



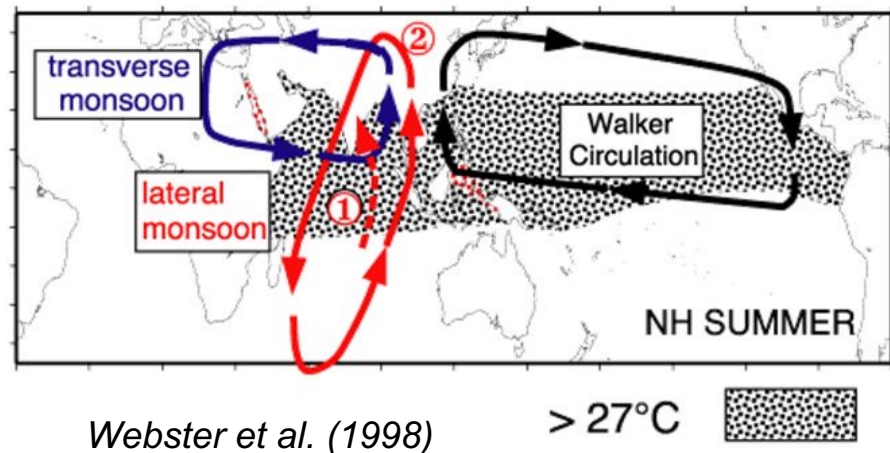
Future Changes of the ENSO-Indian Summer Monsoon Teleconnection : The Temporal vs Ensemble-wise Approach

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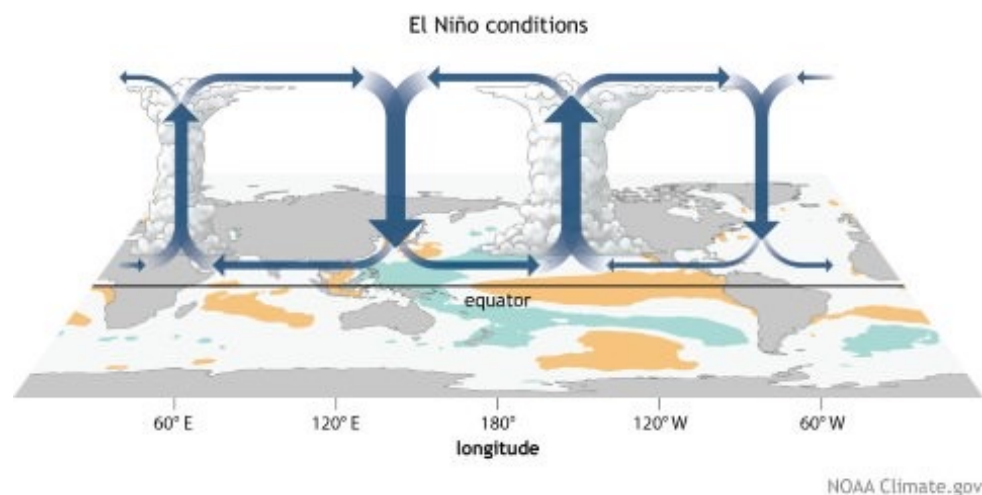
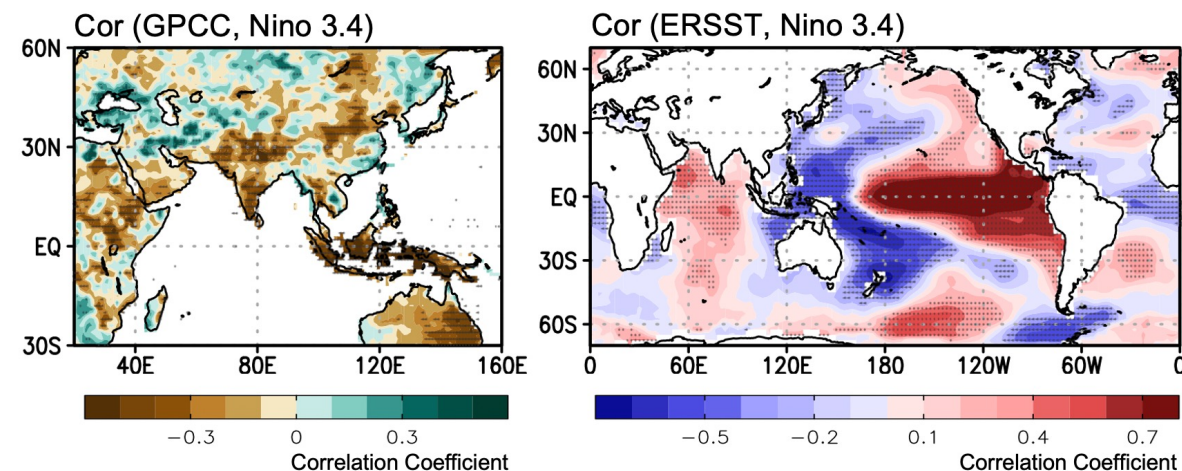
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The ENSO-Indian Summer Monsoon(ISM) Teleconnection

