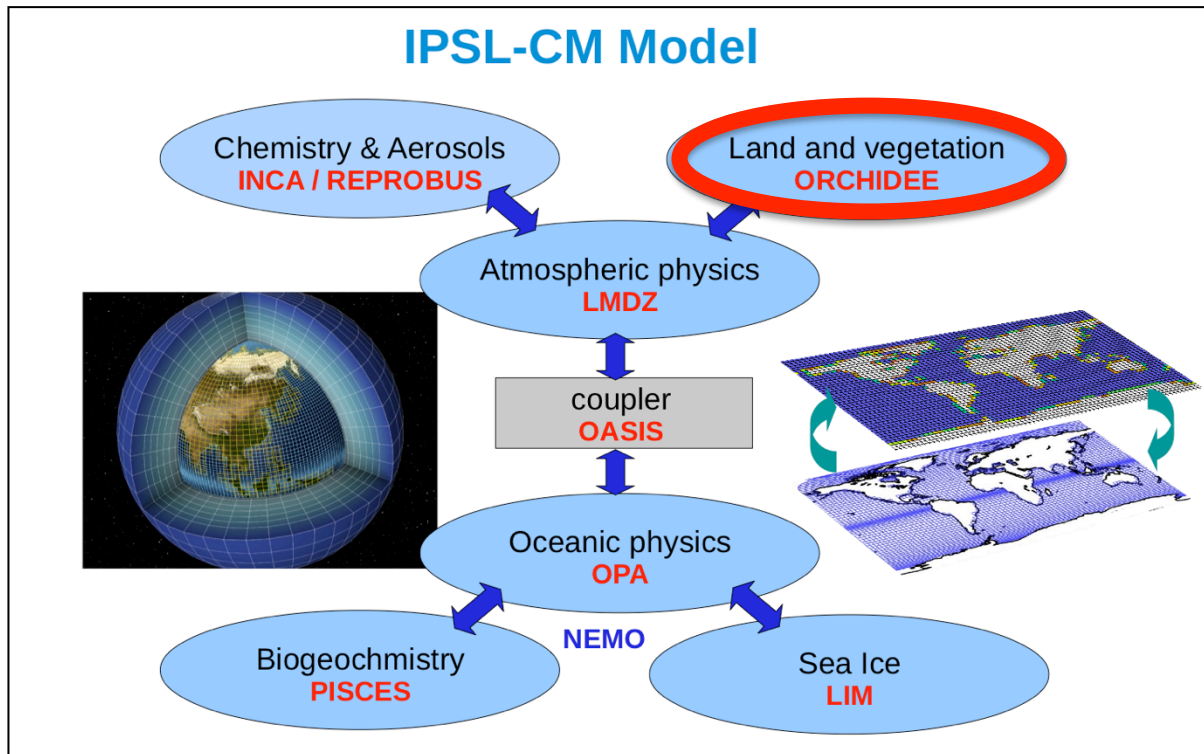


Analysis of the Land carbon cycle in the IPSL-CM6: from a statistical down-regulation of photosynthesis to a full carbon - nitrogen implementation

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LAND SURFACE MODEL



4 versions of the Land CO₂ fertilisation

1. **IPSL- CM5** : No down regulation

high sensitivity of land fluxes to [CO₂] (high beta factor)

2. **IPSL- CM6-P1** : A surrogate of full Nitrogen cycle with a strong “down regulation” of V_{cmax} as a function of [CO₂]_{atm}

$$V_{cmax} = V_{cmax25} \cdot (1 - coef_down_reg \cdot \log(CO_2/380))$$

Sellers et al., 1996

3. **IPSL-CM6-P2** : An updated downregulation curve to avoid large GPP reduction above 700 ppm

