

# Global Water Resource

## Assessment Project

### -Validation of Global EPIC-

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1. Previous Global Water Resource Assessment
2. Model Improvement Strategy
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4. Comparison of EPIC result and previous statistics
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# Global Water Resource Assessment (previous)

- ◆ Mainstream : 0.5-degree grid cells.
- ◆ IHP/UNESCO
  - Shiklomanov, 2001
- ◆ Univ. of New Hampshire, USA
  - Vorosmarty et al., 2000
- ◆ Kassel Univ., Germany
  - Alcamo et al., 2000: Water Use
- ◆ Univ. of Tokyo
  - Oki et al.(2001) : Using Advanced Estimation of River Discharge

# Previous Method

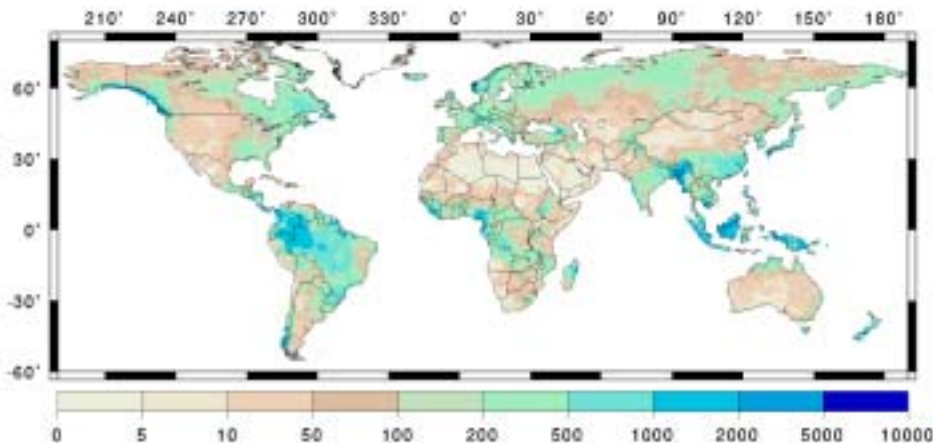
- ◆ 0.5-degree grid cells

- ◆ Water Supply

- GSWP (Global Soil Wetness Project) Result of 'runoff' from each cells (Monthly)
- River discharge estimation by TRIP (Total Runoff Integrating Pathways) and GSWP data

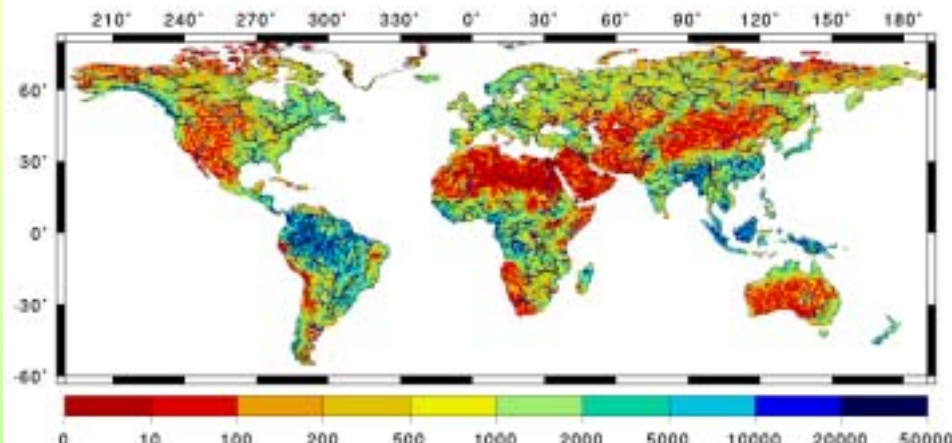
Annual Height of Runoff  
[mm/year]

1995



TRIP Annual River Discharge

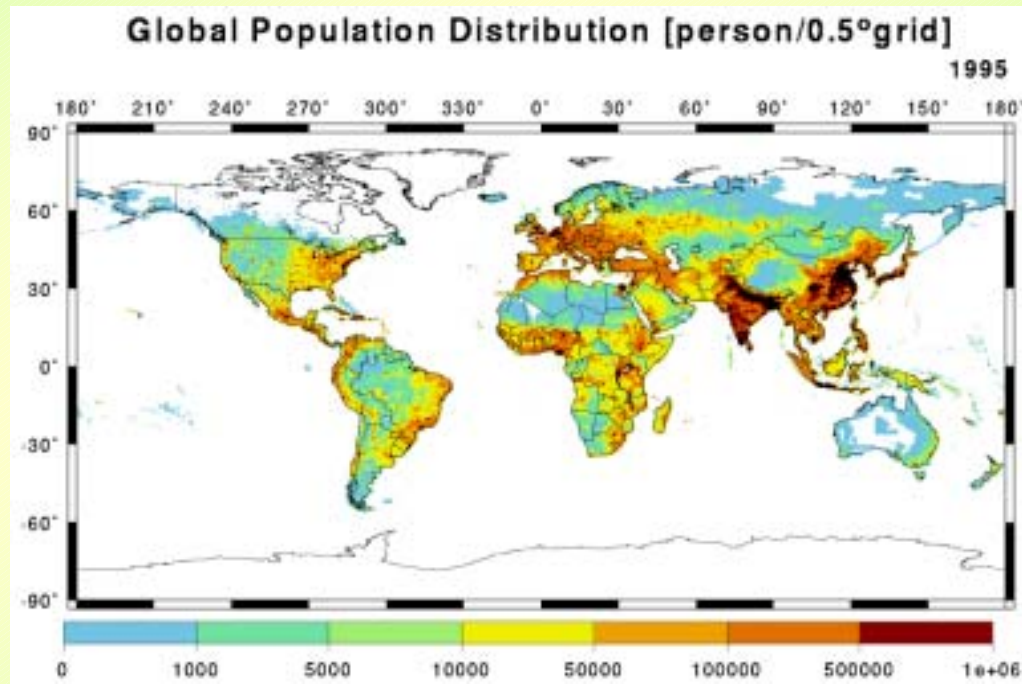
[ $10^6$  m<sup>3</sup>/year/0.5°grid]  
(Average of 1987 and 1988)



# Previous Method [2]

## ◆ Water Demand

- Base1 : WRI (World Resource Institute) water- use statistics of each countries
- Base2 : CIECIN global population data
- Industrial and Domestic(Urban) Water Use : Re-distribute WRI country data so that values in every cells are proportional to population within that cell.

