

The Norwegian Climate Prediction Model (NorCPM)

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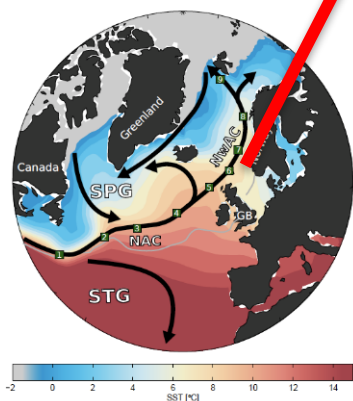
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Research Focus

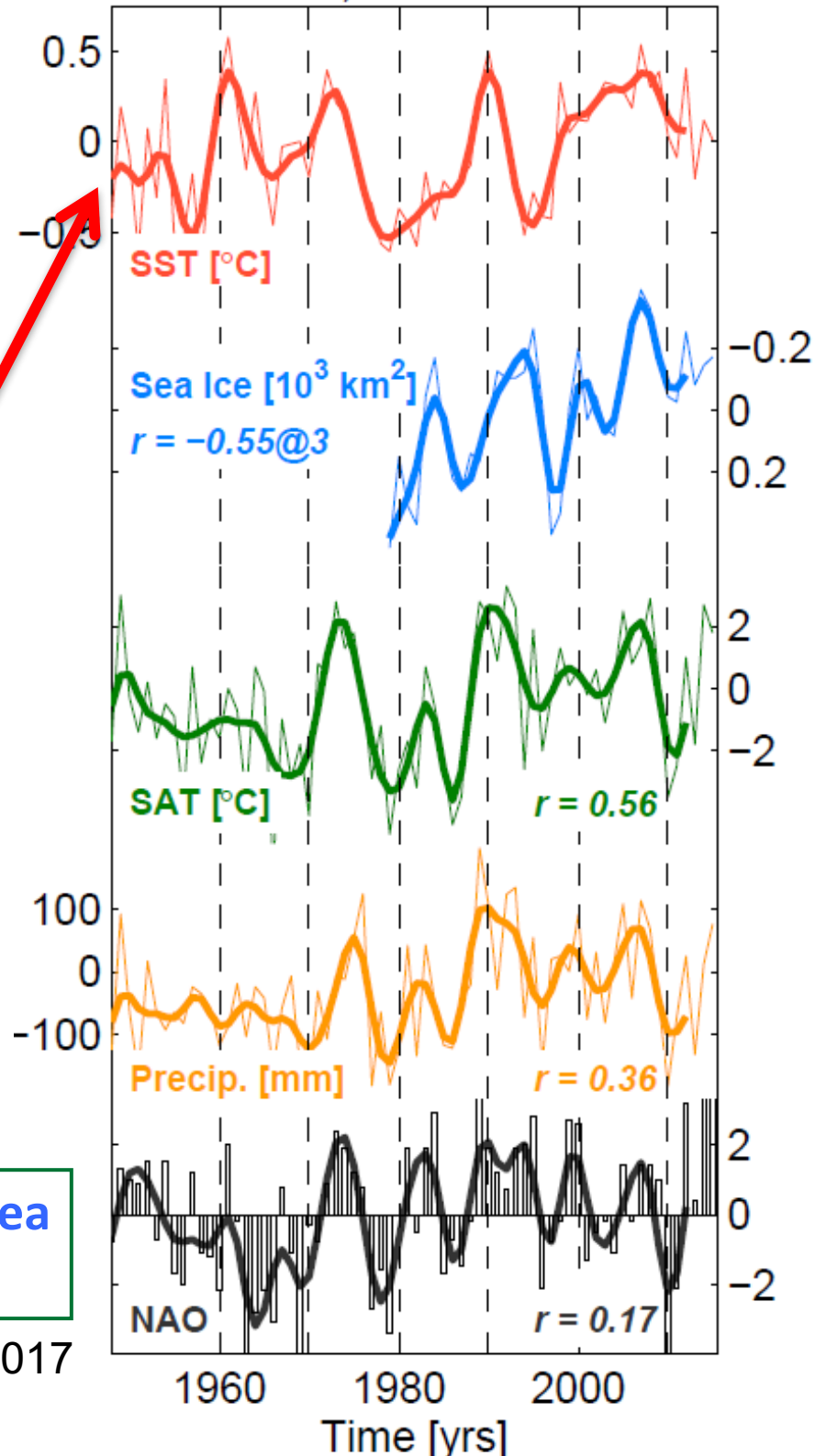
- Arctic - North Atlantic climate
- Decadal prediction
- S2S and seasonal prediction
(newer)



