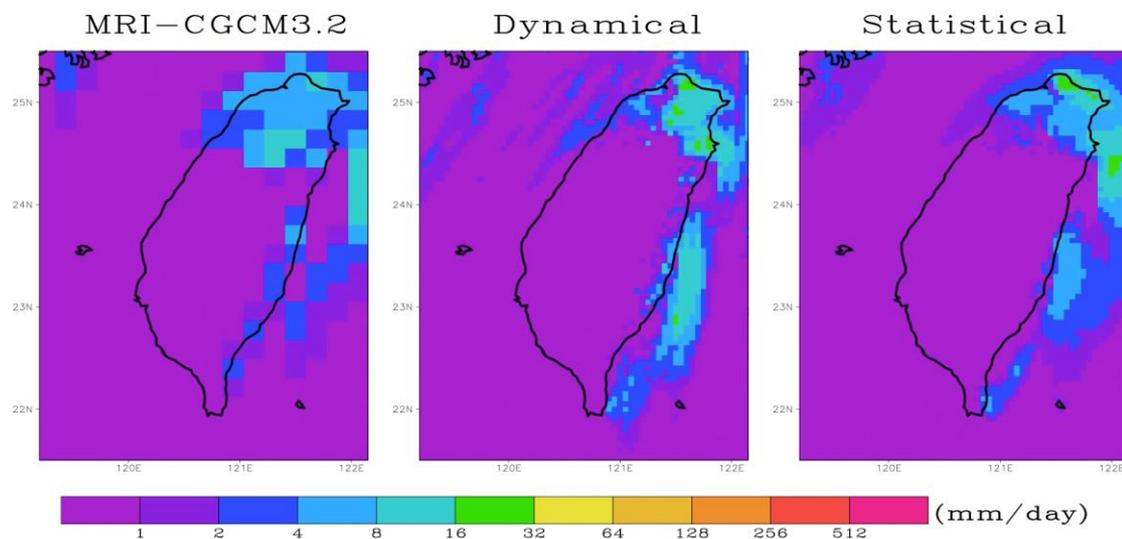


Statistical Downscaling over Taiwan: Current Daily Data Products and Future Developments

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Downscaling

Downscaling Objectives:

- (1) Bridge/conduit from large to small scales
- (2) Correct systematic model biases
[too cold/warm, wet/dry, etc.]

Statistical Downscaling Advantage:

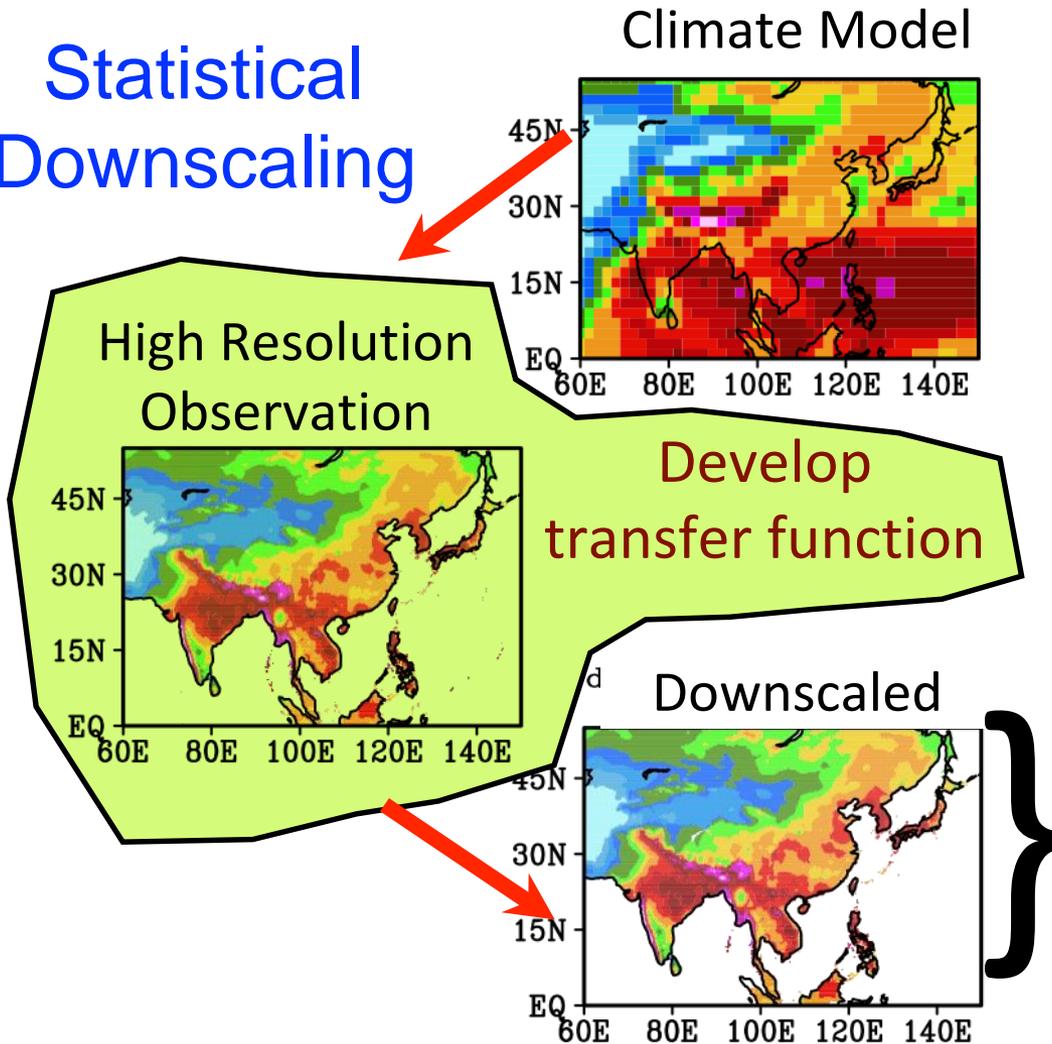
- (1) Cheaper to generate
- (2) Easy to test different algorithms
[Synchronous, Asynchronous, Map-typing, etc]

Statistical Downscaling Disadvantage:

- (1) No clear theoretical or empirical choice for the best
- (2) Stationarity assumption

Statistical Downscaling

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IMPACTS

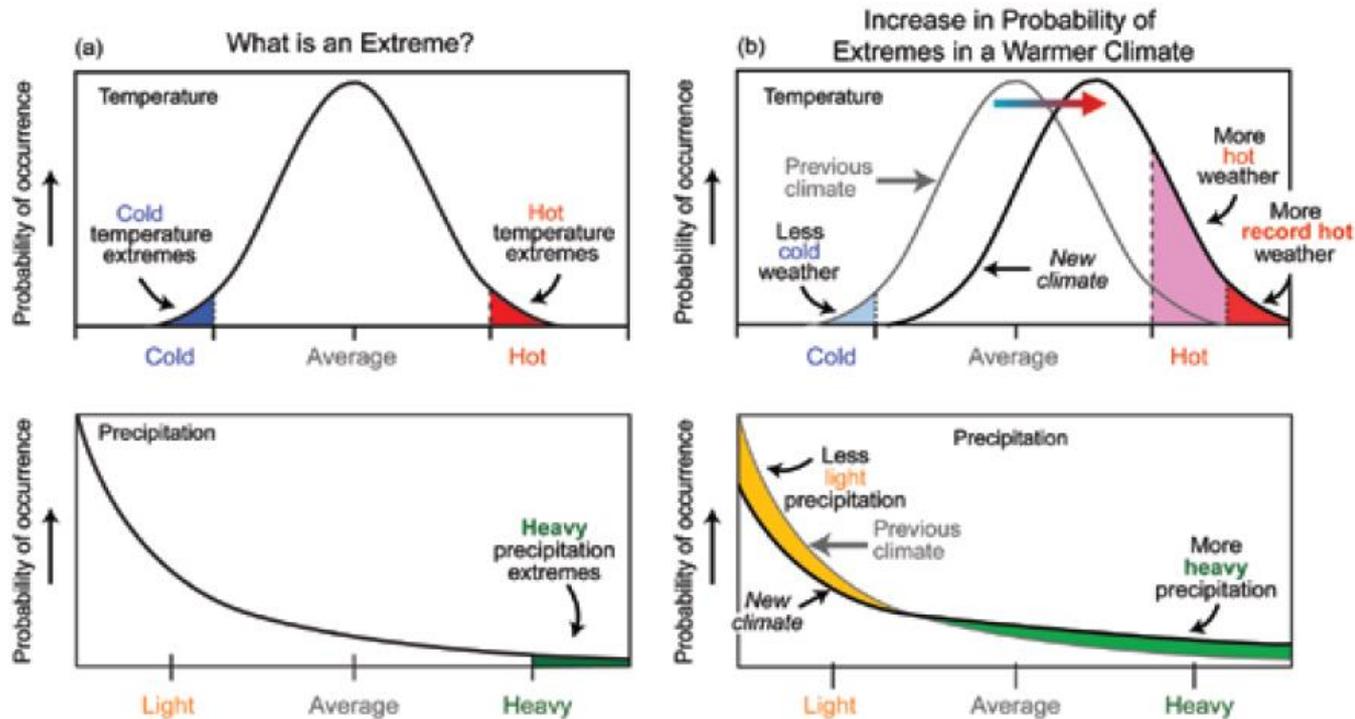
- Hydrology
- Agriculture
- Ecosystems
- Energy
- Transportation
- Health
- Air Quality



Statistical Downscaling for Extremes

Need high-impact and high-resolution climate information for:

- assessing environmental and societal relevant climate change impacts
- developing adaptation strategies and mitigation efforts

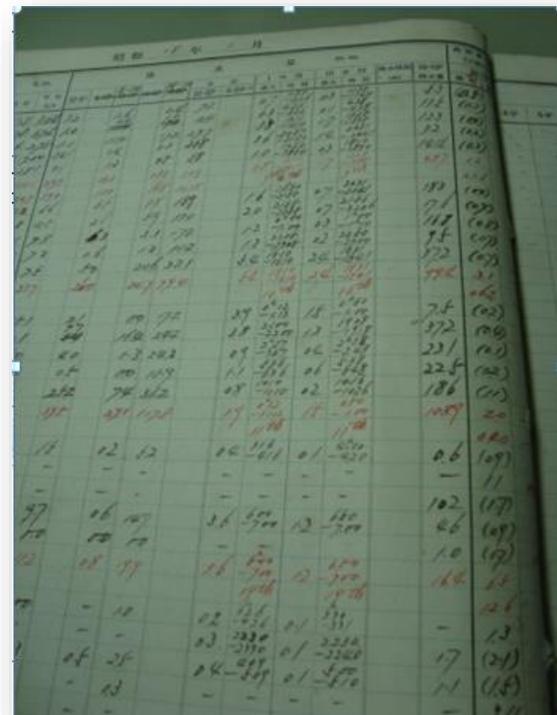
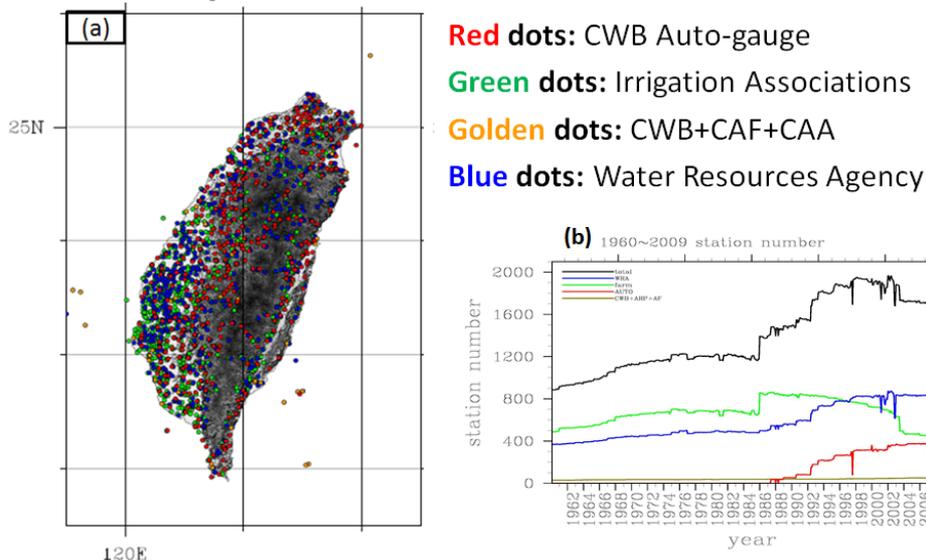


