

Estimation des incertitudes et construction de la confiance en modélisation du climat

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Outlook

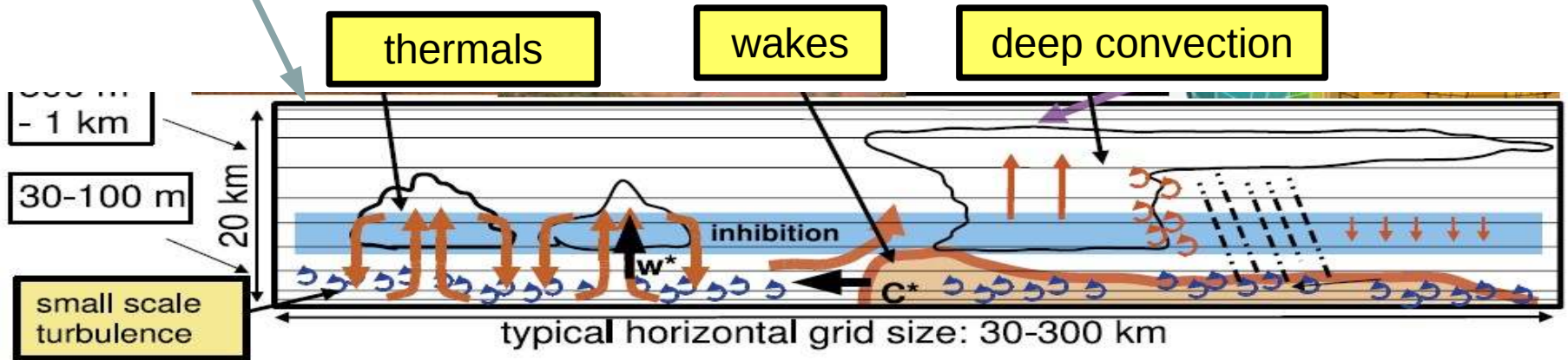
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General circulation models (GCMs)

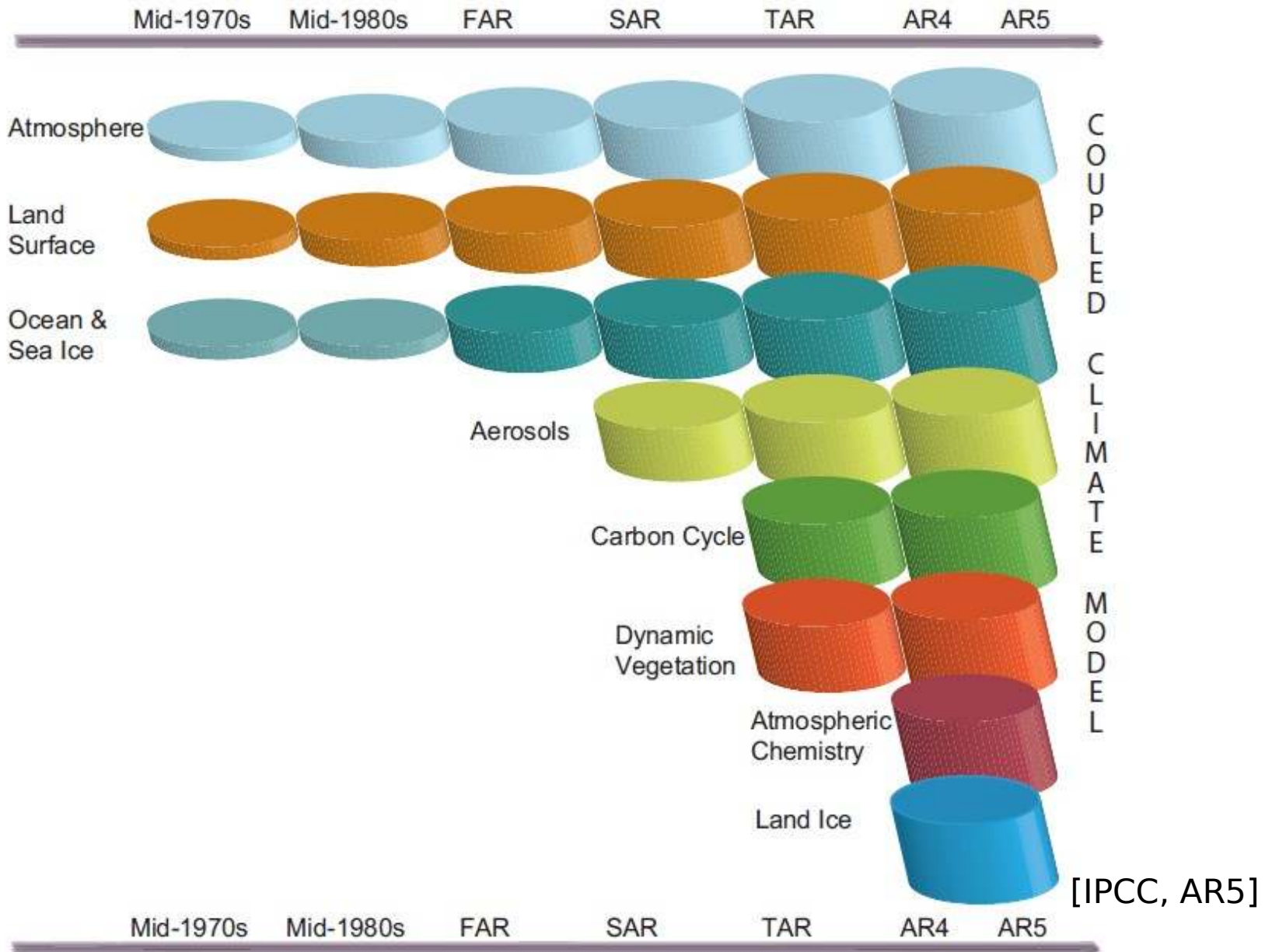
Dynamical core : discretized version of the equations of fluid mechanics

- Mass Conservation: $D\rho/Dt + \rho \operatorname{div}\underline{U} = 0$
- Energy Conservation: $D\theta / Dt = Q / C_p (p_0/p)^\kappa$
- Momentum Conservation
 $D\underline{U}/Dt + (1/\rho) \operatorname{grad}p - g + 2 \underline{\Omega} \wedge \underline{U} = \underline{F}$
- Conservation of Water (and other species): $Dq/Dt = S_q$

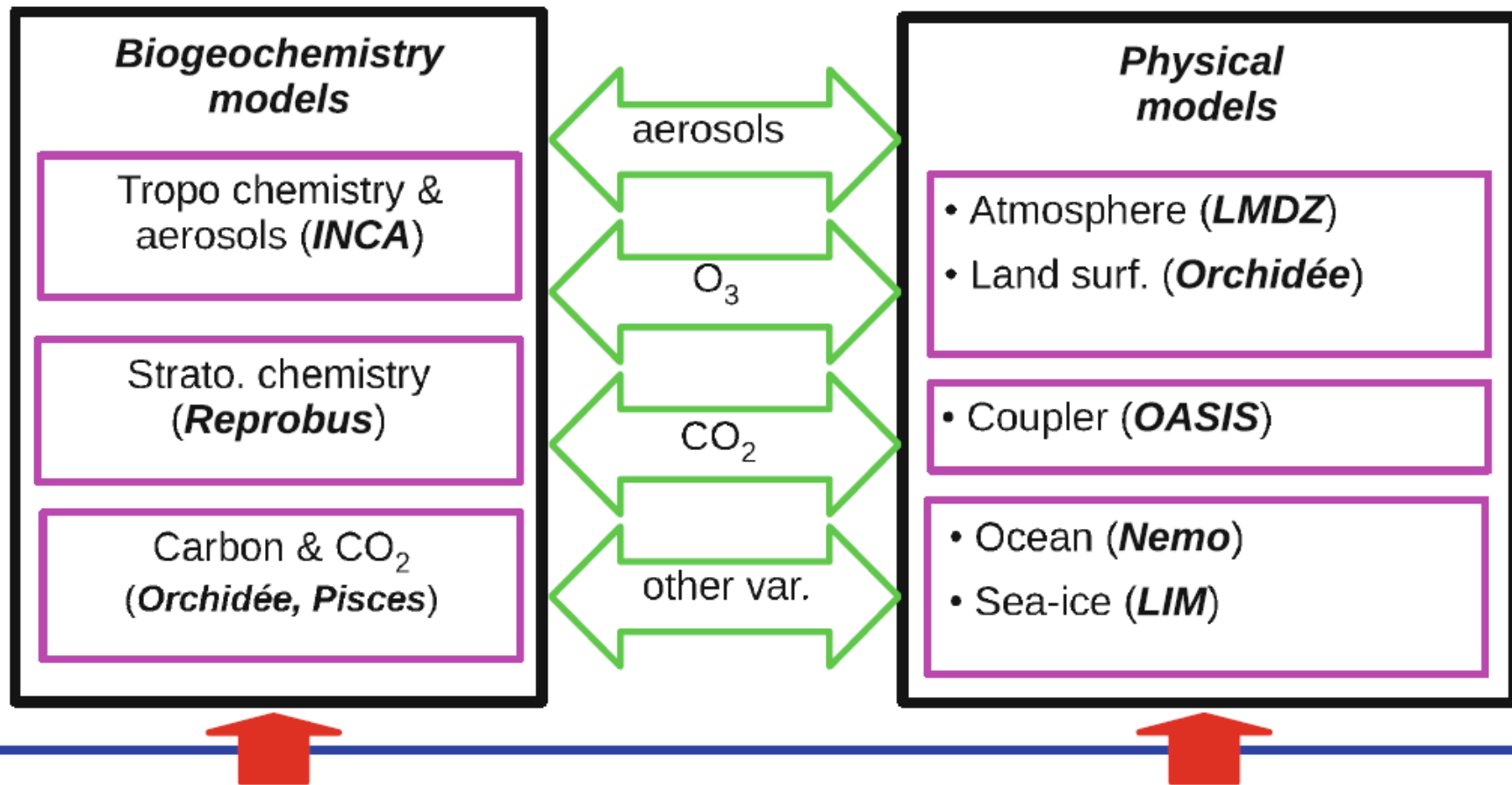
In red, source terms : other than fluid mechanics and unresolved scales
 => **sub-grid models (parameterizations)**



