



Part I. Review for Tropical Cyclone Climate

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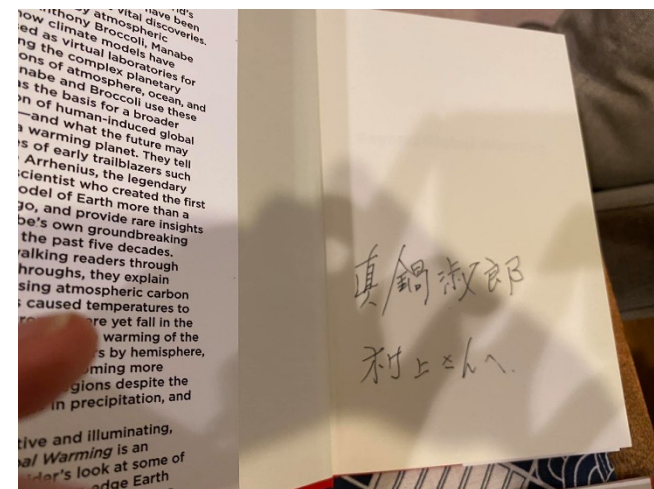
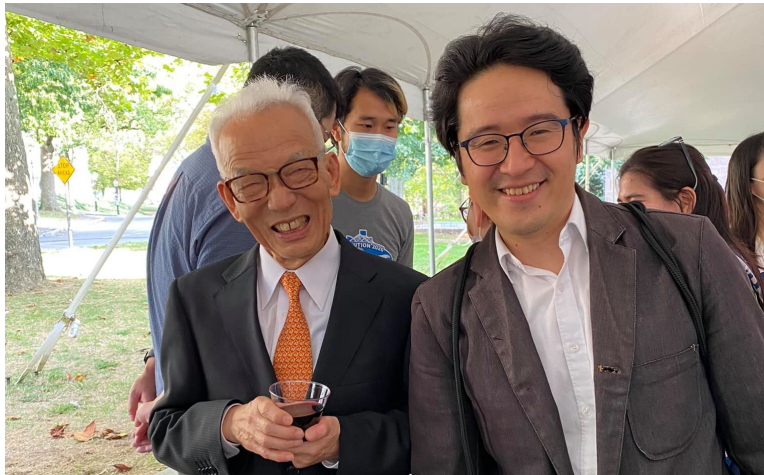
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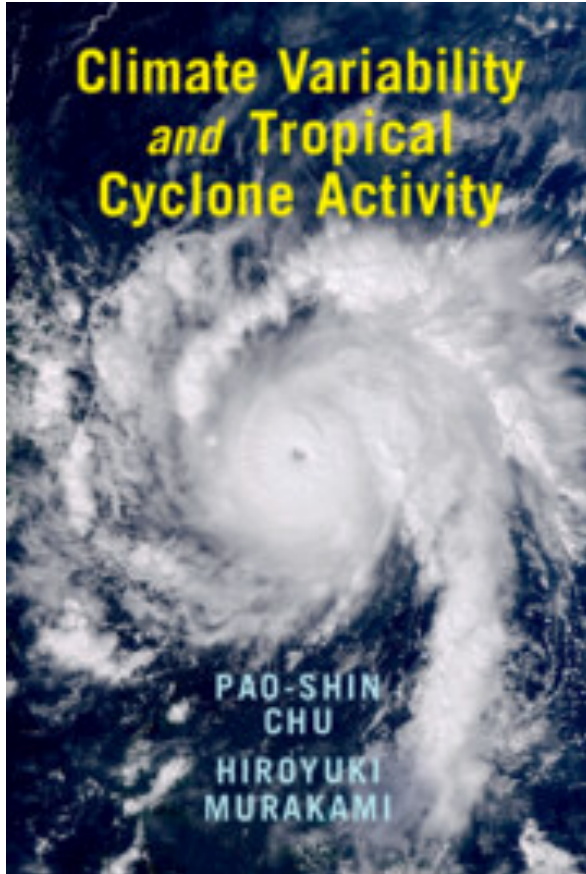
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Review of Tropical Cyclone Climate

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 - Observed records
 - Observed trends in the past
 - Finger-print analysis
 - Pseudo-warming experiments
 - Idealized seasonal predictions



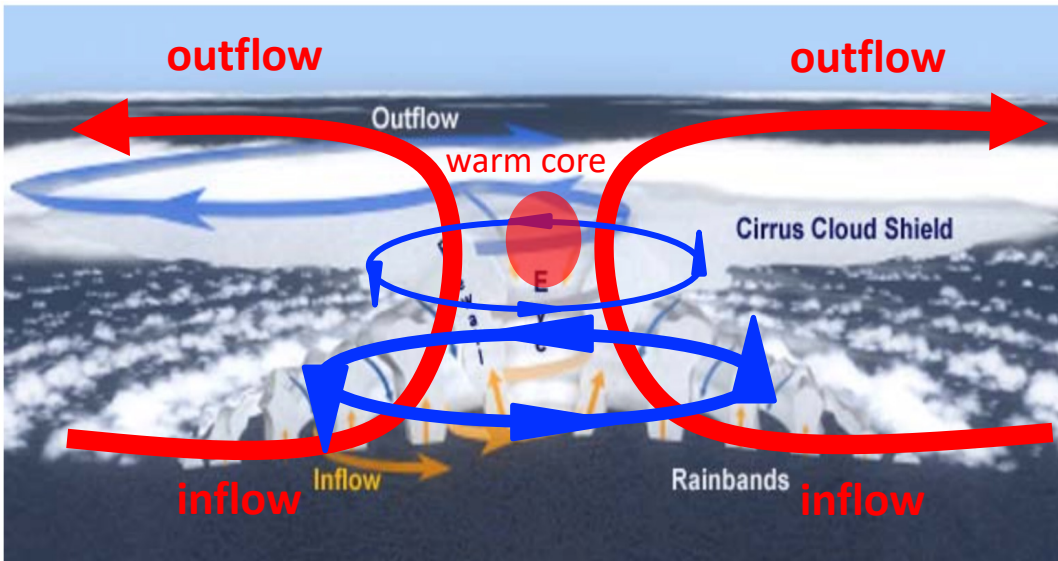
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1.1 Definition of Tropical Cyclones

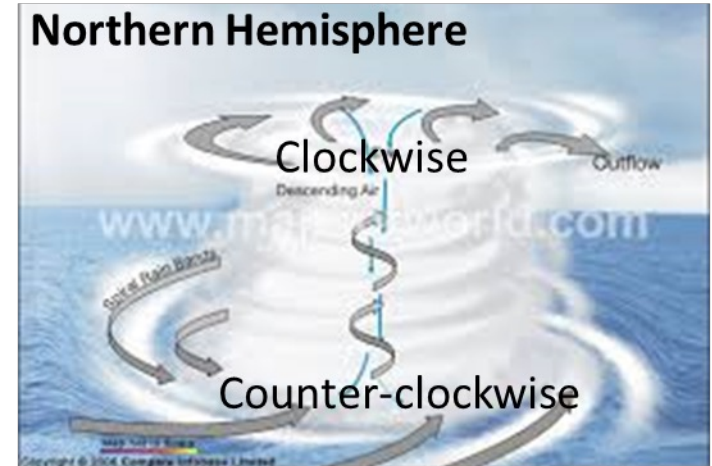


1. Strong cyclonic circulations ($\geq 34\text{kt}$; $\geq 17\text{ms}^{-1}$)
2. Warm core (=Strong winds in the lower troposphere than in the upper troposphere)
3. Generate over the open oceans



Primary Circulation

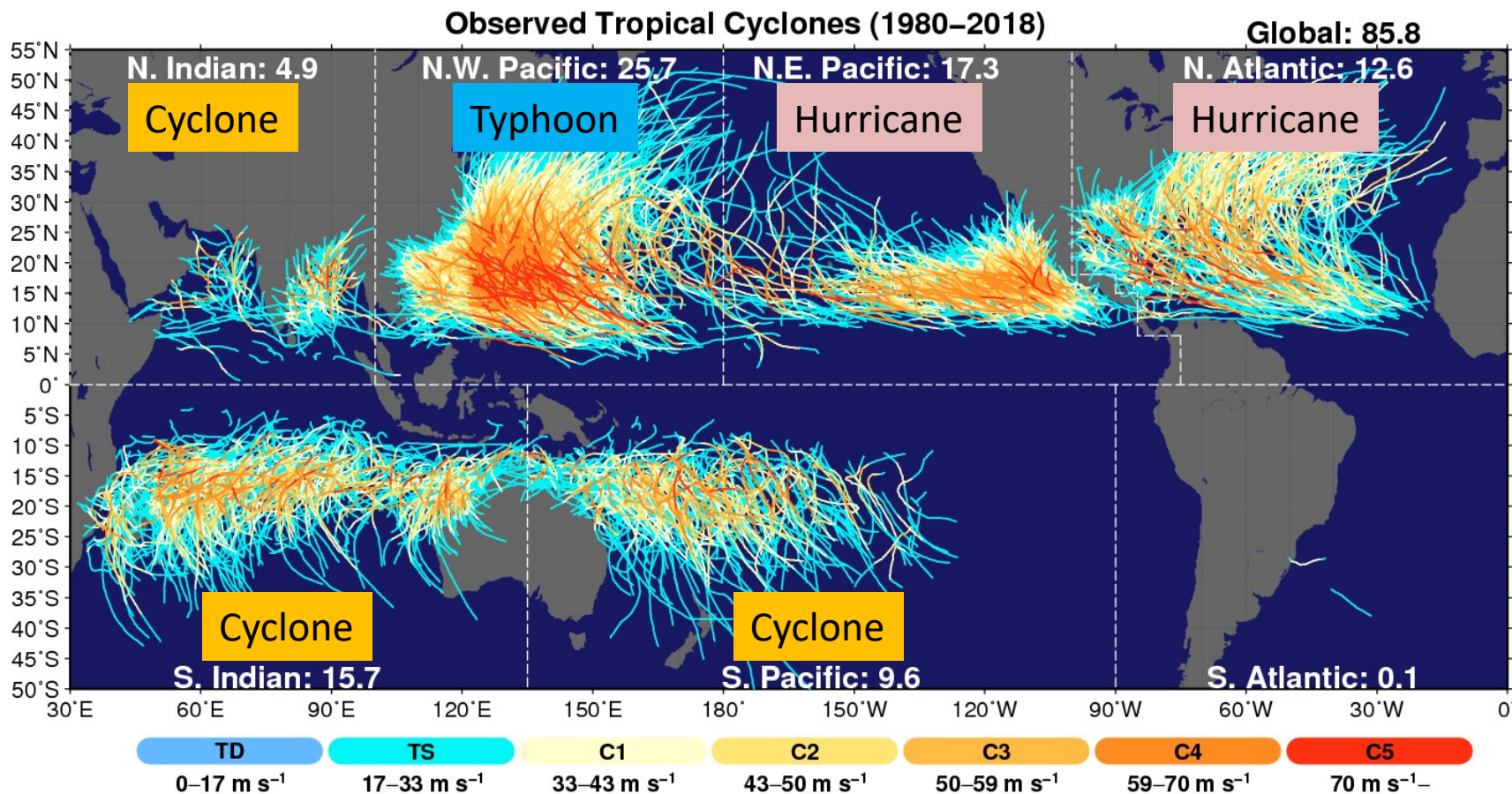
Secondary Circulation



Global Tropical Cyclones



Different names for tropical cyclones





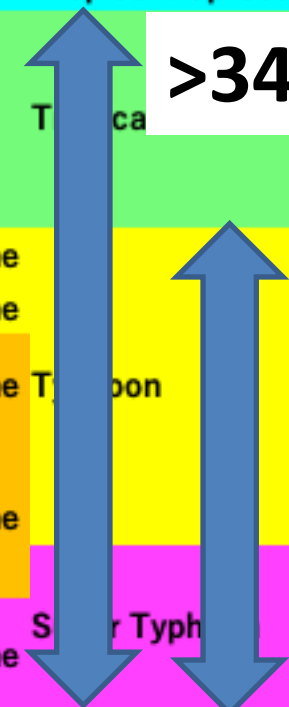
Hurricane Intensity Scales

10-minute sustained (knots)	N Atlantic & NE Pacific	NW Pacific	N Indian Ocean	S Indian Ocean	Australia
<33	Tropical Depression	Tropical Depression	Deep Depression	Depression	Tropical Low
34-47	Tropical Storm	Tropical Storm	Severe Cyclonic Storm	Severe Cyclonic Storm	Tropical Cyclone 2
48-55					
56-63					
64-72	Category 1 Hurricane	Tropical Storm	Cyclonic Storm		
73-85	Category 2 Hurricane				
86-89	Category 3 Hurricane	Typhoon			
90-99					
100-106					
107-114	Category 4 Hurricane				
115-119					
>120	Category 5 Hurricane	Super Typhoon	Super Cyclonic Storm	Very Intense Tropical Cyclone	Severe Tropical Cyclone 5

>34kt: Tropical Storm (or Cyclone)

>64 kt: Hurricane & Typhoon

>86 kt: Major Hurricane



Saffir-Simpson Intensity Scale



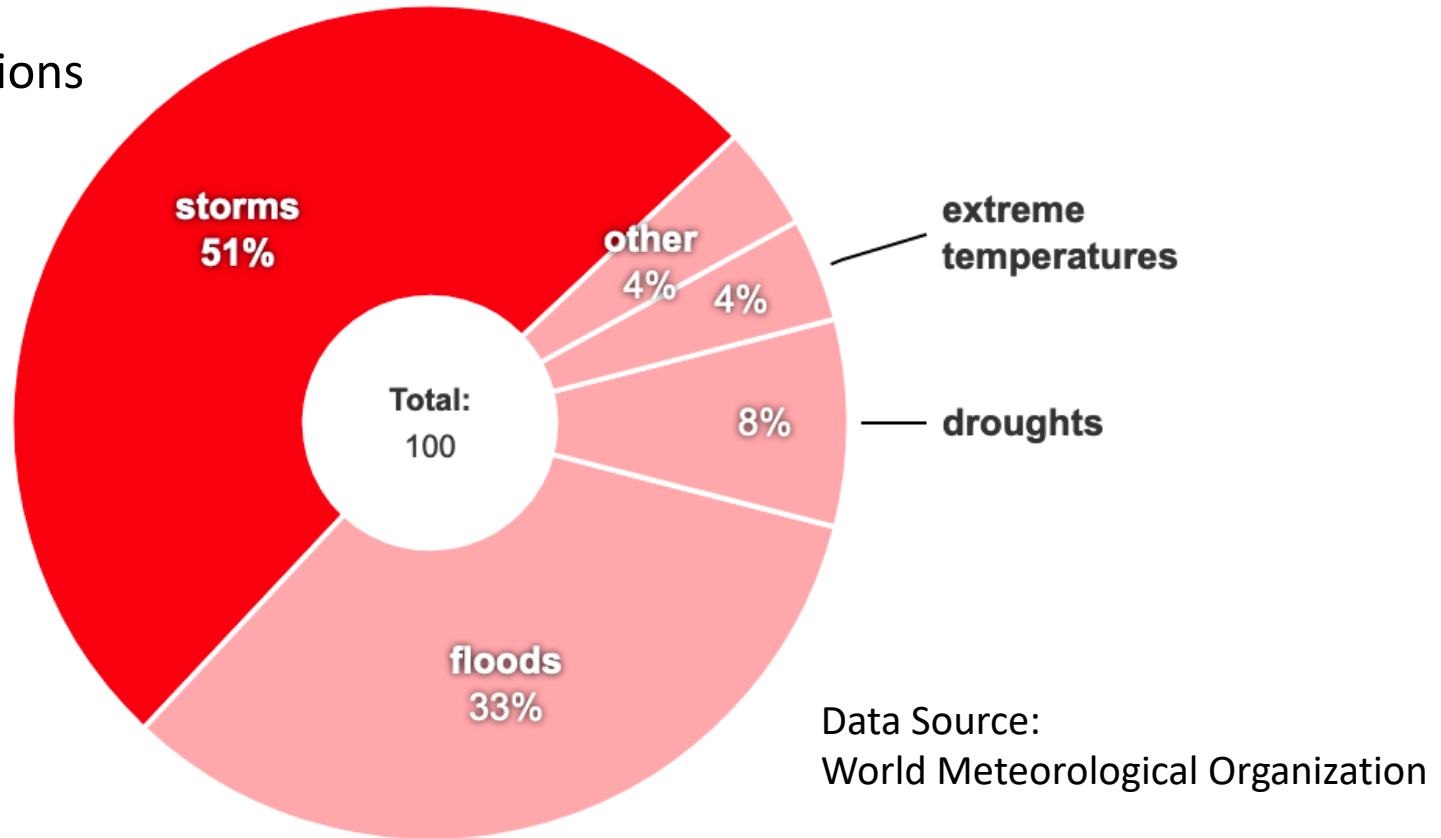
Developed in 1971

Tropical Cyclones: The Deadliest Natural Disaster



Global Economic Losses by Disaster Type (1970–2012)

Total \$2,390.7 billions



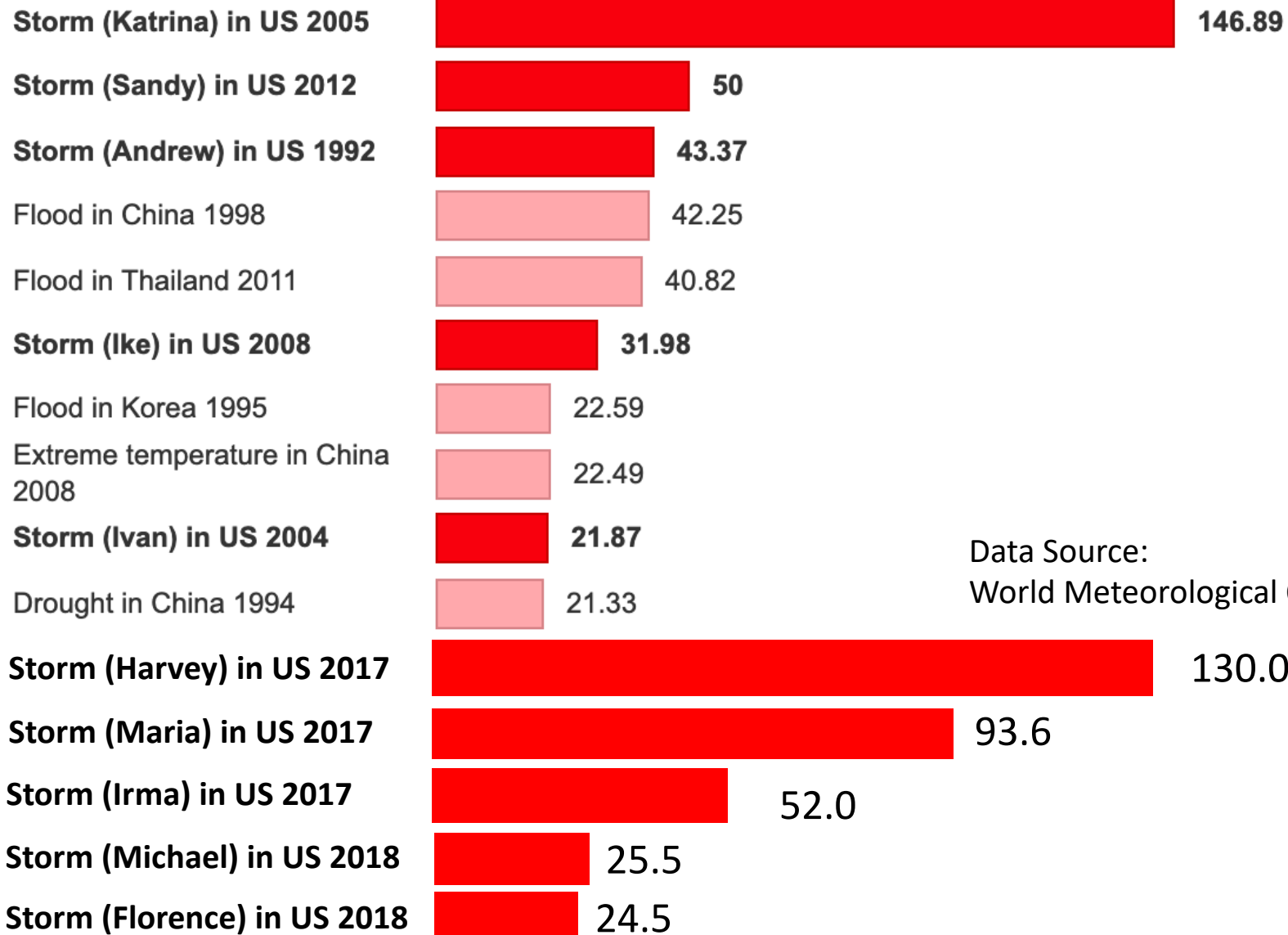
- About 50% of the total economy losses had ever been caused by tropical cyclones all over the world
- In the United States, about 85 % of the total losses by tropical cyclones were caused by **Major Hurricanes**.



Hurricane: The Most Costal Disaster

Disasters Ranked by Economy Losses (1970–2012)

Units: Billion USD



Data Source:
World Meteorological Organization

Extreme Winds

Hurricane Iniki (Honolulu, 1992)



Extreme Rainfall

Hurricane Harvey (Houston, 2017)



Storm Surge

Hurricane Florence (NC, 2018)



Tornado

Hurricane Irma (Florida, 2017)



Storm Surge

- Storm surge

Disasters Ranked by Economy Losses (1970–2012)

Storm (Katrina) in US 2005



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Storm (Sandy) in US 2012



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Hurricane Katrina (2005)

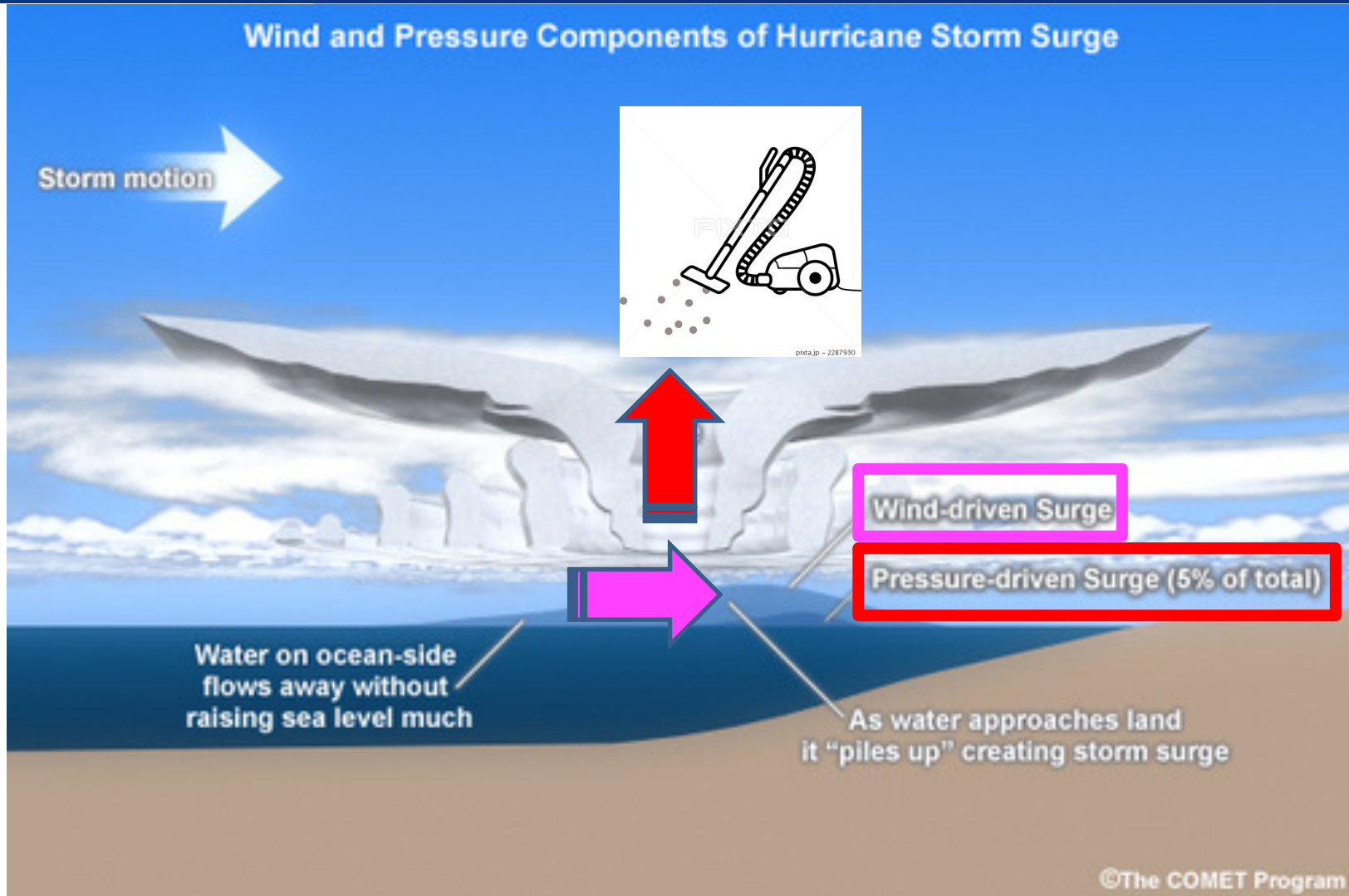


Hurricane Sandy (2012)



- Structures near the shore are inundated.
- **Storm surge is the greatest potential killer among the hurricane hazards!**

Storm Surge

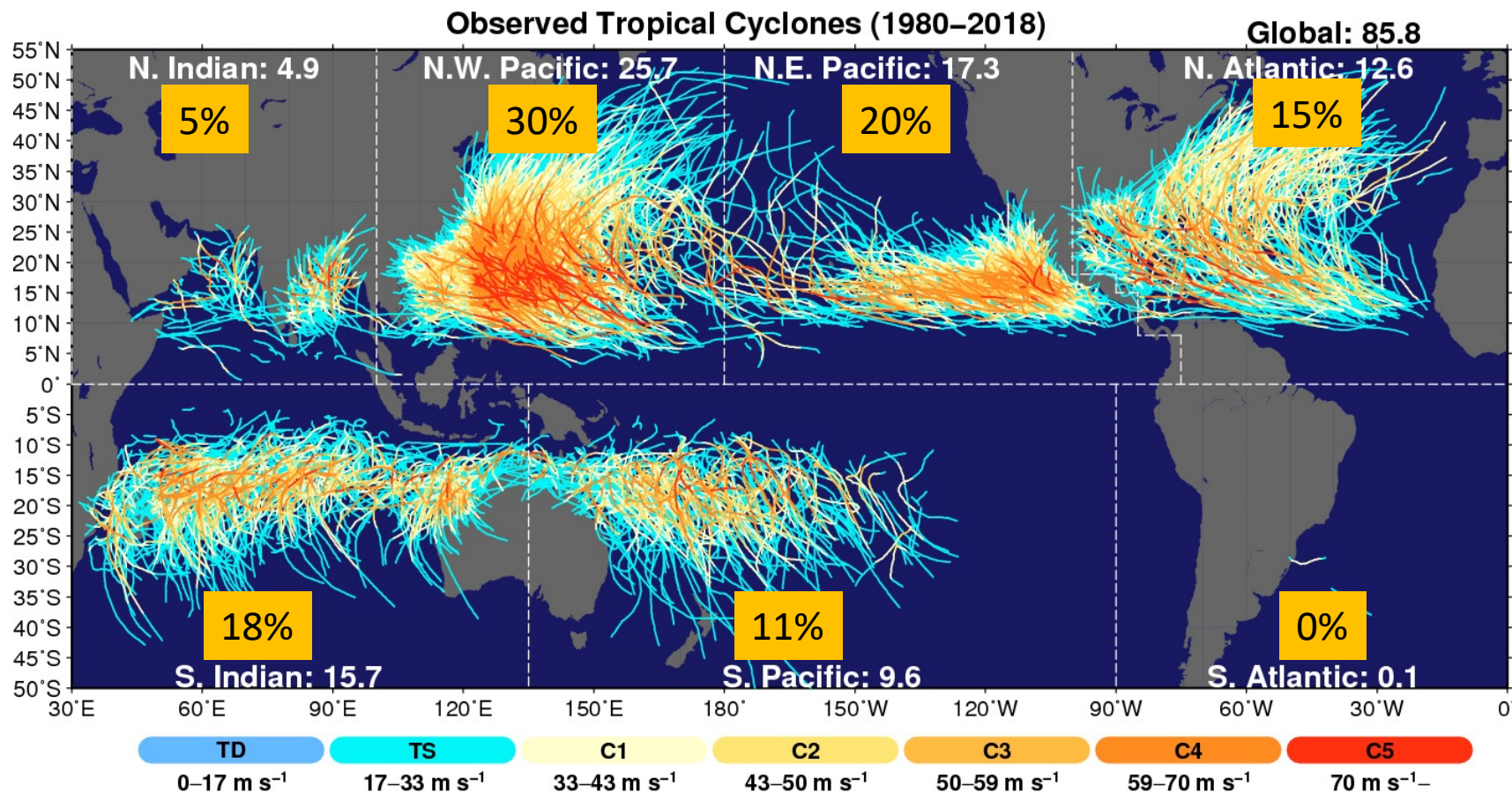


- Storm surge is produced by water being pushed toward the shore by the force of the winds around the storm.
- The impact on surge of the low pressure is minimal in comparison to the water being forced toward the shore by the wind.

Global Tropical Cyclones

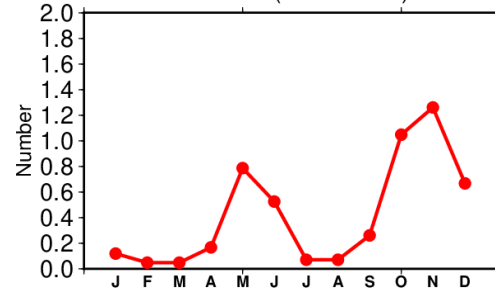


Inhomogeneous TC genesis spatial distribution



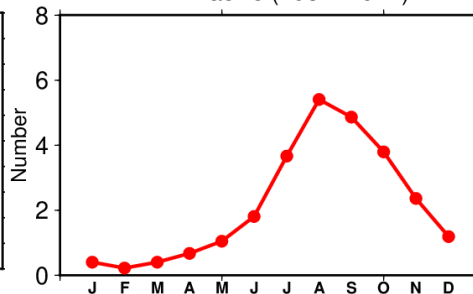
Seasonal cycle of TCs

N. Indian (1981–2022)



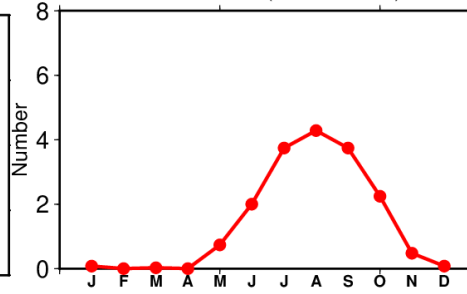
Bimodal distribution
Pre-monsoon: Apr-June
Post-monsoon: Oct-Dec

W.N. Pacific (1981–2022)



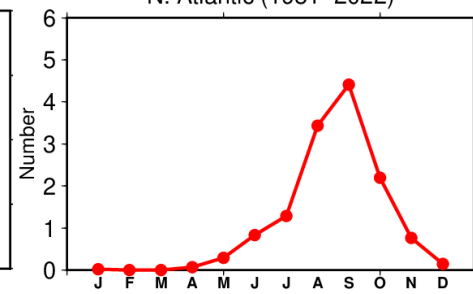
Peak: Jul-Oct
TCs generate all seasons

E.N. Pacific (1981–2022)



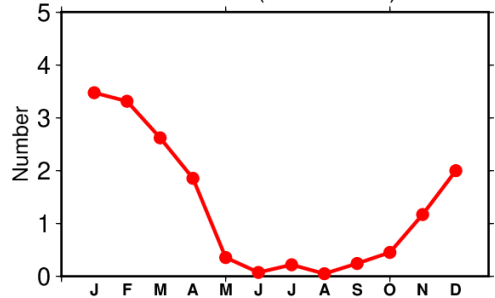
Peak: Jul-Oct

N. Atlantic (1981–2022)



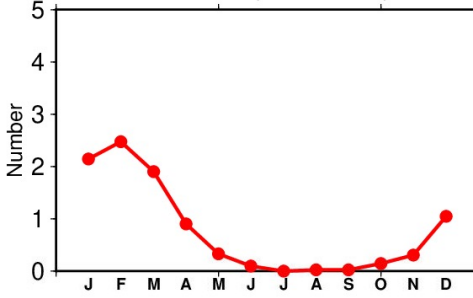
Peak: Jul-Oct

S. Indian (1981–2022)



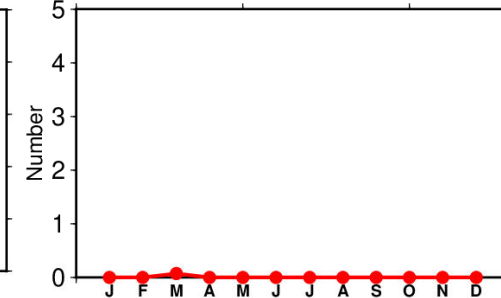
Peak: Dec-Mar

S. Pacific (1981–2022)



Peak: Dec-Mar

S. Atlantic (1981–2022)



Large-Scale Climatological Influences on TC formation

Gray (1979) introduced six necessary large-scale conditions for TC genesis.

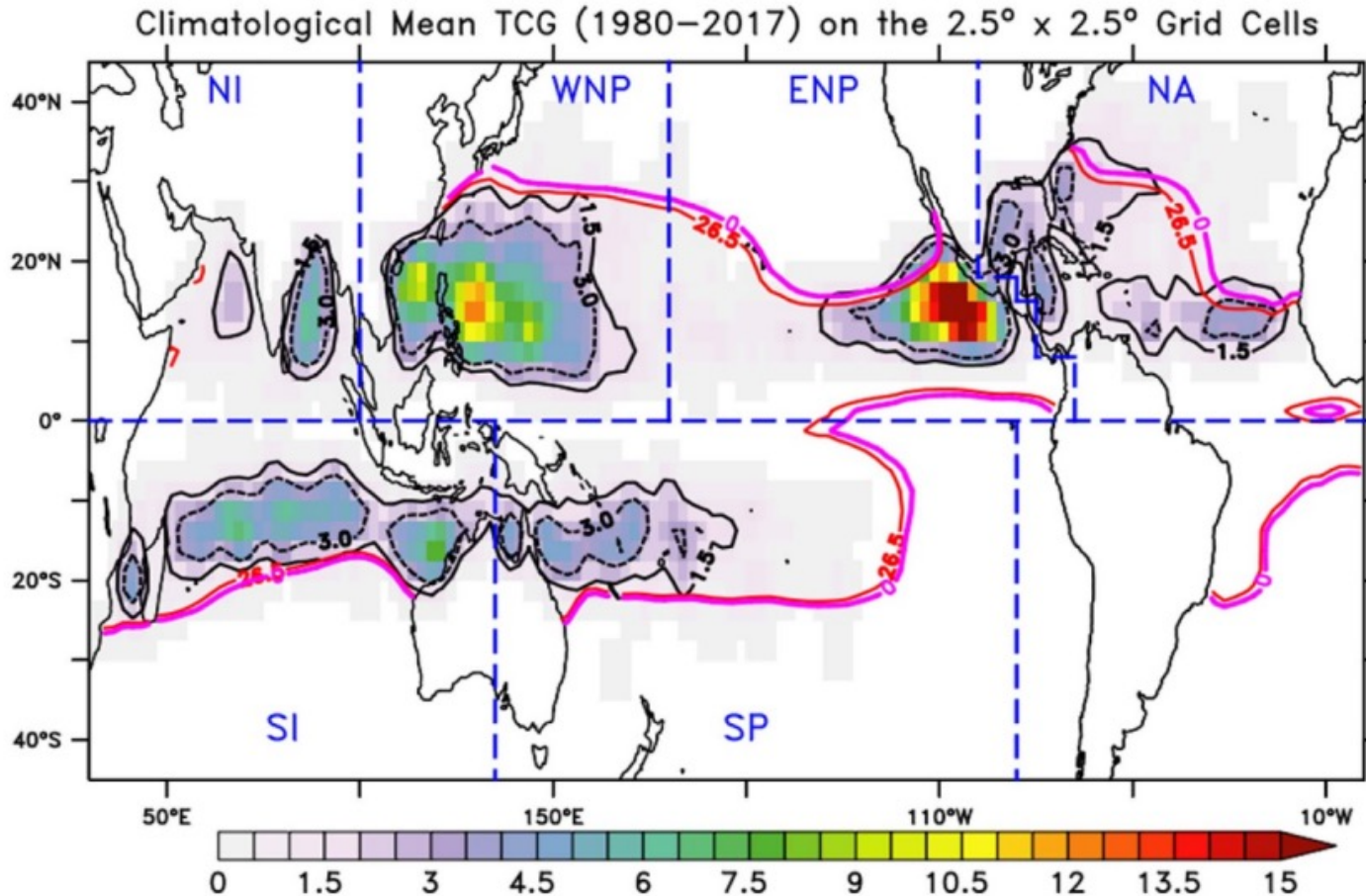
“It appears that seasonal TC frequency can be directly related on a climatological or Seasonal basis to a combination of six physical parameters which will henceforth be referred as primary climatological genesis parameters” Gray (1979)

1. Low-level relative vorticity (ζ_r)
2. Coriolis parameter (f)
3. The inverse of the vertical shear (S_z) of the horizontal wind between lower and upper troposphere ($1/S_z$)
4. “Ocean thermal energy”—sea temperature exceeds above 26°C to a depth of 60m (E)
5. Vertical gradient of θ_e between the surface and 500 mb ($\partial\theta_e/\partial p$)
6. Middle tropospheric relative humidity (RH)



Warm Sea Surface Conditions

- 4. "Ocean thermal energy"—sea temperature exceeds above 26°C to a depth of 60m (E)

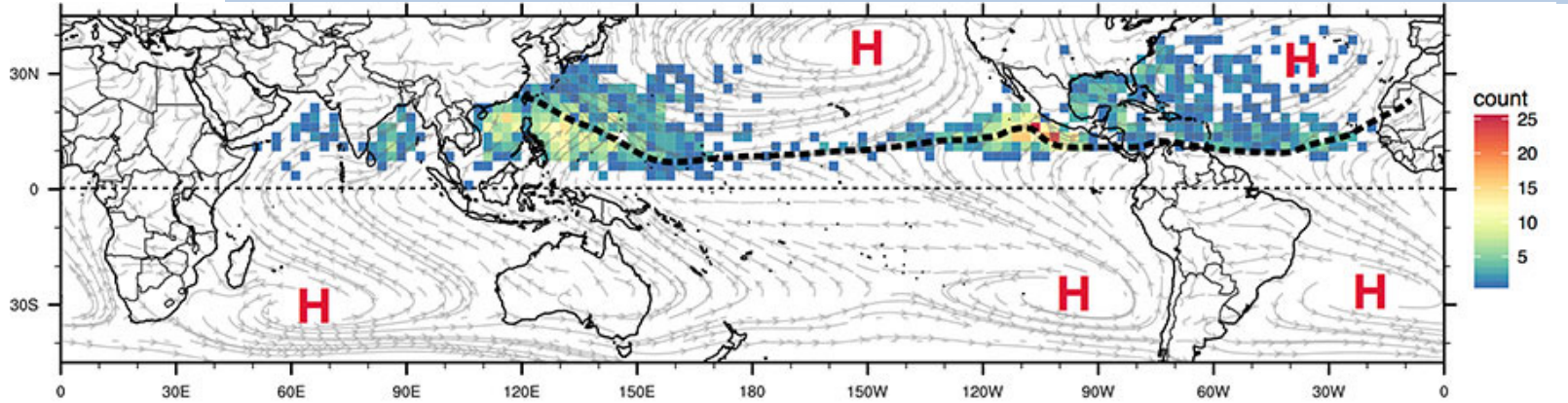


Shade: TC genesis density

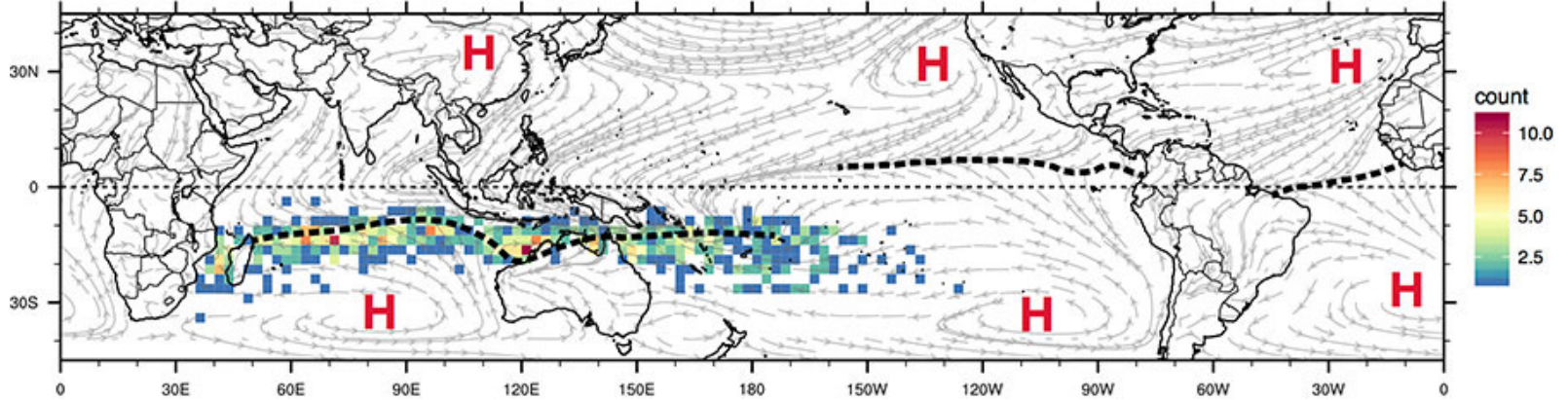
Red line: The 26.5°C isotherm of Sea Surface Temperature (SST) during the summer season.

Low-level Vorticity

Boreal Summer



Boreal Winter



Shade: TC genesis density

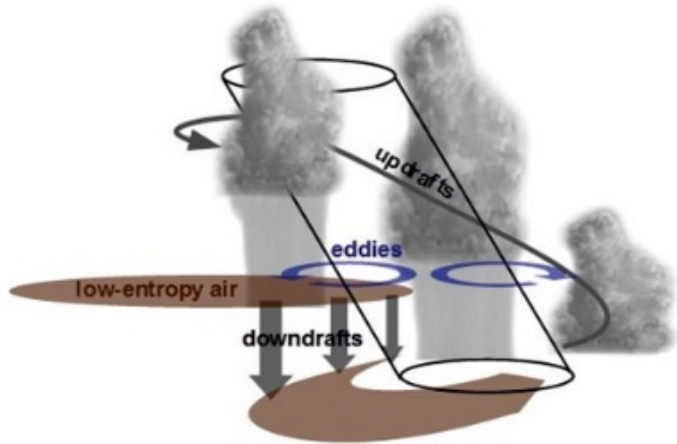
Thick black dashed lines: The position of climatological intertropical convergence zones (ITCZ)

Streamlines: Typical surface wind patterns for August in the Northern Hemisphere and January in the Southern Hemisphere

ITCZ (i.e., monsoon trough) creates strong cyclonic circulation, modulating TC genesis

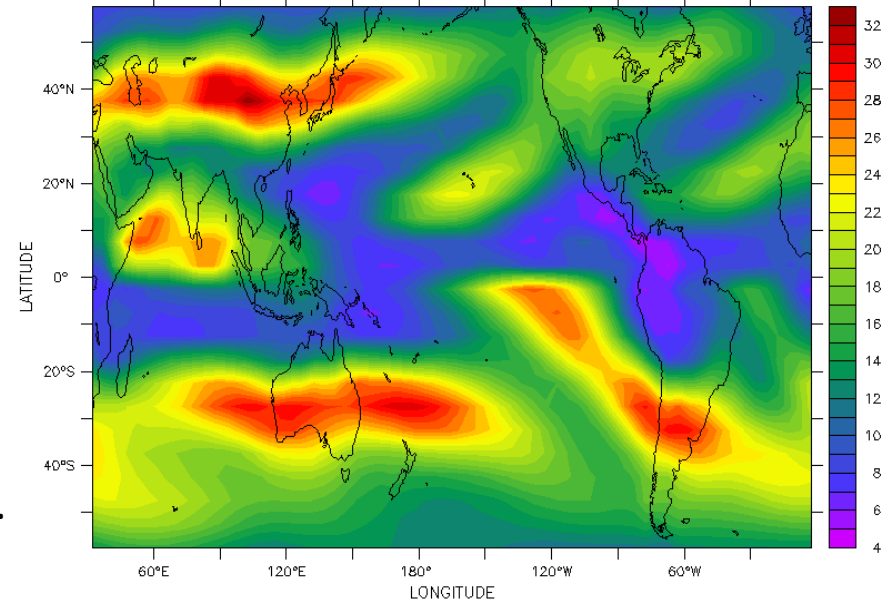
Vertical Wind Shear

$$Vs = |\text{Wind}_{200\text{hPa}} - \text{Wind}_{850\text{hPa}}|$$



An illustration of a tropical cyclone undergoing **ventilation** by **vertical wind shear**.
Tang and Emanuel (2012).

Climatological Mean Vertical Wind Shear During Summer Season (NH:May-Nov, SH:Nov-Apr)

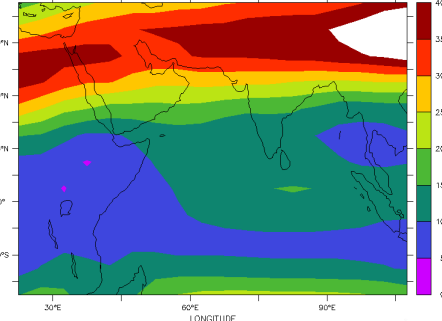
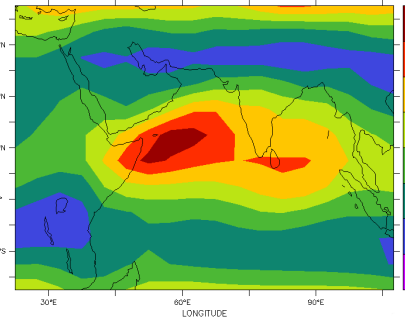
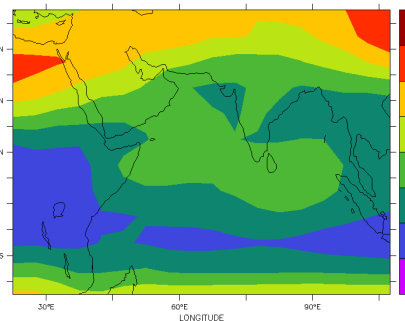
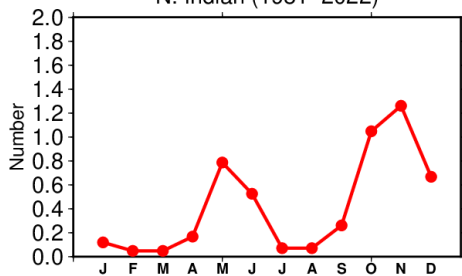


April-June
(Pre-Monsoon)

July-September
(Monsoon)

October-December
(Post-Monsoon)

N. Indian (1981-2022)



Weak Vs

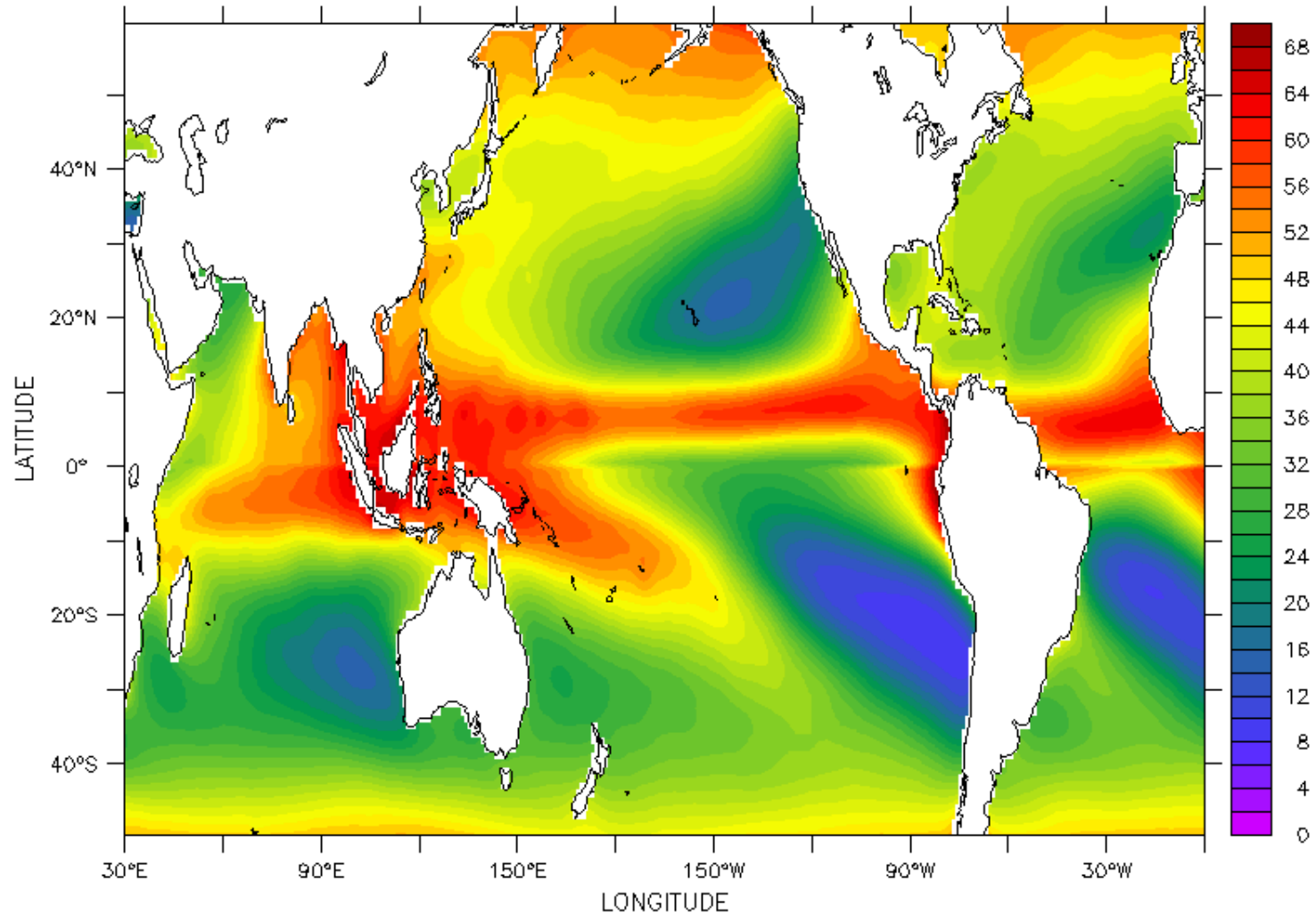
Strong Vs

Weak Vs

Relative Humidity (RH)



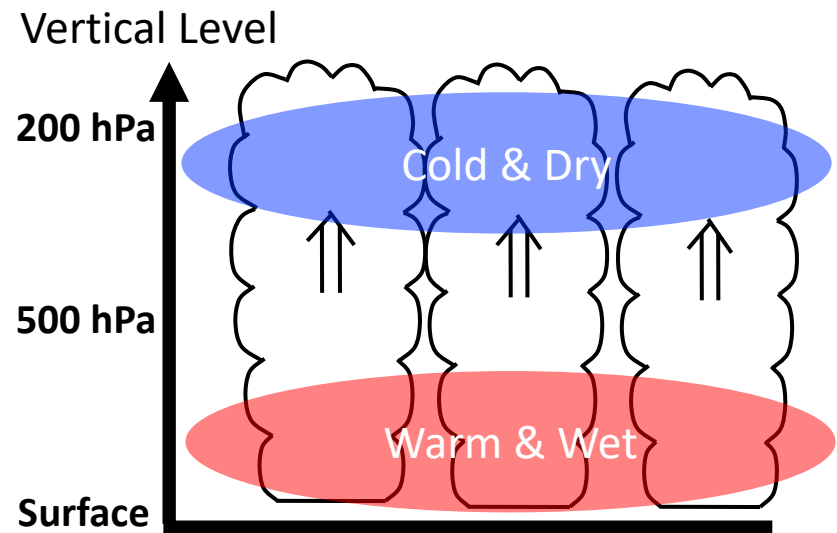
Climatological Mean RH at 600hPa during Summer Season



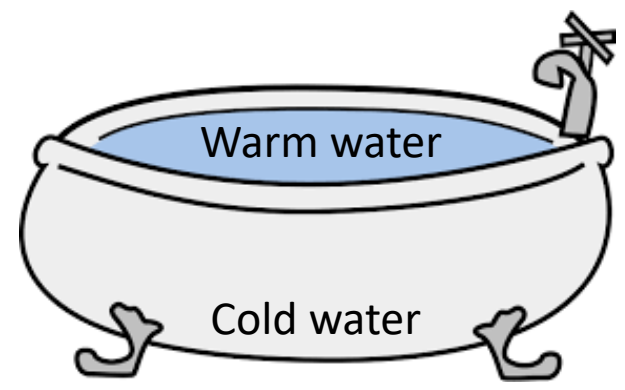
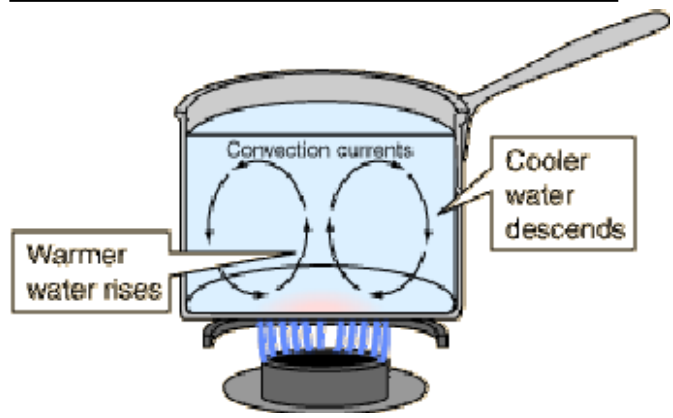
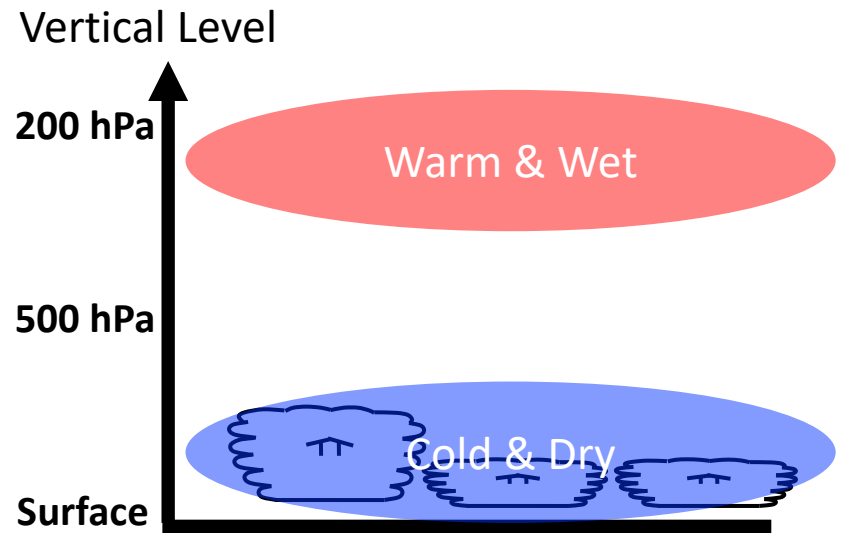
Atmospheric Instability



Unstable Atmosphere



Stable Atmosphere



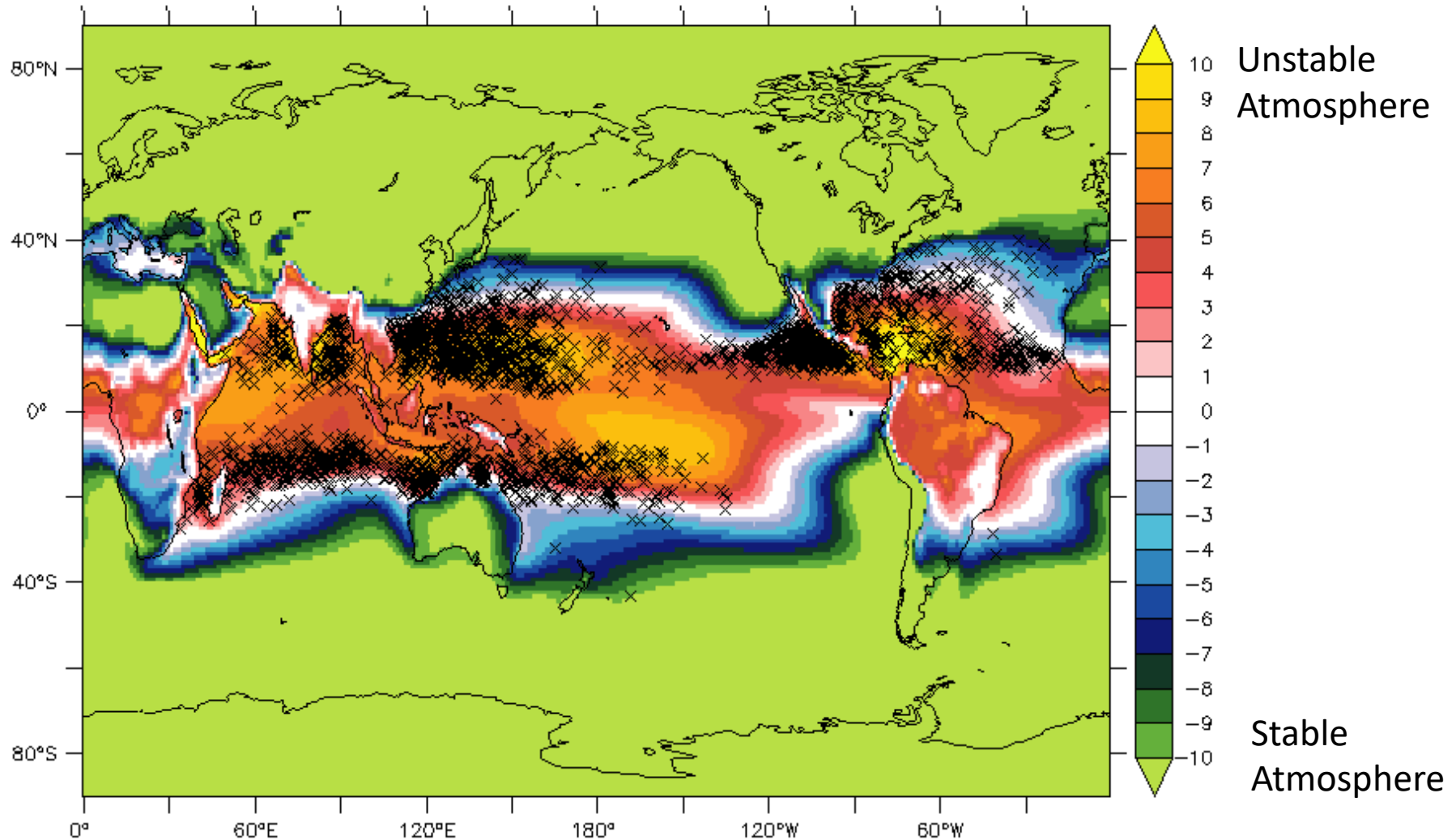
Favorable for convections => More Hurricanes

Unfavorable for convections => Less Hurricanes

Atmospheric Instability

$$\text{Atmospheric Instability} = \theta_e(1000 \text{ hPa}) - \theta_e(500 \text{ hPa})$$

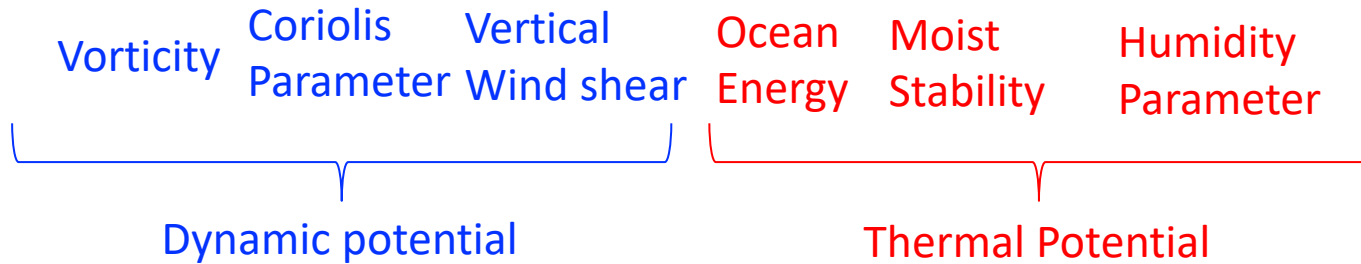
where $\theta_e(T, q)$ is Equivalent Potential Temperature



Seasonal Genesis Parameter (first Genesis Potential Index)

Gray (1979)'s Seasonal Genesis Parameter (genesis potential index)

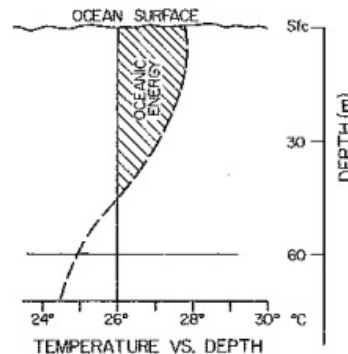
$$s.g.p = (\zeta_r + 5) \times f \times \frac{1}{(S_z + 3)} \times E \times \left(\frac{\partial \theta_e}{\partial p} + 5 \right) \times \frac{\overline{RH_{500-700}} - 40}{30}$$



$\frac{\partial \theta_e}{\partial p}$ Difference in equivalent potential temperature between surface and 500hPa levels.

$$S_z = |\partial \mathbf{V} / \partial p|$$

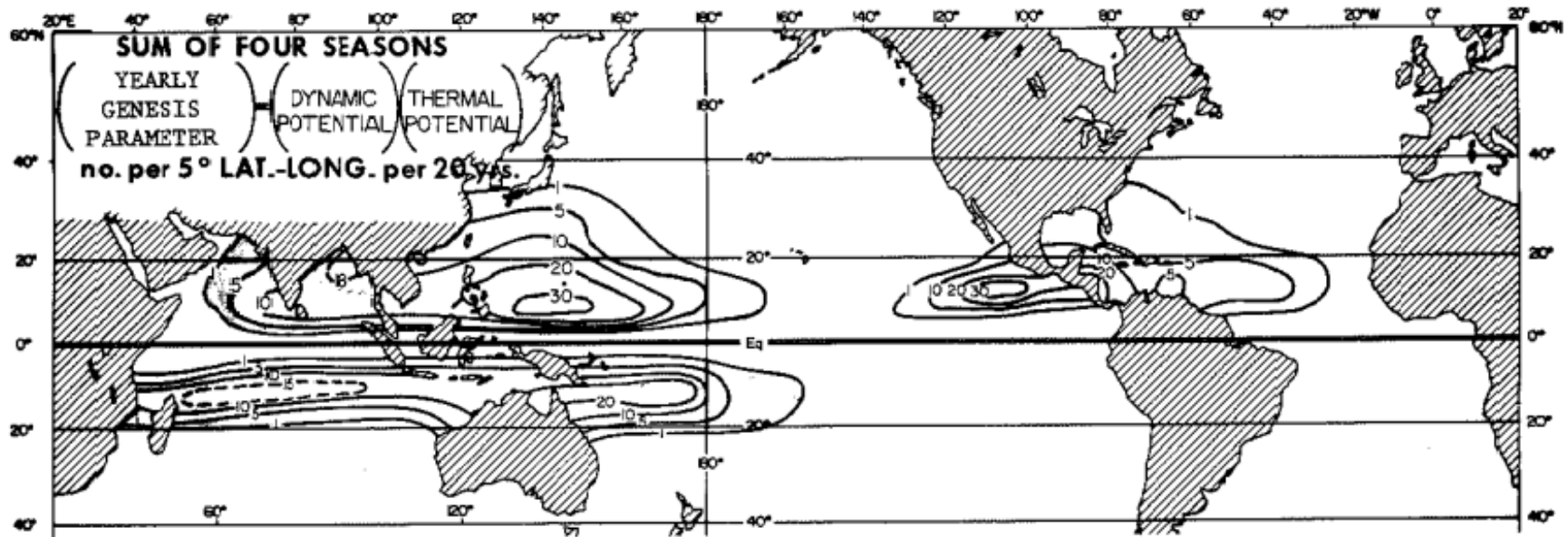
$$E = \int \rho_w c_w (T - 26) dz$$



Seasonal Genesis Parameter (first Genesis Potential Index)



Sum of s. g. p for 4 seasons.