TCCIP Observation Gridded Data

- **Integrate** data of different institutes (CWB, WRA, IA, CAF, CAA...more than 1400 stations).
- Digitalization and Homogenization for long-term station records (1900-2017)

Data scattered in different institutes

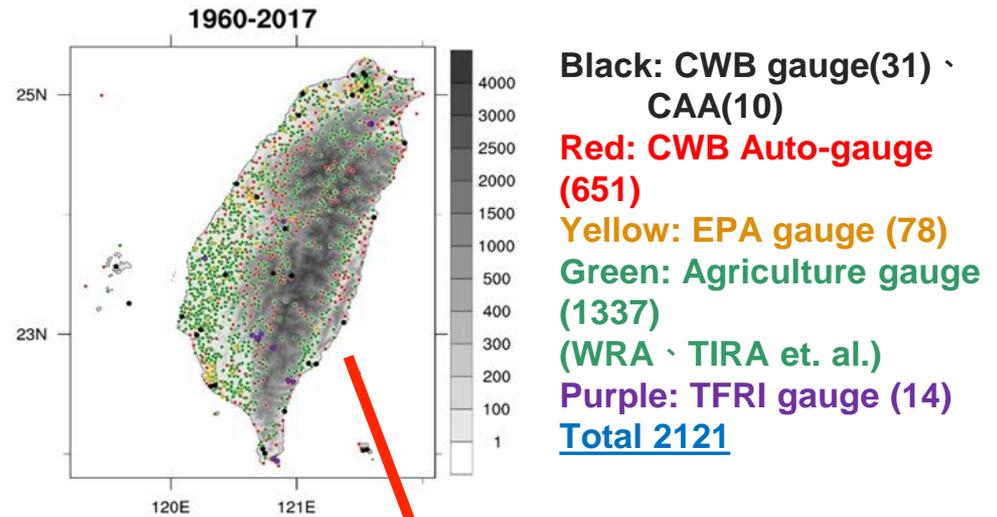
☒ Sources/Distributions of Rainfall observations



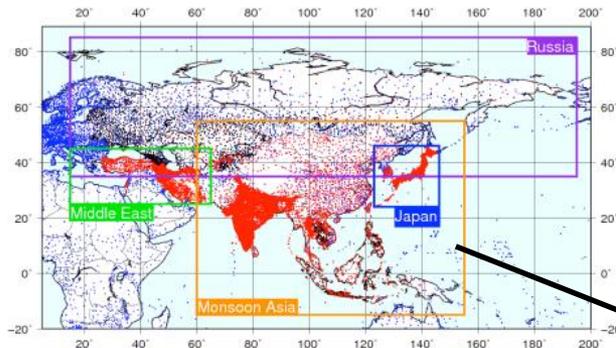
Require long-term high-resolution observations

New high-resolution (5km) gridded climate data over Taiwan

TCCIP, Weng and Yang (2015)

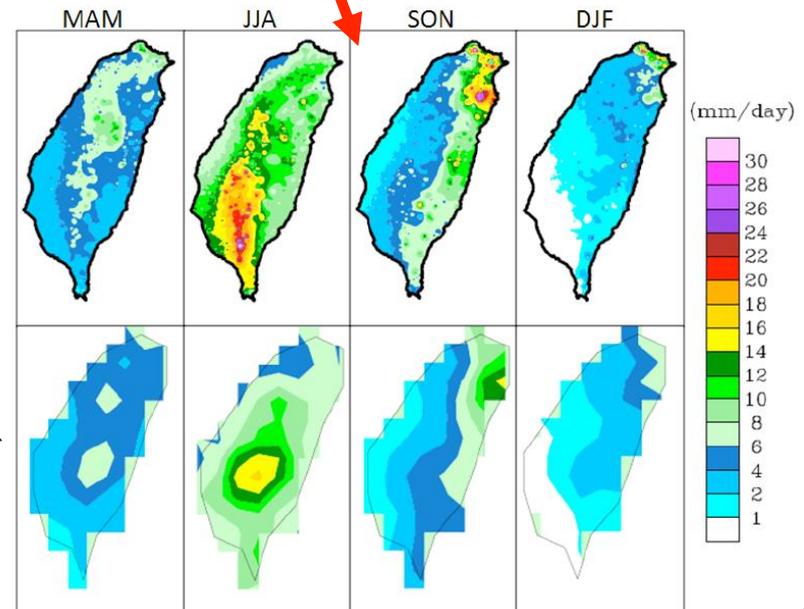


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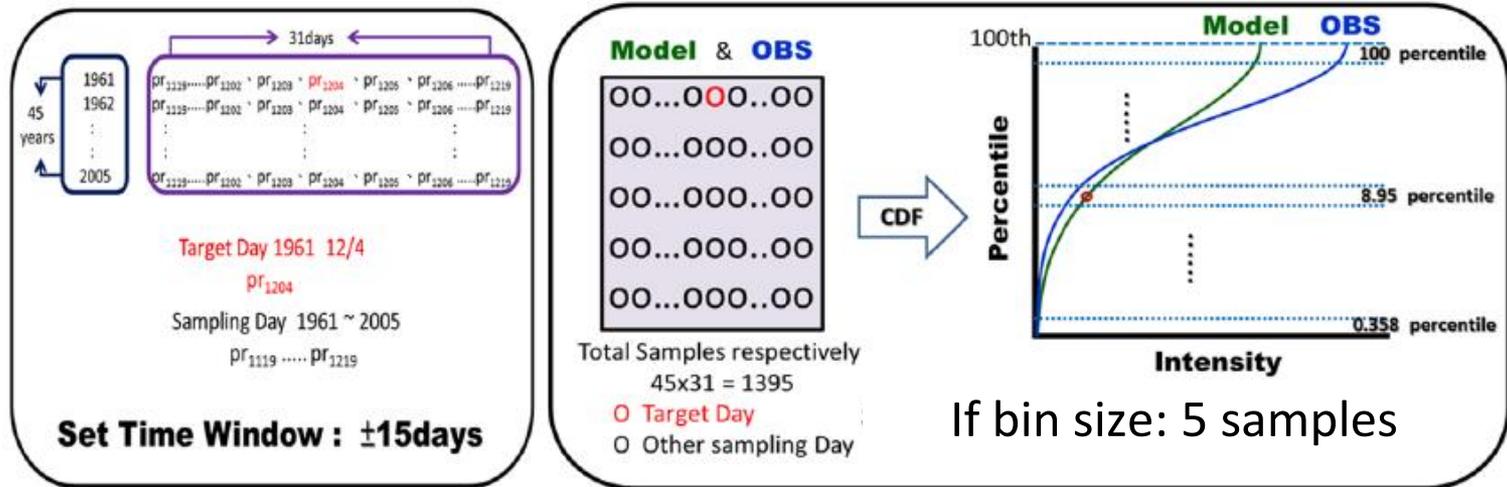
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Name	Domain	Resolution	Period
Monsoon Asia (MA)	60°E-150°E, 15°S-55°N	0.5° and 0.25°, daily	1951-2007
Middle East (ME)	15°E-65°E, 25°N-45°N		
Russia (RU)	15°E-165°W, 34°N-84°N		



Downscaling Method

Daily Data Bias Correction (Quantile Mapping)



$$\mathbf{OBS}_{8.95p} = \sum Pr_{obs121st-125th} / 5$$

$$\mathbf{Model}_{8.95p} = \sum Pr_{model121st-125th} / 5$$

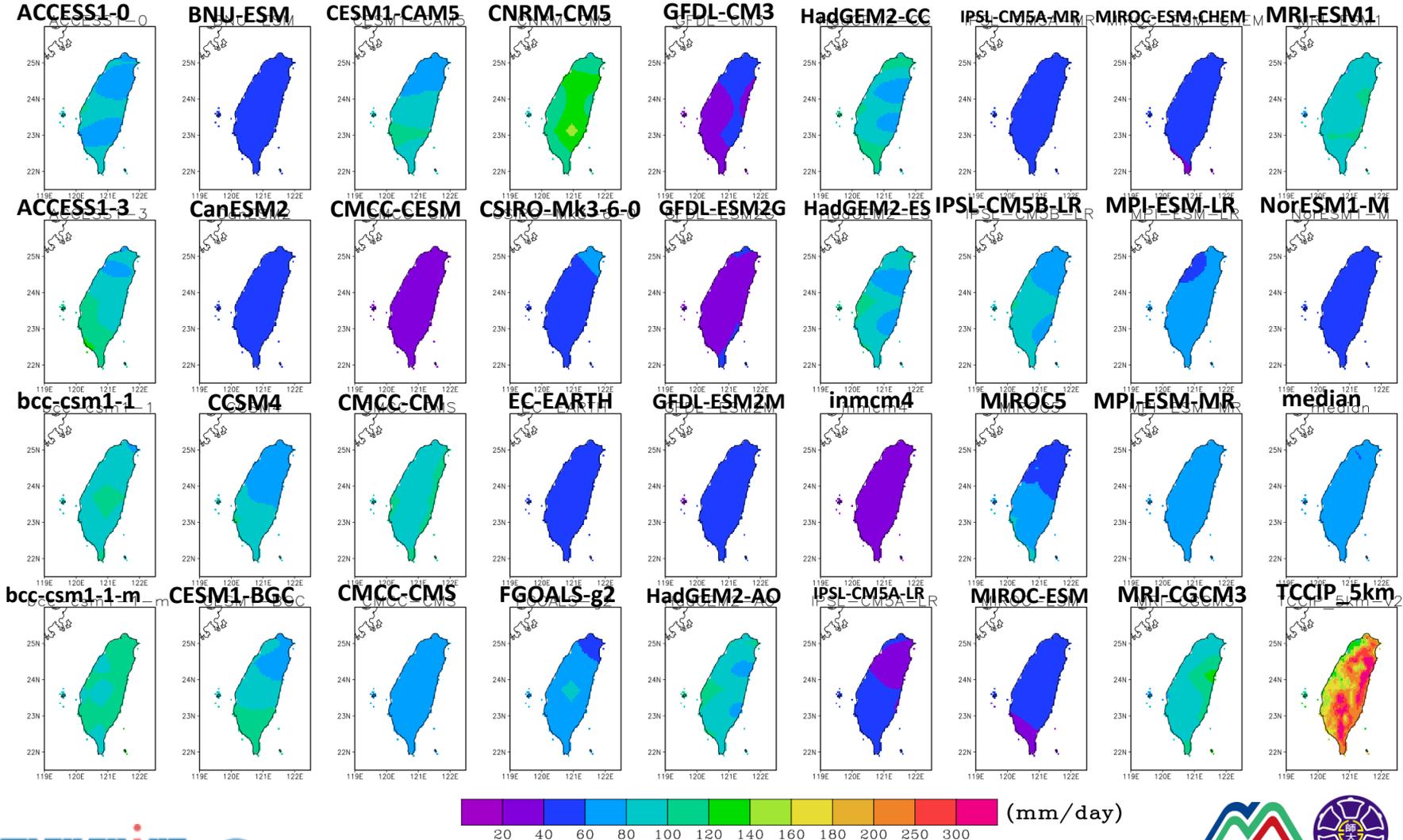
Target Day 1961 12/4 Model Bias Correction

$$\mathbf{Model_BC}_{pr_{1204}} = (\mathbf{Model}_{pr_{1204}} \times \mathbf{OBS}_{8.95p} / \mathbf{Model}_{8.95p})$$

