- 1. Using *identifying\_heatwaves.py*, identify periods of heatwaves (>6 days) (Fischer and Schär, 2010)
  - a. Isolate the max daily temperatures from the existing dataset
  - b. Identify 90<sup>th</sup> percentile from these max daily temps
  - c. Subset data into summer months only
  - d. Find periods of time exceeding 90th percentile for more than 6 days
  - e. Return statement of the periods of heatwaves
- 2. Remove the years with heatwaves in data using *remove heatwaves.py* 
  - a. Change variables for 'exclude\_years' and 'heatwave\_periods' to reflect heatwave periods found from Step 1
  - b. Subset data into summer months
  - c. Calculate the median temperature for each hour of the summer period
  - d. Get a median temperature profile
  - e. Identify the best median summer day to replace forcing data for heatwave periods using mean squared error analysis
  - f. Hold onto variable for best day
  - g. Replace heatwave days in original dataset with the median temperature profile
  - h. Replace forcing datasets with forcing data of identified best day
  - i. Return new dataset with no heatwaves
- 3. Run temp anomaly.py to get a dataset of temperature anomalies of heatwaves
  - a. Change 'heatwave periods' variable to match heatwave periods from Step 1
  - b. Subset data into summer months
  - c. Find median temperature for each hour of the summer period
  - d. Filter data for heatwaves period you want to use for synthetic heatwaves
    - i. 'start date'
    - ii. 'end date'
  - e. Create a mask for this time
  - f. Filter out temperatures from this time and calculate the temperature anomaly for the heatwave period
  - g. Return csv file containing heatwave temperature anomalies
- 4. Play around with synthetic heatwaves using synthetic heatwaves.py
  - a. Choose your desired synthetic heatwave period and change the variable 'heatwave\_period' to match it
    - i. You can change the duration of the desired synthetic heatwave here too
      - 1. Synthetic heatwave duration must be:
      - 0 < x < original heatwave duration
  - b. Use the original real heatwave period you used in Step 3d to modify the 'original\_heatwave\_period' variable
  - c. Calculate offset between original and new heatwave period
  - d. Create mask for new heatwave period in dataset
  - e. Extract subset of data for new heatwave
  - f. Adjust temperature anomalies to new heatwave period
  - g. Set desired magnitude (1 = original temperature anomaly) of synthetic heatwave
  - h. Add temperature anomalies to the subset data at chosen new heatwave period
  - i. Update dataset with modified values
  - j. Return modified data set as .nc file