

# Seasonal prediction and coupled model development activities at JAMSTEC

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# The SINTEX-F Coupled GCM

(Luo et al. GRL 2003, J. Clim. 2005a; Masson et al. GRL 2005)

## 1. Model components:

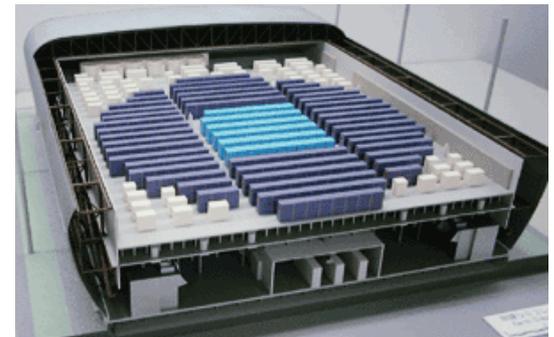
AGCM (MPI, Germany):	ECHAM4 (T106L19)
OGCM (LODYC, France):	OPA8 (2° x 0.5°~2°, L31)
Coupler (CERFACS, France):	OASIS2

\* *No flux correction, no sea ice model*

## 2. International collaborators:

<i>LODYC:</i>	OPA model group
<i>INGV (Italy):</i>	Antonio Navarra's group
<i>MPI-Met:</i>	ECHAM model group
<i>CERFACE:</i>	OASIS coupler group
<i>PRISM project group</i>	

[Developed on the Earth Simulator](#)

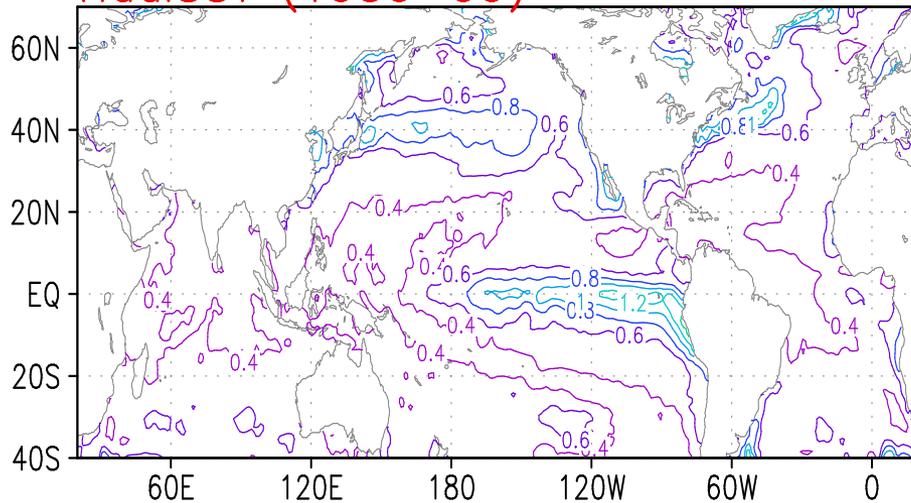


# ENSO simulation

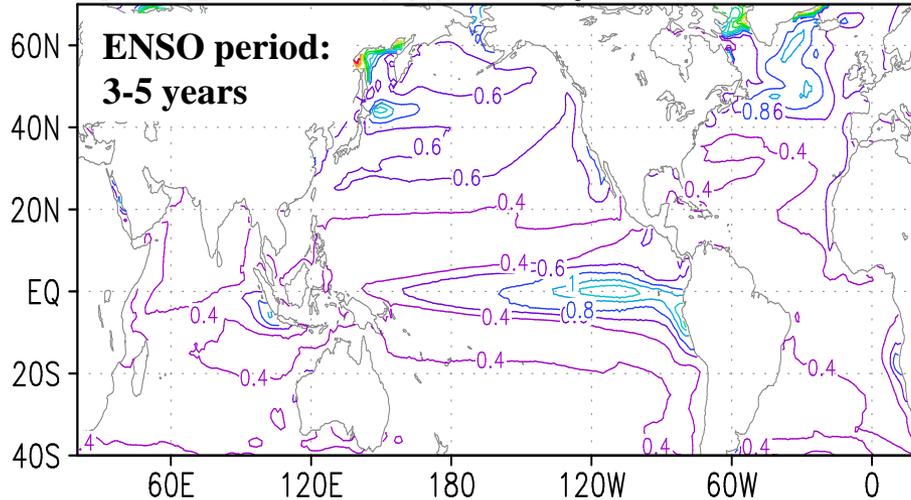
Luo et al. 2003

Standard deviation of SST

HadISST (1950-99)

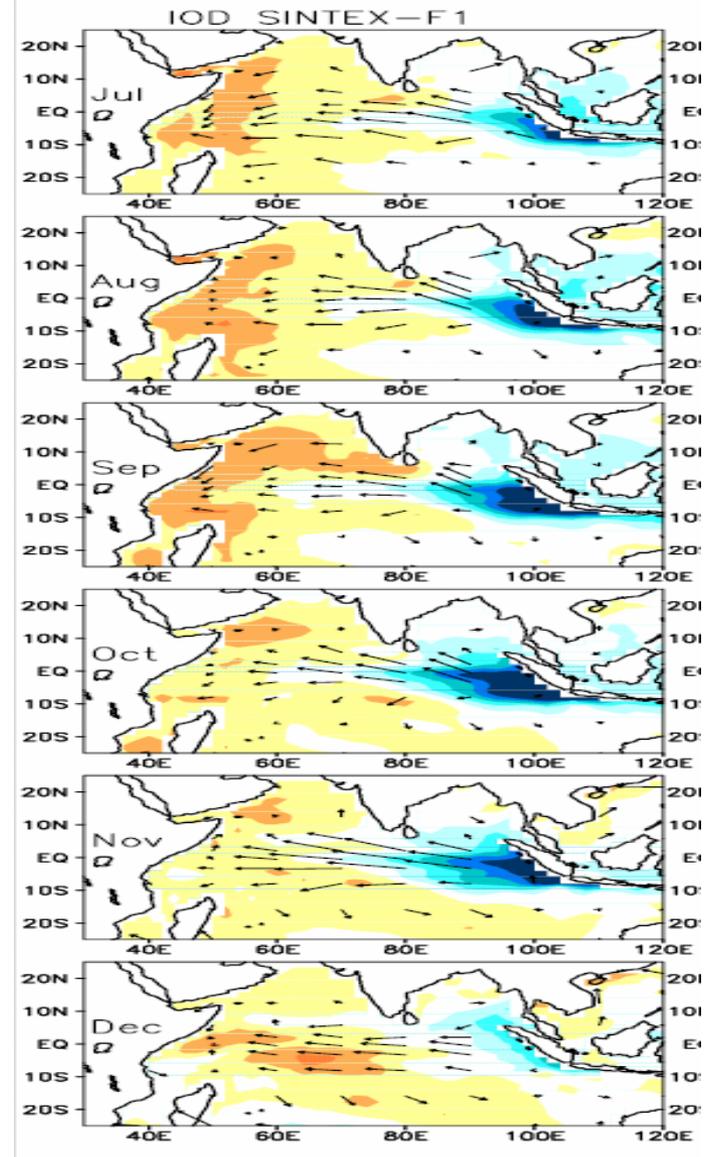


SINTEX-F model (200 years)



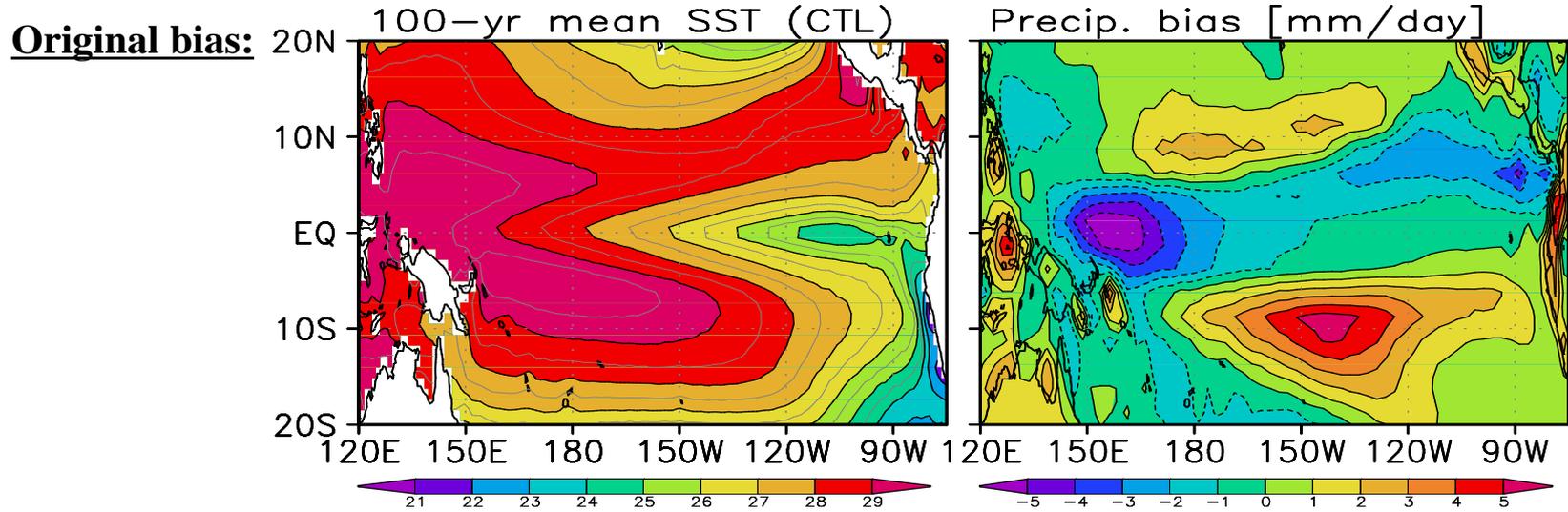
# IOD simulation

Yamagata et al. 2004

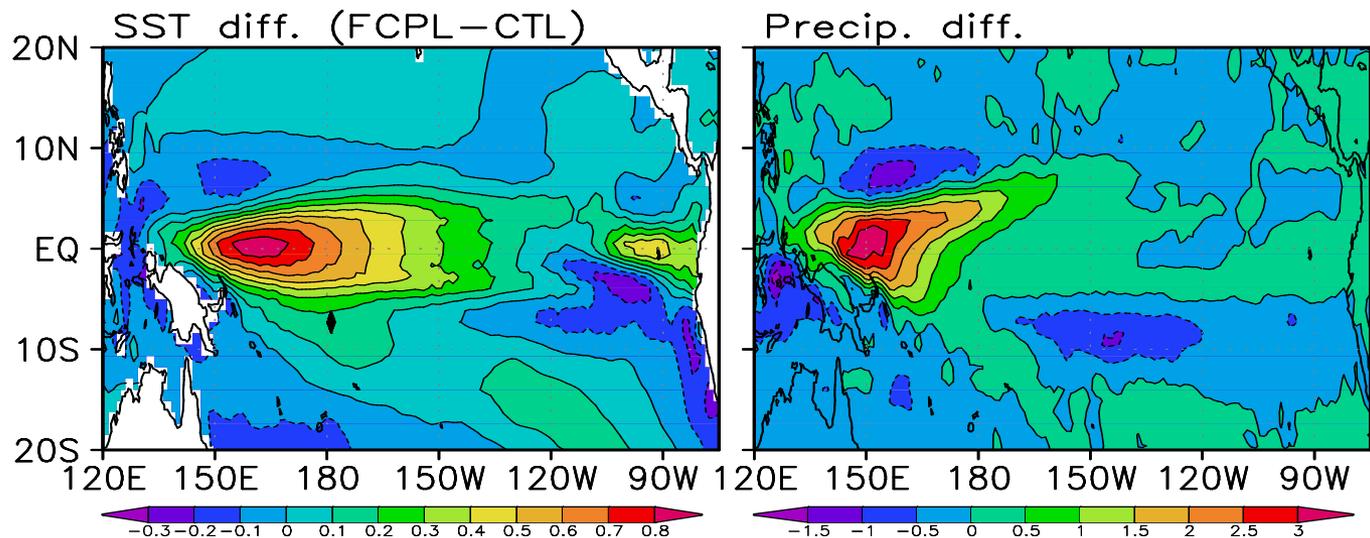


# Reducing the model climatology bias

*Luo et al. J. Climate 2005a*



**After improving the coupling physics** (velocity is now continuous across the air-sea interface):



# Climate studies using the SINTEX-F coupled model (>40 papers published/accepted)

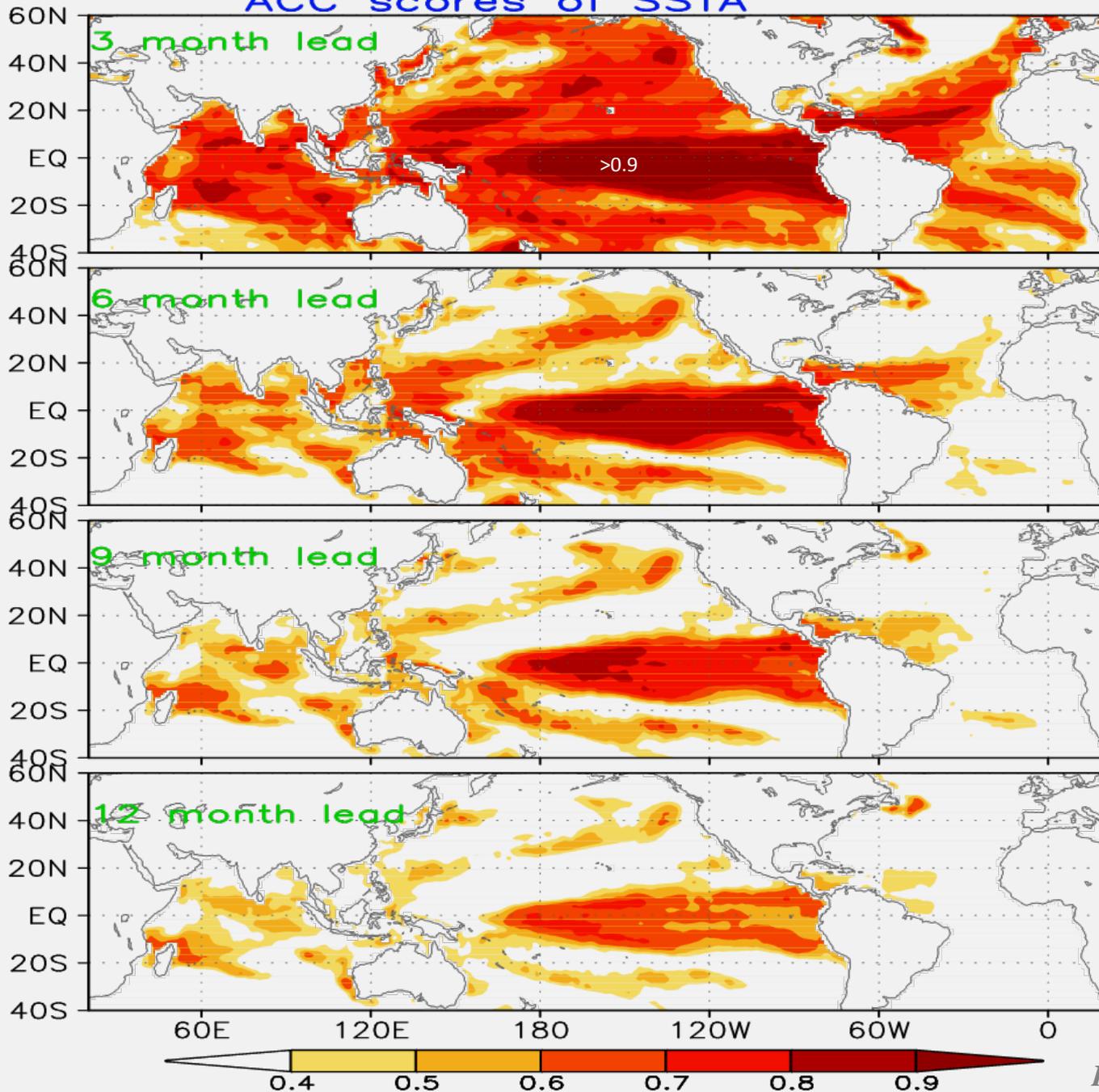
- Asian monsoon (onset and variations)
- Intraseasonal oscillations (winter and summer)
- El Niño-Southern Oscillation (ENSO)
- Indian Ocean Dipole (IOD)
- Decadal variations
- **Seasonal-to-interannual predictions**

# Dynamical climate prediction

To achieve good prediction skills:

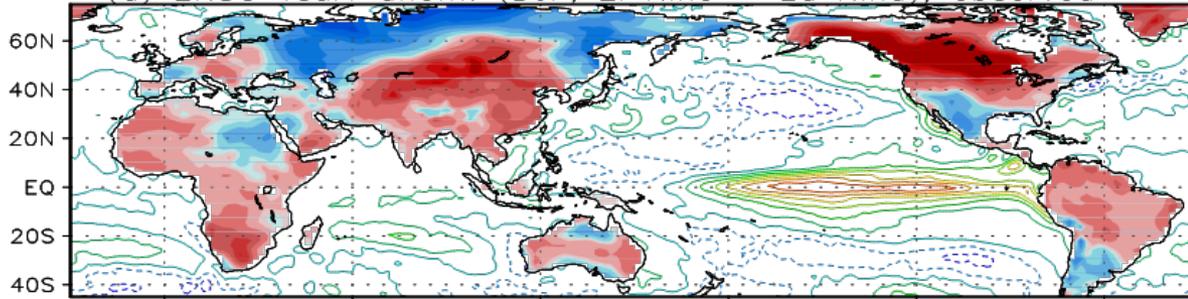
1. **Develop a good coupled OAGCM:**  
Realistic simulations of ENSO & IOD.....;  
Realistic climatology.
2. **Generate good initial conditions:**  
Close to the observations;  
Compatible between the ocean and atmosphere.
3. **Design a good ensemble forecast scheme:**  
Uncertainties: initial conditions & model physics.

