

Some highlights on CLIVAR Energy Activities

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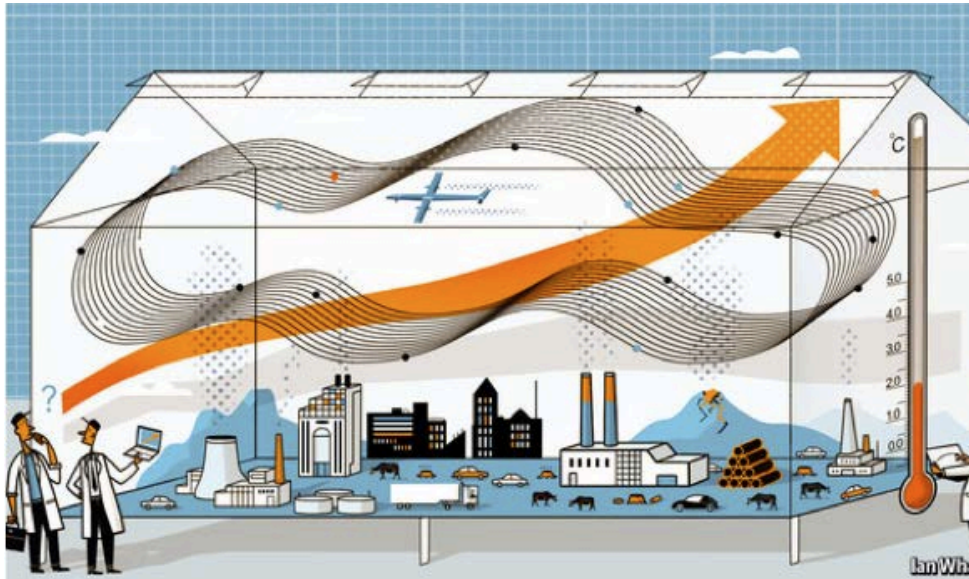
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Why?

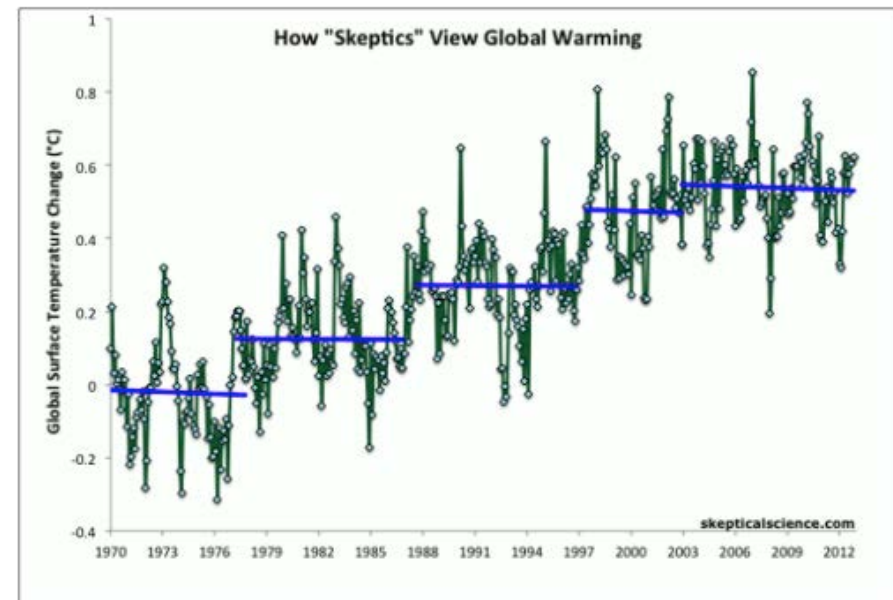
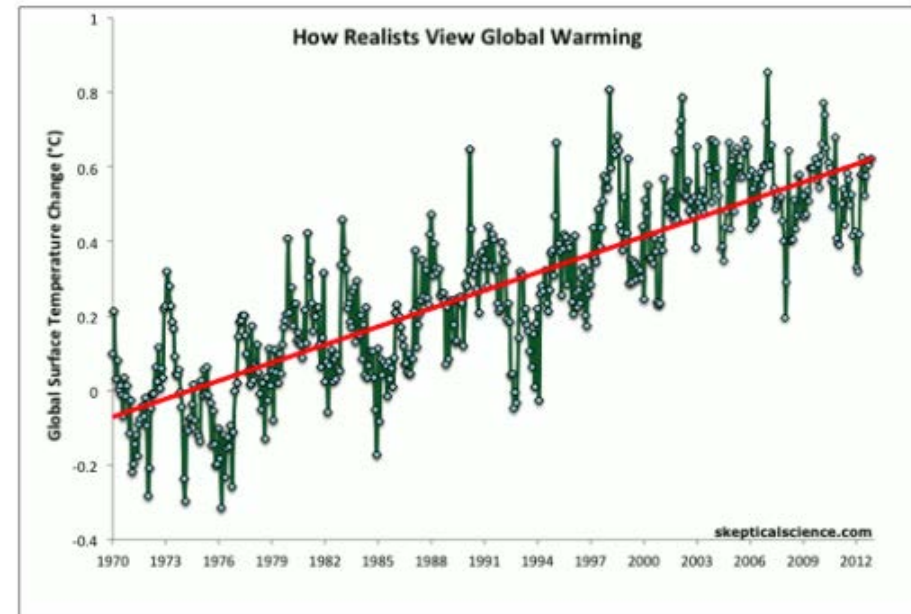
The Temperature Plateau - A Sensitive Matter



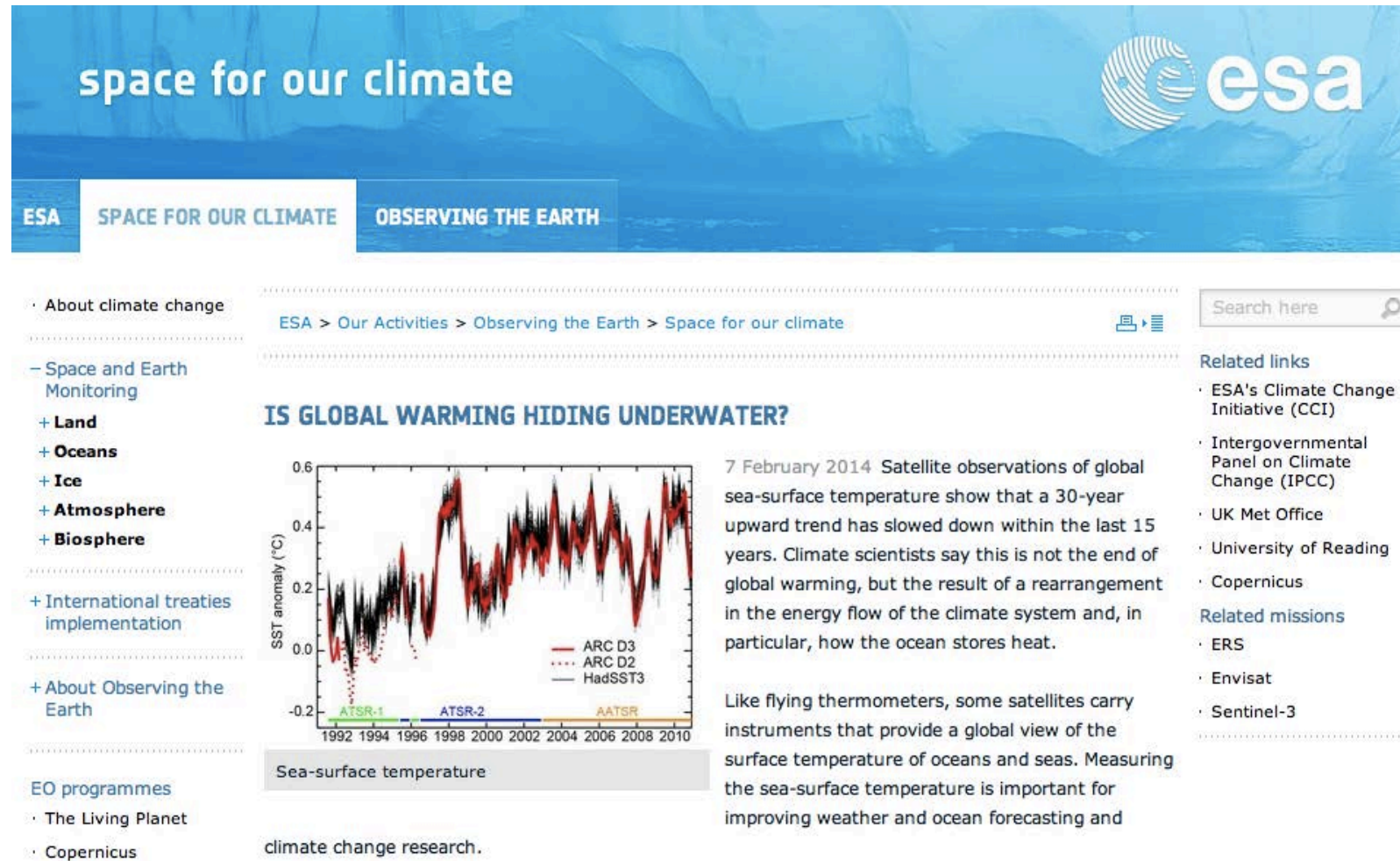
Climate science

A sensitive matter

The climate may be heating up less in response to greenhouse-gas emissions than was once thought. But that does not mean the problem is going away



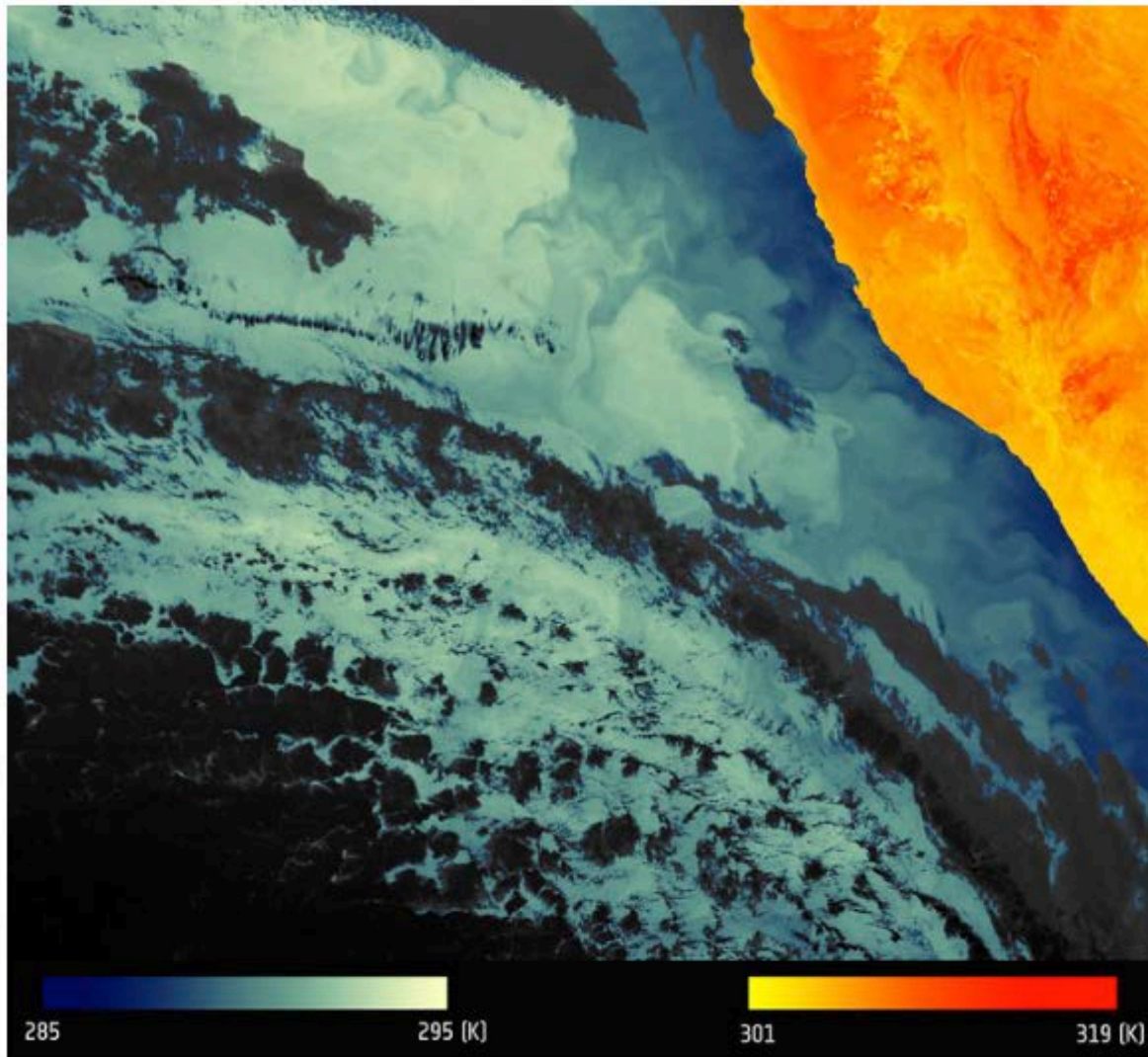
Hiatus period as seen from space (SST)



