



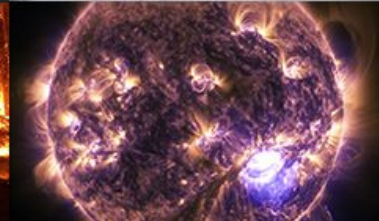
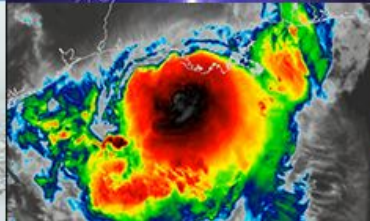
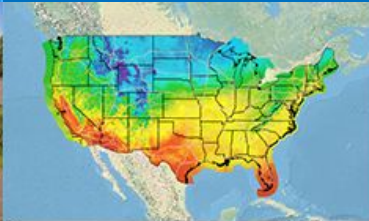
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An Overview of Updates for Global Ensemble Forecast System (GEFSv13) and Seasonal Forecasting System (SFSv1)

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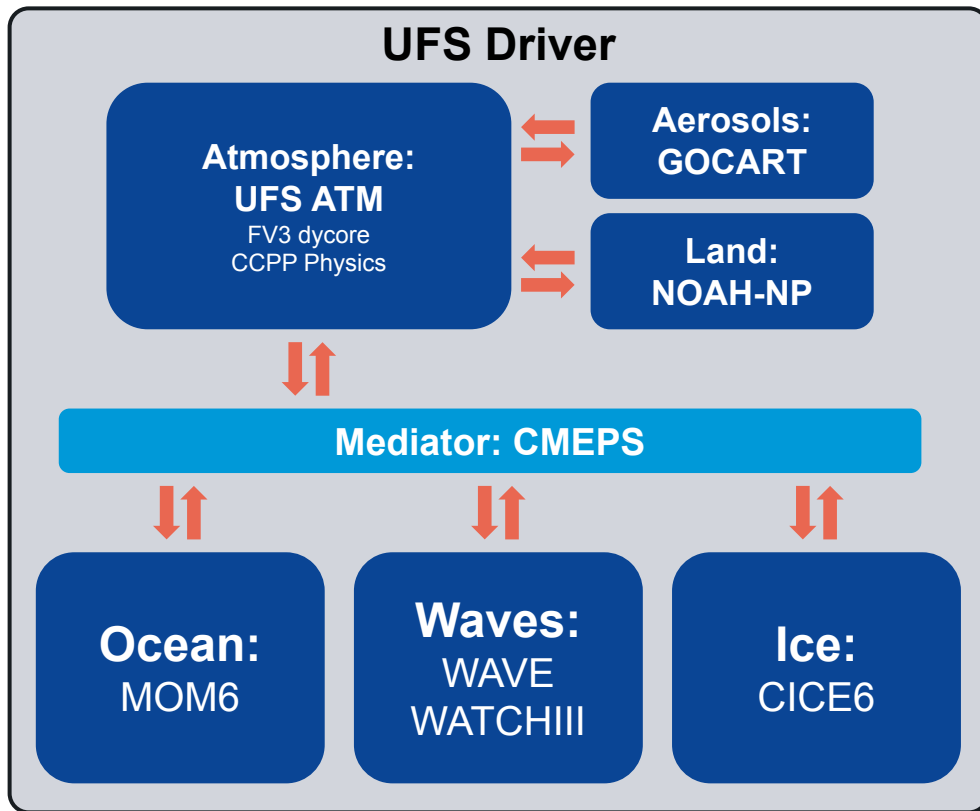
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Unified Forecast System (UFS)



- **Model infrastructure:**
 - ESMF, NUOPC, CMEPS
- **Atmosphere model:**
 - FV3 dycore, CCPP Physics
- **Ocean model:**
 - MOM6
- **Ice model:**
 - CICE6
- **Wave model:**
 - WW3
- **Aerosol model:**
 - GOCART
- **Land model:**
 - Noah-MP



