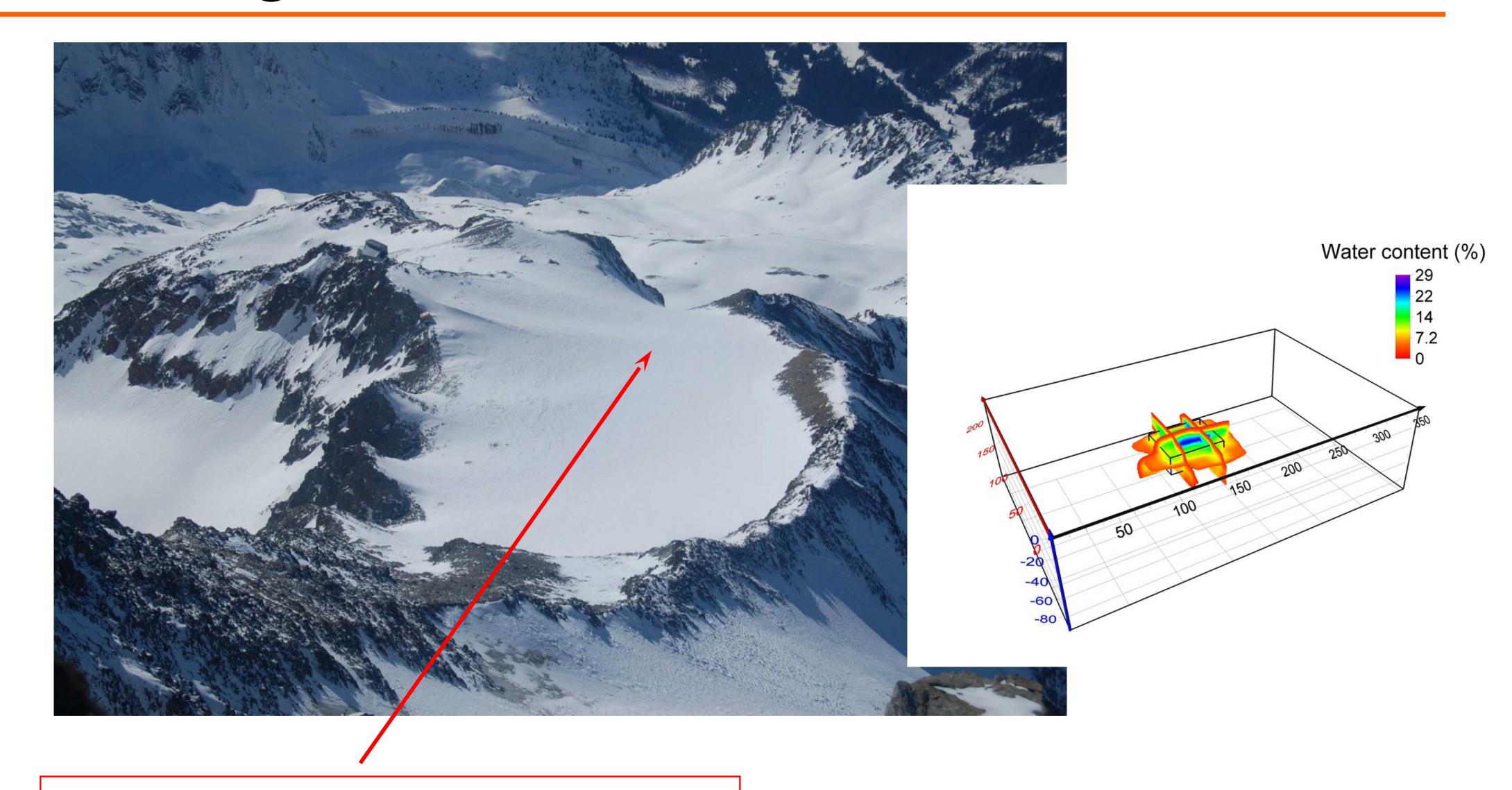


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Water volume of 65 000 m³

Report presented to public authorities in March 2010

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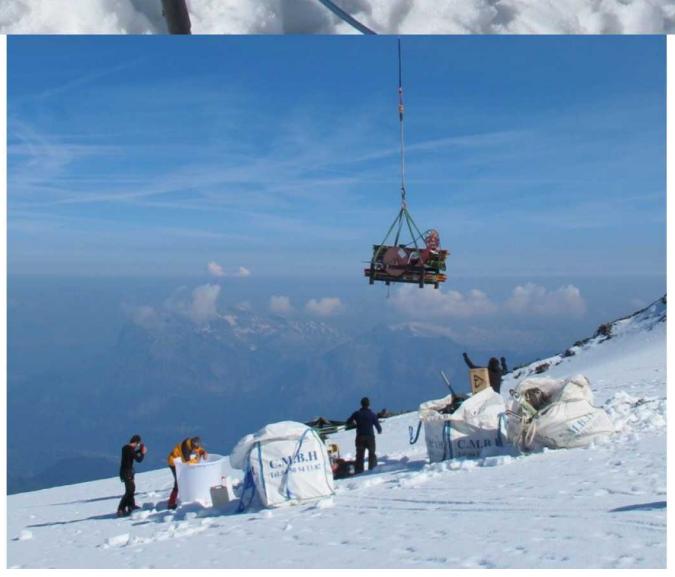
Pressure measurements



20 hot-water drillings performed from 29 June to 8 July 2010

Confirm the presence of a cavity and that

the cavity is under pressure!











Decisions

The hydrostatic pressure exceeded the ice pressure from the weight of the ice column

We could expect that the water contained in the glacier would be released suddenly

The public authorities were warned immediately (13 July, 2010)

It was decided to drain the subglacial lake as soon as possible, because 3000 people were threatened in the valley.







A difficult field work











Drainage of the cavity









A new risk?



