

*On the status of  
Japanese 25-year  
Reanalysis Project*

[ JRA-25 ]



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# Japanese Reanalysis Project (JRA Project)

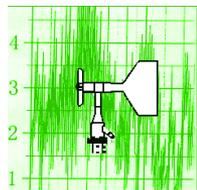
## Data from Past Observation



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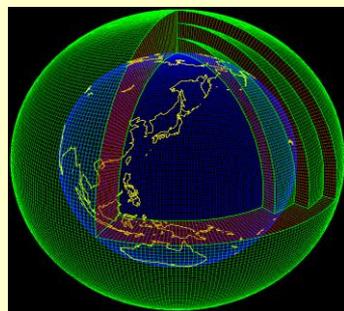
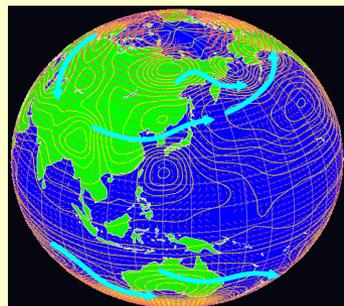
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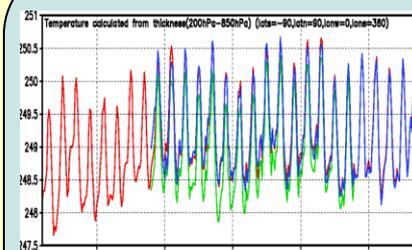
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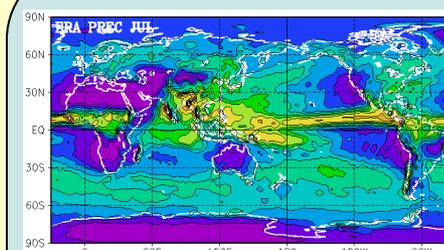
## JRA-25 Project (2001-2005)

6-hourly Climate System Datasets from 1979 to 2004 are computed based on Past Observation and the Numerical Weather Prediction Technology by JMA and CRIEPI

## The Best Estimate of the State and Evolution of the Climate System



Physically Consistent  
Time-Series Data  
(No Artificial Gap)



Physically  
Consistent Gridded  
Data on the Globe  
(No Empty Area)

Wind, Air Temperature, Moisture, Precipitation, Evaporation, Soil Moisture, Snow Depth, Surface Fluxes, Radiation, Ground Temperature, etc.

## JMA Tokyo Climate Center

Dissemination of JRA Datasets to the World

Data for Climate System Monitoring  
and Dynamical Seasonal Prediction

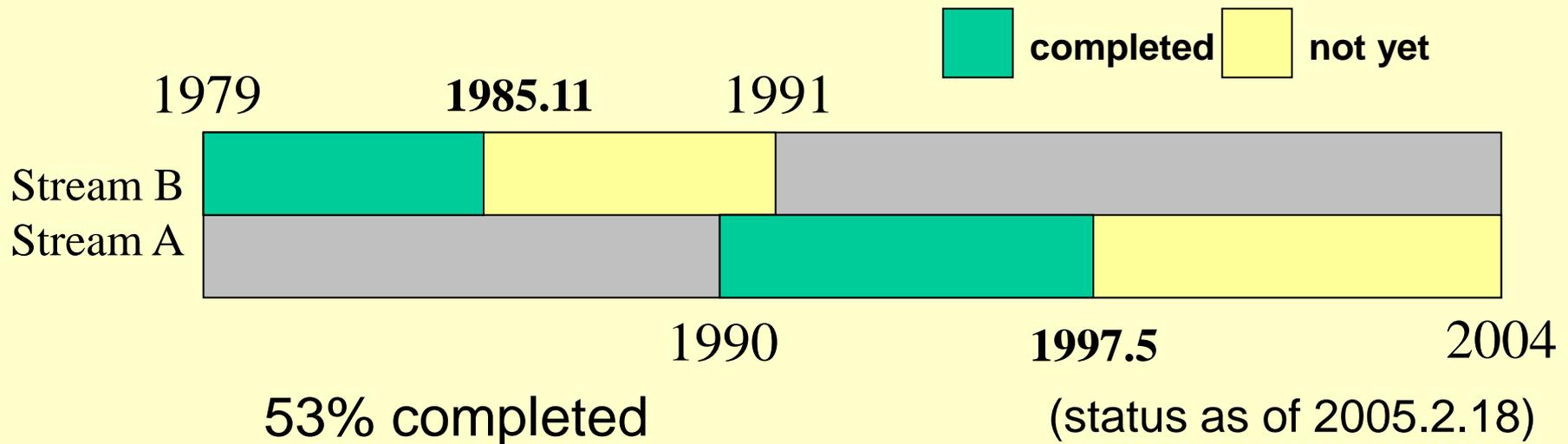
# Current status of JRA-25

JRA-25 is being executed with 2 streams.

Stream B: 1979-1990

Stream A: 1990-2004

1990 will be overlapped at the end of Stream B.



# Observational Data(1)

- **ERA-40 observation**

- supplied by ECMWF ( - 2002.8)
- ECMWF and NCEP merged conventional archives

- **TOVS/ATOVS level 1c**

- from ECMWF (-2003.5) and JMA in house (2003.6-)

- **Reprocessed METEOSAT AMV**

- 1982 - 1988, supplied by EUMETSAT :  
inclusive in ERA-40 observation data
  - Quality Indicator (QI) is attached.
  - Only the data with high QI are assimilated.

# Observational Data(2)

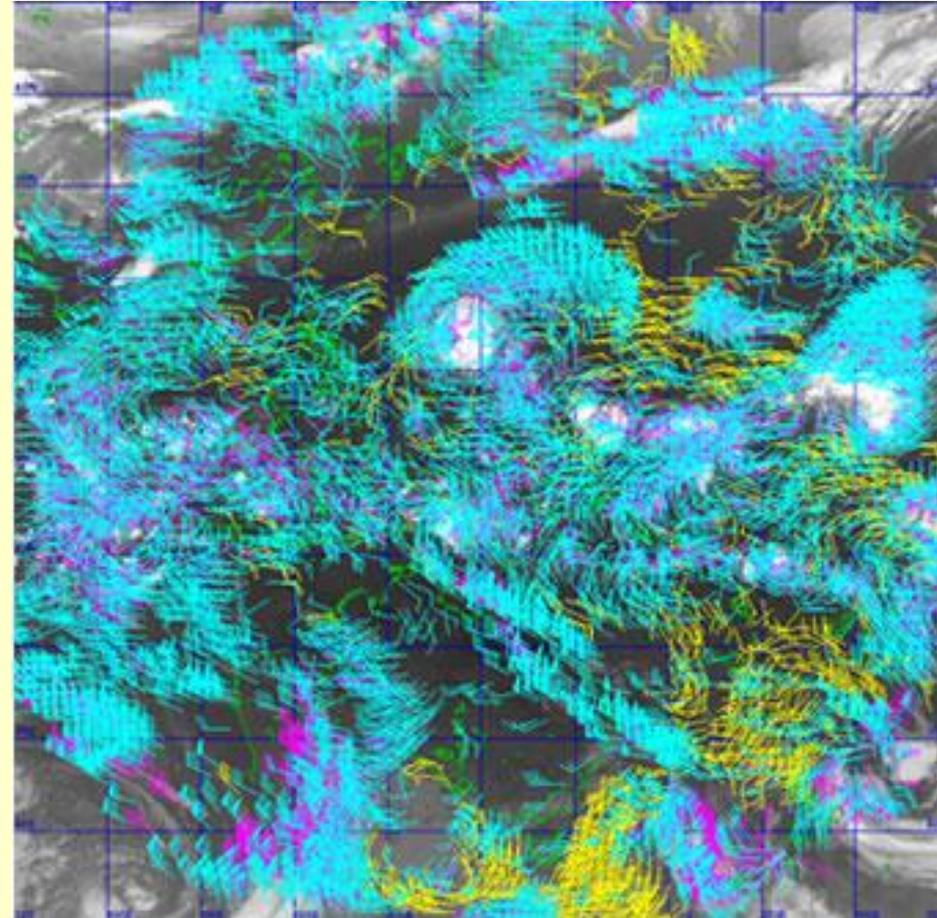
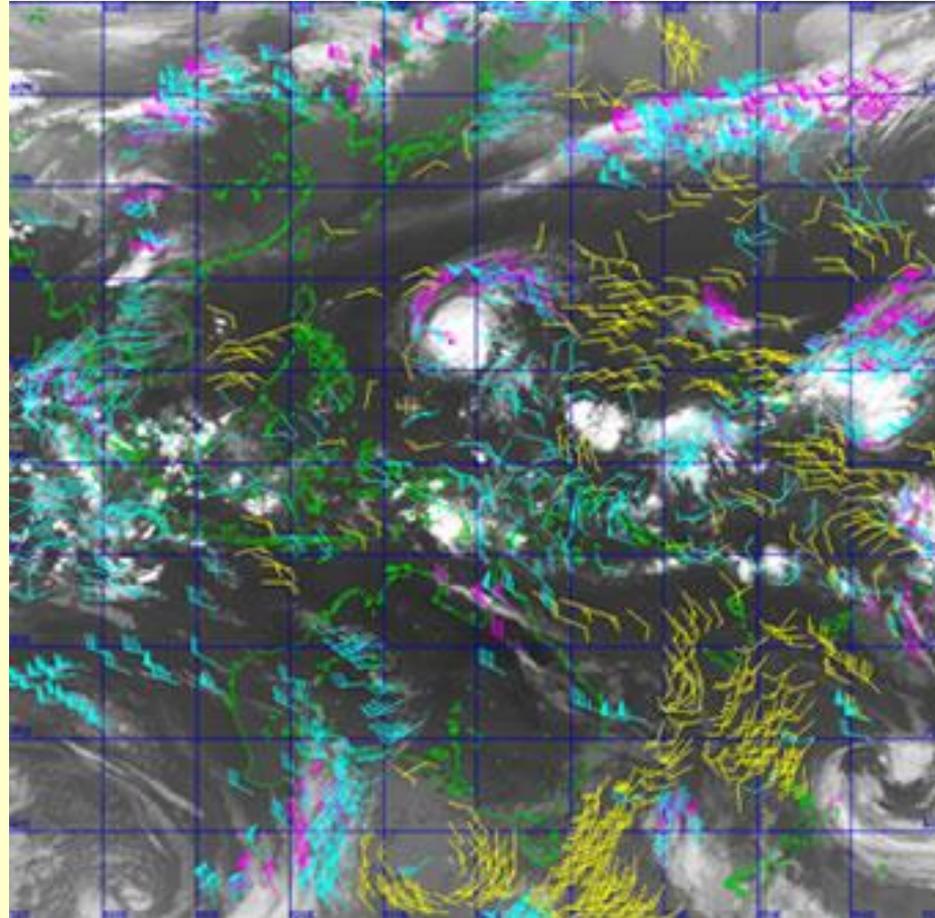
- **Reprocessed GMS AMV**
  - 1987.3 - 2003.5, by MSC/JMA
- **Retrieved wind data around tropical cyclones**
  - supplied by Dr. Mike Fiorino (PCMDI/LLNL)
  - Firstly used in reanalysis
- **JMA archives (conventional data only)**
  - 1979 - present; used from 1984.5
  - Most of data are duplicated to ERA-40 data.
  - Less data amount in 1980s and 1970s

*Sources Data*      *GMS*  
*re-processed cloud motion wind*

- High level
- Middle Level
- Low Level

**Before reprocessing**

**After reprocessing**



**QI : Quality Index attached to each <sup>7</sup>vector**

# Observational Data(3)

- **SSM/I**

- supplied by NCDC (1987.6 – 1997)

- Handling charge were paid.

- obtained from CLASS (former SAA) (1997 – present)

- **Precipitable water** and **snow coverage** are retrieved.

- **Scattrometer**

- **Sea surface wind**

- ERS-1,2 from 1995.4.24 to 2001.1.17

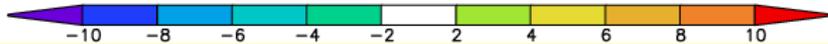
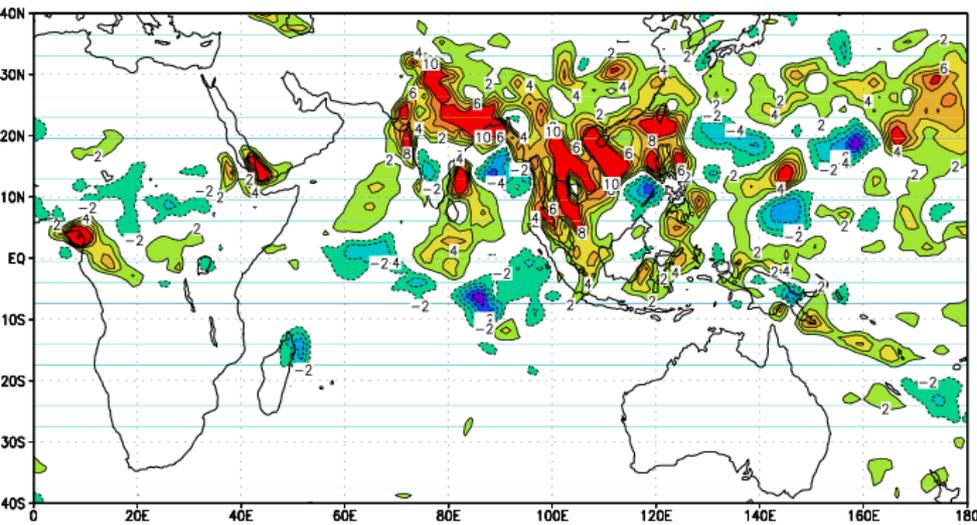
- Only JMA in house, not obtained additionally from ESA

- QuikSCAT/SeaWinds from 2002.2.13 onward

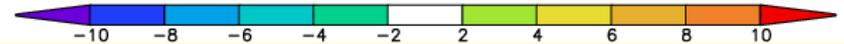
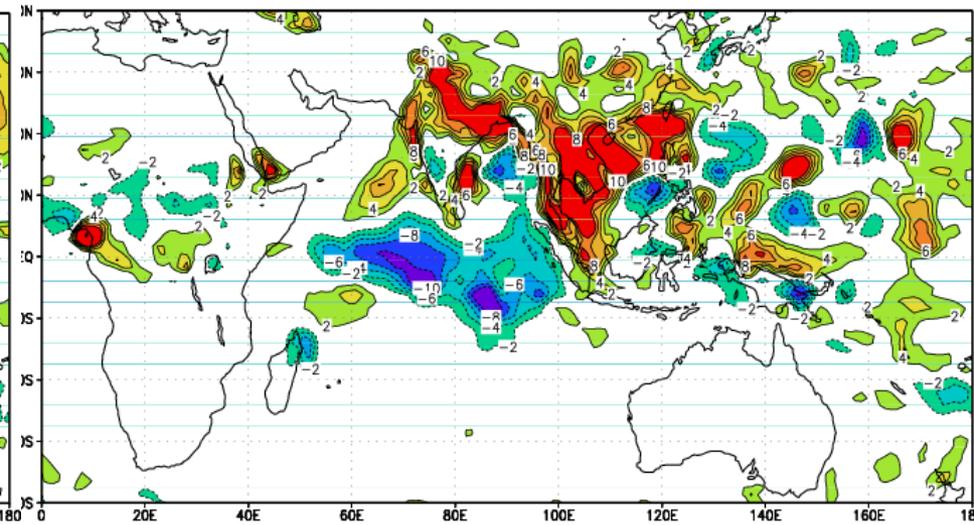
# *SSM/I Precipitable Water Assimilation Experiment*