Asian Monsoon and Atmospheric Circulation during JJA

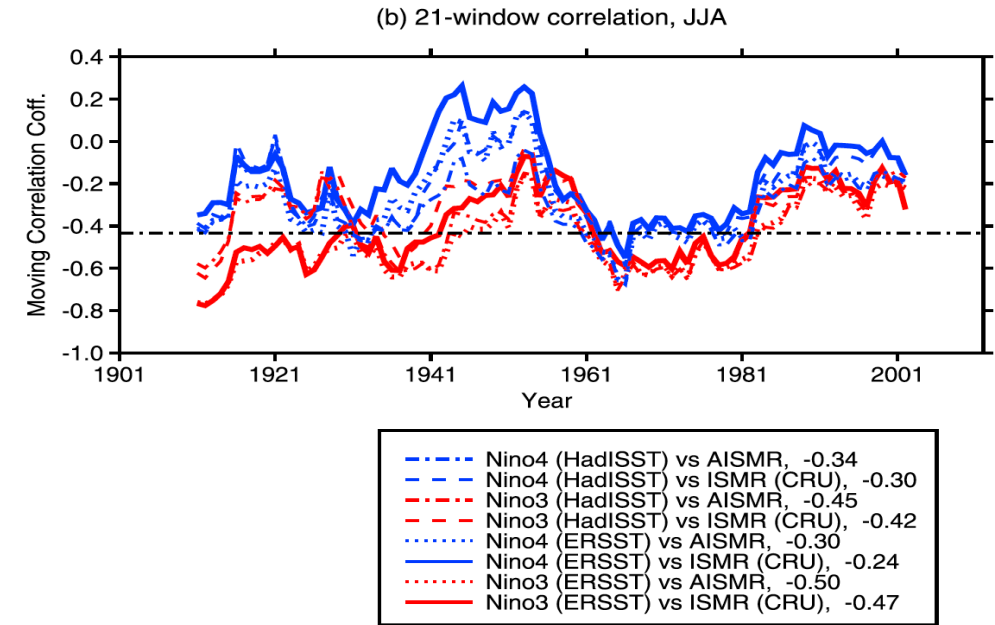
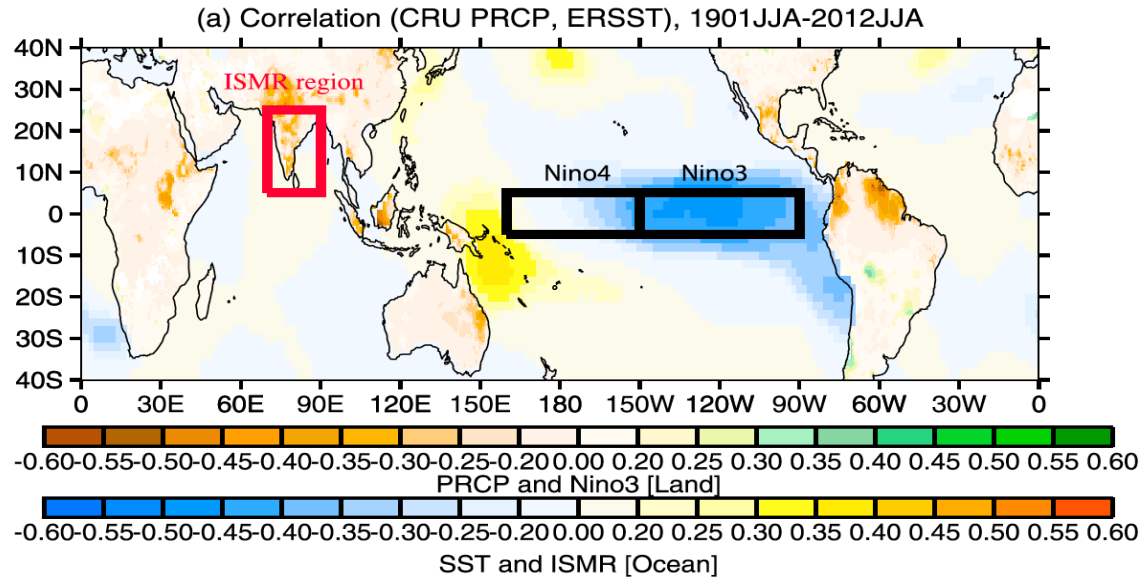


