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# EC-Earth Climate Prediction Working Group

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# The EC-Earth forecast system



- 20 individual, 4 month climate predictions (May-August)
- init. conditions Atmosphere, Ice and Ocean Reanalyses
- init. soil conditions from climatology OR ERA-Land

4 months



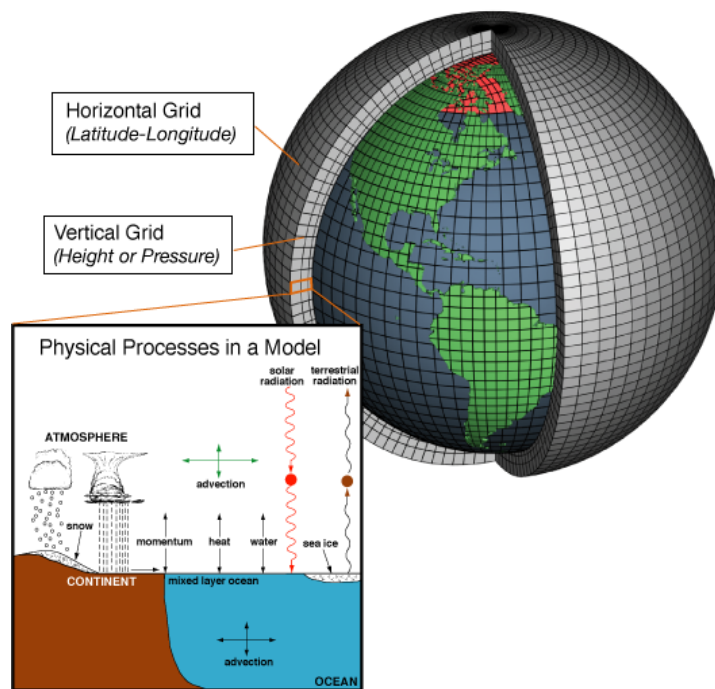
Atmosphere  
Reanalysis  
(ERA-Interim)

Ice  
Reanalysis  
(IC3/BSC)

Land reanalysis  
(ERA-Land)

Ocean reanalysis  
(ECMWF S4)

## EC-Earth coupled model



- [https://dev.ec-earth.org/projects/ecearth3/wiki/Climate\\_Prediction\\_Working\\_Group](https://dev.ec-earth.org/projects/ecearth3/wiki/Climate_Prediction_Working_Group)
- WG mailing list : [ecearth.climate.prediction@bsc.es](mailto:ecearth.climate.prediction@bsc.es)
- Terms of reference
  - To **tune** the EC-Earth 3.2 version in standard and high resolutions **in seasonal prediction mode**
  - Coordinate the participation of the EC-Earth consortium to **DCPP**
  - Develop **initialization** and ensemble generation techniques, **share initial conditions** to others
  - Assess climate forecast **quality** on sub-seasonal to decadal timescales
  - Investigate **sources and mechanisms** of predictability
- Experimental protocol for tuning in seasonal prediction mode
  - Run 5-member 4-month-long seasonal predictions initialized Nov. from 1993 to 2009
  - One 10-year-long simulation to be run by BSC at the end of the tuning process
- Repository for initialization, ensemble generation and verification tools
- Repository for initial conditions – at BSC, ECMWF and JASMIN (soon)

- T255L91/ORCA1L75 : Runs in seasonal prediction mode
- T511L91/ORCA025L75 : fixed many issues - bathymetry, closed seas
- Initial Conditions available for climate prediction runs
- PRIMAVERA & HighResMIP output: ongoing (E. Tourigny)
- BSC & SMHI : MetOffice decadal semi-operational experiment
- DCPD : awaiting for proper EC-Earth version (external & internal)

- Initial Conditions:
  - prepared by BSC (atmosphere, ocean, sea ice)
  - for all years 1960-present
  - 4 start dates : **November**, February, May, August
- Component A : Decadal hindcasts (6000 years)
  - Every year from 1960-present
  - Starting in November of every year
  - 10 members (BSC) / 1-2 Members (DMI)
  - 5 year predictions, extended to 10 years
- Component B : Semi-operational decadal forecast (100 years)
  - 10 years x 10 members
- Component C3 : Volcano effects on decadal prediction (M. Menegoz)
- “Extra” seasonal prediction hindcasts
  - Use the first months of the decadal runs initialized in November
  - Run short (4 month) predictions initialized in February, May, August
- High Resolution Hindcasts (optional, 3000 years)
  - 5 members, IF we obtain the hours from PRACE (as part of ENES) and only after we have completed everything else (HiResMIP and DCPP standard)