Possible causes? .. Natural Climate Variability, Reduced Solar Variability, ENSO (La Nina), Increased Stratospheric Aerosols from Volcanoes, Asian Pollution, Deep ocean heat uptake, Sampling Bias in polar regions, Obs quality,

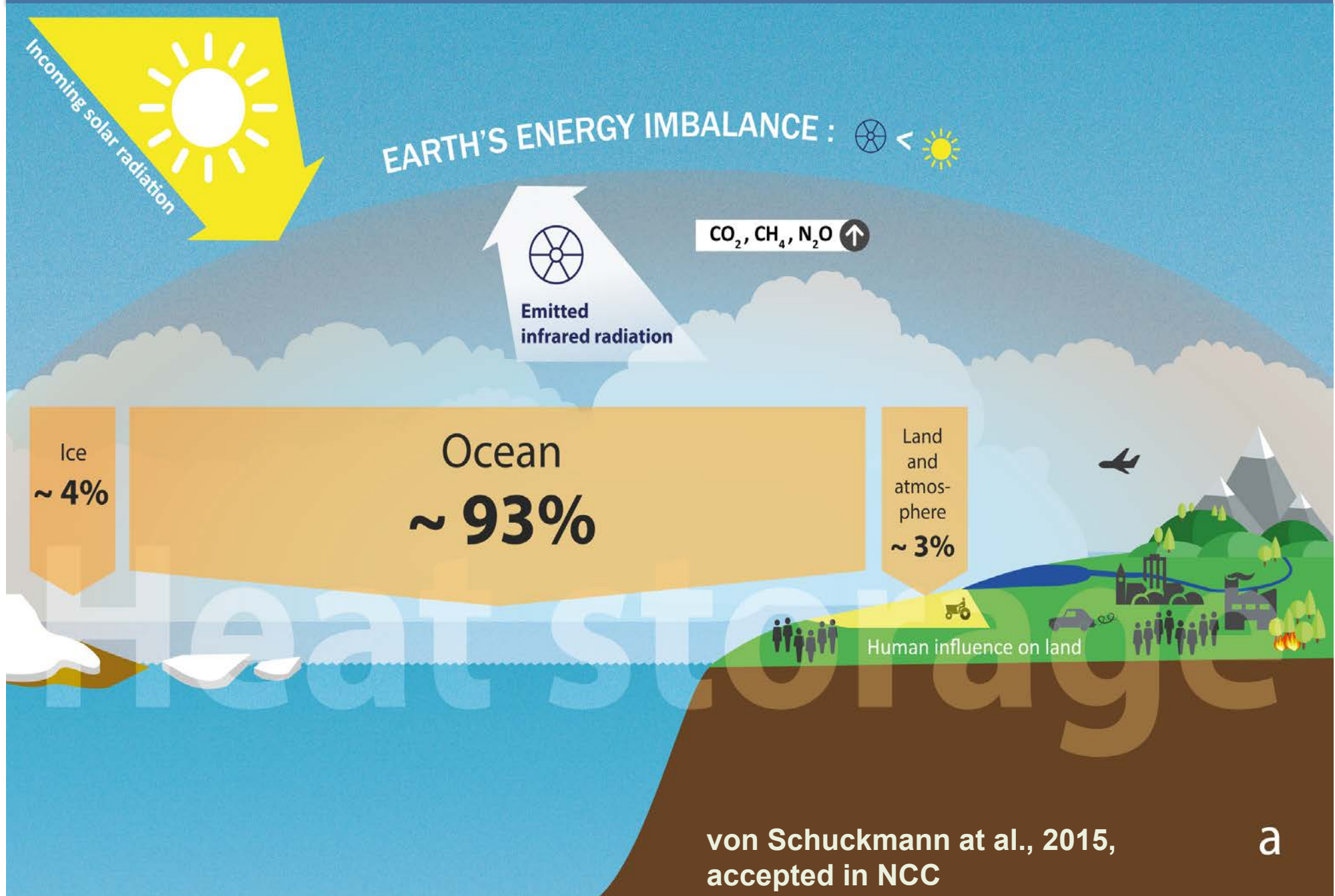
Heat as seen from Space through S-3

THERMAL SIGNATURE OF NAMIBIAN COASTLINE

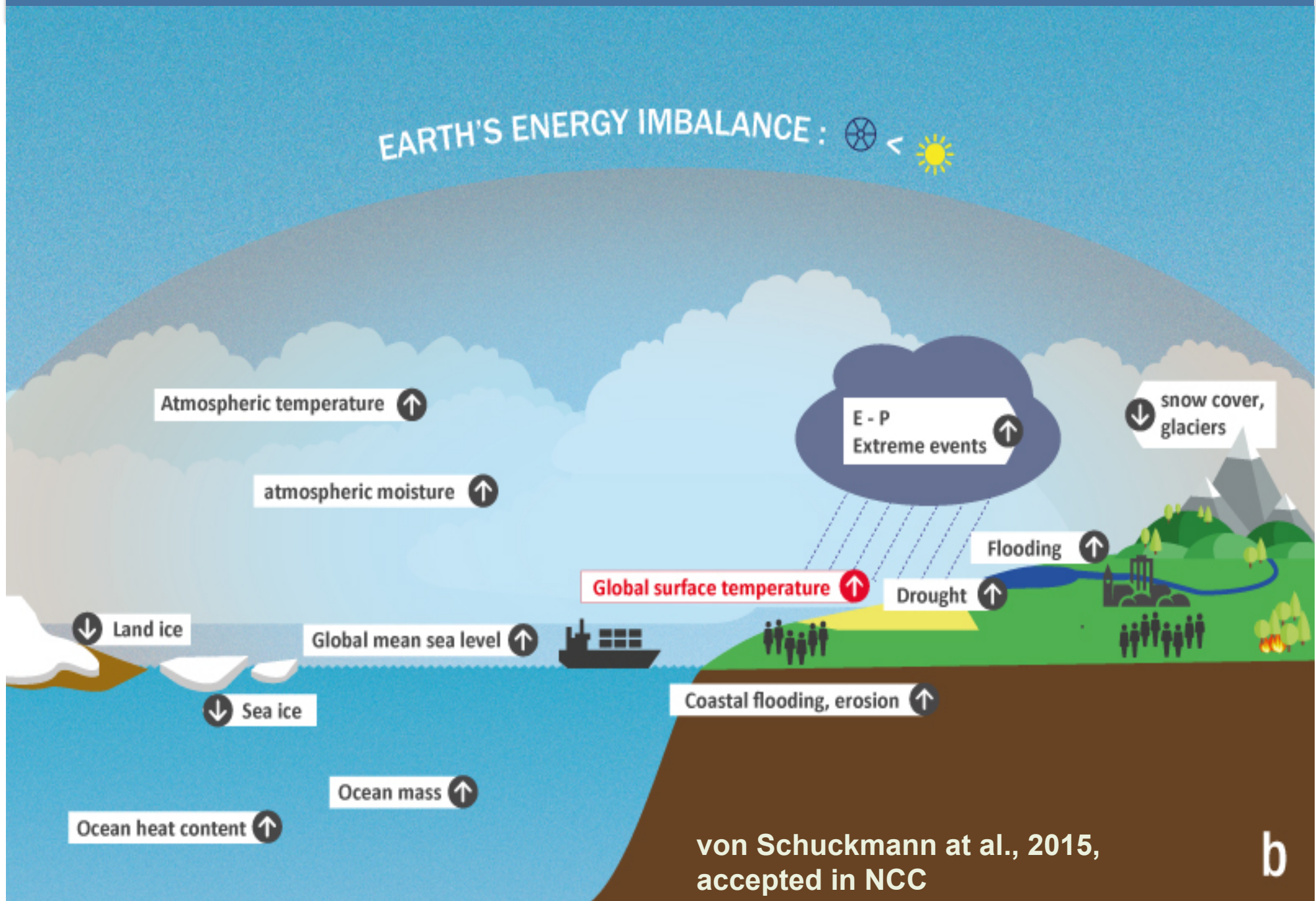


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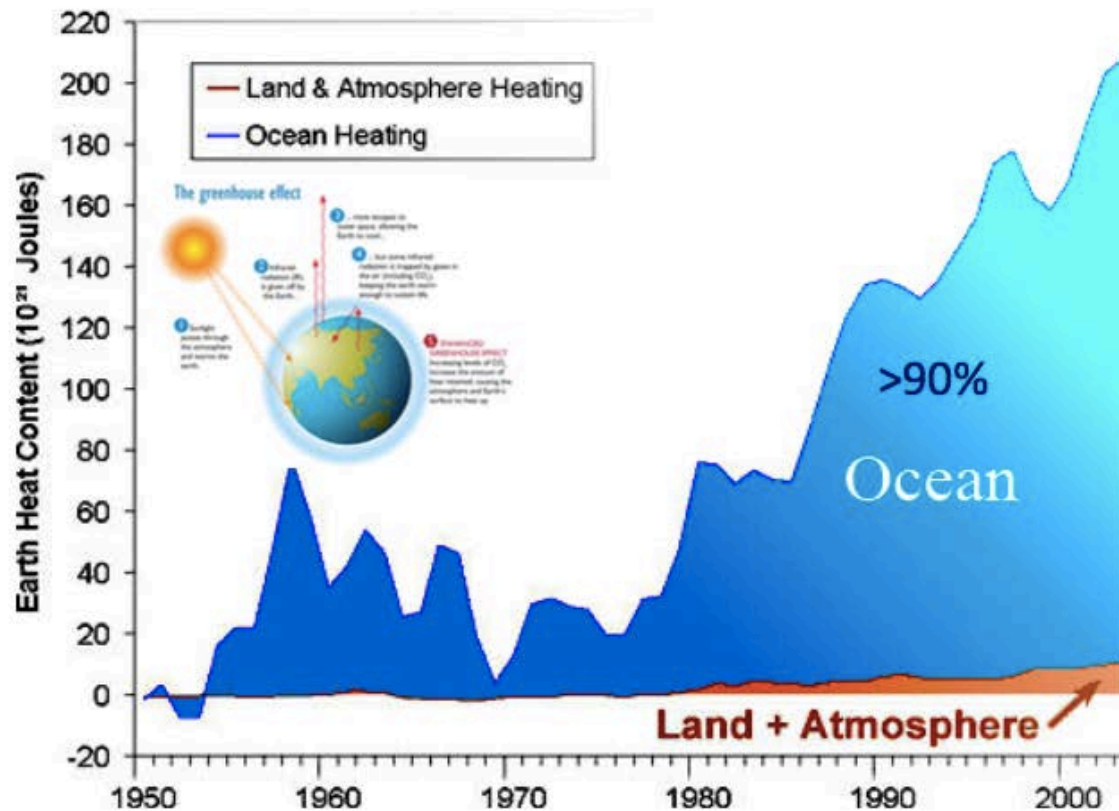
Positive Earth's Energy Imbalance: accumulation and storage of heat



“Symptoms” of positive EEI



Earth's total heat content



Rhein et al. (2013) IPCC AR5

Ocean is a big player in our understanding of climate variability as well as changing climate.

