Assessing transient changes in the ocean carbon cycle during the last deglaciation through carbon isotope modeling

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Abstract.

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Atmospheric carbon dioxide concentration (pCQ₂) has increased by approximately 80 ppm from the Last Glacial Maximum (LGM) to the late Holocene (last deglaciation). The change in this atmospheric greenhouse gas is recognized as a climate system response to gradual change in insolation. Previous modeling studies suggested that the deglacial increase in atmospheric pCQ₂ is primarily attributed to the release of CQ₂ from the ocean. Additionally, it has been suggested that abrupt change in the Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation (AMOC) and associated interhemispheric climate changes are involved in the release of CQ₂. However, understanding remains limited regarding oceanic circulation changes, and the factors responsible for changes in chemical tracers in the ocean of the last deglaciation and their impact on atmospheric pCQ₂. We conducted a transient numerical experiment on In this study, we investigated the evolution of the ocean carbon cycle during the last deglaciation. We used a (21 to 11 ka BP) using three-dimensional ocean field from a transient climate model MIROC4m fields from the transient simulation of the last deglaciation as input to an ocean biogeochemical MIROC 4m climate model, which allowed us to evaluate the effects of the gradual warming and the abrupt climate changes associated with the Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation during the last deglaciation.

During exhibits abrupt AMOC changes similar to those observed in reconstructions. We validate the simulated ocean carbon cycle changes, and examine possible biases and missing or underestimated processes in the model by comparing simulated carbon isotope ratios with sediment core data. Qualitatively, the modeled changes in atmospheric pCO_2 are consistent with ice core records. For example, during Heinrich Stadial 1 (HS1), the atmospheric partial pressure of carbon dioxide (atmospheric pCO_2) increased as a result of rising sea surface temperature. Subsequently, increases by 10.2 ppm, followed by reduction of 7.0 ppm during the Bølling–Allerød period, characterized by a rapid strengthening of the Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation (AMOC), atmospheric pCO_2 showed a decreasing trend. Our decomposition analysis indicates that the declining atmospheric pCO_2 in response to the enhanced AMOC during the BA period were primarily driven by an increase in ocean surface alkalinity, although this effect was partially offset by changes in sea surface temperature.

Meantime, we found that our model generally underestimated (BA) period, and then increase of 6.8 ppm during the Younger Dryas (YD) period. However, the model underestimates the changes in atmospheric $p\mathrm{CO}_2$ changes compared to the during these events compared to values derived from ice core data. To understand this, we conducted an analysis of ocean circulation and water masses using radiocarbon and stable carbon Radiocarbon and stable isotope signatures ($\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ and $\delta^{13}\mathrm{C}$). We found that the overall changes in the deep water $\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ in response to the AMOC change are quantitatively consistent with

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the sediment core data. However, the model underestimates the increased ventilation in the deep ocean and the indicate that the model underestimates both the activated deep ocean ventilation and reduced efficiency of biological carbon export in the Southern Oceanduring mid-HS1 compared to estimates derived from sediment core data. In addition, the model underestimates and the active ventilation in the North Pacific Intermediate Water during mid-HS1, as suggested by sediment core data. These underestimations in the activation of the deep ocean circulation and the limitation of biological productivity could be the primary reasons why our model exhibits smaller atmospheric pCO₂ changes than ice core data.

Our decomposition analysis, which estimates the quantitative contribution to the oceanic pCO_2 , suggests that changes in alkalinity have played a central role in driving variations and trends in atmospherie HS1. The relatively small changes in simulated atmospheric pCO_2 as during HS1 might be attributable to these underestimations of ocean circulation variation. The changes in $\Delta^{14}C$ associated with strengthening and weakening of the AMOC during the BA and YD periods are generally consistent with values derived from sediment core records. However, although the data indicate continuous increase in $\delta^{13}C$ in the deep ocean circulation changes. This finding may provide valuable insights into the model-dependent response of the ocean carbon cycle to changes in the AMOC, as several previous studies have emphasized the importance of throughout the YD period, the model shows the opposite trend. It suggests that the model either simulates excessive weakening of the AMOC during the YD period, or has limited representation of geochemical processes, including marine ecosystem response and terrestrial carbon storage. Decomposing the factors behind the changes in ocean pCO_2 reveals that variations in temperature and alkalinity have the AMOC in influencing changes greatest impact on change in atmospheric pCO_2 . Compensation for the effects of temperature and alkalinity suggests that the AMOC changes and the associated bipolar climate changes contribute to the slight decrease (increase) in atmospheric pCO_2 , but the magnitude and direction of these changes have varied widely between studies during the BA (YD) period.

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1 Introduction

The Earth'Earth's climate has transitioned from the cold climatic shifted from the colder conditions of the Last Glacial Maximum (LGM), which is approximately 21,000 years ago, to the warmer conditions of the Holocene. This climatic transition, known as the last deglaciation, was accompanied by an increase in the atmospheric partial pressure occurred approximately 21 to 11 ka BP (thousand years before present). During this period, the atmospheric concentration of carbon dioxide (pCO₂) of nearly 90 increased by almost 80 ppm (Barnola et al., 1987; Petit et al., 1999; Siegenthaler et al., 2005; Jouzel et al., 2007; Lüthi et al., 2008). The changes in the carbon cycle leading to changes that affect the variation in atmospheric pCO₂ are thought to be closely linked to the climate changes that occurred during the deglaciation periodclosely related to the changes in climate observed during the last deglaciation.

In attempting to elucidate the mechanisms of climate change on the glacial-interglacial scale, previous modeling studies mainly focused on assessing the steady-state difference between the LGM and the preindustrial period. With the development of computational tools, transient climate modeling of the last glacial termination has recently been conducted, using temporal changes in insolation, greenhouse gas concentrations derived from ice core records, and meltwater fluxes from ice sheets (Lunt et al., 2006; Timm and Timmermann, 2007; Liu et al., 2009; He et al., 2013; Ganopolski and Roche, 2009; Menviel et al., 2011; Iva . Transient climate modeling has distinct advantages because it avoids unrealistic equilibrium assumptions and it includes climate responses to internal variability or abrupt change. It also facilitates direct comparison between models and proxies, thereby allowing identification of temporal leads or lags in the process with respect to forcing. In these transient climate modeling studies, changes in atmospheric pCO₂, a greenhouse gas, are applied as external forcing. However, understanding the feedback between the climate and the carbon cycle is critical for understanding the long-term changes in climate dynamics. As fundamental research guided by this perspective, earlier modeling studies examined the temporal changes in the ocean carbon cycle during the last deglaciation or late Pleistocene, including glacial-interglacial cycles, using Earth System Models of Intermediate Complexity, e.g., CLIMBER-2 (Bouttes et al., 2012; Broykin et al., 2012; Mariotti et al., 2016; Ganopolski and Broykin, 20 , Bern 3D (Tschumi et al., 2011; Menviel et al., 2012; Pöppelmeier et al., 2023) and LOVECLIM (Menviel et al., 2018; Stein et al., 2020) . Generally, the increase in sea surface temperature (SST) and the reduction in the expansion of carbon-rich Antarctic Bottom Water (AABW), together with changes in the characteristics of the biological carbon pump and carbonate chemistry, are

considered key processes that contributed to the increase in atmospheric pCO₂ during the last deglaciation (Broykin et al., 2012; Menviel et

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The concentrations Those earlier studies greatly advanced our understanding of changes in both the climate and the carbon cycle on scales of thousands to tens of thousands of years. However, the mechanisms behind the observed increase in atmospheric pCO_2 during the glacial termination are not fully understood. It has been suggested that release of carbon from the deep Southern Ocean to the atmosphere might have played a role in the rapid increase in atmospheric pCO_2 during the last deglaciation (Tschumi et al., 2011; Bouttes et al., 2012a; Mariotti et al., 2016; Menviel et al., 2018; Stein et al., 2020; Sigman et al., 2021; The release of CO_2 can be triggered by disruption of the stratification in the Southern Ocean and change in the deep ocean circulation, which can be affected by westerly winds in the Southern Hemisphere, freshwater input from the Antarctic ice sheet, and brine rejection around Antarctica. It has also been suggested that variation in North Pacific Intermediate Water (NPIW), associated with changes in the Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation (AMOC), might have contributed to the observed increase in atmospheric pCO_2 (Okazaki et al., 2010; Menviel et al., 2014).

To clarify the mechanisms behind long-term changes in ocean dynamics, the concentration or isotopic composition of elements in seawater can provide information on the processes responsible for their distribution. Therefore Thus, analysis of geochemical proxies in paleoclimatological archives can help oceanographers gain insight into past ocean variability and its underlying mechanisms.

Stable and radioactive carbon isotopes of dissolved inorganic carbon (DIC) in seawater are representative chemical tracers in the oceanoceanic chemical tracers. In seawater, carbon of lighter isotopes is preferentially absorbed during photosynthesis, leading to its accumulation lighter carbon isotopes are preferentially taken up by phytoplankton during photosynthesis and

they accumulate in the deep ocean as organic matter undergoes degradation is degraded (O'Leary, 1981; Broecker and Maier-Reimer, 1992; Schmittner et al., 2013). Therefore, Anomalies in the stable carbon isotopic isotope signature (δ¹³C) produced
by the biological carbon pump spread globally in association with the deep ocean circulation. Therefore, the δ¹³C value differs among water masses within the ocean interior. Radiocarbon (¹⁴C) is introduced into seawater through gas exchange at the ocean surfaceand, and it subsequently decreases in concentration as a result of the through radioactive decay of ¹⁴C. Therefore, the radiocarbon isotopic isotope signature (Δ¹⁴C) serves as an indicator of the deep water flow rate (Stuiver et al., 1983). Recent efforts to compile sediment core records have provided valuable insights into the temporal evolution of the
basin-scale distributions of

Previous modeling studies examined the processes responsible for glacial–interglacial changes in the distribution of δ^{13} C and Δ^{14} C (Zhao et al., 2018; Rafter et al., 2022) and (Kurahashi-Nakamura et al., 2017; Menviel et al., 2017; Muglia et al., 2018; Wilmes et al., It is generally assumed that deep water originating from the Southern Ocean with low δ^{13} C (Muglia et al., 2023) during the last deglaciation and Δ^{14} C expanded into the deep Atlantic Ocean during the LGM. It is proposed that the carbon isotope distribution during the LGM can be better explained by considering an effective biological pump associated with iron fertilization in the Southern Ocean and a shallower AMOC (Kobayashi et al., 2021).

