

ERROS MUST BE GAUSSIAN (CONSIDERED HERE)
OR NON-GAUSSIAN (NOT CONSIDERED HERE).

RANDOM ERRORS MUST BE
CORRELATED OR
UNCORRELATED.

DO NOT CONSIDER BIASES HERE (OR ANY SYSTEMATIC ERRORS)

REPRESENTIVITY ERRORS (AS I UNDERSTAND THEM)
ARE TO DO WITH PROCESSES UNACCOUNTED FOR IN
INPUT OR FORMULATION OF OBS OPERATOR, THAT
SHOULD BE INCLUDED TO MODEL THE OBSERVATION
ACCURATELY. (* BELOW).

AMPLITUDE AND POSITION ERRORS MAY BE SYSTEMATIC AND/OR RANDOM.
IN ANY GIVEN ASSIMILATION, POSITION ERRORS MAY LOOK-LIKE SYSTEMATIC ERRORS

ERROR CLASSIFICATION.

OBSERVATIONAL

SYSTEMATIC

- * bias due to incorrect use of instrument

RANDOM

- * Noise in measurement process.

SYSTEMATIC

- * Imperfections in formulation of operator

- * ~~Unrepresented processes in state that would affect measurement.~~

OBS OPERATOR

RANDOM

- * ~~Unknown processes affecting measurement~~

- * Sub-grid scale fluctuations unaccounted for.

IN A CONVENTIONAL DA SYSTEM
BUT THE PLOATING SCHEME
ALLOWS THEM TO BE TREATED
AS A RANDOM ERROR (UP/DOWN)
A-PRIORI

SYSTEMATIC

- * Bias in initial condition in model used to generate forecast

- * Model formulation imperfections

- * Unknown forcing.

RANDOM

- * Initial conditions
- * Unknown Random stochastic forcing of model

- * Amplitude and position errors