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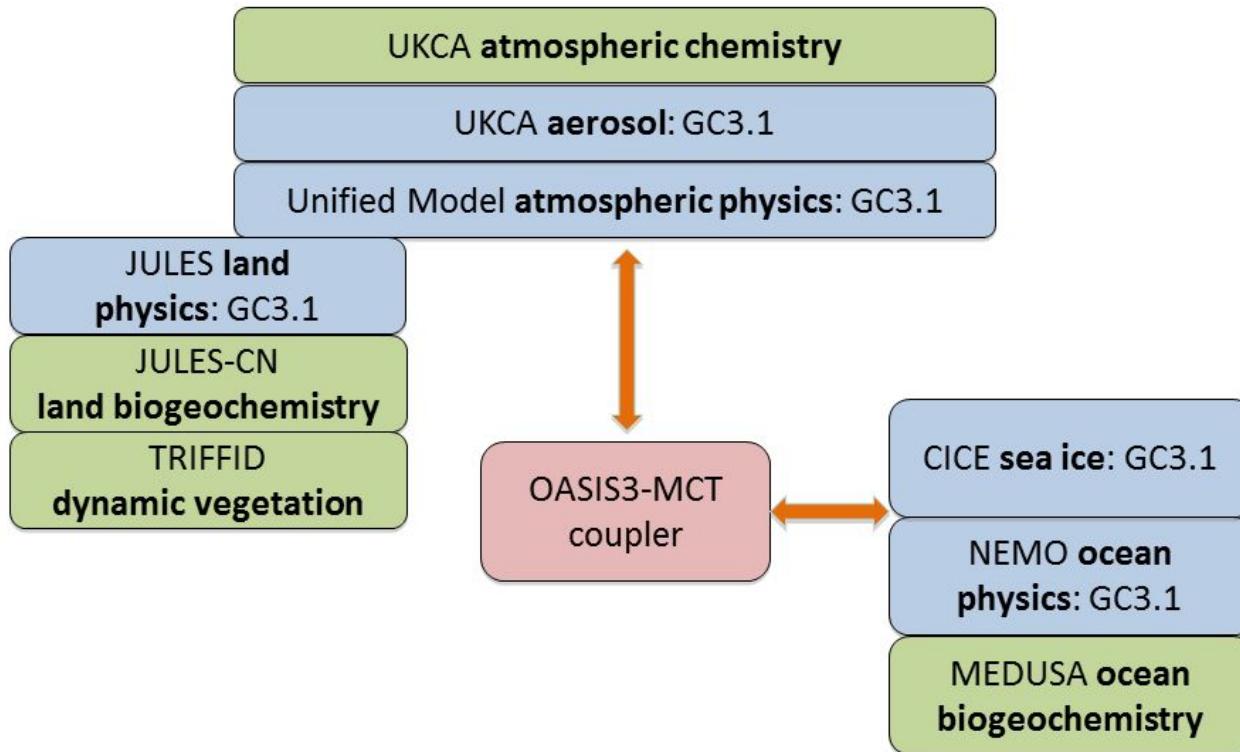
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Model Tuning

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“Steel” Grass

How “bendy” the
grass is under the
weight of snow



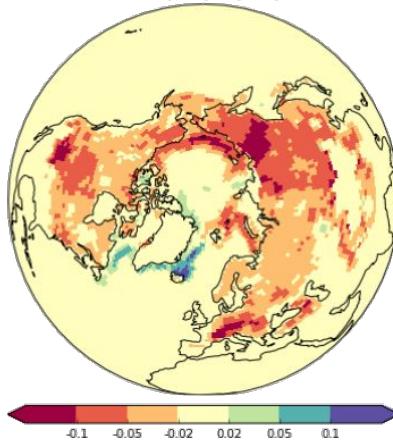
“Rubber” Grass

Model Tuning parameterization



“Steel” - “Rubber”

Albedo

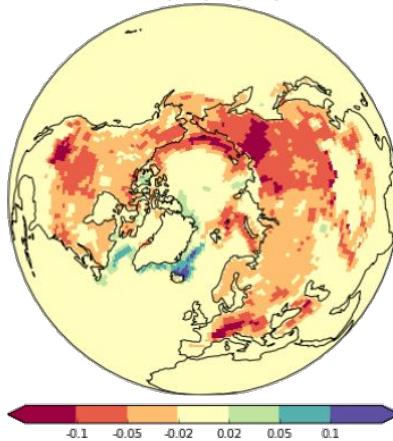


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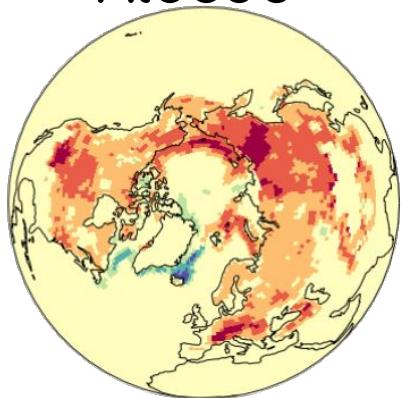


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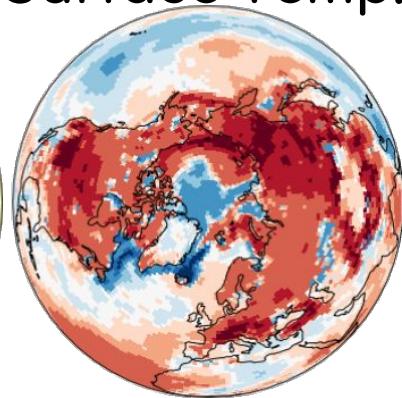
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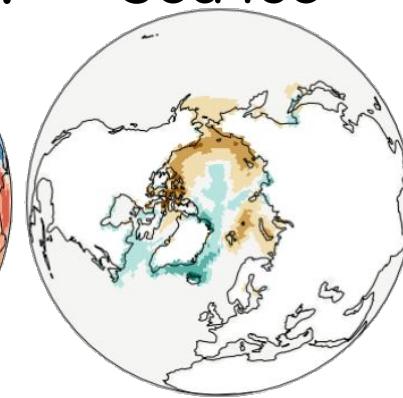
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Surface Temp.



-10 -5 -1 -0.5 0.1 0.5 1 5 10

Sea Ice



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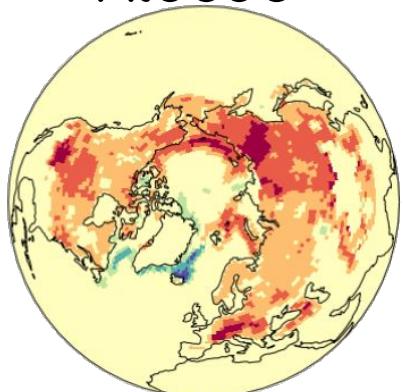
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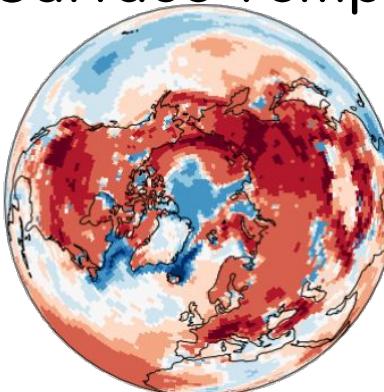


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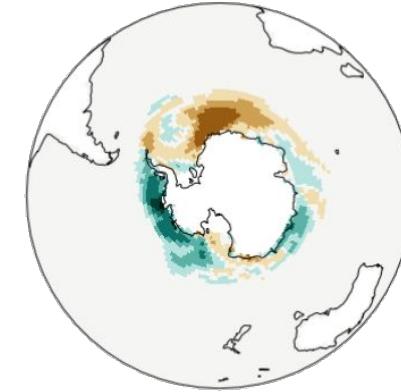
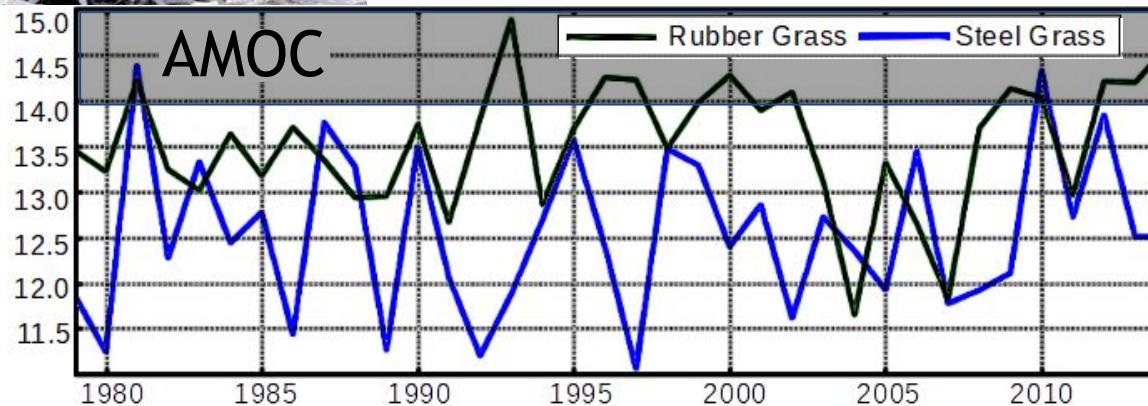
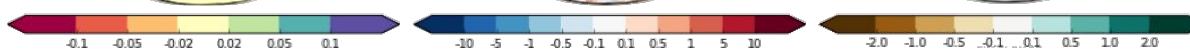
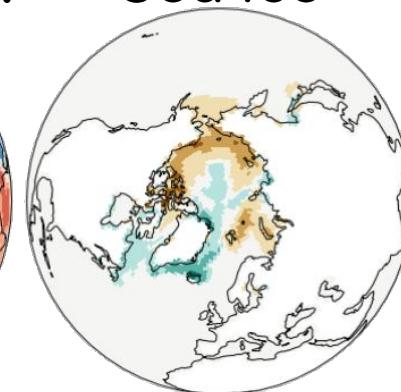
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- Model specific observational constraints on parameters can be hard to find.
- Bayesian inference can be used to find range of plausible parameter values.

Albedo Schemes

Today:

- Simple albedo scheme (Best et al. 2011)

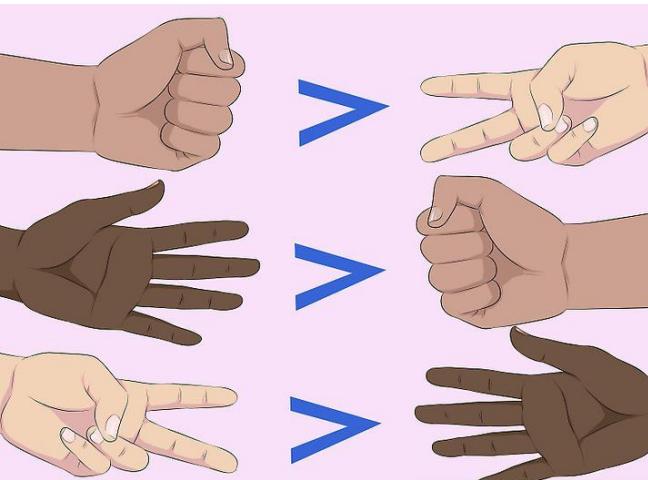
For UKESM:

