



# M21C Land Budgets

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# Land Water Balance

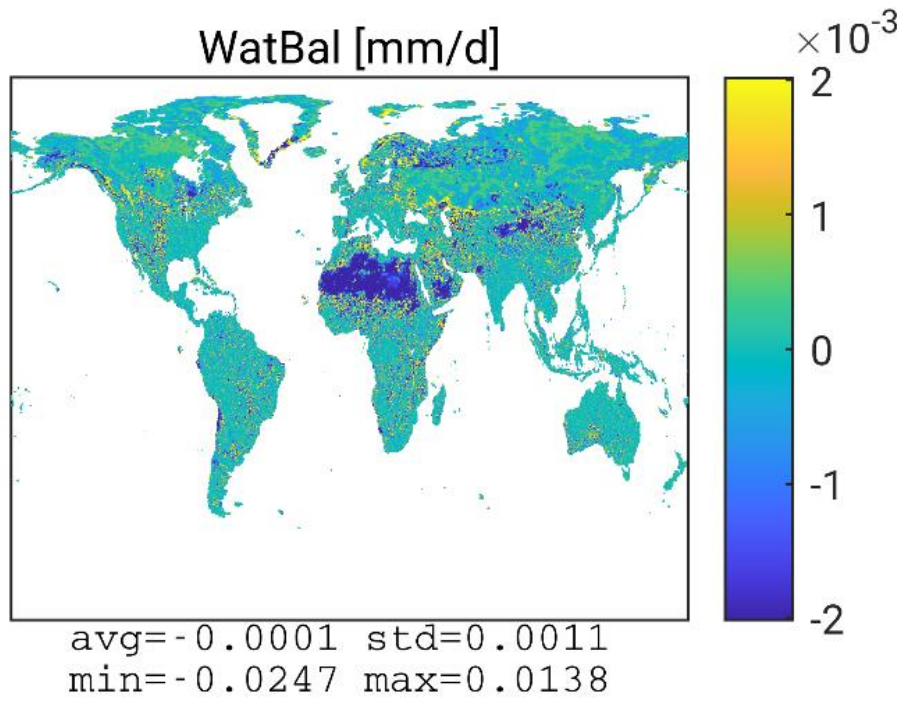
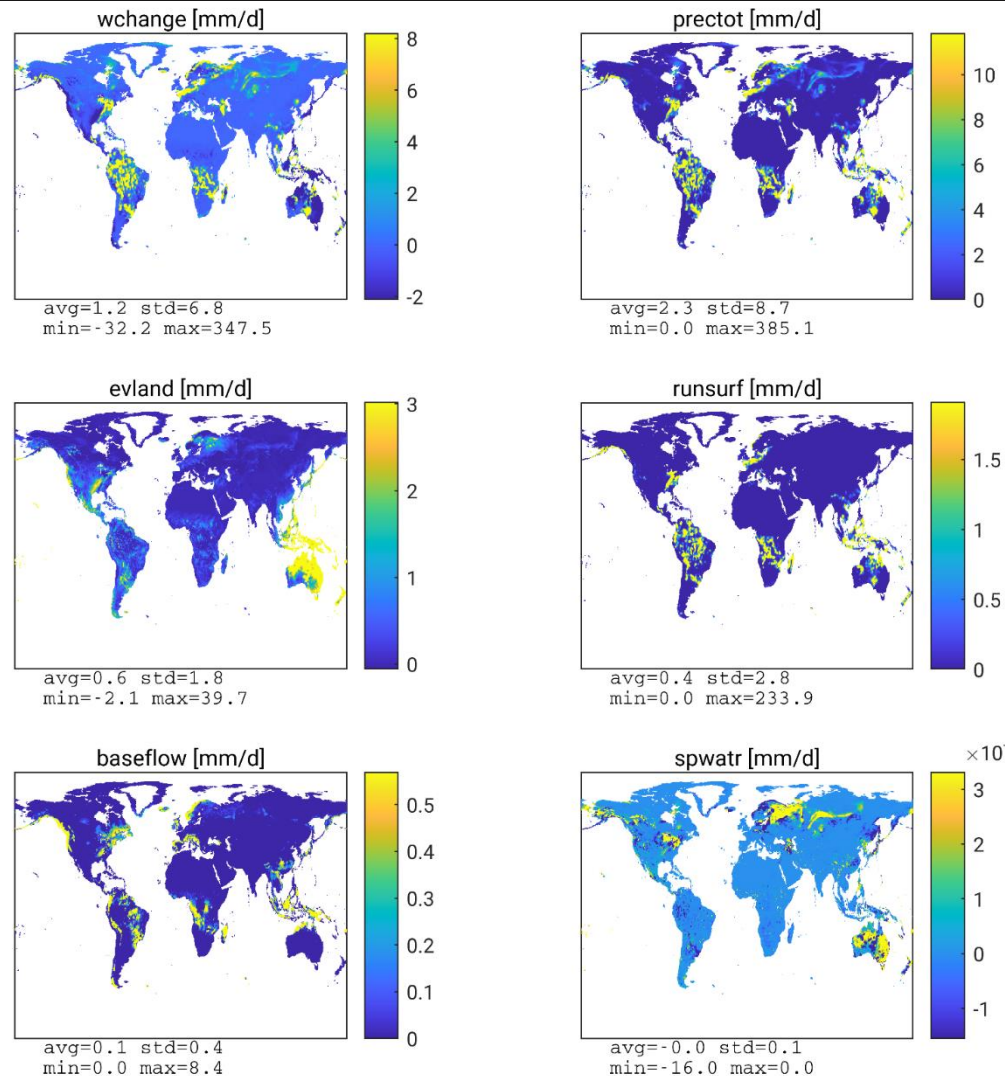


