

Improved Regional Geoid in the Weddell Sea Region, Antarctica, from Heterogeneous Terrestrial Gravity Data

– Electronic supplementary material –

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1 Description of data grid

Table 1: Format description of ASCII grid file and meta information.

Grid domain: 70°W–0°W, 82°S–62°S, spacing 0.125° (7.5') by 0.041667° (2.5')

Order of records: One record per line in scanline format (west to east, north to south)

| column | quantity | unit | tide system | reference ellipsoid |
|--------|--------------------------------|---------|----------------|---------------------|
| 1 | longitude | degrees | not applicable | WGS84 |
| 2 | latitude | degrees | not applicable | WGS84 |
| 3 | height anomaly | m | tide-free | WGS84 |
| 4 | geoid | m | mean-tide | Topex |
| 5 | geoid–quasigeoid separation | m | not applicable | not applicable |
| 6 | estimated uncertainty | m | not applicable | not applicable |
| 7 | estimated empirical resolution | km | not applicable | not applicable |

2 Supplementary figures and tables

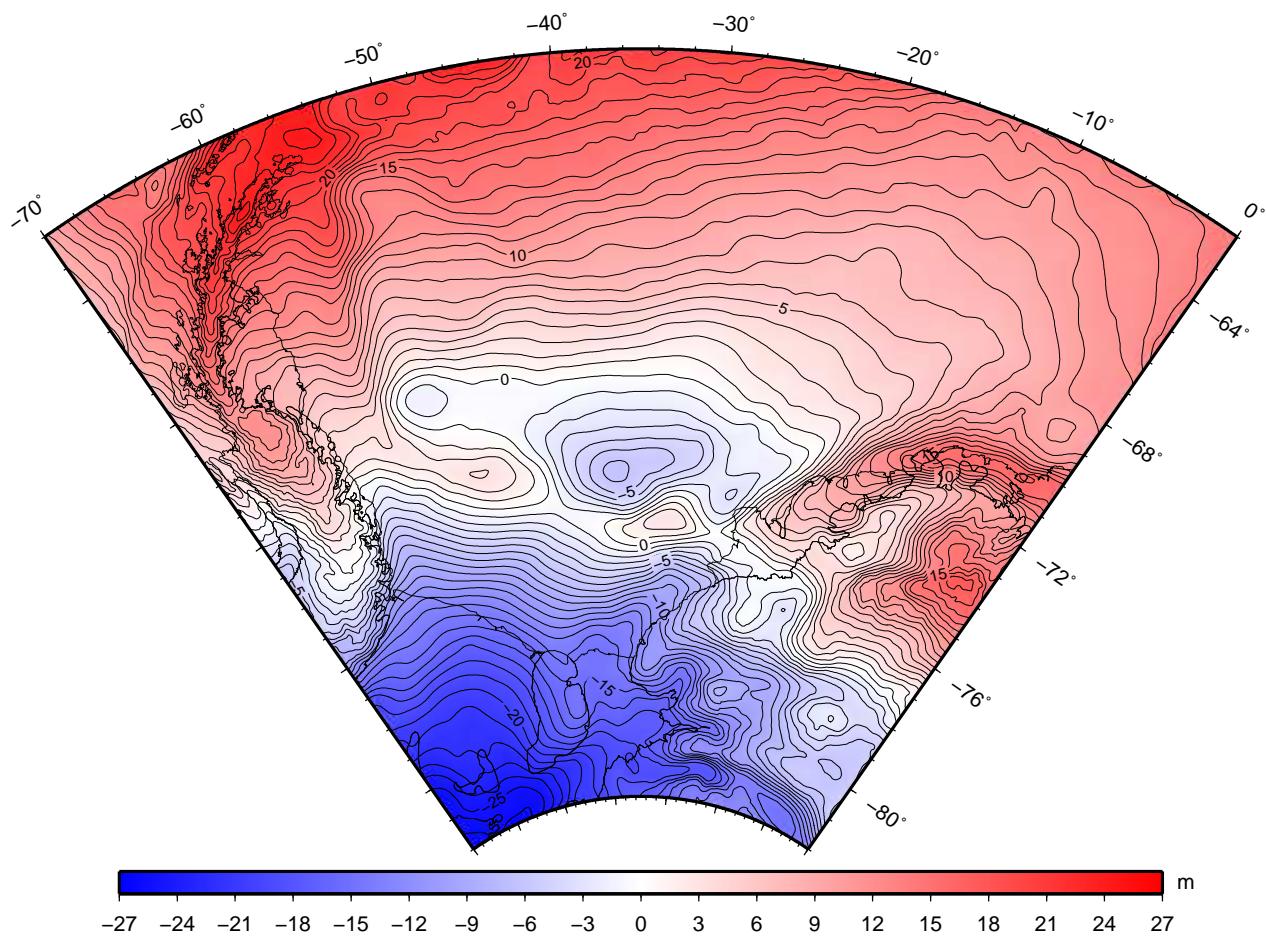


Figure 1: Improved geoid in the mean-tide system w.r.t. the Topex ellipsoid (data column 4 in Table 1)