## *Precipitation difference from CMAP With SSM/I*                      *Without SSM/I*

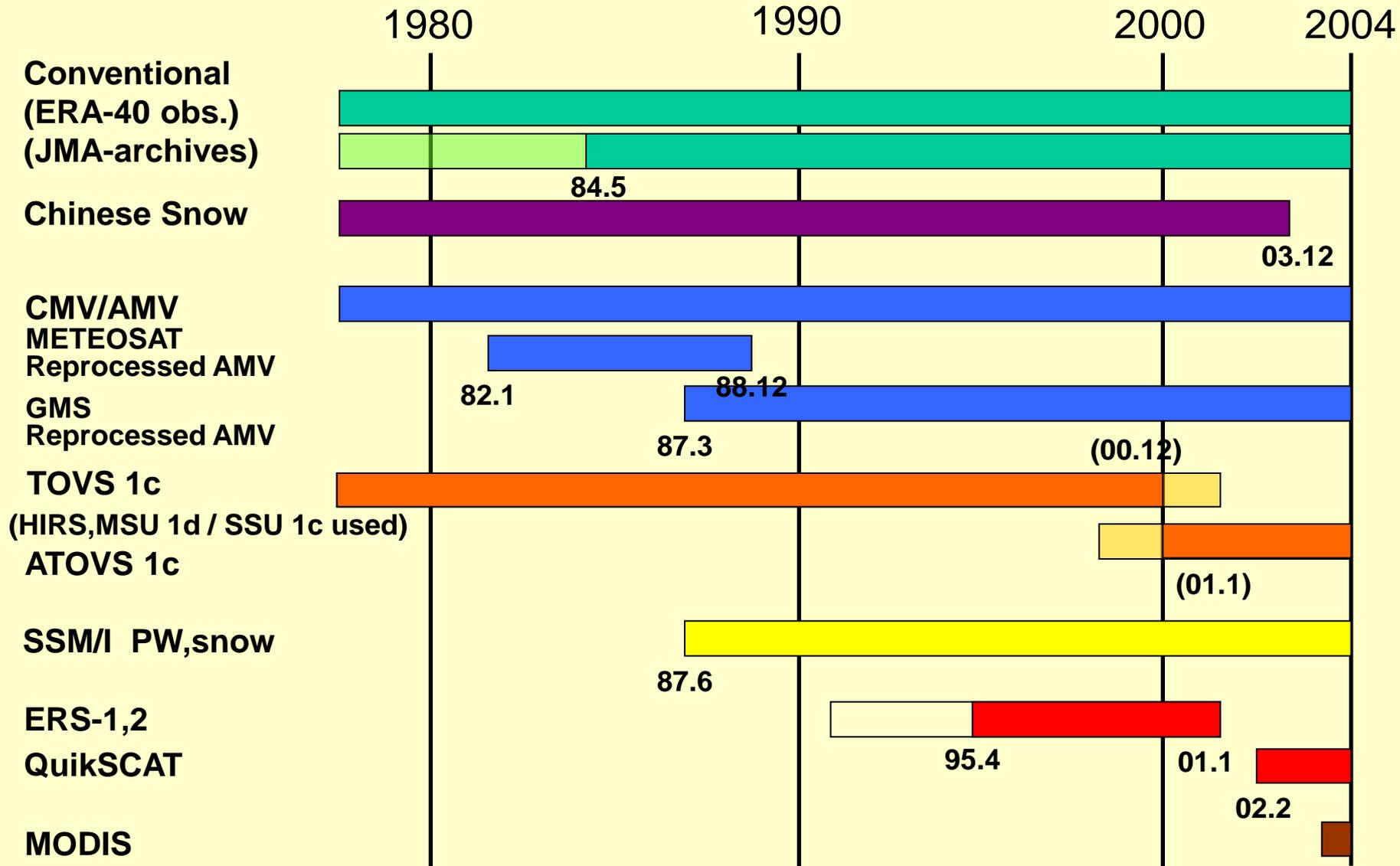
1989 AUG precipitation (mm/day) SSM/I - CMAP



1989 AUG precipitation (mm/day) no SSM/I - CMAP



# Data availability in JRA-25



Translucent : available but not used

White : not in house

# Data Assimilation and Forecast System

- **T106L40** (top: 0.4 hPa)
  - Low resolution version of the operational T213L40
- **3D-Var**
  - TOVS 1d / ATOVS 1c, SSM/I PW, scattrometer, ....
- **COBE SST and sea ice**
  - COBE: Centennial comprehensive marine dataset by JMA
  - Other reanalyses used NCEP or Hadley SST.
- **Daily 3D-ozone profiles are given to GSM.**
  - by Atmospheric Environment Division/JMA
  - produced with the JMA Chemical Transport Model
- 8-day forecast is executed every 5 day.
- Ocean wave not coupled

(1)

# COBE

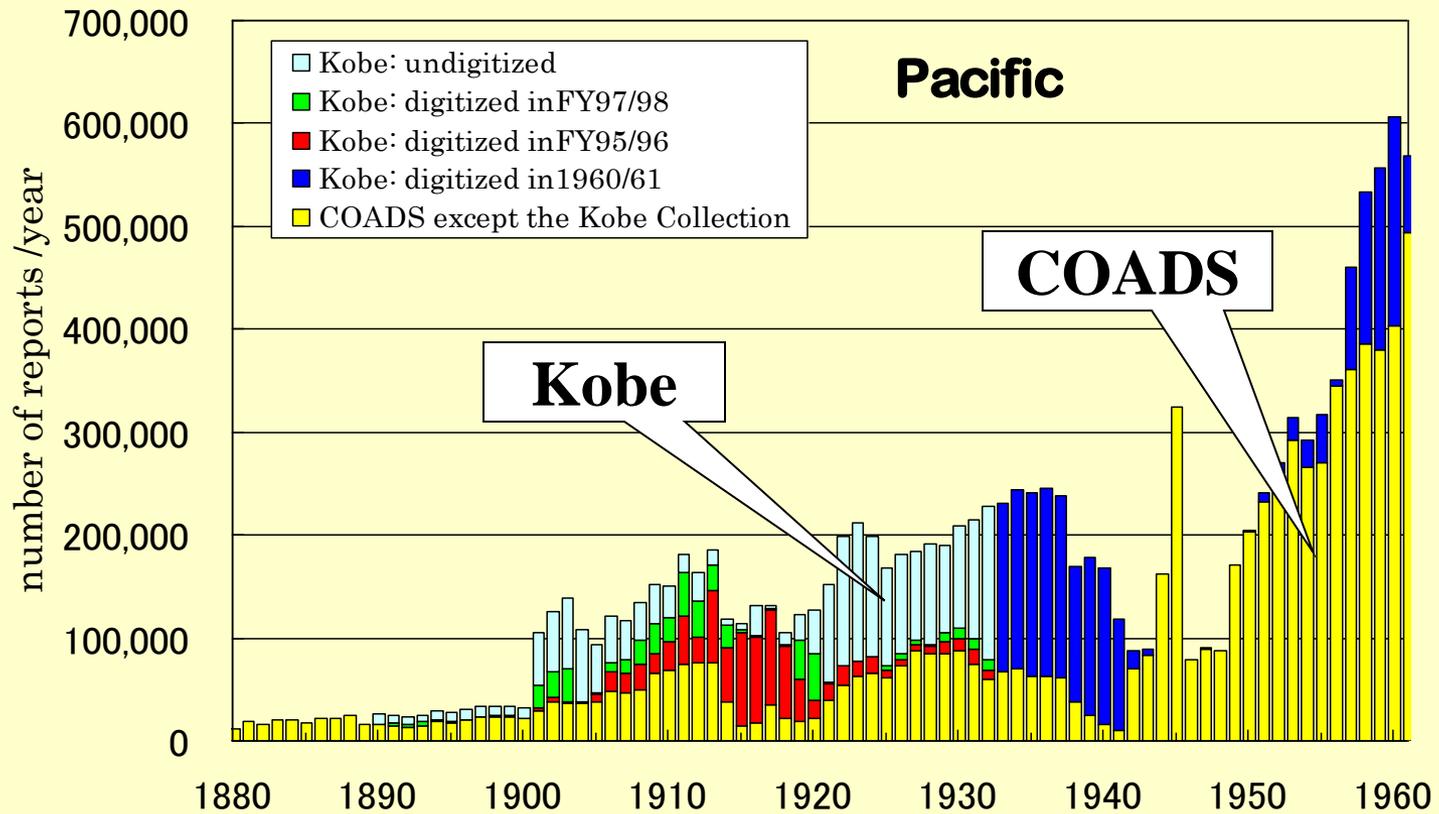
Centennial in-situ Observation-Based Estimates  
Of variability of SST and marine meteorological variables

Centennial SST data set from 1900 is used in JRA-25



- Ishii et al.

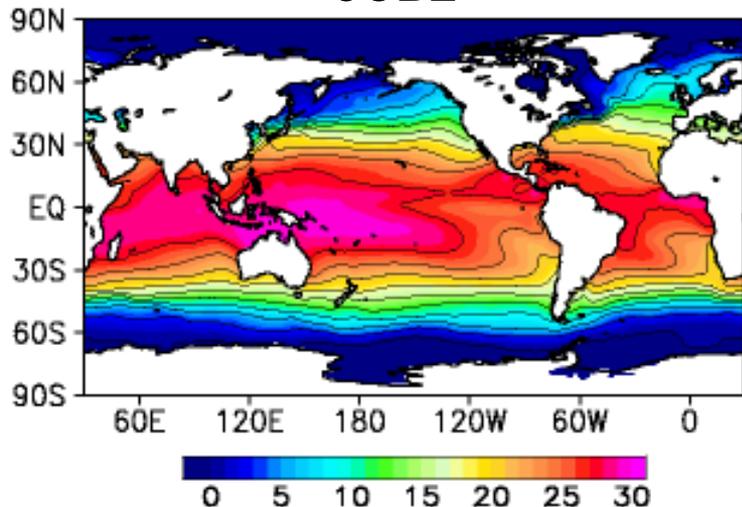
The Kobe collection marine data are assimilated.



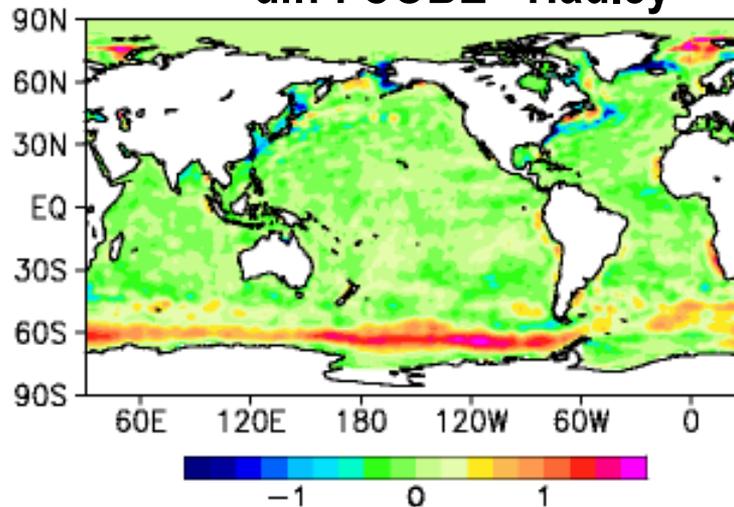
# COBE SST

## Comparison of SST long-term averages (January)

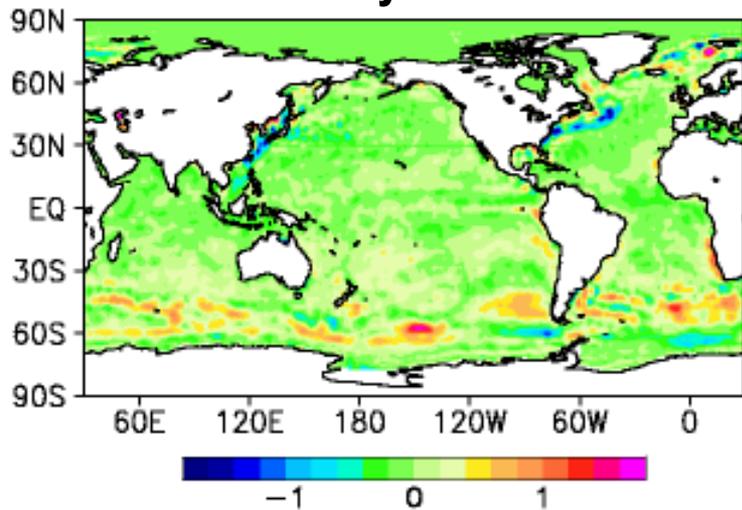
COBE



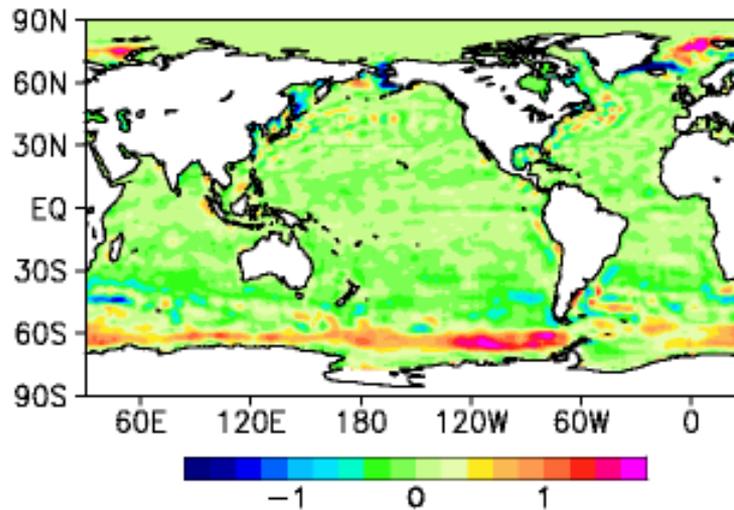
diff : COBE - Hadley



diff : Hadley - NCEP



diff : COBE - NCEP

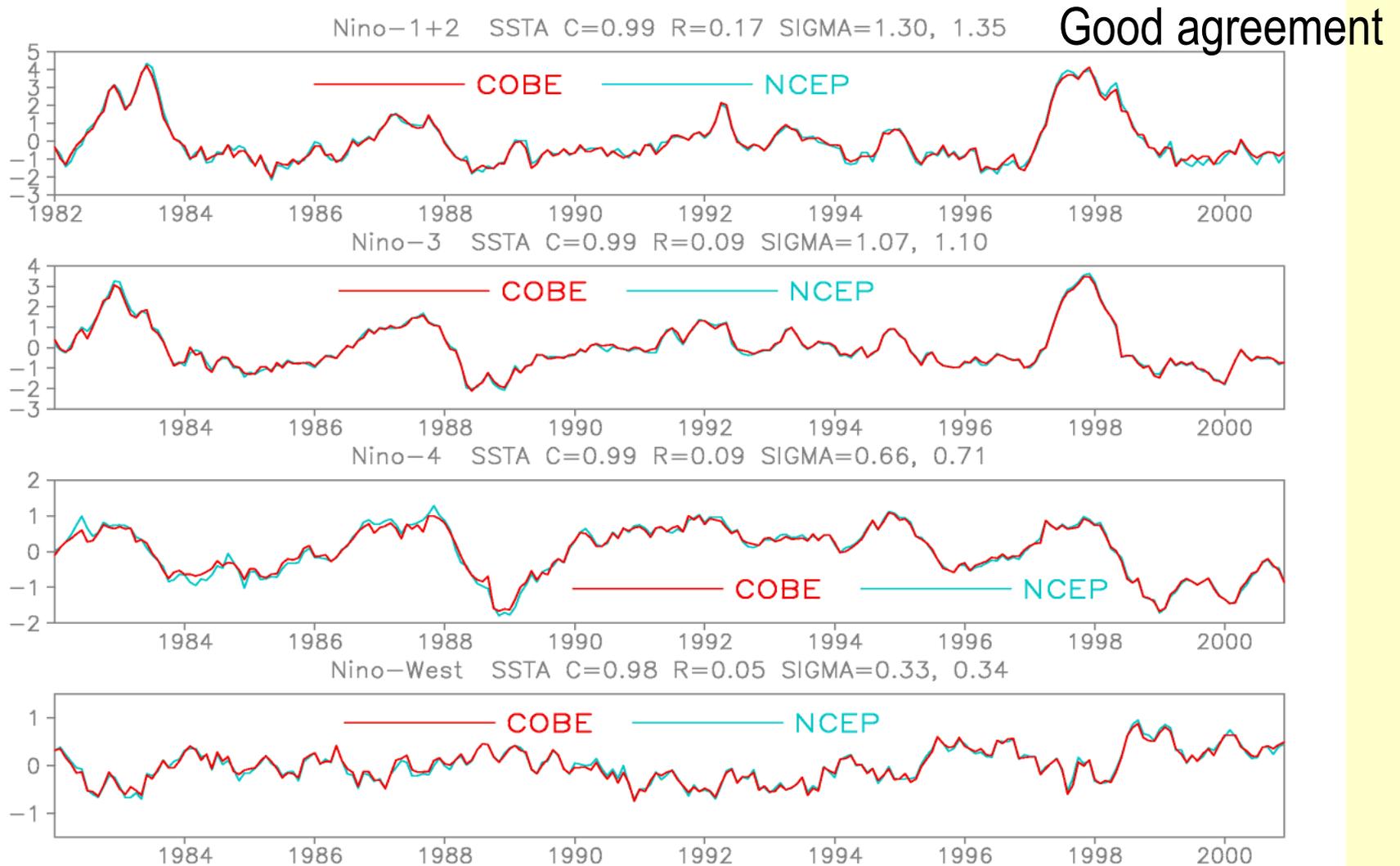


No satellite data were used in COBE. , Period: 1982-1998.