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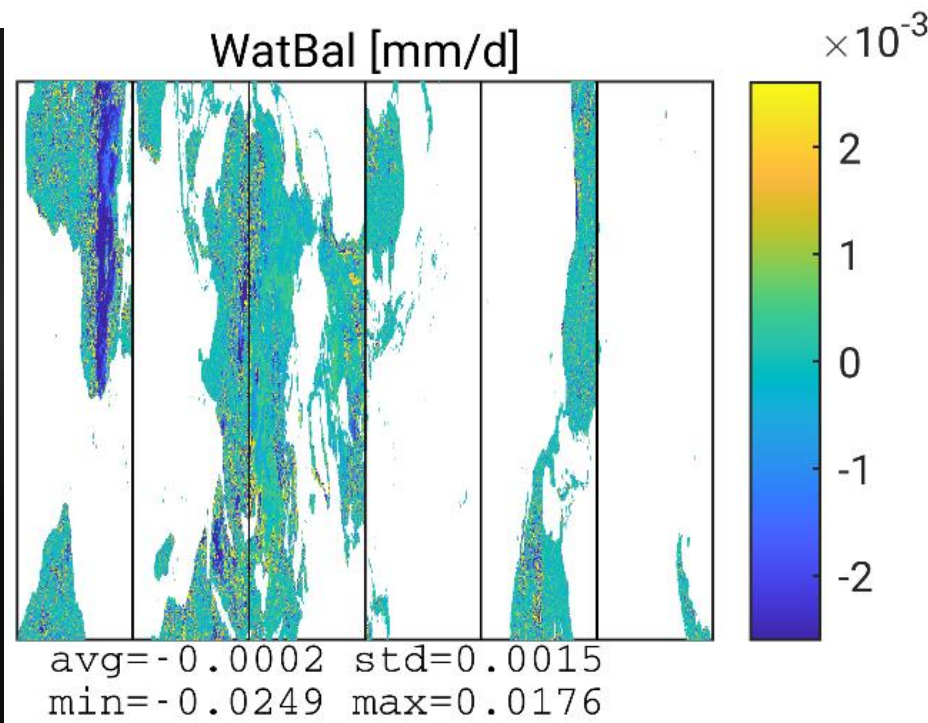
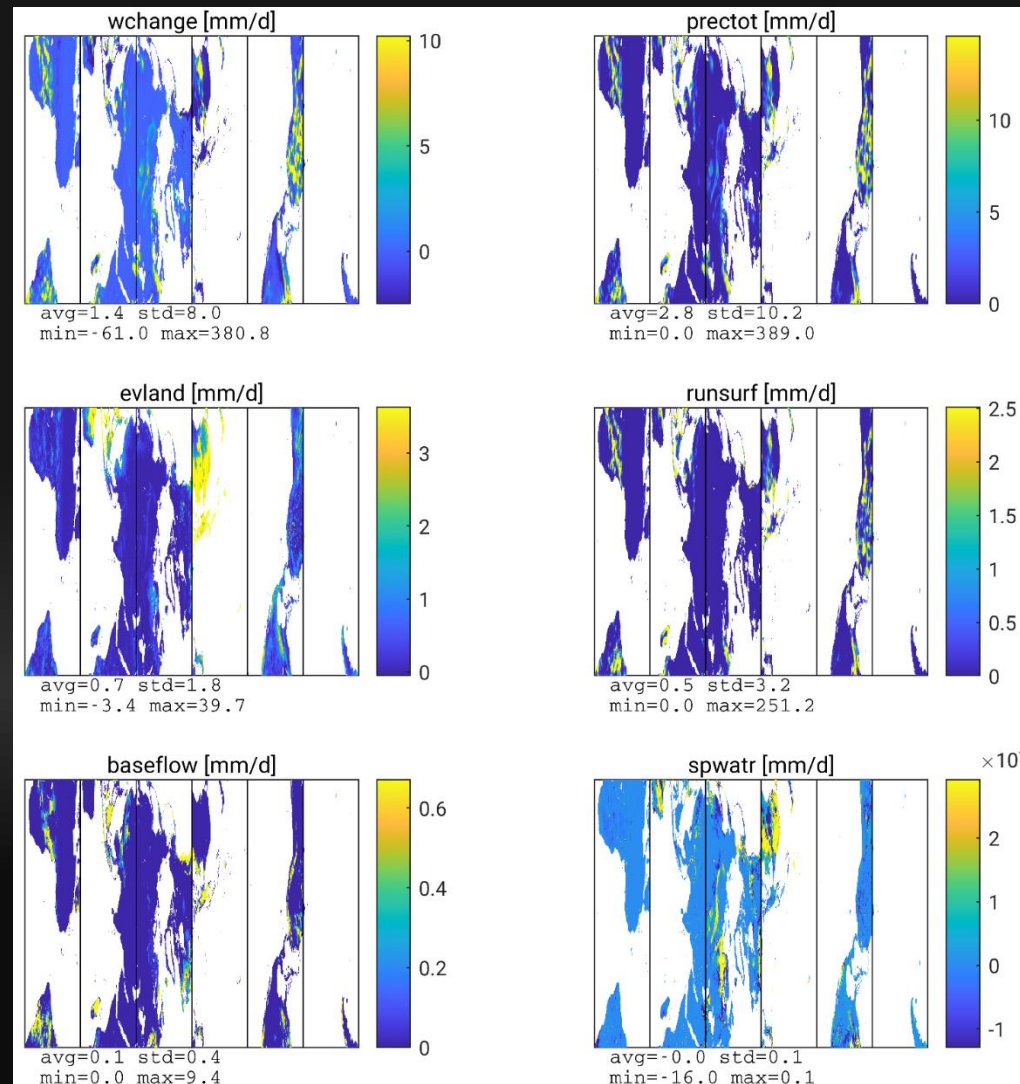


