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KOPRI's PACEO Pilot Activities and Plans: Atmospheric and Sea Ice Observations

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Atmospheric and sea-ice state: 2014 vs. 2015





http://nsidc.org/arcticseaicenews/charctic-interactive-sea-ice-graph/



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Topics included

- Updates & Planning
 - Arctic summer research cruise with ARAON (August 2015)
 - Atmospheric observations
 - On-board instruments & Target observations
 - Deployment of sea ice buoys
 - On-ice collaborative activities

On-board atmospheric observing instruments in 2015

<Objectives>

- Surface basic meteorological variables: physical understanding of weather events, numerical weather prediction, assessment of reanalysis data
- Radiosonde launch: physical understanding of weather events, numerical weather prediction, assessment of reanalysis data, cloud and radiation
- Cloud and radiative fluxes: cloud radiative effect on surface, assessment of reanalysis data, physical understanding of weather events

Further strengthening (2017~)

Scientific motivation

Poleward Heat Transport by Atmosphere and Ocean

Ice-Albedo Feedba

Greenhouse Effect of Clouds and Water Vapor

ncreased Mobility of Thinner Ice

PACEO – feedbacks among physical climate components

Wang et al. (2014b, Springer Book, Ch 4)

- An ice/ocean albedo feedback loop and ice/cloud feedback loop are accelerated by a series of intermittent +DA forcings.
- The red arrows are associated with +DA forcing, which applies the positive feedback to the SST/SAT, or negative feedback to the sea ice, causing the unprecedented loss of Arctic summer sea ice and a series of record-breaking ice minima. + and signs denote the positive and negative feedback, respectively. The positive feedback means that a change in one item (say *A*) affects the other item (say *B*), which feeds back so that *A* makes the change in the same direction as the original change.
- Note that associated with +DA, red arrow 1 indicates the northward advection of warmer SAT in the northern North Pacific to the Arctic by the anomalous meridional wind; Red arrow 2 denotes that anomalous meridional wind directly accelerates the TDS, which promotes export of more ice out of the Arctic; Red arrow 3 indicates the direct advection of sea ice by the anomalous meridional wind; and red arrow 4 denotes the warming impact of the ocean heat transport from the Bering Sea promoted by the anomalous northward (or meridional) wind.

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Adapted from "Planning for New PAG Climate Observations" (PAG 2014 Fall Meeting)

Results from satellite data provide us a nice motivation...

Change in cloud - sea ice relationship? Why?

In the Pacific Arctic Sector, In the middle-to-late 1990s

- Former: Positive (Negative) correlation between S(L)WRF & SIC-> less SEP SIC during more JJA clouds when clouds were more -> LW CRF during summer might have a role in sea ice melting
- Later: Emerging role of SW CRF in sea ice melting

2015 ARAON Arctic cruise (Leg 1)

ARA06B (2 August to 21 August)

Cho et al. (ARA06B Cruise Report)

Cloud observation

- Original plan: three-way observations of shipboard LIDAR, all-sky camera and radiosonde
 - Shipboard DPL did not operate cancelled
- Sky pictures taken by all-sky camera
 - Observing frequency: 15-minute intervals
 - Cloud amounts were retrieved at 30-minute intervals

Radiosonde launch

- Observing frequency
 - Twice daily (00, 12 UTC)
 - 4-times daily (00, 06, 12, 18 UTC) around the ice camp period (18 UTC 11 Aug. ~ 12 UTC 14 Aug.)
- Total number of launch: 50
 - 43 succeeded, 7 failed (Success rate: 86%)
 - Average ascending height: 30 km (mid-stratosphere)
- Striving for on-line data
 - Among 37 launches at 00 and 12 UTC, 29 of them were successfully transmitted to the KOPRI server
 - Data transmission: 1st data (surface to 100-hPa) during ascent, 2nd complete data after termination

Radiosonde profile

Preliminary comparison with available reanalysis datasets

Further strengthening (2017~)

YOPP (Year of Polar Prediction)

- An extended period of coordinated intensive observational and modelling activities, in order to improve prediction capabilities for the polar regions and beyond, on a wide range of time scales from hours to seasons
- A key element of the WWRP-PPP

We are about to submit our application form for YOPP endorsement.

