

# Advanced School on High-Performance Computing and Applied AI for High-Resolution Regional Climate Modeling

## Climate models: examples of use

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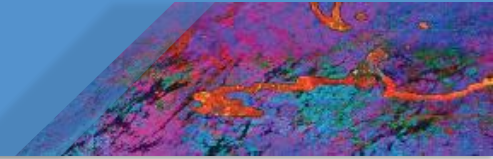
# Climate models

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**A climate model is a numerical representation of the climate system** that reproduces the main complex interactions between the atmosphere, ocean, land surface, snow and ice, the global ecosystem, and a variety of chemical and biological processes.

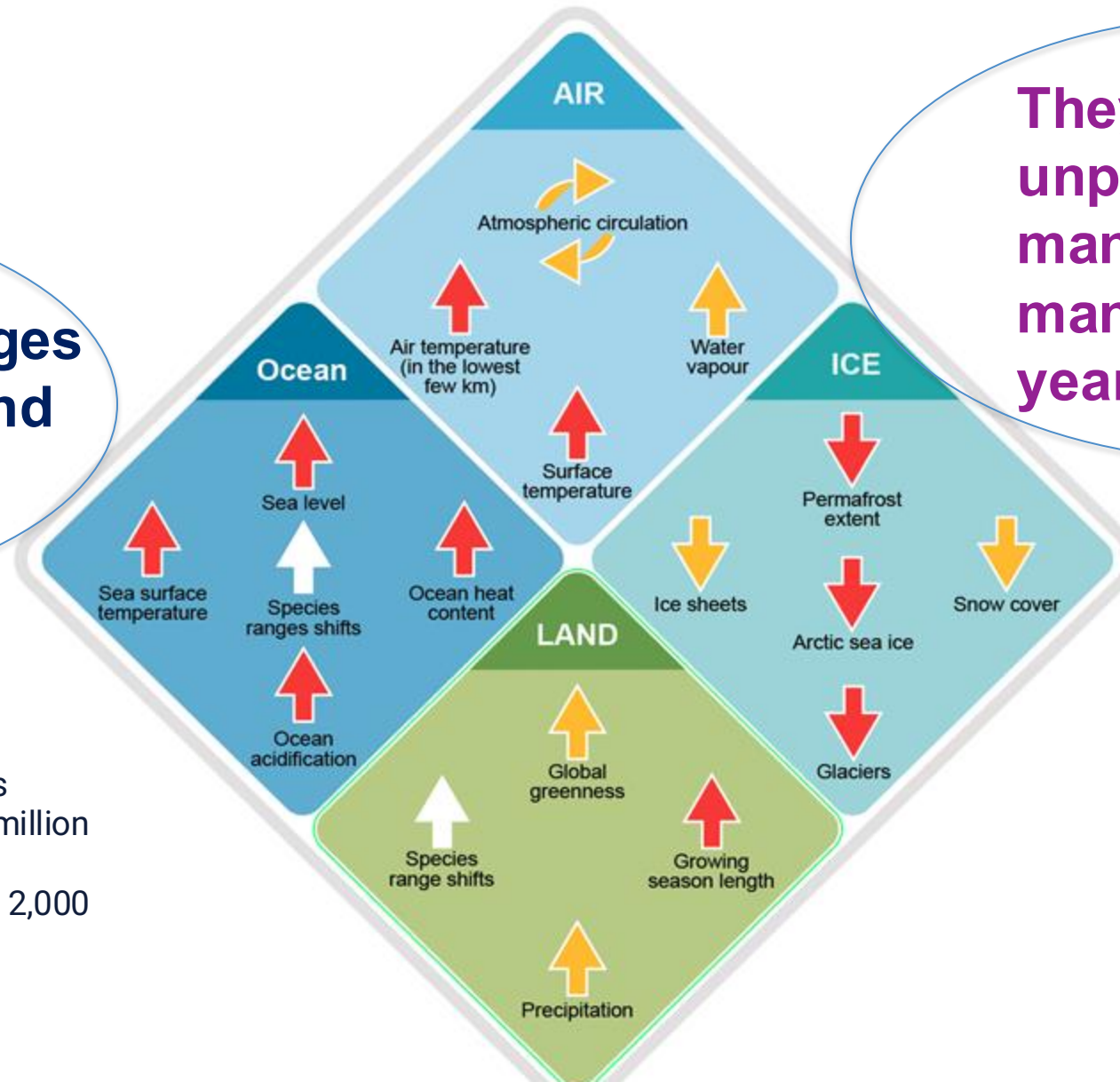


For what ..... ?



**The recent climate changes are widespread, rapid, and intensifying**

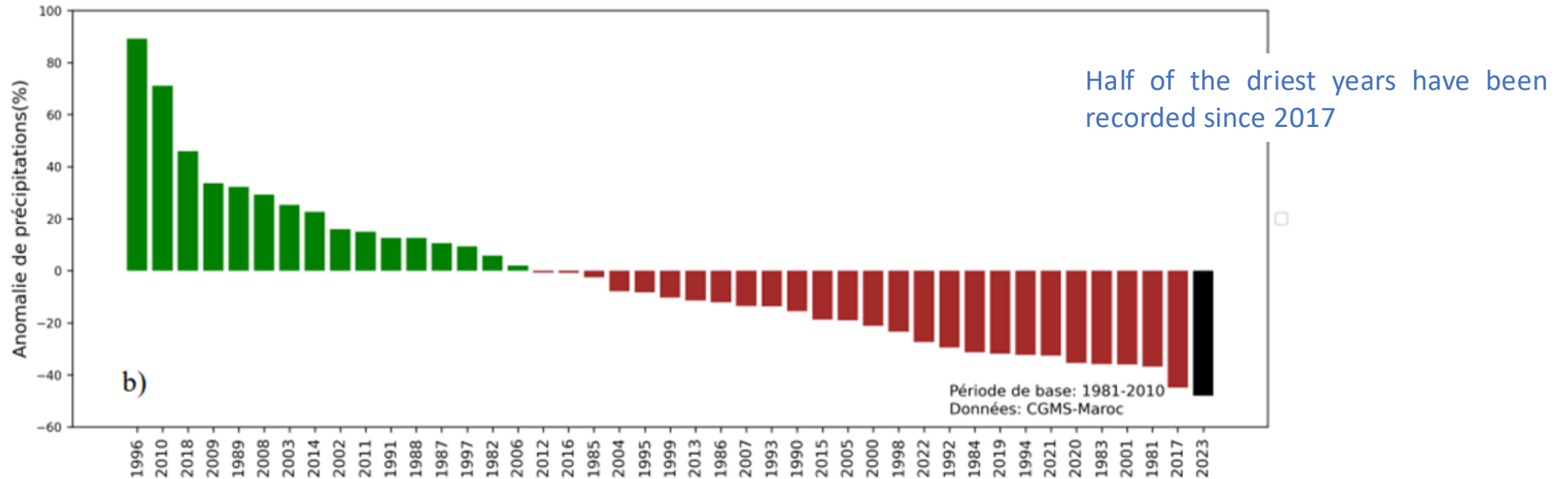
- Fastest sea level rise in at least 3,000 years
- Unusual ocean acidification in at least 2 million years
- Melting glaciers unprecedented in at least 2,000 years