Various GPI Formula after Gray (1979)

Royer et al. (1998) $CYGP = (\zeta_r + 5) \times f \times \frac{1}{(S_z + 3)} \times E \times k(P_c - P_0) \times \frac{RH_{500-700} - 40}{30}$

P_c : Convective Precipitation

Emanuel and Nolan (2004) $GPI = |10^5 \eta|^{\frac{3}{2}} \left(\frac{RH}{50}\right)^3 \left(\frac{V_{pt}}{70}\right)^3 (1 + 0.1V_s)^{-2}$

Murakami and Wang (2011) $GPI' = |10^5 \eta|^{\frac{3}{2}} \left(\frac{RH}{50}\right)^3 \left(\frac{V_{pt}}{70}\right)^3 (1 + 0.1V_s)^{-2} \left(\frac{-\omega_{500} + 0.1}{0.1}\right)$

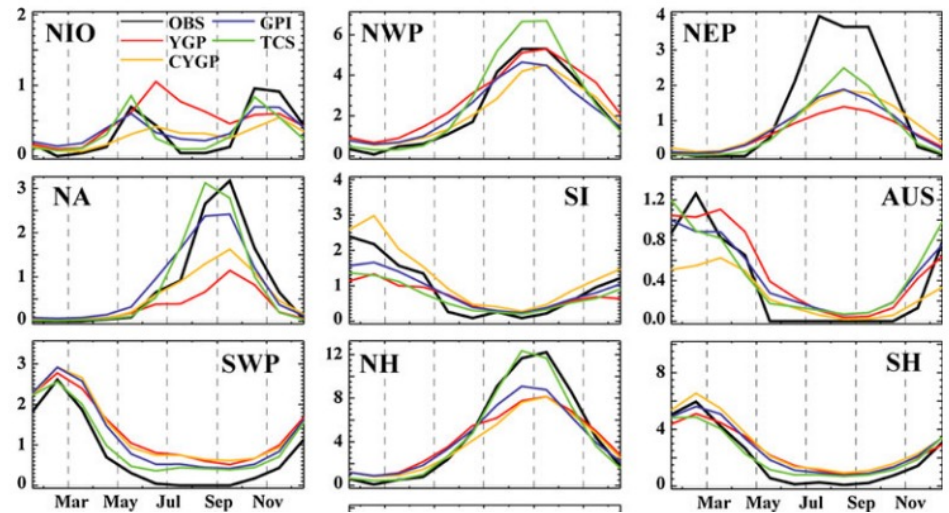
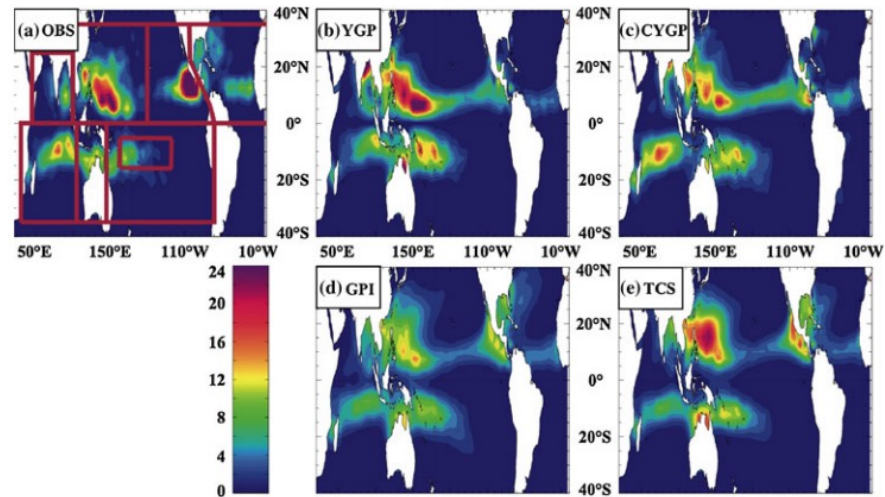
Vertical motion at 500 hPa

Tippet et al. (2011) $\mu = \exp(b + b_\eta \eta_{850,c} + b_{CRH} CRH + b_{PI} PI + b_{SHR} SHR),$
 $\mu = \exp(b + b_\eta \eta_{850,c} + b_{SD} SD + b_{PI} PI + b_{SHR} SHR).$

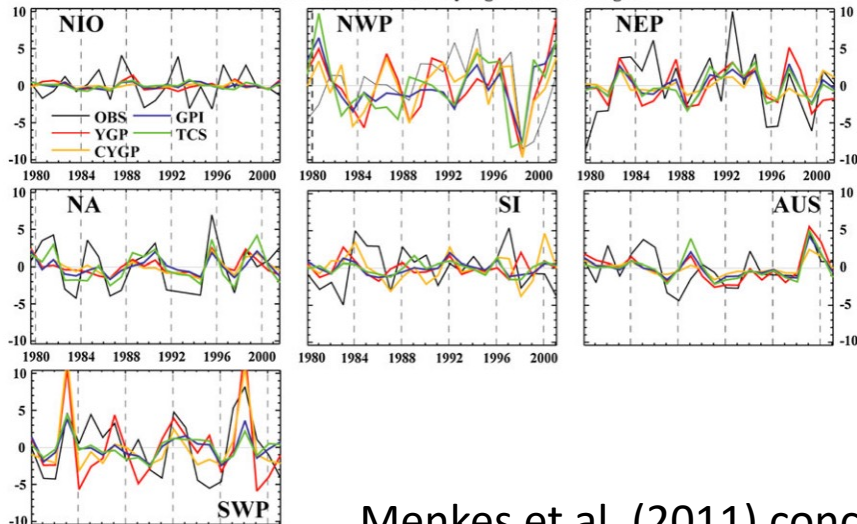
- They are all derived by regression between observed TC genesis density and large-scale variables considering climatological seasonal cycle (e.g., climatological 12 months)
- Commonly selected are vorticity, vertical wind shear
- Thermo-dynamical factors are different among the GPIs
- GPIs are optimized for present-day climate, and not sure if they are applicable in different climate.

Comparisons in GPIs

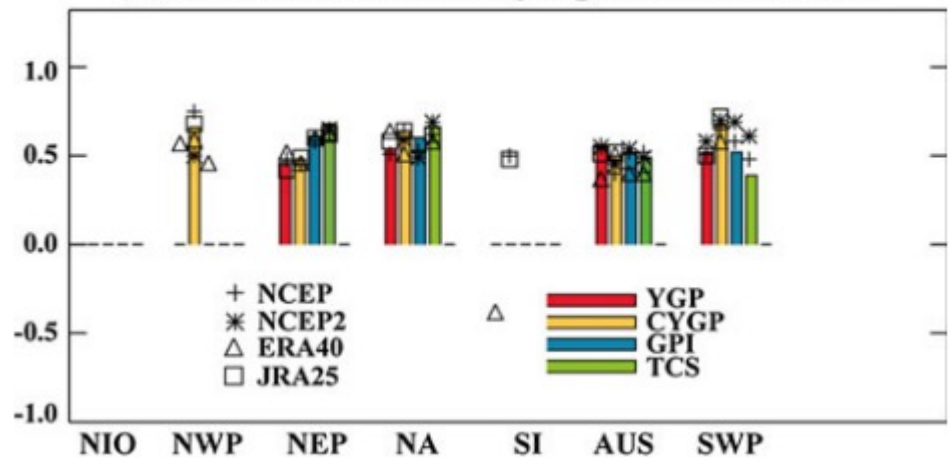
Menkes et al. (2012, *Clim. Dyn.*)



Interannual variations of cyclogenesis in each region



(a) Correlation: Observed cyclogenesis versus indices



Menkes et al. (2011) concluded that they are similar, but Tippet et al. (2011)'s GPI is slightly better than the others.

Entropy deficit

$$\chi_m \equiv \frac{s_m - s_m^*}{s_o^* - s_b} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Free atmosphere thermodynamic disequilibrium} \\ \text{Air-sea thermodynamic disequilibrium} \end{array}$$

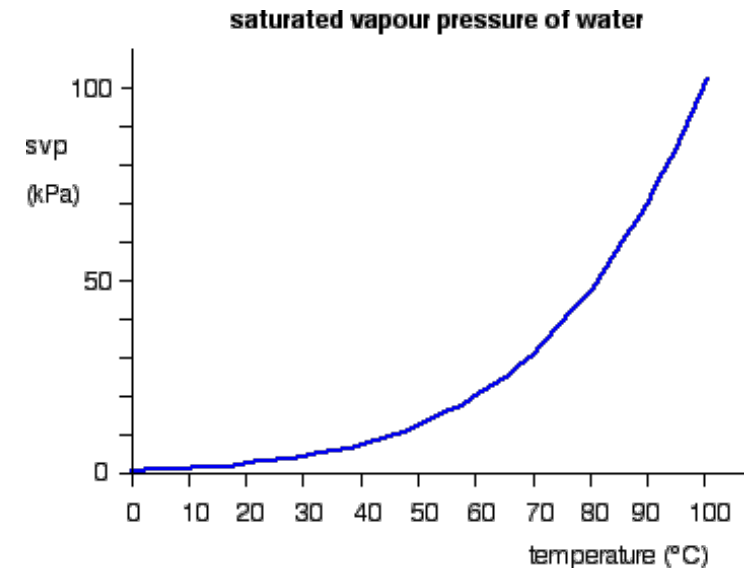
where s_m is the environmental moist entropy at 600 hPa, s_m^* is the saturation entropy at 600 hPa in the inner core of a tropical cyclone; s_o^* is the moist entropy of air saturated at SST and pressure; and s_b is the moist entropy of the boundary layer.

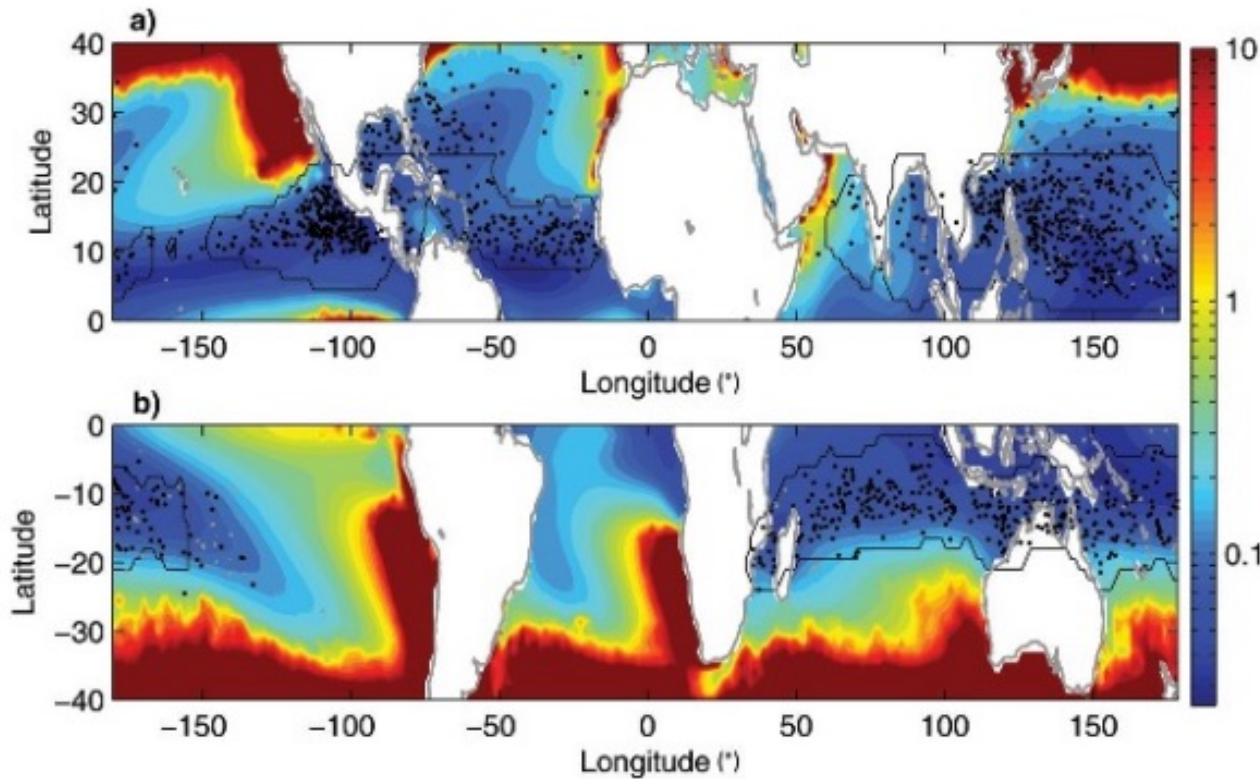
Ventilation Index

$$\Lambda \equiv \frac{u_s \chi_m}{u_{pi}}$$

where Λ is the non-dimension ventilation index; u_s vertical wind shear; χ_m is the entropy deficit, u_{pi} is potential intensity.

Smaller Λ is more favorable for TC genesis and intensity





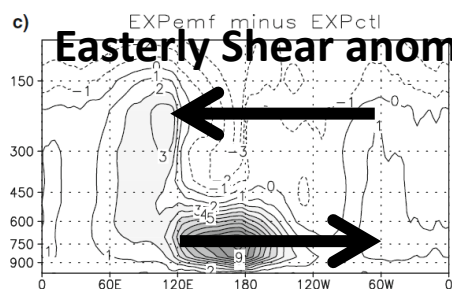
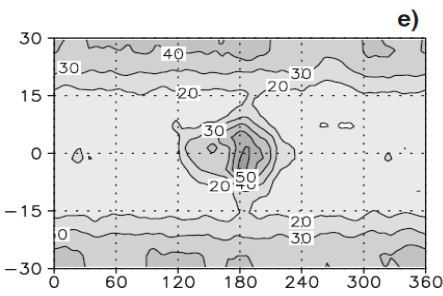
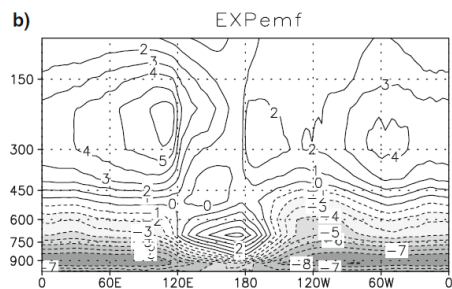
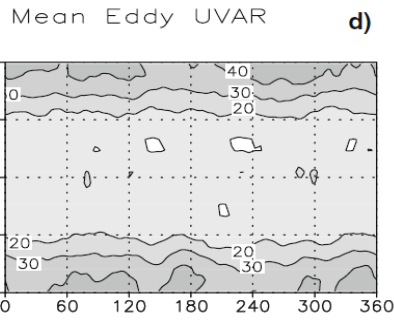
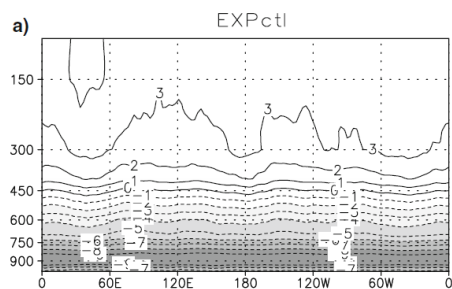
Shading: Ventilation Index
Dots: TC genesis

FIG. 2. (a) July–October ventilation index for the Northern Hemisphere and (b) December–March ventilation index for the Southern Hemisphere averaged over 1990–2009. Note the logarithmic scale. Black dots are tropical cyclogenesis points over the same period. Black outline demarcates main genesis regions, which are constrained to be equatorward of 25°.

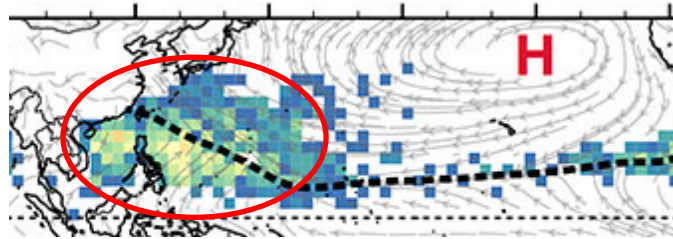
Difference between easterly shear and westerly shear

Westerly Shear

Easterly Shear



Previous theoretical and modeling studies revealed that an **easterly shear** environment is **more favorable and efficient in eddy growth** (e.g., synoptic-scale disturbance) at the lower troposphere.

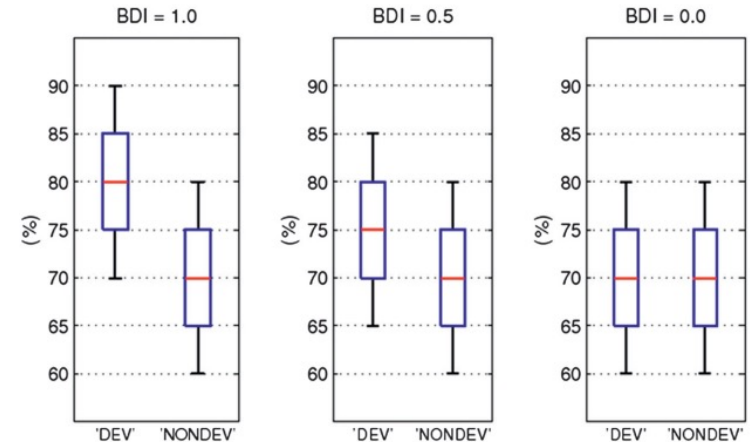
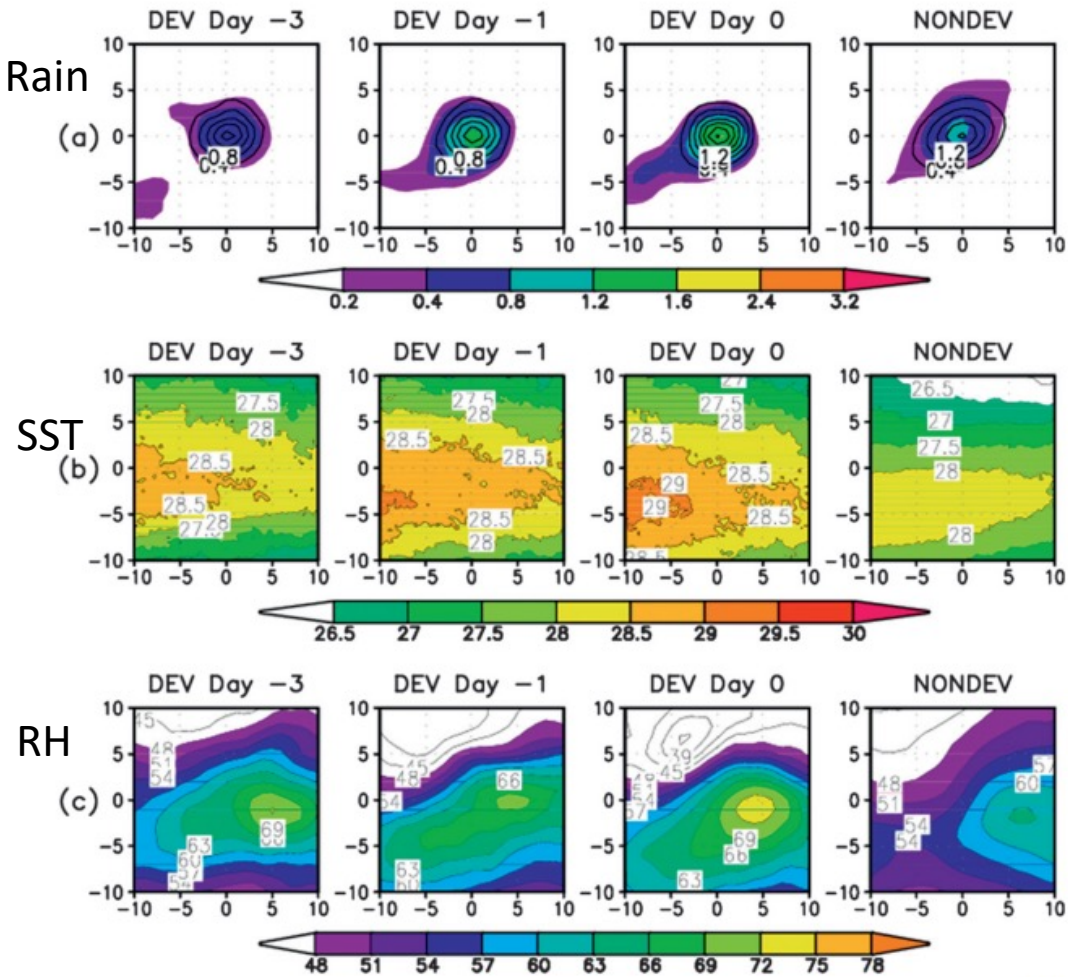


The monsoon trough is actually under an easterly shear environment, indicating more synoptic-scale disturbances.

Sooraj et al. (2009, *Clim. Dyn.*)

Wang and Xie (1996), Li (2006). Sooraj et al. (2009)

Developed and Nondeveloped TCs



Larger BDI indicates that the large-scale parameter is critical to separate developed and non-developed storms

$$BDI = \frac{M_{DEV} - M_{NONDEV}}{\sigma_{DEV} + \sigma_{NONDEV}}$$

M_{DEV} : Mean of a large-scale condition for developed cases at day -1

M_{NONDEV} : Mean of a large-scale condition for non-developed cases

Peng et al (2012)

Fu et al (2012)

Developed and Nondeveloped TCs

North Atlantic (Peng et al. 2012)

Variable name	BDI	
	Sign	Magnitude
925–400-hPa water vapor content ($10^\circ \times 10^\circ$)	+	0.49
Rain rate ($20^\circ \times 20^\circ$)	+	0.35
SST ($20^\circ \times 20^\circ$)	+	0.33
Max 700-hPa relative vorticity	+	0.32
1000–600-hPa vertical shear ($20^\circ \times 20^\circ$)	–	0.19
Translational speed	–	0.15
Vertically averaged $\partial u/\partial y$ ($20^\circ \times 10^\circ$)	–	0.13
Vertically averaged divergence ($20^\circ \times 20^\circ$)	–	0.03

Thermo-dynamical parameters are the most important for North Atlantic

Western North Pacific (Fu et al. 2012)

Variable name	BDI	
	Sign	Magnitude
800-hPa max relative vorticity	+	0.46
Rain rate ($20^\circ \times 20^\circ$)	+	0.42
Vertically averaged $\partial u/\partial y$ ($20^\circ \times 10^\circ$)	–	0.39
Vertically averaged divergence ($10^\circ \times 10^\circ$)	–	0.38
925–400-hPa water vapor content ($10^\circ \times 10^\circ$)	+	0.24
SST ($20^\circ \times 20^\circ$)	+	0.13
Translational speed	–	0.06

Dynamical parameters are the most important for western North Pacific

Peng et al (2012)

Fu et al (2012)

Dynamic Genesis Potential Index

Wang and Murakami (2020, *ERL*)

Murakami and Wang (2021, *Nature Commun. Earth Environ*)

Candidate Large-scale parameters

Symbol	Candidate variables	Description	Units	Range of logarithm
V_s	$2.0 + 0.1 \times ws_{200} - ws_{850} $	Vertical wind shear	m.s^{-1}	0.4–1.5
V_{zs}	$10 - 0.1 \times (u_{200} - u_{850})$	Zonal component of vertical wind shear	m.s^{-1}	1.5–2.7
ω	$5.0 - 20 \times \omega_{500}$	Vertical velocity at 500 hPa	Pa.s^{-1}	1.2–2.4
ζ_a	$5.5 + (\zeta_{850} + f) \times 10^5 $	Absolute vorticity at 850 hPa	s^{-1}	0.5–2.0
f	$1.0 + f/f_0, f_0 \text{ is } f \text{ at } 10^\circ\text{N} $	Coriolis parameter	-	0.4–1.4
ζ_r	$6.0 + \zeta_{850} \times 10^5$	Relative vorticity at 850 hPa	s^{-1}	1.0–2.0
U_y	$5.5 - \frac{\partial u_{500}}{\partial y} \times 10^5$	Meridional gradient of zonal wind at 500 hPa	s^{-1}	1.0–1.8
U_x	$5.0 - 2.0 \times \frac{\partial u_{850}}{\partial x} \times 10^5$	Zonal gradient of zonal wind at 850 hPa	s^{-1}	0.6–1.6
R	$2.0 + RH_{600}/7$	Relative humidity at 600 hPa	%	1.0–2.0
V_{pot}	$2.0 + mpi/20$	Maximum potential intensity	m.s^{-1}	0.8–2.0
SST_a	$9.0 + 0.5 \times (SST - \overline{SST}_{[30^\circ\text{S}-30^\circ\text{N}]})$	SST anomaly from tropical (30°S–30°N) mean	K	2.0–2.5

$$\log(1 + Y) = b + \sum_i a_i \log(X_i)$$

Y: TC Genesis frequency for every grid

X_i : Candidate parameter

Step-wise regression was applied. Step-wise regression can avoid inclusion of redundant variables in GPI formulation.

Dynamic Genesis Potential Index

	Reanalysis	V_s	V_{zs}	ω	ζ_a	f	ζ_r	U_y	U_x	R	V_{pot}	SST_a
GL	ERA-Interim	0.69 ³		0.62 ²	0.41 ¹	0.71 ⁵		0.70 ⁴				
	NCEP2	0.68 ³		0.61 ²	0.42 ¹	0.70 ⁵		0.69 ⁴				
	JRA55	0.69 ³		0.63 ²	0.41 ¹	0.71 ⁵		0.70 ⁴				
	MERRA2	0.43 ¹		0.69 ³	0.62 ²	0.71 ⁵		0.70 ⁴				
	CFSR	0.67 ³		0.69 ⁴	0.42 ¹			0.70 ⁵		0.61 ²		
	Ensemble Mean	0.70 ³		0.63 ²	0.42 ¹	0.71 ⁵		0.71 ⁴				
NH	ERA-Interim	0.46 ¹		0.69 ³	0.60 ²	0.70 ⁴						
	NCEP2	0.45 ¹		0.67 ³	0.59 ²						0.69 ⁵	0.69 ⁴
	JRA55	0.47 ¹		0.68 ³	0.60 ²	0.69 ⁴						
	MERRA2	0.49 ¹		0.70 ³	0.62 ²	0.70 ⁴						
	CFSR	0.46 ¹		0.68 ³	0.58 ²						0.70 ⁵	0.69 ⁴
	Ensemble Mean	0.47 ¹		0.70 ³	0.60 ²	0.71 ⁴						
SH	ERA-Interim	0.73 ⁴		0.64 ²	0.45 ¹		0.74 ⁵	0.72 ³				
	NCEP2	0.74 ⁴		0.64 ²	0.45 ¹		0.74 ⁵	0.72 ³				
	JRA55	0.74 ⁴		0.66 ²	0.45 ¹			0.73 ³	0.74 ⁵			
	MERRA2	0.73 ⁴		0.63 ²	0.45 ¹			0.70 ³				0.73 ⁵
	CFSR	0.75 ⁴		0.64 ²	0.46 ¹			0.72 ³				0.75 ⁵
	Ensemble Mean	0.74 ⁴		0.65 ²	0.46 ¹			0.72 ³	0.75 ⁵			

- Number of superscript means the order of selection.
- Number means complex correlation coefficients.
- Commonly selected were 4 dynamical parameters

Dynamic Genesis Potential Index

Mutual correlation coefficients among the 11 predictors and the predictant TCGF using ensemble mean of 5 reanalysis datasets with domain of $SSTA \geq 0$ on the 5° grid cells. Numbers in bold highlight absolute value of correlation coefficient is more than 0.3 or equal.

	Selected		Selected	Selected			Selected				
	V_s	V_{zs}	ω	ζ_a	f	ζ_r	U_y	U_x	R	V_{pot}	SST_a
<i>TCGF</i>	-0.40	0.27	0.39	0.42	0.35	0.26	0.16	0.14	0.30	0.25	0.33
V_s		-0.55	-0.36	0.08	0.17	-0.32	-0.31	-0.01	-0.44	-0.47	-0.51
V_{zs}			0.54	-0.26	-0.32	0.29	0.46	0.05	0.62	0.47	0.55
ω				-0.18	-0.25	0.33	0.39	0.24	0.84	0.63	0.65
ζ_a					0.96	-0.01	-0.36	0.07	-0.31	-0.24	-0.20
f						-0.27	-0.48	0.12	-0.39	-0.28	-0.25
ζ_r							0.51	-0.19	0.32	0.22	0.26
U_y								-0.03	0.46	0.38	0.35
U_x									0.06	0.24	0.26
R										0.56	0.57
V_{pot}											0.94

Dynamic Genesis Potential Index

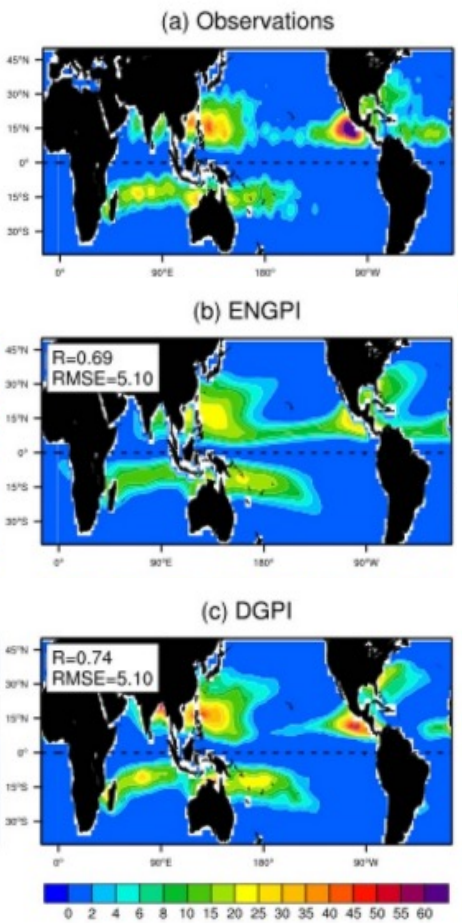
$$DGPI = (2.0 + 0.1 \times V_s)^{-1.7} \left(5.5 - \frac{du_{500}}{dy} \times 10^5 \right)^{2.3} (5.0 - 20 \times \omega_{500})^{3.4} (5.5 + |\zeta_{a850} \times 10^5|)^{2.4} e^{-11.8} - 1.0$$

Vertical
Wind
Shear

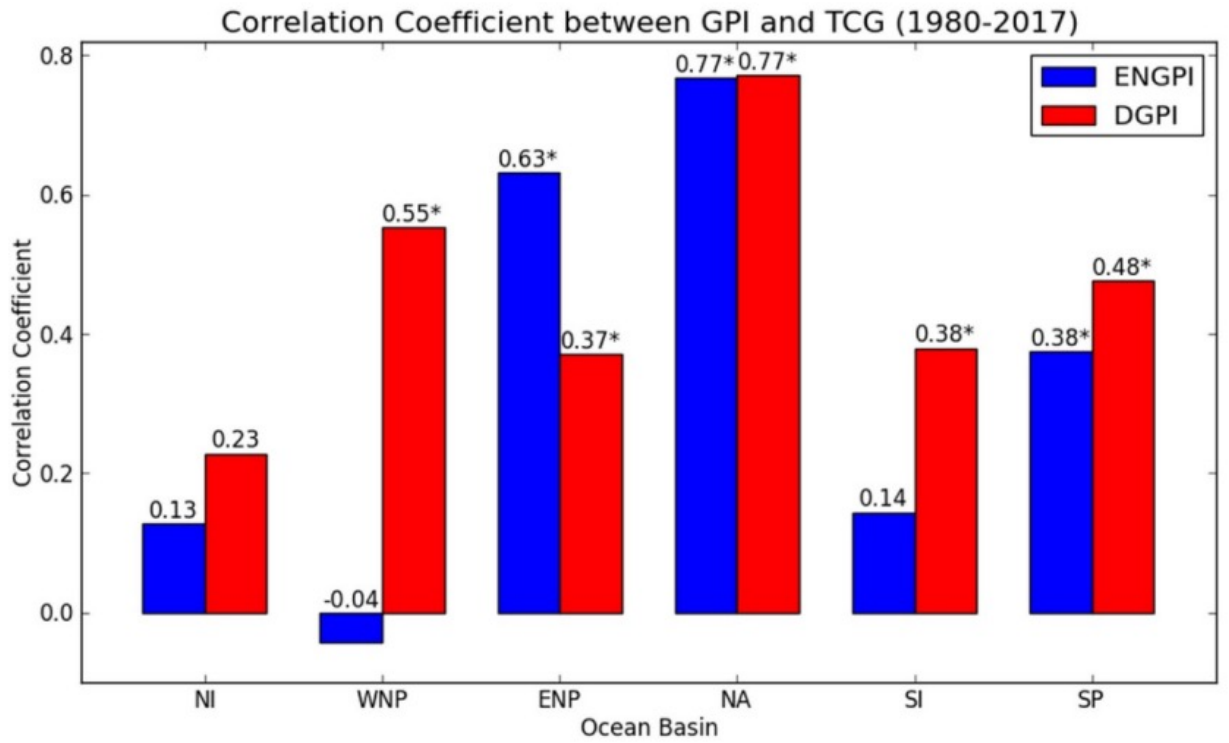
Mid-level
Vorticity

Vertical
Motion at
500 hPa

Absolute
Vorticity



Correlation for interannual variation of basin-total GPI and observed TC genesis number

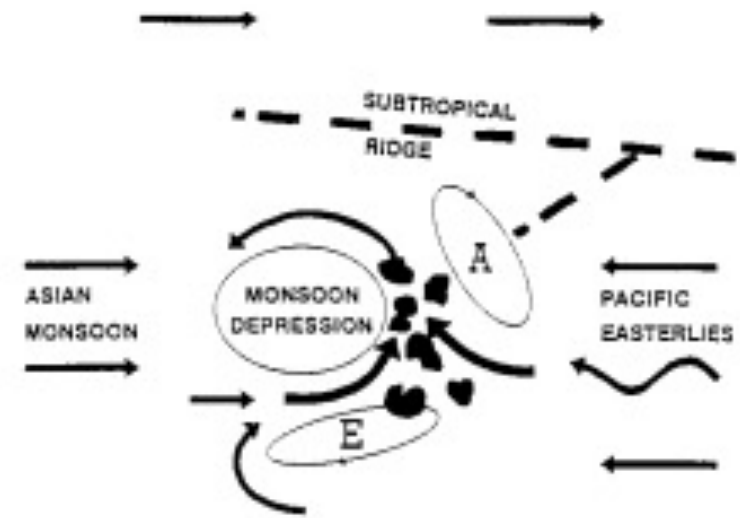
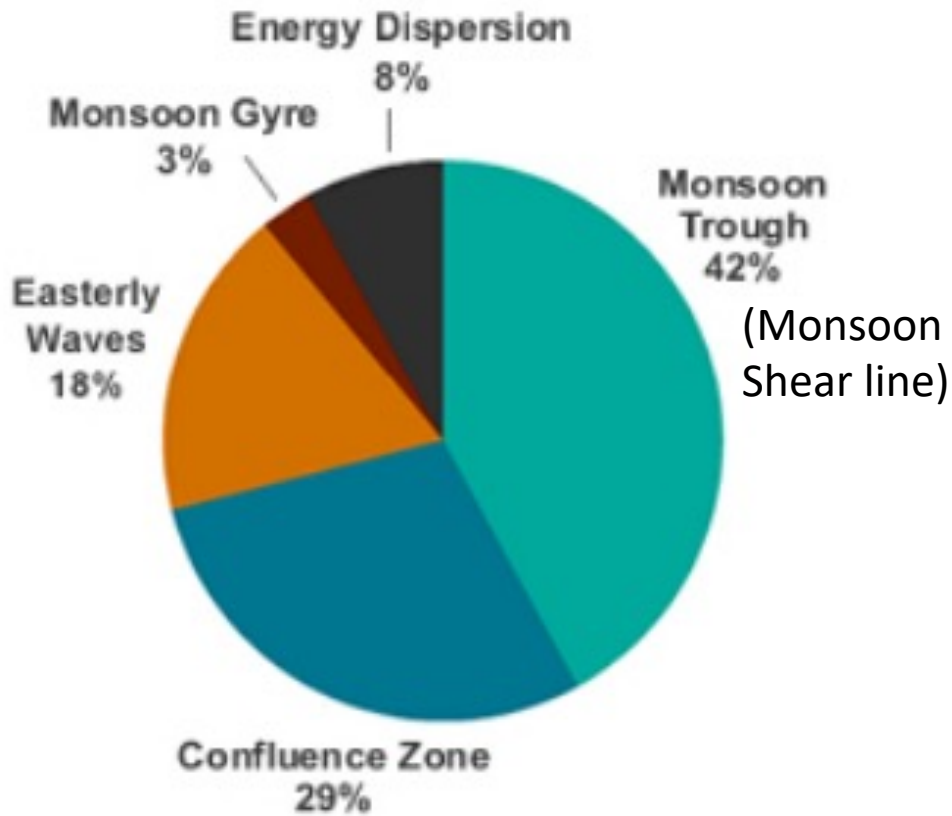


DGPI outperforms Emanuel and Nolan's GPI

Wang and Murakami (2020, *ERL*)

Large-scale flow patterns, equatorial waves for TCs in the western North Pacific

Ritchie and Holland (1999, *MWR*),
Yoshida and Ishikawa (2013, *MWR*)



& tropical upper-tropospheric troughs (TUTTs, Briegel and Frank, 1997)

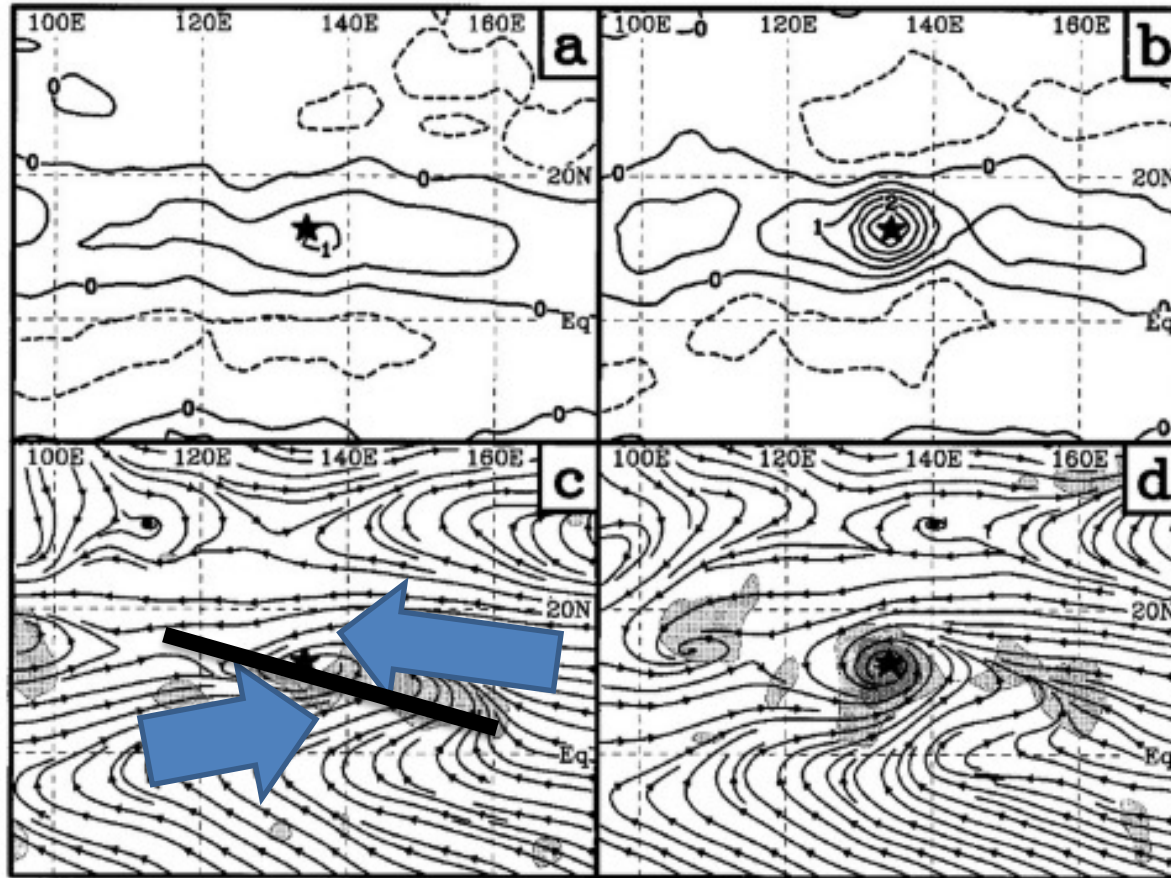
Monsoon Trough (Monsoon Shear Line, 42%)



-72 hours

0 hour (TC Genesis Time)

850hPa
Relative vorticity



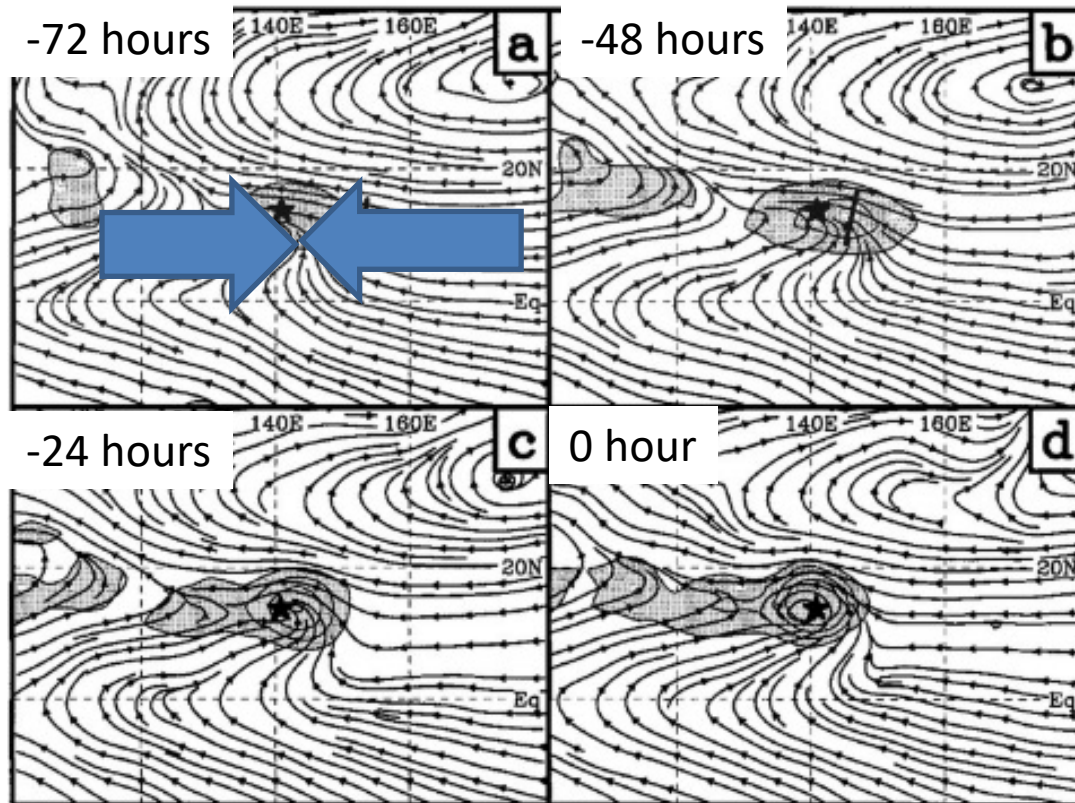
850hPa
Streamlines

South-westerly cross-equatorial flow meets with easterly trade winds, creating shear line and cyclonic circulation, triggering TC genesis

Confluence Zone (29%)



850hPa
Relative vorticity
& Streamlines



850hPa
Relative vorticity
& Streamlines

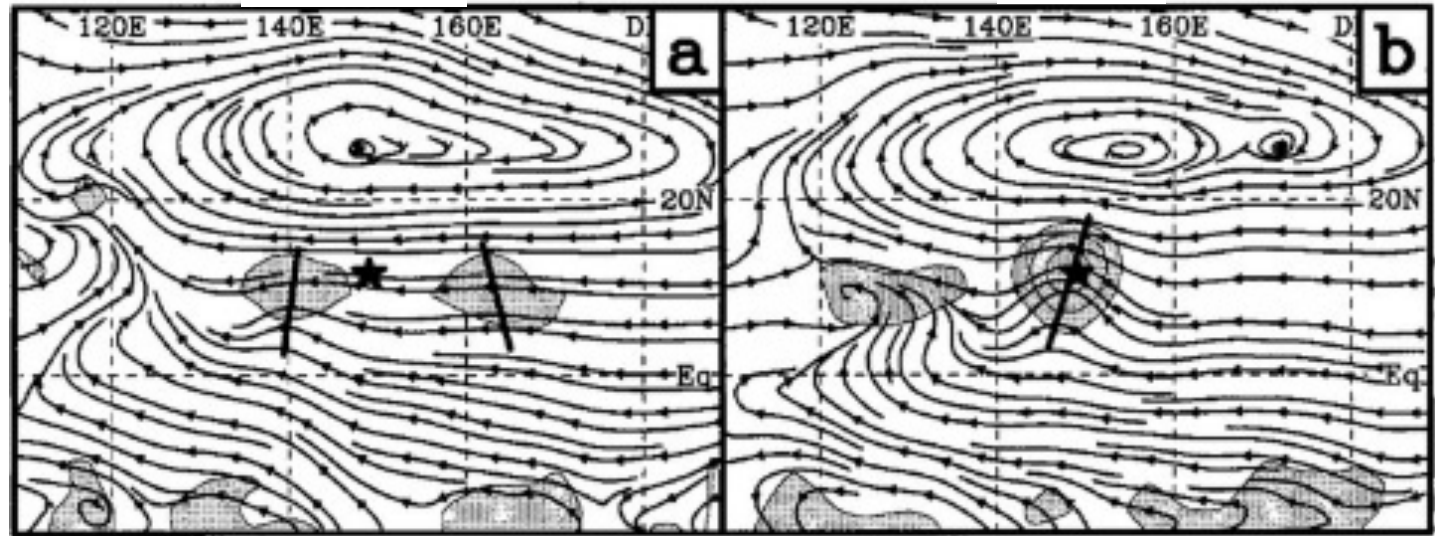
Westerlies (easterlies) prevail to the west (east) of the genesis location, creating convergence zone. Once this condition is established, Rossby waves from the east accumulate energy and enhance cyclonic circulations.

Easterly Waves (18%)



-72 hours

0 hour

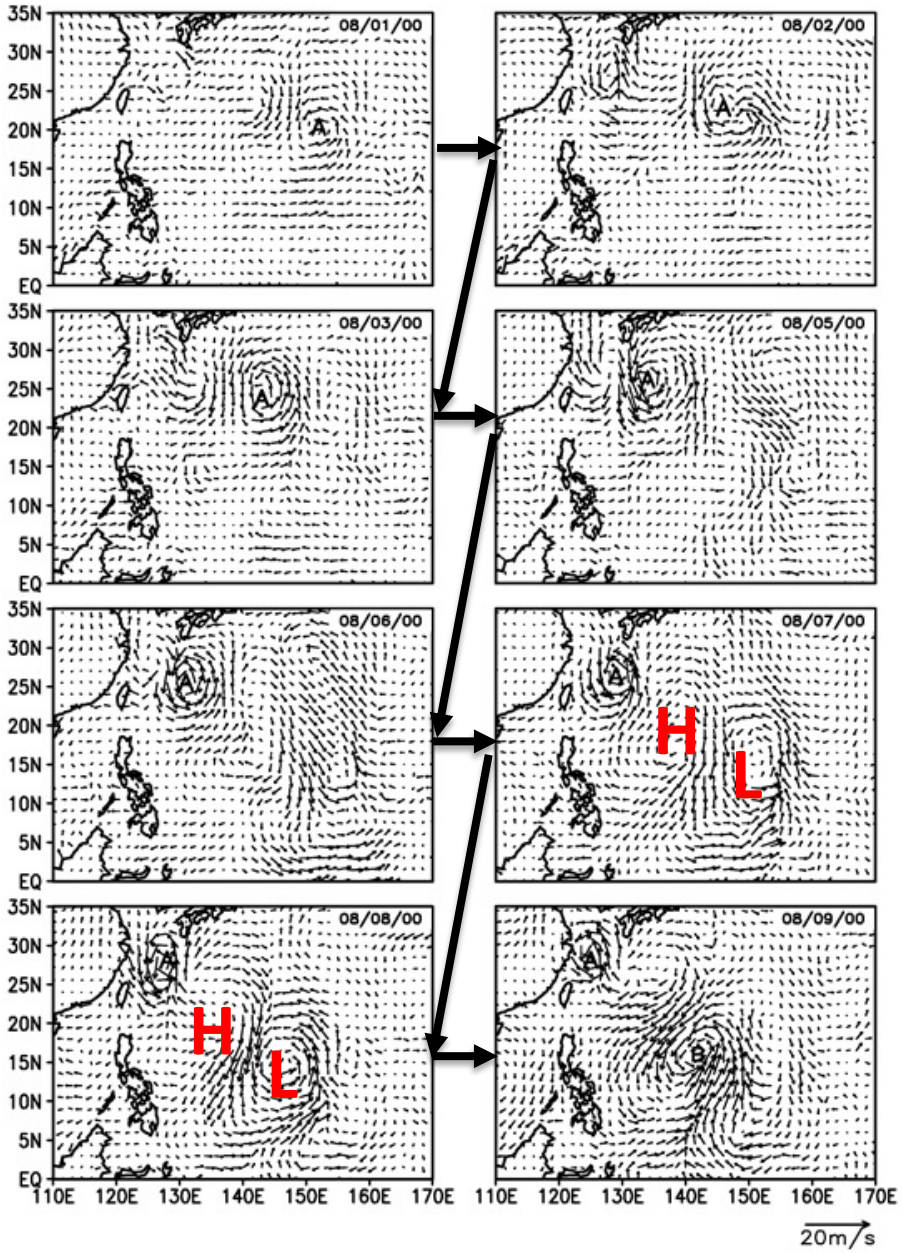


850hPa
Relative vorticity
& Streamlines

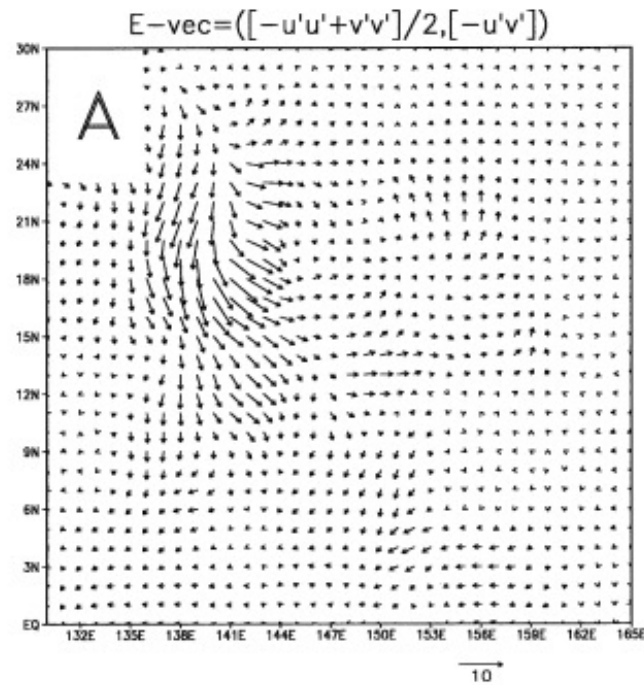
Westward-propagating disturbances are evident before genesis.

The convection associated with easterly waves tends to be short lived and less organized relative to the monsoon confluence region.

Energy Dispersion (8%)



“A”: Typhoon Jelawat in 2000.
 “B”: A new TC named Ewiniar



E vectors calculated from cyclone A (Li and Fu 2006)

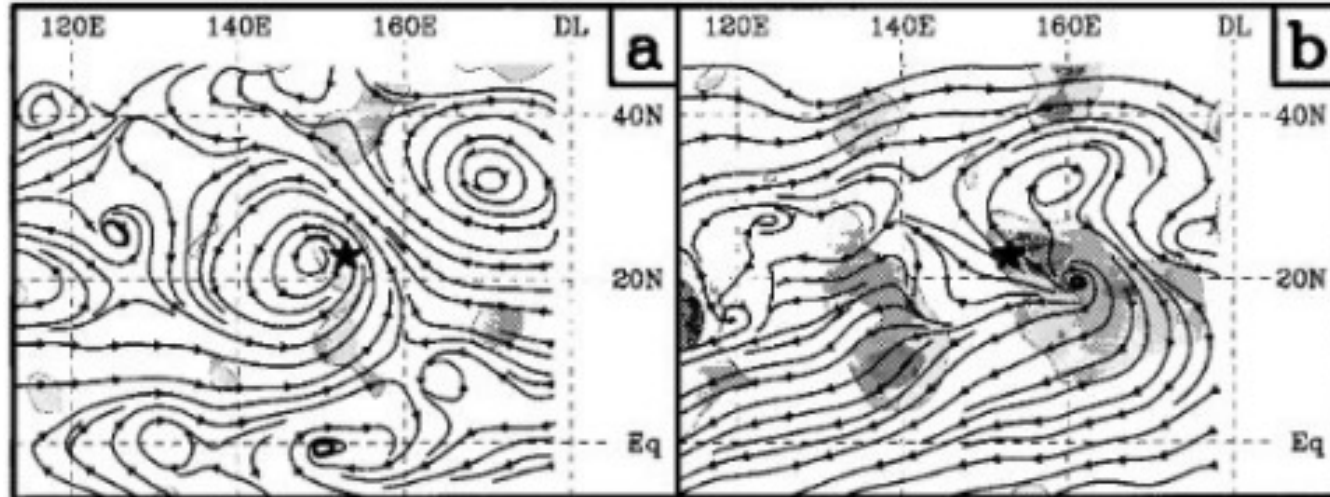
Li and Fu (2006, *JAS*)
 Ritchie and Holland (1999, *MWR*)

Monsoon Gyre (3%)



Streamlines at 850 hPa

Streamlines at 250 hPa

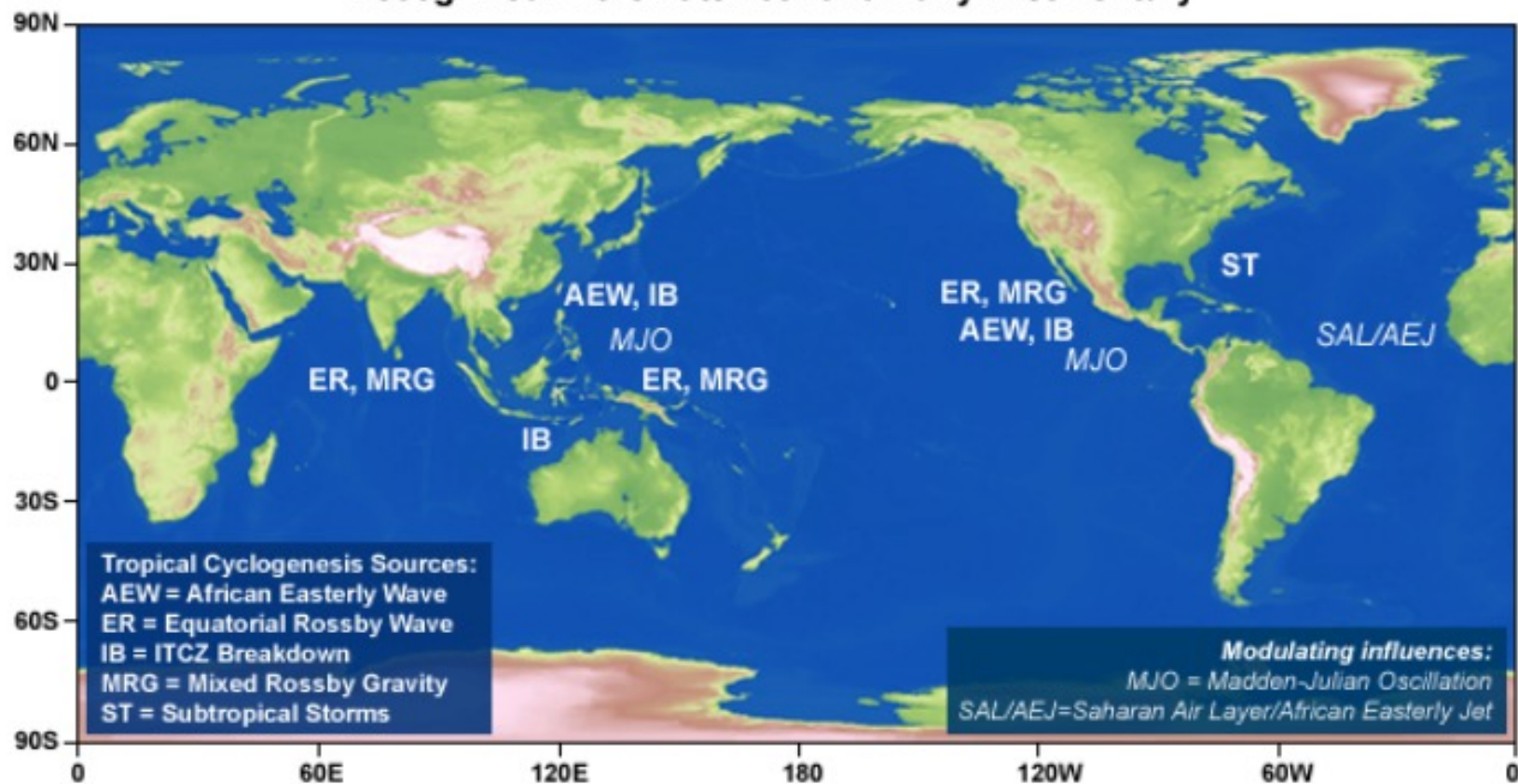


The monsoon gyre is a large low-level cyclonic vortex, accompanied by a large low-pressure center (Lander, 1994).

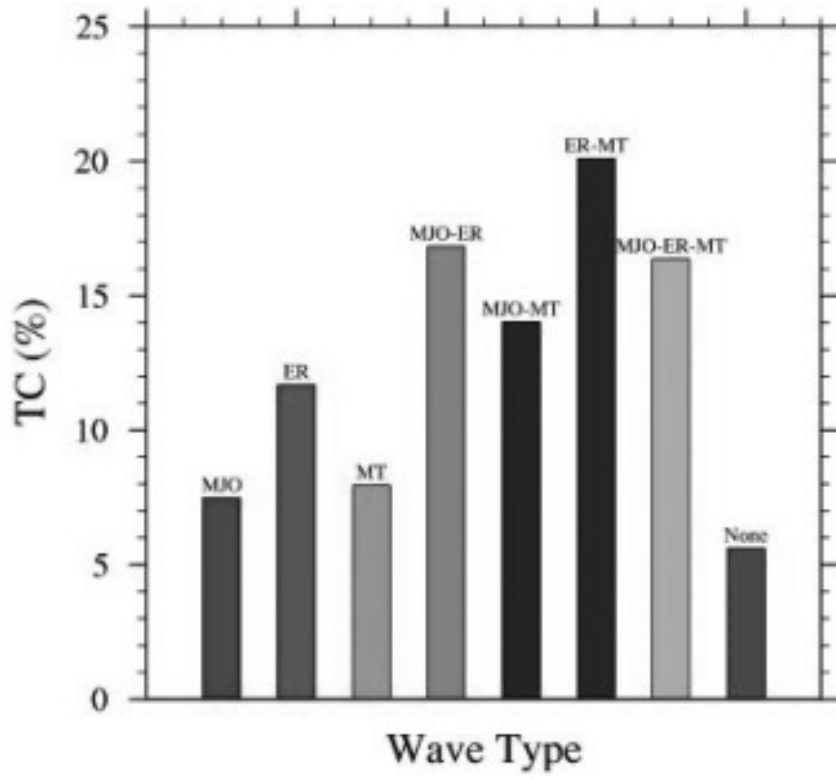
Lander (1994) also noted that a monsoon gyre is observed, on average, once every two years in the WNP.

Ritchie and Holland (1999, *MWR*)

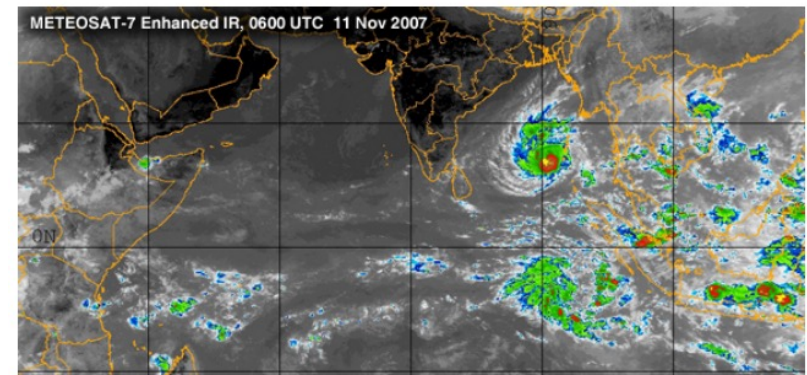
Sources of Tropical Cyclogenesis and Modulating Influences Recognized in the Late 20th and Early 21st Century



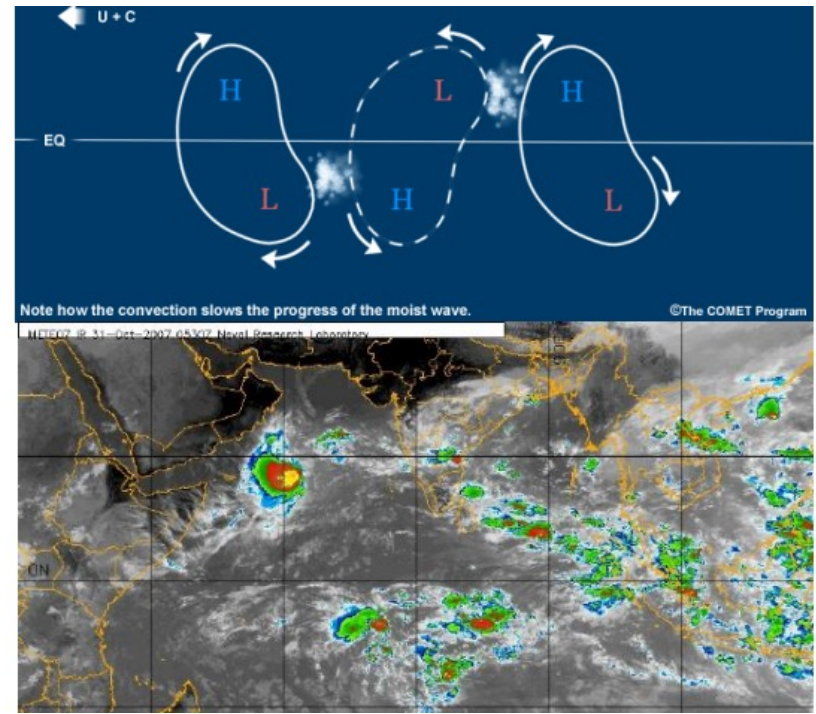
Effect of Tropical Waves on TCs



Twin TCs by Equatorial Rossby Waves (ER)

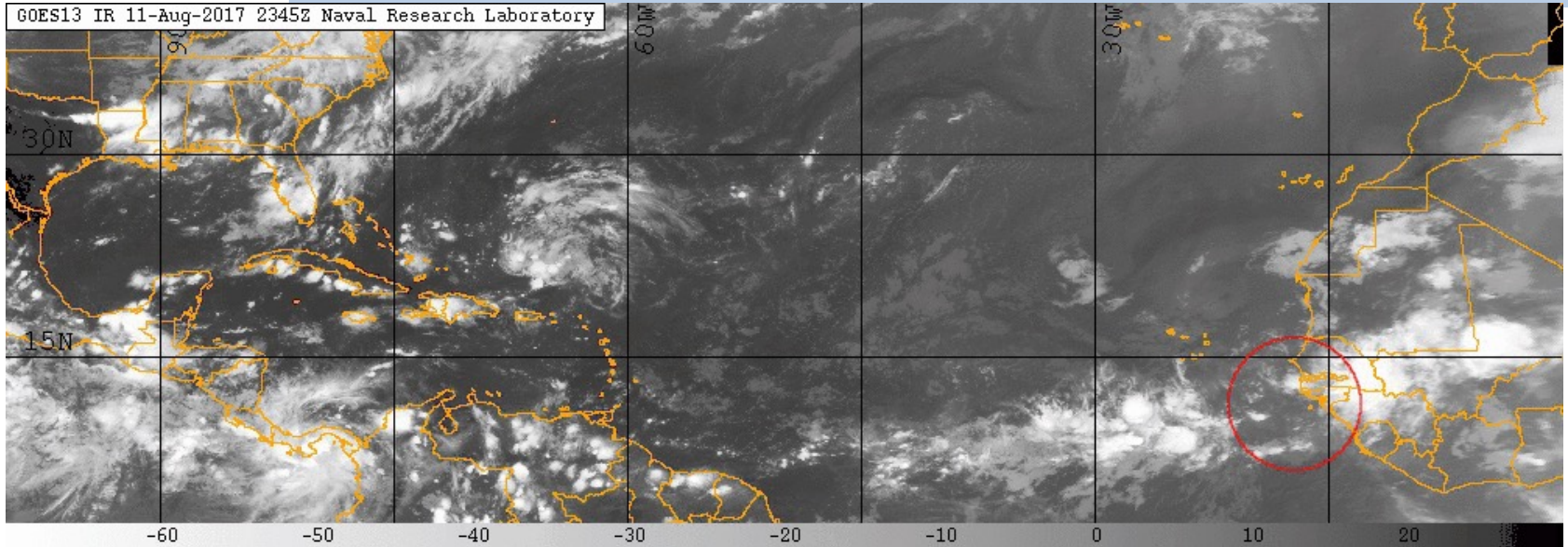


Alternate TCs by Mixed Rossby Waves (MT)



MJO: Madden Julian Oscillation
 ER: Equatorial Rossby waves,
 MT: Mixed Rossby-gravity waves
 + Tropical Depression

African Easterly Wave



African Easterly Wave

Low level disturbance with wet convection.