Patterns of ENSO Teleconnection on Interannual Time Scales (JJA, 1965–2014)



- During the El Niño developing summer, equatorial convective system and the associated Walker circulation tend to shift eastward, leading decrease in Indian summer monsoon rainfall (Kumar et al., 2006).

Debates on the Recent Weakening of the Correlation



Yun and Timmermann (2018)

- **Deterministic** either as a result of *low-frequency climate processes* (Chen et al., 2010; Fan et al., 2017; Kucharski et al., 2009; Lu et al., 2006) or a response to *anthropogenic GHG or aerosol forcing* (Azad and Rajeevan, 2016; Kumar et al., 1999; Wang et al. 2015)
- A result of **stochastic fluctuations** in a statistically undersampled system (Cash et al., 2017; DelSole and Shukla, 2012; Yun and Timmermann, 2018).



Teleconnection, features of internal variability, can undergo forced changes



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Nonlinear Forced Change and Nonergodicity: The Case of ENSO-Indian Monsoon and Global Precipitation Teleconnections

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Correlation Coefficient (r) between ENSO and ISM

$$|r| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma_{\xi}/a}{\sigma_N}\right)^2}}, \quad a = r \frac{\sigma_N}{\sigma_P}$$

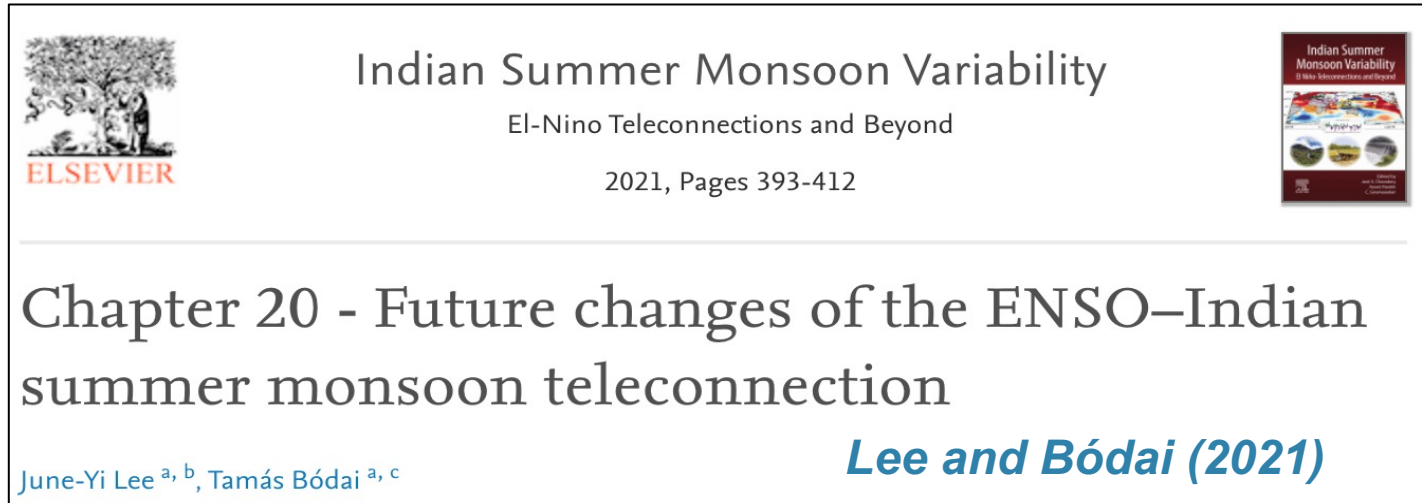
ISM precipitation: $P = \beta + aN + \xi$
ENSO SST: N

- ENSO SST variability $\sigma_N = std[N]$
- ENSO-ISM “coupling” a = the regression coefficient
- Noise strength of ISM $\sigma_{\xi} = std[\xi]$





Weakening or Strengthening in a Warmer World?



