

CORE Forcing Updates, NCAR Plans and Flux Applications

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Forcing Updates

- ISSCP – FD continues to be the rate limiter, ~18 months delay.
- All of 2007 available June of 2009, 2006 re-processed with 3 year (06-08) filling.
- Operating on a 2 year update cycle ie. 2007-08 in June of 2010.
- Not pursuing any changes to corrections, but would respond to suggestions.

BUG in NCAR Fluxes

Wind direction correction $-10^\circ < \alpha < 10^\circ$
NOT IN CORRECTED FORCING AT GFDL

BUG

$$\begin{aligned}U &= U \cos \alpha - V \sin \alpha \\V &= U \sin \alpha + V \cos \alpha\end{aligned}$$

CORRECT

$$\begin{aligned}U' &= U \cos \alpha - V \sin \alpha \\V &= U \sin \alpha + V \cos \alpha \\U &= U'\end{aligned}$$

For small α : $(\cos \alpha - 1) \approx 0$; $\sin \alpha \approx \alpha$

$$\text{ERROR } \delta V \approx -V \alpha^2 < 3\%$$

Mediterranean Experience with ECMWF

CLOSE BUDGETS : $Q_{net} = -6 \pm 3 \text{ W/m}^2$; $P+E = -.50 \rightarrow -1.00 \text{ m/yr}$

W/m^2	ERA-40	Bulk	Wind	SST	SW/LW	qair	Precip
SWnet	162	202			183		
LWnet	-79	-87		-88	-80		
Latent	-86	-80	-99	-100		-91	
Sens	-10	-12	-14	-16			
Qnet	-13	24	2	-2	-13	-4	
m/yr							
E	-1.08	-1.02	-1.27	-1.28		-1.17	
P	.39						.47
P+E	-.69	-.64	-.89	-.90		-.79	-.70

Corrections are based on means over limited time periods.

Therefore, trends may be spurious !!!

Normal Year Forcing :

- Based on 1984-2000 , has not been updated
- Not intended for ocean-ice
- Could modify for air-ice fluxes
- Could have done air temp and humidity better

Sea Ice

Given: Y year time series : U, V, X={ T, q }, SSX, ISX, fice
Construct : , $S = (U^2 + V^2)^{1/2}$, focn = (1-fice)

Transform: SU, SV, F = S[fice (X-ISX)+focn (X-SSX)], (fice ISX), (focn SSX)

High Pass Filter :

Inverse Transform using 1997 phase :

Yields : **SU, SV, F, (fice ISX), (focn SSX)**

NYF :

$$U' = \mathbf{SU} / (\mathbf{SU}^2 + \mathbf{SV}^2)^{1/4} ; \quad V' = \mathbf{SV} / (\mathbf{SU}^2 + \mathbf{SV}^2)^{1/4}$$

$$: S'U' = \mathbf{SU} ; \quad S'V' = \mathbf{SV} \quad \text{for } S' = (U'^2 + V'^2)^{1/2}$$

Find X' : $S [\text{fice } X' - \mathbf{fice ISX}) + \text{focn } X' - \mathbf{focn SSX})] = \mathbf{F}$

NYF (proposed):

$$X' = \mathbf{F} / S' + (\mathbf{fice ISX}) + (\mathbf{focn SSX})$$

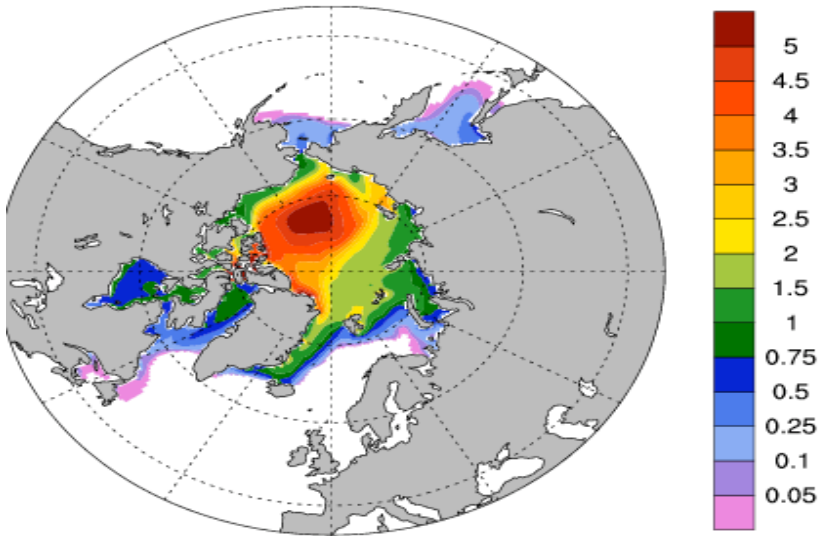
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NB: CORE I NYF designed for ocean forcing only : fice = 0

