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The purpose of this tutorial is to demonstrate how stitches can be used as an emulator. While stitches can emulate a number of CMIP6 models, this example will focus on emulating CanESM5 SSP245 results.

This tutorial also assumes that the user has either seen a talk on stitches or read the paper published in *Earth System Dyanmics* (Tebaldi et al 2022). This tutorial is aimed at highlighting the flexibility of functions in stitches.

A simpler quickstart notebook comes in every stitches download and includes installation instructions:

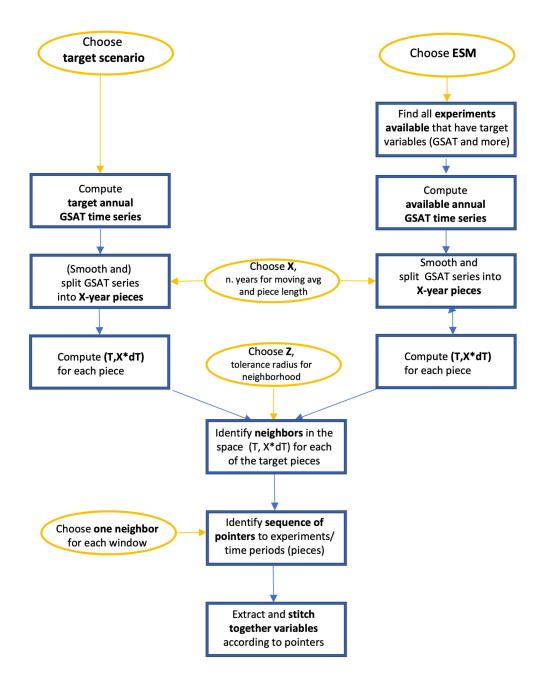
https://github.com/JGCRI/stitches/blob/main/notebooks/stitches-quickstart.ipynb

Both notebooks assume a familiarity with CMIP-style data.

To use stitches, there are a number of decisions users have to make, perhaps the most important being:

- Which ESM will stitches emulate?
- What archive data will be used? These are values of global temperature (in the following referred to as GSAT, or Tgav, or tas) for experiments/time periods (e.g., historical and SSP realizations) that the target data will be matched to. It should only contain data for the specific ESM that is being emulated. Since the match occurs in terms of annual GSAT but the ultimate purpose is to emulate other variables at possibly higher temporal frequencies (e.g., monthly or daily precipitation, winds, humidity) it will be important for the users to make sure that the archive data represents experiments/time windows for which those variables have been saved/made available by the ESM that they want to emulate. stitches includes checks on this but pre-filtering data is always safe.
- What target data will be used? This data frame represents the temperature pathway the stitched product will follow. The contents of this data frame may come from computing GSAT from CMIP6 ESM temperature output (as we do in this tutorial) according to a standard SSP scenario, or it may follow some arbitrary pathway that a simple model like Hector or FaIR has produced.

A diagram illustrating the stitches process is included for reference:

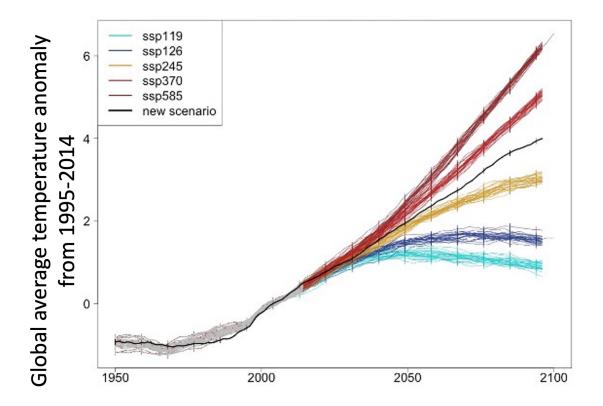


• stitches defaults to X = 9 year windows.

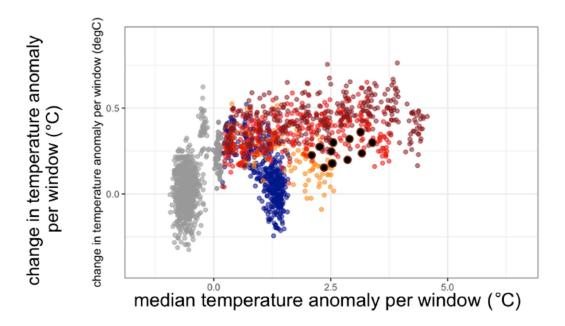
In essence STITCHES works by matching X-year segments of a target GSAT trajectory to X-year segments of available GSAT trajectories, computed from the archived output of an ESM that has been run according to SSP scenarios. The choice of X balances the need to maintain temporal consistency with the need to have flexibility in matching GSAT anomalies and rates of change. STITCHES uses X=9 year windows.

So, if one were to take ESM data for many scenarios and plot the corresponding global average temperature trajectoriesafter smoothing, the vertical lines drawn here represents a potential segmenting of the data into those 9-year windows of both available simulations

(colored lines) and a target trajectory (the back line, here as an example, the new trajectory intermediate to those available).



For each segment, the median temperature value and the change in value per segment can be plotted in a two-dimensional space where now the windows of the available scenarios are the colored dots, and those of the target scenario are the black dots:



This two dimensional space is where matching between target points (black) and available archive points (colorful) occurs, using a nearest neighbor approach.

### **Getting Started**

import stitches

Load the additional python libraries that will be used in this example. These packages are installed as stitches dependencies.

```
import os
import pkg_resources
import warnings

import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
```

```
# For help with plotting
%matplotlib inline
%config InlineBackend.figure_format = 'retina'
plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = 12, 6
```

### Install the package data from Zenodo

The package data is all data that has been processed from raw Pangeo data and is generated with package functions. For convenience and rapid cloning of the github repository, the package data is also minted on Zenodo and can be quickly downloaded for using the package.

```
# stitches.install_package_data()
```

### **Example Set Up**

In this example, we will use stitches to emulate CanESM5 SSP245 results (an experiment run under CMIP6). This is our *Target Data*. Then we will compare the stitches results with actual CanESM5 SSP245 output data.

