



Data assimilation for continuous global assessment of severe conditions over terrestrial surfaces

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Study the vegetation and terrestrial water cycles

- **Current fleet of Earth Satellite missions holds an unprecedented potential to quantify Land Surface Variables (LSVs)**
[Lettenmaier et al., 2015, Balsamo et al., 2018]
 - ➔ Spatial and temporal gaps & cannot observe all key LSVs (e.g. RZSM)
- **Land Surface Models (LSMs) provide LSV estimates at all time/location**
 - ➔ LSMs have uncertainties
- Through a weighted combination of both, LSVs can be better estimated than by either source of information alone *[Reichle et al., 2007]*
 - ➔ **Data assimilation**
Spatially and temporally integrates the observed information into LSMs in a consistent way to unobserved locations, time steps and variables

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LDAS-Monde: global capacity offline integration of satellite observations into a land surface model fully coupled to hydrology

LDAS-Monde involves

- **Land surface model:** **ISBA-A-gs**, simulates the diurnal cycle of water and carbon fluxes, plant growth and key vegetation variables
- **River routing system:** **CTRIP** (CNRM version of Total Runoff Integrating Pathways)
- **Data assimilation routines** (SEKF, EnSRF, PF)

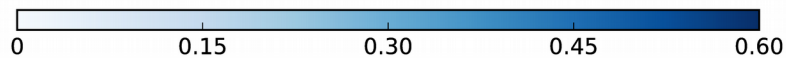
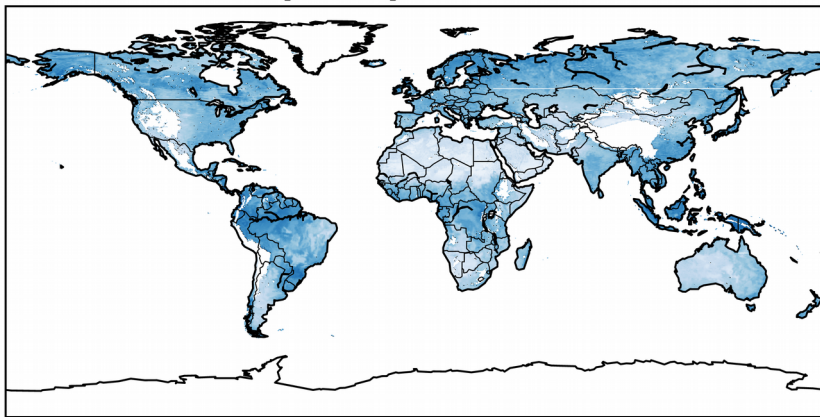
LDAS-Monde successfully validated at regional/continental scale

- Agricultural statistics (e.g. Dewaele et al., 2018, HESS)
- River discharge (e.g. Albergel et al., 2017, GMD, 2018, RS)
- In situ measurements of soil moisture (e.g. Albergel et al., 2018, RS)
- Evapotranspiration from GLEAM, Fluxnet2015 (e.g. Albergel et al., 2018, RS)
- Gross Primary Production from FLUXCOM (e.g. Tall et al., 2019, RS)
- Sun-Induced Fluorescence (vs. GPP, e.g. Leroux et al., 2018, RS, Tall et al., 2019, RS)

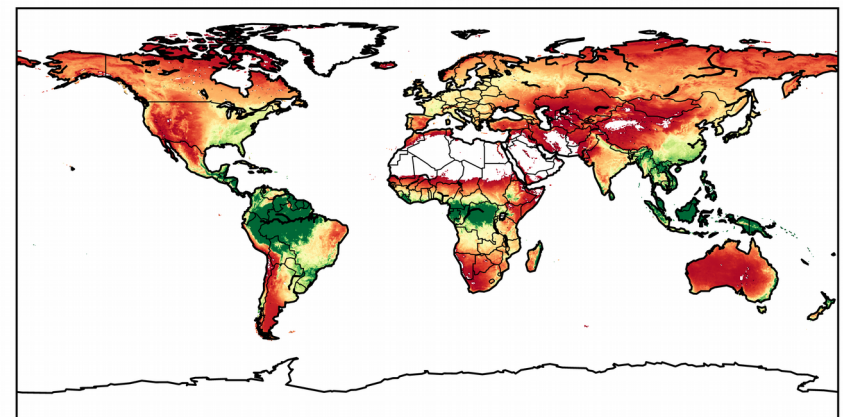
LDAS-Monde experimental set up

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ASCAT SSM [m³m⁻³] mean Obs.: 2010-2018



LAI GEOV1 [m²m⁻²] mean Obs.: 2010-2018



- Control variables (CVs) are directly updated thanks to their sensitivity to the observed variables
- Other variables are indirectly modified through biophysical processes and feedbacks in the model

*<https://land.copernicus.eu/global/>

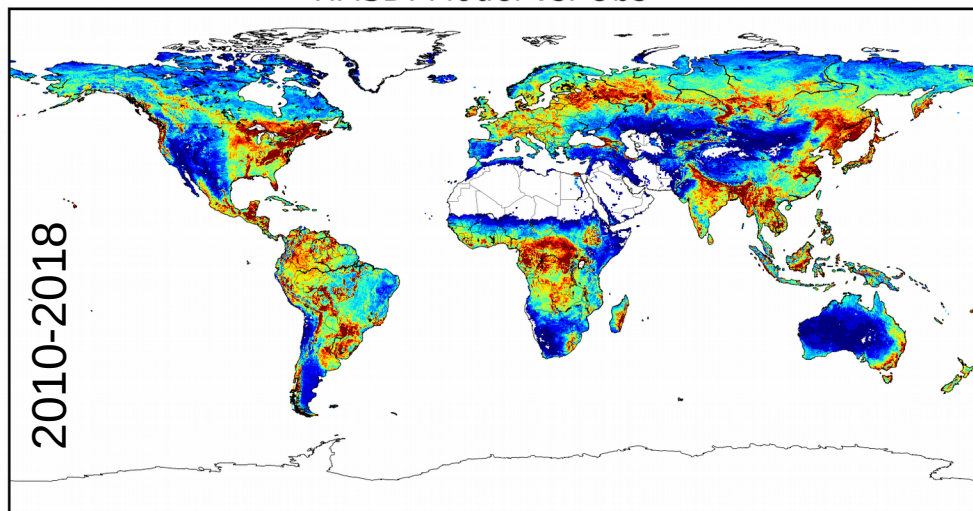


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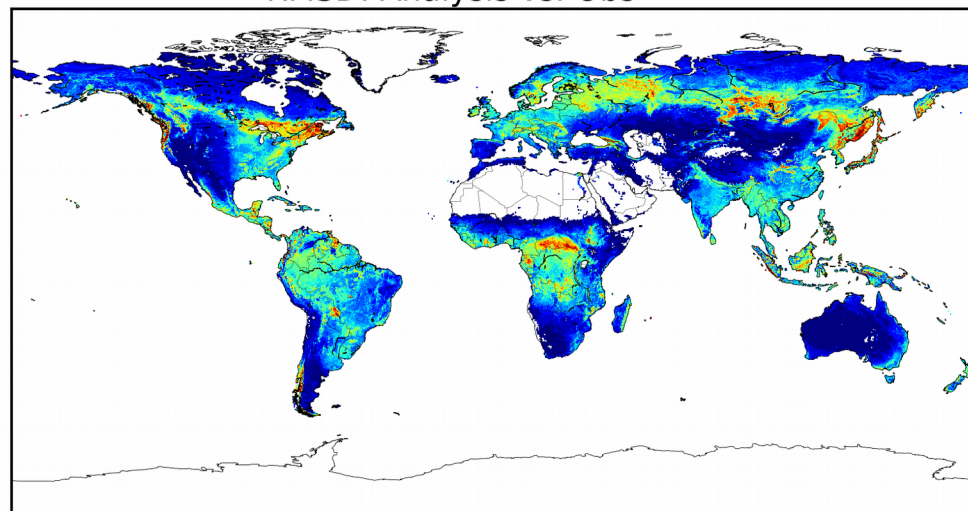
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2 LDAS-ERA5 experiments : Model/Open-loop (no assimilation) and Analysis (assimilation)

