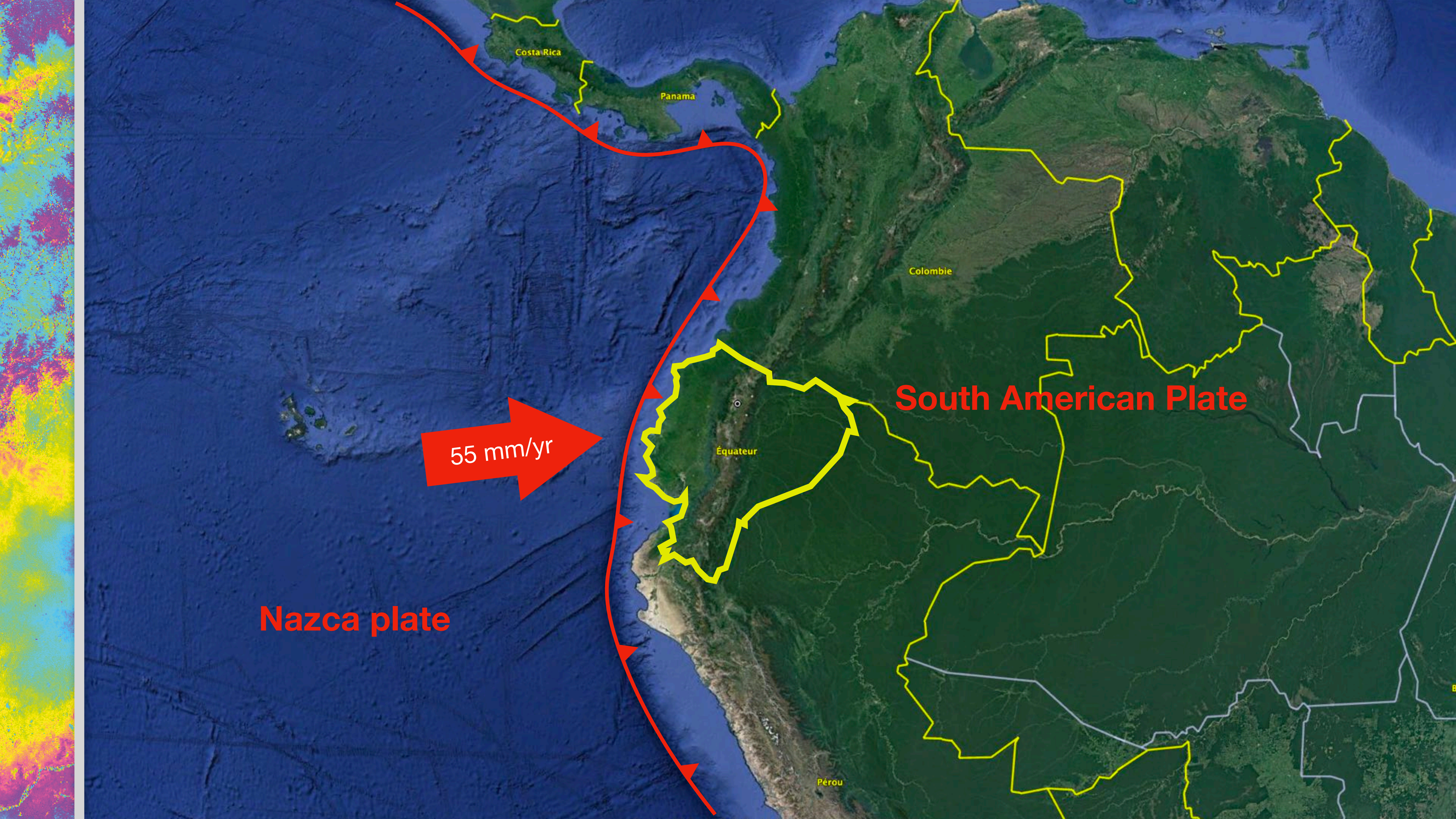




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Colombie

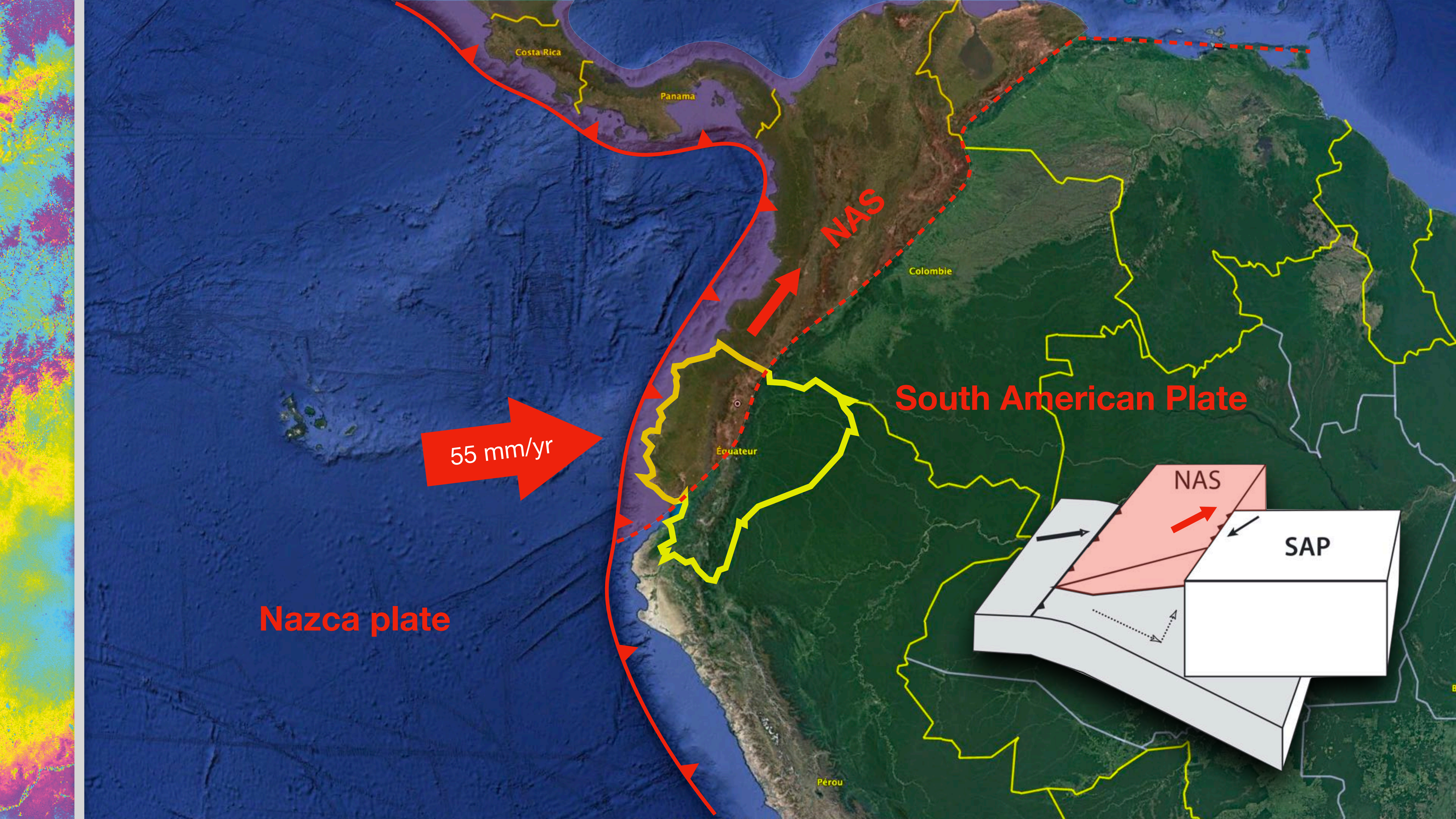
South American Plate

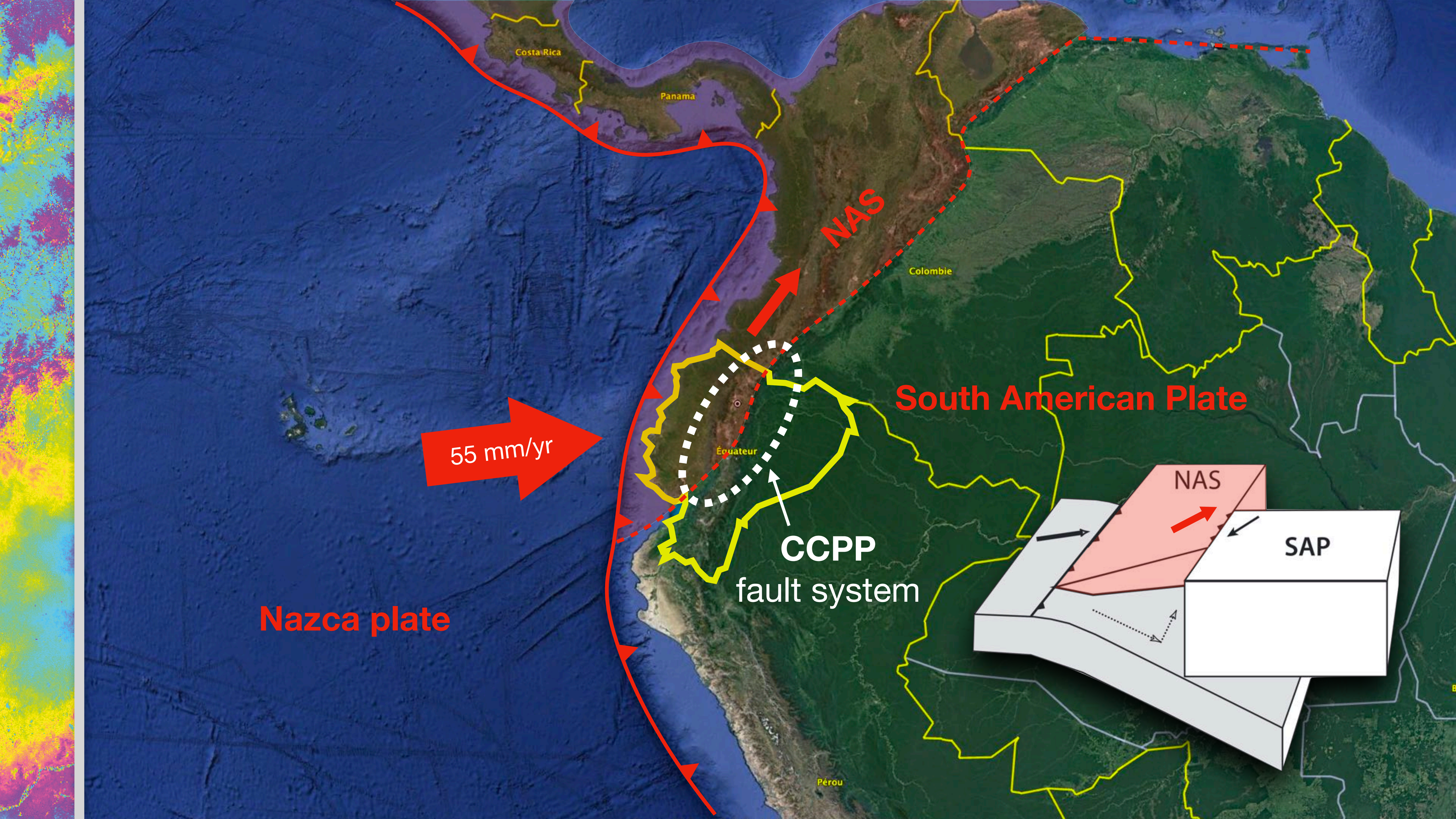
55 mm/yr

Équateur

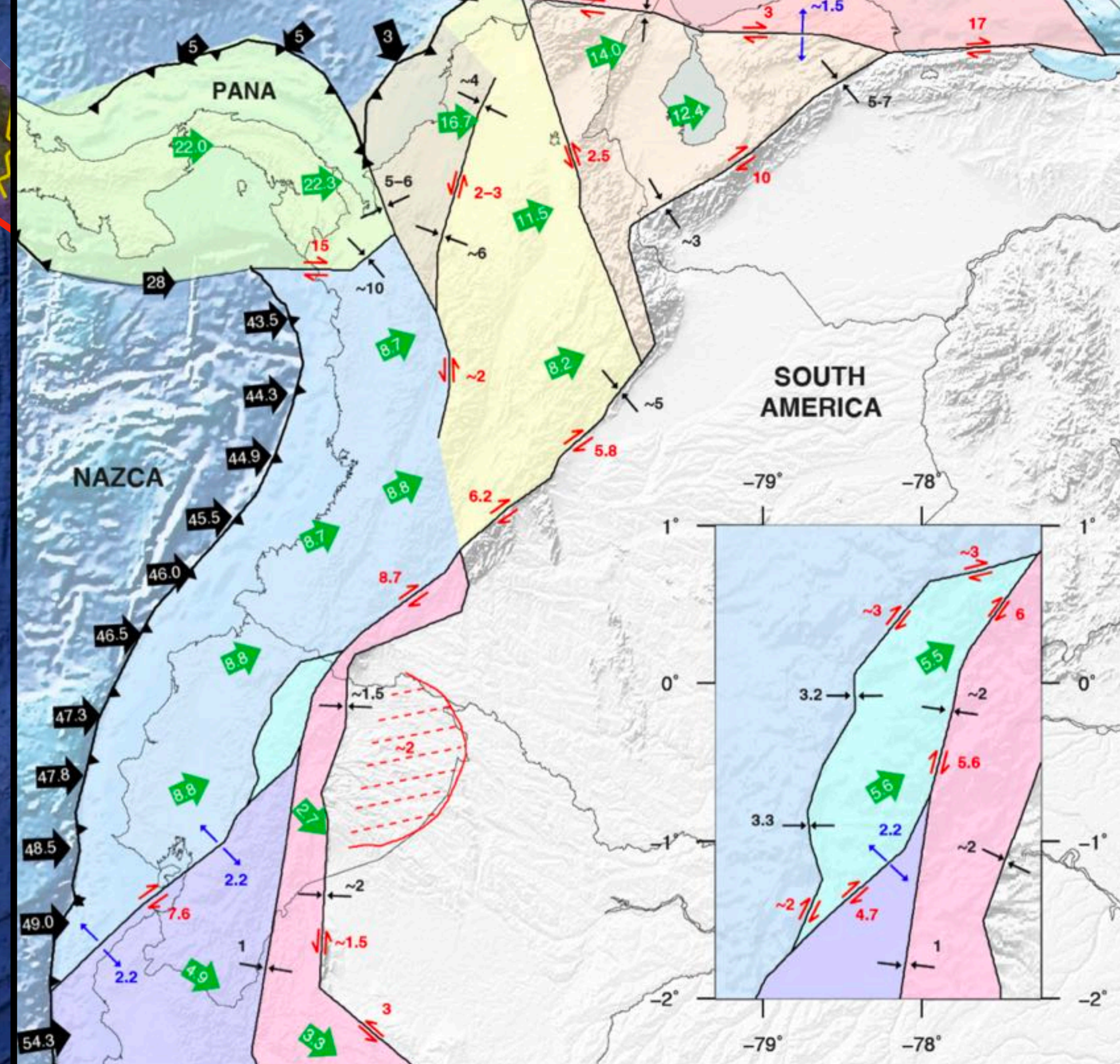
Nazca plate

Pérou





**Block model
derived from GNSS
(Jarrin et al., 2023)**



