



# Supervised neural network for data assimilation on atmospheric general circulation model

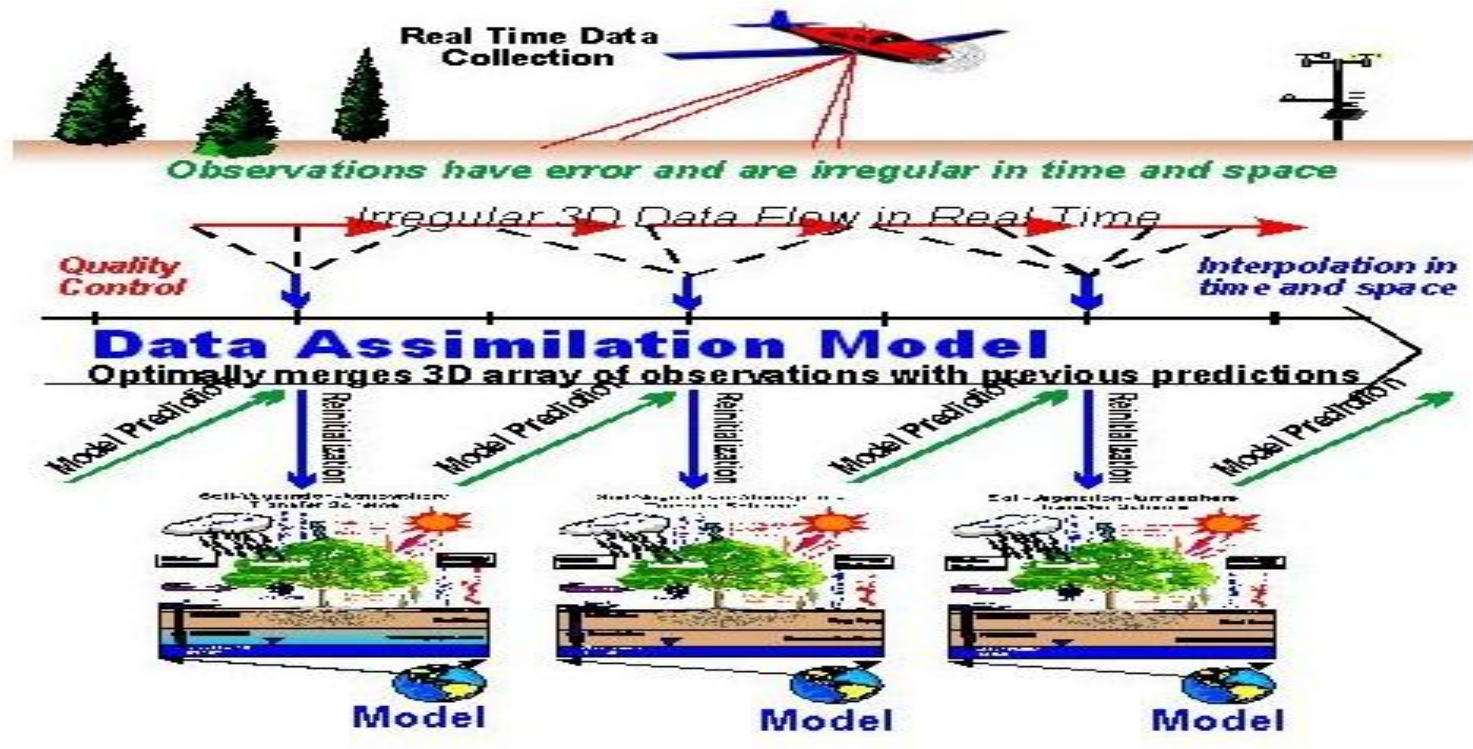
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DA  
cycle



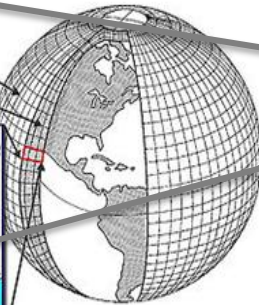
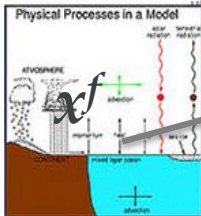
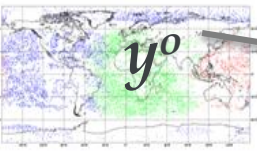
Nowadays: challenge for DA with use the exponential growth of the number of observations available + high resolution models. The weather predictions need to be ready to deal with this scenario.



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## Data Assimilation

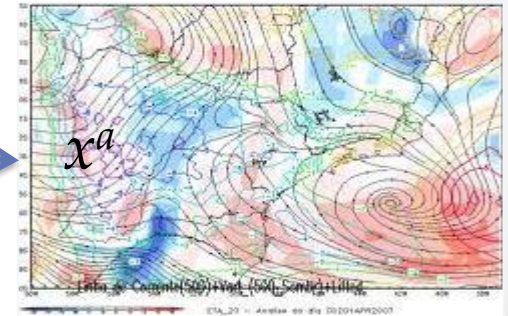
Observations



General Circulation  
Model forecast

**DATA ASSIILATION  
METHODS**

global analysis

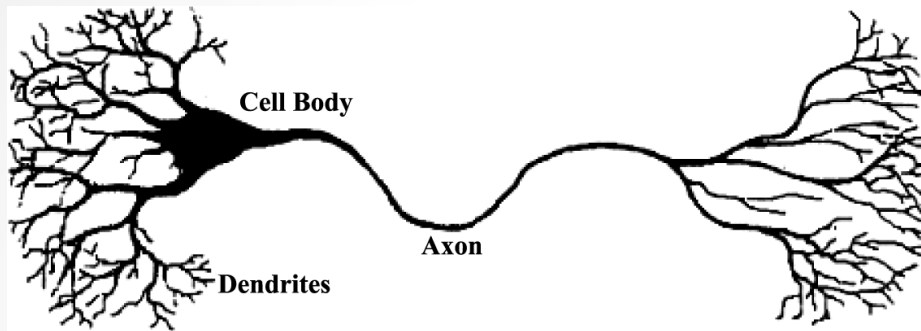


$$x^a = f_{NN} [y^o, x^f]$$



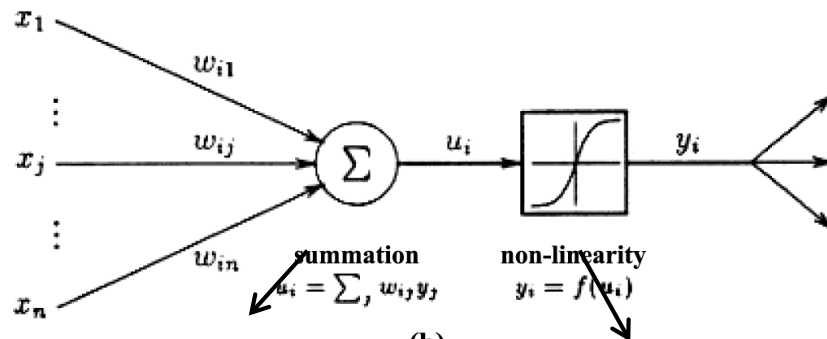


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Biological neuron

(a)