RMSD: Model vs. Obs



RMSD: Analysis vs. Obs



2010-2018

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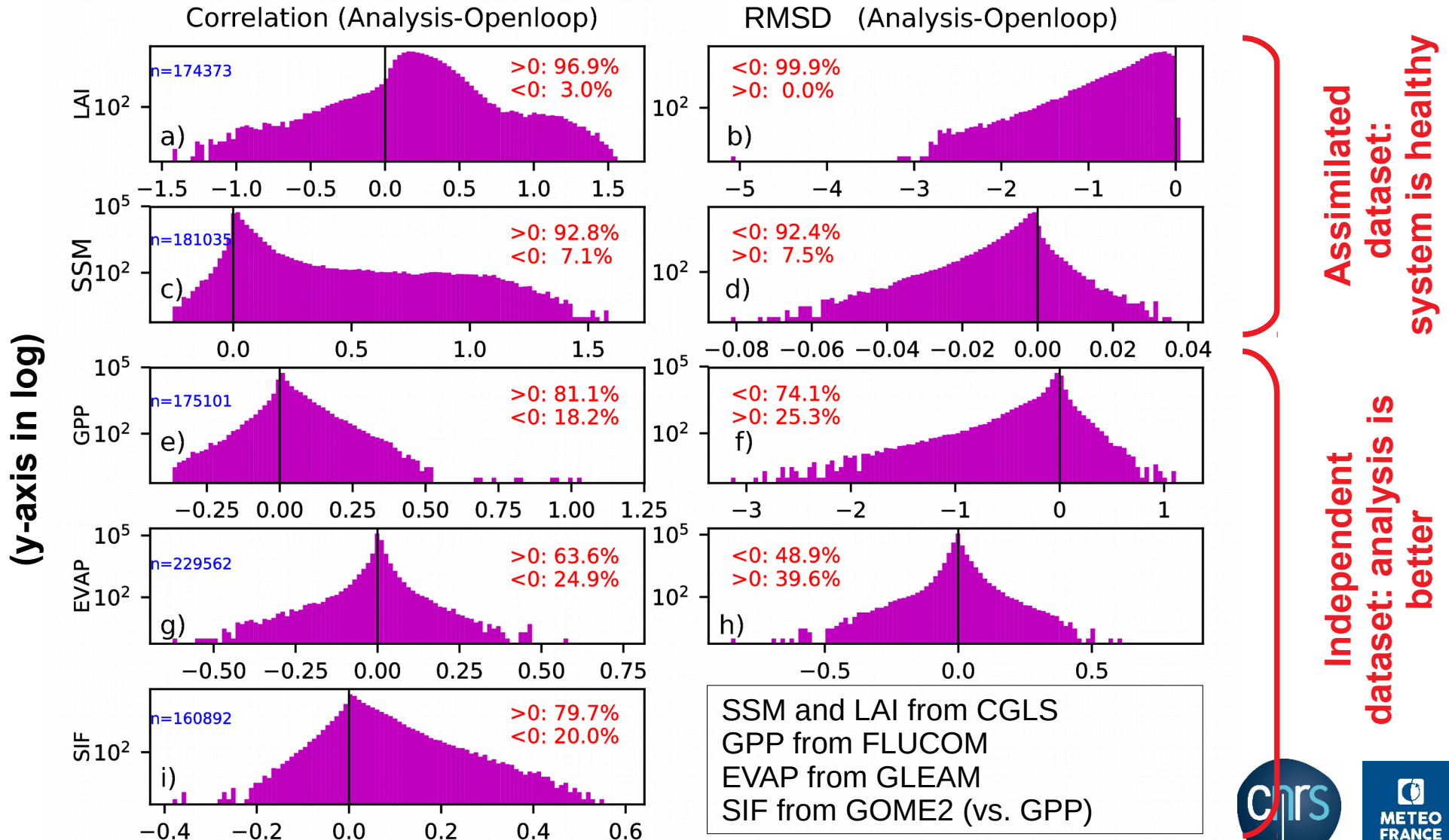
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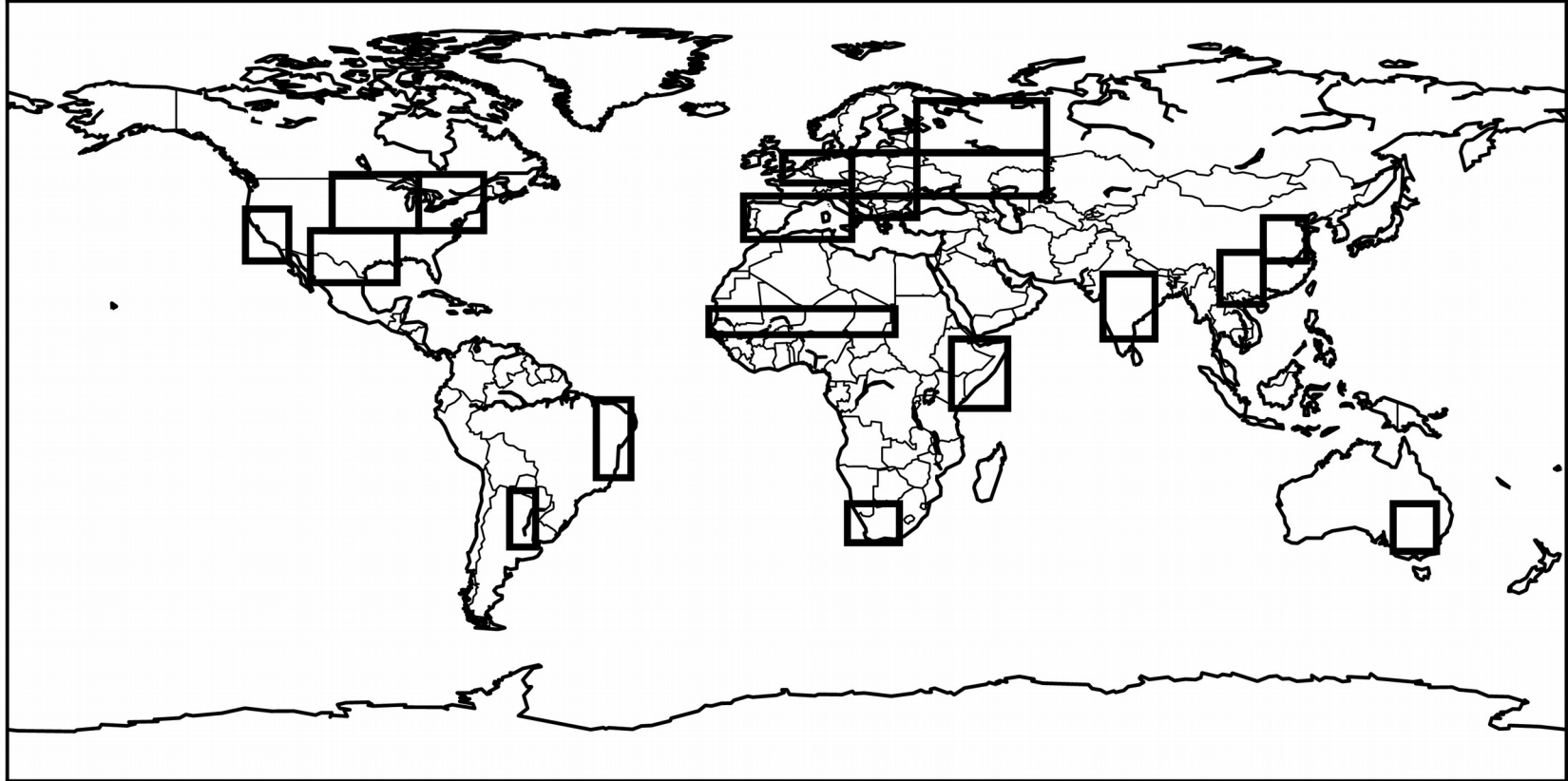
LDAS-Monde global evaluation (in a nutshell!)

Histograms of score differences: Analysis – Openloop (Correlation, RMSD)