Weakening

vs.

Strengthening

The temporal approaches

Conventional multi-model analysis with one realization for one model

(Kumar et al., 1999; Wang et al., 2015; Li and Ting 2015;
Roy et al., 2019; Lee and Bóдай, 2021; and many others)

The ensemble-wise approaches

An single-model initial-condition large ensemble analysis

MPI-GE & CESM1 LE

(Bóдай et al., 2020, 2021; Haszpra et al., 2020;
Lee and Bóдай, 2021)



Nonergodicity: Expected values of temporal correlation coefficients with respect to the ensemble do not equal to those of the ensemble-wise correlation coefficient with respect to the time. Thus, **analyzing changes in teleconnections based on temporal statistics is expected to lead to biases.**

(Bóдай et al., 2021, 2022; Lee and Bóдай, 2021)



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Key Points:

- Analyzing changes in teleconnections based on temporal statistics in observed data is expected to lead to biases, that is, nonergodicity

Sources of Nonergodicity for Teleconnections as Cross-Correlations

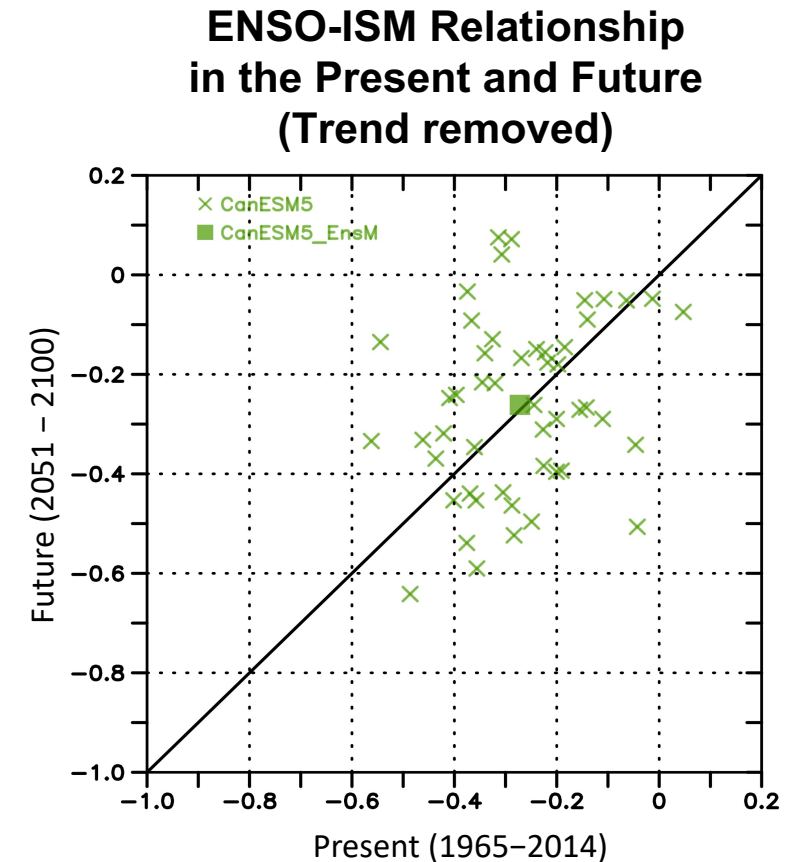
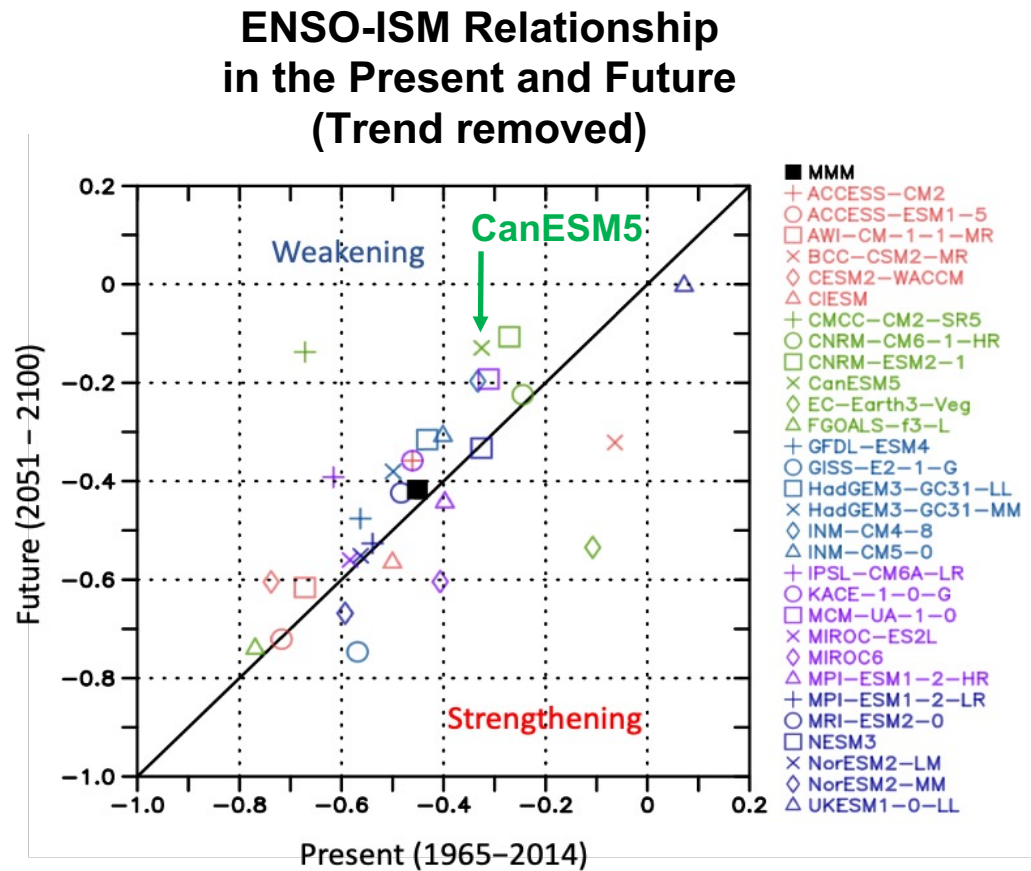
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- 1. Undersampling** (Gerhunov et al., 2001; Yun & Timmermann, 2018; Lee and Bodai, 2021)
- 2. The omission of detrending** (Lee and Bodai, 2021; Bodai et al., 2022)
- 3. The omission of low-frequency variability** (Bodai et al., 2022)
- 4. Nonlinear forced change of r itself** (Bodai et al., 2021, 2022; Lee and Bodai, 2021)