**They are unprecedented over many centuries to many thousands of years.**

# Case of Morocco: Drought

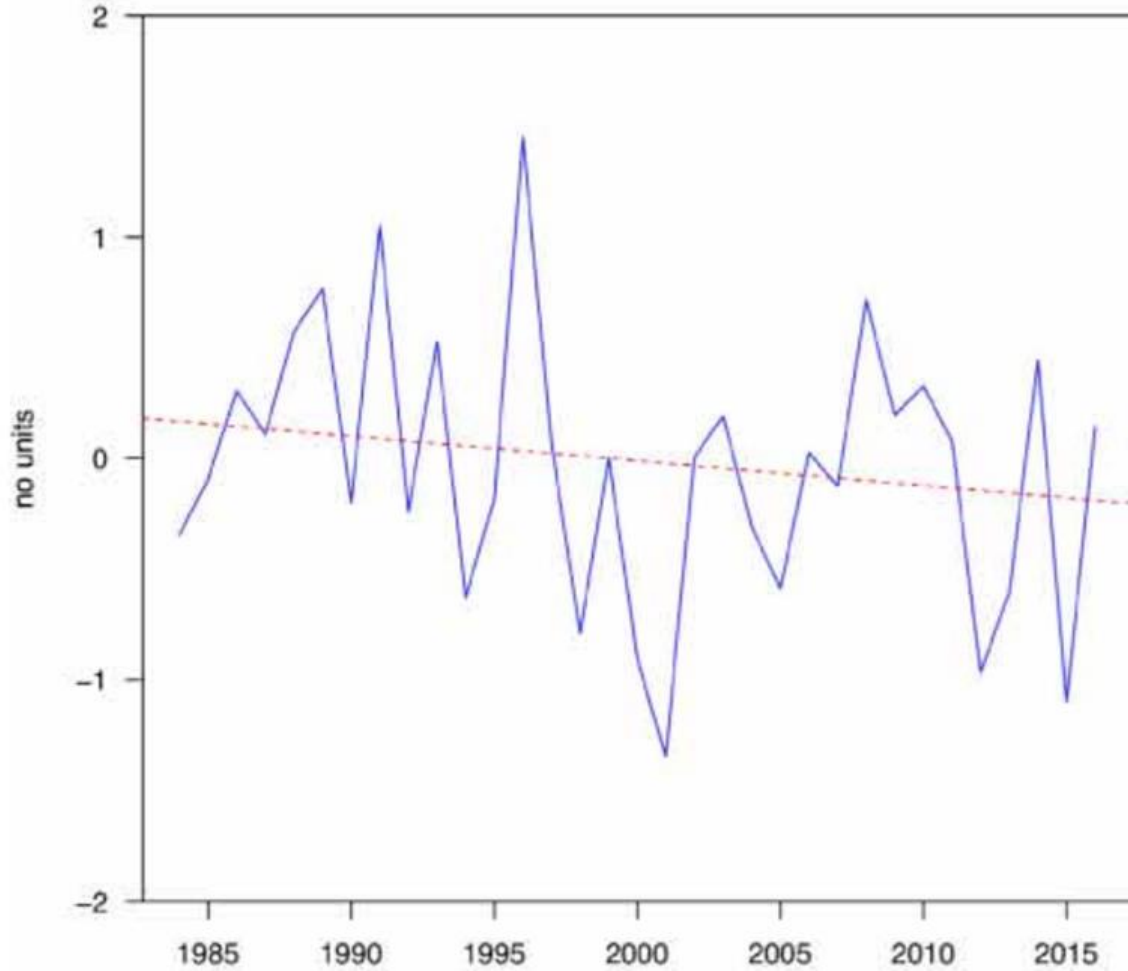
Years ranked by total rainfall amounts



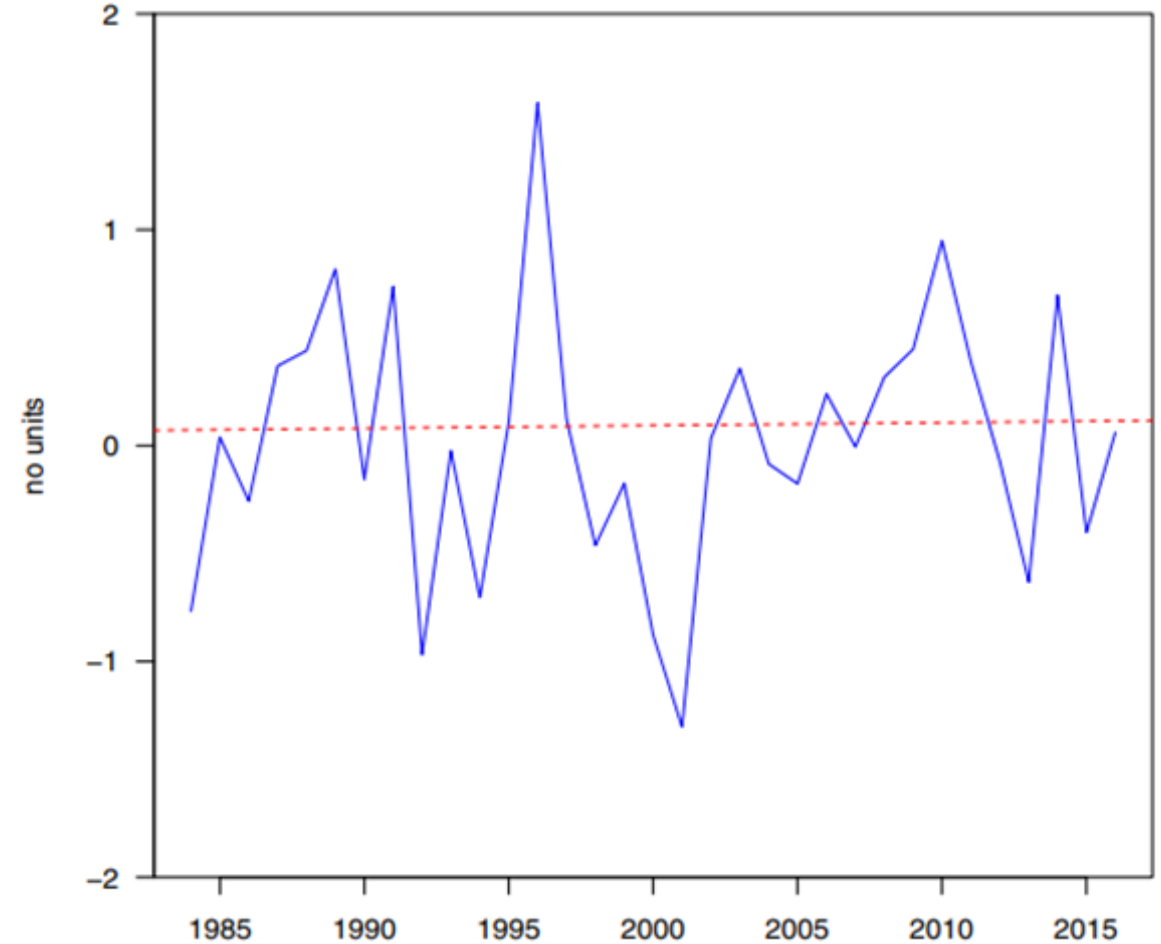
Etat du climat 2023 (DGM, 2024)

## Case of Morocco: Drought

Standard Precipitation index (SPEI)

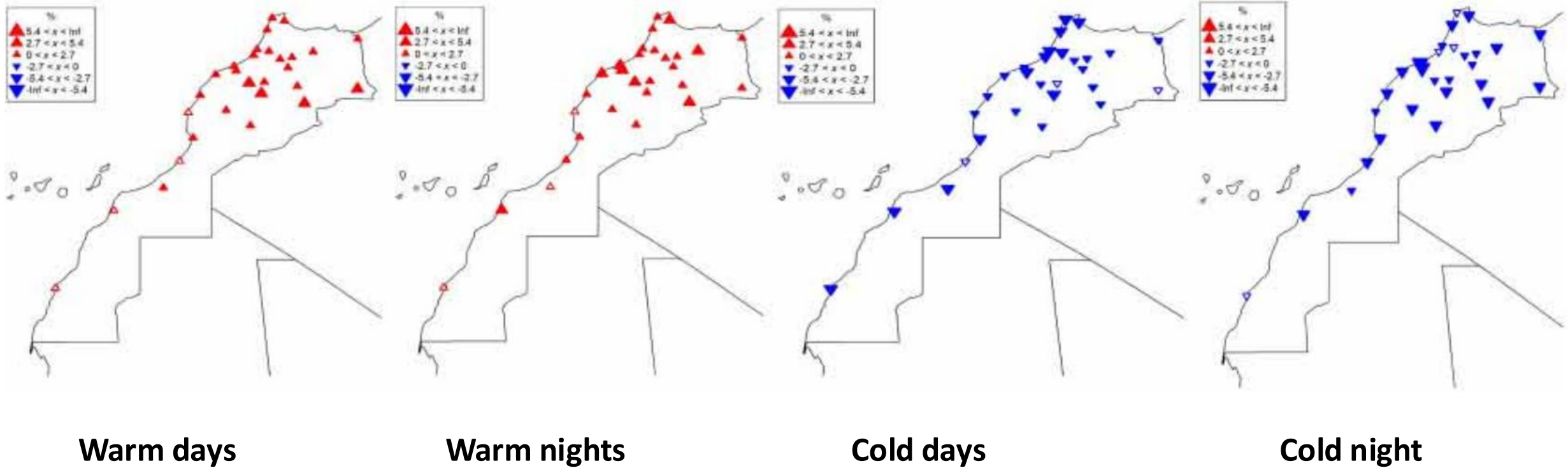


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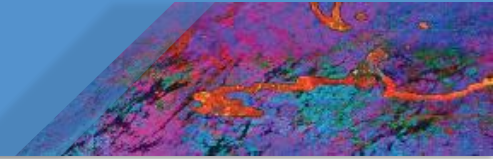


