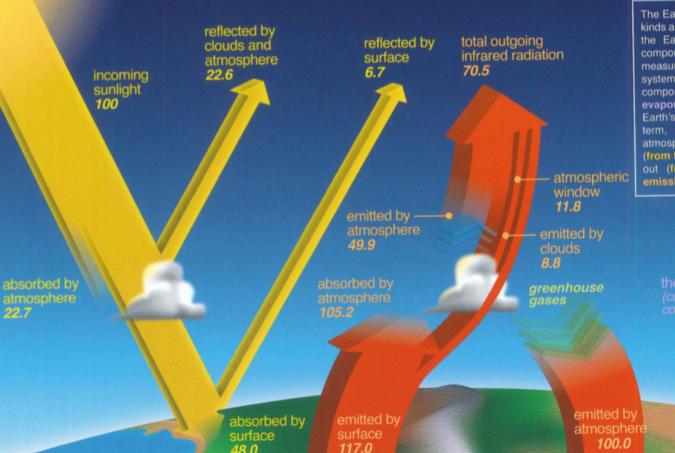




EARTH'S ENERGY BUDGET



The Earth's energy budget describes the various kinds and amounts of energy that enter and leave the Earth system. It includes both radiative components (light and heat), that can be measured by CERES, a high priority NASA Earth system measurement program, and other components like conduction, convection, and evaporation, which also transport heat from the Earth's surface. On average, and over the long term, there is a balance at the top of the atmosphere. The amount of energy coming in (from the Sun) is the same as the amount going out (from reflection of sunlight and from emission of infrared radiation - IR or heat).



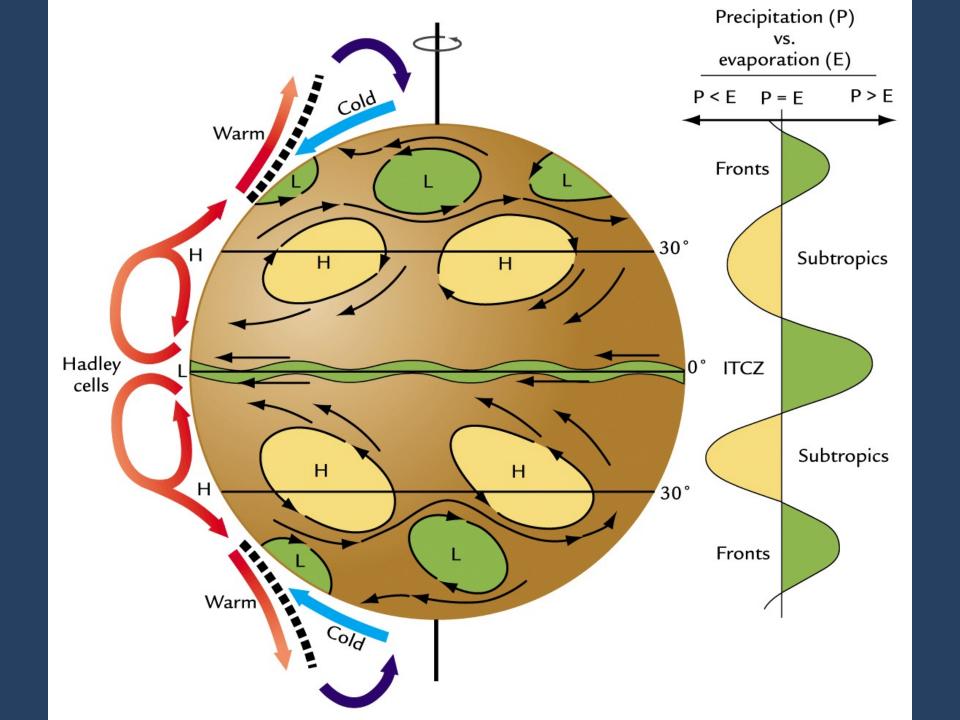
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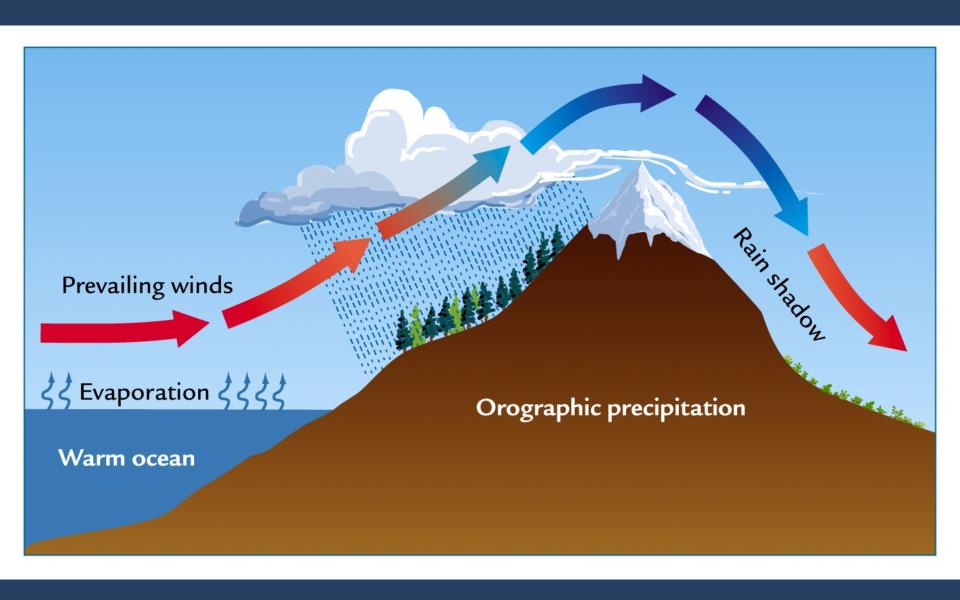
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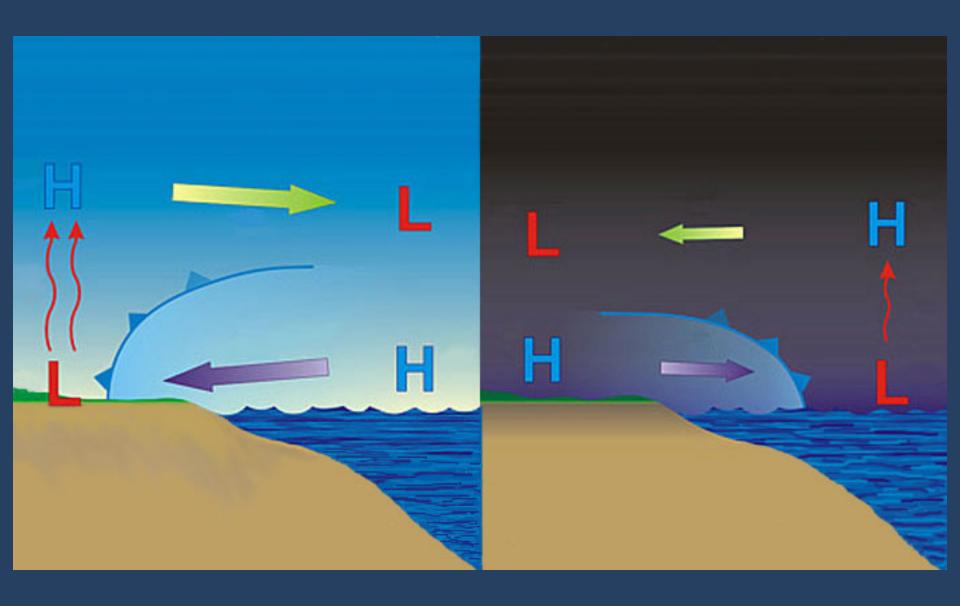
Net absorbed by Earth System: 0.2%

