

Radiative Transfer for Energetics

Rapid Radiative Transfer Model -  
for GCMs - Parallel

# RTE-RRRTMGPP in CAM implementation status

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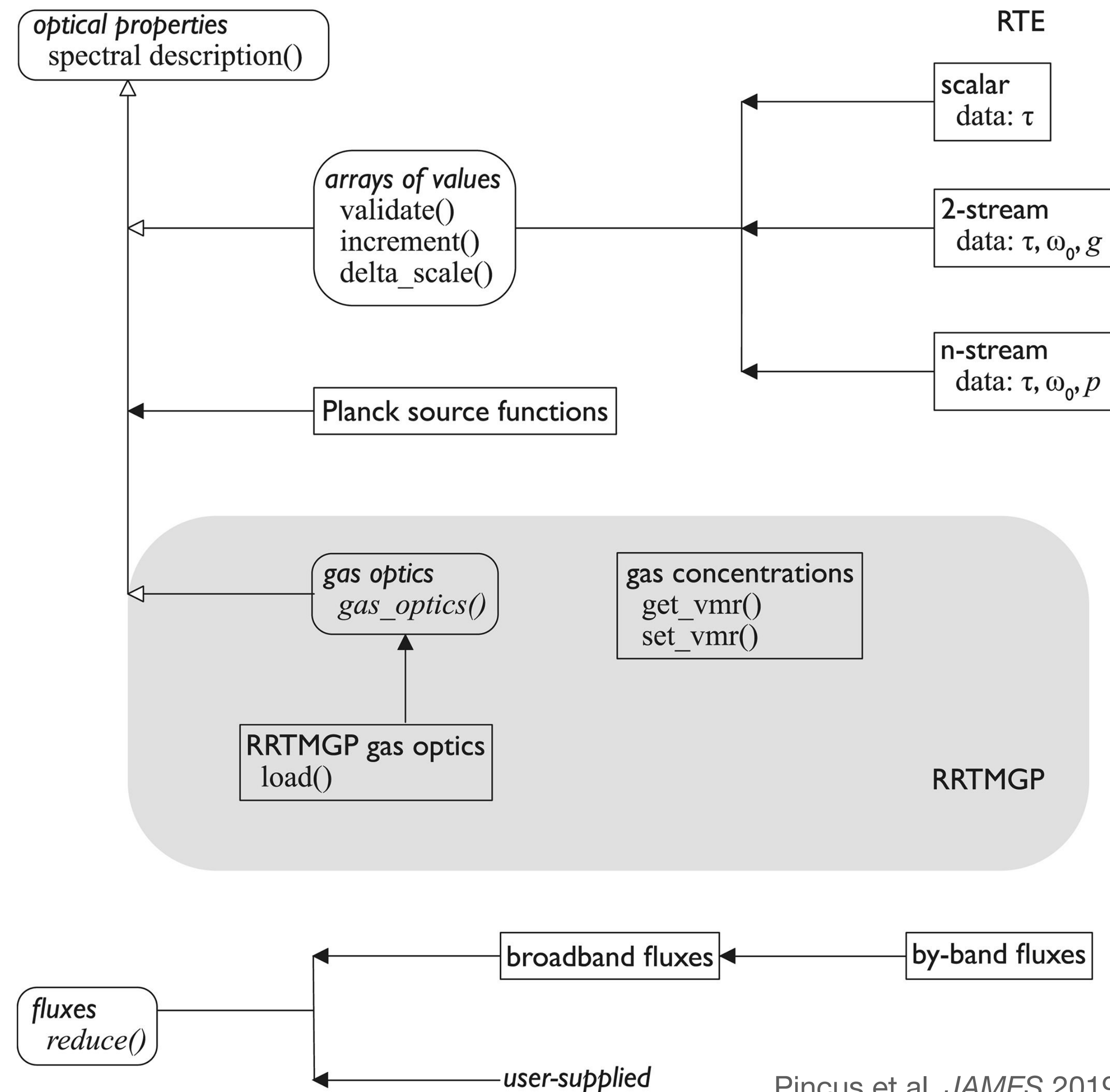
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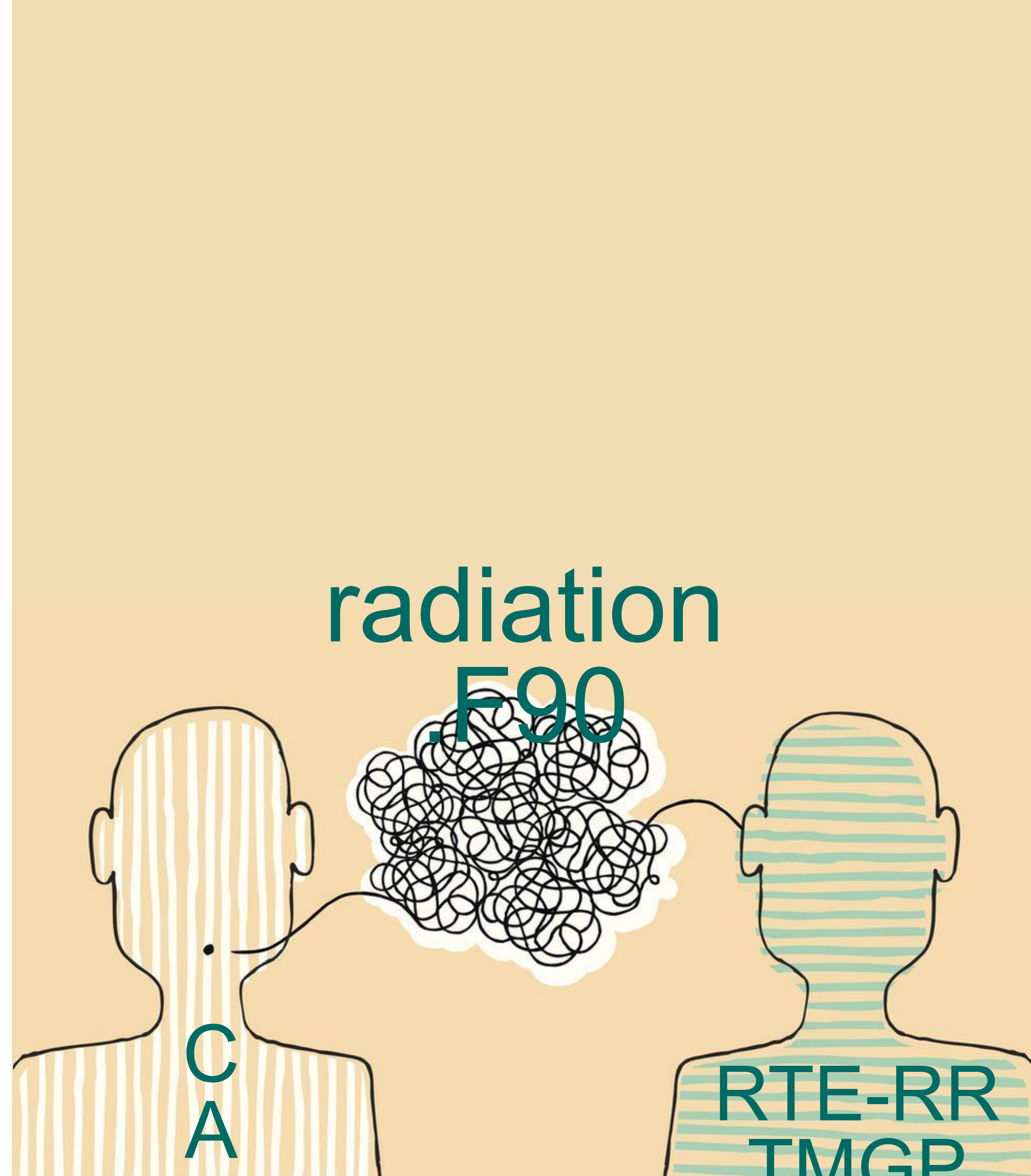
# What & Why of RRTMGp

- Rewrite of RRTMG (Fortran 2003)
  - still a plane-parallel, correlated-k, 2-stream RTM
  - uses classes to control information passing (no reading/writing files)
  - **no assumption of vertical ordering**
  - **updated spectroscopy**
  - Shortwave solver:
 
$$f(\mathbf{K}_{SW}, \text{insolation}(\lambda), \alpha_{\text{direct}}, \alpha_{\text{diffuse}})$$
  - Longwave solver:
 
$$f(\mathbf{K}_{LW}, B(\lambda, \text{lev}), \varepsilon_{\text{sfc}})$$
- Flexibility — extensible, but comes at a slight increase of work on user end
- Future capabilities
  - GPU

