

1 **Detection and Explanation of Spatiotemporal Patterns in Late Cenozoic Palaeoclimate**
2 **Change Relevant to Earth Surface Processes**

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16 **Supplemental Material**

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30 Results for South Alaska

31 *Large scale patterns and modes of climate change*

32 The geographical subdivisions of South Alaska in the LGM and PLIO (Fig. S10 b,c) results are more stable
33 than clusters calculated for the MH. LGM-C₁ and LGM-C₂ experience a strong decrease in 2m air temperature,
34 air temperature amplitude and freeze-thaw days, as well as increases in consecutive freezing days and
35 meridional wind speeds (Fig. S10 e). LGM-C₄ is the only cluster not covered with ice during the LGM, and
36 characterised by increases in consecutive dry days and 2m air temperature amplitude, and decreases in
37 consecutive wet days, maximum precipitation and zonal wind speeds (Fig. S10 e). The geographically
38 dominant modes of changes in the PLIO are PLIO-C₃ and PLIO-C₄. The former is has a more continental
39 setting and is characterised by increases in consecutive wet days, maximum precipitation, 2m air temperature,
40 while the latter is a mode of change observed in greater coastal proximity and characterised by moderate
41 increases in 2m air temperature and zonal wind speeds only (Fig. S10 f).

42 *Discriminability*

43 Clusters in the LGM and PLIO are associated with higher discrimination scores than the MH. LGM-C₂ and
44 LGM-C₃ have the highest discriminability cause primarily by changes in meridional winds (30%-40%) and
45 maximum precipitation (40%-50%) and consecutive freezing days (10%-20%) respectively (Fig. S10 e).
46 PLIO-C₁ and PLIO-C₂ show highest discriminability in the PLIO, which is contributed to most by 2m air
47 temperature amplitude (Fig. S10 f).

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58 Figures and Tables

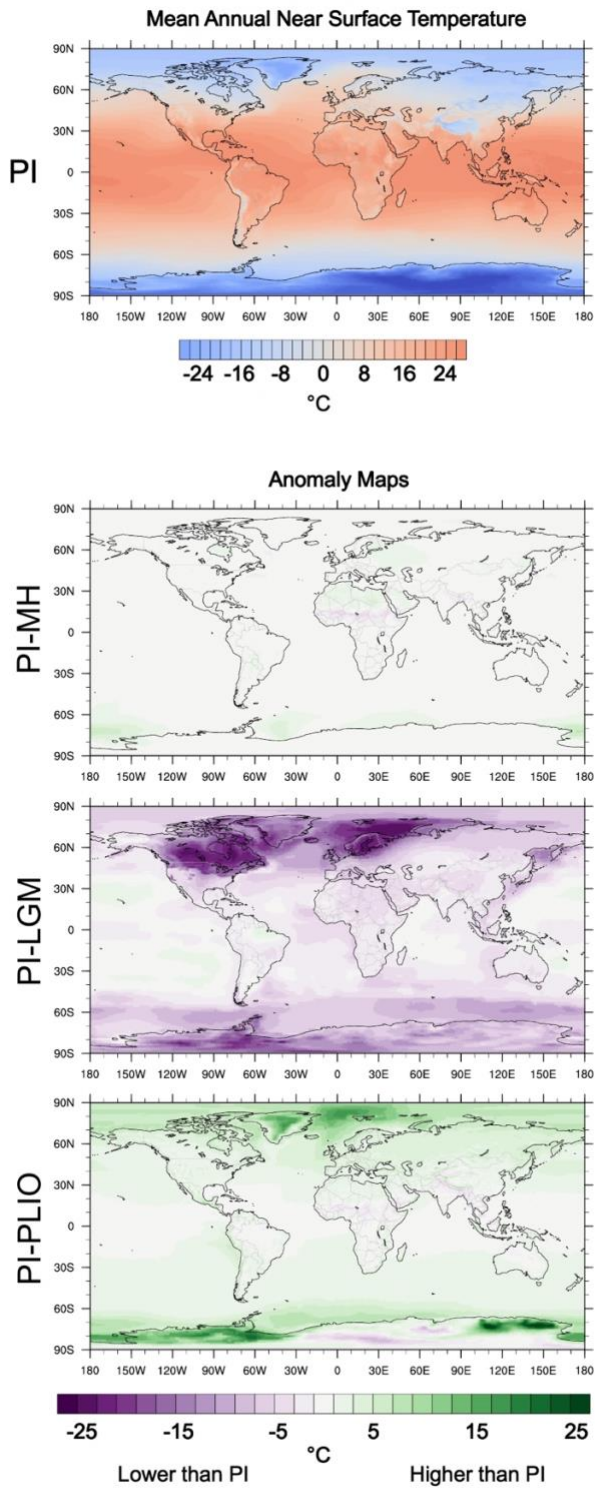


Fig. S01

60S01: Pre-industrial (PI) mean annual near surface temperature, and differences in mean annual near surface
61 temperature values between PI and Mid-Holocene (PI-MH), PI and Last Glacial Maximum (PI-LGM), and PI
62 and Late Pliocene (PI-PLIO) climates.

