

GLAMOS

Behind the scenes

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Agenda

- 1. Requirements and Data Modelling**
- 2. Topographical Landscape Model**
- 3. Linkage to Hydrological Network**
- 4. Data Publication**
- 5. Summary**

Part 1

Requirements and Data Modelling

Requirements; Expectations

Point-of-View of a Glaciologist

- Collection of entire datasets
- Thematically organized
- Available for download and usage
- ...



Point-of-View of the Geoinformatics

```
CREATE OR REPLACE VIEW length_change.vw_length_change AS
SELECT lcd.fk_glacier, g.short_name AS glacier_short_name,
       g.full_name AS glacier_full_name,
       g.pk_vaw, g.sgi_code, lcd.date_from, lcd.date_to,
       lcd.variation_quantitative,
       sum(lcd.variation_quantitative) OVER (PARTITION BY lcd.fk_glacier ORDER BY lcd.date_to)
       AS variation_quantitative_cumulative
FROM length_change.length_change_data lcd
JOIN base_data.vw_glacier_identification g ON g.pk_vaw = lcd.fk_glacier;
```

```
ALTER TABLE length_change.vw_length_change
OWNER TO gladmin;
```



Requirements; Evaluation of DBMS

Appropriate Database Management System (DBMS)

File-based vs. Database:

- Flexibility
- Data exchange and data providing
- Compatibility (other data collections and tools)



Choice of DBMS:

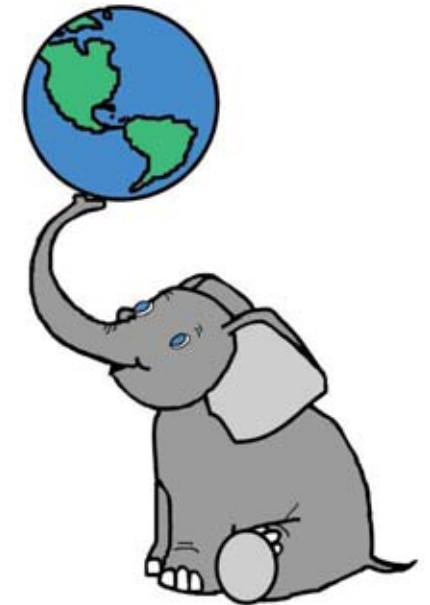
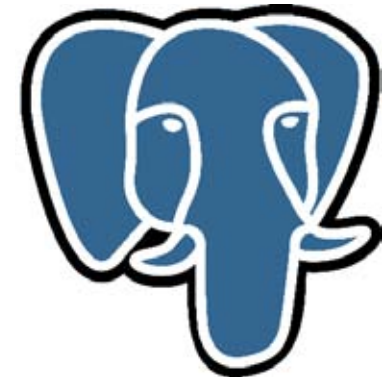
- Commercial vs. Open-Source
- Spatial Datatypes
- Well-known and active community
- Ongoing development



Requirements; Evaluation of DBMS

PostgreSQL and ***PostGIS*** extension

- ✓ Flexibility
- ✓ Data exchange and data providing
- ✓ Compatibility
OK GLIMS, OK KOGIS¹, OK OGC², ...
- ✓ Open-Source
- ✓ Spatial Datatypes
OK Vector, OK Raster, OK Topology
- ✓ Well-known and active community
OK International, OK Switzerland
- ✓ Ongoing development



<https://www.postgresql.org/>
<http://www.postgis.net/>

¹: KOGIS: Koordination, Geo-Information und Services

²: Open Geospatial Consortium

Data Modelling

Steps of the Data Modelling process

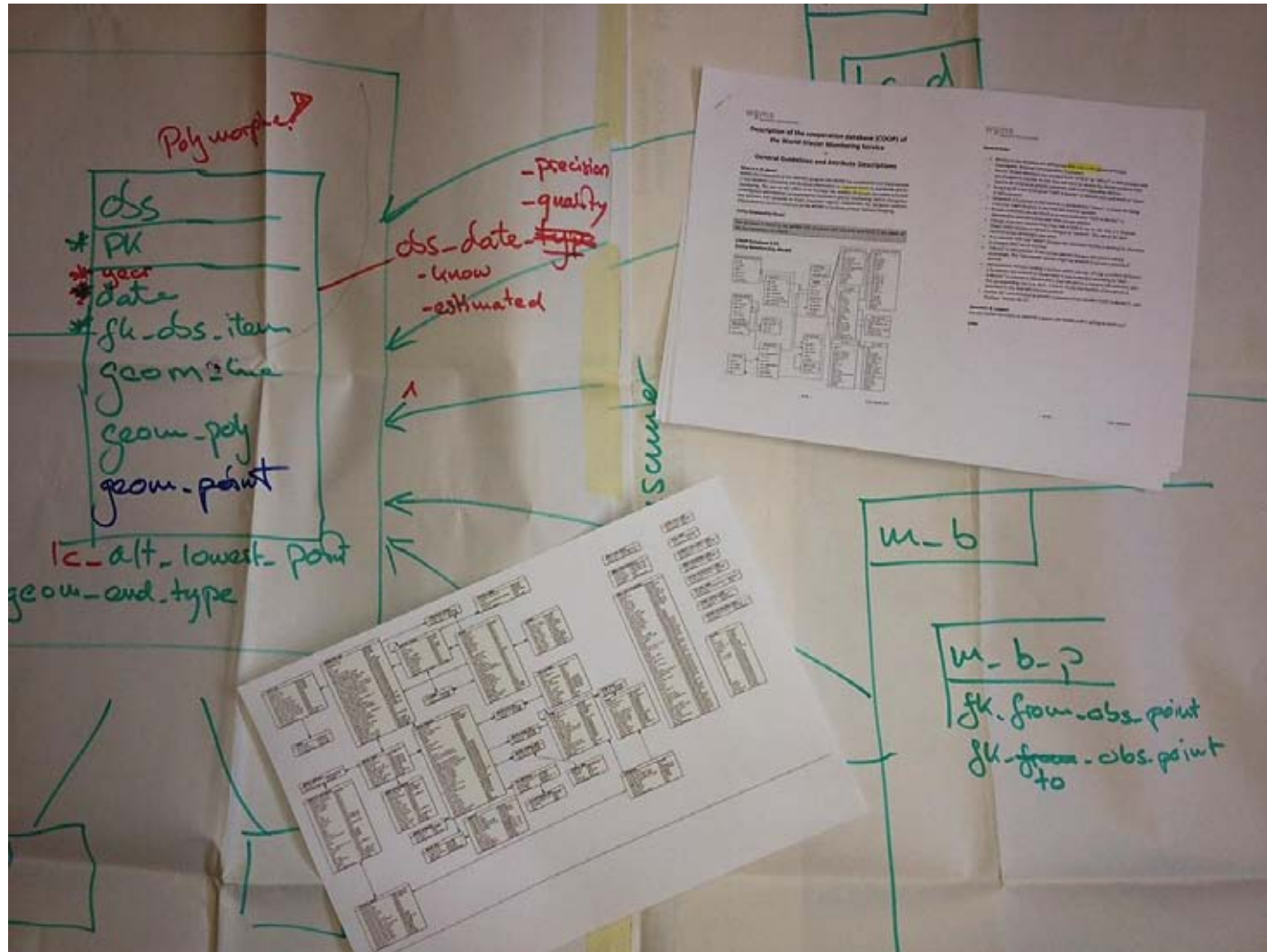
Main goal: *Reduced duplication of data, ensure referential integrity, unique identification of each dataset.*

1st, 2nd and 3rd normal form of relation data models (Edgar F. Codd, 1971)

Results: Description of data, relations and dependencies

- **Conceptual Schema**
 - Describes the semantics of the domain [Glaciology]
- **Logical Schema**
 - Describes the structure of the domains of information [Relations, ...]
- **Physical Schema**
 - Describes the physical means used to store data [Implementation]

Data Modelling; Conceptual schema



shd - date-type
cnd - date-type
- known
- estimated

mass-balance, point-type
- summer
- winter
- sub

shd / cnd - Point?

annual glacier - mass-balance + winter-mass-balance

mass-balance-annual
mass-balance-winter } Nullable

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glacier

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Data Modelling; Physical schema

```
CREATE TABLE mass_balance.mass_balance_glacier (  
    pk      uuid      NOT NULL CONSTRAINT mass_balance_glacier_pk PRIMARY KEY,  
    fk_glacier      smallint      NOT NULL REFERENCES base_data.glacier,  
    fk_mass_balance_glacier_type      smallint      NOT NULL  
        REFERENCES mass_balance.mass_balance_glacier_type,  
    date_annual_from      date NOT NULL,  
    date_annual_to      date NOT NULL,  
    date_winter_start      date NOT NULL,  
    date_winter_end      date NOT NULL,  
    annual_mass_balance      integer NOT NULL,  
    winter_mass_balance      integer NOT NULL,  
    equilibrium_line_altitude      integer NOT NULL,  
    accumulation_area_ratio      integer NOT NULL  
) TABLESPACE vector;  
  
ALTER TABLE mass_balance.mass_balance_glacier OWNER TO gladmin;  
  
GRANT ALL ON TABLE mass_balance.mass_balance_glacier TO gladmin;  
GRANT SELECT ON TABLE mass_balance.mass_balance_glacier TO glro;
```

Data Modelling; Entity Relationship (ER)

Collection of Entities

glacier

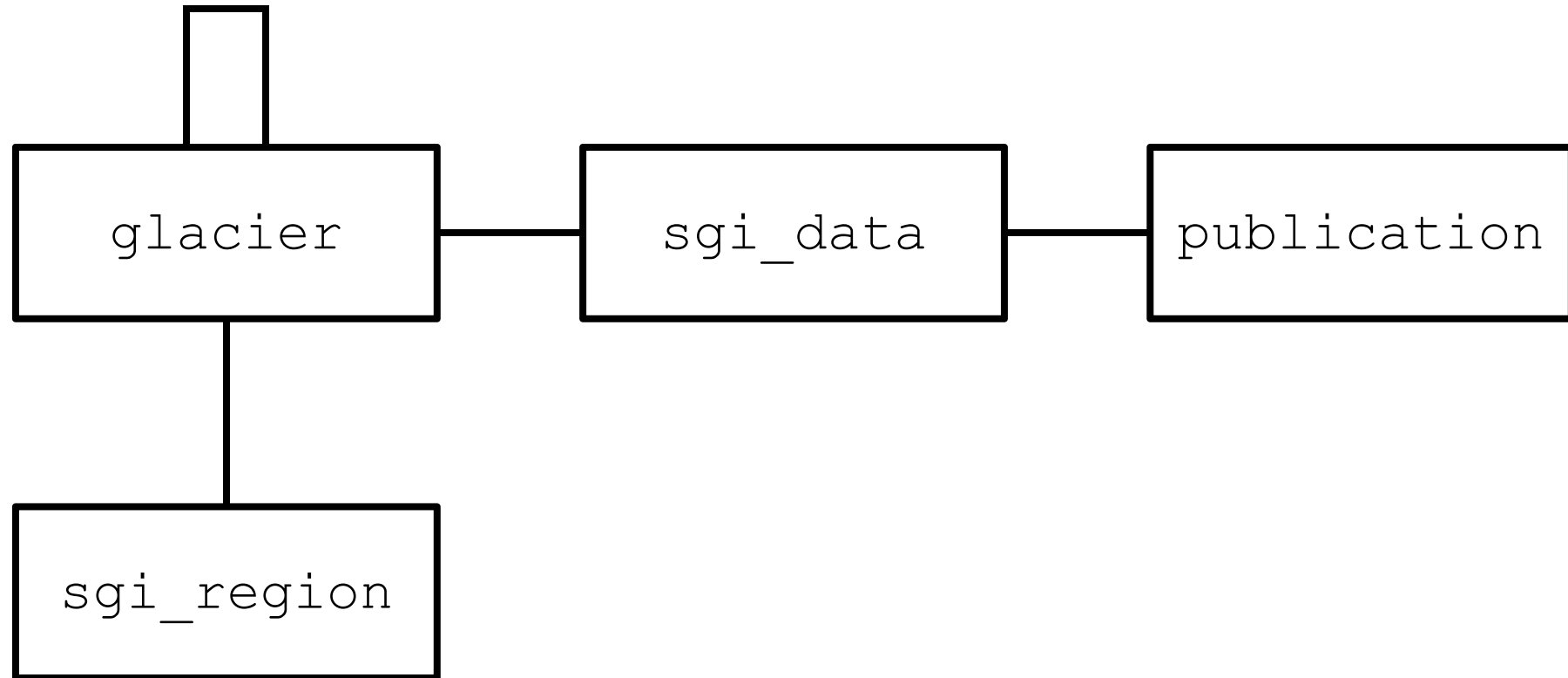
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sgi_region

sgi_data

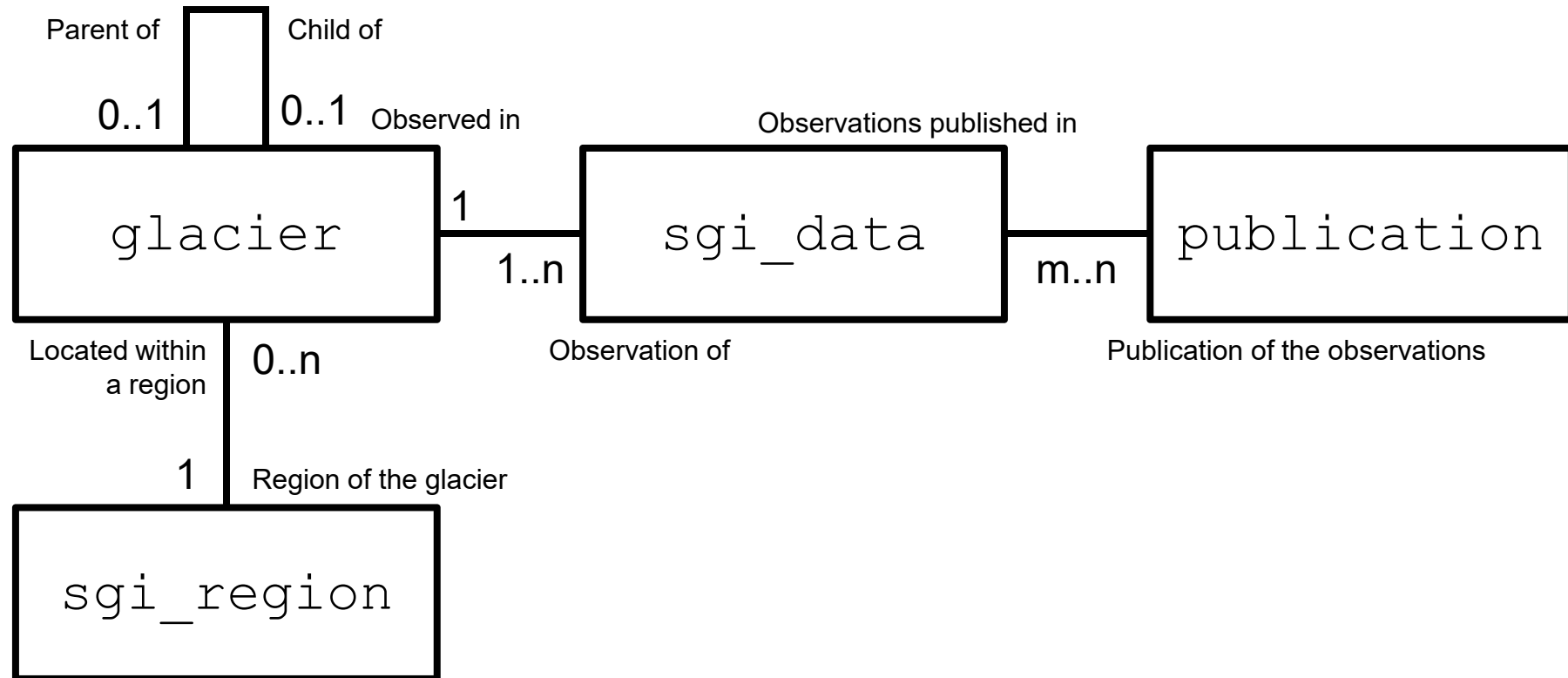
Data Modelling; Entity Relationship (ER)

