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"LES CHANGEMENTS DES SITUATIONS MÉTÉOROLOGIQUES RENFORCENT LES IMPACTS DES VAGUES DE CHALEURS ET TEMPÊTES EN FRANCE ET EN EUROPE"

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MOTIVATION Impactful extreme events are largely driven by atmospheric dynamics

03 June 2022 Heatwave over France... A recurrent situation in recent years => Role of climate change?



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BOTTLENECK Detecting robust changes in atmospheric circulation is difficult

1. Previous studies are not conclusive on whether anthropogenic affects atmospheric dynamics changing structure, frequency and persistence of patterns.

2. The diversity in the results comes from the **variety of indicators of atmospheric dynamics:** indices or projections that could hide robust changes.

3. Here we **employ a technique based on the study of analogues** of weather patterns, preserving all information contained in the weather fields to **detect robust changes**.





METHODS Using analogs frequency changes to detect long-term dynamical changes

1.We select alternatively all ERA5 Sea-level Pressure maps over the North Atlantic from 1950-2021

2. For each map we compute the Euclidean distance between daily maps, and define a high quantile to select the analogues.

3. We count the number of analogues per decade and we select those having an increasing trend and a decreasing trend







METHODS Ensuring Robustness of Changes

- For each SLP map (a) we take the best 2% (b), 1% (c) and 0.5% (d) analogues in daily sea-level pressure maps from ERA5 starting in January 1950.
- 2. The **# Analogues counted in each decade** are then obtained (blue dots, panels b--d).
- 3. A linear fit is performed (solid line) and the confidence intervals for the slope are computed (dotted lines).
- 4. Only if all confidence intervals have a positive slope, the map has increasing frequency





RESULTS: WINTER

The vast majority (92.7%) of circulation patterns show no significant occurrence trend in the historical period; 5.1% show increasing trends and 2.2% show decreasing trends

INCREASING TRENDS

A Sea-level Pressure [hPa]



DECREASING TRENDS



