





Weather Variability over Europe in the Context of Climate Change

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Hydro-Climatic Risk







Temperature Anomalies Weather in a Climatic Context





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Temperature Anomalies in Potsdam over the past 2 years



Local Weather in a larger Context

Transport of Air Masses



Every local Weather Phenomenon has a large-scale Context





Example: Heavy Rainfall



Greece: Heavy Rainfall





Example: Storm Water in Greece, September 2023



Hamburg: Hot Temperature





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European Weather-Types

Expert Classification





Hess/Brezowsky: Großwetterlagen

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Temporal Development of Weather Patterns



Sequences of Categorical Data





Großwetterlagen - Shapes of the Circulation



Hess/Brezowsky



Regional Weather Characteristics





Composite Patterns

Local Precipitation Characteristics





Dry and Wet Weather-Types in Potsdam 1



Weather-Type Sequences

Extreme Weather Events







22.05-02.06.2013: TRM, TRM, TRM, TRM, TRM, TF

January 2019: Heavy Snowfall in the north

01.-13.01.2019: NZ,NZ,NZ,HB,HB,HB,NWA,NWA

July 2021: Ahrtal Catastrophe

10.-18.07.2021: TRW,TRW,TRW,TM,TM,TM,NEZ

July 2022: 40°C in Hamburg

16.-25.07.2022: HM,HM,HM,SWA,SWA,SWA,SWA





TM: 2.0%













Attributes of the Weather-Types Variability

Frequency, Persistence, Transition

Long-Term Changes of Weather-Types?





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Weather-Type Persistence



Significant Increase in Apr, Jun, July 16



Day-to-Day Atmosphere Similarity







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Impacts of Weather Persistence



The longer Weather-Types persist, the stronger the Impacts





New dominant Weather-Types





Trough-like Weather Patterns: TRM, TRW, SWZ 19

New dominant Weather-Type Transitions





Network Graphs illustrate the Rhythmn of the Weather Variability 20

Criticality of Weather-Types





Which Weather-Types are associated with high Temperature or Heavy Rainfall in Berlin? 21



Attribution Study

Role of Dynamic Factors on Temperature rise



Decomposition into a Dynamical Component (June-August)

Temperature

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Precipitation`



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2020

2020

2010

2010

- total

dynamical



European Weather-Types

Objective Classification



Identification of Weather-Types

Workflow



Data Processing





Application to Weather-Type Prediction



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Re-Identification of Weather-Types in Climate Models

Training a Decision Tree between Atmospheric Fields and Weather-Types

Scheme





One Ensemble Member used for Training 27



Comparison of the Weather Variability using Network Graphs

in Reanalyses and Climate Models







Weather Variability in Climate Models - Assessment





Representive Example 29



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Weather Variability in Climate Models - Assessment



CMIP6 Ensemble



Weather Variability in Climate Models - Sensitivity





Representive Example

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Three Concluding Remarks

• Analyses of the Weather Variability over Europe are generally underrepresented in the Context of Climate Change



• Weather Variability in climate model simulations follow slightly other rules with possible effects on projected rainfall patterns

Thank you for listening!







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Atmospheric Fields in Weather Forecasts 33



Shapes and Structures



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Weather Variability in ERA5 Reanalysis





Objective Classification