Evolution of climate models



IPSL-CM5 Earth System Model platform



Natural and anthropogenic perturbations

CO₂
emissions

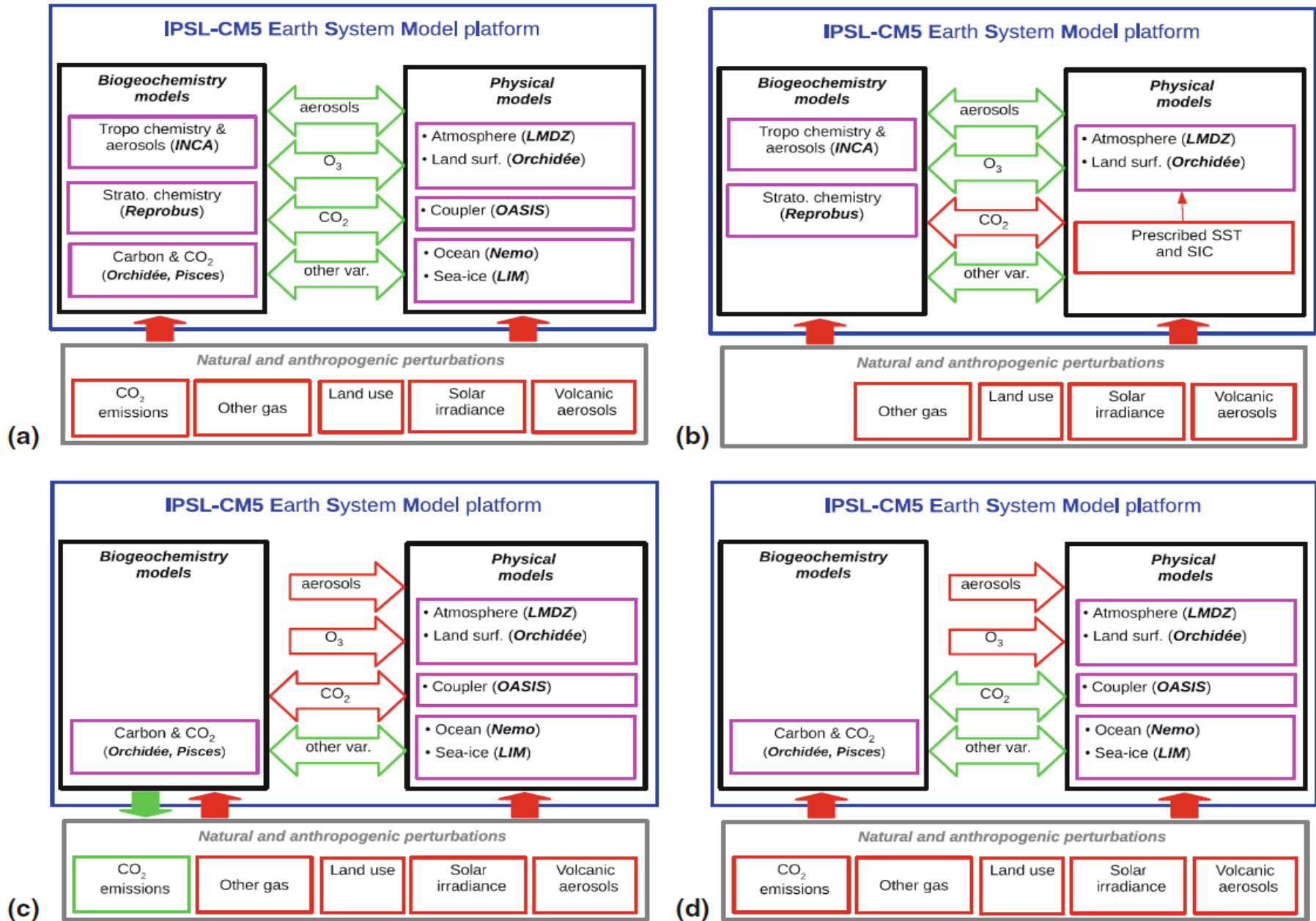
Other gas

Land use

Solar
irradiance

Volcanic
aerosols

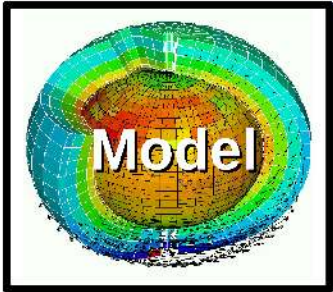
More than a model, a model family



Climate simulations

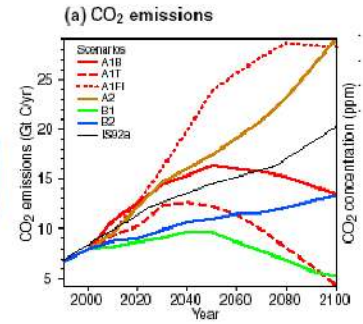
Initial conditions
Temperature
water vapour
salinity
all over the globe

Boundary conditions (forcings)
Ex: insolation
Greenhouse gases

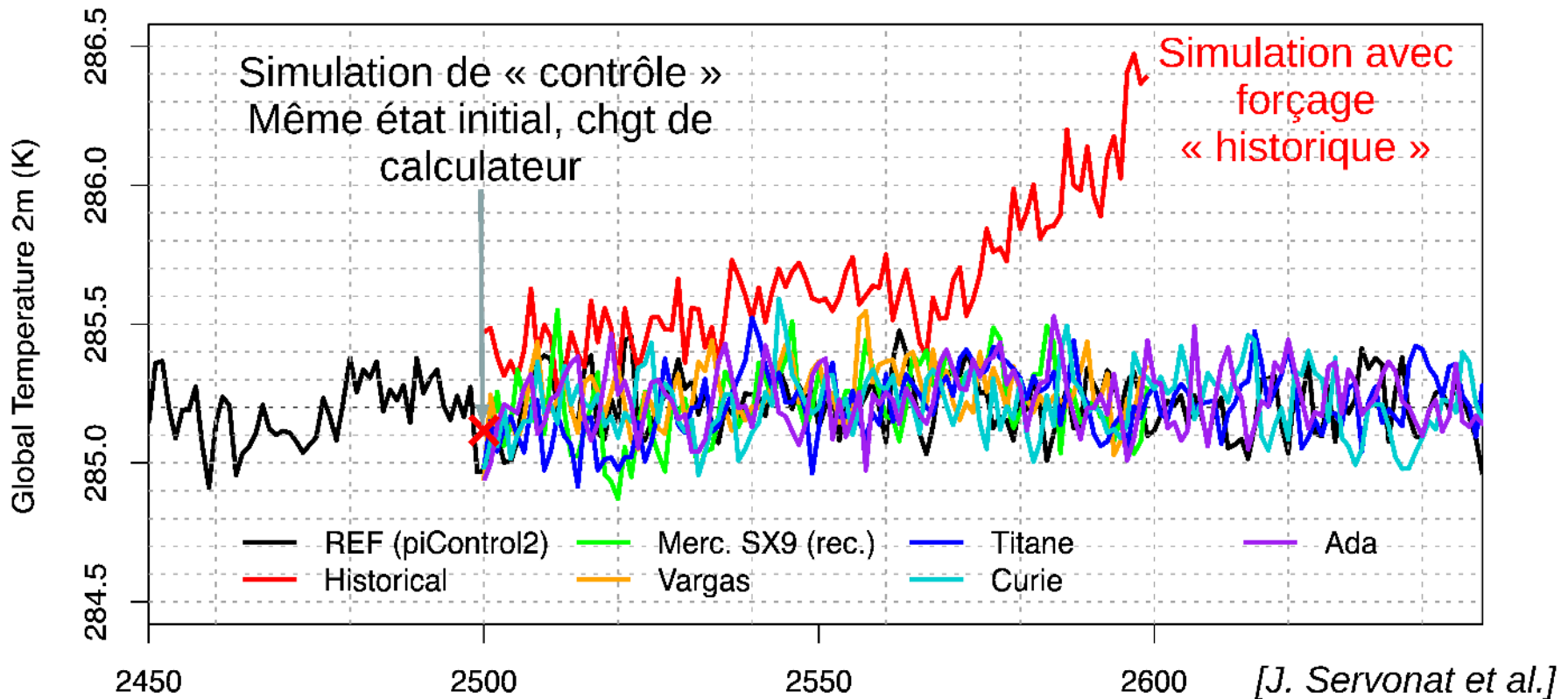
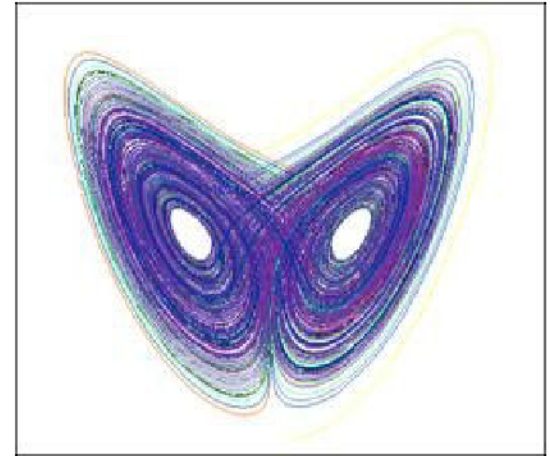


Results
Temperature
water vapour
salinity

Statistical analysis



Sensibilité à l'état initial... ou au calculateur.

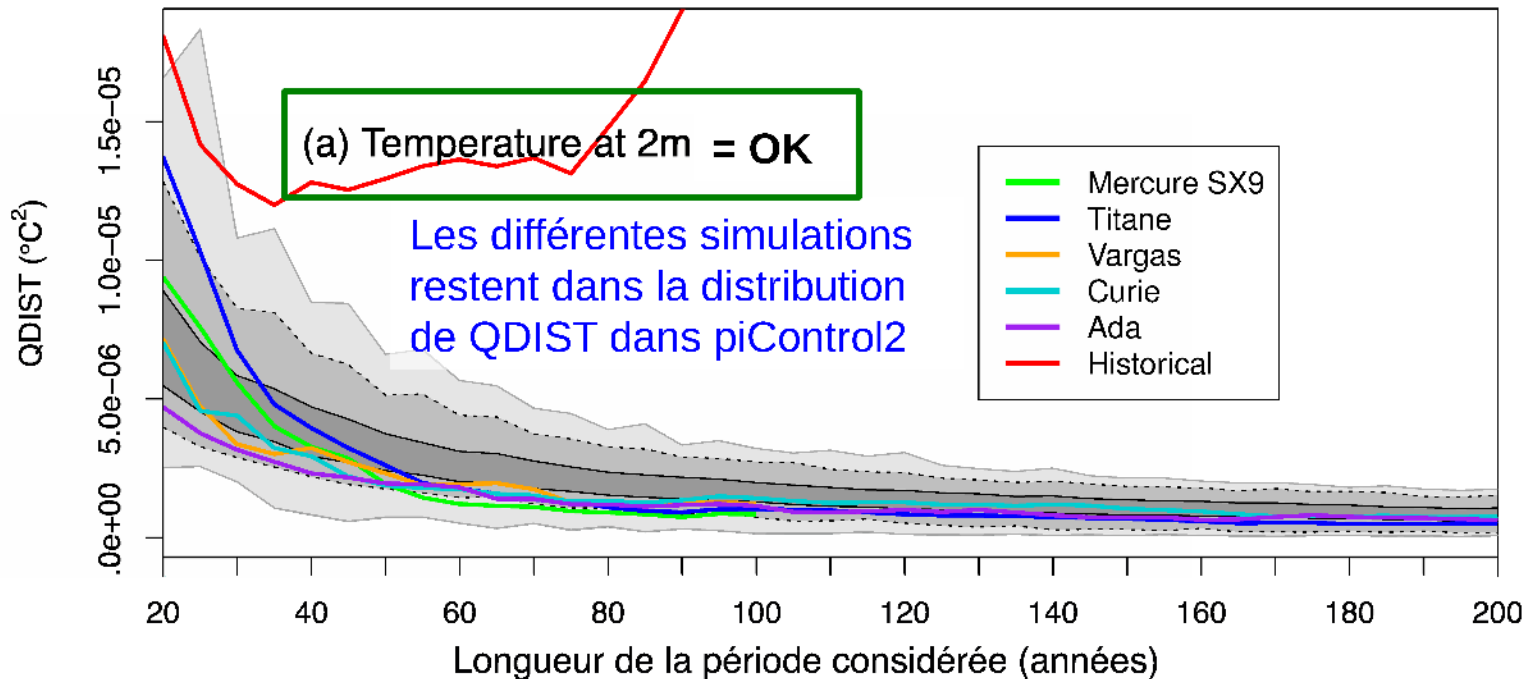


Les climats sont-ils identiques? Convergences des valeurs moyennes?

