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Development of the EC-Earth offline land surface model and application to decadal prediction of wildfires using LPJ-Guess

EC-Earth C4MIP spinup status

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BSC's contribution to C4MIP With EC-Earth

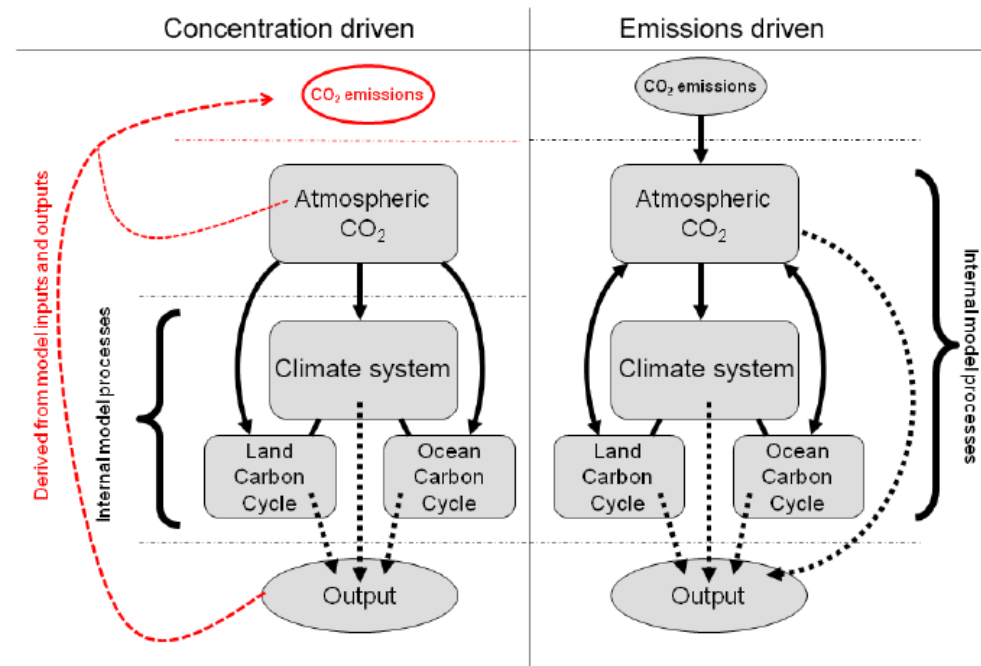
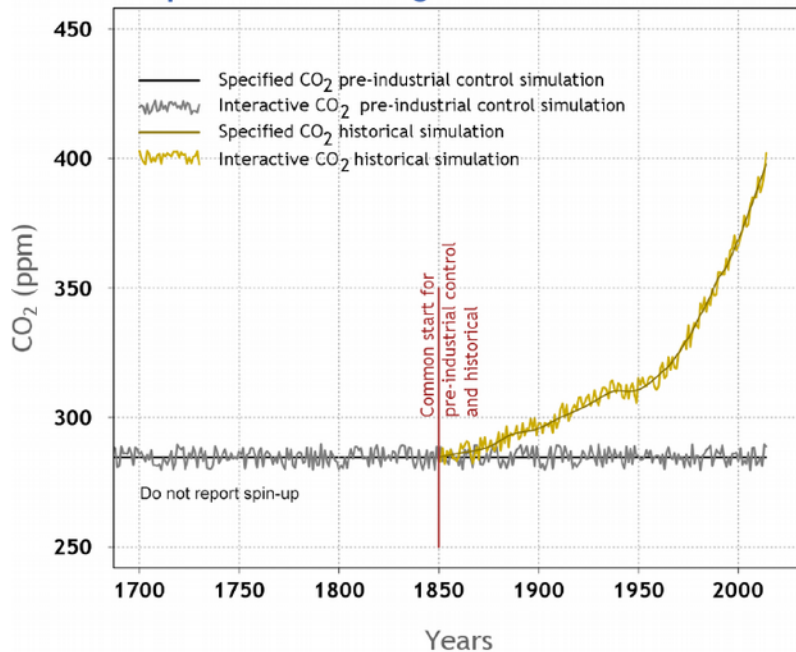
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C4MIP – The Coupled Climate–Carbon Cycle Model Intercomparison Project: experimental protocol for CMIP6

Chris D. Jones et al. 2016 Geosci. Model Dev., 9, 2853–2880, 2016

Pre-industrial control run and spin-up prior to launching historical simulations



EC-Earth3-CC Earth System Model

Global Climate Model

Global Carbon Cycle Model

Model Components

IFS (Atmospheric Model):

T255 (0.75°) ~80km

L91 (top 0.01hPa) ~mesosphere

IFS-HTESSEL (Land Model)

NEMO (Ocean Model):

Nominal 1° Resolution

L75 levels (thousands km deep)

LIM (Sea-ice Model):

Multiple (5) ice category

PISCESv2 (Ocean Biogeochemical Model):

Lower trophic levels of marine ecosystems

LPJ-GUESS (Dyn. Glob. Vegetation Model):

Process-based, plant functional types

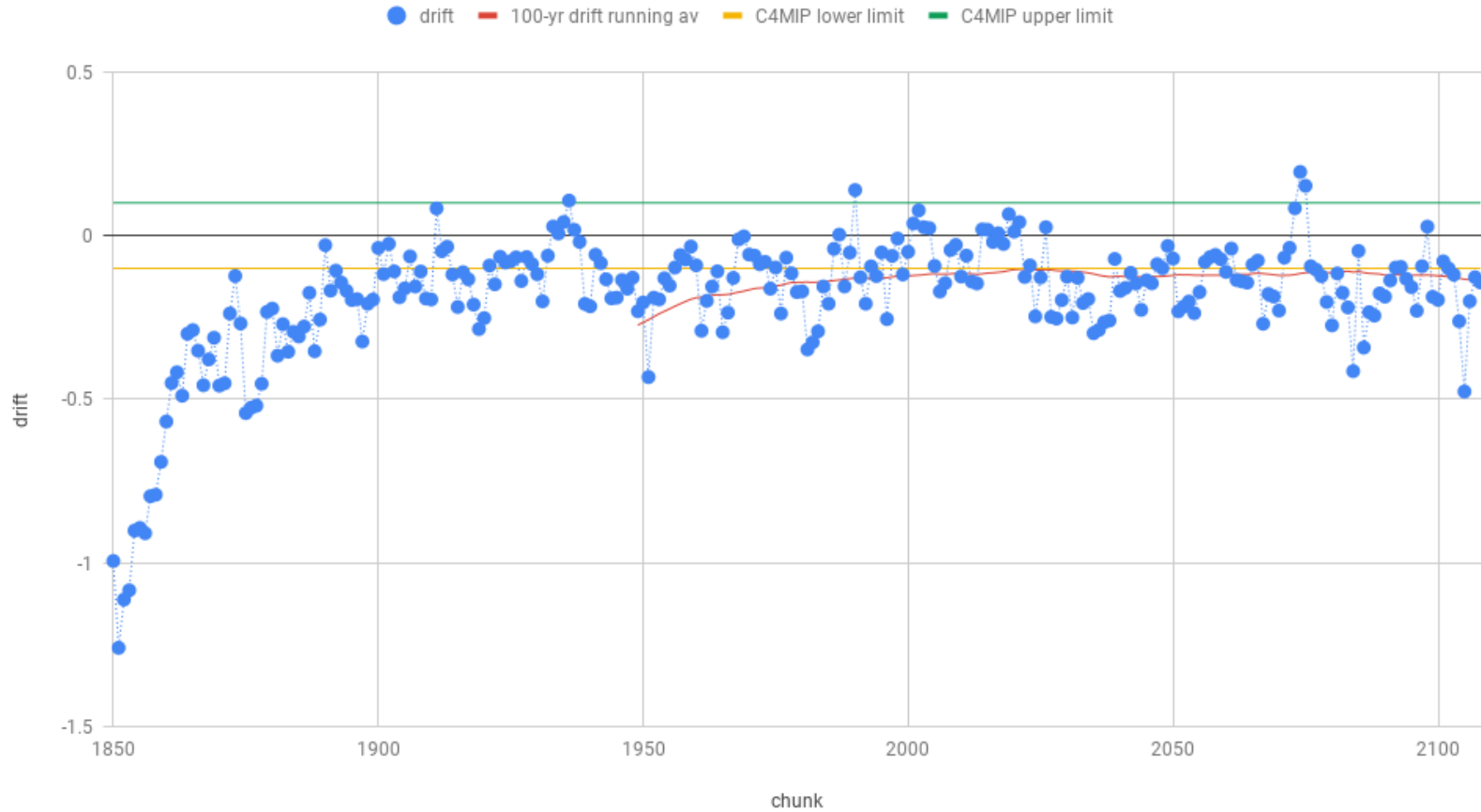
TM5-CO2 (Atm. Chem. Transport Model):

34 layers, single-tracer version (CO₂)

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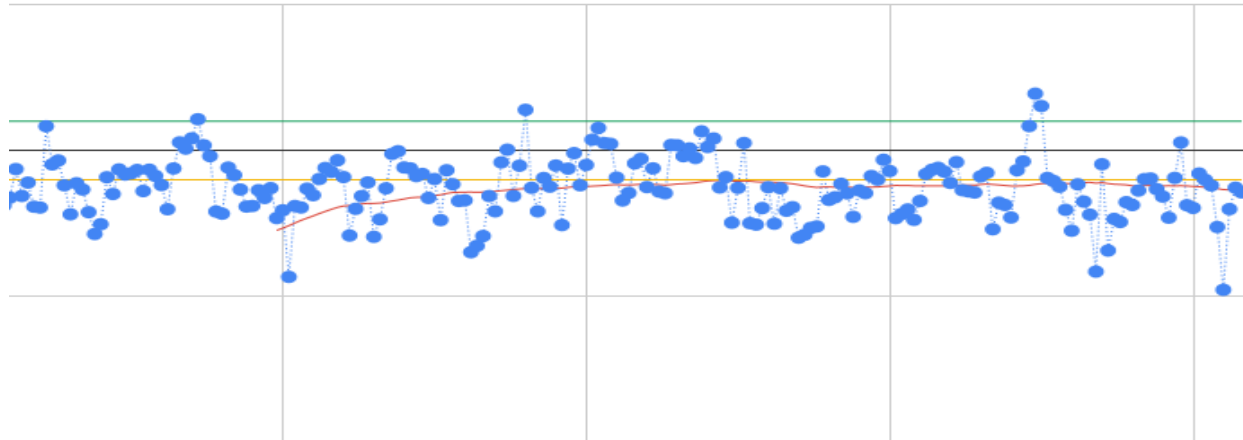
Ocean Carbon drift



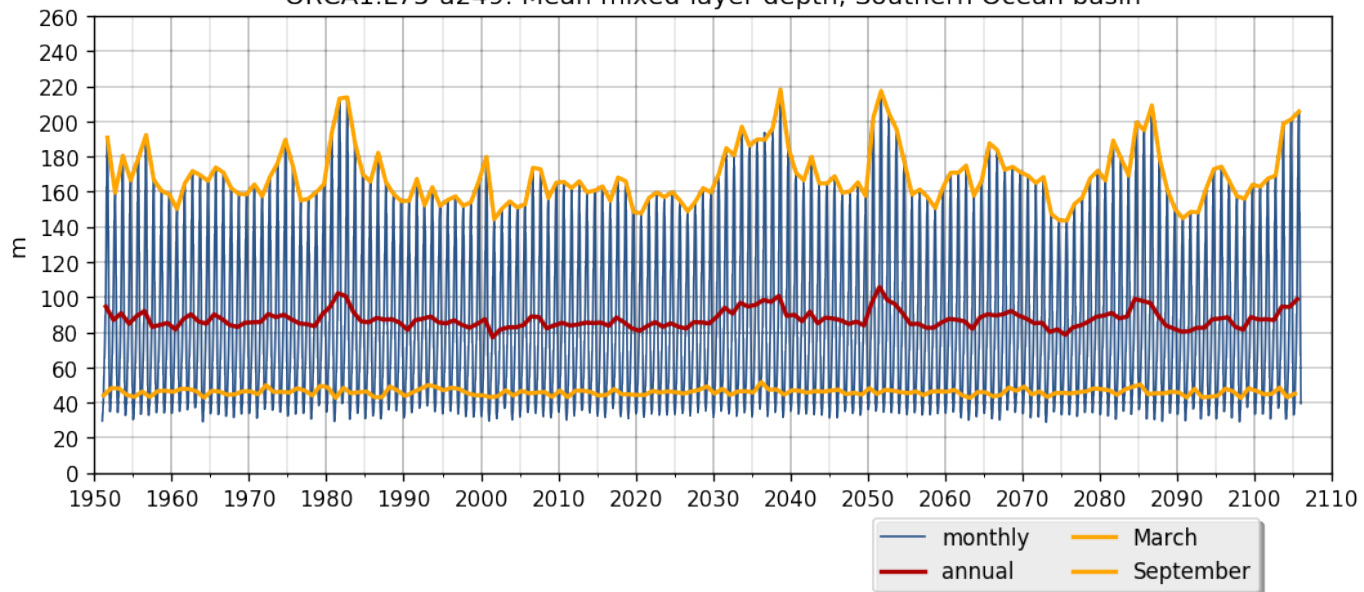
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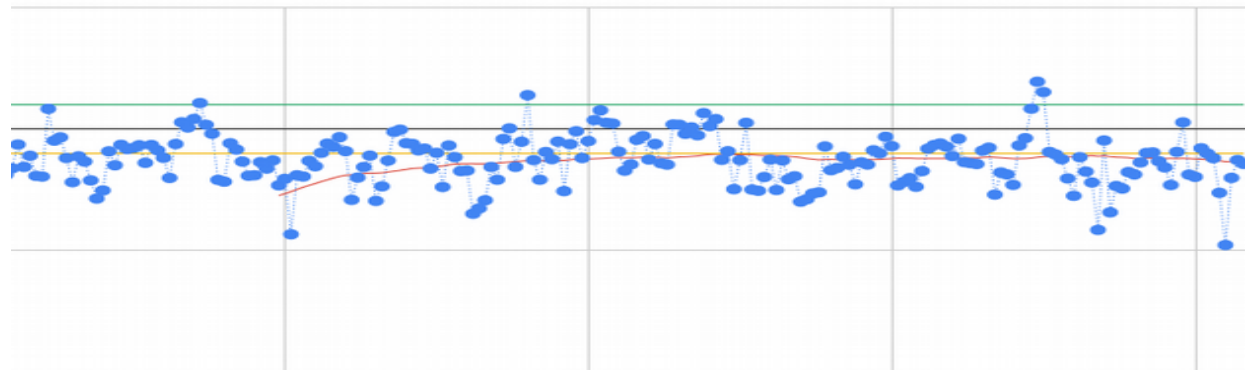