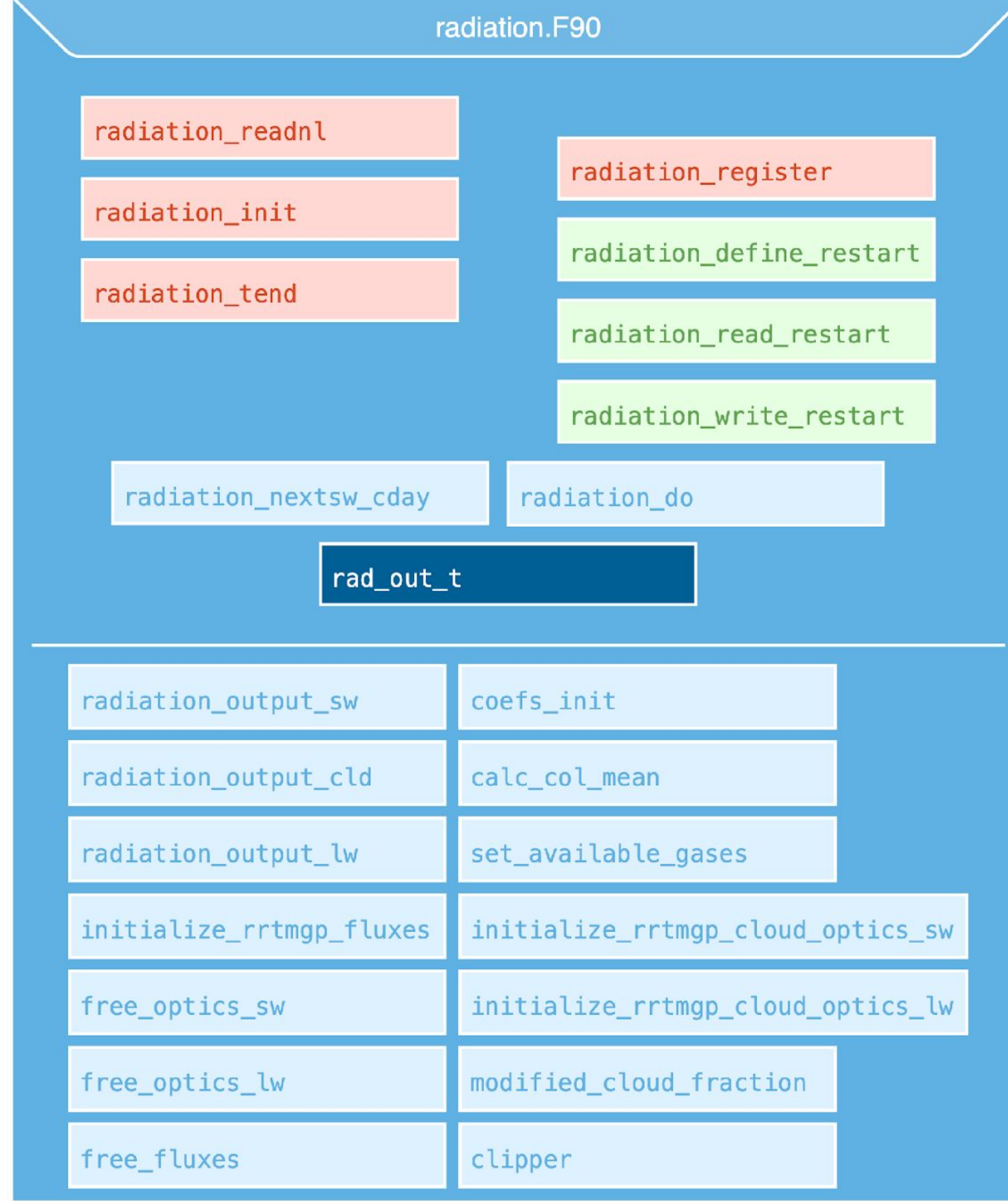


# What's involved

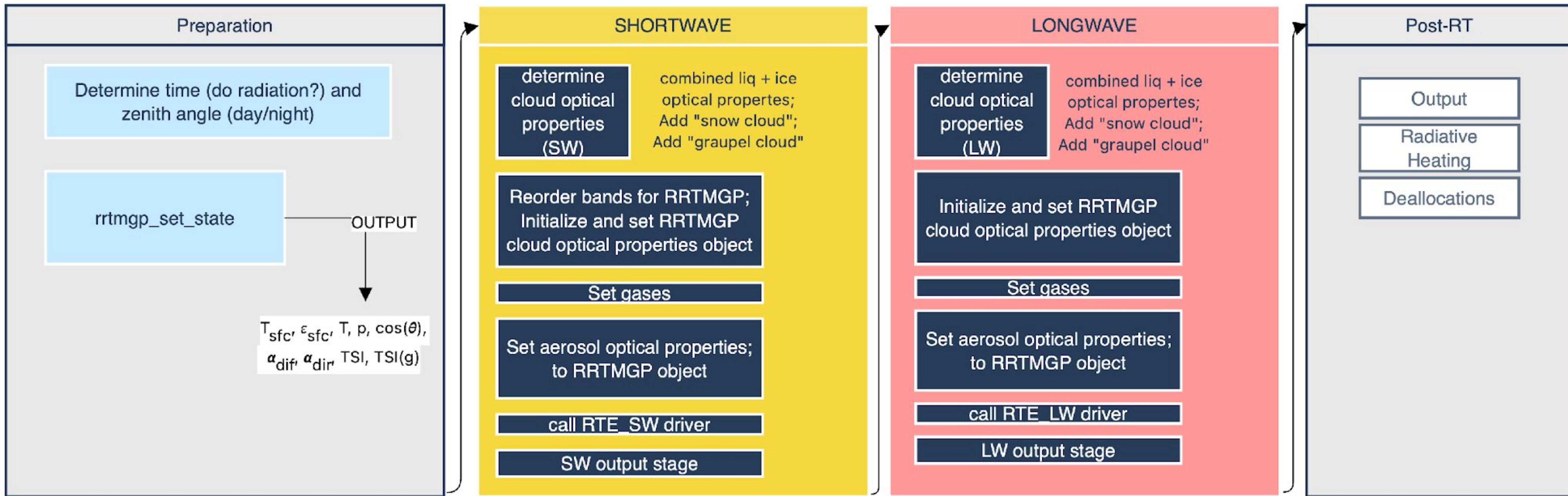
- Bring in RTE-RRTMGP as an external
- new interface between CAM and RTE-RRTMGP based on B. Eaton's old version, close to CAM6 with inspiration from B. Hillman's E3SM version
- Mainly this is **radiation.F90**, but with a bunch of supporting changes:
  - rrtmgp\_inputs.F90 (new, similar to rrtmg\_state.F90)
  - radconstants.F90
  - cloud\_rad\_props.F90
  - rrtmgp\_driver.F90 (new, heavily based on mo\_rrtmgp\_clr\_all\_sky.F90 in "extensions")



