# Climate model extension of surface drag/momentum budget intercomparison

#### Protocol for climate models:

Easy but uninformative. Comprehensive but impossible.

Broad but shallow. Deep but narrow ...

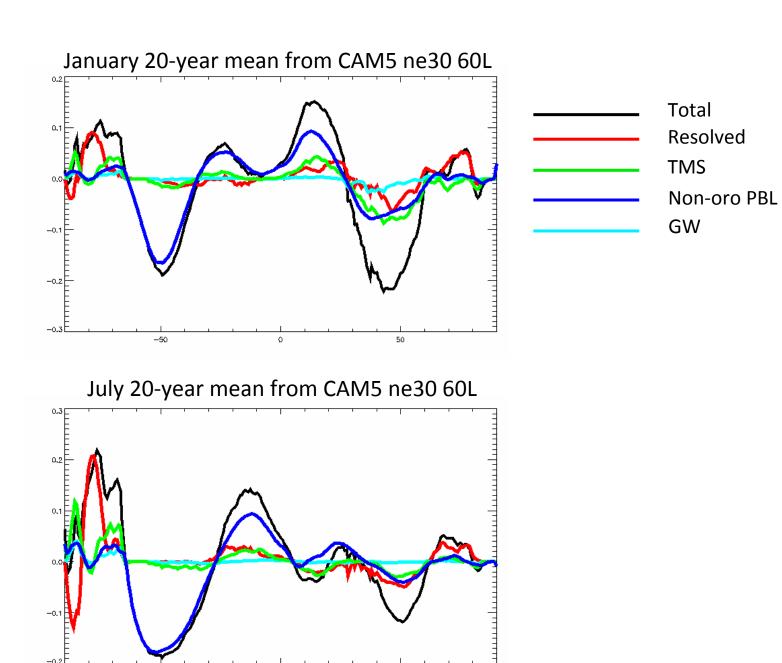
•Interannual variability – CAM example

Leveraging a collaboration with ISSI GW project

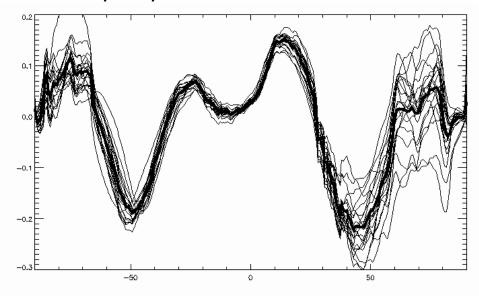
Where to go next?

- Momentum budget vs just surface drag
- Sensitivity runs (1D SCM? 3D?)