Definition of the Relations between the Entities



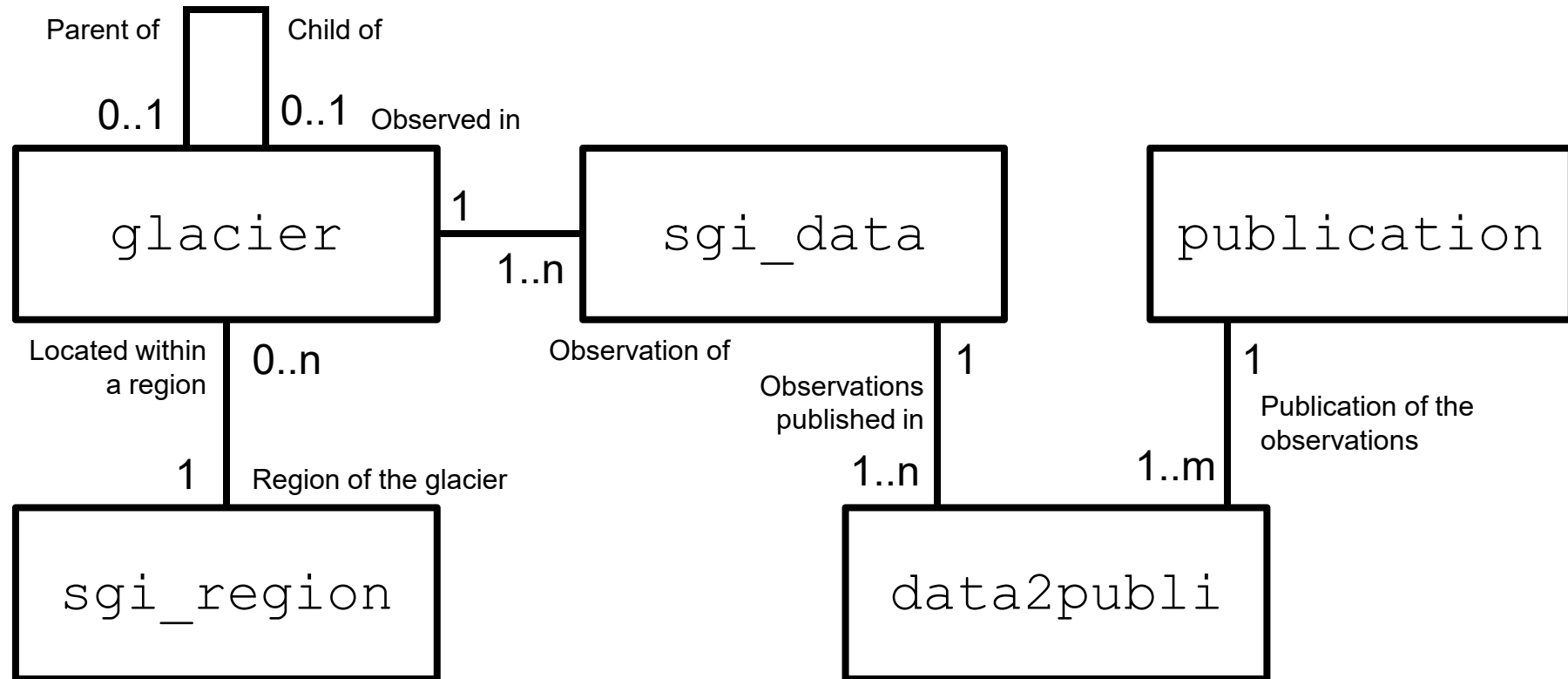
Data Modelling; Entity Relationship (ER)

Definition of the Cardinalities and Naming the Roles



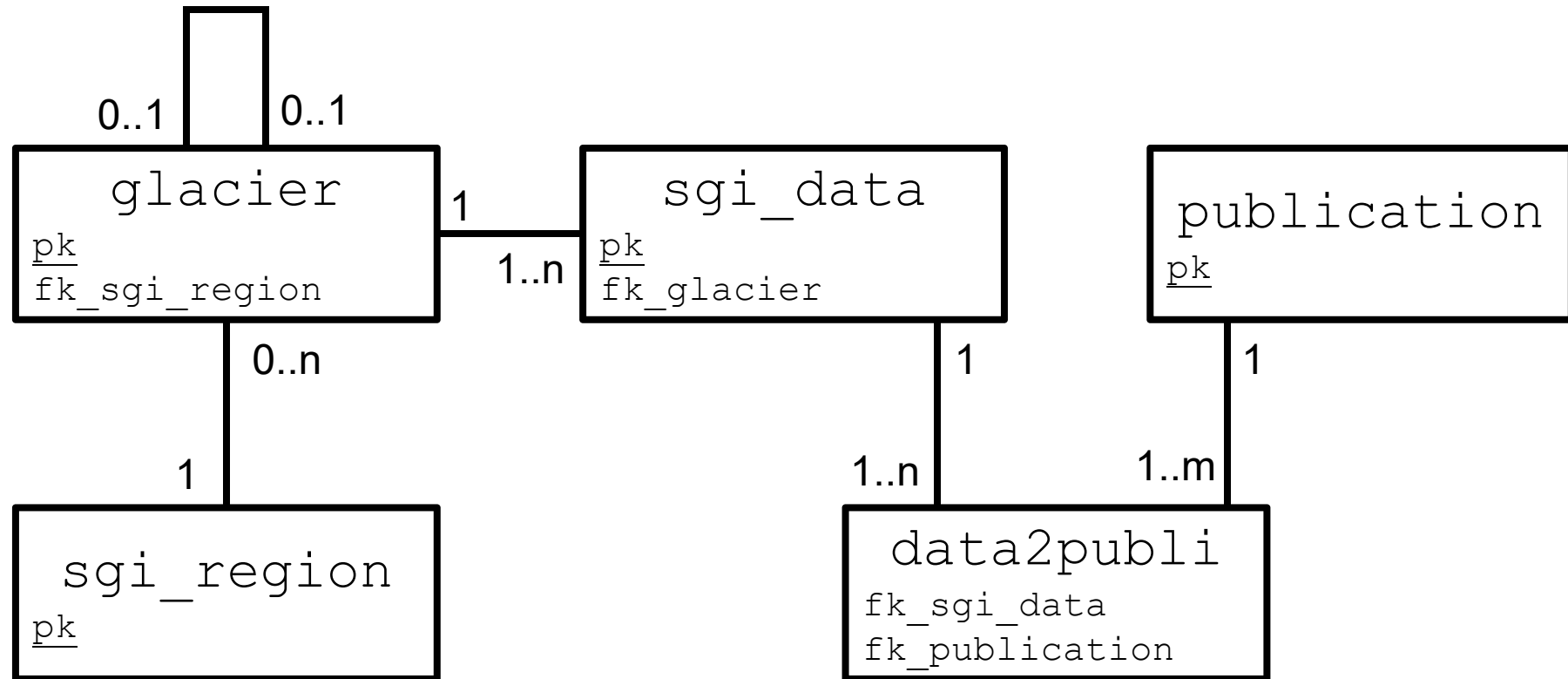
Data Modelling; Entity Relationship (ER)

Resolving m:n-Relations into 1:n- and m:1-Relations



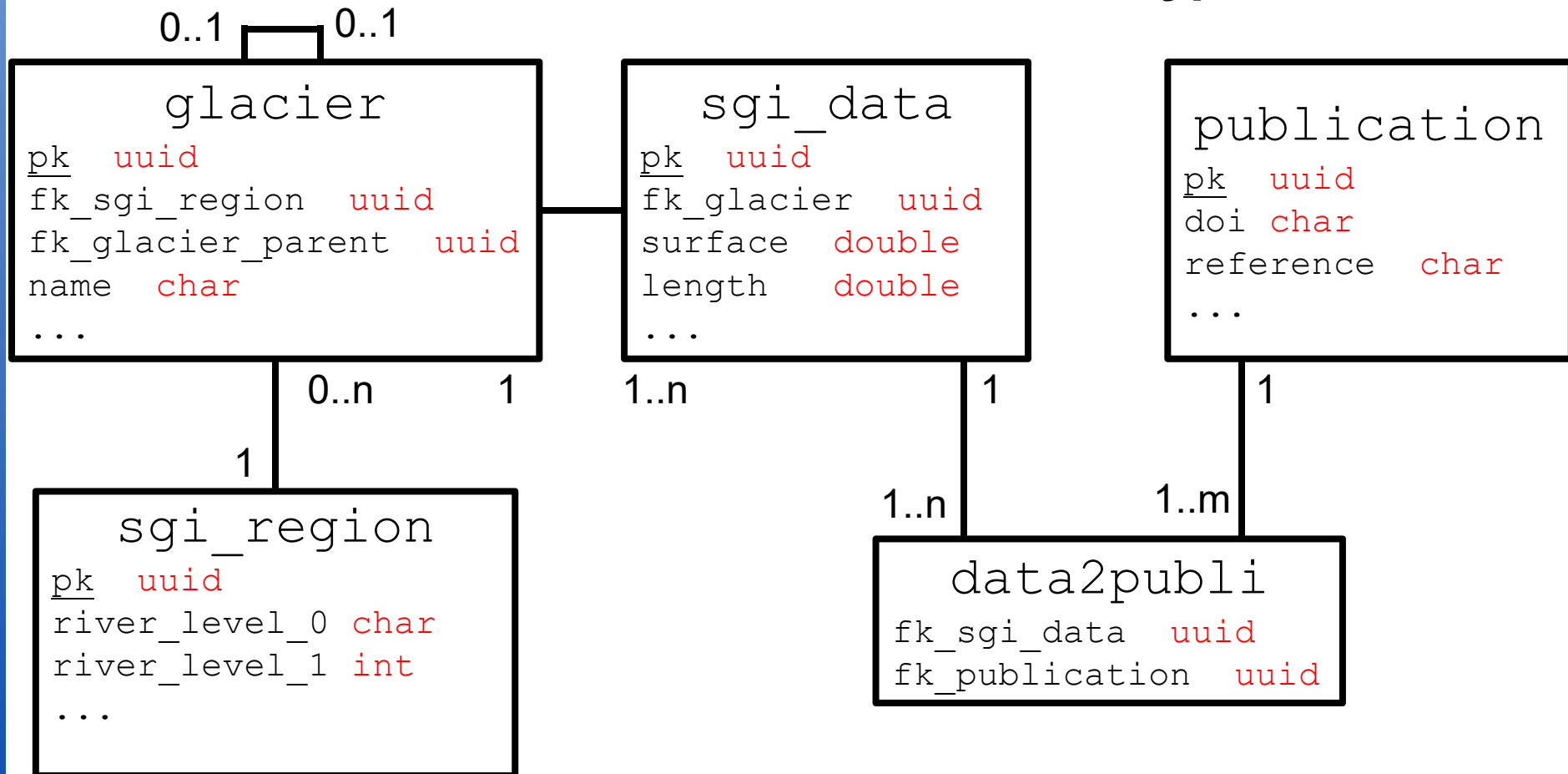
Data Modelling; Entity Relationship (ER)

Definition of Primary-Keys and Foreign-Keys



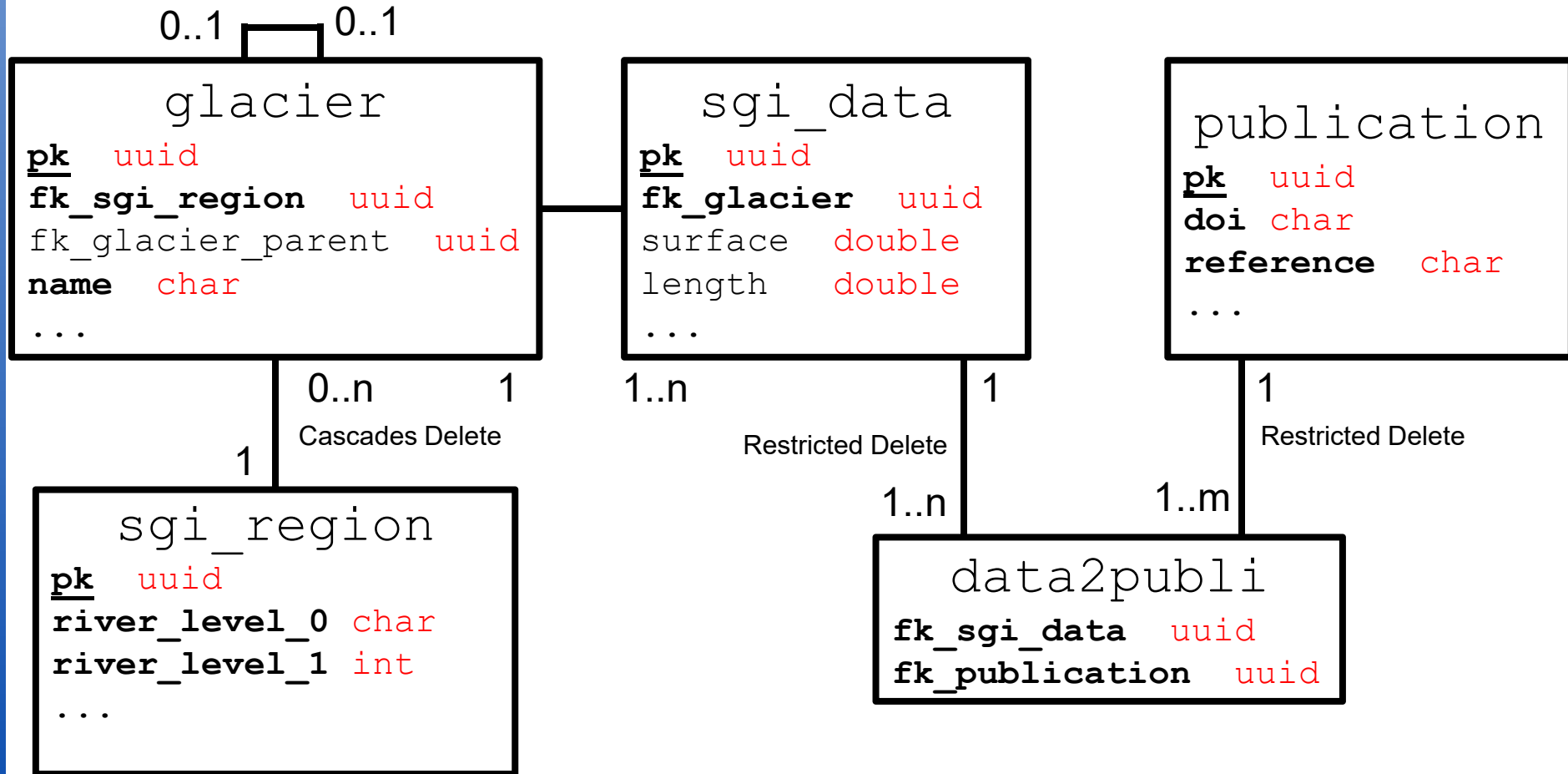
Data Modelling; Entity Relationship (ER)