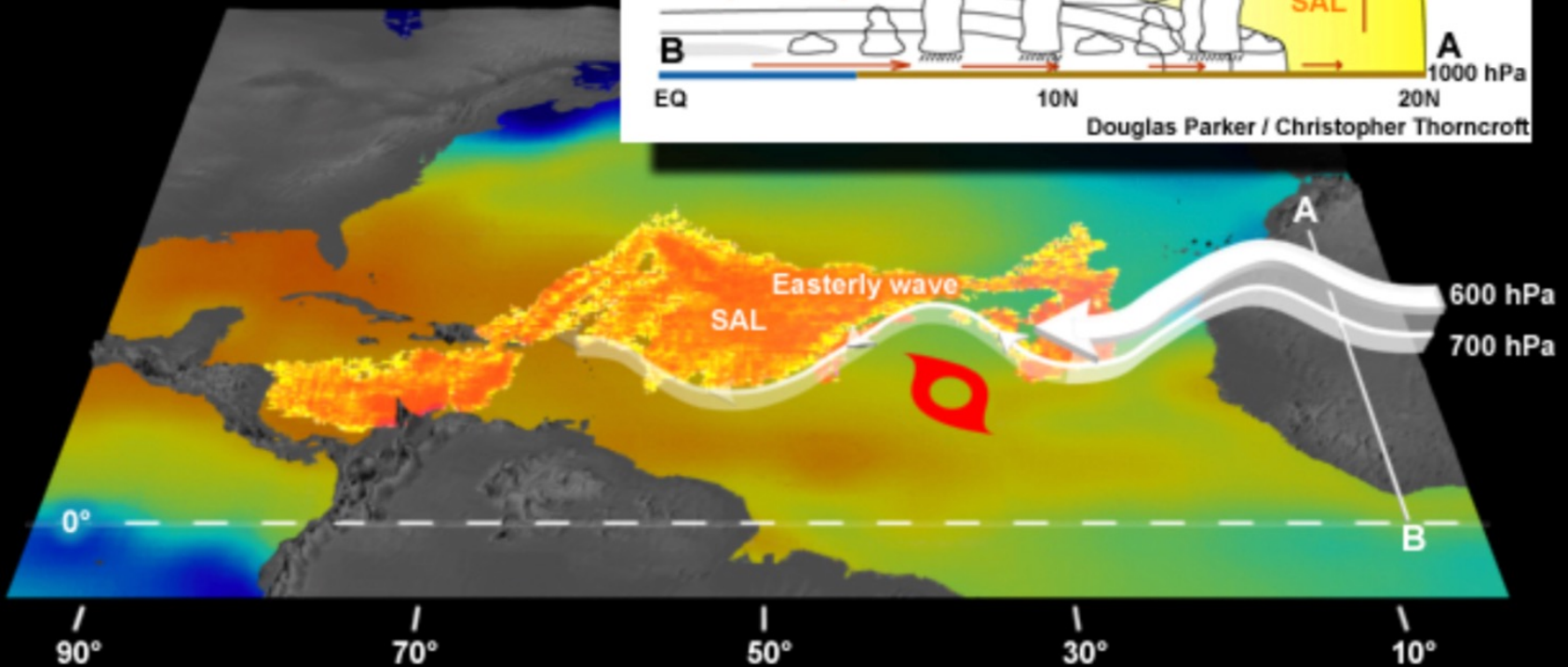
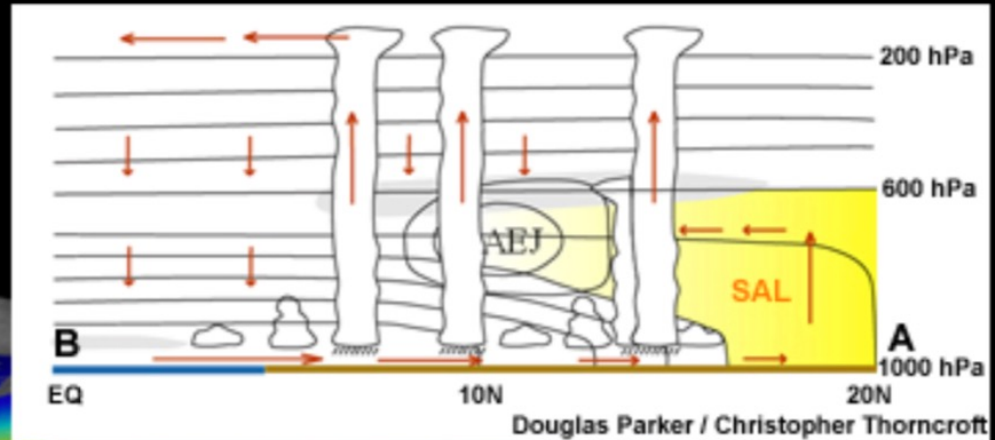
About 400 per hurricane season

Only 11 (about 3%) of total African Easterly waves can develop into tropical storms per season.



Saharan Air Layer (SAL, Dry air from the Sahara)

Influence of the Saharan Air Layer (SAL),
African Easterly Jet (AEJ),
and Easterly Wave on
Tropical Cyclogenesis



2. Tropical cyclone internal variability

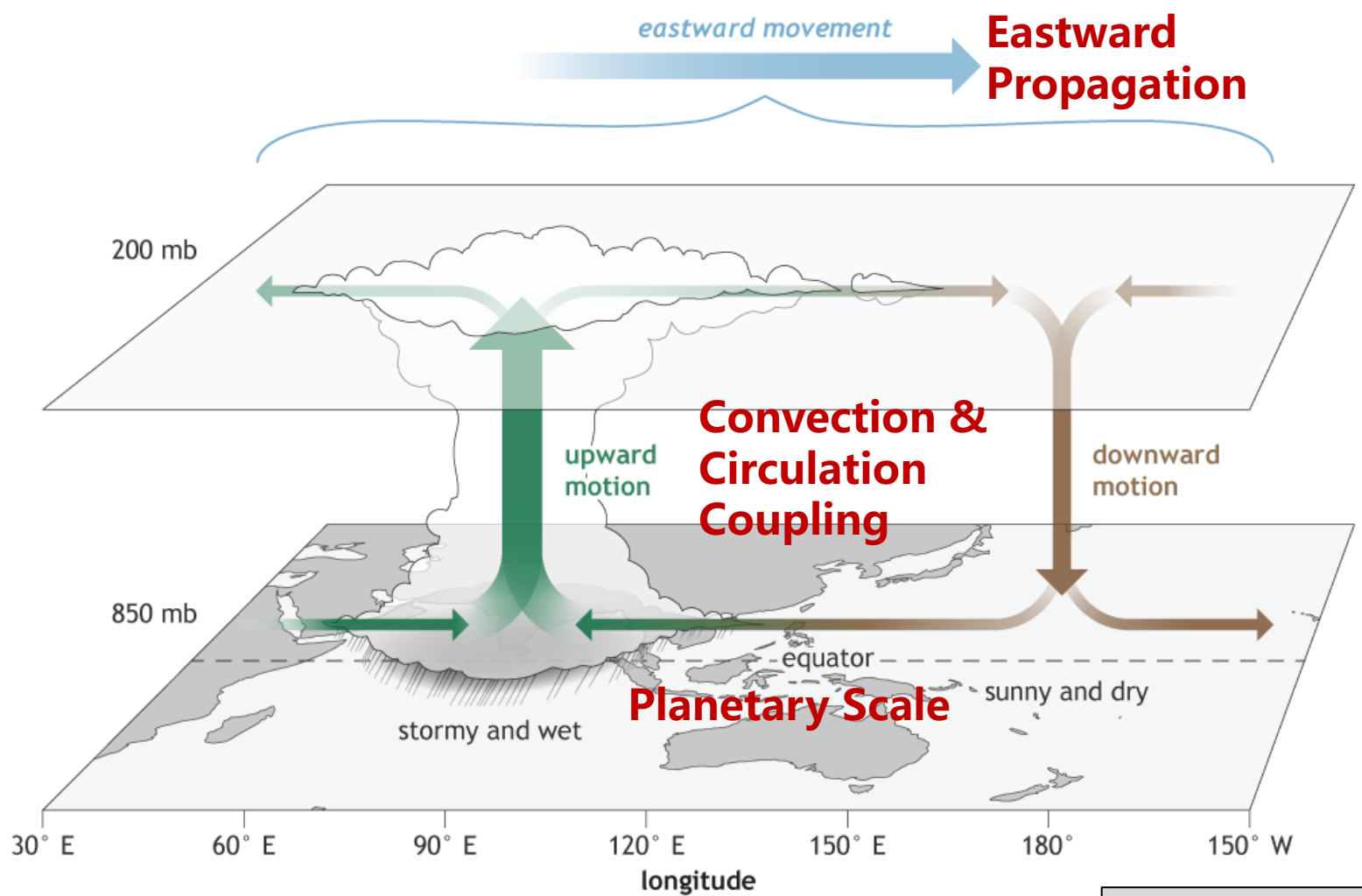
2.1. Intra-seasonal variability (Bi-weekly, MJO, BSISO)

2.2. Inter-annual variability (ENSO, PMM, AMM, IOD)

2.3. Decadal and multi-decadal variability (PDO, IPO, AMV)

Intraseasonal Variability (MJO)

MJO (Madden & Julian, 1971) 30-60-day period



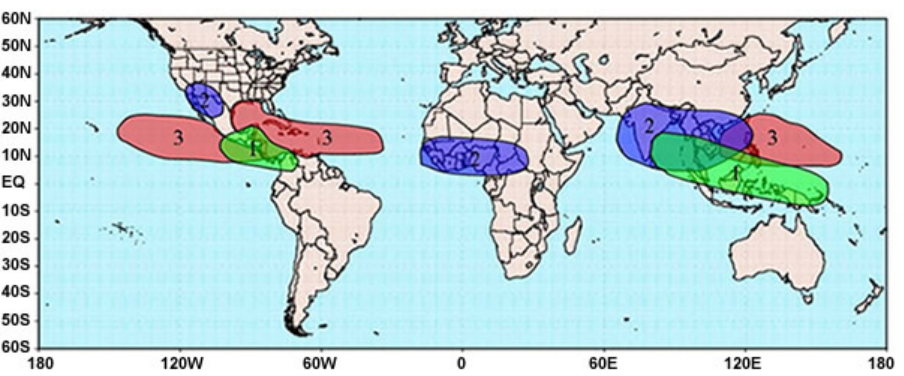
Madden-Julian Oscillation

NOAA Climate.gov

Madden and Julian (1972, JAS)

Impact of MJO on TCs

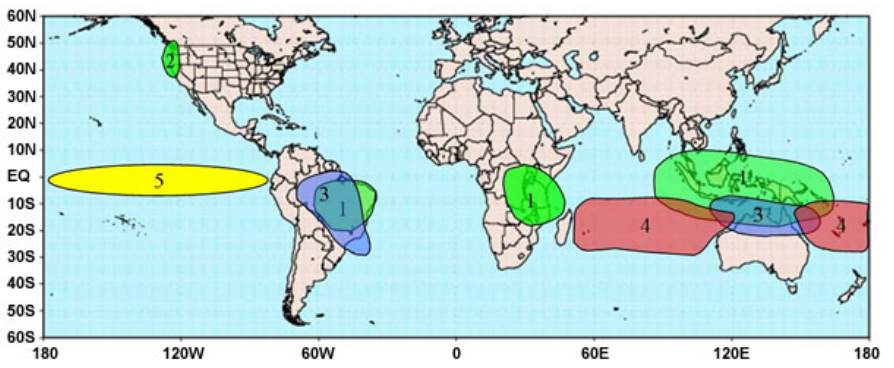
MJO Impacts during Boreal Summer



- 1 - Alternating wet/dry conditions
- 2 - Modulation of the monsoon
- 3 - Modulation of tropical cyclone activity

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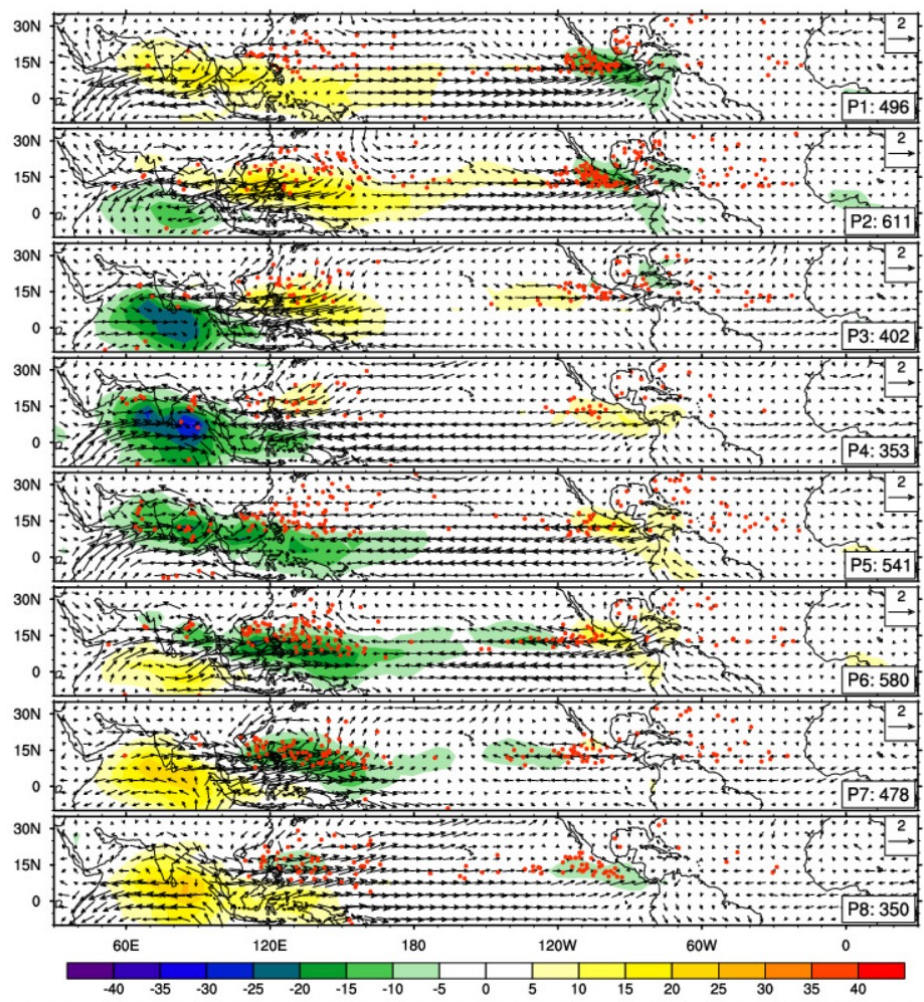
MJO Impacts during Boreal Winter



- 1 - Alternating wet/dry conditions
- 2 - Tropical moisture plume to higher latitudes
- 3 - Modulation of monsoon systems
- 4 - Modulation of tropical cyclone activity
- 5 - Modulation of ENSO through oceanic Kelvin waves

NOAA / CPC / NCEP / NWS

1979-2015: May to Oct

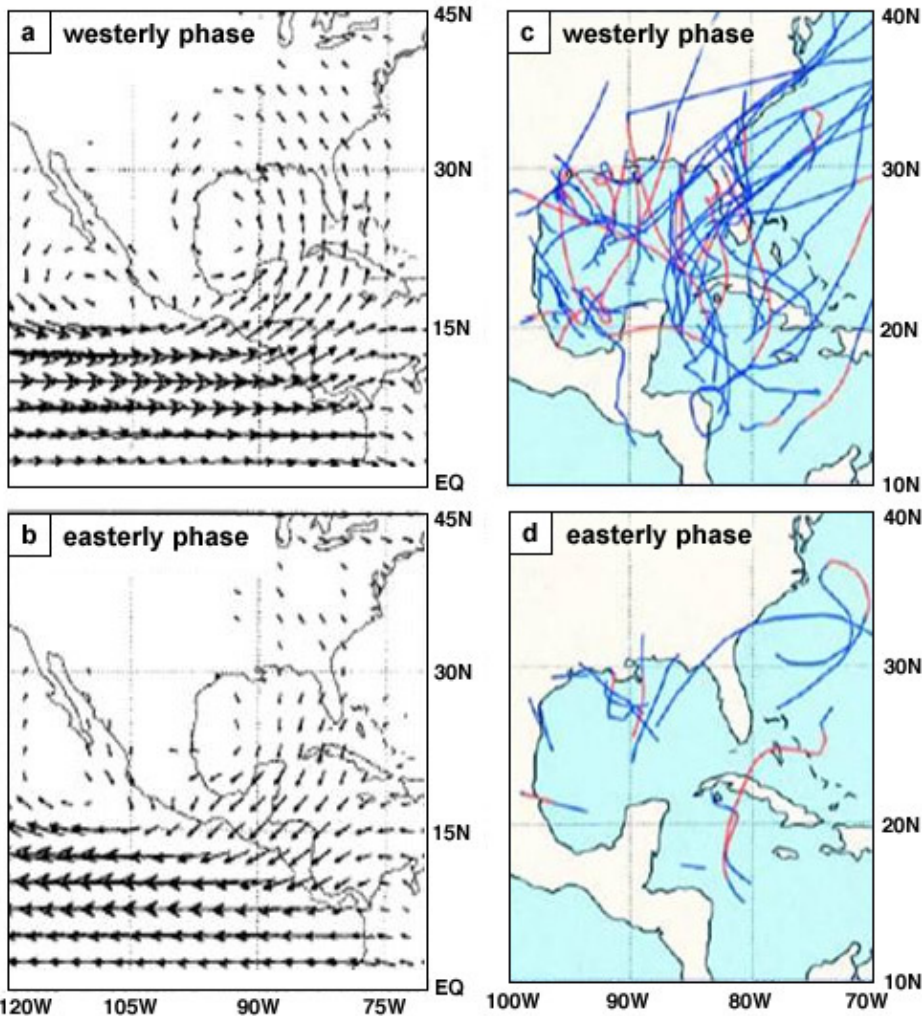


Red regions: Modulation of TCs by MJO

More TCs during active MJO phases

Impact of MJO on TCs over NA

MJO phase (by 850 hPa Wind Anomalies) and Tropical Cyclone Tracks



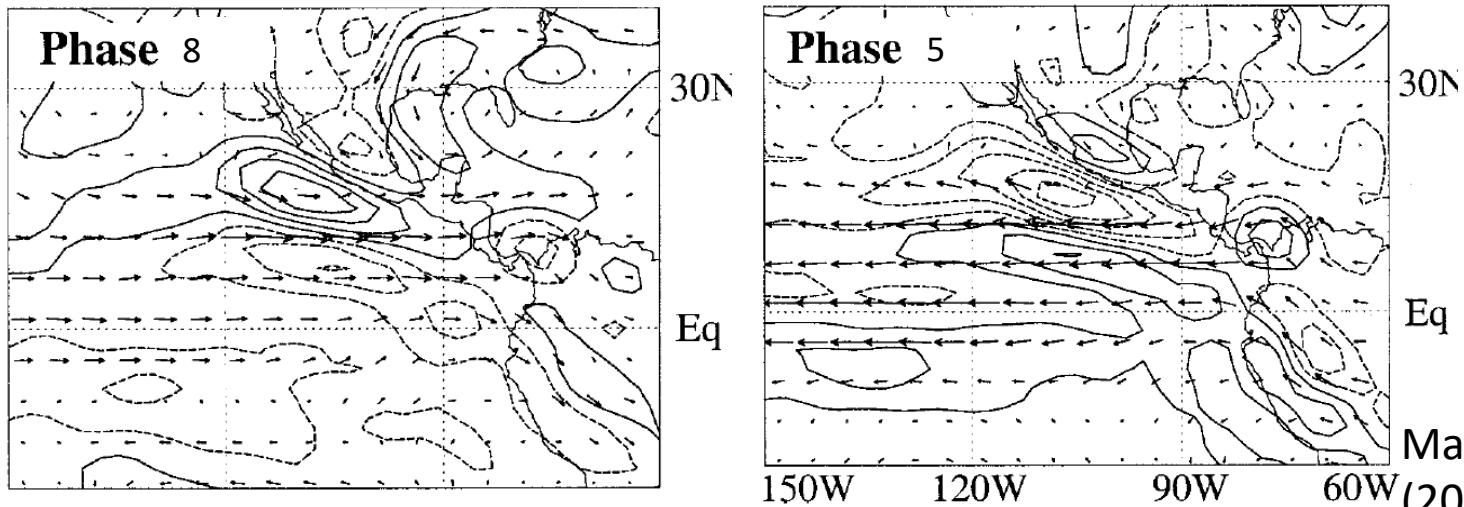
Maloney and Hartmann 2000

Phase	NS	H	MH	Basinwide ACE (%)	RI 24-h periods	RI chance (%)
1	7.4	4.7	2.0	19	13.9	50
2	10.2	7.3	3.4	21	17.9	49
3	8.2	3.1	2.1	11	4.5	19
4	8.6	6.3	2.0	17	11.3	38
5	5.9	3.5	1.5	9	8.1	48
6	5.8	3.3	0.8	7	3.3	17
7	3.7	1.8	1.1	6	4.8	40
8	6.2	2.9	1.1	10	7.3	35
Phase 1-8 avg	7.1	4.3	1.8	12	9.5	39

Klotzbach (2014, *J. Climate*)

Maloney and Hartmann (2000a, *Science*)

Impact of MJO on TCs over ENP



Maloney and Hartmann
(2000b, *J. Climate*)

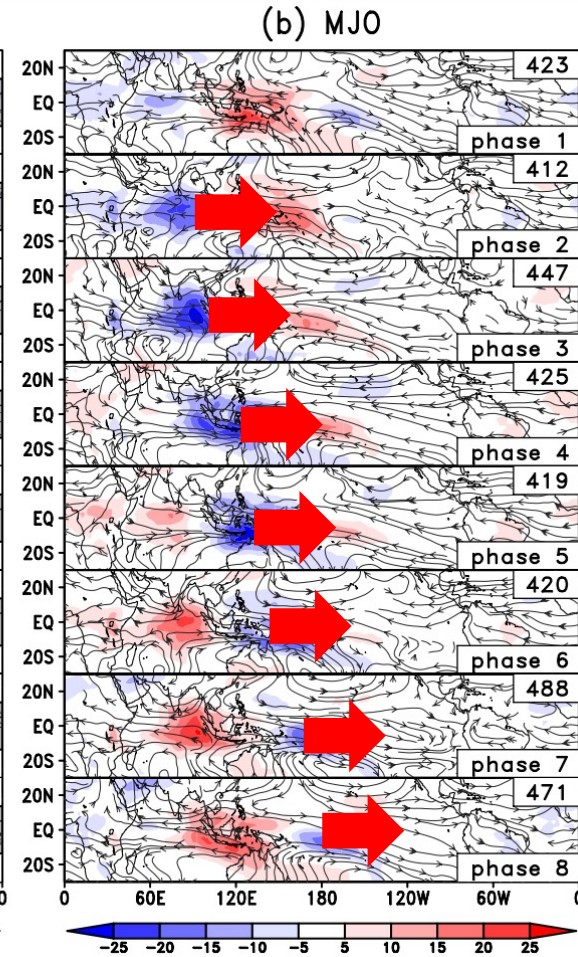
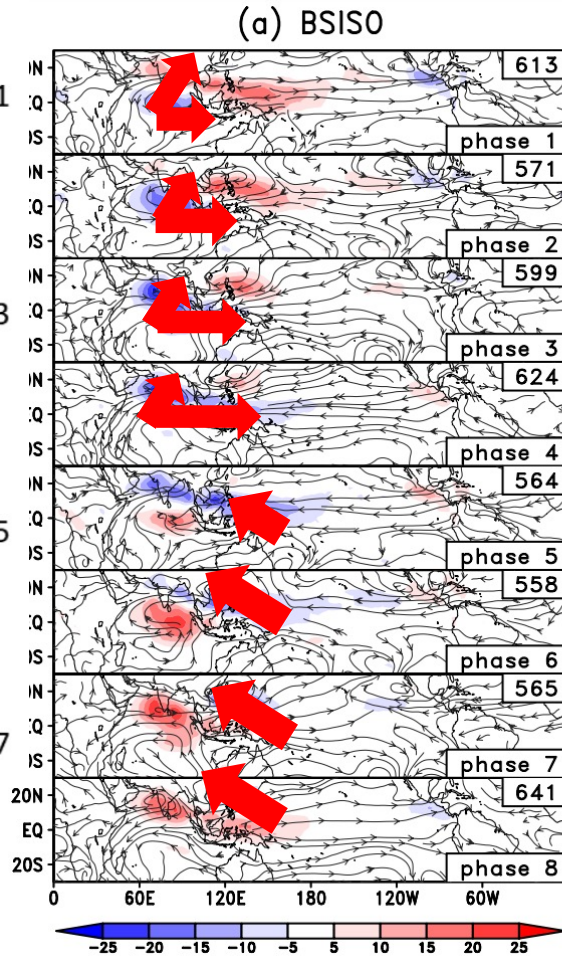
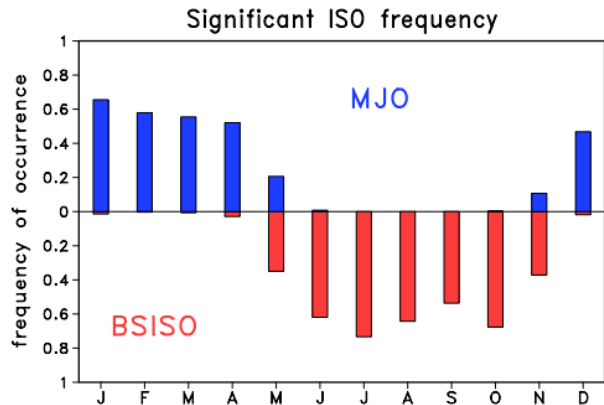
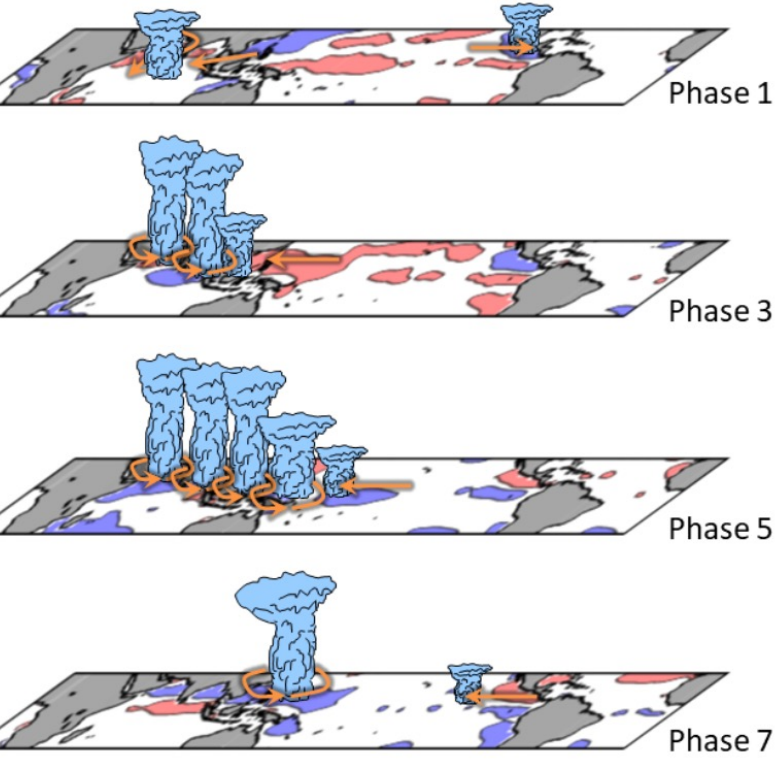
Composites of 30–60-day filtered 850-hPa wind anomalies (vectors in m s^{-1}) and relative vorticity (contours) in different MJO phases.

Phase	NS	H	MH	Basinwide ACE (%)	RI 24-h periods	RI chance (%)
1	12.4	7.3	2.9	15	17.5	37
2	9.0	4.8	2.9	11	14.0	35
3	7.7	4.0	0.8	7	7.3	37
4	7.3	3.7	2.0	8	13.0	41
5	4.9	2.2	1.3	5	5.1	27
6	9.3	4.8	2.4	12	11.4	34
7	13.0	7.3	4.5	20	22.4	50
8	14.0	8.6	4.5	21	23.3	41
Phase 1–8 avg	9.6	5.2	2.6	12	13.9	38

Klotzbach (2014, *J. Climate*)

Impact of BSISO on TCs over WNP

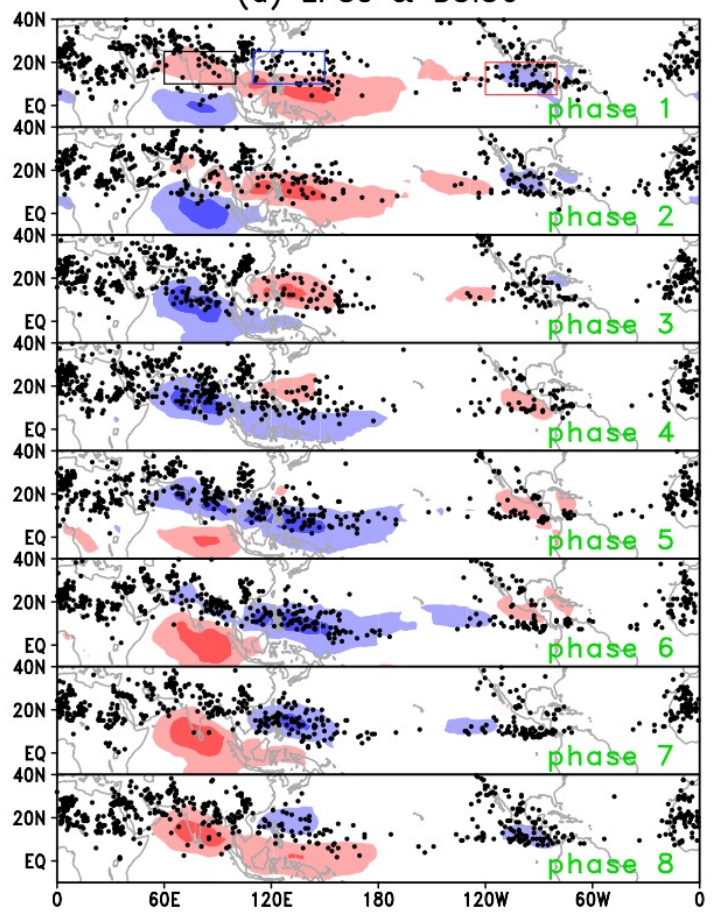
Boreal Summer Intraseasonal Oscillation (BSISO)



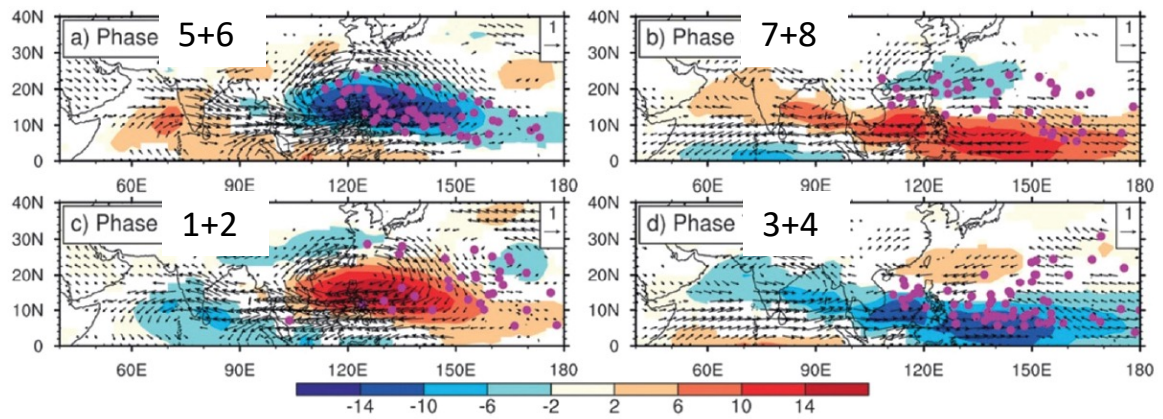
Kikuchi (2021, *JMSJ*)

Impact of BSISO on TCs over WNP

(a) LPSs & BSISO



Kikuchi (2021, *JMSJ*)



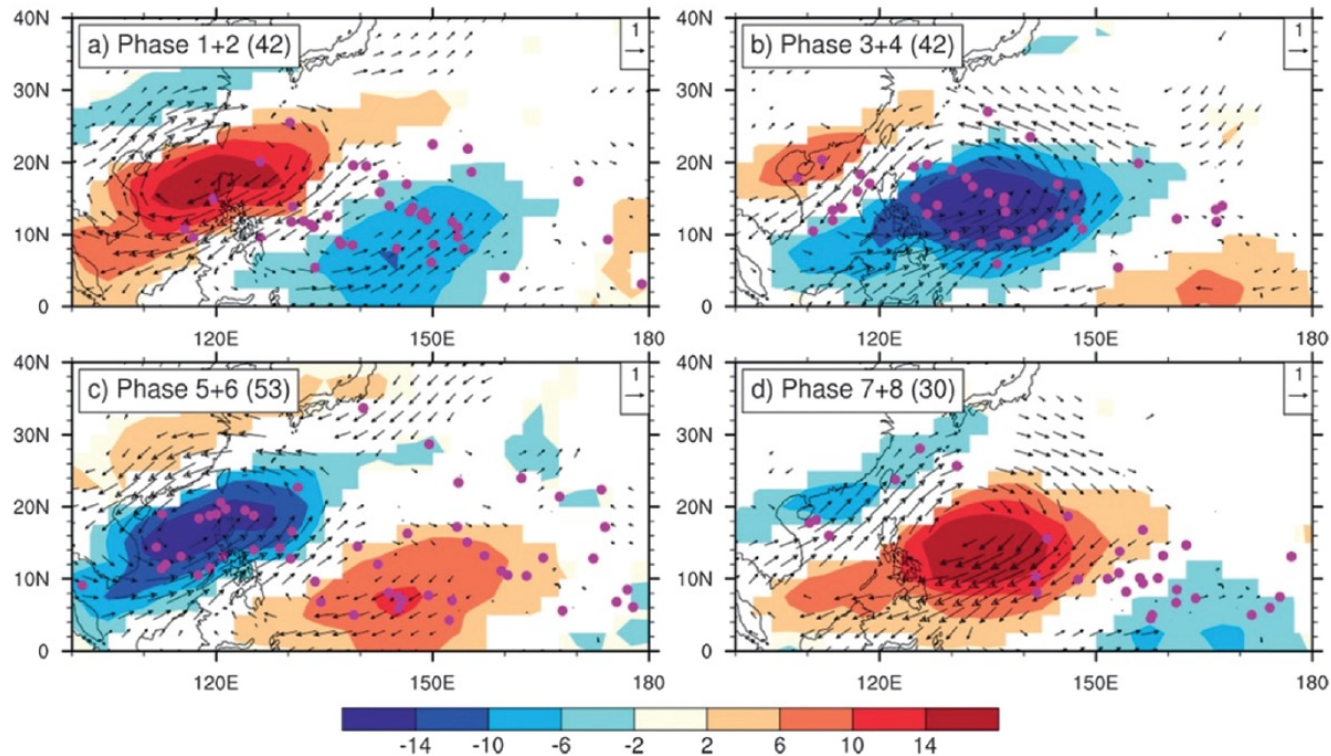
Li and Zhou (2013, *J. Climate*)

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1	9.5	7.3	3.8	12	19.2	49
2	8.4	6.3	3.2	9	16.8	57
3	6.1	3.5	1.7	6	12.1	43
4	9.0	4.7	2.9	8	15.3	35
5	15.7	9.3	4.6	14	23.5	36
6	18.0	11.8	4.8	17	27.6	34
7	15.2	11.1	7.0	21	33.5	50
8	9.5	6.6	3.7	12	22.6	55
Phase 1-8 avg	11.6	7.7	3.9	12	21.2	43

Klotzbach (2014, *J. Climate*)

The 10–20-day quasi-biweekly oscillation (QBWO)

Li and Zhou (2013) found that 23% (20%) of TCs in the WNP are associated with the active MJO (QBWO).



Composites of 10–20-day filtered OLR anomalies (shading in $W m^{-2}$) and 850-hPa wind anomalies (vector in $m s^{-1}$).

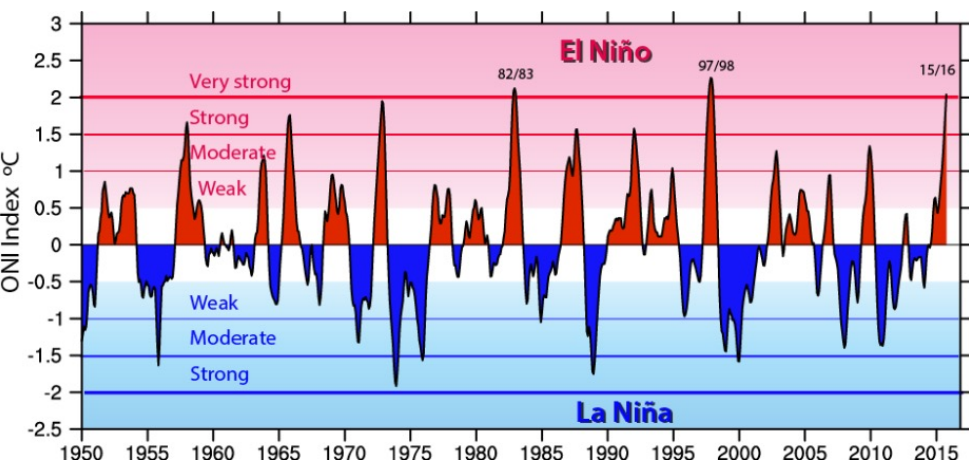
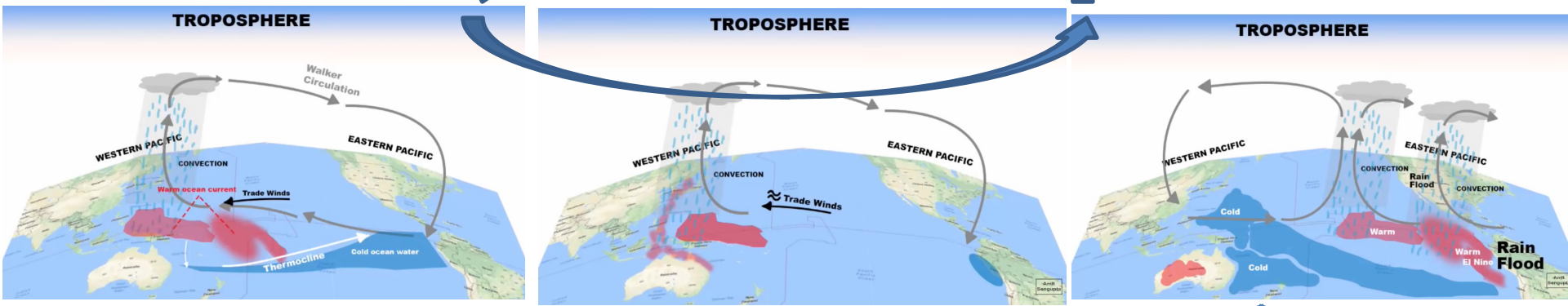
Interannual Variation (ENSO)

El Niño-Southern Oscillation (ENSO)

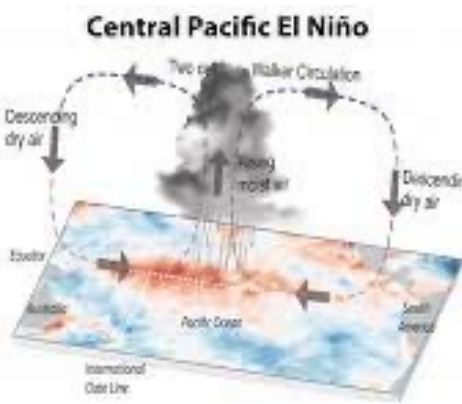
La Niña

Neutral

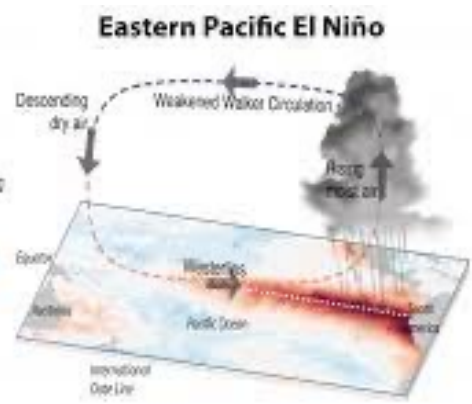
El Niño



Oscillates with 3-7-year period

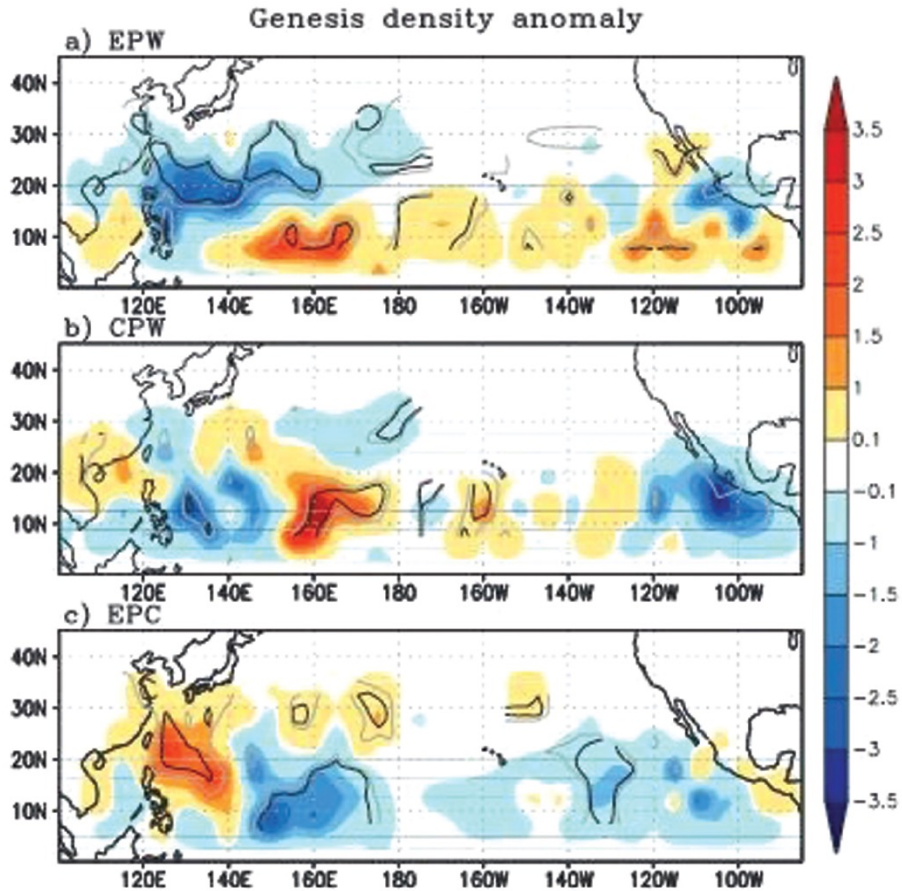


CP-EI Niño



EP-EI Niño

Effect of ENSO on TCs over the Pacific



South-eastward shift in TC genesis during EP-El Nino over the WNP
(Wang and Chan 2002, *J. Climate*)

Large reduction of TCs over the Eastern Pacific during CP-El Nino

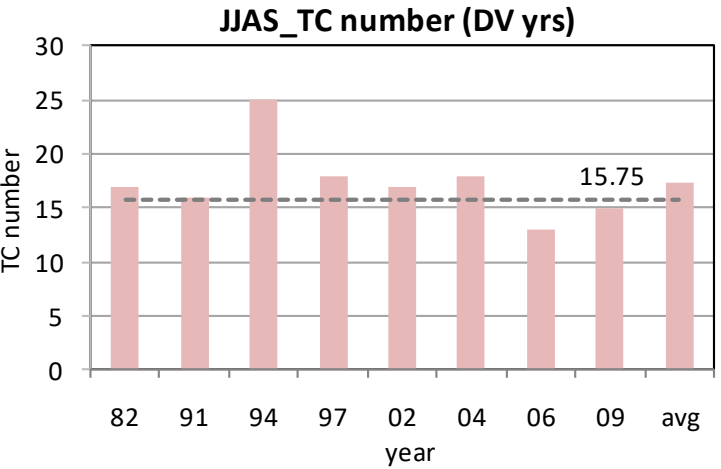
North-westward shift in TC genesis during La Nina (Wang and Chan 2002, *J. Climate*)

Composite of TC genesis density anomalies in JASO over the Pacific

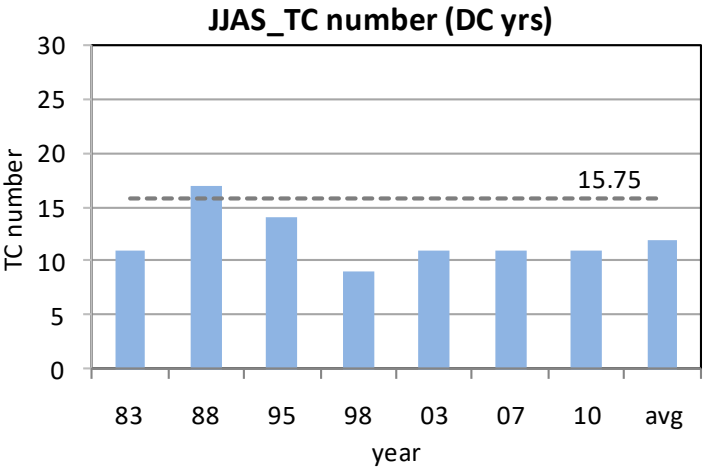
Kim et al. (2011, *J. Climate*)

Effect of El Nino phase on TCs over the WNP

El Nino Developing Year (T+0)

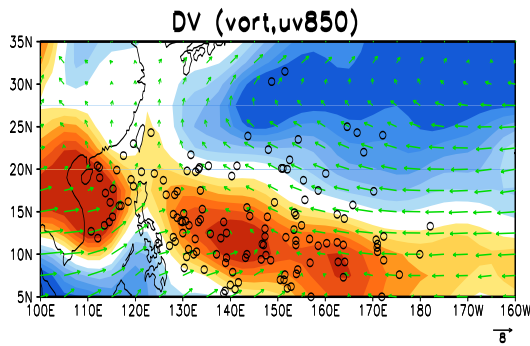


El Nino Decaying Year (T+1)

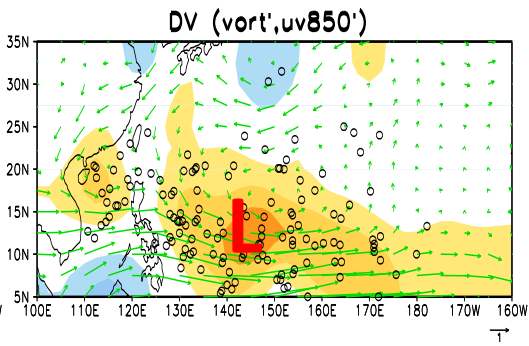


Developing Phase

Relative vorticity

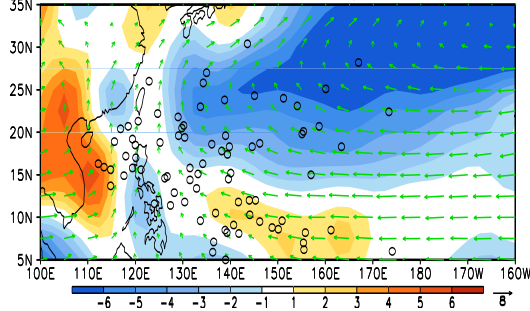


Relative Vorticity anomaly

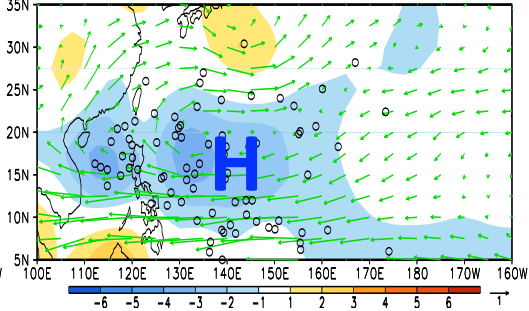


Decay Phase

Relative vorticity

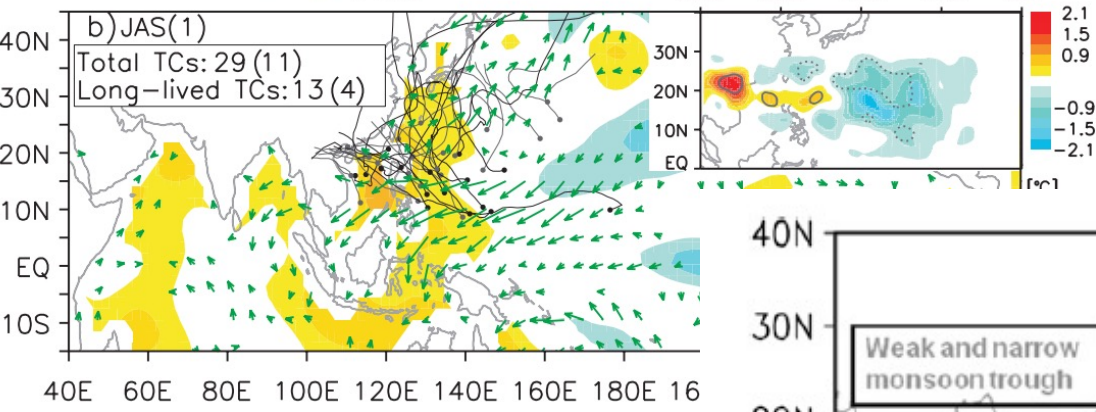
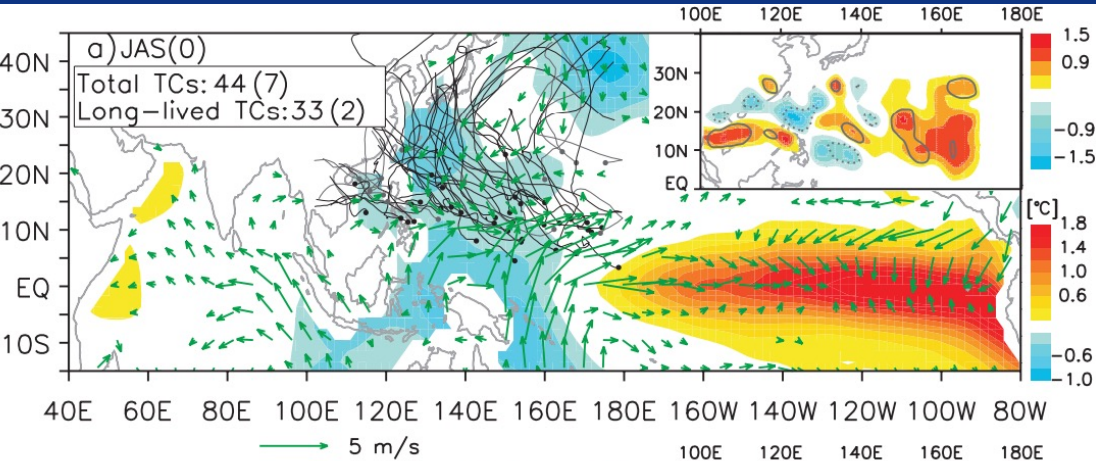


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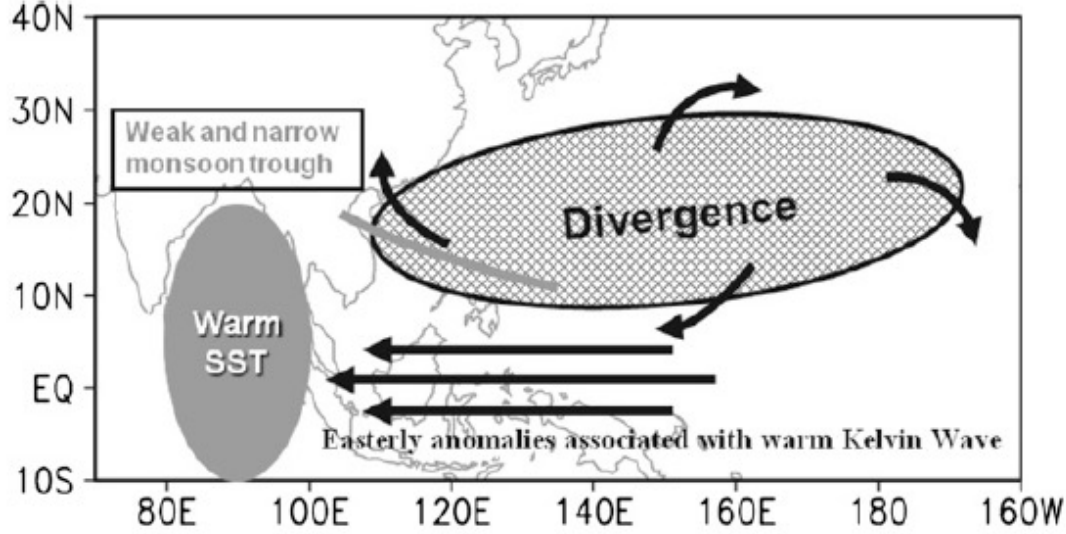
TCs are active in El Nino developing phase.
 TCs are inactive during El Nino decaying phase.

Effect of Indian Ocean Warming on TCs over the WNP



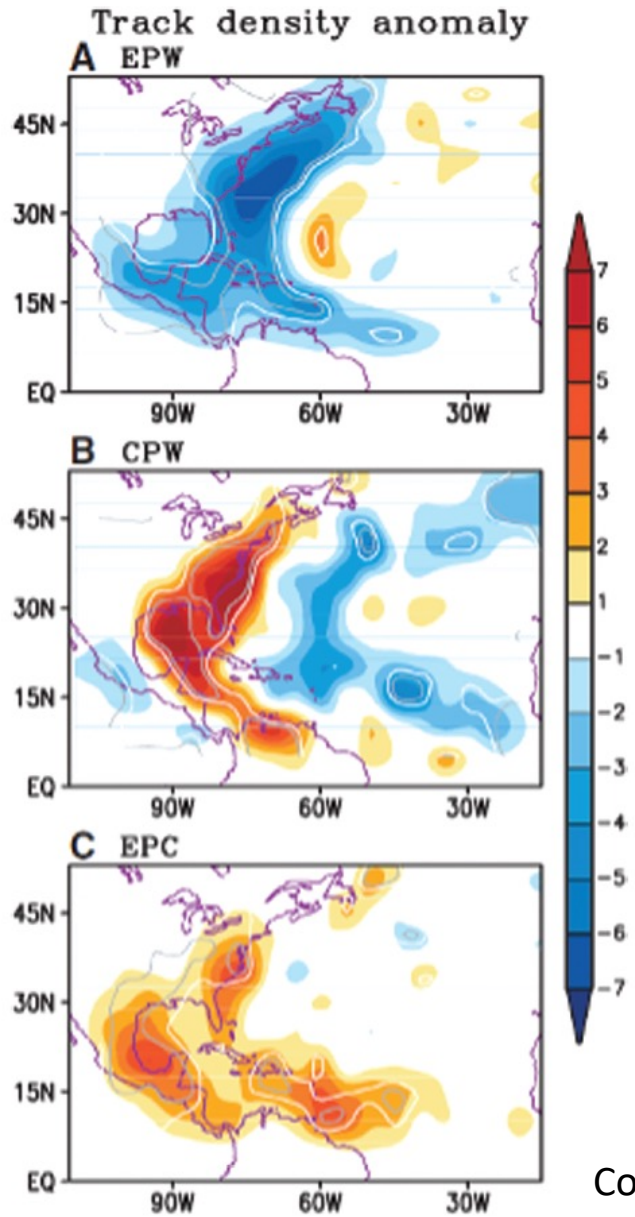
Warm Indian Ocean
 ->
 Unfavorable TCs over WNP

Du et al. (2011, J. Climate)



Zhan et al. (2011, J. Climate)

Effect of ENSO on TCs over the North Atlantic



EP-El Nino : Overall reduction of TCs

CP-El Nino : More TCs near the US coast

La Nina : Overall increase in TCs

Composite of TC genesis density anomalies in JASO over the North Atlantic Kim et al. (2009, *Science*)

GPI analysis for key large-scale variables for ENSO and TCs

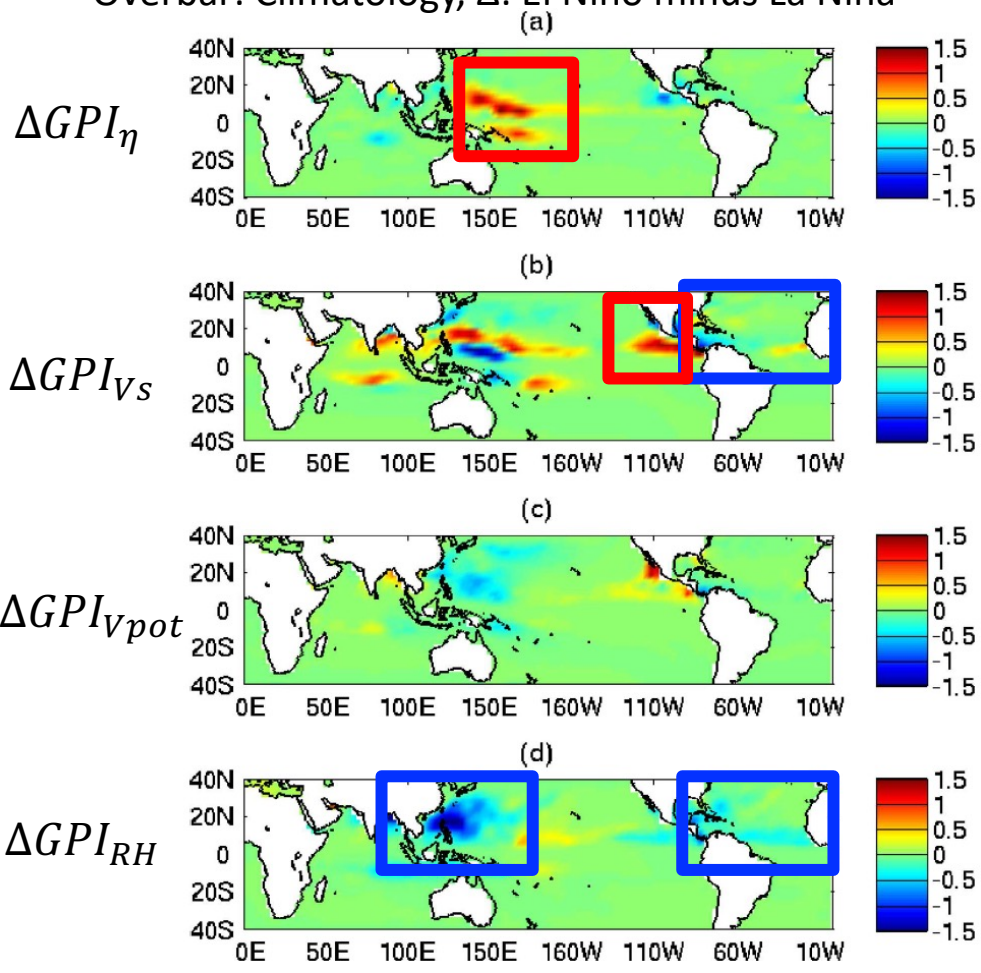
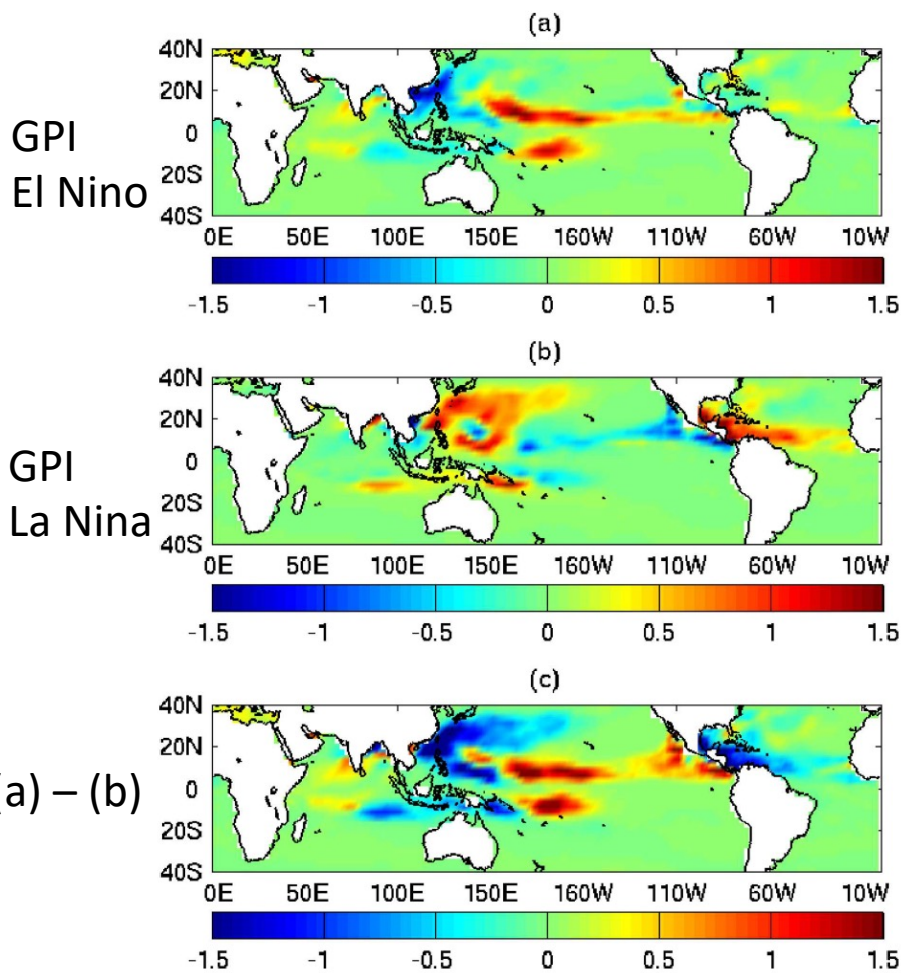
$$GPI = |10^5 \eta|^{\frac{3}{2}} \left(\frac{RH}{50}\right)^3 \left(\frac{V_{pt}}{70}\right)^3 (1 + 0.1V_s)^{-2}$$

Address influential variables in GPI

$$\Delta GPI \approx \Delta F1 \cdot \overline{F2 \cdot F3 \cdot F4} + \Delta F2 \cdot \overline{F1 \cdot F3 \cdot F4} +$$

$$\Delta F3 \cdot \overline{F1 \cdot F2 \cdot F4} + \Delta F4 \cdot \overline{F1 \cdot F2 \cdot F3},$$

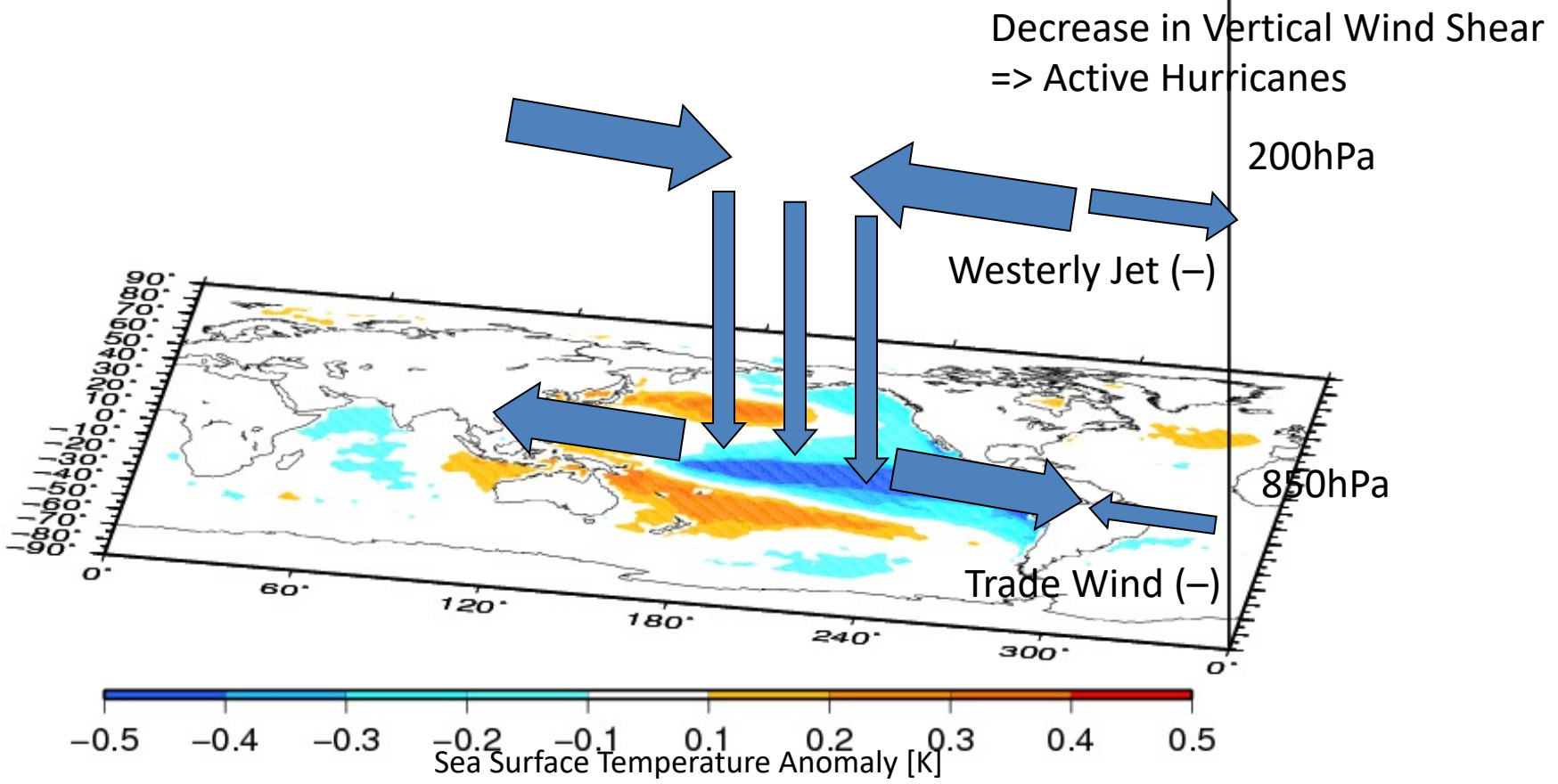
Overbar: Climatology, Δ : El Nino minus La Nina



