CCSM Climate:
A look at the Atlantic sector*

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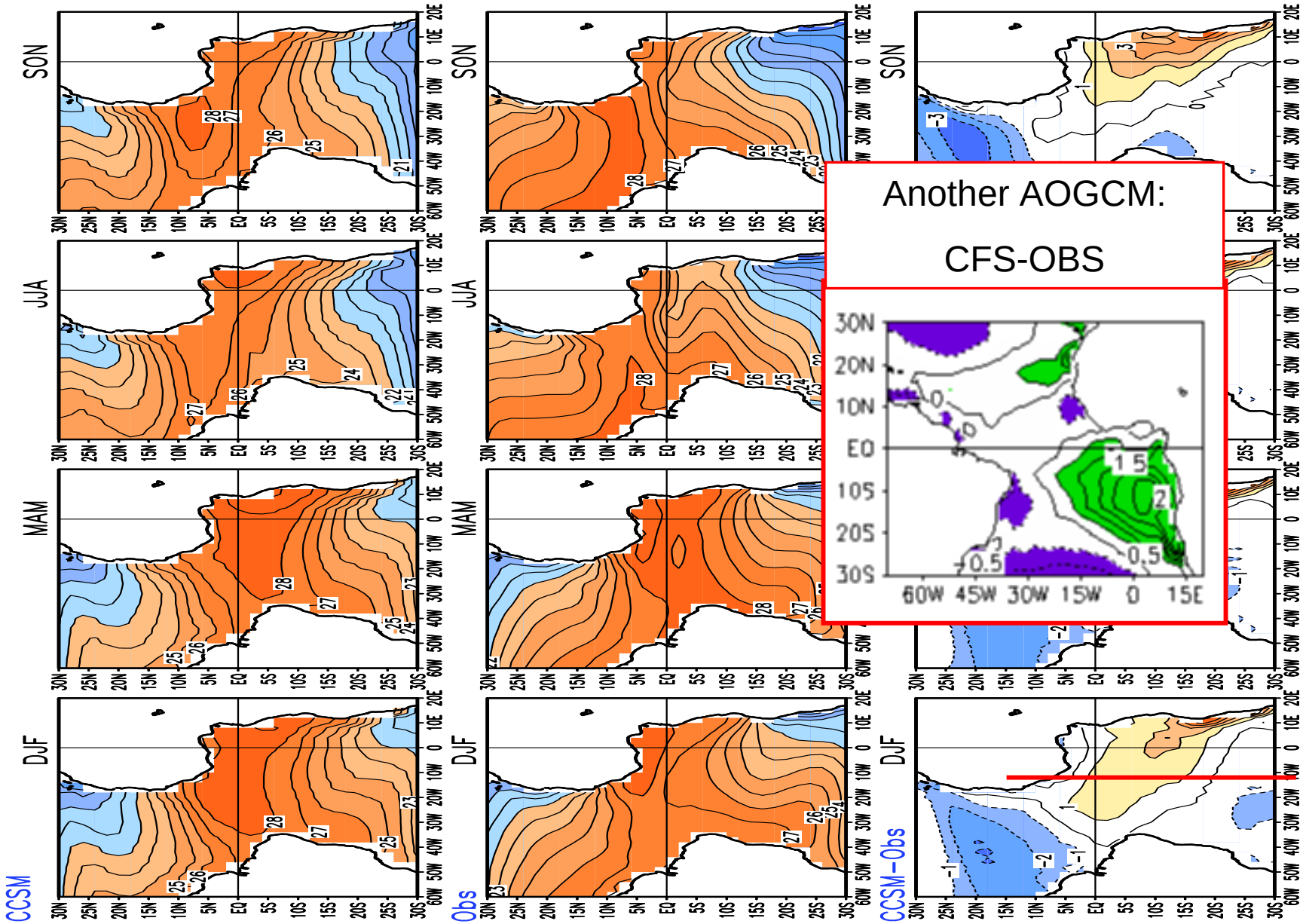
We'll look at: CCSM3 T85 historical run, CAM3