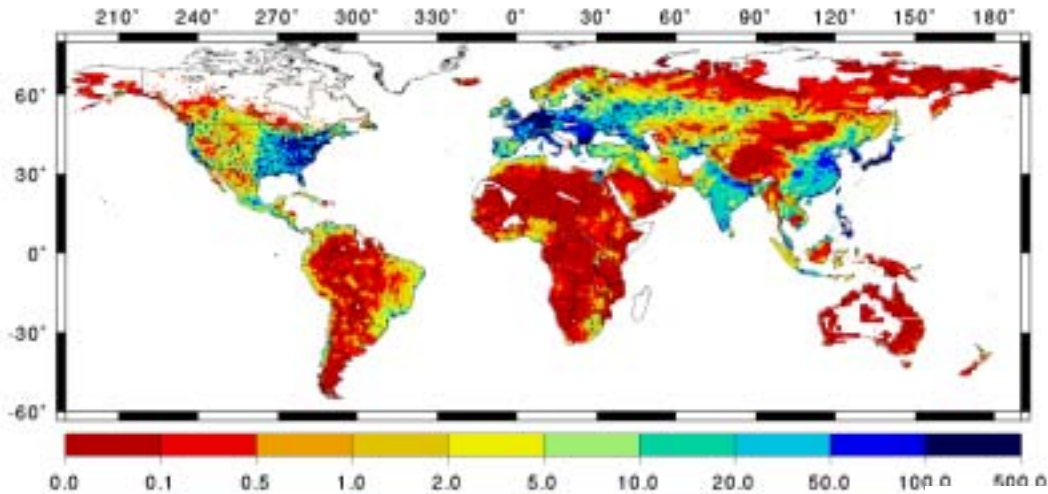


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## Annual Industrial Water Withdrawal

[ $10^6 \text{ m}^3/\text{year}/0.5^\circ\text{grid}$ ]

1995



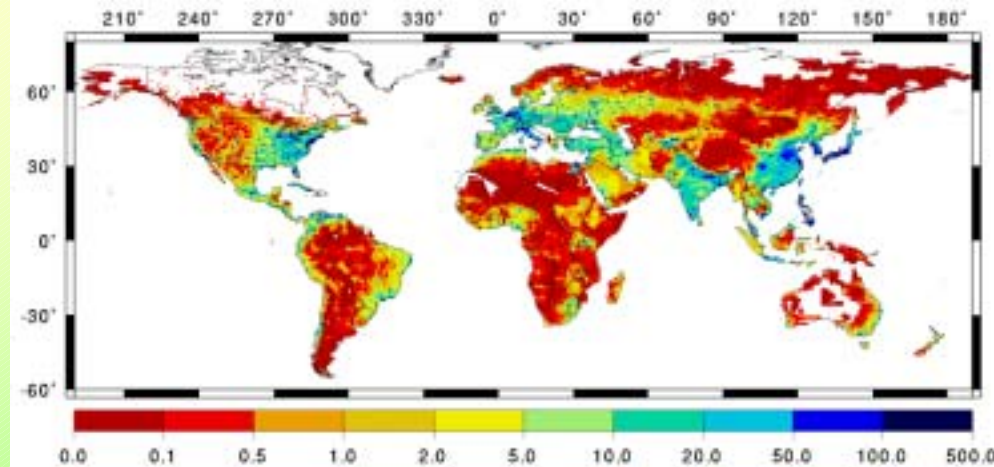
Industrial Water Use

## Domestic Water Use

### Annual Domestic Water Withdrawal

[ $10^6 \text{ m}^3/\text{year}/0.5^\circ\text{grid}$ ]

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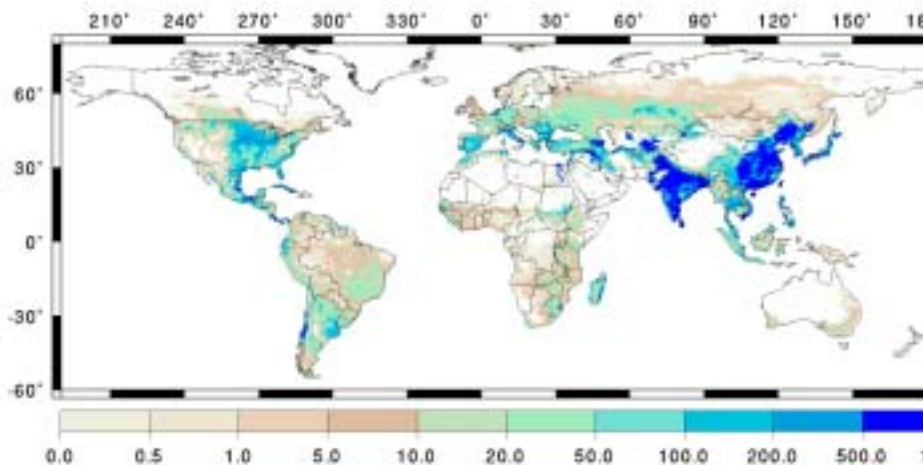
# Previous Method[3]

