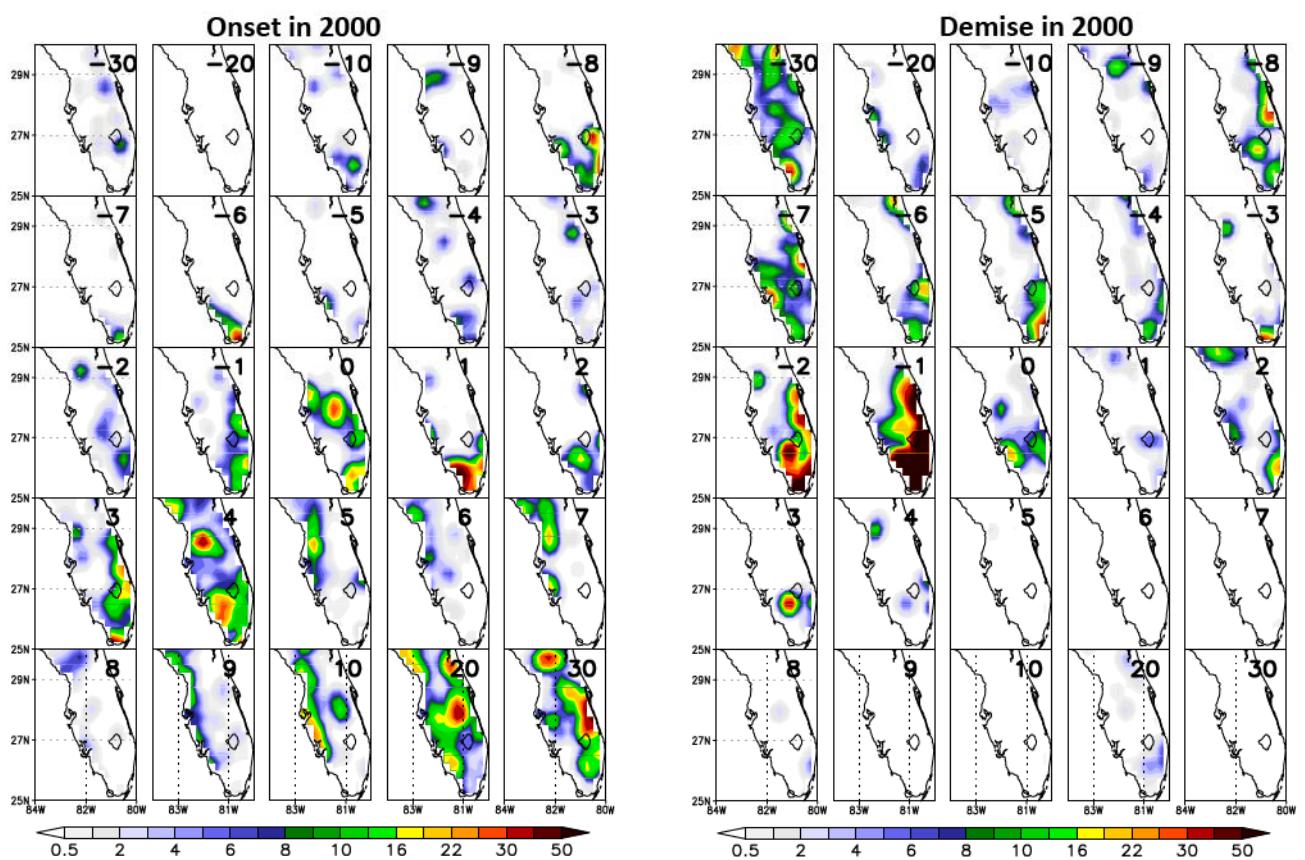


Florida Monsoon? Implications for past reconstructions and future projections

