

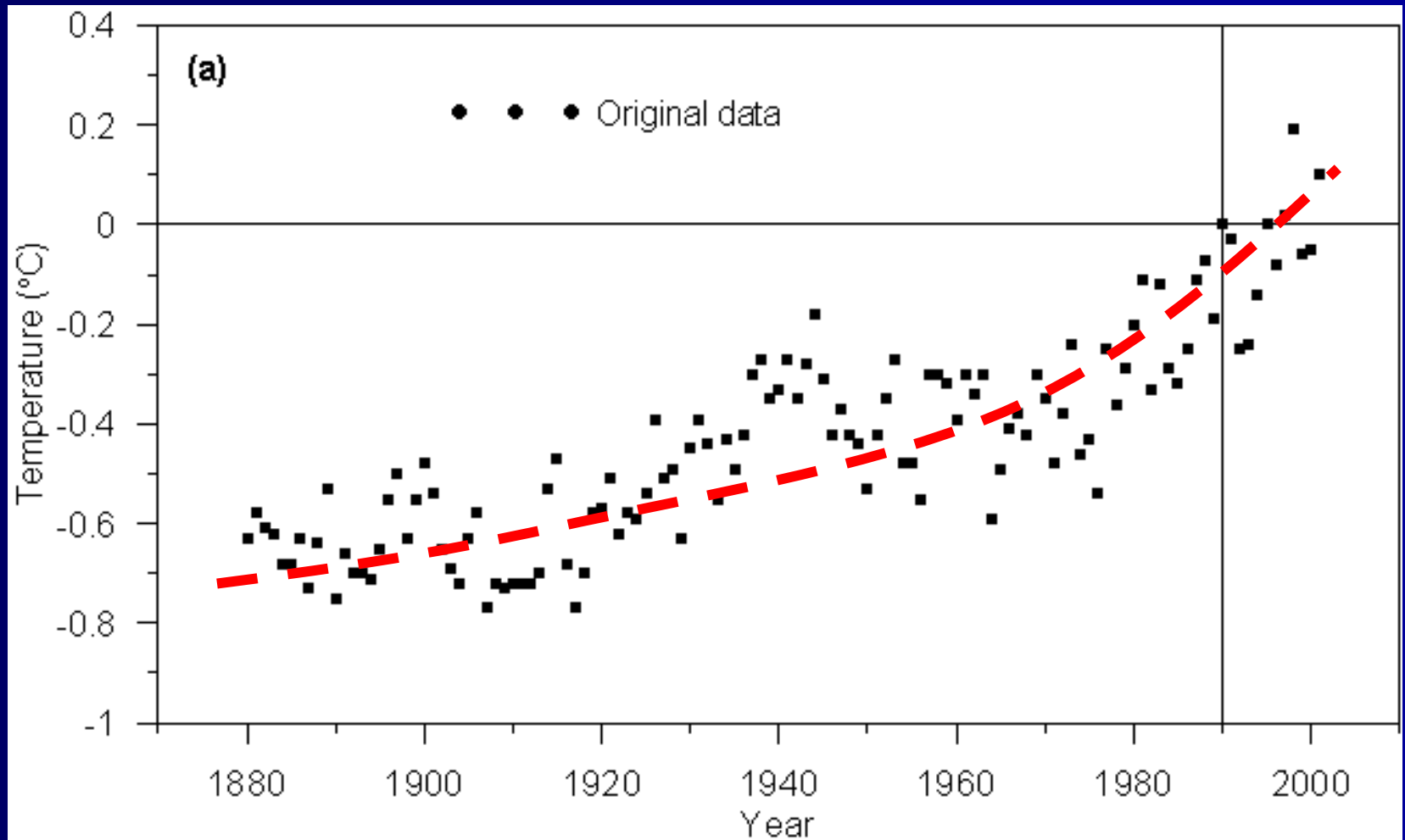
Global Temperature Change and Sea-Level Rise

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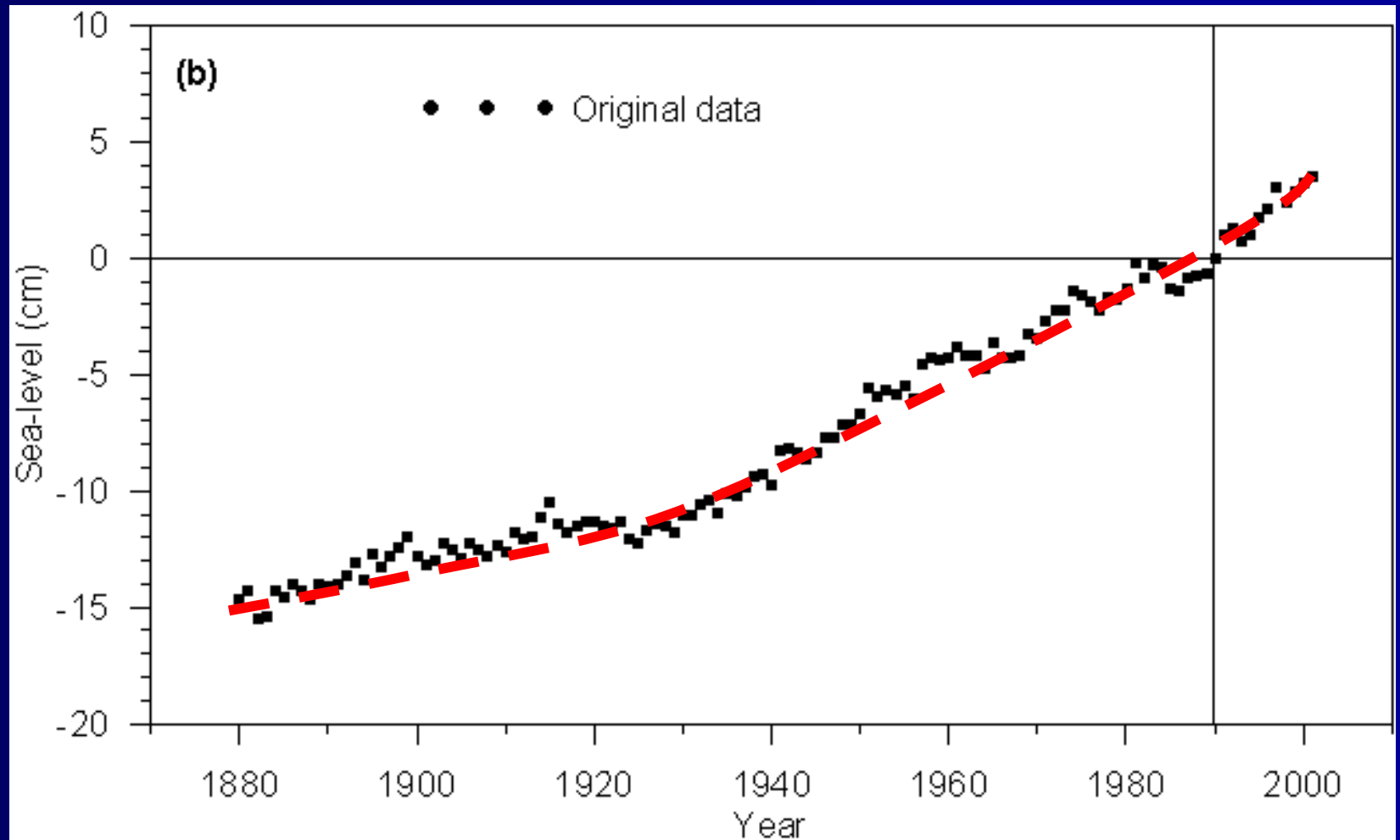
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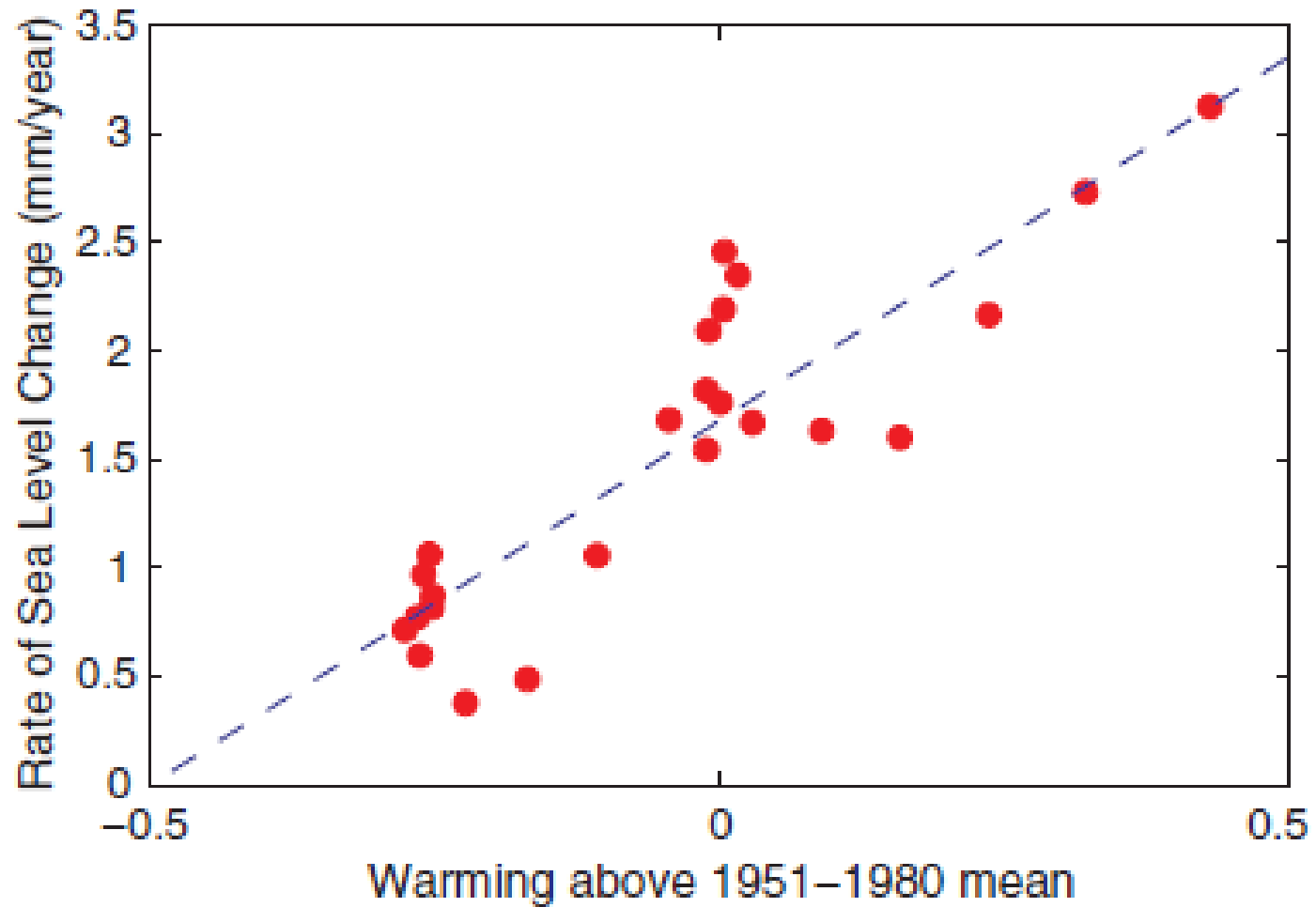
Global Temperature Change:



Global Sea-Level Rise:



Correlation:



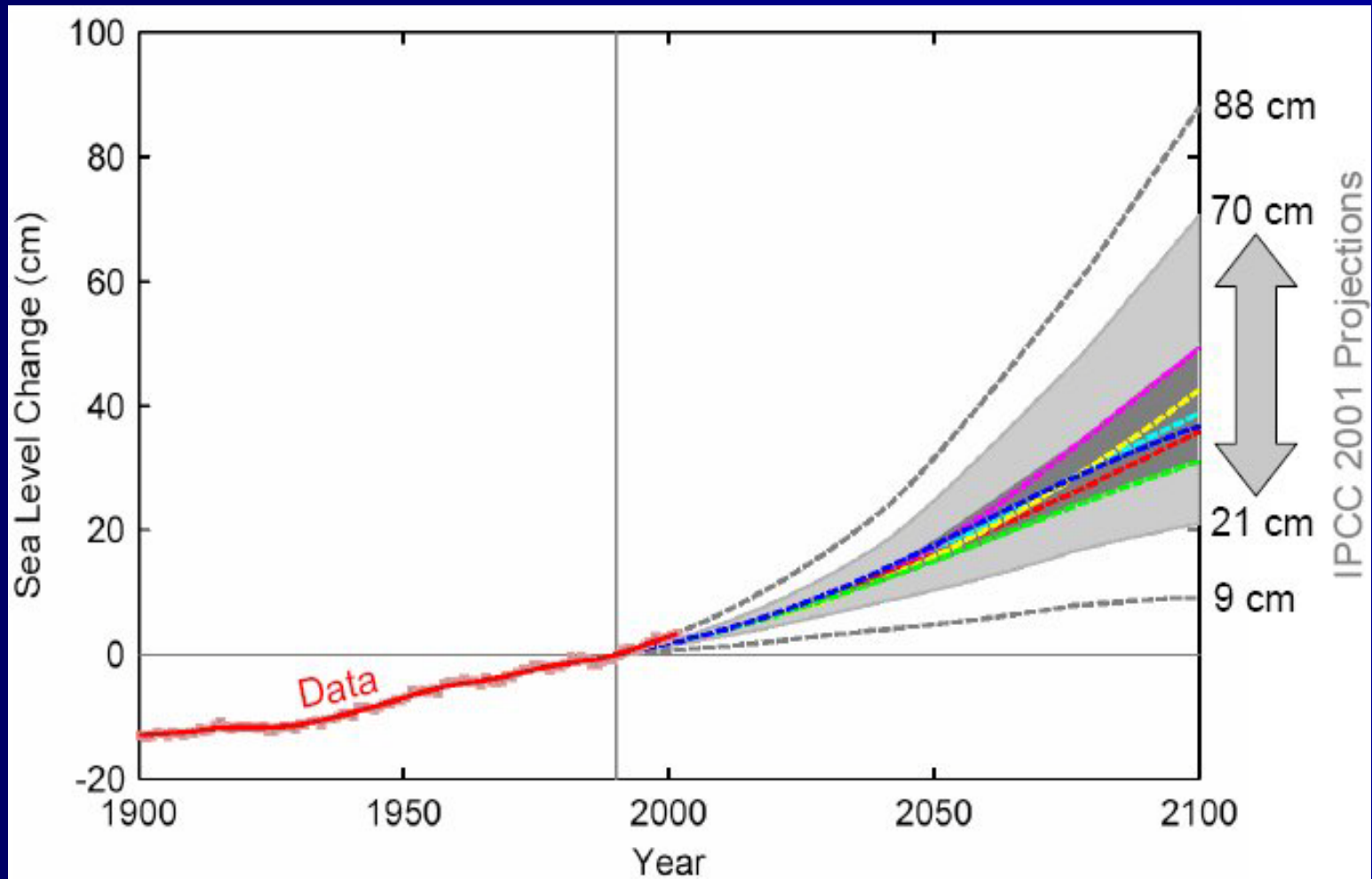
What does IPCC say?

The Summary for Policy Makers (SPM) released recently provides the following table of sea level rise projections:

Case	Sea Level Rise (m at 2090-2099 relative to 1980-1999)
	Model-based range excluding future rapid dynamical changes in ice flow
B1 scenario	0.18 – 0.38
A1T scenario	0.20 – 0.45
B2 scenario	0.20 – 0.43
A1B scenario	0.21 – 0.48
A2 scenario	0.23 – 0.51
A1FI scenario	0.26 – 0.59

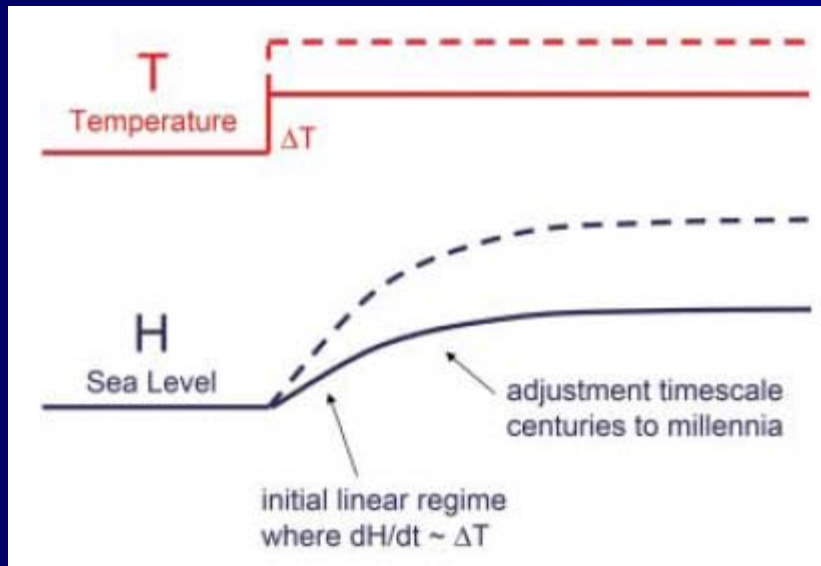


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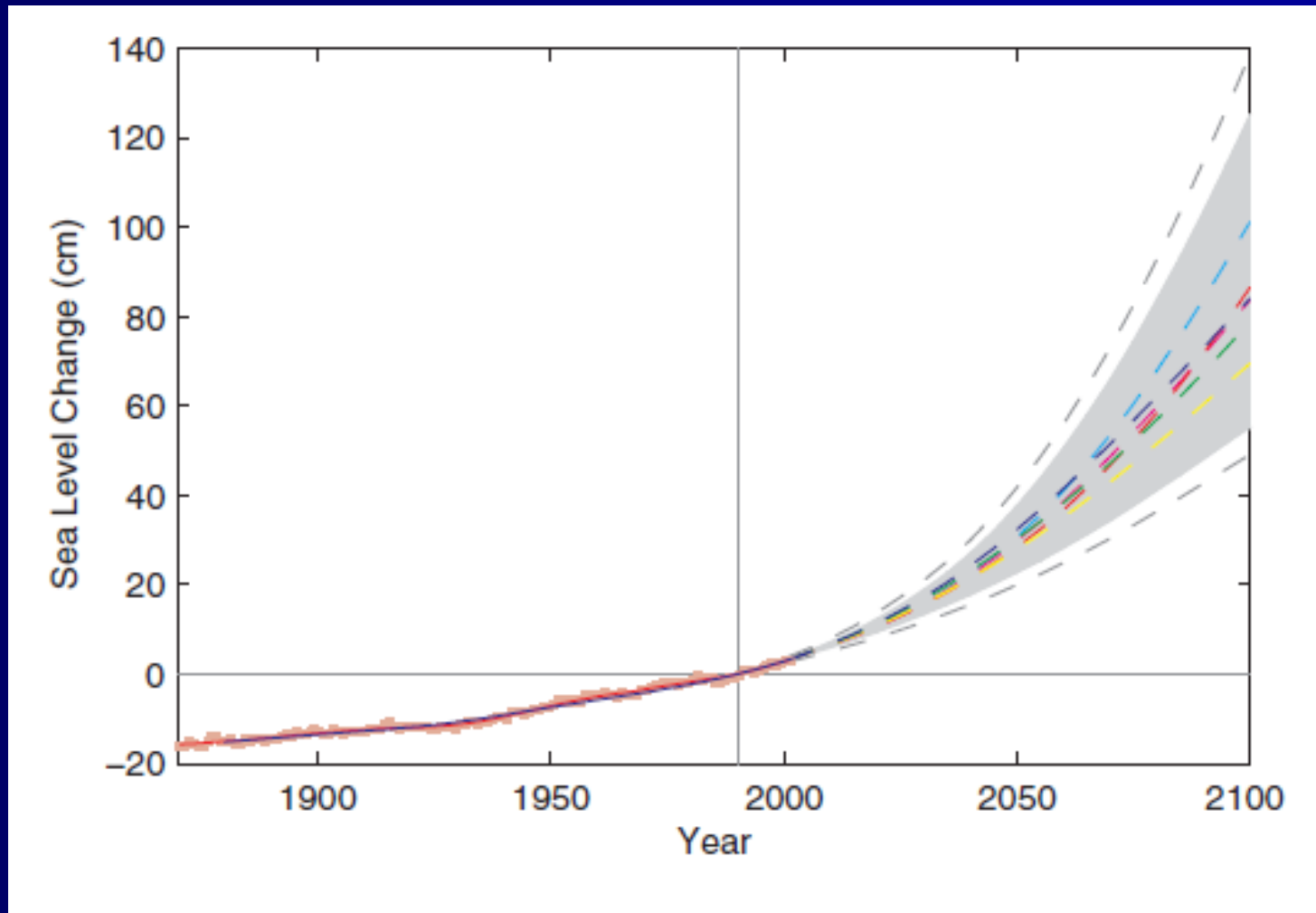
$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial t} = a(T - T_o)$$

