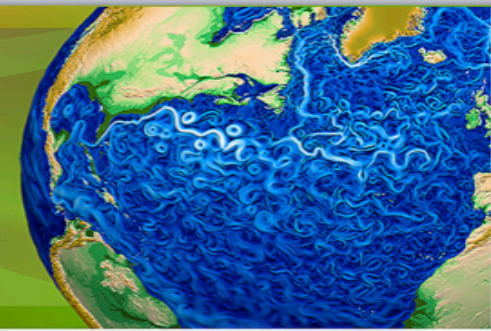




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# ACME V1 Capabilities and Tropics Relevant V2 Roadmap - Atmosphere

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# V1 Atmosphere – Capabilities

## Increased Resolution

- 25km horizontal and 72 layers with top at ~ 60km, better resolved hori/vert structures

## New Parameterizations

- Aerosols
  - MAM3 → MAM4
  - Revisions to convective transport, aerosol nucleation, scavenging to transport more aerosols to high latitude, aerosol resuspension, and sea spray aerosol
- Ice Microphysics
  - Conversion to precipitation; **Ice nucleation (V2)**
  - **Subgridscale vertical velocity; Preexisting Ice (V3)**
- **Elevation Class Decomposition (sub-columns for atmosphere and land) (V3)**
- Simple Ozone (linearized production and loss)
- Shallow Convection/Turbulence → CLUBB
- **Convective Gustiness (V2)**
- Cloud Microphysics → Morrison Gettelman version 2 (MG2)

## New Capabilities

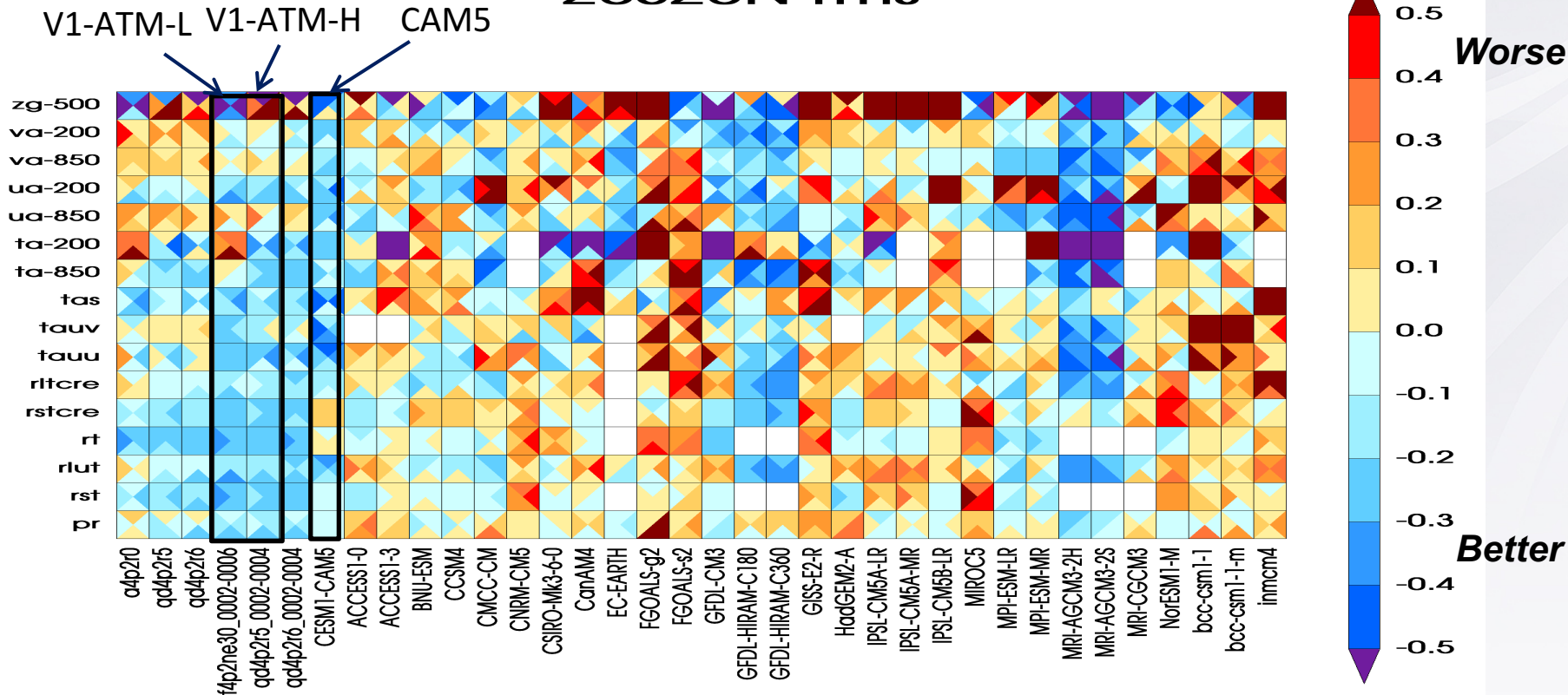
- Regional Refined Model
  - RRM-CONUS
  - **RRM-Arctic (V2)**
- Short-term hindcast technique (CAPT) and Perturbed Parameter Ensemble (PPE)
- COSP – Satellite simulators and ARM radar simulator