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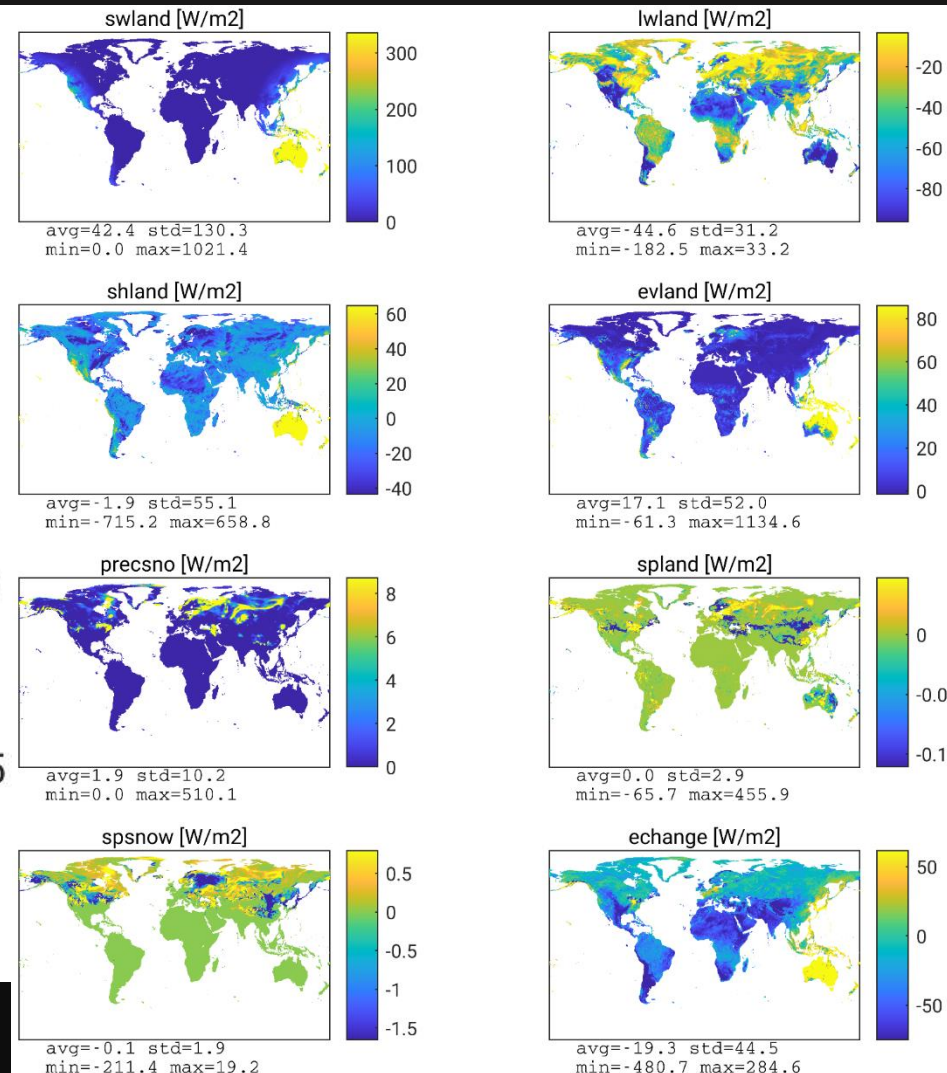
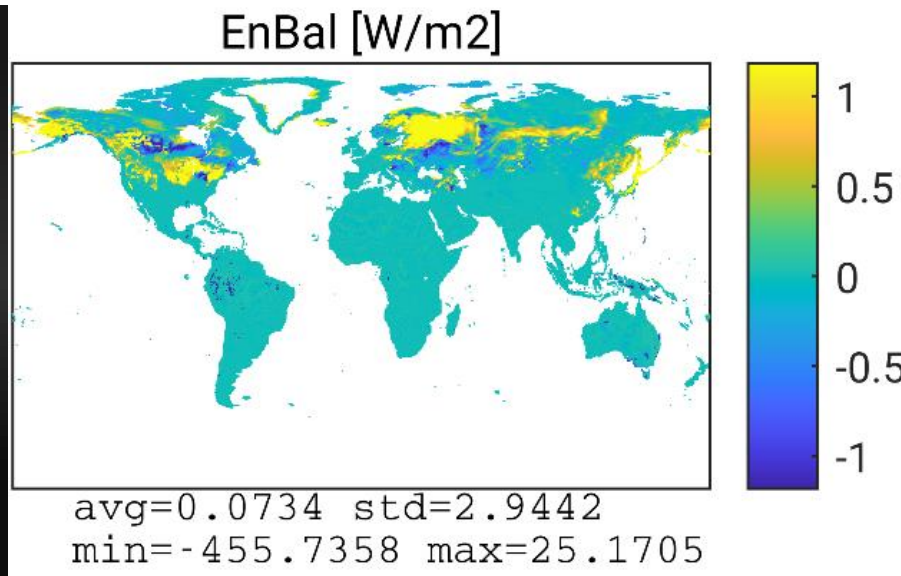
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**Wrong!!!**



