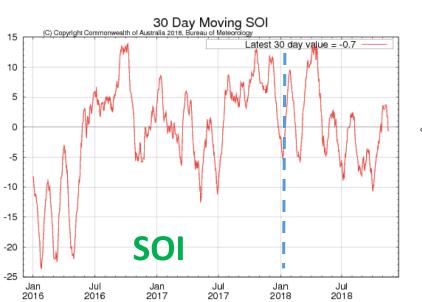
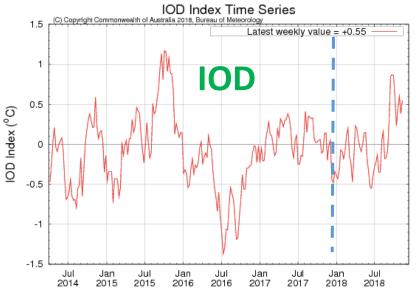
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Nino, IOD and SOI indices in 2018 exhibited neutral to weak El Niño conditions



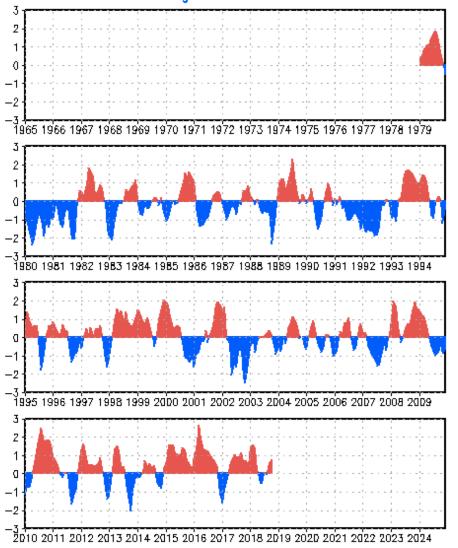




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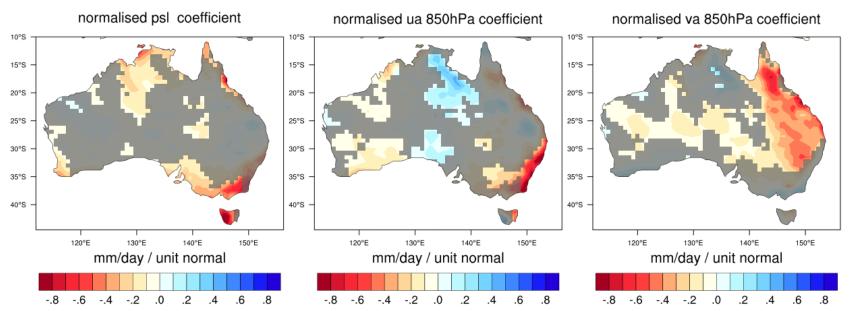
positive summer weakly negative in winter

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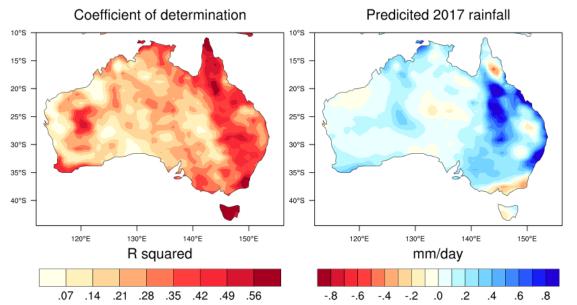
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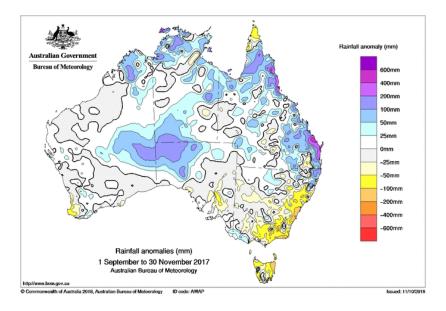
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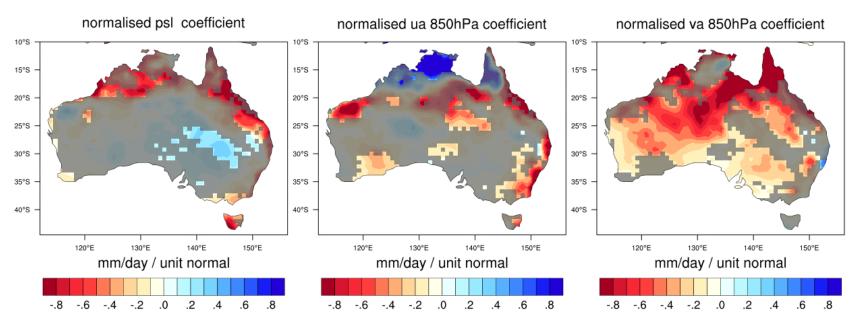