Case g3_5_23.211
ANN Mean Years 0146-0150

grid cell mean ice thickness

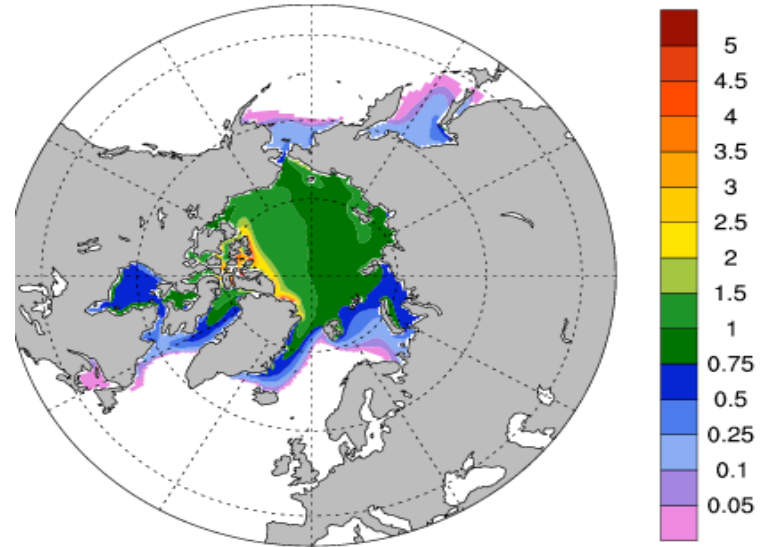
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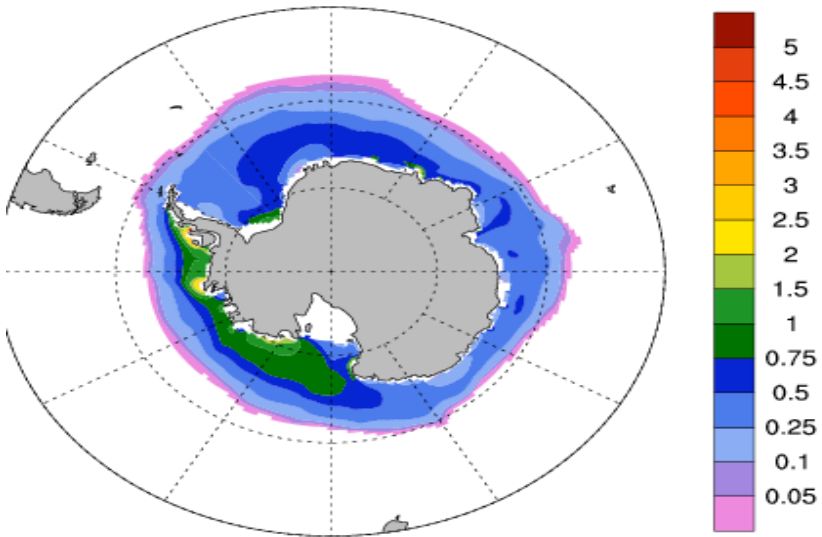
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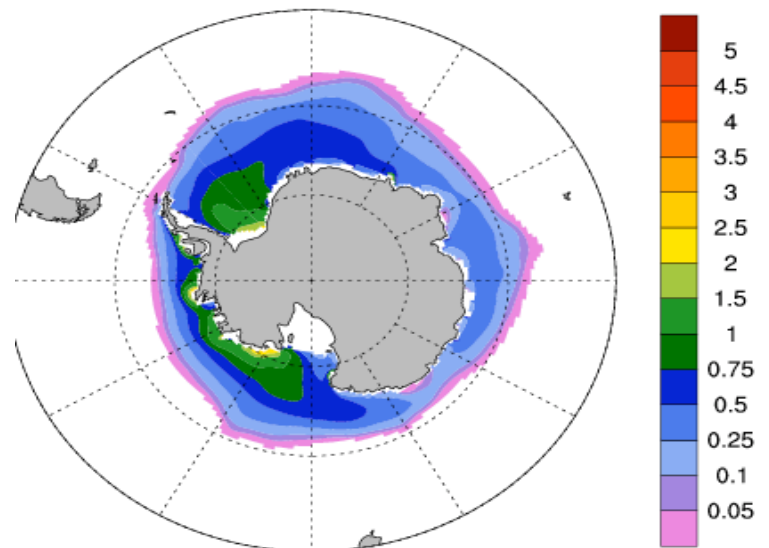
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NCAR Plans for CORE

