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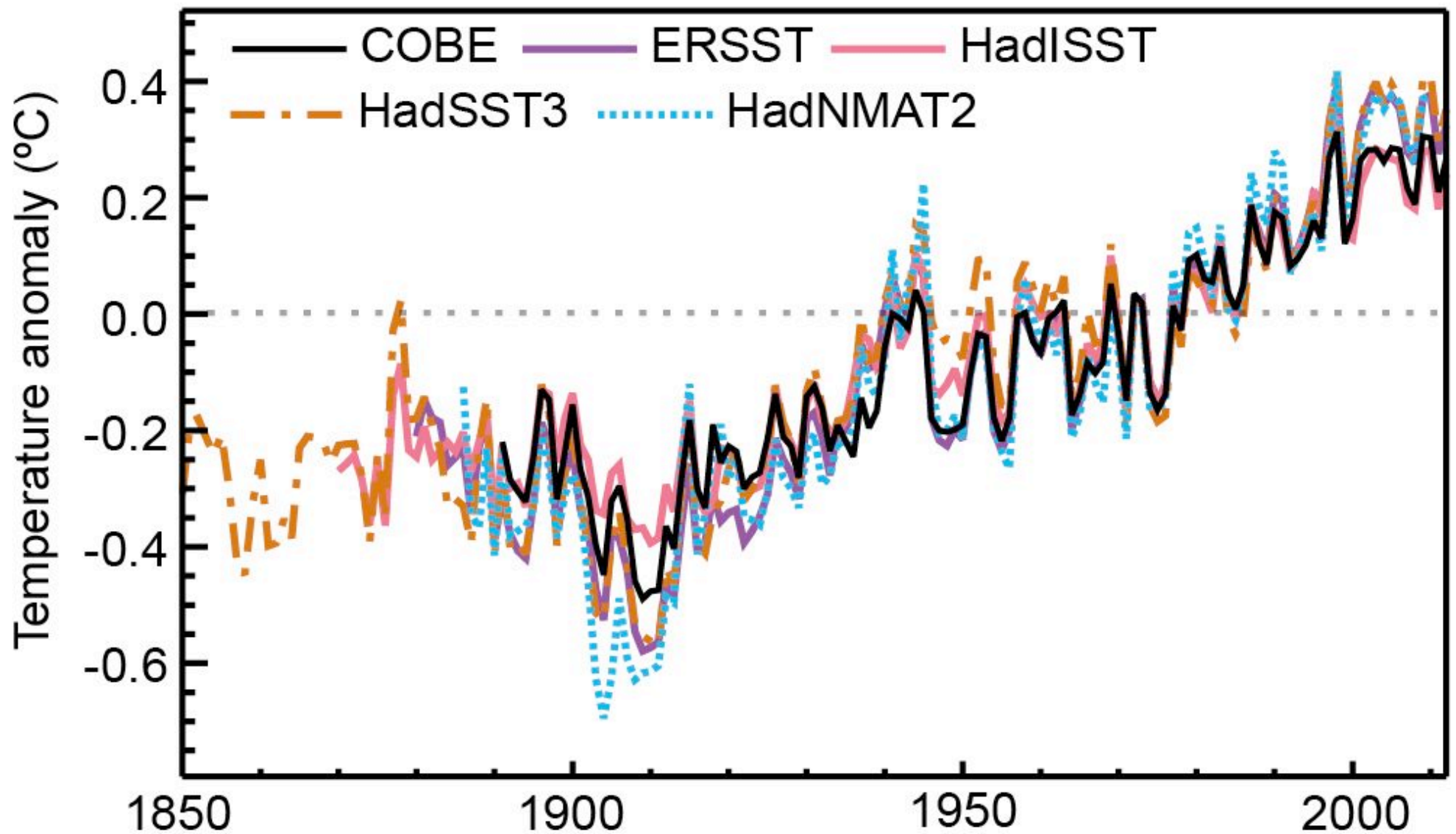
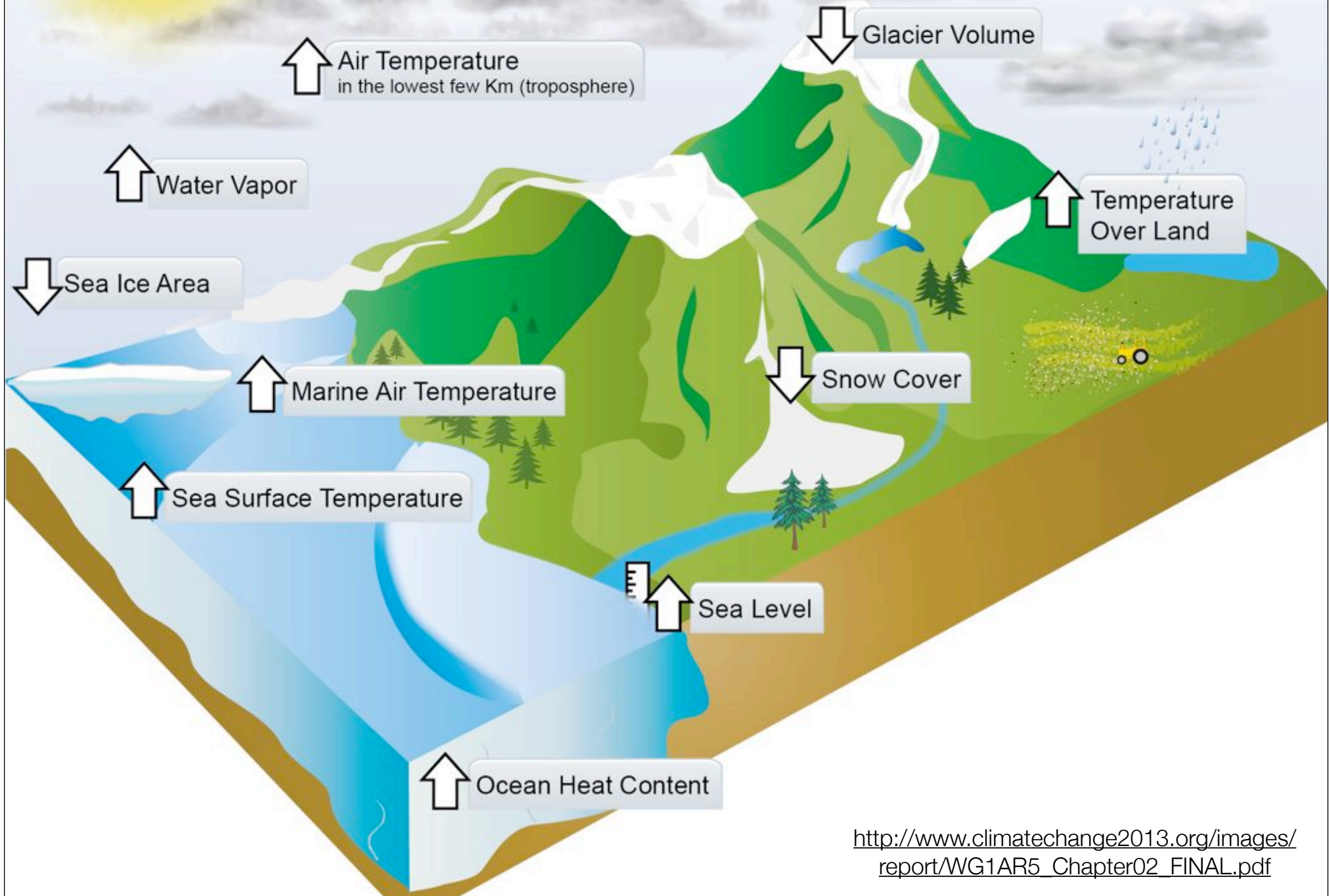


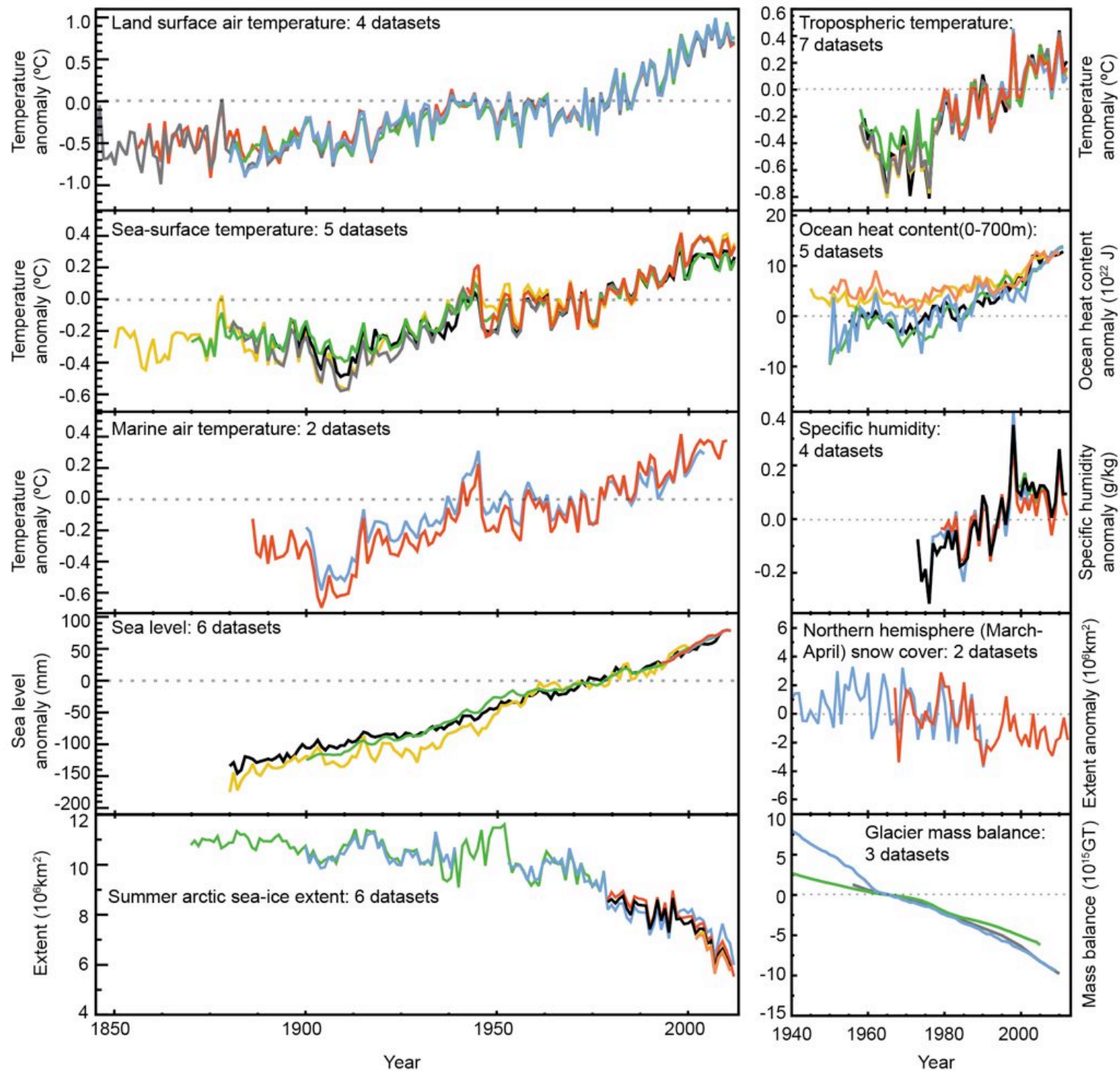
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# How Do We Know the World Has Warmed?







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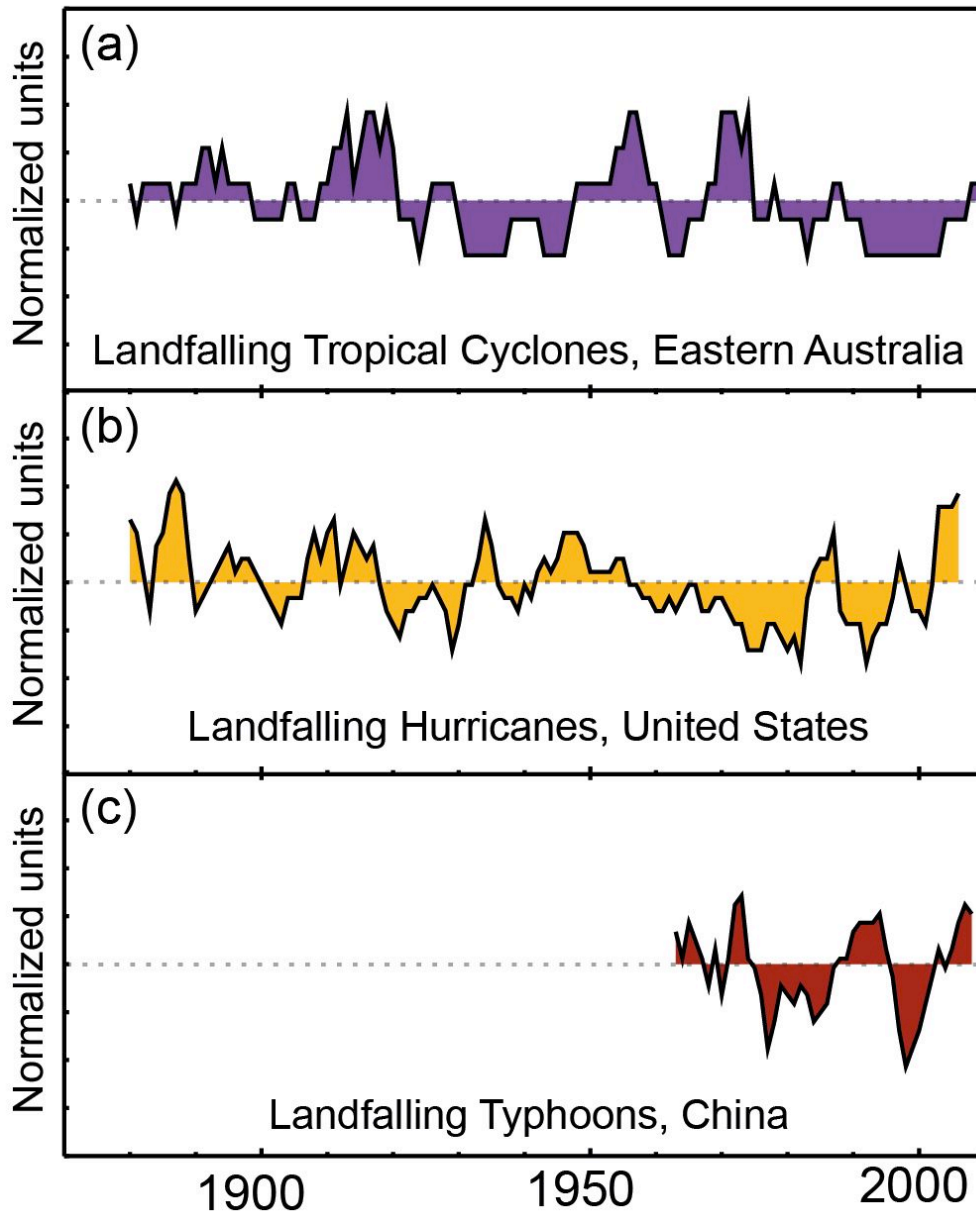
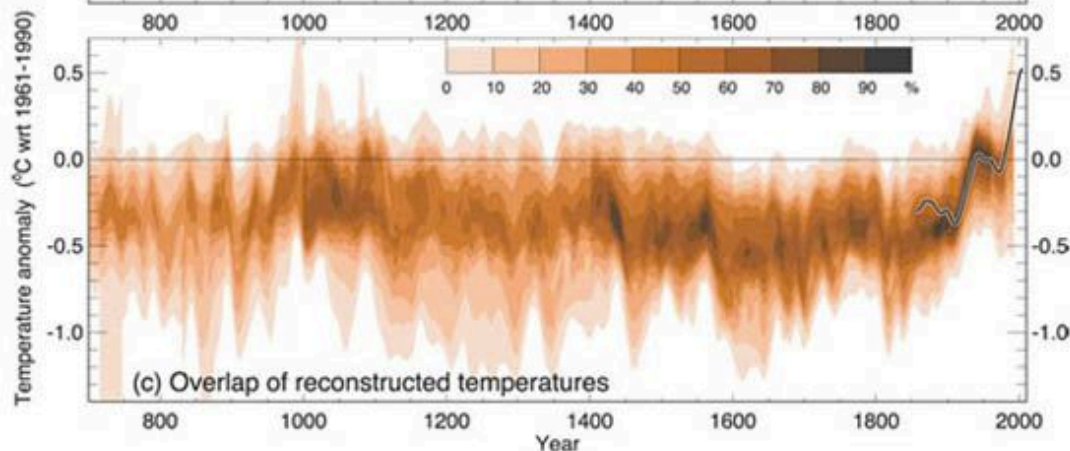
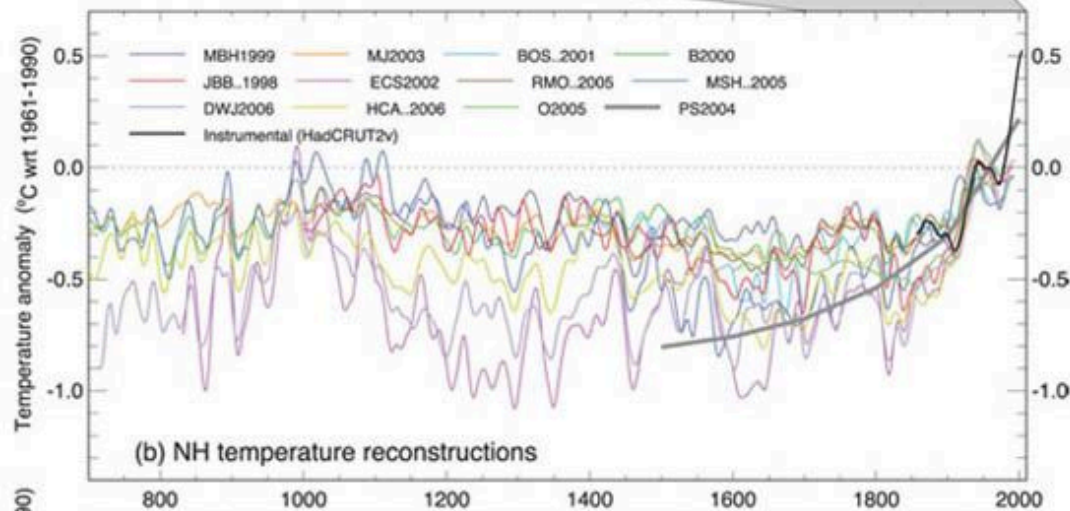
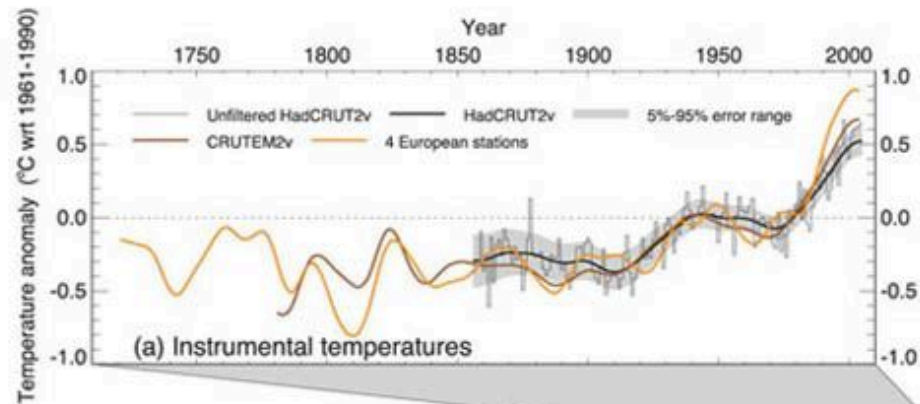