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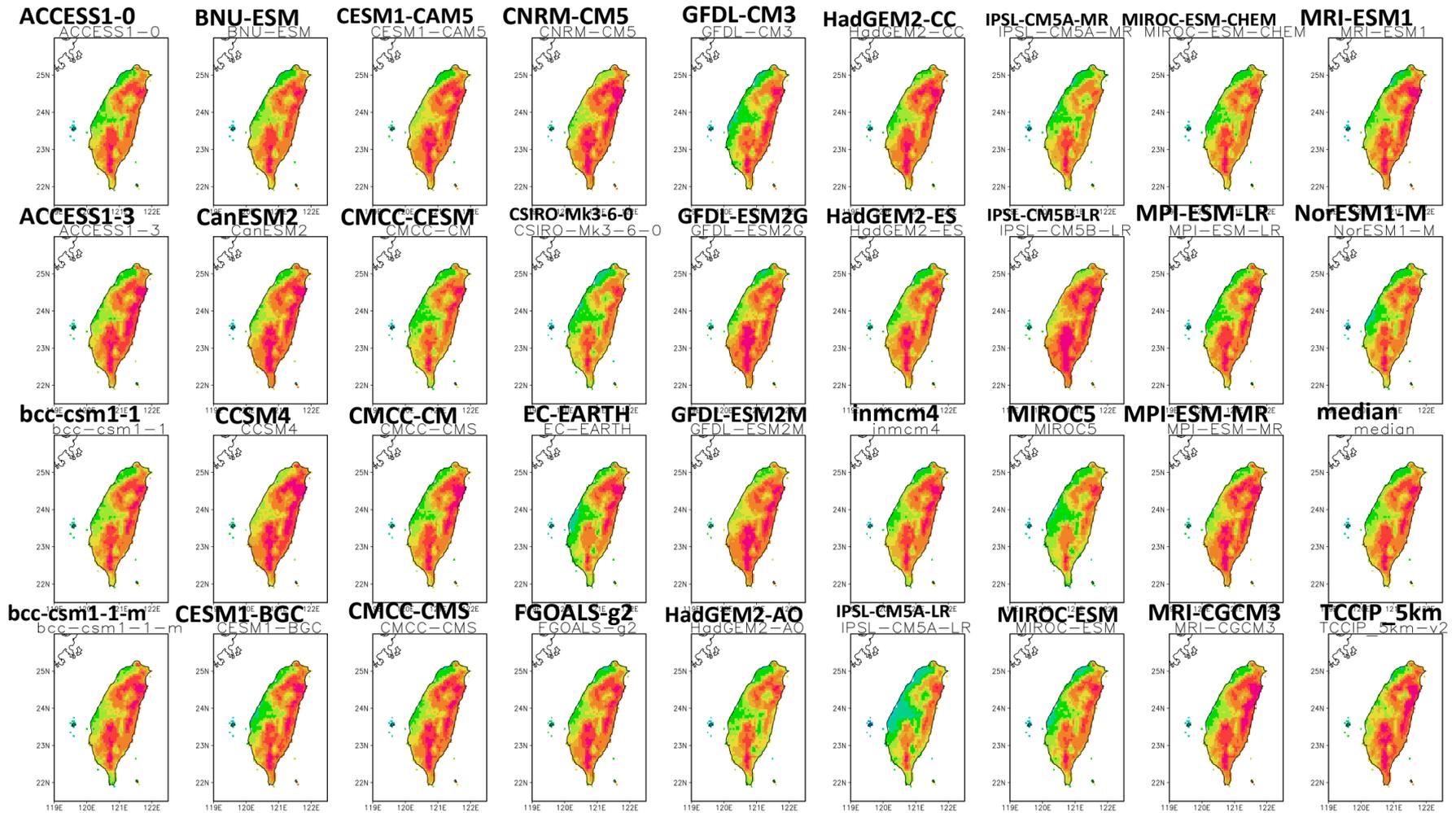
Rx1day from CMIP5 output interpolated

CMIP5 Model (Interpolation) RX1DAY



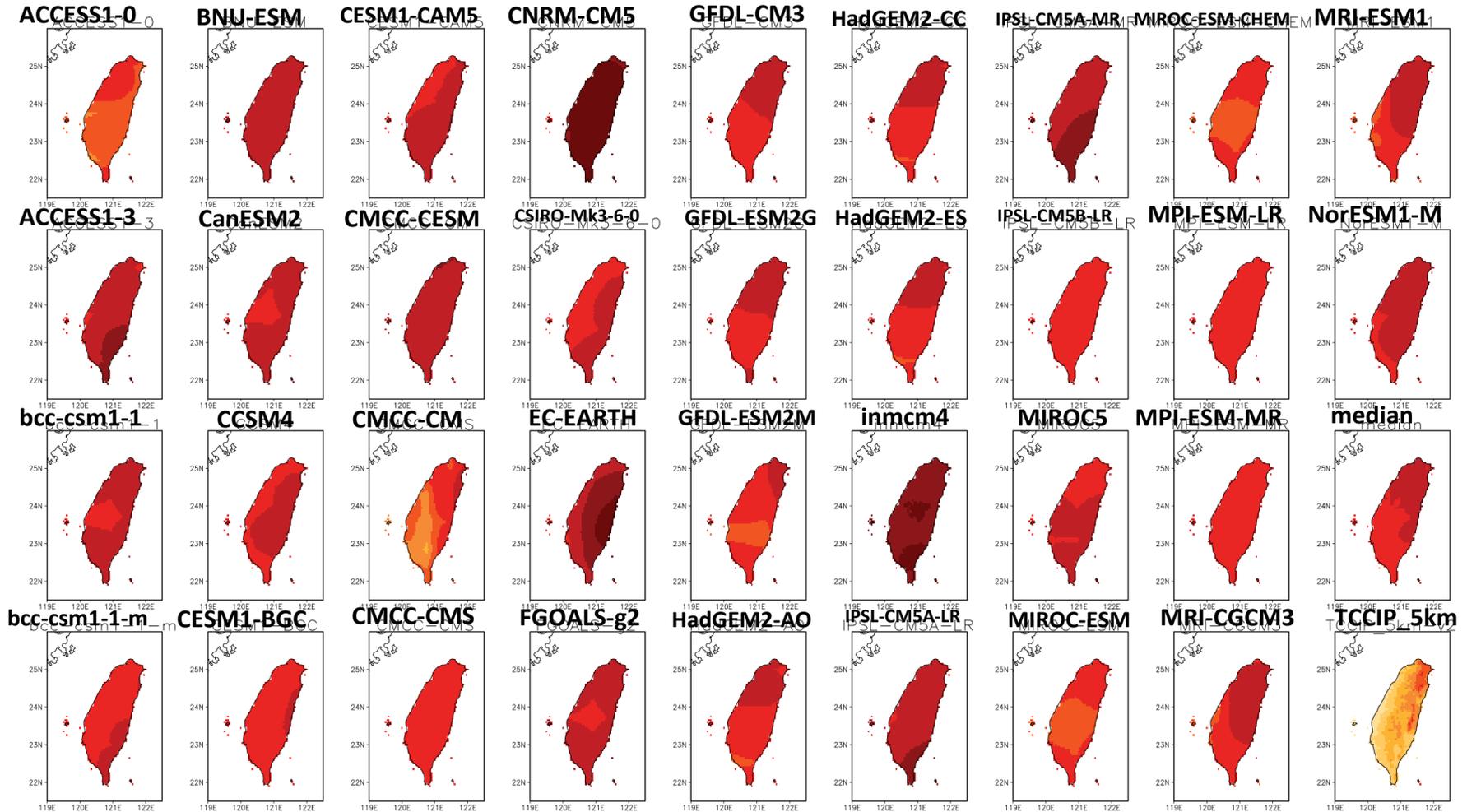
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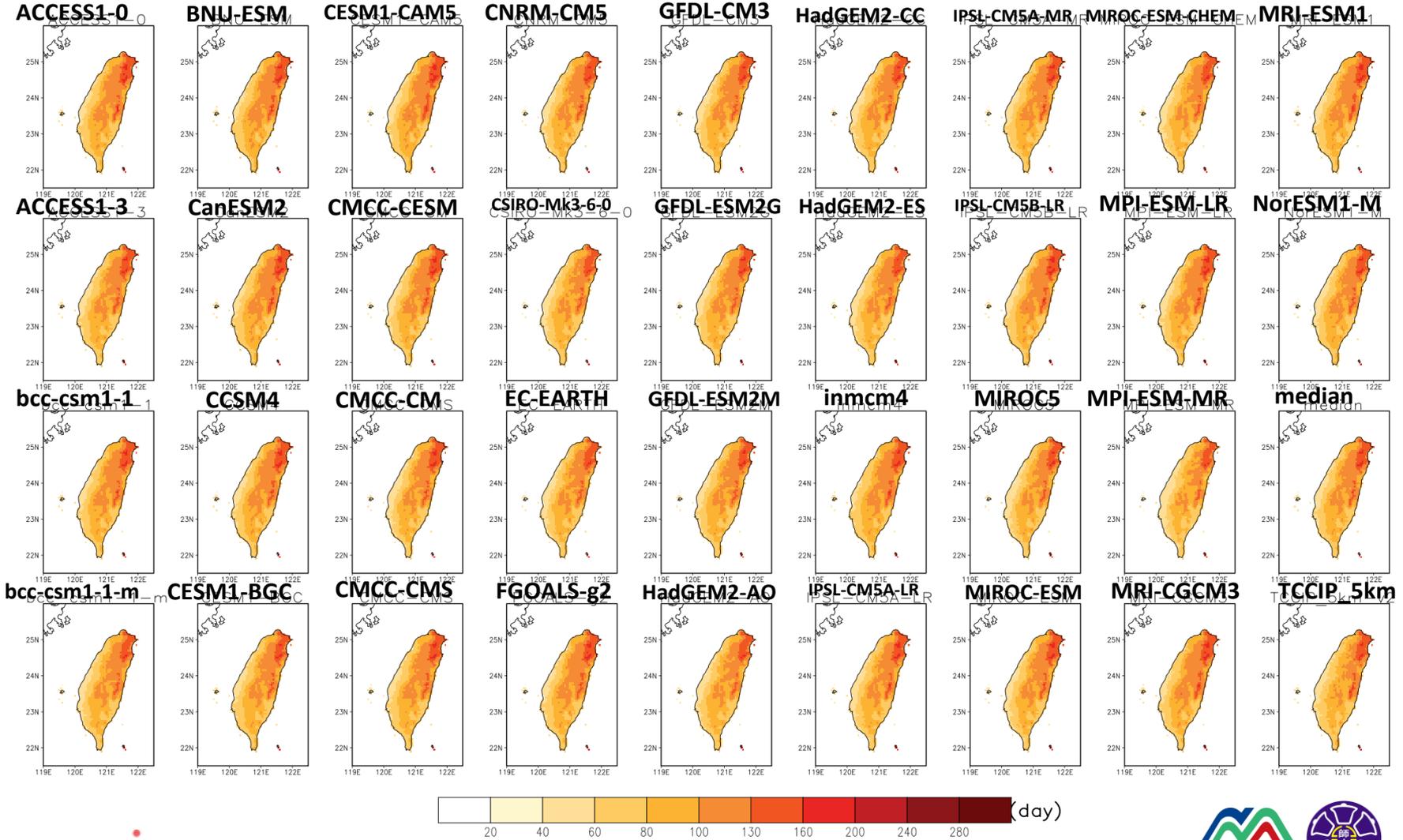
Wet day frequency from CMIP5 output interpolated