- Spectral albedo scheme (Sellers 1985)
- Snow-veg albedo interactions

Using Bayes Theorem

$$P(A \mid B) \propto P(A) \cdot P(B \mid A)$$

Using Bayes Theorem to win at Rock Paper Scissors



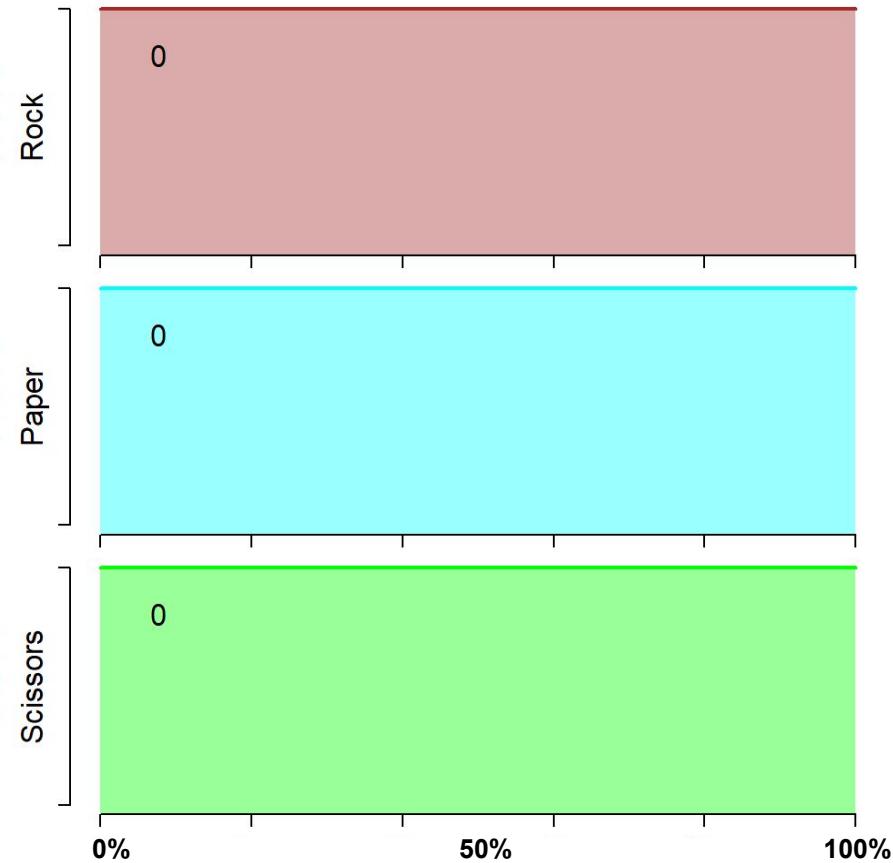
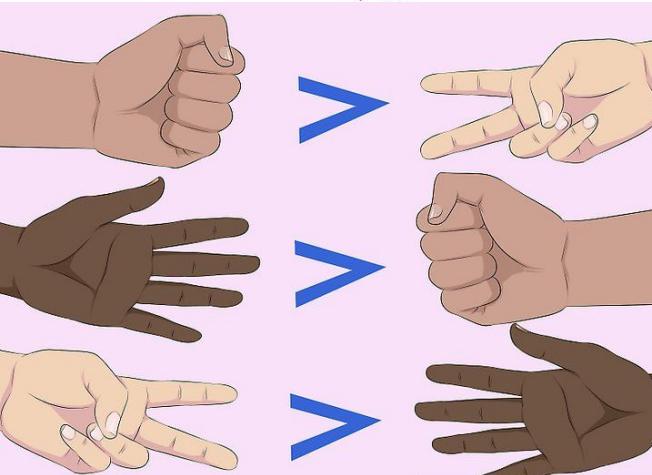
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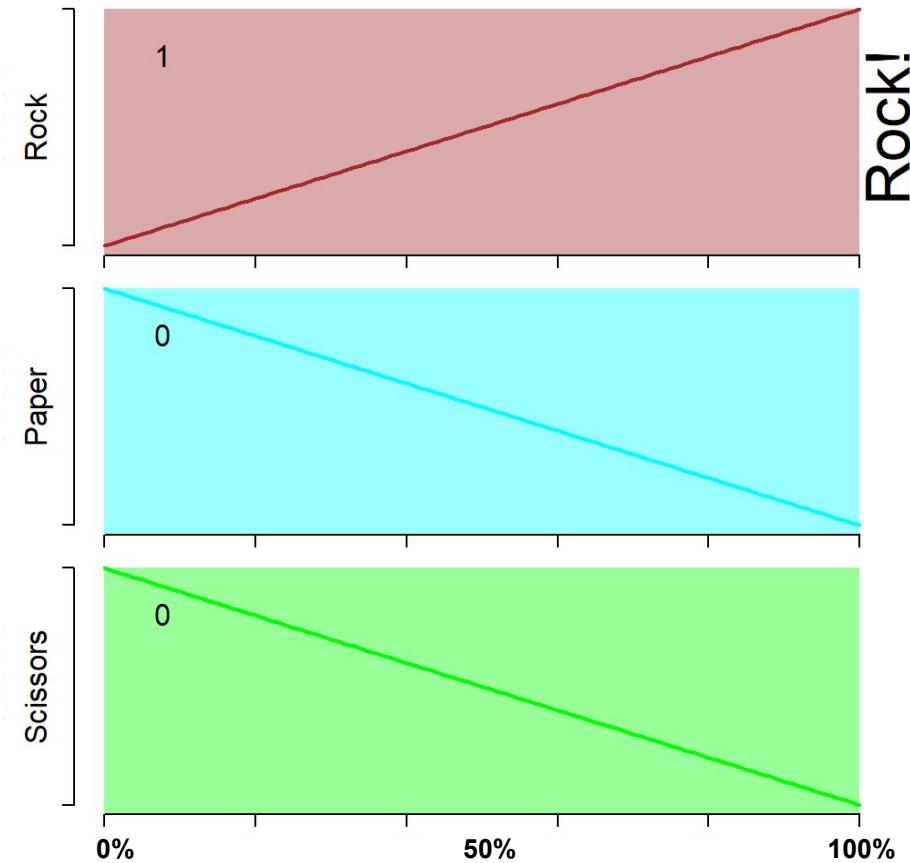
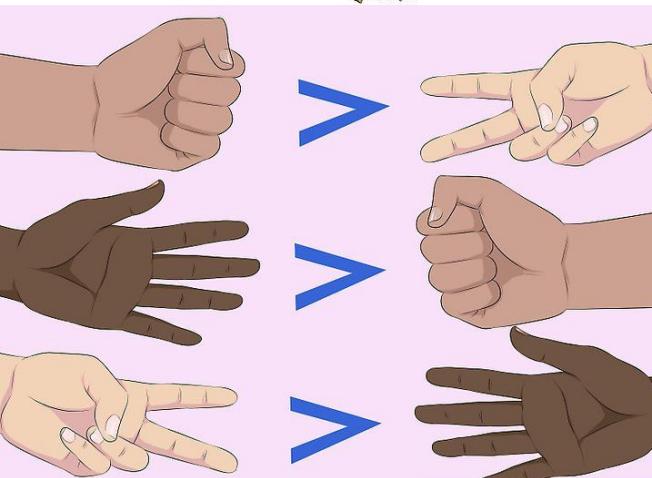