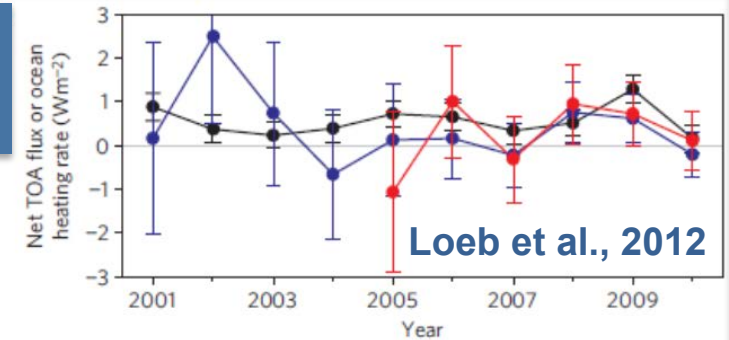
- Earth Energy Imbalance
- Water cycle
- Sea level

Demands high-quality, complete and consistent long-term ocean data

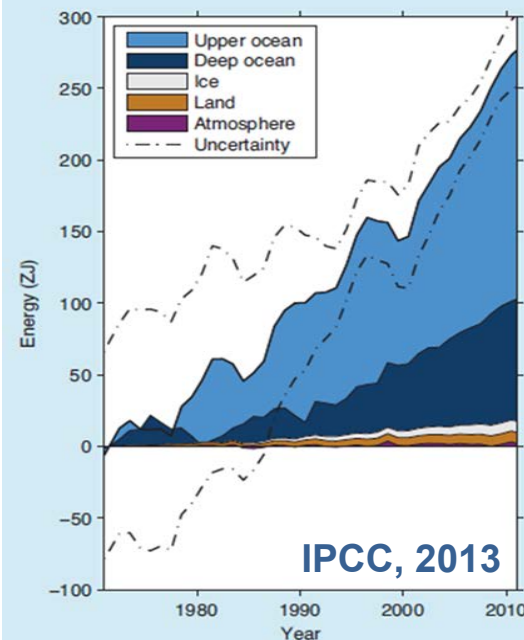
Different approaches determining Earth's energy imbalance



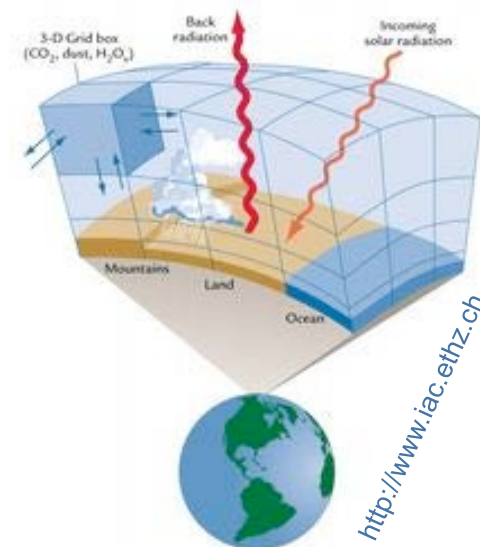
Radiation at TOA



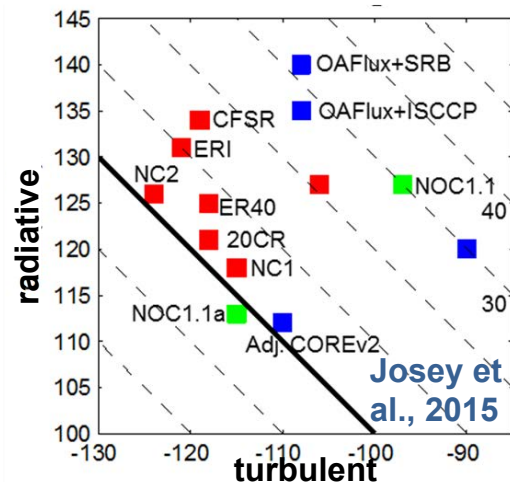
Storage inventory (OHC)



Hindcast and climate projection



Surface flux



Different approaches determining Earth's energy imbalance: TOA & OHC

Estimates of EEI

1993-2008: 0.8 to 0.9 Wm^2

(Trenberth et al., 2011; Trenberth and Fasullo, 2011; Hansen et al., 2011; Balmaseda et al., 2013b)

1993-2008: 0.57 Wm^2

(Hansen et al., 2001 with Levitus et al., 2009 OHC, or similar with Johnson et al., 2012 OHC)

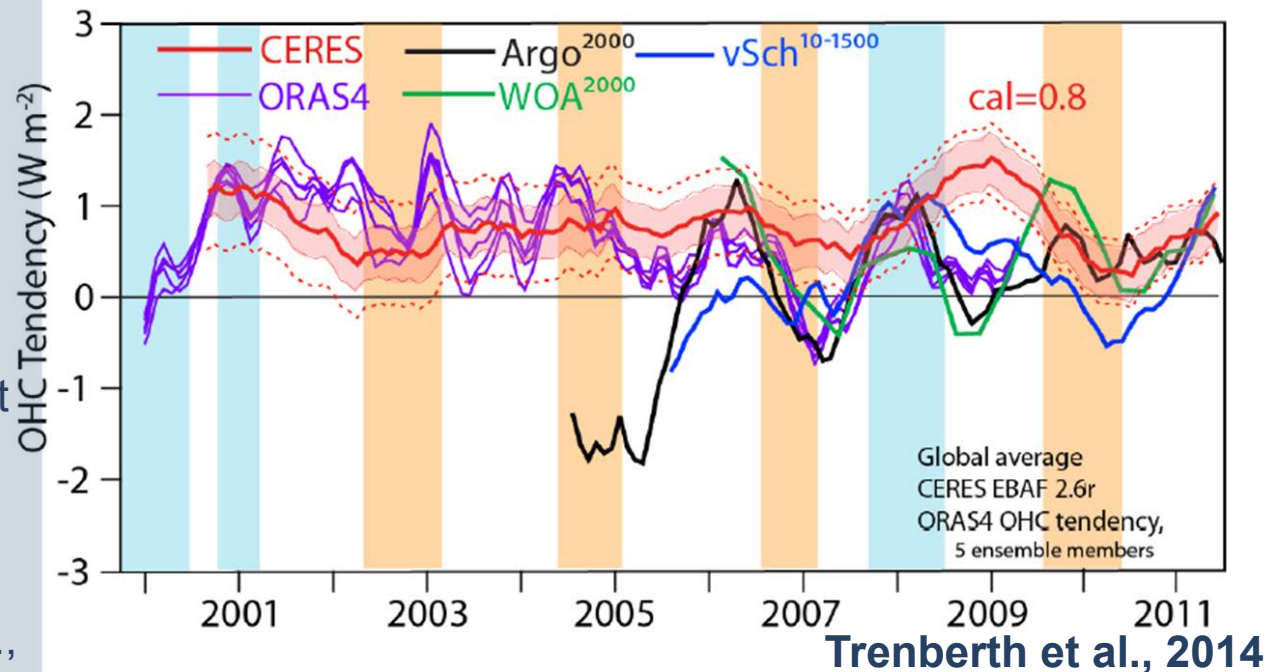
2001-2010: $0.50 \pm 0.43 \text{ Wm}^2$

(Loeb et al., 2012 with Lyman et al., 2010 OHC (up-dated)).

2005-2010: $0.58 \pm 0.15 \text{ Wm}^2$

(Hansen et al., 2011 with Argo OHC, von Schuckmann and Le Traon, 2011)

2001-2011: $0.5\text{-}1 \text{ Wm}^2$ (Trenberth et al., 2014, range from different OHC estimates)



“Missing energy” remains at interannual time-scales:

All OHC estimates show CERES 2007 cooling, all miss CERES warming in 2008/2009

➔ unable to achieve closure at interannual scales

➔ remaining errors either in CERES or **OHC**

How?

CONCEPT-HEAT



<http://www.clivar.org/research-foci/heat-budget>

Clivar research focus

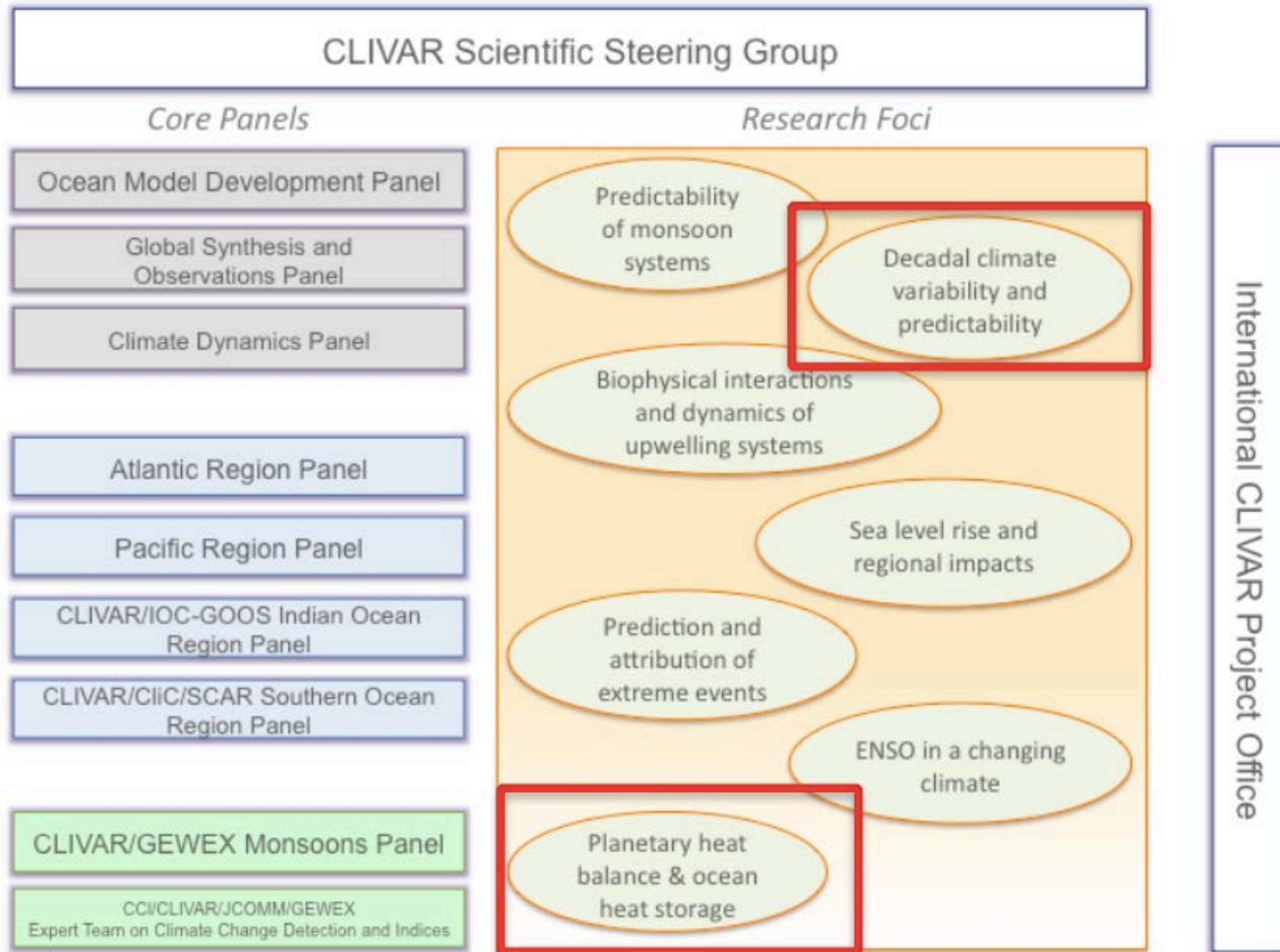
**Consistency between planetary energy balance
and ocean heat storage (CONCEPT-HEAT)**

