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On the (technical) path to a high-resolution decadal prediction system with EC-Earth3

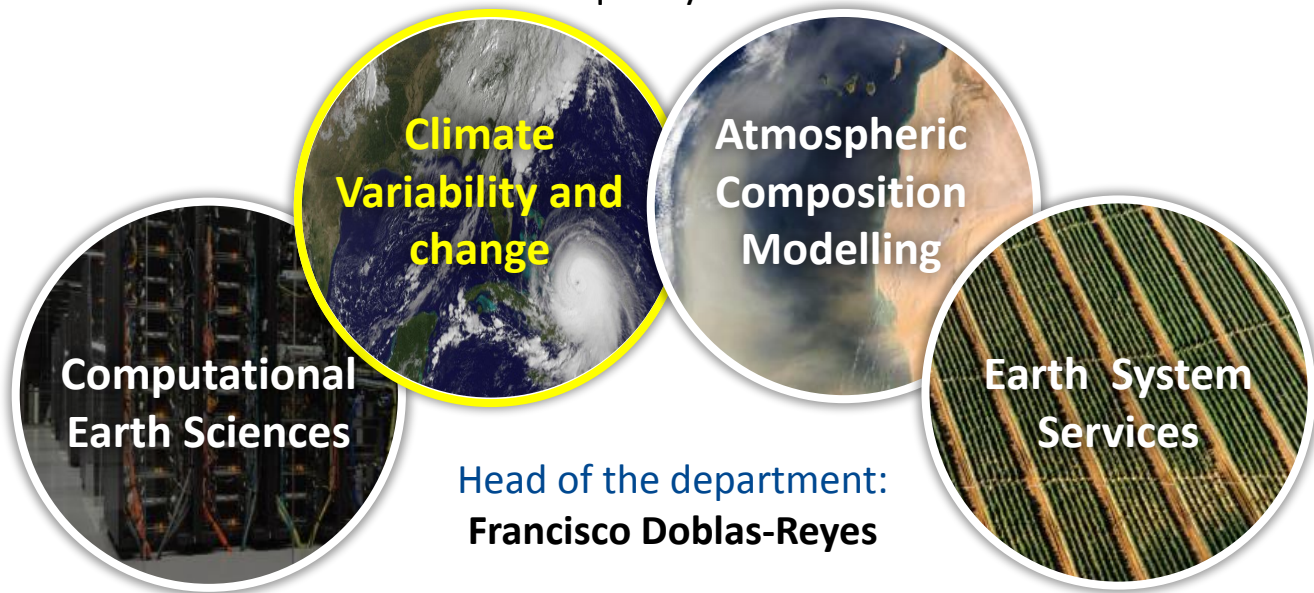
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BSC- Earth Sciences Department

Environmental modelling and forecasting, with a particular focus on weather, climate and air quality



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Context

- Decadal prediction:

Growing interest for decision-making purposes (agriculture, energy, water management)

Signal to Noise Paradox (Scaife and Smith, 2018; Hardiman et al. 2022)

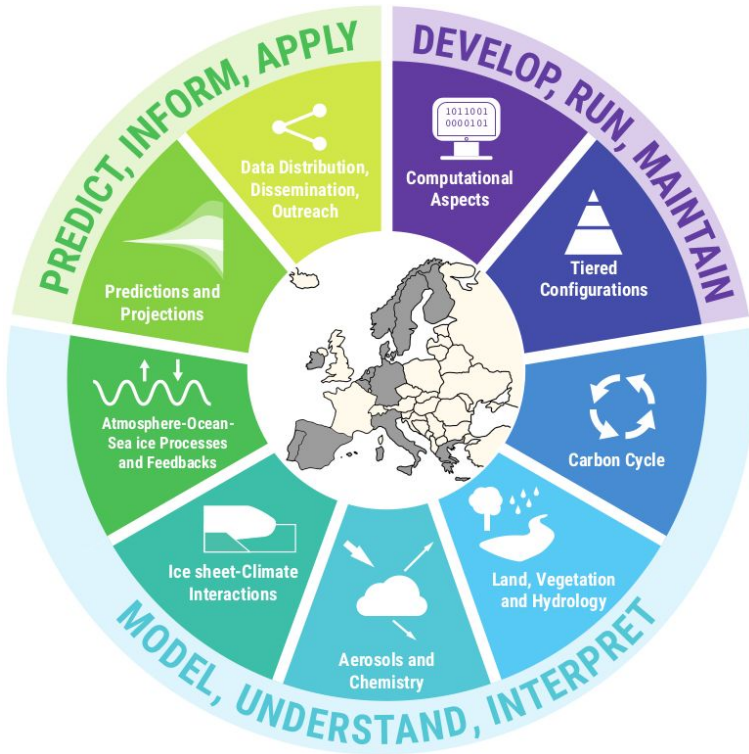
- High resolution: eddies permitting

Representation of previously unresolved processes (e.g. ocean eddies) that are important for **ocean-atmosphere interactions**

→ Expectation to better reproduce both climate mean state and variability

Seasonal forecasts: Prodhomme et al., 2016; Scaife et al., 2019; Kumar et al., 2022

EC-Earth - European community Earth-System model

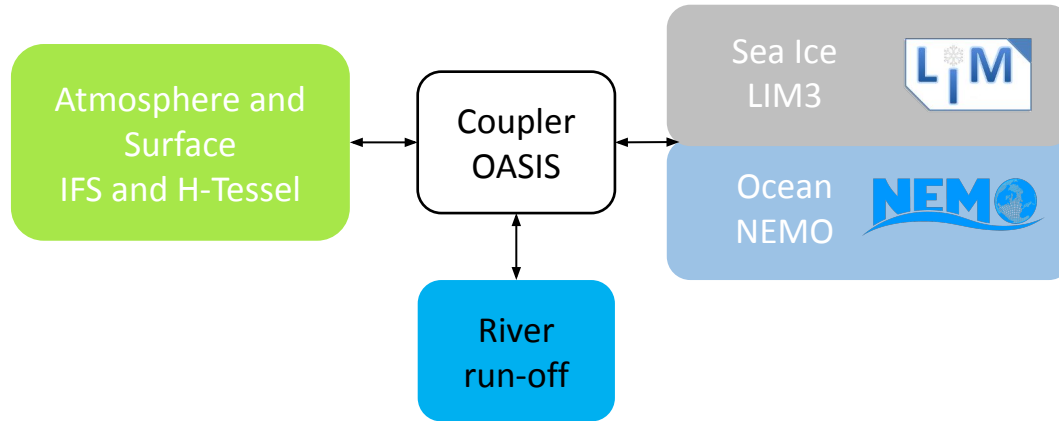


EC-Earth3 configuration	atmosphere	ocean	vegetation	atmospheric chemistry	marine biogeochemistry	land ice	CMIP6 MIP list in which the configuration participated
	IFS	NEMO	LPJ-GUESS	TM5	PISCES	PISM	
EC-Earth3	✓	✓					CMIP,DCPP,LS3MIP,PAMIP,RFMIP,ScenarioMIP,VoIMIP,CORDEX,DynVarMIP,SIMIP,VIACSAB
EC-Earth3-LR	✓	✓					CMIP,PMIP
EC-Earth3-Veg	✓	✓	✓				CDRMIP,CMIP,LUMIP,LS3MIP,ScenarioMIP
EC-Earth3-Veg-LR	✓	✓	✓				CMIP,PMIP,ScenarioMIP
EC-Earth3-AerChem	✓	✓		✓			AerChemMIP,CMIP,RFMIP
EC-Earth3-CC	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		C4MIP,DCPP,CDRMIP,CMIP,LUMIP,OMIP,ScenarioMIP
EC-Earth3-GrisIS	✓	✓				✓	CMIP,ISMIP6,PMIP
EC-Earth3-HR	✓	✓					CMIP,DCPP,HighResMIP

