



2024 CESM Tutorial

Challenge exercises: Lab intro

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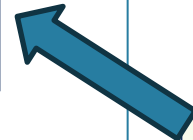
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Challenge Exercises

<https://ncar.github.io/CESM-Tutorial/README.html>

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Biogeochemistry	∨



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Welcome to the CESM Tutorial

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Challenge Exercises

This section of the CESM tutorial is designed to test your understanding of the CESM model that you have learned about in previous sections.

We provide challenge exercises for the individual model components for you to test yourself.

Feel free to try all the challenge exercises or just the one(s) that are relevant for the CESM components of interest to you.

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Breakout leads/areas for challenge exercises



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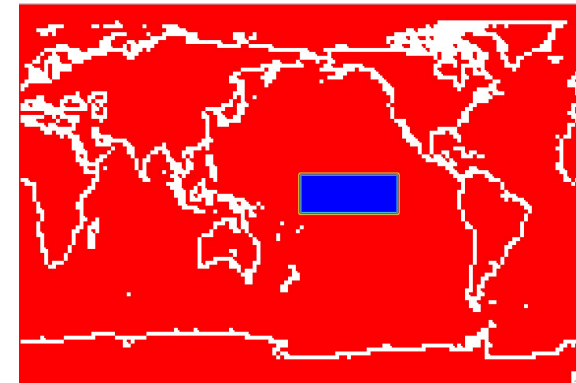
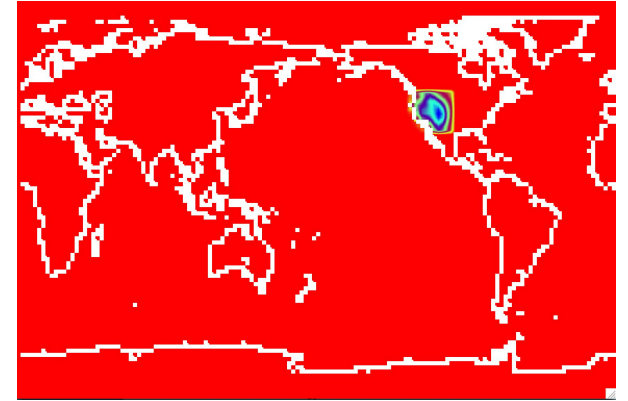
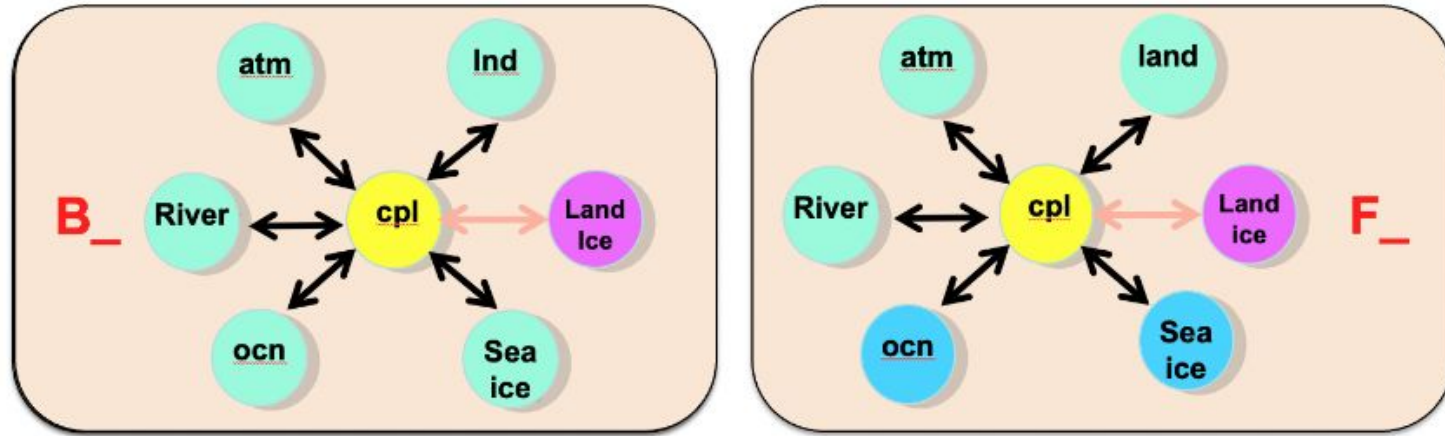