## ◆ Agricultural Water Use : Today's Topic

- Base: WRI country-based statistics
- How should we re-distribute this values?
  - ◆ Proportional to Grid Irrigation Area? (Kassel Univ.)
  - ◆ or to Grid Cropland Area? (WRI)

Annual Agricultural Water Withdrawal  
For Cropland [ $10^6 \text{ m}^3/\text{year}/0.5^\circ\text{grid}$ ]

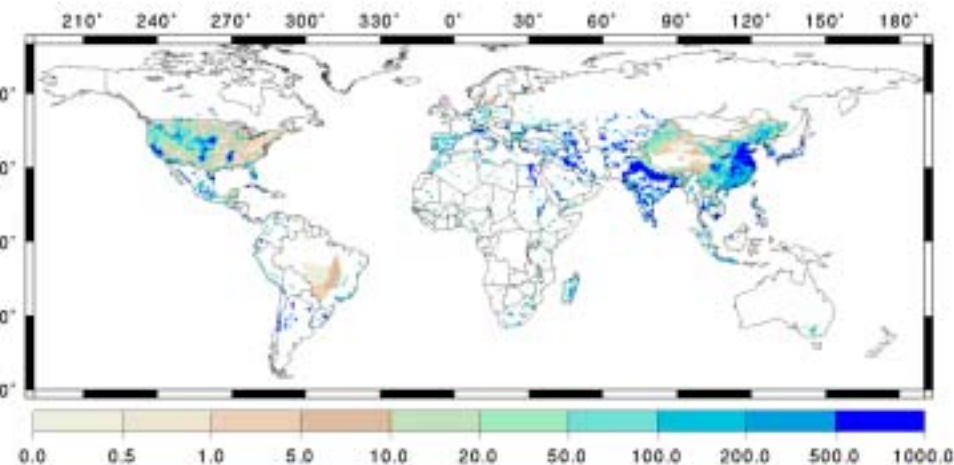
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Prop. To Cropland Area

Annual Agricultural Water Withdrawal  
For Irrigation [ $10^6 \text{ m}^3/\text{year}/0.5^\circ\text{grid}$ ]

1995



Prop. To Irrigation Area

# Previous Method [4]

## ◆ Estimation of Water Stress Distribution

### ◆ Symbols

- R: Runoff from each cell
- Q: River discharge
- W: Total water demand(Indus.+Agri.+Domes.)
- S: Freshwater production by desalinization
- C: Population

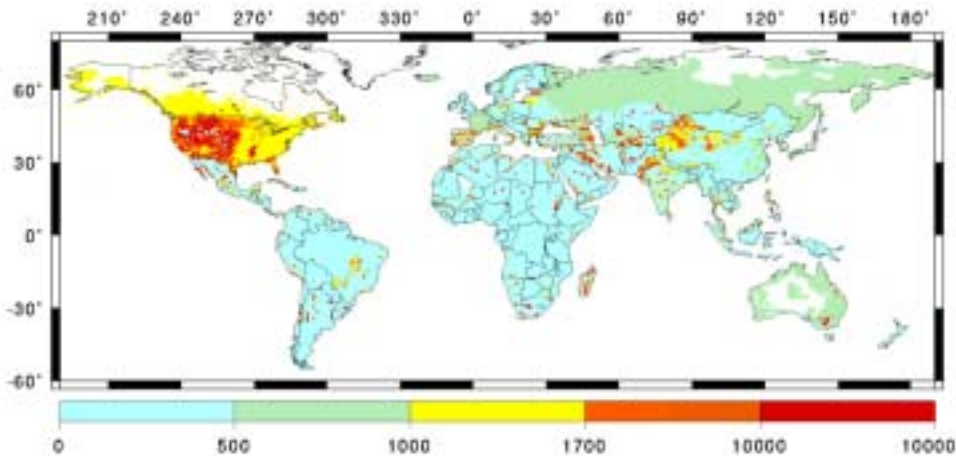
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## ◆ Criteria

- Water demand per capita:  $W/C$
- Withdrawal-to-Availability ratio:  $(W-S)/Q$ 
  - ◆  $>0.4$  : severe water stress
  - ◆  $<0.1$  : safe

Annual Water Demand per capita  
(  $W - S$  ) / population [m<sup>3</sup> / year / person]

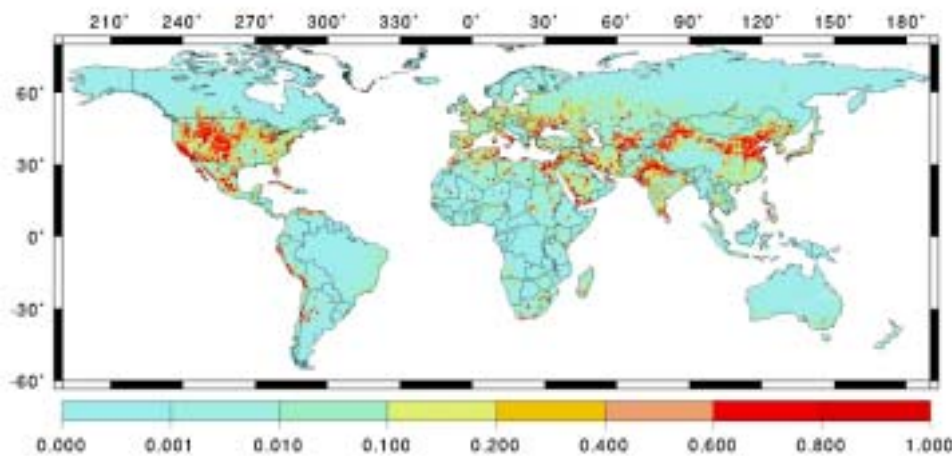
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$W/C$