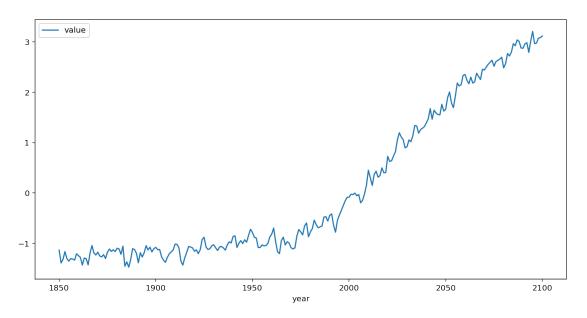
For CMIP6 results, Earth system model data runs from 1850-2100 (or 2099, depending on the ESM). This tutorial will focus on emulating that entire period.

### **Decide on the target data**

- The primary input to stitches functions that most users will adjust is the target data.
- The target data is the temperature pathway the stitched (emulated) product will follow. This data can come from an ESM or another class of climate models, for a specific SSP scenario or an arbitrarily defined scenario. Similarly to the archive data, the target data should contain the mean temperature anomaly and rate of temperature change for every X-year window into which the target GSAT trajectory has been subdivided.
- The target data window and the archive window must be the same length, stitches uses a X=9-year window by default. stitches includes functions for processing raw ESM Tgav data into the structure it needs for matching.
- In this example, we will use CanESM5 SSP245 results for a single ensemble member to use as our target data.

Take a look at the structure and a plot of the time series we will be targeting:

```
print(target data.head())
target_data.plot(x='year', y='value')
plt.show()
plt.close()
                       ensemble
  variable experiment
                                   model
                                          year
                                                    value
0
       tas
               ssp245
                       r1i1p1f1 CanESM5
                                          1850 -1.133884
1
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               ssp245
                                           1851 -1.389375
2
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                                           1852 -1.318175
3
               ssp245
                       r1i1p1f1 CanESM5
                                           1853 -1.163771
       tas
4
               ssp245
                       r1i1p1f1 CanESM5
                                           1854 -1.302066
       tas
```



- Critically, these time series are *global average temperature anomaly from 1995-2014* average.
- Note that Hector outputs are in terms of anomaly from pre-industrial average, so Hector outputs will need a shift before being used as targets for stitching.
- Any time series of global average temperature anomalies can be used as a target. However, the data frame containing this time series must be structured as above: a variable column containing entries of 'tas', year and value columns containing the data, and experiment, ensemble, model columns with identifying information of the source of this target data.
- The actual entries in the experiment, ensemble, model columns are only used for generating identifying strings for generated ensemble members.
- In this demonstration, we will specifically be targeting ensemble member 1 of the CanESM5 SSP245 simulations. The entire SSP245 ensemble may be jointly targeted

```
by omitting the line target_data =
target_data[target_data["ensemble"].isin(['r1i1p1f1'])].copy()
```

#### Decide on the archive data

- Limit the archive matching data to the model we are trying to emulate, CanESM5 in this case.
- In this example, we treat SSP245 as a novel scenario rather than one run by the ESM and available, so we exclude it from the archive data.
- The internal package data called matching\_archive contains the temperature results for all the ESMs-Scenarios-ensemble members that are available for stitches to use in its matching process. In this file monthly, tas output has been processed to compute annual global mean temperature anomaly and the temperature change over each window that the trajectory is subdivided into. By default stitches uses a 9-year window.
- stitches actually provides two files in its pacakge data.
- matching\_archive.csv can be considered the default (for now). Starting in 1850, nine year windows are sliced forward and don't overlap.
- The final window ends up beginning in 2093, and is only 8 years long to terminate in 2100 (7 years if the ESM ends in 2099).
- When an 8 year archive window gets matched to a 9 year target window, stitches repeats the final archive window year to get to 9 years.
- For ESMs that end in 2099, the 2093-2099 seven-year window must be omitted
- That means that we lose some of the most interesting differences between scenarios.
- Therefore, stitches includes matching\_archive\_staggered.csv as package data as well. The difference is that this file does every possible full 9-year chunk, not just slicing sequentially from the starting point.
- We have to do a little more pre-processing for the archive data, but it offers more flexibility and robustness.
- The stitches\_quickstart notebook that ships with the package uses the default matching\_archive.csv and is generally a shorter version of this tutorial.

```
# read in the package data of all ESMs-Scenarios-ensemble members avail.
data_directory = pkg_resources.resource_filename('stitches', "data")
path = os.path.join(data_directory, 'matching_archive_staggered.csv')
data = pd.read_csv(path)
```

### Extra preprocessing for matching\_archive\_staggered.csv

Let's start from the final ESM year, 2100 for CanESM5, and prioritize getting that as a full 9 year window. Short windows can be on the front end.

• if the final year for an ESM is 2099, you'd just do end\_yr\_vector = end\_yr\_vector-1 to shift everything up a year.

```
staggered_archive = data.copy()
end yr vector = [1857, 1866, 1875, 1884, 1893,
                 1902, 1911, 1920, 1929, 1938, 1947,
                 1956, 1965, 1974, 1983, 1992, 2001,
                 2010, 2019, 2028, 2037, 2046, 2055,
                 2064, 2073, 2082, 2091, 2100]
tmp = staggered_archive.loc[(data["experiment"].isin(['ssp126', 'ssp370',
'ssp585']))
                       & (data["model"] == "CanESM5")].copy()
archive data = stitches.fx processing.subset archive(staggered archive = tmp,
                              end yr vector = end yr vector)
print(archive data)
     experiment variable
                            model
                                    ensemble
                                              start yr
                                                         end yr
                                                                 year \
                     tas CanESM5 r10i1p1f1
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3
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               0.004692
4
     -1.219588 0.003027
. . .
2020 3.250968 0.080163
2021 4.020579 0.088755
2022 4.731989
                0.076436
2023 5.508628
                0.089533
2024 6.249420 0.058199
```

#### [2025 rows x 9 columns]

The staggered archive ONLY has 9 year windows, no short windows. So no window from 1850-1857 exists to get pulled for that end\_yr. The historical period is so consistent, there are plenty of other full sized (9year) windows that have similar properties and can make for a good match, so we aren't really losing anything by not having archive points representing 1850-1857. If we really want, we can go ahead and have an 1850-1858 window in the archive by just replacing 1857 with 1858 in the above. There will be one year (1858) in common between that new window and the one ending in 1866 but that's not an amount of similarity that would lead to unrealistic behavior like if we used all of the entries in the staggered archive.

