Modulation of the winter atmospheric response to Arctic sea-ice loss by the Pacific decadal variability

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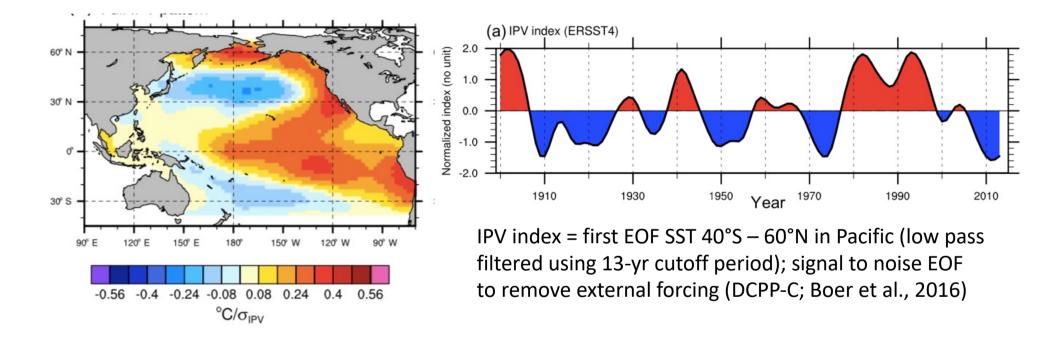




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Introduction

Interdecadal Pacific Variability (IPV)



What are the links between the teleconnections associated to the IPV and the Arctic sea ice changes?

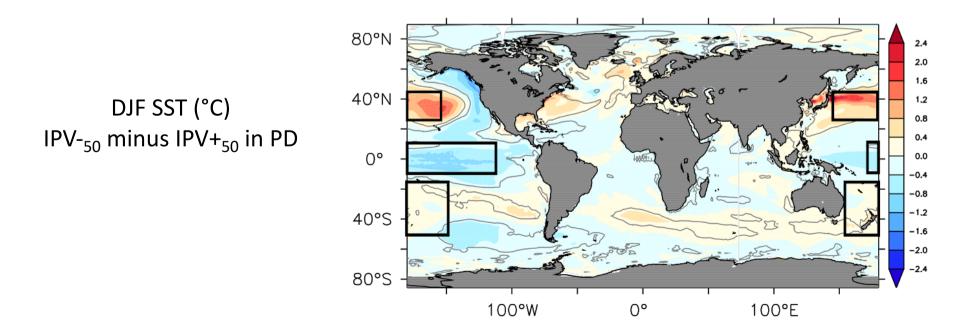
- > Screen and Francis (2016) show that PDO modulates the response to Artic sea ice loss in observation and models.

Methodology

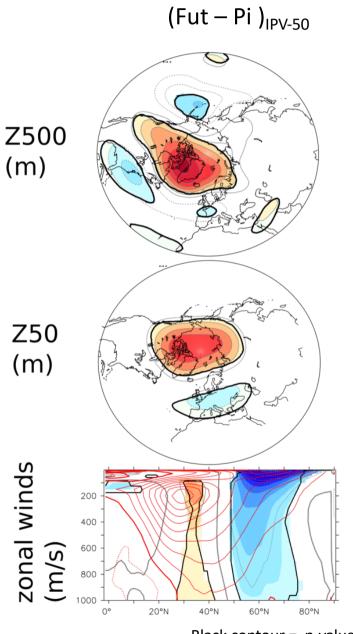
Coupled time-slice experiments with PAMIP forcings using the **IPSL-CM6A-LR** model (atm 2.5°x1.3° L75 / top at 0.01hPa; oce 1° L79): 14 month, external forcing from 2000, and sea-ice concentration constrained. 200 members each.

- -> pdSIC or **PD** = present day sea ice from PAMIP
- -> piArcSIC or **PI** = preindustrial sea ice from PAMIP
- -> futArcSIC or **Fut** = future sea ice from PAMIP

Initialisation from existing historical runs (CMIP6, 32 historical) : 200 start dates selected within 1990-2010 based on low pass filtered IPV and AMV indices.

