

Seasonal forecast of the groundwater resource in France



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The Aquif-FR project

- **Objectives**

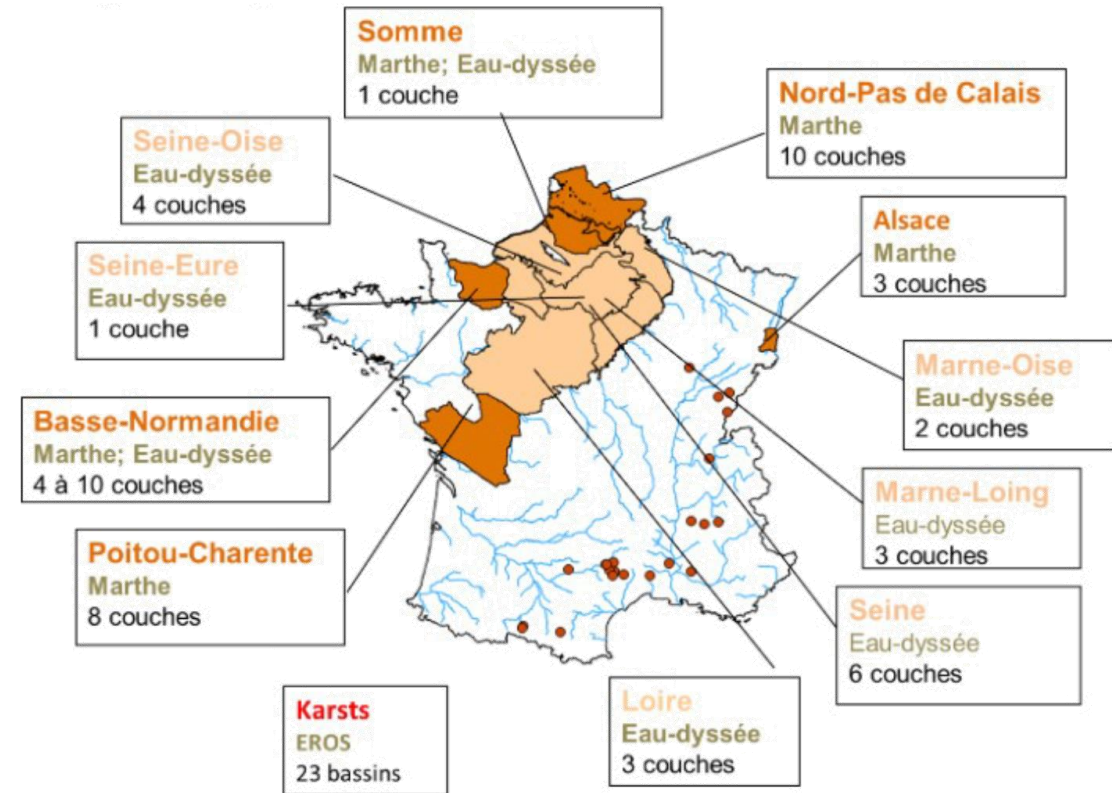
- Better understand and manage properly our groundwater resources
- Provide monitoring and forecasts over France (10-day, seasonal, long term)

- **Hydrological modeling**

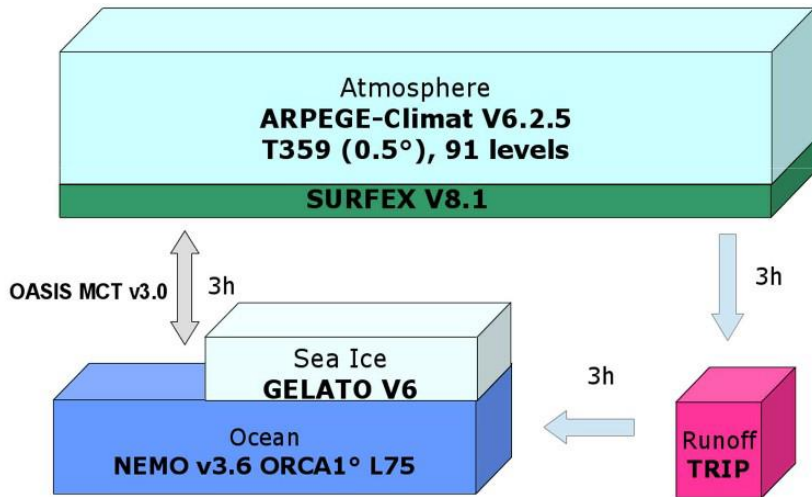
- Rely on existing hydrogeological applications (1 to 10 layers, 100m-1km resolution)
- Other applications are implemented

- **Seasonal forecasts**

- Expertise at Météo-France in terms of seasonal forecasts with ARPEGE System 6 (and System 7 should be available in the upcoming months)

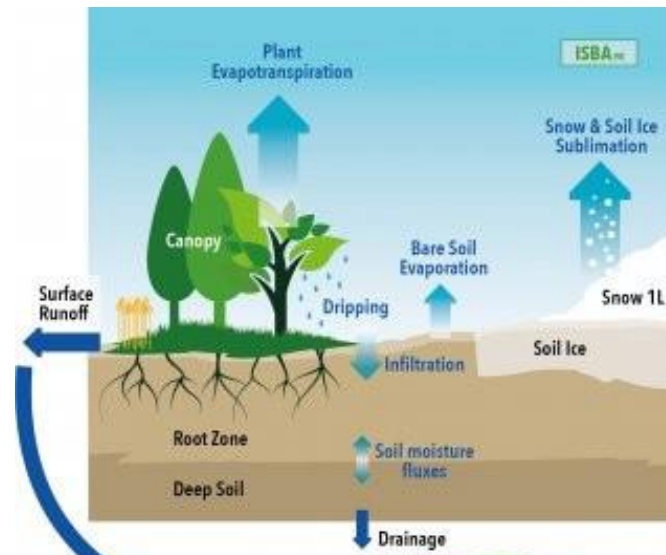


The Aqui-FR platform



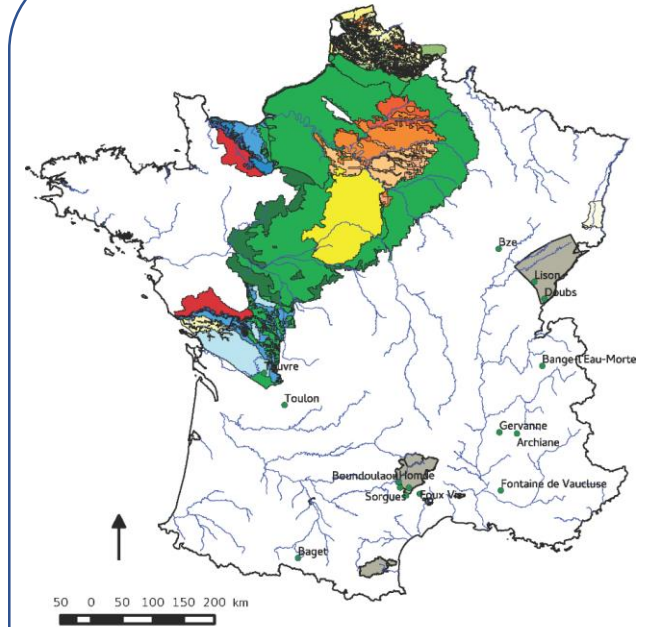
Atmospheric conditions:

- Long run, SAFRAN [t°, precip., etc.] (REA, 1958-now)
 - 6-month forecasts, ARPEGE S6 (ESF, 51 members in “real-time”, 25 members for hindcast 1993-2016)
- (8 km)



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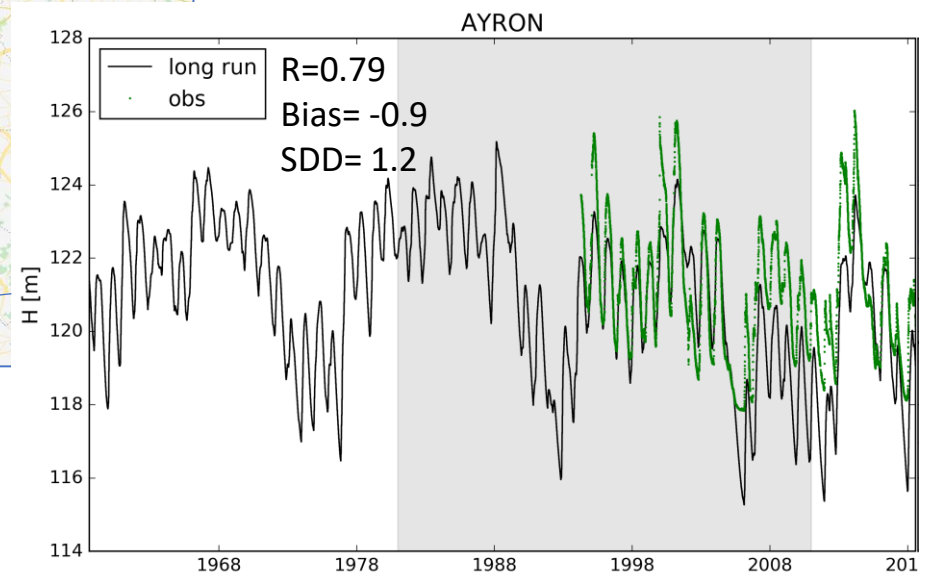
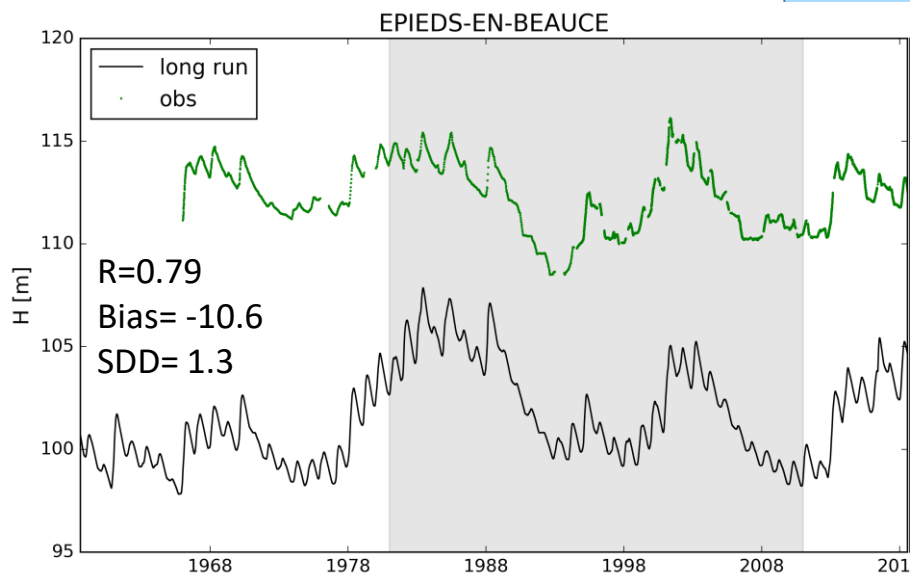
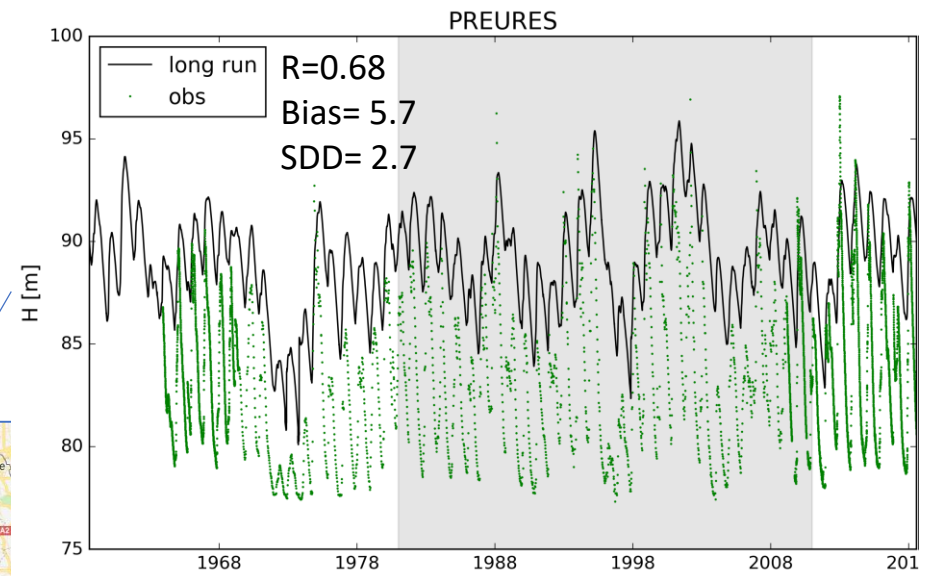
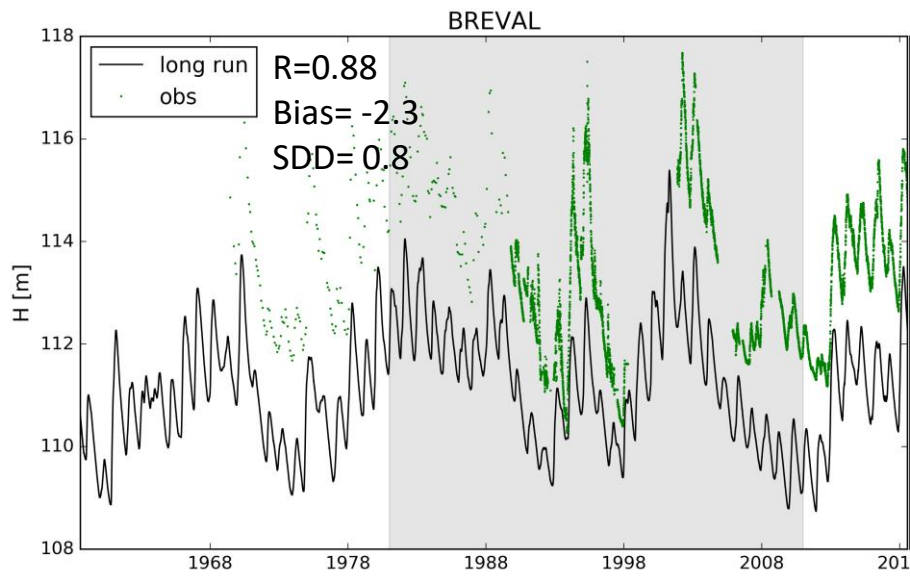
- V8, ISBA-DIF (SIM2 version before MODCOU)
 - Daily cumulated **drainage** and **runoff** (25 or 51 scenarios)
- (8km)



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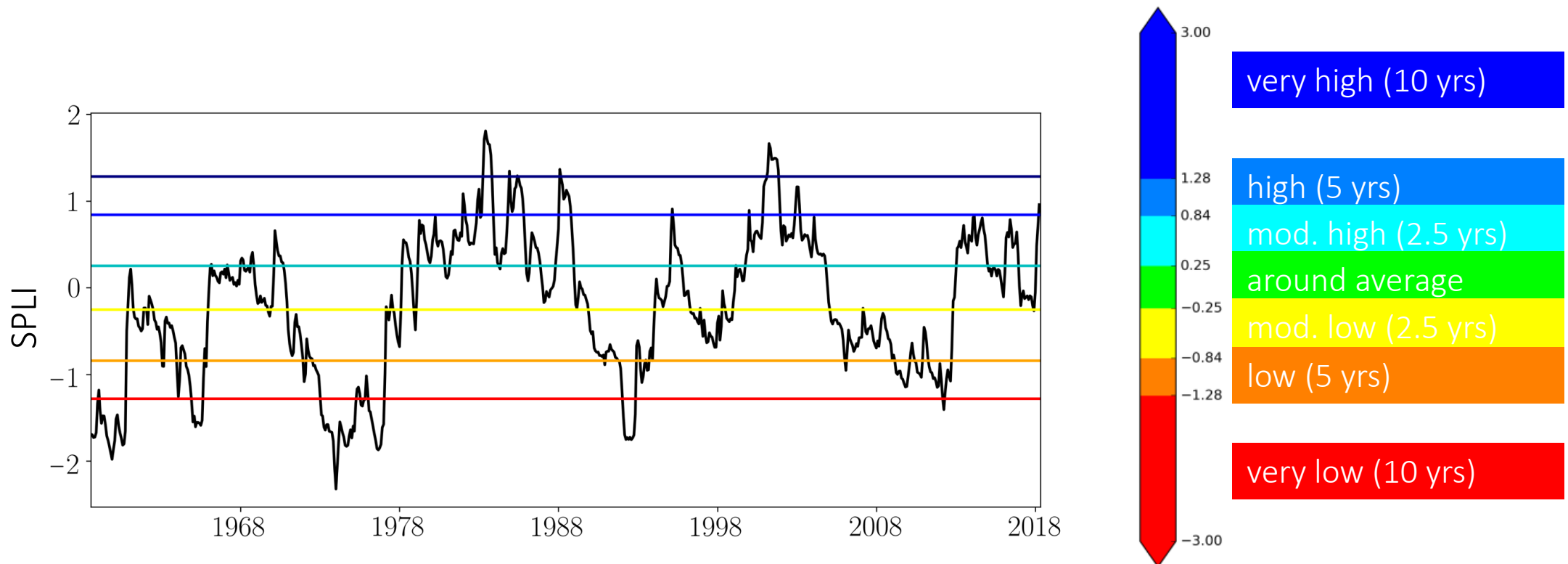
- **Groundwater level**, exchange with rivers, river discharge
- H: monthly over each point, daily for piezo stations (639 stations)

Groundwater past simulations (REA) – example of piezometric stations [1958-2018] vs observations

