# Perturbed parameter experiments with CESM2

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### CESM2 on a shoestring budget

10x10 degree land/atmosphere CAM6, CLM5

Slab ocean model

40 years per day on 24 CPUs [100 times faster than FV1]

Preliminary ensemble - 60x20 year simulations@NERSC

### Sampling the CAM6 parameter space

- Latin hypercube sample of 37 parameters in:
- MG2 microphysics
- MAM4 aerosol scheme
- CLUBB moist turbulence and cloud macrophysics

## CO2 quadrupling experiments



 crashed)
Slab equilibration drift removed

33 simulations

were successful (27

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Climate sensitivity range

 CESM2 Climate sensitivity ranges from 1.5 to 5.9K, depending on parameter selection



### Parameter correlations

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### Regression model

- Sensitivity can be modeled as a function of 5 leading parameters
- Likelihood distribution for S between 1.6K and 4.2K implied, with uniform parameter prior



#### Next steps

Second iteration of low-res ensemble: limited parameters, fully equilibrated slab

Targeted 2 degree test cases to test consistency of climate sensitivity at low and high resolution

COSP/Cloud feedback analysis to provide mechanistic understanding of sensitivity relationship and model adequacy