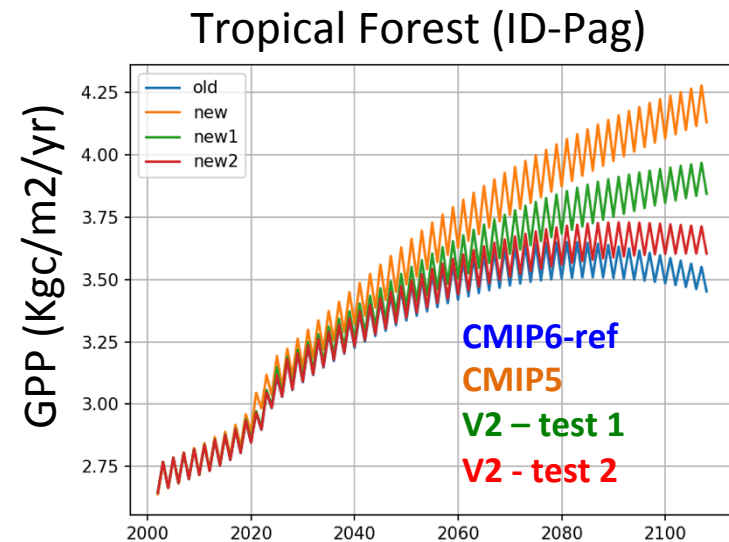
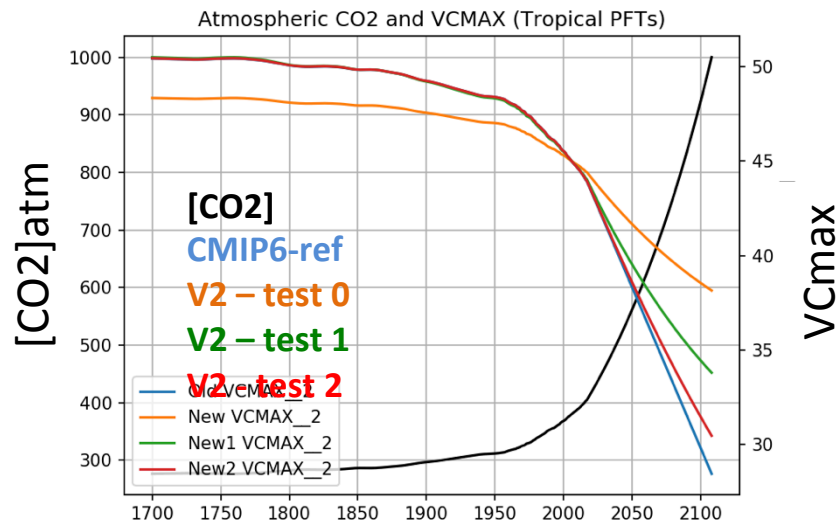
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4. **IPSL-ORCHIDEE-CN** : includes Nitrogen cycle in ORCHIDEE (run underway)

Tunning of the “down regulation”