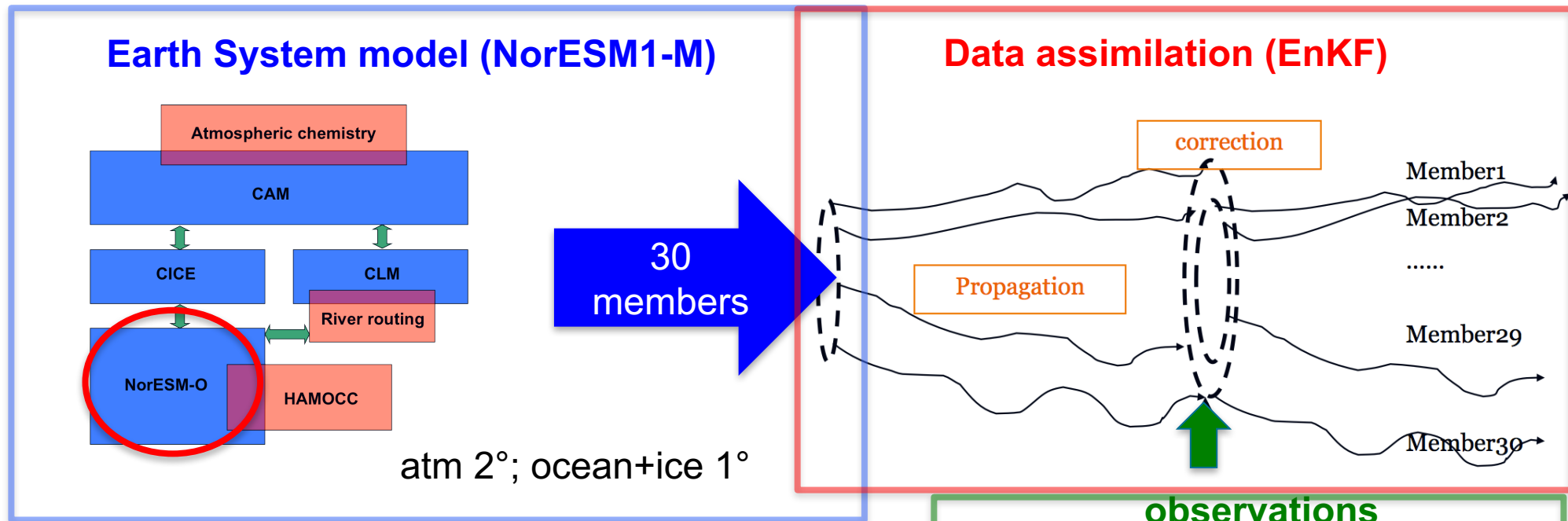
Oceanic influence

- Norwegian **SAT**, **precipitation**, and Arctic **sea ice** co-vary with Norwegian Sea **SST**.

Årthun et al., Nat. Comm., 2017

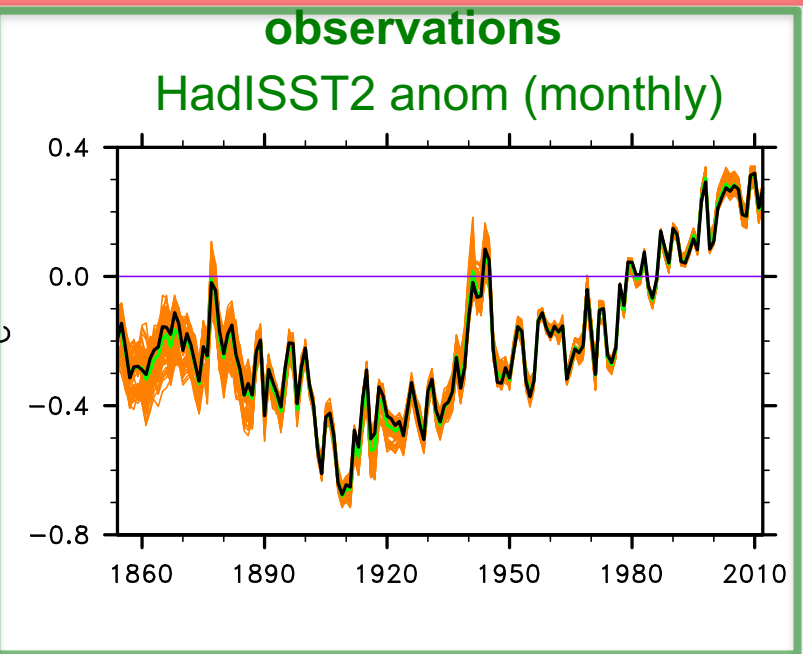


Norwegian Climate Prediction Model (NorCPM): ensemble re-analyses



Multidecadal reanalysis: 1980-2016

V0 system: **SST anom**
V1 system: **(SST + ocean Temp-Salinity) anom**
V2 system: **+ Sea Ice-concentration (in progress)**



