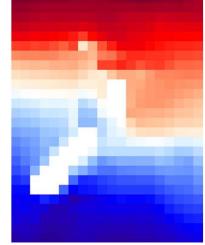


Earth system modelling on the Cray XC50

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The Deep South Challenge

Objective from Cabinet

To understand the role of the Antartic and Southern Ocean in determining our climate and our future environment.



The Deep South Challenge

This Challenge will enable New Zealanders to adapt, manage risk, and thrive in a changing climate.

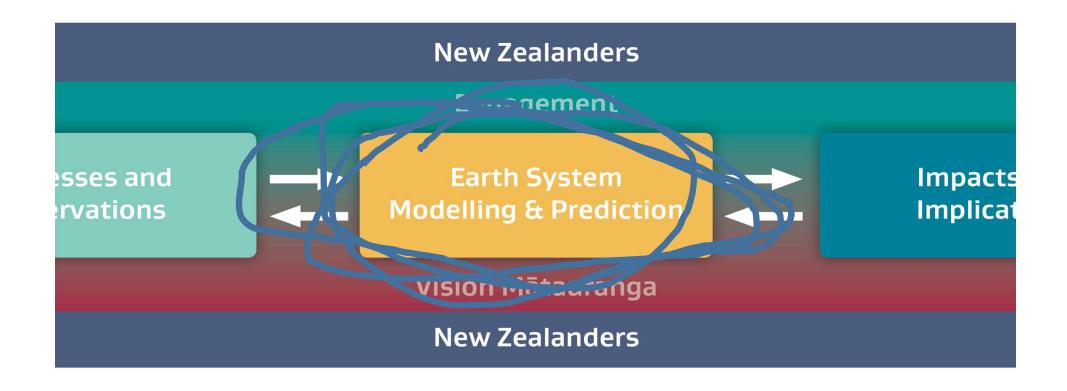
... Working with our communities and industry, we will guide planning and policy to enhance resilience and exploit opportunities. This will be built on improved predictions of future climate, supported by new understanding of Antarctic and Southern Ocean processes. The Challenge will focus on the effects of a changing climate on key climate sensitive economic sectors, infrastructure and natural resources.



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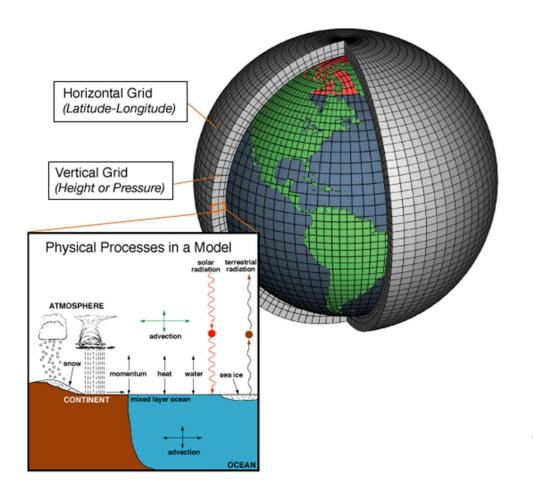


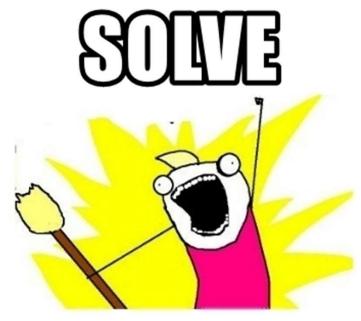
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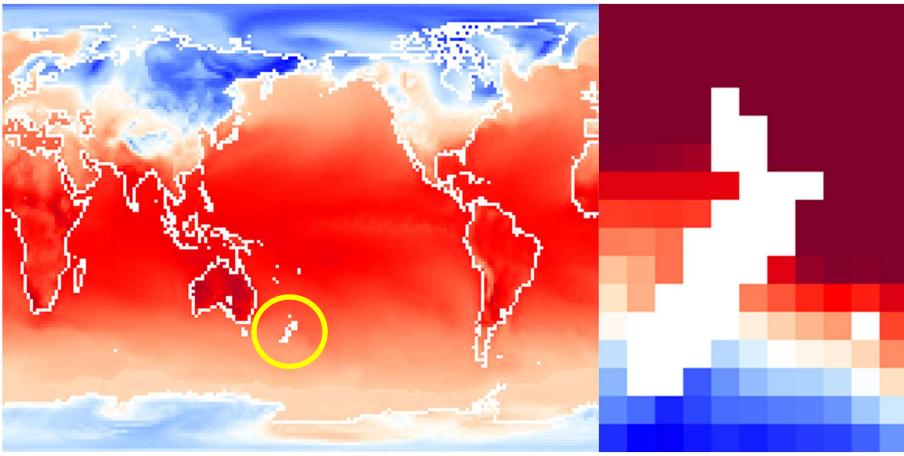