Annual Withdrawal to Availability Ratio  
(  $W - S$  ) /  $Q$

1995



$(W-S)/Q$



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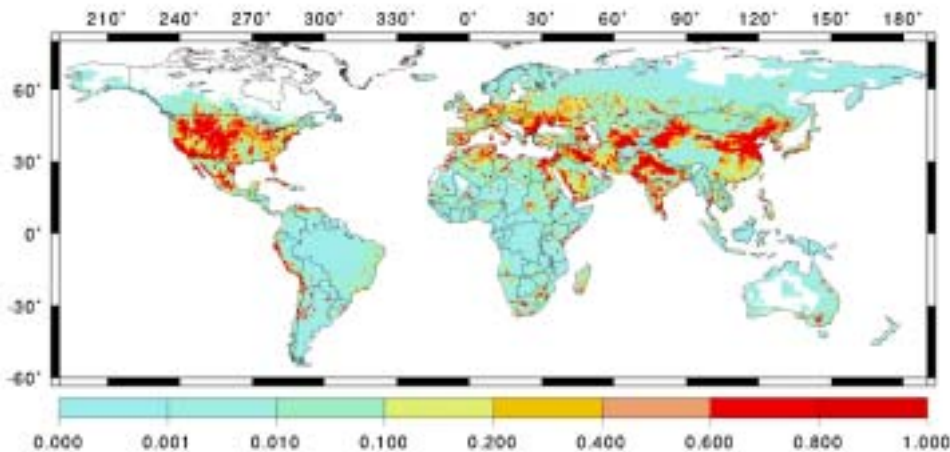
## ◆ What is 'available water'?

- Not whole amount of  $Q$  can be used.
  - ◆ Used (and lost) or polluted in upstream region
- Introduction of Alpha-index
  - ◆ Available water =  $R + \alpha \Sigma D$ 
    - $\Sigma D$ : Sum of river water from upstream cells

Withdrawal to Availability Ratio

Alpha=0.0

1995

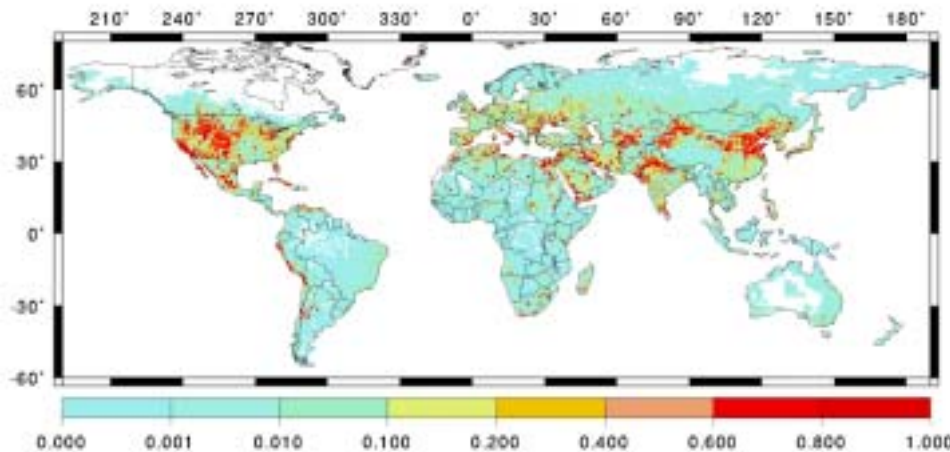


$(W-S)/Q$ , alpha=0.0

Withdrawal to Availability Ratio

Alpha=1.0

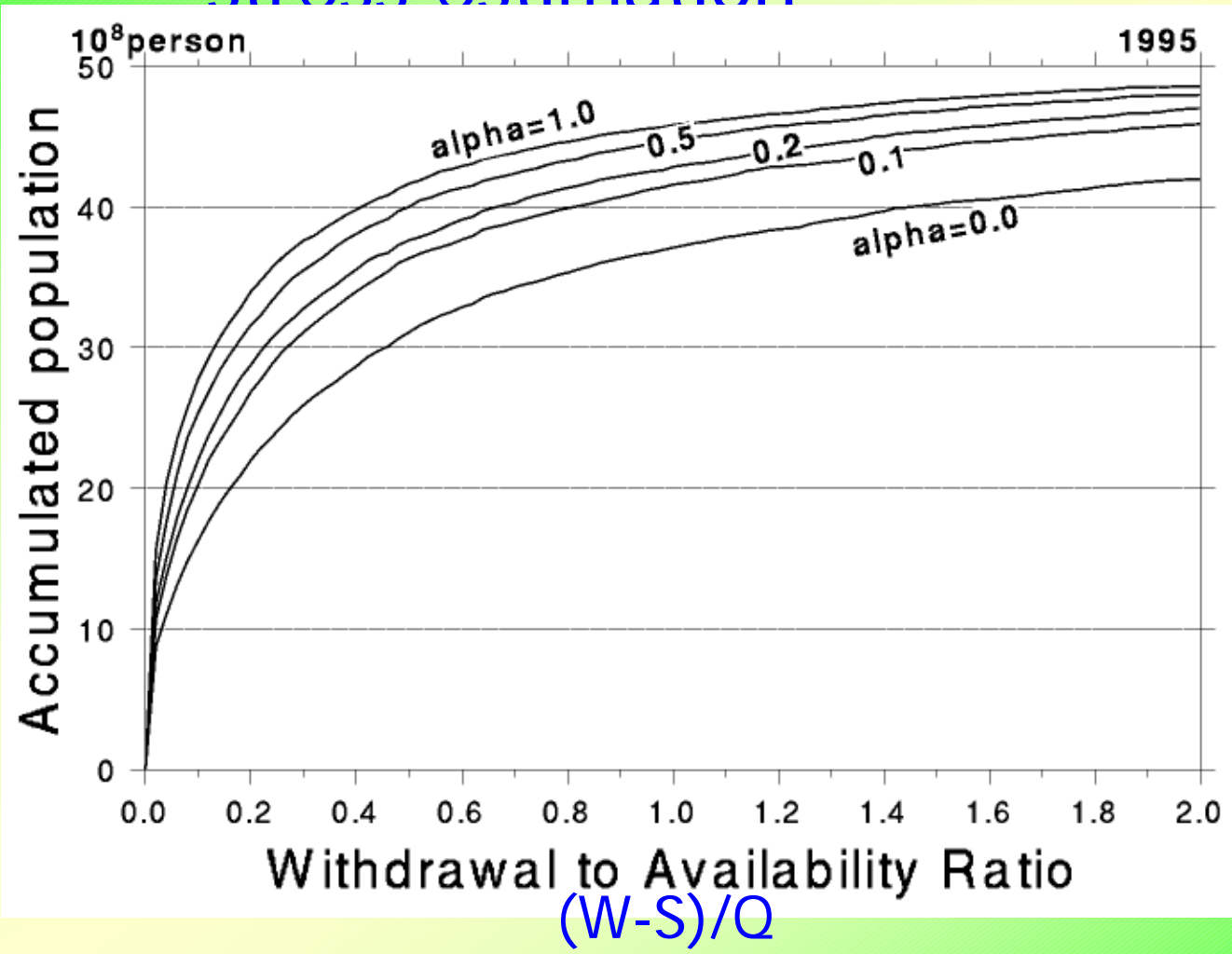
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alpha=1.0