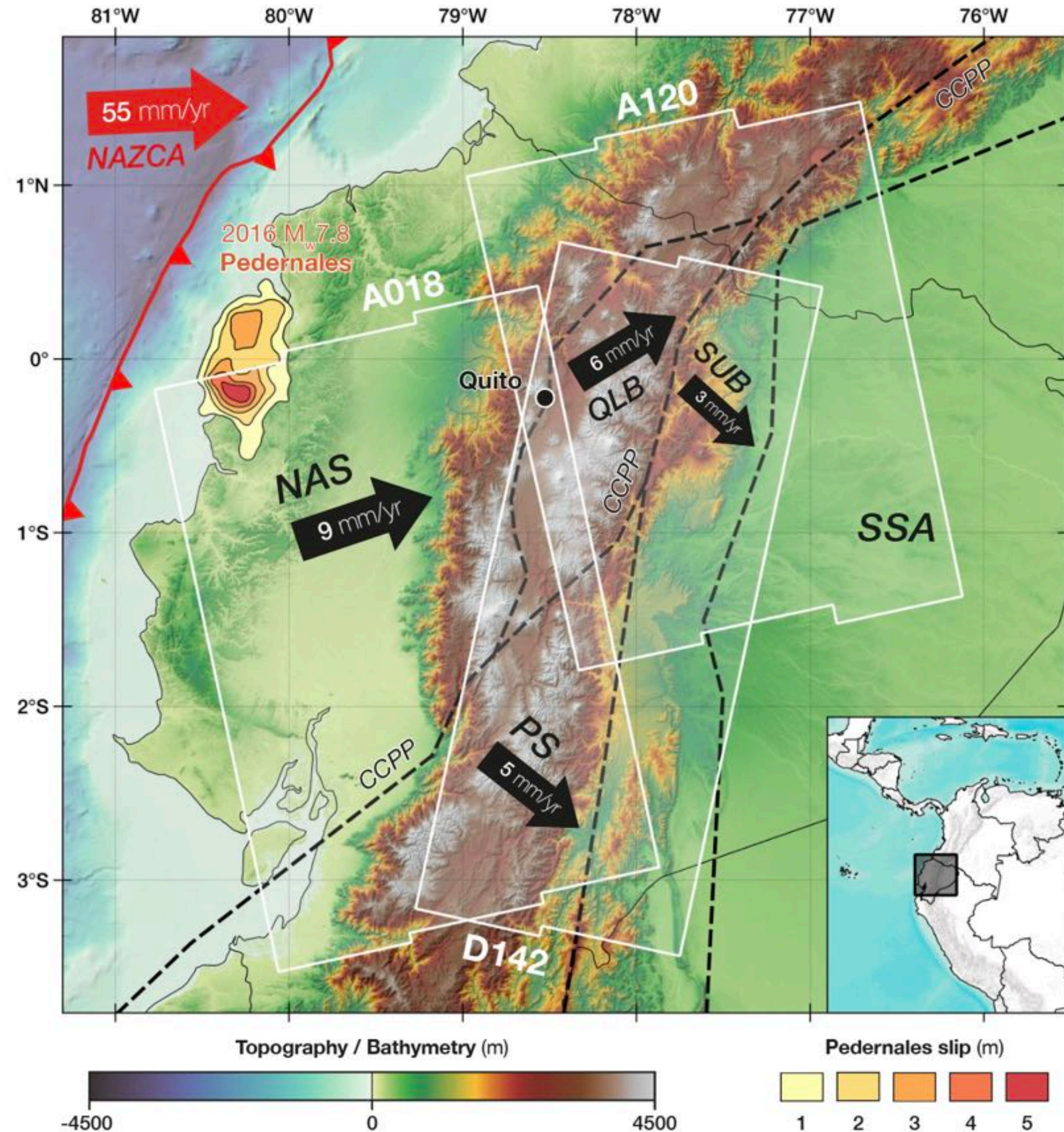


A challenging question...

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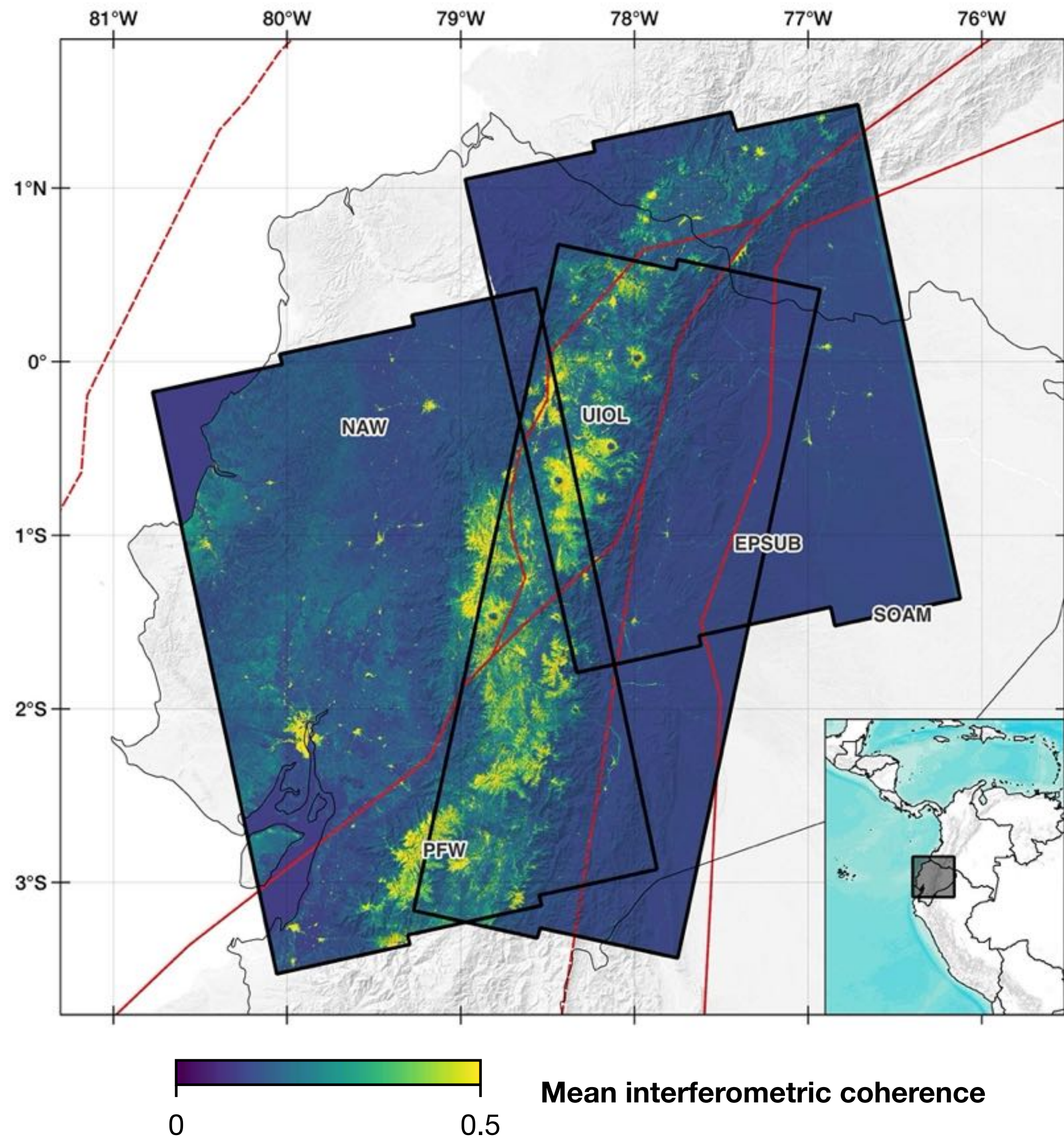
- ▶ Strong topography and elevation gradients
- ▶ Dense vegetation in lowlands: Equatorial forest
- ▶ Cultivated lands even at high altitudes
- ▶ Subduction events
- ▶ Small deformation rates: ~3-5 mm/yr expected in the Line-Of-Sight

