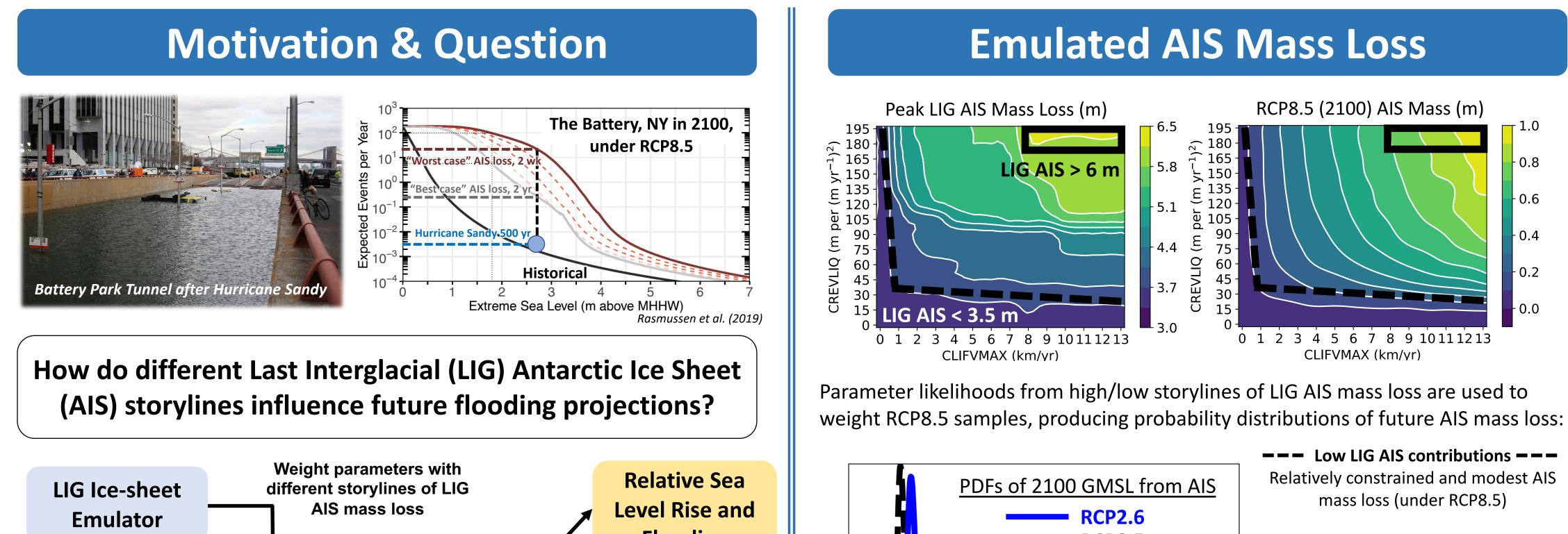
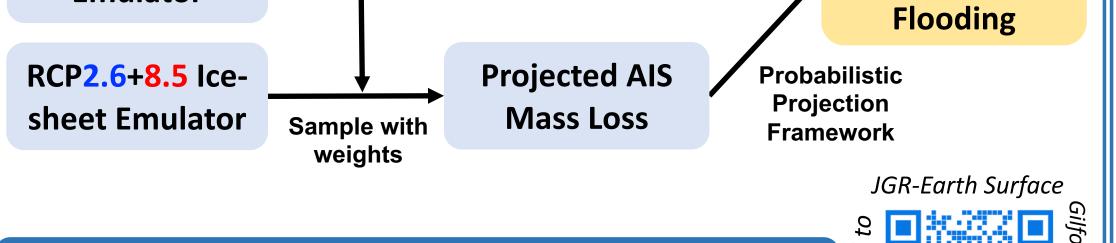
### **Storylines in Last Interglacial Antarctic Ice-Sheet Mass Loss Inform Future Extreme Sea Levels** RUTGERS Atmospheric Sciences

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High LIG AIS contributions More ambiguity and very high AIS mass loss (under RCP8.5)