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Other proxies used to inter infer past water mass distribution and deep circulation include neodymium isotope ratios ocean circulation include the neodymium isotope ratio (\$\varepsilon \text{Nd}\$) and the protactinium—thorium ratios ratio (\$\varepsilon \text{231} \text{Pa}/\text{230} \text{Th}). Neodymium isotope ratios The \$\varepsilon \text{Nd}\$ ratio can be used as a proxy for basin-scale water mass structure because the end members endmembers differ in each deep water formation region (Howe et al., 2016). Sedimentary water mass source region (Lippold et al., 2012; Howe et al., 20 \text{. The sedimentary }^{231} \text{Pa}/\text{230} \text{Th ratios, employed ratio, used as a proxy for changes in flow rates, suggest change in flow rate, suggests that the strength of the Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation (AMOC) may AMOC might have changed markedly during the last deglaciation (McManus et al., 2004; Ng et al., 2018). Changes in the AMOC can influence the climatic state by affecting both altering not only the meridional interhemispheric heat transportand, but also the ocean carbon cycle, which in turn regulates and associated changes in atmospheric \$pCO_2\$ (Schmittner and Galbraith, 2008; Menviel et al., 2008; Bouttes et al., 2012b). Nevertheless, there is an ongoing debate about ongoing debate regarding the magnitude and direction of changes the direction of the change in atmospheric \$pCO_2\$ associated with AMOC variations variation (Gottschalk et al., 2019).

Previous modeling studies examined those processes responsible for Several earlier modeling studies attempted to estimate
 AMOC variation by examining changes in the distribution of carbon isotope signature (Schmittner and Lund, 2015; Pöppelmeier et al., 202 . By estimating the AMOC that best fits the model and the data for δ¹³C and Δ¹⁴C in glacial oceans (Kurahashi-Nakamura et al., 2017; Mer . Changes in the efficiency of biological carbon pumps and the deep ocean circulation are recognized as key factors contributing to variations in carbon isotope signatures. However, it is worth noting that previous modeling studies have been somewhat limited in scope, focusing primarily on assessing steady-state differences between the LGM and the preindustrial period.
 Clarifying the factors behind changes in the distribution of chemical tracers during the glacial termination will improve (Schmittner and Lund, 2015) or δ¹³C and multiple chemical tracers in seawater (Pöppelmeier et al., 2023), those studies improved our understanding of the variability of the ocean carbon cycle and climate during this period.

Transient climate model simulations for the last deglaciation period have been conducted, considering prescribed temporal changes in insolation, greenhouse gas concentrations derived from ice core records, and meltwater fluxes from ice sheets (Lunt et al., 2006; Timm and Timmermann, 2007; Liu et al., 2009; He et al., 2013; Ganopolski and Roche, 2009; Menviel et al., 2011; Iva 130 . The temporal evolution of relationship between changes in the AMOC and the ocean carbon cycle during the last deglaciationhas been examined using Earth System Models of Intermediate Complexity (EMIC), e.g., CLIMBER-2 (Bouttes et al., 2012a; Brovkin et al., 20 , Bern 3D (Tschumi et al., 2011; Menviel et al., 2012; Pöppelmeier et al., 2023) and LOVECLIM (Menviel et al., 2018; Stein et al., 2020) . Other related studies have attempted to estimate variations in the AMOC with respect to meltwater input to the oceans 135 by analyzing changes in carbon isotopic signatures (Schmittner and Lund, 2015; Gu et al., 2021; Pöppelmeier et al., 2023). Generally, the increase in sea surface temperature (SST) and the reduction in the expansion of carbon-rich Antarctic Bottom Water (AABW), along with changes in the characteristics of biological carbon pumps and carbonate chemistry, are considered key processes that contributed to the increase in atmospheric pCO₂ during early deglaciation. In recent years, compilation of many sediment core records covering the last deglaciation (Brovkin et al., 2012; Menviel et al., 2012). Several related studies have suggested that the release of carbon from the deep Southern Ocean to the atmosphere, induced by disruption of the stratification in the Southern Ocean and changes in deep ocean circulation driven by westerly winds in the Southern Hemisphere, freshwater input from the Antarctic ice sheet, and brine rejection around Antarctica, may have been a potential driver of the rapid increase in atmospheric pCO₂ during the last deglaciation (Tschumi et al., 2011; Bouttes et al., 2012a; Mariotti et al., 2016; Menviel . It is also suggested that variation of the North Pacific Intermediate Water (NPIW), associated with changes in the circulation of the Atlantic Ocean, may have contributed to the increase in atmospheric pCO₂ (Okazaki et al., 2010; Menviel et al., 2014). Some of these EMIC studies have discussed the mechanisms of has deepened our understanding of the spatiotemporal changes in carbon isotope ratios during this period (Zhao et al., 2018; Rafter et al., 2022; Muglia et al., 2023; Skinner et al., 2023). By comparing the compiled data with model output, it has been possible to gain valuable insights into deglacial changes in the ocean carbon cycleby conducting model—data comparisons of carbon isotope signatures. However, these discussions are limited to the vertical one-dimensional distribution of these signatures.

To investigate the causes of changes in carbon isotope signatures, this study conducted a transient model experiment In this study, we conducted transient model experiments of the ocean carbon cycle and compared the model results with a recently compiled sediment core recordrecords to investigate the mechanisms of deglacial changes in carbon isotope signatures. Additionally, the factors responsible for we analyzed the drivers of the changes in atmospheric pCO_2 resulting from variation in ocean carbon storage were analyzed. The objective variations in the ocean carbon cycle. The objectives of this study is to gain a better understanding of the processes contributing to changes in the were to clarify the reproducibility of deglacial carbon cycle through these efforts changes in the model, understand the mechanisms underlying these changes, and identify the processes that are missing or underestimated in the model.

2 Methods

160 **2.1 Model**

This studyperformed numerical experiments by coupling an In this study, numerical experiments on the ocean carbon cycle were performed using an offline ocean biogeochemical tracer model based on Parekh et al. (2005) with within the framework of the CCSR Ocean Component Model version 4.0 (Hasumi, 2006) to evaluate the transient response of the global ocean carbon eyele during the last deglaciation. The . The model has an approximate horizontal resolution of the model was approximately 1 degree, and it had includes 44 vertical layers (with thicknesses ranging from 5 –to 250 m). The boundary condition of the

The ocean biogeochemical cycle model was the is forced with monthly averaged output of from a climate model simulation focused on designed specifically for the last deglaciation (Obase and Abe-Ouchi, 2019; Obase et al., 2021) performed using an and run with the MIROC 4m atmosphere—ocean general circulation model (AOGCM), i.e., MIROC 4m (K-1 Model Developers, 2004), incorporating (Obase and Abe-Ouchi, 2019; Obase et al., 2021). The boundary conditions include horizontal advection velocity, sea surface height, vertical diffusivity, temperature, salinity, shortwave radiation, wind speed above the sea surface, and sea ice concentration. The prognostic

Prognostic variables for the ocean biogeochemical model were cycle model include phosphate, DIC, alkalinity, dissolved organic phosphate, dissolved oxygen, iron, silicate, and carbon isotopes of DIC (13 C and 14 C). The availability of light, phosphate, and iron was is used to determine the rate of phosphate uptake by phytoplankton. Sedimentation Notably, sedimentation processes on the seafloor were are not considered, and all particles reaching the seafloor were are assumed to dissolve in the deepest layer of the model.

2.2 Experimental design

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We conducted To evaluate the transient response of the global ocean carbon cycle during the last deglaciation, we conducted offline ocean carbon cycle experiments for forced with the outputs of the AOGCM MIROC 4m simulation, covering the period 21 to 11 ka BP. The MIROC 4m simulation focusing on the last deglaciation spanning from was performed according to the PMIP protocol (Ivanovic et al., 2016) with respect to the changes in orbital parameters and greenhouse gases during this period (Obase and Abe-Ouchi, 2019). They fixed the ice sheet to the 21 to 11 thousand years before present (kaBP) ka BP state of the ICE-5G reconstruction. Freshwater inflow from the Northern Hemisphere ice sheets deviates from the PMIP protocol after the latter half of Heinrich Stadial 1 (HS1). This approach seeks to align the simulated AMOC variations with those reconstructed from ²³¹Pa/²³⁰Th sediment core records and the associated climate changes that occurred during the Bølling-Allerød (BA) and Younger Dryas (YD) periods.

2.2.1 Steady-state experiment on the ocean carbon cycle for the Last Glacial Maximum

To obtain the initial state of the deglaciation experiment, the The ocean biogeochemical cycle model was spun up initialized through spin-up under the LGM ocean state (21 kaBPka BP) calculated by the AOGCM. Dust deposition to the ocean surface was taken from a simulation of conducted using the SPRINTARS aerosol transport-radiation model computed under LGM climatic conditions (Takemura, 2005). We assumed that iron deposition at the sea surface to be accounts for 3.5 wt% of the total dust deposition, with an assumed iron solubility of 1% (Parekh et al., 2005), which was derived from the ratio of wet and dry dust deposition and its solubility. However, it should be noted that some uncertainty is associated with these parameters. The

initial distribution of ocean biogeochemical tracers was taken from the climatology of the World Ocean Atlas 2001 (Conkright et al., 2002; Locarnini et al., 2002) and the Global Ocean Data Analysis Project (Key et al., 2004). The initial iron concentration was set to a constant value of 0.6 nmol. The model was is initialized with values of atmospheric $\delta^{13}\mathrm{C}$ and $\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ at 21 kaBP of -6.5% and 0% respectively.

Notably, the biogeochemical cycle simulation of the LGM ocean performed in this study did not include certain processes such as enhanced Southern Ocean stratification, iron fertilization from glaciogenic dust, and carbonate compensation, as discussed in Kobayashi et al. (2021). These three processes were are found to contribute to the glacial reduction in atmospheric pCO_2 in our previous studies, and therefore, with values of 294.7 ppm for the preindustrial run (PI sed in Kobayashi et al. (2021)) and 217.4 ppm for the LGM run (LGM all in Kobayashi et al. (2021)). Therefore, the calculated atmospheric pCO_2 during the LGM was is expected to be higher than the atmospheric pCO_2 reported in Kobayashi et al. (2021). Further experiments with the ocean general circulation model experiments are needed to obtain the physical ocean fields that account a physical ocean field that accounts for the enhanced Southern Ocean stratification; therefore, this process could not be incorporated into the current model setupstratification of the Southern Ocean during glacial periods. Therefore, it was not possible to include this process in the model settings adopted for this study.

