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Date	Time	Team	Topic
2021-07-21	10.00	Carmen & Michael	Spatial pattern of West European surface temperatures from CNNs
2021-07-21	10.15	Stefan & Alexander	Spatial pattern of average wind speeds over West Europe using CNNs
2021-07-21	10.30	Johannes & Adrian	Regions of similar behaviour for West European rainfall from climate network communities
2021-07-21	10.45	Dorothee & Frieder	Latent factors underlying West European surface temperatures from EOFs
2021-07-21	11.00	Leonard & Rosanna	Prediction of West Europe surface temperatures using LSTMs
2021-07-21	11.15	Ludwig & Christian	Rainfall over West Europe as a correlate of North Atlantic Oscillation (NAO)
2021-07-21	11.30	Merle & Mara	Predicting spatial pattern of West European rainfall using CNNs
2021-07-28	10.00	Felix & Moritz	Causal maps between NAO and WE precipitation
2021-07-28	10.15	Kari & Naman	Mortality rates in West Europe modeled using cold / warm extremes
2021-07-28	10.30	Tim & Shiaw-Shiuan	Predicting West European surface temperatures using Gaussian processes
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# LECTURE 8: Climate networks

ML-4430: Machine learning approaches in climate science

16 June 2021

## What are climate networks

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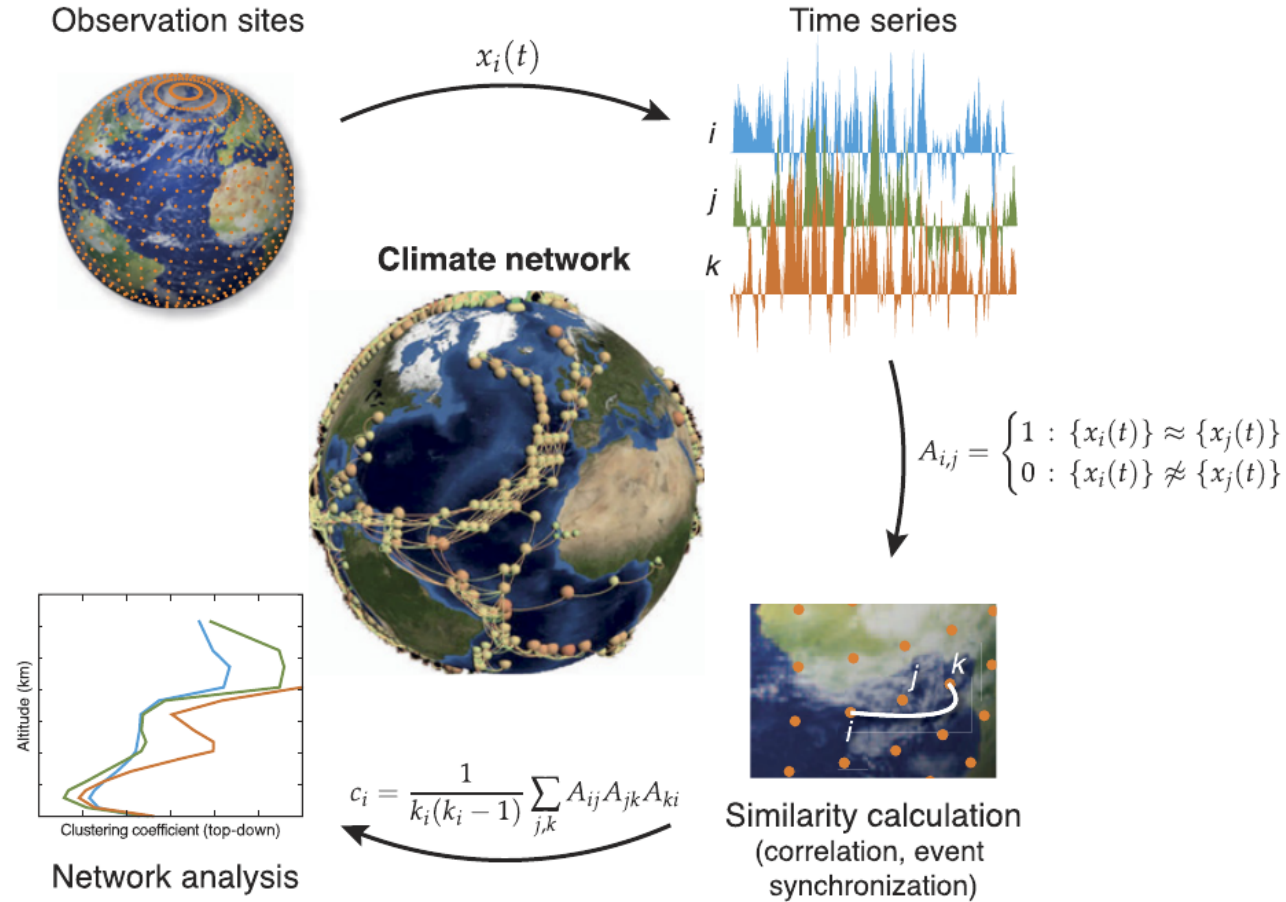
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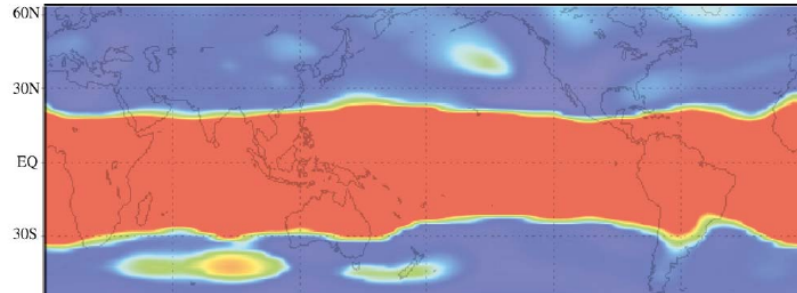
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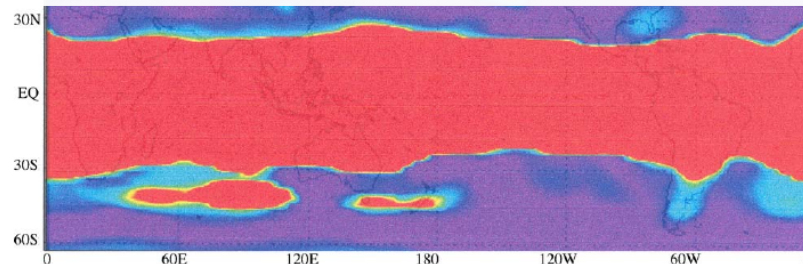
1. What are climate networks → How do we estimate climate networks?