Norwegian Climate Prediction Model (NorCPM) : S2S hindcasts

(used in SNOWGLACE initiative)

For initialisation :

- **Land**: land model (CLM) off-line run
- **Atmosphere**: nudging to ERAINT
- **Ocean & sea ice**: NorCPM re-analyses (V1)

Followed by 2nd-stage nudging with full coupled model over 2 weeks, to harmonize the different components (applied each individual ensemble member)

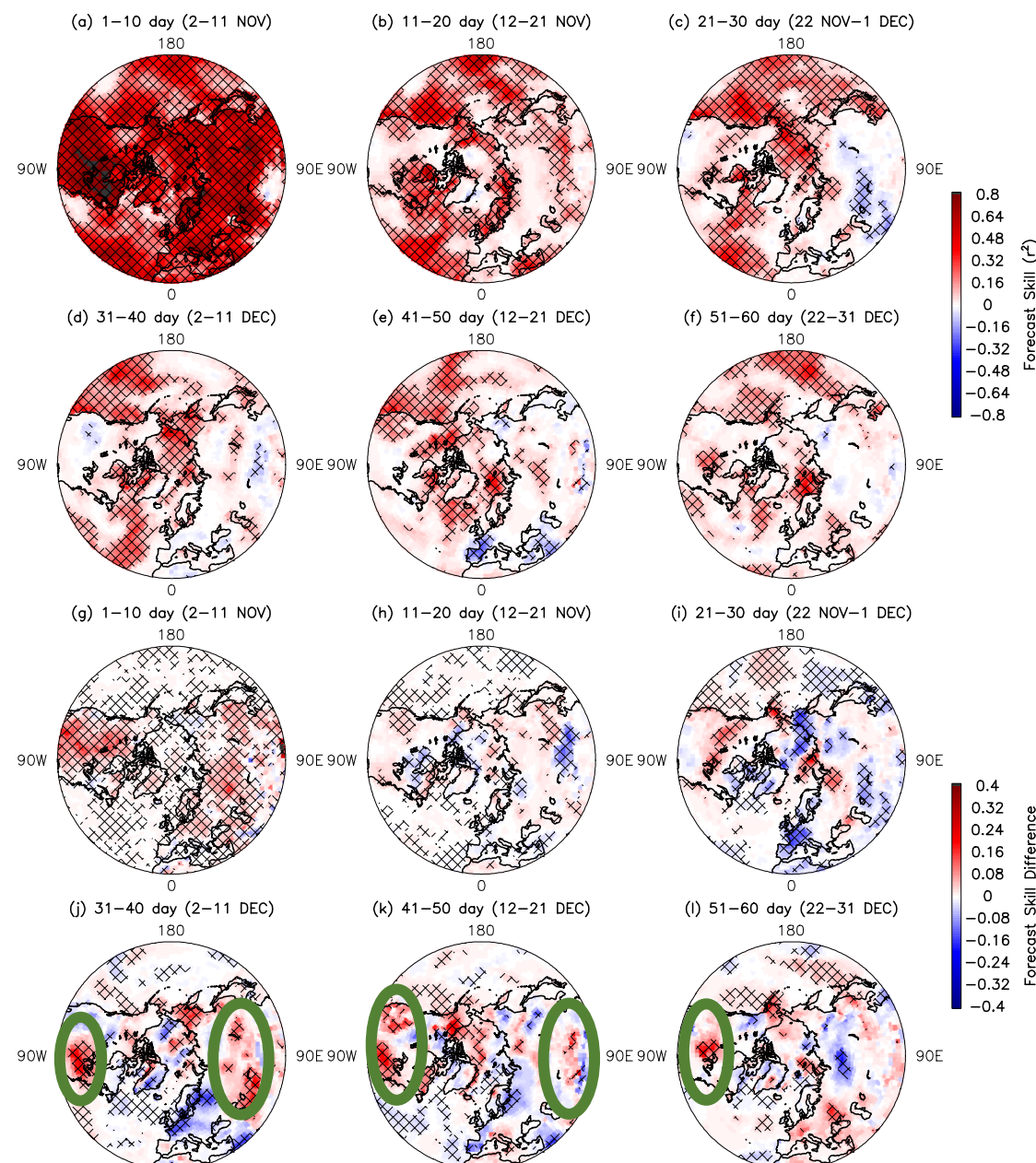
Other features :