## ACC scores of SSTA



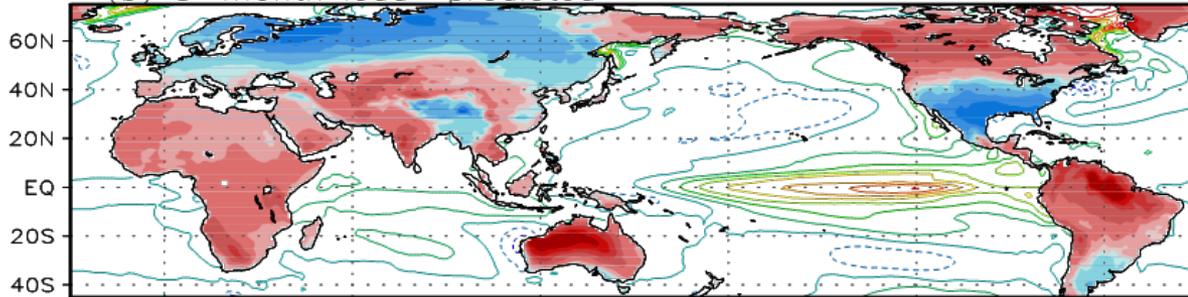
9-member  
mean  
hindcast  
experiment  
(1982-2004)  
based on the  
JAMSTEC  
semi-multi-  
model  
ensemble  
scheme  
(only  
observed  
SSTs are  
assimilated  
for coupled  
model  
initialization)

(a) ENSO Tsurf anom. (DJF, El Nino - La Nina); observed



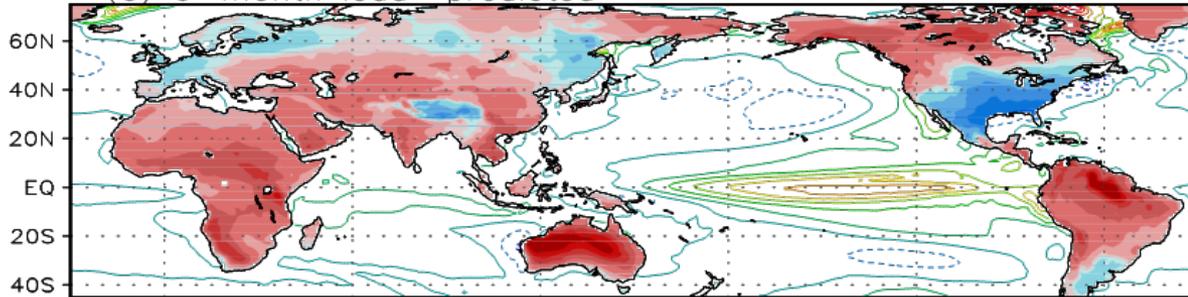
NCEP  
obs.

(b) 3-month lead predicted



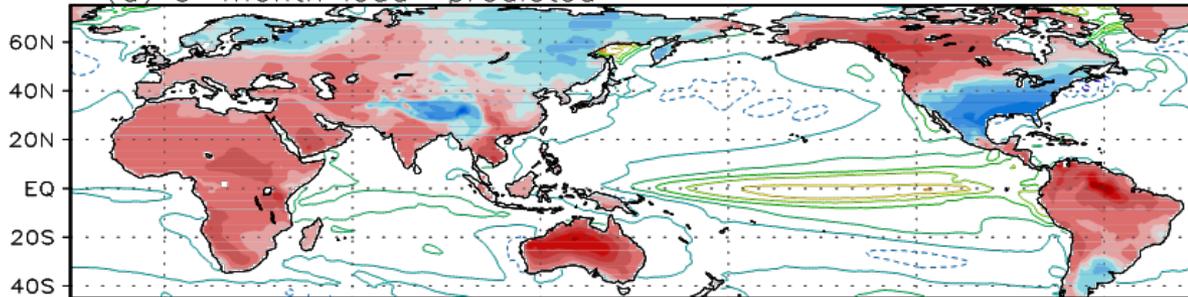
3-month  
lead

(c) 6-month lead predicted

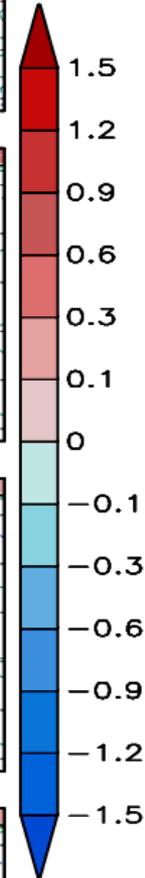


6-month  
lead

(d) 9-month lead predicted



9-month  
lead



El Nino:

1986/87

1991/92

1997/98

2002/03

La Nina:

1984/85

1988/89

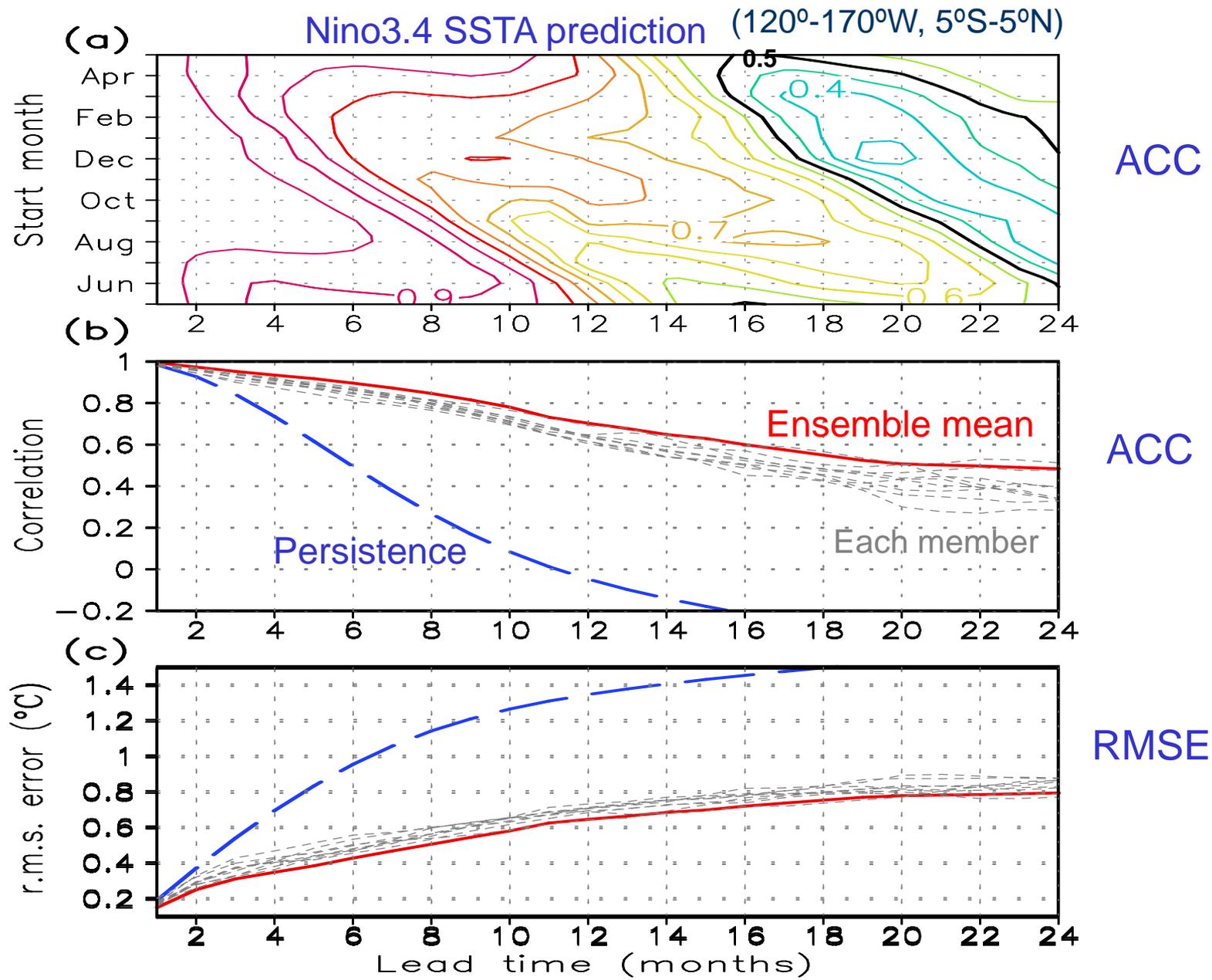
1995/96

1999/2000

CI: 0.3°C

0 60E 120E 180 120W 60W

# 2-year lead ENSO prediction:

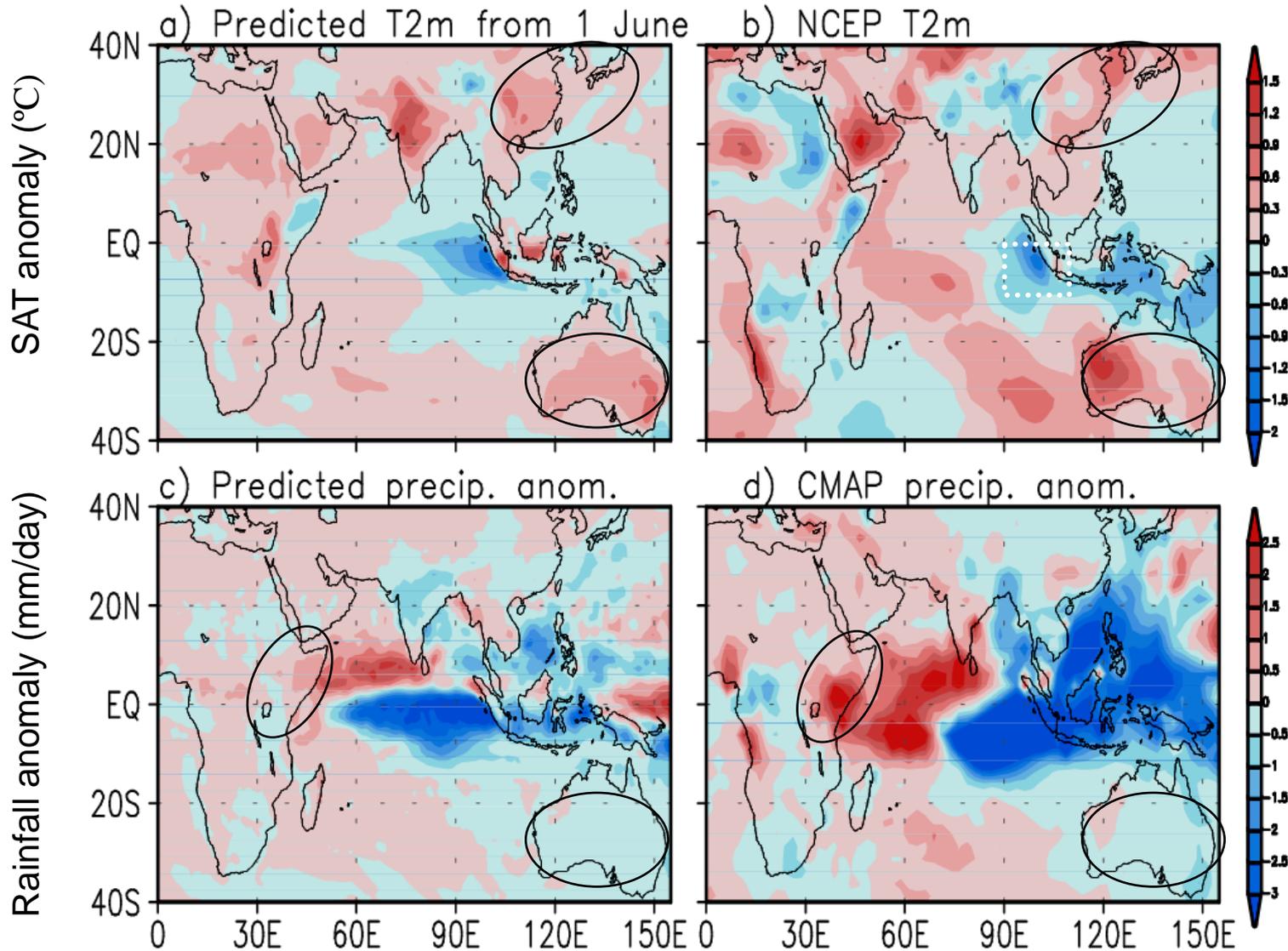


# IOD-related anomalies (Sep-Nov)

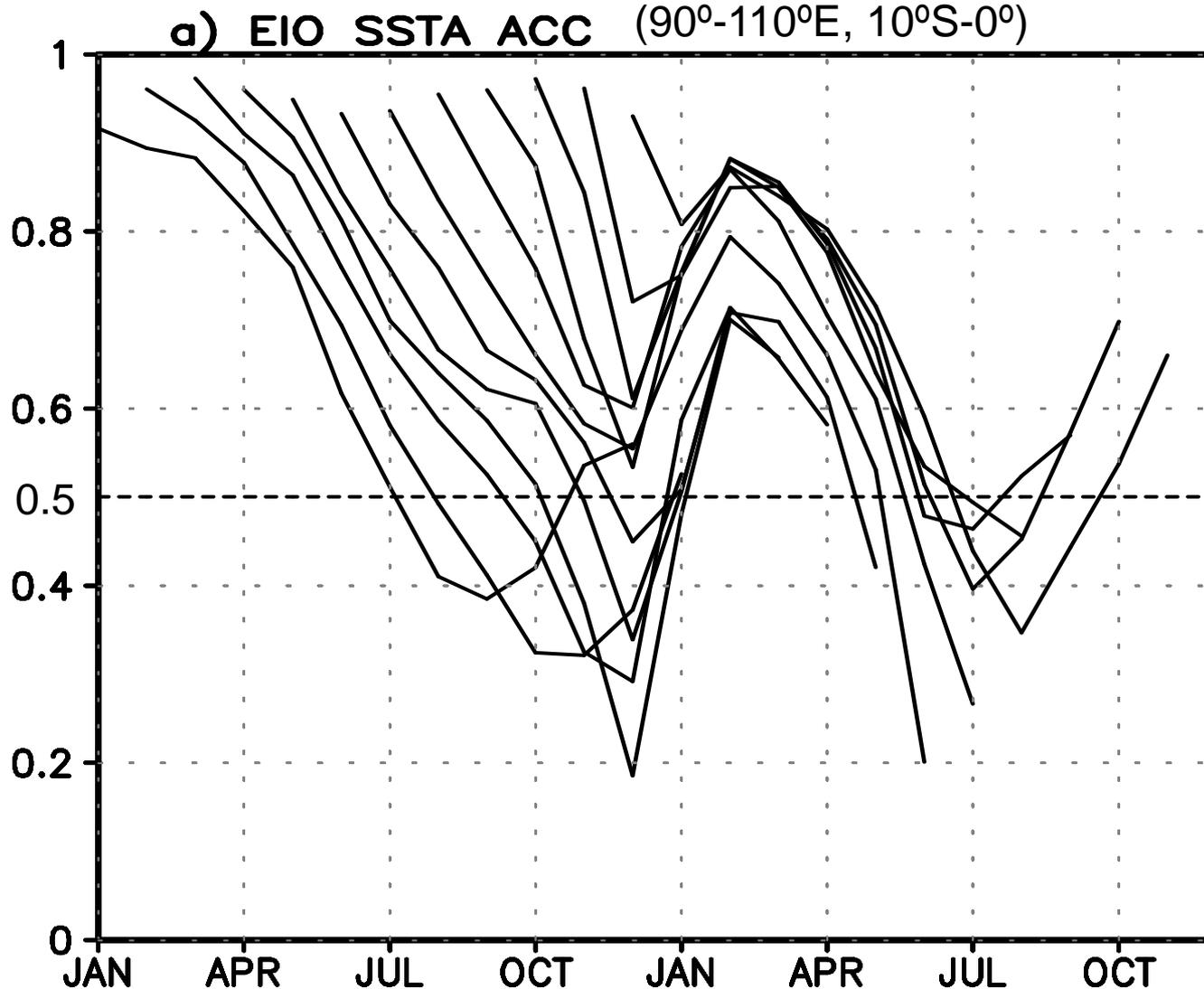
pIOD:  
1994  
1997  
2006

Predictions from 1 June  
(9 members)

Observations



## Both winter and spring barrier exist



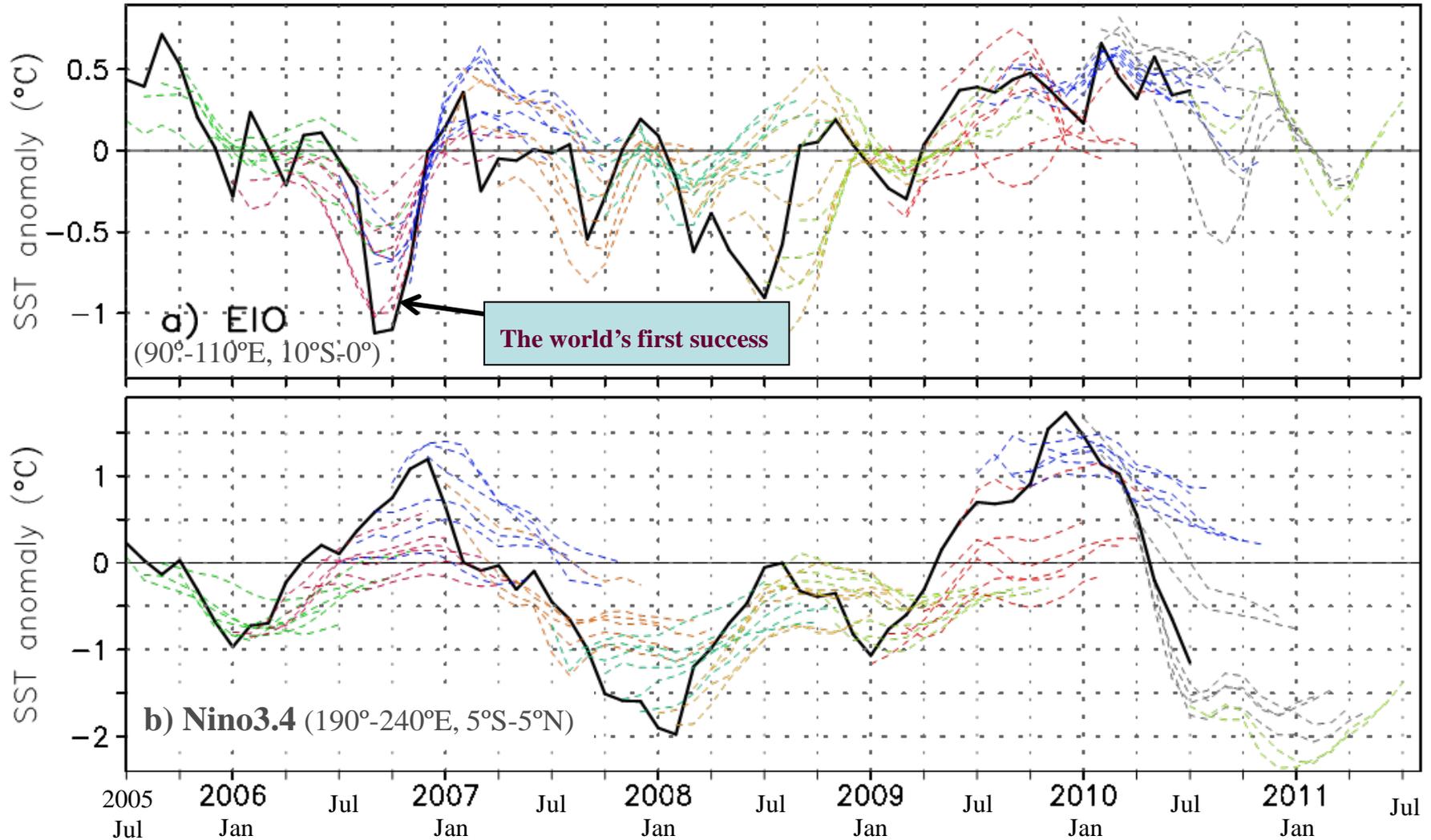
Indian Ocean  
Dipole

9-member  
ensemble  
hindcasts  
(1982-2004)

**Predictable up  
to ~2 seasons  
ahead.**

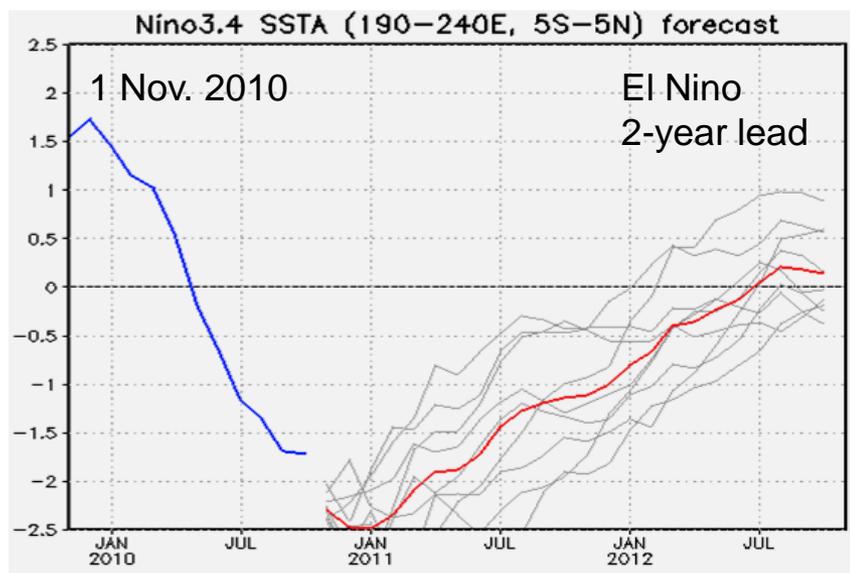
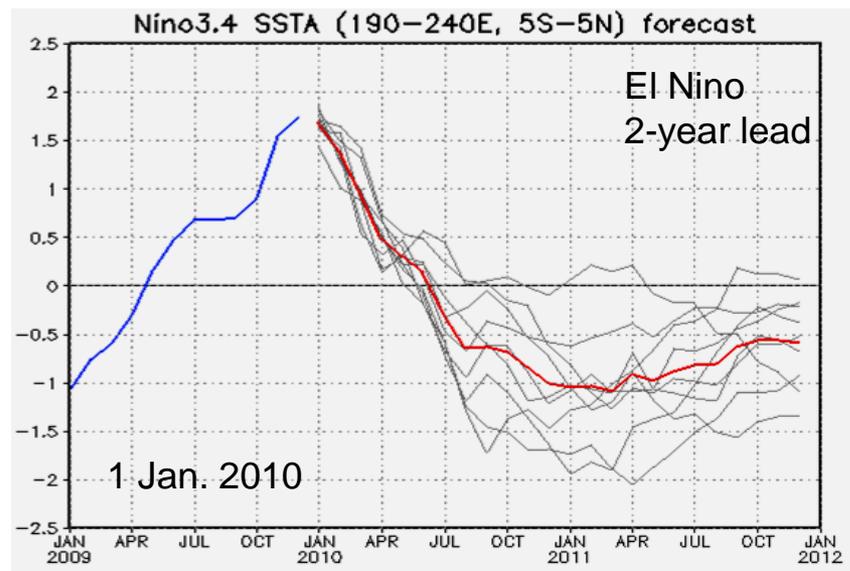
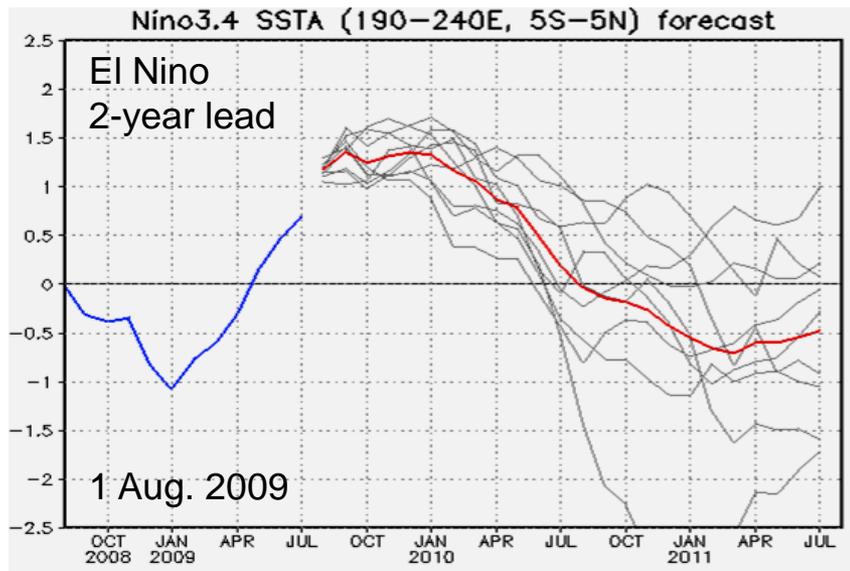
# Real time forecasts (SINTEX-F CGCM, 27-member mean)

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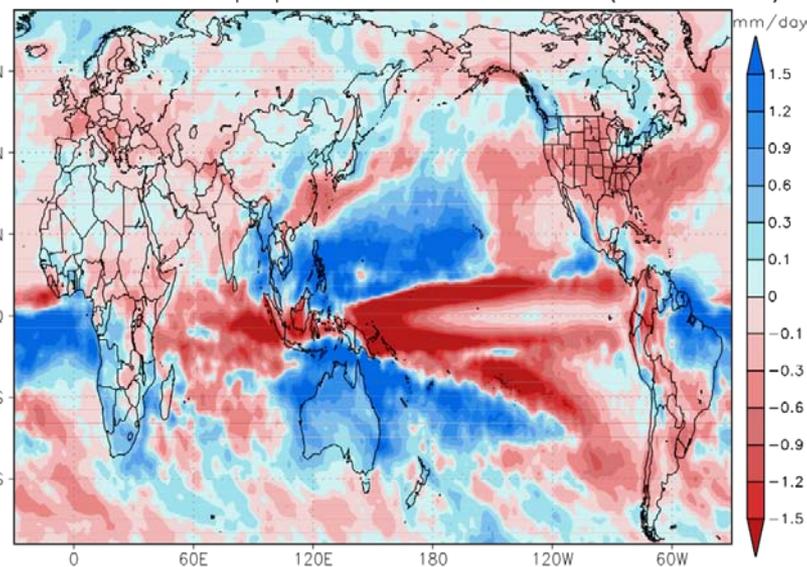


# Real time forecasts

([http://www.jamstec.go.jp/frcgc/research/d1/iod/sintex\\_f1\\_forecast.html.en](http://www.jamstec.go.jp/frcgc/research/d1/iod/sintex_f1_forecast.html.en))



Predicted MAM2011 tprep anom. from 1nov2010 (27-member)



# Global warming:

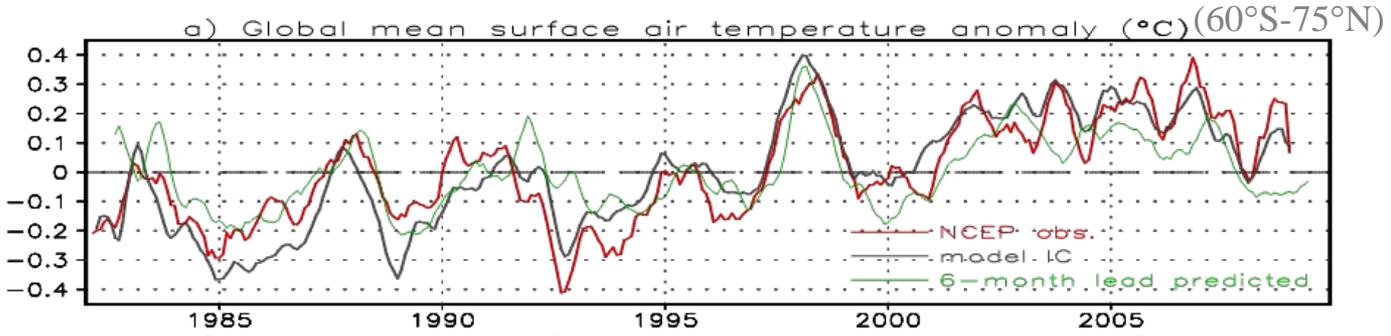
Warming rate

(°C/10-yr):

