## CLIMATE VARIABILITY AND CHANGE DURING THE LAST MILLENNIUM



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## HUNTER IN THE SNOW

1565 by Pieter Bruegel the Elder One of the "common & severe" winter during the 16<sup>th</sup> century



## WINTER LANDSCAPE WITH A BIRD TRAP

## in Netherlands

1601 by Pieter Bruegel the Younger Freeze over Dutch canal in winter; nowadays ice free



# LITTLE ICE AGE (1450-1850) & MEDIEVAL WARM PERIOD (950-1250)

- With colder/warmer than normal temperature
- Due proposed to solar variability (Lean, 2010), tropical volcanic eruptions (LIA, Schurer, 2014), declining NH summer insolation (Kaufman, 2009), land cover/use (He, 2014)
- Conventionally a "more European" climate phenomenon
- Medieval warm period (climate anomaly) often has more heterogeneity

## WHY THEN AND WHY US

- High data density and the ability to quantify the relative importance of forcings with downside of smaller changes
- CMIP5 Last Millennium simulations organized by PMIP3
- Test the ability of state-of-the-art climate models in explaining climate changes
- NCAR-CESM-LME expands from CMIP5 LM that provides full and single forcing member

## **MODEL & DESIGN**

	CESM-LME	CCSM-TraCE21k
Model	CESM1 (CAM5)	CCSM3_LPJ
Resolution	2-degree (atm, clm) 1-degree (pop, csim) F19-g16	4-degree (atm,clm) 3-1 degree (pop) T31_gx3v5
Purpose	Since 850CE	Since LGM
Transient	YES	YES but no really for LM
Forcings	Solar, orbital, volcanic, LCLU, GHG, (ozone-aerosol)	Orbital, GHG, Ice-5G, paleography, meltwater

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- -- Spin-up from 1850 control
- -- 850 control branched out
- -- Started from year 850



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# HOW DOES IT GO? ... In a global sense

From 850-1850

### TAS Means (Annual)





### PR Means (Annual) GPCC b.e11.B1850C5CN.f19\_g16.0850cntl.001 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.001 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.002 GPCP mm/day 850-2005 mm/day 1979-2012 mm/day 850-2005 850-2005 mm/day 1920-2015 wase the site Calles . ant the 5 m ANS. b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.003 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.004 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.005 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.006 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.007 850.2005 mm/day 850,2005 mm/day 850-2005 mm/day 850-2005 mm/day 850-2005 the he anto the anto he ante the b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.008 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.009 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.010 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.GHG.001 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.GHG.002 850-2005 mm/day 850-2005 mm/day 850-2005 mm/day 850-2005 mm/day 850-2005 and s an sie 100 at the ant the anti ano and s 1200 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.GHG.003 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.119\_g16.LULC\_HurtPongratz.001 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.119\_g16.LULC\_HurtPongratz.002 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.119\_g16.LULC\_HurtPongratz.003 850.2005 mm/day b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.ORBITAL.001 850-2005 350-2005 and the he anta sur mar 2 Stall. b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.SSI\_VSK\_L.001 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.SSI\_VSK\_L.003 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.ORBITAL.002 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.ORBITAL.003 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.SSI\_VSK\_L.004 850-2005 mm/day 850-2005 mm/day 850-2005 mm/day 850-2005 to 2 E2 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.SSI\_VSK\_L.005 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.VOLC\_GRA.001 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.VOLC\_GRA.002 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.VOLC\_GRA.003 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.VOLC\_GRA.004 850-2005 mm/day 850-2005 mm/day 850-2005 mm/day 850-2005 and he and the alle. ang he AN CON b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.abrupt4xco2.001 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.ramp1pctCO2.001 b.e11.BLMTRC5CN.f19\_g16.VOLC\_GRA.005 m/day 1001-1150 1001-1190 0.5 2 8 10 12 14 16 18 3 5 6 7 9 4

### PR Standard Deviations (Annual)



### El Niño Composite (3°S:3°N)



### PNA (Annual)





# HOW DOES IT GO? ... In our yard

## HOW DIFFERENT? Changes between MCA and LIA (950-1250)-LIA (1450-1850)

-- Anomalies from two phase as a test

-- LME results shows mostly significant but not the TraCE-21k



0.7

0.6 0.5 0.4 0.3 0.2 0.1

0 -0.1 -0.2 -0.3

-0.4 -0.5 -0.6 -0.7

## **Working with reconstruction**



-- Wei shows speleothem isotopic data suggest precipitation in southern China correlate with Be-10 solar activity (sunspot)

-- REACHS reconstruction also shows summer snow in Eastern China correlate with group sunspot number

-- precipitation follows solar 11-year cycles



Precipitation Center 1644-1795 (Summer May.-Sep.)

1710

Year

1740

1770

2.0

1.0 0.0

-1.0

1650

1680

Precipitation indexes Center 1644-1795 (Summer May.-Sep.)





## From 1644 - 1795 TS 1600-1649 1650-

## 1650-1699

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1800-1850

## From 1644 - 1795 std precipitation index1600-16491650-16991700-17491750-179 1750-1799

## 1800-1850











# **For (1650-1699)-(1750-1799)** TS (K) Precip (mm/day)

SPI





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Precipitation indexes Center 1644-1795 (Summer May.-Sep.) Wavelet Power unit<sup>2</sup> 1.2 4 1 8 0.8 12 20 0.6 0.4 40 60 0.2 120 1650 1680 1710 1740 1770

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  - -- LIA and MCA in China (Asia)
  - -- Monsoon/Maiyu front evolution

## **Data Driven & Thank you**