

CMIP6 update

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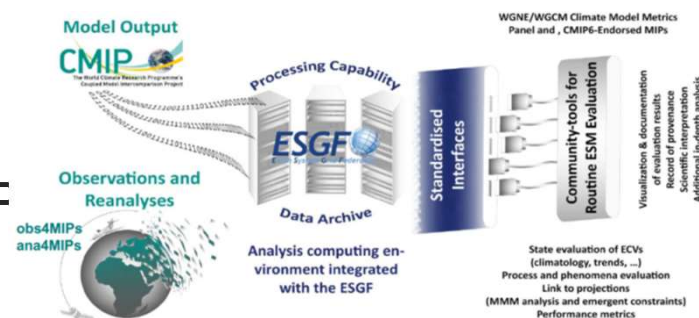
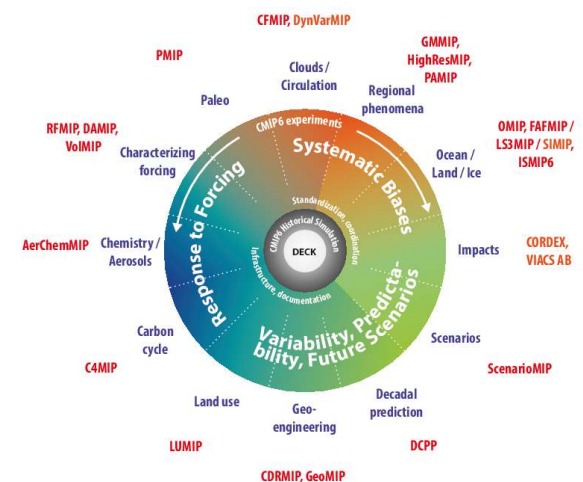


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Progress and achievements

- Model simulations for CMIP6 are now progressing with rapid activity over the next few months as the AR6 timelines approach (December 2019 for submitted papers)
- Model output now being served by ESGF from 21 institutions (45 models)
- Much output will be made available over the coming months
- ESMValTool now routinely applied to CMIP6 data as it is uploaded to ESGF



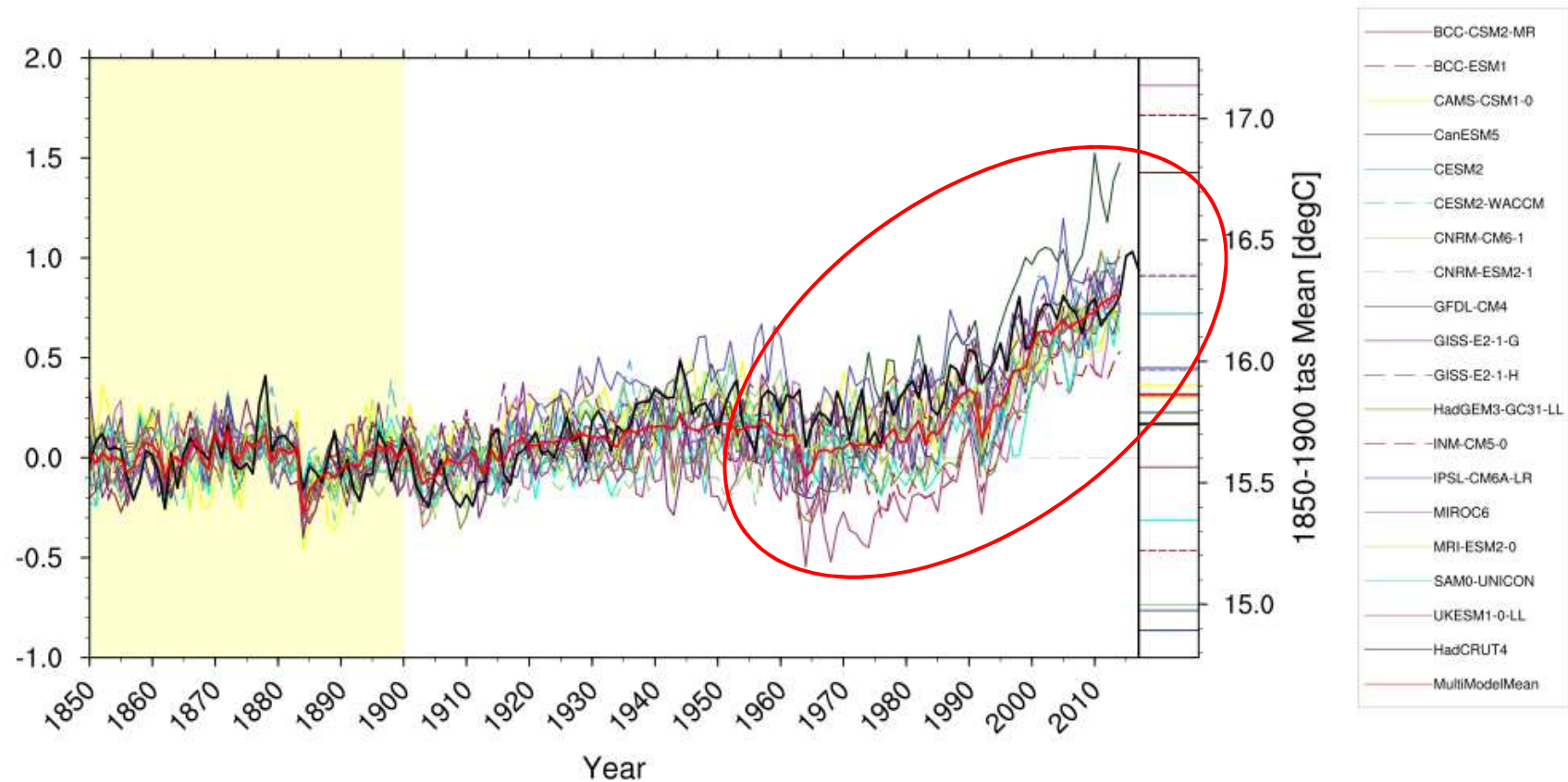
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model	# of activit ies	AerCh emMI P	C4MIP	CDRMIP	CFMIP	CMIP	DAMIP	DCPP	FAFMIP	GMMIP	GeoMIP	HighResMI P	LS3MIP	LUMIP	OMIP	PAMIP	PMIP	RFMIP	ScenarioMIP	VolMIP
# of models	162	15	6	3	10	27	9	4	2	9	4	20	4	7	8	2	3	9	19	1
AWI-CM-1-1-MR	3	50				960													50	
BCC-CSM2-MR	8		514		844	2161	1481			413			41	858					884	
BCC-ESM1	2	2988				1631														
CAMS-CSM1-0	3	65				643													325	
CESM2	12		890	134	1126	15567	1380			291			265	3574	1546	55700		742	5492	
CESM2-WACCM	4	2149				7143				678									5357	
CMCC-CM2-HR4	1											70								
CMCC-CM2-VHR4	1											70								
CNRM-CM6-1	12	1931			1447	7052	5161	16519		832		674	153	153	7			580	5457	
CNRM-CM6-1-HR	1											410								
CNRM-ESM2-1	9	12401	2296			9190				181	2038			668	136			1278	15481	
CanESM5	15	6901	1540	2379	1790	22928	33798	130356	1703	2130	1022			680		64199		2934	32054	1700
E3SM-1-0	1					710														
EC-Earth3	3	975				2478													4387	
EC-Earth3-Veg	3	234				997													1175	
ECMWF-IFS-HR	1											303								
ECMWF-IFS-LR	1											307								
FGOALS-f3-L	3					267				450					30					
GFDL-AM4	1					69														
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GFDL-ESM4	4		111	57		1397													599	
GFDL-OM4p5B	1														21					
GISS-E2-1-G	5				332	5984	4150							830			166			
GISS-E2-1-H	2				143	1868														
HadGEM3-GC31-HM	1											318								
HadGEM3-GC31-LL	3					4060	2242					340								
HadGEM3-GC31-LM	1											172								
HadGEM3-GC31-MM	1											496								
IITM-ESM	1					1														
IPSL-CM6A-ATM-HR	1											250								
IPSL-CM6A-LR	14	9667			3621	37495	19638	116604		558	1161	271	176	3433	642		2177	5897	15219	
MIROC-ES2L	3	259				1585													1295	
MIROC6	10	3957			420	2347	2205	49000	545	450					38			1638	1624	
MPI-ESM1-2-HR	3	517										74							2068	
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NESM3	3					1527											65		875	
NICAM16-7S	1											79								
NICAM16-8S	1											79								
NICAM16-9S	1											79								
SAM0-UNICON	1					840														
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CMIP6: Surface Temperature Anomaly



