# Overview of newly developed technologies

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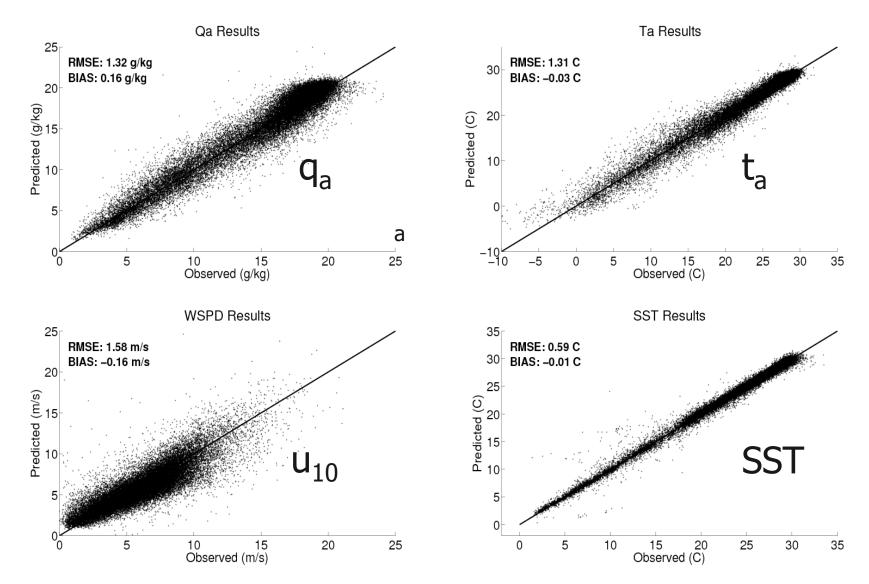




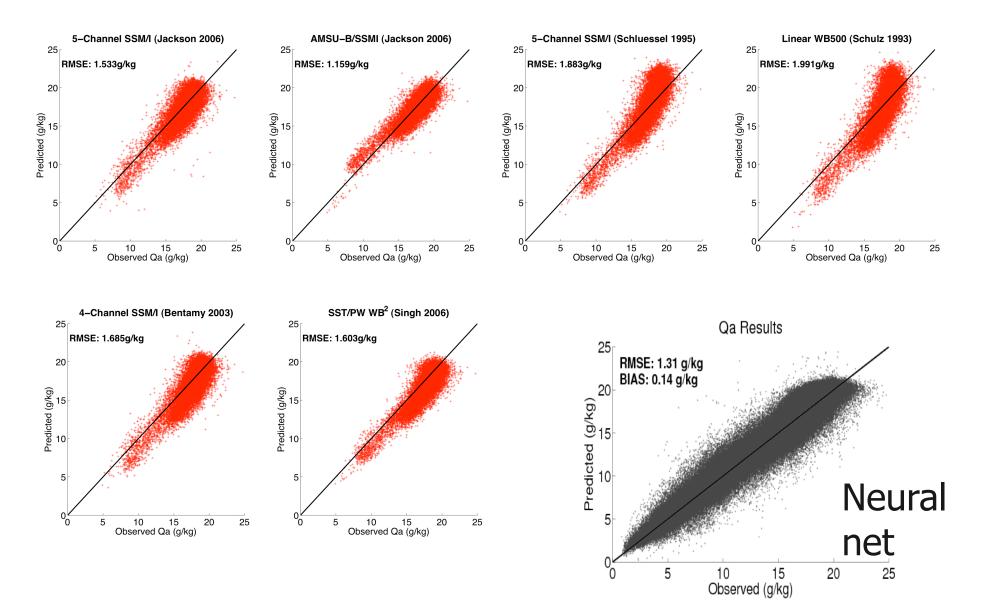
### **Recent developments**

- For turbulent fluxes:
  - Increased use of neural net methods
  - Increased use of multiple satellites for increased quality of retrievals, improved time/space resolution
  - Both have led to improved retrievals in near-surface specific humidity and air temperature
- For radiative fluxes:
  - Quality is high, long time record