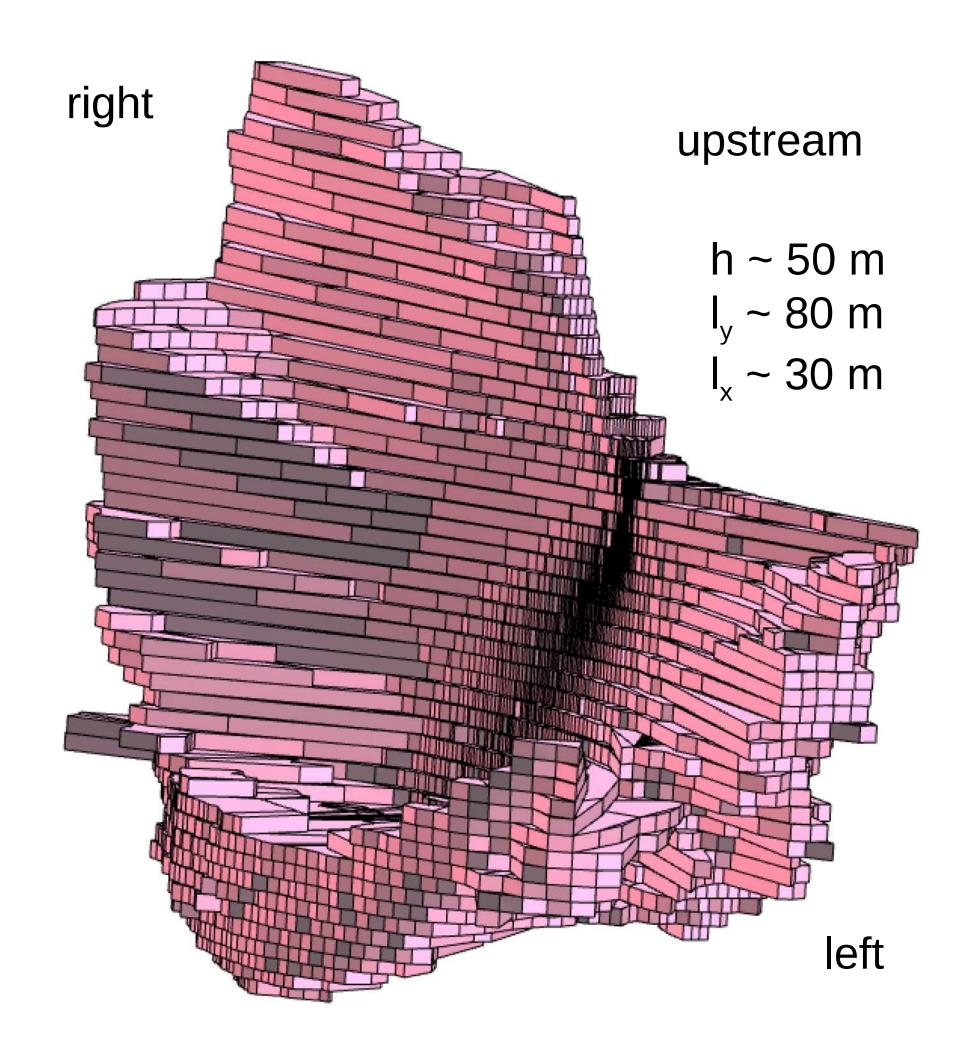




The 2010 cavity

Pumping of 47 700 m³ from 25 August to 8 October 2010

Question (addressed end of August 2010): What is the risk of break-up during the pumping phase?











Time-line for investigations

Sonar data



Meeting with the mayor of St Gervais



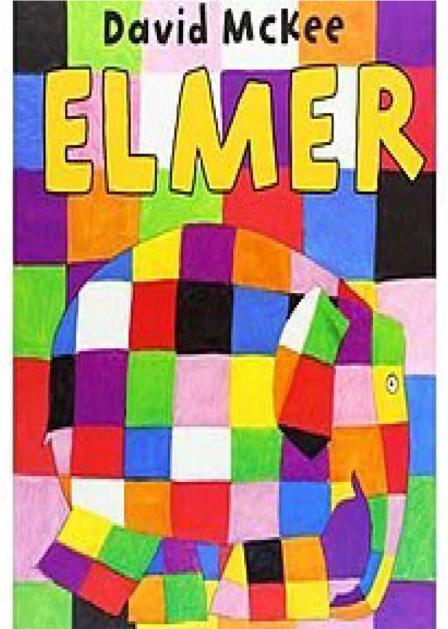




After all that, Elmer/Ice!

- Elmer
 - Elmer/Ice
- Open source
- Can do a lot, but....
- UNITS

















Elmer Essentials

- Elmer install
- SIF
- Mesh
- Other data
- Results

Elmer Install

- Should be already installed on your computers
- If want to install on your personal computers (Mac/Linux only), go to http://elmerfem.org/elmerice/wiki/doku.php ?id=compilation

Elmer Install

- Lots of folders
- Important ones:
 - Proposition of the propositio
 - BownloadDir/elmerice/Solvers
 - Proposition of the propositio
 - BownloadDir/elmerice/Tests

SIF

- Solver Input File
- The instructions that tell Elmer what to do for a given simulation
- Can be long and complicated, but doesn't need to be
- Mostly straightforward, but some syntax to learn

Mesh

- Elmer needs to be given a mesh to run on
 - i.e. a digital representation of the glacier
- Various ways of doing this
- Need to think about resolution, dimensions....

Other Data

- Elmer can load all kinds of other data
- Generally, easiest is to provide it as a text file or raster (netCDF or an ASCII format)
- Make sure in right co-ordinate system and units

Results

- Elmer outputs (useful) results in vtu format
- Best viewed and analysed in Paraview
 - Also open-source
 - Built on python

After all that, an example!

Construct a model of a realistic synthetic glacier (Synth Glacier)

- Step 1: Initialise the model
- Step 2: Grow Synth Glacier to a steady state
- Step 3: Perturb Synth Glacier







Data for ice-flow modelling

- Basics:
 - Bedrock Digital Elevation Model (DEM)
 - Surface DEM
 - A mesh domain
- More complex model = more inputs needed (usually)







Material:

To be listed when I know what I'm doing

Data: All generated internally!

SRC: Compute2DNodalGradient.F90, SyntSMB.F90

Step1: Synthetical_Glacier_BedDEM.py, Contour2geo.py, initialise_DEM.sif

Step2: steady_climat.sif, steady_climat_Stokes.sif

Step3: All.sif, Slip.sif, SMB.sif, TempDiagnostic.sif







Modelling Synth Glacier

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- Create the mesh
- Import DEMs



