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Arctic Ocean & Nordic seas reanalysis Project.

- 1) Status of the Mercator operational systems for sea ice.**
- 2) The reanalysis project.**

The background

Operational systems The global configurations

- ORCA2 : Global 2° , Operational since 2003 → real time for seasonal forecasts applications. **Stopped**.
- ORCA1 : **Global 1°** , Operational since **2012** → **real time** for **seasonal forecasts application** (initial conditions). Replacing the previous 2° resolution system. Operational in 2012. **Configuration test** for sensitivities experiments.
- ORCA025 : **Global $\frac{1}{4}^\circ$** , Operational since **2005** → **real time** (50 vertical levels) & **reanalysis** (75 vertical levels). Interannual experiments production and sensitivities experiments (atmospheric forcing, vertical mixing, sea ice ...) DRAKKAR & GLORYS projects.
- ORCA12 : **Global $1/12^\circ$** ,Operational since **2011** → **real time** and interannual experiments production and, recently, sensitivities experiments (mesoscale variability). DRAKKAR project.
- BIOMER 1° : **PISCES 1°** , Operational since **2012** → **real time** (50 vertical levels) ; off-line coupling to operational global $\frac{1}{4}^\circ$



All the systems (not BIOMER1) use NEMO/LIM & the SEEK filter with altimetry, SST and in situ T/S data assimilation. No assimilation of and under sea ice.

Current status of sea ice in the new real time global 1/12° operational system.

V1 MyOcean (February 2011)

Model

- NEMO1.09
- CLIO Bulk formulation
- 24H Forcing
- LIM2_VP + damping of the ice/ocean momentum flux
- TKE
- Constant depth for light extinction

Assimilation

- ...
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- RTG SST
- ...
- ...

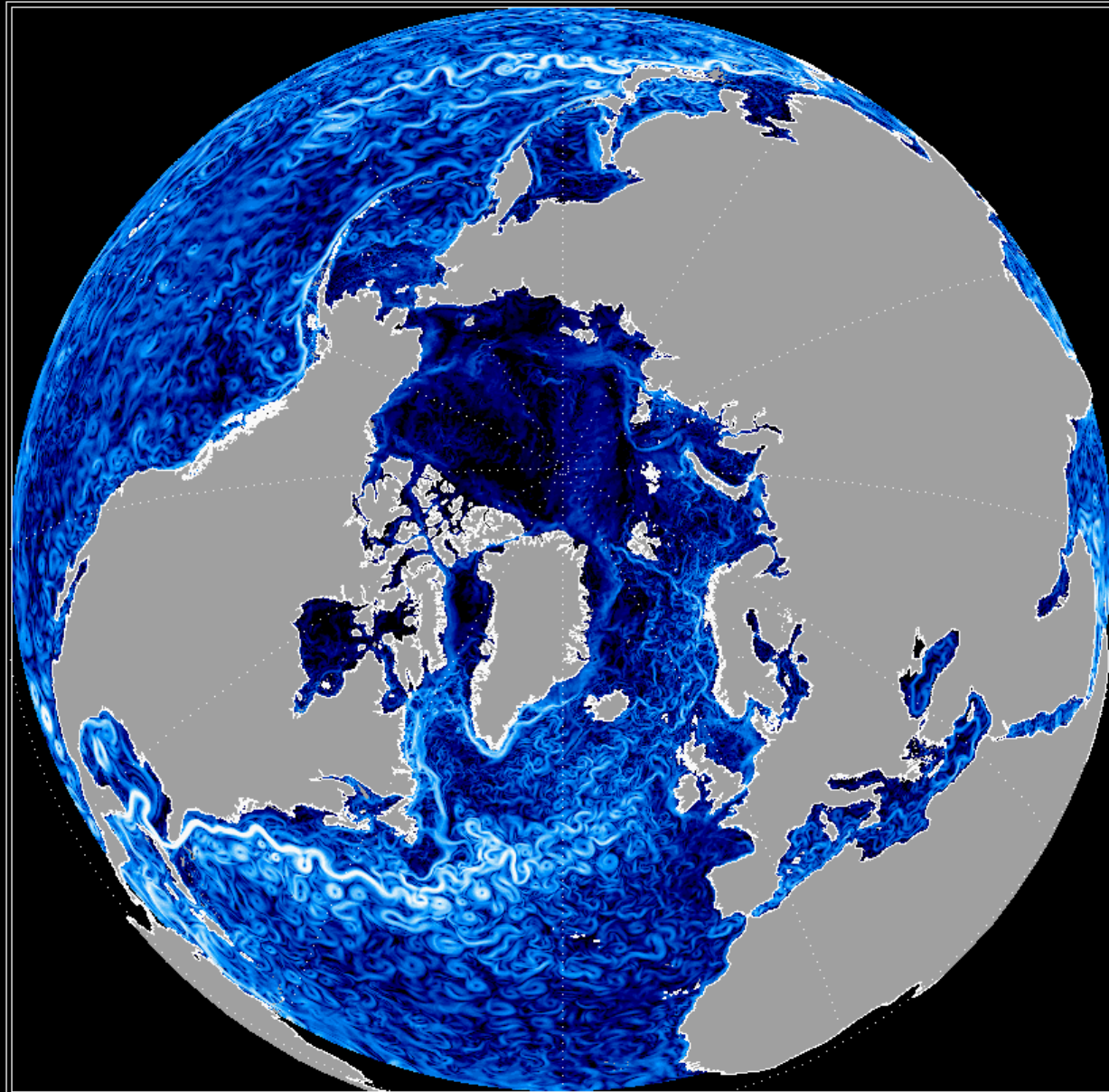
V3 MyOcean2 (April 2013)

Model

- NEMO3.1
- CORE Bulk formulation
- 3H Forcing + analytical diurnal cycle
- LIM2_EVP + full resolved ice/ocean momentum flux
- Changed TKE parameters
- Ocean colour for depth of light extinction

Assimilation

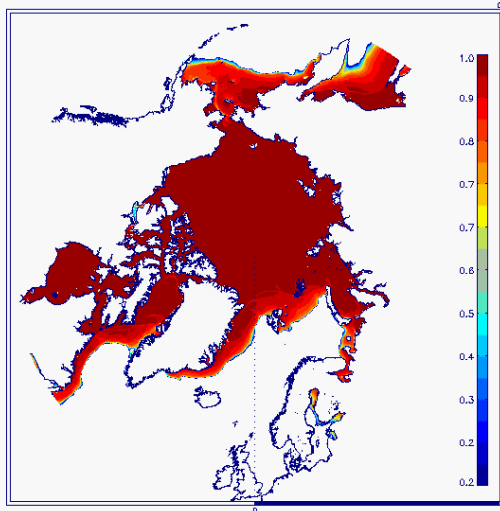
- IAU
- 3D-Var bias correction
- MDT CNES-CLS09 adjusted
- AVHRR+AMSRE SST
- Obs. errors higher near the coast and on shelves
- Increase envisat errors > 65° N