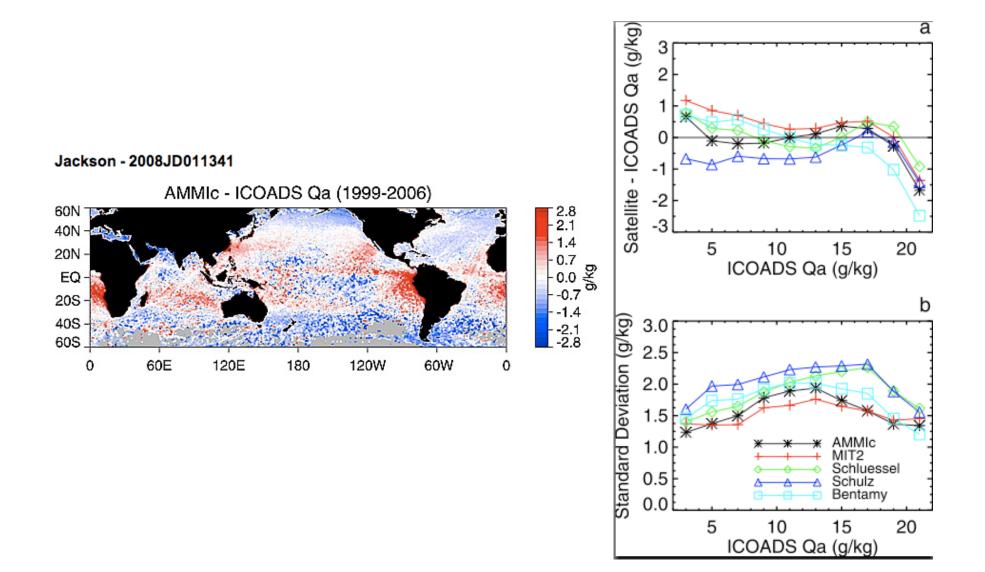
## Neural Network Improvements Roberts et al. 2010



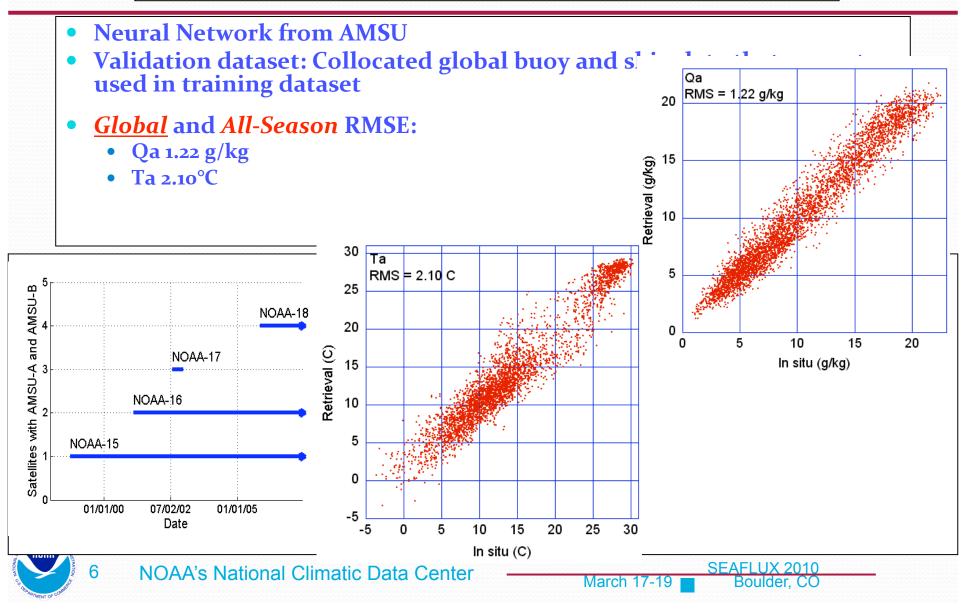
### Retrievals of q<sub>a</sub>



## Jackson et al. 2009 multiple sensors



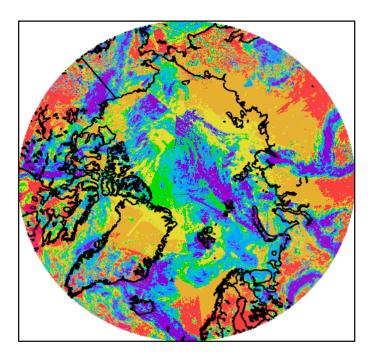
#### NCDC Ta & Qa Retrievals: Validation