Monthly Z500, 5 deg lat-lon grid, correlation coeff., 1% significance (threshold rho = 0.5)

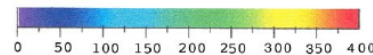


Degree

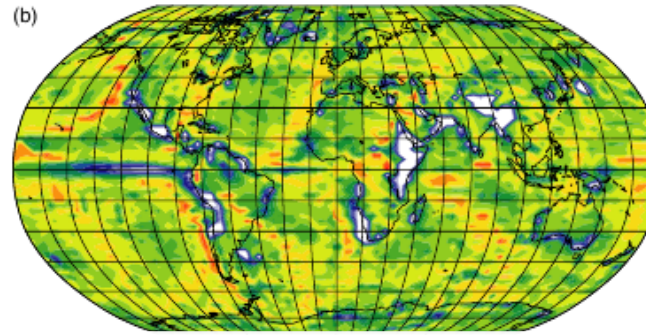
“The physical interpretation [...] is that the climate system exhibits properties of stable networks [...] where information is transferred efficiently [...] ‘information’ should be regarded as ‘fluctuations’ from any source ([e.g.] the tropics, El Niño, etc.).”



Degree > 5000 km

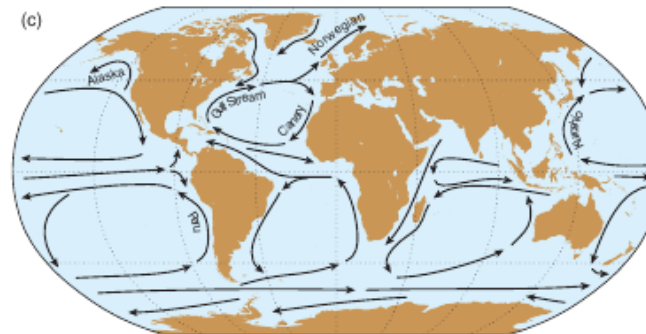


Monthly SAT, 2.5 deg lat-lon grid, Mutual Info., link density 0.5 %



Shortest path betweenness

“In analogy with the internet, we call the network of these channels of high-energy flow the backbone of the climate network.”

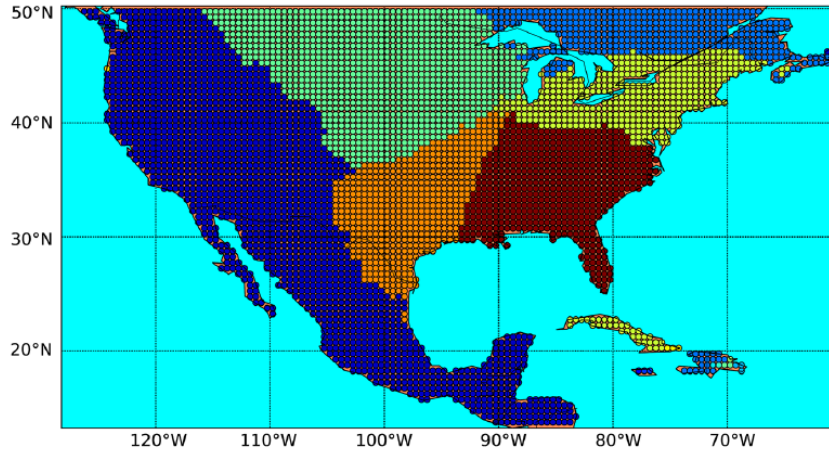


Ocean currents (schematic)

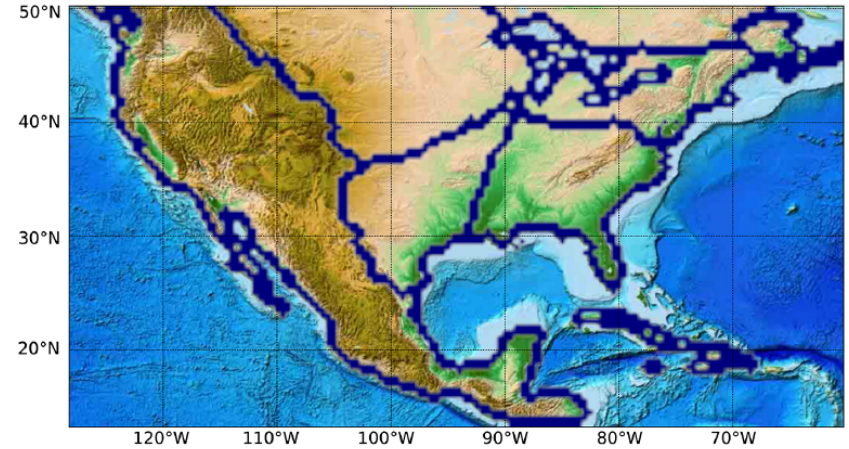
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# Monthly Surface T, 0.5 deg lat-lon grid, Cross correlation, link density 5 %



Network communities



Underlying topography

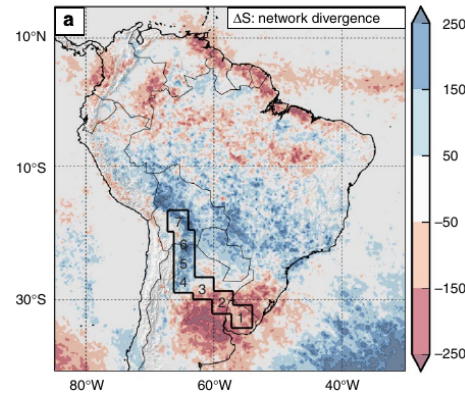
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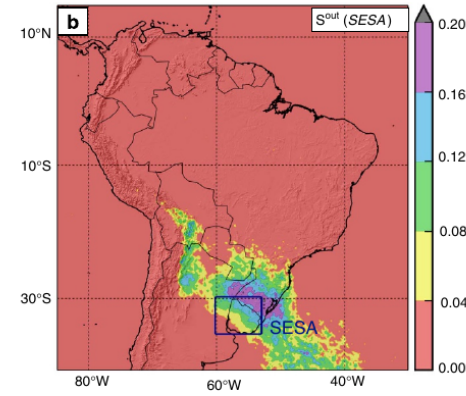