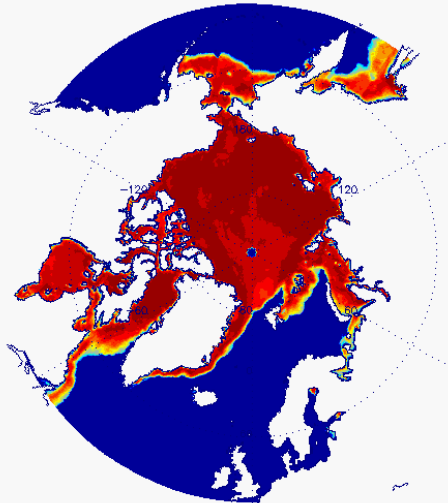
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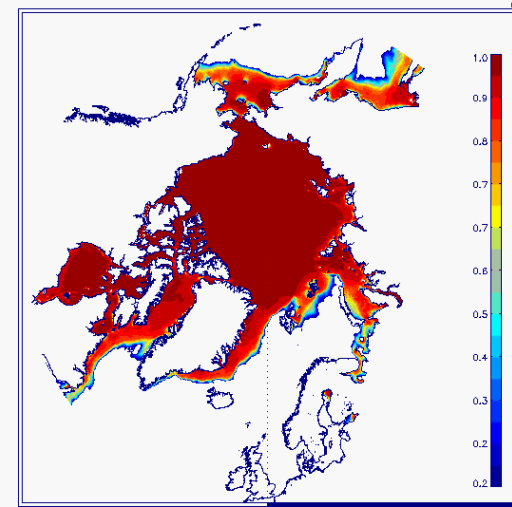
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**Obs.
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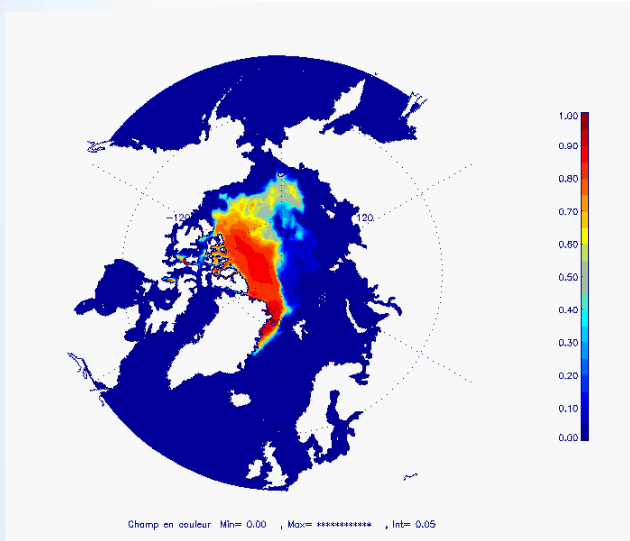
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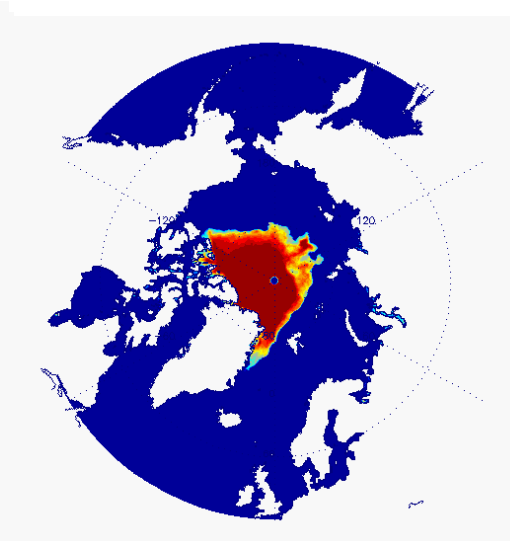
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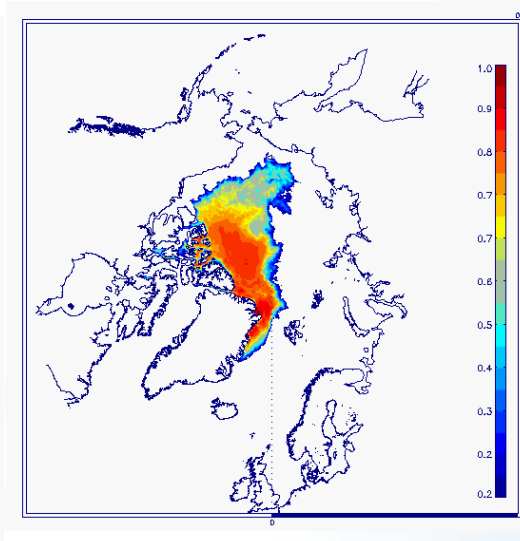
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MyOcean2**



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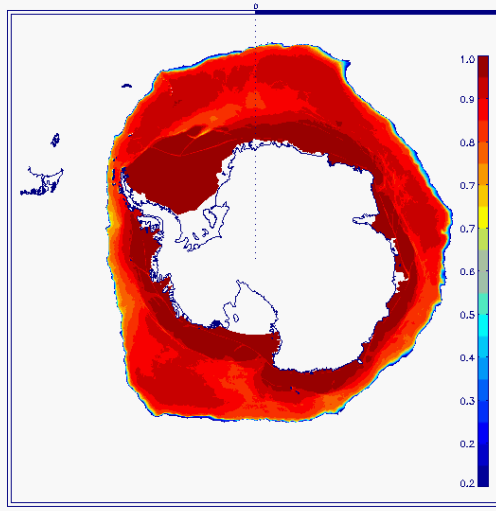


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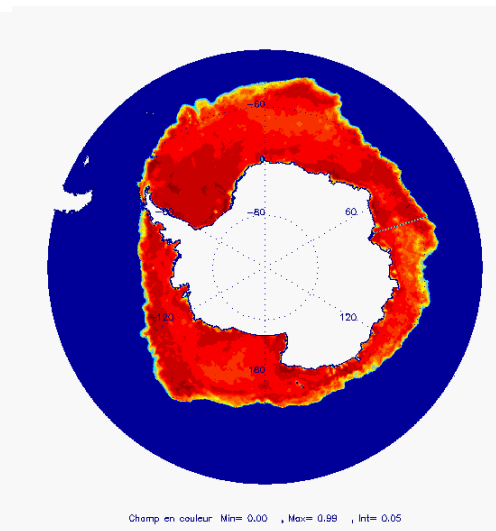
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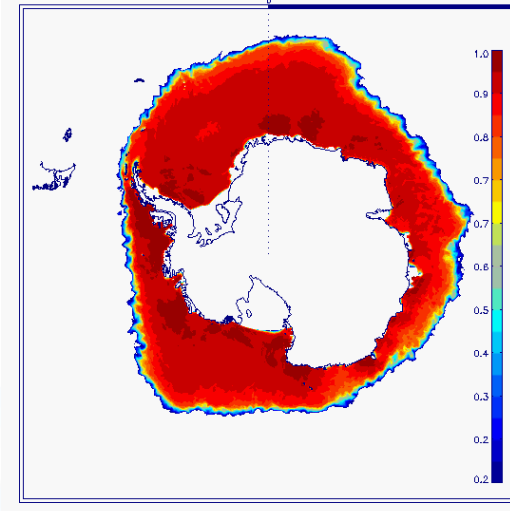
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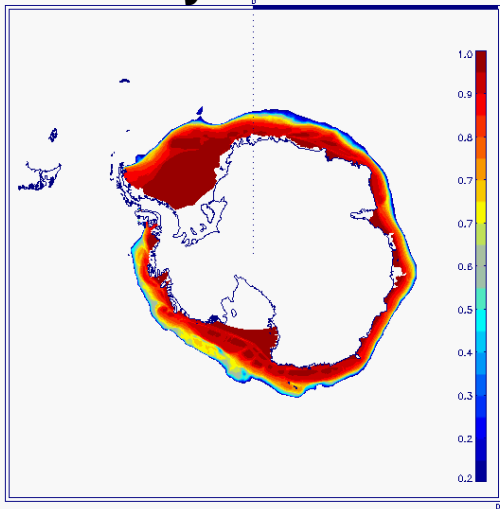


