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# Thermal Roughness Length and Bare Soil Evaporation in LMDZOR

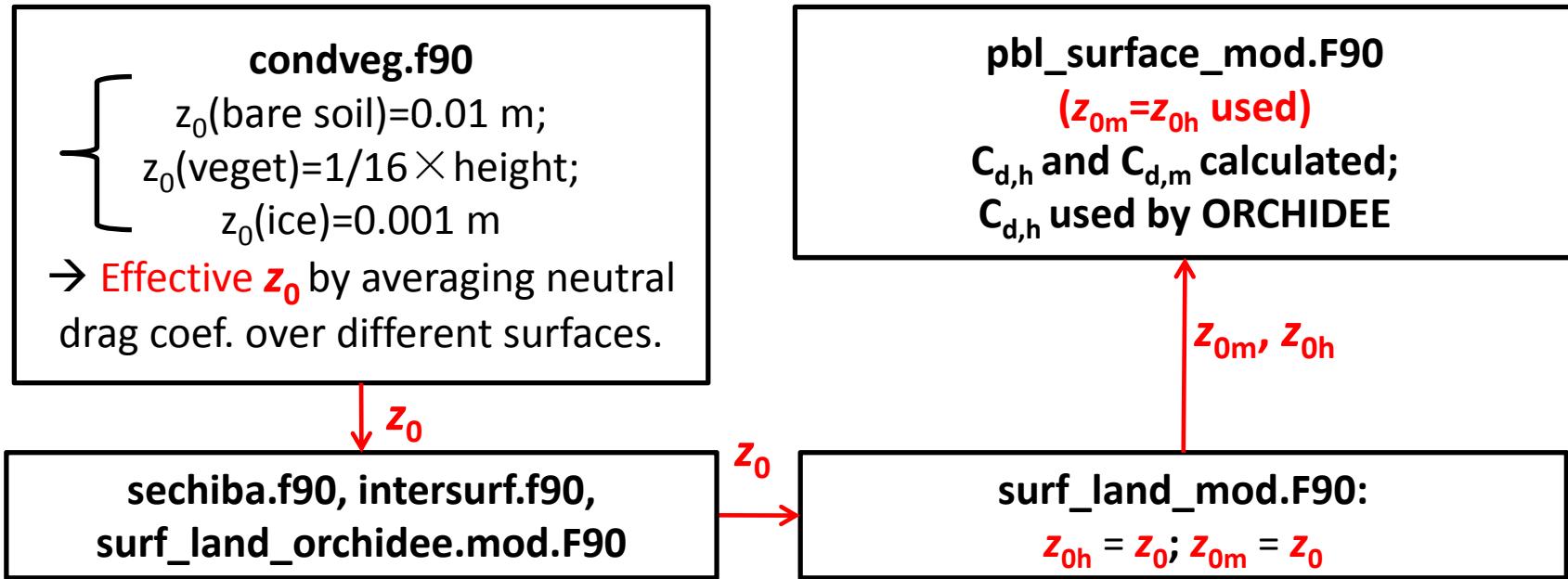
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# $z_0$ in LMDZOR

➤ Surface roughness length for momentum and heat are the same ( $z_{0m} = z_{0h}$ ) in LMDZOR.



