

# Impact of future marine and shipping aerosol emissions in a warming Arctic

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# Future ice-free Arctic summer

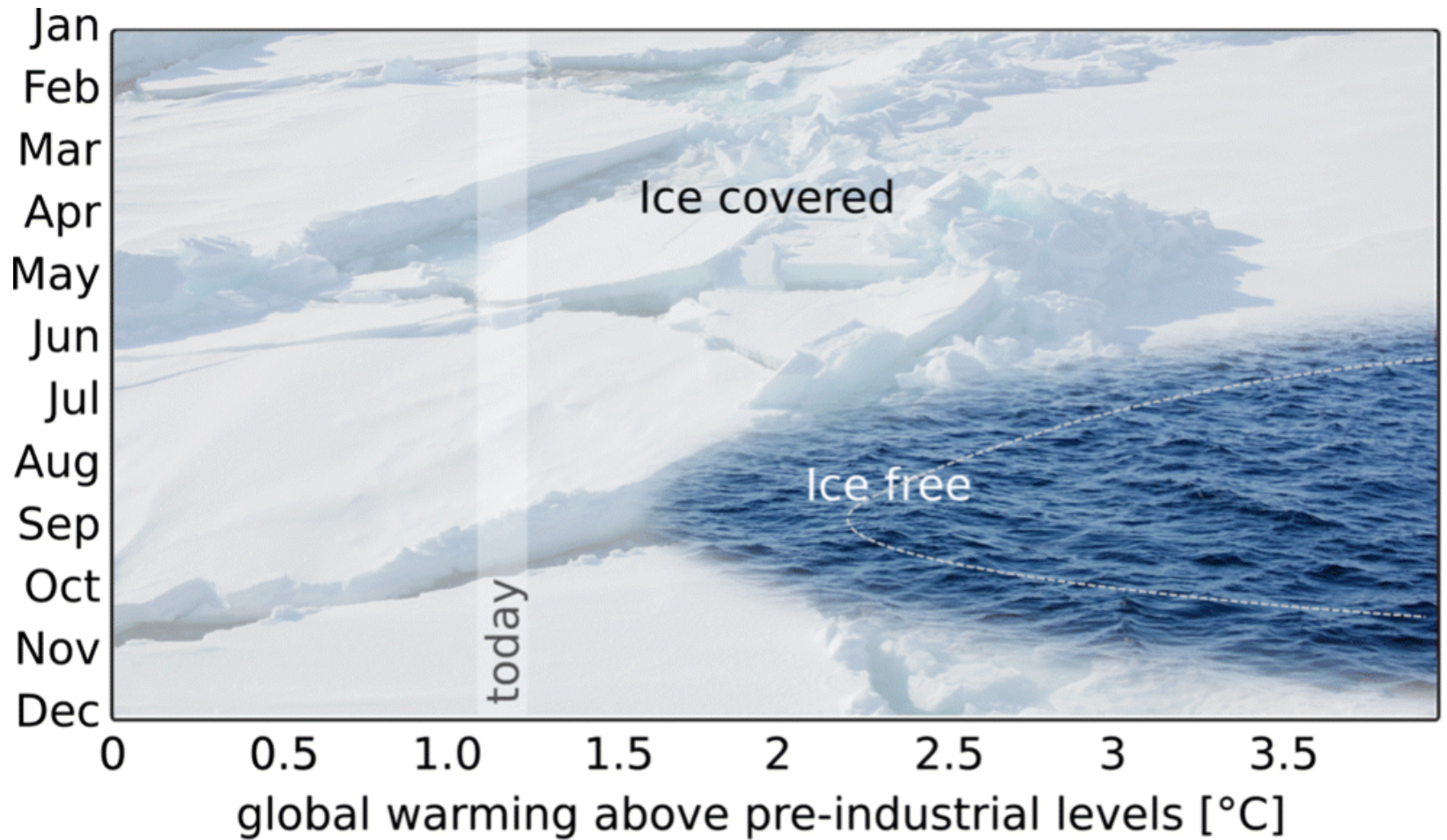


Figure from Notz and Stroeve (2018)

# Changes in natural emissions

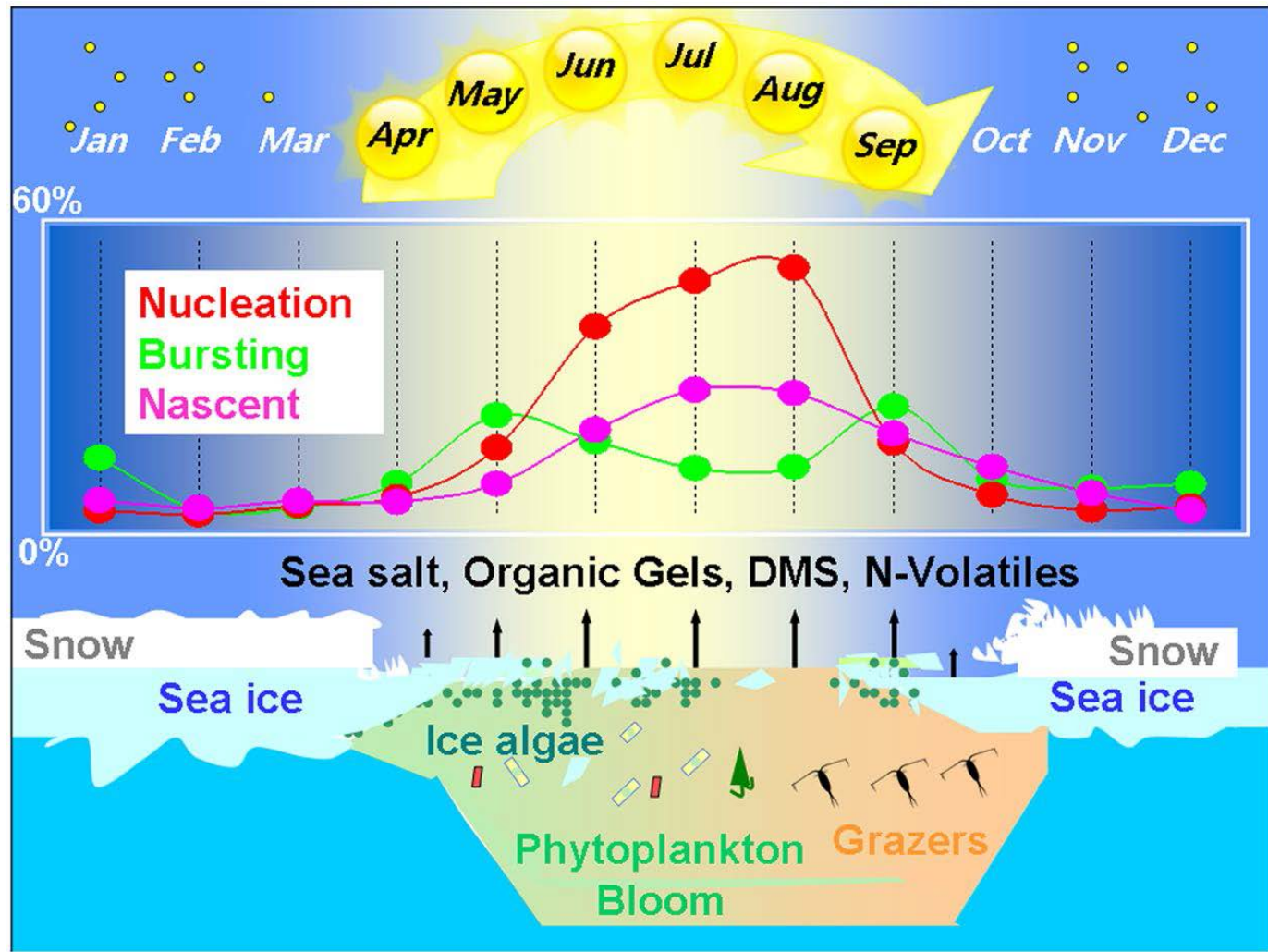


Figure from Dall'Osto et al. (2017)