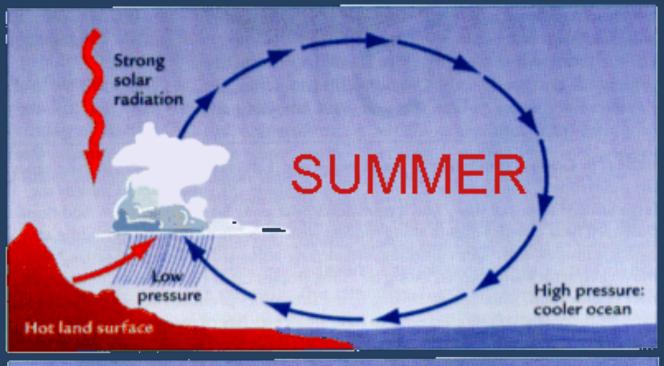
All values are fluxes in percent and are average values based on ten years of data In this diagram, 100% corresponds to 340.4 Watts per square meter (W/m²)

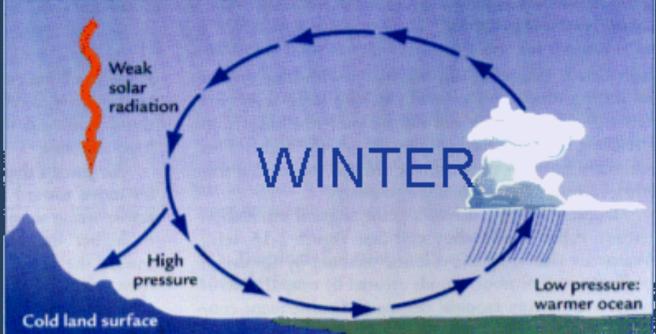
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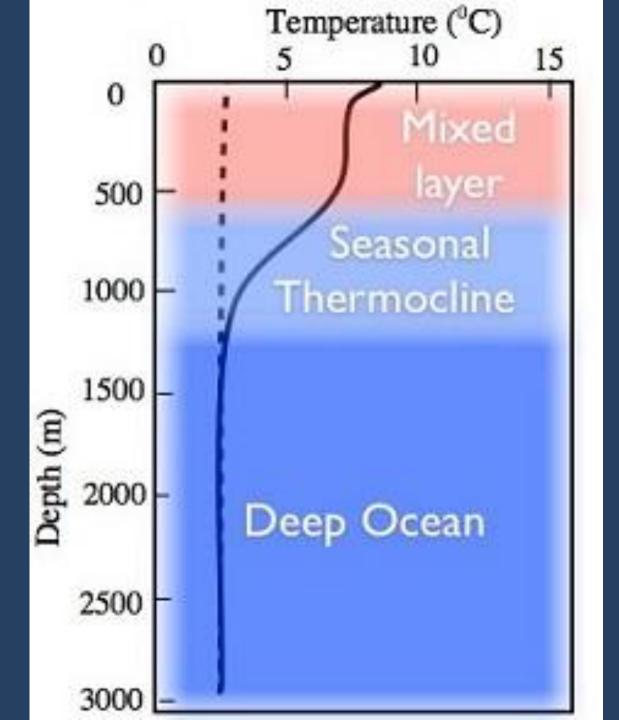








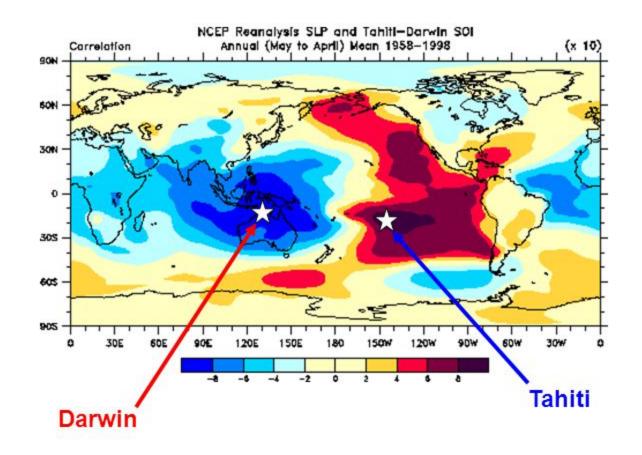




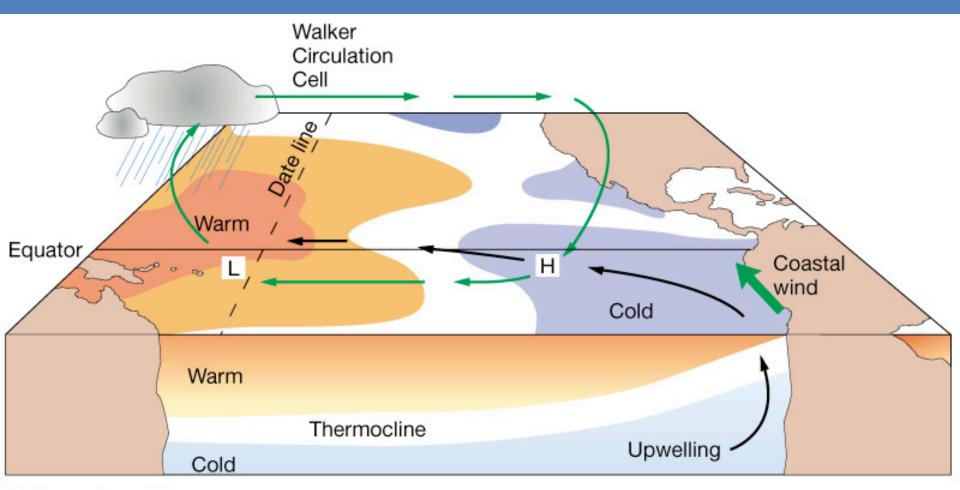
The Southern Oscillation



Sir Gilbert Walker (1868-1958)