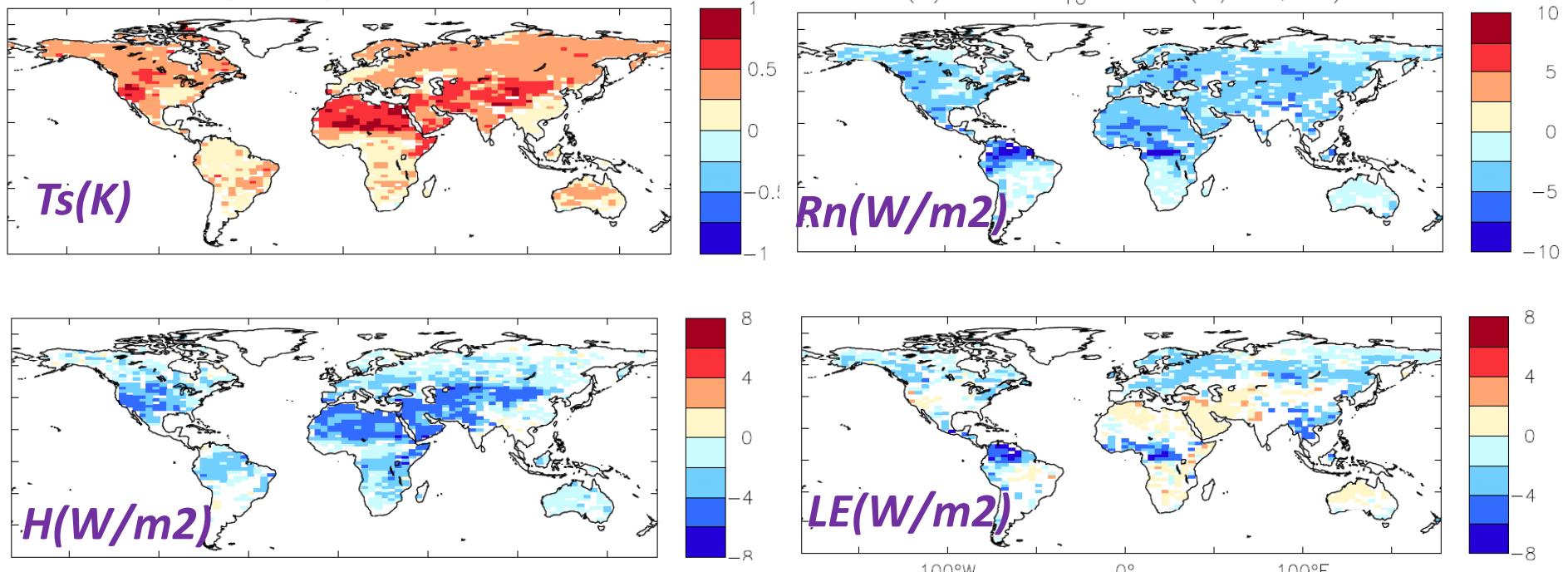
**Experiment Design:** CTL:  $z_{0m} = z_{0h}$ ; EXP<sub>10</sub>:  $z_{0h} = z_{0m}/10$ ; EXP<sub>100</sub>:  $z_{0h} = z_{0m}/100$ ;