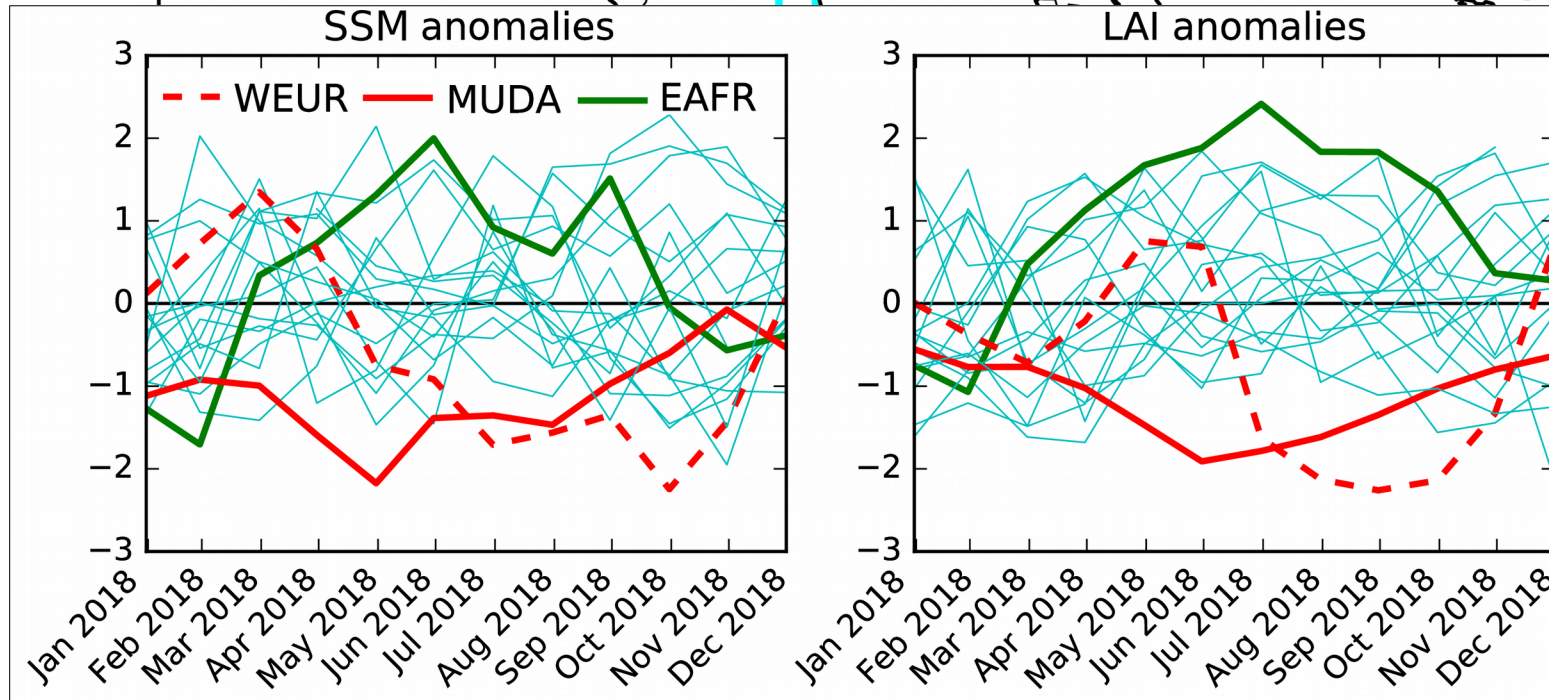
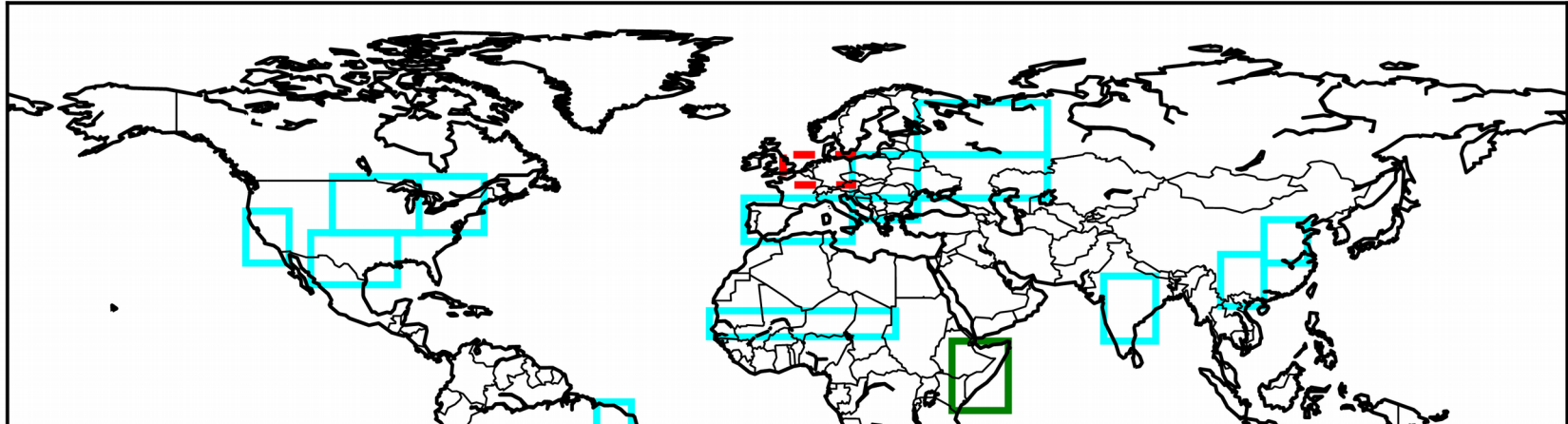
LDAS-Monde goes global

Selection of 19 regions known for being potential hot spots for droughts and heat waves



