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## Rapid communication: Nonlinear sensitivity of the El Niño–Southern Oscillation across climate states

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5 **Table S1.** Values for the nonlinear Bjerknes feedback (a) and convective feedback (l) computed using the pre-industrial control simulation of each model. Values for change in ni  o3 index (N3 in %) and convection-centers index (D in degrees) for each simulation. MH: mid-Holocene, LIG: last interglacial; LGM: last glacial maximum; MP: mid-Pliocene; 4xCO<sub>2</sub>: abrupt-4xCO<sub>2</sub>; SSP585-23 and SSP126-23. Models in bold have met the convective feedback selection criteria (convective feedback greater than 2). ITCZ and SPCZ columns indicate the true position in the pre-industrial control simulation (PI). *a* indicates the nonlinear coefficient of the relationship between the first two principal components of SSTa anomalies in the tropical Pacific. Asterisk indicates models that meet the nonlinear Bjerknes feedback criteria (*a* > 0.16).

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	<b>PI</b>	<b>MH</b>	<b>LIG</b>	<b>LGM</b>	<b>MP</b>	<b>4xCO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>SSP585-23</b>	<b>SSP126-23</b>
	<i>a / l</i>	N3 / D	N3 / D	N3 / D	N3 / D	N3 / D	N3 / D	N3 / D
<b>ACCESS-CM2</b>	-0.07 / 4.9	X	X	X	X	10 / -3.08	-59 / -7.87	11 / -0.66
<b>ACCESS-ESM1-5</b>	-0.02 / 3.2	-10 / 1.5	-16 / 1.2	X	X	25 / -3.2	-33 / -10.6	-8 / -0.72
<b>CAMS-CSM1-0*</b>	-0.26 / 2.1	X	X	X	X	1.3 / -1.51	X	X
<b>CanESM5</b>	0.07 / 2.2	X	X	X	X	26.5 / -4	-55 / -9.6	13 / -0.8
<b>CCSM4</b>	x / 3.4	X	X	X		-43 / 0.46	X	X
<b>CCSM4-UTRECHT*</b>	-0.5 / 2	X	X	X		-64 / 2.24	X	X
<b>CESM2*</b>	-0.18 / 2.8	-11 / 0.7	-20 / 1.5	X	-13 / -1.9	-67 / -12.15	X	X
<b>CESM2-FV2*</b>	-0.33 / 2.8	X	X	X	X	-6 / -8.51	X	X
<b>CESM2-WACCM</b>	-0.03 / 2.1	X	X	X	X	2 / -7.49	-68 / -12.7	10 / -4.5
<b>CESM2-WACCM-FV2*</b>	-0.69 / 3	X	X	-43 / 2.2	X	-26 / -8.39	X	X
<b>CIESM</b>	-0.19 / 2.2	X	X	X	X	-16 / -4.4	X	X
<b>CMCC-CM2-SR5*</b>	-0.54 / 1.9	X	X	X	X	27 / -2.86	X	X
<b>CMCC-ESM2*</b>	-0.63 / 2.1	X	X	X	X	26 / -2.7	X	X
<b>CNRM-CM6-1-HR</b>	-0.09 / 2.6	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>CNRM-CM6-1</b>	-0.05 / 2	X	-21 / 0.9	X	X	12 / -2.84	X	X
<b>CNRM-ESM2-1</b>	-0.09 / 2.3	X	X	X	X	12 / -2.66	X	X
<b>EC-EARTH3*</b>	-0.16 / 2.2	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>EC-EARTH3-CC</b>	-0.09 / 2.1	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>EC-EARTH3-LR</b>	-0.01 / 2.3	-3 / 0.1	-13 / 0.9	X	-34 / 1.66	X	X	X
<b>FGOALS-f3-L*</b>	-0.64 / 3.4	-3 / 0.34	-25 / 1.07	X	X	3 / -5	X	X
<b>FGOALS-g3</b>	-0.04 / 2.7	-25 / 0.52	-24 / 0.9	X	X	X	X	X
<b>GISS-E2-1-G*</b>	-0.73 / 5	4 / 0.17	-9 / 0.65	X	X	-12 / -2.58	X	-5
<b>GISS-E2-2-G*</b>	-0.46 / 3.2	X	X	X	4.3 / 0.09	-17 / -1.37	X	X
<b>HadGEM3-GC31-LL</b>	-0.12 / 2.6	19 / 1.1	X	X	X	24 / -2	X	X
<b>HadGEM3-GC31-MM*</b>	-0.2 / 3.3	X	X	X	X	2 / -3.07	X	X
<b>IITM-ESM*</b>	-0.2 / 3.8	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>INM-CM4-8</b>	0.04 / 3	13.7 / 1.14	X	33.7 / -2.73	X	-4 / -0.82	X	X

<b>INM-CM5-0</b>	0.08 / 2.9	X	X	X	X	-6 / -0.93	X	X
<b>KIEST-ESM*</b>	-0.36 / 3	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>MIROC-ES2L*</b>	-0.57 / 2	-35 / 1.21	-53.6 / 1.27	-5.3 / -0.06	X	39 / -4.48	-13 / -8.5	X
<b>MRI-ESM2-0*</b>	-0.42 / 3.7	-24.8 / 1.05	X	X	-28.1 / 0.69	22 / -3.43	5 / -5.2	11 / -2
<b>Nor-ESM1-F</b>	-0.07 / 5.1	-6.6 / -0.56	-21 / 0.7	X	-33.2 / 0.33	X	X	X
<b>UKESM1-0-LL</b>	-0.04 / 2.1	X	X	X	X	-1 / -2.59	X	X
<b>BCC-CM2-MR</b>	-0.02 / 1.4	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>BCC-ESM1</b>	-0.07 / 1.5	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>CCSM4-UofT</b>	0 / 1.3	X	X	X	-29 / -0.7	X	X	X
<b>COSMOS</b>	-0.11 / 0.4	X	X	X	-3.2 / -0.92	X	X	X
<b>CanESM5-CanOE</b>	-0.12 / 1.9	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>E3SM-1-0</b>	0.07 / 1.5	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>E3SM-1-1-ECA</b>	-0.02 / -	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>E3SM-1-1</b>	0.06 / 1.4	X	X		X	X	X	X
<b>EC-EARTH3-AerChem</b>	X / 1.8	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>EC-EARTH3-Veg-LR</b>	X / 0.7	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>EC-EARTH3-Veg</b>	-0.08 / 1.8	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>FIO-ESM-2-0*</b>	-0.33 / X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>GFDL-CM4</b>	-0.02 / X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>GFDL-ESM4*</b>	-0.16 / X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>GISS-E2-1-H*</b>	-0.32 / 1.7	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>GISS-E2-2-H</b>	-0.11 / 1.2	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>HadCM3</b>	-0.06 / X	X	X	X	-41.7 / 1.89	X	X	X
<b>IPSL-CM5A2</b>	-0.06 / 1.2	X	X	X	-18.2 / 0.03	X	X	X
<b>IPSL-CM5A</b>	-0.05 / 1.4	X	X	X	-15.1 / -0.04	X	X	X
<b>IPSL-CM6A-LR</b>		-4.8 / 0.78	-8.5 / 0.49		-12.2 / 0.3	X	-25 / -5.4	15 / -0.1
<b>NorESM1-L</b>	-0.06 / 1.5	X	X	X	-29.4 / 0.24	X	X	X
<b>NorESM2-LM*</b>	-0.23 / 1.5	-23.3 / 1.22	-1.1 / 2.71	X	X	X	X	X