



# **Seasonal Outlook of the East Asian Winter Monsoon 2013/14**

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# **Structure of this presentation**

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( EAWM - index )**

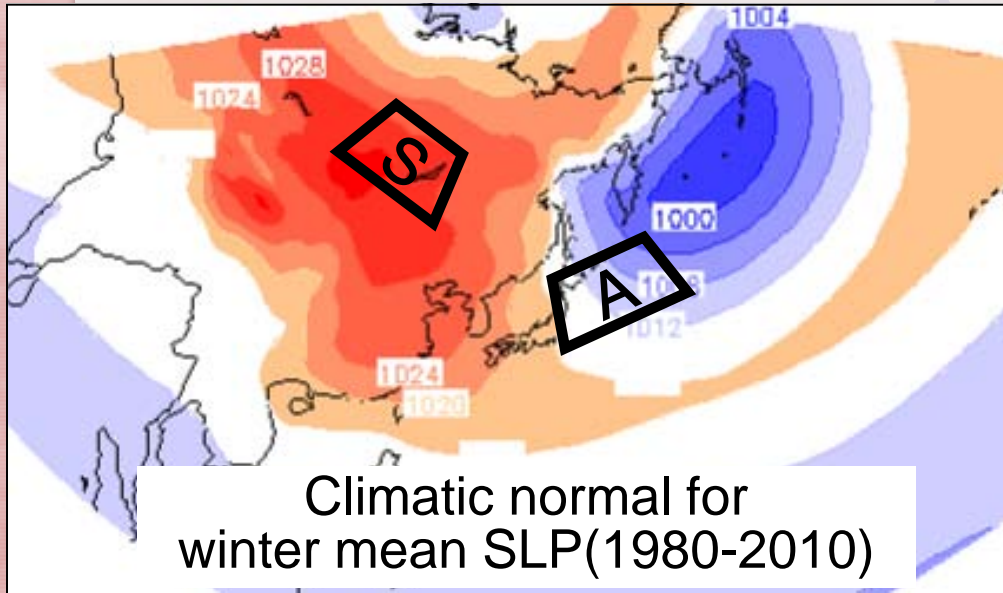
**Part II Current condition**

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**Part I Interannual variability  
of East Asian Winter Monsoon  
( EAWM )**



