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# ASSIMILATION OF SEA SURFACE HEIGHT ANOMALIES INTO HYCOM FOR SOUTH ATLANTIC AND OLAM REGIONAL CLIMATE PREDICTION

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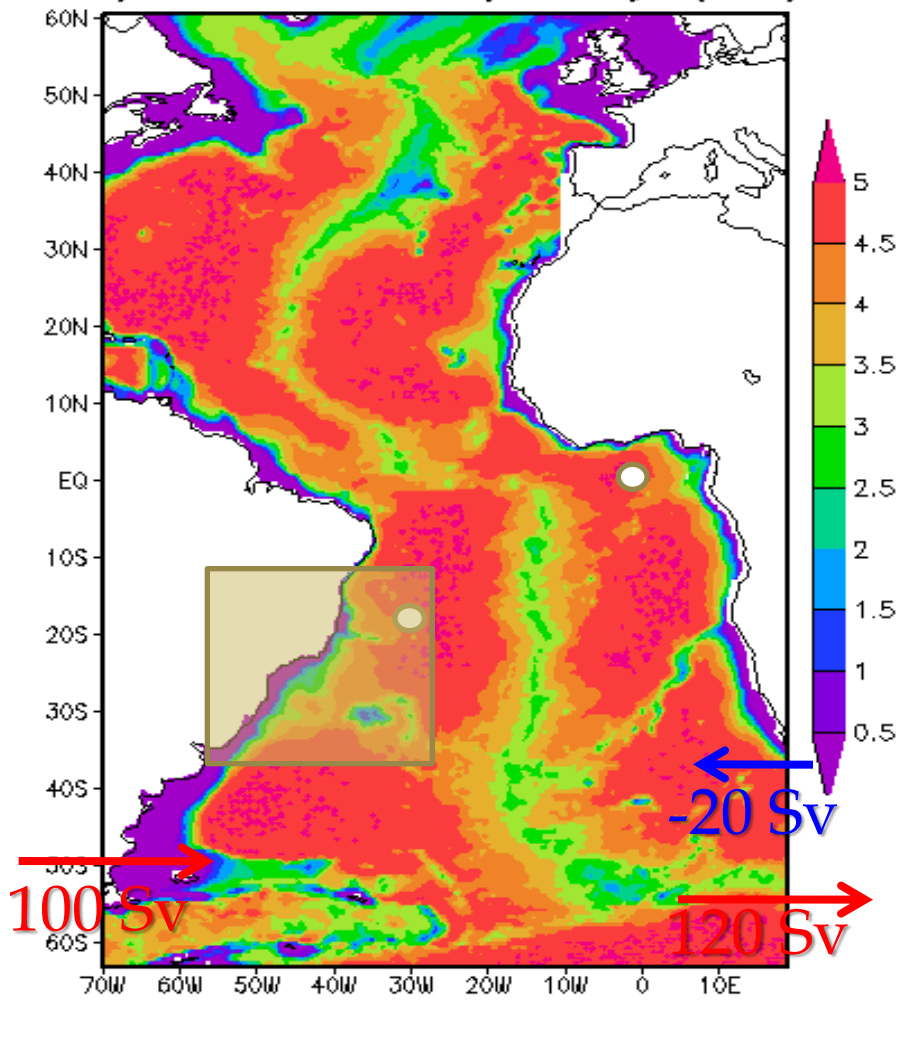
# Overview

- Historical overview of HYCOM operational for Brazil
- SSH satellite data assimilation
- Ocean-Atmosphere interaction (Mesoscale systems, Regional climate downscaling, Seasonal forecasting, Extreme events)
- HYCOM-OLAM coupling