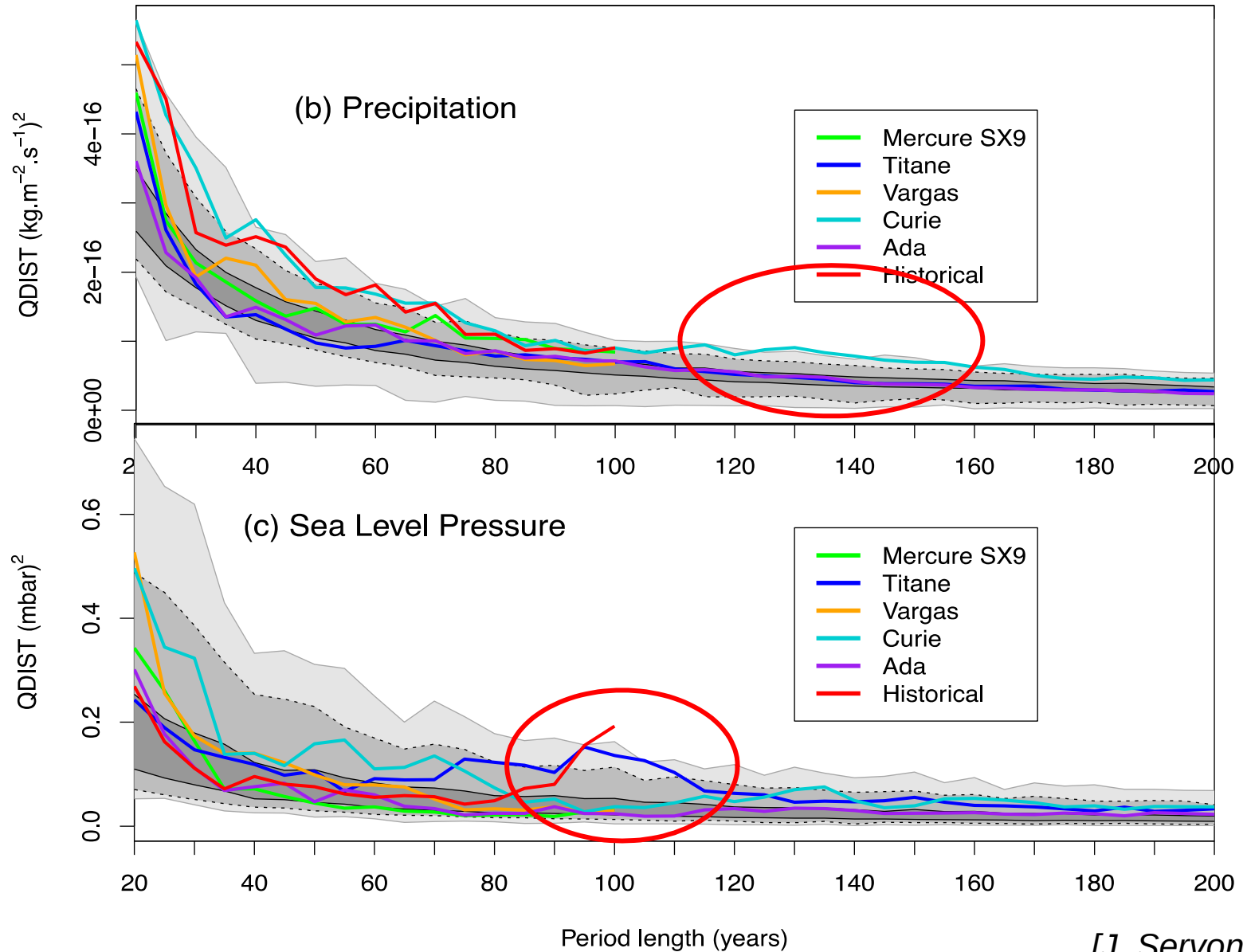
$$QDIST(T, calc) = \sum_i^N \left(w_i \times [X_{T,calc}(i) - X_{T,piControl2}(i)]^2 \right)$$

↑
période

Convergence en fonction de la longueur de la période



Convergences des valeurs moyennes?



Ajustement des paramètres

Modélisation des phénomènes sous-maille :

- Comporte des paramètres « agrégés » ou empiriques
- Certains ont un effet global important

Modèles climatiques :

- Aucun rappel aux observations
- Bilan d'énergie doit être nul pour un climat « préindustriel »

Il y a une phase d'ajustement des paramètres (« tuning »)

- Jusqu'à présent essentiellement empiriques
- Minimisation de critères ? (risques de sur-ajustement)
- Suppression des valeurs conduisant à des comportement « non physique », recherche de paramètres acceptable « history matching » (Williamson et al., 2013, 2015)

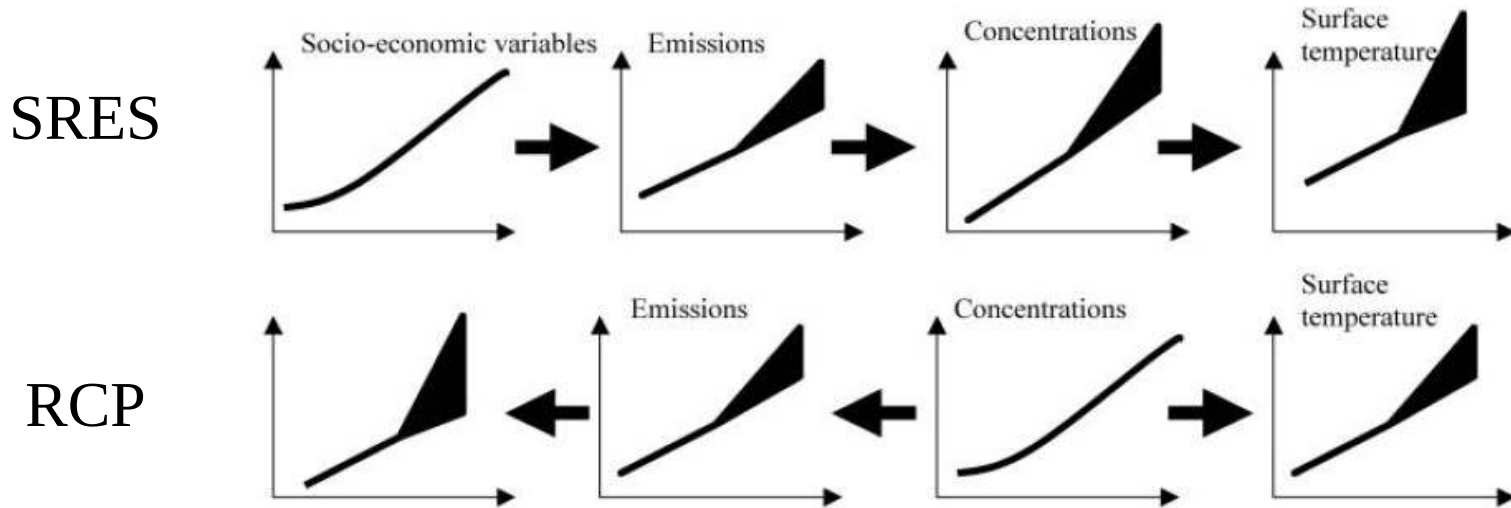
Quelle information utiliser lors de cet ajustement ?

- Réchauffement observé au 20^e siècle ?
- Sensibilité climatique ?

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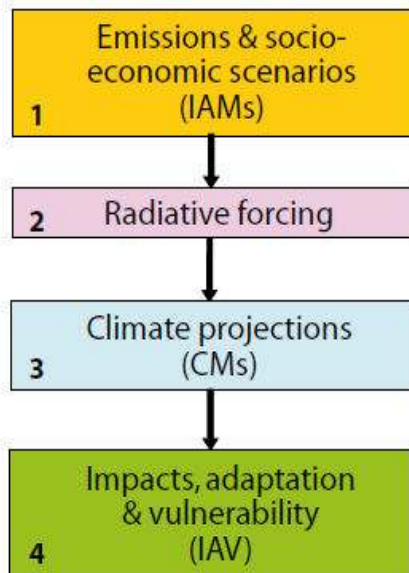
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Scenario for future climate change projections

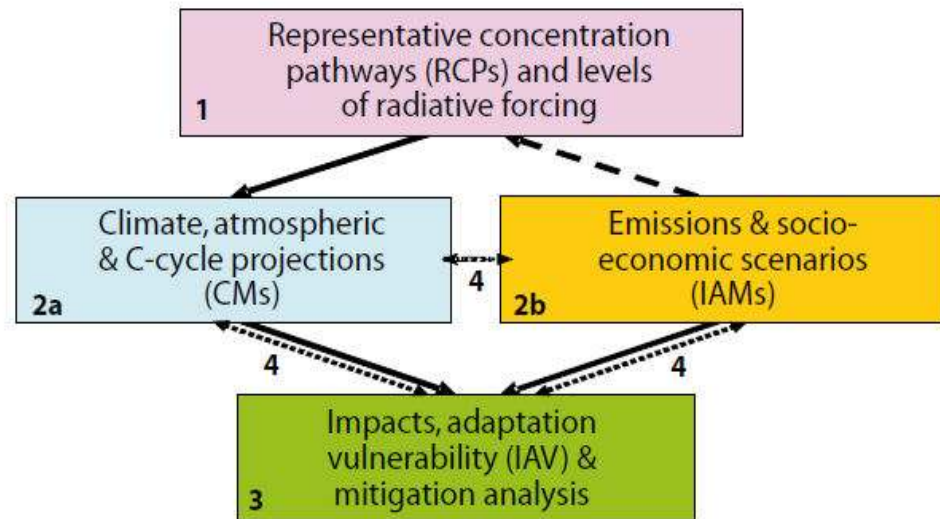


[Hibbard et al., EOS, 2007]

SRES a) Sequential approach



RCP b) Parallel approach

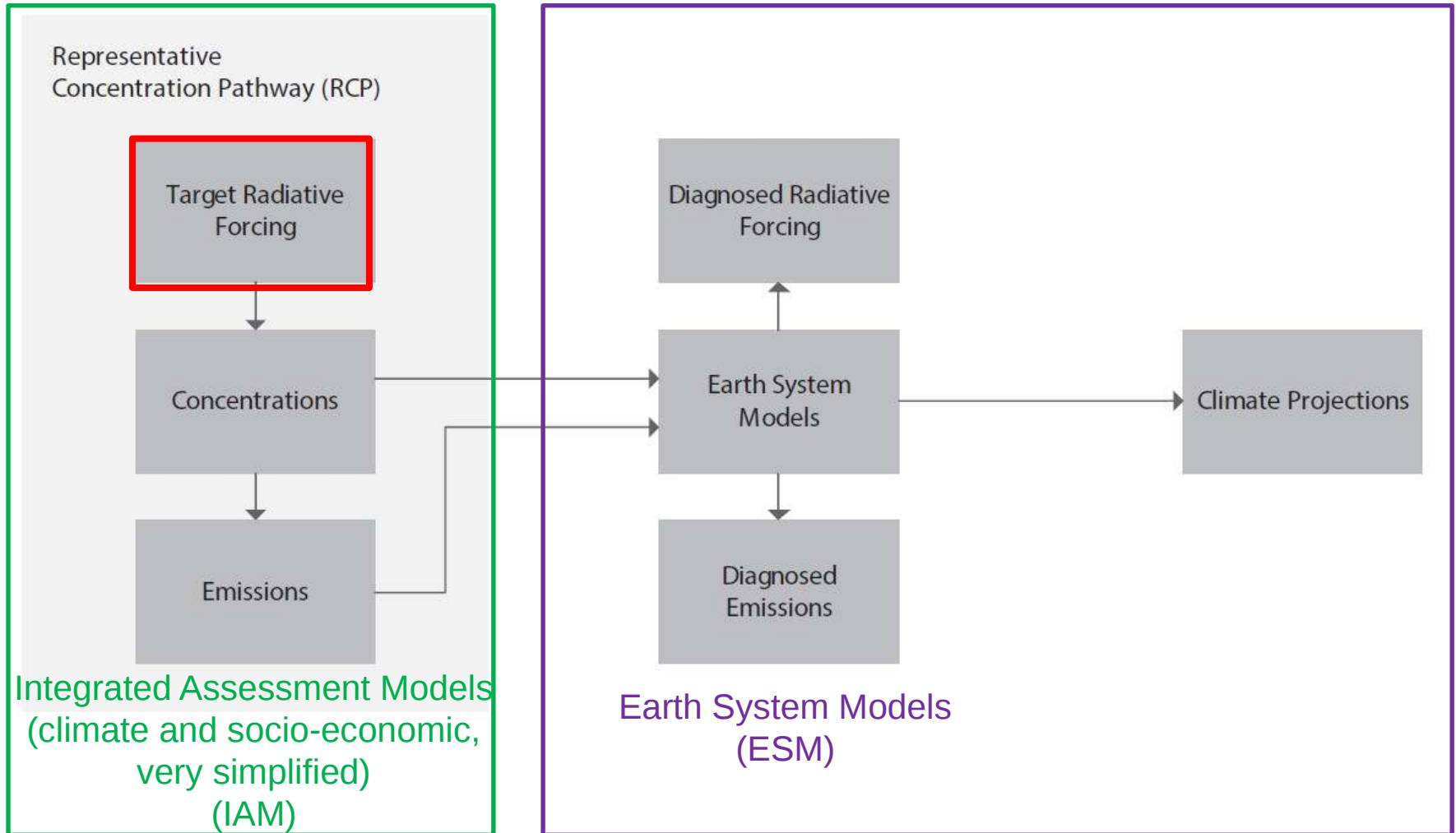


[Moss et al., IPCC, 2008]