# **Ice-sheet Instability & Emulation**

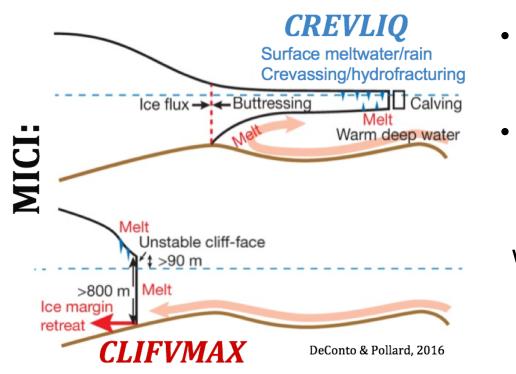


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(<3.5 m)

Low LIG AIS

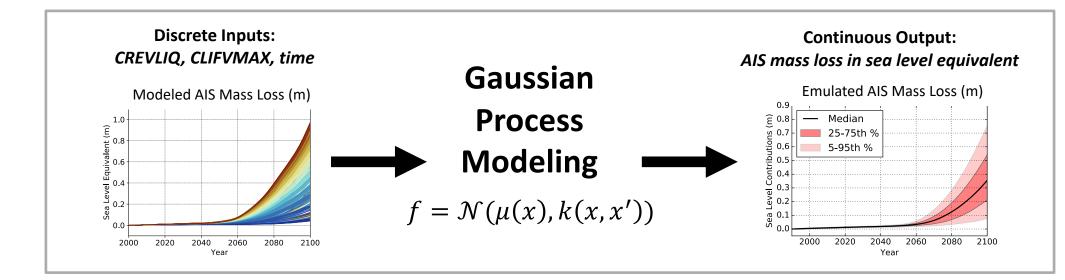
### **Marine Ice Cliff Instability**

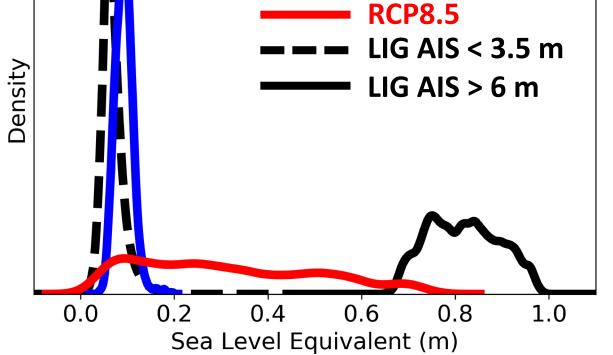


**CREVLIQ**: Proportional sensitivity of model hydrofracturing to surface liquid (m per  $(m/yr)^2$ )

**CLIFVMAX**: Maximum rate (km/yr) of horizontal cliff wastage once an ice cliff becomes mechanically unstable

We emulate three Penn. State University icesheet model ensembles run with these two parameters: LIG and low/high future emissions scenarios (RCP2.6+8.5)