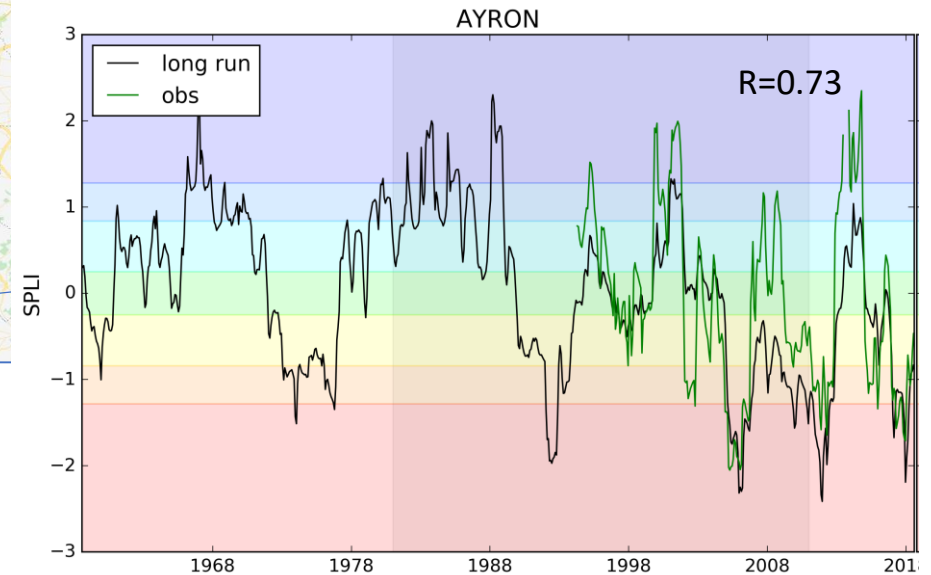
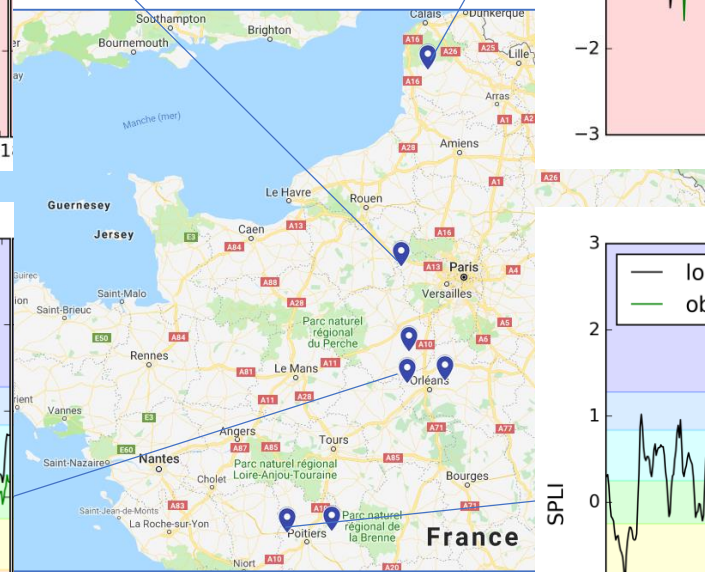
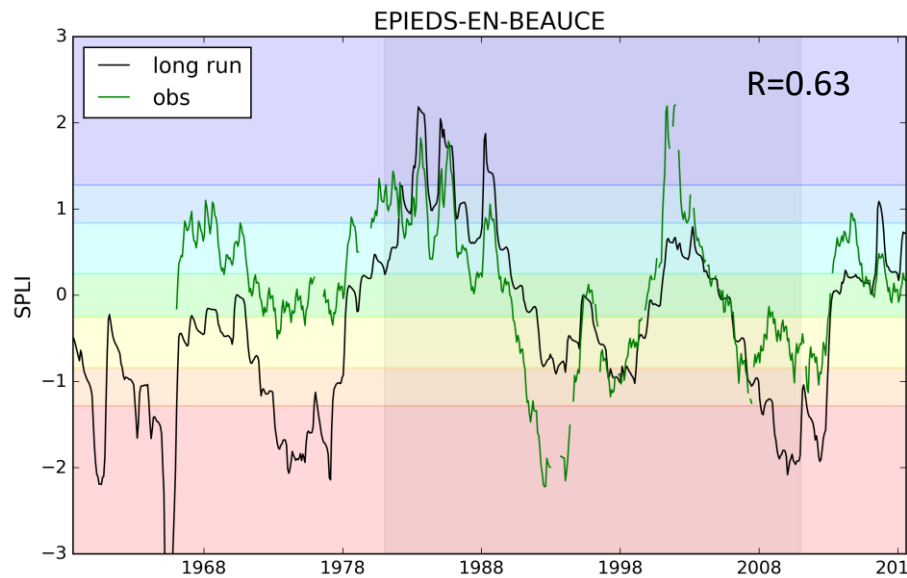
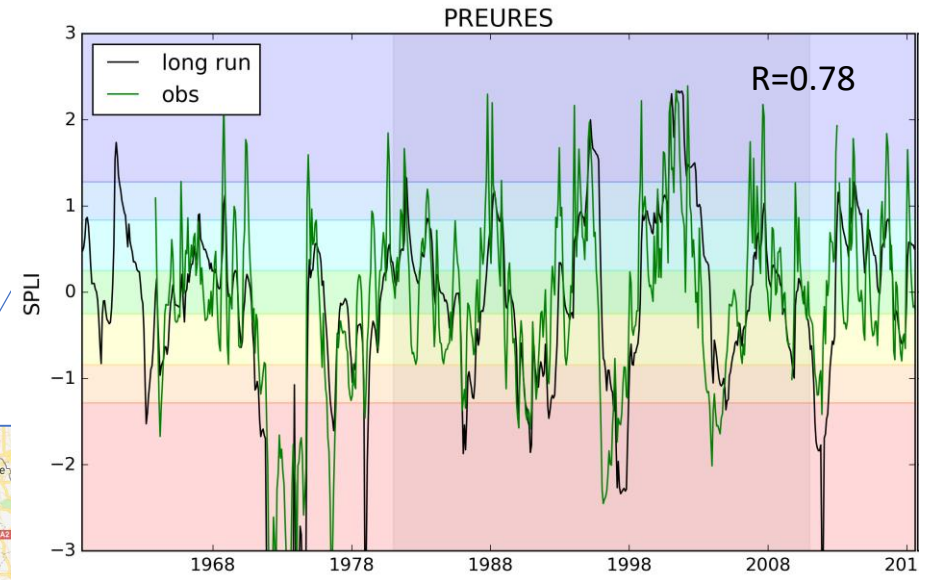
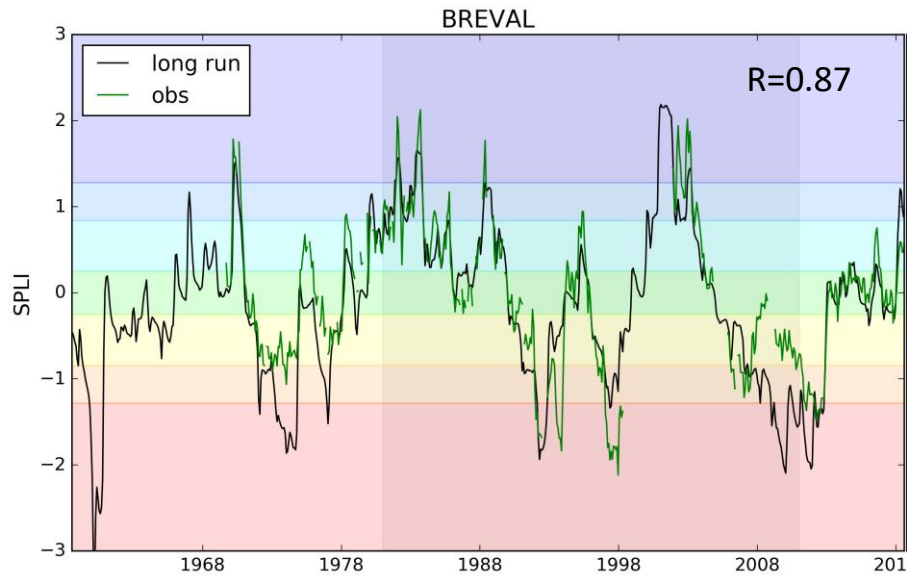


The Standardized Piezometric Level Index (SPLI)

- In order to be able to compare the different levels on a same map (only topography otherwise), we use a frequential index called SPLI based on the return frequency
 - SPLI < -1.28: 10 year **dry** can mean a severe drought as it only happens every 10 years in average
 - SPLI > +1.28: 10 year **wet** can mean a risk of flooding if the groundwater reaches the surface
 - compared to average from a reference time period [1981-2010]

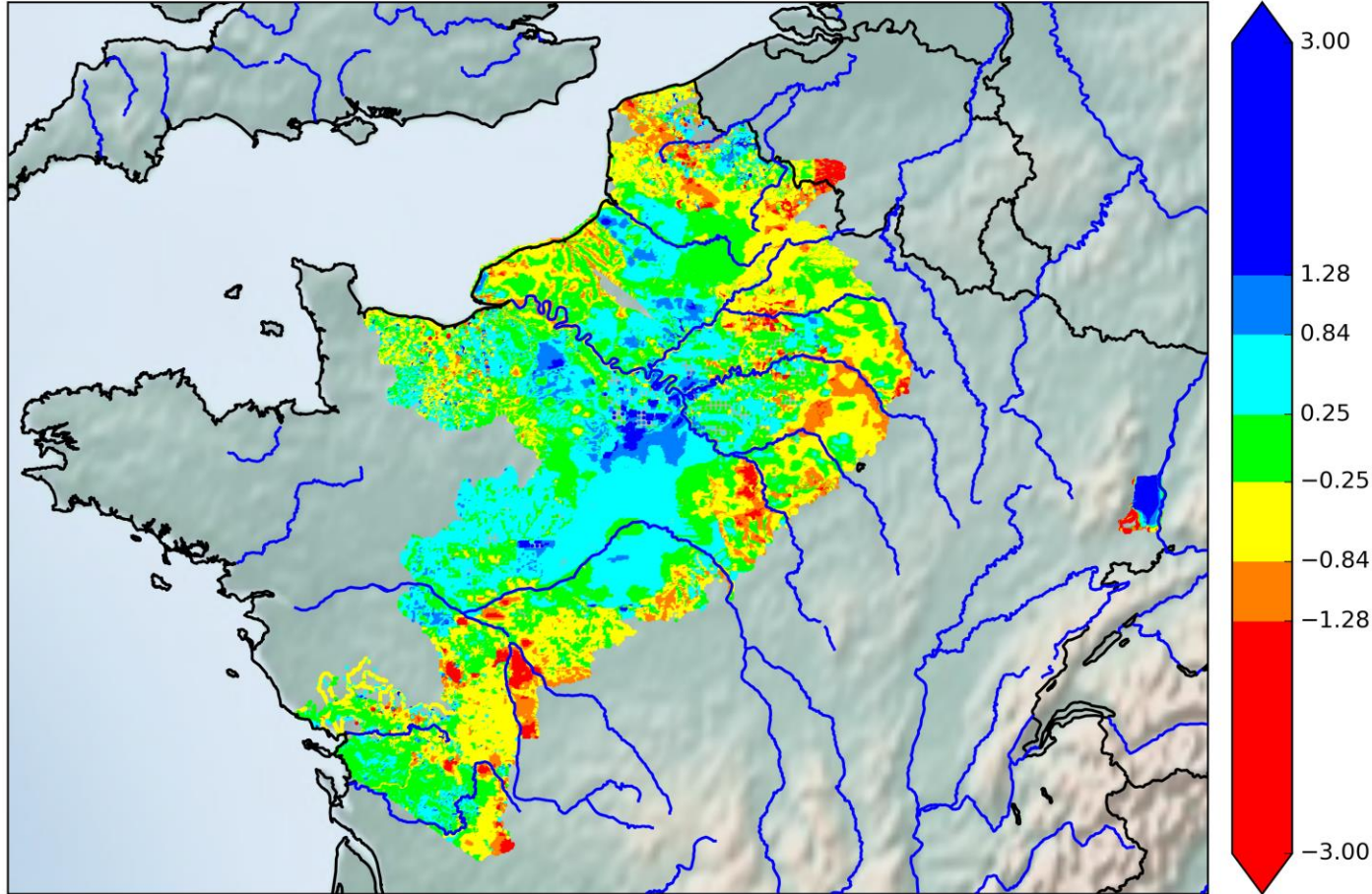


SPLI – same piezometric stations



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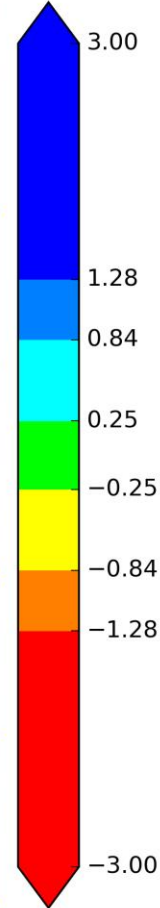
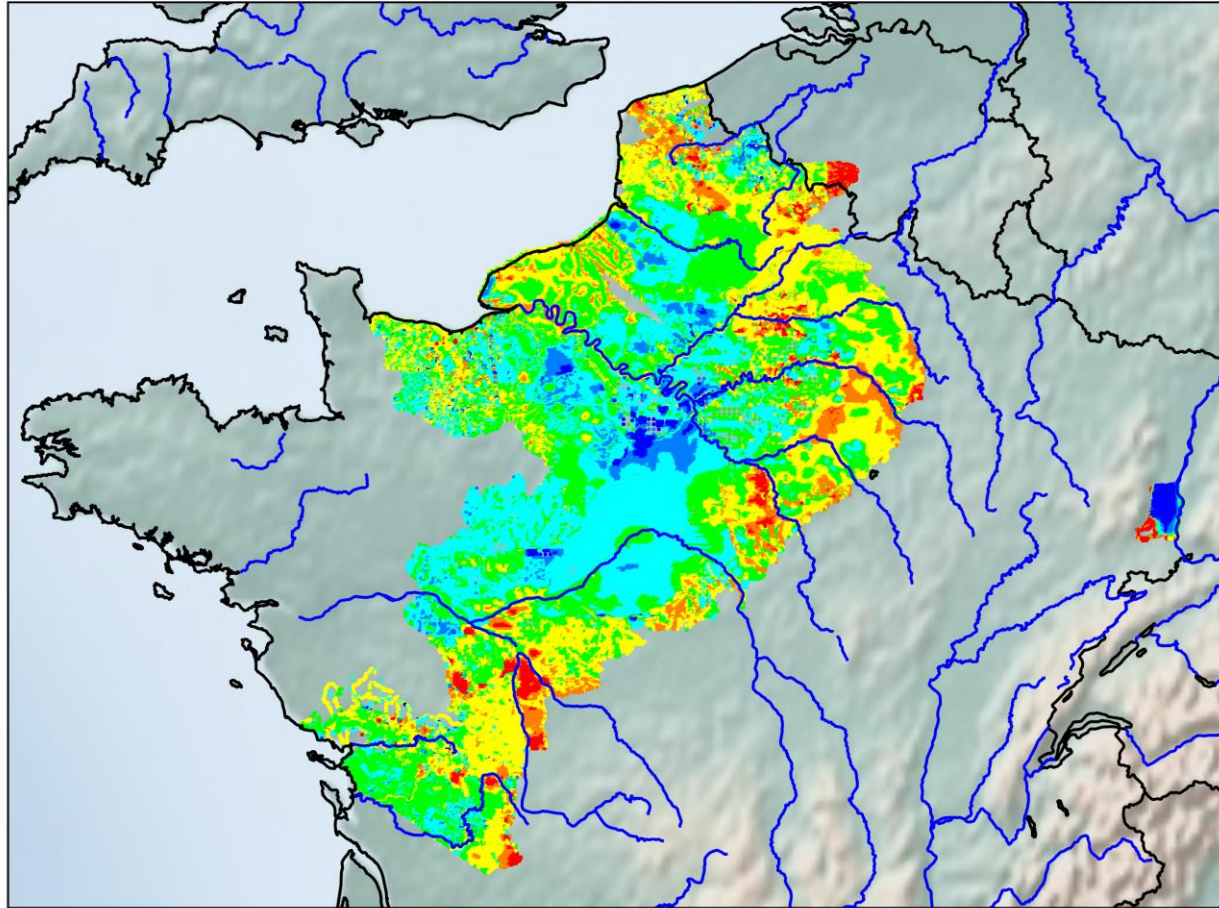
REA - 2019 - January



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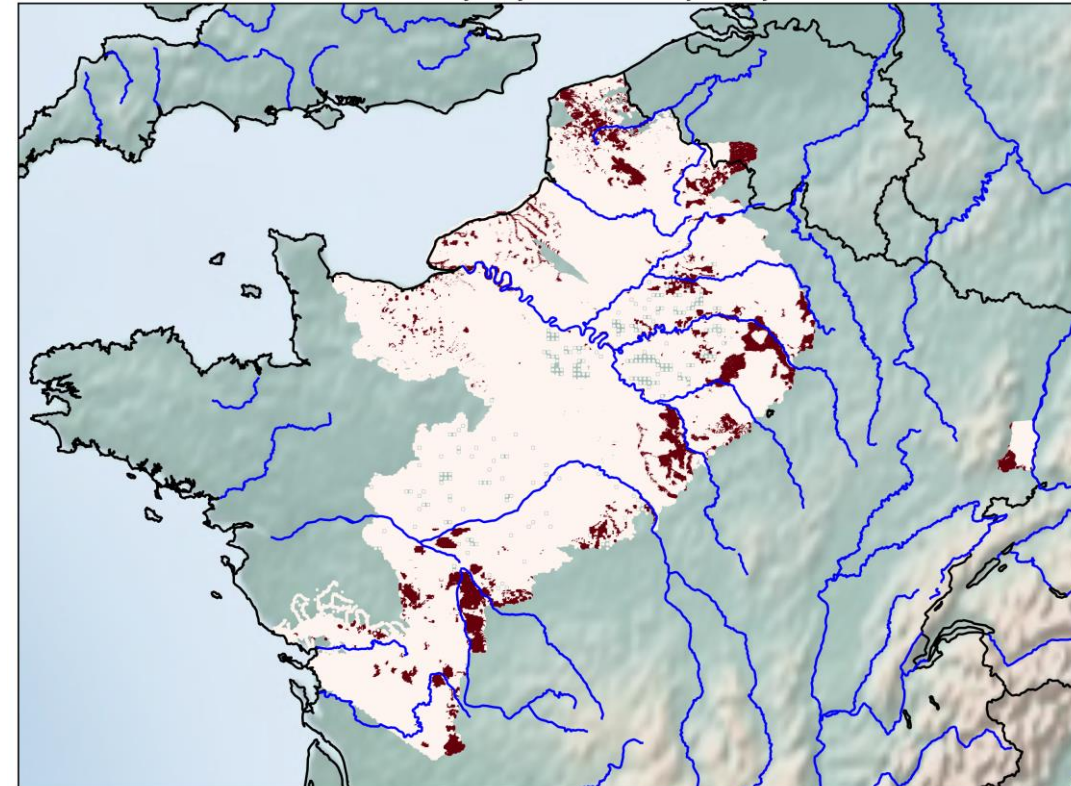
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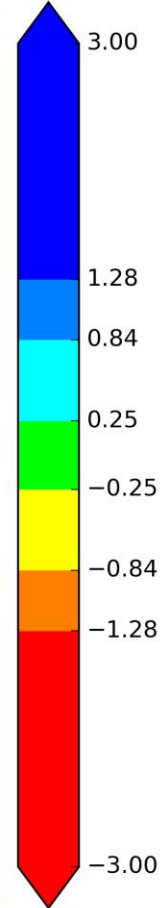
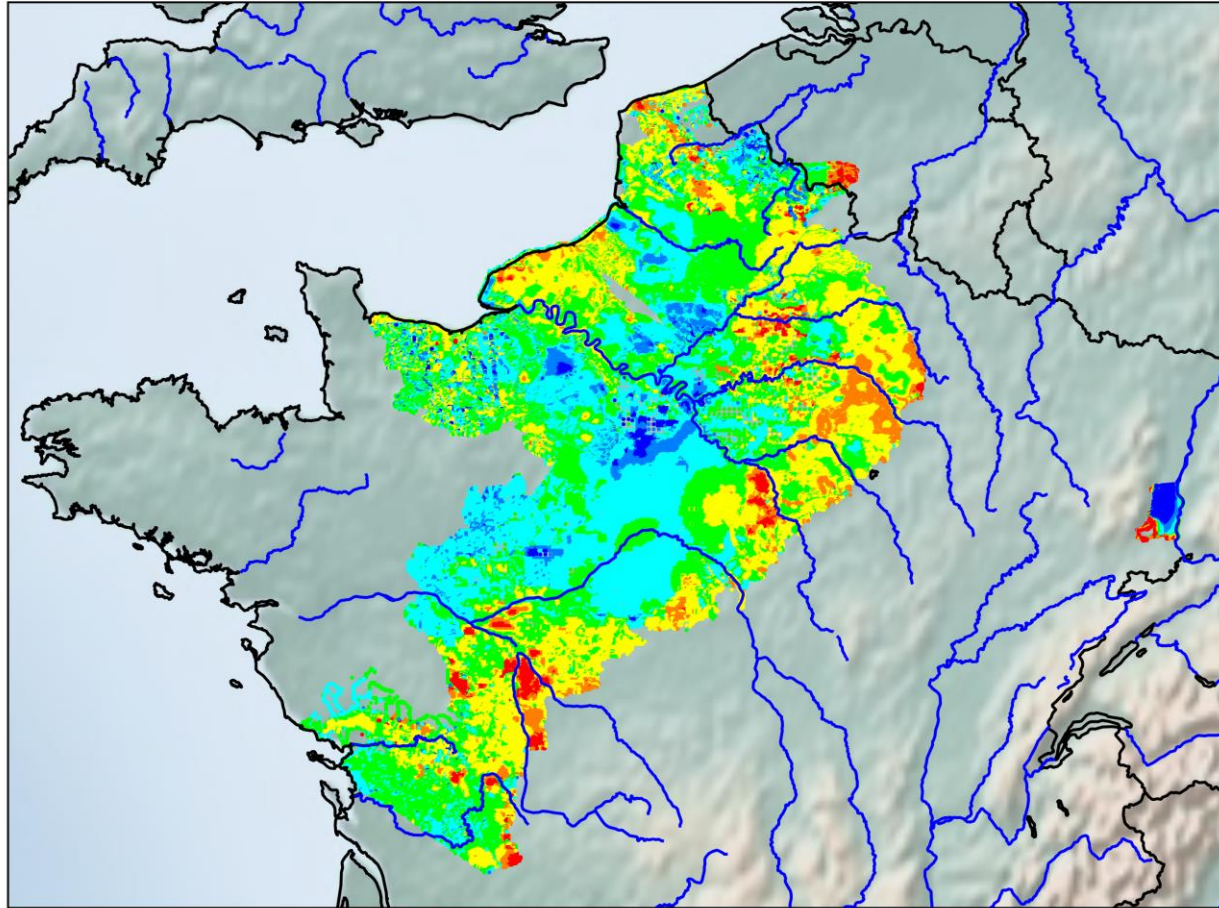
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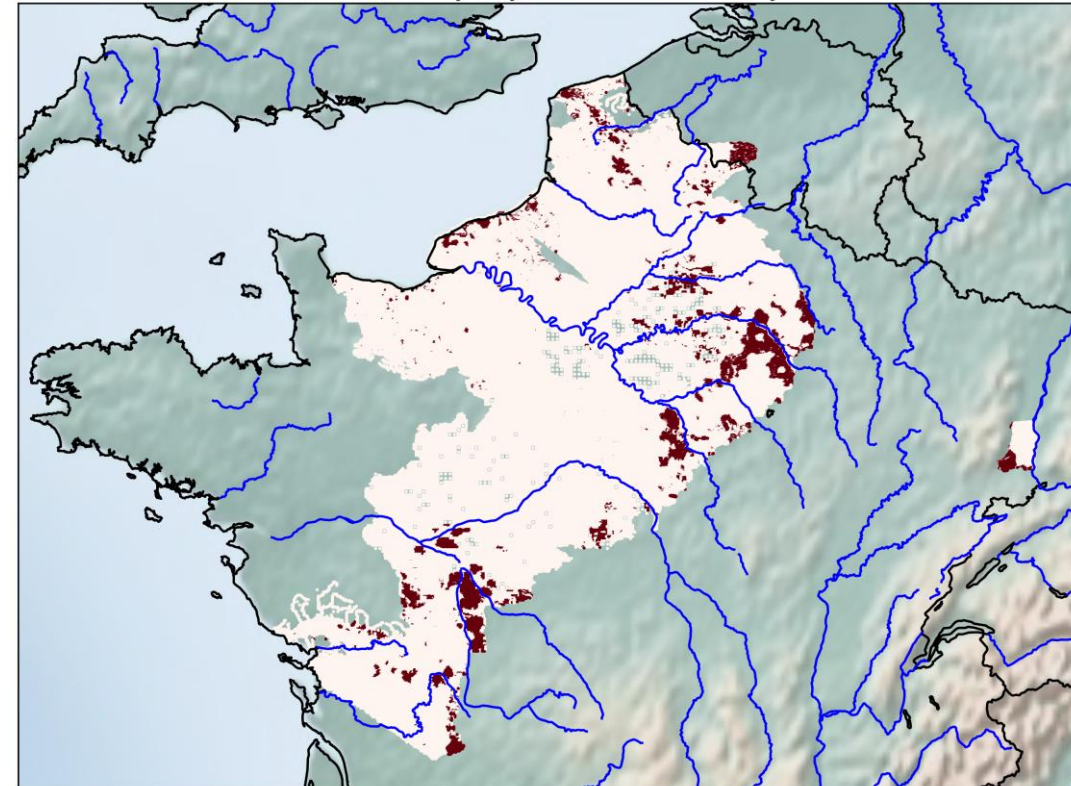
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REA - 2019 - February