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Clear increase in temperature over last 150 years of instrument readings

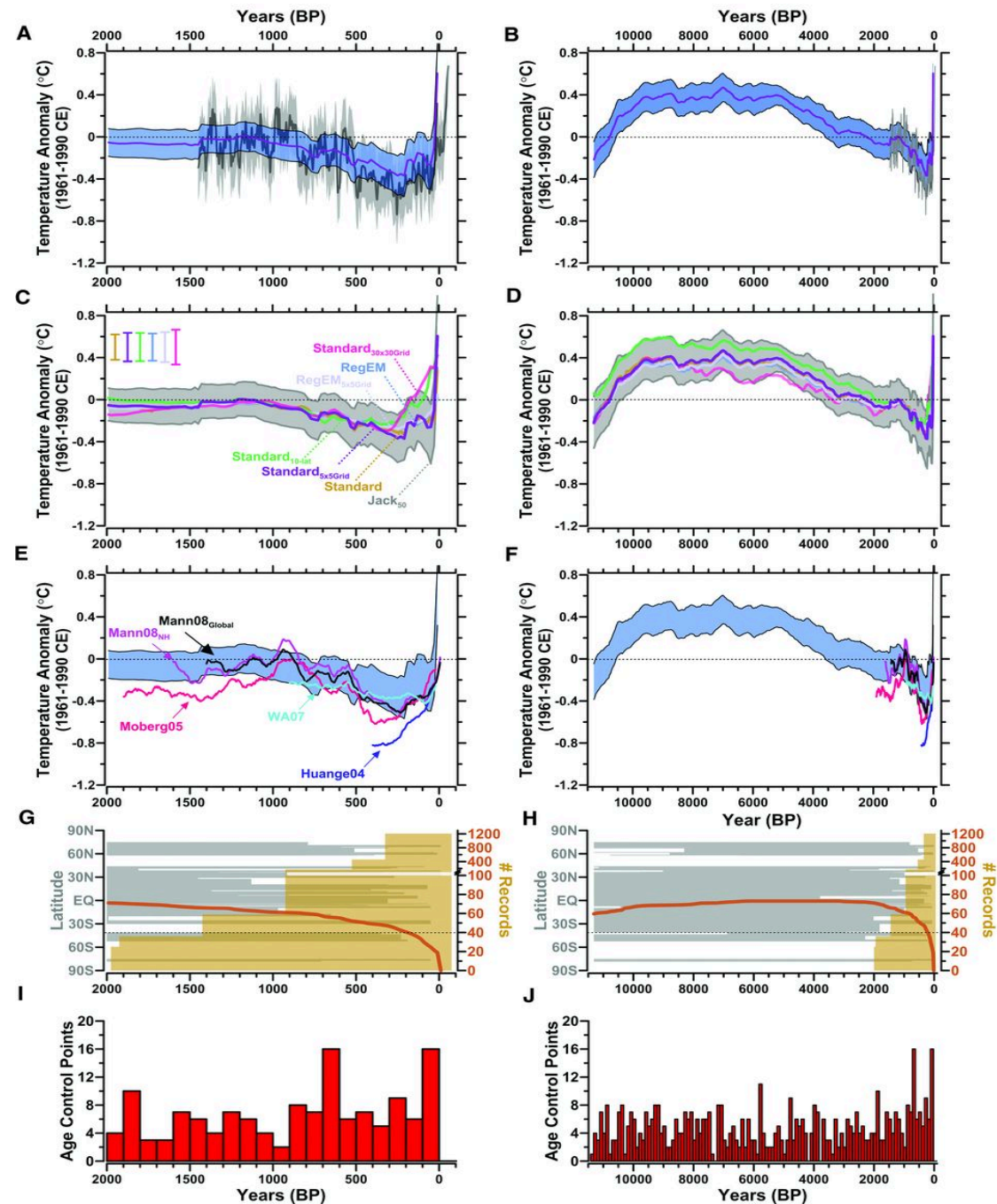
Can add in other sources of data (e.g., tree rings, isotopic ratios, abundance of temperature-sensitive species) to extend time series

Last 20 years warmer than previous ~1,300!

**Fig. 1 Comparison of different methods and reconstructions of global and hemispheric temperature anomalies.**

Used 73 globally distributed temperature records  
Variety of paleotemperature proxies

- alkenone (n=31)
- planktonic foraminifera Mg/Ca (n=19)
- TEX86 (n=4)
- fossil chironomid transfer function (n=4)
- fossil pollen modern analog technique (MAT) (n=4)
- ice-core stable isotopes (n=5)
- other microfossil assemblages (n=5)
- Methylation index of Branched Tetraethers (MBT) (n=1).



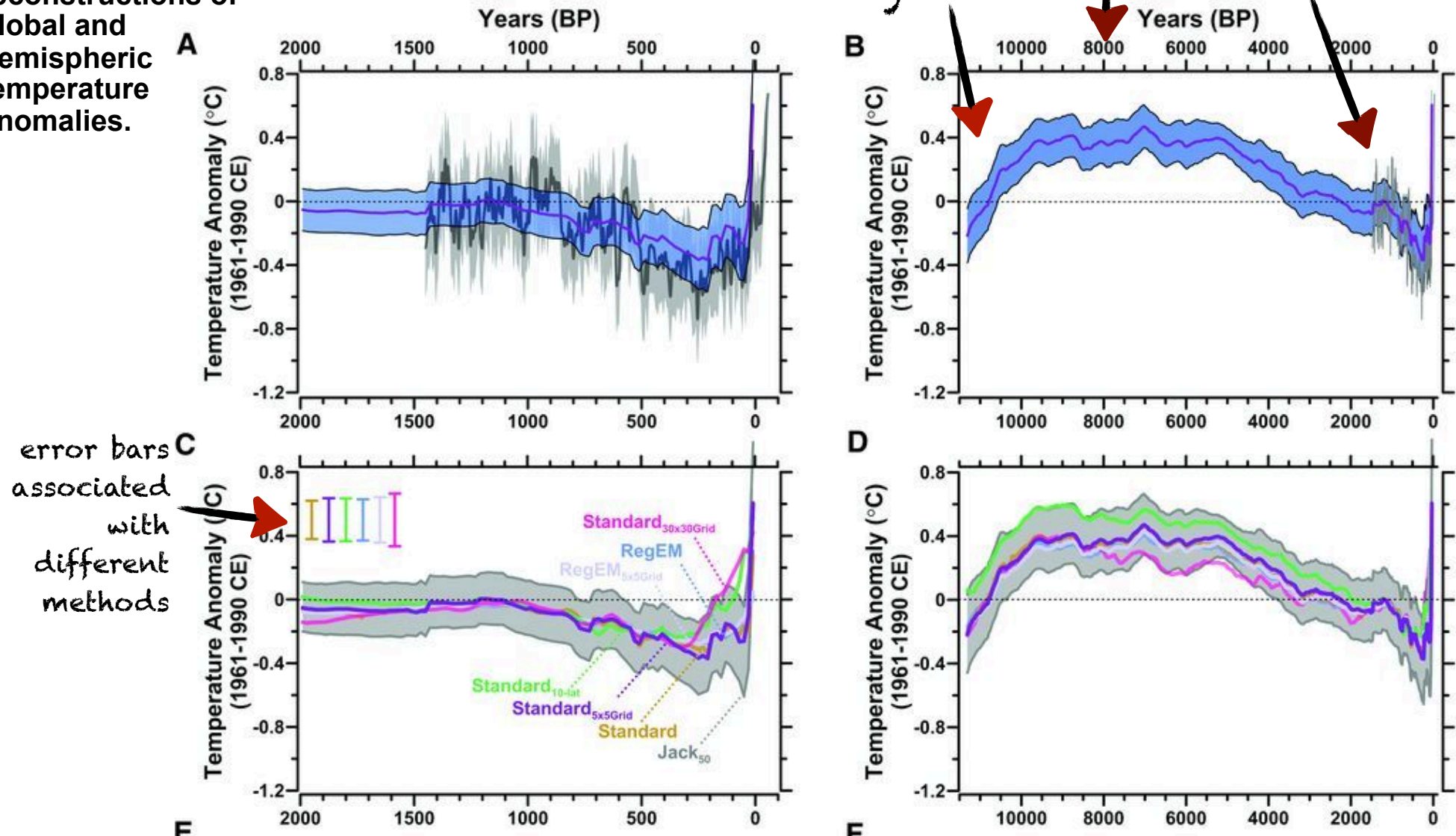


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Warming caused by  
Milankovich cycle

rise of  
human  
civilization

Medieval  
warm  
period



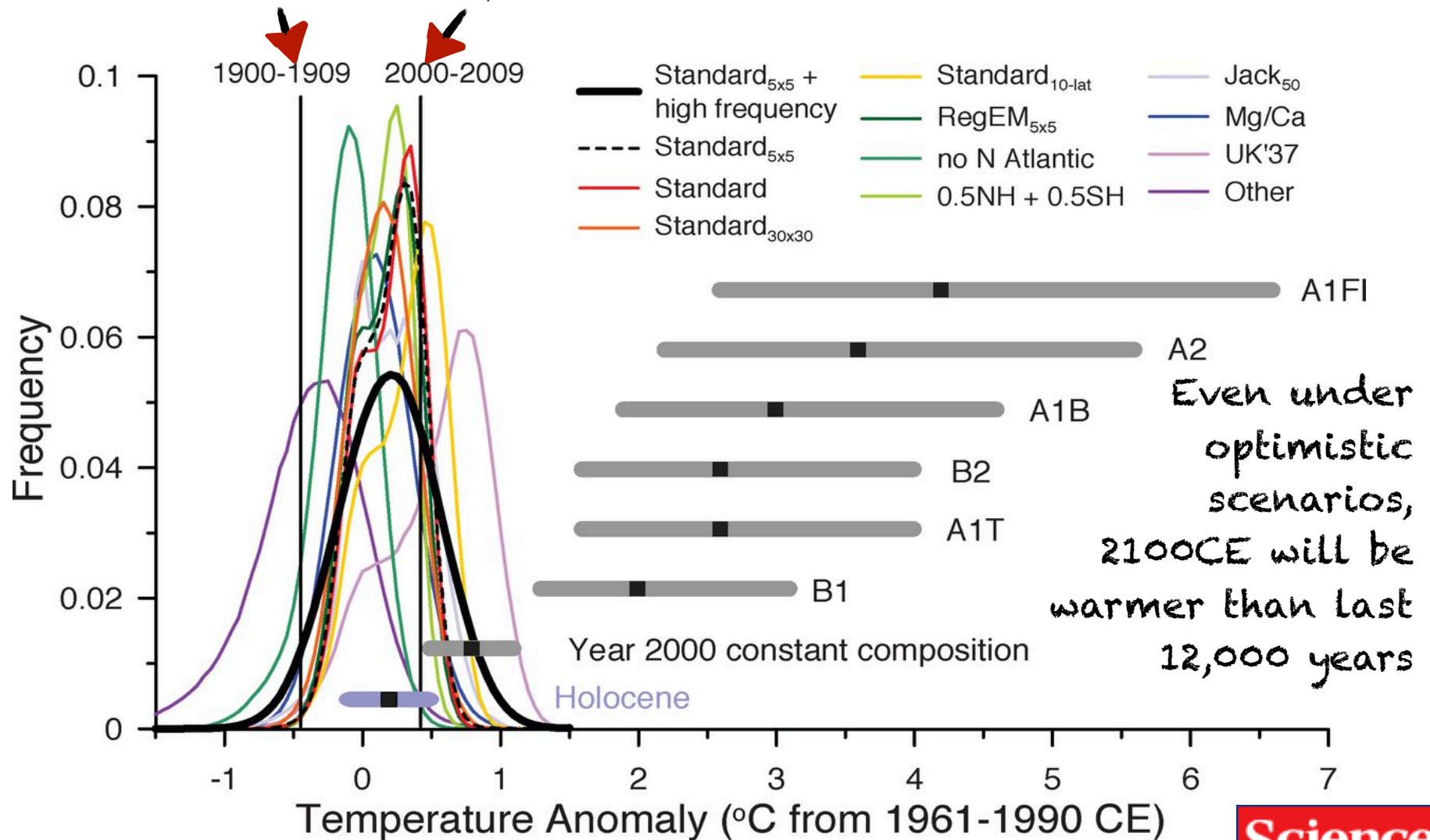
Recent decade warmest in ~4000 years!



Fig. 3 Holocene temperature distribution compared to modern temperature and future projections.

Colder than 95%  
of the holocene

Warmer than 85%  
of the holocene







Qori Kalis glacier (part of Quelccaya ice cap) in Peru from 1978 to 2011



Newly exposed plants  
~6298 yr B.P.