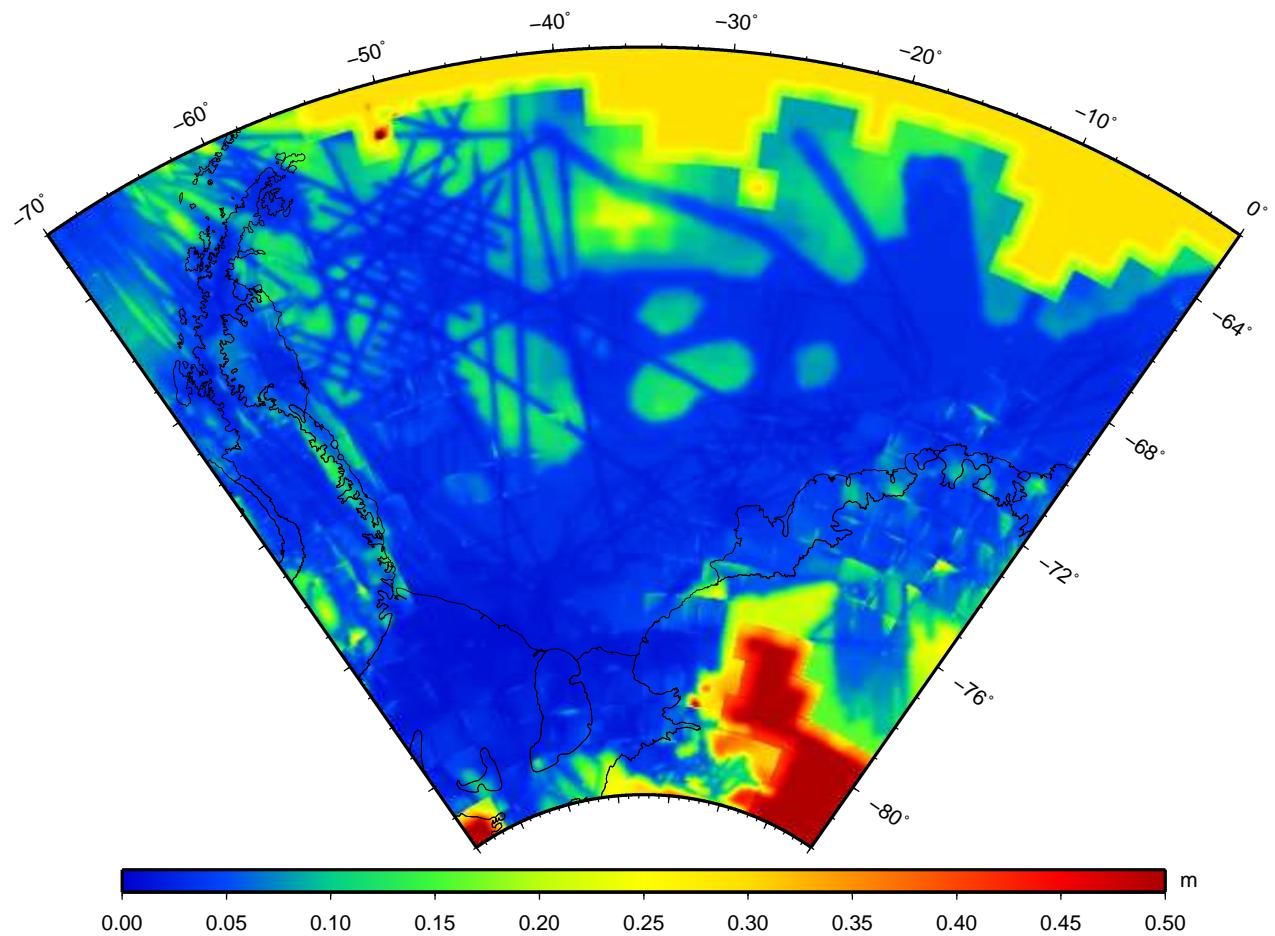


Figure 2: Over-all uncertainty of the improved geoid (Fig. 1) as a combination of LSC error estimates and the r.m.s. misfit of the averaged tiles, whichever is larger (data column 6 in Table 1)

