



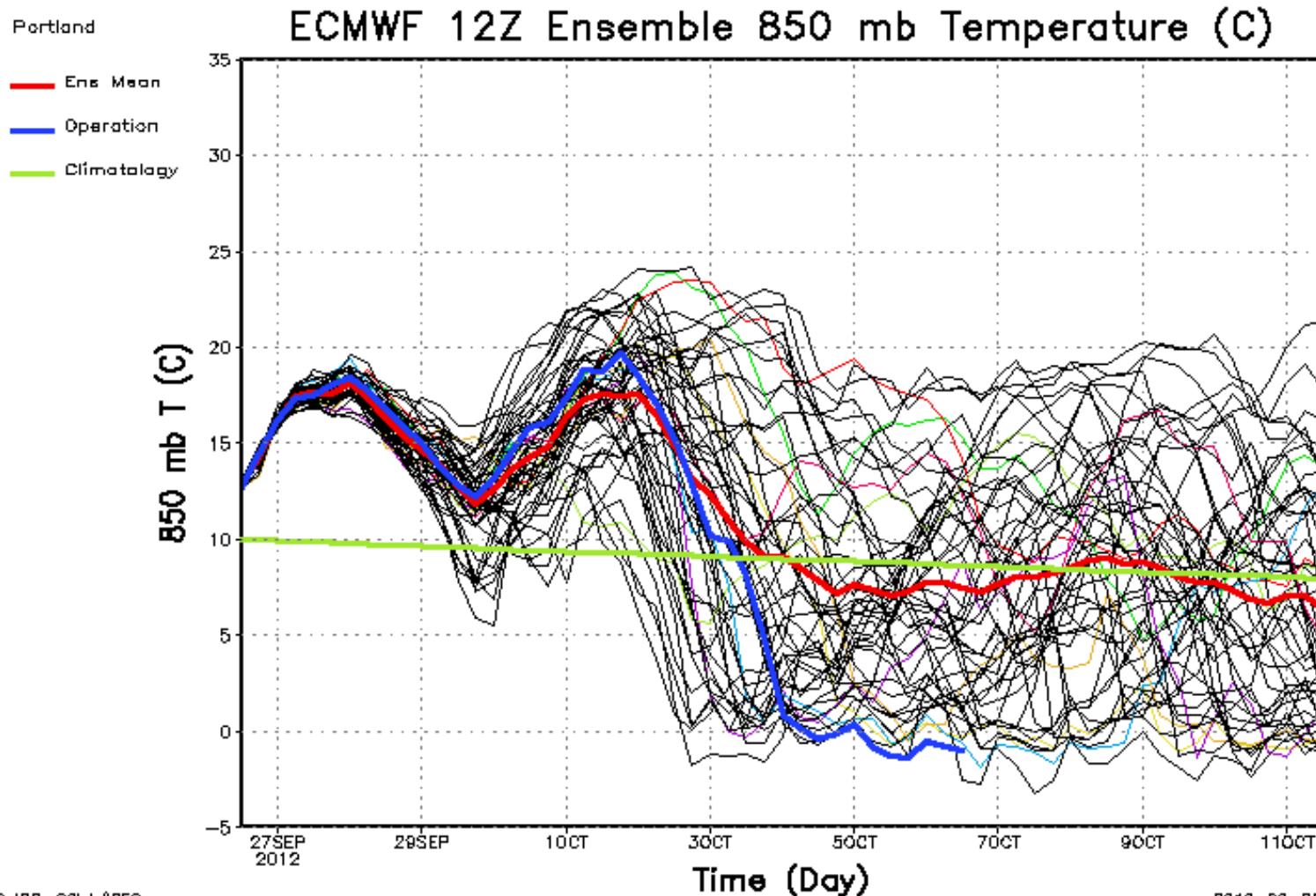
# Stochastic perturbation of parameters in SL-AV model