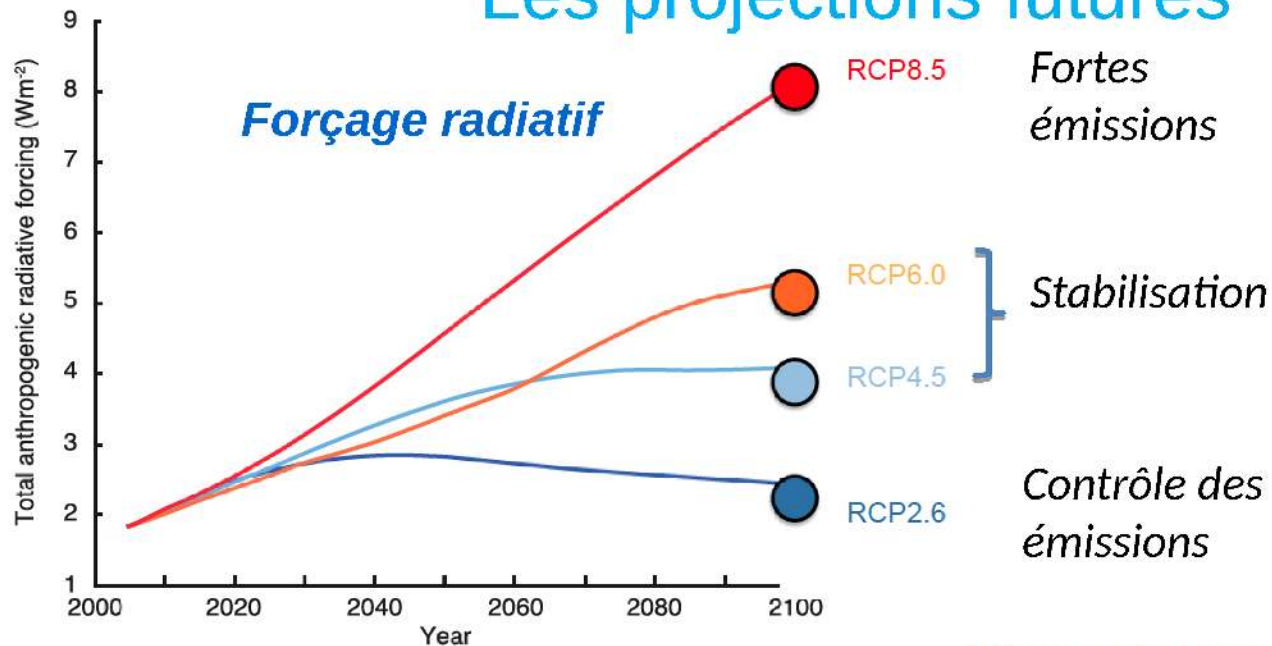
Scenarios for future projections

Scenarios are defined with a target value of the **radiative forcing ($W.m^{-2}$)**

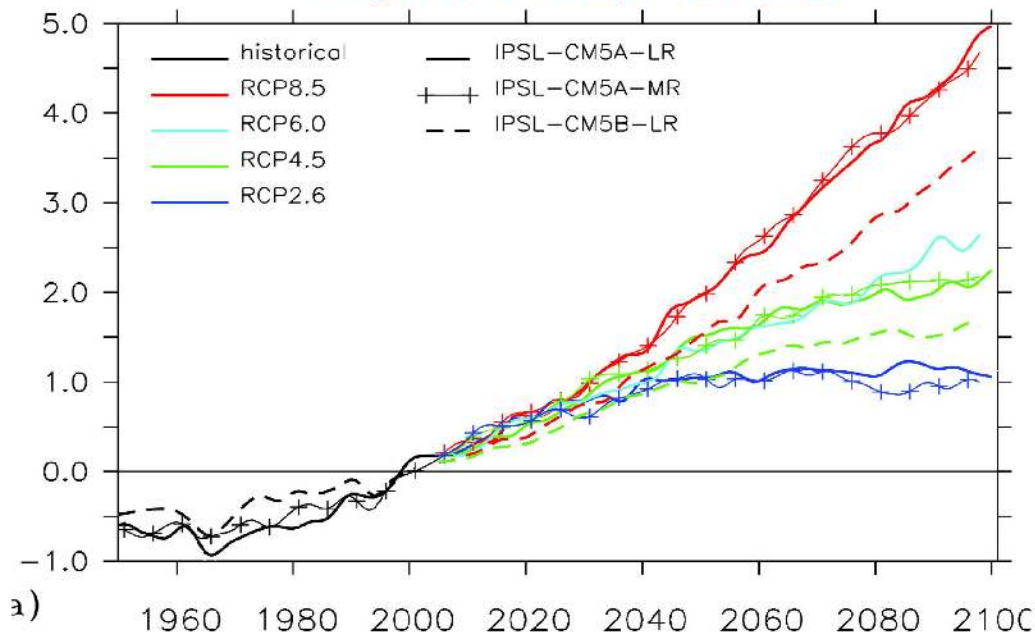
RCP : « Representative concentration pathways »



Les projections futures

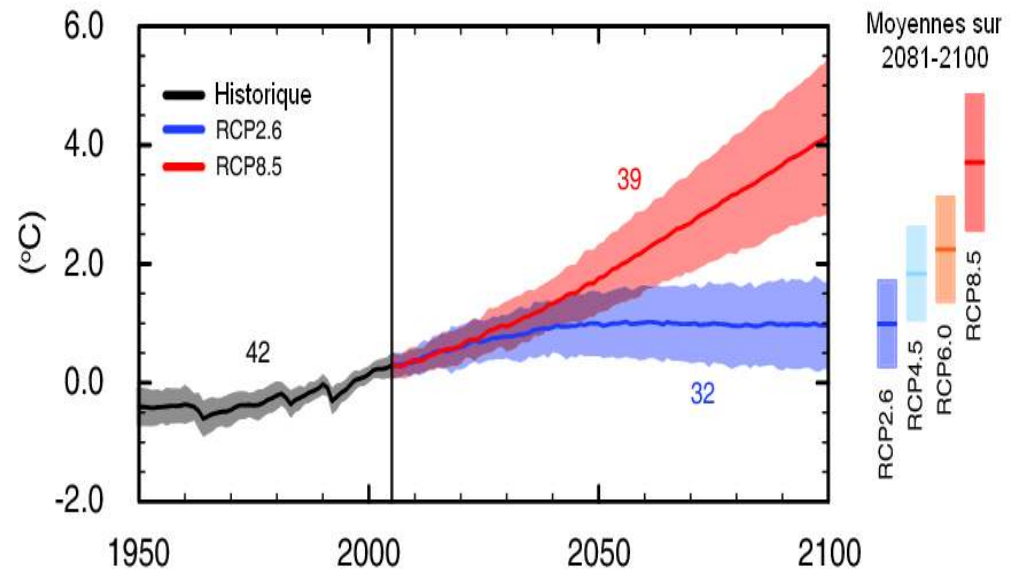


Moyenne temp. surface

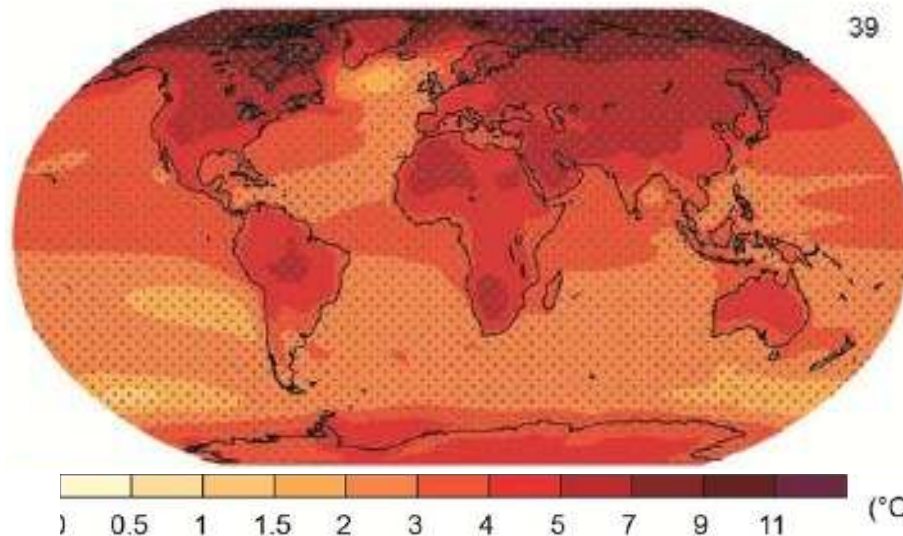


Température de surface

Moyenne globale
1950 à 2100
(40 modèles CMIP5)



En 2100,
scénario RCP8.5
(39 modèles CMIP5)



[GIEC, 2013]

Variability and response to forcings.