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Ocean

You are welcome to do exercises from different components

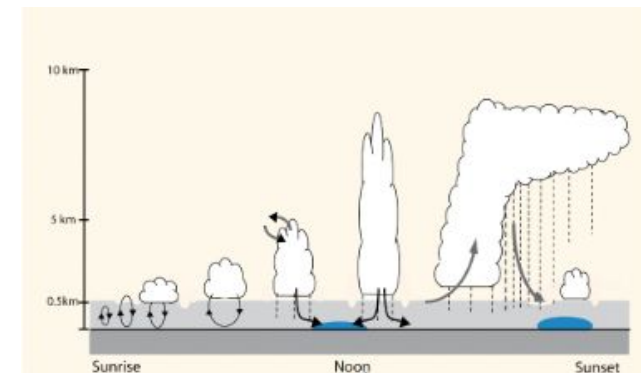
Difference between a B case and a F case

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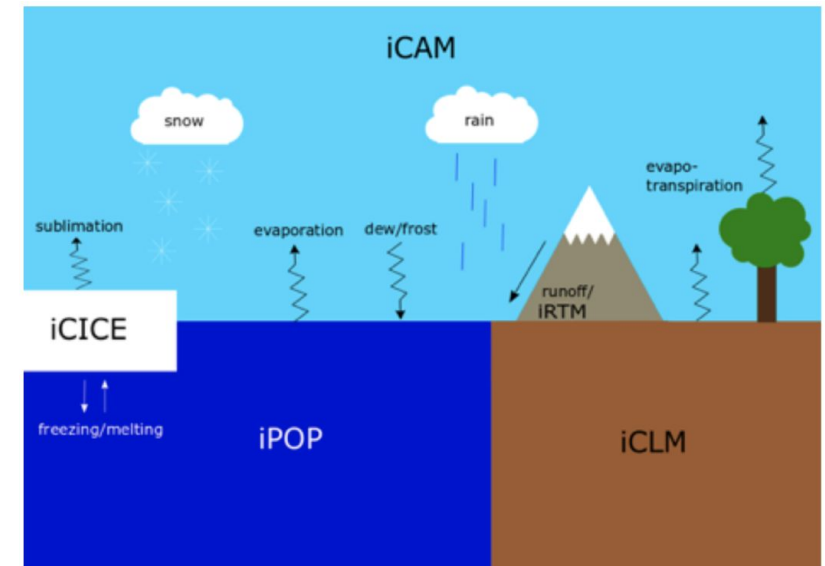
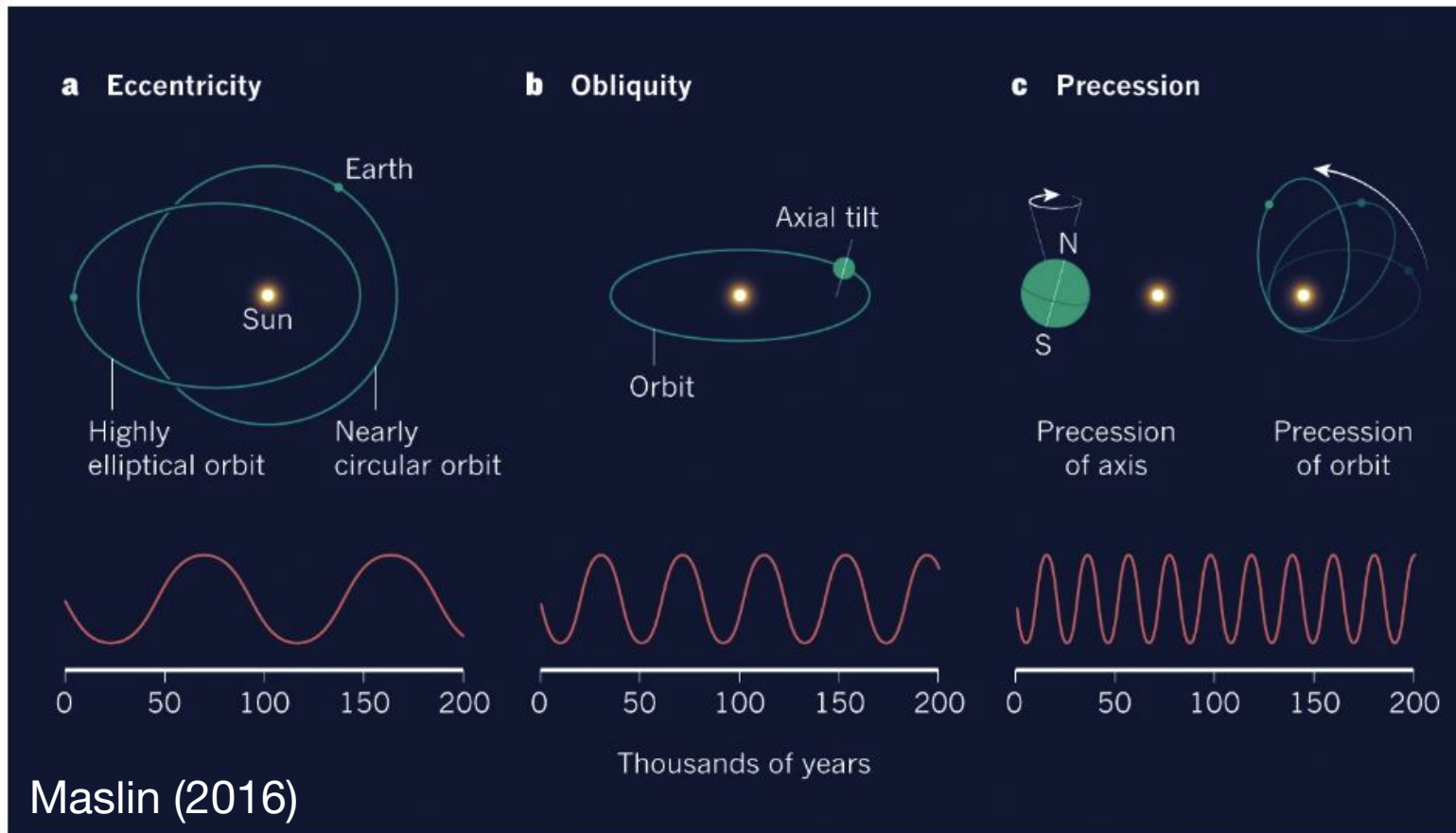
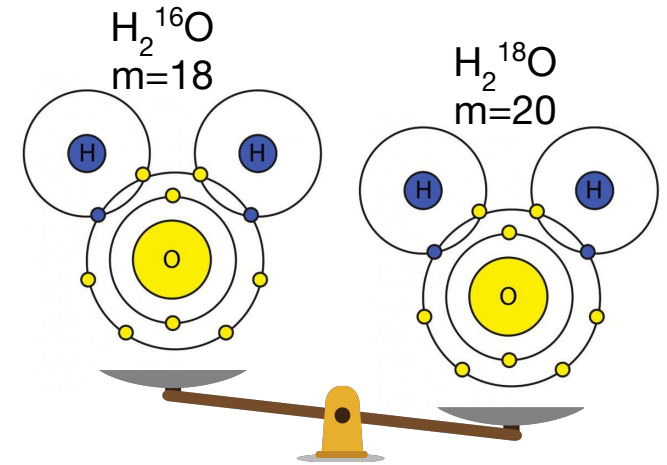
Proposed exercises