Effect of ENSO on NA & ENP TCs



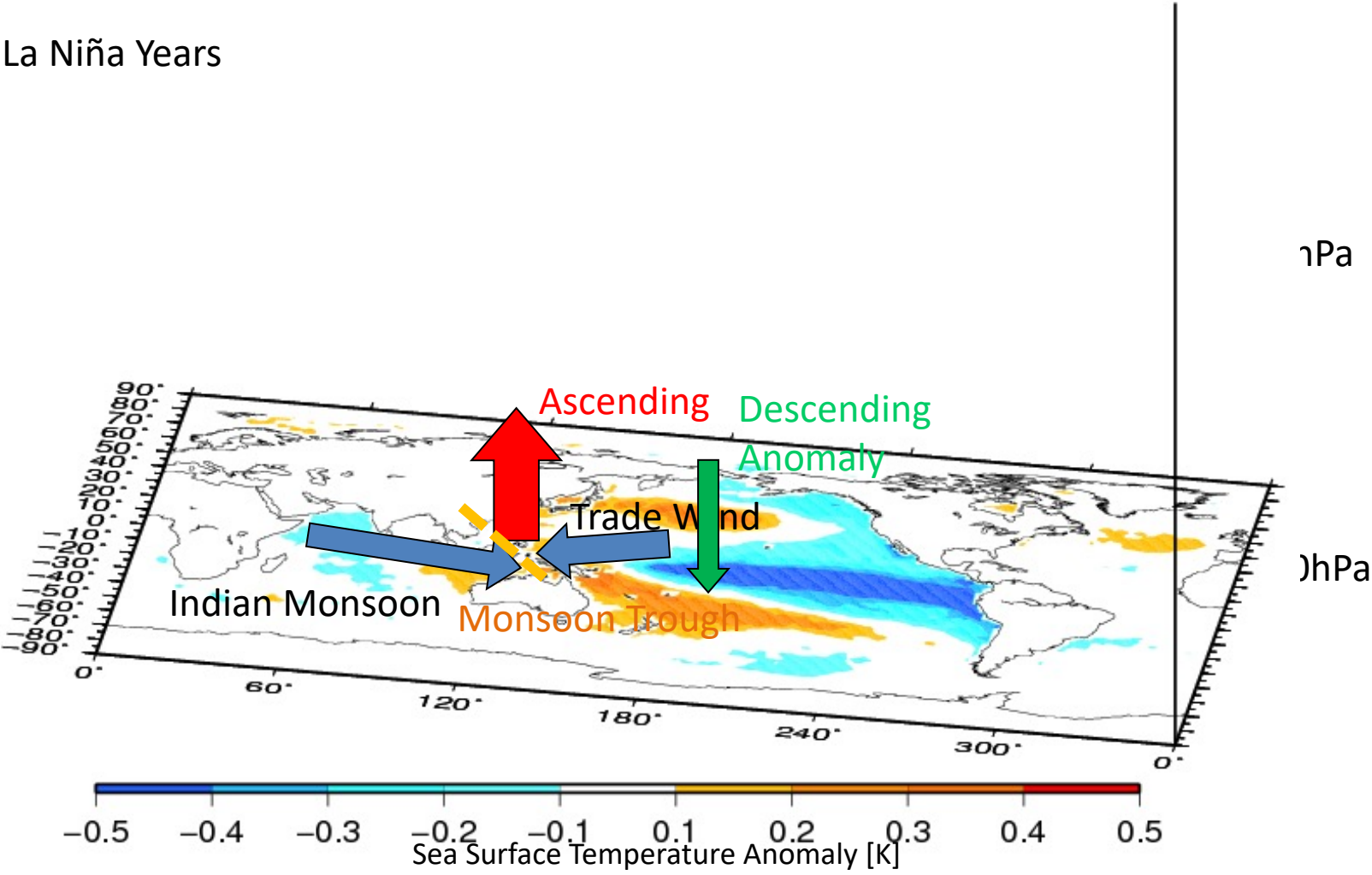
La Niña Years



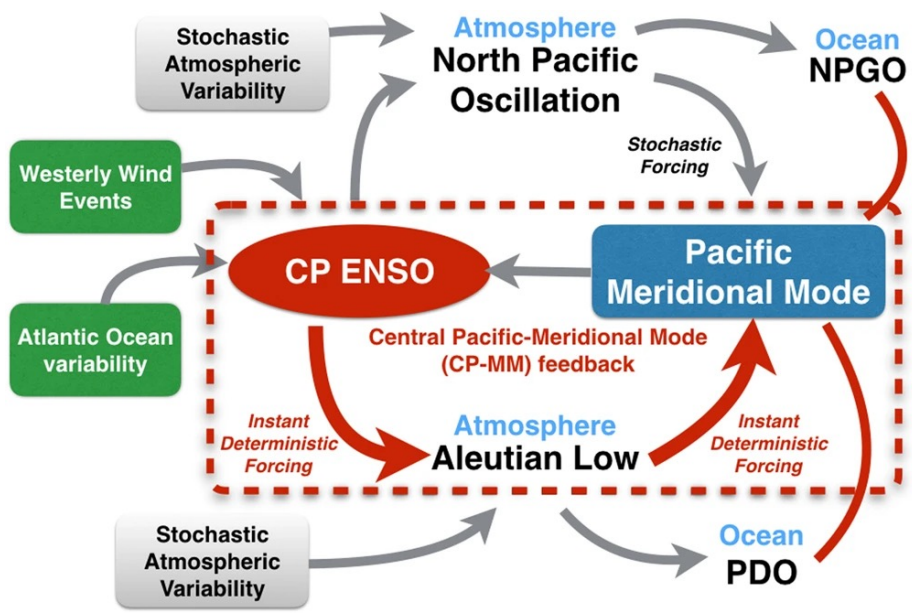
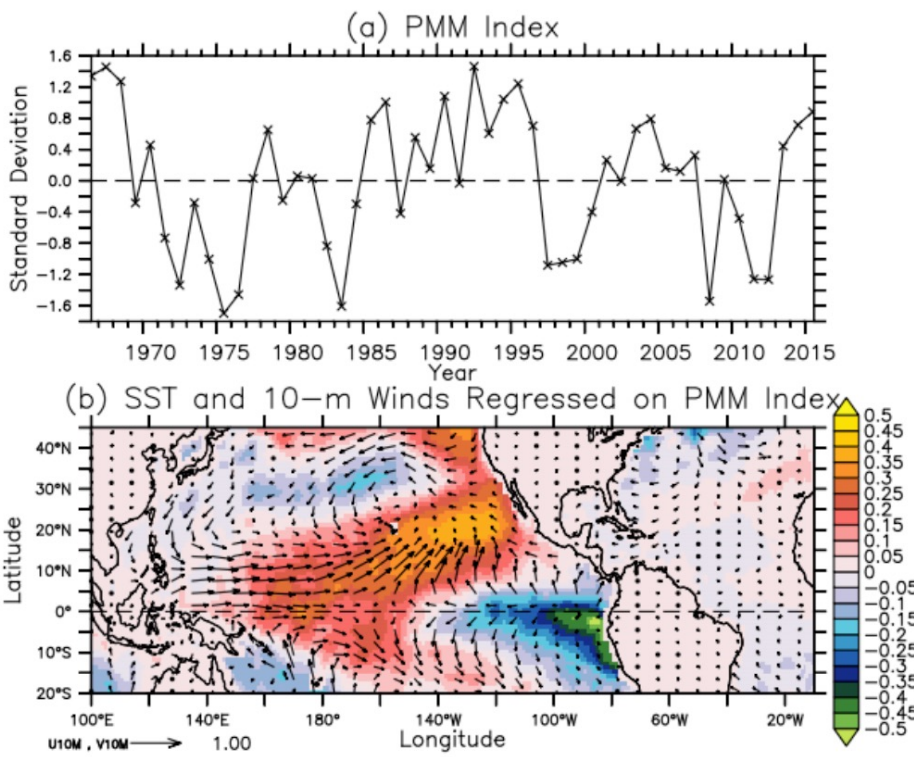
Effect of ENSO on WNP TCs



La Niña Years



Pacific Meridional Mode (PMM)



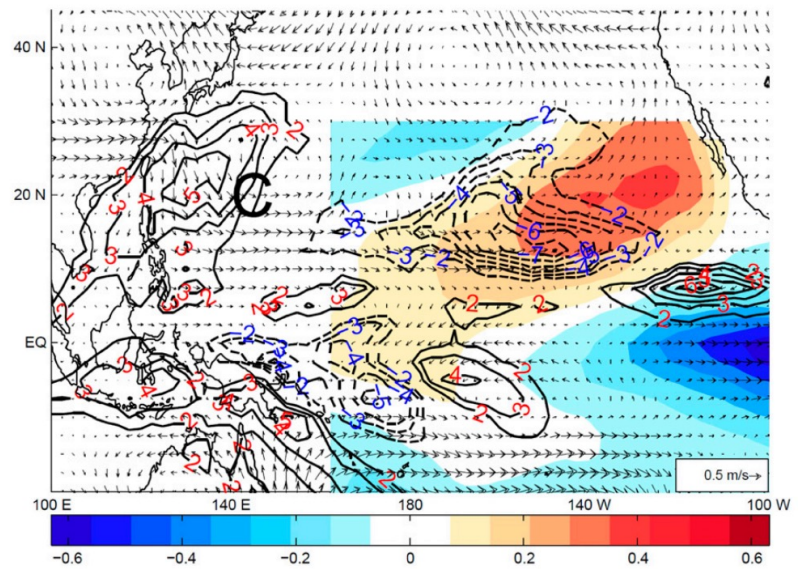
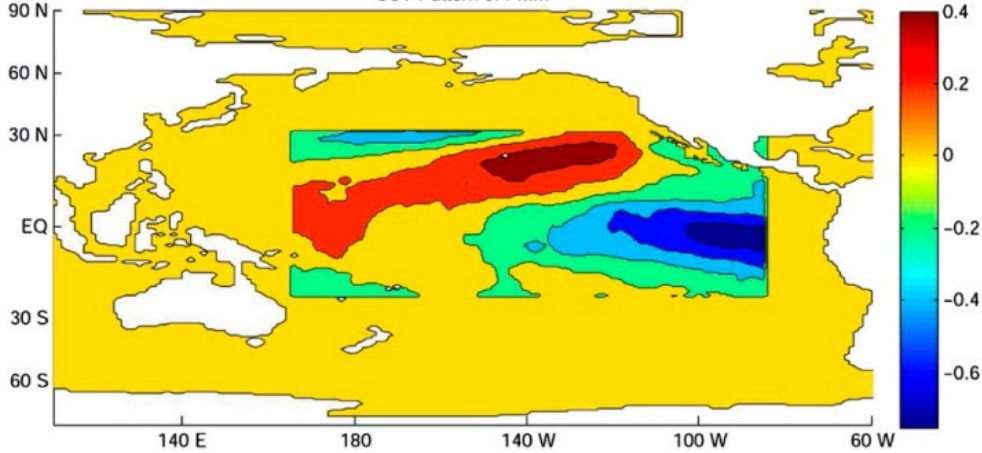
- PMM is an atmosphere-ocean coupled internal mode.
- PMM can be derived by the SVD analysis using SST, surface U, and V.
- Positive PMM represents warmer SST in the subtropical Pacific along with cross-equatorial flows.
- PMM peaks at boreal spring but sometimes lasts until summer.
- PMM is a precursor of CP El Nino.

Chiang and Vimont (2004, *J. Climate*)

Impact of PMM on TCs over WNP and NA

Prescribed SST anomaly

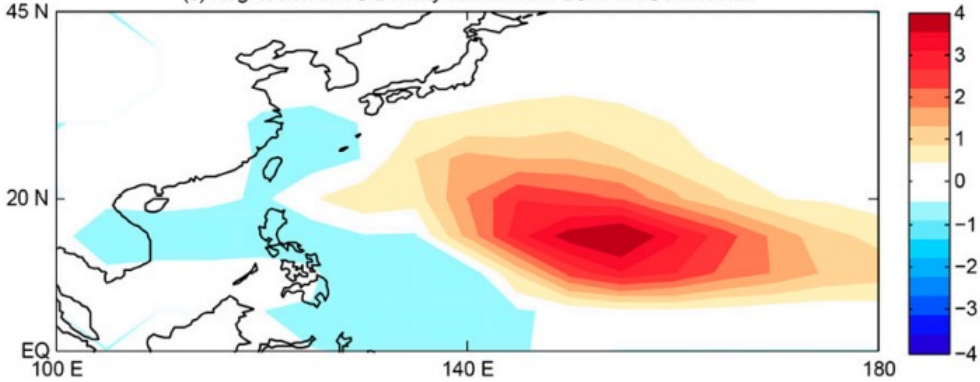
SST Pattern of PMM



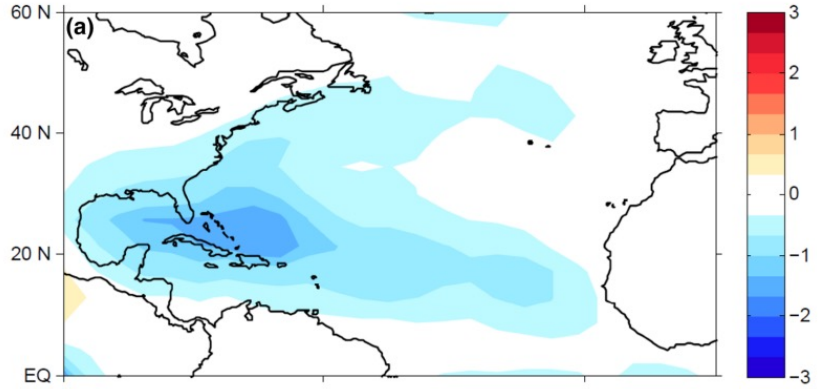
Gill-type response generates cyclonic circulation (C), leading to more TCs.

Simulated TC density anomaly by the GFDL-FLOR model

(c) Regression of TC Density on PMM in FLOR-FA Control Run



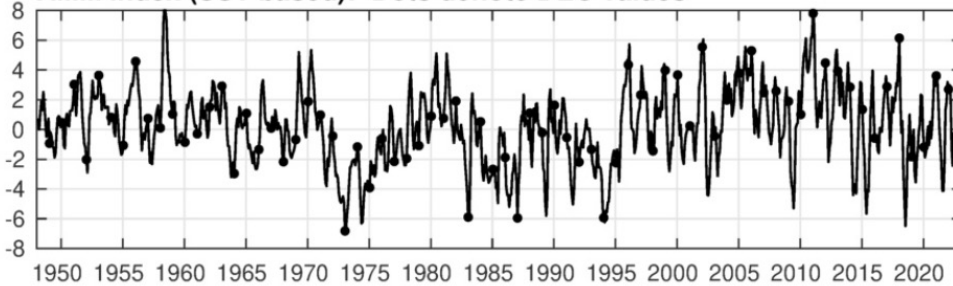
Zhang et al. (2016, *J. Climate*)



Zhang et al. (2018, *Cilm. Dyn.*)

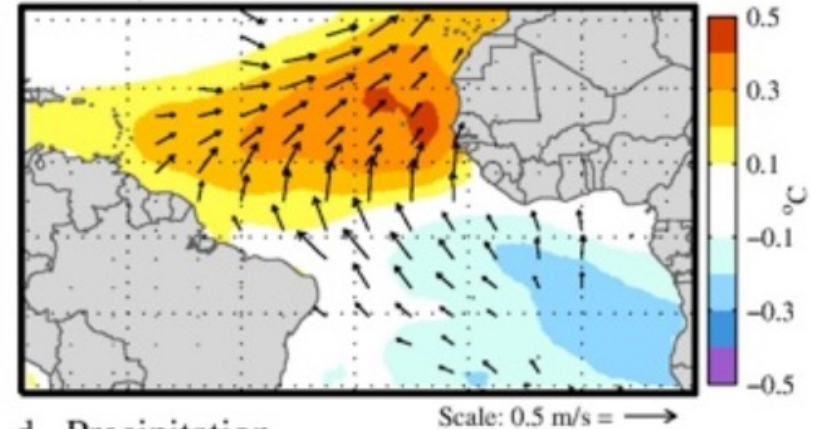
Atlantic Meridional Mode (AMM)

AMM Index (SST based): Dots denote DEC values



- A similar mode to PMM also exists over the Atlantic, called “AMM”

Atlantic: MCA mode 1
b. SST, 10m Winds



Correlations with TC variables with AMM index

	ACE	MKE	VAV	N	DUR	NCAT345
AMM	0.64	0.36	0.33	0.54	0.47	0.61

ACE: Accumulated Cyclone Energy

MKE: Mean kinetic energy

VAV: Averaged maximum wind speed

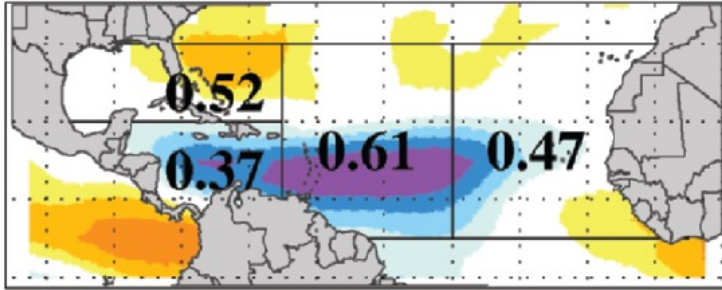
N: Number of named storms

DUR: average duration of storms

NCAT345: Number of major hurricanes

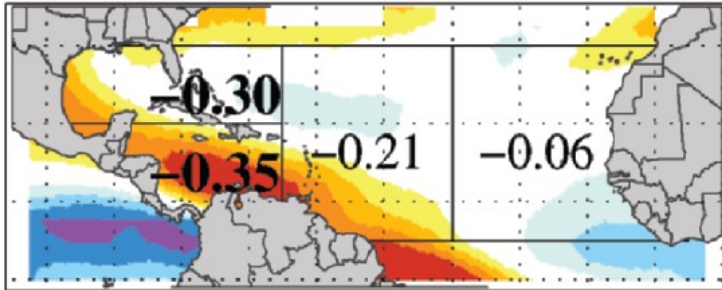
Which of ENSO or AMM impacts TCs in the Atlantic?

a. AMM



AMM exerts a substantial impact on Vertical wind shear over the main developed region.

b. Nino 3.4



PMM exerts an impact on Vertical wind shear over the Caribbean Sea and Gulf of Mexico.

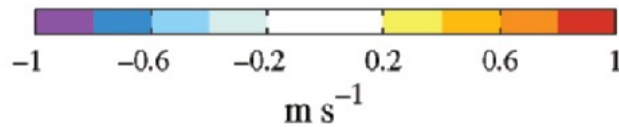
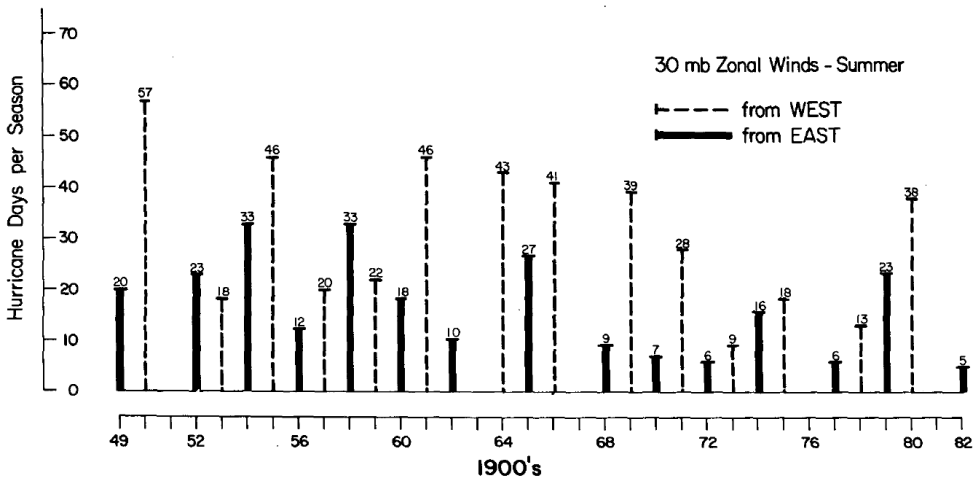
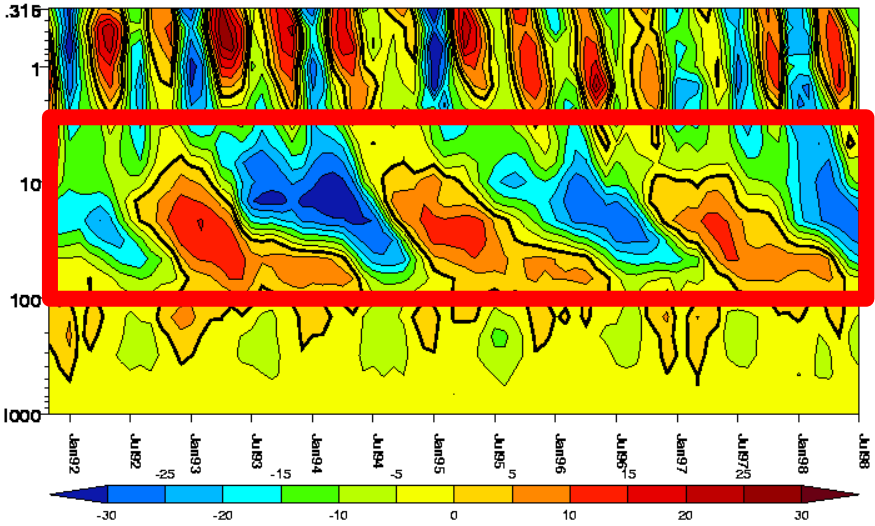
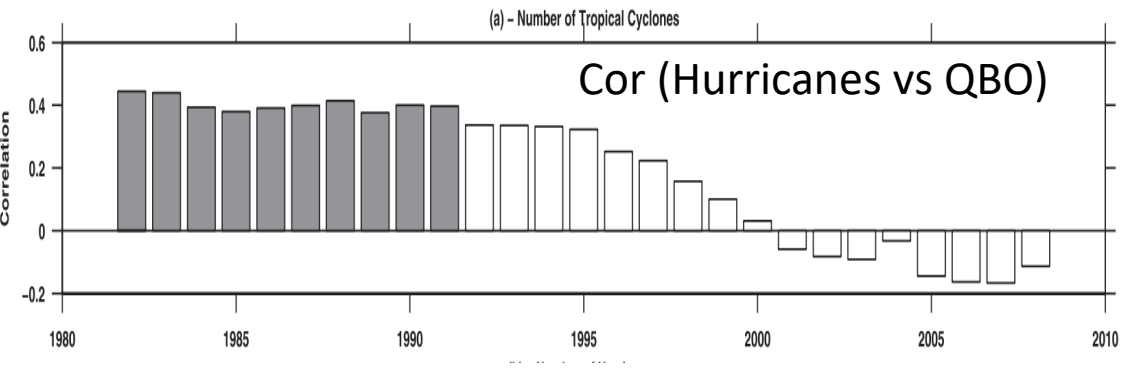


FIG. 6. Regression maps of mean vertical wind shear onto the standardized (a) AMM index and (b) Niño-3.4 index. Units: m s^{-1} per standard deviation of the respective time series, so amplitudes may be directly compared. Also listed is the correlation between the number of storm days within each region and the respective index. Statistically significant correlations are listed in boldface.

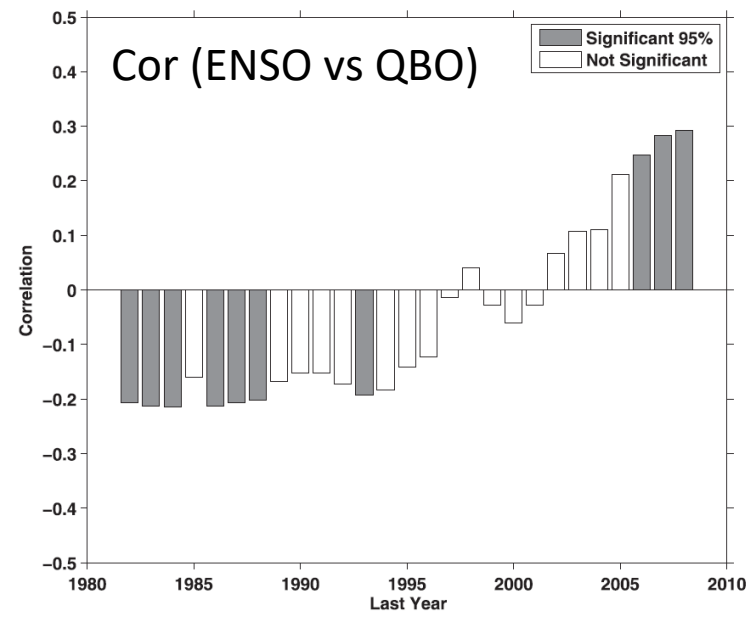
Impact of QBO on TCs in the North Atlantic



Gray (1984) indicates a correlation between QBO and Atlantic storms.

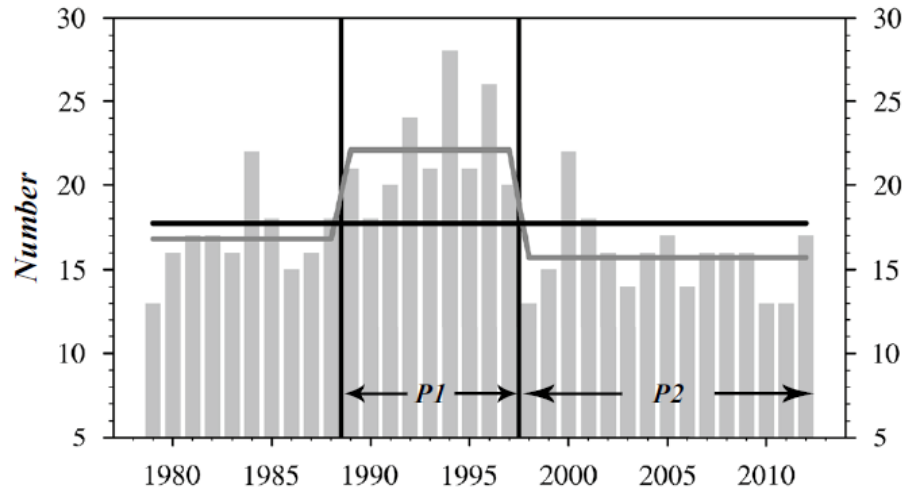


Camargo and Sobel (2011) revealed that the correlation is no longer significant after the 1990s.

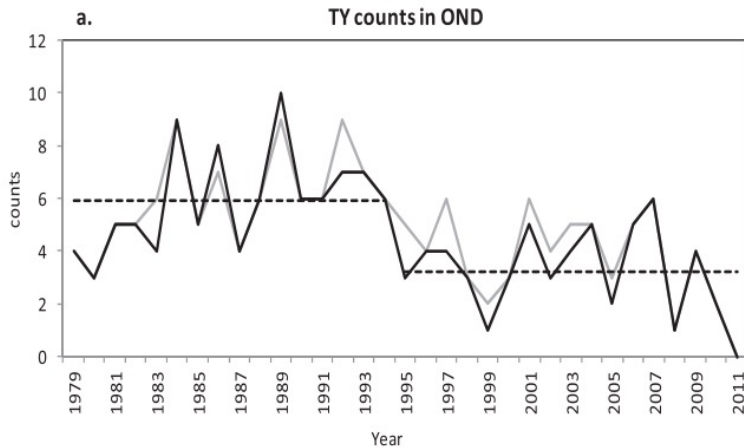


Camargo and Sobel (2010, *J. Climate*)

Decadal variation in TCs over the WNP

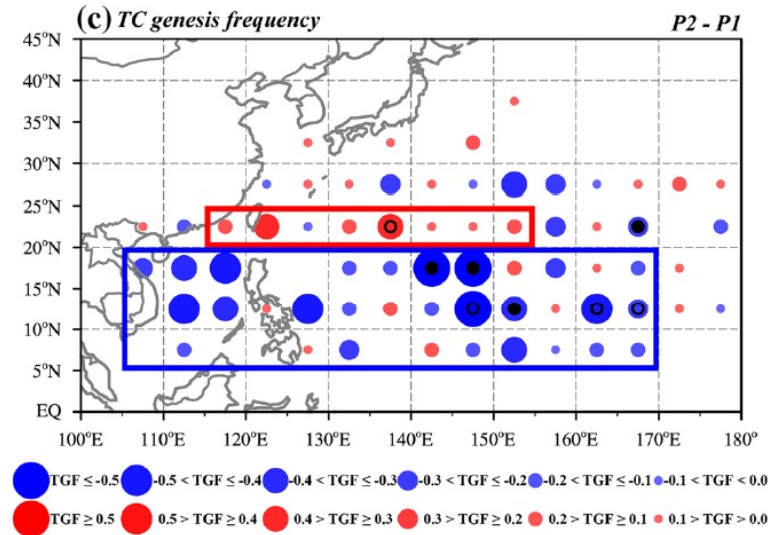


He et al. (2015) documented that there is a clear regime shift around 1998 in the number of TCs over WNP.

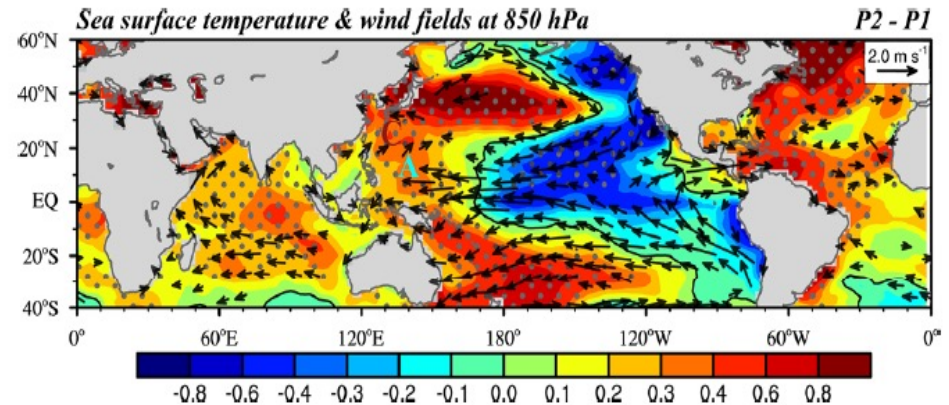


Abrupt decrease in late-season (Oct-Dec) typhoons since 1998.

Hsu et al. (2014, *J. Climate*)



Decreased TC genesis in the tropics, but increased over the subtropics.

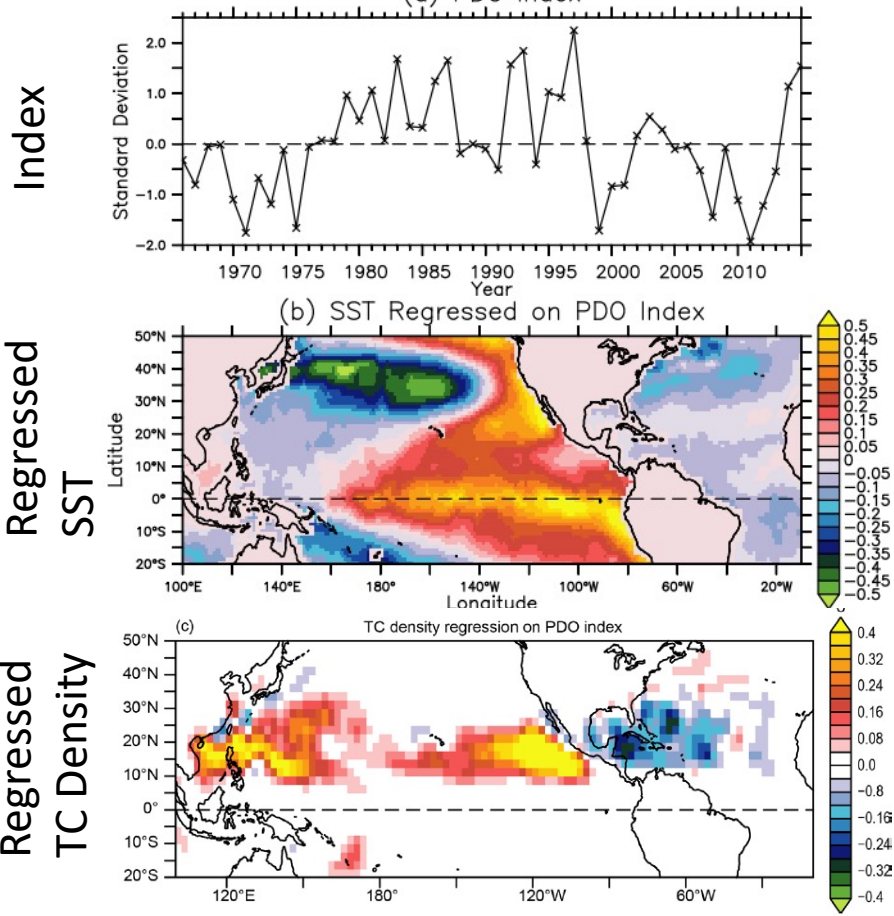


The difference in SST implies the effect of changing phase of PDO and/or IPO

He et al. (2015, *Clim. Dyn.*)

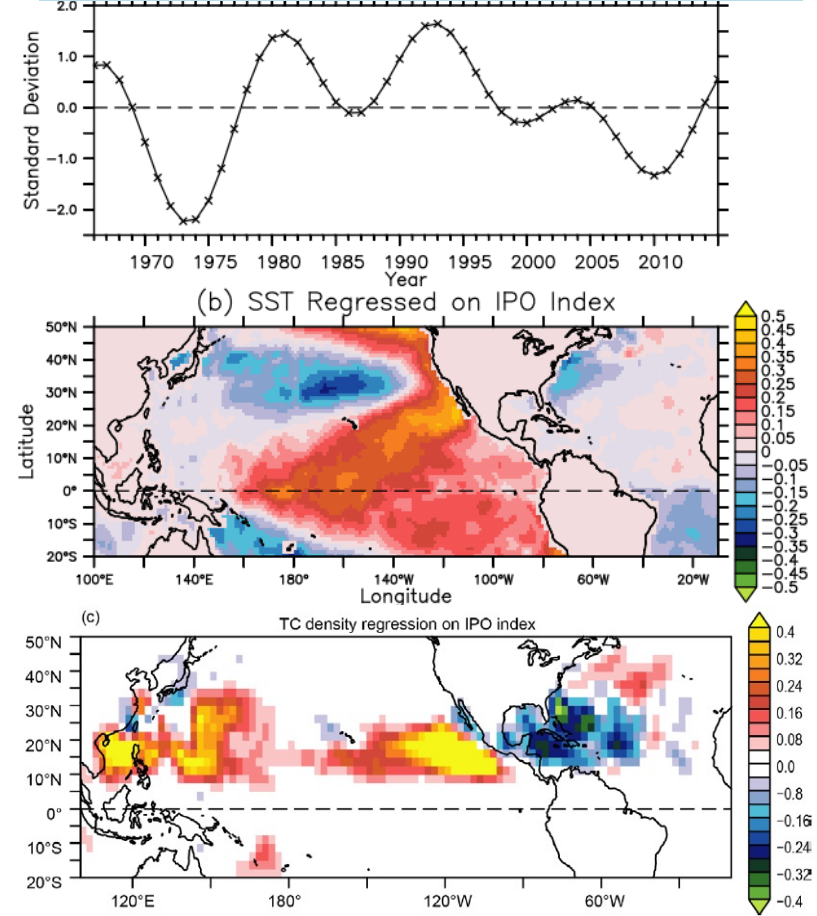
Decadal variation (PDO and IPO)

Pacific Decadal Oscillation (PDO)



The PDO is the leading empirical orthogonal function (EOF) of SST anomalies over the North Pacific (20°N–70°N, 110°E–100°W) after the global mean SST has been removed. When the PDO index is positive, the subtropical eastern Pacific (north Pacific) is warmer (cooler) than normal.

Inter-decadal Pacific Oscillation (IPO)



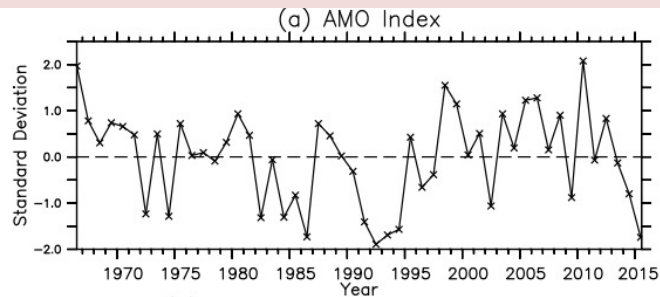
The IPO index is the standardized principal component of the 3rd EOF for the 13-yr low-pass filtered global SST. The IPO manifests as a low-frequency El Niño-like pattern of climate variability, whose spatial pattern is similar to that of the global warming hiatus seen in recent decades (England et al. 2014, *Nat. Clim. Change*).

Decadal variation over the Atlantic (AMO)

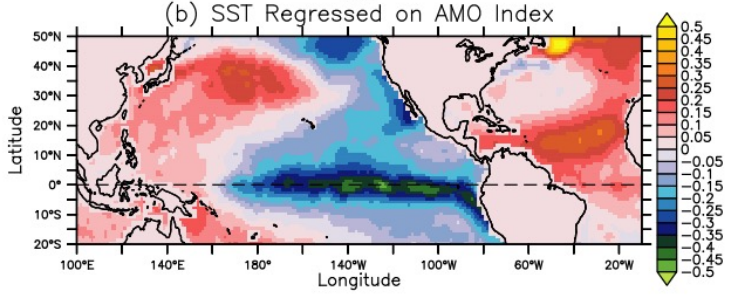
Atlantic Multidecadal Oscillation (AMO)

AMO (shading) and Atlantic TC numbers (line)

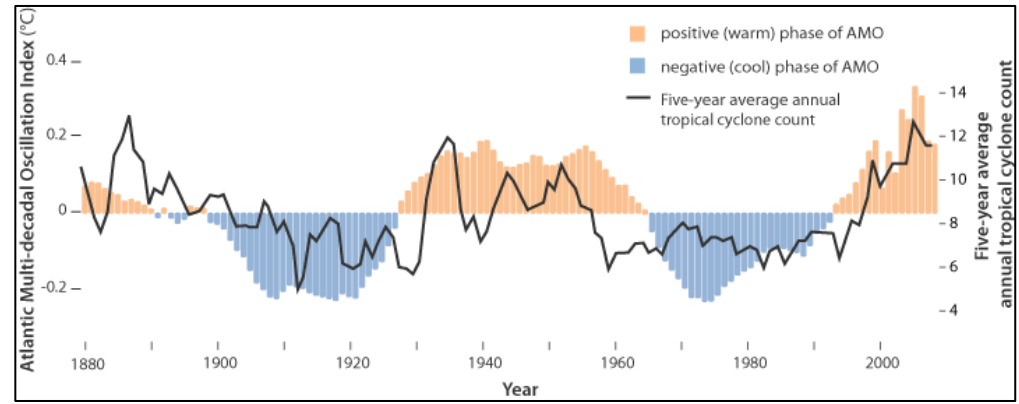
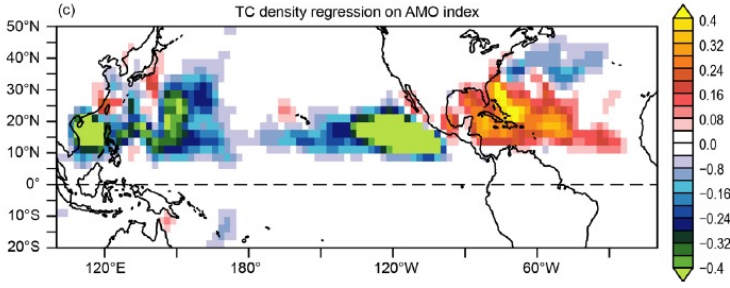
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Regressed SST



Regressed TC Density



The recent increase in the number of Atlantic TCs may be due to natural variability such as AMO.

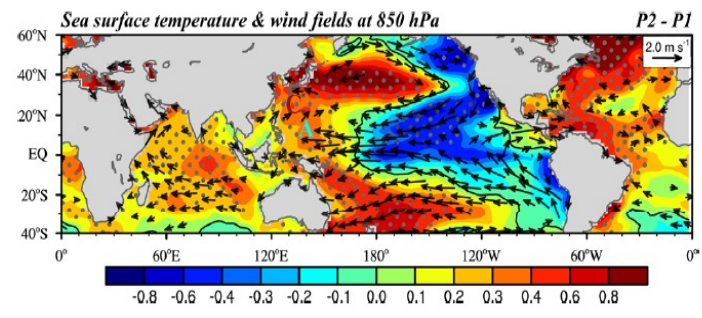
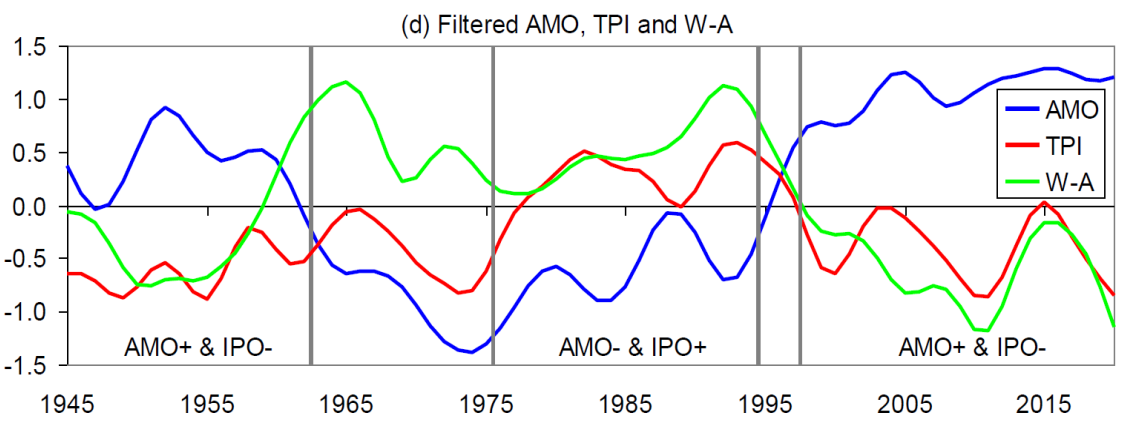
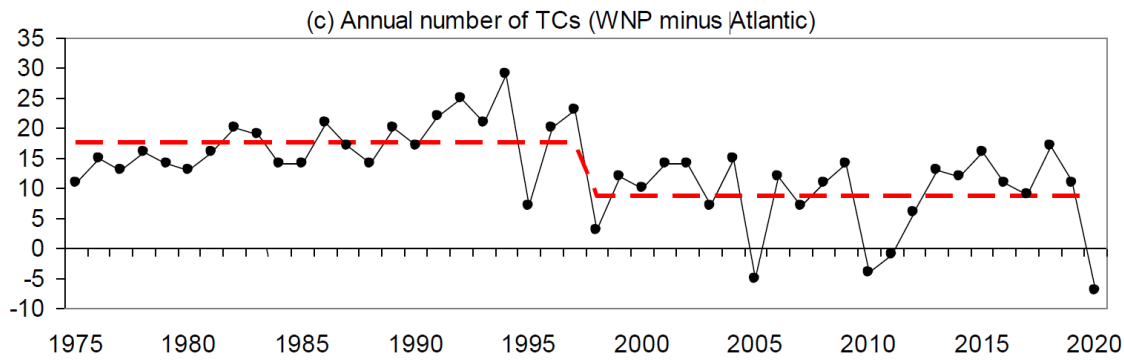
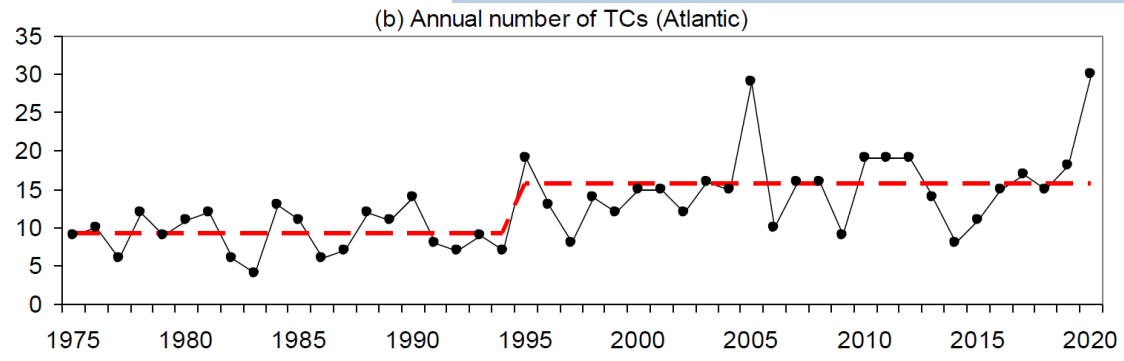
Recently it has been suggested that anthropogenic aerosols are a prime driver of the AMO using climate model simulations incorporating aerosol indirect effects (Booth et al., 2012, *Nature*).

Zhang et al. (2013, *JAS*) reported considerable doubt on the claim that aerosols drive the bulk of the AMO.

The AMO index is the area-average SST anomaly over the North Atlantic (0–70° N, 90° W–0) minus the global mean SST anomaly. When the AMO index is positive, the North Atlantic is warmer than normal.

AMO is also called as Atlantic Multidecadal Variability (AMV)

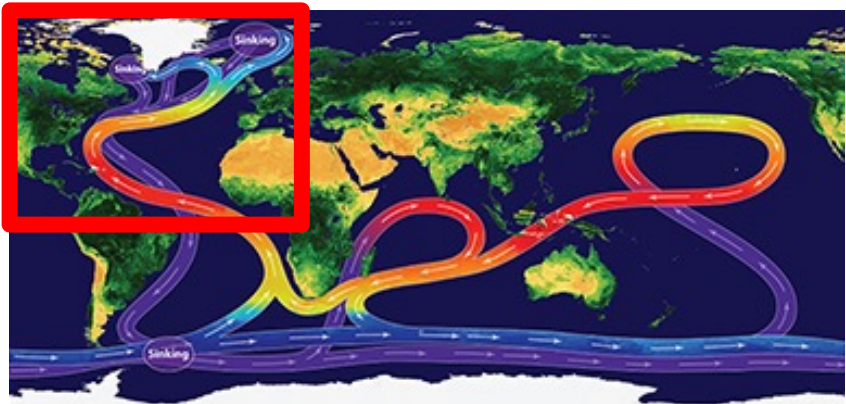
Decadal variation on NA TCs relative to WNP



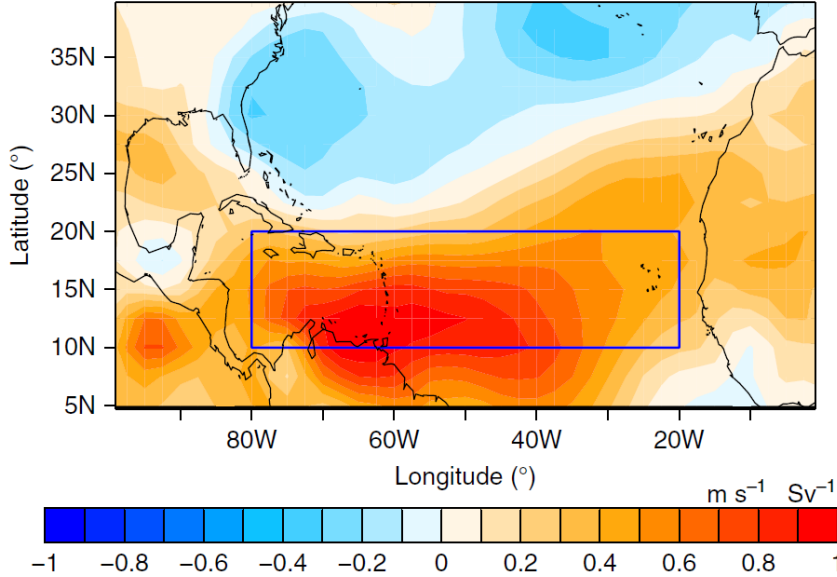
TCs are more active in the North Atlantic than western North Pacific In recent decades.

It is likely that both AMO and IPO switched the sign around 1995, and this might have caused the relative TC number.

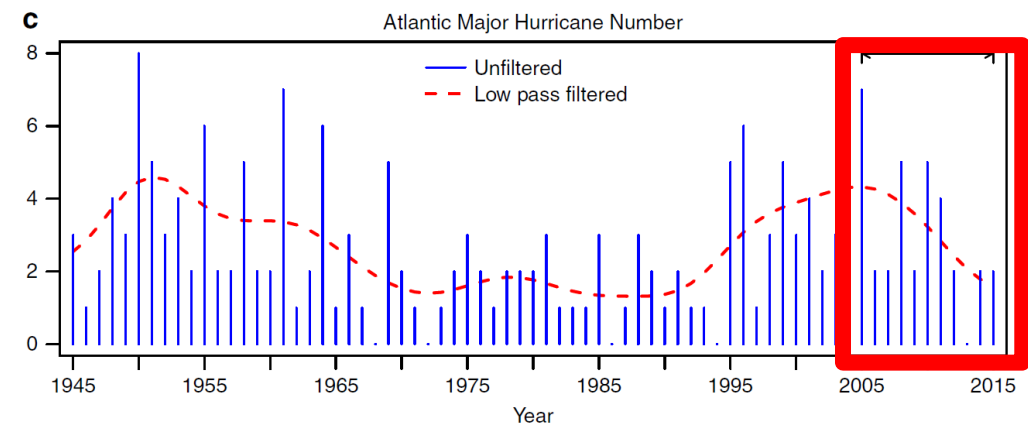
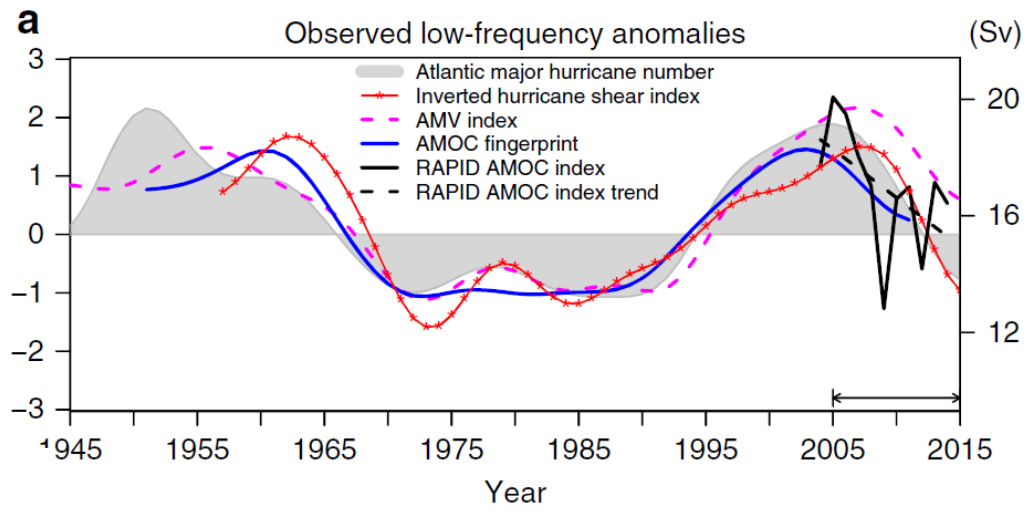
Influence of AMOC on major hurricanes



Observed trend regression of inverted vertical wind shear on AMOC



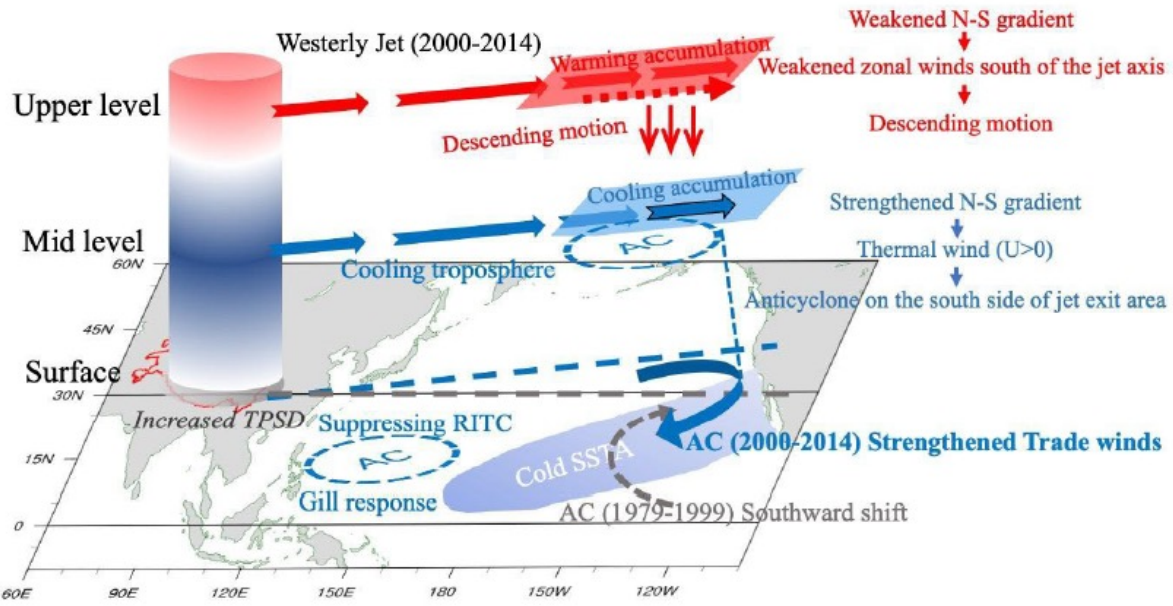
Positive values imply an increase in vertical wind shear when AMOC declines, and vice versa



The recent reduction of major hurricanes could be associated with a weakening AMOC.

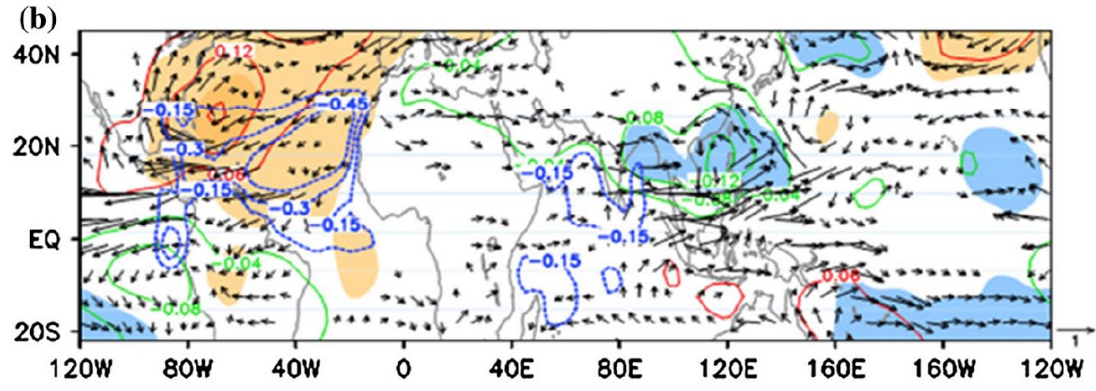
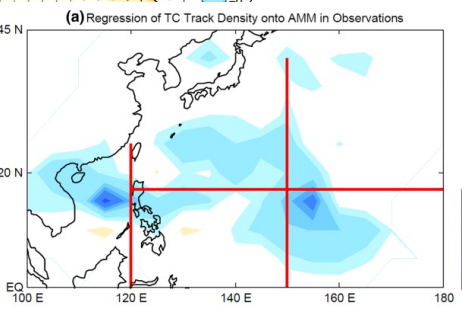
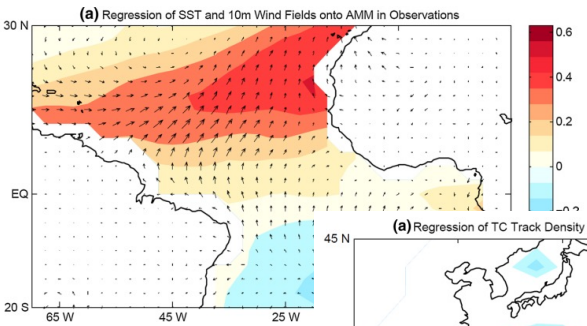
Yan et al. (2017, *Nat. Comm.*)

Teleconnection affecting remote TCs



Higher snow depth over the Tibetan Plateau may decrease the intensification of TCs over the western North Pacific.

Cai et al. (2022, *J. Climate*)



Atlantic Cooling -> Indian Cooling
-> Cyclonic anomaly in the WNP

Atlantic warming suppresses TCs over the WNP.

Zhang et al. (2017, *Clim. Dyn.*)

Yu et al. (2016, *Clim. Dyn.*)

3. Long-term trends and effect of anthropogenic forcing on TC activity

- Observed record

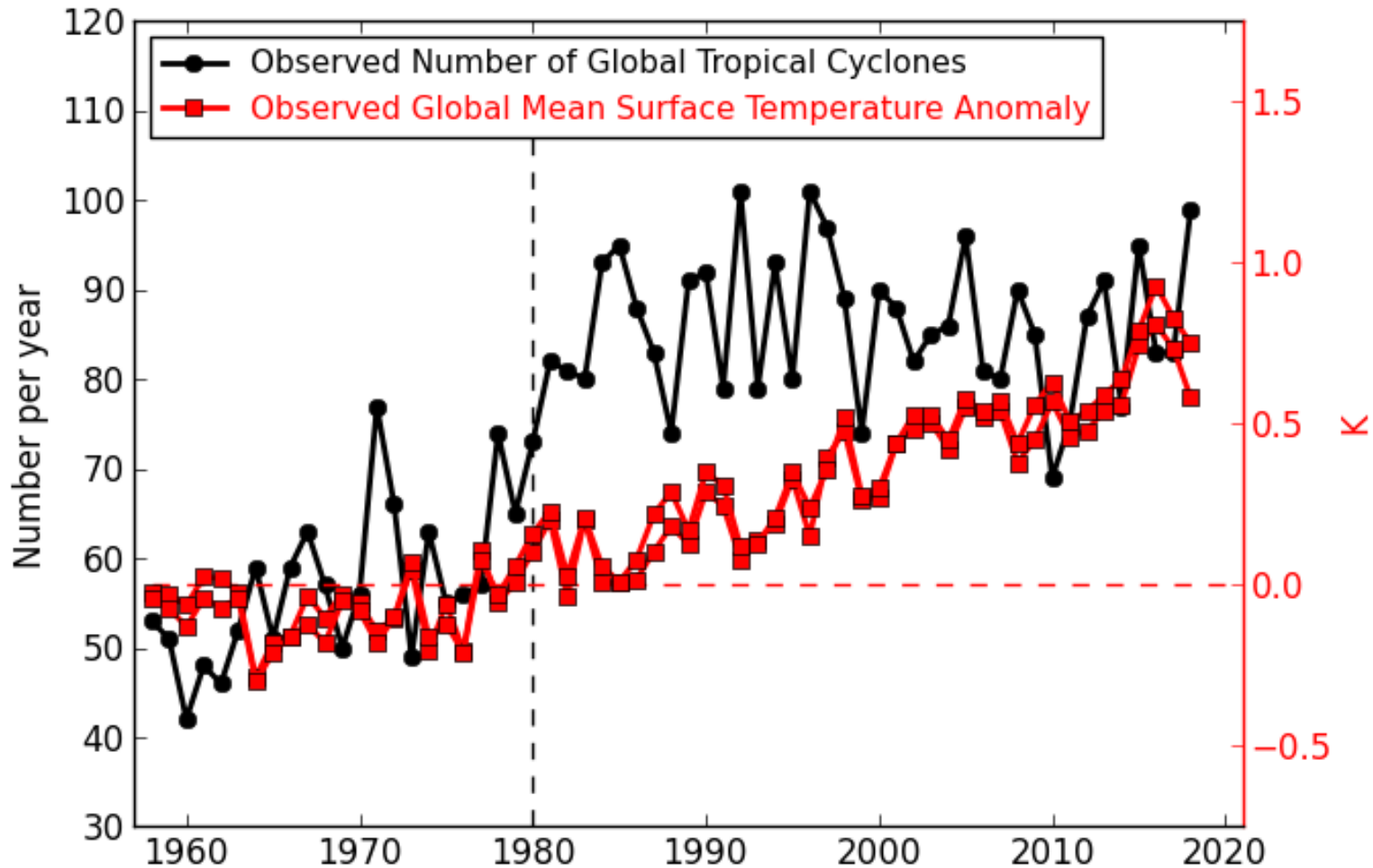
- Observed trends in the past

- Finger-print analysis

- Pseudo-warming experiments

- Idealized seasonal predictions

Observed Tropical Cyclones



Number of global TCs is increasing???

Source: IBTrACS for TCs, HadISST for SST

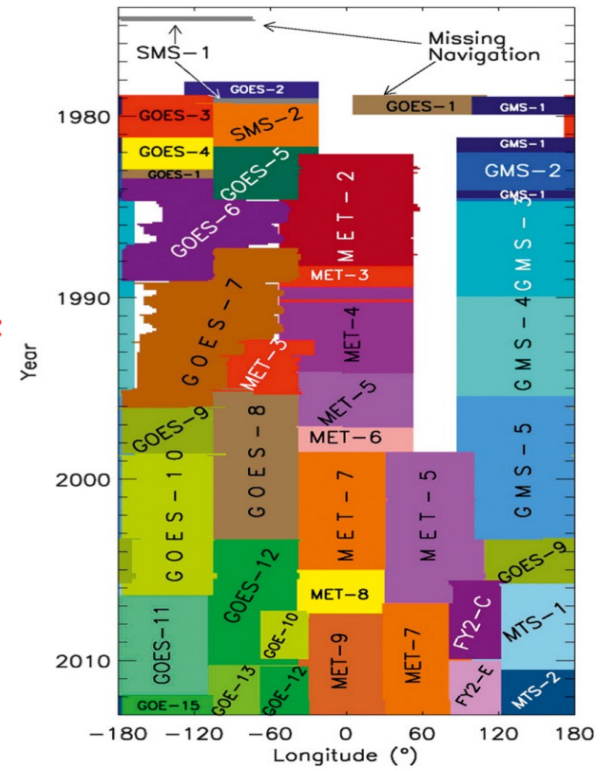
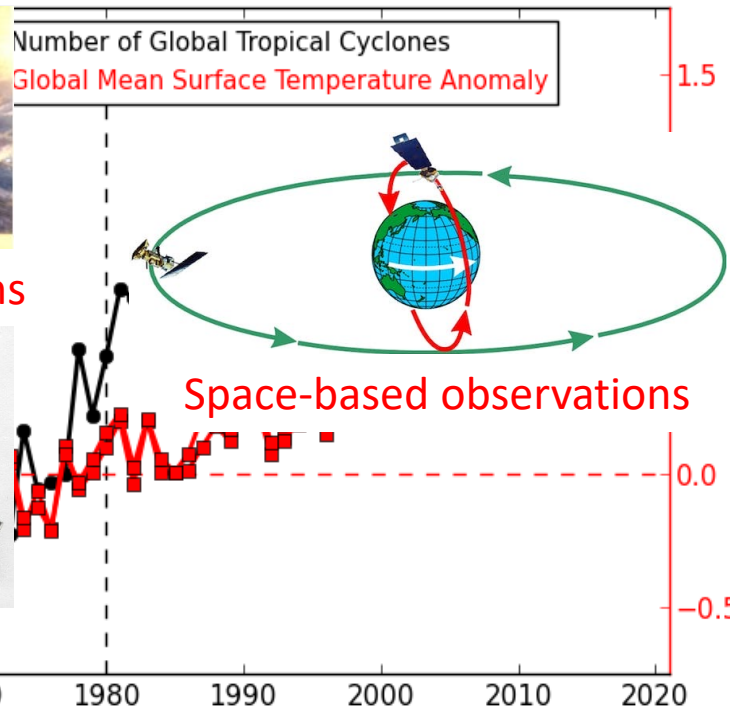
Observed Tropical Cyclones



Ship-based observations

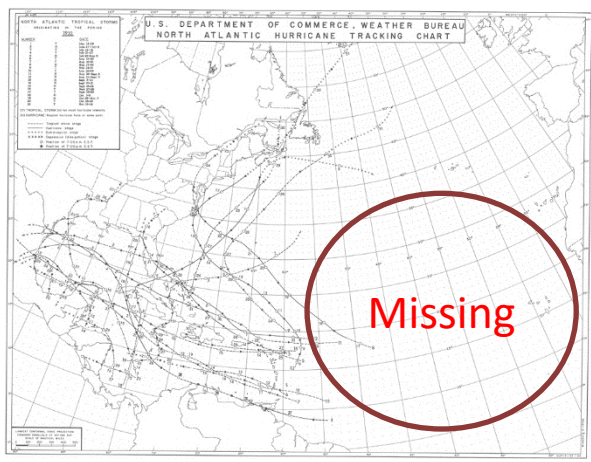


Aircraft observations

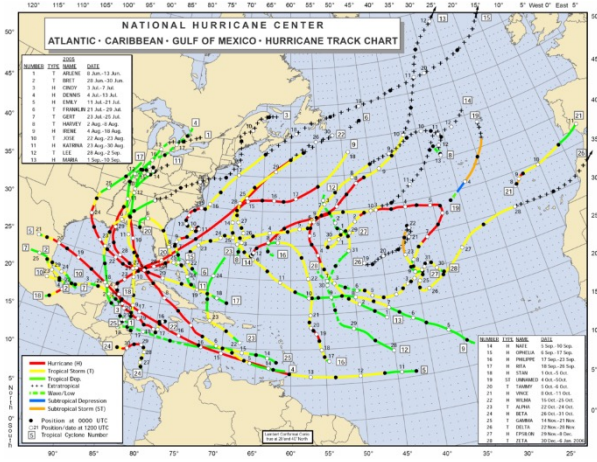


Global geostationary satellite Coverage over the past 40 years, indicating the satellite-based TC observations are only available since 1980 at a global scale.