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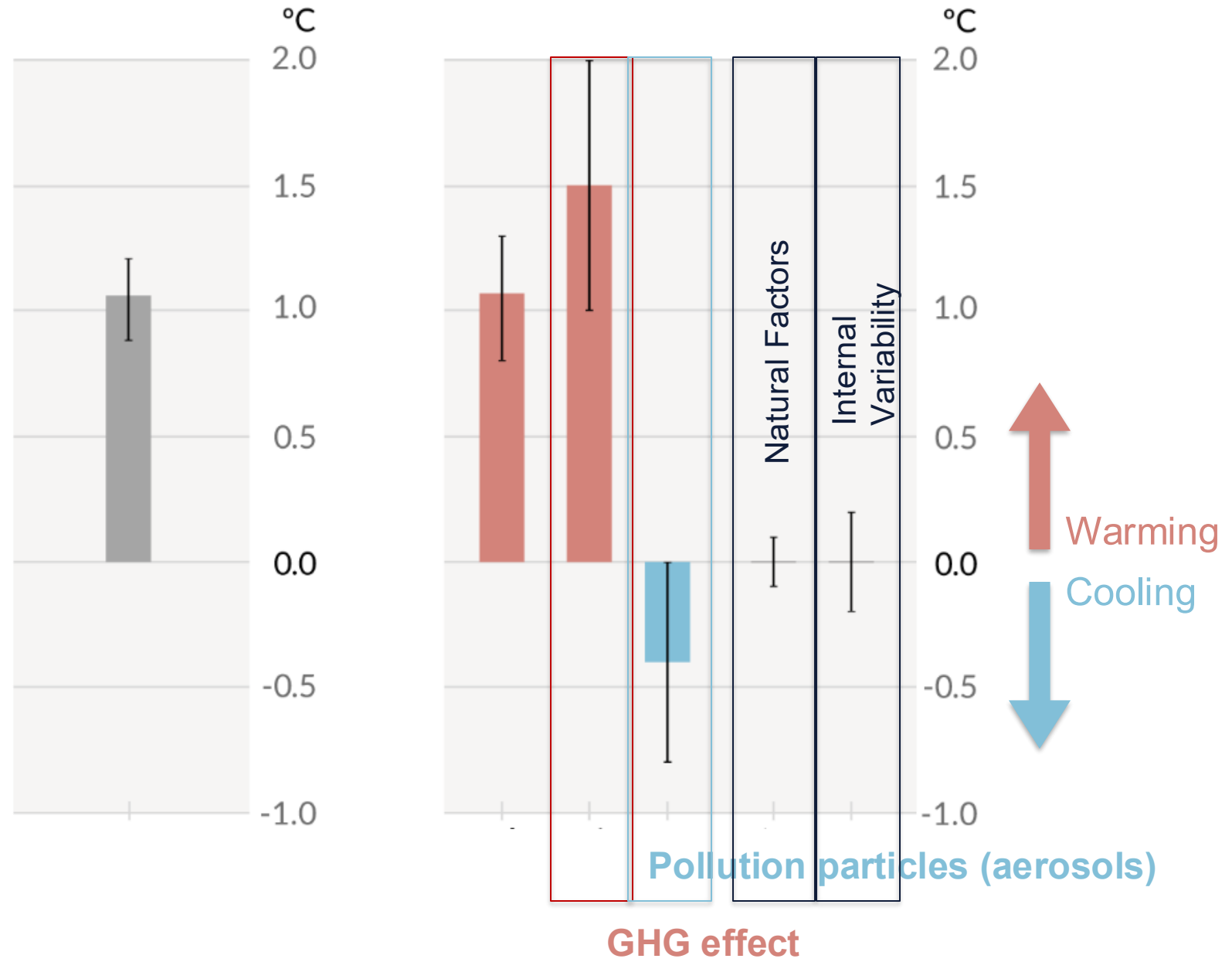
## Case of Morocco: increased heat

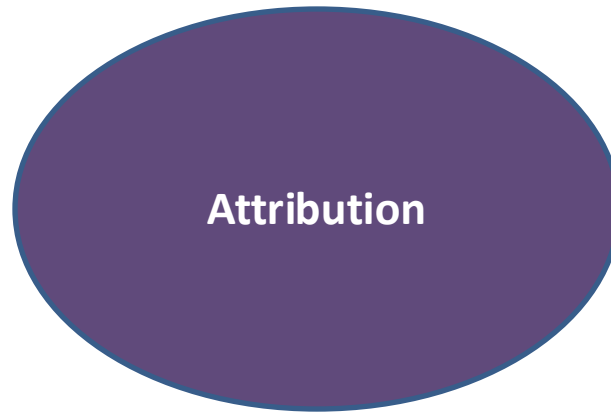
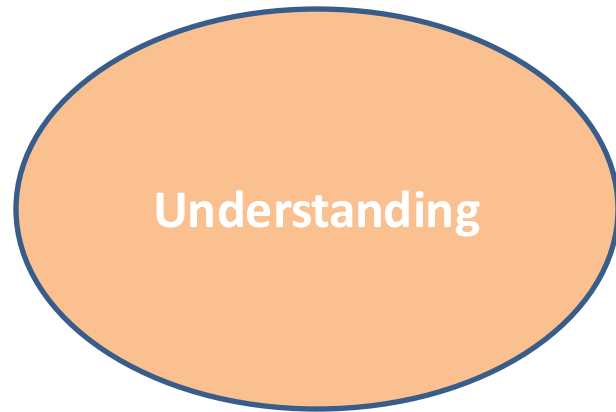


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It is unequivocal that human influence has warmed the atmosphere, ocean and land.



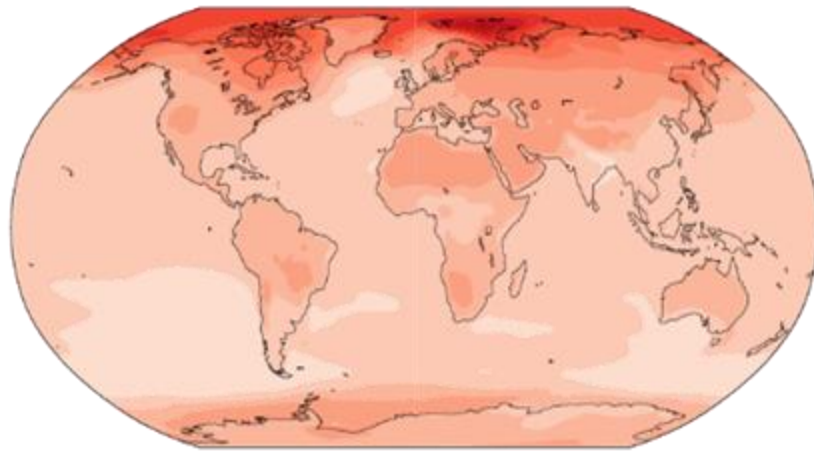


**Climate models are used to study  
climate and predict their future  
changes ....**

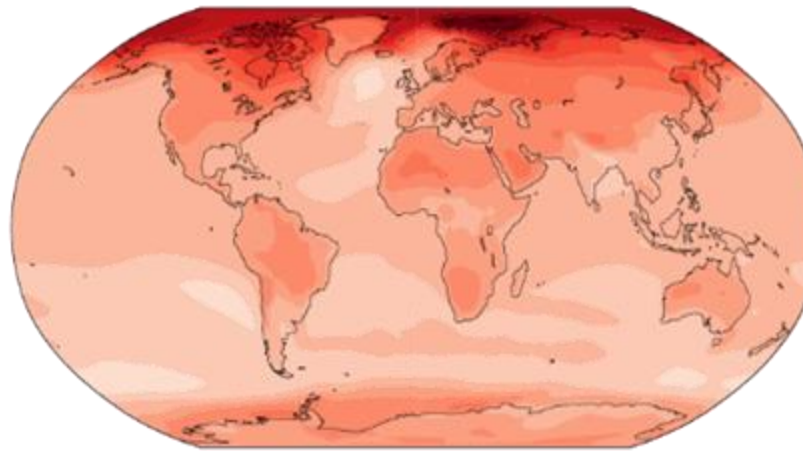
With every increment of global warming, changes get larger in regional mean temperature, precipitation and soil moisture

Annual mean temperature change ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) relative to 1850-1900