# interface structure



# radiation\_tend

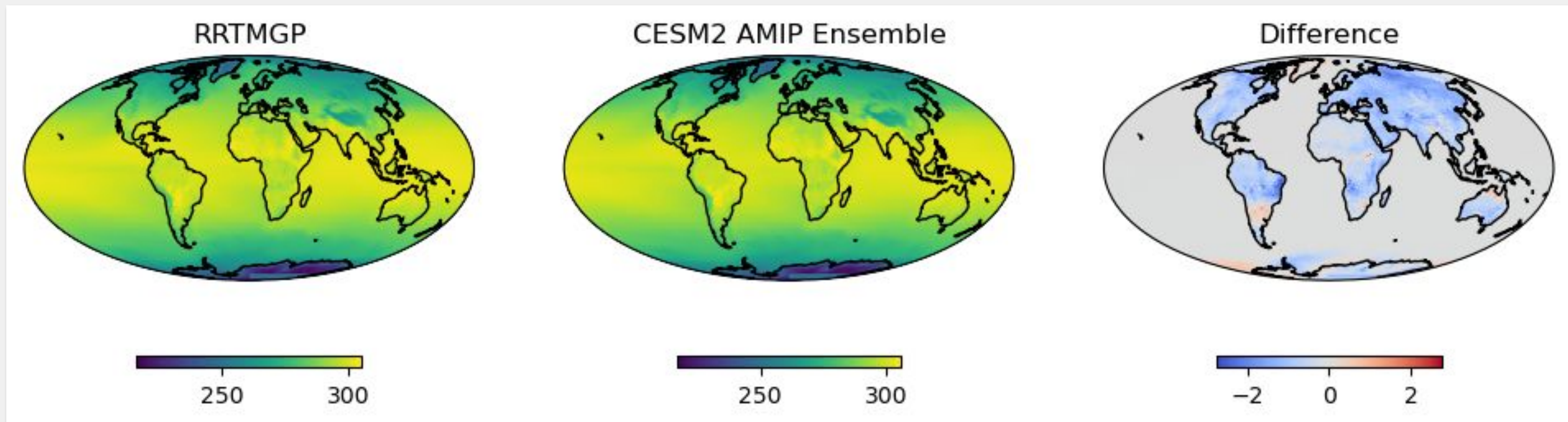
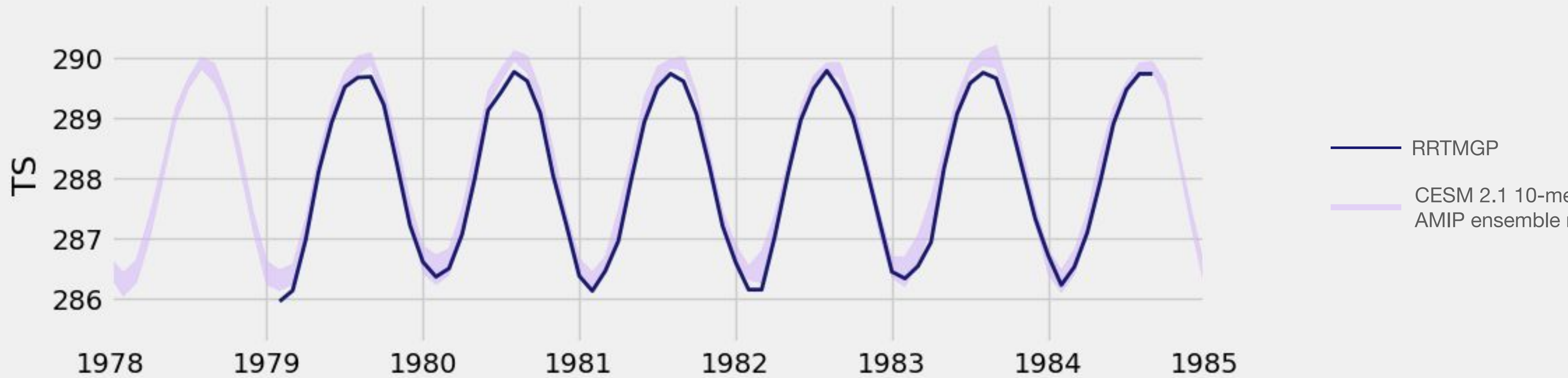


# Where we were

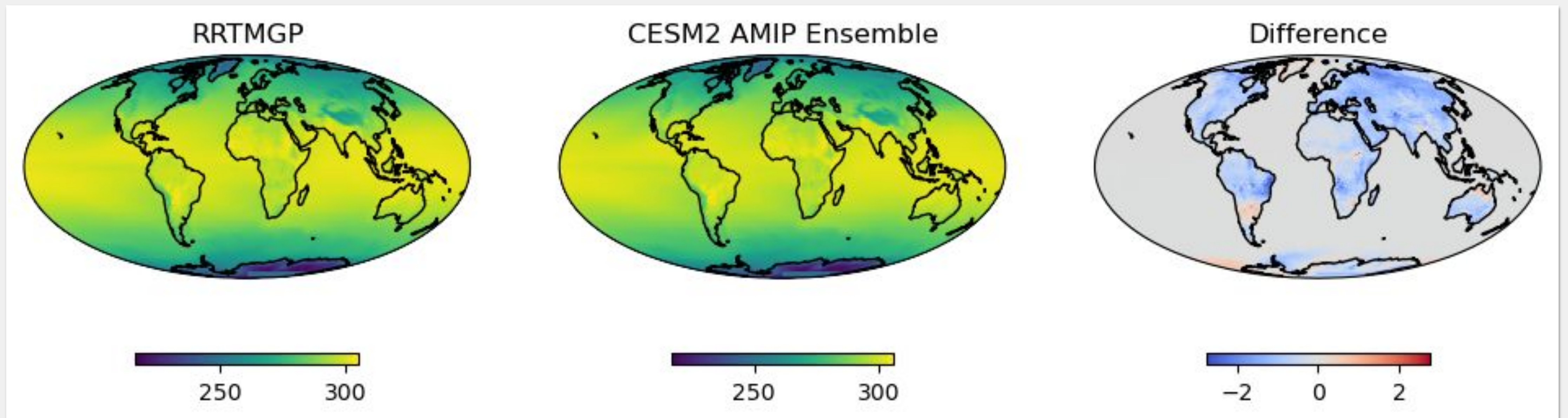
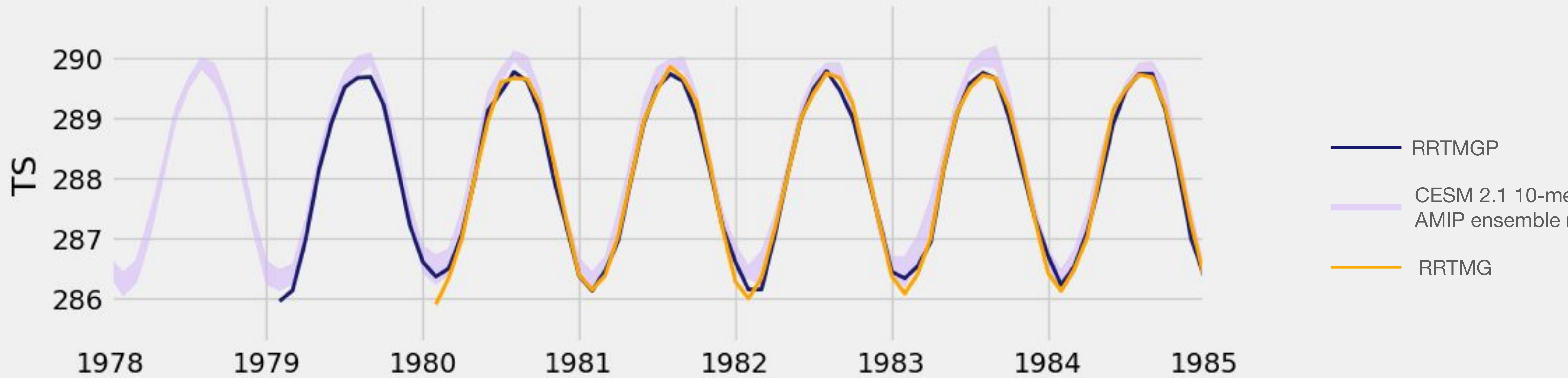
- ▶ Had moved to v1.4
- ▶ SCAM runs were completing, looking reasonable
- ▶ Global runs (FV 1°) were failing, appeared to be a memory issue