#### And that would look like:

```
end_yr2 = [1858, 1866, 1875, 1884, 1893,
           1902, 1911, 1920, 1929, 1938, 1947,
           1956, 1965, 1974, 1983, 1992, 2001,
           2010, 2019, 2028, 2037, 2046, 2055,
           2064, 2073, 2082, 2091, 2100]
archive_data = stitches.fx_processing.subset_archive(staggered_archive = tmp,
                               end yr vector =
end_yr2).sort_values(by=['experiment', 'ensemble', 'end_yr'])
print(archive_data)
     experiment variable
                                     ensemble
                                               start_yr
                             model
                                                          end yr
                                                                  year
0
                                    r10i1p1f1
                                                    1850
                                                            1858
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         ssp126
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                                    r10i1p1f1
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                0.010931
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     -1.205325 -0.012385
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                0.080163
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                0.088755
2097
      4.731989
                0.076436
2098 5.508628
                0.089533
2099 6.249420 0.058199
```

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[2100 rows x 9 columns]
```

This is what we will go ahead and use for our archive data.

- There is one year of data (1858) that gets shared between two archive windows.
- Therefore it is possible to get a year of data repeated in the stitched outputs.
- This is no worse than the default archive, and possibly better to have it happen in the period before the SSPs really diverge.
- In general, you don't want many shared years between archive windows, or unrealistic behavior can occur.

### **Target data pre-processing**

- We had decided to target SSP245 realization 1 to emulate
- Our archive is set up with 9 year chunks, and we prioritized having a full 9 year window ending in 2100 and working backward for that data.
- We can do the same thing for our target data.
- The target data doesn't necessarily have to have the same length as the archive trajectory.
- It does benefit, however, from being a multiple of 9 long, although having an 8 year window in the target is fine as well.
- Shorter windows in the target are also fine from the perspective of the method, we just haven't coded it cleanly yet.

Regardless, the first step of pre-processing any target data is to smooth it.

The default chunking, starting with 1850 and cutting every 9 years after that. This results in the final window only being 8 years. That is fine, a target window that is only 1 year short is not a problem.

```
target data1 = stitches.fx processing.get chunk info(
   stitches.fx processing.chunk ts(df = target data, n=9)).copy()
print(target_data1)
   ensemble variable experiment
                                   model start yr end yr
                                                           vear
                                                                       fx
\
   r1i1p1f1
                                CanESM5
                                             1850
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                                                           1854 -1.272611
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                                                           1863 -1.250102
   r1i1p1f1
                                                     1876 1872 -1.243684
2
                 tas
                         ssp245 CanESM5
                                             1868
   r1i1p1f1
                         ssp245 CanESM5
                                             1877
                                                     1885 1881 -1.204998
                 tas
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4	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1886	1894	1890	-1.197851
5	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1895	1903	1899	-1.213103
6	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1904	1912	1908	-1.170853
7	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1913	1921	1917	-1.145708
8	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1922	1930	1926	-1.086683
9	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1931	1939	1935	-1.012161
10	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1940	1948	1944	-0.986856
11	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1949	1957	1953	-0.953562
12	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1958	1966	1962	-0.937034
13	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1967	1975	1971	-0.867323
14	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1976	1984	1980	-0.736610
15	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1985	1993	1989	-0.481056
16	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1994	2002	1998	-0.239006
17	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2003	2011	2007	0.064410
18	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2012	2020	2016	0.456957
19	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2021	2029	2025	0.831730
20	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2030	2038	2034	1.189269
21	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2039	2047	2043	1.515511
22	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2048	2056	2052	1.855482
23	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2057	2065	2061	2.160776
24	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2066	2074	2070	2.443211
25	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2075	2083	2079	2.659419
26	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2084	2092	2088	2.842125
27	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2093	2100	2097	2.956517

#### dx

- 0.004091
- 1 0.003794
- 2 0.000281
- 3 0.004243
- 4 -0.001675
- 5 0.001456
- 6 0.004645
- 0.003106 7
- 8 0.005930
- 9 0.007817
- 10 0.004842
- 11 -0.000143
- 12 0.005436
- 13 0.014498 14 0.019400
- 15 0.026402
- 16 0.032784
- 17 0.042232 18 0.037038
- 19 0.041484
- 20 0.039982
- 21 0.037994
- 22 0.034255
- 23 0.032611

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24 0.030718
25 0.024061
26 0.011227
27 0.014718
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For consistency with how we set up the archive, however, we will have the target window ending in 2100 be a complete 9 years and work back.

You can use the base\_chunk=8 argument to do that. The previous call starting in 1850 and cutting every 9 years aftere that uses the default base\_chunk=0. base\_chunk=8 means the target starts in 1850+8 = 1858 and cuts every 9 years after that, ending in 2100.

If the ESM data ends in 2099 and you wanted the target window ending in 2099 to be a complete 9 year window, you'd use base\_chunk=7. It's a little clunky and we could certainly make it more interpretable/flexible, but it's not too bad to figure out for now hopefully.