$$H(t) = a \int_{t_o}^t (T(\tau) - T_o) d\tau$$



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Sea-Level Rise Interval Predicted:

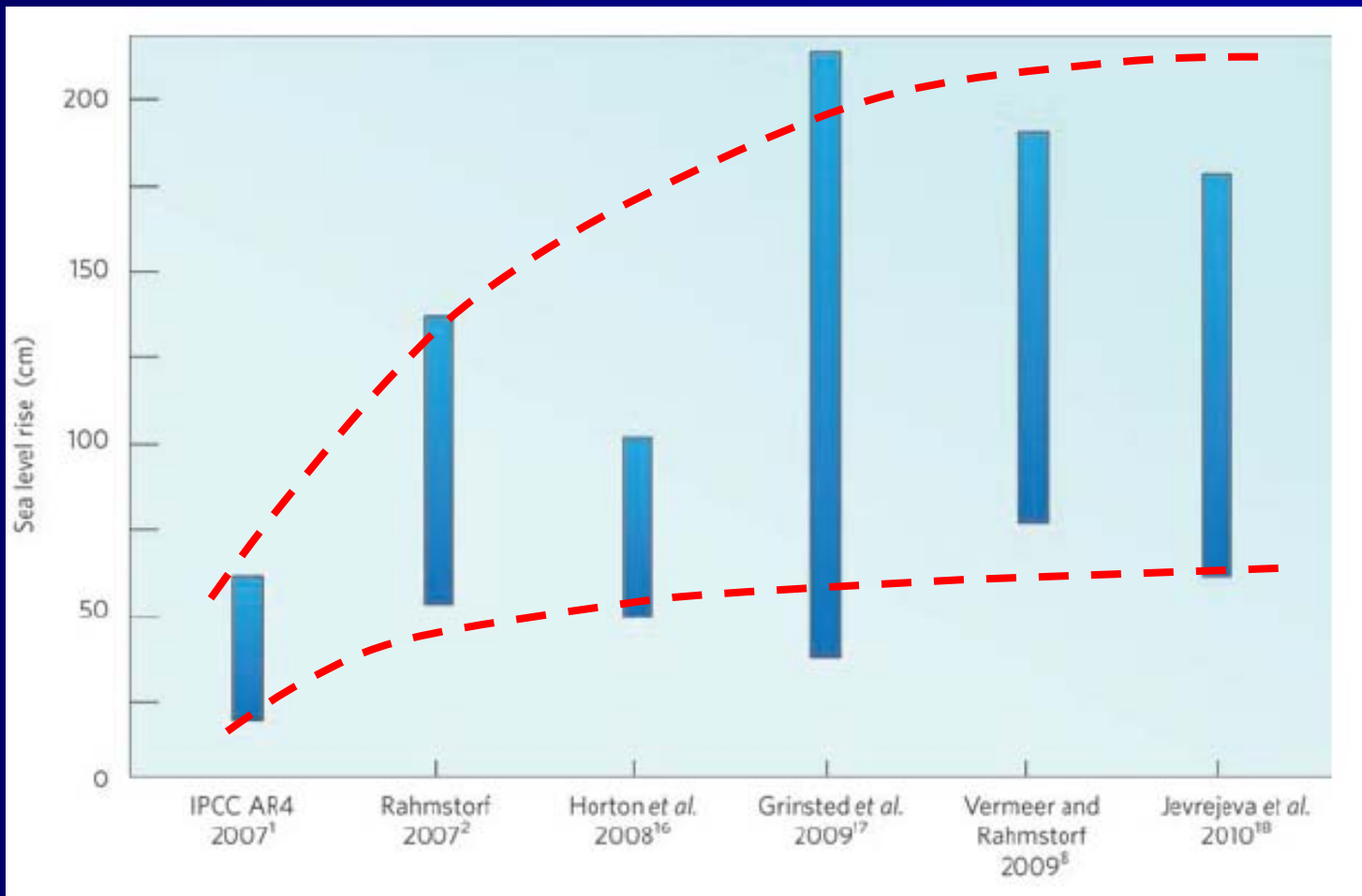
$\{0.5 - 1.4m\}$ above 1990 level

IPCC Interval Predicted:

$\{0.09 - 0.88m\}$ above 1990 level



IPCC and other Models:



*Everything should be made as simple
as possible, but not simpler.*

A. Einstein



A Dynamic Systems Model



Expected Relationship:

- Earlier studies showed that the relationship between T & H is linear.

Hypothesis:

- Temperature: $T = f_1(T, H, U, c_1)$
- Sea-Level: $H = f_2(T, H, U, c_2)$



Proposed Model:

$$\frac{dT(t)}{dt} = a_{11}T(t) + a_{12}H(t) + a_{13}U_i(t) + c_1$$

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Proposed Model: (Simplified)

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Proposed Model:

$$\mathbf{X}(t) = (T(t), H(t))^{\tau} = (x_1(t), x_2(t))^{\tau}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{C} = \begin{Bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{X}}{dt} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X}(t) + \mathbf{C}$$



Proposed Discrete Model:

$$X(k+1) = \Phi(k)X(k) + \Omega(k)$$

$$\Phi = (I + A\Delta t); \quad \Omega = C\Delta t$$



LSM Model to determine a_{ij} & c_i :

$$F^* = \underset{\phi_i}{\text{minimize}} \left\{ \left(\mathbf{Y}_i \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\phi}_i \right)^T \mathbf{Y} \left(\mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\phi}_i \right) \right\}$$



Confidence Interval:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \hat{T}_{CI}(k) &= \hat{T}(k) \pm t_{\alpha/2, n-4} \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}_T^2 \left(1 + \hat{Z}(k)^\tau (\mathbf{\Lambda}^\tau \mathbf{\Lambda})^{-1} \hat{Z}(k) \right)} \\ \hat{H}_{CI}(k) &= \hat{H}(k) \pm t_{\alpha/2, n-4} \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}_H^2 \left(1 + \hat{Z}(k)^\tau (\mathbf{\Lambda}^\tau \mathbf{\Lambda})^{-1} \hat{Z}(k) \right)} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