# Current status

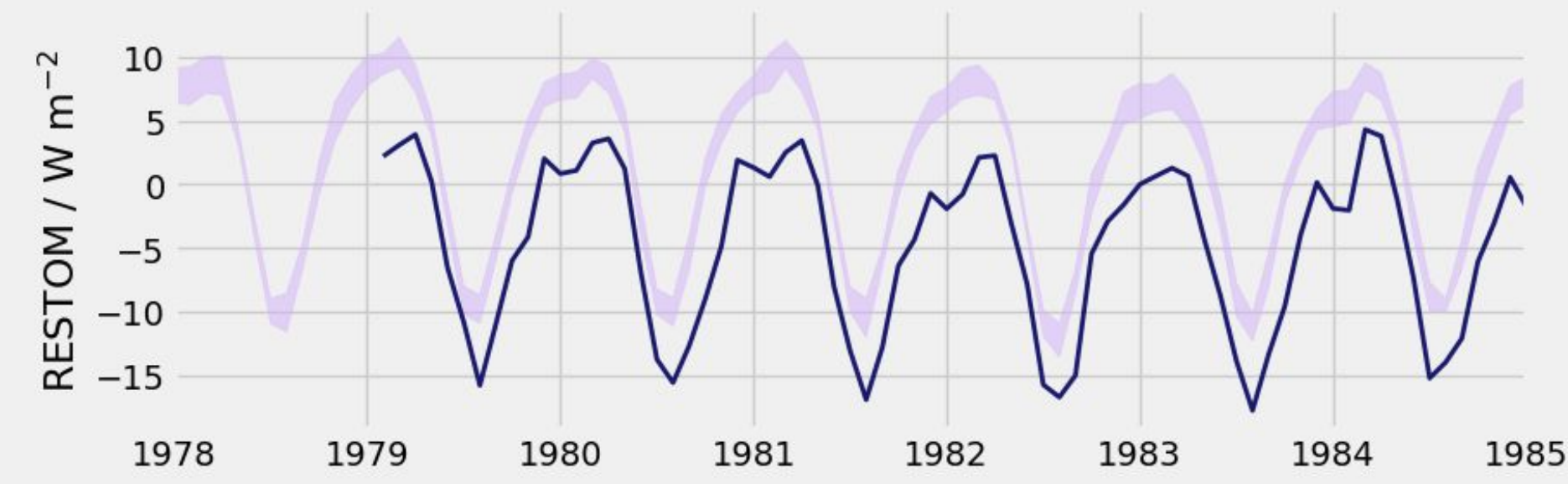
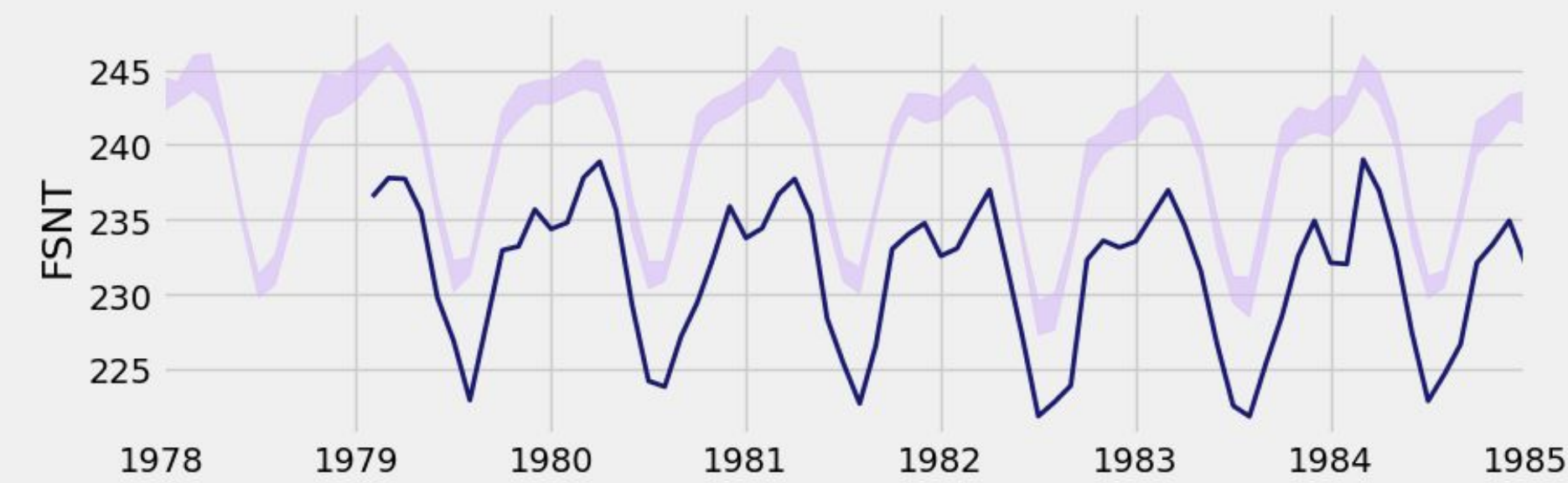
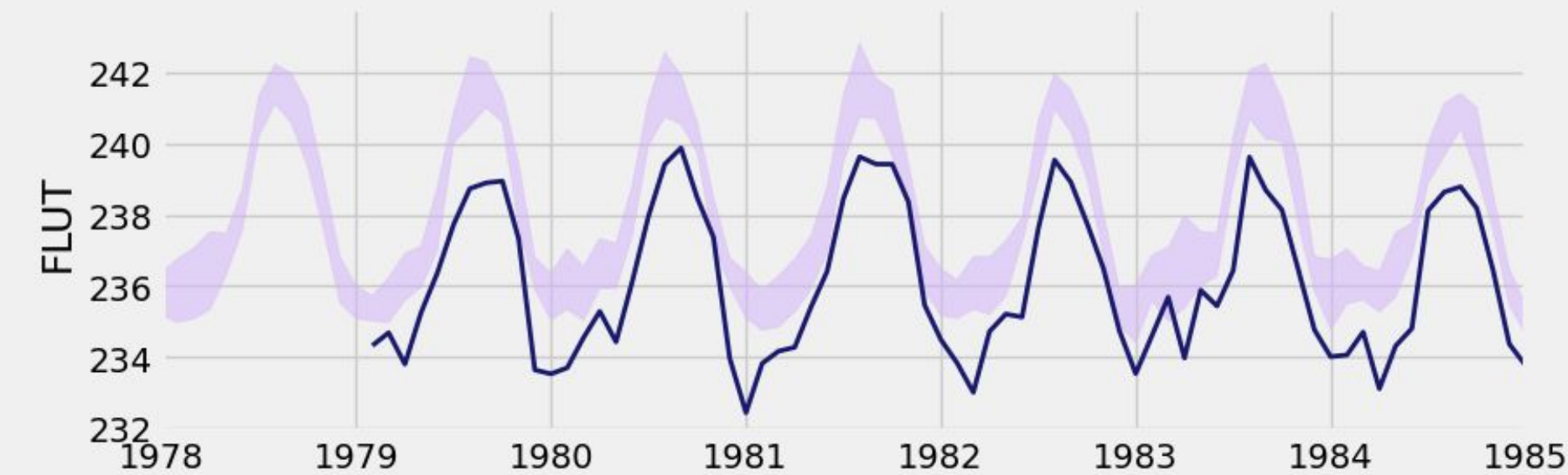
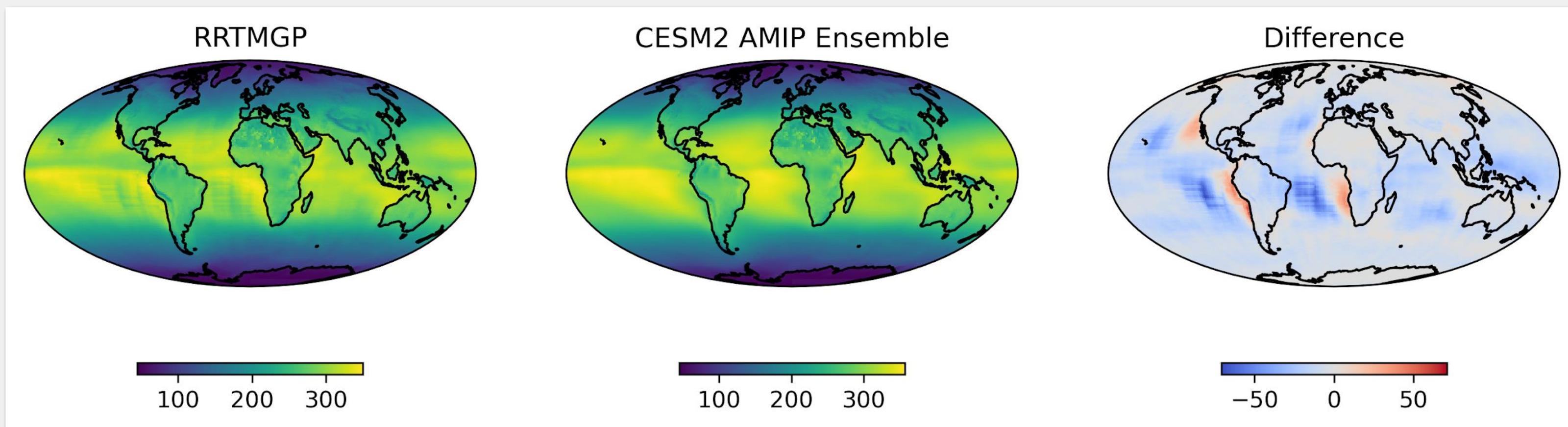
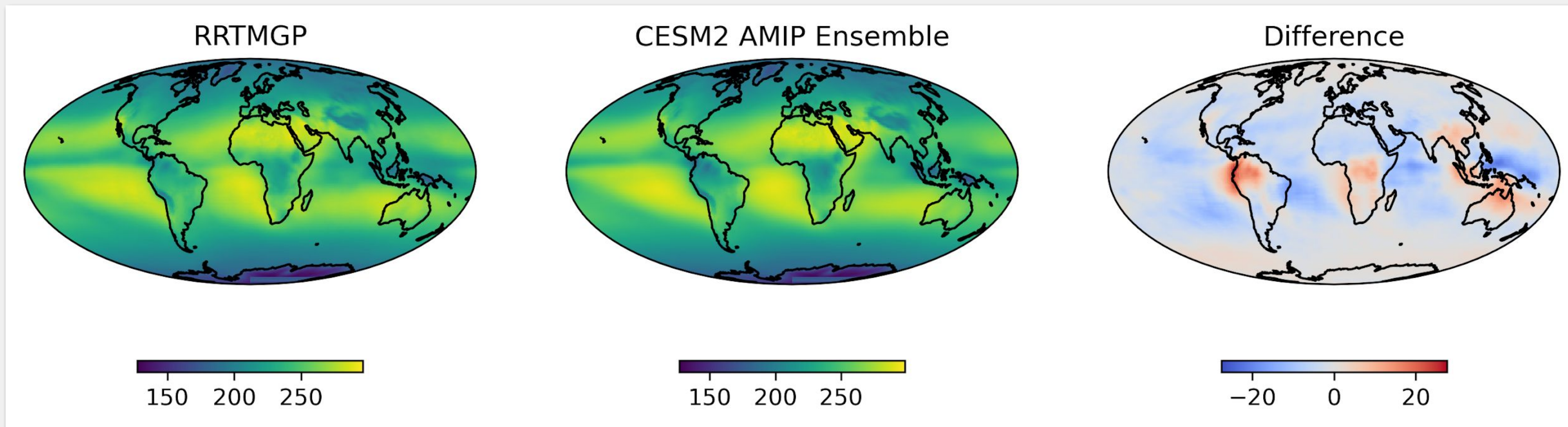
- RTE-RRTMGP v1.5, as “external” (v1.6 just released)
- Merged to very recent CAM tag
- `xmlchange --append CAM_CONFIG_OPTS="-rad rrtmgp"`
- COSP available
- Test simulations
  - SCAM
  - QPC6 (FV & SE, I think)
  - F2000climo (FV 1°)
  - F2000climo (SE ne30)
  - F1850 (FV 2°, by Jiang Zhu)
  - FHIST (5y, FV 1°)
- Validation
  - Differences from CESM2-CAM6-FV (CMIP) simulations are clearly evident
    - Mix of radiation changes AND non-radiation development
  - Jiang Zhu noted SOLIN is less than in RRTMG, and QRL in lowest model level is pretty different