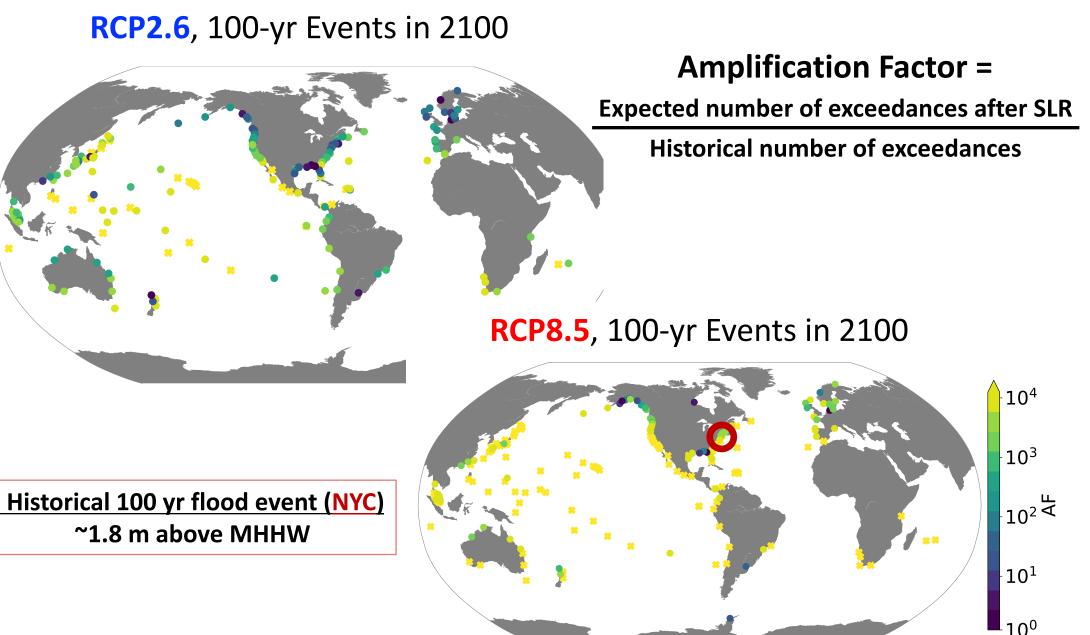


#### **High future emissions**

Substantial ambiguity and potential for very high AIS mass loss (uniform sampling)

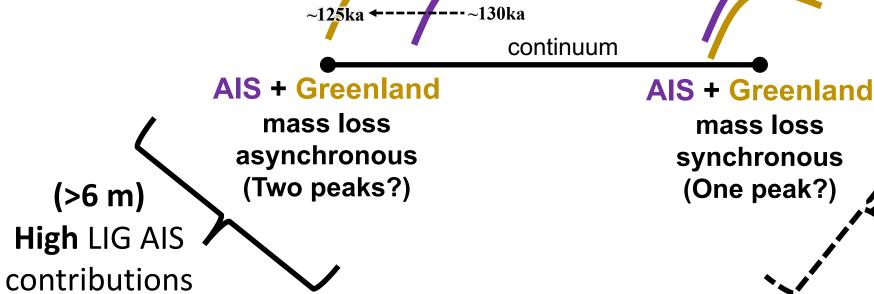
#### Low future emissions Relatively constrained and modest AIS mass loss (uniform sampling)

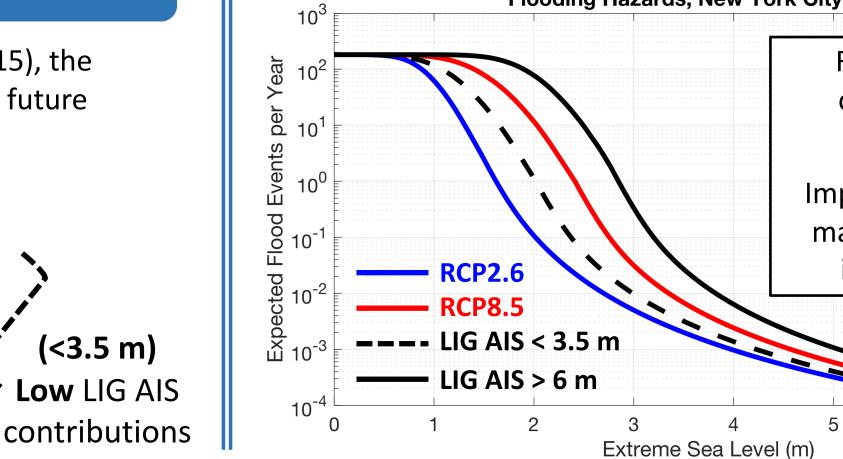
# **Flooding Hazards in 2100**



#### LIG Storylines $10^{3}$ For a fixed peak LIG GMSL (~6–9 m above present, Dutton et al. 2015), the Year 10' assumed relative contributions of each ice-sheet strongly influence future project constraints, e.g.:

Flooding Hazards, New York City (2100)





Regardless of AIS storyline, the best outcome is associated with a lower emissions world, but... Improved understanding of LIG sea-level magnitudes and timing has potential to improve coastal hazard predictions

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