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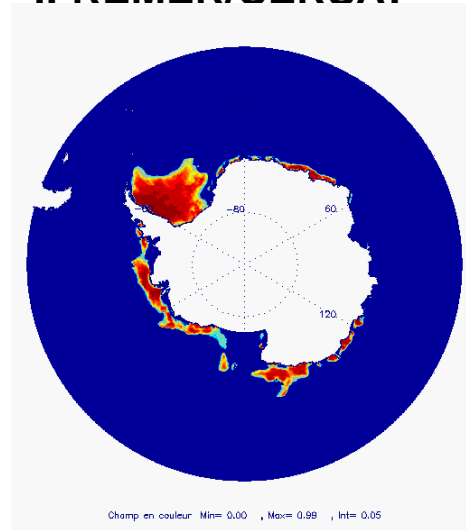
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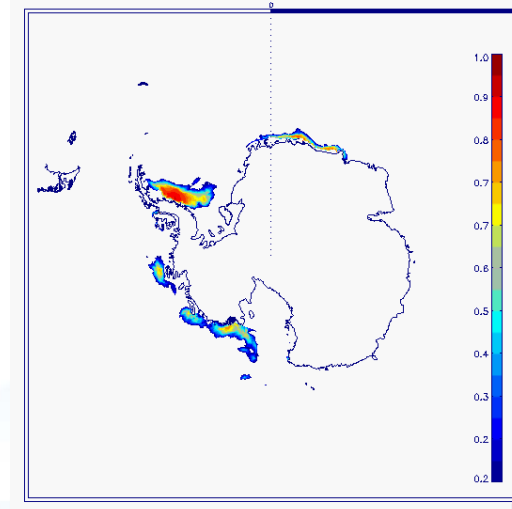
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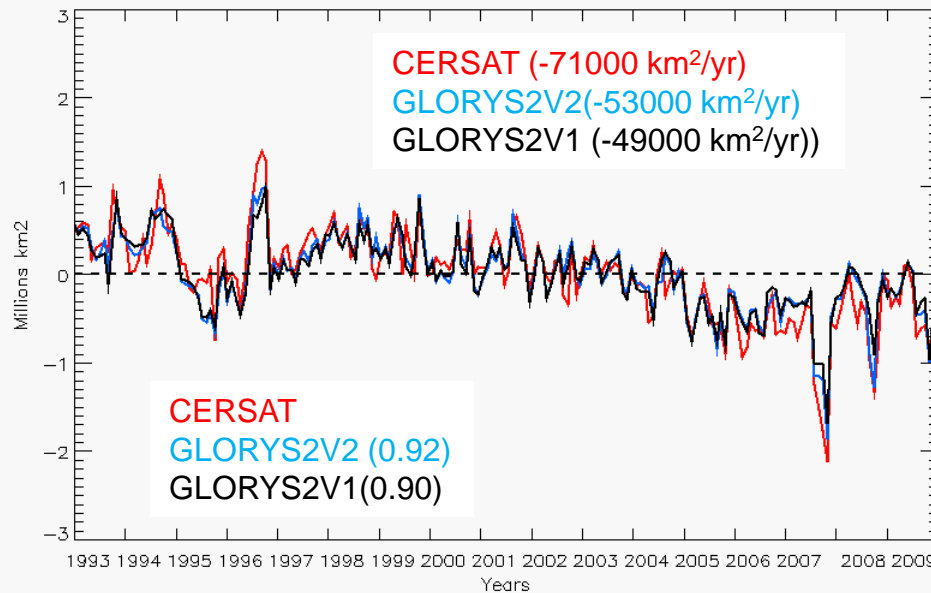


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Arctic Ocean

Sea Ice Extent Monthly Anomaly 1993-2009



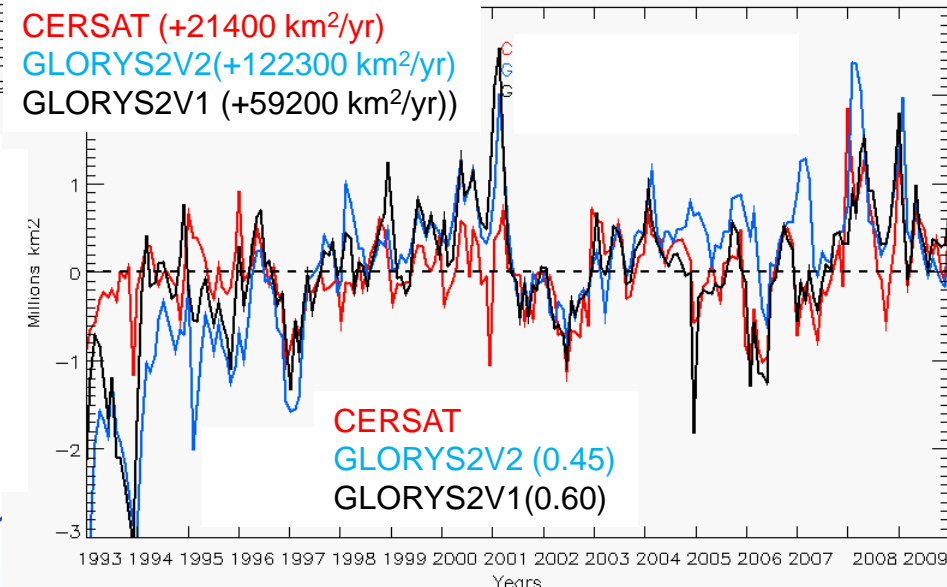
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- ✓ Strong correlation with obs
- ✓ Trend in accordance with obs