- Tropical winds, SST
- Climate of NW Africa

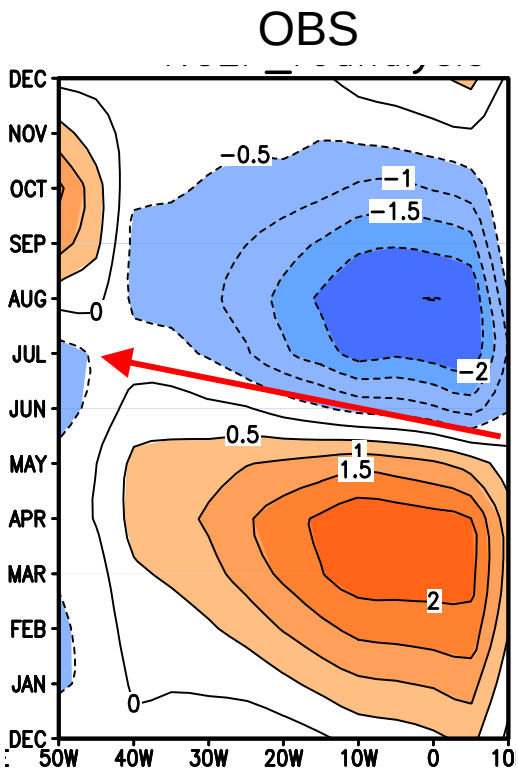
SST in CCSM



SST anomaly (4ºS-0ºN)

spread

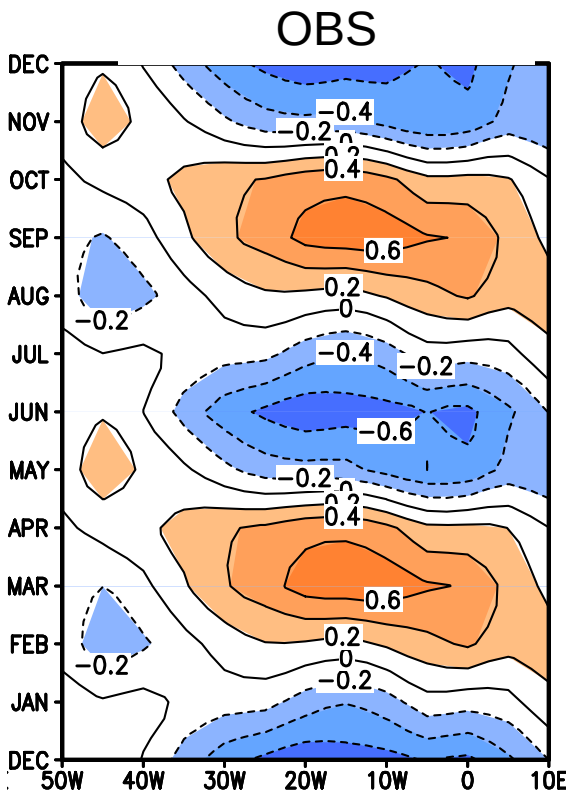
Time →



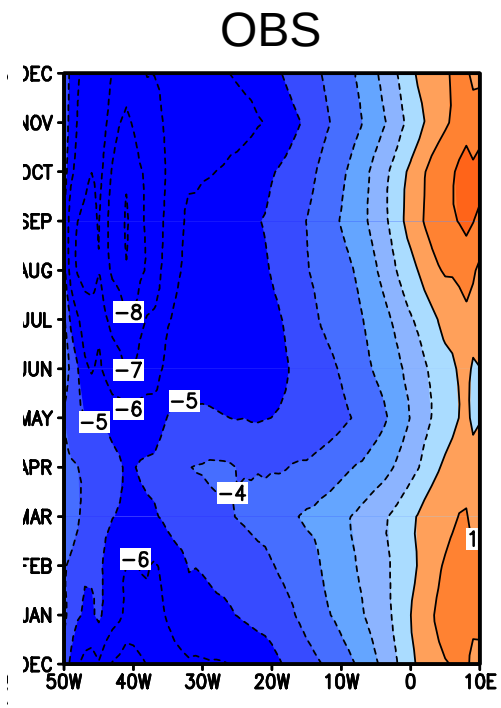
scrunched

Westward propagation (a la Mitchell & Wallace)