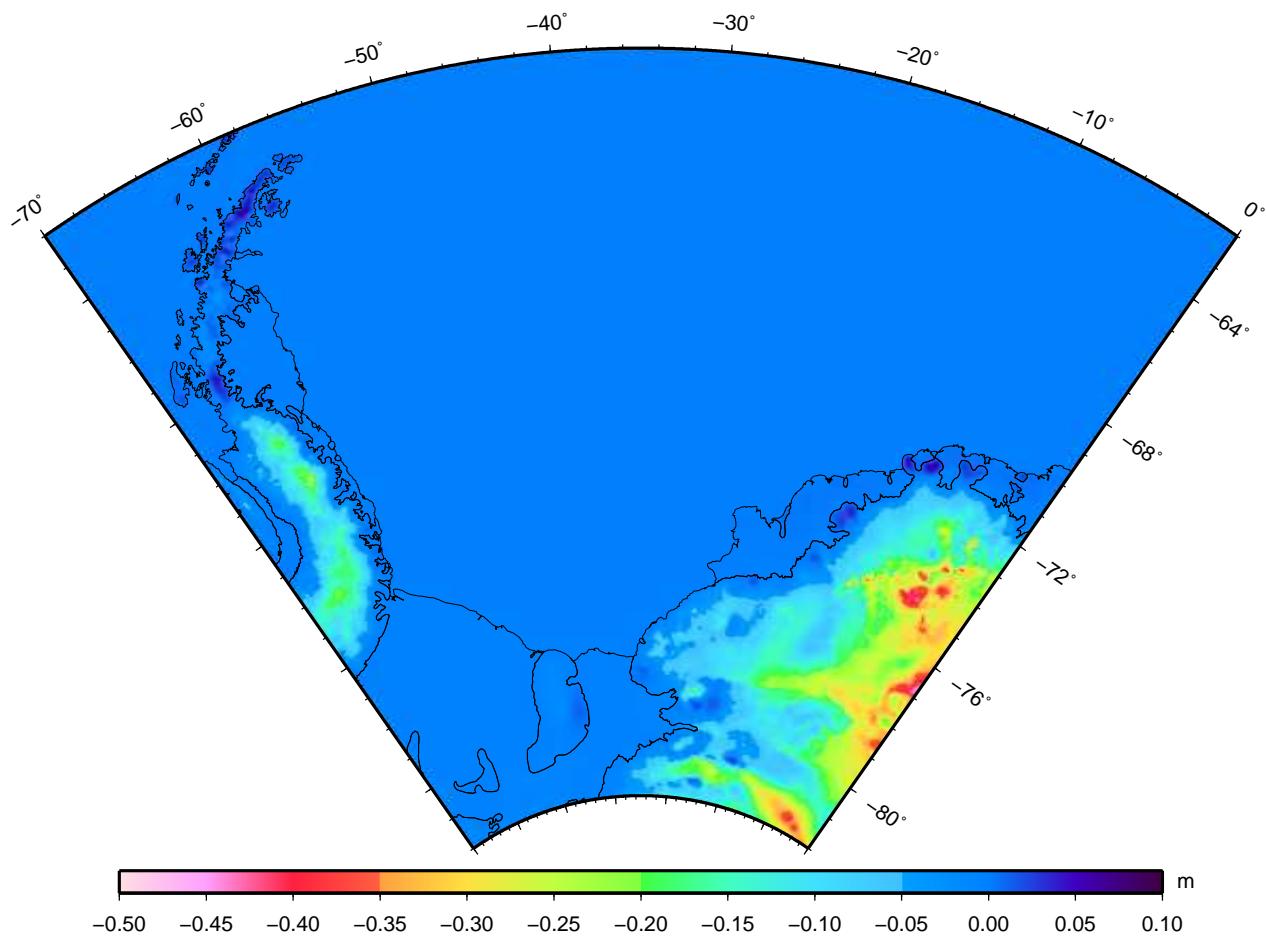


Figure 3: Estimated geoid–quasigeoid separation (data column 5 in Table 1)