# Changes in anthropogenic emissions

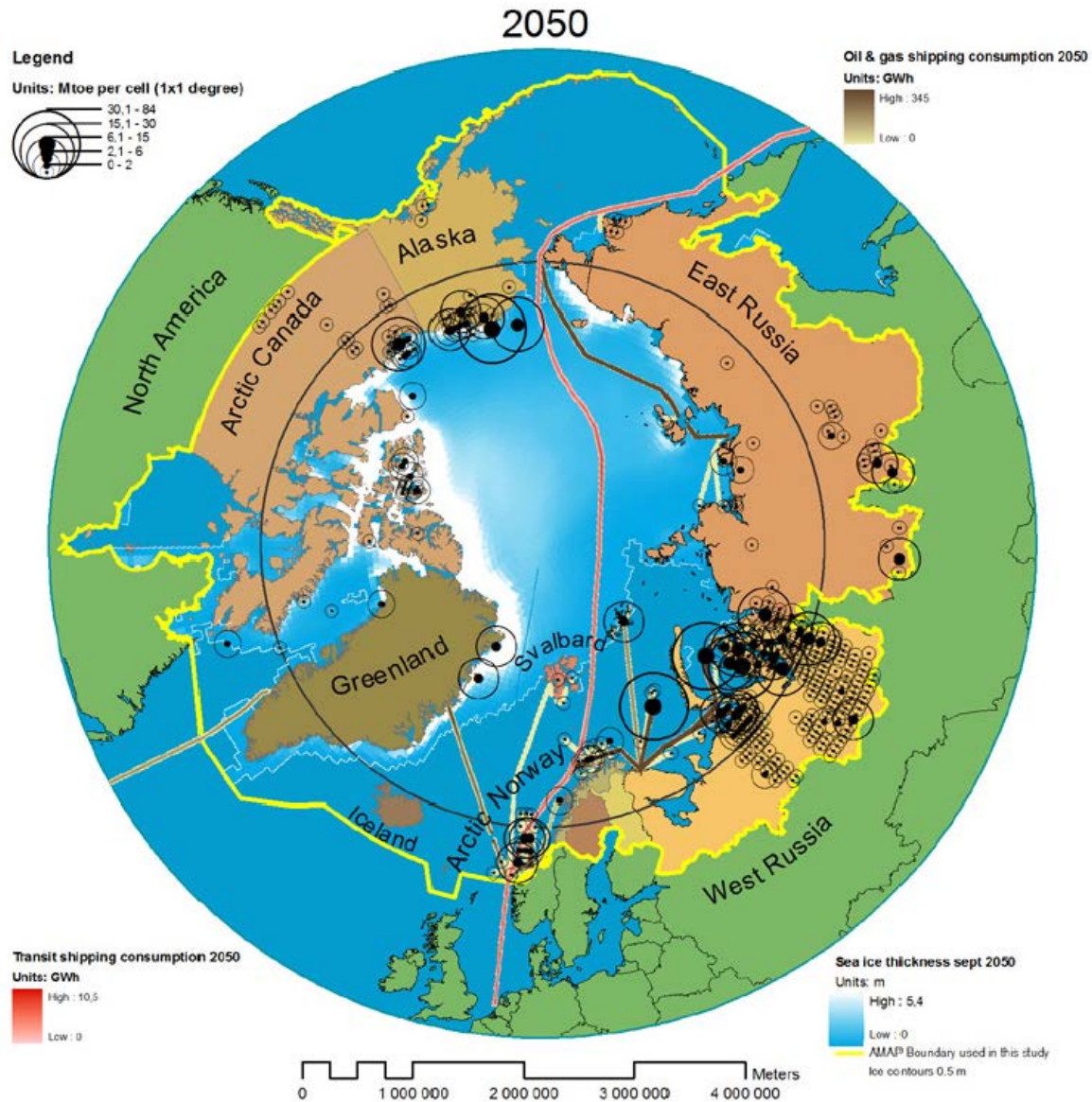
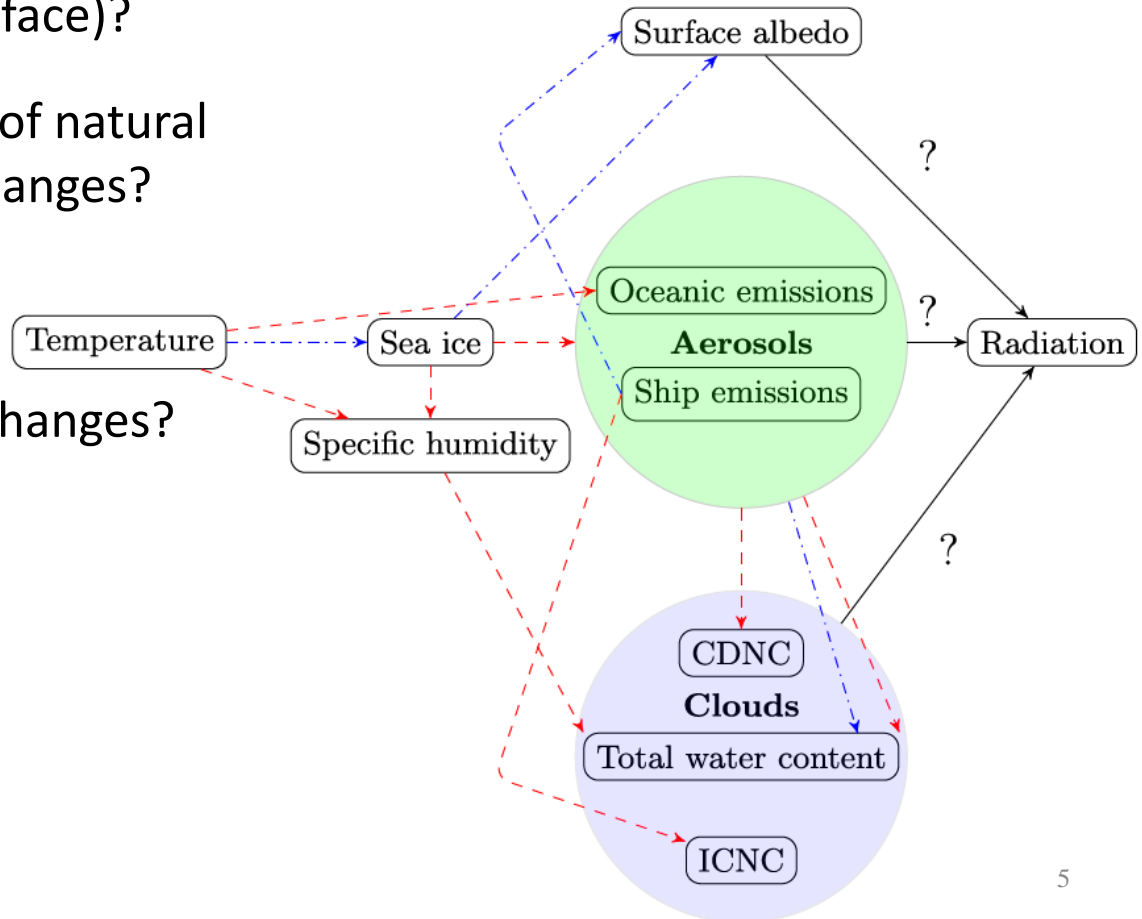


Figure from Peters et al. (2011)

# Questions

- How do aerosol and cloud radiative effects change in an ice-free Arctic?
- What is the impact of the sea ice retreat (albedo change/warmer surface)?
- What is the impact of natural aerosol emission changes?
- What is the impact of anthropogenic shipping emission changes?



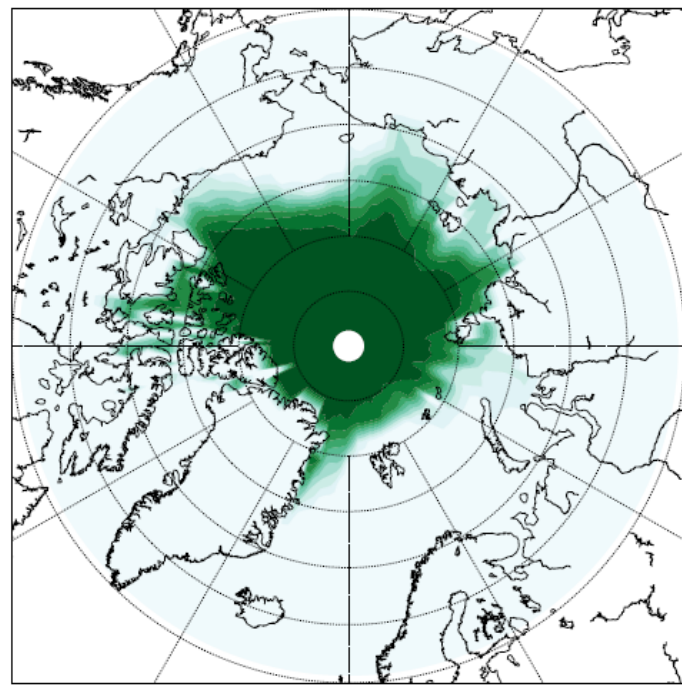


# ECHAM6-HAM2 atmospheric experiments

Natural emission changes, two experiments (20 ensemble members each):

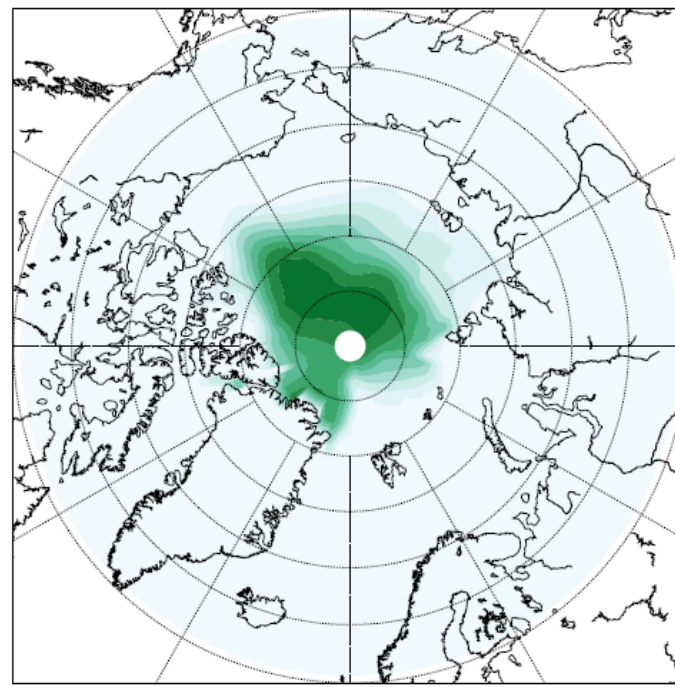
- (1) 2004 greenhouse gases and sea surface temperatures/sea ice prescribed
- (2) 2050 greenhouse gases and sea surface temperatures/sea ice prescribed
  - both: 2004 anthropogenic aerosol emissions prescribed
  - both: sea salt, dimethyl sulfide (DMS) and dust emissions calculated online

**2004 (Sept./Oct.)**



Sea ice concentration [%]

**2050 (Sept./Oct.)**



Sea ice concentration [%]