Climate variations have different origins:

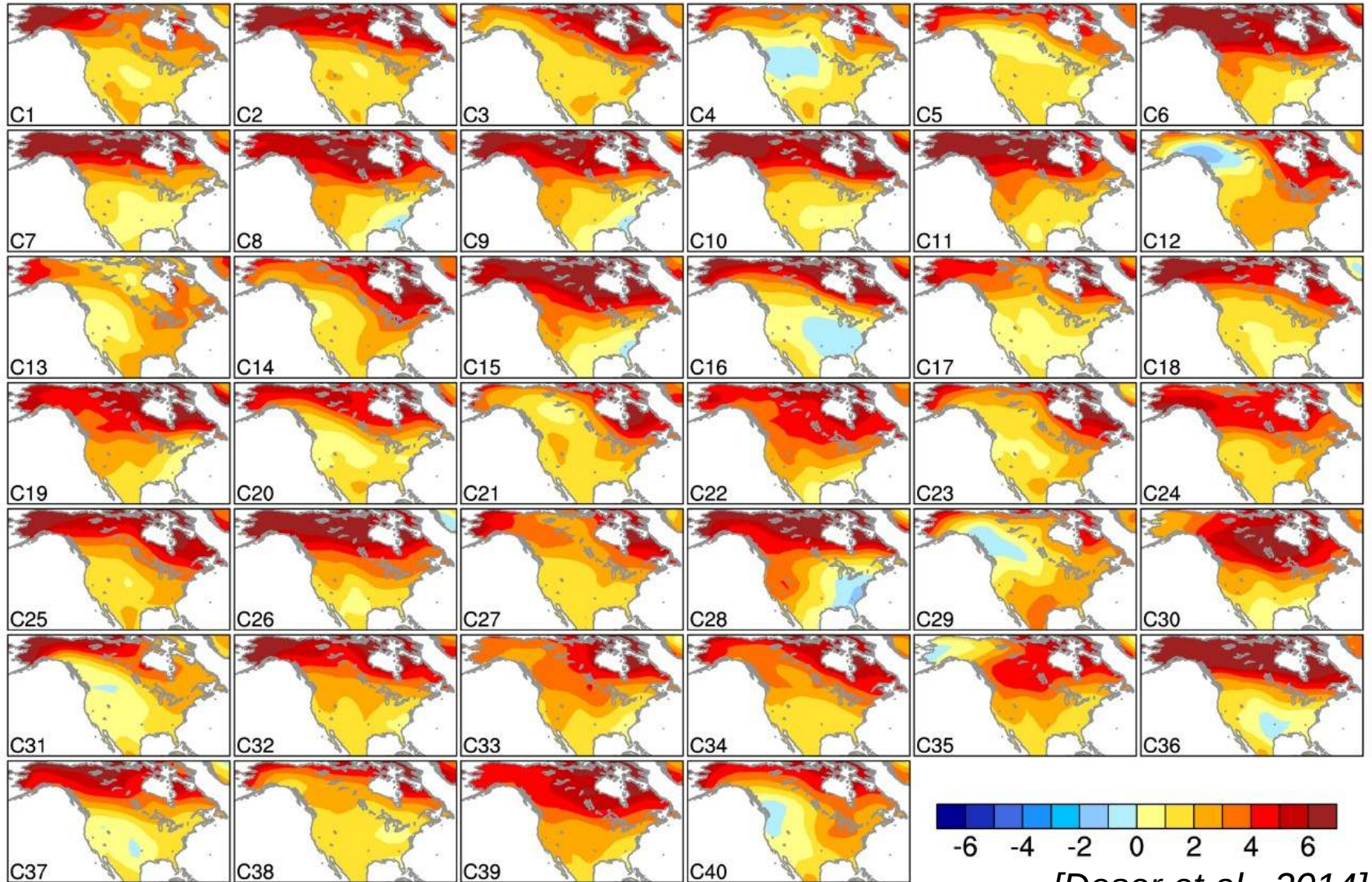
$$\underbrace{\Delta T}_{\text{variation}} \approx \underbrace{\Delta T_{int}}_{\text{internal variability}} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial T}{\partial Q} \Delta Q_{nat}}_{\text{response to natural forcings}} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial T}{\partial Q} \Delta Q_{ant}}_{\text{response to anthropogenic forcings}}$$

natural variability

- Difference between simulations includes all these terms
- Their relative difference depends on time average and on the amplitude of the forcings
- All these terms may differ among models

Changement climatique et variabilité naturelle

Tendance sur 50 ans de la température hivernale ($^{\circ}\text{C}/50$ ans)



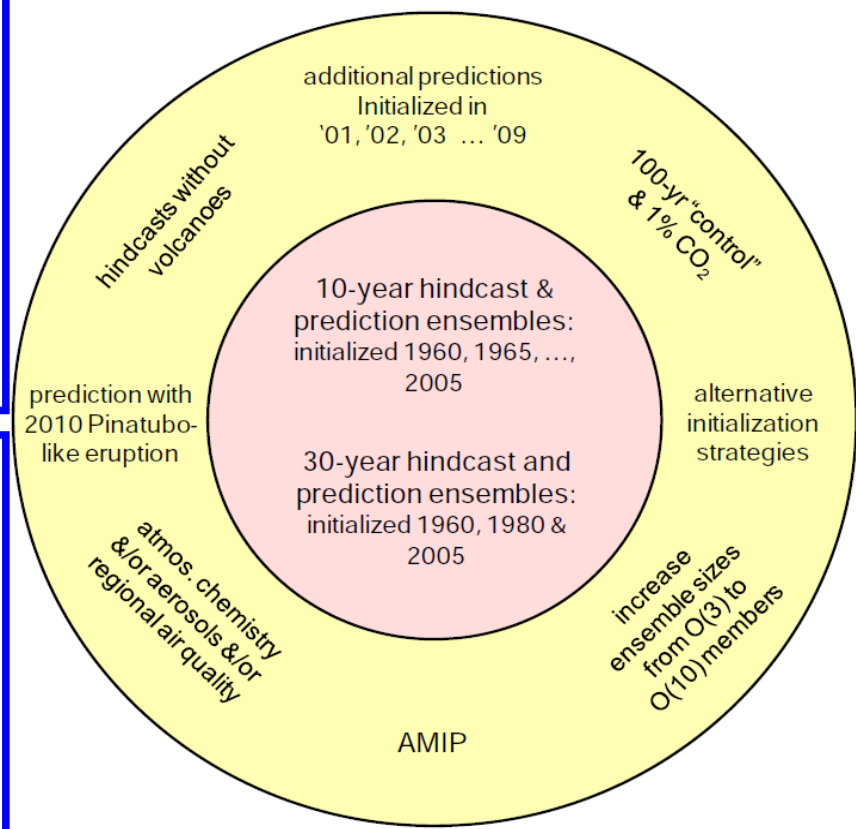
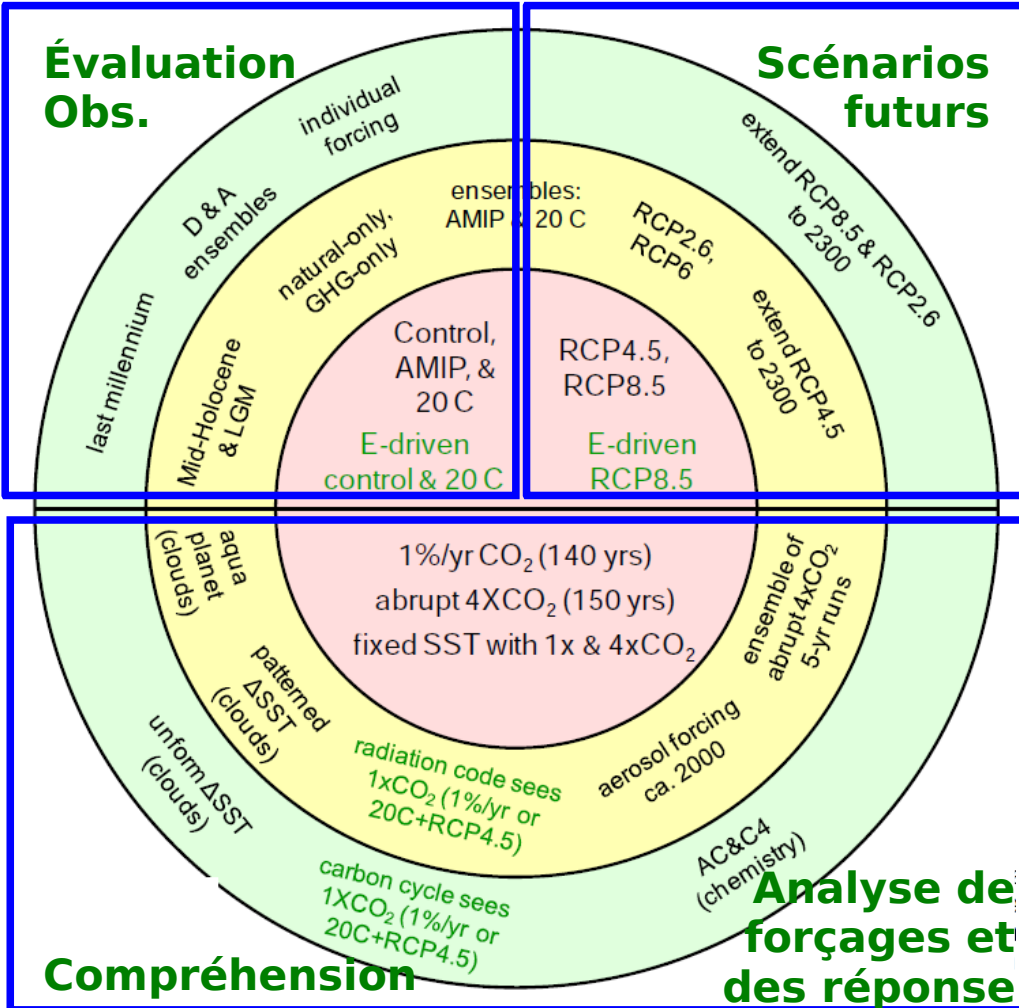
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Simulations proposées par CMIP-5

Long terme (centennal)

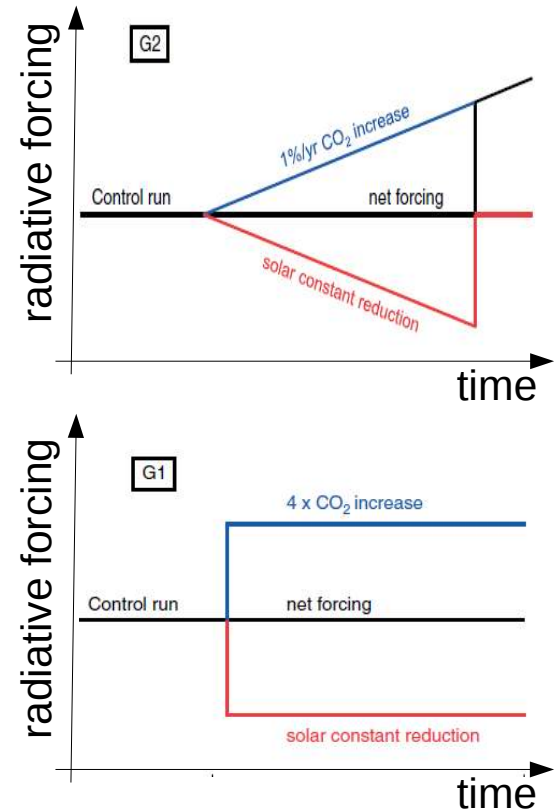
Court terme (décennal)



Future projections

Idealized experiments:

- Understanding climate response
 - Quantified climate sensitivity
 - Idealized tests
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- CO₂ concentration increase 1%/year
 - Instantaneous quadrupling of CO₂ concentration
 - Idealized geoengineering: decrease solar constant
 - Ocean surface temperature increase by +4°C



Scenarios. Their roles:

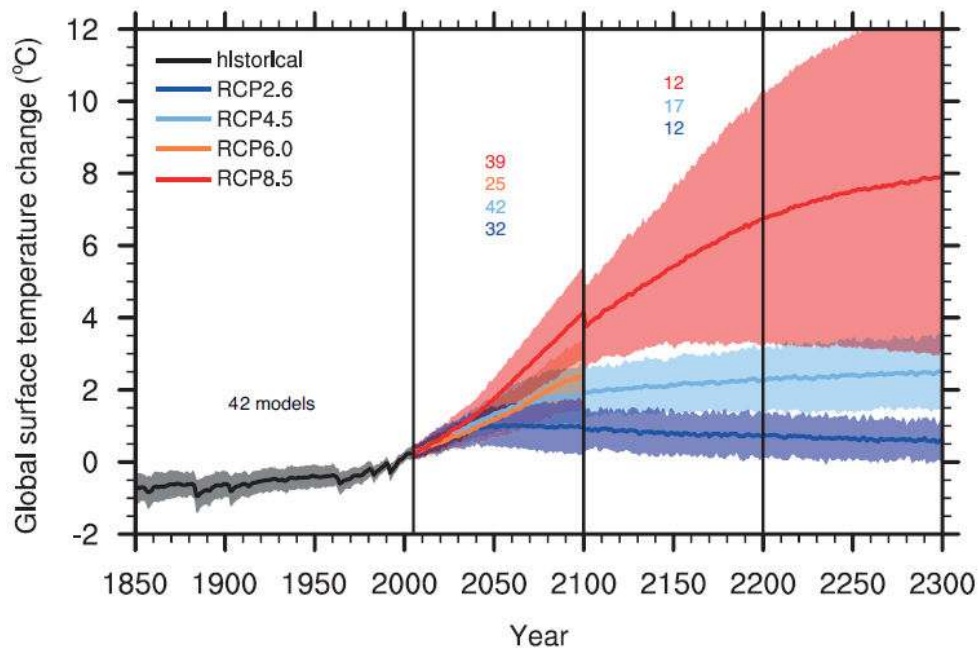
- Represent realistic possible futures?
- Explore contrasted hypothesis of possible futures?
- Train simplified models (climate emulators)?
- Understanding climate responses?