Artificial neuron

(b)

$$u_i = \sum_j w_{ij} x_j + b_j \quad y_i = f(u_i)$$

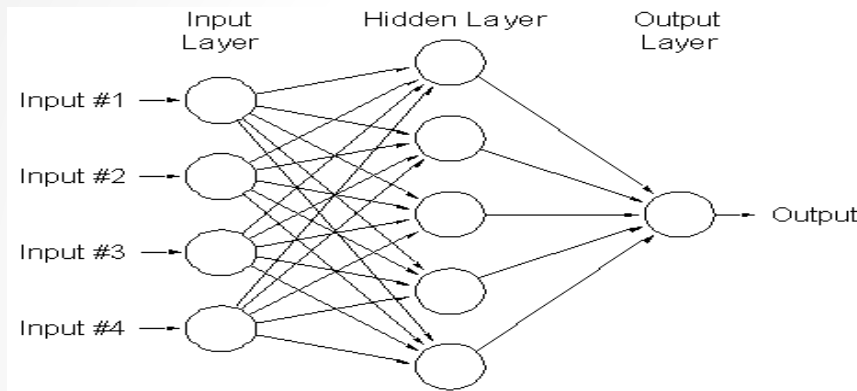
Some artificial neurons interconnected based on a topology, make an Artificial Neural Network



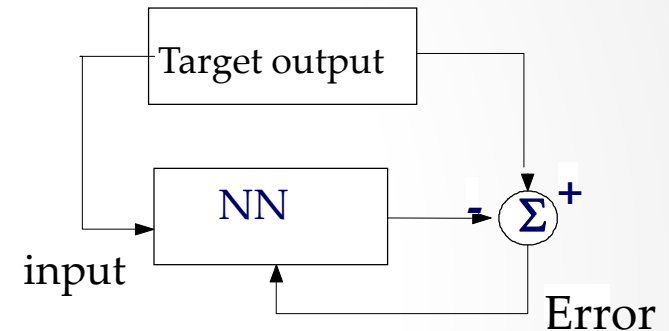
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*Forward activities* →

## Multilayer Perceptron (MLP)



← *backward error*



Supervised training

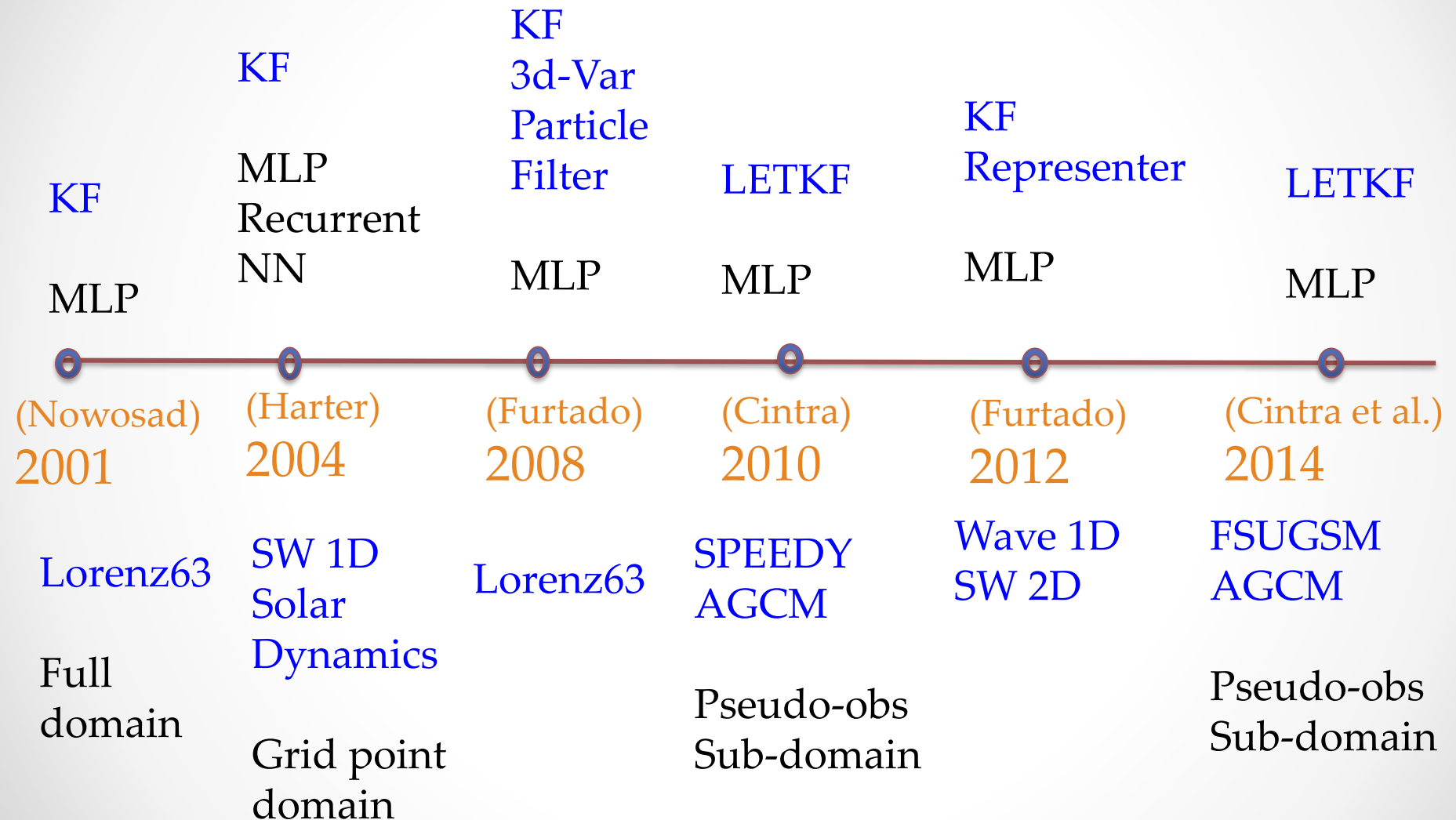
**Backpropagation** is algorithm used for NN training, e.g. the adjustments to the weights are conducted by back propagating of the error.