**Model:** LMDZ-ORCHIDEE (NPv3.2 + CWRR); Resolution:  $96 \times 95 \times 39$ .

**Simulation:** 5-Year (nudged) after 20 years spin-up; global

# Impacts of $z_{0h}$ on $T_s$ , $R_n$ , $H$ , $LE$ (JJA)

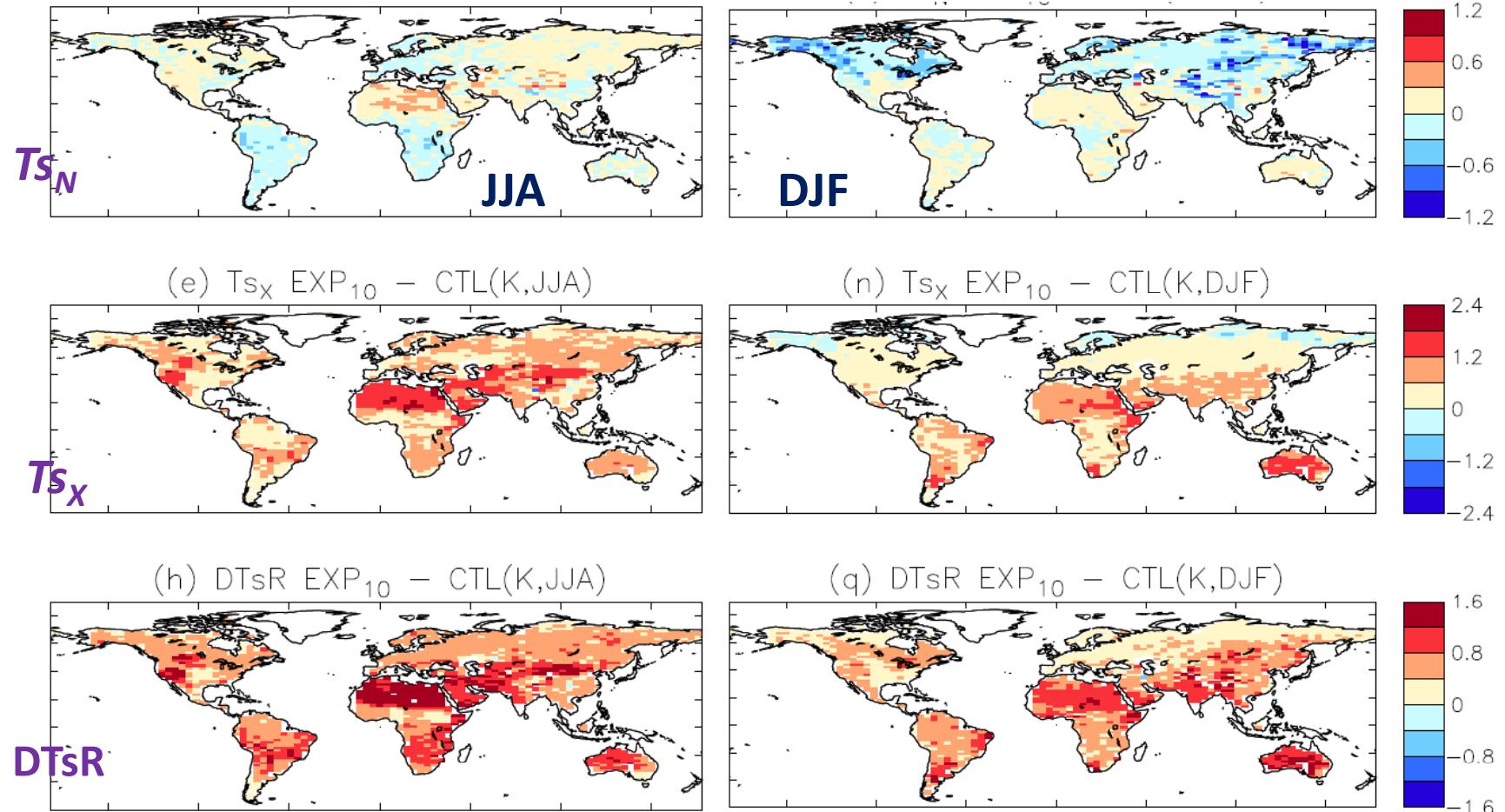
**EXP<sub>10</sub>** ( $z_{0h} = z_{0m} / 10$ ) - **CTL** ( $z_{0m} = z_{0h}$ )



- $z_{0h} \downarrow \rightarrow$  drag coeff.  $\downarrow \rightarrow$  Turbulent heat flux  $\downarrow$  (weaker turbulent exchange);
- $T_s \uparrow$  (0.9-1.8 K); larger change over bare soil (lower soil heat capacity);
- $R_n$  decreases  $\downarrow$  (outgoing  $R_{lw}$   $\uparrow$ );
- The change for EXP<sub>100</sub> ( $z_{0h} = z_{0m} / 100$ ) is even larger.

# Max, Min, DTR of Ts (JJA and DJF)

$\text{EXP}_{10} (z_{0h} = z_{0m} / 10) - \text{CTL} (z_{0m} = z_{0h})$



$Ts_X \uparrow$  (during the day, turbulent heat flux  $\downarrow$ , less cooling).