# New Features for V2 Atmos

- **RRM for Tropics (Erika Roesler)**
  - Create Tropics Grid, develop mapping files, topography, initial condition files, BC files
  - Perform superficial assessment of simulation fidelity for F2000 forcing
- **Potential new science developments**
  - BC/Dust in snow
  - Ice nucleation – **mixed-phase clouds**, code is ready (**Kai Zhang, Xiaohong Liu**)
  - Convective gustiness – **tropical precipitation and variability**, code in the V1 (**Po-lun Ma, Rich Neale, Bryce Harrop**)
  - Improvements originally intended for V3 that appear to be ready early, be mature, that might benefit V2 science, e.g.
    - Skewness treatment in CLUBB to improve **trade-cu to strato-cu transition** (**Po-lun Ma, Vince Larson**)
    - **Coupling ocean DMS and MOA emissions with the atmosphere** (**Susannah Burrows, Philip Cameron-smith**)
- **Diagnostics for Tropics**
  - Tier 1b
  - Other unique diagnostics specifically relevant to the Tropics science questions

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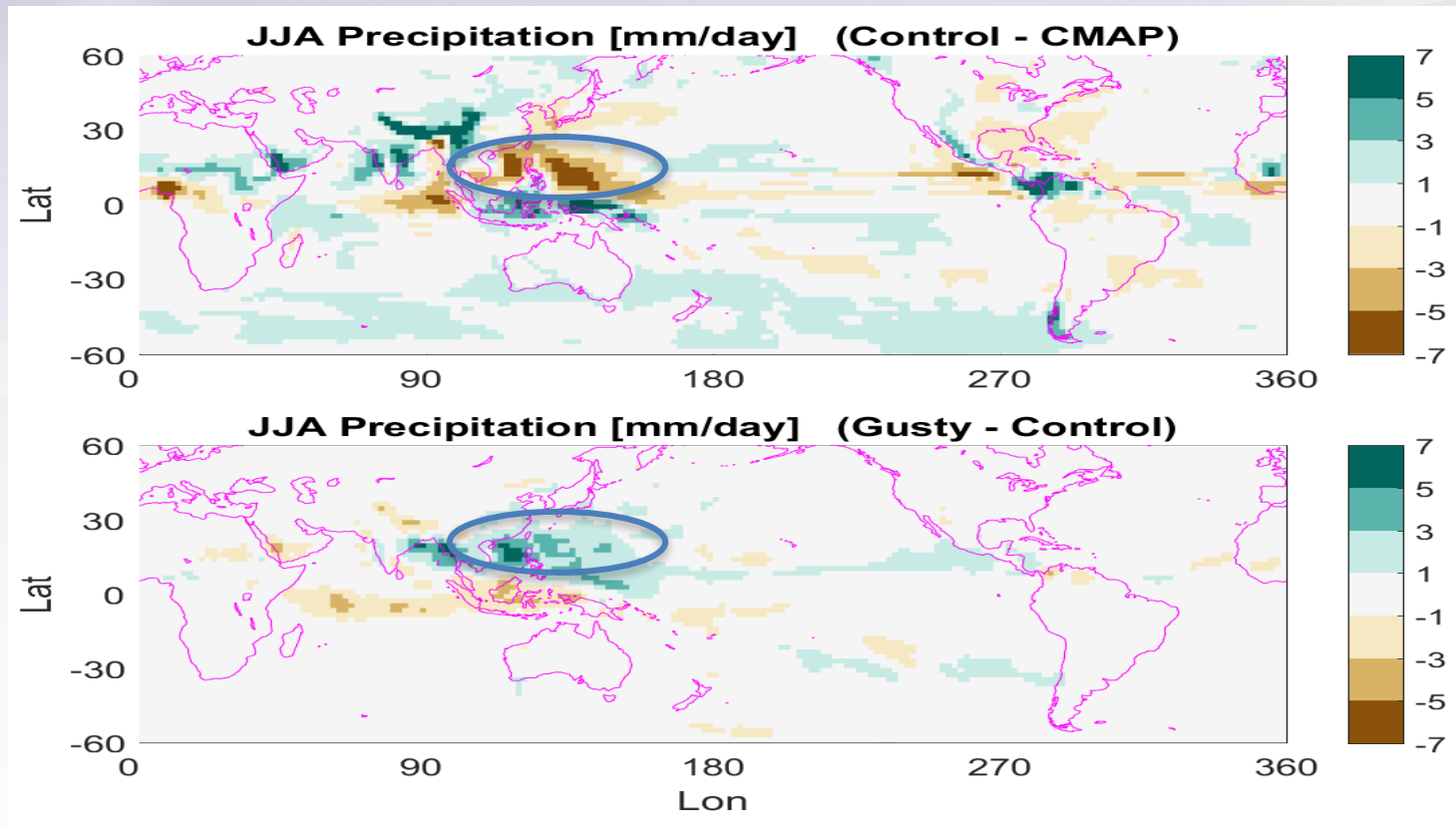
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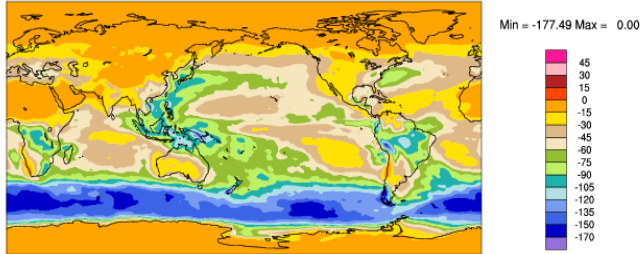
# Tropical Precipitation Simulated with A Convective Gustiness Scheme