CMIP6 (18 models)

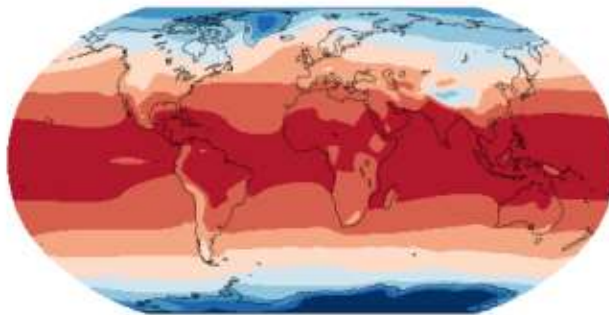


CMIP6: Surface Temperature Bias

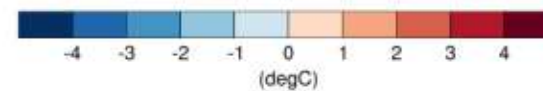
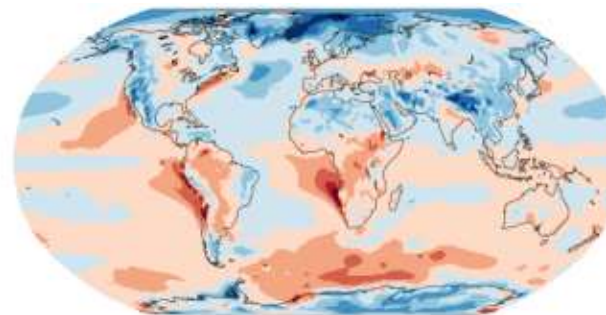
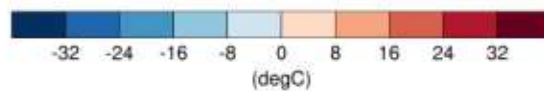
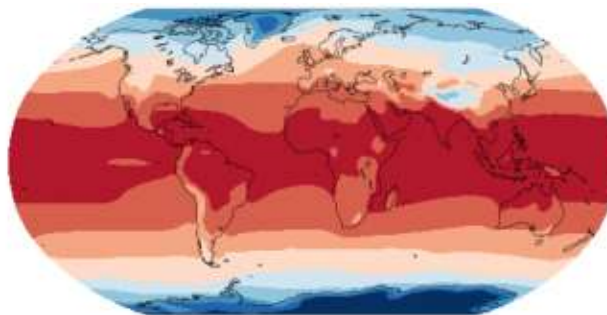
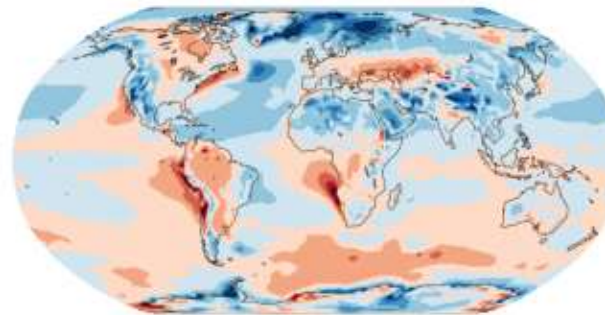