**Training:** an iterative process for adjusting the weights establishing the mapping of input and target vector pairs (supervisor)

**Activation:** for which NN receives new inputs and calculates the corresponding outputs, once it is trained.



## The ANN Data assimilation Research:





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### Development with the supervised ANN for Data Assimilation:

**Important:** full domain to grid point: implying into a dramatic reduction of algorithm complexity (Harter, 2004)

**Pseudo-observation** concept vs. correlation matrix (Cintra, 2010)

Introduce the “influence of observation” = A radius of influence around a grid point (without obs) is considered: weighted average projected on the grid point

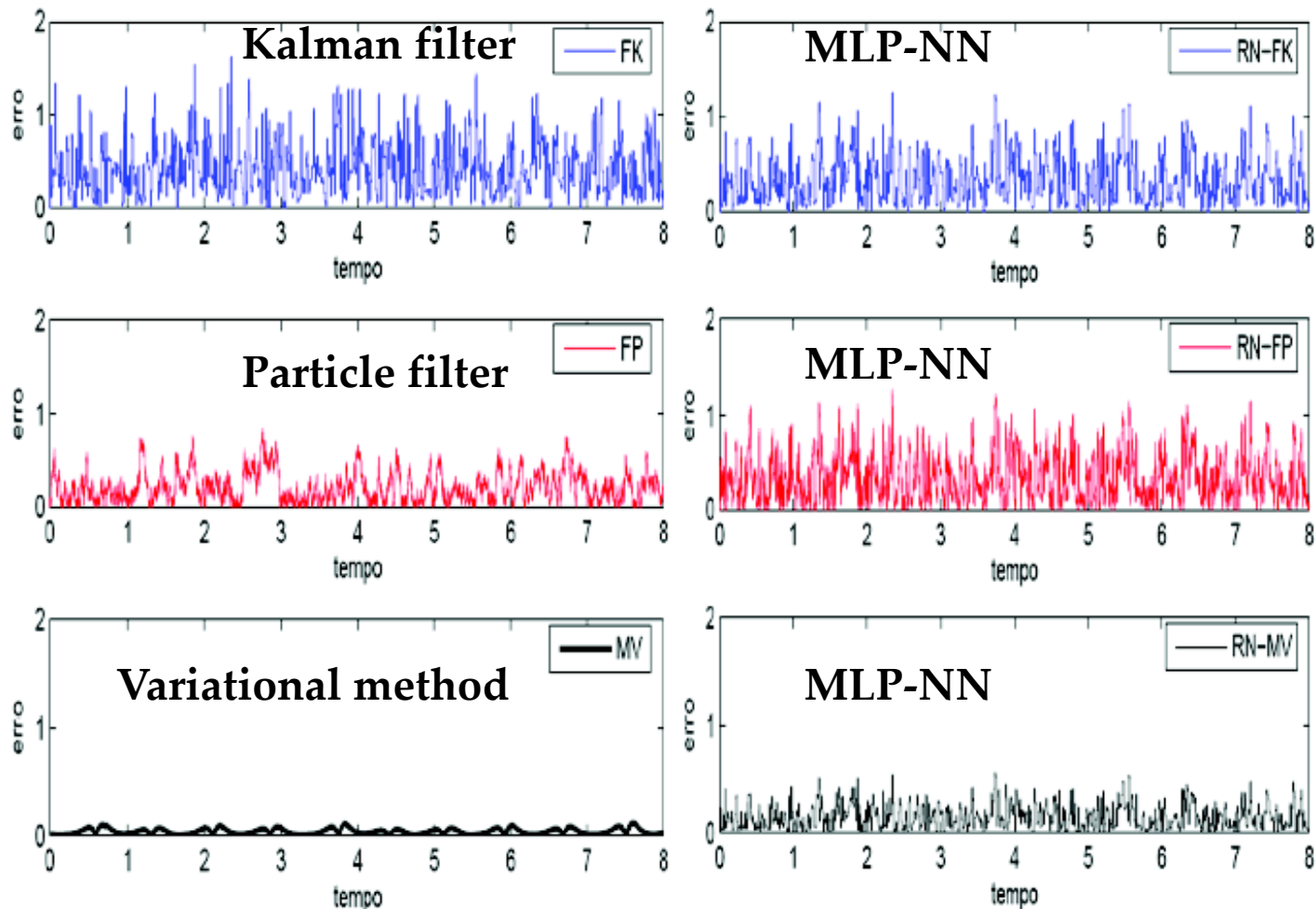
**Sub-domains** (regions for global) = different ANN

**Configure supervised ANN** automatically with a optimization tool (Anochi et al, 2015)



## The ANN Data assimilation Research:

Error evolution (Lorenz system under chaotic regime):







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Forward model ( $x^f$ ):

**SPEED** model

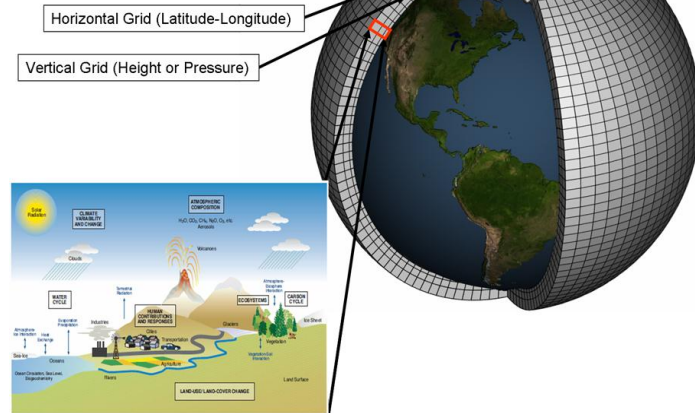
Atmospheric general  
circulation model

3D spectral model T30L7

simplified parameterization

LETKF DA (UMD)

## Schematic for Global Atmospheric Model



Vertical coordinates:  $\sigma = p_s/p$ .