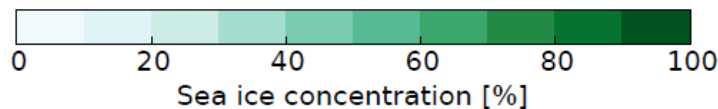
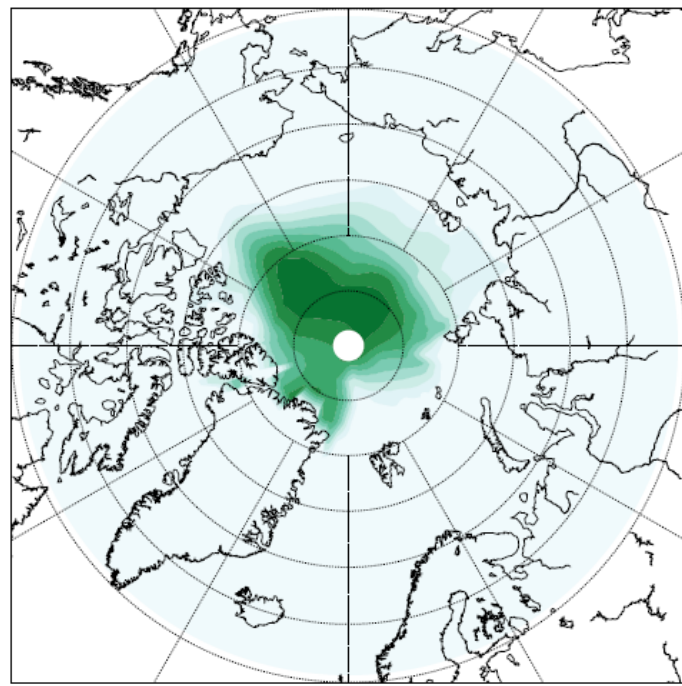


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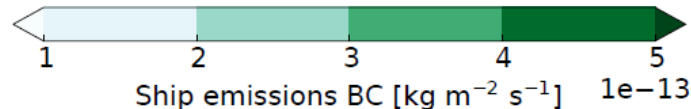
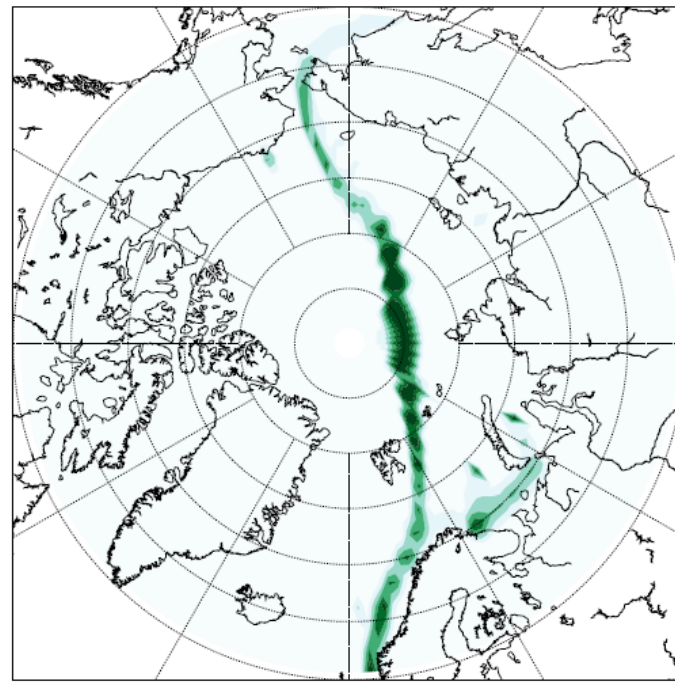
Shipping emission changes, two experiments (20 ensemble members each):

- (1) without increased Arctic shipping emissions
- (2) with increased Arctic shipping emissions (10x Peters et al., 2011)
  - both: 2050 sea surface temperatures/sea ice prescribed
  - both: 2050 (RCP8.5) anthropogenic aerosol emissions prescribed

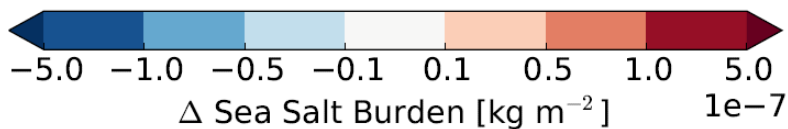
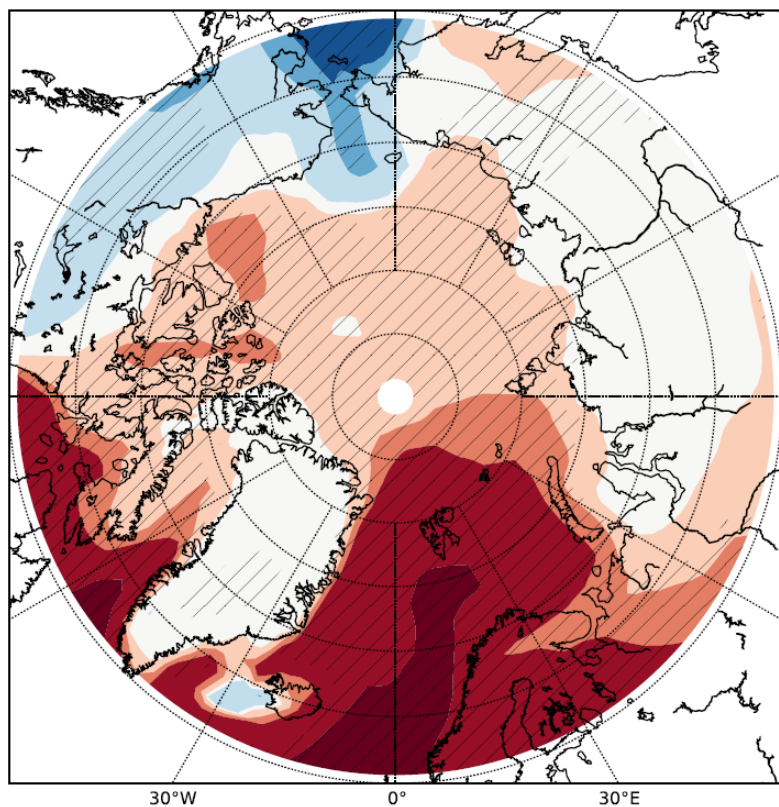
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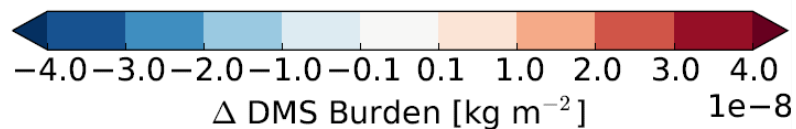
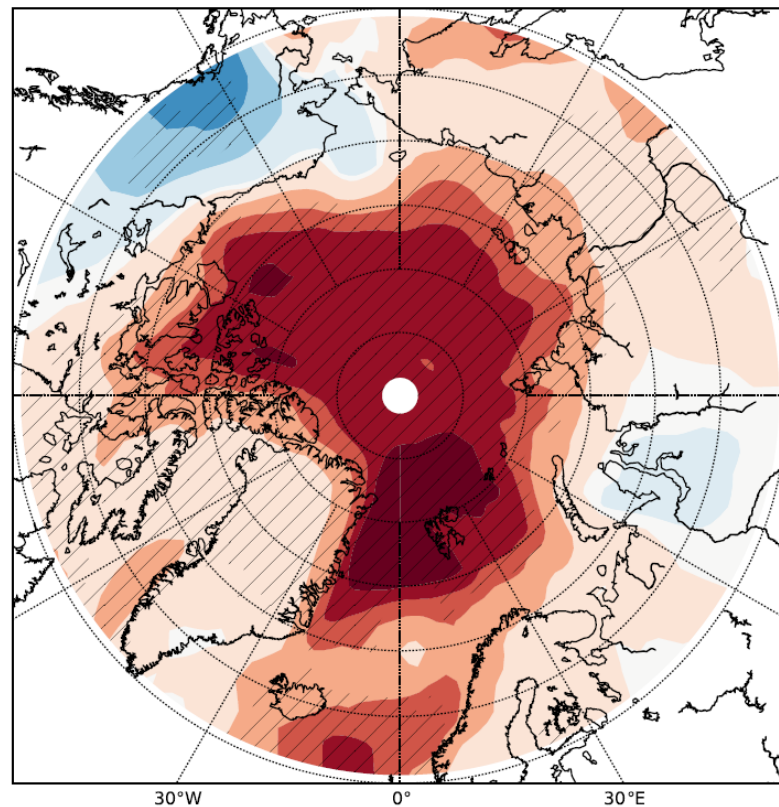
2050 (Sept./Oct.)



# Increases in marine aerosol (2004→2050, Sept./Oct.)



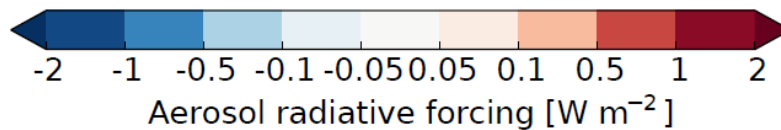
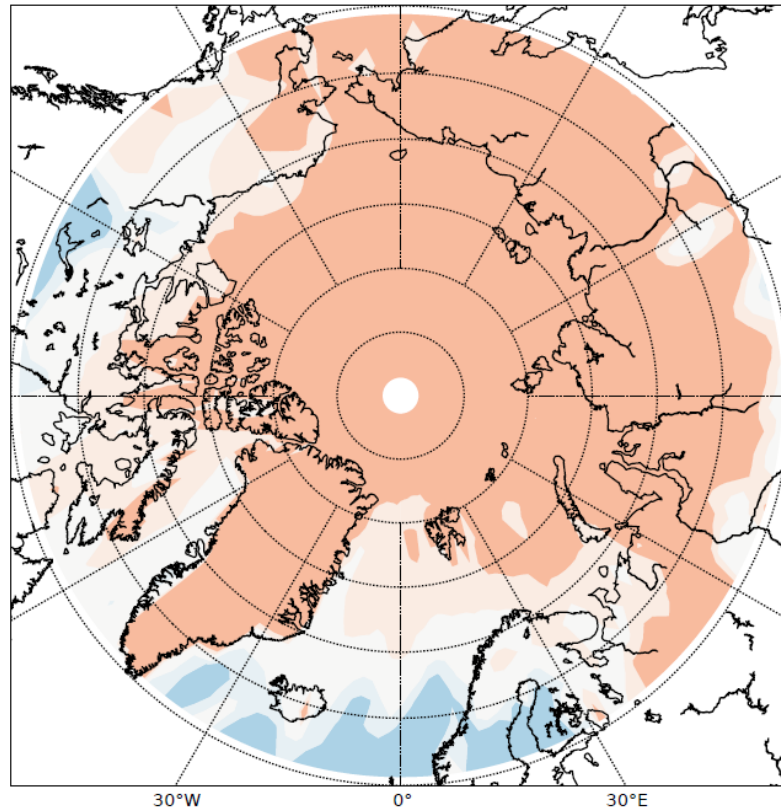
60°N-90°N: +31%