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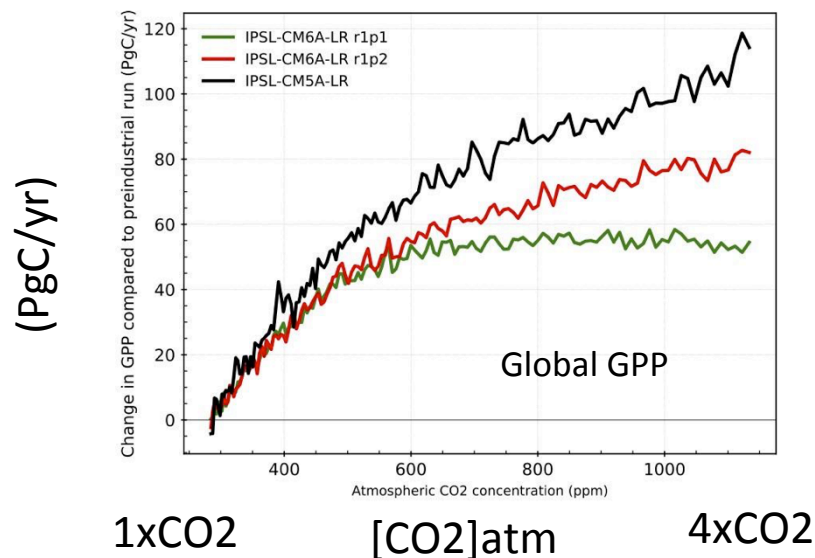
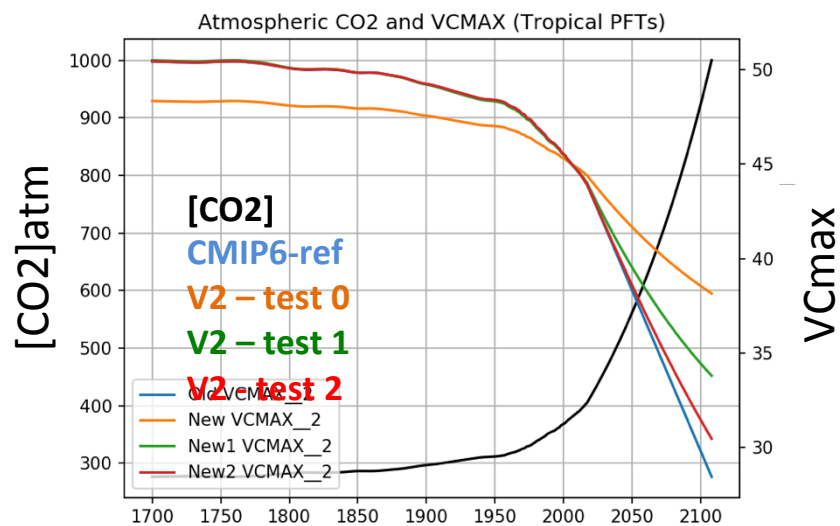
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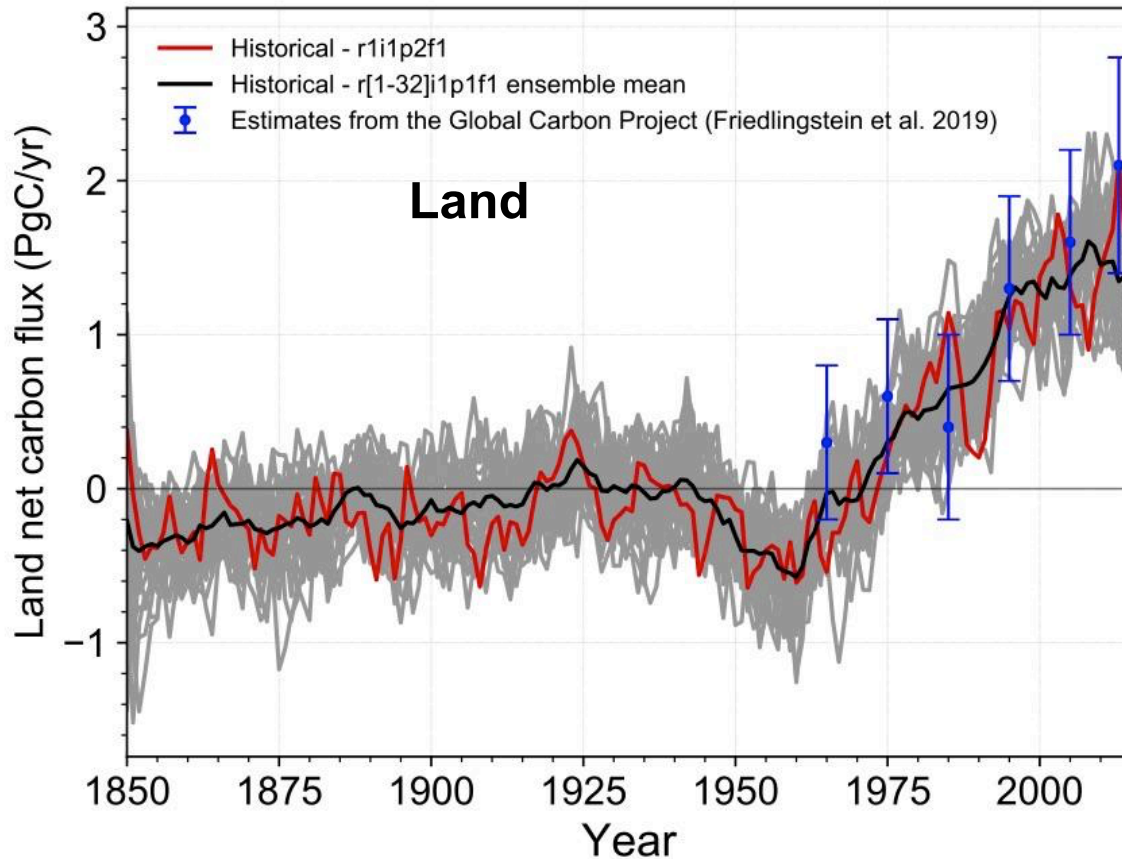
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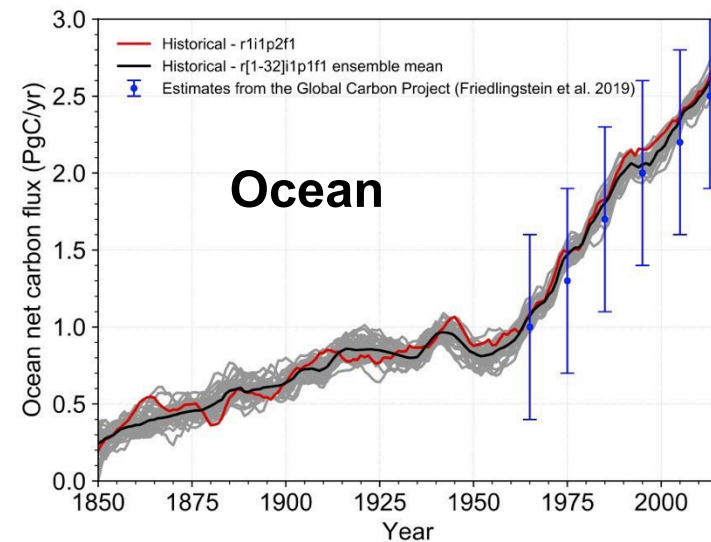
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Historical period...