Sources of Nonergodicity: 1. Undersampling



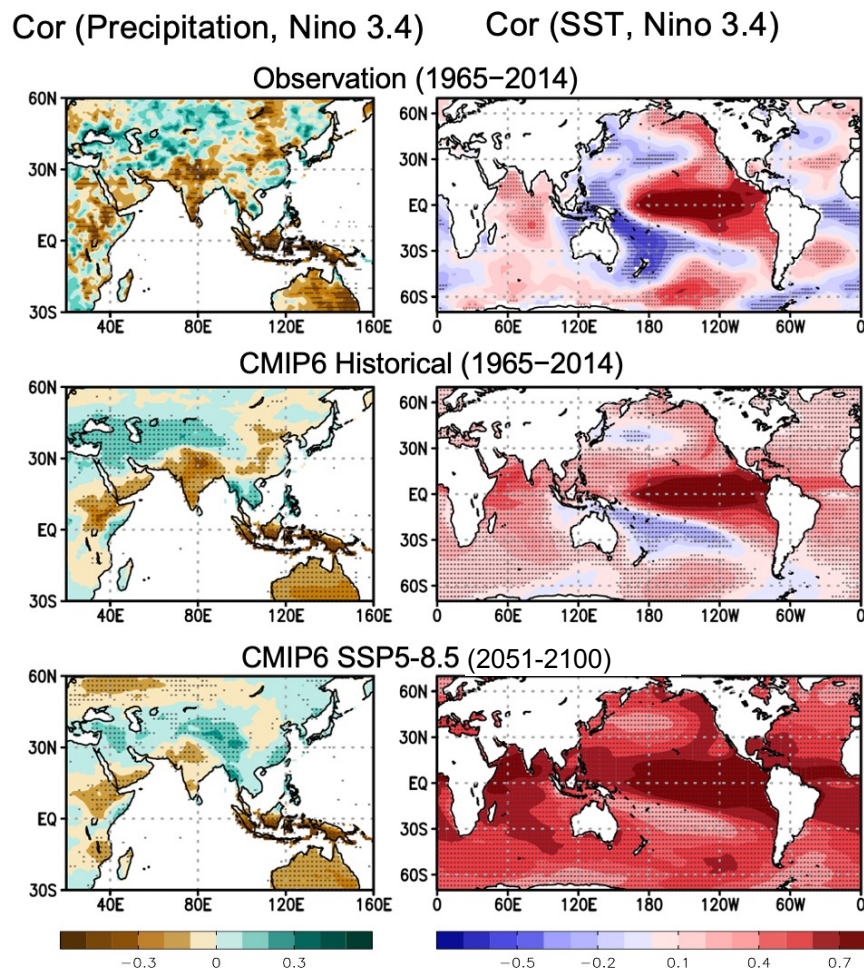
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The CMIP6 historical run for 1965–2014 and SSP5-8.5 run for 2051 –2100