### Radiative fluxes

- •There is a need in high resolution information on radiative fluxes at high latitudes that responds to changes in surface conditions.
- •Such information can be obtained from satellite observations such as MODIS.
- •Multiple overpasses from this polar orbiting satellite allow to represent the diurnal cycle.

SW radiative fluxes at 5-km form Terra using 28 orbits from overpasses around 10:30 am (Local Time), July 1, 2005)



W/m\*2

700

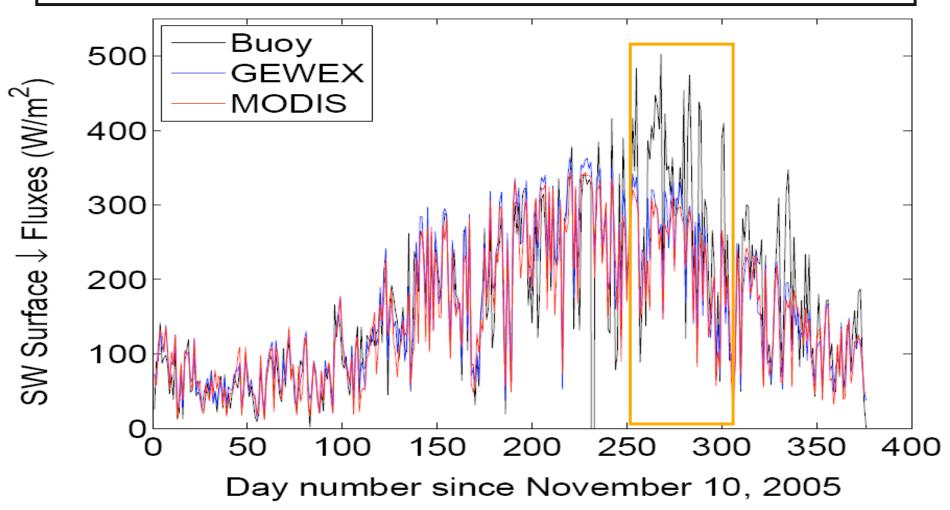
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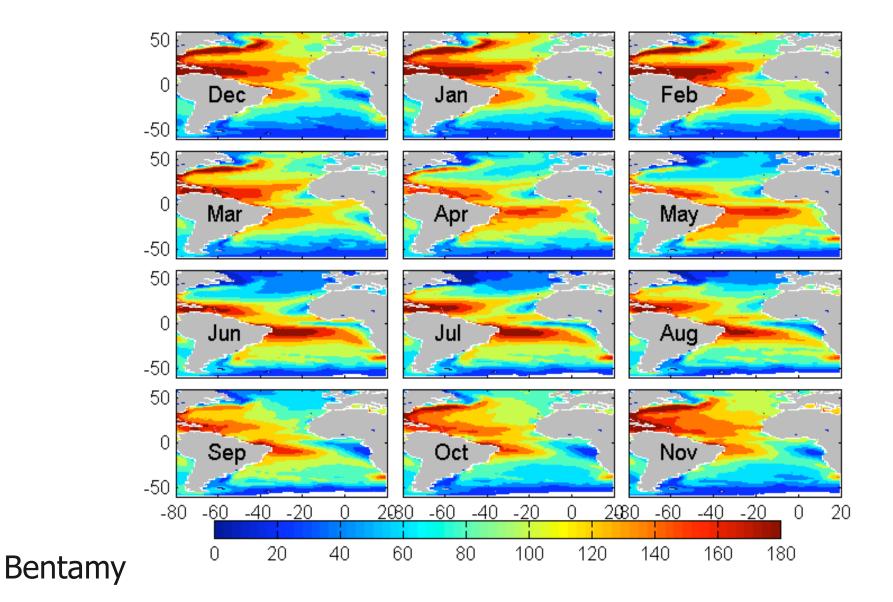
### Evaluations against CLIMODE buoy, Atlantic

Daily averaged values calculated for period of 11/11/2005 – 11/19/2006.