drift 100-yr drift running av C4MIP lower limit C4MIP upper limit

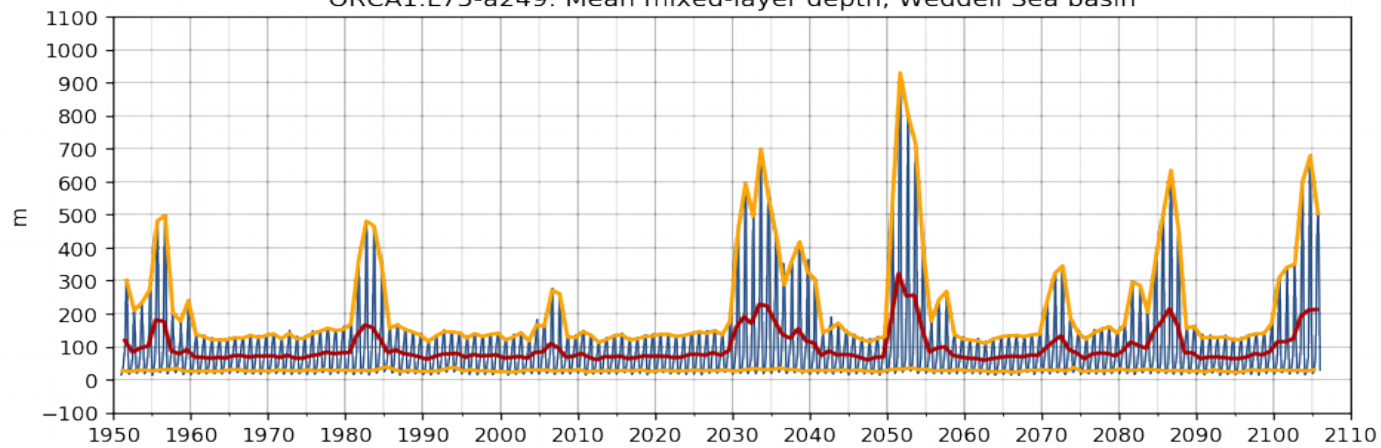


ORCA1.L75-a249: Mean mixed-layer depth, Southern Ocean basin

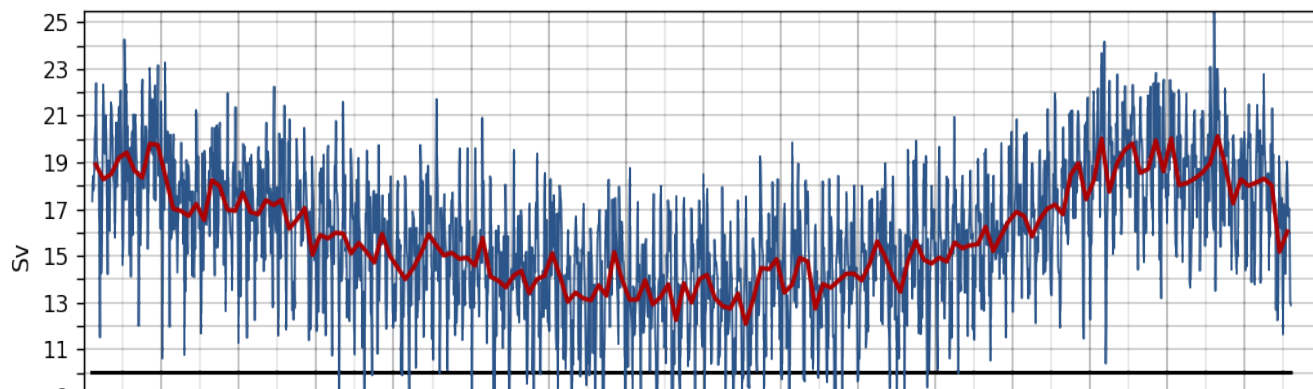




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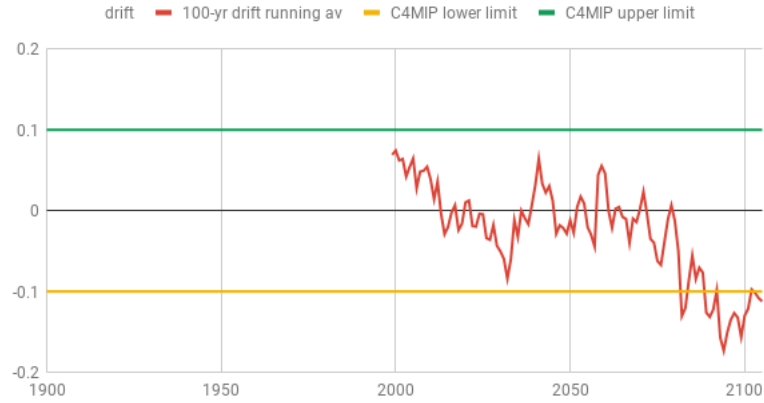
ORCA1.L75-a249: Max. of AMOC between +40N+43N



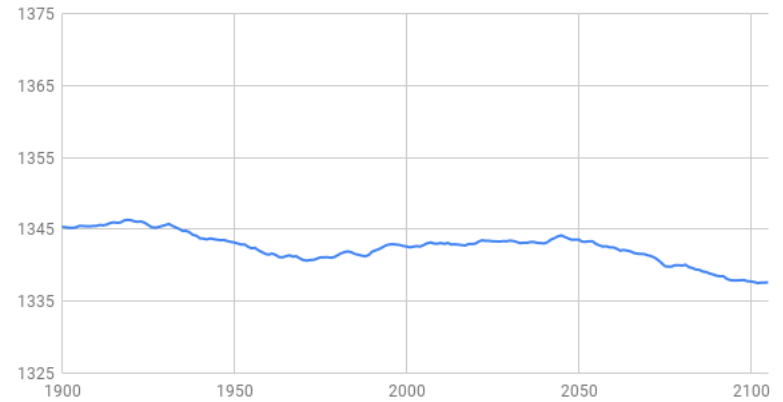
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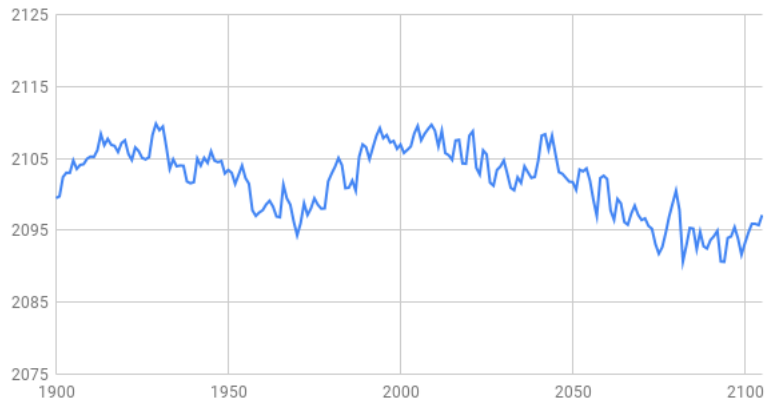
Land carbon drift (Pg/yr)



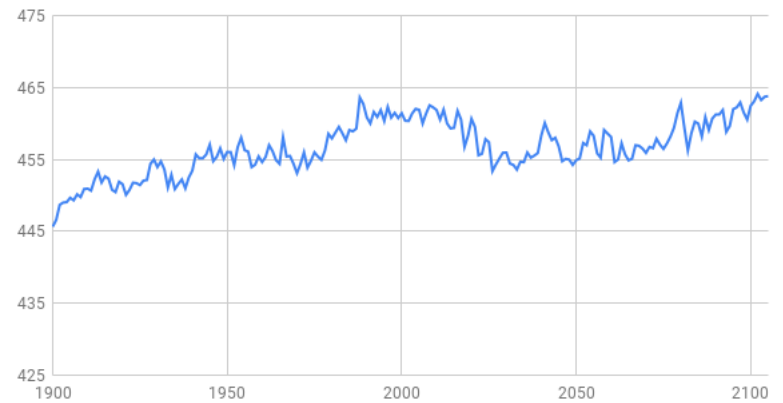
soilC (Pg)



Total C (Pg)



vegC (Pg)



An update of the current climate prediction activities at BSC with EC-Earth

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Climate Prediction Group, Earth Sciences Department

APPLICATE.eu
Advanced prediction in
polar regions and beyond

EUCP
European Climate Prediction system

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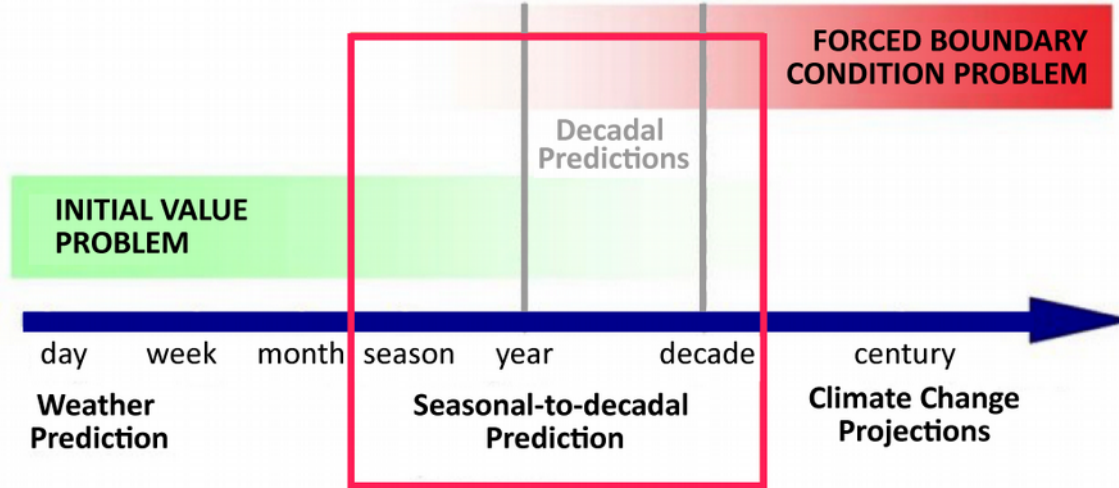
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Cornerstones of climate prediction



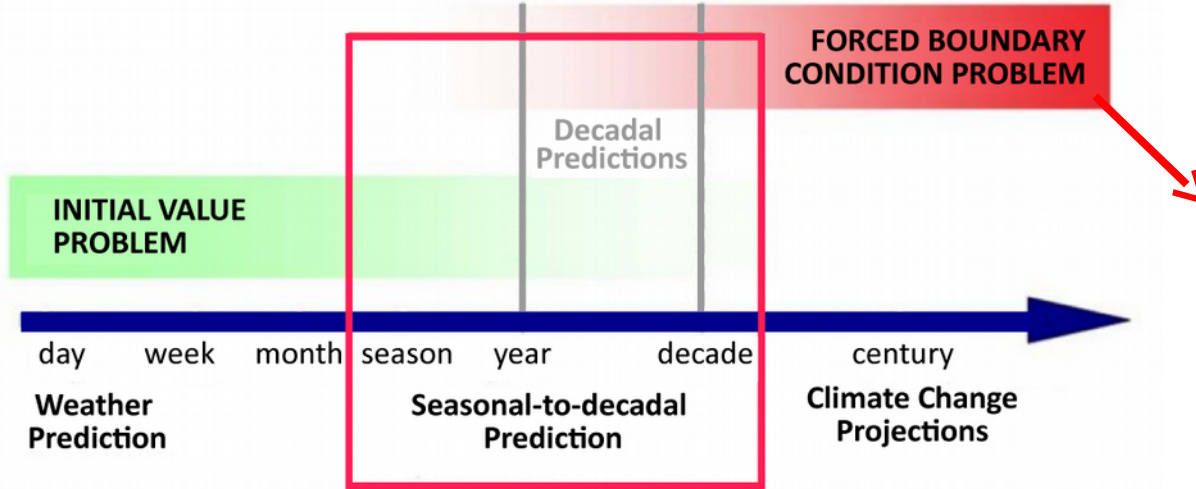
Meehl et al 2009



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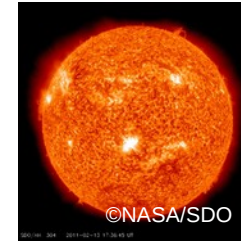


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Predictability relying on good guess of future changes in the forcing

Solar Activity



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Volcanic Aerosols



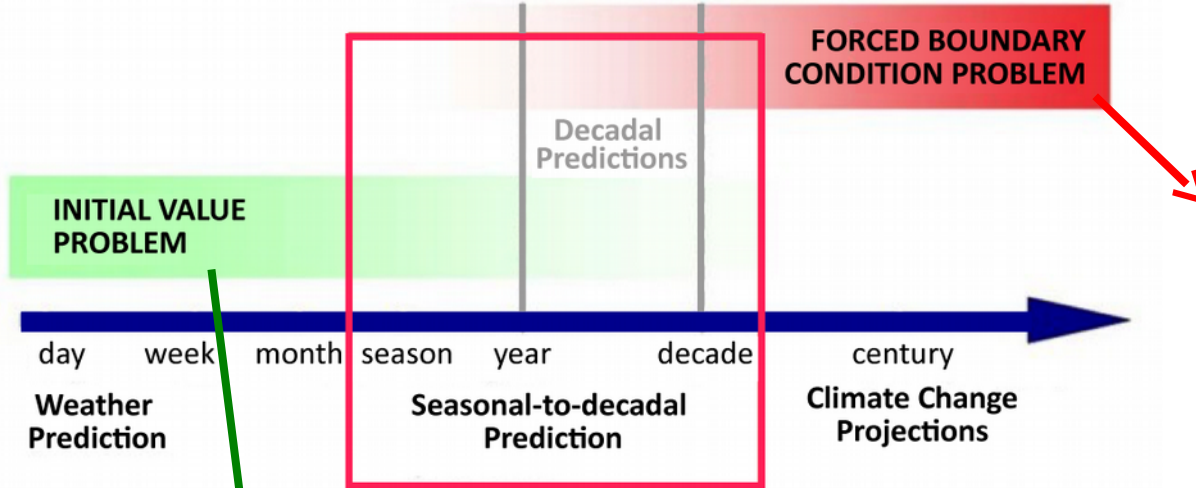
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GHGs