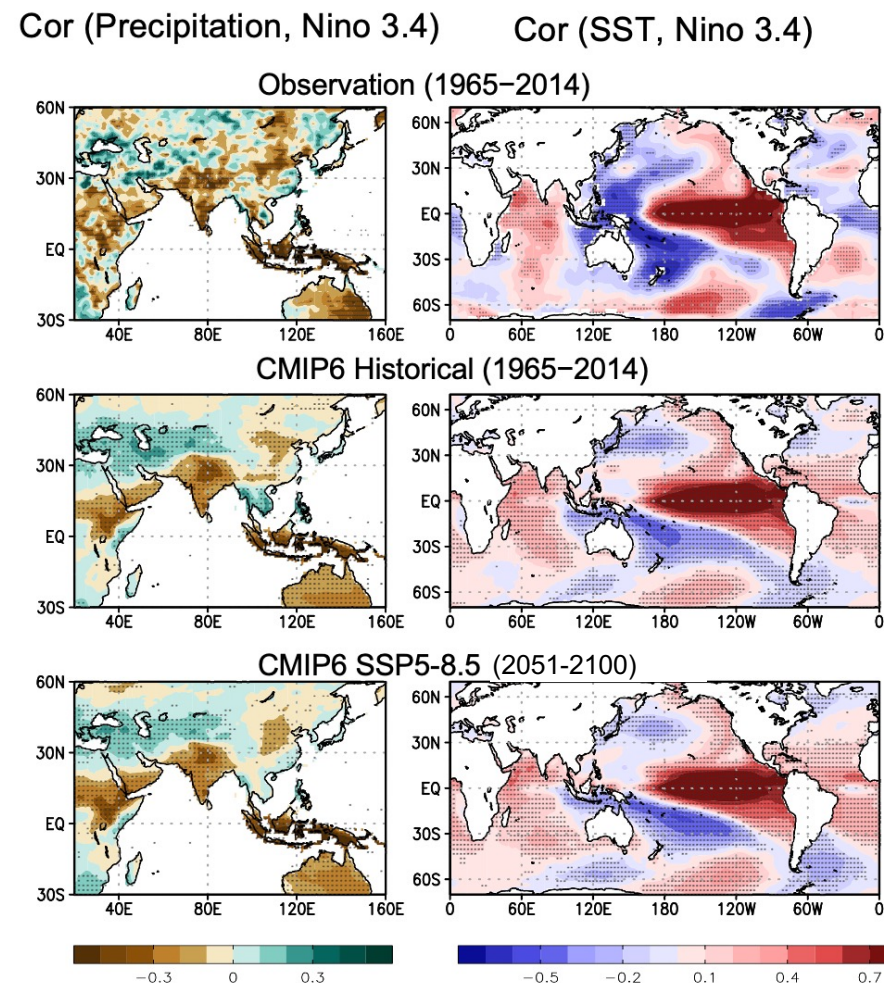
- The conventional **temporal approach** estimates temporal statistics in single realization of models and then takes the multi-model mean, which is commonly regarded as the forced response. The estimation tends to lead to biases due to **undersampling** (Lee and Bódai, 2021).