Definition of additional attributes and data types



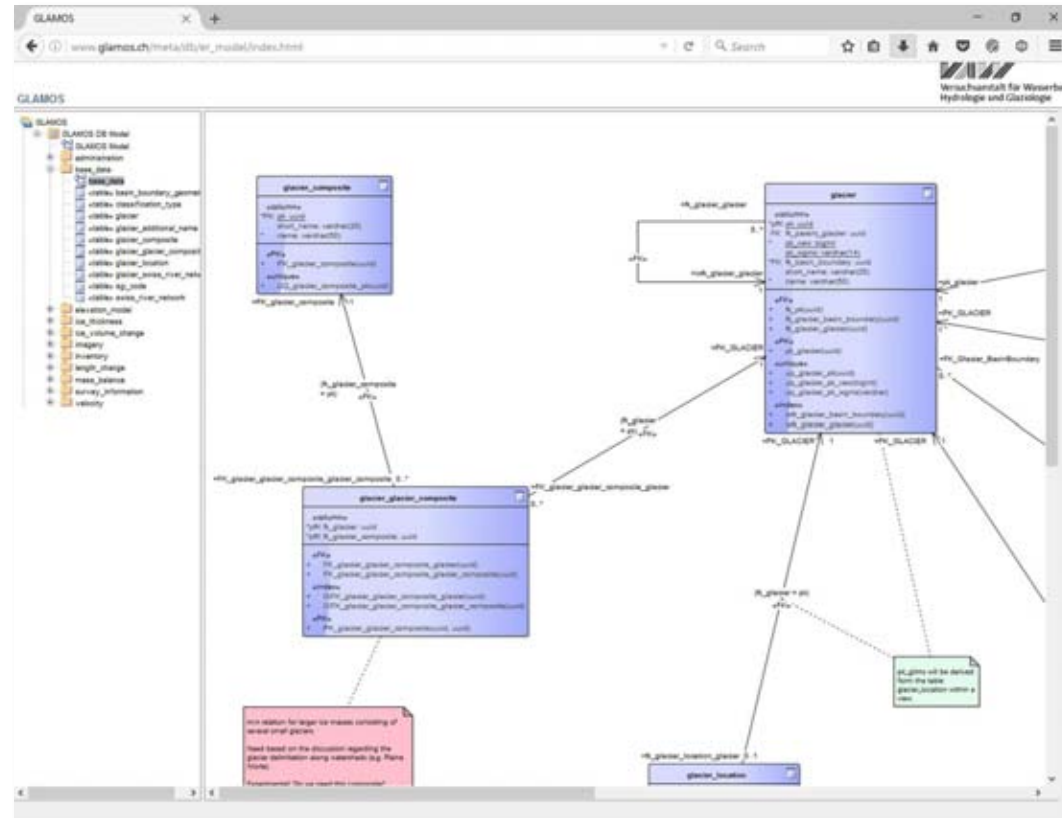
Data Modelling; Entity Relationship (ER)

Definition of mandatory fields, other constraints, indexes



Data Modelling; Entity Relationship (ER)

- **ER-Diagrams for GLAMOS online**



http://www.glamos.ch/meta/db/er_model/index.html

http://www.glamos.ch/meta/gis/er_model/index.html

Data Modelling; Normalization: GLIMS-ID

Format: G008506E47410N

Format: G <Easting> E <Northing> N

```
CREATE TABLE base_data.glacier_location
(
  pk uuid NOT NULL pk_glacier_location PRIMARY KEY,
  fk_glacier uuid NOT NULL,
  latitude numeric(8,6) NOT NULL,
  longitude numeric(8,6) NOT NULL,

  CONSTRAINT fk_glacier_location_glacier FOREIGN KEY (fk_glacier)
    REFERENCES base_data.glacier (pk) MATCH SIMPLE
    ON UPDATE CASCADE ON DELETE CASCADE
);
```

Data Modelling; Normalization: GLIMS-ID

Retrieving Geometry, GLIMS-ID, Name, Catchment

```

CREATE OR REPLACE VIEW base_data.vw_glacier_location AS
SELECT row_number() OVER() AS gid,
       l.pk, l.fk_glacier, g.name,
       st_transform(st_setsrid(st_makepoint(
         l.longitude::double precision,
         l.latitude::double precision), 4326), 2056) AS geom,
       (((('G00'::text || btrim(to_char(l.longitude * 1000::numeric,
         '9999'::text)))) || 'E'::text) ||
         btrim(to_char(l.latitude * 1000::numeric, '99999'::text))) ||
         'N'::text AS glims_id,
       sgi.sgi_code, g.pk_vaw, g.pk_wgms, g.short_name,
       sgi.river_level_3, sgi.river_level_2, sgi.river_level_1,
       CASE
         WHEN sgi.river_level_3::text = 'E'::text THEN 'Inn'::text
         WHEN sgi.river_level_3::text = 'A'::text AND
              sgi.river_level_2 = 5 AND
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         ...
       END AS main_catchment
...

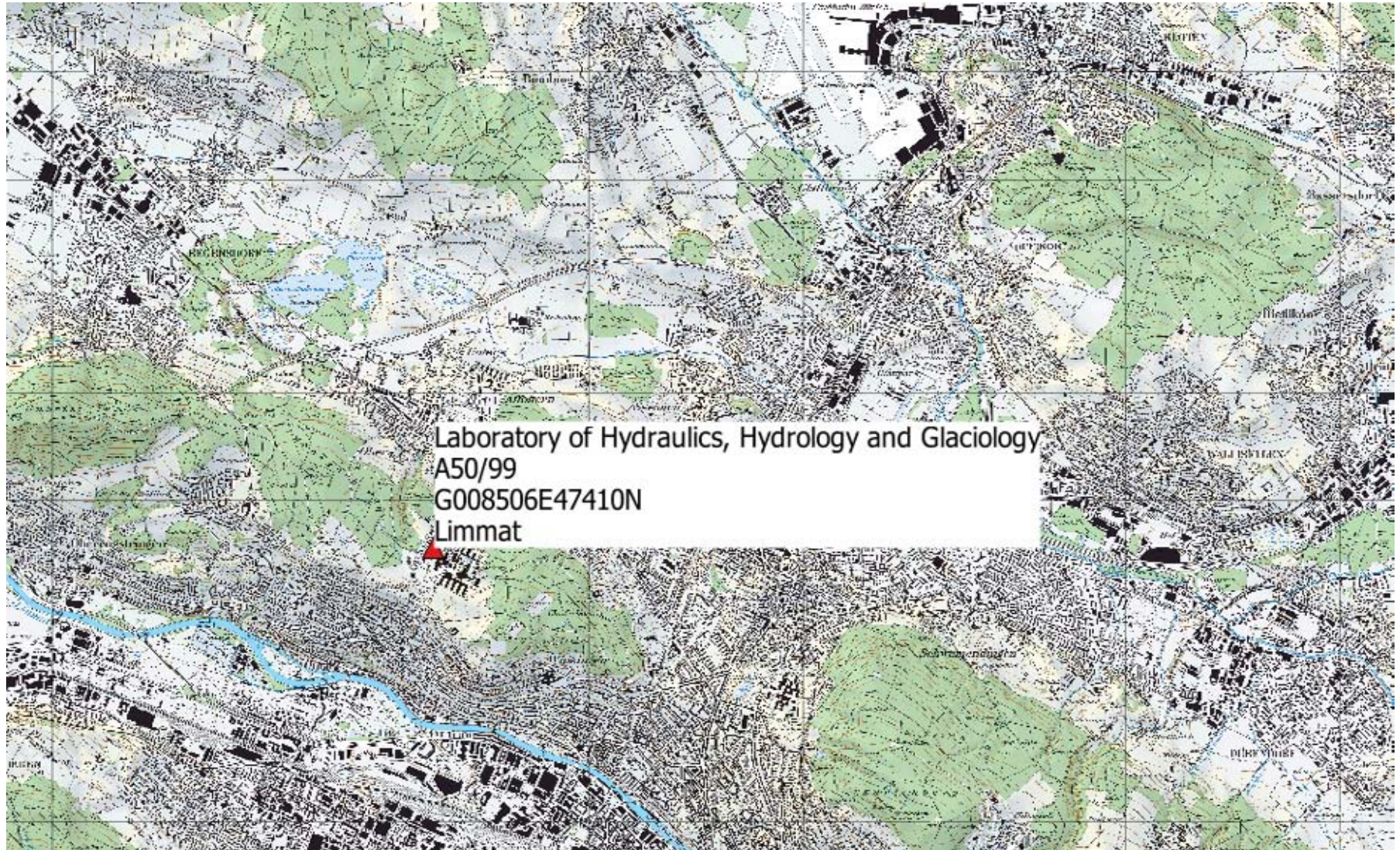
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         'N'::text AS glims_id,
       sgi.sgi_code, g.pk_vaw, g.pk_wgms, g.short_name,
       sgi.river_level_3, sgi.river_level_2, sgi.river_level_1,
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Data Modelling; Normalization: GLIMS-ID



Data Modelling; Normalization: Length variation

- **Input Data:**

```
...
00.00.1881  m-  00.00.1870  -75      -930
00.00.1887  m-  00.00.1886  -100     -1030
...
00.00.1897  m-  00.00.1896  -6       -1059
...
```

- **Data Definition Language (DDL):**

```
CREATE TABLE length_change.length_change_data (
    pk      uuid      NOT NULL CONSTRAINT length_change_data_pk PRIMARY KEY,
    fk_glacier  smallint  NOT NULL REFERENCES base_data.glacier,
    date_from  date     NOT NULL,
    date_from_quality  smallint  NOT NULL
    REFERENCES length_change.date_quality_type,
    ...
    variation_quantitative  decimal(10,2)  NOT NULL,
    ...
```

Data Modelling; Normalization: Length variation

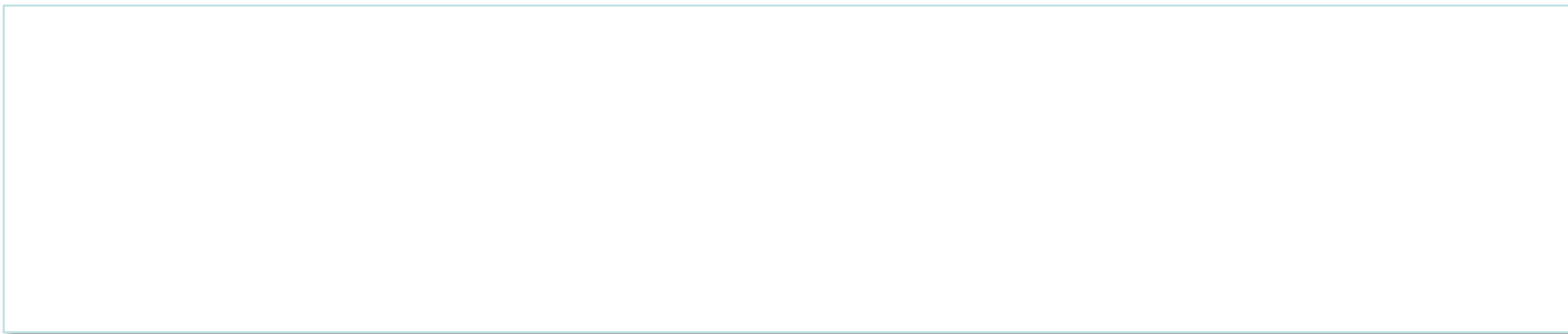
- **Data Query Language (DQL) Example 1:**

SELECT

```
    lcd.fk_glacier, g.short_name glacier_short_name,  
    ...  
    lcd.variation_quantitative,  
    sum(variation_quantitative)  
        OVER (PARTITION BY fk_glacier ORDER BY date_to)  
        AS variation_quantitative_cumulative
```

FROM

```
    length_change.length_change_data lcd  
INNER JOIN base_data.vw_glacier_identification g ON  
    g.pk_vaw = lcd.fk_glacier;
```



Data Modelling; Normalization: Length variation

- **Data Query Language (DQL) Example 2: Moving window**

SELECT

full_name,
variation_year, variation_cumulative_subset, variation_cumulative

FROM

(**SELECT** year_from, year_to, glacier_full_name full_name, variation,
sum(variation) **OVER** (**PARTITION BY** glacier_full_name)

AS variation_cumulative_subset,
variation_cumulative

FROM length_change.web_length_change_summary

WHERE year_to **BETWEEN** 2010 **AND** 2015) **AS** length_change_subset

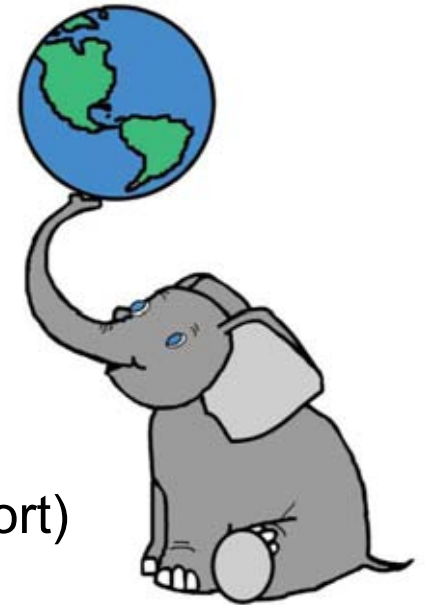
WHERE year_to = 2015;

Data Modelling; Geometry and Coordinate System

- **Extending PostgreSQL with PostGIS**
- **Spatial Data Types (points, lines, polygons, raster, ...)**
- **Extensive Spatial Operations (intersect, join, ...)**