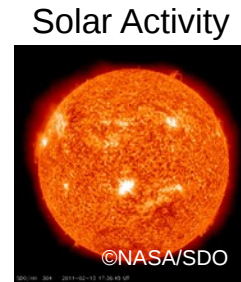


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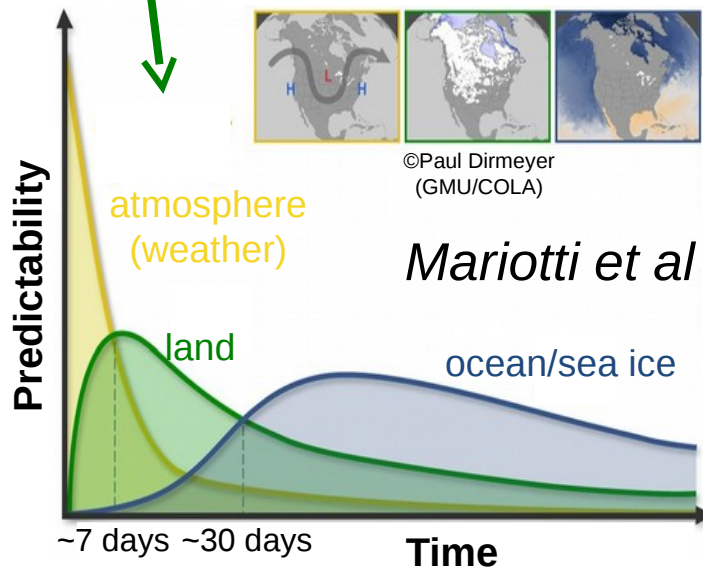
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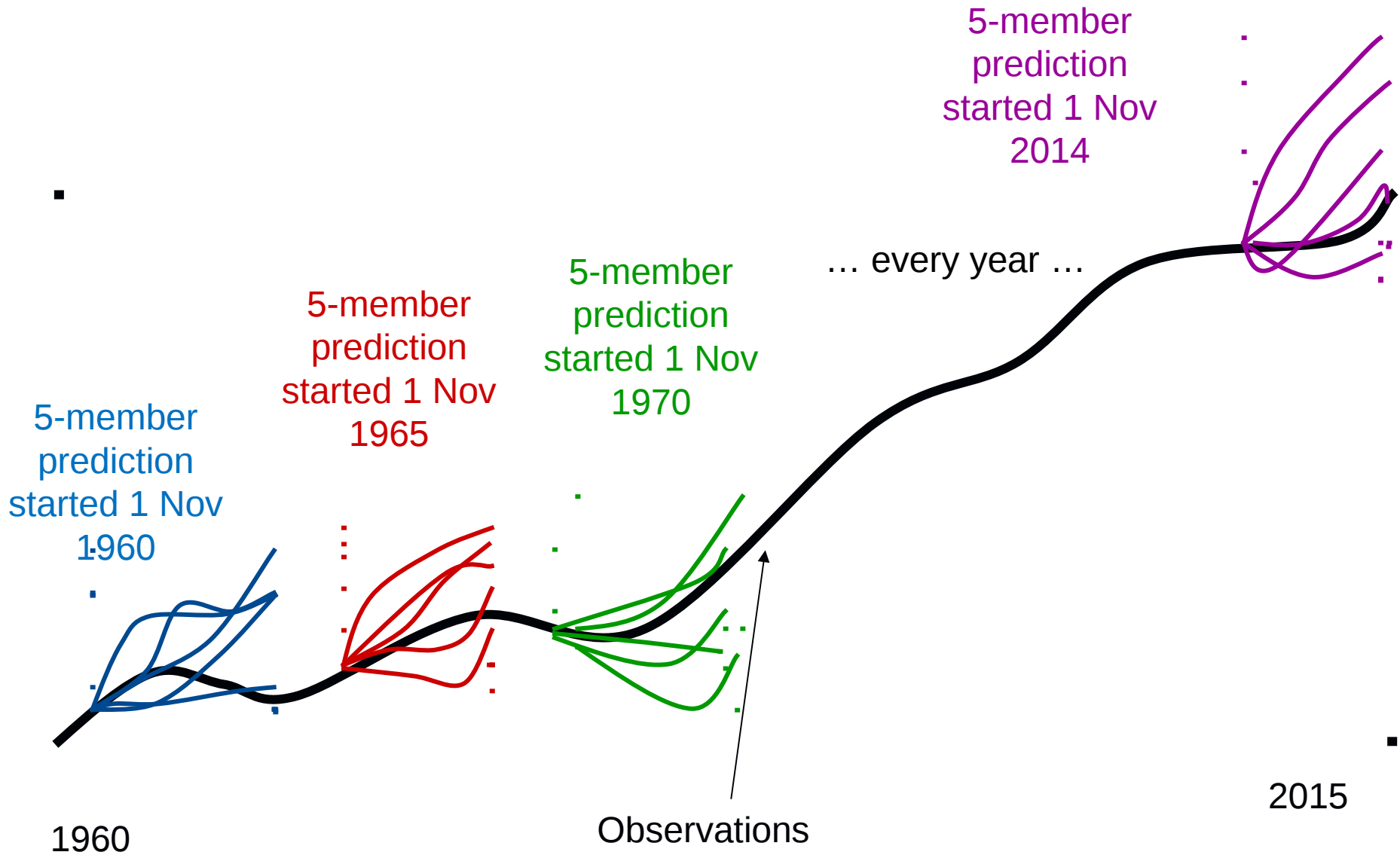
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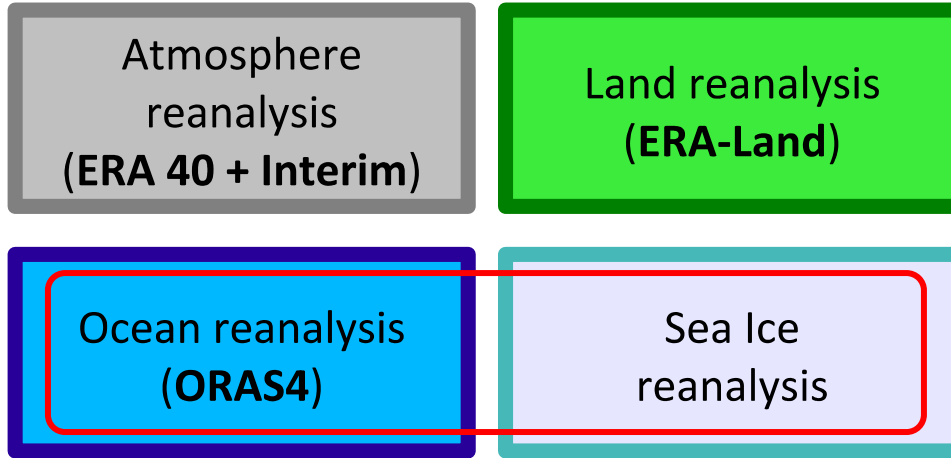
Predictability arising from the memory of slow processes/components in the climate system

Climate prediction experiments



ATM:

Interpolated to model grid with OpenIFS (now performed locally at BSC)



Produced at BSC

LAND:

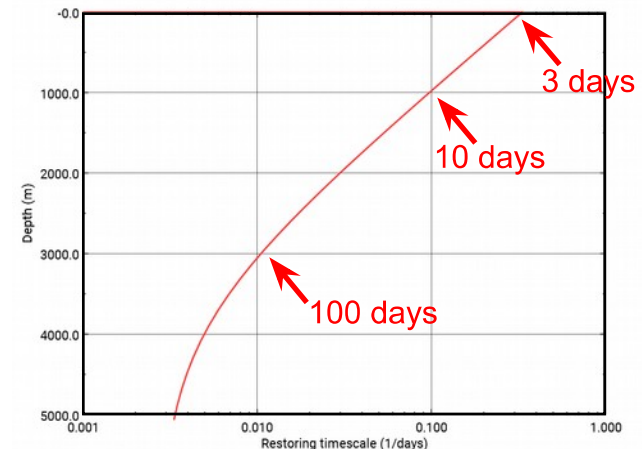
Offline land-surface simulation with near-surface meteorology and corrected fluxes from ERA-Interim

OCE+ SI:

Historical reconstruction with NEMO-LIM stand alone, forced with ERA-40/Interim fluxes, and nudged globally towards 3D T and S from ORAS4

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Default surface} \\ \text{restoring coefficients} \\ \gamma_T = -40\text{W/m}^2/\text{K} \\ \gamma_S = -150\text{ kg/m}^2/\text{s/psu} \end{array} \right]$$

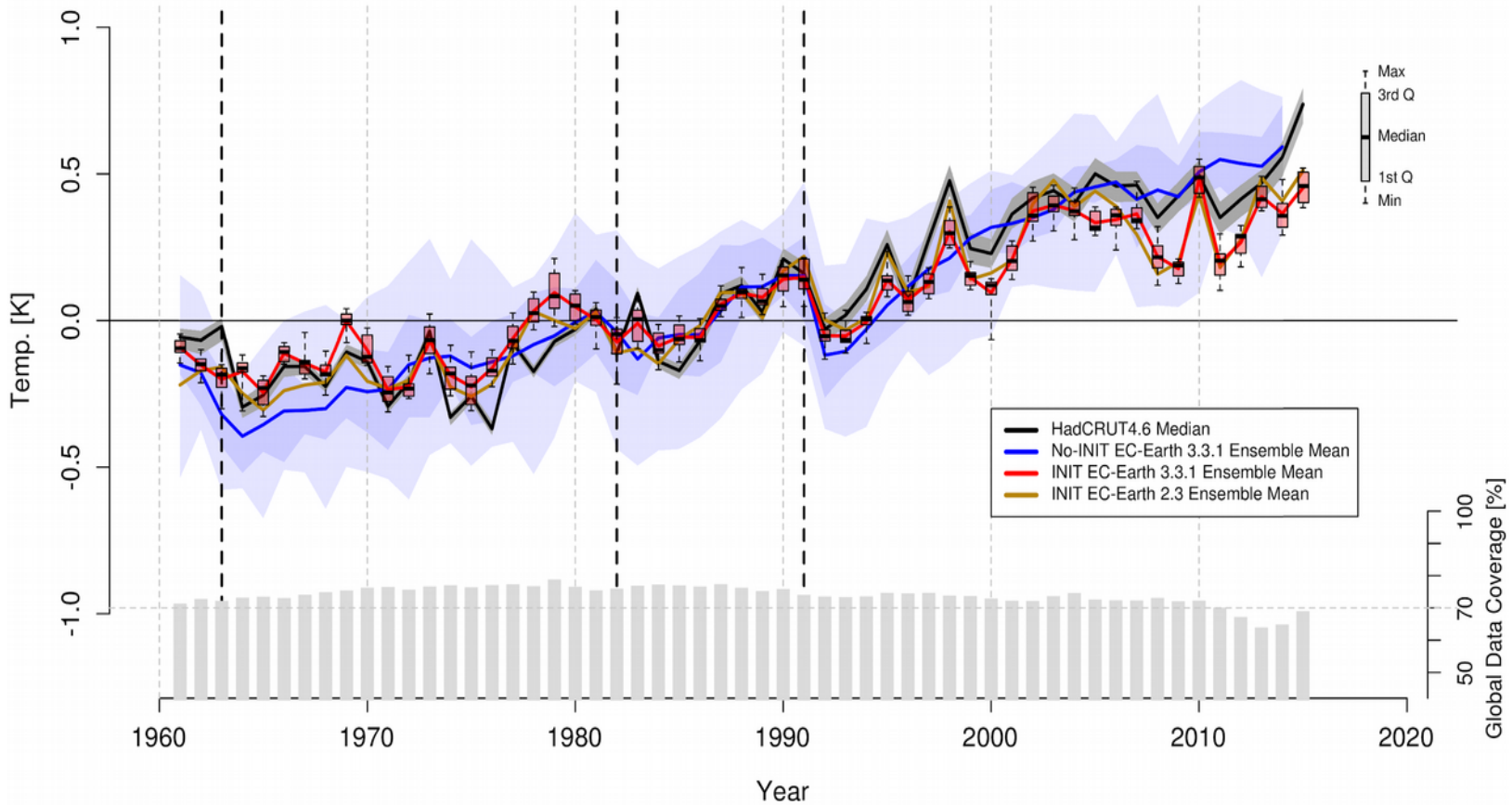
Default 3D restoring timescales



Forecast Year 1 (M3-14)

Combination of 2m temperature over land and SST over ocean

Global Mean Surface Temperature (tastos), Forecast Year 1



Contributions to CMIP6

EC-Earth 3.3.1 in standard resolution ($\sim 1^\circ$)

DCPP Component A:

Retrospective Predictions [1960-2017]

DCPP Component B:

Near-real time Forecasts [2018 onwards]

DECK+ScenarioMIP:

Historical+SPSS2-4.5 [1850-2100]

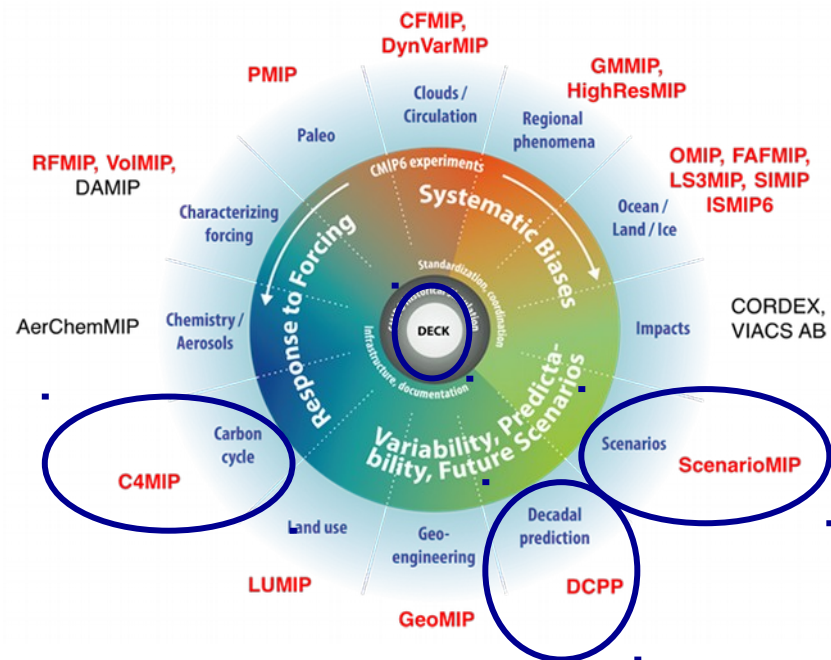
C4MIP

Other H2020 activities

With EC-Earth 3.3.1 in high resolution ($\sim 0.25^\circ$)