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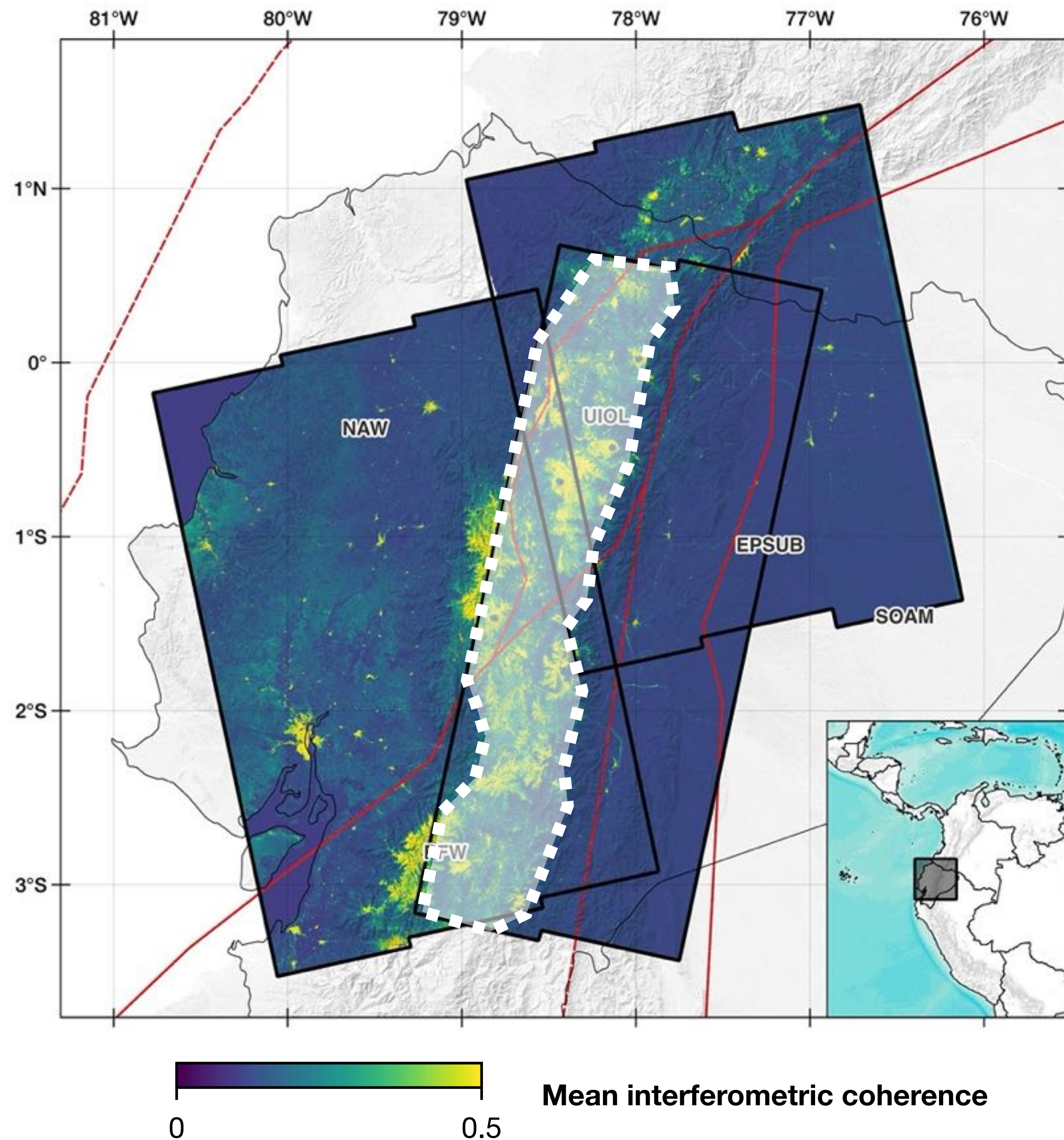


- ▶ **3 tracks processed:**
 - 2 ascending
 - 1 descending
- ▶ **Full archive:**
 - 2014-2022
 - ~ 8 years
 - 200-300 acquisitions

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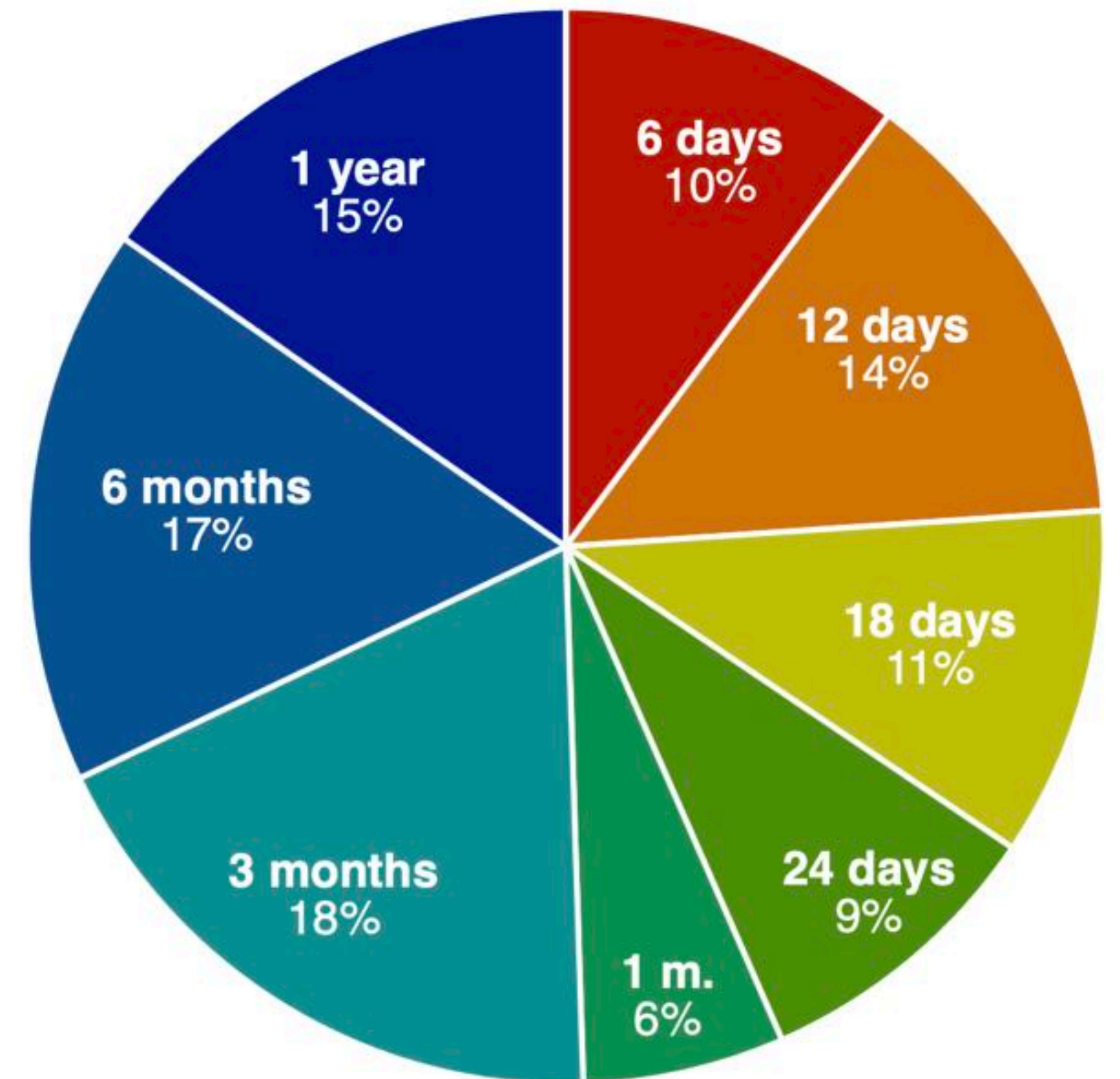
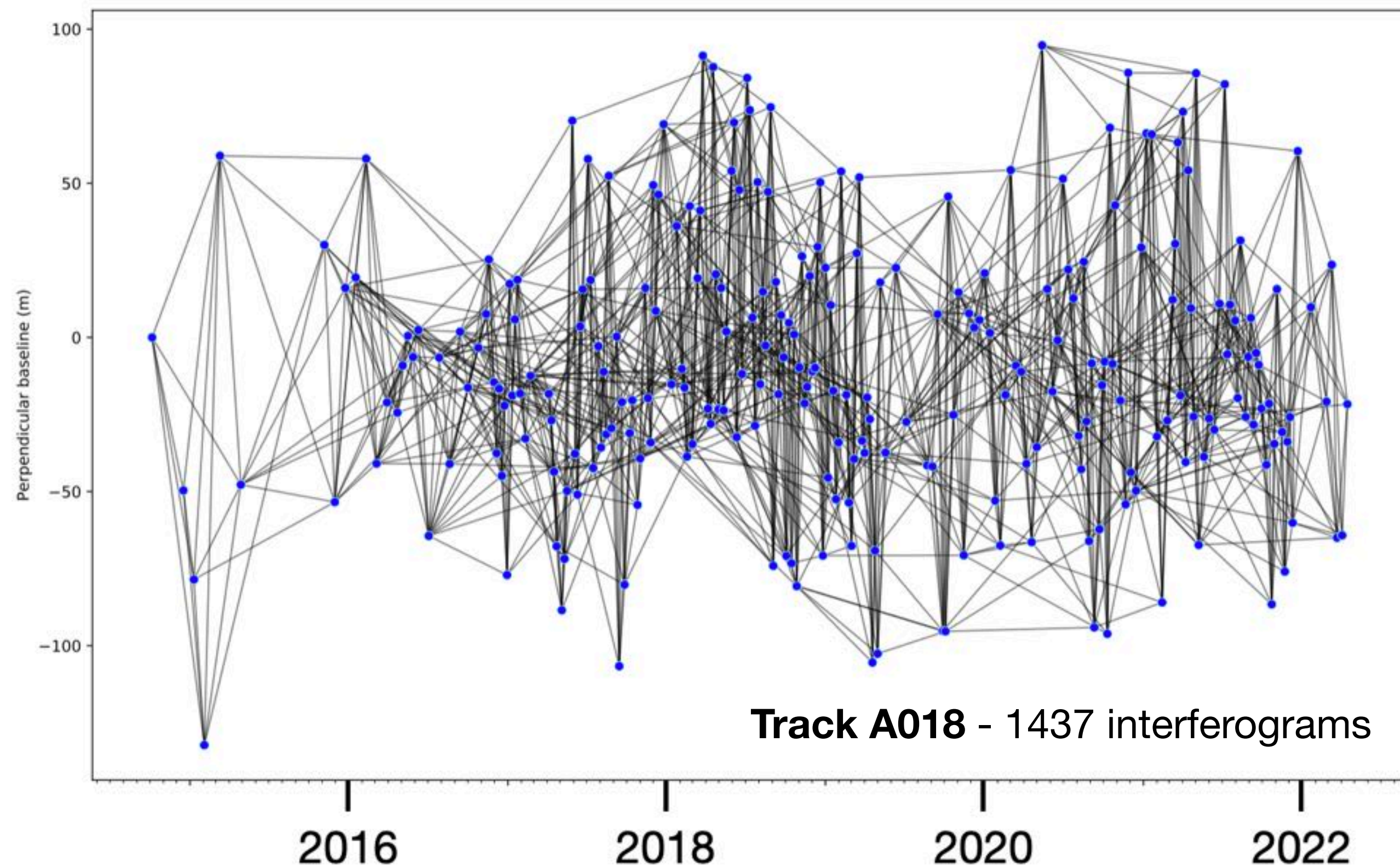
► **Area with results:**