Ensemble Generation : members from Ocean re-analyses (30#)

High-top model (WACCM) : 140 km (full stratospheric chemistry, incl. interactive ozone)

Period: 1985-2016, 30-member

Ensemble of retrospective S2S winter forecasts (1985-2016) with Norwegian Climate Prediction Model (NorCPM) : role of snow initialisation



Skill: Series 1
(realistic initialisation)

2m Air Temperature
6 lead times (0-day to 50-day) ; start date : NOV 1

Skill increment : Series 1 minus Series 2
(gain from realistic vs. degraded snow initialisation)

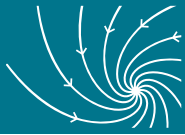
Moderate skill increment (0.3-0.4) at southern edge of continental snowpacks at long leads (analogous to soil moisture – Koster 2010)

Conclusions

- ☐ Weakly coupled data assimilation of SST, oceanic temperatures and salinity, sea ice anomalies using EnKF has potential for skilful long-term reanalysis (currently 1980-present, in future 1850-present)
- ☐ NorCPM with only SST achieves competitive skill in seasonal predictions compared to NMME systems. [Wang Y. et al. \(2019\), in review.](#)
- ☐ Use to test impact of snow initialisation in S2S forecast
[Li, F., Y. Orsolini et al. \(2019\), submitted to JGR.](#)

Emerging issues

- ☐ Role of stratosphere : fully coupled chemistry-dynamics in a high-top framework (Role of initial ozone anomalies, ...)



