

climpred

weather and climate prediction in python

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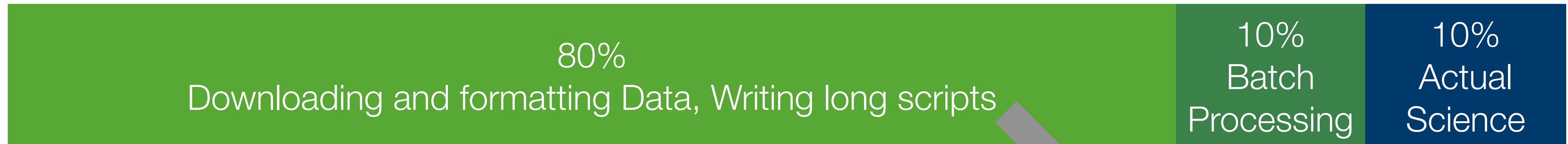
Try climpred now live: https://github.com/aaronspring/climpred_egu22_demo

What impacts the velocity of science?

Data, Software and Computation

- Data: time to find, access, clean & format for analysis
- Software: easily available and combinable
- Computation: access and resources

Traditional Analysis Workflow



Pangeo Analysis Workflow



climpred

We believe forecast verification should be:

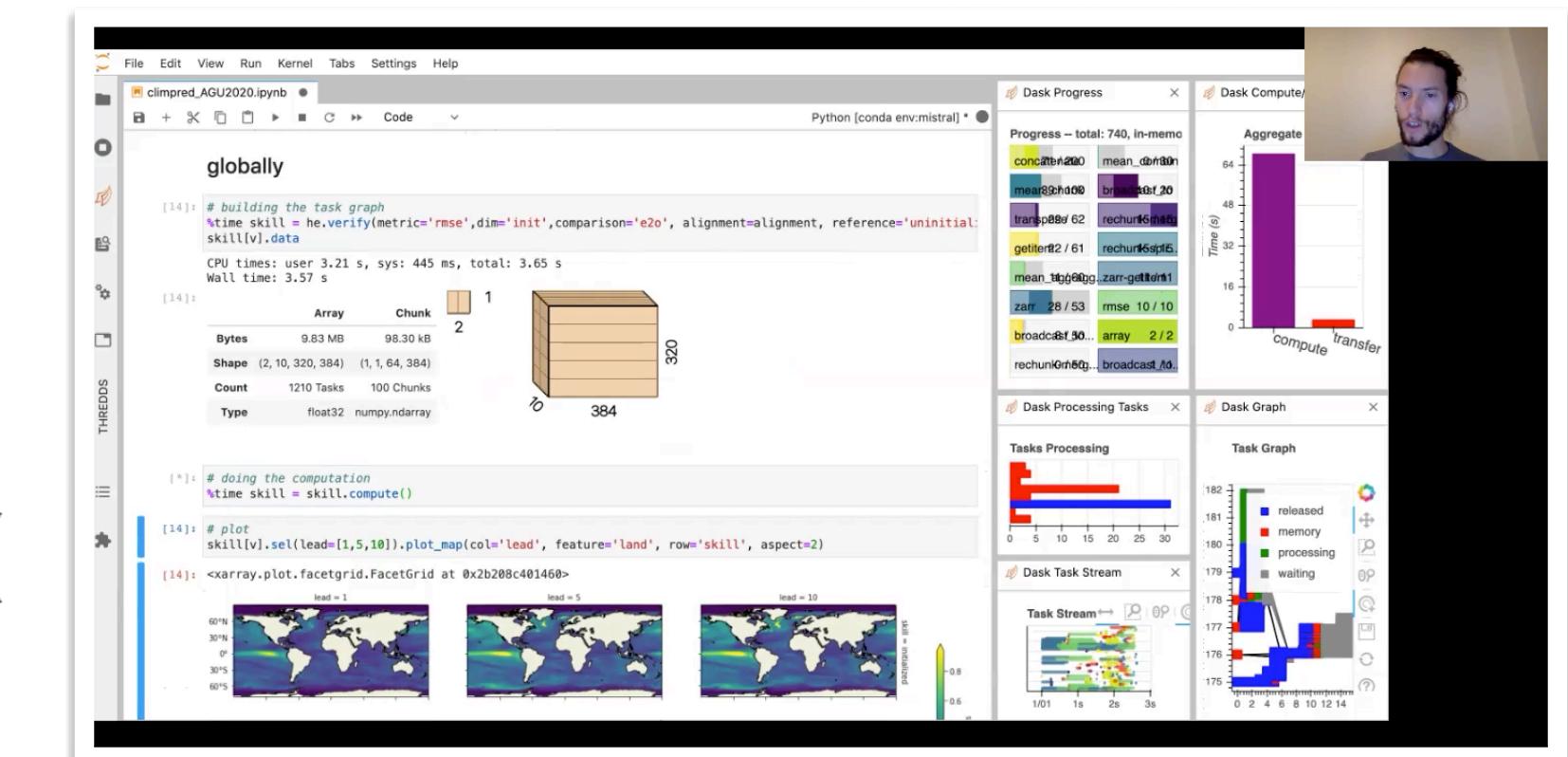
- ▶ interactive
- ▶ standardised
- ▶ reproducible
- ▶ simple to use