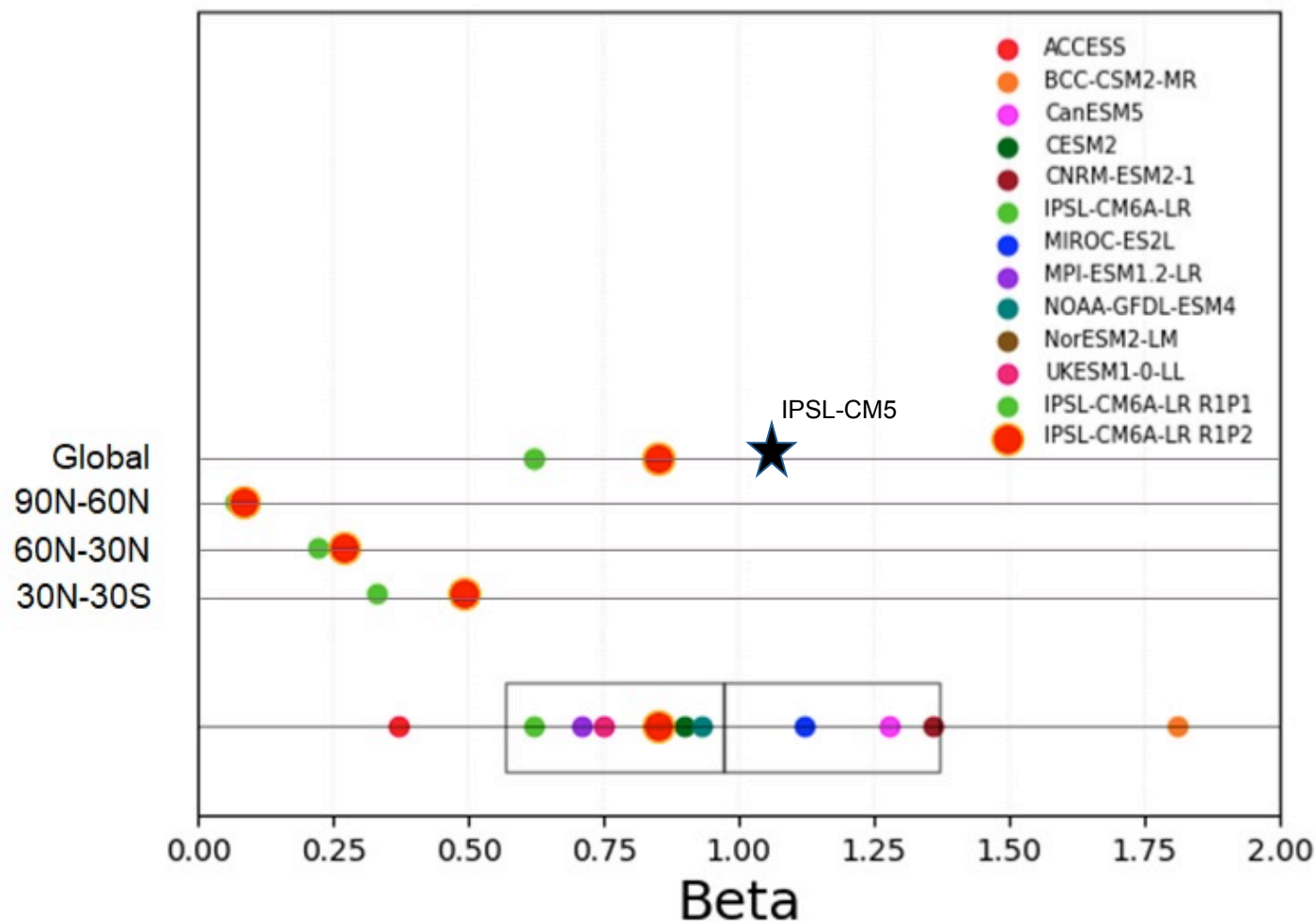


IPSL - CM6 - r1-32 P1
IPSL - CM6 - r1 P2
Data Range from GCP



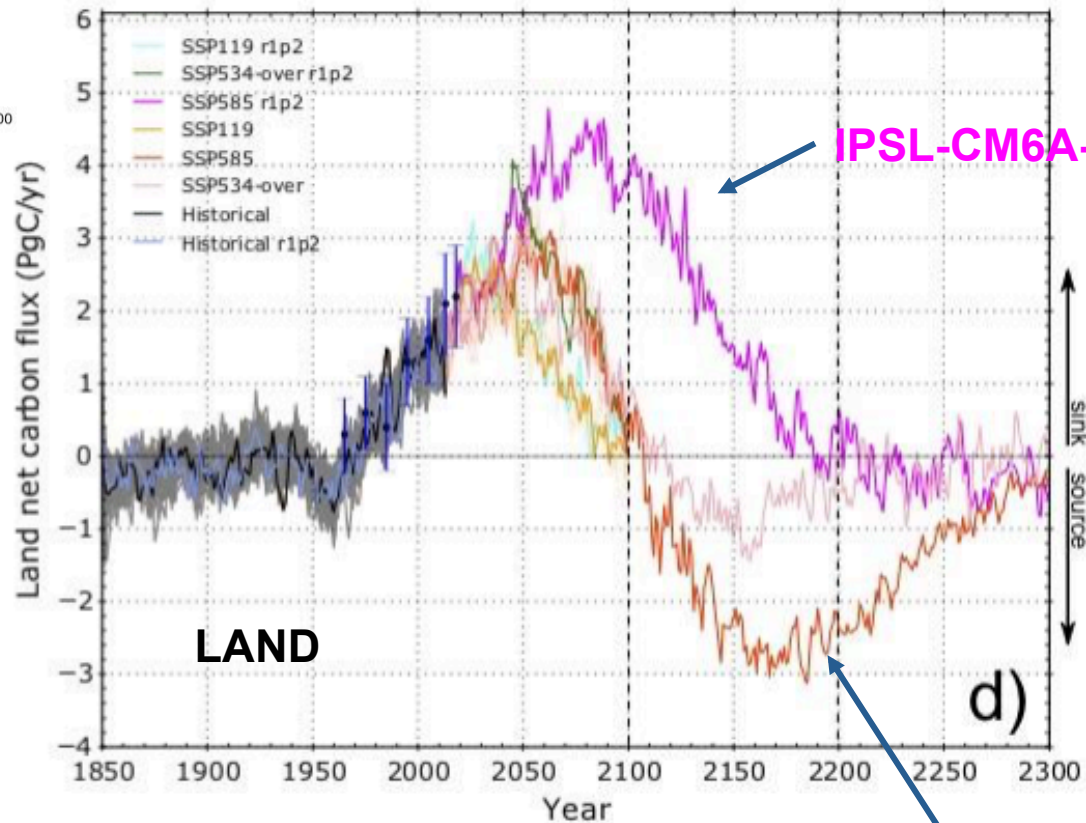
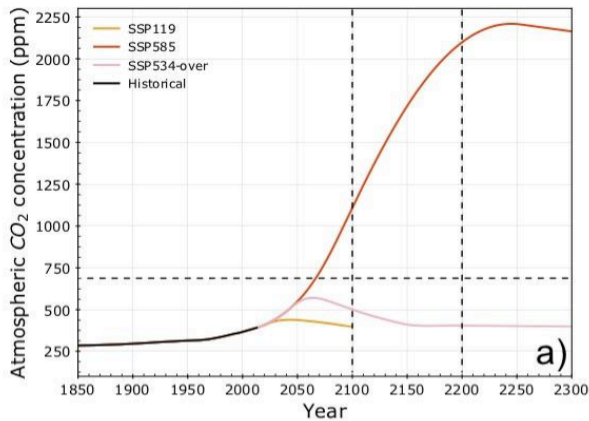
Carbon - concentration feedback

1% CO₂ simulations up to 4xCO₂: Comparison with other models (Arora et al. 2020)