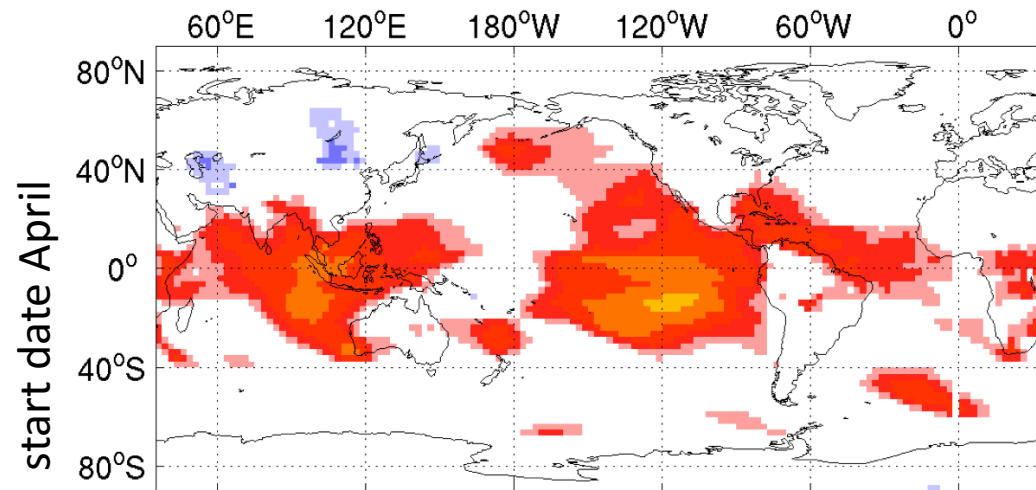
RESERVE SLIDES

SLP in winter

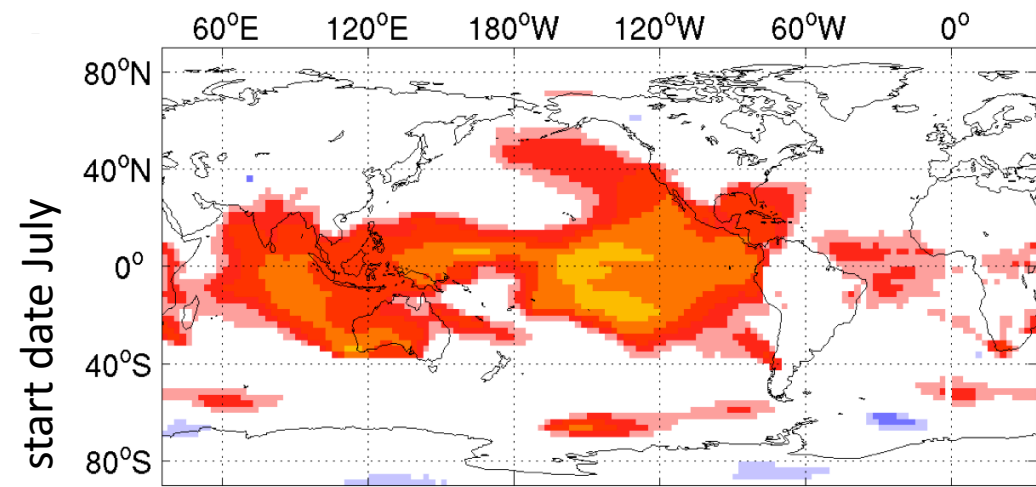
Anomaly Correlation (NCEP) 1985-2010

Initialisation with SSTA

SLP correlation @ DJF

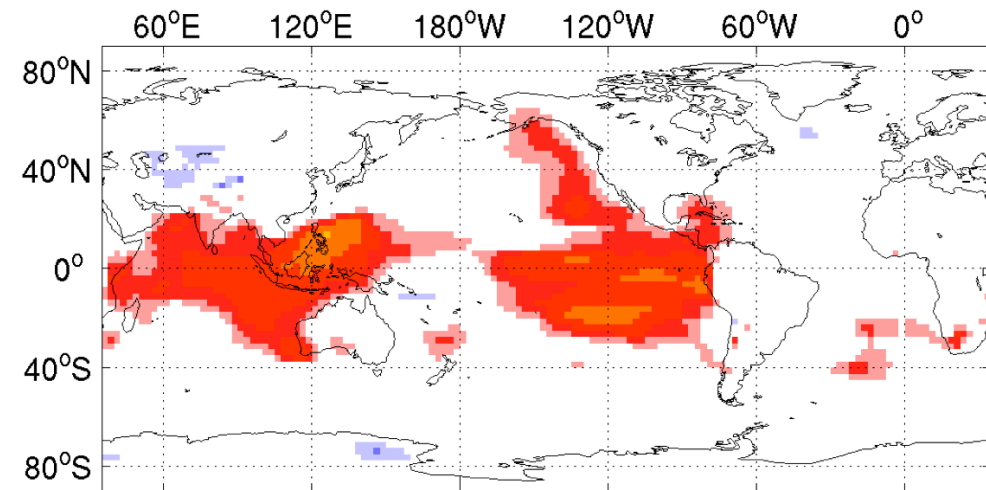


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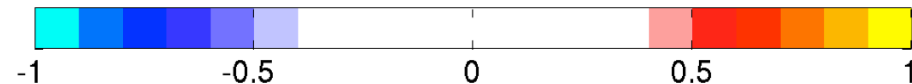
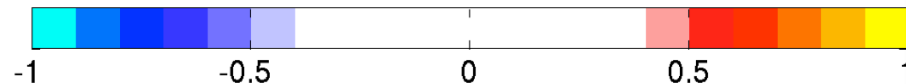
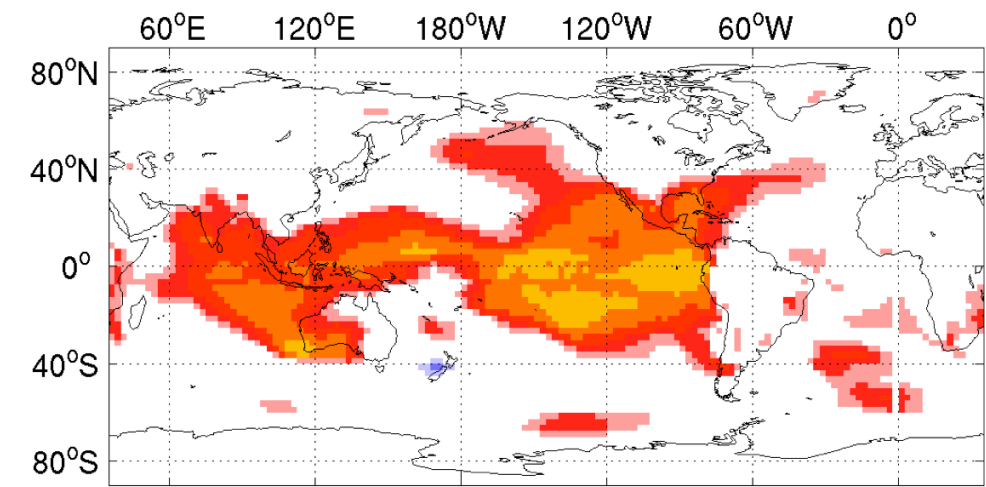