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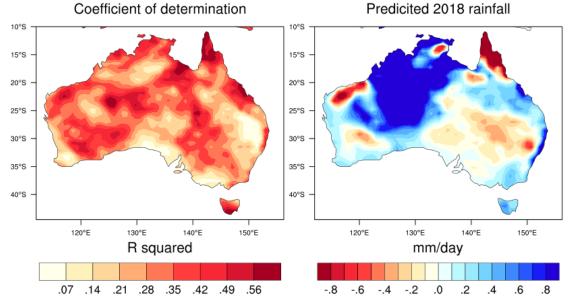


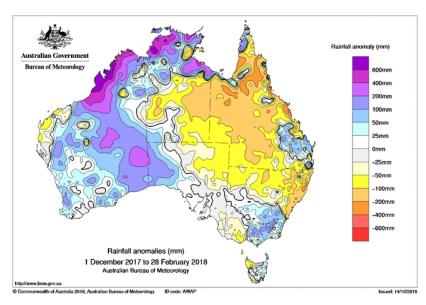
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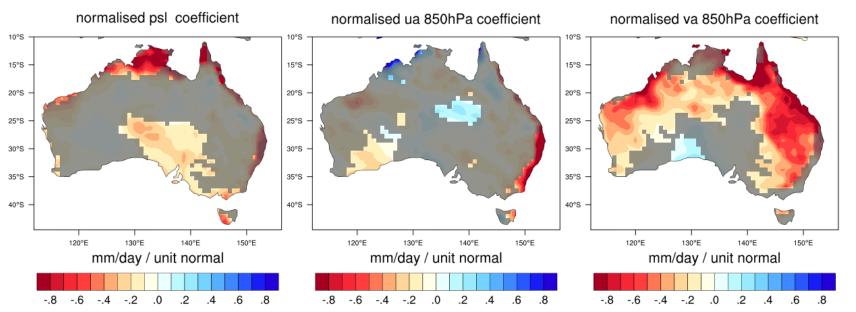


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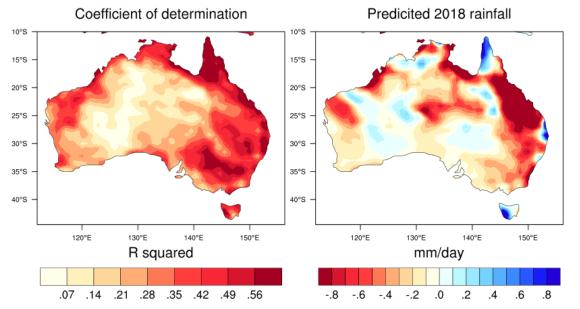