Kossin et al. (2013, *J. Climate*)



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2005

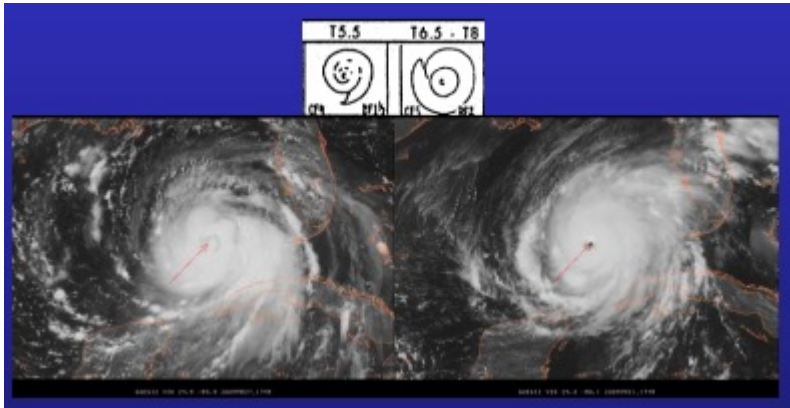
Dvorak Technique



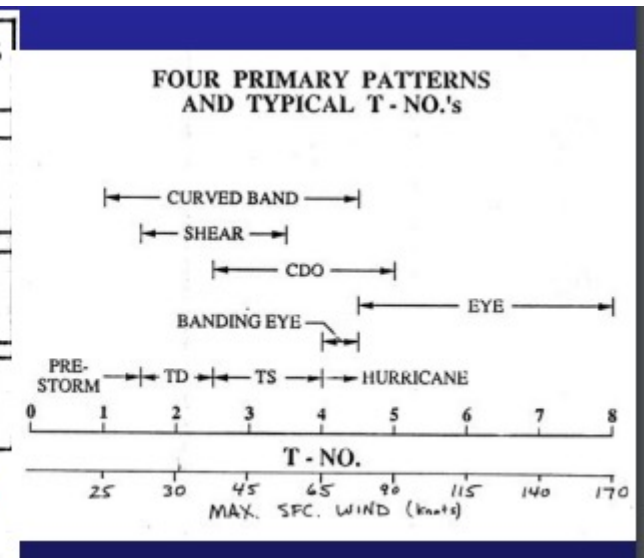
A statistical method for estimating the intensity of TCs from interpretation of satellite (infrared and visible) imagery originally developed by Dvorak (1973, 1984).

See Velden et al. (2006, *BAMS*) for review

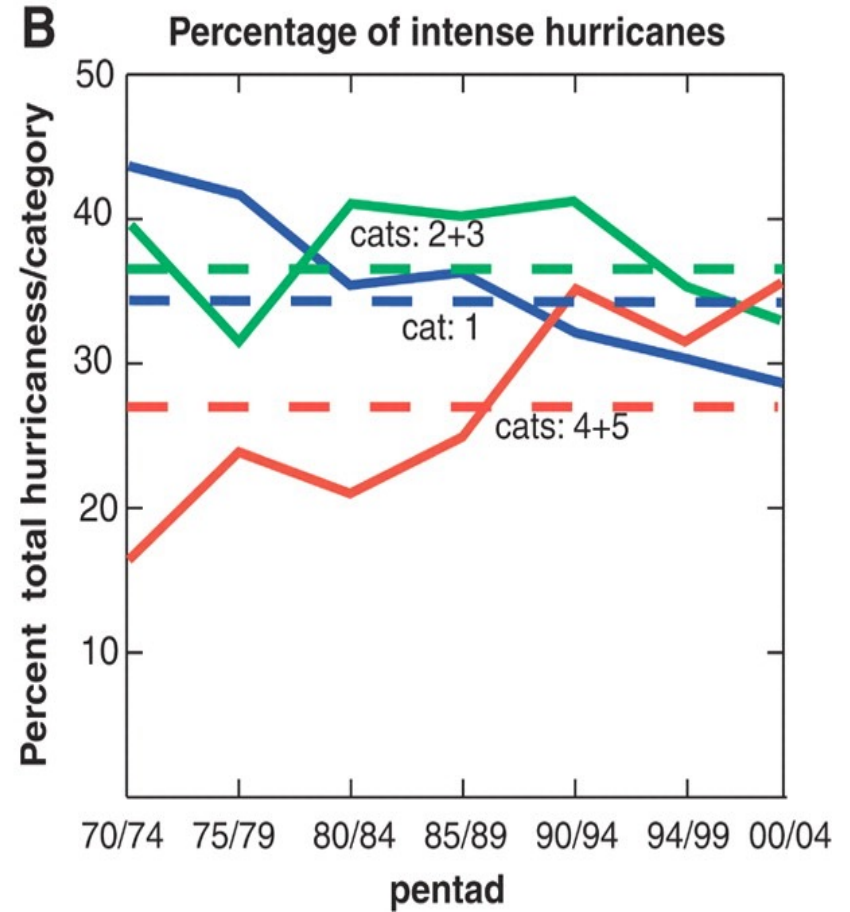
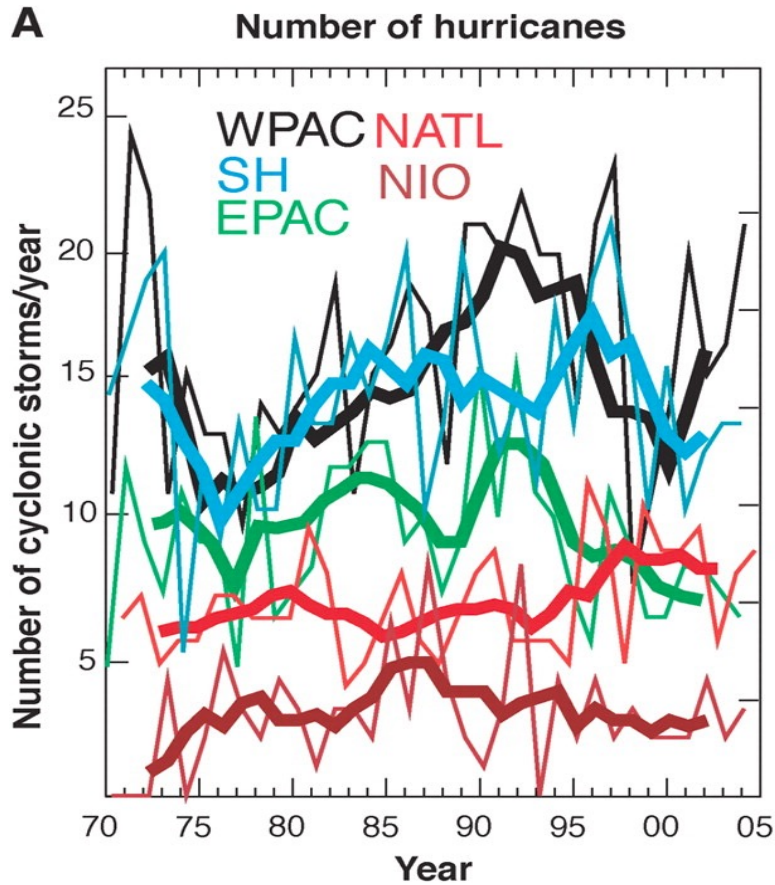
Cloud Pattern -> T Numbers -> Wind Speed



DEVELOPMENTAL PATTERN TYPES	PRE STORM	TROPICAL STORM		HURRICANE PATTERN TYPES		
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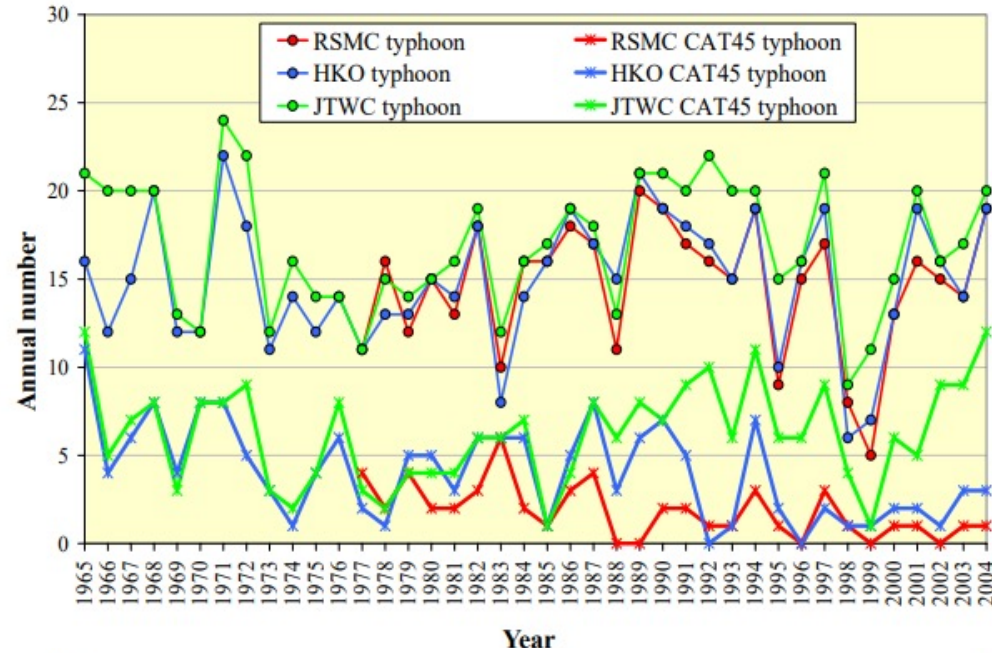


Increased number of intense storms (Webster 2005)

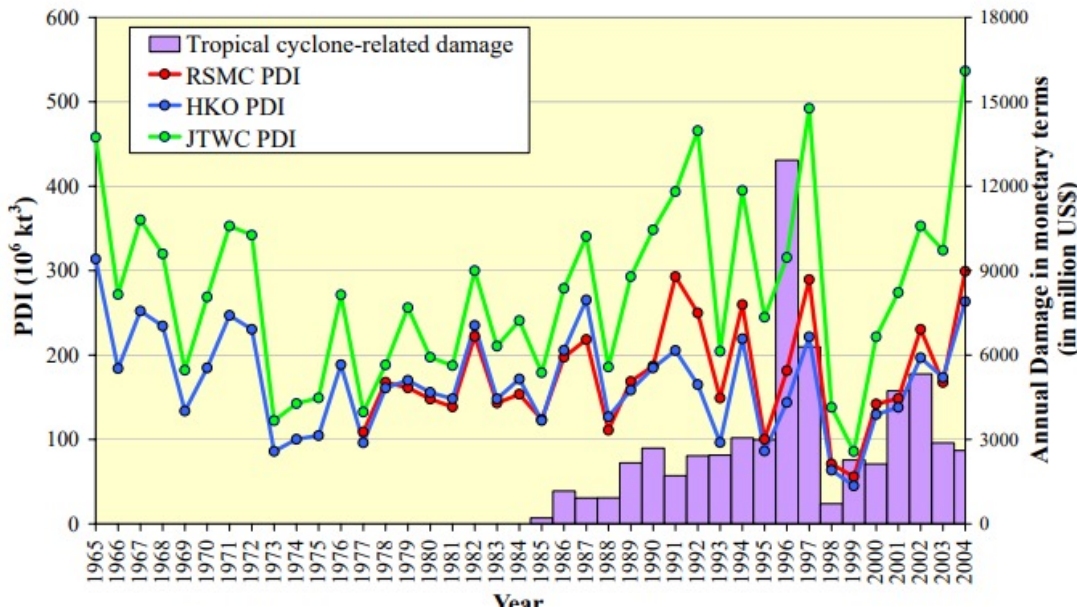


WPAC shows the largest increase in hurricanes
JTWC Besttrack data was used for WPAC

Increased number of intense storms



Wu et al. (2006) questioned the observed trends reported by Webster (2005), claiming that the JTWC data are very different from the RSMC and HKO data where no apparent trend were observed.



Wu et al. (2006, EOS)

Increased number of intense storms



Extremely Intense Hurricanes: Revisiting Webster et al. (2005) after 10 Years

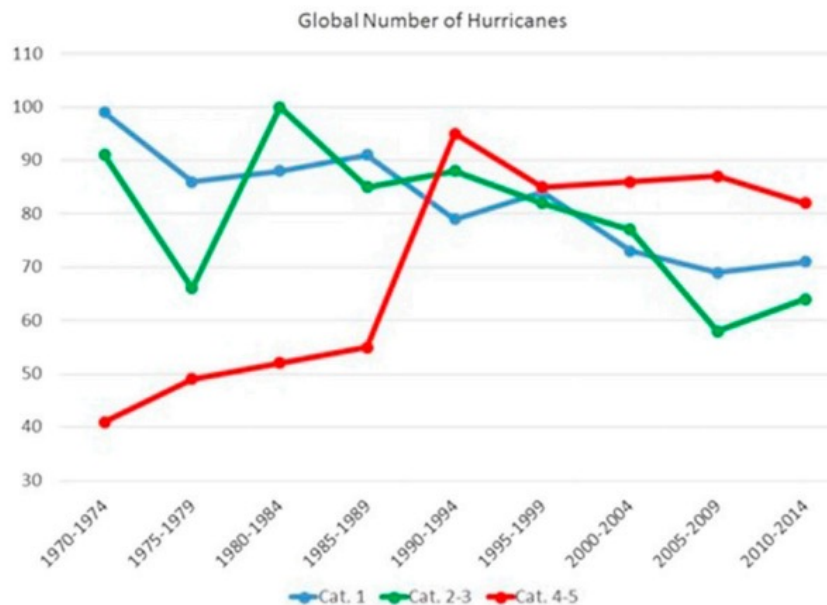
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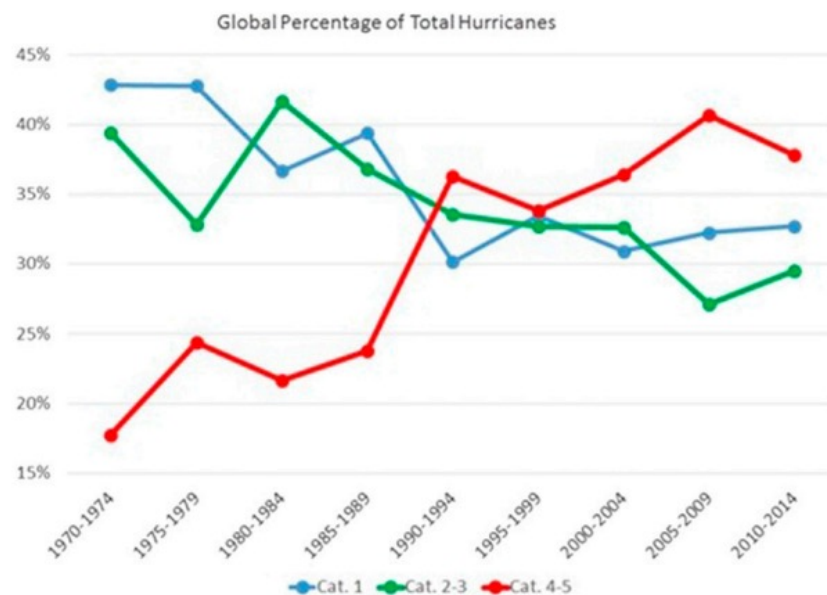
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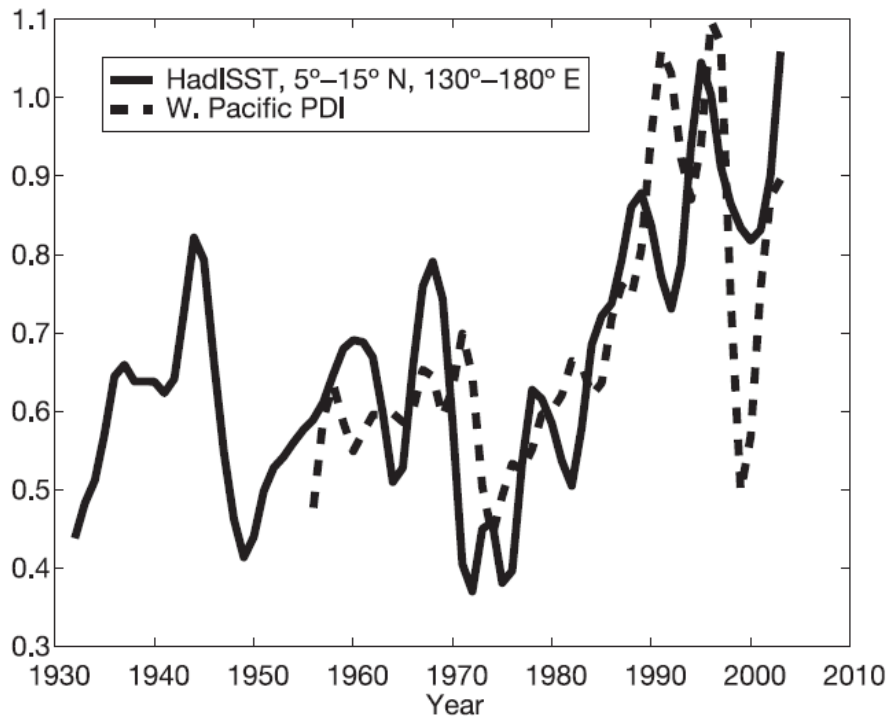


“The primary reason for the increase in category 4 and 5 hurricanes noted in observational datasets from 1970 to 2004 by Webster et al. is concluded to be due to **observational improvements at the various global tropical cyclone warning centers, primarily in the first two decades of that study**”

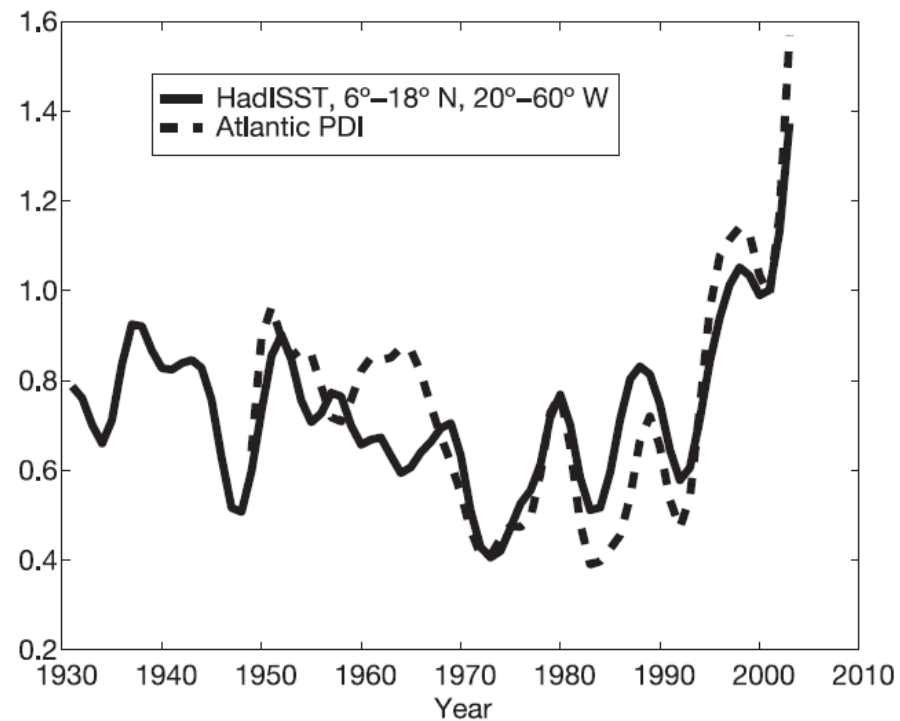
Increased PDI reported by Emanuel (2005)



Western North Pacific



North Atlantic



$$\text{PDI} \equiv \int_0^{\tau} V_{\max}^3 dt$$

CLIMATE CHANGE

Can We Detect Trends in Extreme Tropical Cyclones?

Christopher W. Landsea, Bruce A. Harper, Karl Hoarau, John A. Knaff

1. Resolution of satellite images has been increased decade by decade, causing more accurate and intense storms observed.
2. Operational changes at the various TC warning centers probably also contributed to discontinuities in TC intensity estimates and to more cyclone intensity estimates and to more frequent identification of extreme TCs.

Kossin developed an automated Dvorak method to improve homogeneity of TC data.

ADT-HURSAT

Available since 1978 up to 2017

<https://www.pnas.org/doi/10.1073/pnas.1920849117#supplementary-materials>

1. Poleward shift of lifetime maximum intensity (LMI)

Kossin et al. (2014, *Nature*)

2. Slowdown of mean TC motion

Kossin (2018, *Nature*)

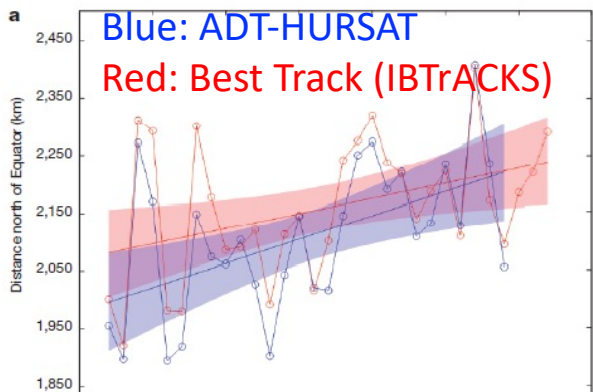
3. Increased occurrence of intense TCs relative to weaker TCs

Kossin et al. (2020, *PNAS*)

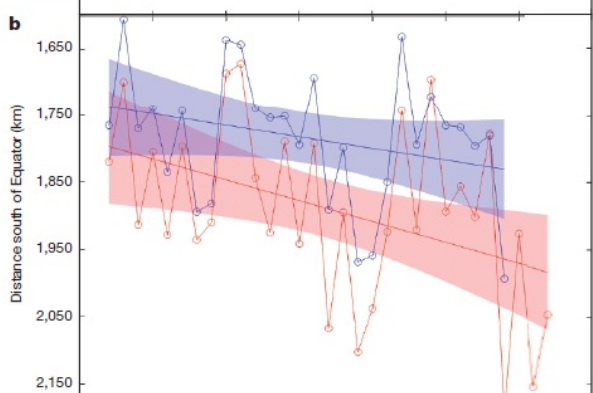
Poleward shift of lifetime maximum intensity (LMI)



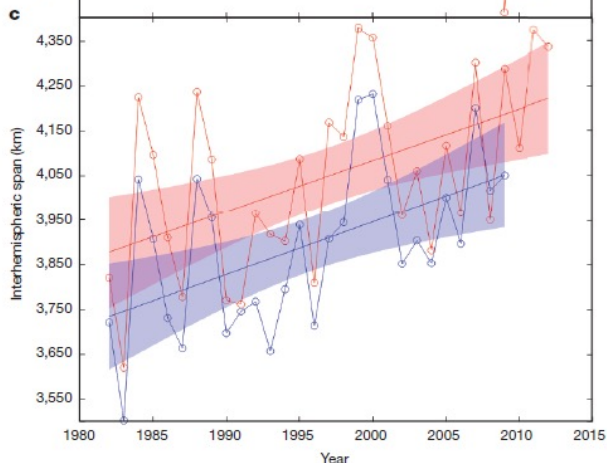
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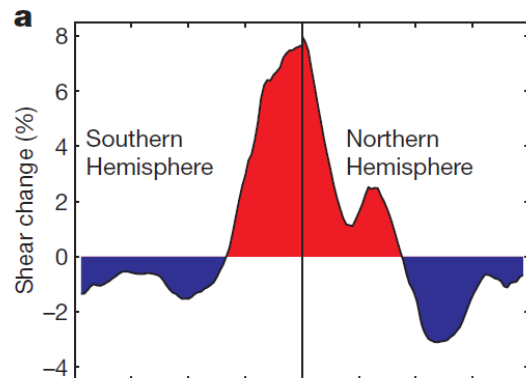


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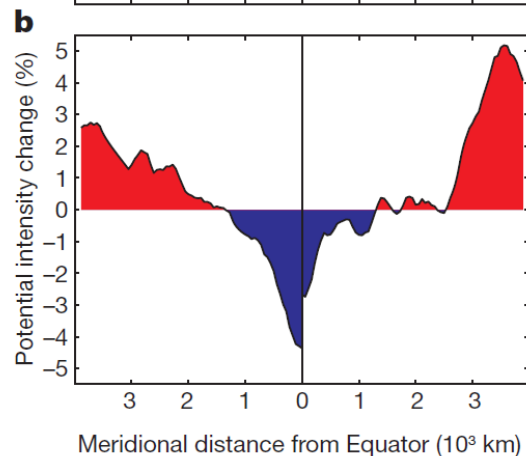


Vertical
Wind
Shear

Percentage changes from
1980–1994 to 1995–2010



Potential
Intensity



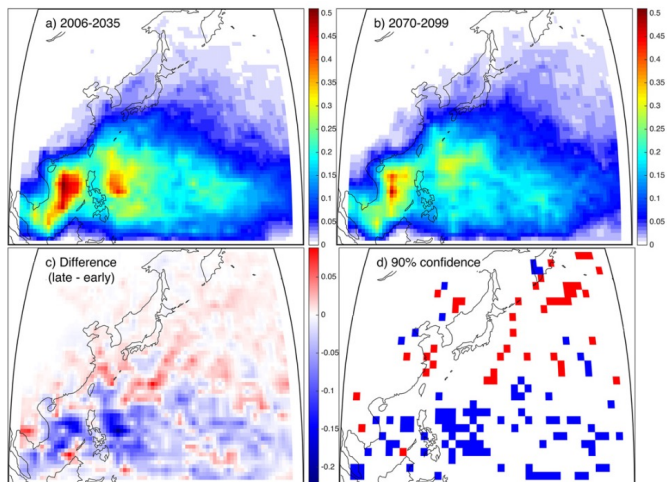
Regardless of the data, they showed poleward
Shift of the locations of LMI

Kossin et al. (2014, *Nature*)

Possible reasons for poleward shift of LMI

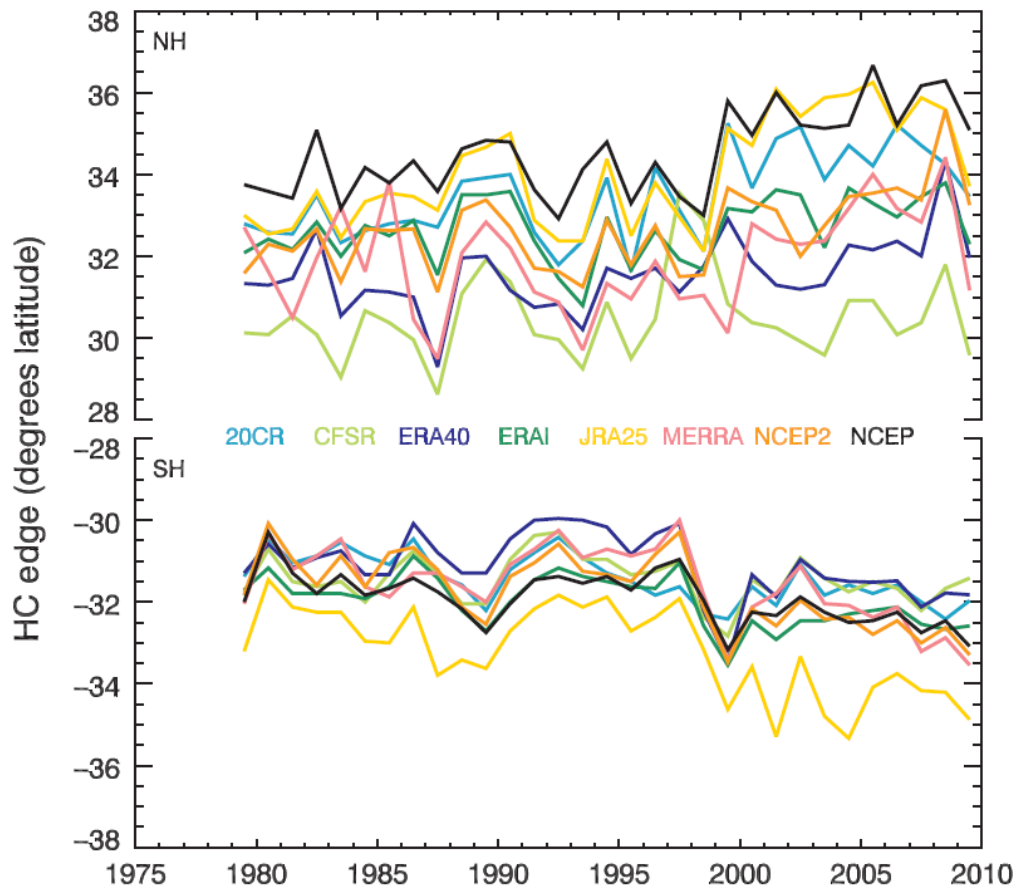


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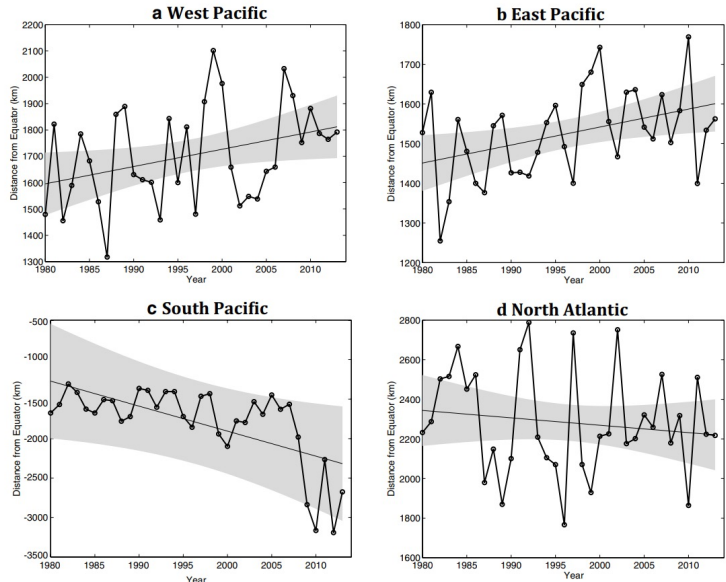
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2. Expansion of Hadley Cell



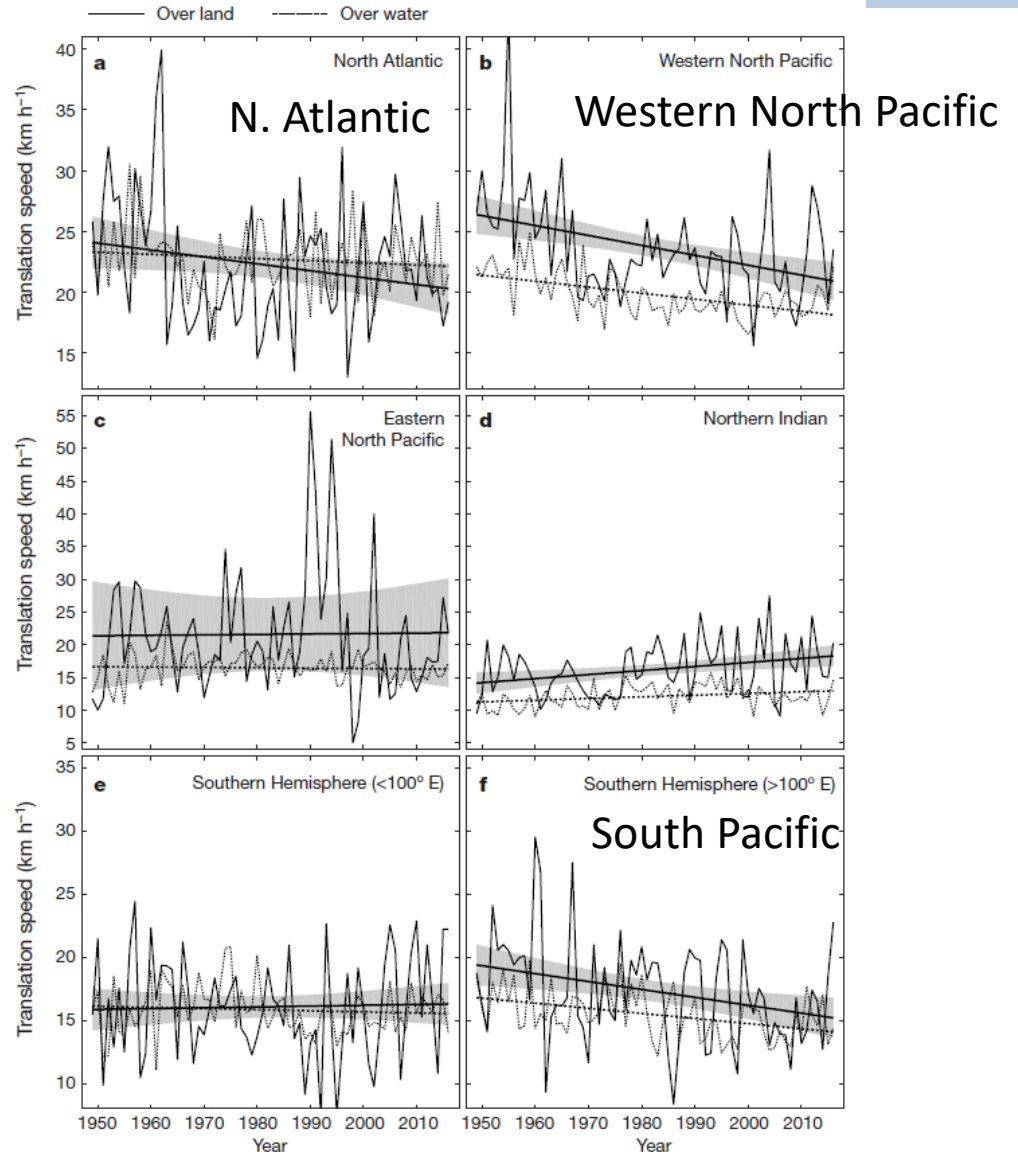
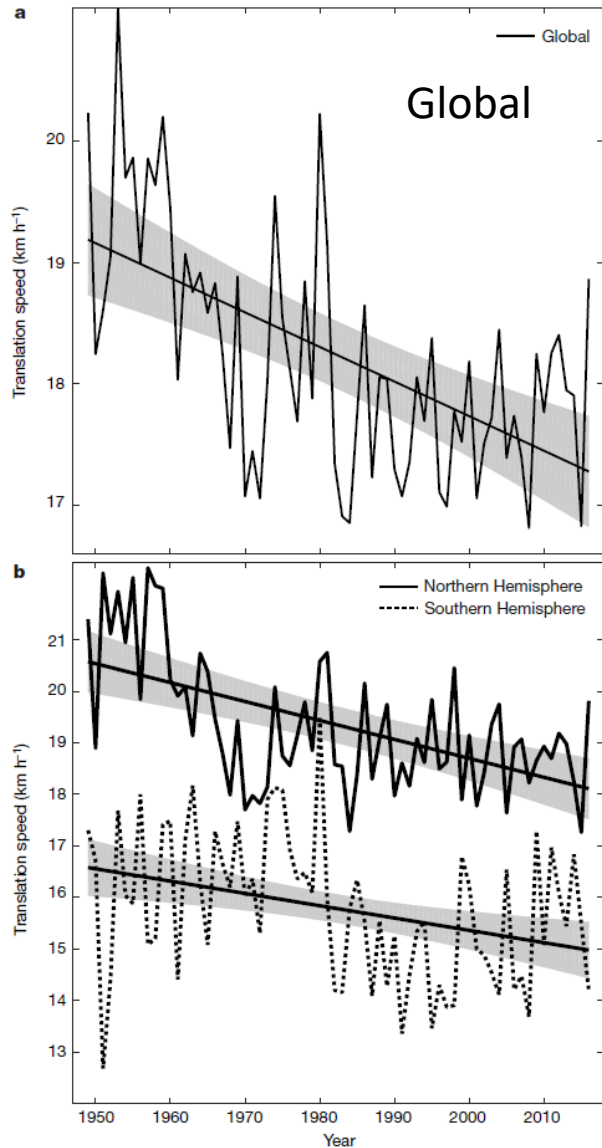
Lucas et al. (2014, *WCC*)

3. Poleward shift of TC Genesis



Daloz and Camargo (2018, *Clim. Dyn*)

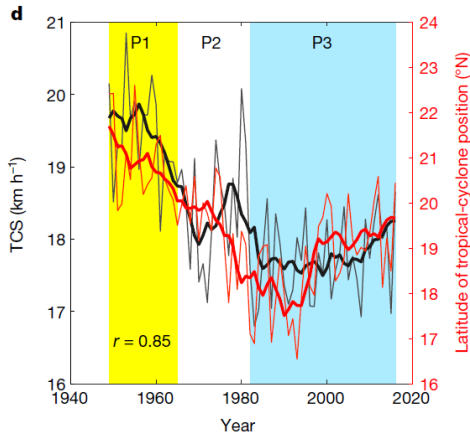
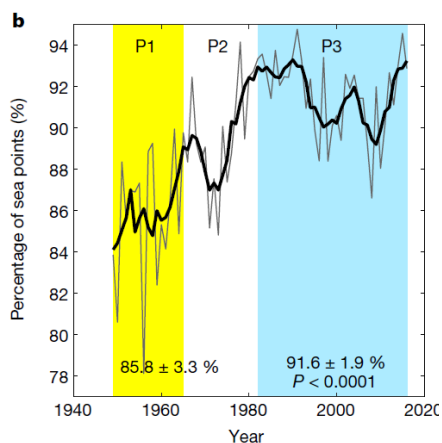
Slowdown of mean TC motion



There are likely to be many factors, natural and anthropogenic, that control tropical-cyclone translation speed.

Kossin (2018, *Nature*)

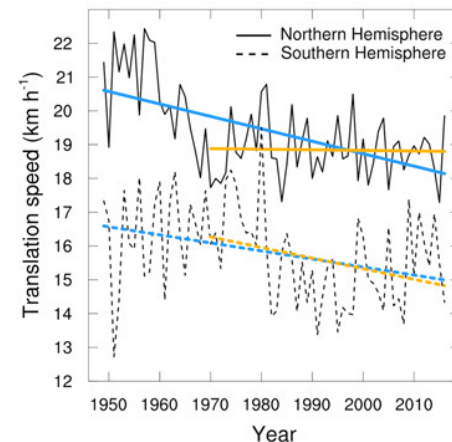
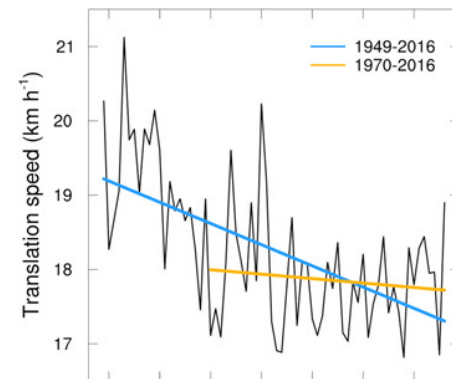
Slowdown of mean TC motion (rebuttal papers)



Moon et al. (2019, *Nature*)

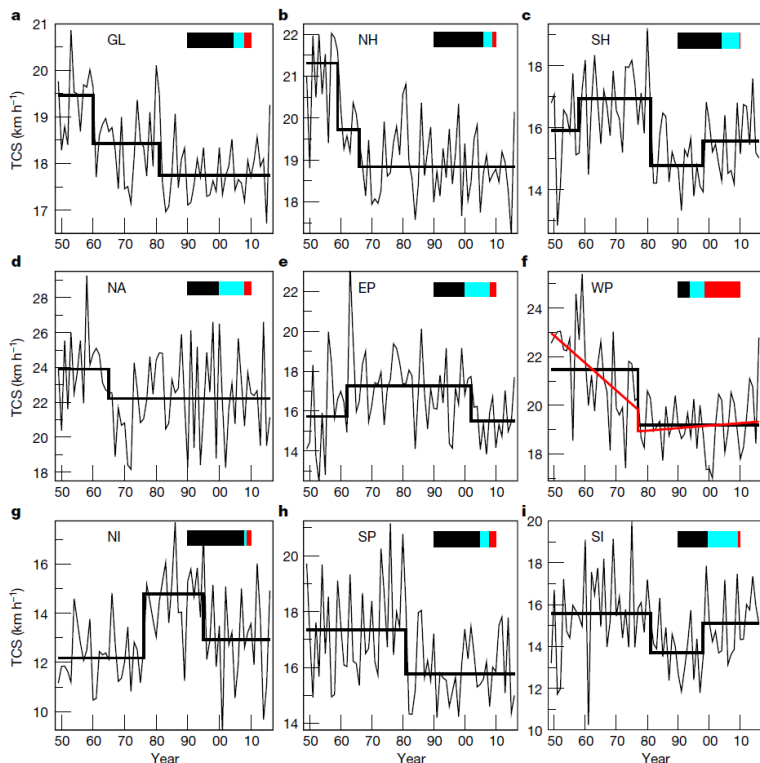
It's just the problem of TC locations.

More TCs in higher latitudes in early decades make the slow-down trend.



Chan (2019, *ERL*)

Trends are less significant after 1970 -> Data issue.



Awkward step-wise variations

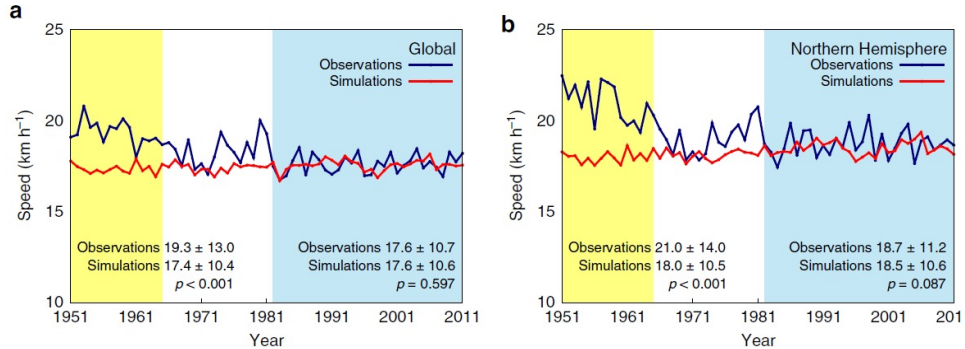
-> Possibility of artificial trends for the slowdown in TC motion

Lanzante (2019, *Nature*)

Slowdown of mean TC motion (historical and future changes by models)



Red: MRI-AGCM, Black: Observations



No change in the historical period by MRI-AGCM.

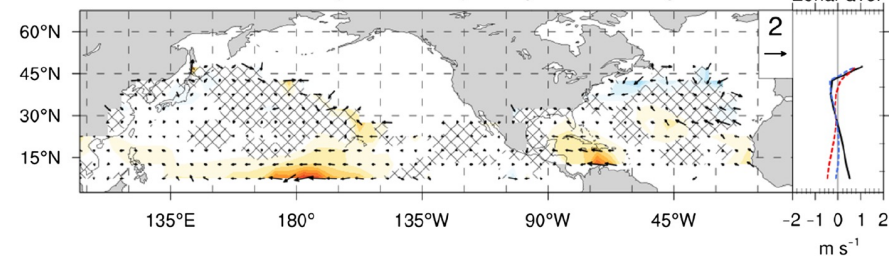
Table 1 Changes in the tropical cyclone translation speed between the current and future climates.

	Current climate	Future Climate	p Value
Global	17.5	18.0	<0.001
Northern Hemisphere	18.3	18.6	<0.001
Southern Hemisphere	16.0	16.3	<0.001
North Atlantic	22.1	22.6	<0.001
Western North Pacific	18.2	18.4	0.017
Eastern North Pacific	18.5	18.7	0.305
Northern Indian	13.8	13.7	0.106
Southern Indian	15.9	15.8	0.140
South Pacific	16.1	17.0	<0.001

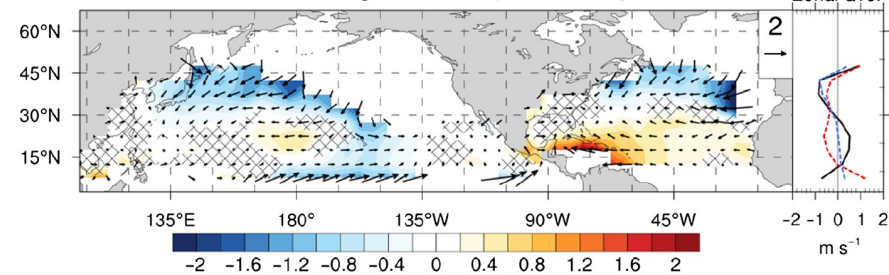
Mean TC motion is projected to be faster because more TCs stay at high latitudes.

Yamaguchi et al. (2020, *Nature Comm*)

A TC motion: historical (1951–2010)—early 20th century



B TC motion: 4-K warming—historical (1951–2010)



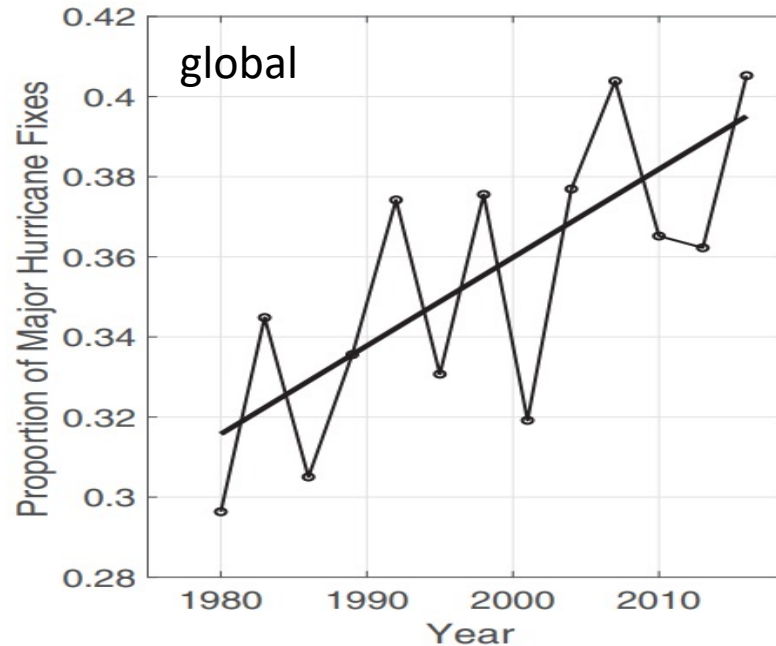
Mean TC motion is projected to be slower at the midlatitudes.

Zhang et al. (2020, *Sci. Adv.*)

Increased occurrence of intense TCs relative to weaker TCs



$$\text{Proportion} = \frac{\text{Total days of Cat3-5 } (\geq 50\text{ms}^{-1}) \text{ occurrence}}{\text{Total days of Cat 1-5 } (\geq 33\text{ms}^{-1}) \text{ occurrence}}$$



Increased proportion of Cat3-5 occurrence over the past 40 years.

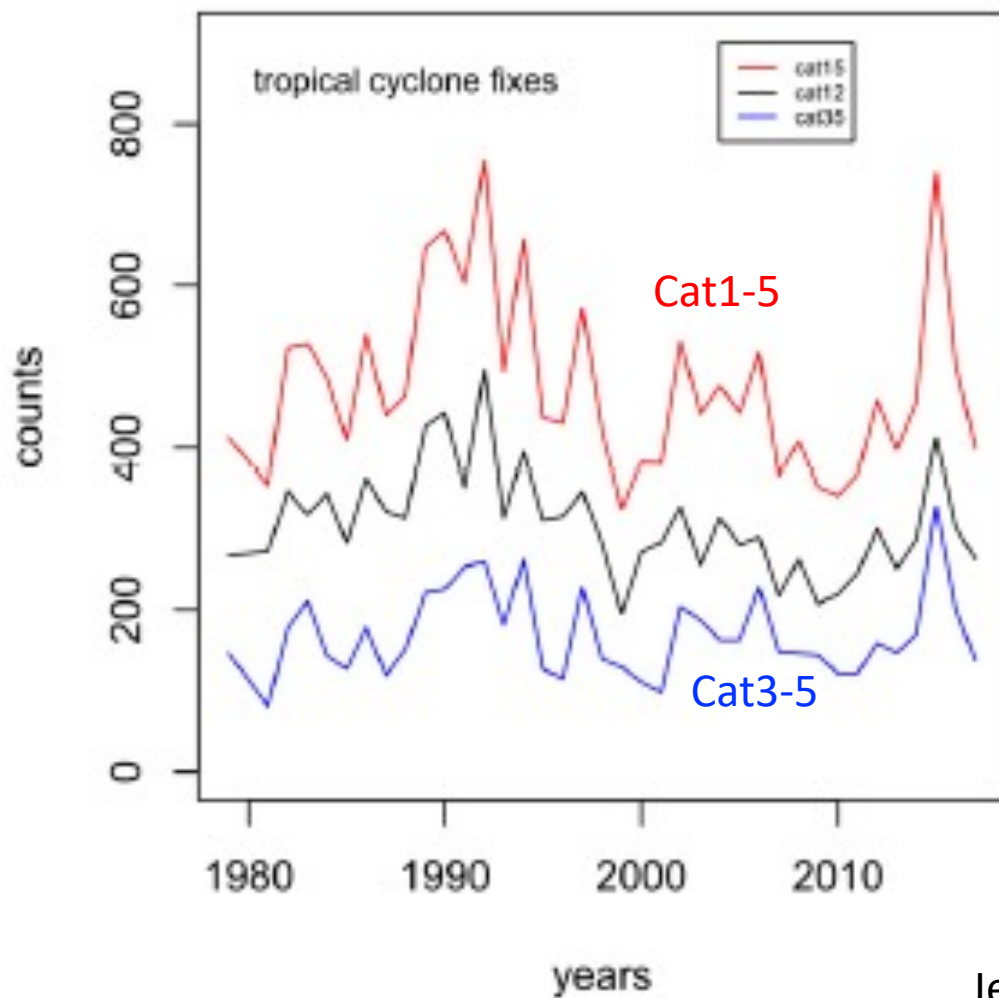
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This results indicate effect of global warming.

Increased occurrence of intense TCs relative to weaker TCs



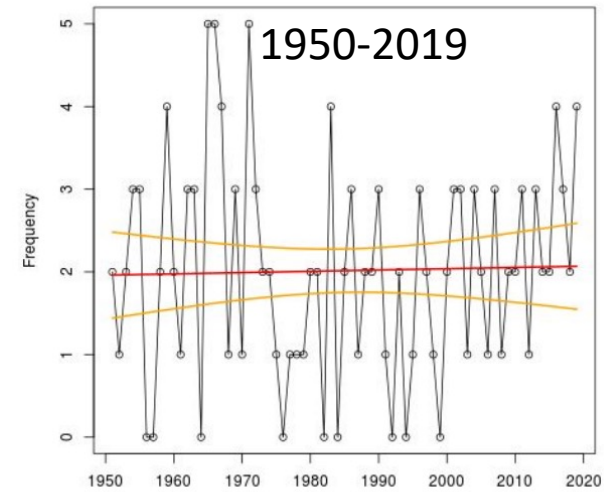
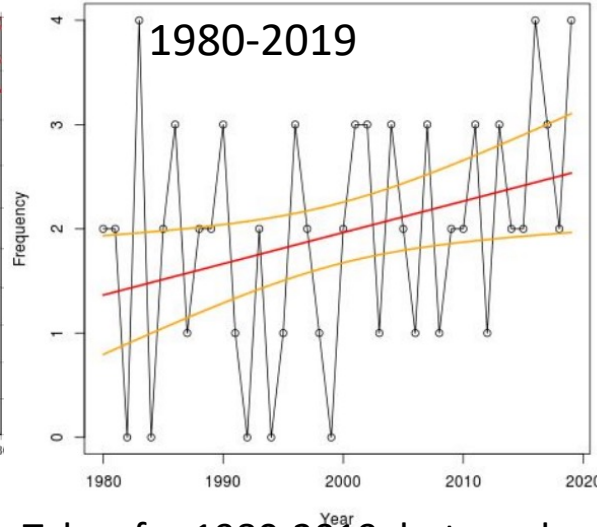
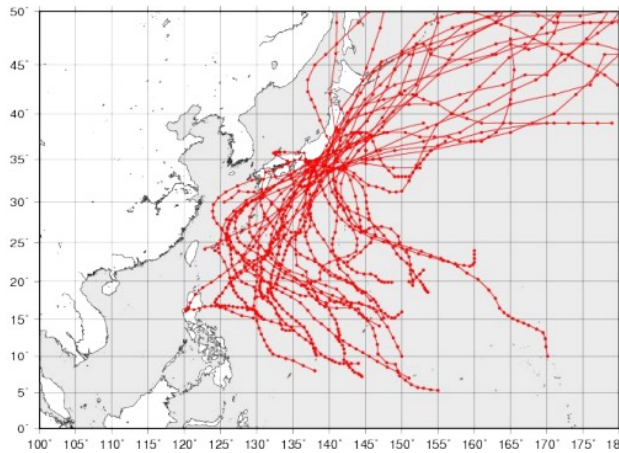
(a)



A slight increase in Cat3-5.

A moderate decrease in Cat1-5.

Long-term trends for the western North Pacific typhoons



Increased TCs approaching to Tokyo for 1980-2019, but no clear trend for 1950-2019, indicating multi-decadal variability rather than anthropogenic climate change

Yamaguchi and Maeda (2021, *JMSJ*)

	P1 (PDO+)	P2 (PDO-)	P2/P1 (PDO-/PDO+)	p-value
Tokyo	53.9 (53.9)	34.9 (34.6)	0.65 (0.64)	< 0.01 (< 0.01)
Osaka	45.3 (45.7)	30.3 (25.6)	0.67 (0.56)	< 0.01 (< 0.01)
Naha	19.5 (20.7)	14.4 (13.3)	0.74 (0.64)	< 0.01 (< 0.01)
Taizhou	21.4 (21.4)	16.5 (16.2)	0.77 (0.76)	0.05 (0.06)
Taipei	17.9 (17.9)	16.1 (14.0)	0.90 (0.78)	0.20 (< 0.01)

Yamaguchi and Maeda also found slowdown of TCs approaching the cities in Japan during P2 (2000-2019) relative to P1 (1980-1999), implying the effect of PDO.

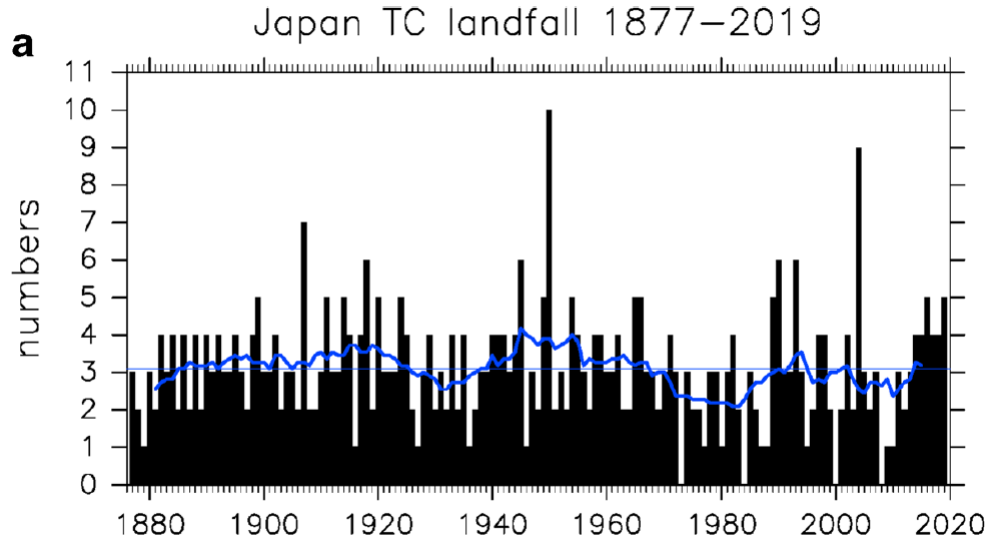
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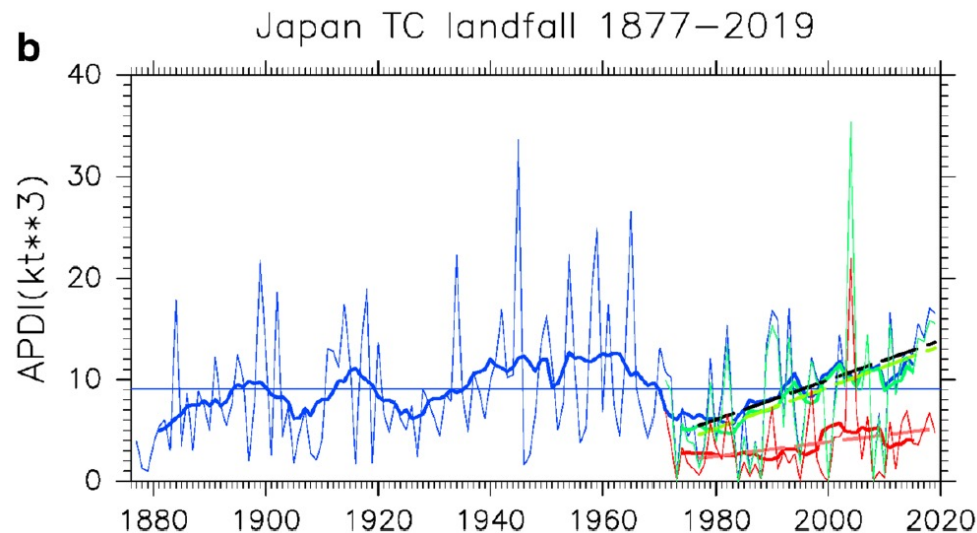


TC data are combined by the TC tracks measured by satellite after 1977 and TCs estimates from the meteorological measurements since the mid-19th century.

“Meteorological Data Rescue”



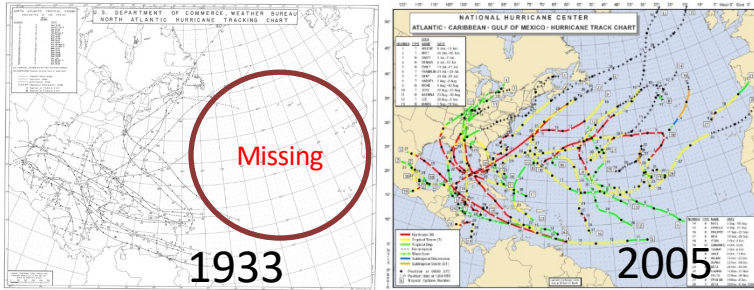
No trend in the number of landfalls in Japan



Increasing PDI since the 1970s, but with multi-decadal variability

Kubota et al. (2021, *Clim. Change*)

Long-term trends for the North Atlantic hurricanes

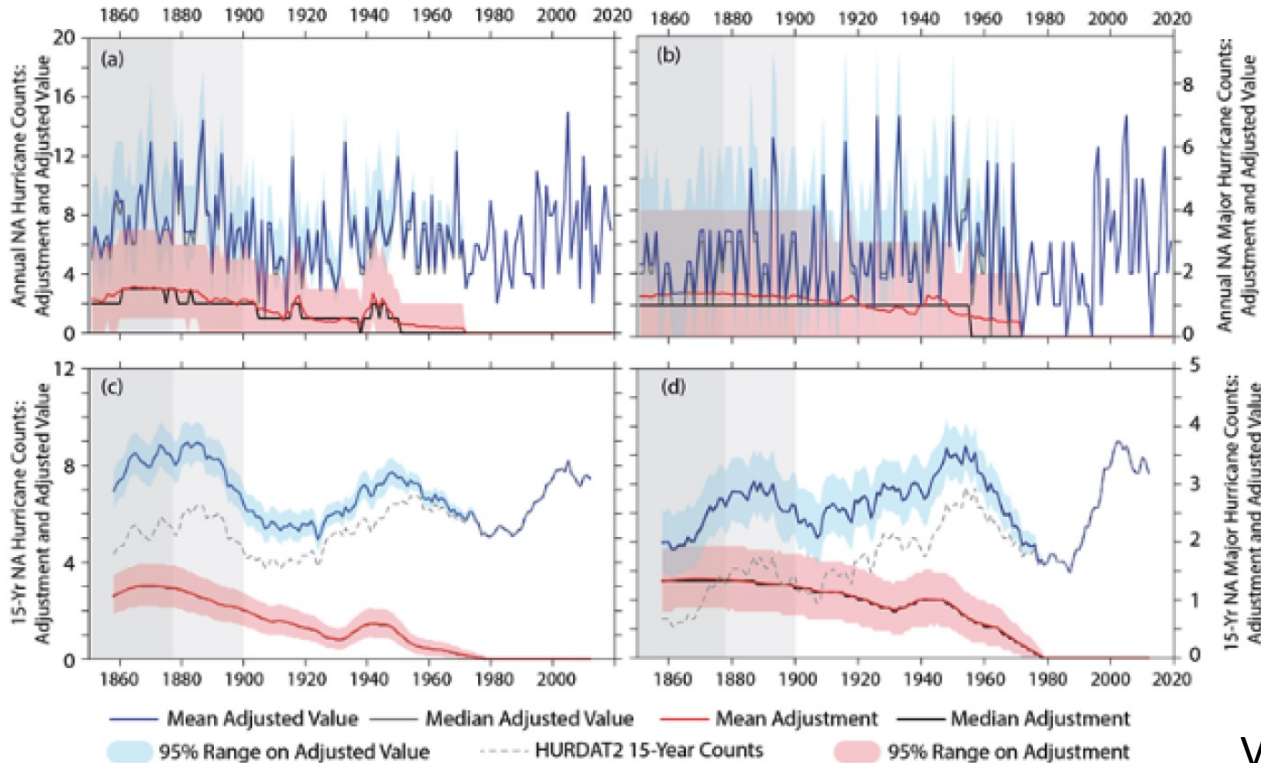


Vecchi et al. (2021) estimated the missing hurricanes before the satellite era (before 1980)

N. Atlantic hurricanes

N. Atlantic major hurricanes

Blue = adjusted; Gray-dashed = unadjusted



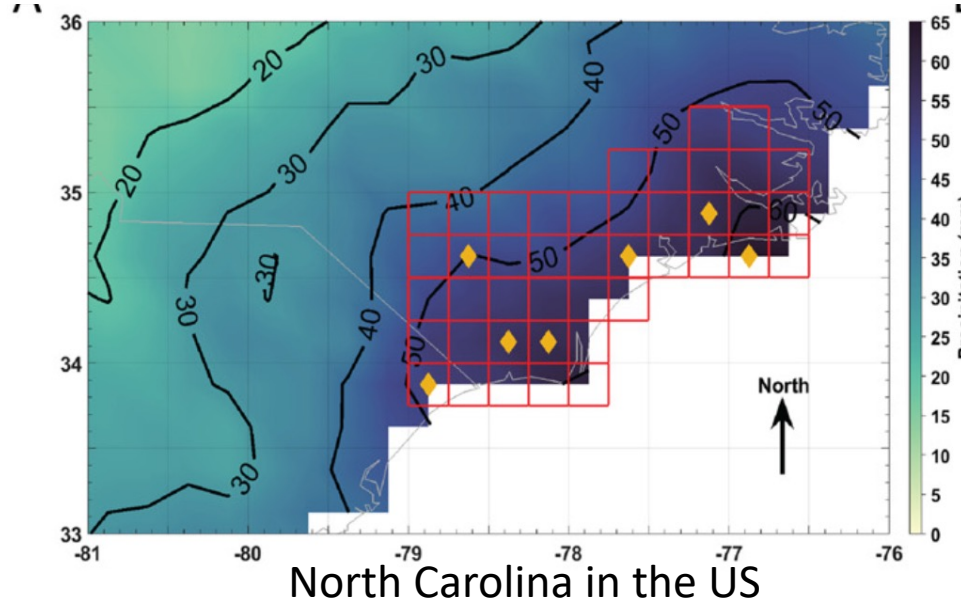
After adjustment, there has been no trend in the basin-total hurricanes (left) and major hurricanes (right) since 1880.