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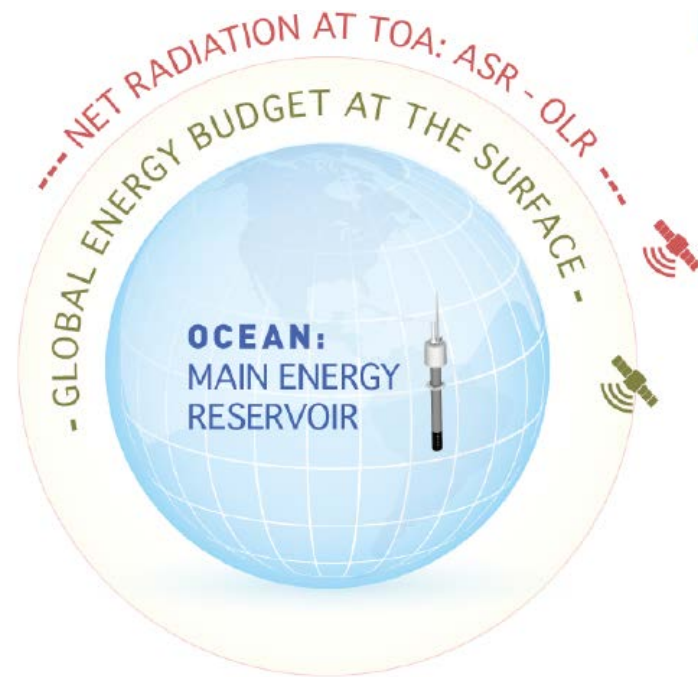
The Research Foci are proposed as crosscutting activities



CLIVAR research focus CONCEPT-HEAT:

Consistency between planetary energy balance and ocean heat storage

An overall goal is to **bring together different climate research communities** all concerned with the energy flows in the Earth's System to advance on the **understanding of the uncertainties through budget constraints:**



- Atmospheric radiation
- Ocean Heat Content
- Earth's surface fluxes
- Climate variability and change
- Data assimilation & operational services (R&D)
- Climate projection
- Global sea level

**Remote
sensing**

In situ

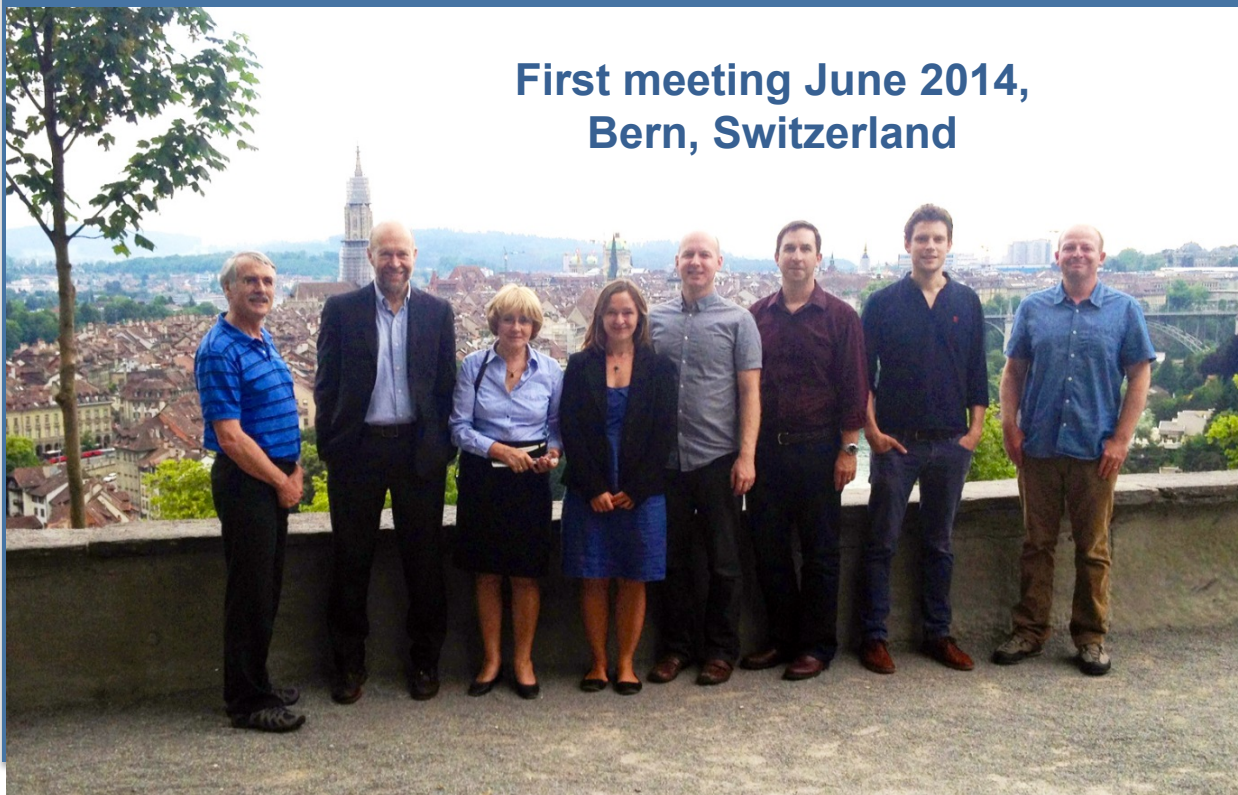
**Reanalysis
systems**

**Numerical
model**



The absolute measure of the Earth Energy Imbalance and its changes over time are vital pieces of information related to climate change as this is the single quantity defining the status of global climate change and expectations for continued global warming.

ISSI working group: “Consistency of Integrated Observing Systems monitoring the energy flows in the Earth System”



**First meeting June 2014,
Bern, Switzerland**

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**Perspective paper NCC
accepted**
(von Schuckmann et al., 2015)



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First CONCEPT-HEAT workshop, Met Office, Exeter (29.09.-01.10.2015)



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An imperative to monitor Earth's energy imbalance

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CLIVAR research focus CONCEPT-HEAT:

Consistency between planetary energy balance and ocean heat storage

More precisely, this **CLIVAR research focus CONCEPT-HEAT** has the **main objective to build up a pluri-disciplinary synergy community for climate research** aiming to work on two different issues:

1. Quantify Earth's energy imbalance, the ocean heat budget, and atmosphere-ocean turbulent and radiative heat fluxes, their observational uncertainty, and their variability for a range of time and space scales using different observing strategies (e.g., in-situ ocean, satellite), reanalysis systems, and climate models.
2. Analyze the consistency between the satellite-based planetary heat balance and ocean heat storage estimates, using data sets and information products from global observing systems (remote sensing and in situ) and ocean reanalysis, and compare these results to outputs from climate models to obtain validation requirements (for model and observations).



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Key scientific questions

Question A: What is the magnitude and the uncertainties of our estimates of Earth's energy imbalance (EEI), and how does it vary over time?

Question B: Can consistency between planetary heat balance and ocean heat storage be achieved and what are the major limitations?

Question C: How are TOA net radiation and ocean heating rate distributed in space and time?

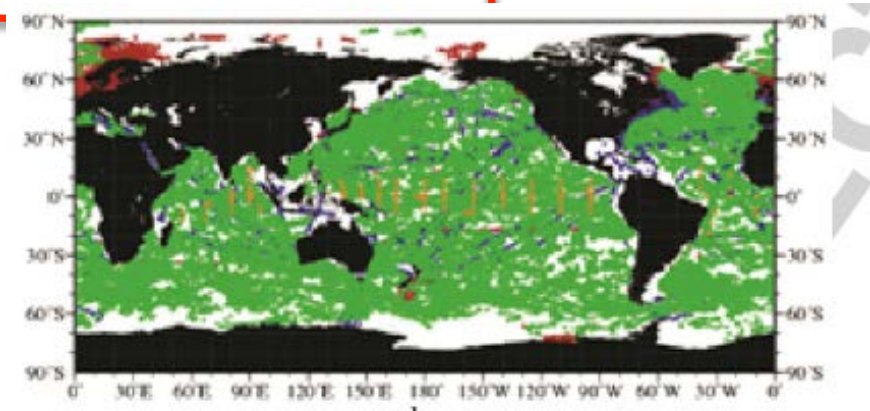
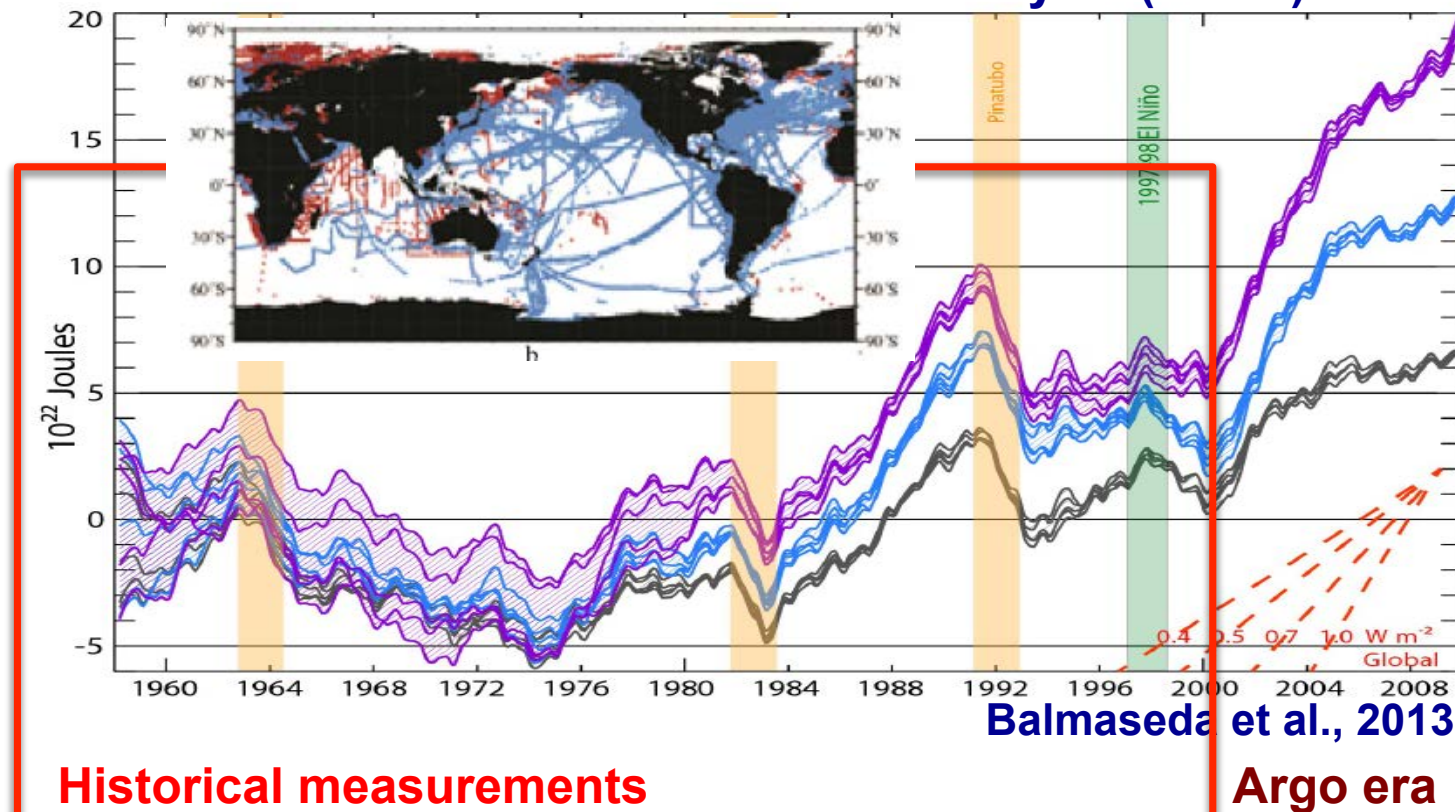
Question D: How can we improve validation requirements for and from coupled climate models to improve estimates of EEI?

Question E: How can we better constrain the surface energy fluxes and their spatio-temporal variations at regional scale?

