

Wintertime Surface Air Temperature Modes

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Understand the leading interannual variability modes of surface air temperature during boreal winter

NH surface(T2m) warming trend in winter



Wintertime surface air temperature modes

T2m EOF [DJF] 1986-2017



Warm Arctic (near Greenland) Cold North Eurasia & South Eastern North America

Temperature Anomalies Dec-Feb 2010

Warm Arctic (near Bering Sea) Cold Canada & Northern US

Warm Arctic (near B-K Sea) Cold Europe & Asia

Simultaneous correlation with climate indices



EOF1 [DJF]

Climate indices [DJF]	Correlation with PC1
EA (East Asia)	-0.33*
SK (South Korea)	-0.38**
AO	-0.87**
B-K sea	-0.26
C-B sea	0.02
NAO	-0.80**
SCAND	0.63**
EA/WR	-0.38**
PNA	0.13
PDO	-0.28
NINO1+2	0.03
NINO3.4	0.09
QBO	-0.18

EOF2 [DJF]

Climate indices [DJF]	Correlation with PC2
EA (East Asia)	-0.19
SK (South Korea)	-0.18
AO	0.05
B-K sea	-0.13
C-B sea	0.41**
NAO	0.09
SCAND	0.21
EA/WR	-0.23
PNA	-0.49**
PDO	-0.28
NINO1+2	-0.42**
NINO3.4	-0.24
QBO	-0.06

EOF3 [DJF]

Climate indices [DJF]	Correlation with PC3
EA (East Asia)	-0.67**
SK (South Korea)	-0.44**
AO	-0.00
B-K sea	0.53**
C-B sea	-0.28
NAO	0.13
SCAND	0.35*
EA/WR	-0.20
PNA	-0.08
PDO	-0.28
NINO1+2	-0.20
NINO3.4	-0.15
QBO	-0.2

Relationship with winter temperature over EA and South Korea

Climate indices	PC1	PC2	PC3
EA [DJF] (East Asia)	-0.33*	-0.19	-0.67**
EA [DJ] (East Asia)	-0.43**	-0.08	-0.46**
EA [F] (East Asia)	-0.09	-0.24	-0.64**
SK [DJF] (South Korea)	-0.38**	-0.18	-0.44**
SK [DJ] (South Korea)	-0.51**	-0.16	-0.20
SK [F] (South Korea)	-0.04	-0.13	-0.58**

Correlation map associated with SK index [DJF]





Yellow Domain: EA (East Asia)

Understand the major teleconnection patterns that contribute to recent severe winter temperature in the NH (source of seasonal predictability)

Seasonal predictability of PC1 mode



Seasonal predictability of PC1 mode

Regression Map



Snow cover





Seasonal predictability of PC1 mode

ON





Seasonal predictability of PC2 mode

Regression Map



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Seasonal predictability of PC3 mode

Regression Map



JF

Z50



Seasonal predictability of PC3 mode



Ural blocking circulation intensify sea ice reduction in B-K sea

Sea ice loss over B-K sea enhances tropospheric wavenumber-1 and -2 field, thus increasing upward wave propagation

Polar Vortex weakens (displacement) and cold Asia occurs in late winter

Part 3

Outlook of 2018/19 winter

EA T2m [DJF] = 0.44 x (K-B sea ice [ON]) + 0.33 x (Eurasian snow cover [SON])

EA T2m	[DJF]	[105E-135E, 25N-60N]
K-B sea ice	[ON]	[45E-130E, 70N-85N]
Eurasian snow cover	[SON]	[30E-70E, 50N-60N]

Model Performance

CORR = 0.46GMSS = 0.37

Correlation between index and predictors

Corr(K-B sic, Eura snow) = -0.02Corr(K-B sic, EA T2m) = 0.44Corr(Eura snow, EA T2m) = 0.32

Intensity	2018 Prediction
-1.48	Below Normal

Thank You for your attention

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Winter 2018 Outlook



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Snow Cover Oct

Temperature Anomalies Dec-Feb 2012

(with respect to a 1971-2000 base period) National Climatic Data Center/NESDIS/NOAA



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