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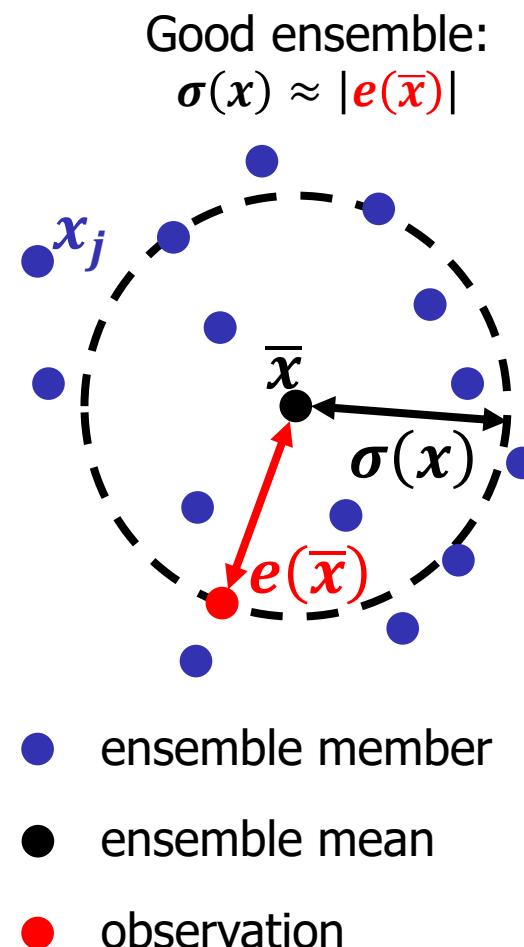
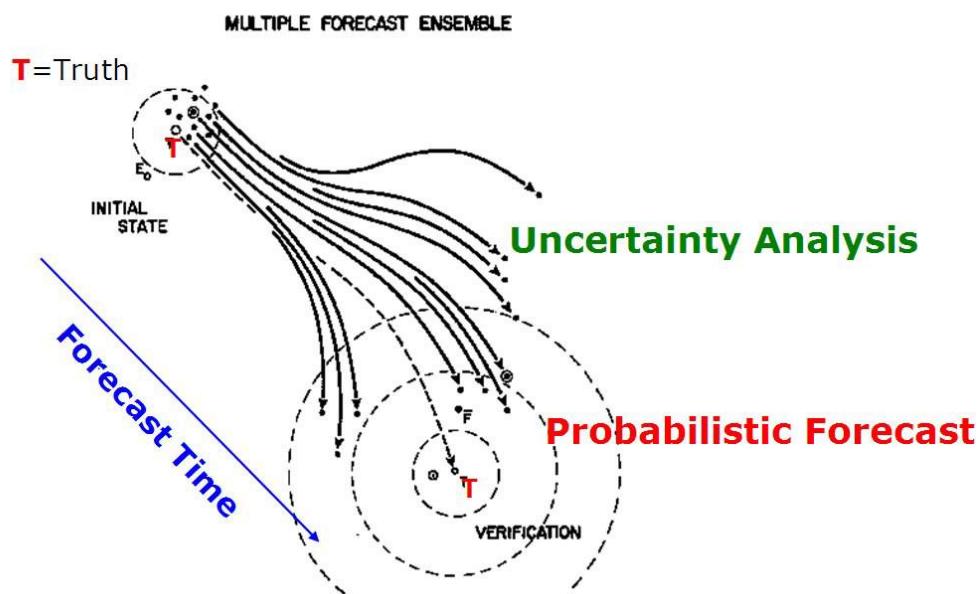
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- medium-range ensemble forecasting
- severe weather prediction



# Sources of uncertainty in atmospheric modelling

- initial data uncertainty
- model uncertainty:
  - scale interactions in the atmosphere
  - dynamics (Semi-Lagrangian advection)
  - physics parametrizations



# Representation of model uncertainties in atmospheric modelling

- **initial data uncertainty:**

- Lagged average forecast (R. Hoffman)
- Singular vector decomposition  
(R. Buizza)
- Breeding (Z. Toth, E. Kalnay)
- Ensemble Kalman filters  
(P. Houtekamer, H. Mitchell)

**Implemented by**  
**A. Shlyaeva, M. Tolstykh**  
**V. Mizyak, V. Rogutov [1]**

- **model uncertainty:**

- SKEB (G. Shutts)
- SL departure point perturbation  
(M. Diamantakis)
- Tendency/parameter perturbation –  
**SPPT, SPP (R. Buizza, P. Ollinaho)**

**Need to implement!**

[1] A. Shlyaeva, M. Tolstykh, V. Mizyak, V. Rogutov, Local ensemble transform Kalman filter data assimilation system for the global semi-Lagrangian atmospheric model // Russ. J. Numer. Anal. Math. Modelling. 2013. V. 28. No. 4. P. 419-441.