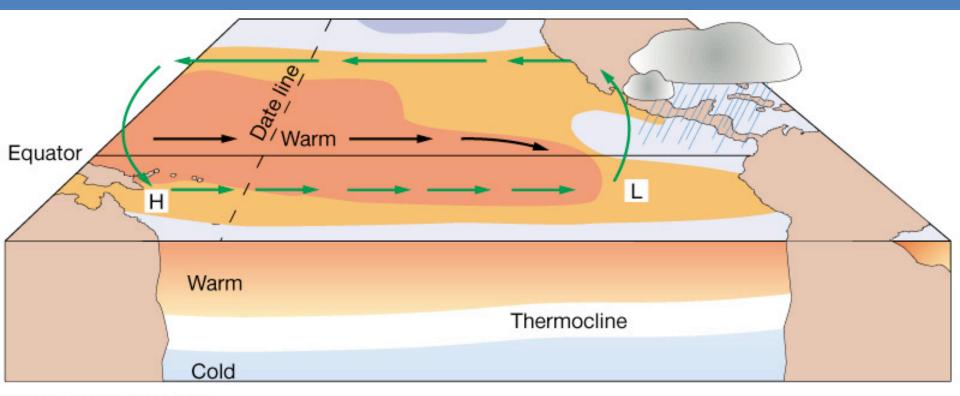


Normal conditions in the Pacific Ocean



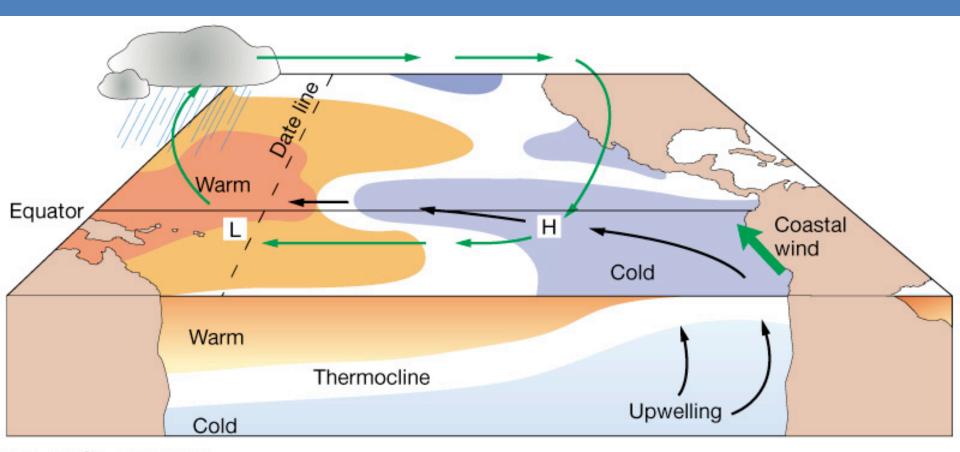
(a) Normal conditions

El Niño conditions (ENSO warm phase)

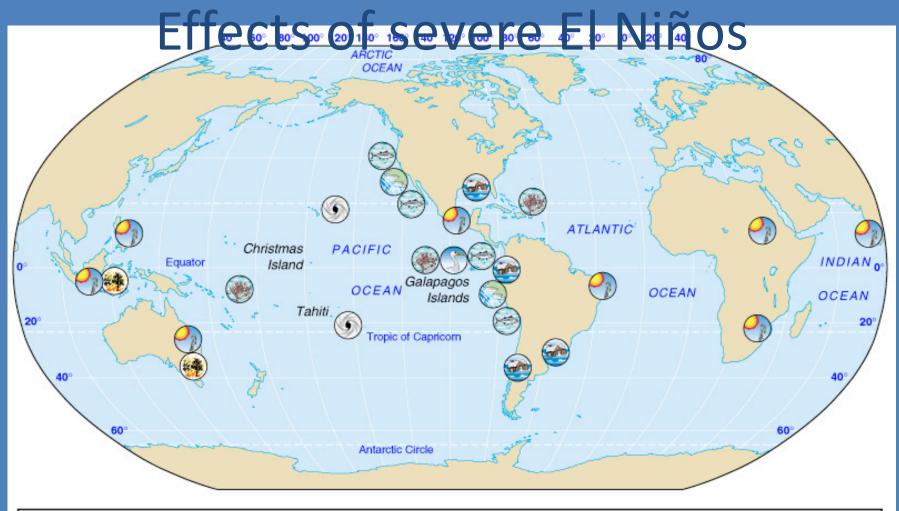


(b) El Niño conditions

La Niña conditions (cool phase; opposite of El Niño)