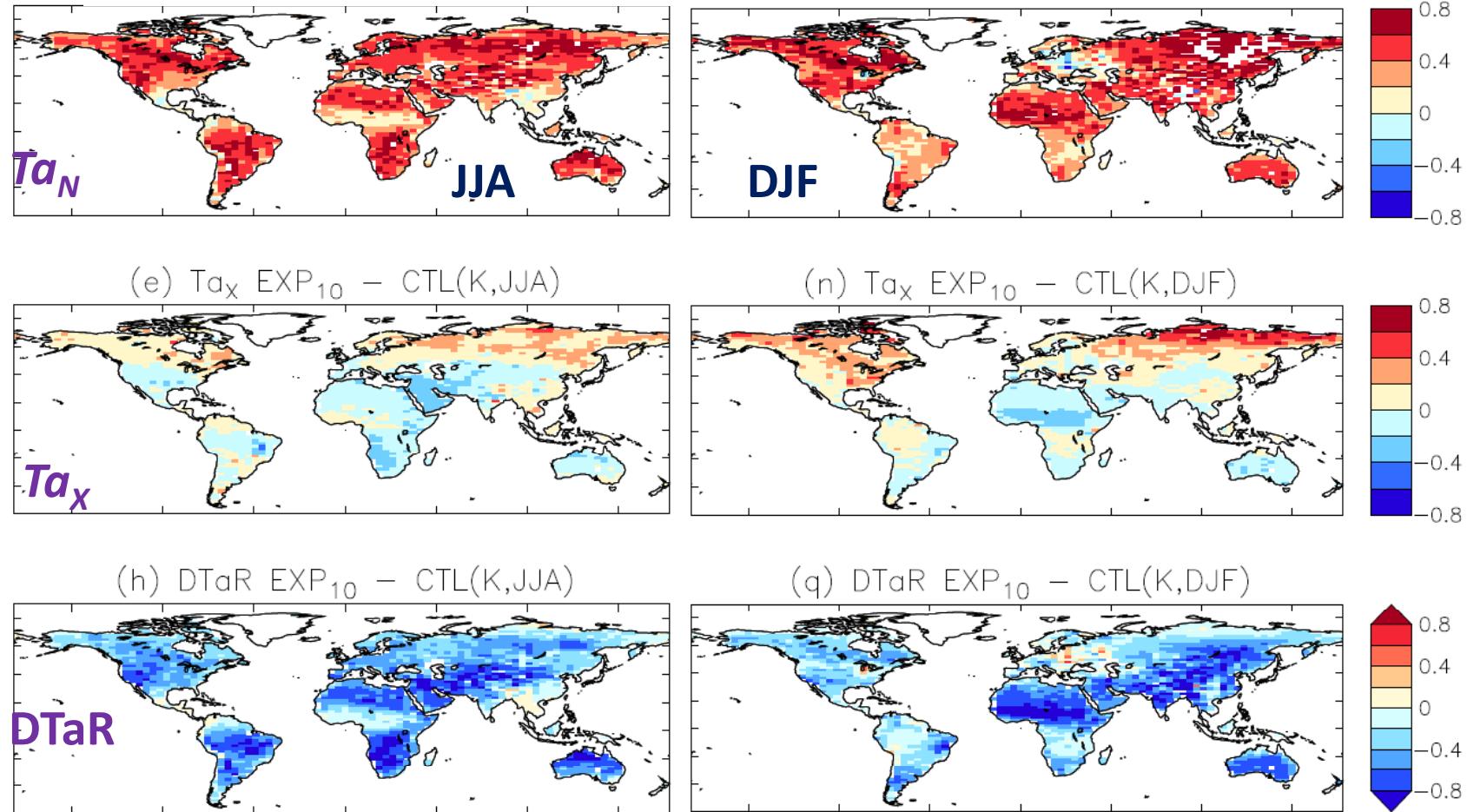
$Ts_N$  small change (weak turbulent heat transfer during night).