Quelccaya is now  
smaller than it was  
6000 years ago

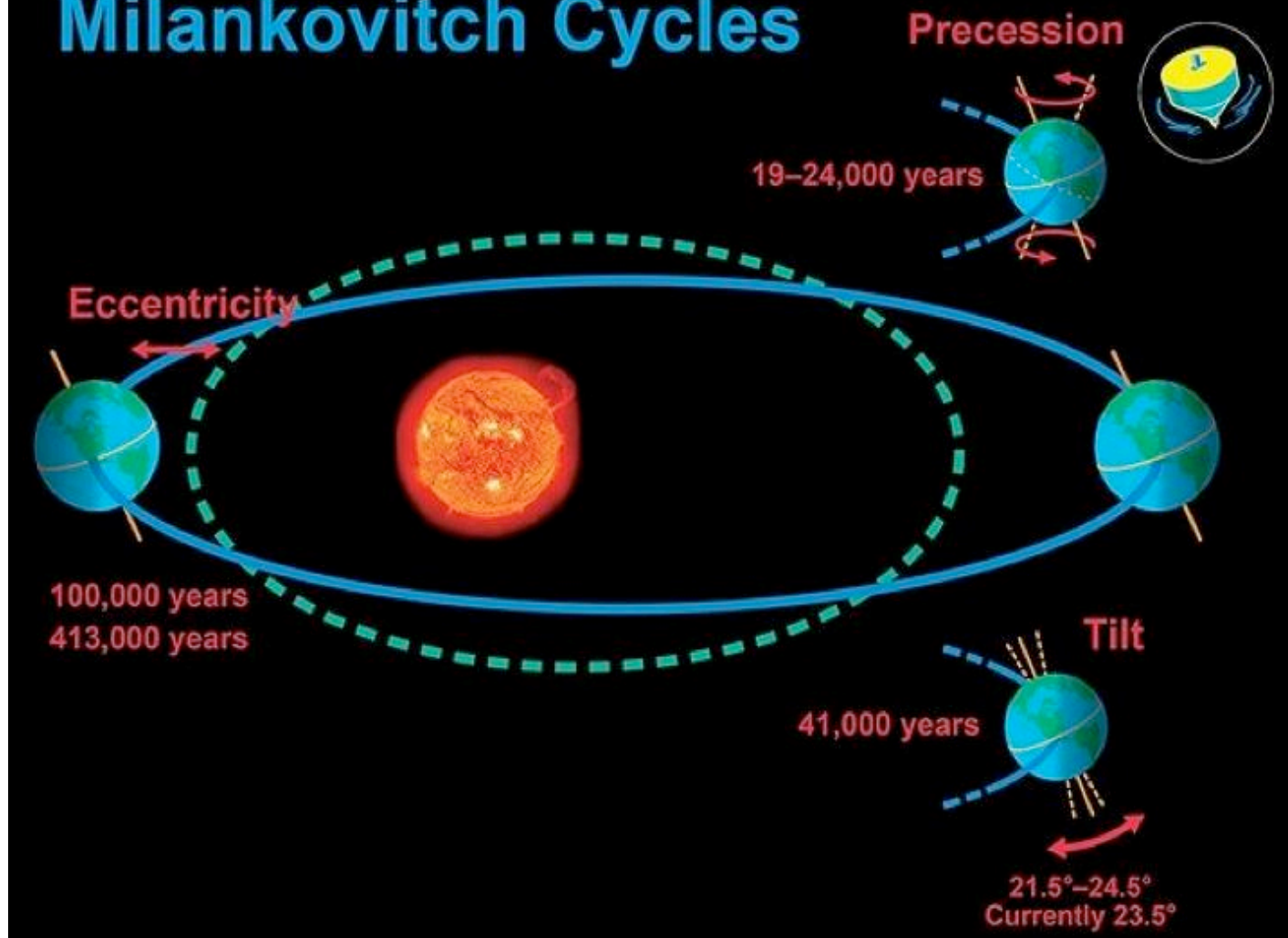
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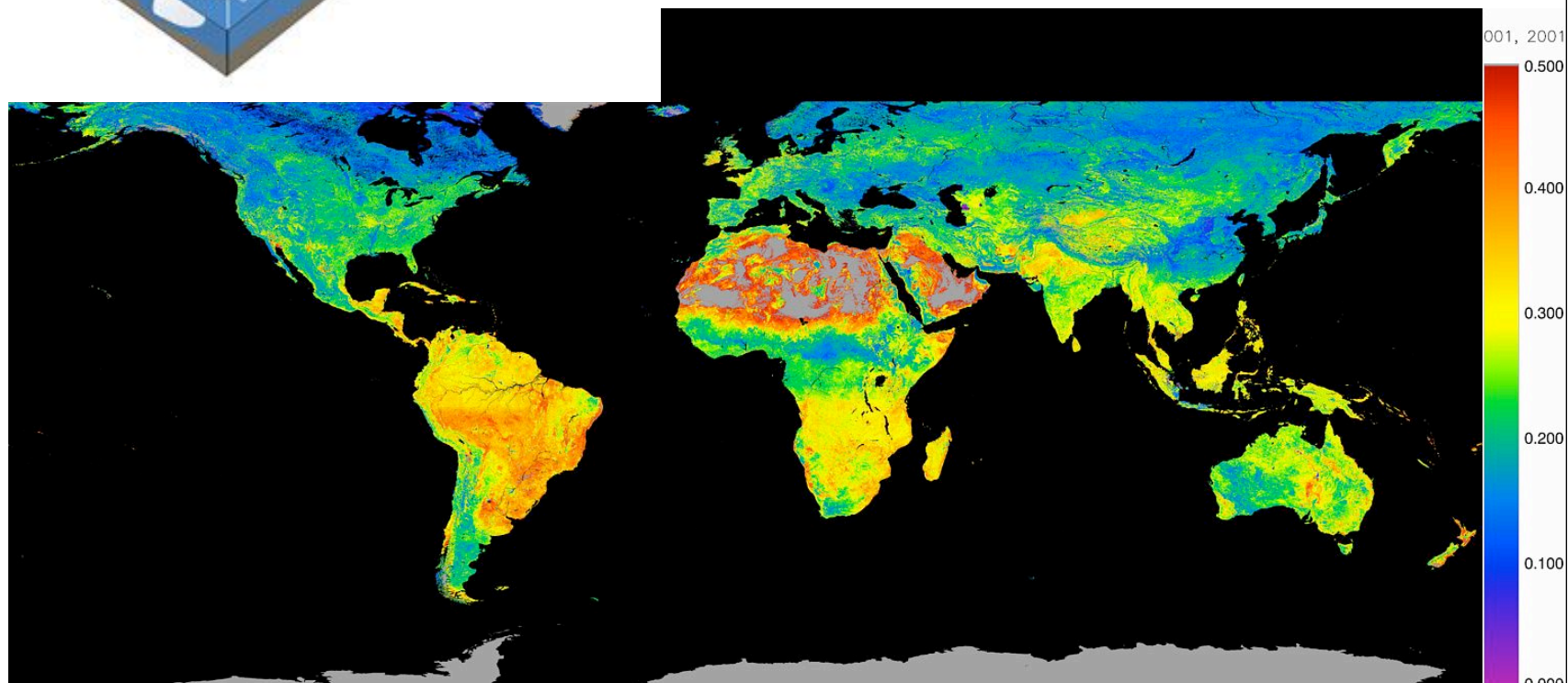
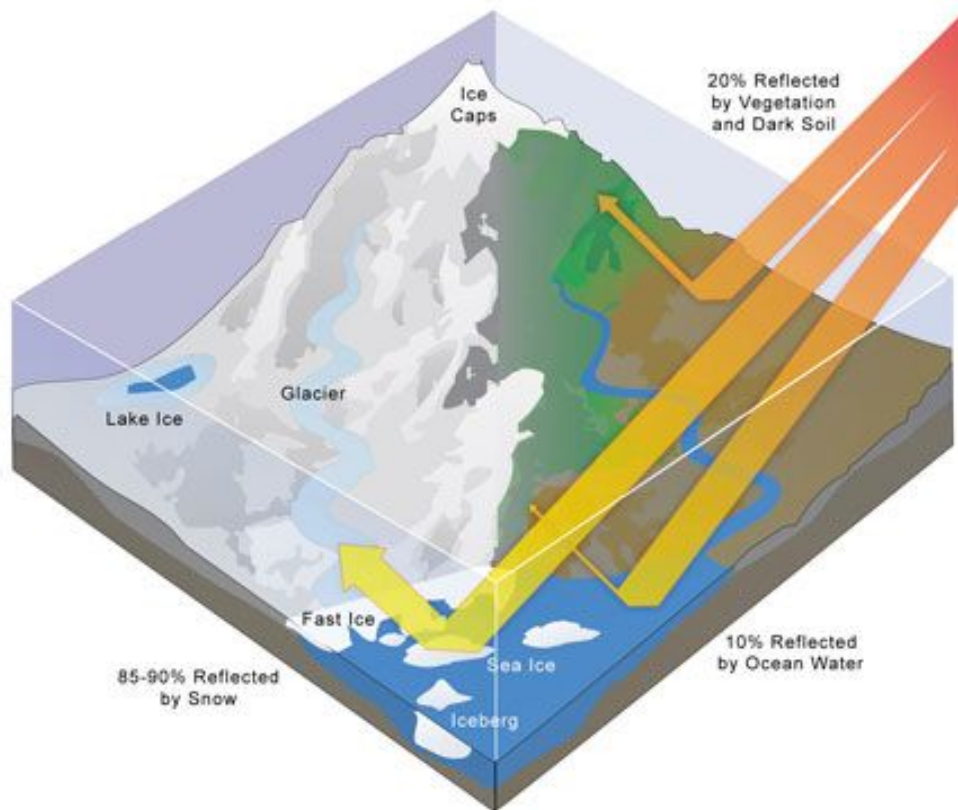
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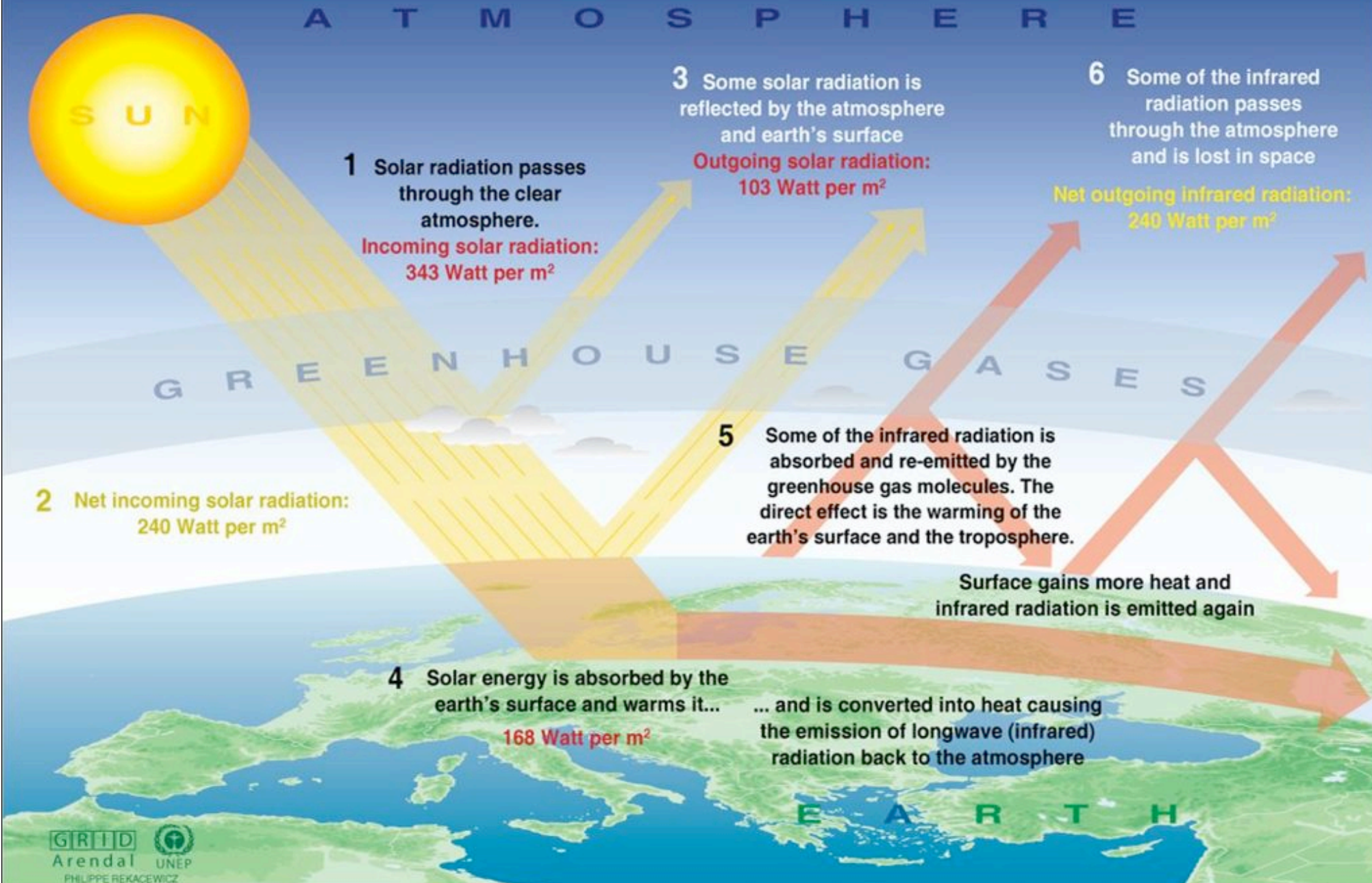
# Milankovitch Cycles





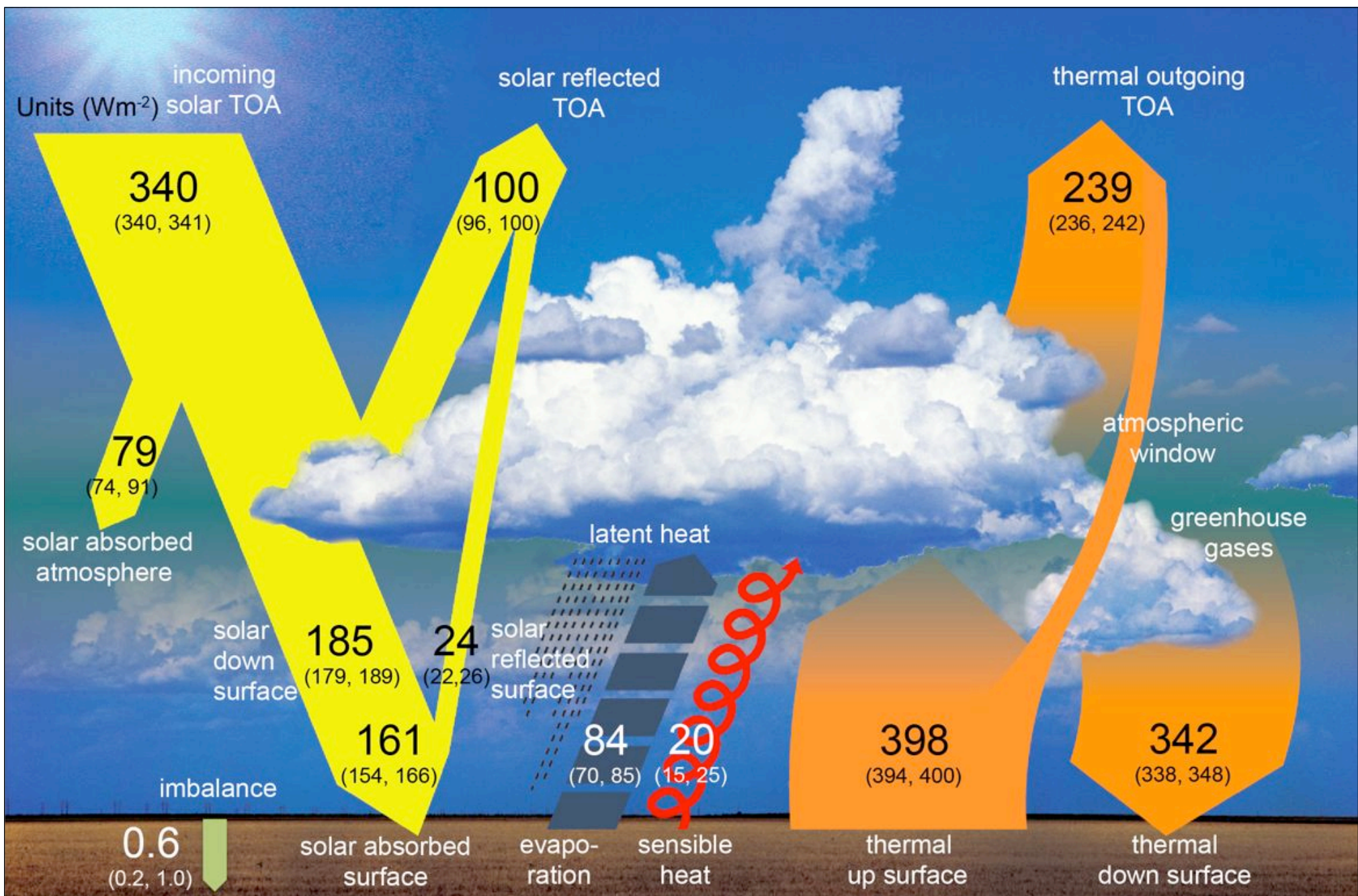


# The Greenhouse effect



Sources: Okanagan university college in Canada, Department of geography, University of Oxford, school of geography; United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Washington; Climate change 1995, The science of climate change, contribution of working group 1 to the second assessment report of the intergovernmental panel on climate change, UNEP and WMO, Cambridge university press, 1996