DCPP Component A-like:

Retrospective Predictions [1960-2017]



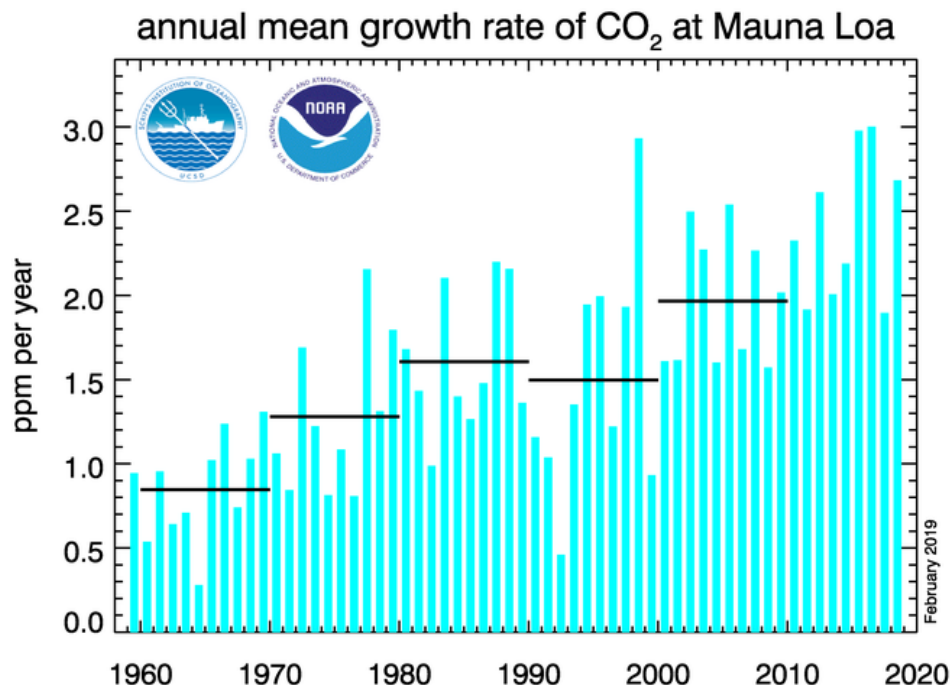
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Towards a near-term prediction of the climate and carbon cycle interactions in response to Paris Agreement emission trajectories

Variability in atm CO₂ growth rate is mostly due to natural variability

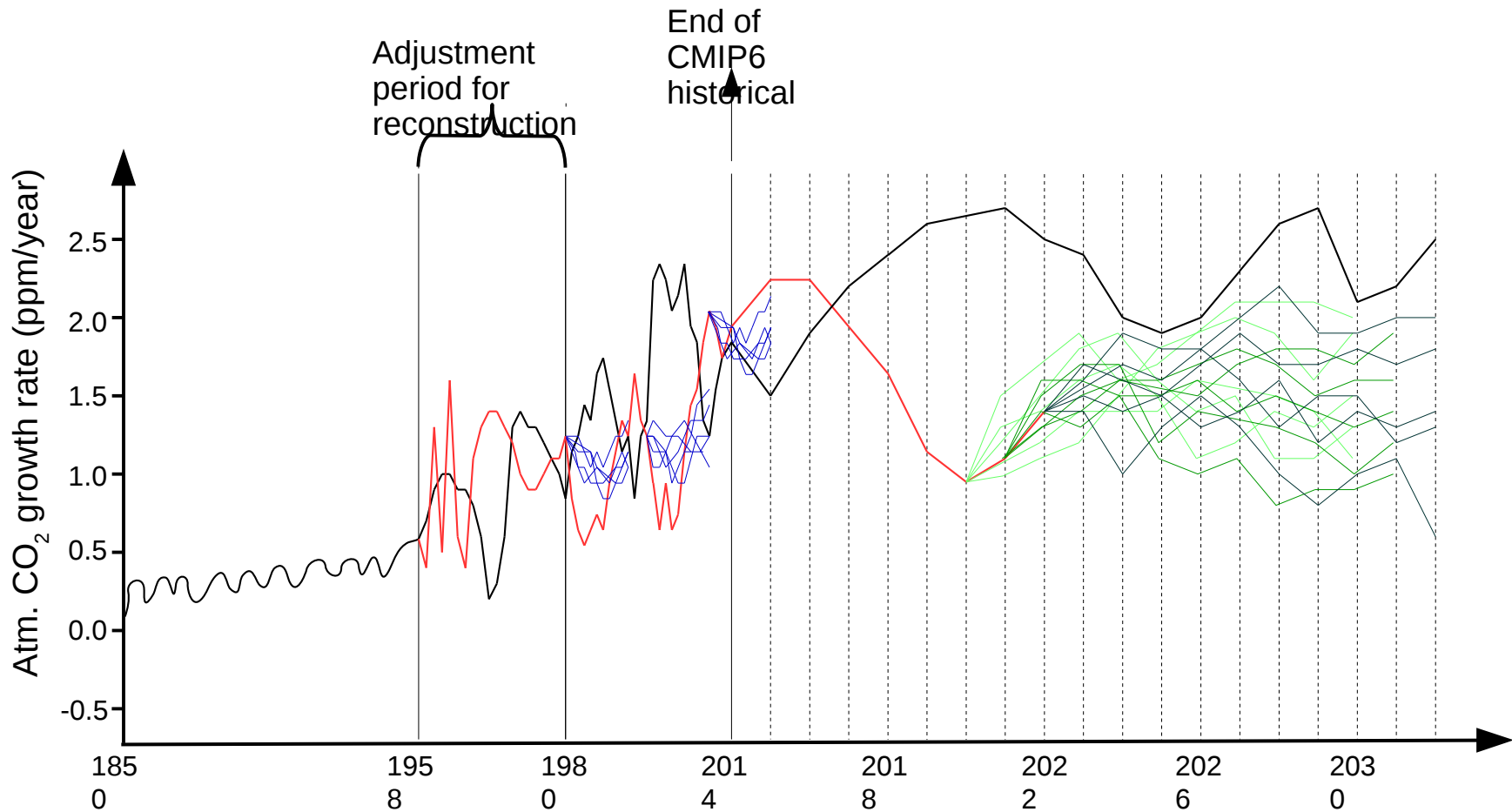
Testing different ocean biogeochemical reconstructions as initial conditions



Retrospective decadal predictions of ocean and land carbon uptake

Idealized perfect-model experiments to investigate mechanisms of C uptake predictability in the ocean.

Future Carbon – Climate interactions



- Emission-driven Historical 1850-2014 + Future scenario 2015-2032
- Reconstruction 1958-2018
- Retrospective predictions

- Future predictions (NDCs) 2020-2030
- Future predictions (NDCs) 2021-2031
- Future predictions (NDCs) 2022-2032



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EC-Earth land surface model : development of the offline configuration and application to decadal prediction of wildfires

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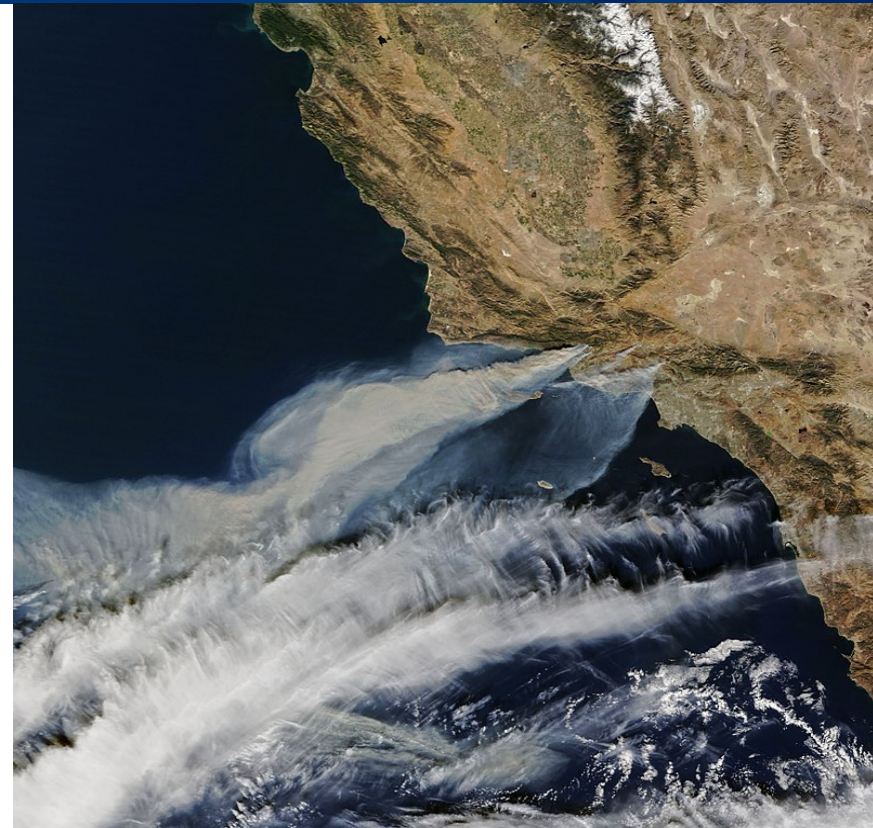
The 2017 fire season in California WAS the costliest on record, with 18 Billion US\$ in damages, and deadliest with 43 casualties on record.

2018 wildfire season was even worse...





In October, around the Napa valley in Northern California, the Tubbs fire was the most destructive in US history. Warm temperatures and strong winds are thought to be responsible for the severity of these wildfires.



In December, Southern California was plagued by severe wildfires and the Thomas fire near Los Angeles became the largest in California history. It was thought to be fueled by severe Santa Ana winds and warmer than average temperatures.



In June 2017, the infamous “Pedrogão Grande” wildfires (in central Portugal) killed 62 people trapped in their cars as they fled the intense wildfires.



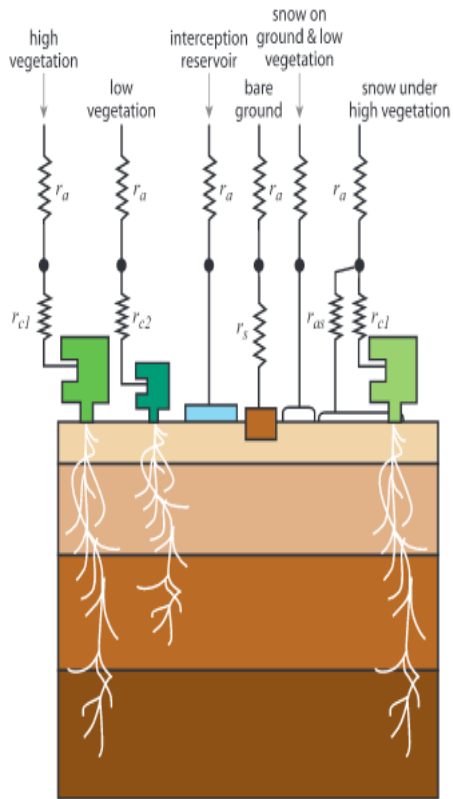
In October 2017, wildfires raged across northern Portugal and Galicia (Spain). The wildfires were made possible due to an intense drought and fueled by intense winds from Hurricane Ophelia. Arson is believed to be responsible for igniting many fires.

LSM : H-TESEL + LPJ-GUESS



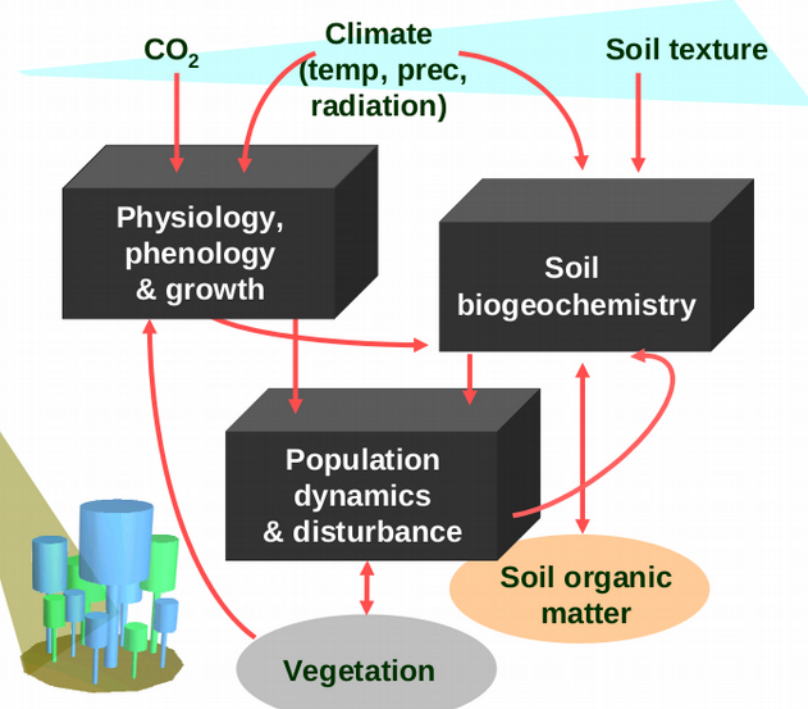
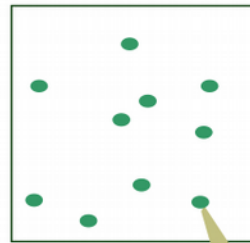
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Schematics of the land surface



LPJ-GUESS: A modular, individual-based process-oriented ecosystem model*

Stand (grid cell)