Vecchi et al. (2021, *Nat. Comm*)

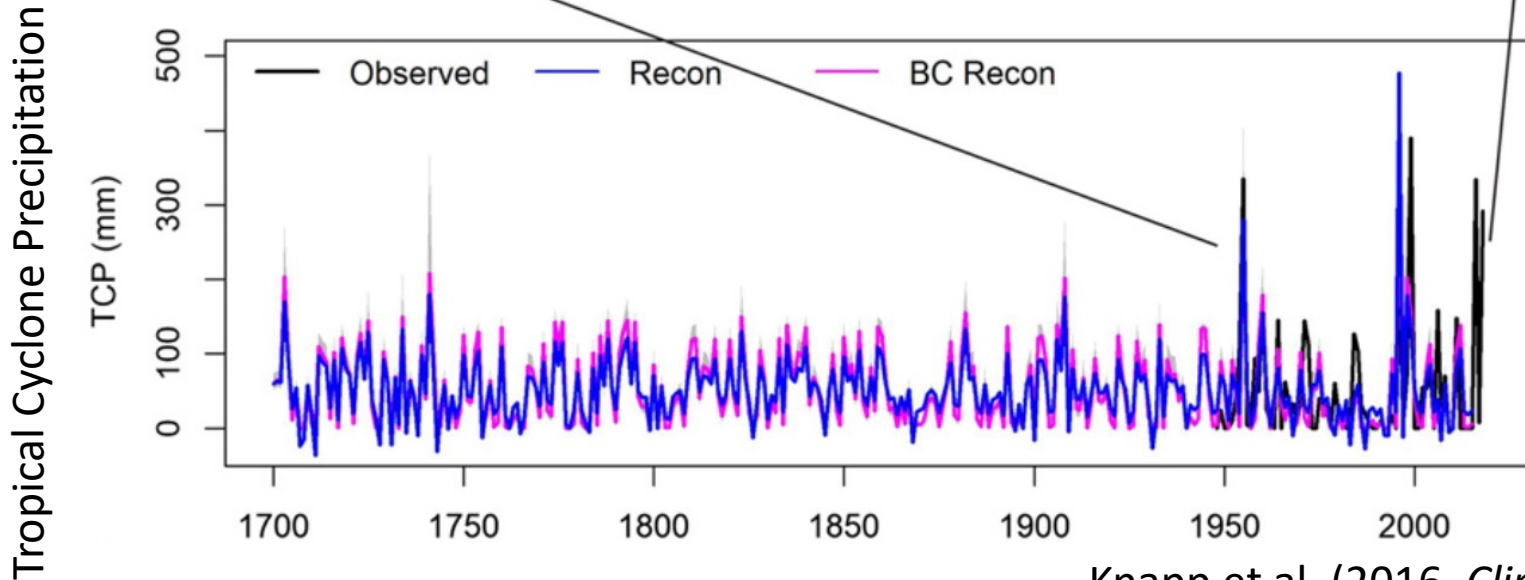
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Estimate of landfalling rainfall by longleaf pine tree ring.

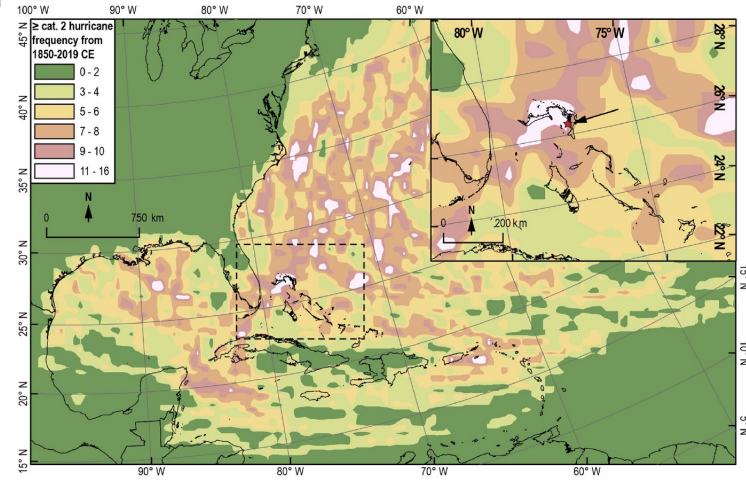
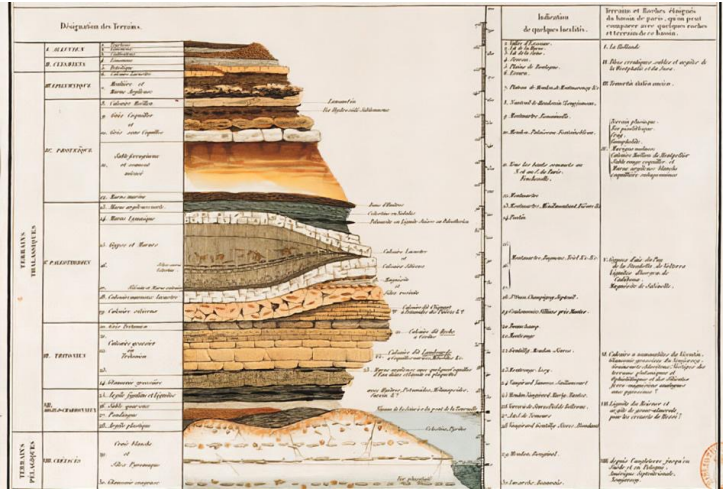


North Carolina in the US

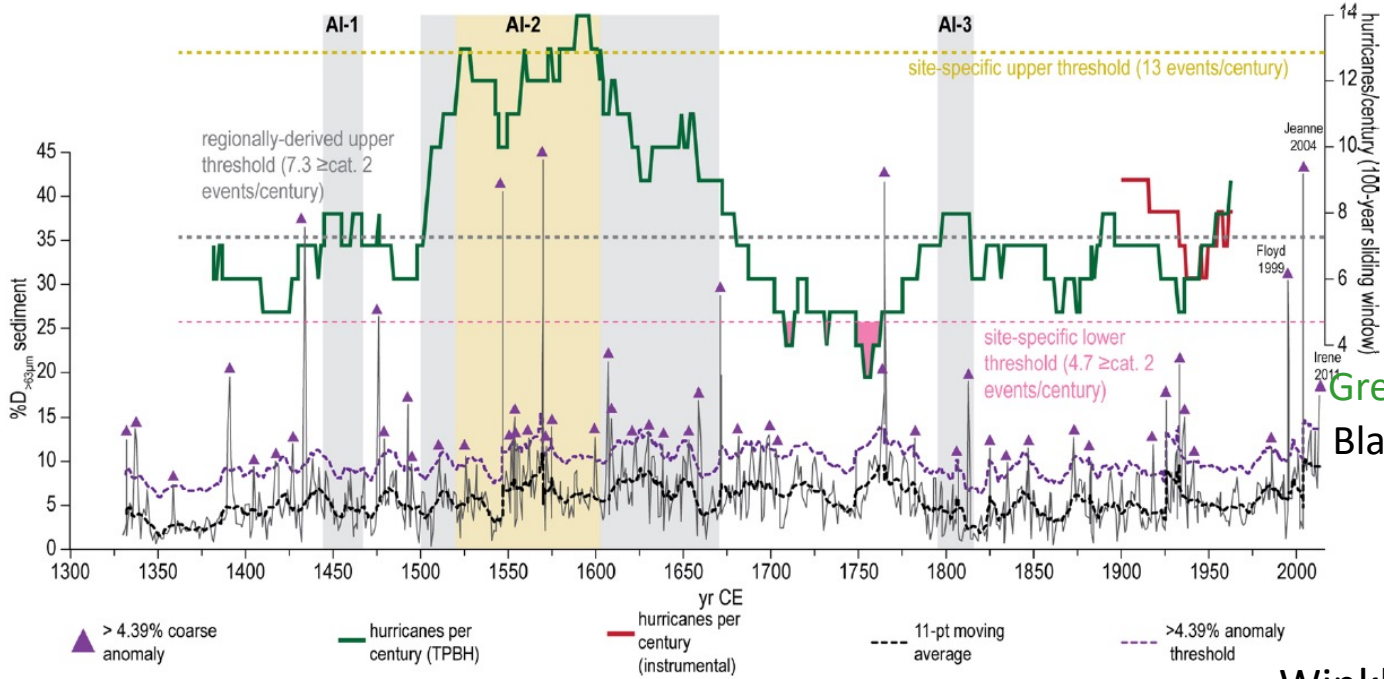


Knapp et al. (2016, *Clim. Change*)
Maxwell et al. (2021, *PNAS*)

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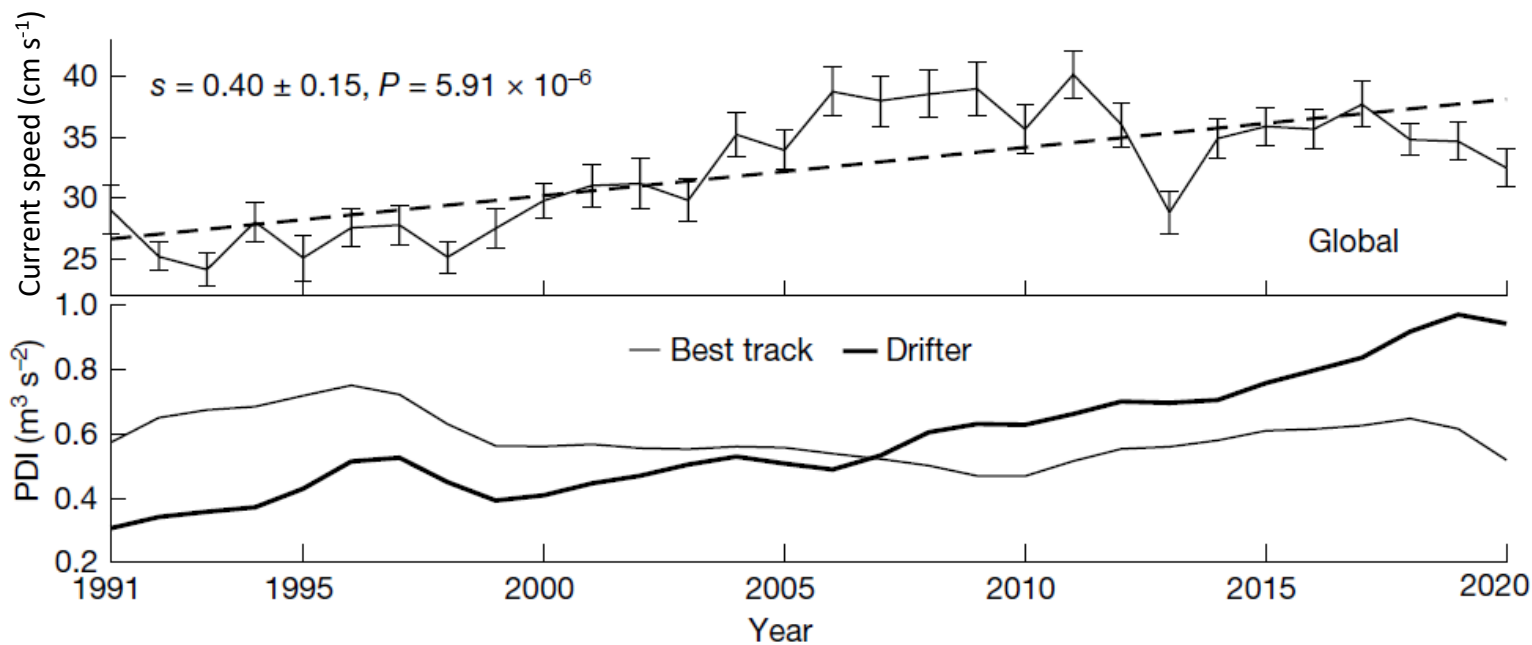
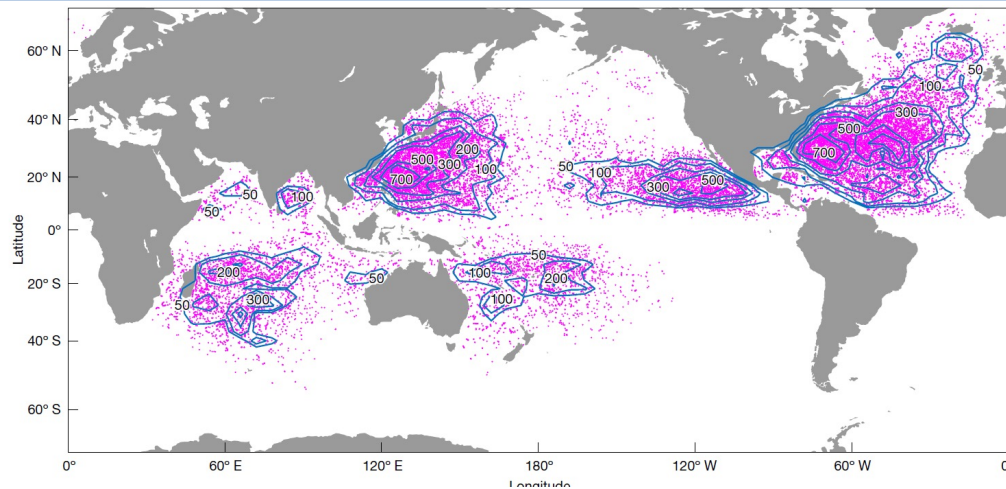
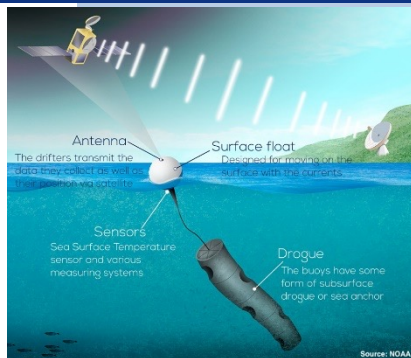


Analyzing sediments enables us to obtain TC landfall events in the past



There was a period (16th century) when hurricanes might be more active than now.

Estimate Hurricane Intensities by ocean current through drifters



PDI for Cat 1 storms

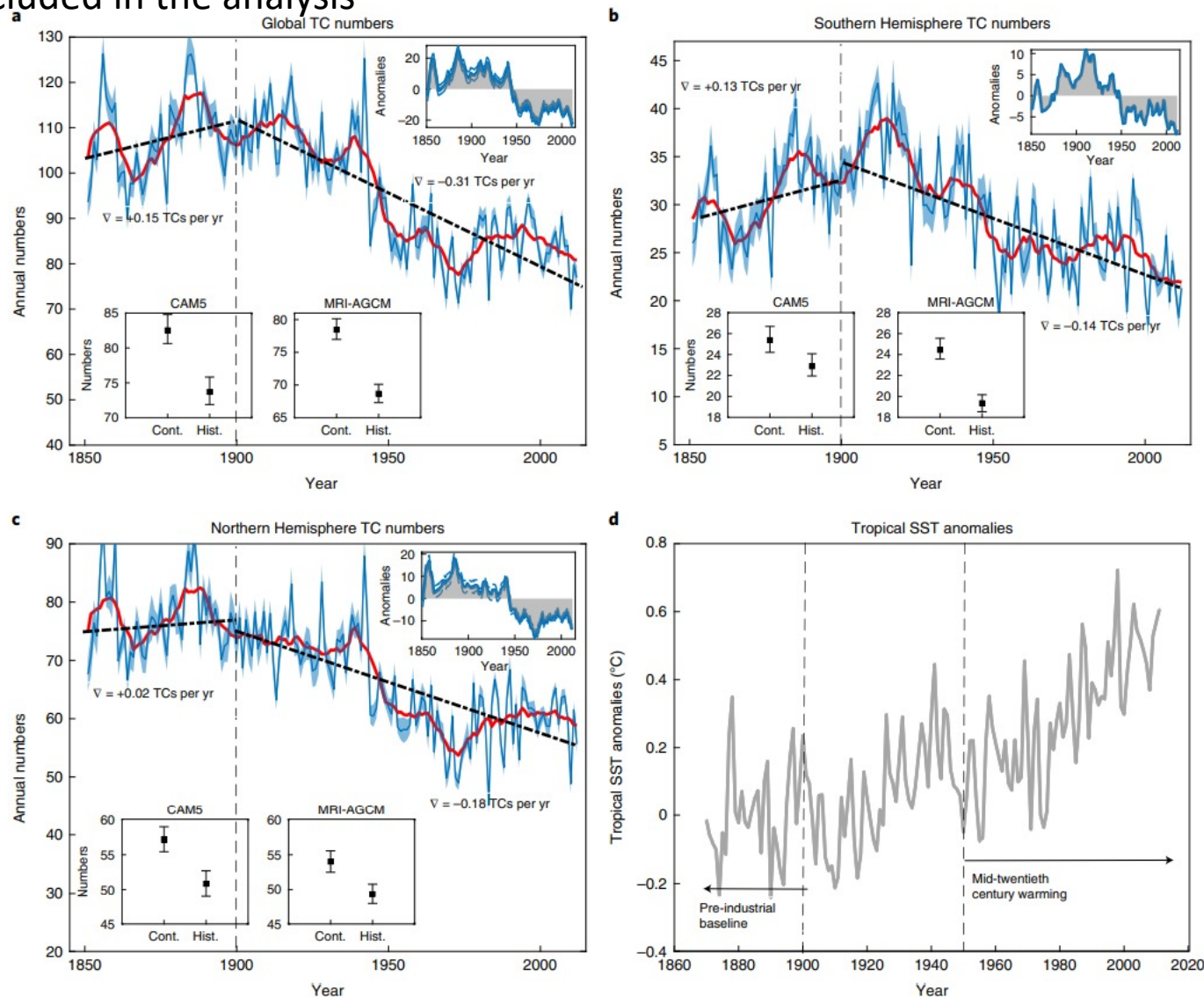
Increasing storm intensity for the Cat 1 hurricanes

Wang et al. (2022, *Nature*)

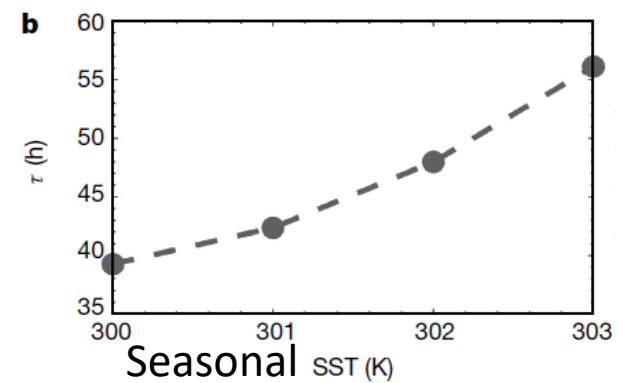
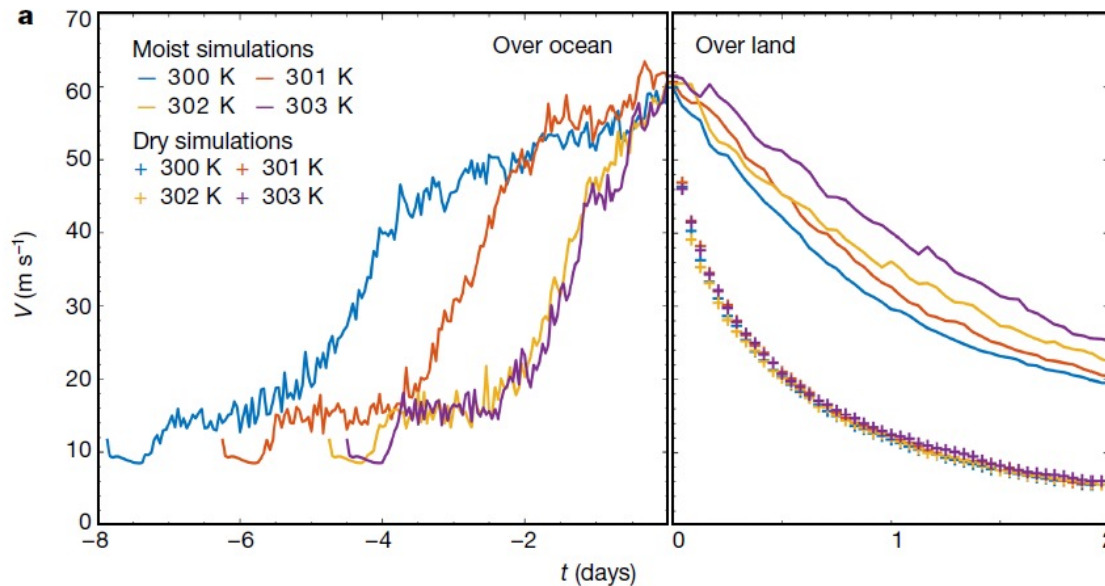
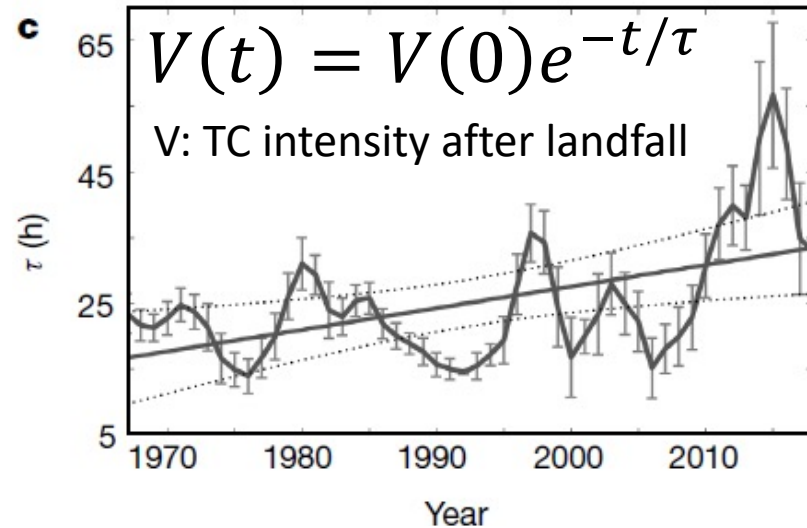
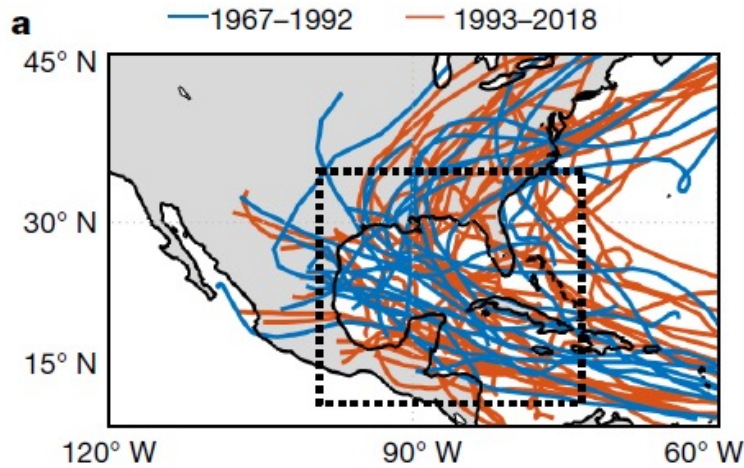
Long-term trends in global TC number



TCs were detected using the NOAA's 20th century analysis, in which only SLP and SST are included in the analysis



Slower decay of landfalling hurricanes



They conducted idealized numerical experiments.

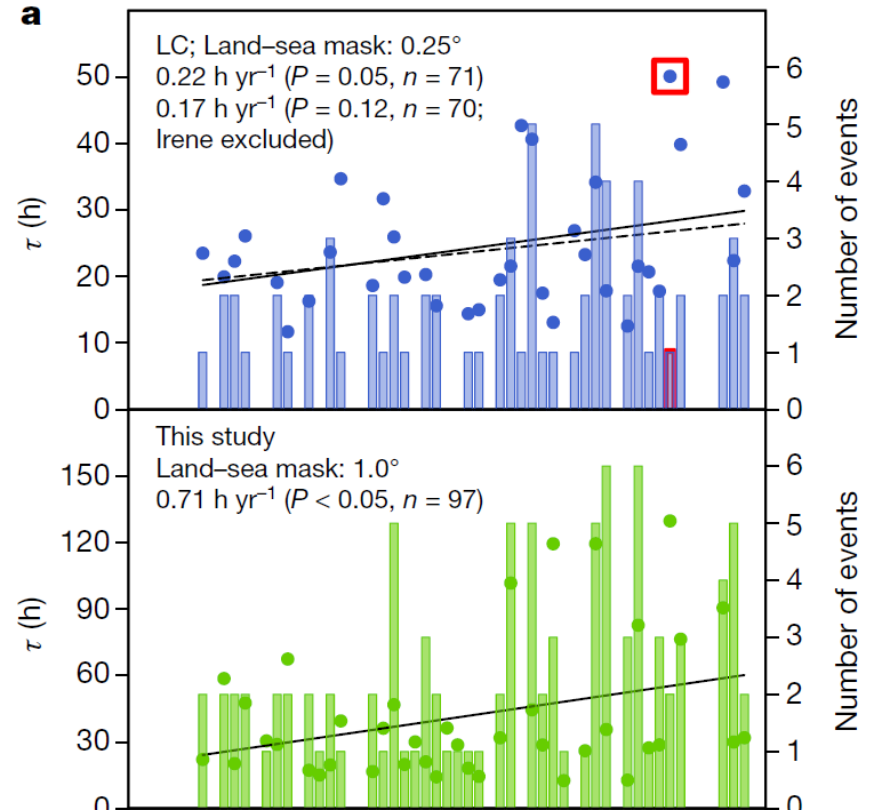
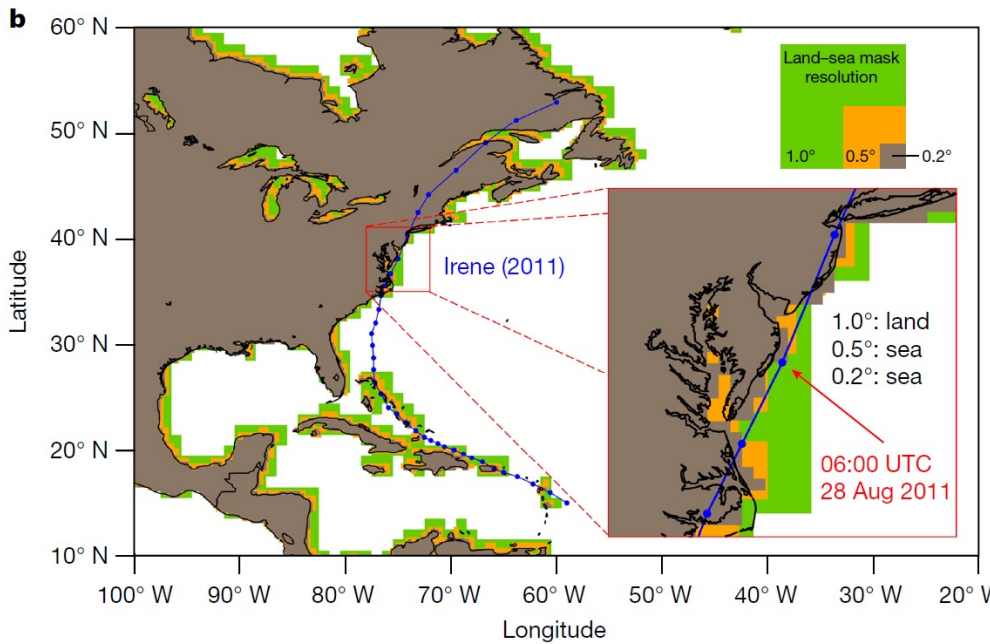
Higher SSTs -> more moisture in the atmosphere
-> delayed decay over the land

Li and Chakraborty (2020, Nature)

Slower decay of landfalling hurricanes (rebuttal paper)



1. Sample size of landfall events is small. Many years have only one. Smoothing three-year data can create many unphysical trend
2. The trends largely depend on the definition of landfall.

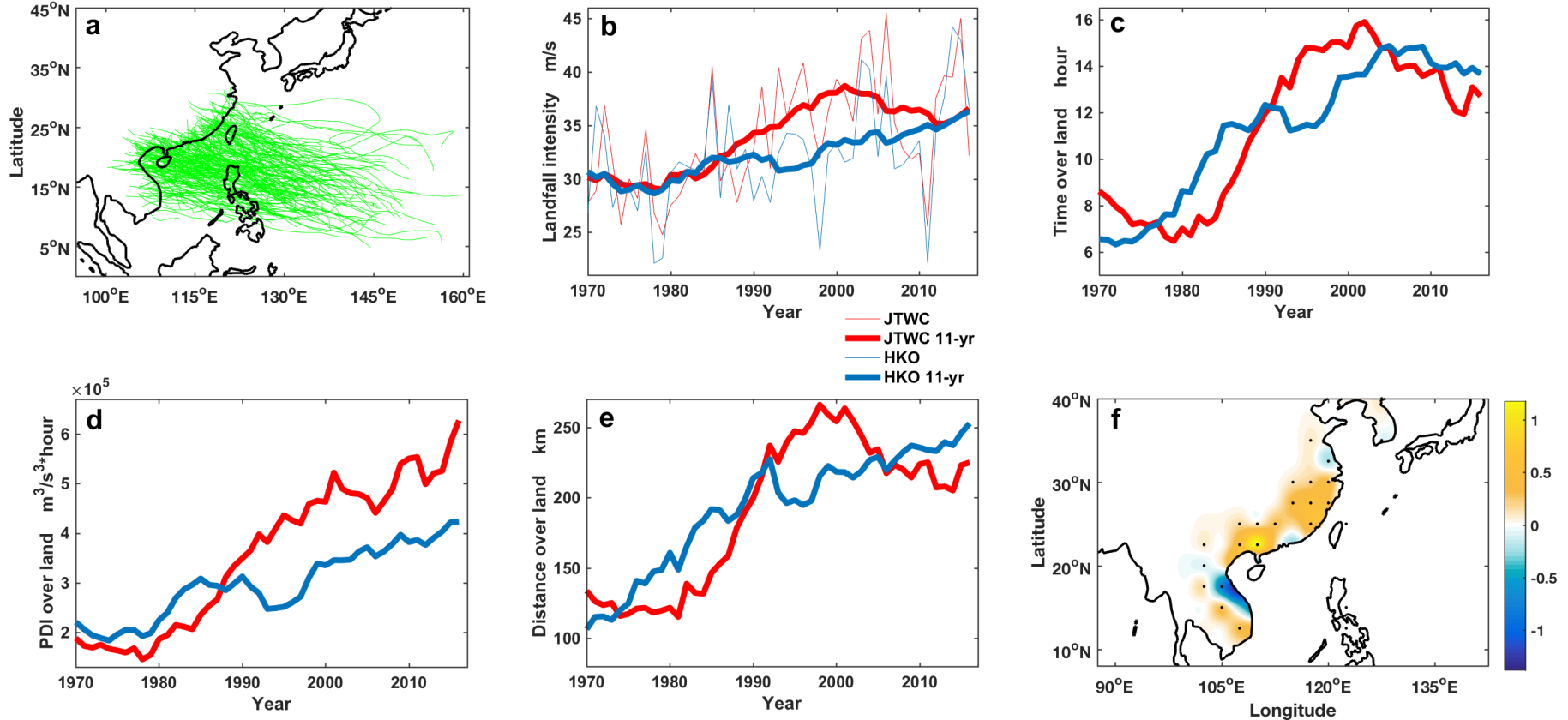


3. Correlation between seasonal (Jun-Nov) SST average and τ is physically meaningless.

Slower decay of landfalling TCs over China



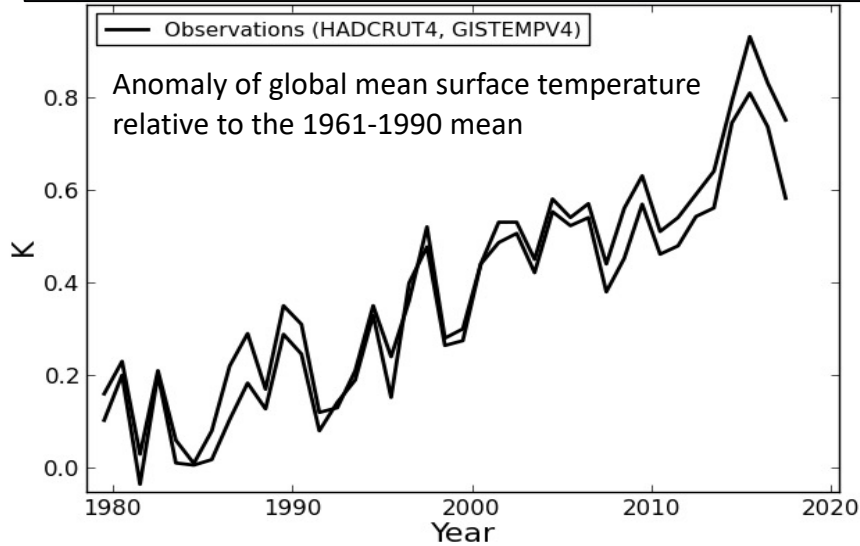
Slower decay of landfalling TCs is also observed over east China.



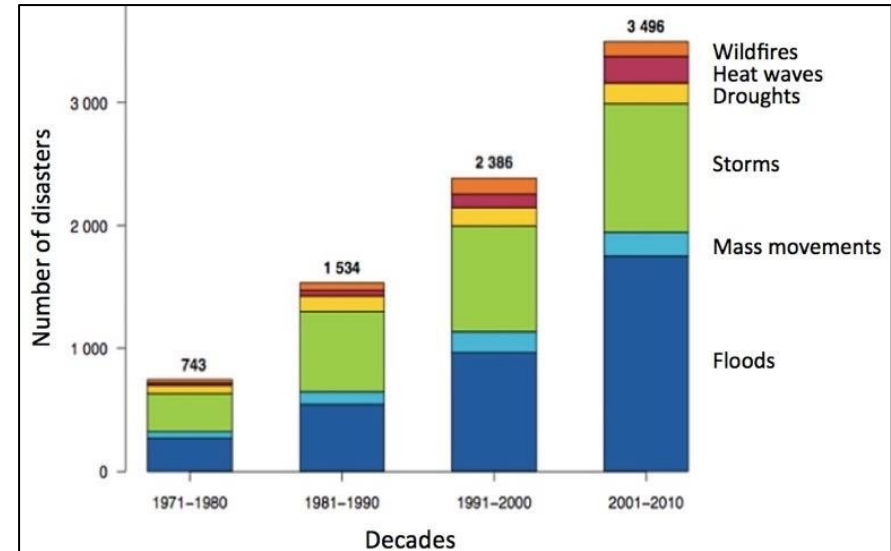
Chen et al. (2021, *Front. Earth Sci.*)

Any trend in global TC activity since 1980?

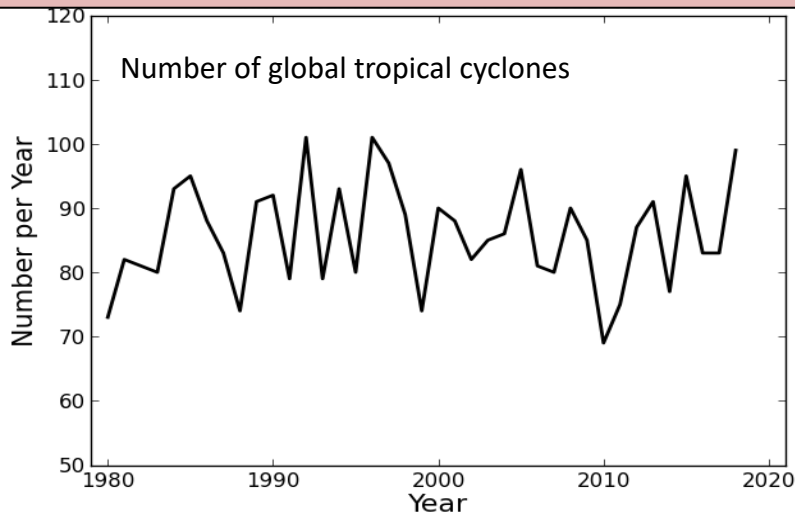
Observed global mean surface temperature shows an increase between 1980 and 2018.



Global Frequency of Natural Disasters (1971–2010)



There is no significant trend in global TC number, indicating no impact of global warming on global TC.

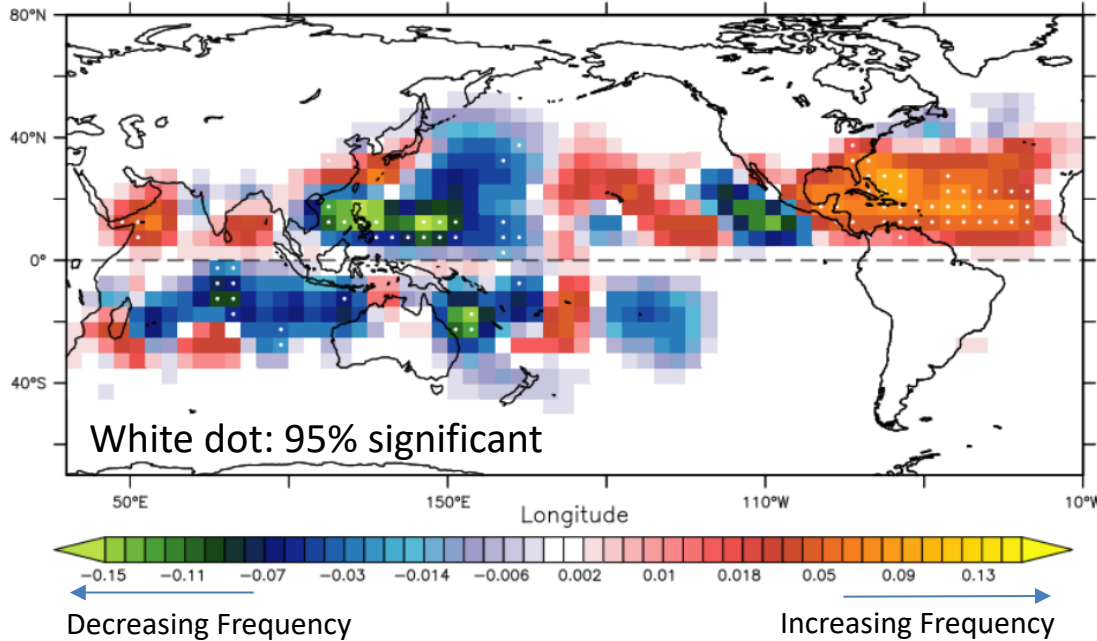


Are there really no climatic change emerged in the global tropical cyclone activity?

Observed Trend in Global TC Occurrence (1980-2018)

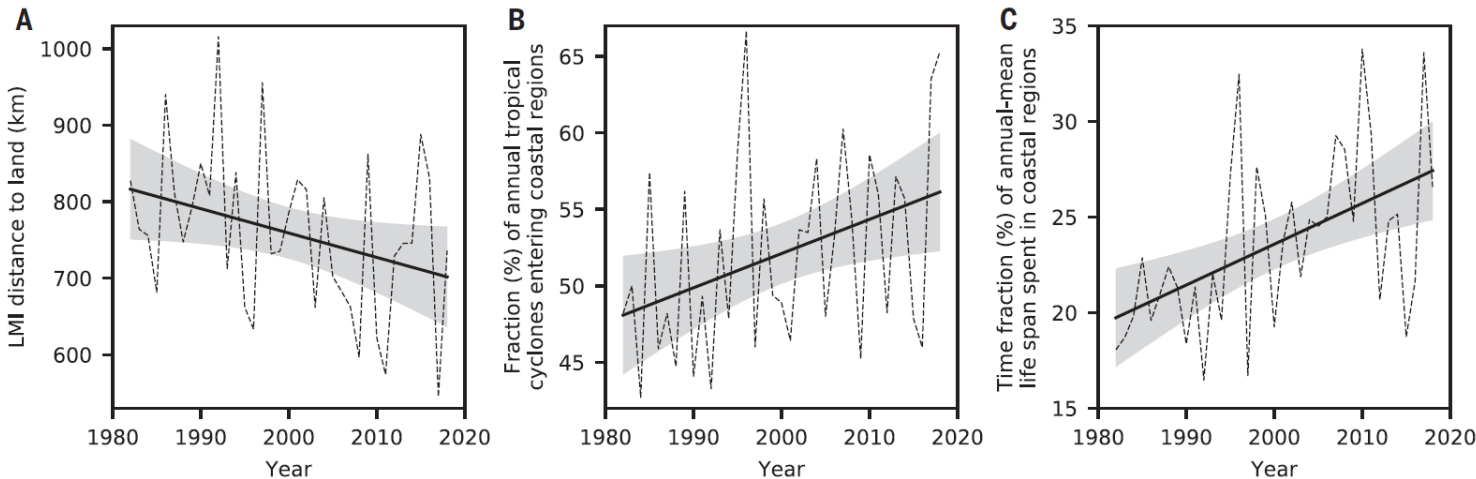


Observed Trend in TCF (1980–2018)



- TCF (or TC density) is defined as total TC frequency of occurrence for every 5x5 degree grid cell.
- TCF shows significant negative and positive trends depending on region over 1980-2018.
- **Is this spatial pattern of the trends due to the external forcing or internal variability?**

Murakami et al. (2020, PNAS)



Marked observed trend in TCs approaching coastal regions all over the world.

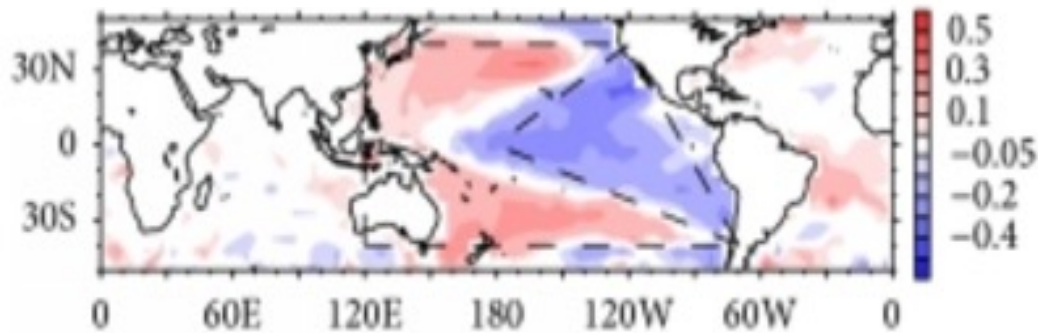
Wang and Toumi (2021, *Science*)

Observed Trend in Global TC Activity (1980-2018)

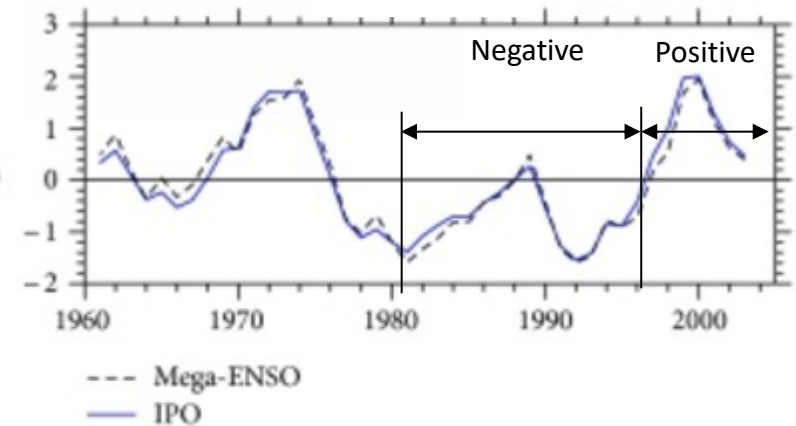


Inter-decadal Pacific Oscillation (IPO)

Observed SST regressed on IPO index



IPO index



Inter-decadal variabilities such as IPO or PDO may be a critical factor for the changes in global TC distribution

Impact of IPO on TCF (Long-term Control Experiments)



PiControl: Free running coupled-model simulations forced with the fixed anthropogenic forcing at the 1860 level.

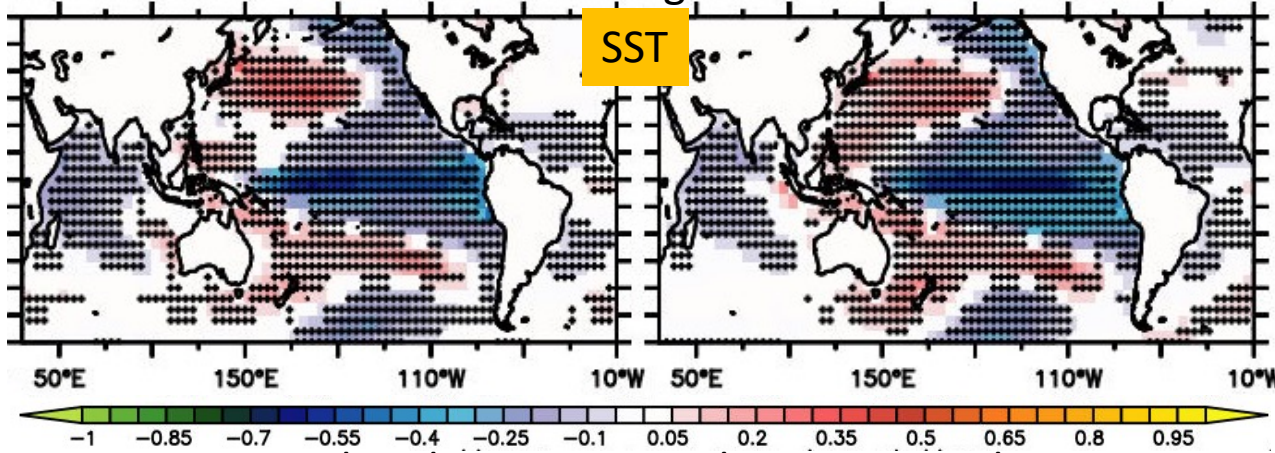
FLOR-FA (1000-years)

SPEAR_MED (1000-years)

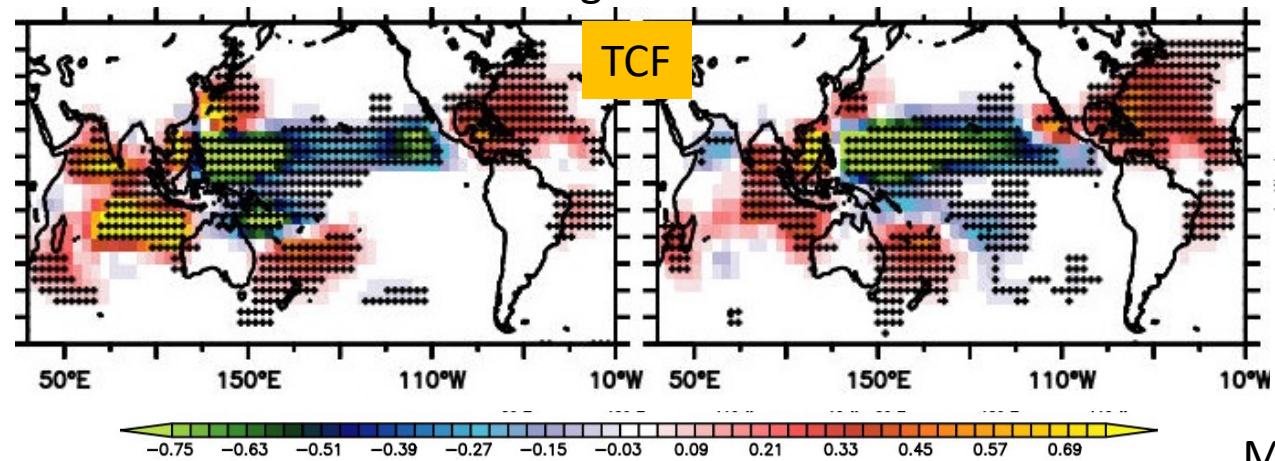
FLOR (50-km, Coupled model)

SPEAR_MED (50-km, Coupled model)

Simulated SST Regressed on $-1 \times$ IPO Index

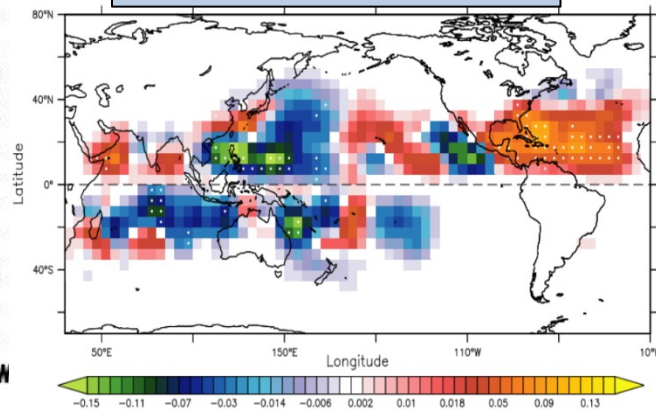


Simulated TCF Regressed on $-1 \times$ IPO Index



They hypothesized that the observed TCF trend is **not only caused by the multidecadal internal variability** like IPO, but other external forcing may be related.

Observed Trend in TCF (1980-2018)



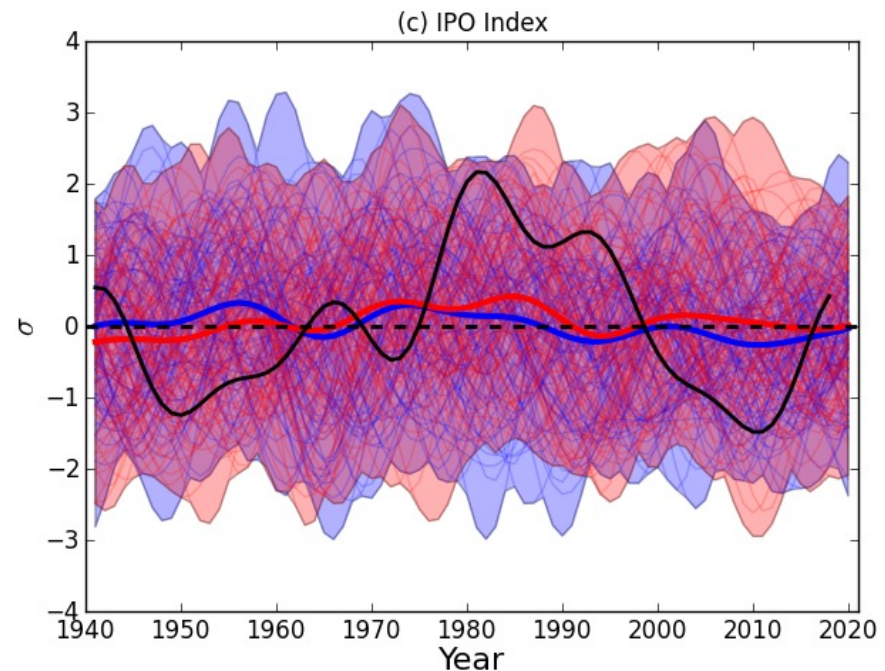
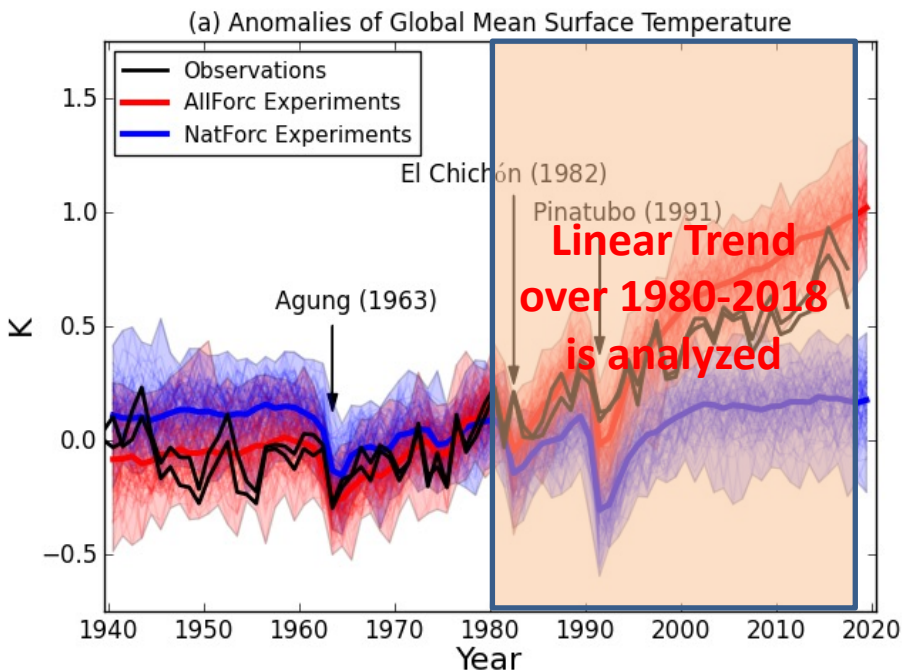
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AllForc: Historical simulations by prescribing time-varying external forcing (green-house gases, aerosols, volcanic forcing, and solar constant)

95 ensemble members: SPEAR_MED (30 members), FLOR (30 members), and FLOR-FA (35 members)

NatForc: As in AllForc, but only with time-varying volcanic forcing and solar constant.

90 ensemble members = SPEAR_MED (30 members), FLOR (30 members), and FLOR-FA (30 members)

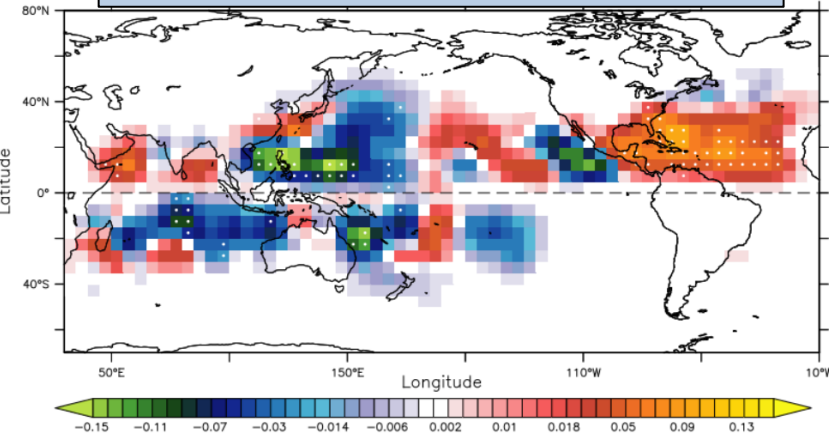


Each ensemble member shows different phase of internal variability.
Internal variability can be canceled out by averaging the members.

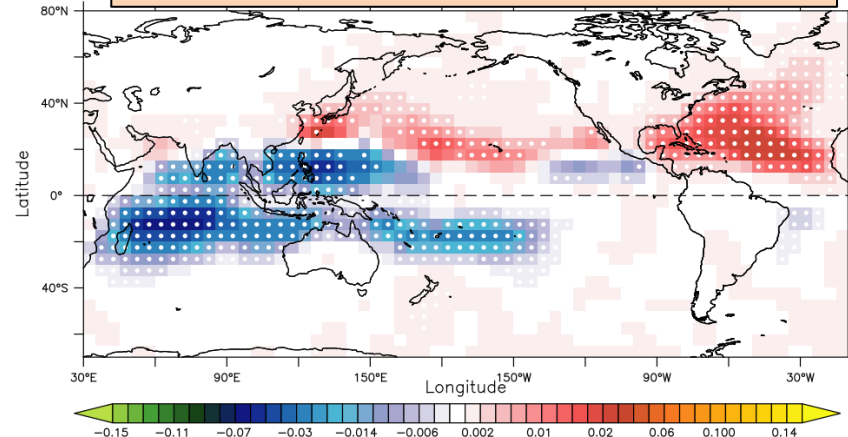
Effect of External Forcing on the TCF Trend



Observed Trend in TCF (1980-2018)

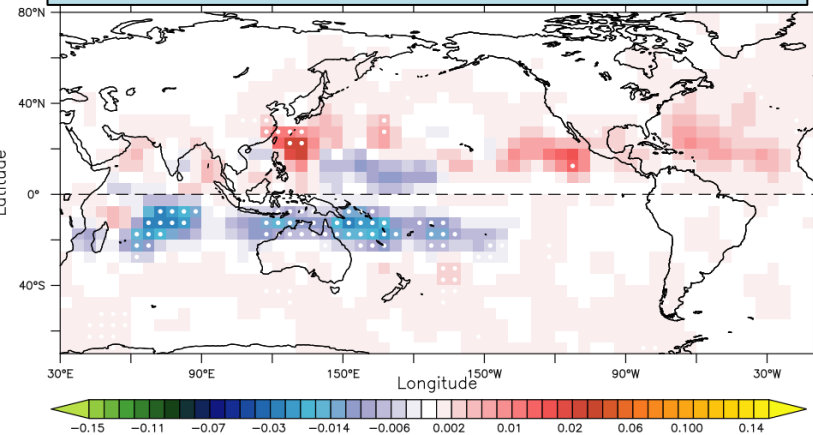


AllForc (95-member mean, 1980-2018)



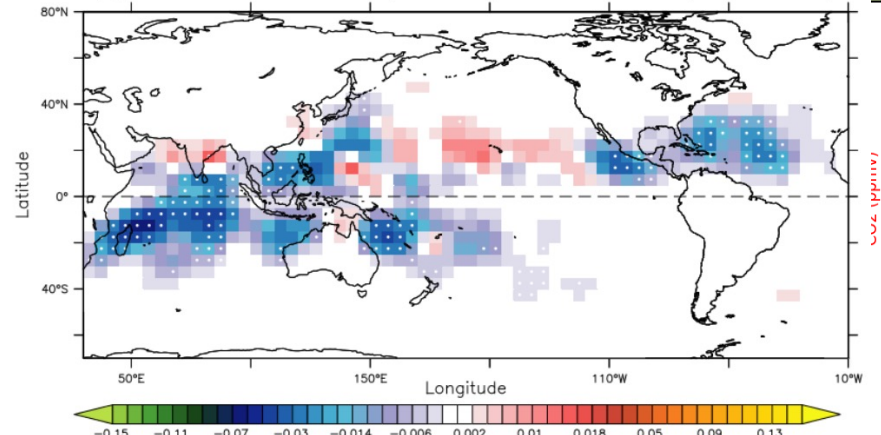
A similar spatial pattern with observations indicates marked influence of external forcing on global TCF.

NatForc (90-member mean, 1980-2018)



Volcanic forcing causes a northward shift in TCF, which is also similar to the observed TCF trend.

Transient 2xCO₂ (3-member mean, 70 yrs)



Transient +1%/yr CO₂ experiment

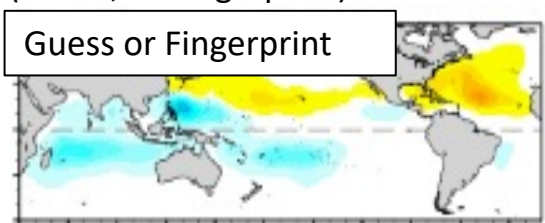
- Fully Coupled
- +1% CO₂ increase up to 2xCO₂ (at year 171) then fixed

Optimal Fingerprint Analysis



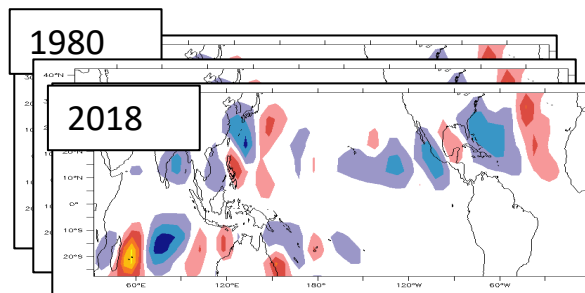
Question: How much of the observed TCF trends over 1980–2018 can be statistically distinguishable from internally generated noise? If they can be distinguished from noise, by what year did this occur?

An Expected Climate Signal Pattern
(Guess, or Fingerprint)

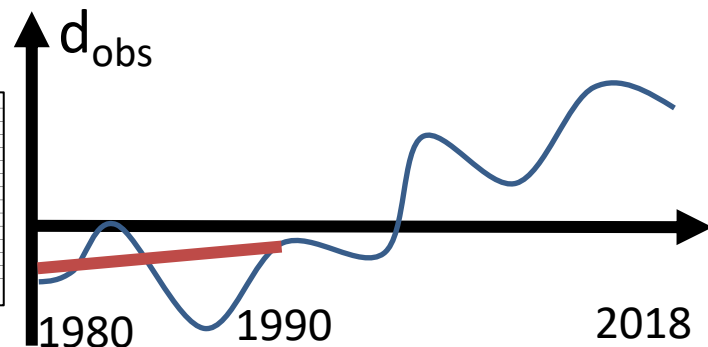


$F(x,y)$

Observed Annual TCF Anomaly (1980-2018)

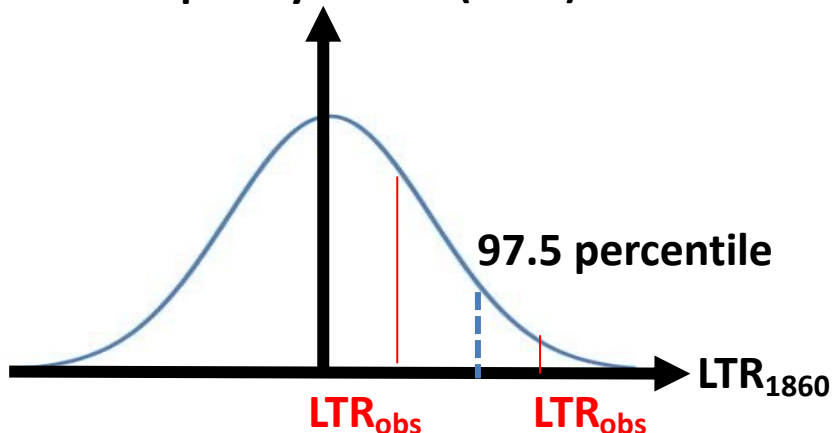


$TCF_{obs}(x,y,t)$

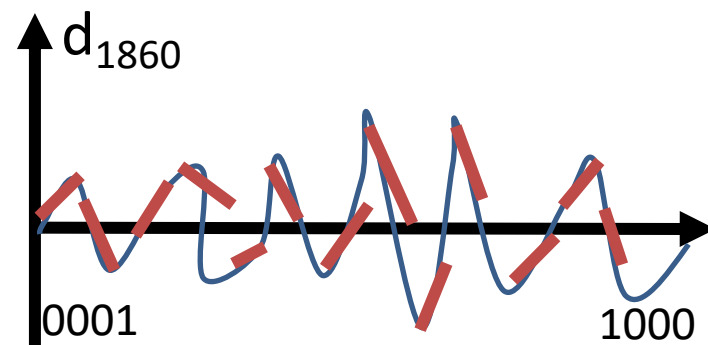


Observed linear trend
between 1980 – 1990: $LTR_{obs}(L=10)$

Frequency for $LTR(L=10)$



Not distinguishable from noise (not detected)
Distinguishable from noise (detected)



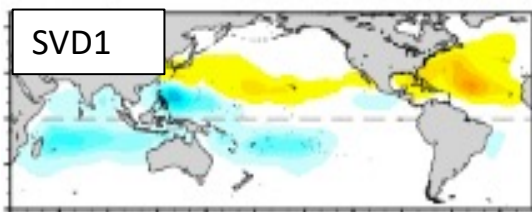
$LTR_{1860}(L=10)$ samples
can be obtained from PiCntl.