Horizontal coordinates: (lat , lon) on a regular grid

The spectral model: T30 horizontal resolution and 7 vertical levels

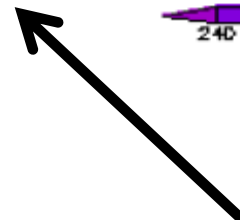
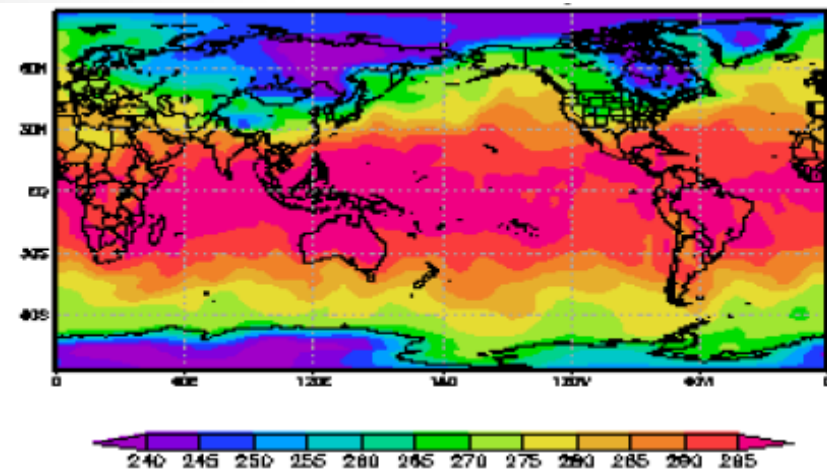
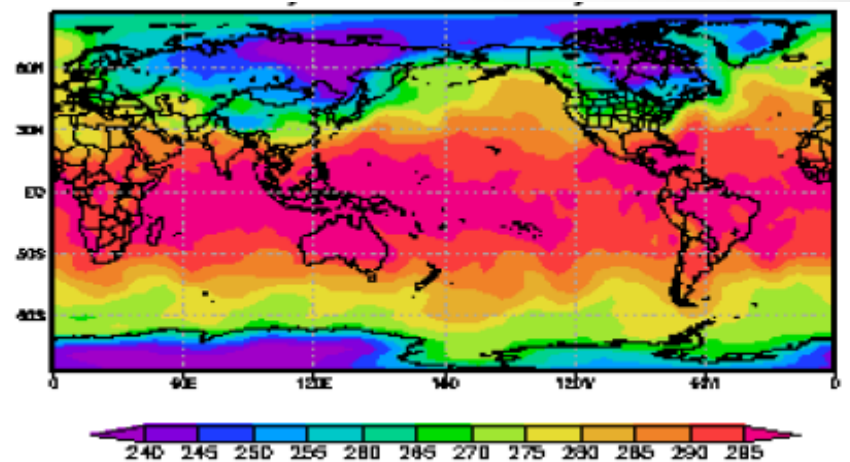
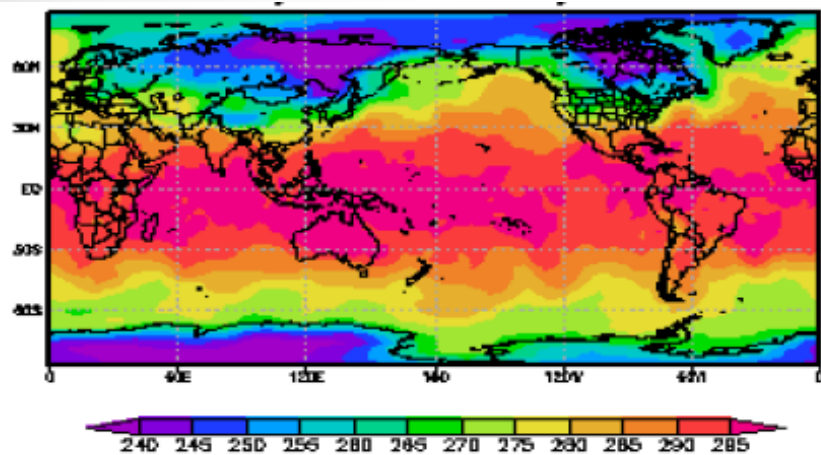
Observations: 12035 (00 and 12 UTC) =  $415 \times 4 \times 7 + 415$

Observations: 2075 (06 and 18 UTC) =  $415 \times 5$  (only surface)



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MLP-NN  
(5x6 = 30 NNs)

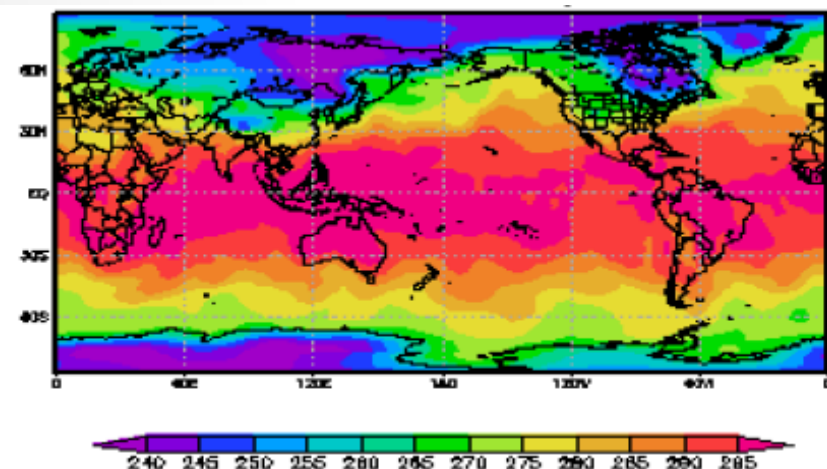
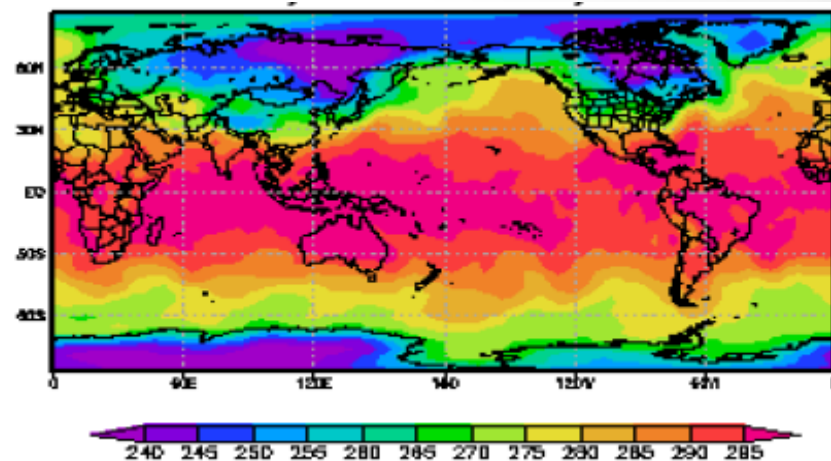
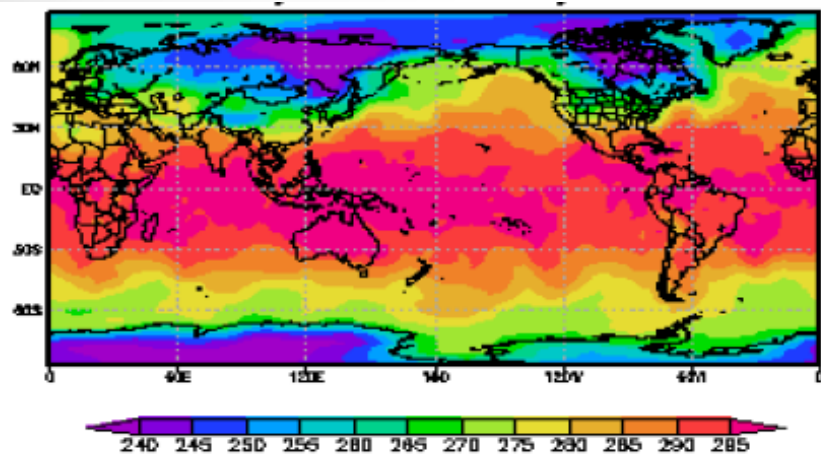


True



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True

MLP-NN

(5x6 = 30 NN)

(many NNs to  
be designed)