```
CREATE TABLE base_data.sgi_region (  
    ...  
    geom geometry(PolygonZ, 4326) NOT NULL,  
    ...  
);
```

- **WGS-84 as horizontal Reference System**
- `ST_Transform(geometry, from_proj, to_proj);`
- Compatibility: LV03 and LV95, Neighbouring countries
- NTv2 Transformation WGS-84 => LV03 (on-the-fly)
- FINELTRA Transformation LV03 => WGS-84 (data import)
- **LN02 as vertical Reference System**



Part 2

Topographical Landscape Model Collaboration with swisstopo

Topographical Landscape Model (TLM)

- TLM is produced directly on the basis of aerial images
=> Not a cartographical representations of features!
- Consistent quality, long-term maintenance, country-wide
- Accuracy < 2 m
- Features divided into categories: e.g. Roads, Buildings, Hydrography, Names, Land Cover, ...
- Geometries based on topological rules (e.g. overlaps, ...)

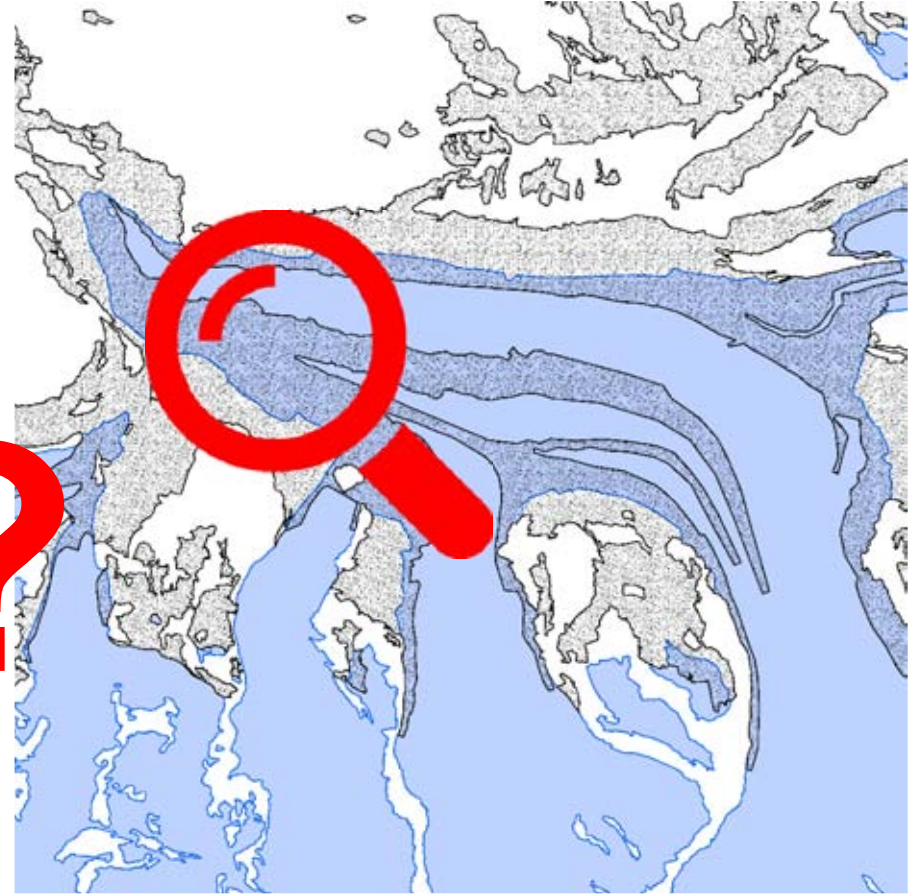
Relevant feature classes and object types for GLAMOS:

- **TLM_BODENBEDECKUNG.Gletscher** [Glacier]
- **TLM_BODENBEDECKUNG.Lockergestein** [unconsolidated rock]
- **TLM_FLIESSGEWAESSER** [Watercourse]

VECTOR25 vs. swissTLM3D



VECTOR25 – Cartographical Model

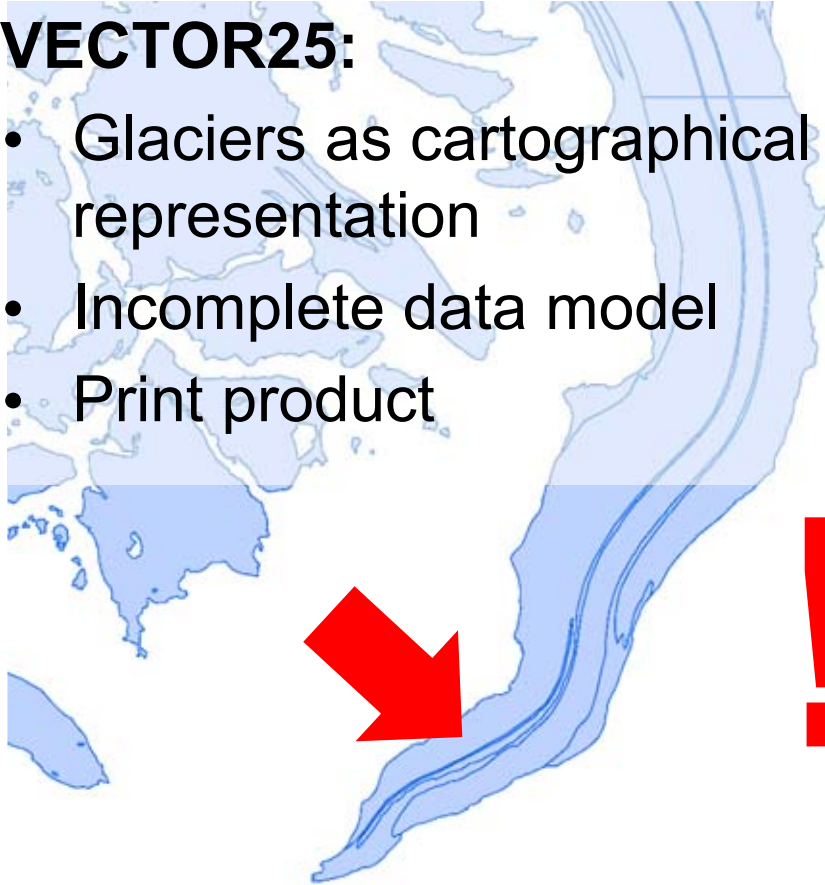


swissTLM3D – Topographical Model

VECTOR25 vs. swissTLM3D

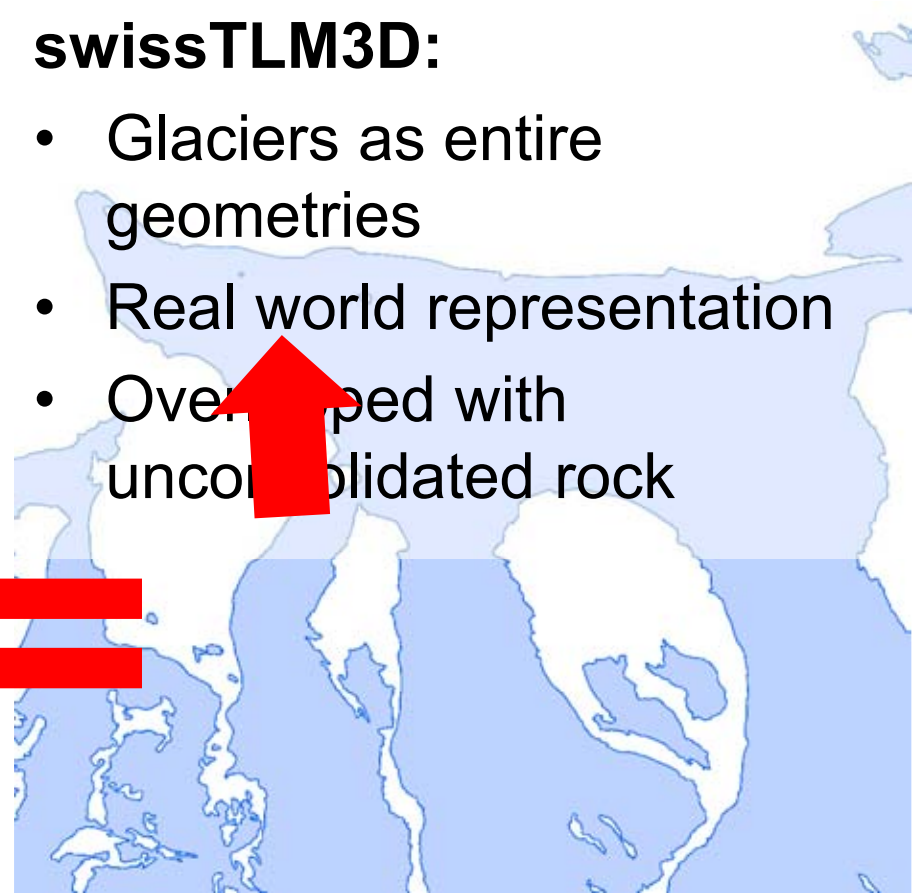
VECTOR25:

- Glaciers as cartographical representation
- Incomplete data model
- Print product



swissTLM3D:

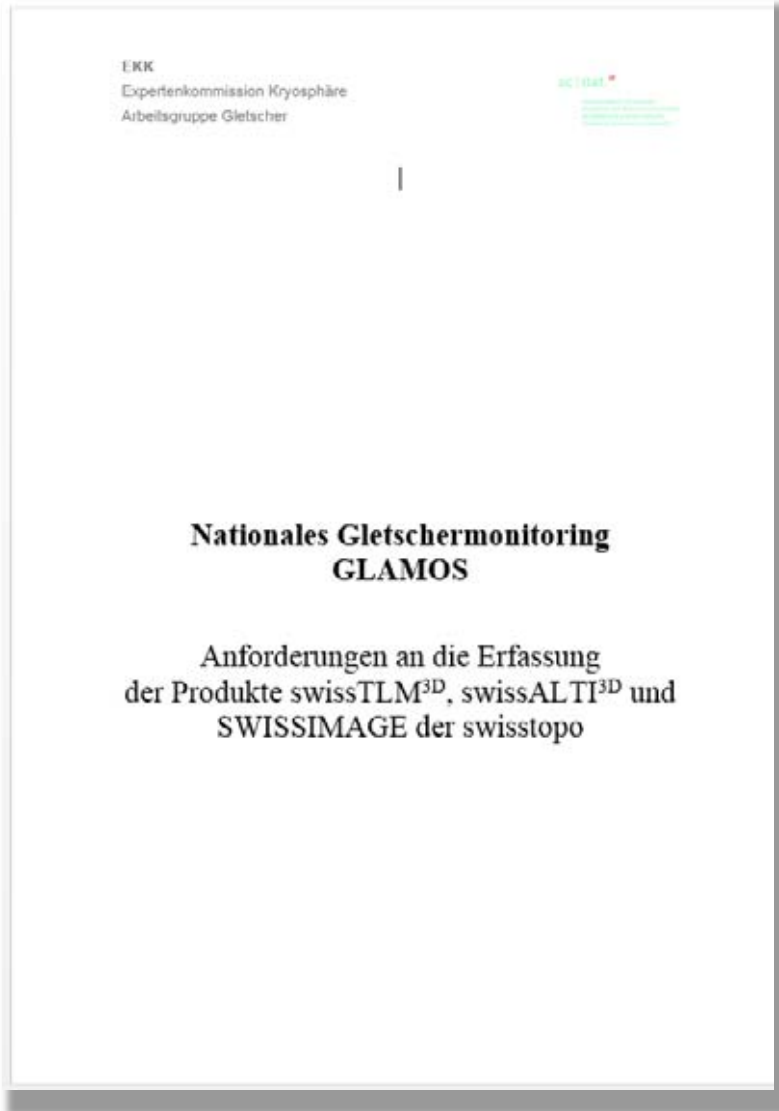
- Glaciers as entire geometries