## 3-hourly extreme rainfall, 0.25 deg lat-lon grid, Event Synchronisation, link density 2 %

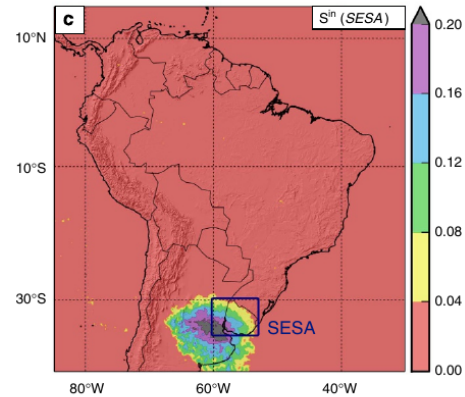
Network divergence



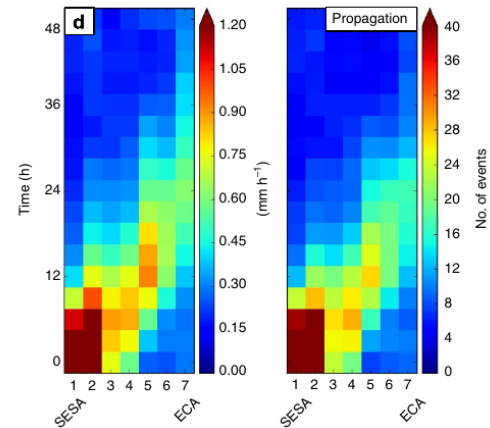
Outgoing links from SESA



Incoming links to SESA



Propagation of events



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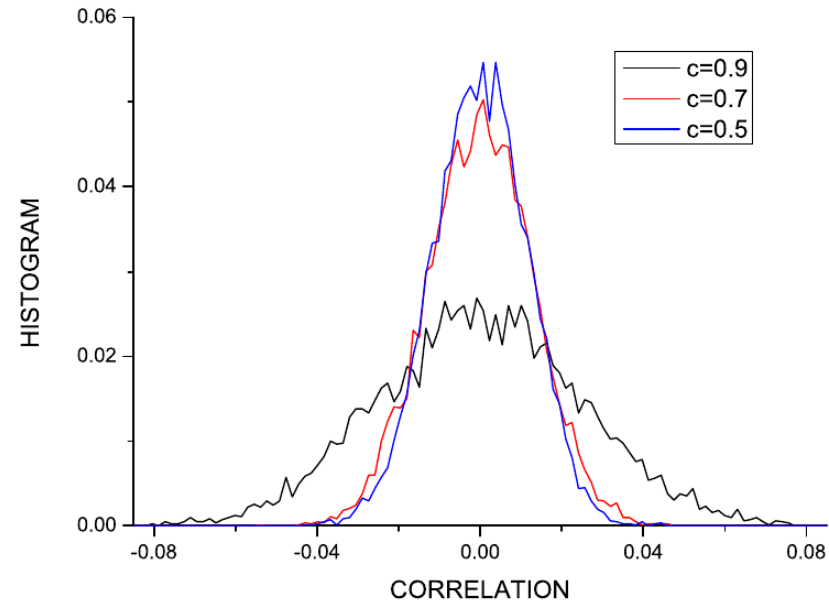
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## Correlations between 8192 independent AR(10) processes for different AR coefficients

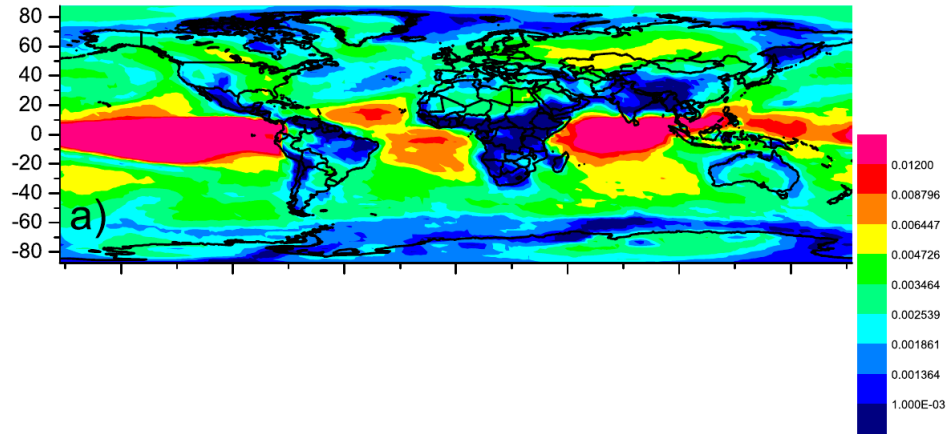


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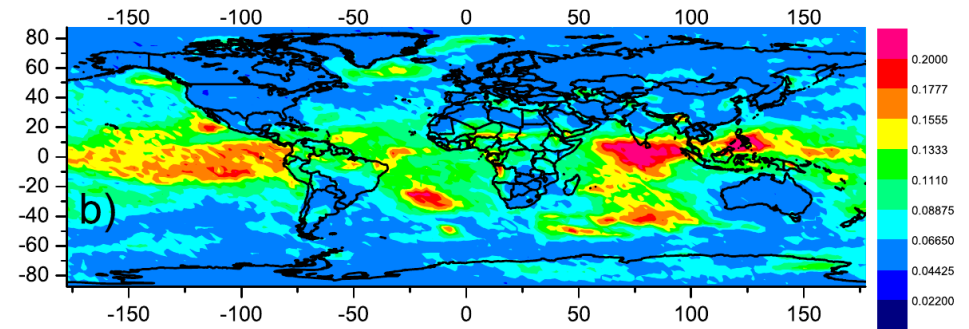
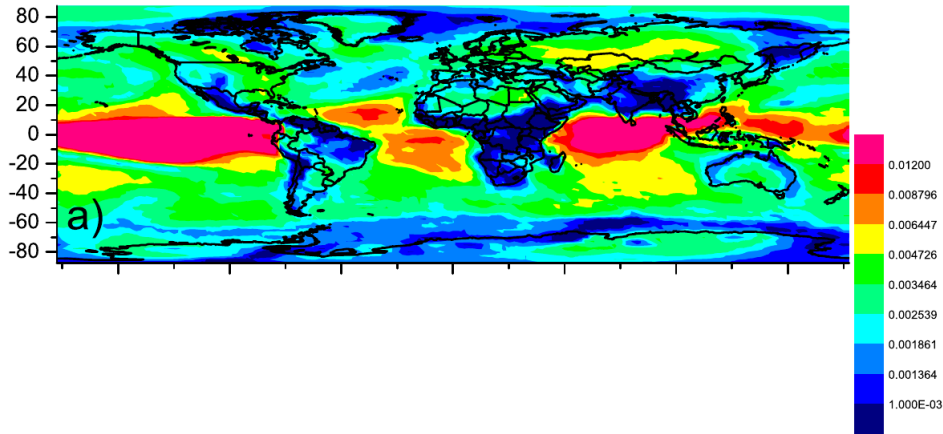
Monthly SAT, 2.5 deg lat-lon grid, absolute correlation coeff., link density 0.5 %

