Estimating Wetland Extent, Distribution and Seasonality

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Microwave estimated inundation:

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Prigent et al., 2007



seasonal L5 (1m) soil moisture

















General, direct parameterization:









Discharge $Q_i = A_i R$

$$Q_i = L_i T_i i_i$$
$$Q_i = L_i T_i \tan(\beta_i)$$

 $Q = \text{discharge } [m^3 / s]$ $A = \text{upstream area } [m^2]$ R = recharge [m / s] L = length [m] i = hydraulic gradient $\beta = \text{elevation}$ $T = \text{transmissivity } [m^2 / s]$ K = hydraulic conductivity [m / s] $f = \text{shape factor } [m^{-1}]$ z = water table depth [m] $a = \frac{A}{2} [m]$

$$T_{i} = \int_{z_{i}}^{\infty} K_{s}(z) dz$$

$$K_{s}(z) = K_{0}e^{(-fz)}$$

$$T_{i} = K_{0}\int_{z_{i}}^{\infty} e^{(-fz)} dz = \frac{K_{0}}{f}e^{(-fz)}$$

 $Q_i = L_i T_0 e^{-fz_i} \tan(\beta_i) = A_i R$

Topographic Index

$$z_i = -\frac{1}{f} \ln \left(\frac{a_i R}{T_0 \tan(\beta_i)} \right)$$

$$z_i = -\frac{1}{f} \left(\ln \frac{R}{T_0} + \ln \frac{a_i}{\tan(\beta_i)} \right)$$

$$TI_{i} = \ln \frac{a_{i}}{\tan(\beta_{i})}$$
$$TI_{i} \ge \overline{TI} + f\overline{z}$$

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Site-specific, topographic parameterization:









General, topographic parameterization:























Conclusions

- Satellite estimates are dominated by snow/ ice extent at high latitudes.
- In any configuration, SiB reduces wetland extent in Quebec from satellite values.
- Transient inundation in sub-tropical regions is not seen in SiB, causing persistent errors.
- Model estimates of spatial wetland distribution give superior estimates of wetlands' temporal variation locally.