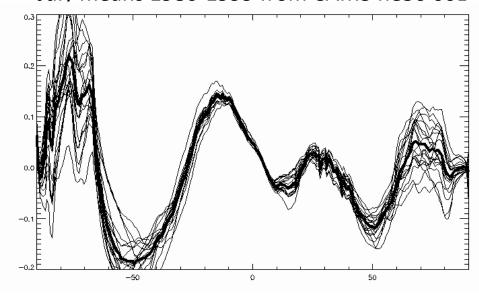
Inter-annual variability in CAM



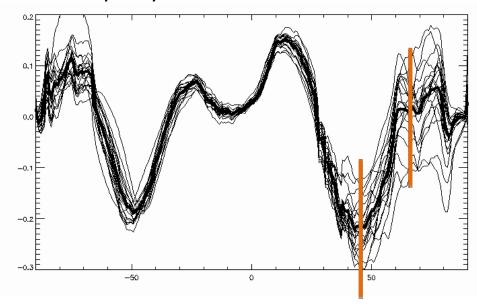
January 20-year mean from CAM5 ne30 60L



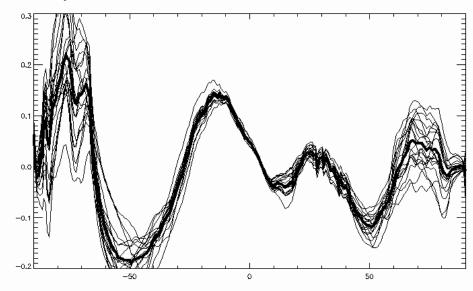
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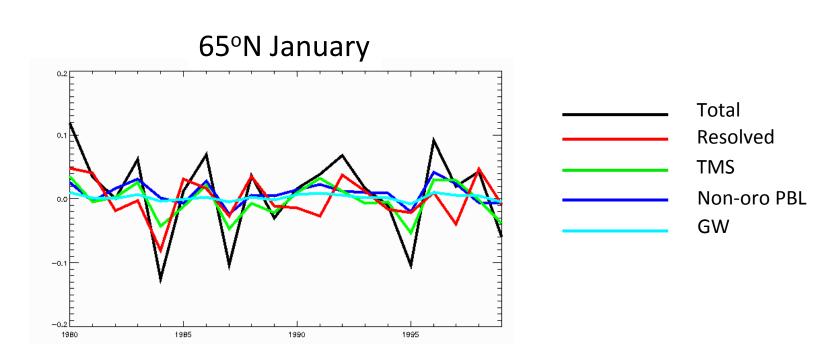


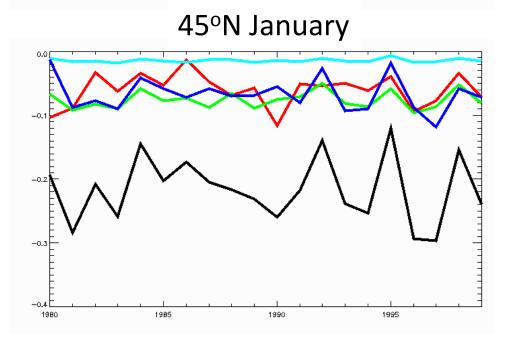
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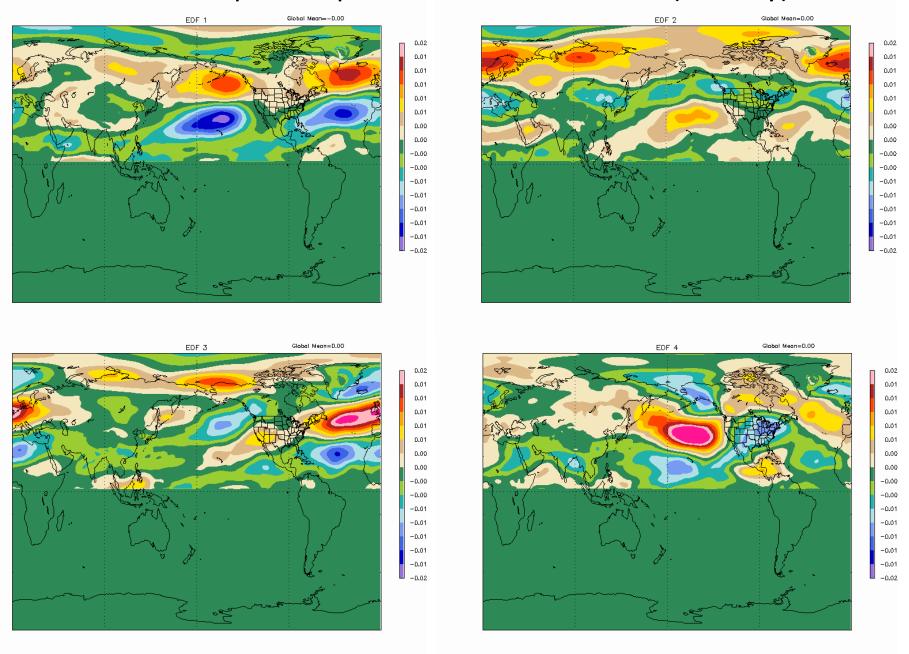
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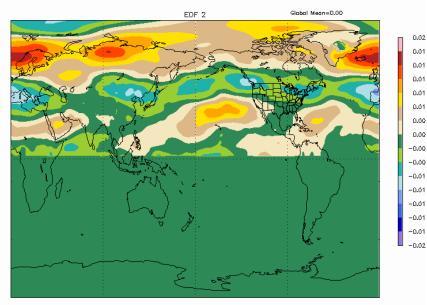