Sources of Nonergodicity: 2. The Omission of Detrending

With Trend



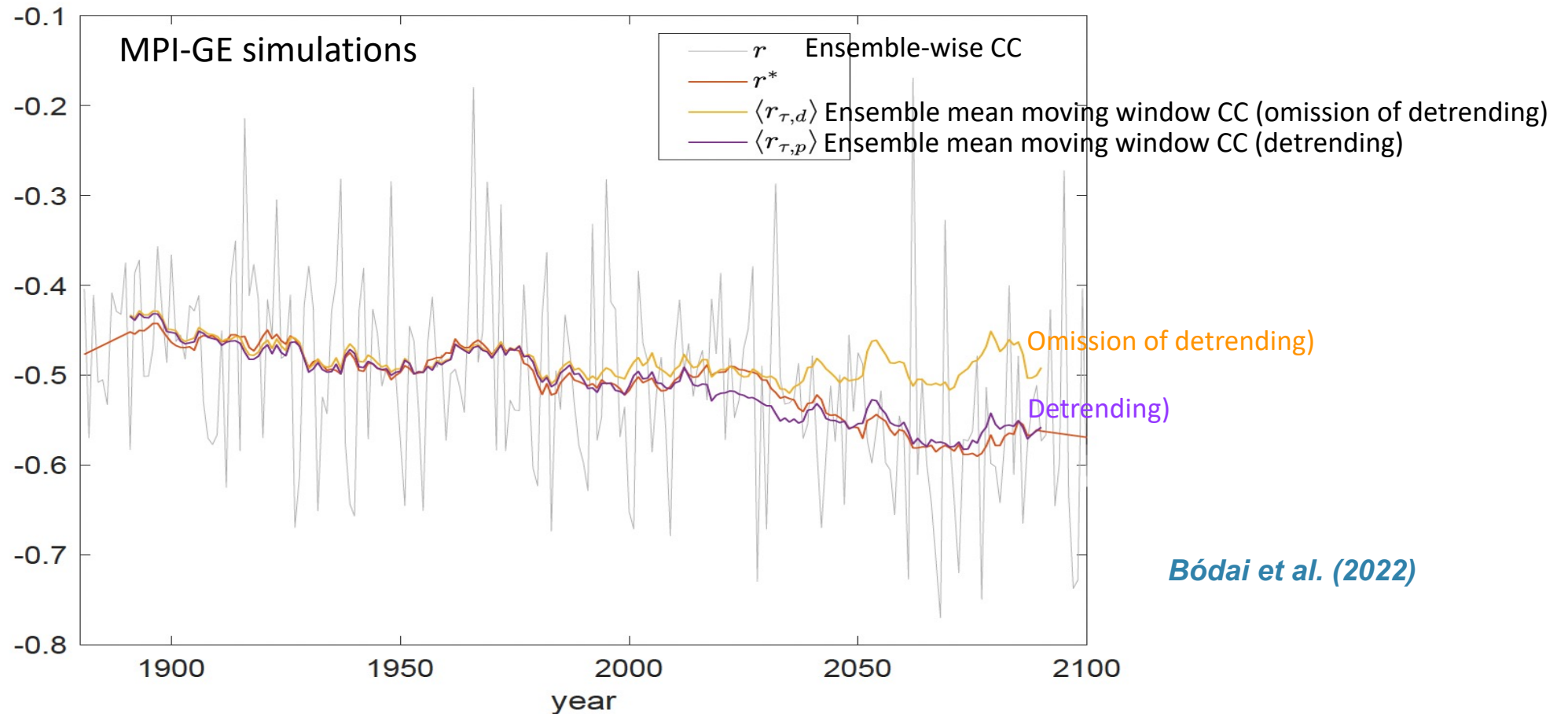
Without Trend



Lee and Bódai (2021)

- The weakening of ENSO-ISM relationship is mainly due to the increasing trend of both Nino 3.4 SST and ISM rainfall in response to GHG warming. If the long-term trend is removed, the ENSO-ISM relationship is rather stable in the temporal approach.