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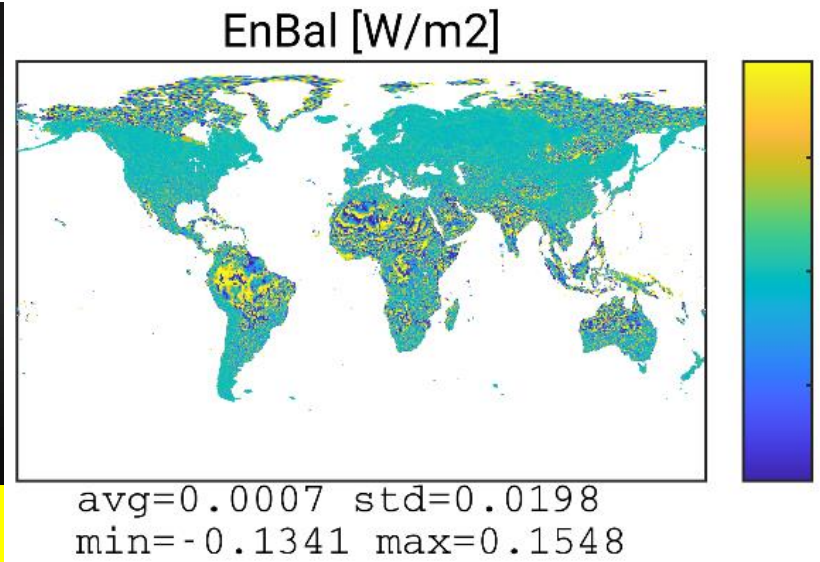
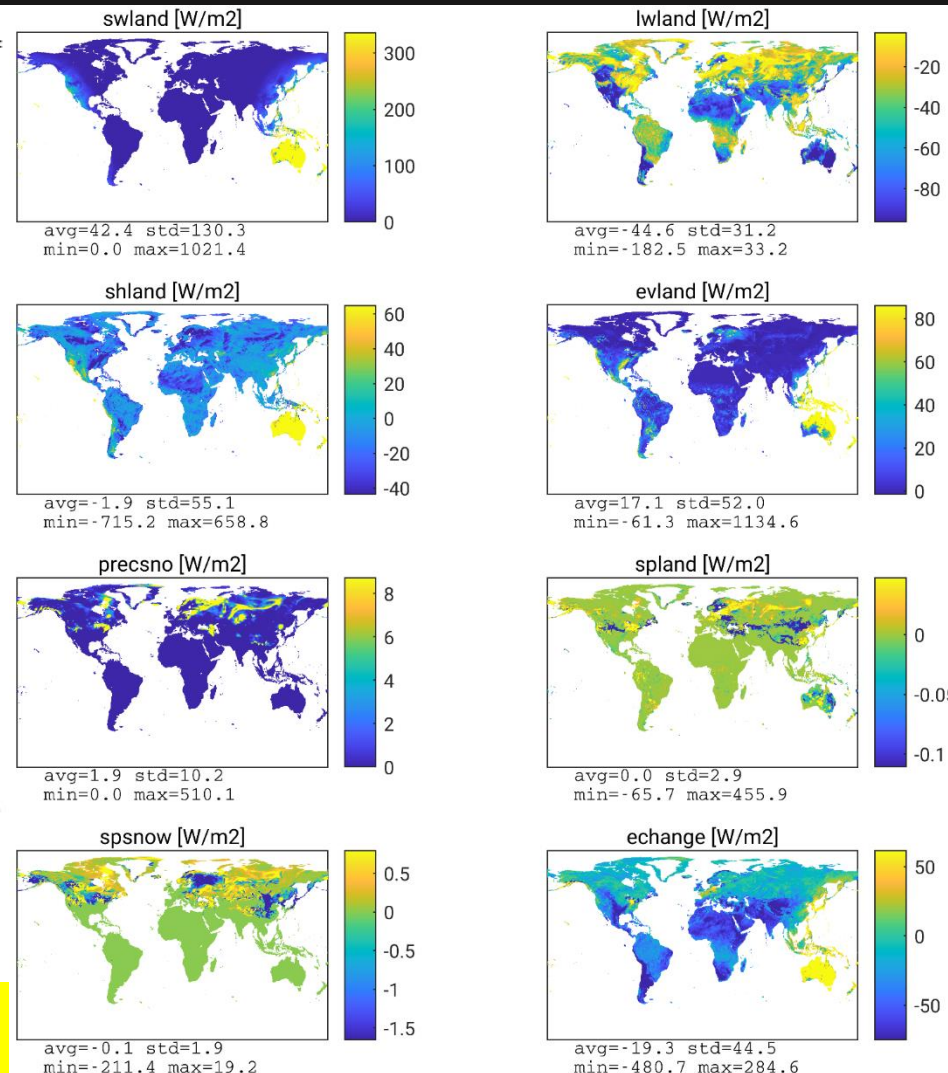
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**Revise  
M2 File  
Specs!**

**Replace:**

$L_v \text{EVLAND}$

**→ EVPINTR + EVPSBLN + EVPSOIL + EVPTRNS**



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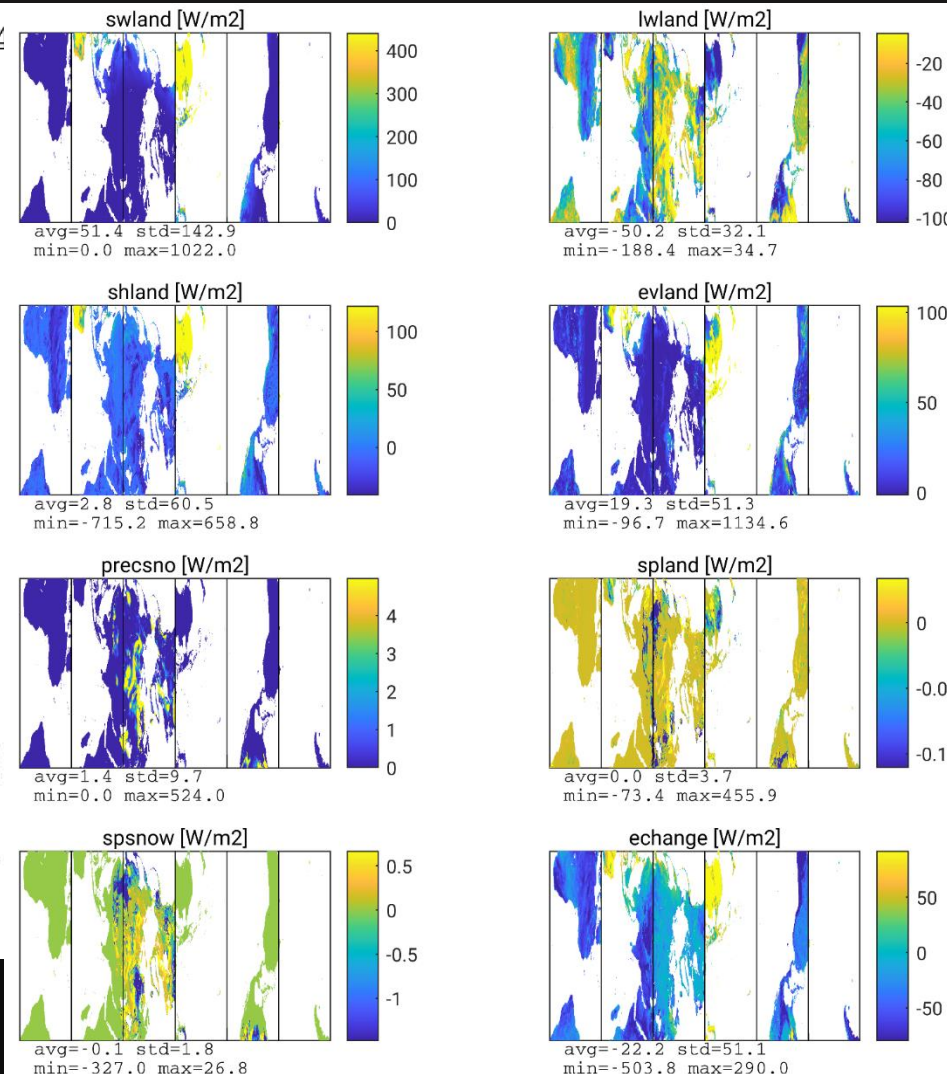
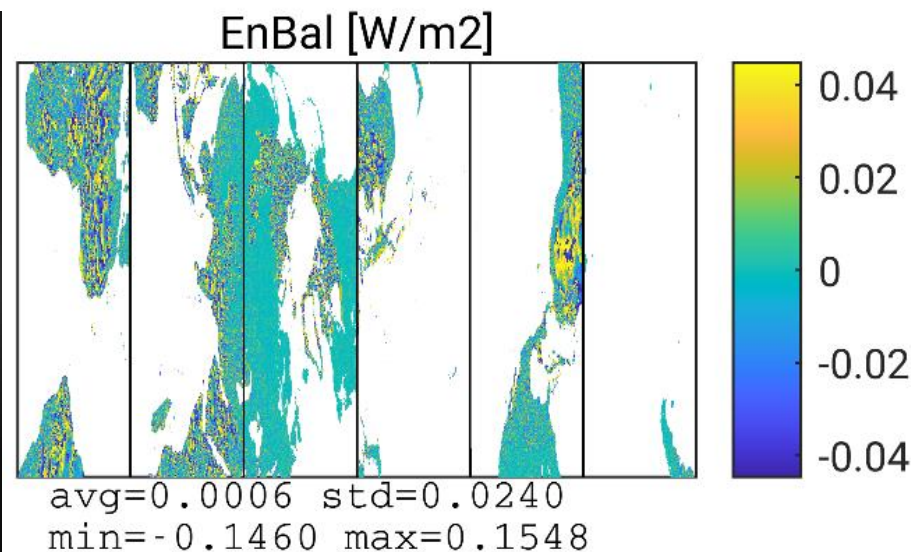
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also ok  
for cs  
output.