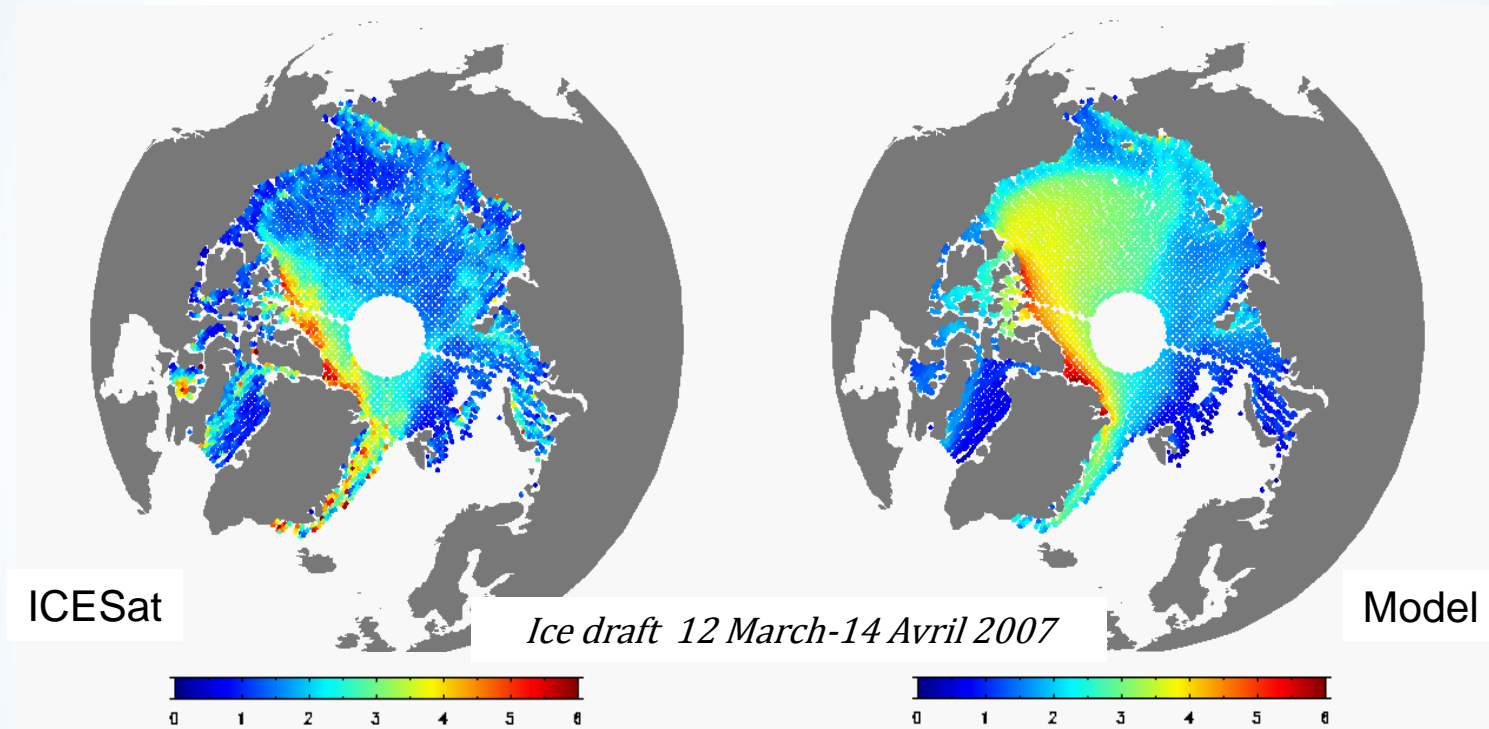
Antarctica

Antarctica

- ✓ Benefit from 3H forcing
- ✓ No significant trend over 1993-2009
- ✓ Interannual variability is dominant
- ✓ No significant decadal variability
- ✓ Initial conditions to be improved
- ✓ Peculiar strong events in summer 1993 and 2001.



Current status of operational system : oceanic reanalysis Validation of sea ice thickness 1993-2009

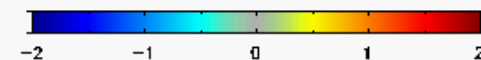
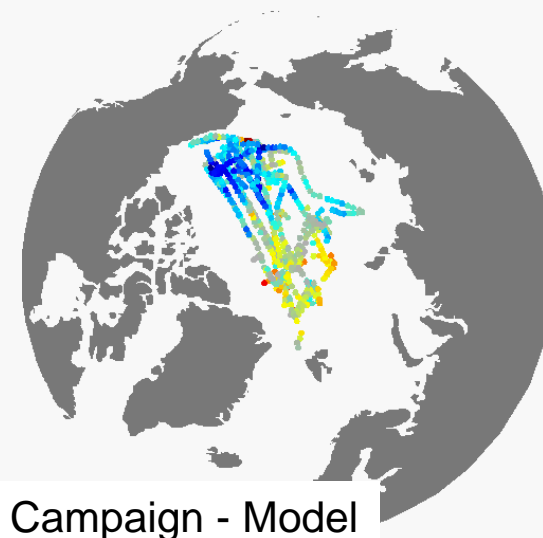
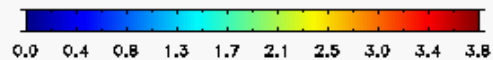
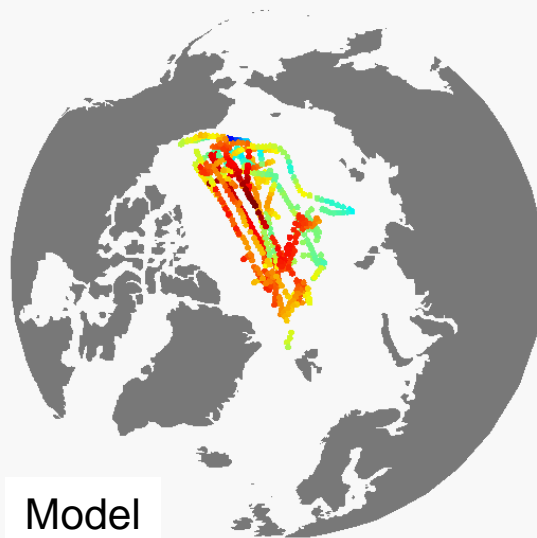
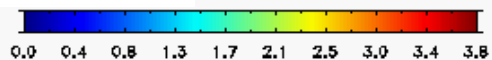
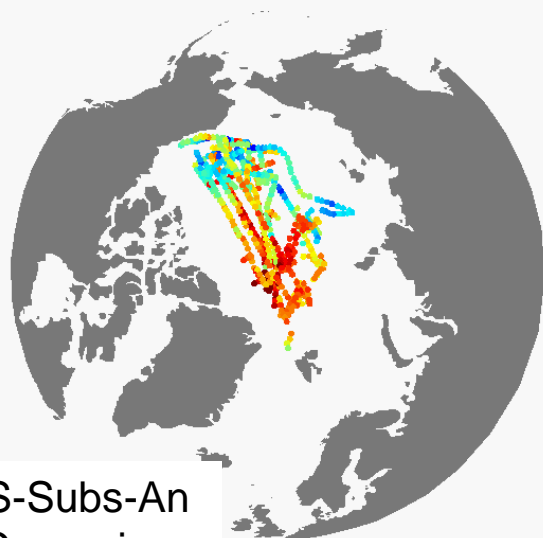


- Realistic maximum north of the Canadian Archipelago
- Eurasian Basin, Kara and Laptev Seas OK
- Strong overestimation in the Canadian Basin
- Weak transports in the straits