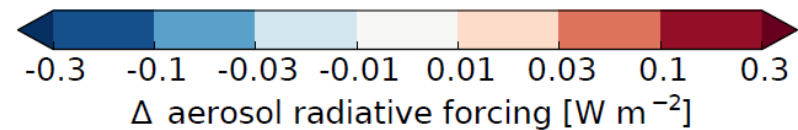
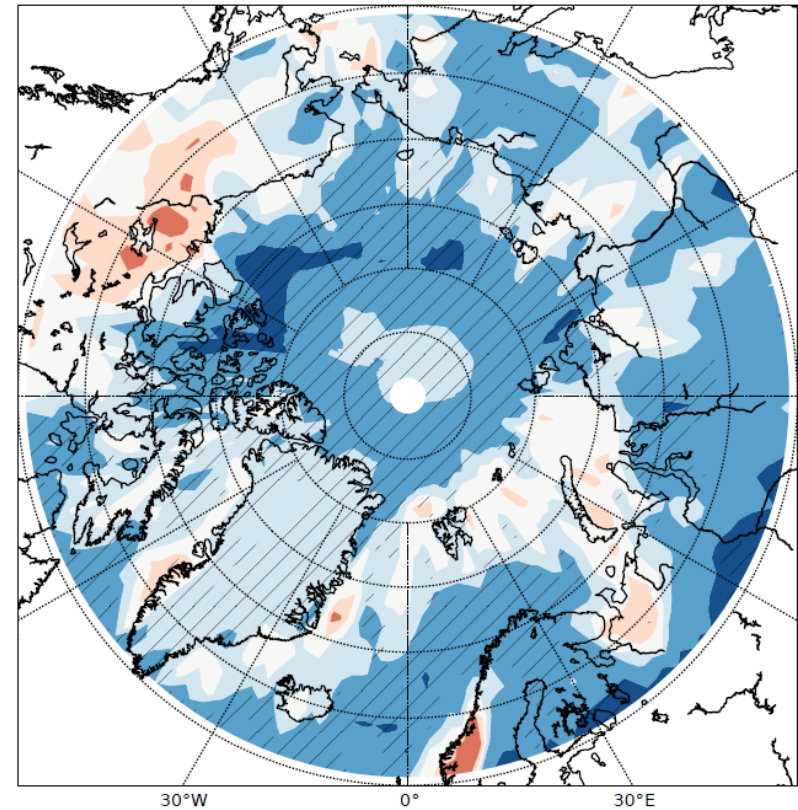
60°N-90°N: +20%



# Natural direct aerosol radiative effect changes (2004→2050, Sept./Oct.)



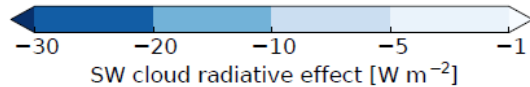
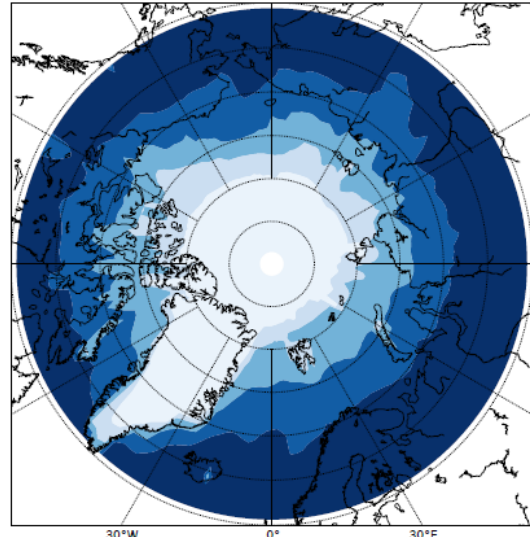
60°N-90°N: 0.019 W m<sup>-2</sup>



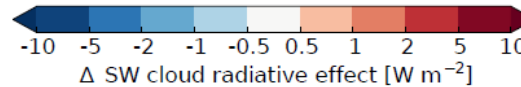
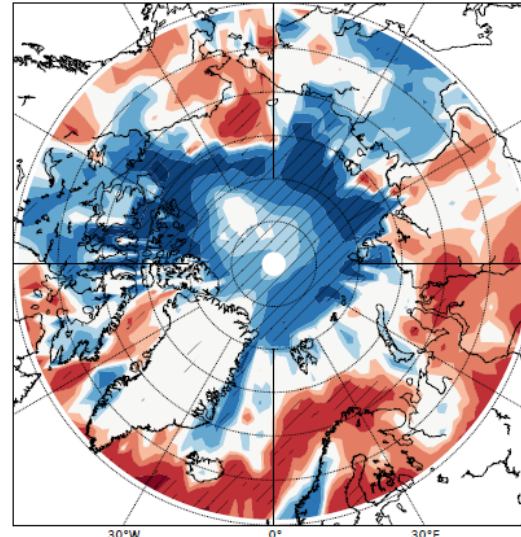
60°N-90°N: -74%

- Small positive aerosol radiative effect becomes weaker

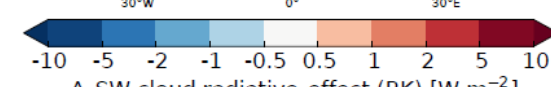
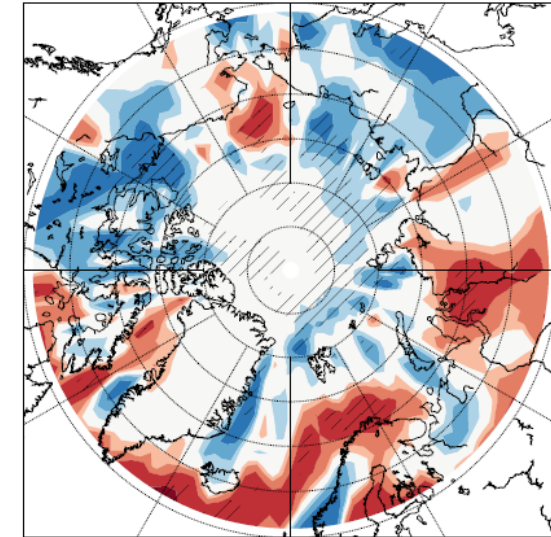
# Shortwave (SW) cloud radiative effect (CRE) changes (2004→2050, Sept./Oct.)



75°N-90°N:  $-7.8 \text{ W m}^{-2}$



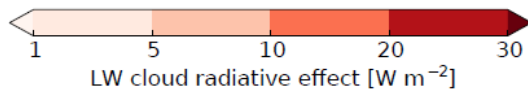
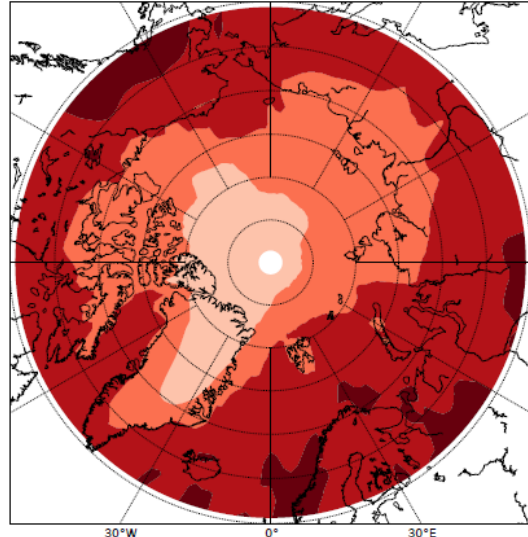
75°N-90°N:  $-2.2 \text{ W m}^{-2}$



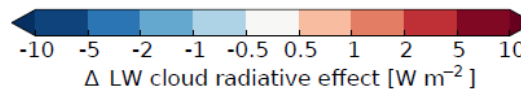
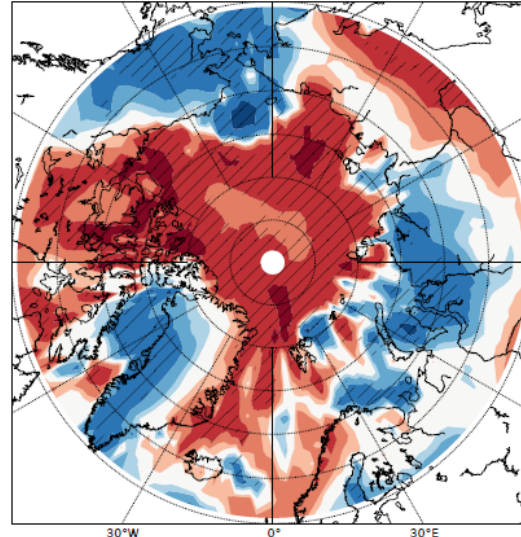
75°N-90°N:  $-0.4 \text{ W m}^{-2}$

- Change in surface albedo is more important than change in cloud properties
- SW CRE (Radiative Kernel, RK): increase in cloud optical thickness (increased cloud condensation nuclei, humidity) and low cloud cover

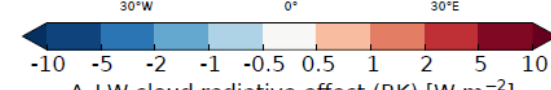
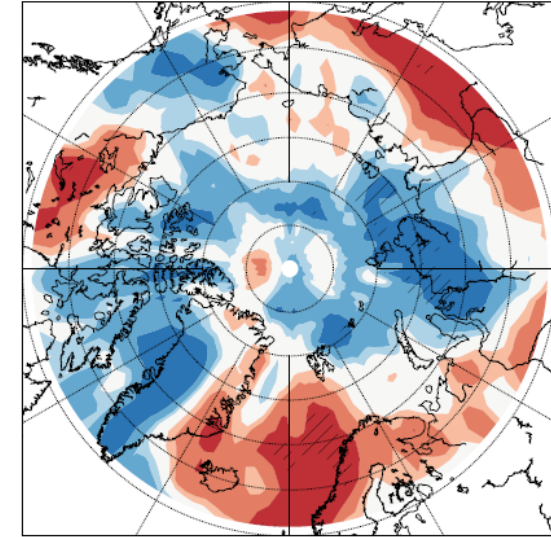
# Longwave (LW) cloud radiative effect changes (2004→2050, Sept./Oct.)