SST' semiannual cycle 4ºS-0ºN



Zonal winds 4ºS-0ºN



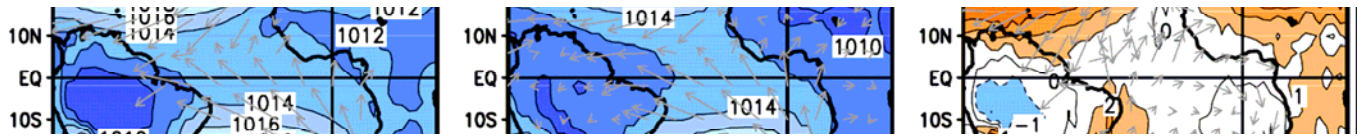
Weakening in spring

CCSM Seasonal SLP, U_{1000mb}

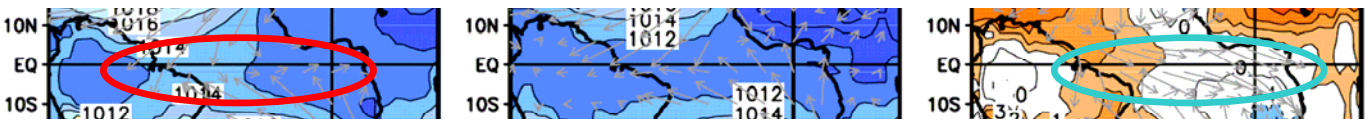
Sept.- Nov.