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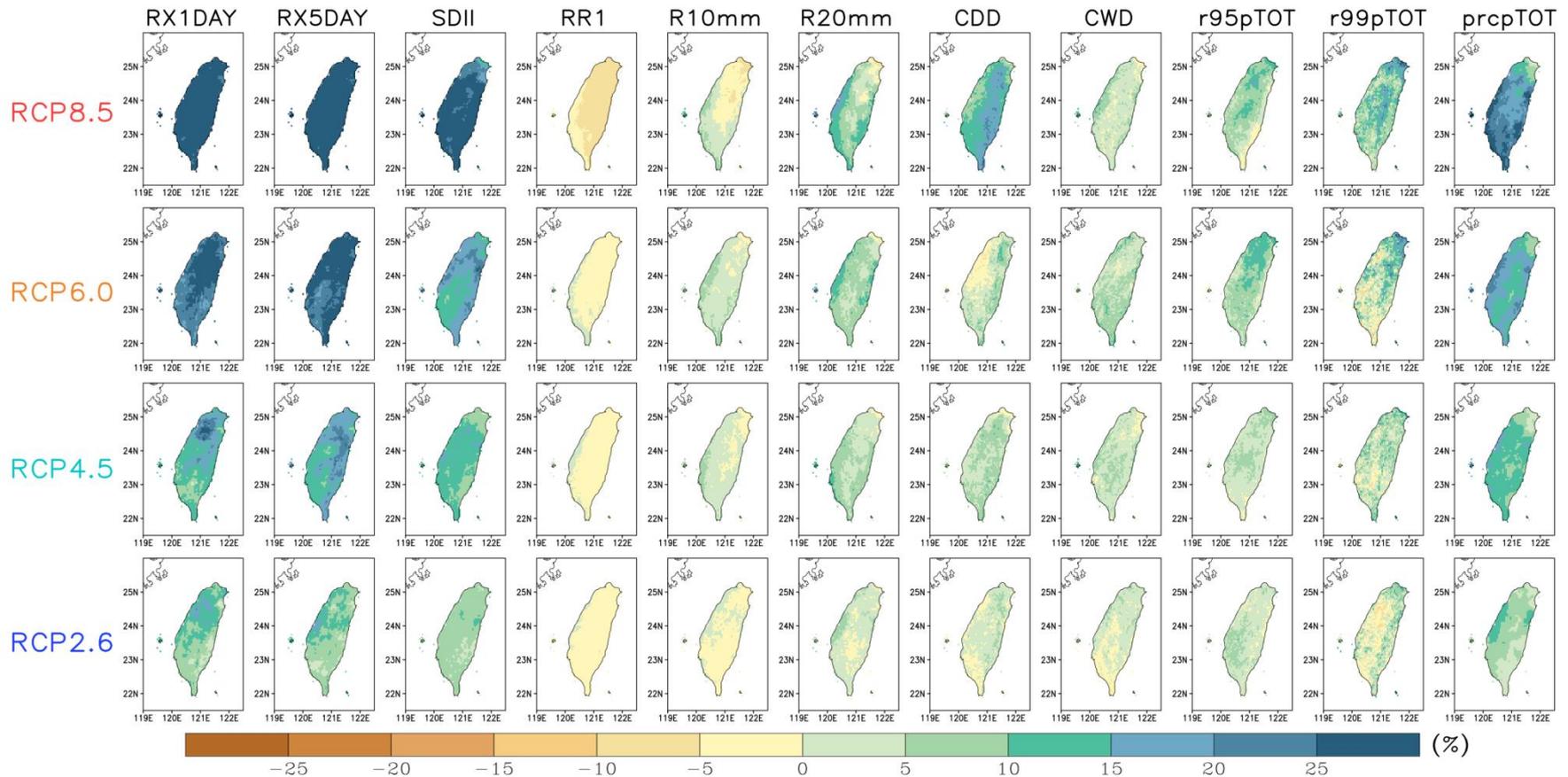
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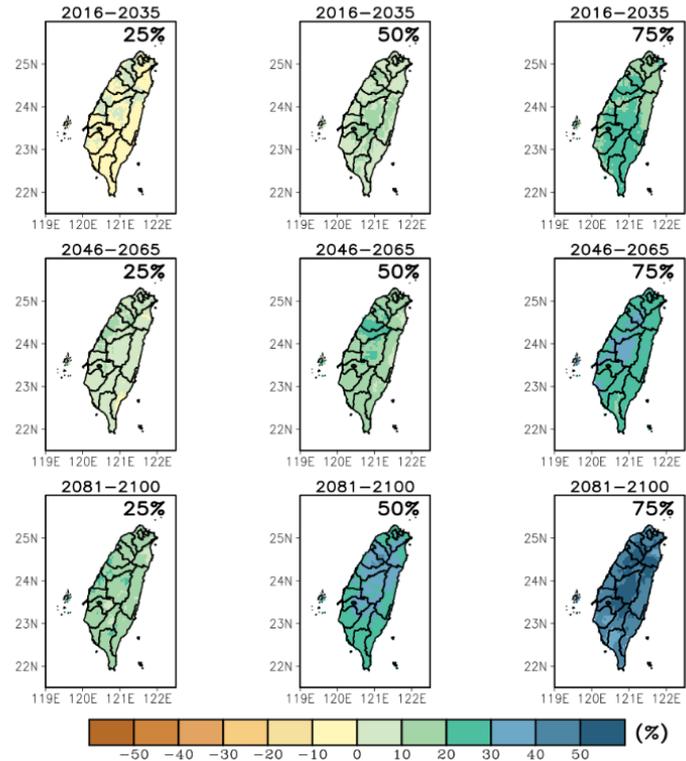
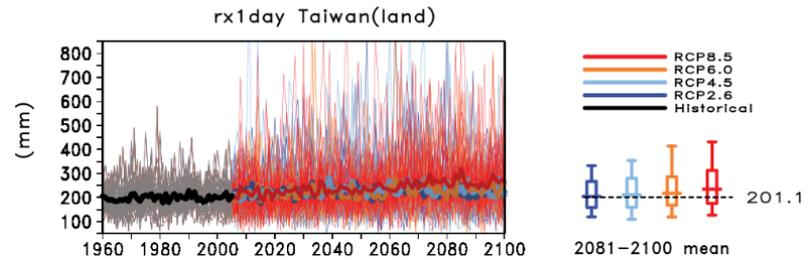
Projected Future Change of Extreme Indices

CMIP5 Model Projected Future Change of Rainfall Related Extreme Indices (Model Median, 2081-2100)
Based on Downscaled Daily Data



Atlas of Future Projected Changes of Extreme Indices

區域	情境	世紀末 rx1day 百分比變化 (%)						
		最小	10	25	50	75	90	最大
北北基	rcp26	-12.8	-6.0	0.1	10.5	24.5	29.4	34.7
	rcp45	-10.1	-4.5	4.8	17.1	27.9	35.9	51.4
	rcp60	-3.7	1.6	15.9	24.9	33.6	49.2	65.7
	rcp85	-16.6	0.1	13.1	29.1	45.3	66.8	118.6
	rcp26	-20.2	-3.0	3.9	12.5	22.0	28.6	39.0
桃園	rcp45	-11.6	-5.4	7.0	19.2	29.4	36.9	43.1
	rcp60	1.5	6.1	15.8	26.7	33.2	45.0	64.4
	rcp85	-21.5	6.3	17.1	29.2	48.0	65.9	139.6
	rcp26	-24.6	-1.3	5.2	15.3	24.0	32.8	50.9
	rcp45	-12.4	-5.7	5.5	20.7	34.1	41.5	54.5
新竹	rcp60	3.0	9.3	19.2	29.7	36.2	53.8	64.4
	rcp85	-22.1	2.3	14.2	34.5	52.5	76.4	153.7
	rcp26	-27.3	-0.5	5.3	13.6	23.7	35.1	51.2
	rcp45	-11.4	-6.3	3.0	17.3	34.1	41.6	54.1
	rcp60	6.5	10.1	18.8	28.1	36.1	51.0	54.8
苗栗	rcp85	-23.1	-2.4	15.5	35.9	50.7	71.7	138.1
	rcp26	-23.6	0.6	5.0	11.4	25.1	32.3	42.7
	rcp45	-11.6	-6.0	2.7	12.7	33.9	41.4	55.0
	rcp60	4.7	9.1	19.5	27.1	36.3	45.4	50.2
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南投	rcp45	-13.6	-5.5	3.4	12.9	33.9	43.2	57.4
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	rcp85	-19.8	-2.8	16.1	31.7	53.6	79.8	106.7
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臺南	rcp26	-11.7	-4.9	1.6	6.1	22.7	32.7	43.0
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What's Next?

- **New Statistical Downscaling Methods:**

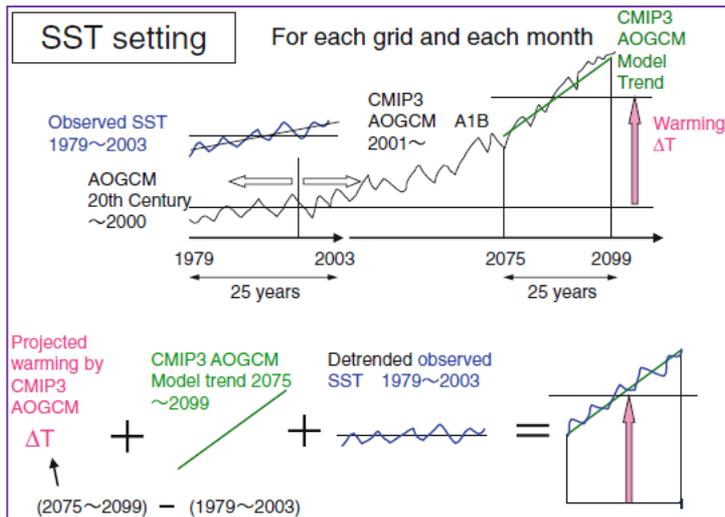
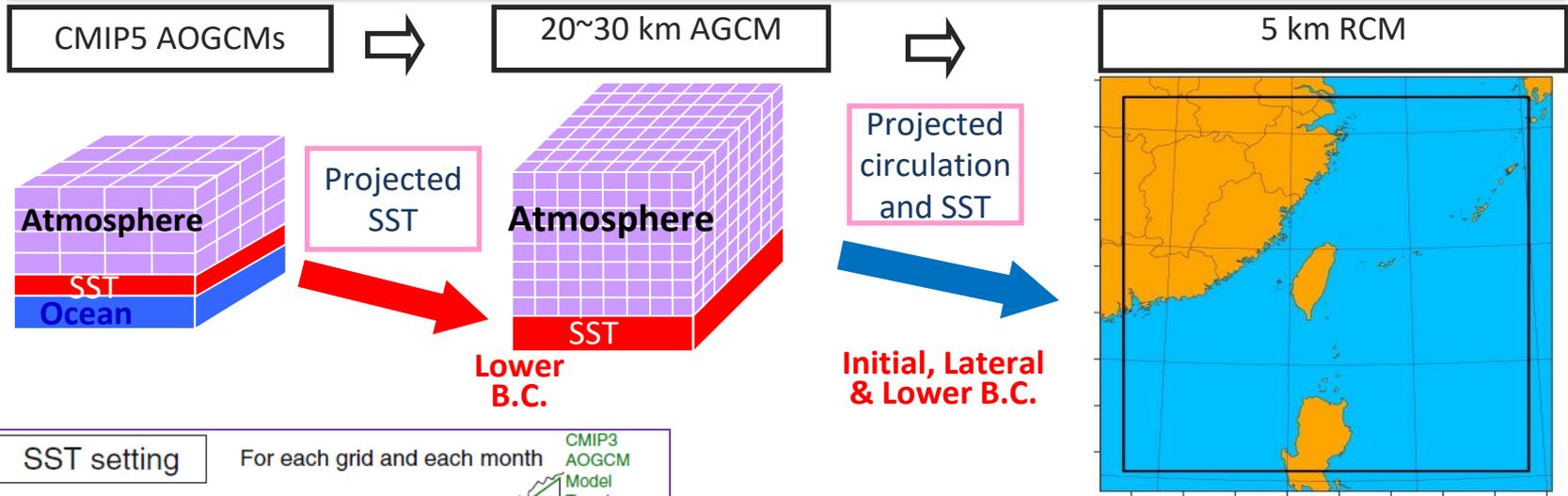
- (1) **BCCA (Bias-Correction/Constructed Analogues; Maurer et al. 2010)** combines spatial aggregation and daily quantile mapping with spatial information from a linear combination of historical analogues
- (2) **QMAP (Quantile MAPping; Gudmundsson et al. 2012)** applies quantile mapping to daily GCM/RCM outputs that have been interpolated to the high-resolution grid using the climate imprint method of Hunter and Meentemeyer (2005) – aka BCCI
- (3) **BCCAQ (BCCA with Quantile MAPping reordering)** is a modified BCCA using QMAP in addition to BCCA post-processing (Cannon et al., 2015)

- **Use Dynamical Downscaling Result as Pseudo-Observation to:**

- (1) **Compare the Performance of Different Statistical Downscaling Methods.**
- (2) **Test the Stationarity Assumption under Climate Change.**