2.2.2 Transient experiment on the ocean carbon cycle during the last deglaciation

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A transient experiment was conducted to investigate the ocean biogeochemical carbon cycle during the last deglaciation, starting from the initial state of the LGM. The temporal variations in (21 ka BP). Figure 1 illustrates the temporal variations of temperature and the AMOC in the output of the AOGCM within the AOGCM output imposed on the boundary conditions are shown in Fig. 1, forcing of the ocean biogeochemical cycle model. During the transient experiment, dust deposition was periodically adjusted every 100 years based on the scaling between the LGM and the Holocene, using the reconstructed dust deposition from the Dome Fuji ice core (Dome Fuji Ice Core Project Members, 2017). Notably, the transient experiment did not consider temporal variation in the ocean volume or the changes in dissolved matter concentration induced by ocean volume changeaccount for temporal variations in ocean volume caused by ice sheet changes and associated changes in mean ocean concentrations of biogeochemical tracers (i.e., nutrients, alkalinity, and DIC). This simplification will be revised in the future-must be revisited in future studies.

We also predicted the $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ and $^{14}\mathrm{C}$ contained in atmospheric CO_2 . After the spin-up Upon completion of the LGM ocean, we determined the spin-up, we established a restoring term to prevent drift counteract drifts in $\delta^{13}\mathrm{C}$ and $\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ in the atmosphere due to caused by gas exchange between the atmosphere and the ocean. The restoring term implies This restoring term includes the exchange of carbon isotopes between the atmosphere and the land, together with the production of $^{14}\mathrm{C}$ in the atmosphere. This restoring term was assumed to remain unchanged constant throughout the deglaciation experiment.

3 Results

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3.1 Ocean LGM time slice of the ocean carbon cycleduring the LGM time-slice

Figure 2 shows the calculated temporal variations in $\Delta^{14}\text{C--CO}_2$, $\delta^{13}\text{C--CO}_2$, and $p\text{CO}_2$ in the atmosphere (solid line), together with their reconstructed estimate (dashed lineestimated values (dashed lines). Figure 2 also shows the temporal variations in the average of $\Delta\Delta^{14}\text{C}$, which are the differences (i.e., the difference in $\Delta^{14}\text{C}$ between the ocean and the atmosphere), $\delta^{13}\text{C}$, and DIC in the middle (500–2000 m) and deep (> 2000 m) layers of the Atlantic, Southern ($<40^{\circ}\text{ S}<40^{\circ}\text{ S}$), and Pacific oceans. In response to This figure illustrates the changes in the ocean carbon cycle in response to the changing climate and the variation in the deep ocean circulation during the deglaciation, the ocean carbon cycle is altered.

First, we discuss the Analysis of the modeled differences between the LGM and the Holocene . Our climate model experiment indicates a weaker AMOC indicates that the AMOC is weaker (9.0 Sv) during the LGM (21 kaBP) compared to that in ka BP) than during the Holocene (11 kaBP)ka BP), i.e., 17.4 Sv (Figs. 1a and S1). The basin-wide distributions of $\Delta\Delta^{14}C$ and $\delta^{13}C$ in the Atlantic and Pacific oceans at specific time during specific periods are presented in Figs. 3 and 4. 4, respectively. The model results demonstrate that $\Delta\Delta^{14}C$, an indicator of ocean ventilation, is lower in the deep Atlantic at 21 kaBP ka BP than at 11 kaBP ka BP (Figs. 2c, 3aand f, and 3f), which is in qualitative agreement with reconstructions from sediment core records (Rafter et al., 2022). Notably, however, the model experiment underestimates the reconstruction of simulated $\Delta\Delta^{14}C$ values are less negative than the reconstruction $\Delta\Delta^{14}C$ values at 21 kaBP ka BP in the Atlantic below 3000 m and in the Pacific below 2000 m (Fig. 3a).

Regarding δ^{13} C, the model results show a stronger vertical gradient between the surface and the deep ocean in the Atlantic (Fig. 2h), corresponding to a shallower and weaker AMOC at 21 kaBP ka BP compared to that at 11 kaBP ka BP. This qualitative difference is consistent with the reconstructed δ^{13} C. However, similar to the finding for $\Delta\Delta^{14}$ C, our model experiment underestimates the reconstruction of δ^{13} C in the deep ocean, particularly in the Southern and Pacific oceans Ocean (Figs. 2i and i). 2j).

Our previous study, which involved numerical experiments under LGM conditions that the climatic conditions of the LGM, and accounted for the enhanced stratification in the Southern Ocean and iron fertilization from glaciogenic dust, showed improved quantitative agreement between the model and results and the sediment core data for dissolved oxygen, δ^{13} C, and Δ^{14} C (Kobayashi et al., 2021). The triangles in Fig. 2 illustrate the changes in the carbon isotope signatures reported in that study. A comparison of the two studies suggests that the absence of these processes is a major factor in the underestimation of Comparison of the results from the two studies highlights the advances made by Kobayashi et al. (2021) in capturing the dynamics of the Southern Ocean, suggesting that incorporation of the processes considered in their research could improve model—data agreement. However, their LGM simulation also slightly overestimated the changes in the earbon isotope signatures in the deep ocean glacial Pacific, and these discrepancies highlight the difficulty of achieving consistent scenarios that account for all changes in the global ocean within a model.

Atmospheric pCO_2 was predicted by running the ocean carbon cycle model. Its value was is 278.1 ppm at 21 kaBP kaBP and 306.9 ppm at 11 kaBP kaBP, i.e., a difference of 28.8 ppm which that is relatively small compared with to the

difference of approximately 80 ppm reconstructed from ice cores (approximately 188to—267 ppm in the EPICA Dome C record (Bereiter et al., 2015) and approximately 193to—273 ppm in WAIS Divide the WAIS Divide record (Bauska et al., 2021)). One possible explanation for this discrepancy is This discrepancy could be attributed to several factors, including the relatively small difference in SST differences in SST observed between the two intervals in our experiment (Fig. 1b). Previous studies using Using proxy and data assimilation reported a the global mean SST difference between the LGM and the Holocene of 1.7 to has been reported to be 1.7–3.6 °C (MARGO Project Members, 2009; Tierney et al., 2020; Paul et al., 2021; Annan et al., 2022), whereas the SST difference in our experiment was is only 1.6 °C. A small difference in SST leads to a small difference in CO₂ solubility between the two periods, resulting in which causes underestimation of the amplitude of the magnitude of atmospheric pCO₂. Another possible reason is that the Furthermore, it is important to note that this study did not consider specific processes that might have contributed to the lower reduction in atmospheric pCO₂ introduced in Kobayashi et al. (2021), i.e., during the LGM, such as enhanced salinity stratification, iron fertilization from glaciogenic dust, and carbonate compensation, were not considered in this study, as discussed in Kobayashi et al. (2021).

The differences in the steady-state ocean carbon cycles at 21 and 11 kaBP-ka BP highlight the difficulty in accurately reproducing the actual changes in atmospheric pCO_2 in the transient experiment connecting these periods. Therefore, our analysis focuses on investigation of the impacts of climate change, particularly the notable variations in the AMOC, on the ocean carbon cycle, and reveals model the successes and deficiencies of the model through model—data comparison of carbon isotope signatures.

3.2 Basin-scale Carbon isotope changes in carbon isotopes during the last deglaciation

3.2.1 Radiocarbon isotopes

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Here, we present the calculated transient changes in the ocean carbon cycle during the last deglaciation. During the deglaciation, atmospheric $\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ was reported to decrease decreases from approximately 500% to 0% (Fig. 2a). Seawater $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ generally increases from a the relatively low LGM value, although it might decrease at times (Figsvalues, but decreases during HS1 and the YD period (Fig. 2b–e). Generally, the state of the AMOC strongly influences the distribution of $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$. Both the model and the sediment core records show an increase in $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ in the deep ocean during periods when the AMOC is relatively strong, e.g., the Bølling-Allerød (BA) and Holocene, BA period and the Holocene (Fig. 3d and a-3f), and present decrease in $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ during periods when the AMOC is relatively weak, e.g., Heinrich Stadial 1 (HS1) and the Younger Dryas (YD). During the BA and Holocene, the zonal mean of $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ remains above -200% throughout the Atlantic owing to active ventilation (Figs. 3d and f). Conversely, when the AMOC is relatively weak, the zonal mean of $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ decreases to values below -200% in the deep ocean and the Southern Ocean, particularly during HS1 (Figsand the YD period (Fig. 3b and e3c). The pattern of calculated changes in $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ induced by the changes in the AMOC is are consistent with the pattern seen observed in the sediment core records a period characterized by rapid change in the AMOC after the BA transition (14.7 ka BP).

In the Pacific, when the AMOC is strong (i.e., at 13 and 11 kaBPka BP), the $\Delta\Delta^{14}$ C in the South Pacific is relatively high, with elevated values from the surface to the deep Southern Ocean along the path of the AABW. Some The sediment core records compiled in Rafter et al. (2022) indicate suggest elevated $\Delta\Delta^{14}$ C at depths near 1000 m values in the North Pacific intermediate layers during HS1, possibly indicating the influence of the NPIW intrusion. However, the model results do not provide clear indication of the intrusion of young water masses (Figs. 3 and S4).

The compiled sediment core records demonstrate substantial increase globally globally show substantial increase in $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ during HS1, whereas. In contrast, the model experiment does not show such pronounced change (FigsFig. 2b–e). This discrepancy can be attributed to the fact that two main factors: failure of the model experiment did not accurately simulate the variations in ocean carbon storage, as reflected in the atmospheric $p\mathrm{CO}_2$ to simulate activation of ocean ventilation during HS1, and the greater magnitude of the initial $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ values at 21 ka BP relative to the reconstructed values. This is supported by the insufficient carbon sequestration in the ocean calculated during the LGM (Fig. 2k). In other words, considering the glacial–interglacial redistribution of carbon in the atmosphere–ocean system, the relative abundances abundance of $^{14}\mathrm{C}$ to $^{12}\mathrm{C}$ in the atmosphere are is higher during the ice age, as manifested in the atmospheric $\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ –CO₂ (Fig. 2a), but; however, the variation in $^{12}\mathrm{C}$ is not well reproduced in the model experiment (Fig. 2k).