Satellite estimates of radiative fluxes can help in quality control of buoy observations

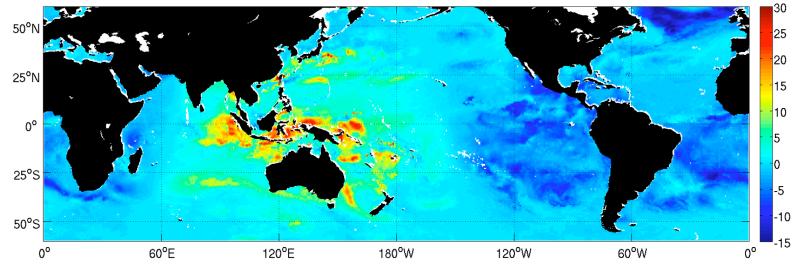


#### IFREMER Monthly Mean of Latent Heat Flux: 1992 - 2008



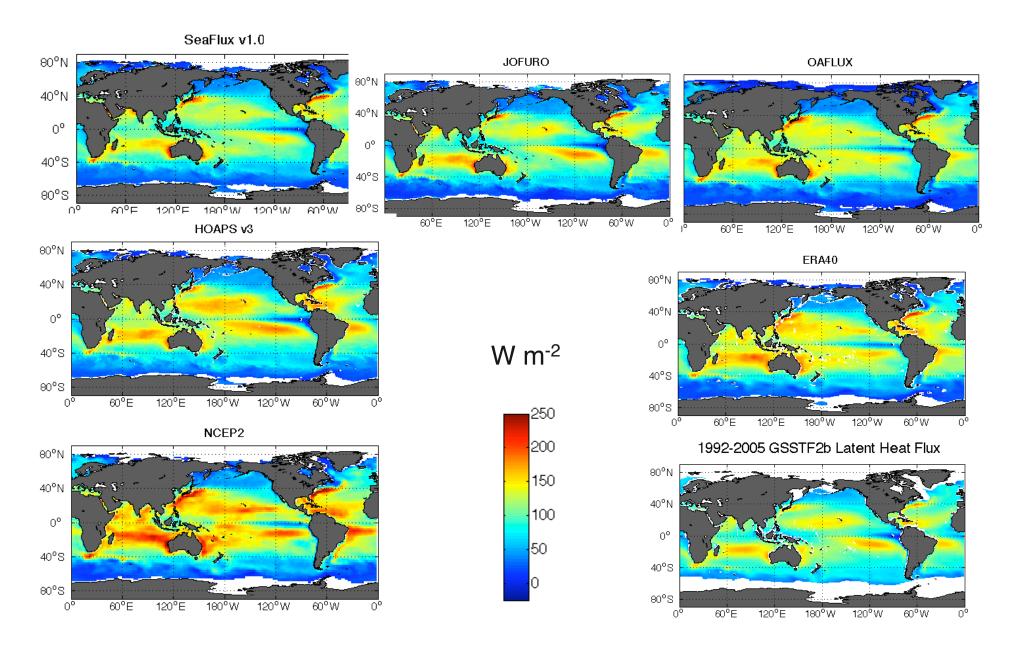
# Sea surface temperature diurnal variability

01/15/1999 06Z, Snapshot Difference, Dsst-Constant Dsst (W/m<sup>2</sup>)