# Interannual variability of EAWM



Conveniently we define EAWM-Index as follows,

$$\text{EAWM-Index} = \text{SLP(S)} - \text{SLP(A)}$$

where

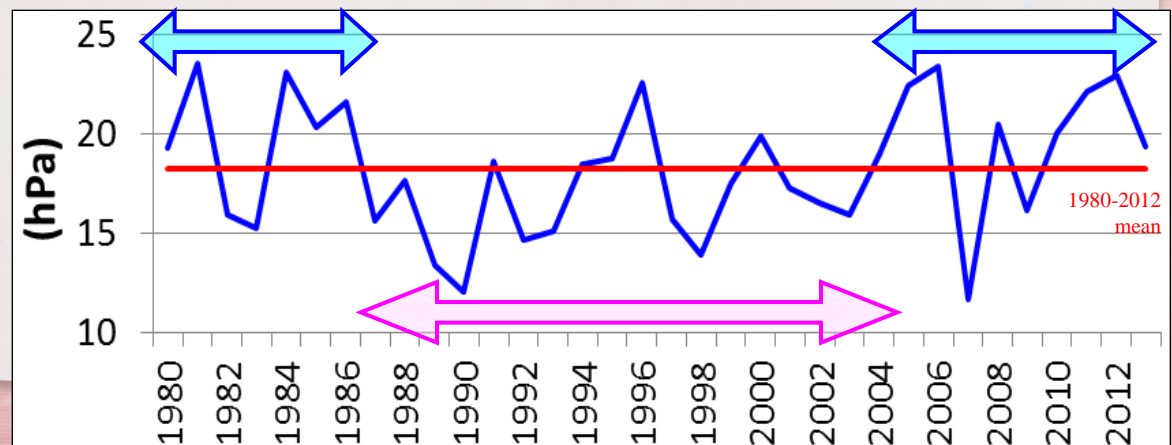
area S : 50-60N, 90-110E

area A : 35-45N, 140-160E

term

Dec.-Feb. mean

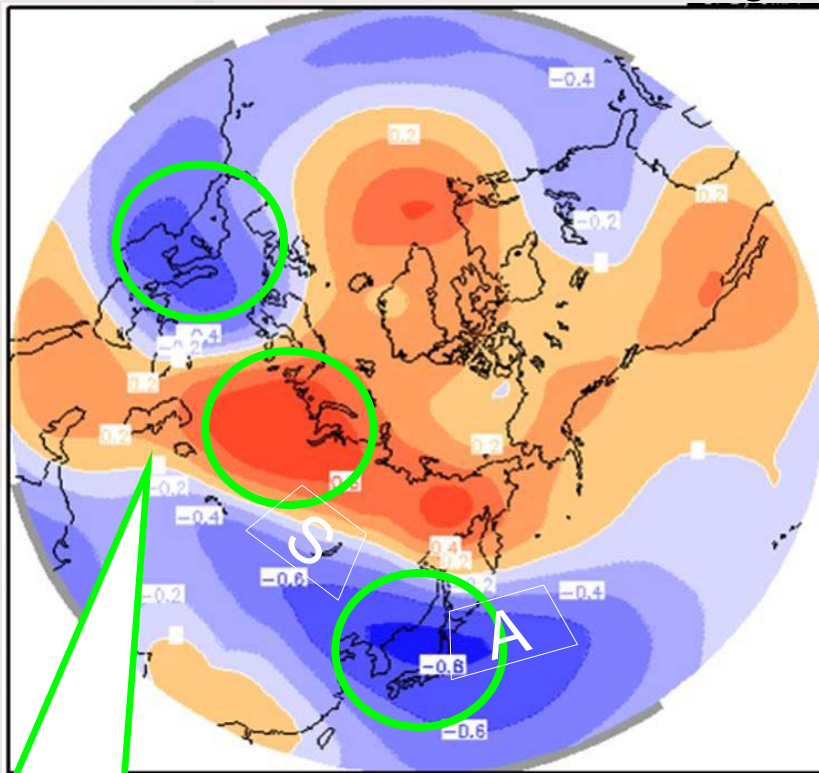
## Interannual variation of EAWM-Index



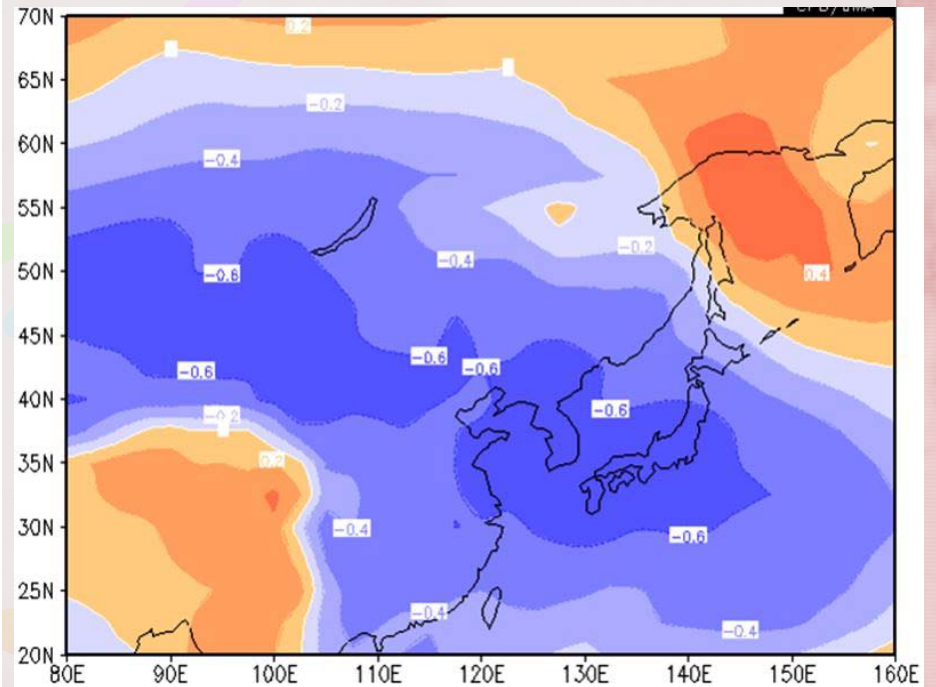
# Relationship between EAWM and EU-pattern

correlation coefficients between ...

EAWM-Index and 500hPa height



EAWM-Index and 850hPa temperature



EU

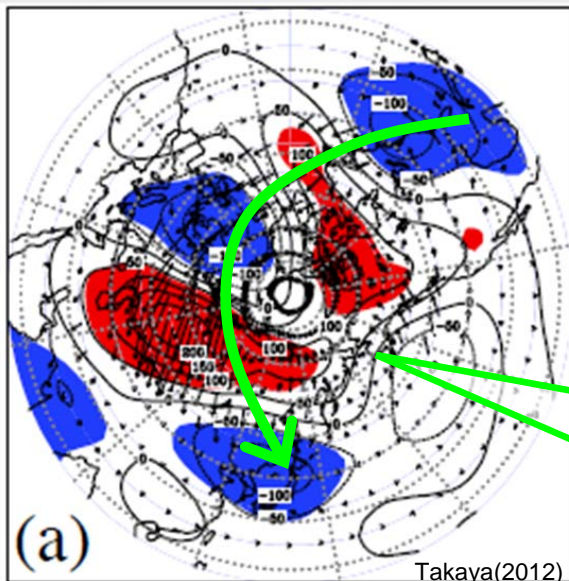
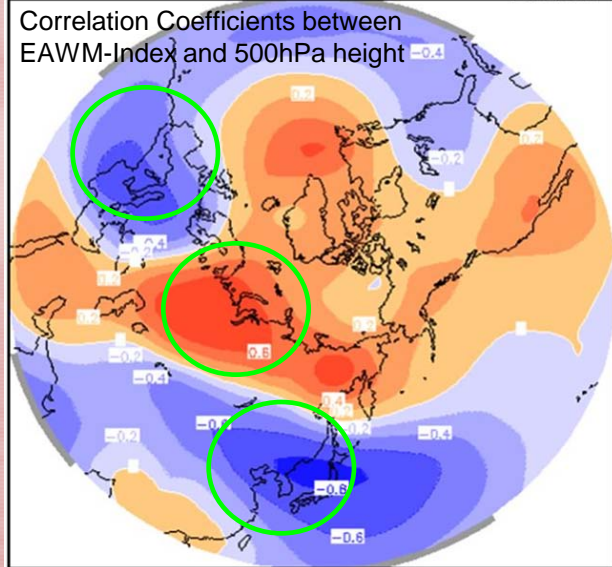
teleconnection  
pattern



Period: 1979-2012



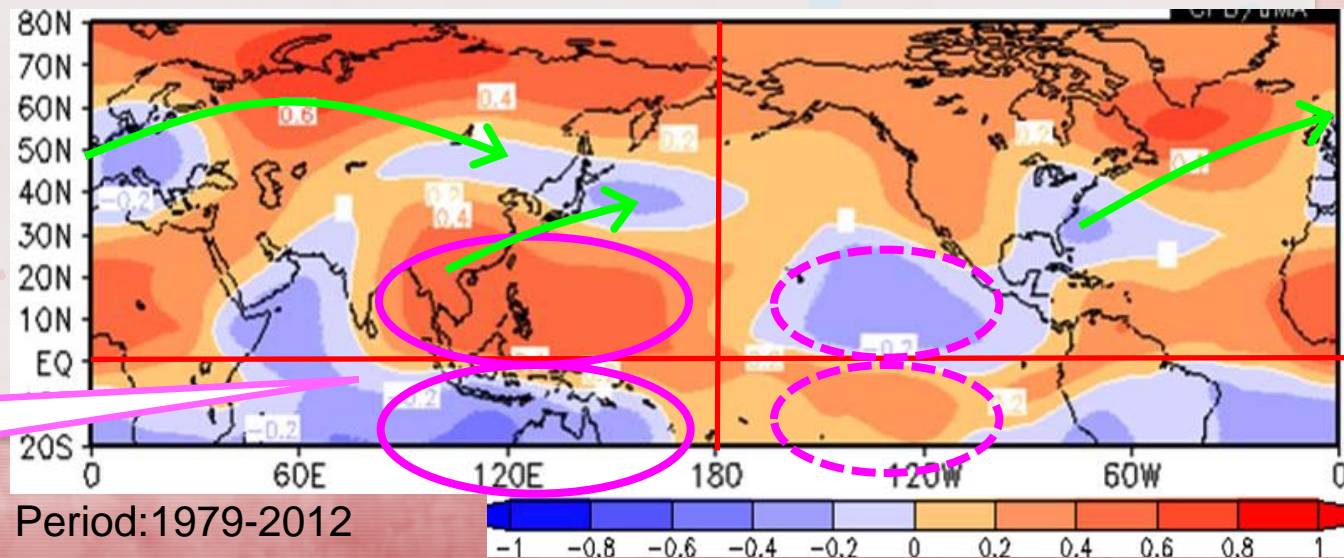
# Relationship between EAWM and tropics



Similar result to the research by Takaya(2012). The source of wave train to EU pattern is located at southeastern North America

**Propagation of stationary Rossby wave**

correlation coefficients between EAWM-Index and 200hPa stream function



**Matsuno-Gill Pattern**



# Summary of interannual variability of EAWM

- There seems to be a decadal variation in interannual variability of East Asian Winter Monsoon.
- For recent years, the phase of decadal variation shows a strong EAWM.
- The interannual variability of EAWM relates to EU teleconnection pattern.
- The EU pattern is basically considered as an internal mode of atmosphere, but it is possible that the subtropical convection is concerned with the exciting of Rossby wave source.