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◆ Sensitivity of alpha-index to water stress estimation



Change in population under water stress according to change in alpha

# Model Strategy

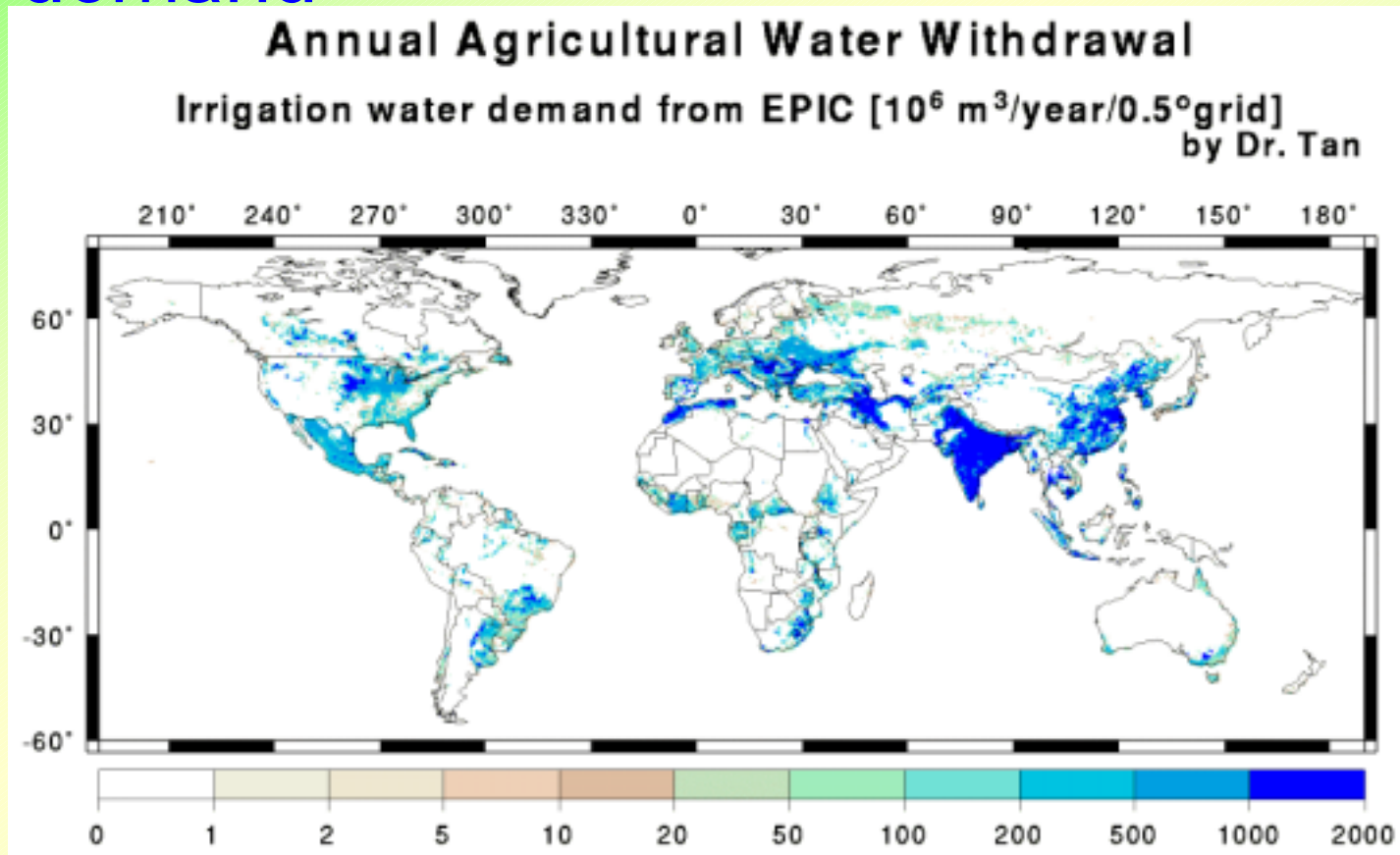
- ◆ Current : 'nearly static' model
  - ---or merely 'calculation'
  - Severe problem in future projection
    - ◆ Scenario-dependent
    - ◆ What if no data and/or projection available?
    - ◆ Unrealistic assumption