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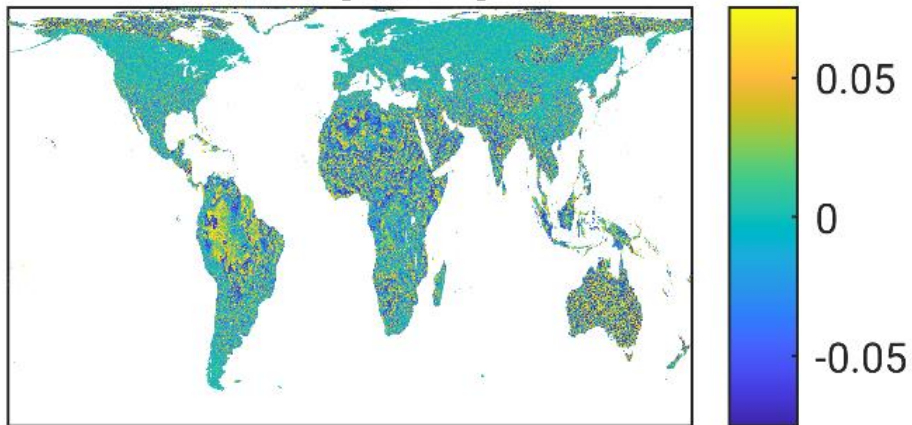
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SMAP\_Nature\_v11.3\_budget.tavg1\_1d\_lnd\_Nt.19970205\_0030z.nc4

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EnBal = swland +lwland -shland  
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EnBal [W/m2]

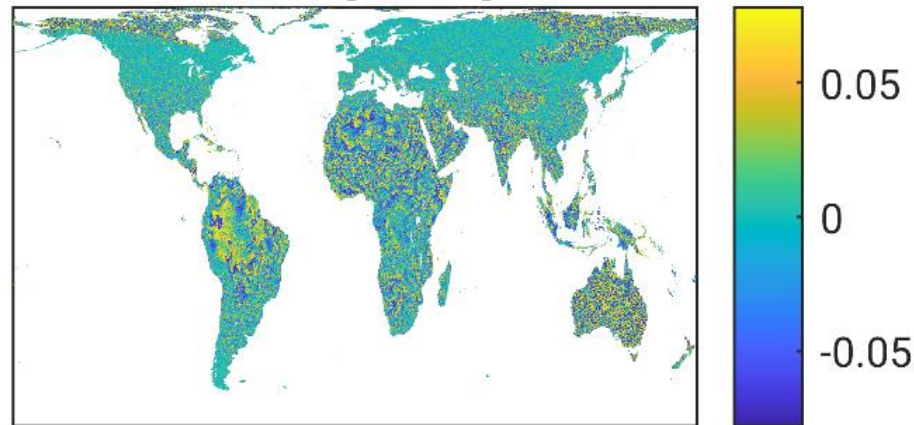


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min=-0.5315 max=0.4436

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EnBal [W/m2]



avg=0.0005 std=0.0461  
min=-0.5423 max=0.4445

Works in offline (land-only) simulations.