# COBE SST

## Nino area

### Comparison with NCEP OI Ver.2

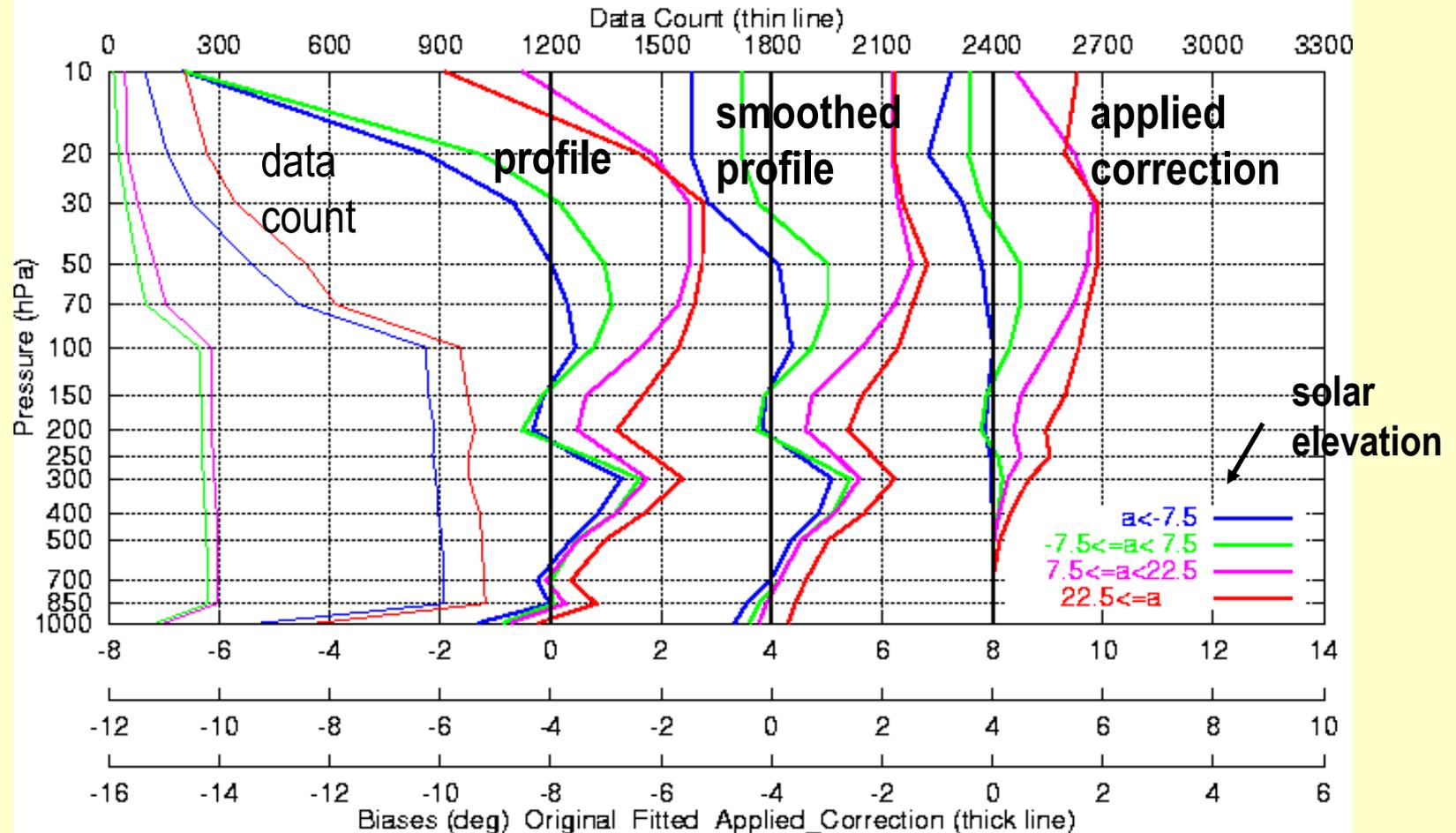


Monthly SSTA, Red: Present analysis, Blue: NCEP OI, Period: 1982-2000.

# Radiosonde bias correction

197801-197812 ROMANIA

BIAS CORRECTION

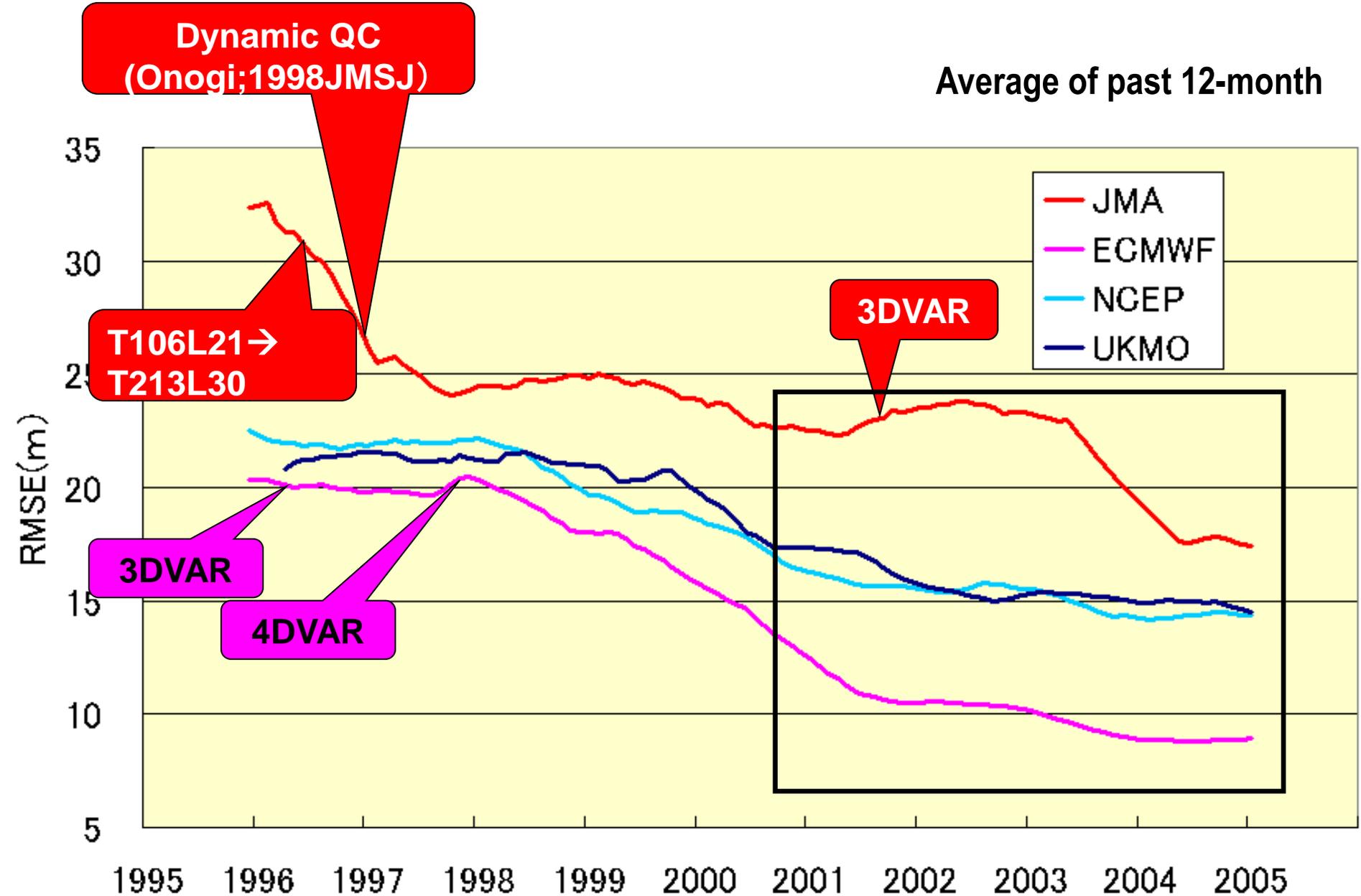


Onogi(2000), Andrae, Sokka and Onogi(2004)

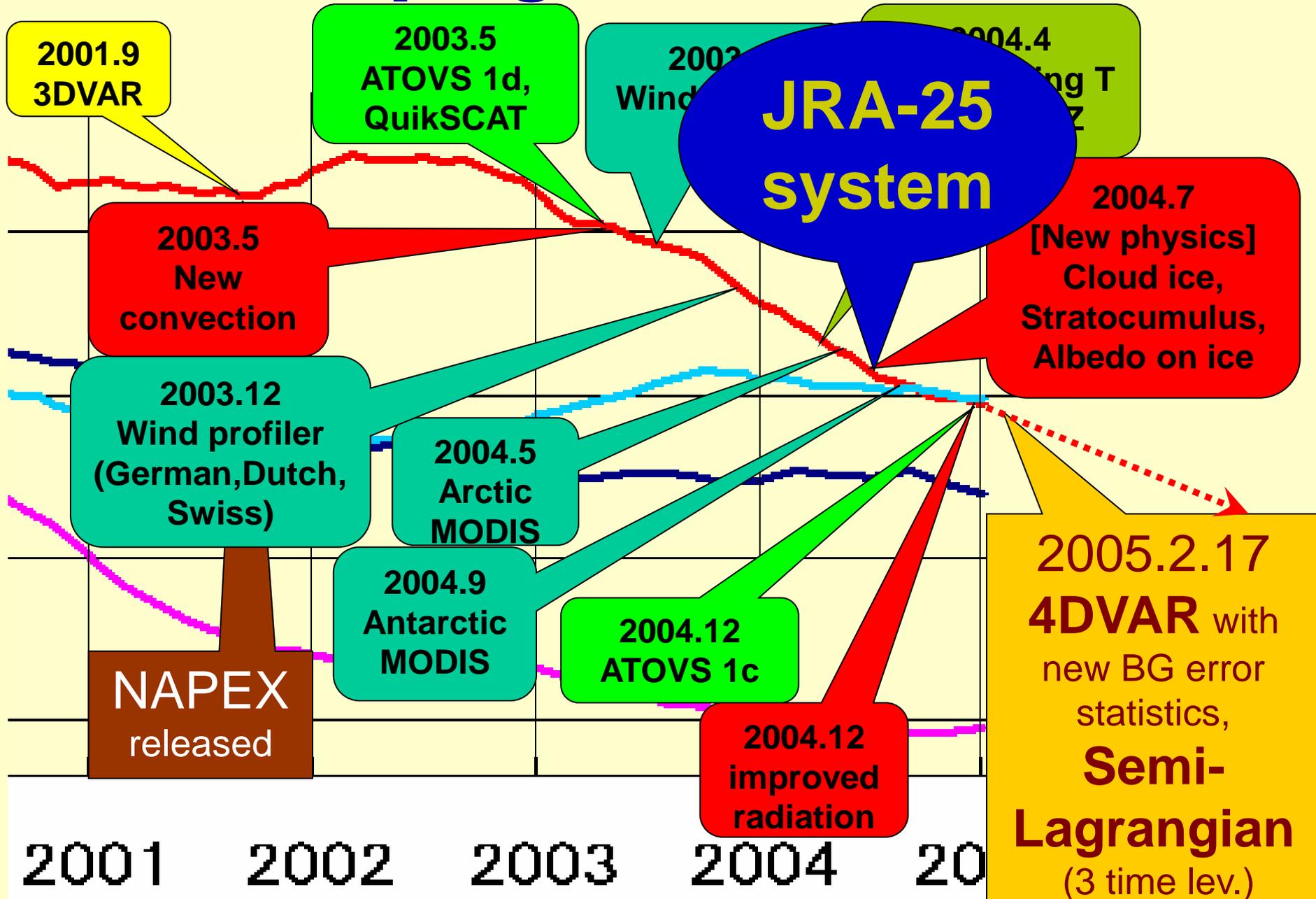
Applied correction values are upgraded every month for each region using statistics of the latest 12 months.

# Z500 RMSE SH (1-day forecast)

Average of past 12-month



# Recent progress of JMA NWP



# Difference between JRA-25 and JMA operational GSM

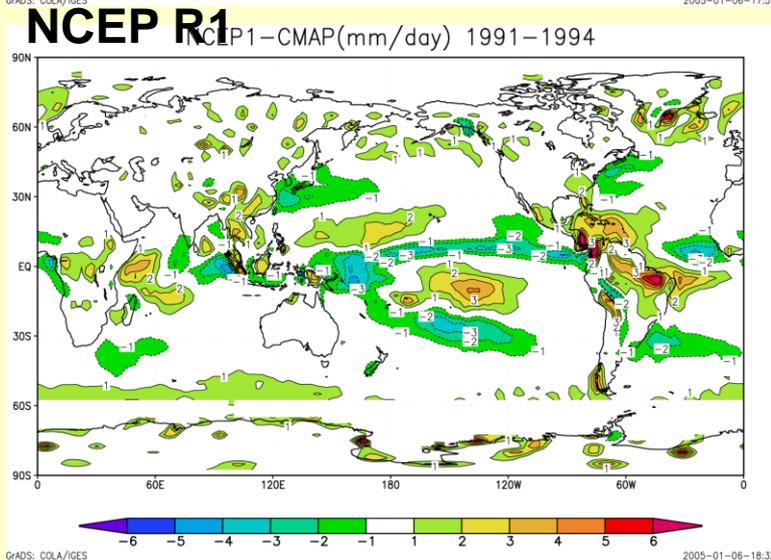
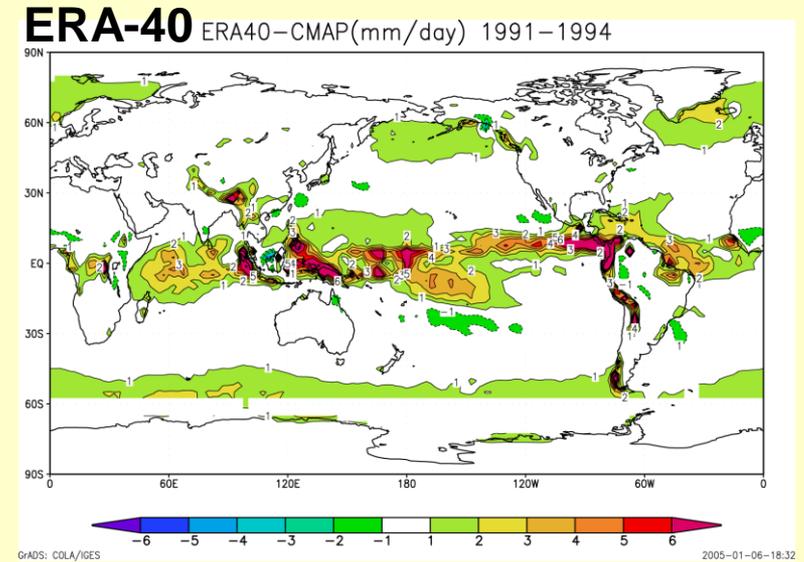
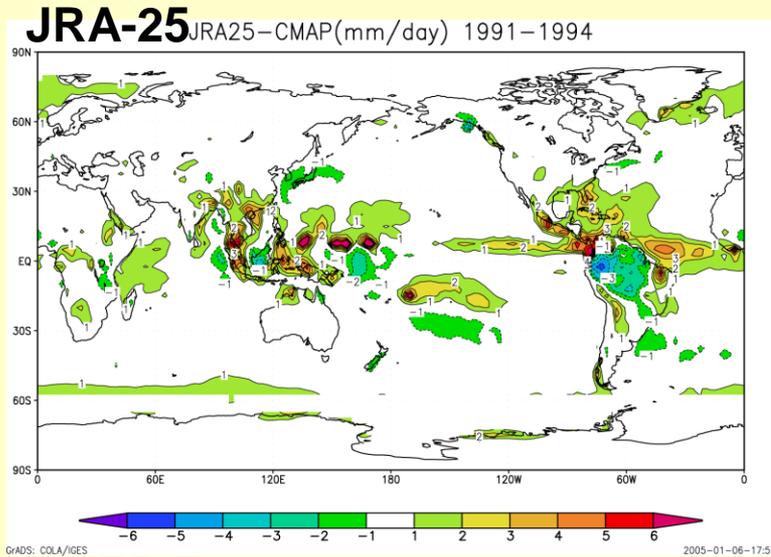
	<b>JRA-25</b>	Operational (deterministic)
resolution	T106L40 (top 0.4hPa) 3DVAR Inner T106 Eulerian	TL319L40 (top 0.4hPa) 4DVAR Inner T63 semi-Lagrangian
SSM/I PW	<b>assimilated</b>	Not yet (regional model only)
TOVS ATOVS	TOVS 1d with using RTTOV6 ATOVS 1c with using RTTOV7	ATOVS 1d with using RTTOV6 (2003.5-04.12) ATOVS 1c with using RTTOV7 (2004.12-)
Data used in snow anl.	<b>SYNOP + SSM/I snow coverage, (-1986) CPC weekly snow cov. alternatively</b>	<b>SYNOP</b> (SYNOP + SSM/I snow coverage for EPS)
SST	<b>COBE (daily)</b>	2D-OI (Baba) using climate FG
sea ice	<b>COBE (daily) with using SSM/I</b>	Monthly climate (55% concentration) (same as ERA-15 by Baba)
ozone	<b>3-D daily</b>	2-D climate (zonal mean)
radiation	Previous scheme (large bias of temperature in the stratosphere)	<b>Improved scheme (reduced the bias of temperature)</b>
background error	<b>New BG error statistics 2003 for 4DVAR are used.</b>	Old BG error statistics 2000 were used in the previous 3DVAR.

Yellow colours mean better (advanced).