2 viewing geometries
+ sufficient coherence
to unwrap 1 year
interferograms
(\Leftrightarrow *elevation > 2000-2500 m*)

► **100 x 400 km area**

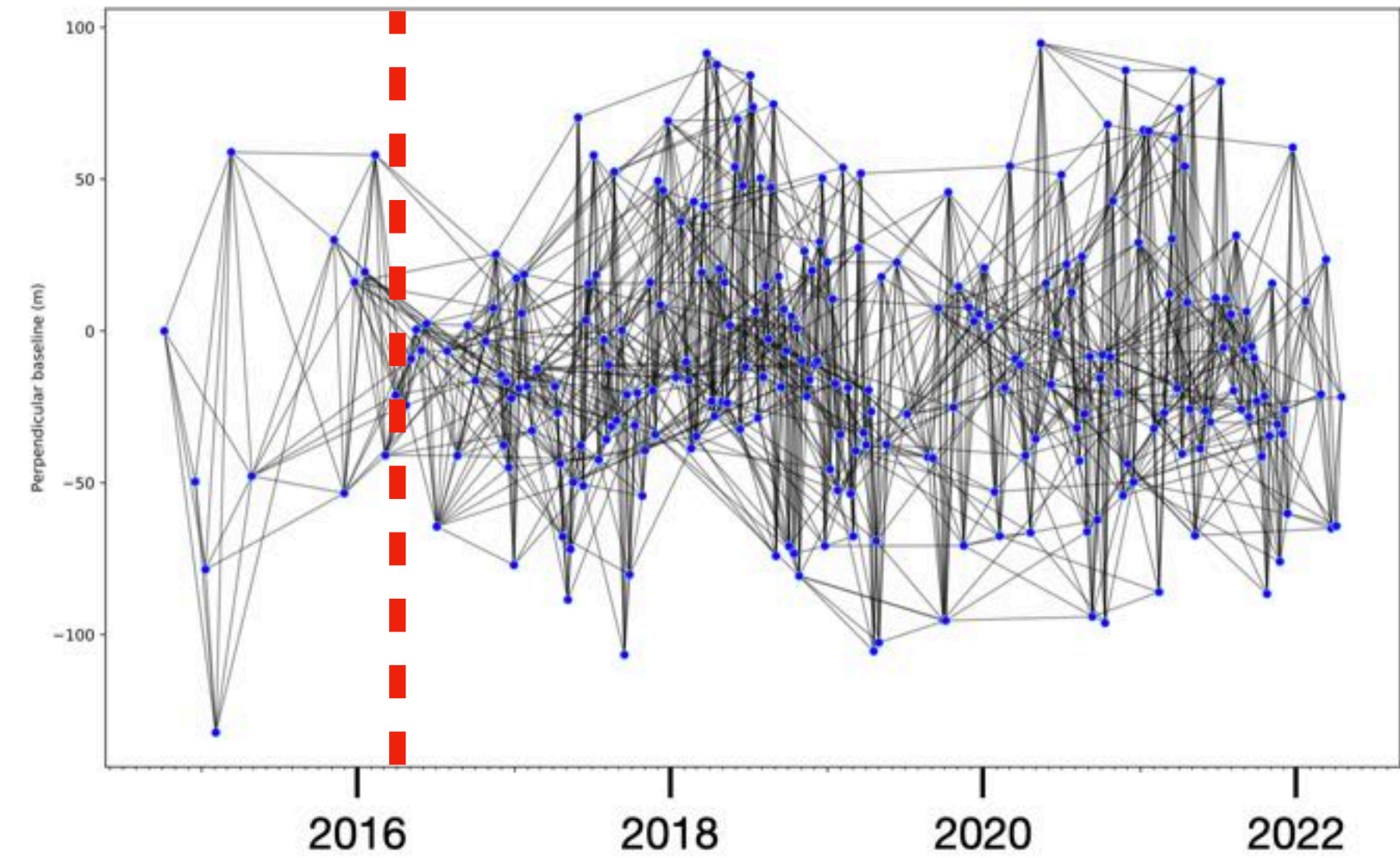
Interferogram networks

- ▶ SBAS strategy: NSBAS processing chain (*Doin et al., 2011*)
- ▶ About half of *long temporal baseline* interferograms to reduce fading signals

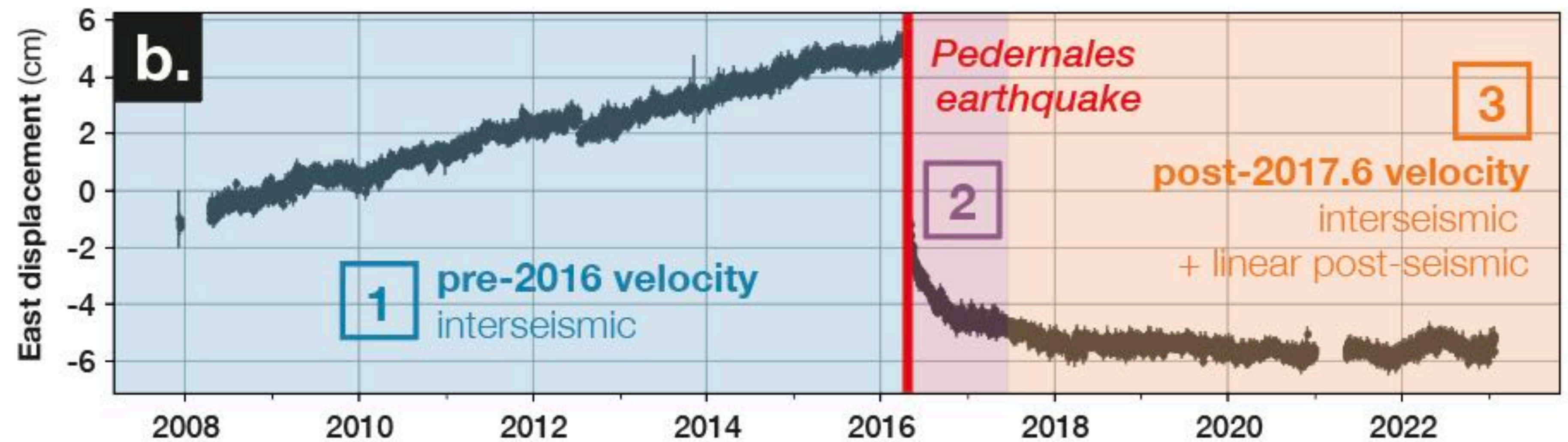


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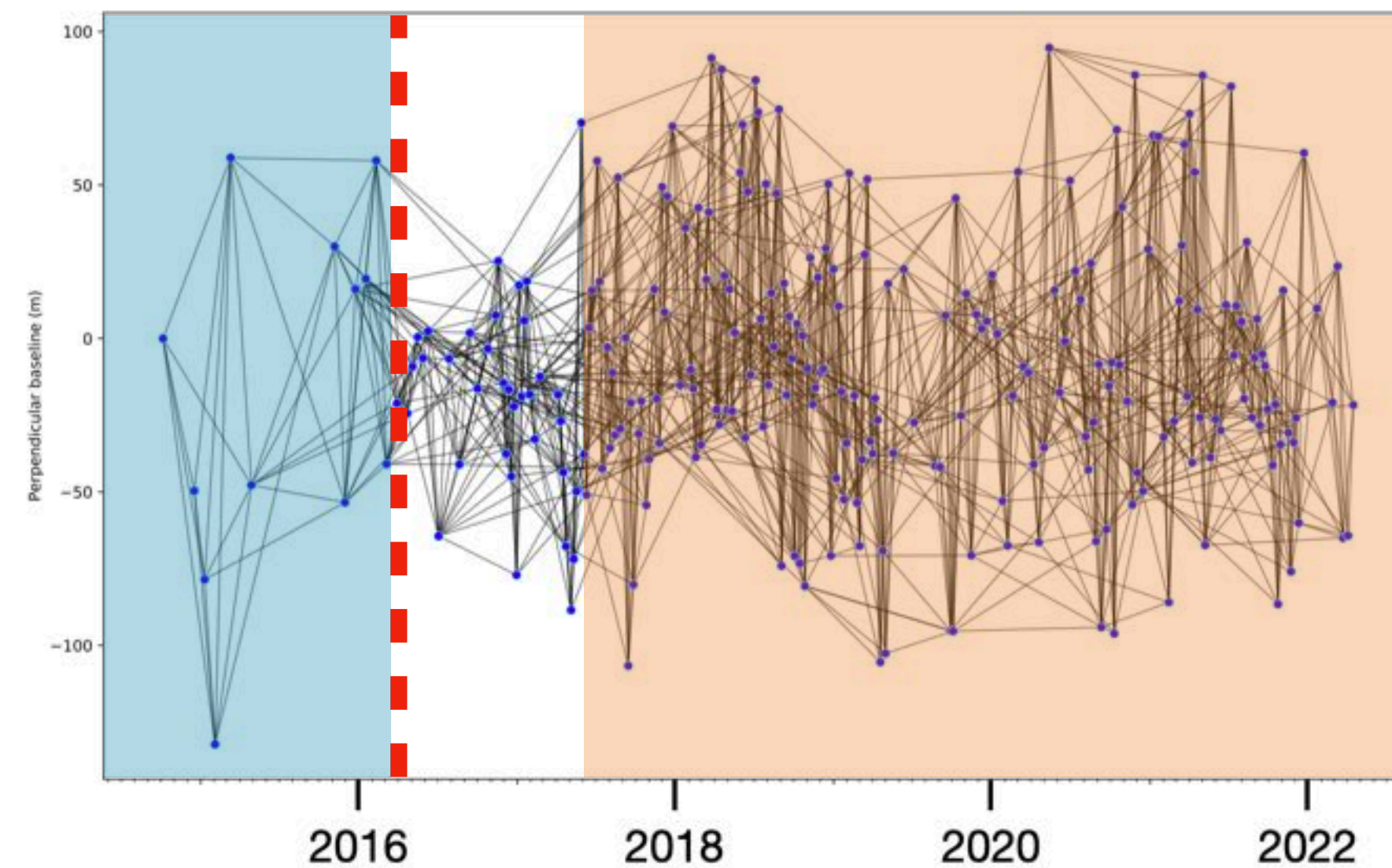