(a) Ocean Reanalysis

Different approaches determining Earth's energy imbalance: OHC

Global OHC from an ocean reanalysis (ORS4)



Abraham et al., 2013

ORA-IP Objectives

- To Quantify Signal/Noise from Ensemble
- To gain insight into the ocean variability and trends
- To identify current deficiencies
- To measure progress
- To exploit existing multi-ORA ensemble
 - For climate indicators
 - For model validation
 - For real-time monitoring
 - For initialization of coupled models

CLIVAR GSOP/GODAE Ocean View

Ocean Reanalysis Inter-comparison (ORA-IP)

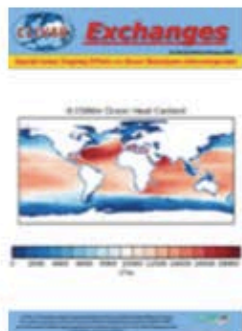
- 6 Observation only products
- 13 Low resolution models
- 8 High resolution models (1/3 or 1/4 degree)
- 4 Coupled DA products
- 6 Long reanalyses, starting 1950's

Summary Paper

Balmaseda, M.A. et al., The Ocean Reanalysis Intercomparison project (ORA-IP) J.Op.Oceanogr. Volume 8, supplement 1, 9 June 2015

Special Issue Climate Dynamics:

7 papers accepted so far, 2 under revision
+ other papers with sensitivities



<http://www.clivar.org/sites/default/files/documents/Exchanges64.pdf>

Variable	
Ocean Heat Content	MetOffice
Steric Height	CMCC
Sea Level	Mercator Ocean
Surface Heat Fluxes	University Reading
Mixed Layer Depth	MRI/JMA
Salinity	CAWCR
Depth of 20 degree Isotherm	Mercator Ocean
Sea Ice	Env Canada
AMOC	NCAR
MyOcean 1/4 degree	CMCC

Product	Forcing	Configuration	Data Assim. Method
ARMOR3D ¹⁰ CLS	N/A	1/3° Obs-Only (TSSSHIUV)	OI (SLANDTITSIST)
CFER ¹⁴ NOAA NCEP	Coupled DA	1/2° MOPH coupled	3DVAR (TSSTSGC)
C-GLORSISV3 ¹ CMCC	ERA-Interim Bulk	1/2° NEMO3.2	3DVAR (SLATSSSTSGC)
ECCO-NRT ¹ JPL/NASA	NCEP-R1 + CORE Bulk	1° MITgcm	KF-FS (SLAT)
ECCO-v4 ¹ MIT/ABN/PL	ERA-CORE Bulk	1° MITgcm	4DVAR (SLATSSHTSSST)
EN3 v1a ¹ Hadley Center	N/A	1° Obs-Only (TIS)	OI (TIS)
GECCO3 ¹ U of Hamburg	NCEP-R1 Bulk	1°x1/2° MITgcm	4DVAR (SLATSSNDTSSST)
ECDA ¹⁴ GFDL/NOAA	Coupled DA	1/3° MOPH coupled	ErfF (TSST)
GloSea3 ¹⁰ UK MetOffice	ERA-CORE Bulk	1/4° NEMO3.2	3DVAR (SLATSSSTSGC)
MERRA Ocean GSFC/NASA/GHAO	Merra + Bulk	1/2° MOPH	EnOI (SLATSSSTSGC)
GODAS ¹ NOAA NCEP	NCEP-R2 Flux	1°x1/2° MOPH	3DVAR (SSST)
GLORYS2V1 (G2V1) Mercator Ocean	ERA-Interim+CORE Bulk	1/4° NEMO3.1	KF+3DVAR (SLATSSSTSGC)
GLORYS2V3 (G2V3) Mercator Ocean	ERA-Interim+CORE Bulk	1/4° NEMO3.1	KF+3DVAR (SLATSSSTSGC)
K7-ODA(ESTOC) ¹ JAMSTEC/RCCGC	NCEP-R1 cont. Flux	1° MOPH	4DVAR (SLATSSST)
K7-CDA1 JAMSTEC/RCCGC	Coupled DA	1° MOPH coupled	4DVAR (SLATSSST)
LEGOS ⁹ LEGOS	N/A	1/4° Obs-Only (SL)	OHEOF (SLATSH)
NODC ¹ NOGCOMAA	N/A	1° Obs-only (TIS)	OI (TIS)
PEODAS ¹ CAWCR(Bolt)	ERA40 to 2002, NCEP-R2 thereafter Flux	1°x1/2° MOPH	ErfF (TSST)
ORAS4 ¹ SCHWAF	ERA40 to 1966, ERA-Interim thereafter Flux	1° NEMO3	3DVAR (SLATSSST)
MOVE-C ¹ MRI/JMA	Coupled DA	1° MRI-COM2 coupled	3DVAR (SLATSSST)
MOVE-G2 ¹ MRI/JMA	JRA-35 cont. Bulk	0.5°x1° MRI-COM3	3DVAR (SLATSSST)
MOVE-CORE ¹ MRI/JMA	CORE2 Bulk	0.5°x1° MRI-COM3	3DVAR (TIS)
SODA ¹⁰ U of Maryland and TAMU	ERA40 to 2002, ERA-Interim thereafter Bulk	1/4° POP2.1	OI (TSST)
UR023.4 ¹⁰ U of Reading	ERA-Interim + CORE Bulk	1/4° NEMO3.2	OI (SLATSSSTSGC)
AVISO ¹⁰ CLS	N/A	1/4° Obs-Only (SSHSLA)	OI (SLA)
SLCC1 ¹⁰ ESA	N/A	1/4° Obs-Only (SSH)	OI (SSH)

Table 1 List of ocean reanalysis products entering the inter-comparison.

Product	Forcing	Configuration	Data Assim. Method	Analysis Period
GFDL/NOAA (ECDA)	Coupled DA	1°x1/3° MOM4 coupled	EnKF (T/S/SST)	1979-present
GMAO/NASA (MERRA Ocean)	Merra + Bulk	0.5° MOM4	EnOI (SLA/T/S/SST/SIC)	1979-present
NCEP/NOAA (GODAS)	NCEP-R2 Flux.	1°x1/3° MOM3	3DVAR (SST/T)	1979-present
NCEP/NOAA (CFSR)	Coupled DA	0.5°x1/4°	3DVAR (SST/T)	1979-present
CAWCR/BOM (PEODAS)	ERA40 to 2002; NCEP-R2 thereafter. Flux	1°x2° MOM2	EnKF (T/S/SST)	1979-present
ECMWF (ORAS4)	ERA40 to 1988; ERAi thereafter. Flux.	1°x 1/3° NEMO3	3DVAR (SLA/T/S/SST)	1979-present
MRI/JMA (MOVE-G2)	JRA-55 corr+ CORE Bulk	1°x0.5° MRI.COM3	3DVAR (SLA/T/S/SST)	1979-present
UK MET (GloSea5)	ERAi+CORE Bulk	1/4° NEMO3.2	3DVAR (SLA/T/S/SST/SIC)	1993-present
MERCATOR (GLORYS2V3)	ERAi corr+ CORE Bulk	1/4° NEMO3.1	EnKF+3DVAR (SLA/T/S/SST/SIC)	1993-present

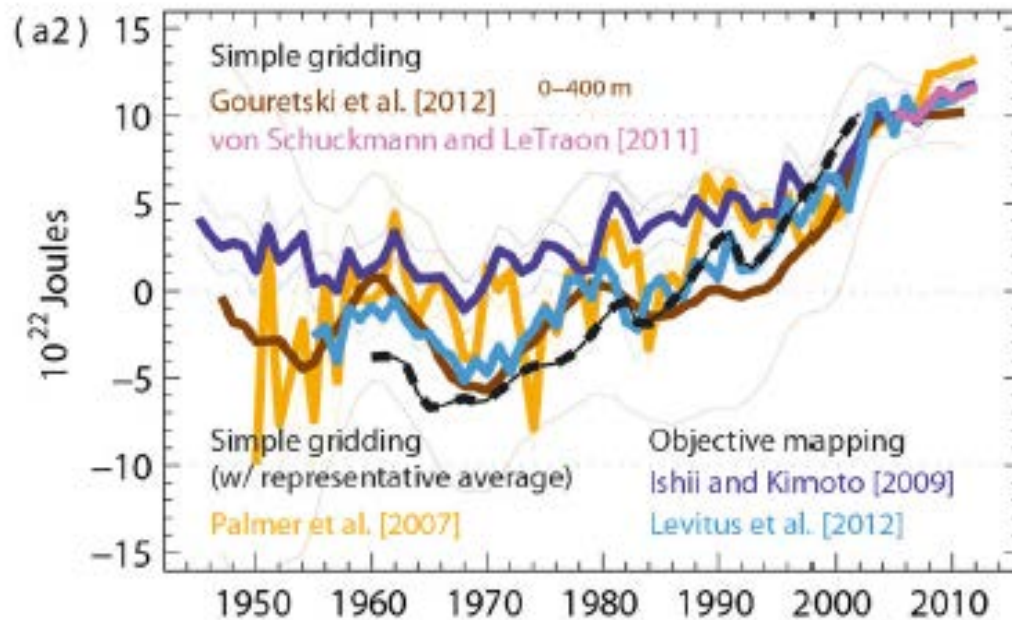
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Table 1: List of Ocean Variables Inter-compared

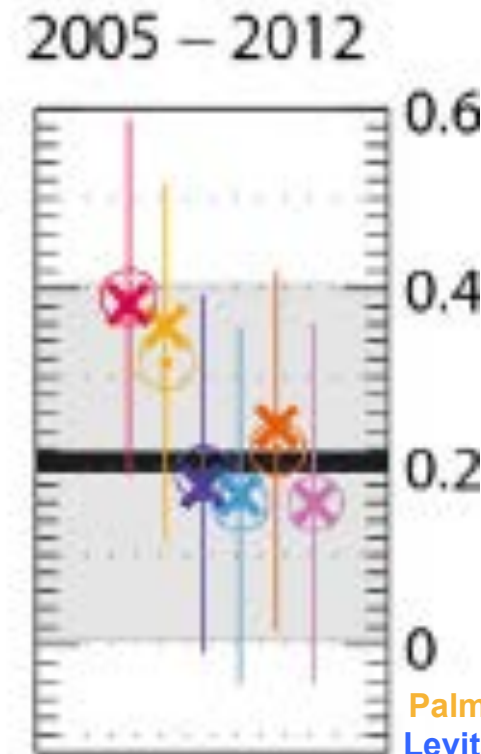
Variable	Responsible	Institution
Steric Height	Andrea Storto	CMCC
Sea Level	Fabrice Hernandez	Mercator Océan
Ocean Heat Content	Matthew Palmer	UK MetOffice
Depth of 20 degree Isotherm	Fabrice Hernandez	Mercator Océan
Mixed Layer Depth	Takahiro Toyoda	MRI-JMA
Salinity	Li Shi	BMRC
Surface fluxes and transports	Maria Valdivieso	UoR
AMOC at 26N	Vladimir Stepanov	UoR
Sea Ice	Gregory Smith	En-Canada

Different approaches determining Earth's energy imbalance: OHC

Global Ocean Heat Content: Historical data & Argo era



Abraham et al., 2013



Palmer et al., 2007

Levitus et al., 2012

von Schuckmann & Le
Traon, 2011

Johnson et al., 2013

Ishii and Kimoto, 2009

Domingues et al., 2008

- Differences in upper-ocean heat storage between analyses/periods.
- Differences in “interannual to decadal variability” between analyses.
- All estimates show a multi-decadal increase in OHC in both, upper and deep ocean regions.



An overview of EOS

<http://www.eos-cost.eu>

Chair : Aida Alvera-Azcarate

Vice-chair: Keith Haines



COST Action “Evaluation of Ocean Syntheses”

November 2014 to November 2018

Main objective:

Establish and consolidate a network of European scientists working on the generation and evaluation of ocean synthesis products, data providers, experts in data assimilation and ocean modelling...

Support individual mobility, strengthen existing networks and foster collaboration between researchers.