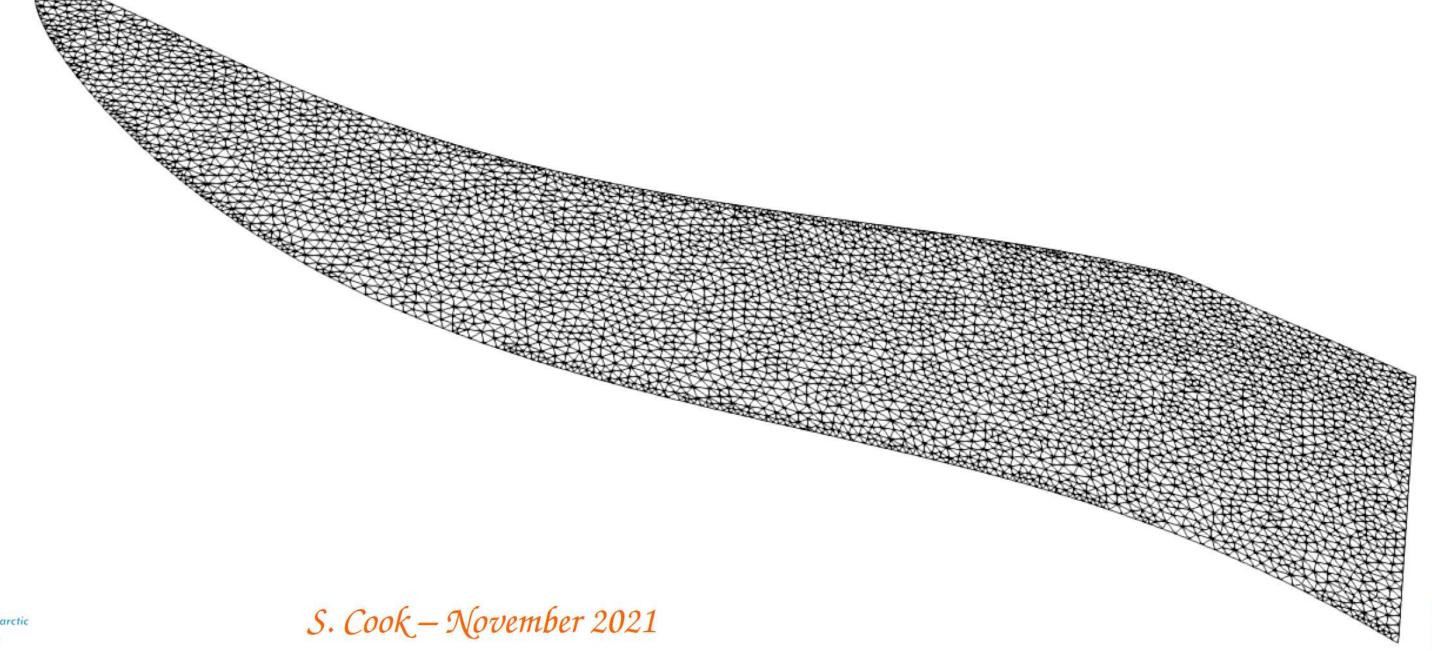






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- 1/ Use python to run **Synthetical_Glacier_BedDEM.py** to create a contour outline
- 2/ Run Contour2geo.py to turn this into a .geo file (glacier footprint)
- 3/ gmsh to turn this into a .msh file (still the footprint)
- 4/ ElmerGrid to convert to Elmer format mesh
- 5/ This 2D footprint is then extruded by the model









Step 1: Synthetical_Glacier_BedDEM.py

The python script Synthetical_Glacier_BedDEM.py:

- Takes a load of modifiable parameters and uses them to construct a realistic bed DEM for a synthetic glacier
- Generates:
 - 1. A contour outline of the glacier footprint (SyntBed_Contour_bed1.dat)
 - 2. A bed DEM (SyntBed_DEM_bed1.nc)

Options:

- Open the script lines 32-37 and 44-53 are all parameters you could modify
- We're not going to now, but you could

Run: python Synthetical_Glacier_BedDEM.py







Step 1: Contour2geo.py

The python script Contour2geo.py:

- Reads the point coordinates in the contour file
- Creates the Mesh2d.geo file (input file for GMSH)

Options:

- The contour can be made of one spline or many lines in between points
- One can choose the size of the elements (the mesh resolution)

Run: python Contour2geo.py -r 100.0 -i SyntBed_Contour_bed1.dat -o Mesh2d.geo







Step 1: GMSH and ElmerGrid

> gmsh Mesh2d -1 -2

help: http://www.geuz.org/gmsh/

line commands:

"-2" performs 1D and 2D mesh generation and then exits

> ElmerGrid 14 2 Mesh2d.msh -autoclean

Converts a GMSH mesh (14) into an Elmer mesh (2)