CMIP5 (34 models)

Model Mean

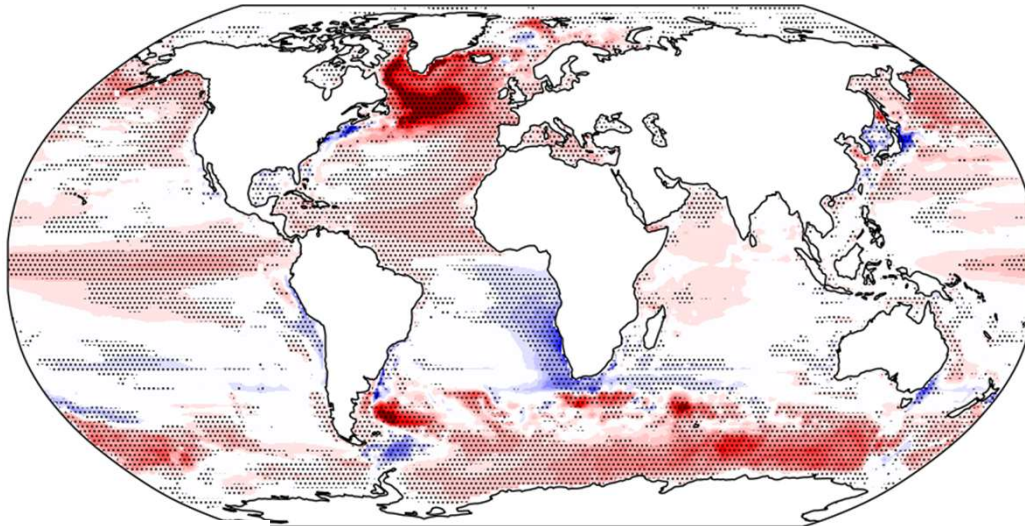


Multi Model Mean Bias (Ref dataset ERA-I)

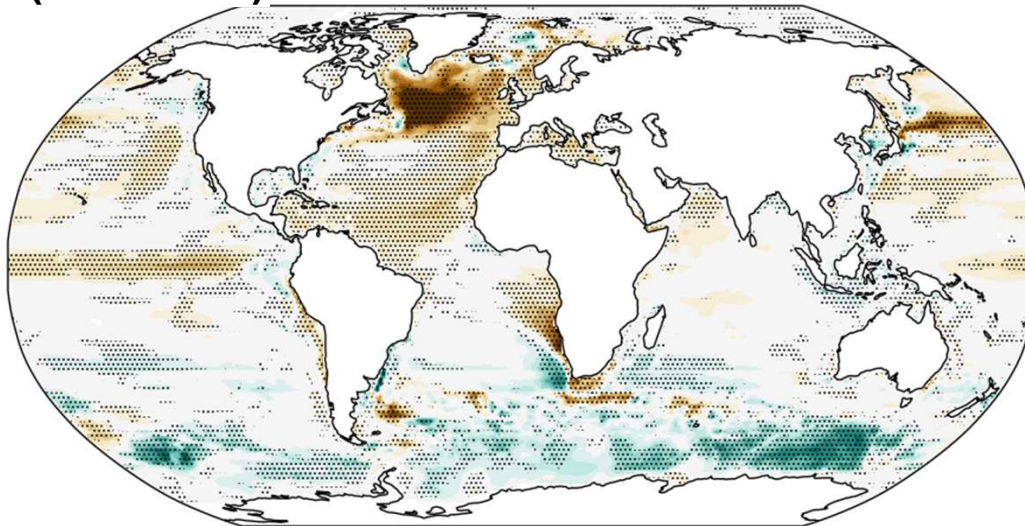


CMIP6 (18 models)

High resolution modelling: SST



(5 models)



CMIP6 HighResMIP

Multi-model mean SST difference between high and low resolution coupled models

→ **Reduction in some long-standing regional model errors**

Multi-model mean of the change in SST bias between high and low resolution coupled models (using RMS difference from EN4 1950-54 mean)