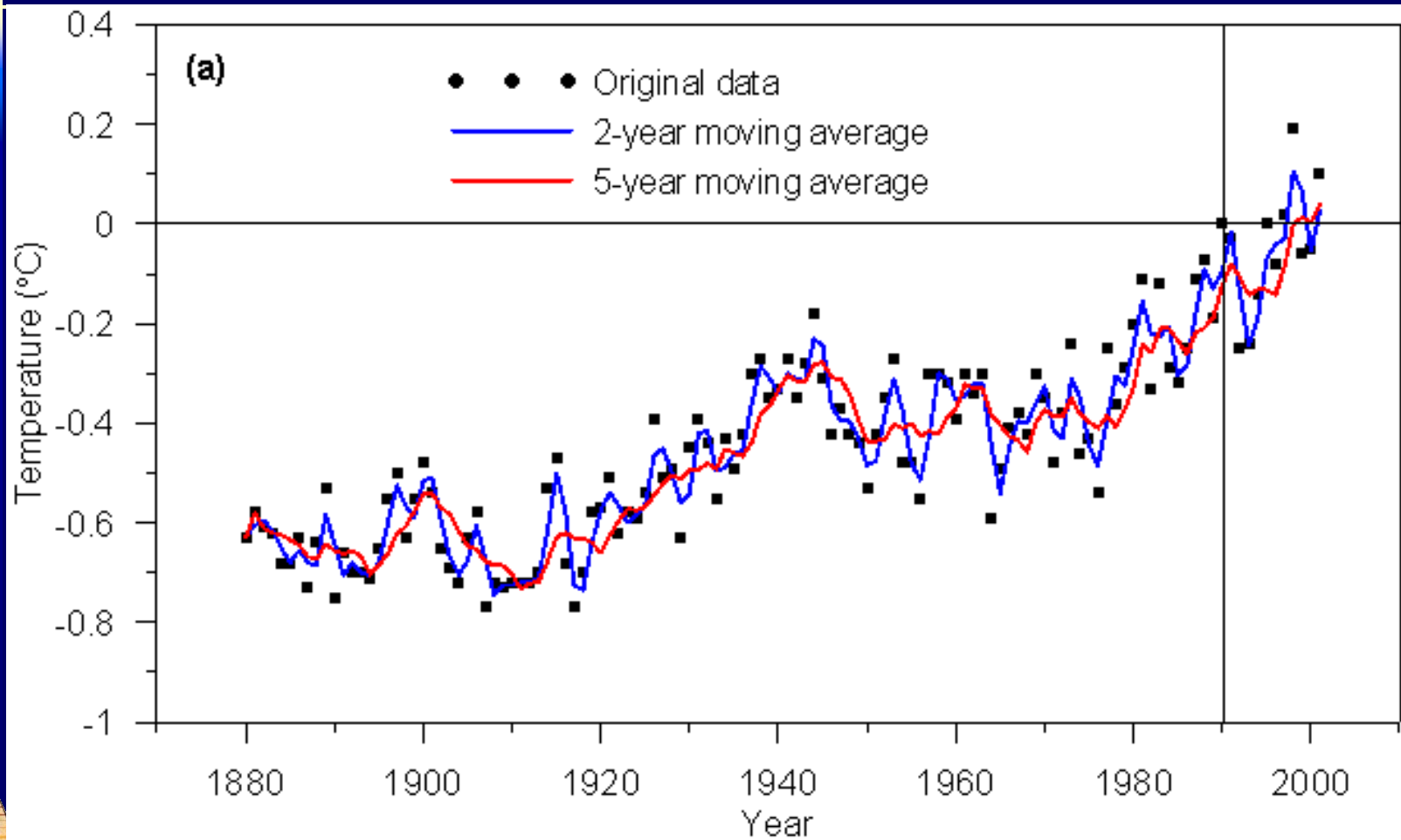


Application:

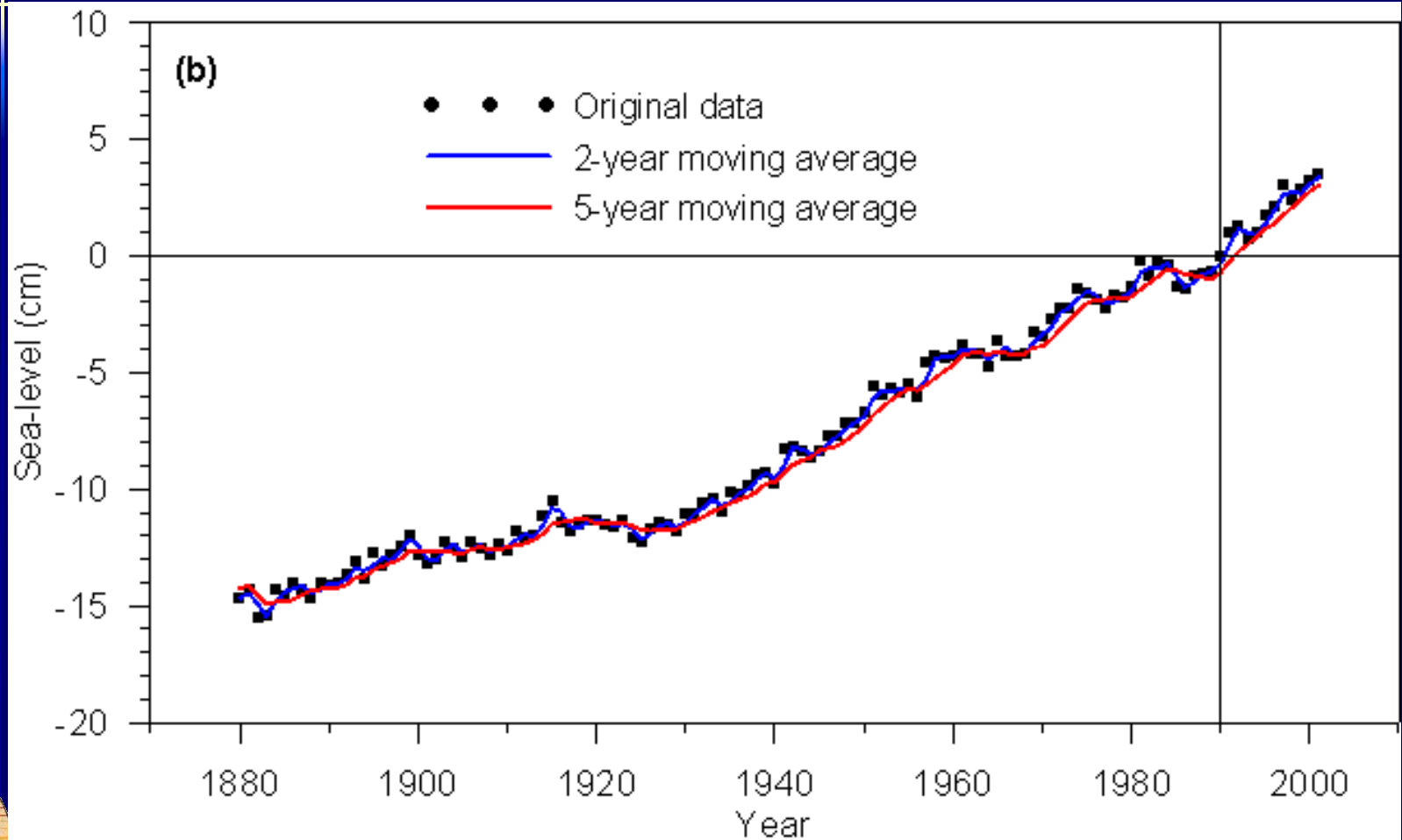
- 2-year moving average outcome is used for both state variables.



Temperature Data:



Sea-Level Data:

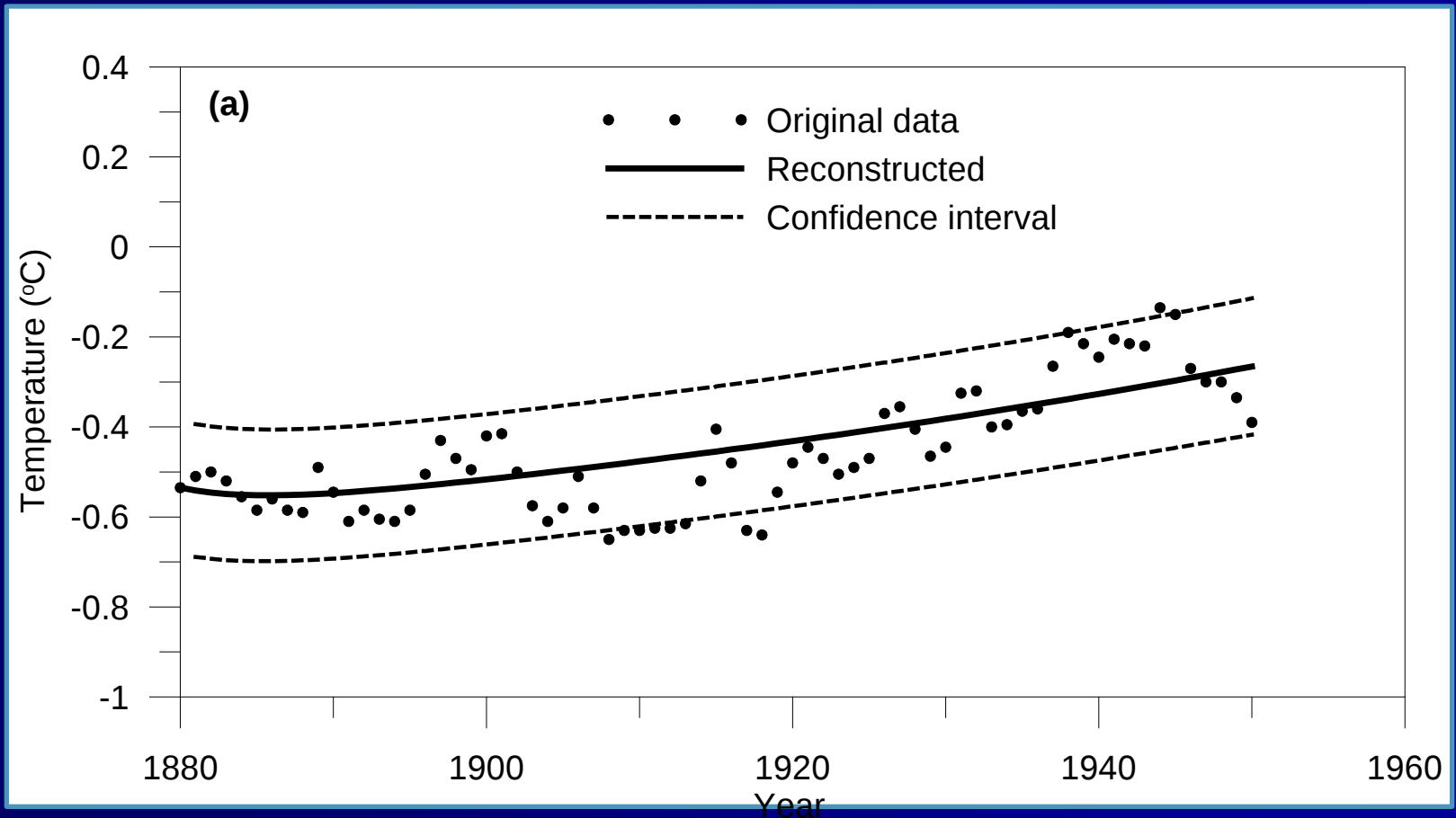


Matrix Coefficients:

Data used	Discrete system (Φ, Ω)	Continuous system (A, C)
1880 - 1950	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.8337 & 0.0072 \\ 0.3441 & 0.9960 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} 0.0083 \\ 0.2234 \end{Bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} -0.1663 & 0.0072 \\ 0.3441 & -0.0040 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} 0.0083 \\ 0.2234 \end{Bmatrix}$
1880 - 2001	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.8074 & 0.0068 \\ 0.4115 & 0.9956 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} -0.0110 \\ 0.2585 \end{Bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} -0.1926 & 0.0068 \\ 0.4115 & -0.0045 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} -0.0110 \\ 0.2585 \end{Bmatrix}$