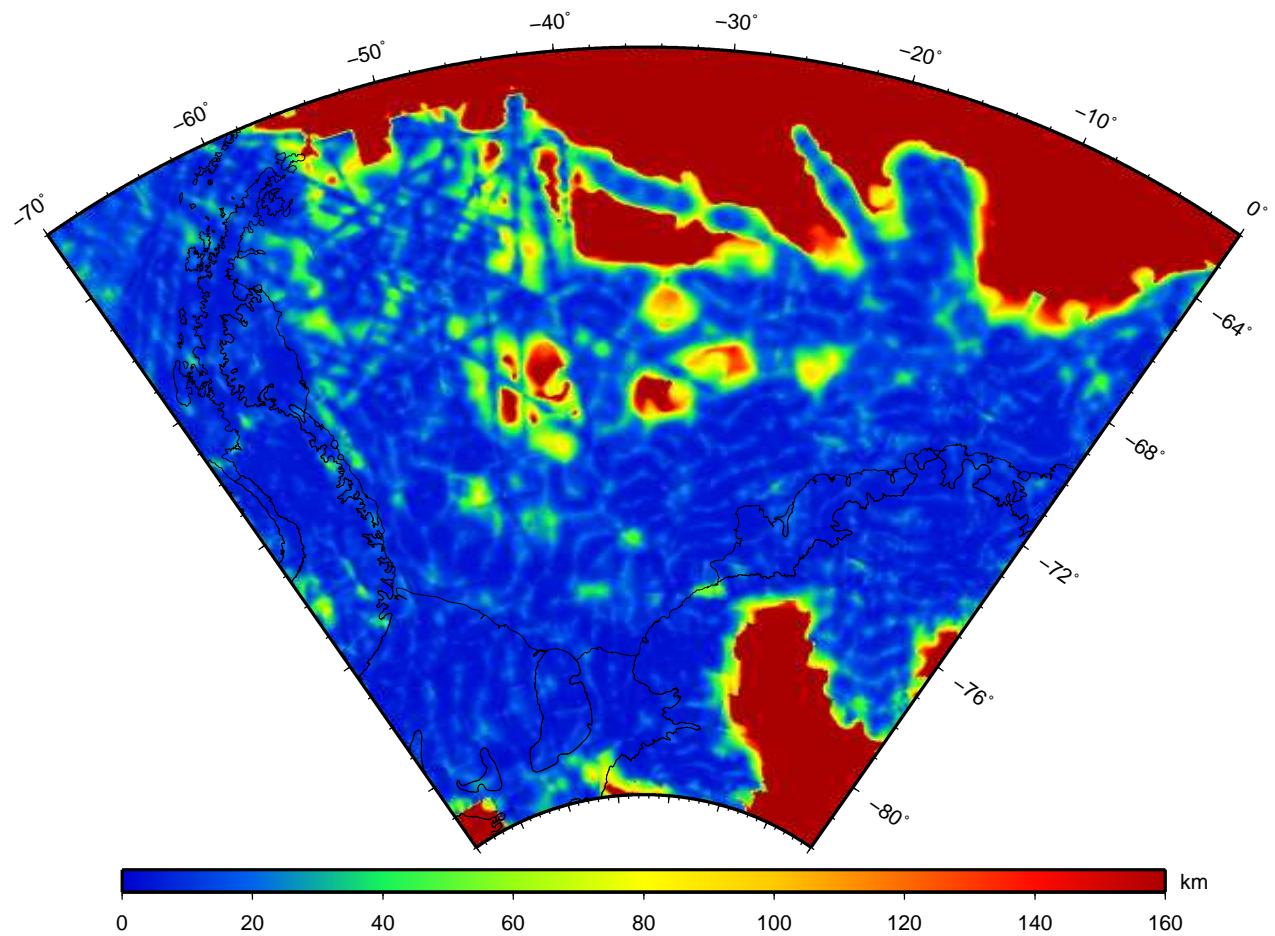


Figure 4: Empirically estimated resolution of the residual geoid as defined by the radius where the accumulated r.m.s. of the signal attains the over-all uncertainty (data column 7 in Table 1)

