ERA-CLIM2 Project Mercator Ocean Contributions to WP2.2

Task 2.2 : Development of assimilation techniques



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Mercator Activities in the ERA-CLIM2 Project Contribution to the development of assimilation techniques



WP2 task2.2 : Development of assimilation techniques for improved use of surface observations

MO Sub task : Assimilation of Sea Ice Concentration

Objective: to improve coupled ocean/sea-ice data assimilation. Developing and testing a scheme that transforms sea-ice concentration to a Gaussian variable during the assimilation process.

Deliverable D2.2 (t0+27+12):

Results from a study Documented code and library applicable in the context of NEMOVAR.



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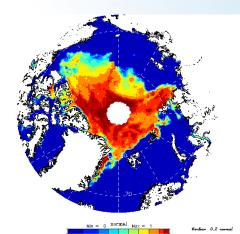
Model

- Nemo 3.1, LIM2-EVP
- Global ¼, 50 levels

Assimilation

- Analysis based on a 2D local multivariate SEEK/LETKF filter
- Weakly-coupled DA system using 2 separate analyses :
- Ocean Analysis (SLA, InSitu Data from CORA3.2, SST), IAU on (h,T,S,U,V)
- Sea Ice Analysis
 - SIC Error: 1% open ocean, linear from 25% to 5% for SIC values between 0.01 and 1
 - Forecast error covariances are built from a prior ensemble of Sea Ice Concentration anomalies => Fixed basis background error
- Unidata/univariate Sea Ice Analysis vs Multivariate Sea Ice analysis

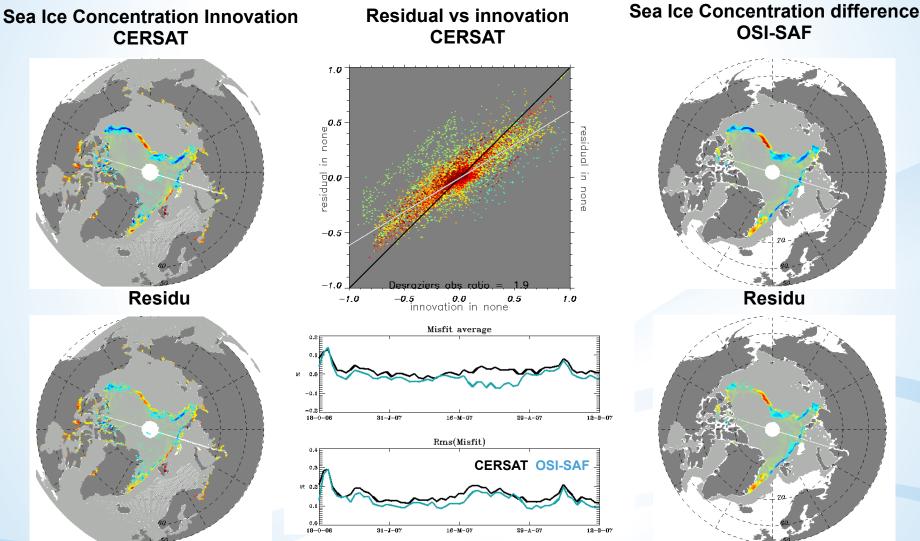




Sea Ice Concentration from CERSAT (IFREMER)

Univariate Sea Ice Analysis (sept 2007 after 1 year of hindcast experiment)

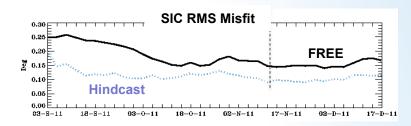




Development of a multivariate sea ice analysis

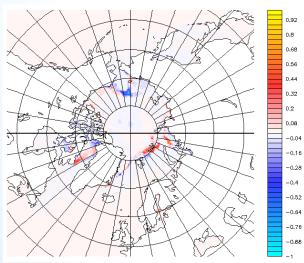


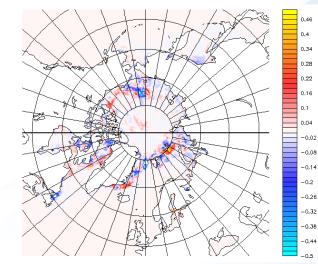
Multivariate state vector for multivariate sea ice analysis [SST,SIC,Thickness] with (SST,SIC) observations SST restricted to open ocean close to the marginal zone



Multivariate Sea Ice Model update (y2011m11d11)

(after 2 months of hindcast experiment)





SIC Model update

Thickness Model update

⇒ The thickness model update is statistically extrapolated



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An Arctic-Northern configuration dedicated to the development of an advanced sea ice analysis

To develop an advanced sea ice analysis (multidata, multivariate, Gaussian Anamorphosis parameterization, Ensemble, LIM3, ...), it is more efficient to use a recent and low-cost model configuration centred on the Arctic Sea

Use of an Arctic-Northern Atlantic Configuration at 1/4° (CREG4/NEMO3.6/LIM3)

- Starting date: 20061001
- Studied period: 2007-2014
- NEMO 3.6_stable
- free surface solved by time-splitting
- non linear free surface (variable volume)

-Initial condition: T/S: WOA13

Sea Ice concentration: CERSAT

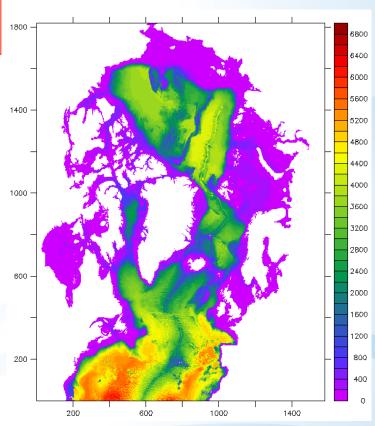
Sea Ice thickness: from a previous run (global 1°) -Boundary condition: from PSY3 operationnal system (¼° degree) -Atmospheric forcing: IFS (ECMWF operationnal) on 1/8° regular grid -runoff psy3 + blacksea runoff from MEDRYS (Med 1/12 reanalysis)