Dynamical downscaling from ~25km to ~5km

Time-Slice Experiments of AGCM **MRI-AGCM** with 20km resolution and RCM **HiRAM** with ~25km resolution



Kusunoki et al. (2011)

WRF 3.5.1 as RCM

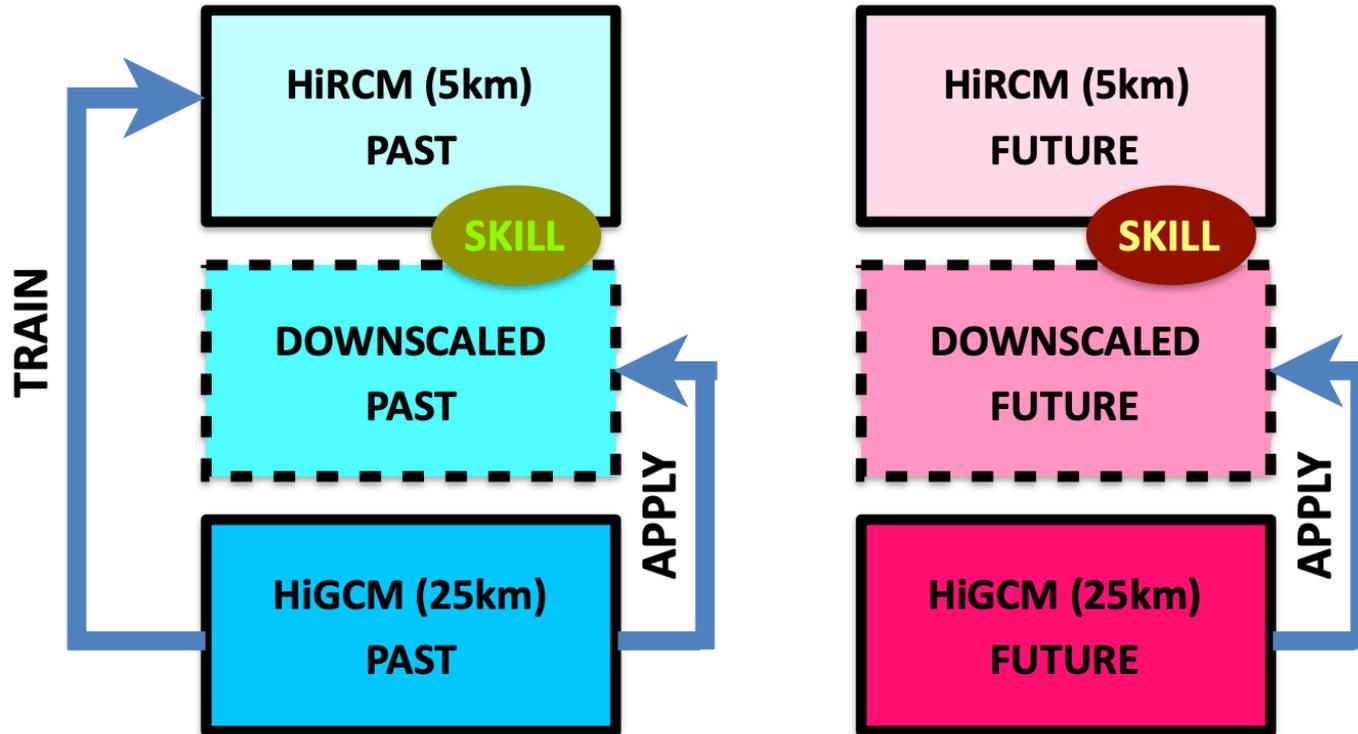
- Noah land surface
- WSM5 microphysics
- YSU Boundary Layer
- No cumulus for May ~Aug. KF cumulus for others.
- M.-Obukhov sfc layer
- CAM3 radiation
- Spectral nudging for U, V, Φ and T, not in PBL.
- Use RCP8.5 GHG in radiation scheme.
- Taiwan land use replace MODIS/USGS data.
- Re-initialize ATM on Jan. 1st of every year.

Perfect Model Experimental Design

PERFECT MODEL EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN

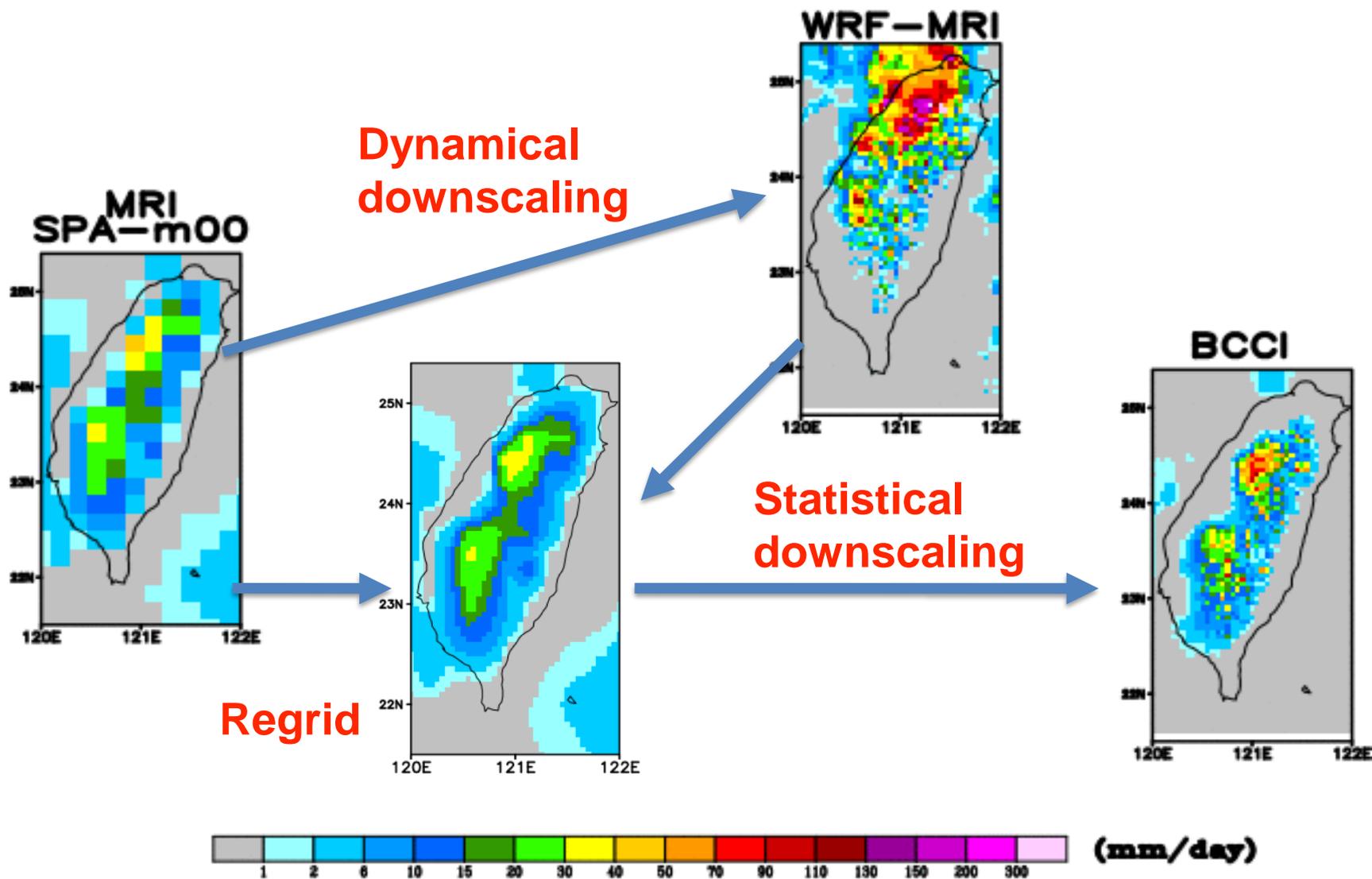
In The Perfect Model World

Now we can compare skill past vs. skill future to assess the validity of
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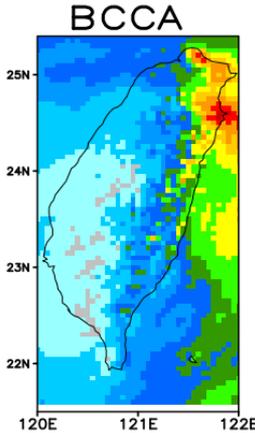
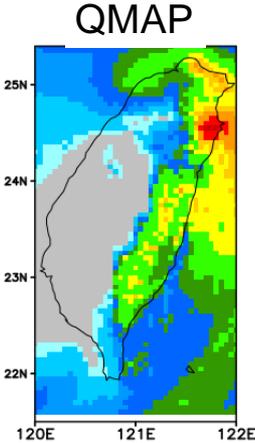
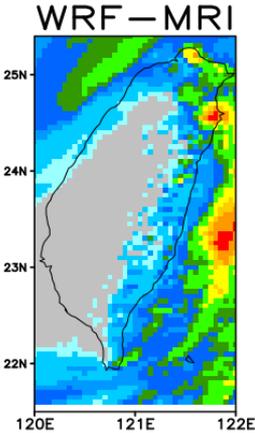


Statistical vs. Dynamical Downscaling

Model year 2000 daily rainfall

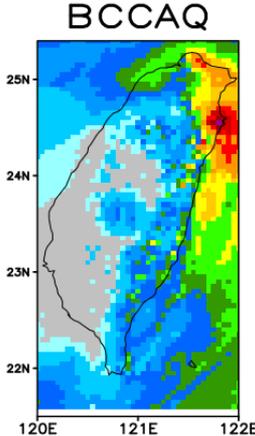
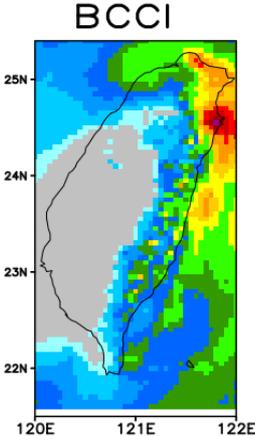
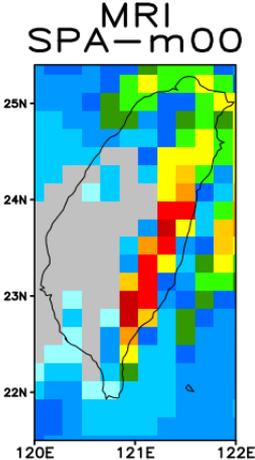
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5km
MRI/WRF