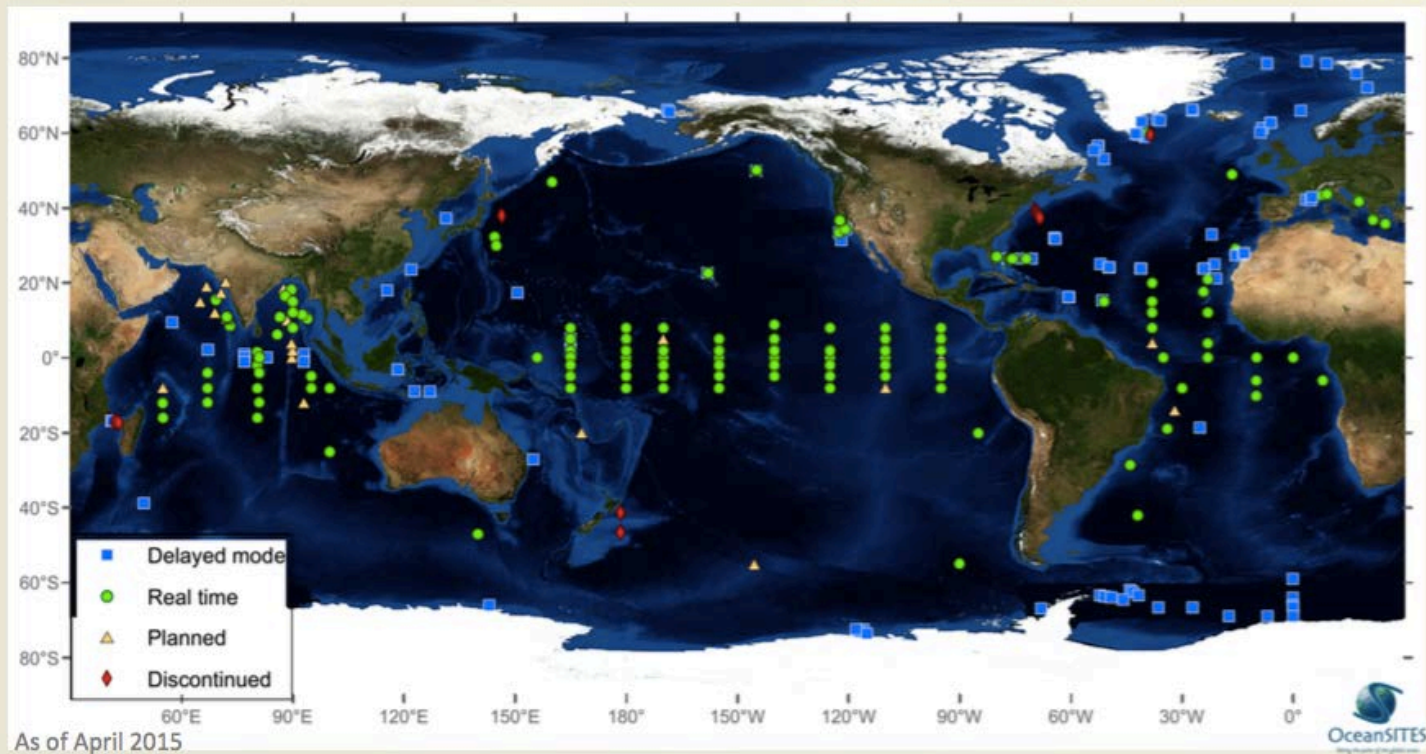


- compile an inventory of end-user requirements (quality and availability of ocean syntheses)
- improve the understanding of the value and use of ocean syntheses
- issue recommendations on which data products are the most suitable for which task.
- increase awareness of ocean synthesis products among end users

(b) In-situ

The **mission of OceanSITES** is to **collect, deliver and promote** the use of high-quality data from long-term, high-frequency observations at **fixed locations** in the open ocean.

<http://www.oceansites.org/index.html>



International Quality-Controlled Ocean Database



To **maximize the quality, consistency and completeness** of the long-term global subsurface ocean database.
(data | (intelligent) metadata | uncertainty)

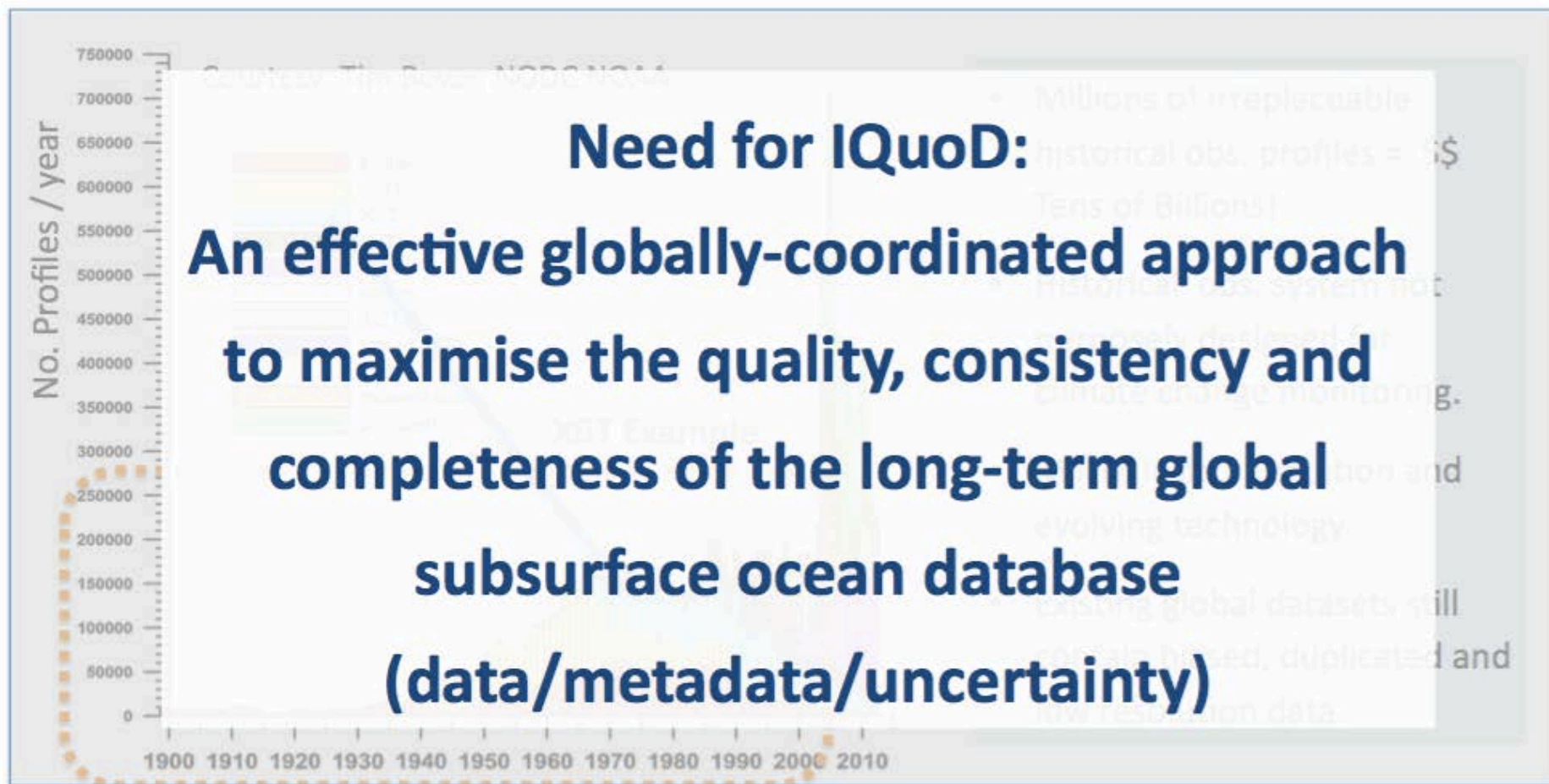
To **freely distribute** for use in ocean, climate and Earth system research and services of societal benefit.



One of CLIVAR GSOP's future plans/priorities (CONCEPT-HEAT)

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Today's big challenge: "Climate quality" ocean database



Long-term subsurface ocean temperature data

Experts and users from various institutions across 17 nations



Latest News

The IOC Committee on International Oceanographic Data and Information Exchange has established **IQuOD** as an **IODE** project and encourages all IOC member States, Programmes, relevant organizations and projects to collaborate with IQuOD.

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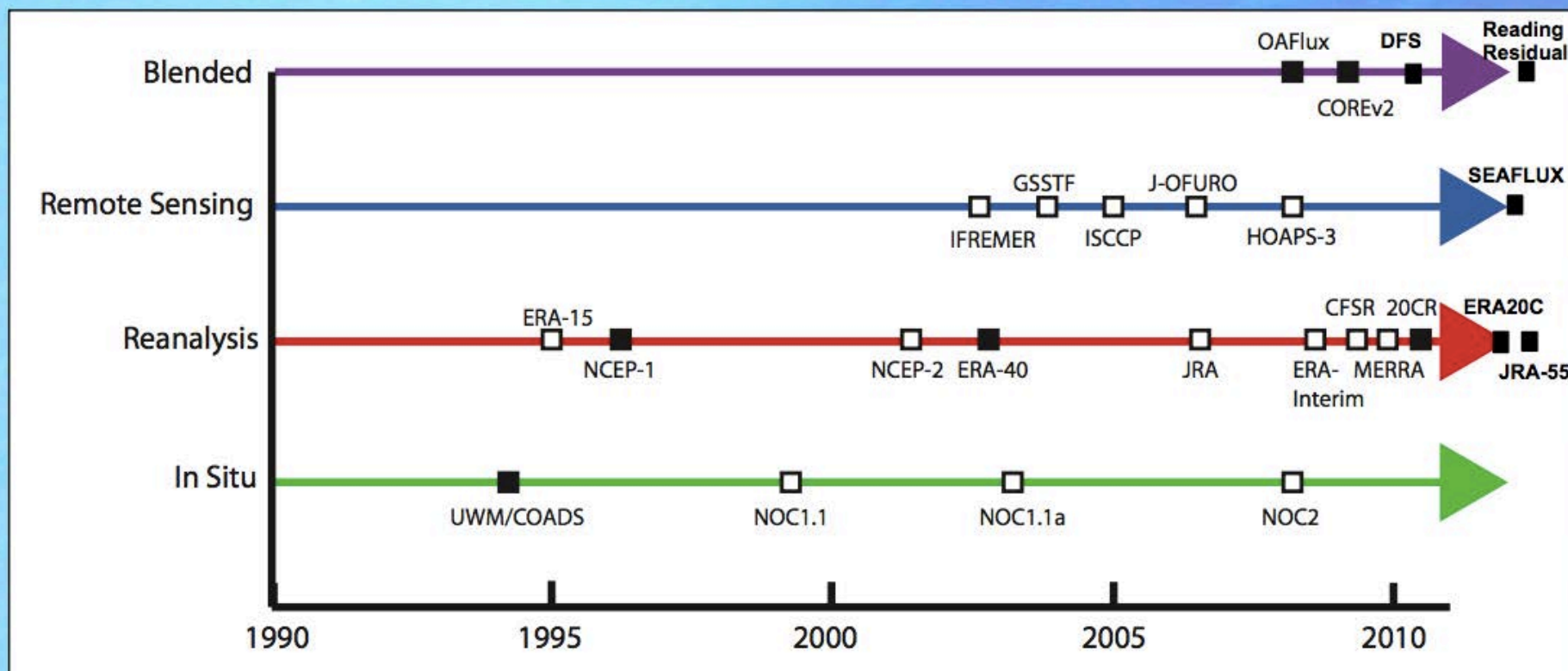
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(c) Fluxes

