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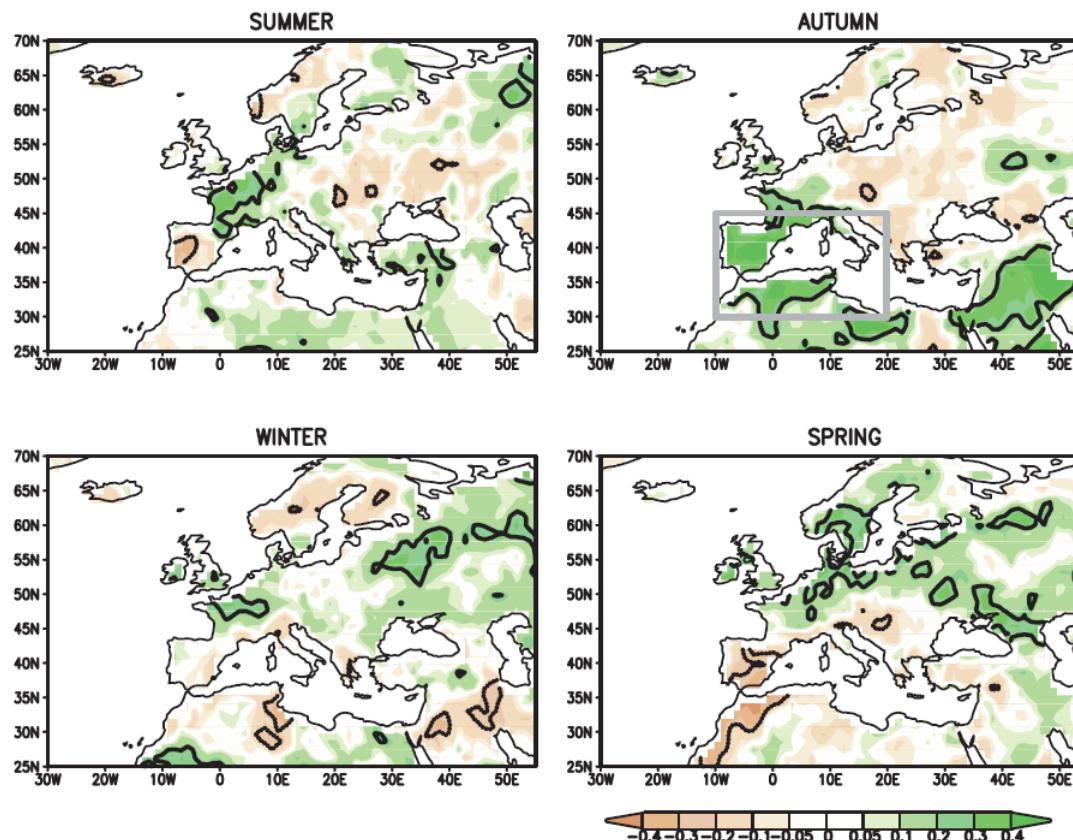
**Role of ENSO at seasonal timescale over the  
Mediterranean region: MEDSCOPE experiments**

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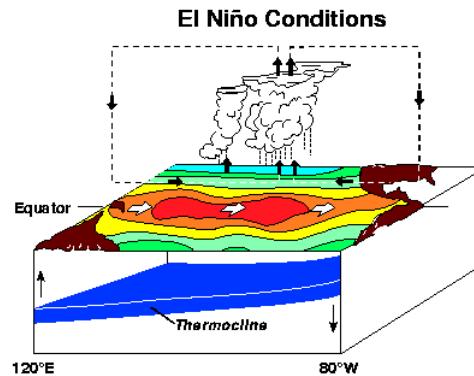
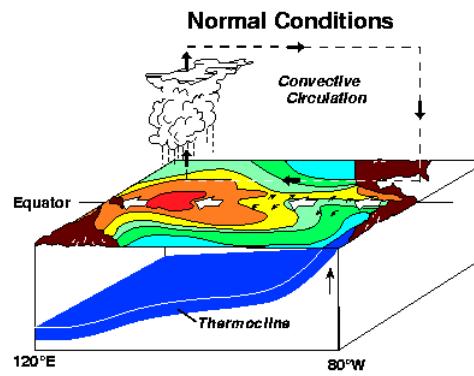
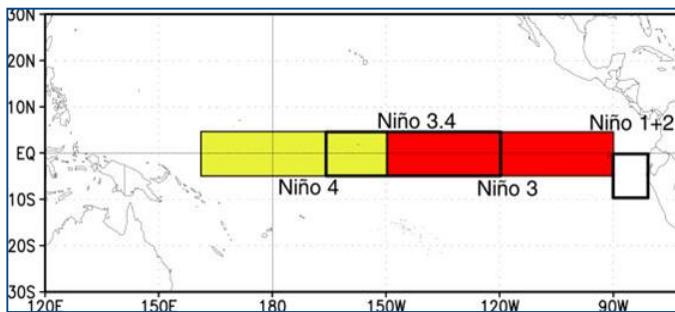


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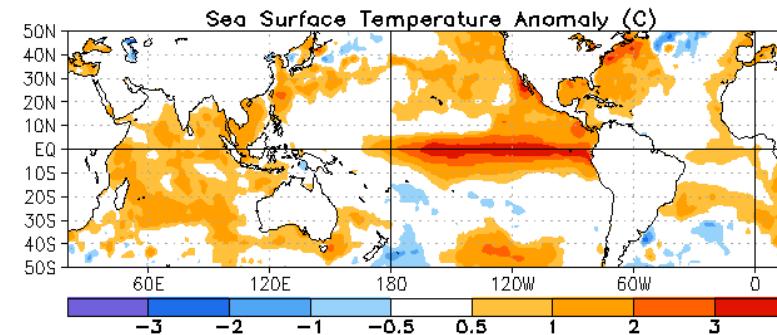
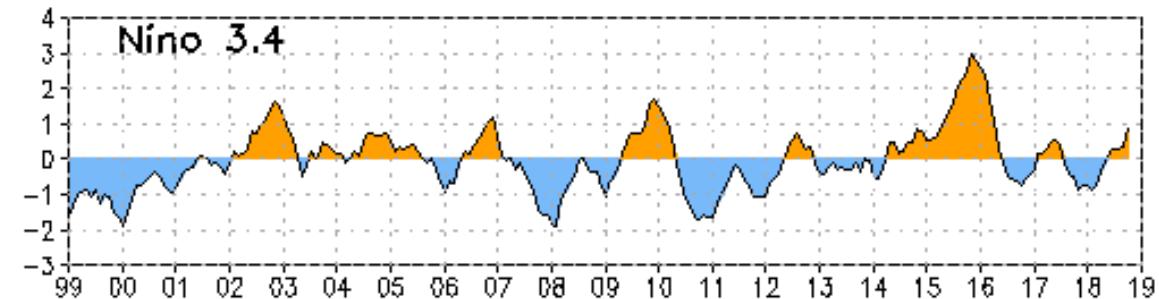
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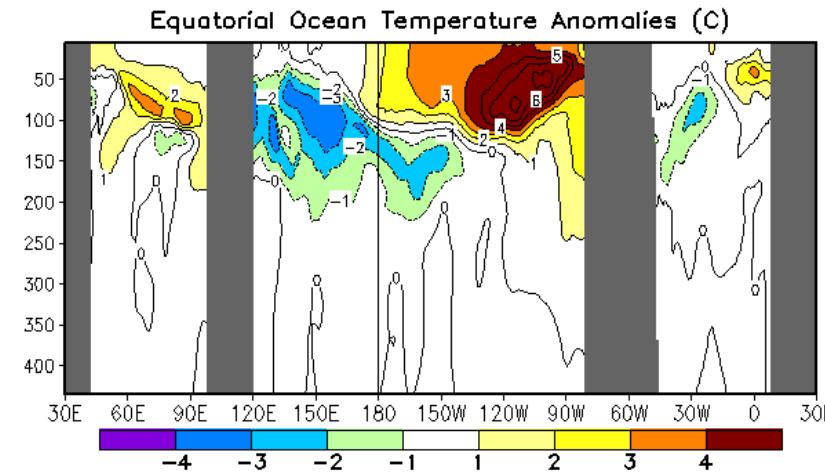
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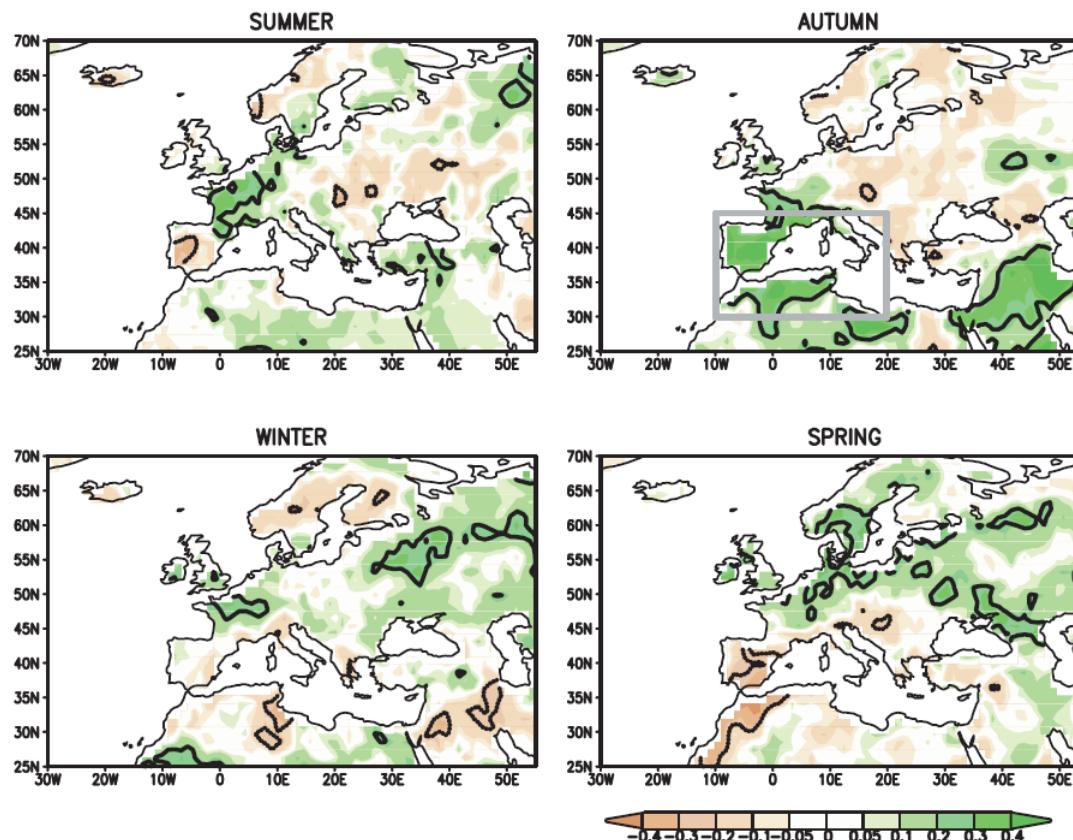