<https://ec-earth.org/>

Döscher *et al.* Geosci. Model Dev. (2022)

EC-Earth3.3 - AOGCM



EC-Earth3.3 - Resolutions

Model Components

Standard Resolution (SR)

IFS (Atmospheric Model):

T255 ~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):

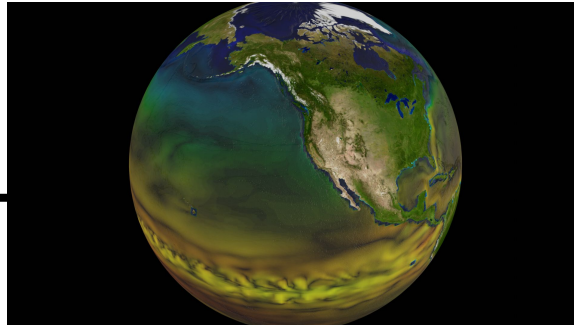
Multiple (5) ice category

High Resolution (HR)

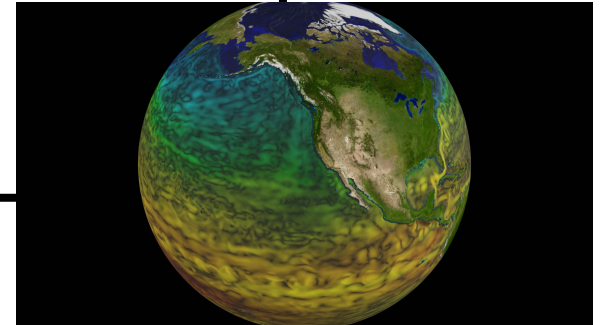
T511 ~40km

Nominal 0.25° resolution

Courtesy of O. Tinto

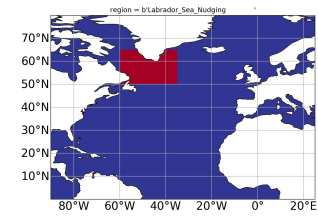


ORCA grid 1°

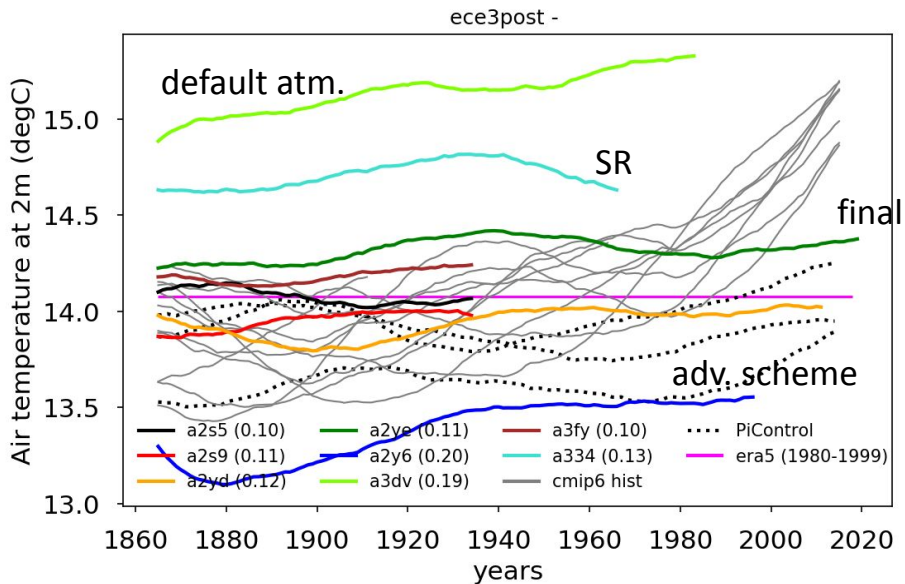


ORCA grid 0.25°

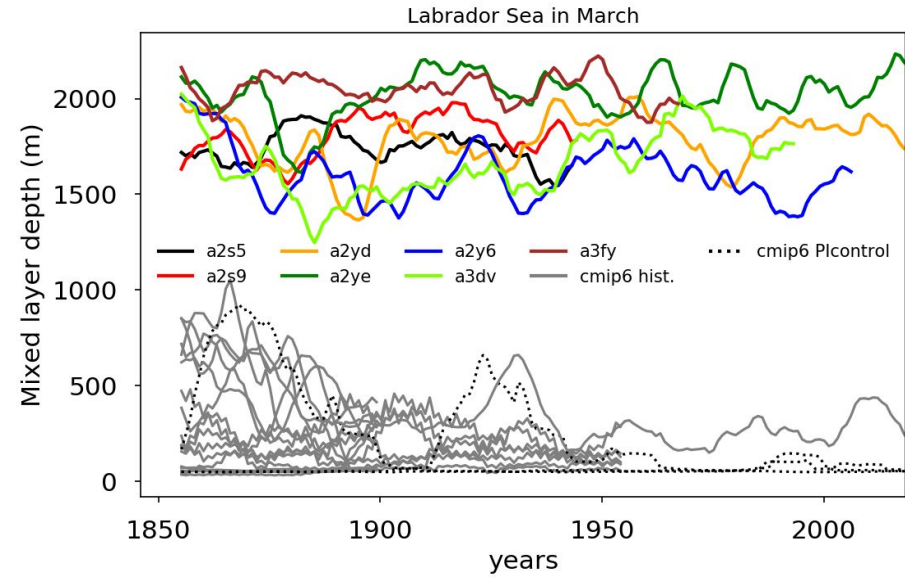
Tuning of the HR configuration



Surface air temperature

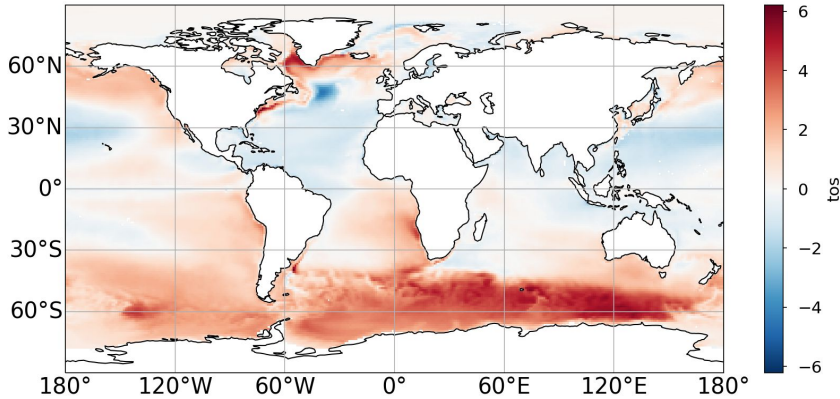


Mixed layer depth