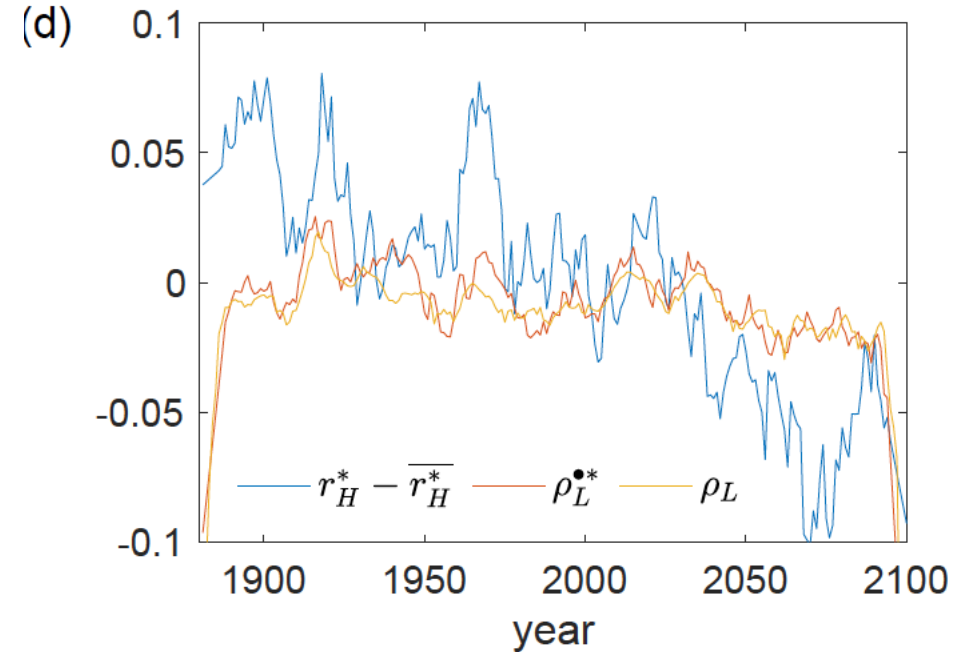
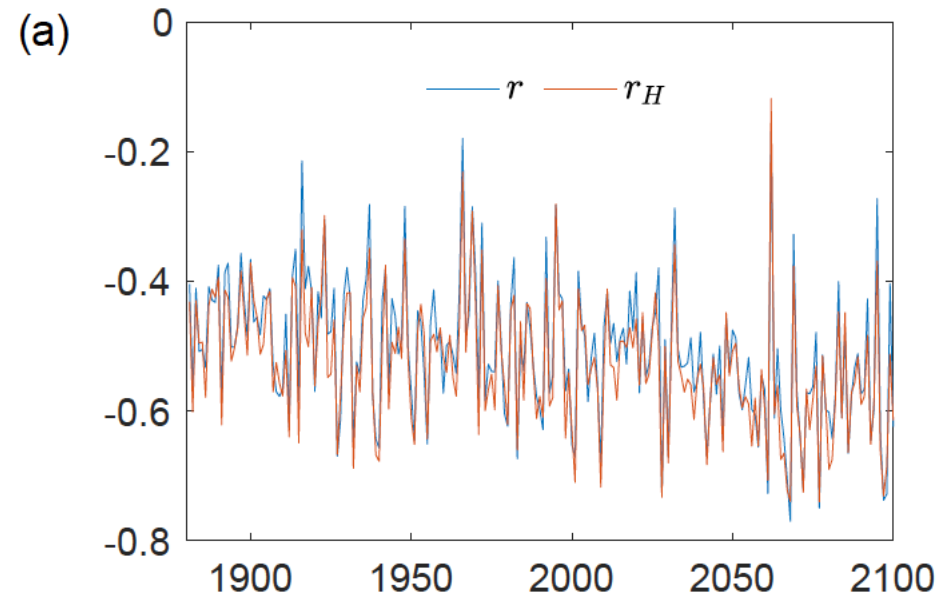
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- The **omission of detrending** could lead to considerable **biases depending quadratically on both the window size and the trends of the means** (*Bódai et al., 2022*).



Sources of Nonergodicity: 3. The Omission of Low-frequency Variability



Bóдай et al. (2022)

- The omission of low-frequency variability was suggested as one source of biases but this study find that it is **negligible for typical processes** due to their spectral characteristic, given that **low-frequency, e.g., interdecadal, variability is much weaker than the high frequency internal variability** (*Bóдай et al., 2022*).

Sources of Nonergodicity: 4. Nonlinear Forced Change of r



- **A nonlinear change of the teleconnection strength** is the **only** irreducible source of biases when an **initial condition large ensemble** is used after detrending. In this case, **nonergodicity** could robustly imply **nonlinearity** (*Bódai et al., 2021, 2022*).
- Our studies suggest that **forced changes of the ENSO-ISM teleconnection can be analyzed only in models**. Even if any of the available models inaccurately represents some natural processes, at least an **initial condition ensemble** can be generated with them, which **allows for a sound analysis of the forced response** (*Lee and Bódai, 2021*).
- **A multi-model ensemble of initial condition ensembles** should be analyzed to check if the forced changes of teleconnection are *robust or sensitive* to parameter tuning and model errors (in progress).



Thank you very much!

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