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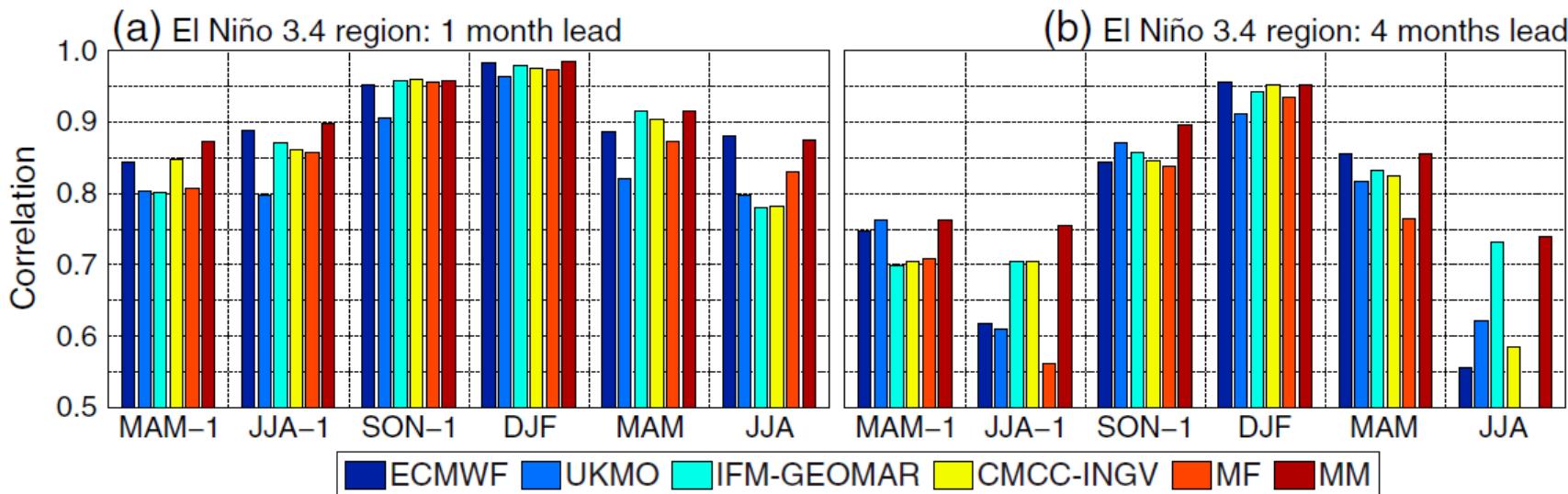
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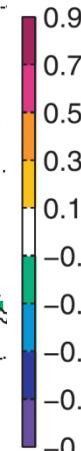
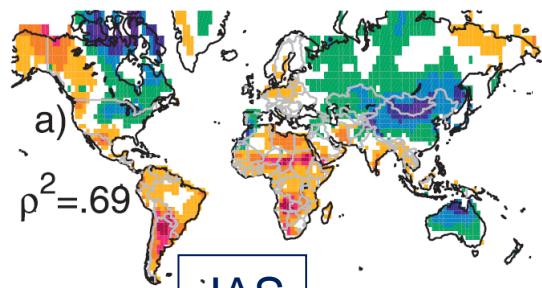


correlation skill of Niño3.4 in ENSEMBLES  
 [Manzanas et al. 2014]