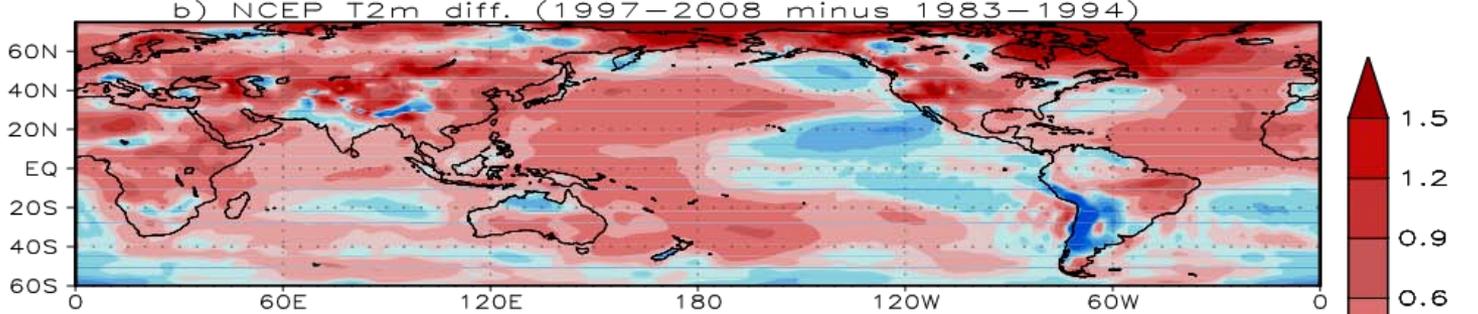
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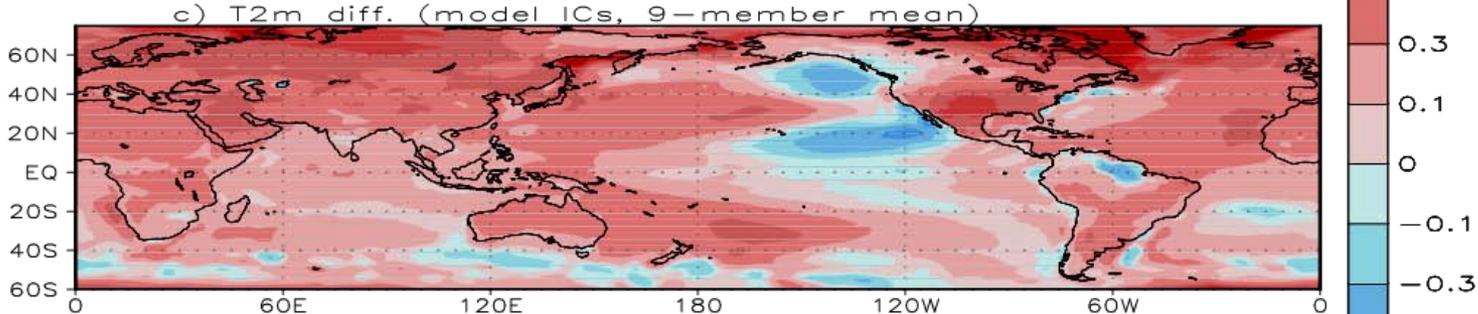
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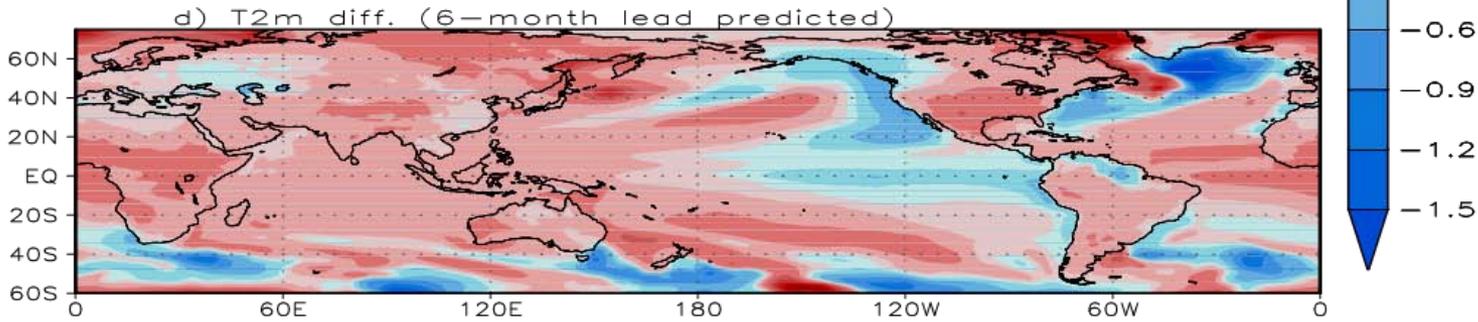
Land: 0.36°C  
Ocean: 0.20°C



Land: 0.45°C  
Ocean: 0.24°C  
(SST forcing with fixed GHGs)

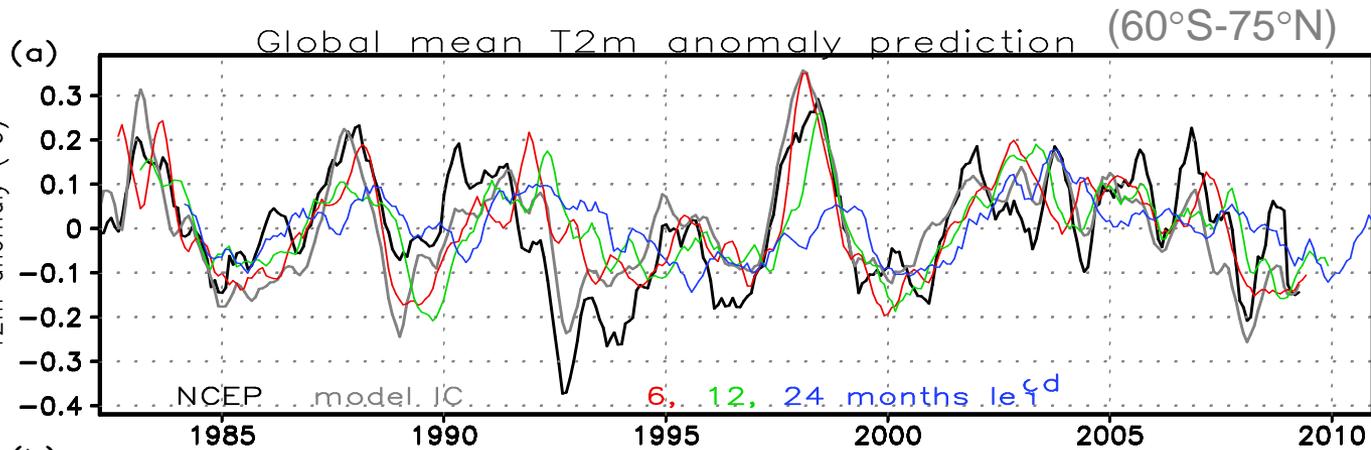


Land: 0.20°C  
Ocean: 0.09°C  
(with fixed GHGs)

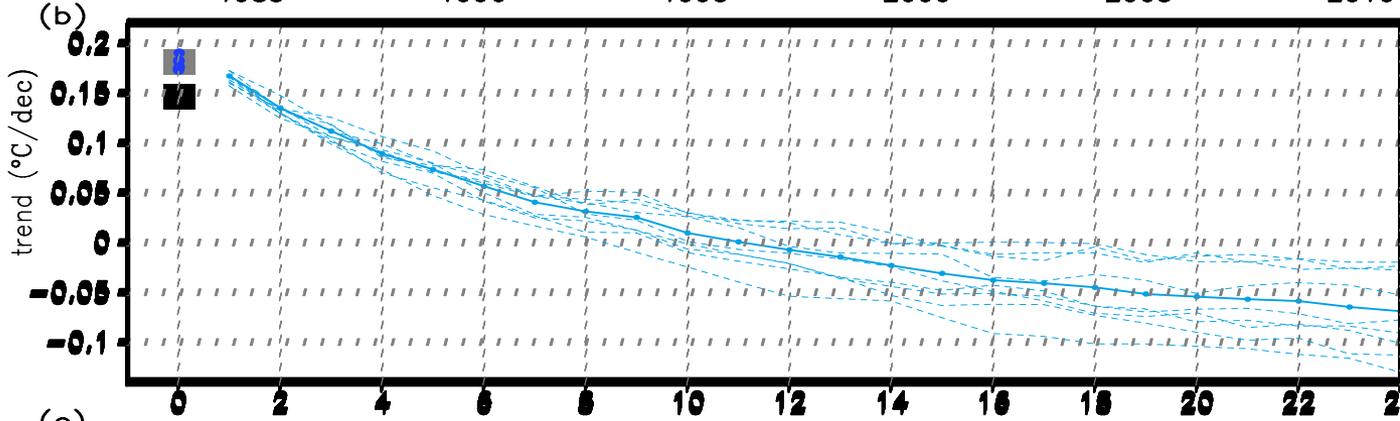


# Impact of global warming:

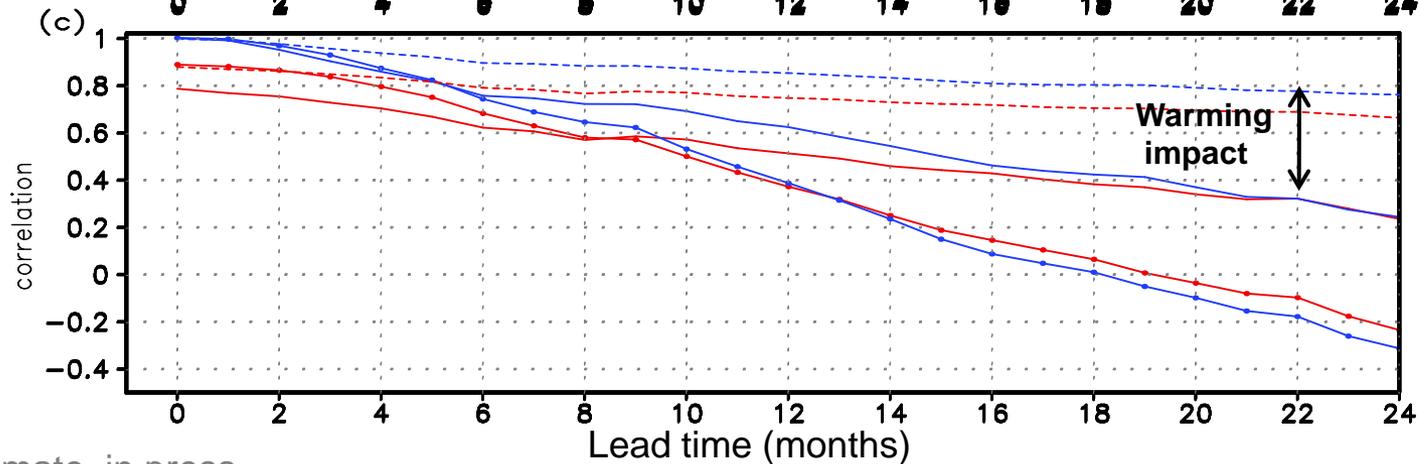
Detrended global mean surface air temperature (5-month running mean)



Trend (1982-2008)



Skills for original, detrended, and "perfect trend" time series

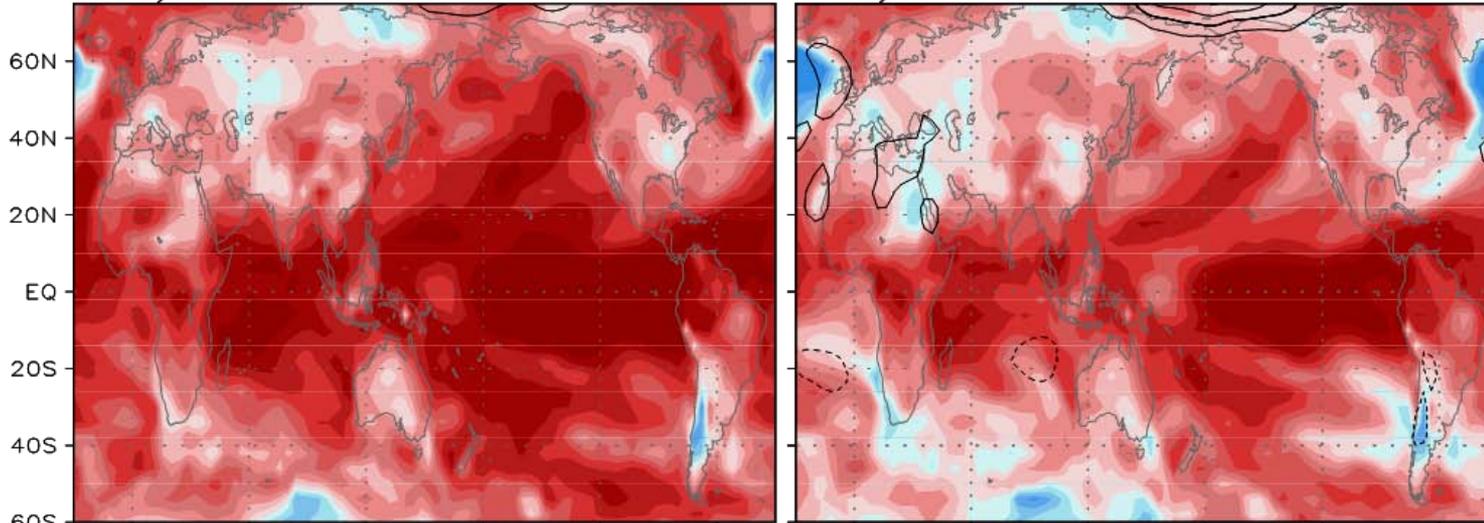


# Impact of global warming on climate predictability

ACC of global T2m anomaly

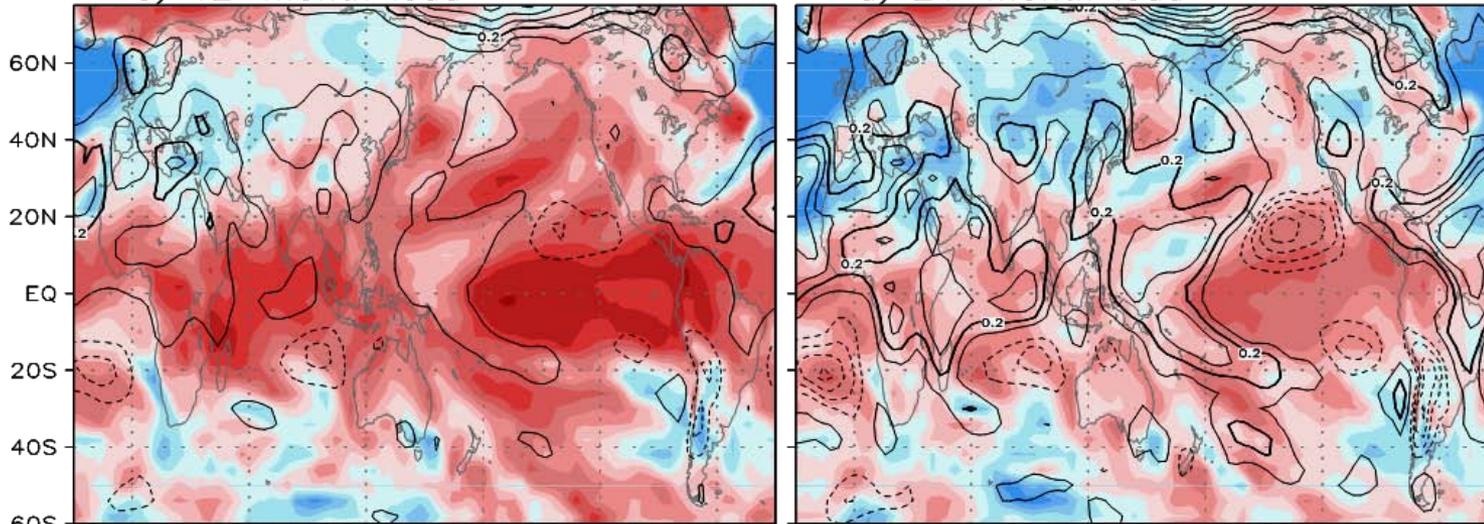
a) 3-month lead

b) 6-month lead



c) 12-month lead

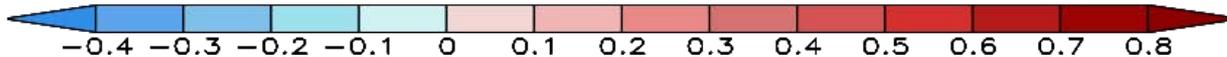
d) 24-month lead



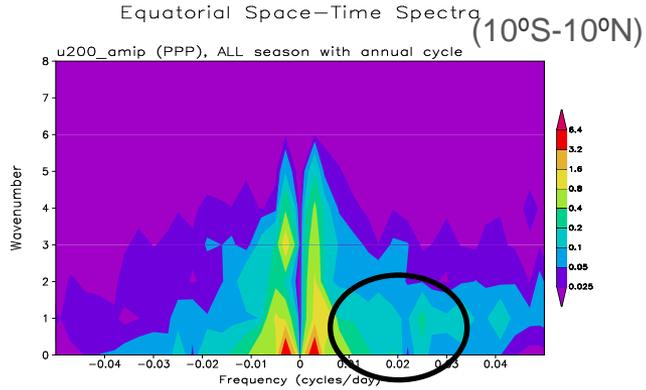
9-member ensemble hindcast (1982-2008) with fixed GHGs

Contour:  $\pm 0.1$ ,  $\pm 0.2$ ,  $\pm 0.3$ , ....