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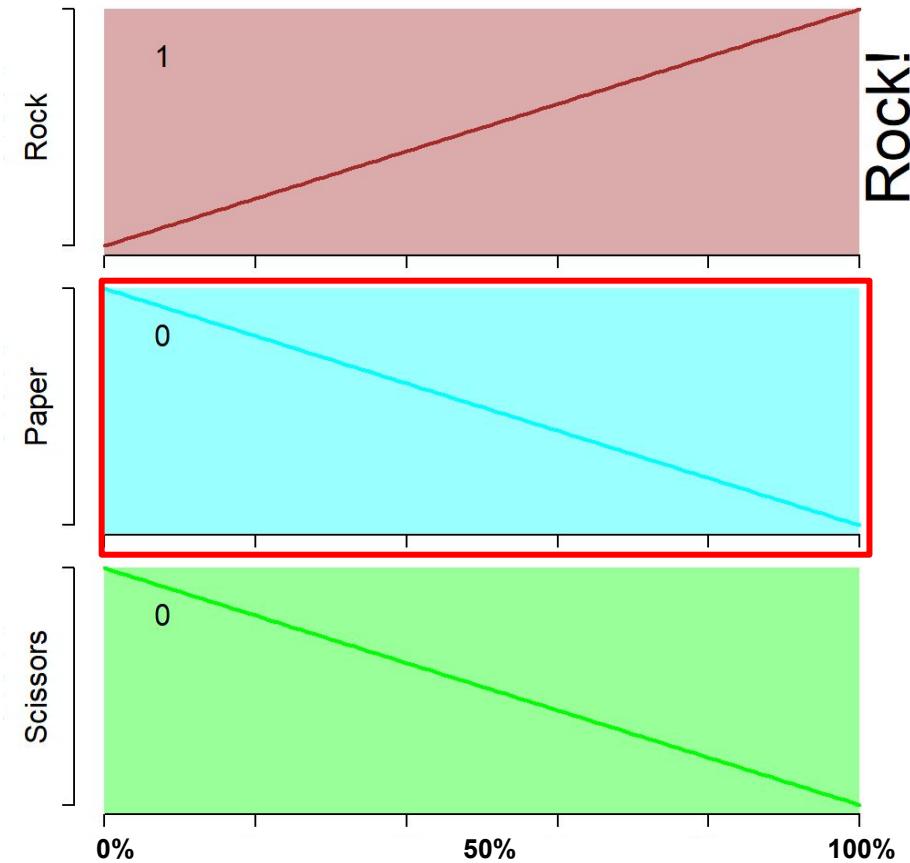
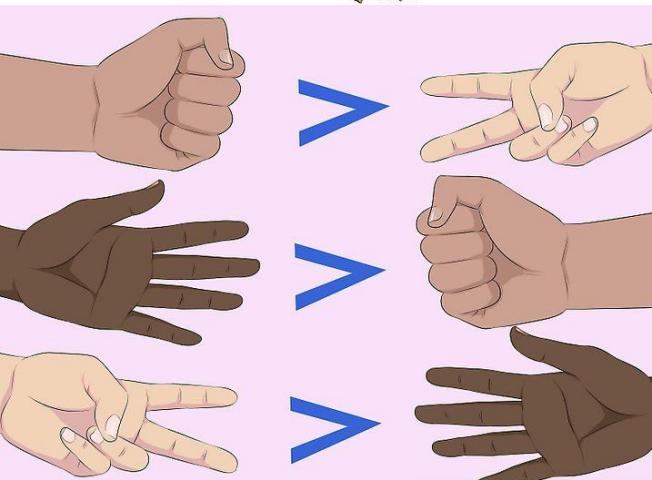
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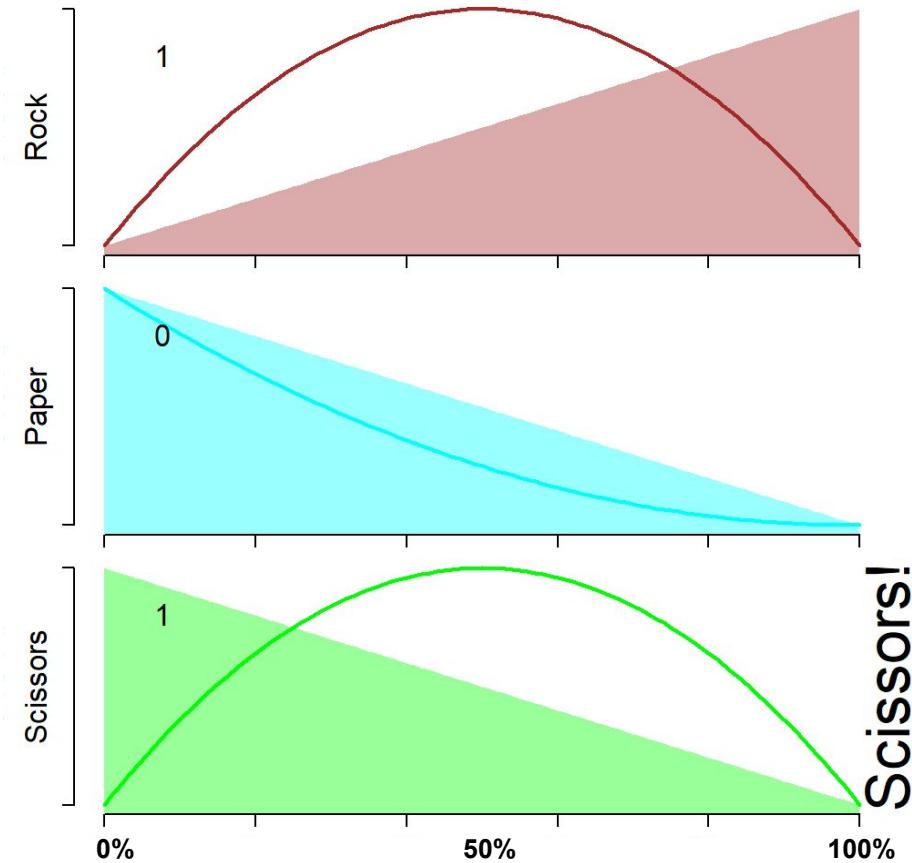
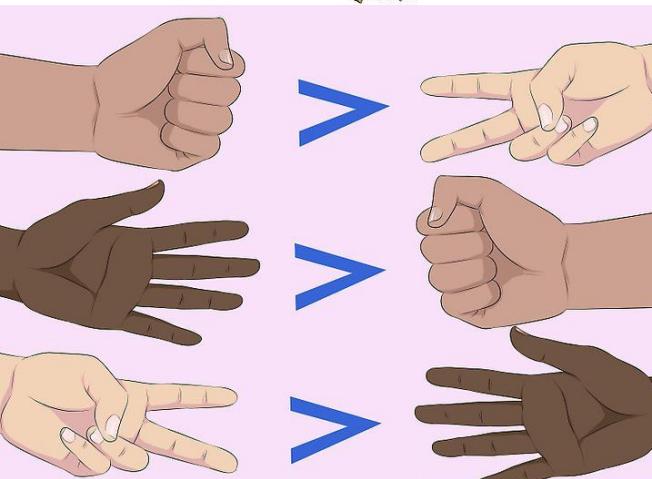
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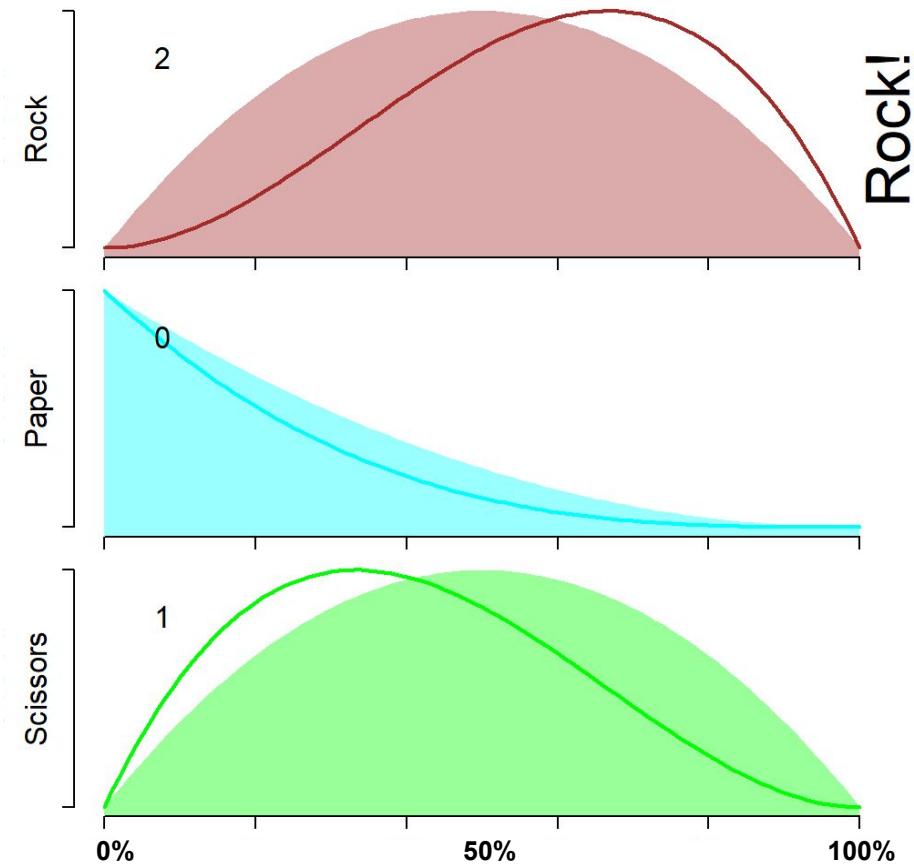
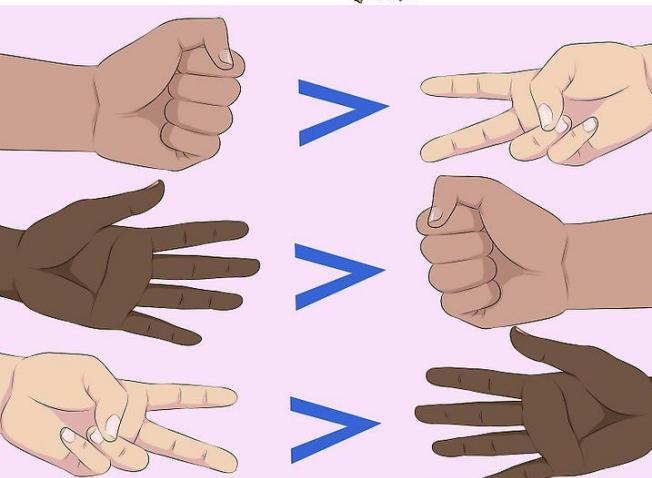
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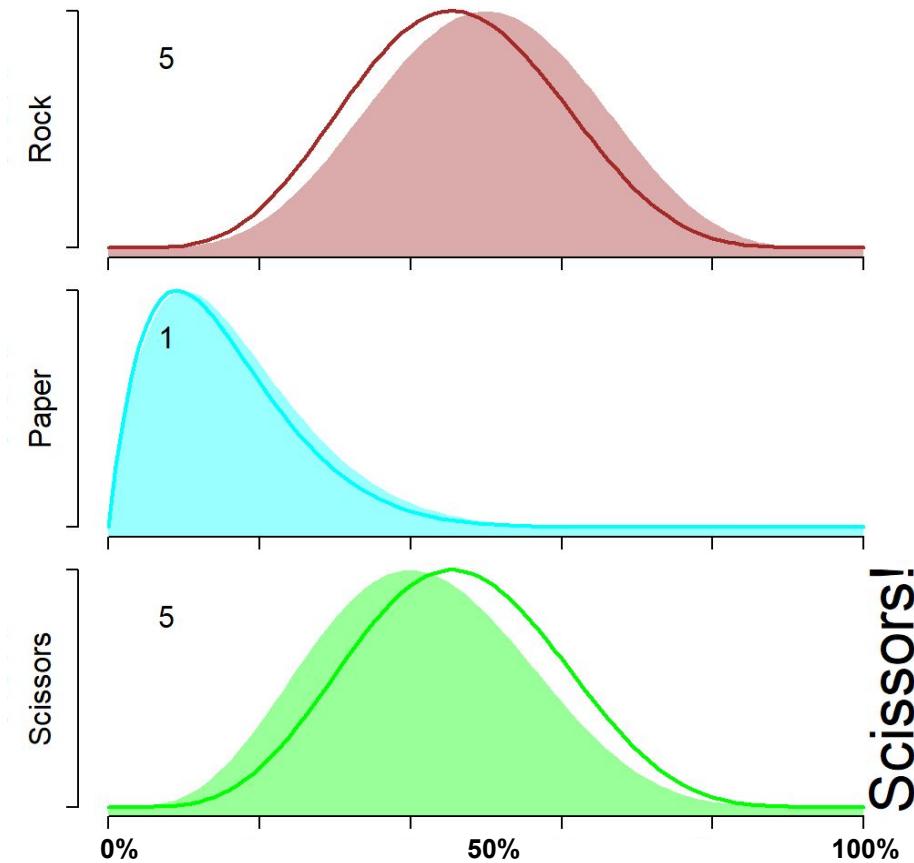
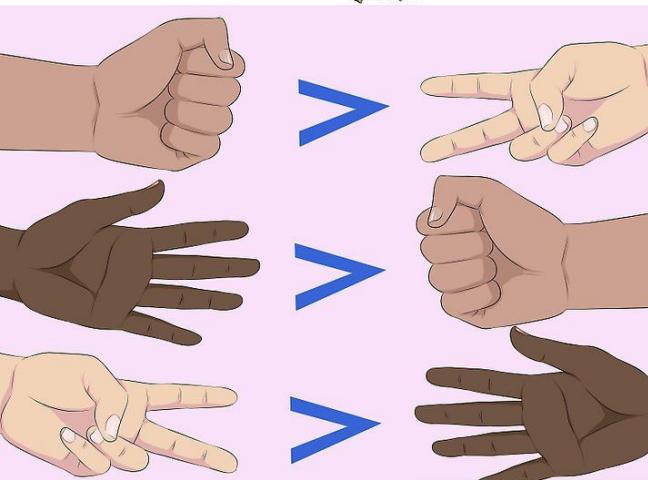
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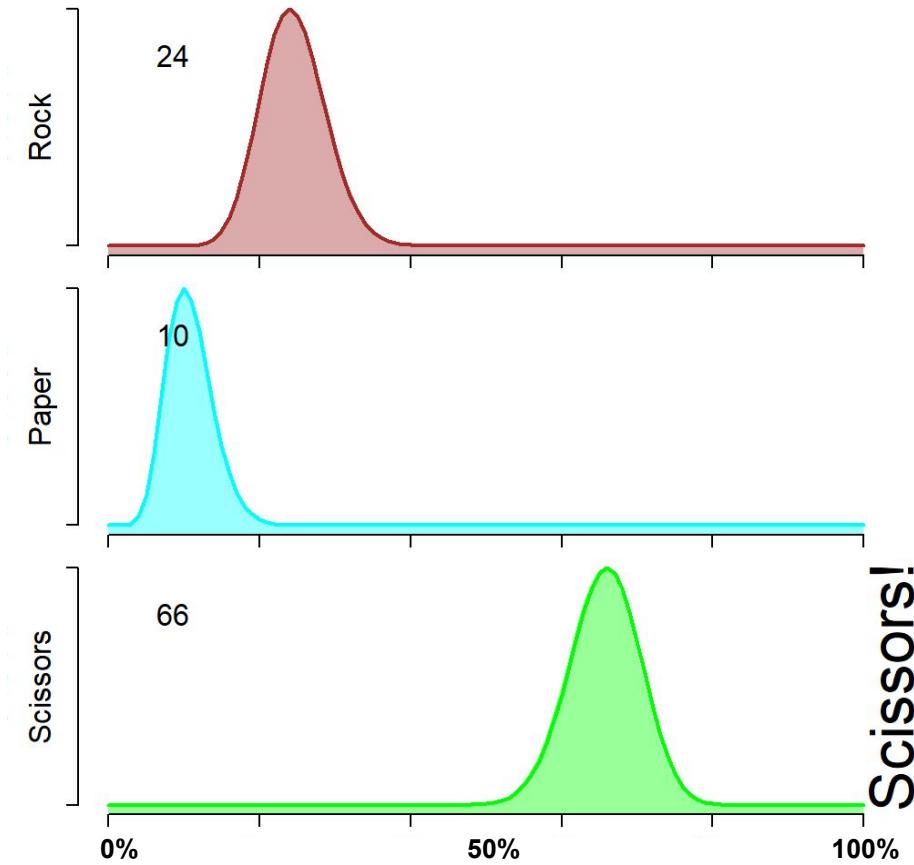