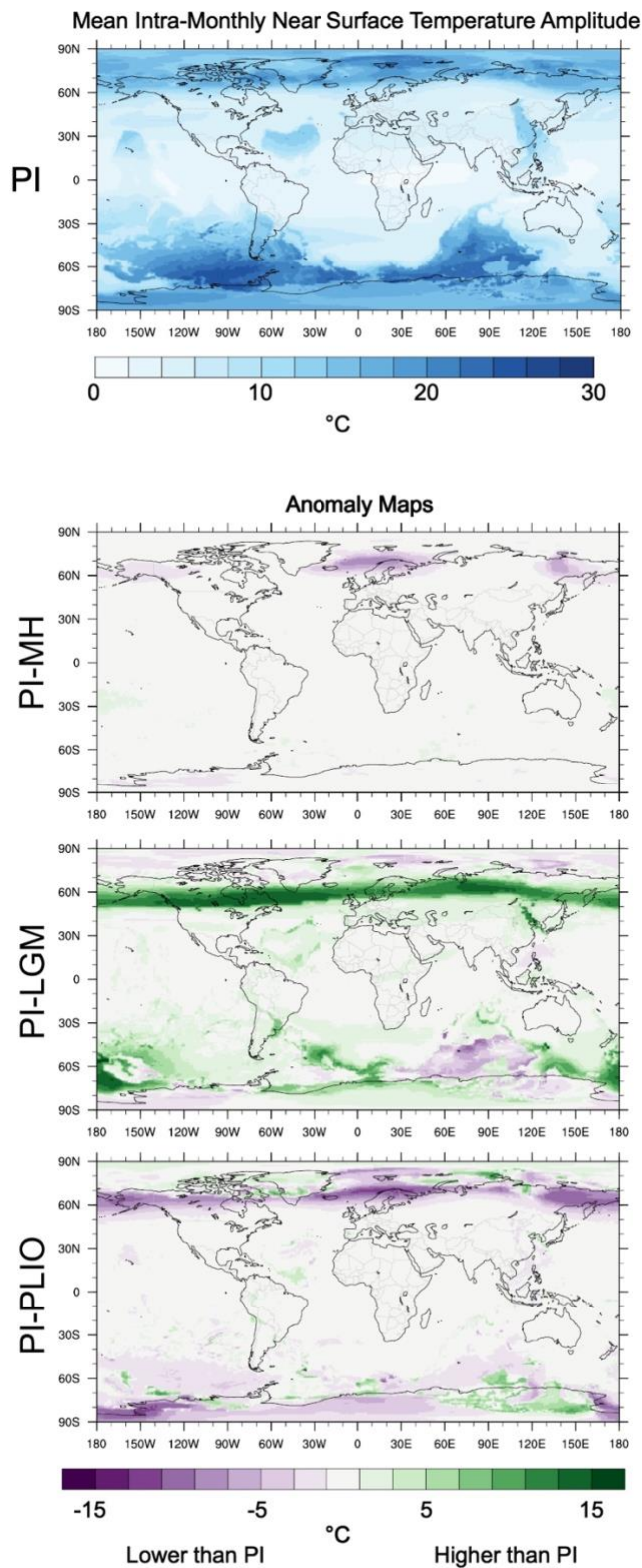


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64S02: Pre-industrial (PI) mean intra-monthly near surface temperature amplitude, and differences in mean intra-
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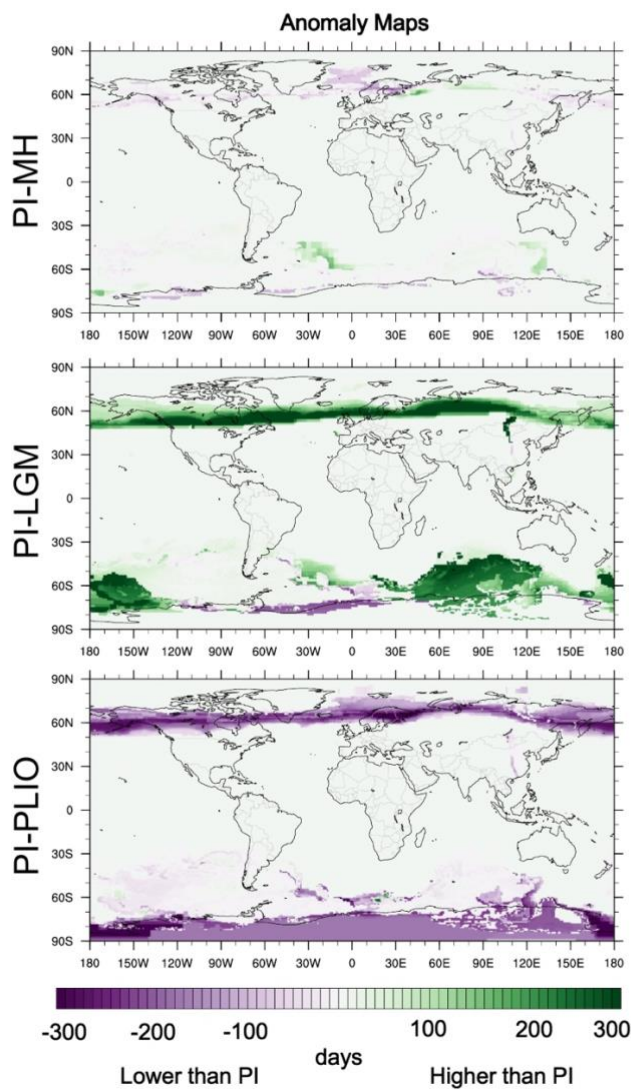
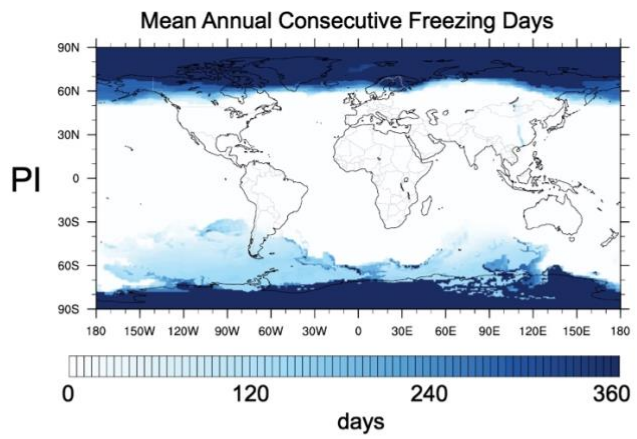


Fig. S03

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68S03: Pre-industrial (PI) mean annual consecutive freezing days, and differences in mean annual consecutive
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 70Late Pliocene (PI-PLIO) climates.