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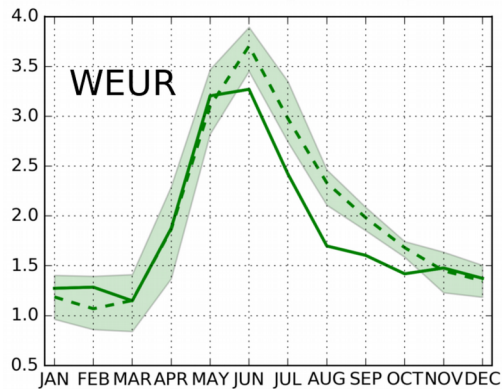
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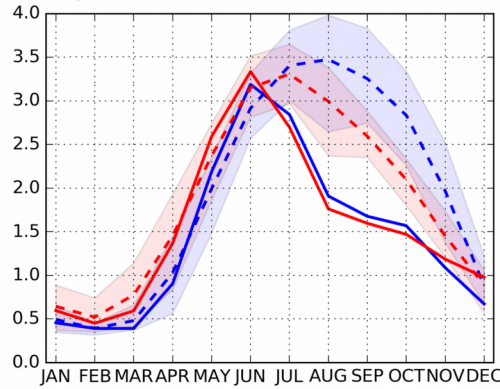
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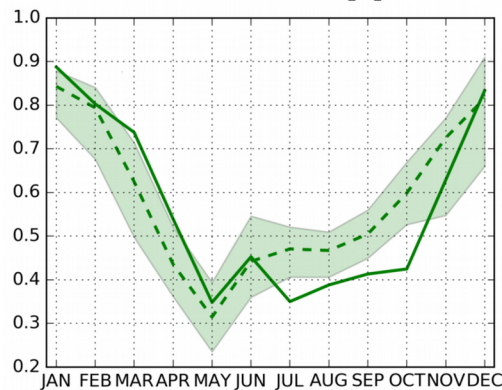
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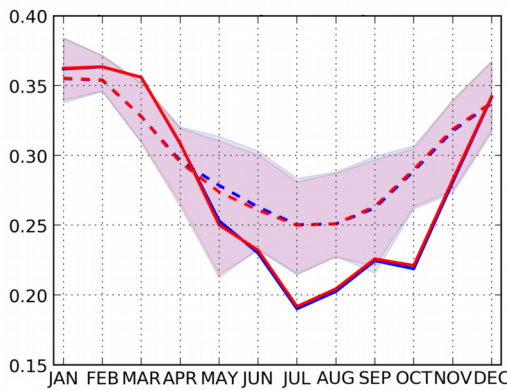
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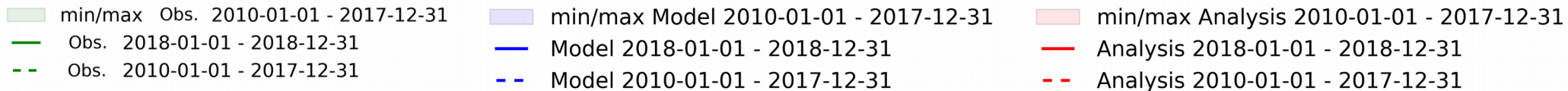
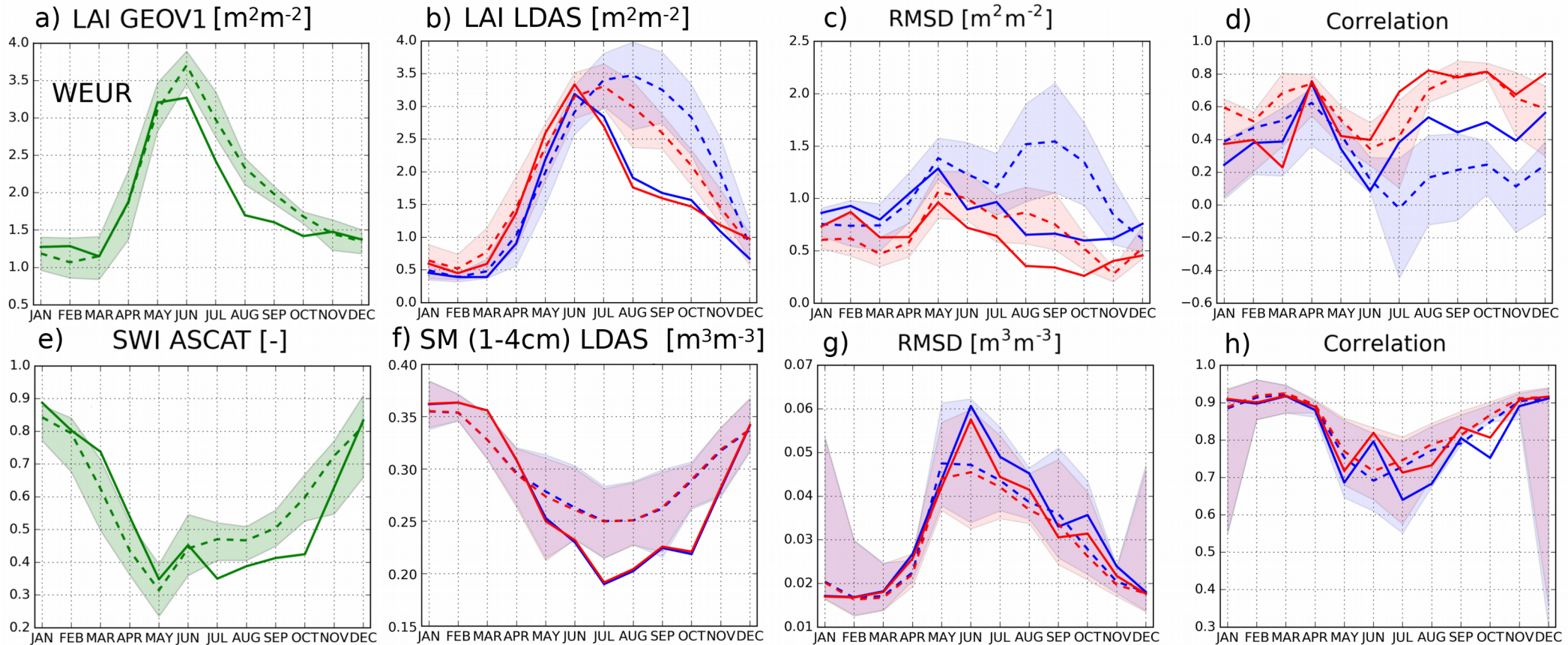
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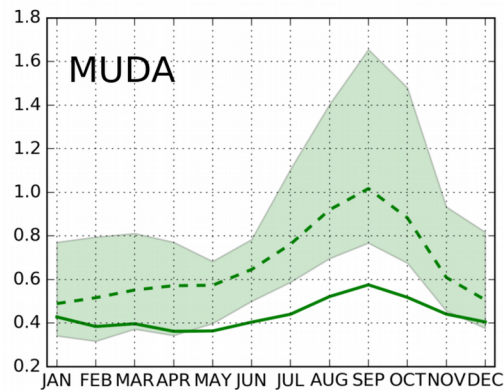
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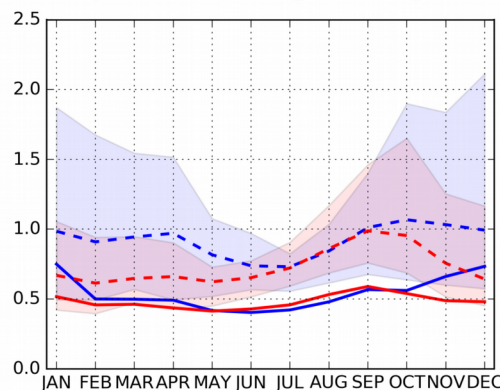
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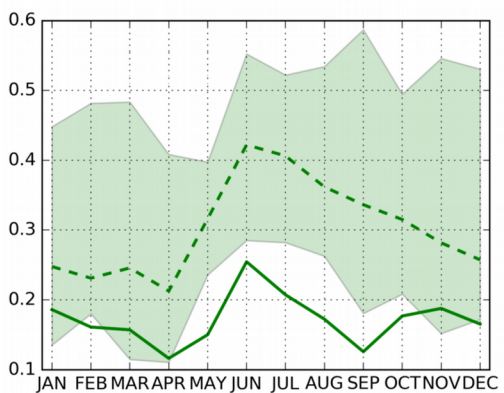
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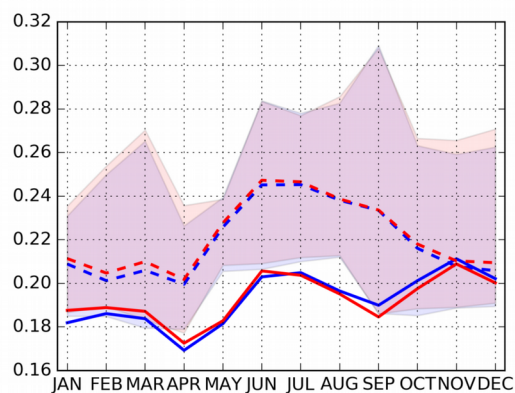
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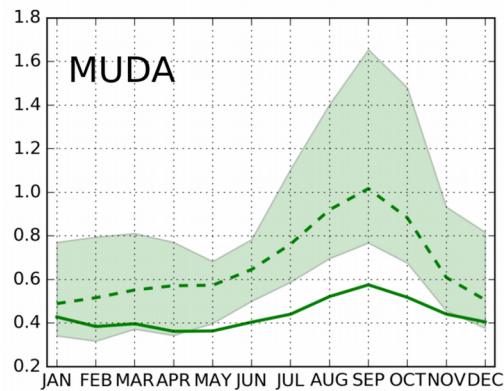
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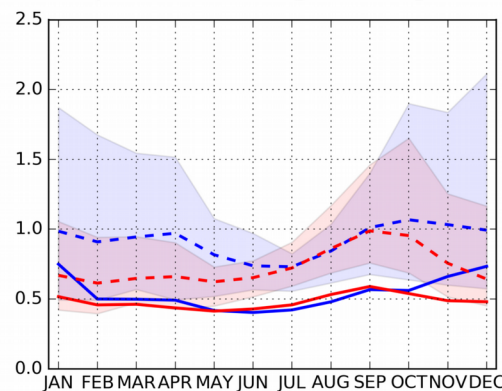
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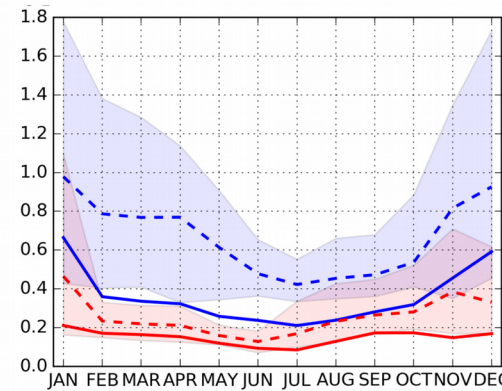
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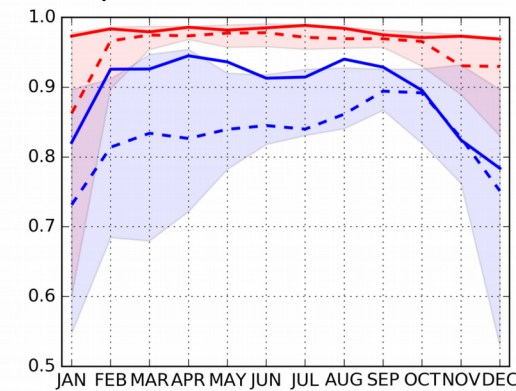
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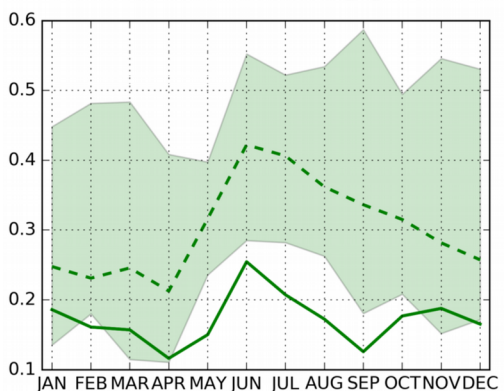
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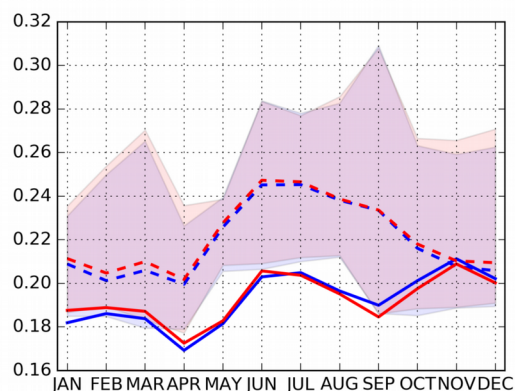
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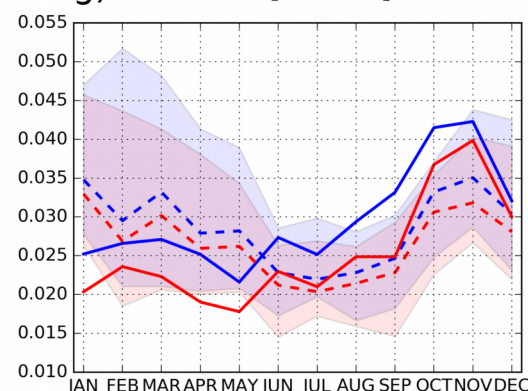
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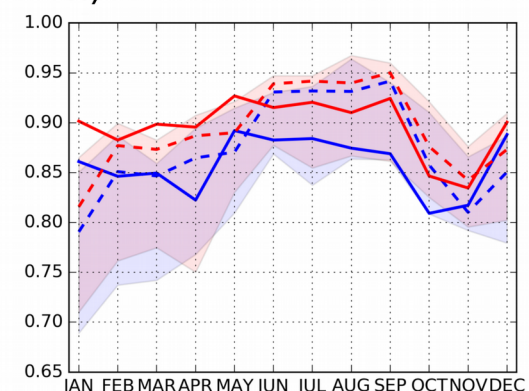
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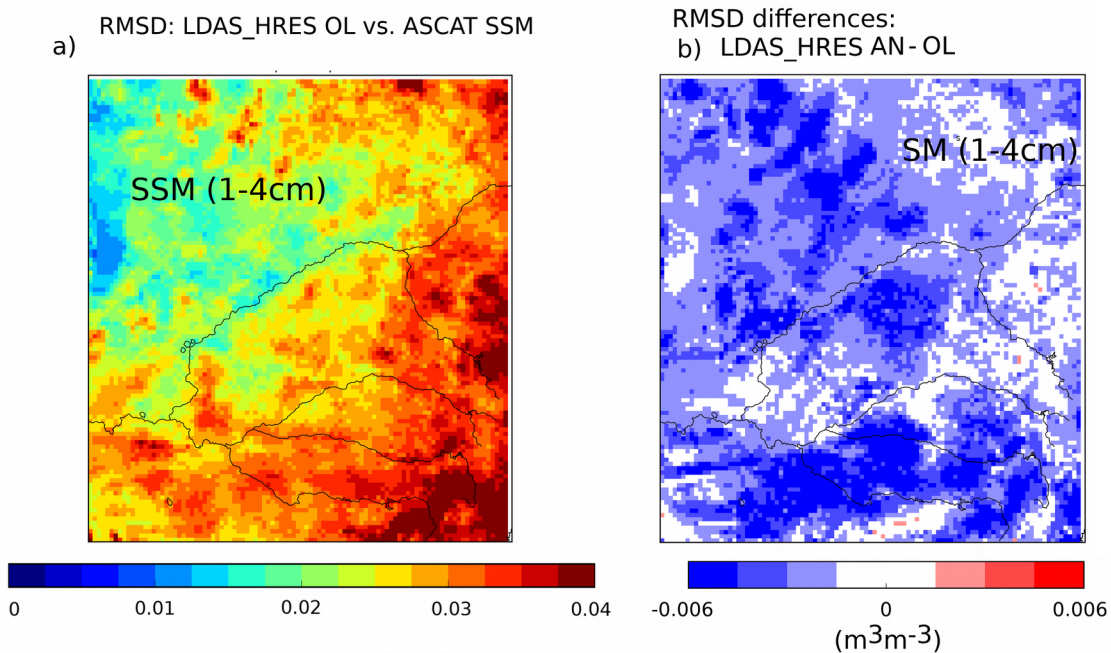
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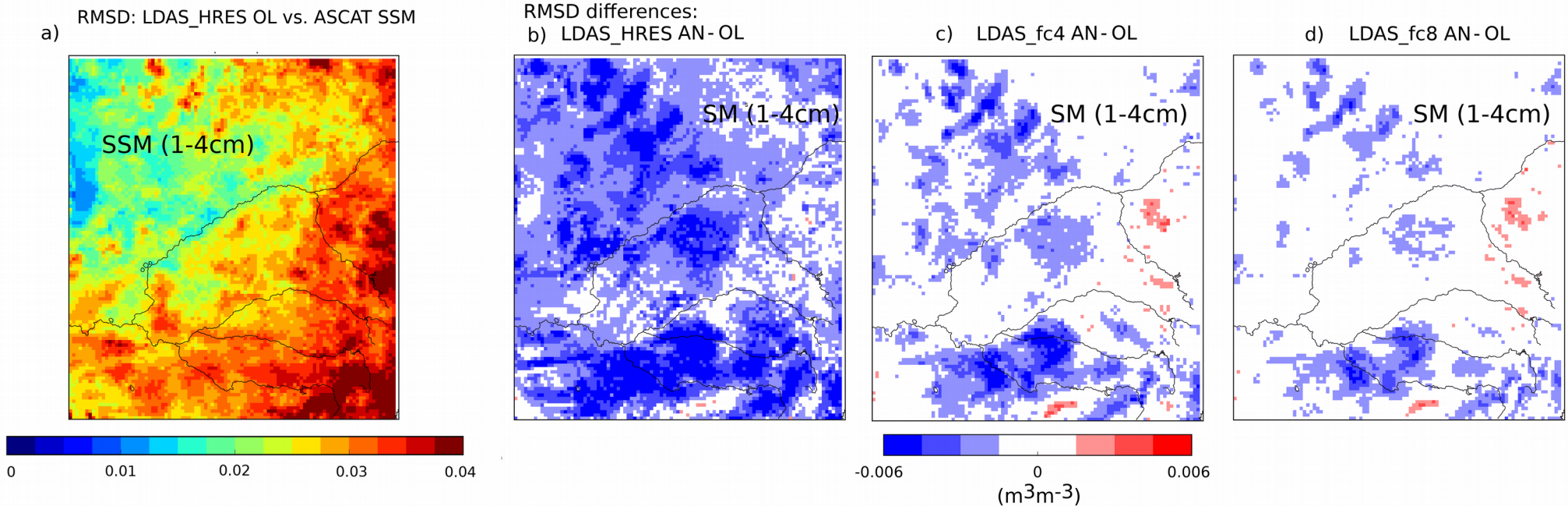