1.5 $^{\circ}\text{C}$



2 $^{\circ}\text{C}$



at 4 $^{\circ}\text{C}$

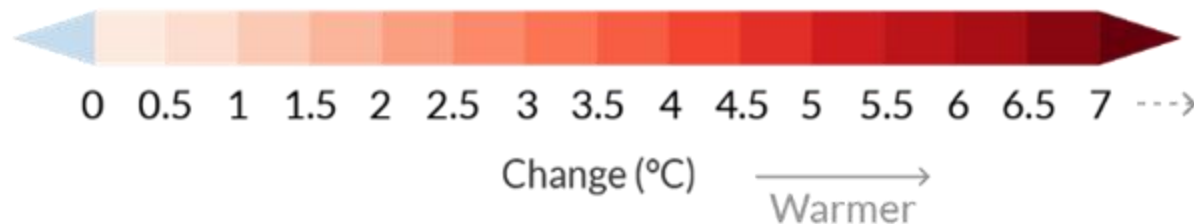
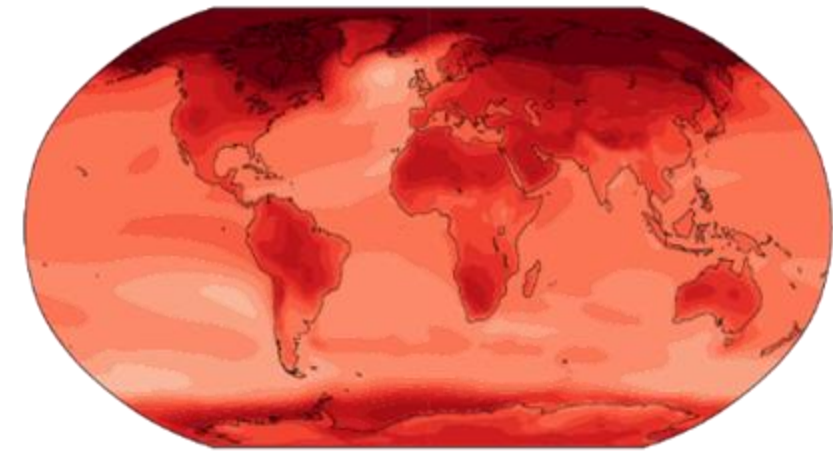
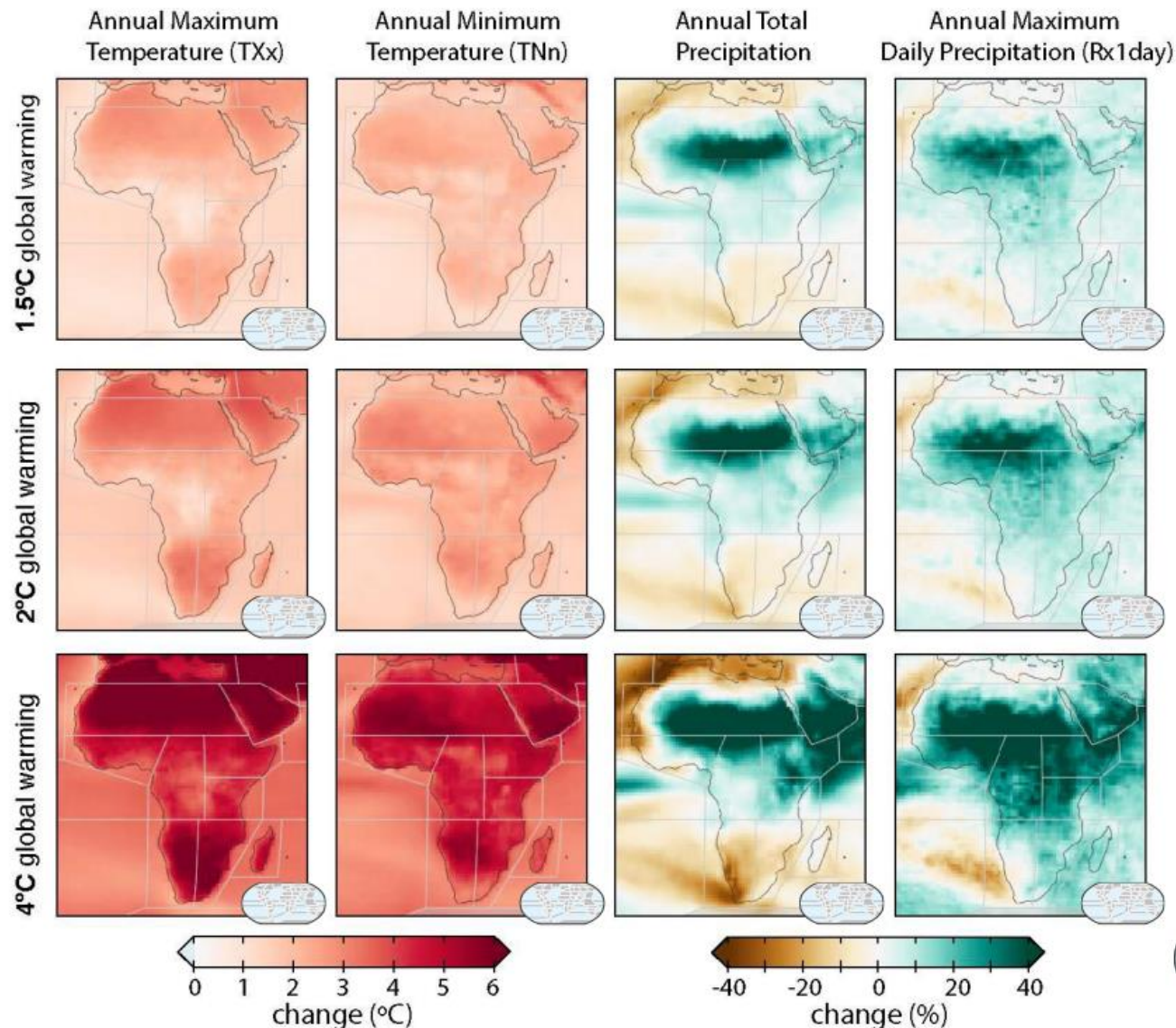


Figure SPM.5



**With additional increases in global warming, changes in hot and cold temperature extremes, mean and maximum one day precipitation get larger.**

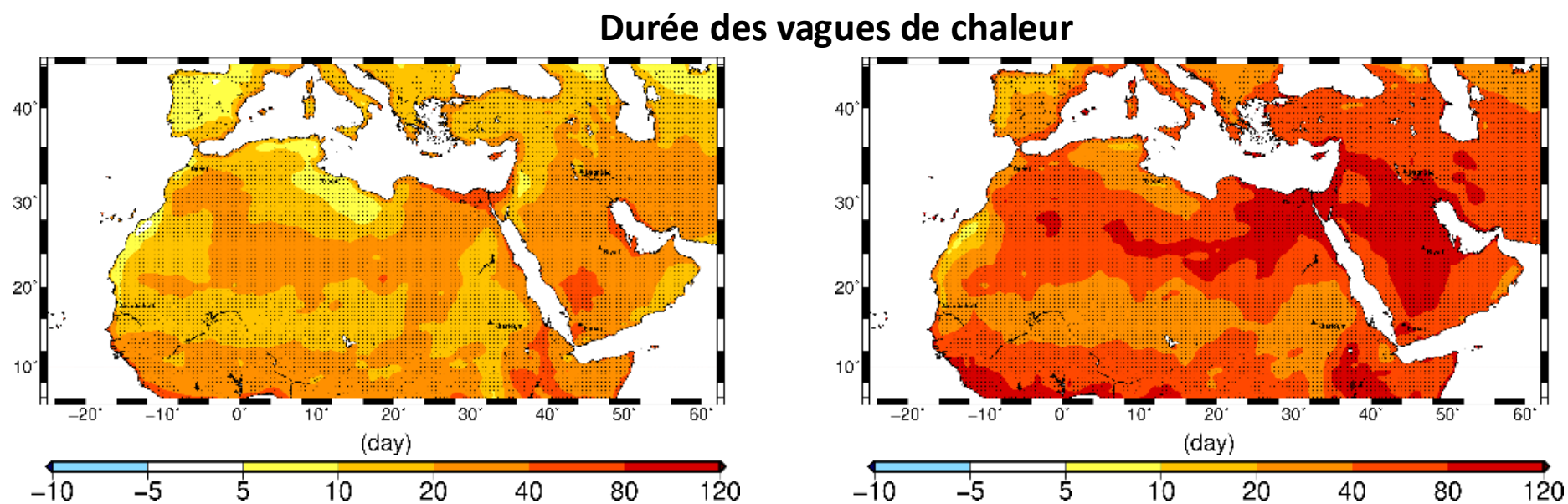
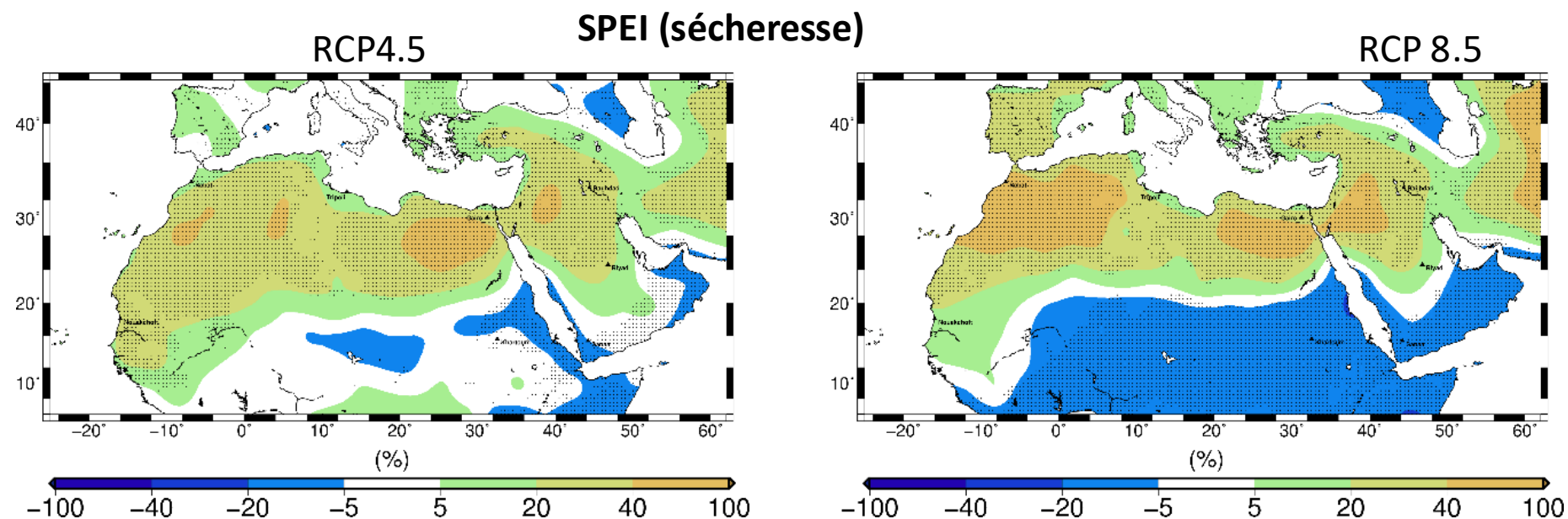
Projected changes in annual maximum temperature (TXx), annual minimum temperature (TNn), annual mean precipitation and annual maximum daily precipitation (RX1day) at 1.5°C, 2°C, and 4°C of global warming (in rows) compared to 1851-1900. Results are based on simulations from the CMIP6 multi-model ensemble mean.