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- ◆ To 'dynamic' model with as less external variables as possible
  - Sub-models
    - ◆ Climate change / River flow
    - ◆ Agriculture model
    - ◆ Industrial water use model
    - ◆ Urbanization model
    - ◆ Environmental water demand estimation
  - Linkage of all models
    - ◆ To be one of the goals of CREST project

# Estimation by EPIC

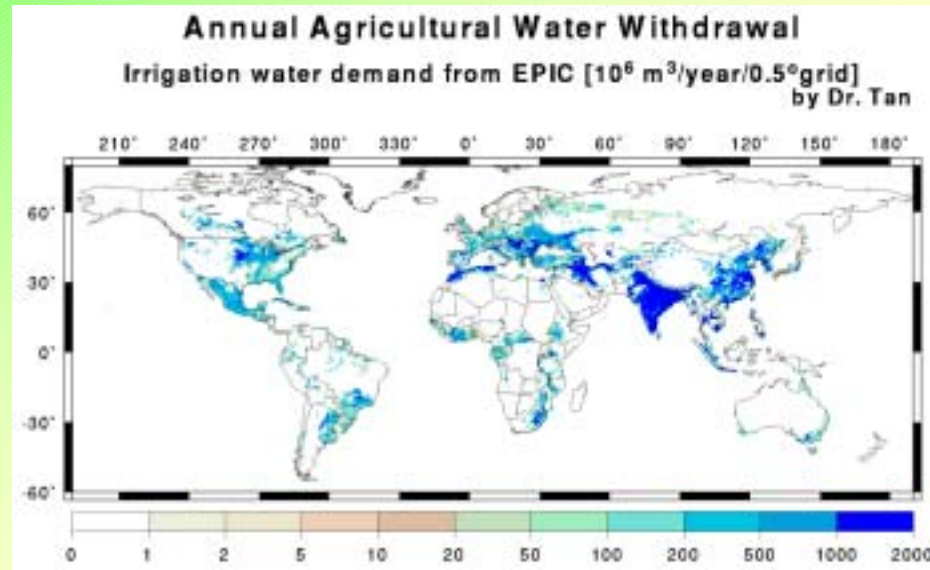
- ◆ Result : Monthly 0.1-degree grid estimation of maximum irrigation water demand



Annual Total

# Estimation by EPIC

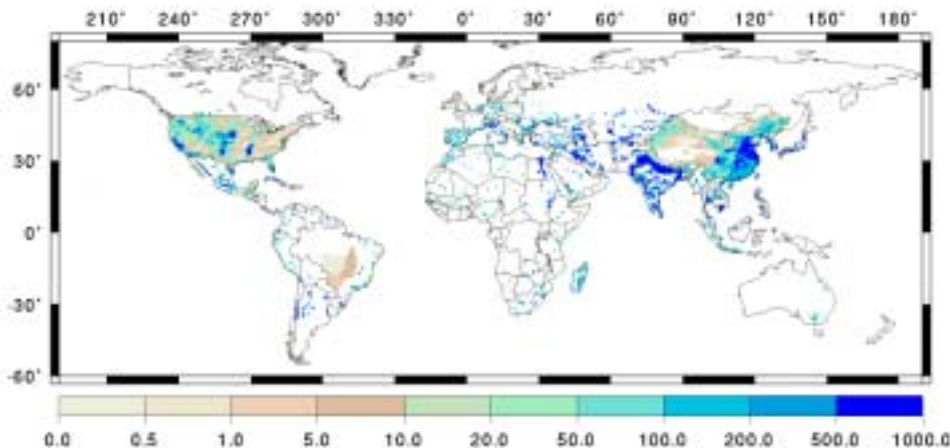
EPIC



## Annual Agricultural Water Withdrawal

For Irrigation [ $10^6 \text{ m}^3/\text{year}/0.5^\circ\text{grid}$ ]

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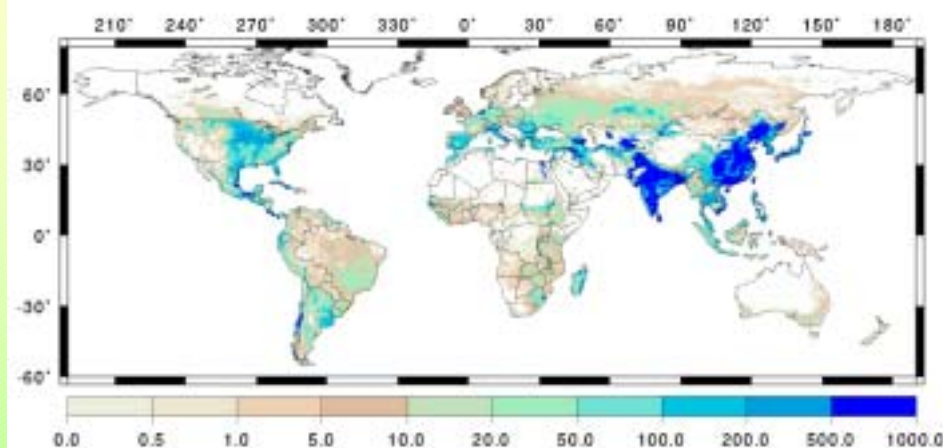


WRI (irrigation)

## Annual Agricultural Water Withdrawal

For Cropland [ $10^6 \text{ m}^3/\text{year}/0.5^\circ\text{grid}$ ]

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WRI (cropland)