Optimal Fingerprint Analysis



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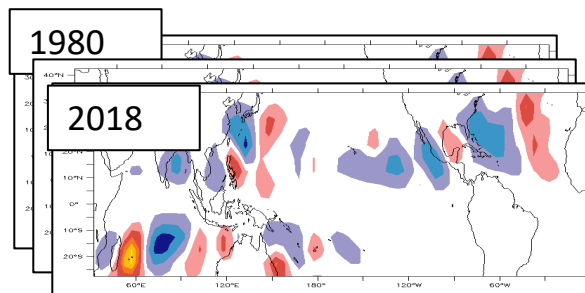
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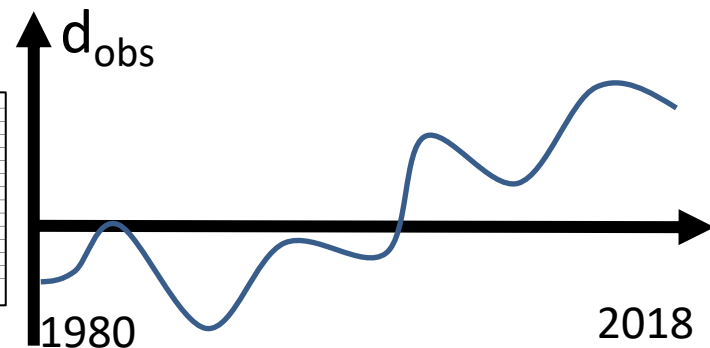
$G(x,y)$

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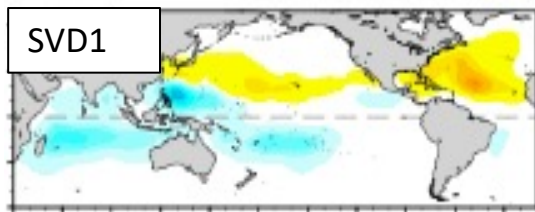
Observed Annual TCF Anomaly (1980-2018)



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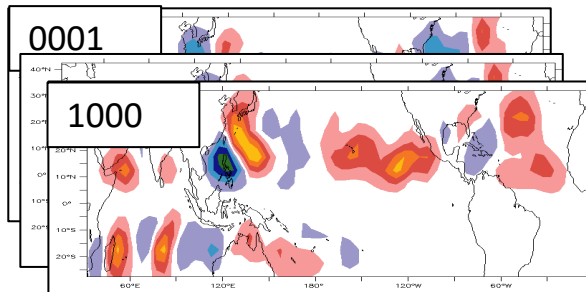
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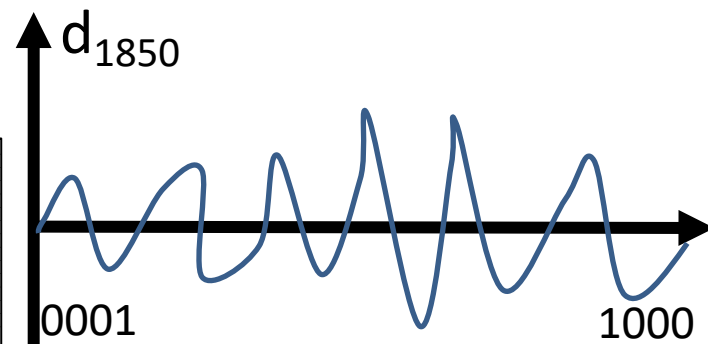
$G(x,y)$

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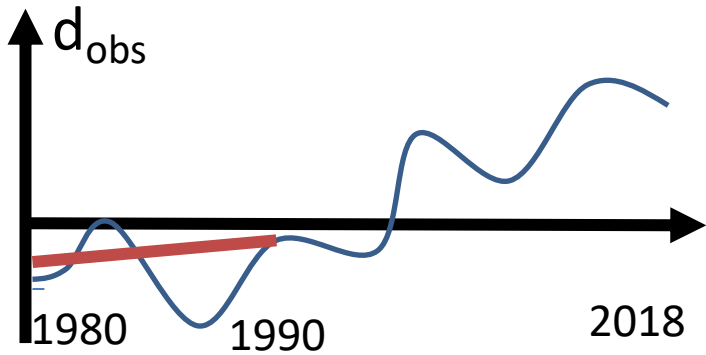
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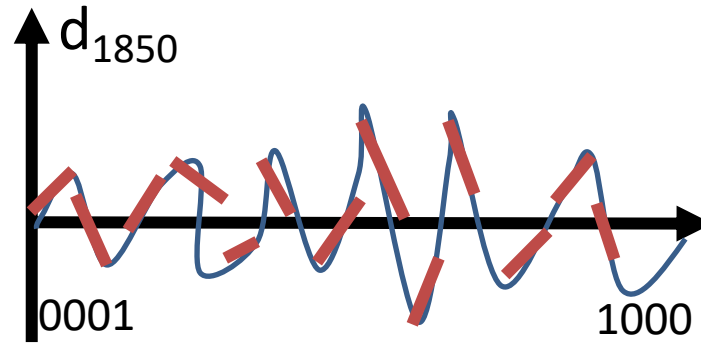
$TCF_{1860}(x,y,t)$



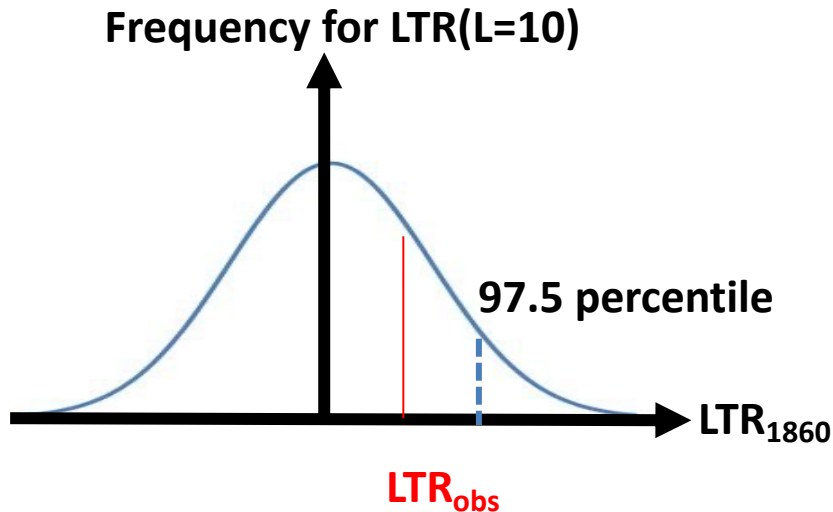
Optimal Fingerprint Analysis (Concept)



Observed linear trend
between 1980 – 1990: $LTR_{obs}(L=10)$

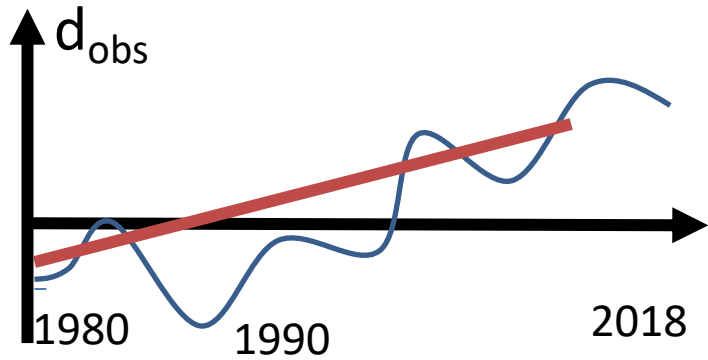


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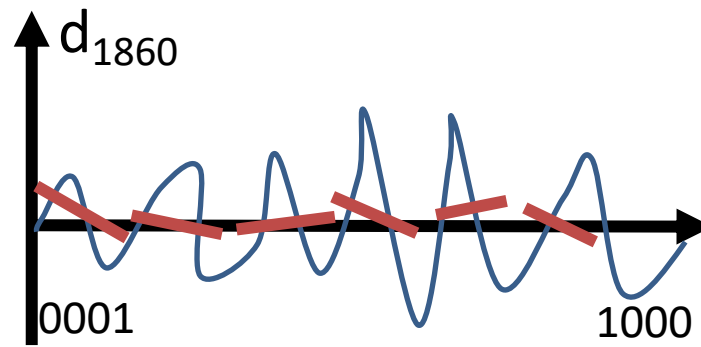


Not distinguishable from noise (not detected)

Optimal Fingerprint Analysis (Concept)

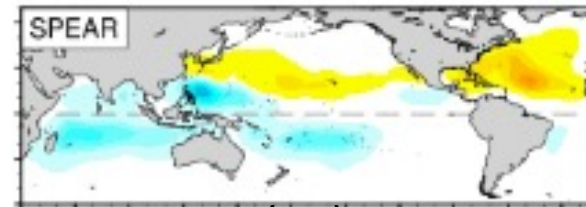


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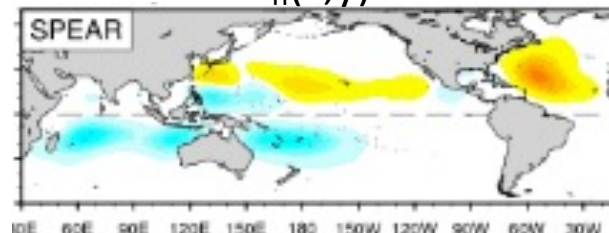


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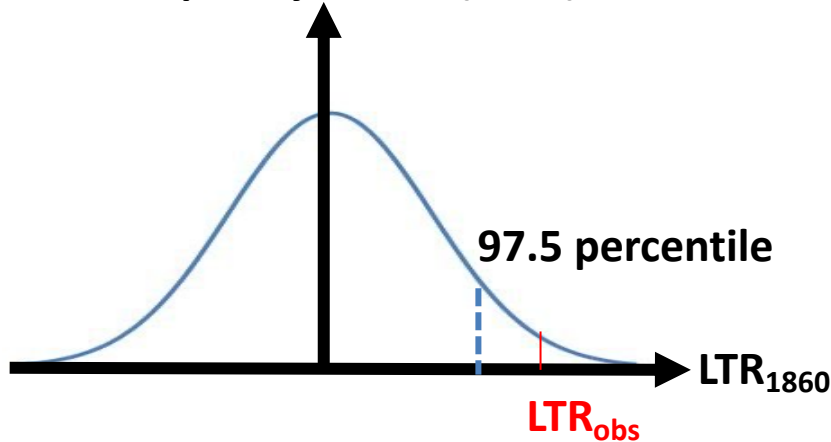


$F_n(x,y)$

Optimizing using the first
 n -th EOF modes.



Frequency for $LTR(L=30)$



Distinguishable from noise (detected)

Optimal Fingerprint Analysis (Guess or Fingerprint)



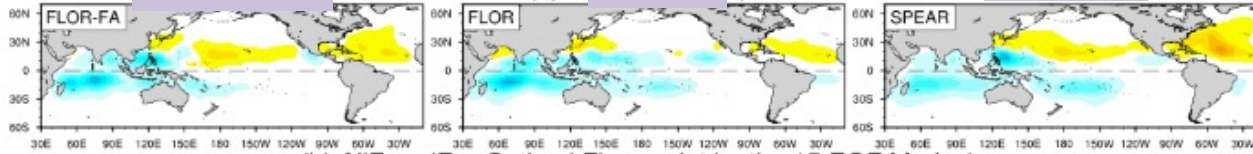
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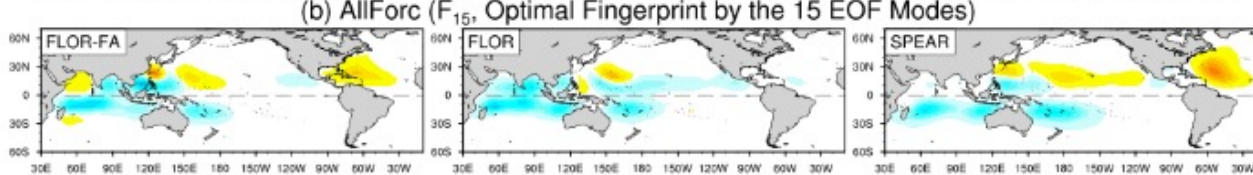
(a) AllForc FLOR s

SPEAR

$G(x,y)$



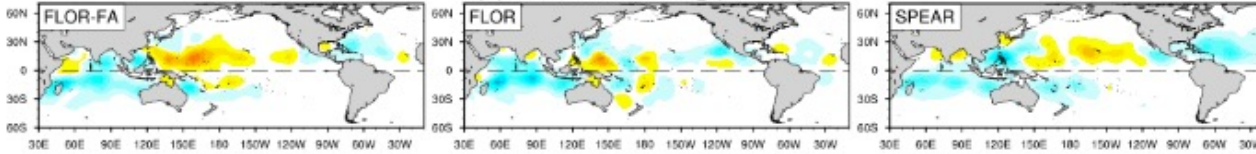
$F_{15}(x,y)$



(c) Transient 2xCO₂ (Guess)

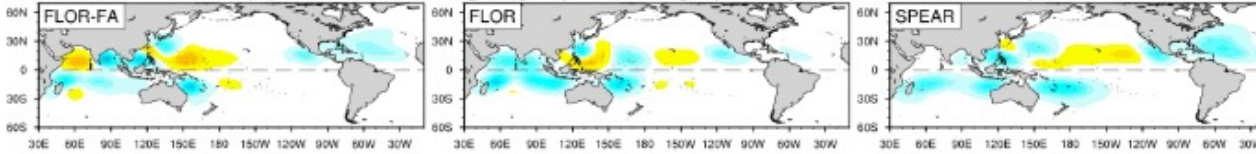
Transient 2xCO₂

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(d) Transient 2xCO₂ (F₁₅, Optimal Fingerprint by the 15 EOF Modes)

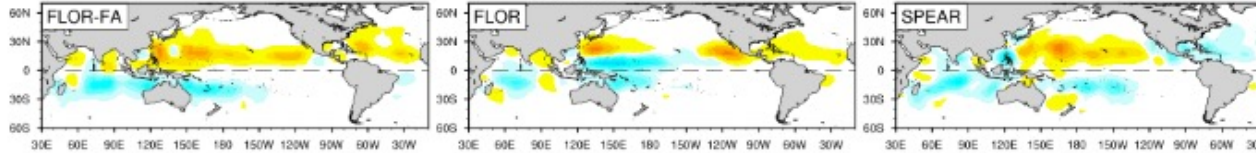
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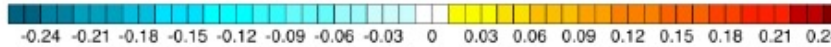
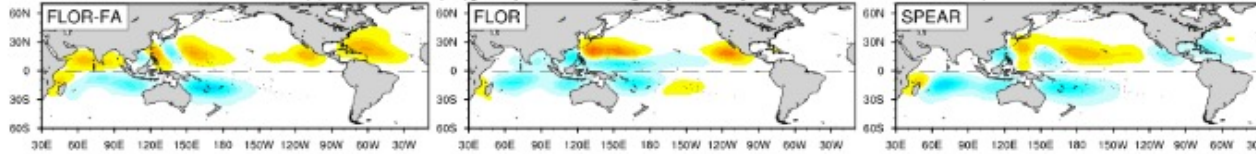
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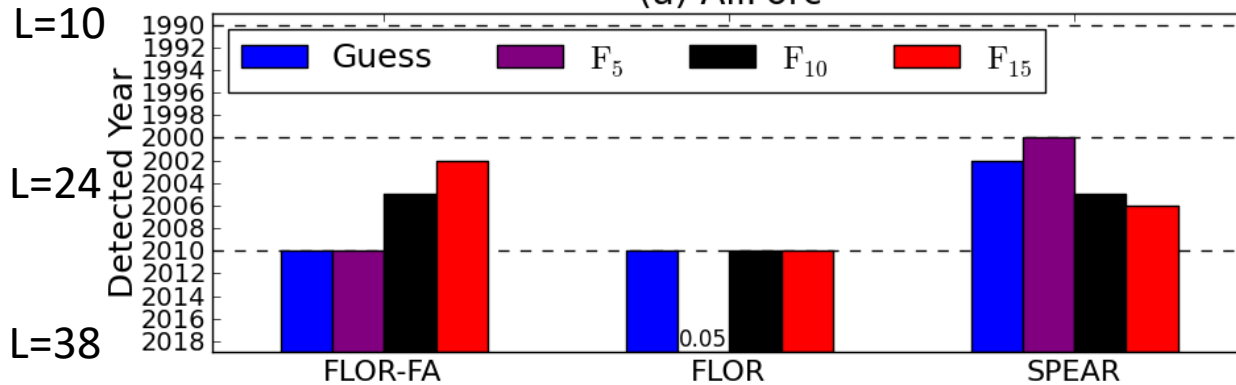
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Optimal Fingerprint Analysis

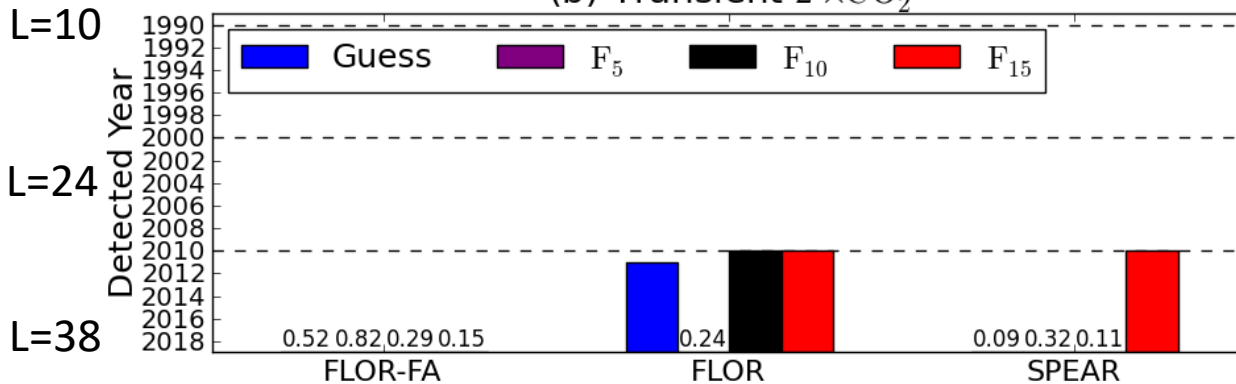


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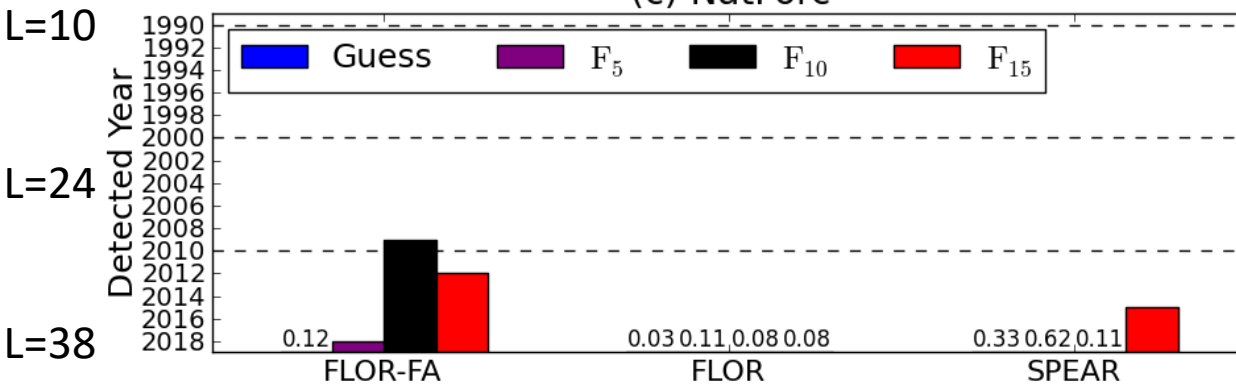
Detected around 2010
 ⇒ External forcing play an Important role for the observed trend.

(b) Transient 2 ×CO₂



Detected around 2010
 ⇒ Increase in green-house gasses (CO₂) partially contributes to the observed trend.

(c) NatForc

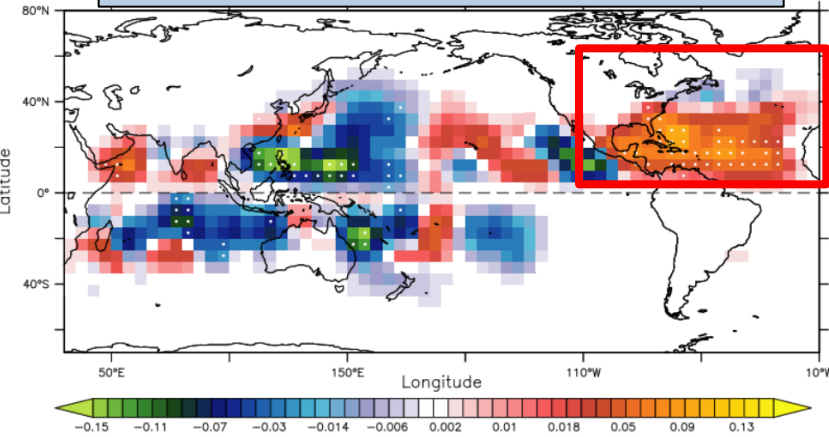


Volcanic forcing also plays a minor role.

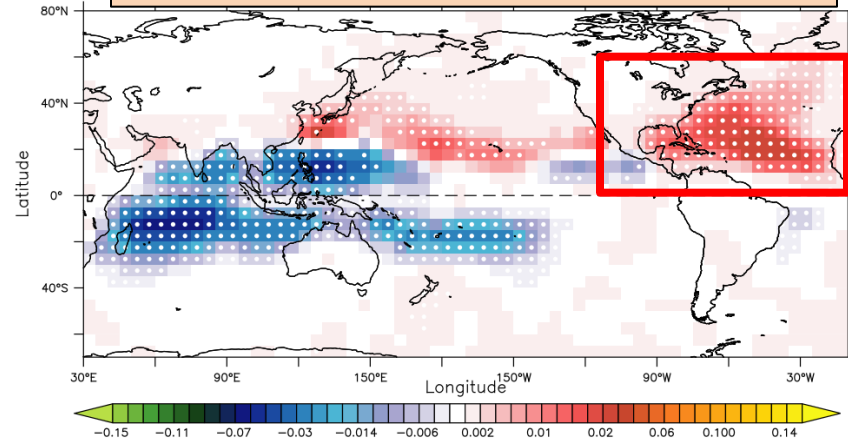
Effect of External Forcing on the TCF Trend



Observed Trend in TCF (1980-2018)

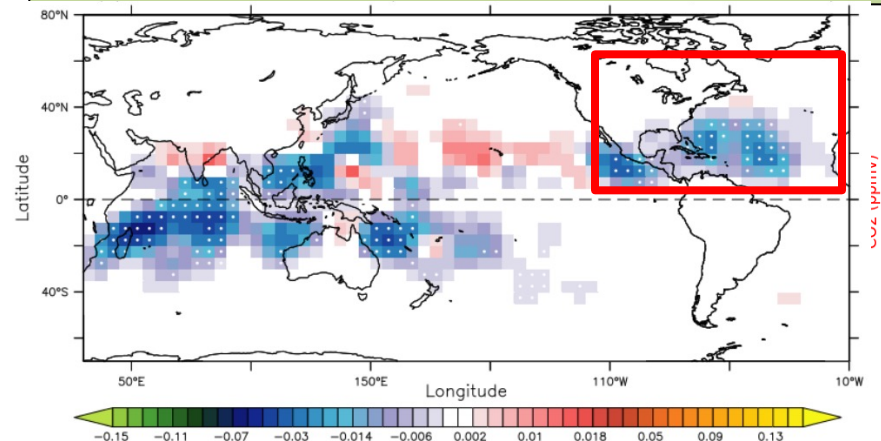


AllForc (95-member mean, 1980-2018)



All forcing includes greenhouse gases, anthropogenic aerosols, ozone.

Transient 2xCO₂ (3-member mean, 70 yrs)



transient +1%/yr CO₂ experiment

- Fully Coupled
- +1% CO₂ increase up to 2xCO₂ (at year 171) then fixed

Hypothesis:
External forcings other than greenhouse gases are responsible for the increased hurricanes in the North Atlantic.

Anthropogenic aerosols may be the key.

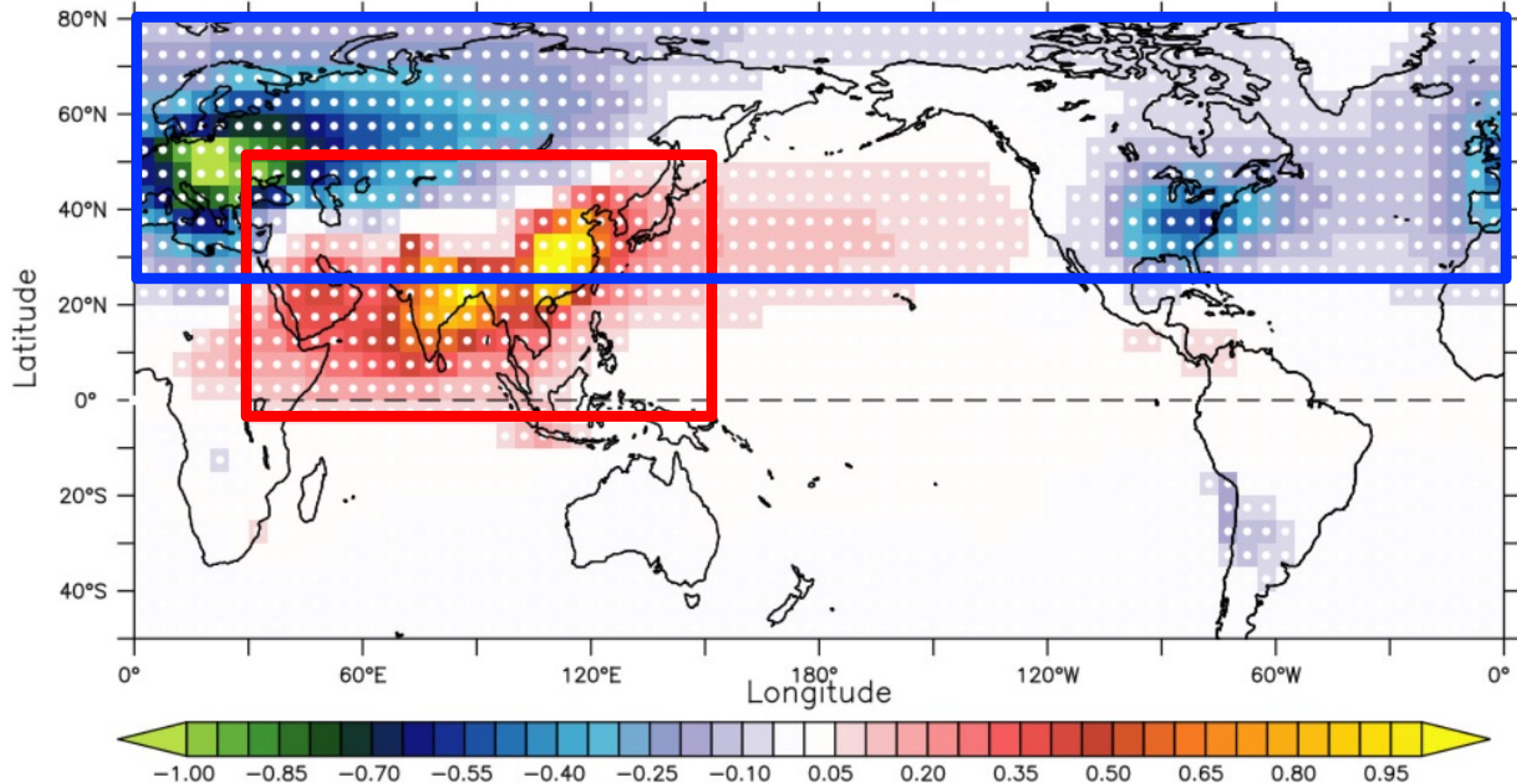
Murakami et al. (2020, *PNAS*)

Changes in anthropogenic aerosols in the past 40 years



Sulfate changes (2001-2020 minus 1980-2000)

(a) Difference in Prescribed Sulfate Aerosols (2001–2020 minus 1980–2000)



Decreased aerosols from Europe and the United States
Increased aerosols from China and India

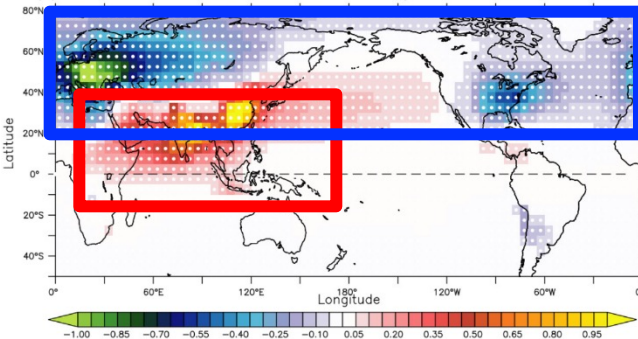
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Experimental Setting



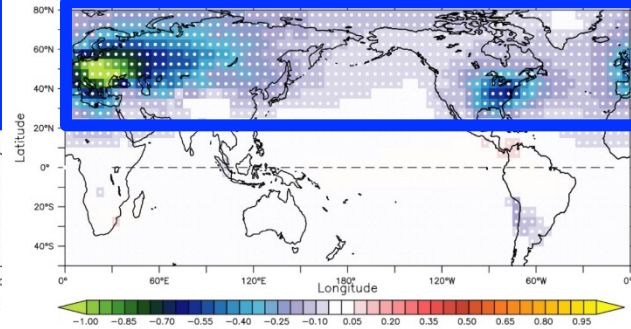
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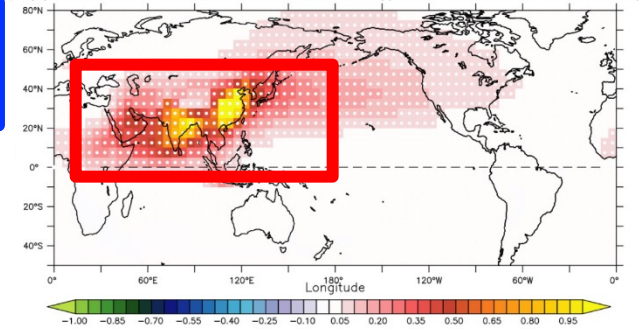
Δ W21, Sulfate

(c) Difference in Prescribed Sulfate Aerosols (w2001–2020 minus 1980–2000)



Δ IP21, Sulfate

(b) Difference in Prescribed Sulfate Aerosols (ip2001–2020 minus 1980–2000)



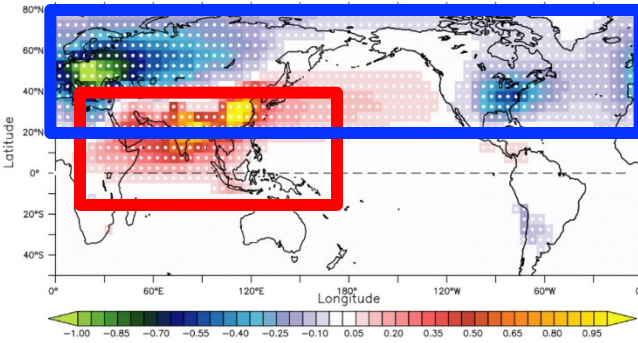
We conducted idealized model experiments using GFDL-SPEAR by imposing different aerosol emissions.

Exp Name	Specified Emission of Anthropogenic Aerosols	Other External Forcing	Simulation Eyears	Difference from CNTL
CNTL	Mean of 1980-2000	Fixed level at 2000	200 years	—
ALL21	Mean of 2001-2020			Δ ALL21
W21	Mean of 2001-2020 for Europe and the US, mean of 1980-2000 for the rest of the world			Δ W21
IP21	Mean of 2001-2020 for China and India, mean of 1980-2000 for the rest of the world			Δ IP21

Effect of anthropogenic aerosols on global tropical cyclones

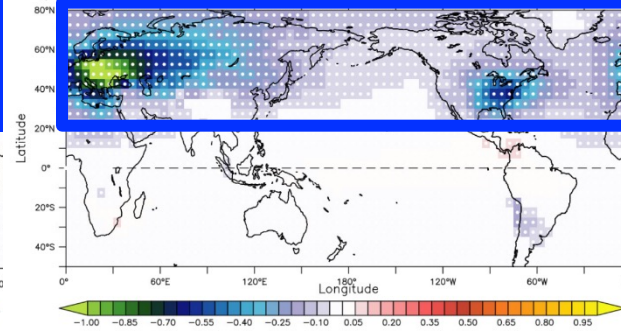
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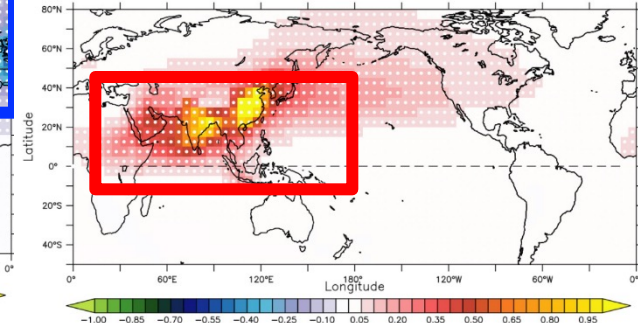
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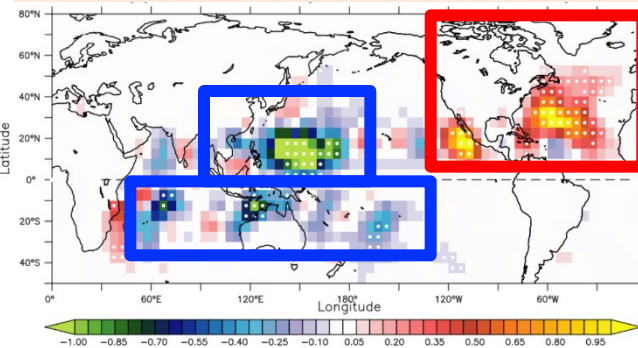


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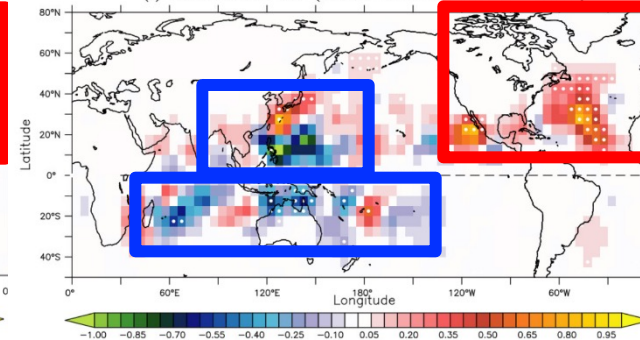


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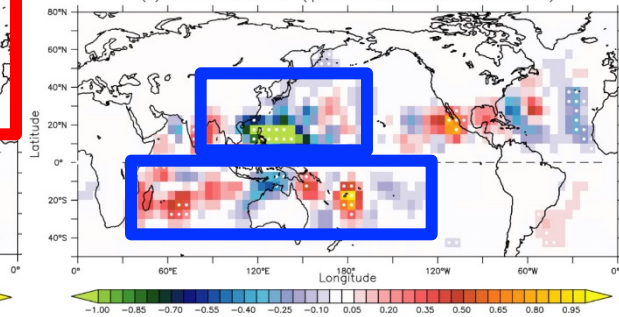
Δ W21, TCF

(f) Difference in TCF (w2001–2020 minus 1980–2000)



Δ IP21, TCF

(e) Difference in TCF (ip2001–2020 minus 1980–2000)



Decreased aerosols from Europe and the United States =>

Increased TCF in the North Atlantic

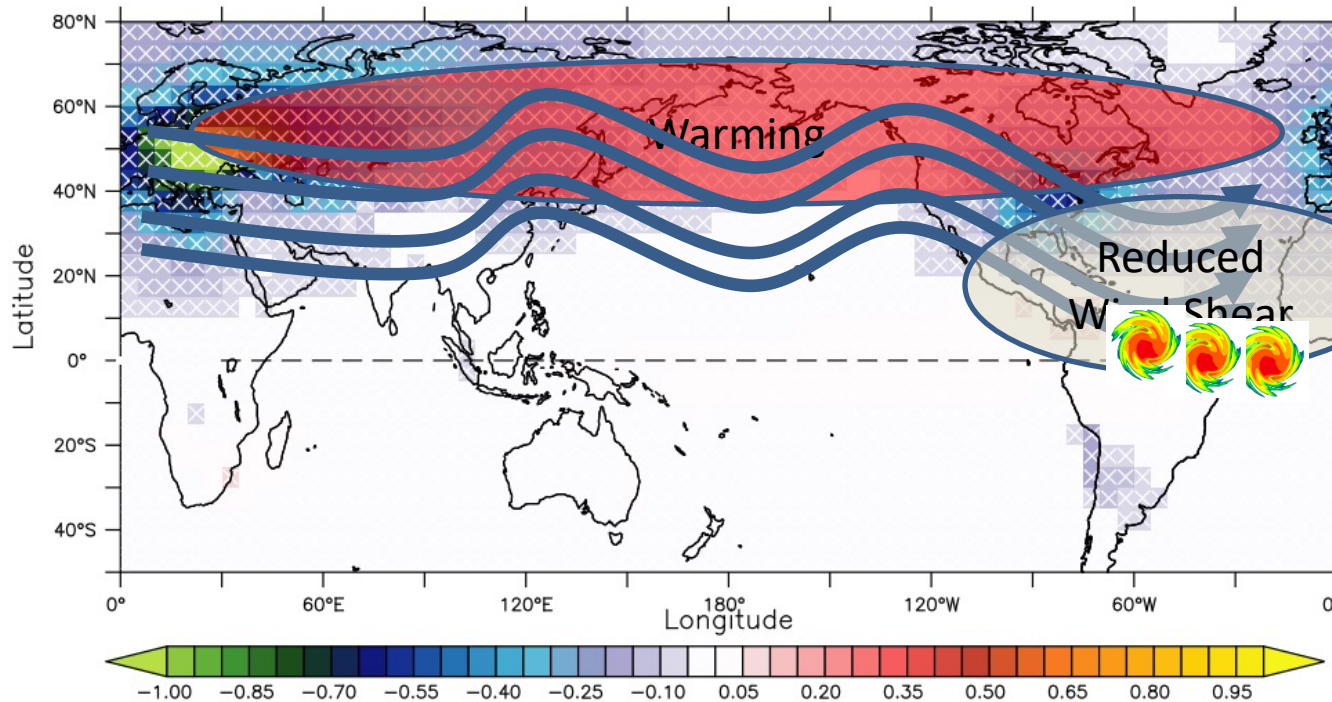
Decreased TCF in the Southern Hemisphere

Increased aerosols from China and India =>

Decreased TCF in the western North Pacific

Murakami (2022, *Sci. Adv.*)

Physical Mechanisms behind the TCF change



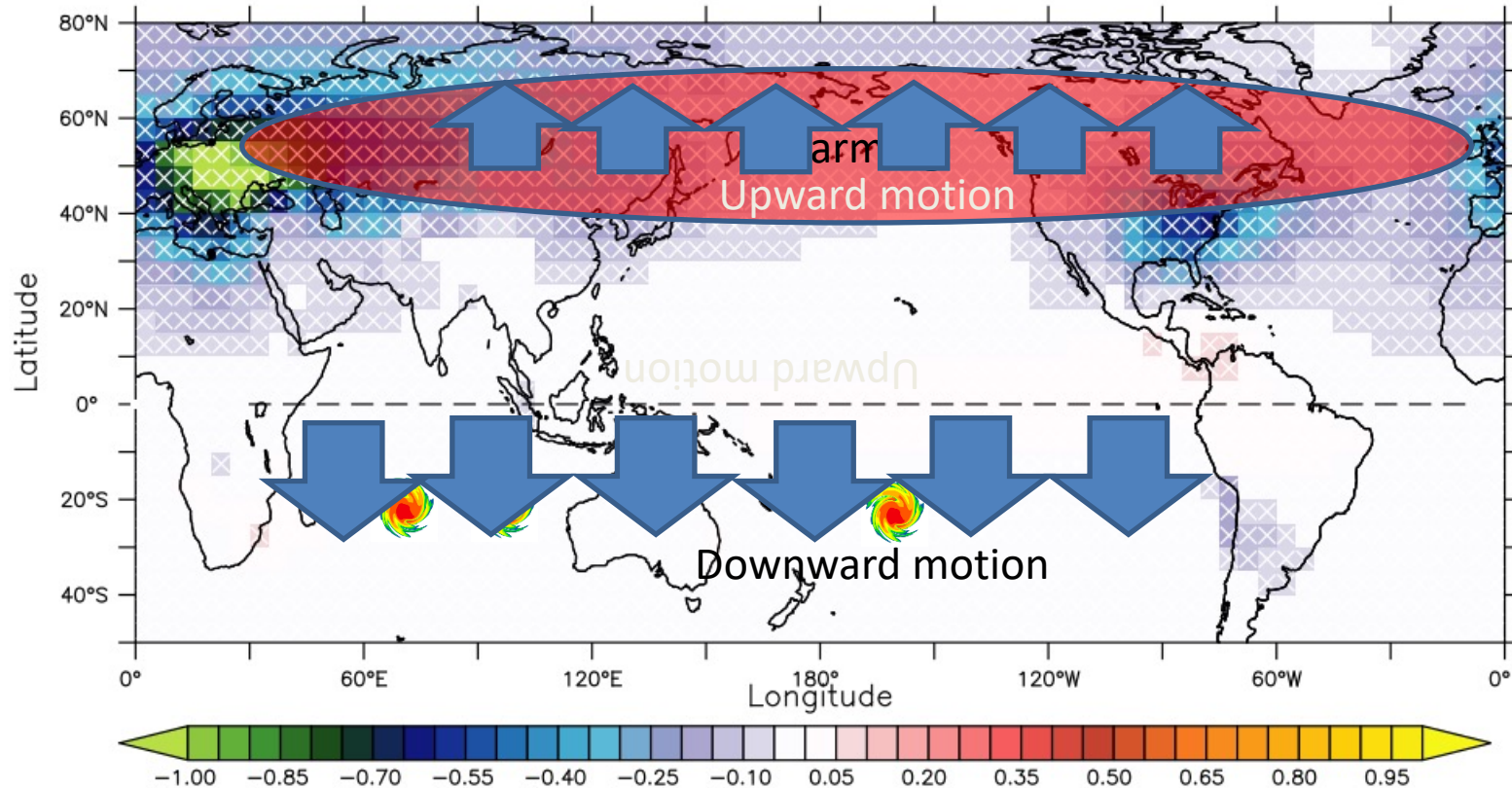
Shading: Linear trend in sulfate concentration over the period 1980-2020

Cross mark: Statistically significant decrease in sulfate over the period 1980-2020

The warming caused a poleward shift in a subtropical jet.

This leads to reduced vertical wind shear (reduced difference in wind speeds between lower and upper troposphere), which is favorable for tropical cyclone activity (indirect effect).

Physical Mechanisms behind the TCF change

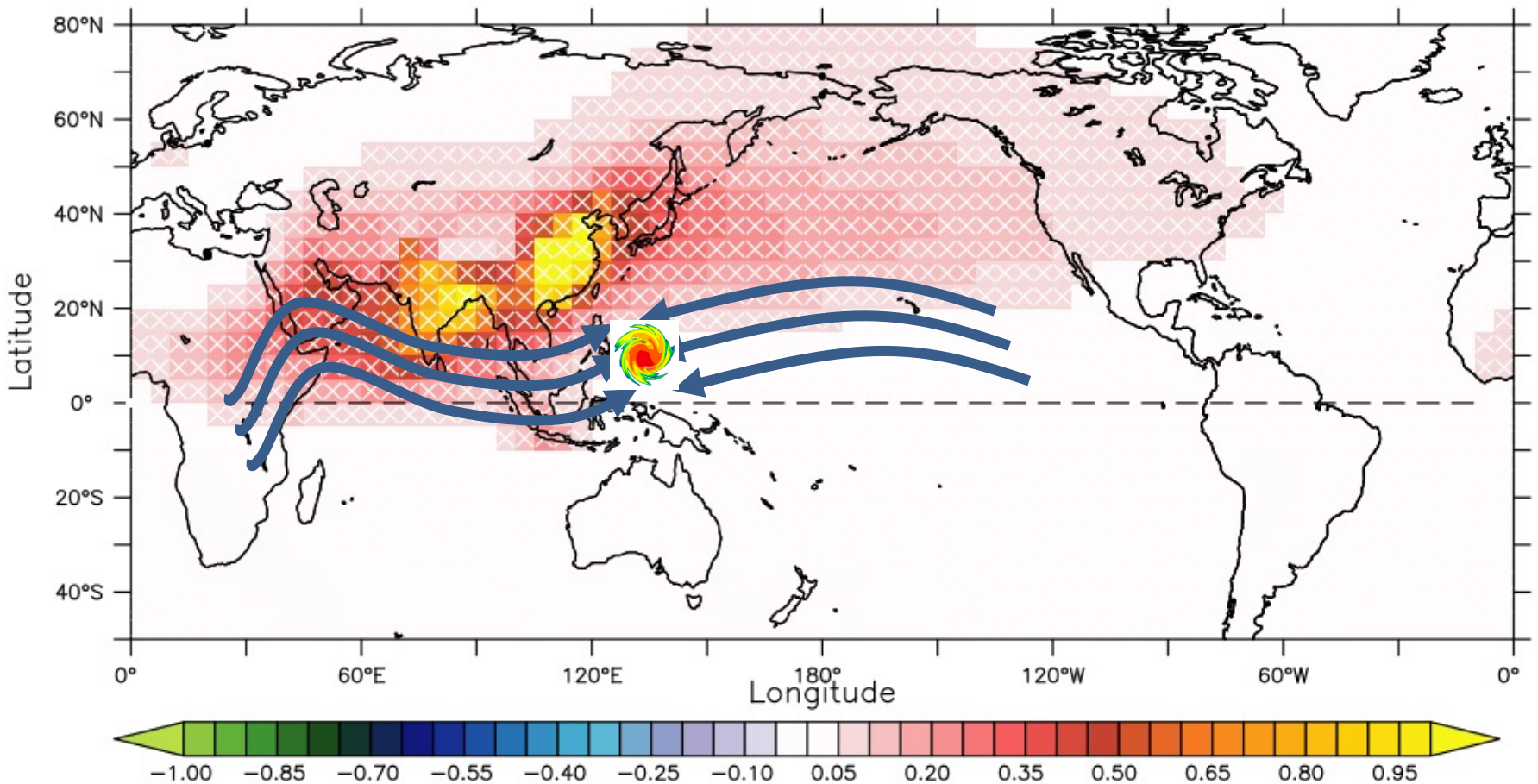


The warming in the mid-and high-latitudes in the Northern Hemisphere also caused Hemispheric circulation.

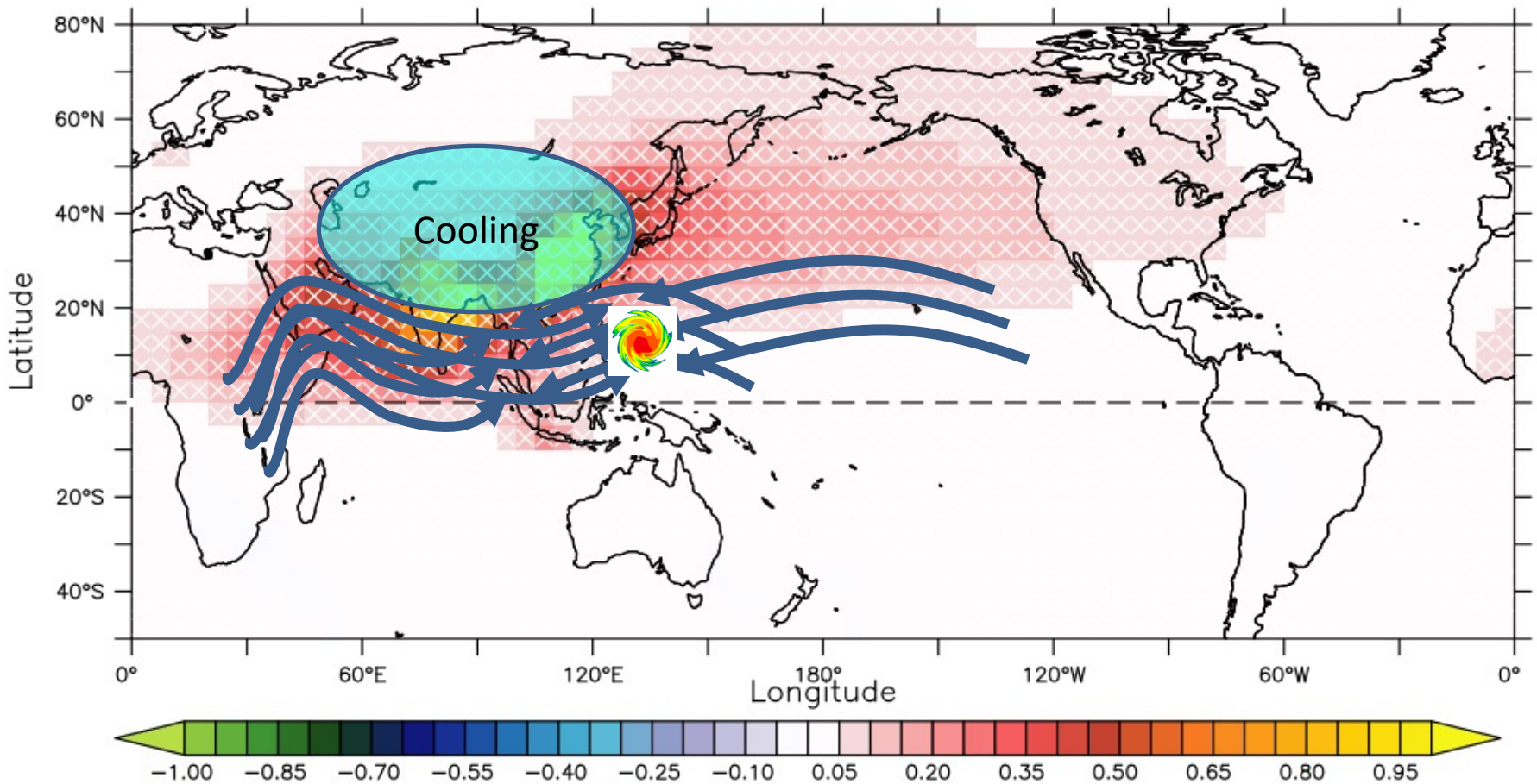
The warming causes anomalous upward motions by the enhanced convective activity.

The anomalous upward motion leads to downward motion in the Southern Hemisphere, in turn reducing tropical cyclones

Physical Mechanisms behind the TCF change



Tropical cyclones in the western North Pacific generally develop around the monsoon trough in the boreal summer.



The cooling over the land surface caused a weakened Indian monsoon, resulting in a weakened monsoon trough.

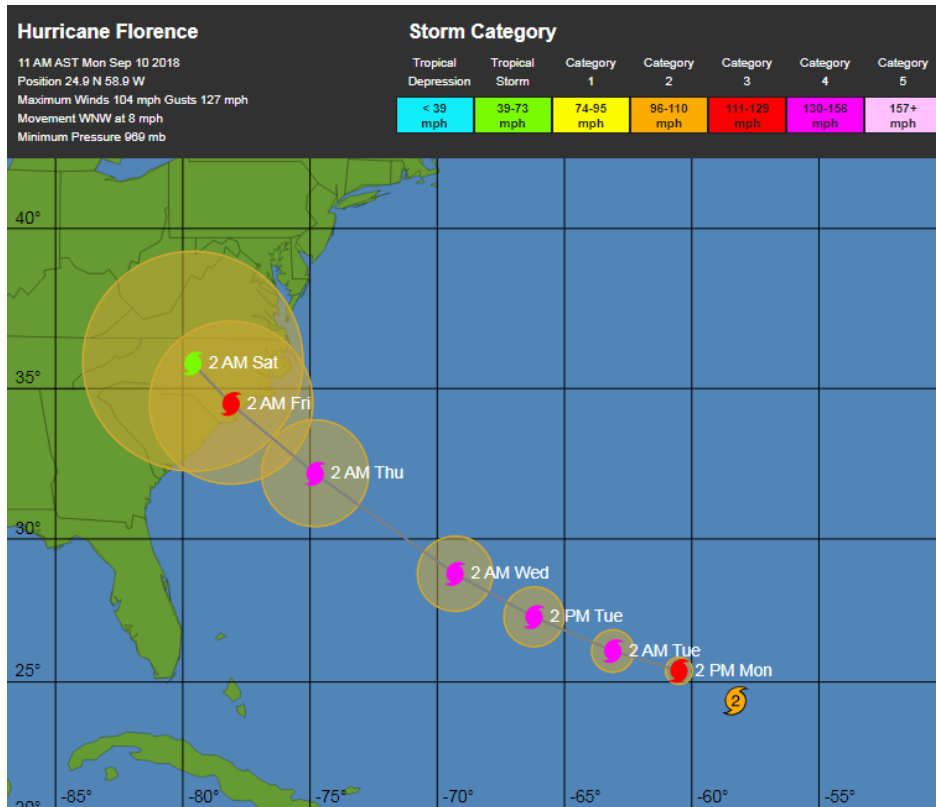
This in turn led to decreased tropical cyclones over the western North Pacific over the period 1980-2020.

Increased aerosols from China and India helped to reduce tropical cyclones.

Despite the challenges, there are some new studies that addressed the attribution of extreme TC events to climate changes.

1. Extreme single TC event (e.g., Cat 5 hurricane; Katrina, Florence)
Weather Forecast Model, Pseudo-warming experiment
2. Extreme TC seasons (e.g., the 2015 active hurricane season in the Eastern North Pacific)
Seasonal Forecast Model, SST nudging experiment
3. An unusual decade or trend (e.g., Increased North Atlantic hurricanes during the 2010s)
Large ensemble experiment
4. Storm intensity occurrence in a specific region
Synthetic tropical cyclone climate model

Extreme single TC event (e.g., Cat 5 hurricane; Katrina, Florence)



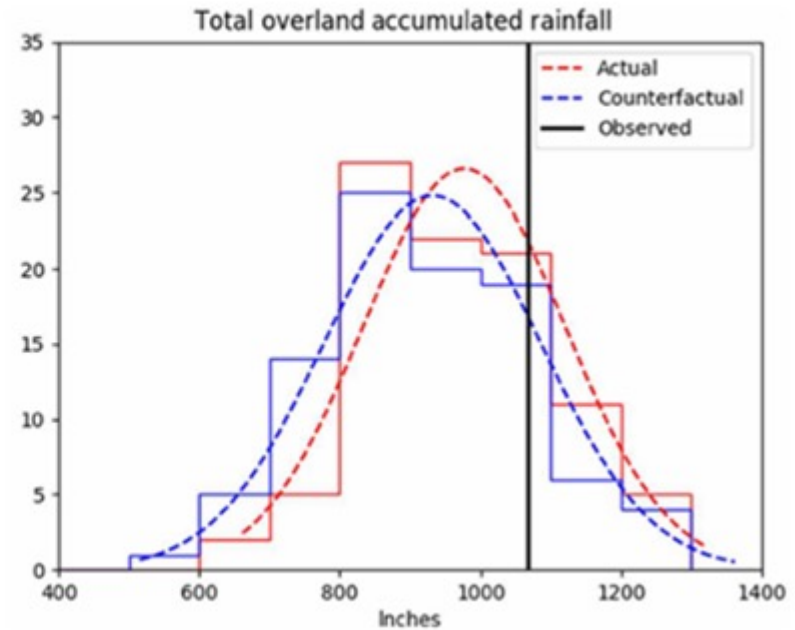
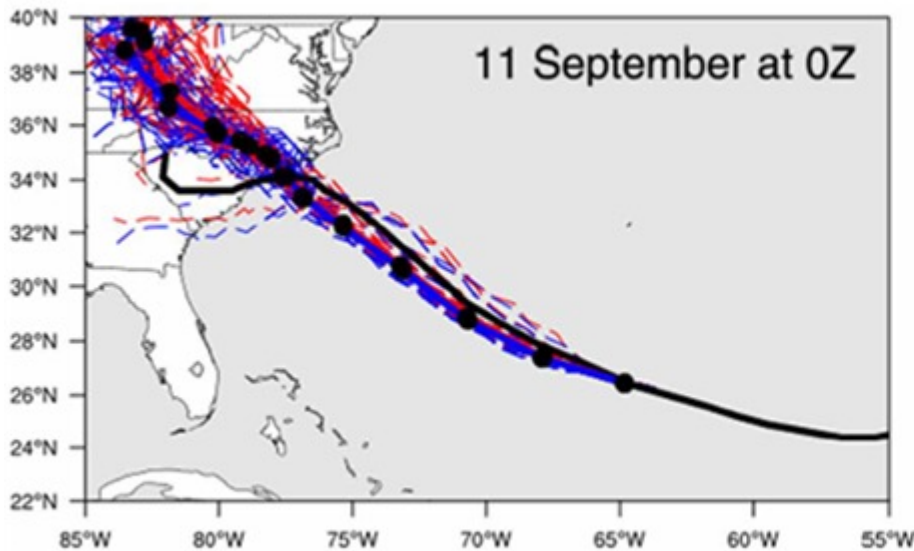
Hurricane Florence (2018)

How much did anthropogenic warming affect the heavy precipitation of Hurricane Florence?

1. Extreme single TC event (e.g., Cat 5 hurricane; Katrina, Florence)



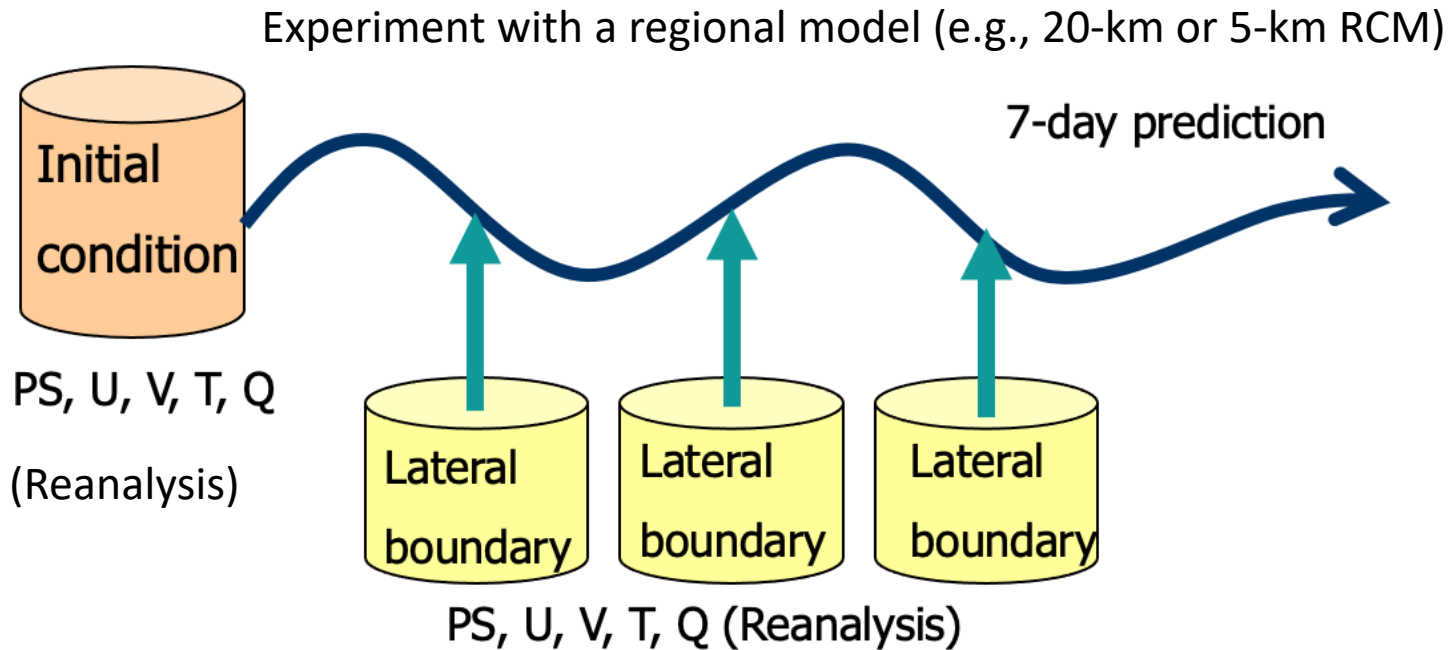
Wehner et al. (2019), Patricola and Wehner (2020), and Reed et al. (2020, 2022) applied so-called "**pseudo global warming sensitivity experiments**".



"pseudo global warming sensitivity experiments"

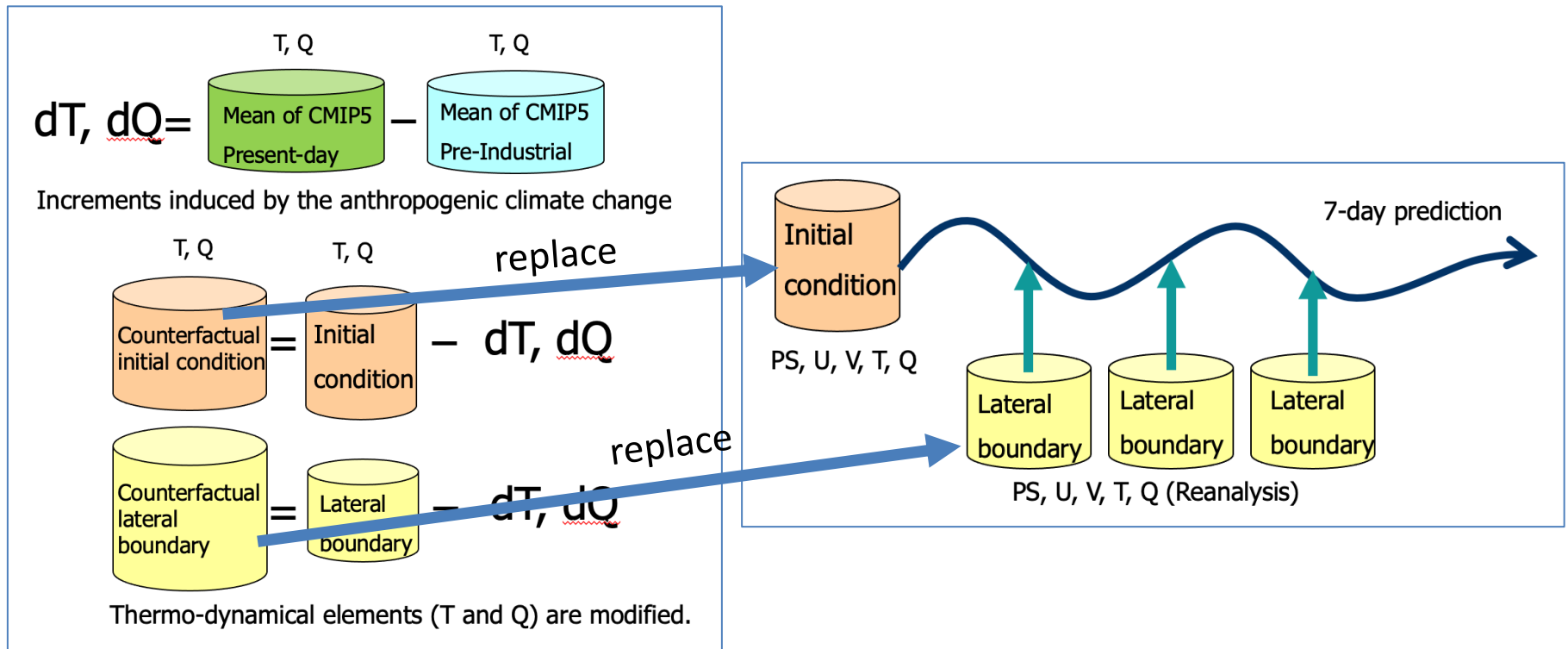
There are two sets of experiments using a regional climate model. One is an actual experiment and the other is a counter-factual experiment.

Actual Experiment



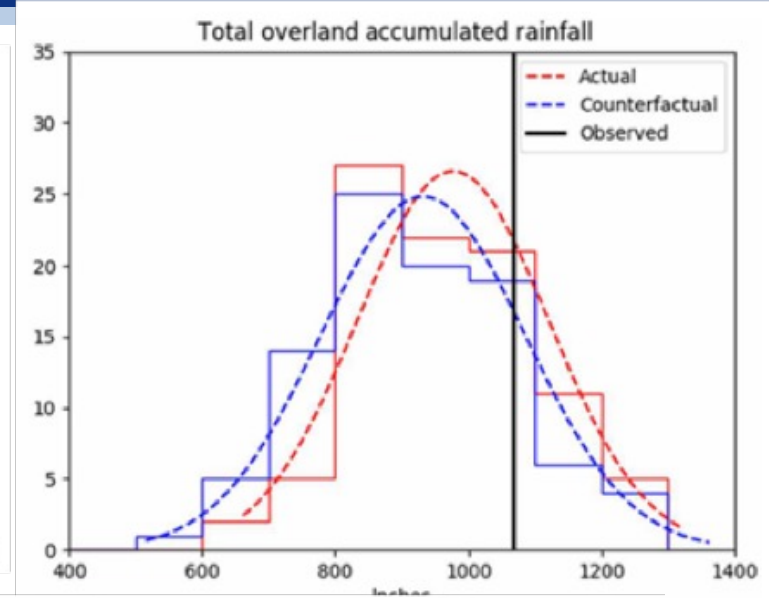
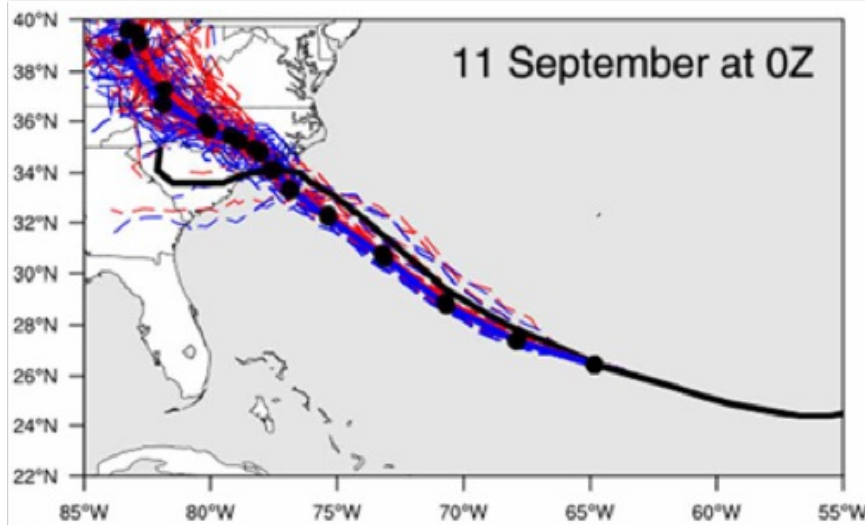
"pseudo global warming sensitivity experiments".

Counter-Factual Experiment



Estimate the impact of anthropogenic climate change on TC intensity and rainfall.