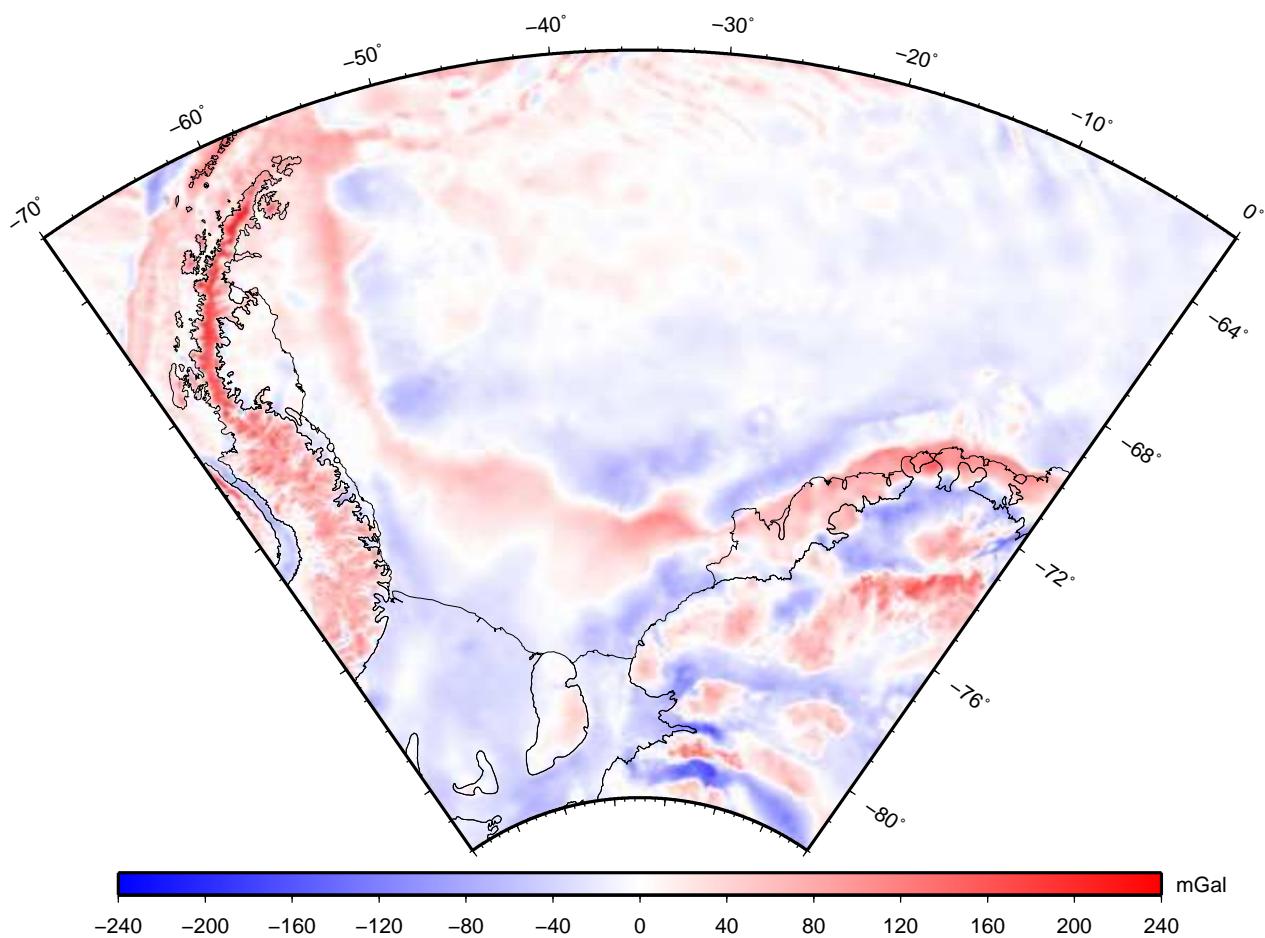


Figure 5: Improved free-air gravity anomaly at surface altitude

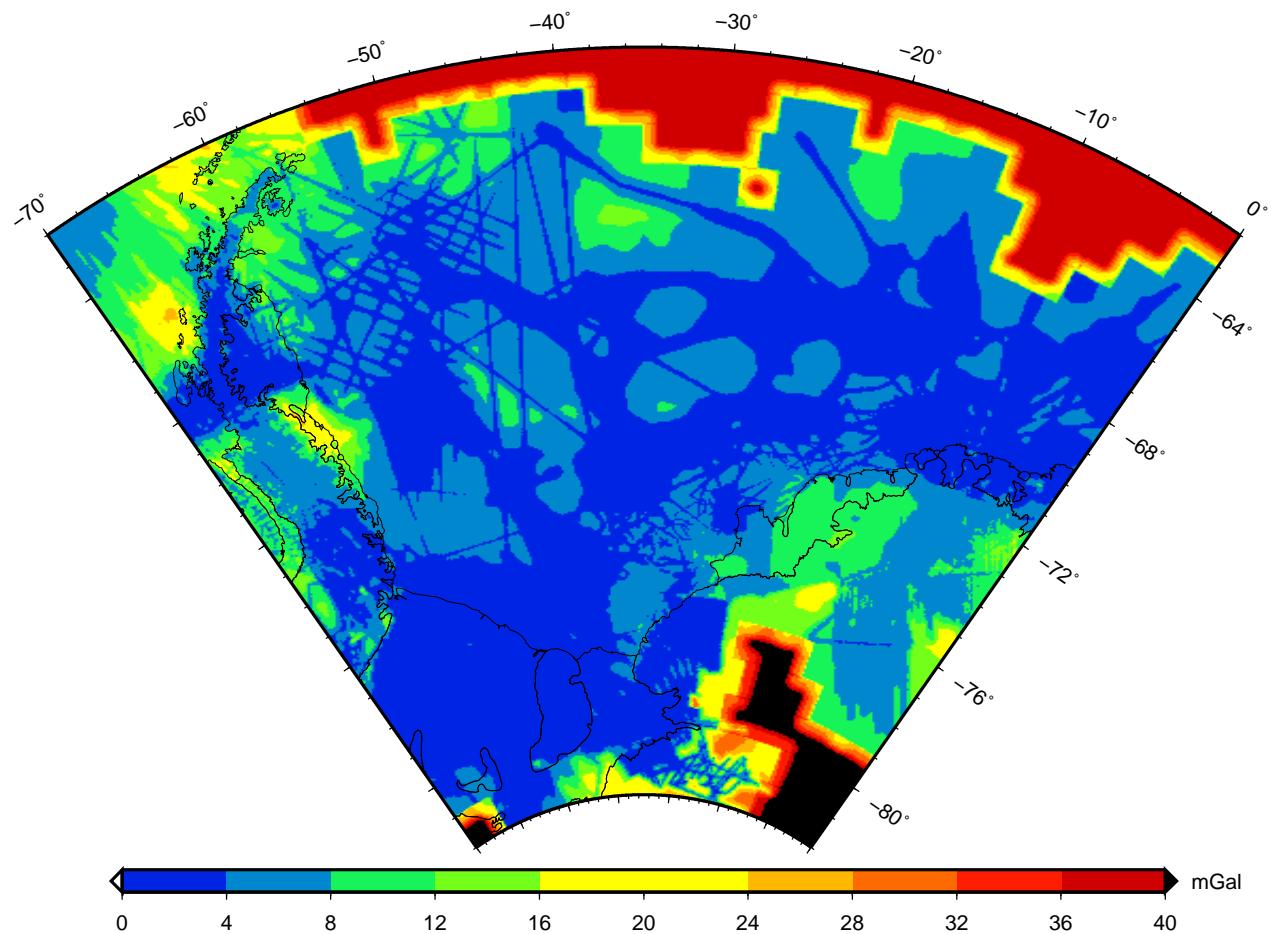


Figure 6: Over-all uncertainty of the improved gravity anomaly (Fig. 4) as a combination of LSC error estimates and the r.m.s. misfit of the averaged tiles, whichever is larger