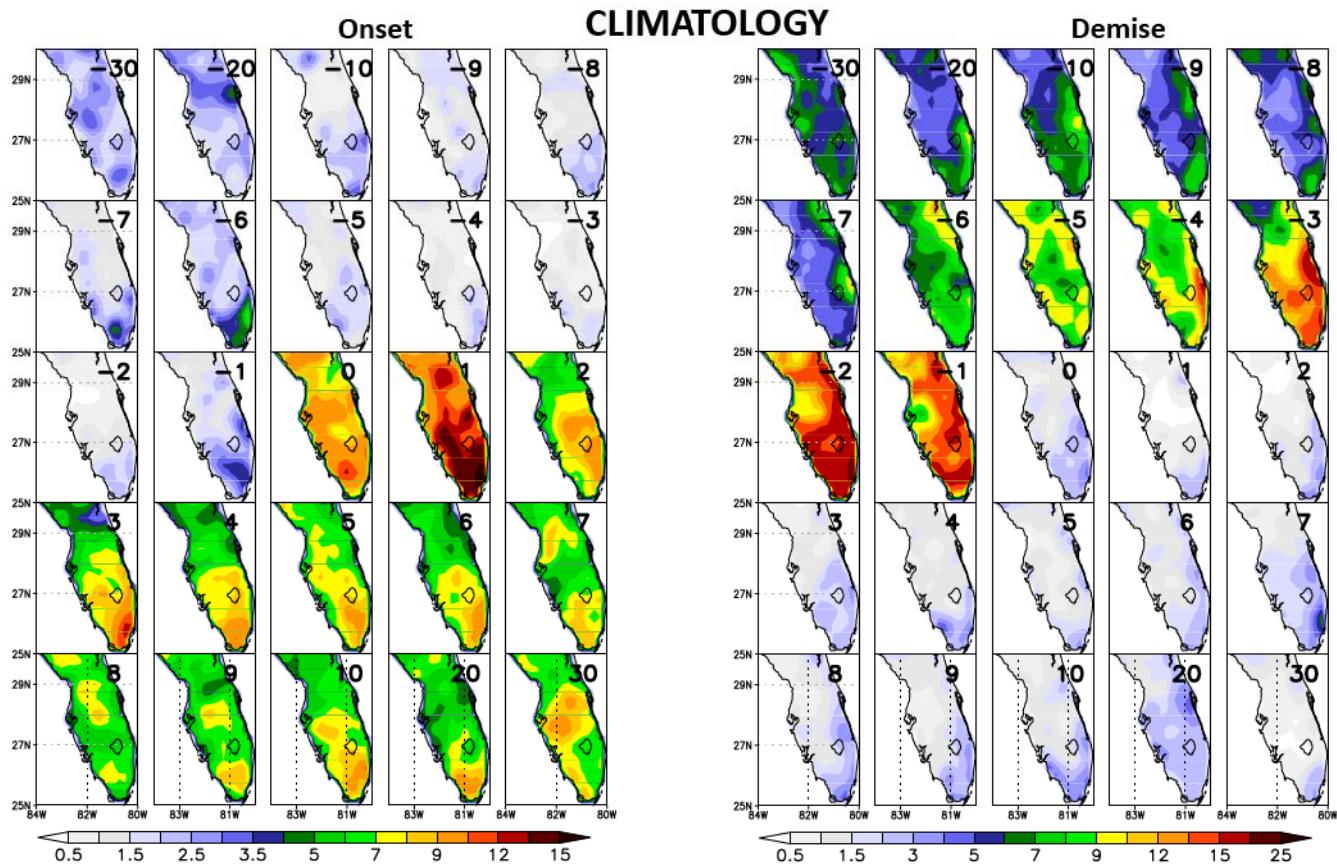
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The dramatic onset of the rains in Peninsular Florida

