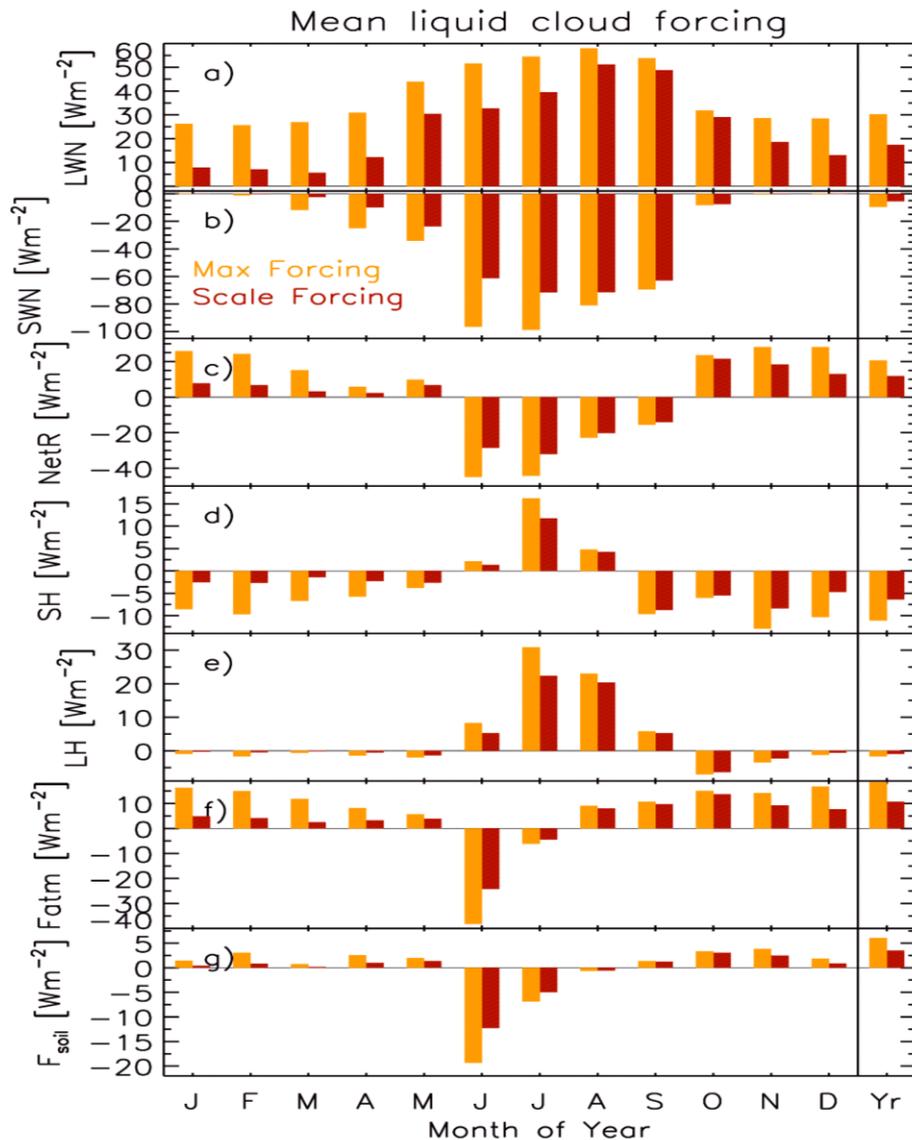


# Liquid Cloud Forcing of NSA Surface Fluxes

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LCF = Liquid Cloud Forcing

$$\text{LCF}_{\text{max}} = (F_{\text{liq}} - F_{\text{noliq}})$$

$$\text{LCF}_{\text{net}} = \text{LCF}_{\text{max}} * \text{Liq\_fraction}$$

- $\text{LCF}_{\text{LWN}}$  peaks in fall due to occurrence of liquid clouds
- $\text{LCF}_{\text{SWN}}$  peaks in summer due to snowmelt & sun cycle
- $\text{LCF}_{\text{RAD}}$  negative for 4 mon
- $\text{LCF}_{\text{TURB}}$  largely counteracts radiative forcing
- $\text{LCF}_{\text{ATM}}$  negative only in June/July
- $\text{LCF}_{\text{SOIL}}$  follows  $\text{LCF}_{\text{ATM}}$
- Liquid slows summer soil warming and winter soil cooling. Snow matters!