

# On the **initial cause** of land surface temperature anomaly in Tibetan Plateau and **an** **Arctic-Tibetan connection**

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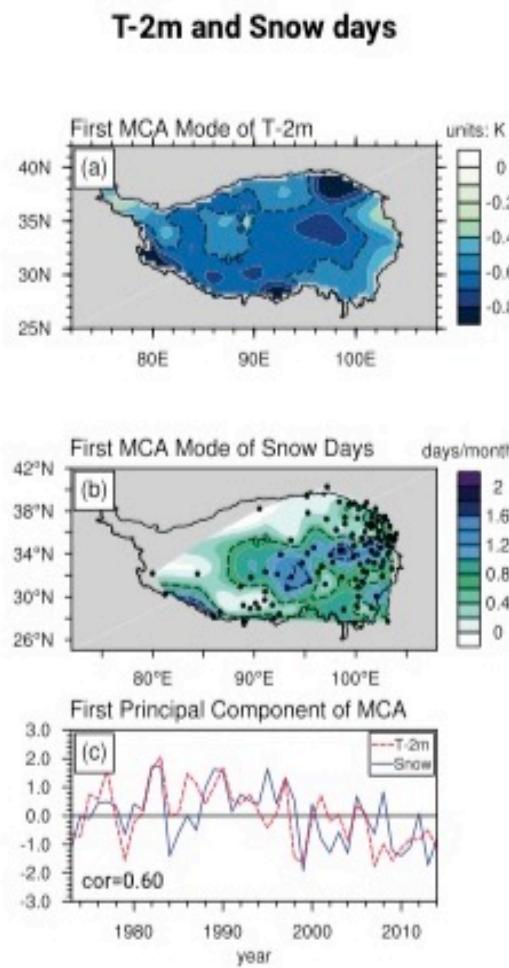
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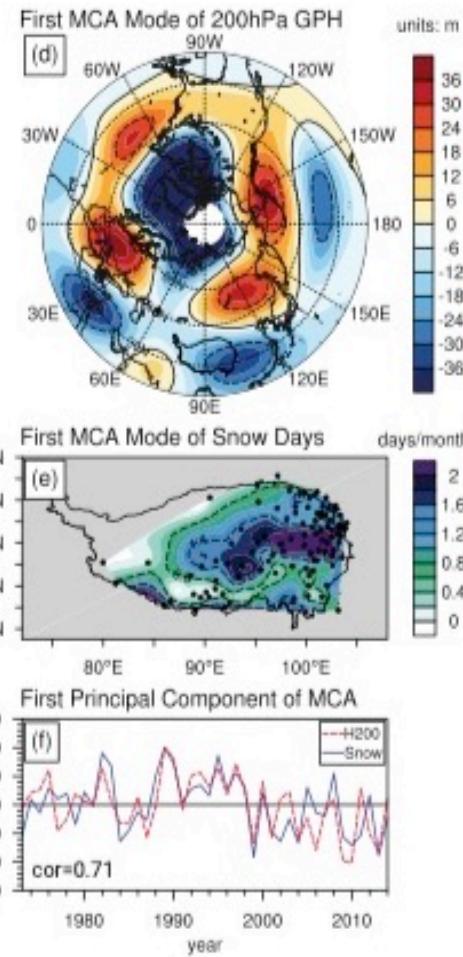
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# Results of MCA analysis