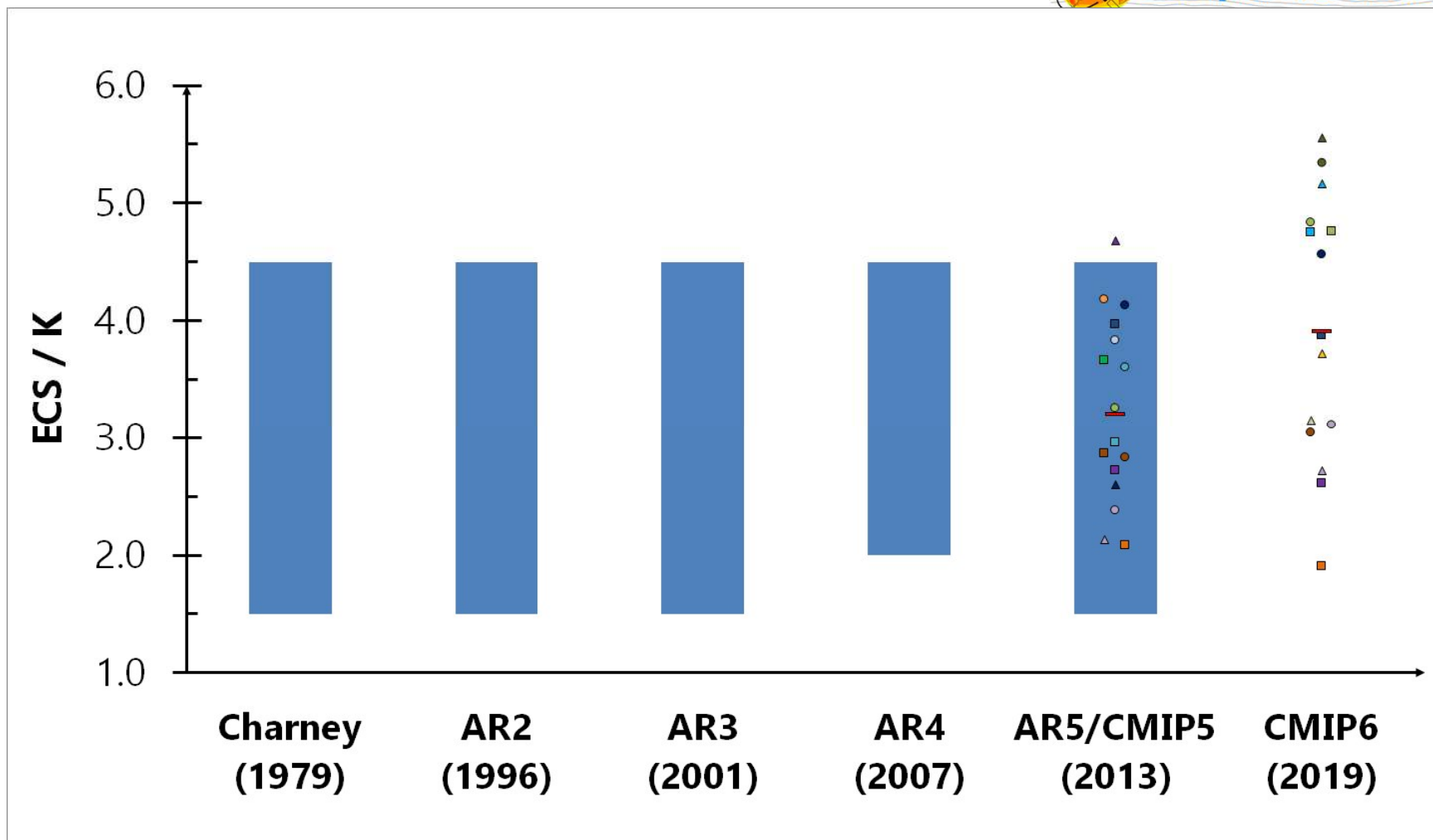
Progress and achievements

- 249 participants from 26 countries with a high representation of ECRs
- Representatives from at least 20 CMIP6-Endorsed Model Intercomparison Projects (MIPs) and 25 modelling groups
- IPCC CLA/LAs from all AR6 chapters
- Many parallel scientific meetings (WGCM-22, WMAC, GC on Carbon cycle).

CMIP6 Analysis Workshop, Barcelona, March 24-28th, 2019



Emergent Properties - Climate Sensitivity



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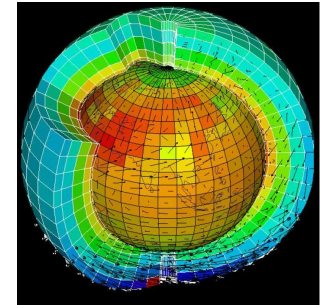


WGCM Aims

- Review and foster the development of coupled ocean-atmosphere and Earth system models

- Co-ordinate model intercomparisons to;

- *better understand natural climate variability*
- *predict the climate response to natural and anthropogenic perturbations*
- *assess the climate predictability at the decadal timescale*



e.g. CMIP (Coupled Model Intercomparison Project), CFMIP (Cloud Feedbacks Intercomparison Project), PMIP (Palaeoclimate Model Intercomparison Project), Transpose-AMIP (climate model used in NWP mode), C4MIP (Carbon cycle Intercomparison Project)

- Promote and facilitate the models evaluation and diagnosis of shortcomings, and understanding of processes and feedbacks in the climate system

- Done in collaboration with many partners; WGNE (atmospheric process community), WGSIP (decadal forecasting community) , many MIPs

**WGCM promotes a balance between
simulation – evaluation - understanding**



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Progress and achievements

Grand Challenge on Clouds, circulation and climate sensitivity

Science Question Workshops in 2018

- Storm tracks, monsoons and tropical rainbelts

Two WCRP/GC Assessments

- Climate Sensitivity: synthesis across multiple lines of evidence; robust 5-95% ranges
- Aerosol Radiative forcing: synthesizes lines of evidence for weak/strong forcing
=> Both aiming to deliver review papers for AR6