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WORLD WEATHER RESEARCH PROGRAMME

Activities on sea ice

Sea ice buoy deployments for physical observation

<Objectives>

- To measure in-situ physical parameters of atmosphere, ice and ocean autonomously throughout the annual cycle
- To understand key physical processes operating between and within atmosphere-ice-ocean
- To study the energy balance at the atmosphere-ice-ocean interface

KOPRI-SAMS drifting buoys (Drifter 01 – 10)

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Status Monitoring

(As of 2015-10-18)

•	Drifter 01 300234062941850	81 28.1820 81.46970	-172 26,9928 -172,44988	02:23 hours ago	10.33 (V)
•	Drifter 02 300234062940880	81 26.3718 81.43953	-171 41.2218 -171.68703	02:23 hours ago	10.28 (V)
•	Drifter 03 300234062949830	81 23.6190 81.39365	-171 15.7542 -171.26257	07:23 hours ago	10.41 (V)
•	Drifter 04 300234062947770	81 22.8930 81.38155	-171 29.3724 -171.48954	02:23 hours ago	10.24 (V)
-	Drifter 05 300234062945880	81 10.6662 81.17777	179 43.1652 179.71942	25 days ago	10.05 (V)
•	Drifter 06 300234062946880	81 25.6176 81.42696	-173 3.4260 -173.05710	08:23 hours ago	10.39 (V)
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•	Drifter 08 300234062329110	81 26.6076 81.44346	-173 2.7372 -173.04562	08:23 hours ago	10.39 (V)
•	Drifter 09 300234062949850	80 45.1188 80.75198	173 17.7558 173.29593	66 days ago	10.54 (V)
•	Drifter 10 300234062941760	81 28.3812 81.47302	-173 0.6900 -173.01150	02:23 hours ago	10.41 (V)

Sea ice dynamics - effects of scales on deformation

Phil Hwang, SAMS, Pedro Elosegui, ICM-CSIC/MIT, Jeremy Wilkinson, BAS

Small scale (< 1km) deformation

TerraSAR-X image 28/Nov/2014 ©DLR

TerraSAR-X image 20/Jan/2015 ©DLR

Early January the buoys deploy ed on the floe detected "displac ement" (see red arrow above), i ndicating deformation of the fl oe. SAR images taken across thi 's period show significant defor mation of the floe (see yellow r ectangles in the images on the right).

Large scale (> 1km) deformation

- How atmospheric forcing is related to sea ice defo rmation at different scal es?
- What is the spatial and t emporal correlation acro ss the scale?
- Can we parameterize ice deformation across the s cale?

KOPRI-SAMS IMB 01

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Temperature chain died at 20150922-00h~06h

BAS-type IMB (011 & 012) with radiation sensors

- Two new-type buoys with radiation sensors were experimentally deployed in different melt ponds
 - IMB 011 : deployed in saline pond (Salinity: 20 psu)
 - IMB 012 : deployed in fresh pond (Salinity: 2.3 psu)
 - Objectives
 - In order to capture thermal and thickness variation of the pond water and ice all together throughout the annual cycle

IMB012

• To understand the effect of pond salinity on evolution characteristic during transition (melting/freezing) season

IMB011

Ocean heat flux

"The surplus heat needed to explain the loss of Arctic sea ice during the past few decades is on the order of $1\sim 2$ W m⁻². Observing, attributing, and predicting such a small amount of energy remain daunting problems."

Kwok and Untersteiner (2011)

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 Sensitivity of equilibrium thickness to ocean heat flux variati ons

Evolution of sea ice - energy balance

- Inner energy balance: vertical gradient of conductive heat flux(F_c) and absorbing insolation(I₀)
- Bottom energy balance: ocean heat flux(F_w), conductive heat flux(F_c), latent heat flux due to phase change(F_I), specific heat flux due to ice temperature change (F_s)

 $F_w - (F_c + F_1 + F_s) = 0$ Estimation of ocean heat flux by "Residual Method" McPhee and Untersteiner (1982)

$$F_c = k_i(S_i, T_i) \frac{\partial T_i}{\partial z} \qquad F_l = -\rho_i L_f(S_i, T_i) \frac{\partial h_i}{\partial t} \qquad F_s = \rho_i c_i(S_i, T_i) \frac{\partial T_i}{\partial t} \Delta d$$

Example of IMB temperature profile (Deployed in March 2014)

Estimation of ocean heat flux using "residual method"

$$F_{w} = (F_{c} + F_{l} + F_{s}) = 0$$

$$F_{w} \approx k_{i} \frac{\partial T_{i}}{\partial z} - \rho_{i} L_{f} \frac{\partial h_{i}}{\partial t} + F_{s}$$

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angle \sim \left\langle k_i \frac{\partial T_i}{\partial z} \right\rangle - \left\langle \rho_i L_f \frac{\partial h_i}{\partial t} \right\rangle \qquad < \cdot > : \text{Time Average}$$

- Period 1 (14~16) - (18~20) ~-4 W m⁻² - Period 2 (6~9) - 0 ~7 W m⁻²

Natural hazard

IMB 012 temperature chain was broken end of August highly likely by a visitor.

Chain temperature evolution

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IMB 011

- Last communication: 8 days ago
- Frozen and covered by snow
- Still Working fine!

Most recent discernible webcam image

Autonomous platform on sea-ice

- Continue buoy deployments through international collaborations
 - BAS, SAMS, CRREL, ONR, CSIC, OUC, UPMC, WHOI etc.
- Develop challenging scientific questions can be solved by this effort
 - Melt pond parameterization, Recovery of salinity profile, etc.

Thank You