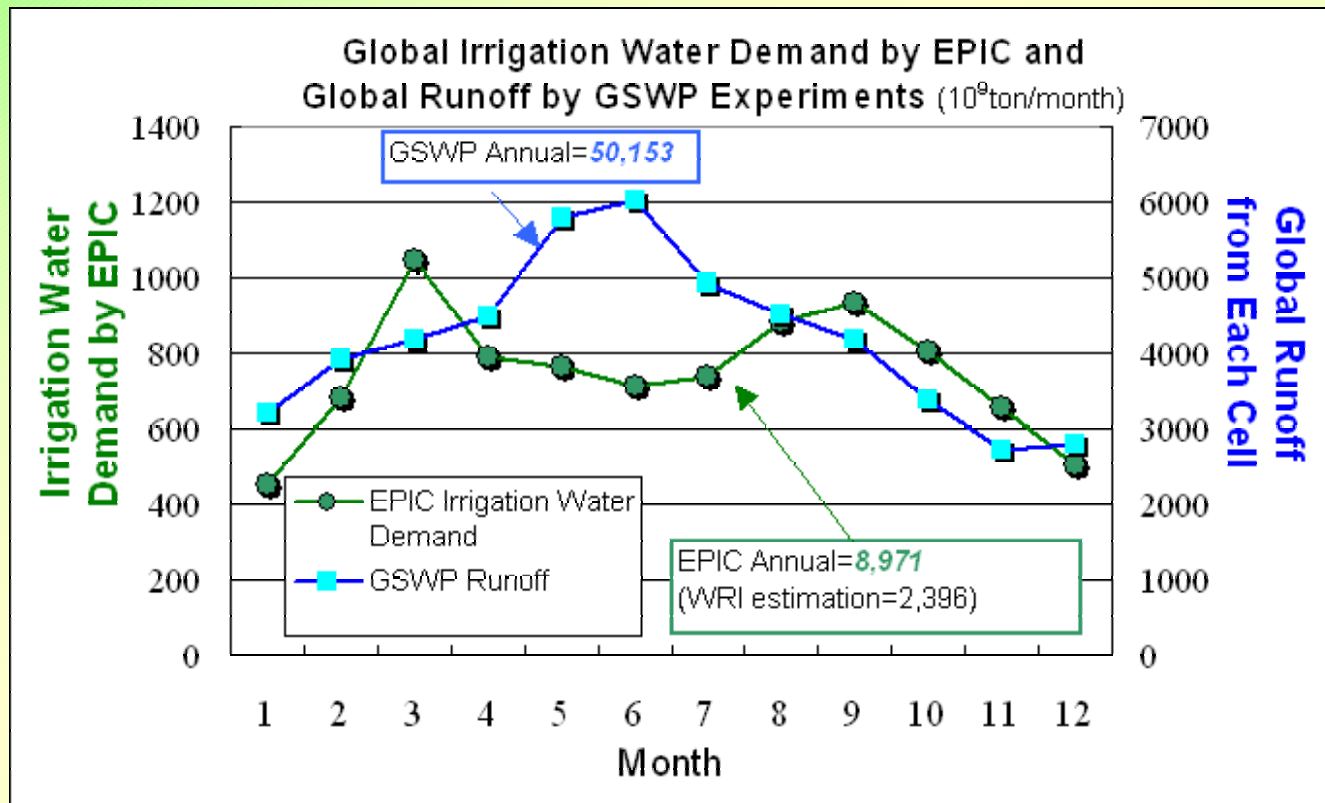
# Comparison

## ◆ Annual Total Agri. Water Demand

- EPIC: 8,971 \* 10<sup>9</sup>m<sup>3</sup>

  - ◆ Two peaks in March and September

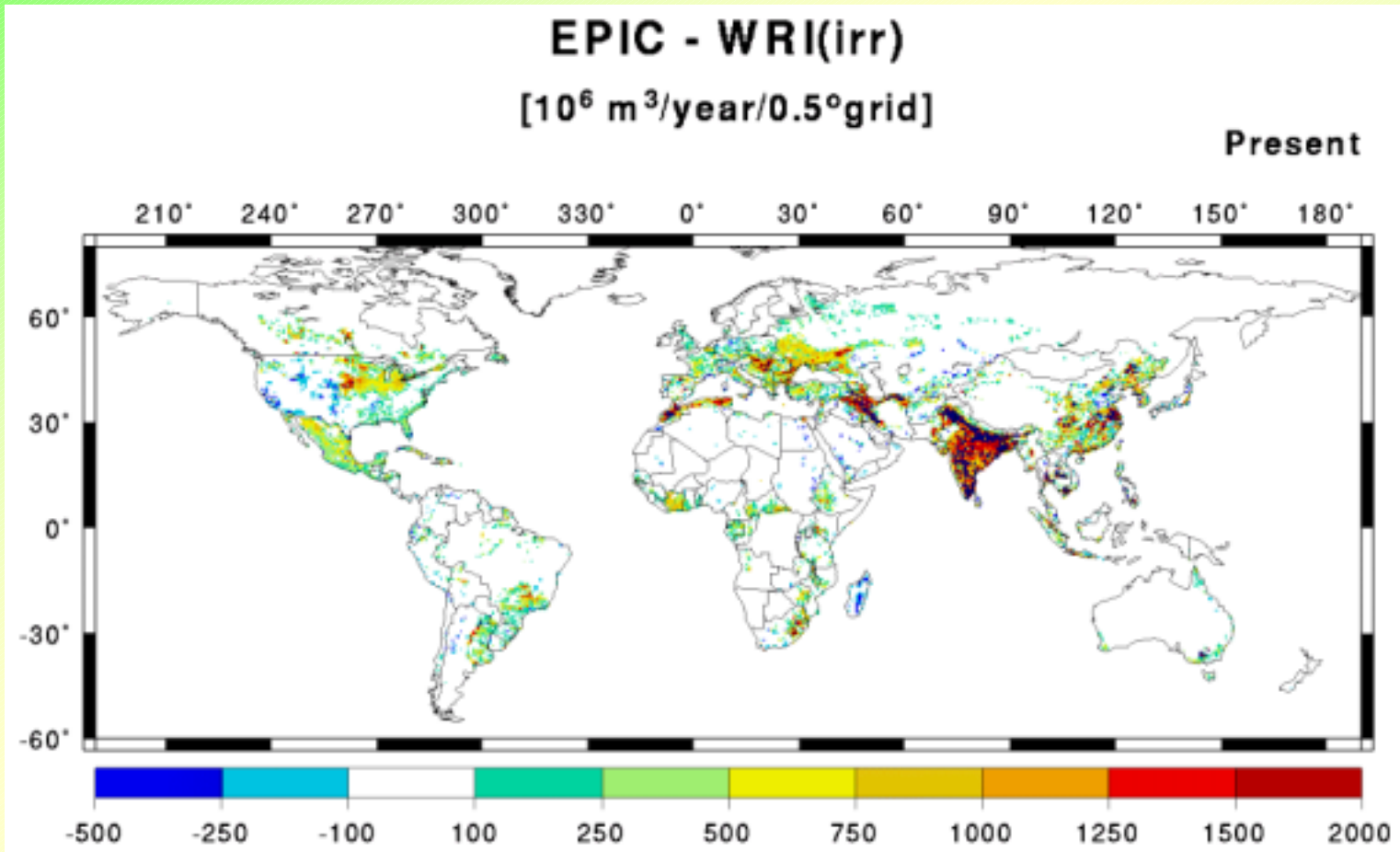
- WRI + Kassel Irrigation: 2,396 \* 10<sup>9</sup>m<sup>3</sup>