> ElmerGrid 14 5 Mesh2d.msh -autoclean

Converts a GMSH mesh (14) into a vtu file (5) Use Paraview to visualise the mesh



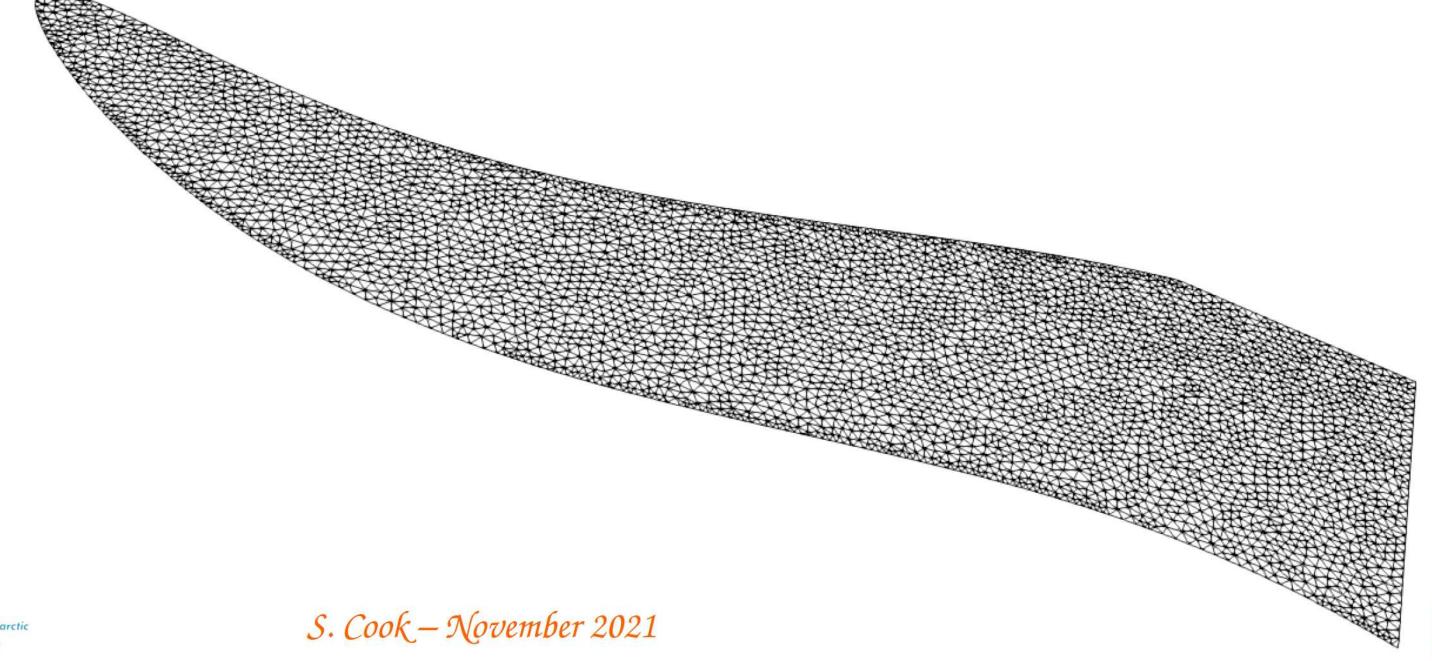




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Step 1: Import DEMs

- A very simple SIF: initialise_DEM.sif
- Internal extrusion









Step 1: SIFs

- Header and constants
 - -Include files
- Simulation
- Bodies
- Solvers
- Equations
- Boundary conditions







Step 1: SIFs

- Not in this SIF:
 - Material
 - Initial conditions
 - Body forces







Step 1: Internal extrusion

Define the number of vertical layers to make your mesh 3D (Simulation section; see **Extrusion.sif**):

```
Coordinate System = Cartesian 3D
  Simulation Type = Steady
  Extruded Mesh Levels = Integer 5
End
The second solver to be executed is the StructuredMeshMapper
Solver 2
  Equation = "MapCoordinate"
  Procedure = "StructuredMeshMapper" "StructuredMeshMapper"
  Active Coordinate = Integer 3 \leftarrow 3D problem, so the mesh moves in the z direction
  Displacement Mode = Logical False
  Correct Surface = Logical True
  Minimum Height = Real #MinH ◆
                                                       zs = min(zs, bed+#MinH)
  ! Top and bottom surfaces defined from variables
  Top Surface Variable Name = String "surfDEM"
                                                             See next slide
  Bottom Surface Variable Name = String "bedDEM"
End
```





Simulation



Step 1: Internal extrusion

bedDEM and surfDEM (variable) must be declared in a solver (GridDataReader for example)

```
Exported Variable 1 = -dofs 1 "bedDEM"
Exported Variable 2 = -dofs 1 "surfDEM"
```

Keywords Bottom Surface and Top Surface (needed by the solver StructuredMeshMapper) are assigned the value of these two variables

```
!Bed rock BC
Boundary Condition 2
   Bottom Surface = Equals bedDEM
```

End

```
! Upper Surface BC
Boundary Condition 3
  Top Surface = Equals surfDEM
End
```







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Step 2: Work to do

- Grow the glacier
- Introduce Stokes
- Steady state?
- Parallelisation







- Initial glacier geometry set up
- Now we need some ice
- And to do something with it....
- SIF gets a bit more complicated
 - New sections:
 - Initial Condition
 - Body Force
 - Material







- Initial Condition

Initial Condition 1

End







- Body Force

```
Body Force 1
 Flow BodyForce 1 = Real 0.0
 Flow BodyForce 2 = Real 0.0
  Flow BodyForce 3 = Real #gravity
! This should be in Body Force 2 but not working
! for solver executed on a boundary
 Zs = Variable bedDEM
    Real LUA "tx[0]+ MinH"
  ! should make it also dependent on SMB, i.e. allow zs to change if SMB>0
   Zs Condition = Variable "IcyMask", "Mass Balance"
    Real LUA "IfThenElse((tx[0] < -0.5) and (tx[1] <= 0.0), 1.0, -1.0)"
End
```





- Material

```
Material 1
! For the ice flow
  Density = Real #rhoi
  Viscosity Model = String "Glen"
  Viscosity = Real 1.0
  Glen Exponent = Real 3.0
  Critical Shear Rate = Real 1.0e-10
 ! properties with T
  Rate Factor 1 = Real #A1
  Rate Factor 2 = Real #A2
  Activation Energy 1 = Real #Q1
  Activation Energy 2 = Real #Q2
  Glen Enhancement Factor = Real 1.0
  Limit Temperature = Real -10.0
  Relative Temperature = Real 0.0
  ! or provide A
  !Set Arrhenius Factor = Logical
True
  !Arrhenius Factor = Real #A
```

```
Min Zs = Variable bedDEM
    Real LUA "tx[0]+ MinH"
End

! Prefactor from Cuffey&Paterson
(2010) in MPa^{-3} a^{-1}
#A1 = 2.89165e-13*yearinsec*1.0e18
#A2 = 2.42736e-2*yearinsec*1.0e18
#Q1 = 60.0e3
#Q2 = 115.0e3
```









1/ Need to restart...

Initial conditions are set before the first solver is executed Impossible then to initialize with another variable This is then done by using a restart and specifying:

Restart Before Initial Conditions = Logical True

2/ (As an aside) Problem when a solver is called two time in the same sif...

Need to make a copy of the object file to avoid mixing the saved variables in the solver from two different calls:

cp \$ELMER_HOME/share/elmersolver/lib/FreeSurfaceSolver.so MyFreeSurfaceSolver

Use a different call in the sif file for Zb:

Procedure = "./MyFreeSurfaceSolver" "FreeSurfaceSolver"







- We currently have no ice
 - So cannot do a **diagnostic** simulation (unchanging geometry and boundary conditions)
 - We will run a **prognostic** simulation (changing geometry and boundary conditions)

In a prognostic simulation, need to:

- Add the FreeSurface solver
- Add one body per FS (new Initial Condition and Equation Sections)
- Modifications in the Simulation and Boundary Condition Sections



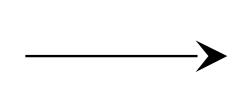






The simulation Section has to be modified:

```
Restart File = "synt_DEM.result"
Restart Position = 0
Restart Time = Real 0.0
Restart Before Initial Conditions = Logical True
```



We need a restart to have the Zs and bedDEM variables for the initial condition of Zs (and Zb, if we were setting one)