Area-weighted degree (original data)



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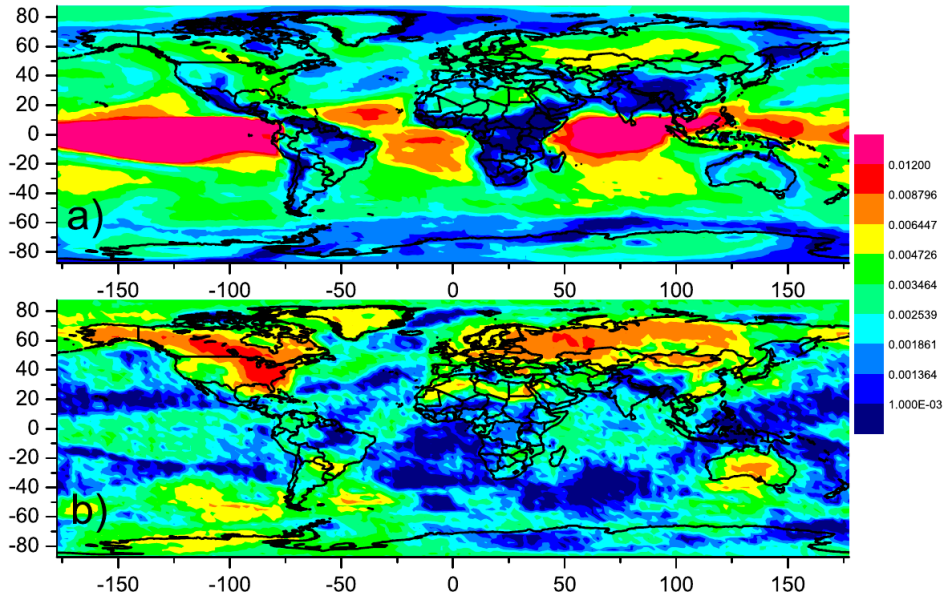
Area-weighted degree (randomised data)

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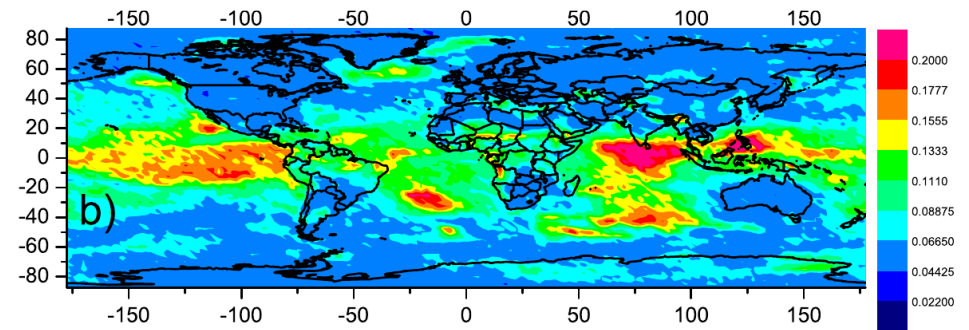


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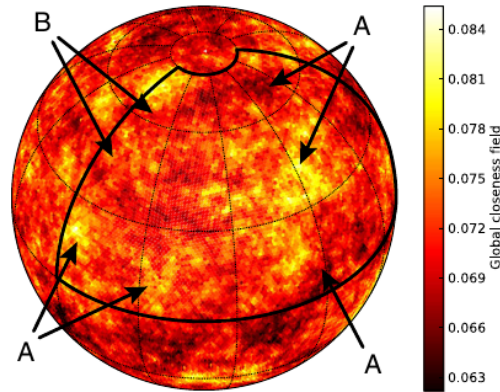
Z-score of area-weighted degree (original data)  
(w.r.t. the distribution from randomised data)



Area-weighted degree (randomised data)

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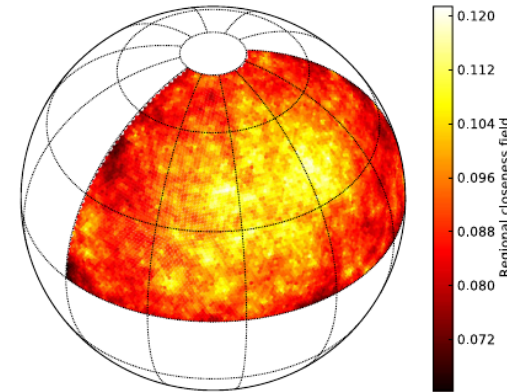
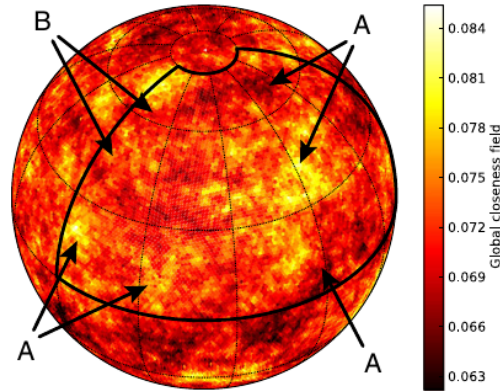
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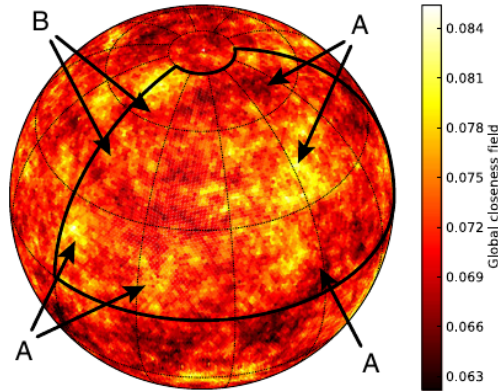
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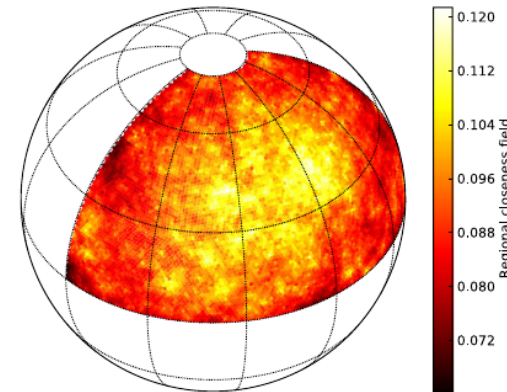
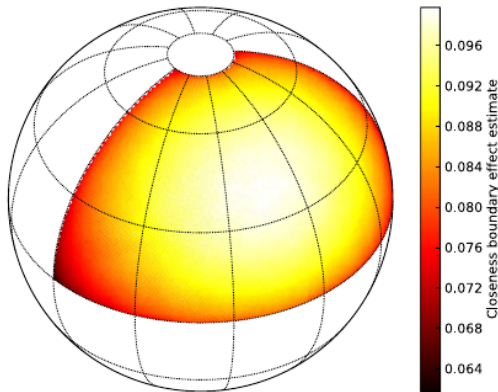