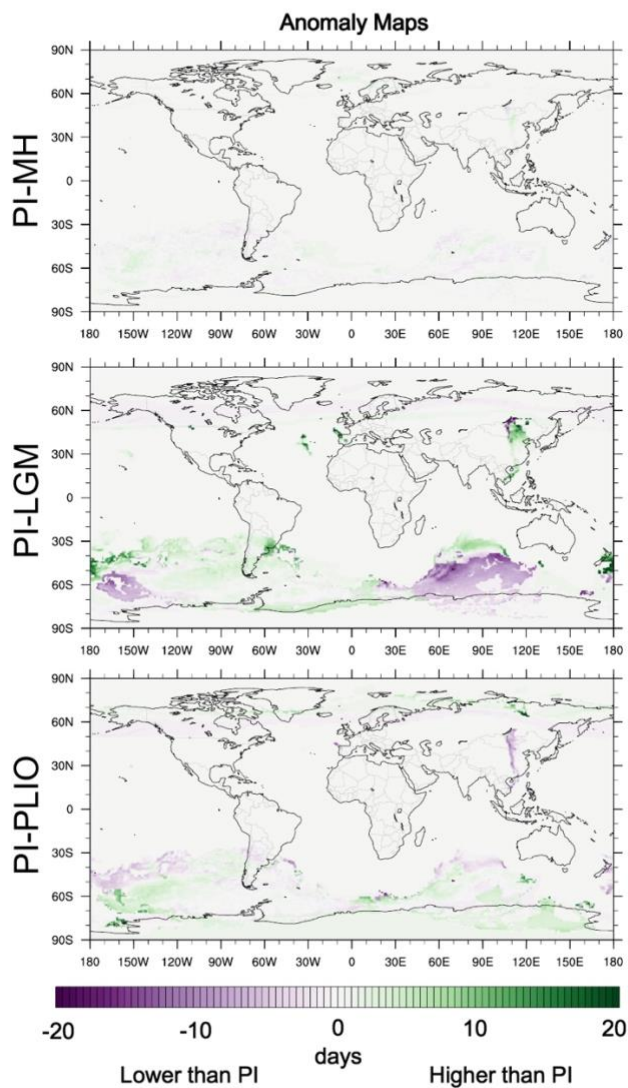
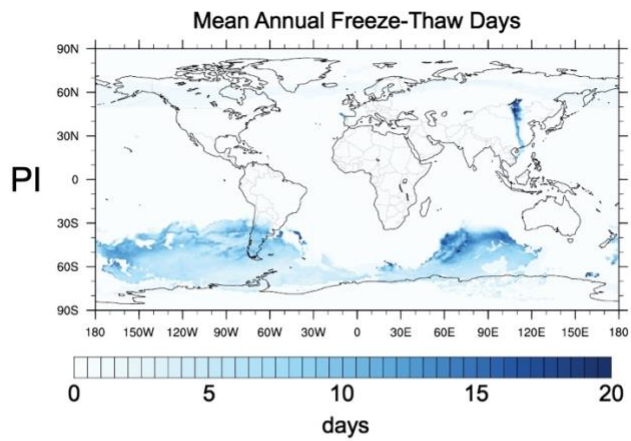


Fig. S04

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72S04: Pre-industrial (PI) mean annual freeze-thaw days, and differences in mean annual freeze-thaw days
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 74(PI-PLIO) climates.