(c) La Niña conditions





Marine life impacted



Floods



Coastal Erosion



Drought



Coral reef damage



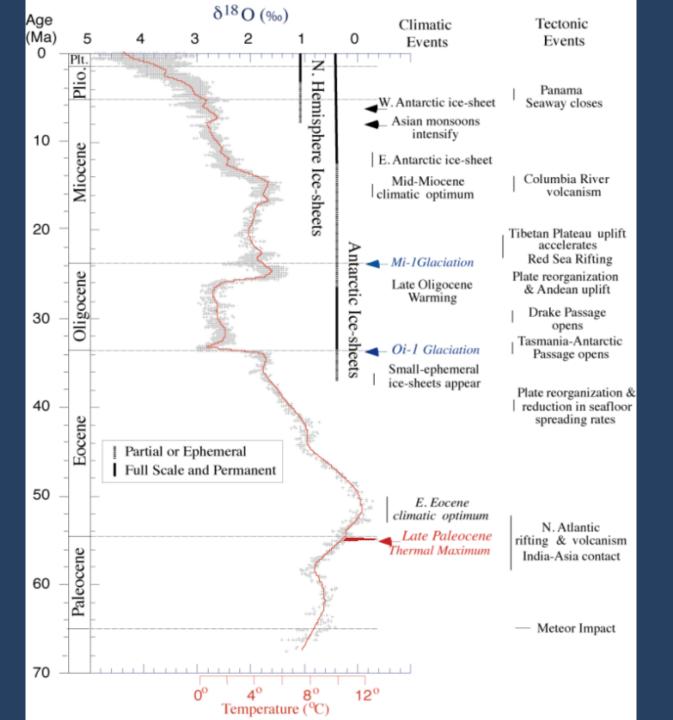
Bird life impacted

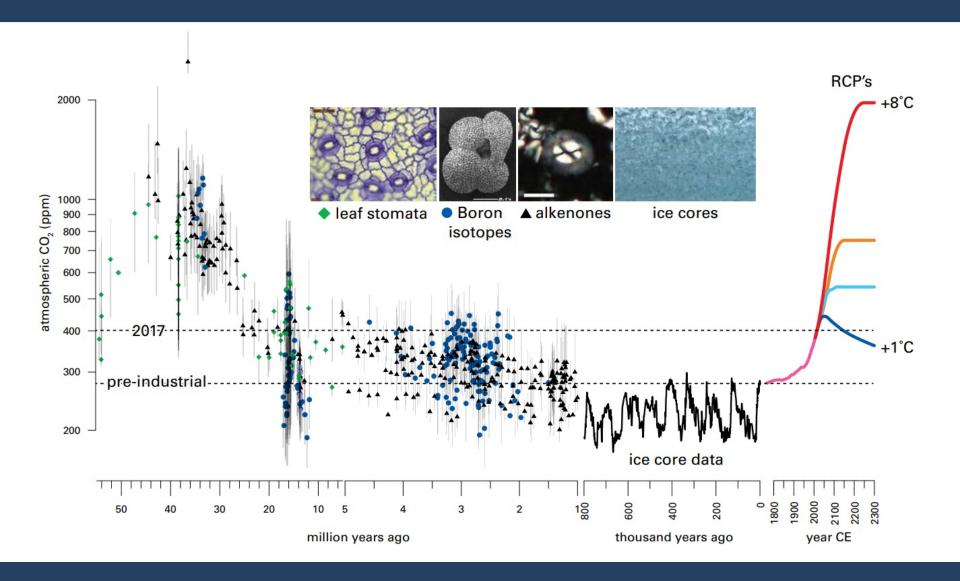


Forest Fires



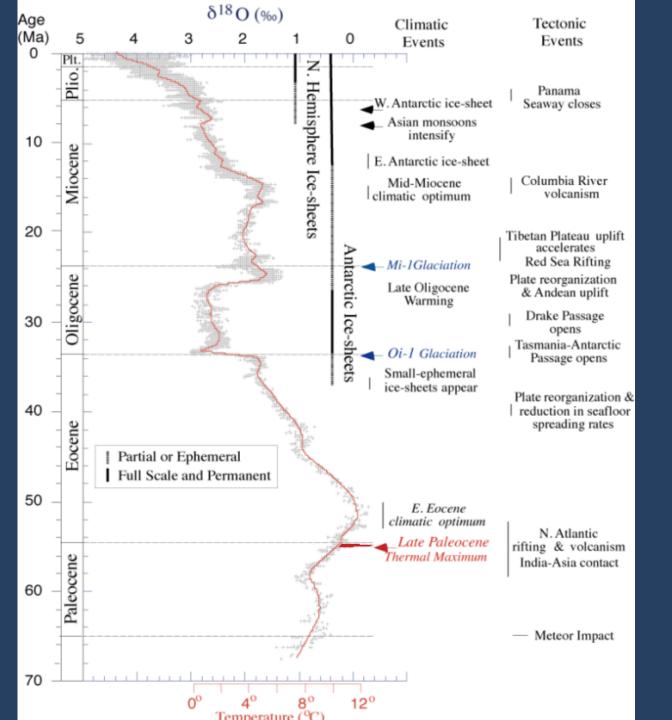
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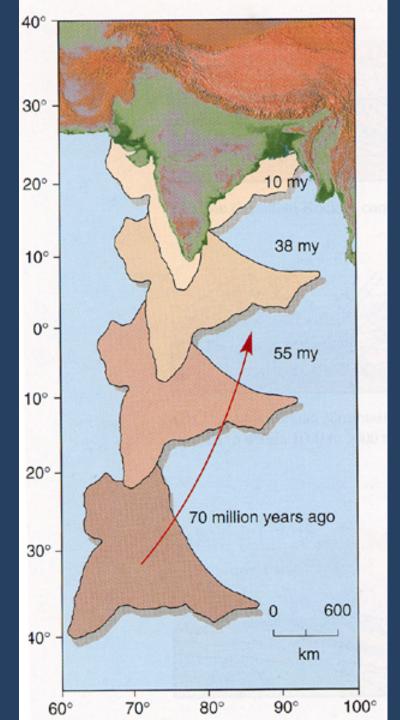