# **Performance of JRA-25**

Comparison with other reanalyses

# Annual mean precipitation (difference between CMAP) (1991-1994)



## ERA40

Much more than CMAP in the tropics

## JRA-25

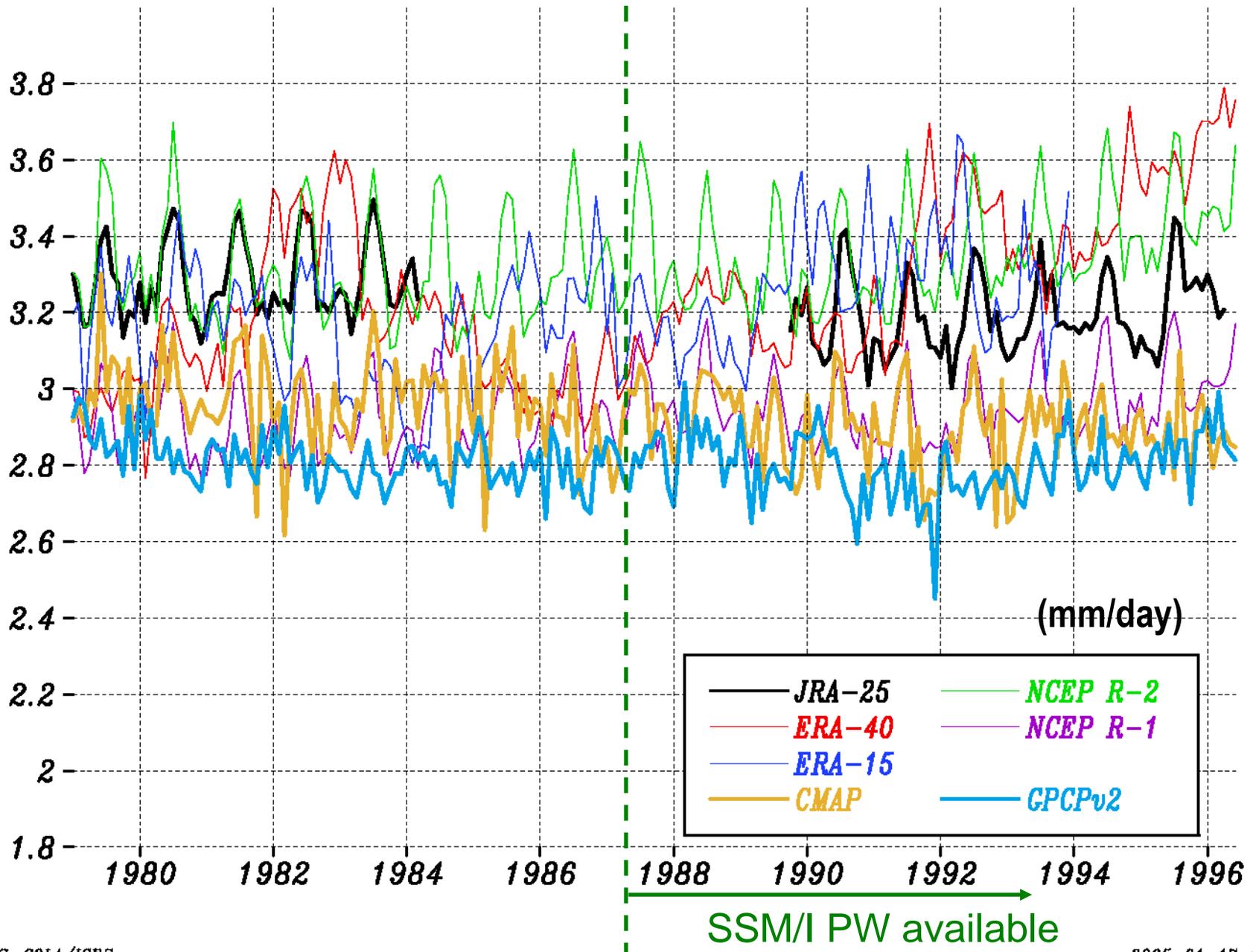
More than CMAP

## NCEP1

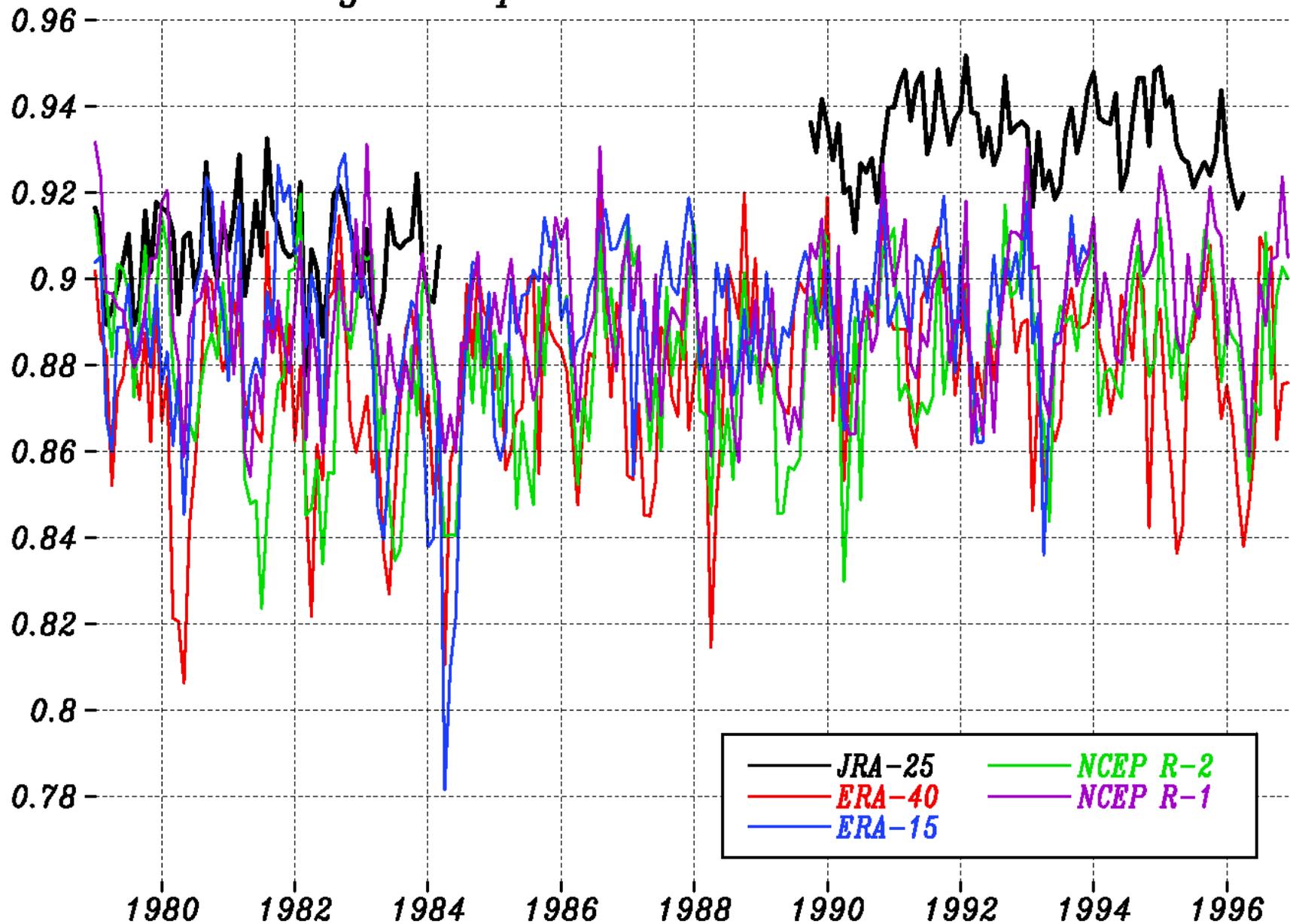
More than CMAP in large precipitation area

Less than CMAP in little precipitation area

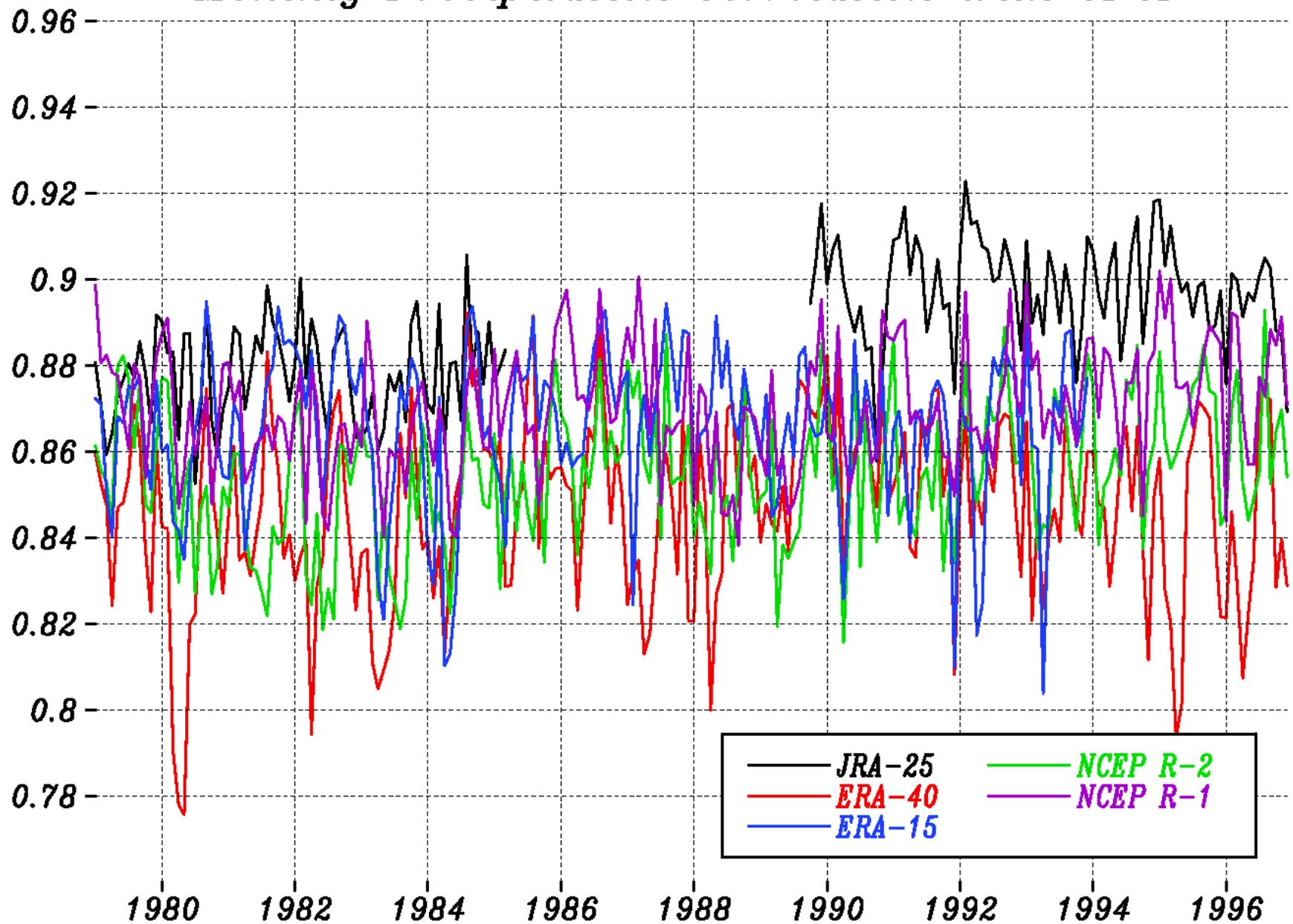
# 60N-60S Monthly Precipitation



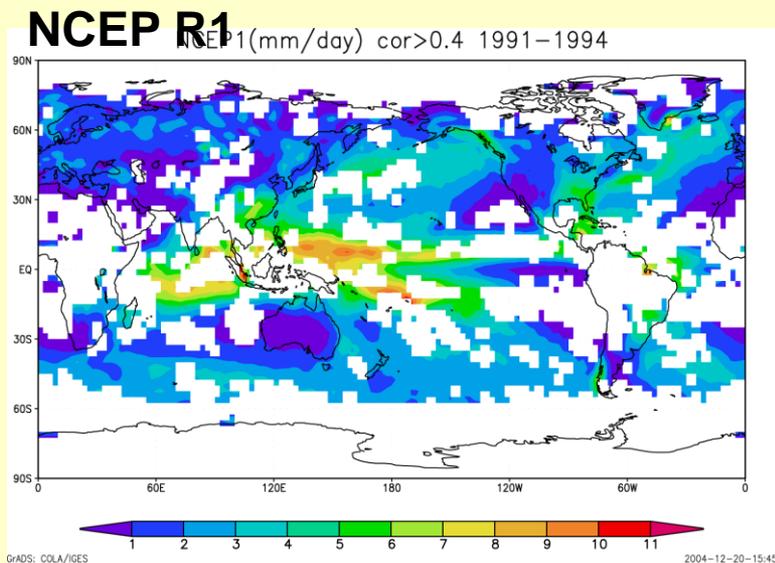
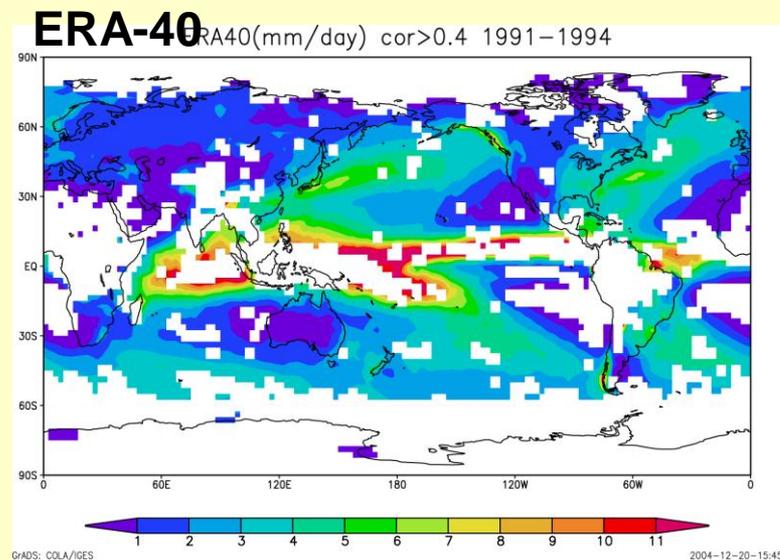
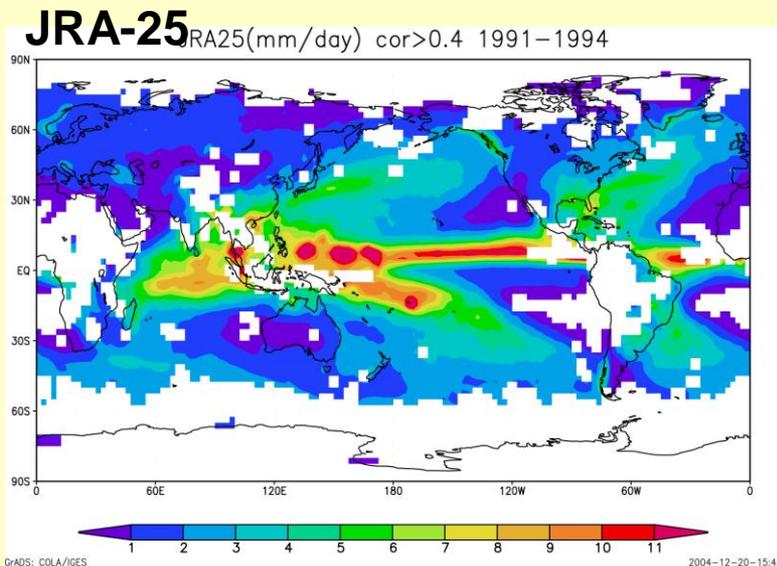
# Monthly Precipitation Correlation with CMAP



# Monthly Precipitation Correlation with GPCP



# Annual precipitation where anomaly correlation with CMAP > 0.4 (1991-1994)

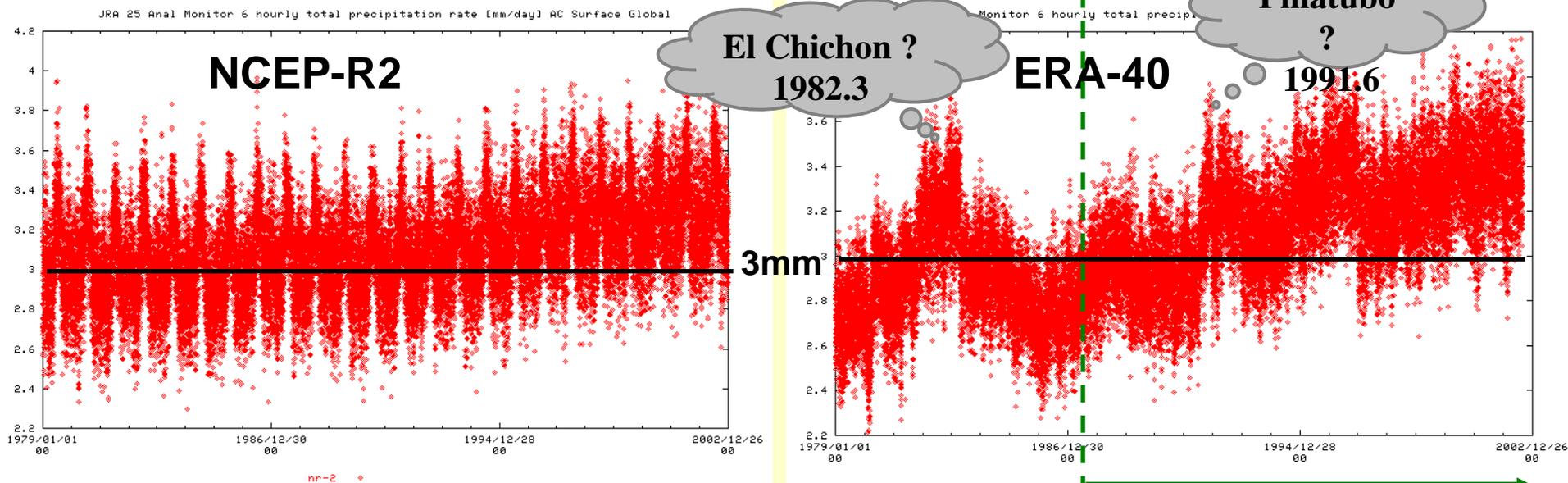
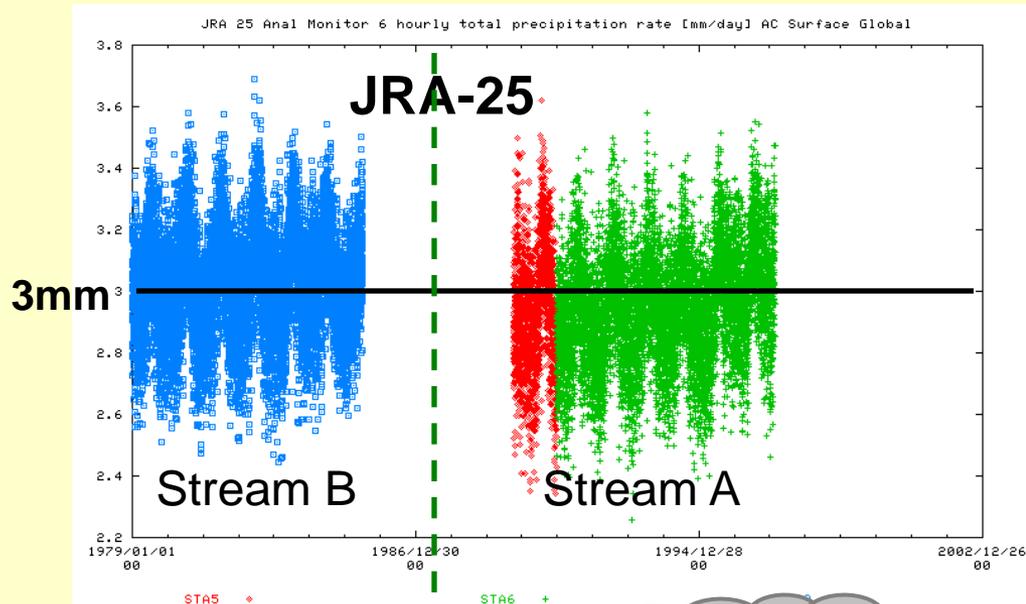