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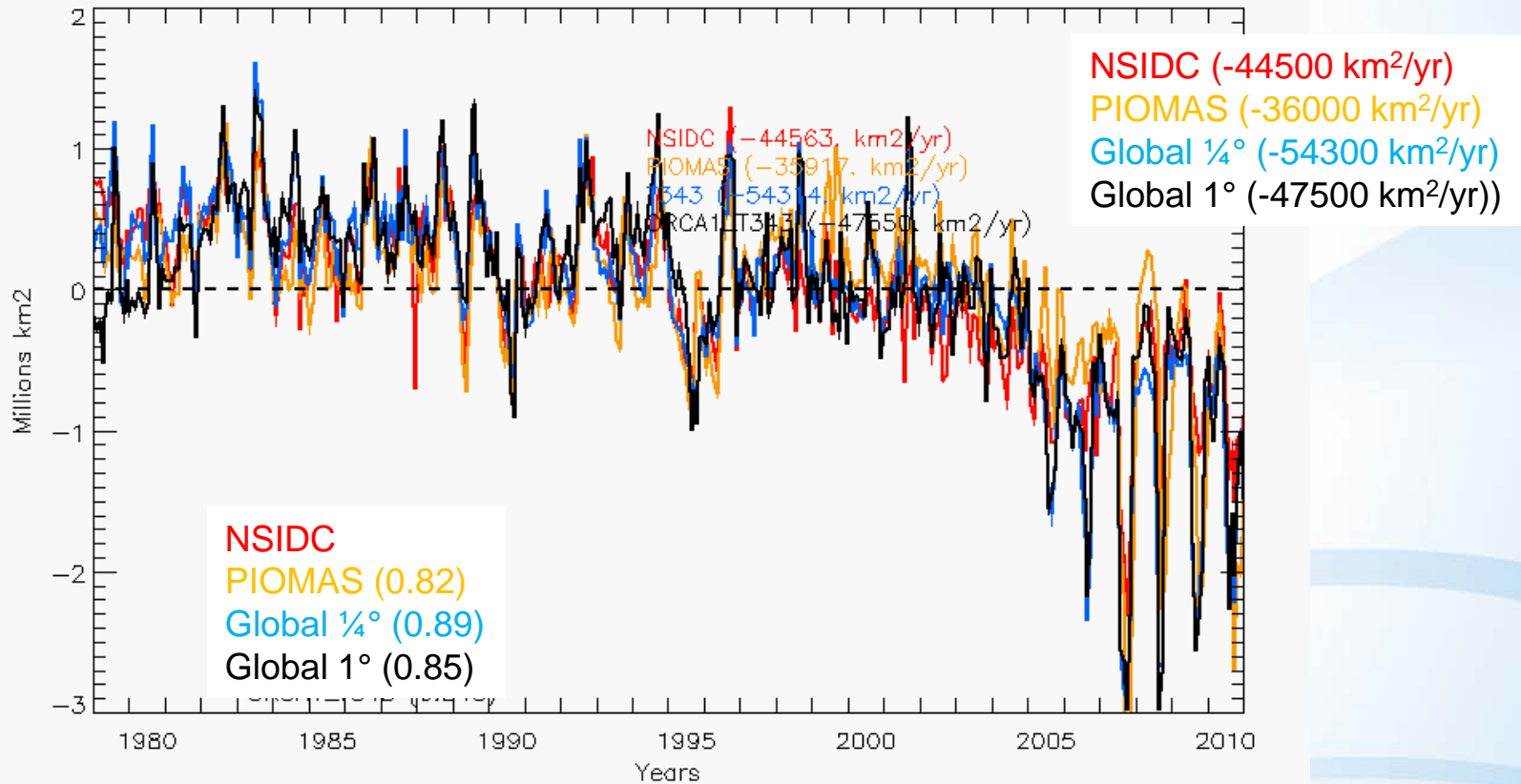
Ice Draft



- Light underestimation in the Eurasian Basin
- Clear overestimation in the Canadian Basin

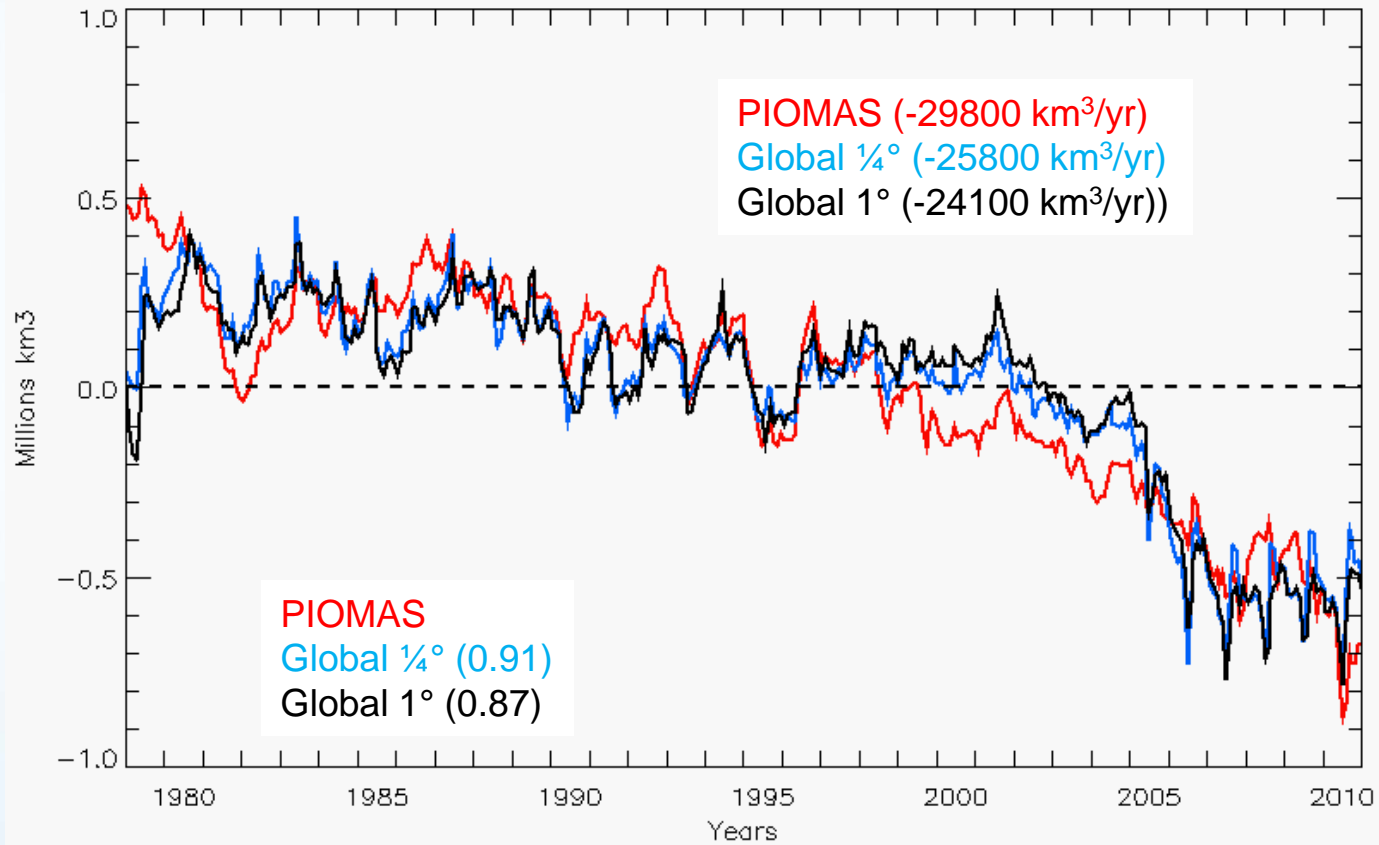
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Sea Ice Extent Interannual Variability