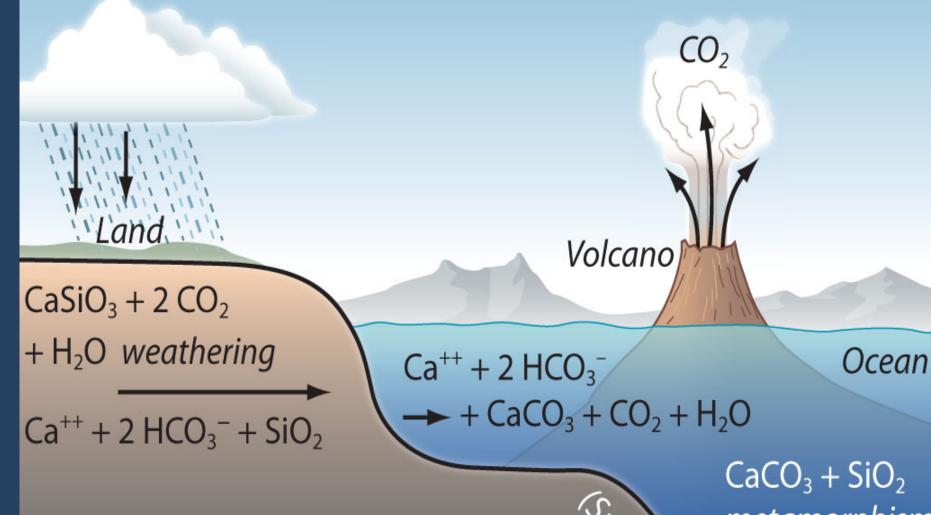








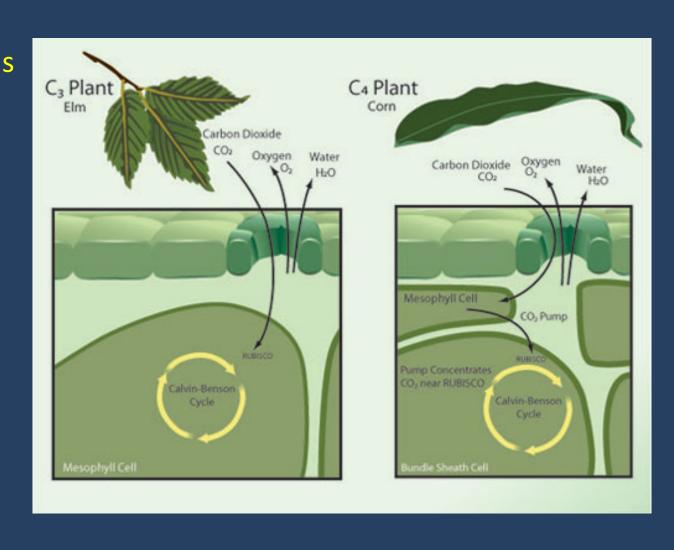


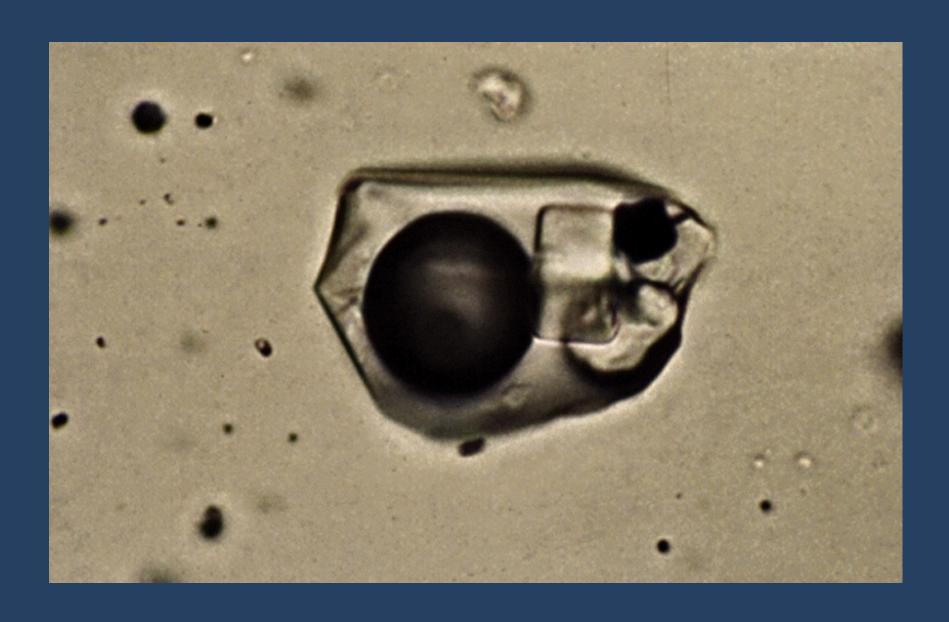


 $CaCO_3 + SiO_2$ metamorphism $CaSiO_3 + CO_2$

Grasses: a new type of photosynthesis

C4 plants evolved in the Oligocene as a response to lowering CO₂ levels, drought conditions and other environmental stresses. Arose in many families of plants simultaneously; a good example of convergent evolution