Technical work in progress by the end of 2015

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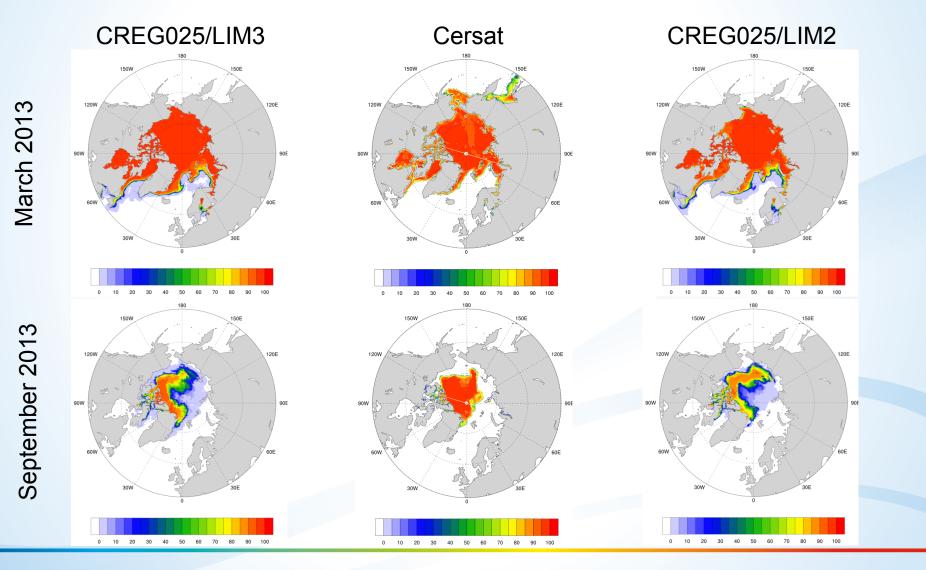


Improvement of the Sea Ice using the new NEMO3.6/LIM3

- 7 years of free simulation from 2007

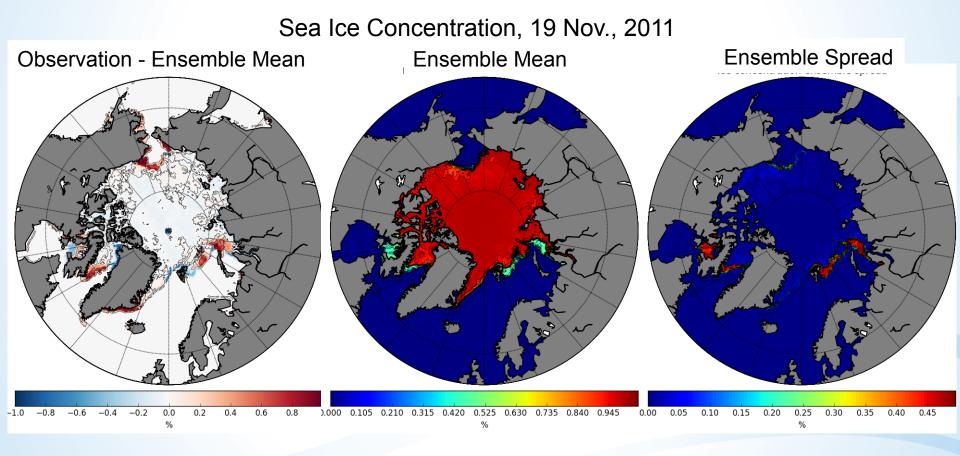
- CREG025/NEMO3.6/LIM3 with 5 categories and 2 levels





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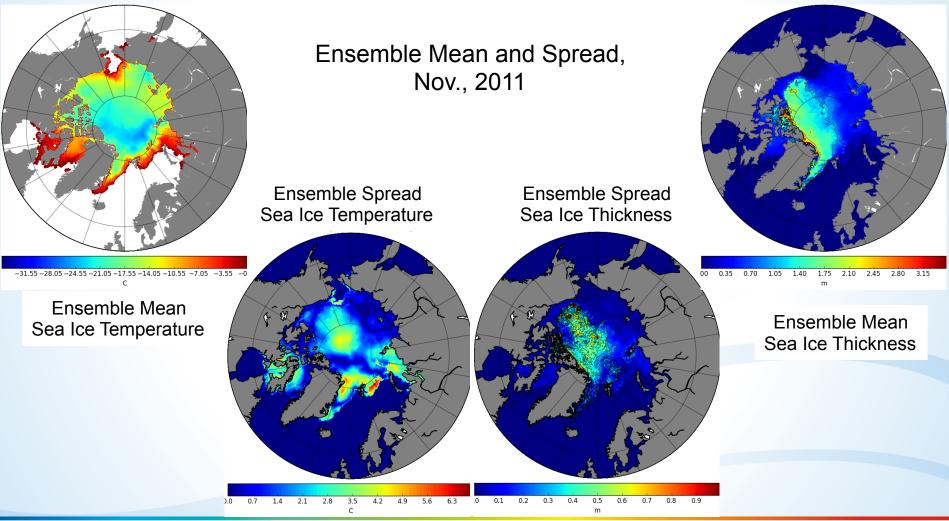
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