- Real world representation
- Overlapped with unconsolidated rock



VECTOR25 – Cartographical Model

TLM – Topographical Model

Requirements Specification



Detailed Requirements Specification by the *Cryospheric Commission* for the attention of *swisstopo*

(Weidmann et al., 2015)

Products:

- swissTLM3D
- swissALTI3D
- SWISSIMAGE

Flight Service:

- ADS Aerial Photographs
- Flight Planning

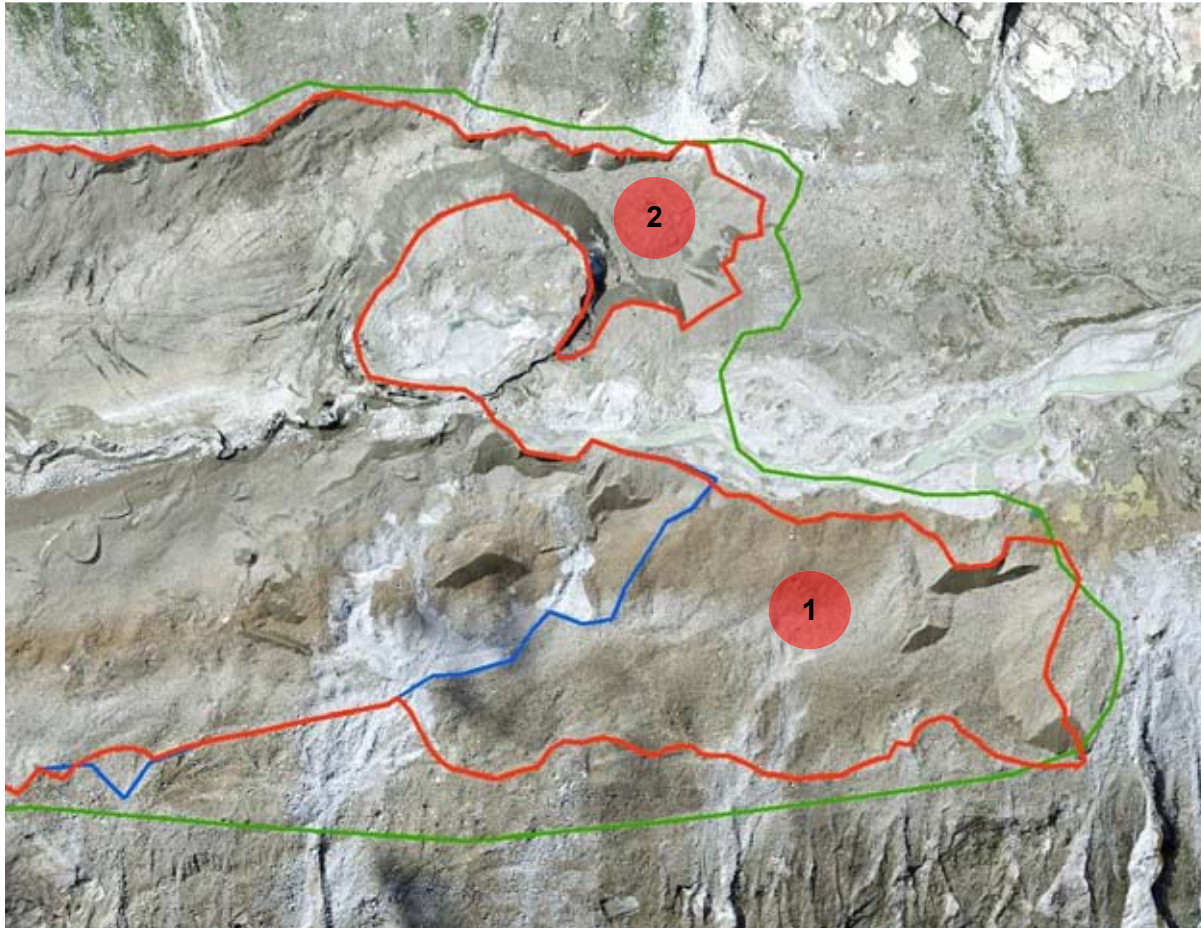
Workshop @ swisstopo; With entire TLM team



August 11th 2016

Mauro Fischer, Matthias Huss, Yvo Weidmann

Workshop @ swisstopo; Examples / Discussions

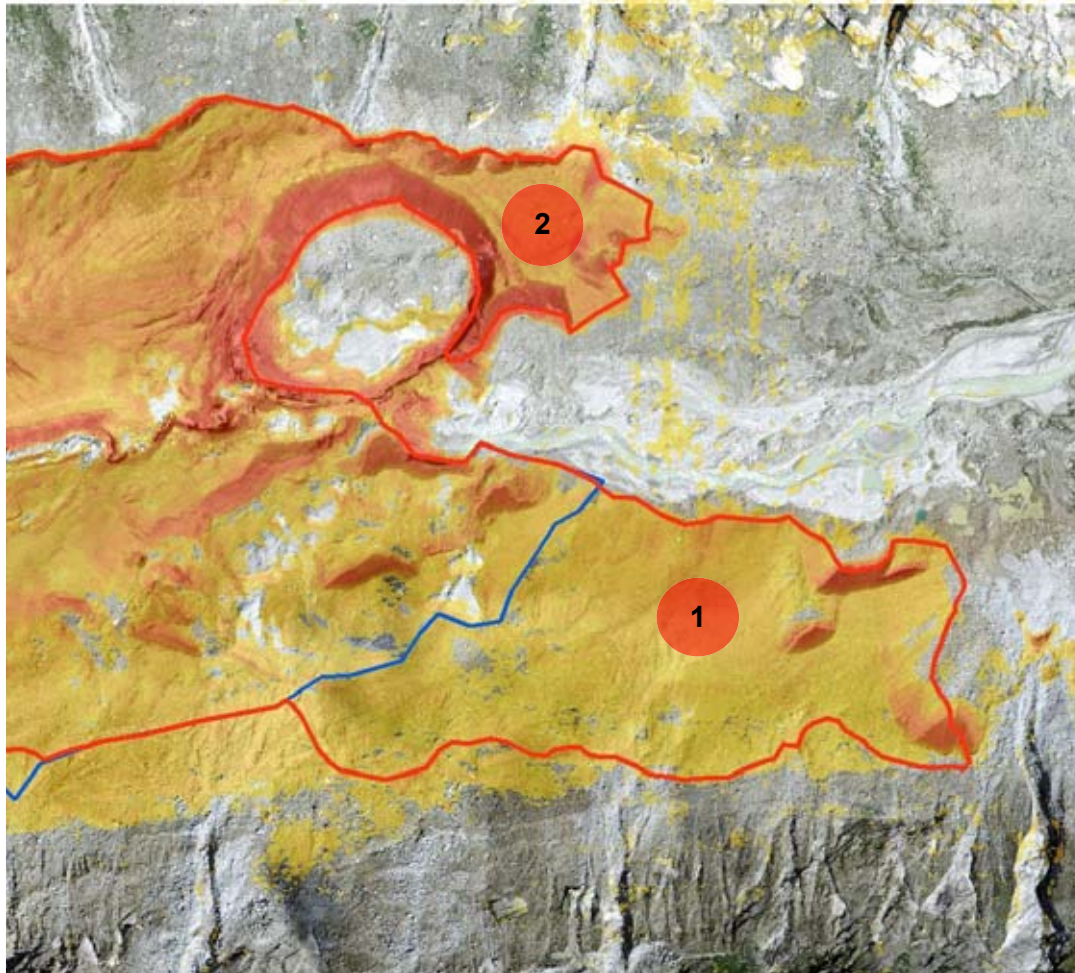


Differences of Geometries by TLM, SGI-2010 and VAW:

- **swissTLM3D**
- **SGI-2010**
- **VAW**



Workshop @ swisstopo; Examples / Discussions

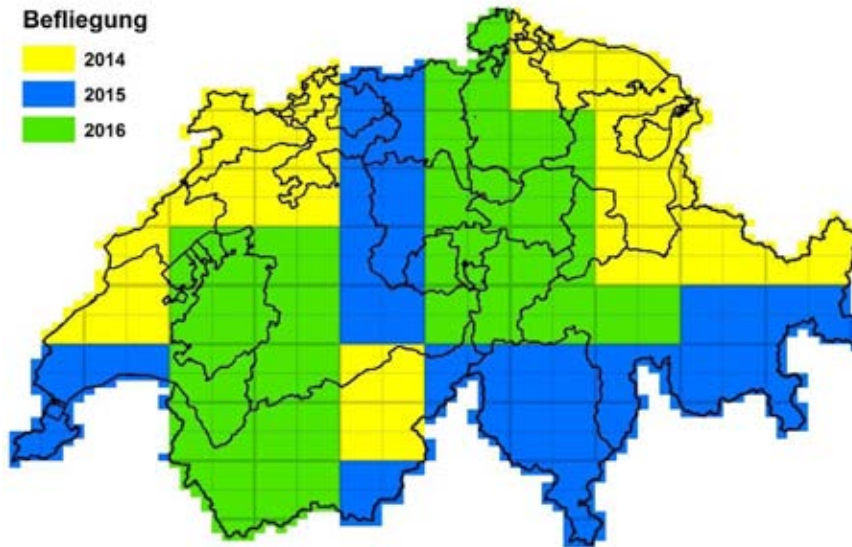


DSM-Difference 2015 – 2014 [m]

- DSM-Difference as background in production chain
- Multi-Year stereo-imagery
- Entire history of TLM geometries
- 2m tolerance
- Fixed glacier cut-lines as superficial watersheds

Production @ swisstopo; Adaptions

- Adapted Flight Plans ≥ 2017
(Catchments as boundaries, entire glaciers, ...)



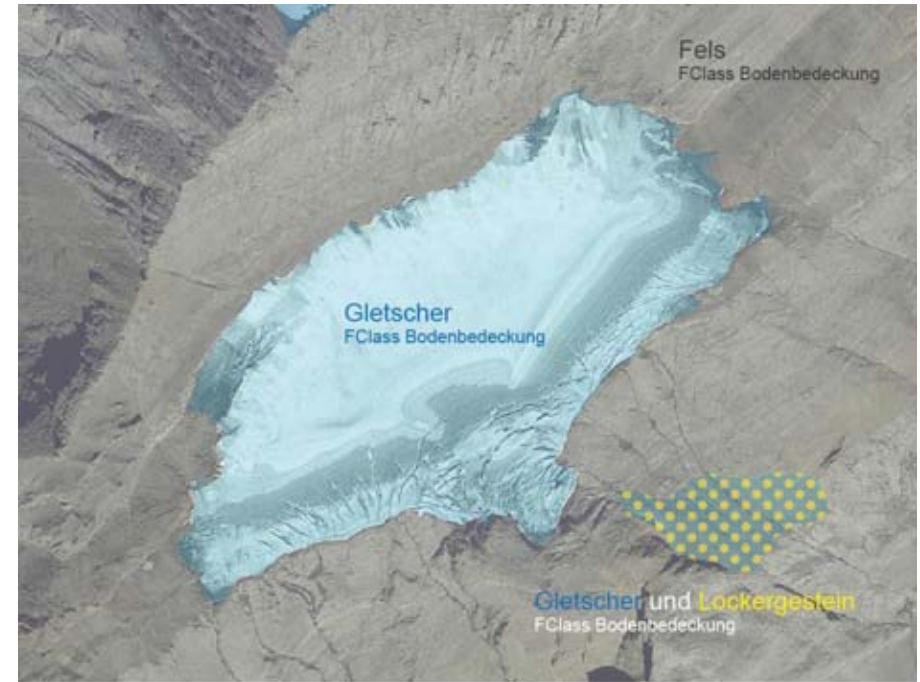
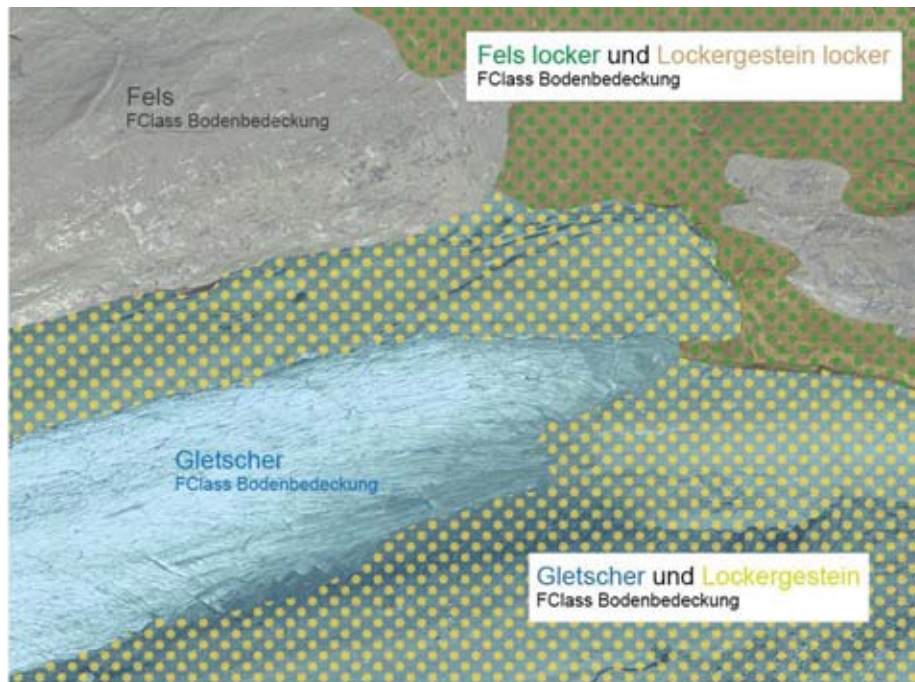
< 2017



≥ 2017

Production @ swisstopo; Adaption

- **Extended internal guidelines based on Requirements Specification, introducing DHM as background, ...**
- **Entire team of TLM operators working on topic Glacier**
- **Cooperation and exchange with VAW**