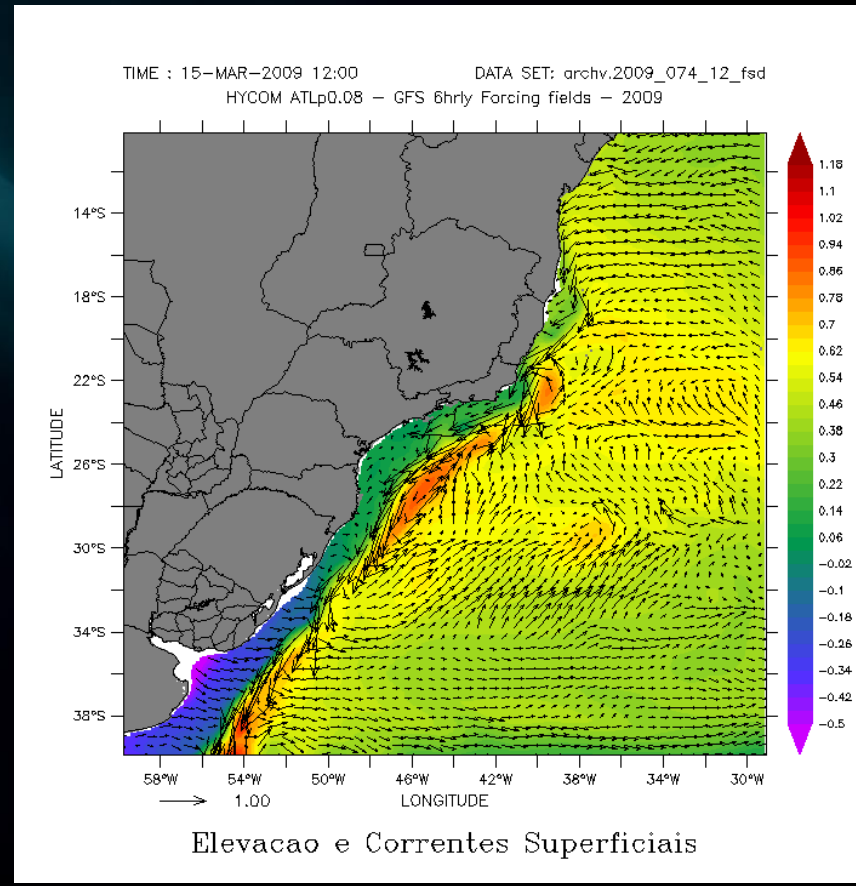


# HYCOM Preliminary operational system – Grid 1/3 (22 levels)

Spin-up COADS 30 years (USP-UFBA)  
2007/2008 – NCEP atmospheric forcing



## HYCOM Grid nesting 1/12 degree





# GFS Atmospheric forcing use on the operational HYCOM Forecasting System

6-hourly GFS  
(Global Forecast System)