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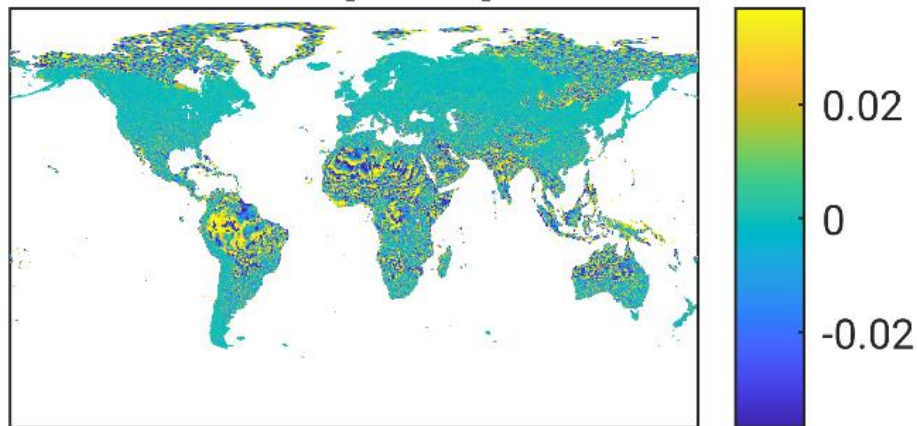
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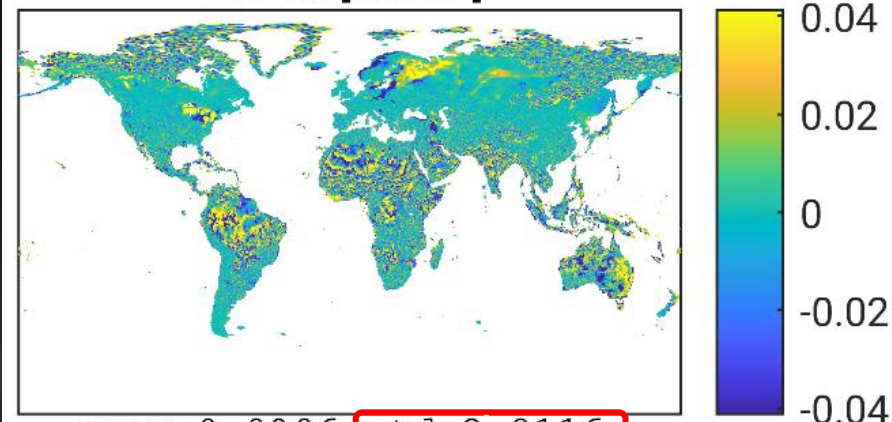


avg=0.0007 std=0.0198  
min=-0.1341 max=0.1548

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avg=-0.0906 std=2.8116  
min=-455.7357 max=1.1524

Similar result for M21C cube-sphere and M2 lat/lon output.

Does **NOT** work in GCM!!!