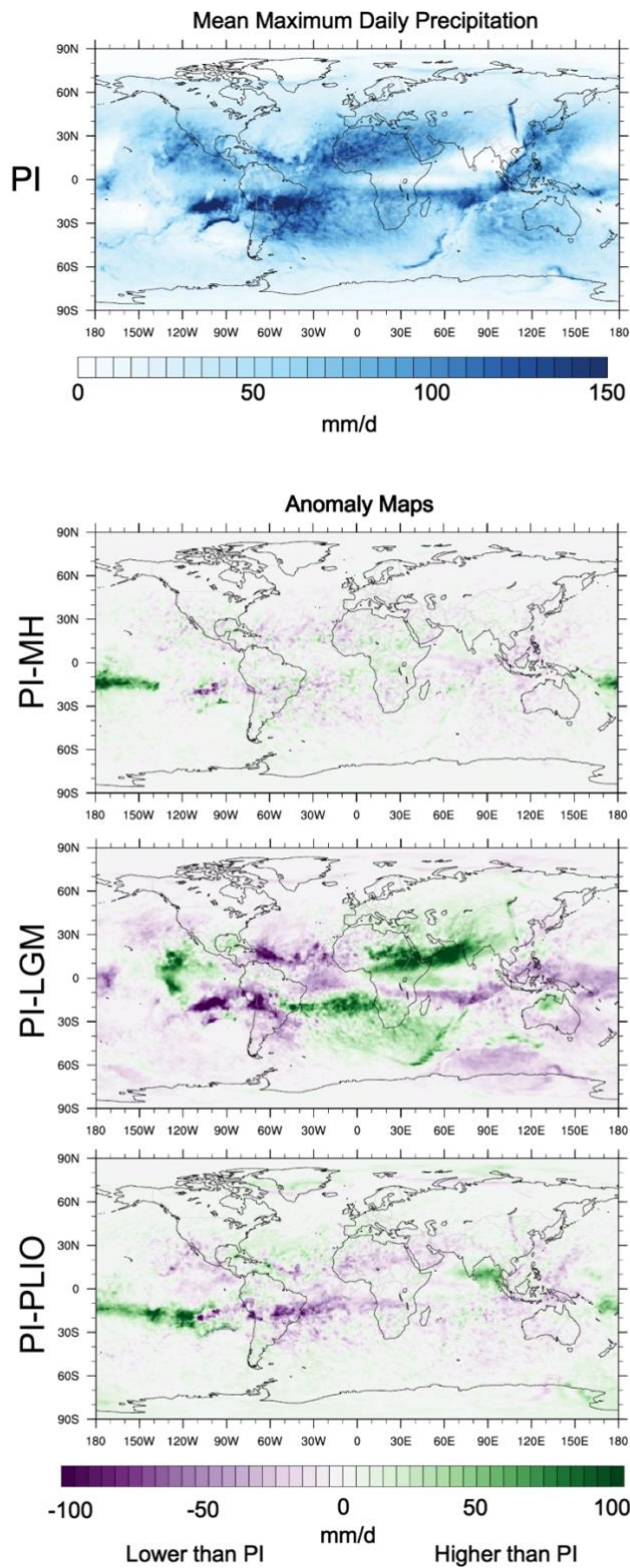


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76S05: Pre-industrial (PI) annual mean of maximum daily precipitation, and differences in annual mean of
 77maximum daily precipitation values between PI and Mid-Holocene (PI-MH), PI and Last Glacial Maximum
 78(PI-LGM), and PI and Late Pliocene (PI-PLIO) climates.

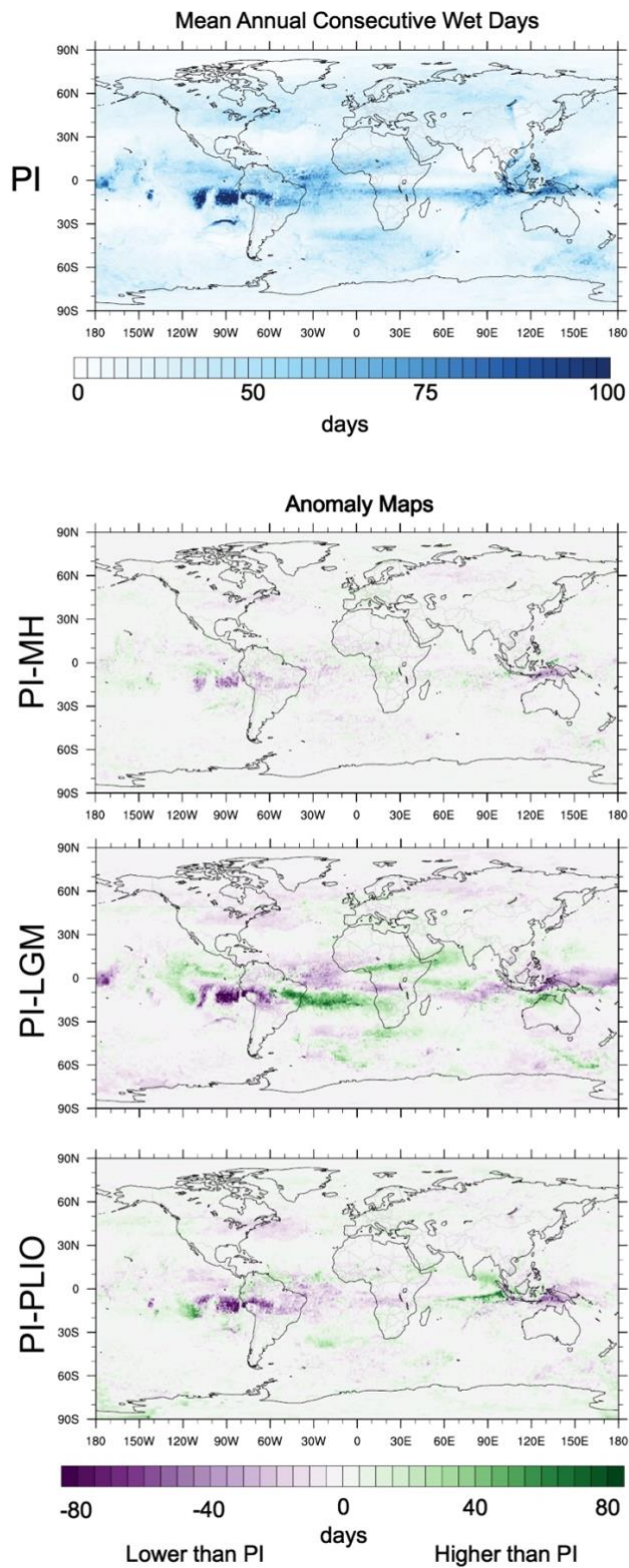


Fig. S06

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80S06: Pre-industrial (PI) mean annual consecutive wet days, and differences in mean annual consecutive wet
 81days between PI and Mid-Holocene (PI-MH), PI and Last Glacial Maximum (PI-LGM), and PI and Late
 82Pliocene (PI-PLIO) climates.