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\	ensemble	variable	experiment	model	start_yr	end_yr	year	fx
ò	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1858	1866	1862	-1.254450
1	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1867	1875	1871	-1.242954
2	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1876	1884	1880	-1.214581
3	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1885	1893	1889	-1.195424
4	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1894	1902	1898	-1.200969
5	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1903	1911	1907	-1.172773
6	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1912	1920	1916	-1.145221
7	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1921	1929	1925	-1.091947
8	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1930	1938	1934	-1.022043
9	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1939	1947	1943	-0.994382
10	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1948	1956	1952	-0.955606
11	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1957	1965	1961	-0.945947
12	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1966	1974	1970	-0.879419
13	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1975	1983	1979	-0.761327
14	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1984	1992	1988	-0.506838
15	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1993	2001	1997	-0.268266
16	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2002	2010	2006	0.030355
17	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2011	2019	2015	0.420281
18	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2020	2028	2024	0.791804
19	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2029	2037	2033	1.149695
20	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2038	2046	2042	1.481969
21	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2047	2055	2051	1.819203
22	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2056	2064	2060	2.127866
23	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2065	2073	2069	2.402196
24	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2074	2082	2078	2.636278
25	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2083	2091	2087	2.832238
26	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2092	2100	2096	2.937192

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dx
   0.003499
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   0.000194
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4
   0.000351
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   0.002159
6
7
   0.005531
   0.008648
9
   0.003807
10 0.001086
11
   0.006385
12 0.013736
13 0.016582
14 0.028356
15 0.032369
16 0.038950
17 0.037003
18 0.041818
19 0.039828
20 0.036774
21 0.034212
22 0.033031
23 0.030943
24 0.023368
25 0.012831
26 0.014289
```

if you really don't want to sacrifice the 1850-1857 years in the stitched outputs, you can get kind of clunky and play around with the chunk\_ts arguments to get an 1850-1857 chunk and just append that to the target data

```
short_target_window = stitches.fx_processing.get_chunk_info(
    stitches.fx_processing.chunk_ts(df = target_data, n=8,
                                   base chunk=0)).copy()
short target window = short target window[short target window['end yr'] ==
1857].copy()
print(short_target_window)
   ensemble variable experiment
                                  model
                                          start yr
                                                   end yr year
0 r1i1p1f1
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                        ssp245 CanESM5
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```

target\_data3 = pd.concat([short\_target\_window,
target\_data2]).reset\_index(drop=True).copy()
print(target\_data3)

	ensemble	variable	experiment	model	start_yr	end_yr	year	fx
\								
0	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1850	1857	1854	-1.272611
1	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1858	1866	1862	-1.254450
2	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1867	1875	1871	-1.242954
3	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1876	1884	1880	-1.214581
4	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1885	1893	1889	-1.195424
5	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1894	1902	1898	-1.200969
6	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1903	1911	1907	-1.172773
7	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1912	1920	1916	-1.145221
8	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1921	1929	1925	-1.091947
9	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1930	1938	1934	-1.022043
10	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1939	1947	1943	-0.994382
11	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1948	1956	1952	-0.955606
12	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1957	1965	1961	-0.945947
13	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1966	1974	1970	-0.879419
14	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1975	1983	1979	-0.761327
15	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1984	1992	1988	-0.506838
16	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	1993	2001	1997	-0.268266
17	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2002	2010	2006	0.030355
18	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2011	2019	2015	0.420281
19	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2020	2028	2024	0.791804
20	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2029	2037	2033	1.149695
21	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2038	2046	2042	1.481969
22	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2047	2055	2051	1.819203
23	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2056	2064	2060	2.127866
24	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2065	2073	2069	2.402196
25	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2074	2082	2078	2.636278
26	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2083	2091	2087	2.832238
27	r1i1p1f1	tas	ssp245	CanESM5	2092	2100	2096	2.937192

dx 0 0.004680

1 0.003499

2 0.000194

3 0.004563

4 -0.001245

5 0.000351

6 0.004305

7 0.002159

8 0.005531

9 0.008648

10 0.003807

11 0.00108612 0.006385

13 0.013736

```
14 0.016582
```

- 15 0.028356
- 16 0.032369
- 17 0.038950
- 18 0.037003
- 19 0.041818
- 20 0.039828
- 21 0.036774
- 22 0.034212
- 23 0.033031
- 24 0.030943
- 25 0.023368
- 26 0.012831
- 27 0.014289

#### **Emulate**

- now that you are empowered to process almost any data into an archive and a target, we can emulate.
- This occurs with two functions:
- stitches.make\_recipe() does the matching between a target and archive, and gives the pointers to all of the pangeo-hosted netcdf files of data.
- stitches.gmat\_stitching() or stitches.gridded\_stitching() then stitch either global average temperature anomaly trajectories or gridded, multivariate netcdfs from those recipes.

## Matching and making the recipe.

The arguments for making recipes are relatively simple. You specify the target data, the archive data, how many matches you want to try to make for each realization of the target data, and whether you want your results to be reproducible.

Two other optional variables include

- non\_tas\_variables which variables in addition to tas do you think you want to have gridded results for? The default is to only provide tas recipes.
- res do you want to stitch monthly ('mon') or daily ('day') gridded results? The default is to monthly as daily files are very large to work with and create.

Within make recipe, two steps are happening:

- 1. matching identifying possible archive window matches for each target window
- 2. permuting random combinations of those potential matches are drawn to create stitched time series. These draws control for 'envelope collapse', where the same

archive window gets used in the same place for many generated ensemble members.

The remaining argument, tol specifies the matching tolerance - for each target window, how far out away in the archive are we willing to look for similar points?