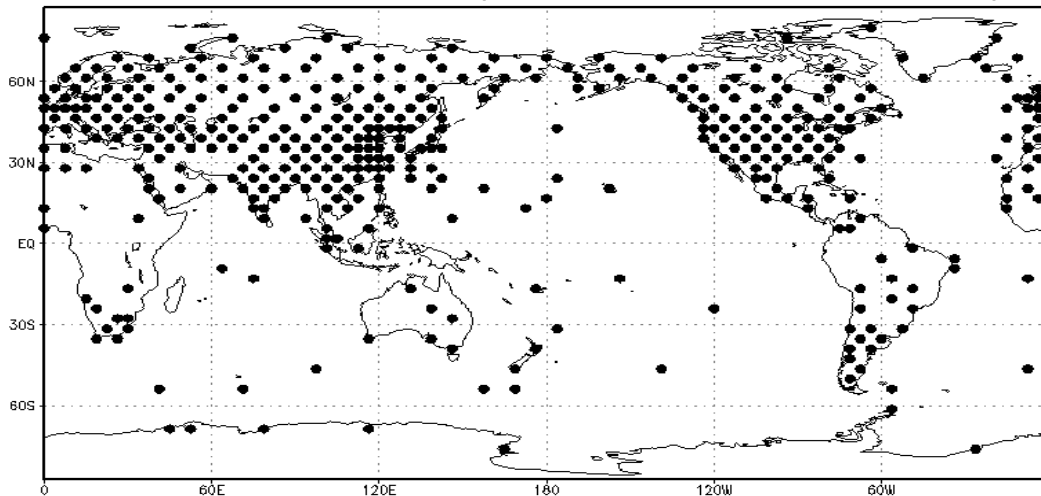




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Forward model ( $x^f$ ): SPEED model

OBSERVATION STATIONS (REALISTIC NETWORK NOBS=415)



**Execution time**

**LETKF**

**MLP-NN**

04:20:39

00:02:53

hours : minutes : seconds





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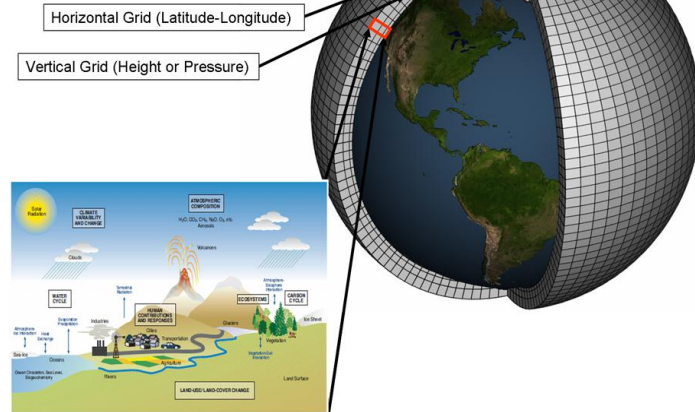
Forward model ( $x^f$ ):

**FSUGSM**

(Florida State University  
global spectral model)  
Atmospheric general  
circulation model

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## Schematic for Global Atmospheric Model



Vertical coordinates:  $\sigma = p_s/p$ .

Horizontal coordinates: (lat , lon) on a Gaussian grid

The spectral model: T63 horizontal resolution (approximately  $1.875^\circ$  )  
and 27 unevenly spaced vertical levels.  
(~ regular grid  $96 \times 192 \times 27$  )



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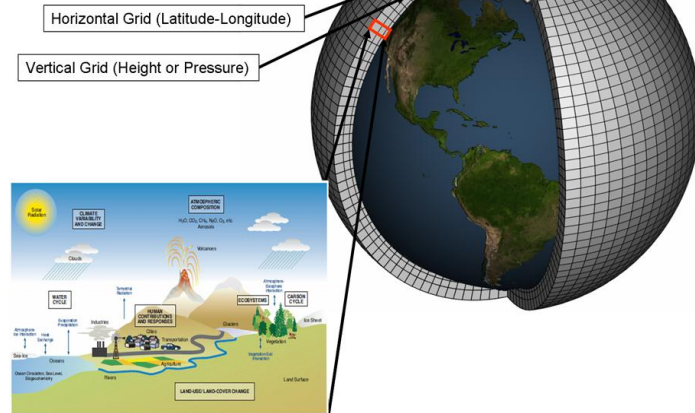
Forward model ( $x^f$ ):

## FSUGSM

(Florida State University  
global spectral model – T63L27)  
Complete physical  
Parametrizations

~ regular grid  $96 \times 192 \times 27$

### Schematic for Global Atmospheric Model



Globe divided into 4 regions (horizontal sub-domains) with 9 sets of three layers for upper-air variable (vertical sub-domains). One NN for each meteorological variable: 4 upper-air (T, u, v, q) and surface pressure (ps) at each sub-domain

# neural networks:  $4 \times 9 \times 4 + 4 = 148$  networks.

**How can we do that?**



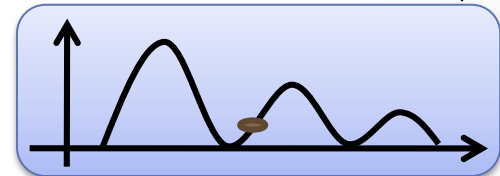
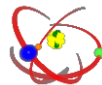
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## How does someone configure an artificial neural network?

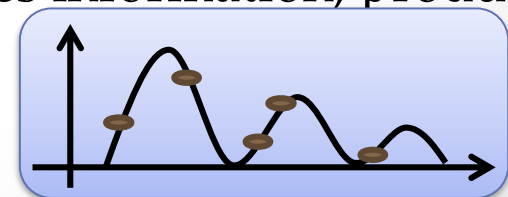
1. Empirically - dependent of time to test
1. Automatic – dependent of one tool

Automatic configuration formulates as an optimization problem, solved by the **MPCA** (Multi-Particle Collision Algorithm) based

PCA (Particle Collision Algorithm): meta-heuristic mimic a neutron (or “particle”) traveling inside of nuclear reactor



MPCA algorithm uses  $n$  particles sharing particles information, producing better solution than standard PCA.





The objective function to be minimized has two terms:

$$F_{\text{obj}} = \text{penalty} * \frac{(r_1 * E_{\text{train}} + r_2 * E_{\text{activ}})}{r_1 + r_2}$$

$$\text{penalty} = \underbrace{\left( c_1 * \left( e^{\# \text{neuron}} \right)^2 \right)}_{\text{complexity factor-1}} \times \underbrace{\left( c_2 * (\# \text{epoch}) \right)}_{\text{complexity factor-2}} + 1$$

- a) Penalty: measuring neural network complexity
- b) The square error (differences between NN output and the target data) for learning process ( $E_{\text{train}}$ ) and square error for generalization ( $E_{\text{activ}}$ )





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Parameters to be evaluated for NN configuration:

Parameters	Value
# hidden layer	1   2   3
# neurons	1  ...  32
Learning rate	0  ...  1
Momentum	0  ...  0.9
Activation function	hiperbolic tangente   Logistic   Gaussian

MPCA-NN algorithm uses a training data set for a determined problem.