Figures by swisstopo

Production @ swisstopo; Outcome

swissTLM3D:

- **2016 ongoing: Acquisition of glacier geometries based on GLAMOS requirements (fully 3D)**
- **2017 ongoing: Attribution of glacier geometries with Swiss Glacier Inventory identification**
- **Approx. 2020: First country-wide coverage of «new» TLM glacier geometries => SGI-2020^{3D}**

swissALTI3D:

- **In process ...**

SWISSIMAGE:

- **Availability of SWISSIMAGE – Remote Sensing (RS)**

Part 3

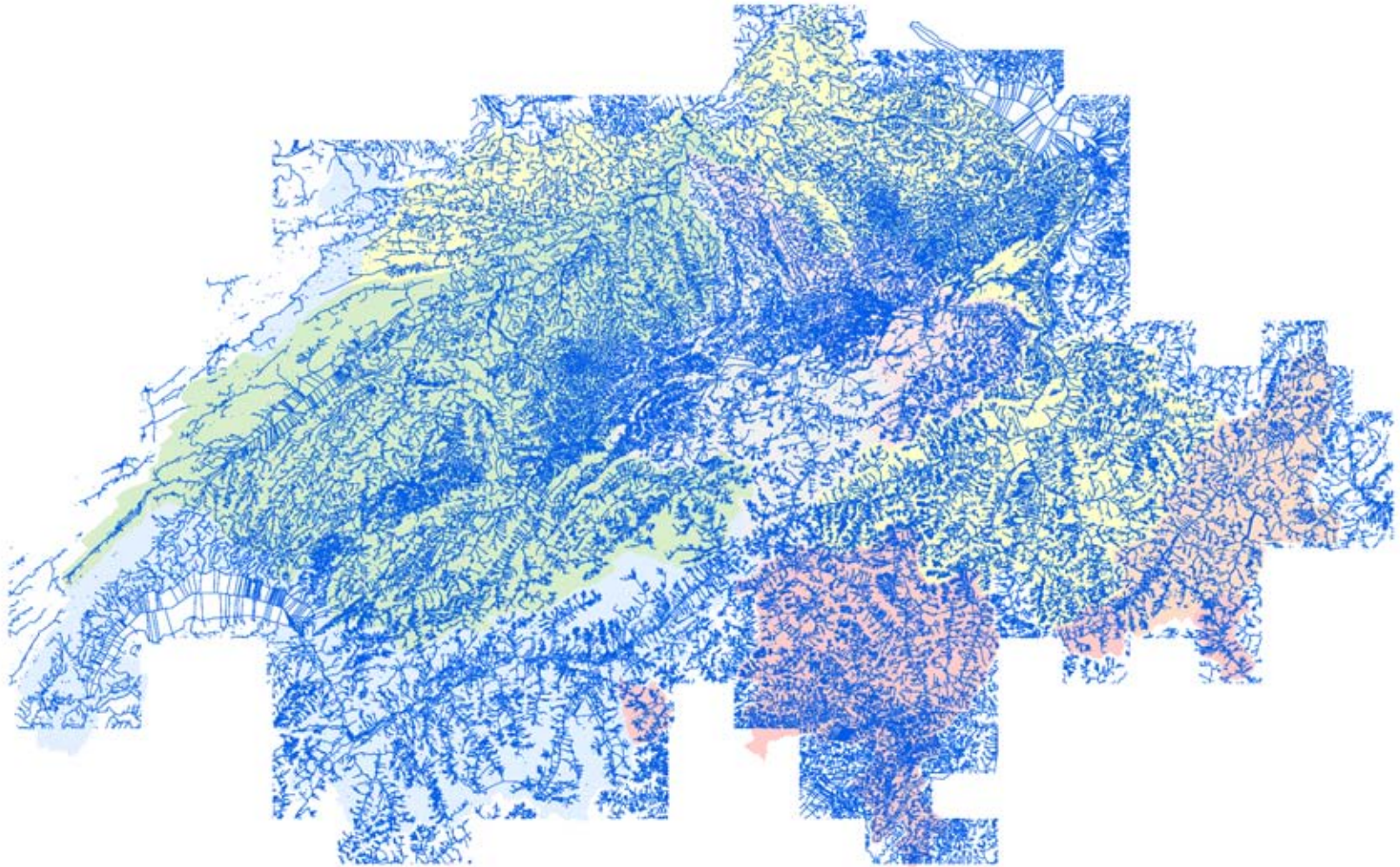
Linkage to Hydrological Network

Swiss Hydrological Network

Country-wide vector dataset

- **Part of the swissTLM3D**
- **Maintained by swisstopo and FOEN**
- **Address System using Unique Identifier and Distance**
GWLNR + MEASURE (== Linear Referencing System)
- **Reference dataset for ecological surveys and hydropower residual water**
- **Part of the Federal Data Modell based on the Geoinformationsverordnung GeoIV (ID GeoIV 38.3)**

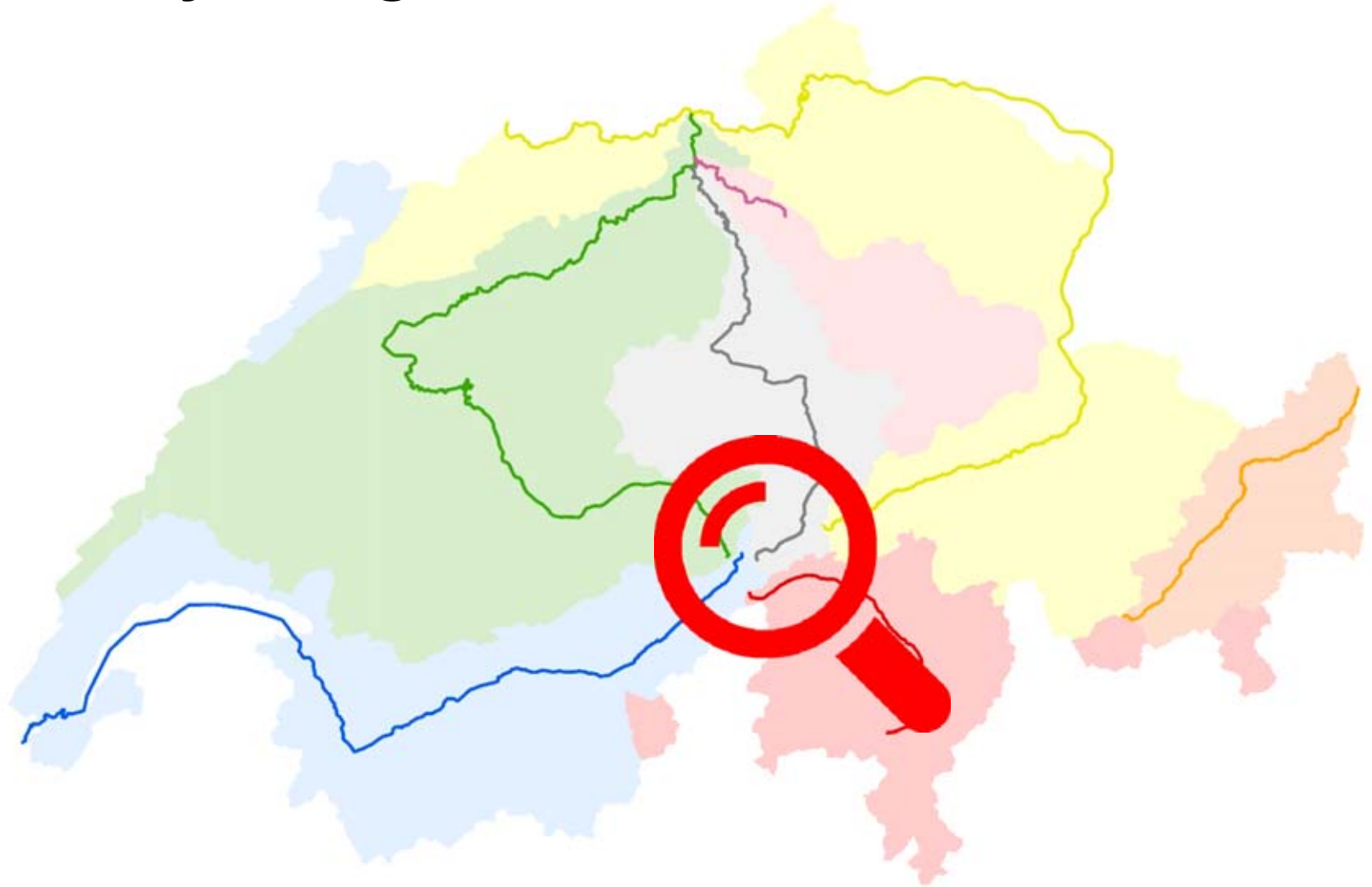
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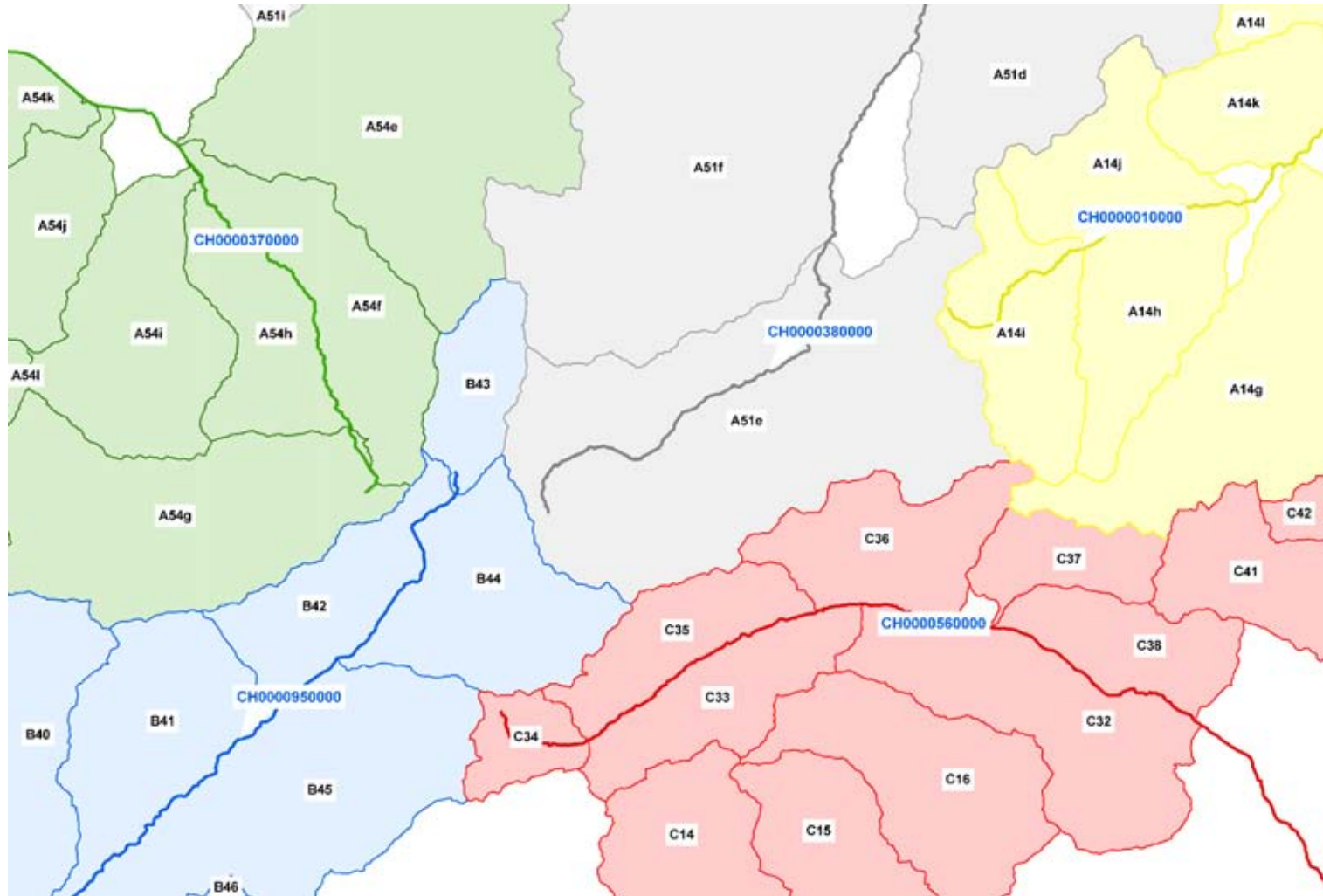
Approx. 275'000 individual segments

Approx. 100'000 individual watercourses

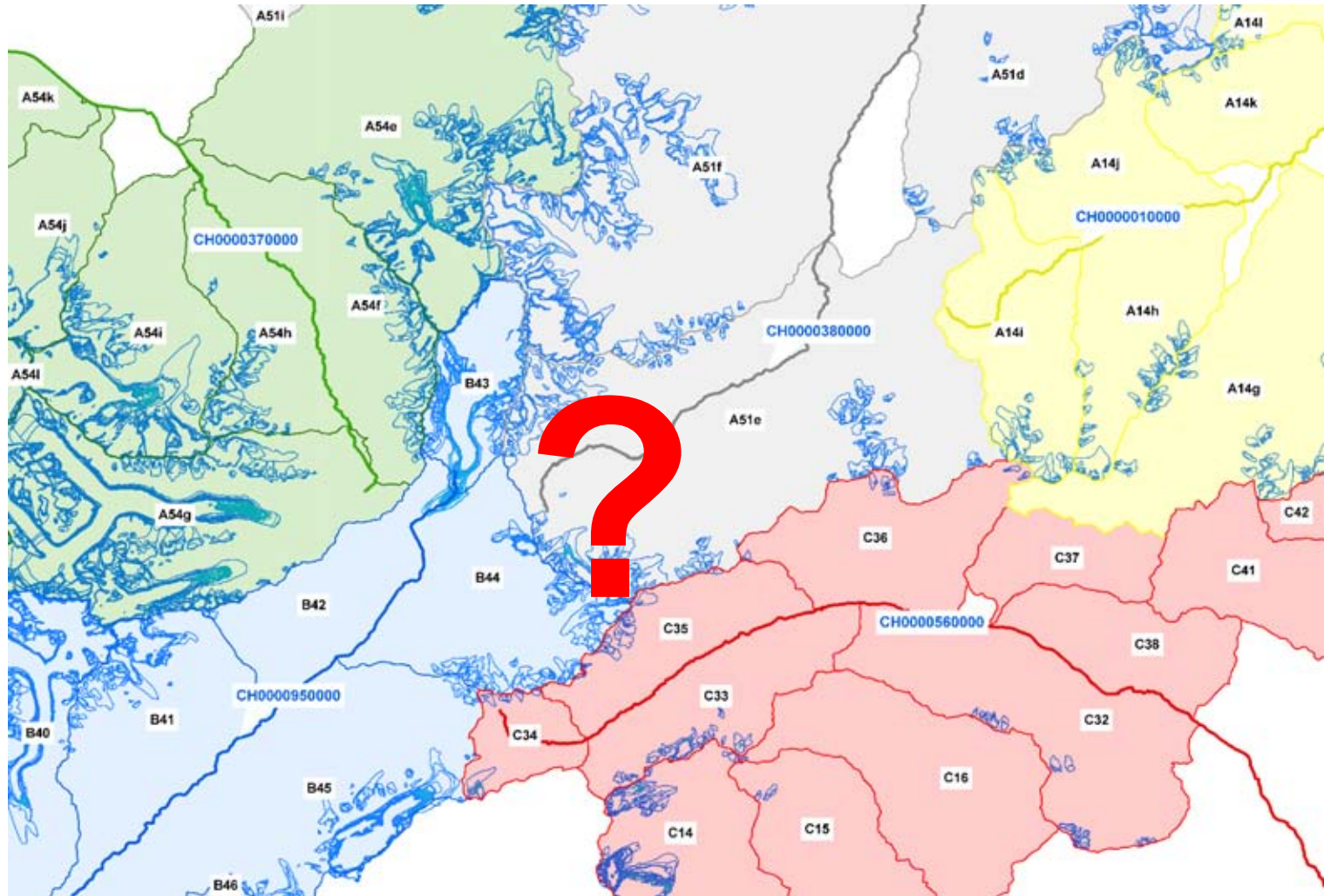
Swiss Hydrological Network



River Network ID vs. Swiss Glacier Inventory ID



Linkage River Network and Swiss Glacier Inventory

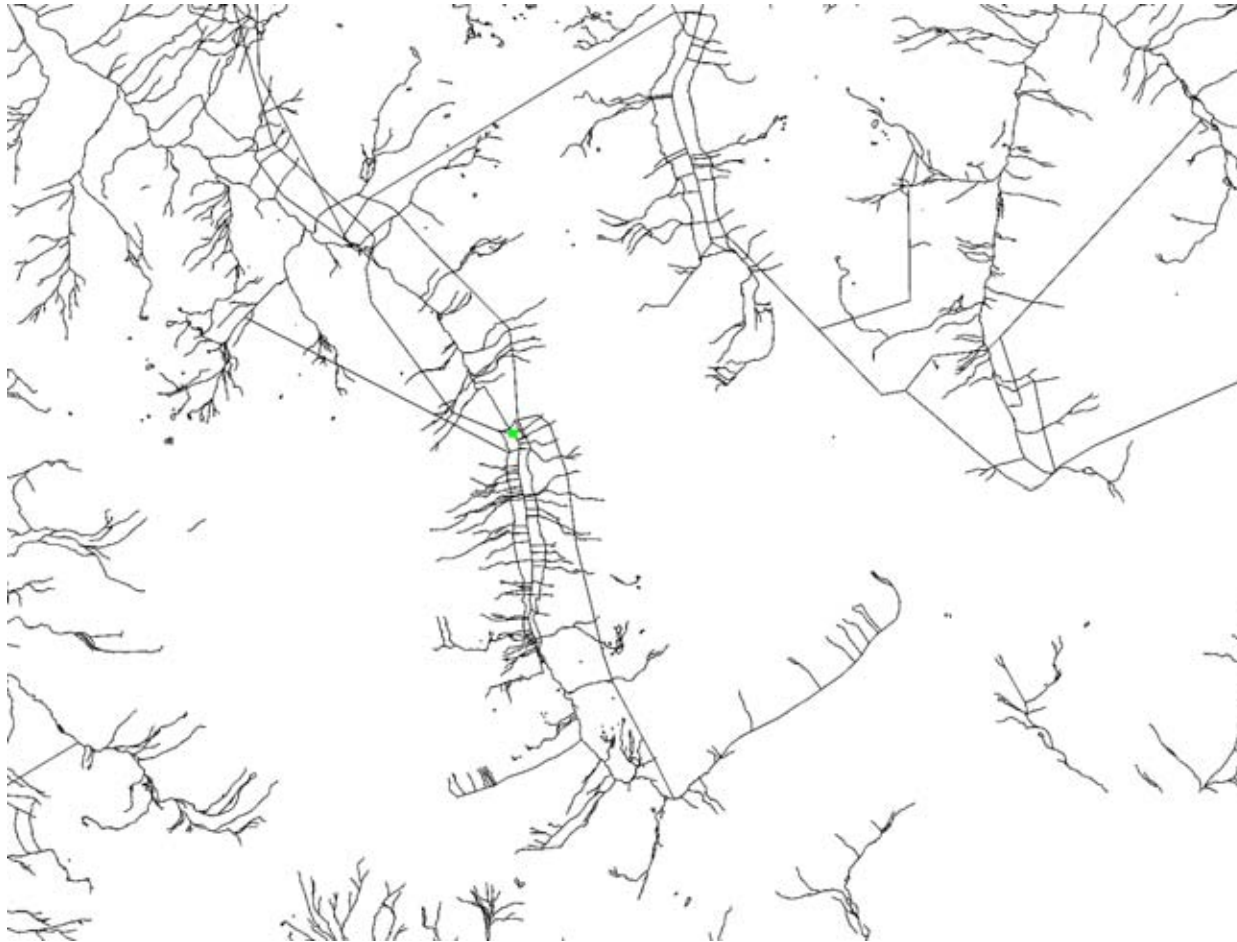


Linkage River Network and Swiss Glacier Inventory



Application

- **Example: Upstream Analysis**