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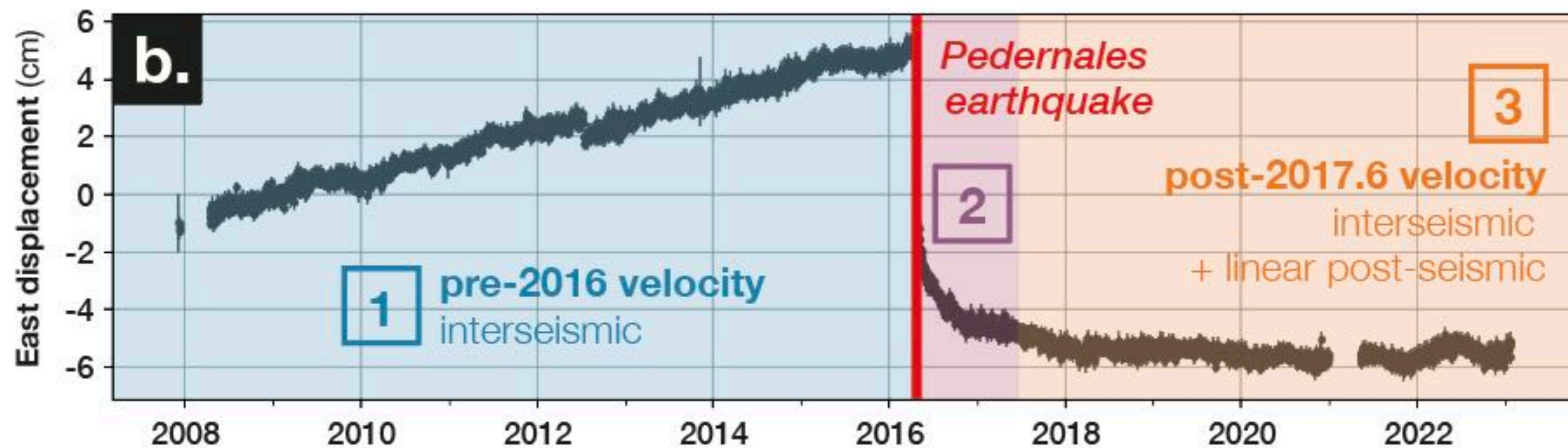