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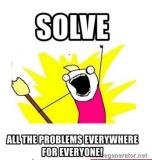


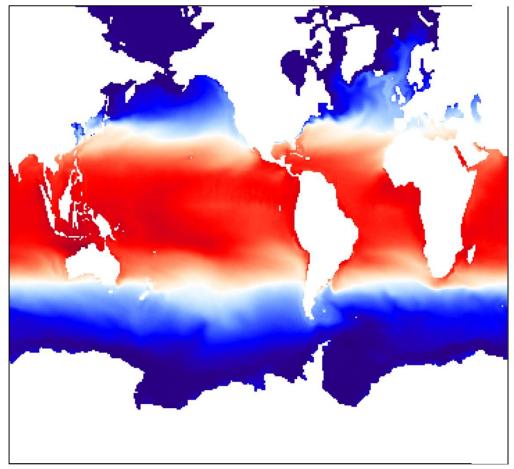


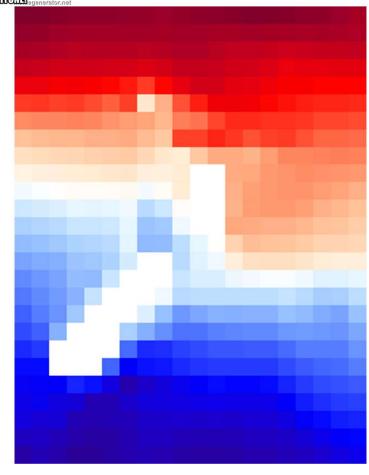




ocean models















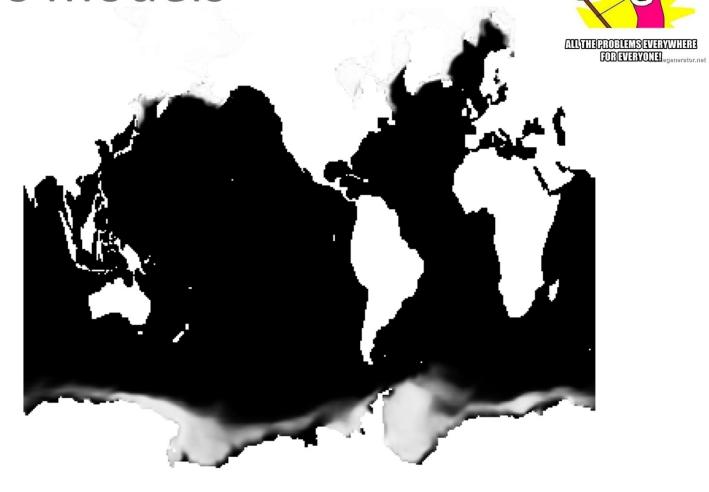








sea ice models













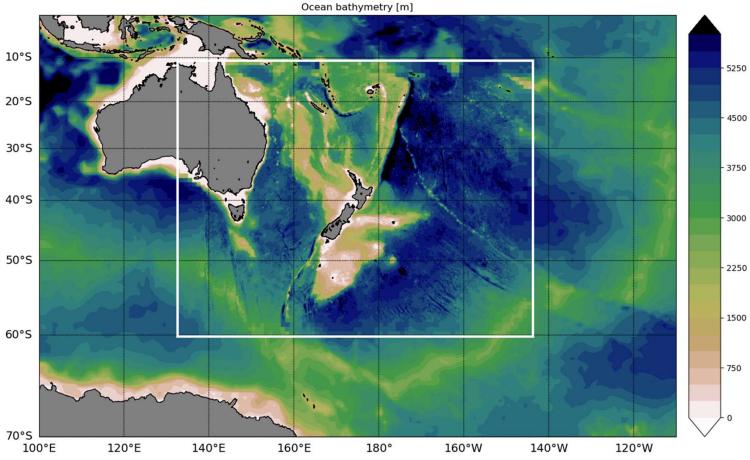






nested ocean models











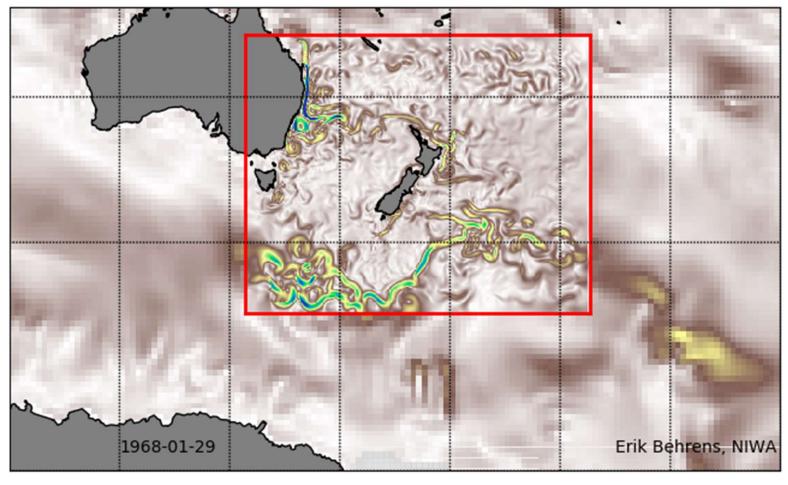






























enabled complexity

- using the recently decommissioned fitzroy platform, models as complex as these could simply not be run
 - too few processors
 - not enough memory















aerchemmip

- we will be running simulations as part of the aerosol chemistry model intercomparison project
- this will be part of nz's contribution to the next assessment report of the intergovernmental panel on climate change





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AerChemMIP: quantifying the effects of chemistry and aerosols in CMIP6

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Abstract. The Aerosol Chemistry Model Intercomparison Project (AerChemMIP) is endorsed by the Coupled-Model Intercomparison Project 6 (CMIP6) and is designed to quantify the climate and air quality impacts of aerosols and chemically reactive gases. These are specifically near-term climate forcers (NTCFs: methane, tropospheric ozone and aerosols, and their precursors), nitrous oxide and ozonedepleting halocarbons. The aim of AerChemMIP is to answer four scientific questions.