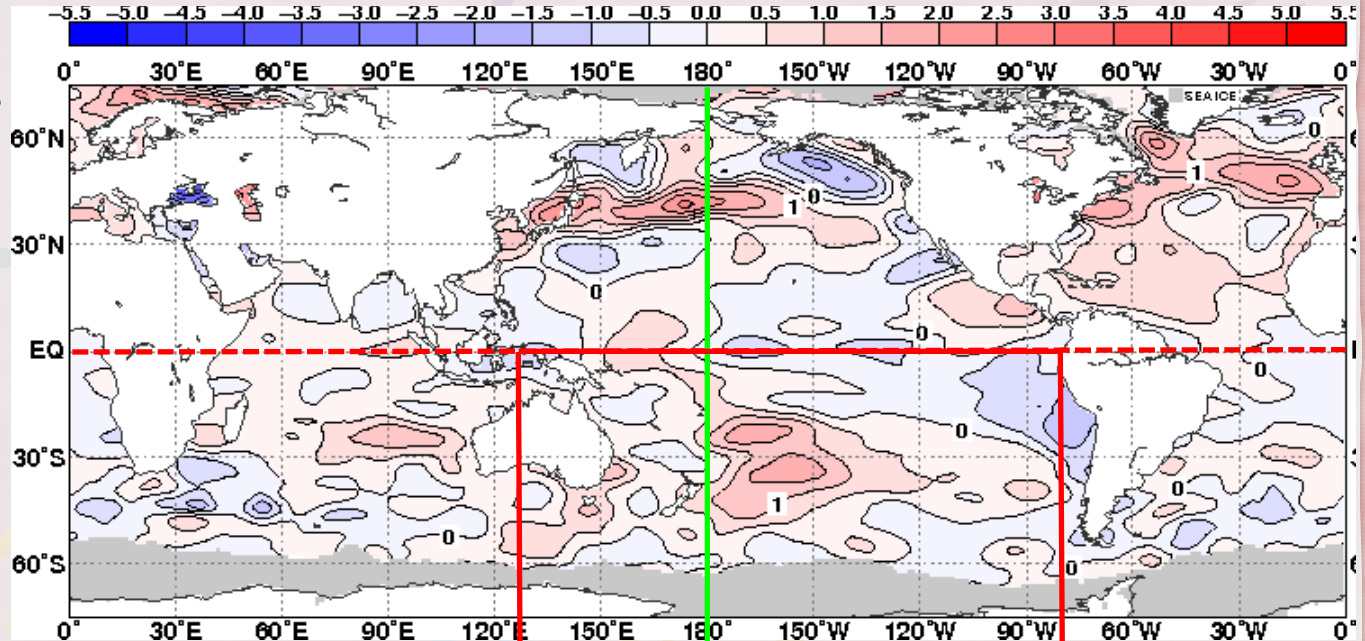


# Part II Current conditions

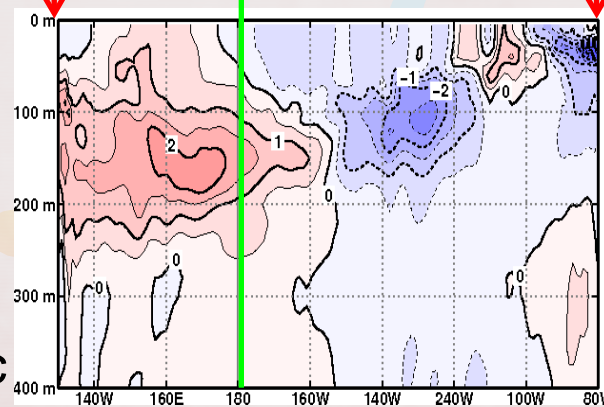


# Oceanic conditions in Mid-October

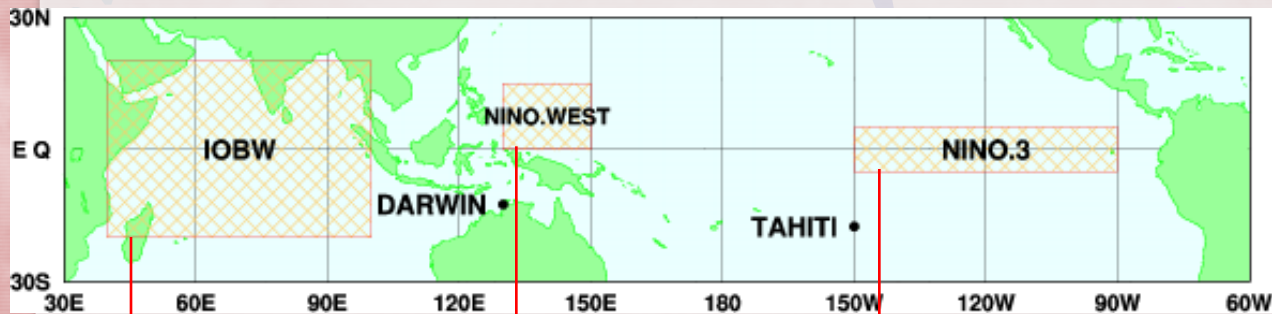
SST anomalies



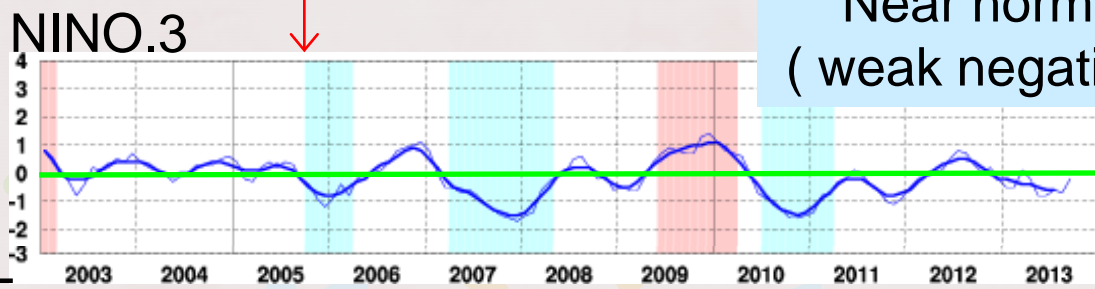
Sub-surface sea temperature anomalies in the equatorial Pacific



# Time series of El-nino/La-nina Monitoring Indices

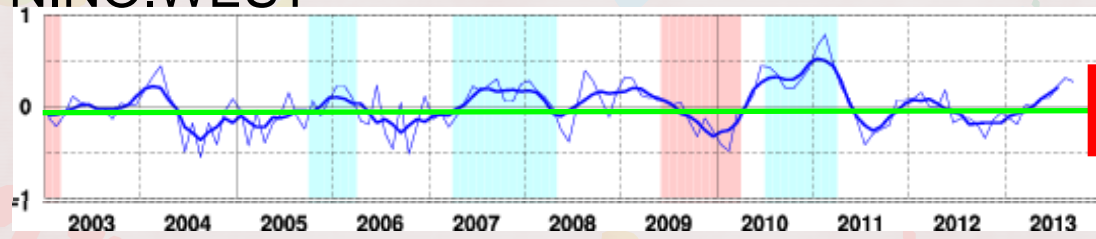


Near normal  
( weak negative )