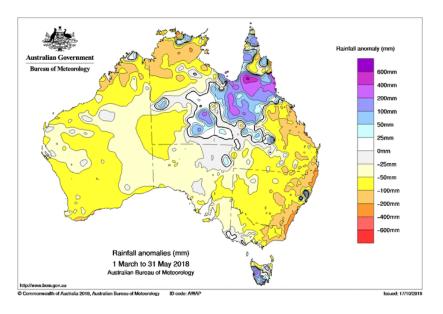
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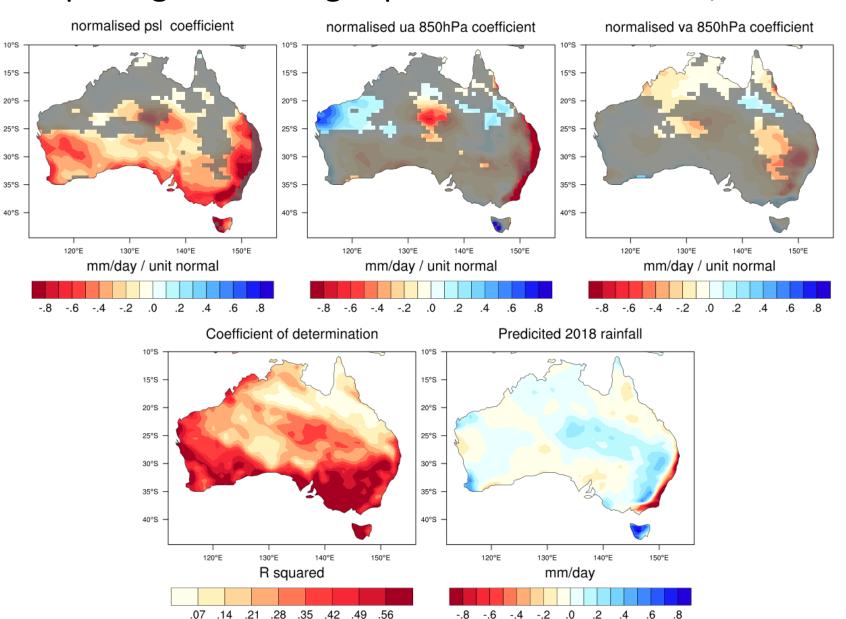


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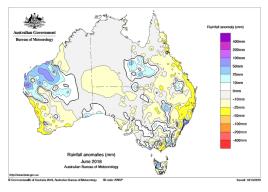


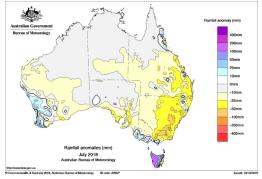
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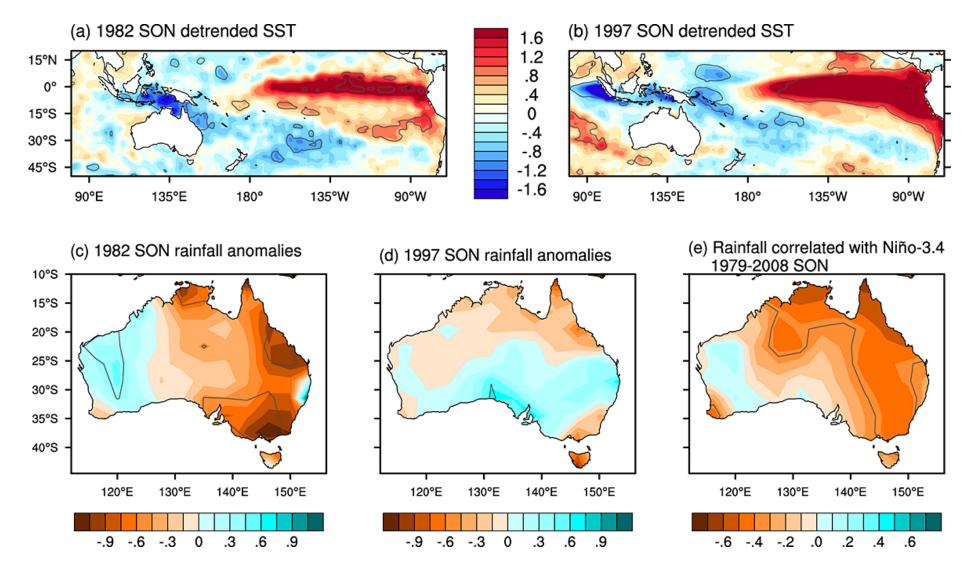


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