The Regarding the latter point of insufficient carbon sequestration during the LGM, the triangles shown in Fig. 2 represent the results of the best LGM simulation (LGM_all) conducted by Kobayashi et al. (2021). That simulation incorporated enhanced salinity stratification and sedimentation processes, which further contribute to accurate reproduction of low $\Delta\Delta^{14}C$ of deep water during the LGM. As shown in FigsFig. 2b–e, there is substantial discrepancy between the model and the reconstruction, particularly in relation to the Southern Ocean during the period of early deglaciation. The incorporation of changes Incorporation of change in vertical mixing , resulting from variations resulting from variation in ocean stratification , could potentially improve the $\Delta^{14}C$ simulation during simulation of $\Delta^{14}C$ in the deglaciation.

3.2.2 Stable carbon isotopes

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Next, we focus on the changes in δ^{13} C. For seawater δ^{13} C, the overall trends of change for in δ^{13} C and $\Delta\Delta^{14}$ C are similar and correspond to phases of elimate climatic change; however, δ^{13} C is less sensitive than $\Delta\Delta^{14}$ C to climate change (Fig. 2). This could be associated with biological fractionation. With a stronger AMOC, more light carbon is transported to differential response might be related to biological fractionation of carbon isotopes. A more active AMOC leads to increased biological activity that reduces δ^{13} C in deeper layers, especially in the North Atlantic, due to increased biological production. This counteracts the effect-influence of lighter carbon being transported to the surface by the active AMOC.

During HS1, the AABW extends from the Southern Ocean into the deep ocean with relatively δ^{13} C decreases gradually in the upper 3000 m of the North Atlantic (Figs. 2h, 4, and S3). The reduction in δ^{13} C can be attributed to several factors (Gu et al., 2021) that include increased contribution from southern-sourced deep water with low δ^{13} C endmemberseompared to the , accumulation of remineralized carbon with low δ^{13} C attributable to a weakened AMOC and reduced ventilation, and potential increase in the δ^{13} C endmember of North Atlantic Deep Water (NADW), leading to reduction. The results of this study show no clear change in the NADW endmembers of δ^{13} C (Fig. S5). Therefore, the change in δ^{13} C at approximately

3000 m is attributed to weakened ventilation in the North Atlantic , consistent with the reconstructed data (Fig. 2h). The data elearly show an increase in δ^{13} C in and to expansion of southern-sourced deep water. However, the mid-deep Southern Ocean (Figs. 2i and 4a-c). This change suggests loss of light carbon accumulated via biological processes during observed δ^{13} C change is relatively small compared to that derived from sediment core data because the AMOC change is less pronounced than that expected from the 231 Pa/ 230 Th reconstruction (McManus et al., 2004; Ng et al., 2018).

The deep Southern Ocean has its lowest δ^{13} C during the LGM, although the value gradually increases during HS1; however, this trend was not quantitatively simulated in the model. However, these observed changes are not reproduced in the model. According to Kobayashi et al. (2021), the low δ^{13} C during the LGM is related to enhanced Southern Ocean stratification and iron fertilization from glaciogenic dust. These processes, which are not considered in this study, contribute to the differences between the model and the observed data.

During the BA period (Fig. 4d) and the Holocene (Fig. 4f), when the AMOC is intensified, the intensified and deepened AMOC contributes to high δ^{13} C values originating from the North Atlantic Ocean expands into the deep ocean at penetrating to depths below 2000 m. The reconstructed basin-averaged Basin-averaged δ^{13} C also shows reconstructions also show this increase in δ^{13} C in the deep ocean during the BA (Figs, especially in the Atlantic (Fig. 2g-j). However, the data in contrast to the calculated change, the sediment core records do not show further reduction in δ^{13} C in the deep ocean during the YD, which is different from the calculated change period.

Changes in δ^{13} C in these deeper layers are also reflected the deep ocean lead to changes in atmospheric δ^{13} C-CO₂. Atmospheric δ^{13} C-CO₂ has There is a sharp drop in atmospheric δ^{13} C-CO₂ during HS1, it then rises slightly followed by slight rise during the BA, before falling again period and then further decline during the YD, whereas period. However, the model-calculated changes in the ocean carbon cycle do not reproduce such a this trend in atmospheric δ^{13} C-CO₂ (Fig. 2f). The discrepancy between the model and data may be due to the contribution of vegetation. This will be discussed later reconstructed δ^{13} C-CO₂ increases during the BA period, decreases during the YD period, and then increases again, whereas the model-calculated trend is the opposite. The discrepancy might involve the contribution from changes in vegetation, which is a topic discussed in Section 4.3.

In addition to changes in the deep ocean circulation, isotope fractionation by Isotope fractionation through temperature-dependent gas exchange and by phytoplankton, which preferentially takes up lighter carbon, is also an important factor for phytoplankton preference for uptake of lighter carbon also play important roles in δ^{13} C variation. Figure S6 shows the calculated changes in organic carbon export from that in 21 kaBP ka BP with qualitative changes in biological flux reconstructed from proxies, specifically opal flux and alkenone flux, in sediment core records (Chase et al., 2003; Anderson et al., 2009; Bolton et al., 2011; Kohfeld and Chase, 2011; Martínez-García et al., 2014; Maier et al., 2015; Studer et al., 2015; Thiagarajan and McManus, 2019; Ai et al., 2020; Weber, 2021; Li et al., 2022). During HS1, both the models model and the proxies show increased biological carbon transport in the Southern Hemisphere polar regions (Figspolar region of the Southern Hemisphere (Fig. S6a–d). In the polar regions, sea ice is reduced owing to warming, which could result in less light limitation and allow increased biological productivity. During HS1However, biological carbon transport is reduced in the subpolar region subpolar regions and in the South Pacific gyres. These changes in the southern regions can be attributed to reduced nutrient supply

resulting from weakening of the AMOC. Another important factor is the increased increase in iron limitation associated with the reduced supply of dust-derived iron that affects biological production. During the BA warm period, the enhanced AMOC enhances nutrient transport from the deep to the surface ocean, resulting in increased biological transport in the North Atlantic (FigsFig. S6e and f6f). These changes in the vertical nutrient transport then propagate to the North Pacific. From the BA to YDperiod to the YD period, there is an increase in biological exports export in the Southern Ocean, which may be attributed to a that might be attributable to reduction in sea ice as a result of resulting from warming in the Southern Hemisphere. The factors that alter biological production in the model are understood, but need to be constrained from using additional proxy data with high temporal resolution that can capture of millennial-scale variation variations.

3.3 Changes Deglacial changes in atmospheric pCO_2 during the last deglaciation caused by changes in the ocean carbon cycle

Figure 2k shows the calculated changes in atmospheric pCO_2 driven by climate and carbon cycle changes variations in the climate and the carbon cycle during the last deglaciation. To investigate those the factors driving the change in atmospheric pCO_2 , we decomposed the factors relevant to the partial pressure of CO_2 at the sea surface (pCO_2^{os}) . This parameter controls atmospheric pCO_2 through gas exchange between the atmosphere and the ocean. Oceanic pCO_2 is influenced affected by temperature, salinity, DIC, and alkalinity, which are factors related through the carbonate system. The impact and the influence of those factors on pCO_2^{os} can be represented as follows:

$$pCO_2^{os} = f(sDIC, sALK, SST, SSS)$$
 (1)

where sDIC is sea surface DIC, sALK is sea surface alkalinity, SST is sea surface temperature, and SSS is sea surface salinity. The function f is determined based on the inorganic chemistry of the carbonate system (Millero, 1995). By analyzing the changes in each variable from their original values, we can determine We can assess the contribution of each factor to the variation variable to the changes in pCO_2^{os} by examining the change in each variable from its original value.

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During HS1, the calculated atmospheric pCO₂ rose slightly to rises slightly until approximately 17 kaBP, then rose ka BP, and then it rises sharply to approximately 15 kaBPka BP. From 18 to 15 kaBPka BP, atmospheric pCO₂ increased increases by 10.2 ppm (Fig. 5a), whereas the WAIS Divide ice core record shows an increase of 41.4 ppm during the same period (Bauska et al., 2021). The model accounted accounts for approximately one quarter of the reconstructed changes in atmospheric pCO₂. Decomposition analysis of pCO₂^{os} revealed reveals that most of the variation in pCO₂^{os} is driven by changes change in SST (FigsFig. 5a and b). Figures S7b and c show the 5b). The changes in pCO₂^{os} (ΔpCO₂^{os}) attributable solely to variations in both temperature and salinity (ΔpCO₂^{os}(TS)) and in DIC and alkalinity (ΔpCO₂^{os}(CA)) are shown in Fig. 6a and 6b, respectively. It is evident that ΔpCO₂^{os}(TS) shows a predominantly positive contribution globally, reflecting the pattern of SST increase (Fig. S7d6d), because increasing SST reduces CO₂ solubility. In other words, the main contributor to the pCO₂^{os} increase increase in pCO₂^{os} during HS1 is warming, especially in the subantarctic region.