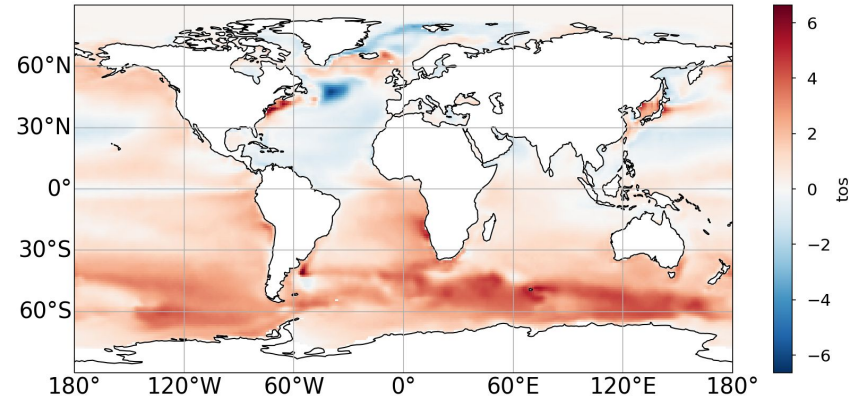


SST bias maps - tuned versions

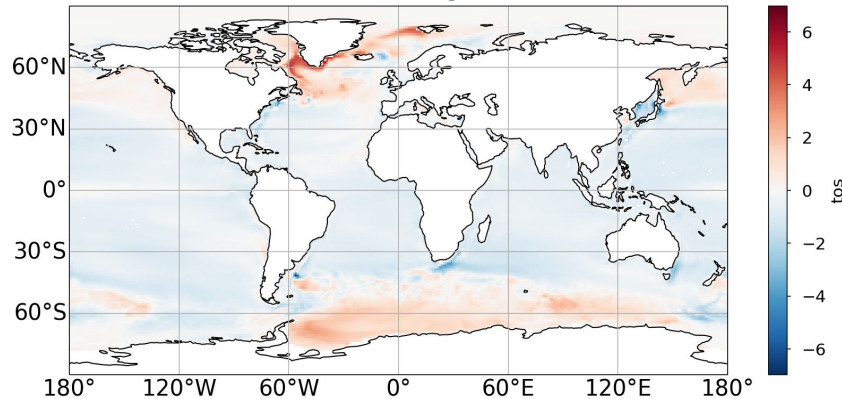
HR - OBS



SR - OBS



HR - SR



OBS: Hadisst (1980-1999)
EXP: last 70 years

HR slightly colder than SR overall
but with regional differences.

Initial conditions of the forecast systems

Atmospheric Reanalysis

ERA5

Ocean Reconstruction

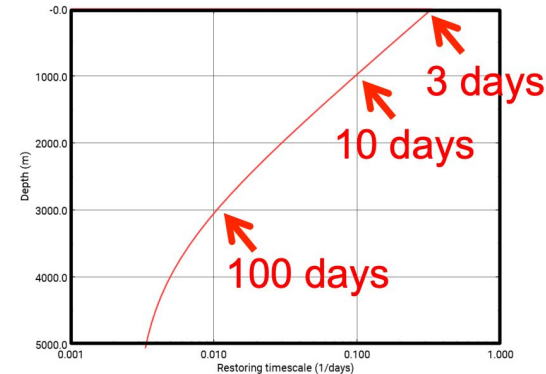
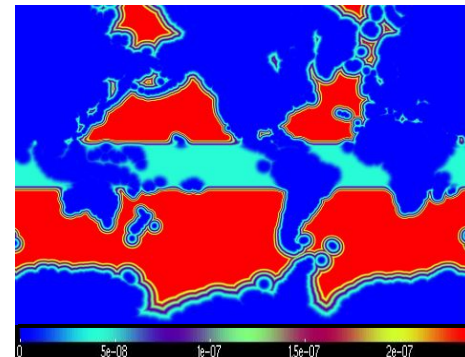
- ERA5 surface fluxes
- ORAS5 restoring at the surface
- EN4 nudging in the subsurface

Default surface
restoring coefficients

$$\gamma_T = -200 \text{ W/m}^2/\text{K}$$

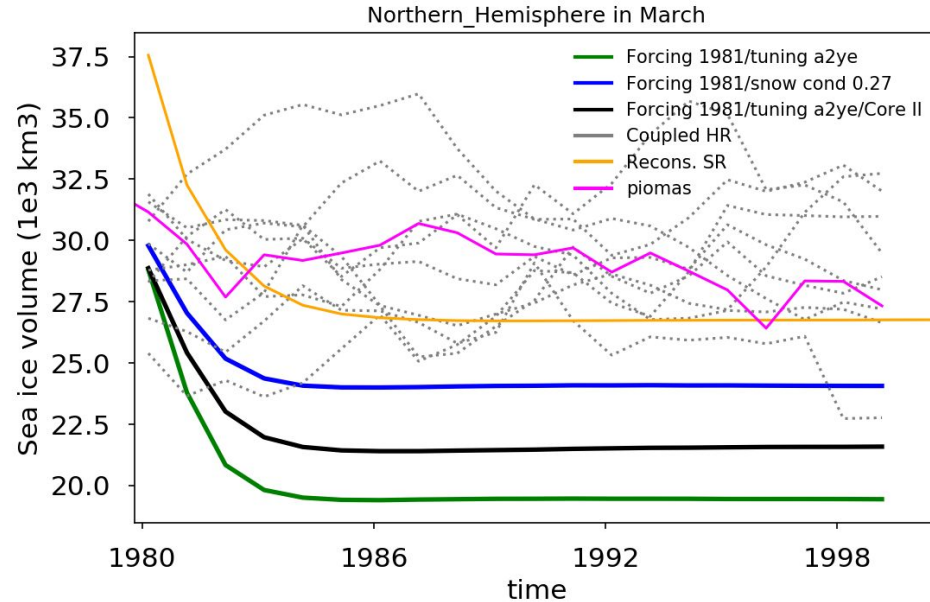
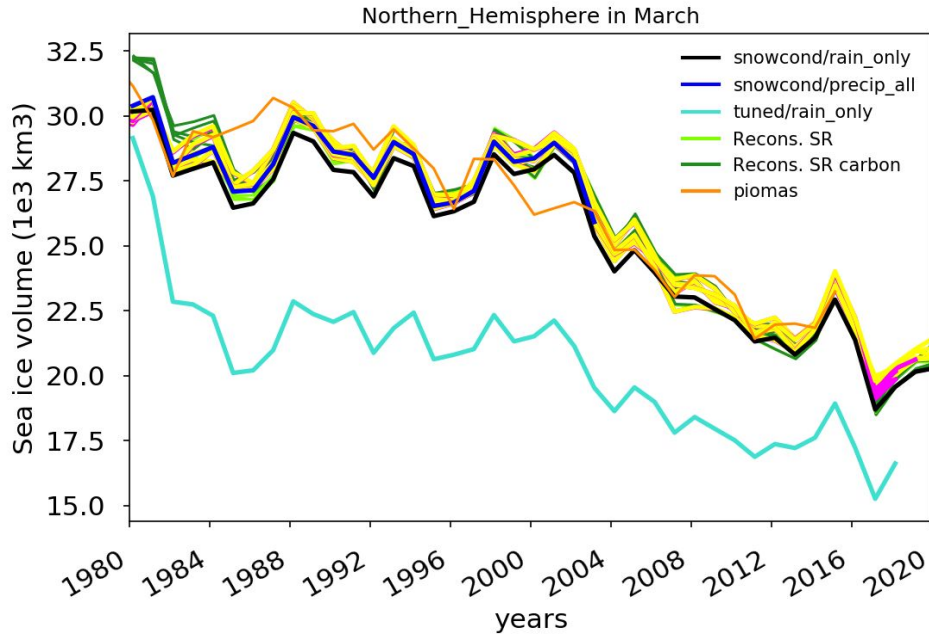
$$\gamma_S = -750 \text{ kg/m}^2/\text{s/psu}$$