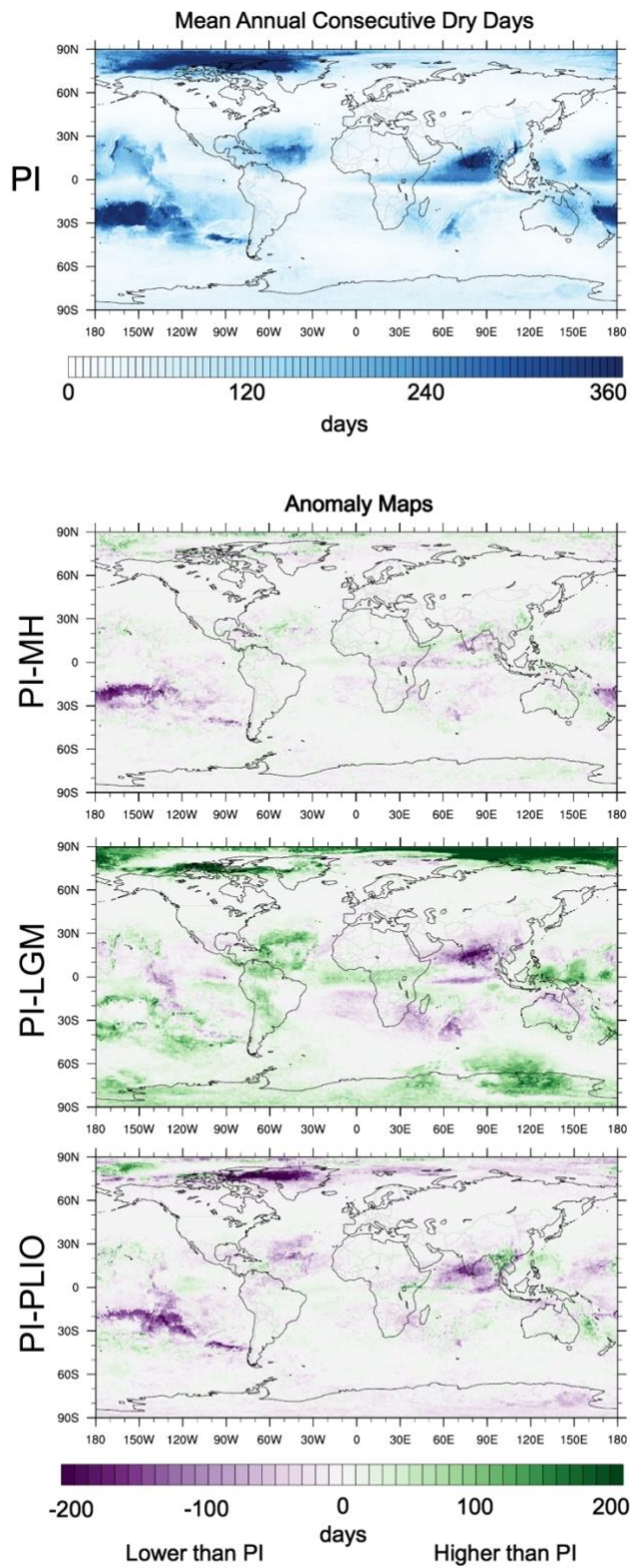
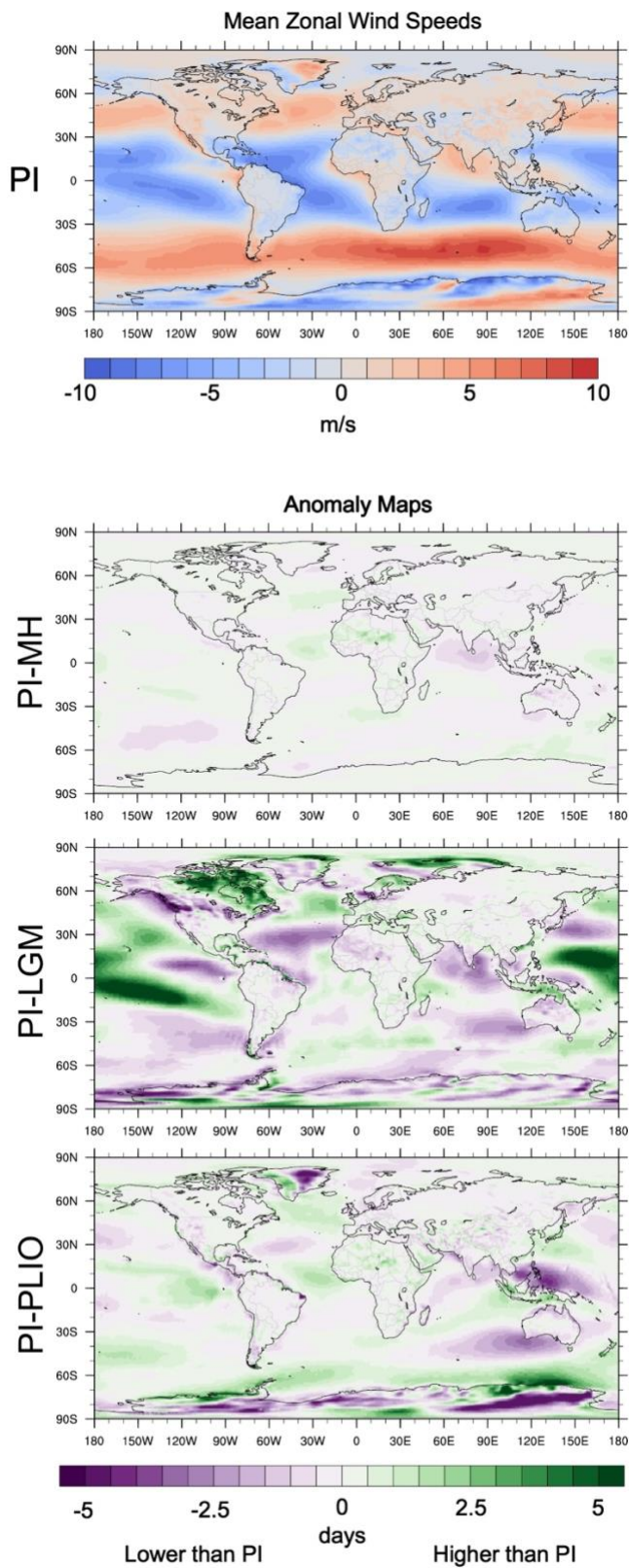