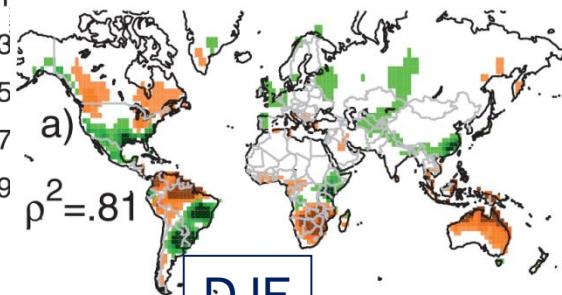
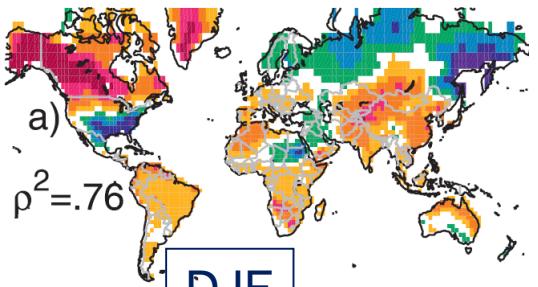
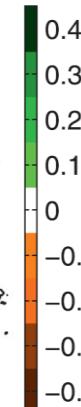
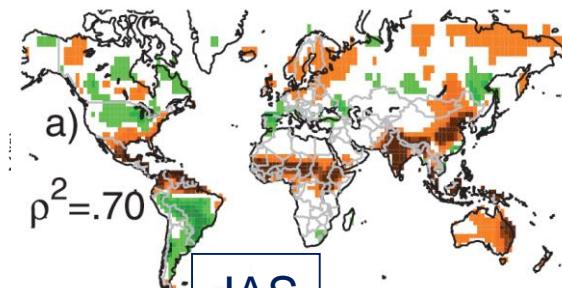
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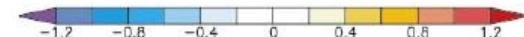
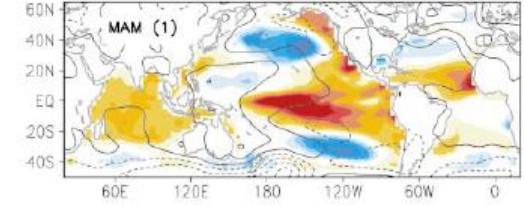
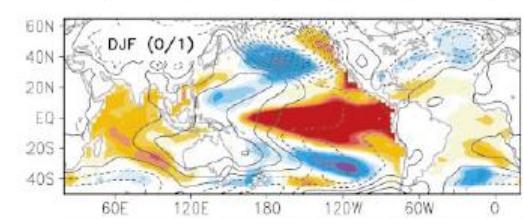
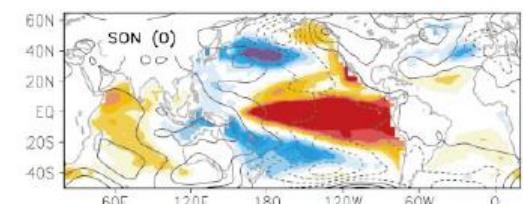
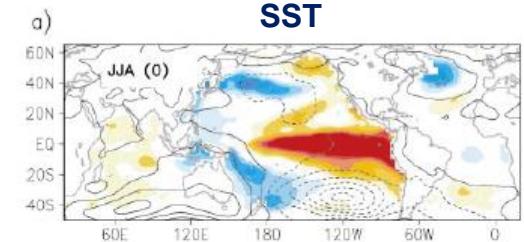
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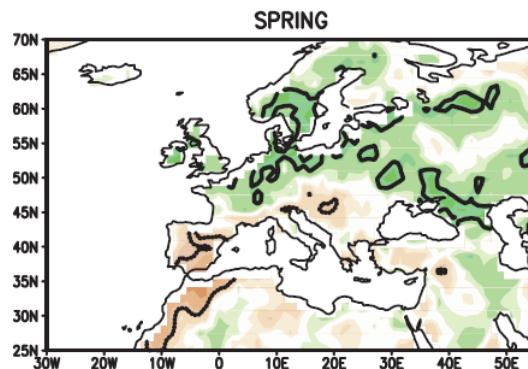
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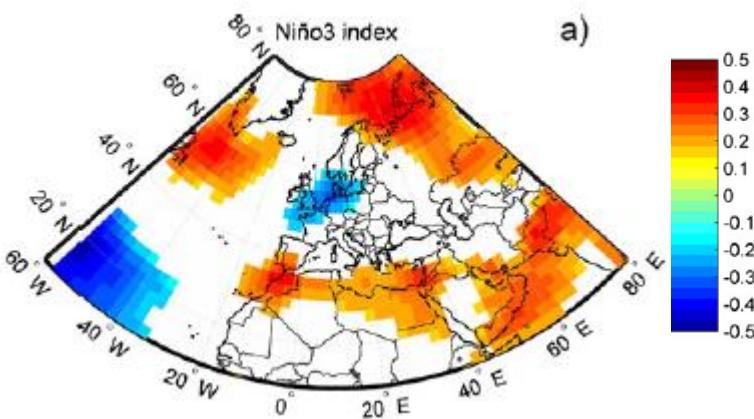
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**ENSO teleconnections:** regressions onto Niño3.4  
 [Yang and DelSole 2012; Alexander et al. 2002]

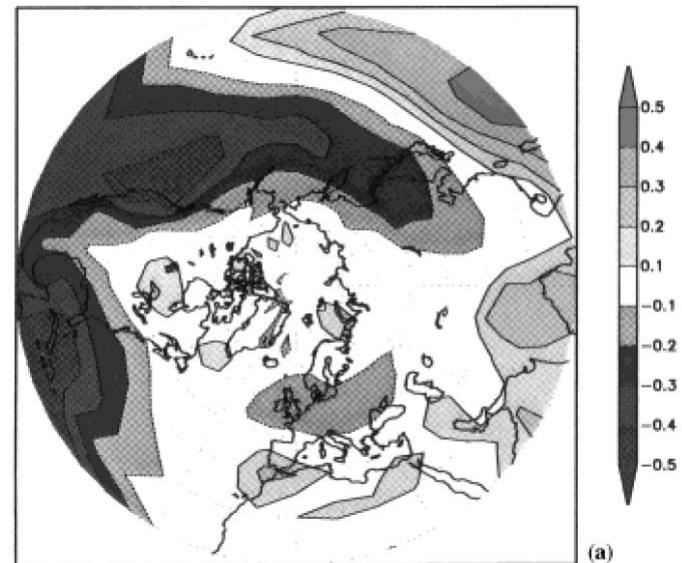


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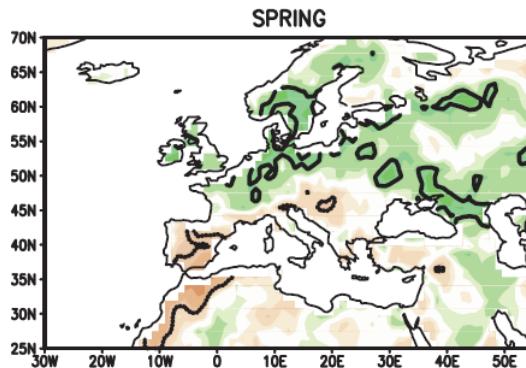


correlation map of MAM-SLP with DJF-Niño3  
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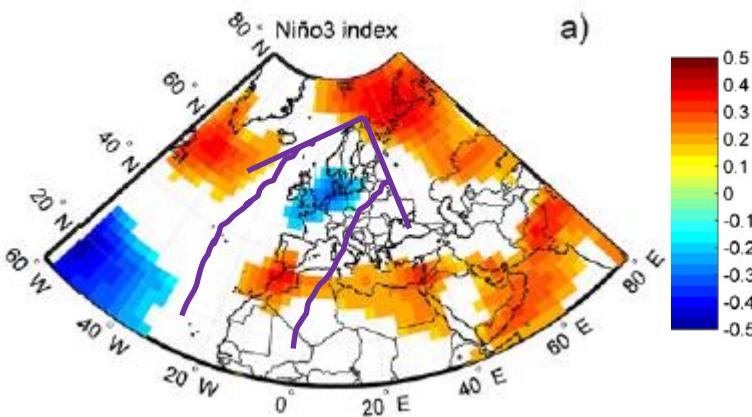
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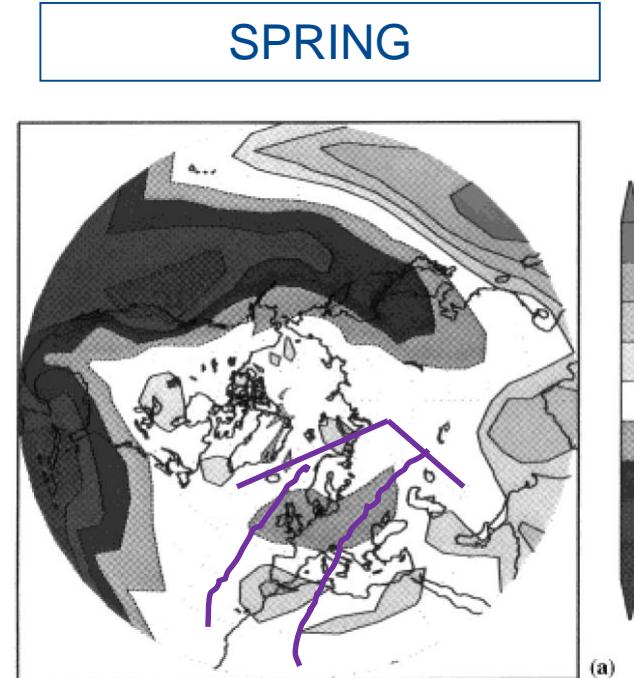
correlation map of SLP with Niño3 (in MAM)  
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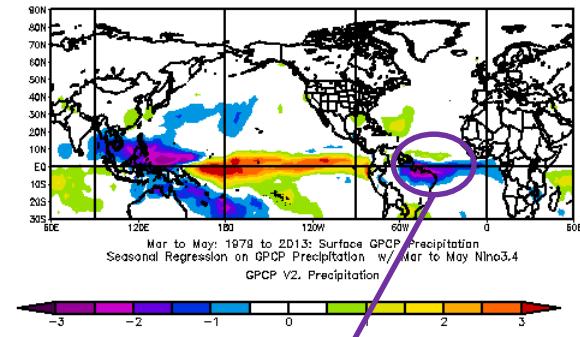
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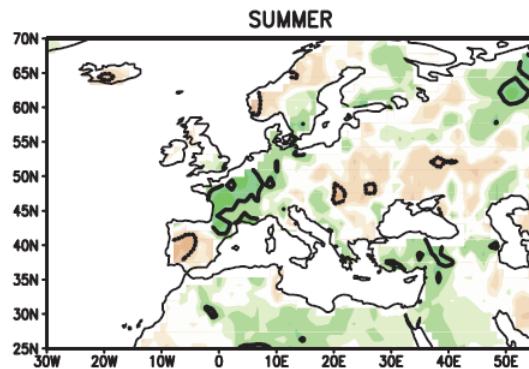
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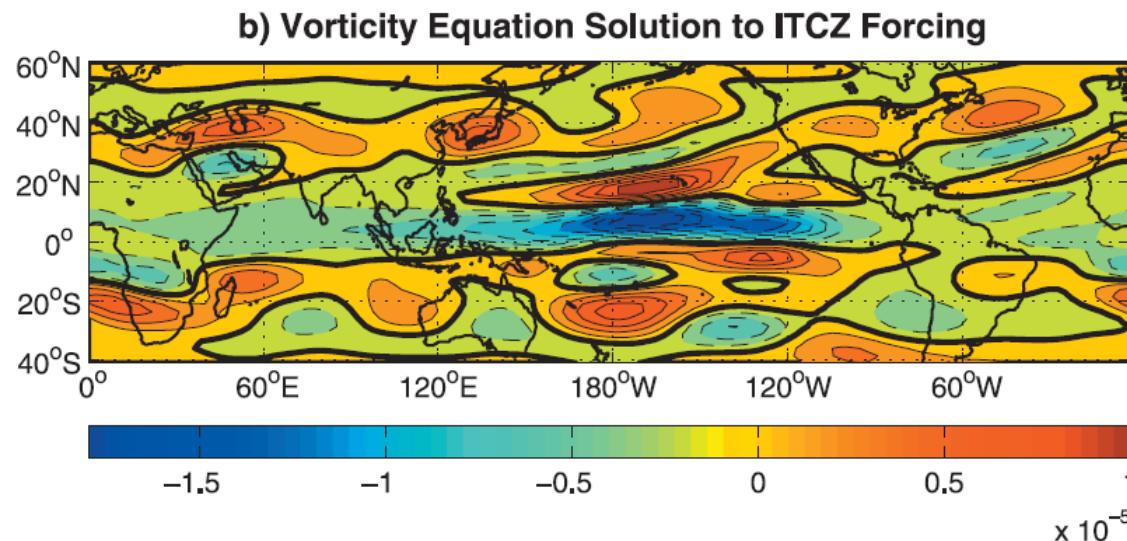