3D restoring timescales



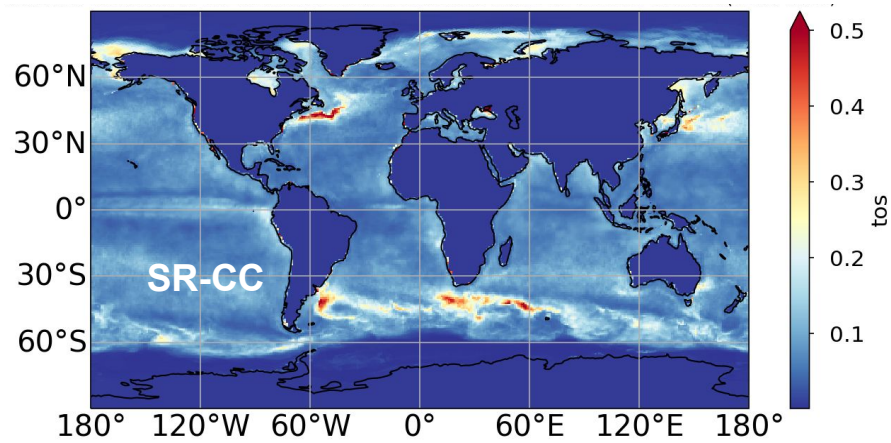
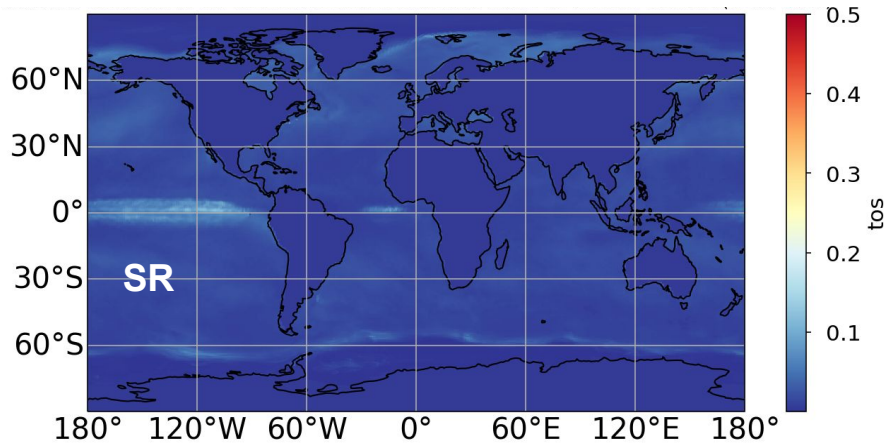
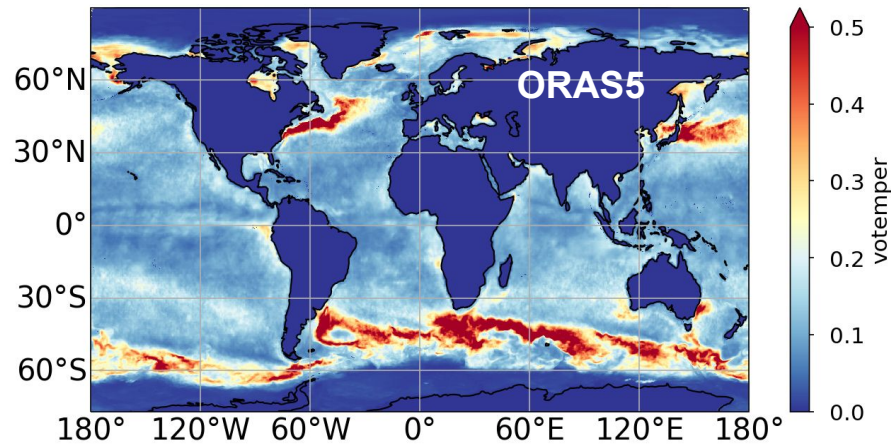
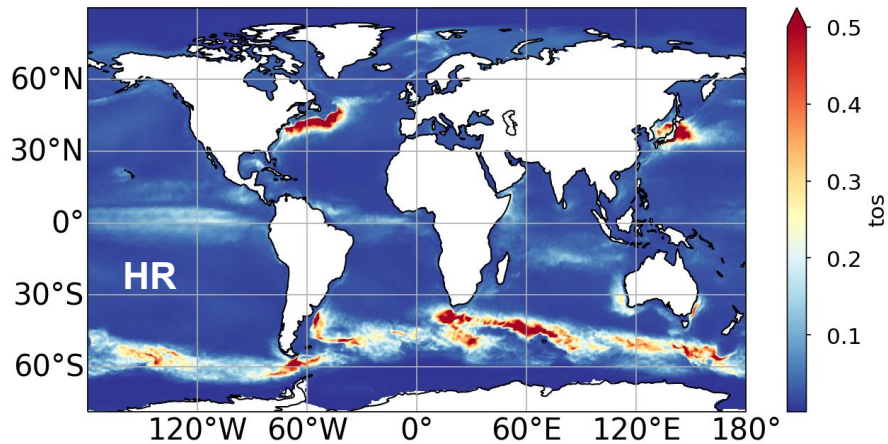
Some issues encountered

Impact of the snow conductivity value



among others...