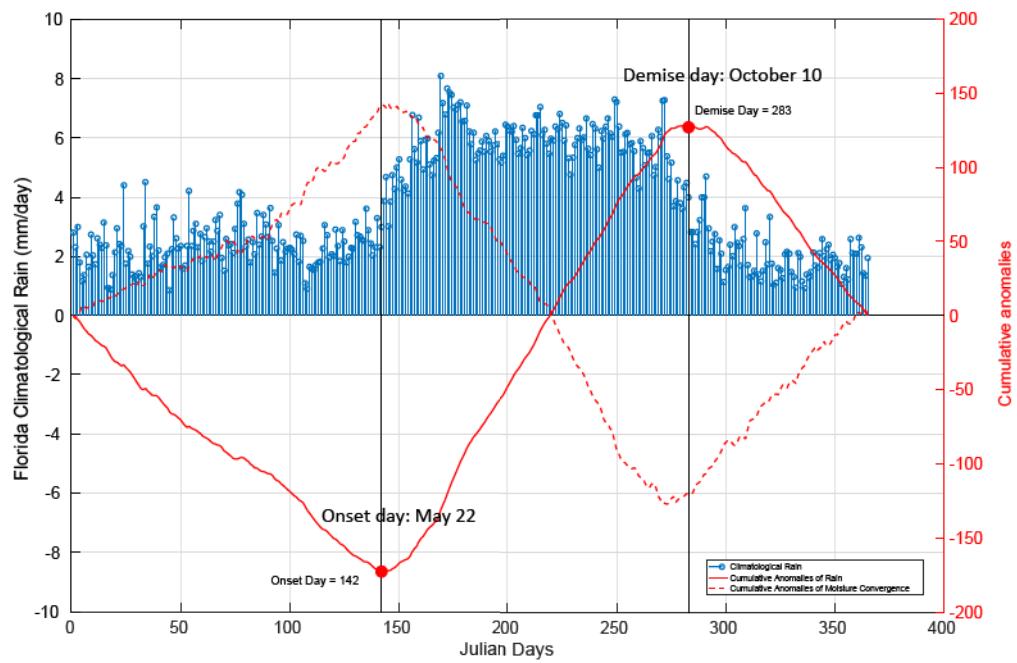


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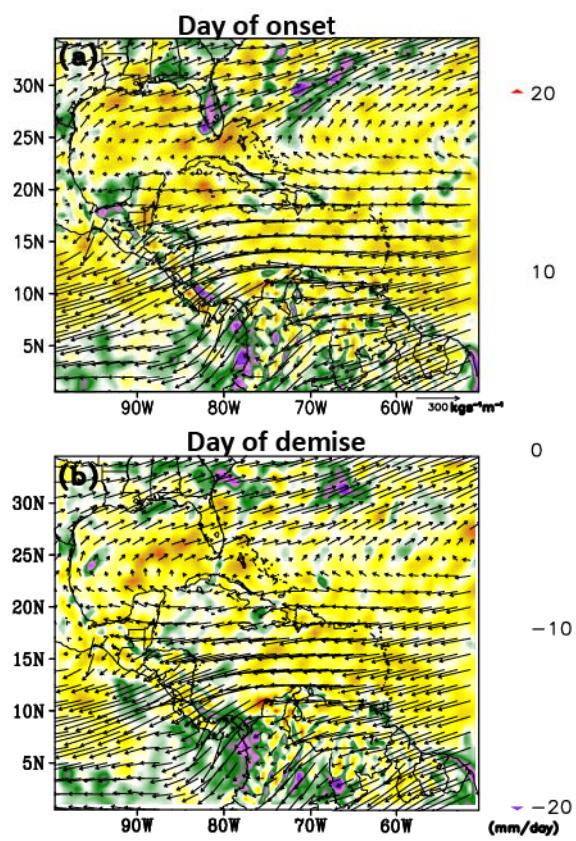
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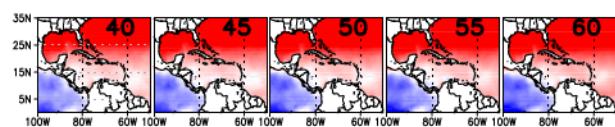
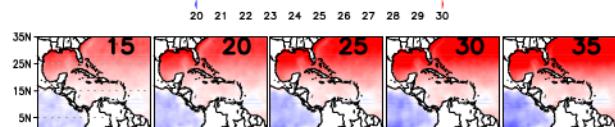
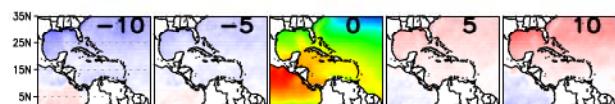
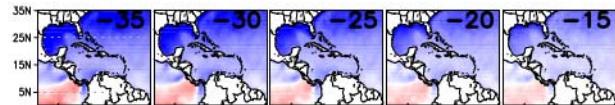
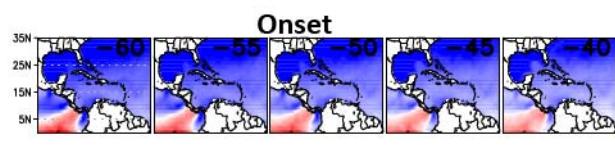
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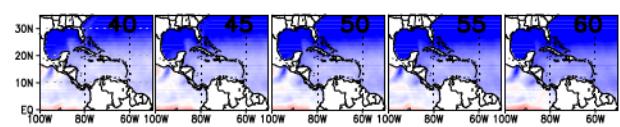
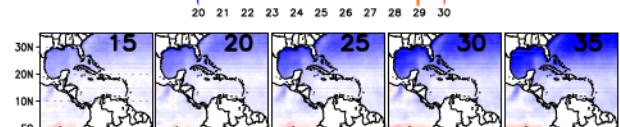
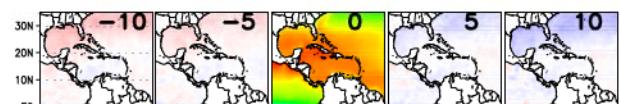
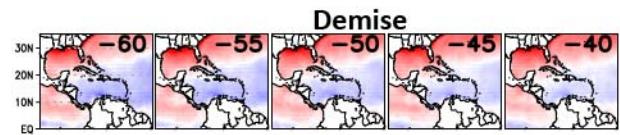
The composite Moisture flux convergence and moisture flux vectors