3.3.2 Bølling-Allerød period

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At the onset of the BA transition near 14.7 kaBPka BP, atmospheric pCO_2 began begins to decrease, and this reduction continued continues until 12.8 kaBP ka BP (Fig. 2k). From 15 to 13 ka BP, atmospheric pCO_2 decreases by 7.0 ppm (Fig. 5c). During the BA period, the contributions of thermal changes and geochemical changes acted biogeochemical changes act in opposition to the change in atmospheric pCO_2 (FigsFig. 5c and d5d). At the onset of the BA period, as the AMOC strengthened strengthens (Fig. 1a), SST and SSS both increased increase in the Northern Hemisphere and decreased decrease in the Southern Hemisphere (Fig. 88d7d). The net contribution of pCO_2^{os} (TS) attributable to changes in CO_2 solubility was positive (Figsis positive (Fig. 5c and d). On the other hand5d). However, the enhanced AMOC facilitates the transport of nutrients, carbon, and alkalinity from the deep to the surface ocean, especially in the North Atlantic (Figs. S8e and fFig. 7e and 7f). The increase in sDIC leads to an increase in pCO_2^{os} , while the increase in sALK leads to a reduction in pCO_2^{os} . These opposing effects partially offset each other, resulting in net reduction in pCO_2^{os} (Figs. 5c, 5d, and 88e). Additionally, as the AMOC resumed over time7c). During the AMOC overshoot at the BA transition and the subsequent stabilized phase, increased biological production in most of the global ocean led to a contributes to millennial-scale decrease in sDIC, contributing to decrease resulting in reduction in pCO_2^{os} (FigsFig. 5c and d5d). In summary, following the recovery of the AMOC, the opposing contributions of ΔpCO_2^{os} (TS) and ΔpCO_2^{os} (CA) to ΔpCO_2^{os} over time controlled control the temporal changes in pCO_2^{os} and subsequent reduction in atmospheric pCO_2 .

3.3.3 Younger Dryas period

Atmospheric pCO_2 rose rises again at the onset of the YD period (12.8 kaBPka BP), coinciding with the collapse of the AMOC into a weak state (Fig. 1a). From 13 to 12 ka BP, atmospheric pCO_2 increases by 6.8 ppm (Fig. 5e). Decomposition analysis of pCO_2^{os} revealed reveals that the influences of ΔpCO_2^{os} (TS) and ΔpCO_2^{os} (CA) on the overall ΔpCO_2^{os} were in opposite directions. This are in opposition, and this offset is also observed during the BA period, but in the opposite sense. The contribution of ΔpCO_2^{os} (TS) increased increases over time, leading to an increase in pCO_2^{os} (FigsFig. 5e and £5f). The contribution of ΔpCO_2^{os} (CA) was is small. As the AMOC weakenedweakens, reduction in sALK contributed to an contributes to increase in pCO_2^{os} , but the decrease in sDIC contributed to a contributes to reduction in pCO_2^{os} (Figs. 5e and £7, and S9c, e, and £7). Consequently, pCO_2^{os} decreased decreases slightly during the YD period.

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This study investigated The objective of this study was to investigate the transient response of the ocean carbon cycle during the last deglaciation. By comparing the calculated carbon isotope signatures of δ^{13} C and Δ^{14} C with those of derived from sediment core records, we can identify potential biases and errors in the model, as well as examine assess the impacts of elimate and AMOC changes changes in climate and the AMOC on those signatures. The simulation of carbon isotope signatures in addition to This comparison can also present information to help identify potential biases or missing processes within the model. In

addition to changes in atmospheric pCO_2 contributes to a , investigating the mechanisms behind changes in carbon isotopes contributes to more comprehensive understanding of past the temporal changes in the global carbon cycle.

4.1 Response of carbon isotope signatures to drastic changes in the deep ocean circulation

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Comparing the changes in Comparison of $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ variations between models and data allows us to evaluate enables assessment of the accuracy of the computed AMOC variations. The calculated ocean circulation changes. The reconstructed $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ rises notably during HS1, in contrast to the less pronounced shift seen in the model experiment (Fig. 2b–e). Two primary factors contribute to this discrepancy: underestimation of the activation of ocean ventilation during HS1 by the model, and the higher calculated $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ values relative to the reconstructed low values of $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ in the deep ocean during the LGM. The difficulty in reproducing changes in $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ might also be related to underestimation of variations in atmospheric $p\mathrm{CO}_2$ during this period. Processes that might contribute to this problem are discussed in more detail in Section 4.2.

After the BA transition, the variations in $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ regarding the notable shifts in the AMOC after the BA transition are generally consistent with those of the reconstruction. Corresponding to the AMOC change, $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ increases in the deep ocean from the deep Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean (Figs. 2e-eFig. 2c-e). Subsequently, $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ decreased decreases from the Atlantic Ocean to the Southern Ocean during the YD period in response to the weakening of weakening of the AMOC. This change is consistent with the reconstruction, but there is overestimation of the quantitative changes in the deep ocean are overestimated (Fig. 3e). This may that could be related to the reproducibility of the ocean circulation fields, which will be is a topic that is discussed below.

Pöppelmeier et al. (2023) use Bern3D model to estimate Assessment of the AMOC changes during the last deglaciation from by Pöppelmeier et al. (2023) involved conducting transient model simulations using the Bern3D model. They performed multiple model-data comparisons between-including carbon isotope ratios, εNd , and $^{231}Pa/^{230}Th$. Their research suggests that the AMOC gradually weakens results suggest gradual weakening of the AMOC during HS1, recovery at the BA transition, and weakens again subsequent weakening during the YD, but it does not completely collapse. This period, albeit without a complete collapse. The proposed pattern of AMOC change is qualitatively consistent with our the ocean modeling of Obase and Abe-Ouchi (2019) (Fig. 1a). The Bern3D study also shows indicates that the proportion of deep water originating from the North Atlantic is not much different from during the YD period is little different to that during the BA because of the short duration of the YD period. In contrast Conversely, this study shows that drastic changes in the distribution of Δ^{14} C and δ^{13} C changes almost completely at the basin scale in response to changes in the AMOC over approximately 1000 years AMOC variations over a span of approximately 1000 years (Figs. 3 and 4). Our model indicates a longer period of shows longer duration of the relatively weak AMOC during the YD compared to period compared to that in the Bern3D model, which helps to explain the discrepancies. The AMOC remains relatively weak for 1000 years, with a maximum volume transport of approximately 4 Sv. However, the Bern3D model shows a minimum volume transport of the AMOC of approximately 6 Sy during the YD period, which gradually increases to nearly 9 Sy during the following millennium. These differences are partly attributable to variation in the freshwater input to the North Atlantic between the two models. The stagnation of the AMOC in our model provides an explanation for the differences observed between the model and data in the data in relation to the deep North Atlantic during the YD period. However, it is important critical to recognize that even with similarities in AMOC strength changes, there are differences in the overall despite similarities in the fluctuations of the strength of the AMOC differences remain among models in terms of the broader deep ocean circulation fieldpatterns, including the AABW, between models, resulting in differences in basin-scale chemical tracer changes. Since each model has and Pacific meridional overturning. Consequently, these differences result in different chemical tracer distributions at the basin scale. Considering that each model contains systematic biases in both physical and biogeochemical processes, it is valuable to compare multiple models to explore realistic AMOC variations in the past. The importance of this study is that it examines how the AMOC mode change affects the three-dimensional structure of water masses, not only in the Atlantic, but also in the Southern and Pacific oceans. comparative analysis of multiple models becomes invaluable for exploring past AMOC variations.

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Further information can be obtained by comparing the results of model–data comparisons for $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ and $\delta^{13}\mathrm{C}$. For $\delta^{13}\mathrm{C}$. both the model and data show the same trend of an the data show similar trends, depicting increase in deep water δ^{13} C during the BA as-period as in $\Delta\Delta^{14}$ C. After that, the model shows a decrease-However, there is a discrepancy during the subsequent YD period. The model indicates reduction in deep water δ^{13} C during the YD, but the reconstruction does not show this feature (Figsperiod, whereas this feature is absent in the reconstruction (Fig. 2g-i). The mismatch is particularly pronounced from the Southern Ocean to the deep ocean. Possible contributing factors include variations in the signal of change There are several possible factors that could potentially influence this discrepancy. For example, variations in change signals and potential dating inaccuracies within individual sediment core data could result from smoothing effects such as bioturbation and coring artifacts. These complexities highlight the need for caution when comparing model simulations and sediment core records. Another important factor is the weakening of the simulated AMOC during the YD period. Comparison of the model and sediment data for $\Delta\Delta^{14}$ C and dating errors in individual sediment data. Another factor is that not only ocean circulation but also ecosystem responses are not adequately reproduced. The calculated δ^{13} C suggests that the weakening of the AMOC during the YD period might be overly pronounced in the model (Figs. 3e and 4e). Additionally, the calculated increase in export of biogenic organic matter in the Southern Ocean increased during the YD period compared to that in the BA period (FigsFig. S6f and g), resulting in a decrease in δ^{13} C from the Southern Ocean to the deep ocean. This biological response demonstrates that, without this change, a S6g) contributes to the decrease in δ^{13} C would not be observed in the deep ocean. Since a decrease in nutrient concentrations limits biological productivity, it is crucial to accurately simulate the This emphasizes the importance of accurately simulating nutrient and iron cycles associated with nutrient limitation of biological productivity. In particular, as., especially in iron-limited regions affected by changes in dust-derived iron supply. As the Southern Hemisphere warms and becomes more humid, the supply of iron from dust may might decrease (Martin, 1990; Martínez-García et al., 2014). This change has a substantial impact on ocean productivity in iron-limited regions, which subsequently affects atmospheric pCO₂. The interpretation of discrepancies between models and data on Reproducing changes in δ^{13} C is challenging owing to the intricate interconnections between ocean circulation, biological processes, and atmosphere-ocean gas exchange. Understanding the discrepancies between the model and the data in terms of the δ^{13} C changes is an open question will require future sensitivity experiments to clarify their respective contributions and to provide deeper understanding of these factors.