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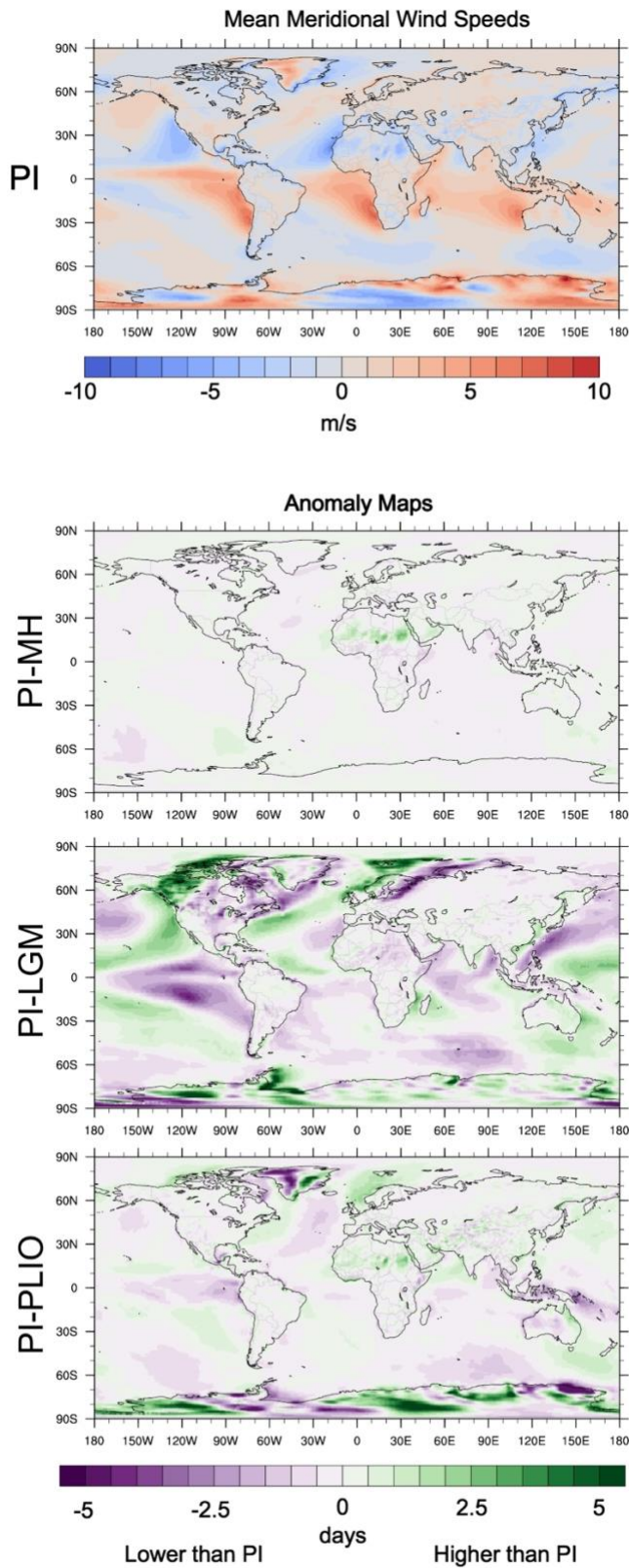
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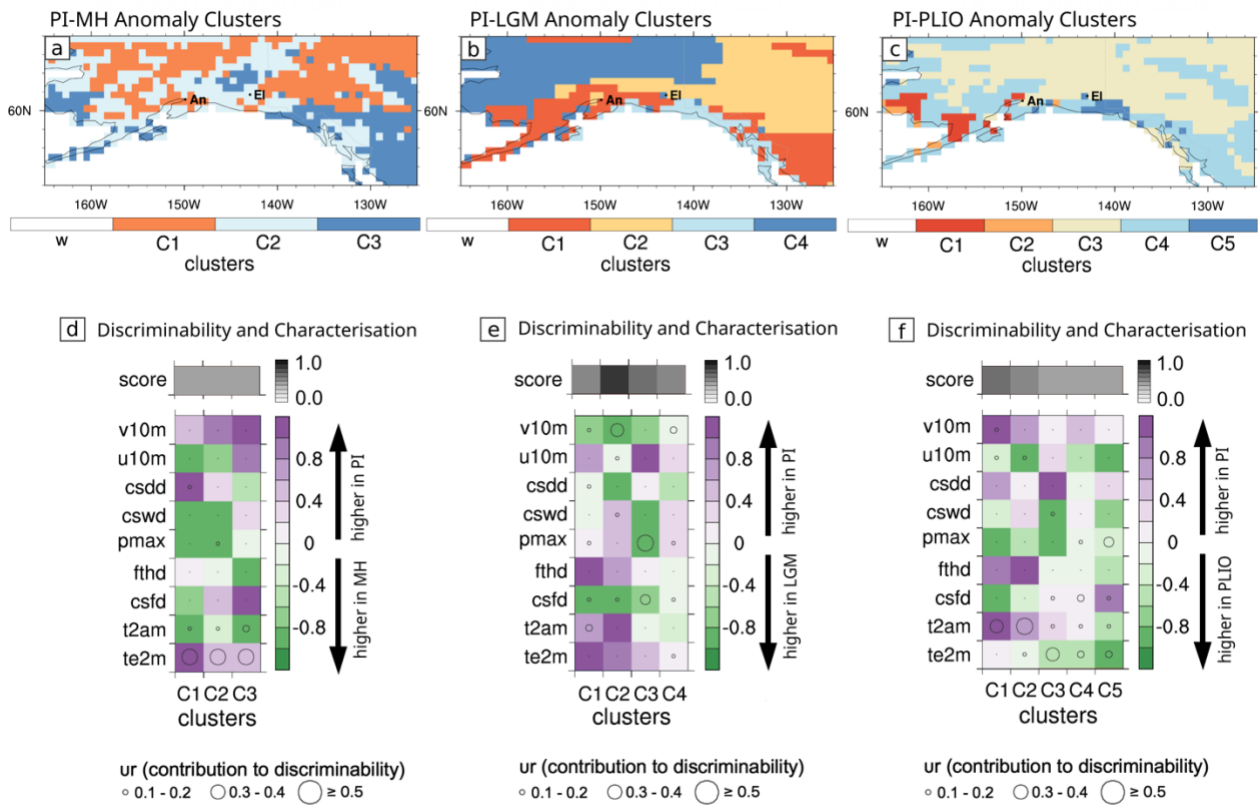
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88S08: Pre-industrial (PI) mean zonal wind speeds, and differences in mean zonal wind speeds between PI and
 89Mid-Holocene (PI-MH), PI and Last Glacial Maximum (PI-LGM), and PI and Late Pliocene (PI-PLIO)
 90climates.