secondary Rossby wave source  
[García-Serrano et al. 2017]

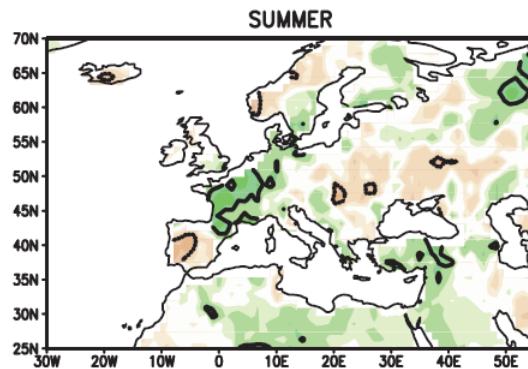


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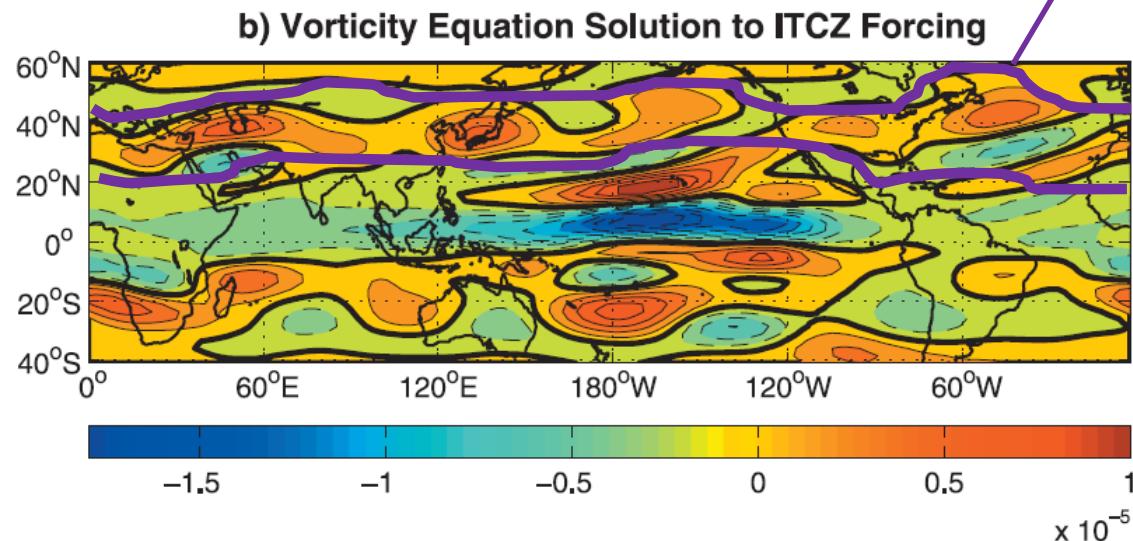
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waveguided, zonally-propagating Rossby wavetrain