Low spread between members in SR



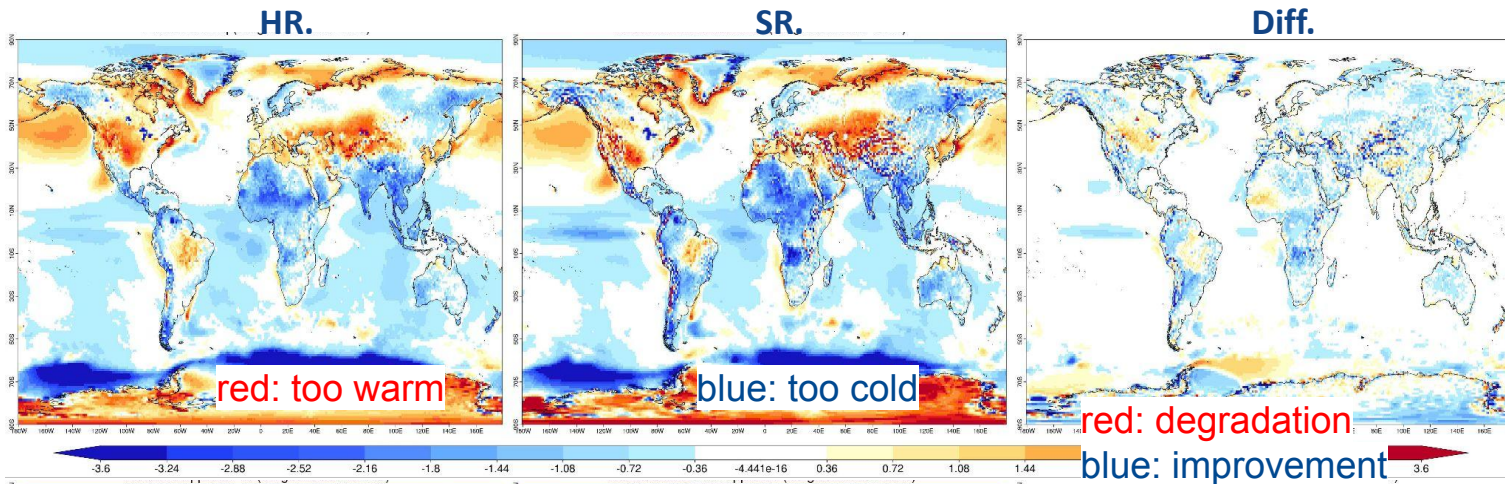
Seasonal forecast systems

Model	Forecast start-dates and length	Number of members	Atmospheric initialisation	Oceanic initialisation
EC-Earth3.3-SR EC-Earth3.3-HR	1990-2015 8 months	20	ERA5	in-house reconstructions ORCA1 ORCA25
CNRM-CM6.1 ~Sys7	1993-2014 6 months	30	ERA-interim	Glorys 2v4 Glorys 12v1

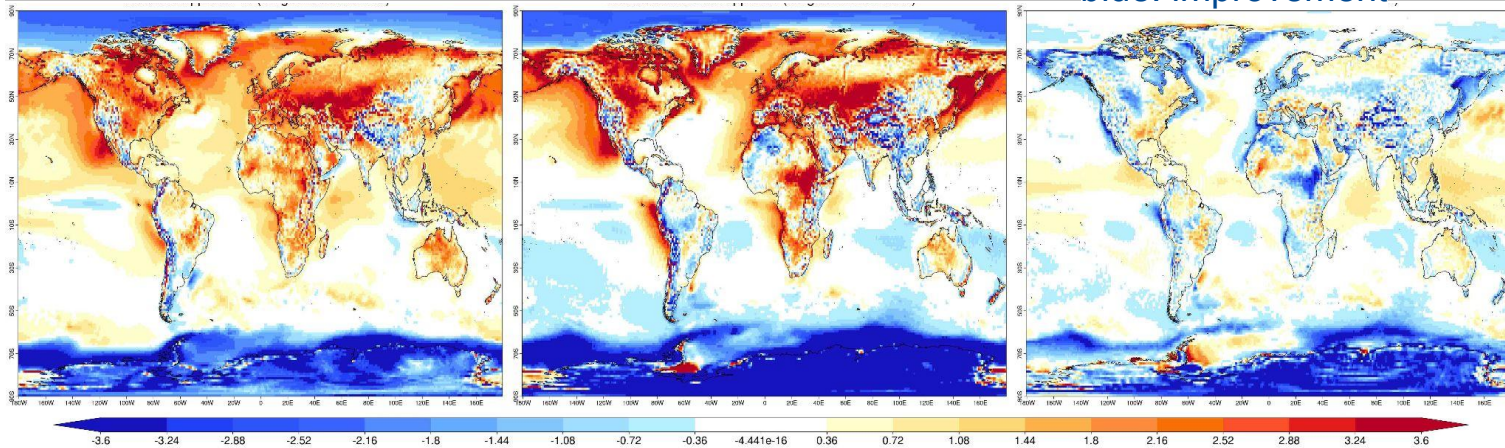
2 initialisations: May and November

Maps of bias: TAS - Init. in May, JJA mean

EC-Earth3.3



CNRM-CM6



Seasonal forecast system

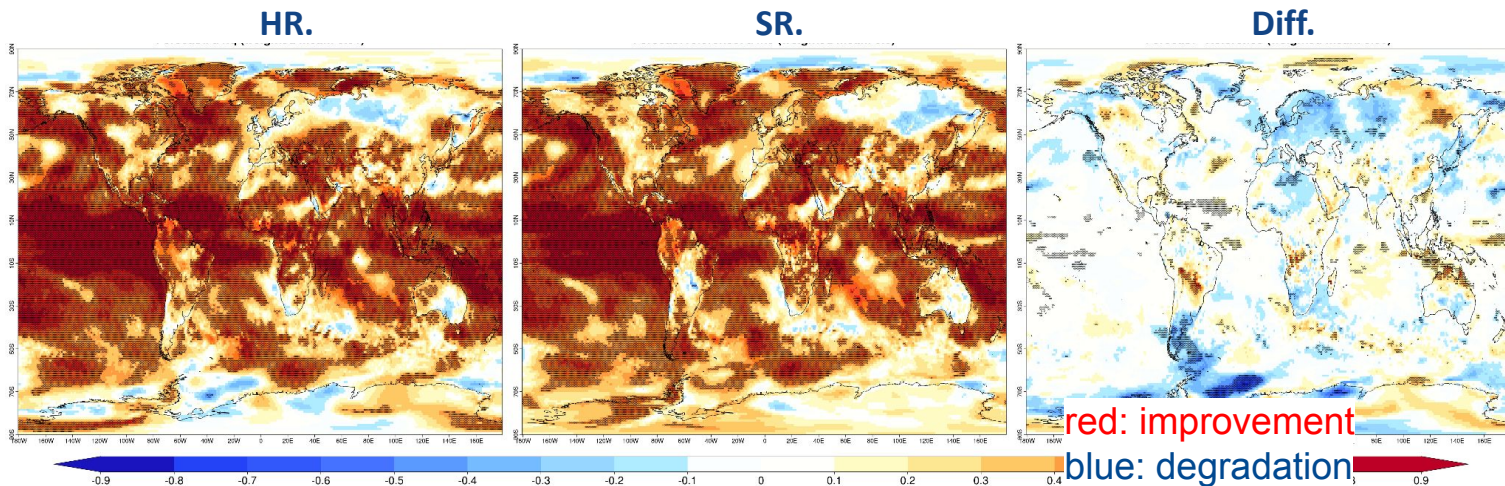
20 members

23 startdates (1993-2014)