- Use historical SSTs/forcings instead of fixed forcing
- Change run starting date
- Increase orographic height over the western US
- Modify sea surface temperature in the tropics
- Increase the triggering threshold for deep convection over land



Proposed exercises

- Modify orbital parameters to mid-Holocene (~6 ka)
- Run a CESM simulation with water isotope tracers



Using F cases

Proposed exercises with CAM-chem (FCHIST) or WACCM (FWHIST)

1. **Control:** Run chemistry with daily output
2. **Test:** Change reaction rate in the chemical mechanism
3. **Test:** Change emissions

Bonus

4. **Visualization:** Quick analysis using GEOV tool

e.g. of super-simple chemistry mechanism

```
SPECIES
  Solution
O3, O, O1D -> O, O2, O2_1S -> O2, O2_1D -> O2
  End Solution

  Fixed
M, N2
  End Fixed
End SPECIES

Solution Classes
  Explicit
  CH4, N2O, CO, H2, CH3CL, CH3BR, CFC11, CFC12
  End explicit
  Implicit
  O3, O, O1D, O2, O2_1S, O2_1D
  End implicit
End Solution Classes

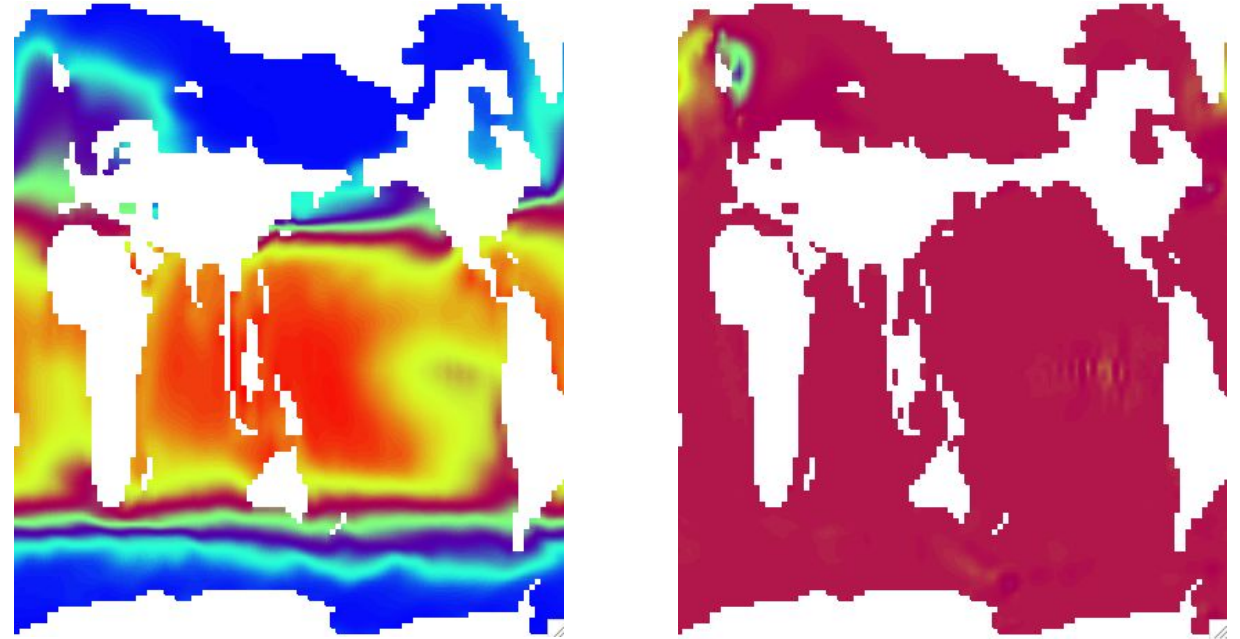
CHEMISTRY
  Photolysis
[jo2_a] O2 + hv -> O + O1D
  End Photolysis

  Reactions
[cph1,cph] O + O3 -> 2*O2      ; 8e-12, -2060
  End Reactions
END CHEMISTRY