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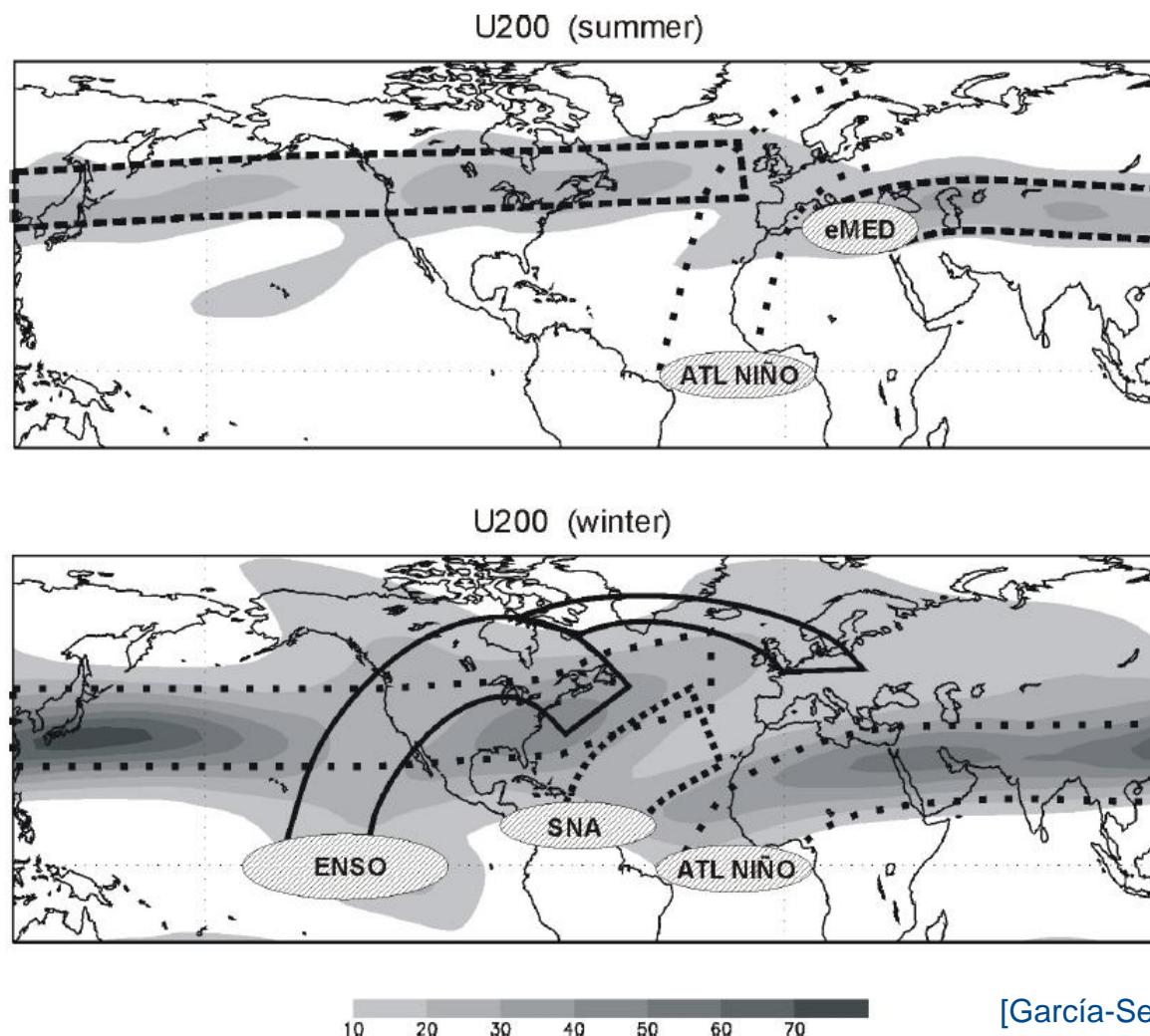
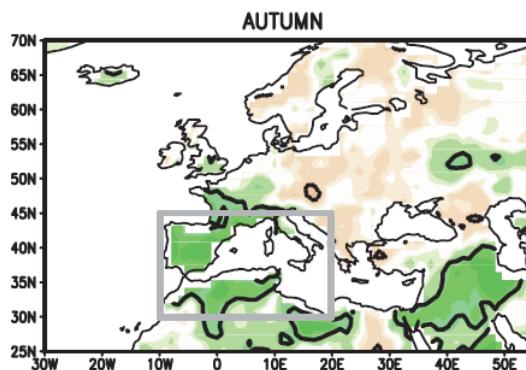
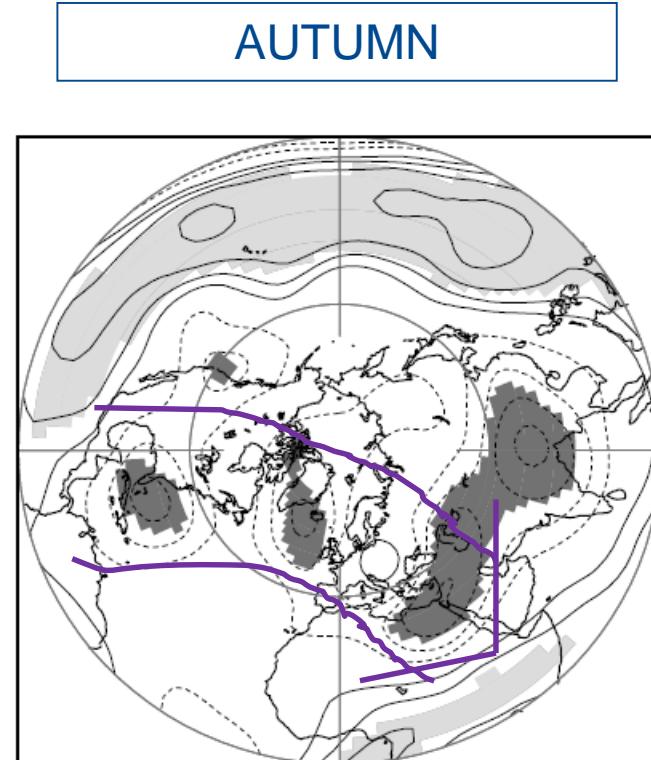
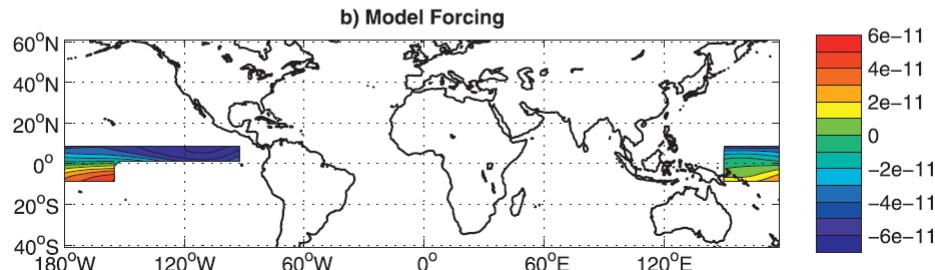
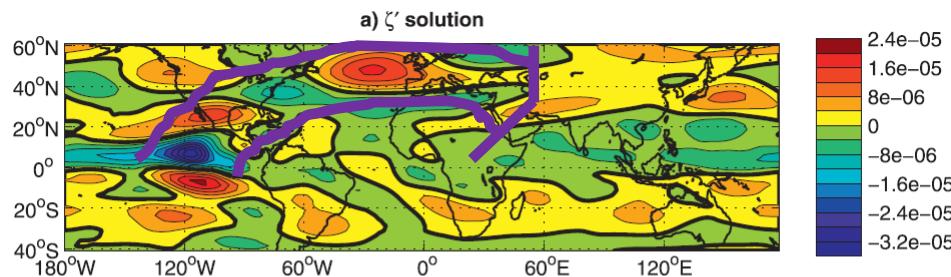


Fig. V.1. Schematic diagram summarizing the Rossby wavetrain propagations associated with the Atlantic Niño (ATL NIÑO), the Subtropical North Atlantic (SNA), the eastern Mediterranean basin (eMED), and the ENSO phenomenon; shading, in background, represents the westerly jetstreams during summer (July) and winter (January) by means of zonal wind climatology at 200hPa (m/s).

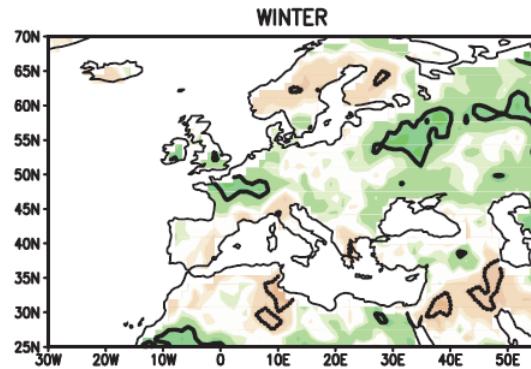


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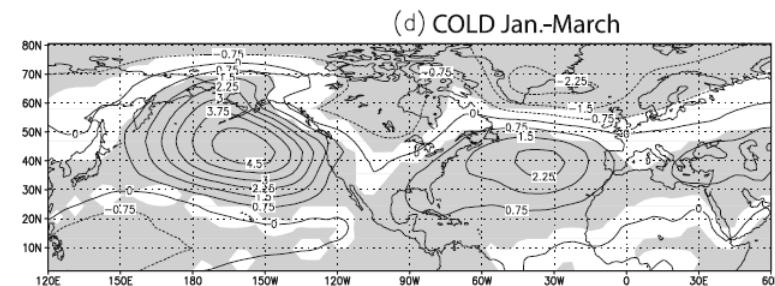
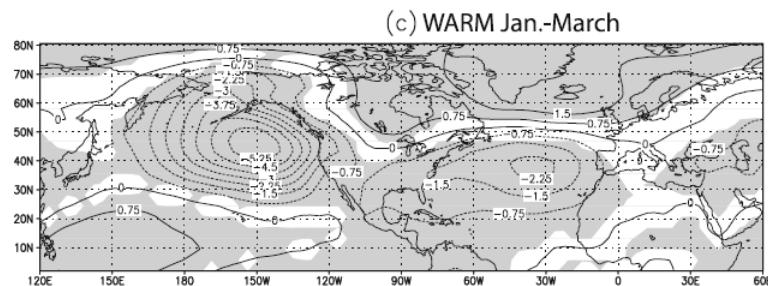
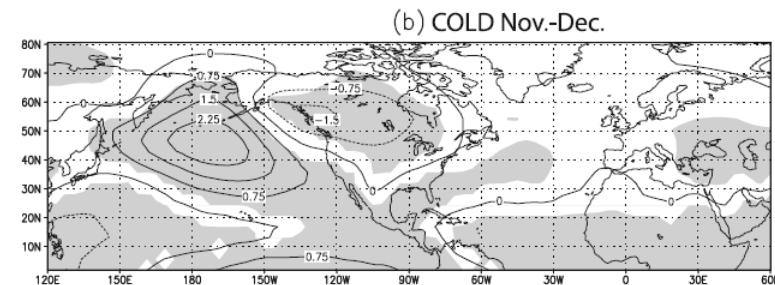
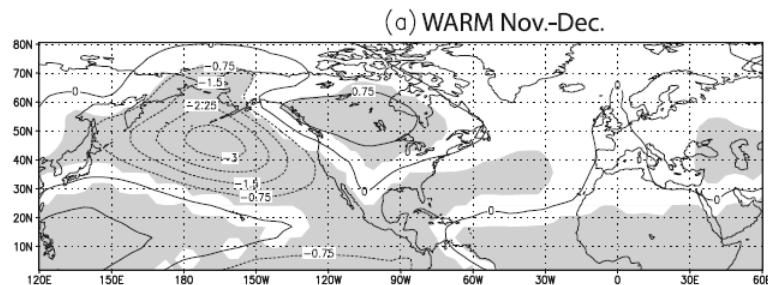
composite of PSI200 linked to El Niño  
 [Mariotti et al. 2005]