For data assimilation, the MPCA topology is done by trained some multilayer perceptrons with input data (observation and forecast) and target ( $x^{tg}$ ) data (analysis to mimic).

$$x^a = f_{NN}[y^o, x^f, (x^{tg})]$$

The MPCA executes 25 realizations (stochastic algorithm) to find the best fitness to 148 Multilayer Perceptrons:

The MPCA topology to each MLP:

- Four input nodes,
  - the synthetic observation vector ( $y^o$ )
  - the 6-hours forecast model vector ( $x^f$ ),
  - the grid point horizontal coordinate ( $i$ )
  - the grid point vertical coordinate ( $j$ )
- One target node for the analysis vector results ( $x^a$ ) (only for training)

- One hidden layer
- The hyperbolic tangent as the activation function:

$$\varphi(u_i) = \tanh(u_i) = \frac{1 - e^{-u_i}}{1 + e^{-u_i}}$$

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- Each MLP has its own learning rate, momentum rate, and the number of neuron in the hidden layer configured by MPCA:

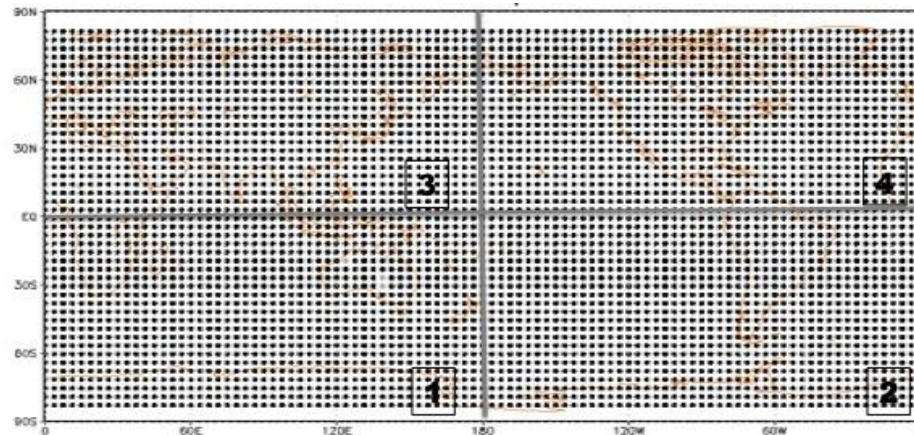
NETWORK (var/reg/layer)	NEURONS (Hidden Layer)	LEARNING RATE $\eta$	MOMENTUM RATE $\alpha$
qq0101	09	0.424676	0.735560
qq0102	07	0.695070	0.836189
qq0103	09	0.128201	0.987913
qq0201	09	0.091828	0.621134
qq0202	10	0.247087	0.997031
qq0203	09	0.068212	0.994036
qq0301	05	0.601685	0.447649
qq0302	06	0.543795	0.980525
qq0303	10	0.852829	0.909061
qq0401	06	0.517619	0.949778
qq0402	10	0.355837	0.975882
qq0403	10	0.438510	0.995963

- Training steps when the cost function is less than  $10^{-5}$ .



Synthetic observation is obtained by adding Gaussian random noise at the grid point values on the true fields.

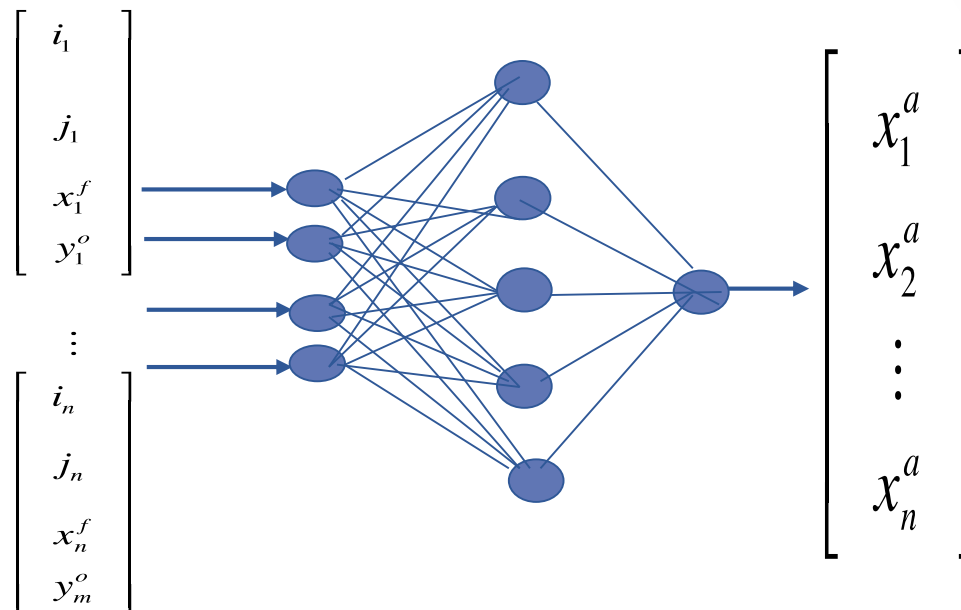
The observational grid is a regularly distributed in a dense network:  
This grid localization is every other latitude/longitude grid point of the FSUGSM native grid.



Observations localizations of observations divides in four regions of global area each is ( $90^\circ \times 180^\circ$ ) size. The dot points represent stations.



**Training data sets** collected observations, forecast and target analysis:  
 Every day from Jan/2001 up to Jan/2003: 00, 06, 12, and 18 UTC, month to month.



Activation test data set collected  $(i, j, y^o, x^f)$ : every day of Jan/2004 and  
**Generalization** phase: every day of Jan/2005: 00, 06, 12, and 18 UTC.  
 (Generalization is the “operational” data assimilation phase)

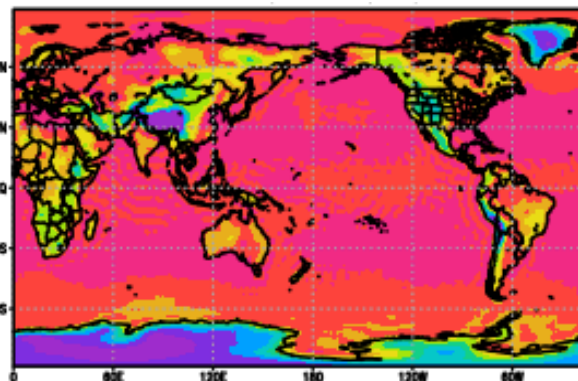
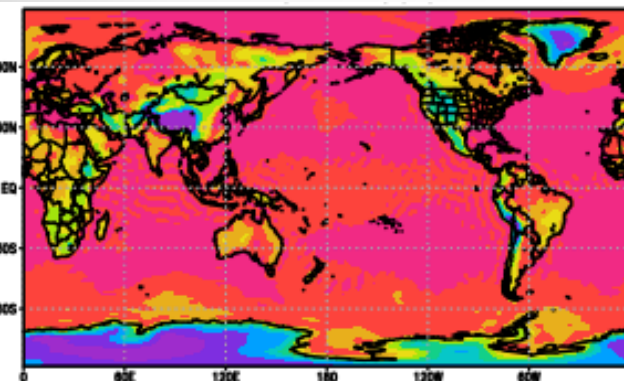
The 148 MLPs generate analysis for all prognostic variables.