4° x 4° grid cells

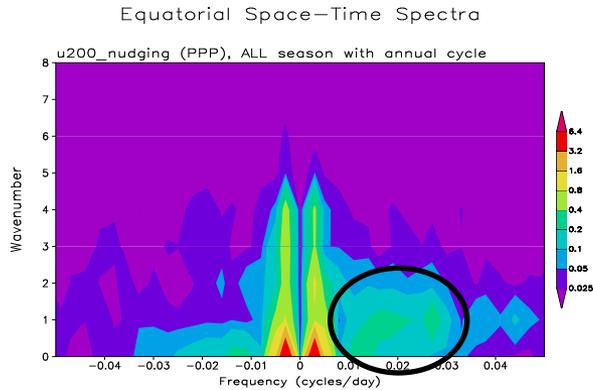


# Toward seamless climate prediction (intraseasonal-seasonal-interannual-decadal)

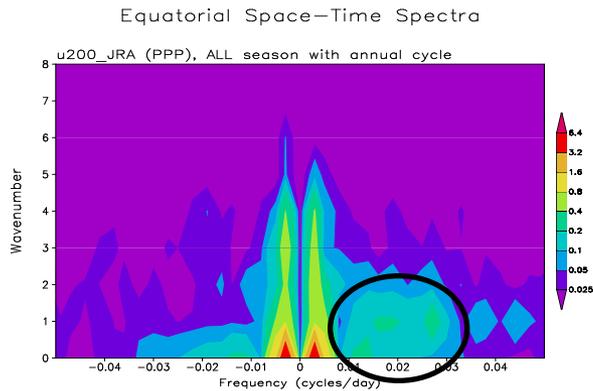


**U200**  
(1990-1999)

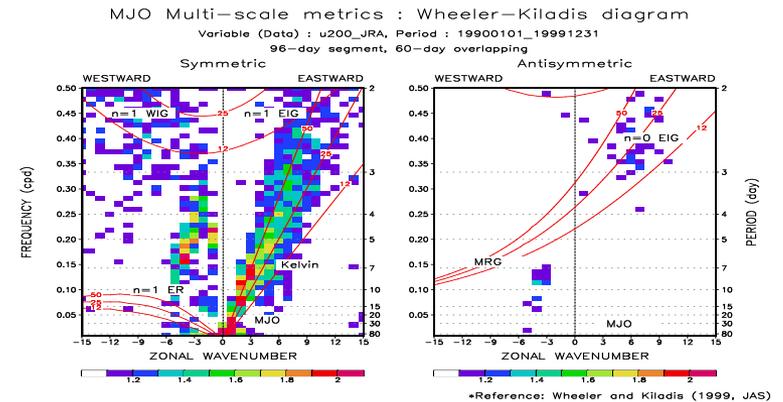
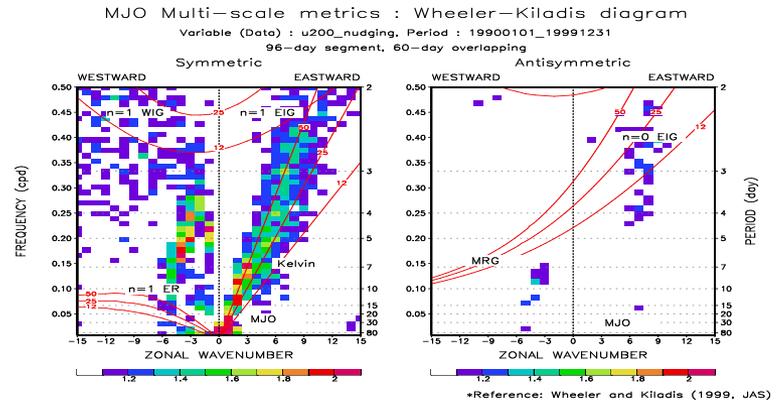
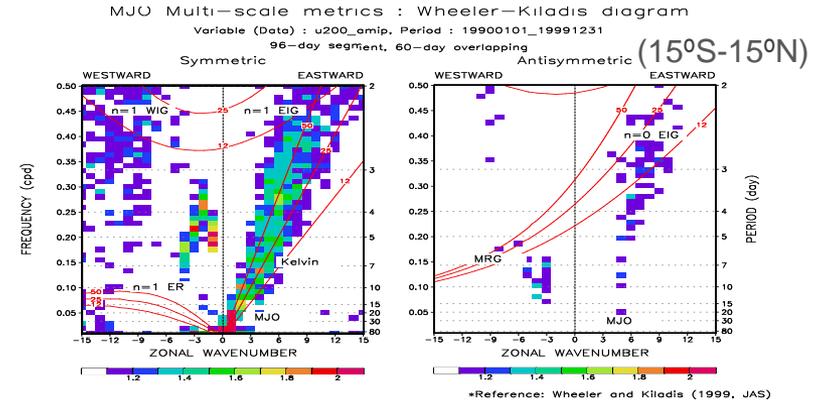
AMIP run



Nudging



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# MJO Life cycle (OLR, U10) (Nov-Apr, 1990-1999)

## AMIP run

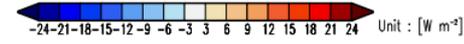
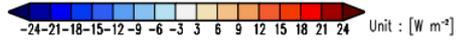
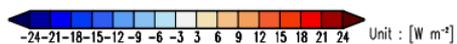
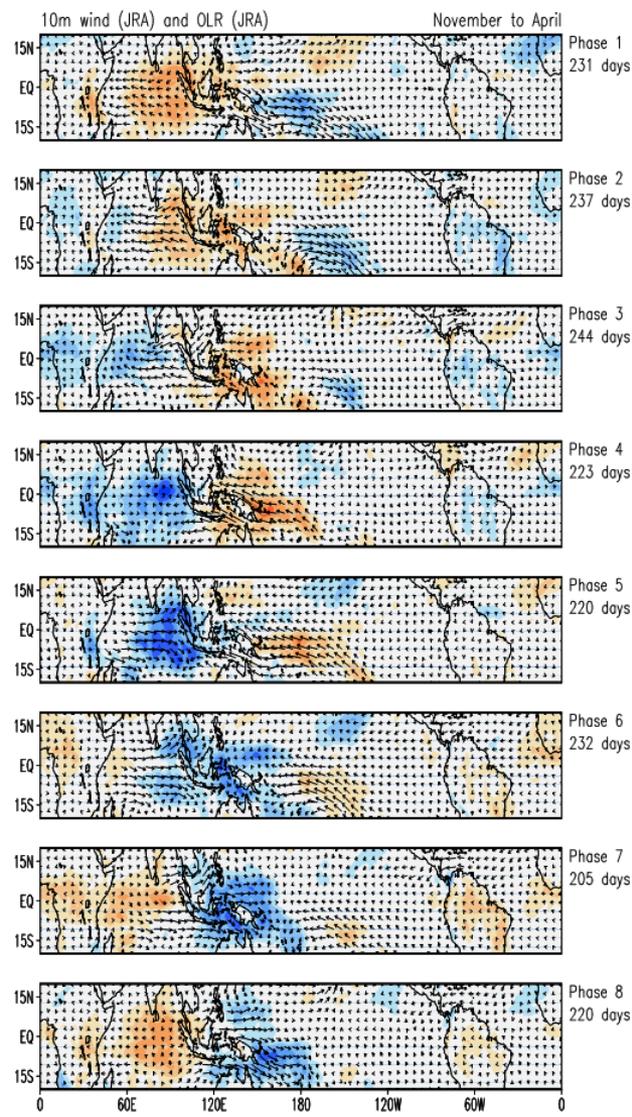
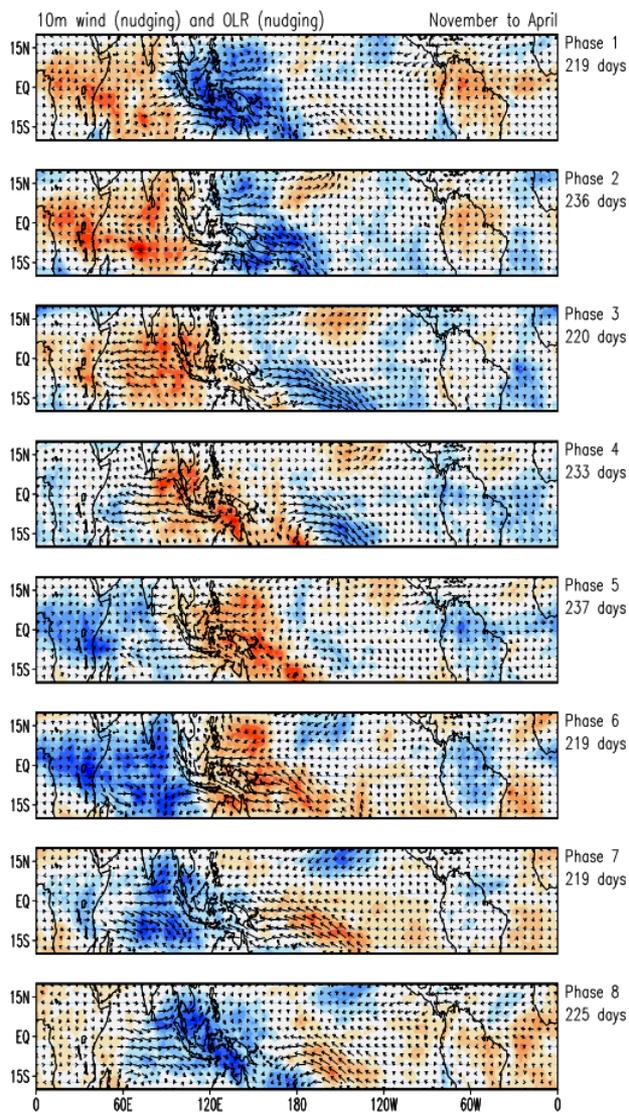
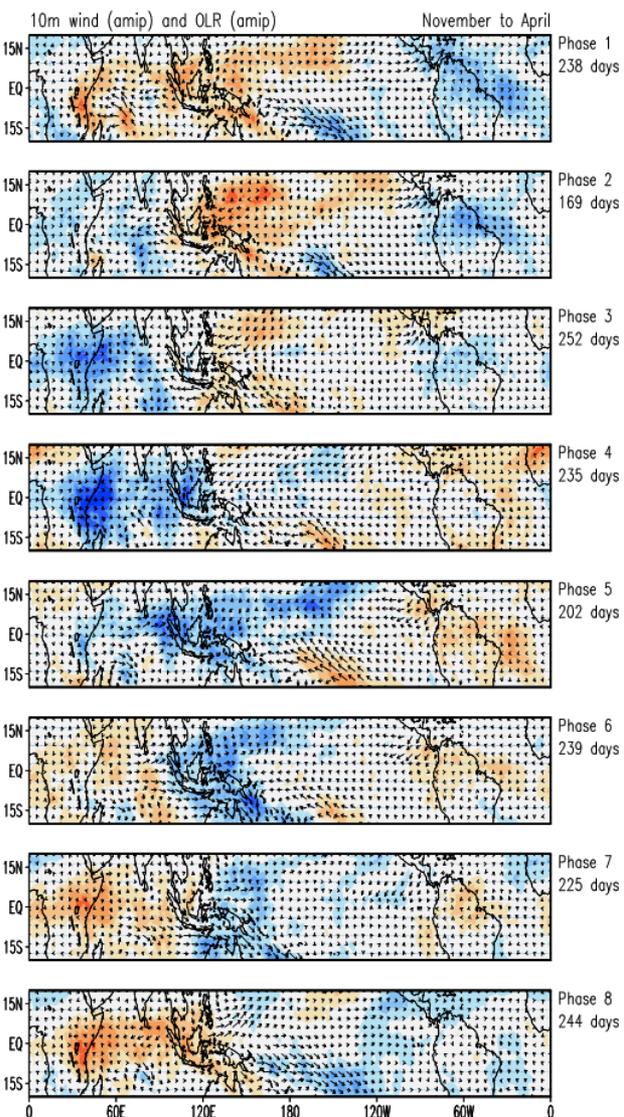
MJO Life cycle composite