GEFSv13





GEFSv12

GEFSv13

Atmosphere

C384L64 (~25km), FV3

C384L127, FV3

Land

NOAH-LSM

NOAH-MP

Aerosol

1-way coupling with GOCART,
1 member

**all-way coupling with GOCART,
all members**

Waves

1-way coupling to WAVEWATCH III

**all-way coupling with WAVEWATCH III
(0.25° regular lat/lon grid)**

Ocean

None

**all-way coupling with MOM6
(0.25° tripole grid, 75 layers)**

Sea Ice

None

**all-way coupling with CICE6
(0.25° tripole grid, 5 ice categories, 7
layers)**



Forecast Perturbations: Ocean/Sea Ice Forecast

FV3:

- SPPT: (stochastically perturbed physics tendencies – Palmer et al. 2009) - Designed to represent the structural uncertainty of parameterized physics.
- SKEB: (stochastic KE backscatter - Palmer et al. 2009)
- CA: (Cellular Automata) - Bengtsson, L et al. 2013

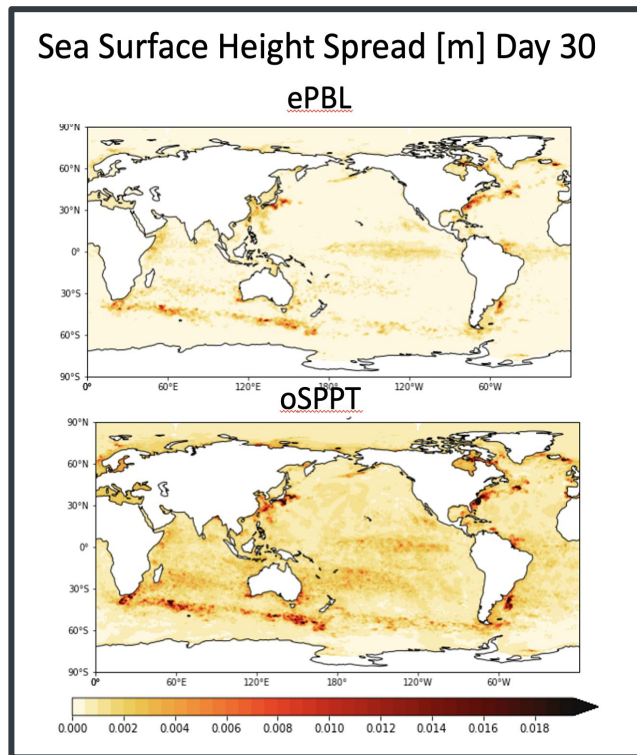
MOM6:

Following Juricke et al. 2017

- oSPPT: perturbed temperature, salinity and layer thickness tendencies from vertical parameterizations
- ePBL: perturbed KE generation and dissipation rates in energetic PBL parameterization.

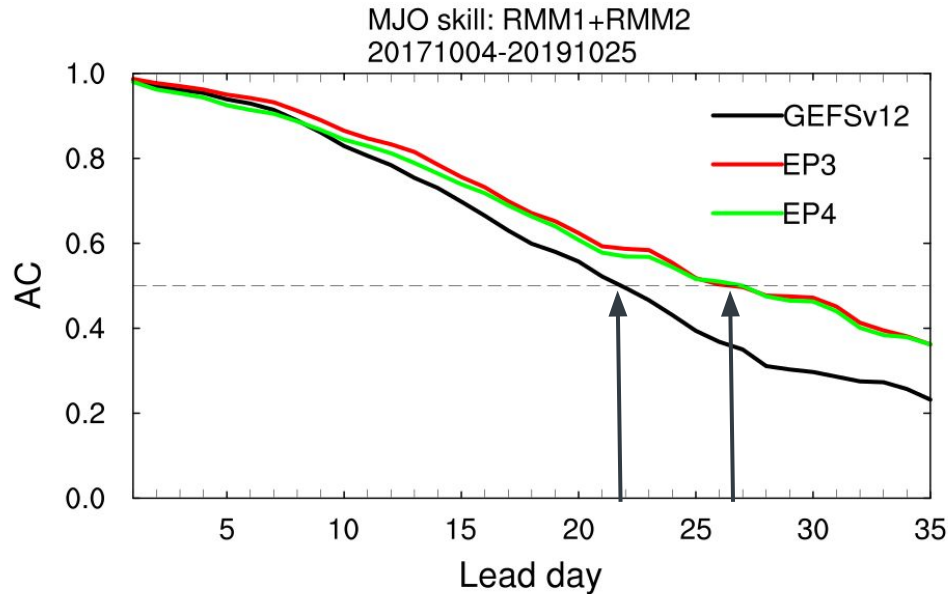
LAND, AEROSOLS CICE6, WAVEWATCH III:

- No perturbations
- Forced problem



POCs for Ocean Perturbations work: Philip Peignon (PSL)

MJO Skill in GEFSv13



- Ensemble Prototypes (EP) 3 and 4 both have higher MJO skill (RMM1+RMM2) than GEFSv12 for longer lead times (extend skill for 4-5 days).

Courtesy: Eric Sinsky



EP4 vs GEFSv12 Rerecast Scorecard: Bias (2017-2019)

- Mid-level temperature and heights are generally better in our latest ensemble prototype (EP4) experiments
- Low-level (1000 hPa) variables in EP4 show degradation compared to GEFSv12

Bias

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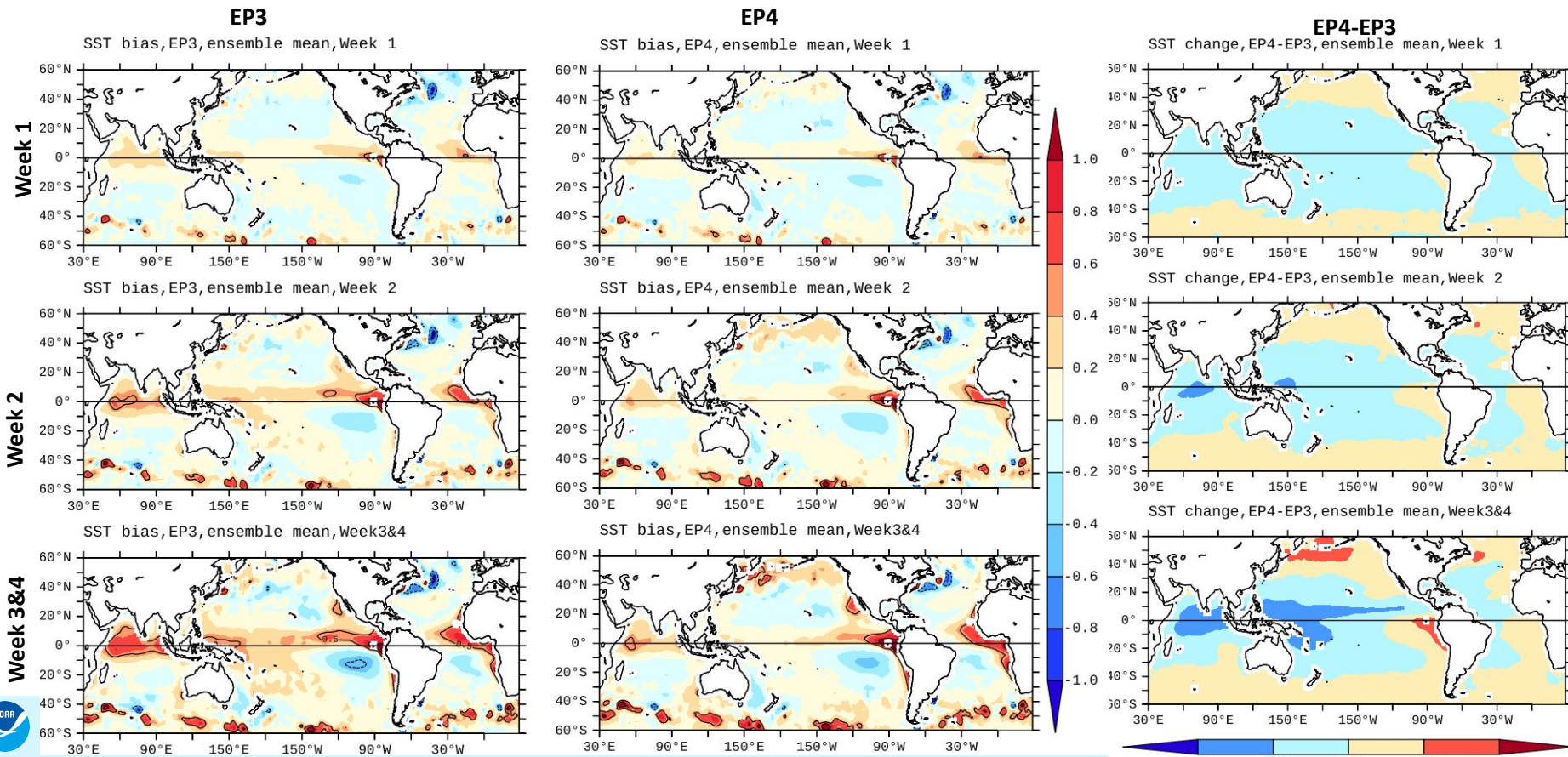
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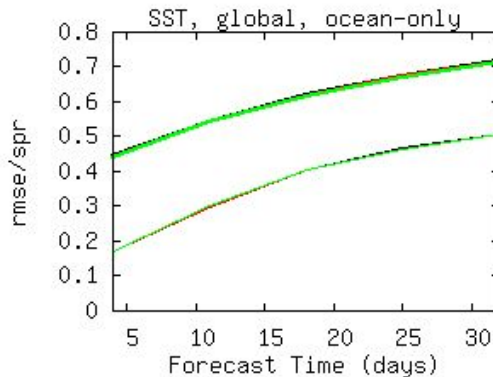
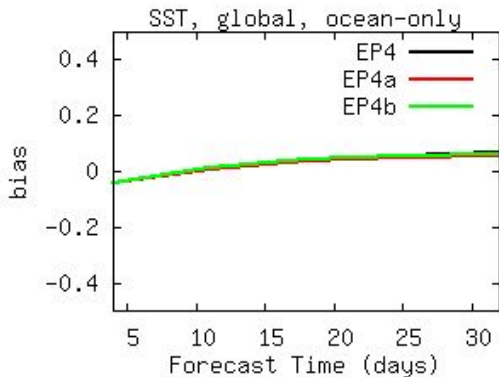
SST biases in Ensemble Mean