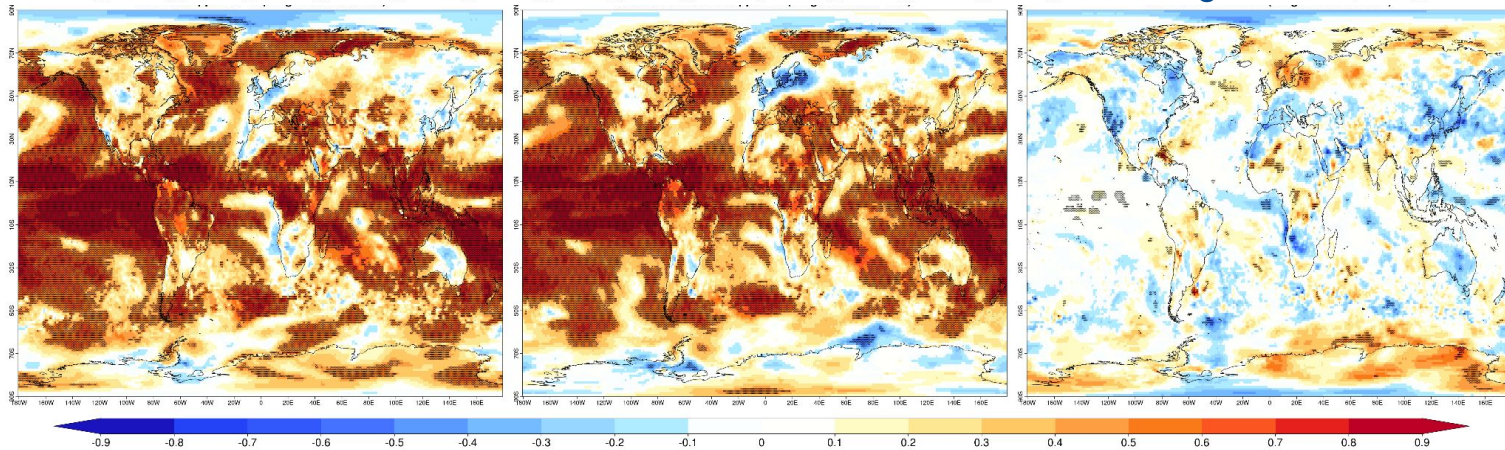
Reference: ERA5 - TAS

Maps of ACC: TAS - Init. in May, JJA mean

EC-Earth3.3



CNRM-CM6



Seasonal forecast system
20 members
23 startdates (1993-2014)

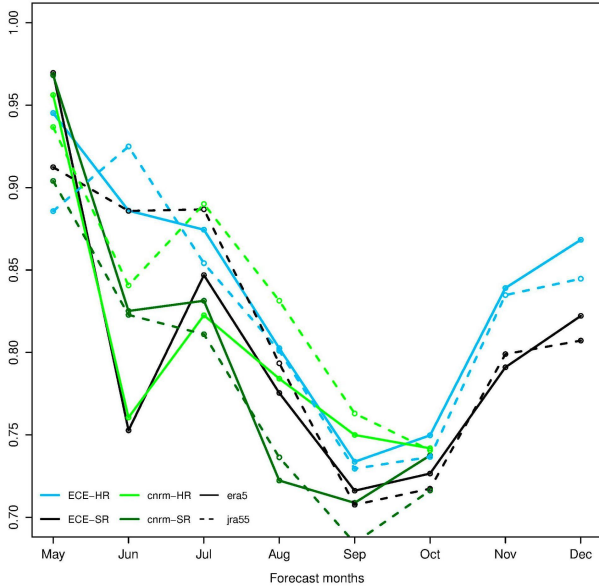
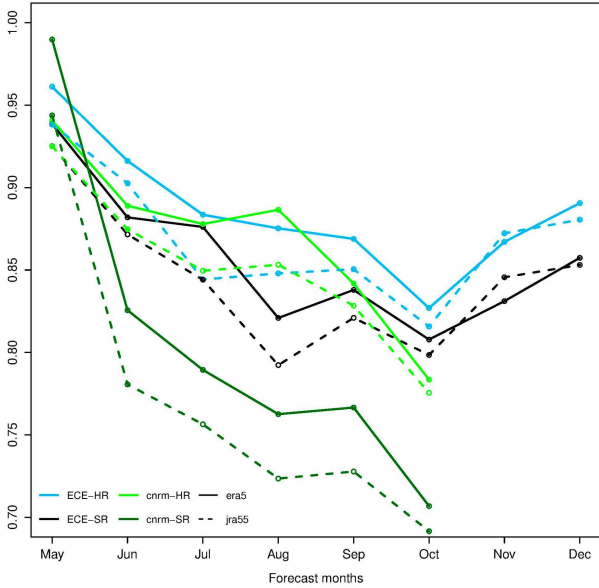
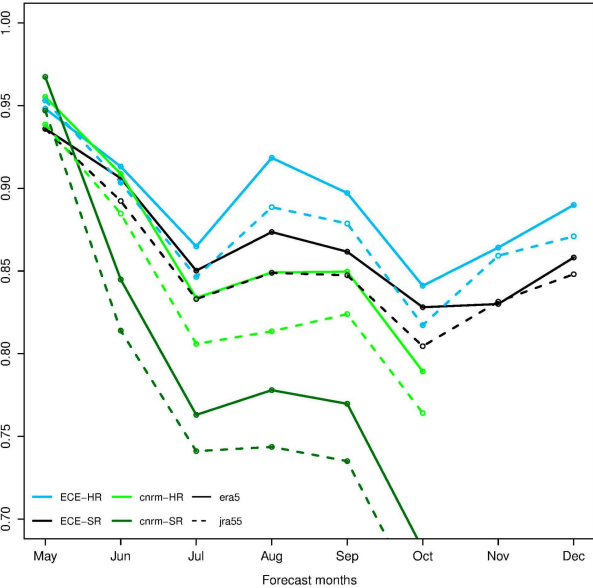
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Anomaly Correlation Coefficients in Nino regions

Nino3

Nino3.4

Nino4



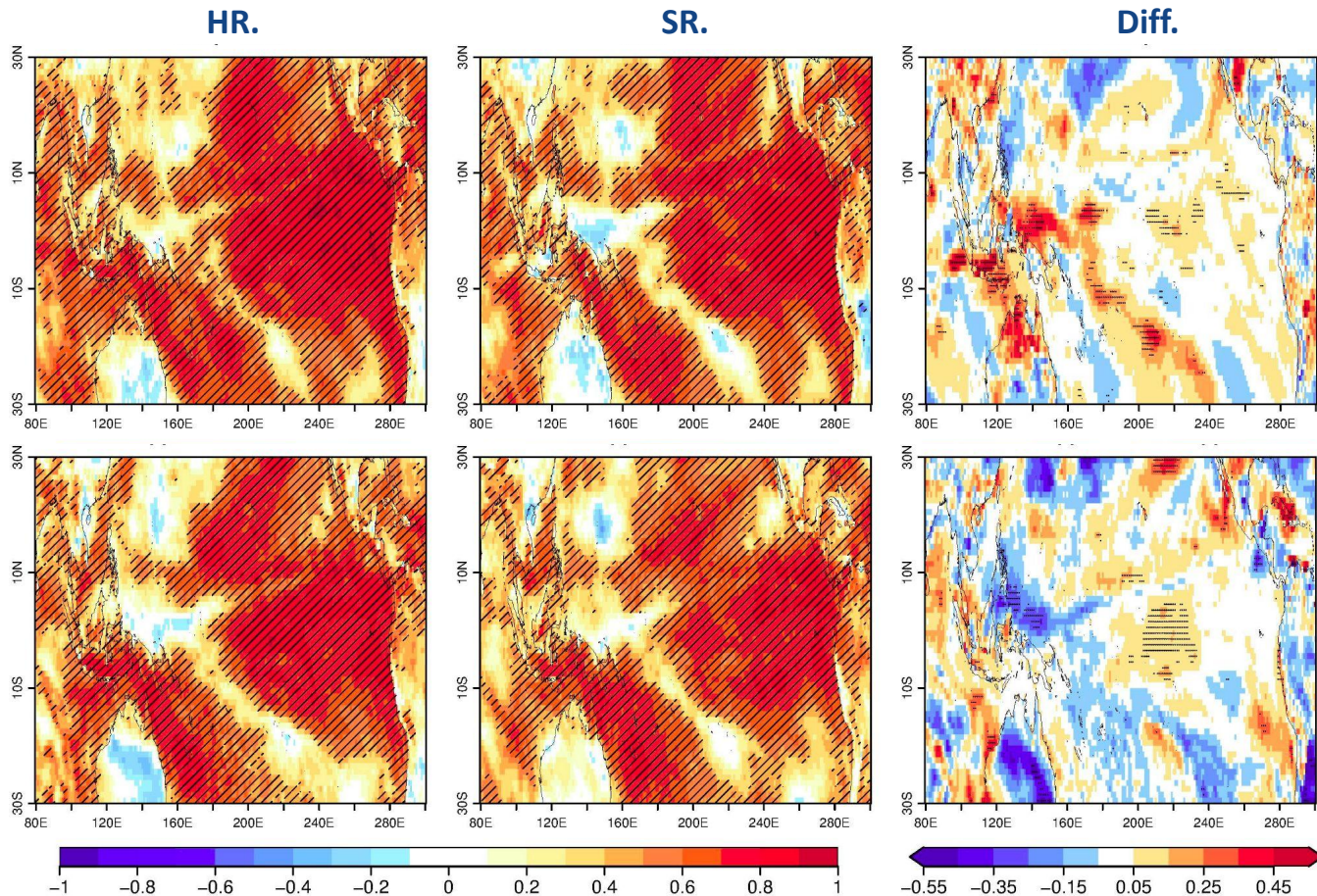
Maps of ACC: TAS - (Init. in May) August