Stochastically perturbed parametrization tendencies:

$$X_p = (1 + r\mu)X_c,$$

$X_c$  - unperturbed tendency,

$X_p$  - perturbed tendency,

$r$  - normally distributed random variable,

$\mu \in [0,1]$  - tunable parameter.

- Method is proposed for perturbing temperature, humidity and wind tendencies
- Conservation problems

Stochastically perturbed parametrizations:

$$\xi_j = e^{\psi_j} \tilde{\xi}_j, \quad \psi_j \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_j, \sigma_j^2),$$

$\xi_j$  - perturbed parameter,

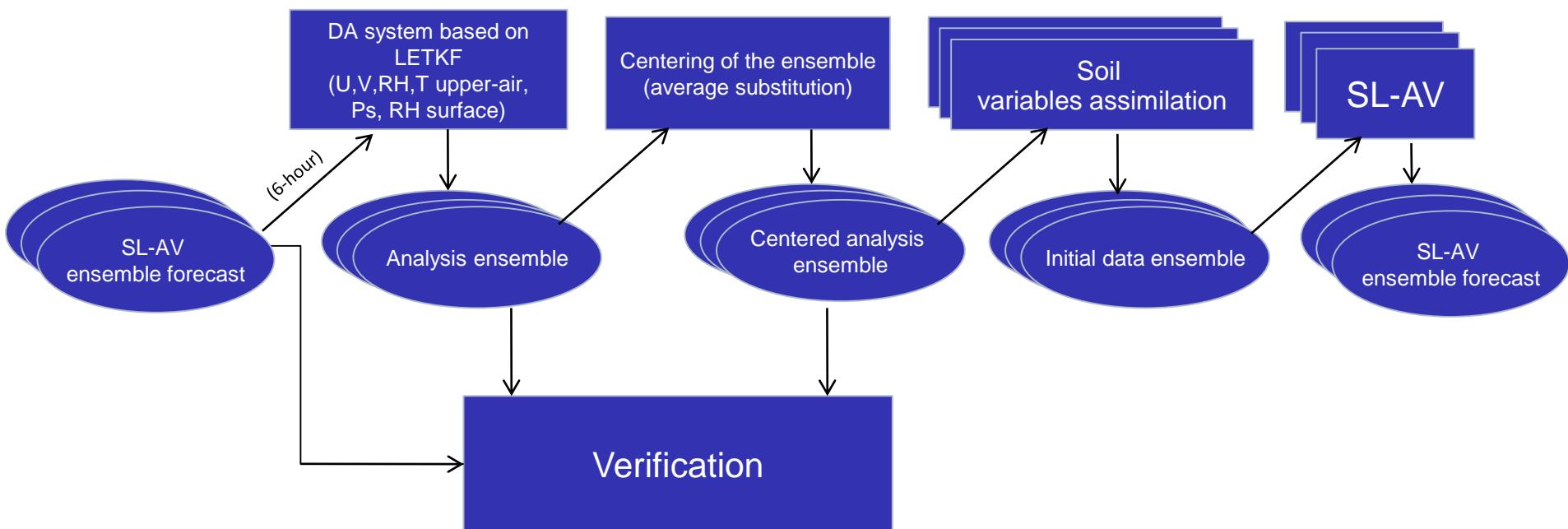
$\tilde{\xi}_j$  - unperturbed parameter,

$\psi_j$  - normally distributed random variable with a mean  $\mu_j$  and a standard deviation  $\sigma_j$ .

- $\mu_j = -\frac{1}{2}\sigma_j^2$  or  $\mu_j = 0$
- Adding perturbations directly to poorly constrained parameters and variables within the parametrization schemes
- “Conservative” method

# Ensemble prediction system

- Local Ensemble Transform Kalman Filter (LETKF) is used to generate perturbations in the ensemble of initial data
- Ensemble is centered to the HMC operational analysis
- SL-AV global Semi-Lagrangian atmospheric model  
( $0,9^\circ \times 0,72^\circ$ , finite-difference grid, 96 hybrid vertical levels)
- Ensemble of 60 members