- EP4 has cooler tropics than EP3: reduced warm bias
- EP4 has a slightly warmer bias along the coasts compared to EP3: increased warm bias

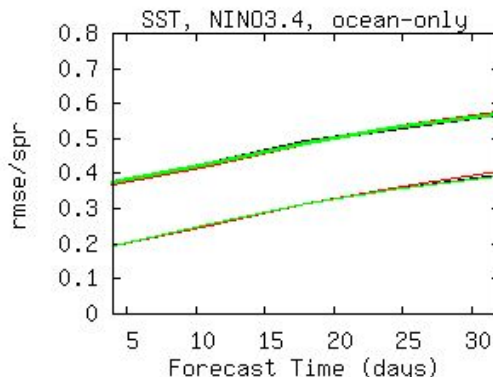
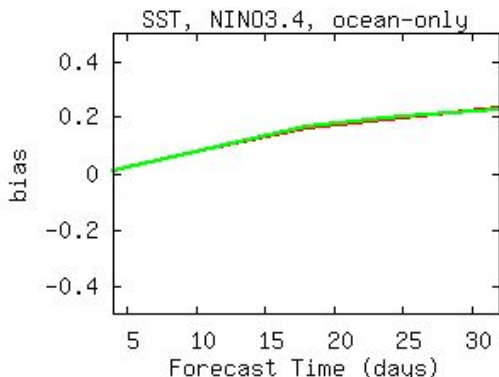


Comparison of SST's bias and RMSE/SPRD for different domains (2 years) (Ref. OSTIA)