Beta_{land} = IPSL-CM5 / IPSL-CM6 r1p1 / IPSL-CM6 r1p2
 1.13 / 0.62 / 0.85 PgC.ppm⁻¹

Future scenarios: SSP5-8.5



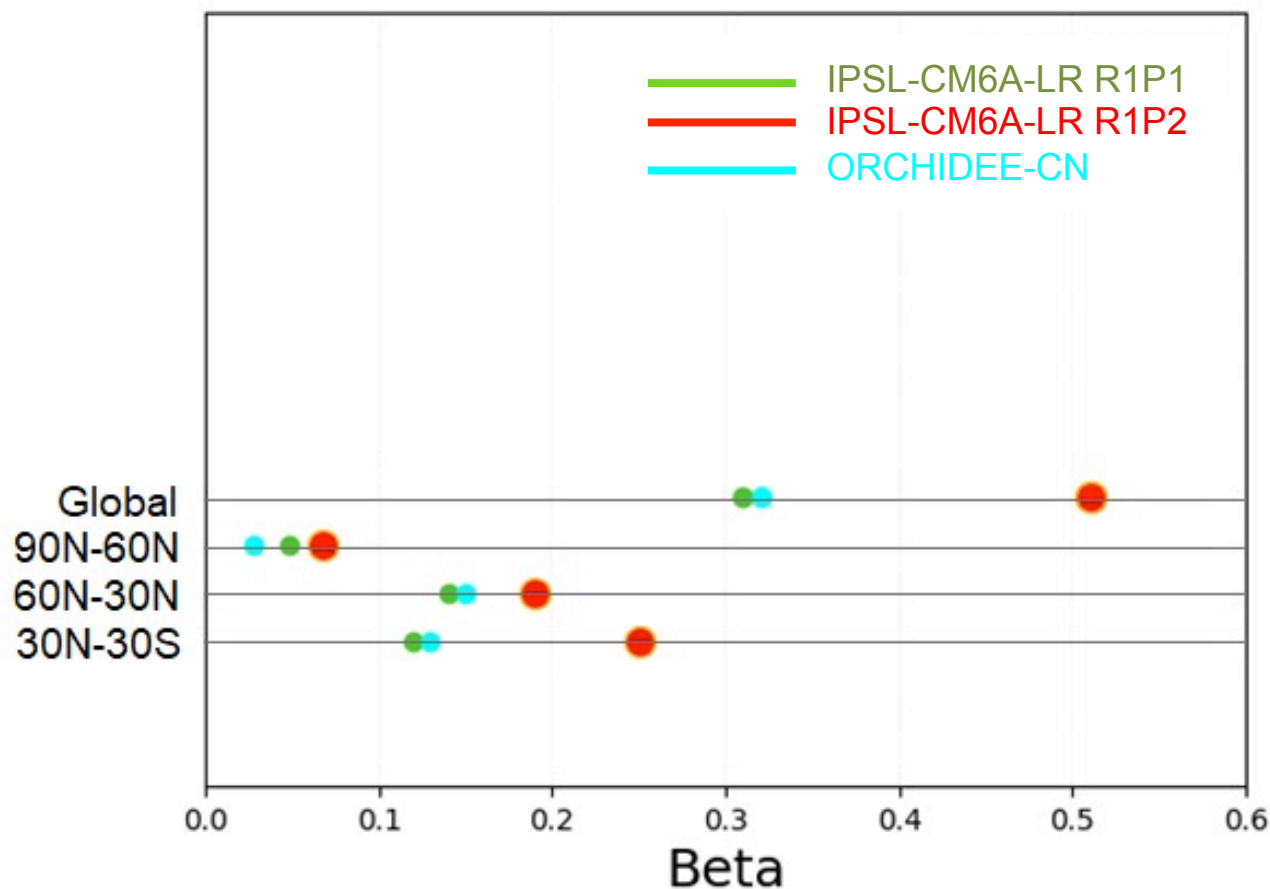
⇒ Very different
behaviour between
P2 & P1
downregulation
parametrizations !