PredictionEnsemble.verify()

```
# Score forecast using the Anomaly Correlation Coefficient.  
metric='acc',  
# Compare the ensemble mean to observations.  
comparison='e2o',  
# Keep the same set of initializations at each lead time.  
alignment='same_inits',  
# Reduce the verification over the initialization dimension.  
dim='init',  
# Score performance of a persistence forecast as well.  
reference='persistence',  
)
```

What to not worry about

- ▶ metadata and time alignment: solved by
- ▶ parallelisation and batch processing: solved by

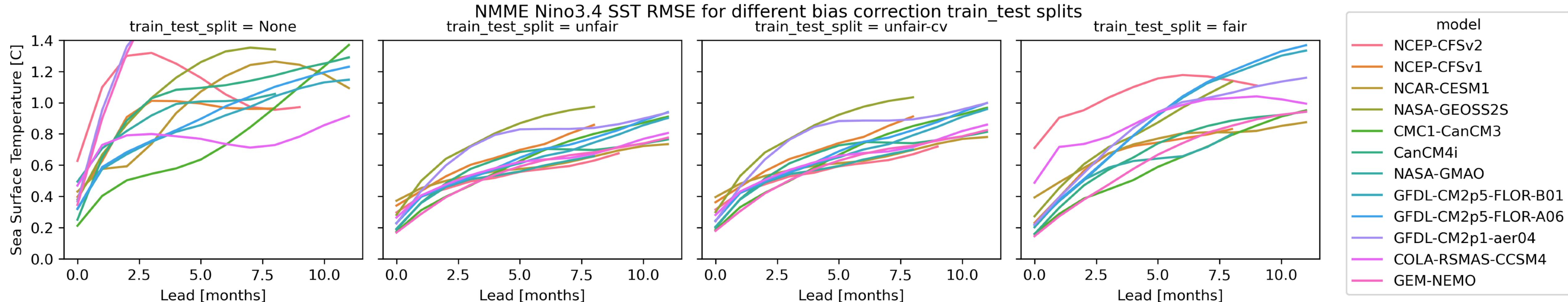


climpred API table

- ▶ `HindcastEnsemble.verify()` and `HindcastEnsemble.bootstrap()`
 - ▶ `metric`: rmse, acc, roc, rank_histogram, reliability, crps, ...
 - ▶ `comparison`: e2o: ensemble mean against observations, m2o: member against observations
 - ▶ `dim`: dimension over which apply metric: init, member
 - ▶ `alignment`: which forecasts and verification to match: same_inits, same_verifs, maximize
 - ▶ `reference`: add reference forecast skill persistence, climatology, uninitialized
- ▶ `HindcastEnsemble.remove_bias()`
 - ▶ `how`: method: additive_mean, gamma_mapping, EmpiricalQuantileMapping, ...
 - ▶ See `verify()`
 - ▶ `train_test_split`: which inits to use for training bias correction: unfair, unfair-cv, fair