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Closeness centrality  
(random model  
preserving link length  
distribution)



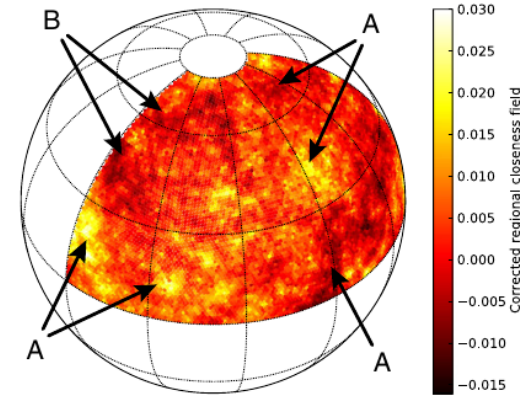
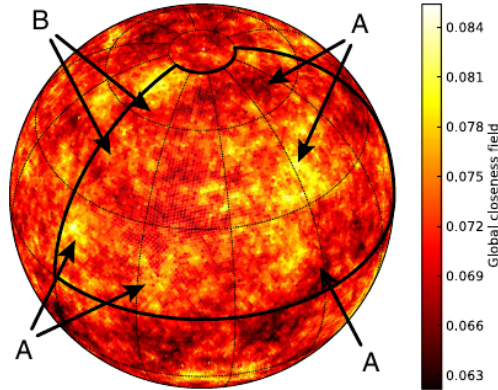
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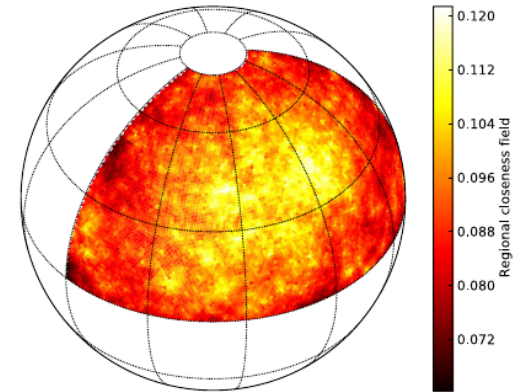
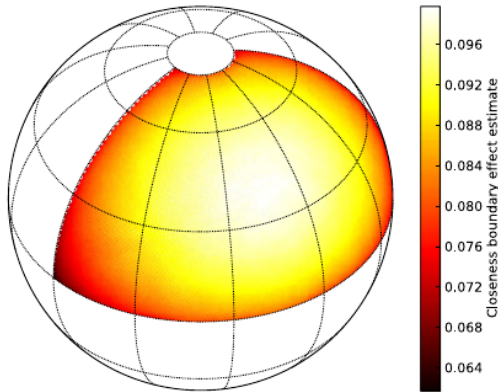
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Closeness centrality (boxed data, corrected)

Closeness centrality (random model preserving link length distribution)

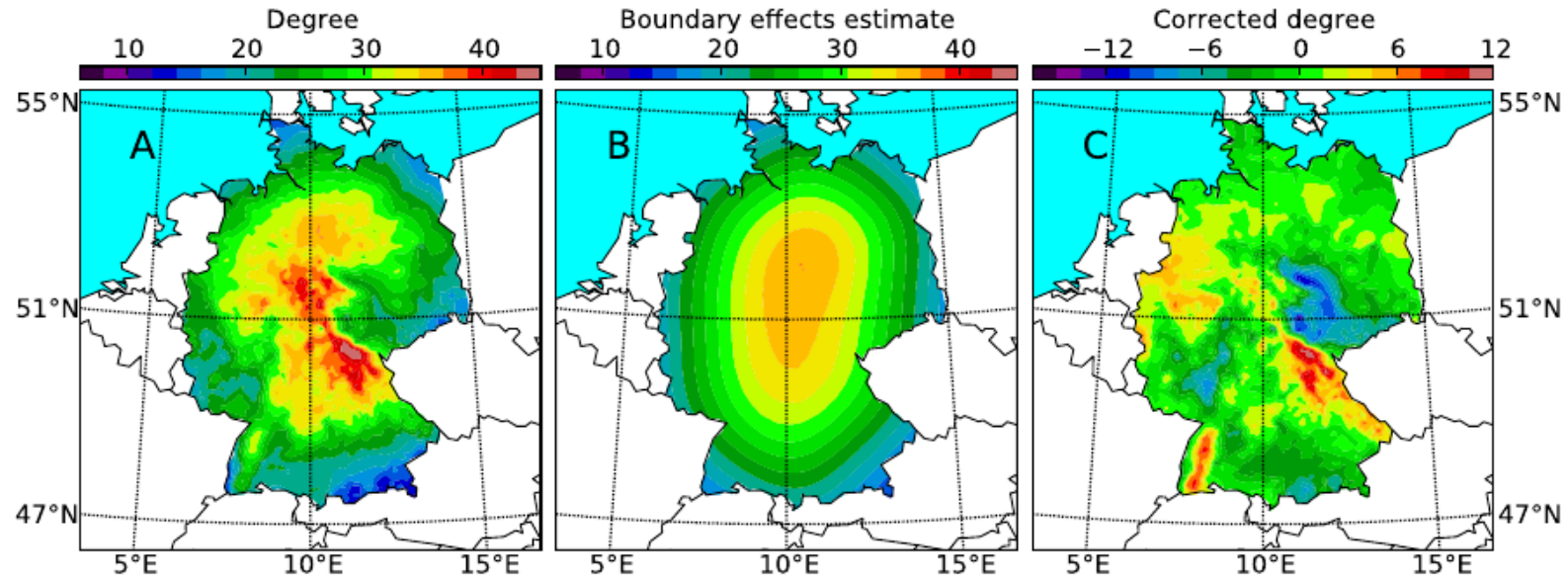


Closeness centrality (boxed data)