Spring (AM)  
land  
surface  
temp  
and  
Snow cover  
days in  
FMA

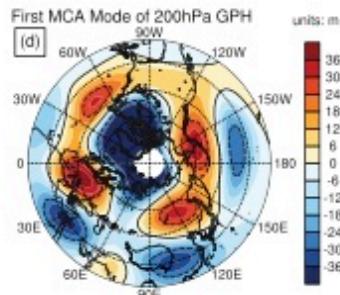


## Z200 and Snow Days

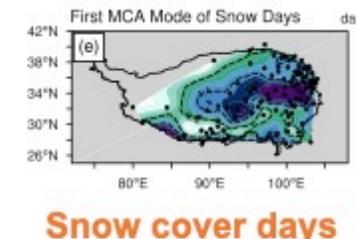
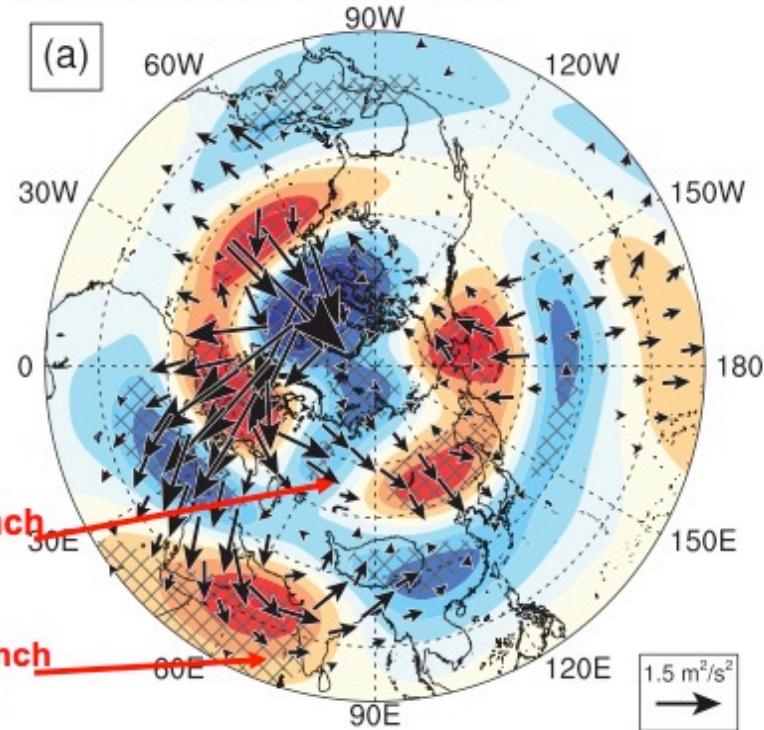


Winter  
(Feb)  
circulation  
and  
Snow  
cover days  
in FMA

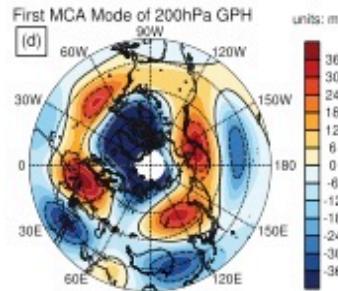
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Feb. 300hPa WAF for MCA Mode



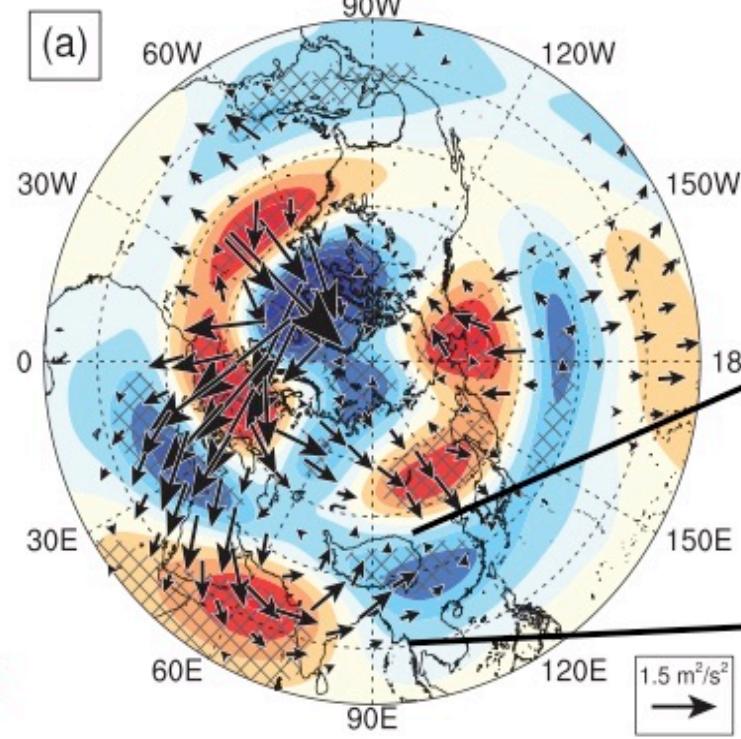
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Winter circulation