Demo: Nino 3.4 NMME Hindcast vs. NOAA OISST Verification

- ▶ Bias correction `train_test_split` following Risbey et al. (2021). Standard assessments of climate forecast skill can be misleading. *Nature Comm.*:
 - ▶ none: no bias correction
 - ▶ unfair: train bias correction on same `inits` as verification
 - ▶ unfair-cv: as unfair but leave out given init
 - ▶ fair: train on different `inits` than used for `verify()`
- Information of future verification data used in bias correction!
X Not possible for real-time forecasts X



Demo: Data: Nino 3.4 NMME vs. NOAA OISST Verification

```
import climpred  
  
initialized = climpred.tutorial.load_dataset("NMME_hindcast_Nino34_sst")  
obs = climpred.tutorial.load_dataset("NMME_OIv2_Nino34_sst")  
  
hindcast = climpred.HindcastEnsemble(initialized).add_observations(obs)  
hindcast
```

climpred.HindcastEnsemble

Initialized

► Dimensions: (member: 24, lead: 12, init: 499, model: 12)

▼ Coordinates:

member	(member)	float32 1.0 2.0 3.0 4.0 ... 22.0 23.0 24.0	CSV	JSON
lead	(lead)	float64 0.0 1.0 2.0 3.0 ... 9.0 10.0 11.0	CSV	JSON
init	(init)	object 1980-01-01 00:00:00 ... 2021-07-...	CSV	JSON
model	(model)	object 'NCEP-CFSv2' ... 'GEM-NEMO'	CSV	JSON
valid_time	(lead, init)	object 1980-01-01 00:00:00 ... 2022-06-...	CSV	JSON

▼ Data variables:

sst	(model, init, lead, member)	float64 nan nan nan nan ... nan nan nan nan	CSV	JSON
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► Attributes: (3)

Observations

► Dimensions: (time: 470)

▼ Coordinates:

time	(time)	object 1981-11-01 00:00:00 ... 2020-12-...	CSV	JSON
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▼ Data variables:

sst	(time)	float64 26.06 26.26 26.72 ... 25.34 25.53	CSV	JSON
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► Attributes: (3)

Here postprocessed to download or your data

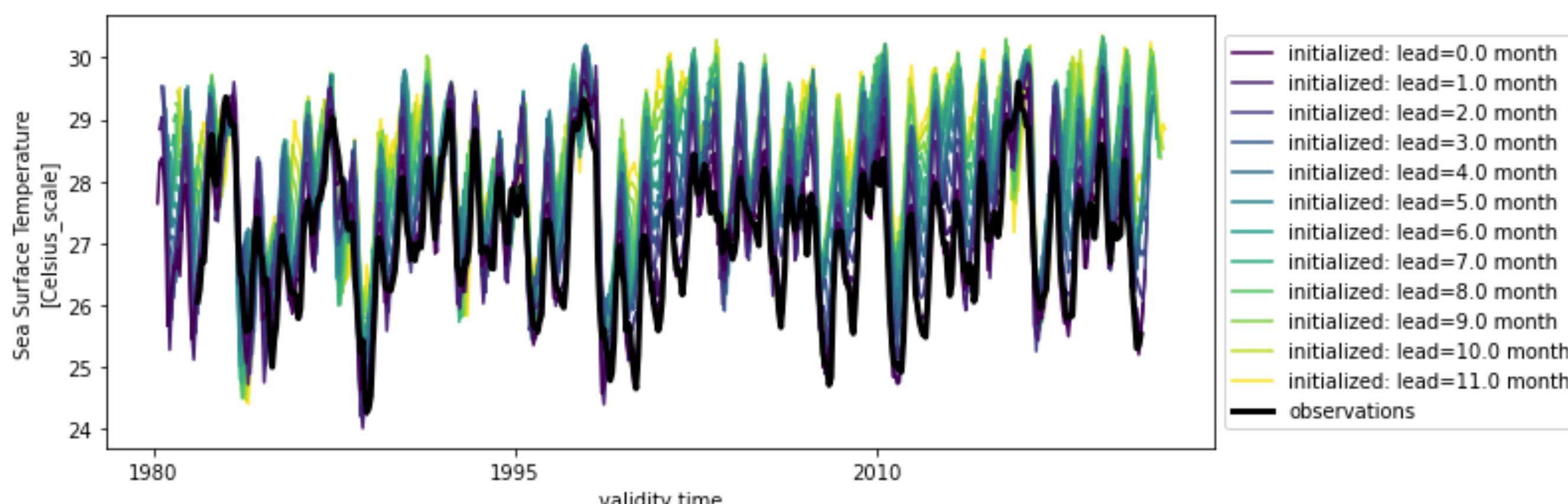
- NMME: North American Multi-Model Ensemble
- OISST: NOAA Optimum Interpolation (OI) Sea Surface Temperature
- Nino34: SST area averaged 5N-5S;170W-120W