75°N-90°N: 13 W m<sup>-2</sup>



75°N-90°N: 2.0 W m<sup>-2</sup>



75°N-90°N: -1.0 W m<sup>-2</sup>

- Change in surface temperature is more important than change in cloud properties

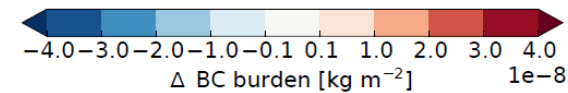
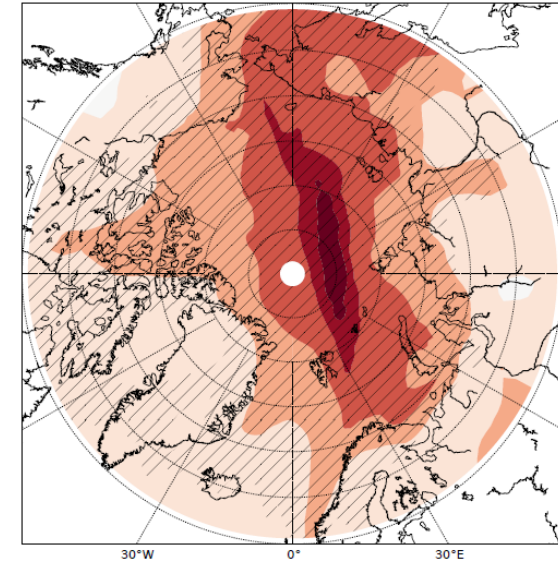
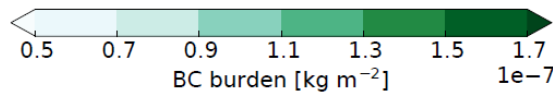
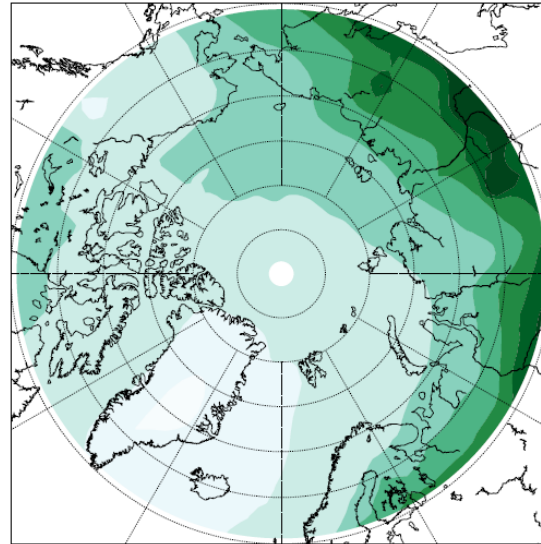
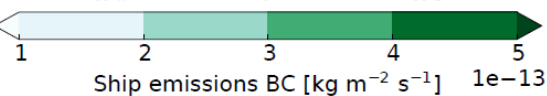
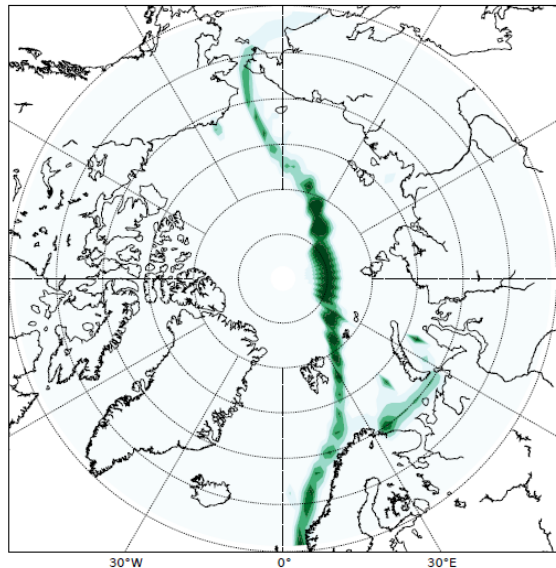
# Summary - Natural aerosol emission changes

- Direct radiative aerosol effect and BC deposition on snow unimportant
- Albedo changes more important than changes in cloud properties
- No large potential for aerosol-mediated feedbacks



What is the impact of additional shipping?

# Increased Arctic ship emissions (2050, Sept./Oct.)

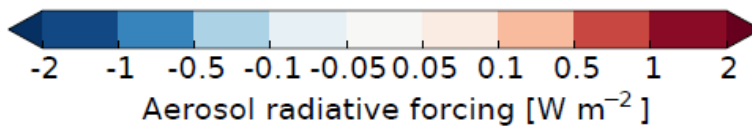
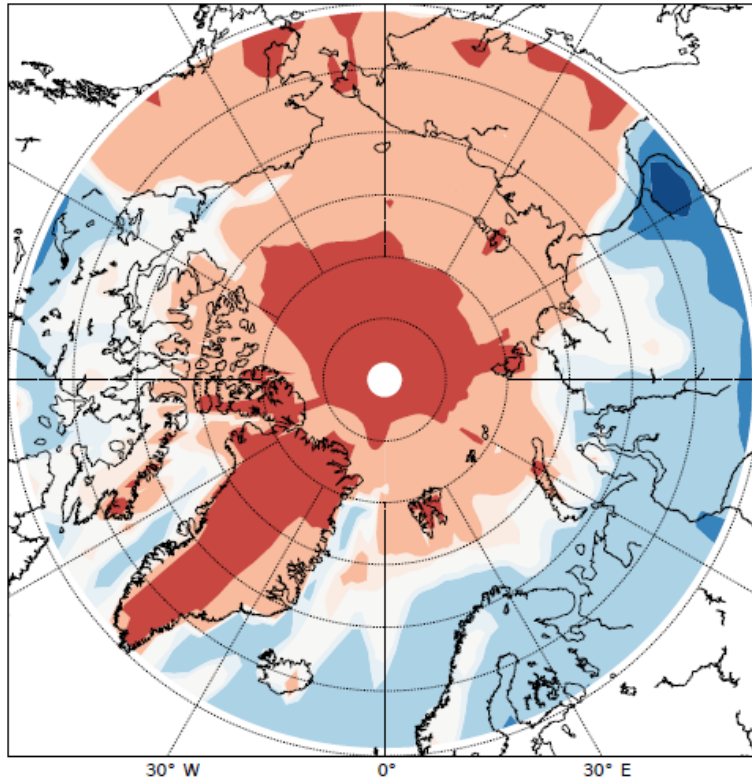


60°N-90°N:  $0.95 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ kg m}^{-2}$

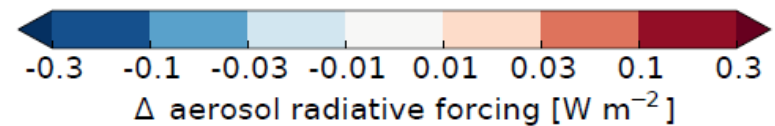
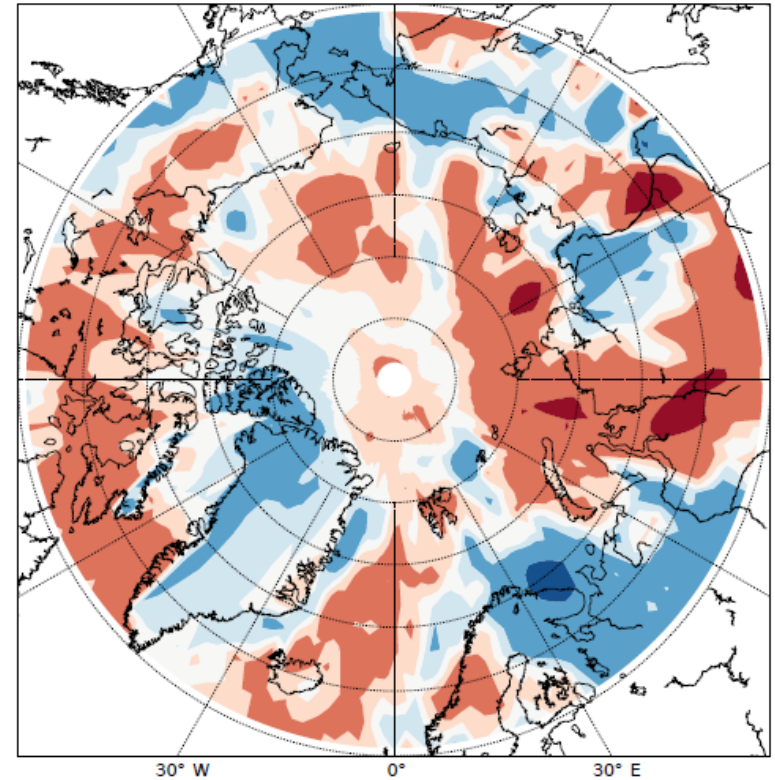
60°N-90°N: +13%

