4. Verification of 2 metre temperature (2mt) ensemble seasonal forecasts  
  
Data files: t2m-ecmwf-JJA-1959-2001.txt, t2m-mf-JJA-1959-2001.txt and  
t2m-ukmo-JJA-1959-2001.txt. These files contain 1-month lead 2 metre temperature (2mt) forecasts produced in May and valid for JJA for the period 1959-2001 (i.e. 43-years of forecasts) for a grid point in central Pacific (latitude 0o, longitude 140oW) for three coupled seasonal forecast models which were included in the DEMETER project (ECMWF, Meteo-France, and UK Met Office) (2000-2003). More information on the project is available on the ecmwf.int website.  
  
The structure of the data files is as follows:  
1st column: year  
2nd column: observed 2mt in JJA (from ERA-40 reanalysis)  
3rd to 11th column: forecast JJA 2mt (ensemble member 1 to 9)

Data setup: Just the ability to read the data – ascii text format, no header row.