Width of the coloured area  
(anomaly correlation > 0.4)

JRA-25 > ERA-40 > NCEP R1

# Global Total precipitation

1979.1 – 2002.12  
(mm/day)



Kobayashi's comprehensive monitor

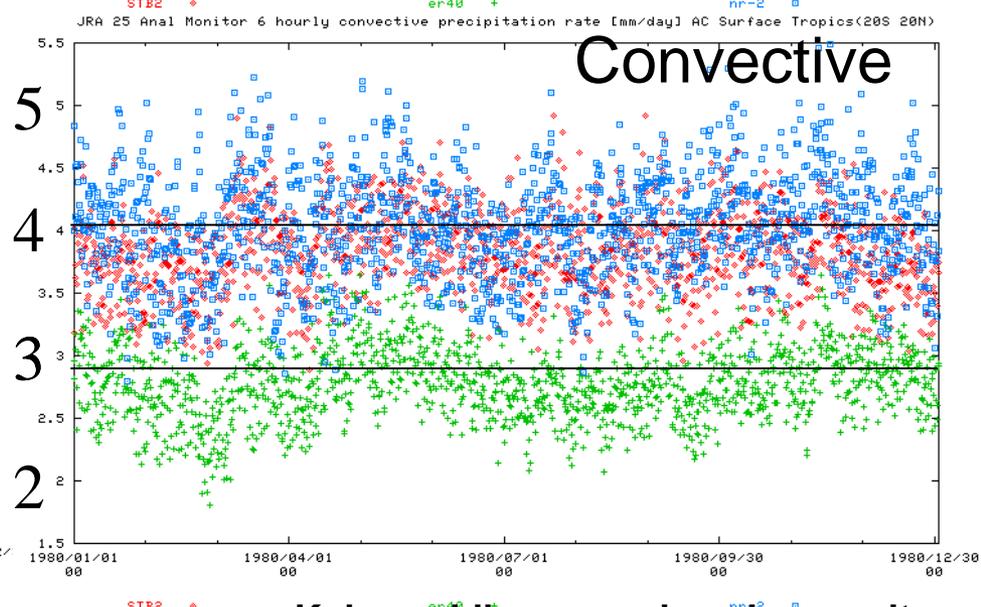
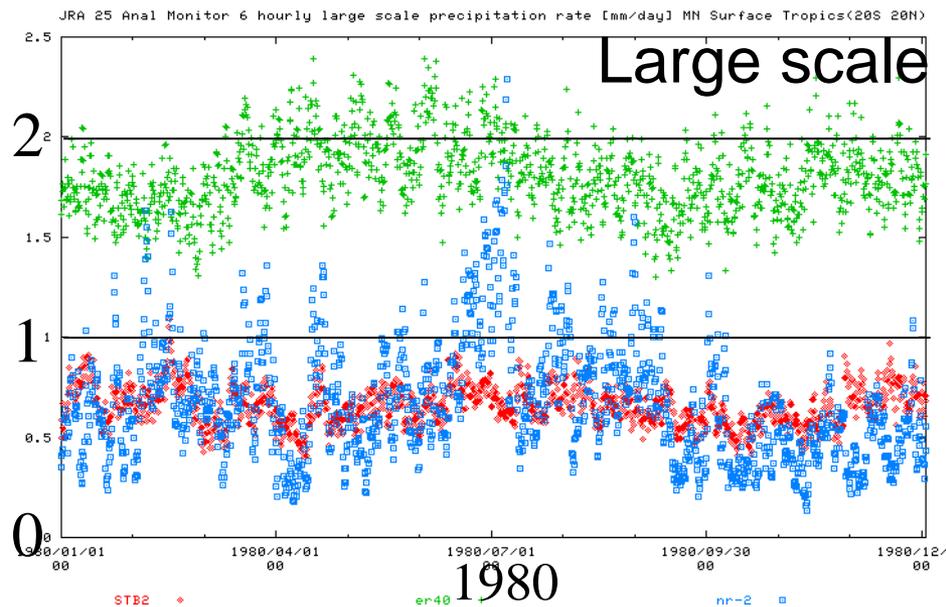
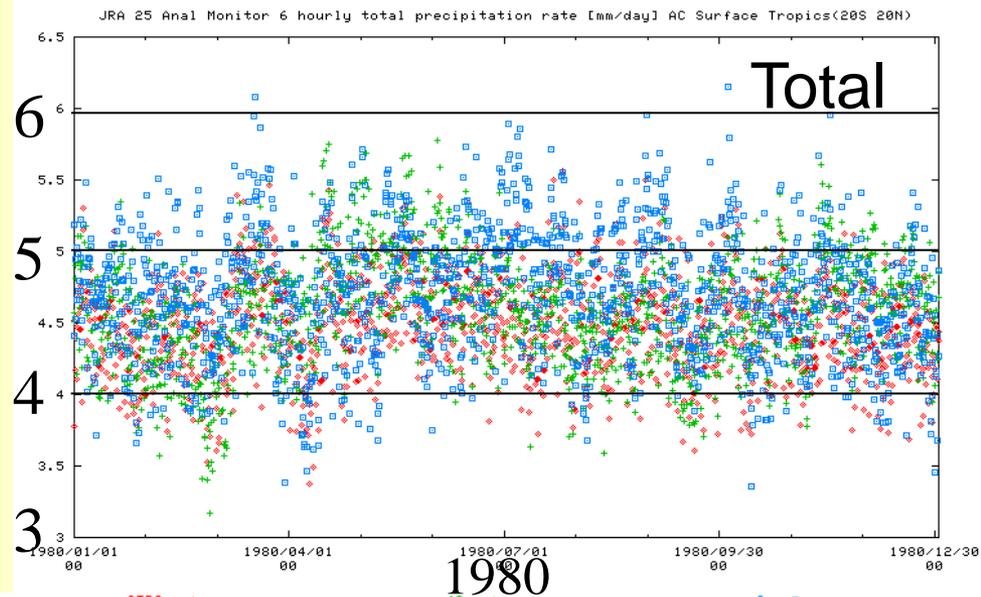
SSM/I PW available

# 6 hourly (FT=0 to 6) precipitation in the tropics (1980)

(20N-20S; mm/day)

SSM/I PW not available

JRA-25  
ERA-40  
NCEP-R2



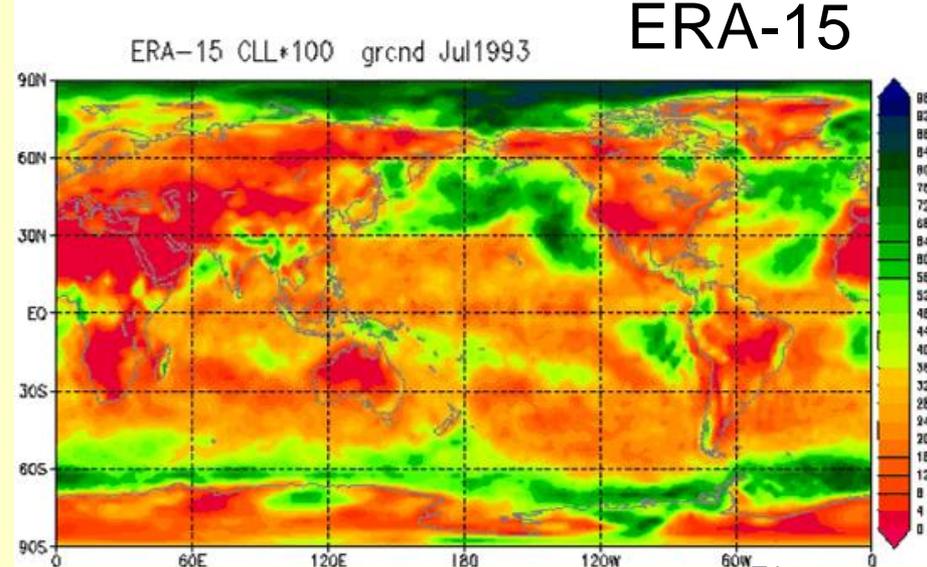
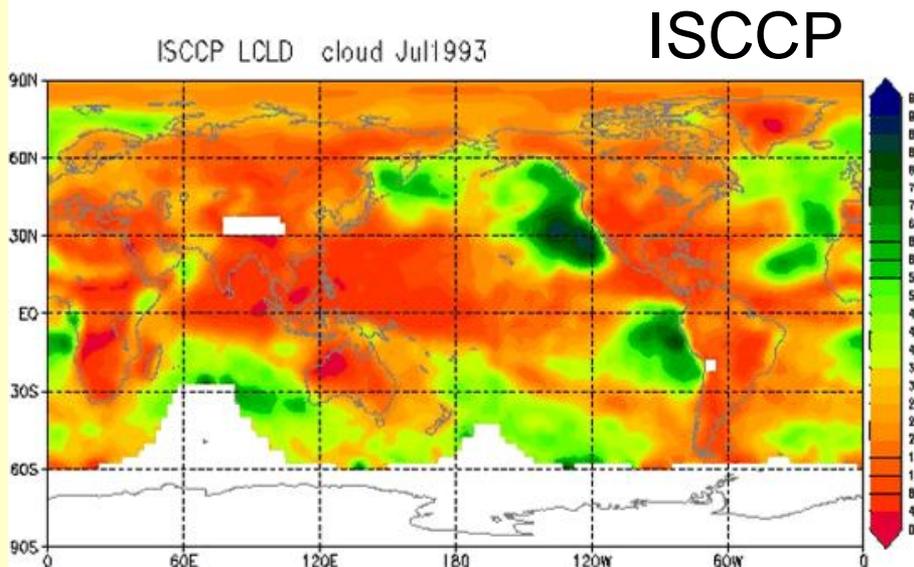
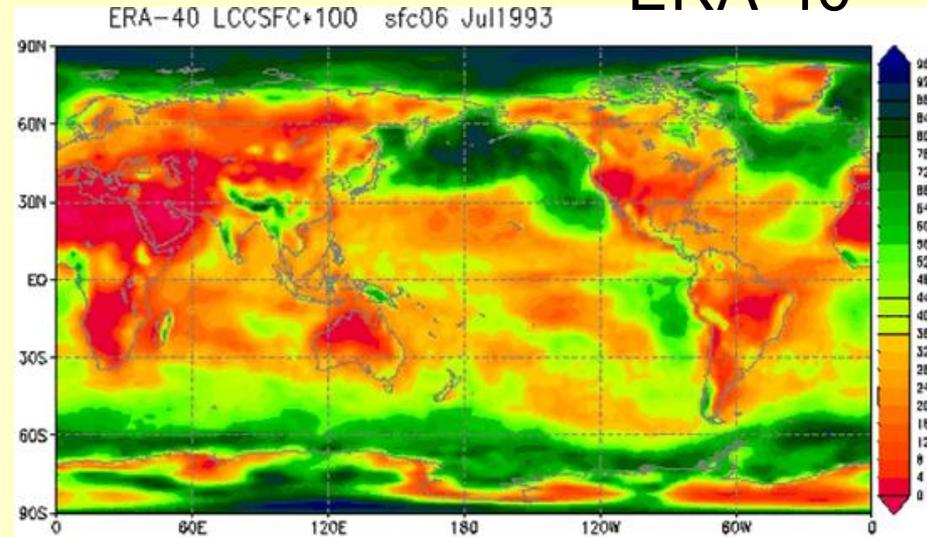
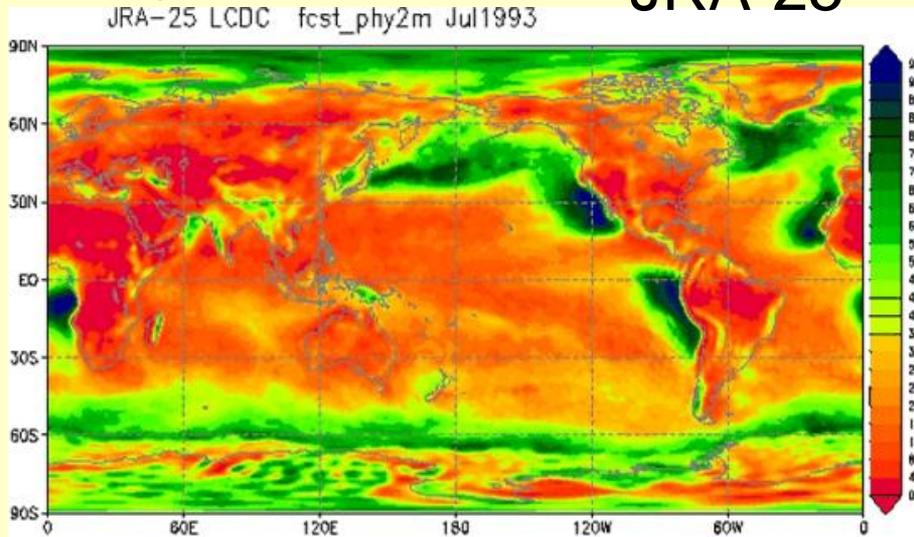
Kobayashi's comprehensive monitor