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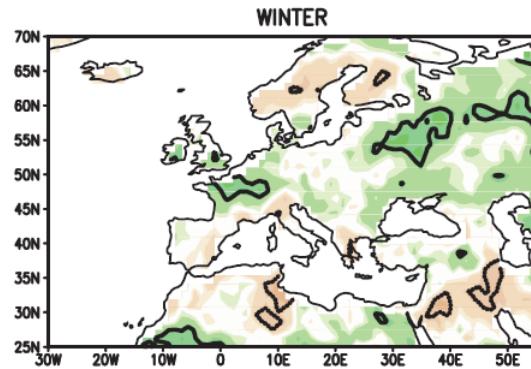


WINTER

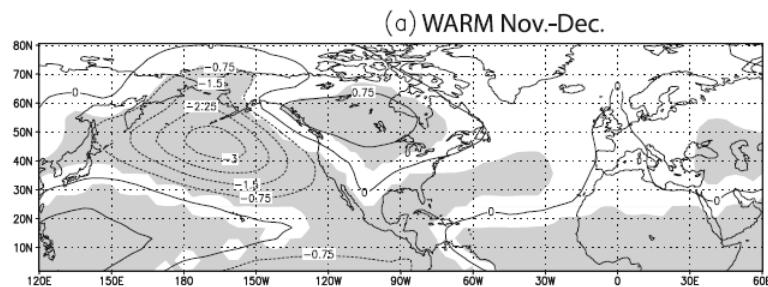
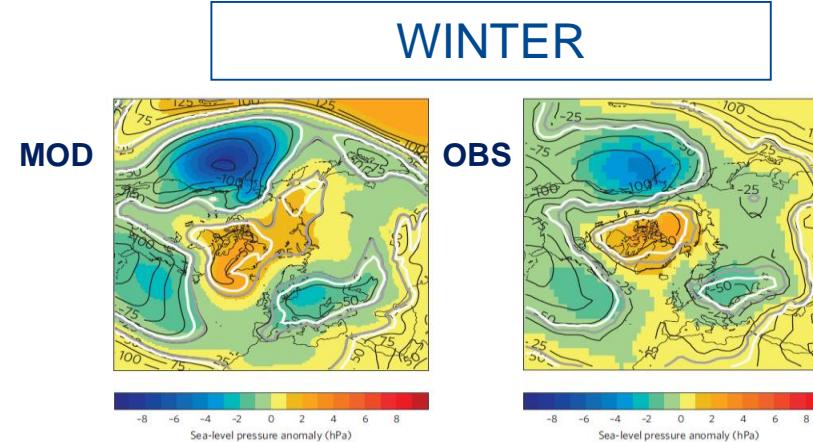
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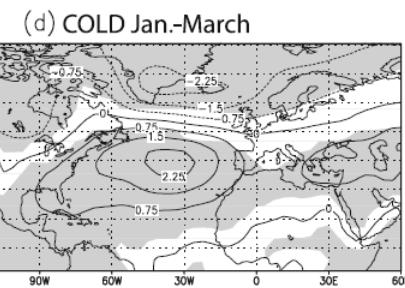
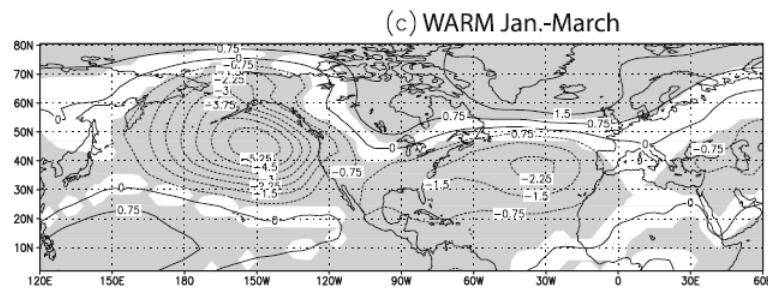
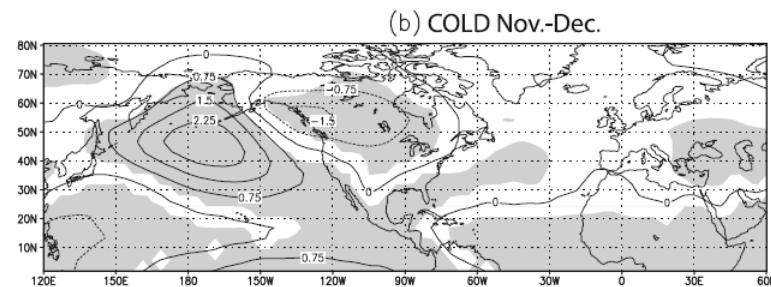
strong intra-seasonal modulation: early-winter (ND) vs mid/late-winter (JFM)  
 [Moron and Gouirand 2003; Gouirand et al. 2007; King et al. 2018; Ayarzagüena et al. 2018]

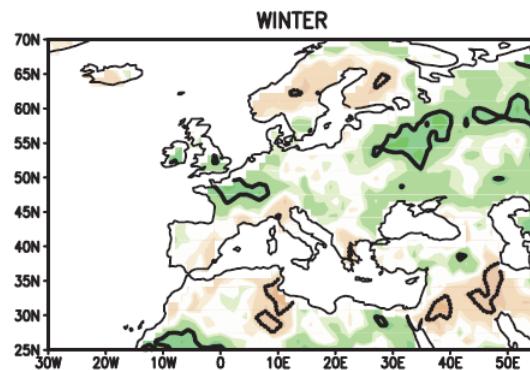


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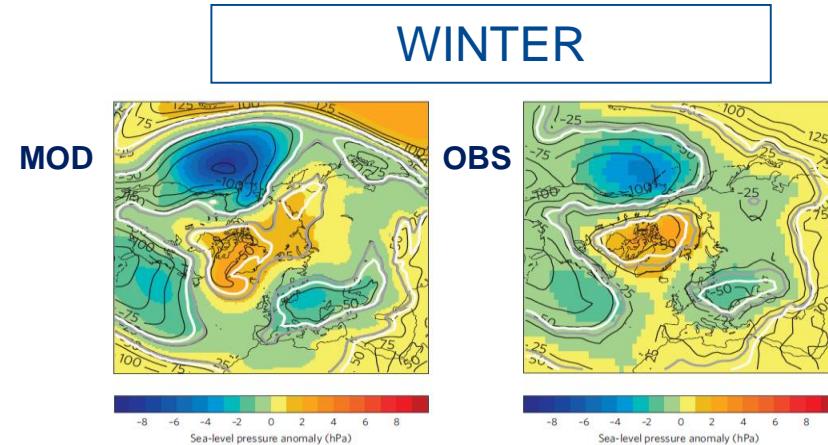