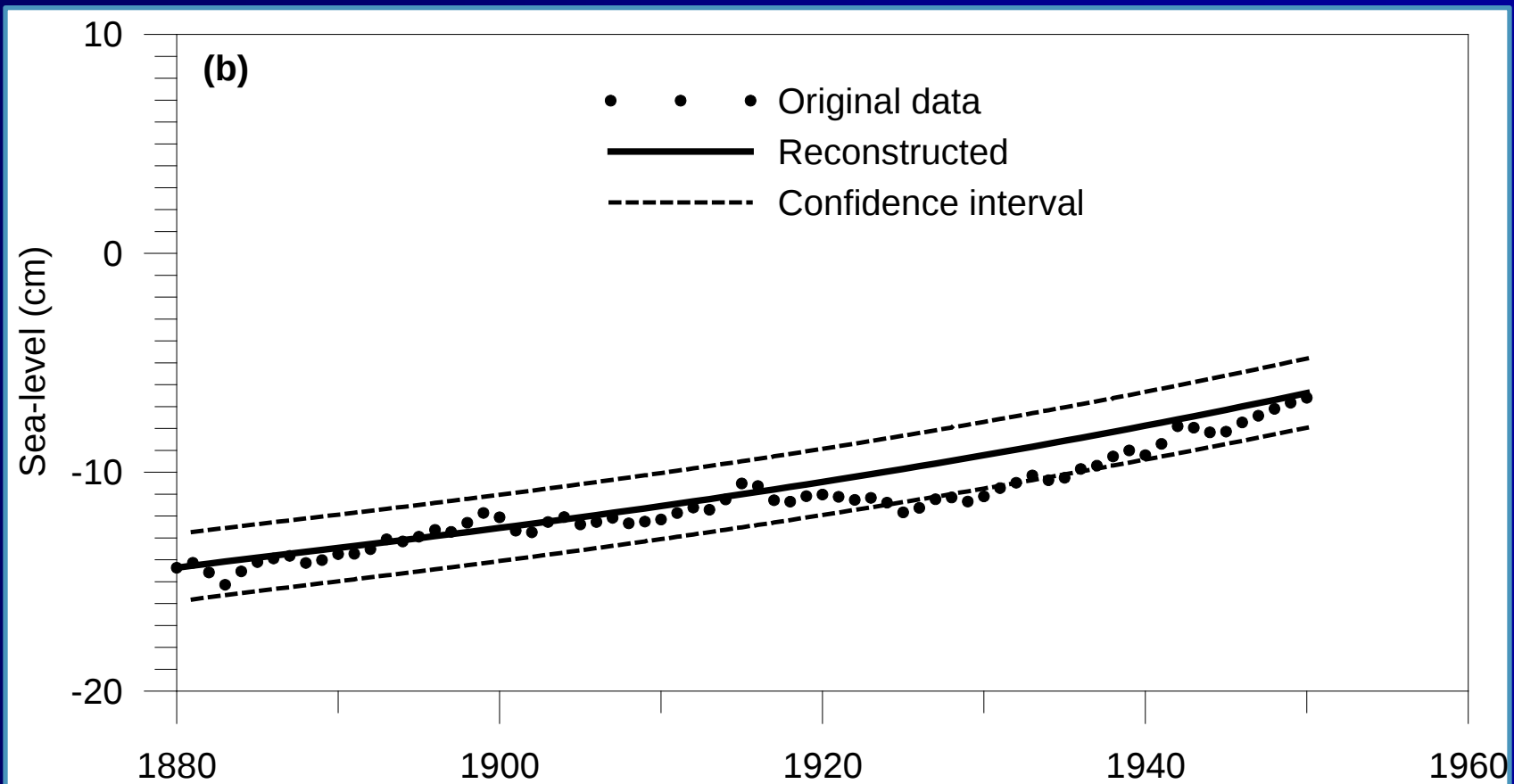
Temperature (1880-1950): (90%) Conf. Int.



$$R^2 = 0.6$$



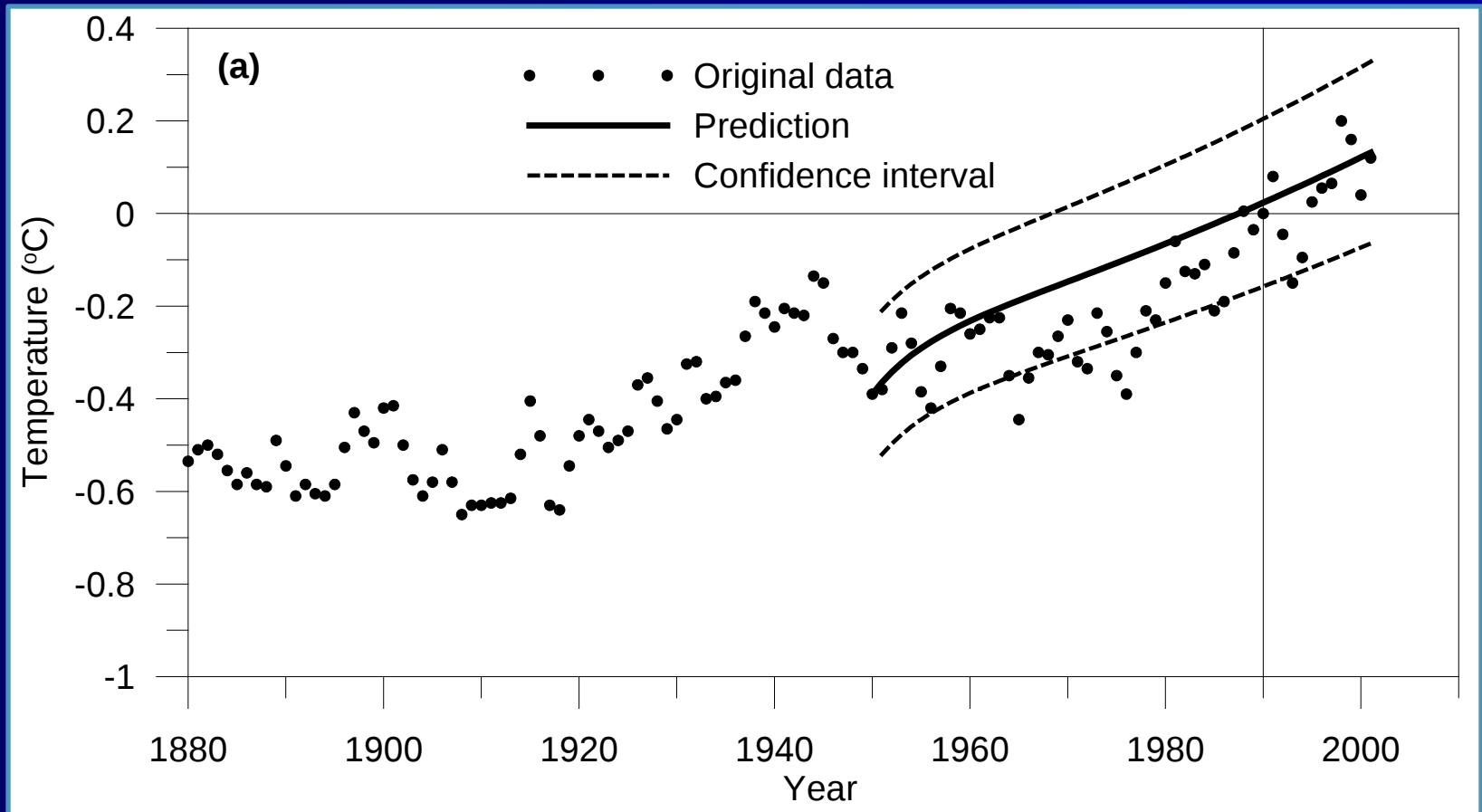
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$$R^2 = 0.8$$