## 2. Avoiding potential pitfalls → Boundary effects



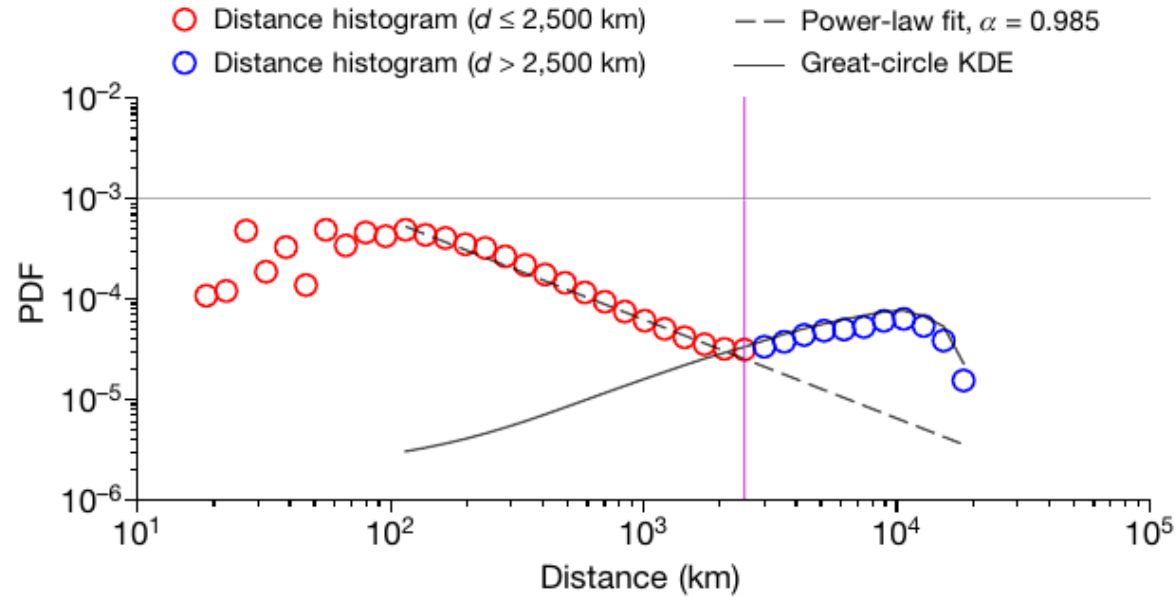
## Daily extreme rainfall, 2000 weather stations, Event Synchronisation, 50 % link density