*Smith et al. 2001 *Global Ecology and Biogeography* 10: 621

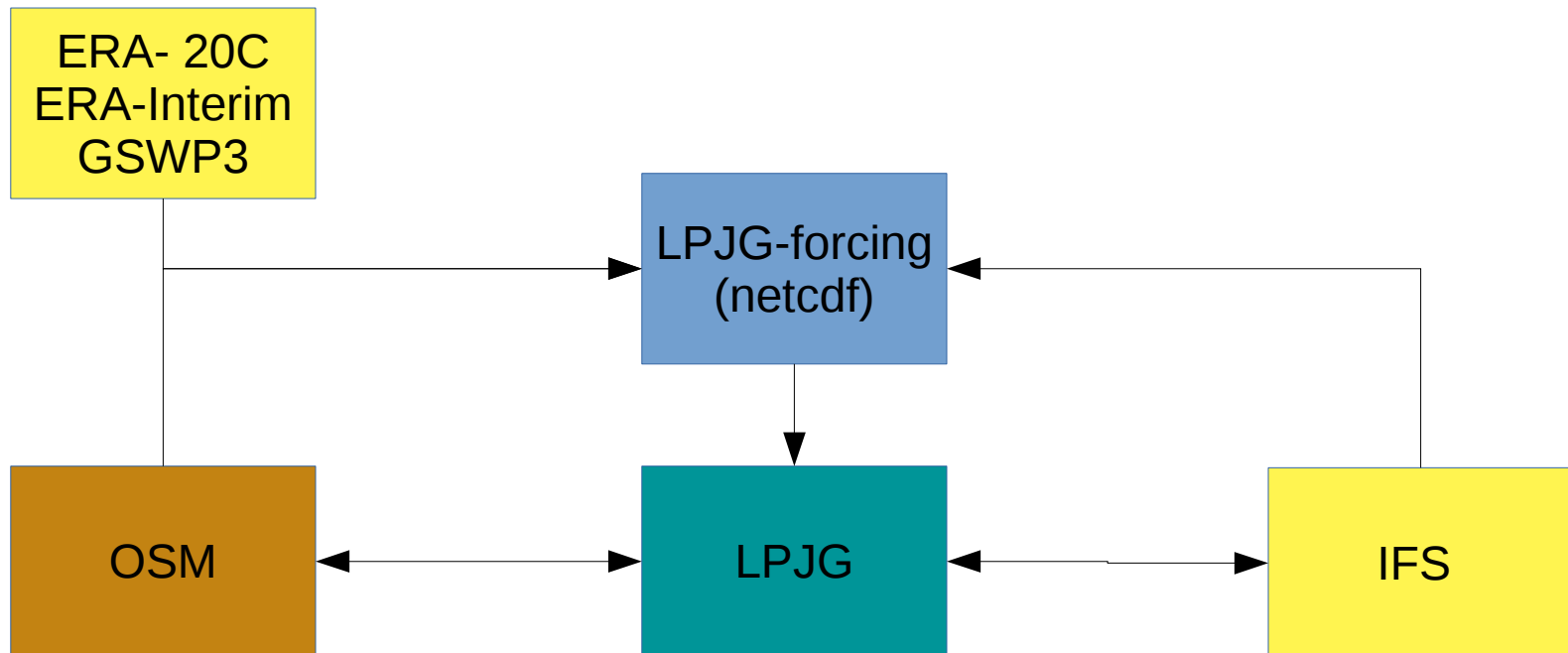
LSM (Land Surface Model) contains 3 components:

LPJG, as used in the ESM configuration

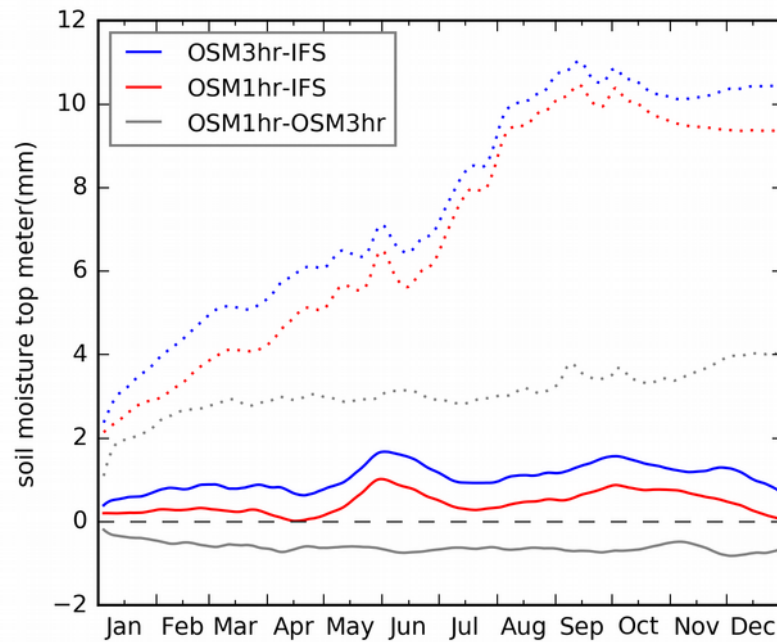
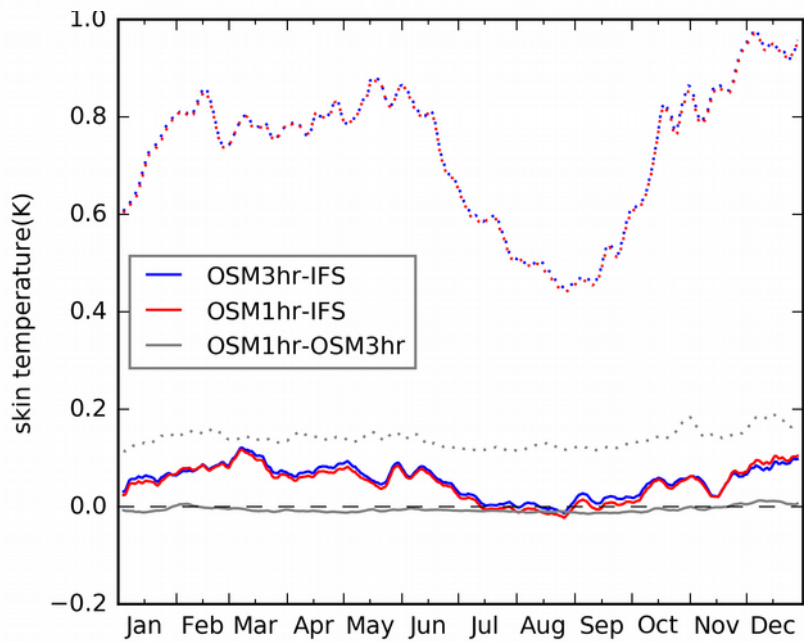
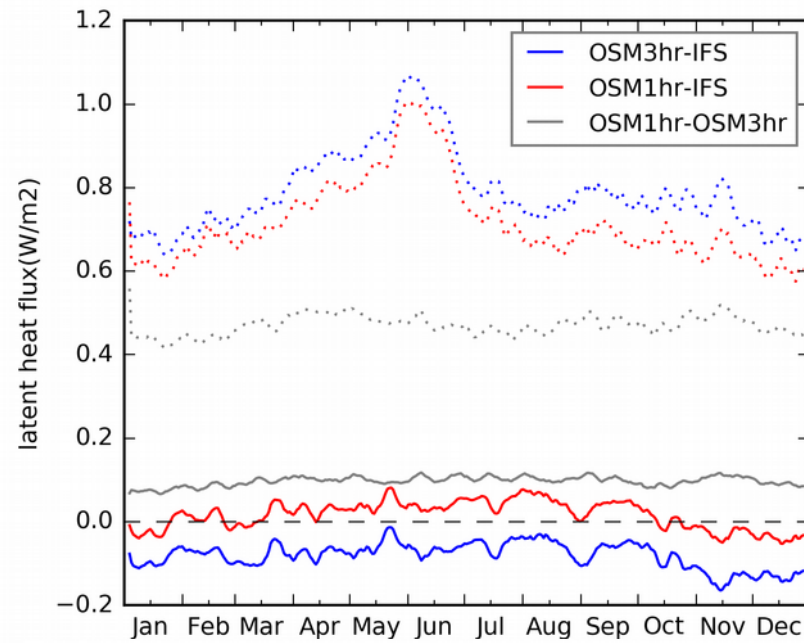
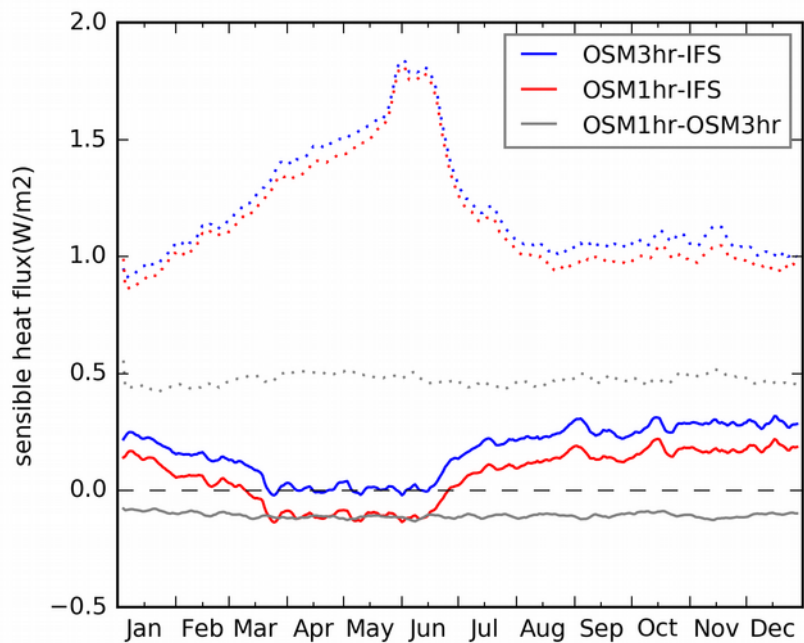
LPJG-forcing (aka Sparring), used to send atmospheric forcings to LPJG

OSM (Offline Surface Model), offline version of the IFS surface model (H-TESSSEL)

Forcings can be either From Reanalyses or IFS output

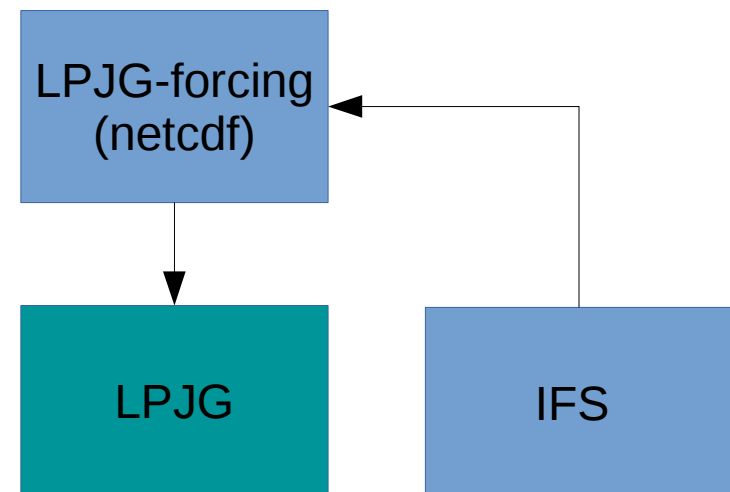
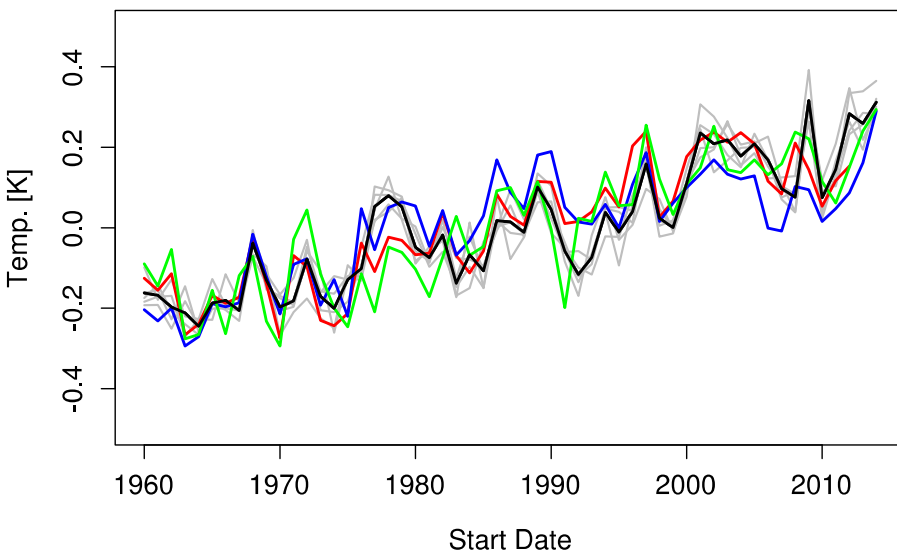


OSM validation – using IFS output



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Global Mean SST (1st Year)