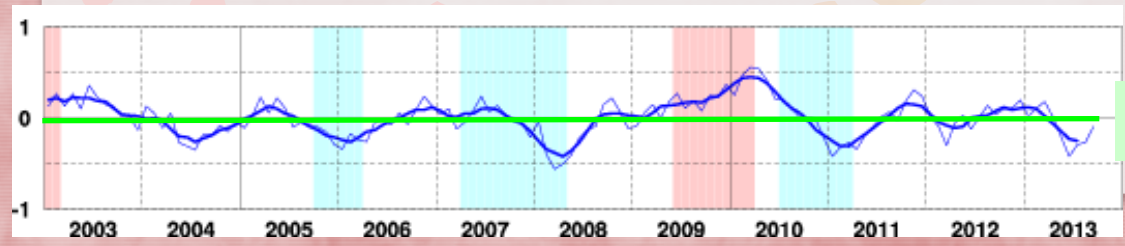
NINO.WEST

Positive anomaly



IOBW : Indian Ocean basin-wide

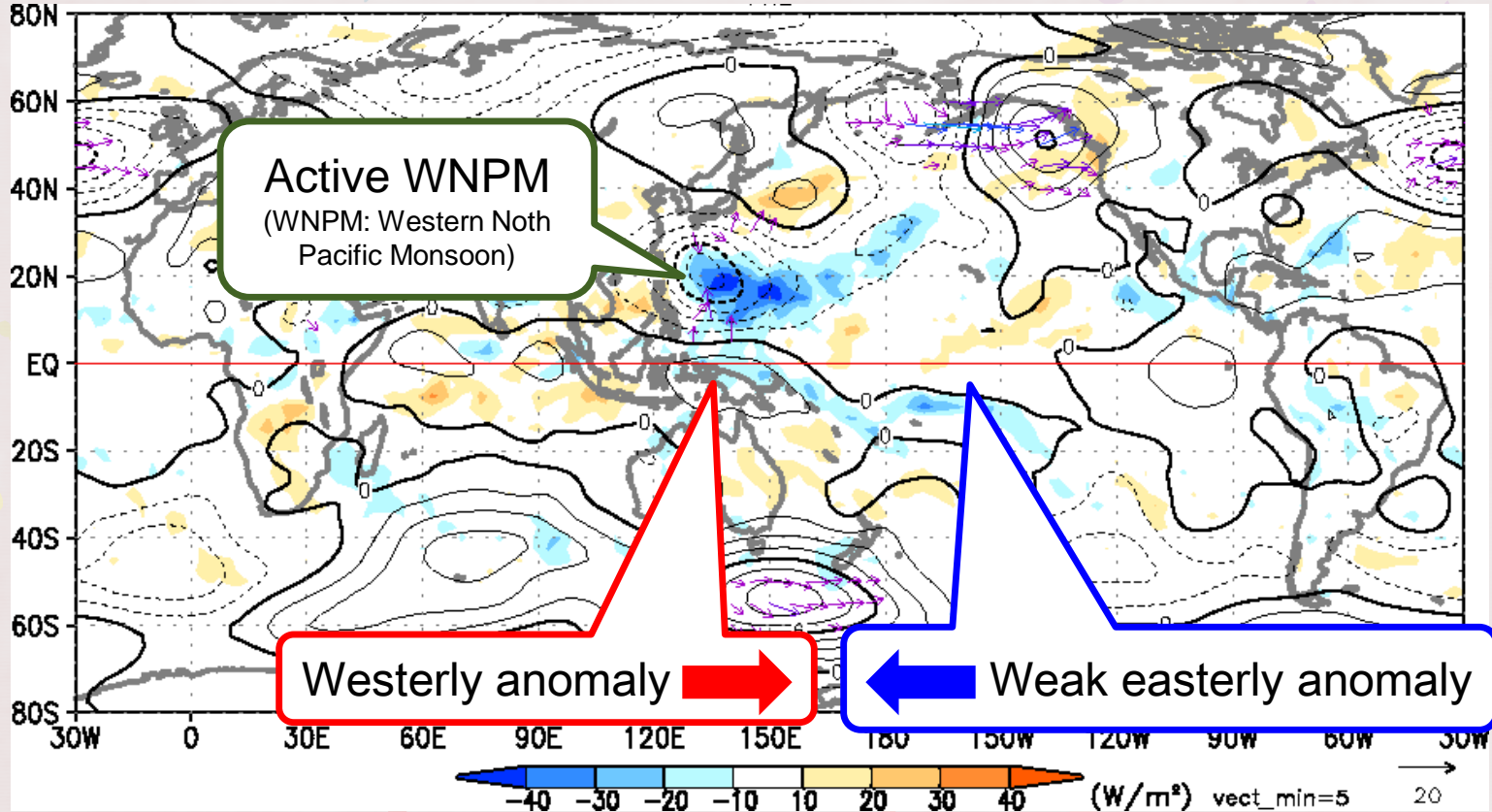
Near normal



# Atmospheric conditions in October

Color shade : OLR anomalies

Contour : 850hPa stream function anomalies







# Summary of current conditions

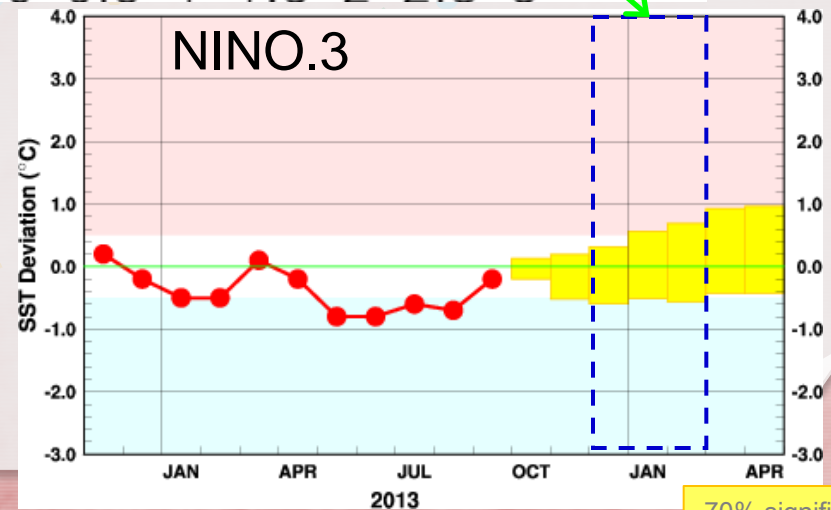
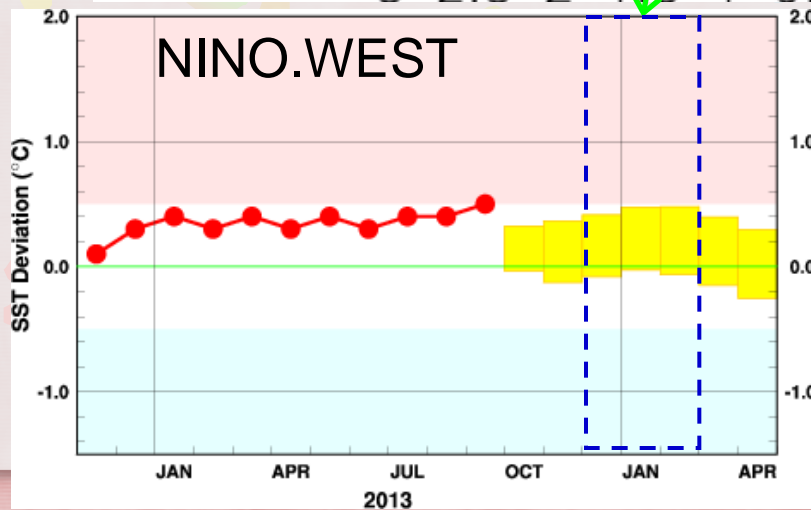
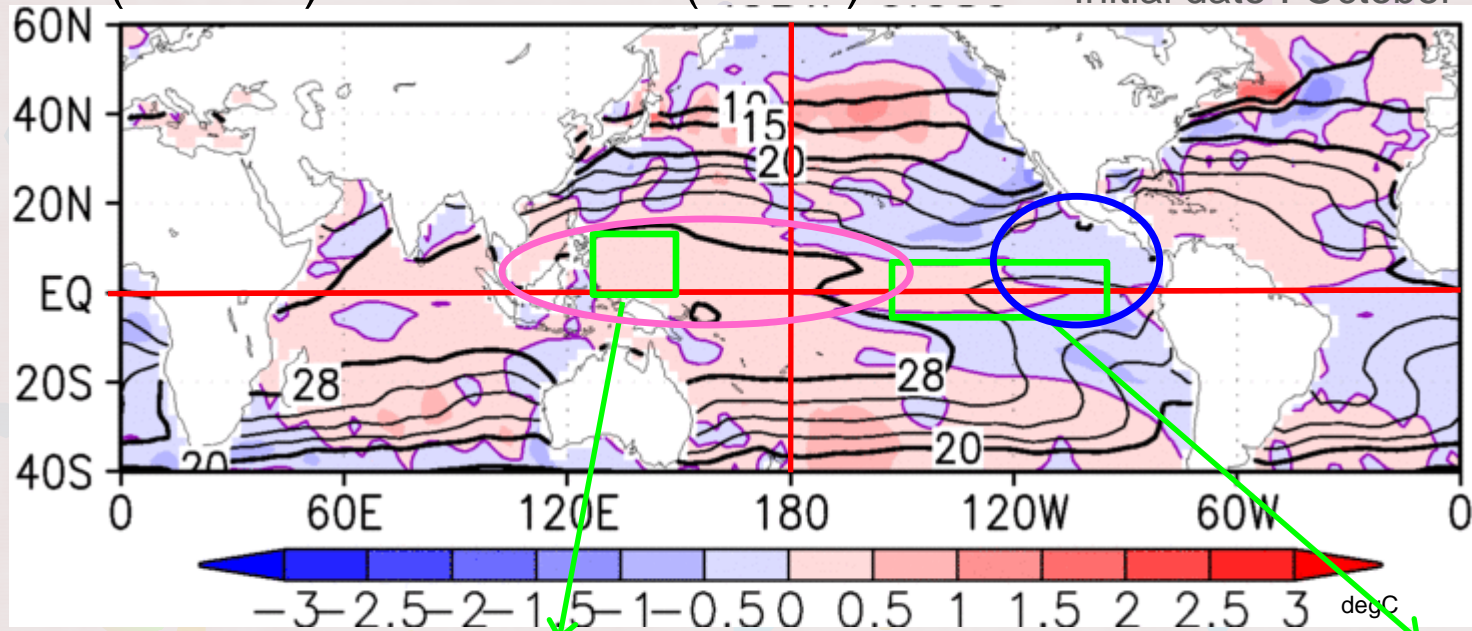
- SST and sub-surface sea temperature anomalies along the equator are positive in the western Pacific, and weak negative in the eastern Pacific.
- WNPM is active. Westerly anomalies are observed in the maritime continent, weak easterly anomalies are observed in the central Pacific.
- In conclusion, the ENSO-neutral continues.
- Meanwhile, NINO.WEST positive anomaly in the western Pacific is a remarkable point.

# **Part III Numerical prediction**

# DJF Prediction --oceanic conditions--

SST(contour) and anomalies(shade)