- Recent progress by other groups ?
- Plans for climate prediction experiments
  - ENEA : DCPD & seasonal prediction sensitivity to vegetation, investigate ensemble initialization (anomaly vs. full field)
  - DMI : 1-2 members DCPD component A
  - SMHI : investigate ensemble initialization ?
  - Oxford : stochastic perturbations schemes for PRIMAVERA, maybe for seasonal prediction
- Using a workflow manager (Autosubmit) for climate prediction experiments
  - ENEA showed interest for DCPD
  - We can assist any other interested groups
- Open question : which version to use & tuning strategy ?
- Recommendations from ECMWF
  - 5 members not enough for proper tuning in seasonal prediction mode, maybe OK for drift analysis
  - recommend we move away from ERA-Land for land surface initialization and develop an assimilation strategy
  - Compare skill at 500 mb vs. surface, in ECMWFS4 better skill at 500 mb



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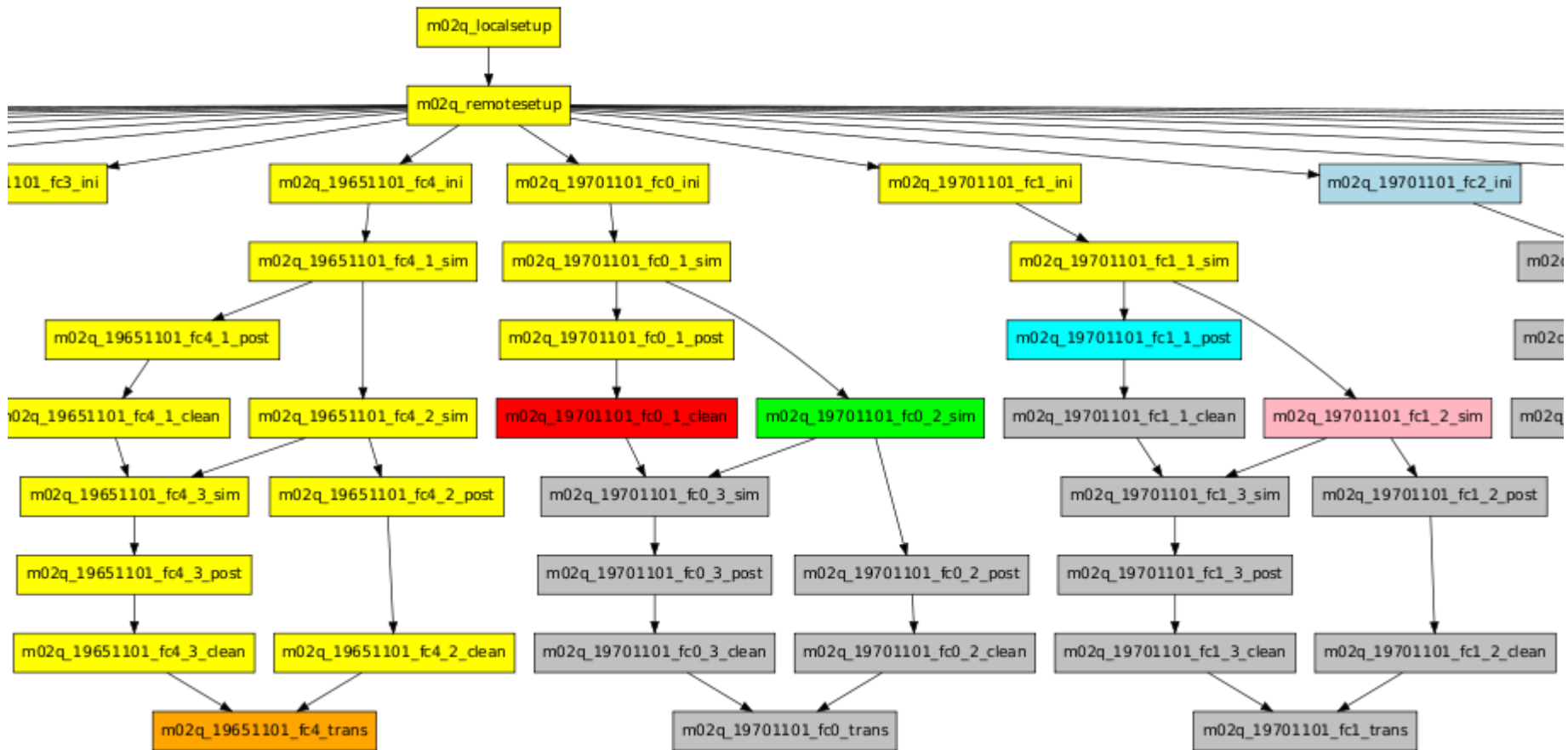
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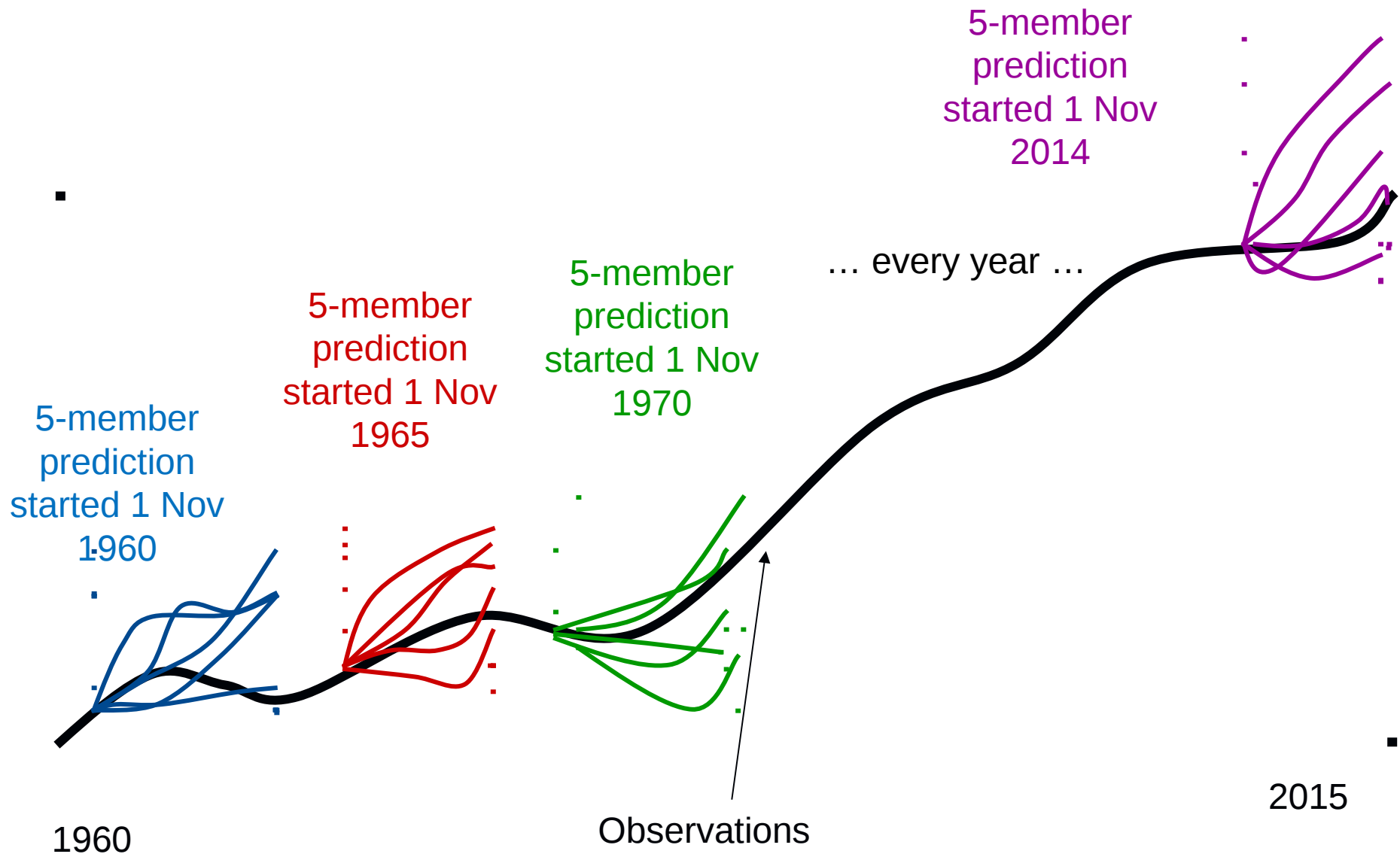