Results expanded  
in the Interactive  
Atlas (active links)

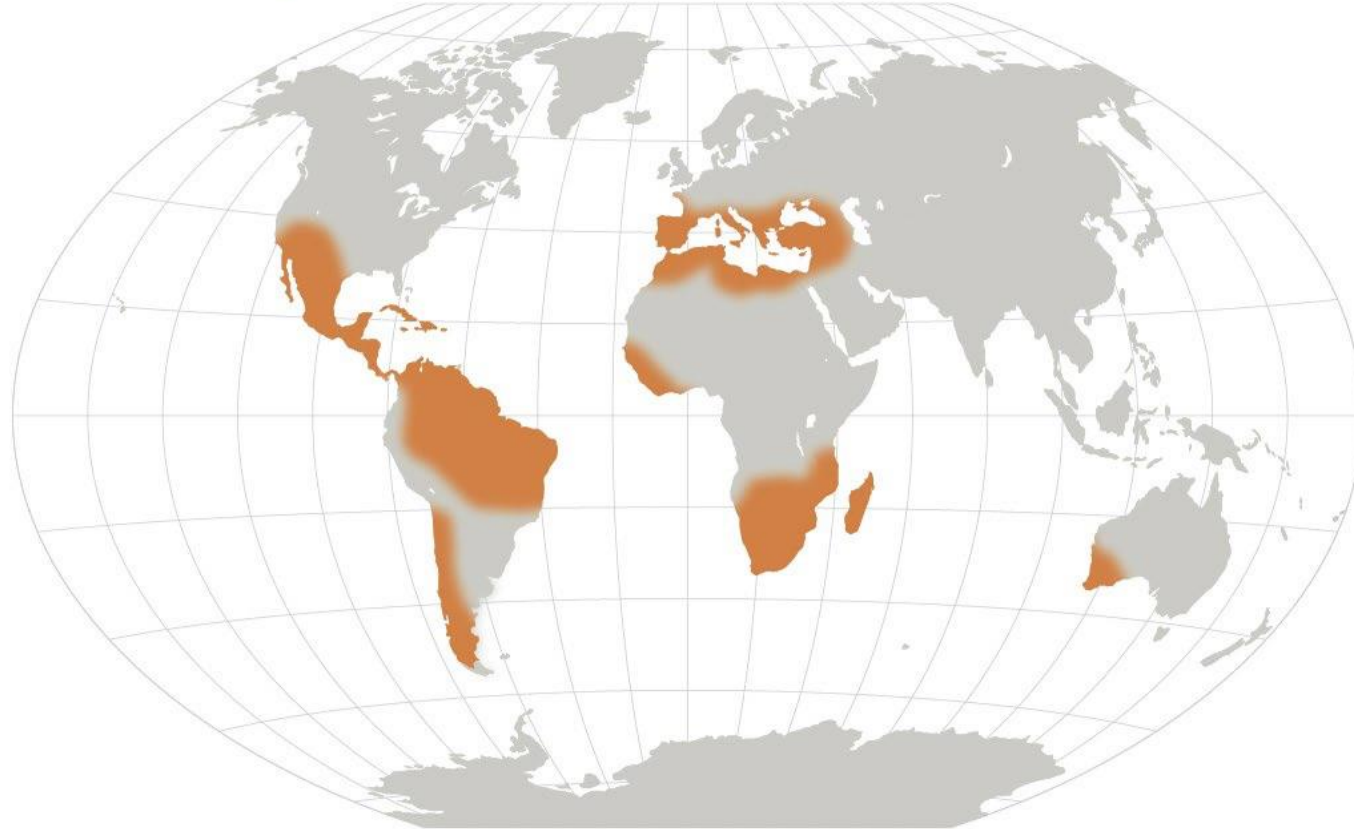
Changements  
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# Future changes: drought and heat

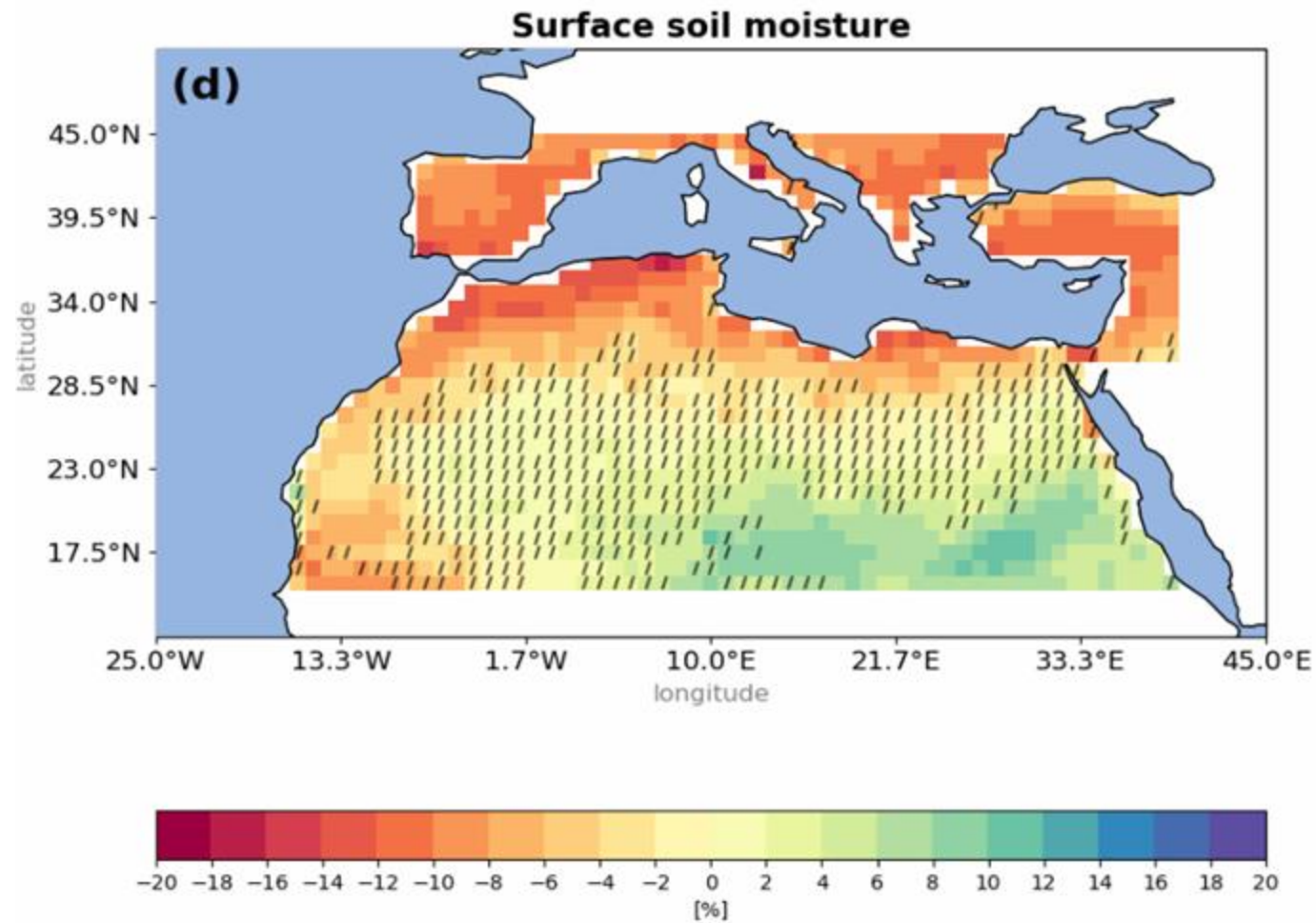


### FAQ8.3: Climate change and droughts

In some regions, **drought** is expected to increase under future warming



**Schematic map highlighting in brown the regions where droughts are expected to become worse as a result of climate change.** This pattern is similar regardless of the emissions scenario; however, the magnitude of change increases under higher emissions.



Arjdal, Driouech et al., 2023

Understanding

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Predictions  
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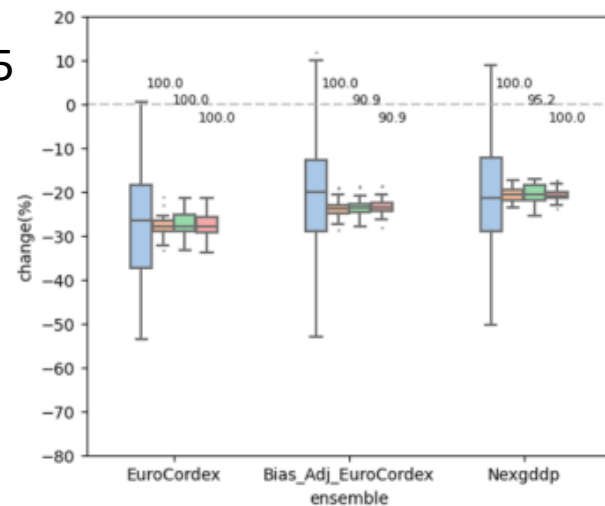
Effet CC  
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## Rainfall amounts