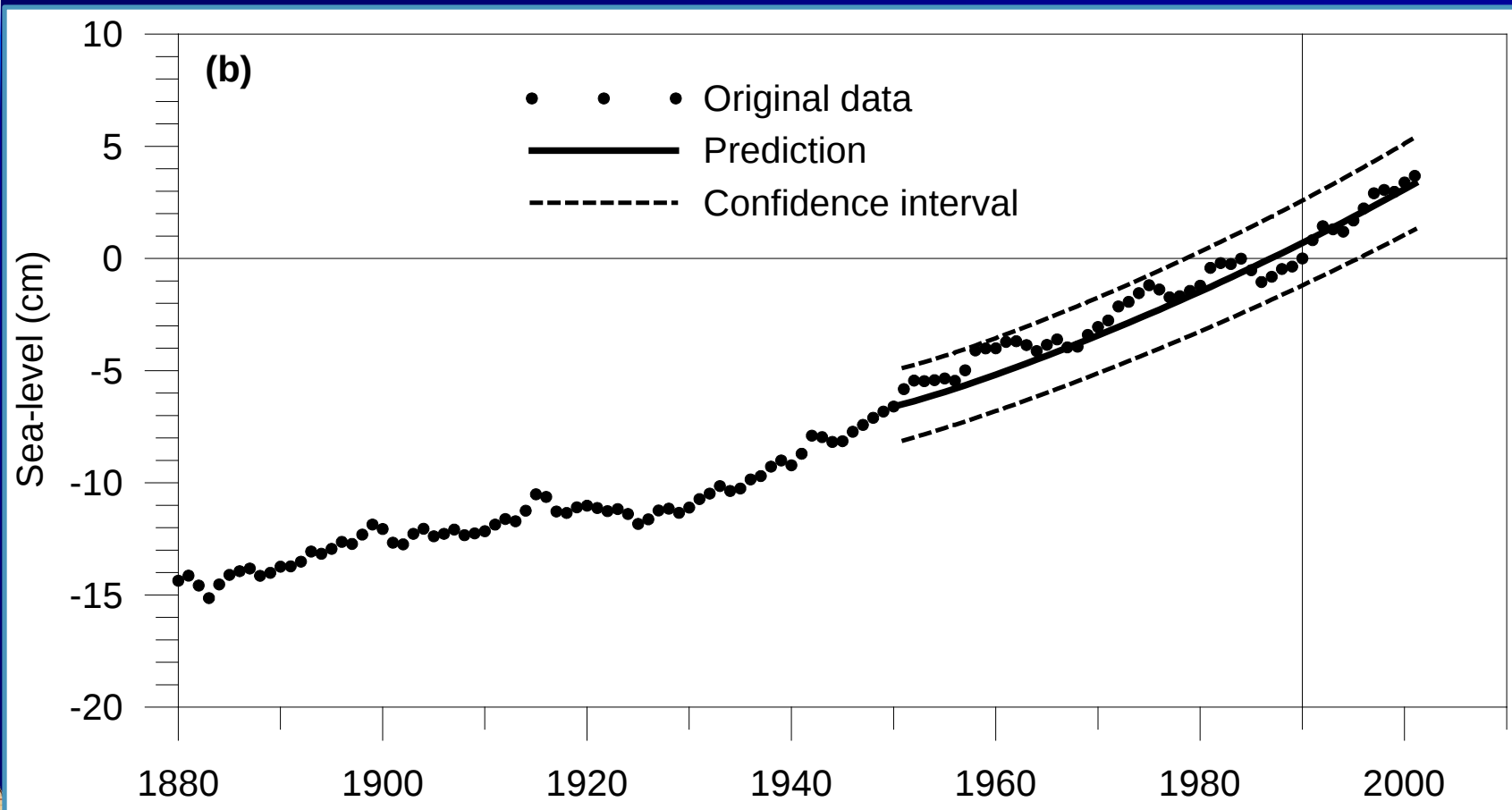
Temperature (1950-2001): (90%) Conf. Int.



$$R^2 = 0.5$$

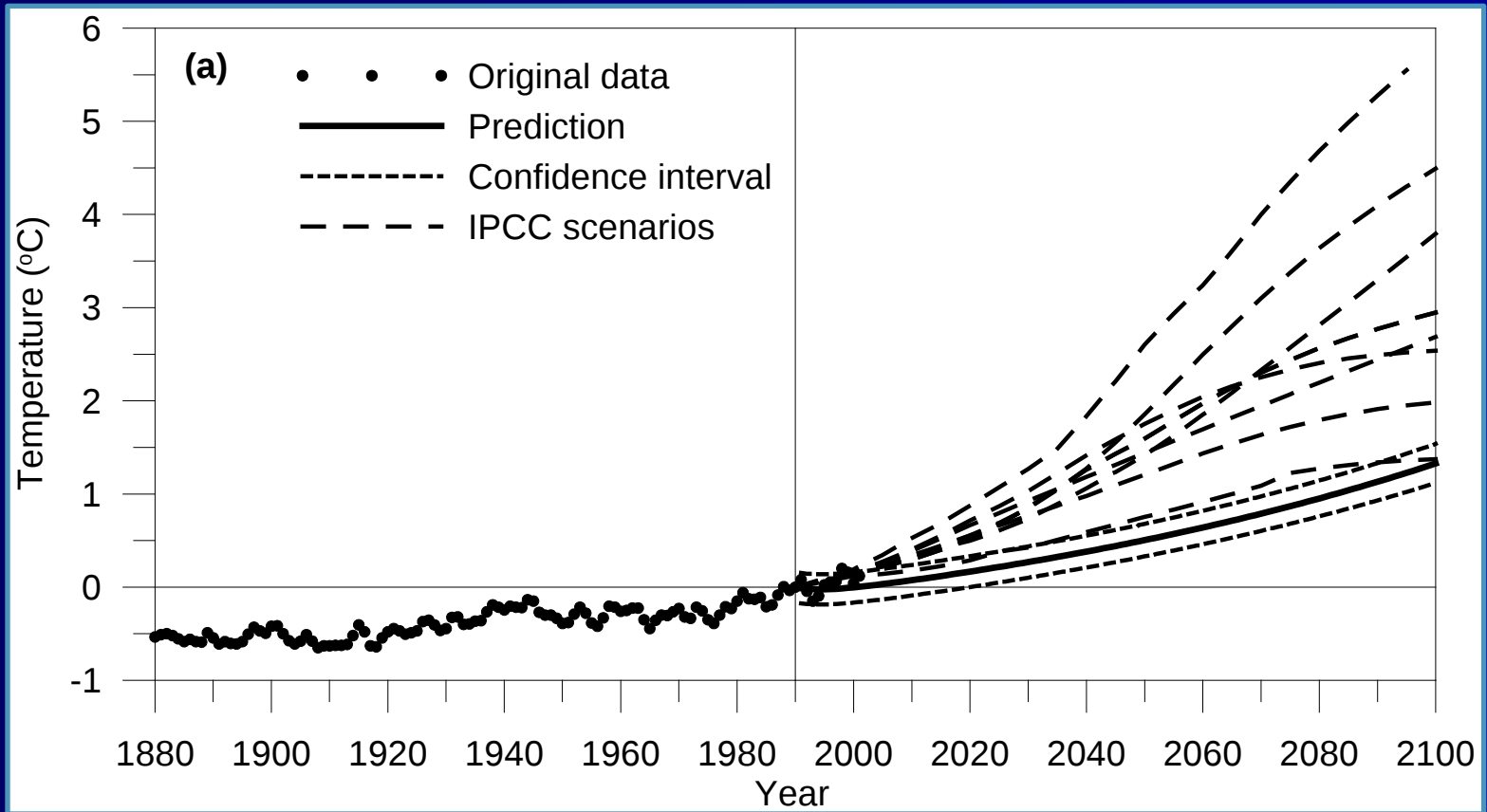


Sea-Level (1950-2001): (90%) Conf. Int.



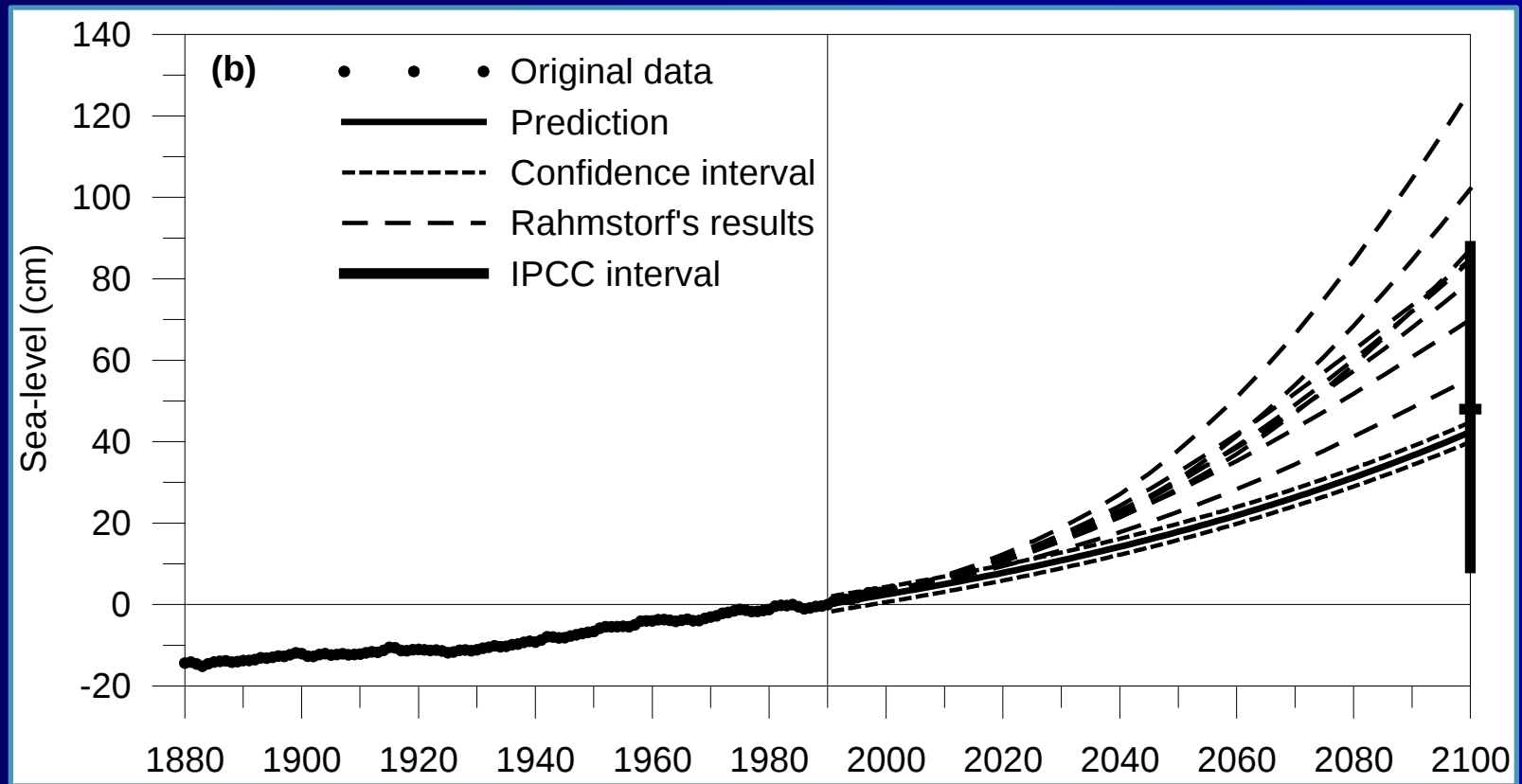
Temperature (1990-2100)