Pseudo global warming sensitivity experiments (Reed et al. 2020)

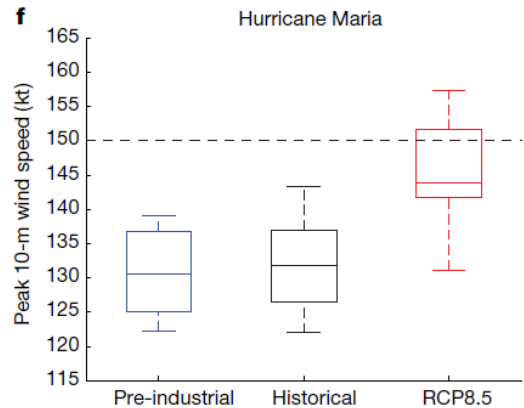
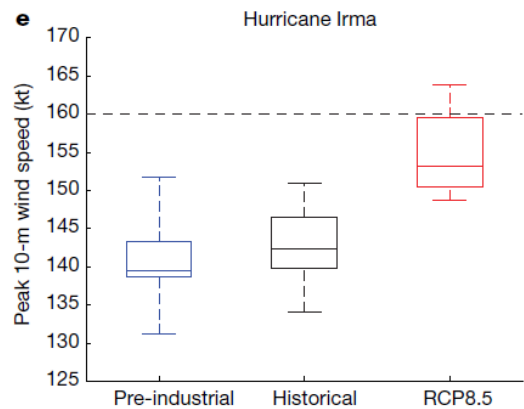
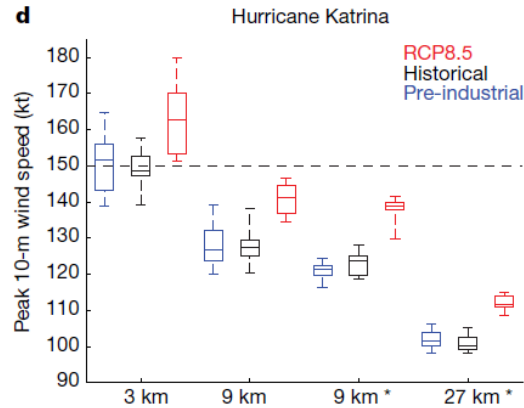
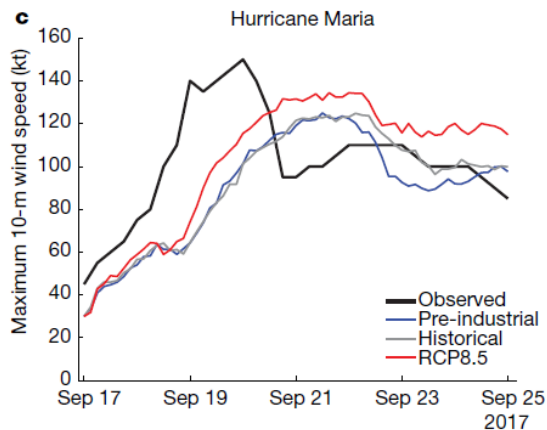
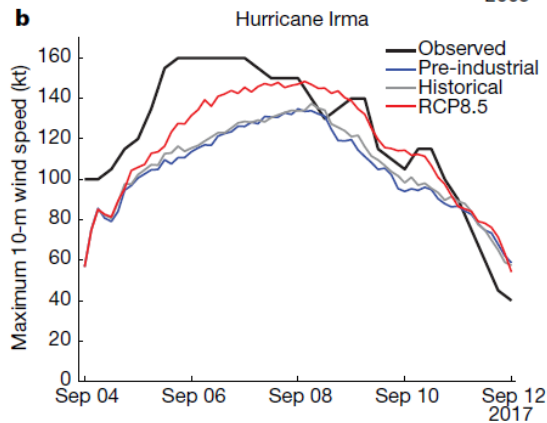
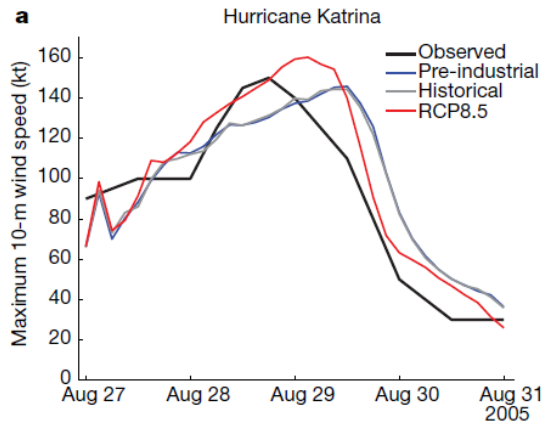


— Actual — Counterfactual — Observed

Pseudo global warming experiments applied to Hurricane Florence. *Reed et al. (2020, Sci. Adv)*

1. Hurricane Florence would have been slightly more intense for a longer portion of the forecast period due to climate change.
2. The rainfall amounts of Hurricane Florence over the Carolinas would have increased by over 50% due to climate change and were linked to warmer SSTs and available moisture in the atmosphere.
3. Hurricane Florence would have been about 80 km larger because of the effect of climate change on the large-scale environment around the storm.

Pseudo global warming sensitivity experiments (Patricola and Wehner)

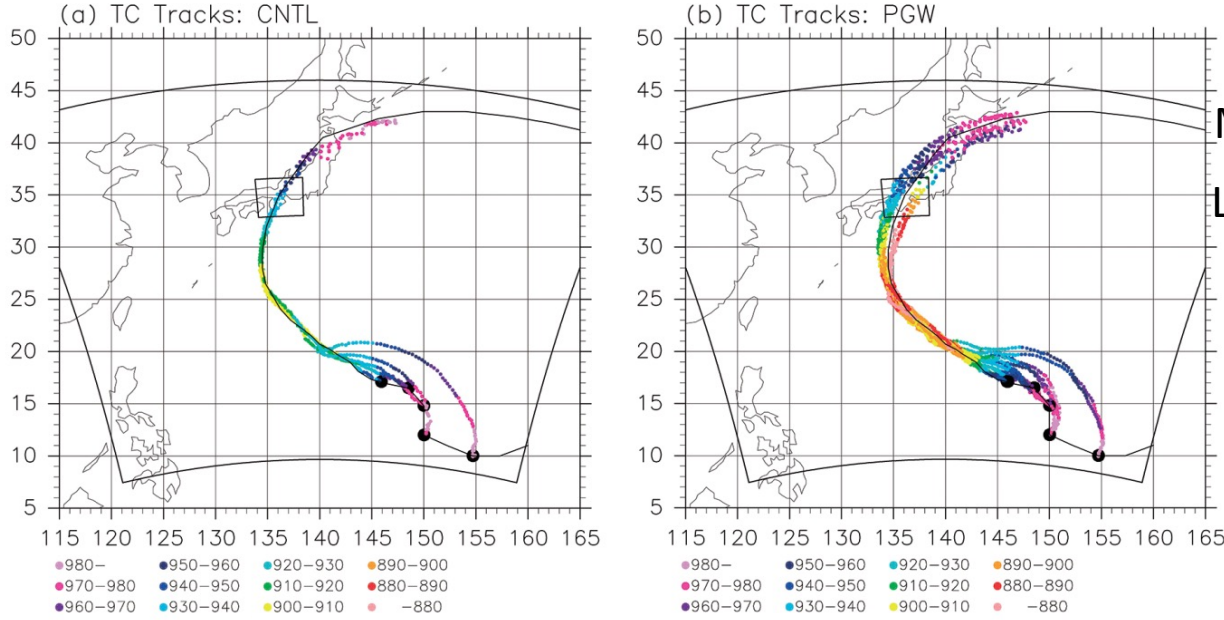


A WRF model with different horizontal resolutions and with and without cumulus parameterization

- Differences from the pre-industrial are small, but those from the future are large.
- No resolution dependency
- No dependency on parameterization

Patricola and Wehner (2020, *Nature*)

Pseudo global warming sensitivity experiments (Isewan Typhoon in 1959)

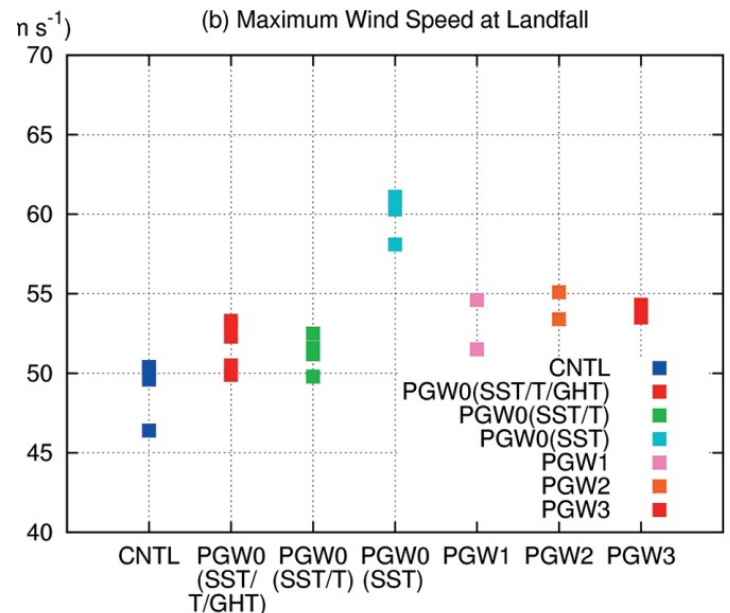


Model: 5-km WRF

Lateral boundary:

CNTL: Forced with JRA55

PGW: JRA55 + Future changes by MRI-AGCM3.2S



Takemi et al. (2016, *HRL*)

Underlying Problems:

The experiments assume no changes in TC tracks.

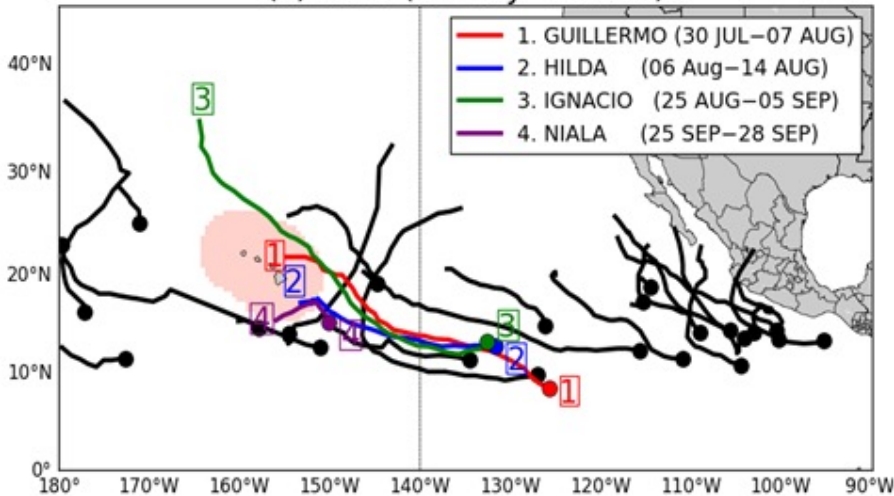
The ensemble member that deviated from observed TC tracks were disregarded.

Only applied after TC genesis.

Attribution for extreme TC season

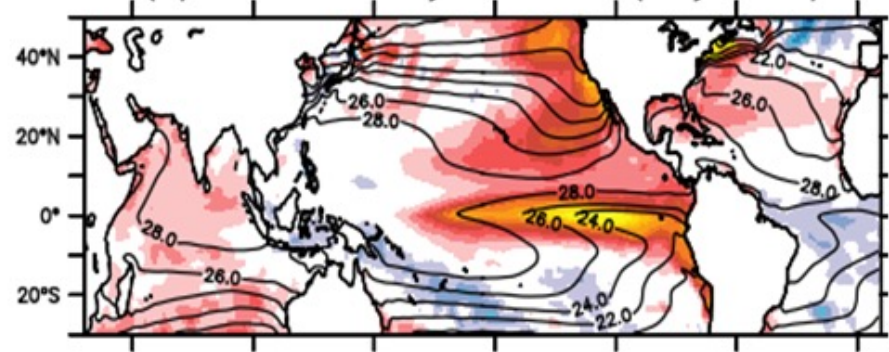


(a) 2015 (01 May–30 Nov)



27 TCs in 2015 in the Eastern North Pacific

(a) SST anomaly in 2015 (May–Nov)

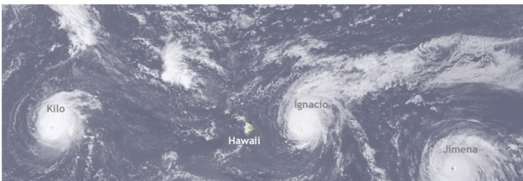


Observed SST anomaly in 2015 showing strong El Niño.



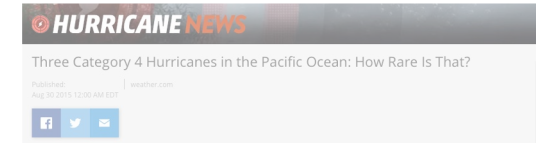
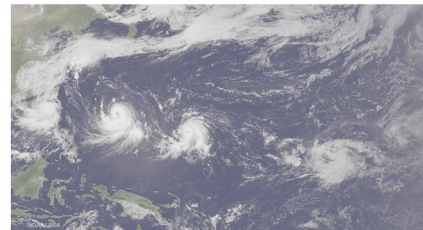
*“The spike in cyclone activity is tied to well a still developing, significant **El Niño**”.*

which were classified as major hurricanes (winds in excess of 110mph). In fact, major hurricanes Kilo, Ignacio and Jimena were category four storms with wind speeds greater than 130mph.

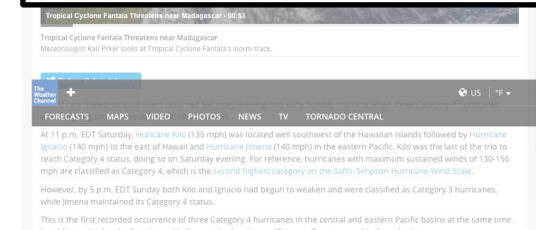


*“**El Niño** helps boost Pacific storm season”.*

By Andrew Thompson
 2,682 followers
 Satellite views of the Pacific Ocean show an impressive trail of storms, string like pearls on a neckless across the basin. While the western Pacific in particular is almost always a hotbed of tropical cyclone activity, this current flare-up is linked in part to a robust El Niño event that is showing signs it could continue to strengthen.



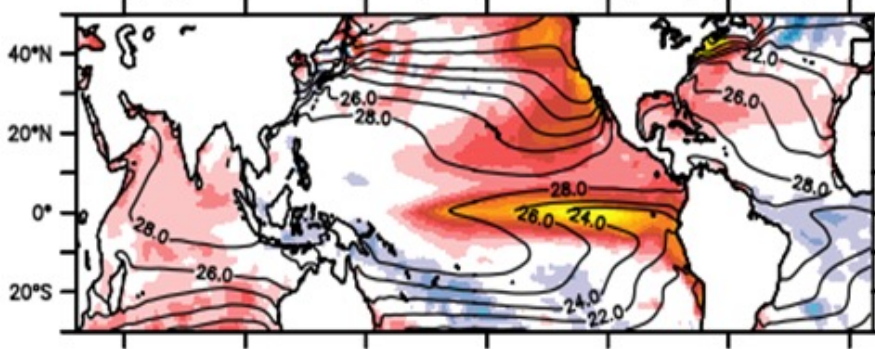
*“The eastern Pacific basin sees an increase in named storms during strong **El Niño**...”.*



Extreme TC season

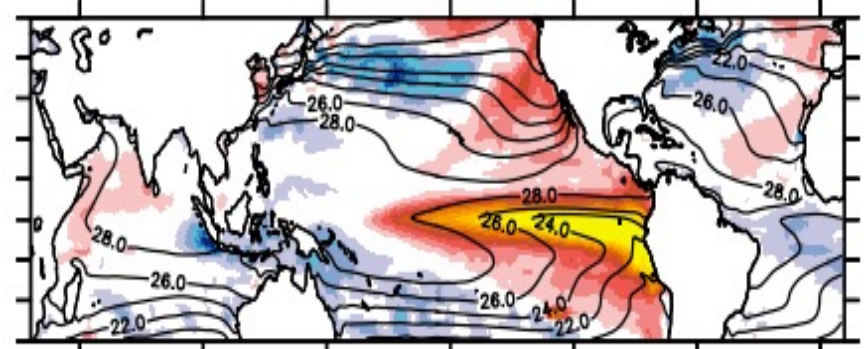


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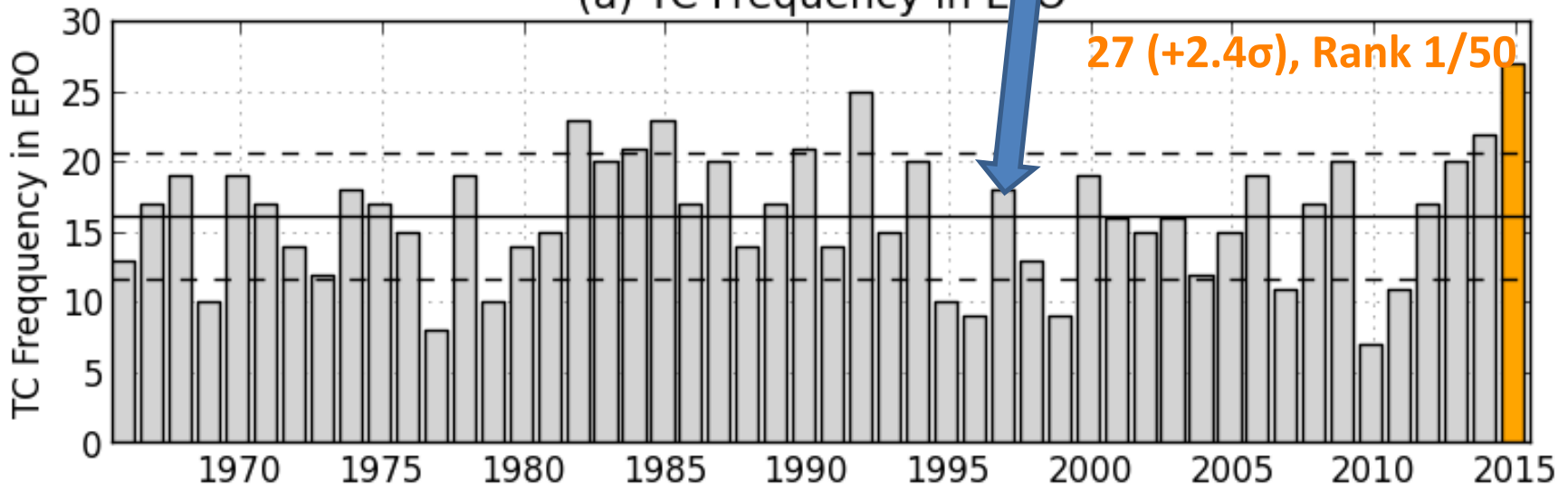
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ANOM1997



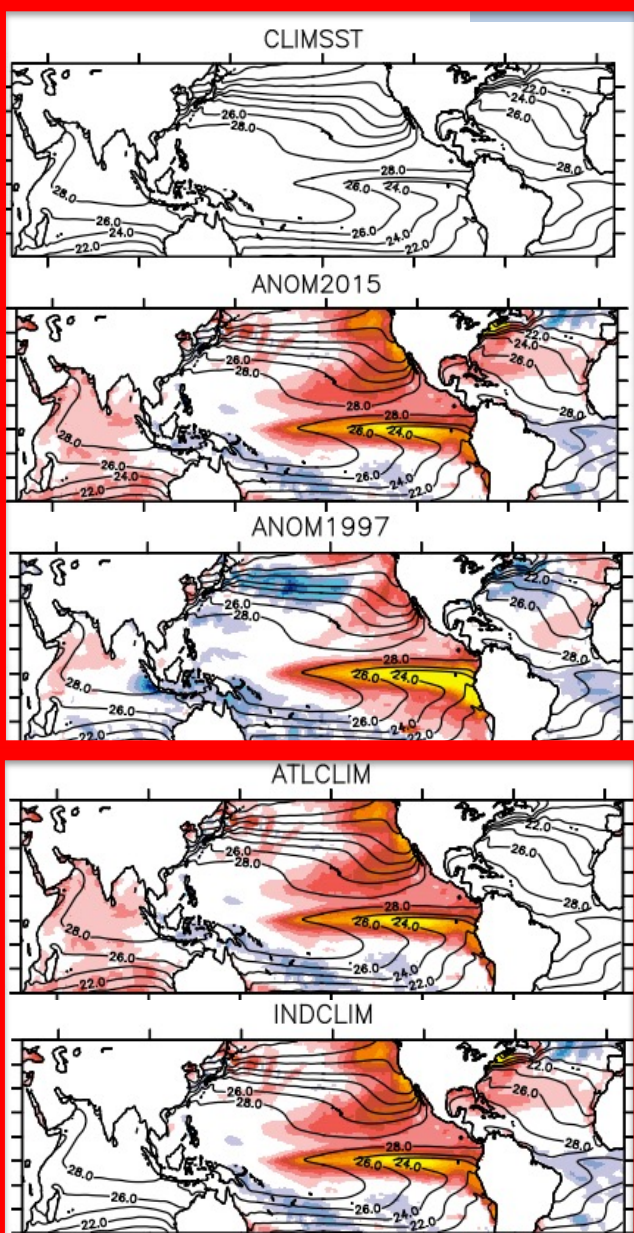
1997 was also a strong El Niño. But TC was not active.

(a) TC Frequency in EPO

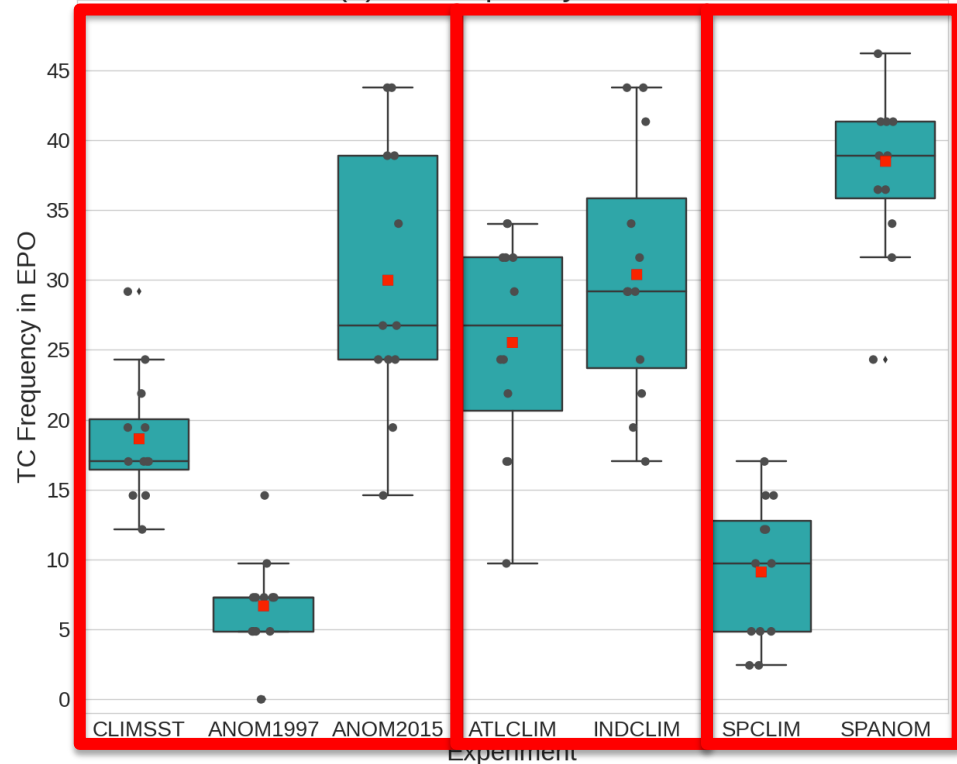


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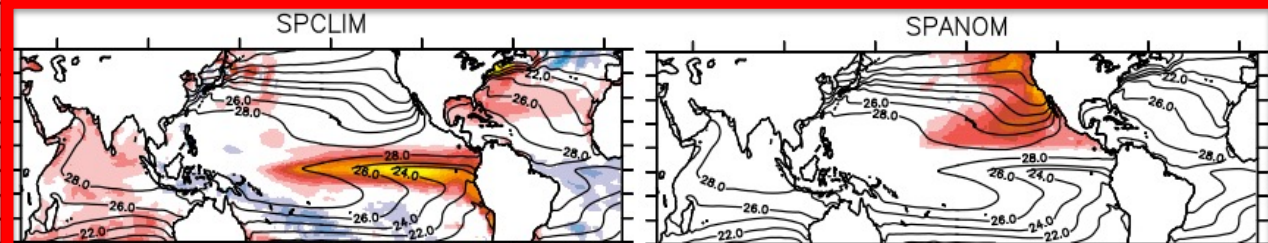
Extreme TC season



(a) TC frequency in EPO



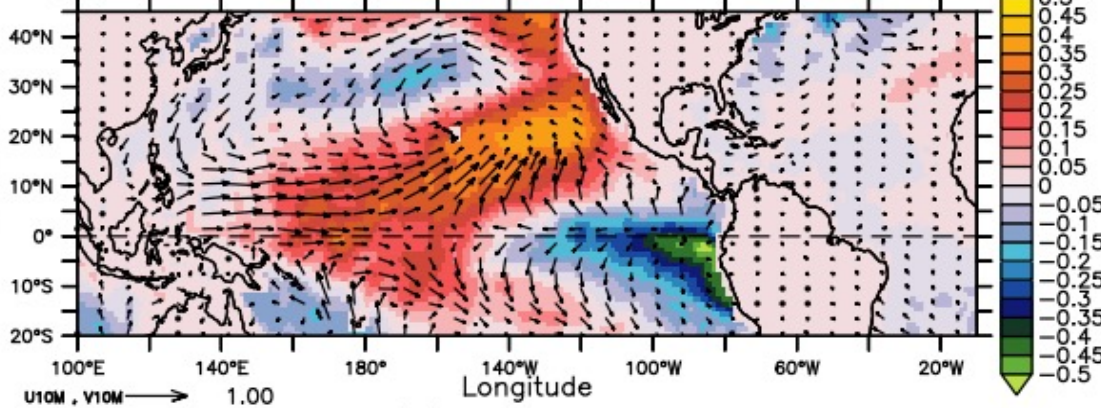
Subtropical SST anomaly is critical for the extreme TC year of 2015.



Extreme TC season

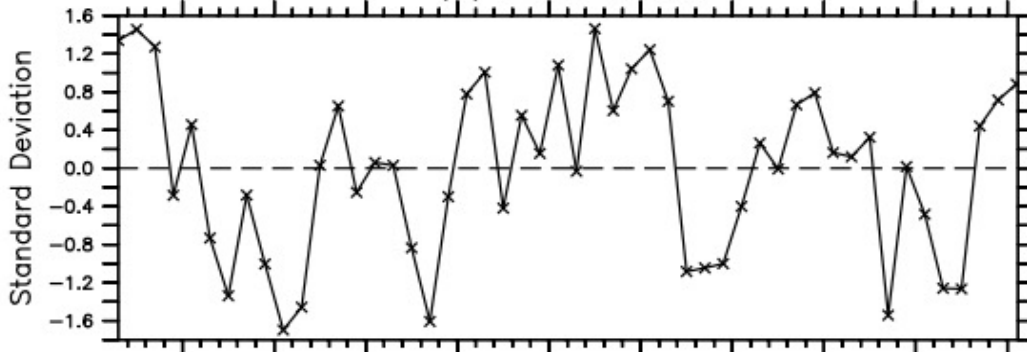


(a) SST and 10-m Winds Regressed on PMM Index



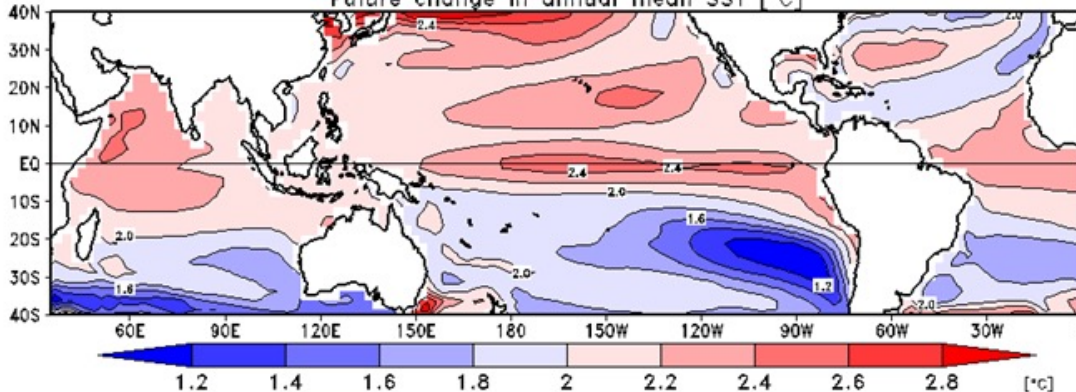
The PMM is the 1st singular decomposition (SVD) mode for the SST and zonal and meridional components of the 10-m wind field (*Chiang and Vimont 2004*).

(b) PMM Index



	Niño-3.4	PMM
1997 (May–Nov)	+2.4 σ	-1.0 σ
2015 (May–Nov)	+2.4 σ	+0.9 σ

Future change in annual mean SST [$^{\circ}$ C]



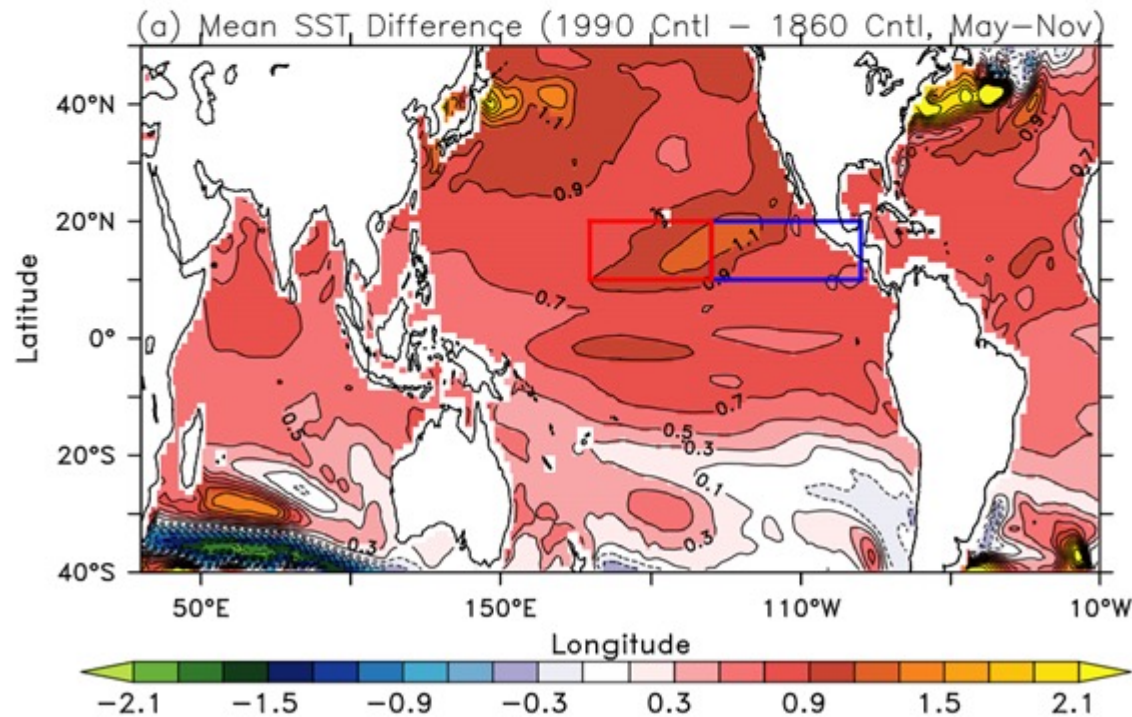
Projected future changes in SST by CMIP5 models.

Murakami et al. (2017, *J. Climate*)

Extreme TC season



Experiment	Radiative Forcing	Simulation Years
1860 Control	1860 Level	3500
1990 Control	1990 Level	500



Probability of Exceedance

$$P(x) \equiv \frac{\text{Number of years with TC number} \geq x}{\text{Total number of years}}$$

x : TC frequency in a year

Fraction of Attributable Risk (FAR)

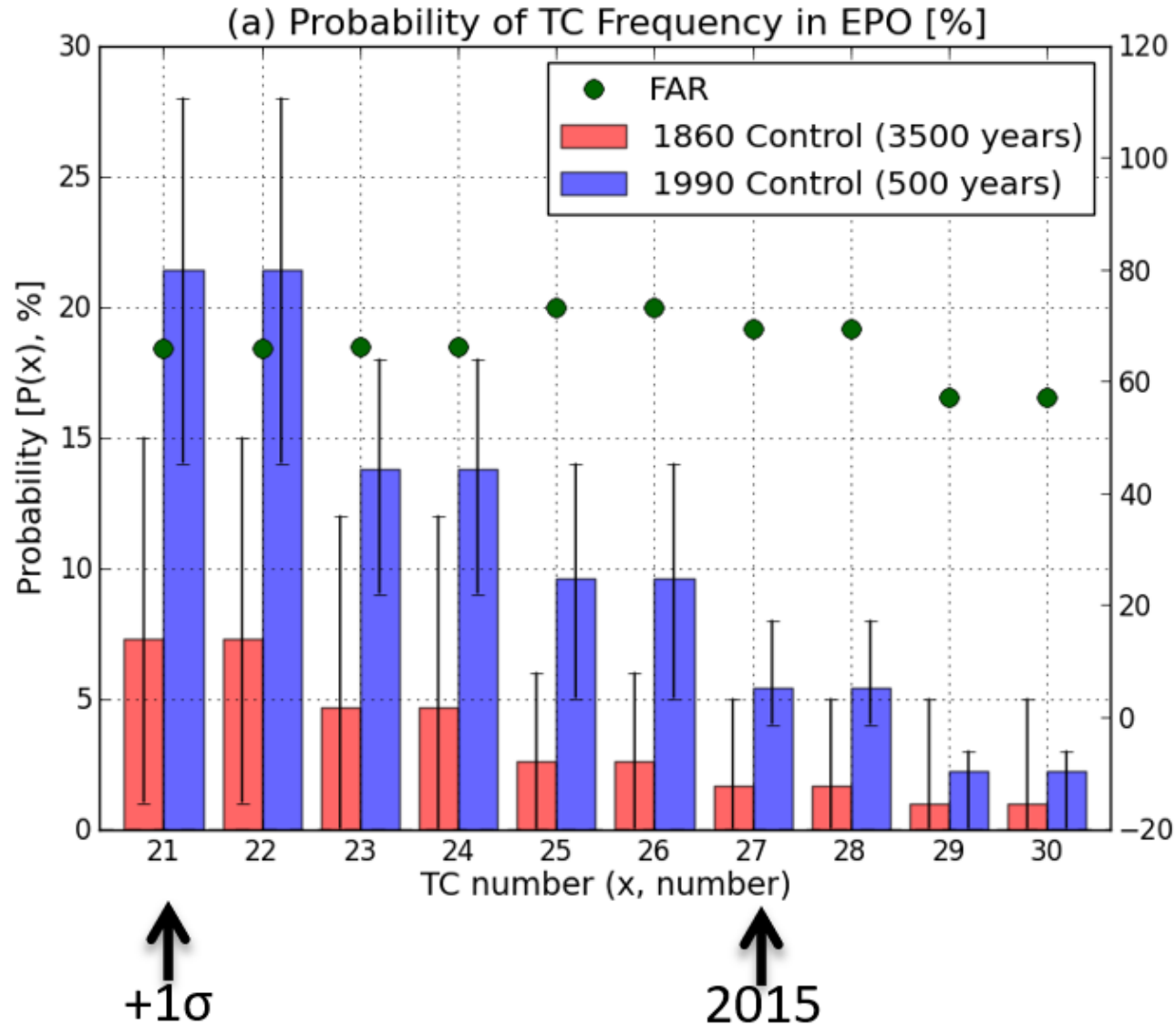
$$FAR(x) \equiv \frac{P(x|E_1) - P(x|E_0)}{P(x|E_1)}$$

E_1 : Anthropogenic Forcing (1990 Contl)

E_0 : Non-anthropogenic Forcing (1860 Contl)

$-\infty$ (not attributable) < FAR \leq +1.0 (attributable)

Extreme TC season

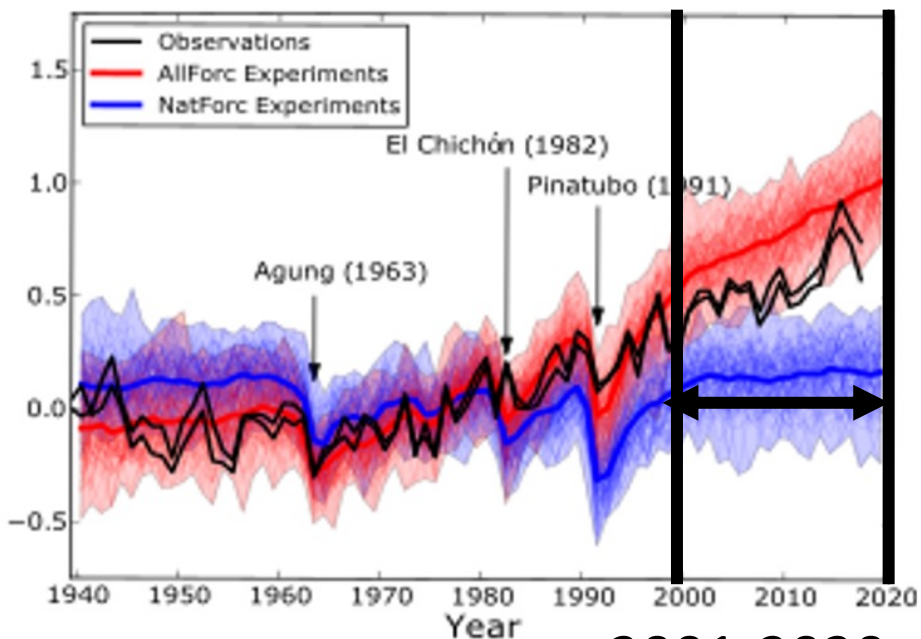


$P(x)$ for 1860 Control (red) and 1990 Control (blue). FAR is shown in green dots.

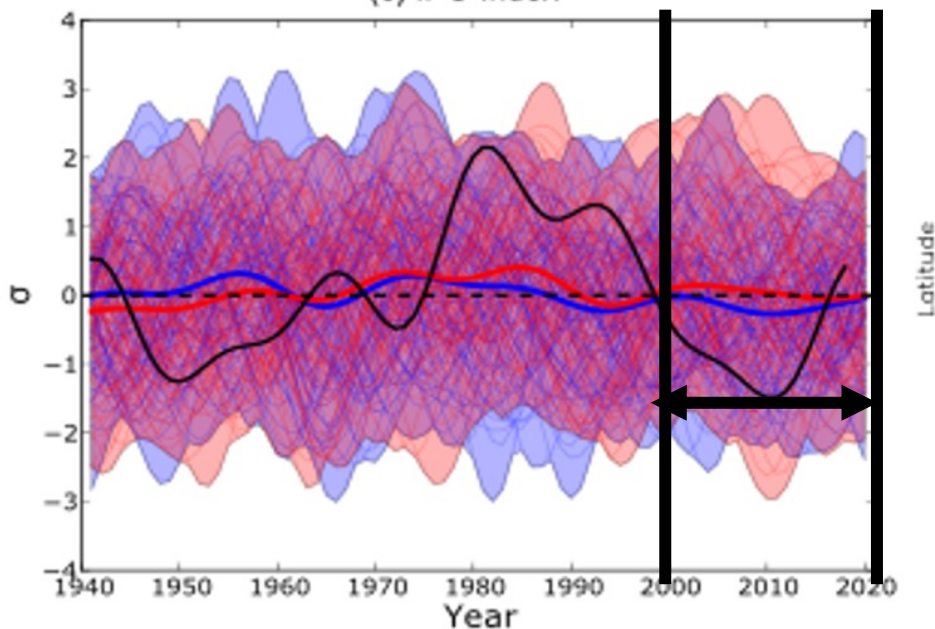
Large ensemble simulations



(a) Anomalies of Global Mean Surface Temperature



(c) IPO Index



2001-2020

20 years x 35 members = 700 samples

Effect of natural variability on the occurrence of extreme TC season

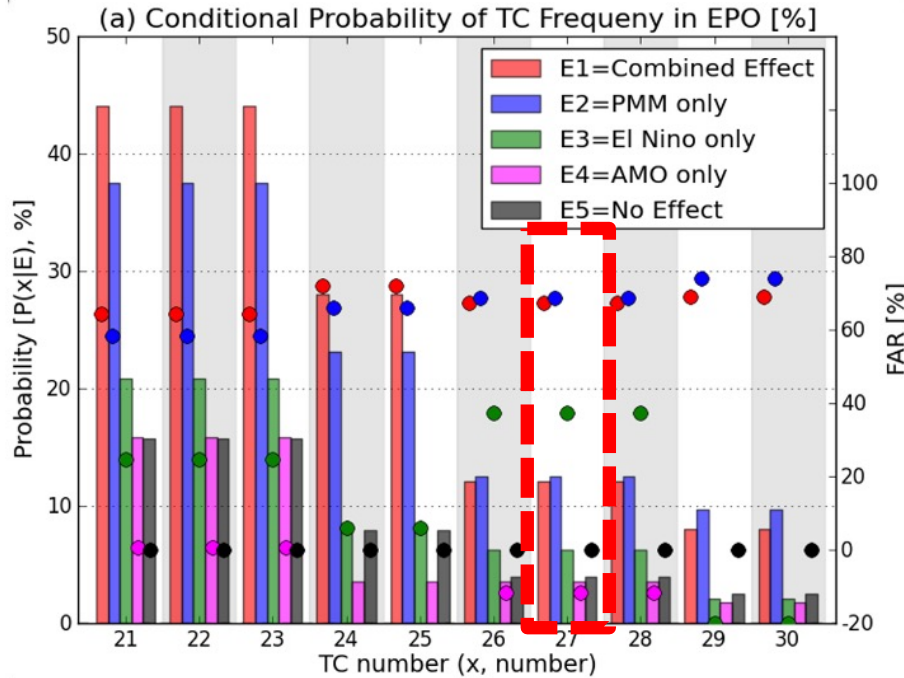
$$FAR(x|E_i) \equiv \frac{P(x|E_i) - P(x|E_5)}{P(x|E_i)}$$
$$i = 1, \dots, 4$$

E_i : A group of members showing a specific phase of natural variability

E_5 : A group of members under neutral conditions

$-\infty$ (not attributable) $< FAR \leq 1.0$ (attributable)

Extreme TC season



Using the 700 samples during 2001–2020 period in the AllForc, additional five conditional provability $P(x|E_n)$ are computed.

x: Number of TCs in the Eastern North Pacific

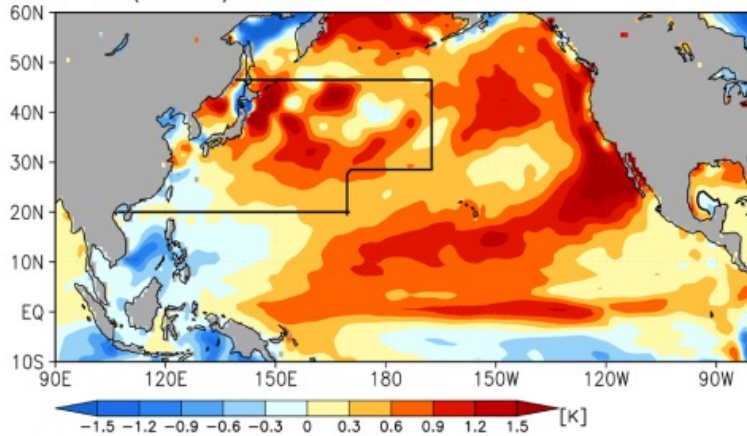
PMM(+) >> **Nino-3.4 (+)** > **AMO (-)**

E_n	PMM $\geq +1\sigma$	Niño-3.4 $\geq +1\sigma$	AMO $\leq -1\sigma$	Sample size	Effect
E1	✓	✓	✓	44/700	Combined Effect
E2	✓			94/700	Positive PMM only
E3		✓		83/700	Positive Niño-3.4 only
E4			✓	55/700	Negative AMO only
E5				282/700	No Effect

Effect of mid-latitude SSTA on TCs over the WNP



(b) sst (CTL-CLM) JAS2018



Model used : NICAM (14-km mesh)

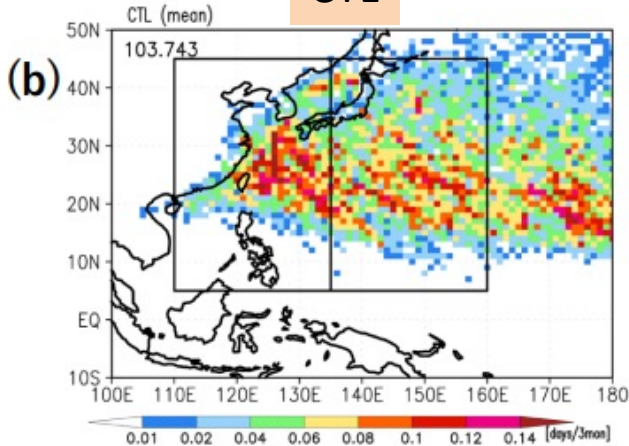
CTL: Prescribing the 2018 SST anomaly + CLIMO SST.

MWNPCLM: Same as CTL, but with zero SST anomaly over the black region.

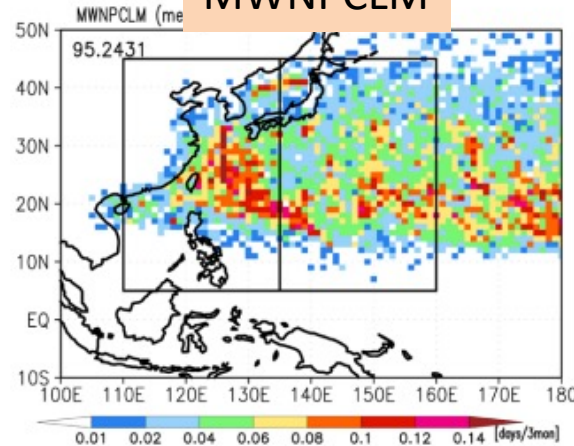
Warm SSTs over the Kuroshio region

Simulated TC density

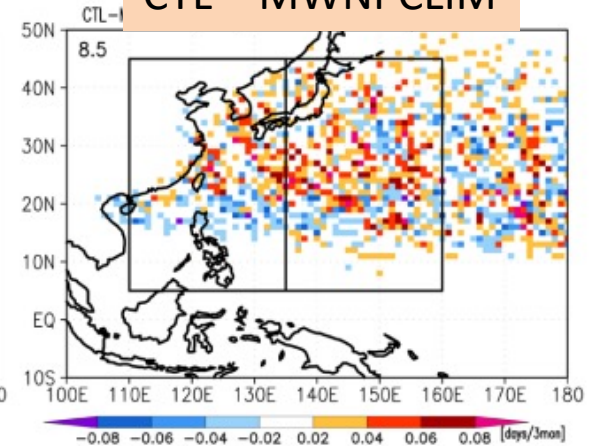
CTL



MWNPCLM

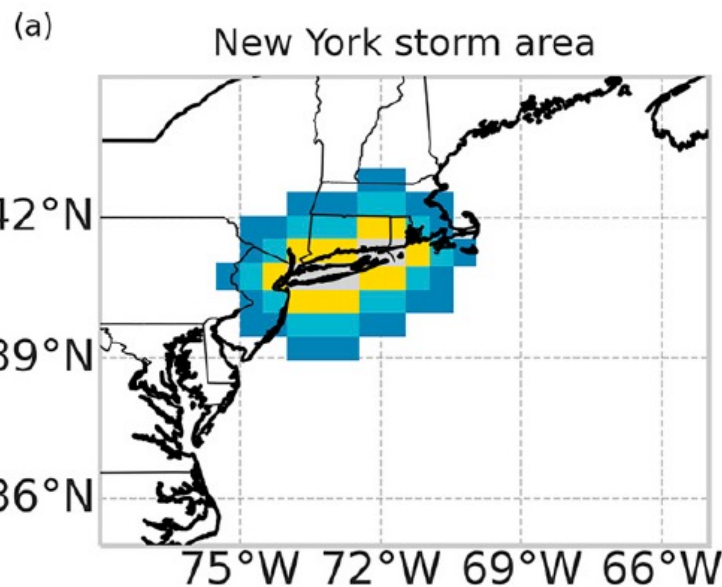
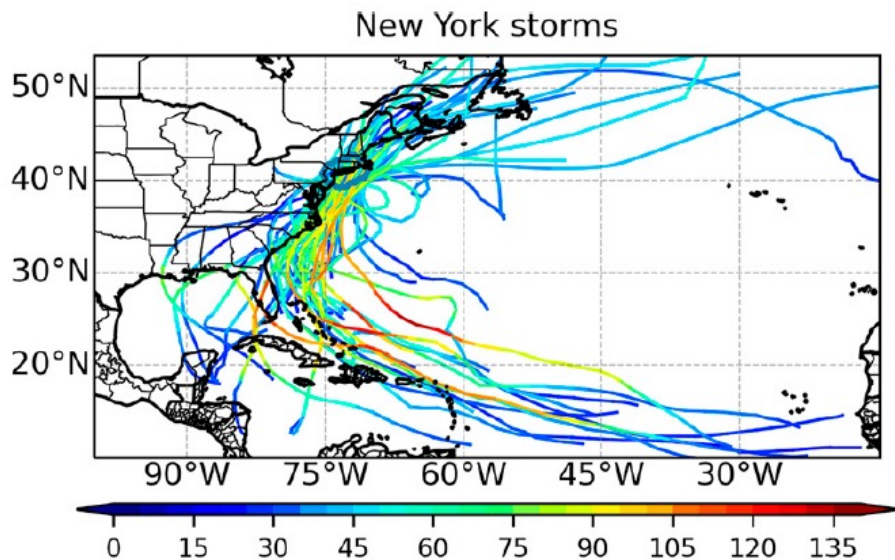


CTL - MWNPCLM

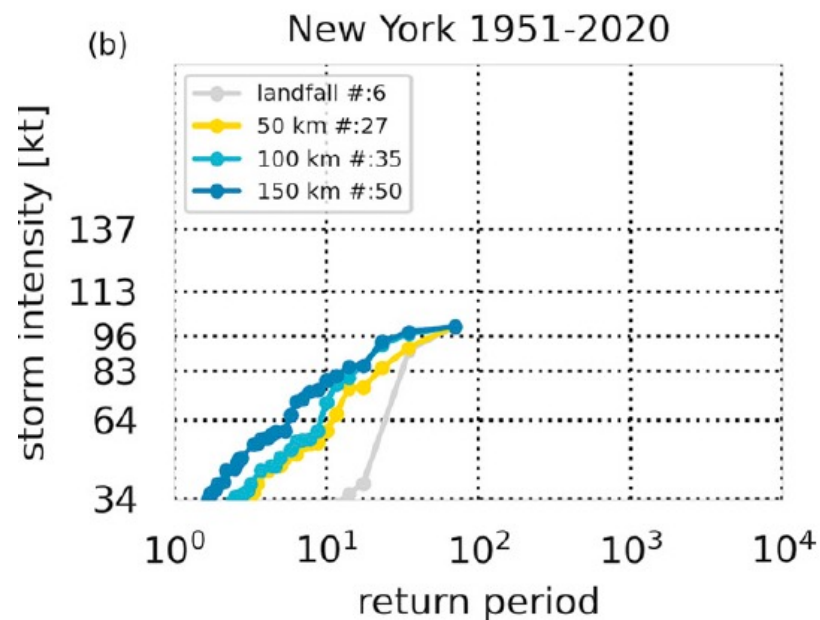


A warmer SST over the Kuroshio region exerts substantial influence on typhoons in the central WNP region.

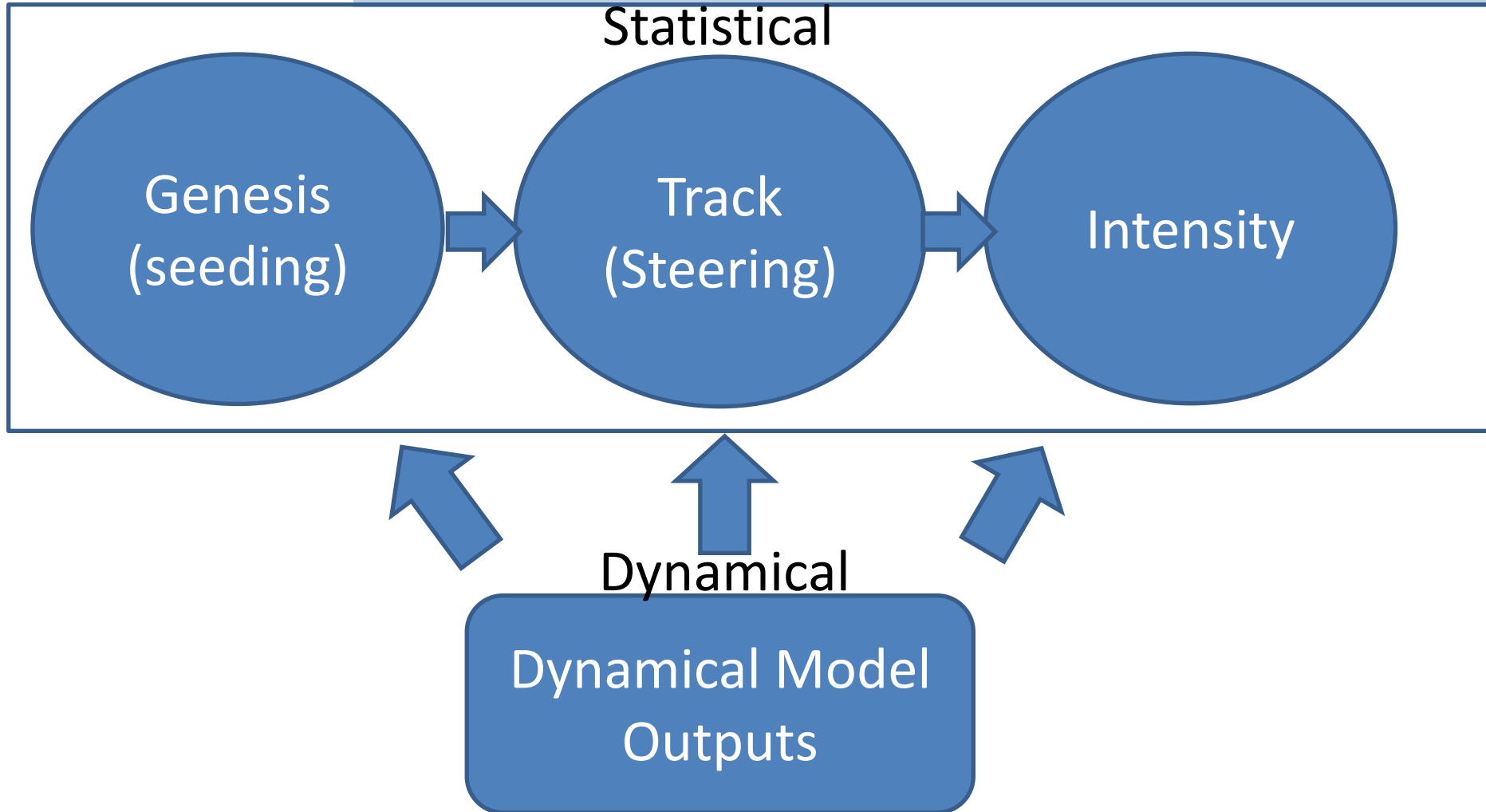
Storm intensity occurrence in a specific region



The observed record is not long enough to compute a return period longer than 100 years.



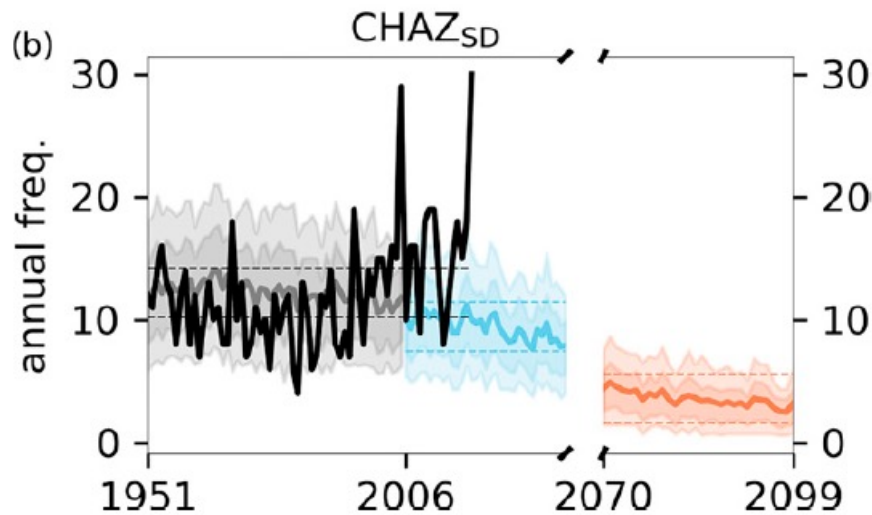
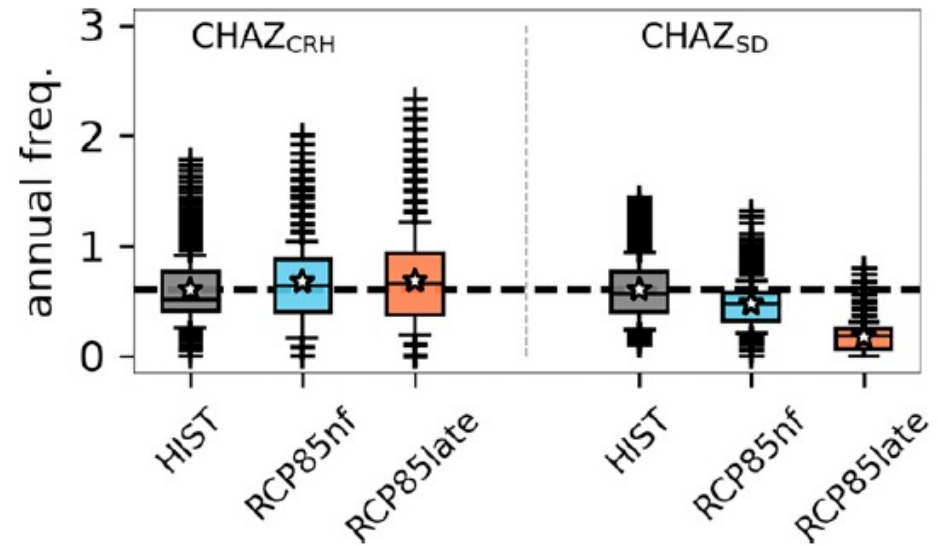
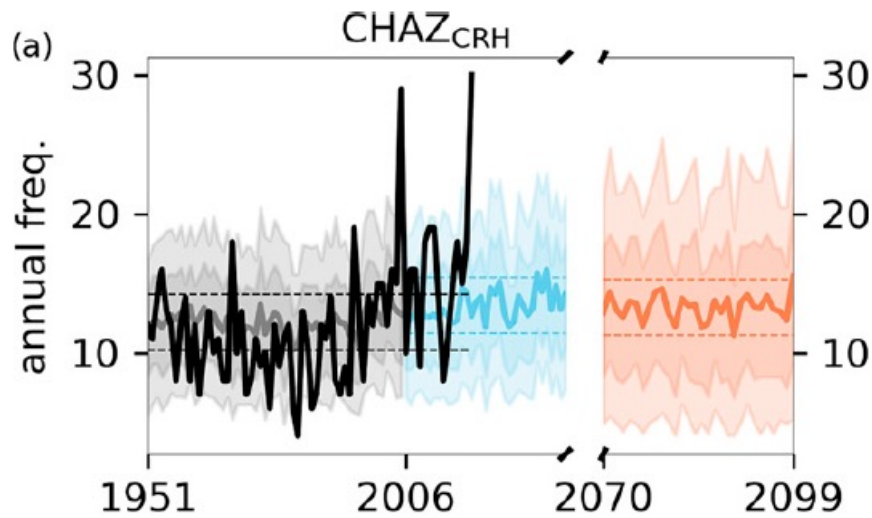
Statistical-dynamical downscaling



Emanuel (2006, 2008, 2013, 2021), Lee et al. (2018, 2020)

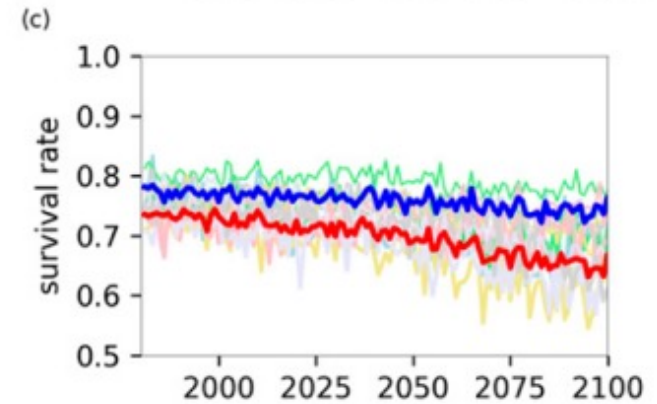
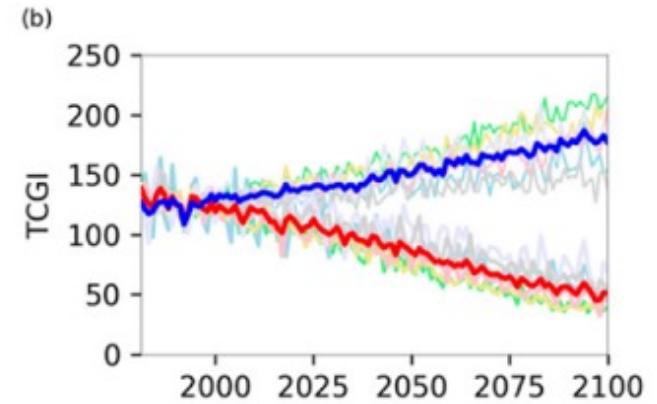
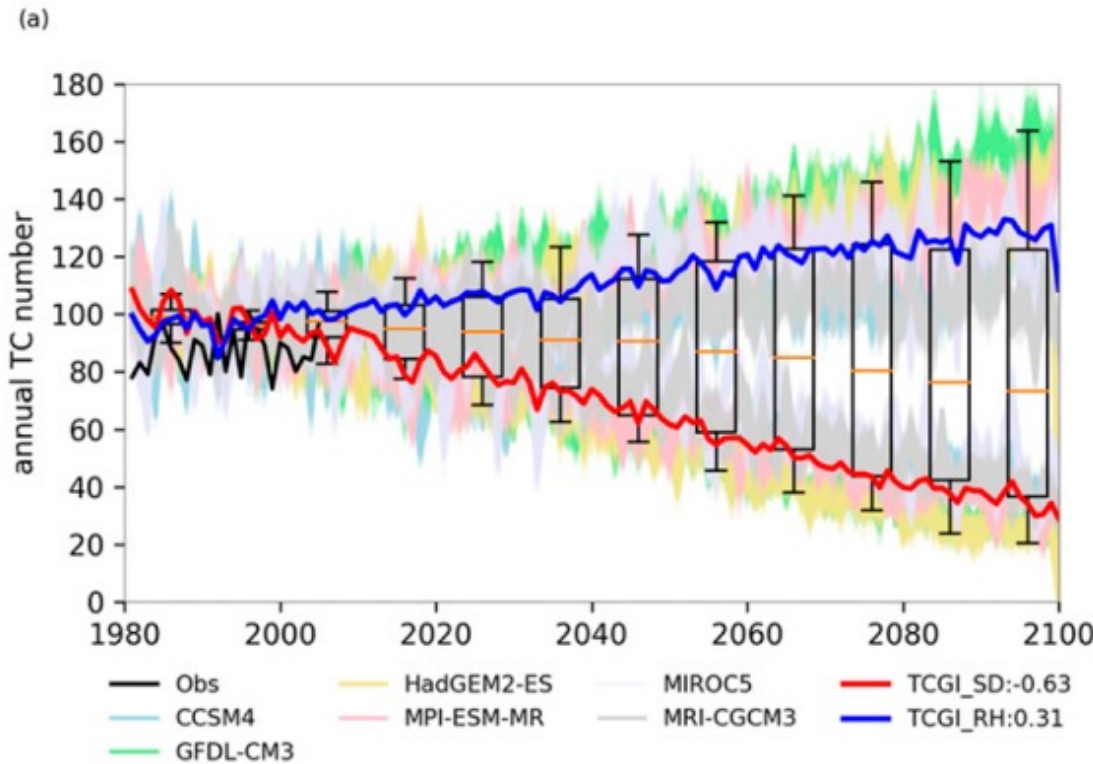
Benefit: It can generate many sample years without expensive computational resources.

Storm intensity occurrence in a specific region



Projected future changes in frequency of New York storms depends on TC genesis changes (i.e., CRH or SD).

Statistical-dynamical downscaling



CRH case: $\mu = \exp(b + b_{\eta} \eta_{850,c} + b_{CRH} CRH + b_{PI} PI + b_{SHR} SHR),$

SD case: $\mu = \exp(b + b_{\eta} \eta_{850,c} + b_{SD} SD + b_{PI} PI + b_{SHR} SHR).$

There have been substantial effects of natural variability and anthropogenic forcing on TC activity in the past.

However, reliable observed records are not long enough to argue the effect of anthropogenic forcing relative to natural variability on the past TC changes.

Modeling studies tried to address the influence of anthropogenic climate changes on past TCs, but still, a lot of uncertainties exist.

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