xr.Datasets with metadata

Easily plotting:
time = init + lead

```
hindcast.sel(model="GFDL-CM2p5-FLOR-A06").plot()
```

```
<AxesSubplot:xlabel='validity time', ylabel='Sea Surface Temperature\n[Celsius_scale]'>
```



Demo: verify() for lead-time dependent bias

```
bias = hindcast.verify(metric="additive_bias", comparison="e2o", dim=[], alignment="same_verifs")  
bias
```

xarray.Dataset

► Dimensions: (init: 481, lead: 12, model: 12)

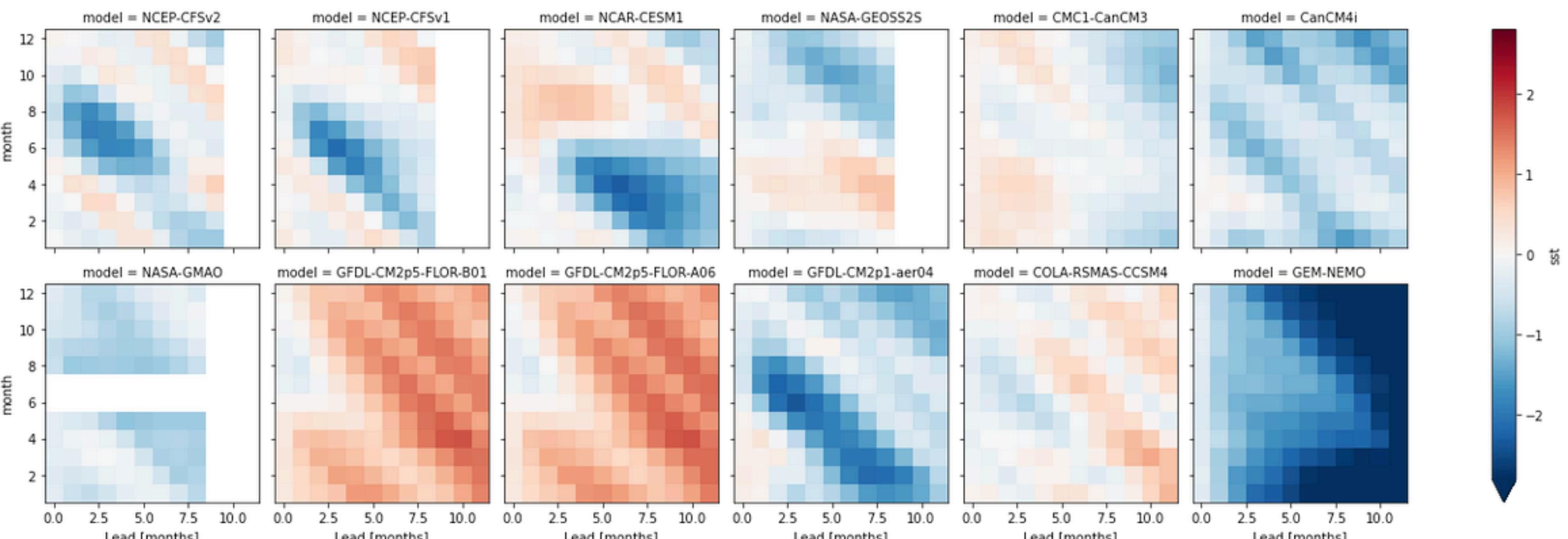
▼ Coordinates:

init	(init)	object 1980-12-01 00:00:00 ... 2020-12-...	
lead	(lead)	float64 0.0 1.0 2.0 3.0 ... 9.0 10.0 11.0	
model	(model)	object 'NCEP-CFSv2' ... 'GEM-NEMO'	
valid_time	(lead, init)	object nan nan nan nan ... nan nan nan nan	
skill	()	<U11 'initialized'	

▼ Data variables:

sst	(lead, model, init)	float64 nan nan nan n
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```
bias.groupby("init.month").mean()["sst"].plot(col="model", col_wrap=6, robust=True)
```

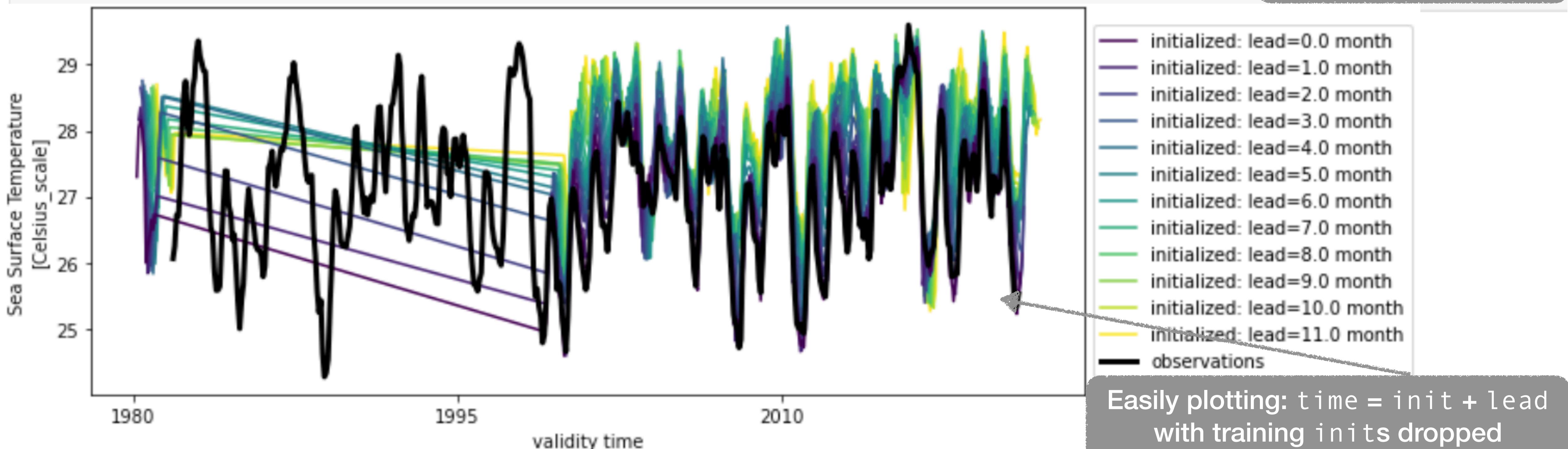


Demo: lead time-dependent bias removal