IPSL-CM6A-LR r1P2

IPSL-CM6A-LR r1P1

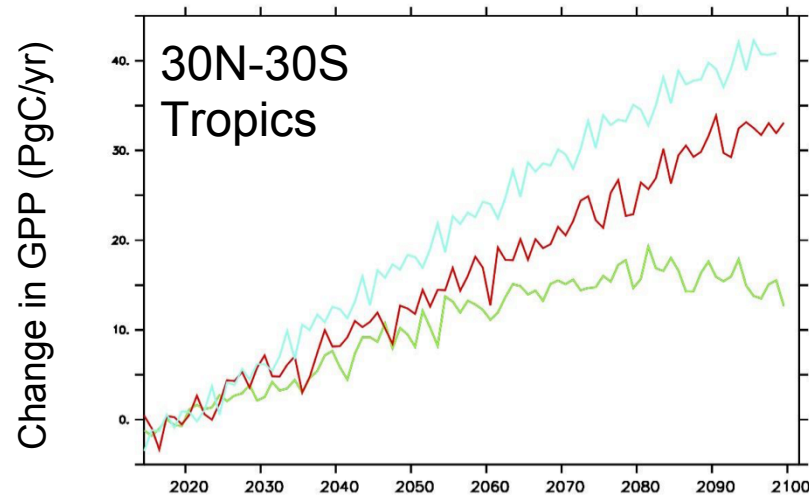
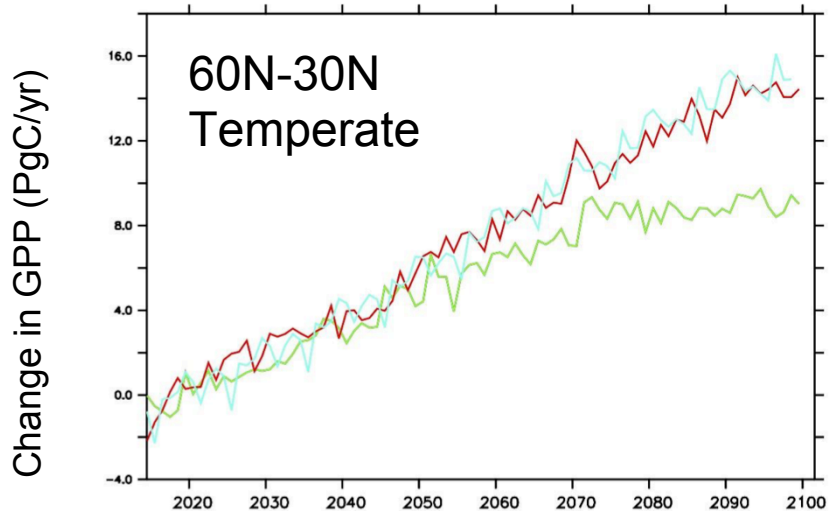
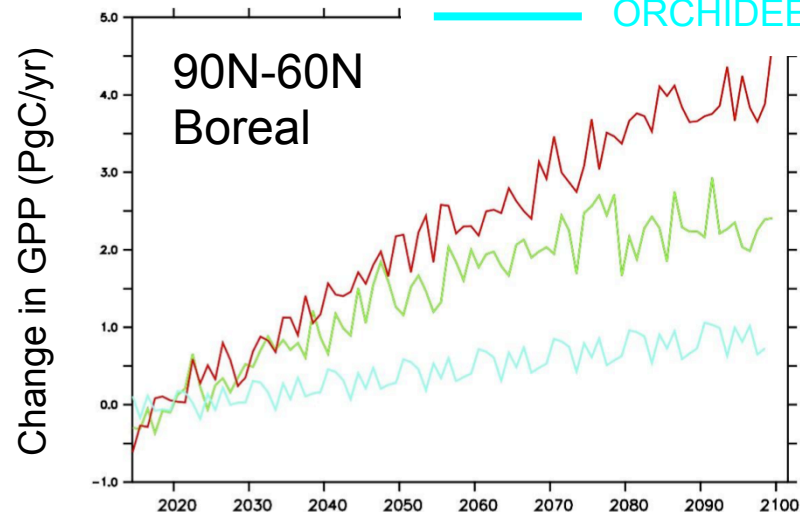
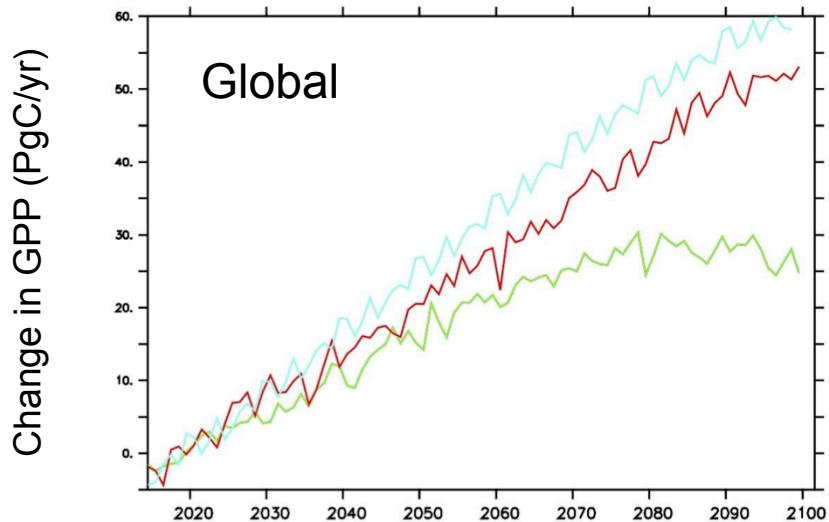
With the Nitrogen Cycle: SSP5-8.5