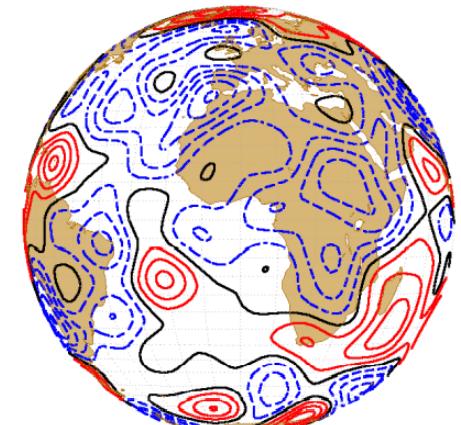
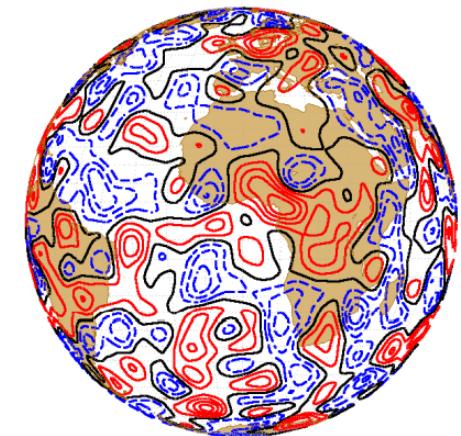
# Stochastic physics in SL-AV model

2D log-normally distributed stochastic patterns

- spatial correlation (biharmonic filtration)
- time correlation (AR(1)-process)

Tunable parameters:

- amplitude
  - spatial auto-correlation scale
  - time decorrelation scale
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- Stochastic perturbation of uncertain parameters and variables
  - Mean / median of perturbed parameter equals to unperturbed value
  - Description of uncertainty in the entire atmosphere from boundary layer and free troposphere to the stratosphere
  - Tendencies are not perturbed near the Earth' surface and in the stratosphere



# Stochastic physics in SL-AV model

27 stochastically perturbed parameters and variables in parametrizations of

- cloud processes
- radiation
- convection
- condensation and precipitation
- microphysics
- subgrid orography
- turbulence

2 stochastically perturbed tendencies:

- vorticity
- temperature

Humidity is not perturbed due to conservation problems

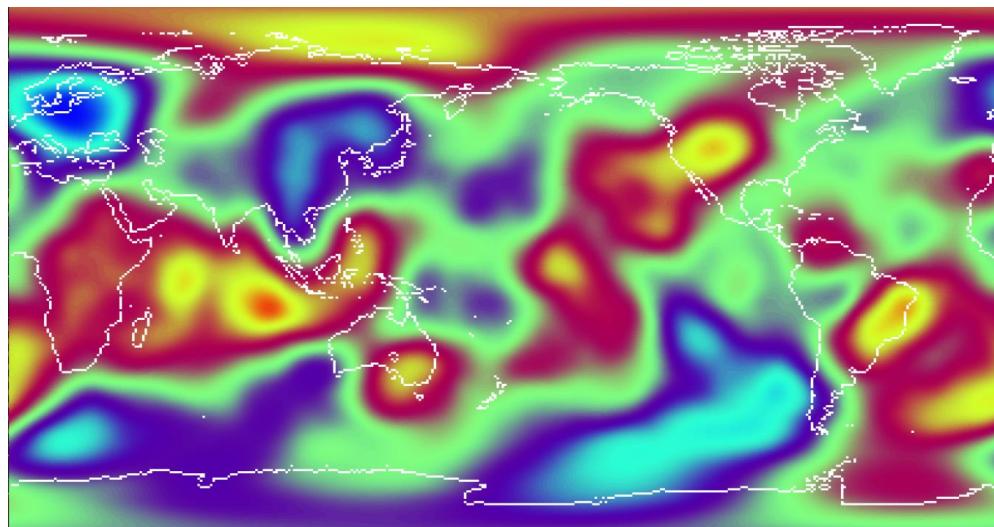


Fig.: Example of a stochastic pattern

# Stochastic patterns generation (G. S. Goyman)

2D patterns:  $\xi_j = e^{\psi_j} \tilde{\xi}_j$ ,  $\psi_j \sim \mathcal{N}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\sigma_j^2, \sigma_j^2\right)$ ,

$\xi_j$  - perturbed parameter,

$\tilde{\xi}_j$  - unperturbed parameter,

$\psi_j$  - random field.