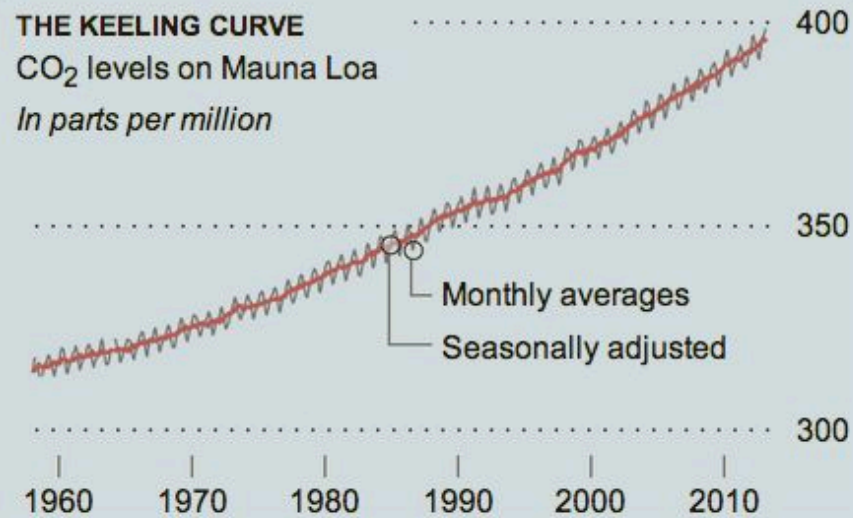


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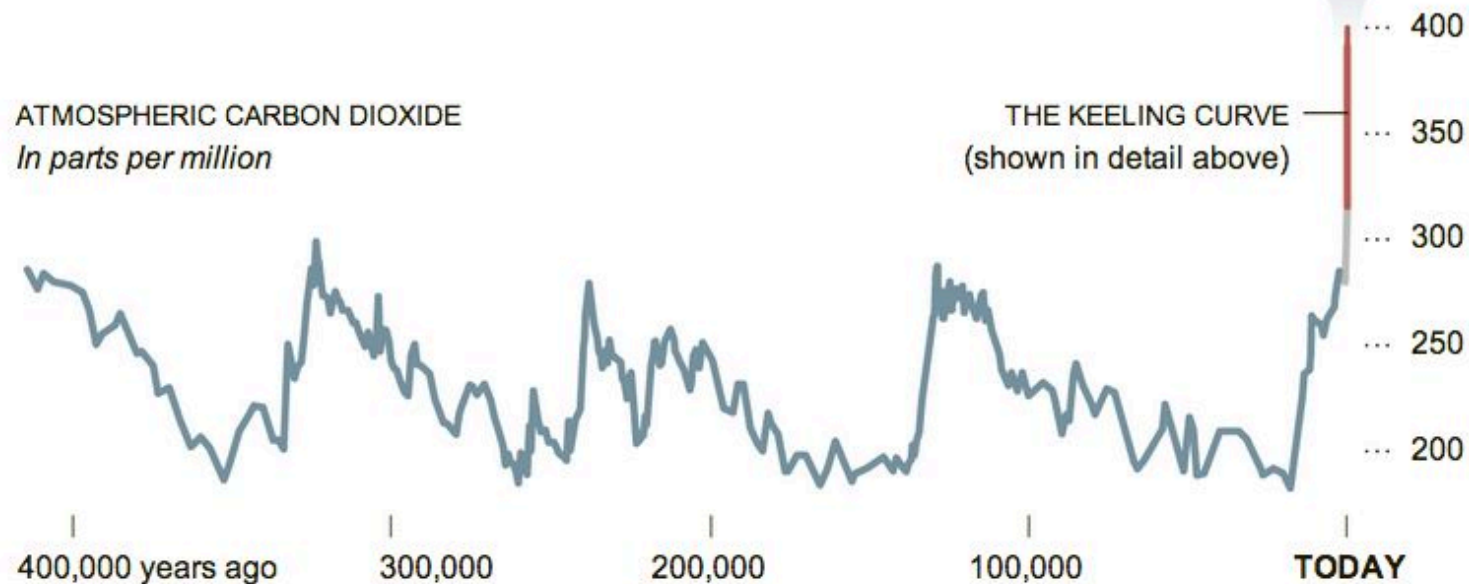
Carbon dioxide in the atmosphere was measured at just above 400 p.p.m. on Thursday, the highest daily average ever recorded at the flagship Mauna Loa station.

Preindustrial levels of carbon dioxide, as measured in ice bubbles, tended to oscillate between 180 and 280 p.p.m.

**THE KEELING CURVE**  
CO<sub>2</sub> levels on Mauna Loa  
*In parts per million*



**ATMOSPHERIC CARBON DIOXIDE**  
*In parts per million*





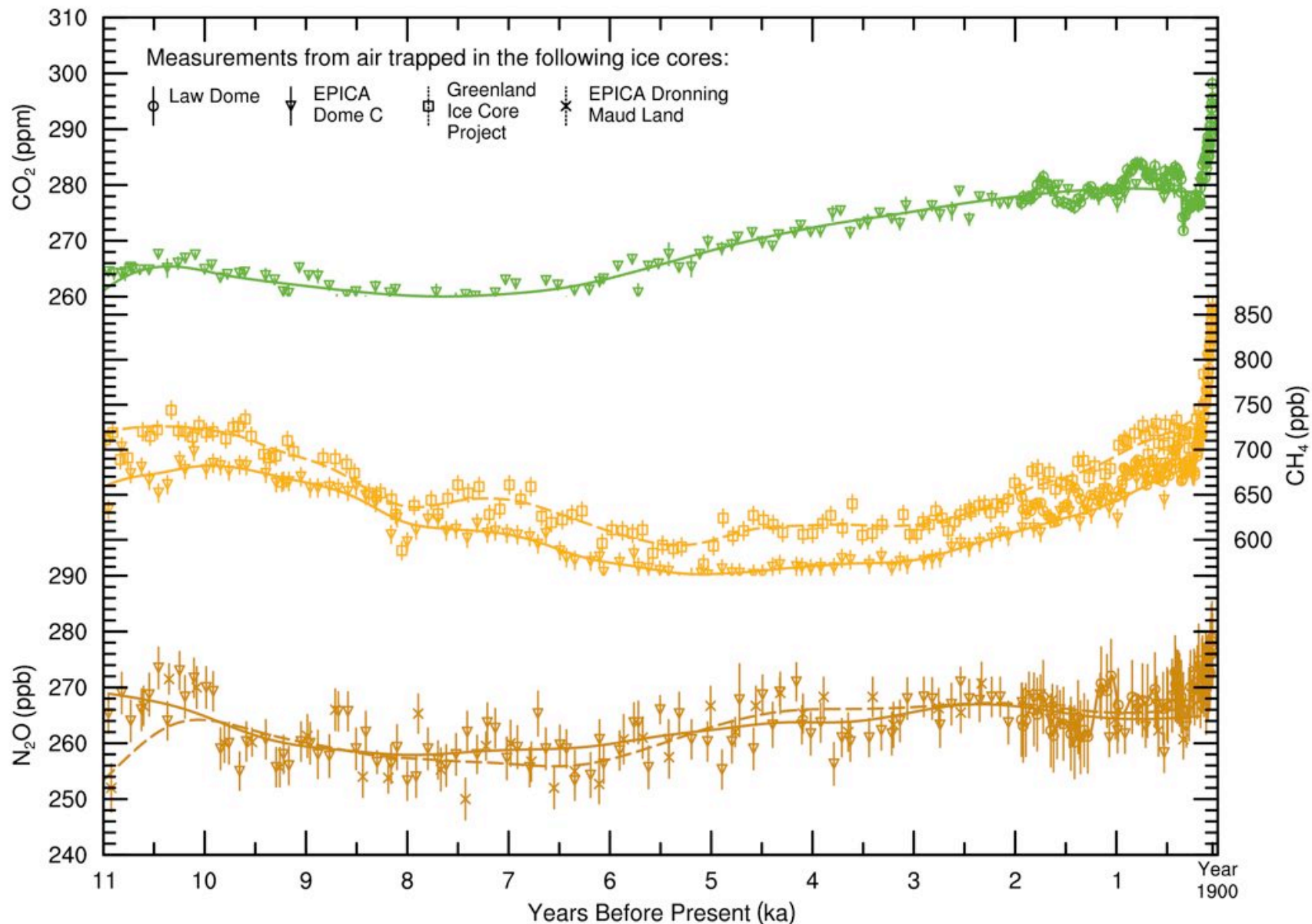


Figure 6.7 | Variations of CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, and N<sub>2</sub>O during 900–1900 from ice cores. The data are for Antarctic ice cores: Law Dome (Etheridge et al., 1996; MacFarling-Meure et al., 2006), circles; West Antarctic Ice Sheet (Mitchell et al., 2011; Ahn et al., 2012), triangles; Dronning Maud Land (Siegenthaler et al., 2005a), squares. Lines are spline fits to individual measurements. [http://www.climatechange2013.org/images/report/WG1AR5\\_Chapter06\\_FINAL.pdf](http://www.climatechange2013.org/images/report/WG1AR5_Chapter06_FINAL.pdf)



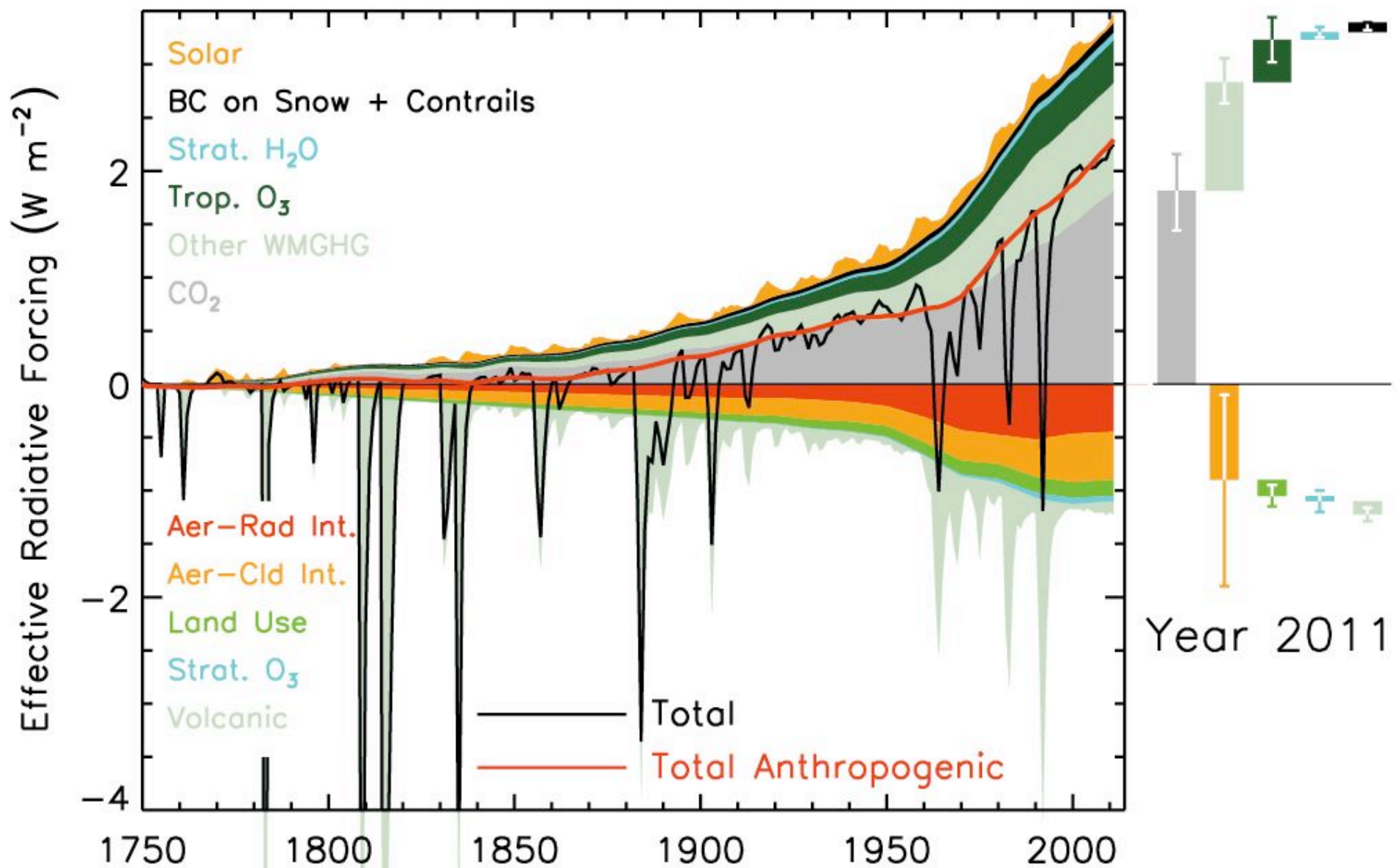


Figure 8.18 | Time evolution of forcing for anthropogenic and natural forcing mechanisms. Bars with the forcing and uncertainty ranges (5 to 95% confidence range) at present are given in the right part of the figure. For aerosol the ERF due to aerosol– radiation interaction and total aerosol ERF are shown.