$\text{DTsR}$  (Diurnal range of Ts =  $Ts_X - Ts_N$ )  $\uparrow$  (most significant over desert).

# Max, Min, DTR of Ta (JJA and DJF)

$\text{EXP}_{10} (z_{0h} = z_{0m} / 10) - \text{CTL} (z_{0m} = z_{0h})$

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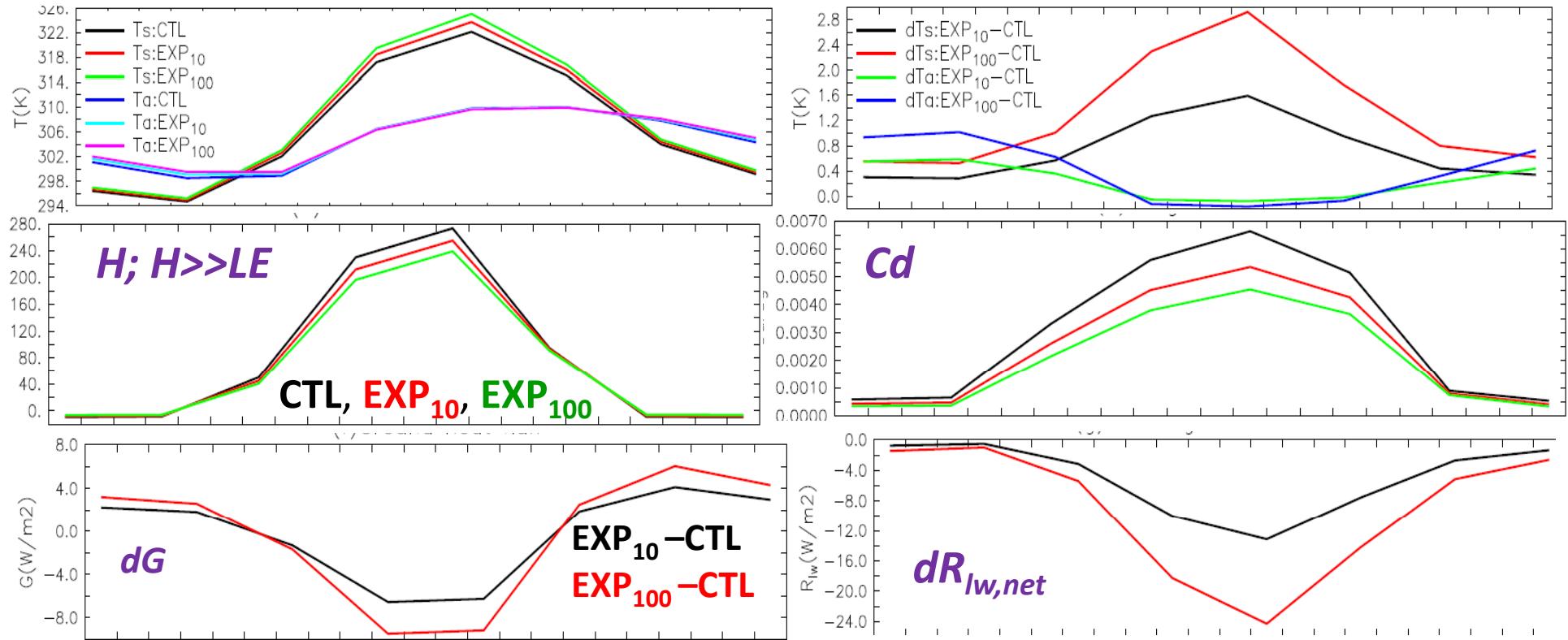