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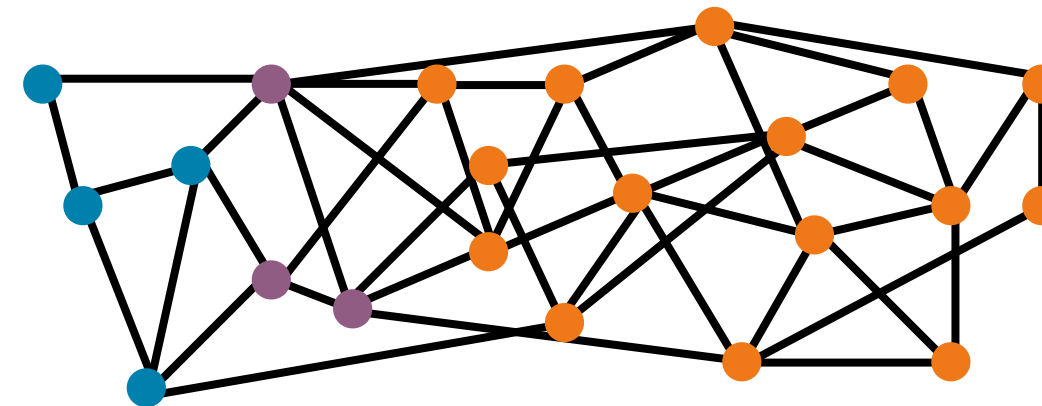
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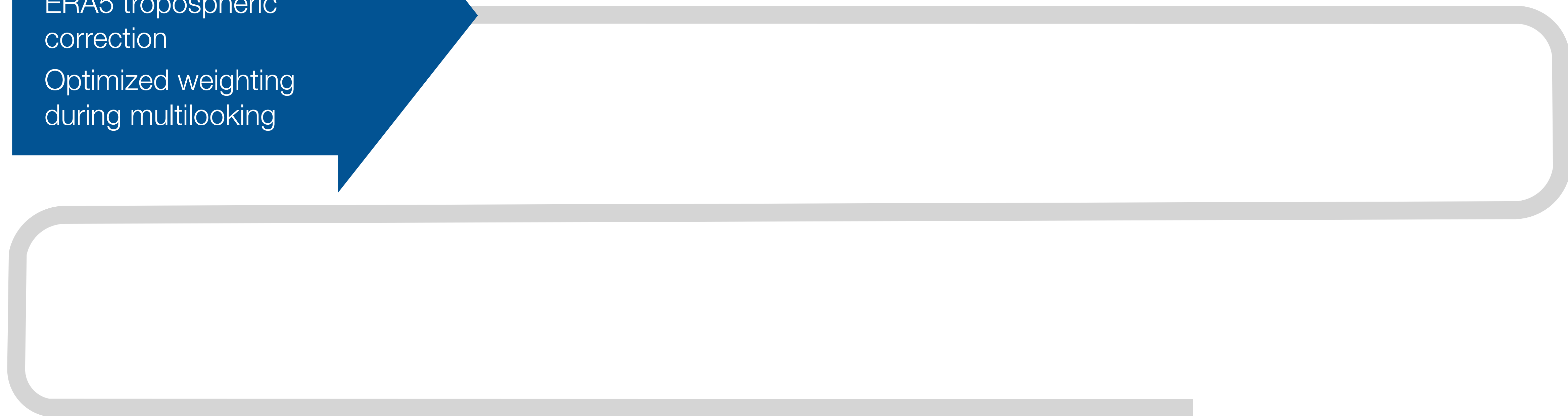
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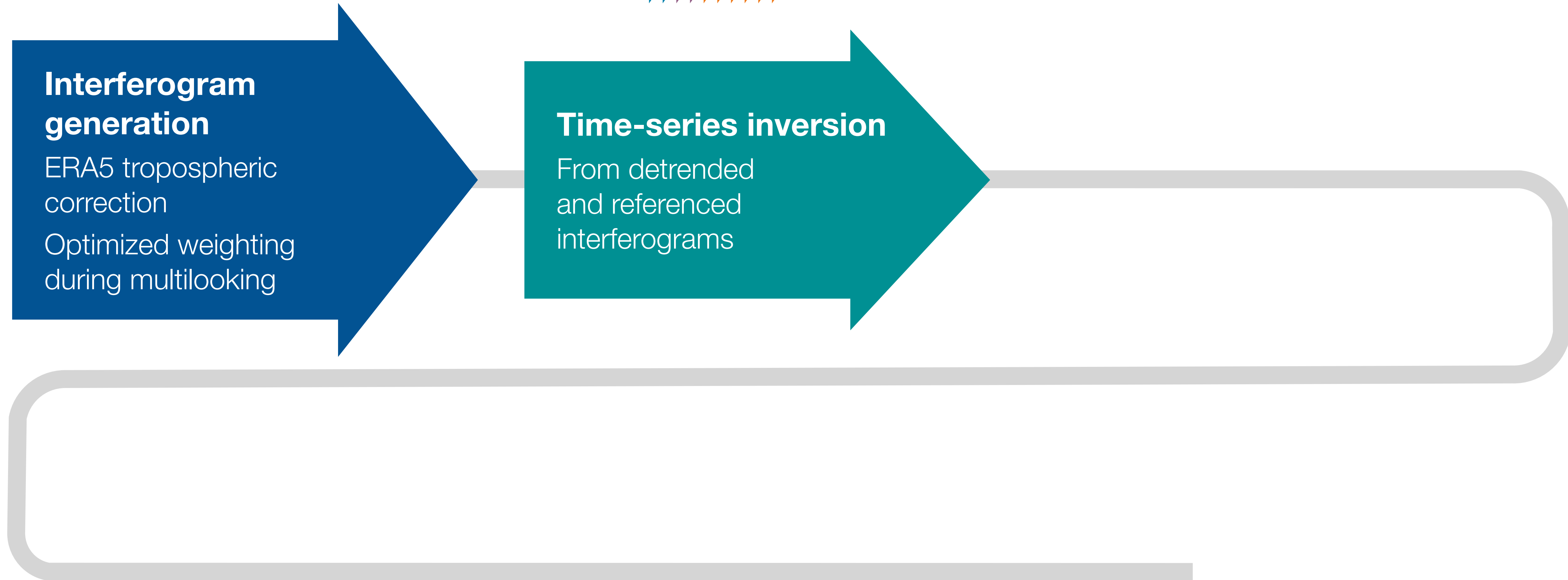
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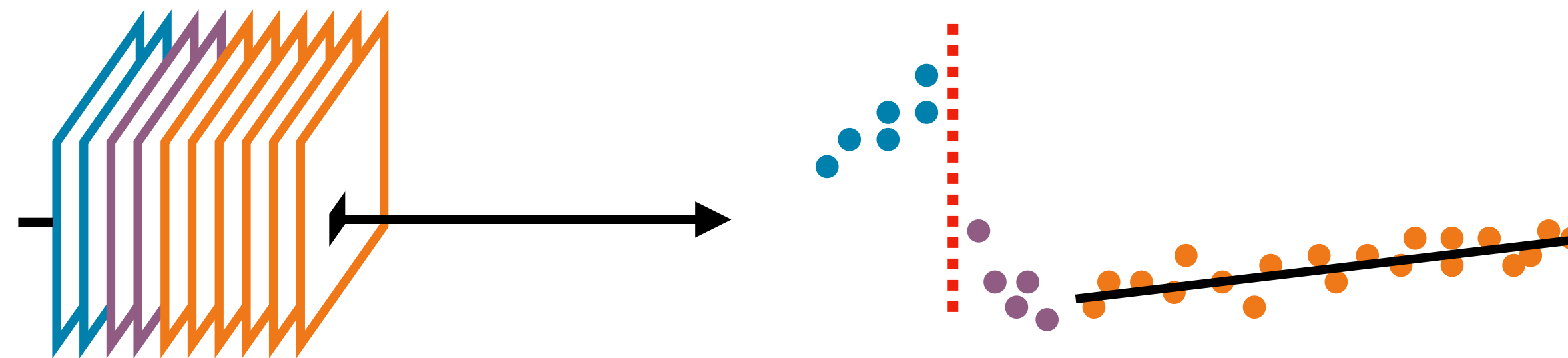
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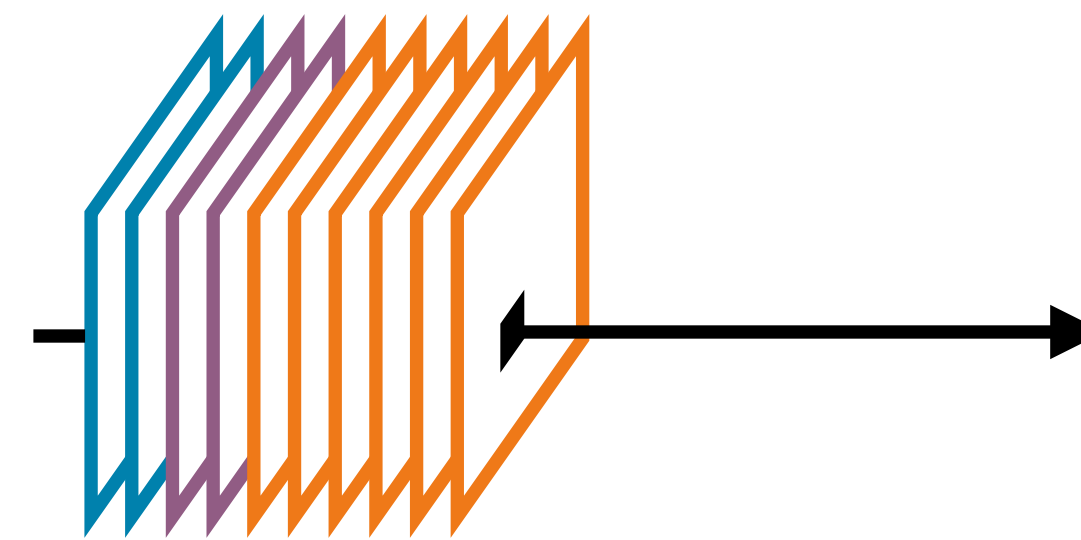
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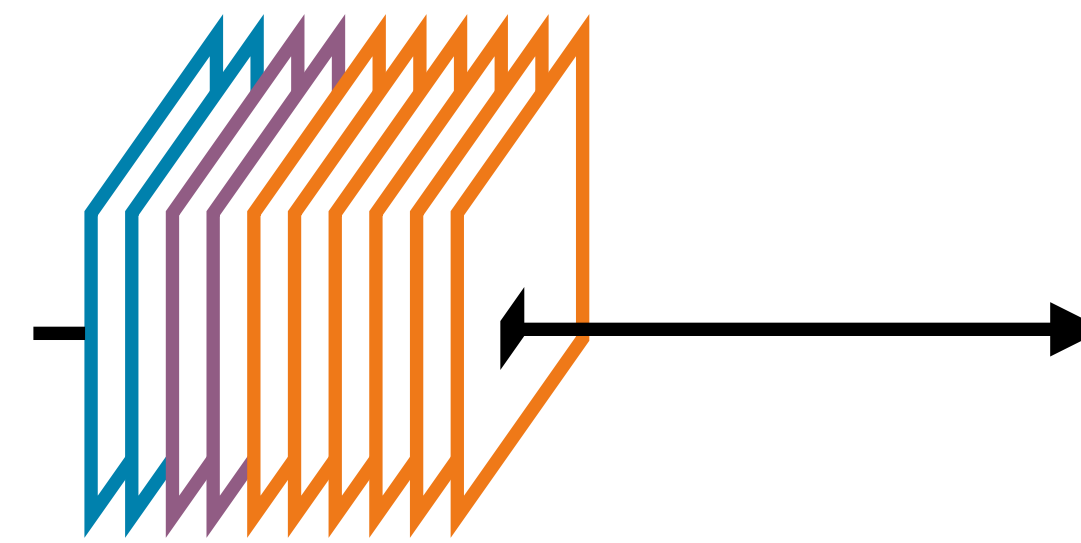
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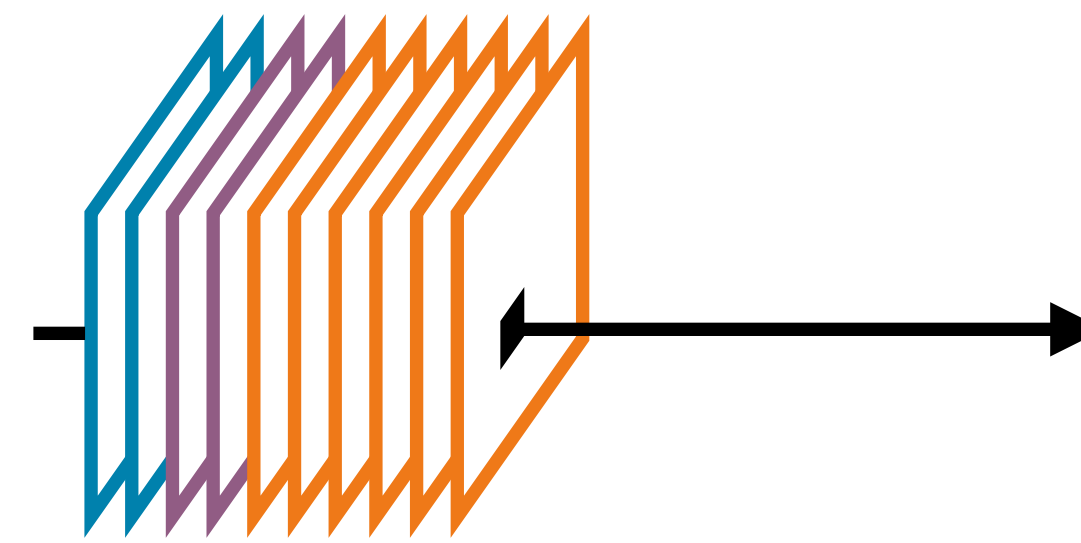
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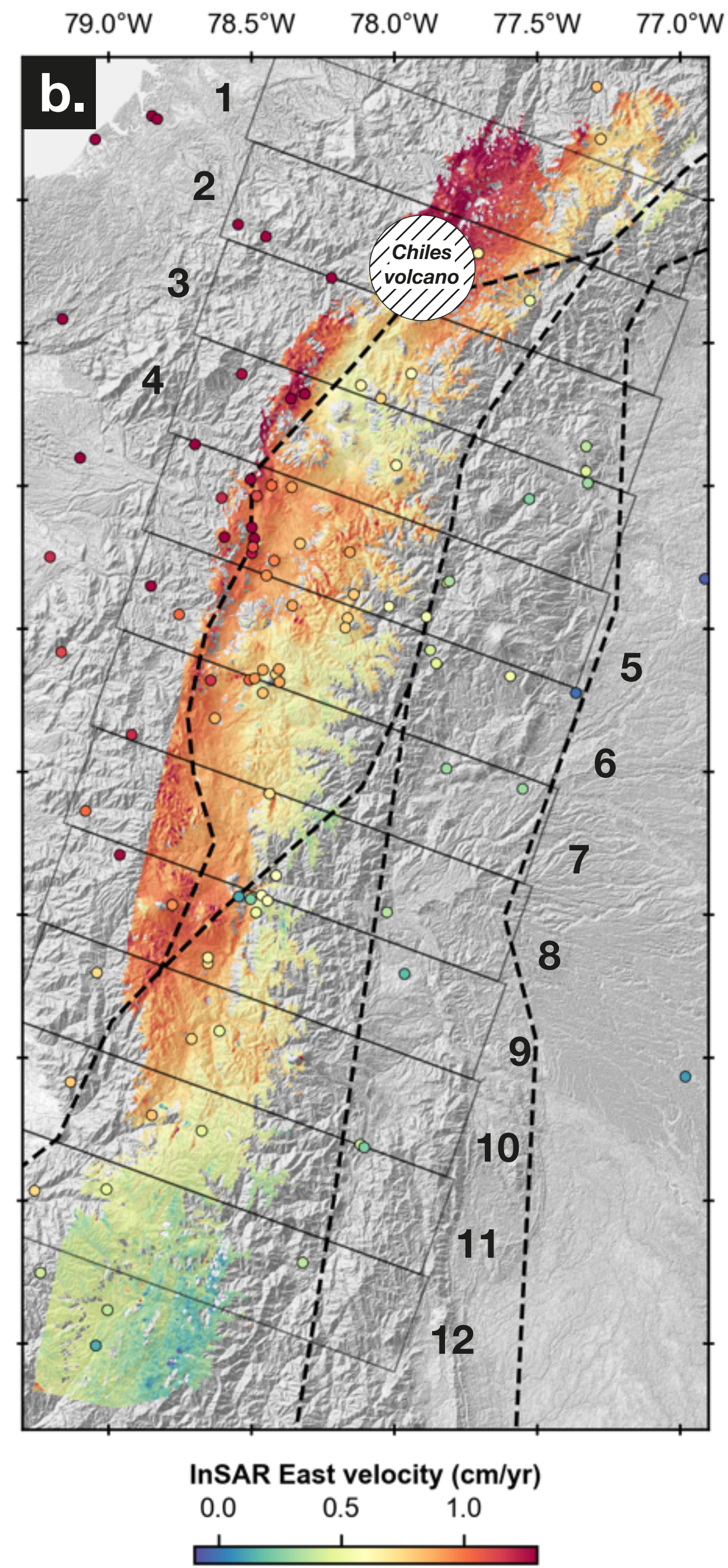
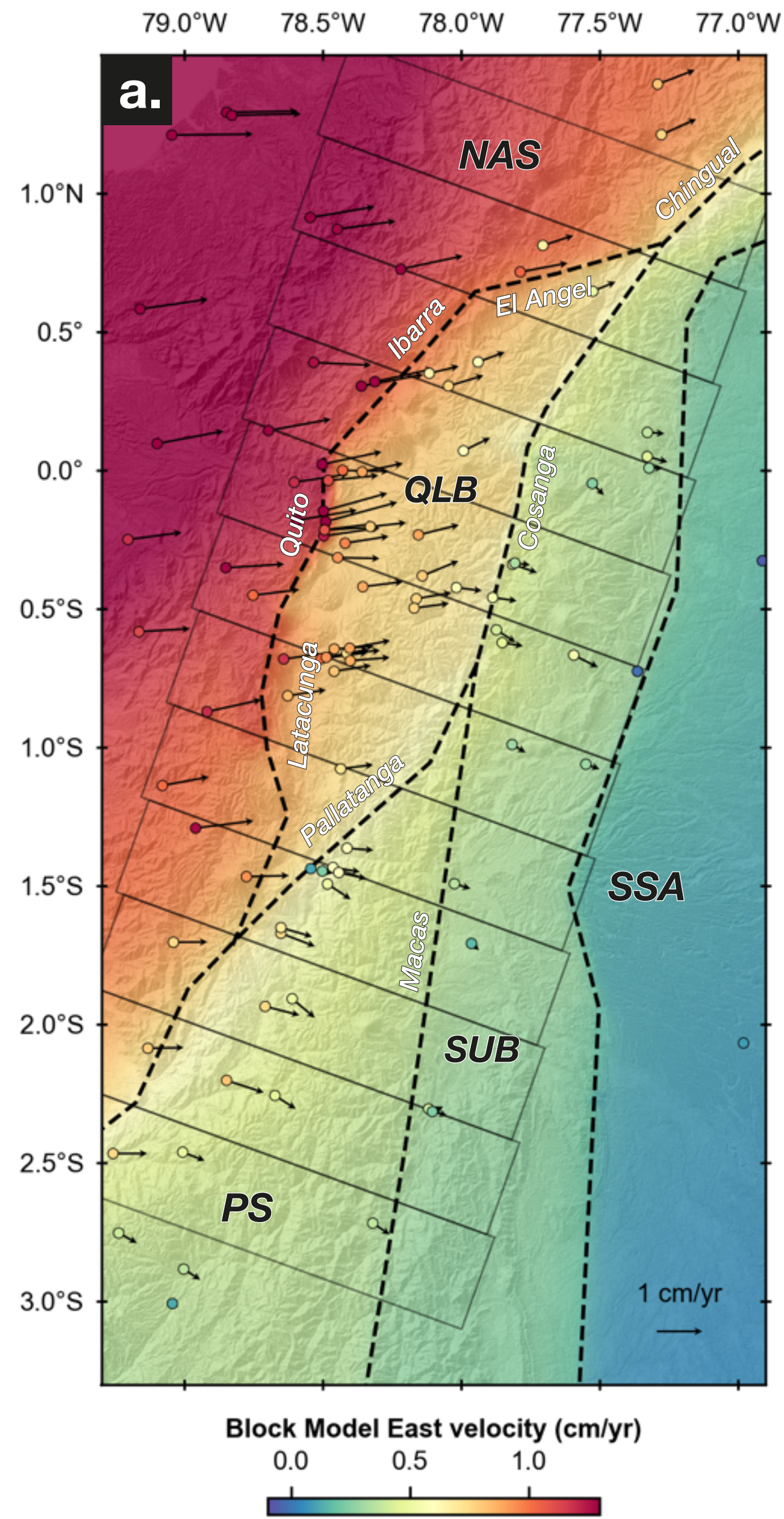
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Correction of post-seismic deformation