Currently, it is mainly the two first points that are addressed

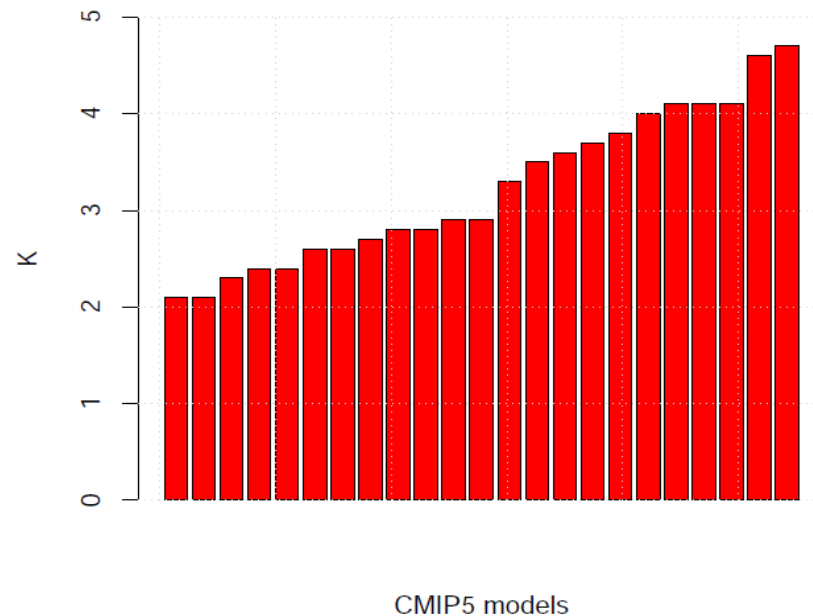
Amplitude du réchauffement Sensibilité climatique

Accroissement de la moyenne des températures de surface

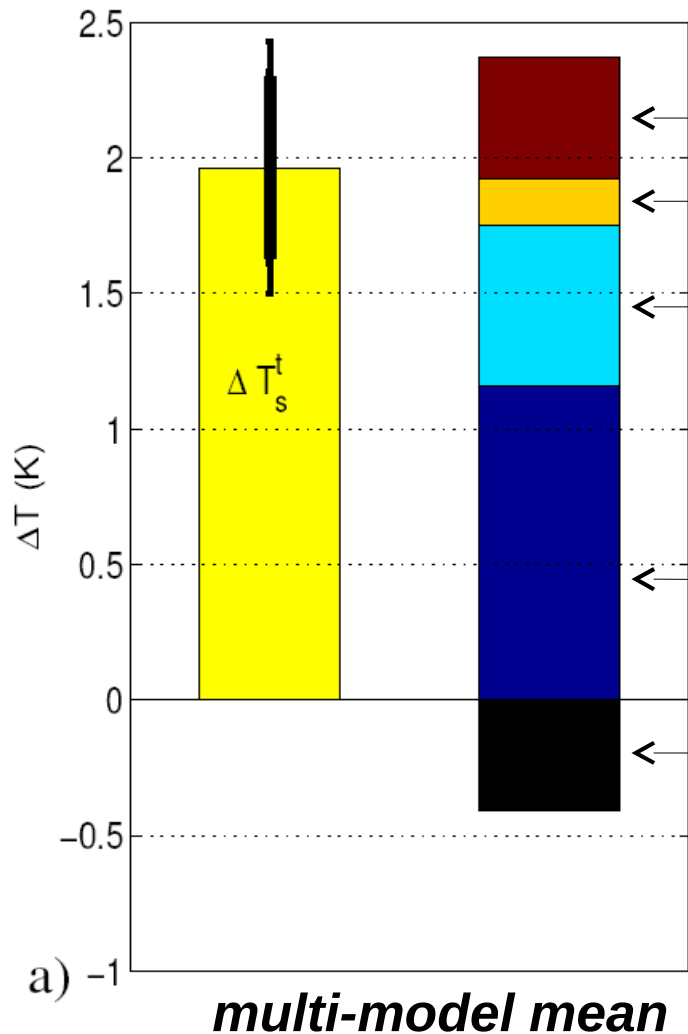
Pour des scénarios « réalistes »



Pour un doublement de CO₂



Transient temperature response to a CO₂ doubling (CO₂ increase 1%/year, 70 years)



Climate feedbacks: Indirect response to the forcing

clouds

snow and ice (surface albedo)

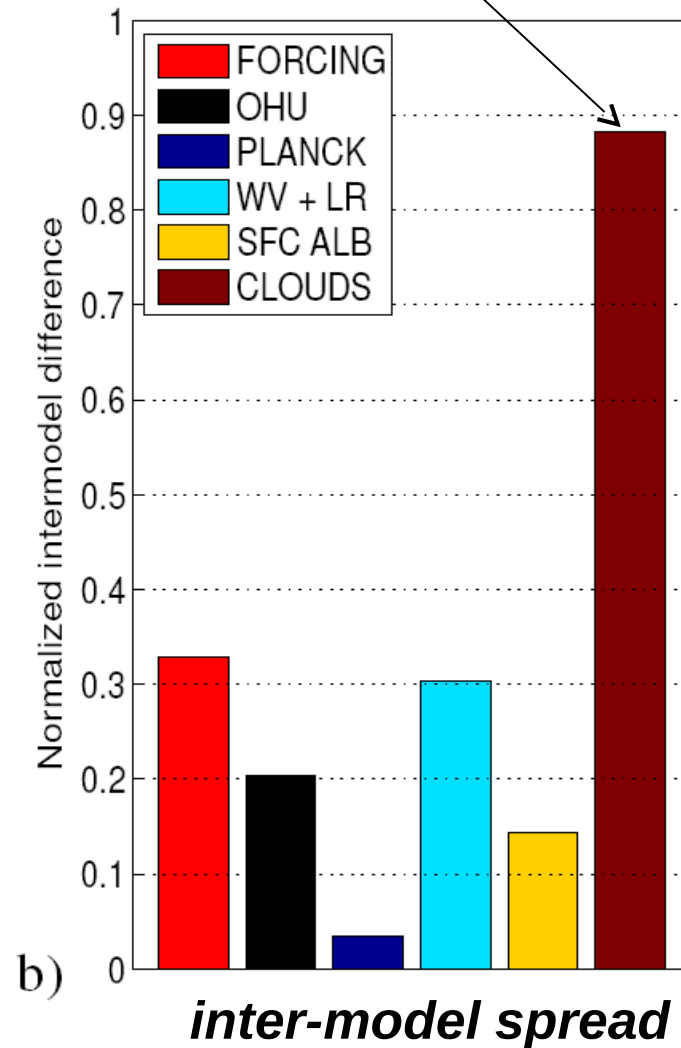
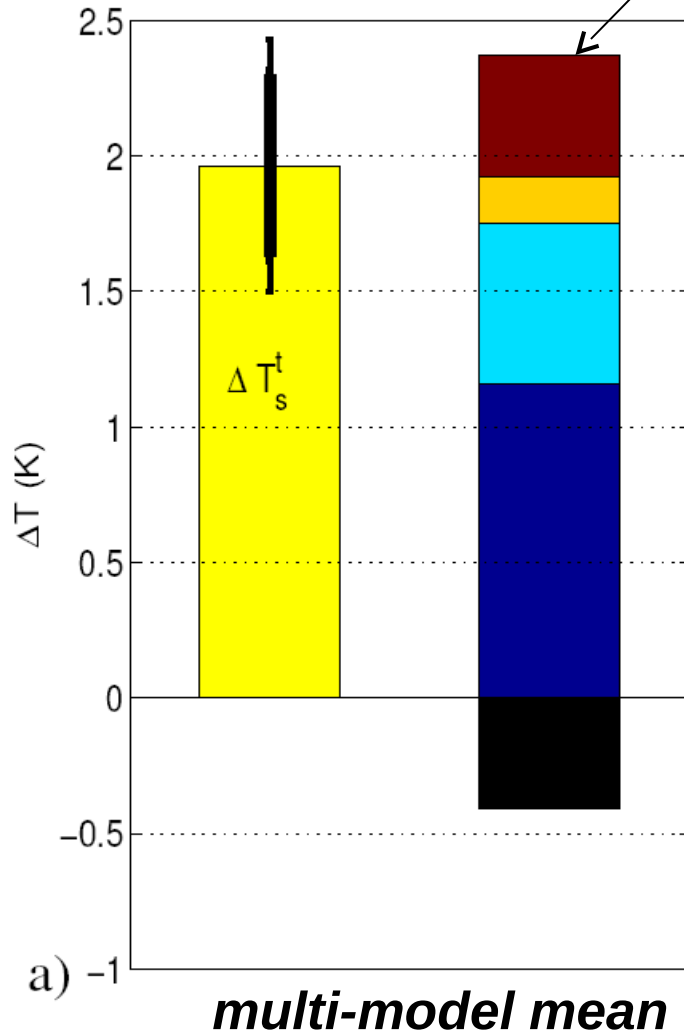
water vapor