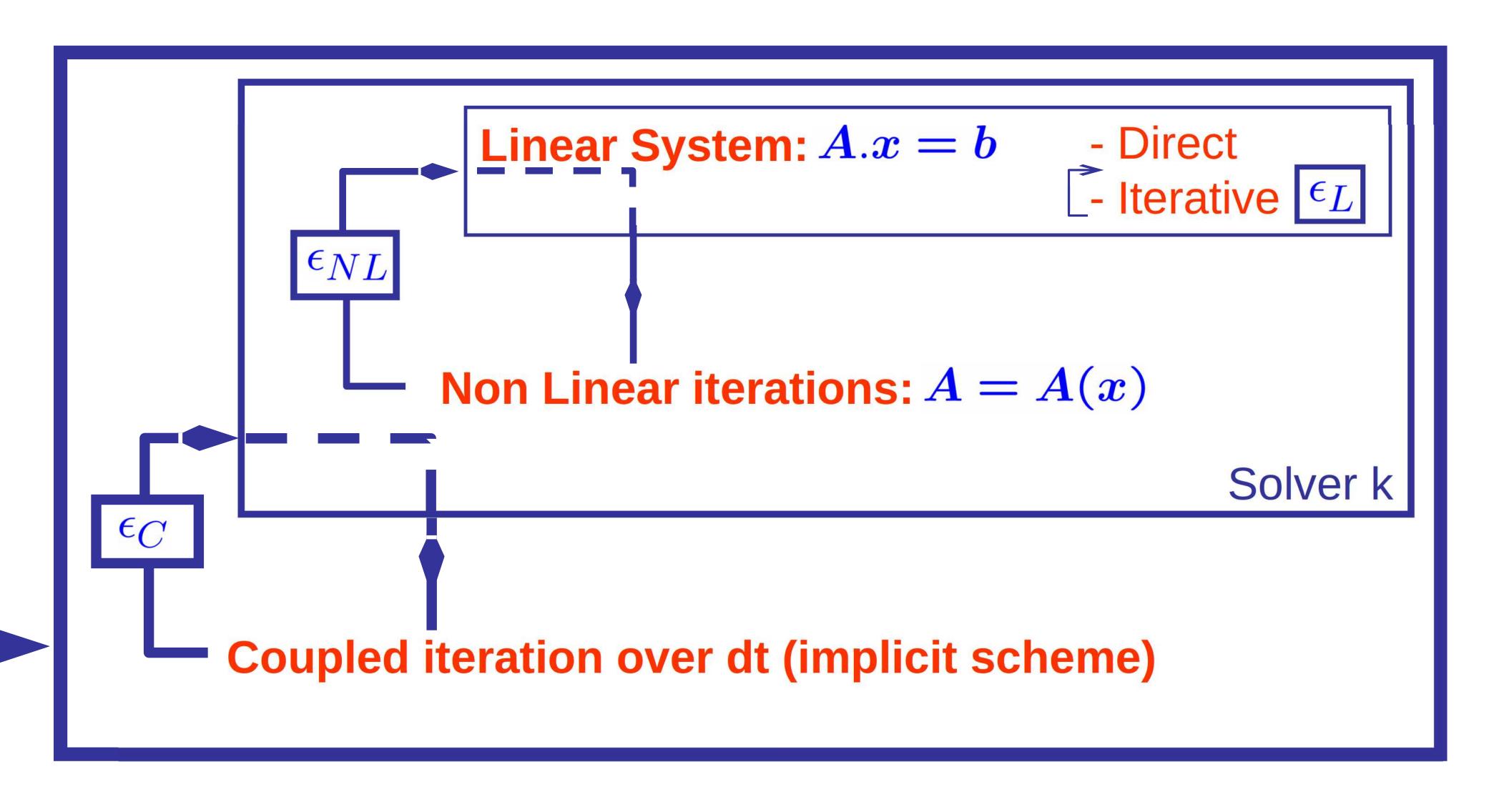






Step 2 — Sketch of a transient simulation

Geometry + Mesh — Degrees of freedom



$$t = t + dt$$











The free surface solver only applies to boundary 3 (upper surface)

Define a 2nd body which is on boundary 3.

```
Body 2
  name = "surface"
  Equation = 2
  Body Force = 2
  Material = 1
  Initial Condition = 2
End
```

where Equation 2, Body Force 2 and Initial Condition 2 are defined for the free surface equation of the upper surface.

```
Need to say in BC3 that this is the location of Body 2:

Boundary Condition 3

Body Id = 2

...

End
```







Equation 2:

```
Equation 2
  Active Solvers(5) = 3 5 6 7 8
  Flow Solution Name = String "Flow Solution"
  Convection = String Computed
End
```

Initial Condition 2: (say that $z_s(x,0)$ is given by the surface DEM)

```
Initial Condition 2
  Zs = Equals surfDEM
  RefZs = Equals surfDEM
  IcyMask = Real 1.0
End
```







Body Force 2:

```
Body Force 2
  Zs Accumulation Flux 1 = Real 0.0e0
  Zs Accumulation Flux 2 = Real 0.0e0
  Zs Accumulation Flux 3 = Equals "Mass Balance"

! surface slope norm
  slope = Variable "dzs 1", "dzs 2"
  REAL LUA "math.sqrt(tx[0]*tx[0]+tx[1]*tx[1])"

! mask mass balance with surface slope
  Mass Balance = Variable "Mass Balance Ini", "slope"
  Real LUA "IfThenElse(tx[0]>0,IfThenElse(tx[1]< 1.2, tx[0], 0.0),tx[0])"
End</pre>
```







```
Solver 7
Equation = String "Free Surface Evolution"
  Procedure = "FreeSurfaceSolver" "FreeSurfaceSolver"
  Variable = "Zs"
  Variable DOFs = 1
 ! calculate dz/dt (better than from mesh velocity in case of steady-state iterations)
  Calculate Velocity = Logical True
 ! Apply internal limiters
  Apply Dirichlet = Logical true
 ! Steb method
  Stabilization Method = Stabilized
 ! linear settings
  Linear System Solver = Iterative
  Linear System Iterative Method = BiCGStab
  Linear System Max Iterations = 1000
  Linear System Preconditioning = ILU0
  Linear System Convergence Tolerance = 1.0e-10
 ! non-linear settings
  Nonlinear System Max Iterations = 20 ! variational inequality needs more than one round
  Nonlinear System Min Iterations = 2
  Nonlinear System Convergence Tolerance = 1.0e-8
  Steady State Convergence Tolerance = 1.0e-6
 ! loads also takes into account dirichlet conditions
 ! to compute residual flux
  calculate loads = Logical True
  Exported Variable 1 = -nooutput "Zs Residual"
  Exported Variable 2 = "Ref Zs"
End
```