Future Activities

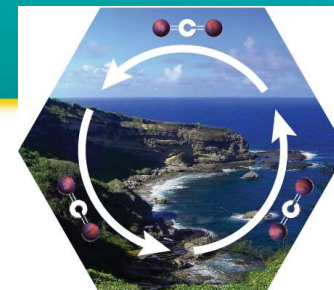
- ICTP summer school: Convection organization and climate sensitivity (July 2019)
- EUREC4A field experiment (2020) and grey-zone project



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Progress and achievements



Grand Challenge on Carbon Cycle

Carbon Cycle Predictability

- Predictions and predictability of the carbon cycle (Workshop 21 September 2018, Boulder)
- Towards decadal predictions including carbon-climate feedbacks (Workshop 28 March 2019, Barcelona)

Climate-Carbon Cycle Feedbacks

- Workshop on extending the Climate-Carbon Cycle Feedback Framework (April 2018, Bern)

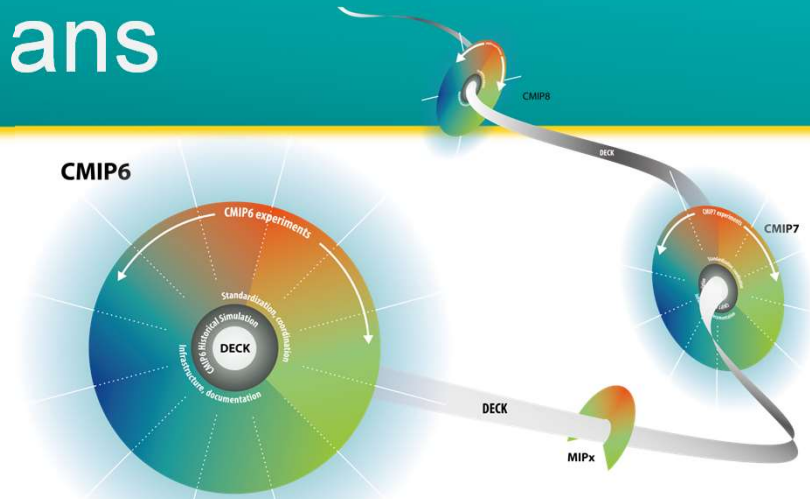
EU H2020 Project CCICC (coordinator P. Friedlingstein, starting June 2019)

- WP1 Understanding the contemporary carbon cycle
- WP2 Predicting the carbon cycle and climate for the global stocktake to the horizon of 2030
- WP3 Projecting the required mitigation effort

Future plans

CMIP continuity and way forward

- Distributed CMIP organization has had both successes and challenges
- Separation of the timescales e.g.
 - DECK, historical + scenarios?) go on faster timescales; more automatic infrastructure in place, smaller burden on modelling centres
 - Science questions planned in CMIP6-Endorsed MIPs to continue over next phase (CMIP7) on longer timescales. More robust Infrastructure also needed.
- Enough experiments and research questions in CMIP6 to fuel research over the next phase
- Further discussion will engage all modelling centres



CMIP infrastructure and WMO task force

- CMIP essential infrastructure is currently delivered by volunteer efforts by the WGCM members, the CMIP Panel, the WIP (WGCM Infrastructure panel) and individual scientists in often partly/un-funded effort.
- Infrastructure includes;
 - ‘forcing data’ for climate model simulations
 - development of data formats and standards
 - documentation and software to contribute model output to the ESGF and allows users from around the world to access this massive multi-model data set.
- WCRP Csc (Pavel Kabat) has successfully lobbied WMO for financial and project support for CMIP infrastructure to put (at least) parts of CMIP on a more operational footing
- A task-force is now being set up to scope how this will work

Links to the WCRP Strategic and Implementation Plans

- WGCM and the CMIP Panel are well situated within the WCRP structure at the moment.
- WGCM and CMIP produce some of the most visible and influential outcomes of WCRP, and leverage a huge investment by many countries.
- Our concerns related to the Strategic Plan relate to maintaining (ideally improving) this visibility and effectiveness.
- We believe that WGCM has played a crucial role in both fundamental model development and coordinated intercomparison projects, providing high-profile input to climate assessments and policy development. These activities should remain core features of the new Strategic Plan, the Implementation Plan, and any revision to the WCRP structure.