$\Delta x = 0.5$  degree

7-day forecast

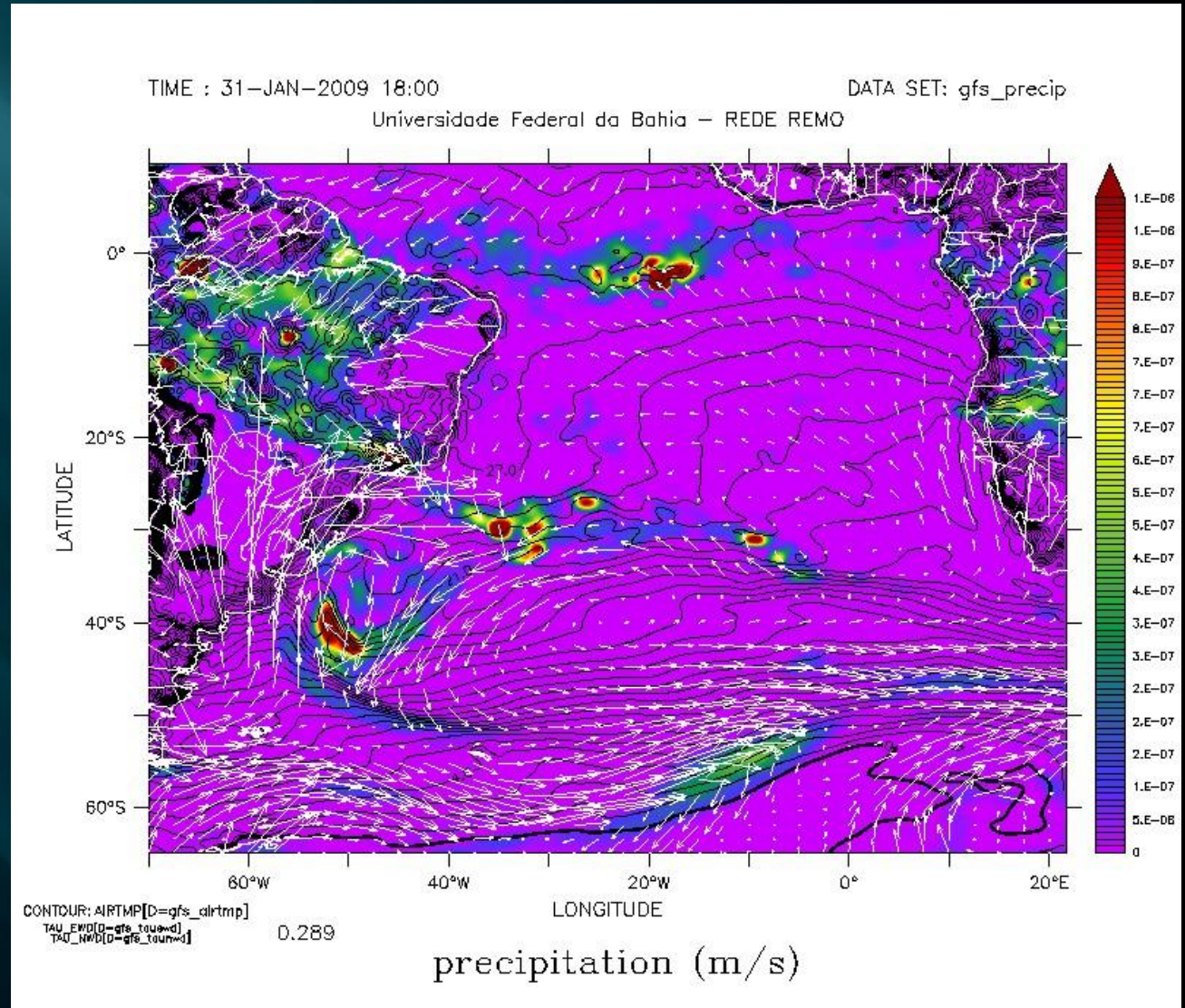
Wind shear;

Temperature;

Precipitation

Humidity

Radiation.