# Low level cloud along western coasts

July 1993

JRA-25

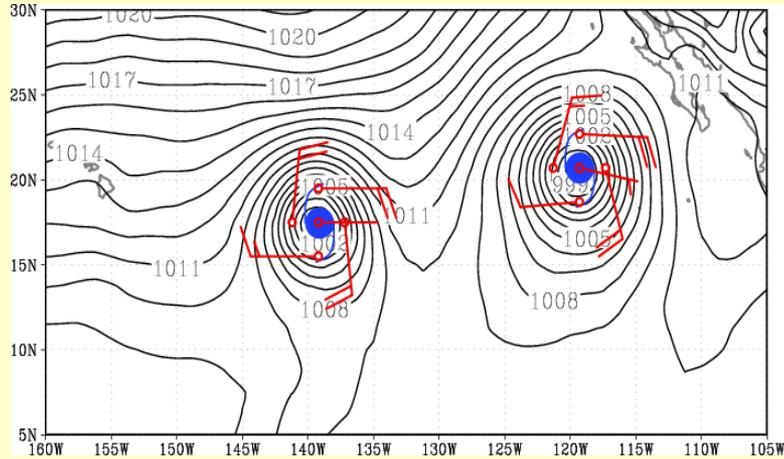
ERA-40



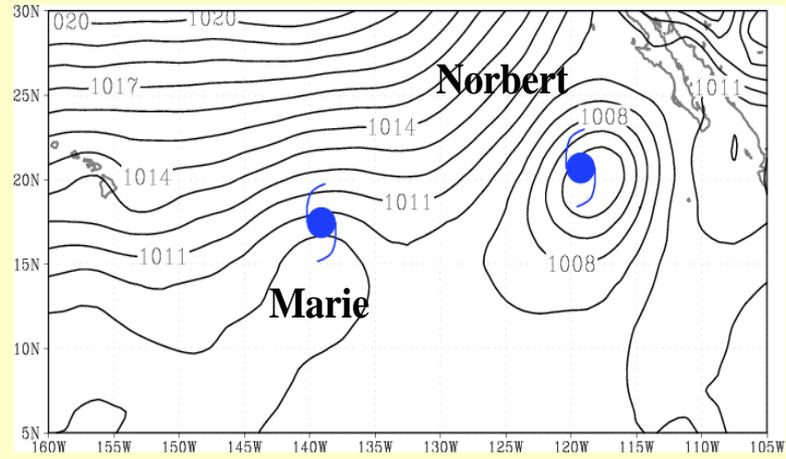
# Impact of Fiorino's TC Wind Data

1200 UTC 15 September 1990 in the eastern North Pacific

JRA-25

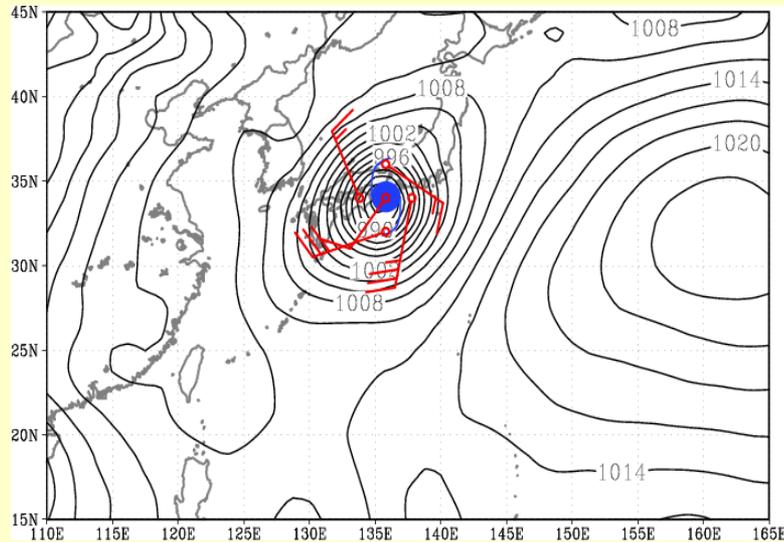


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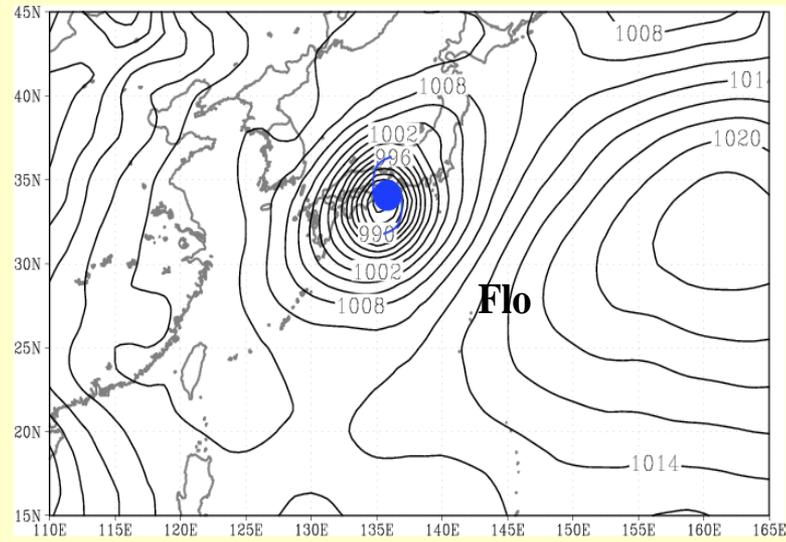


1800 UTC 19 September 1990 in the western North Pacific

JRA-25



Control



# TC detection (1991-1997)

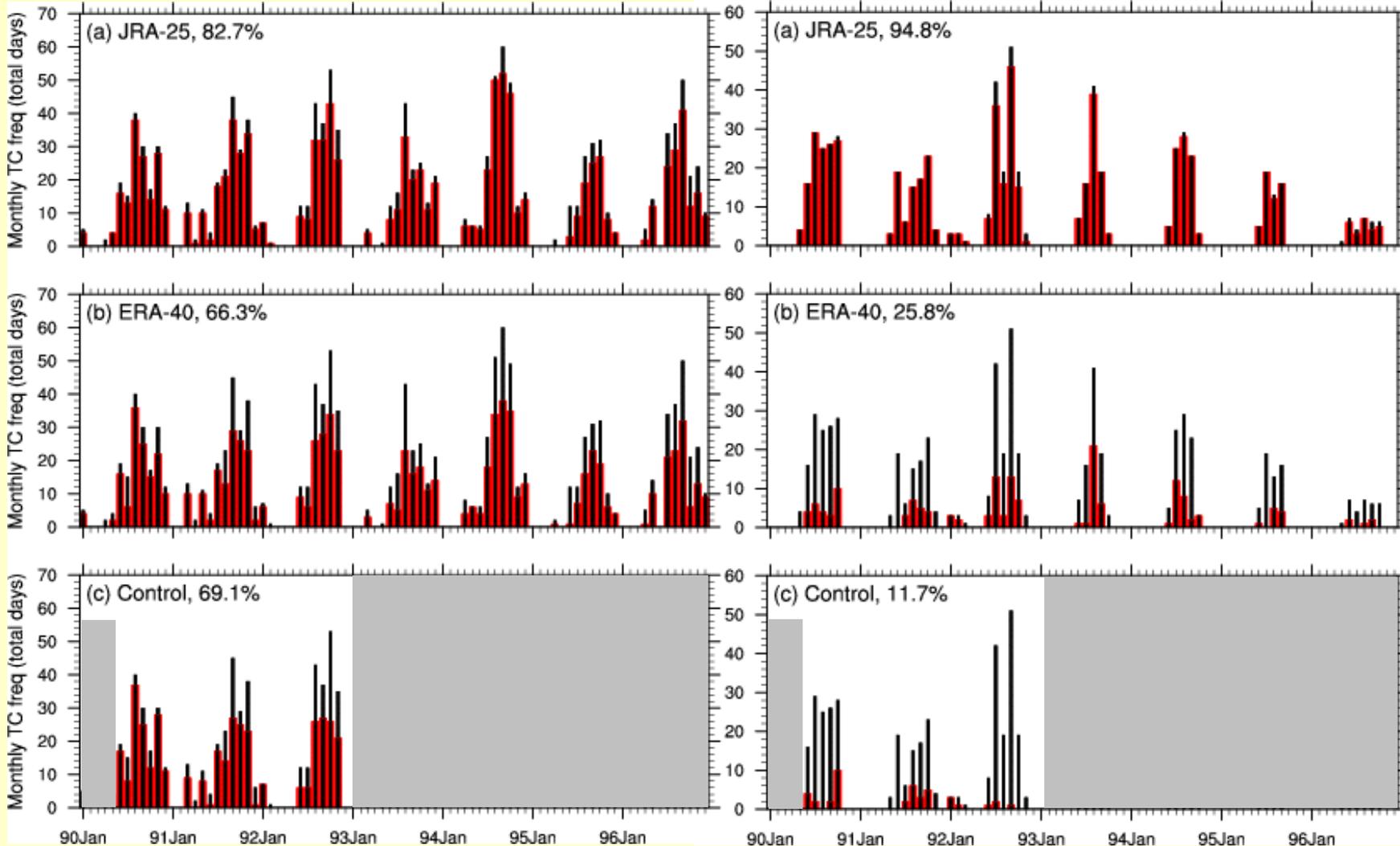
Western North Pacific

Eastern North Pacific

JRA-25

ERA-40

JRA-25  
without  
Fiorino  
wind  
data



red: reanalyses black: best track

2.5deg. Lat-Lon grid

# Snow coverage retrieved from SSM/I

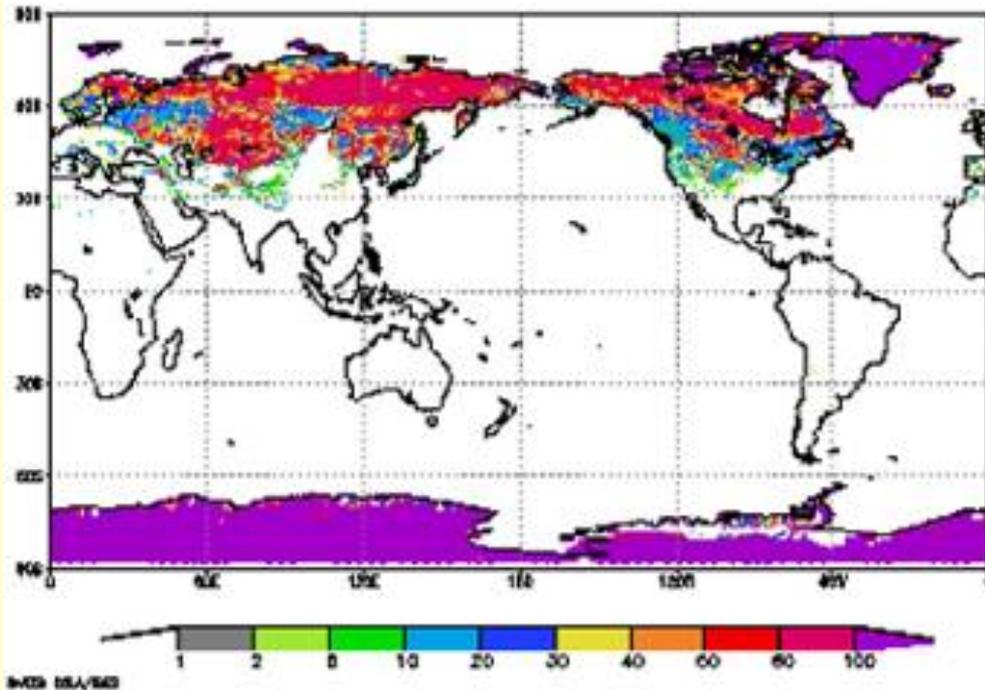
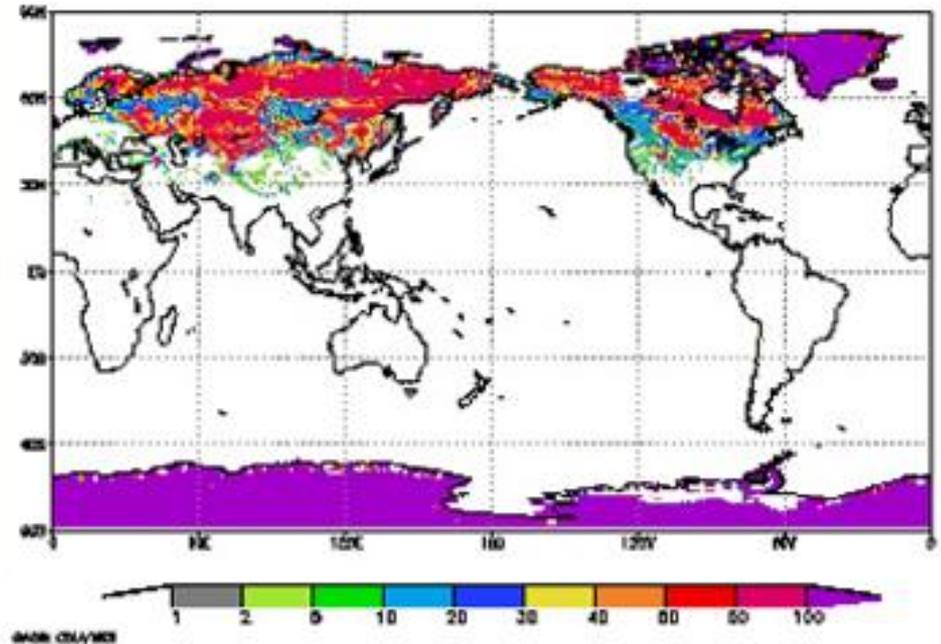
DMSP-10

Example; 1994. 2. 1

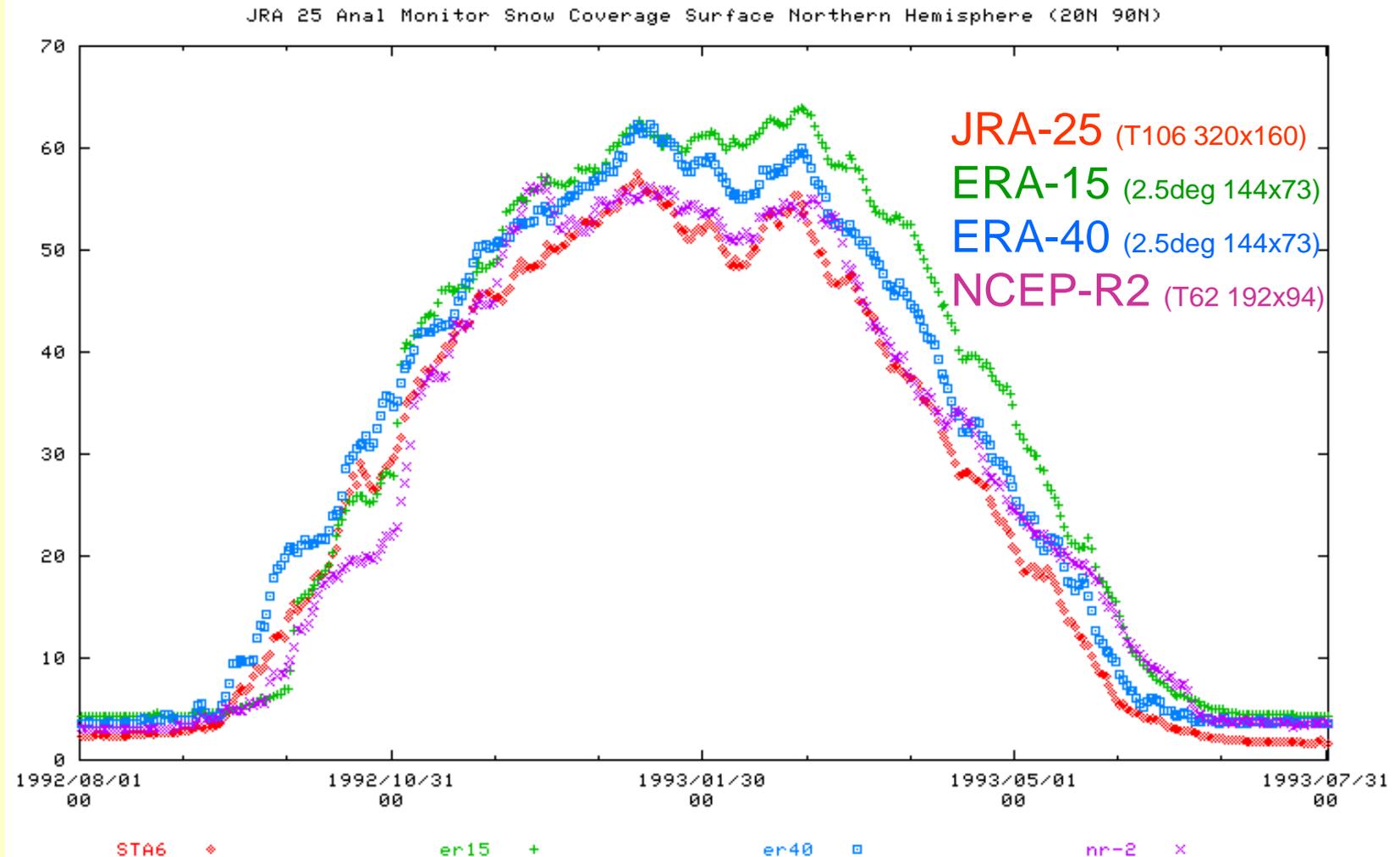
SSM/I snow coverage  
contributes consistent  
snow analysis.

DMSP-11

Average of snow coverage is  
taken for available satellites.