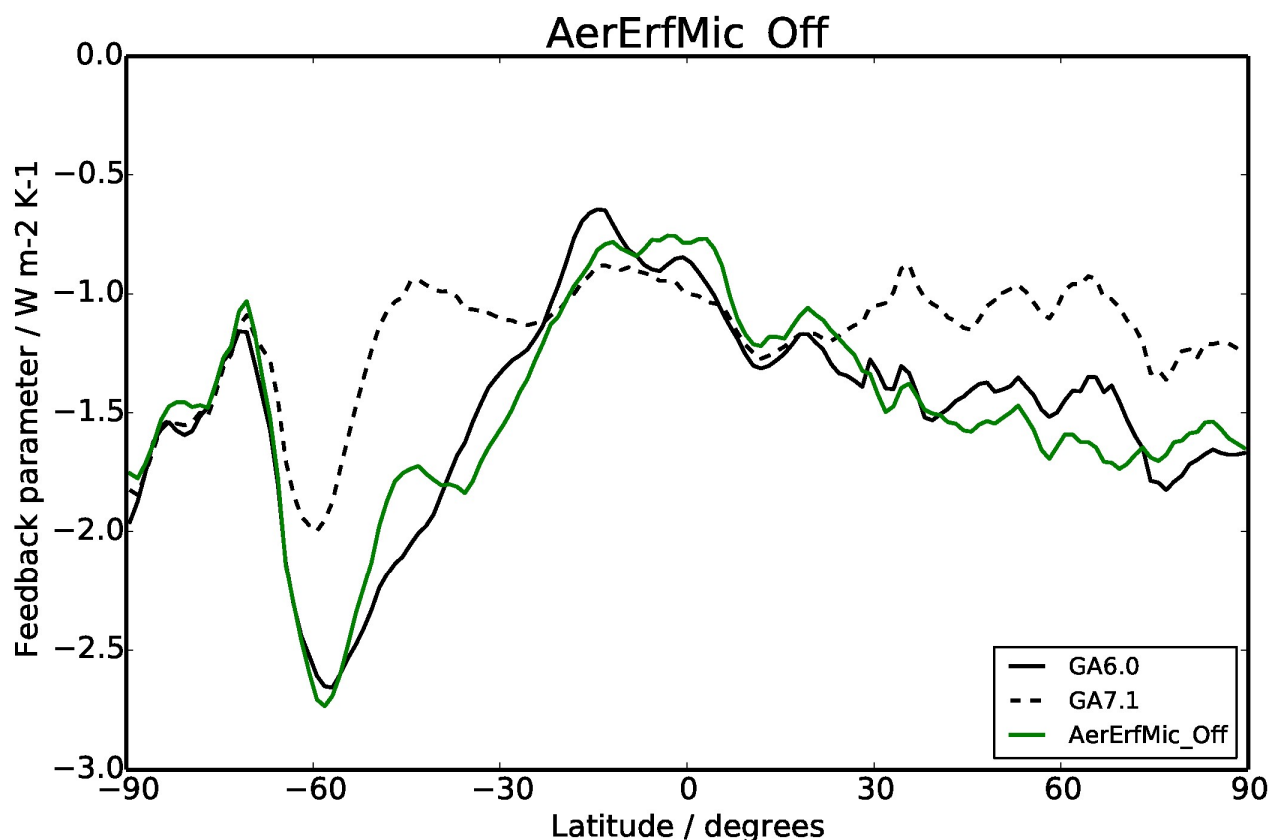
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Earth System Modelling and Climate Prediction

- WGCM has a long track record on Earth system Modelling
- Links with AIMS and more now through direct membership on aerosols, carbon cycle, atmospheric chemistry
- WGCM also is directly linked to model development through its representation of modelling centres
- Understanding climate feedbacks and their link to modelled processes is at the core of our work – e.g. Grand Challenges on Climate Sensitivity and Carbon cycles
- WGCM is also involved in Climate Prediction (S2D)
- WGCM, WGNE (and WGSIP) need to ensure that understanding of climate feedbacks and seamless prediction feeds directly into model development
- This could work through regular joint meetings (which we already do!)
- Joint input into ‘Modelling task force’

Understanding feedback changes



- #11 Implement new ice PSD
- #13 Revised cloud top entrainment
- #15 McICA upgrades
- #16 Improved treatment of gaseous absorption
- #17 New ice optical properties
- #44 Convective cores
- #52 Implement new warm rain microphysics scheme
- #58 PC2 / Convection Coupling

Experiments:

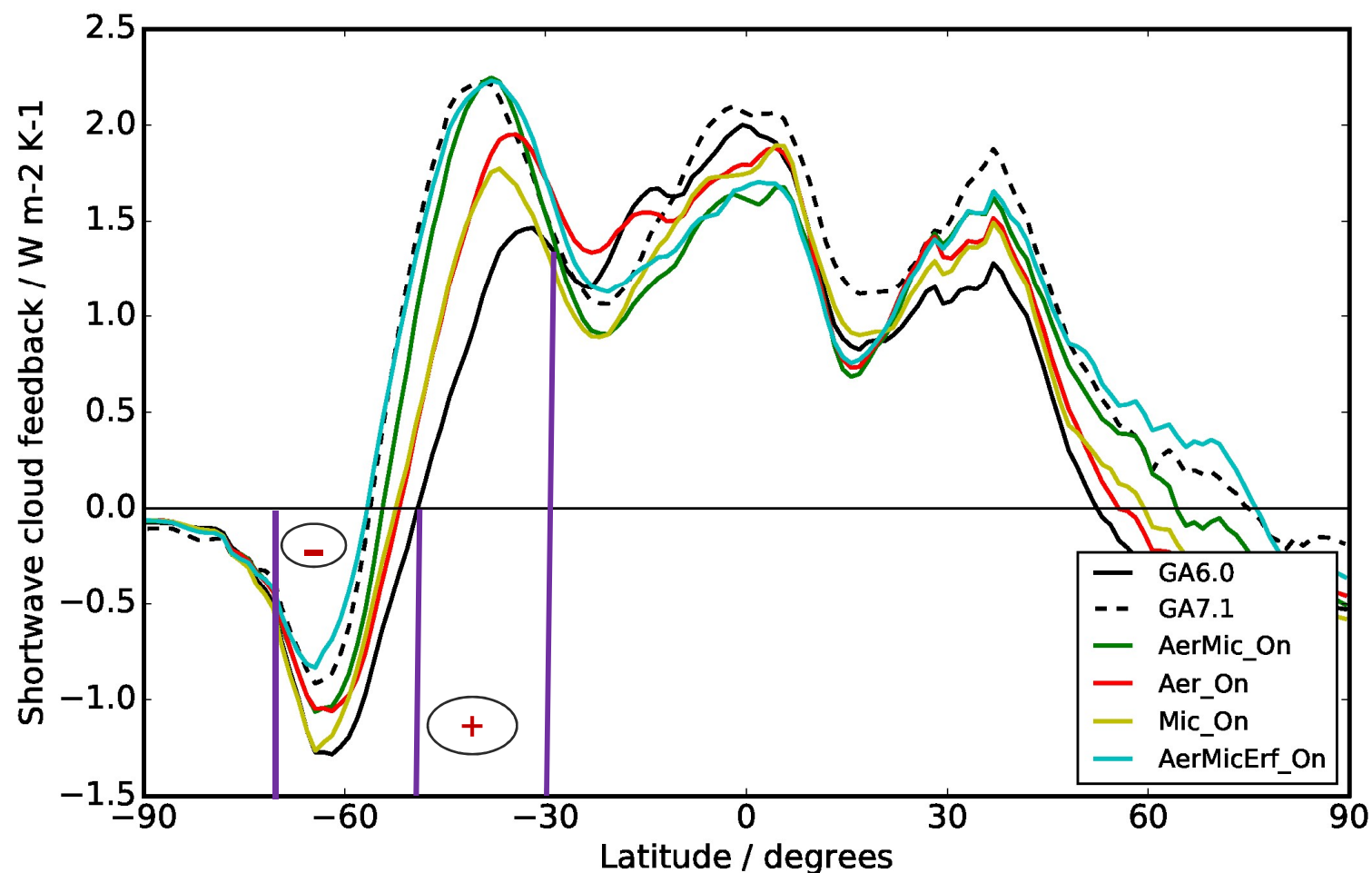
- amip and amip-p4K
- 1979/01 – 1989/12 (11yr)
- 1979/01 – 2014/12 (36 yr)
- N96L85
- ~800 years of simulations