EC-Earth3.3

CNRM-CM6

Seasonal forecast system
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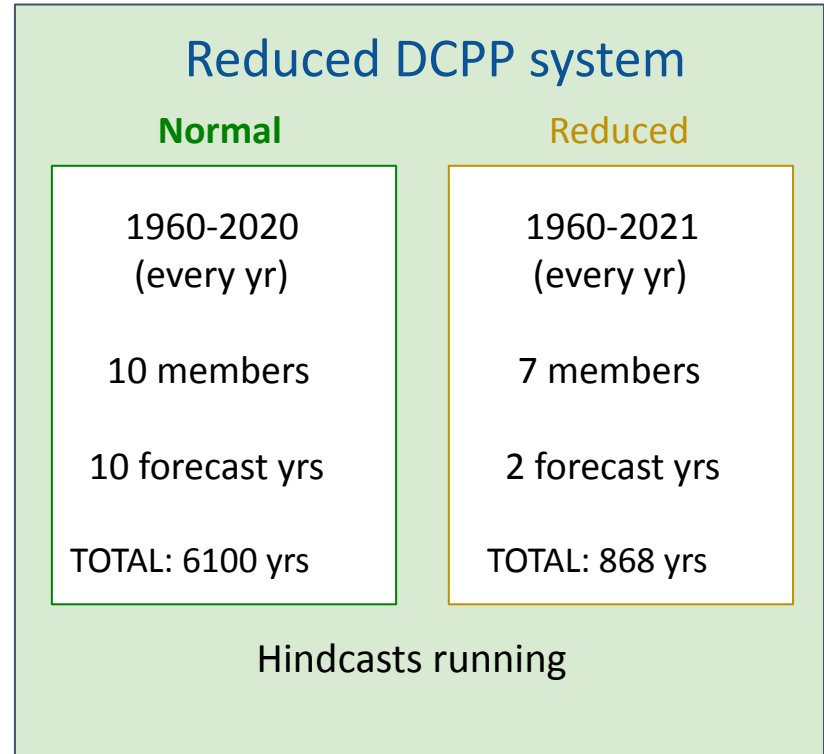
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Next steps

- retrieving CNRM data
- analysis in the tropics:
 - mixed layer depth, heat content, winds, etc
 - composites analysis
- Initialization in November
- Paper

- Monitoring the multi-year forecast system currently running



CPU hours

	CHSY for SR exp.	CHSY for HR exp.	Used (HR)
Tuning (TTS)	830	16 700	16,7 Mh
Reconstructions*	-	11 000	7,2 Mh
Seasonal forecast (ETS)*	600	15 300	15,9 Mh
Multi-year forecast	600	15 300	13,3 Mh



Tuning parameters

Parameters:

- nn_etau : penetration of tke below the mixed layer due to internal & inertial waves
- rn_lc : coef. associated to Langmuir cells
- rn_cdsn : thermal conductivity of snow
- rn_alb_smlt : melting snow albedo
- rn_alb_sdry : dry snow albedo
- rn_aht_0 : horiz. diffusion parameter

ExpID	Atm Parameters	Ocean Parameters	Sea Ice Parameters	Advection scheme	Diffusion Parameters
a2s5	SMHI's namelist	$nn_etau = 0, rn_lc = 0.2$	$rn_cdsn=0.15, rn_alb_smlt=0.72, rn_alb_sdry=0.85$	TDV scheme	$rn_aht_0 = 300$
t0dt	SMHI's namelist	$nn_etau = 1, rn_lc = 0.15$	$rn_cdsn=0.15, rn_alb_smlt=0.72, rn_alb_sdry=0.85$	TDV scheme	$rn_aht_0 = 300$
t0dz	SMHI's namelist	$nn_etau = 0, rn_lc = 0.2$	$rn_cdsn=0.25, rn_alb_smlt=0.72, rn_alb_sdry=0.85$	TDV scheme	$rn_aht_0 = 300$
t0e0	SMHI's namelist	$nn_etau = 0, rn_lc = 0.2$	$rn_cdsn=0.15, rn_alb_smlt=0.76, rn_alb_sdry=0.85$	TDV scheme	$rn_aht_0 = 300$
a2s9	SMHI's namelist	$nn_etau = 0, rn_lc = 0.2$	$rn_cdsn=0.15, rn_alb_smlt=0.72, rn_alb_sdry=0.88$	TDV scheme	$rn_aht_0 = 300$
a2y6	SMHI's namelist	$nn_etau = 0, rn_lc = 0.2$	$rn_cdsn=0.15, rn_alb_smlt=0.72, rn_alb_sdry=0.85$	UBS scheme	$rn_aht_0 = 300$
a2yd	SMHI's namelist	$nn_etau = 2, rn_lc = 0.2$	$rn_cdsn=0.27, rn_alb_smlt=0.72, rn_alb_sdry=0.85$	TDV scheme	$rn_aht_0 = 300$
a2ye	SMHI's namelist	$nn_etau = 0, rn_lc = 0.2$	$rn_cdsn=0.15, rn_alb_smlt=0.72, rn_alb_sdry=0.85$	TDV scheme	$rn_aht_0 = 1000$
a3dv	default parameters	$nn_etau = 0, rn_lc = 0.2$	$rn_cdsn=0.20, rn_alb_smlt=0.72, rn_alb_sdry=0.85$	TDV scheme	$rn_aht_0 = 1000$
a3fy	SMHI's namelist	$nn_etau = 0, rn_lc = 0.2$	$rn_cdsn=0.20, rn_alb_smlt=0.72, rn_alb_sdry=0.85$	TDV scheme	$rn_aht_0 = 1000$
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a334	default values	$nn_etau = 0, rn_lc = 0.20$	$rn_cdsn=0.27, rn_alb_smlt=0.75, rn_alb_sdry=0.85$	TDV_ZTS scheme	$rn_aht_0 = 1000$