4.2 Insights from carbon isotope ratios: oceanic CO₂ release from the ocean to during the atmospheredeglaciation

Ocean modeling with freshwater forcing experiments has provided insight insights into the link between the shutdown and resumption of the AMOC and the changes in atmospheric pCO_2 . Schmittner and Galbraith (2008) showed demonstrated that cessation of the AMOC leads to an causes increase in atmospheric pCO_2 , which is due owing to several factors. The First, the efficiency of the biological carbon pumps in NADW pump in the North Atlantic is relatively high compared with that in AABW, and therefore the reduced inflow of NADW leads to reduction to that in the Southern Ocean. Therefore, reduction in the NADW inflow leads to decrease in biological carbon sequestration in the deep ocean. MoreoverSecond, weakening of the Southern Ocean stratification, associated with AMOC shutdown, associated with shutdown of the AMOC increases the outgassing of CO_2 from the ocean to the atmosphere. This study confirms

The results of this study confirm the gradual increase in atmospheric pCO_2 during HS1 and $\frac{YD}{D}$ the $\frac{YD}{D}$ period in parallel with the $\frac{AMOC}{D}$ weakening, but weakened state of the $\frac{AMOC}{D}$; however, such an increase is not directly related to $\frac{AMOC}{D}$ response varies depending on the model used and the initial distribution of $\frac{AMOC}{D}$ during the $\frac{YD}{D}$ period in parallel with the contribution of the change in temperature and alkalinity to the change in $\frac{pCO_2}{D}$ during the $\frac{YD}{D}$ was period is greater than the contribution of the change in $\frac{DC}{D}$ in this study. When the $\frac{AMOC}{D}$ changes, the resulting atmospheric $\frac{pCO_2}{D}$ anomaly depends non-thermal effects on changes in $\frac{pCO_2}{D}$ mainly depend on the magnitude of the relative contributions of DIC and alkalinity to $\frac{pCO_2}{D}$ based on the vertical gradient of DIC and alkalinity between the surface and the deeper ocean. While the $\frac{pCO_2}{D}$ response varies depending on the model used and the initial distribution of DIC and alkalinity, this study shows that increased SST and reduced surface ocean alkalinity emerge as major contributors to the deglacial increase in

Although our results show the impact of drastic changes in the AMOC on atmospheric pCO_2 .

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Simulating changes in $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ during the early deglaciationis challenging. During HS1, the sediment core records show that $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ increased by 200% in the deep Southern Ocean and by 100% in other deep oceans (Figs. 2c–e). The idea that ventilation increased during HS1 and that CO_2 was released from the oceans into the atmosphere is consistent with the increase during the last deglaciation, the model does not fully explain the variations in atmospheric $p\mathrm{CO}_2$ during this period. In contrast, the current model cannot fully reproduce the large changes in ventilation. The process that may be involved in this change in ventilation during HS1 is discussed below.

Ice core reconstructions show that the early deglaciation. Ice core records indicate a rise of approximately 40 ppm in atmospheric pCO₂ accompanied by reduction in atmospheric δ¹³C-CO₂ is depleted during HS1, but the calculated δ¹³Cand Δ¹⁴C-CO₂ during HS1. However, the calculated variations are insufficient in terms of its their amplitude (Fig. 2a, 2f). One factor, and 2k). A key contributor to this discrepancy is the limited amplitude of the ventilation change, as evidenced by the change in ΔΔ¹⁴C, because the upwelling of light carbon to the upper layers and its exchange between the ocean and the atmosphere lead to a reduction in atmospheric δ¹³C-CO₂. In Kobayashi et al. (2021), extent of the change in ventilation, evident from the ΔΔ¹⁴C changes in the ocean (Fig. 2b–e). However, the current model has difficulty fully reproducing these substantial changes in ventilation.

In addition to the changes in ventilation, biological processes are important in explaining the deglacial carbon cycle changes. Kobayashi et al. (2021) indicated that iron fertilization from glaciogenic dust was shown to increase increases biological production in the subantarctic region, which contributed thereby contributing to the reproduction of low δ^{13} C in the deep Southern Ocean during the LGM. Their study does However, their study did not reproduce the extremely old water suggested by radiocarbon profoundly old deep water in the deep glacial Southern Ocean, as suggested by radiocarbon data (triangles in Fig. 2d), but it does reproduce did reproduce the low δ^{13} C values (triangles in Fig. 2i). The change in glaciogenic dust deposition was not considered in this study, and therefore the model might underestimate the glacial-interglacial variation in biological production in the subantarctic region, which might contribute to potentially contributing to the underestimation of the changes in atmospheric and deep-sea δ^{13} C during HS1. In future efforts to reproduce the carbon cycle during HS1, the model-data comparison of $\Delta\Delta^{14}$ C and δ^{13} C shows that it is important to reproduce both the activation of ventilation and the changes in biological production, including the strengthening of iron limitation in the Southern Ocean.

Besides, in the North Pacific, Moreover, while many studies focused primarily on environmental changes in the Atlantic, the contributions from other ocean basins are also important. For example, sediment core records show from the North Pacific indicate increase in $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$ at depth near 1000 m during HS1 (Okazaki et al., 2010; Rae et al., 2014; Rafter et al., 2022). The NPIW was suggested to be strengthened or deepened during HS1, but this change is only partially explained by the ealculated changes in $\Delta\Delta^{14}\mathrm{C}$. By analyzing Analysis of radiocarbon and boron isotopes in sediment cores , Rae et al. (2014) show that the by Rae et al. (2014) revealed that the extent of the NPIW expanded during HS1. Using an EMIC of GENIE, they show that these ventilation changes contribute to an increase These ventilation changes have potential to contribute to the rise in atmospheric $p\mathrm{CO}_2$. Chikamoto et al. (2012) compared an AOGCM of MIROC, the model we use, with an EMIC of LOVECLIM. They show that both models concur on the activation of the NPIW when freshwater flows two coupled climate models, i.e., MIROC version 3.1 and LOVECLIM, and showed consistent results for activation of ventilation of NPIW triggered by freshwater inflow into the North Atlantic. However, it is also indicated that the response of the ocean circulation and subsequent degassing of CO_2 in the North Pacific during the early deglaciation are processes that have the potential to could contribute to the currently unexplained increase in atmospheric $p\mathrm{CO}_2$.

High-resolution The high-resolution ice core data obtained from the WAIS Divide provide record provides valuable insights into the changes in atmospheric pCO_2 time scale of the changes in the carbon cycle during the last deglaciation. It is suggested that there are two modes of change in relation to atmospheric pCO_2 : slow increase on the millennial scale and rapid increase on the centennial scale (Marcott et al., 2014). The rapid increase in atmospheric pCO_2 of 10–15 ppm at the end of HS1 (14.8 kaBPka BP) and at the end of YD the YD period (11.7 kaBPka BP) over a short period of 100–200 years ris synchronized with the resumption of the AMOC (McManus et al., 2004; Ng et al., 2018). However, this study did not reproduce such abrupt changes in atmospheric pCO_2 . Several factors might contribute to this discrepancy, including insufficient temperature rise in the Southern Hemisphere associated with AMOC changes in the AMOC, inadequate representation of the vertical concentration gradients of DIC and alkalinity, limitations in capturing atmospheric and oceanic dynamics in the general circulation model, and the influence of small-scale phenomena. Previous modeling studies have suggested that deeper convection in the

Southern Ocean and a-strengthening of westerly winds in the Southern Hemisphere could contribute to the abrupt jump in atmospheric pCO_2 during the middle of HS1 (16.3 kaBPka BP) by transporting sequestered carbon from the deep Southern Ocean to the surface (Menviel et al., 2018). Since these These processes are related to the challenges in reproducing carbon isotope ratios described earlier, these results suggest that above; therefore, this discussion points to the necessity of improving our AOGCM and of refining its experimental setup need to be improved. in future studies, as previewed in Section 4.3.

4.3 Implications for future improvements to Improvement of the model and the experimental design: future implications

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Model—data comparisons of carbon isotope signatures underscore the importance of refining our climate models to more accurately represent the complex interactions that govern changes in the carbon cycle. Future improvements to the AOGCM may include used in this study might address the following considerations.

For example Currently, the AOGCM used in this study did does not account for temporal changes in the ice sheet and underestimated the ice sheets and it underestimates the changes in Southern Ocean SST changes (Obase and Abe-Ouchi, 2019) . There (Obase and Abe-Ouchi, 2019). Moreover, there is some uncertainty as to how much meltwater has flowed regarding the volume of meltwater flow across the North Atlantic during HS1 (Ivanovic et al., 2018; Snoll et al., 2023) and BA (Kapsch et al., 2022; Bouttes et al., 2023). This the BA period (Kapsch et al., 2022; Bouttes et al., 2023). It suggests that the problem persists within the AOGCM, where the model's is integral to the AOGCM because the AMOC response is not consistently realistically reproduced and realistically observed, even when realistic freshwater variations are applied. Furthermore, as shown in identified by Obase et al. (2023), the magnitude of ocean warming during the last deglaciation varies depending on the response characteristics of each model, resulting in a range across multiple models. Sherriff-Tadano et al. (2023) demonstrated that altering alteration of parameters associated with cloud thermodynamic phase fractions in a climate model mitigates warming biases reduces the warming bias of SST in the modern Southern Ocean. Using a model with a reduced Southern Ocean warming biasis expected to yield, we expect to obtain different responses in Southern Ocean SST and ocean circulation during the glacial period, as well as and in their changes during the deglaciation, compared to those derived in this study. Furthermore, although some studies propose. Some studies proposed potential alterations in the westerly winds over the Southern Ocean throughout the last deglaciation (Gray et al., 2023), but there is a substantial degree of uncertainty concerning the anticipated changes in atmospheric dynamics during the deglaciation. These the atmospheric dynamics. Those uncertainties could have a substantial impact on the results of ocean biogeochemical models cycle modeling and, consequently, on atmospheric pCO_2 . Efforts to mitigate biases and facilitate a comprehensive discussion of climate model coherence reduce bias and to facilitate comprehensive discussion regarding climate model consistency are critical to advancing future elimate-carbon climate-carbon cycle modeling. These endeavors are essential to refine our understanding of the complex interactions between climate and the carbon cycle.

In addition to those factors mentioned above, there are several other factors that could contribute to improving the simulation of the ocean carbon cycle during the period of the last deglaciation. One important consideration is the inclusion of critical processes for lowing lowering atmospheric pCO_2 during the LGM, which were are identified in Kobayashi et al. (2021).

Those processes include enhanced stratification of the Southern Ocean, iron fertilization from glaciogenic dust, and carbonate compensation. Understanding the changes in those processes during the deglaciation is critical, and properly incorporating them their proper incorporation into future modeling efforts might lead to both improved simulations and better understanding of the dynamics during this period. In addition, it has been reported that the inclusion of a Studies have also reported that inclusion of the parameterization of vertical mixing that depends on the which depends on tidal mixing energy and stratificationean, could help better reproduce the Pacific circulation deep ocean circulation in the Pacific (Oka and Niwa, 2013; Kawasaki et al., 2022). The introduction of tidal mixing parameterization has also proven effective in reproducing δ^{13} C and Δ^{14} C in the glacial ocean (Wilmes et al., 2021). Incorporating the insights from these model development developments has the potential to lead to a more realistic representation of carbon cycle variations during the glacial period and subsequent deglaciation.