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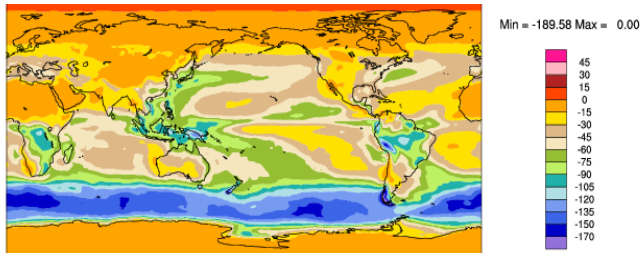


# Skewness treatment in CLUBB to improve the Coastal Stratocumulus

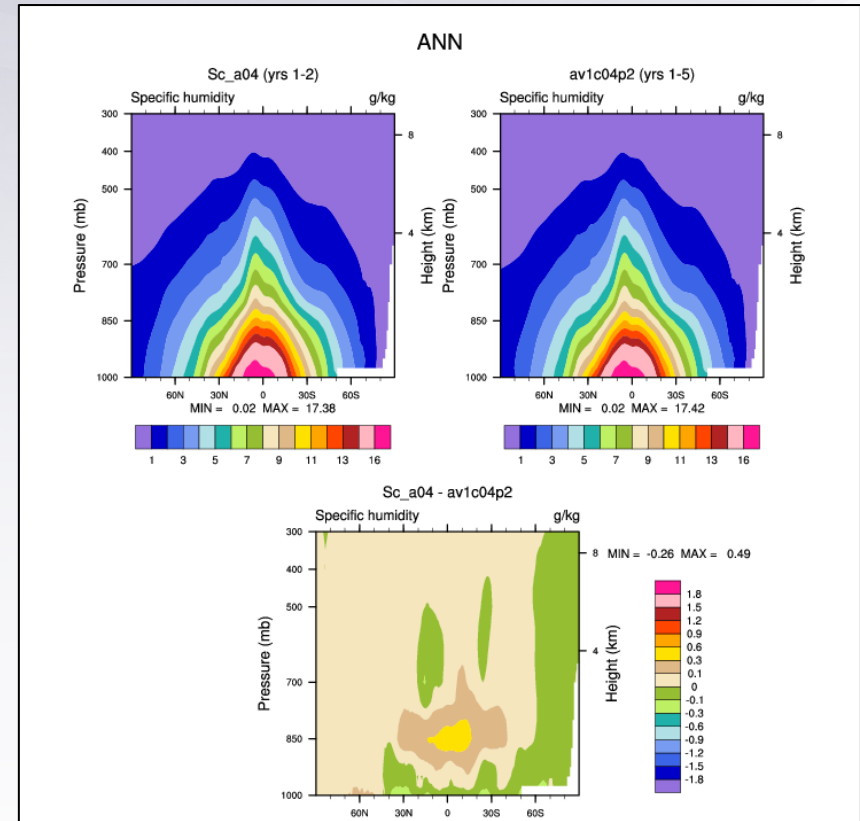
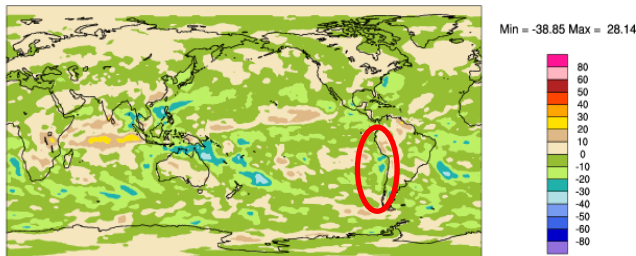
ACMEV1 (AV1C04P2) + new tunings



ACMEV1 (AV1C04P2)



New - Default



Bias of vertical distribution of moisture in ACMEV1 (AV1C04P2) is also reduced.