- #154 Generate Kettle (1999) DMS datasets through general regridding
- #155 Generate Reynolds SST ancils via general regridding.
- #156 New land fraction files for coupled models for use with the GOr
- #158 Fix bit-comparison issue with TRIP river routing in UM/JULES.
- #161 Set reference height used in the ENDGame w-damping code to
- #162 Retune cloud threshold for shear dominated BL in GA7.
- #165 Non-orographic (USSP) GWD scheme launch factor tuning in re:

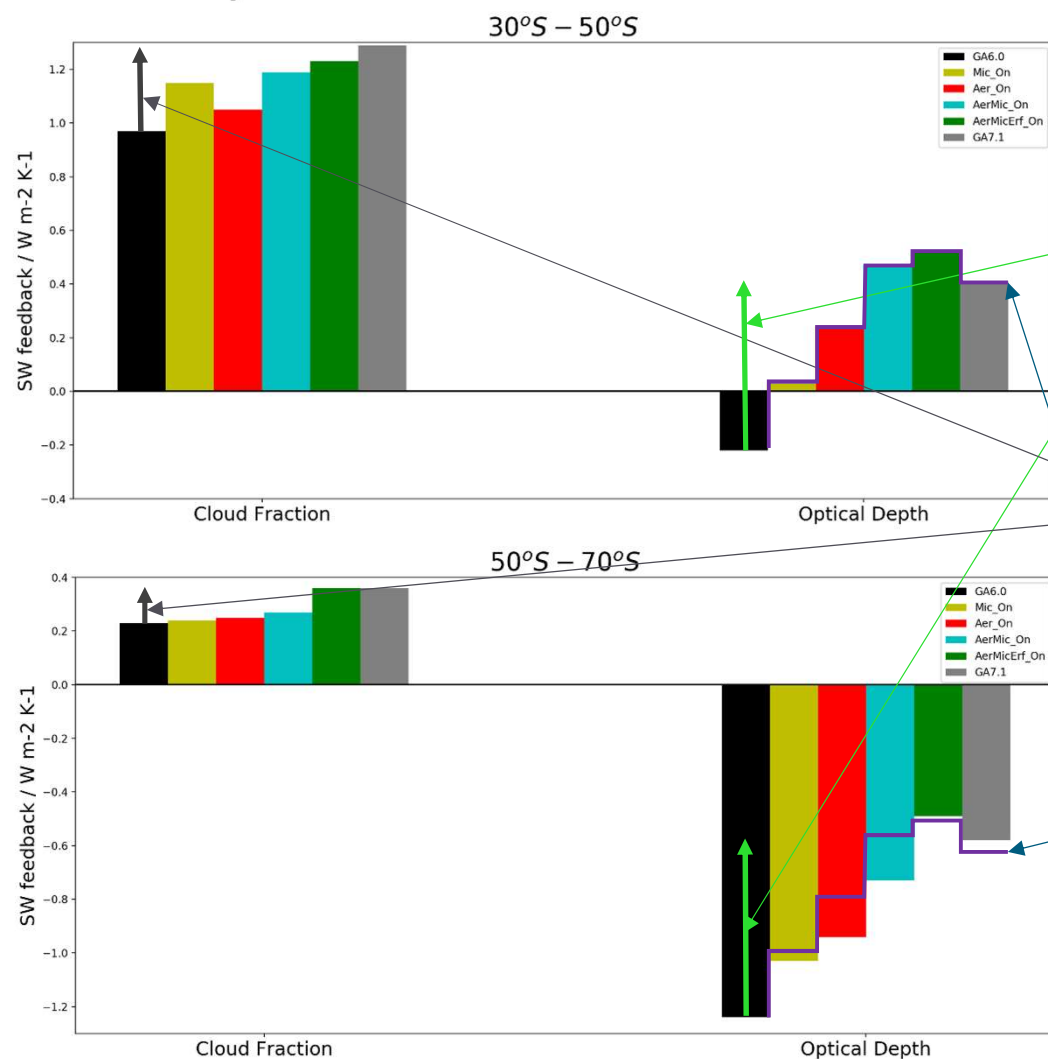
Packages (collection of changes that went in GA7 that are logically related):

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|--------------|----------------|
| • Radiation | • Dynamics |
| • Convection | • S. physics |
| • Cloud | • Aerosols |
| • B. Layer | • Microphysics |
| • GWD | • Land |

Zonal mean Shortwave cloud feedback



Response is a complex interaction between changes in climatology and climate change response of cloud radiative properties: fraction, LWP, R_{eff} .