## Nudging

MJO Life cycle composite

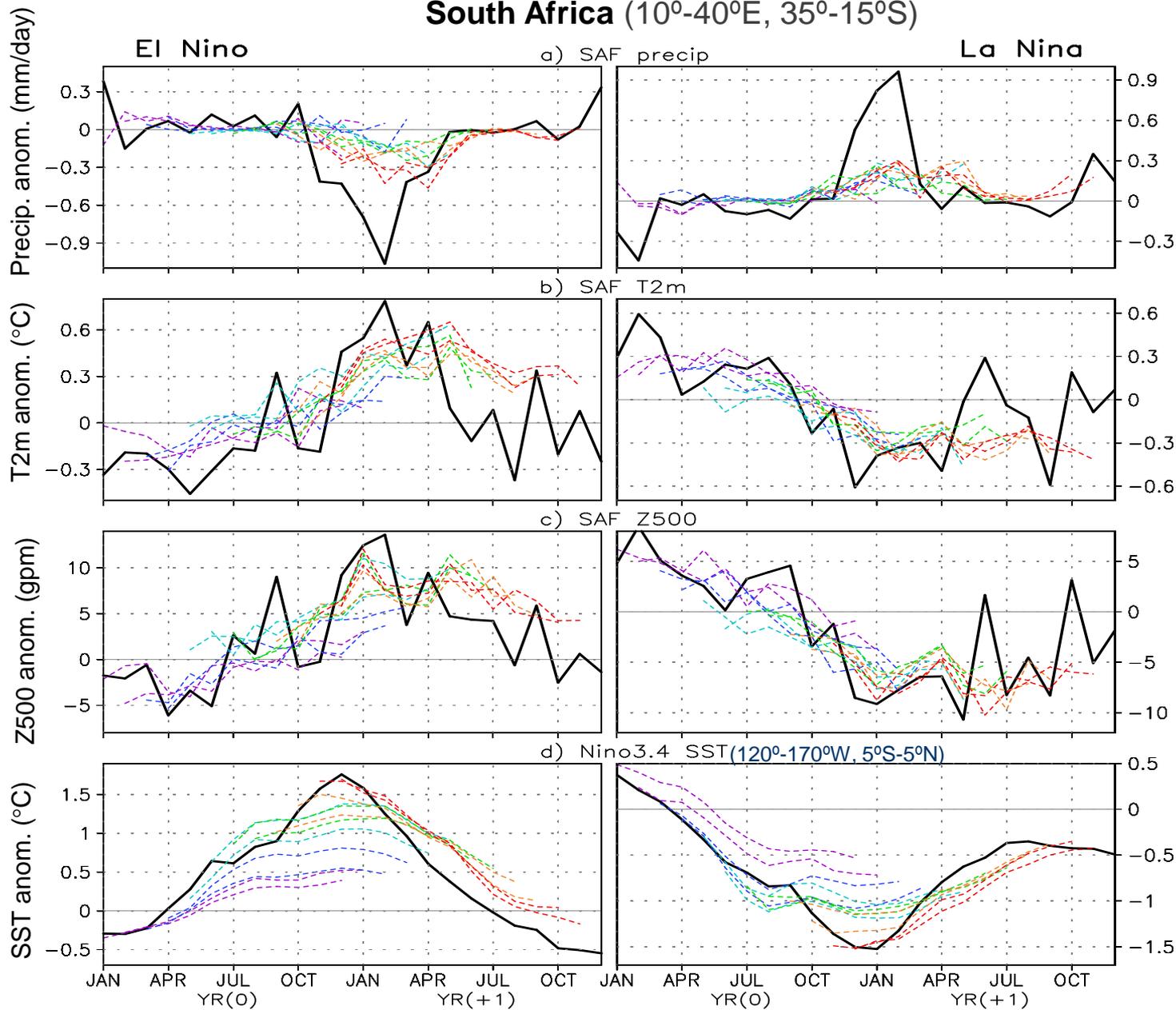
## JRA-25

MJO Life cycle composite



# Application study:

## South Africa (10°-40°E, 35°-15°S)



**El Nino:**

1982/83

1986/87

1991/92

1994/95

1997/98

2002/03

2006/07

**La Nina:**

1984/85

1988/89

1995/96

1998/99

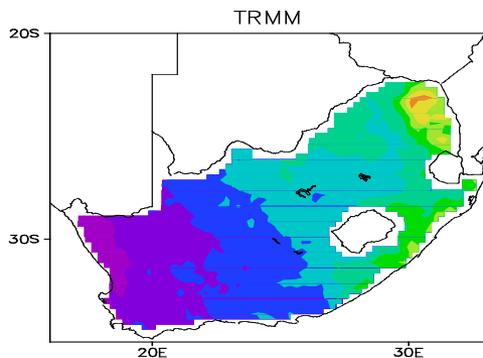
1999/2000

2005/06

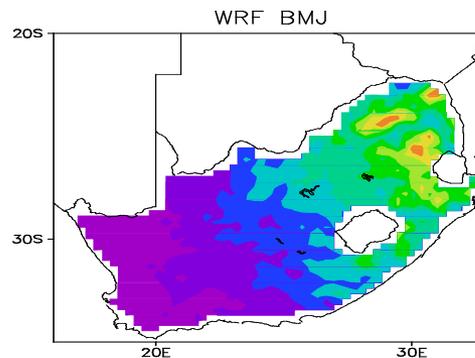
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# Standard Deviation of Daily Precipitation (SIOD years; DJF)

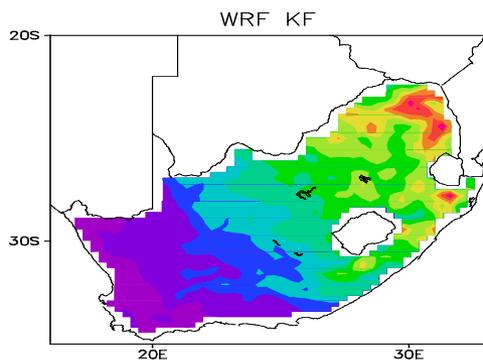
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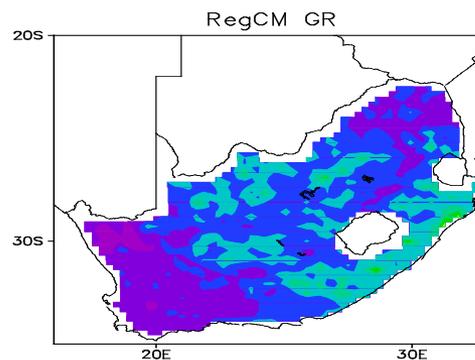
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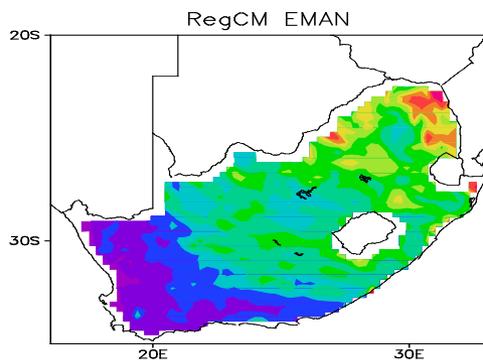
**WRF KF**



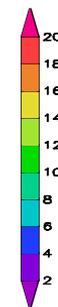
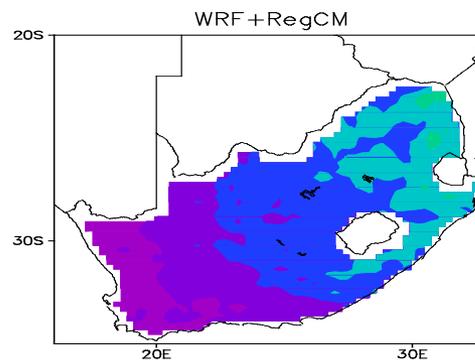
**RegCM GR**



**RegCM EMAN**



**WRF + RegCM**



# Model development:

## Developing SINTEX-F2 model (new version)

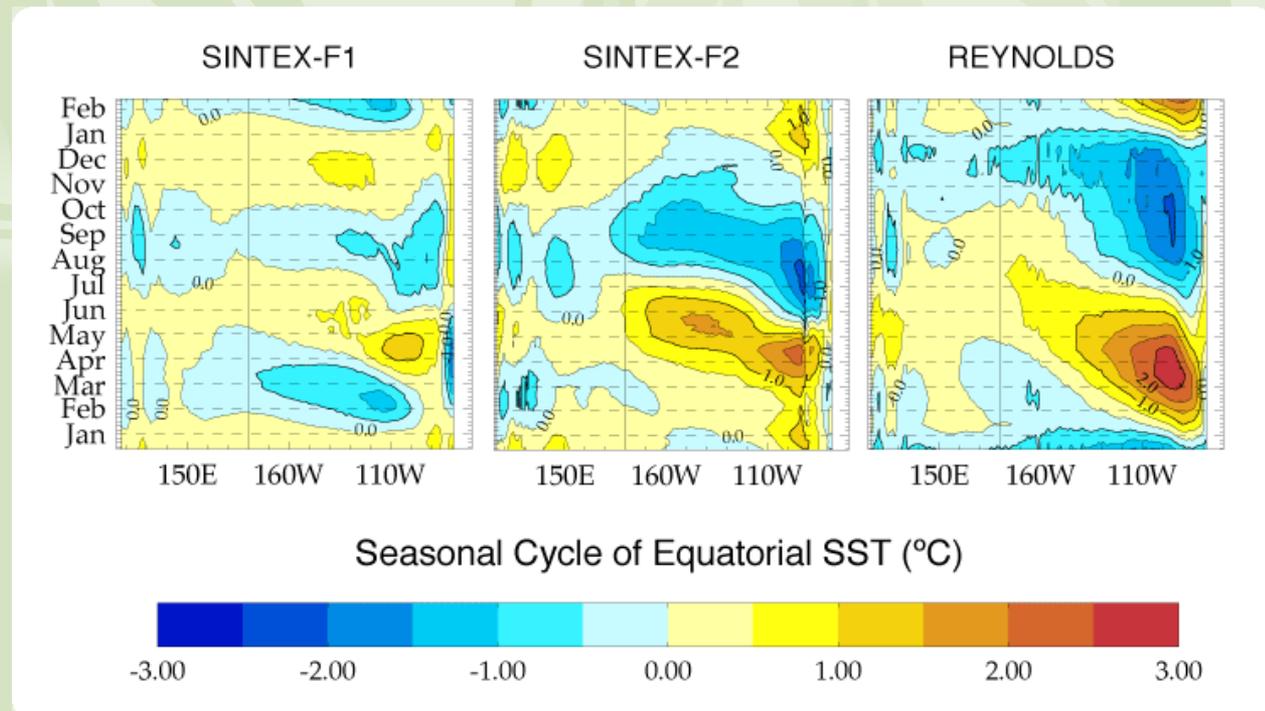
(Collaborated with MPI-Met, LOCEAN, CERFACE,...)

AGCM: ECHAM5 (T106,159,213,319; L31,60,90,191)

OGCM: OPA9 + sea ice (NEMO, 0.5°x0.5°, 0.25°x0.25°)

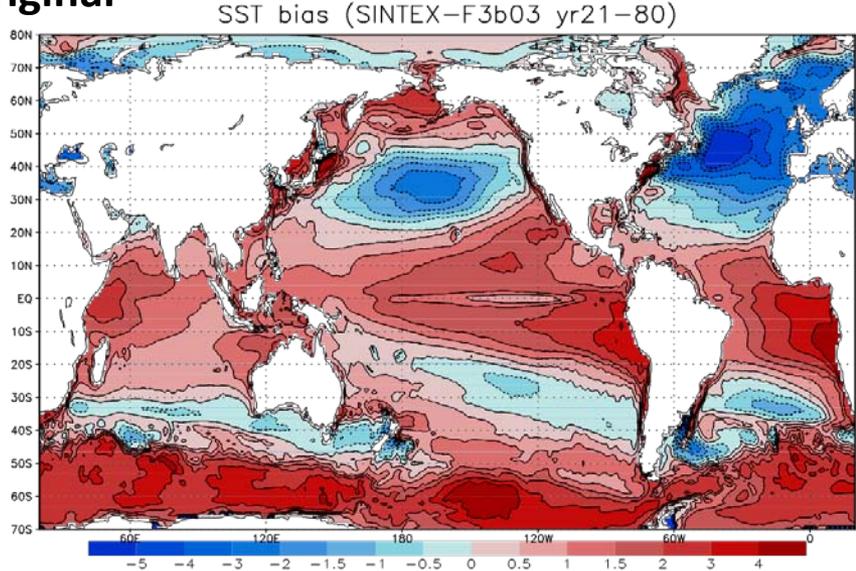
Coupler: Oasis3

Improved  
simulation of  
the Pacific SST  
seasonal cycle

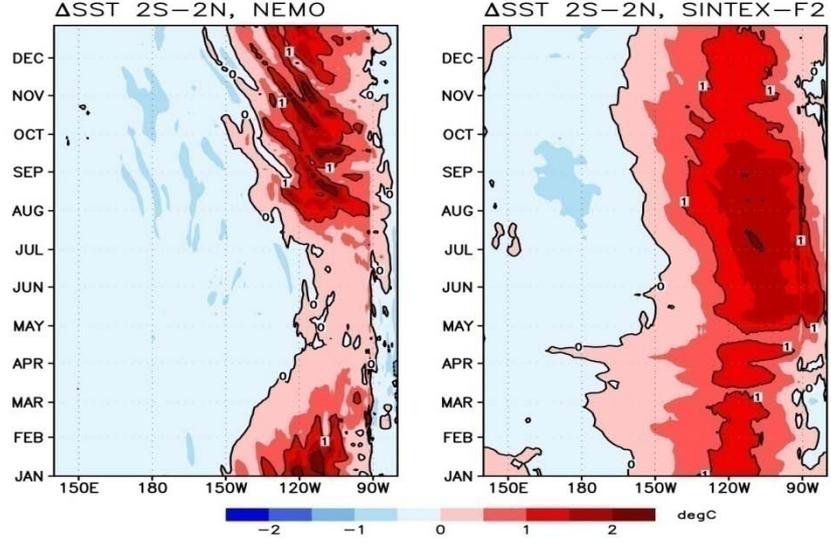


# Improving SINTEX-F2 model (ECHAM5+NEMO3+OASIS3)

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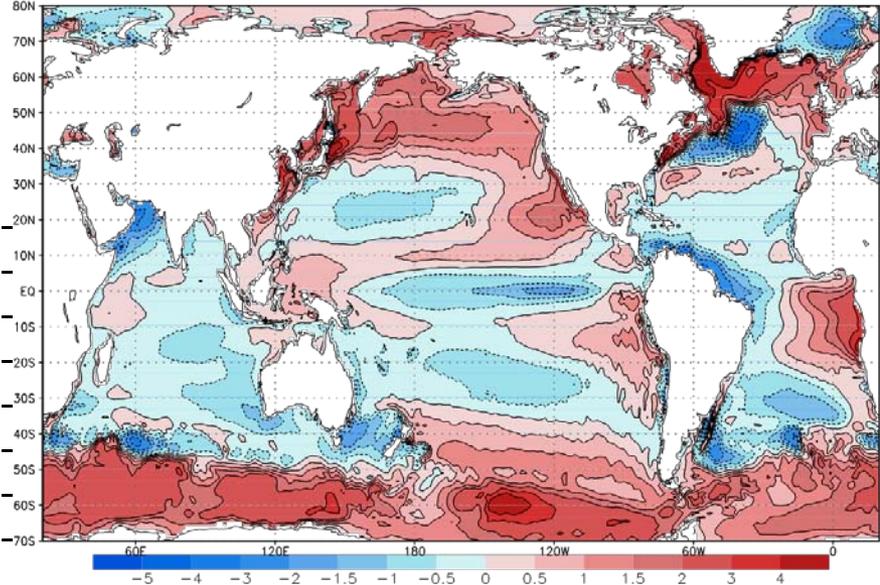


## Further improvement with better small scale mixing



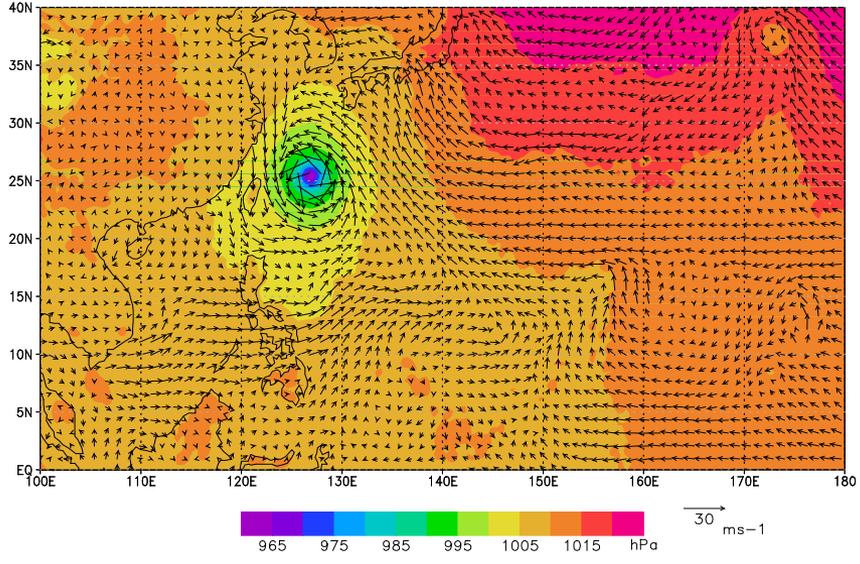
## After improvement

bias (TST78 yr51-100)



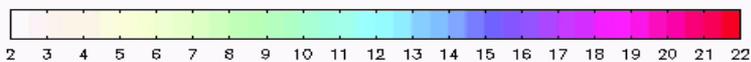
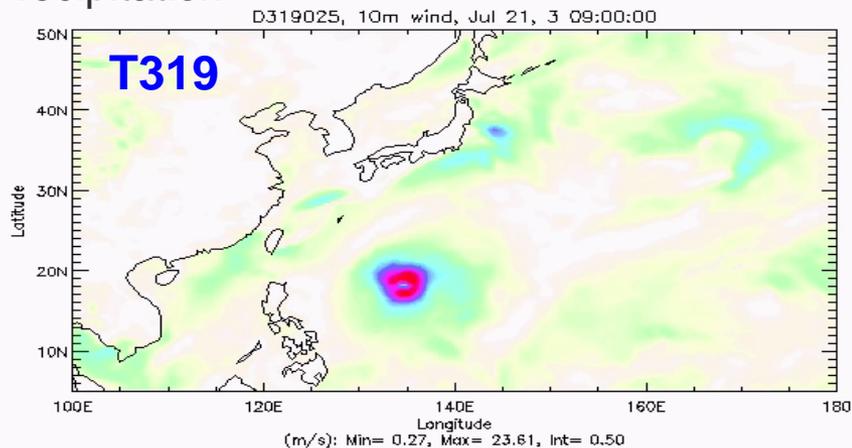
## High-resolution typhoon simulation

