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Figure 2: Climate variables with the highest λ_1/λ_2 ratio based on CCA in modern vegetation (a), on RDA between reconstructed climate and fossil vegetation (b) and simulated climate and fossil vegetation (c). Black circles mark grid cells where the most prominent gradient ratio is still below 1.



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Table 1: Bioclimatic	tempera	ature 1	imits fo	or the	PFTs	s in t	he co	oupled	mode	el sin	ulation.	Grow	ing d	egree	days
(GDD5) ar	e given ϵ	as the	temper	ature	sum o	of day	s wh	ich ex	ceed 5	5°С.	Adapted	from	Dallm	eyer e	et al.
(2011).															

PFT	landcover/phenology	MTCO _{min} [°C]	MTCO _{max} [°C]	MTWA _{max} [°C]	GDD5 [°C]
\mathbf{teT}	tropical evergreen trees	15.5	_	_	0
\mathbf{tdT}	tropical deciduous trees	15.5	_	_	0
eteT	extratropical evergreen trees	-32.5	18.5	_	350
\mathbf{etdT}	extratropical deciduous trees	_	18.5	_	350
\mathbf{rS}	raingreen shrubs	0	_	_	900
\mathbf{cS}	cold shrubs	_	-2	18	300
$\mathbf{C3}$	C3 grass	_	15	_	0
$\mathbf{C4}$	C4 grass	10	_	_	0