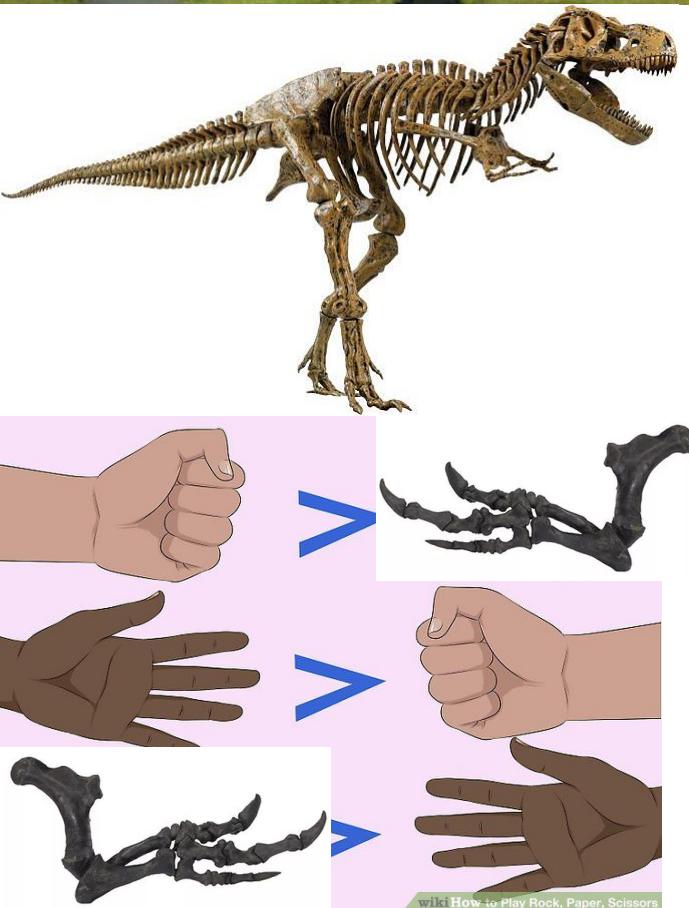
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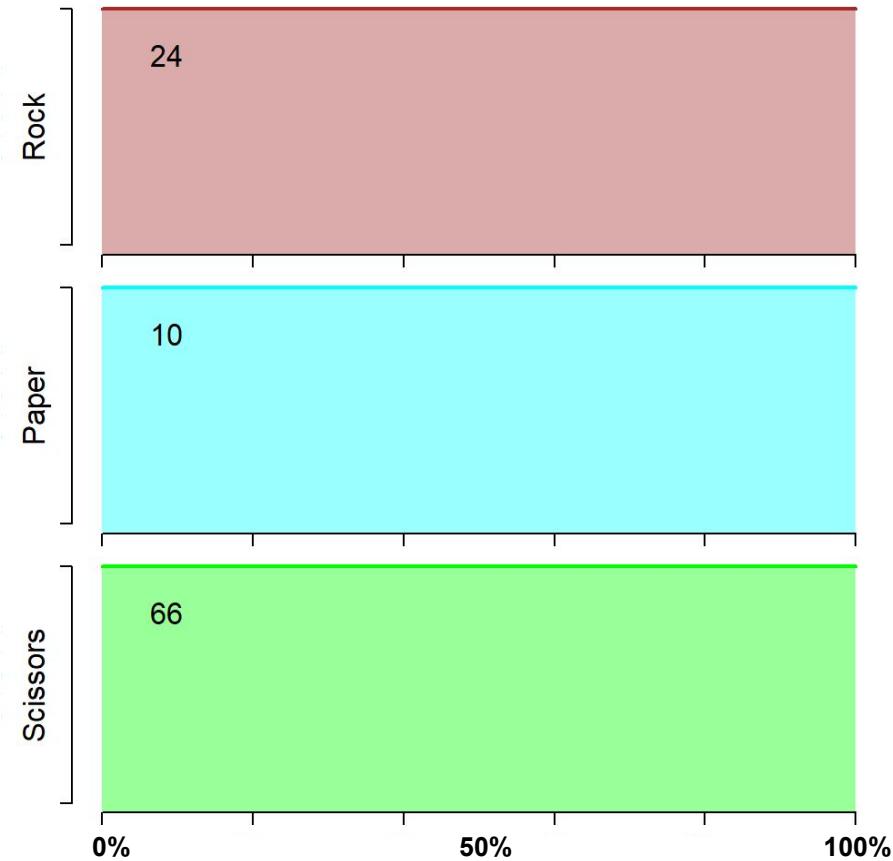
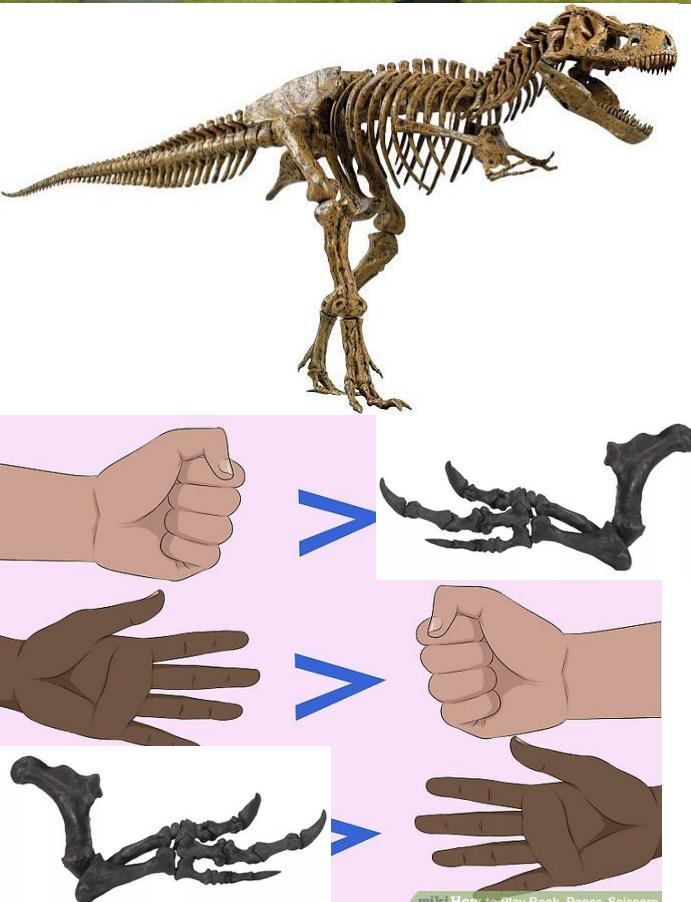
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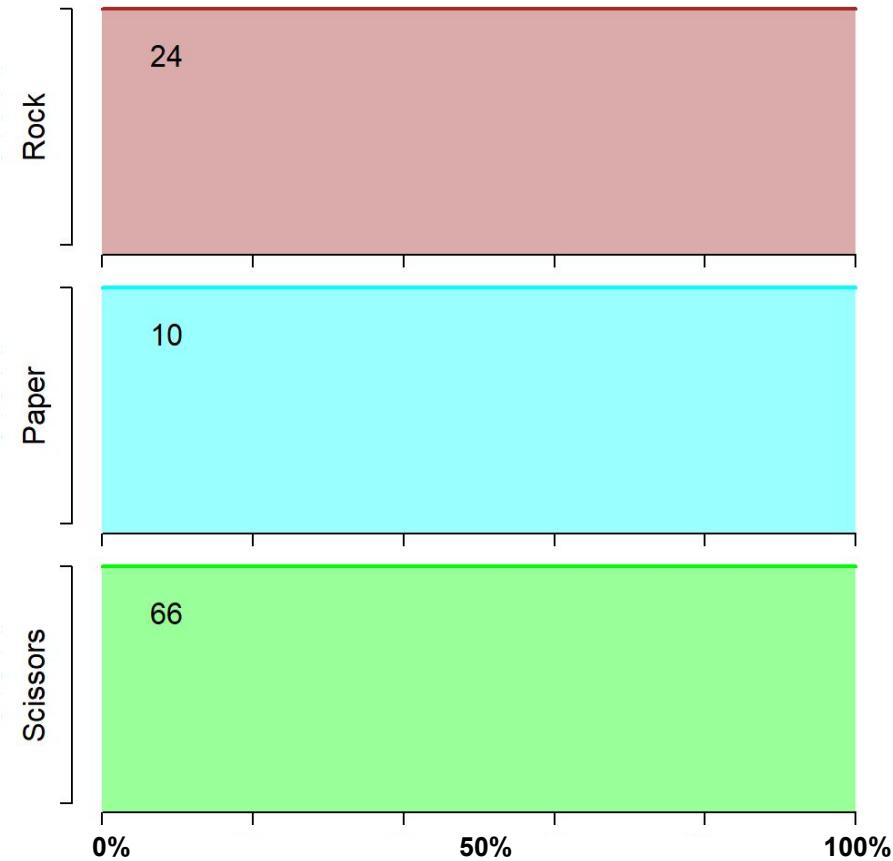
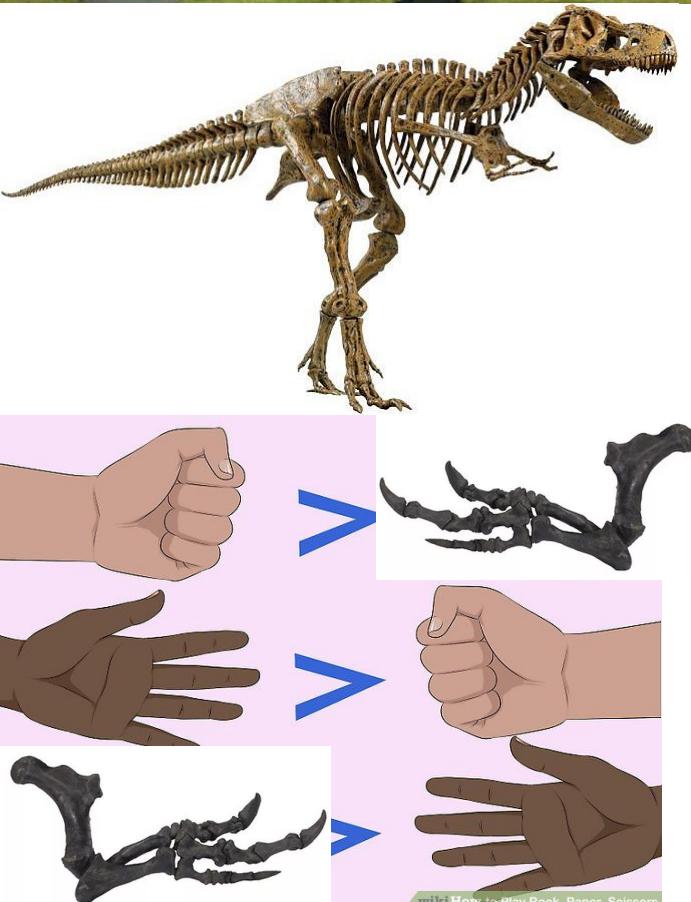
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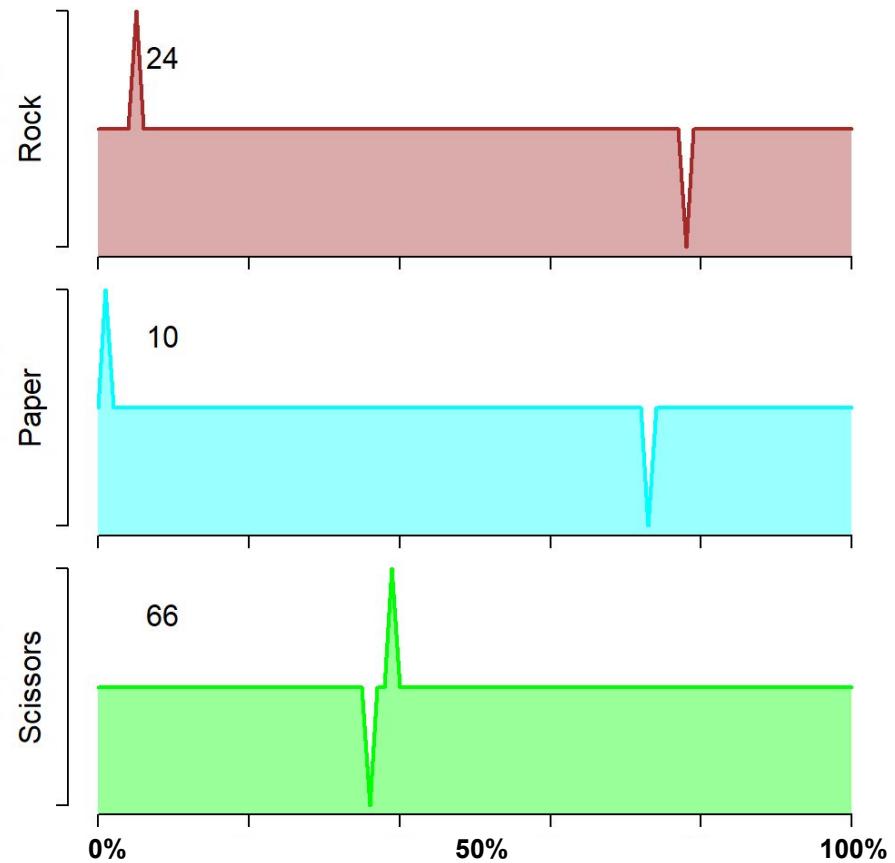
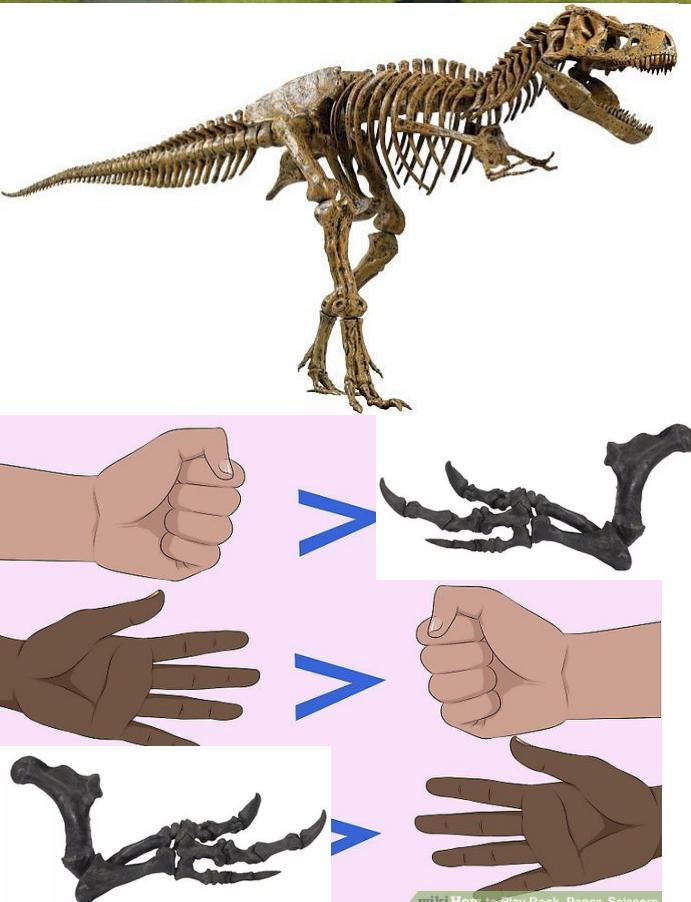
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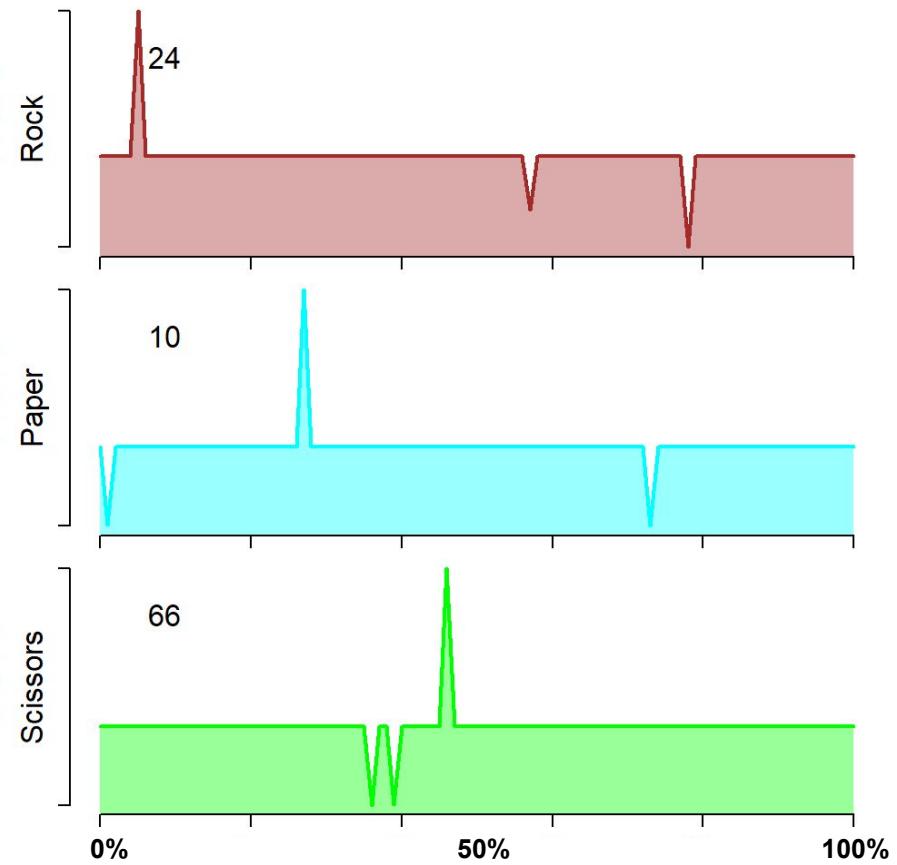
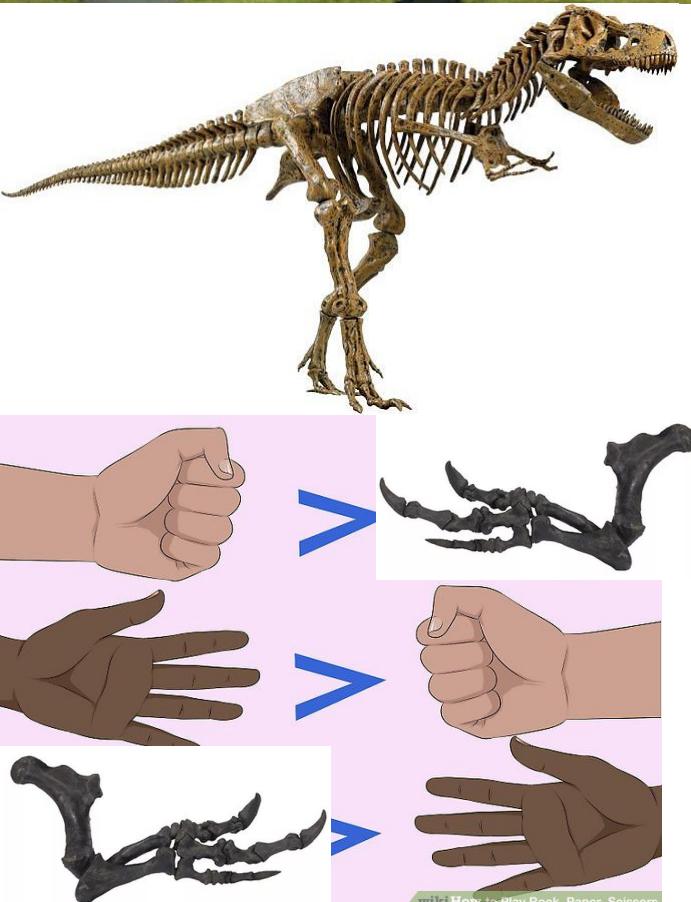
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Simple snow-free albedo scheme