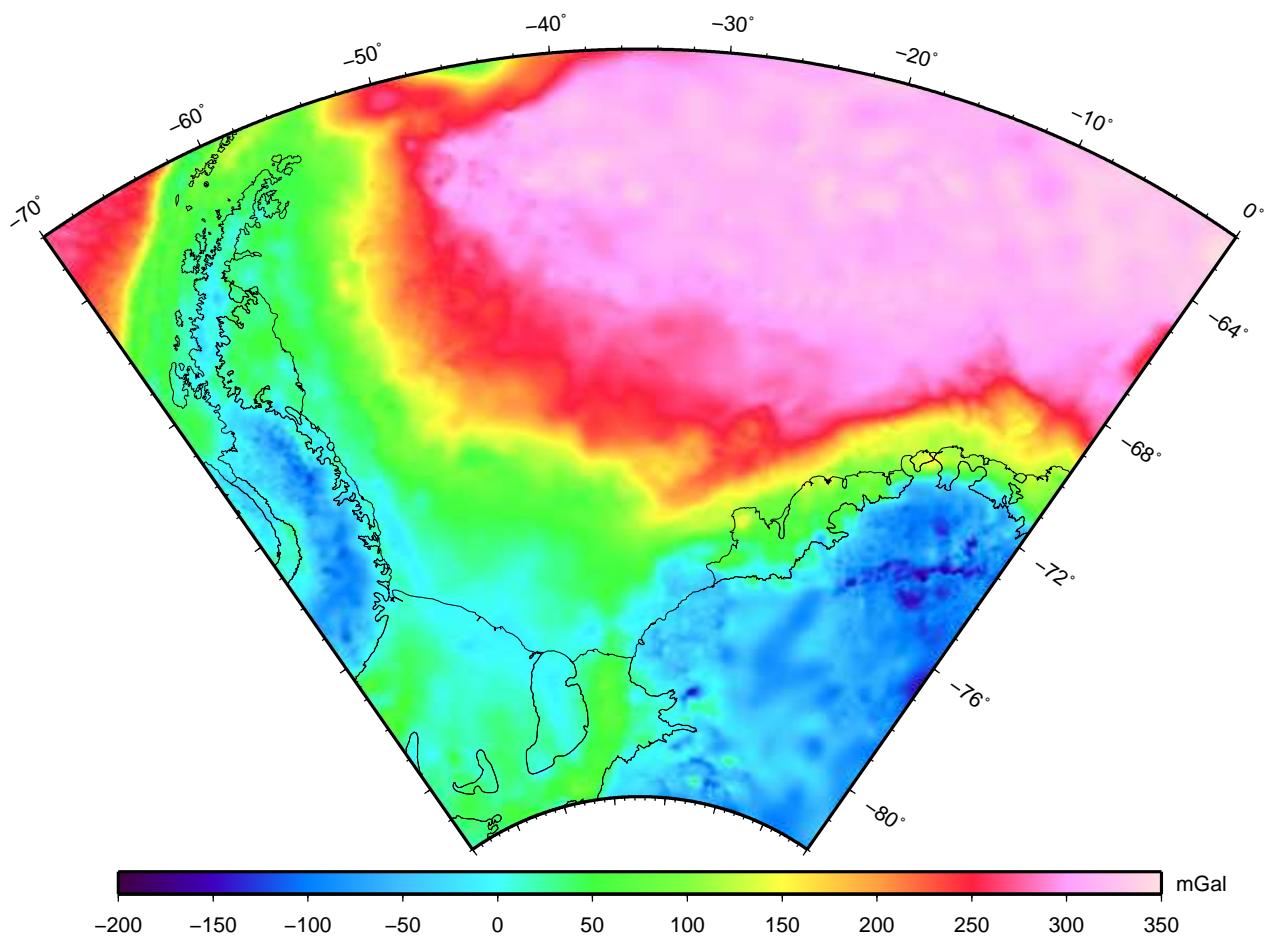


Figure 7: Complete Bouguer anomaly, based on the full topographic effect of the BEDMAP2 ice surface topography, bedrock topography, and bathymetry

