Interactive comment on “Improvements in one-dimensional grounding-line parameterizations in an ice-sheet model with lateral variations” by David Pollard and Robert DeConto

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