$$\alpha = \sum Area_{tile} \cdot \alpha_{tile}$$

Simple snow-free albedo scheme



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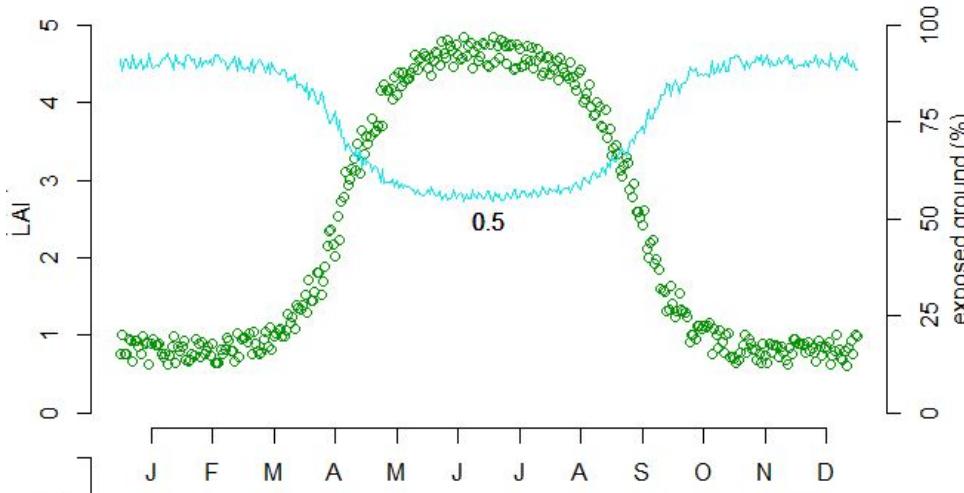
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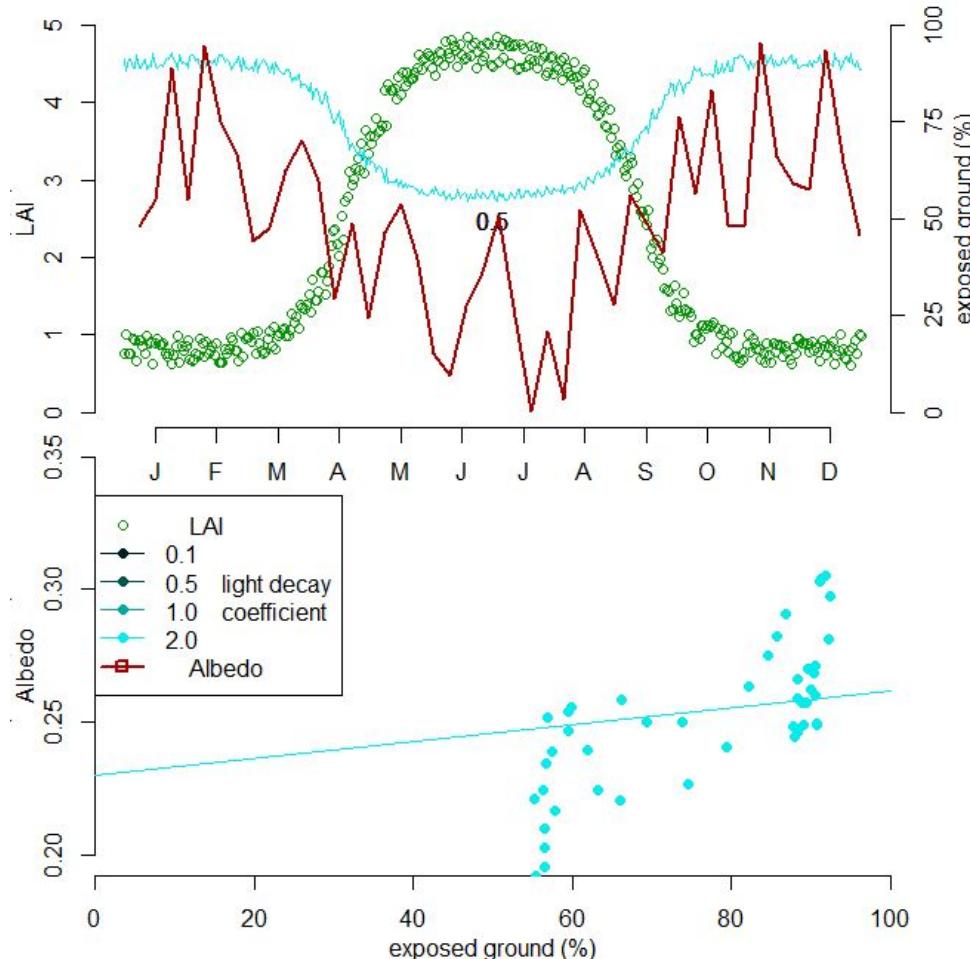
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3 Tile parameter; (2×9) PFT parameters; Spatially varying soil

Spatially varying bareground albedo



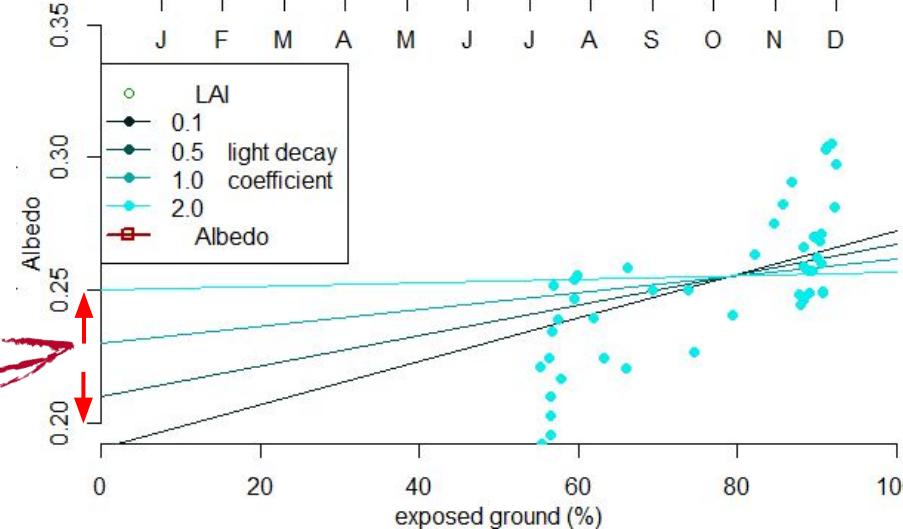
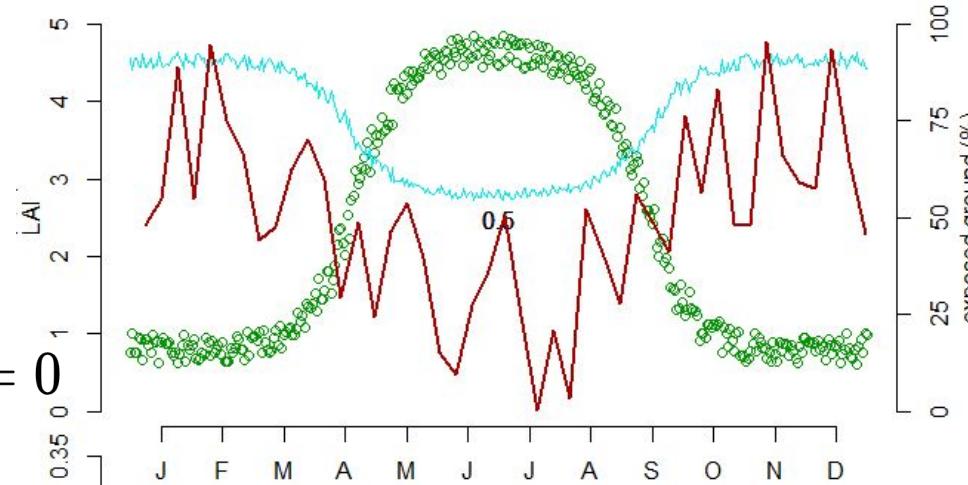
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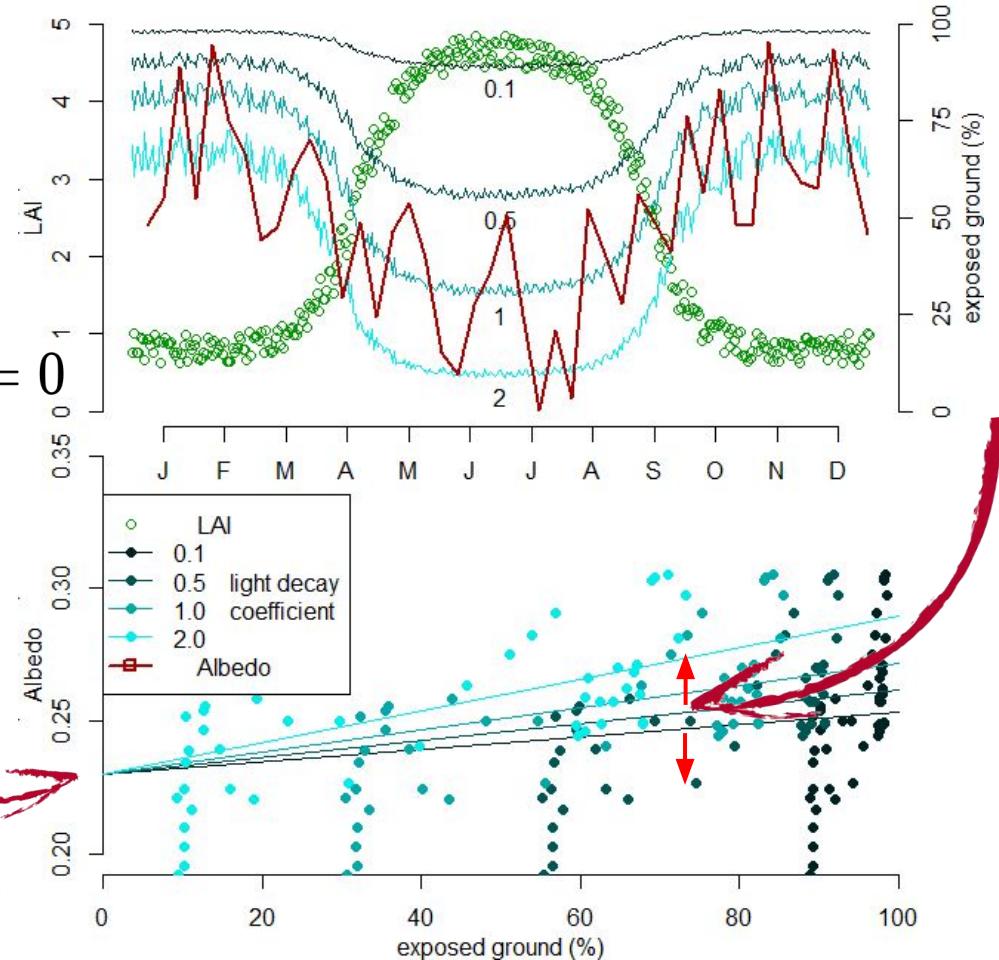
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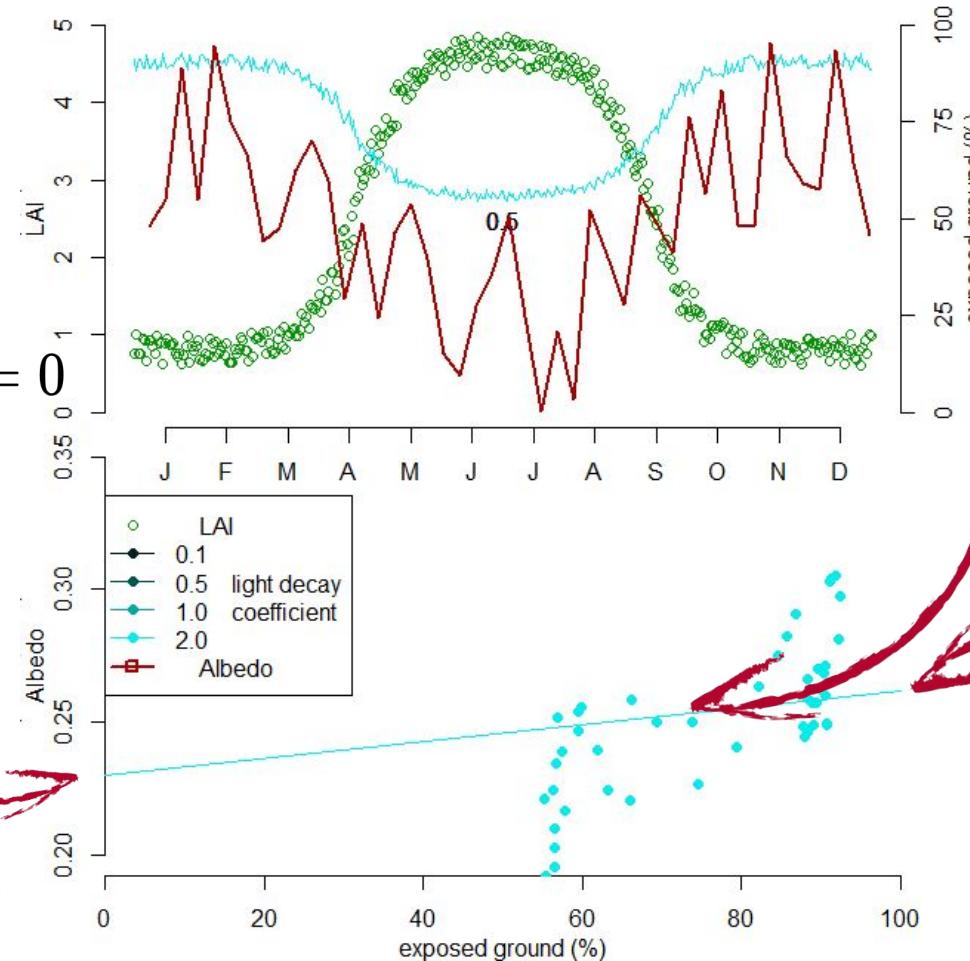
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 $+ e^{-k \cdot LAI}$

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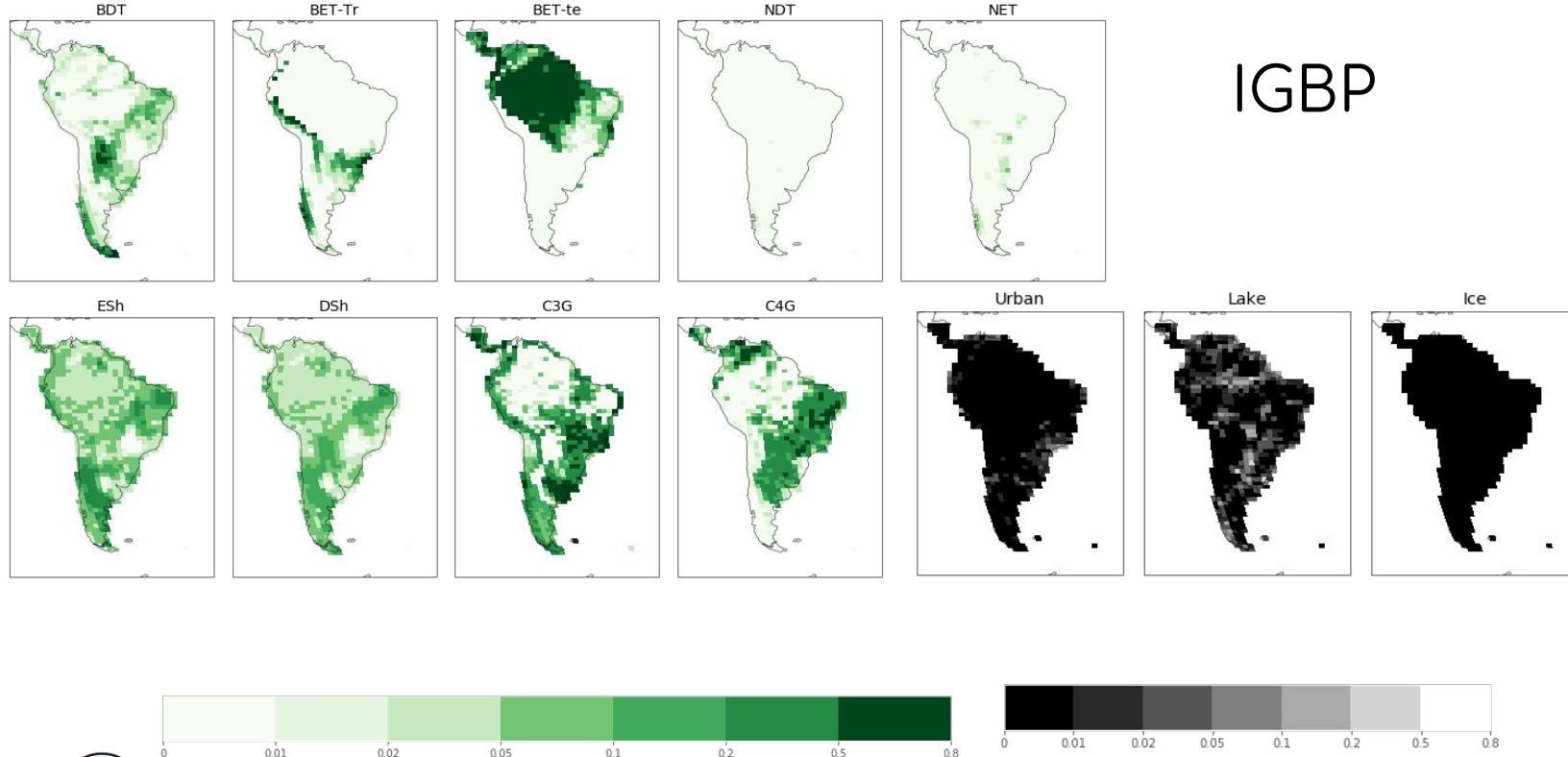
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Bare ground albedo from residual after tile albedo