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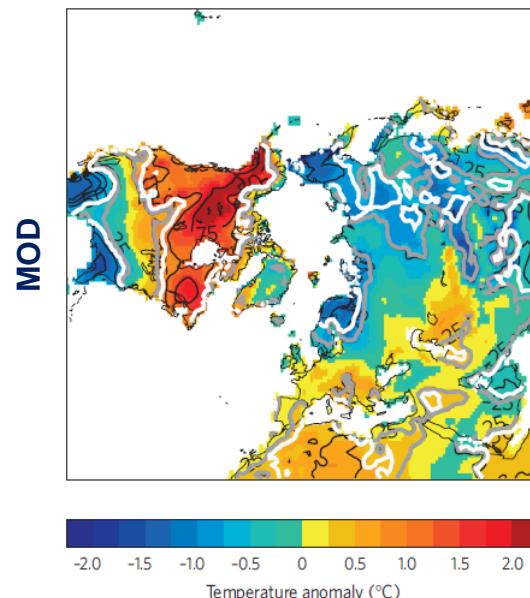




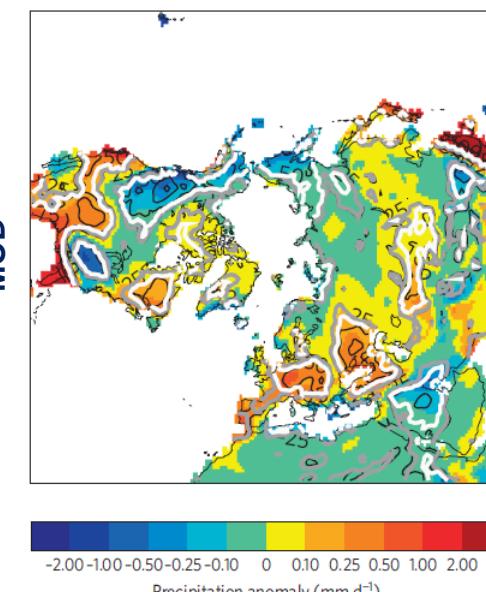
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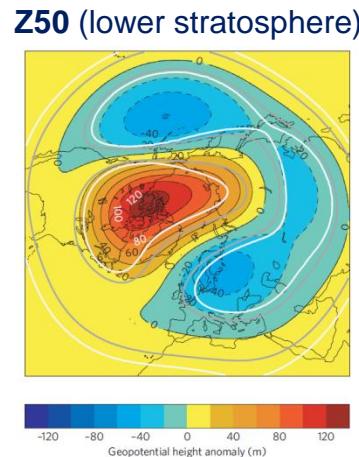


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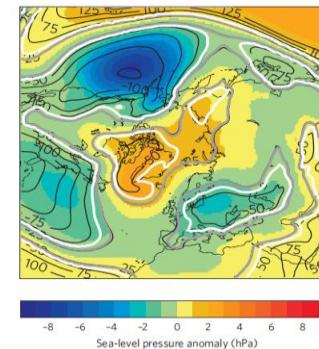
JFM: linear, robust and stationary over the past 300 years [review by Brönnimann 2007]

**weakened polar vortex**  
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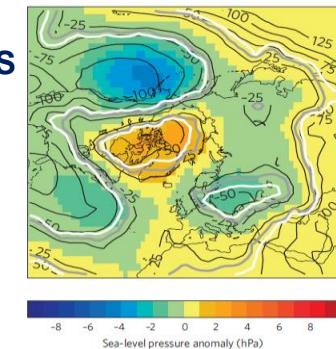


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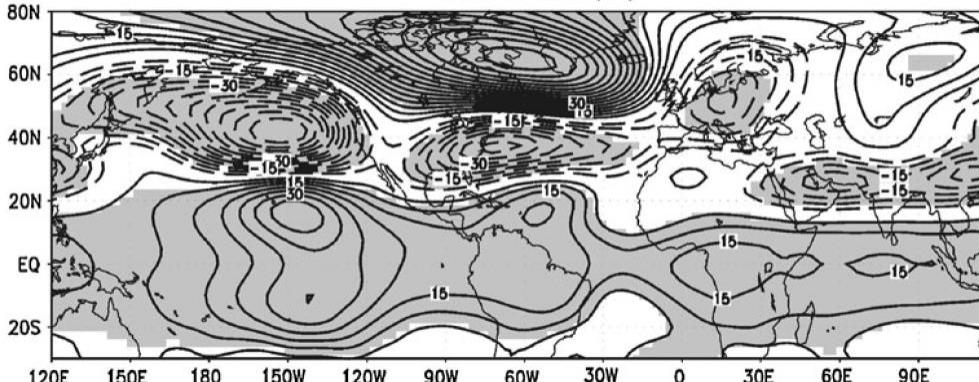
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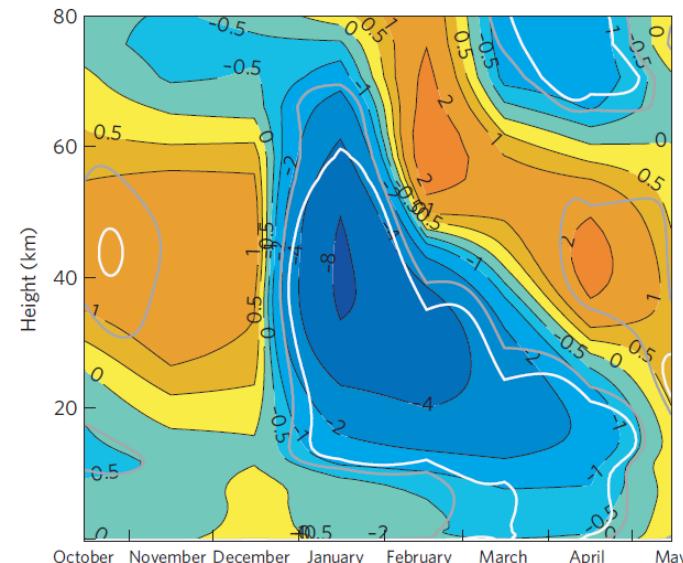
**PC1 x Z200 (JF)**



**tropospheric pathway**

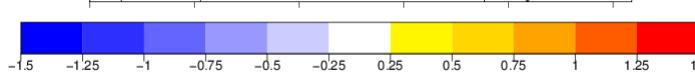
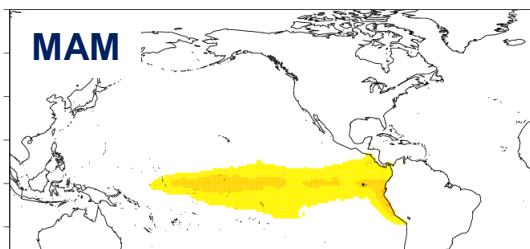
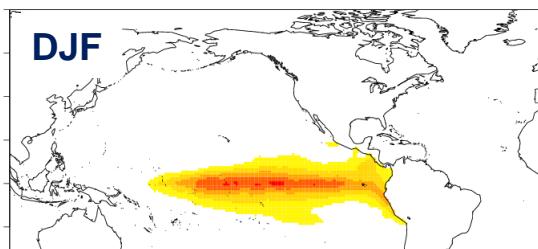
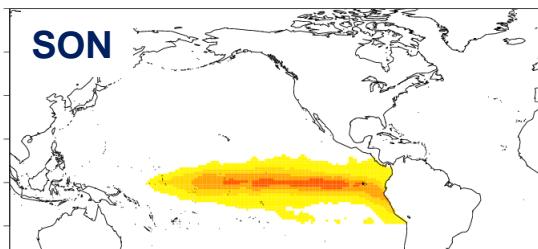
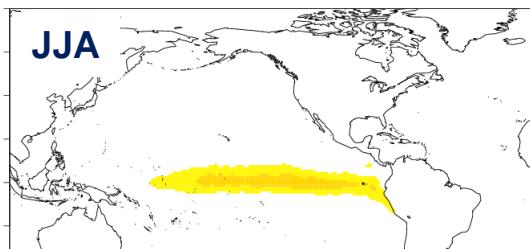
[García-Serrano et al. 2011; Mezzina et al. 2018]

stratosphere as feedback for persistence  
 [Cagnazzo and Manzini 2009]