Carbon-concentration feedback over land (Beta factor)
for the period 2015 - 2100



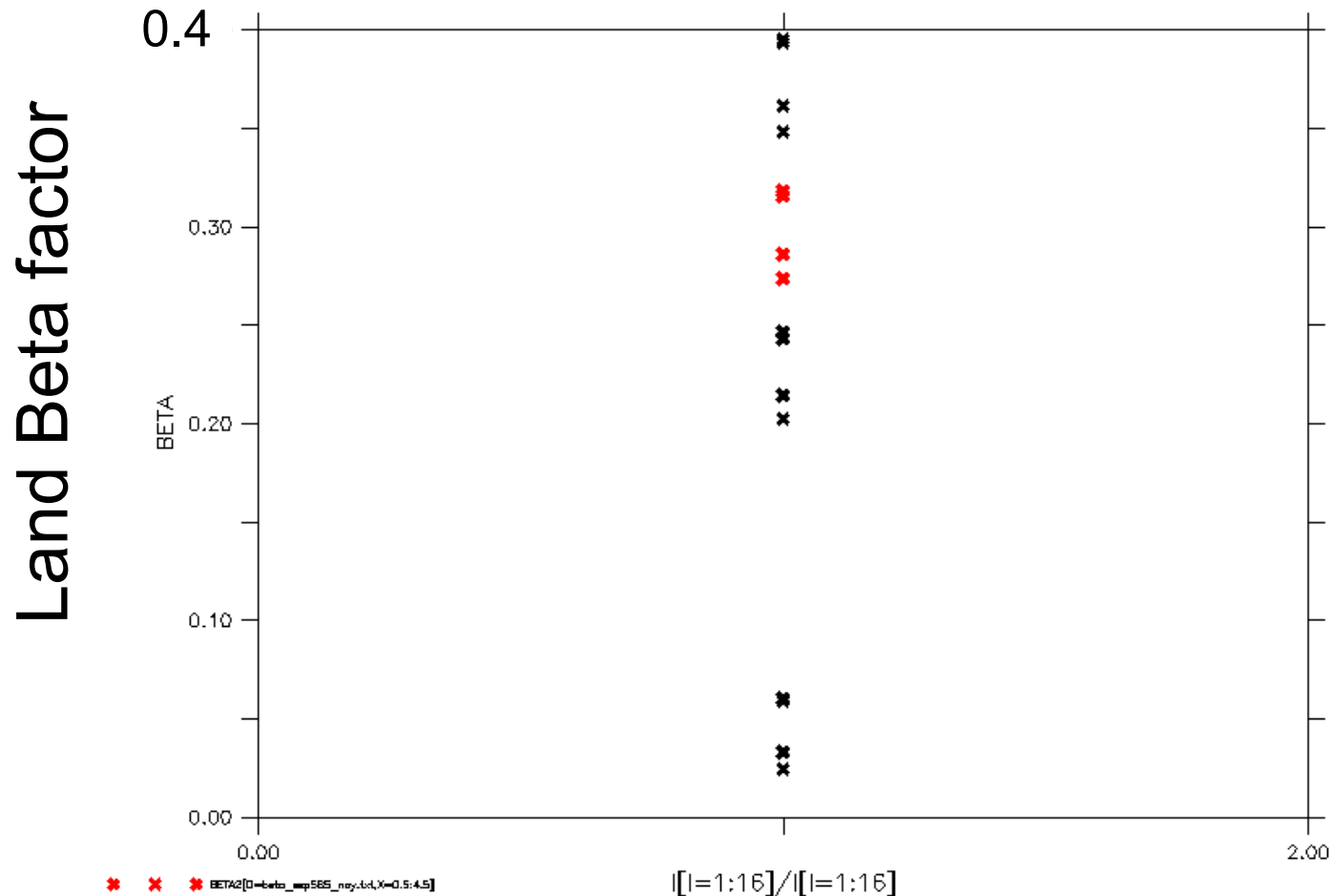
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ORCHIDEE-CN