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Furthermore Moreover, glacial—interglacial changes in ocean volume due to ice sheet changes also have an impact on the carbon cycle. A recent study analyzing PMIP model outputs highlighted the importance of accurate representation of ocean volume changes and their associated effects on alkalinity adjustments (Lhardy et al., 2021). For more accurate simulations, it is critical to perform numerical integration that accounts for temporal changes in ocean volume during the deglaciation.

It is also worth noting that carbon exchange between the atmosphere and the ocean is not the sole driver of deglacial variation in atmospheric pCO₂. Changes in terrestrial and soil carbon storage also play important roles in modulating atmospheric δ^{13} Cand pCO_2 during the deglaciation (Schmitt et al., 2012; Bauska et al., 2021). Trends in atmospheric δ^{13} C-CO₂ changes differ between the reconstruction and the model (Fig. 2f). The model shows that, contrary to the reconstruction, atmospheric δ^{13} C-CO₂ decreases during the BA and increases during the YD. A possible explanatory factor, in addition to the challenges of reproducing biological productivity mentioned above, is that there is a lack of preferential uptake of light carbon by terrestrial vegetation and pCO₂ during the last deglaciation (Schmitt et al., 2012; Jeltsch-Thömmes et al., 2019; Bauska et al., 2021). Comparison of $\Delta^{14}\text{C-CO}_2$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C-CO}_2$ provides a consistent explanation if carbon uptake by vegetation expands during the BA period and declines during the YD period, as suggested by Schmitt et al. (2012). Vegetation growth, driven-prompted by CO₂ fertilization, can act as a sink for CO_2 and counteract the rise carbon sink, offsetting the increase in atmospheric pCO_2 (Bouttes et al., 2012a; Menviel et al., 2012). Therefore, it may be possible to revisit the changes in atmospheric pCO₂ during the BA and YD periods that were described by the ocean-only processes in this study. In this study, we applied the same sea surface restoring terms for the carbon isotopes used during the initial spin-up of the LGM throughout the deglaciation experiment. In other words, this approach did not consider changes in vegetation or changes in ¹⁴C production in the atmosphere. Future studies using Earth system models that include both terrestrial and oceanic carbon cycle processes would contribute to more enhance our comprehensive understanding of glacial changes in carbon cycles. A study of the carbon cycle associated with the glacial Dansgaard-Oeschger eventshas been conducted in an ESM of CESM1 and has shown that at this time scale, conducted using an earth system model, revealed that the changes in terrestrial carbon storage at this time scale are as important as those in the oceans (Jochum et al., 2022). Moreover, in previous studies using EMICsEarth System Models of Intermediate Complexity, temporal variations in atmospheric pCO_2 are primarily used to calculate changes in radiative forcing, and several studies have explored the interaction between the carbon cycle and the climate (Bouttes et al., 2012a; Ganopolski and Brovkin,

625 2017). Although fully coupling a carbon cycle model with to a climate model is a more advanced endeavor, we are interested in pursuing such eager to explore this avenue in future research.

5 Conclusions

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To understand the mechanisms of glacial–interglacial variability in the carbon cycle, this study focused on the last deglaciation period and investigated examined the transient response of the ocean carbon cycle to climate change, including the significant remarkable strengthening and weakening of the AMOC at the BA and YD transitions. This study represents an important step toward comprehensive transient simulations of the carbon cycle using an AOGCM, even though the changes in atmospheric pCO_2 are relatively small compared to those derived from ice core reconstructions. The importance of this study lies in its model–data comparisons of carbon isotope ratios that elucidate the impact of AMOC mode changes on the three-dimensional structure of water masses in the Atlantic, Southern, and Pacific oceans.

Our model qualitatively simulates an increase in atmospheric pCO_2 during HS1. The calculated increase of approximately 10 ppm in atmospheric pCO_2 increase was found to be caused by an from 18 to 15 ka BP is mainly caused by increase in SST. The relatively modest increase in atmospheric pCO_2 , compared with that of the ice core record to that of ice core records, might be attributable in part to relatively small increases in SST in the Southern Ocean. Furthermore, model data comparisons Additionally, comparison of carbon isotope signatures suggest that the model inaccurately represents the between the model and the data highlighted the scope for improvement in the representation of increased ventilation in the deep ocean and the decreased efficiency of North Pacific. Similarly, there is potential for improvement with respect to changes in surface biological productivity in the Southern Ocean and underestimates the activation of the NPIW. This, in turn, contributes to an underestimation involving the nutrient cycle, including iron. Correction of these elements would substantially improve our understanding of the increase in atmospheric pCO_2 during the early deglaciation.

During The drastic shifts in the AMOC during the BA and YD periods, large changes in the AMOC caused cause bipolar climate changes, altering. These changes affect not only the distributions of temperature and salinity, but also affecting the vertical gradients distributions but also the distributions of DIC and alkalinity. The net effects of those Interestingly, the cumulative effects of these changes on atmospheric pCO_2 appear to be mutually offsetting, with cancel each other out, resulting in only slight decrease during the BA period and increase during the YD. It was found that not only the change in pCO_2 due to changes in the amount of regenerated carbon accumulated by biological processes, but also the change in period. It is noticeable that changes in pCO_2 due to changes in alkalinity contributed more significantly during the BA and lowering variations in temperature and alkalinity play a major role in the reduction of atmospheric pCO_2 during the BA period.

To simulate transient changes in the carbon cycle, model biases, experimental settingsimprovements in model accuracy, experimental configurations, and the models themselves need to be improved to more realistically capture are critical for capturing the dynamical and biogeochemical changes in the atmosphere and ocean. Further research is needed to elarify what processes contribute to identify the specific processes that influence changes in the ocean carbon cycle at over different time scales in each ocean basin individual ocean basins. We emphasize that the analysis of the importance of analyzing carbon

isotope variations provides that can provide valuable insights into past carbon cycle dynamics and contributes to a better understanding of glacial-interglacial contribute to comprehensive understanding of the glacial-interglacial variations in the ocean carbon cycle.

Code and data availability. The CCSR Ocean Component Model (COCO) is the ocean general circulation model of MIROC, and the code of COCO version 4.0 is included as part of MIROC-ES2L. The source code of MIROC-ES2L can be obtained from https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.3893386 (Ohgaito et al., 2021).

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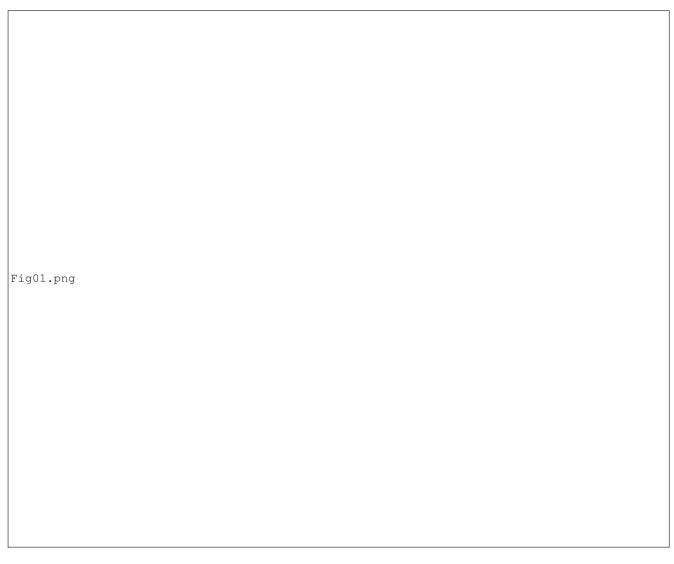


Figure 1. (a) Deglacial changes in the maximum volume transport of the Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation (AMOC; Sverdrup) with ²³¹Pa/²³⁰Th reconstructed from Bermuda Rise sediment core data at the Bermuda Rise (MeManus et al., 2004) (McManus et al., 2004) and compiled sediment core data in from the North Atlantic (Ng et al., Ng et al., 2018). , 2018)The strength of the AMOC is defined as the maximum meridional volume transport between 30°N and 90°N at depths below 500 m. (b) Deglacial changes in sea surface temperature (SST) in the Southern Ocean (°C) and the difference in SST from the present day (ΔT_{source}) (Uemura et al., 2018)(Uemura et al., 2018). (c) Deglacial changes in global mean ocean temperature (MOT; °C) and the difference in MOT from the present day (""Mix" of Bereiter et al., 2018 Bereiter et al. (2018)). The model output computed by the AOGCM (OA19) (Obase and Abe-Ouchi, 2019) (Obase and Abe-Ouchi, 2019), shown by blue lines, is compared to reconstructions from geological data, shown by gray lines. The right axes relate to the model output and the left axes relate to the reconstructions.

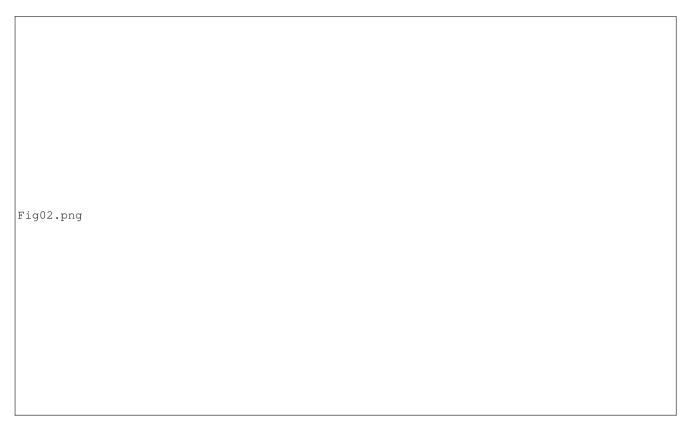


Figure 2. (a) Deglacial changes in Δ^{14} C-CO₂ (‰) in the atmosphere (solid line) with the reconstruction of IntCal20 (dashed line; Reimer et al., 2020Reimer et al. (2020)). (b–e) Deglacial changes in $\Delta\Delta^{14}$ C (‰), difference in Δ^{14} C (‰) between the ocean and the atmosphere, averaged in the mid-depth (500–2000 m; blue solid linelines) and deep global ocean (2000–5500 m; red solid linelines) , of the Atlantic Ocean (40°S–90°N), Pacific Ocean (40°S–90°N), and the Southern Ocean (90°–40°S) with compiled sediment core data (dashed linelines) of Rafter et al. (2022) (Rafter et al., 2022). (f) Deglacial changes in δ^{13} C-CO₂ (‰) in the atmosphere (solid line) with the reconstruction (dashed line; Schmitt et al., 2012Schmitt et al. (2012)). (g–i) Same as (b–e), respectively, except for δ^{13} C (‰) with compiled sediment core data of Muglia et al. (2023) Muglia et al. (2023). (k) Deglacial changes in atmospheric pCO₂ (ppm; solid line) with ice core data (dashed line; Bauska et al., 2021Bauska et al. (2021)). (l–o) Same as (b–e), respectively, except for dissolved inorganic carbon (DIC; mmol m⁻³). LGM: Last Glacial Maximum, HS1: Heinrich Stadial 1, BA: Bølling–Allerød period, YD: Younger Dryas period. The triangles represent the values reported in Kobayashi et al. (2021)Kobayashi et al. (2021), with the output of PI_sed plotted at the time of 11 kaBP ka BP and the output of LGM_all plotted at the time of 21 kaBP ka BP. PI_sed is an ocean carbon cycle model experiment conducted under preindustrial forcing, including carbonate sedimentation processes. LGM_all is an ocean carbon cycle model experiment conducted under LGM forcing, including enhanced salinity stratification in the Southern Ocean, iron fertilization from glaciogenic dust, and carbonate sedimentation processes.