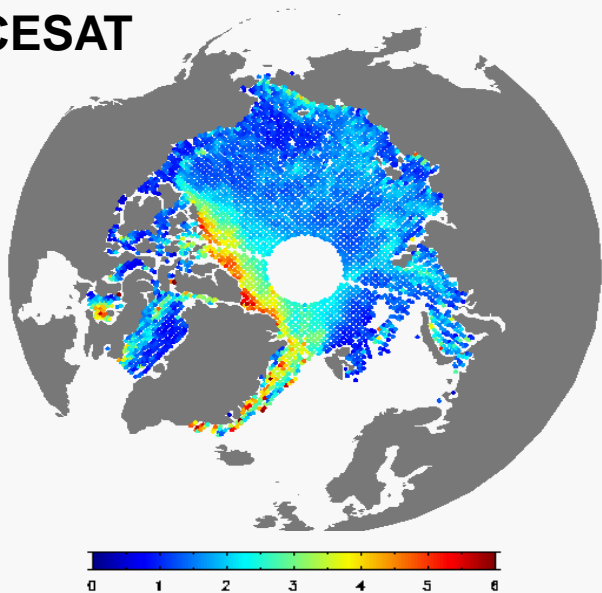
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Sea Ice Volume Interannual Variability



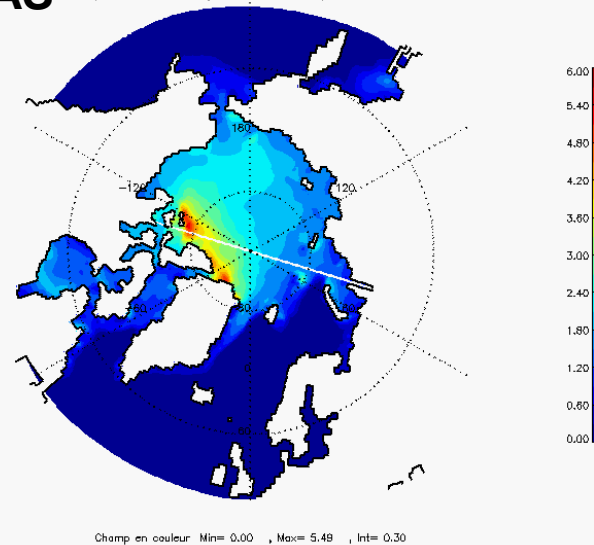
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ICESAT



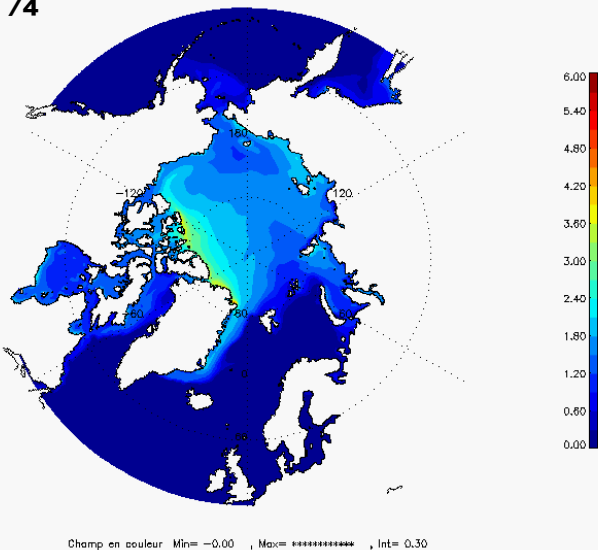
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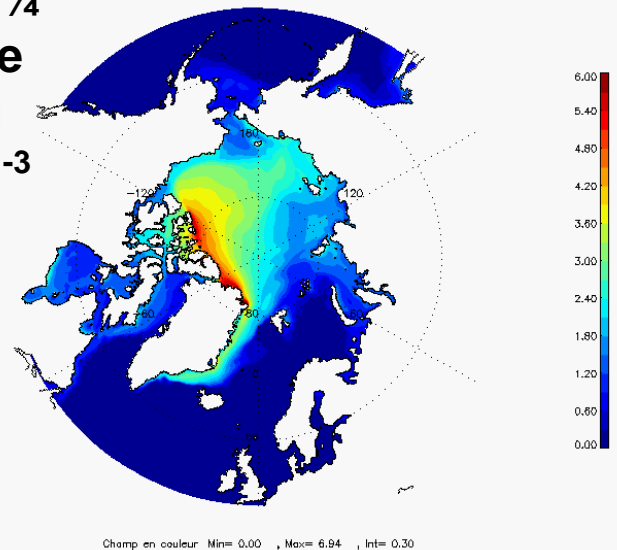
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Global $\frac{1}{4}^\circ$