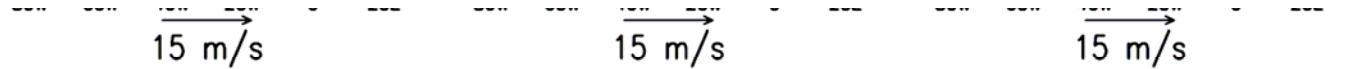
CCSM NCEP reanalysis CCSM−NCEP re

SLP: color



March-May



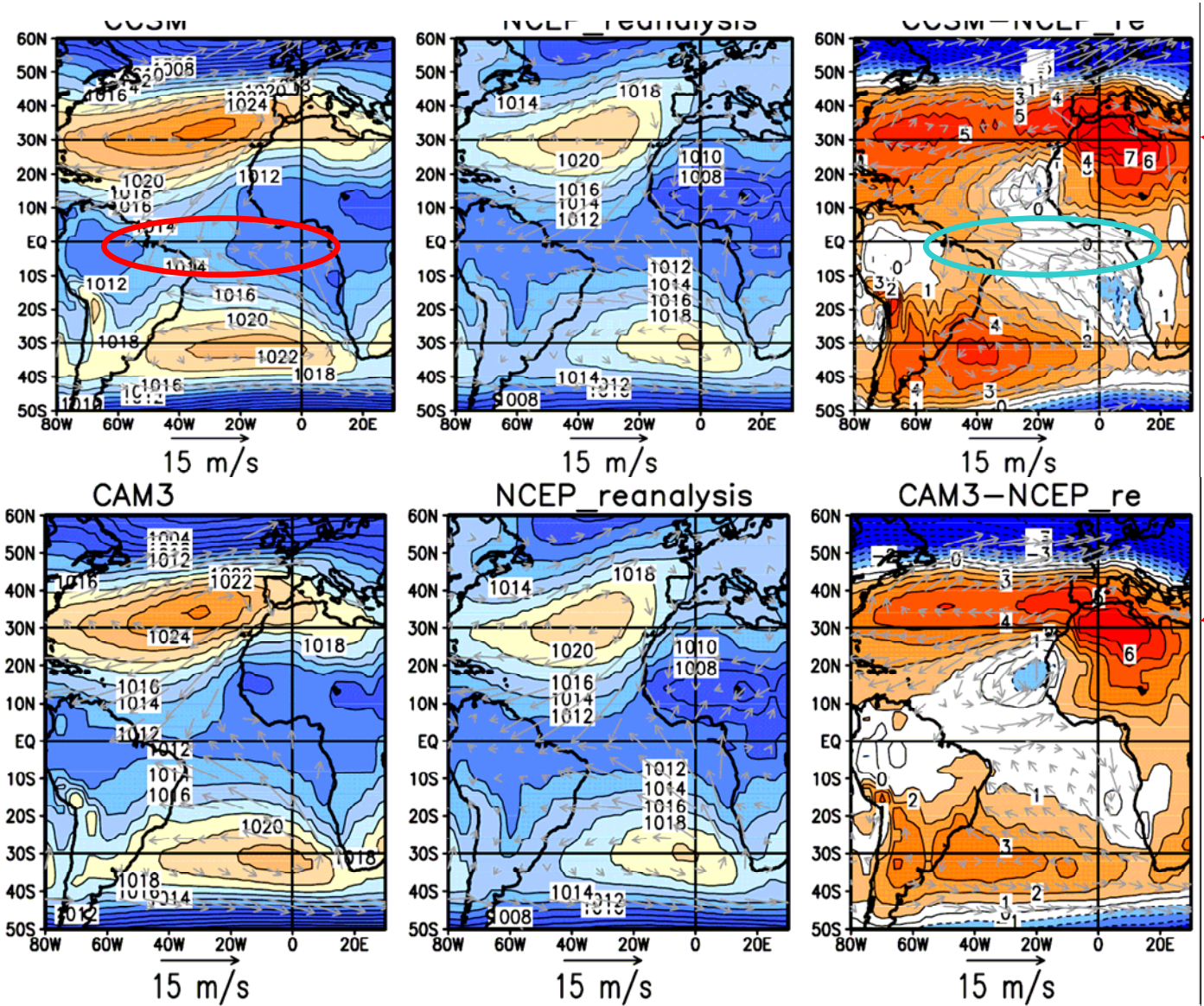


CCSM vs CAM3

SLP, U_{1000mb} March-May

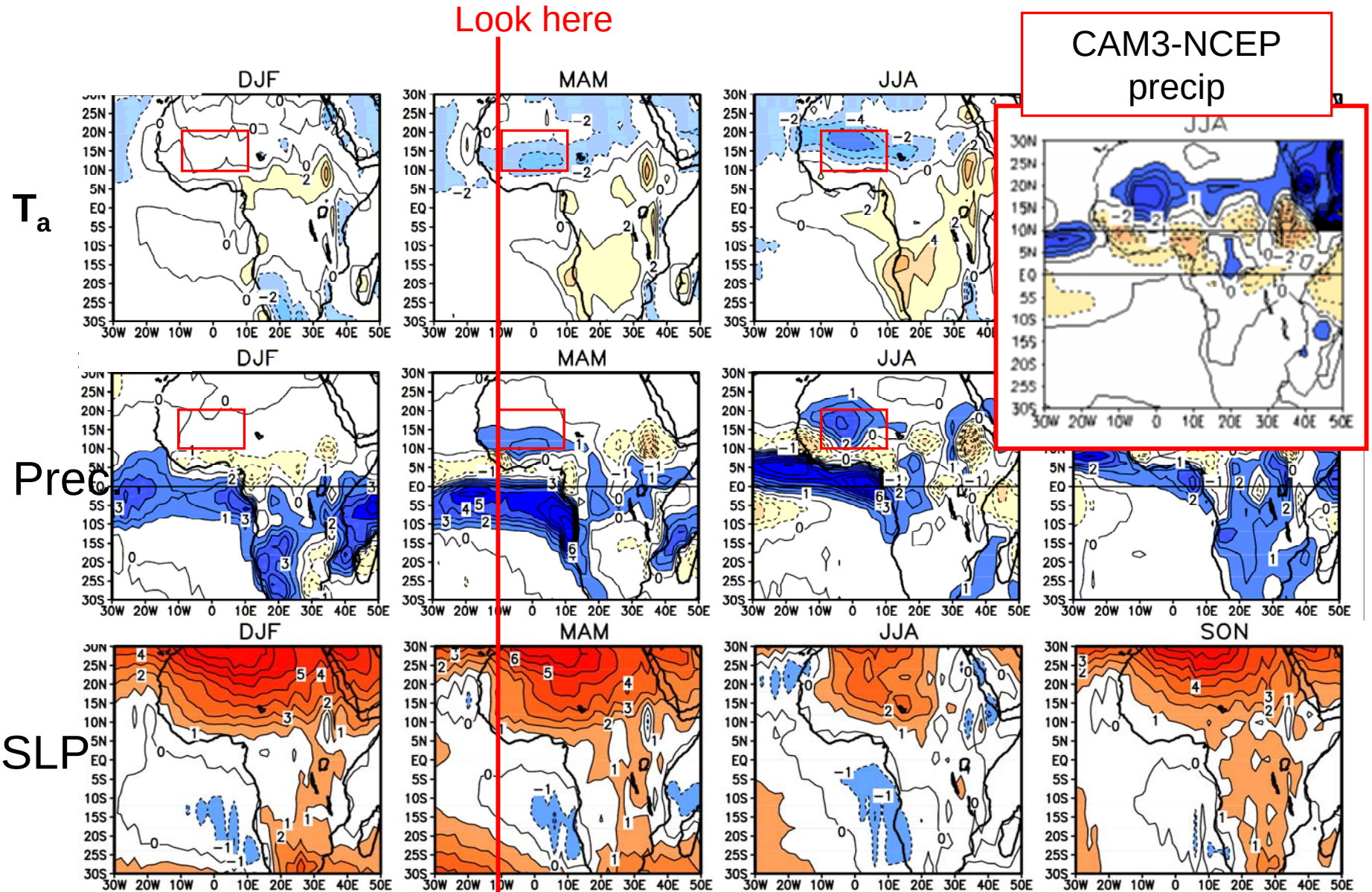
CCSM

CAM3