- stitches prioritizes providing a nearest neighbor match, which dictates how it currently uses tol
- tol=0.0 corresponds to providing the nearest neighbor match.
- Each target window gets its own, custom nearest neighbor match that is some distance away, dist\_nn.
- For each target window, we center a circular matching neighborhood on the target point. In a radius of dist\_nn, we know the nearest neighbor is the only available point by definition.
- Therefore, we expand the matching neighborhood for each target point to search for matches up to a distance of dist\_nn + tol away.
- So if target window A has a nearest neighbor 0.1degC away, and tol=0.01, then a circle centered on A with radius 0.11degC contains all possible matches. If target window B has a nearest neighbor 0.05degC away, then its matching neighborhood is a circle centered on B with a radius of 0.06degC.
- We do this because when doing random draws of all possible combinations of collapse-free ensembles from a set of potential matches, formatting the matching in this way turns finding a cutoff tolerance value for each ESM into a min-max problem that's a little easier to calculate.
- In the paper, we provide z\_cutoff values that are 'safe' maximum tolerances to use for every ESM examined. We will be adding more ESMs in the future.

```
# the nearest neighbor recipes
nn recipes = stitches.make recipe(target data = target data3,
                                 archive data=archive data,
                                 tol=0.0,
                                 N matches=4,
                                 reproducible=True)
print(nn_recipes.head())
You have requested more recipes than possible for at least one target
trajectories, returning what can
The following target windows have a nearest neighbor in T, dT space
that is more than 0.25degC away. This may or may not result in poor
matches and we recommend validation.
 target variable target experiment target ensemble target model \
                            ssp245
                                     r1i1p1f1
             tas
                                                    CanESM5
```

```
0
                             2091
                                                  2.832238
                                                             0.012831
              2083
                                           2087
                       ... archive model archive ensemble archive start yr \
  archive experiment
0
              ssp370
                                 CanESM5
                                                r17i1p1f1
                                                                       2056
   archive end yr archive year archive fx archive dx
                                                           dist dx
                                                                      dist fx
\
0
             2064
                                                0.045724 0.263149 0.016521
                           2060
                                    2.815717
    dist 12
  0.263667
[1 rows x 21 columns]
  target start yr target end yr archive experiment archive variable \
0
             1850
                                         historical
                           1857
                                                                  tas
1
             1858
                           1866
                                         historical
                                                                  tas
2
             1867
                           1875
                                         historical
                                                                  tas
3
             1876
                           1884
                                         historical
                                                                  tas
4
             1885
                           1893
                                         historical
                                                                  tas
  archive model archive ensemble
                                        stitching id archive start yr \
        CanESM5
                       r16i1p1f1
                                  ssp245~r1i1p1f1~1
0
                                                                  1885
1
        CanESM5
                        r3i1p1f1
                                  ssp245~r1i1p1f1~1
                                                                  1858
2
        CanESM5
                       r19i1p1f1
                                  ssp245~r1i1p1f1~1
                                                                  1858
3
                        r1i1p1f1
                                  ssp245~r1i1p1f1~1
        CanESM5
                                                                  1867
4
        CanESM5
                       r17i1p1f1
                                  ssp245~r1i1p1f1~1
                                                                  1903
  archive_end_yr
                                                            tas file
                  gs://cmip6/CMIP6/CMIP/CCCma/CanESM5/historical...
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            1892
                  gs://cmip6/CMIP6/CMIP/CCCma/CanESM5/historical...
1
            1866
                  gs://cmip6/CMIP6/CMIP/CCCma/CanESM5/historical...
2
            1866
3
                  gs://cmip6/CMIP6/CMIP/CCCma/CanESM5/historical...
            1875
4
                  gs://cmip6/CMIP6/CMIP/CCCma/CanESM5/historical...
            1911
```

target fx target dx \

target start yr target end yr target year

Depending on the version of stitches being used, you might get a print statement saying

The following target windows have a nearest neighbor in T, dT space that is more than 0.25degC away. This may or may not result in poor matches and we recommend validation.

This is a flat check we are implementing on our development branch - if any the nearest neighbor matches for any target window are more than 0.25degC away, then this statement is printed with the target window's details.

This does not necessarily mean anything is wrong and this flag can be printed in runs that have been validated extremely well.

lit just means that the target trajectory may not be similar enough for the selected archive of data points, and validation is warranted. stitches is a constructive method and generally any generated ensemble should be validated against the training data. This is why we pre-calculate the tolerance cutoff values for each ESM in the ESD paper, to save effort validating future generated ensembles.

```
# additional recipes
my_recipes = stitches.make_recipe(target data = target data3,
                                 archive data=archive data,
                                 tol=0.05,
                                 res='mon',
                                  non_tas_variables=['pr'],
                                 N matches=4,
                                 reproducible=True)
print(my recipes.head())
print('----')
# you can take a look at one of the actual file addresses to get a sense of
# what the Pangeo file addresses look like.:
print(my_recipes['pr_file'].iloc[0])
You have requested more recipes than possible for at least one target
trajectories, returning what can
 target start yr target end yr archive experiment archive variable
0
                          1857
                                       historical
            1850
                                                               tas
1
            1858
                          1866
                                       historical
                                                               tas
2
                          1875
                                       historical
            1867
                                                               tas
3
            1876
                          1884
                                       historical
                                                               tas
4
                                       historical
            1885
                          1893
                                                               tas
 archive_model archive_ensemble
                                      stitching_id archive_start_yr \
       CanESM5
                       r5i1p1f1 ssp245~r1i1p1f1~1
                                                               1912
0
                                 ssp245~r1i1p1f1~1
1
       CanESM5
                      r22i1p1f1
                                                               1921
2
       CanESM5
                      r12i1p1f1 ssp245~r1i1p1f1~1
                                                               1921
3
       CanESM5
                       r7i1p1f1 ssp245~r1i1p1f1~1
                                                               1858
4
        CanESM5
                       r2i1p1f1 ssp245~r1i1p1f1~1
                                                               1912
 archive_end_yr
                                                          tas_file \
                 gs://cmip6/CMIP6/CMIP/CCCma/CanESM5/historical...
0
           1919
1
           1929
                 gs://cmip6/CMIP6/CMIP/CCCma/CanESM5/historical...
2
                 gs://cmip6/CMIP6/CMIP/CCCma/CanESM5/historical...
           1929
3
                 gs://cmip6/CMIP6/CMIP/CCCma/CanESM5/historical...
           1866
                 gs://cmip6/CMIP6/CMIP/CCCma/CanESM5/historical...
4
           1920
                                            pr file
0 gs://cmip6/CMIP6/CMIP/CCCma/CanESM5/historical...
  gs://cmip6/CMIP6/CMIP/CCCma/CanESM5/historical...
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2 gs://cmip6/CMIP6/CMIP/CCCma/CanESM5/historical...
  gs://cmip6/CMIP6/CMIP/CCCma/CanESM5/historical...
  gs://cmip6/CMIP6/CMIP/CCCma/CanESM5/historical...
```

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```
gs://cmip6/CMIP6/CMIP/CCCma/CanESM5/historical/r5i1p1f1/Amon/pr/gn/v20190429/
```

If you wanted to include sea level pressure in addition to precipitation, you would use non\_tas\_variables=['pr', 'psl'].

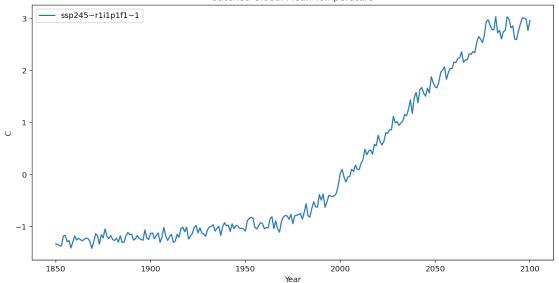
### stitching and plotting

#### **Nearest neighbor result**

Stitch the global average temperature for the nearest neighbor result, and see it in the context of the actual ESM data that was not used in the archive at all.