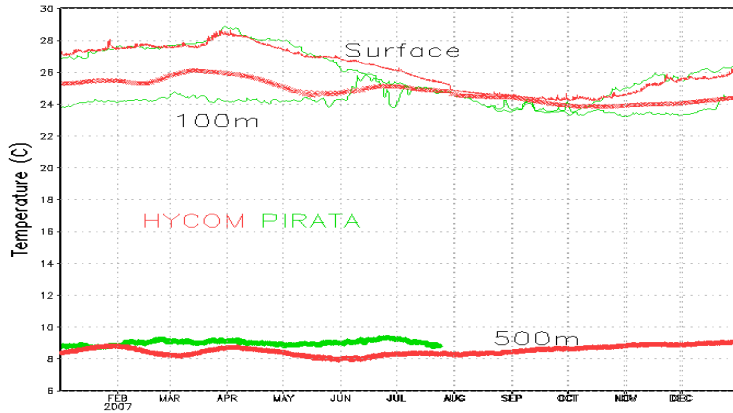


# HYCOM Model evaluation & tests

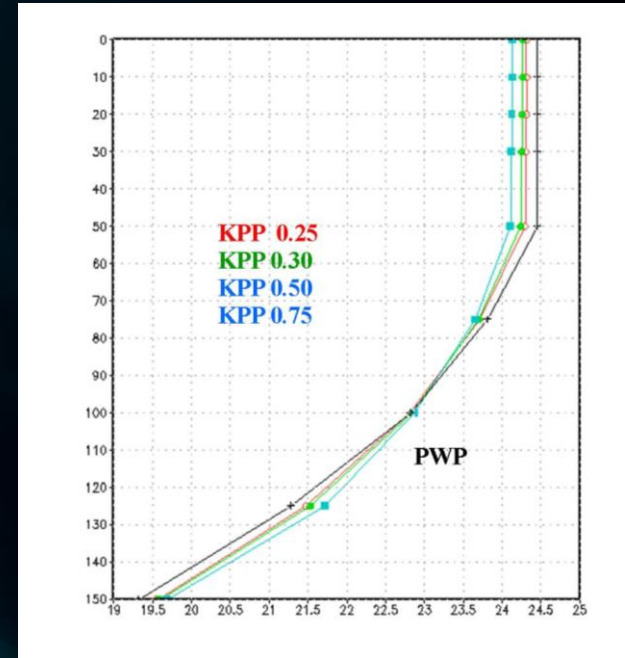
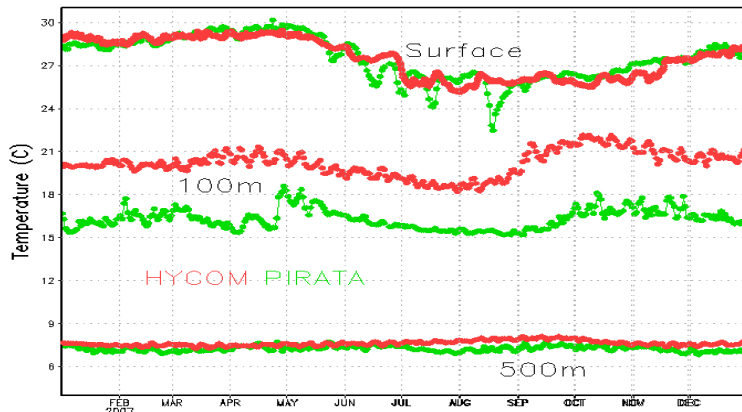
Several tests were performed to evaluate the KPP parametrization.

Temperature was warmer than observations (e.g. 100m) at Pirata profile sites.

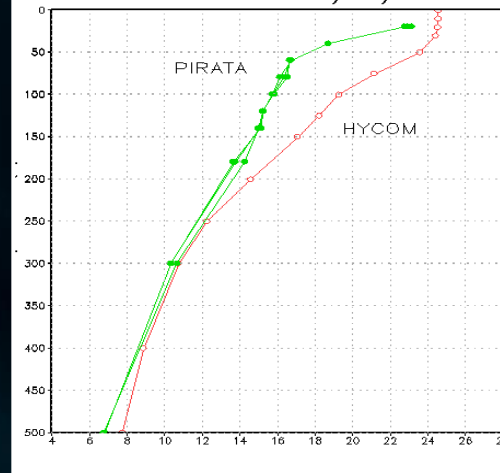
Pirata 19S34W & HYCOM 2007



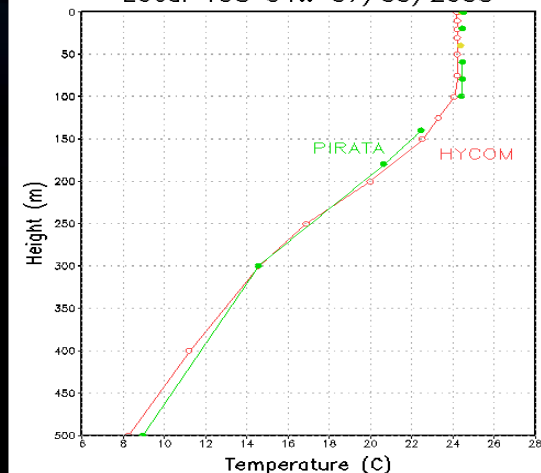
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Local 00N 00W 07/09/2008