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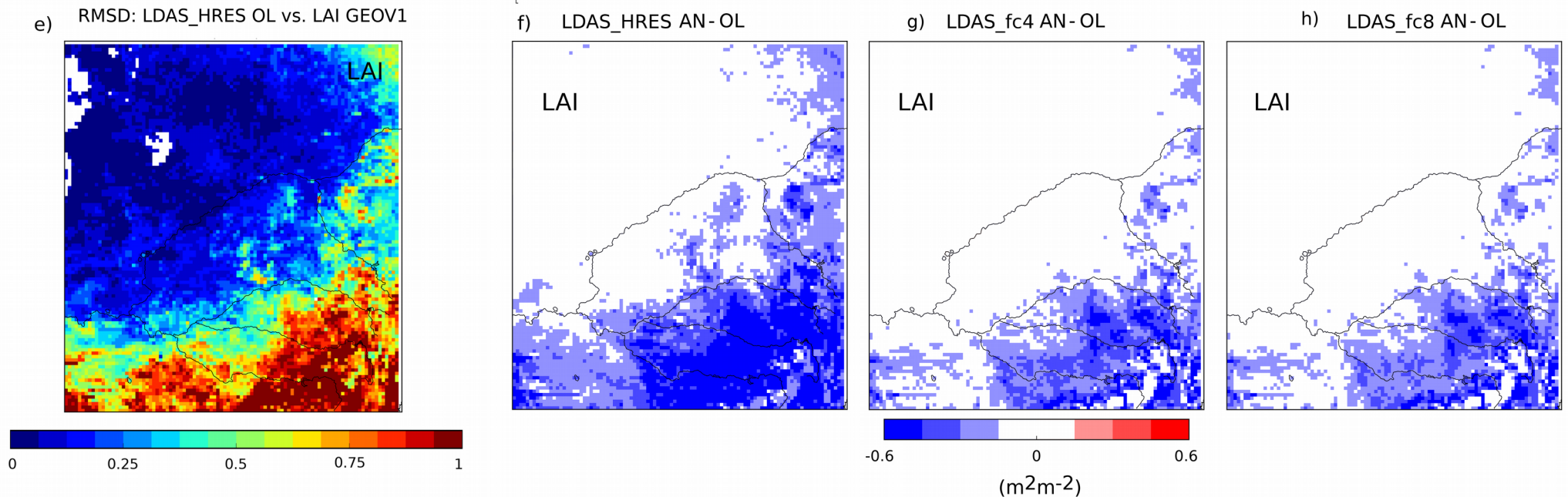