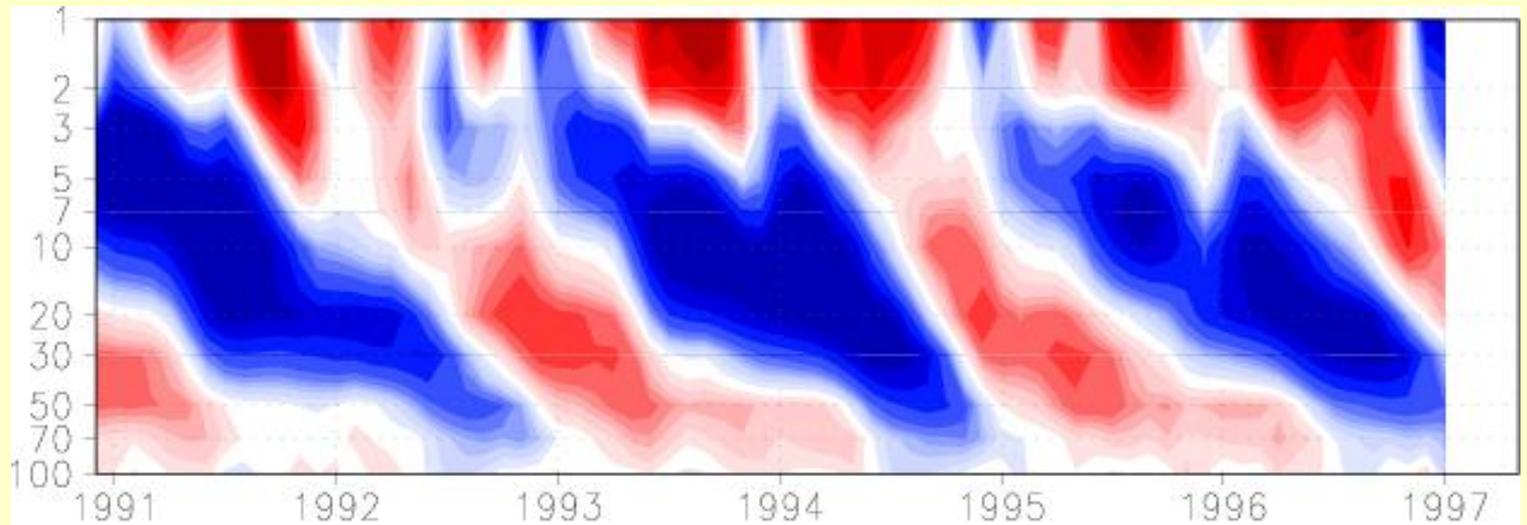
# Annual changes of snow coverage rate (%) in NH (1992.8 – 1993.7)



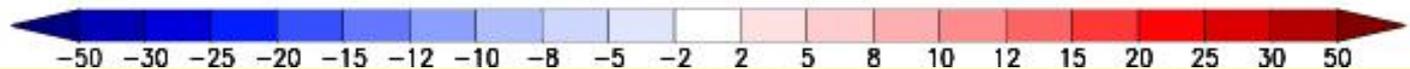
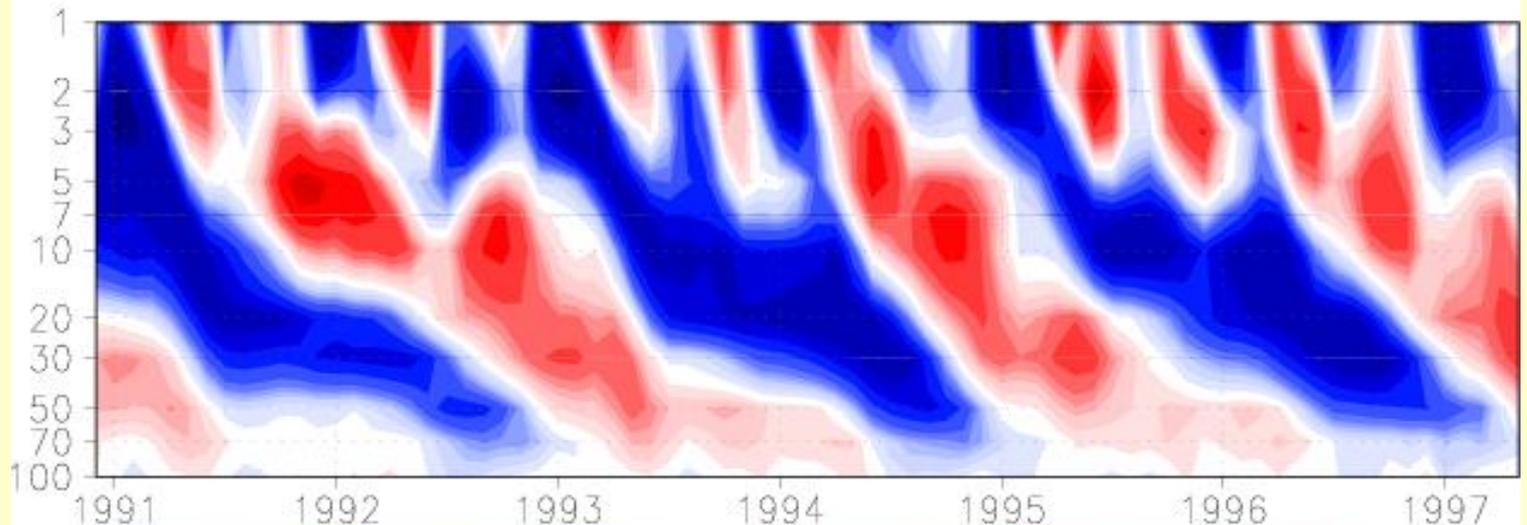
# QBO and SAO (1991-1997)

Zonal mean U [m/s] at Equator

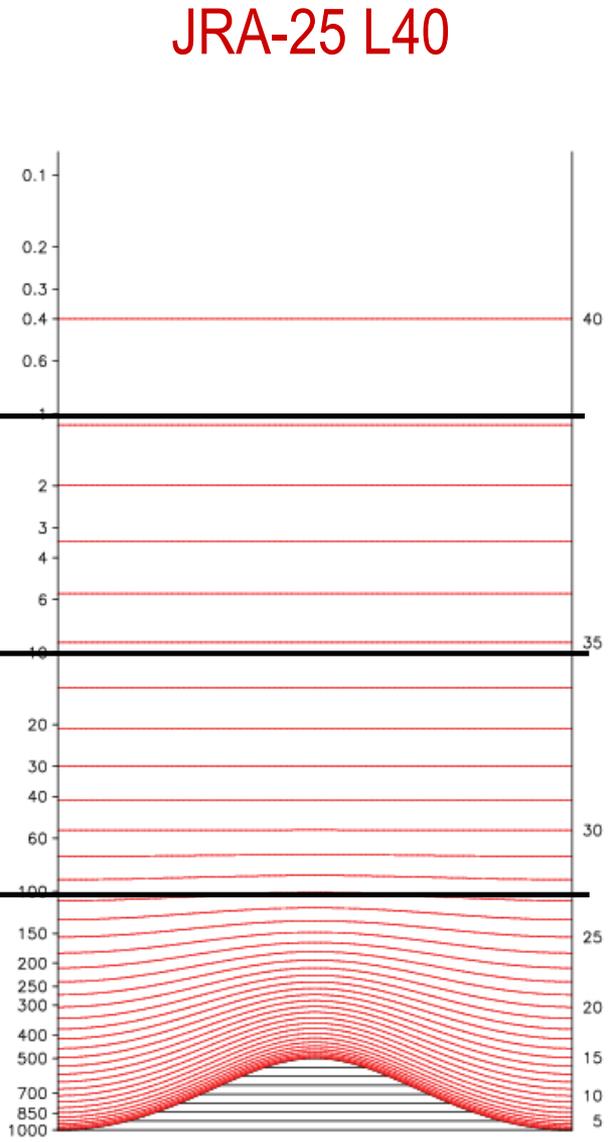
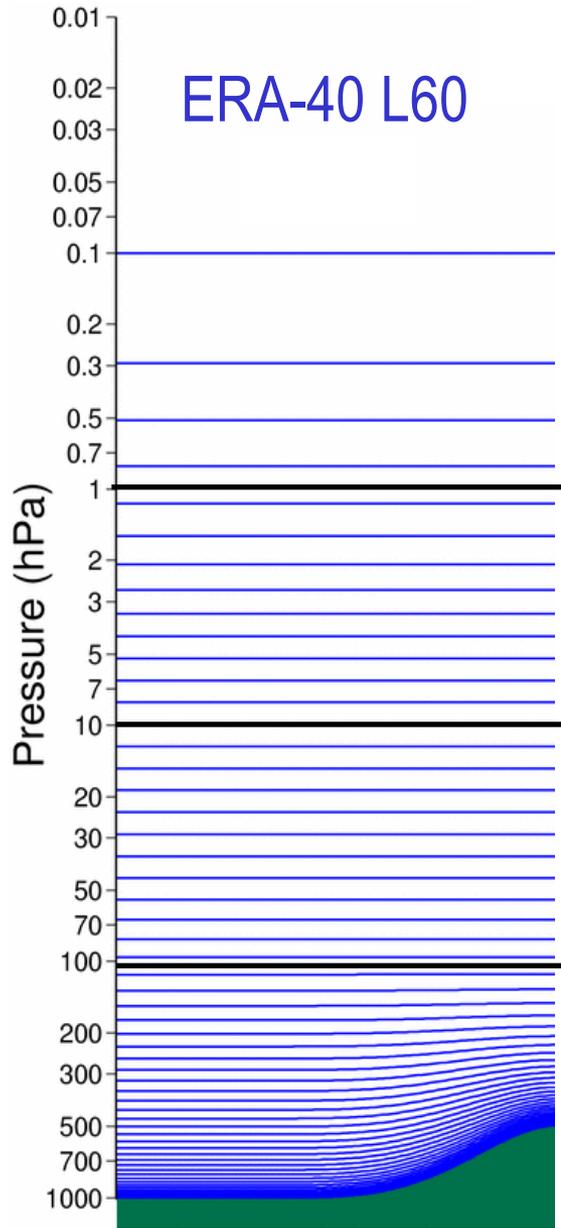
JRA-25



ERA-40



# Vertical resolution



# Surface 2m temperature

Anomaly from climate  
(1961-90 ERA-40)

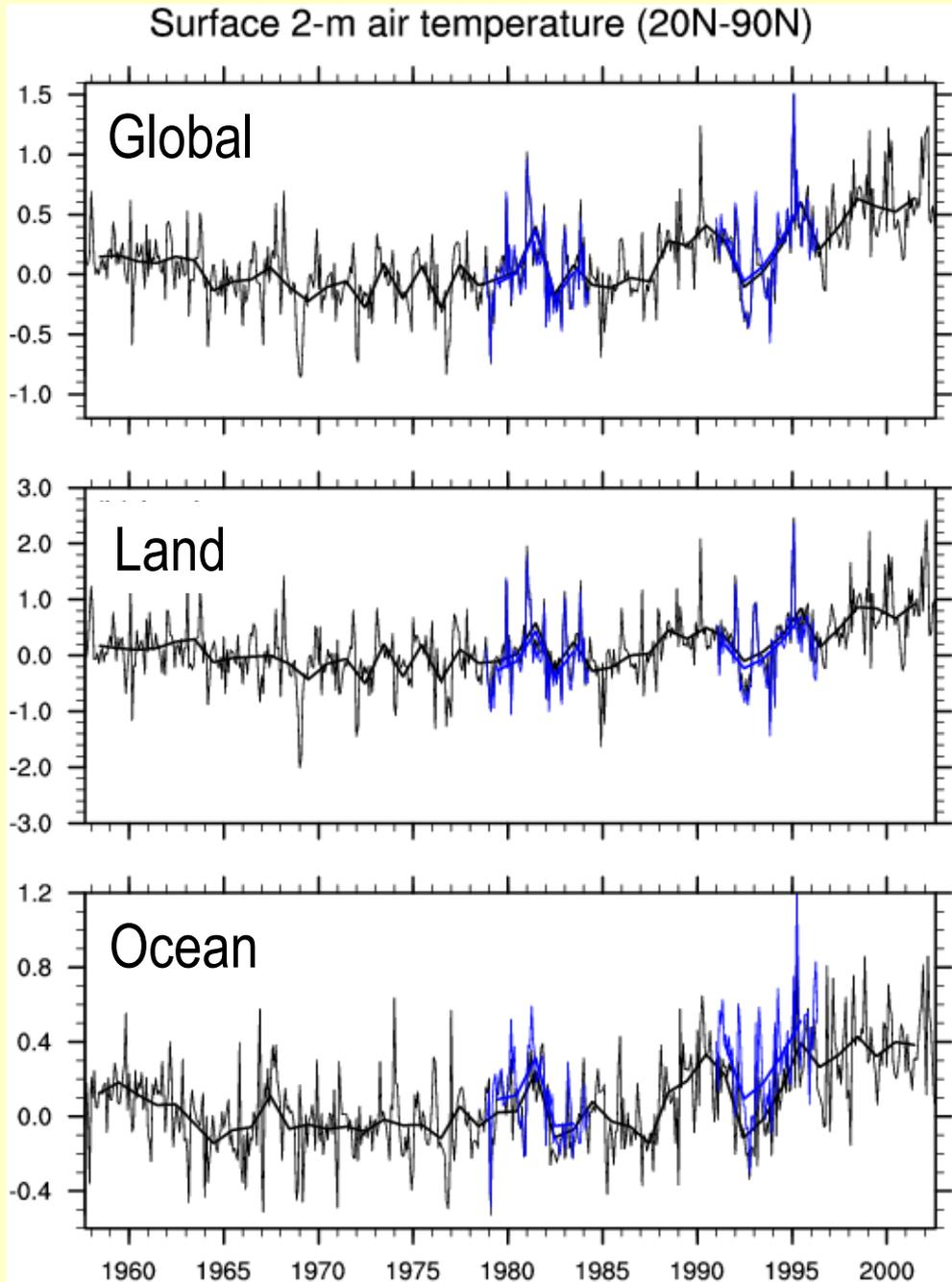
T2m is analyzed with  
2D-OI in JRA-25.

**ERA-40**

**JRA-25**

Thin : monthly mean

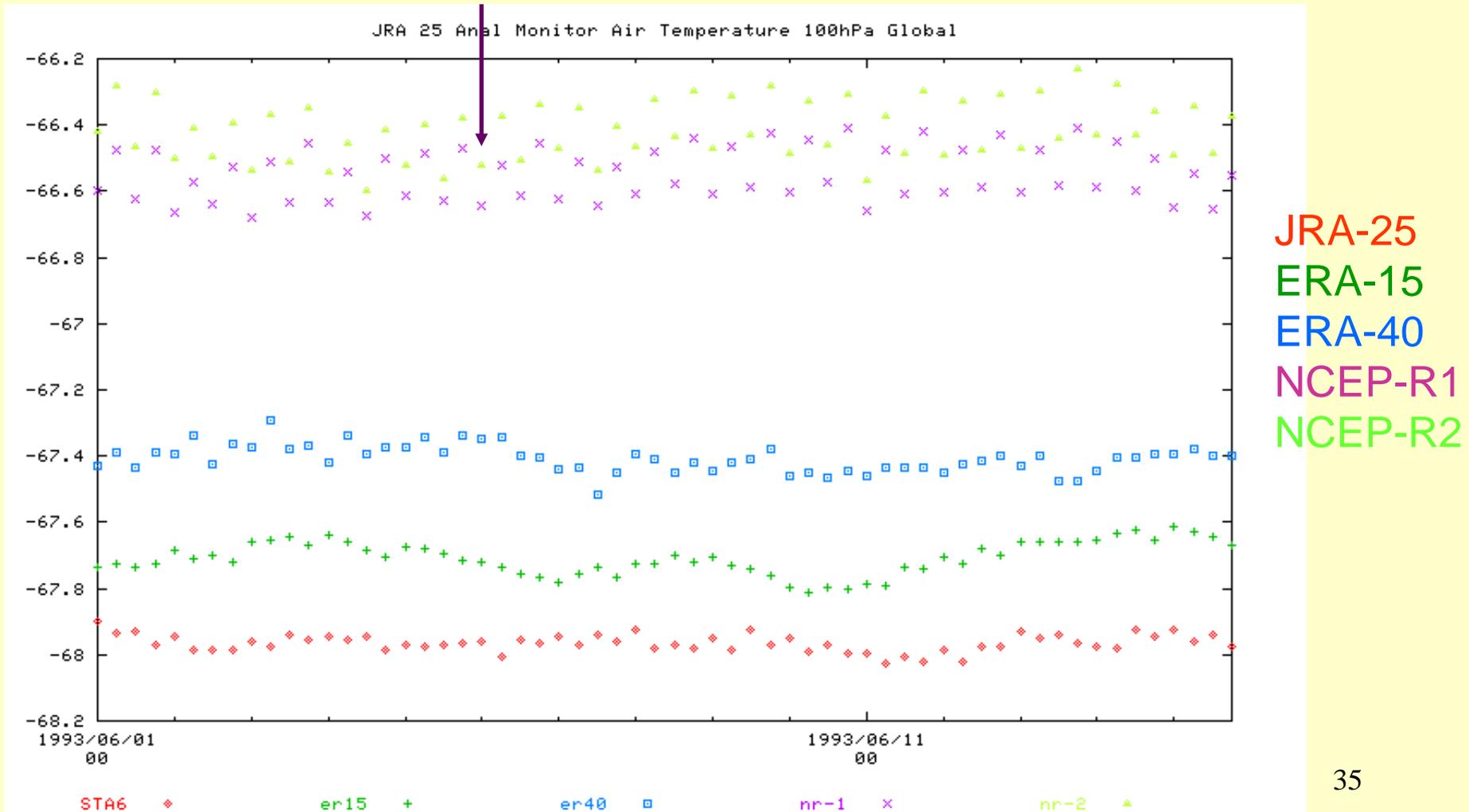
Thick : annual mean



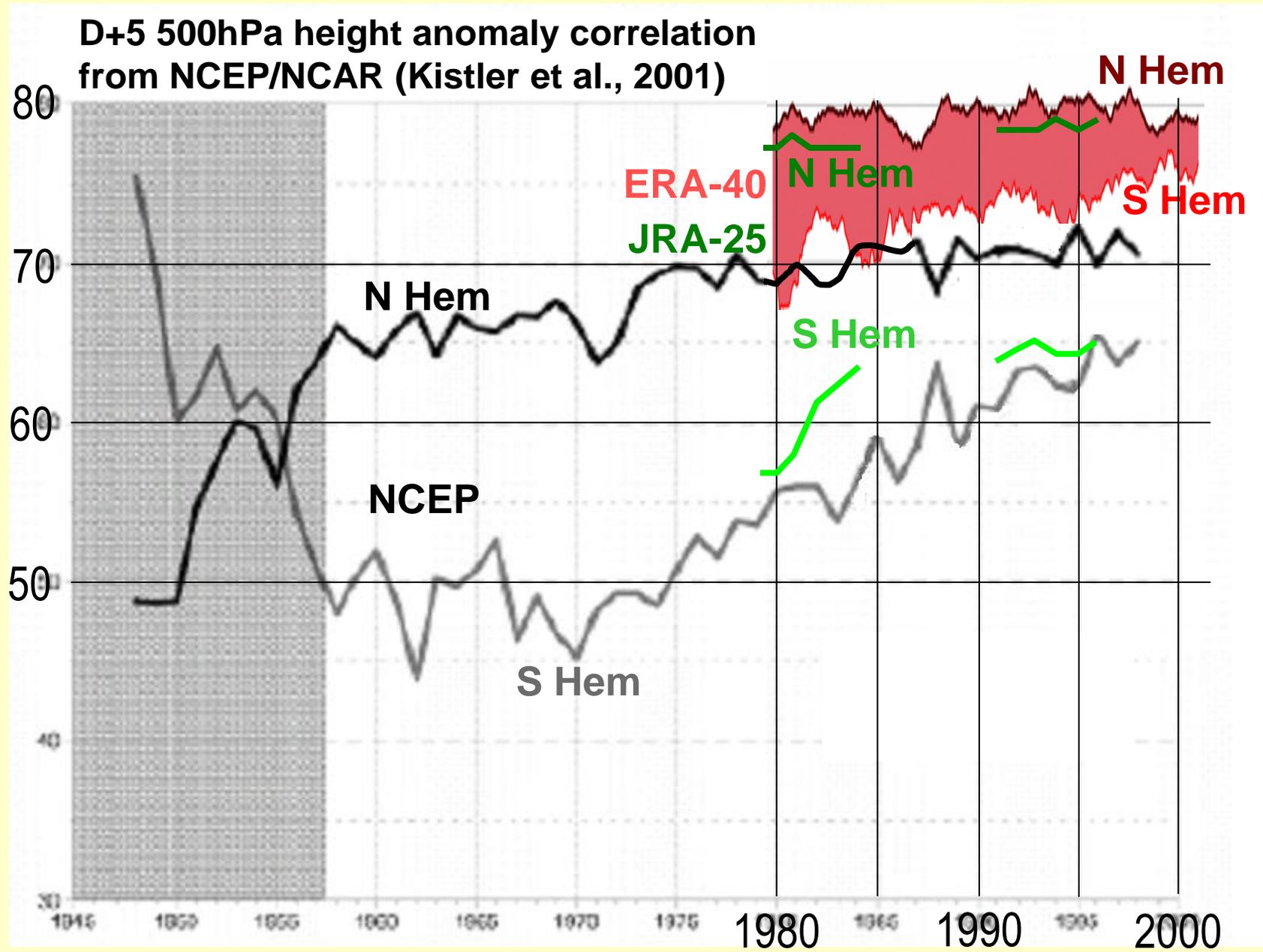
# Short time scale fluctuation

(example : Global T100 : 1993.6.1-15)