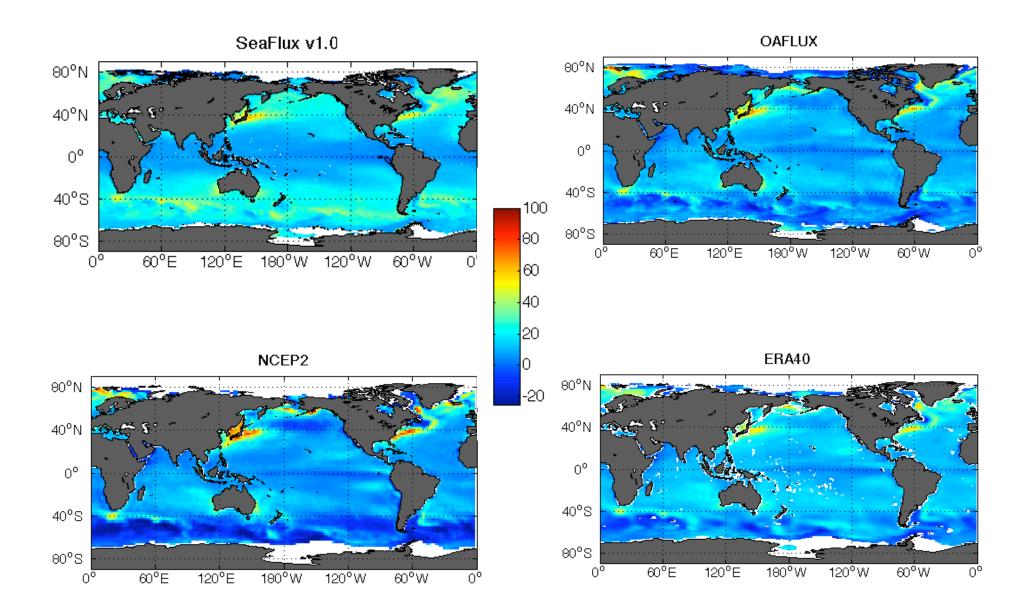


- Have not yet done an analysis of importance of sub-daily variability in winds, air temperature and humidity on mean fluxes
- Clear that more observations at varied times of the day will provide better mean fluxes