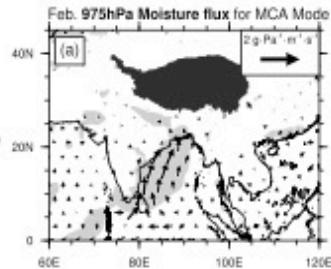
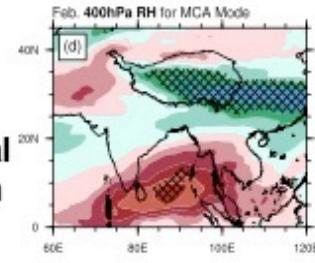
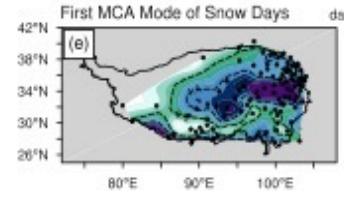
**Wave trains from Arctic can reach Tibet via northern and southern pathways, bringing dynamic and moisture conditions for snow fall**

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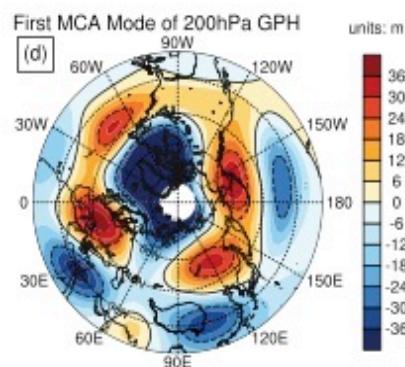