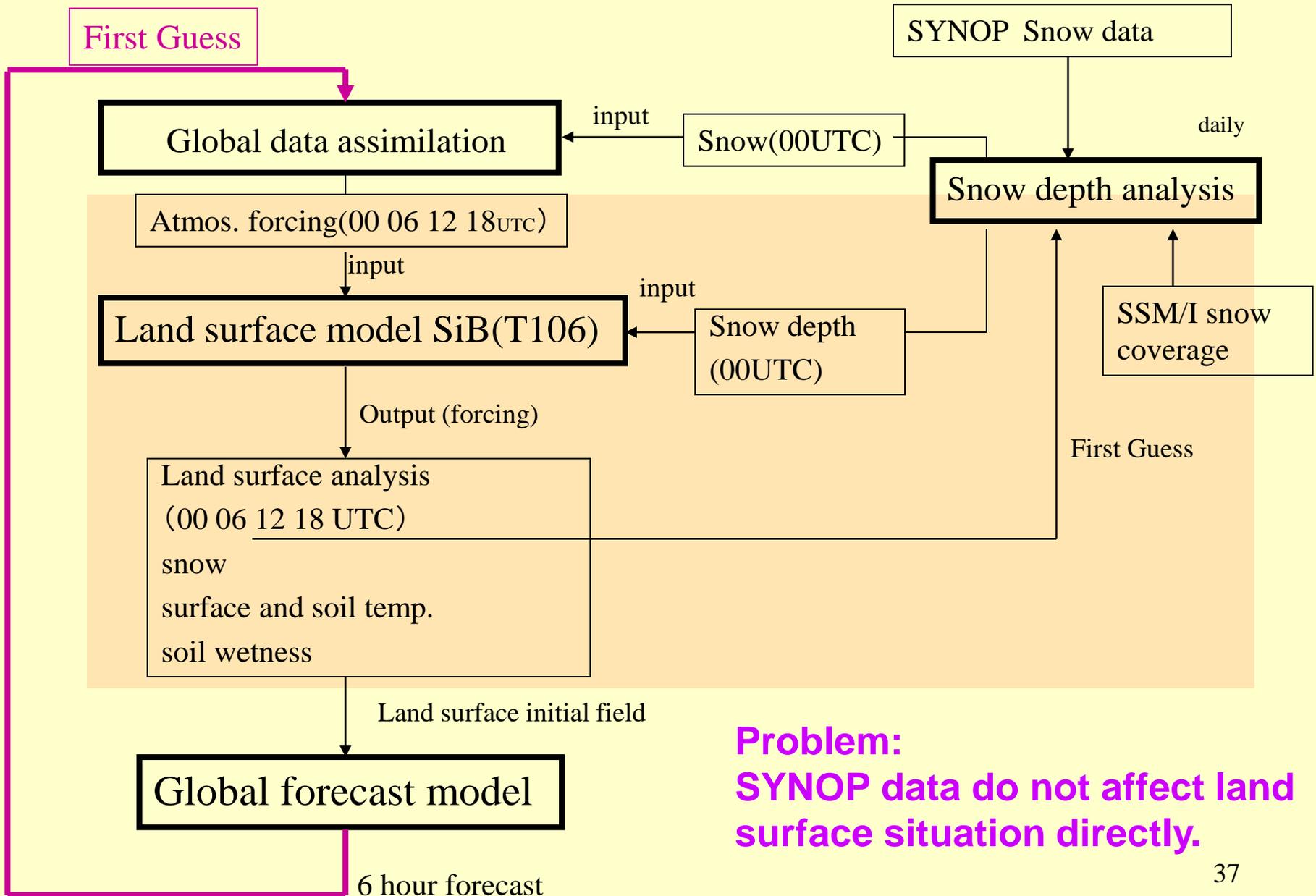
Apparent 12-hourly oscillations are found in NCEP R1 and R2.



# Comparison of forecast scores



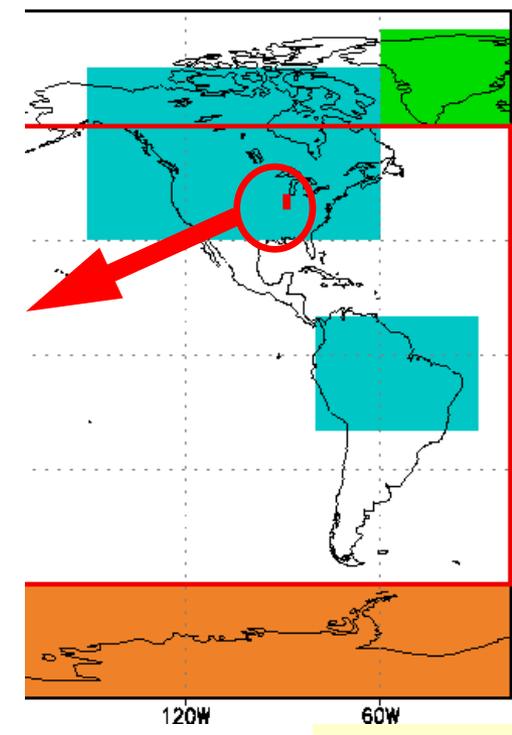
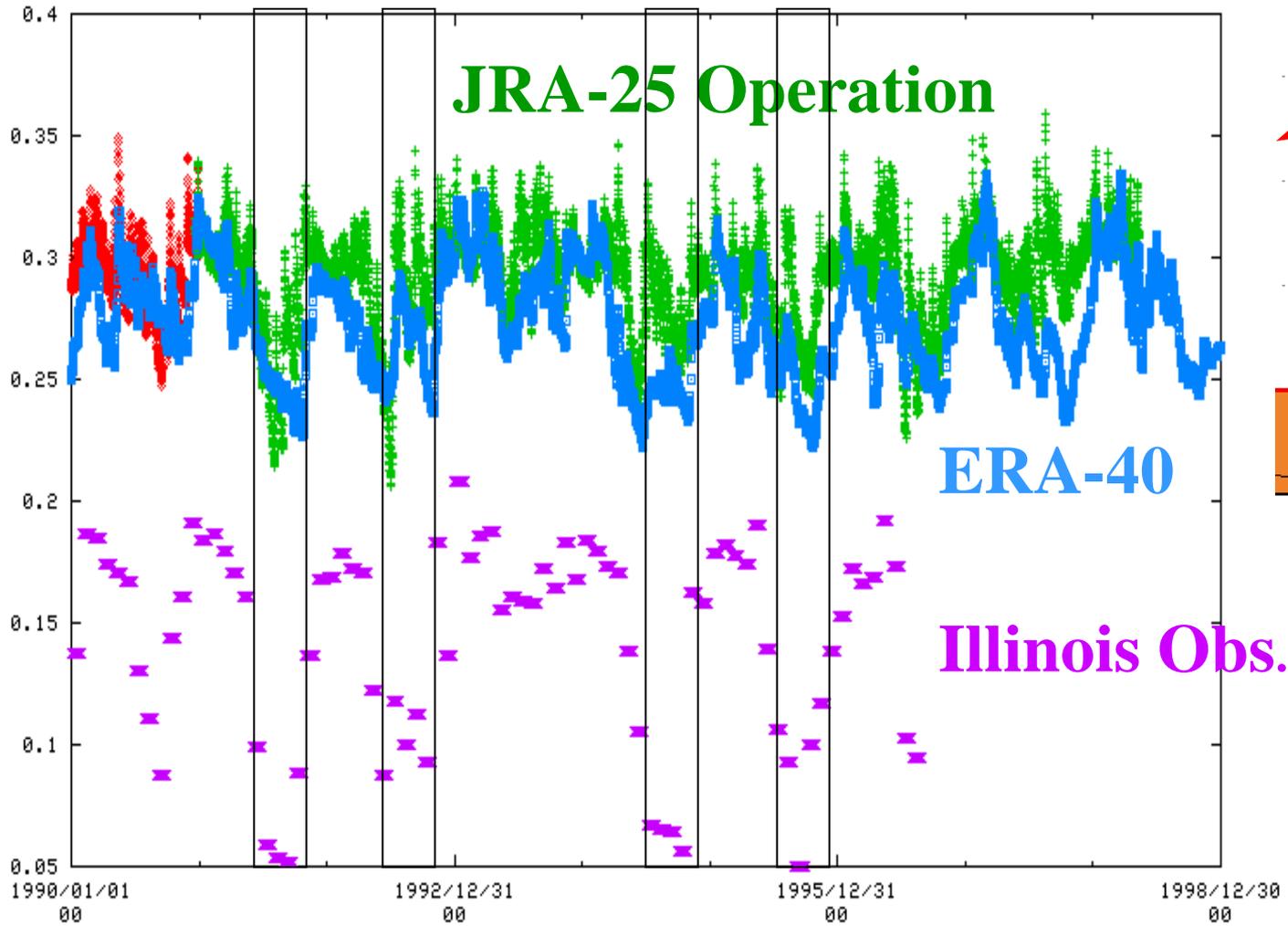
# Land Surface Analysis in JRA-25 (T106)



*Product Detail*

# *Soil Wetness in Illinois (Root Depth)*

JRA 25 Anal Monitor Soil Wetness Surface Illinois (90W 88W,38N 42N)



# Summary

## Advantages of JRA-25

- **Best performance of 6-hour precipitation**
  - Assimilating SSM/I PW effective without biases
  - Limited selection of TOVS channels led good performance
  - Not suffering from volcanic eruption
- **Best performance of low level cloud along subtropical western coasts**
  - Corresponding radiation improved as well
- **Good tropical cyclone analysis**
  - Thanks to Mike Florino
  - Very effective to data sparse area
- **Good snow analysis**
  - SSM/I snow cov.

# Summary

## Problems of JRA-25

- **Drying soil in Amazon**
- **Jumps of temperature** in the lower stratosphere and around the tropopause
  - Triggered by changes of TOVS data
  - Model bias of the temperature
  - JRA-25 is more sensitive to the changes than ERA-40.
- **Ripple-marked moisture over polar regions**
- **Mistake in the snow analysis until 1983**
- 2 streams (ST-B and ST-A) connect smoothly?

# JRA-25 Product available via internet

- Basic products are available
- For research use only
- Registration to the JRA-25 evaluation group is needed.

Just writing :

Name and affiliation

(Purpose of your research briefly)

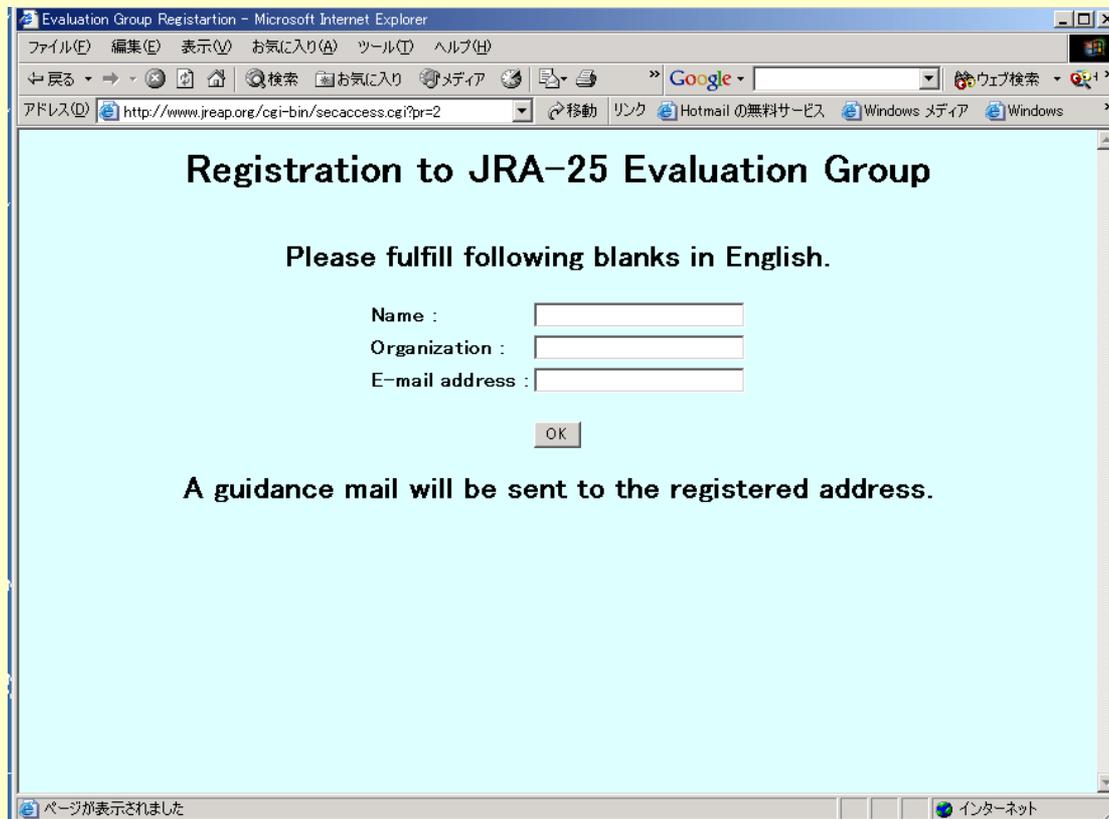


<http://www.jreap.org/indexe.html>

<http://www.jreap.org/download/howto-e.html>

# Data distribution from <http://www.jreap.org>

**Basic Dataset : up to 500GB in our web server.**  
**Full Dataset : 7 TB and more. Not Available at present**



The screenshot shows a Microsoft Internet Explorer browser window titled "Evaluation Group Registration - Microsoft Internet Explorer". The address bar displays the URL <http://www.jreap.org/cgi-bin/secaccess.cgi?pr=2>. The main content area has a light blue background and contains the following text and form elements:

**Registration to JRA-25 Evaluation Group**

Please fulfill following blanks in English.

Name :

Organization :

E-mail address :

OK

A guidance mail will be sent to the registered address.

The browser's status bar at the bottom indicates "ページが表示されました" (Page displayed) and "インターネット" (Internet).

# Plans

- Comprehensive report of JRA-25
- JCDAS (JMA CDAS)
  - JRA-25 DA cycle will be continued in real time.
- 2nd Japanese reanalysis (JRA-50)
  - Project 2006-2011 (preparation period inclusive)
  - Reanalysis 1958-2010
  - Supercomputer JMA in house
    - HITACHI SR11000 (27.5 Tflops)
  - TL319L60 (top 0.1hPa)
  - 4DVAR
  - Semi-Lagrangian scheme
  - Improved physics
    - Radiation, Gravity wave, boundary layer, .....
  - Improved land surface

# Appreciation to ECMWF

- ERA-40 observation data were made available to JMA.
  - Conventional (NCEP/NCAR data merged)
  - TOVS/ATOVS level 1c
  - METEOSAT reprocessed AMV
  - Blacklists for ERA-40
  - VTPR (to be used in future)

# For reanalysis activities

- International collaboration essential
  - Observational data available each other
  - Experiences of problems should be informed each other
  - Products should be opened.

**Thank you.**