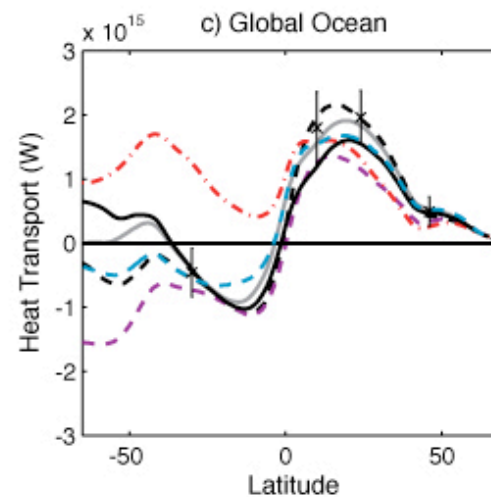
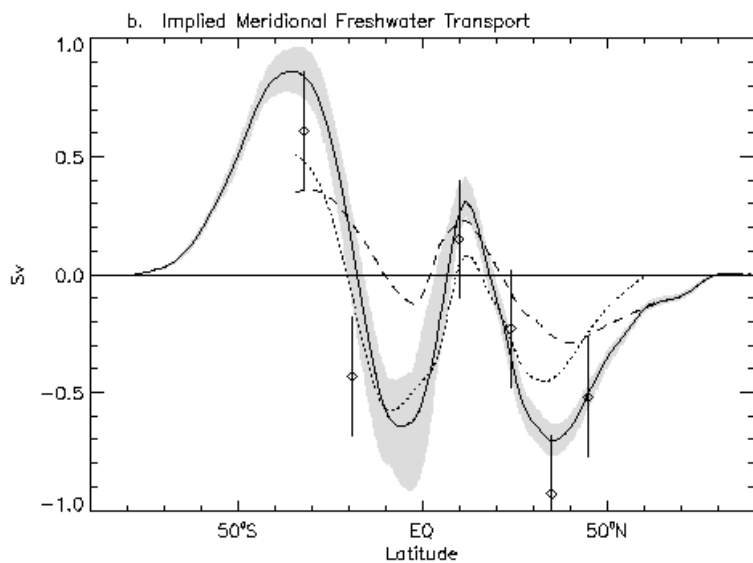
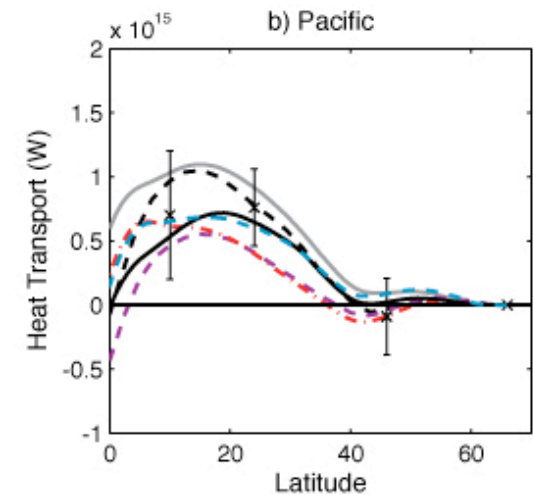
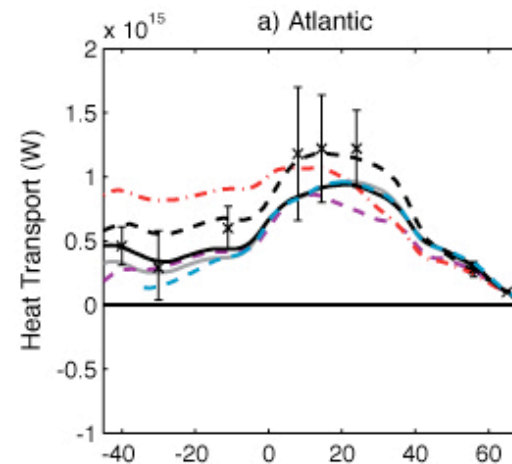
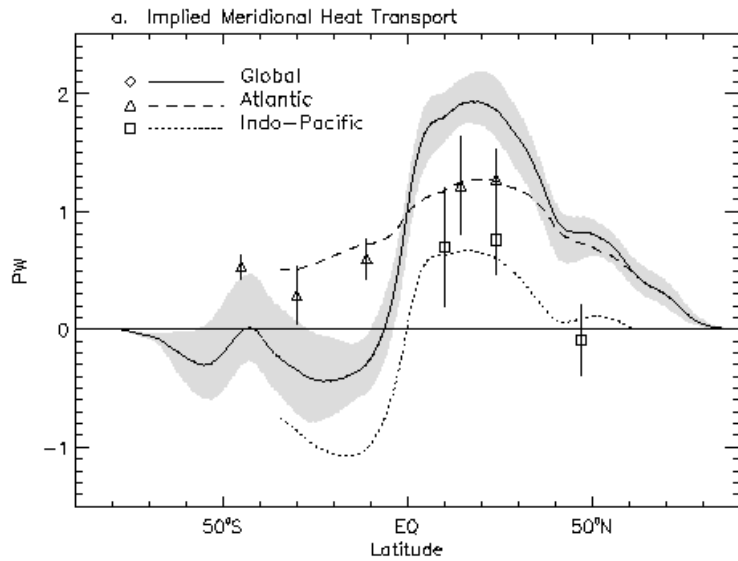
- Follow 8th WGOMD Meeting Report using CORE II (1948 – 2007 ???)
- Results will be used for 1 type of prediction experiments

