Coupled Models and Climate Change

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Kerry Emanuel's Downscaled Hurricane Climatology TC possible tracks



During the PETM, the location of TC activity was shifted towards higher latitudes than in the current climate and the intensity is weaker.



The amplitude of seasonal cycle of precipitation associated with the West African Monsoon is larger than observed.

The observed jump is not captured by the model.

Cristiana Stan

Preliminary results from 4xCO2 SP-CCSM

30 year 4xCO2 run with SP-CCSM4 30 year 1xCO2 run with SP-CCSM4 (control)

Control run has ~4.5K cold surface temperature bias

Primarily influenced by SWCF bias in tropical high clouds





SP-CAMfv does not simulate sustained ISO variability. PNNL MMF does not simulate coherent ISO variability.

- Analyze SP-CCSM4 for feedbacks, intraseasonal variability
- Work on tuning of SP-CAM4.0(fv)
- Wait for "new" dynamical core or proceed with fv?
- Use fv, but with ID or 2D microphysics?