91 Fig. S09

92S09: Pre-industrial (PI) mean meridional wind speeds, and differences in mean meridional wind speeds
 93between PI and Mid-Holocene (PI-MH), PI and Last Glacial Maximum (PI-LGM), and PI and Late Pliocene
 94(PI-PLIO) climates.



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96S10: The multivariate anomaly maps for time slice comparisons PI-MH(a), PI-LGM(b) and PI-PLIO(c) show
 97the geographical coverage of clusters C₁-C_i in Southwest Alaska, which describe the spatial extend of regions
 98characterised by similar modes of change. The corresponding modes of change (d,e and f) for each cluster are
 99expressed as relative changes in each of the 9 investigated variables: 2m air temperature (te2m), 2m air
 100temperature amplitude (t2am), consecutive freezing days (csfd), freeze-thaw days (fthd), maximum
 101precipitation (pmax), consecutive wet days (cswd), consecutive dry days (csdd), zonal near surface wind
 102speeds (u10) and meridional near surface wind speeds (v10). The score (d,e and f) expresses the goodness of
 103discriminability between the palaeoclimate pairs PI-MH(d), PI-LGM(e) and PI-PLIO(f) in each of the anomaly
 104clusters. The size of the circles corresponds to the relative contribution of each of the 9 climatic attribute
 105variables to the measured discriminability in each anomaly cluster for all three time slice comparisons.

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South Alaska												
cluster	PI-MH Anomaly Clusters			PI-LGM Anomaly Clusters				PI-PLIO Anomaly Clusters				
	C1	C2	C3	C1	C2	C3	C4	C1	C2	C3	C4	C5
v10 (m/s)	0.07	0.13	0.14	-2.22	-3.35	-2.39	-0.37	0.35	0.26	0	0.16	0.06
u10 (m/s)	-0.08	-0.06	0.07	1.94	-0.17	3.09	0.92	-0.07	-0.25	0.08	-0.1	-0.24
csdd (d)	1.44	0.41	-0.82	-0.52	-7.04	1	-3.67	2.1	0.55	2.77	-0.16	1.06
cswd (d)	-0.47	-0.44	0.14	-0.11	2.2	-4.1	1.57	-0.76	0.74	-2.25	0.31	-1.54
pmax (mm/d)	-0.88	-0.75	-0.17	1.39	4.37	-10.2	2.82	-1.99	-1.31	-2.34	-0.19	-0.72
ftfd (d)	0	-0.01	-0.07	0.63	0.48	0.12	-0.04	0.92	0.98	-0.05	-0.19	-0.56
csfd (d)	-0.28	0.22	0.4	-13.36	-10.96	-8.07	-2.05	-13	-3.75	0.67	1.92	11.08
t2am (K)	-0.69	-0.17	-0.7	2.77	3.91	-0.04	-1.39	8.44	5.77	1.78	1.52	-4.05
te2m (K)	1.46	0.73	0.72	7.94	7.92	4.02	1.31	0.97	-0.73	-2.87	-3.05	-6.51