Daytime:  $Cd \downarrow \rightarrow H+LE \downarrow$  (weaker turbulent)  $\rightarrow Ts \uparrow \rightarrow$  heat absorbed by soil  $\uparrow$ ;  $H+LE \downarrow$  compensated by  $R_{lw,up} \uparrow$  (little difference of diabatic heating of the lowest layer,  $Ta$  less affected).  
 Nighttime:  $H \sim 0$ ,  $Cd$  changes small; heat released by soil  $\uparrow$ ,  $R_{lw,up} \uparrow \rightarrow Ts, Ta \uparrow$

# Diurnal Cycles (Arid Environment)

Sahara desert [10W-10E, 20N-25N], July

DTsR ↑; DTR ↓



Daytime:  $H$  large,  $Cd \downarrow \rightarrow H \downarrow$  (weaker turbulent transfer)  $\rightarrow Ts \uparrow \rightarrow$  heat absorbed by soil  $\uparrow$ ;  $H \downarrow$  compensated by  $R_{lw,up} \uparrow$  (little difference of diabatic heating of the lowest layer,  $Ta$  less affected).

Nighttime:  $H \sim 0$ ,  $Cd$  changes small; heat released by soil  $\uparrow$ ,  $R_{lw,up} \uparrow \rightarrow Ts, Ta \uparrow$

# Bare Soil Evap. in LMDZOR

BSE overestimated in LMDZOR.

- In trunk:

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IF ((evapot.GT.min_sechiba).AND.(tmc_litter(jst).GT.(tmc_litter_wilt(jst)))) THEN
    evap_bare_lim_ns(jst) = evap_bare_lim_ns(jst) / evapot
ELSEIF((evapot.GT.min_sechiba).AND. (tmc_litter(jst).GT.(tmc_litter_res(jst)))) THEN
    evap_bare_lim_ns(jst) = (un/deux) * evap_bare_lim_ns(jst) / evapot
ELSE
    evap_bare_lim_ns(jst) = zero
END IF
evap_bare_lim_ns(jst)=MAX(MIN(evap_bare_lim_ns(jst),1.),0.); ! it is used to calculate the BSE at next step.
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- Revised: In a GCM grid, when the average moisture is low, probably part of the grid is already dry.

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IF (soil_wet_litter.LT. threshold) THEN
    evap_bare_lim_ns(jst) = evap_bare_lim_ns(jst) / evapot * MIN(soil_wet_litter(jst)/threshold, 1)
ELSE
    evap_bare_lim_ns(jst) = evap_bare_lim_ns(jst) / evapot
END
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soil\_wet\_litter(jst) = (tmc\_litter(jst)-tmc\_litter\_wilt(jst))/(tmc\_litter\_field(jst)-tmc\_litter\_wilt(jst))  
soil\_wet\_litter is between 0 and 1.

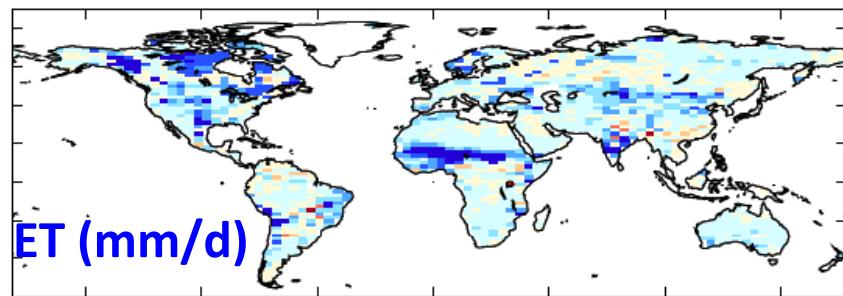
Experiments: CTL: same as trunk; EXP<sub>BSE</sub>: threshold = 0.5.