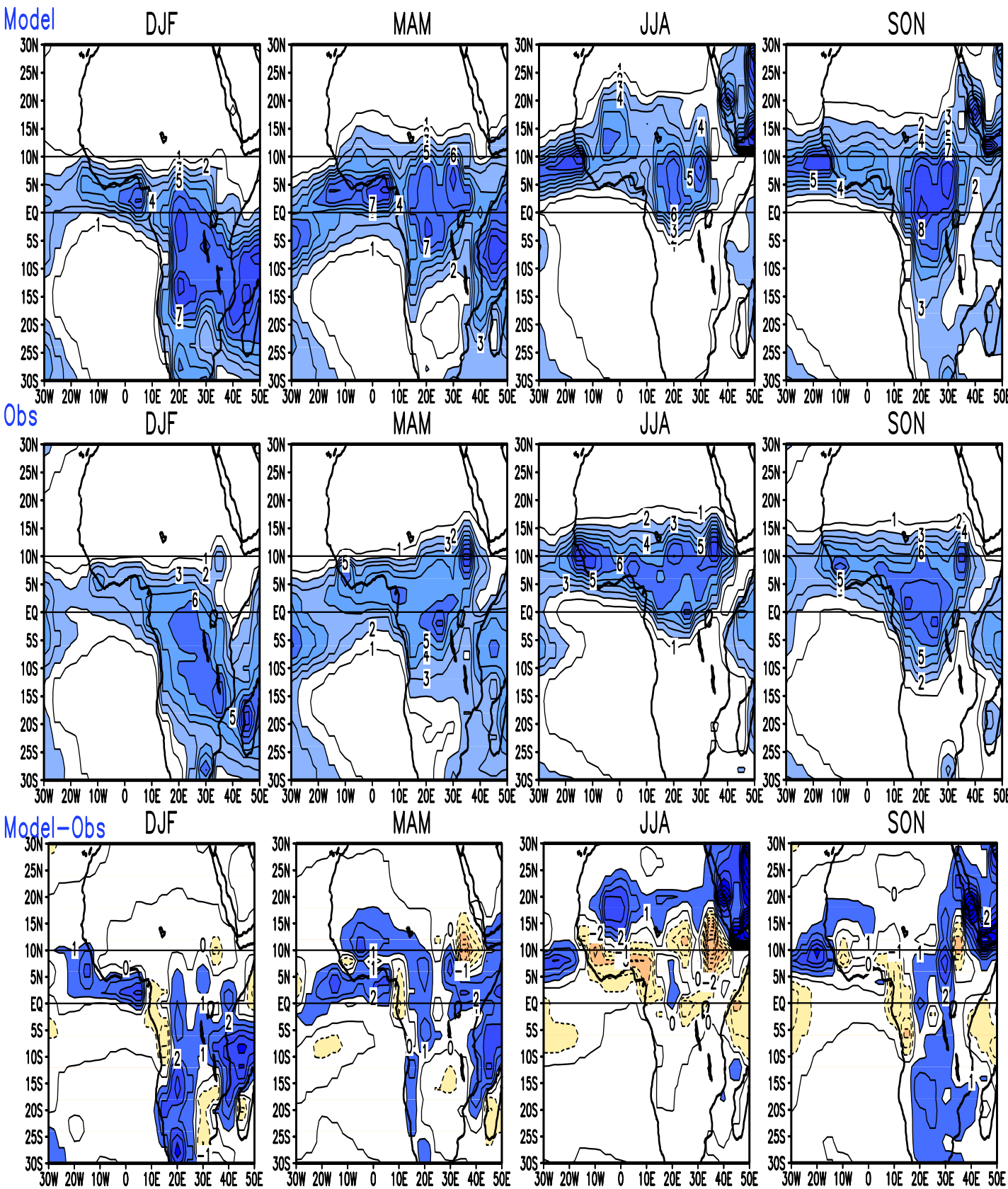
Climate of the Sahel and Sahara

CCSM-NCEP for Africa



Rainfall (mm/day)

Model(CAM3:prate), Obs(NCEP_reanalysis:prate) and Model−Obs



Convection (10W)

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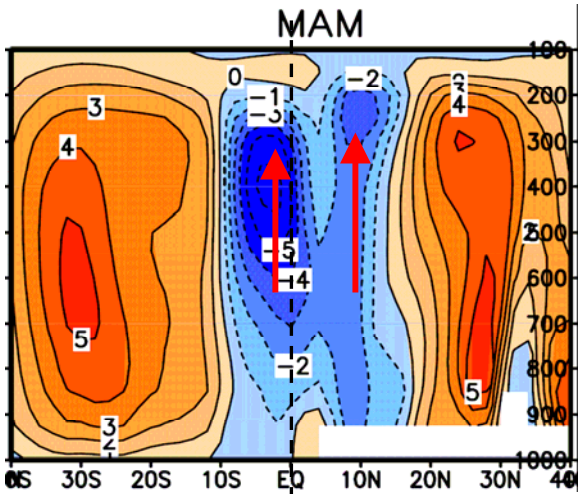