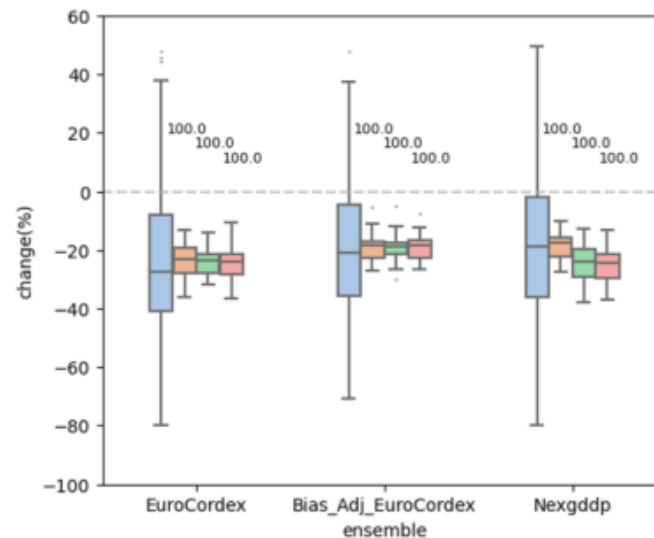
## High precipitation

## Drought

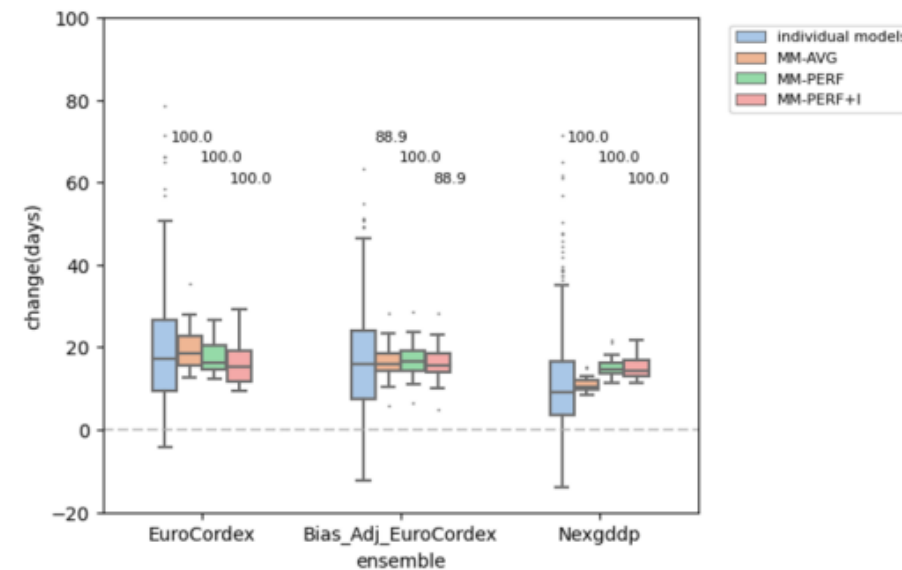
RCP4.5



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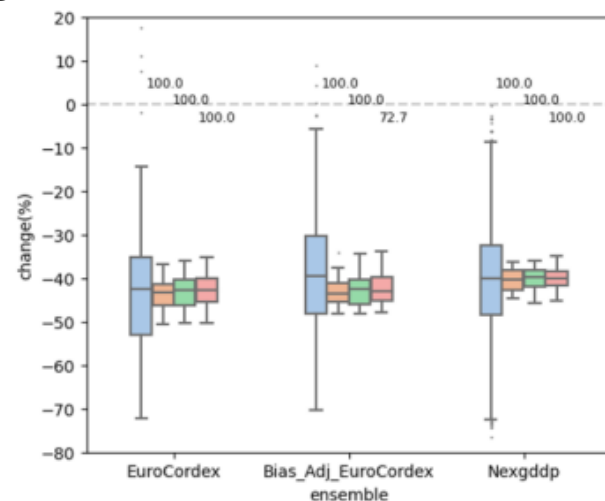


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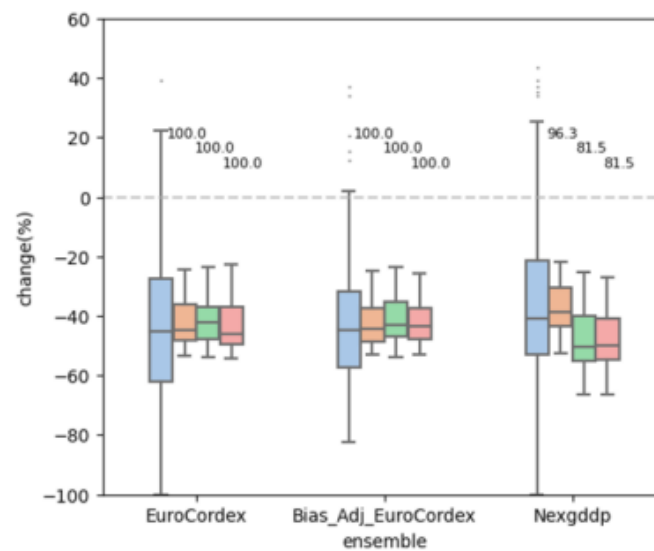


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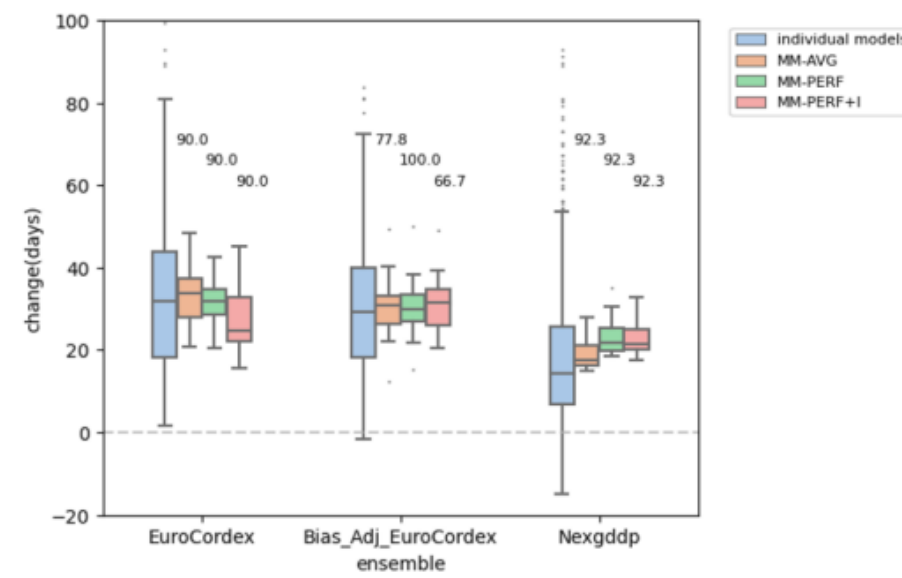
RCP8.5



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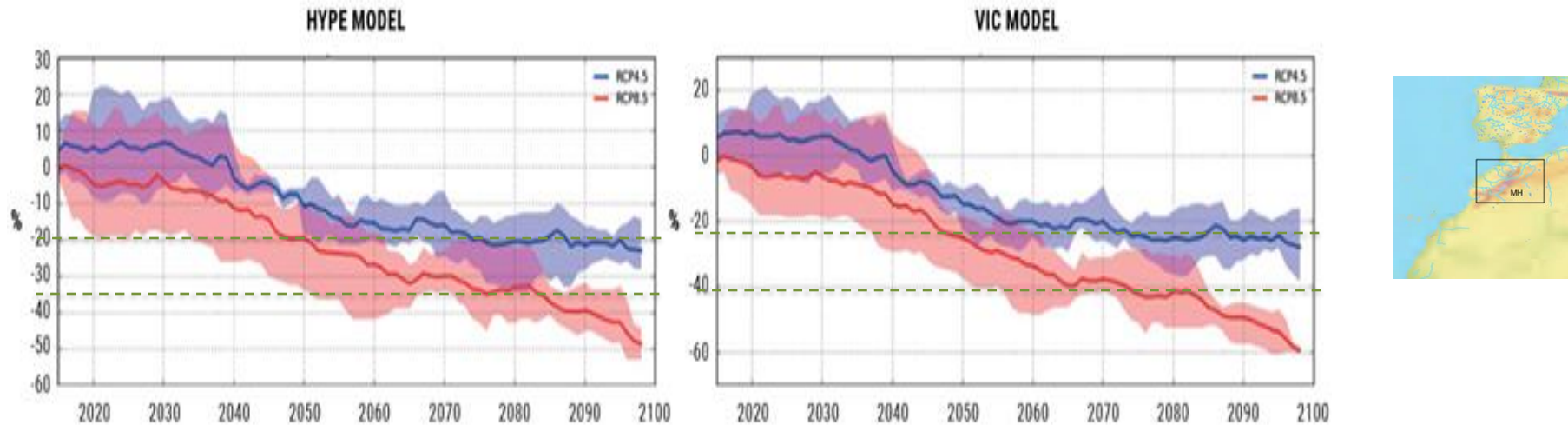