```
stitched global temp = stitches.gmat stitching(nn recipes)
nearest neighbor stitched realization
groups = stitched_global_temp.groupby('stitching_id')
for name, group in groups:
    plt.plot(group.year, group.value, label = name)
plt.xlabel("Year")
plt.ylabel("C")
plt.title("Stitched Global Mean Temperature")
plt.legend()
plt.show()
plt.close()
# Load the comparison GSAT data
data_directory = pkg_resources.resource_filename("stitches", "data")
data_path = os.path.join(data_directory, "tas-data", "CanESM5_tas.csv")
comp data = pd.read csv(data path)
comp_data = comp_data.loc[comp_data["experiment"] == "ssp245"]
```

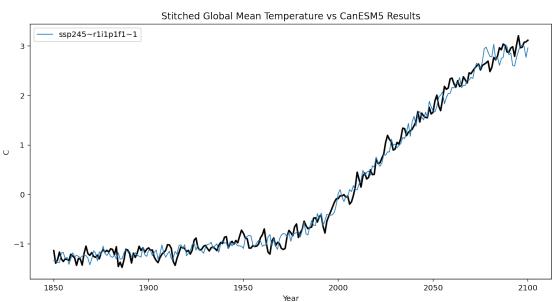




### stitched realization and the target ensemble member

```
groups = comp_data.groupby('ensemble')
for name, group in groups:
    if(group.ensemble.unique() == 'r1i1p1f1'):
        plt.plot(group.year, group.value, color = "black", linewidth = 2.0)
# The stitched realizations:
groups = stitched_global_temp.groupby('stitching_id')
for name, group in groups:
    plt.plot(group.year, group.value, linewidth= 1.0, label = name)

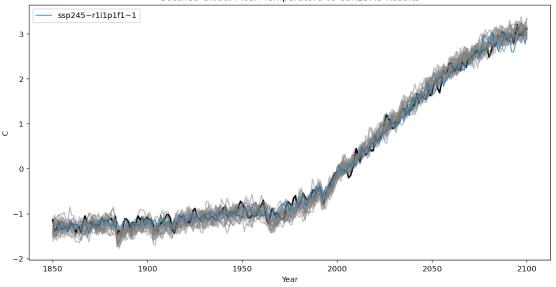
plt.legend()
plt.xlabel("Year")
plt.ylabel("C")
plt.title("Stitched Global Mean Temperature vs CanESM5 Results")
plt.show()
plt.close()
```



#### stitched realization and the entire scenario ensemble

```
# full ensemble of actual ESM runs:
groups = comp_data.groupby('ensemble')
for name, group in groups:
    if(group.ensemble.unique() == 'r1i1p1f1'):
        plt.plot(group.year, group.value, color = "black", linewidth = 2.0)
    else:
        plt.plot(group.year, group.value, color = "0.5", alpha=0.5)
# The stitched realizations:
groups = stitched_global_temp.groupby('stitching_id')
for name, group in groups:
    plt.plot(group.year, group.value, linewidth= 1.0, label = name)
plt.legend()
plt.xlabel("Year")
plt.ylabel("C")
plt.title("Stitched Global Mean Temperature vs CanESM5 Results")
plt.show()
plt.close()
```





# gridded stitching of the non-NN recipes

This is a little slow, but it will create the netcdfs according to our stitched recipes that we can load in and work with.

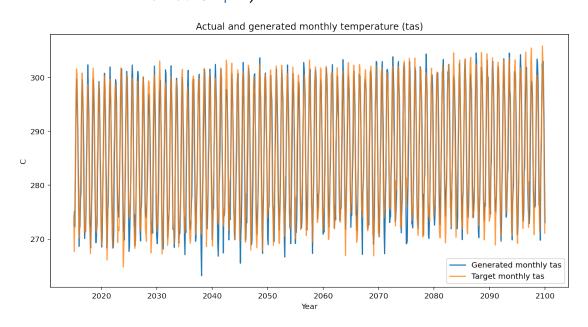
```
stitches.gridded_stitching(out_dir='.', rp=my_recipes)
['Stitching gridded netcdf for: CanESM5 tas ssp245~r1i1p1f1~1']
['Stitching gridded netcdf for: CanESM5 tas ssp245~r1i1p1f1~2']
['Stitching gridded netcdf for: CanESM5 tas ssp245~r1i1p1f1~3']
['./stitched_CanESM5_tas_ssp245~r1i1p1f1~3.nc',
    './stitched_CanESM5_pr_ssp245~r1i1p1f1~3.nc']
```

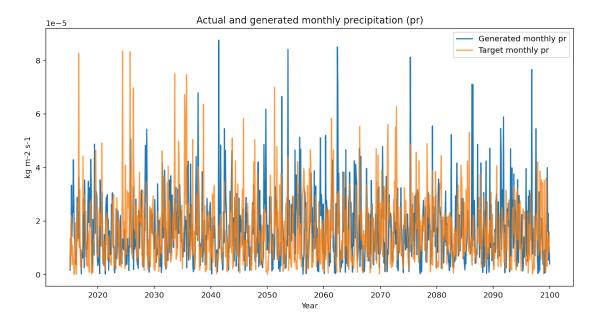
now you have created multiple gridded, monthly tas and pr files that are statistically consistent with the target: SSP245 realization 1.