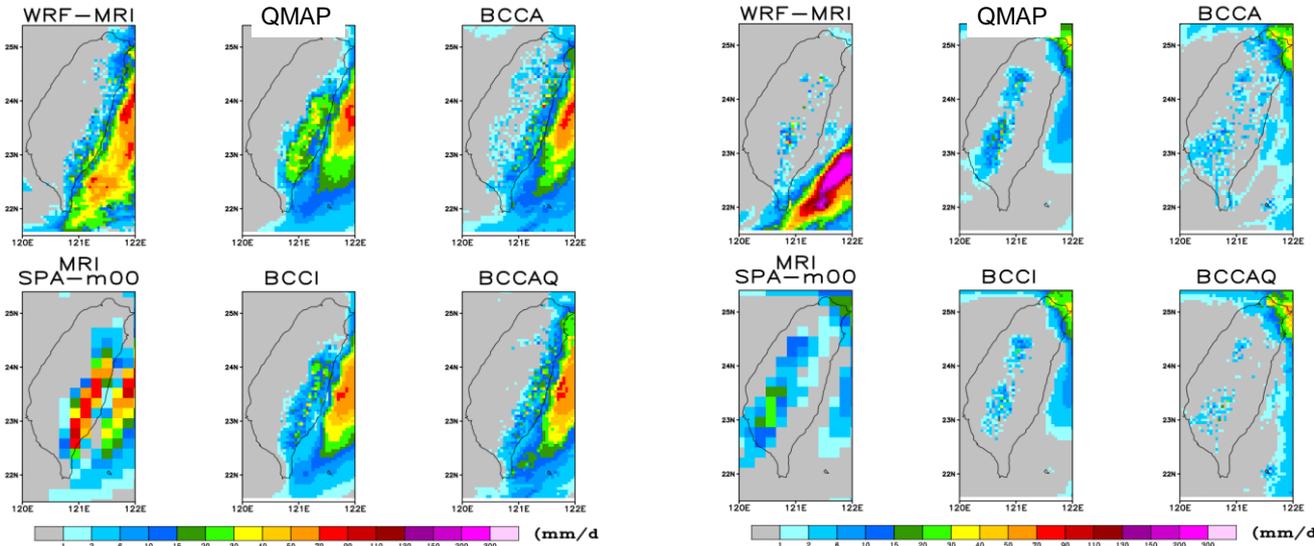
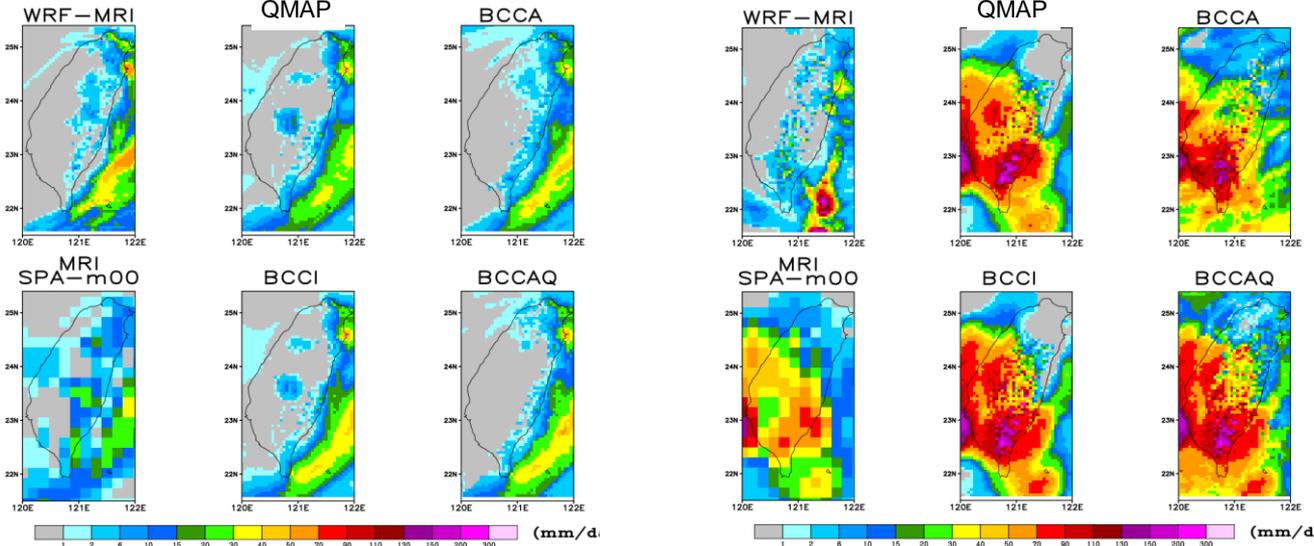
5km
ESD

20km
MRI



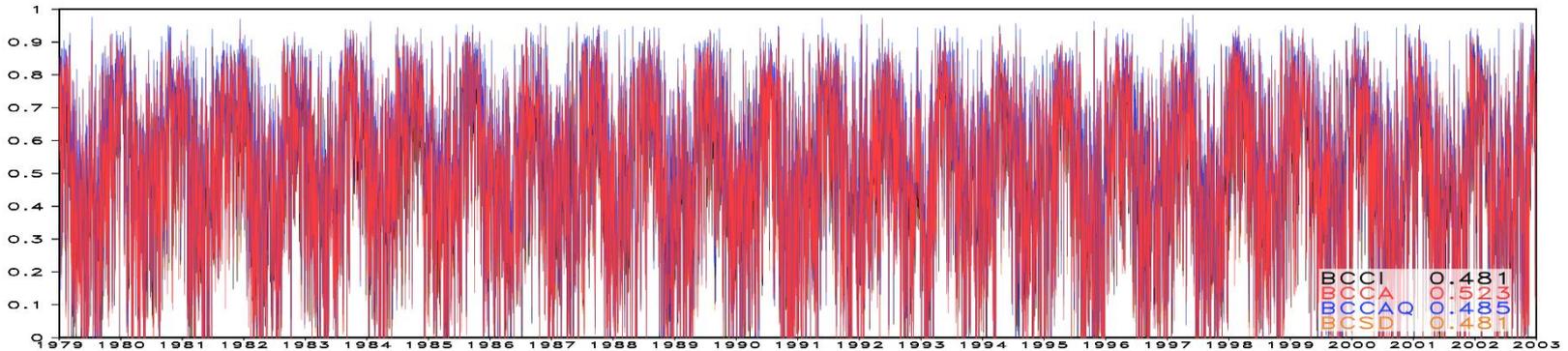
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Daily
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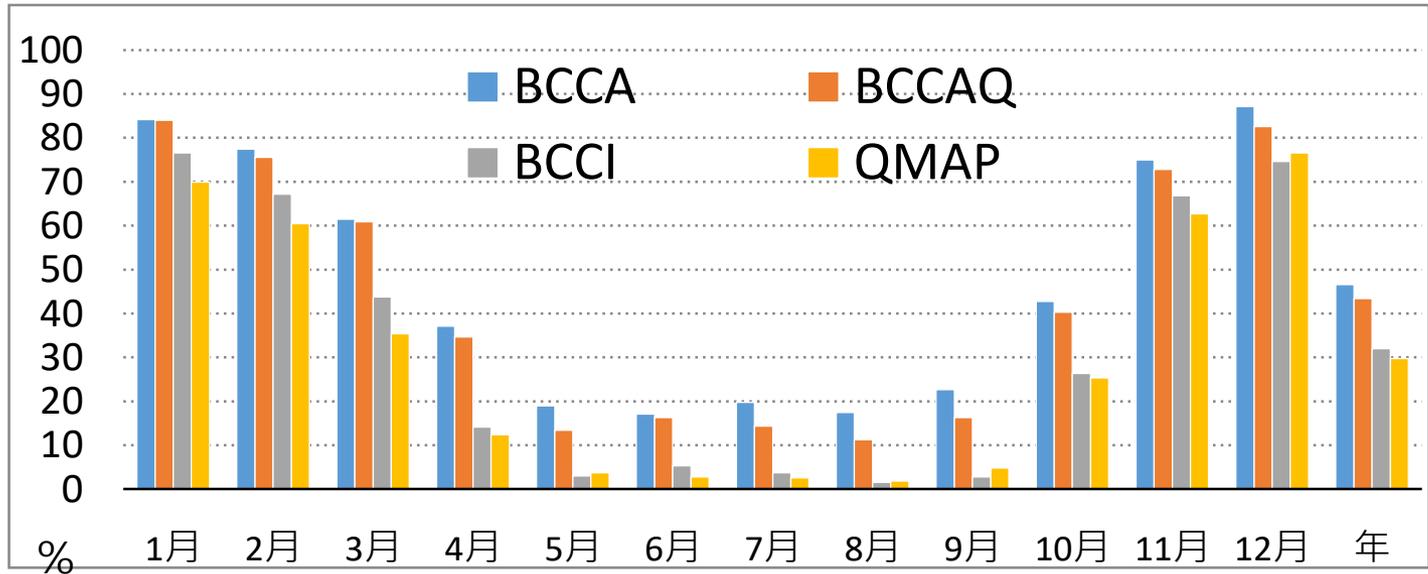
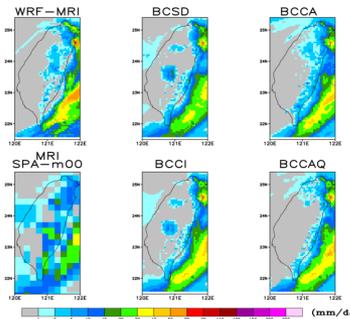


Comparison between different ESDs

MRI 1979–2003 Pattern Correlation

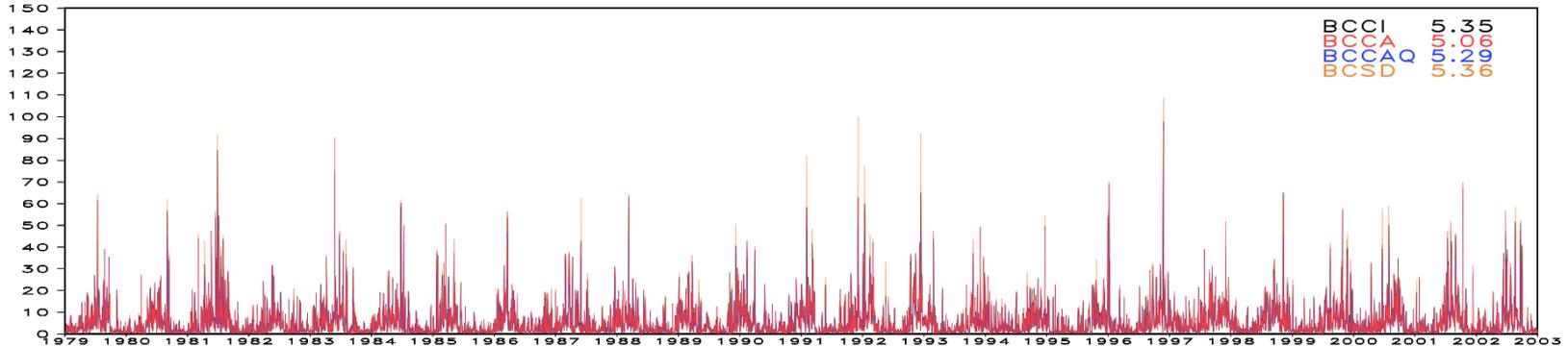


Percentage of time when $r(\text{MRI}/\text{WRF}, \text{ESD})$ is larger than $r(\text{MRI}, \text{ESD})$

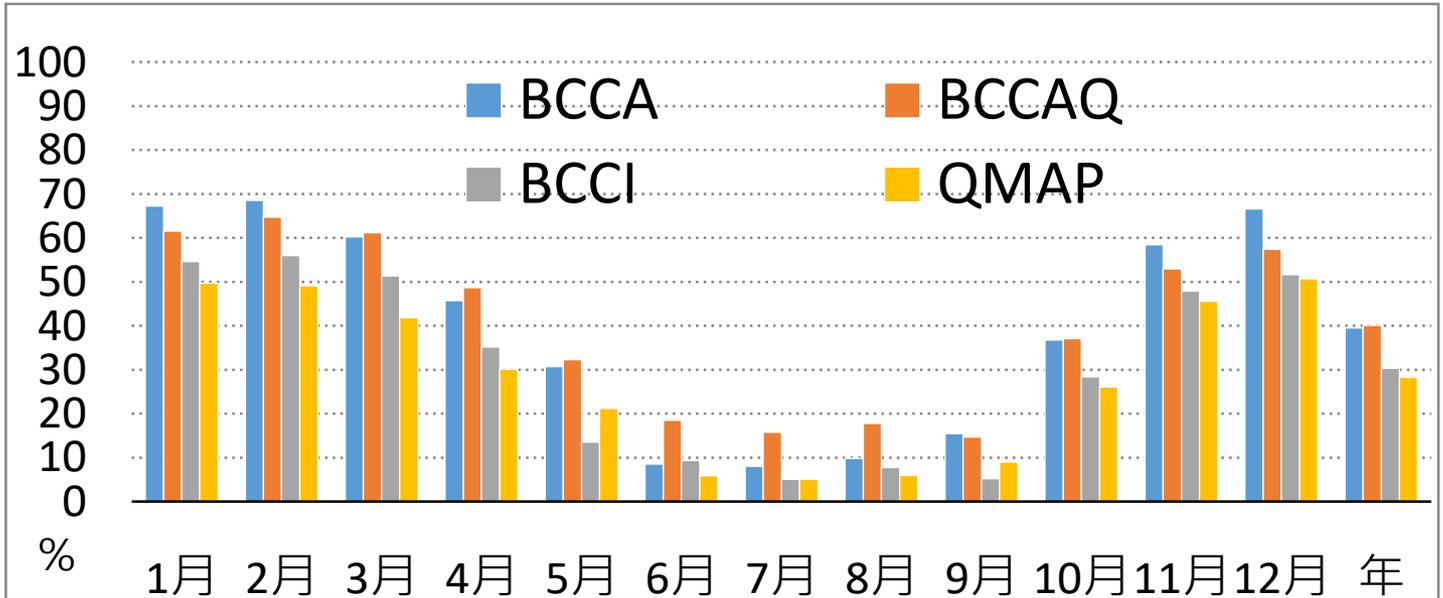
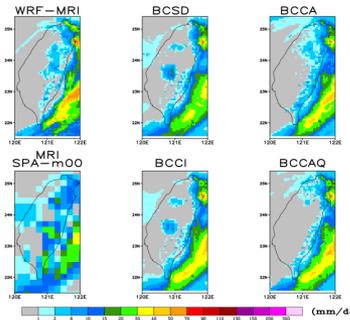