SLP and surface wind vectors, 0004:09:23:12

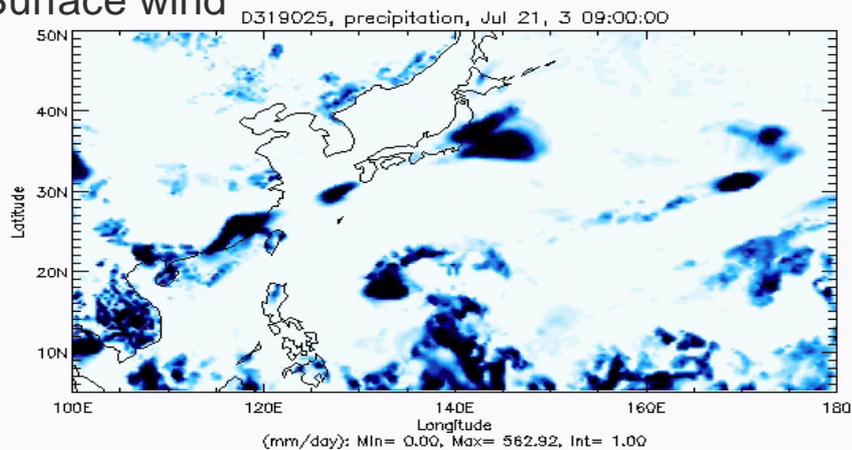


# High-resolution model development:

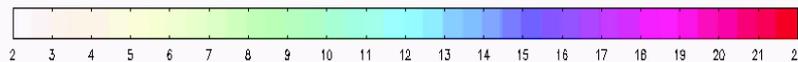
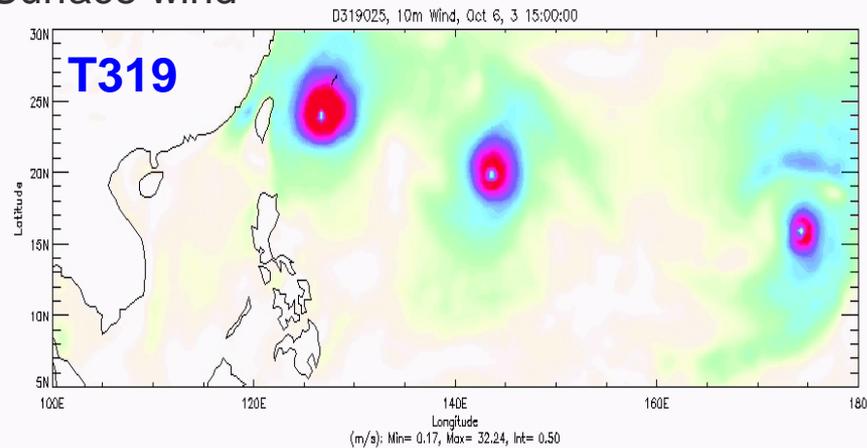
## Precipitation



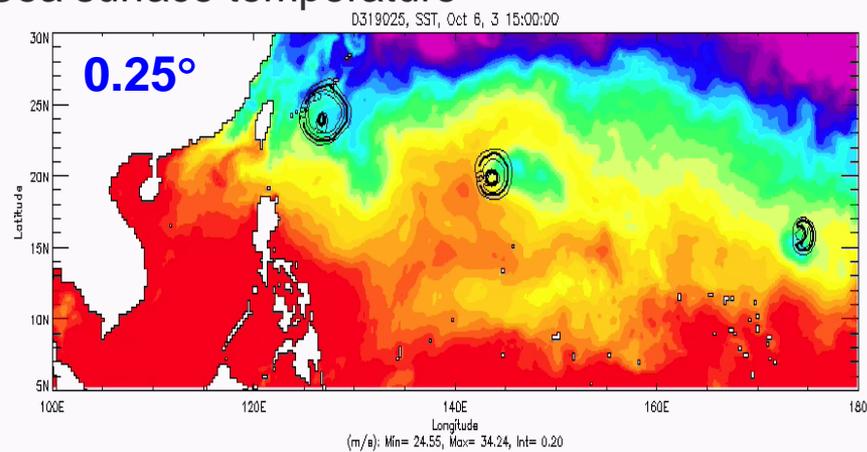
## Surface wind



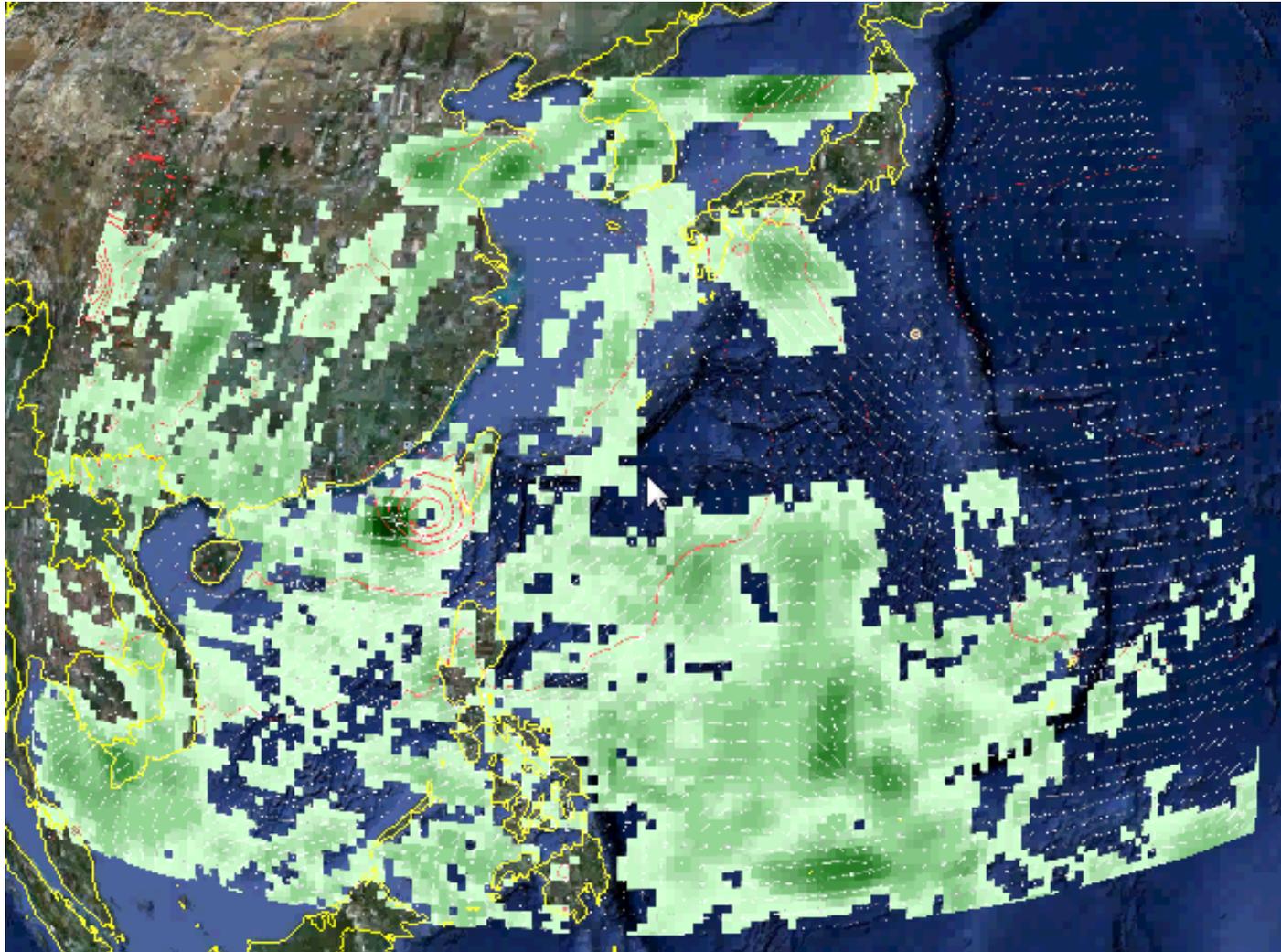
## Surface wind



## Sea surface temperature



# Typhoon animation (Jul-Oct 0019)

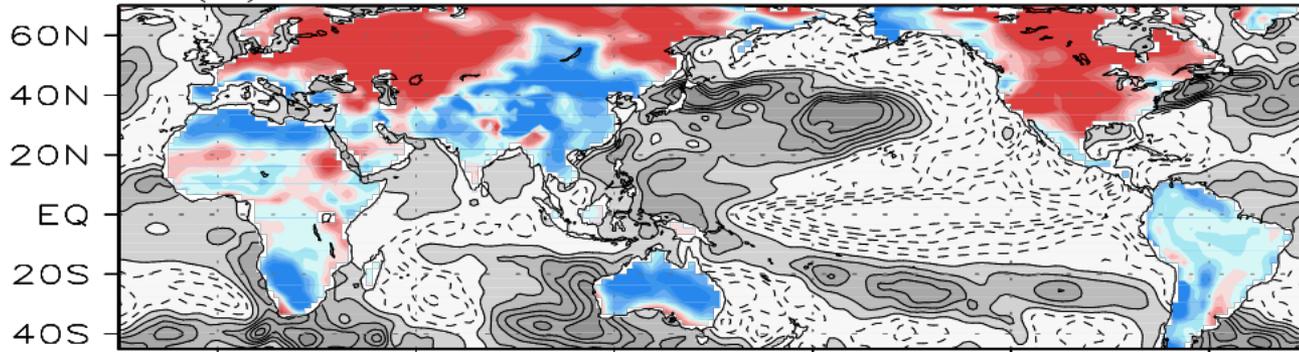


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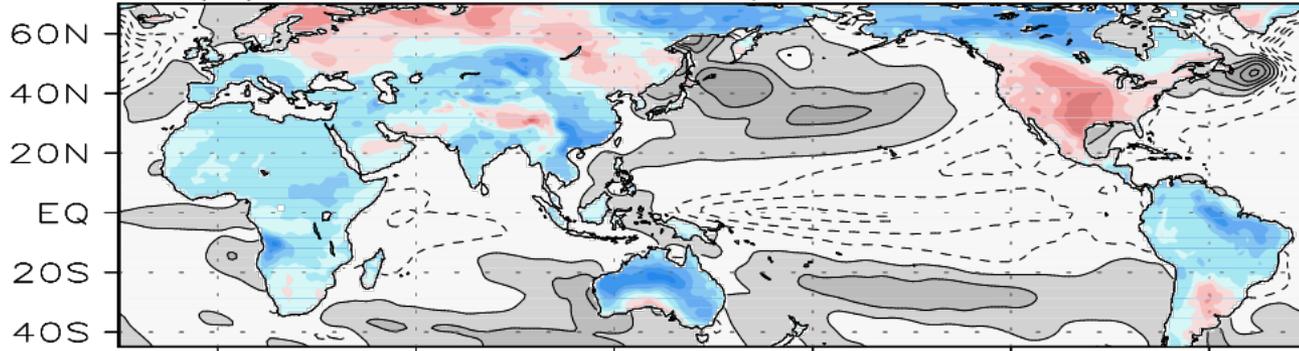
# Summary:

- **Developed SINTEX-F1 model for climate study and prediction** (ENSO: 1-2 years ahead; IOD: 6-12 months ahead)
- **Developing seamless climate prediction system** (intraseasonal-seasonal-interannual-decadal)
- **Increasing the societal value of climate information** (downscaling to South Africa and other areas)
- **Developing SINTEX-F2 model with high-resolution typhoon simulation** (serve as a better tool for climate studies and prediction)

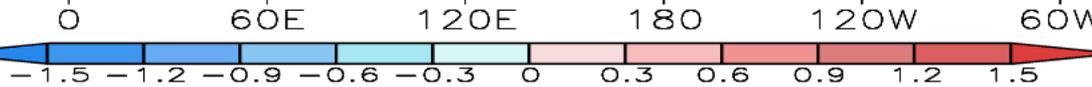
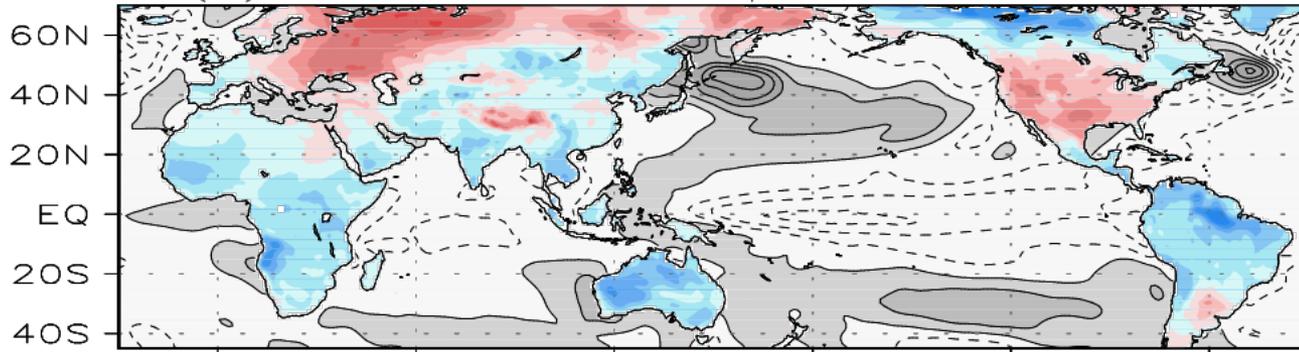
(a) Dec 1999–Feb 2000; observed



(b) 18-month lead predicted



(c) 24-month lead predicted

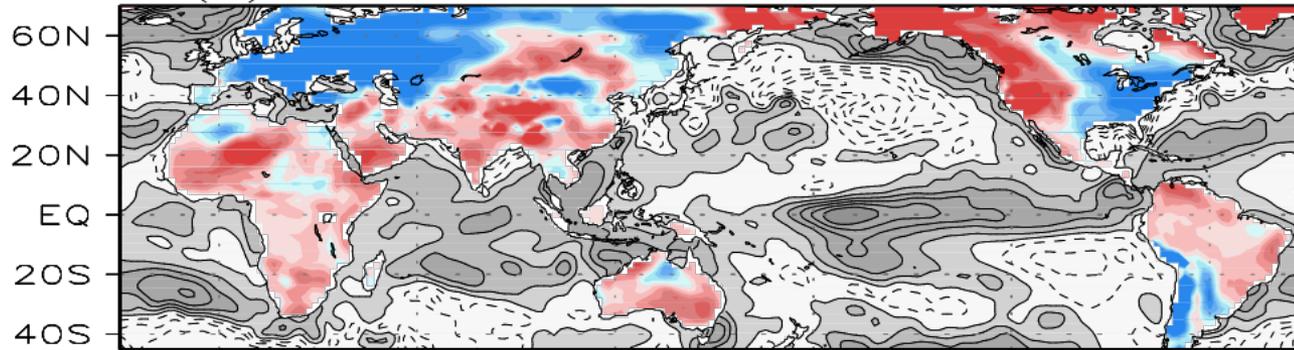


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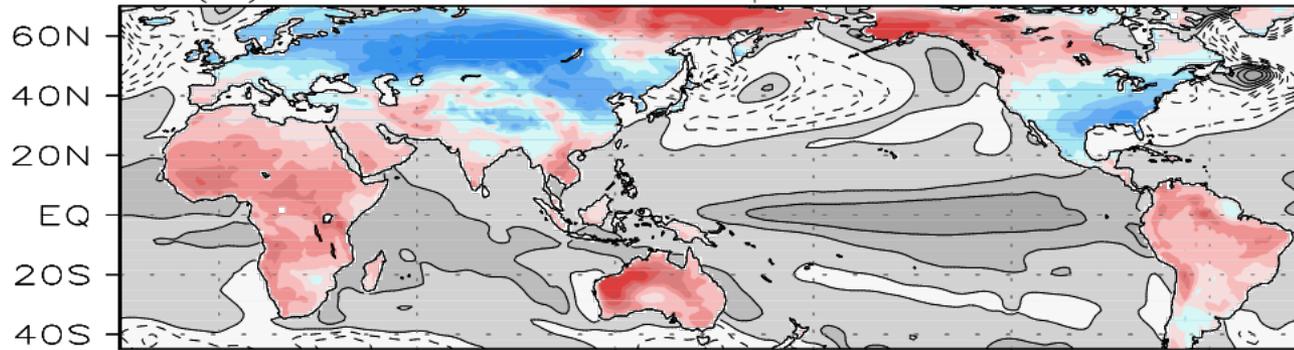
Contour interval  
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**Consistent with  
classical ENSO  
theory**