- How have anthropogenic emissions contributed to global radiative forcing and affected regional climate over the historical period?
- 2. How might future policies (on climate, air quality and land use) affect the abundances of NTCFs and their climate impacts?
- 3. How do uncertainties in historical NTCF emissions affect radiative forcing estimates?
- How important are climate feedbacks to natural NTCF emissions, atmospheric composition, and radiative efforce?

These questions will be addressed through targeted simulations with CMIP6 climate models that include an interactive representation of tropospheric acrosols and atmospheric chemistry. These simulations build on the CMIP6 Diagnostic, Evaluation and Characterization of Klima (DECK) experiments, the CMIP6 historical simulations, and future projections performed elsewhere in CMIP6, allowing the contributions from aerosols and/or chemistry to be quantified. Specific diagnostics are requested as part of the CMIP6 data request to highlight the chemical composition of the atmosphere, to evaluate the performance of the models, and to understand differences in behaviour between them.

1 Introduction

1.1 Motivation for AerChemMIP

Aerosols and chemically reactive gases in the atmosphere can exert important influences on global and regional air quality and climate. Scientific questions and uncertainties regarding chemistry-climate interactions are relevant to regional-scale climate change (e.g. tropospheric ozone and

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model validation

• yes we can run the models, but are they meaningful?





