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What

Environmental forecasting

How

Develop a capability to model air quality processes from urban to global and the impacts on weather, health and ecosystems

Implement climate prediction system for subseasonal-to-decadal climate prediction

Develop user-oriented services that favour both technology transfer and adaptation

Use cutting-edge HPC and Big Data technologies for the efficiency and userfriendliness of Earth system models

<u>Why</u>

Our strength research operations services ...

... high resolution ...



Drift helps uncovering model errors

Correlation between 1st of May total soil water content and 31-day running mean of variables from the SPECS multi-model seasonal forecast (top) and ERAInt (bottom) over North American Great Plains. The model shifts quickly to excessive land-atmosphere coupled state.



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Predictions with 11 models x 10 members x 4 forecast months = 440 individual forecasts, forecast quality assessment for each of the 440 forecasts against each of the 5 verification products.



Number of forecasts with highest correlation

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Niño 3.4 SST correlation of the ensemble mean for (left) EC-Earth3.1 (T511/ORCA025) predictions started every May over 1993-2009 with ERAInt and GLORYS2v1 ics, and internal sea-ice reconstruction and (right) ECMWF System 4, both started every May over 1993-2010.



Prediction skill ENSO

Bellprat et al. (2016, Rem. Sens. Env.)

Forecast quality from EC-Earth3.1 seasonal hindcasts (1993-2009, Glorys2v1, ERAInt and ERALand initial conditions). Solid for ESA-CCI and dashed for ERSST. Blue for high resolution ocean and atmosphere, red for high resolution ocean, black for standard resolution.

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Attribution and ensemble error

Relationship between Fraction of Attributable Risk (FAR) and model error set in a toy model with reliability error. The FAR increases with model error. Tested with the HadGEM3A attribution system.

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Improving energy forecasts

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ECMWF S4 10-metre wind forecasts are corrected with the predicted Niño3.4 index on a regression estimated using ERA-Interim data.

0.8

0.6

0.4

0.2

0

-0.2

-0.4

-0.6

-0.8

Correlation of the ECMWF S4 ensemblemean prediction



Correlation of the ECMWF S4 ensemblemean prediction using predicted Niño3.4



Point correlation of Niño3.4 and 10-metre wind from ERA Interim





González et al. (in prep.)

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