# The Impact of Anthropogenic Forcing on ENSO Amplitude

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## Introduction

#### **Climate Change**

- The earth is getting warmer. (Pachauri et al., 2014)
- Climate varies on different scales.
- Long-term trends and short-term noise.

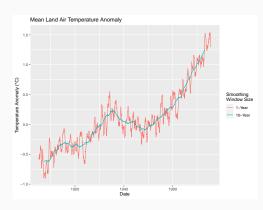
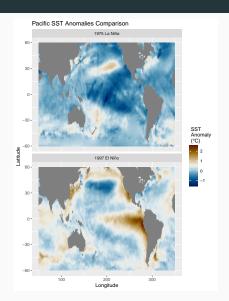


Figure 1: Global mean land air temperature in GISSTEMP 4 dataset. (Team et al., 2019) and (Lenssen et al., 2019)

#### El Niño

- Warming and cooling of the Pacific Ocean.
- Affects human societies through temperature and rainfall. (Ropelewski and Halpert, 1987)
- May be affected by climate change.

Figure 2: Comparison of SST anomaly between 1975 La Niña event and 1997 El Niño event in HadISST 1 dataset. (Rayner et al., 2003)



#### **Climate Simulation**

#### **ENSO** in the Future

#### **Gap and Goal**

#### **Research Questions**

#### Data and Methods

#### **Ensembles: CESM1 and CESM2**

#### **Analysis Tools**

#### R:

- ncdf4
- Z00
- dplyr
- ggplot2
- WaveletComp
- reshape2

#### Python:

- numpy
- pandas
- scipy
- matplotlib
- netCDF4

#### Other:

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#### Role of Mentor and Student

#### Mentor:

- Suggest future methods
- Conduct parallel analysis to complement student work
- Provide raw precollected data
- Interpret data produced by student
- Review student writing

#### Student:

- Analyze data on computer
- Produce graphics for analysis and publication
- Write documentation
- Suggest interpretations of data

## Measuring ENSO

## **Measuring ENSO Intensity**

## Signal and Noise

## **ENSO** is Becoming Stronger

#### It's not That Simple

## **Single Forcing Ensembles**

#### Influence of Aerosols and Greenhouse Gasses

#### **Correlation With Ocean Temperature**

#### Stratification

#### **Stratification in Other Ensembles**

## Conclusion

#### **Conclusions**

#### Discussion

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