# Extra Slides

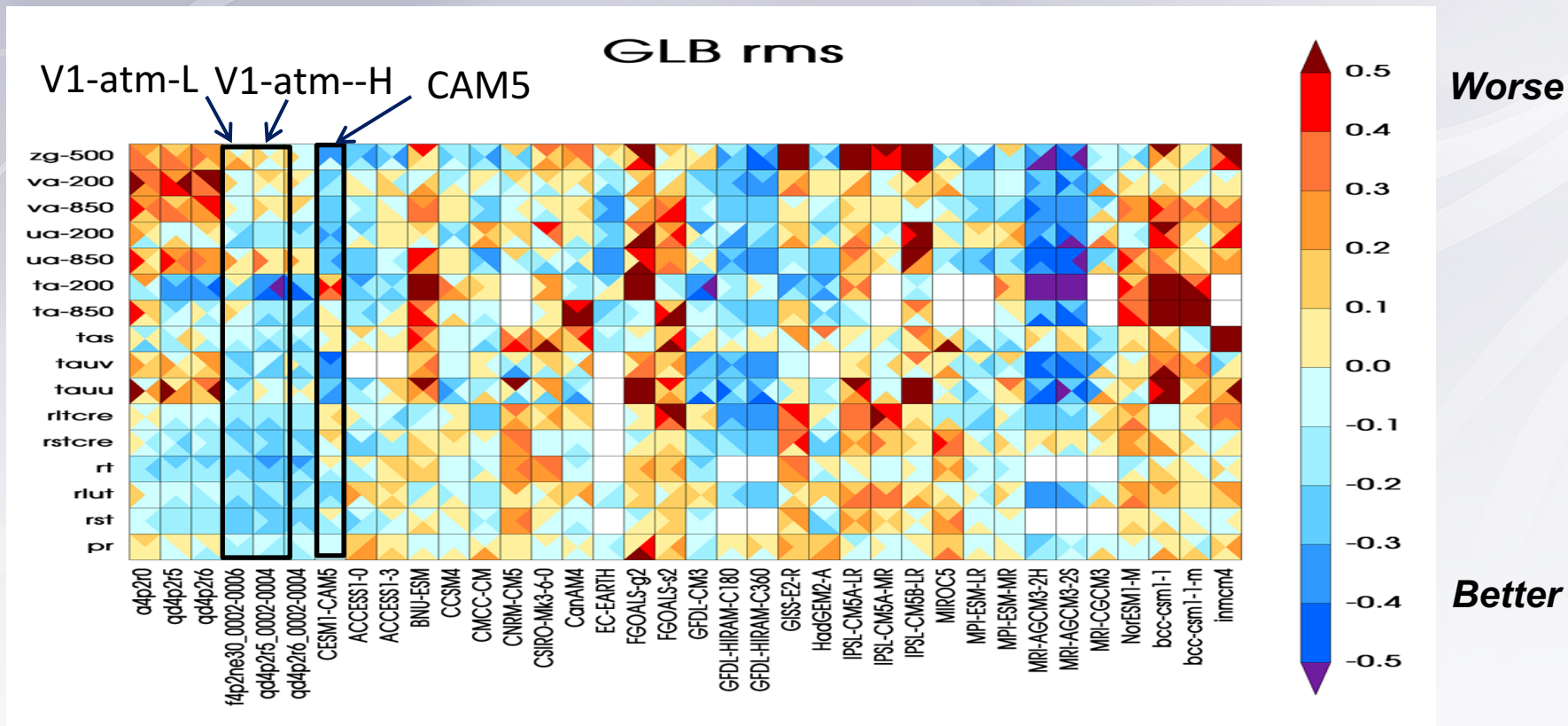
# ACME V2-Tropics Science Questions

- ACME V2 – Tropics (w/ NGEE-Tropics)
  - Water cycle/cryosphere: How do soil-plant-atmosphere interactions influence **water recycling in tropical forest and plant** response to the perturbations such as LULCC? What are the local and remote influence of the plant response in the **Amazon**?
  - Biogeochemistry: What are the relative influence of plant phenology and vegetation dynamics of tropical forests on cycling of carbon in the **Amazon**?

*From ACME V2/V3 Plan (Lueng et al. 2017)*



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