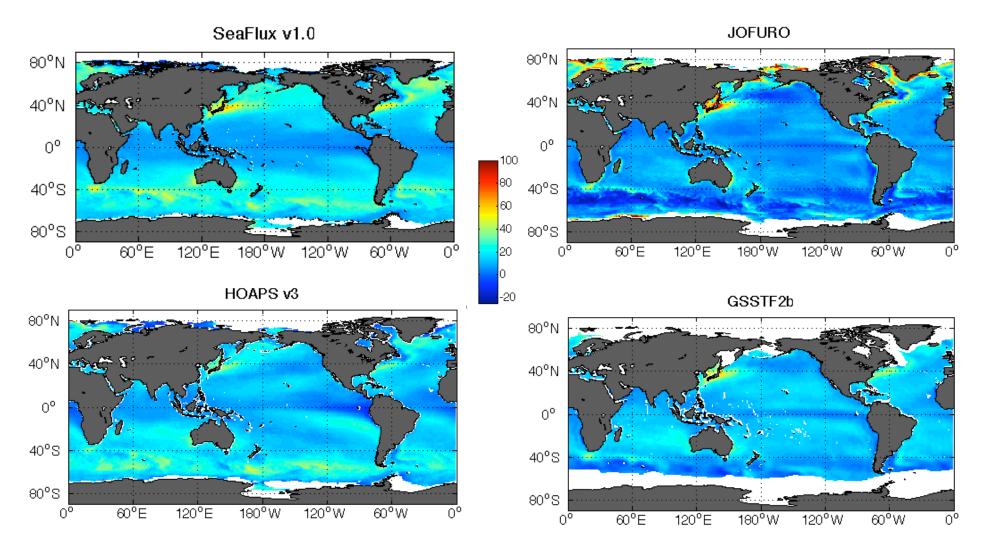
## Latent Heat Flux: 1999-2005



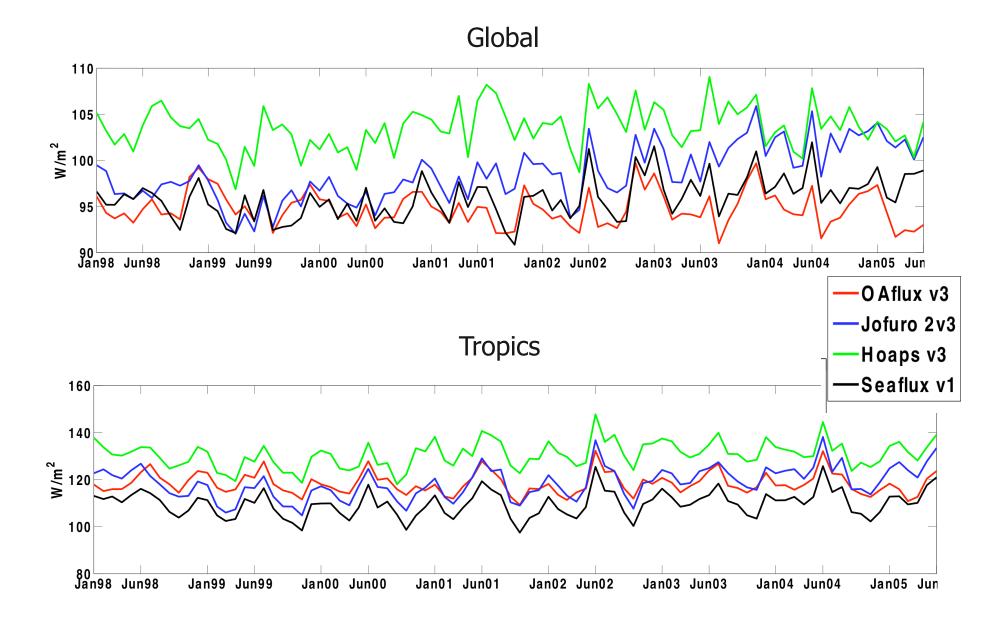
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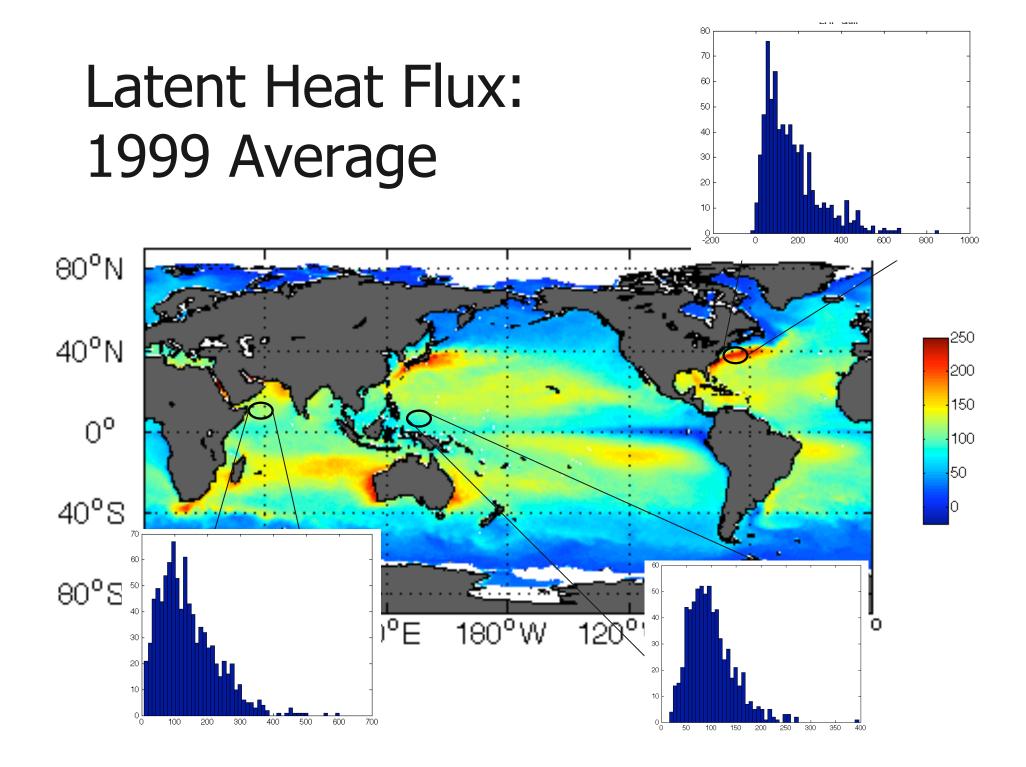