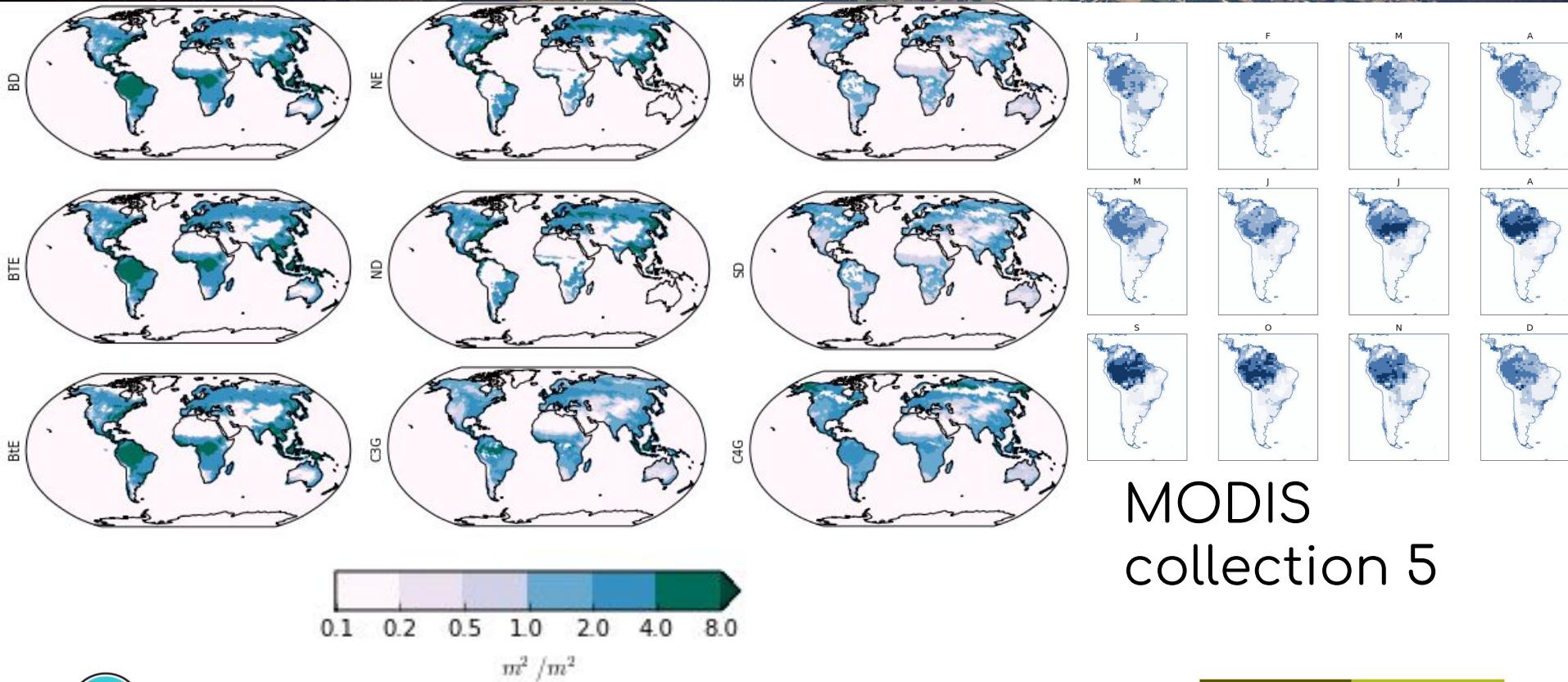
$$\propto \alpha_{lai=0} - \\ \Sigma Area_{tile} \cdot \alpha_{tile}$$

Driving data - vegetation fractions

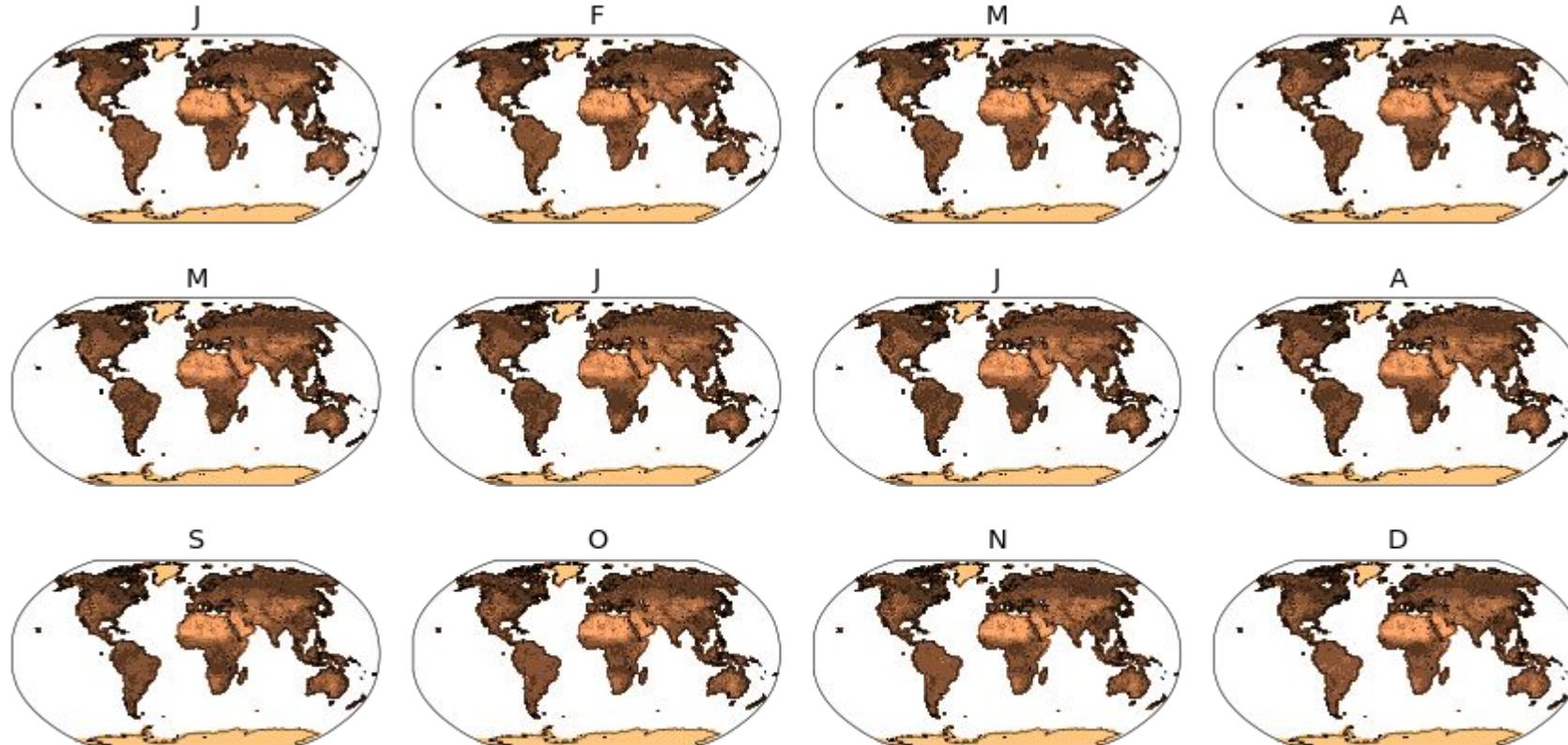


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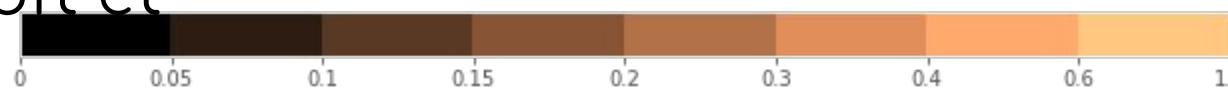
Driving Data - LAI



Training Data - snow free albedo

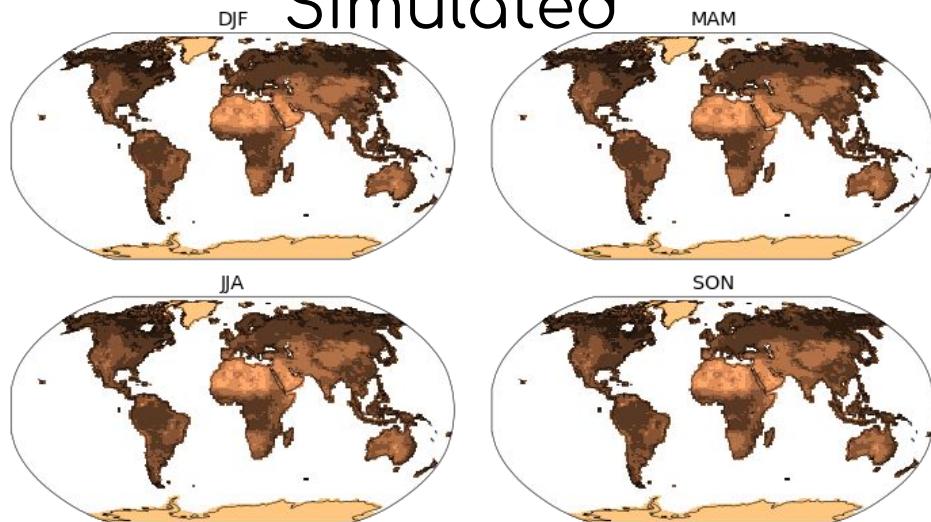


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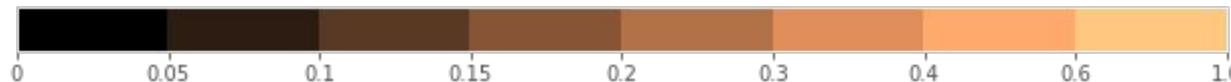
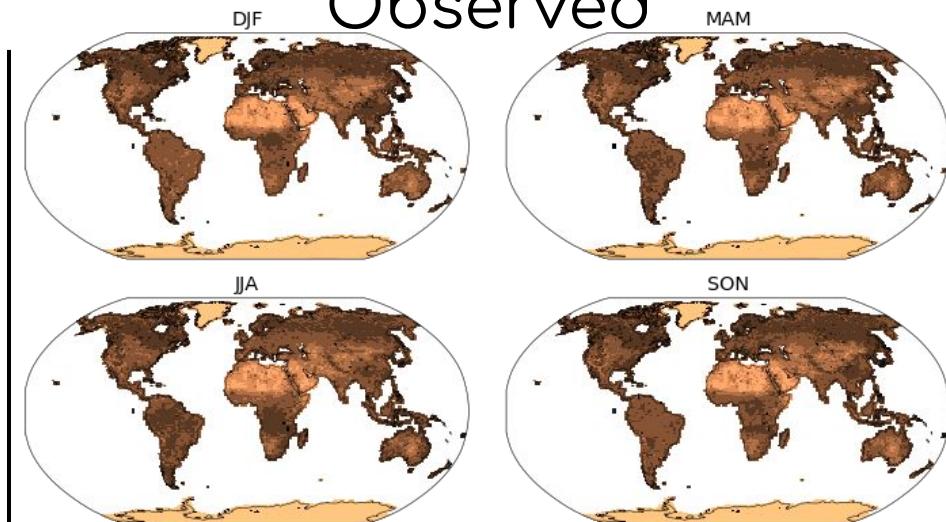