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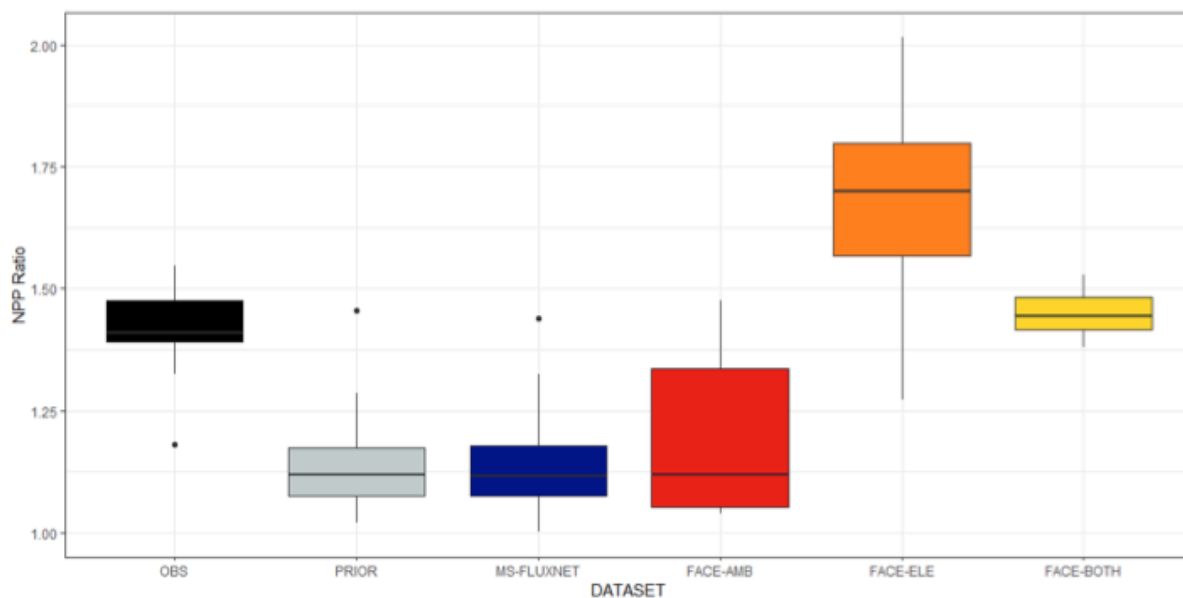
→ Defferent beta factors using SSP5-8.5 CO2 trajectory but various Land Cover change , NHx / **NOY** deposition, Fertilisation



Using FACE data to further constrain β

- Optimisation of ORCHIDEE params at FACE sites (Oak Rige & Duke)
- ~ 20 params optimised against annual NPP data and LAI data

DUKE : NPP Ratio: NPP Elevated / NPP Ambient



⇒ ORCHIDEE - CN
Prior underestimates
the change of NPP with
doubling CO₂

⇒ NEED to optimise
against both Ambient
and Elevated CO₂ data
to fit the observed NPP
ratio

Obs

Prior

FluxNet
optim.

Ambient
optim

Elevated
optim

Both
optim

Summary....

- CO2 fertilisation is still not “robustly modeled”
(at least in ORCHIDEE model)
- Using two statistical downregulation formulation can lead to very different “beta factors”
- Using a process-based Nitrogen cycle will decrease the land beta factor of IPSL model
- But it will also change the spatial distribution of the relative contribution of each ecosystem to “beta”
- Optimising the model responses with FACE data seems a way forward ! (but only a few set of sites !)
- BUT GPP / NPP increase does not mean more C storage !
(root exudate, ...)

ORCHIDEE Biogeochemical development related to Crescendo !

ORCHIDEE TRUNK

ORCHIDEE - OCN

ORCHIDEE "Forest" Branch

ORCHIDEE High lat. Branch

CRESCENDO

Contribution:

- N cycle
- Permafrost
- Forest dynamic

ESM2025 start