Evolution of Sea Surface Temperature

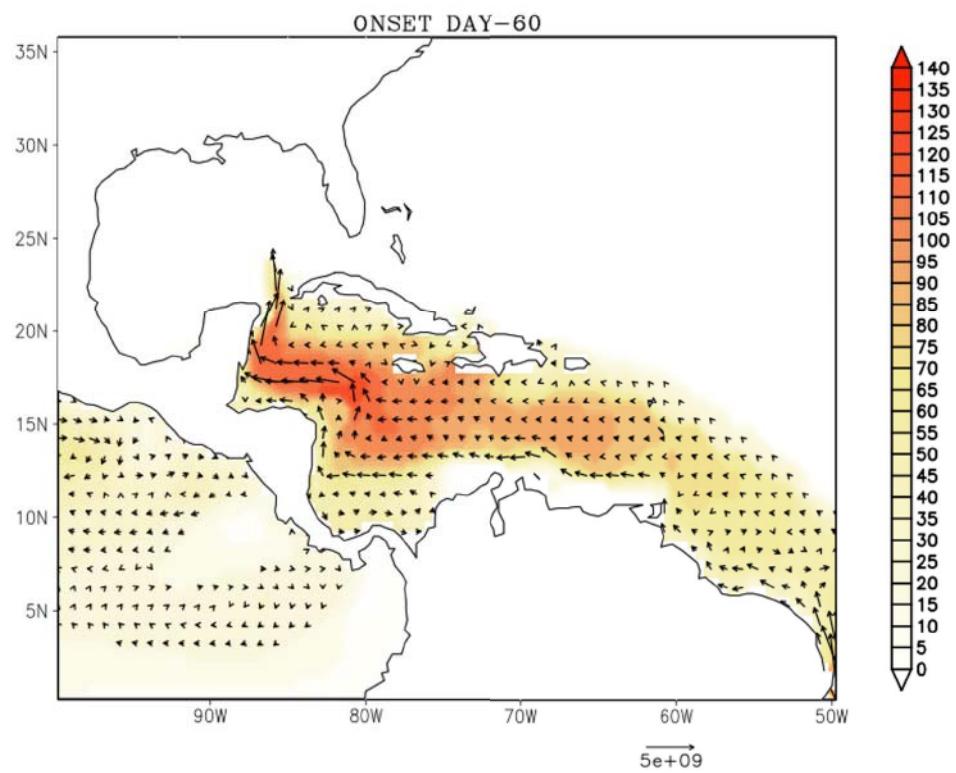


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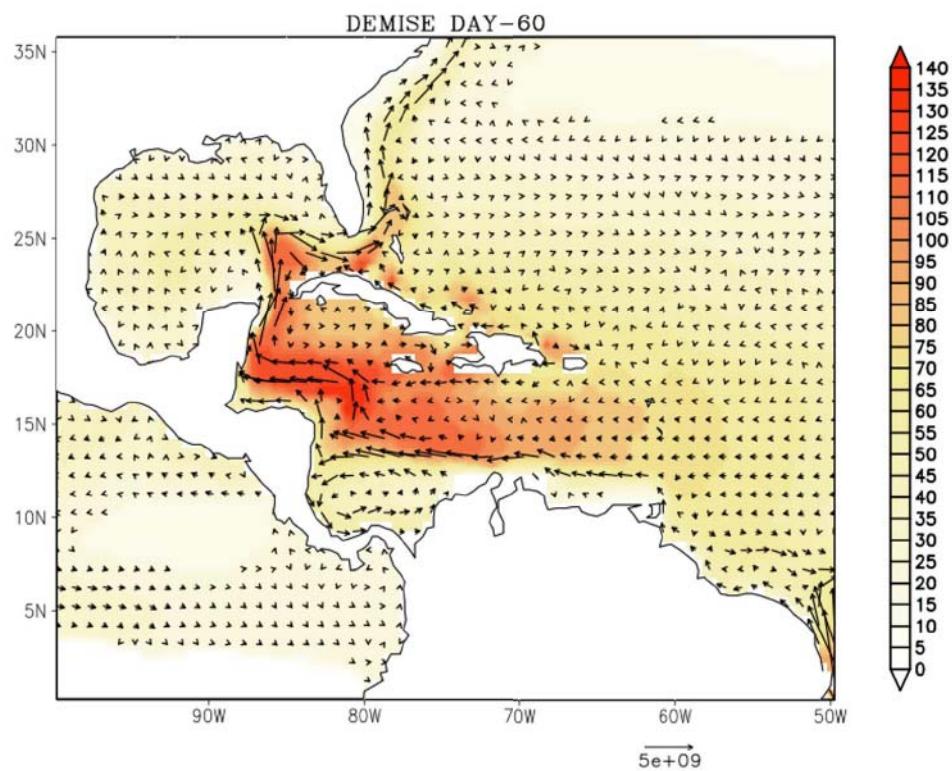