Summary

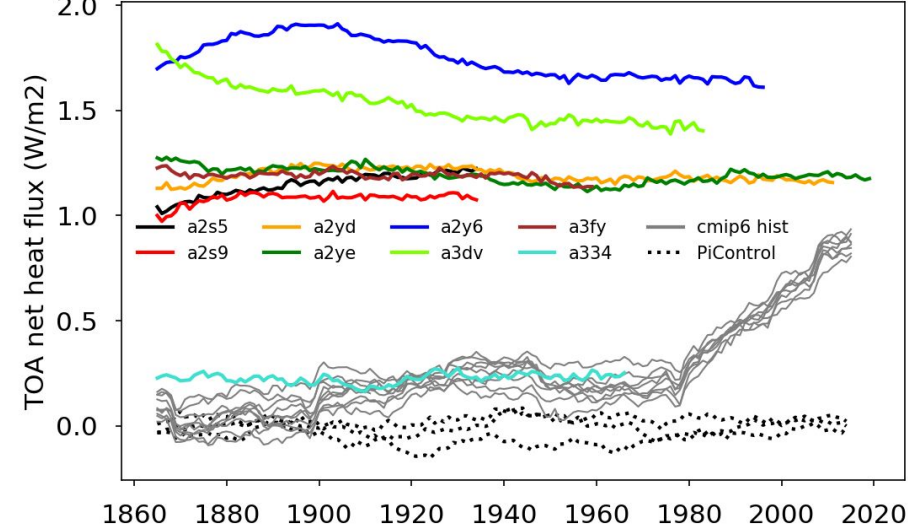
We retained the parameters of the `a2ye` experiment as tuned parameters for the coupled HR model:

Atmospheric parameters

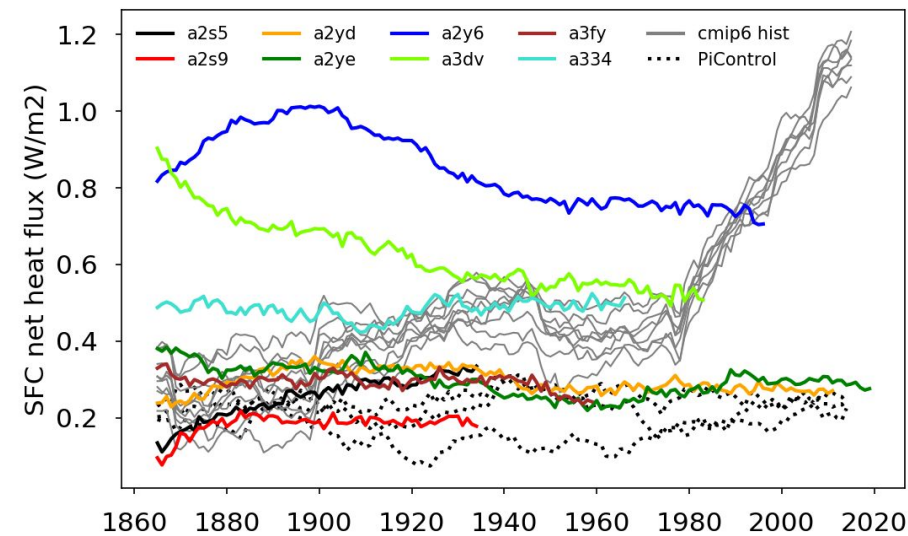
RPRCON	1.34E-3
RVICE	0.137
RLCRITSNOW	4.0E-5
RSNOWLIN2	0.035
ENTRORG	1.70E-4
DETRPEN	0.75E-4
ENTRDD	3.0E-4
RMFDEPS	0.3
RCLDIFF	3.E-6
RCLDIFFC	5.0
RLCRIT_UPHYS	0.875E-5

Oceanic and sea ice parameters

nn_etau	0
rn_lc	0.2
rn_cdsn	0.15
rn_alb_smlt	0.72
rn_alb_sdry	0.85
rn_aht_0	1000
advection scheme	TDV scheme



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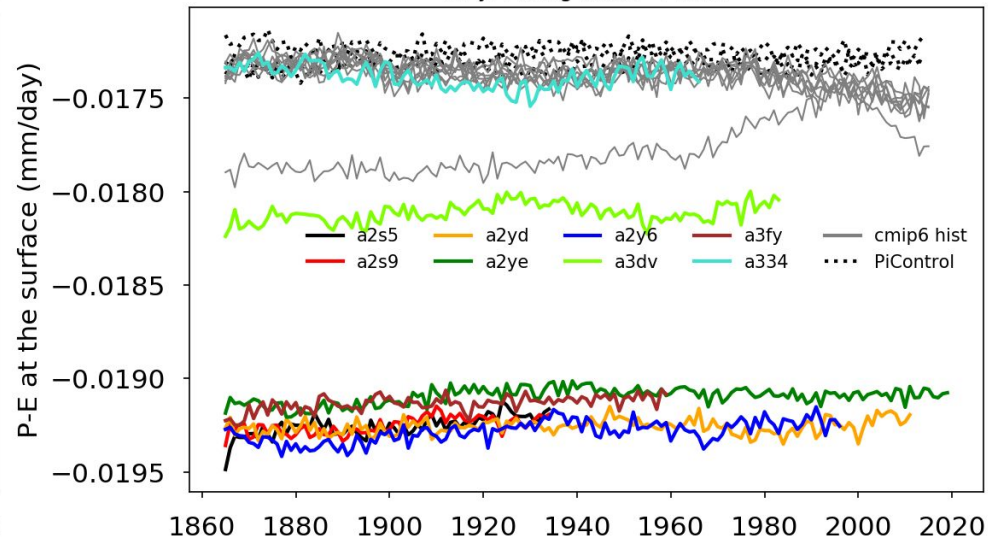


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Radiation budget

	Net TOA	Net SFC (with snowfall)	TOA - SFC	P-E (mm/day)
a2s5	1.19	0.29	0.89	-0.0192
a2s9	1.09	0.19	0.90	-0.0193
a2yd	1.17	0.28	0.89	-0.0192
a2ye	1.18	0.28	0.90	-0.0191
a2y6	1.64	0.74	0.90	-0.0192
a3dv	1.44	0.54	0.90	-0.0181
a3fy	1.19	0.29	0.90	-0.0191
a334	0.24	0.50	-0.26	-0.0174

31 yr rolling mean - PminE



1860 1880 1900 1920 1940 1960 1980 2000 2020

Forecast systems

Seasonal Hincasts

Hindcast period: 1990-2015

Ensemble: 20 members

Forecast range:

8 forecasted months

from May to December

from November to June

TOTAL: 694 yrs

Reduced DCPD system

Normal

Reduced

1960-2020
(every yr)

1960-2021
(every yr)

10 members

7 members

10 forecast yrs

2 forecast yrs

TOTAL: 6100 yrs

TOTAL: 868 yrs

Hindcasts running