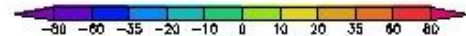
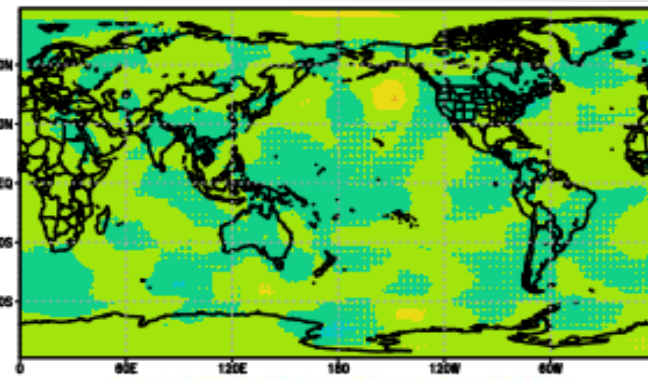
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Surface Pressure(Kg/Kg) generalization

04/Jan/2005 – 12 UTC



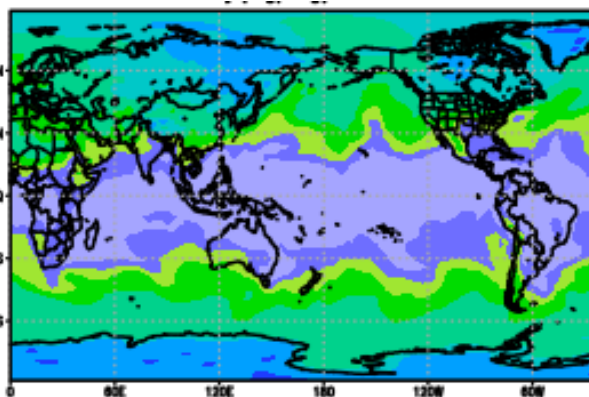
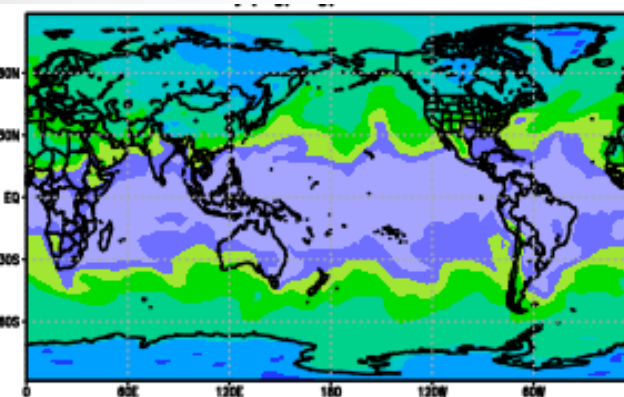
MLP analysis



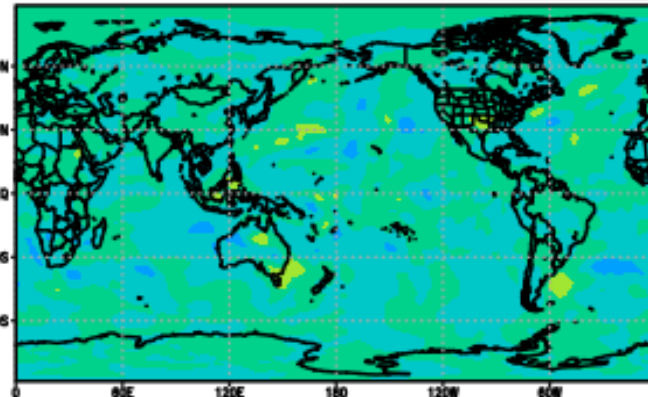
Differences analysis

Specific Humidity (Kg/Kg) generalization

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MLP analysis



Differences analysis

LETKF analysis





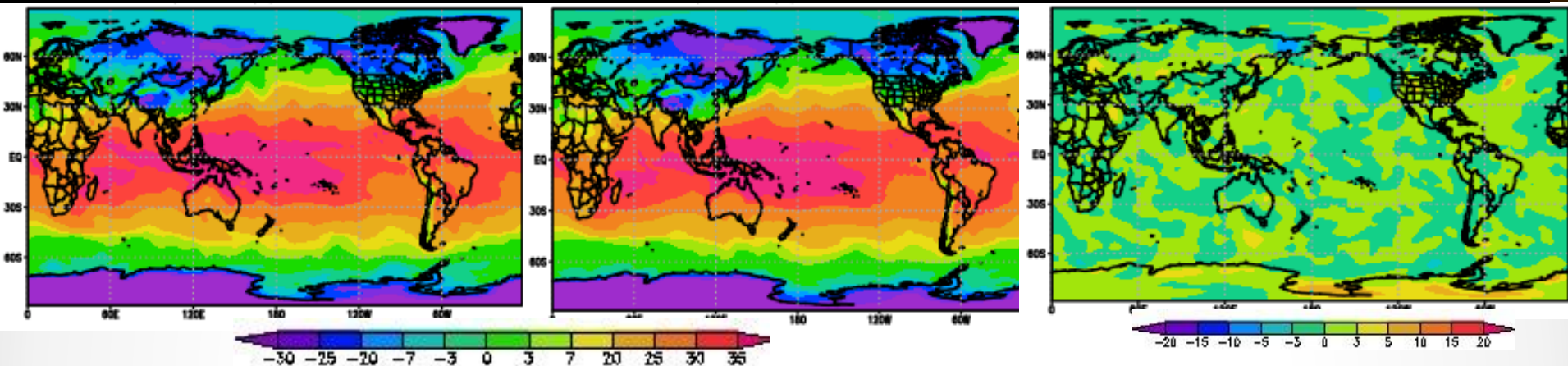
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Surface - Layer 1

Temperature( C°)generalization

04/Jan/2005 – 12 UTC

Surface



LETKF analysis

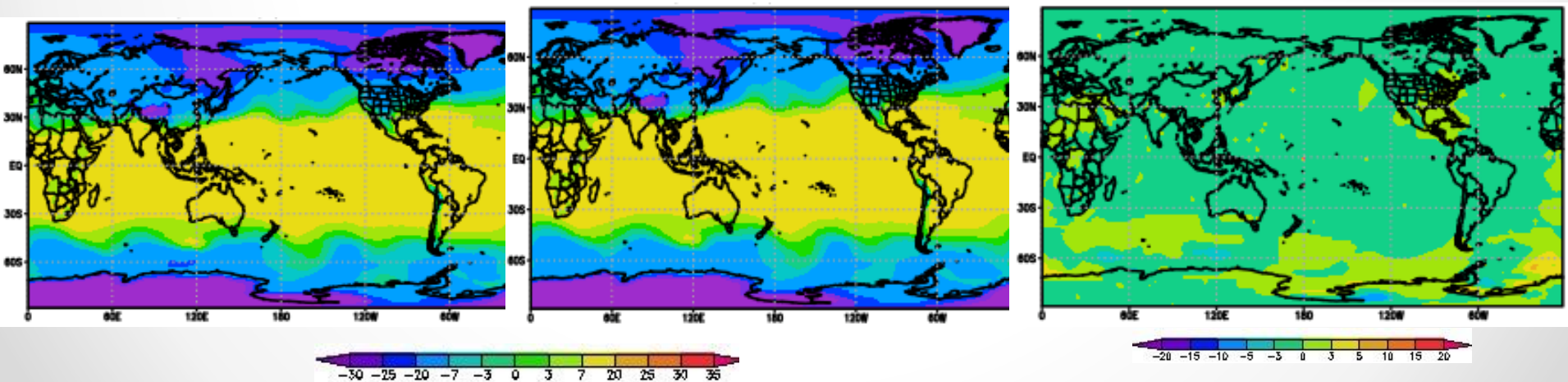
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Differences analysis