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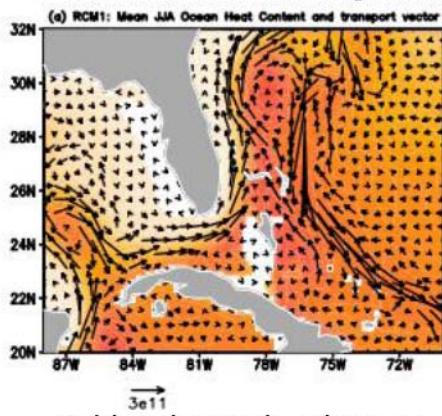


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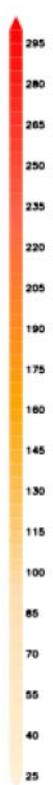
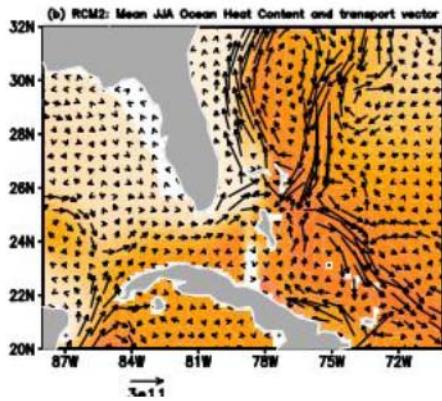


Model simulations

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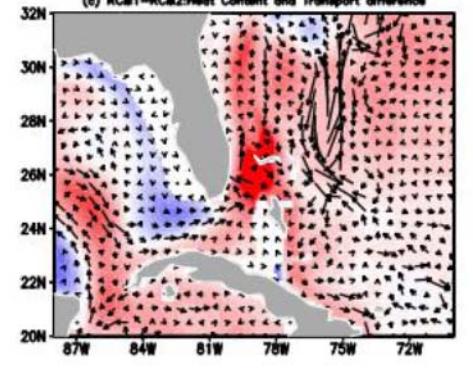


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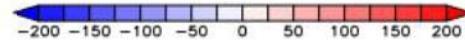
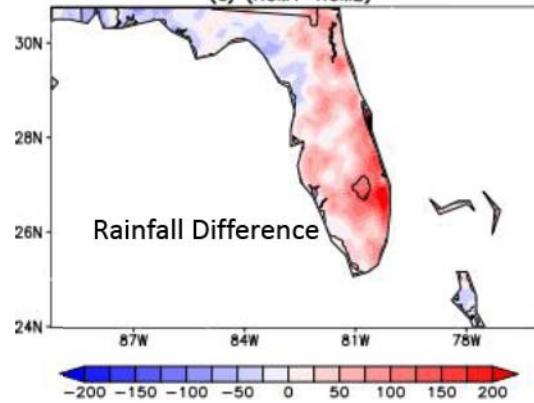


Heat content and heat transport

(c) RCM1–RCM2:Heat Content and Transport difference

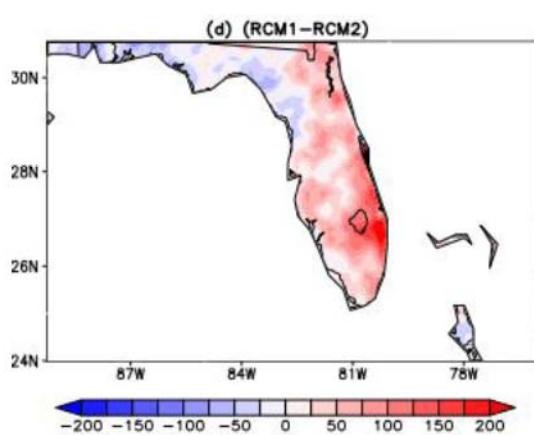


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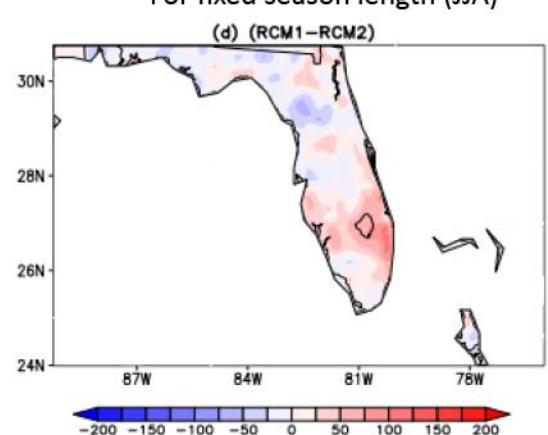