Glacier

+ RiverLevel3
+ RiverLevel2
+ RiverLevel1
+ RiverLevel0
+ Counter

0 .. n

Has glaciers

Belongs to SGI Region

1

SGI Region

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+ GWLNR
+ Measure

0 .. n

Has SGI areas

Is connected to drainage

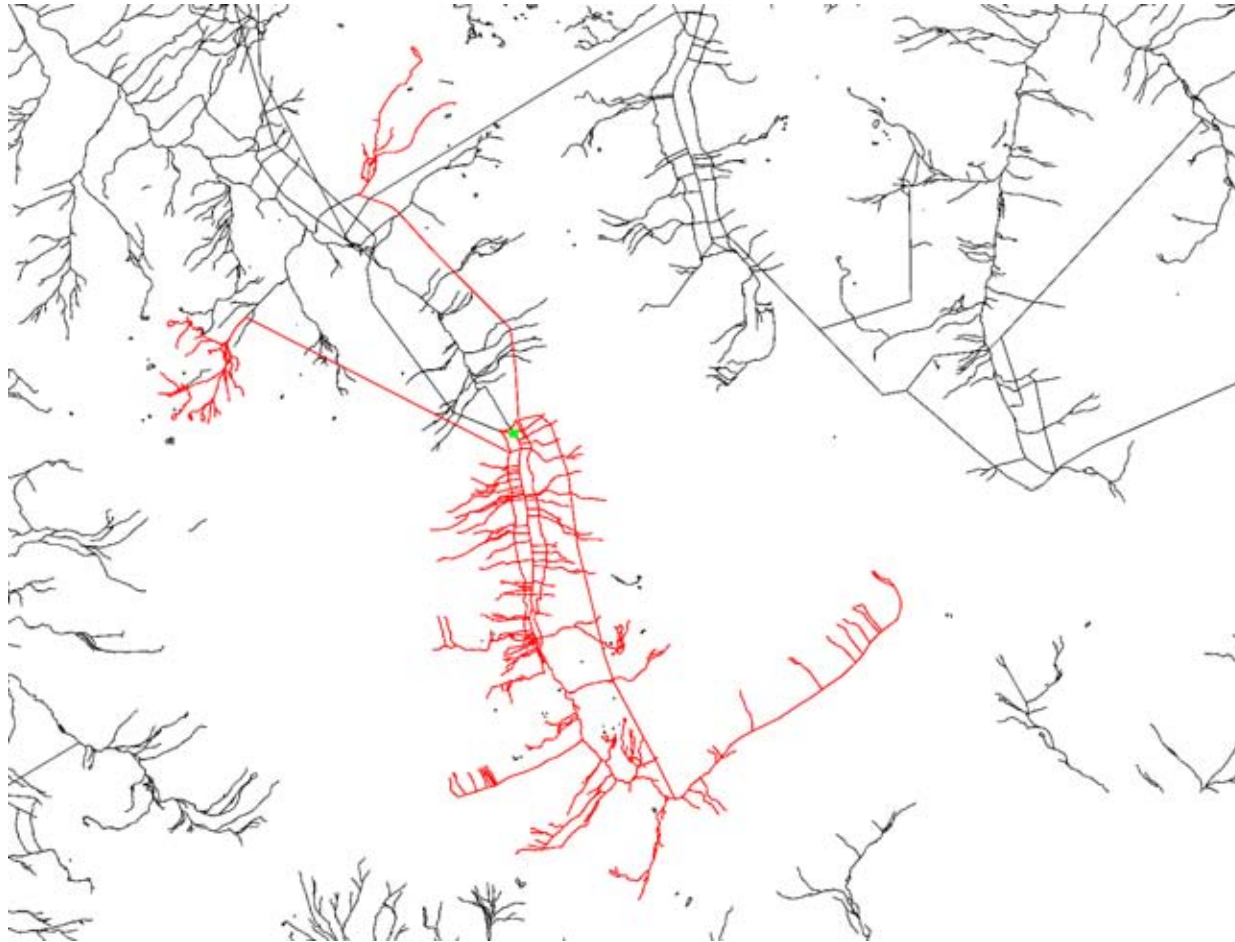
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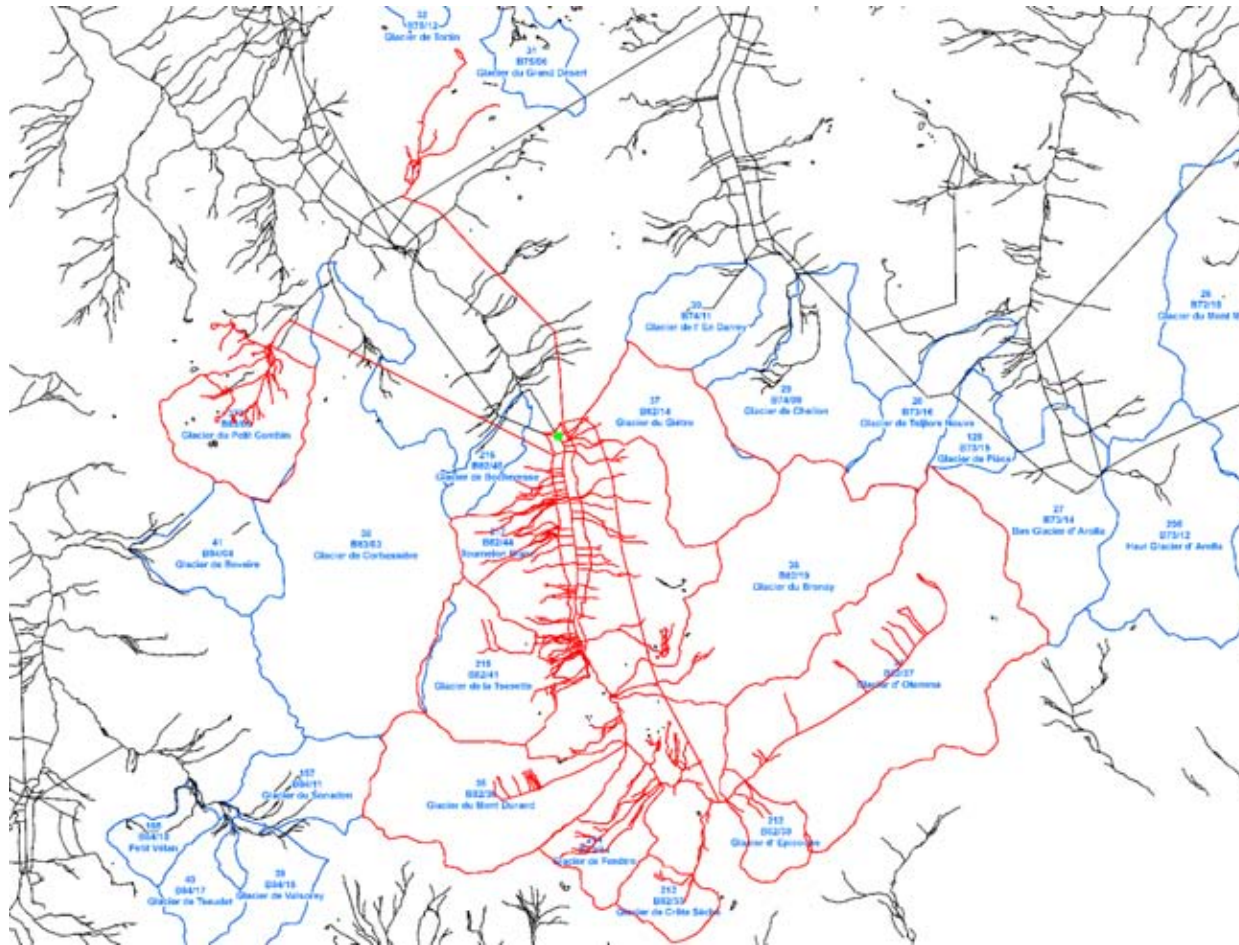
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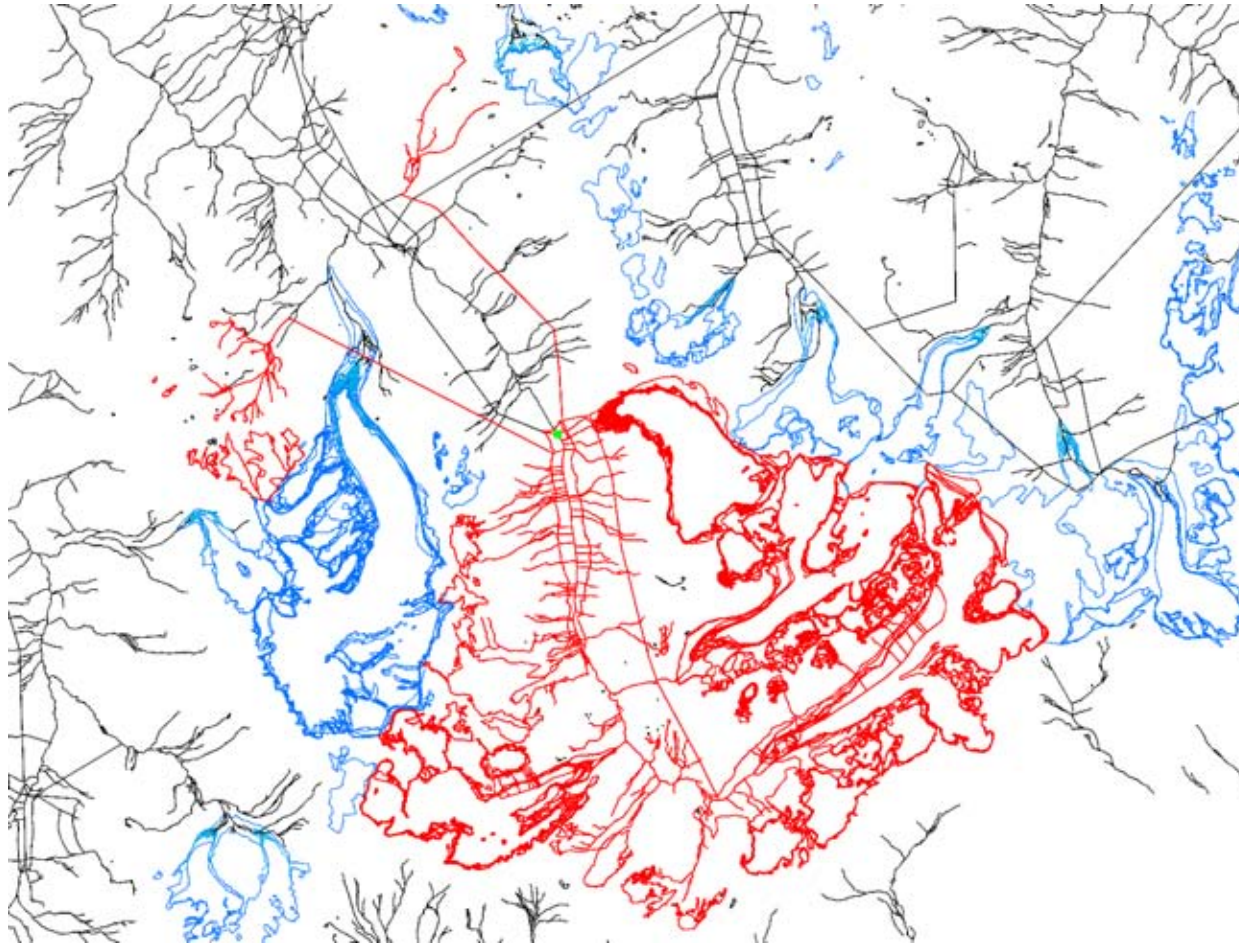
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Part 4

Data Publication

Geometries and Maps; Web Services

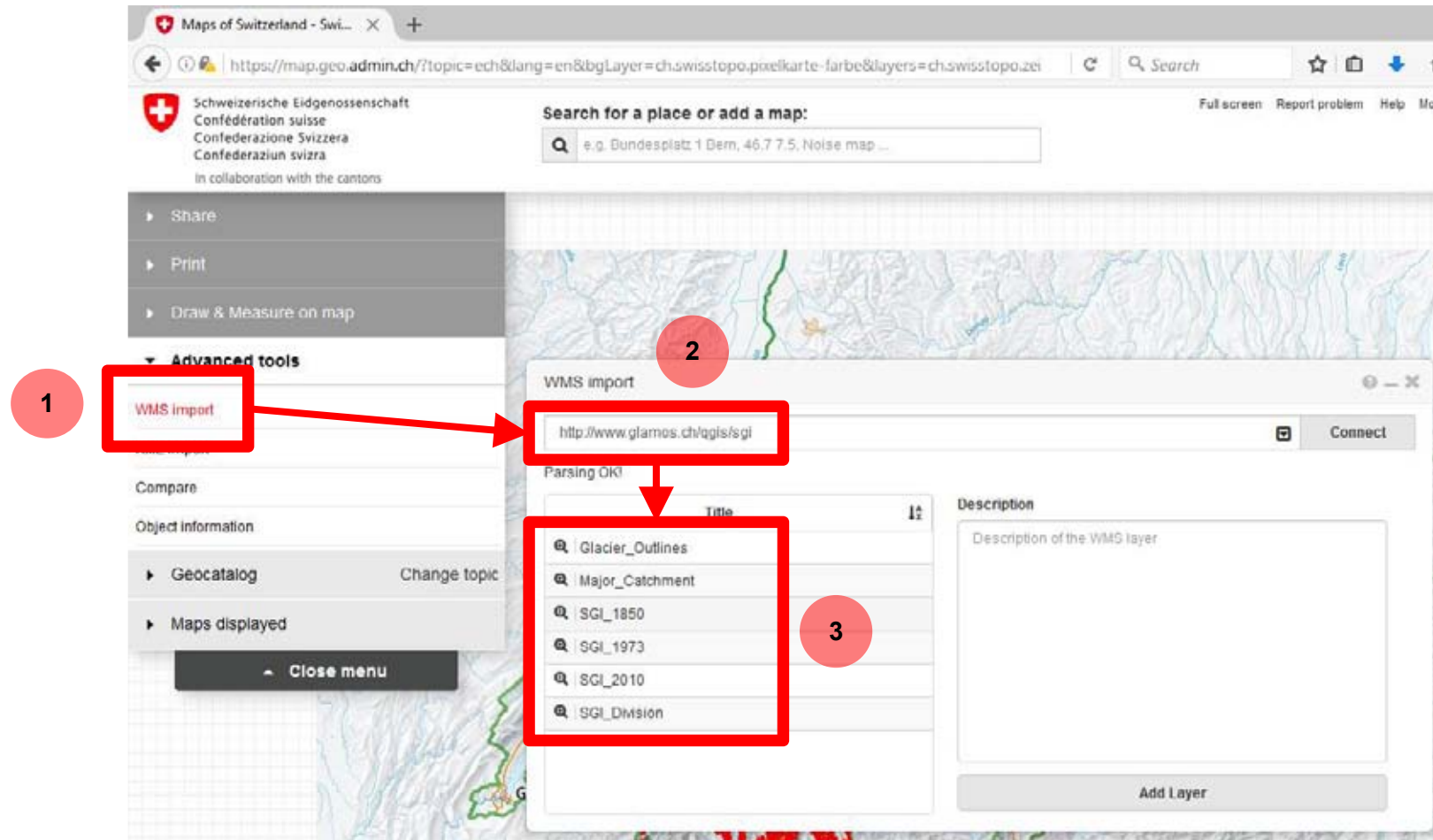
- **Providing OGC Web service standards**
 - WMS (rendered maps)
 - WFS (individual features)
 - WCS (raster data ≥ 8 bit, e.g. DSM, Ortho imagery, ...)
- **Provided by QGIS-Server on www.glamos.ch**

<http://www.glamos.ch/qgis/sgi>

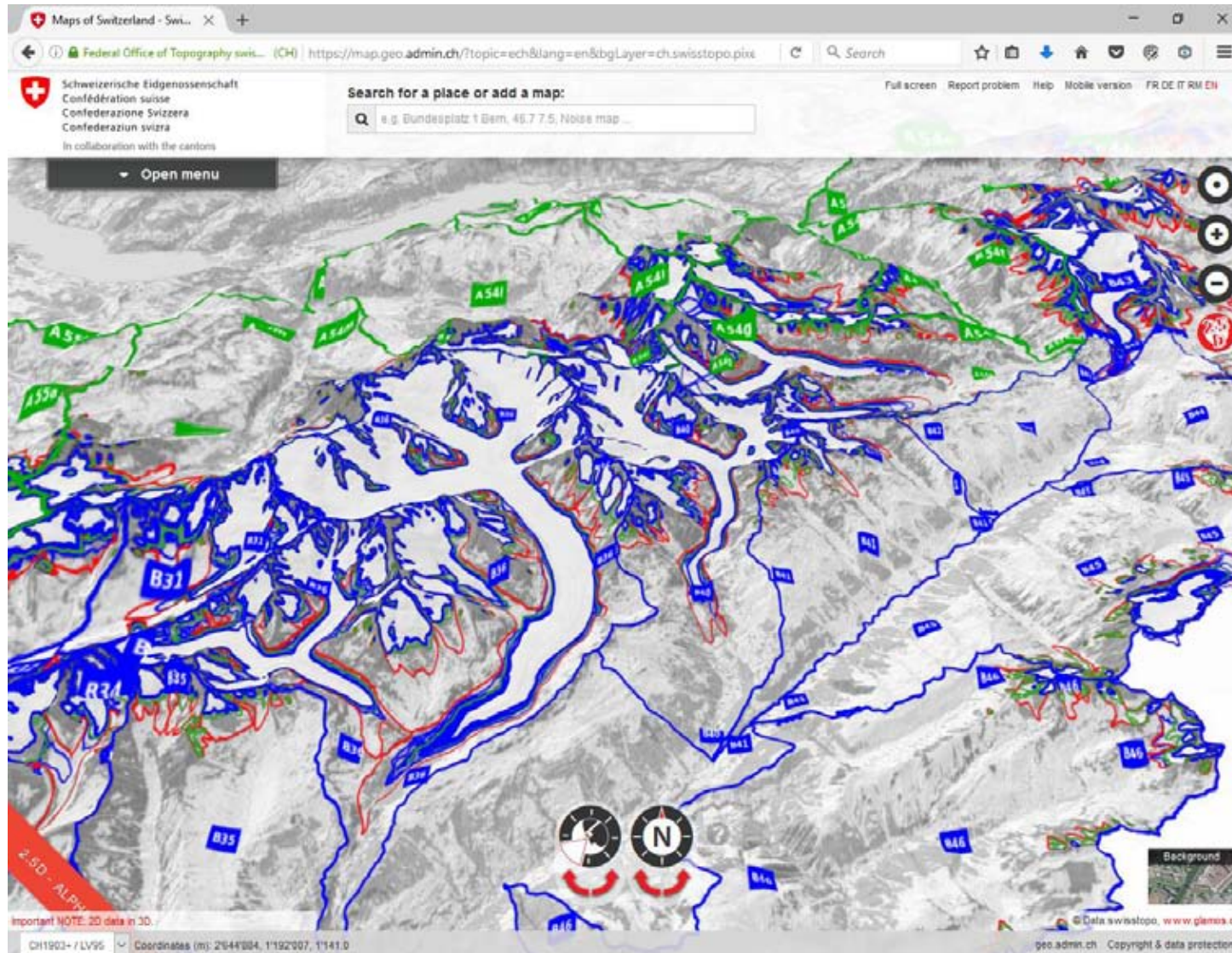
- **WMS implementation in all major GIS applications**
- **map.geo.admin.ch**
- **OpenLayers and other WebMap-API**
- ...

Geometries and Maps; Web Services @ NGDI

- map.geo.admin.ch -> Advanced tools -> WMS Import



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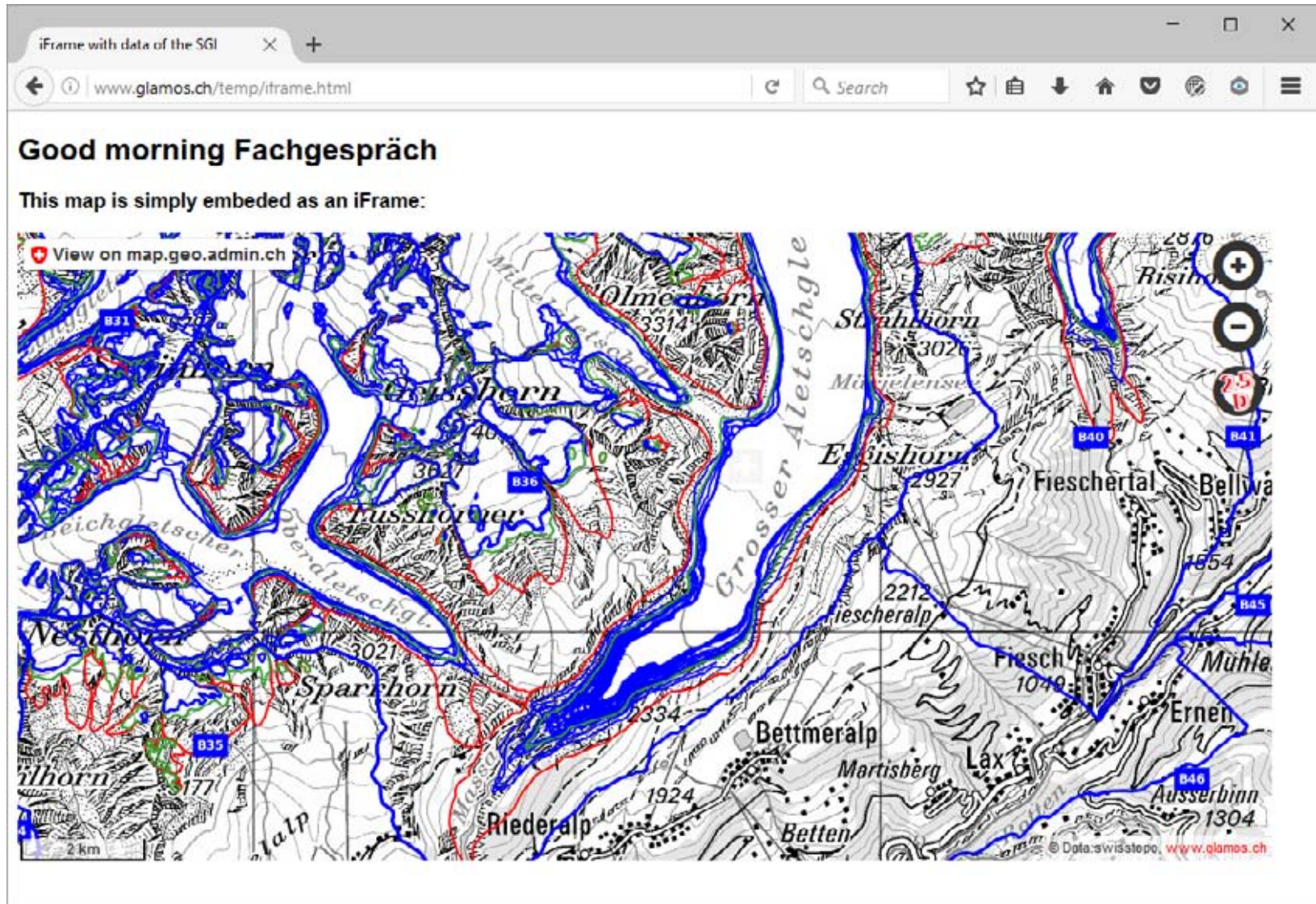


Geometries and Maps; Web Services @ iFrame

- **map.geo.admin.ch -> Share -> Embed**

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Geometries and Maps; Web Services @ iFrame



Data; Interactive Graphics

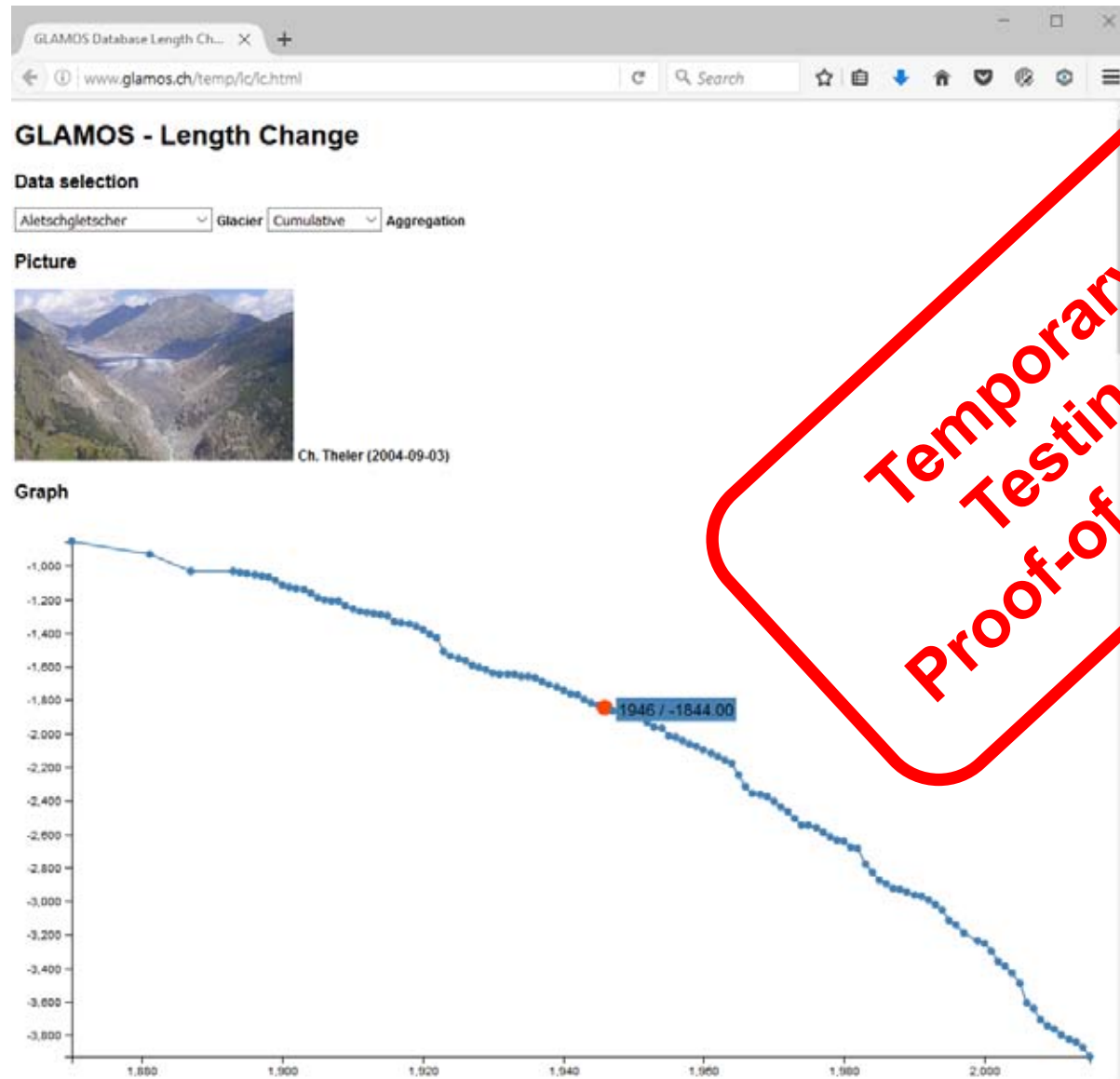