Direct response to the forcing
Planck response

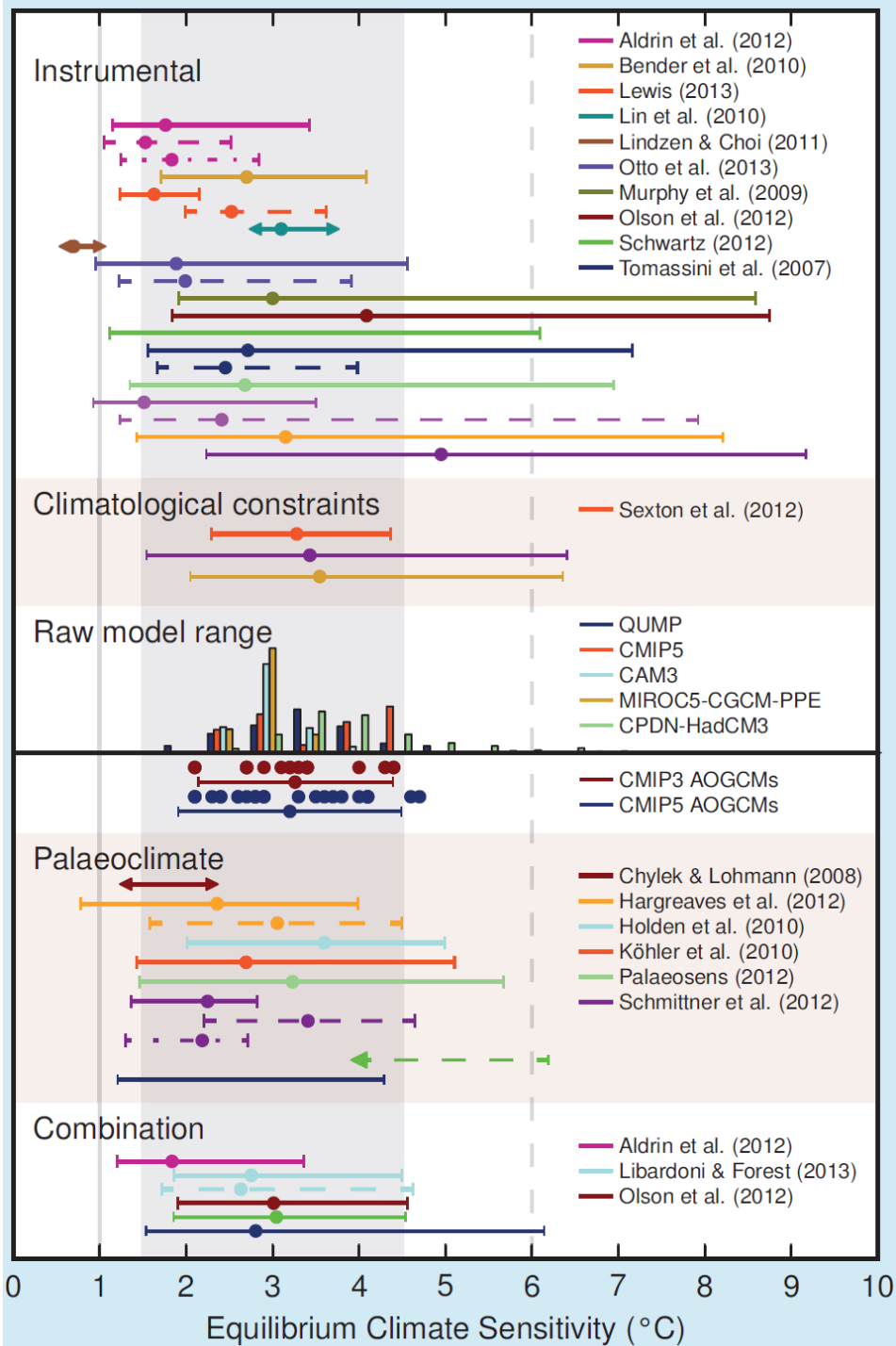
ocean heat uptake

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Cloud feedback

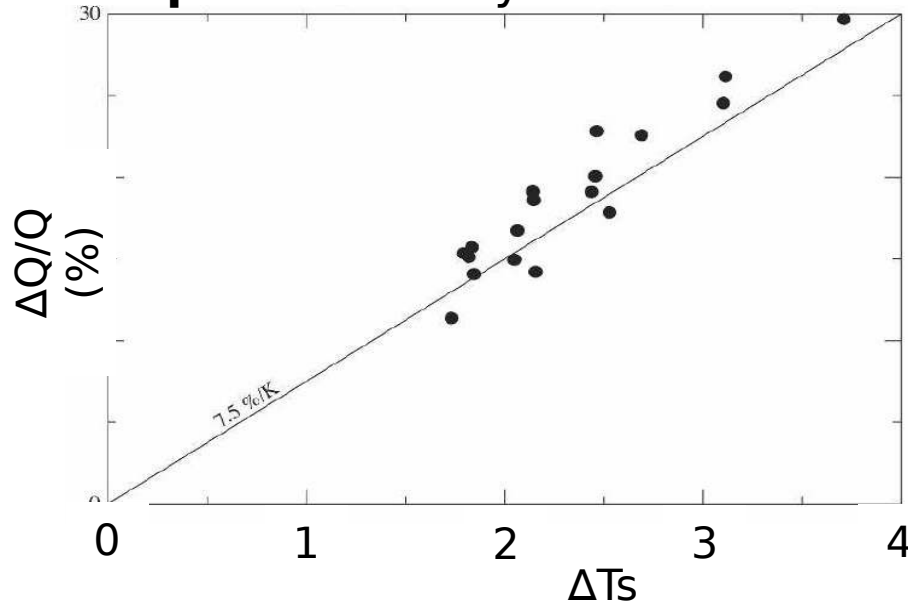


(Dufresne & Bony, 2008)



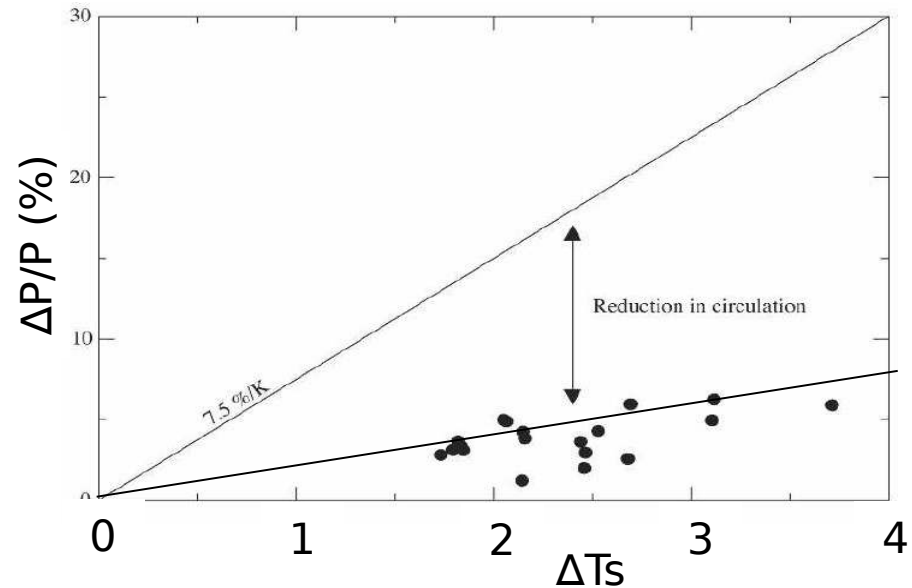
Changement de la moyenne des précipitations

Changement de la **quantité de H₂O** vs changement de la **température** moyenne de surface

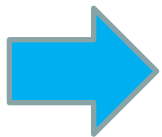


$$\Delta Q/Q (\%) \approx 7.5 \Delta T_s$$

Changement **précipitations** vs changement de la **température** moyenne de surface



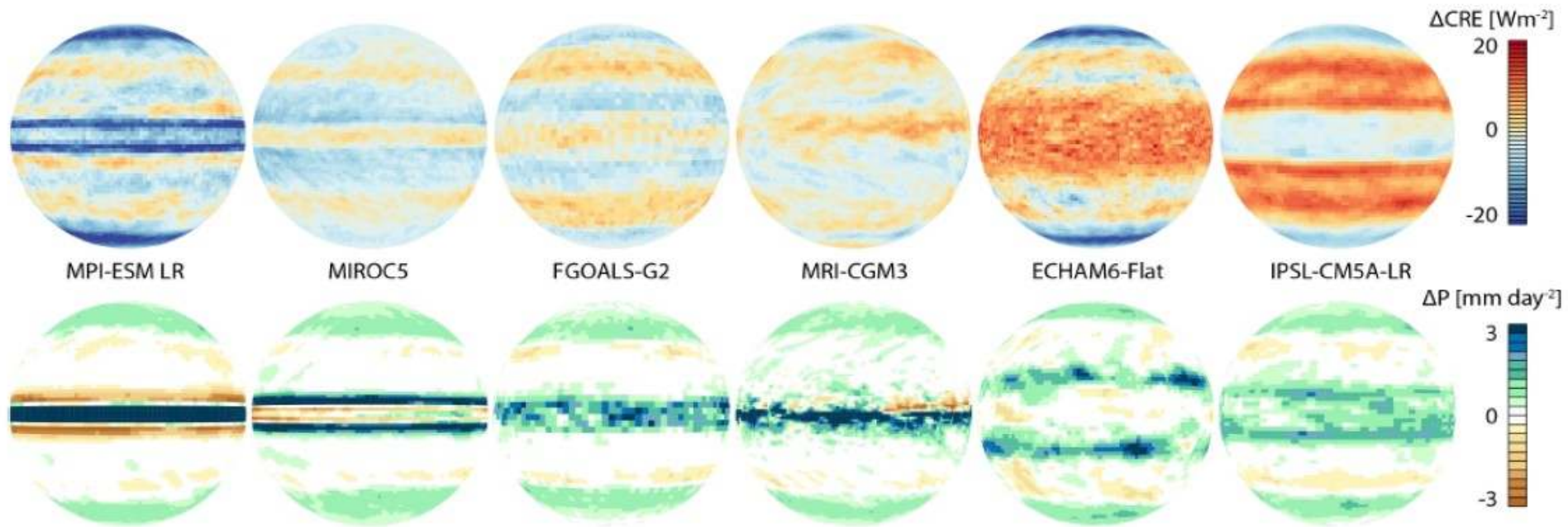
$$\Delta P/P (\%) \approx 1.5 \Delta T_s$$



- Changement moyen de précipitation n'est pas directement relié au changement moyen de vapeur d'eau
- Contrainte énergétique

Idealized experiments: simplify to understand

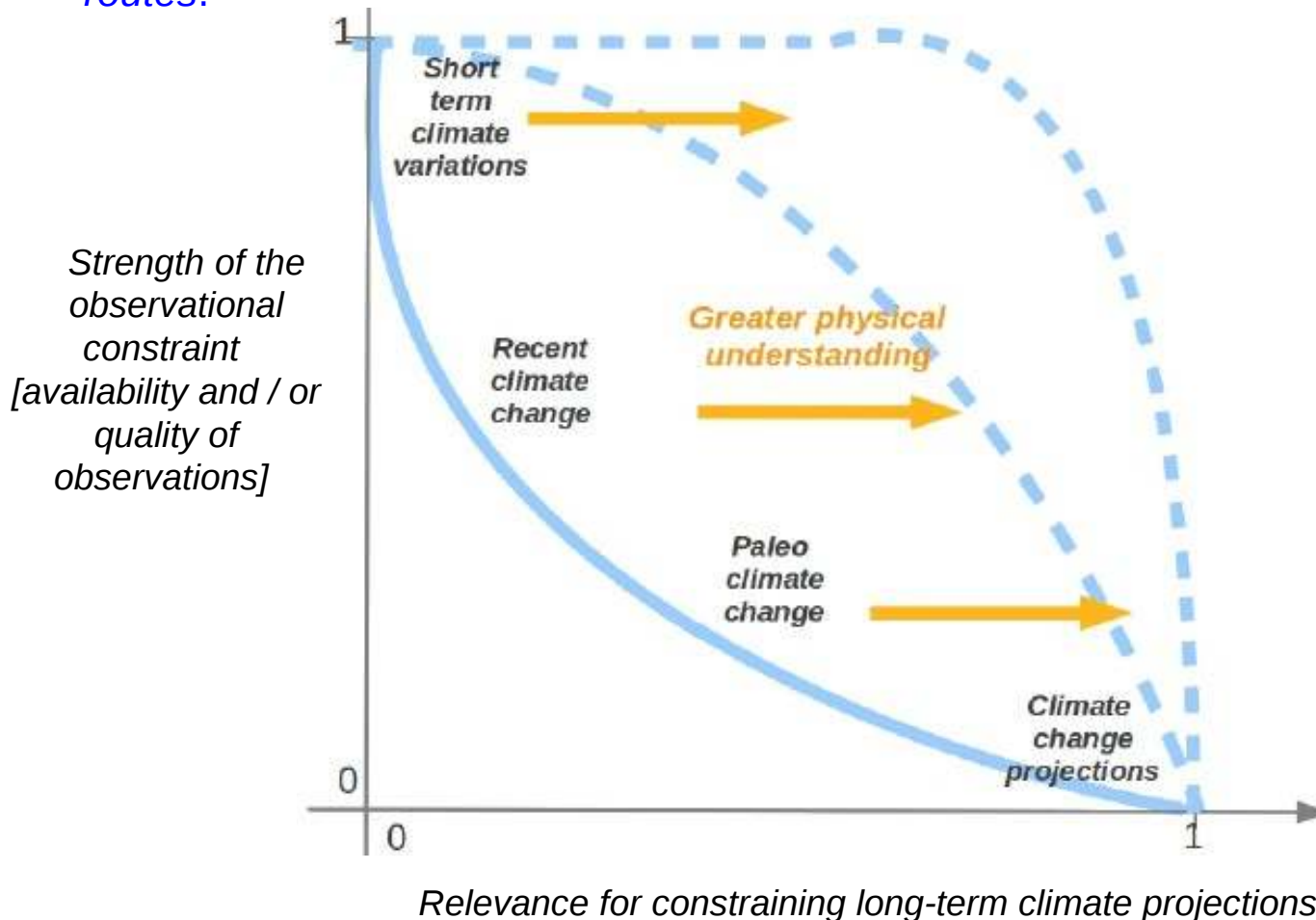
Clouds and precipitation changes for an aquaplanet+4K experiment



[Stevens & Bony, 2013]

Uncertainty and confidence primary depend on our understanding

- Unlike in weather prediction, the reliability of model predictive capabilities for long-term climate change can not be established in a straightforward way... but *only through indirect routes*.