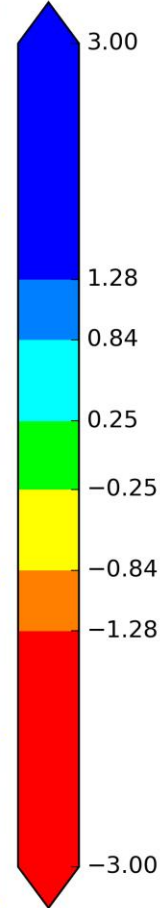
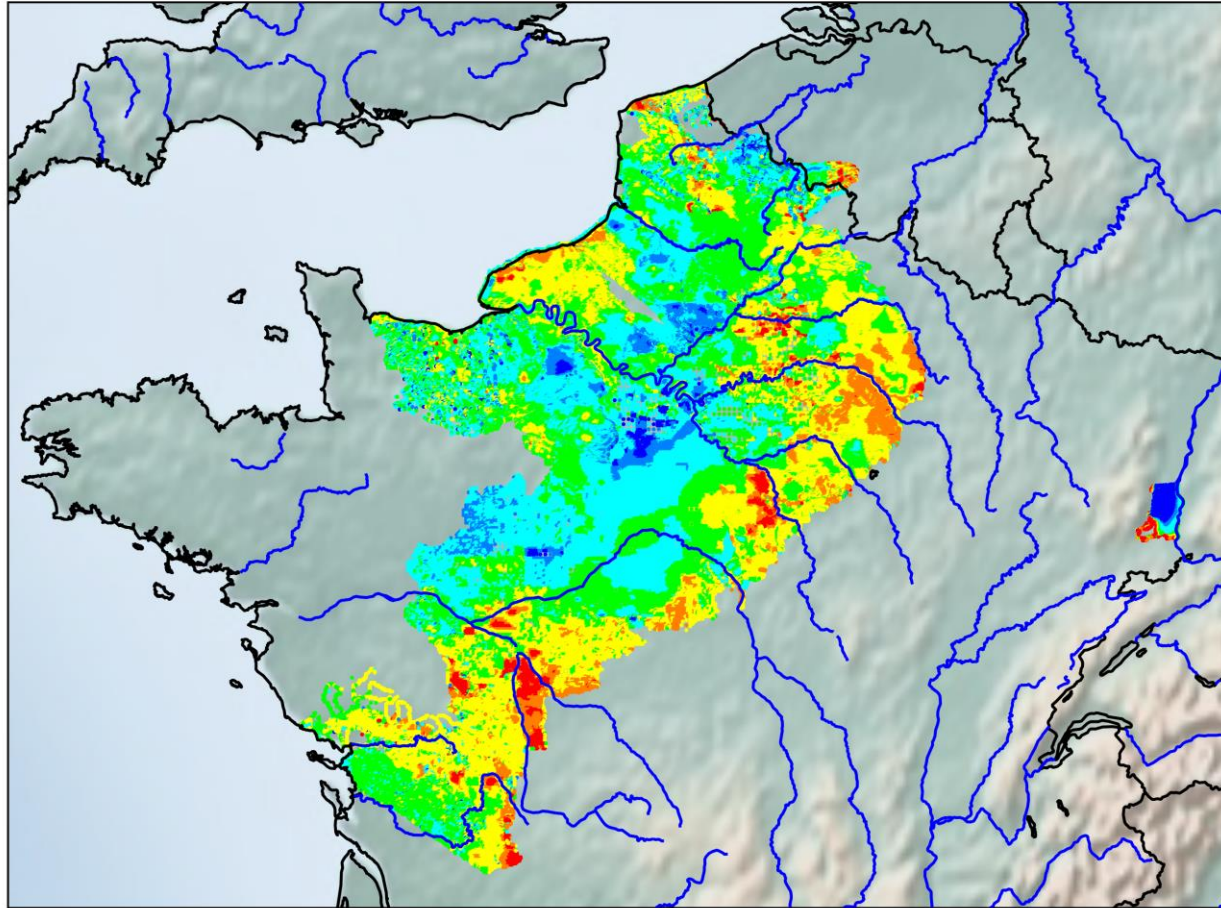
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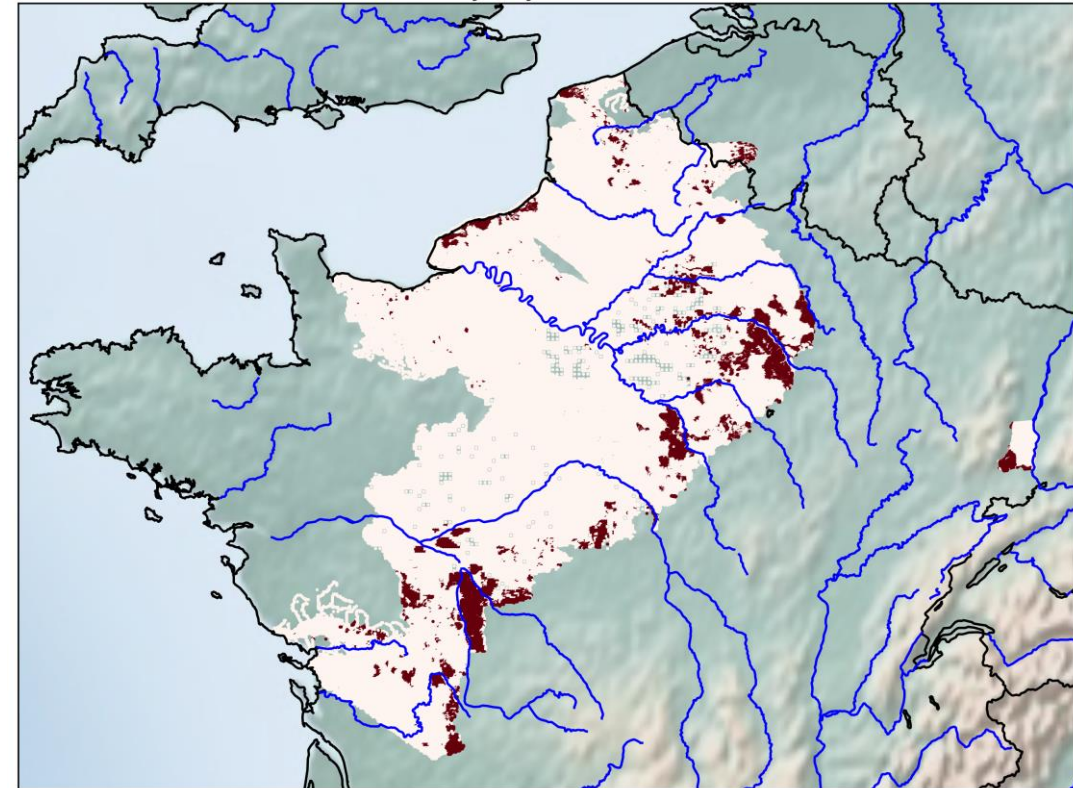
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REA - 2019 - March



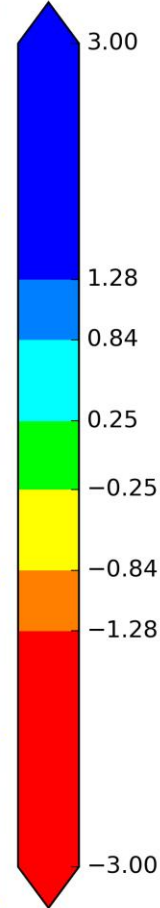
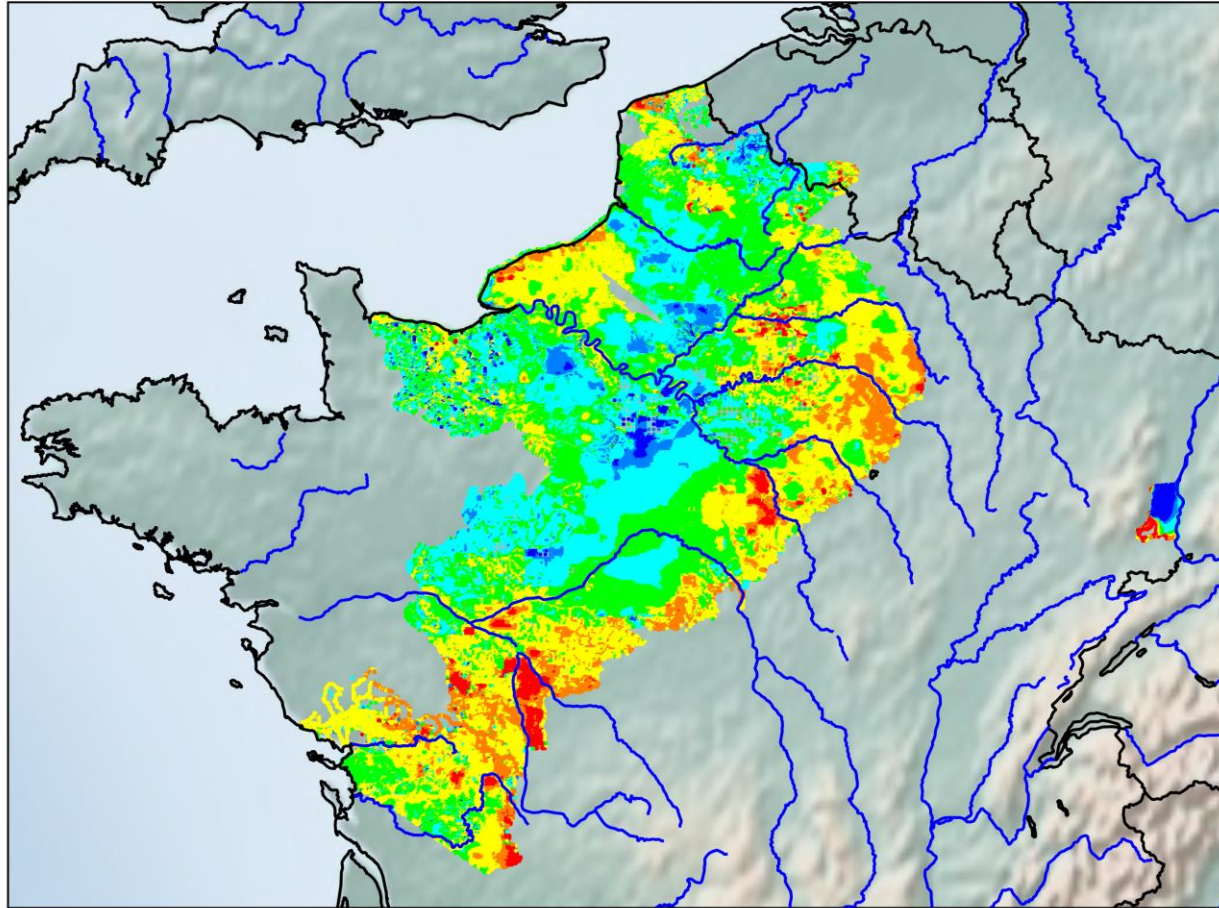
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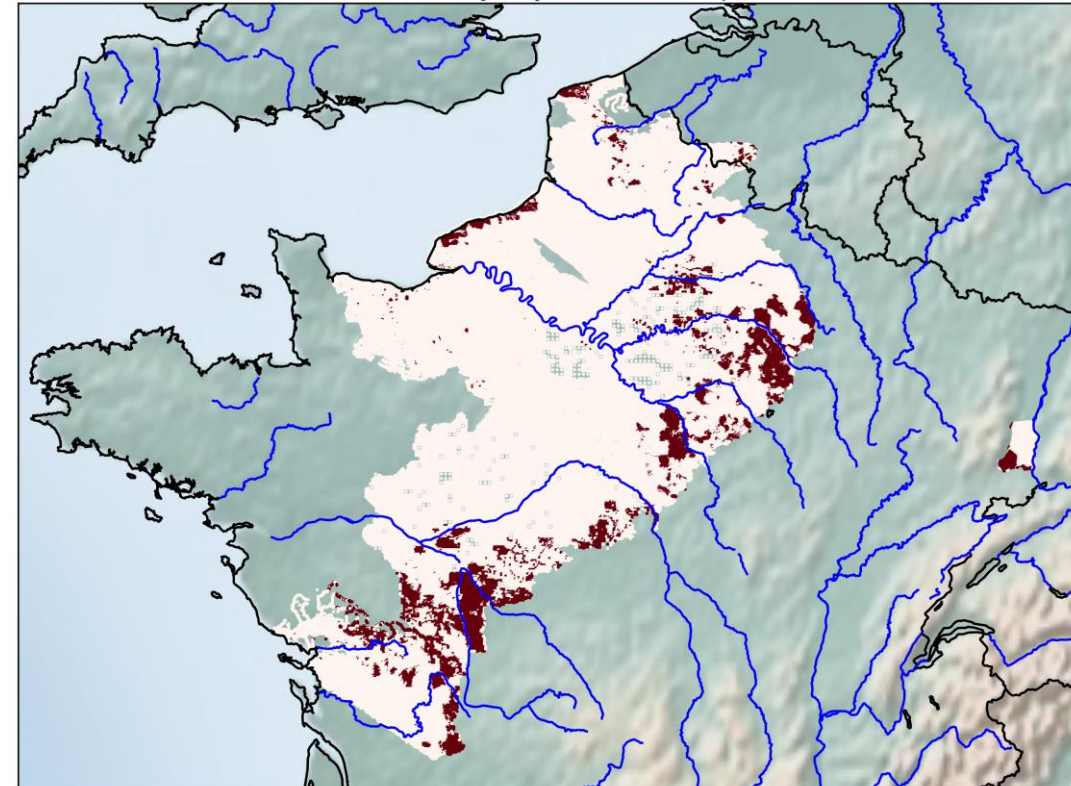
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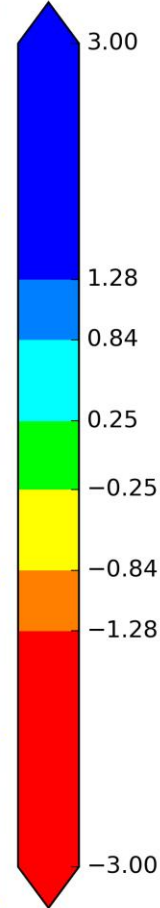
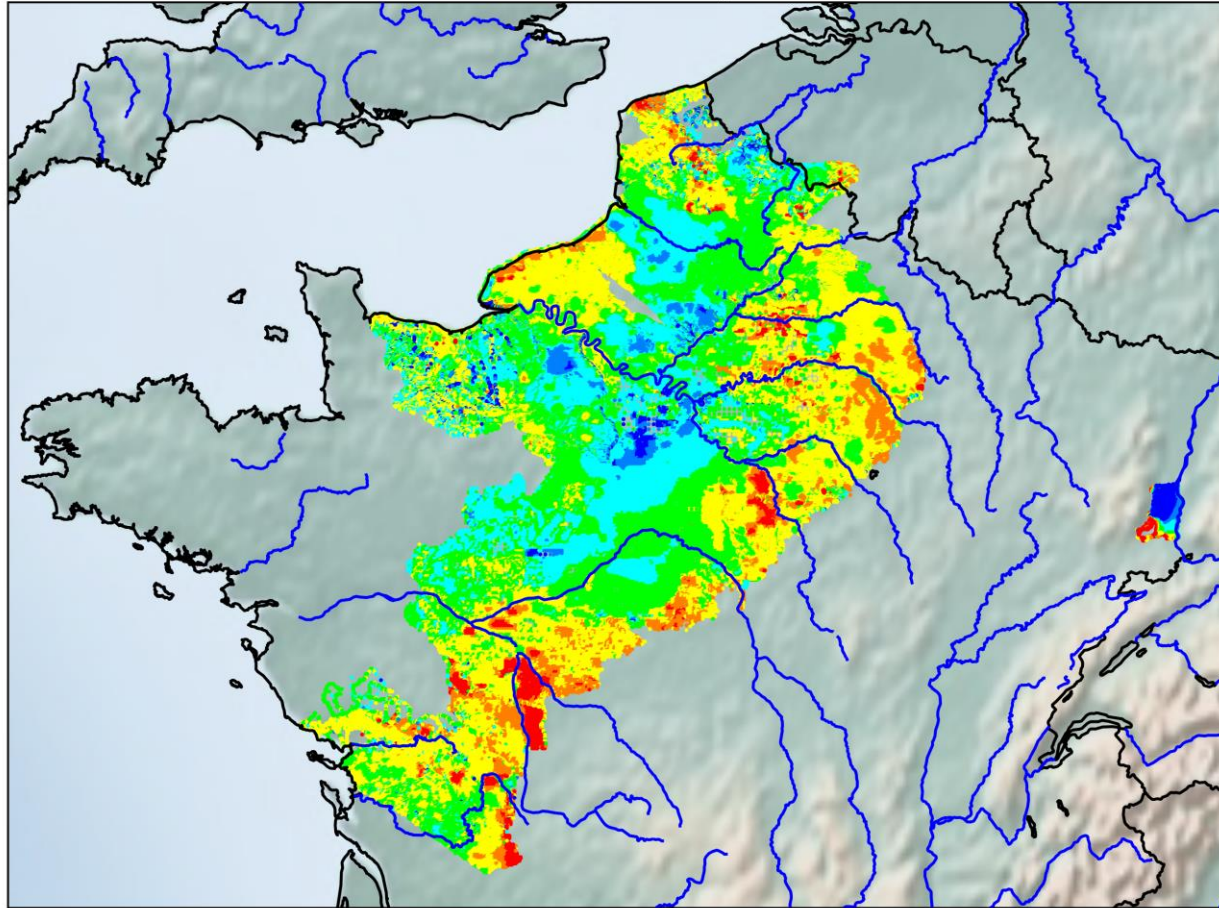
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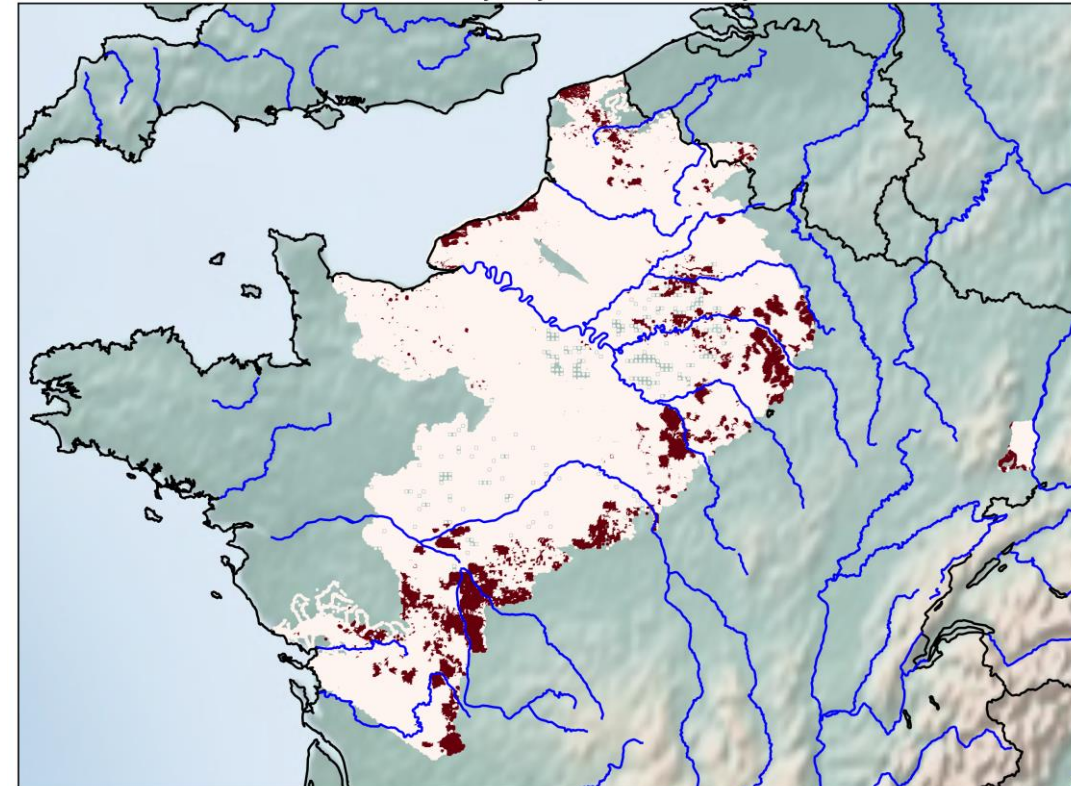
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REA - 2019 - May