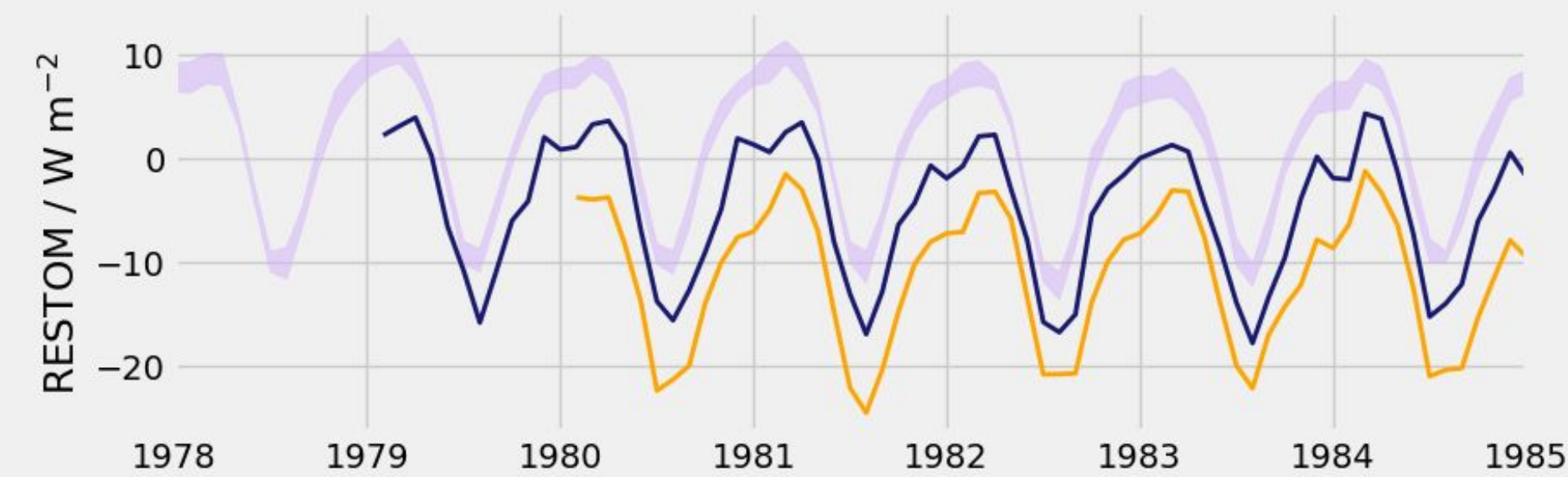
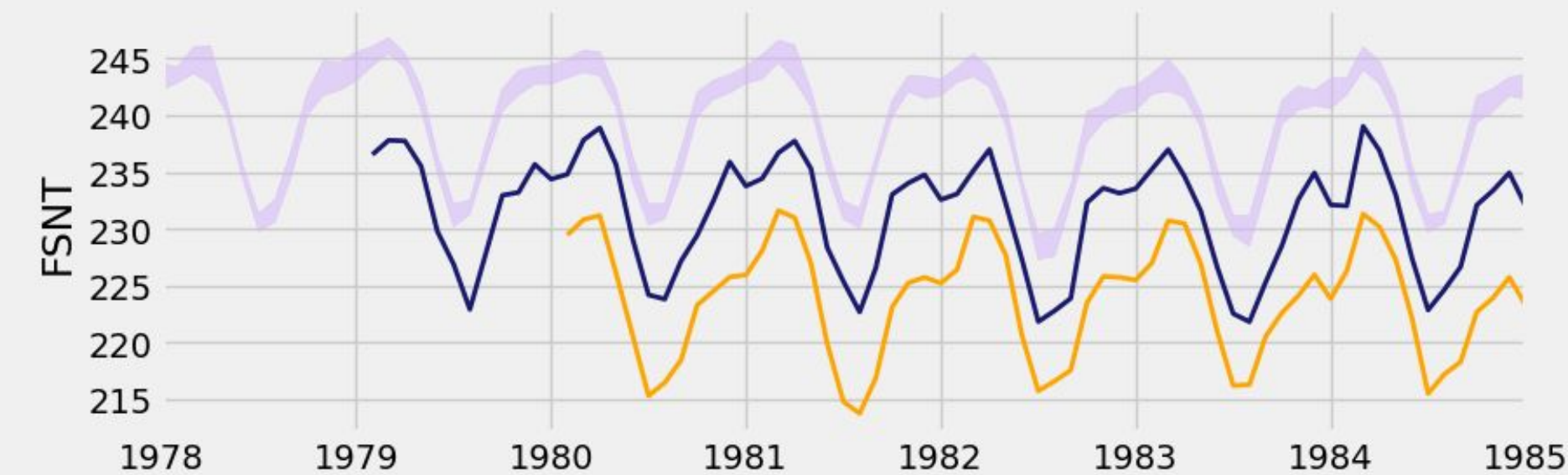
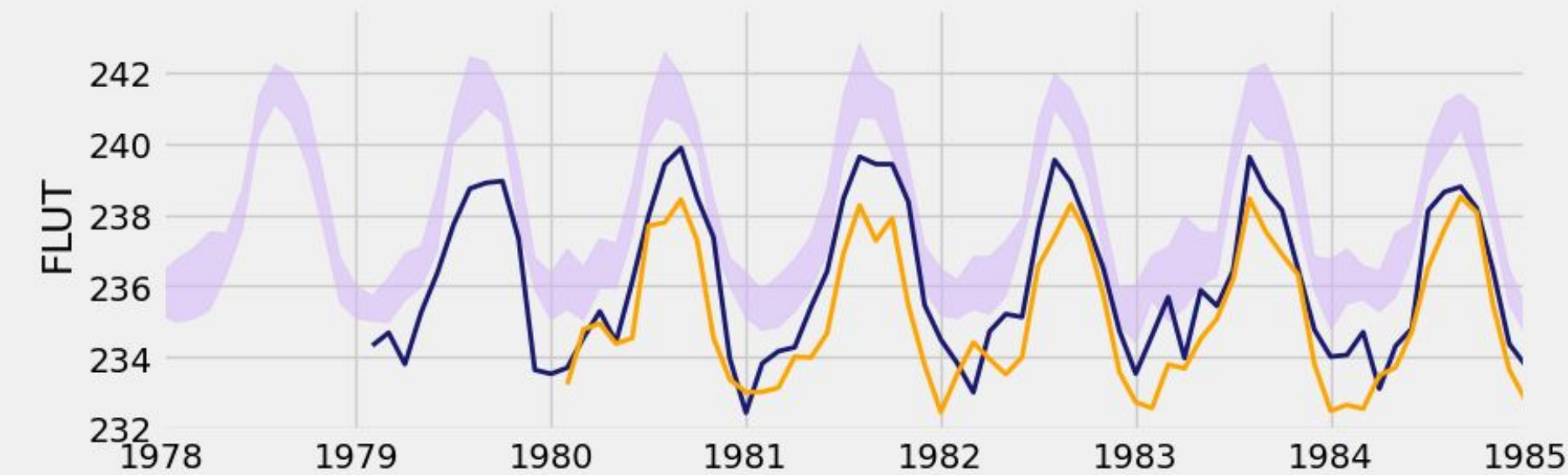
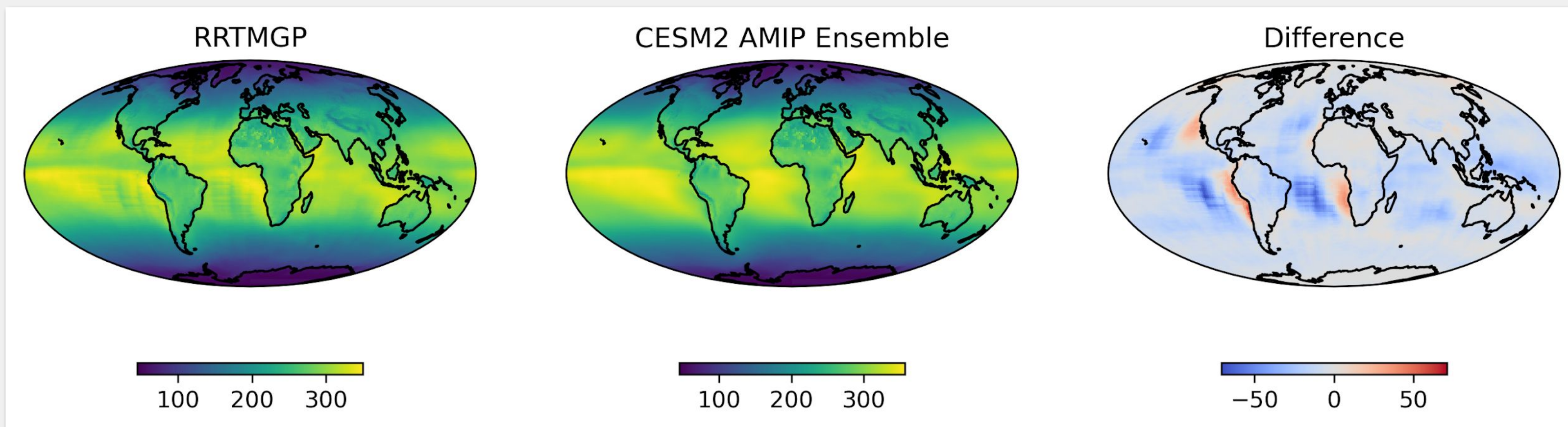
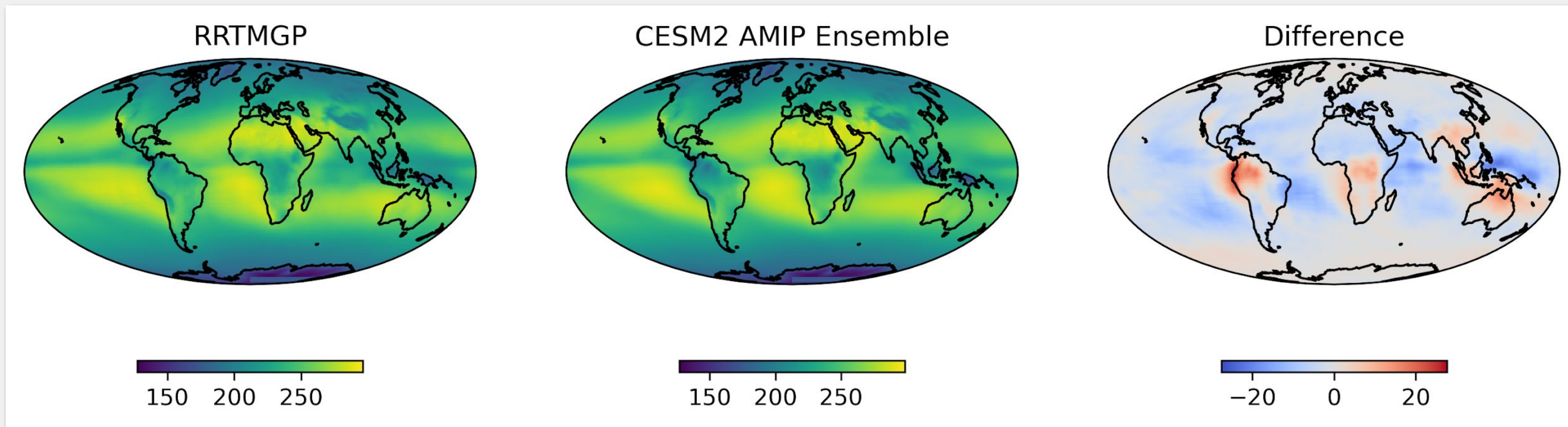