Initial date : October

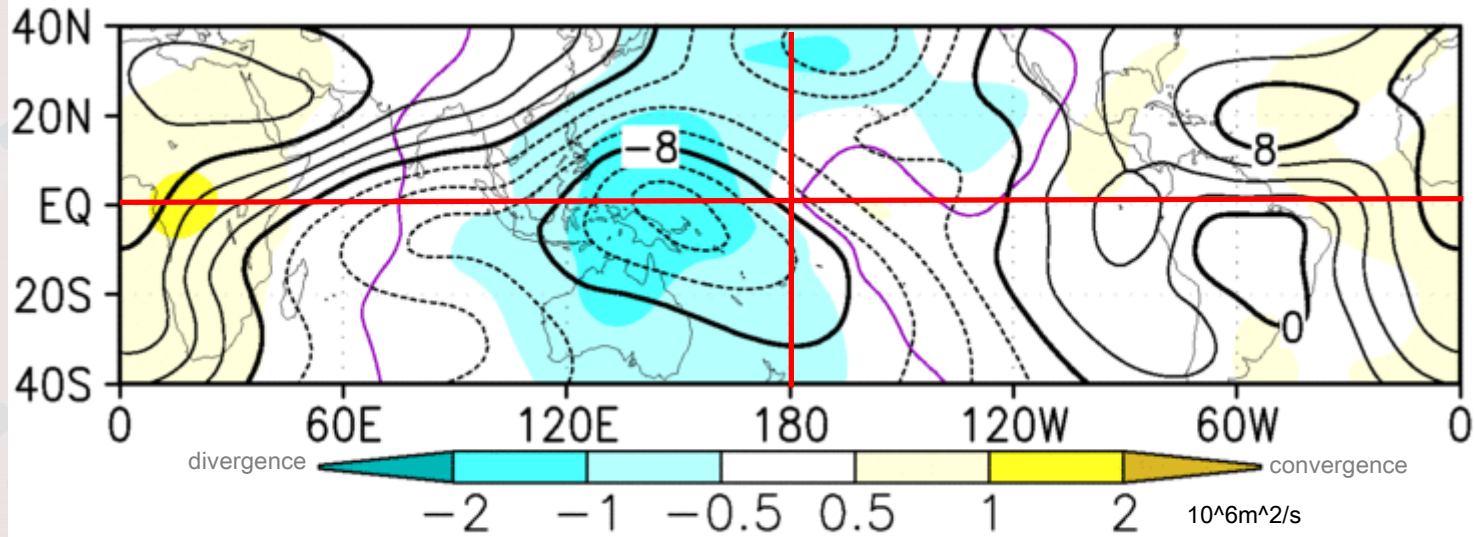


70% significant

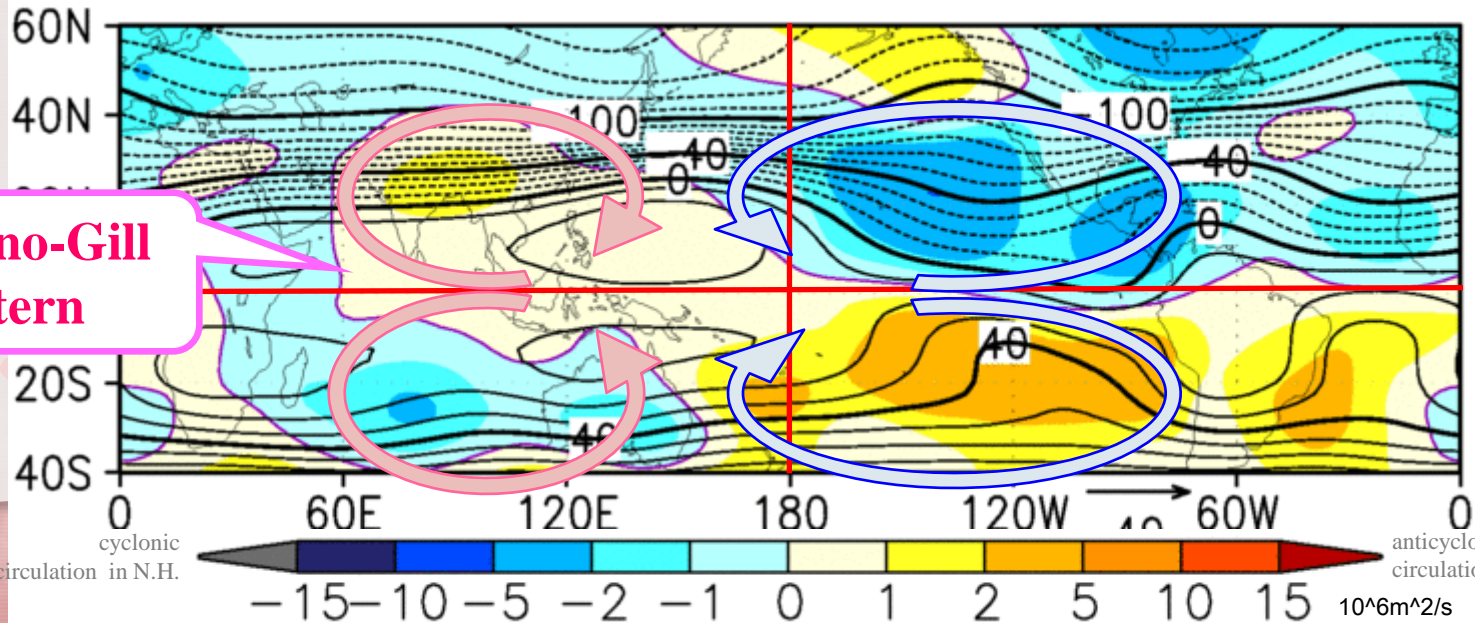


# DJF Prediction --sub-tropical circulation(1)--

200hPa velocity potential and anomalies



200hPa stream function and anomalies



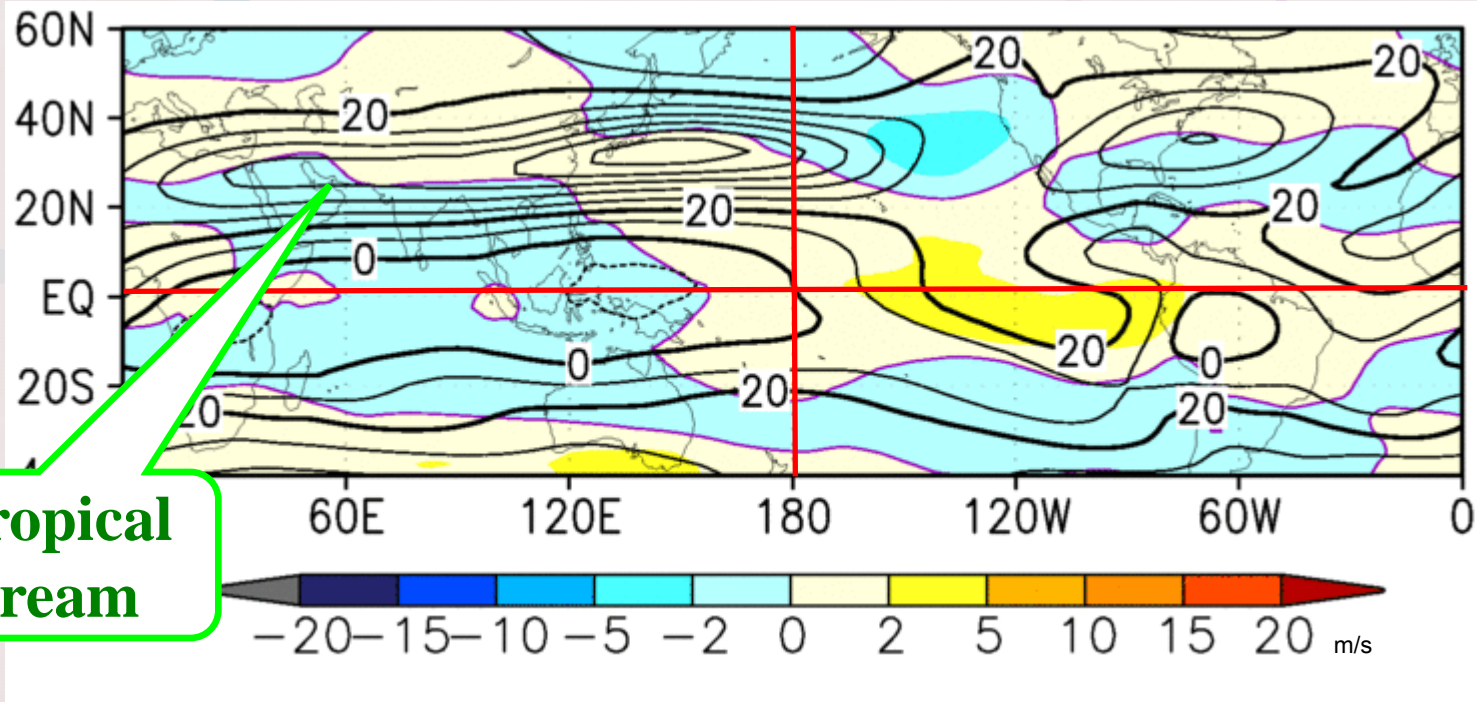
**Matsuno-Gill  
Pattern**

cyclonic  
circulation in N.H.

anticyclonic  
circulation in N.H.