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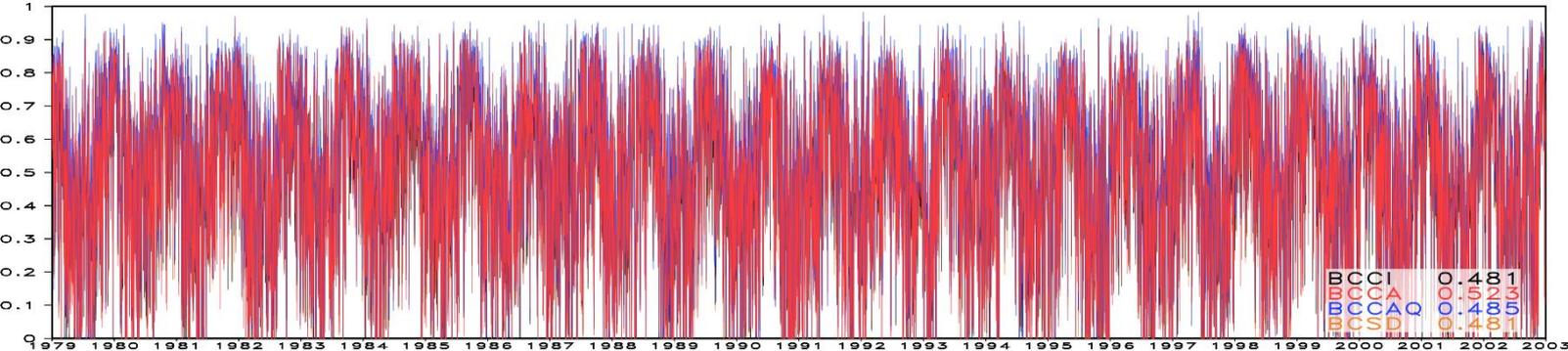


Percentage of time when MAE(MRI/WRF,ESD) is smaller than MAE(MRI,ESD)

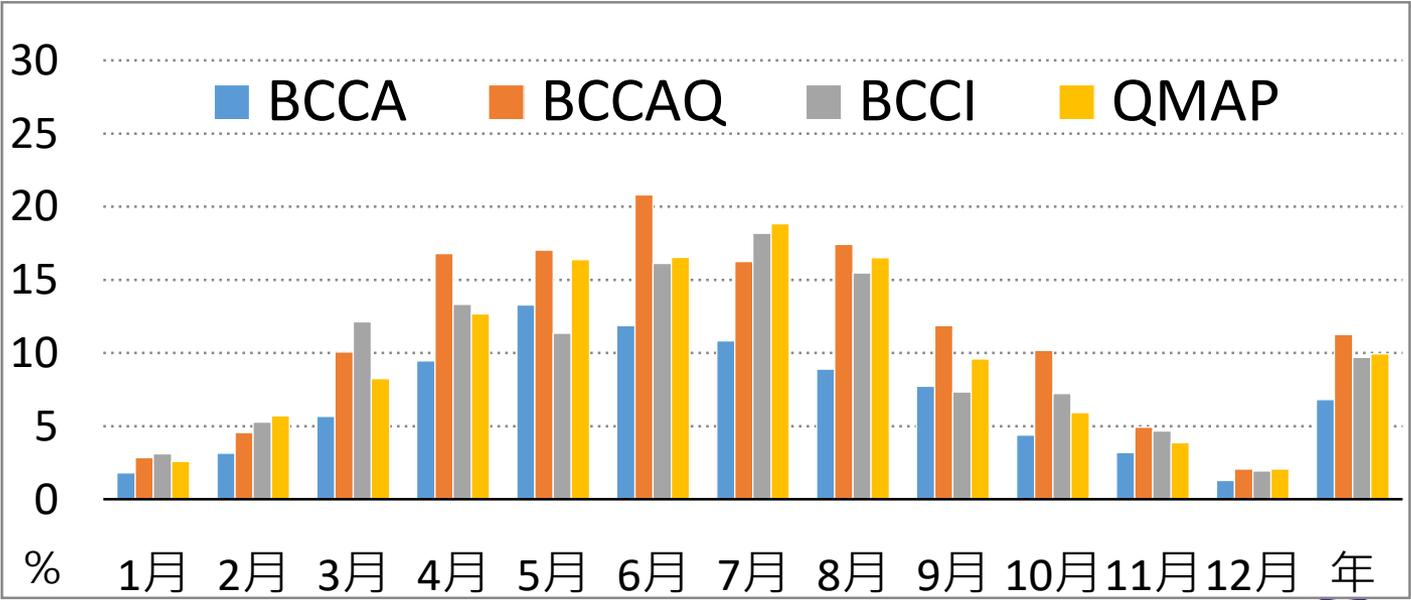
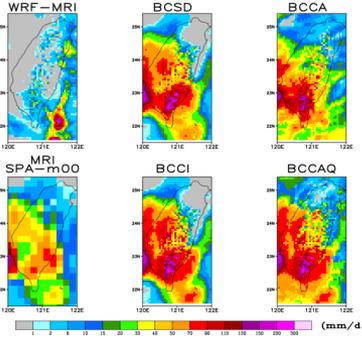


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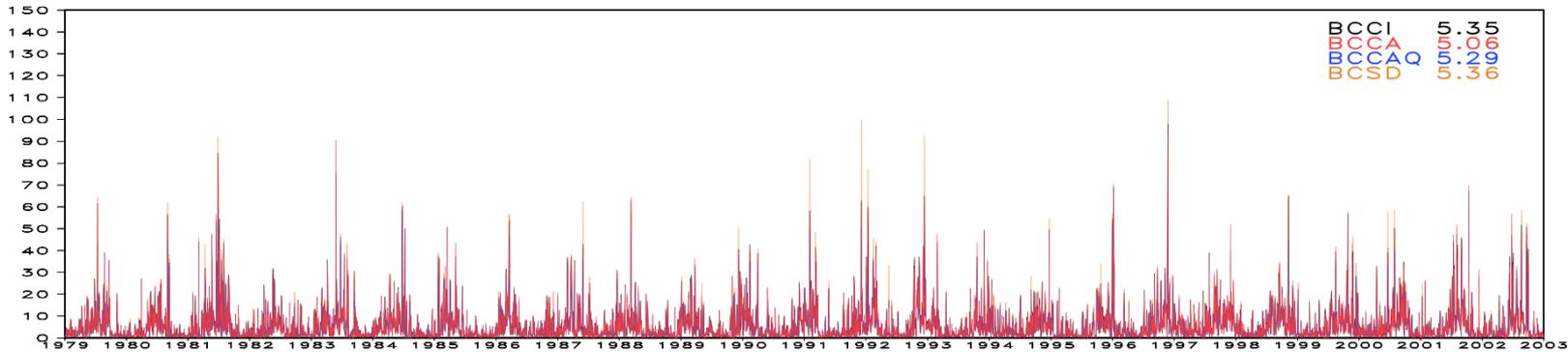


Percentage of time when $r(\text{MRI/WRF, ESD})$ is worse than $r(\text{MRI/WRF, MRI})$

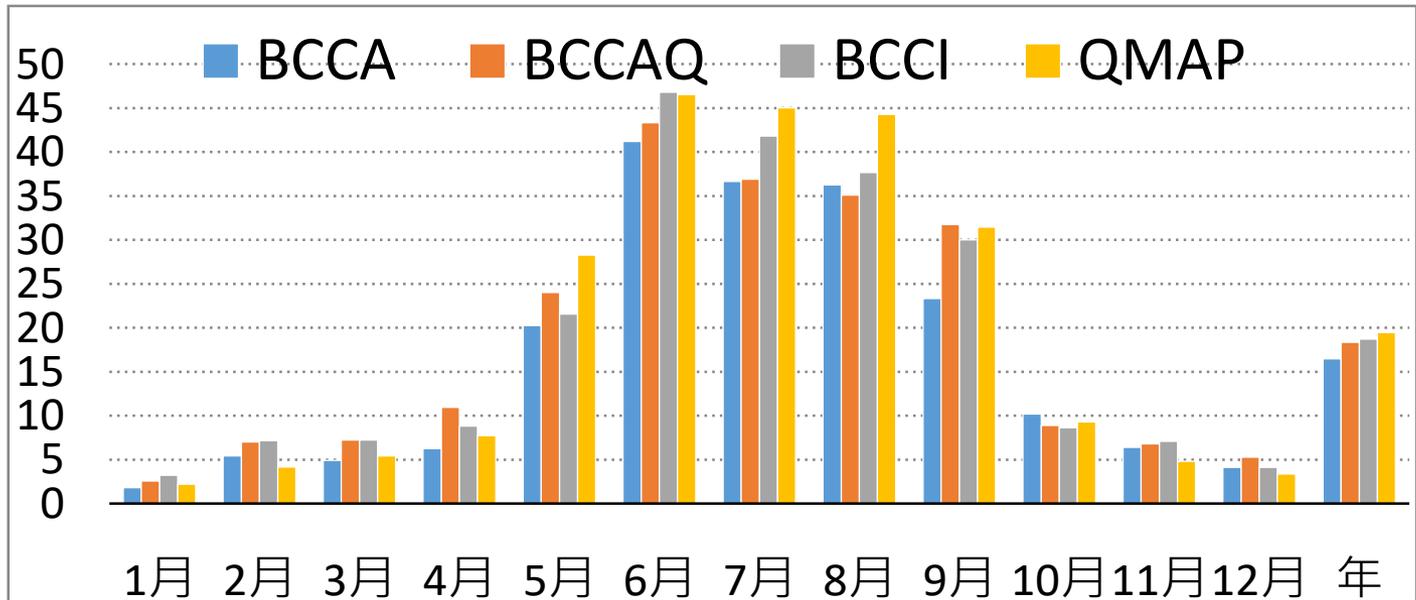
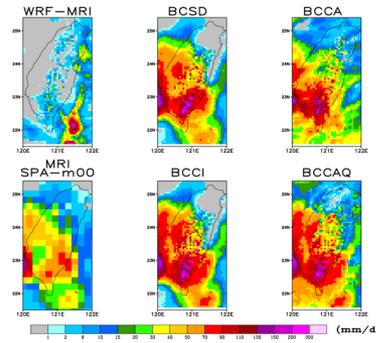