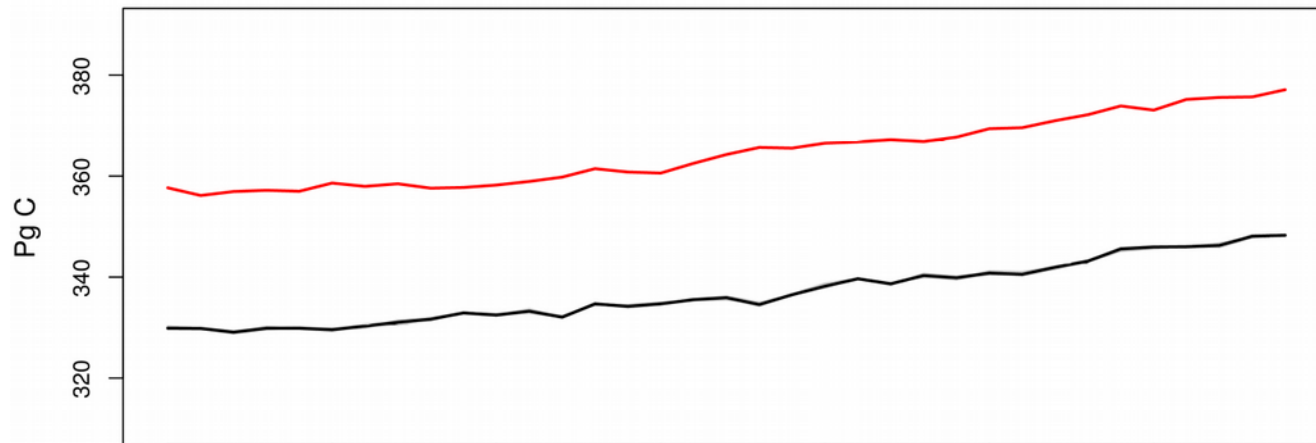


1st year DCPP vs ERA-Interim

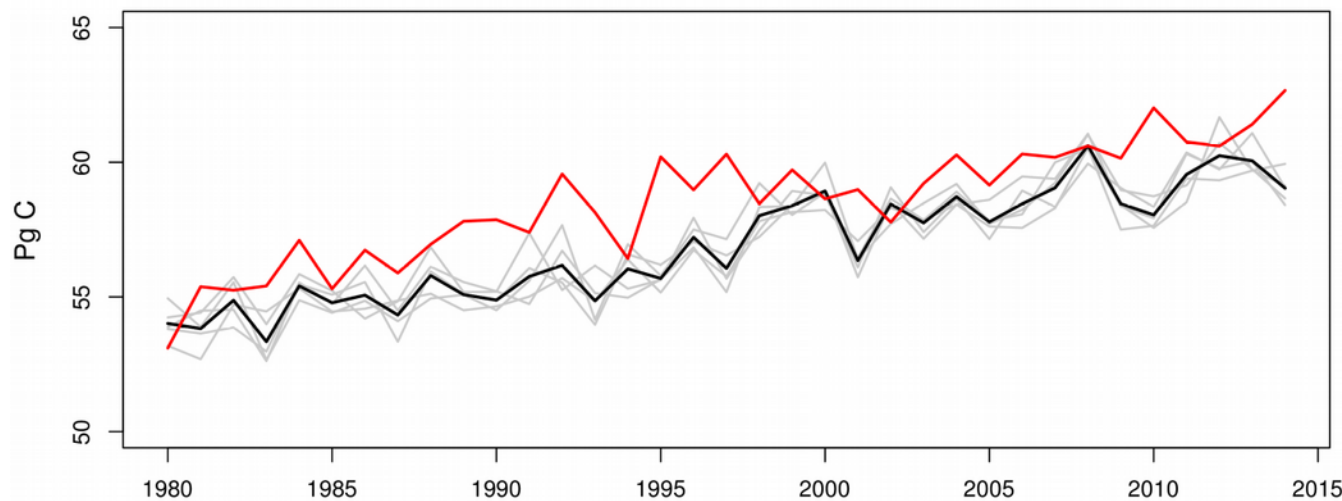


LPJG initial states from EC-Earth historical run,
Initialized with less vegetation Carbon than ERA-Interim forced offline run

cVeg - C in vegetation



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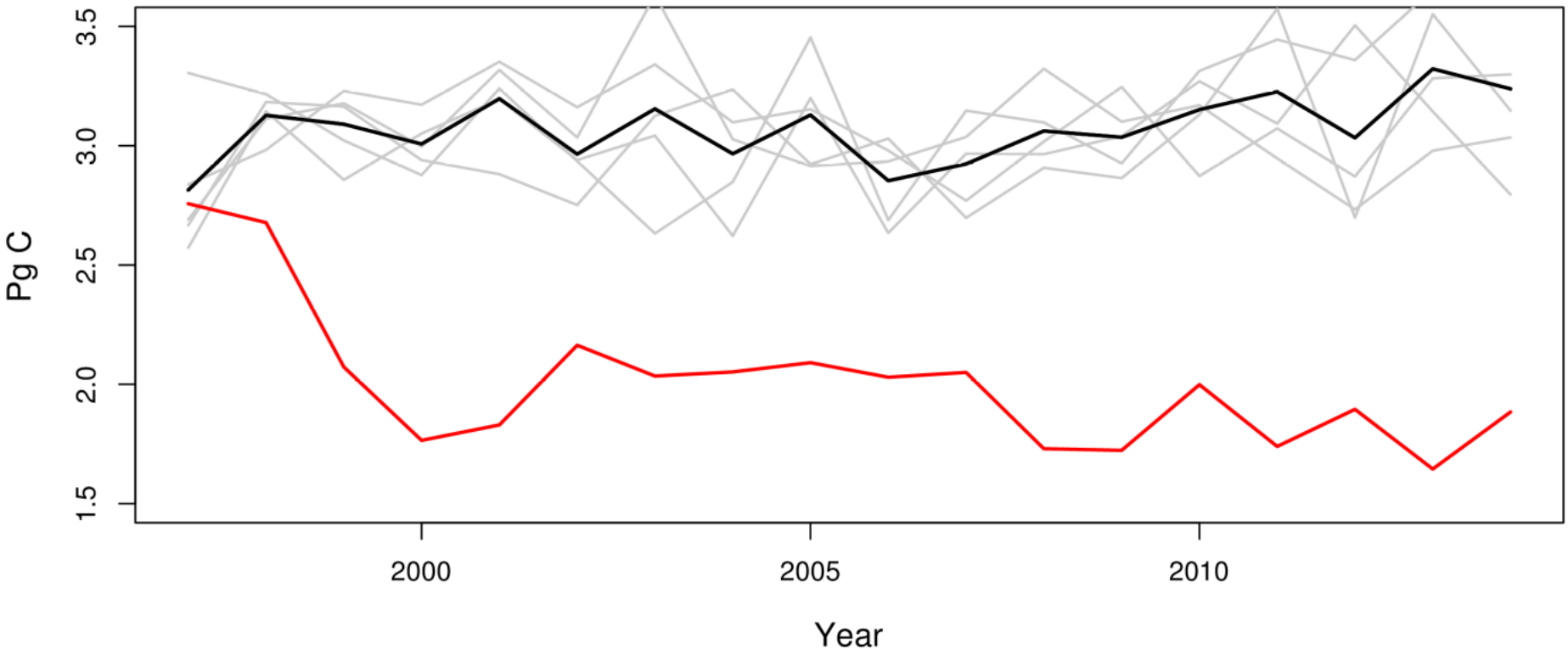
1st year DCPD vs. GFED emissions



Fluxes from the GlobFIRM fire model are higher than GFED emissions, Despite lower burned area (not shown). Large variability among ensemble members.

Hope is that better fire models (SIMFIRE/BLAZE, SPITFIRE) will perform better.

fFire - C flux due to wildfire

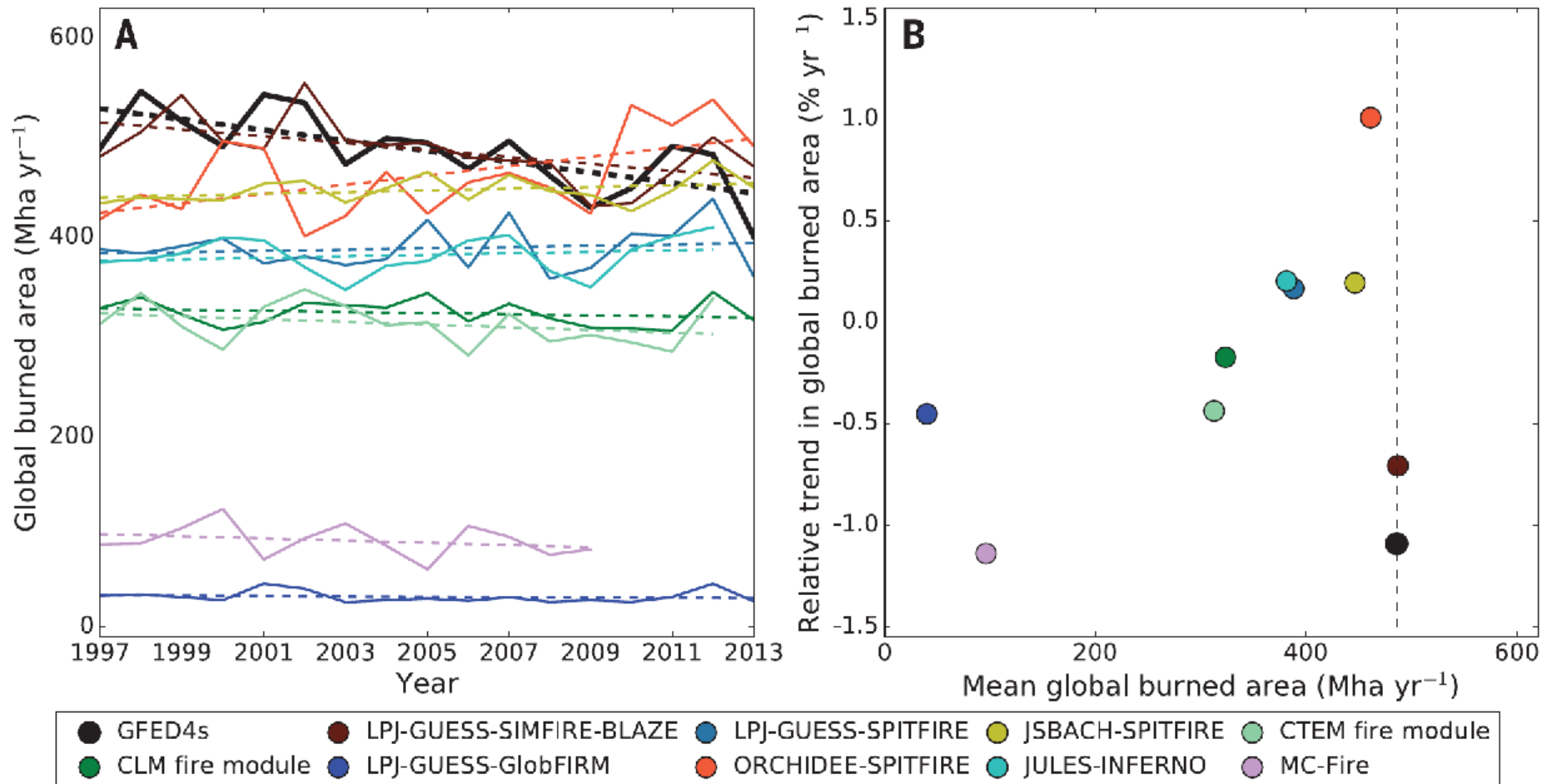


State of the art Wildfire models

Comparison of burned area simulated by several offline fire models (FIREMIP)

Current model in LPJG is the worst – GlobFIRM

The best is SIMFIRE-BLAZE – soon in our LPJG version!



- Uses of the EC-Earth offline LSM
 - Easy generation of Spinup / piControl / historical runs forced by reanalyses
 - Forcings from ERA20C / ERA-Interim / ERA5 / GSWP3
 - Can be used to generate ERA-Land initial conditions for IFS, using the same land model
 - Use in CMIP6 : LS3MIP, LUMIP & DCPD
- Contributions to LPJ-GUESS
 - Compressed output of text files – much faster offline runs, used by Paul Miller for GSWP3
 - Testing and improvement of fire models (SIMFIRE/BLAZE, SPITFIRE) in the EC-Earth framework
 - Development of “full” restarts in the middle of the year



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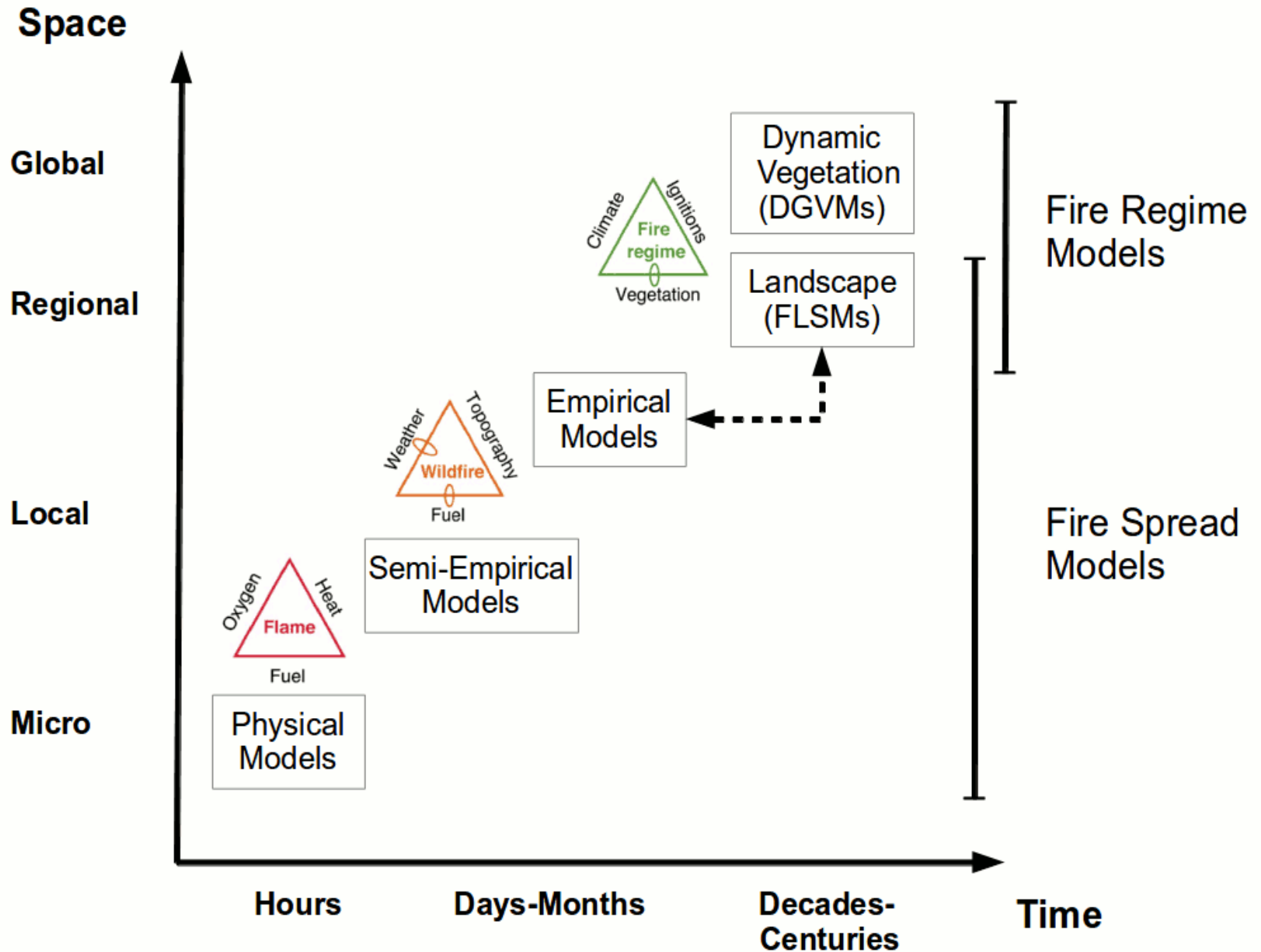