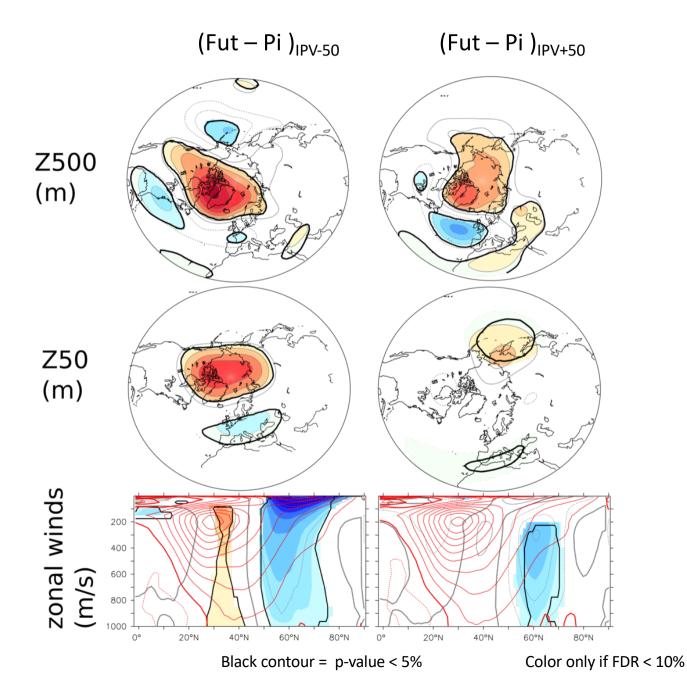


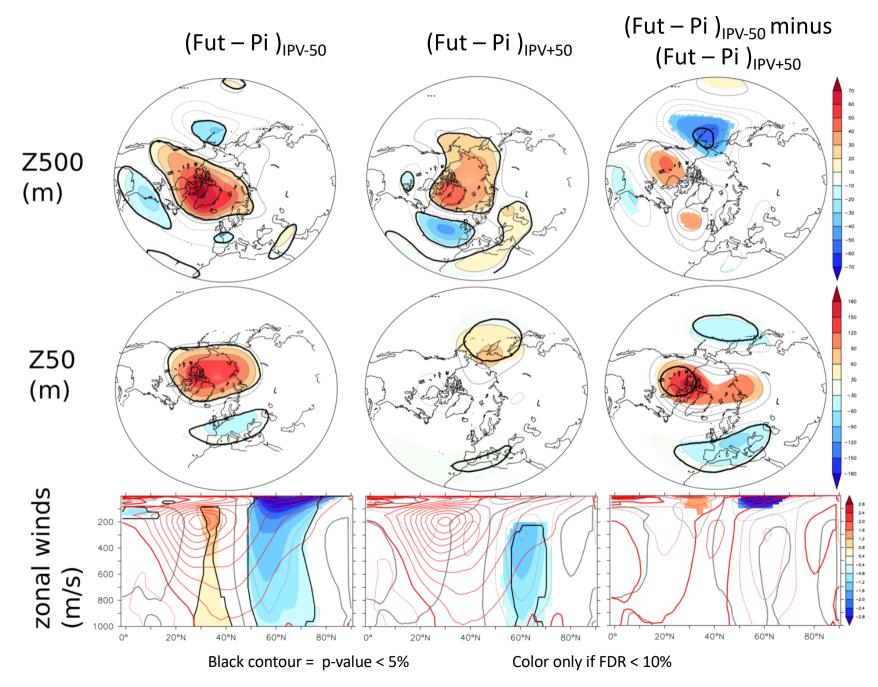
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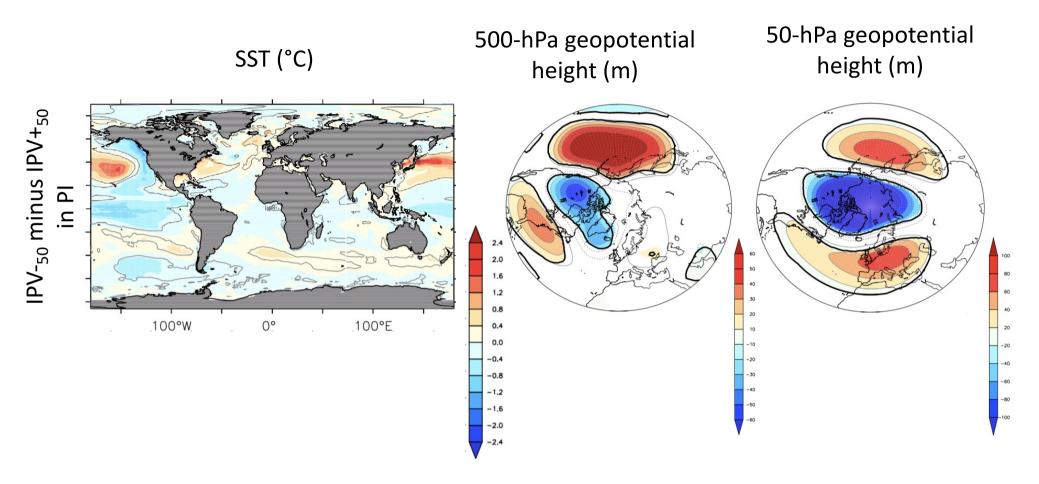
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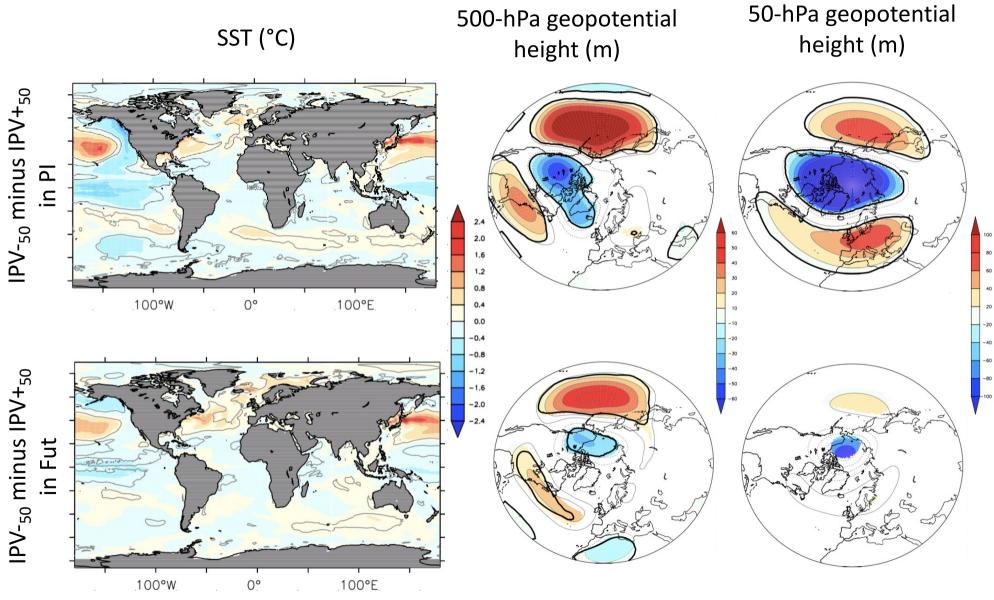


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IPV Teleconnections



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Discussion

Main results :

The IPV might have a model dependent influence on the Arctic – midlatitude linkages. IPSL-CM6A-LR illustrates for negative IPV phases:

- a slightly larger tropospheric response (as in Screen and Francis 2016),
- a weaker stratospheric polar vortex.

Questions :

- Apply the analysis previously shown to other models. Are the links found robust?
- Assess whether the IPV teleconnections realistic in IPSL-CM6A-LR?
- Link with ENSO?
- What is the non-linearity of the ENSO/IPV teleconnection? Does it explain the difference AGCM / AOGCM in PAMIP experiments?



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