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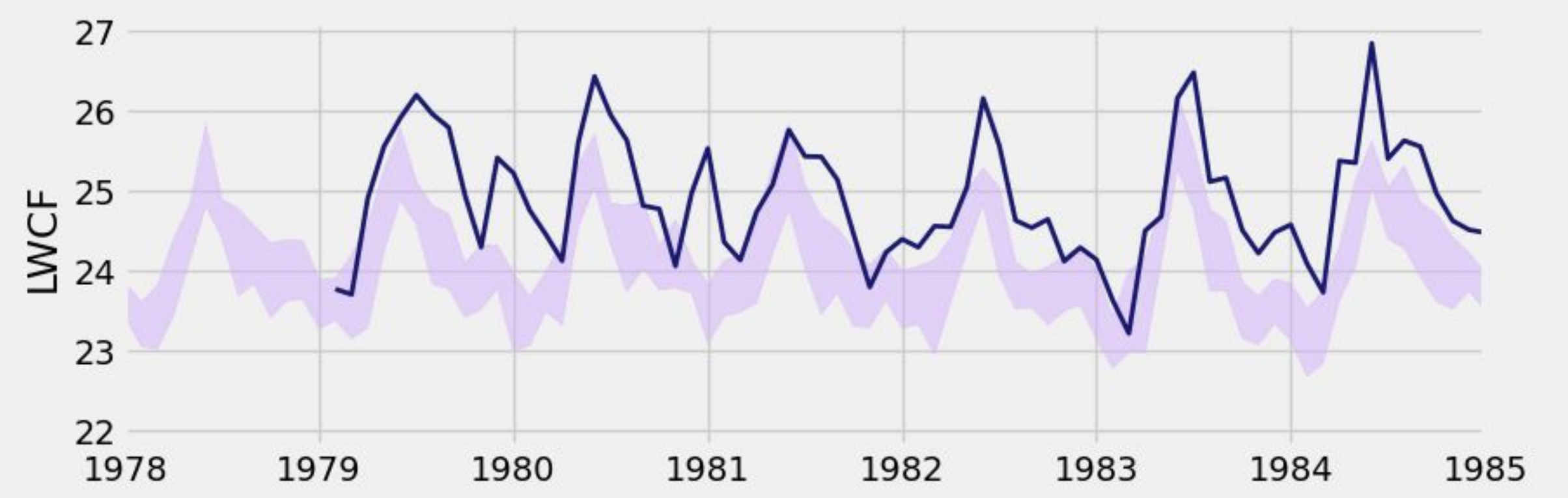
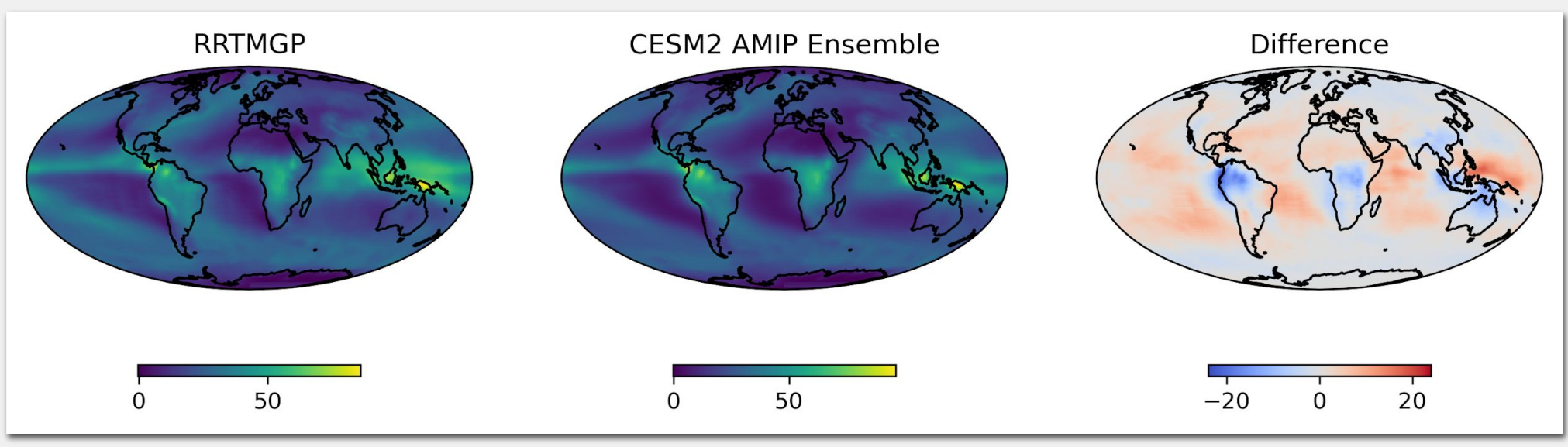
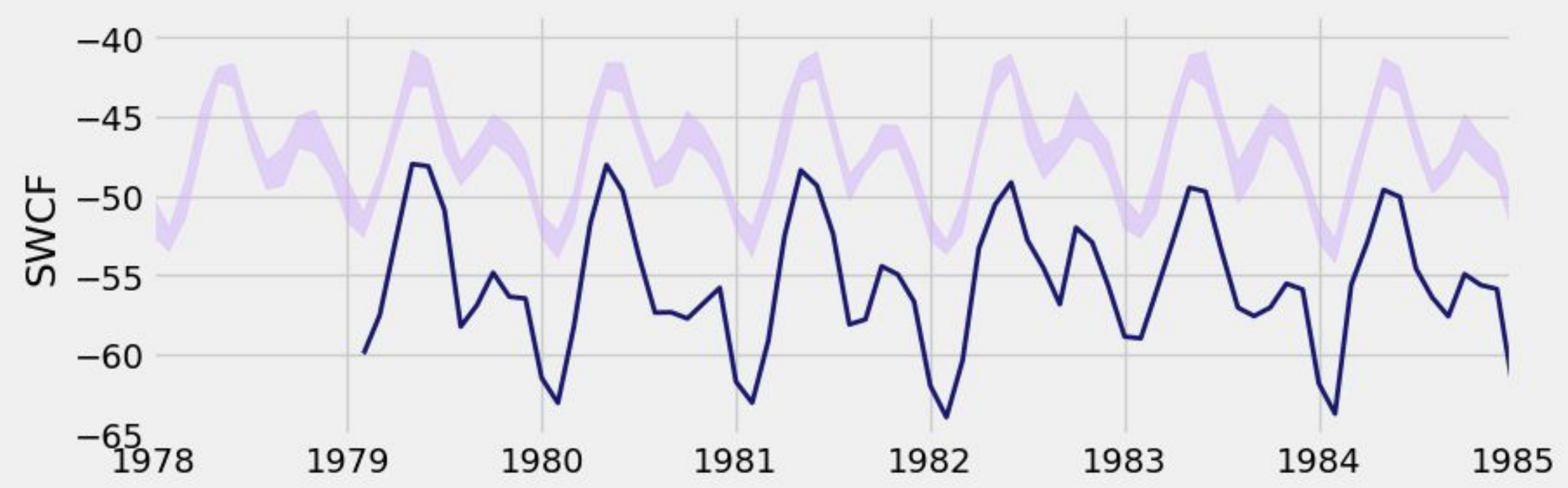