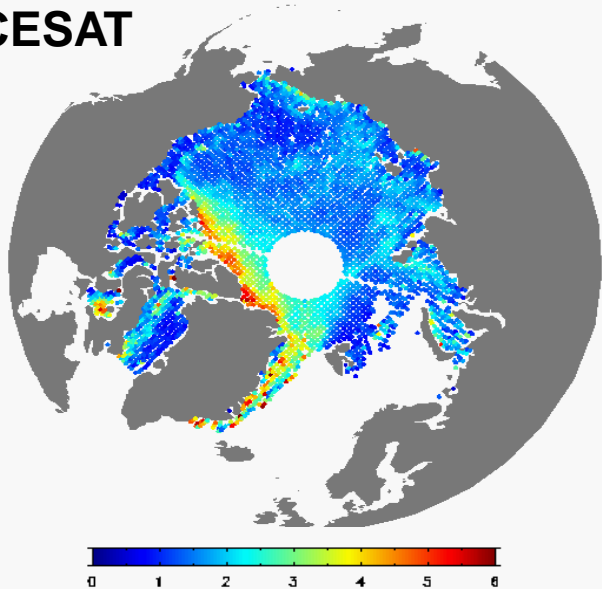
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Air/ice
drag
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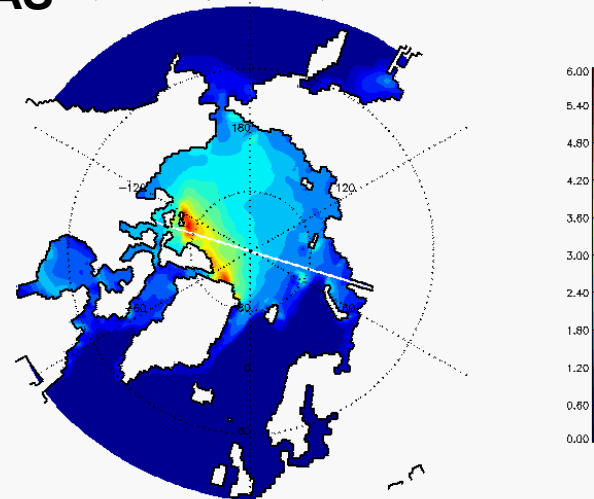
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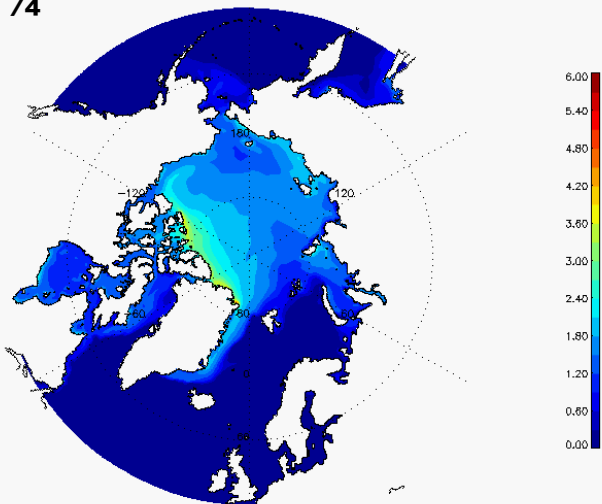
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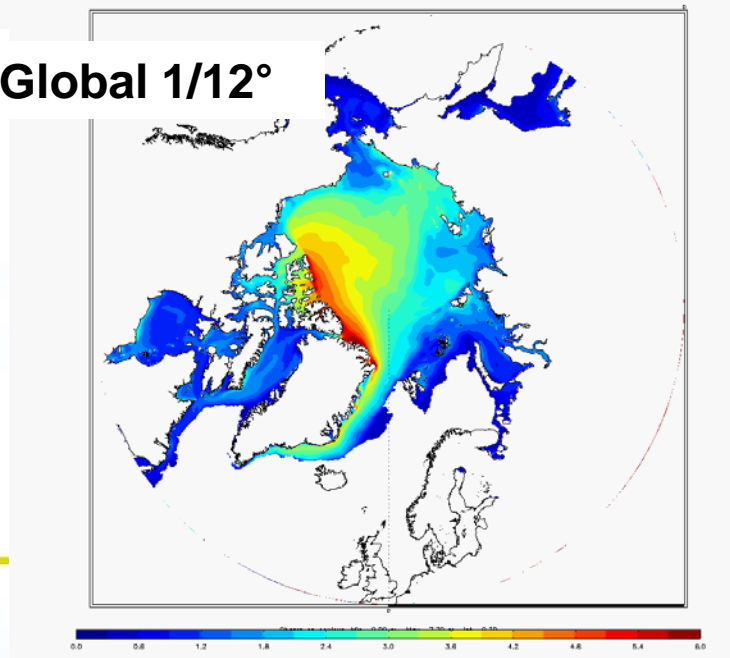
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Global $\frac{1}{4}^\circ$



Champ en couleur Min= -0.00 , Max= ***** , Int= 0.30

Global $\frac{1}{12}^\circ$



Open Call in the « Groupe Mission Mercator-Coriolis » (GMMC) framework.

Goal : enhance and favour collaborations and exchanges between research community and operational teams.

One of the thematics proposed is the **Operational Monitoring of the Arctic Ocean Climate Change.**

« The anticipation of the impacts linked to this climatic evolution needs a reinforcement of the monitoring capacities over the Arctic Ocean, ... A proposal is expected on this subject, under letter of intention or a PPR (Projet Partenariat Renforcé) form. ... Collaborations with Canadians people are strongly encouraged ... »

« The objective would be to improve the capacities of the operational monitoring over the Arctic Ocean from synoptic scales to medium range and/or seasonal forecasts »

« Planned works will concern ocean/ice modelling, in situ and satellite observations, assimilation schemes, air/sea exchanges, biogeochemistry coupling, and improvement of the reanalysis at high latitudes ».

Letter of intention has been approved and financed in 2012.

The project : gathering people around a reanalysis project dedicated to the Arctic Ocean & the Nordic seas.

People involved until now.



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⁴IFREMER (Brest), ⁵LEMAR (Brest), ⁶Links(Toulouse), ⁷Univ. Oxford (UK),
⁸LGGE (Grenoble), ⁹Météo France (CNRM, Toulouse), ¹⁰EC (Montréal, Canada), ¹¹UCL (Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgique).



Preparation of the PPR proposal.

Need to be submitted by early september 2013 and lasts for 3 years.

Financial support concern only conferences, meetings, ...

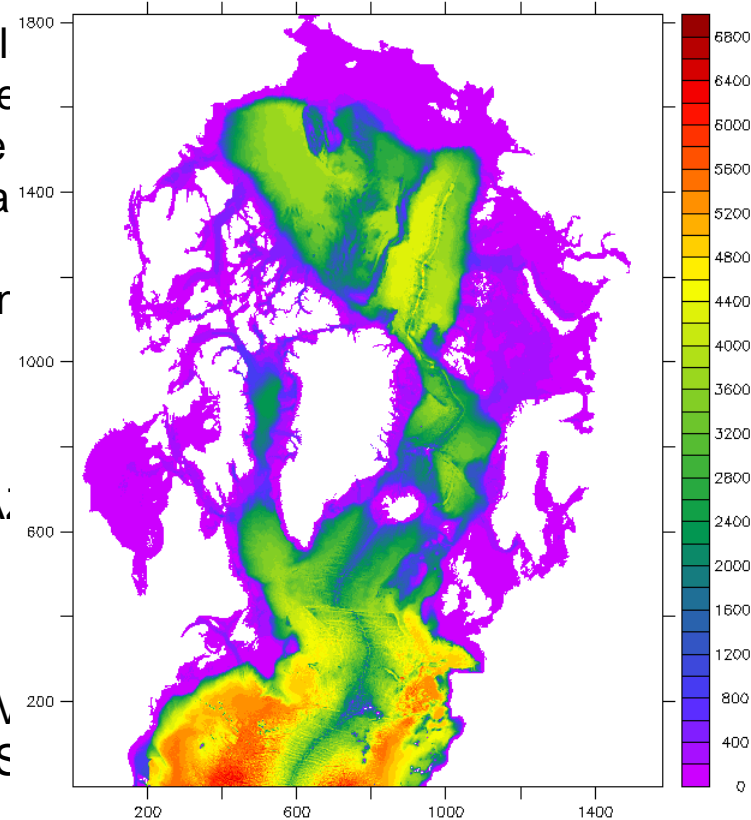
Three meetings already organised

Outlines of the project :

- Production of two reanalysis dedicated to Arctic Ocean & Nordic seas :
 - ✓ At $1/12^\circ$ including the 2007-2014 periods.
 - ✓ At $1/4^\circ$ including the 1979-2014 periods.
- Create a strong link between observation community and modelling/assimilation groups.
- Identify and retrieve data over the Arctic Ocean.
- Scientific objectives : freshwater storage, vertical mixing, inflow/outflow, sea ice volume, impact of the observation network, primary production, CO₂, ...