Rainfall Difference (mm)

For Varying wet season length

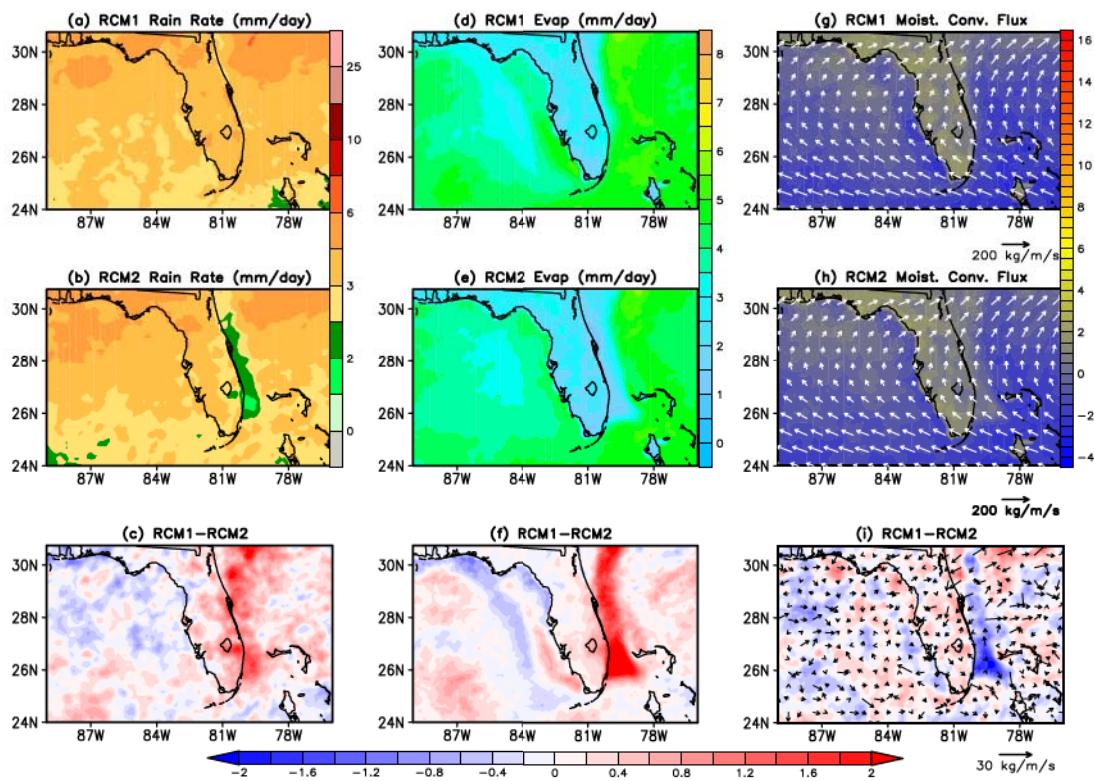


For fixed season length (JJA)