Local 19S 34W 07/09/2008





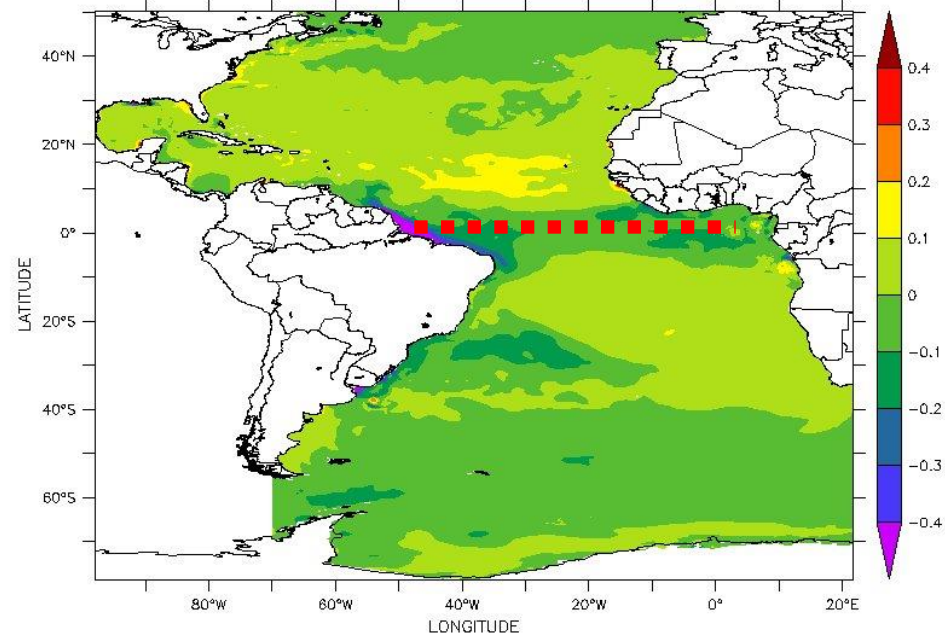
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Grid  $\frac{1}{4}$   
NCEP reanalysis  
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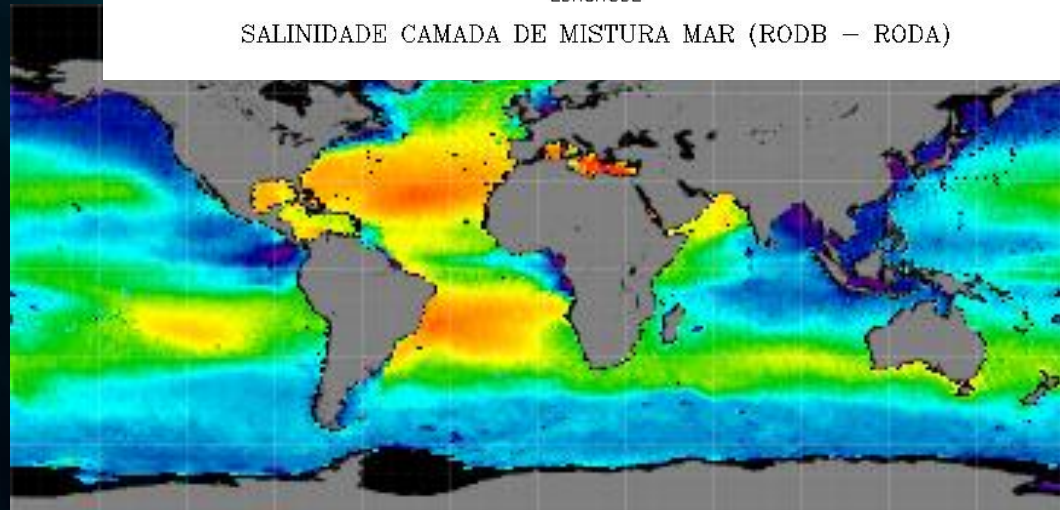
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Aquarius Satellite  
Climatology

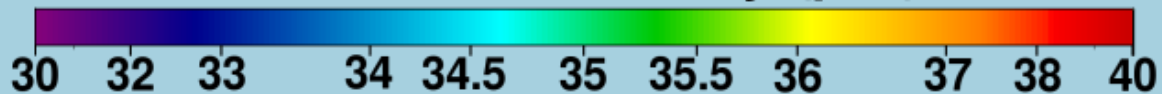
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SALINIDADE CAMADA DE MISTURA MAR (RODB - RODA)



Sea Surface Salinity (psu)