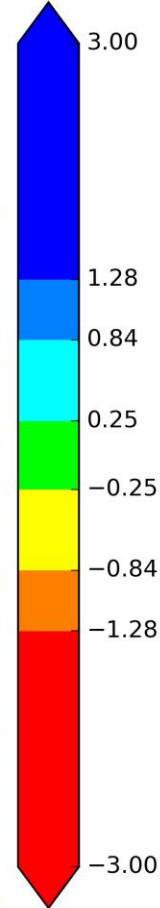
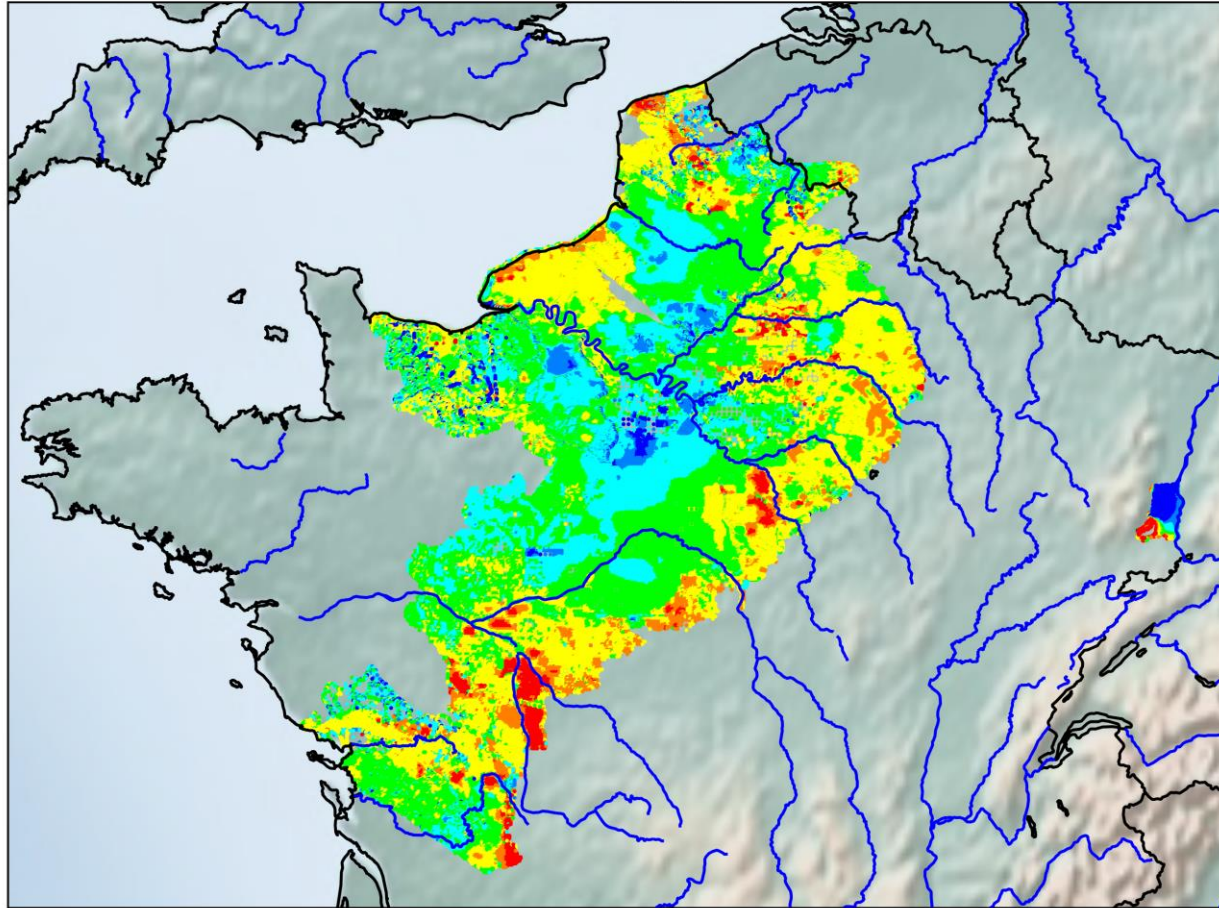
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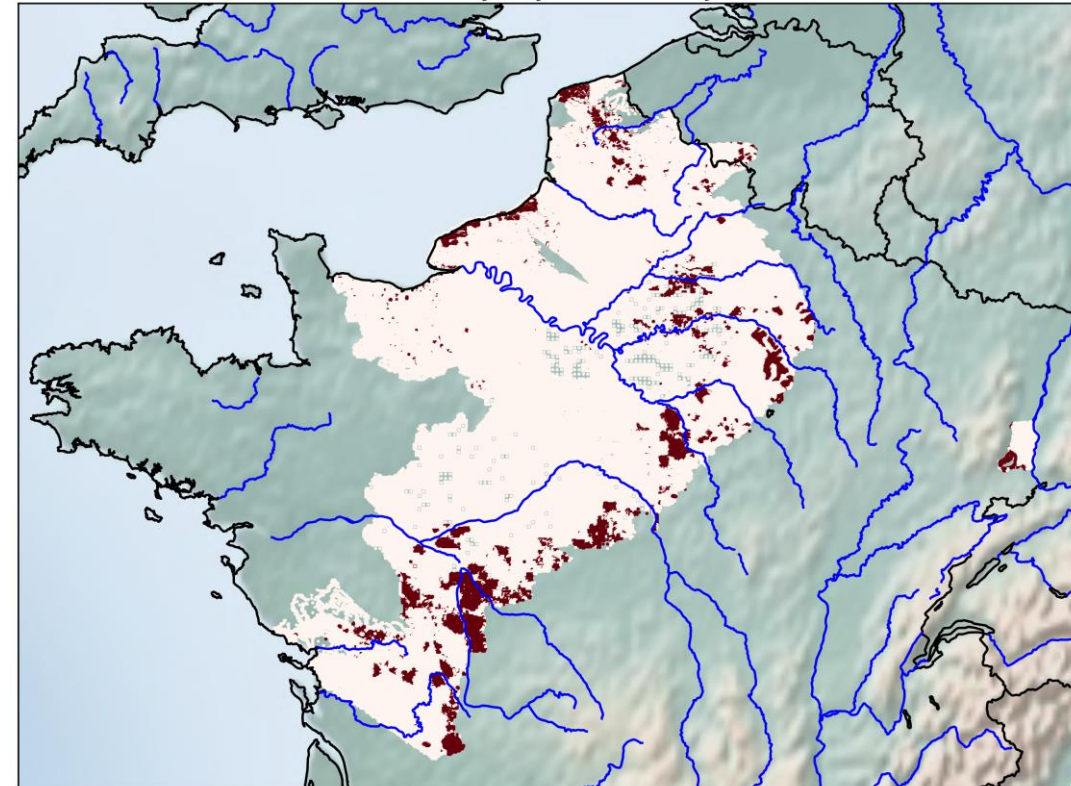
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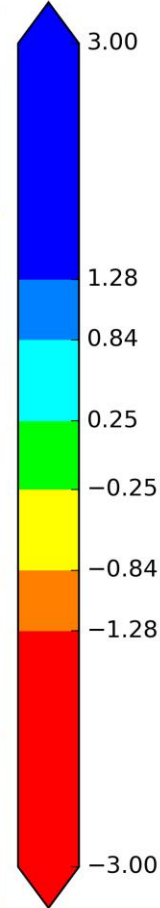
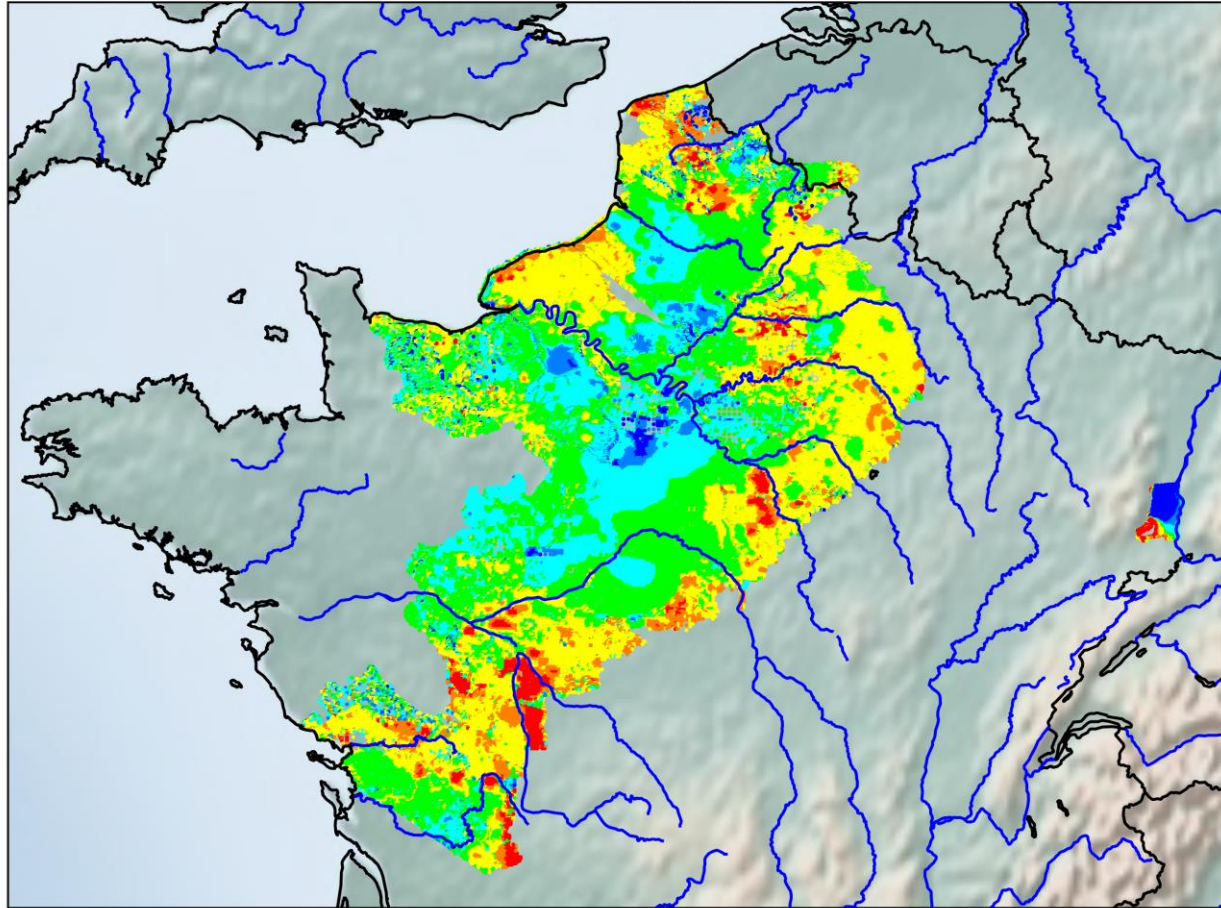
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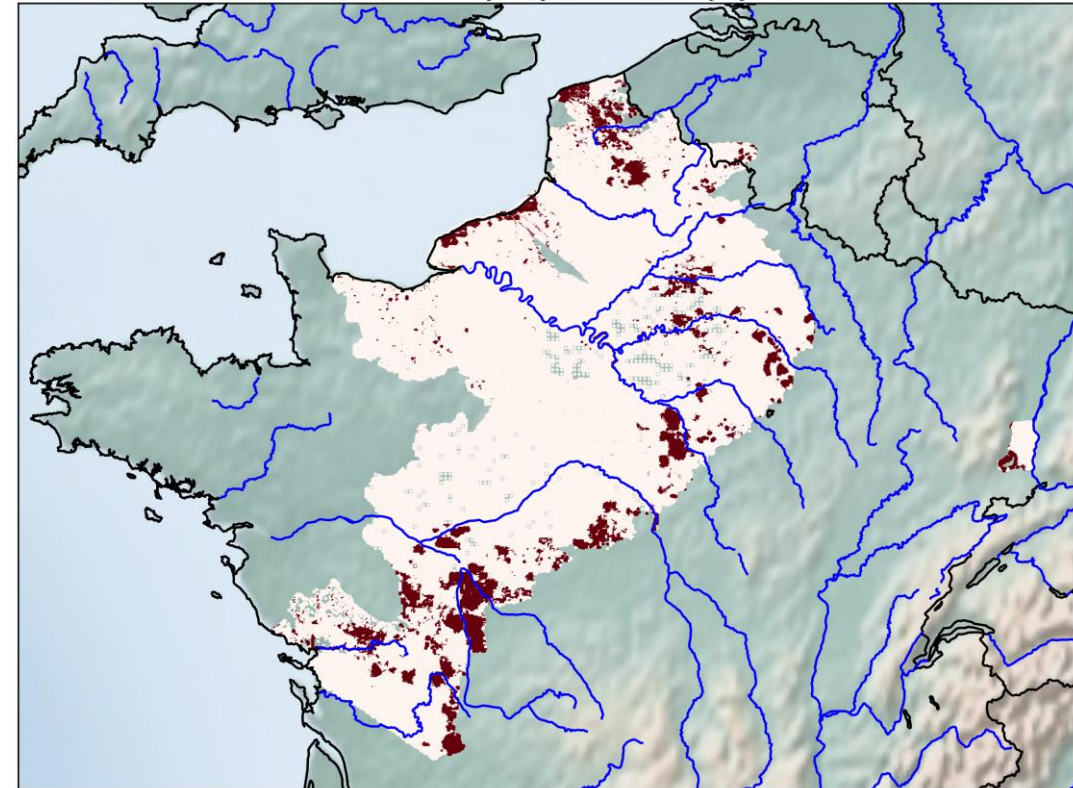
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REA - 2019 - July