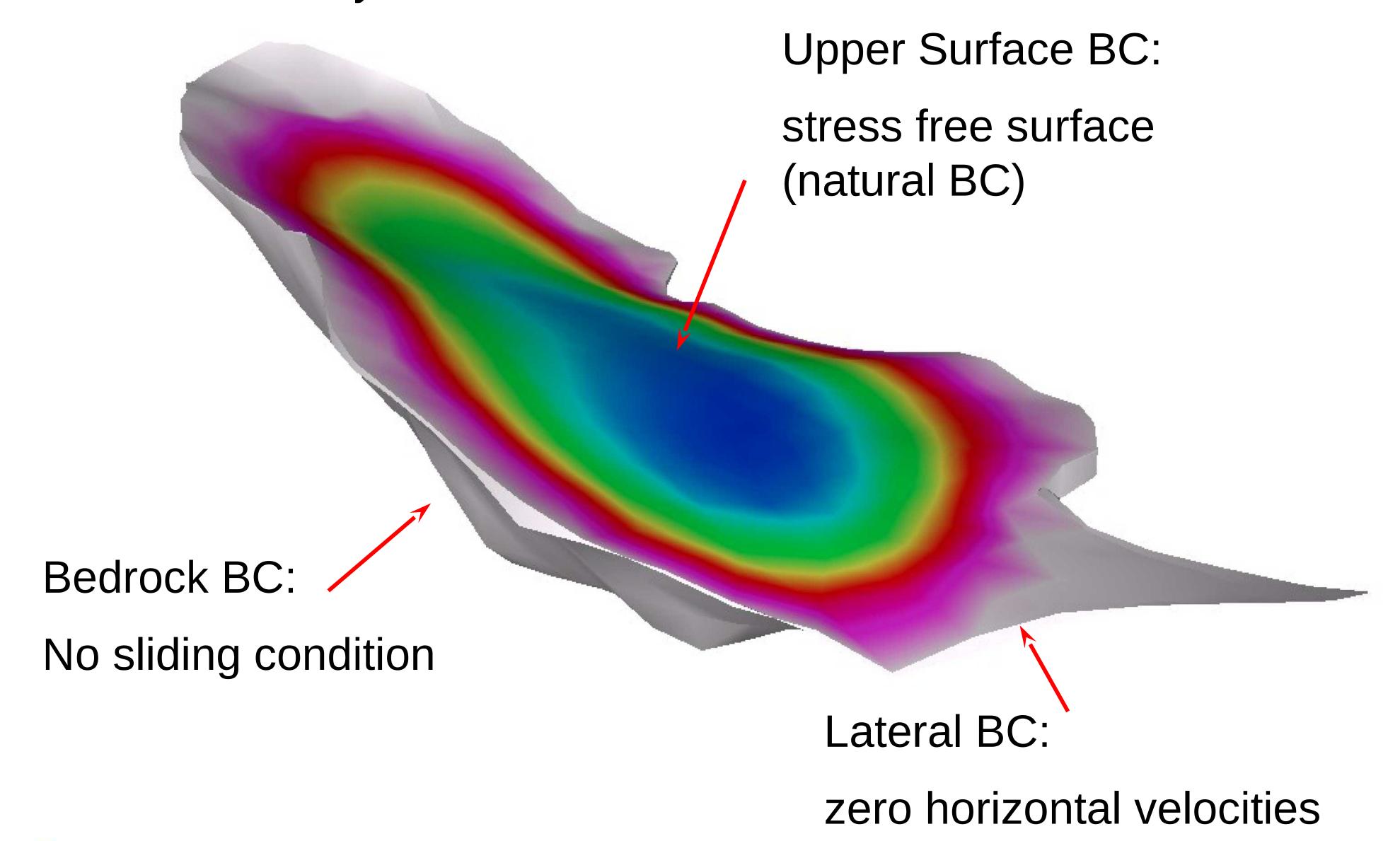
- Next, we want to get that ice moving
- This means solving the Stokes equations







Solve only the Stokes equation in a diagnostic way 3 boundary conditions











```
! lateral side of the glacier
Boundary Condition 1
 Target Boundaries = 1
 Velocity 1 = real 0.0
                               Null horizontal velocities
 Velocity 2 = real 0.0
End
! Bedrock
Boundary Condition 2
  Bottom Surface = Equals BedDEM
 Velocity 1 = Real 0.0
 Velocity 2 = Real 0.0
                                  No sliding
 Velocity 3 = Real 0.0
End
! Upper Surface
                                  Natural BC,
Boundary Condition 3
  Top Surface = Equals ZsDEM
                                  nothing to do!
End
```







```
! lateral side of the glacier
Boundary Condition 1
   Target Boundaries = 1
End
```

Natural BC

```
! lateral side of the glacier
Boundary Condition 1
   Target Boundaries = 1
   Velocity 1 = real 0.0
   Velocity 2 = real 0.0
   Velocity 3 = real 0.0
End
```

zero velocity

Can make velocities normal-tangential, however....







$$D_{ij} = A\tau_e^{n-1}S_{ij}$$
 ; $S_{ij} = A^{-1/n}I_{D_2}^{(1-n)/n}D_{ij}$

$$A = A(T') = A_0 \exp^{-Q/RT'}$$

$$A = A_1 = 2.89 \times 10^{-13} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{Pa}^{-3} \text{ if } T \le -10^{\circ} \text{C}$$

 $A = A_2 = 2.43 \times 10^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{Pa}^{-3} \text{ if } T \ge -10^{\circ} \text{C}$

$$Q = Q_1 = 60 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} \text{ if } T \le -10^{\circ}\text{C}$$

 $Q = Q_2 = 115 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} \text{ if } T \ge -10^{\circ}\text{C}$