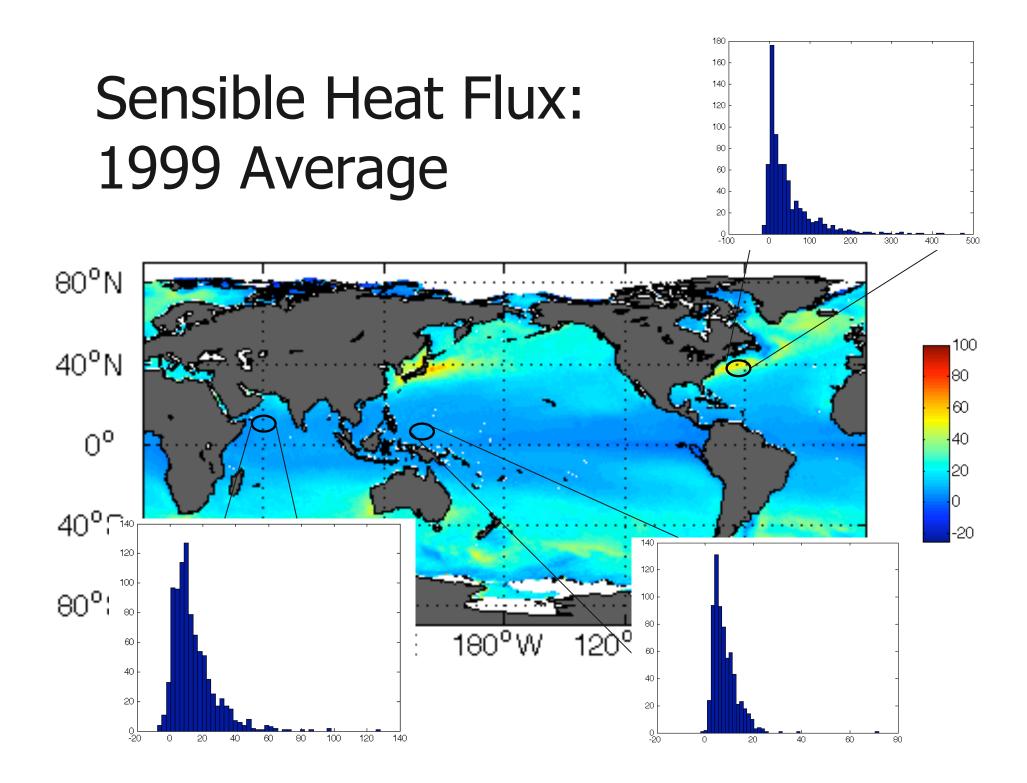
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## Trends in LH Flux