FLUX APPLICATIONS

- Means
- Implied Heat Transport
- Coupling coefficient
- Trends
- Climate Indices

Implied transports

ECMWF – Dash-dot orange
 Large and Yeager – Dashed blue
 NCEP – Dashed magenta
 NOC1.1a – Solid black
 Trenberth residual – Dashed black
 UWM/COADS – Solid greys



TRENDS IN FLUX ANNUAL ANOMALIES

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q_{as} &= SW_{net} + LW_{dwn} + LW_{dup} + Q_{sen} + Q_{lat} \\
 &= Q_{sky} + Q_{pbs} \\
 &= Q_{sky} + Q_{sst} + Q_{air}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$Q_{sky} = SW_{net} + LW_{dwn}$$

$$Q_{pbl} = Q_{sst} + Q_{air} = LW_{dup} + Q_{sen} + Q_{lat}$$

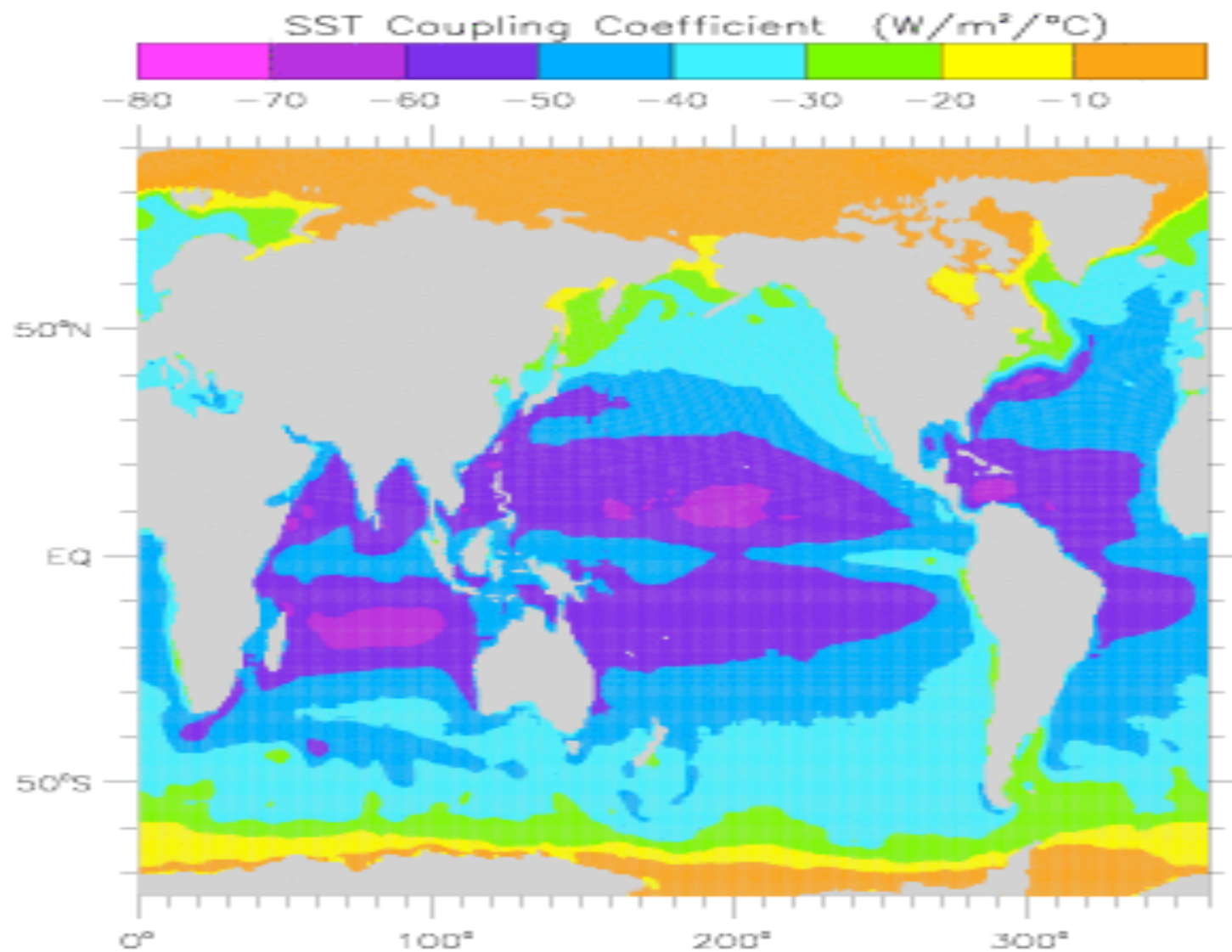
$$Q_{air} = U (C_e q_{air} + C_h T_{air})$$

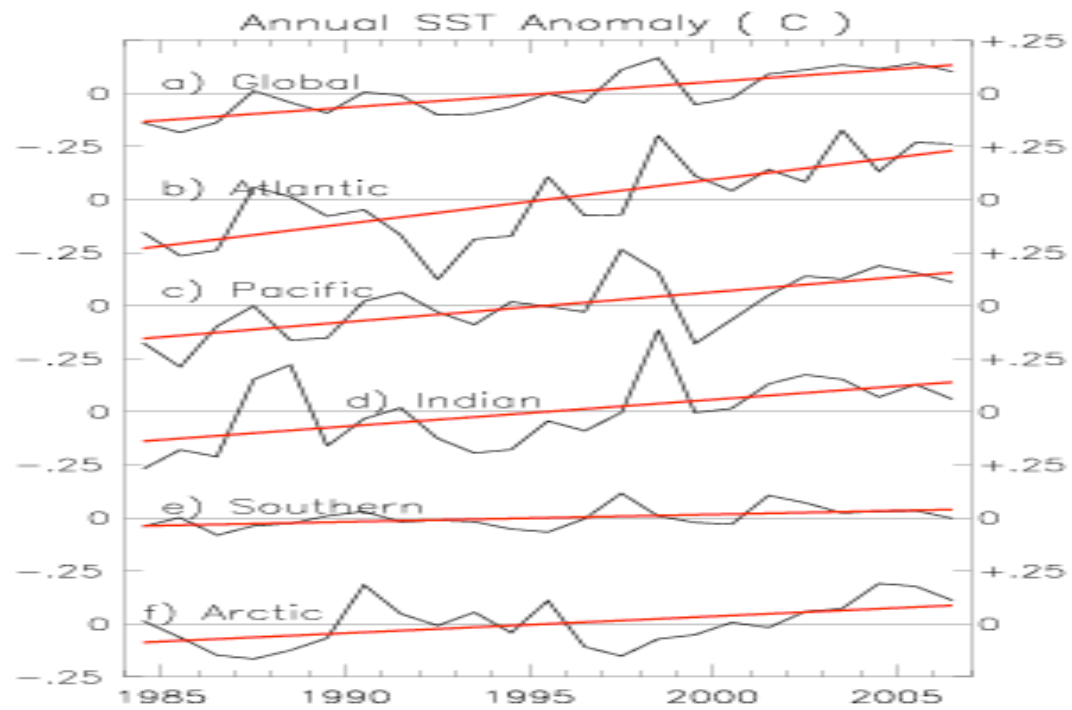
$$Q_{sst} = - U (C_e q_{sat}(SST) + C_h SST) - \sigma SST^4$$

$$Q_{net} = f_{ocn} Q_{as} + f_{ice} Q_{io}$$

$$C_{as} = \partial Q_{net} / \partial SST = \partial (f_{ocn} Q_{sst}) / \partial SST$$