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- Seasonal Prediction of Fire danger using Statistical and Dynamical models (SPFireSD) is a MARIE Skłodowska-CURIE ACTIONS Individual Fellowship (MSCA-IF)
- SPFireSD proposes to develop and assess seasonal fire prediction capability through a variety of complementary and innovative methods using statistical and dynamical models, with a focus on Europe, the Amazonian basin and Indonesia.
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 - 2) **Statistical approach**: statistical fire danger models using a combination of past observational data and seasonal dynamical climate forecasts
 - 3) **Dynamical approach: ensemble dynamical predictions** using state-of-the-art fire models within Earth System Models (LPJ-Guess part of the EC-Earth Earth System Model)

Fire modeling across scales

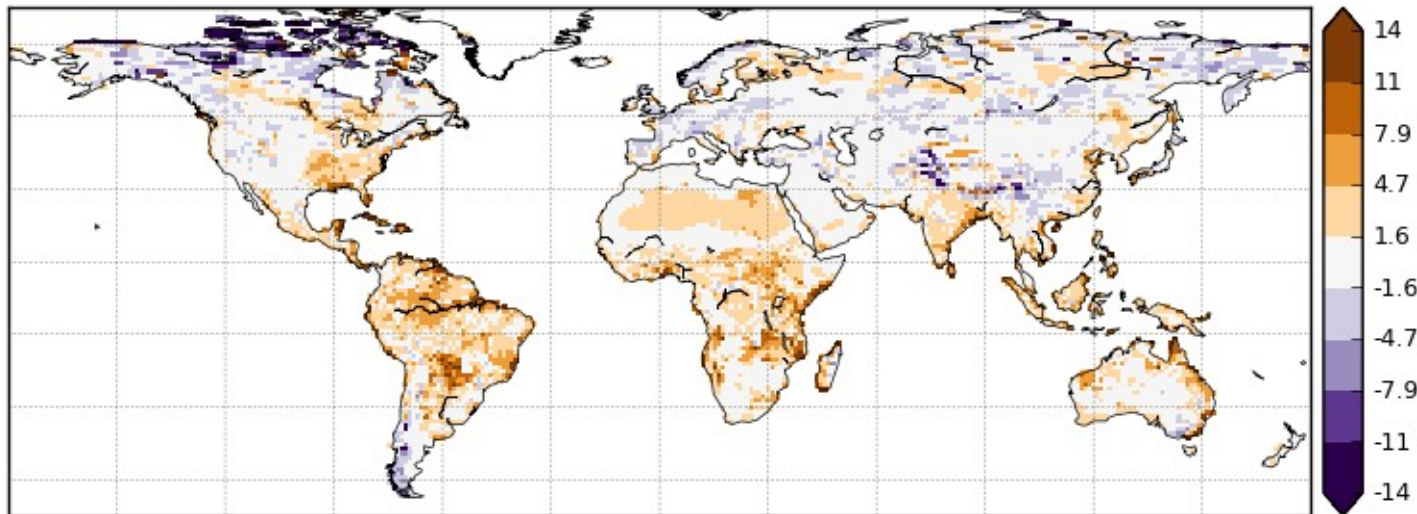


- WHY?
 - Easy tool for quick testing & validation
 - Requirements for CMIP6 (LUMIP, LS3MIP, etc.) & other projects
 - Development of new codes quick & easy
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 - Sept. 2018 – used by Paul Miller for GSWP3 runs, KNMI for H-TESEL studies

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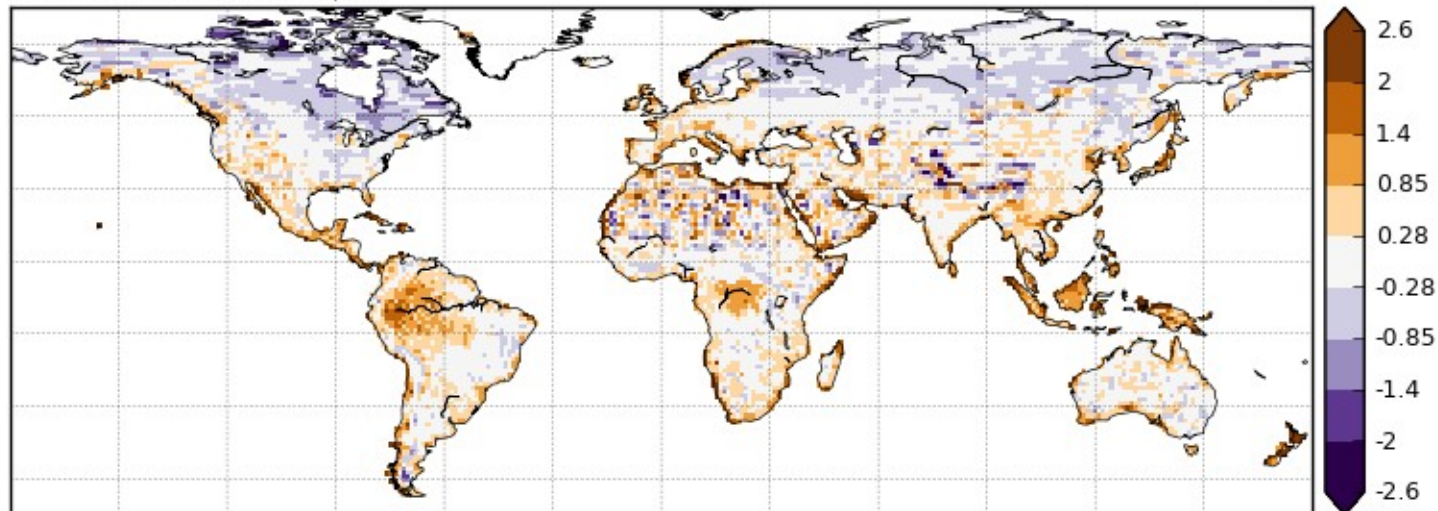
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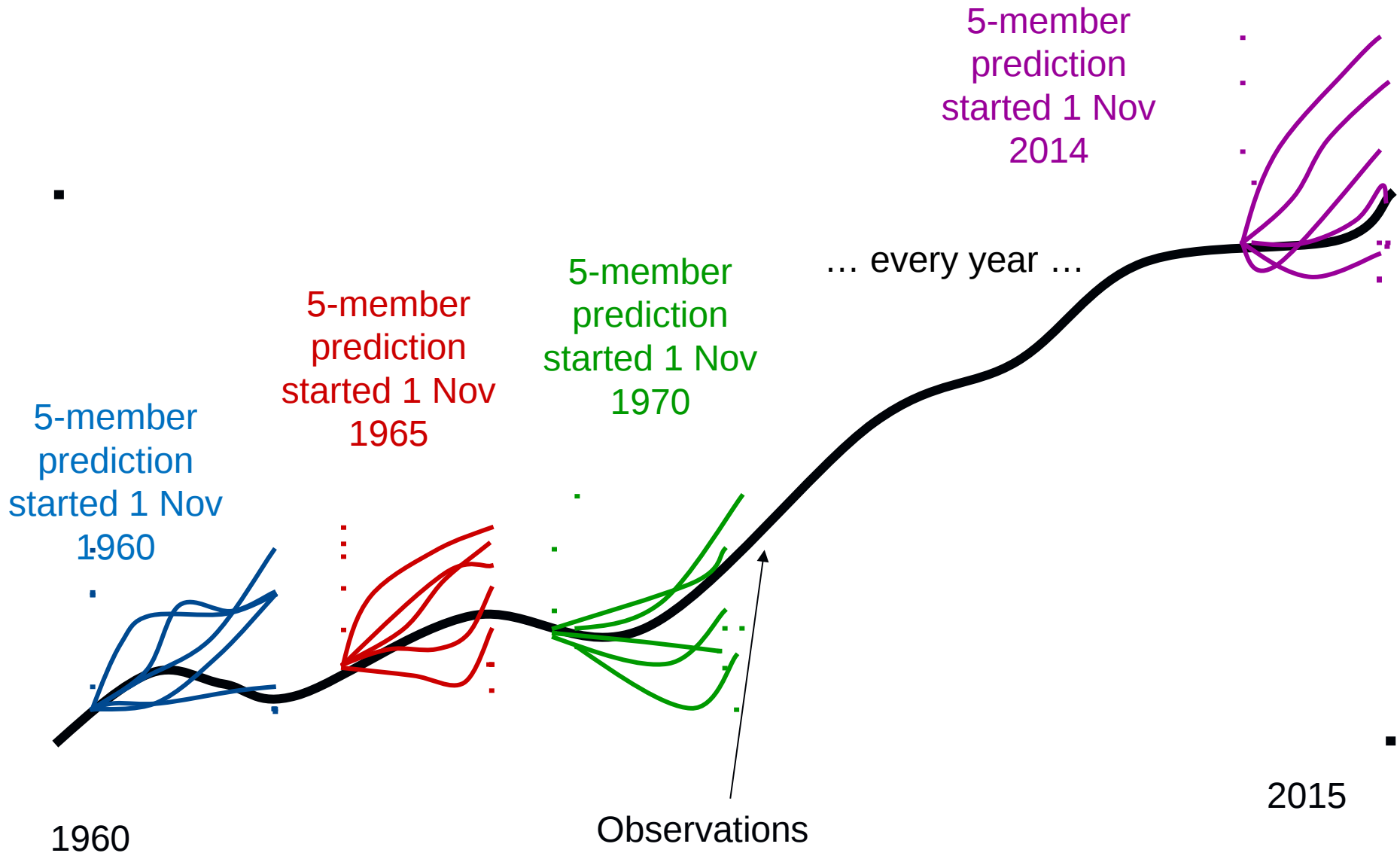


mean(OSM3hr-IFS): sshf(W/m2)

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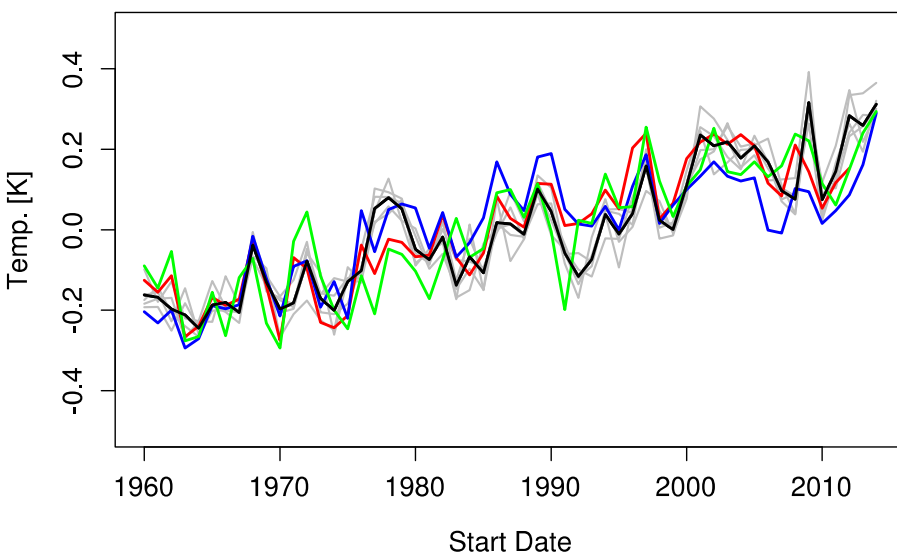