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Overview of land exercises

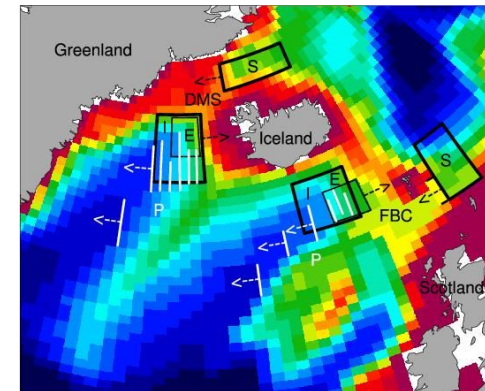
CESM-POP2 exercise:

1. Run a G compset with “normal year forcing” as a control case.
2. Turn off overflow parameterization to assess its impact.
3. Modify wind stress.
4. Turn on the ecosystem.



CESM-MOM6 exercise:

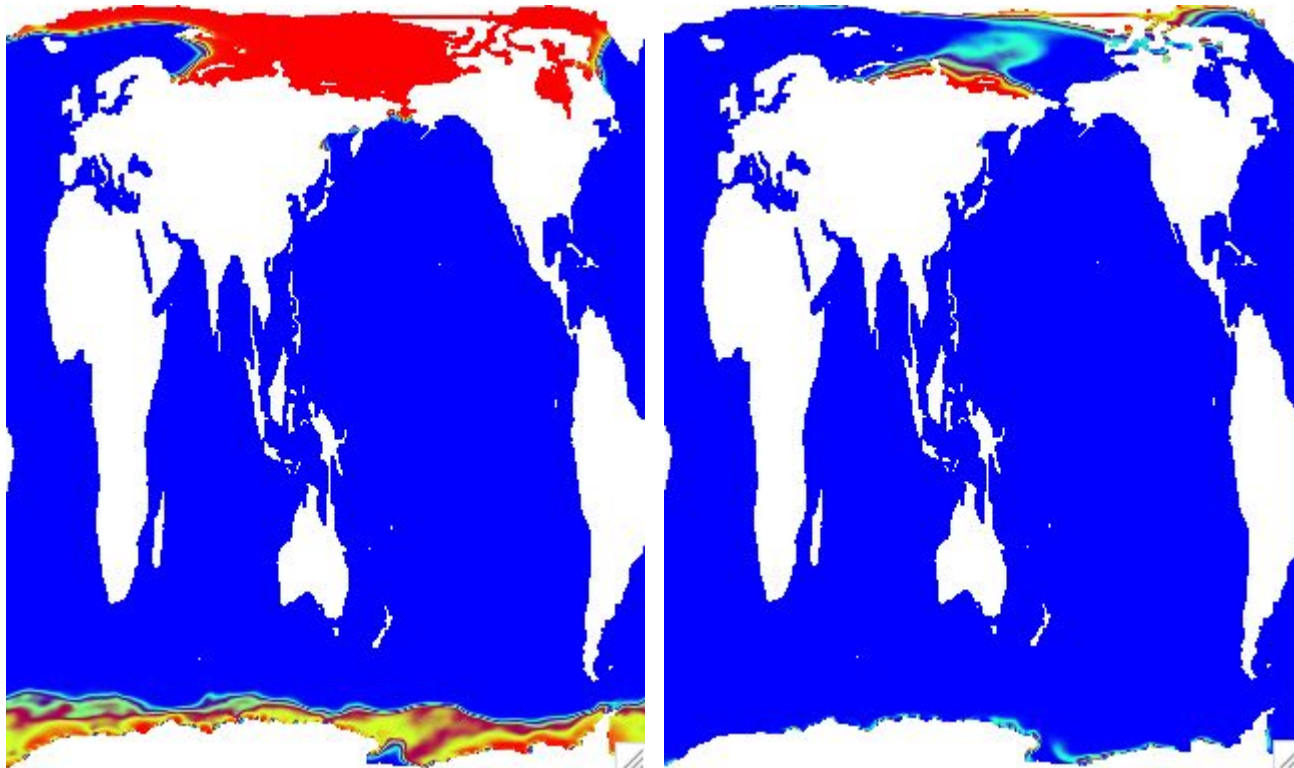
5. Download a CESM version including MOM6.
6. Run a G compset with “normal year forcing” as a control case.



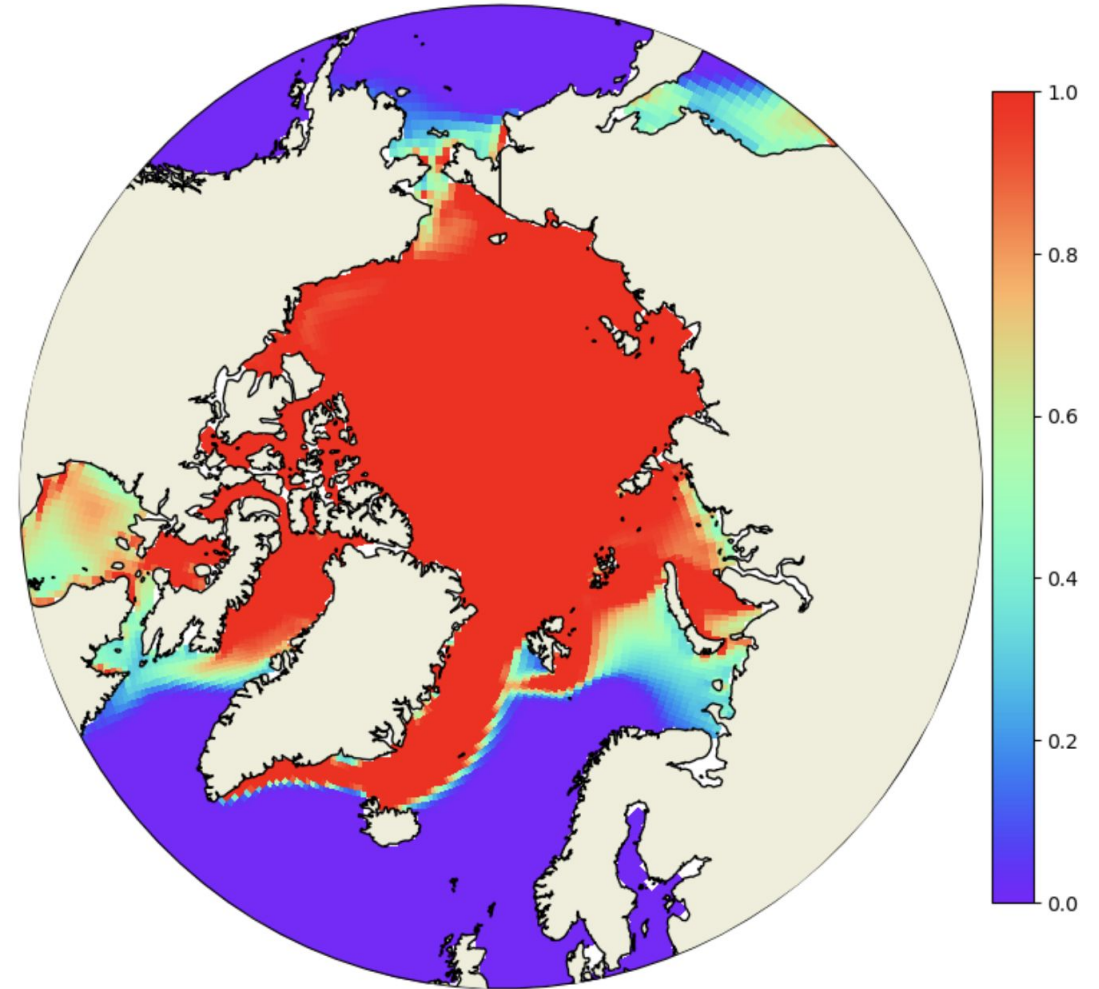
Sea ice

Proposed exercises

- Run a G compset with “normal year forcing”.
- Adjust the sea ice “albedo”.