# Radiative forcing of climate between 1750 and 2011

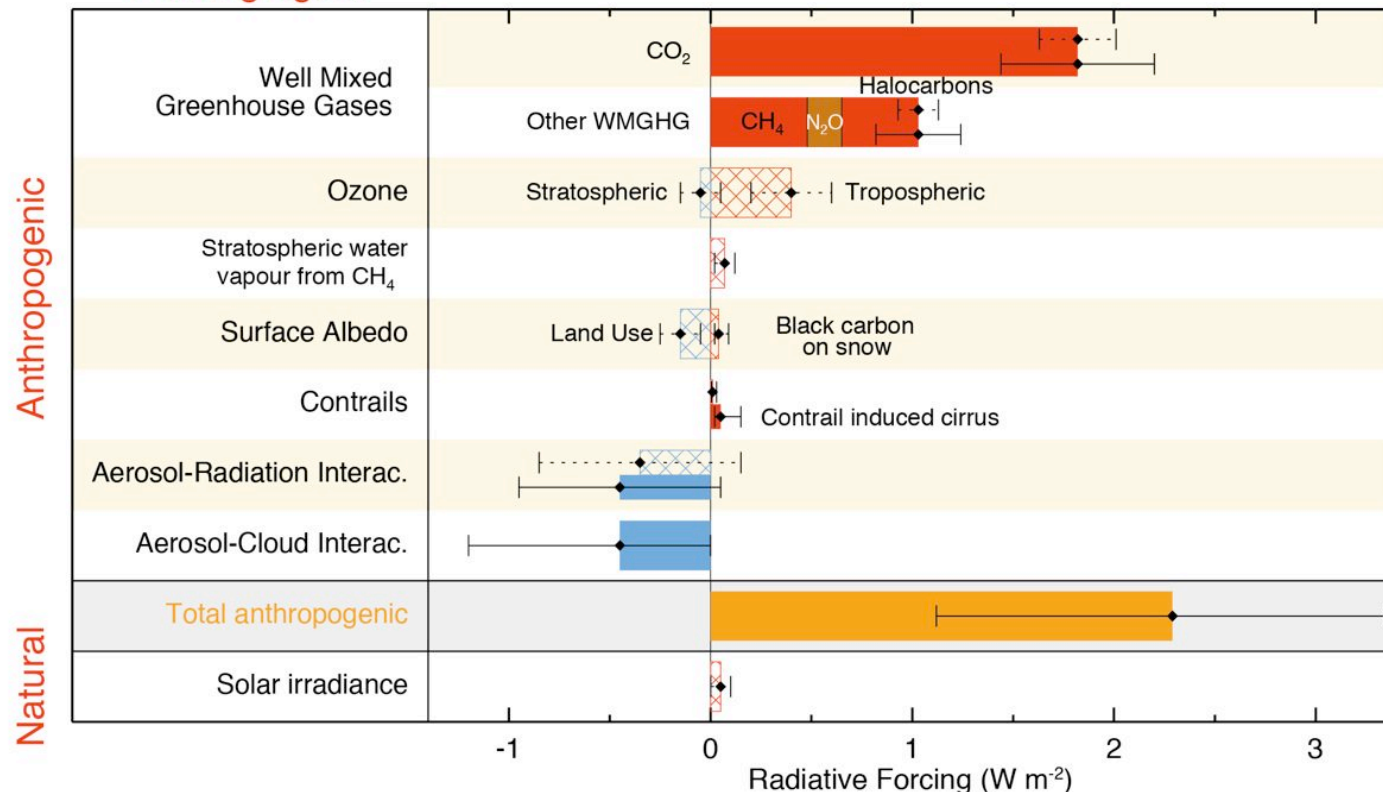
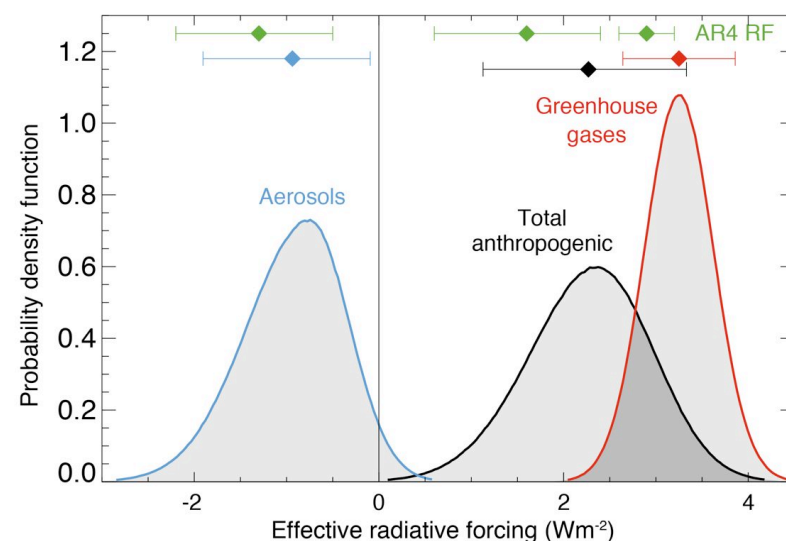
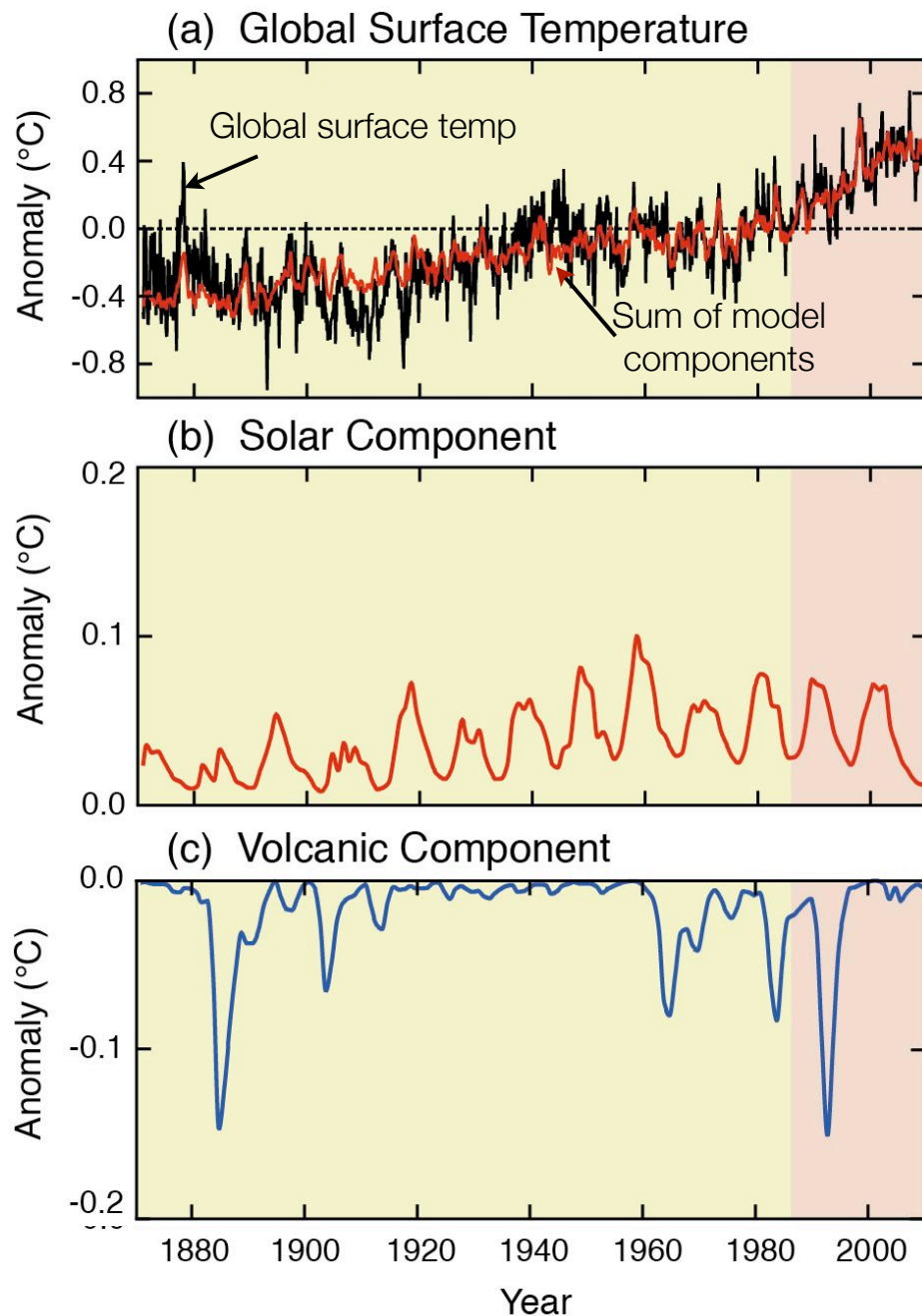
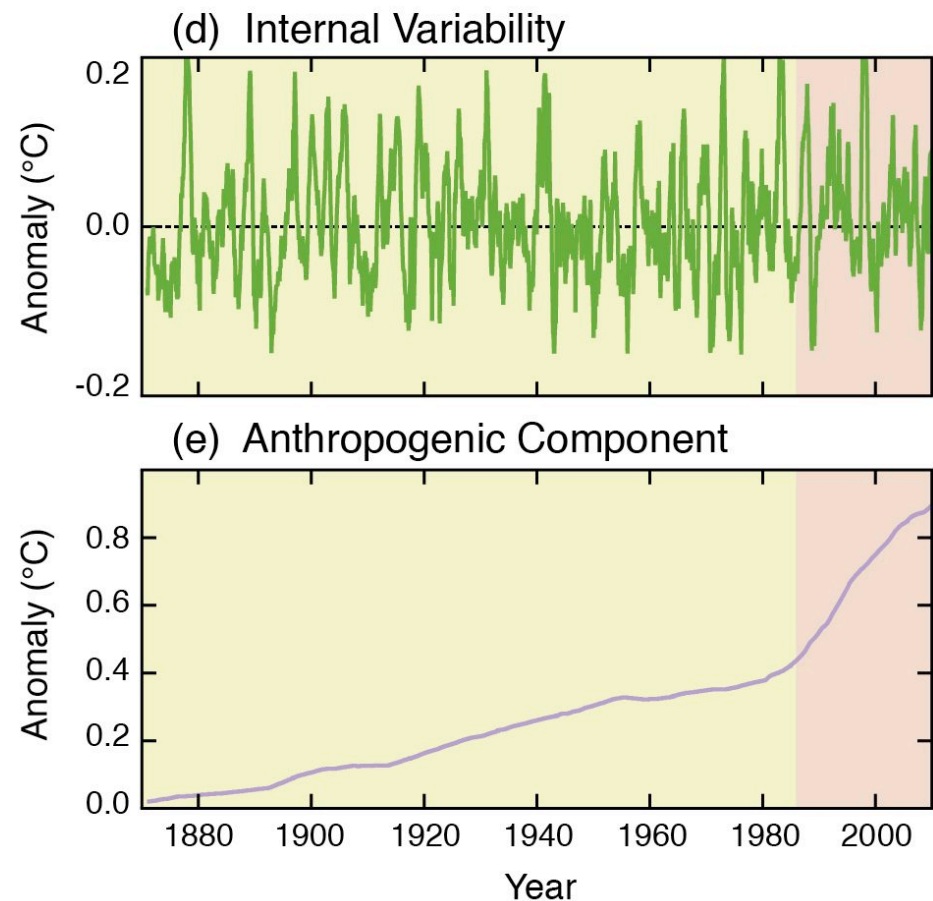


Figure 8.15 | Bar chart for RF (hatched) and ERF (solid) for the period 1750–2011, where the total ERF is derived from Figure 8.16. Uncertainties (5 to 95% confidence range) are given for RF (dotted lines) and ERF (solid lines).

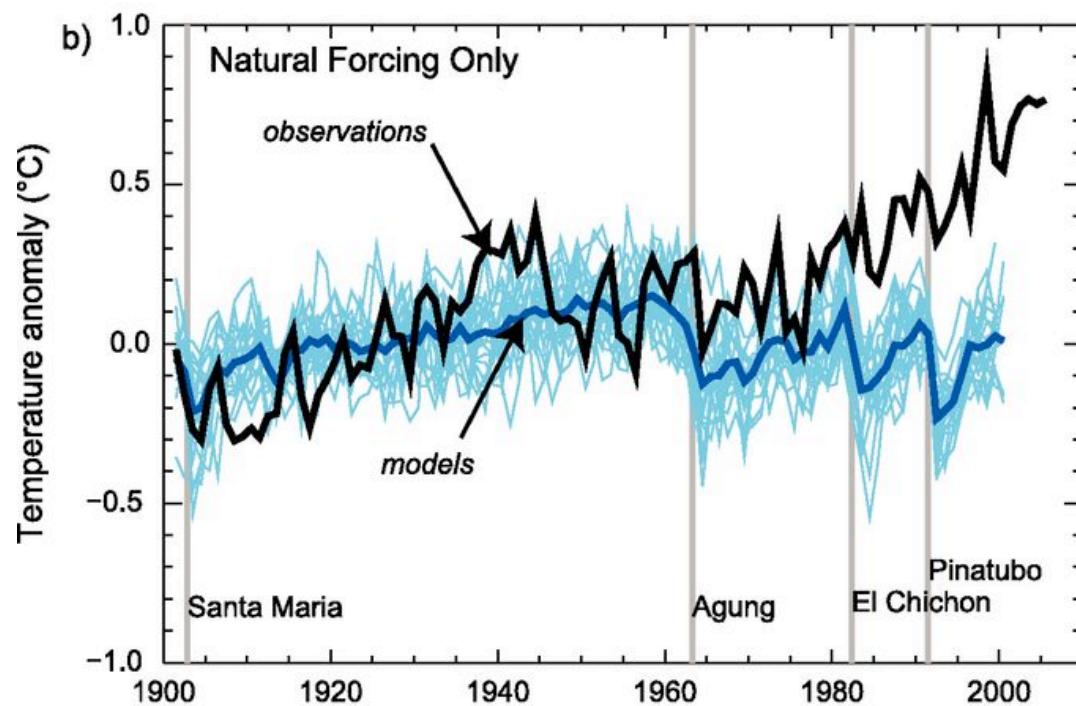
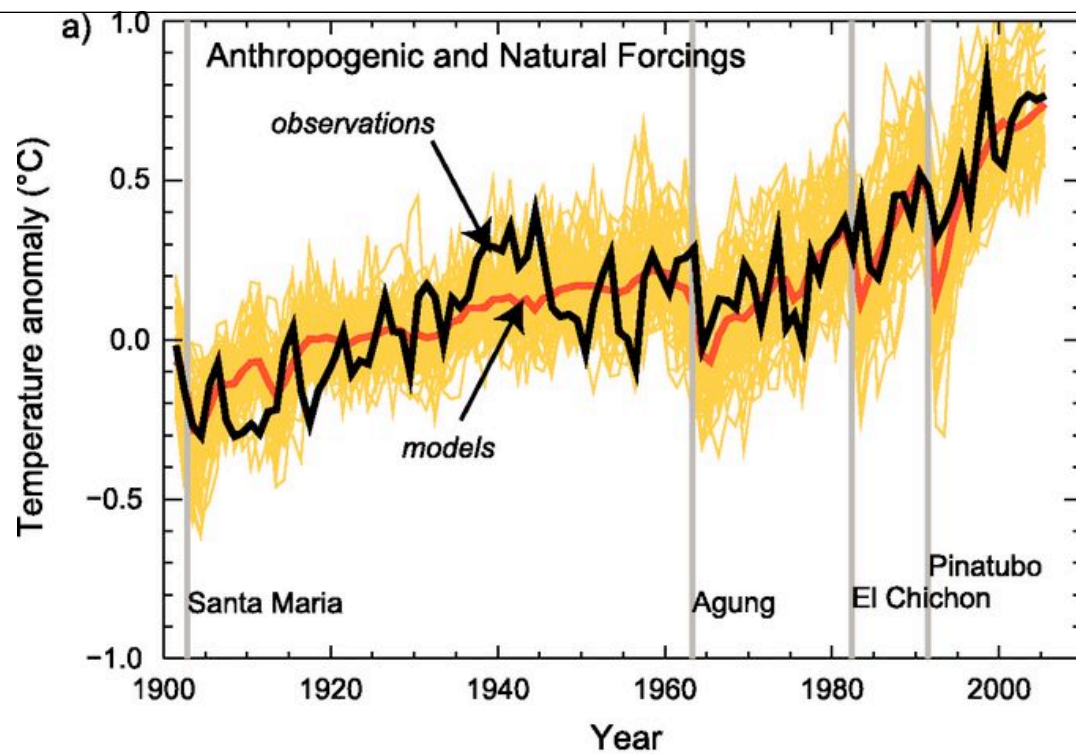




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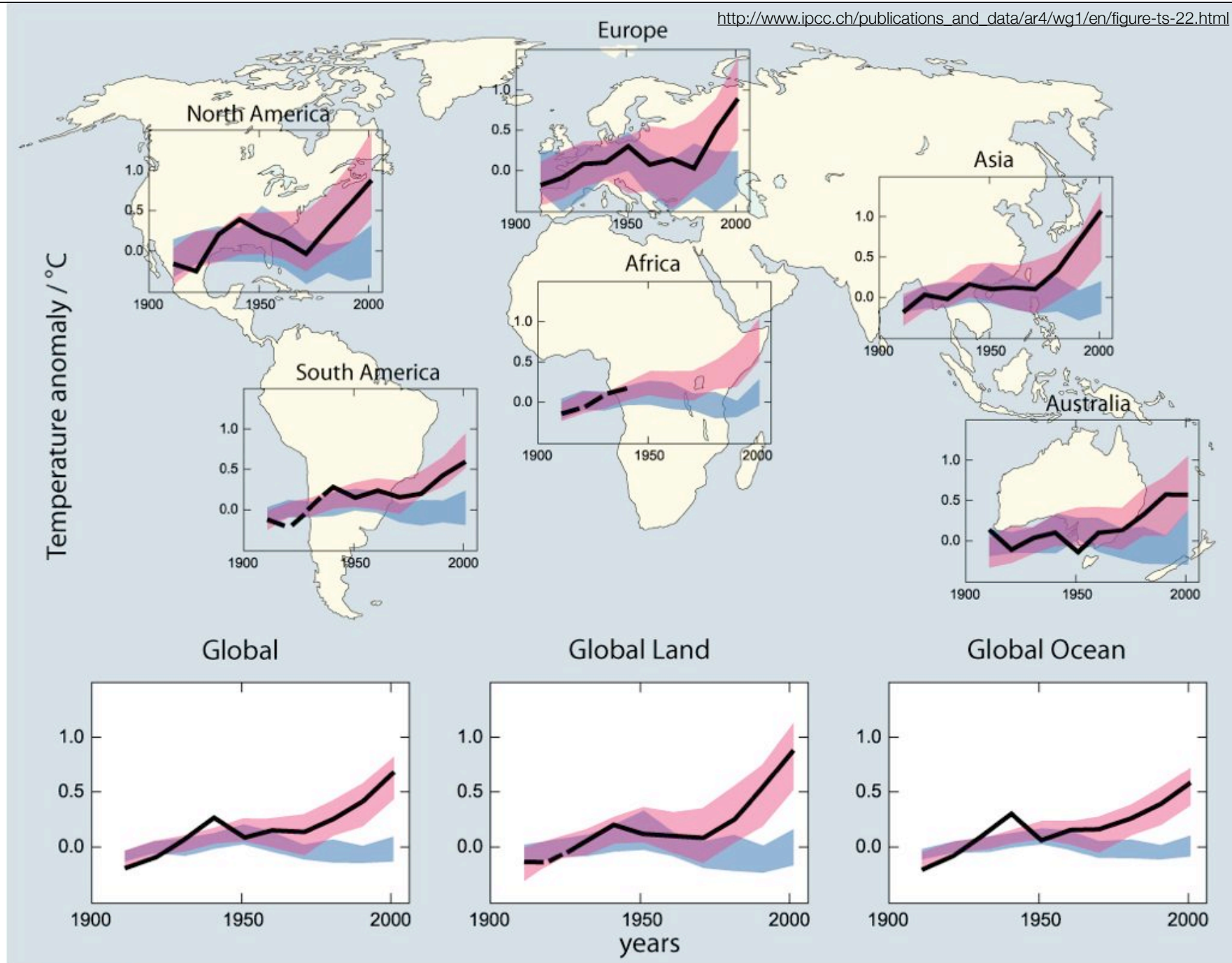




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# Are climate models getting better?

...So, yes, climate models are getting better, and we can demonstrate this with quantitative performance metrics based on historical observations. Although future climate projections cannot be directly evaluated, climate models are based, to a large extent, on verifiable physical principles and are able to reproduce many important aspects of past response to external forcing. In this way, they provide a scientifically sound preview of the climate response to different scenarios of anthropogenic forcing.



models using only natural forcings  
models using both natural and anthropogenic forcings

— observation



## Climate Panel Cites Near Certainty on Warming



Tim Wimborne/Reuters

A new report from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change states that the authors are now 95 percent to 100 percent confident that human activity is the primary influence on planetary warming.

By [JUSTIN GILLIS](#)

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# What constitutes support for a hypothesis?