- **Connection between Web server and PostgreSQL server**
 - «Live» data of the database
 - PHP database client, JavaScript Object Notation (JSON)
- **Client-based rendering**
 - Data-Driven Documents JavaScript library (D3.js)
 - Scalable Vector Graphics (SVG) based diagrams (XML syntax)
 - JavaScript and HTML interactivity

<http://www.glamos.ch/temp/mb/index.html>

<http://www.glamos.ch/temp/lc/index.html>

<http://www.glamos.ch/temp/lc/summary.html>

Data; Interactive Graphics



Temporary,
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Proof-of-Concept

Data; Interactive Maps

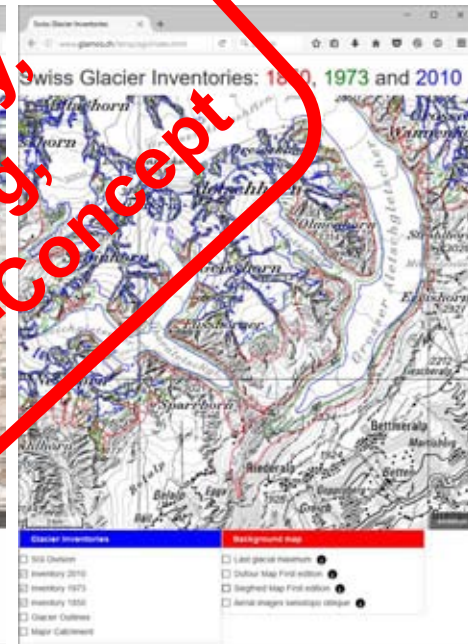
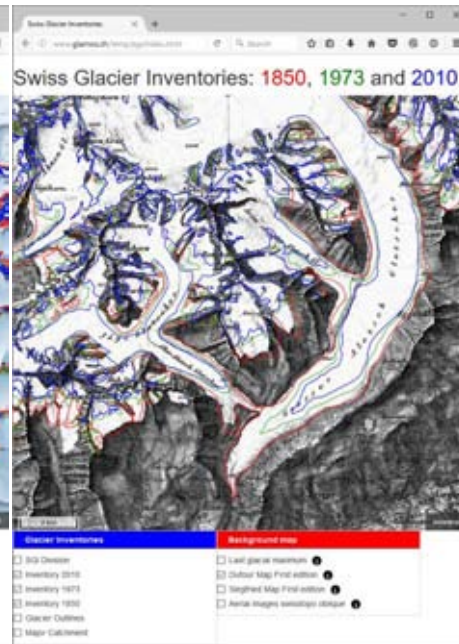
- Realized with the GeoAdmin API (<http://api3.geo.admin.ch/>)
- Most data of the NGDI available

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Dufour
1845 - 1865

Siegfried
1870 - 1926

PK25
> 1952



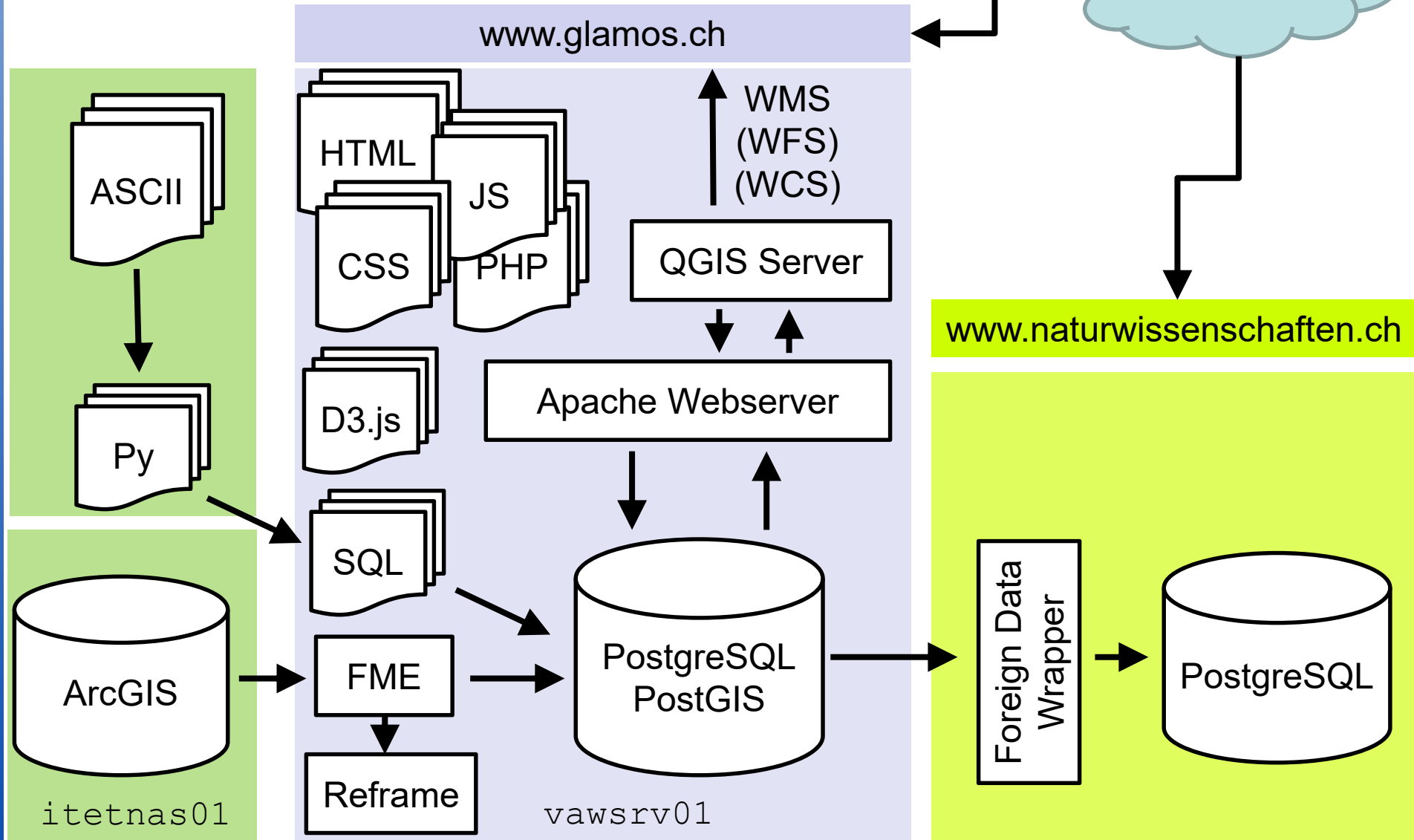
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Part 5

Summary

Infrastructure and Data Flow



Next steps

- **Finalization of data homogenization**
- **Further implementation of the Physical Schema**
- **Further import of the available data**
- **Start of raster data homogenization**

- **Review first swissTLM3D data export**

- **Finalization of web structure**
- **Elaboration concept of GLAMOS website**
- **Definition of data structures for download**
(vector and non-vector data)

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