- Few observational tests are fully discriminating of long-term projections.
- Do we apply relevant observational tests ?
- Confidence in climate projections thus remains disproportionately dependent on the development of understanding

An aerial photograph of a vast, snow-covered mountain range. The peaks are rugged and partially covered in white snow, set against a deep blue sky. A vibrant rainbow is visible in the lower-left quadrant of the image. The overall scene is serene and majestic.

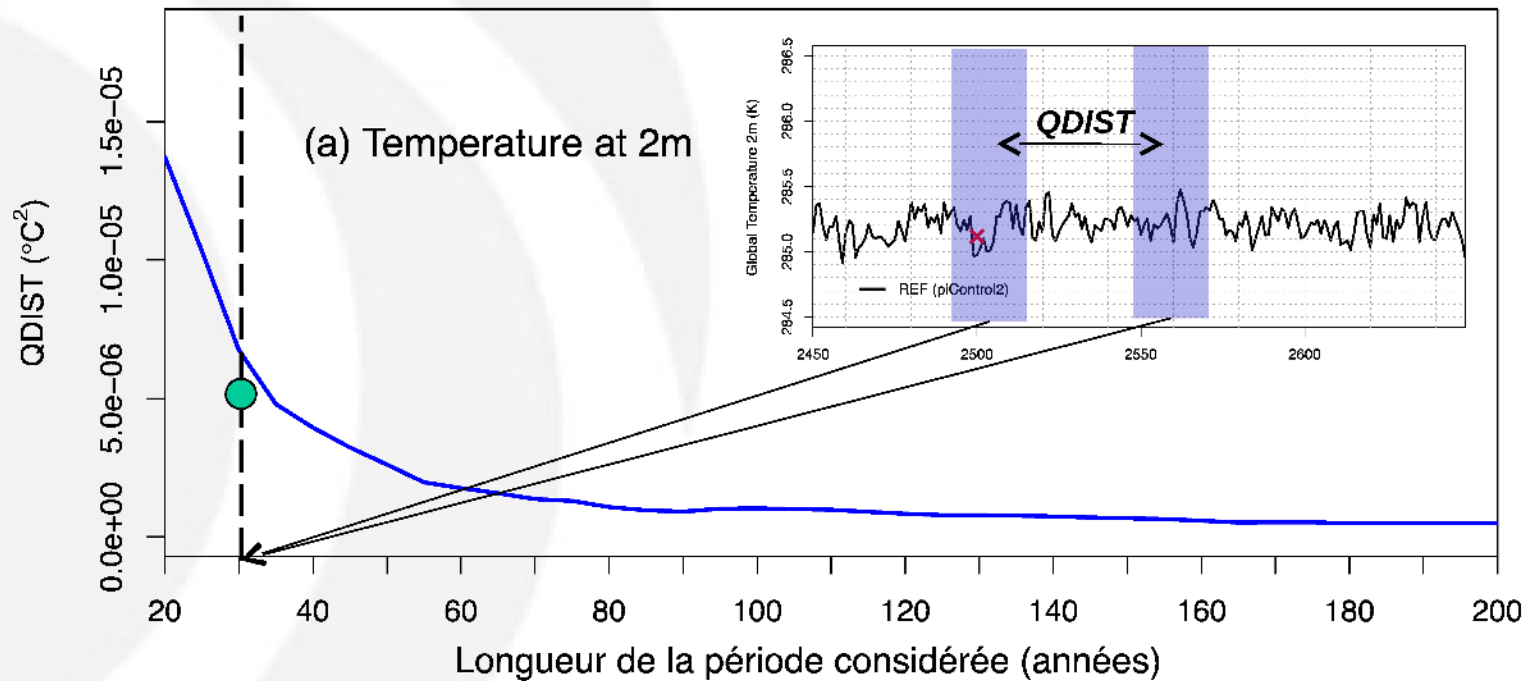
Merci de votre attention

Comment sait-on si le climat est différent?

Estimation de la distribution de QDIST dans piControl2

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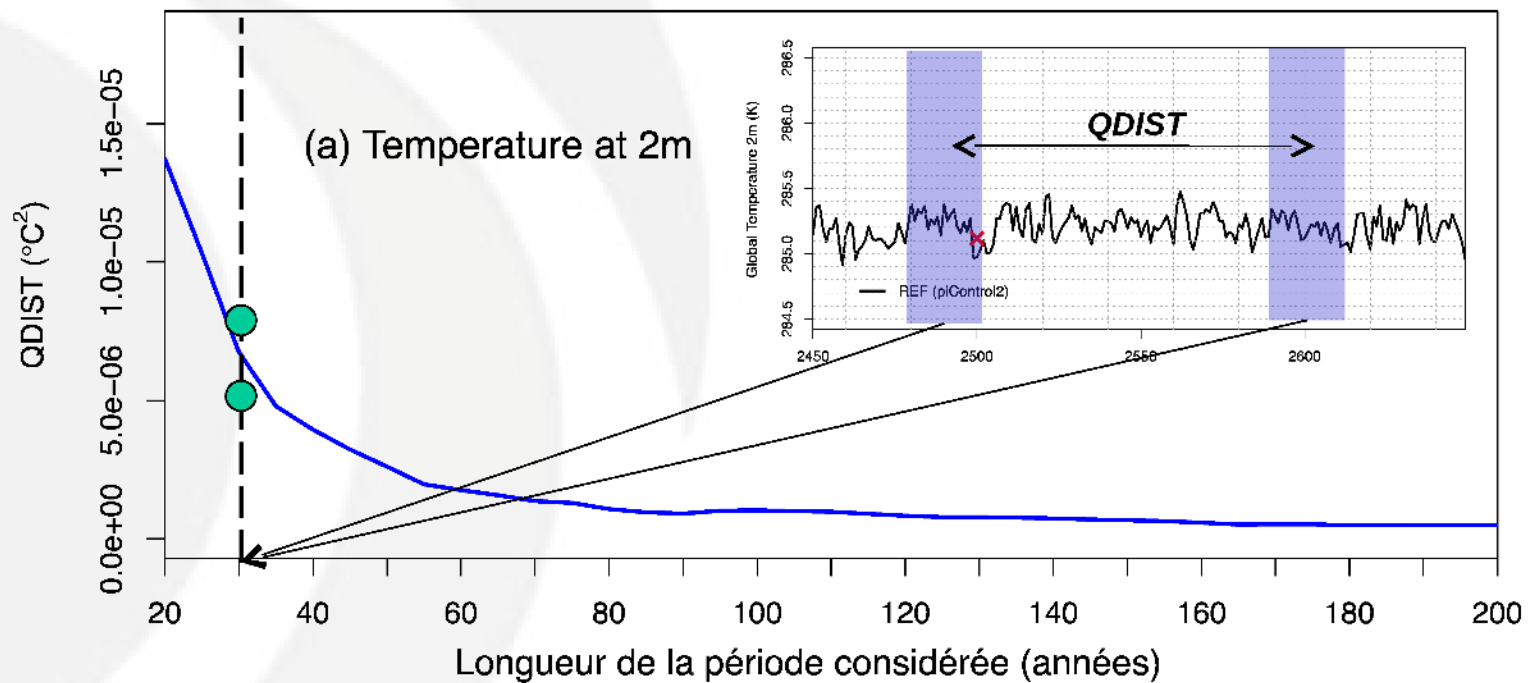


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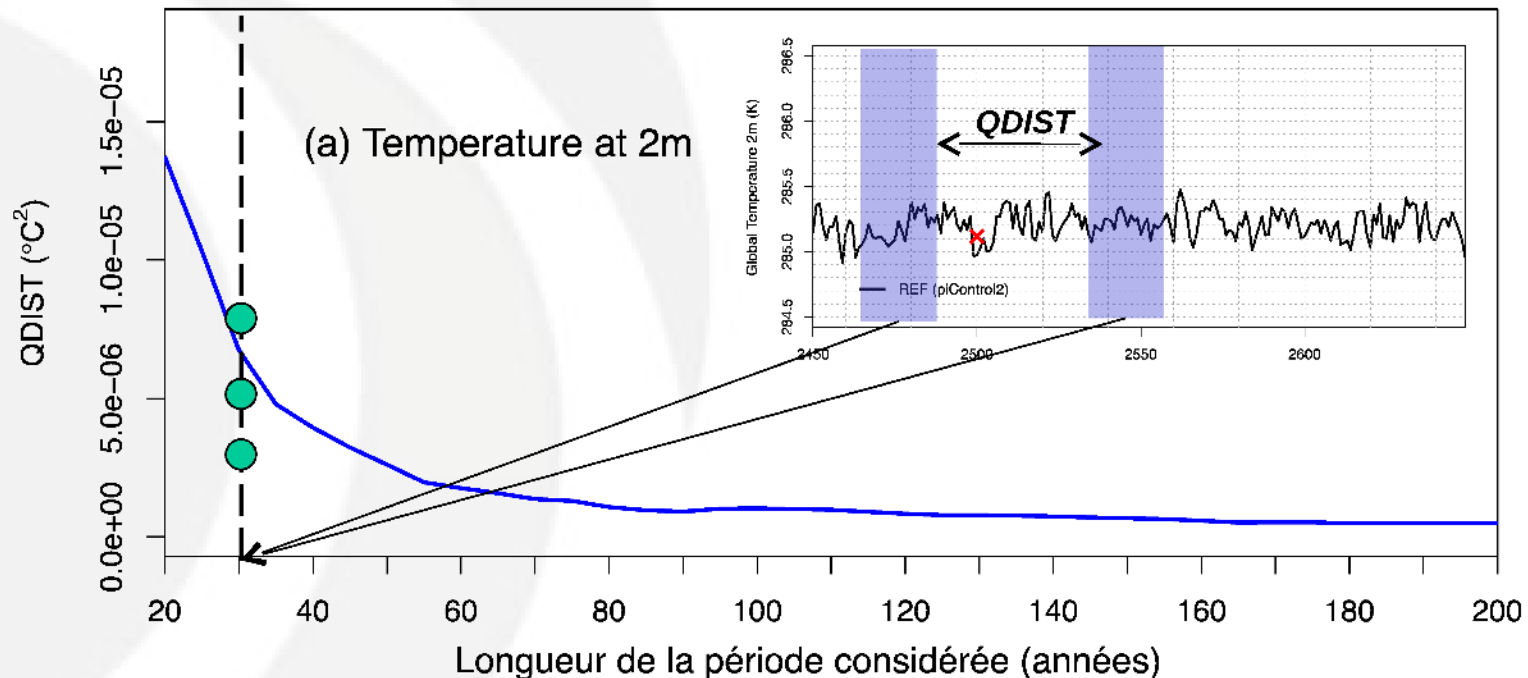


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