- Modify the snow conductivity.



Sea Ice Concentration



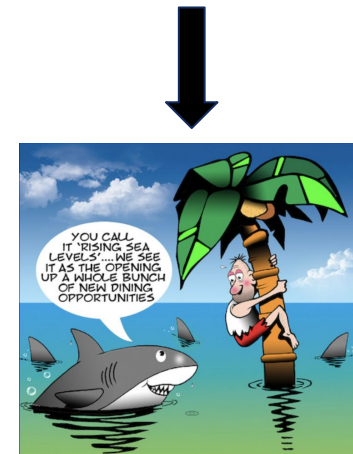
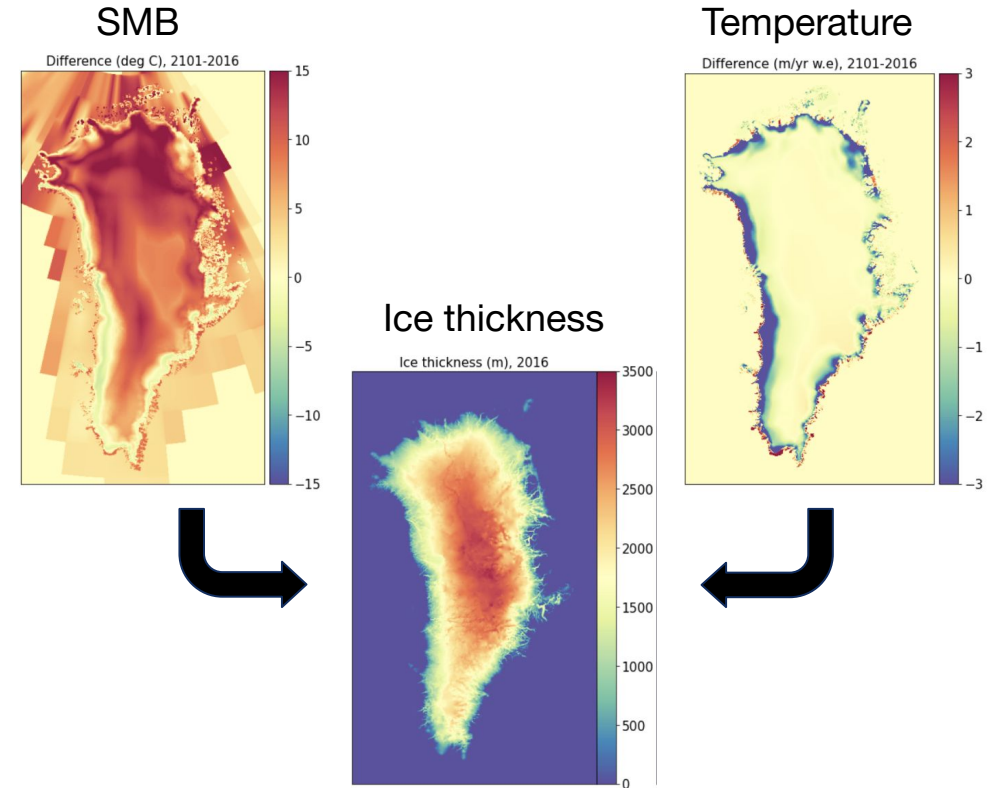
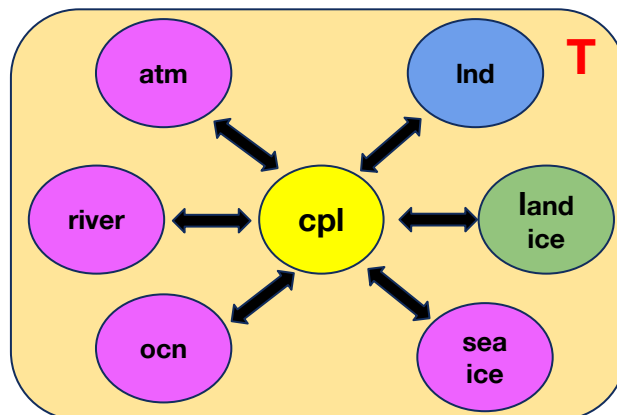
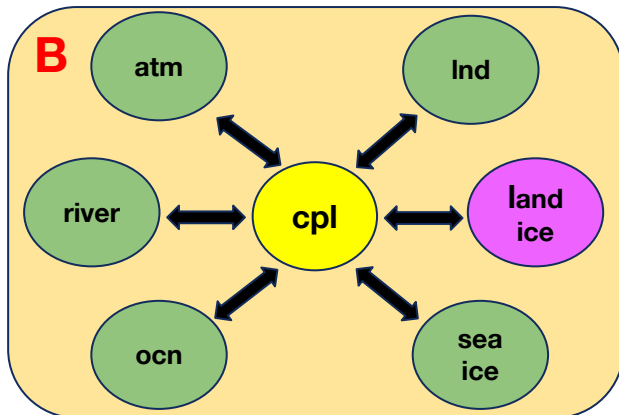
Land ice

Proposed exercises

- Run a T compset and simulate the Greenland ice sheet evolution in CESM.
- Compute offline global sea level contribution from ice sheet.

Difference between a B and a T case

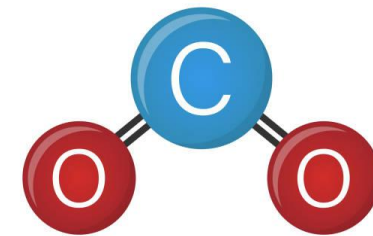
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Proposed exercises