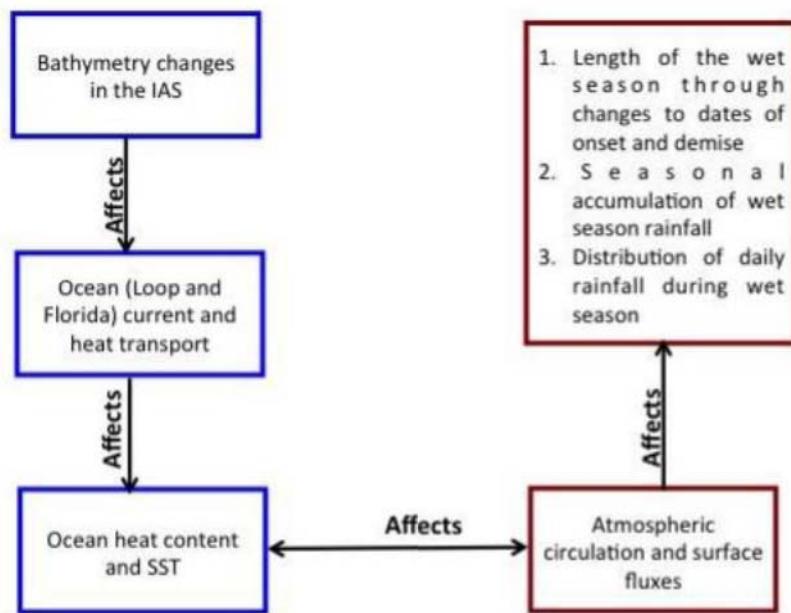


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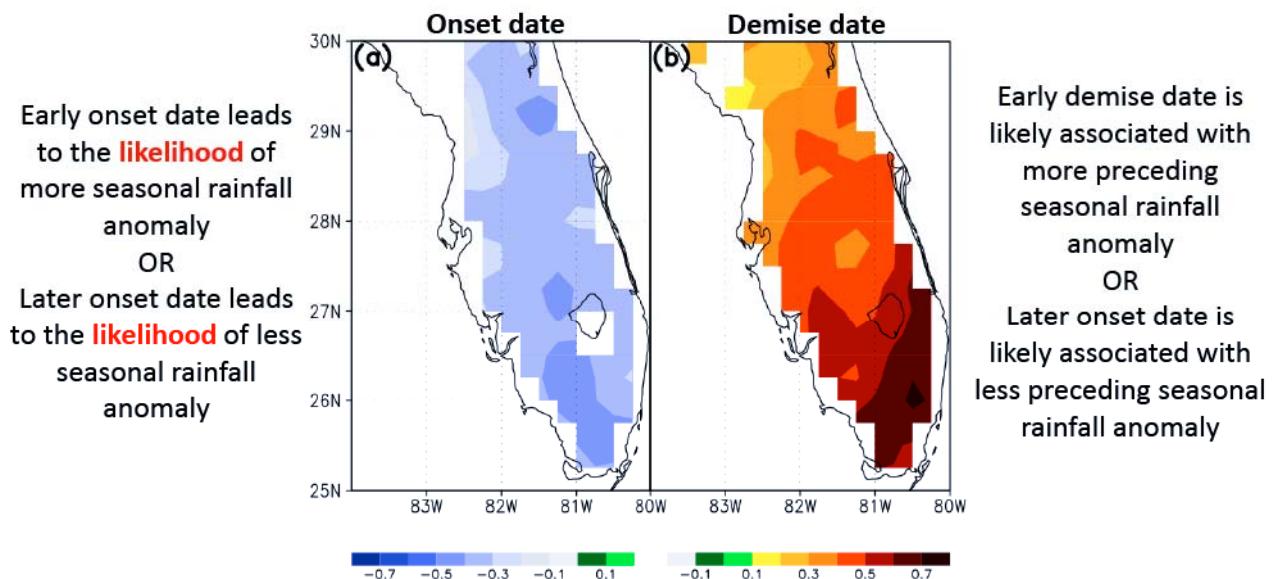
Wet Season Mean (1984–2010)