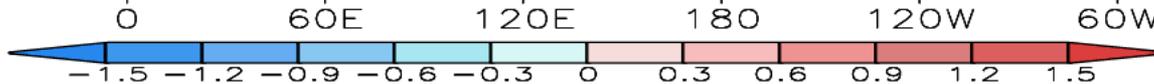
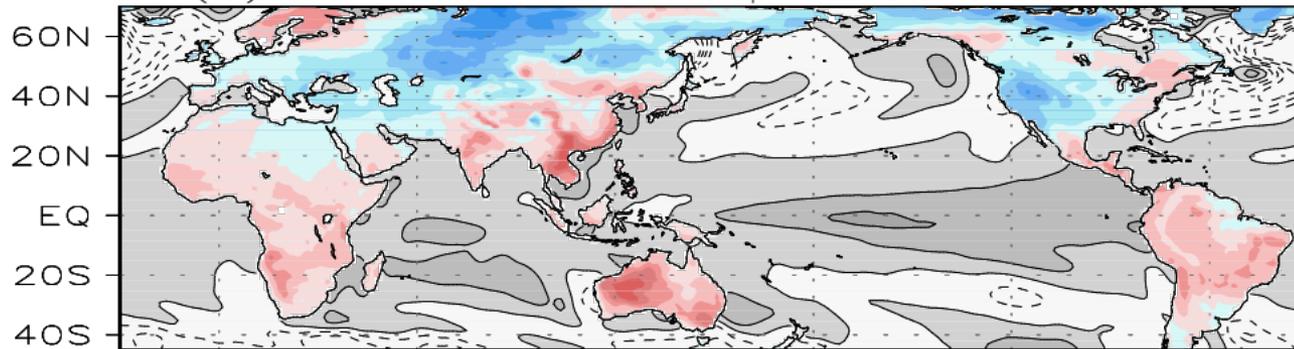
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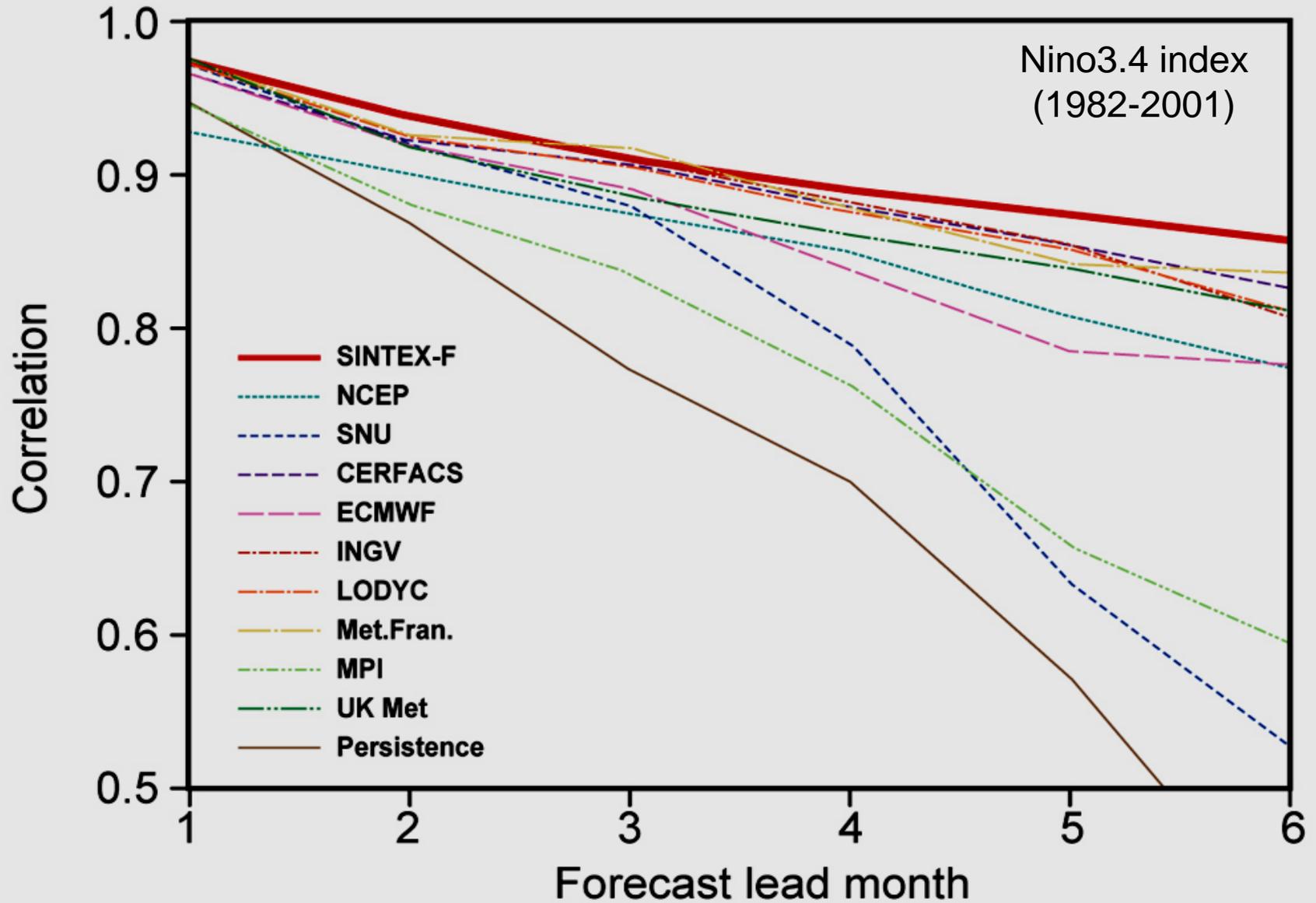


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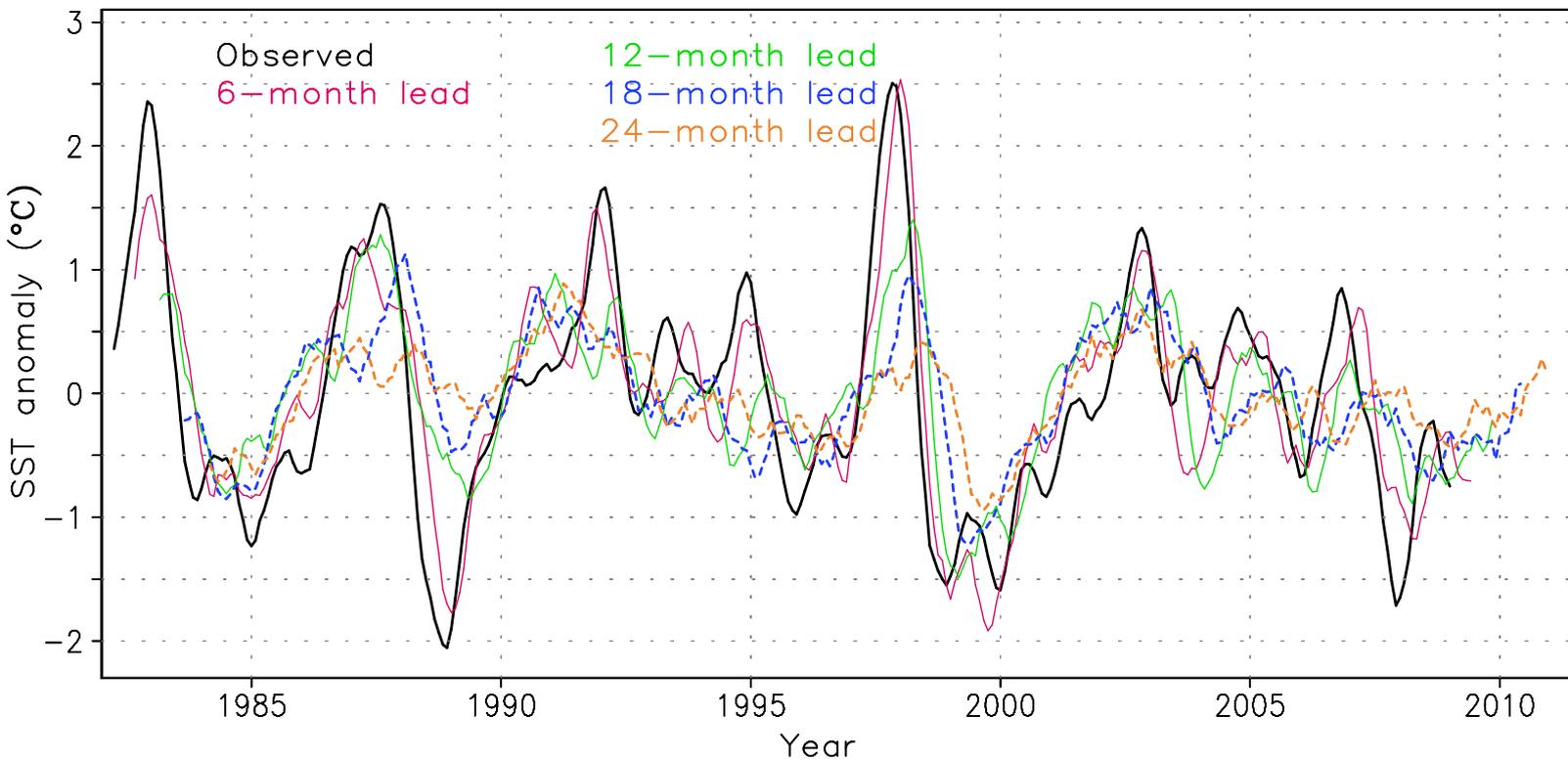
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## ENSO prediction skill of 10 coupled GCMs



### Nino3.4 SSTA prediction up to 2-year lead

(correlation skill >0.6 up to 16 months lead, ~0.5 at 2-year lead)

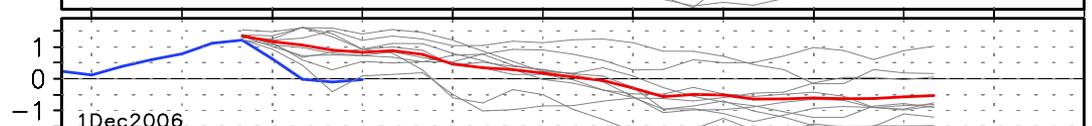
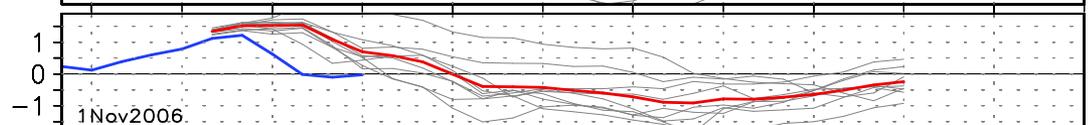
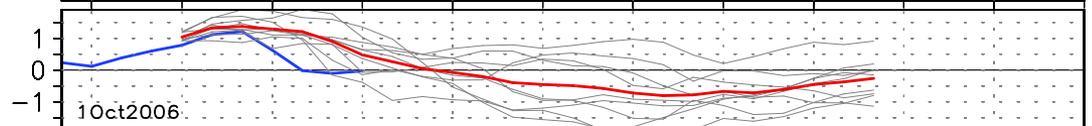
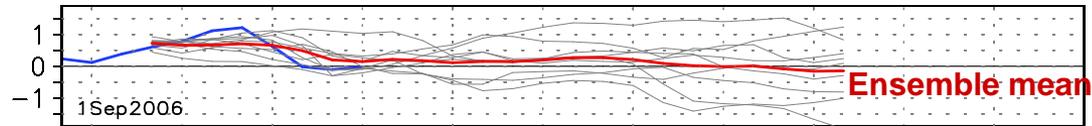


### Decadal ENSO: ~12-yr period

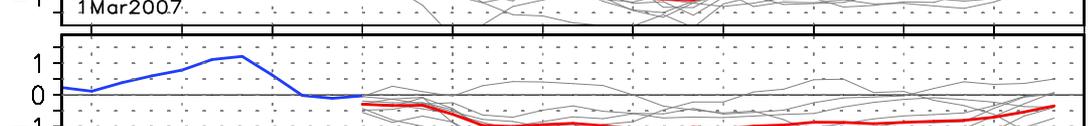
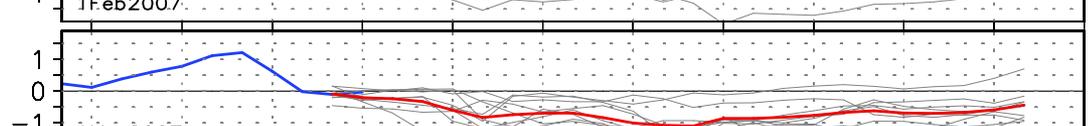
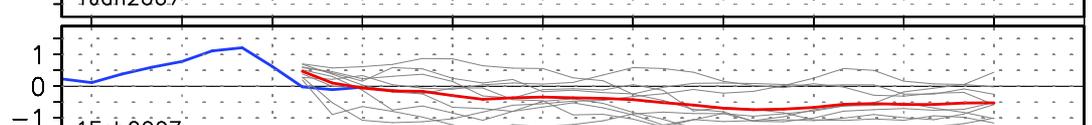
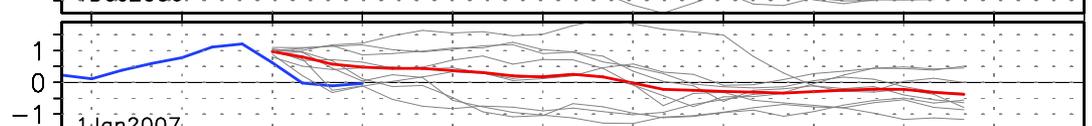
(Luo and Yamagata JGR-Ocean 2001; Luo et al. GRL 2003)

# Nino3.4 SSTA forecast up to 2-year ahead (9-member)

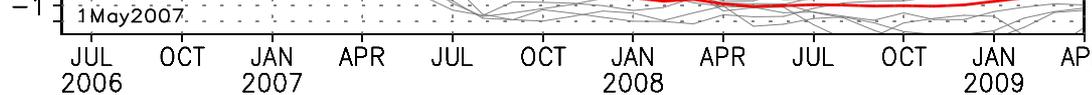
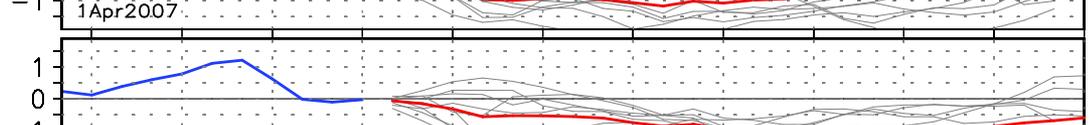
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The La Nina condition would be long-lived according to the model forecast.

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