## 2. Avoiding potential pitfalls → Boundary effects



## Daily extreme rainfall, 0.25 deg lat-lon grid, Event Synchronisation, 0.5 % significance

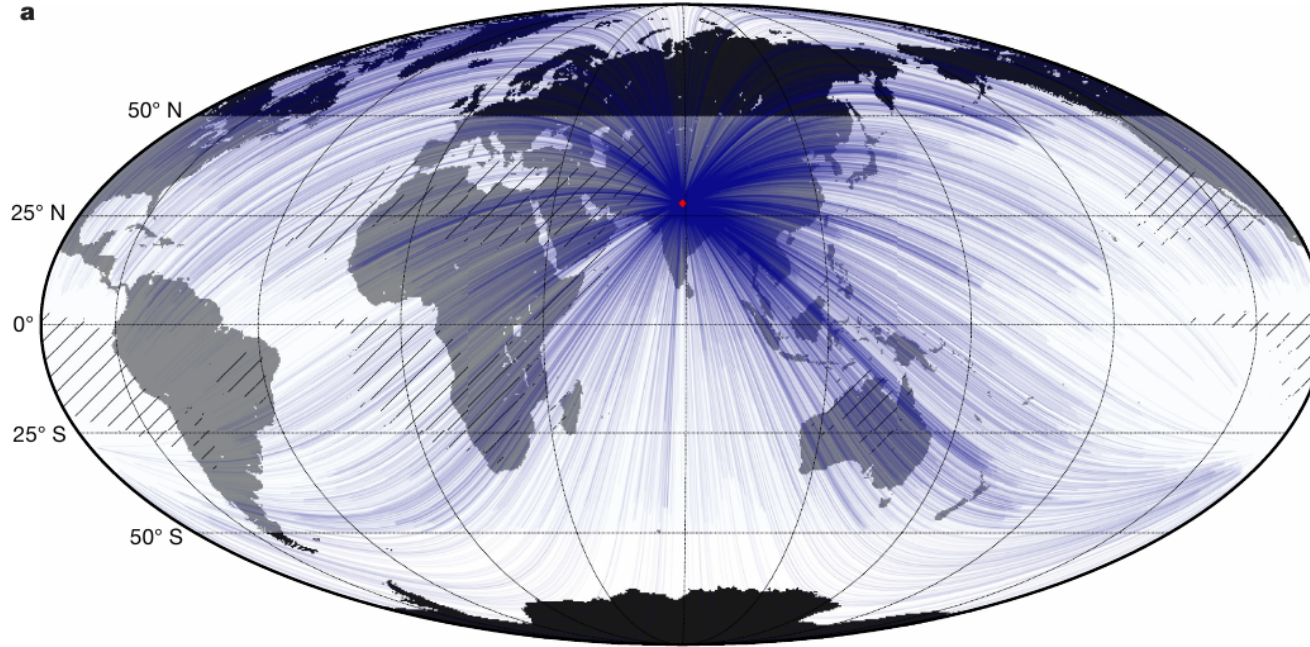


## 2. Avoiding potential pitfalls → Spatial embedding



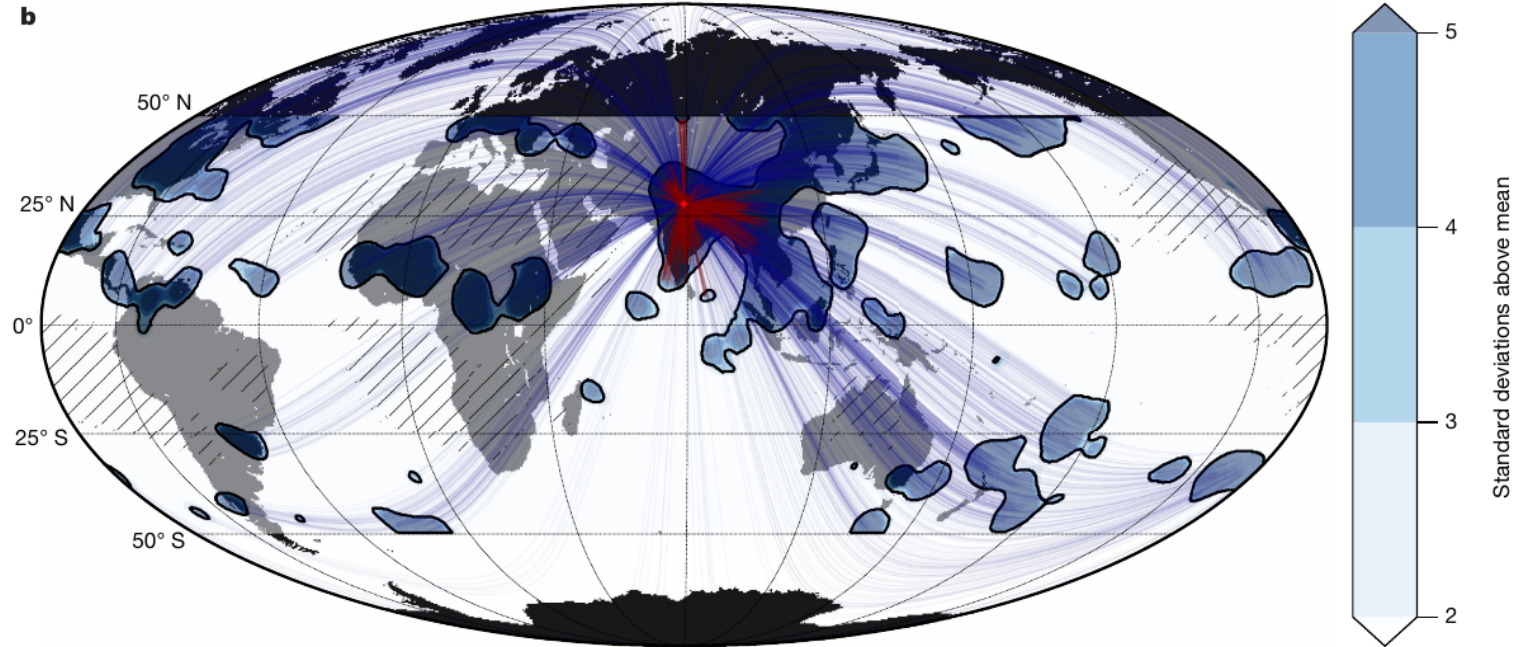


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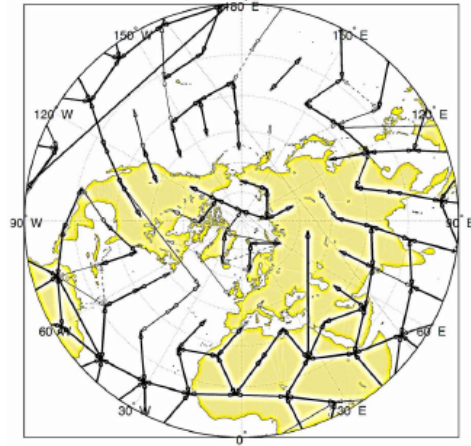
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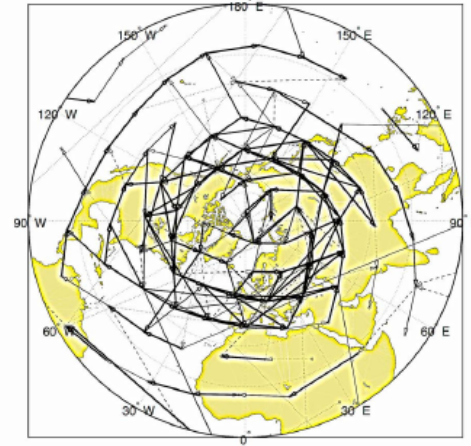
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## Construction of the network ...

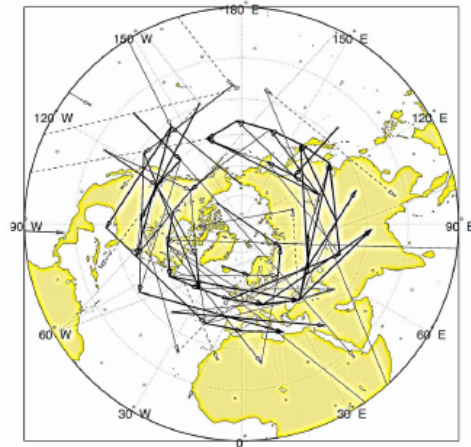
- Z500 geopotential height in the northern hemisphere from 1948 – 2011
  - 200 locations / time series
- PC algorithm (Spirtes & Glymour, 1991) to construct the graphical model
  - $S = 15$  time delays
  - Fischer's Z-test at 10 % confidence
- Data transformed to equidistant grid on the sphere using the Fekete algorithm (Bendito et al., 2007)
- Directed climate network of  $15 \times 200 = 3000$  nodes



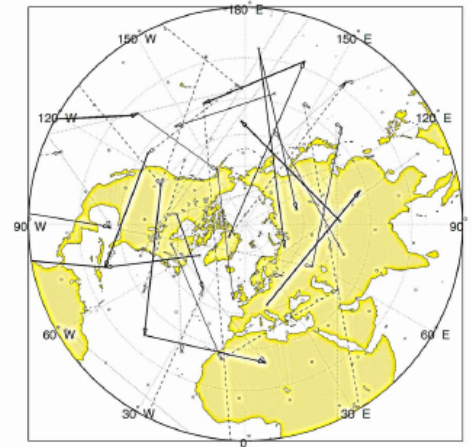
(a) 0-day-delay



(b) 1-day-delay



(c) 2-day-delay



(d) 3-day-delay

### 3. Networks from Graphical Models → Ebert-Uphoff & Deng, 2012

## Construction of the network ...

- Global weekly surface pressure at 2.5 deg lat-lon grid from 1948 – 2012
  - 10512 time series, each 3339 points long
- Data dimensionality reduction using PCA with Varimax rotation
  - Top 60 components retained
- Modified PC algorithm (Runge et al., 2012) to construct the network based on graphical model
  - Delay considered = 4 (weeks)
- Quantifying causal effect:
  - Path coefficient: regression coefficient for the link  $X_{t-t}^i \rightarrow X_t^j$