Simulations: CWRR+NPv3.2; 96×95×39; 1Y (nudged)

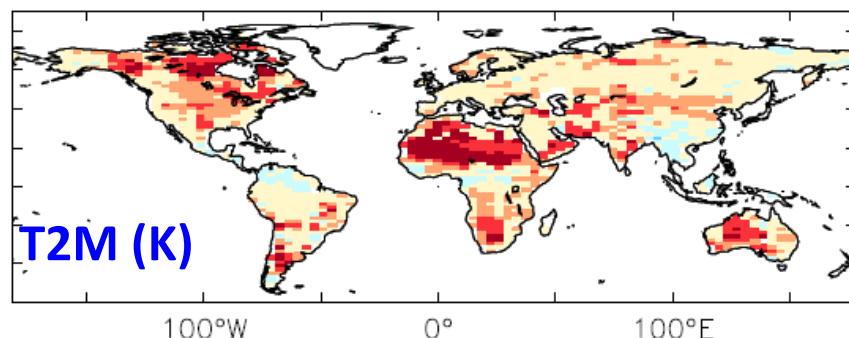
# Diff.(EXP<sub>BSE</sub> -CTL ): ET & T2M

JJA

(a) EVAP(mm/d), EXP<sub>BSEFRAC</sub>-CTL

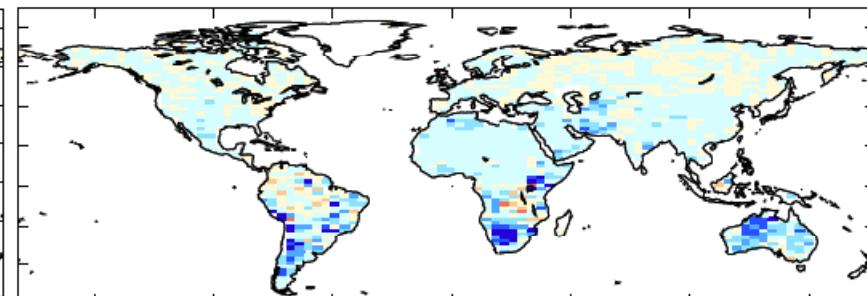


(h) T2M(K), EXP<sub>BSEFRAC</sub>-CTL, JJ

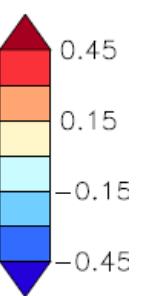
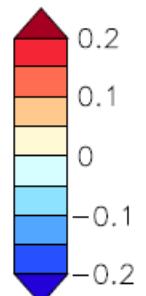
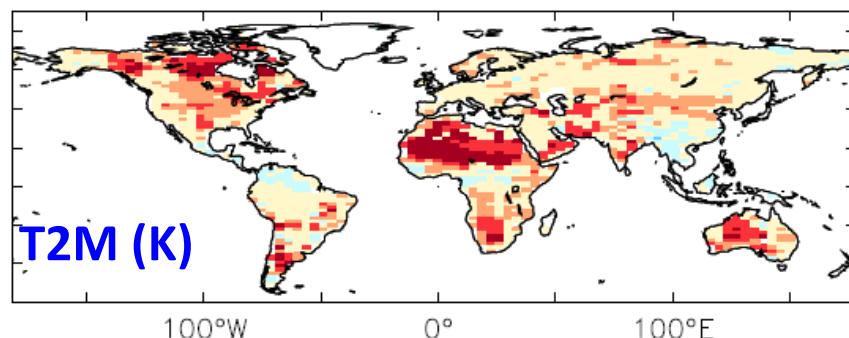