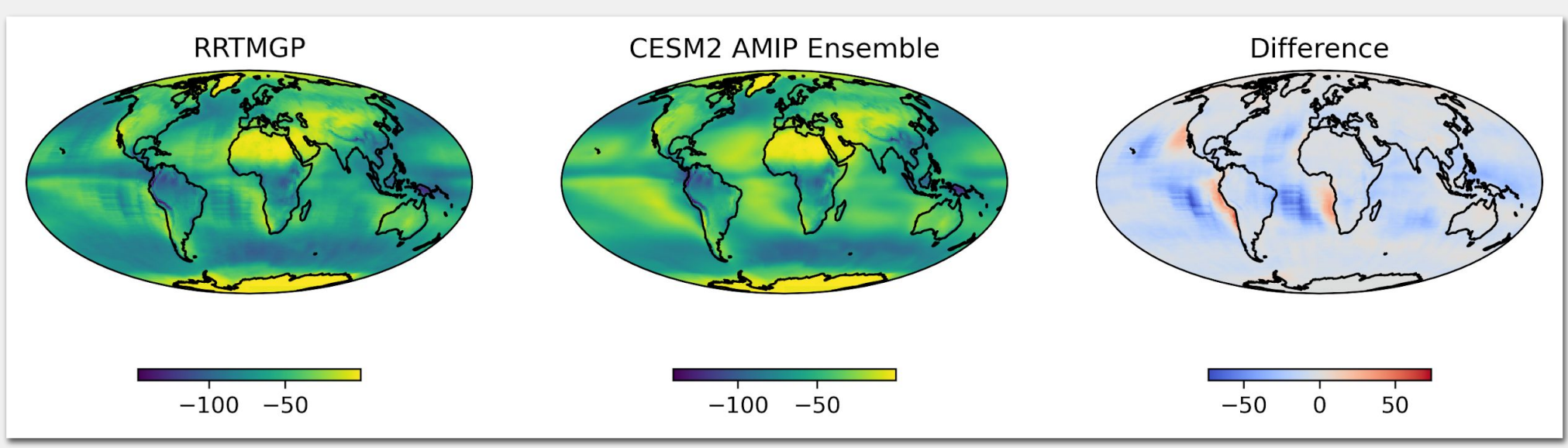
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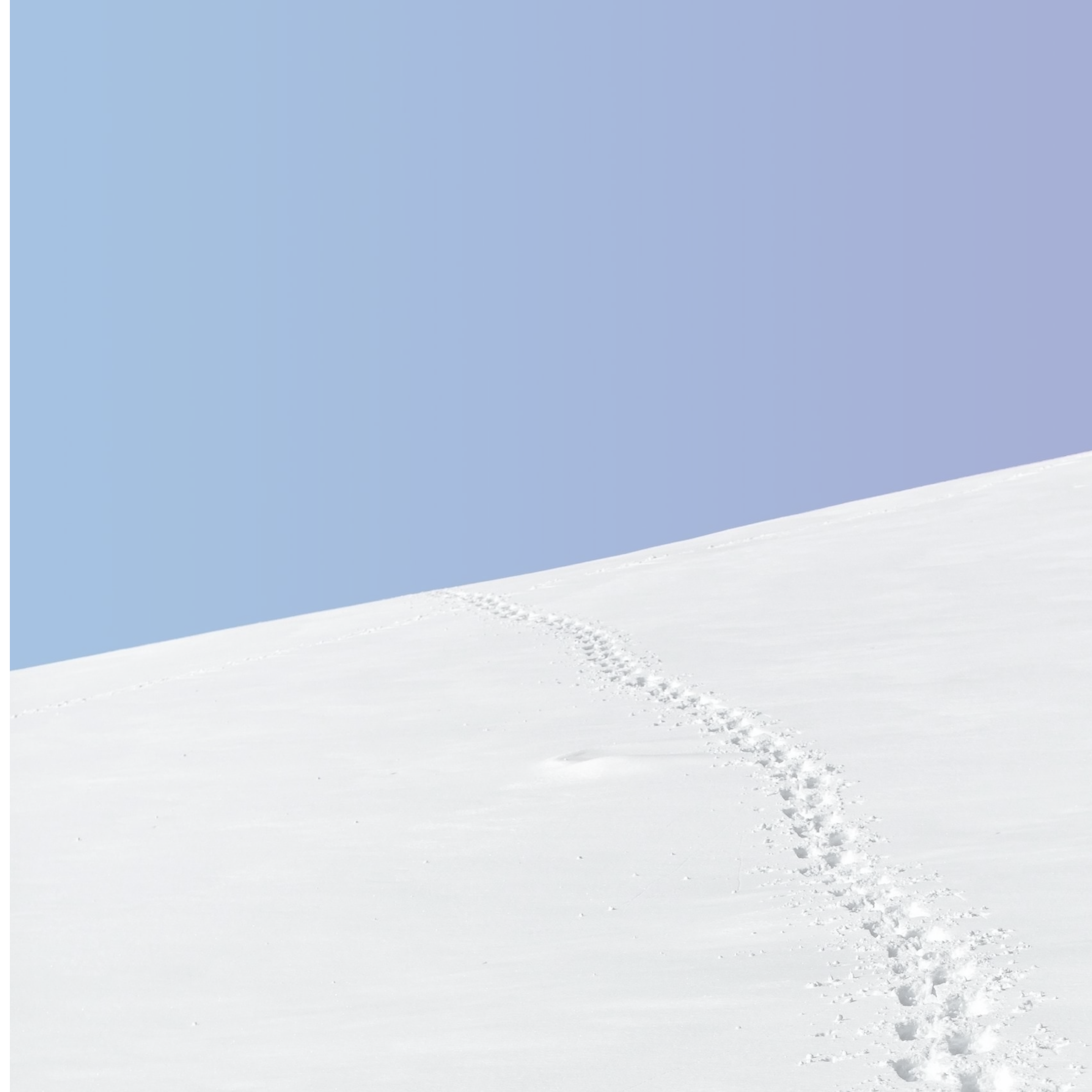
# Next steps