# Land Energy Budget



- In GCM only, after call to catchment(), “accounting” terms are applied to LH and evap components.
- LHACC and EVACC are not export specs.
- Note asymmetric application of “accounting” terms: `where (SUMEV>0.)`

```
if (CATCH_INTERNAL_STATE%CATCH_OFFLINE == 0) then

!amm add correction term to latent heat diagnostics (HLATN is always allocated)
!   this will impact the export LHLAND

HLATN = HLATN - LHACC

! also add some portion of the correction term to evap from soil, int, veg and snow

SUMEV = EVPICE+EVPSOI+EVPVEG+EVPINT

where (SUMEV>0.)
  EVPICE = EVPICE - EVACC*EVPICE/SUMEV
  EVPSOI = EVPSOI - EVACC*EVPSOI/SUMEV
  EVPINT = EVPINT - EVACC*EVPINT/SUMEV
  EVPVEG = EVPVEG - EVACC*EVPVEG/SUMEV
endwhere
endif
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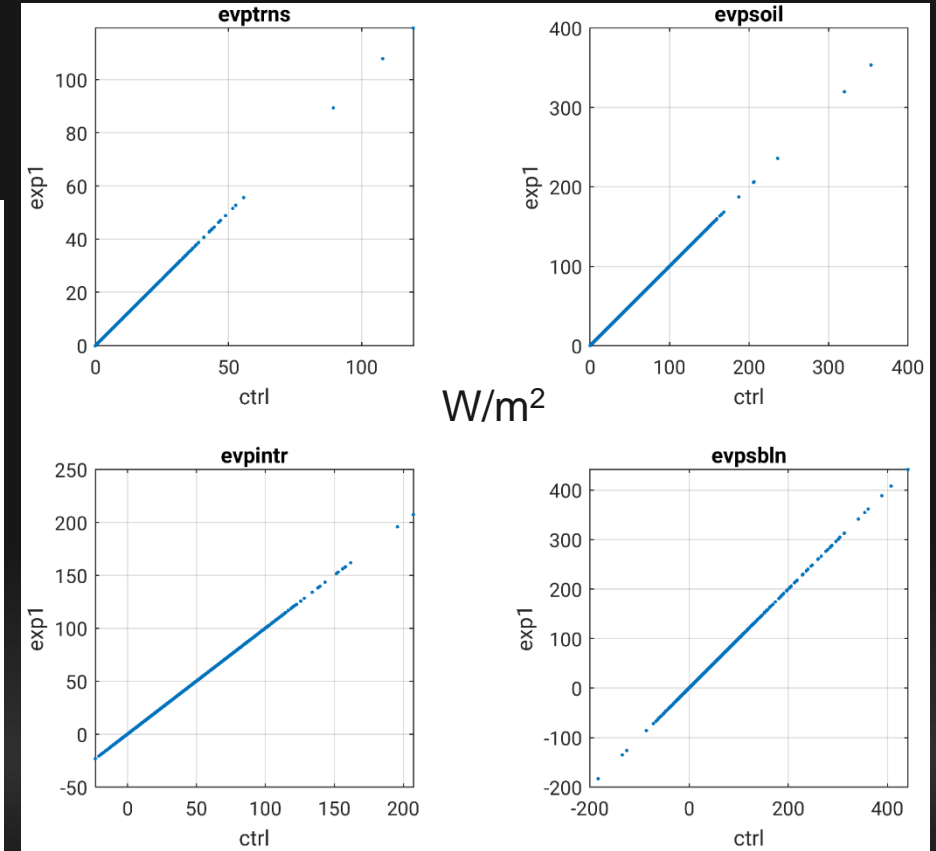
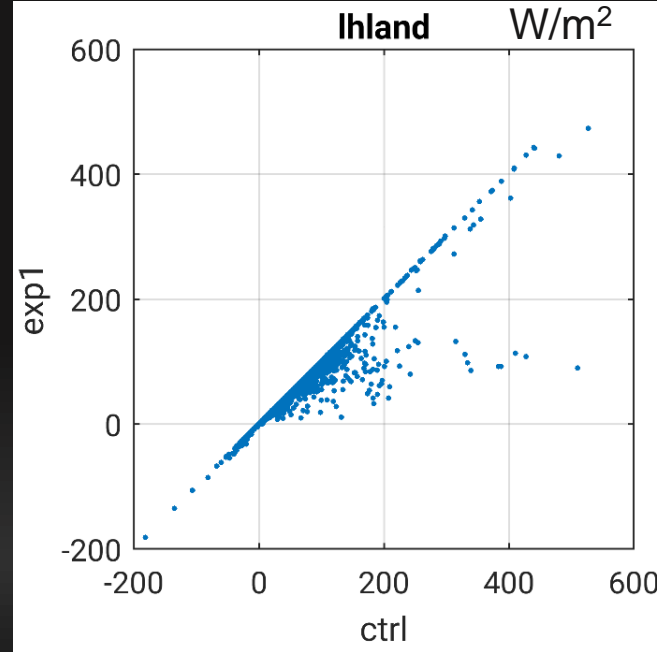


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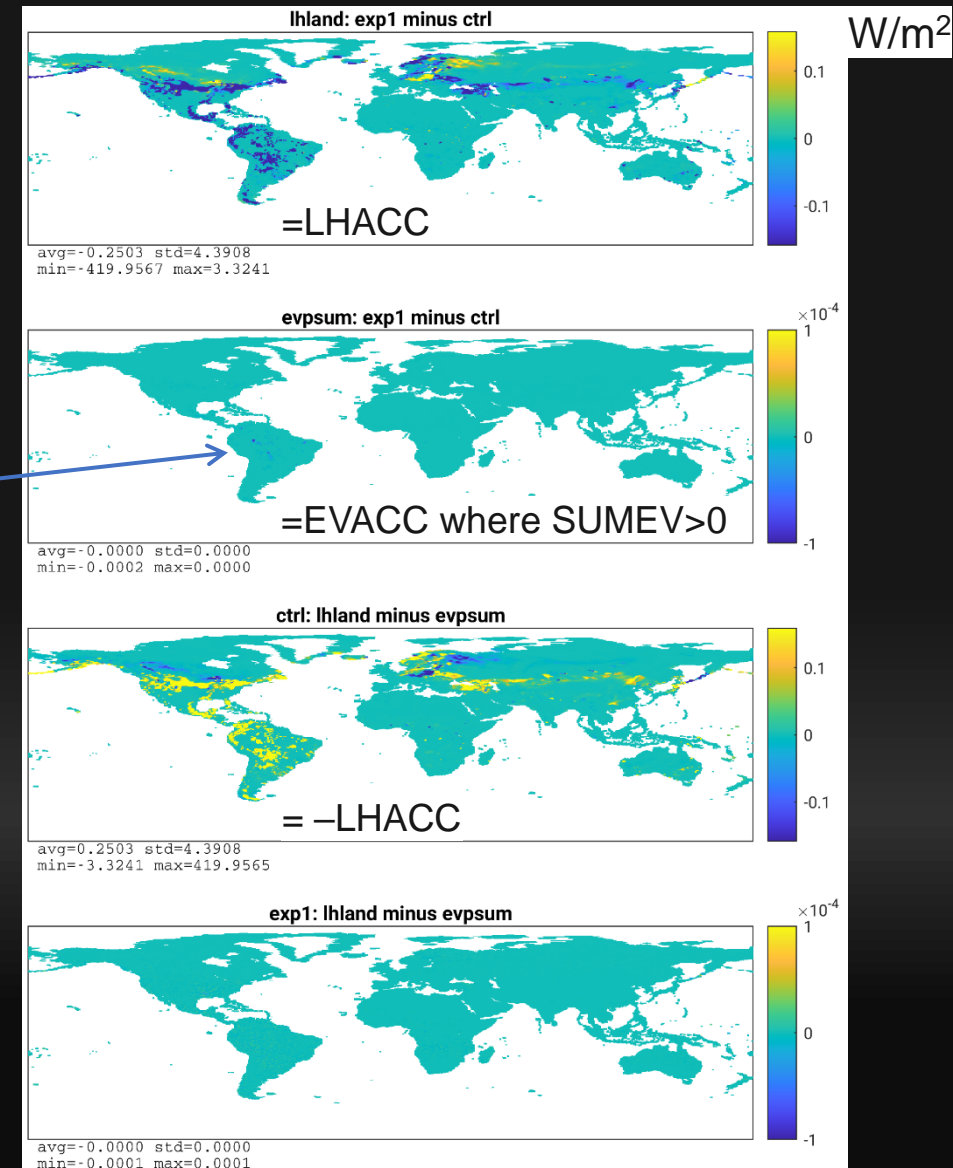
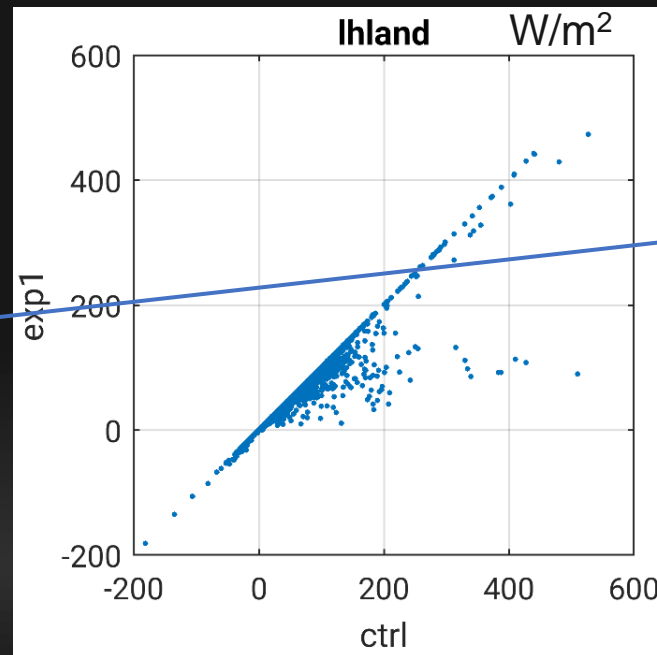


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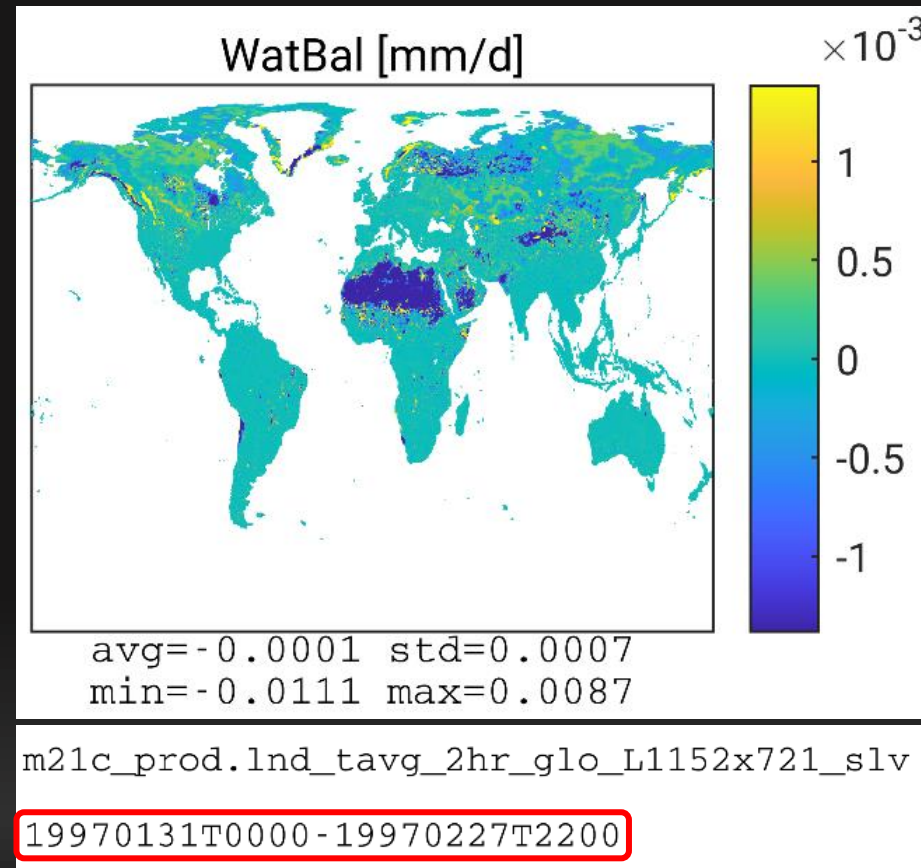