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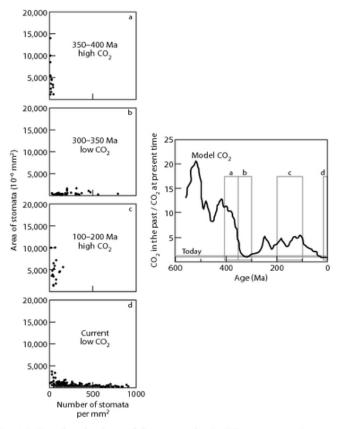
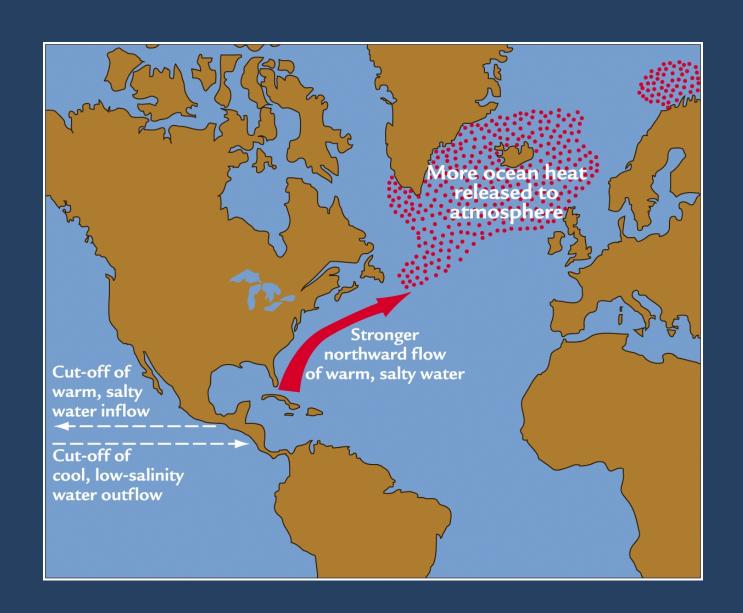
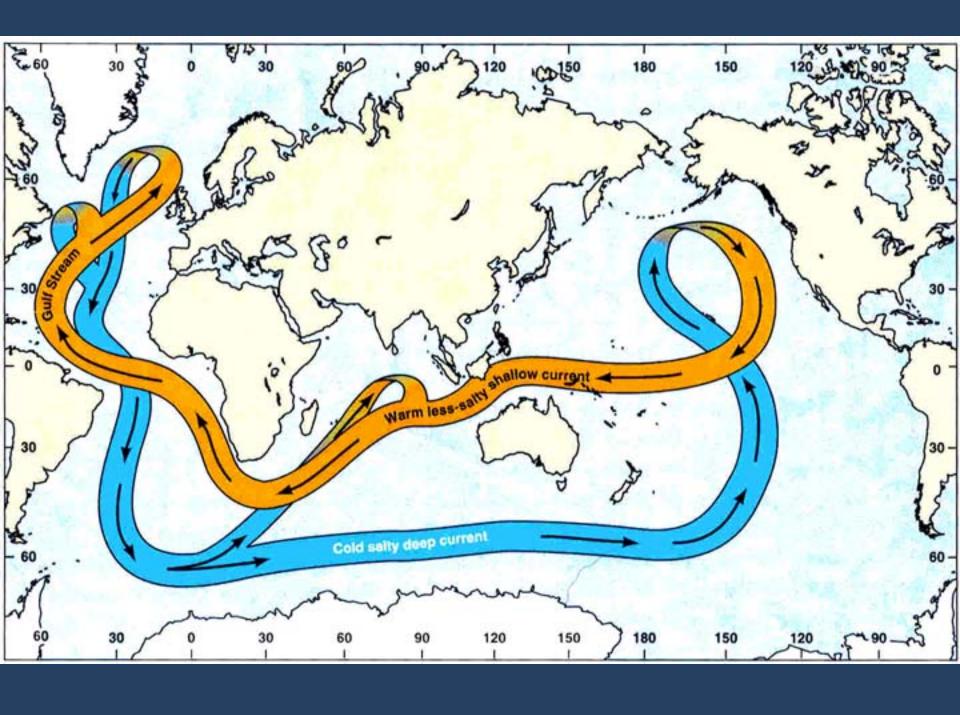
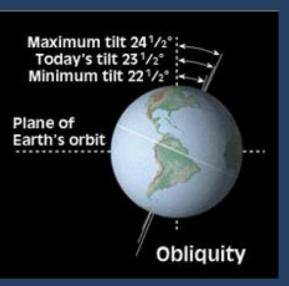


Fig. 4.2. Simulated values of the atmospheric CO₂ concentration during the Phanerozoic, and implications for the atmospheric CO₂ level from the size and abundance of stomata in fossil leaves. *Right*: Atmospheric CO₂ concentration versus time over the Phanerozoic, as simulated by the Geocarbsulf model of Berner (2006). The boxes labeled a–d mark the times corresponding to the panels on the *left*. Other 4 panels: Area of stomata versus number density of stomata for leaves from four time intervals. Large numbers of small stomata

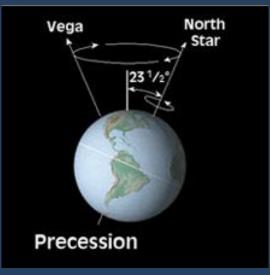




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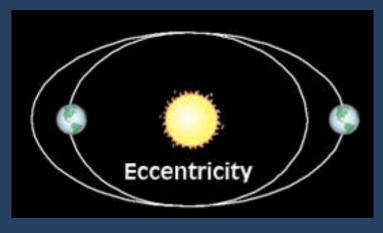


Obliquity



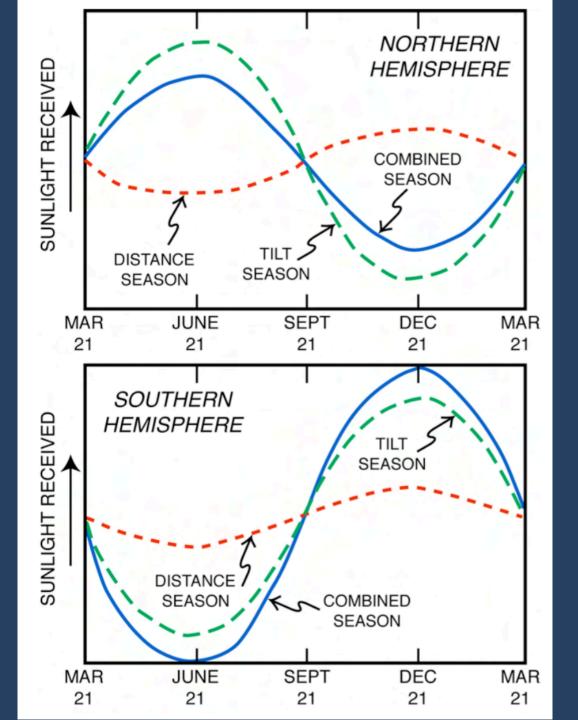
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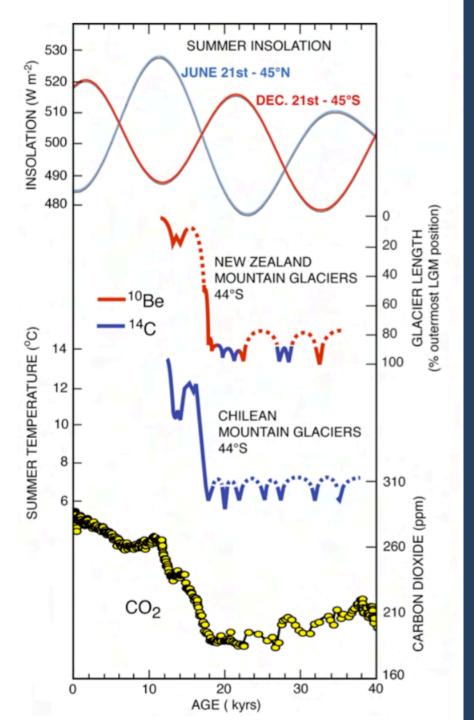
Earth's wobble, tilt, and orbit