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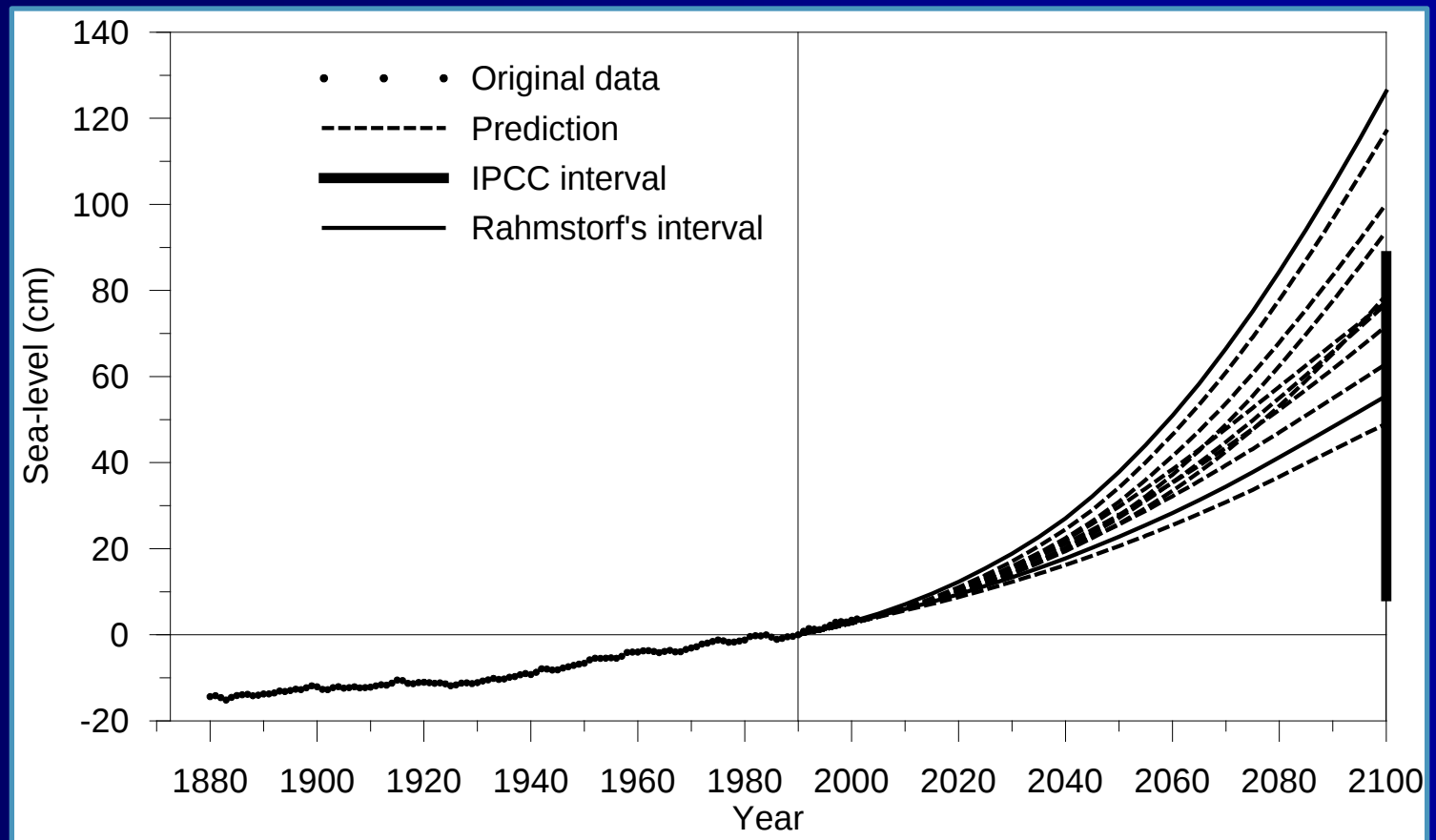
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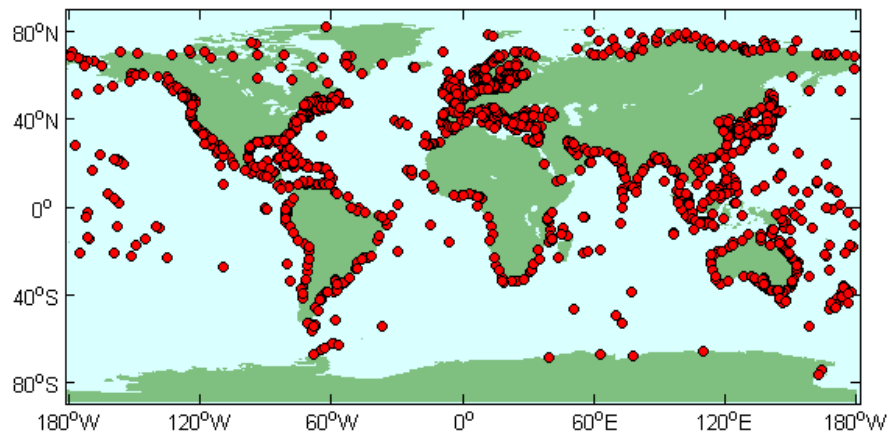
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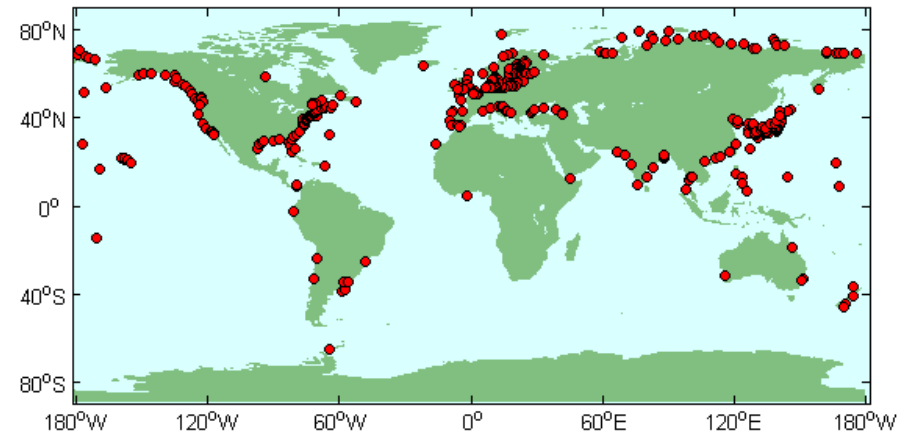


Sea level records—tide gauges

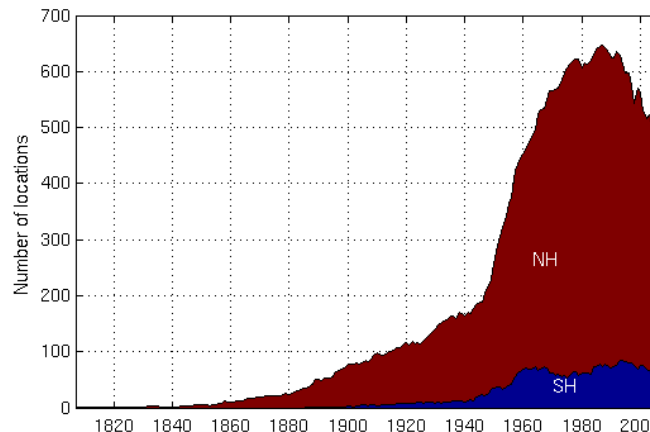
- Permanent Service for Mean Sea Level (PSMSL)



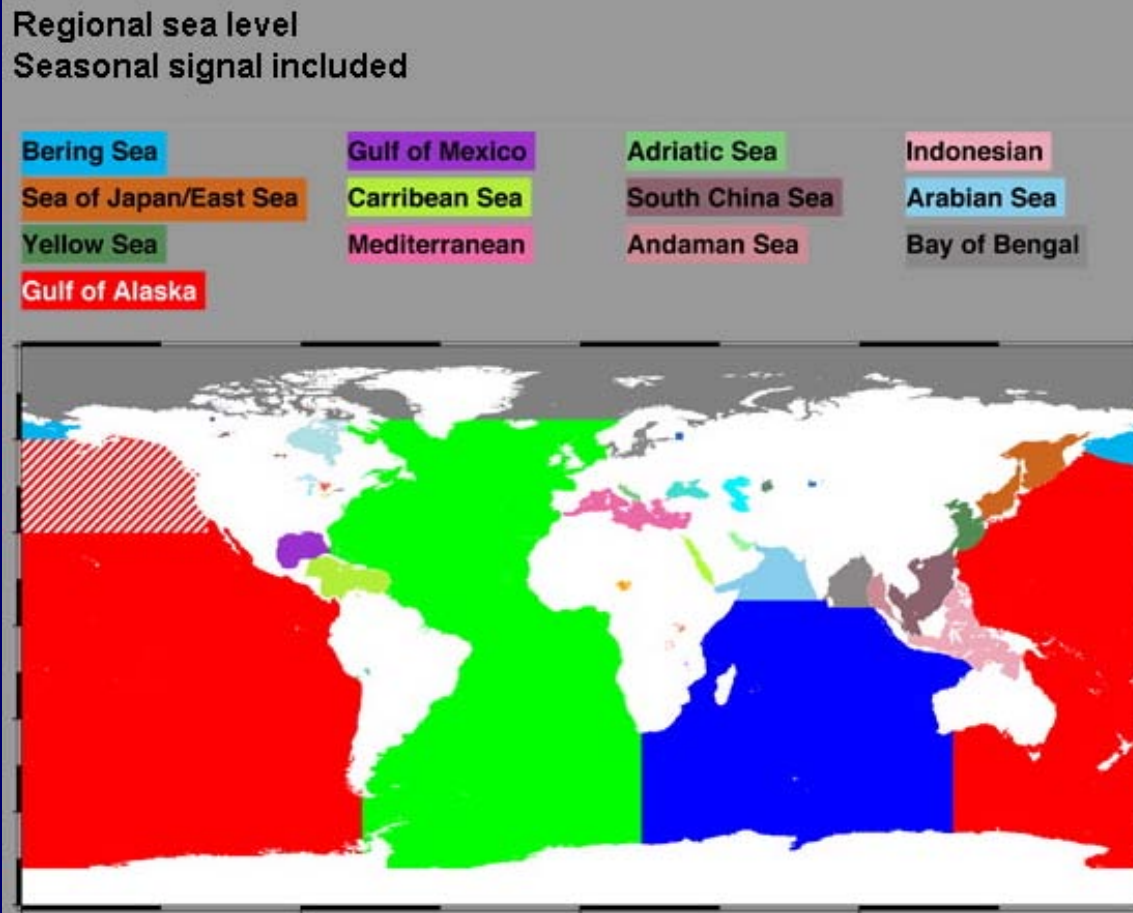
Distribution of PSMSL stations



PSMSL stations with at least 40 years of RLR data



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Spatial Analysis & Forcing Function(s):