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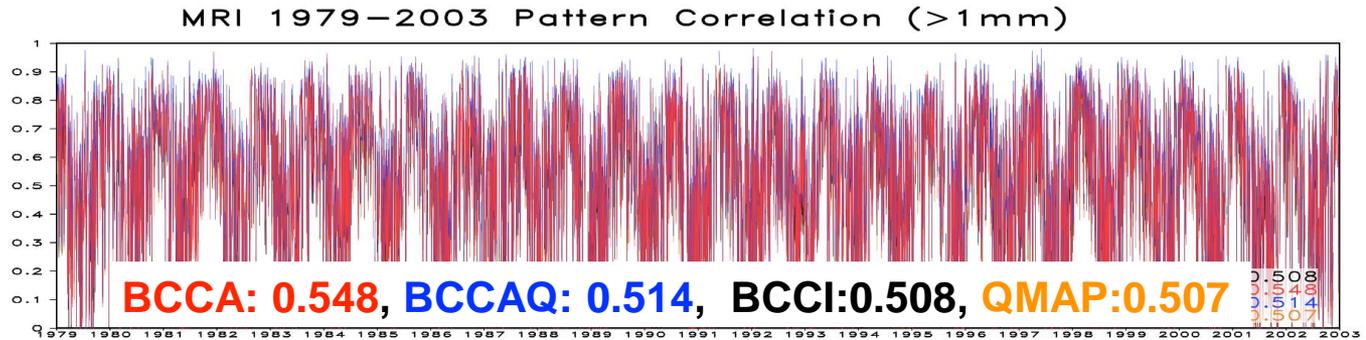
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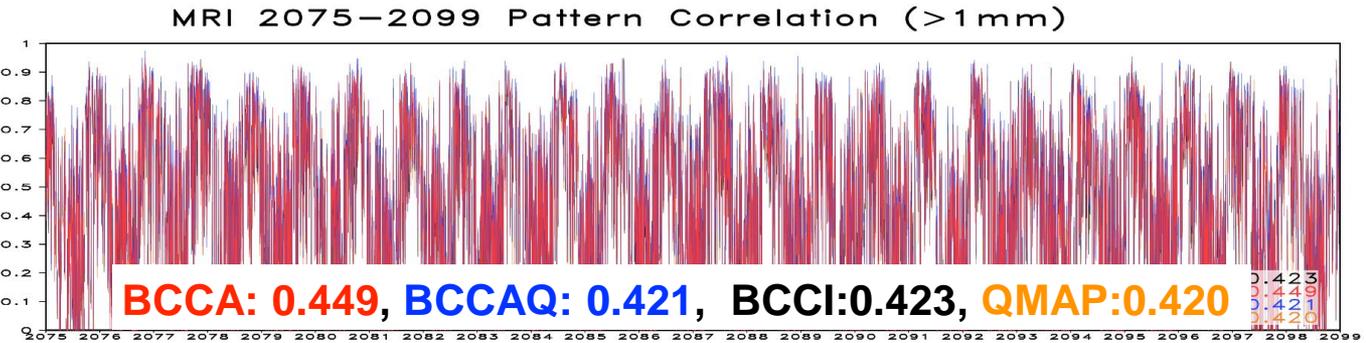
Stationarity Assumption

Pattern correlation for area mean daily rainfall >1mm

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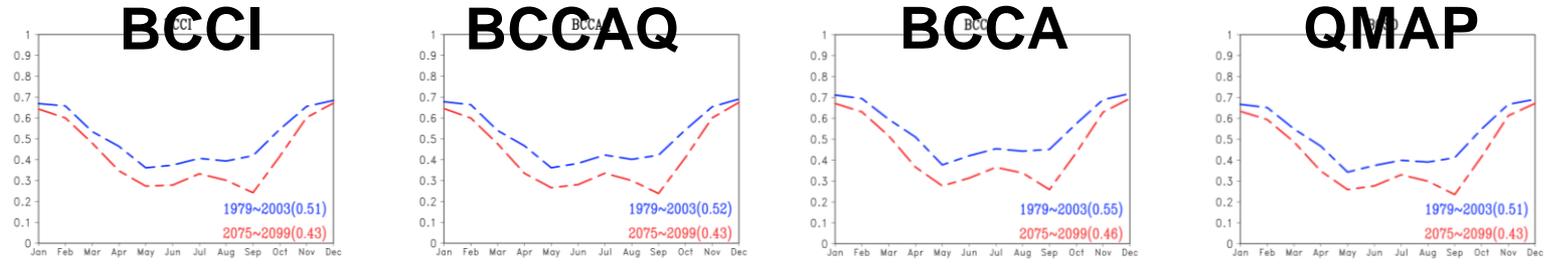


Future Projection



MRI Seasonality Of Error(Correlation)(>1mm)

Seasonality

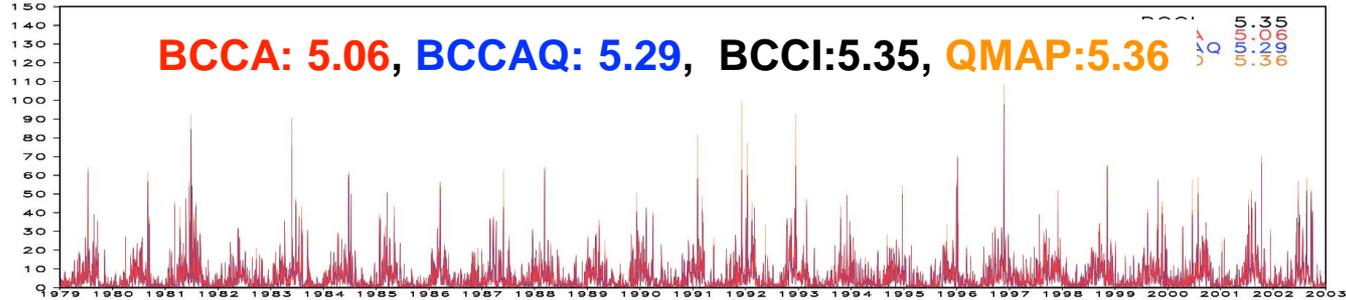


Stationarity Assumption

Mean Absolute Error of Daily Rainfall

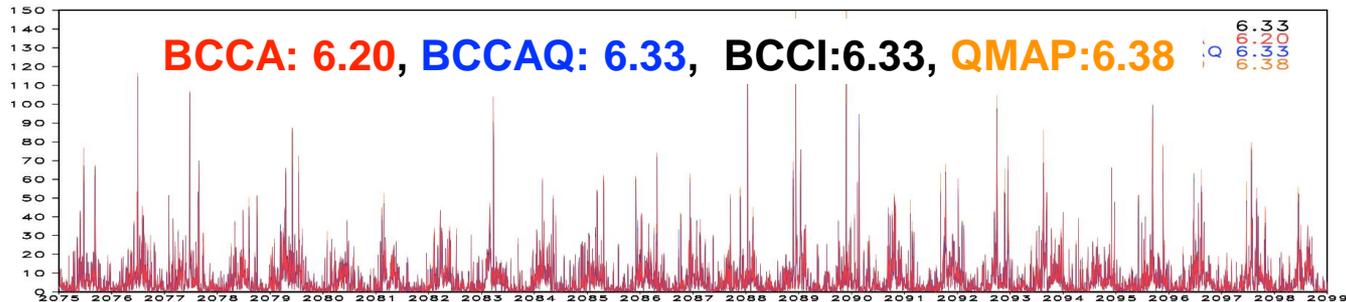
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Present



MRI 2075–2099 Mean Absolute Error

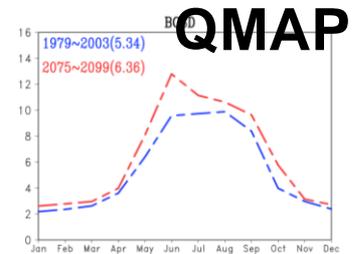
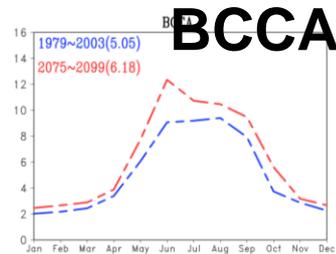
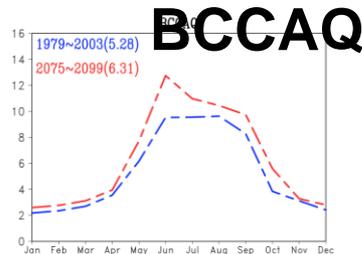
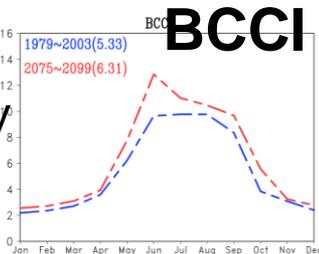
Future Projection



Ratio > 1 → “Stationarity assumption” violated (larger errors in future)

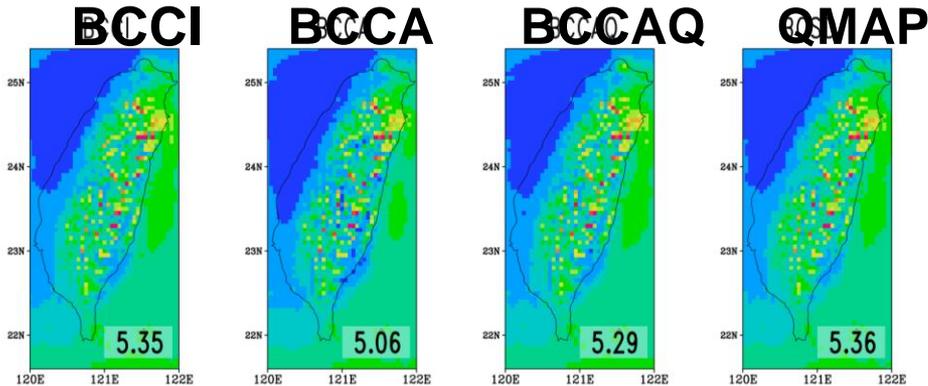
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Seasonality

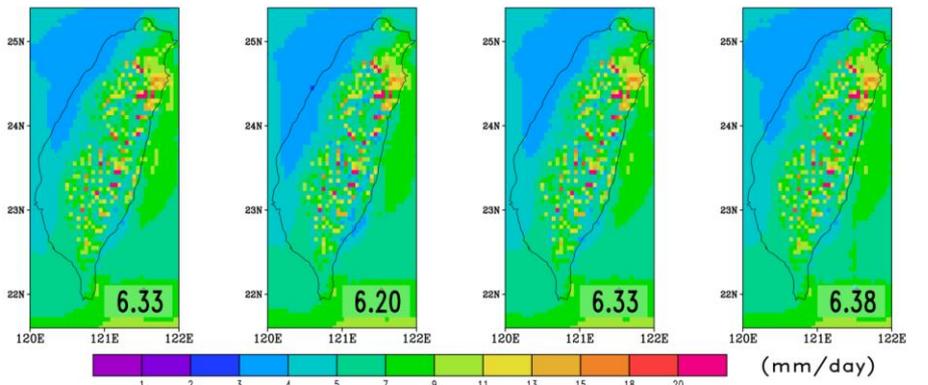


Stationarity Assumption

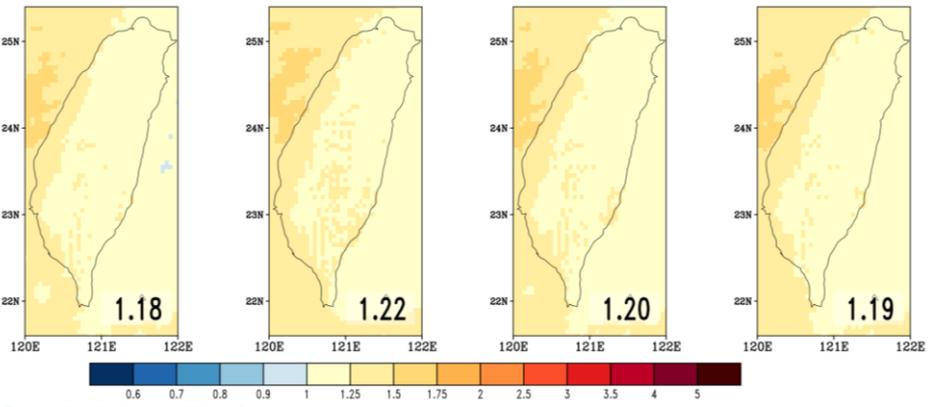
1979-2003



2075-2099



Ratio



Mean Absolute Error of Daily Rainfall

Ratio > 1 → “Stationarity assumption” violated (larger errors in future)

Summary and Concluding Remarks

- **Statistical approach is a relatively simple and cheap alternative to capture full model and scenario uncertainties.**
- **Statistical downscaling methods applied to CMIP5 data archive can effectively remove the model bias and adjust spatial scale dependence of extreme indices.**
- **Using dynamical downscaling result as surrogate observation for daily data statistical downscaling, different statistical downscaling methods will be compared for their relative strength in reproducing “pseudo-observation” and tested for their validity of stationarity assumption under climate change.**



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