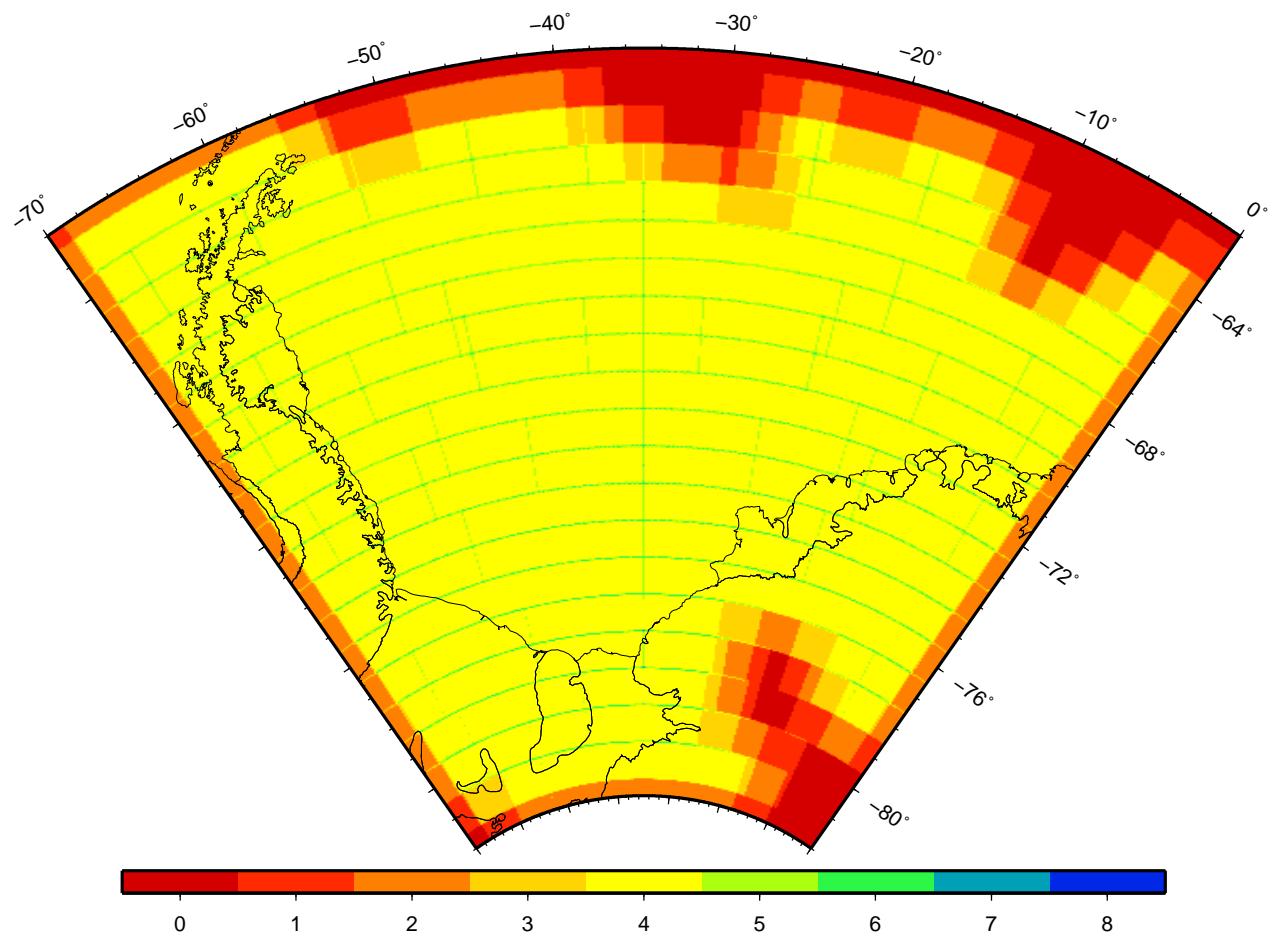


Figure 8: Number of overlapping tiles contributing to each grid node

Table 2: A-posteriori cross-over differences at altitude corrected for estimated profile biases. Numbers in italics refer to isostatic anomalies. In case of internal cross-overs signs of differences were associated with the respective sign of the height difference by convention

| datasets | land and ice shelf areas | | | | | | ocean areas | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-------------|-------|------|------|------|----|
| | mean | SD | max | no. | mean | SD | max | no. | | | | |
| <i>internal cross-overs</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ADGRAV | | | | | +0.0 | +0.0 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 11 | 11 | 1222 | |
| BAS-1996 | -2.2 | -2.2 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 6 | 6 | 3 | | | | | |
| BAS-Evans | -4.6 | -4.6 | 8.6 | 8.6 | 9 | 9 | 4 | | | | | |
| BAS-JRI | -1.6 | -1.0 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 11 | 11 | 25 | +0.2 | 0.0 | 5.5 | 5.6 | 18 |
| BAS-SPARC | +1.1 | +1.1 | 8.1 | 8.1 | 11 | 11 | 6 | | | 17 | 94 | |
| IceBridge | +4.0 | +0.9 | 18.4 | 6.1 | 87 | 33 | 947 | +0.1 | 0.0 | 2.6 | 2.5 | 23 |
| USAC | | | | | | | | -0.1 | -0.1 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 4 |
| VISA | 1.2 | 1.2 | 8.3 | 8.3 | 28 | 28 | 257 | | | 4 | 4 | 87 |
| <i>external cross-overs</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| IceBridge – ADGRAV | | | | | +1.6 | +1.2 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 12 | 12 | 418 | |
| IceBridge – BAS-1996 | -12.5 | +0.4 | 24.9 | 13.1 | 108 | 78 | 280 | +14.3 | +6.4 | 20.3 | 12.7 | 52 |
| IceBridge – BAS-Evans | -7.6 | -1.2 | 14.5 | 5.6 | 30 | 10 | 12 | | | 36 | 36 | 12 |
| IceBridge – BAS-JRI | -4.7 | +1.7 | 21.6 | 19.9 | 96 | 82 | 43 | +5.8 | +3.6 | 8.5 | 7.9 | 30 |
| IceBridge – BAS-SPARC | -1.2 | +1.0 | 16.8 | 11.5 | 70 | 76 | 646 | | | 22 | 22 | 78 |
| IceBridge – USAC | | | | | | | | +0.8 | +0.7 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 25 |
| ADGRAV – USAC | | | | | | | | +2.5 | +2.5 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 12 |
| ADGRAV – VISA | | | | | | | | +7.0 | +2.8 | 11.4 | 9.3 | 28 |
| BAS-1996 – BAS-SPARC | -1.5 | -1.5 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 12 | 12 | 8 | | | 23 | 23 | 53 |