Using interpolated GNSS post-seismic velocity field

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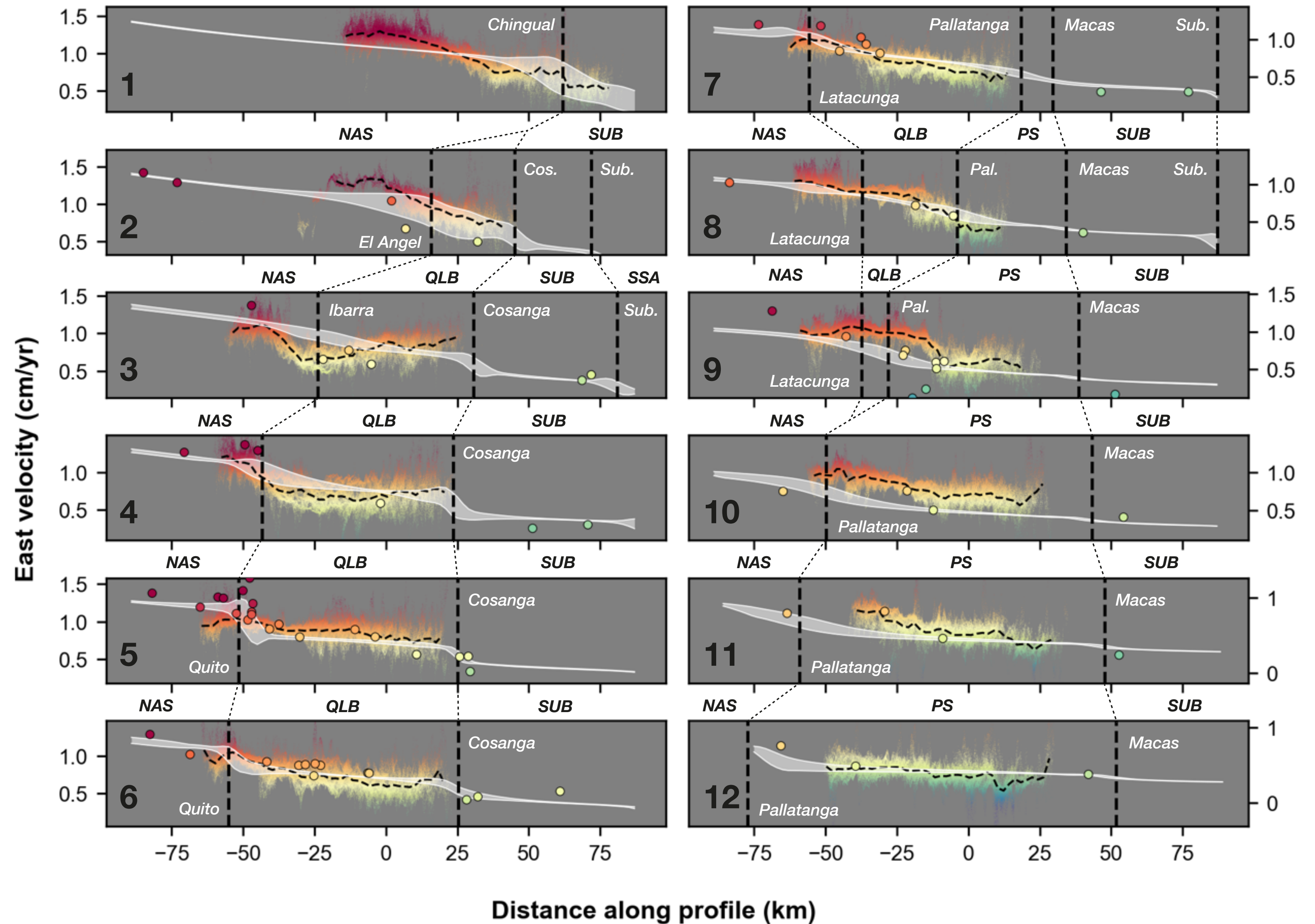
Block model prediction
(Jarrin et al., 2023)



Our East velocity map

Results

- ▶ Overall good agreement
- ▶ Some inconsistencies reveal the too simplistic faults geometries used in the block model, or the lack of knowledge on their coupling



Conclusion

- ▶ We produced the first InSAR velocity map of the Ecuador-Colombia cordilleras using Sentinel-1 data.
- ▶ We developed a strategy to correct the velocity maps from the post-seismic effect of the 2016 Mw7.8 Pedernales earthquake using interpolated GNSS data
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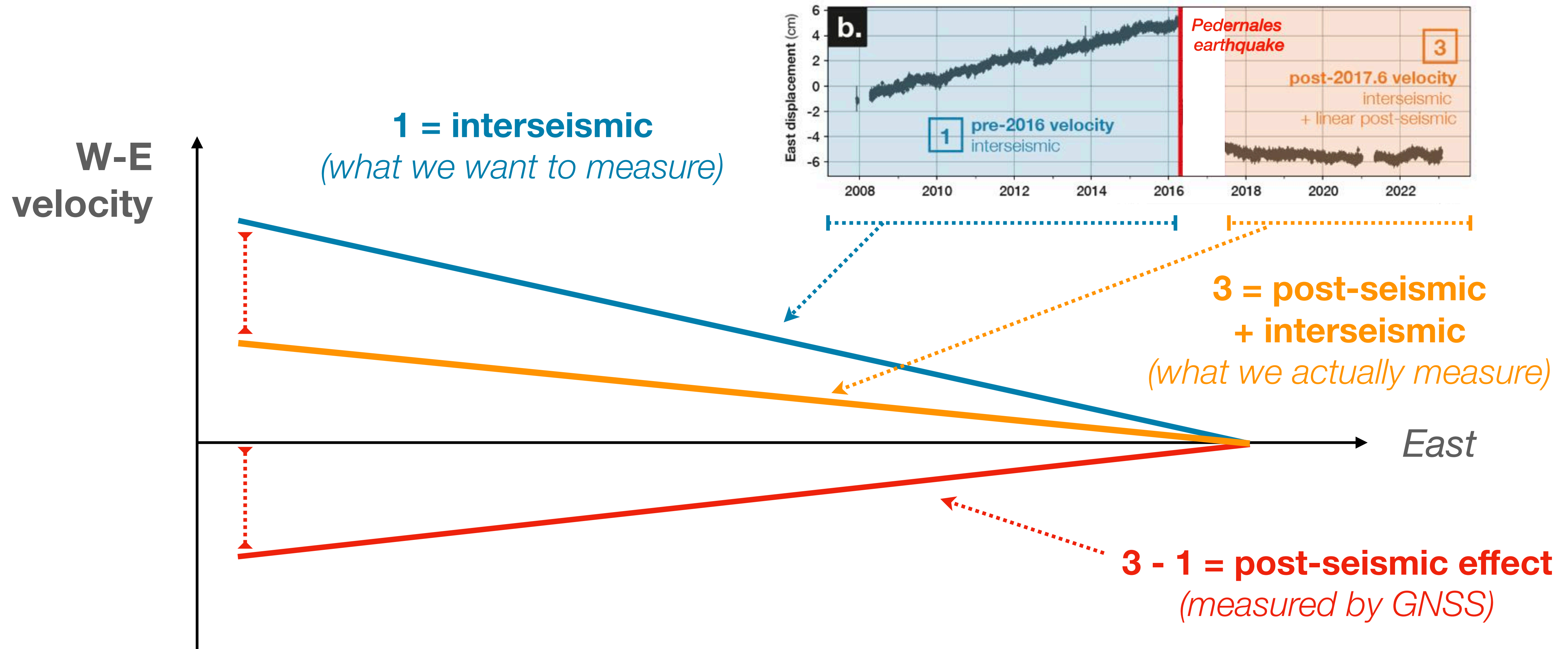