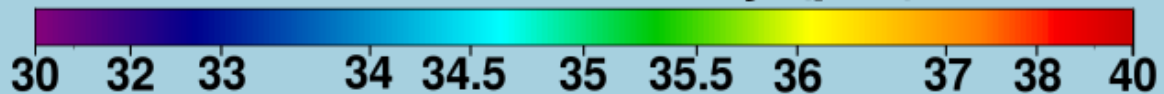
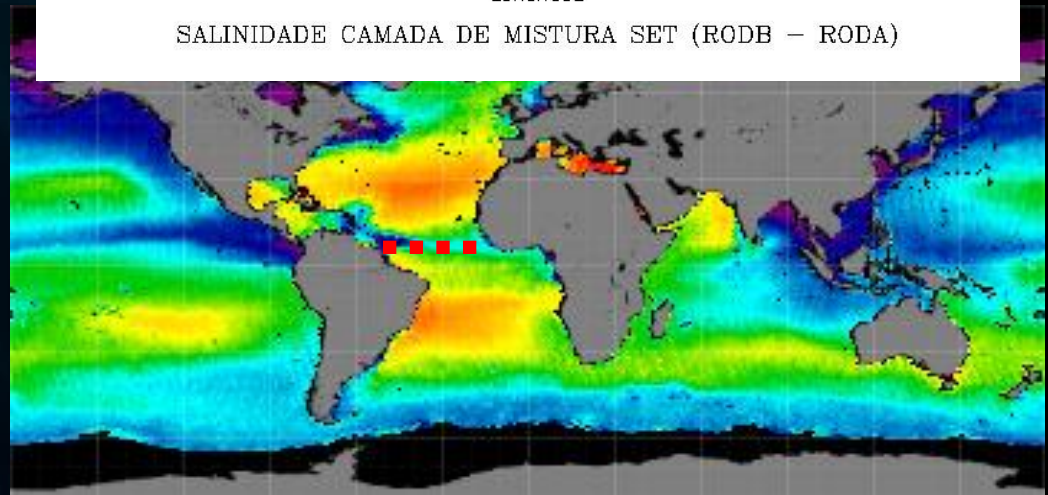
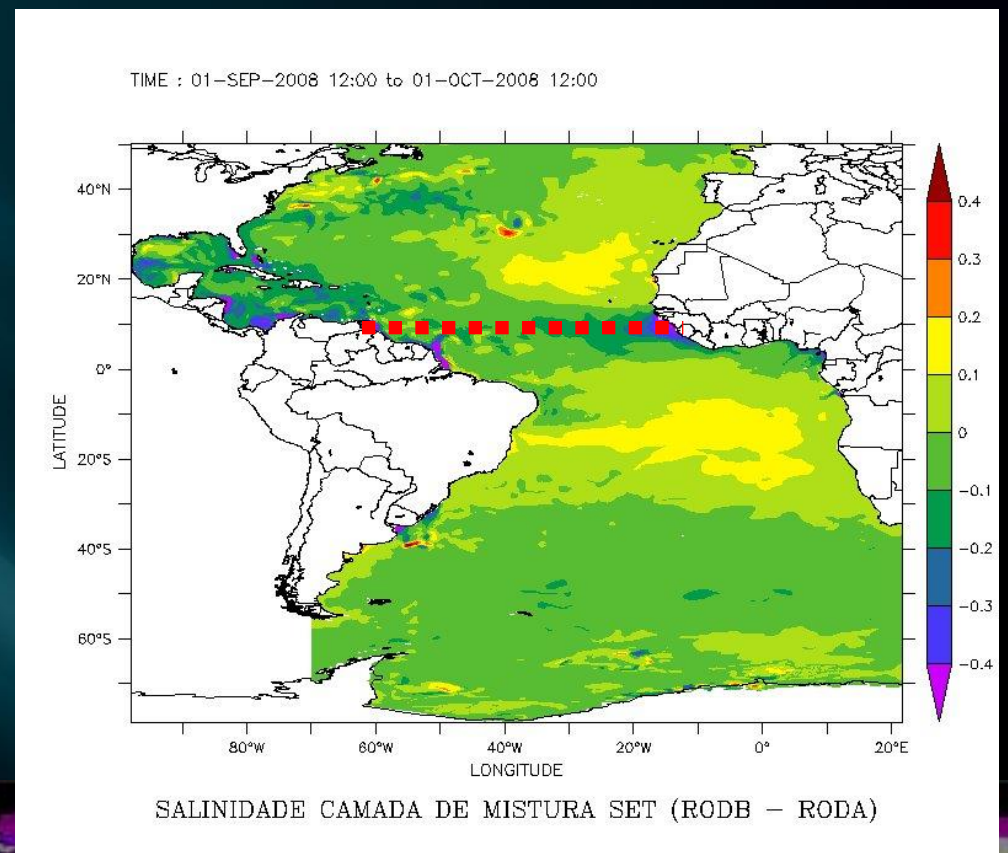