Climate prediction experiments

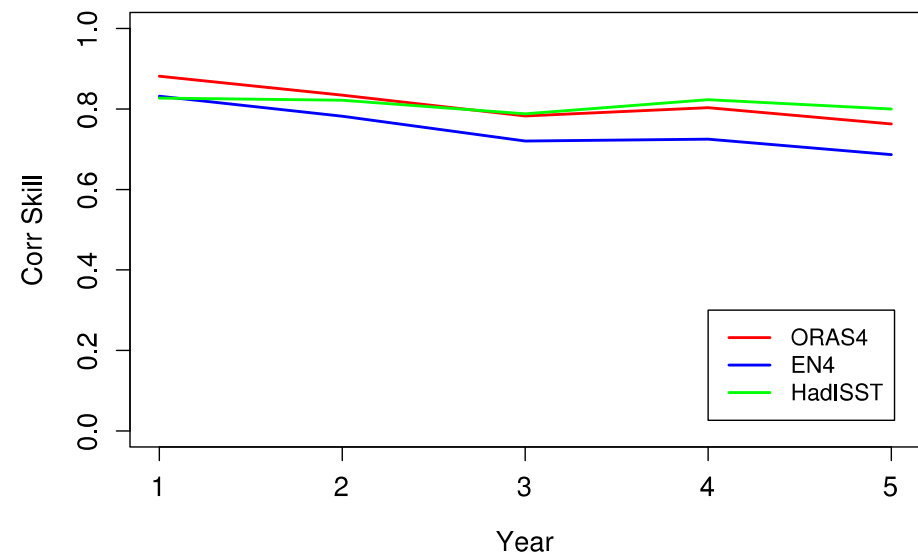


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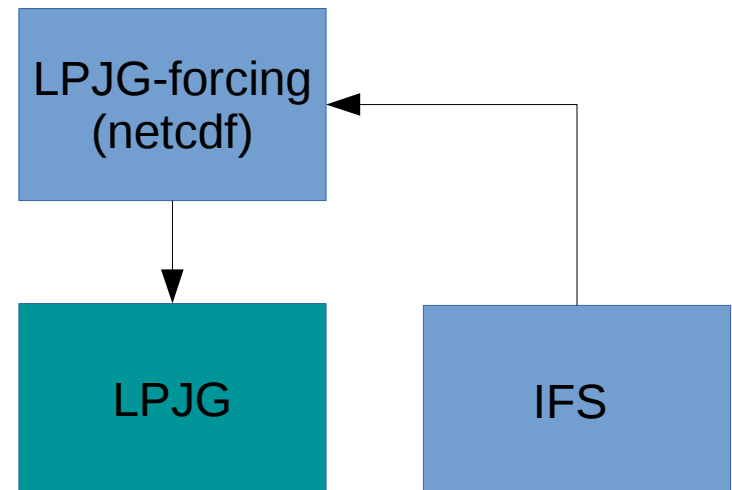
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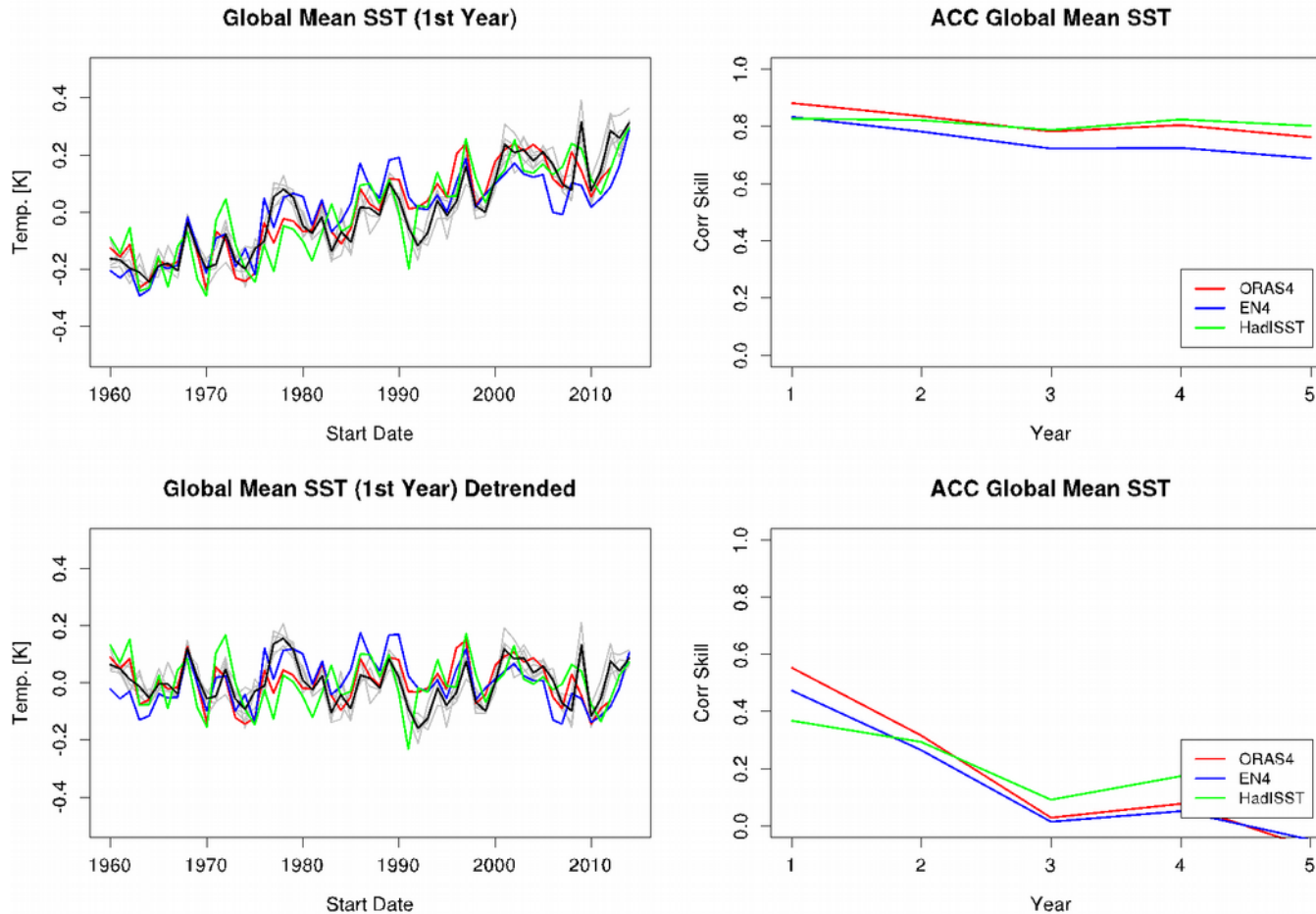


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 - 1 hour to run 5 years on 2 nodes
 - 1 hour to CMORize on 1 node!!!

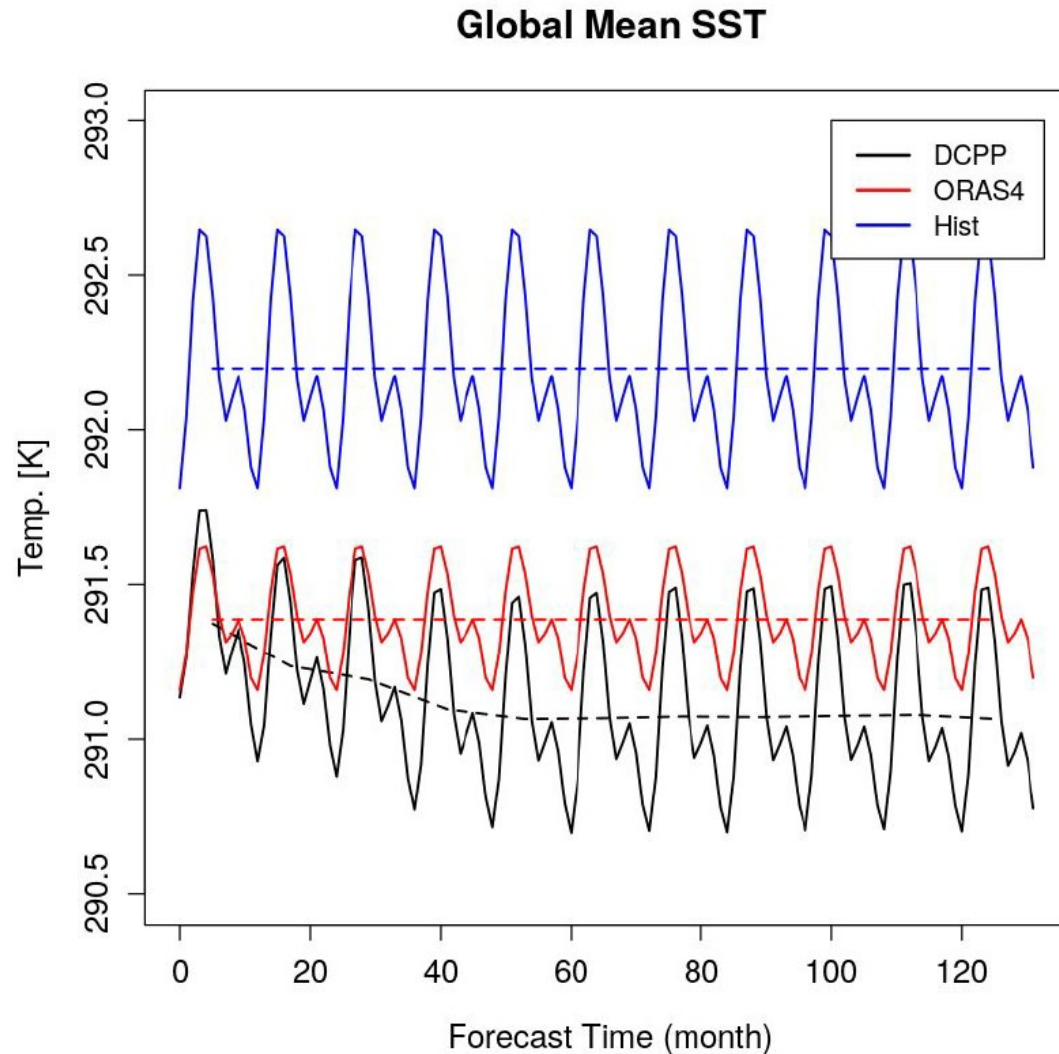


Predictability of ocean variables

Global Mean SST



Global mean temperature is also largely predictable due to global warming trend. 41

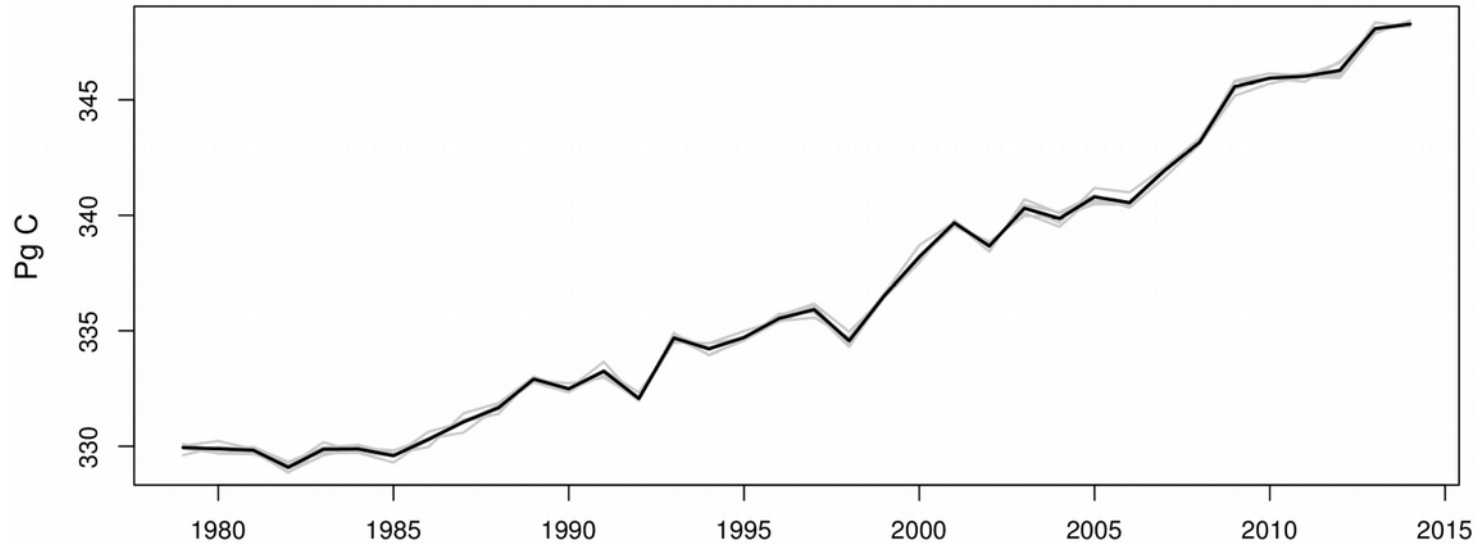


- Stronger seasonal cycle in model
- Predictions drift away from historicals
- Different attractor in historical and decadal experiments

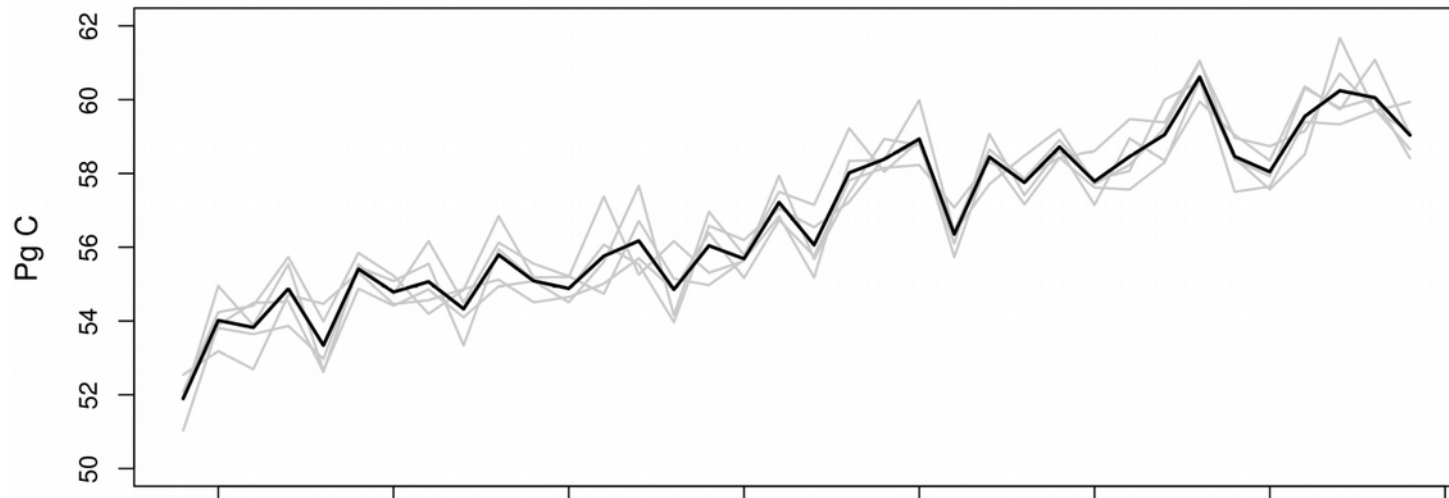
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- The Future of LSM development
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 - Integration of LS3MIP changes into surf/offline
 - Use in CMIP6 & beyond : LS3MIP, LUMIP & DCPP/CCiCC
- Future work in wildfire modeling
 - In-depth analysis of results, compared to (few) observations
 - Compare to offline runs driven by reanalyses
 - Integrate better fire models with help from partners in Lund University - SIMFIRE/BLAZE
 - Use these new models in offline decadal hindcast runs – very cheap!

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- History:
 - ??? Uwe, Paul Miller develop the Sparring, which simulates the IFS by sending and receiving data to LPJG via OASIS calls, Klaus develops script to convert IFS output to daily netcdf files
 - July 2017 – Dec 2017 : development of the initial ece-lsm.sh script by Etienne, with help from Paul, Lars & Peter Anthoni, merged into the initial ESM branch (issue #412)
 - Nov. 2017 – Jan 2018 : Development of the OSM by Emanuel Dutra “off-line HTESSSEL model downgraded from openIFS (cy43r1)” (issues #380 #458)
 - July 2018 – Nov. 2018 : coupling htessel and lpjg by Emanuel Dutra (issue #572)
 - Nov. 2018 – today : bugfixes and optimizations, synced with 3.3.1 by Etienne, multiple resolution support (issues #555, #596)

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 - OSM only: 10 minutes/year
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- Configurations:
 - IFS → OSM (for testing)
 - ERA-20C/Interim → OSM → LPJG-forcing → LPJG
 - ERA-20C/Interim → OSM ↔ LPJG
 - IFS → LPJG-forcing → LPJG (e.g. DCPP)

- ERA-Interim LPJG-offline experiment (a1xx):
 - LPJG states from Klaus' t613 run (EC_Earth-Veg)
 - Yearly forcings from ERA-Interim, processed by OSM with the cmip6 (t613) ifs_vegetation_source

- DCPP LPJG-offline experiment (a1wj):
 - Same states as a1xx
 - Daily output from DCPP hindcasts (1960-2015), 5 years, 5 members
 - 1 hour to run 5 years on 2 nodes
 - 1 hour to CMORize on 1 node!!!

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- The Future of LSM development
 - Pending merge into trunk: LPJG vendor drop for compressed output, correct bug found in OSM → LPJG
 - scientific validation & testing by others
 - Integration of LS3MIP changes into surf/offline
 - Use in CMIP6 : LS3MIP, LUMIP & DCPP/CCiCC