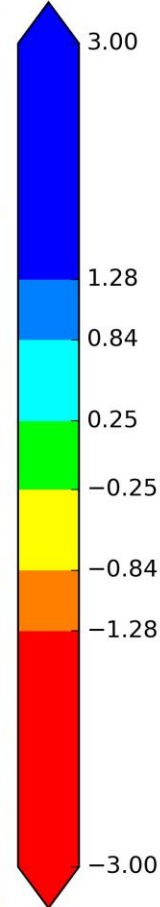
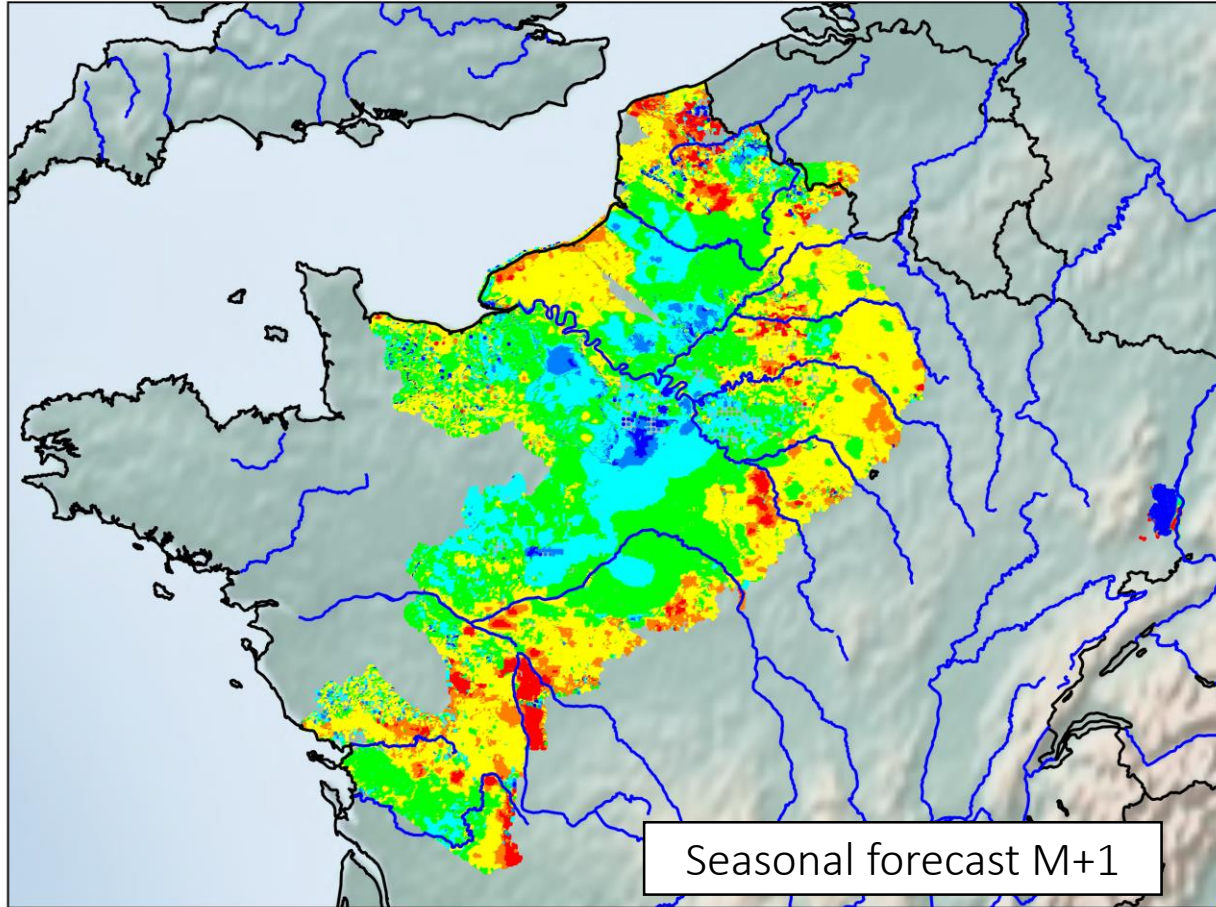
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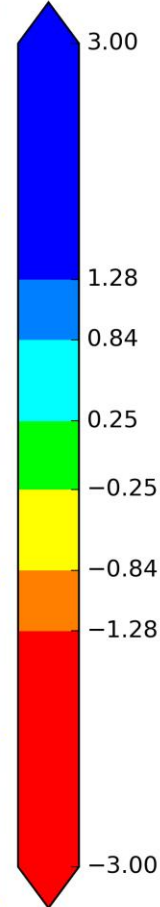
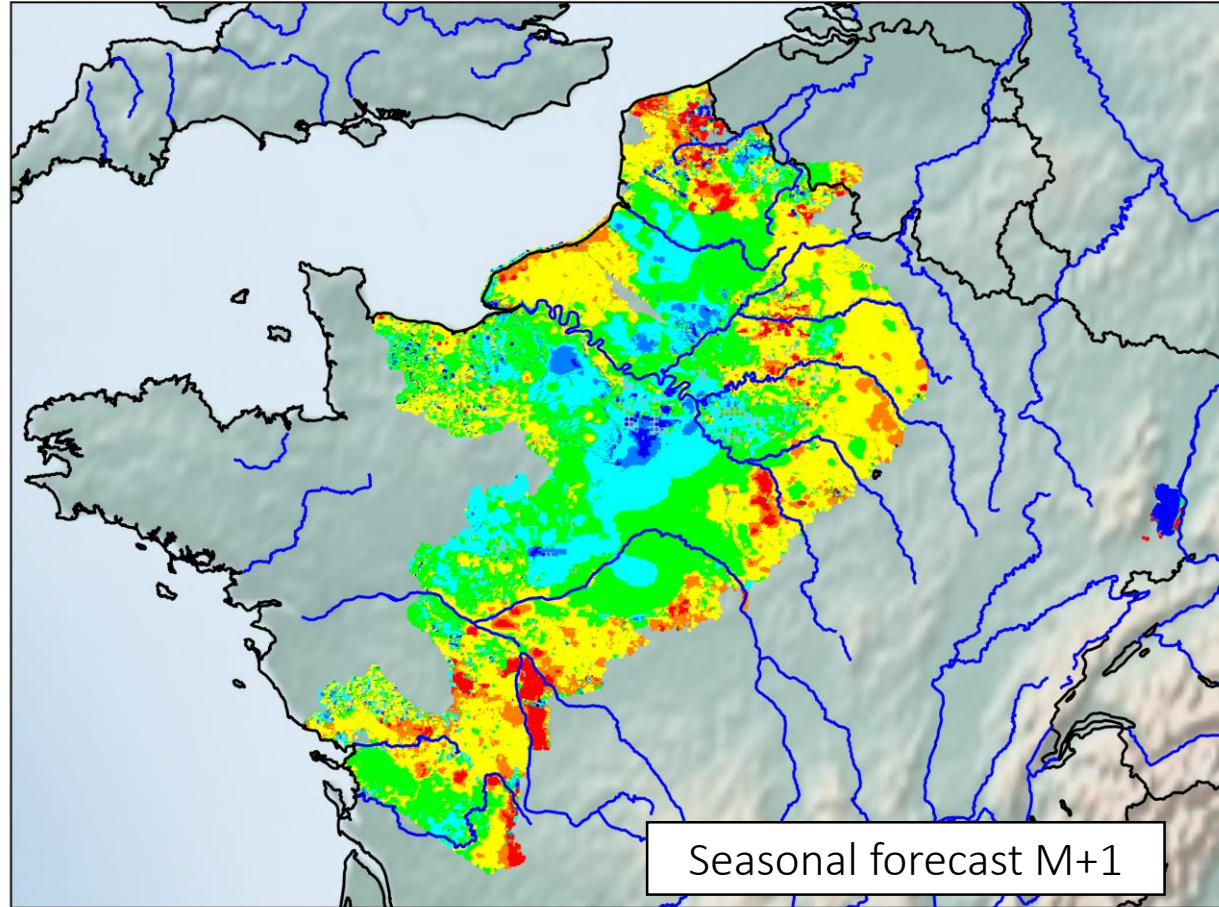
median PARP6 - 2019 - August