Larger contributions from optical depth feedbacks.

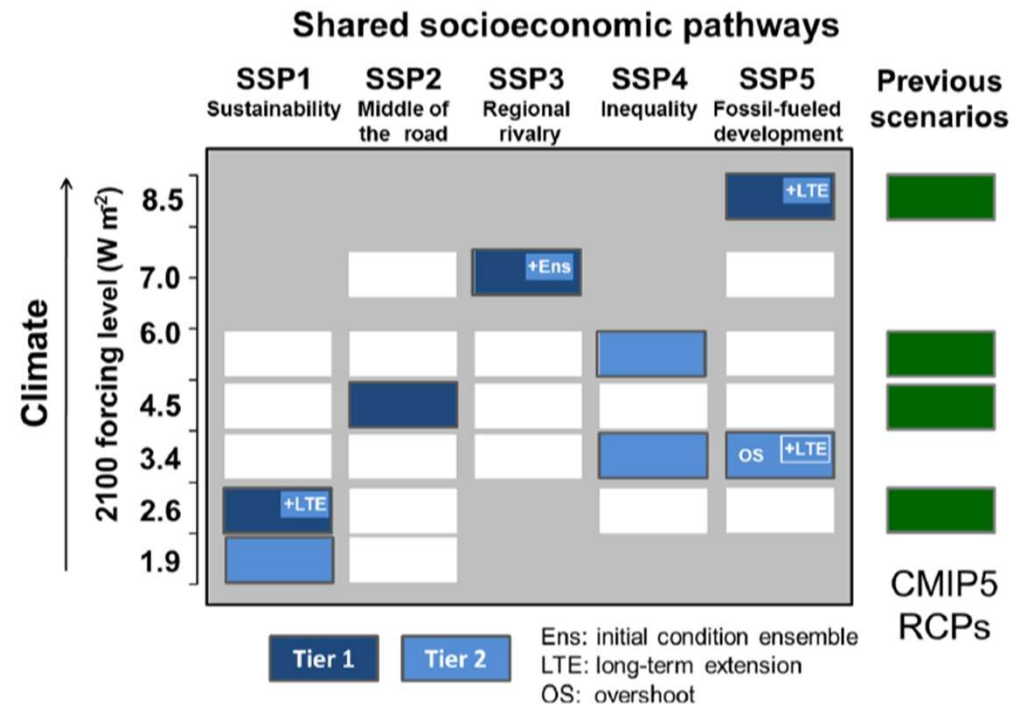
Cloud fraction changes difficult to attribute.
=> Climatological component.
=> feedback change much weaker in 50-70.

Optical depth feedback changes partition quite similar in both regions, although Aer effect is stronger in 30-50.

CMIP6 update on scenario simulations/data

Key scenarios

- Cross-WG Scenario BOG request to all chapters to show 5 key scenarios
- 4 ScenarioMIP “tier-1” scenarios
 - SSP1-2.6, SSP2-4.5, SSP3-7.0, SSP5-8.5
- Plus: SSP1-1.9

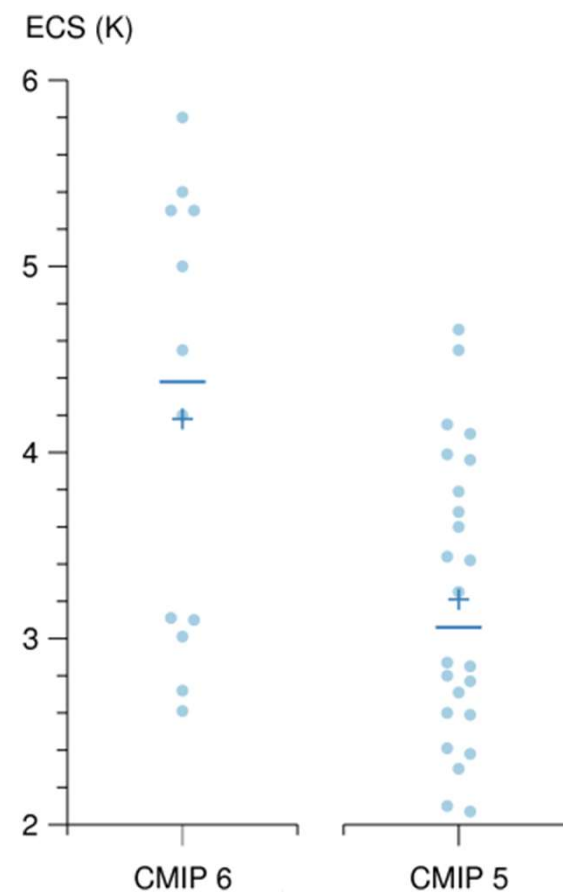


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- WGCM will take a lead on a perspectives paper on these emergent results to support the AR6 assessment
- More detailed further analysis will be actively encouraged in the MIPS
- Further workshops will be held



e.g. results

Annual mean temperature change