Loosely based on Bradford Hill's criteria for causation

**Strength** of the association

**Quality** of the data

measurement

experimental data

**Quantity** of the data

**Consistency** between studies

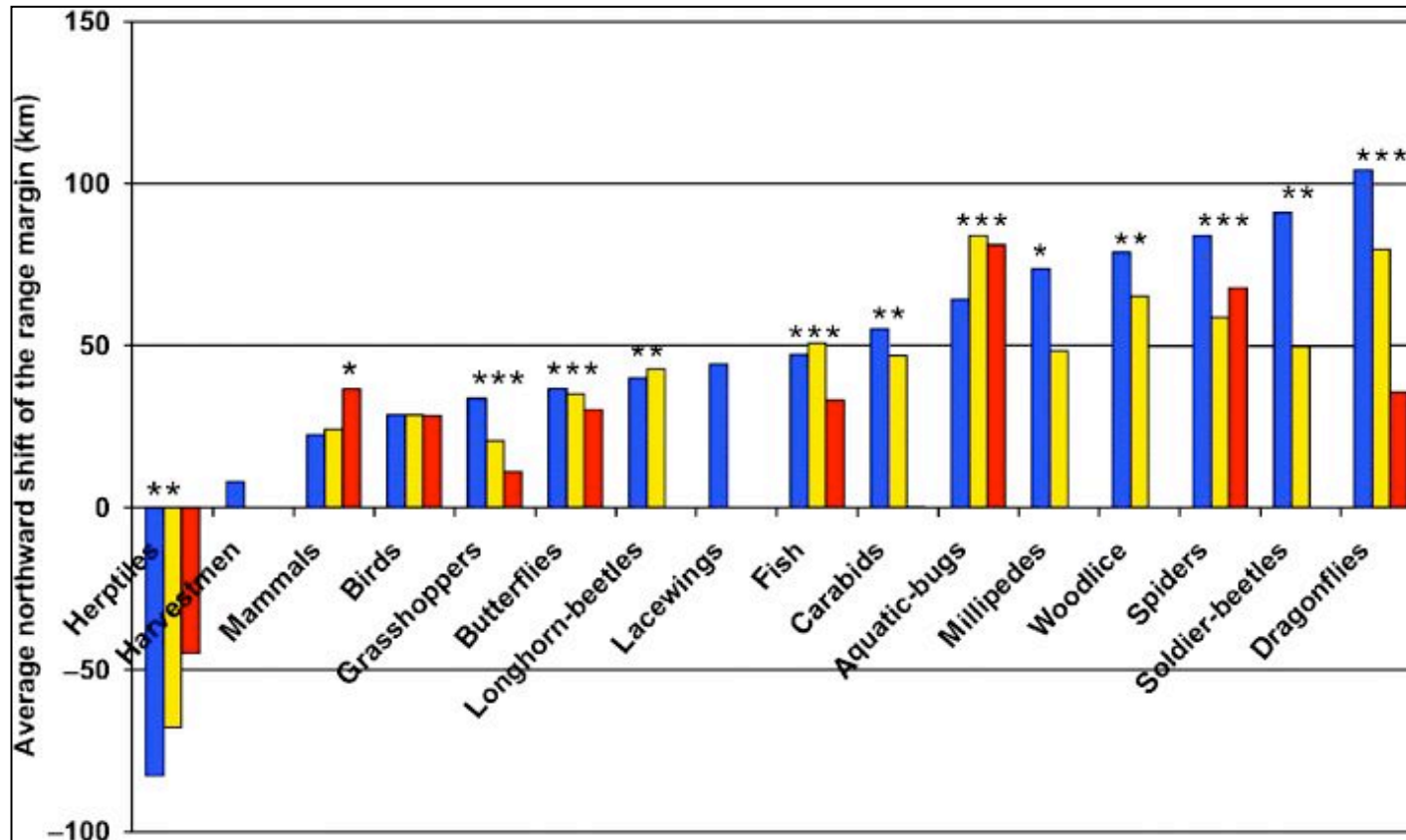
**Coherence** between different types of data

**Plausibility** of mechanism

Analogy/similarity in other systems



**Specificity** of the predictions

The distributions of a wide range of taxonomic groups are expanding polewards





### ... and many species will be pushed farther and farther north.

Maps show the core areas  where birds live now and where similar climate conditions  could exist in 2080.

Common Redpoll



Spotted Sandpiper



Wood Duck



Common Goldeneye



Canada Warbler



Veery



Hermit Thrush



Marsh Wren

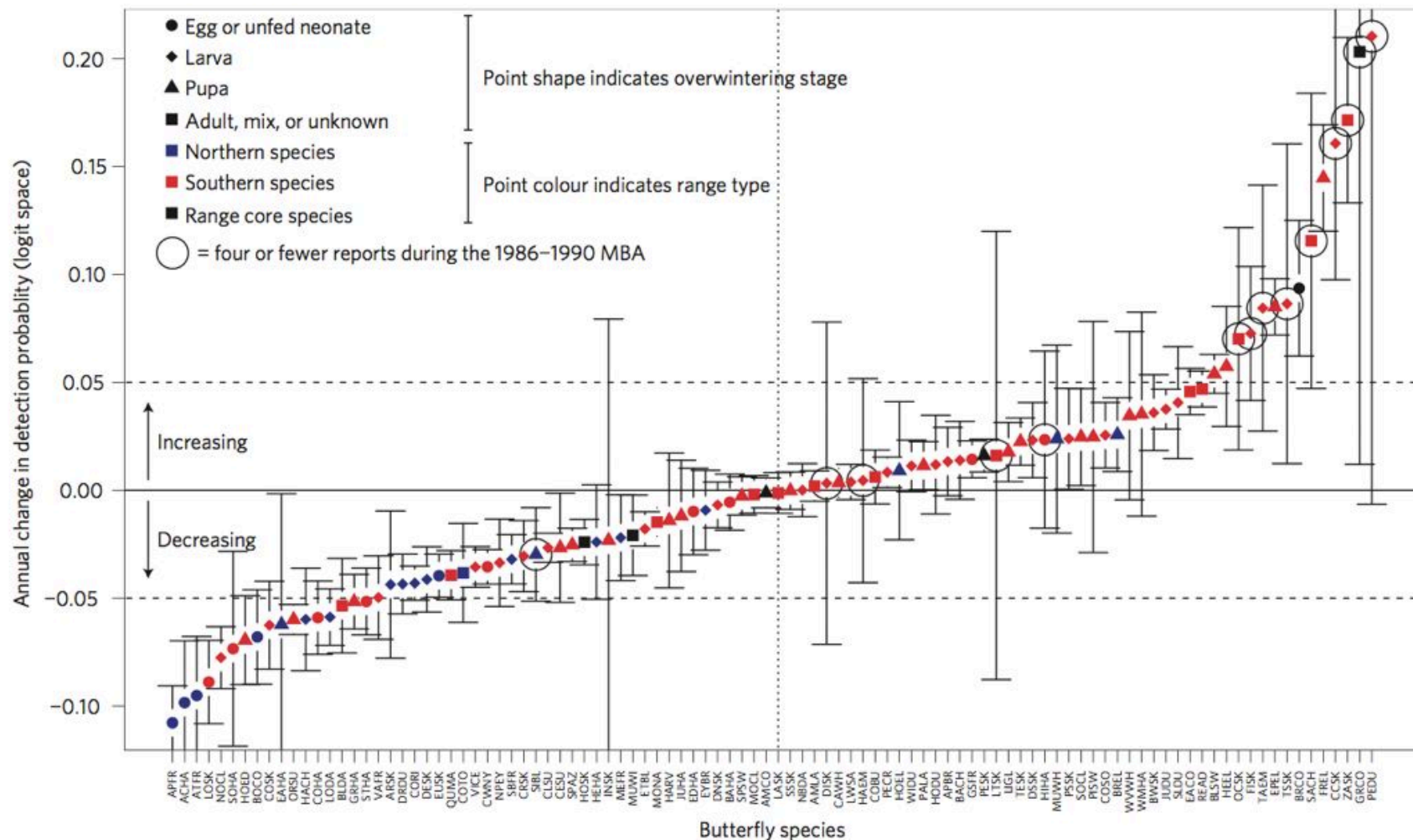


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**Figure 1 | Population trajectories with 90% confidence intervals for butterfly species in Massachusetts, with range type (northerly versus southerly, symbol colour) and overwintering stage (symbol shape) superimposed. Species that were rare or not present in the 1986–1990 MBA are circled. The**

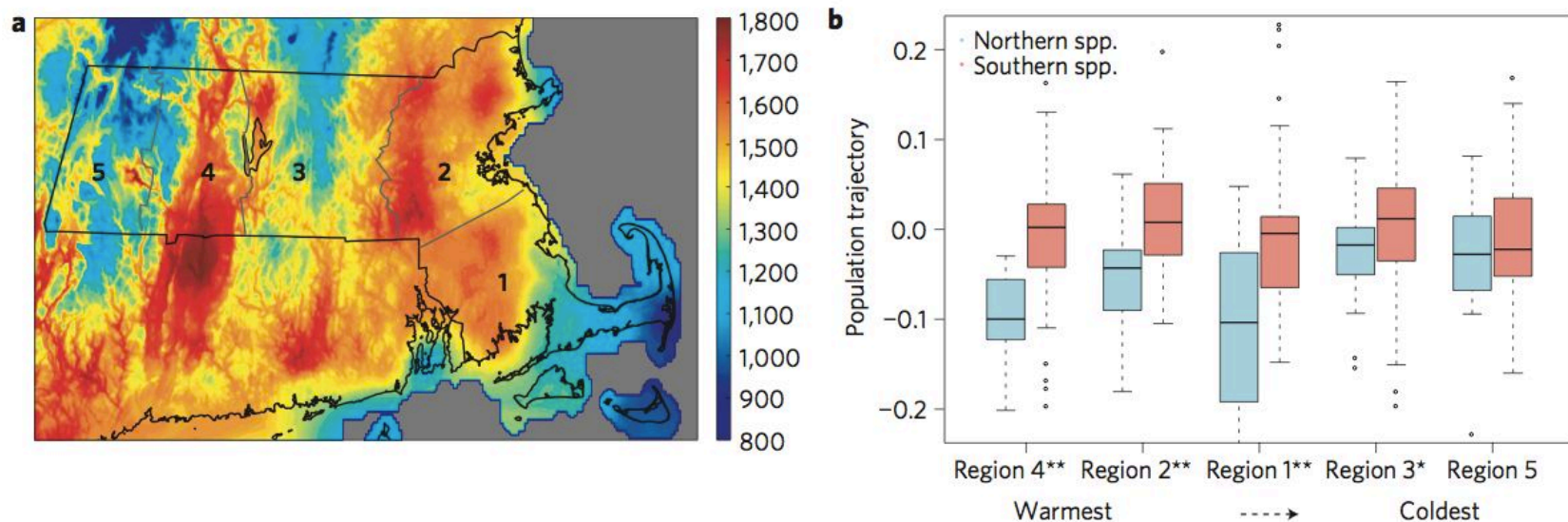


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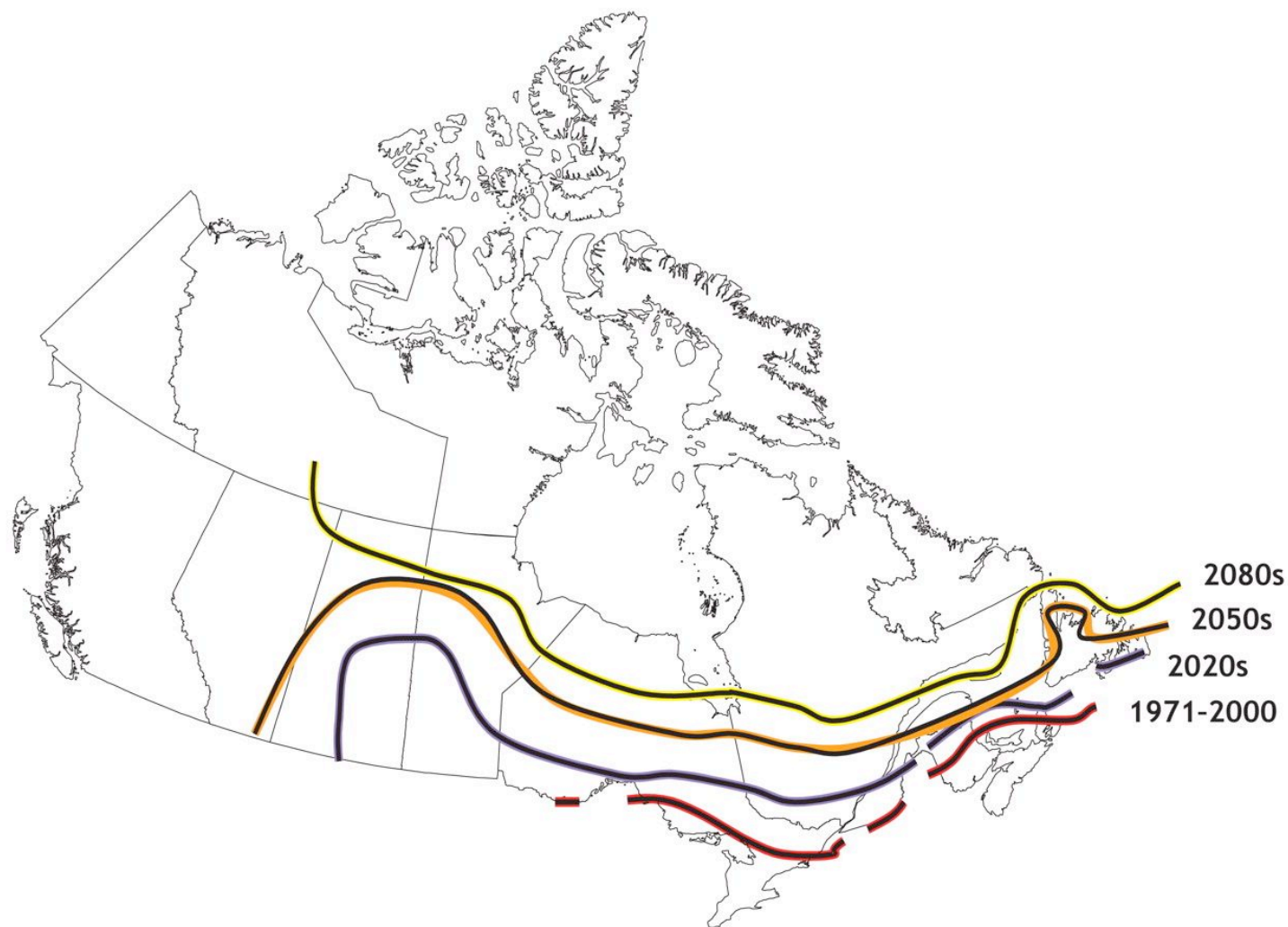
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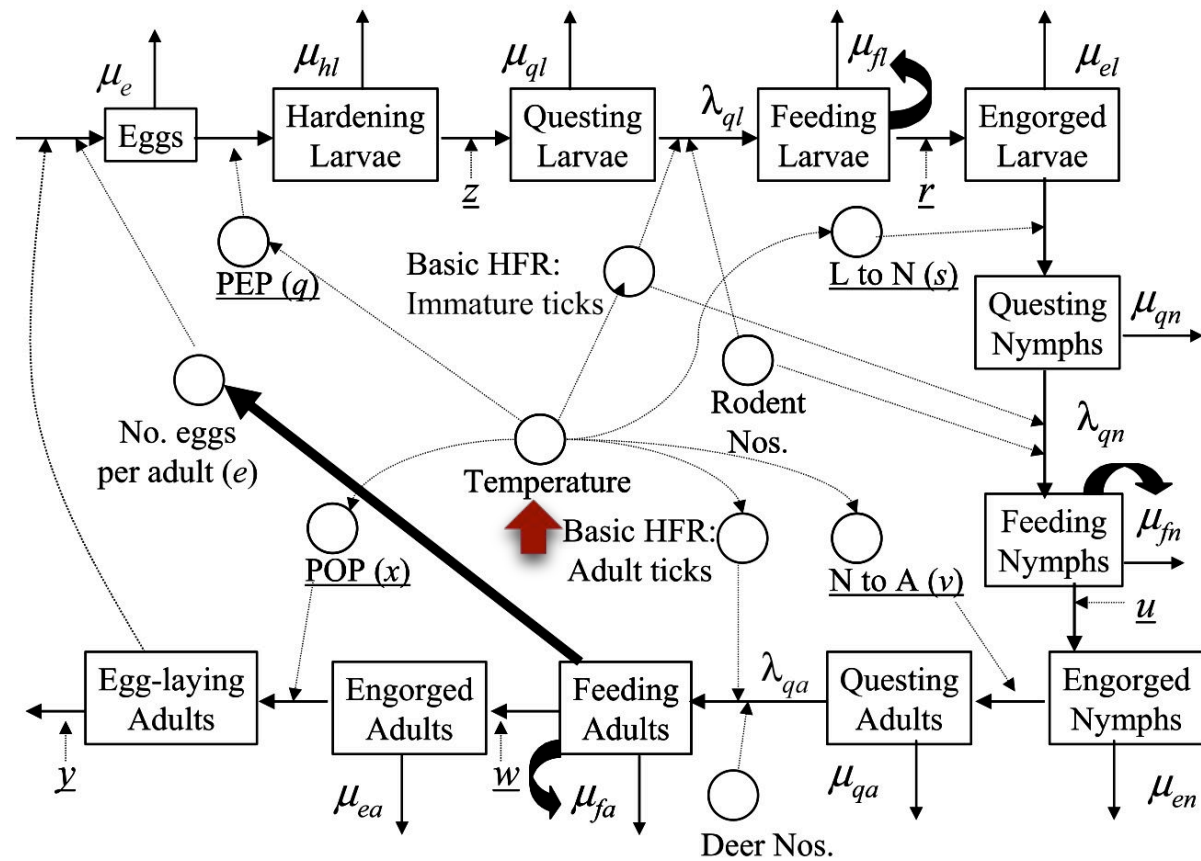
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**Figure 2: Upper temperature limits for *Ixodes scapularis* establishment in Canada, based on mathematical models.**