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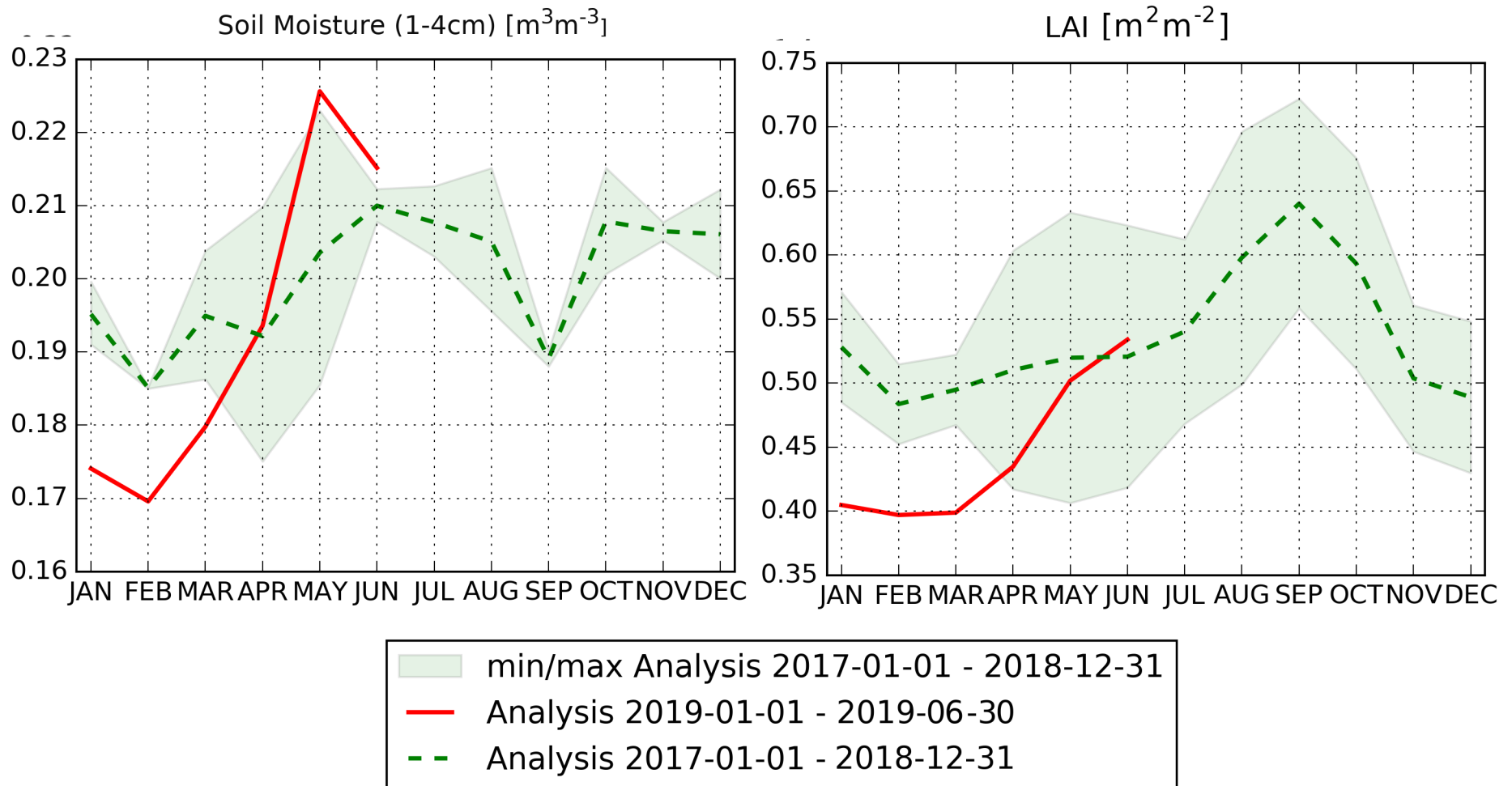
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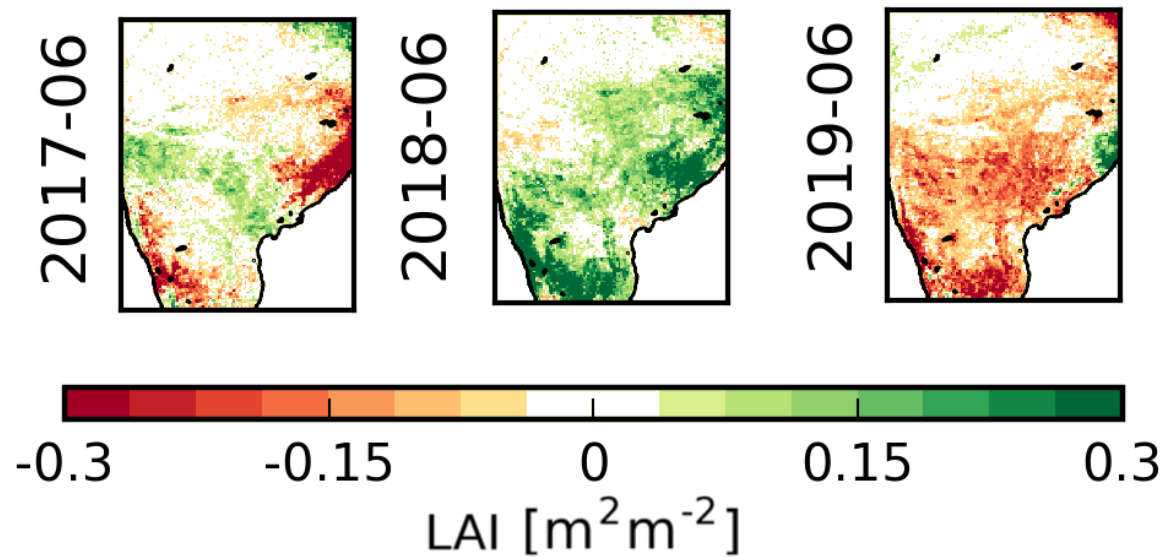
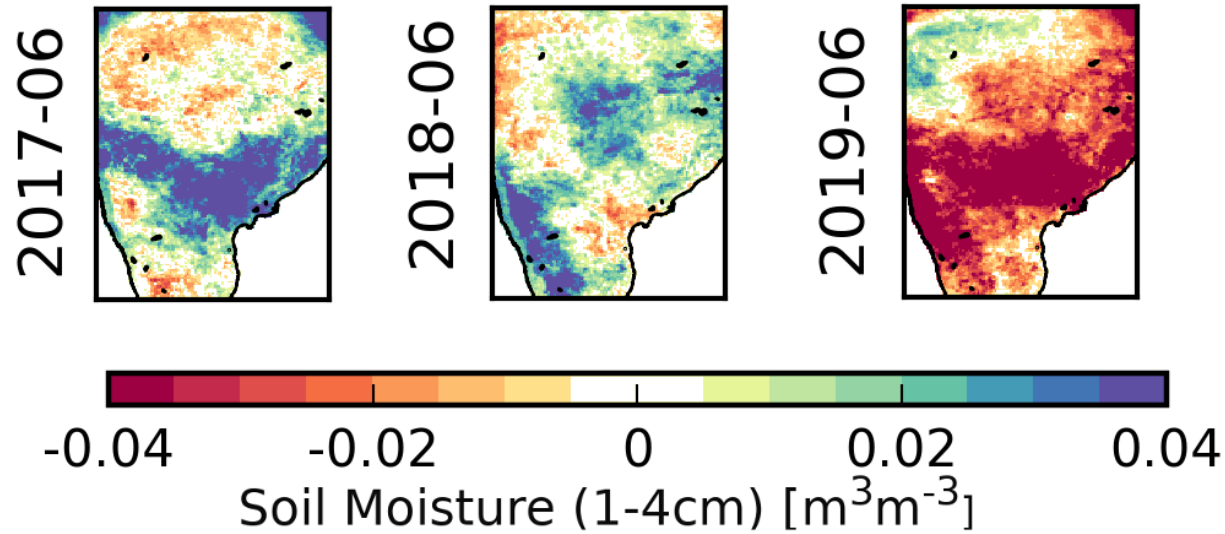
Monitoring of the LSVs : MUDA