```
import xarray as xr
gen_tas = xr.open_dataset('stitched CanESM5 tas ssp245~r1i1p1f1~1.nc')
gen tas
<xarray.Dataset>
             (time: 3012, lat: 64, lon: 128)
Dimensions:
Coordinates:
  * time
             (time) datetime64[ns] 1850-01-31 1850-02-28 ... 2100-12-31
  * lat
             (lat) float64 -87.86 -85.1 -82.31 -79.53 ... 79.53 82.31 85.1
87.86
             (lon) float64 0.0 2.812 5.625 8.438 ... 348.8 351.6 354.4 357.2
  * lon
Data variables:
             (time, lat, lon) float32 ...
    tas
```

```
gen pr = xr.open dataset('stitched CanESM5 pr ssp245~r1i1p1f1~1.nc')
gen pr
<xarray.Dataset>
Dimensions: (time: 3012, lat: 64, lon: 128)
Coordinates:
  * time
             (time) datetime64[ns] 1850-01-31 1850-02-28 ... 2100-12-31
  * lat
             (lat) float64 -87.86 -85.1 -82.31 -79.53 ... 79.53 82.31 85.1
87.86
  * lon
             (lon) float64 0.0 2.812 5.625 8.438 ... 348.8 351.6 354.4 357.2
Data variables:
             (time, lat, lon) float32 ...
    pr
Pull comparison netcdfs
# Fetch the actual data directly from pangeo
data directory = pkg resources.resource filename("stitches", "data")
pangeo_path = os.path.join(data_directory, "pangeo_table.csv")
pangeo data = pd.read csv(pangeo path)
pangeo_data = pangeo_data.loc[(pangeo_data['variable'].isin(['tas', 'pr']))
                              & (pangeo data['domain'].str.contains('mon'))
                              & (pangeo_data['experiment'].isin(['ssp245']))
                              & (pangeo_data['ensemble'].isin(['r1i1p1f1']))
(pangeo_data['model'].isin(['CanESM5']))].copy()
# Load the target tas netcdf files
tas address = pangeo data.loc[pangeo data['variable']== 'tas'].zstore.copy()
tar_tas = stitches.fetch_nc(tas_address.values[0])
# load the target pr netcdf files
pr_address = pangeo_data.loc[pangeo_data['variable']== 'pr'].zstore.copy()
tar pr = stitches.fetch nc(pr address.values[0])
Visualize
Select a grid cell and plot the generated and target tas, pr data for first-cut comparison
# define a helper function
def plot comparison(generated data,
                    target data,
                    variable,
                    alpha=0.8):
    """Plot comparision between target variable time series and generated
data"""
```

```
if variable.casefold() == "pr":
        variable name = "precipitation"
        units = "kg m-2 s-1"
    else:
        variable name = "temperature"
        units = "C"
    # temperature (tas)
    plt.plot(generated data.time,
             generated data[variable],
             label=f"Generated monthly {variable}")
    with warnings.catch_warnings():
        warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")
        plt.plot(target_data.indexes['time'].to_datetimeindex(),
                 target_data[variable],
                 alpha=alpha,
                 label = f"Target monthly {variable}")
    plt.legend()
    plt.xlabel("Year")
    plt.ylabel(units)
    plt.title(f"Actual and generated monthly {variable_name} ({variable})")
    plt.show()
    plt.close()
# lon and lat values for a grid cell near the Joint Global Change Research
Institute in College Park, MD, USA
cp lat = 38.9897
cp_lon = 180 + 76.9378
# lat and lon coordinates closest
abslat = np.abs(gen tas.lat - cp lat)
abslon = np.abs(gen tas.lon-cp lon)
c = np.maximum(abslon, abslat)
([lon loc], [lat loc]) = np.where(c == np.min(c))
lon_grid = gen_tas.lon[lon_loc]
lat_grid = gen_tas.lat[lat_loc]
cp_tas_gen = gen_tas.sel(lon=lon_grid,
                         lat=lat grid,
                         time=slice('2015-01-01', '2099-12-31')).copy()
cp_tas_tar = tar_tas.sel(lon=lon_grid,
                         lat=lat grid,
                         time=slice('2015-01-01', '2099-12-31')).copy()
```





Visual validation of the complex spatial, temporal, and cross-variable relationships present in ESM outputs is not possible. We extensively validate that the method reproduces ESM internal variability in the ESD paper, but this visual plotting at least suggests that nothing is obviously wrong. In particular, there are no obvious artifacts occurring every 9-years in the generated time series.

In other words, it's not inconceivable from these plots that the orange time series were sampled from the same underlying multivariate distribution that generated the blue time series.

# **Draws of collapse-free generated ensembles**

As mentioned above, we restrict the generated ensembles of recipes so that they do not undergo envelope collapse.

Multiple stochastic draws of such ensembles can, however, be made by turning off the reproducible argument. If these draws of well-behaved ensembles were concatenated into a 'super' ensemble, there WOULD be envelope collapse.

```
# stitch tgav
stitched global temp draw1 = stitches.gmat stitching(draw1 recipes)
stitched_global_temp_draw2 = stitches.gmat_stitching(draw2_recipes)
You have requested more recipes than possible for at least one target
trajectories, returning what can
You have requested more recipes than possible for at least one target
trajectories, returning what can
plot the two well behaved ensembles
groups = stitched_global_temp_draw1.groupby('stitching_id')
for name, group in groups:
    plt.plot(group.year, group.value, label = name)
plt.xlabel("Year")
plt.ylabel("C")
plt.title("Stitched Global Mean Temperature, Draw 1")
plt.legend()
plt.show()
plt.close()
groups = stitched_global_temp_draw2.groupby('stitching_id')
```

plt.plot(group.year, group.value, label = name)

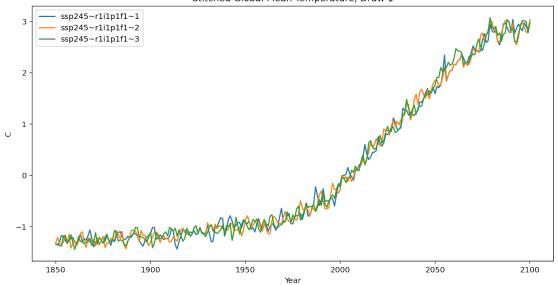
plt.title("Stitched Global Mean Temperature, draw 2")

for name, group in groups:

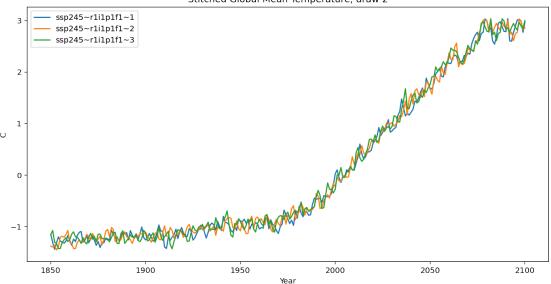
plt.xlabel("Year")
plt.ylabel("C")

plt.legend()
plt.show()
plt.close()





#### Stitched Global Mean Temperature, draw 2



## concatenate to a super-ensemble and plot