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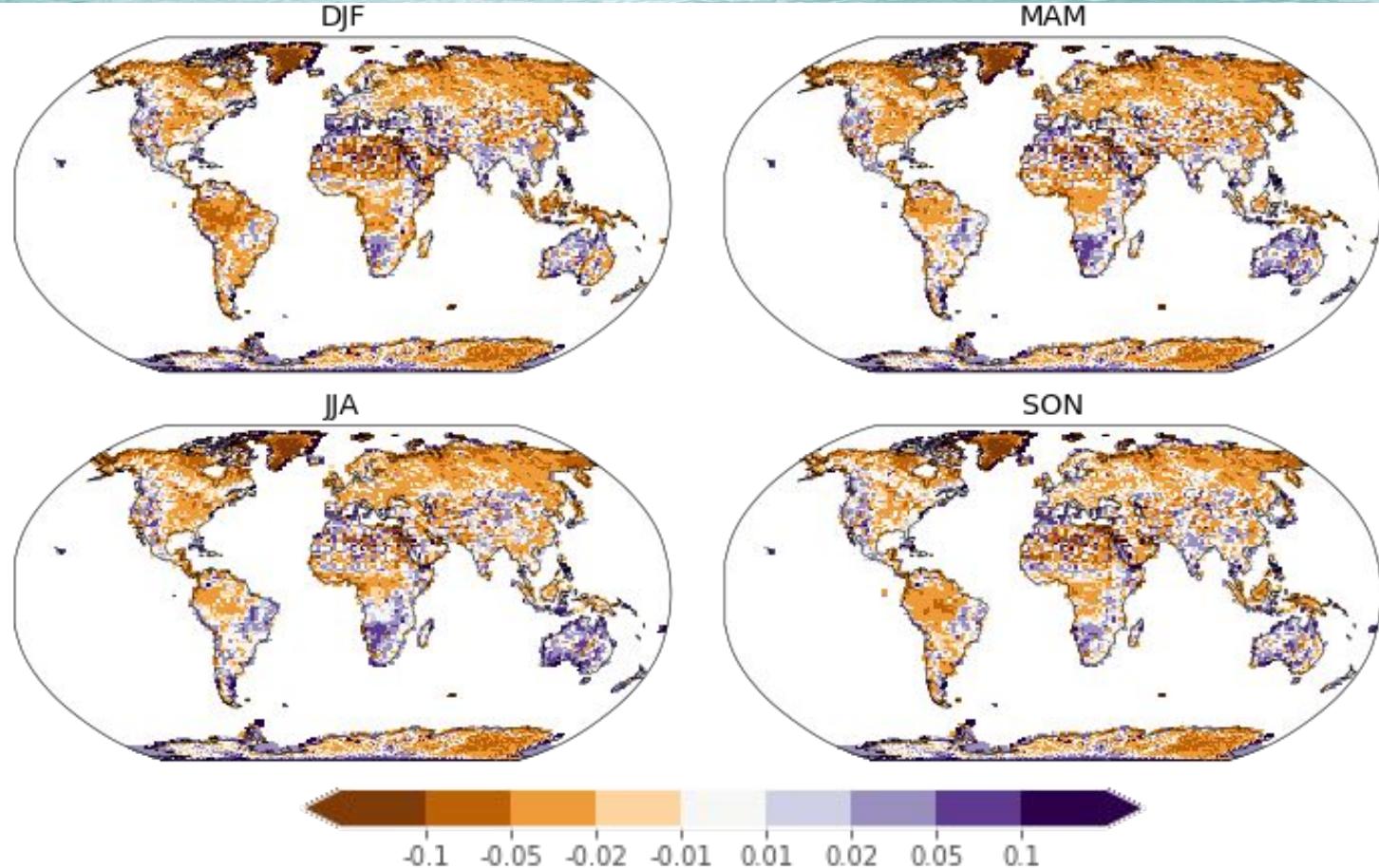
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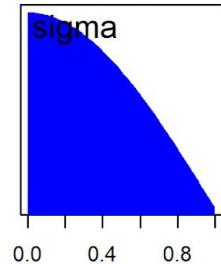
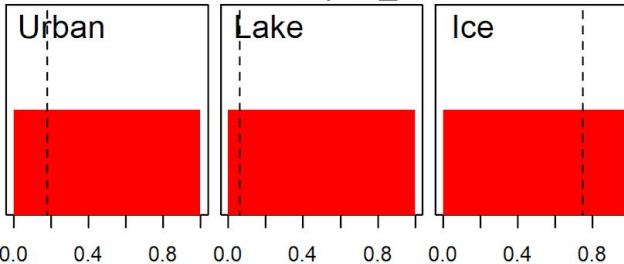
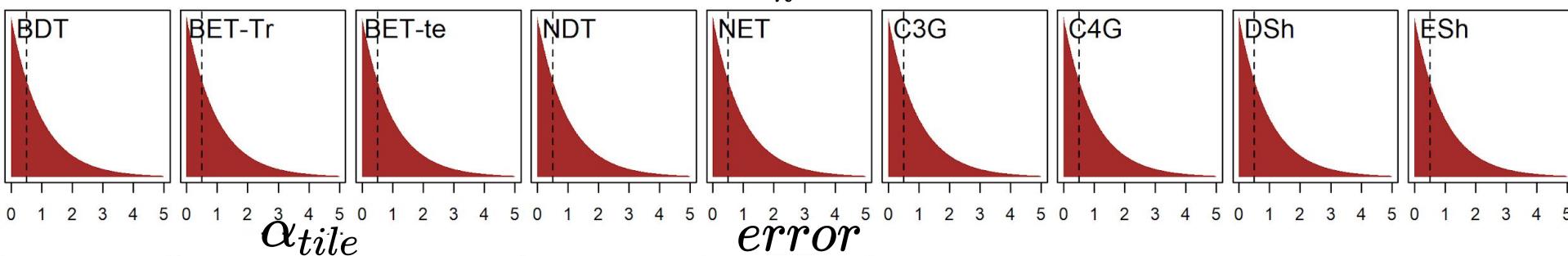
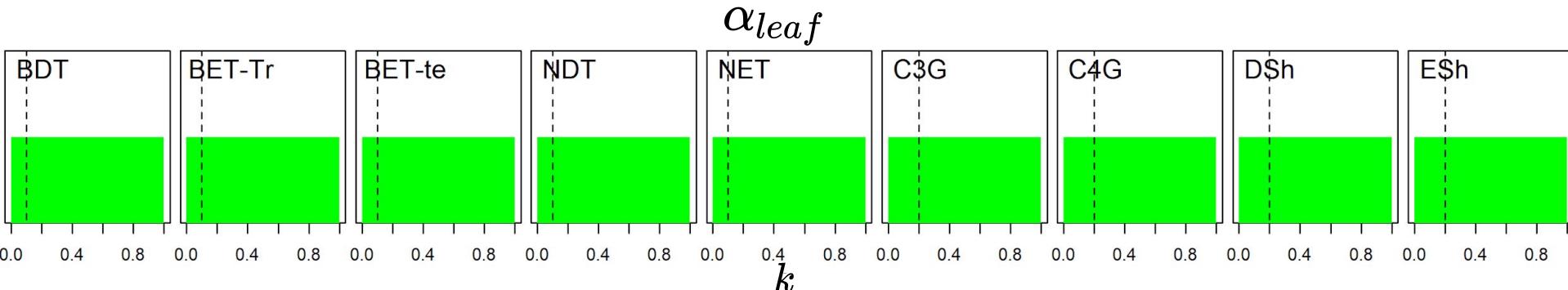
Observed



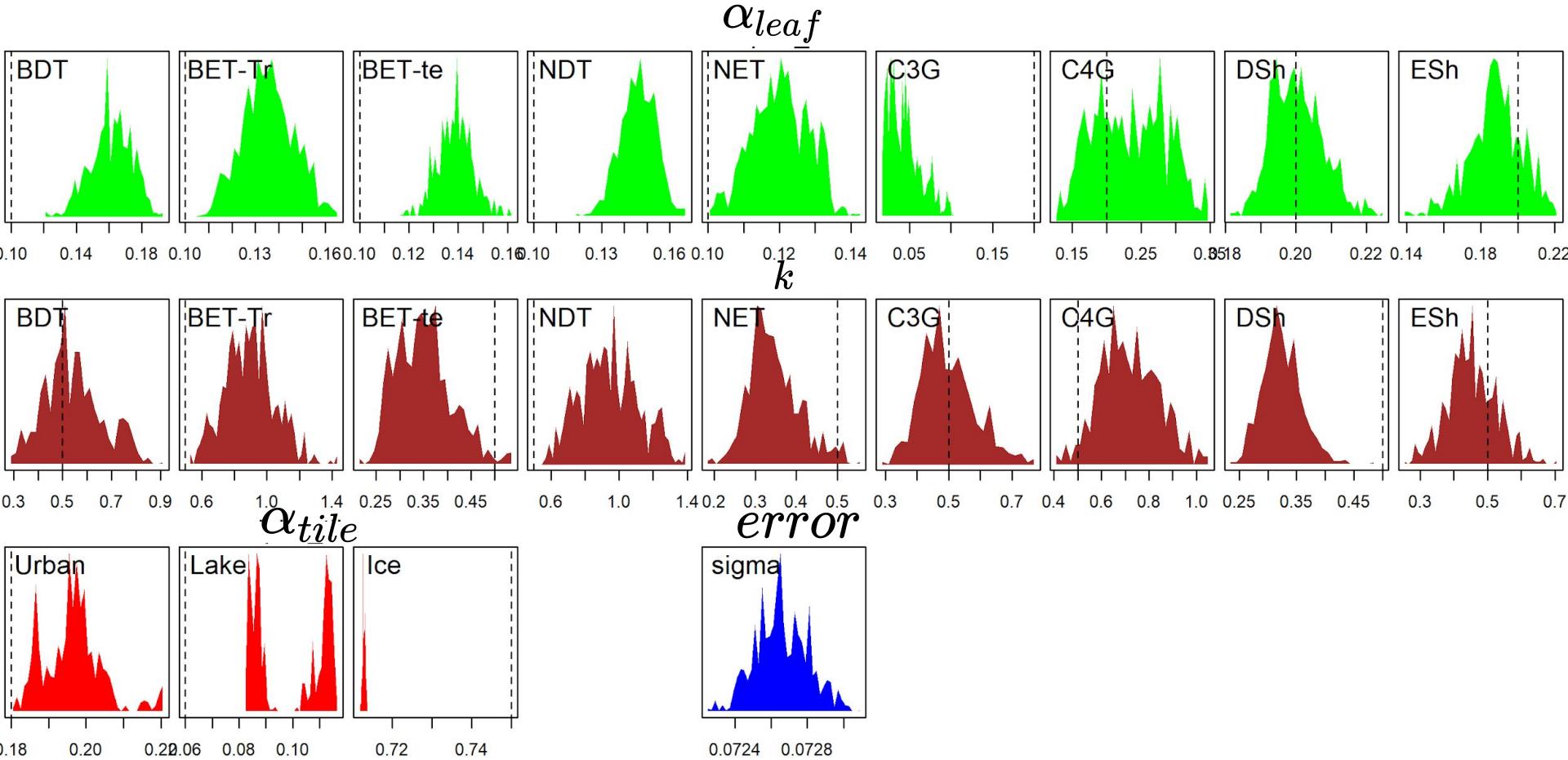
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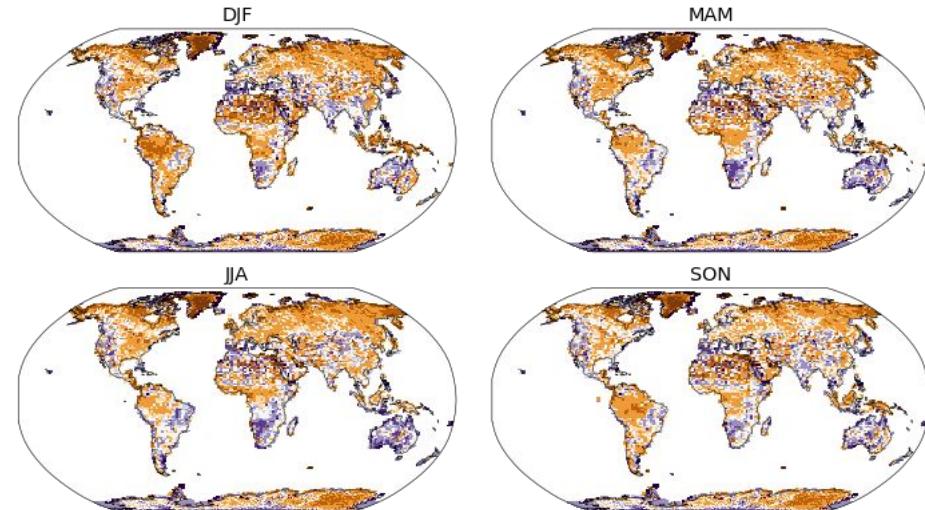


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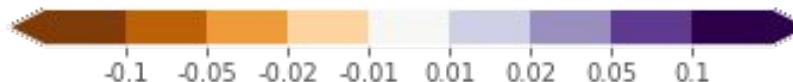
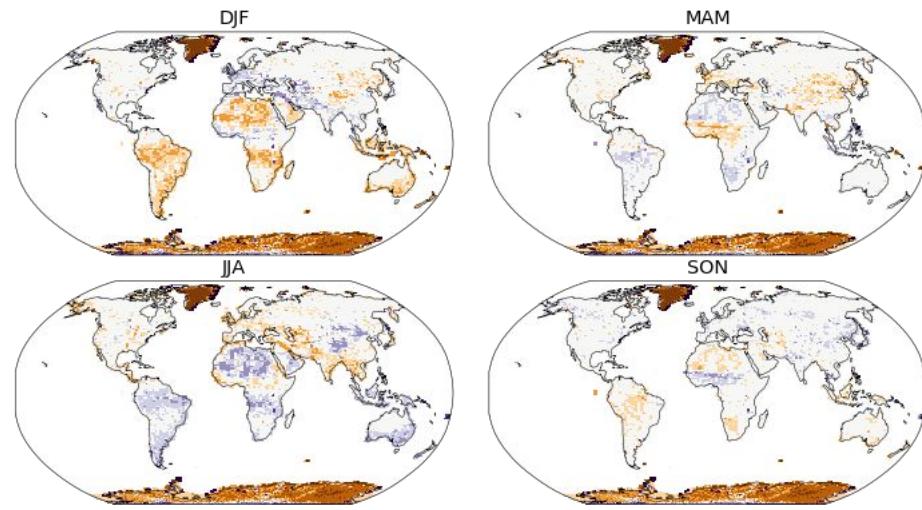