- Biharmonic filtration for spatial correlation:

$$\psi_{j(f)} = \psi_j - \nu \Delta^2 \psi_j,$$

$\nu$  - spatial auto-correlation scale.

- AR(1)-process for time correlation:

$$\psi_j^{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_j^2 \frac{\Delta t}{\tau_j} + \left(1 - \frac{\Delta t}{\tau_j}\right) \psi_j^{n+1} + \left[ \frac{\Delta t}{\tau_j} \left(2 - \frac{\Delta t}{\tau_j}\right) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \varepsilon_j^n$$

$\Delta t$  - model time step,

$\tau_j$  - time decorrelation scale,

$\varepsilon_j^n$  - 2D filtered random field with distribution  $\mathcal{N}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\sigma_j^2, \sigma_j^2\right)$

# Forecast RMSE vs ensemble spread, Jan 2021

Red – forecast RMSE in control experiment

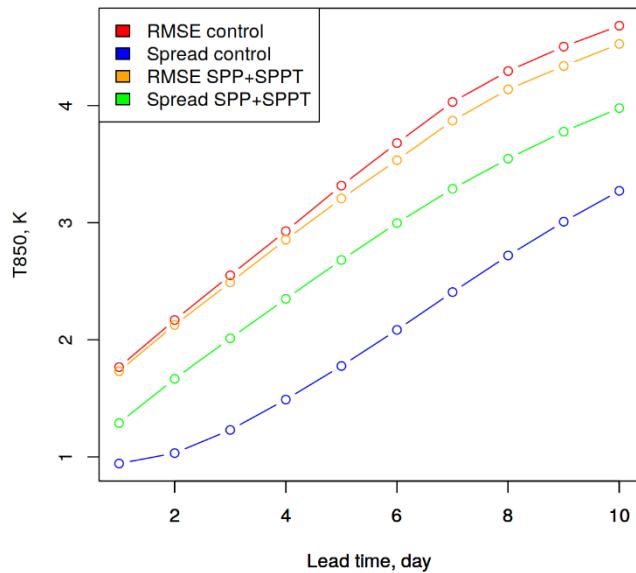
Blue – ensemble spread in control experiment

Yellow – forecast RMSE with SPPT+SPP

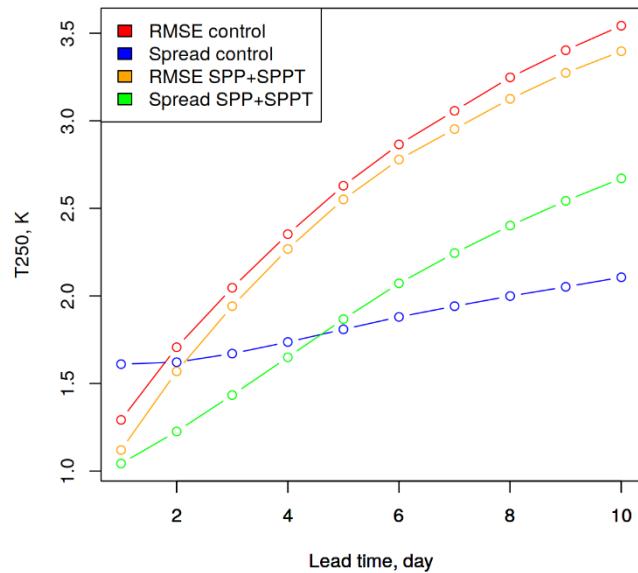
Green – ensemble spread with SPPT+SPP

Control experiment:  
different parameters  
for different  
ensemble members  
in model namelist,  
do not vary in time

