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# Model benchmarking and monitoring

with ESMValTool v2.12.0



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## **New preprocessor**



### distance\_metric

Calculates a distance metric with respect to a given reference dataset over dimensions specified.

metric	unweighted	weighted
Root mean square error (RMSE)	$RMSE_{unweighted} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (X_i - R_i)^2}$	$RMSE_{weighted} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{N} w_i (X_i - R_i)^2}$
Pearson's correlation coefficient	$r_{unweighted} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} (X_i - \bar{X})(R_i - \bar{R})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{N} (X_i - \bar{X})^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{N} (R_i - \bar{R})^2}}$	$r_{weighted} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} [w_i(X_i - \bar{X})(R_i - \bar{R})]}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{N} (w_i(X_i - \bar{X})^2)} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{N} (w_i(R_i - \bar{R})^2)}}$
Earth mover's distance (EMD)	$EMD = \min_{\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}_+} \sum_{i,j}^n \gamma_{ij}  x_i - r_j   \text{with}  \sum_j^n \gamma_{ij} = p_x(x_i); \; \sum_i^n \gamma_{ij} = p_r(r_j)$	

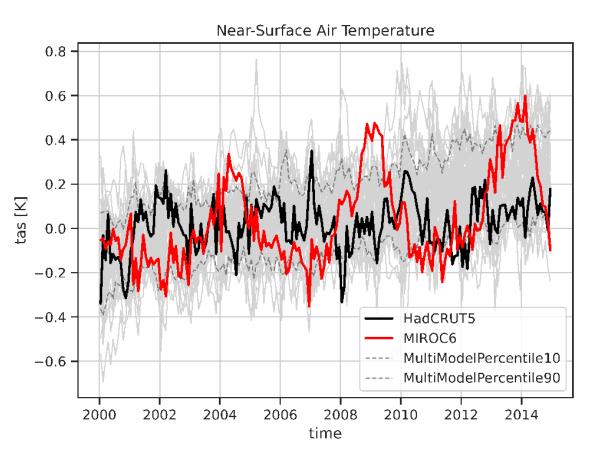


### New plot types (multi\_datasets.py)

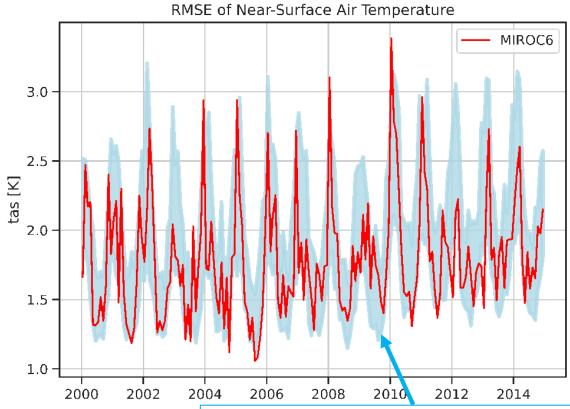
- annual cycles ("benchmarking\_annual\_cycle")
- box plots ("benchmarking\_boxplot")
- diurnal cycles ("benchmarking\_annual\_cycle" and "diurnal\_cycle")
- maps ("benchmarking\_map")
- time series ("benchmarking\_timeseries")
- zonal mean profiles ("benchmarking\_zonal")
- → Metrics calculated for an ensemble of models (e.g. CMIP6) can be used for comparison with the results from a select simulation.



#### Time series (global average anomalies)



# Average RMSE of the monthly mean values at each grid box

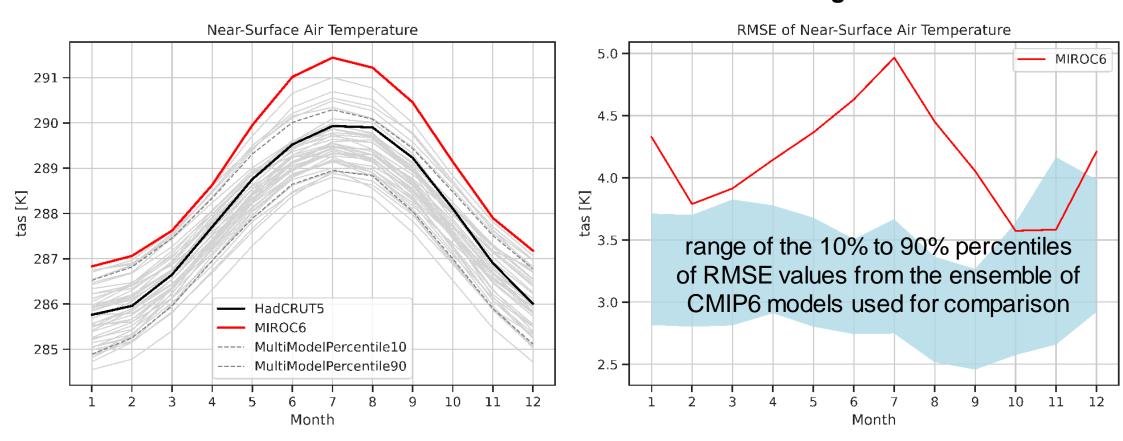


range of the 10% to 90% percentiles of RMSE values from the ensemble of CMIP6 models used for comparison