Eccentricity

Changing Seasonality



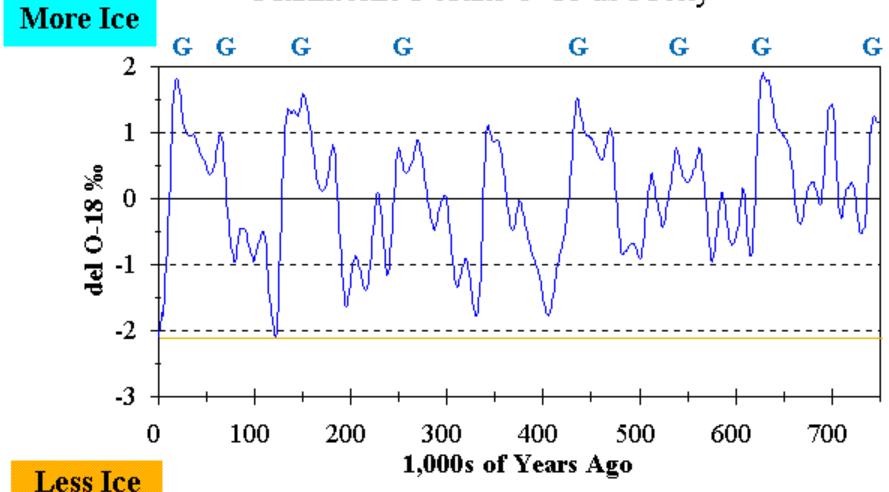


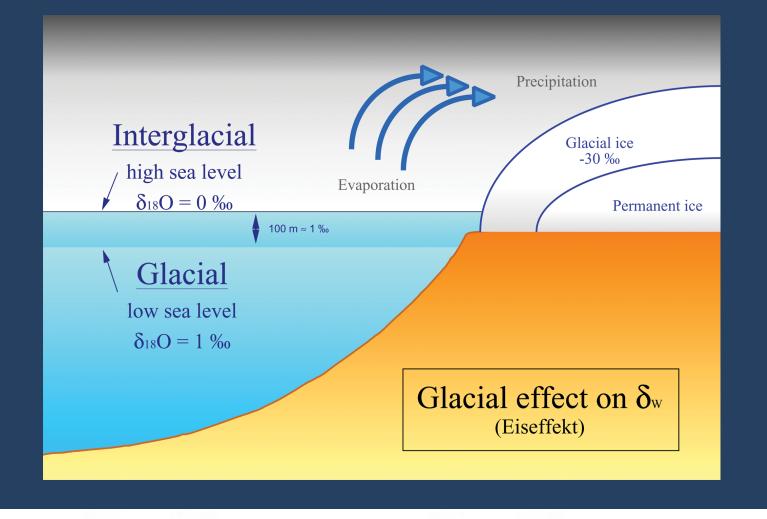
This shows us that the
Northern Hemisphere
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Glaciations should occur at
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Millankovitch
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They are in phase