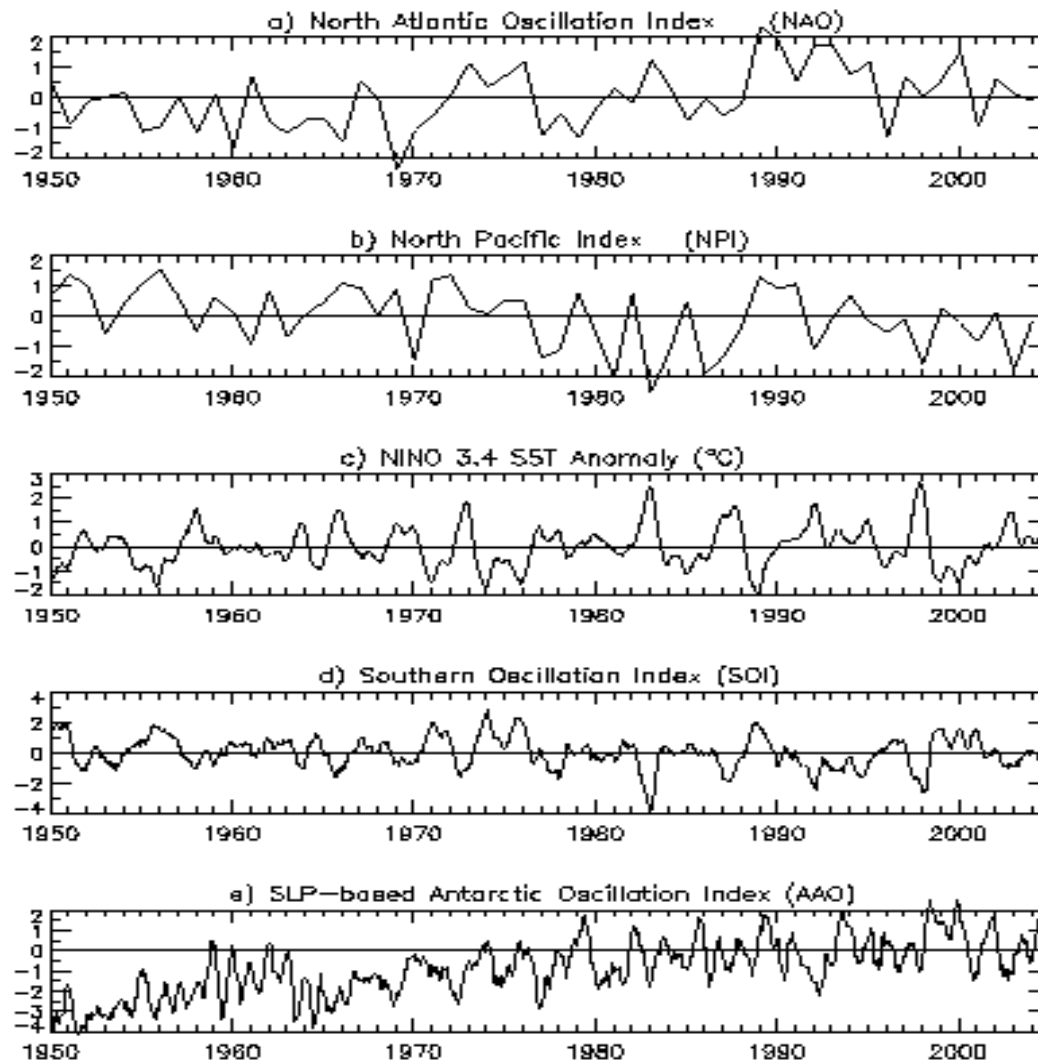
SST coupling coefficient



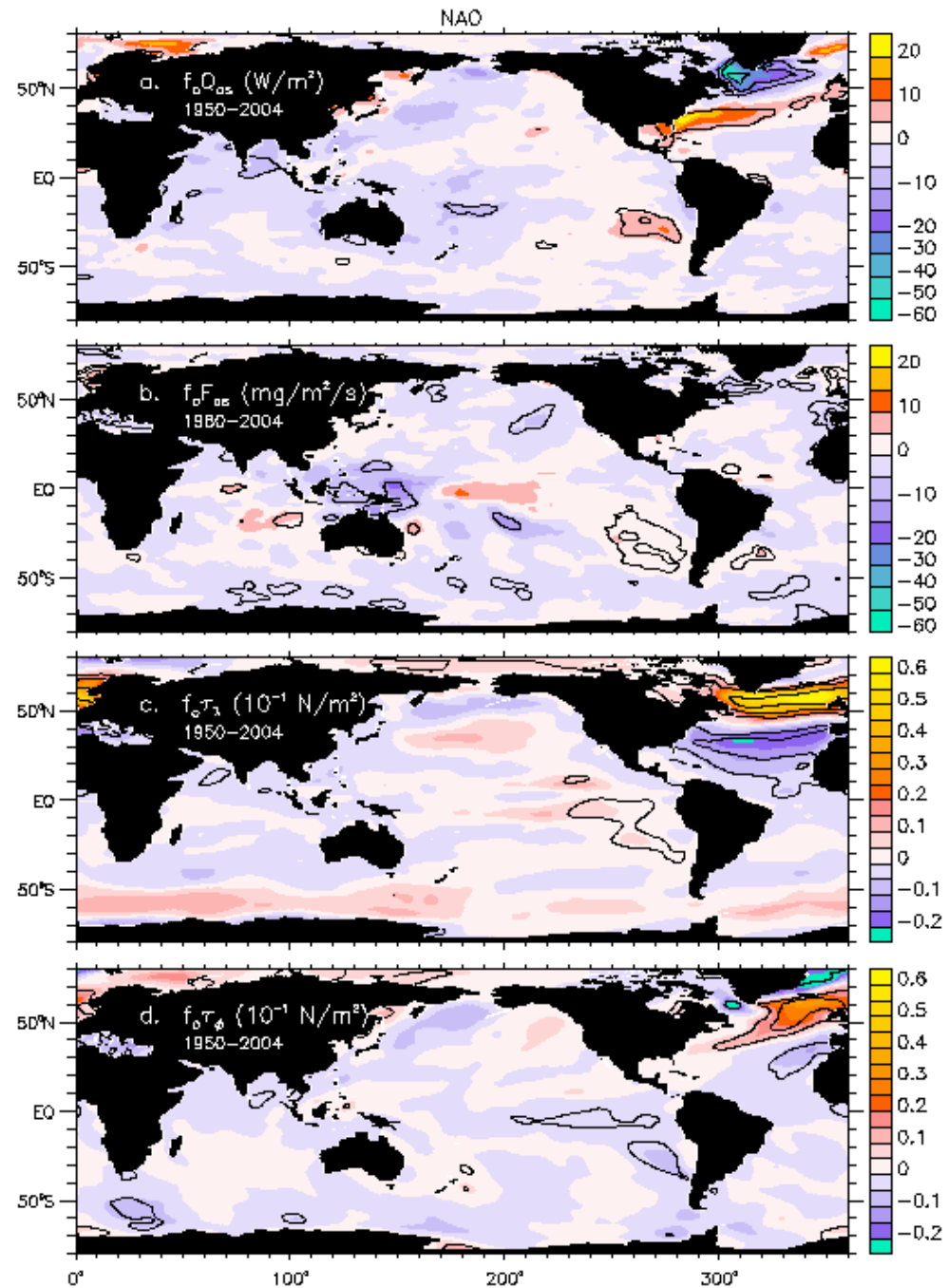


Δ_{23} (W/m ²)	Global	Atlantic	Indian	Pacific
Qsst	-12.9	-21.3	-15.3	-15.9
Qair	6.8	11.5	6.6	9.4
Qpbl	-6.2	-9.8	-8.7	-6.5
Qsky	-3.0	-0.2	-5.6	-5.4
Qnet	-9.1	-10.1	-14.3	-11.9

Inter-annual Climate Variability



Regression slopes :
Fluxes on NAO index



Regression slopes :
Fluxes on SIO index