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◆ EPIC result – WRI statistics

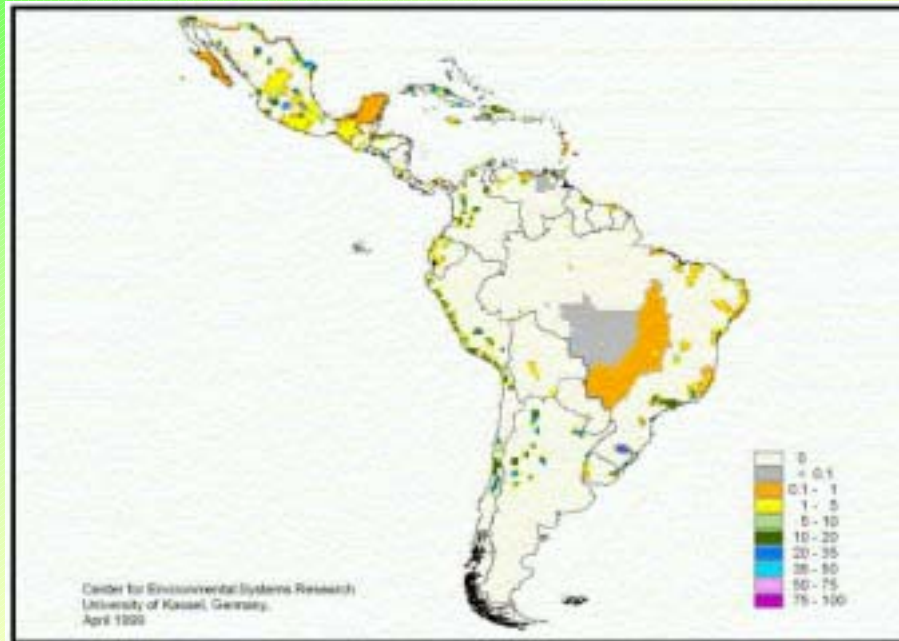
- EPIC is larger : India
- EPIC is smaller : USA



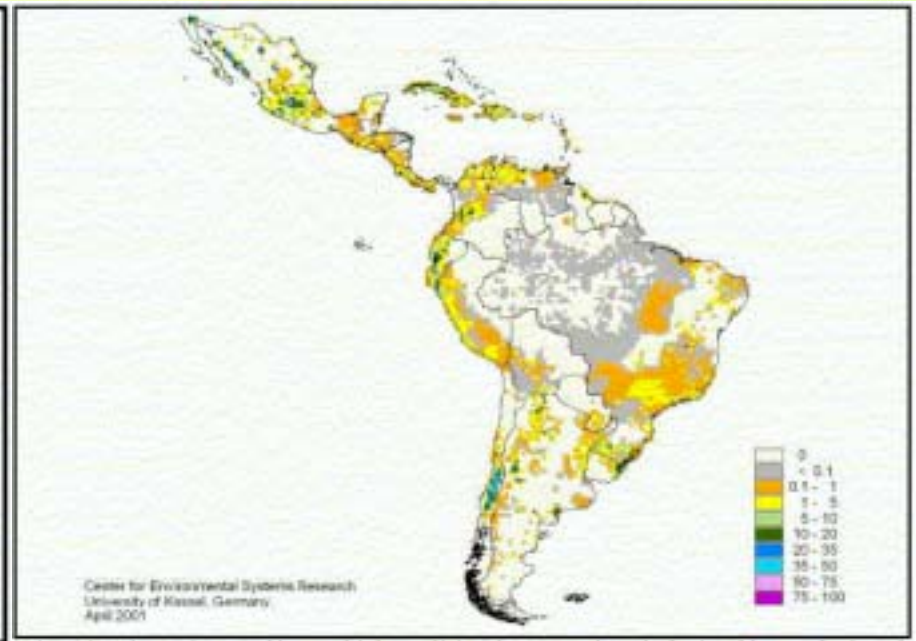


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- ◆ New irrigation area dataset by Kassel Univ. is available



Old (currently used)



New

# Future Issues

- ◆ Use of **common dataset** to drive each submodels
  - Climate, soil type, vegetation, river network, crop type etc.
  - Needs: Common data archive and uniform (standard) data format
- ◆ Determination of interface of each model
- ◆ Definition of '**available water**'