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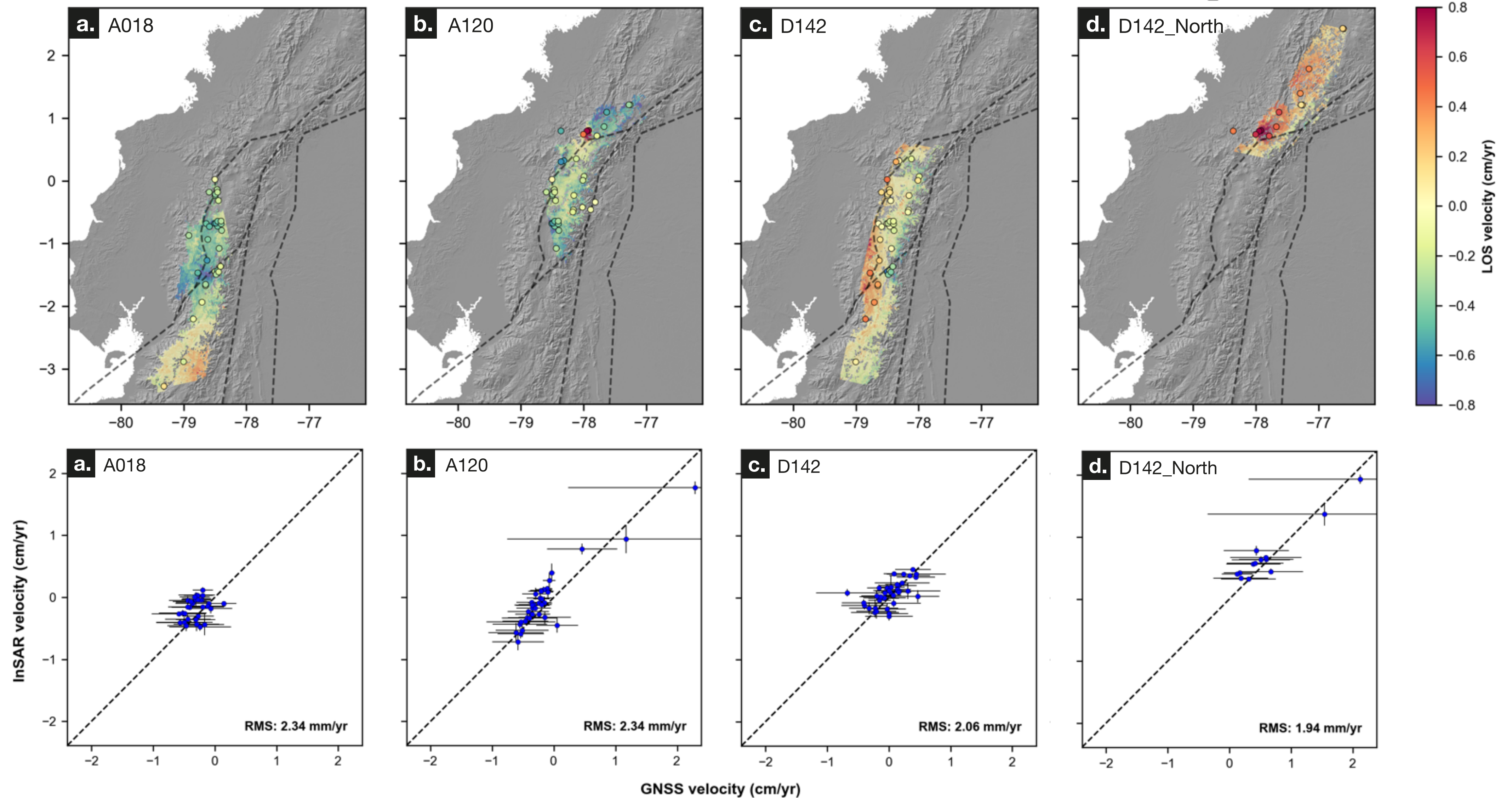


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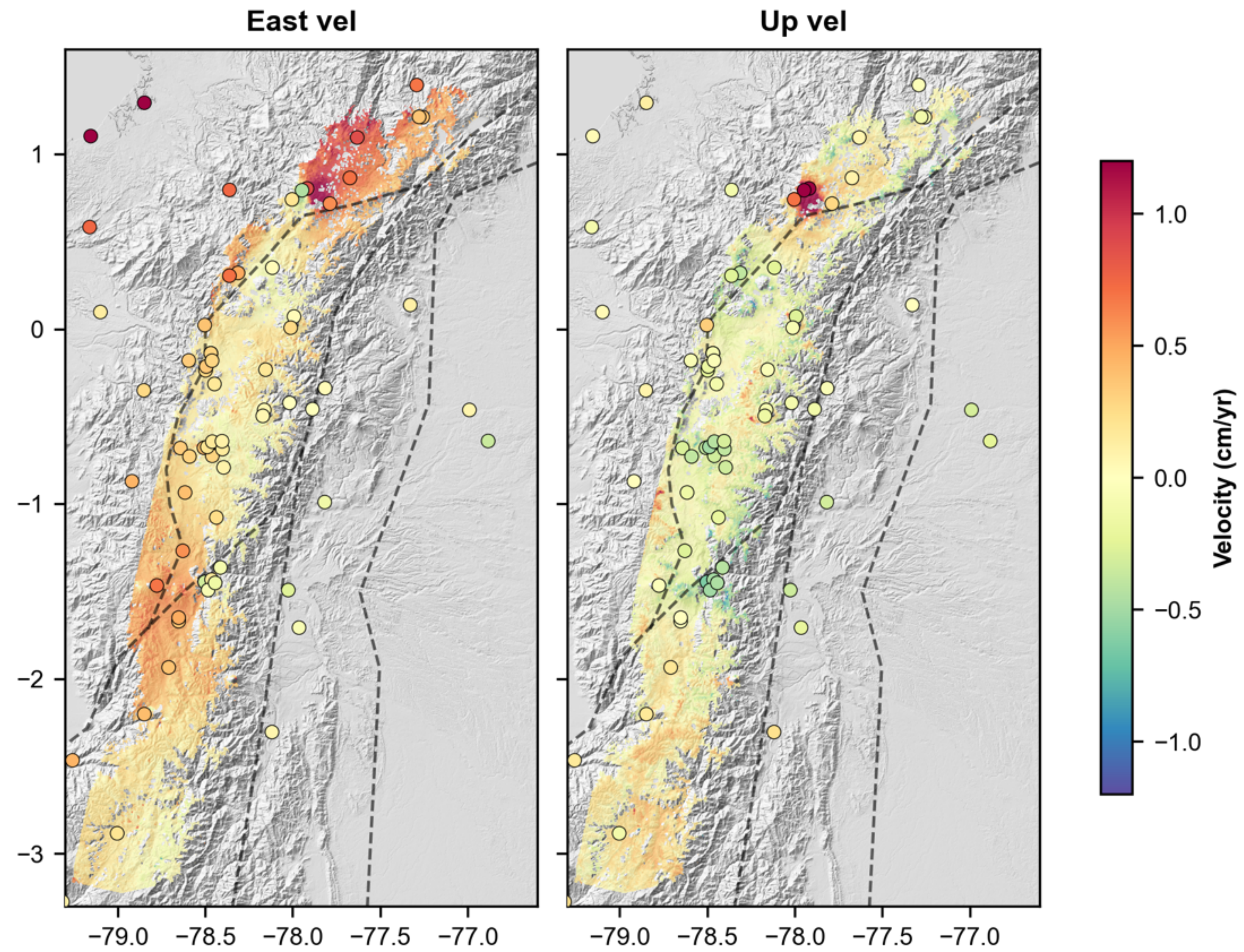


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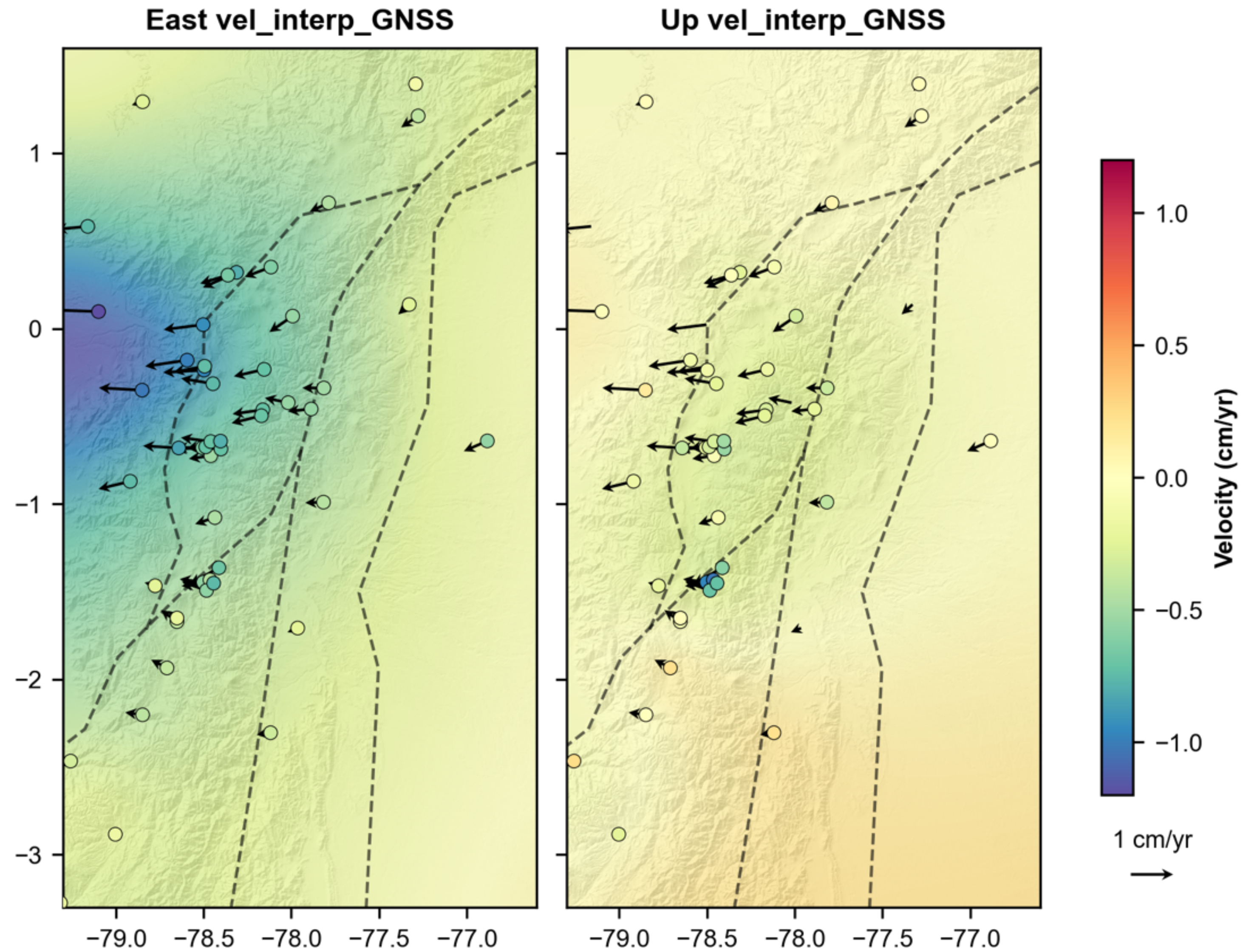
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