Cuffey and Paterson (2010)

assume a constant temperature of -1°C

| Paterson 2010 | | |
|---------------|----------------|-----------------|
| | | |
| A* = | 3.50000E-25 | s^-1 Pa^-3 |
| A1 = | 2.89165E-13 | s^-1 Pa^-3 |
| A2 = | 2.42736E-02 | s^-1 Pa^-3 |
| Q1 = | 60000 | J/mol |
| Q2 = | 115000 | J/mol |
| | | |
| T [°C] | A [s^-1 Pa^-3] | A [a^-1 MPa^-3] |
| 0 | 2.4029E-24 | 75.830 |
| -1 | 1.9945E-24 | 62.942 |
| -2 | 1.6533E-24 | 52.173 |
| -3 | 1.3685E-24 | 43.186 |
| -4 | 1.1312E-24 | 35.698 |
| -5 | 9.3370E-25 | 29.465 |
| -6 | 7.6958E-25 | 24.286 |
| -7 | 6.3339E-25 | 19.988 |
| -8 | 5.2054E-25 | 16.427 |
| -9 | 4.2716E-25 | 13.480 |
| -10 | 3.5000E-25 | 11.045 |
| -10 | 3.5000E-25 | 11.045 |
| -11 | 3.1520E-25 | 9.947 |
| -12 | 2.8363E-25 | 8.951 |
| -13 | 2.5501E-25 | 8.048 |
| -14 | 2.2910E-25 | 7.230 |
| -15 | 2.0564E-25 | 6.490 |
| -16 | 1.8444E-25 | 5.820 |
| -17 | 1.6528E-25 | 5.216 |
| -18 | 1.4798E-25 | 4.670 |
| -19 | 1.3238E-25 | 4.177 |
| -20 | 1.1831E-25 | 3.734 |
| -21 | 1.0565E-25 | 3.334 |
| -22 | 9.4260E-26 | 2.975 |
| -23 | 8.4019E-26 | 2.651 |
| -24 | 7.4822E-26 | 2.361 |
| -25 | 6.6570E-26 | 2.101 |
| -30 | 3.6580E-26 | 1.154 |
| -35 | 1.9601E-26 | 0.619 |
| -40 | 1.0225E-26 | 0.323 |
| -45 | 5.1843E-27 | 0.164 |
| -50 | 2.5496E-27 | 0.080 |







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```
Solver 4
  Equation = "Stokes-Vec"
  Procedure = "IncompressibleNSVec"
"IncompressibleNSSolver"
  Stokes Flow = logical true
  !Exec Solver = "Never"
  Div-Curl Discretization = Logical
False
  Stabilization Method = String
Stabilized
  !linear settings:
  include linsys/BiCGStab.sif
!Non-linear iteration settings:
  Nonlinear System Max Iterations =
20
  Nonlinear System Convergence
Tolerance = 1.0e-5
  Nonlinear System Newton After
Iterations = 4
  Nonlinear System Newton After
Tolerance = 1.0e-4
```

```
Nonlinear System Reset Newton = Logical True
 ! make it safe abort if non-linear diverge
 Nonlinear System Abort Not Converged =
Logical True
  ! Convergence on timelevel (not required
here)
  Steady State Convergence Tolerance = Real
1.0e-3
 Relative Integration Order = -1
  !Number of Integration Points = Integer 44 !
21, 28, 44, 64, ...
 ! 1st iteration viscosity is constant
 Constant-Viscosity Start = Logical False
End
```







BiCGSTab.sif: Linear System Solver = Iterative Linear System Iterative Method = BiCGStab Linear System Max Iterations = 1000 Linear System Preconditioning = ILU0 Linear System Convergence Tolerance = 1.0e-08

Linear System Residual Output = 100







If you want to use Newton linearisation for the non-linear iterations, don't forget to reset the conditions used to move from Picard to Newton at each time step, by adding:

```
Solver 3
   Equation = "Navier-Stokes"
   Nonlinear System Reset Newton = Logical True
End
```









Step 2 – Steady state?

- Now we've got everything set up, we want to see what sort of glacier would exist in our conditions
 - Defined terrain
 - Defined SMB
 - But no ice yet
- This will be a pseudo-steady-state run, as the geometry will evolve (to start with), but the forcing and boundary conditions are fixed







Step 2 – Steady state?

- But, Stokes takes a long time to solve
- Run the two SIFs (steady_climat.sif and steady_climate_Stokes.sif) for a few minutes each
- Notice anything?
- We can help here with parallelisation







Step 2 – Parallelisation

Parallelisation is easy (hooray!).

You just need a partitioned mesh (here 2 partitions):

> ElmerGrid 2 2 Mesh2d -autoclean -partdual -metiskway 2

And to create a file (ELMERSOLVER_STARTINFO) which contains the name of the sif file on its first line,

and then

> mpirun -n 2 ElmerSolver_mpi

But, to reach steady state, will still take (11ish) hours of runtime...

And we also need to go back and run initialise_DEM.sif in parallel so we can actually restart from it.







Step 2 – Results

- Elmer produces several kinds of results files:
 - .result files used for restarts
 - .vtu files used for visualisation and postprocessing – view in Paraview
 - Various output solvers can also output additional formats and files
- Have provided a steady-state .result set and a .vtu example open it in Paraview!







Modelling Synth Glacier

- ✓ Step 1 Model initialisation
- ✓ Step 2
 - Growing Synth Glacier to a steady state
- ✓ Step 3
 - Perturbing Synth Glacier







Step 3 – Work to do

- Basal slip
- Changing SMB
- Temperature field
- All at once









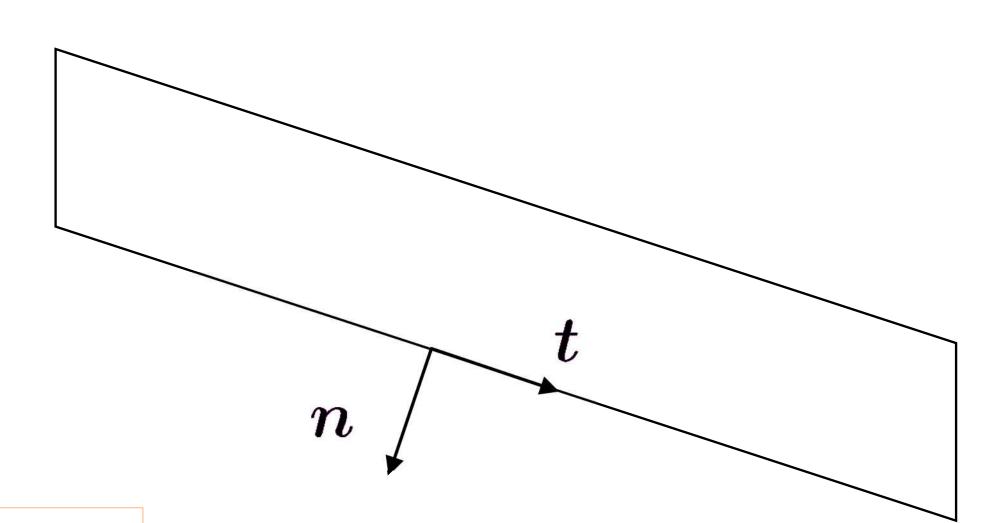
Step 3 – Basal slip

Friction law in Elmer (2d case illustrated):

$$C_i u_i = \sigma_{ij} n_j \ (i = 1, 2)$$

$$C_t u_t = \sigma_{nt} \; ; \; C_n u_n = \sigma_{nn}$$

where n is the surface normal vector