Temperature( C°)generalization

04/Jan/2005 – 12 UTC

500 hPa



LETKF analysis

MLP analysis

Differences analysis

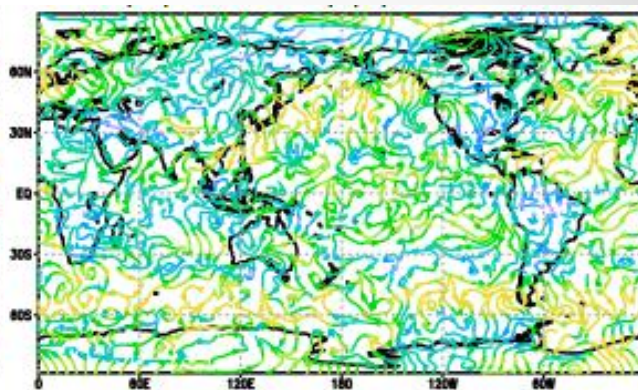
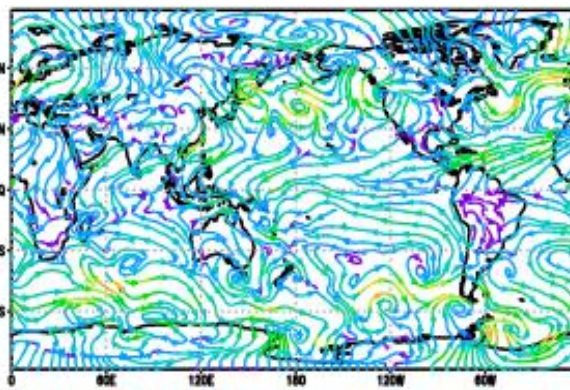
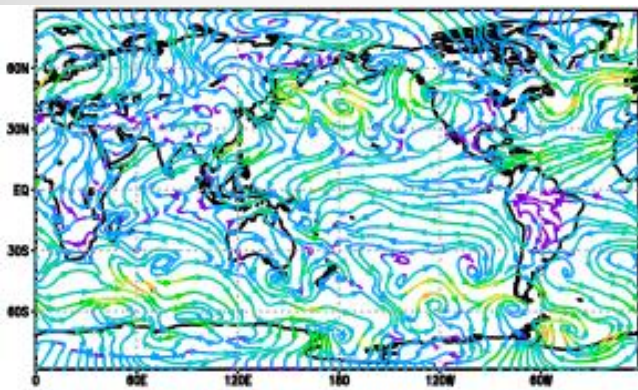




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Stream wind ( zonal/meridional component)

08/Jan/2005 -06UTC



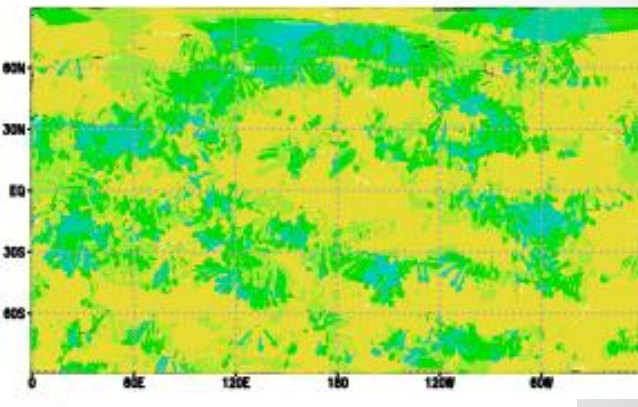
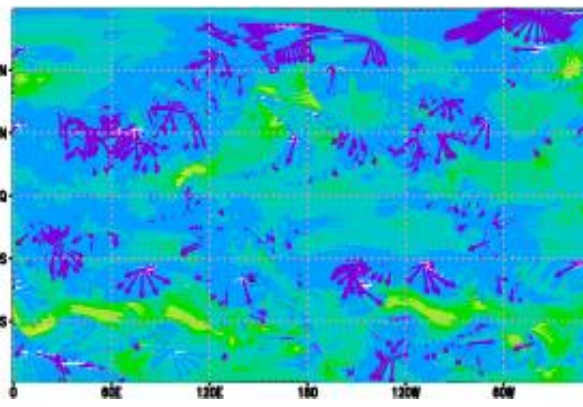
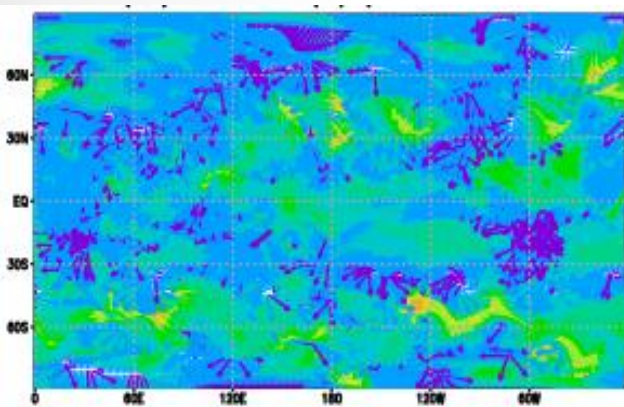
LETKF analysis

MLP analysis

Analysis difference

Vector wind ( zonal/meridional component)

08/Jan/2005 -06UTC



LETKF analysis

MLP analysis

Analysis difference



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Execution of 124 cycles	MLP-DA (hour:min:sec)	LETKF (hour:min:sec)	
Analysis time	00:02:29	11:01:20	← 266 times faster
Ensemble time	00:00:00	15:50:40	
Parallel model time	00:27:20	00:00:00	
Total Time	00:29:49	26:52:00	← 55 times faster

The LETKF analysis runs on 40 nodes at Cray XT/16 (1280 nodes, each node with 2 Opteron 12 cores, total of 30720 cores) (<http://www.cptec.inpe.br/supercomputador>)).

The MLPs runs with a sequential program.

MLP-DA computed analyses for the FSUGSM model:

- Analyses with similar LETKF quality
- Analysis with better computer performance.



## The ANN Data assimilation Research:

### New developments and challenges

1. Emulating NCEP analysis for the Global model from the CPTEC-INPE (under development)
2. Hybrid computing (CPU+FPGA or CPU+GPU or CPU+MIC) (see poster S1-51)
3. Models with adaptive mesh refining



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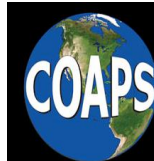
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