Western South America																		
cluster	PI-MH Anomaly Clusters					PI-LGM Anomaly Clusters						PI-PLIO Anomaly Clusters						
	C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6	C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6	C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6
v10 (m/s)	-1.01	0.05	0	0	0.02	-0.01	1.07	-0.25	1.08	0.33	-0.01	-0.08	0.12	0.03	-0.2	-0.34	-0.16	0.13
u10 (m/s)	-0.65	0.27	-0.14	-0.12	-0.05	0.03	1.26	-1.96	-1.53	0.11	0.15	0	0.43	-0.16	-0.04	-3.09	0.42	-0.37
csdd (d)	0.15	-1.27	0.94	0.56	-0.7	-2.81	-0.29	-3.94	0.28	0.96	-1.73	-1.45	3.95	-0.12	-2.21	-0.92	1.11	-0.36
cswd (d)	1.24	0.92	-0.78	-0.25	0.57	0.68	0.67	4.43	-0.36	-1.12	0.32	2.28	-2.11	-0.06	2.3	3.15	-0.08	5.41
pmax (mm/d)	1.1	0.33	-0.52	-0.13	2.67	4.45	-9.01	3.47	6.47	-1.81	-0.36	8.86	-4.07	1.43	10.14	0.99	0.3	8.57
ftfd (d)	-0.01	-0.24	0.18	-0.07	0	0	0.12	1.25	1.19	-0.12	-0.62	-0.02	0.17	0.02	0.04	0.59	0.62	-0.99
csfd (d)	-0.08	-2.81	-1.7	0.1	0.03	0	-29.93	-24.23	-24.82	-0.9	-2.55	-0.12	1.26	0.12	0.27	3.31	5.97	26.73
t2am (K)	1.52	0.55	-0.47	0.08	0.09	-0.43	-2.98	-3.4	-1.01	-0.49	-4.64	0.07	0.97	0.75	0.32	-0.29	1.13	-4.66
te2m (K)	1.01	0.94	-0.05	-0.17	-0.46	-1.29	8.72	8.45	7.38	1.48	1.3	1.27	-0.97	-1.09	-2.05	-3.94	-4.62	-6.64

Europe																				
cluster	PI-MH Anomaly Clusters					PI-LGM Anomaly Clusters						PI-PLIO Anomaly Clusters								
	C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6	C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6	C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6	C7	C8
v10 (m/s)	-0.12	-0.05	0.01	-0.53	0.13	-0.07	-1.31	3.17	0.43	-1.87	0.15	0.01	-0.64	-0.37	-0.48	-0.09	-0.02	0.15	0.06	0.05
u10 (m/s)	-0.03	0.08	-0.05	-0.2	0.21	-0.43	-0.98	0.11	1.15	-0.74	0.01	-0.2	0.22	0.56	-0.64	0.19	0.14	0.03	0	0.17
csdd (d)	-0.32	0.52	-0.32	1.36	0.26	-2.31	-5.75	-4.97	-0.86	2.76	-4.33	-0.57	1.87	-2.38	0	-0.16	0.79	2.05	-1.66	-0.56
cswd (d)	0.11	-0.32	-0.23	-0.64	-0.54	-1.93	3.44	1.76	0.02	-5.71	1.73	0.35	-1.47	2.79	-0.28	-0.19	-0.95	-1.09	0.55	1.8
pmax (mm/d)	0.25	-1.34	-0.41	-1.8	-1.71	-0.52	9.79	1.55	2.48	1.76	4.77	2.28	-5.41	0.36	-0.33	-0.25	-0.43	-1.09	2.15	1.97
ftfd (d)	0.01	0.01	-0.12	0.01	0	0.06	0.6	0.55	0.7	0.49	-0.26	-0.18	0.05	-0.33	0.05	0.06	0.2	-0.23	0.28	-0.33
csfd (d)	-0.27	0.22	0.77	0.19	0.03	9.88	-14.74	-15.04	-22.66	-28.19	-3.39	-2.69	0.27	-2.29	0.48	0.49	2.76	2.74	2.65	8.47
t2am (K)	-0.18	-0.06	0.43	-0.29	-1.18	0.02	-2.31	0.08	-4.89	-4.34	-4.63	-2.56	0.12	-2.31	-0.13	0.16	1.38	2.32	0.89	3.03
te2m (K)	-0.16	-0.41	-0.62	-0.71	-1.34	-1.44	19.84	18.32	18.05	13.84	6.32	4.32	-1.16	-1.66	-1.68	-2.11	-3.29	-3.85	-3.86	-6.42

Himalaya-Tibet																
cluster	PI-MH Anomaly Clusters					PI-LGM Anomaly Clusters						PI-PLIO Anomaly Clusters				
	C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6	C1	C2	C3	C4	C5
v10 (m/s)	0	0.34	-0.03	-0.1	-0.09	0.15	0.03	0.1	-0.11	-0.01	-0.74	-0.05	-0.2	-0.05	0.05	0.23
u10 (m/s)	-0.05	0.32	0.07	-0.01	0.08	0.07	-0.06	-0.17	0.61	0.09	0.57	-0.21	0.1	0.03	0	0.39
csdd (d)	2.16	0.13	0.8	0.45	-1	-3.37	-1.51	-0.17	-3.64	-4.15	-1.12	4.51	2.26	-0.08	1.27	-3.25
cswd (d)	-1.44	0.29	-0.44	-0.06	0.06	1.59	0.42	0.09	4.6	1.54	0.83	-3.05	-0.94	0.23	-0.74	1.85
pmax (mm/d)	-4.78	3.39	-0.69	-0.53	-0.09	3.5	2.32	1.58	24.37	7.05	10.76	-9.72	-2.42	1.35	-1.32	2.73
ftfd (d)	0	0.01	-0.01	0.04	-0.04	-0.05	-0.23	-0.02	0	-0.13	-0.61	-0.03	-0.02	0.12	-0.13	0.02
csfd (d)	-0.04	-0.04	0.12	-0.55	-0.25	-2.55	-2.65	-0.37	0	-0.83	13.71	-0.22	0.22	1.41	1.92	4.2
t2am (K)	0.08	0	0.13	-0.32	-0.16	-3.98	-1.49	-0.91	-1.11	-1.27	-5.49	-0.24	-0.06	0.2	1.88	1.95
te2m (K)	1.31	0.6	0.52	0.32	-0.2	5.37	3.36	2.69	2.66	2	-1.44	0.84	-0.95	-2.26	-3.51	-5.03

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113Supplemental table ST01: Attribute variable values for each anomaly cluster, time slice comparison and region.

114Green values denote an increase in values relative to the reference simulation, whereas purple values denote a

115decrease in values relative to the reference simulation.