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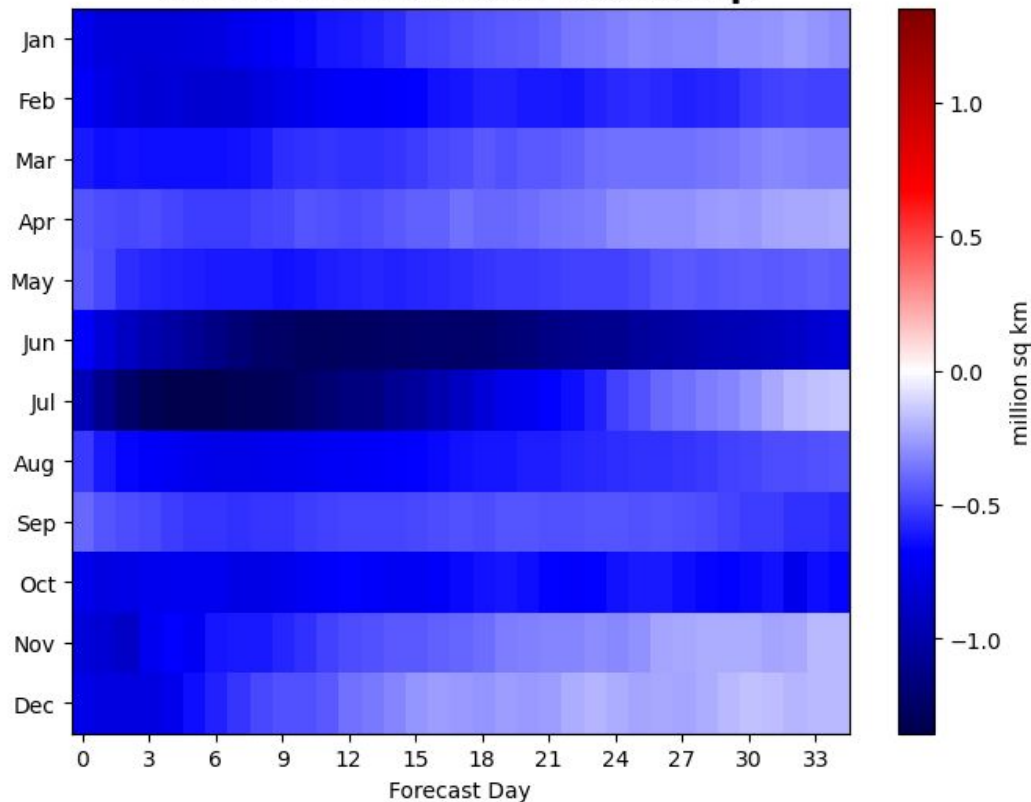
NINO3.4



- For global domain, SST biases are small in EP testing. For NINO3.4, biases increase with lead days.
- SST is underspread