#### Annual cycle (global average)

# Average RMSE of the annual cycle at each grid box





#### Diurnal cycle (average tropical ocean)

### Precipitation 4.75 ERA5 MIROC6 MultiModelPercentile10 4.50 MultiModelPercentile90 3.25 3.00 -21

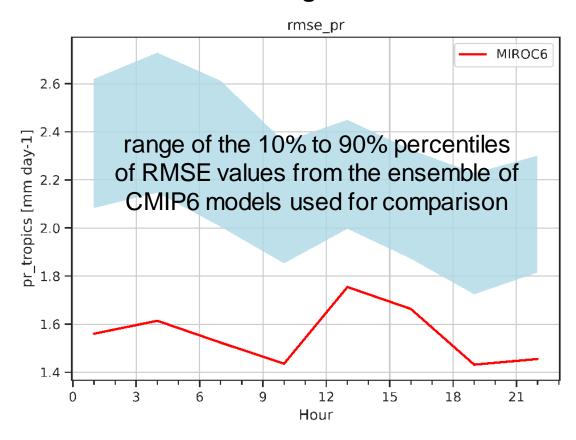
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Hour

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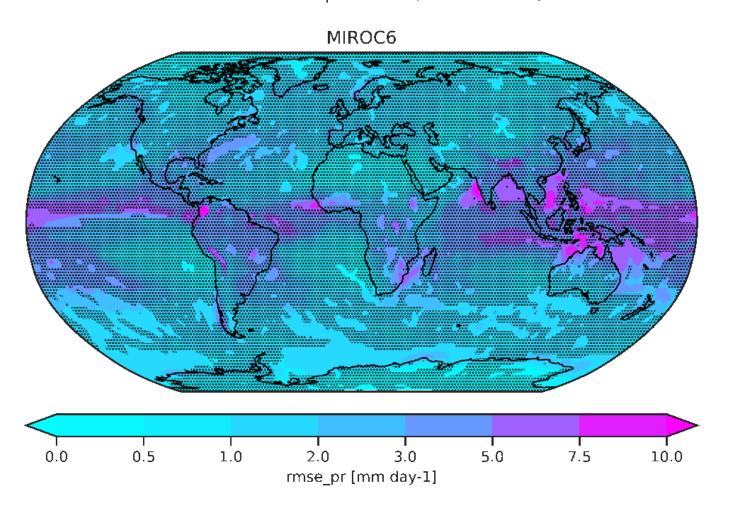
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### Average RMSE of the diurnal cycle at each grid box





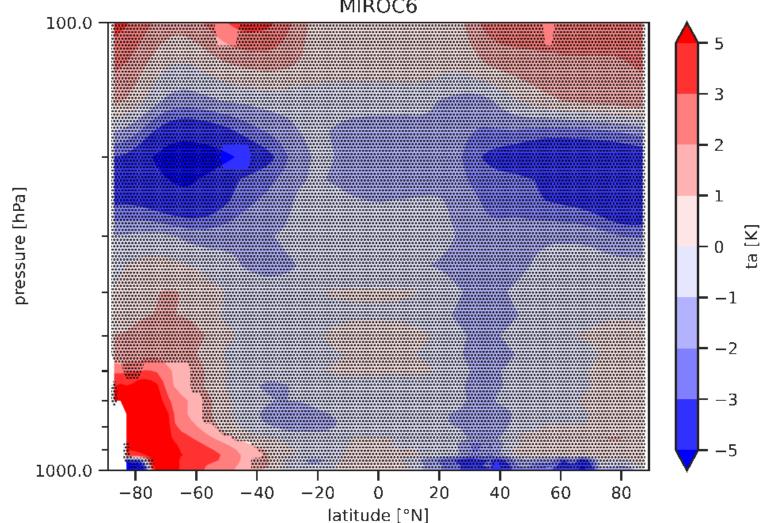
RMSE of Precipitation (2000-2004)



Stippled areas mask grid cells where the RMSE is smaller than the 90% percentile of RMSE values from an ensemble of CMIP6 models.



Bias
Air Temperature (2000-2004)
MIROC6

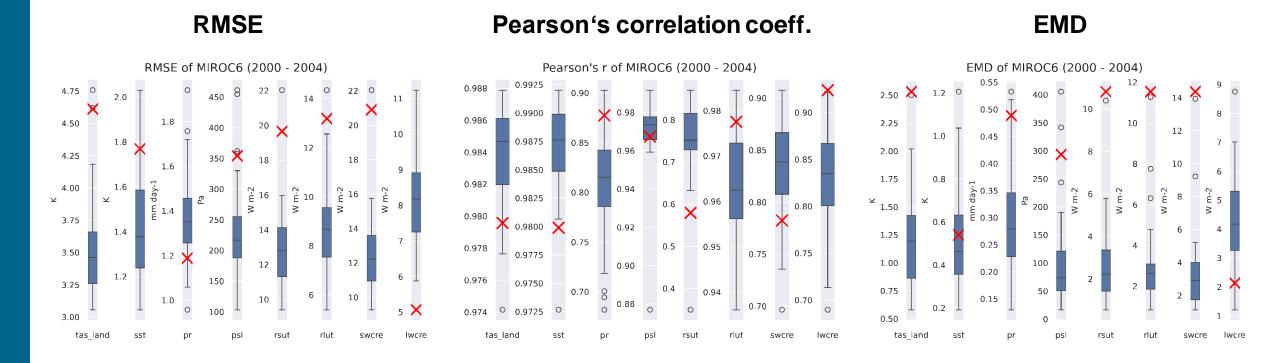


Stippled areas mask grid cells where the absolute BIAS (|BIAS|) is smaller than the maximum of the absolute 10% (|p10|) and the absolute 90% (|p90|) percentiles from an ensemble of CMIP6 models, i.e.

|BIAS|≤max(|p10|,|p90|).



Comparison of the geographical pattern of 5-year means of different variables from a simulation of MIROC6 (red cross) in comparison to the CMIP6 ensemble (boxplot)



## Pull request



Benchmarking recipes (Lauer et al.) #3598