Dynamical condition

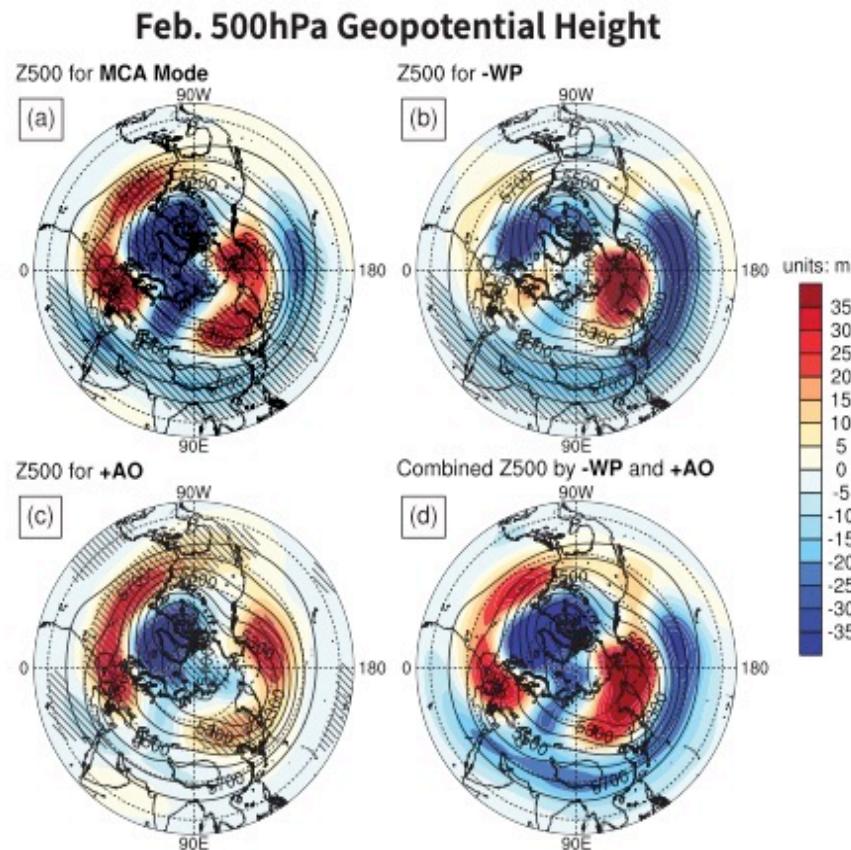
Moisture supply



## Mechanism (II) : A combined AO & WP mode

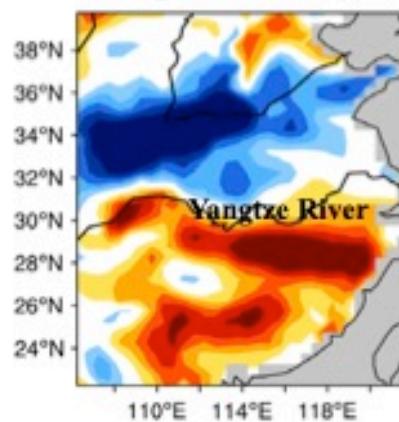
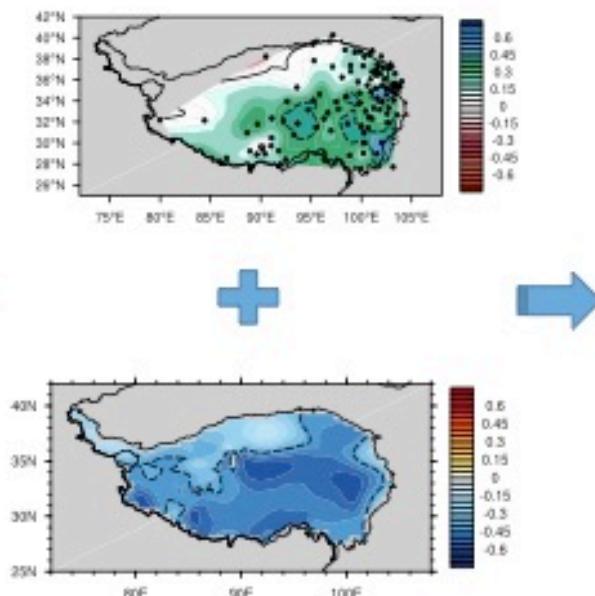
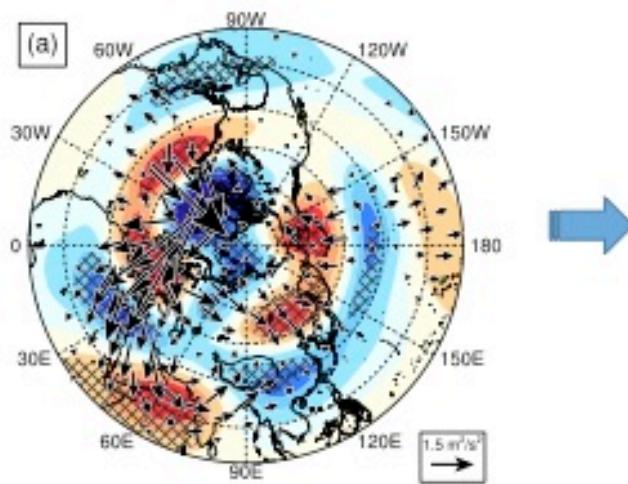


Regressed pattern at Z500



When the circulation in a combined mode of AO(+) and WP (-), an Arctic-Tibetan connection is built up

# A possible source of cross-seasonal predictability?



An Arctic-Tibetan connection  
in Winter circulation

**"Tibet memory"** by  
Late winter snow fall  
Spring soil temperature

**Summer rain fall**  
anomaly in East China