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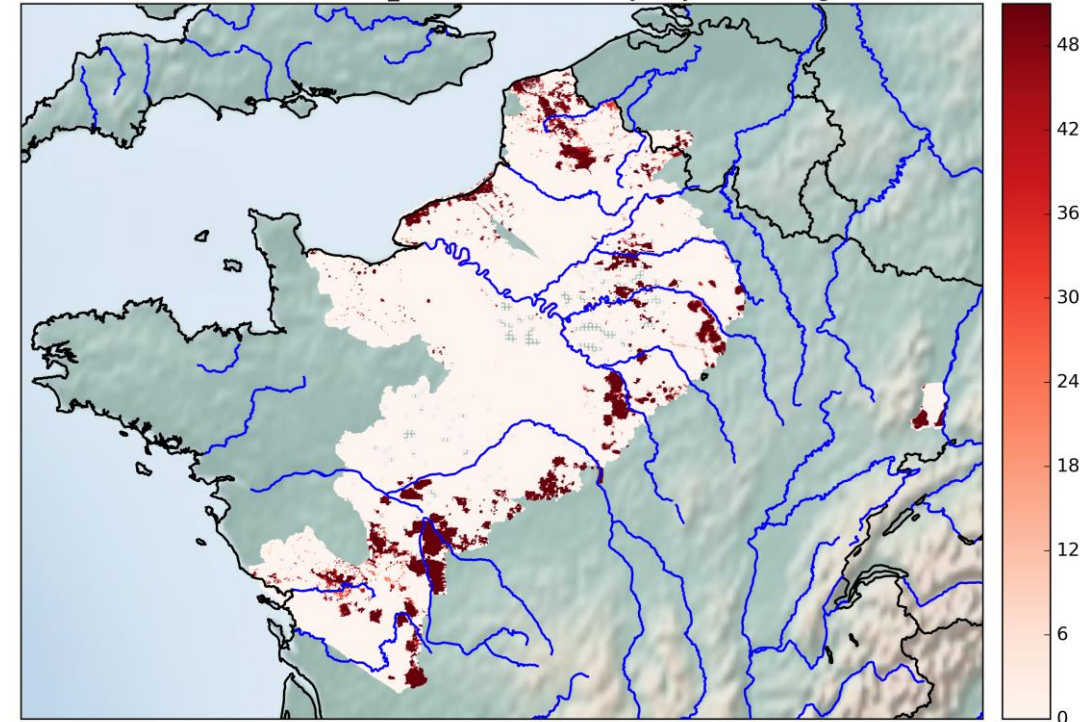
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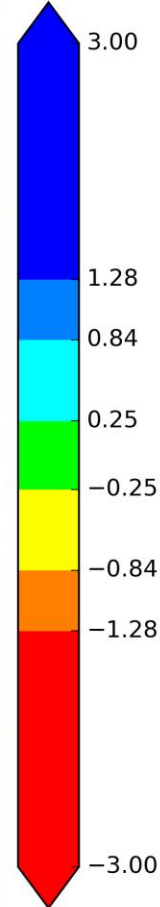
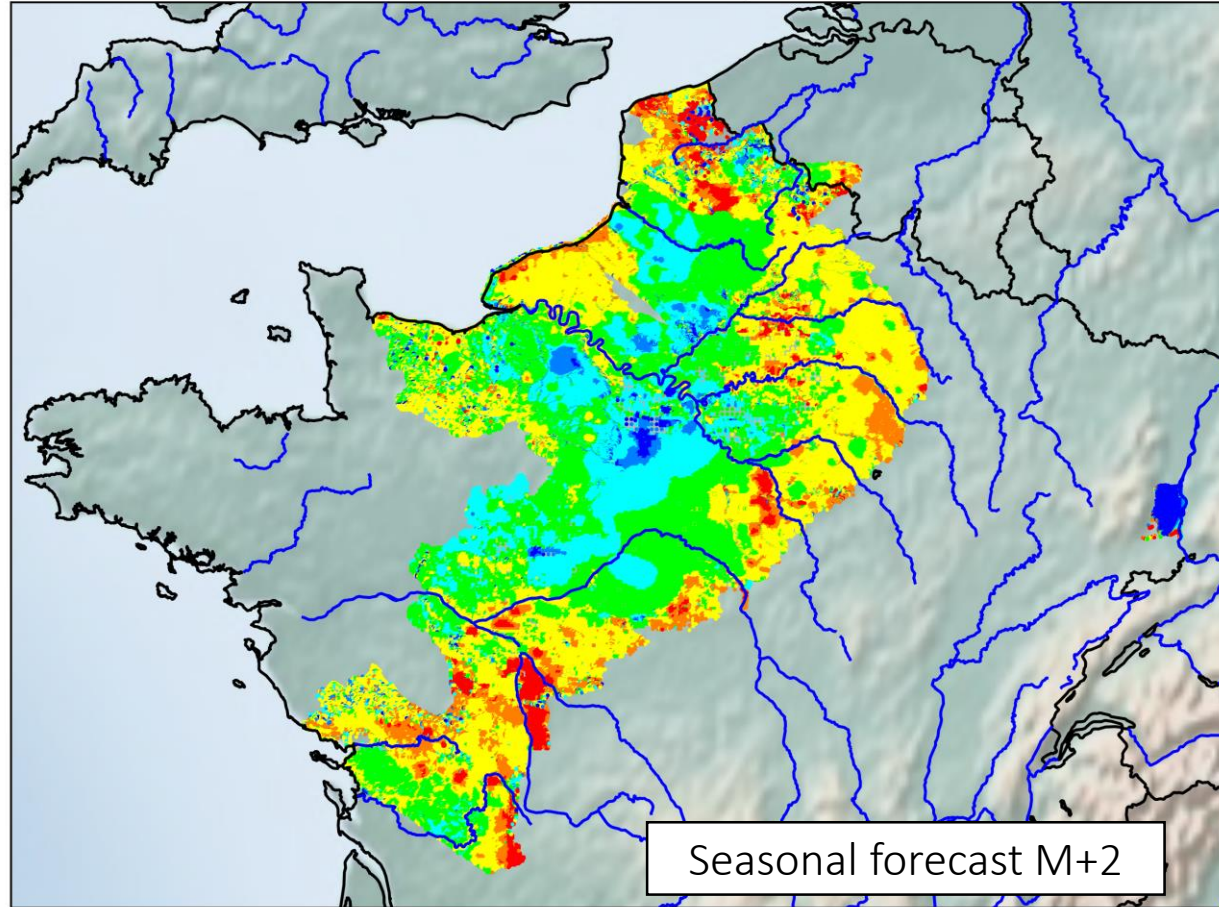
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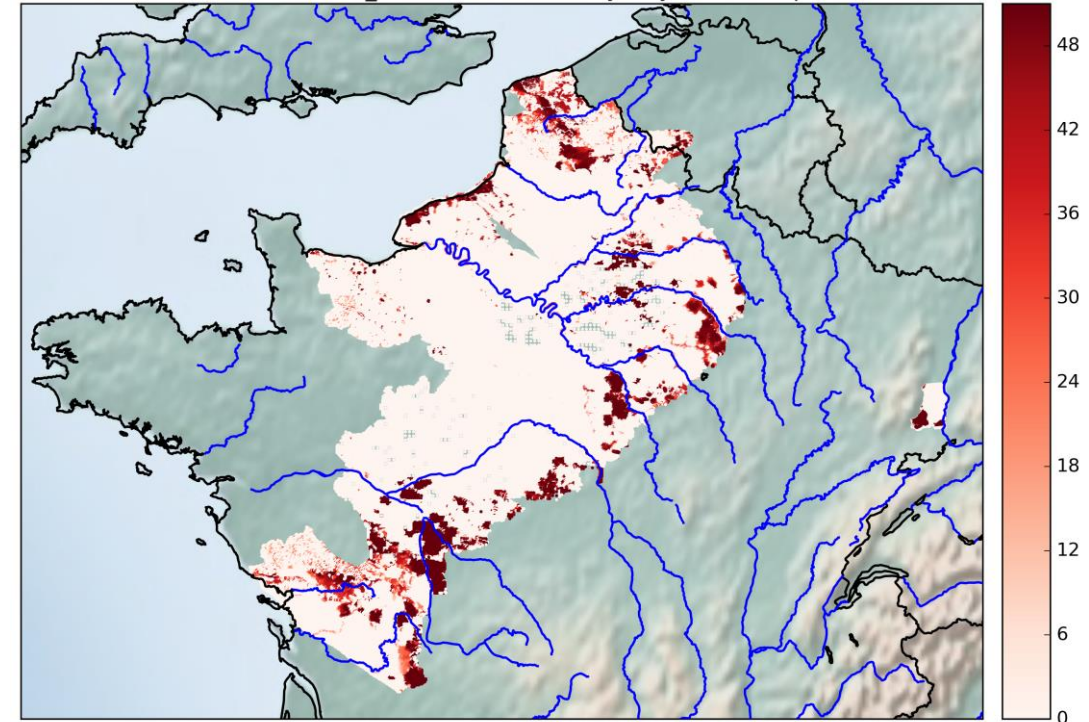
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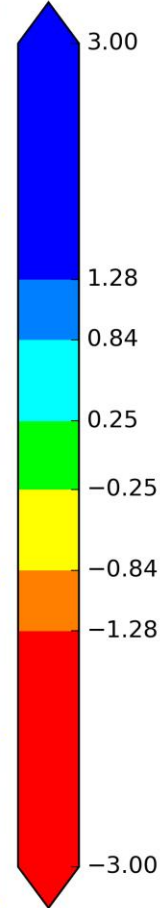
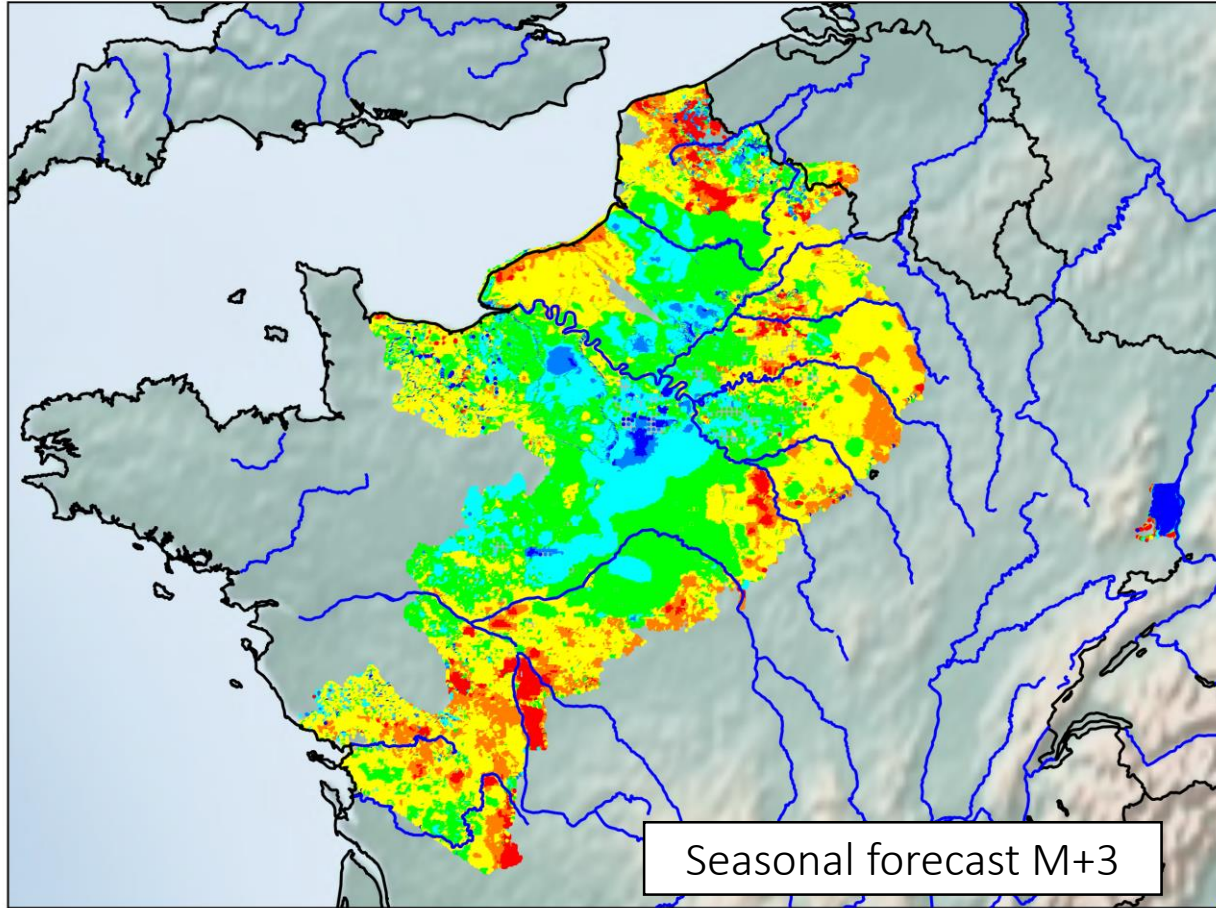
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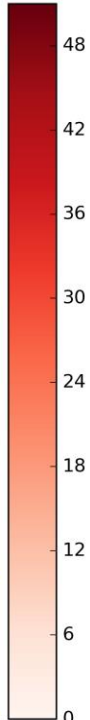
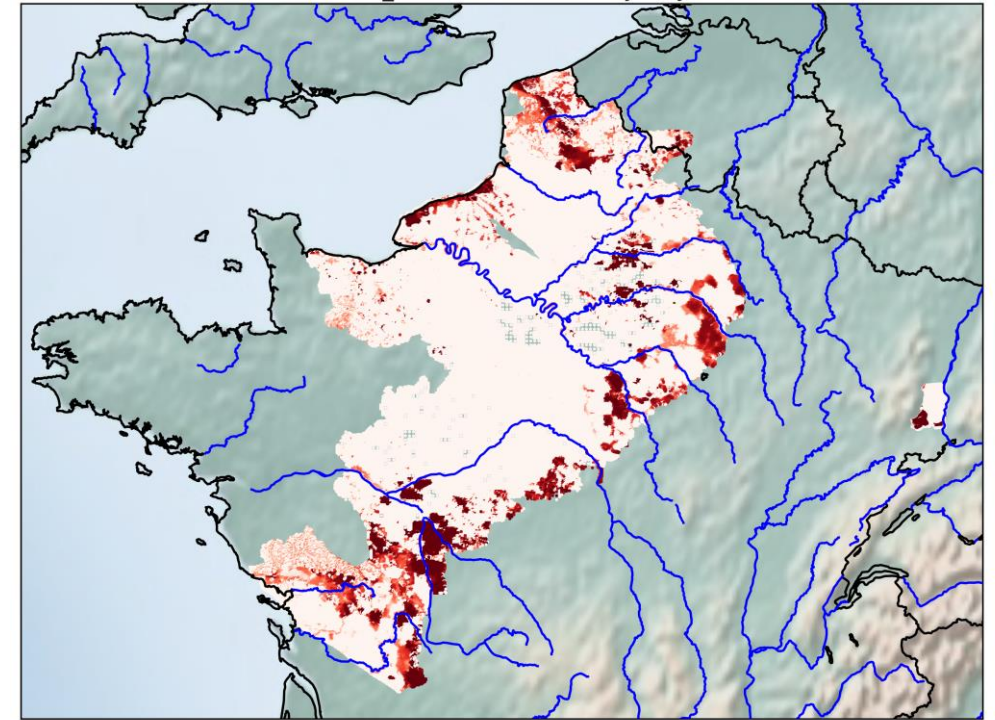
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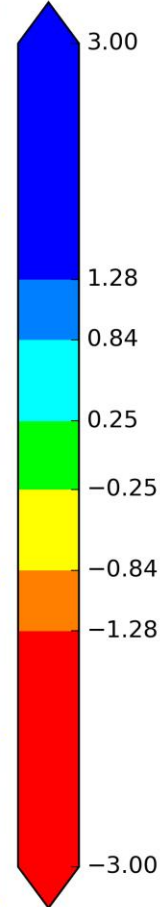
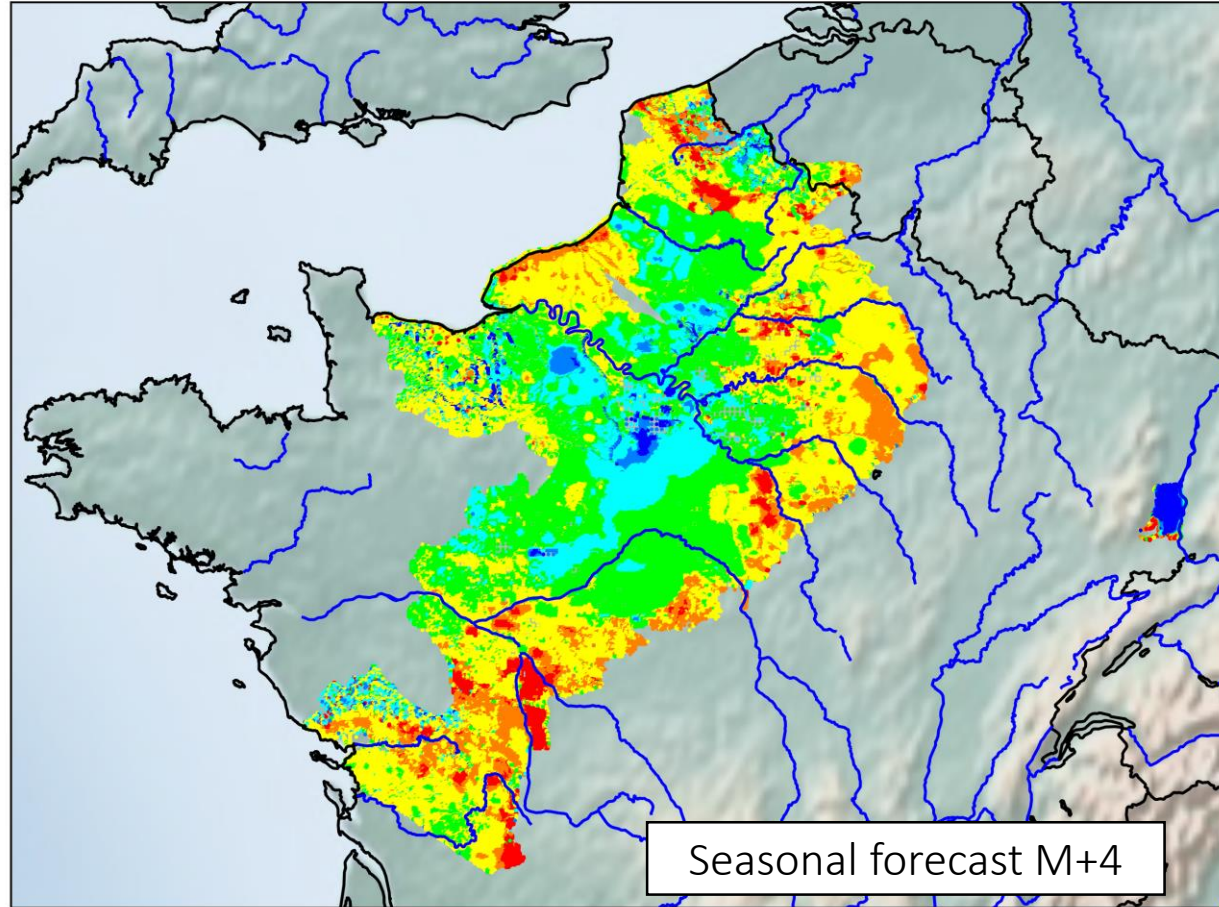
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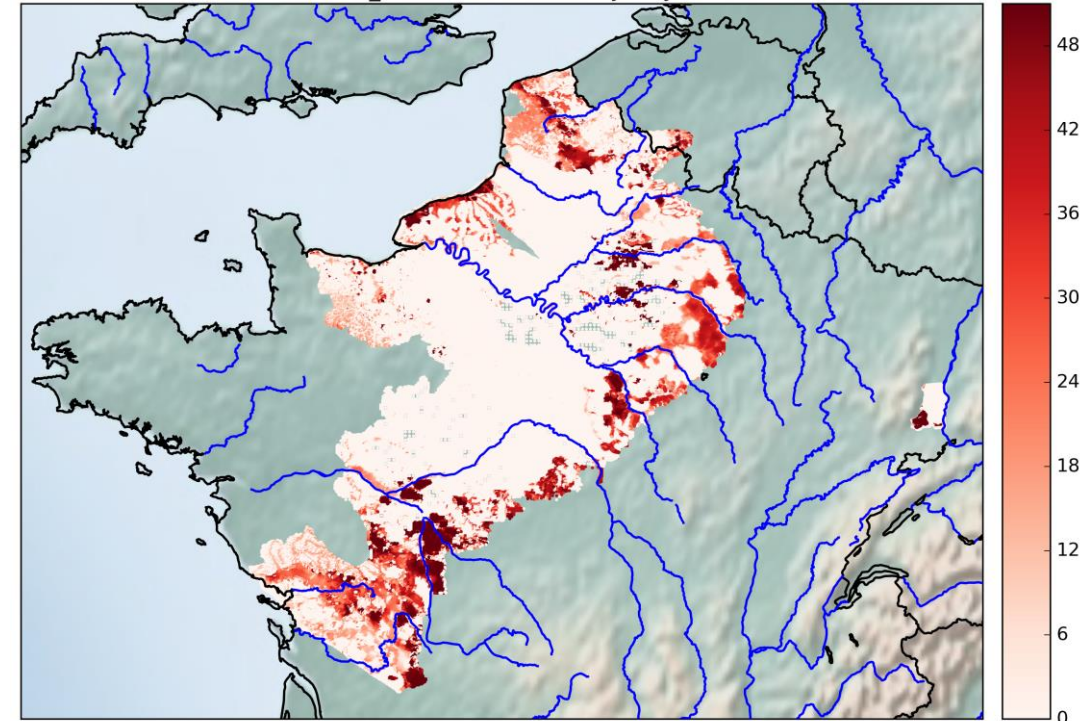
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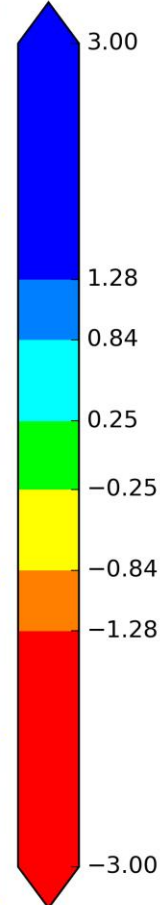
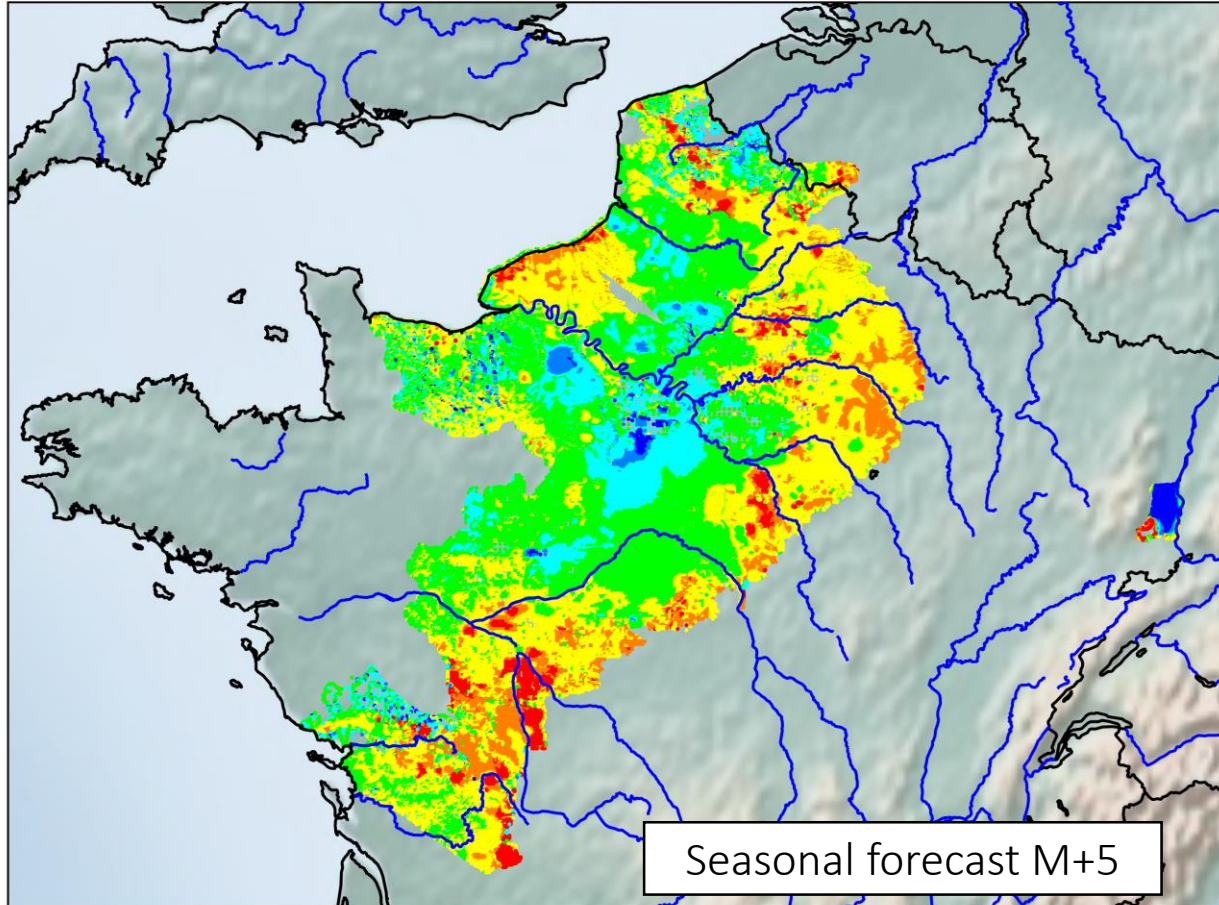
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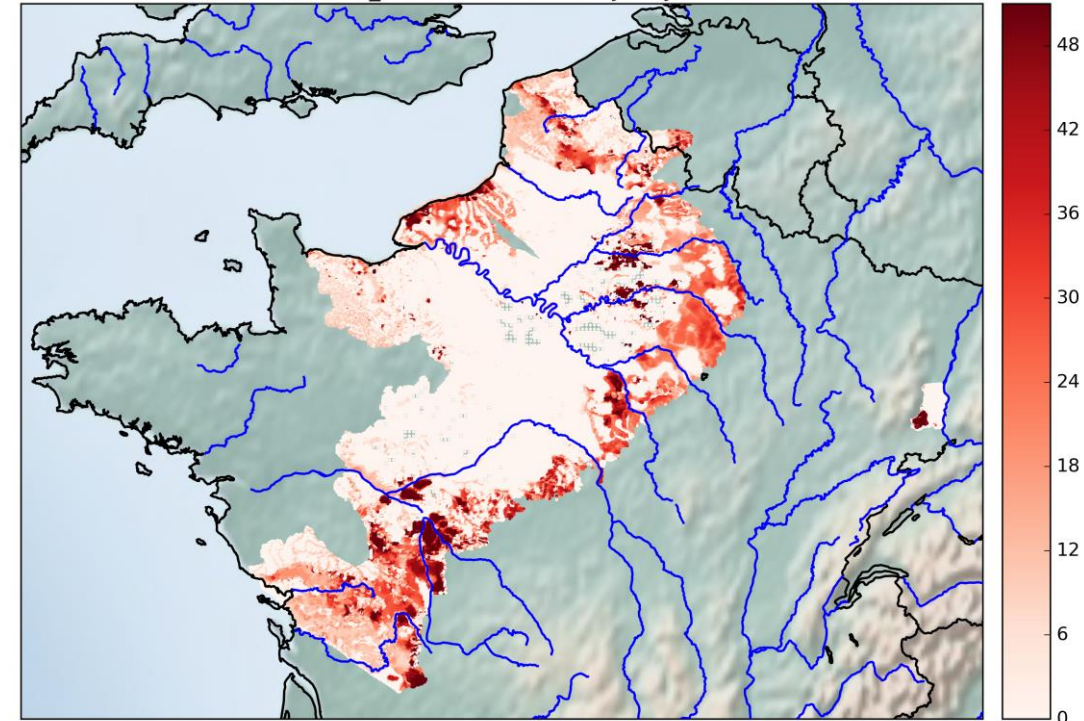
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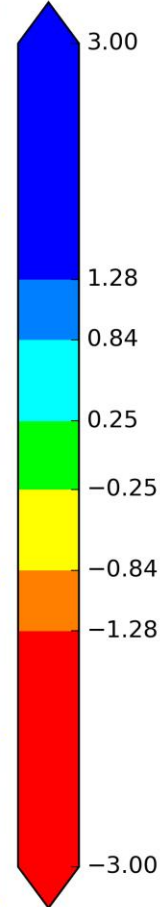
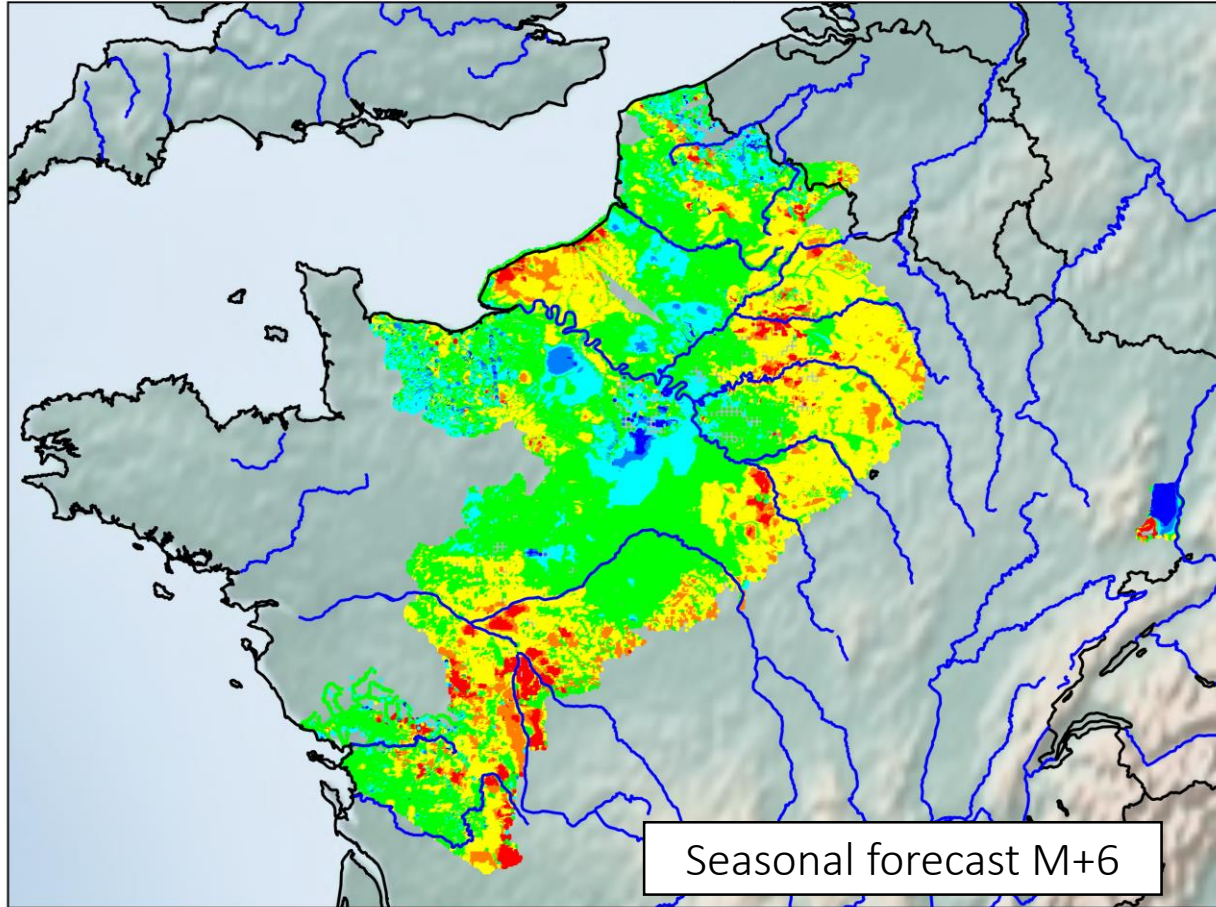
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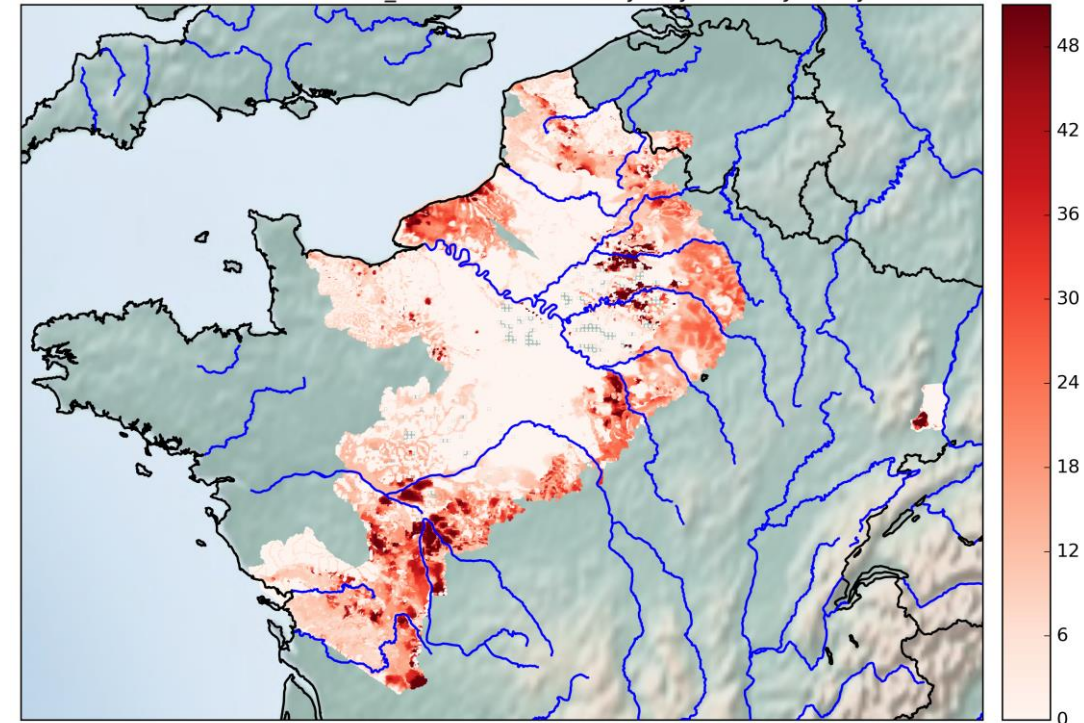
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Evaluation methods