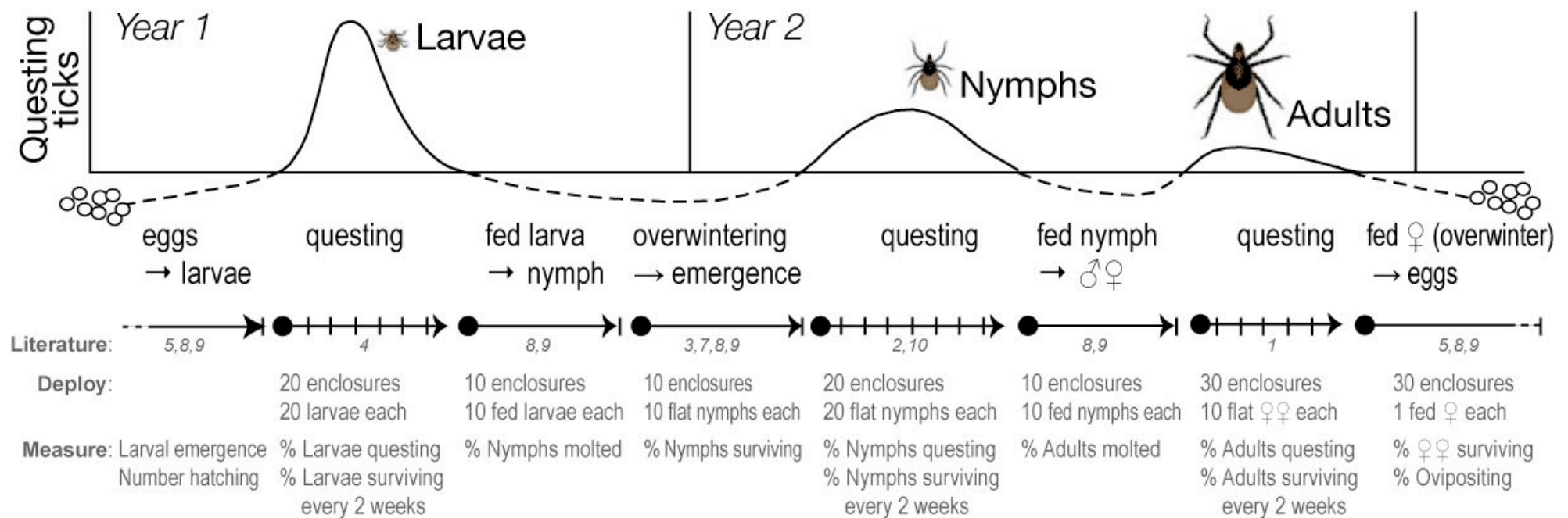


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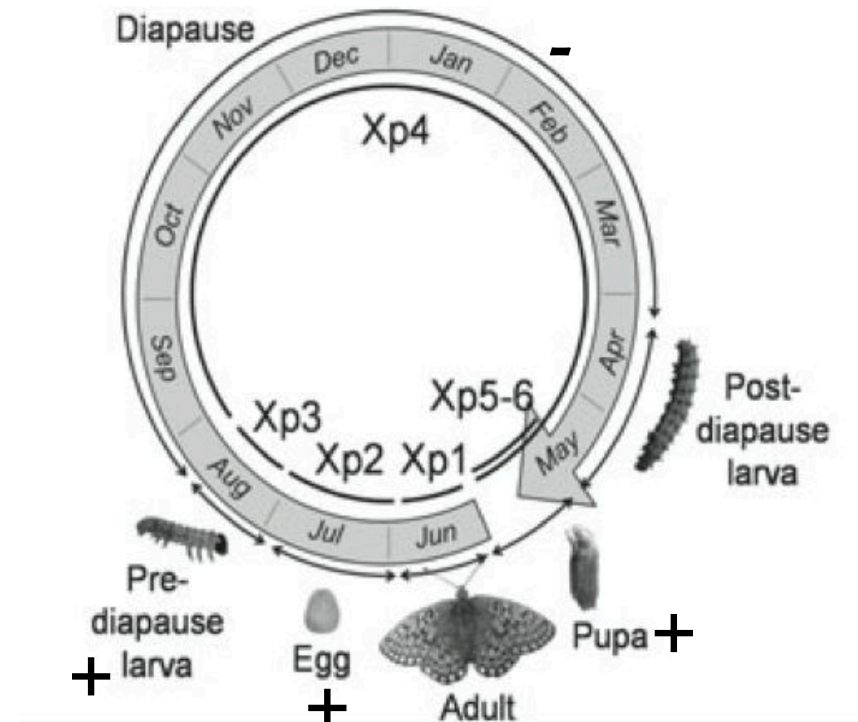


Certain conditions (e.g., warmer temperatures) might be good for some stages (e.g., faster development of larvae), but bad for others (e.g., lower nymphal survival)

Have to consider the whole lifecycle of the organism

## Each life stage matters: the importance of assessing the response to climate change over the complete life cycle in butterflies

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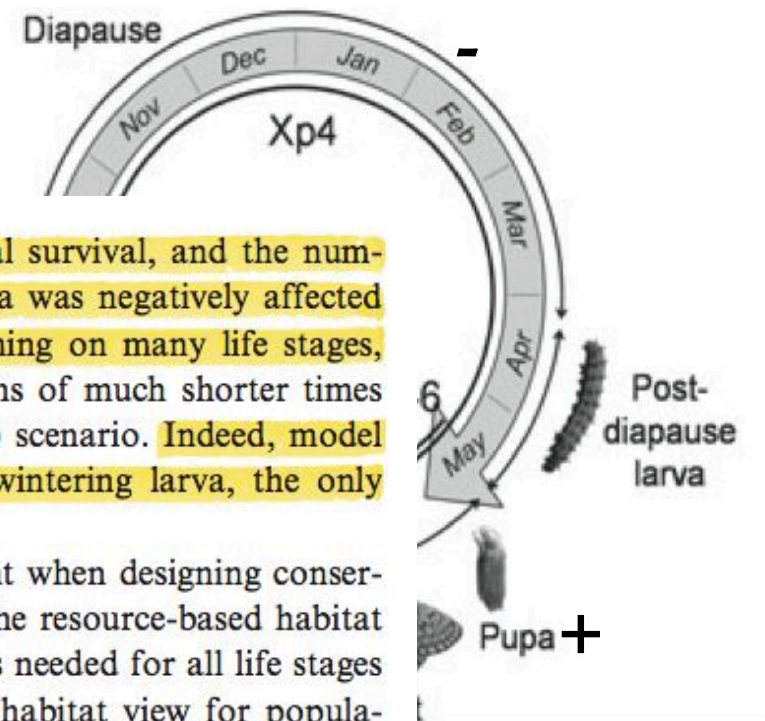
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4. Temperature positively affected egg, pre-diapause larva and pupal survival, and the number of eggs laid by a female; only the survival of overwintering larva was negatively affected by an increase in temperature. Despite the positive impact of warming on many life stages, population viability was reduced under all scenarios, with predictions of much shorter times to extinction than under the baseline (current temperature situation) scenario. Indeed, model predictions were the most sensitive to changes in survival of overwintering larva, the only stage negatively affected by warming.

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# Mountain pine beetle (*Dendroctonus ponderosae*)

*Coleoptera: Curculionidae, Scolytinae*

Native to North America

Infests all species of pines within their range (but especially ponderosa, lodgepole, western white, sugar, and limber pines)

Attacking beetles introduce spores of several fungi, which alters resin and water flow, preventing tree response

Girdles trees

Large outbreaks can affect  $\geq 80\%$  of trees in a stand



[www.fs.fed.us/rm/landscapes/Solutions/Pinebeetlebrood.shtml](http://www.fs.fed.us/rm/landscapes/Solutions/Pinebeetlebrood.shtml)



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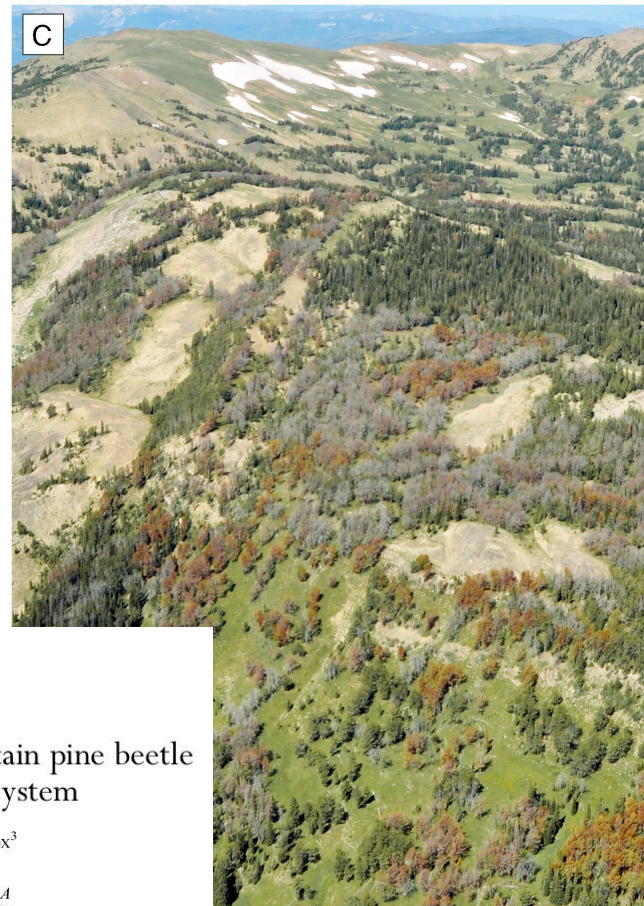
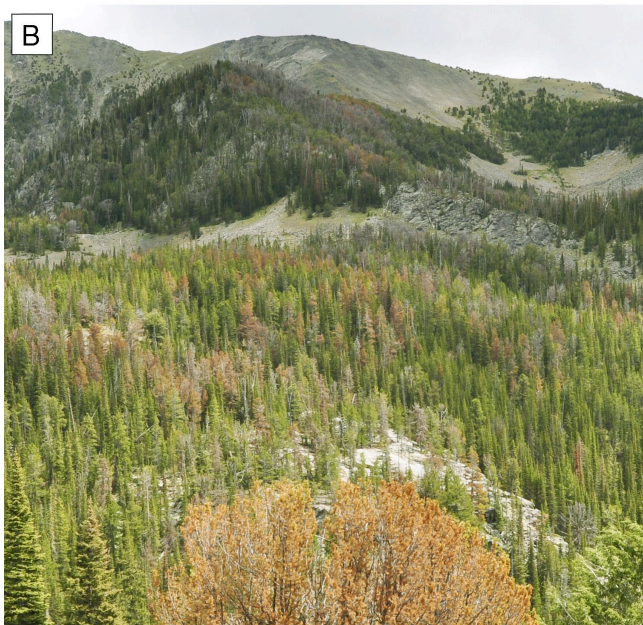


Plate 1. In these photographs, the trees with red needles were killed during the previous summer; the gray “ghost trees” remain after the needles drop, beginning the second summer after the tree is killed: (A) near Union Pass, Gros Ventre Range, Bridger-Teton National Forest, south-central GYE (Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem, USA); (B) Wisconsin Creek, Tobacco Root Range, Beaverhead National Forest, northwest GYE; (C) two miles southwest of Electric Peak, Gallatin Range, Yellowstone National Park, north-central GYE. Photo credits: W. W. Macfarlane.

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## Cold hardening in Mountain Pine Beetles

- Habitat within the bark can drop below  $-35^{\circ}\text{C}$
- MPB are not freeze tolerant!
- Lower their supercooling point (SCP), the temp at which ice crystals spontaneously form

Steps:

1. rid body of ice-nucleating agents such as food in gut, large proteins in hemolymph (lowers SCP by 10–20°C!)
2. Accumulate cryoprotectants (e.g. glycerol ) and antifreeze proteins (lowers SCP by an additional 10°C)

This is a process of *acclimation*, so early cold snaps = bad news

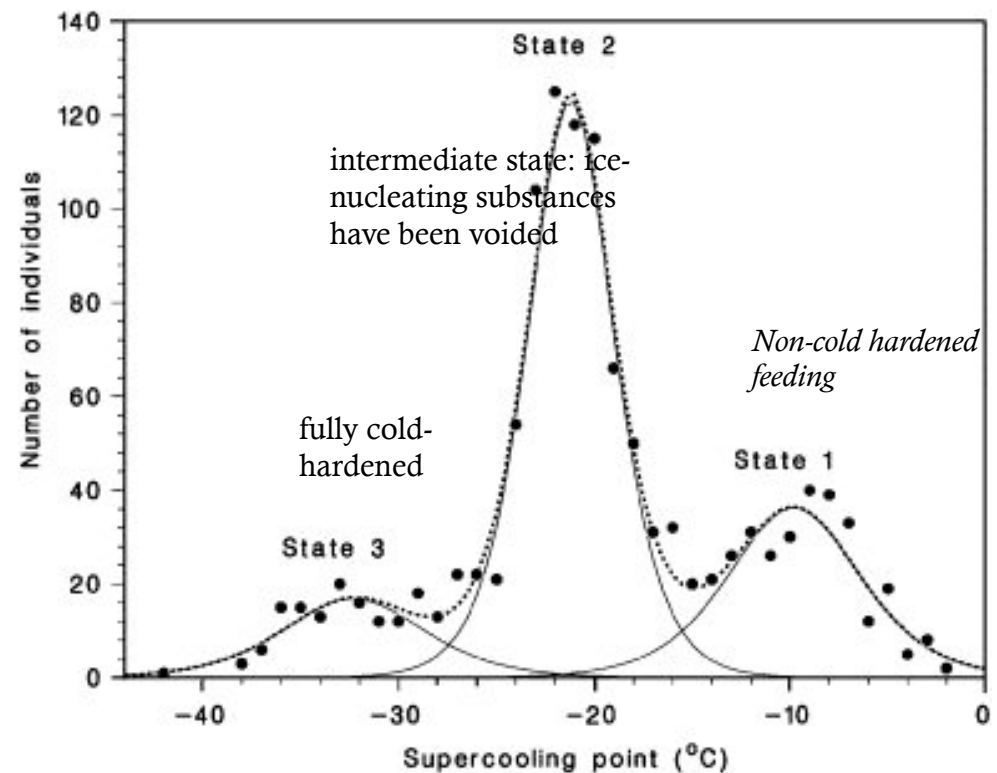
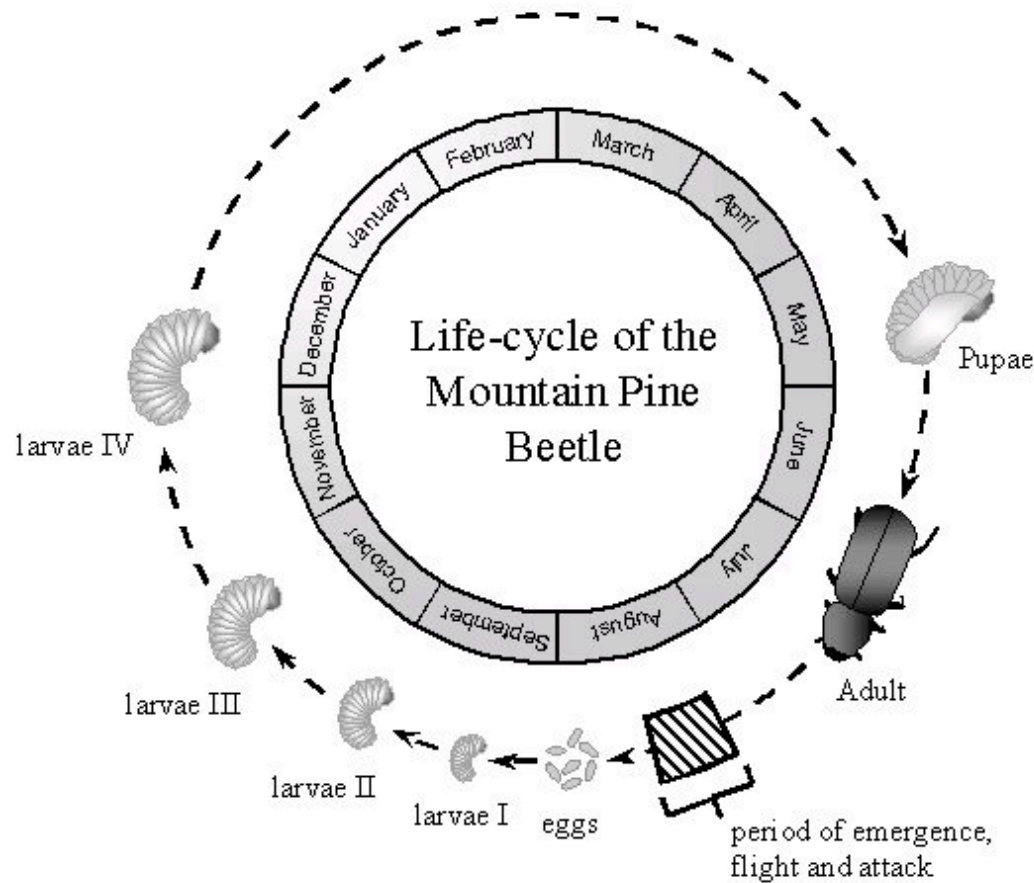


Fig. 3. Pooled frequency of all larval SCP (1 °C classes). Eq. (1) (solid lines: for each state; dotted line: combined) fitted by non-linear logistic regression to pooled observations of SCP among *Dendroctonus ponderosae* larvae (●).