```
# fair calculates bias for train_time/train_init and drops these indices from hindcast
hindcast.remove_bias(
    how="additive_mean",
    alignment=metric_kwargs["alignment"],
    train_test_split="fair",
    train_time=slice("1982", "1998"),
).sel(model="GFDL-CM2p5-FL0R-A06").plot()
```

remove mean bias while separating train and test data

multi-dimensional: on all models at once



Demo: Calculate skill for different train_test_split strategies

```
metric_kwargs = dict(metric="rmse", alignment="same_verifs", dim="init", comparison="e2o", skipna=True) ← verify() API

train_test_split = ["unfair", "unfair-cv", "fair"] # different train_test_split methods to compare
verify_init = slice("1999", None)
skill_train_test_split = [hindcast.sel(init=verify_init).verify(**metric_kwargs)] ← First bias removal, then skill
skill_train_test_split.append(
    hindcast.remove_bias(
        how="additive_mean",
        alignment=metric_kwargs["alignment"],
        train_test_split="unfair",
    ).sel(init=verify_init).verify(**metric_kwargs)
) ← use same inits for bias as for verify()
skill_train_test_split.append(
    hindcast.remove_bias(
        how="additive_mean",
        alignment=metric_kwargs["alignment"],
        train_test_split="unfair-cv",
        cv="L00", # leave-one-out
    ).sel(init=verify_init).verify(**metric_kwargs)
) ← as above, but leave out given init
skill_train_test_split.append(
    hindcast.remove_bias(
        how="additive_mean",
        alignment=metric_kwargs["alignment"],
        train_test_split="fair",
        train_time=slice("1982", "1998")
    ).sel(init=verify_init).verify(**metric_kwargs)
) ← use different inits for bias correction than for verify()

