

Calibrated probabilistic forecasts and their presentation on a website

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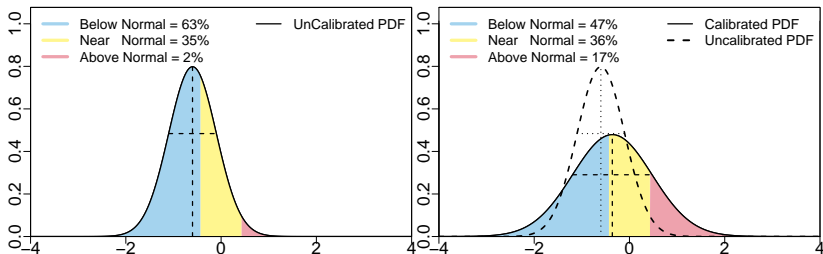
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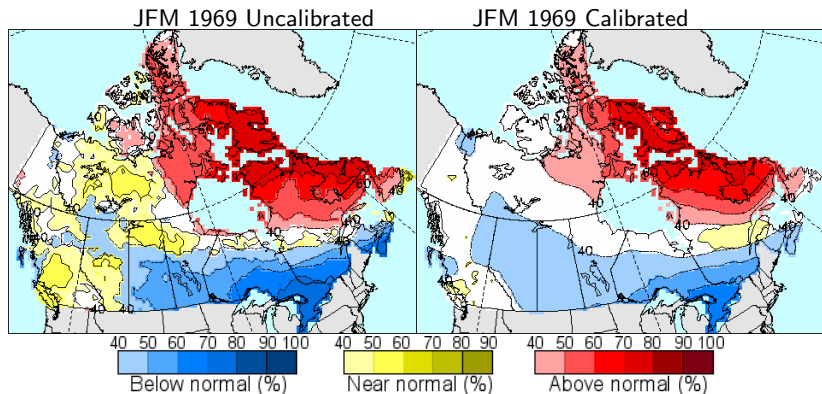
Calibrated probability forecasts

Calibration method is described in Kharin and Zwiers (2003) and Kharin (2010):

- Gaussian estimator is used for deriving probability forecasts (as opposite to a “count-method”) by fitting a normal distribution $\mathcal{N}(aX_U, b\sigma_U)$ to the forecast ensemble.
- rescaling coefficients a and b are determined by optimizing the Brier score (based HFP2 hindcasts for all 12 seasons).



One map probability forecast summary



Experimental calibrated forecasts on CCCma's website

http://www.cccma.ec.gc.ca/data/seasonal_forecast/sf.shtml

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