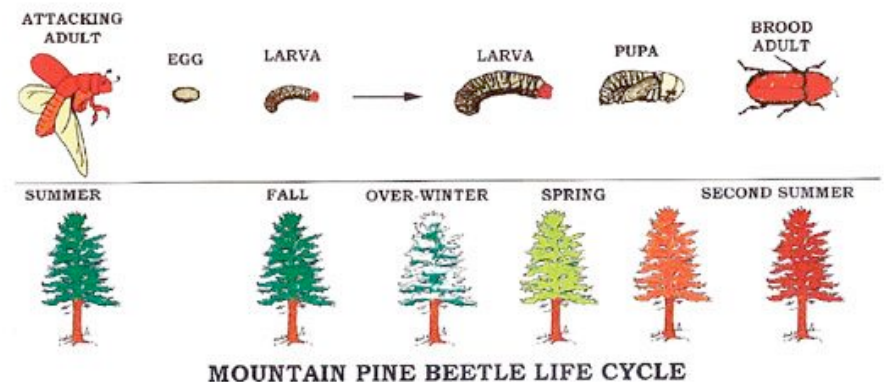




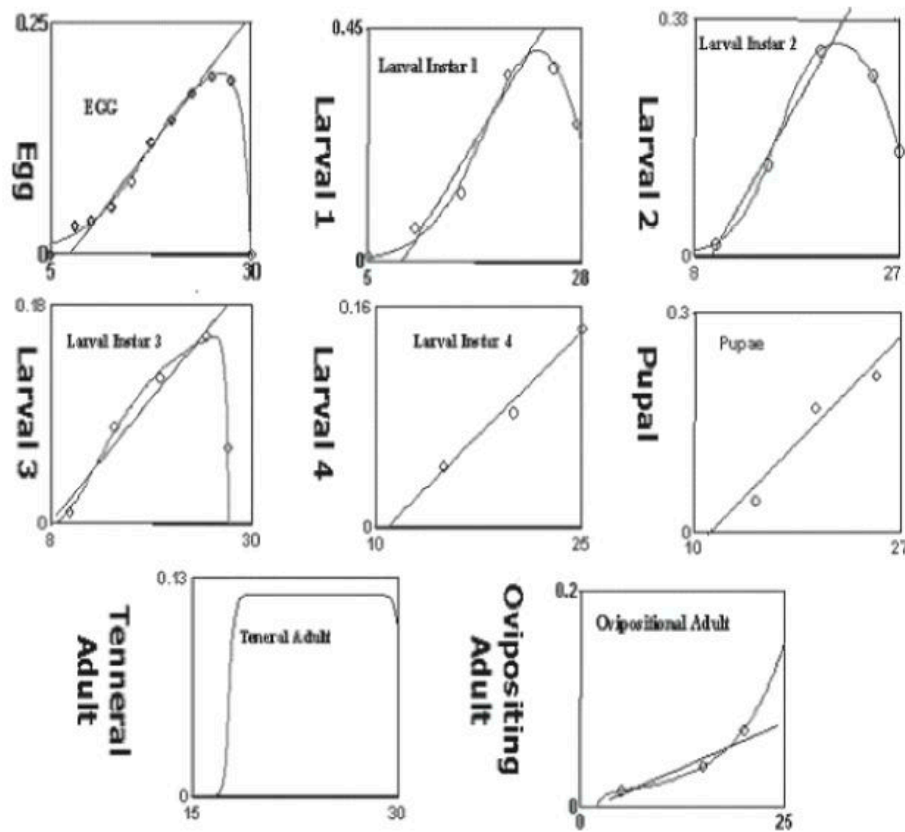
All but a few days that are spent flying and attacking trees MPB are in inner bark and phloem  
 Adults bore into tree, mate, and lay eggs  
 Generally has a one year life cycle at low elevations, maybe two at higher elevations

[www.realclimate.org/index.php/archives/2010/10/seeing-red/](http://www.realclimate.org/index.php/archives/2010/10/seeing-red/)

Note: mass attacks are much more successful, so synchronous emergence is important



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**Figure 1.** Rate curves for the mountain pine beetle. In all curves, the vertical axis is measured in development/day and the horizontal axis is temperature in centigrade. Data points determined by rearing at controlled temperatures are depicted as open circles.

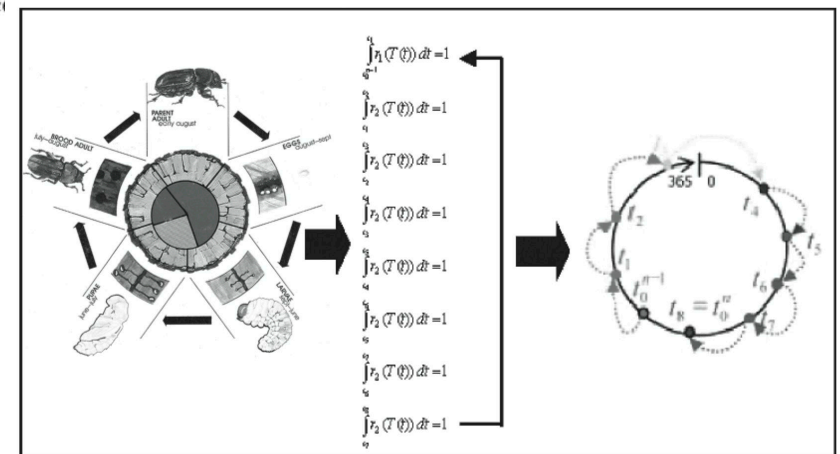
## Modelling Mountain Pine Beetle Phenological Response to Temperature

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**Figure 2.** Schematic diagram of the mountain pine beetle model. Development for each life stage is accumulated according to the stage specific development rate curves in Fig. 1. Completion of the final life stage signals the initiation of the first life stage in the next generation. This process is mathematically represented as a circle map, analogous to the cycles of the natural world.

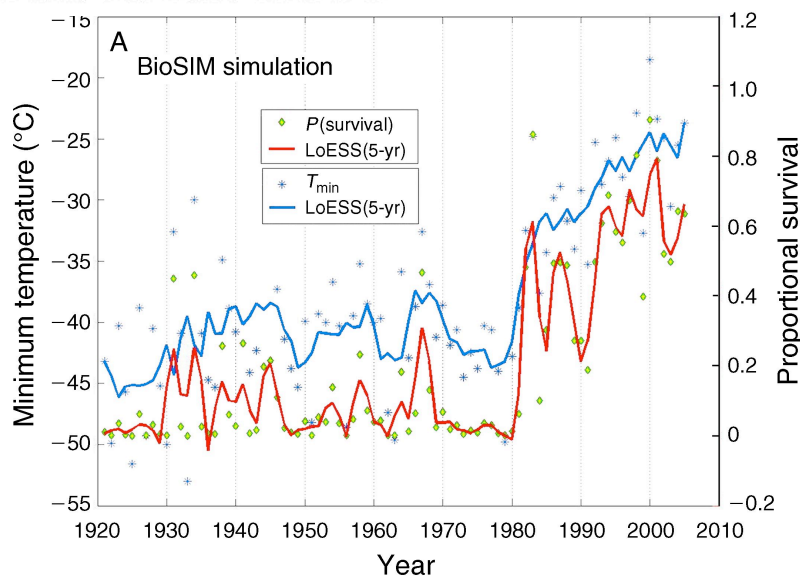
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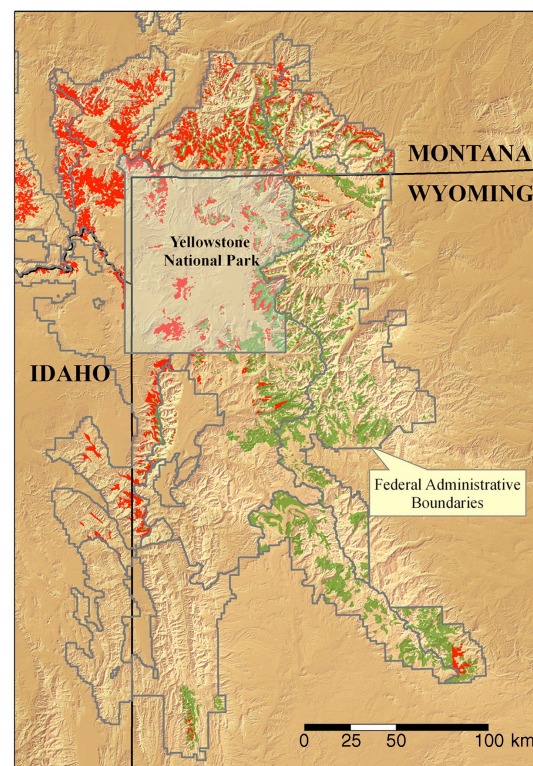
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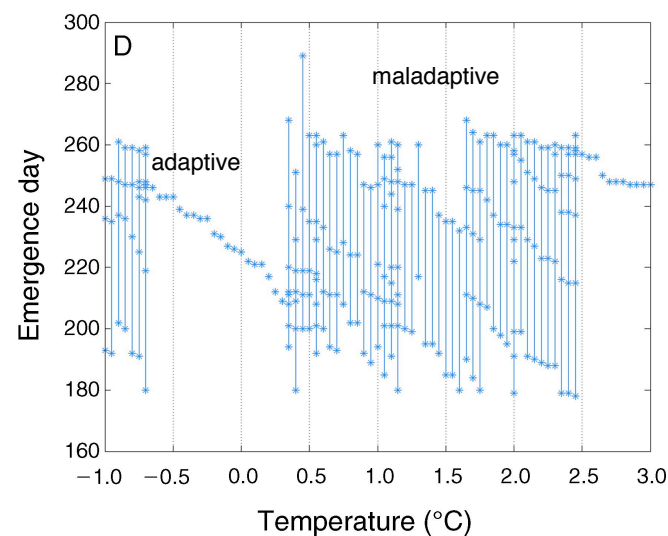
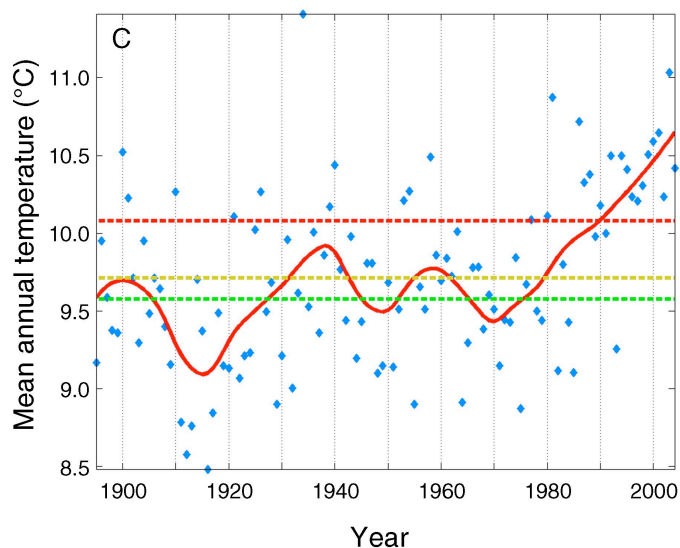
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## c) Mean annual temp for the 11 Western state

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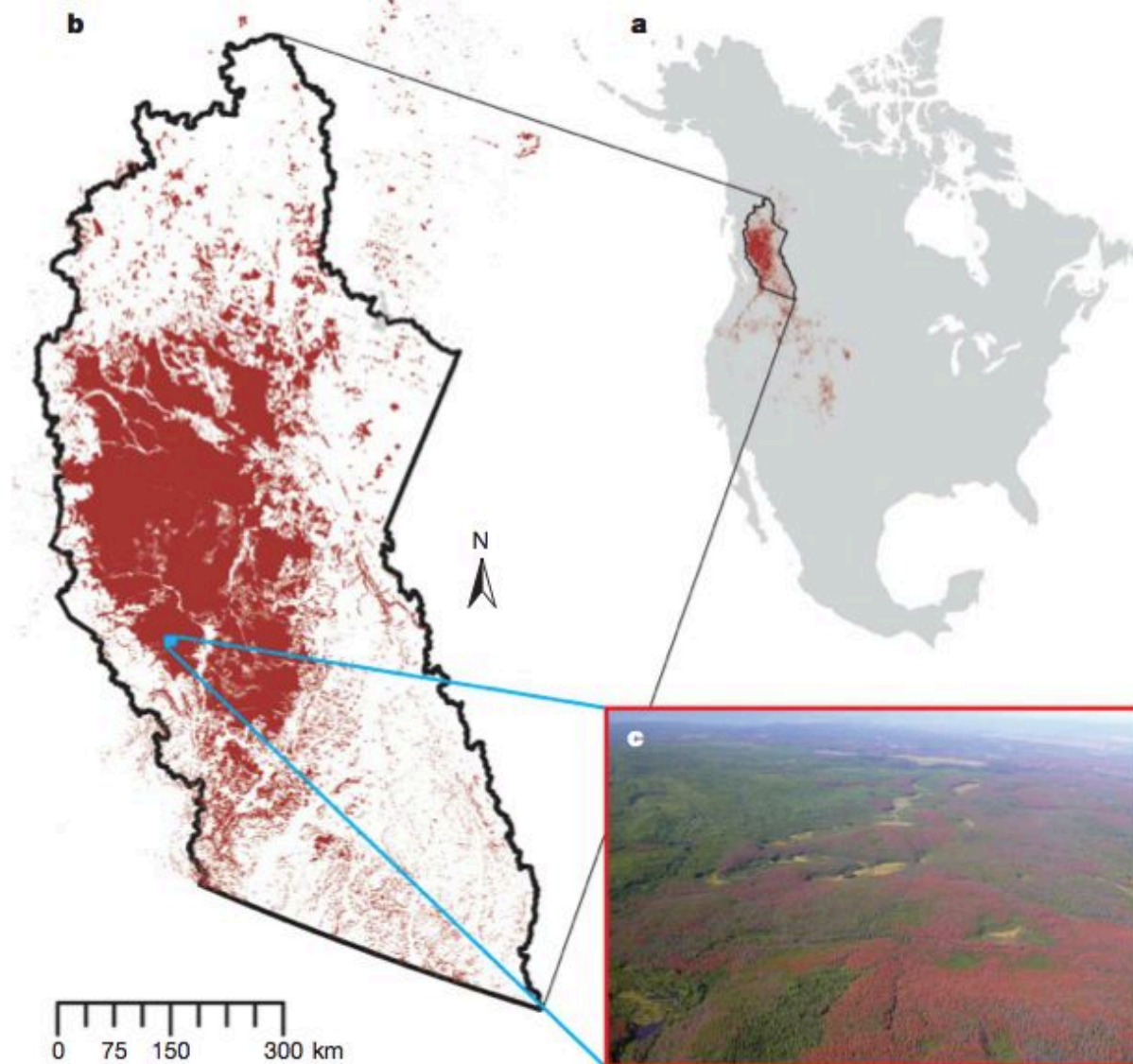
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# Mountain pine beetle and forest carbon feedback to climate change

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**Figure 1 | Geographic extent of mountain pine beetle outbreak in North America. a**, Extent (dark red) of mountain pine beetle. **b**, The study area includes 98% of the current outbreak area. **c**, A photograph taken in 2006

showing an example of recent mortality: pine trees turn red in the first year after beetle kill, and grey in subsequent years. Photo credit: Joan Westfall, Entopath Management Ltd.