- Considerable increase in black carbon (BC) (weaker increase of sulfate/organic carbon) near the surface and higher up

# Natural direct aerosol radiative effect changes (2050, July/Aug.)



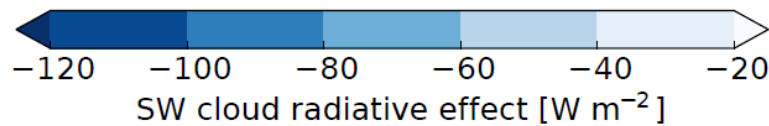
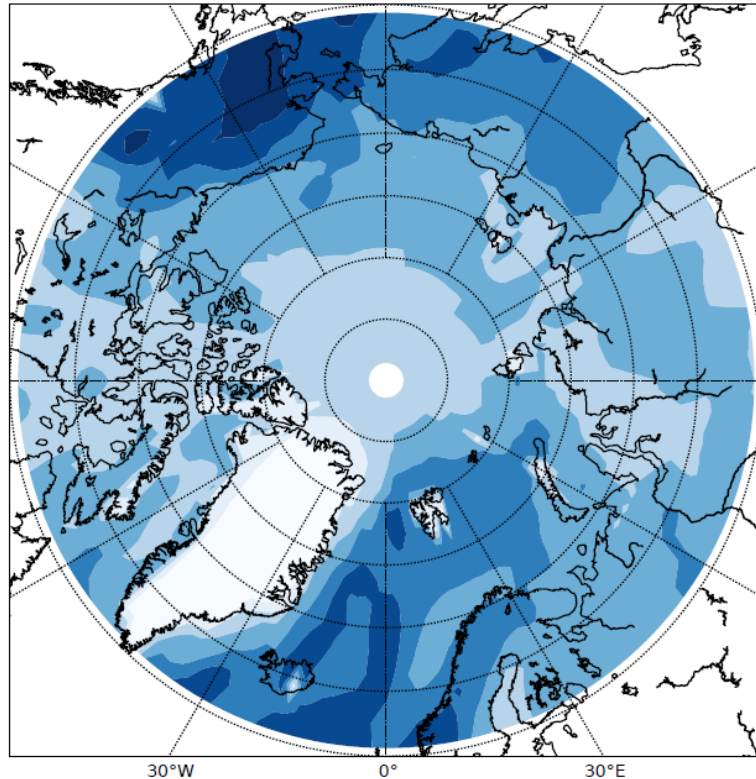
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60°N-90°N: -7.1%

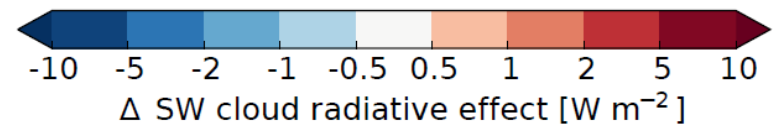
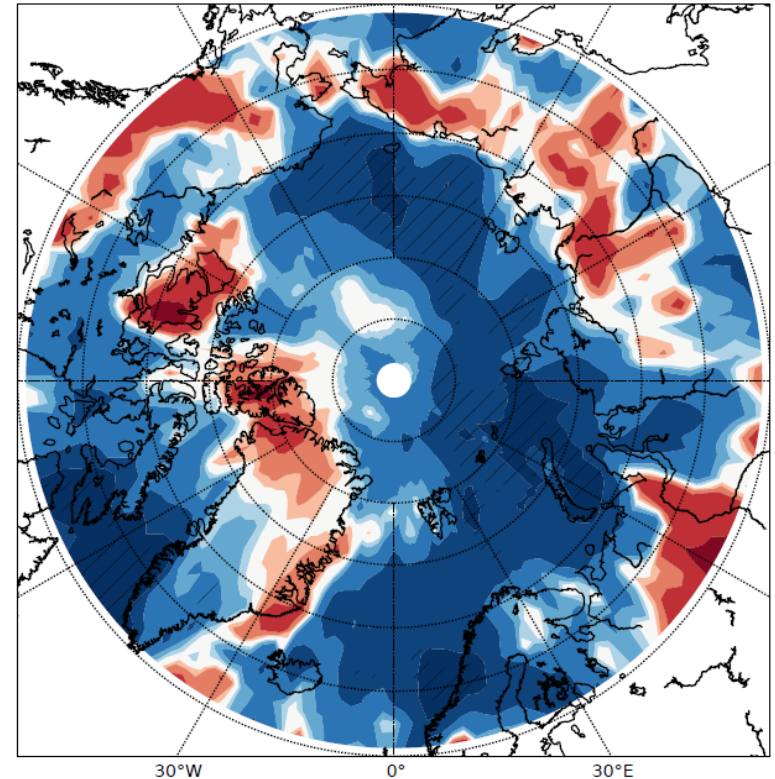
- No significant change in small positive aerosol radiative effect

# SW cloud radiative forcing (2050, July/Aug.)



60°N-90°N: -69 W m<sup>-2</sup>

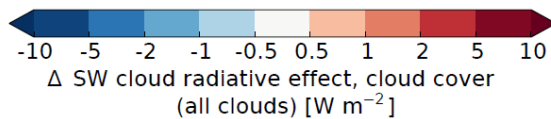
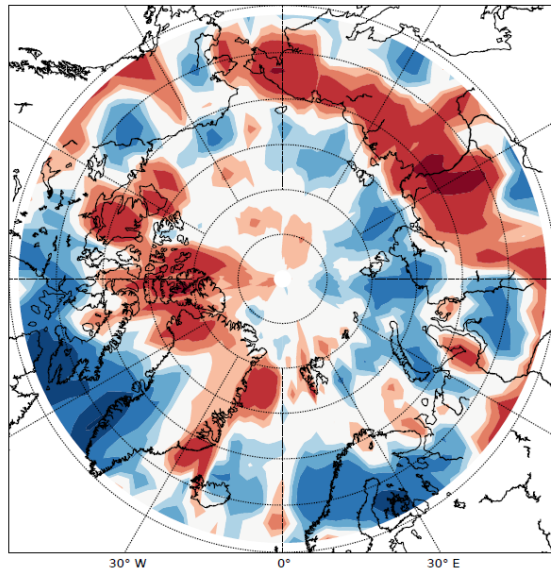
- SW CRE is significantly more negative with additional ship emissions



60°N-90°N: -2.9 W m<sup>-2</sup>

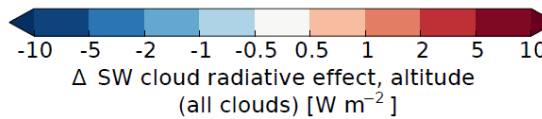
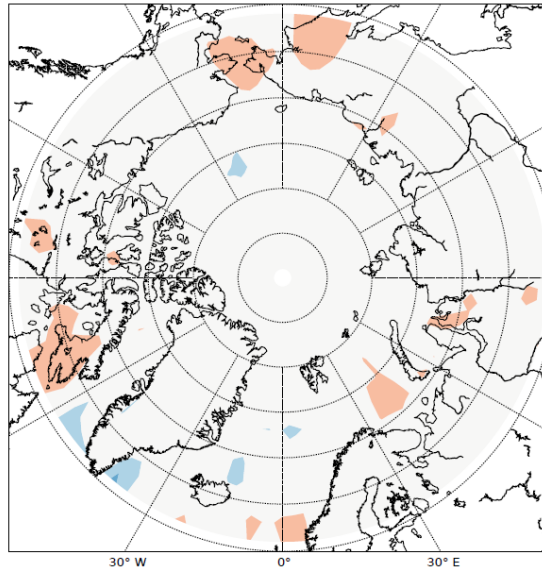
# Components of SW cloud radiative forcing (2050, July/Aug.)

## Cloud cover



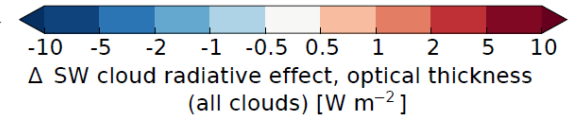
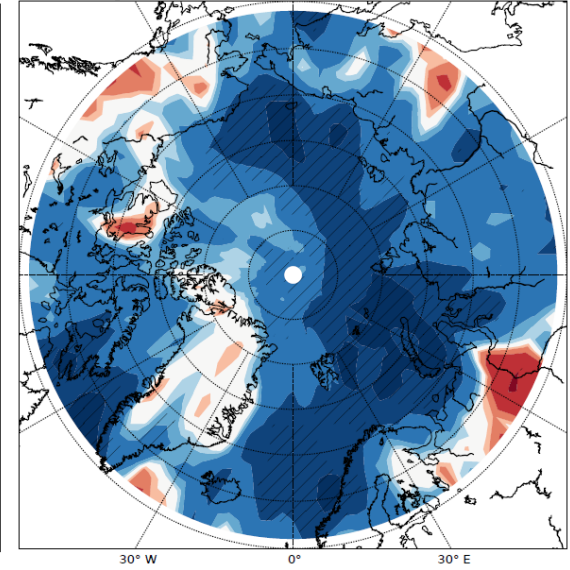
60°N-90°N:  $-0.1 \text{ W m}^{-2}$

## Altitude



60°N-90°N:  $0.1 \text{ W m}^{-2}$

## Optical thickness



60°N-90°N:  $-3.6 \text{ W m}^{-2}$

- Change in cloud optical thickness most pronounced (mostly in low clouds)