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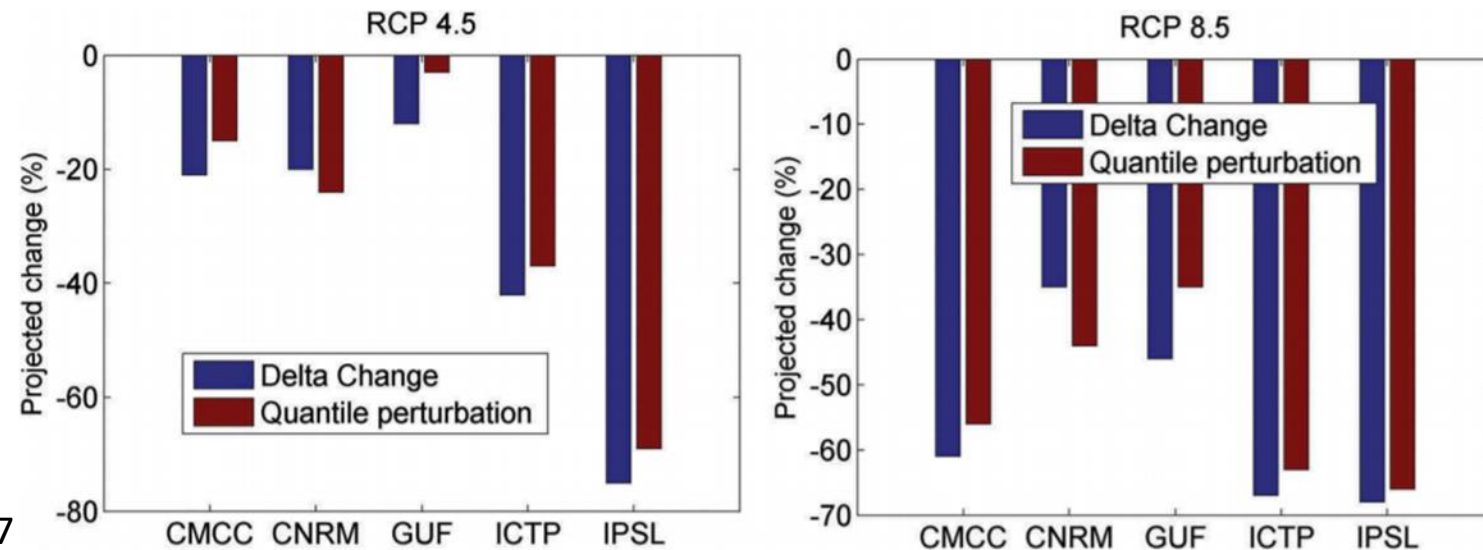


(f)

## ➔ Baisse des débits annuels moyens au niveau des hauts plateaux



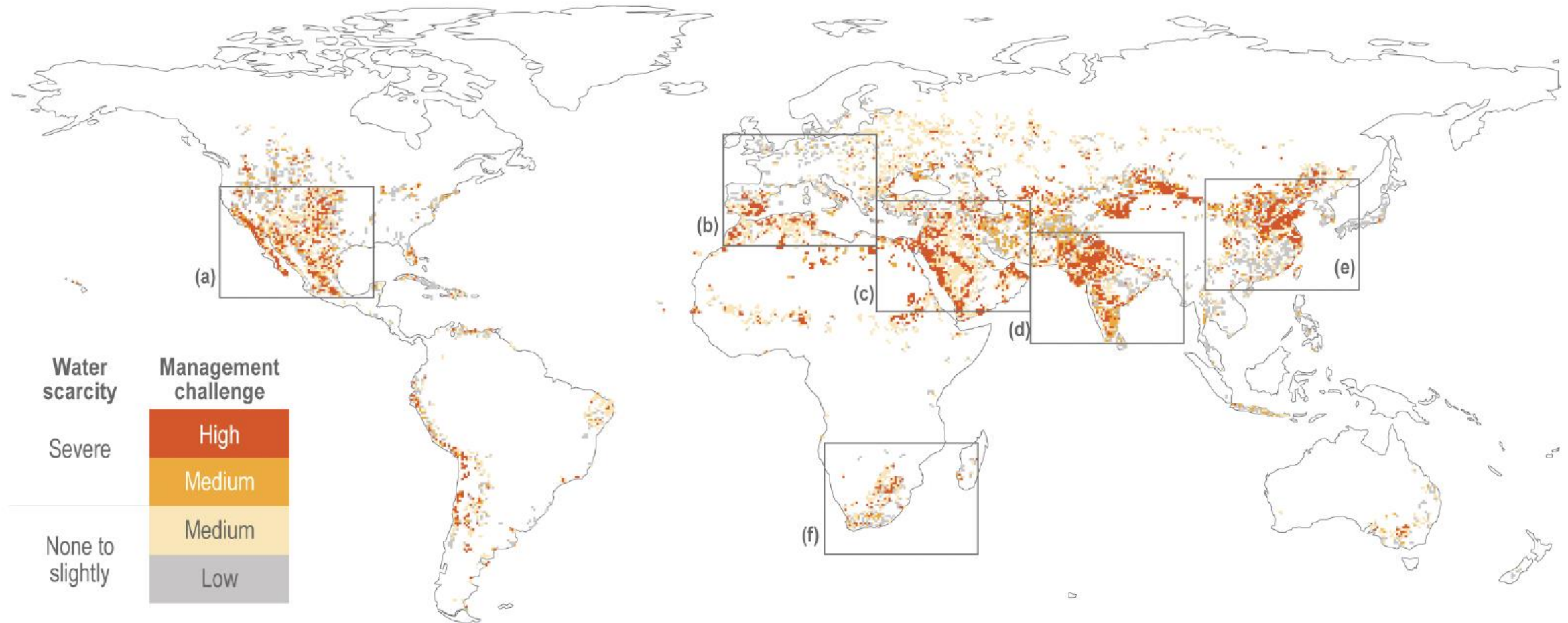
Changement futur de l'écoulement annuel moyen des hauts plateaux marocains (9W 1W 30N 35N) tels qu'issus de deux modèles hydrologiques HYPE (gauche) et VIC (droite) alimentés par différentes simulations climatiques sous les deux scénarios RCP4.5 et RCP8.5. Source : RICCAR (ESCWA et al., 2017)

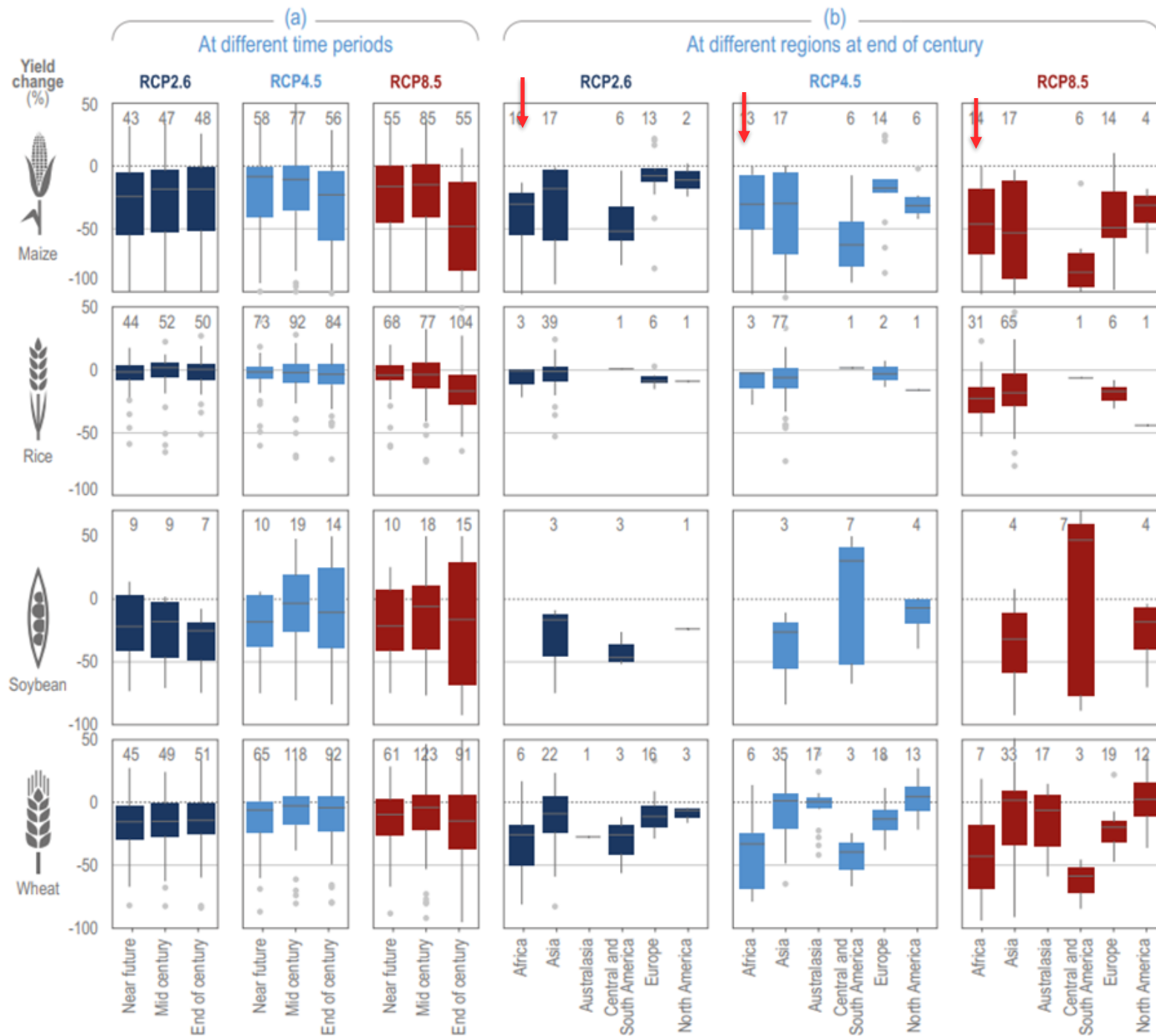


Marchane et al. 2017

Comparison of the projected changes in runoff with delta-change and quantile-perturbation methods.