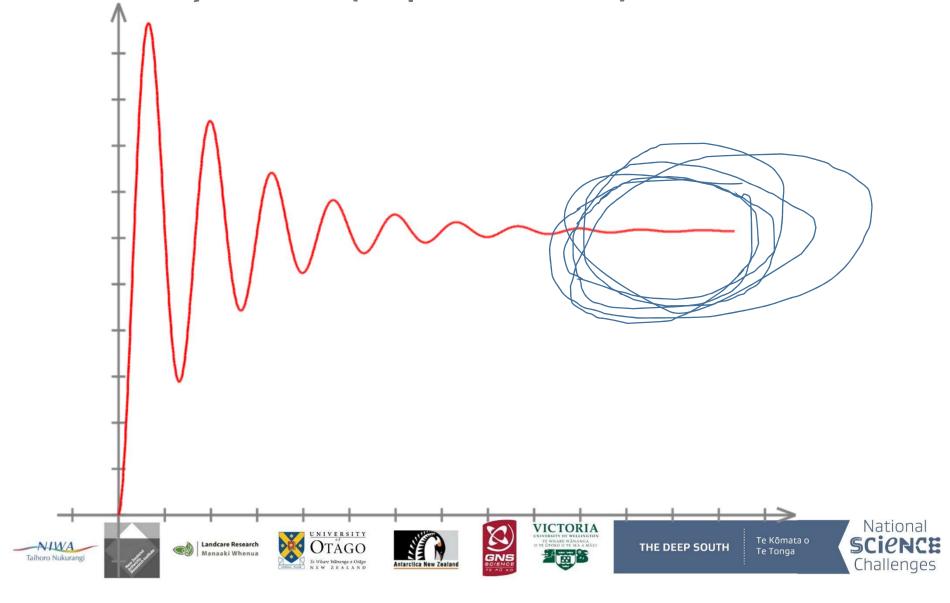


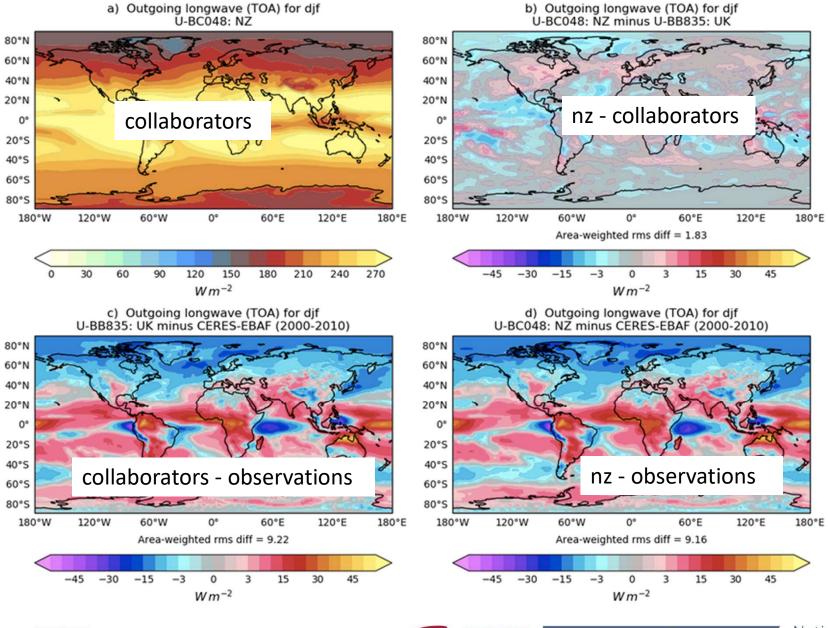






steady state (equilibrium) results









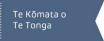






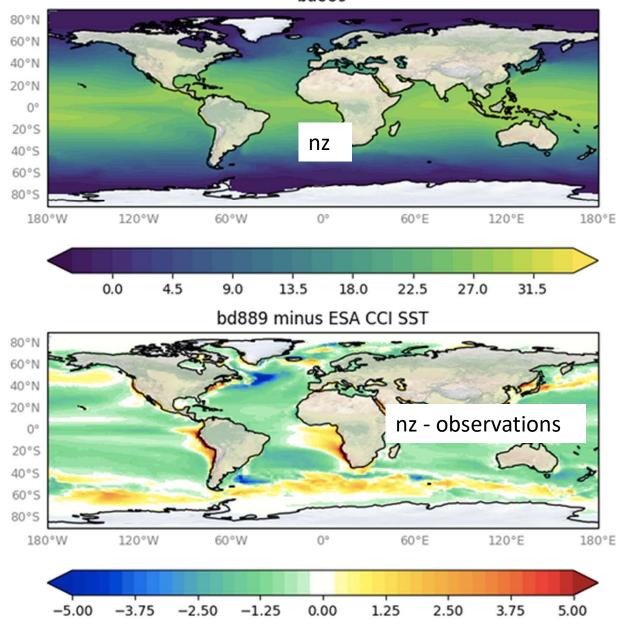








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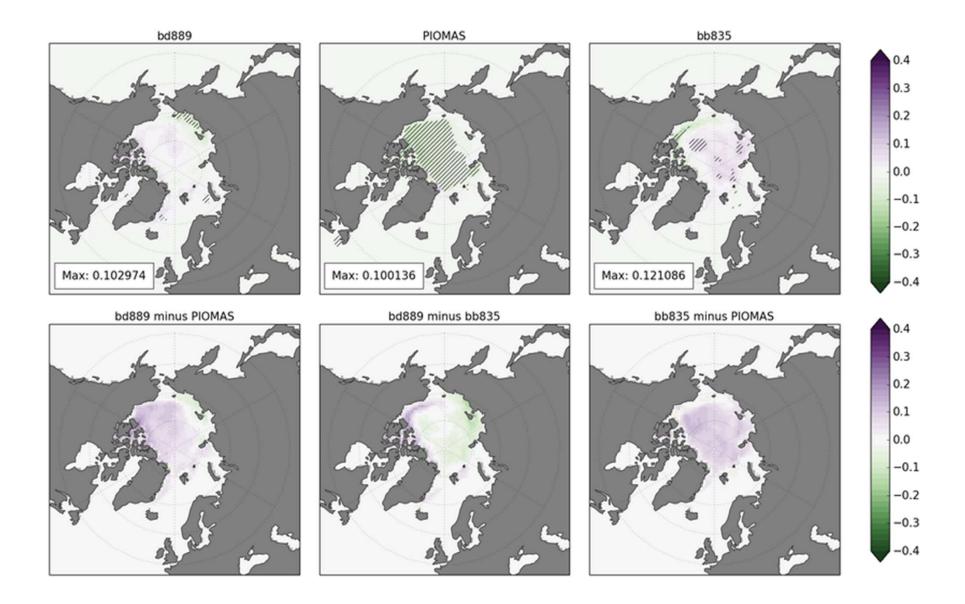




















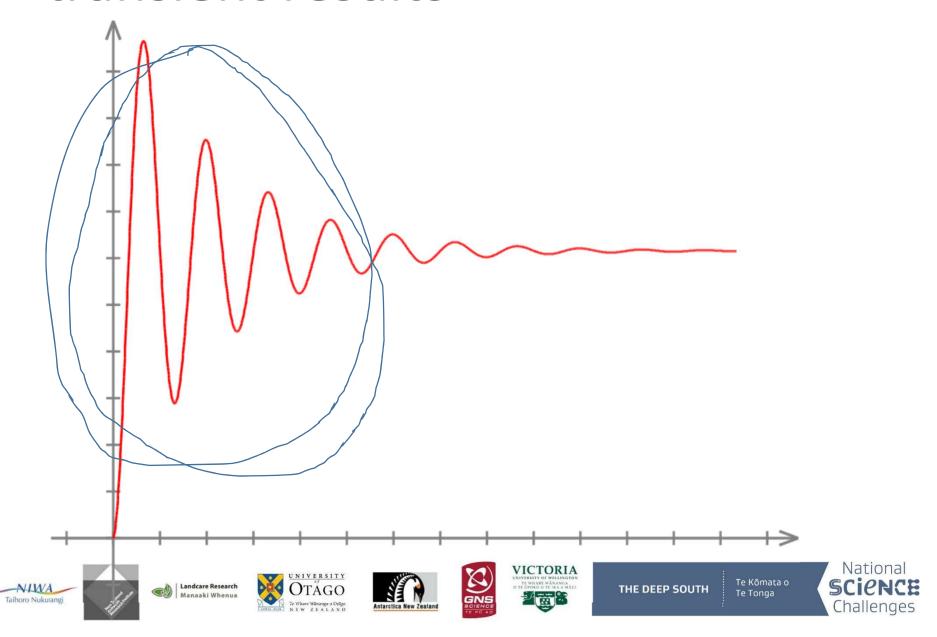








transient results



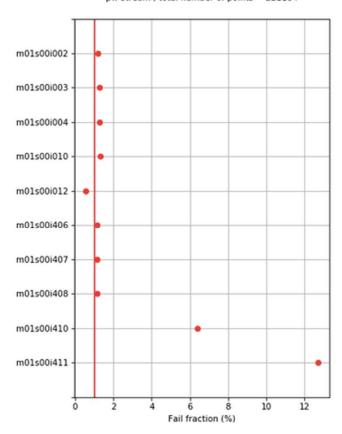


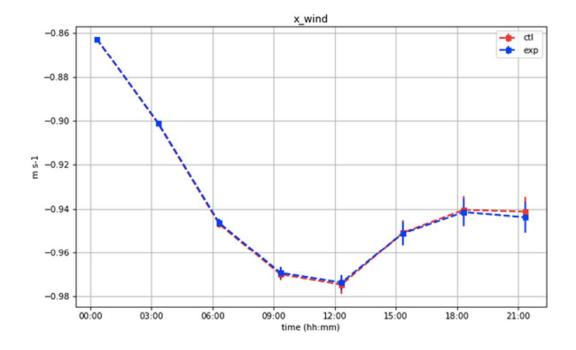
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summary

- in the earth system modelling space, we are making good use of nz's newly available compute resource!
- we are also heavily involved with earth system model validation, also using the new nesi platforms
- our results are in agreement with our international collaborators; an essential first step in porting meteorological models to new platforms
- we will be running simulations as part of the next intergovernmental panel on climate change assessment report

















Thank you



