Configuration/NEMO-LIM

- CREG 1/12° (2-6km) + 75L / NEMO3.5 but assimil & CREG configuration not handled at Mercator Oce
- LIM2_EVP ; tests with LIM3 (assimilation interface
- Research part : Sea ice rheology (Grenoble, Louva
- Vertical mixing GLS (see Romain's talk)
- Research part : hybrid vertical coordinates (J. Char Badie), double-diffusion tests.
- No tides and no waves/ice interactions planified
- Boundaries conditions:
 - Bering strait : ~0.8Sv (literature, Canada, TOPA; Buffer zone for ice.
 - 26°N/Gibraltar : GLORYS2V3.
- Initial conditions :
 - October 2006 : Sea ice : sea ice fraction (IFREM global ¼° hindcasts; Temperature & Salinity (T/S MIMOC?
 - January 1979: Sea ice : sea ice fraction (NSIDC) Source: G. Smith, Env. Canada, Montréal (Levitus98).



Atmospheric forcing :

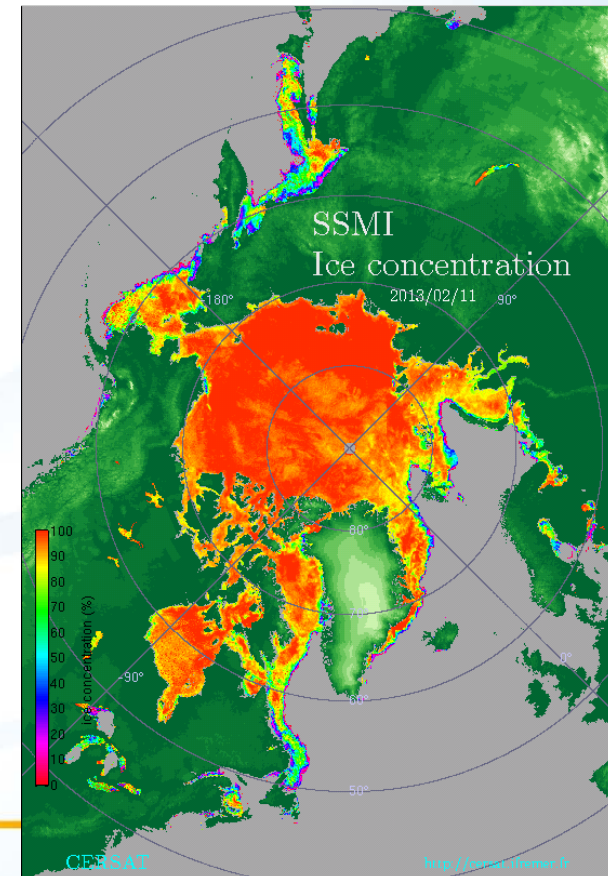
- 2007-2014: ERA-Interim (0.7°, 70km) 3H/24H (diurnal analytical cycle) + correction?
- 2007-2014: ECMWF IFS (0.14°, 16km) 3H/24H (diurnal analytical cycle) + correction?
- 2007-2014: GEM (33km)?
- 1979-2014 : ERA-Interim (0.7°, 70km) 3H/24H (diurnal analytical cycle) + correction?
- Formulation Bulk COARE over ocean & CLIO over sea ice
- Runoffs : climatological → implementation of interannual signal from ISBA/TRIP planned.
- Greenland and glaciers freshwater fluxes from GRISLI model ? GRACE ?.

The outlines

Observations

➤ Sea Ice

- Concentration (SIC) : 12.5km (IFREMER/CERSAT) (Assimilation + Validation)
- Speed : 62,5km (CERSAT) or 31,25km (available from 2002) (Validation)
- Surface roughness (~ thickness proxy) 12,5km (validation)
- Thickness CDR in situ data (validation)
- Thickness from CRYOSAT2? SMOSice ?
- Snow depth data ? (validation)
- CIS data ?



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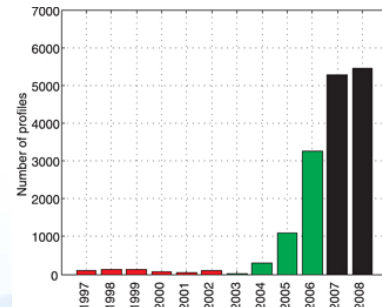
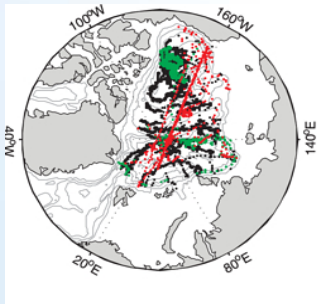
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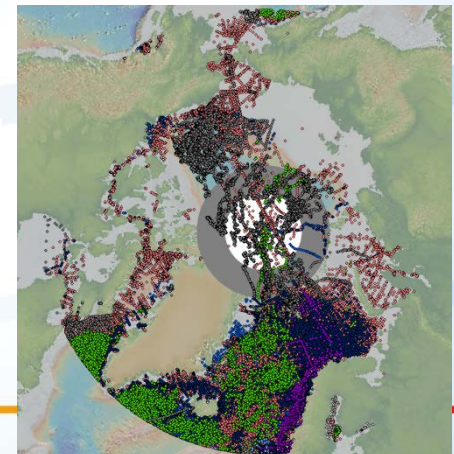
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- IAOOS, Arcticnet, IMR, ... data to be retrieved (LOCEAN/Mercator/Coriolis/Canada?)
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Données disponibles provenant des projets IPY & DAMOCLES.

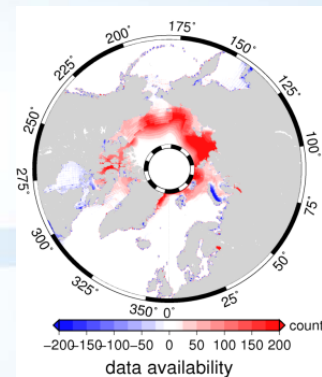
Données disponibles provenant
du portail du projet européen
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Total of 221324 vertical profiles
; 90% from GTS, US-NODC and
Argo floats.



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- SST
 - AVHRR $\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$ (Assimilation) OSTIA ? (Validation)
- Altimetry (CLS) (see M-H. Rio's talk) Assimilation
 - Product ($> 50^{\circ}\text{N}$) L3 & L4 delayed time 1993-2010 ;
 - Product ($> 50^{\circ}\text{N}$) L3 real time 2011-2012 with different standard
 - MDT, wait for GOCE ?



Assimilation

- SAM2V1 with ice fraction assimilation (implemented in GLORYS2V3 → see Charles-Emmanuel's talk) & SST assimilation.
- 2007-2014 : multivariate analysis with in situ and altimetry data.
- Modes : from GLORYS2V3 from CREG4 & ORCA12 for CREG12.
- Research part : anamorphosis approach.
- Not ready for velocities.

Biogeochemistry

- PISCES online
- Main target : 1979-2014 with CREG4;
- Need good physics : vertical mixing, shelves/basin exchanges, solar penetration (pelagos/benthos coupling), inflow/outflow.
- Need of PISCES calibration for Arctic specificities.
- Biogeochemistry in sea ice : not ready
- CHINARE campaign data (LOCEAN)

Validation/OSE/OSSE

- Diffusion criterion should meet the scientific objectives.
- Sensitivity experiments : large scale bias correction, experiments with and without in situ (OSSE), with and without altimetry, ...