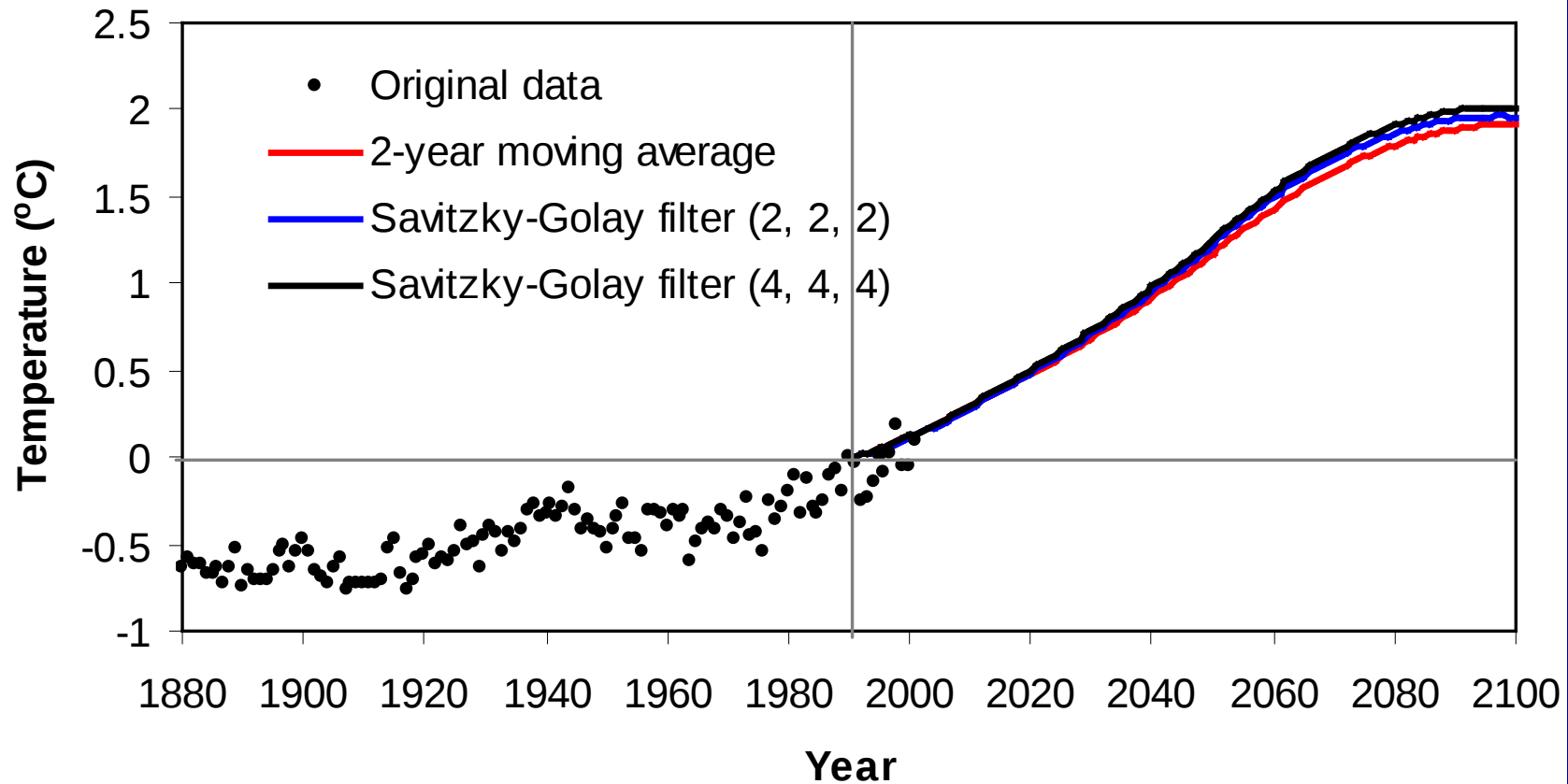
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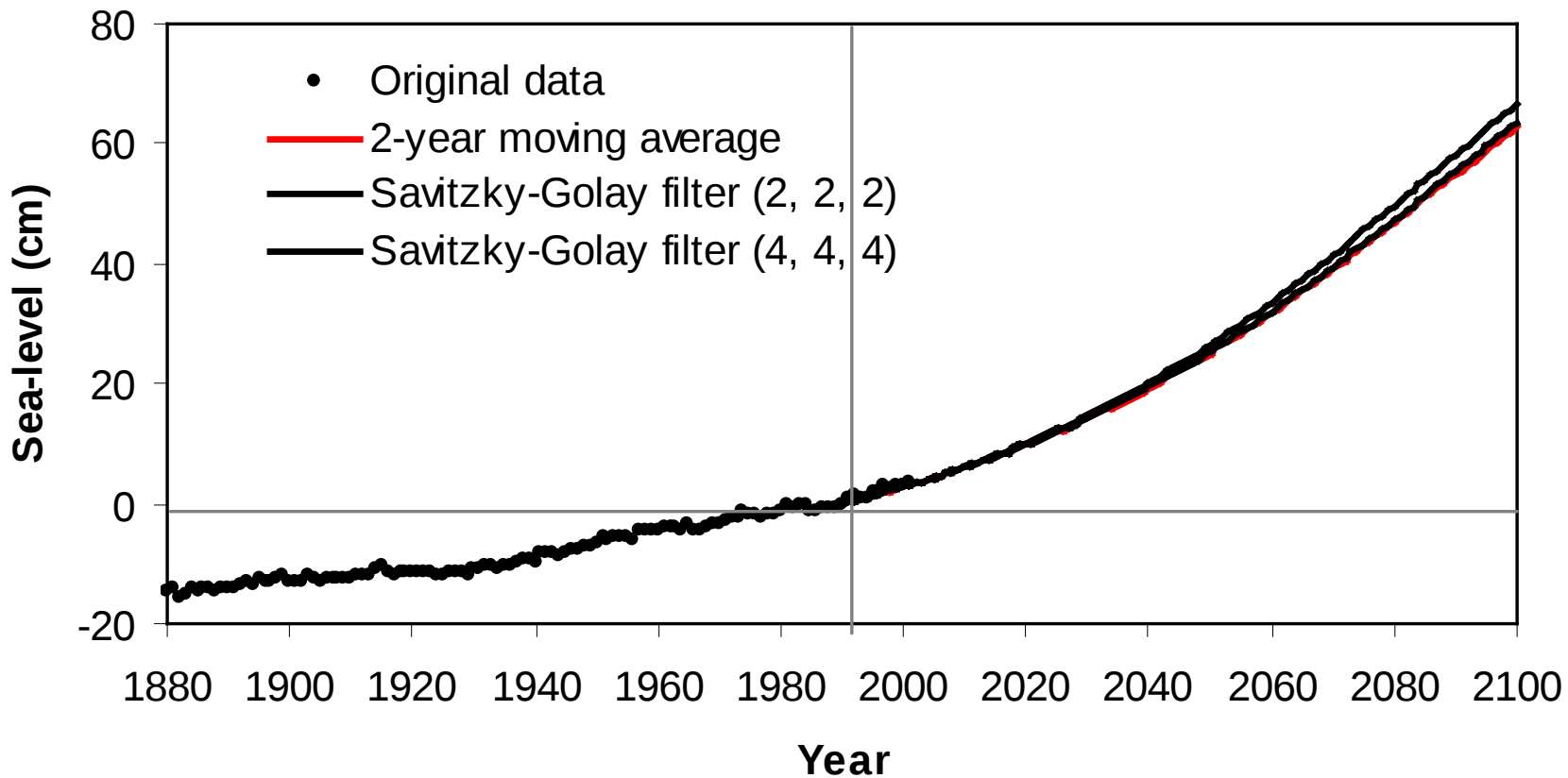
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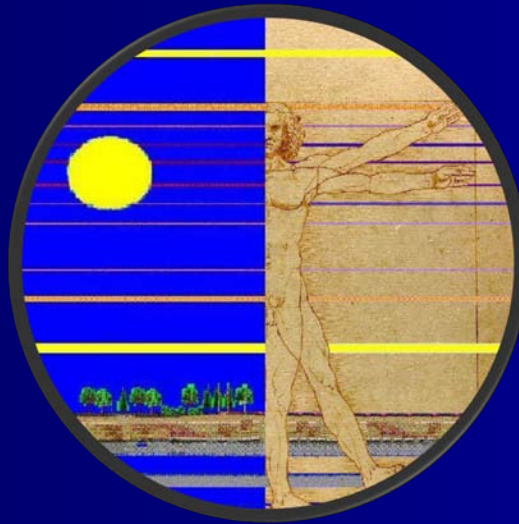


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