Interactive comment on “Present and LGM permafrost from climate simulations: contribution of statistical downscaling” by G. Levavasseur et al.

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Interesting paper that attempts to utilize the outputs of the GCMs that do not sufficiently resolve the sub-surface thermal regimes or archive those results. It is unfortunate that I was advised of this paper just a few days before the comment deadline, and have not had much time to read through the paper. I thought still it might be worth to compare the results with our effort conducted as a sub-project of PMIP2, in which a simpler statistical method was employed to map the sub-surface thermal regimes (permafrost, seasonally-frozen ground, no freezing, etc.) for 0, 6 and 21ka from the freeze and thaw indexes derived from the PMIP2 near-surface air temperature outputs.

Please also note the supplement to this comment:
http://www.the-cryosphere-discuss.net/4/C1388/2010/tcd-4-C1388-2010-supplement.pdf

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