# Summary and Outlook

- **No large potential for aerosol-mediated feedbacks in the Arctic Summer/Fall (Albedo/Planck feedbacks dominate)**
- **Additional Arctic ship emissions could lead to a cooling effect but only for upper emission estimate**
- Earth system model simulations to test feedbacks of additional Arctic ship emissions
- Extension to all seasons

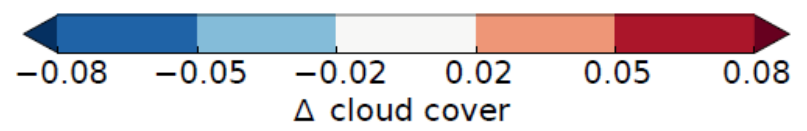
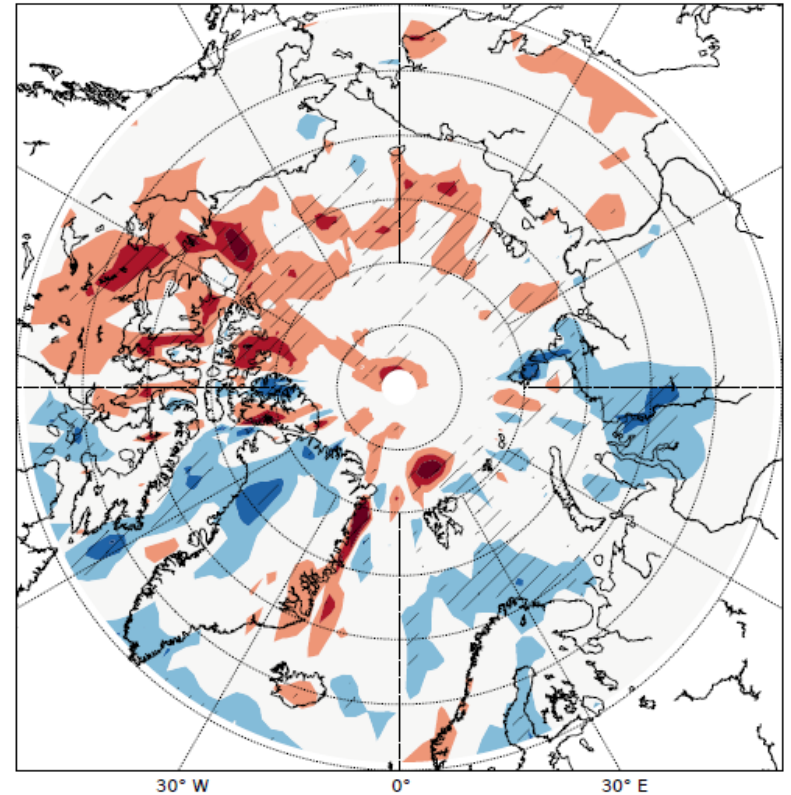
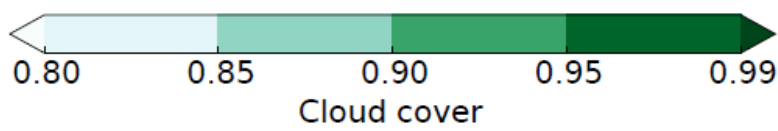
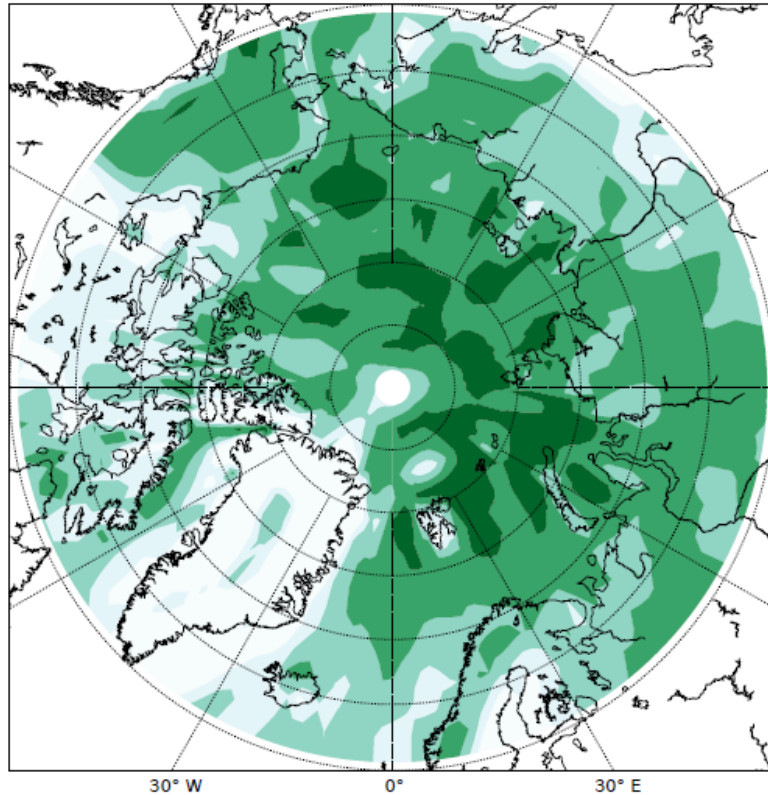
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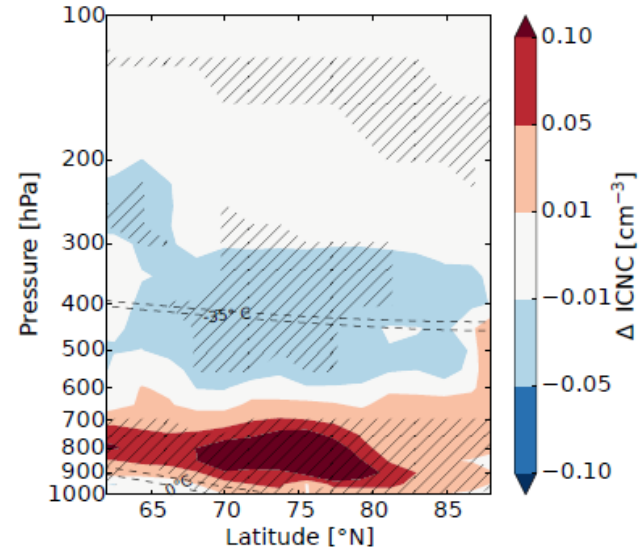
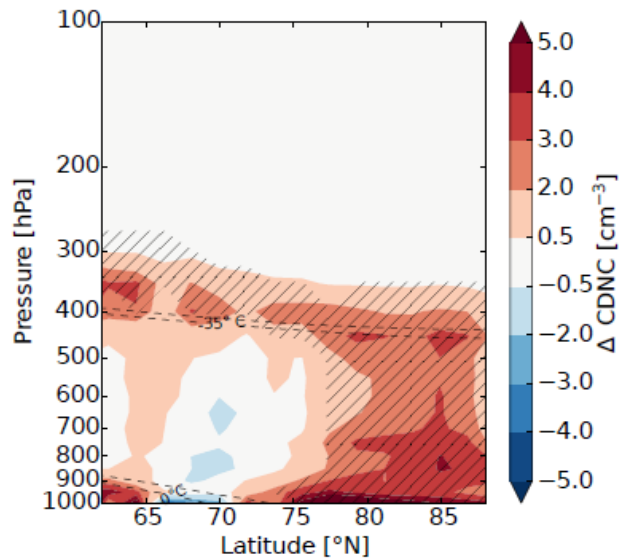
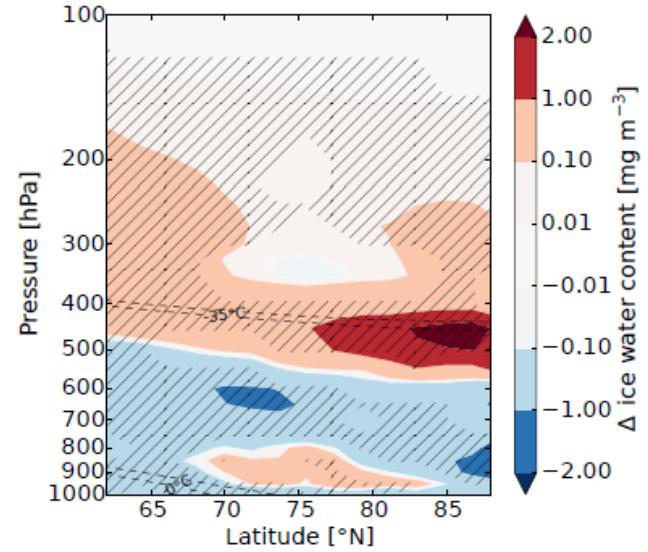
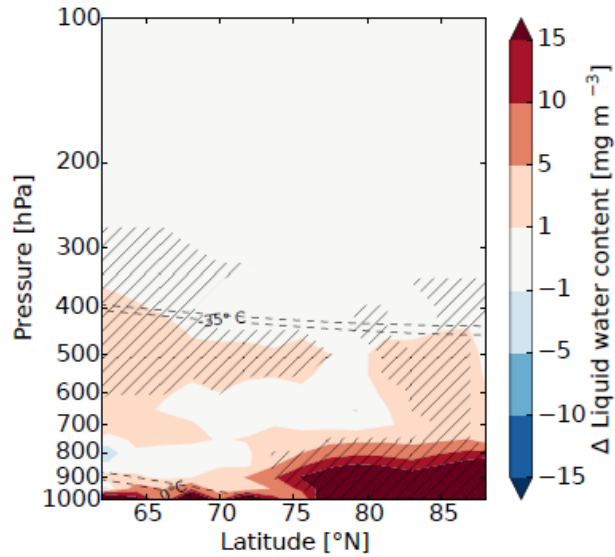
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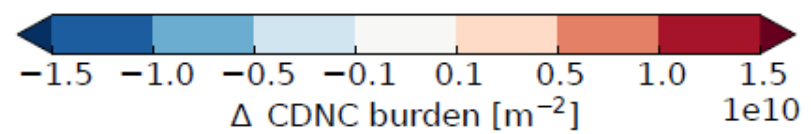
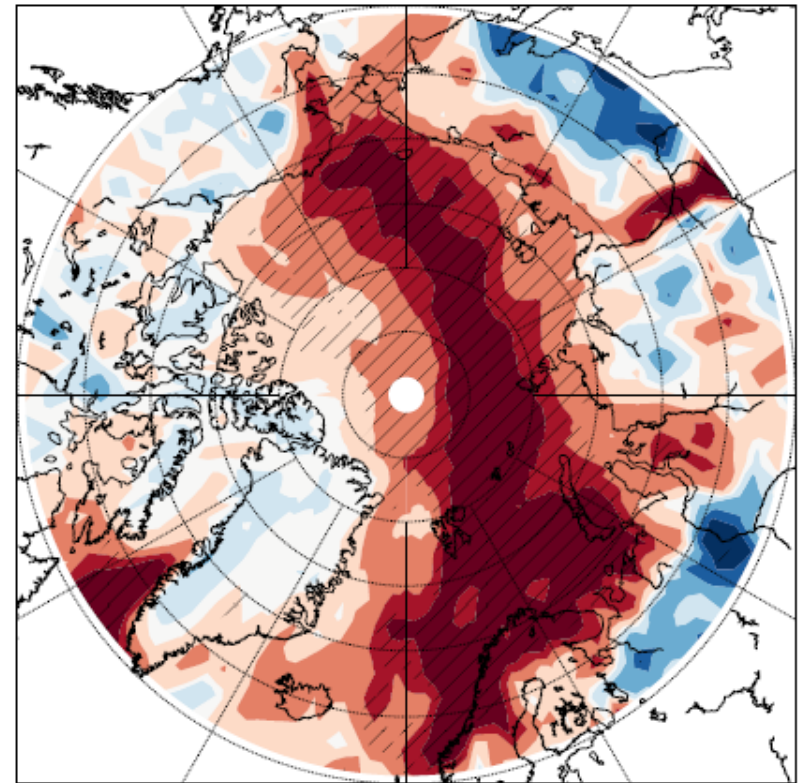
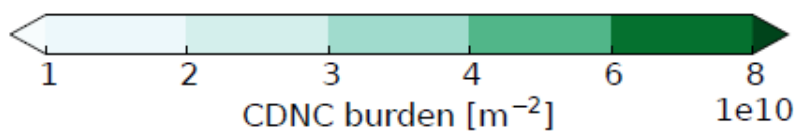
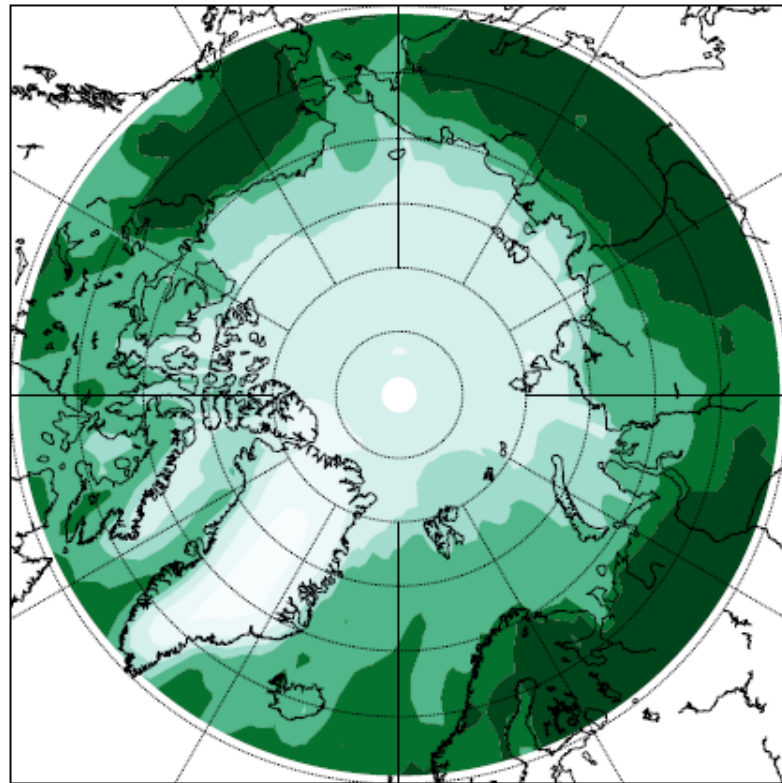
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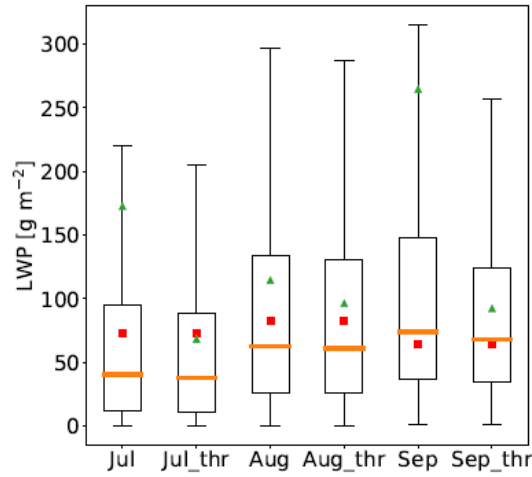