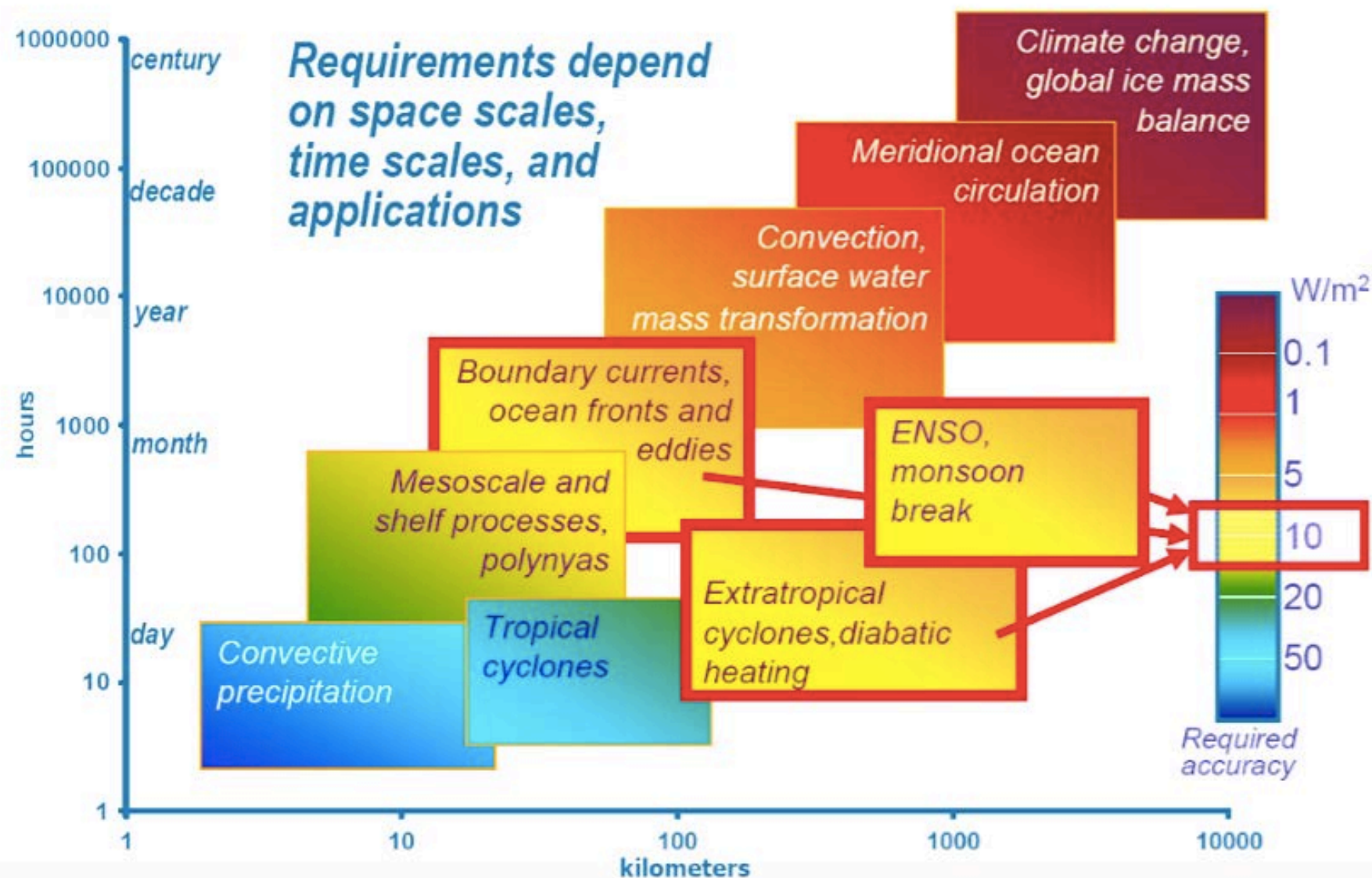


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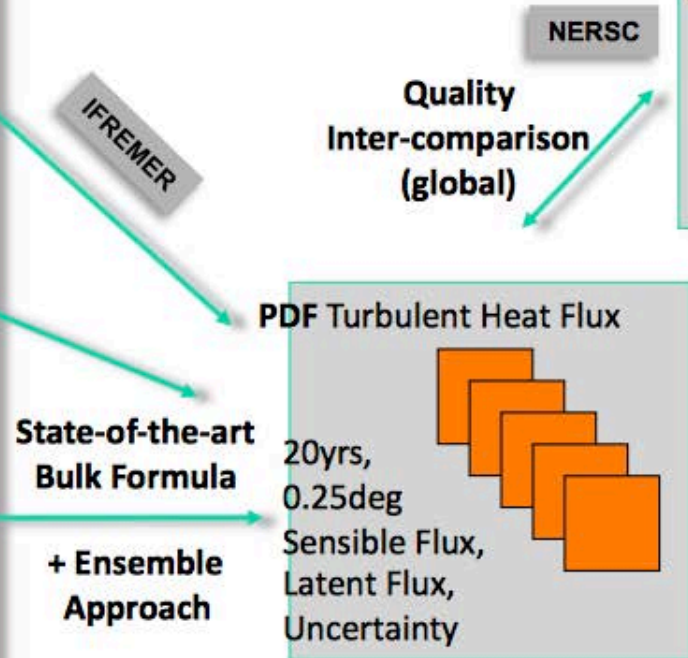
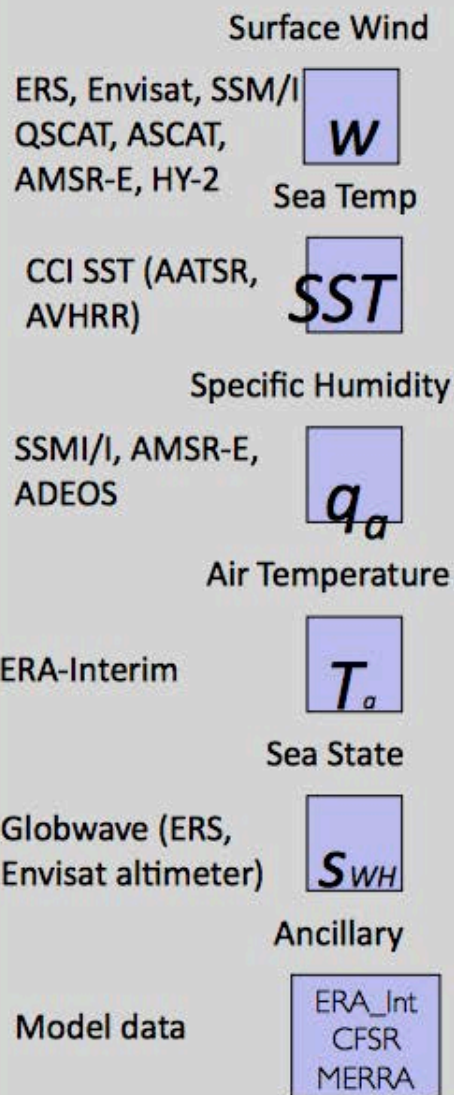
Ocean Heat Flux



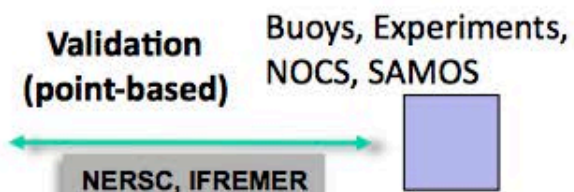
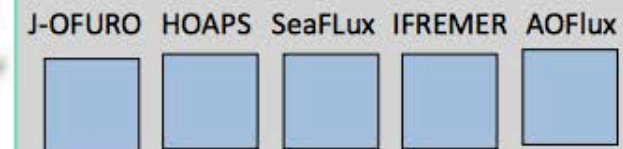
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Spatial sampling	0.25°x 0.25°	0.50°x 0.50°	1°x1°	0.25°x 0.25°	0.50°x 0.50°	0.70°x 0.70°	0.38°x 0.38°	0.50°x 0.66°	1°x1°
Wind	QSCAT	SSM/I	SSM/I+ QSCAT+ NWP	CCMP	ERS2+ QSCAT+ AMSRE				
SST	OISST	NOAA/ RSMAS	OISST+ NWP	OISST	NCEP+ METOP				ICOADS2
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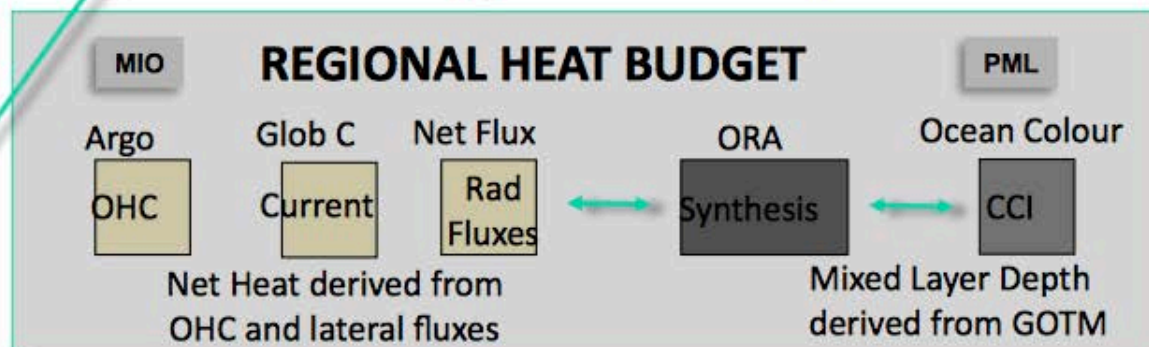
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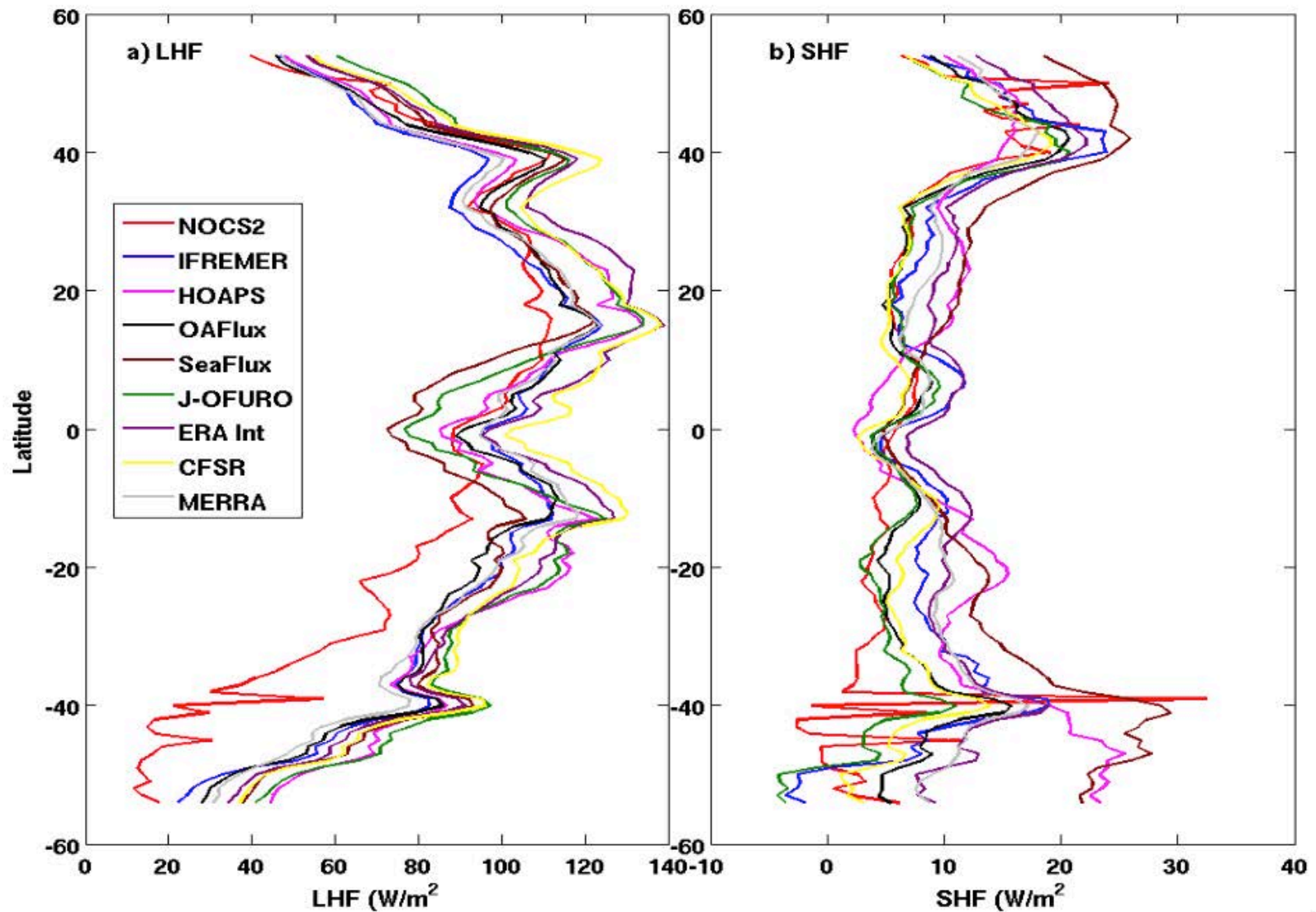
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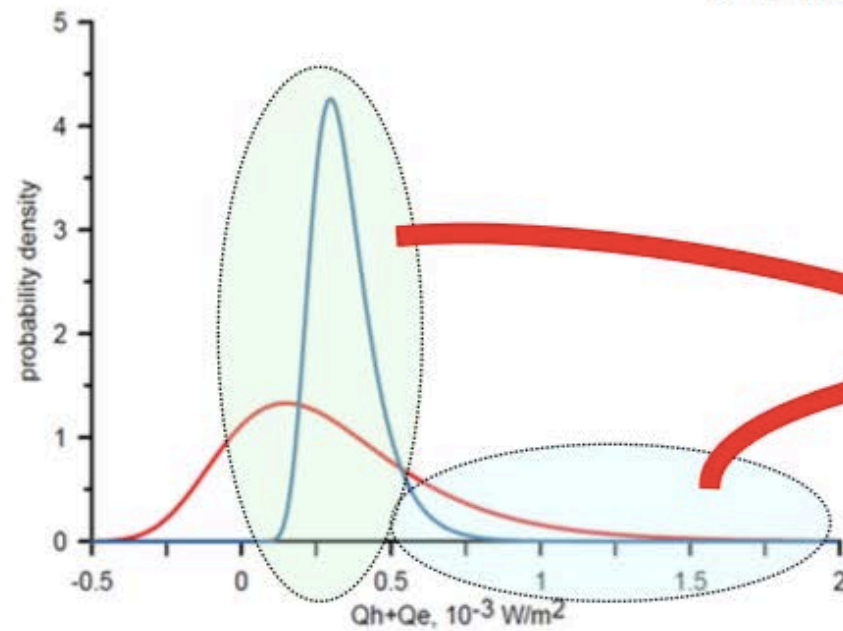
Consistency Checks (regional assessment)
(Open Cage, Warm Pool Bubble, Med Sea)