- Set up two different BGC cases and compare case directories (you will **not** be running the model for this exercise)
- Compsets: B1850 and B1850_BPRP
- Both have f19_g17 resolution

Differences concern how CO_2 is handled:

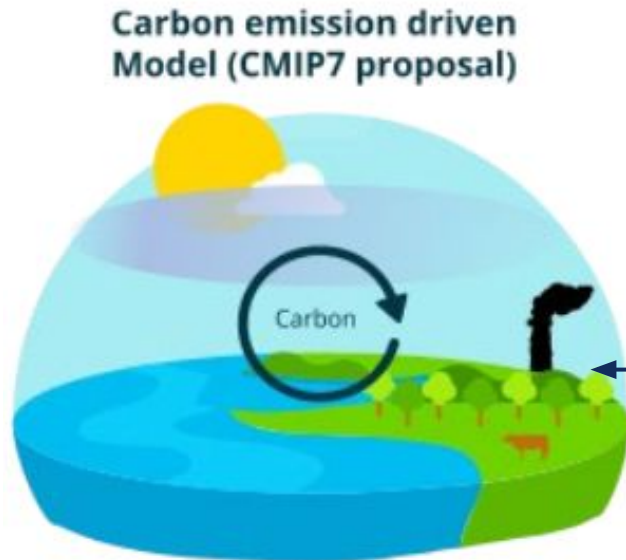


Prognostic CO_2

Diagnostic CO_2

- Compset = B1850_BPRP
- “Emission-driven”
- Predicted atmospheric CO_2 concentrations, computed from surface fluxes

- Compset = B1850
- “Concentration-driven”
- Prescribed atmospheric CO_2 concentrations that are read from a file



Closed carbon cycle. CO_2 concentrations, aerosols and calculated as a function of human emissions and land use