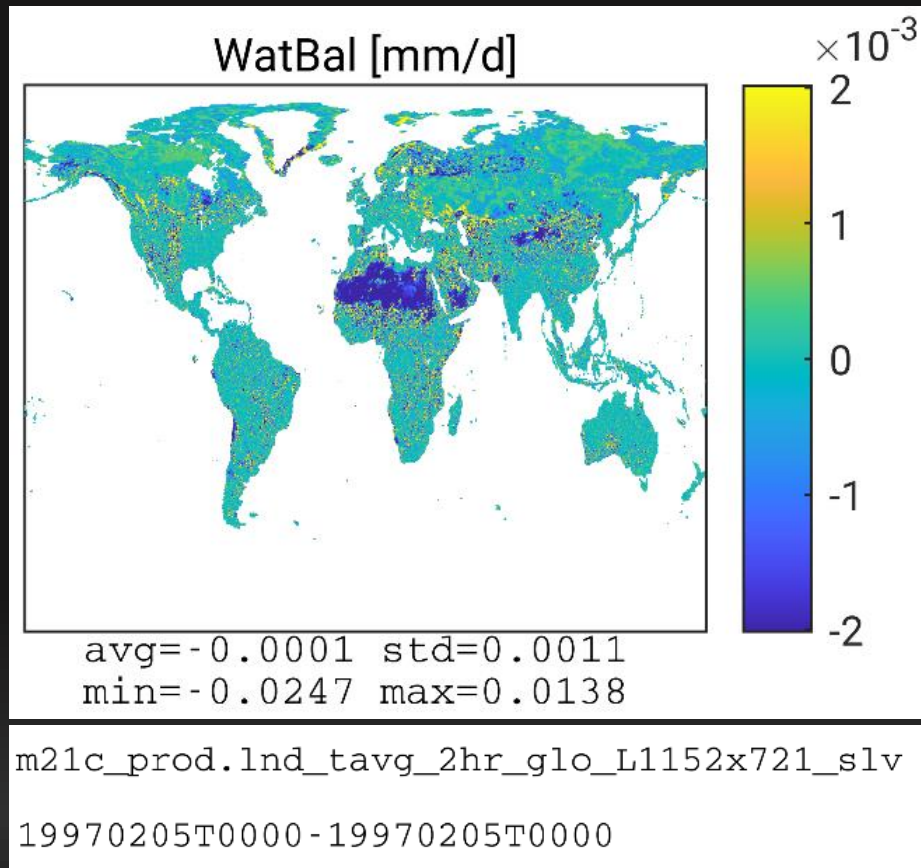
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# Single-Granule vs. Multi-Week Balance



- Spatial pattern of small residuals is persistent. Acceptable?
- Similar results for water balance of cs “lnd” output and for energy balance (not shown).

# Summary



- For brevity, variable names in this presentation were shortened from M21C names.
- No bit shaving in “Ind” collection.
- Water and energy balance equations in M2 File Specs are wrong and need to be corrected!
- Corrected balance equations apply equally to M2 and M21C.
- In the GCM, LHLAND is **not** equal to the sum of the EVP\* component fluxes!  
Why are “accounting” terms applied? Source code modifications may be needed.
- Spatial pattern of balance residuals is persistent. Acceptable?
- A very minor residual energy balance error may exist in M2 and M21C (“snow mass-limited sublimation from top snow layer”). This error may never happen. If it does, it is expected to be tiny. This will be further examined in [GEOSgcm\\_GridComp PR#956](#).