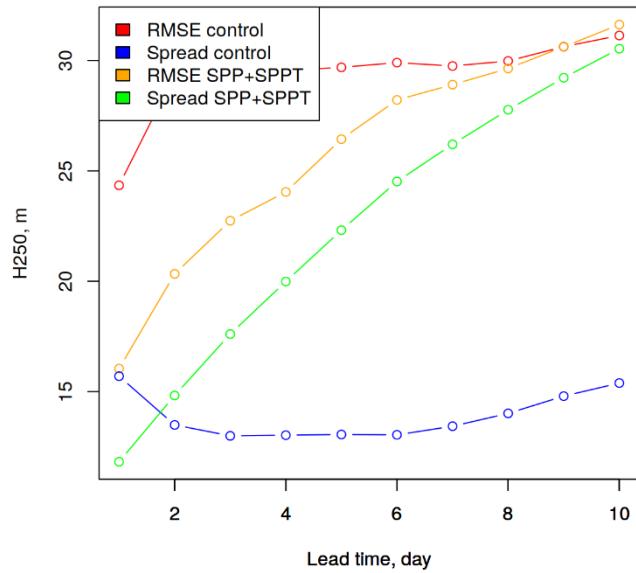
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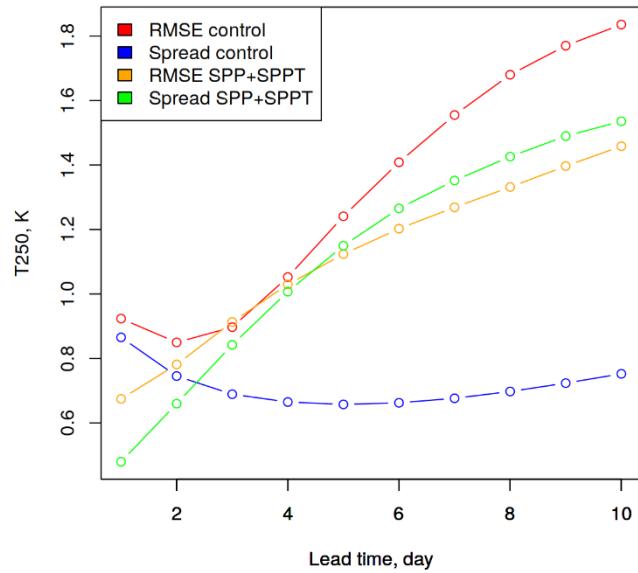
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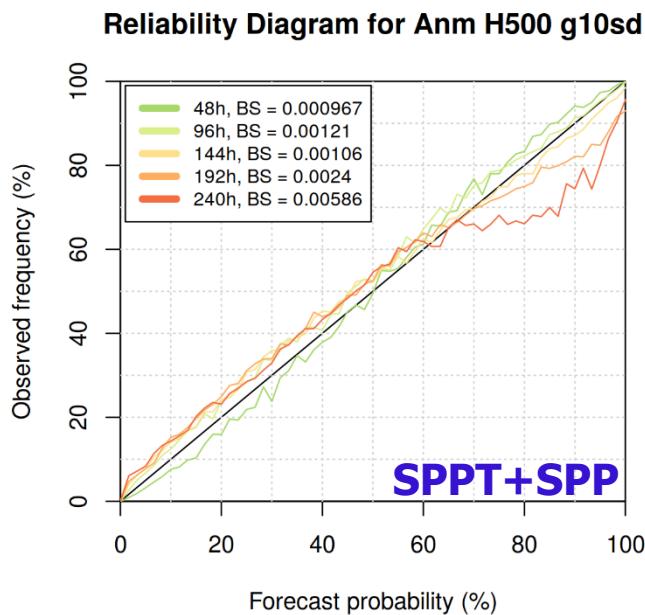
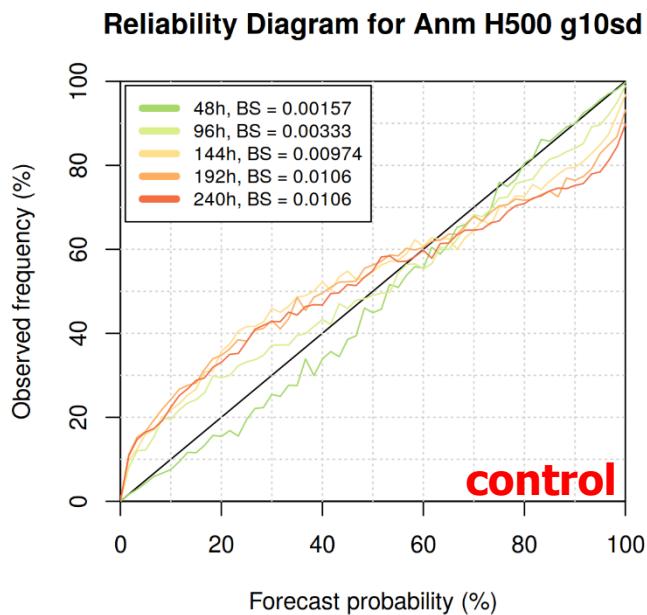
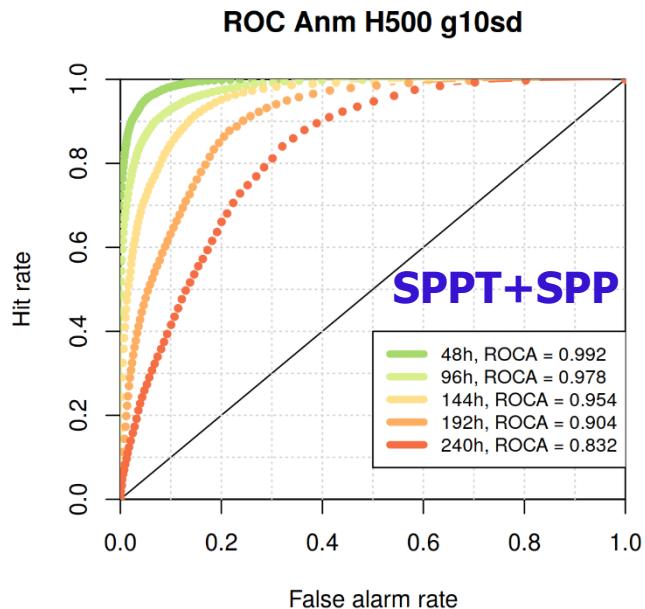
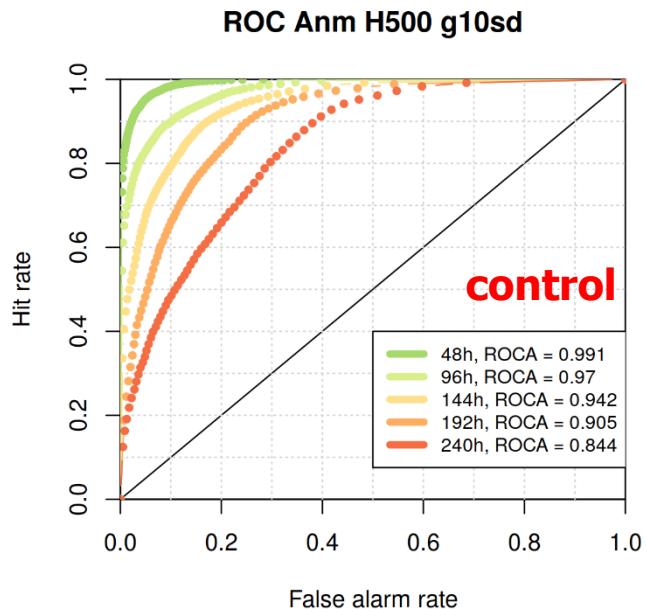
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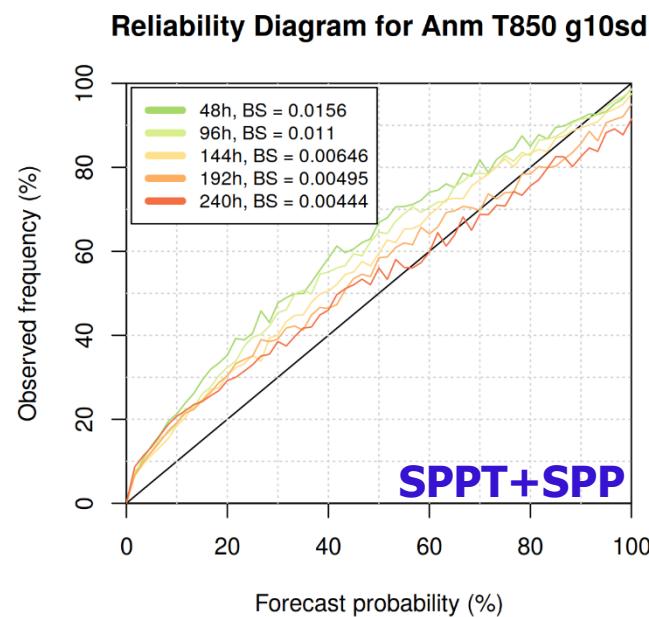