Sea Ice Extent Results: NH

NH: EP4 minus OBS-bootstrap

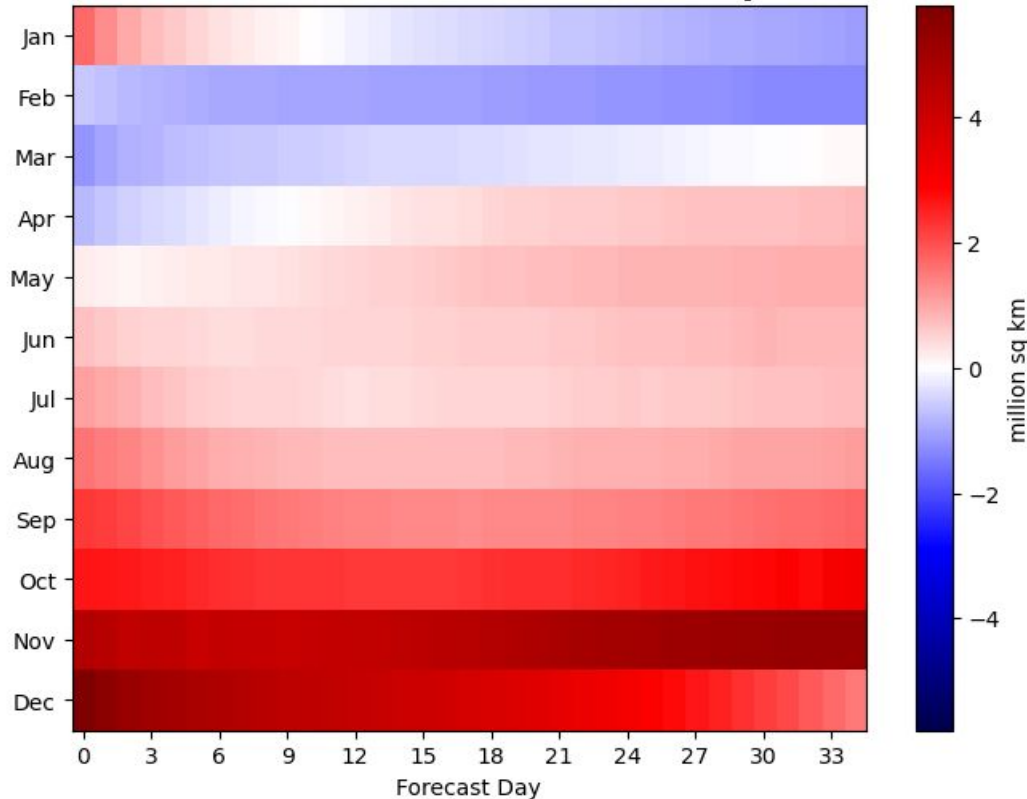


- Negative bias in Sea Ice extent
- Negative bias in initial conditions
- Greater negative biases during summer melt months
 - More rapid melt
- Results dependent on Initial conditions



Sea Ice Extent Results: SH

SH: EP4 minus OBS-bootstrap



- SH sea ice extent biases are larger than NH biases.
- SH sea ice extent is mostly greater than observations except during melt season period
- Issues capturing the ice melt in SH Spring
- New sea ice initial conditions greatly aid in sea ice forecast in SH

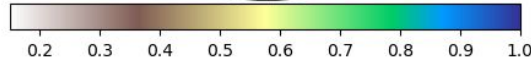
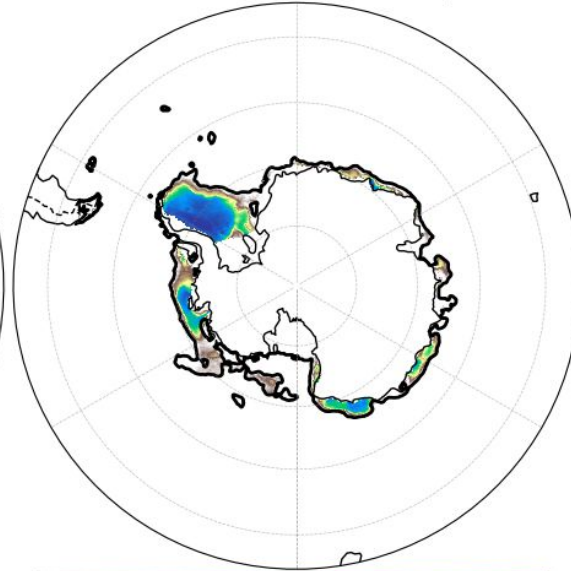
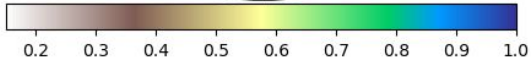
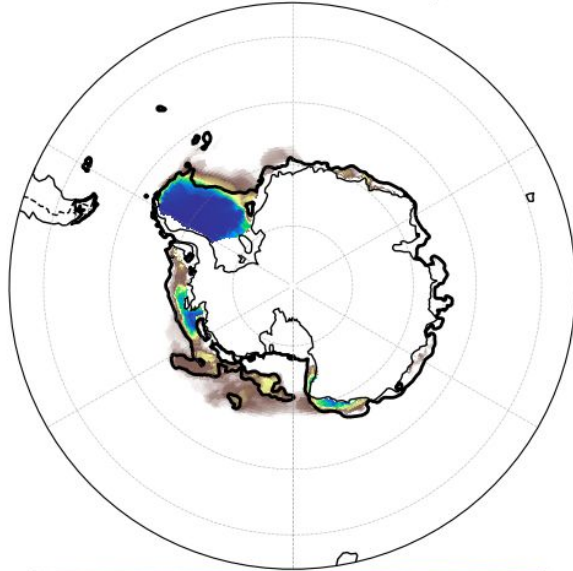