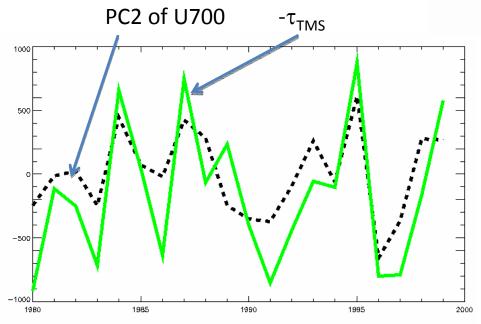




### Principal components of NH U 700 hPa (January)

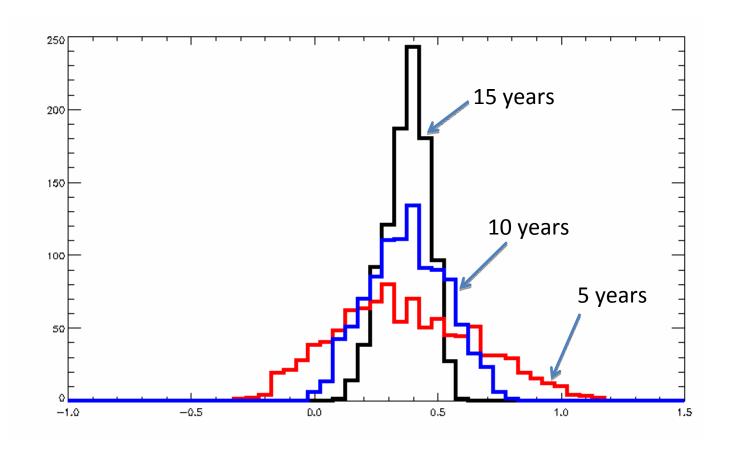






*r*=-.82 (with U850 *r*=-.75)

PDFs of average January *ratio* of TMS to total surface drag at 65°N. Drawn from 1000 synthetic samples of 20 years



Minimum 10 year runs with drags and low-level U seem reasonable compromise of utility and ease

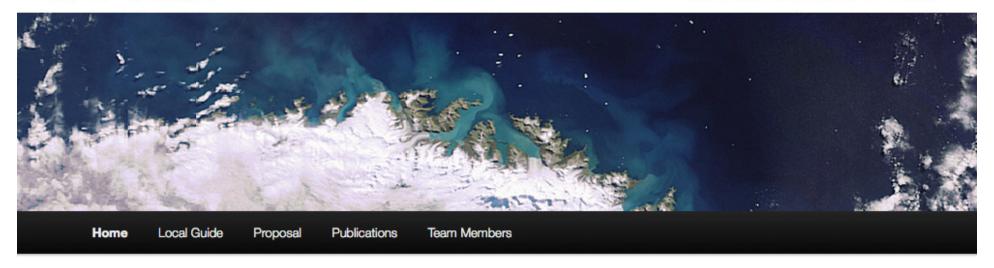
# Atmospheric Gravity Waves in Global Climate Prediction and Weather Forecasting Applications

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#### International Team



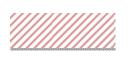
Next meeting March 31-April 4, 2014

http://www.issibern.ch/teams/gravitywaves/

### Likely participants in surface drag intercomparison (most leveraged from Joan Alexander's ISSI Gravity Wave Team)

	Blocking	Anisotropy	PBL obstacle	
LMDz	LM97			F. Lott
GISS (SUNY)				M. Geller
CAM4				
WACCM4				J. Richter
CAM5				
GEOS5(NASA)				A. Molod
MERRA (re-anal)				M. Pulido
CMAM	SM00		??	C. McLandress
NAVGEM	W03			S. Eckermann
HadGEM	W03			A. Bushell
ECHAM	LM97			E. Manzini

LM97 = Lott and Miller, 1997, QJRMS SM00 = Scinocca and McFarlane, 2000, QJRMS W03 = Webster et al., 2003, QJRMS



Self-described as "crude","provisional", "temporary" ....