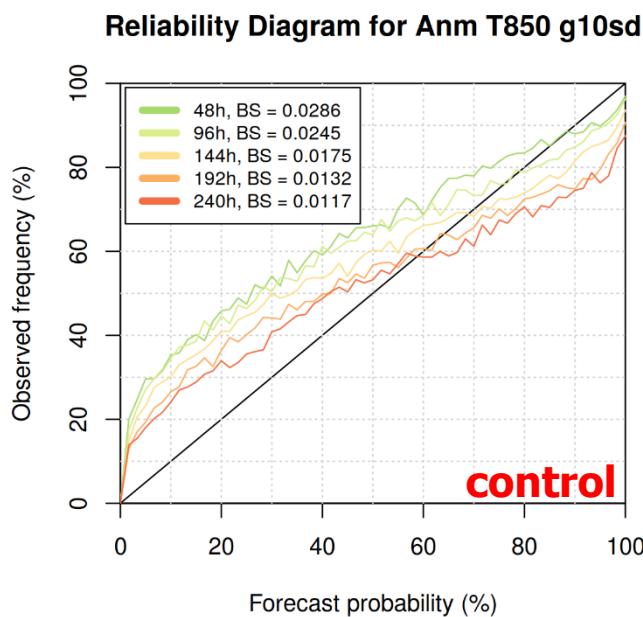
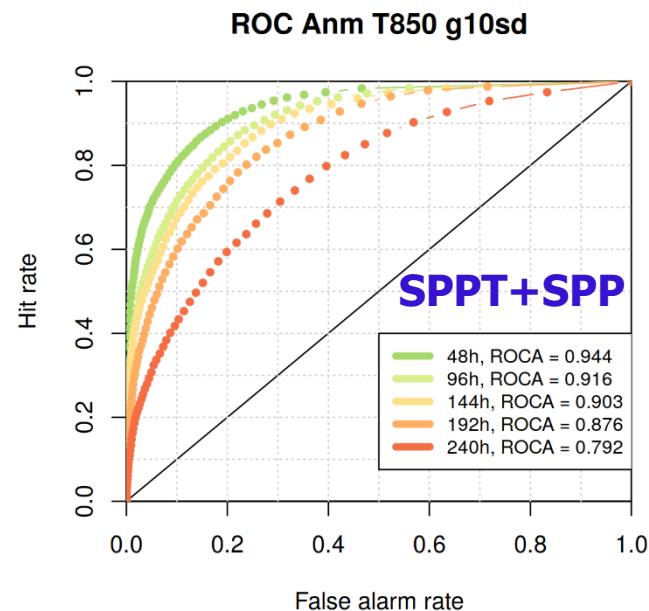
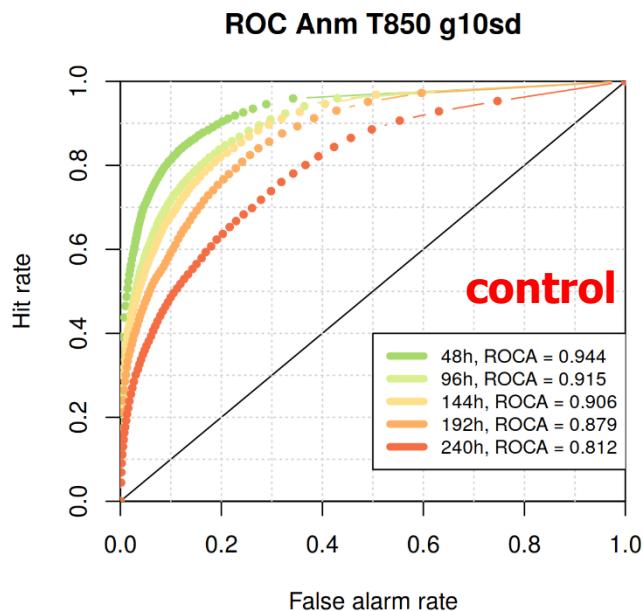
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# ROCs and reliability diagrams, Jan 2021



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## Results:

- Stochastic perturbations of tendencies and parameters were implemented in SL-AV model
- Stochastic physics increased the ensemble spread for all variables
- The reliability of probabilistic ensemble weather forecasts was improved for some variables
- Brier score became smaller for T850 and H500

## Future plans:

- Optimization of the combination of additive inflation in the initial data ensemble and SPPT + SPP in the model
- Stochastic perturbations of Semi-Lagrangian departure points iterations

# Thank you for your attention!

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