```
#update the stitching ids to reflect draws
stitched_global_temp_draw1['stitching_id'] =
stitched_global_temp_draw1['stitching_id'] + '~draw1'
stitched_global_temp_draw2['stitching_id'] =
stitched_global_temp_draw2['stitching_id'] + '~draw2'

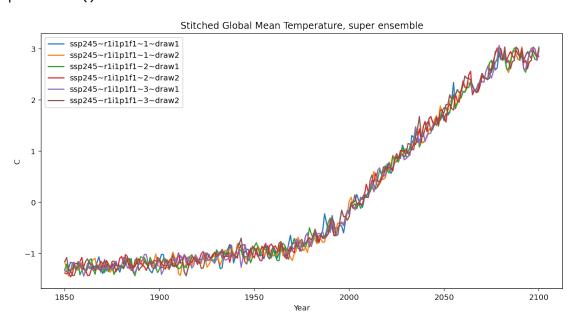
# concatenate
super_ensemble = pd.concat([stitched_global_temp_draw1, stitched_global_temp_draw2]).reset_index(drop=True)
```

#### # plot

```
groups = super_ensemble.groupby('stitching_id')

for name, group in groups:
    plt.plot(group.year, group.value, label = name)

plt.xlabel("Year")
plt.ylabel("C")
plt.title("Stitched Global Mean Temperature, super ensemble")
plt.legend()
plt.show()
plt.close()
```



Again, around 2075, you can really see that there are not 6 distinct curves, and the same trajectory is being followed for multiple ensemble members.

## **Bonus example**

When discussing pre-processing the archive data above, we emphasized not wanting years of ESM data to be included in multiple archive windows.

Here, we will use the entire staggered archive, so every year appears in 9 total archive windows. We will just look at the global average temperatures for expediency,

```
# make recipes
bad recipes = stitches.make recipe(target data = target data3,
                                       archive_data=full_staggered_archive,
                                       tol=0.06,
                                       N_matches=25,
                                       reproducible=True)
# stitch tgav
stitched_global_temp = stitches.gmat_stitching(bad_recipes)
You have requested more recipes than possible for at least one target
trajectories, returning what can
# plot
groups = stitched global temp.groupby('stitching id')
for name, group in groups:
    plt.plot(group.year, group.value, label = name)
plt.xlabel("Year")
plt.ylabel("C")
plt.title("Stitched Global Mean Temperature")
plt.legend()
plt.show()
plt.close()
                              Stitched Global Mean Temperature
                                             ssp245~r1i1p1f1~1
        ssp245~r1i1p1f1~10
        ssp245~r1i1p1f1~11
        ssp245~r1i1p1f1~12
        ssp245~r1i1p1f1~13
        ssp245~r1i1p1f1~14
        ssp245~r1i1p1f1~15
        ssp245~r1i1p1f1~16
        ssp245~r1i1p1f1~17
        ssp245~r1i1p1f1~2
        ssp245~r1i1p1f1~3
        ssp245~r1i1p1f1~4
        ssp245~r1i1p1f1~5
        ssp245~r1i1p1f1~6
        ssp245~r1i1p1f1~7
```

It's not necessarily easy to see, but if you look closely around 1975, you can see several blue and purple curves that are obviously the same archive window offset from each other by a year or two. While this 'wave' is NOT envelope collapse, it's also not especially realistic. Having years only occur in 1-2 archive windows helps prevent this from happening.

2000

2050

2100

1950

ssp245~r1i1p1f1~8 ssp245~r1i1p1f1~9

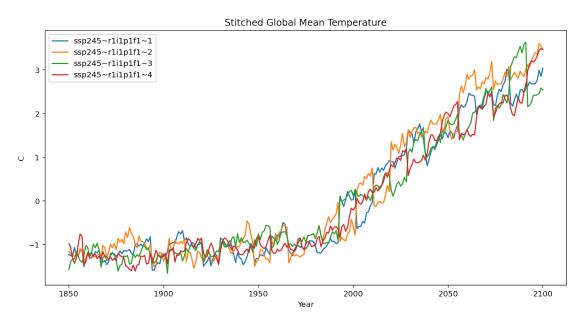
1900

1850

### Bonus 2!

What does a fully 'bad' match look like? We can go far past the cutoff tolerance values provided in the paper to see

```
bad recipes2 = stitches.make recipe(target data = target data3,
                                  archive_data=archive_data,
                                  tol=0.5,
                                  N matches=4,
                                  reproducible=True)
# stitch tgav
stitched global temp = stitches.gmat stitching(bad recipes2)
# plot
groups = stitched_global_temp.groupby('stitching_id')
for name, group in groups:
    plt.plot(group.year, group.value, label = name)
plt.xlabel("Year")
plt.ylabel("C")
plt.title("Stitched Global Mean Temperature")
plt.legend()
plt.show()
plt.close()
```



These curves (especially the red curve) are clearly rapidly switching between archive scenarios as they sort of follow the target scenario's mean, rather than matching the target scenario well.

The validation in the ESD paper and tolerance cutoff estimates intentionally controls to avoid this.