skill_train_test_split = xr.concat(skill_train_test_split, "train_test_split")[v].assign_coords(train_test_split=["None"] + train_test_split) ← xr.DataArray.plot()
```

skill_train_test_split.plot(hue="model", col="train_test_split", x="lead")
plt.ylim([0, 1.4])
plt.suptitle(f"NMME Nino3.4 {metric_kwargs['metric'].upper()} for different train_test_split", y=1.0)

Sea Surface Temperature [C]

Lead [months]

train_test_split = None

train_test_split = unfair

train_test_split = unfair-cv

train_test_split = fair

Lead [months]

Sea Surface Temperature [C]

Lead [months]

Lead [months]

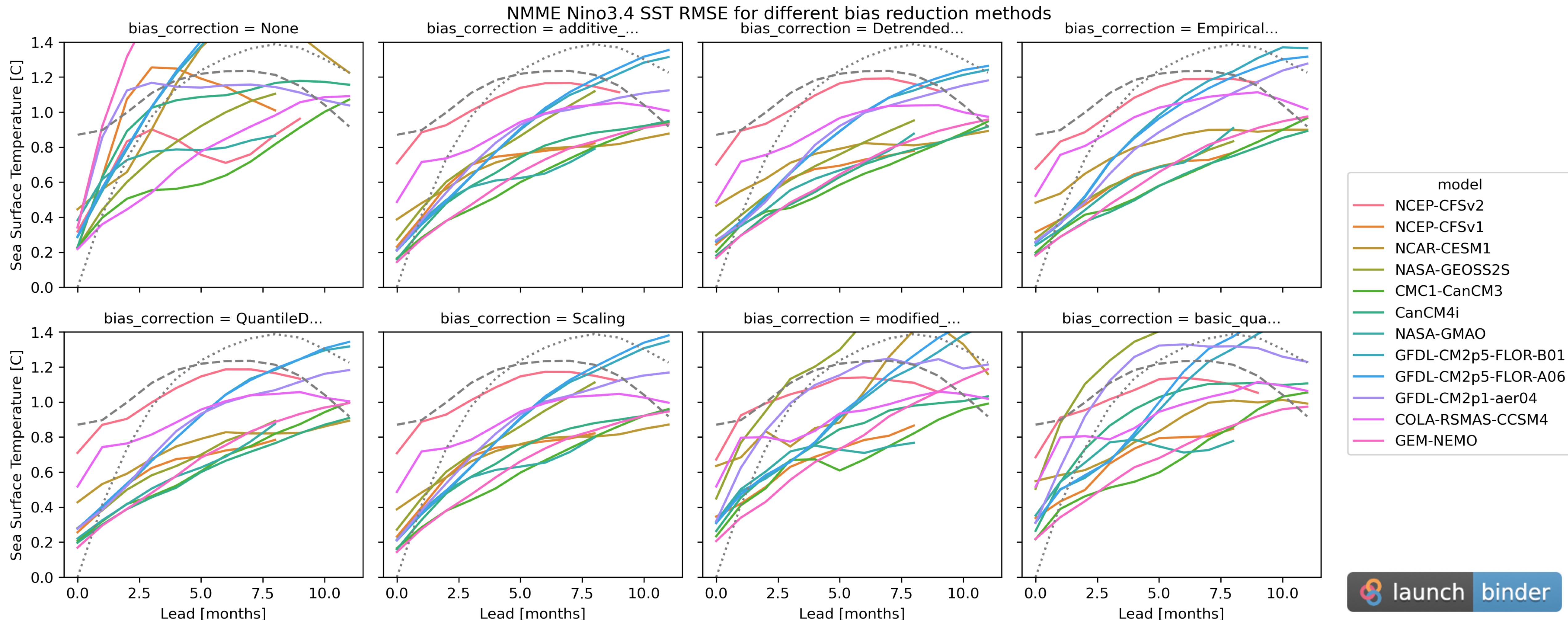
Lead [months]

model

- NCEP-CFSv2
- NCEP-CFSv1
- NCAR-CESM1
- NASA-GEOSS2S
- CMC1-CanCM3
- CanCM4i
- NASA-GMAO
- GFDL-CM2p5-FLOR-B01
- GFDL-CM2p5-FLOR-A06
- GFDL-CM2p1-aer04
- COLA-RSMAS-CCSM4
- GEM-NEMO

Demo II: Hindcast data NMME Nino 3.4 vs. Verification NOAA OISST

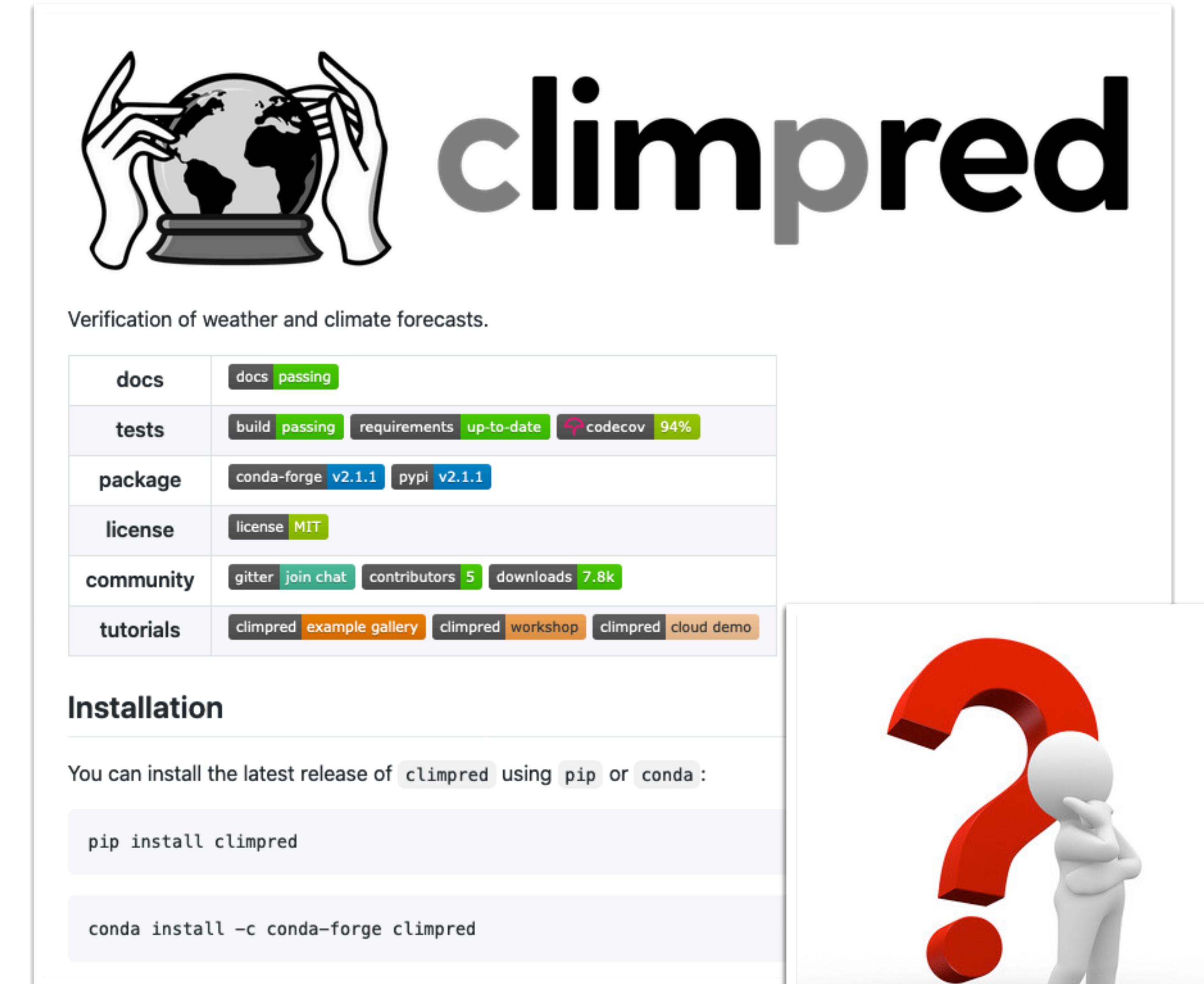
- ▶ Bias correction trained during init 1982-1998, verification for remaining inits
- ▶ +/- 2 month predictable signal depending on bias correction with fair splits



climpred is open-source.

If you waited for long to switch from NCL to python, climpred might be what you have been waiting for.

- ▶ Call for switching to python: The xarray community is awesome.
- ▶ Call for new users and developers
 - NWP (lead minutes to hours)
 - S2S (lead days to weeks)
 - S2D (lead months to decades)
- ▶ Call for feedback.