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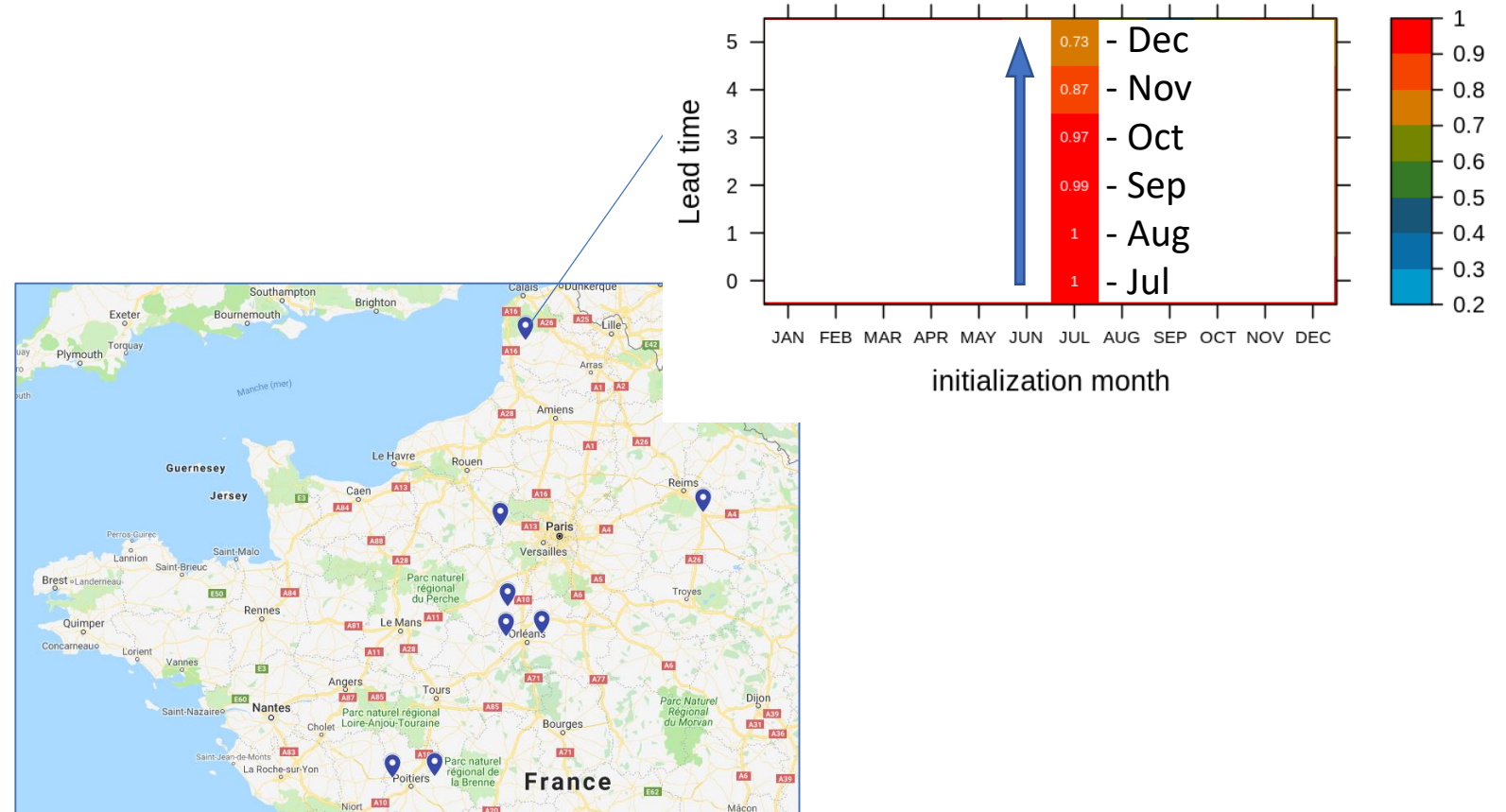
- 1993-2016: 24 years with 25 members
- Seasonal forecast each month for 6 months
- Comparison with REA long time run

- Statistical scores:

- CORR: temporal correlation between the same months of each year
 - Correlation between the SF mean and the reference REA
 - Perfect score: 1
- RPSS: ranked probability skill score
 - Evaluation of the ranking
 - Are the SF mean and the REA ranked in the same order without taking into account the absolute values ?
 - Perfect score: 1

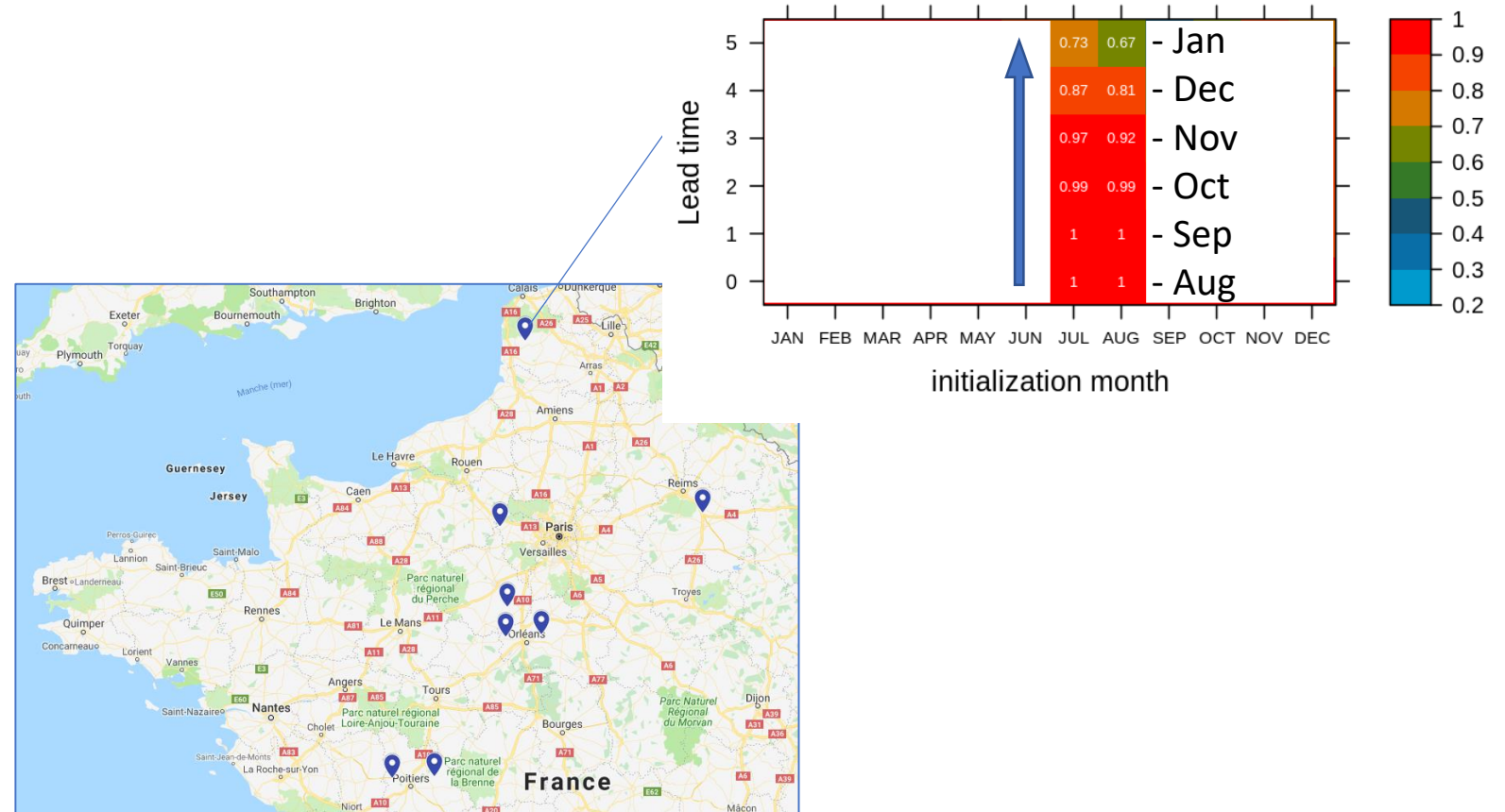
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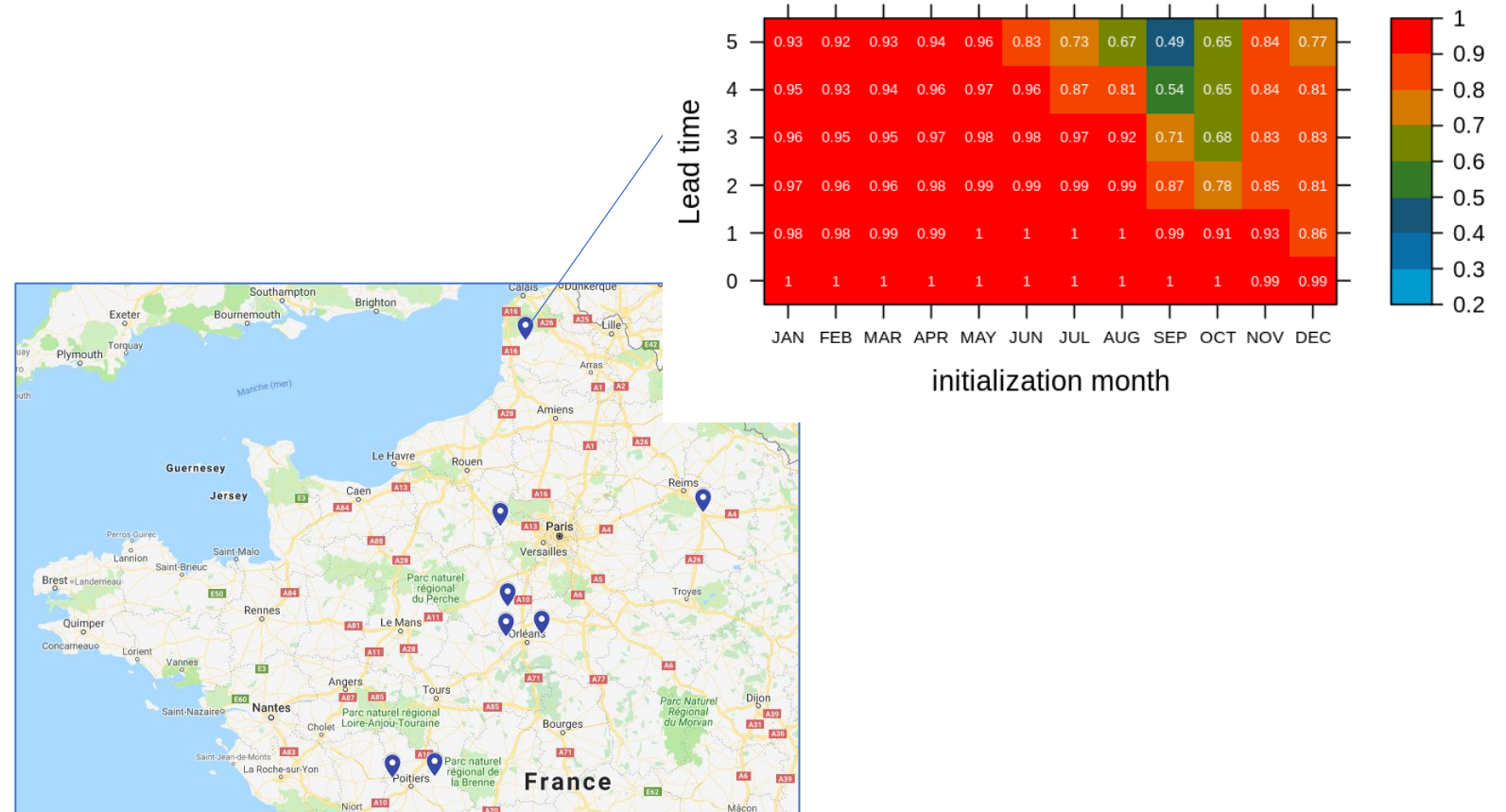
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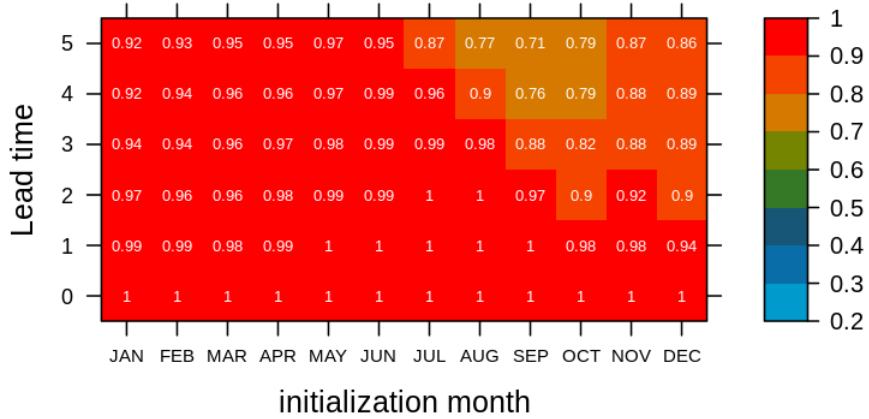
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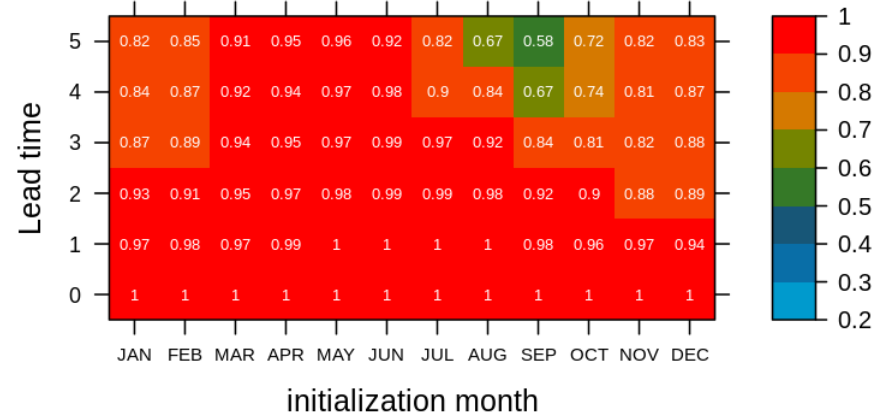
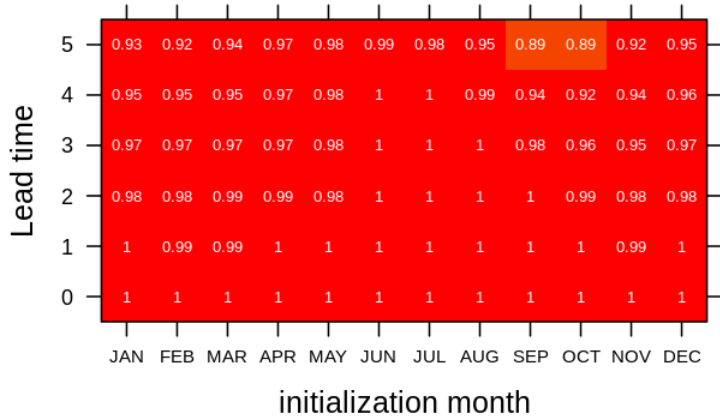
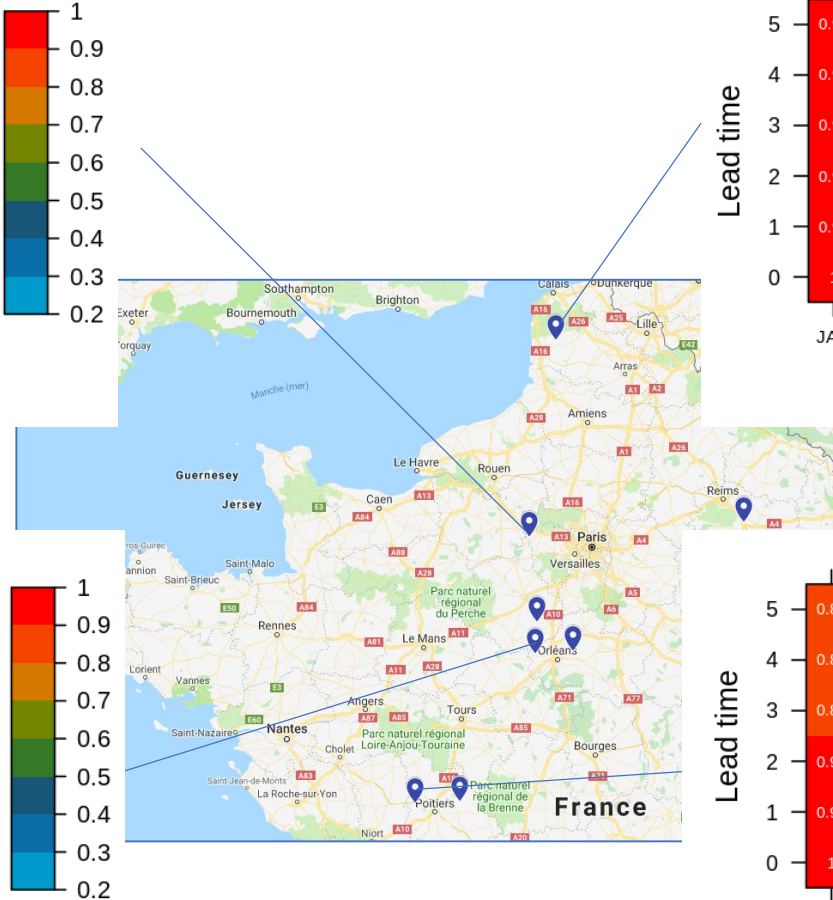
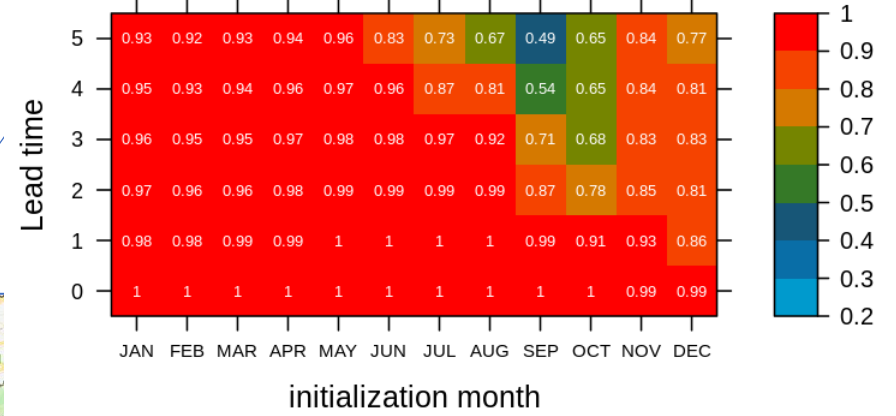