- Get SOLIN to more closely match CAM6
- Diagnose QRL issue (maybe it's better?)
- Work with CAM software engineers to make a PR to get RTE-RRTMGP on to the development branch *as an option*

copy coefficients files to CESM inputdata directory structure

introduce "compset" for regression testing

interface code review



# Longer term

(help needed!)

- moving to **CCPP** version of RTE-RRTMGP (SIMA)
  - deconstruction of the new interface
    - optical properties will need to be packaged better
    - Liquid & Ice optical properties are based on lookup tables that are defined on RRTMG bands 😞
- utilizing **GPU** acceleration (EarthWorks)
- Switch to RTE-RRTMGP *as default* (and possibly only) radiation scheme
- There may be an opportunity to revisit the solar forcing to make it independent from the rest of the model
- The radconstants module still hard-codes some information, and ***should be eliminated***

```

call get_ref_solar_band_irrad(solar_band_irrad)
call get_variability(sfac)
solar_band_irrad = solar_band_irrad(rrtmg_to_rrtmgp_swbands)
tsi = sum(solar_band_irrad(:))
tsi_scaling_gpt = 0.0
do iband = 1, nswbands
  tsi_scaling_gpt(band2gpt_sw(1,iband):band2gpt_sw(2,iband)) = sfac(iband)
end do

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### radconstants

```

! Solar irradiance at 1 A.U. in W/m^2 assumed by radiation code
! Rescaled so that sum is precisely 1368.22 and fractional amounts sum to 1.0
real(r8), parameter :: solar_ref_band_irradiance(nswbands) = &
(/
  &
  12.11_r8, 20.36000000000001_r8, 23.73_r8, &
  22.43_r8, 55.63_r8, 102.93_r8, 24.29_r8, &
  345.74_r8, 218.19_r8, 347.20_r8, &
  129.49_r8, 50.15_r8, 3.08_r8, 12.89_r8 &
/)

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### rad\_solar\_var

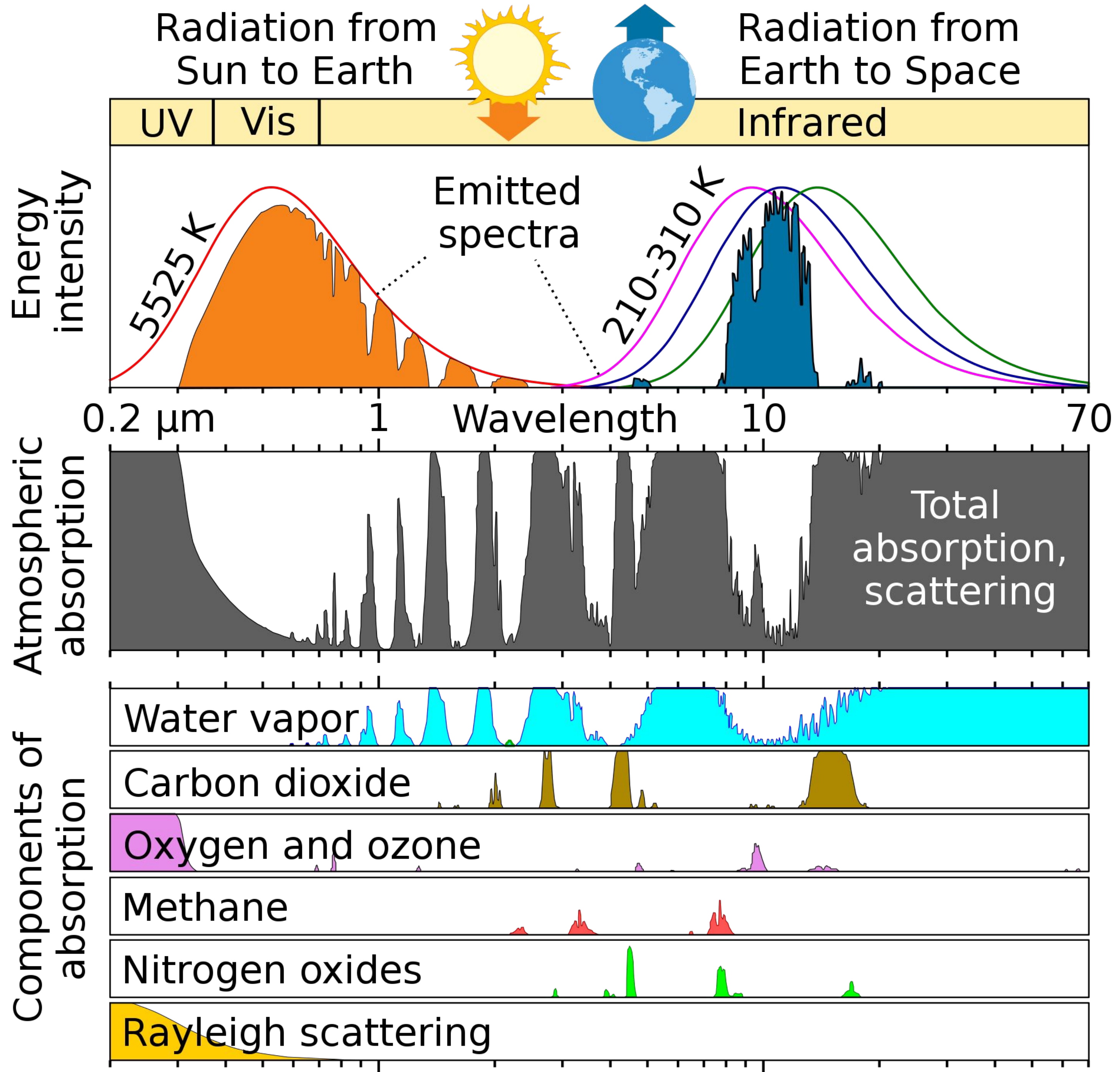
```

if ( do_spctrl_scaling ) then
  call integrate_spectrum( nbins, nradbins, we, radbinmin, radbinmax, sol_irrad, irrads)
  sfac(:nradbins) = irrads(:nradbins)/ref_band_irrad(:nradbins)
else
  sfac(:nradbins) = sol_tsi/tsi_ref
endif

```

\$CAM/src/chemistry/utils/solar\_irrad\_data  
 sol\_tsi is module data  
 Initialized by call to solar\_irrad\_init from radiation\_init  
 that (basically) calls get\_ref\_total\_solar\_irrad in radconstants, and that is only  
 tsi = sum(solar\_ref\_band\_irradiance)  
 where solar\_ref\_band\_irradiance





<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Atm>