```
! Bedrock BC
Boundary Condition 2
....
Normal-Tangential Velocity = Logical True

Velocity 1 = Real 0.0e0
Slip Coefficient 2 = Real 0.1
Slip Coefficient 3 = Real 0.1
End
```

How to evaluate the Slip Coefficient?







Step 3 — Basal slip

- Need to change basal BC – replace 'no_slip.sif' with 'slip_linear.sif'

```
Normal-Tangential Velocity = Logical True

Mass Consistent Normals = Logical True

Velocity 1 = Real 0.0e0

Slip Coefficient 2 = Real #slc

Slip Coefficient 3 = Real #slc

! set no sliding if H< 2m

Velocity 2 = Real 0.0e0

Velocity 3 = Real 0.0e0

Velocity 2 Condition = Variable "thickness"

Real LUA "IfThenElse(tx[0]< 2.0, 1.0, -1.0)"

Velocity 3 Condition = Variable "thickness"

Real LUA "IfThenElse(tx[0]< 2.0, 1.0, -1.0)"
```





Step 3 – Basal slip

- This is a very simple linear slip law
- More complicated ones in USF_Sliding.F90
- Even here, glacier starts to speed up
- Sliding is important for glacier motion, but still not fully understood
- Easy to implement in models, though







Step 3 – Basal slip

- Which slip law to use?
 - Linear, Weertman, Budd, Tsai, Coulomb...?
 - Depends on what you're modelling
 - Scale, processes, timestep....







Step 3 – Changing SMB

- Need to change SMB parameters
- Physical_Parameters_New.IN
 - GlacierHead: SMB at top of glacier
 - GlacierHeadElevation: elevation of top of glacier
 - SMBExponent: how quickly SMB changes with altitude
 - SMBELA: the elevation of the equilibrium line altitude (ELA)
- -Try increasing the ELA from 3700 to 3800 to start with







Step 3 – Changing SMB

- The glacier already retreats quite a long way
- Play around with the other parameters a bit to get a sense of how they matter
- More generally, models often have several parameters it's important to get them right







- Need to add quite a lot temperature is a bit complicated
- Temperature solver is also quite **numerically unstable** (especially in transient)
 - Can go back to square one to set up a converged Stokes-temperature field
 - Or can cheat a bit

```
Temperature Passive = Variable "Thickness","slope"
Real LUA "IfThenElse((tx[0] <= 50) or (tx[1] > 1.2), 1.0, -1.0)"
```

- Need to be careful with this, though
- But best idea is to restart a real steady-state, diagnostic simulation from our transient glacier-growing run







- New in the SIF:

```
Initial Condition 1
                                            Setting an initial condition can
  !Temperature = Real 271.0
                                            help
End
                                           Convergence (not needed here).
Body Force 1
 Temperature Volume Source = Equals W ! The volumetric heat source
End
Boundary Condition 2
   geothermal heatflux
  Temperature Flux BC = Logical True
  Temperature Heat Flux = Real $56.05E-03*yearinsec*1.0E-6
   frictional heat
  Temperature Load = Variable Velocity 1
    Real Procedure "ElmerIceUSF" "getFrictionLoads"
End
```







```
Boundary Condition 3
  Temperature = Real 273.0
End
Material 1
  ! the heat capacity as a MATC function of temperature itself
  Temperature Heat Capacity = Variable Temperature
    Real MATC "capacity(tx)*yearinsec^2"
  ! the heat conductivity as a MATC function of temperature itself
  Temperature Heat Conductivity = Variable Temperature
    Real MATC "conductivity(tx)*yearinsec*1.0E-06"
  ! Upper limit - pressure melting point
  ! as a MATC function of the pressure (what else?)
  Temperature Upper Limit = Variable Pressure
    Real MATC "pressuremeltingpoint(tx)"
   lower limit (to be save) as 0 K
  Temperature Lower Limit = Real 0.0
End
```





```
Solver 5
    Equation = DeformationalHeat
    Variable = W
    Variable DOFs = 1
    procedure = "ElmerIceSolvers" "DeformationalHeatSolver"
    Linear System Solver = direct
    Linear System direct Method = umfpack
End
```







```
Solver 6
  Equation = String "Homologous Temperature Equation"
  Procedure = File "ElmerIceSolvers" "TemperateIceSolver"
  Loop While Unconstrained Nodes = Logical True◀
 Variable = String "Temperature"
 Variable DOFs = 1
  Linear System Solver = "Iterative"
  Linear System Iterative Method = "BiCGStab"
  Linear System Max Iterations = 1000
  Linear System Convergence Tolerance = 1.0E-07
  Linear System Abort Not Converged = True
  Linear System Preconditioning = "ILU4"
  Linear System Residual Output = 1
  Steady State Convergence Tolerance = 1.0E-04
  Nonlinear System Convergence Tolerance = 1.0E-05
  Nonlinear System Max Iterations = 50
  Nonlinear System Relaxation Factor = Real 9.999E-01
  ! uses the contact algorithm (aka Dirichlet algorithm)
 Apply Dirichlet = Logical True
  Stabilize = True
  ! those two variables are needed in order to store
  ! the relative or homologous temperature as well
   as the residual
  Exported Variable 1 = String "Temperature Homologous"
  Exported Variable 1 DOFs = 1
  Exported Variable 2 = String "Temperature Residual"
  Exported Variable 2 DOFs = 1
```

This is a really important option



End





- Solving for temperature can also **greatly** increase model runtime (hooray!)
- Try running All.sif, which includes everything this step
 - It's not fast....
 - Notice all the TemperateIceSolver output....
 - Trying to do much at once tends to break things
 - What do you actually need from the simulation?







Next steps

- There are loads of other solvers you can add
- Each should have an associated test in elmerice/Tests
 - The SIF for each test will show you how to set things up
 - There is also documentation for each Elmer/Ice solver and user function
 - elmerice/Solvers/Documentation
 - elmerice/USFs/Documentation







Next steps

- If you're interested in modelling mountain glaciers, this workflow is a really nice starting point:

https://gricad-gitlab.univ-grenoble-alpes.fr/maured/mountain-glacier-tutorial

- This is the more detailed version if you're interested in the development side:

https://gitlab.com/damien.maure/internship-workflow







Next steps

- Any questions, you've got this course
- And the Elmer/Ice forums
 - https://elmerfem.org/forum/viewforum.php?f=21
- If your problem is with a specific solver, try emailing whoever wrote it
- Good luck!