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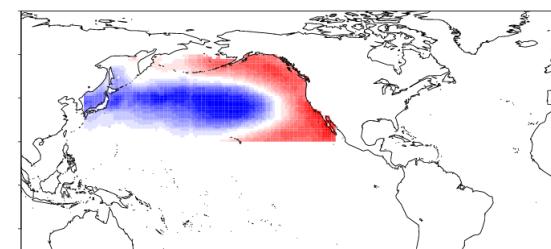
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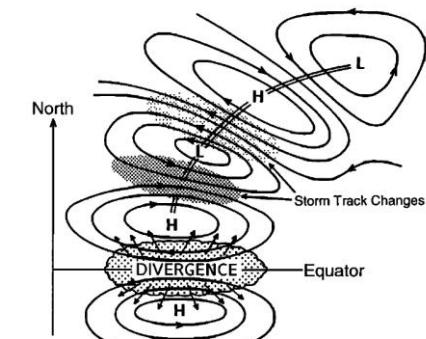
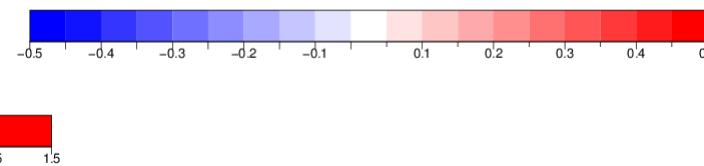
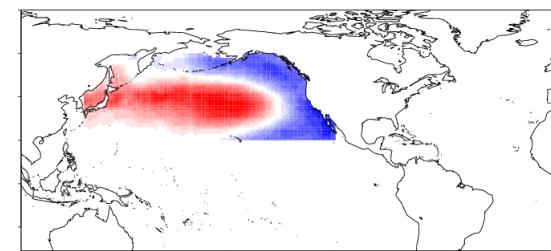
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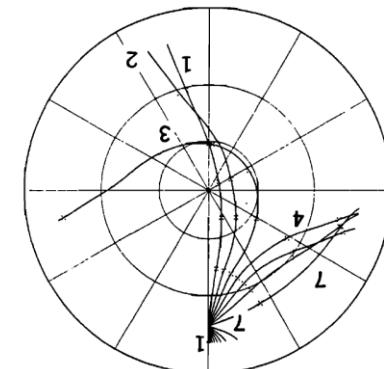
PDO+



PDO-



[Trenberth et al. 1998]

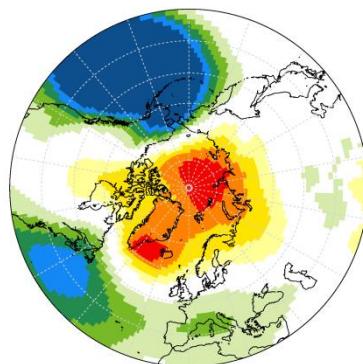


[Hoskins and Karoly 1981]

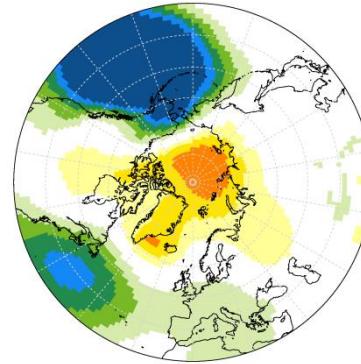
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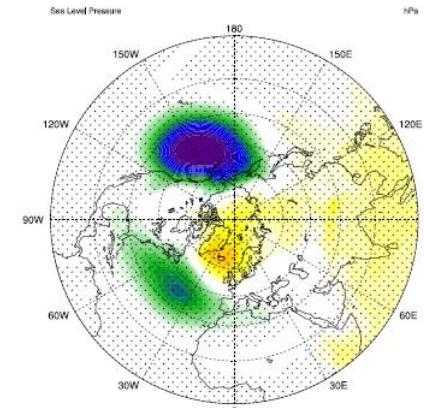
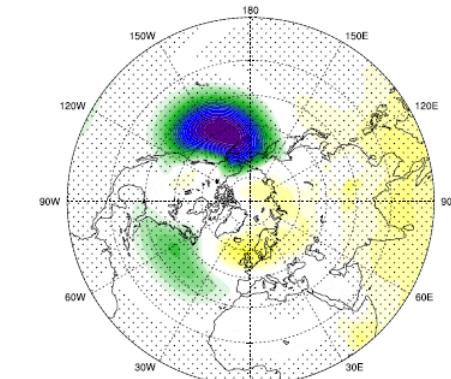
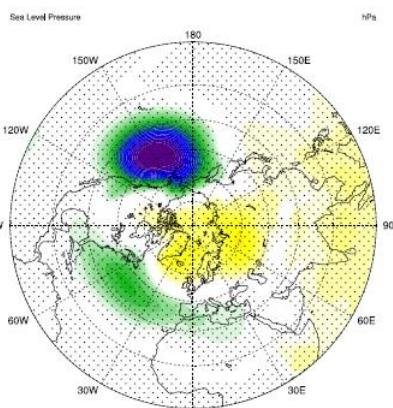
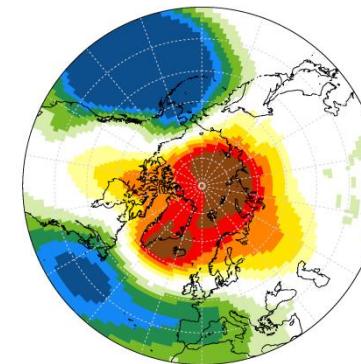
El Niño



El Niño/PDO+



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CNRM / ARPEGE  
(L91 – top 0.01hPa)

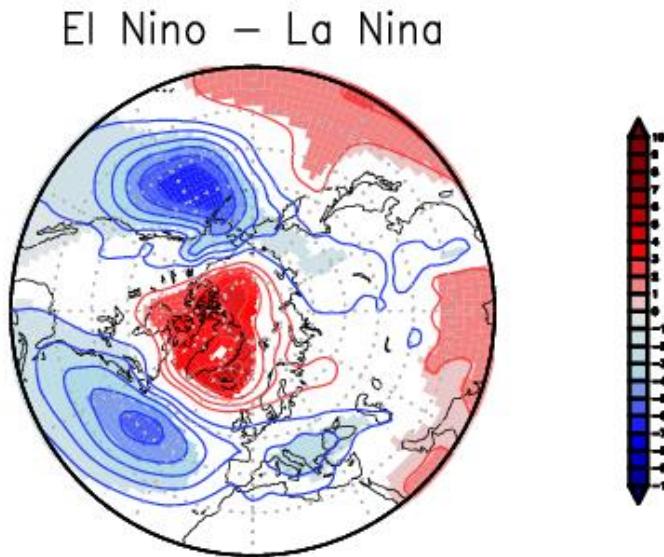
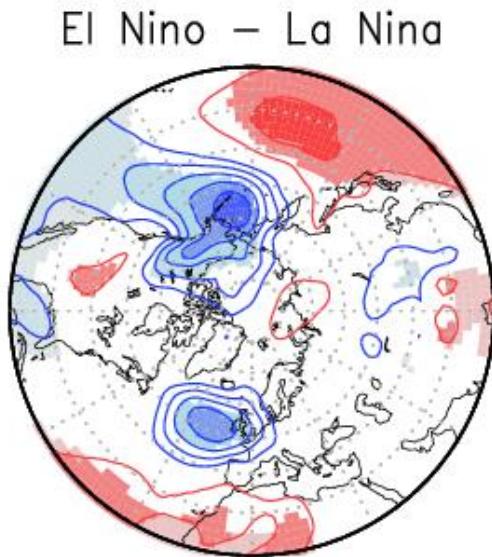
CMCC / CAM5.2  
(L46 – top 0.3hPa)

## SUMMARY:

- ENSO is the most important source of predictability at seasonal timescale...
  - ...other oceanic basins may also provide predictability (e.g. Atlantic, Indian)
  - ...other forcings may play a larger role in seasons when ENSO signal is weak
  - ...other atmospheric phenomena might be important (e.g. MJO; QBO)
- dynamical forecast systems require a proper representation of the stratosphere
- there is room for comprehensively improving empirical prediction models



# Intra-seasonal change in the ENSO teleconnection early-winter (ND) vs. late-winter (JFM)



Bladé et al. (2018, in preparation) – using NOAA-20CR

PREVIOUS EVIDENCE: observed (Moron and Gouirand 2003, IntJClimatol) and simulated (Gouirand et al. 2007, GRL)

REVIEWED: Brönnimann (2007, Rev Geophys)

REVISITED: King et al. (2018, BAMS); Ayarzagüena et al. (2018, JClim)