## ISSI GW team proposed analysis of zonal momentum budget based on "transformed Eulerian mean" (TEM) equations

Transformed merdional circulation

$$\bar{v}^* \equiv \bar{v} - \rho_0^{-1} (\rho_0 \overline{v'\theta'}/\bar{\theta}_z)_z,$$

$$\bar{w}^* \equiv \bar{w} + (a\cos\phi)^{-1} (\cos\phi \overline{v'\theta'}/\bar{\theta}_z)_{\phi}.$$

Zonal momentum Equation:

 $\bar{u}_i + \bar{v}^* [(a \cos \phi)^{-1} (\bar{u} \cos \phi)_{\phi} - f] + \bar{w}^* \bar{u}_z - \bar{X}$   $= (\rho_0 a \cos \phi)^{-1} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}.$ 

where,

$$F^{(\phi)} = \rho_0 a \cos \phi (\bar{u}_z \, \overline{v'\theta'} / \bar{\theta}_z - \overline{v'u'}),$$

$$F^{(z)} = \rho_0 a \cos \phi \{ [f - (a \cos \phi)^{-1} (\bar{u} \cos \phi)_{\phi}] \overline{v'\theta'} / \bar{\theta}_z - \overline{w'u'} \};$$

$$momentum flux$$

and,

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = (a \cos \phi)^{-1} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} (F^{(\phi)} \cos \phi) + \frac{\partial F^{(z)}}{\partial z}$$

orographic and nonorographic gravity wave tendencies

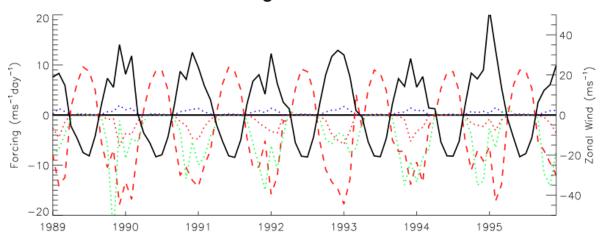
Resolved wave

*Includes parameterized* 

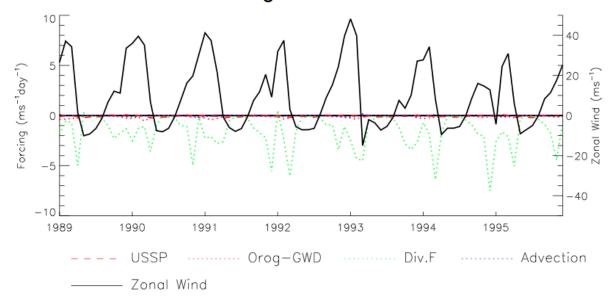
Two models so far have submitted monthly mean fields – HadGEM, CAM. Currently assessing contribution from FU Berlin

### HadGEM results

I EM Momentum Budget: NH 50°-80° U.1 nPa



TEM Momentum Budget: NH 50°-80° 10.0 hPa



Andrew Bushell (Met. Office), David Long

### **Next Steps**

Complete surface drag analysis of ISSI GW + n models

Extend to momentum budget analysis

SCM/1D studies

Sensitivity runs, e.g., turn off PBL form drag for 10 years (1D or 3D)

#### **Constraints:**

- •Meridional angular momentum transport ( need  $\overrightarrow{uv}$
- Observational (John Mitchell WMAC/WDAC ...??)