# DJF Prediction --sub-tropical circulation(2)--

200hPa U and anomalies

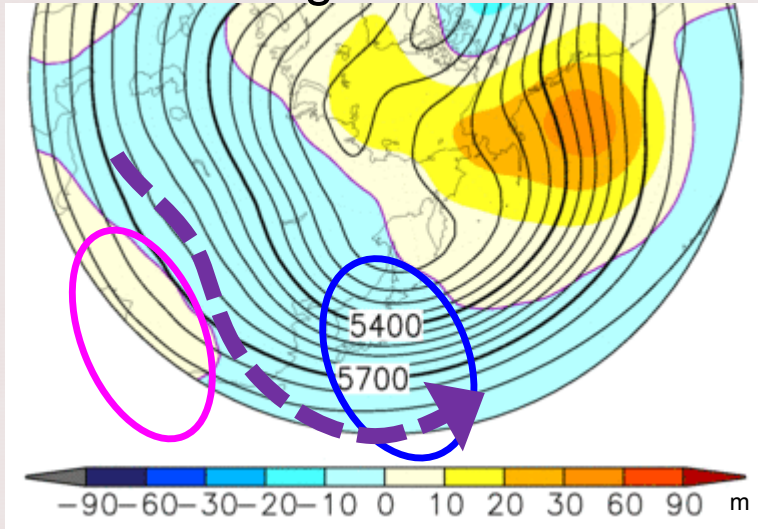


**Sub-tropical  
jet stream**

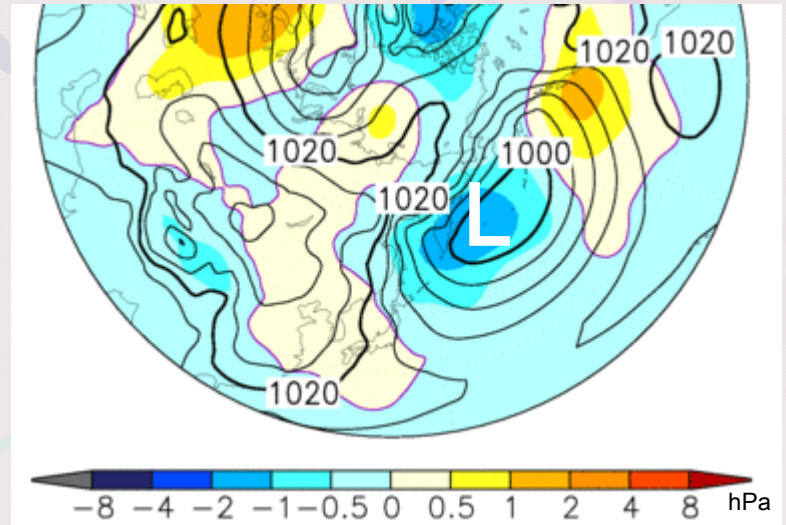


# DJF Prediction --East Asian circulation --

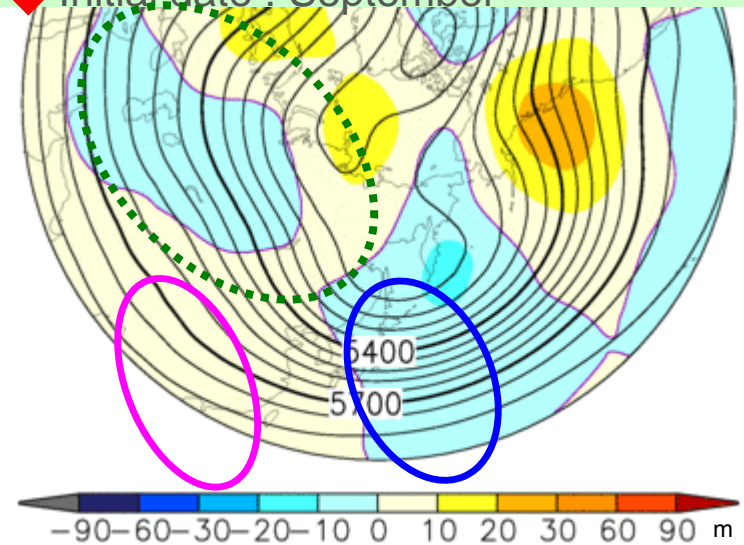
## 500hPa height and anomalies



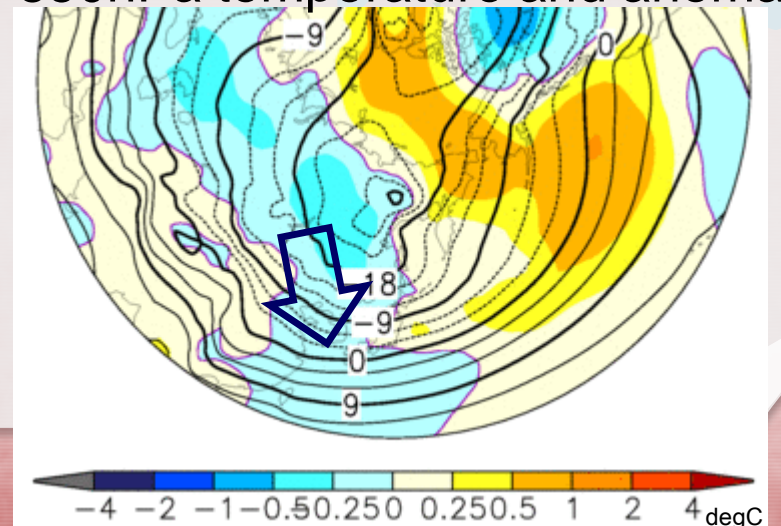
## SLP and anomalies



Initial date : September



## 850hPa temperature and anomalies





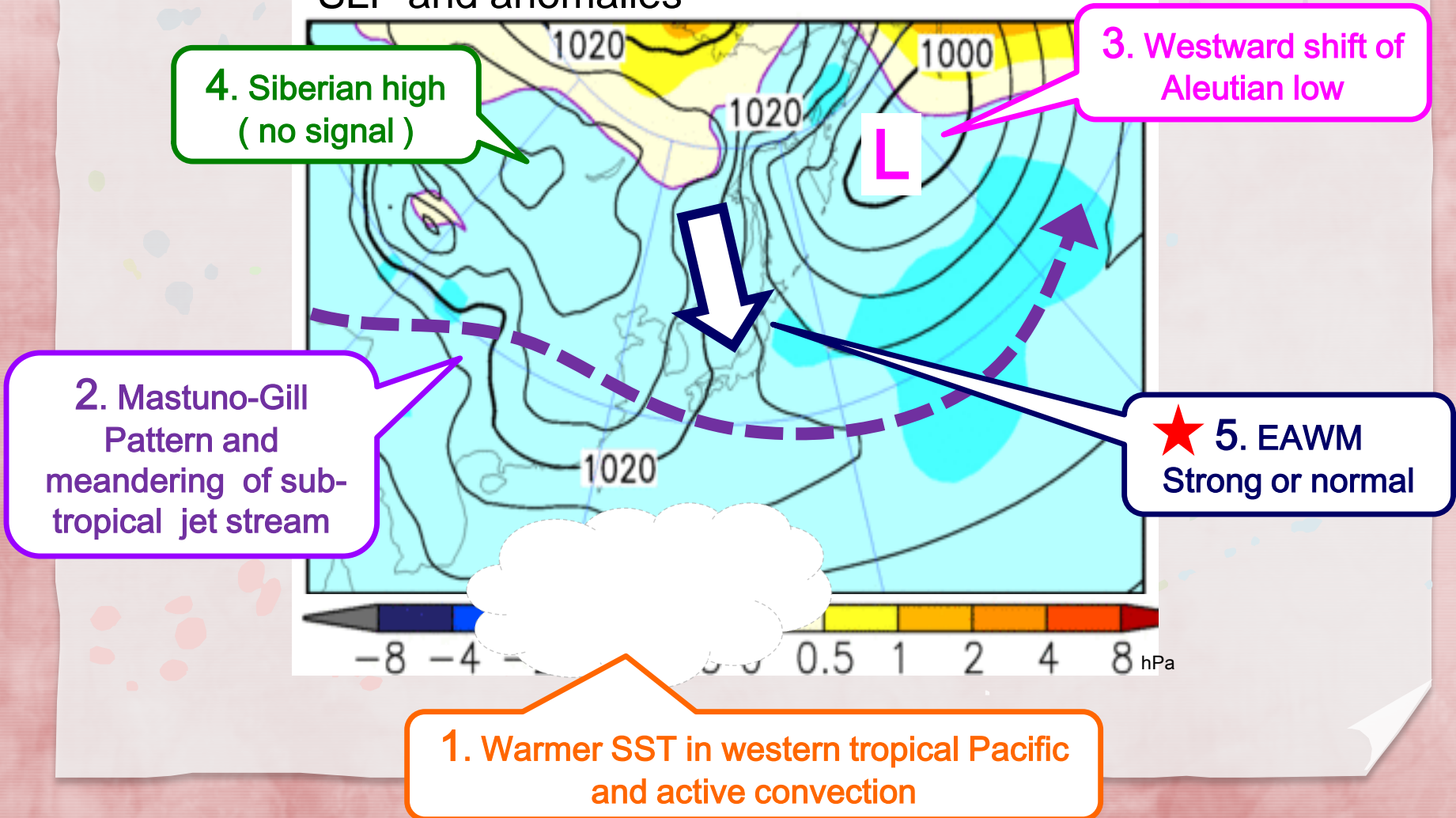


# Summary of numerical prediction and its interpretation

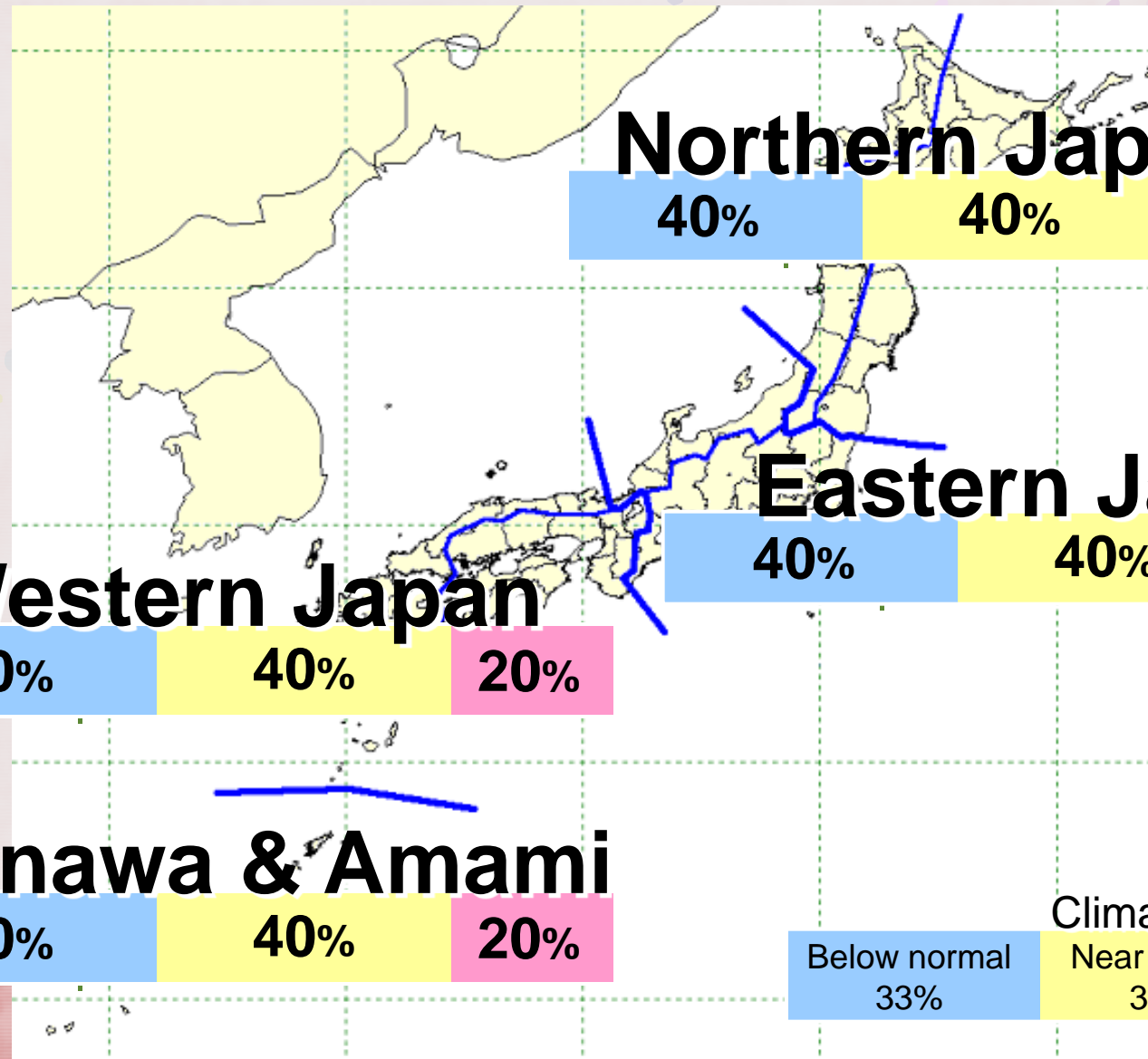
- ENSO neutral condition will continue during this winter.
- The key point is the warmer SST in western tropical Pacific.
- The meandering sub-tropical jet will shift the Aleutian low westward.
- There is no apparent signal in terms of the Siberian high.
- As a result, East Asian Winter Monsoon is expected to be stronger than normal or near normal.

# Schematic chart of East Asian circulation in DJF

SLP and anomalies



# Probability forecast of temperature for winter 2013/2014 in Japan



## Northern Japan

40%

40%

20%

## Eastern Japan

40%

40%

20%

## Western Japan

40%

40%

20%

## Okinawa & Amami

40%

40%

20%

### Climatology

Below normal  
33%

Near normal  
33%

Above normal  
33%



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*Thank you*

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