➤ **Example of inter-comparison results from OHF reference data**



6-nr time moments



2-parameter MFT PDF (*Gulev and Belyaev 2012*)

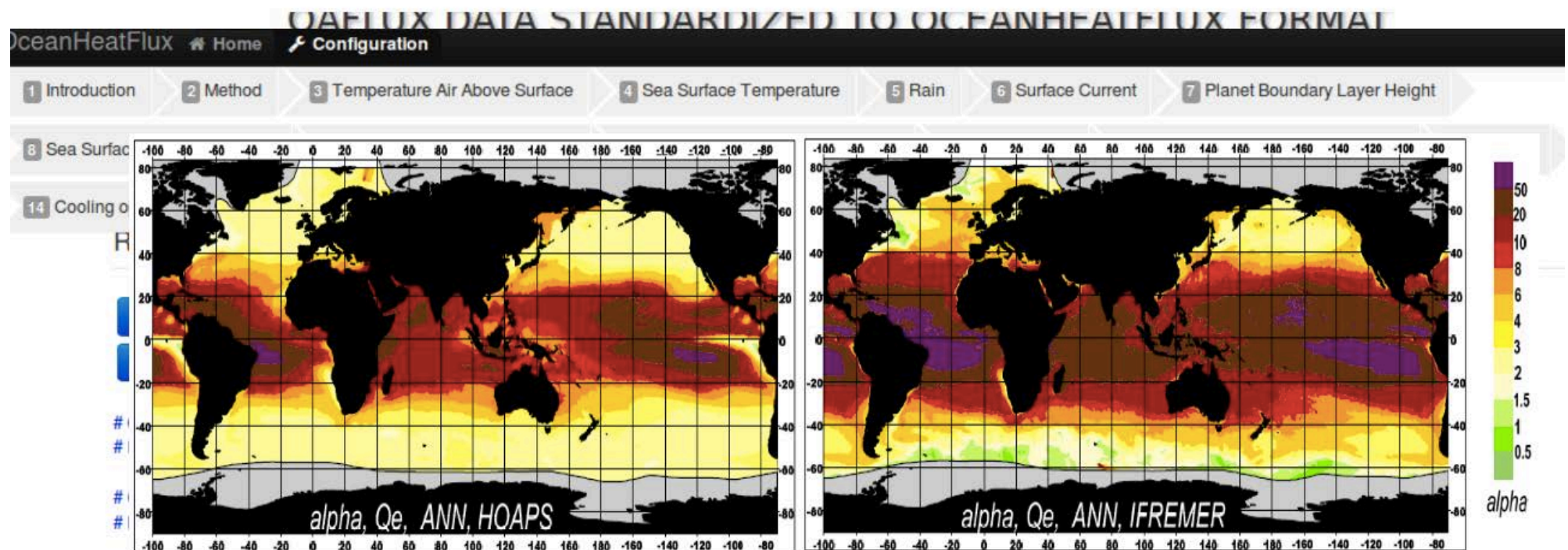
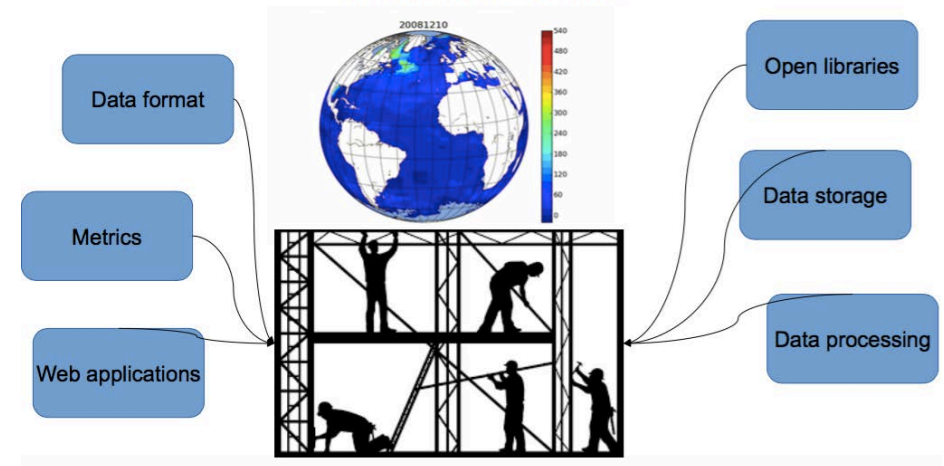
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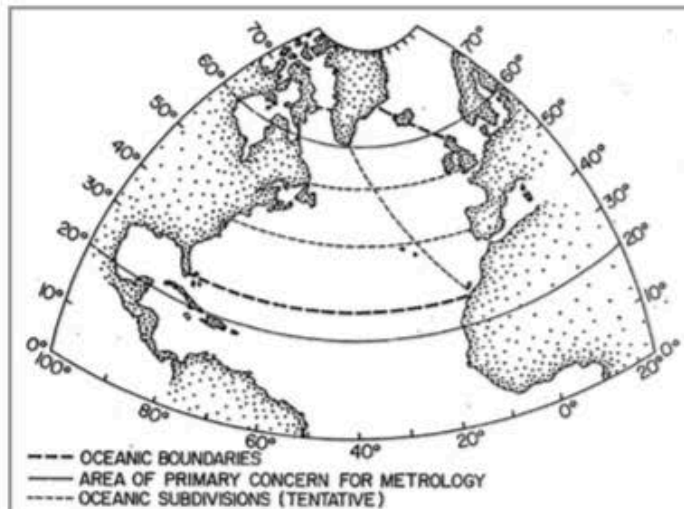
How accurately captured by
parameterizations and different data?

How can be accounted in large-scale
integrations?

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THE 'CAGE' EXPERIMENT: A FEASIBILITY STUDY

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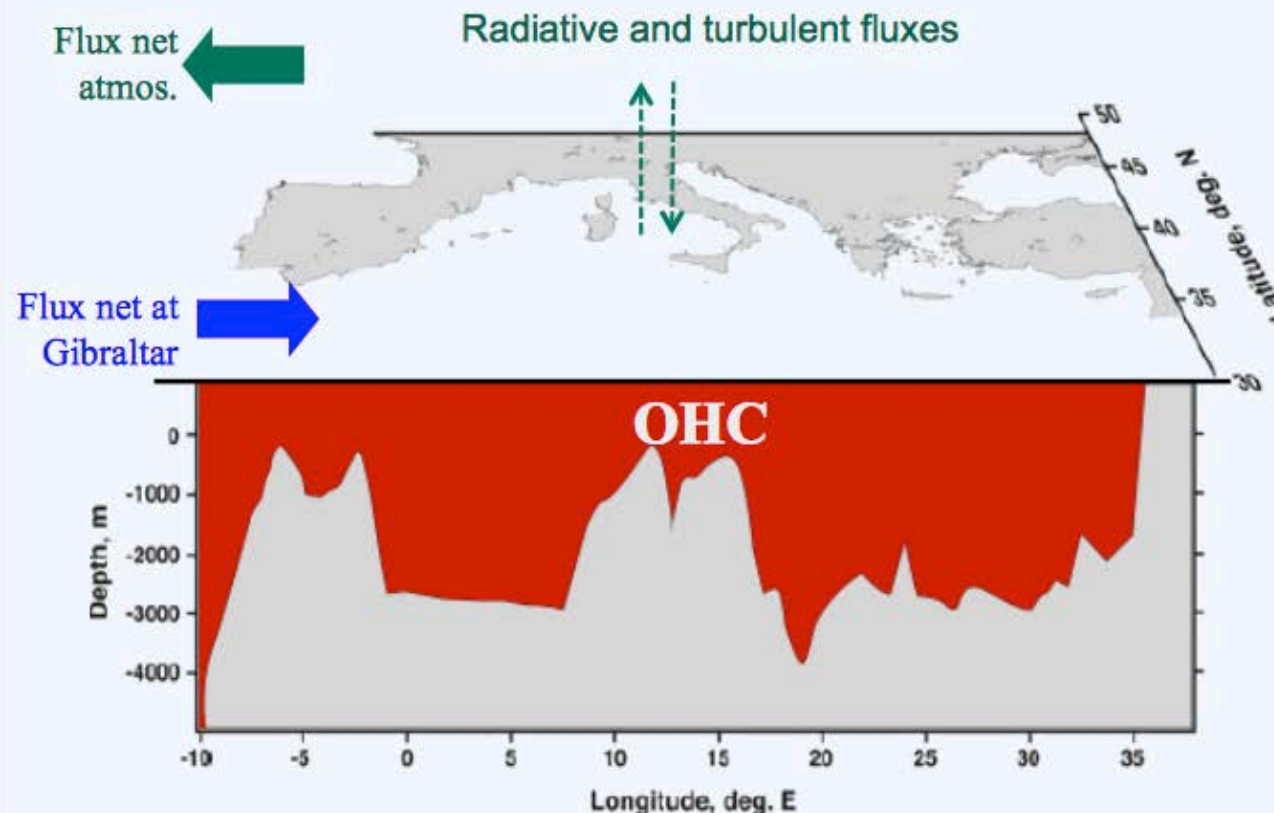
Revisiting “cage” concept

The CAGE accuracy requirements cannot be met, even over the North Atlantic, if the local fluxes are to be computed with data from the existing radiosonde network alone and then analysed and differentiated to give the flux divergences (Oort, 1978). The principal difficulty in using this technique lies in the lack of samples (stations) over the ocean. It is

The sea surface fluxes are very difficult to measure well. The best way at present is to “parameterize” the fluxes in terms of their bulk properties. Errors of up to 50% arise from poor sampling in time and space such as avoidance of heavy weather by most ships, inadequate parameterization and biases in the data themselves.

Over most of the ocean, the heat stored and released over the course of the year (at latitudes other than those where it is stored) is found in the top few hundred meters (Oort and Vonder Haar, 1976). To allow estimation of the heat storage trend over the five-year time scale of the experiment, however, the heat content of the water column to far greater depths must be measured at least twice, preferably at the beginning and the end of the experiment.

➤ Evaluation of Ocean Heat Budget (OHB)



Lateral flux
 $-\frac{d(OHC)}{dt}$
 Budget

$$OHC = \int_z \rho c_p T_0(z) dz$$

$$\frac{d(HB)}{dt} = \frac{d(OHC)}{dt} - HF_{lateral}$$

$$T_0 = T - T_{clim}$$

$$HB = (SW_{\downarrow} - SW_{\uparrow} + LW_{\downarrow} - LW_{\uparrow}) + Lhf + Shf$$

Lhf = latent heat flux; Shf = Sensible heat flux

Concluding Remarks

opinion & comment

COMMENTARY:

1.5°C and climate research after the Paris Agreement

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The Paris Agreement contains an ambition to limit global warming to no more than 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels, changing the context for policy-relevant research and extending a challenge to the IPCC and researchers.





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