- ▶ Call for new contributors.



The screenshot shows the GitHub profile for the `climpred` repository. It features a logo of hands holding a globe, the project name "climpred" in large letters, and a subtitle "Verification of weather and climate forecasts". Below this is a table with links to documentation, tests, package details, license, community, and tutorials. The "docs" row shows "docs passing". The "tests" row shows "build passing", "requirements up-to-date", and a codecov badge at 94%. The "package" row shows "conda-forge v2.1.1" and "pypi v2.1.1". The "license" row shows "license MIT". The "community" row shows "gitter join chat", "contributors 5", and "downloads 7.8k". The "tutorials" row shows links to "climpred example gallery", "climpred workshop", and "climpred cloud demo".

Installation

You can install the latest release of `climpred` using `pip` or `conda`:

```
pip install climpred
```

```
conda install -c conda-forge climpred
```



Documentation: <https://climpred.readthedocs.io/en/latest/>
Github repository: <https://github.com/pangeo-data/climpred>

Backup slides

The alignment keyword in verify() and bootstrap()

The user can simply change the alignment strategy by passing in the keyword `alignment=....`

`HindcastEnsemble.plot_alignment()` shows `valid_time` dates that are verified against observations.

```
hindcast.plot_alignment(edgecolor="w")
```

```
<xarray.plot.facetgrid.FacetGrid at 0x148fc5c10>
```