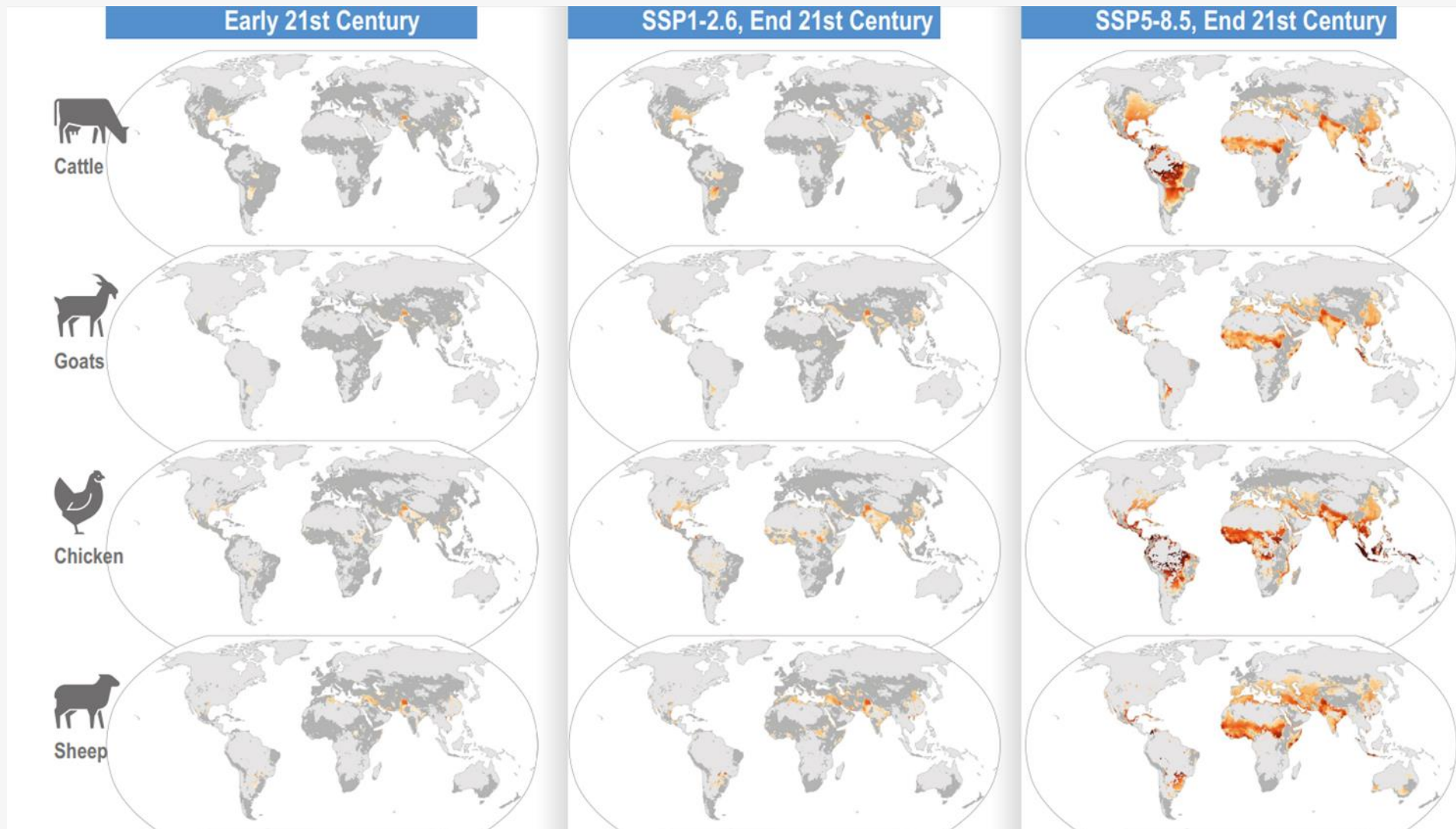
## Par rapport aux situations de pénurie d'eau attendues d'ici 2050, la sécheresse exacerbe les défis en matière de gestion de l'eau, qui dépendent des régions



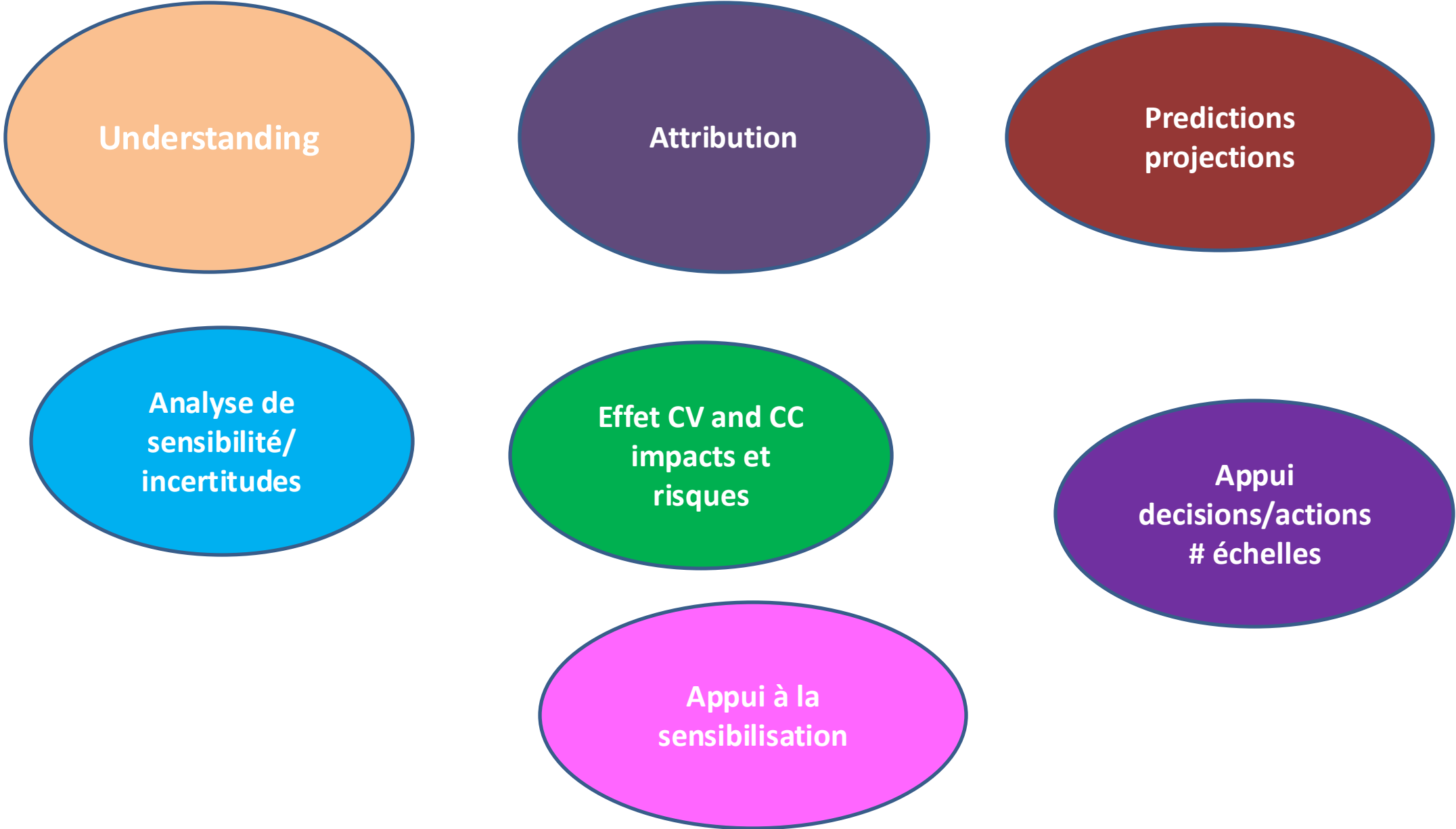


**Projected yield change**  
taking into account  
the CO<sub>2</sub> fertilization  
effect, without  
adaptation

## Stress causé par la température et l'humidité pour le bétail



Changement du nombre de jours par an au-dessus des valeurs de « stress extrême » du début du 21<sup>e</sup> siècle (1991-2010) à la fin du siècle (2081-2100), sous SSP1-2.6 et SSP5-8.5.



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**Analyse de  
sensibilité/  
incertitudes**

**Effet CV and CC  
impacts et  
risques**

**Appui  
decisions/actions  
# échelles**

**Appui à la  
sensibilisation**

The background of the slide is a composite of two aerial photographs of farmland. The left half shows large, geometric fields in various stages of cultivation, with colors ranging from vibrant green to dark brown. The right half shows a more detailed view of a rural landscape with a patchwork of green and golden-brown fields, interspersed with clusters of trees and small farm buildings.

**Thank you for your attention**