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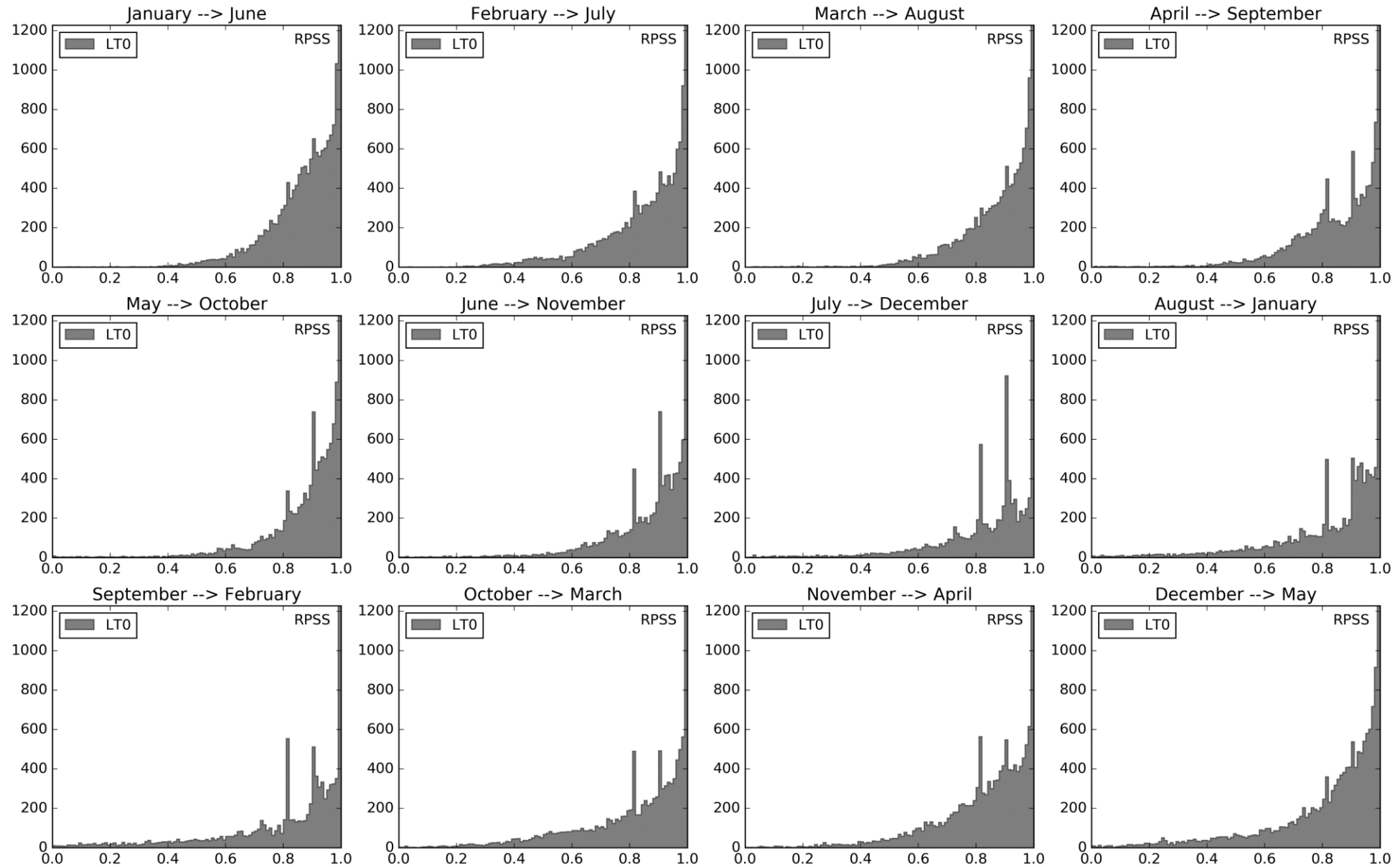
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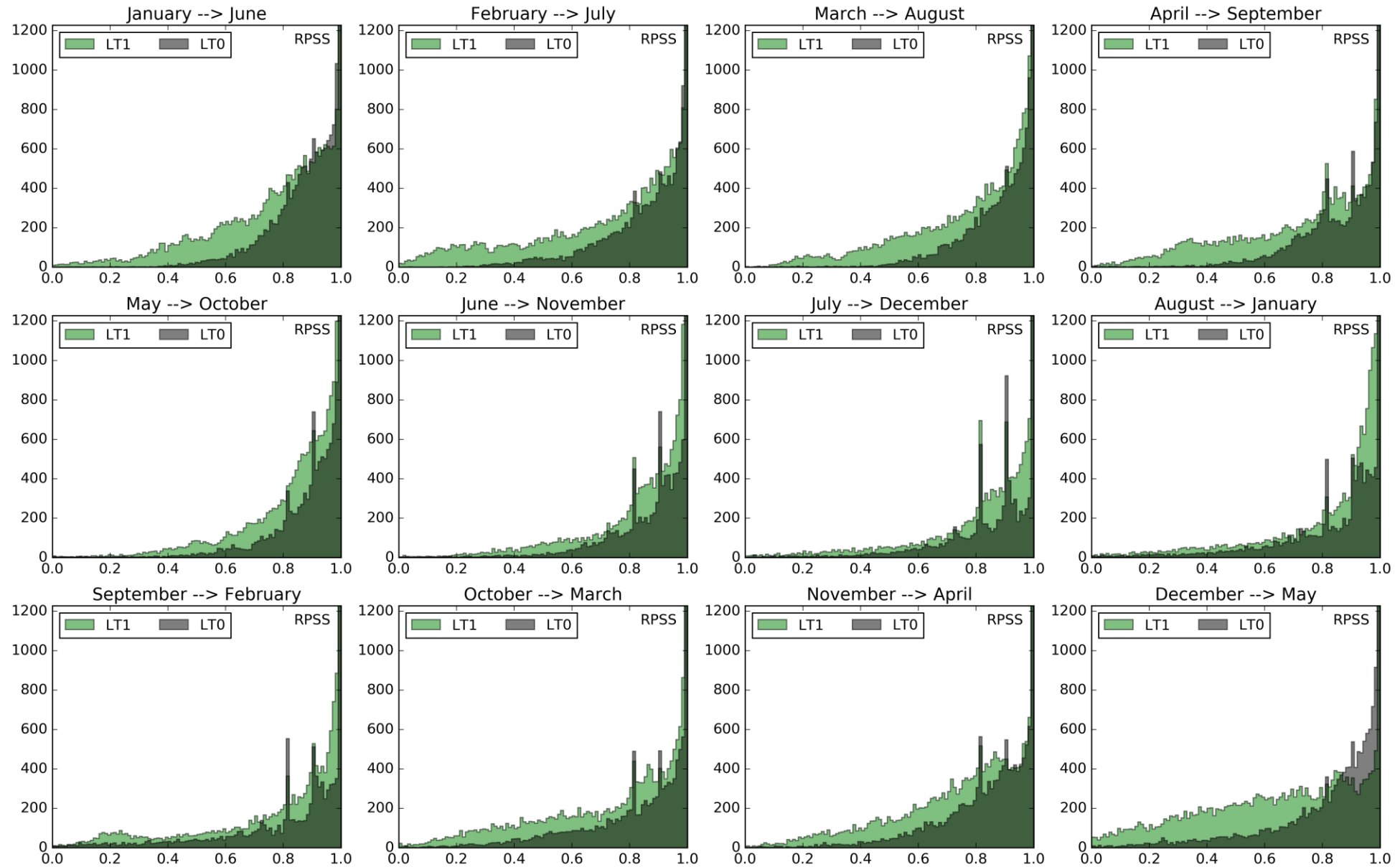
Summary and perspectives

- National platform to monitor and forecast the groundwater levels
 - More applications are coming: Britain, South Western region
- We propose a more spatial point of view
 - Good way to assess drought extents
- Not shown here:
 - Good rates of drought detection (95% the 1st month of forecast to 50% the 6th month)
 - PCLIM using past real atmospheric forcing instead of forecasts
- Perspectives:
 - Finish the evaluation of PCLIM to assess the benefit of ARPEGE system 6, identify when and where it is more relevant to use one or the other
 - Continue our discussions with the stakeholders in order to build the best indicator for their need
 - Investigate the benefit of the spread from the ensemble to compute a confidence index

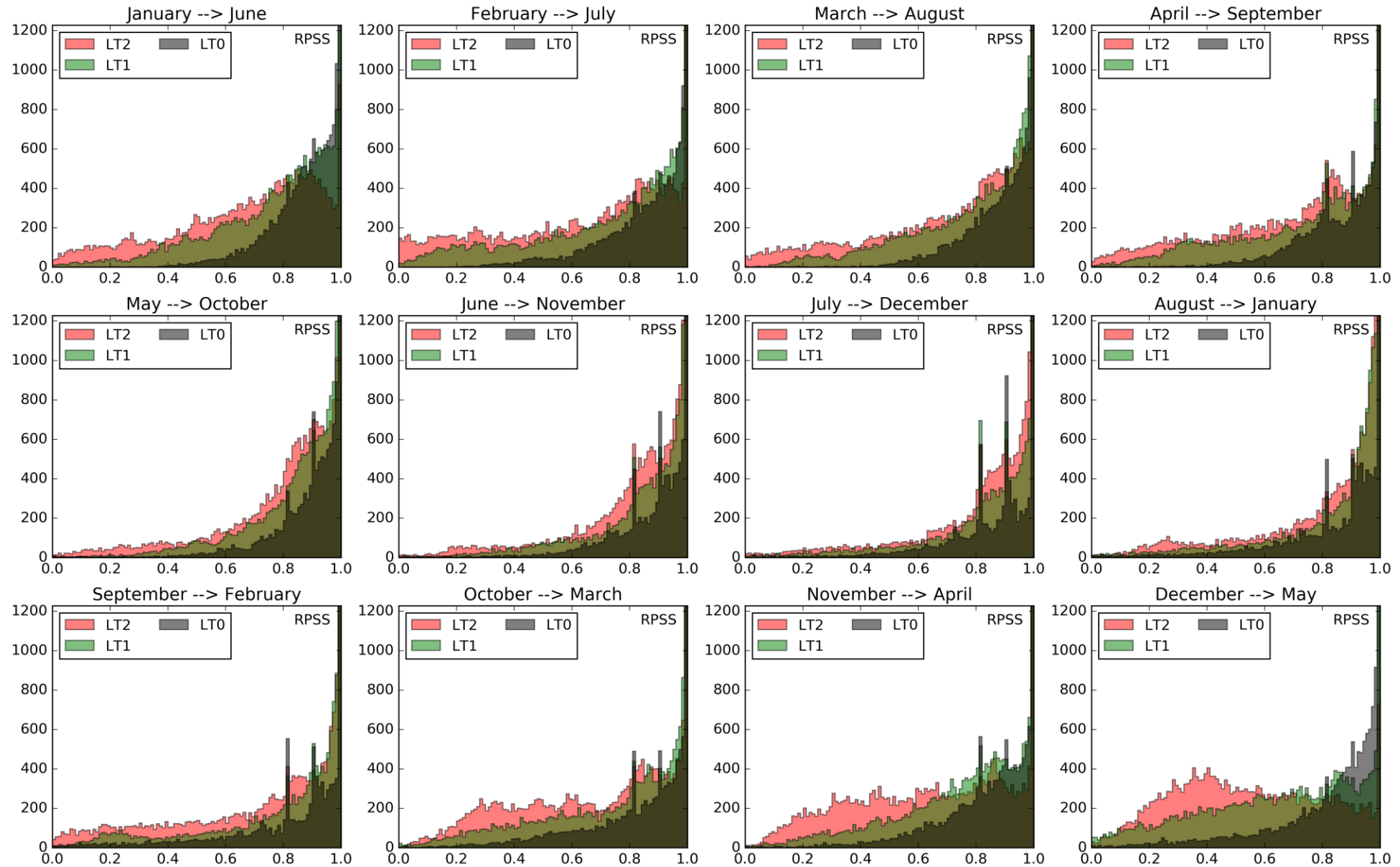
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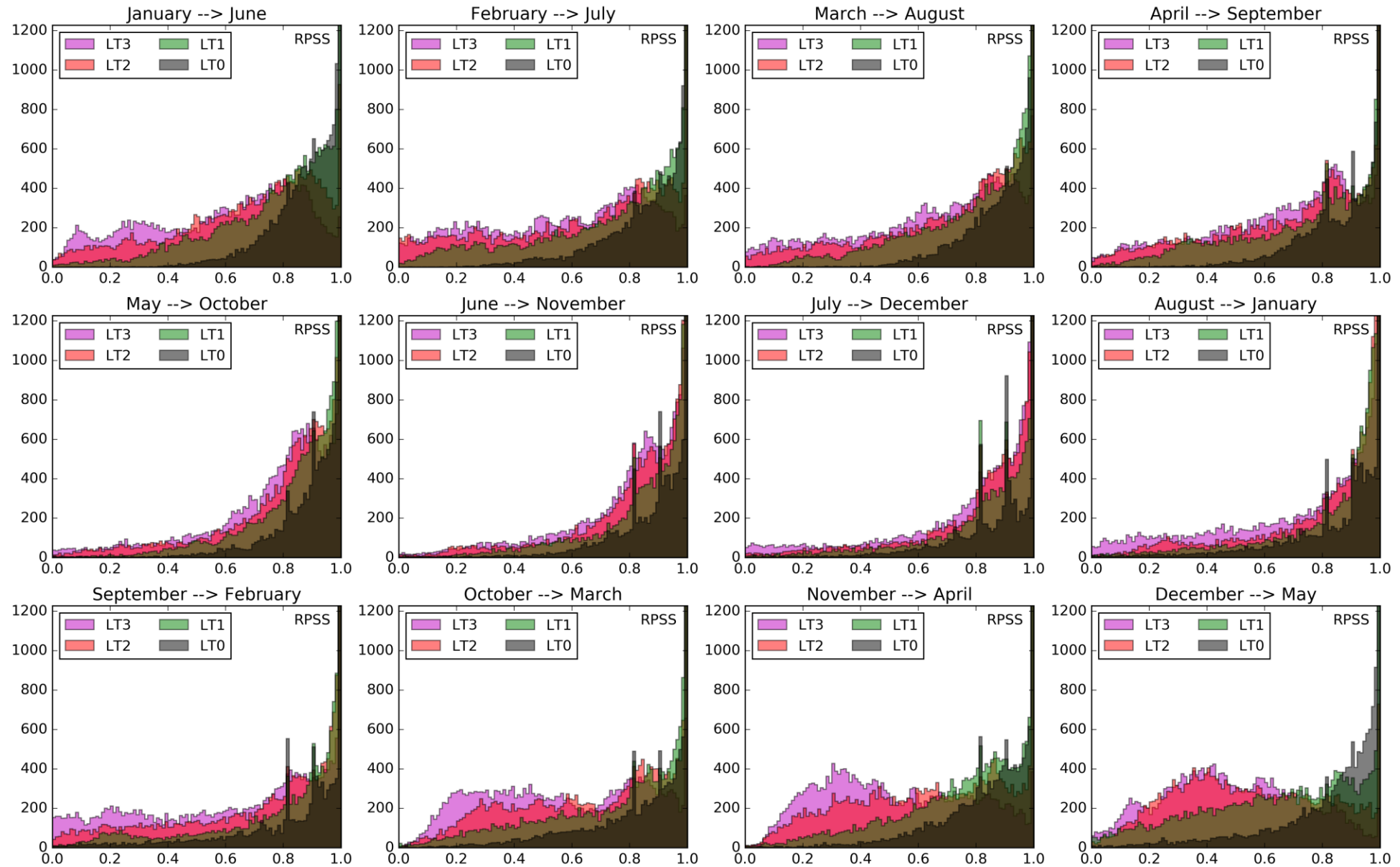
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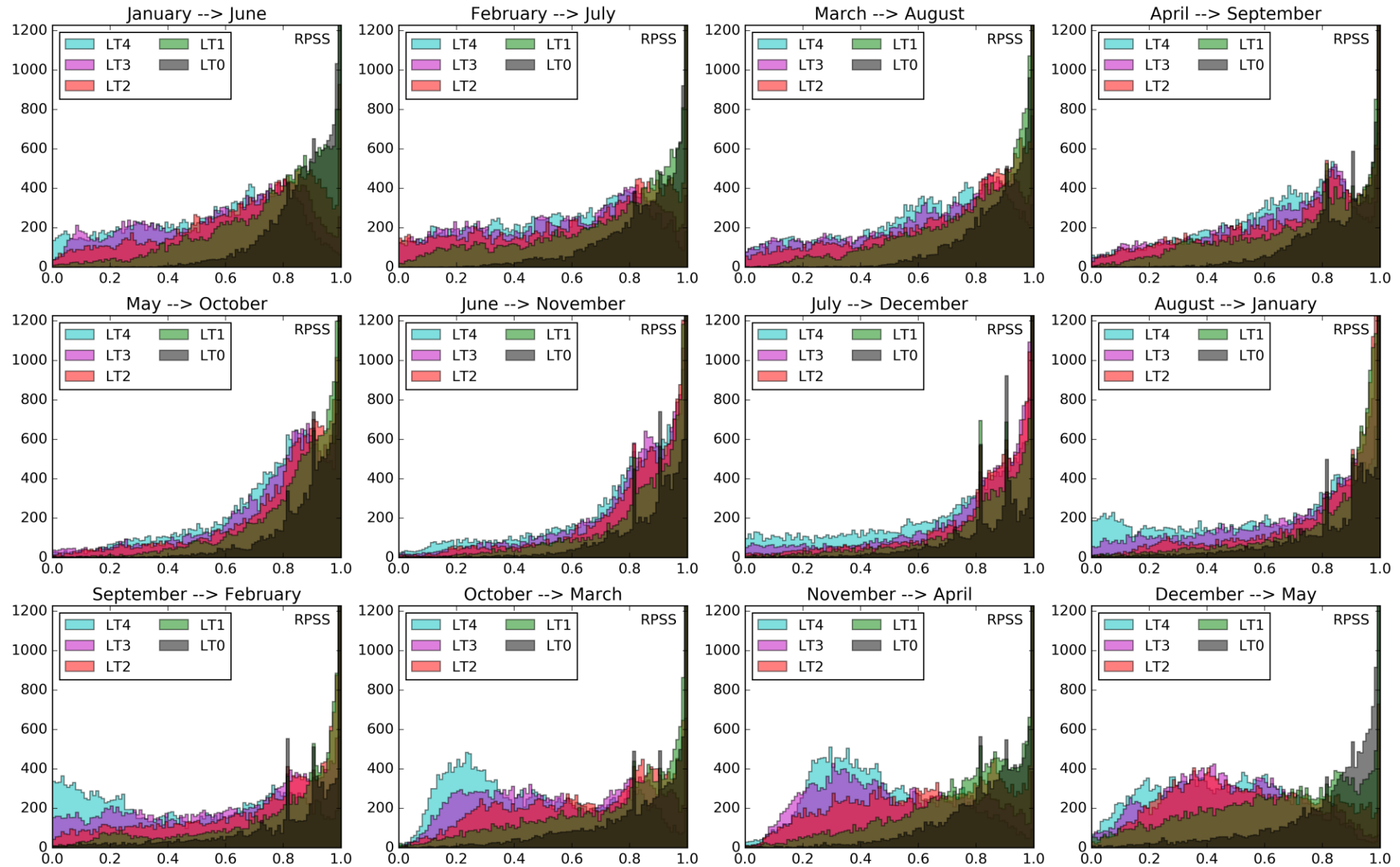
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