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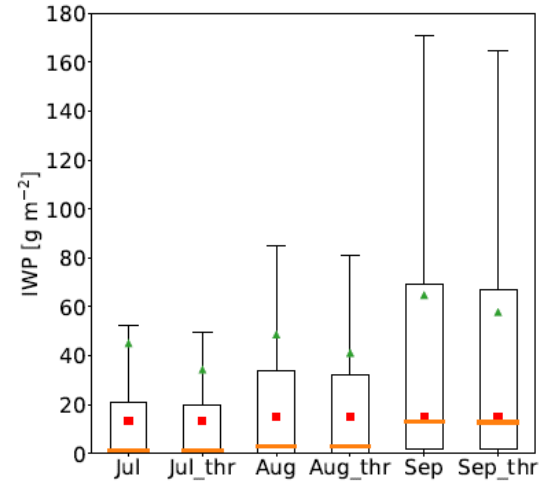


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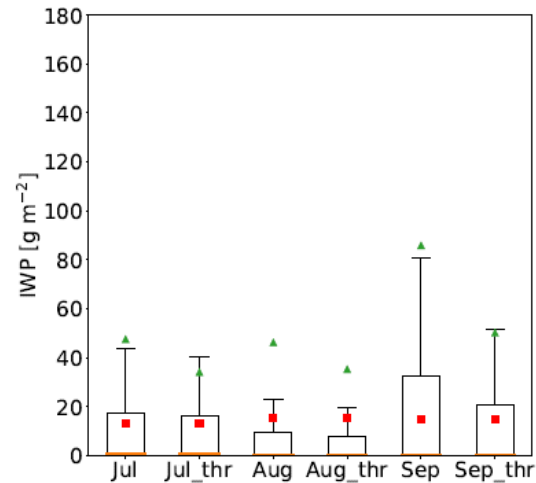
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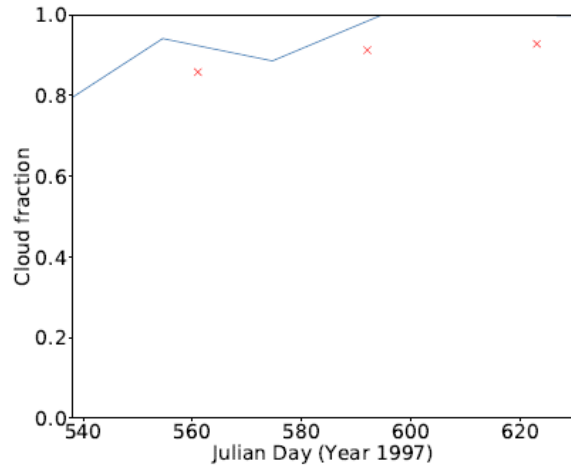


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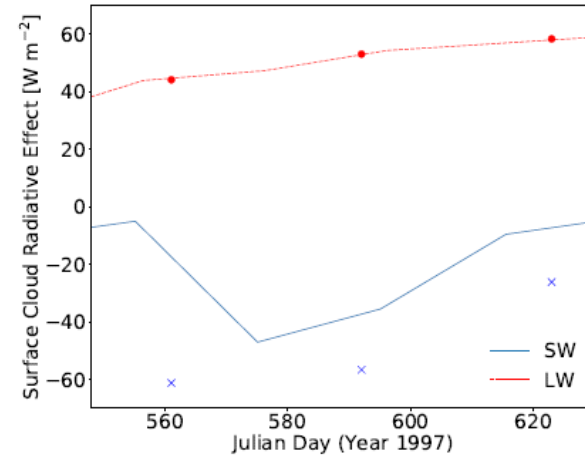


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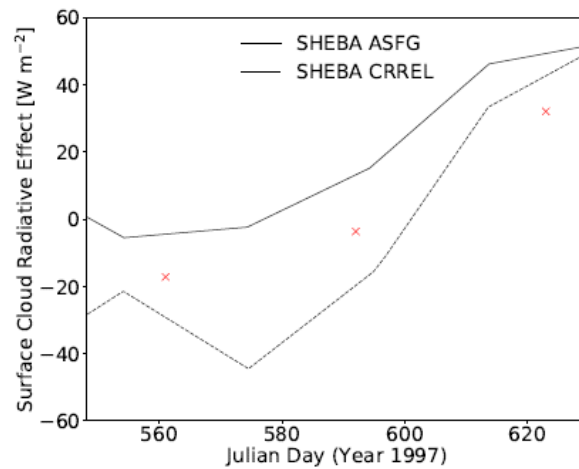
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