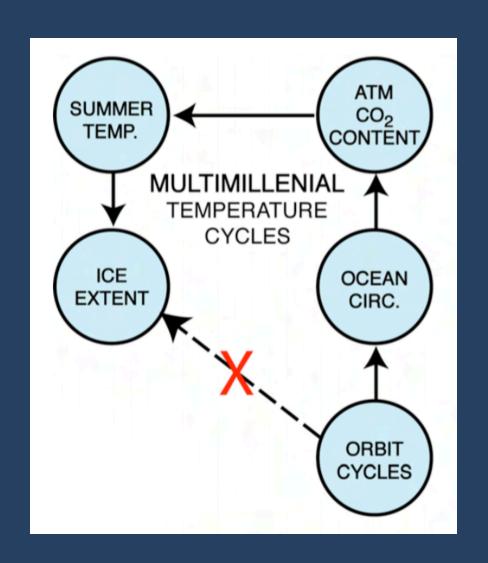


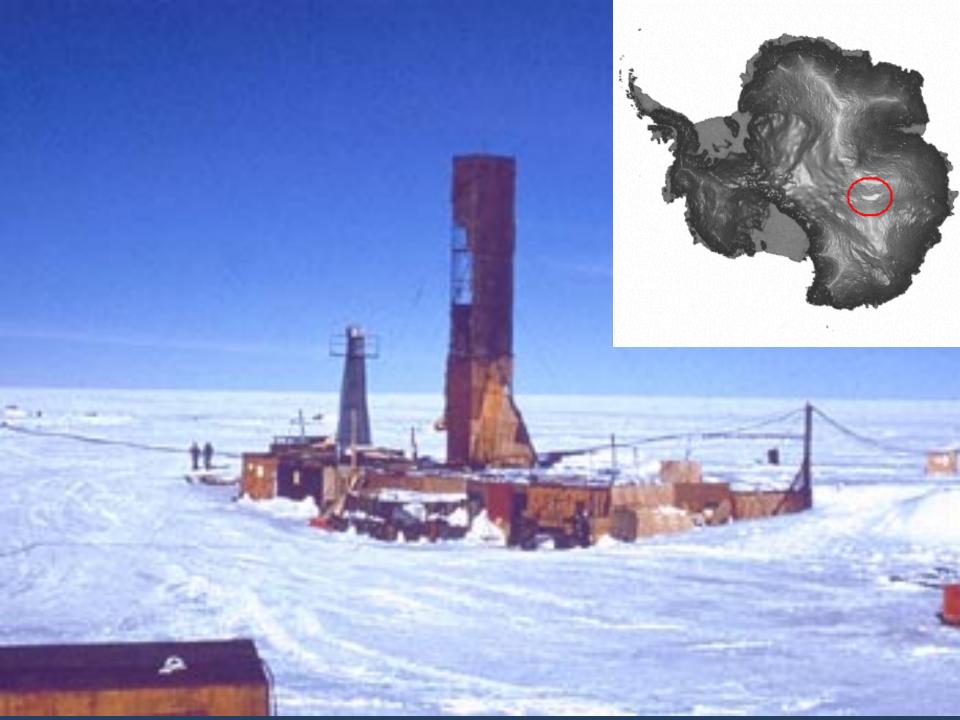
Planktonic Foram O-18 as Proxy

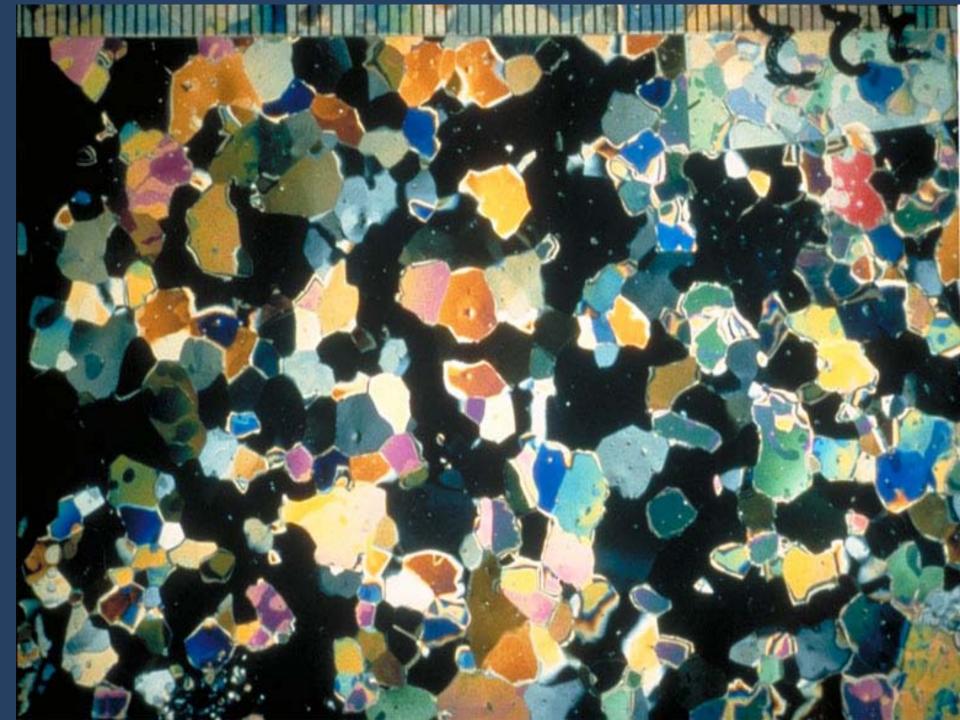


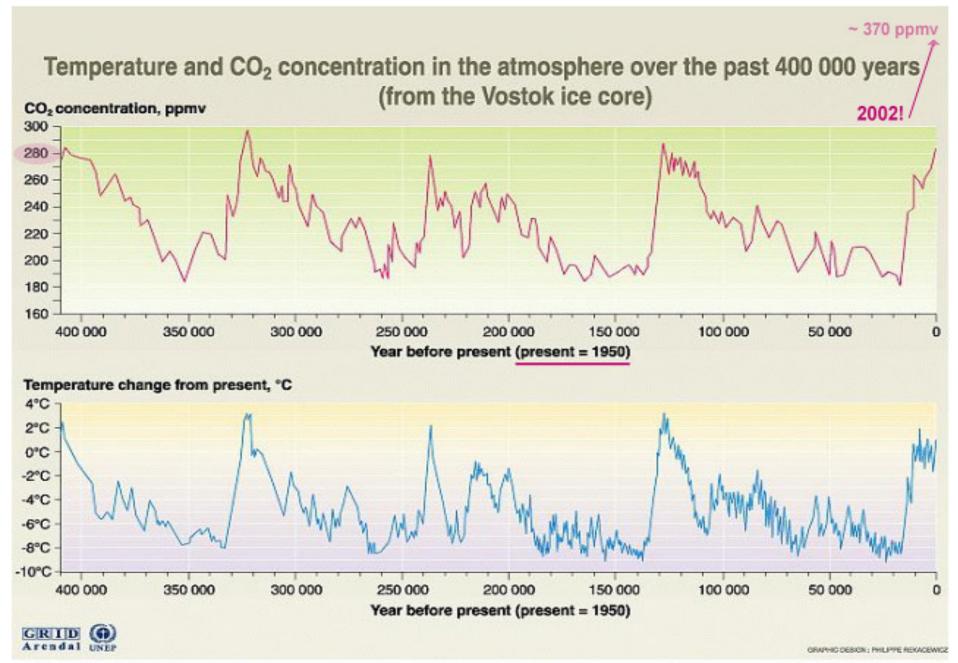


$$S^{18}O = \frac{(^{18} \text{ O})^{16} \text{ O})sample - (^{18} \text{ O})^{16} \text{ O})SMOW}{(^{18} \text{ O})^{16} \text{ O})SMOW} \times 1000$$



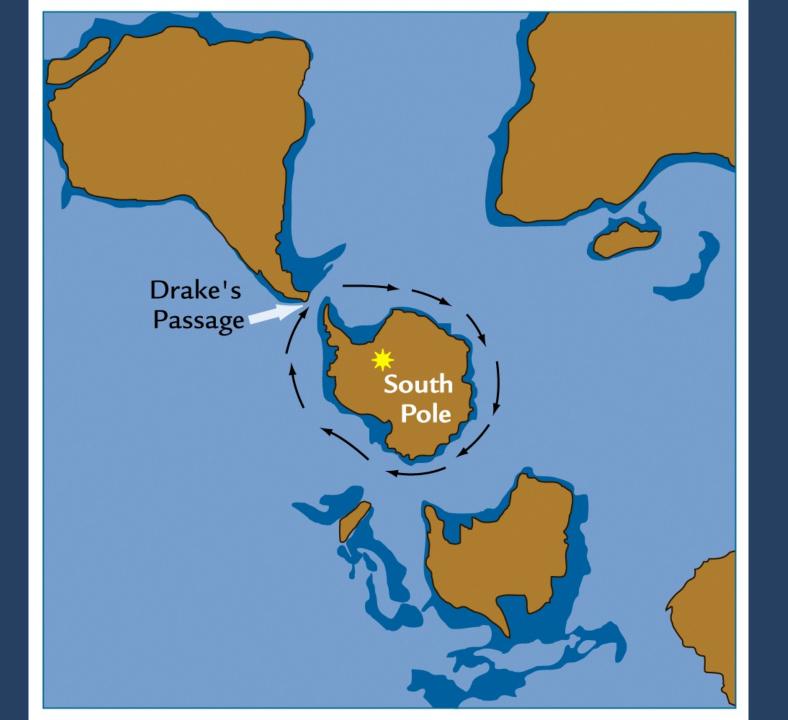






Source: J.R. Petit, J. Jouzel, et al. Climate and atmospheric history of the past 420 900 years from the Vestek ice core in Antarctica, Nature 399 (3JUne), pp 429-436, 1999.

(Note: 2002 information added to diagram)



Latest CO₂ reading January 09, 2019

410.51 ppm

Carbon dioxide concentration at Mauna Loa Observatory