DJF

(a) EVAP(mm/d), EXP<sub>BSEFRAC</sub>-CTL, DJF



(h) T2M(K), EXP<sub>BSEFRAC</sub>-CTL, DJF

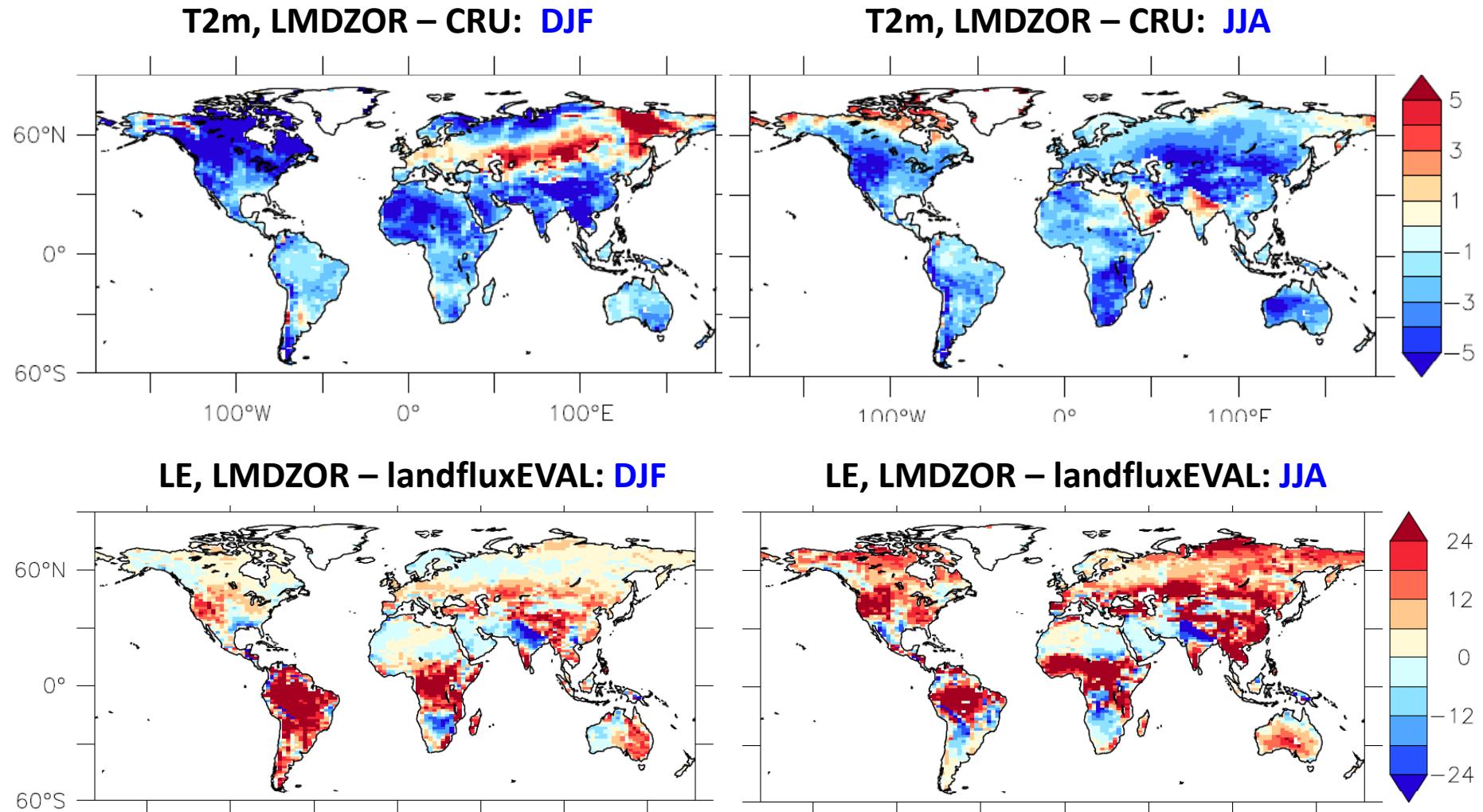


T2M↑, ET↓.

Thank You for Your Attention !<sub>8</sub>

# Bias in T2M (underestim.) & LE (overestim.)

ORC (CWRR): r2992; LMDZ (NPv5.17h): r2327;  $144 \times 142 \times 79$ ; 5Y climatology.



- (1) In LMDZOR, T2m underestimated (LE overestimated) over most regions;
- (2) Lower  $z_{0h}$  could eliminate part of T2m and LE bias.