Feedback loop of the Florida Monsoon hydroclimate with the ocean



Year-to year variations

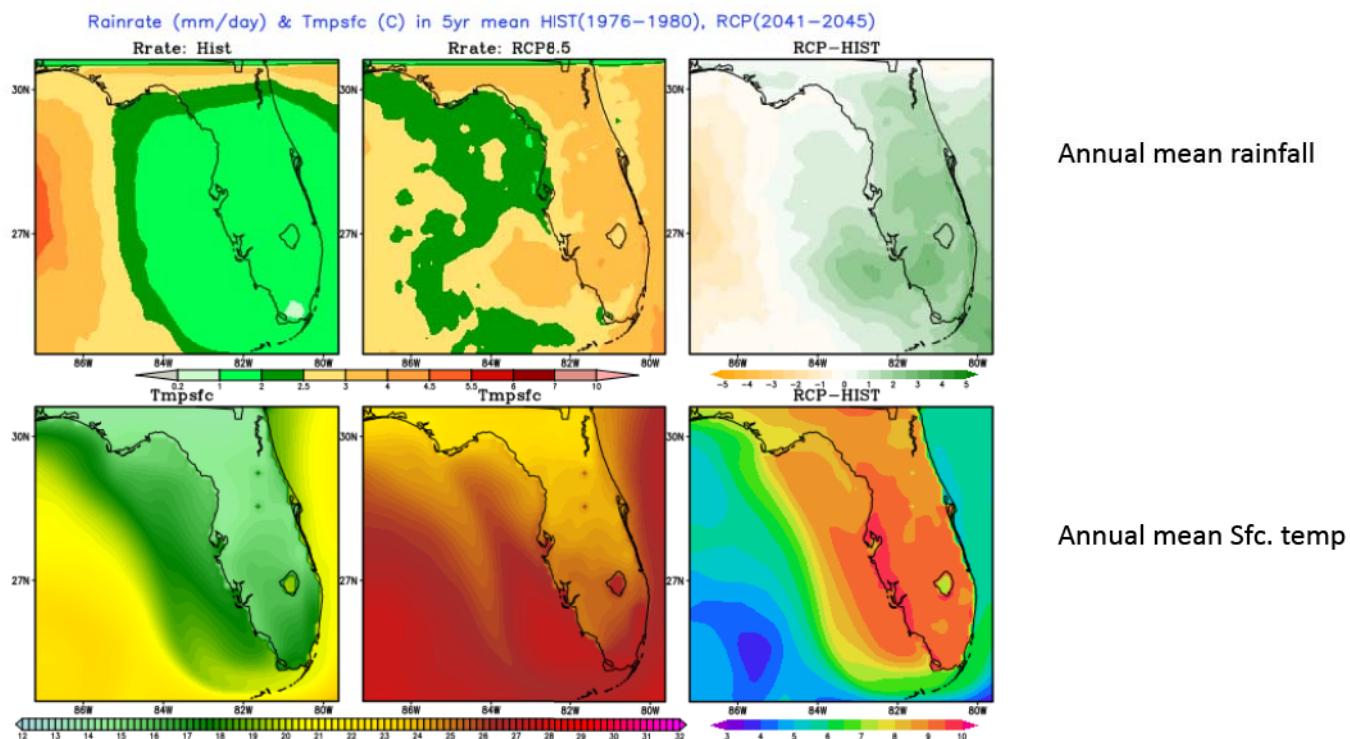


Initial results from coupled downscaling for climate change projections

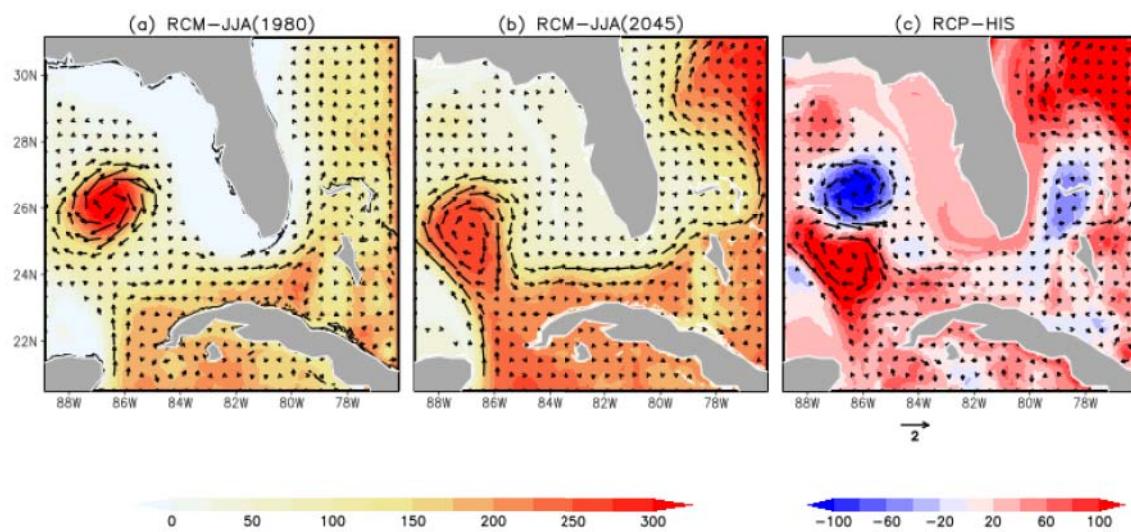
Historical period
1976–2005

Future period:
2041–2070
(RCP8.5)

Horizontal
resolution: 10kr
(for both ocean
and temperature)



JJA mean Heat Transport Vector and depth of 20C isotherm shaded (heat content)
in 5th Year HIST(1980), RCP(2045) RCM Integration



Summary and Conclusions

- Peninsular Florida's terrestrial and ocean climate work in tandem
- Reductionist systems like just the atmospheric model or the ocean model to downscale could be insufficient
- Wet season of Florida does behave like a monsoon
- That means the Florida wet season is likely a stable feature from the geological times when the peninsula got established and the ocean currents formed
- But Florida wet season was, is and going to have significant variations that can be both naturally forced and or anthropogenically forced