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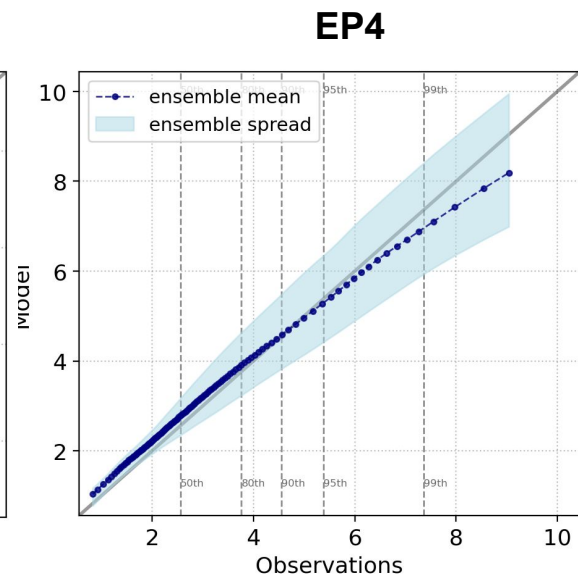
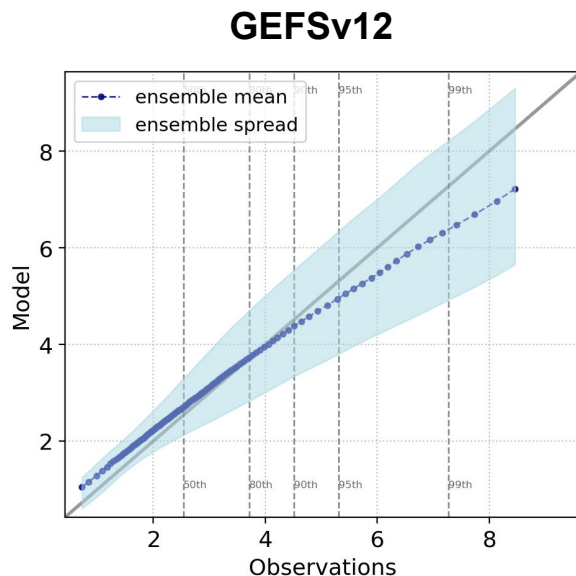
EP5d for Winter: Forecast Day 0.0

EP5r1 for Winter: Forecast Day 0.0



- Use of replay aid in better initialization for sea ice in southern hemisphere
- Experiment with new initial conditions currently running

Wave Height: QQ plots, Hs(m) Ensemble Mean/ Ensemble Spread Week 1 Forecast



- Under prediction of waves in high events.
- EP4 has similar significant wave height forecasts in waves below the 90th percentile compared to GEFSv12.