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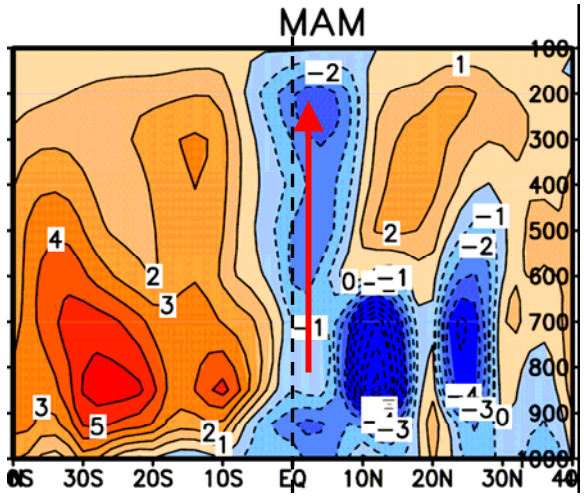
NCEP



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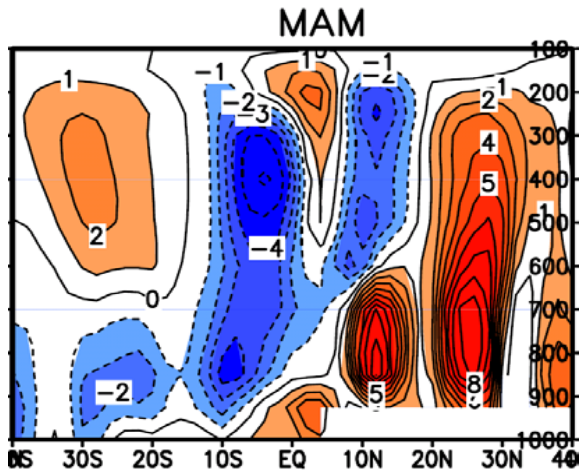
CCSM-NCEP



(c)

CCSM Sahel

Precip, Ta, SLP, Omega*100