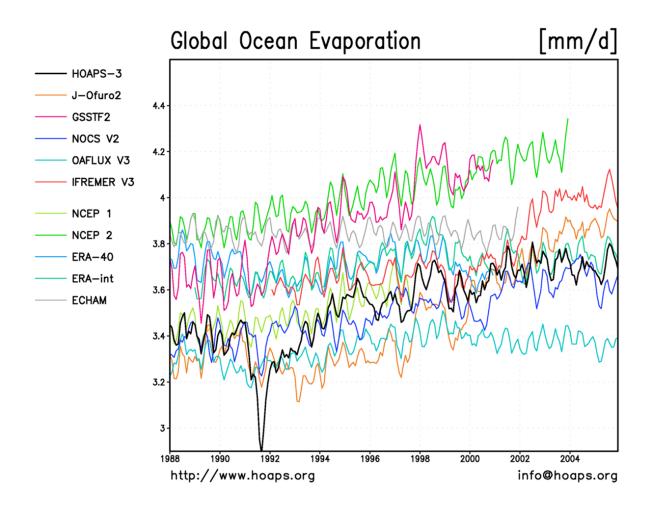




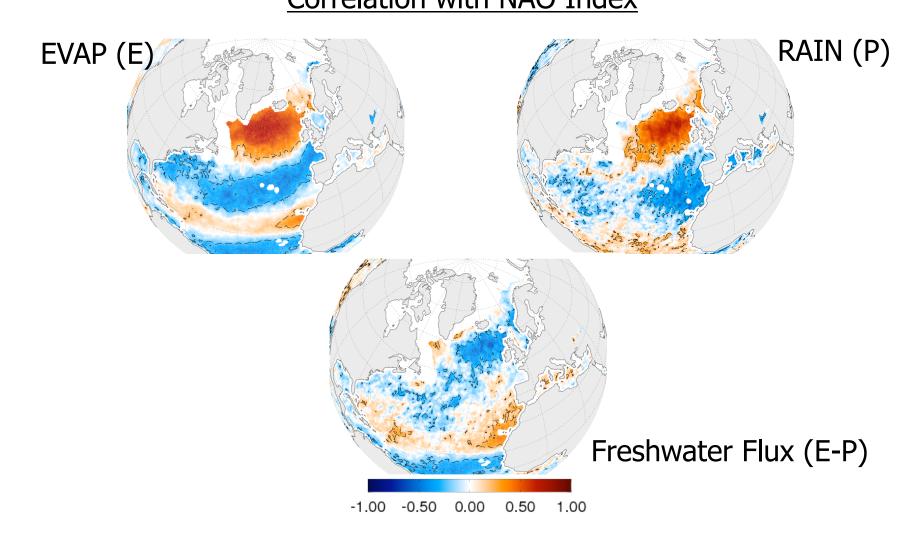


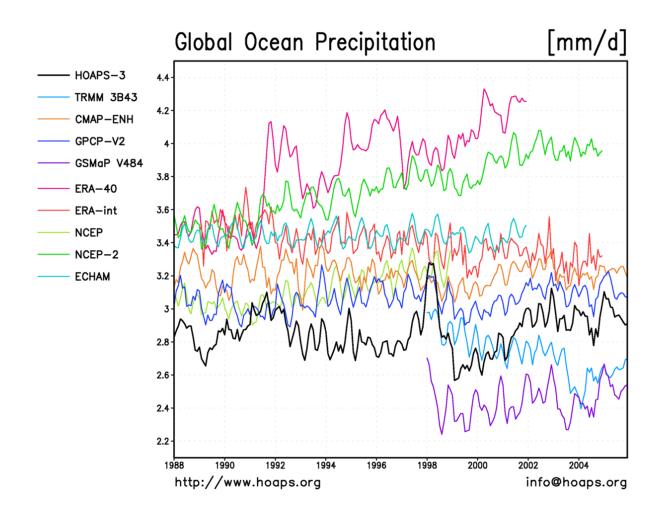
## Issues that we need to address

- Trends in latent heat flux (evaporation) are different between the various datasets: what is the source of this
- How best to combine multiple satellites and still retain (or improve) statistics (trends, variability)
- How to grid/interpolate?
- We've found issues with some products regionally, so although global statistics are good, we don't know what is happening in high latitudes with low air temperatures, specific humidities, cloud characteristics
- No one is touching ice fluxes
- More analysis of currently existing data that isn't being used



### HOAPS Freshwater Flux Variability Correlation with NAO Index





## We need:

- Further measurements of near-surface properties in high latitudes
- Collaboration with modelers: which of these remaining differences really matter? What time/space scales make a difference to the modeling?