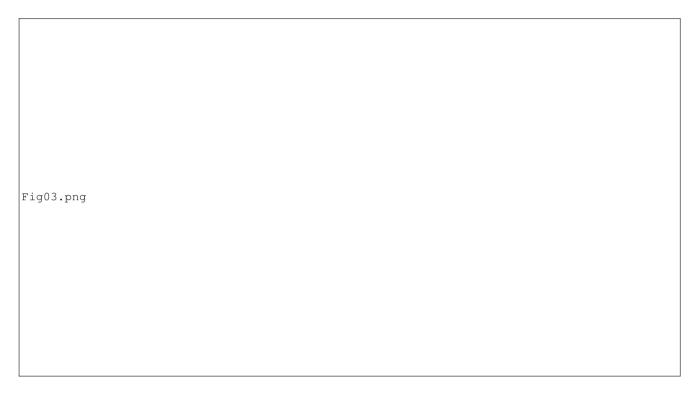


Figure 3. Oceanic zonal mean distribution of $\Delta\Delta^{14}$ C (‰), which represents the difference in Δ^{14} C between the ocean and the atmosphere, during key periods of the last deglaciation in the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. The specific periods of interest include (a) the Last Glacial Maximum (21 kaBPka BP), (b) Heinrich Stadial 1 (17 kaBPka BP), (c) just before the Bølling-Allerød (BA) transition (15 kaBPka BP), (d) the Bølling-Allerød (BA) warm period (13 kaBPka BP), (e) the Younger Dryas period (12 kaBPka BP), and (f) the Holocene (11 kaBPka BP). The contour interval is 40‰. The sediment core records used in the figure are compiled in Rafter et al. (2022)Rafter et al. (2022). Model results are averaged over 200 years, i.e., 100 years 100 years before and after each target year. However, for 21 kaBPka BP, the average is taken from results spanning 21.0–20.9 kaBPka BP; for 11 kaBPka BP, the average is taken from results spanning 11.1–11.0 kaBPka BP. The figure also includes a compilation of sediment core records where reconstructed values are plotted for 250 years before and after the each target year. The vertical section represents all data within the relevant ocean basins. The abbreviations for the oceans are ATL for Atlantic Ocean, SO for Southern Ocean, and PAC for Pacific Ocean.tu The top-right notes indicate the number of data points, model—data correlation coefficients, and the root mean square error (RMSE) for both the Atlantic and the Pacific basins.

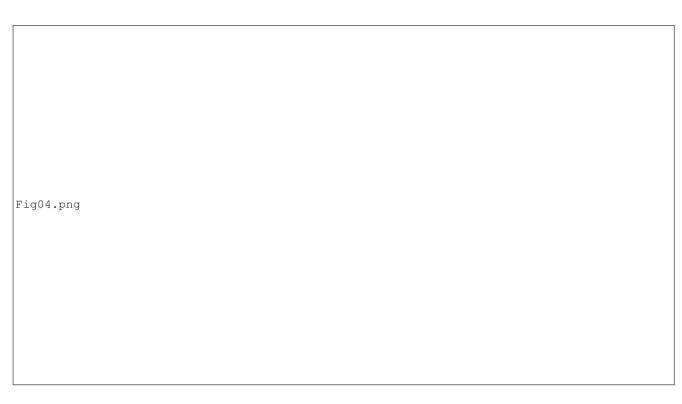


Figure 4. Oceanic zonal mean distribution of δ^{13} C (%) during the last deglaciation in the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. The contour interval is 0.25%. The sediment core records used in the figure are compiled in Muglia et al. (2023) Muglia et al. (2023). The period over which the model output is averaged is 100 years before and after the year of interest. The reconstructed values are also plotted for 100 years 100 years before and after the year of interest.

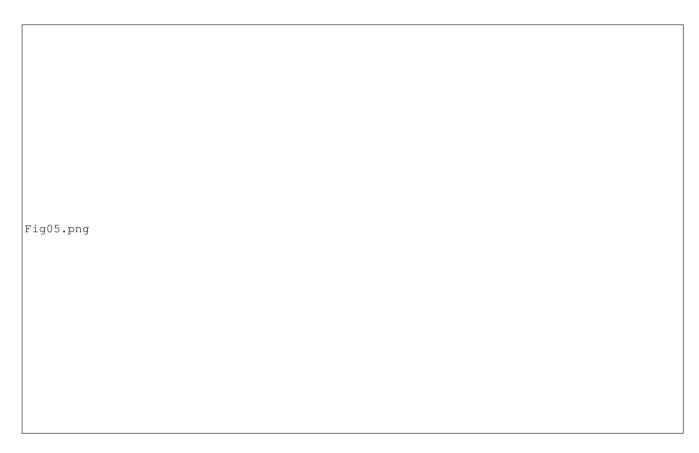


Figure 5. (a) Temporal changes in the partial pressure of sea surface CO_2 (pCO_2 °s; ppm; gray) during Heinrich Stadial 1 (HS1; differences between 18 and 15 kaBPka BP). The contributions of changes in temperature and salinity (purple), temperature (red), salinity (yellow), dissolved inorganic carbon (DIC) and alkalinity (cyan), DIC (green), and alkalinity (blue) to the changes in pCO_2 °s are shown. The thin gray line shows the time series of the AMOC strength. (b) Temporal changes in the partial pressure of atmospheric pCO_2 and pCO_2 °s (ppm) during HS1. Heinrich Stadial 1. The contributions of changes in temperature and salinity, temperature, salinity, DIC and alkalinity, DIC, and alkalinity to the changes in pCO_2 °s are represented by different colored bars. (c) and (d) Similar to (a) and (b), respectively, but for the Bølling-Allerling-Allerød period (differences between 15 and 13 kaBPka BP). (e) and (f) Similar to (a) and (b), respectively, but for the Younger Dryas period (differences between 13 and 12 kaBPka BP).

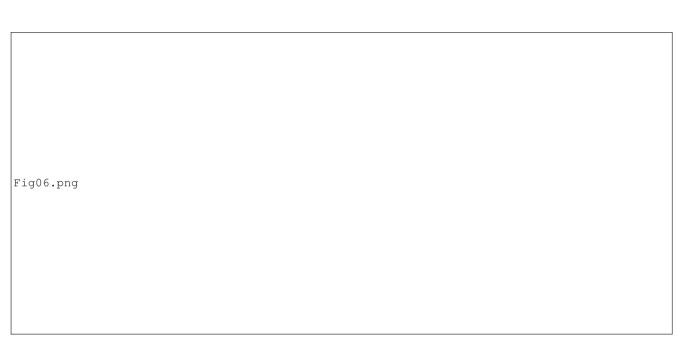


Figure 6. (a) Changes in partial pressure of sea surface CO_2 (pCO_2^{os} ; ppm) between the early and late Heinrich Stadial 1 (differences between 15 and 18 ka BP). Changes in pCO_2^{os} attributable solely to changes in (b) temperature and salinity and (c) dissolved inorganic carbon (DIC) and alkalinity, and to changes in sea surface (d) temperature, (e) DIC, and (f) alkalinity between the same periods.

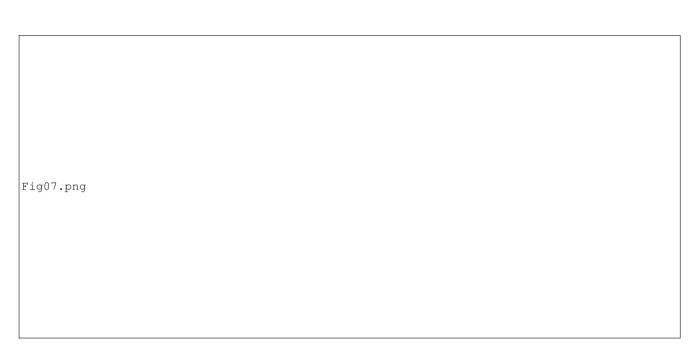


Figure 7. Same as Fig. 6 except for the Bølling–Allerød period (differences between 13 and 15 ka BP).

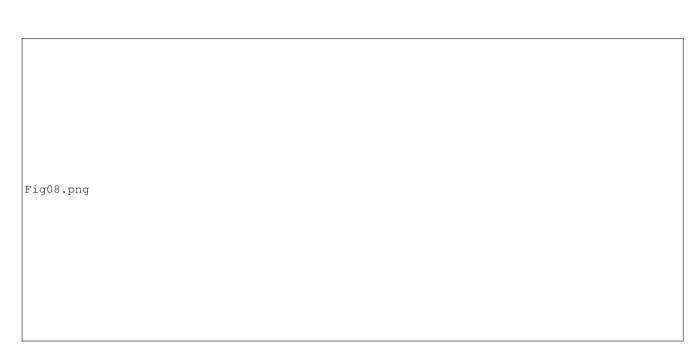


Figure 8. Same as Fig. 6 except for the Younger Dryas period (differences between 12 and 13 ka BP).