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SFSv1

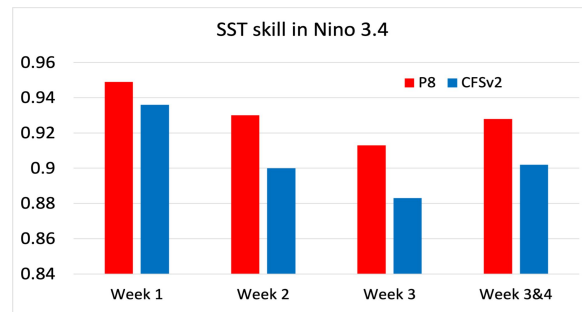
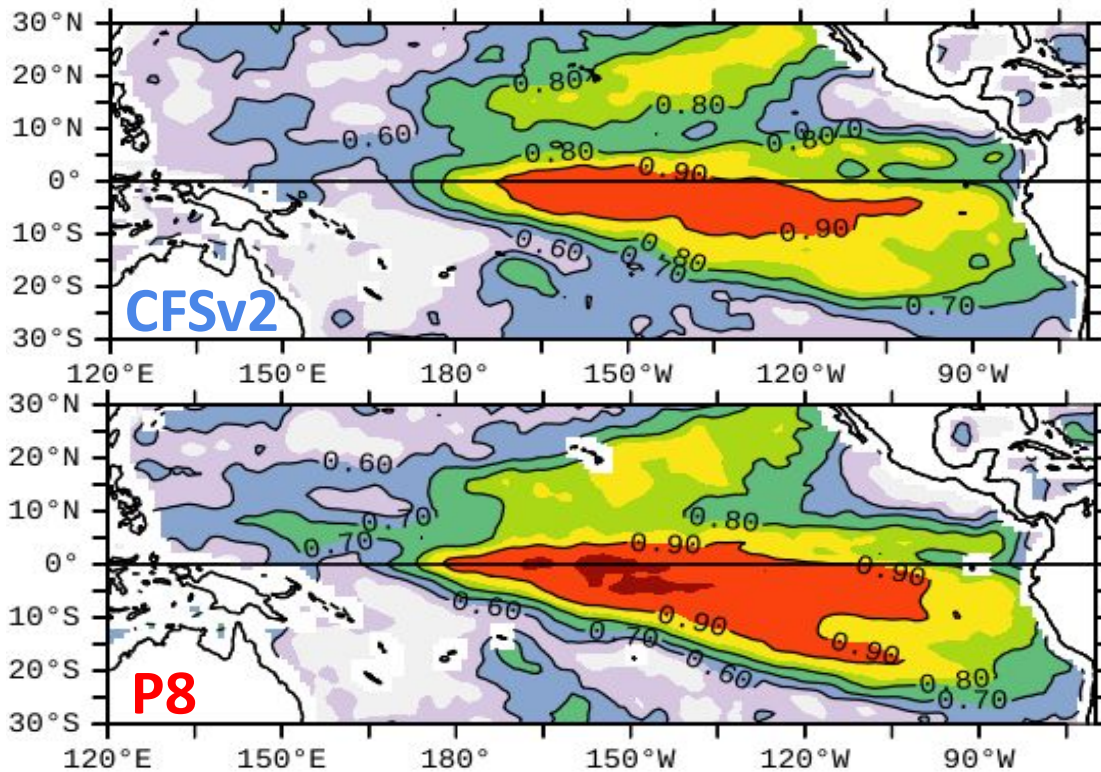


SFS Components

	CFSv2	SFS
Atmosphere	T126/L64, GSM	C192L127 (~50m), FV3
Land	Noah 4 level soil model	NOAH-MP
Aerosol	none	all-way coupling with GOCART (TBD)
Waves	none	all-way coupling with WAVEWATCH III (TBD)
Ocean	2-way coupling with MOM4 (0.25°-0.5°, tripole grid, 40 Levels)	all-way coupling with MOM6 (0.25° tripole grid, 75 layers)
Sea Ice	2-way coupling with SIS1 (0.5° tripole grid, 5 ice thickness categories)	all-way coupling with CICE6 (0.25° tripole grid, 5 ice categories, 7 layers)

Initial SST Skill Compared to CFSv2

SST anomaly correlation, Week 3&4 forecasts



- SST skill in Week 3&4 forecasts improves in P8 in the equatorial Pacific, with prominent improvement in the Niño 3.4 region.

POC: Sulanga Ray (EMC)

Ray et al., (Clim Dyn 2023)



Conclusions: GEFS development

- GEFSv13
 - Atmosphere vertical levels increase to 127, forecast out to 48-days (00Z only)
 - Wave Watch III will be two way coupled in all members
 - Ocean (MOM6) and Sea Ice (CICE6) coupling on a 0.25 degree tripole grid
 - Inclusion in Aerosols (GOCART) in all members
- Forecast perturbations:
 - Atmosphere: SPPT, SKEB and CA
 - Ocean: oSPPT, ePBL
 - Aerosols, Land, Sea Ice, and Waves: none
- Initial examination of waves, ocean, sea ice results is reasonable
- Challenges:
 - Not all atmosphere variables are improved in GEFSv13 compared to GEFSv12
 - Weakly coupled data assimilation in rapid development
 - Ocean and sea ice diagnostics and products are being developed
- SFSv1 development has recently begun



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