- Information exchanged with the Bureau of Meteorology

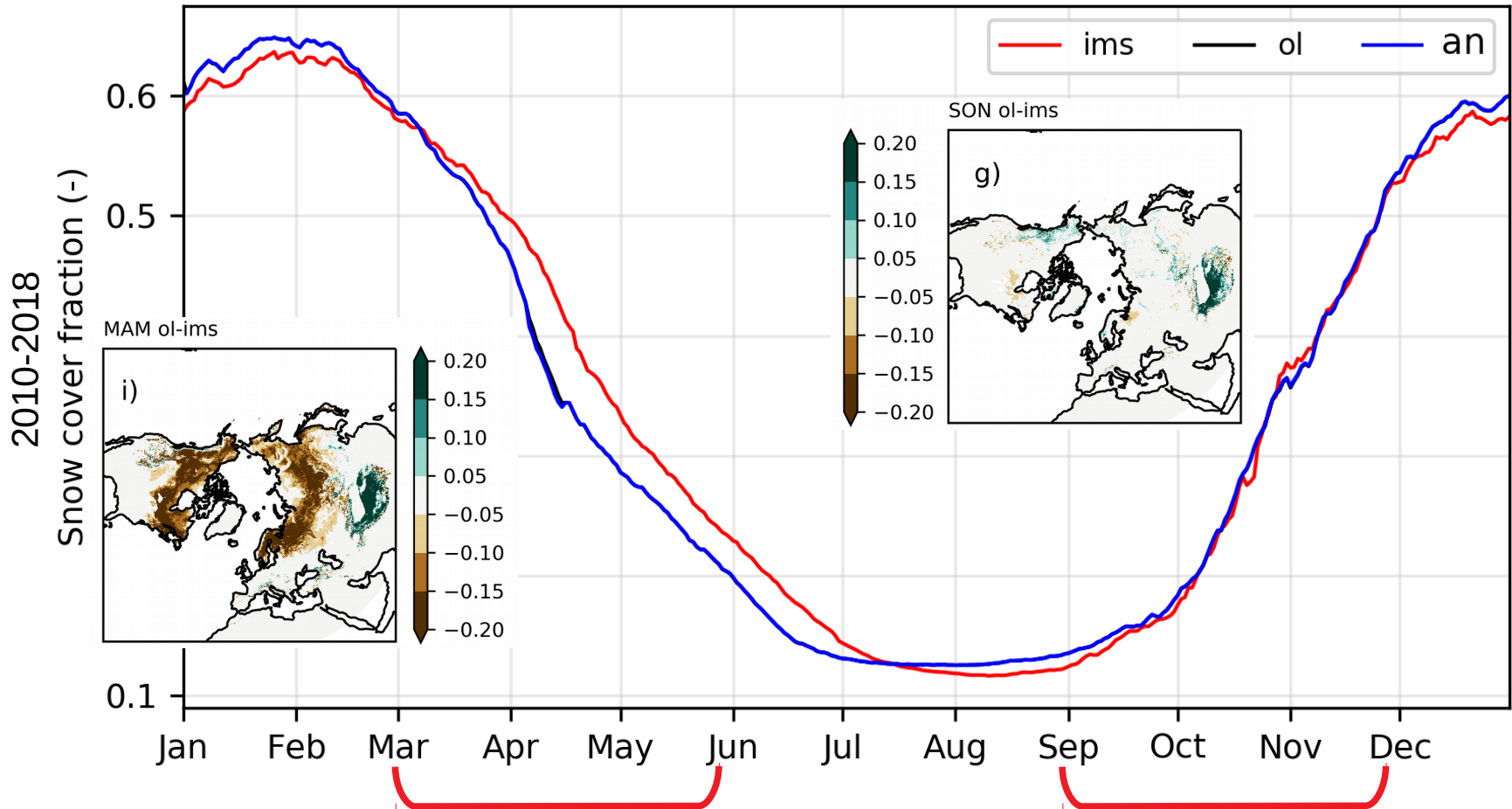


Monitoring of the LSVs : India

Monthly anomalies with respect to the 2017-2019 period



LDAS-Monde: towards snow cover DA



In a first stage, snow cover data from the Interactive Multi-sensor Snow and Ice Mapping System (or IMS) will be assimilated in LDAS-Monde

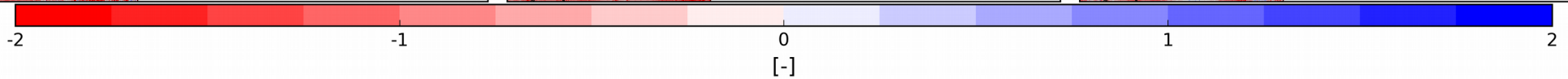
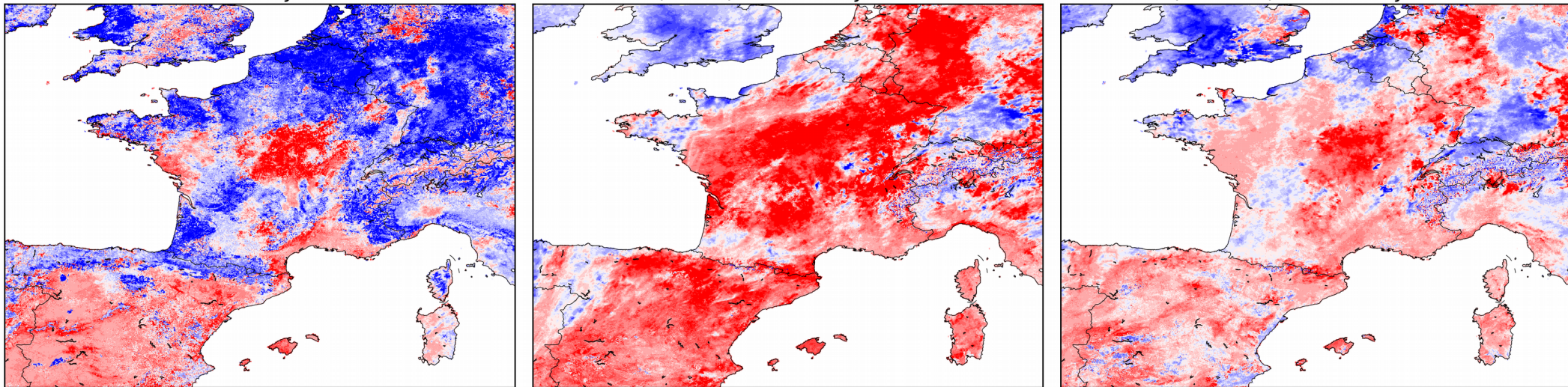
Towards 'higher' spatial resolution

- **LDAS-Monde** forced by **AROME** atmospheric fields from Météo-France at 2.5km x 2.5km spatial resolution (aggregated from 1.3km x 1.3km spatial resolution)
- ➔ Impact of the June 2019 heatwave

LAI Ano. 20-30 June 2019

SM (1-4cm) Ano. 20-30 June 2019

SM (40-60cm) Ano. 20-30 June 2019



Monthly anomalies in units of standard deviation

Conclusions

LDAS-Monde: combining LSM, satellite EOs and atmospheric forcing

- Great potential to monitor and forecast the impact of extreme weather on LSVs

LDAS-Monde provides a model climate as reference for anomalies of LSVs

- Significant anomalies trigger more detailed monitoring and forecasting activities at higher spatial resolution

LDAS-Monde ready for use in various applications

- Reanalyses of land ECVs
- Water resource / drought / vegetation monitoring
- Detection of severe conditions over land and initialisation of LSVs forecast

Open LDAS-Monde freely available:

<https://opensource.umr-cnrm.fr/projects/openldasmonde>

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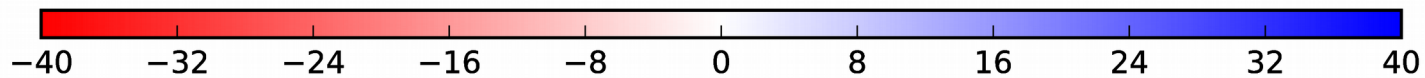
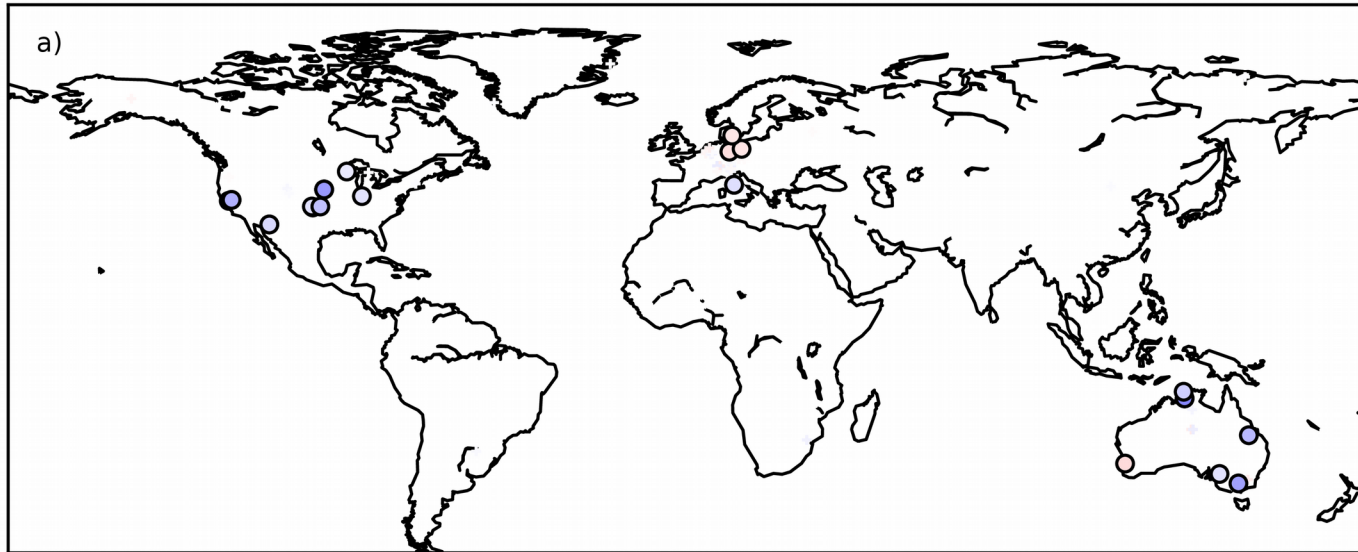
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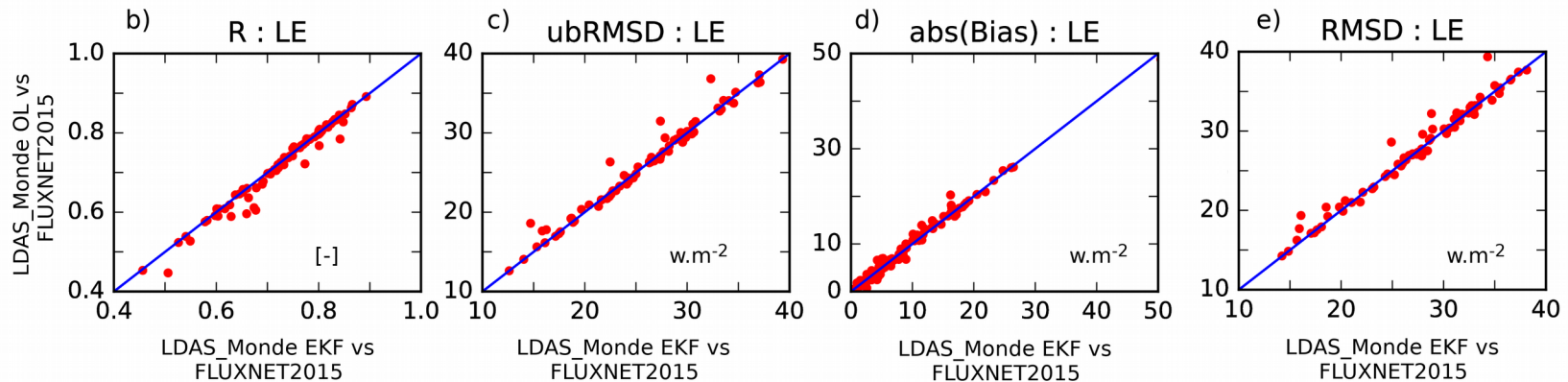


Evaluation against Fluxnet2015 (evap)

Normalized Information Contribution (NIC) based on R values, LDAS_Monde EKF-OL

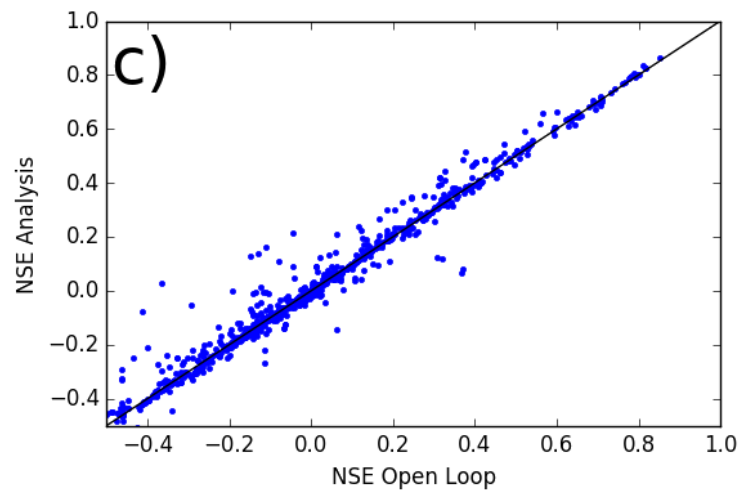
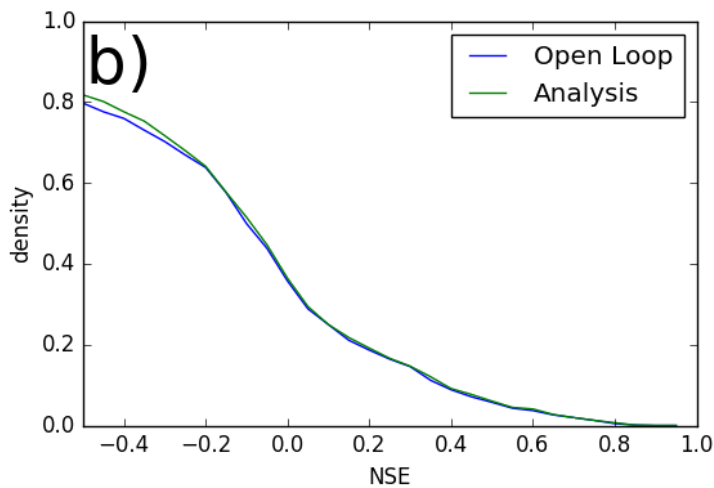
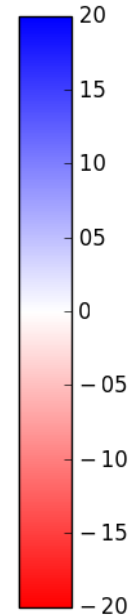
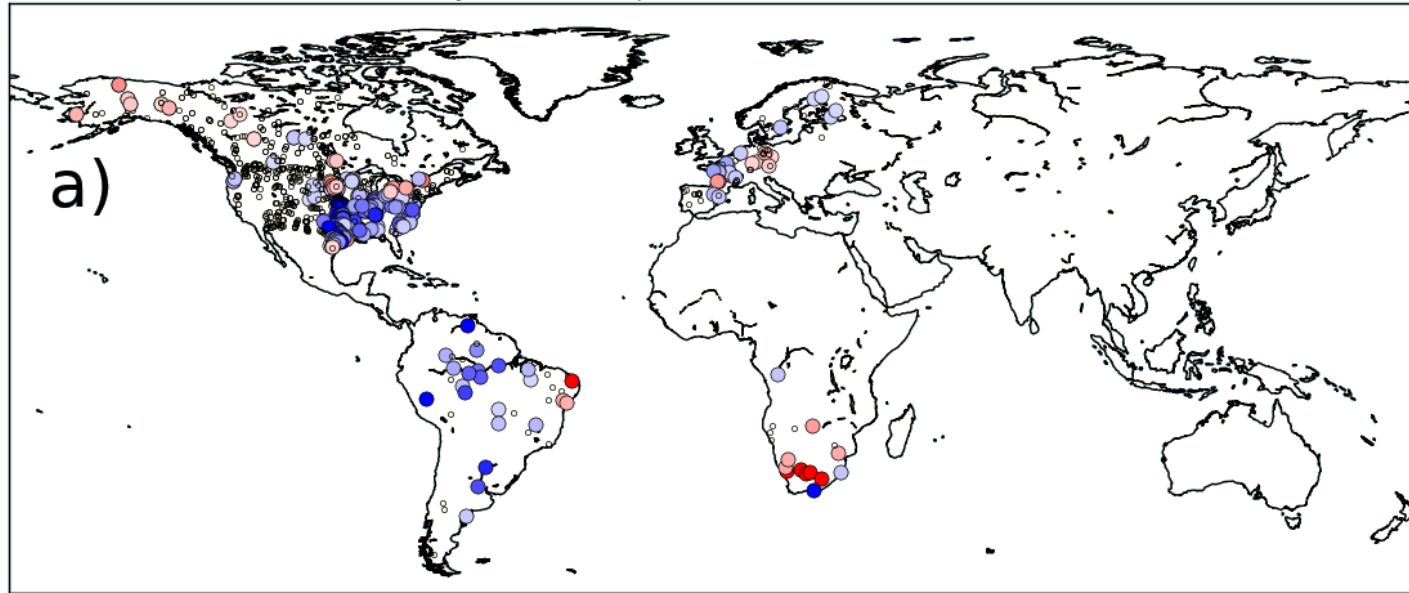


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Evaluation against river discharge

Analysis scores improvement (NIC) - 982 stations



Evaluation against in situ SSM

NIC R : LDAS_ERA5 analysis vs. openloop