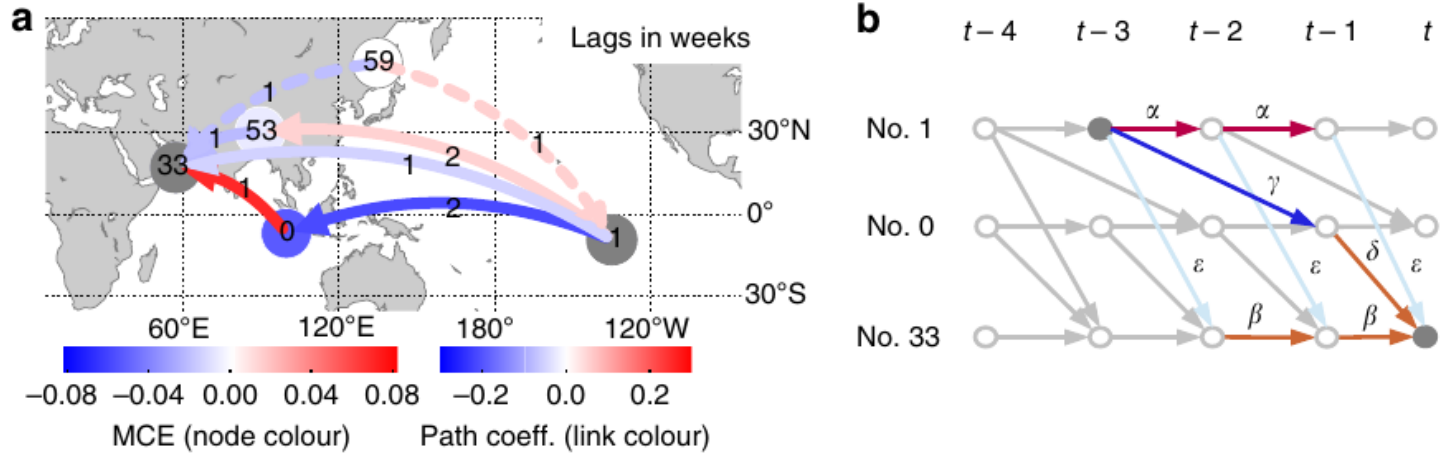




## Quantifying causal effect ...

- Path coefficient:
  - Regression coefficient for the link  $X^i_{t-\tau} \rightarrow X^j_t$
- Total causal effect:
  - Sum over the products of path coefficients along indirect causal paths, i.e., all paths between  $X^i$  and  $X^j$  at lag  $\tau$
- Mediated Causal Effect (MCE):
  - MCE of a node is the sum over products of path coefficients that pass through that node

## MCE and path coefficients of nodes in the Indo-Pacific region



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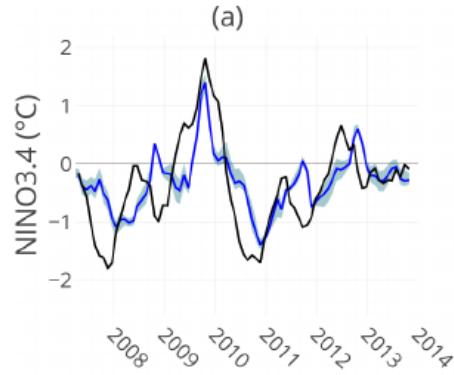
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## Main idea ...

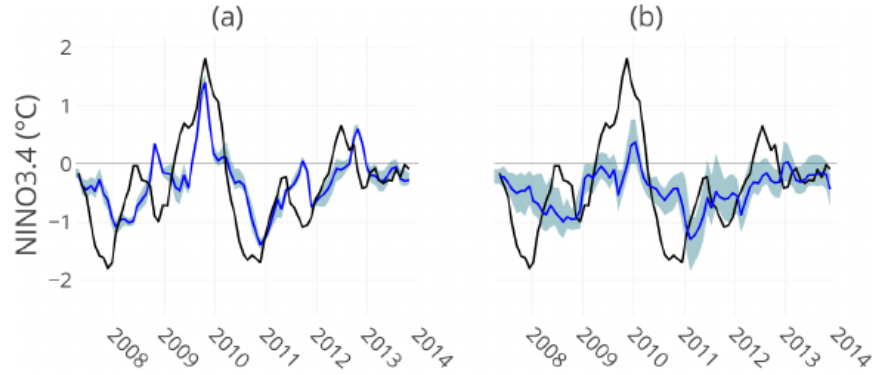
- › Use climate networks + ANNs to forecast the Niño 3.4 index
- ›  $Z_t = Y_t + N_t$ 
  - ›  $Z_t$  := Niño 3.4 index to be predicted
  - ›  $Y_t$  := ARIMA process
  - ›  $N_t$  := residual of the ARIMA fit, predicted with an ANN
- › Simple ANN structure: 3 layers: 2 neurons x 1 neuron x 1 neuron
- › Input features:
  - › Warm water volume (WWV)
  - ›  $C_2$  := fraction of components of size 2
  - › Seasonal cycle
  - › Second principal component of EOF analysis of wind stress
- › Zebiak-Cane model used to test climate network features



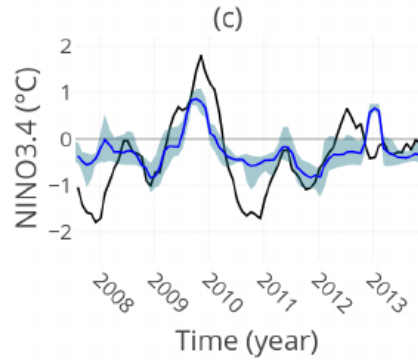
ANN spread, 4-month lead



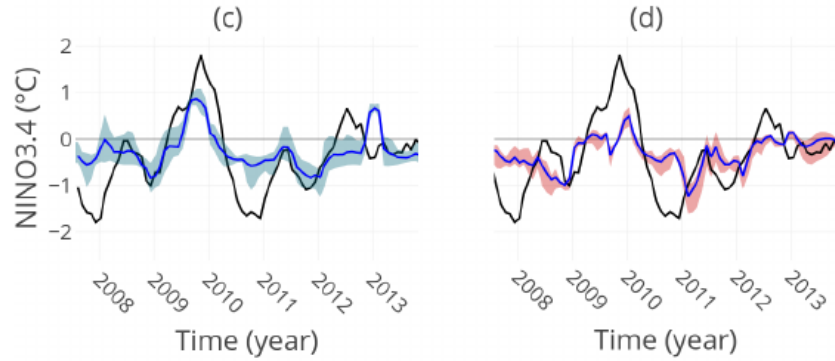
6-month lead, ANN spread



ANN spread, 12-month lead



6-month lead, ARIMA spread



— Ensemble mean — Observation

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