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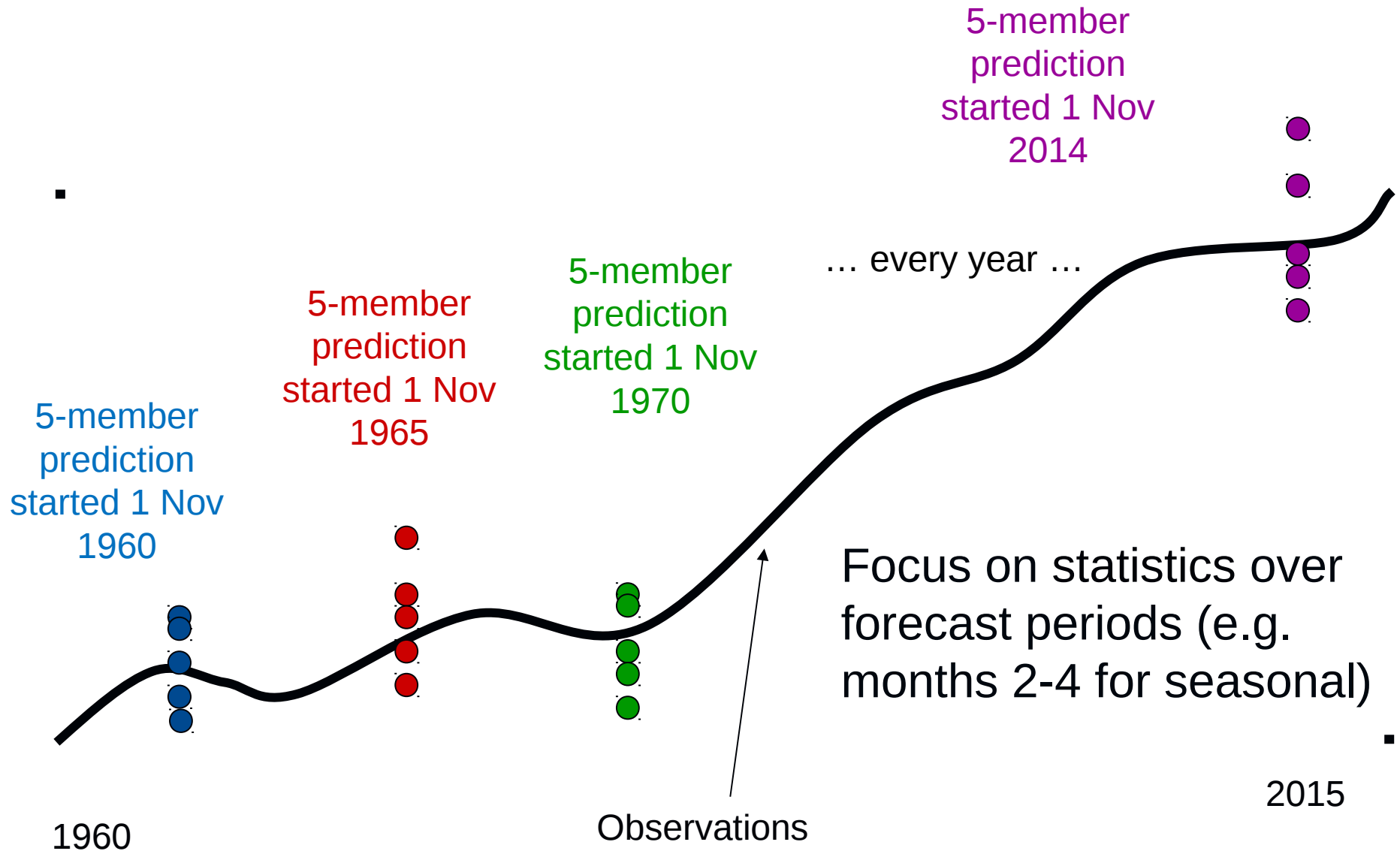




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