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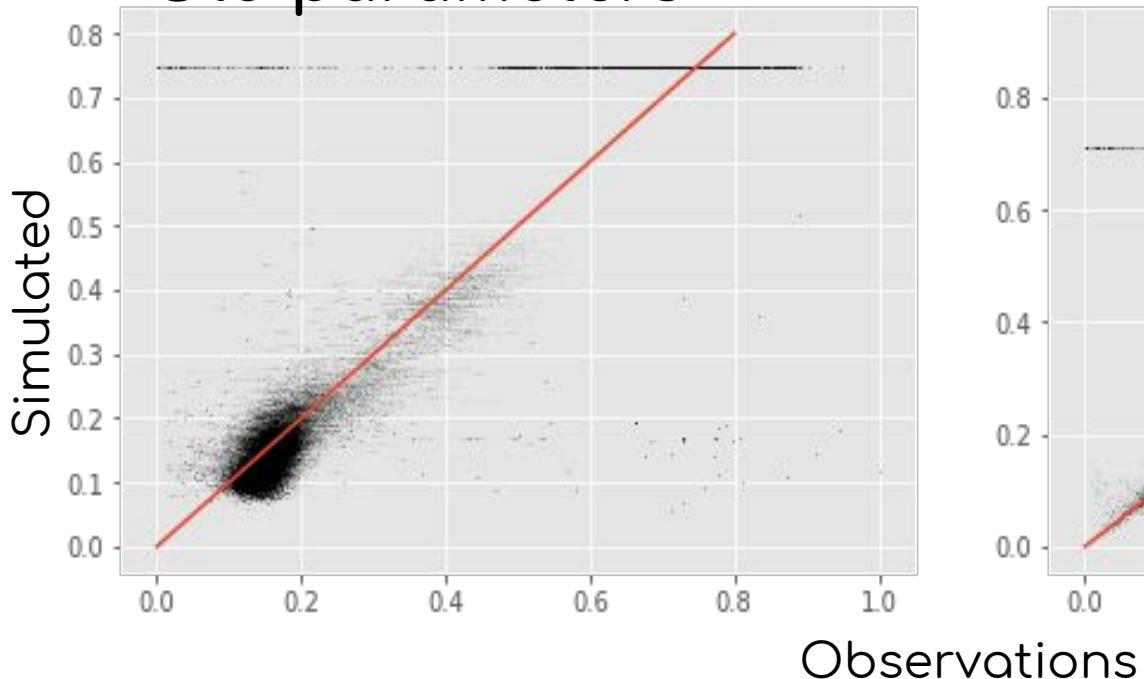


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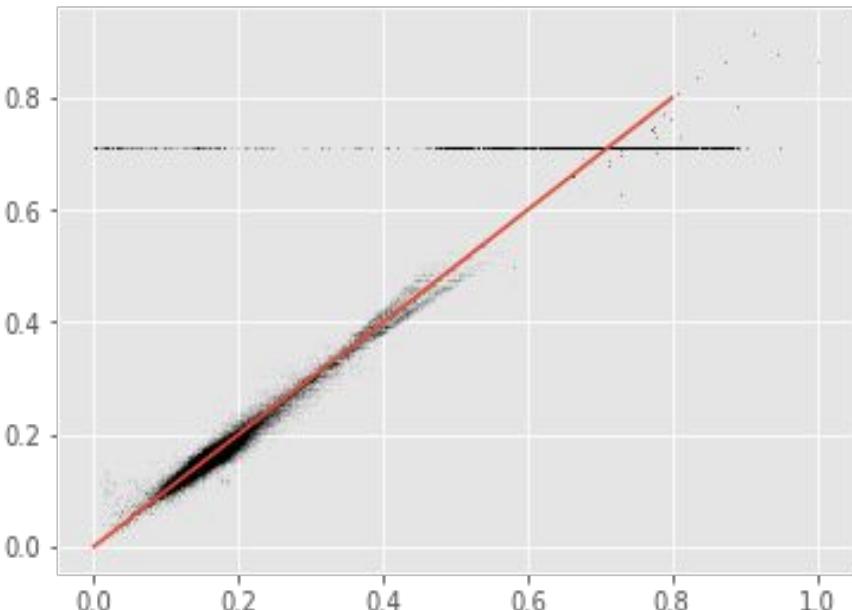


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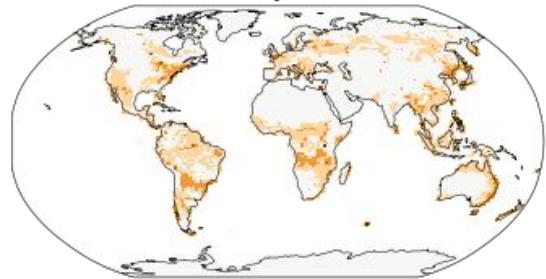
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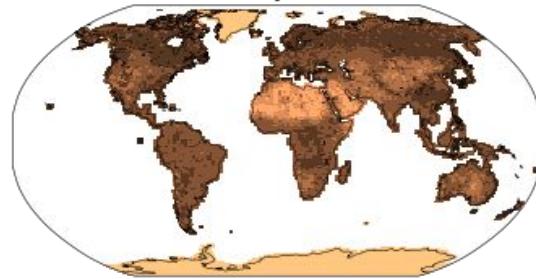
10% Quantile

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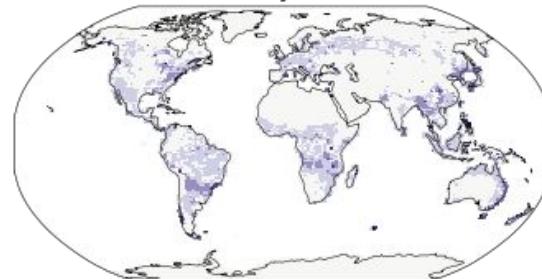
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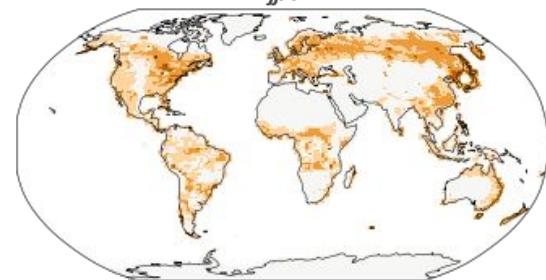


90% Quantile

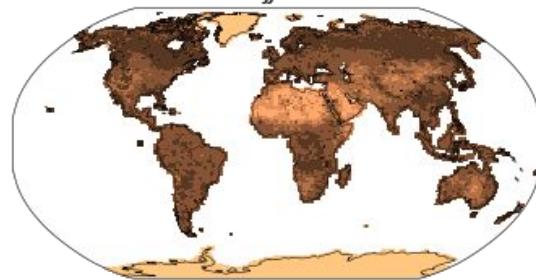
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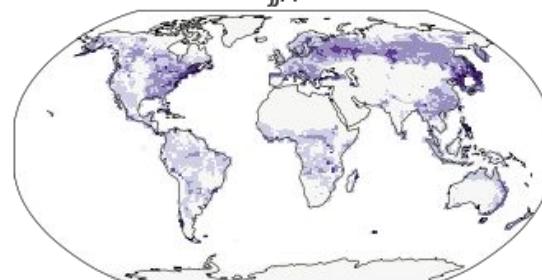
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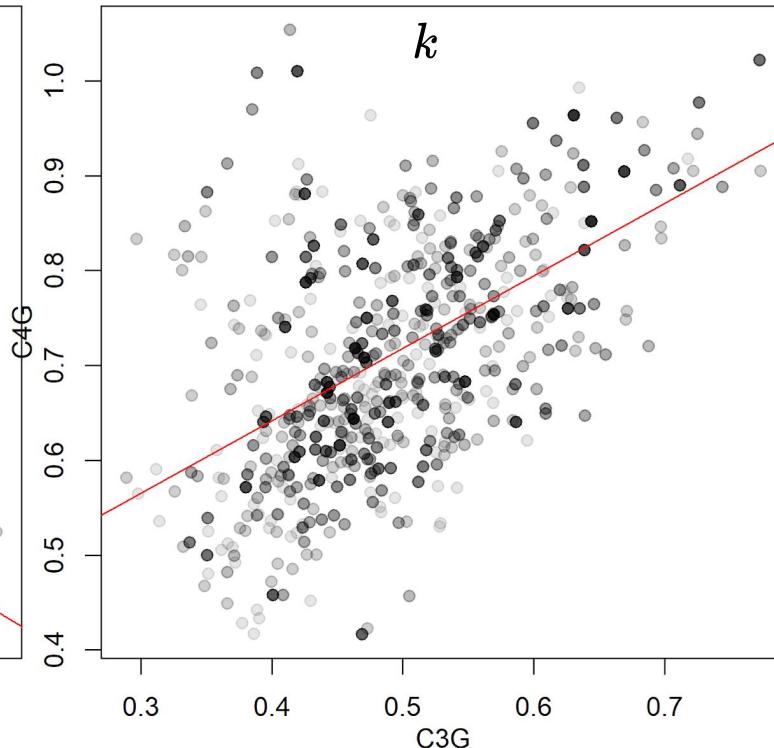
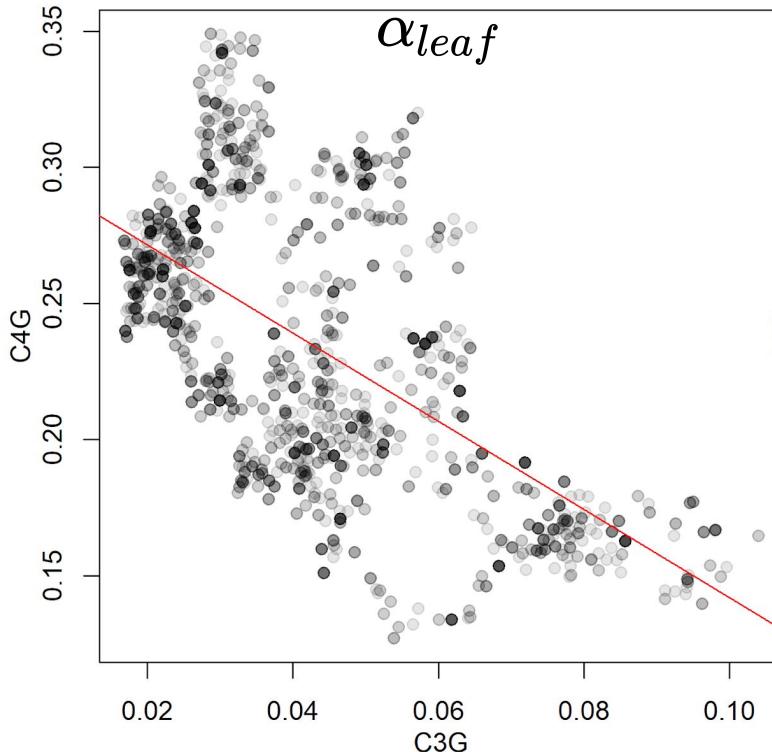
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Selecting parameter set



“Conclusions”

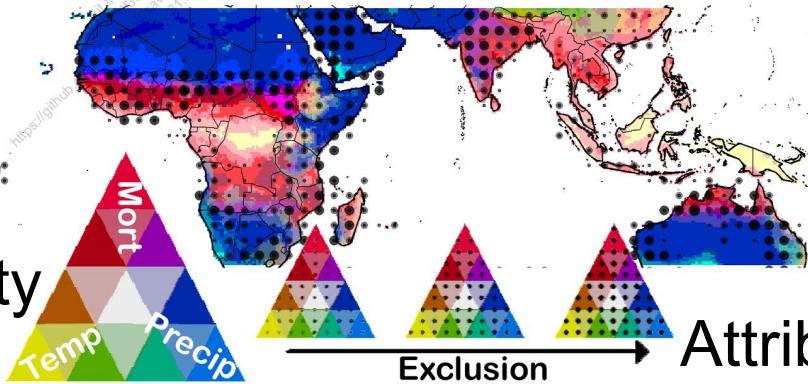
Some questions:

- How to choose from co-varying parameters
- Using prescribed or simulated vegetation (actual vs compensation optimization?)

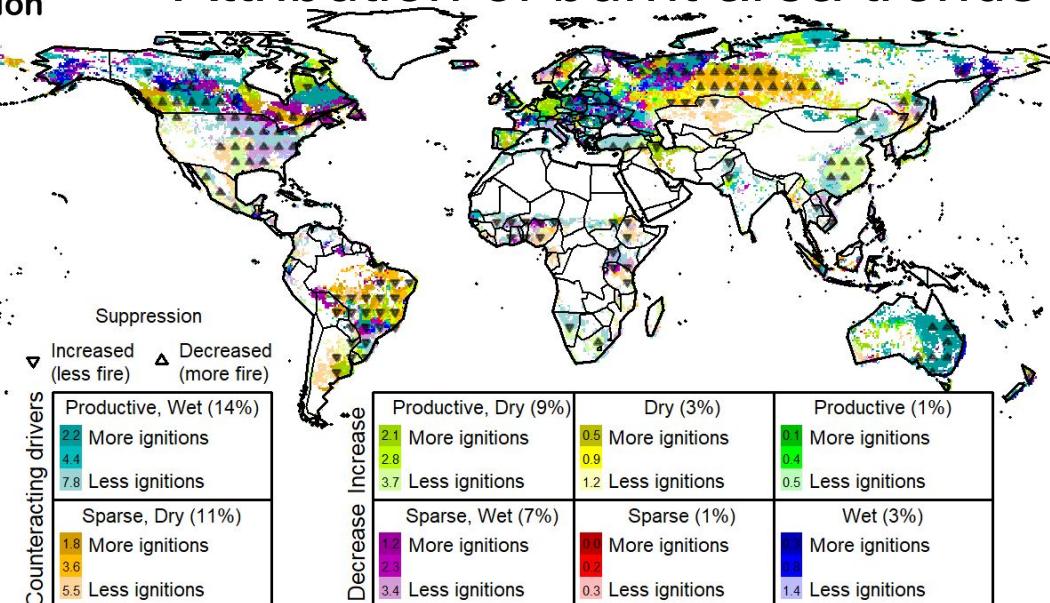
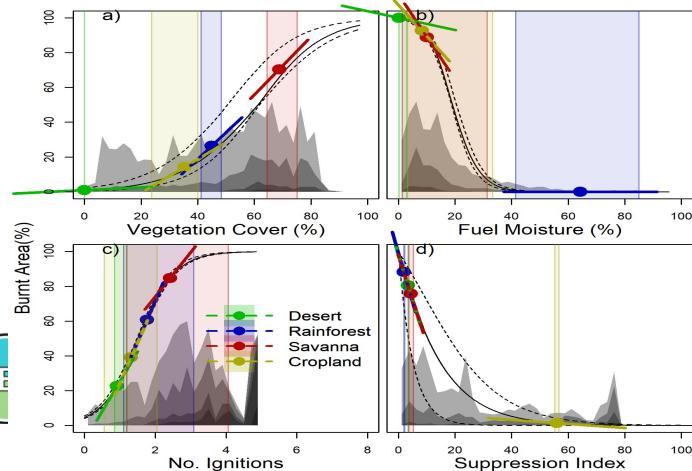
In future, expand to spectral albedo and veg/snow parameters

Parameter constraints from bayesian inference

Tree mortality impact - tomorrow 11:05



Attribution of burnt area trends



Number of JULES talks with dinos in...