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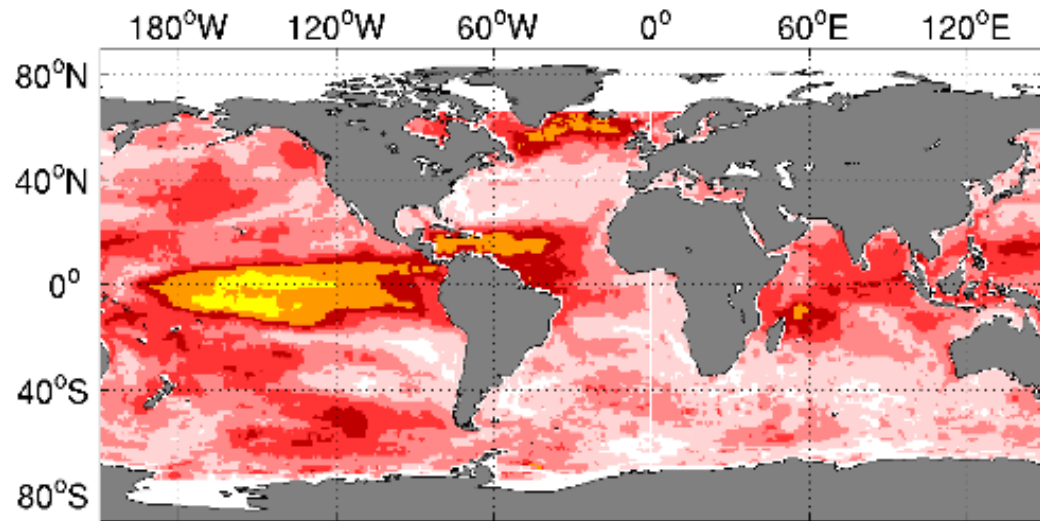
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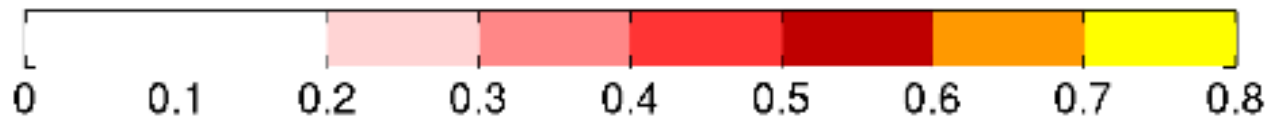
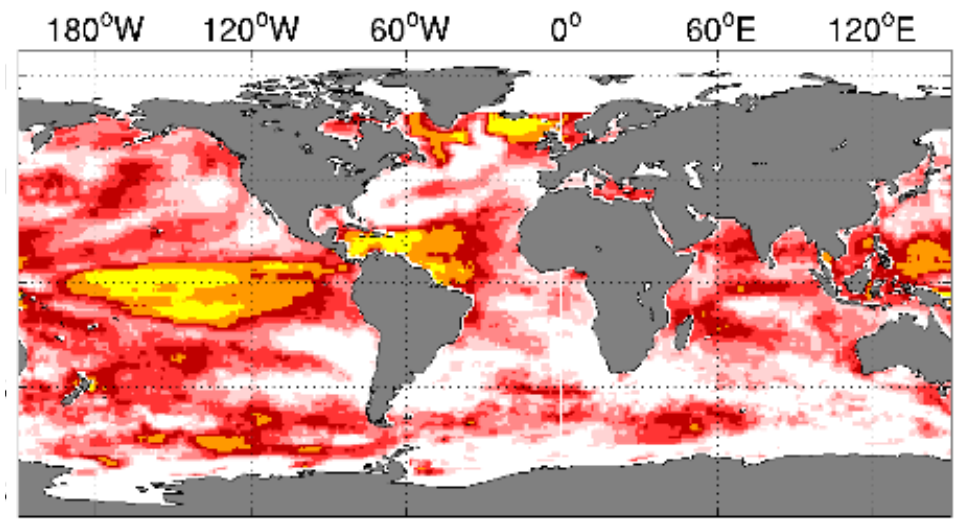
Anomaly correlation skill, 6-month predictions, SST

NorCPM, North American Multimodel Ensemble

NMME (Average)



NorCPM



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