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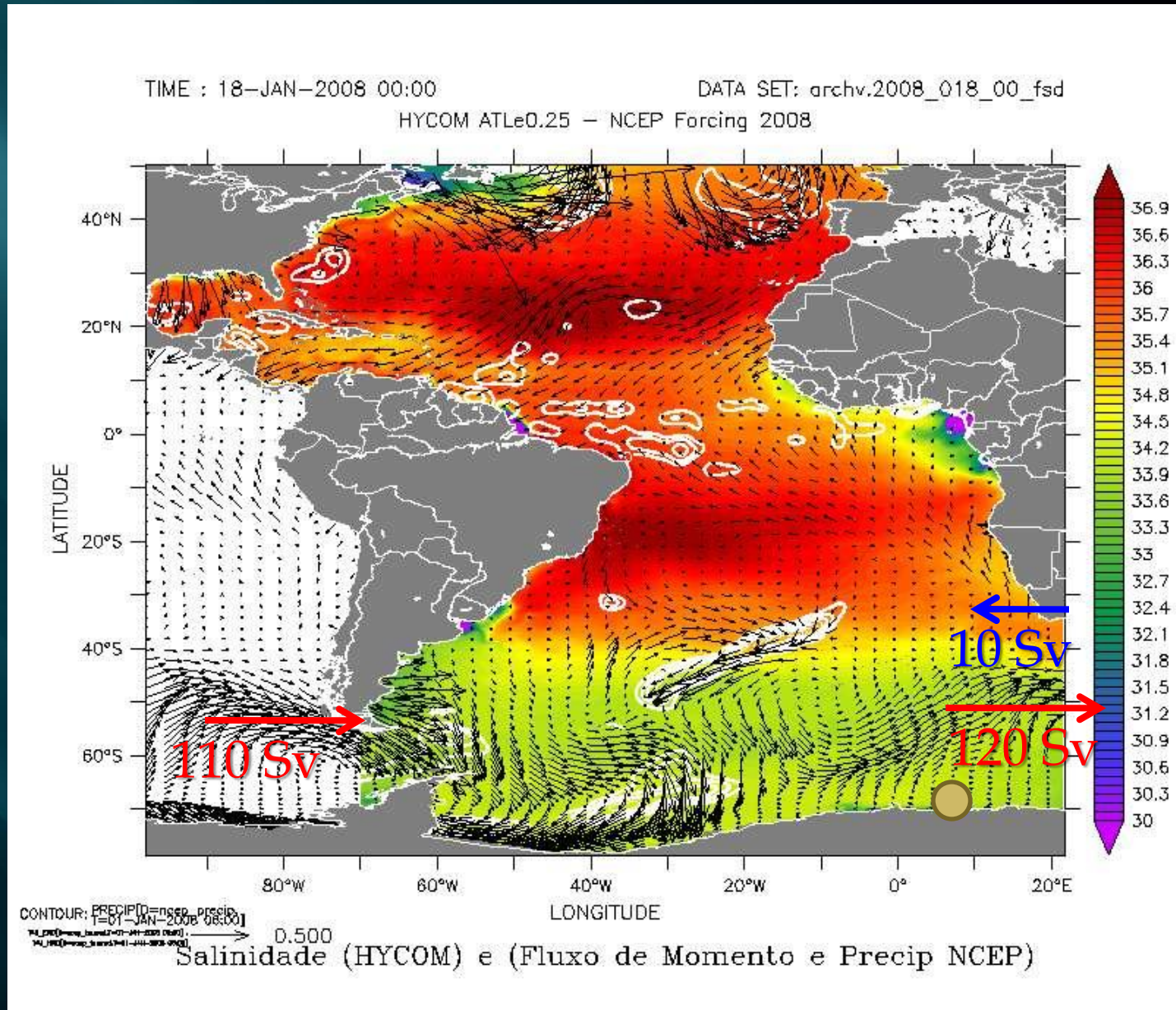
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# HYCOM New grid for Atlantic Ocean

- Spin-up
- COADS
- NCEP: 2008, June-2009

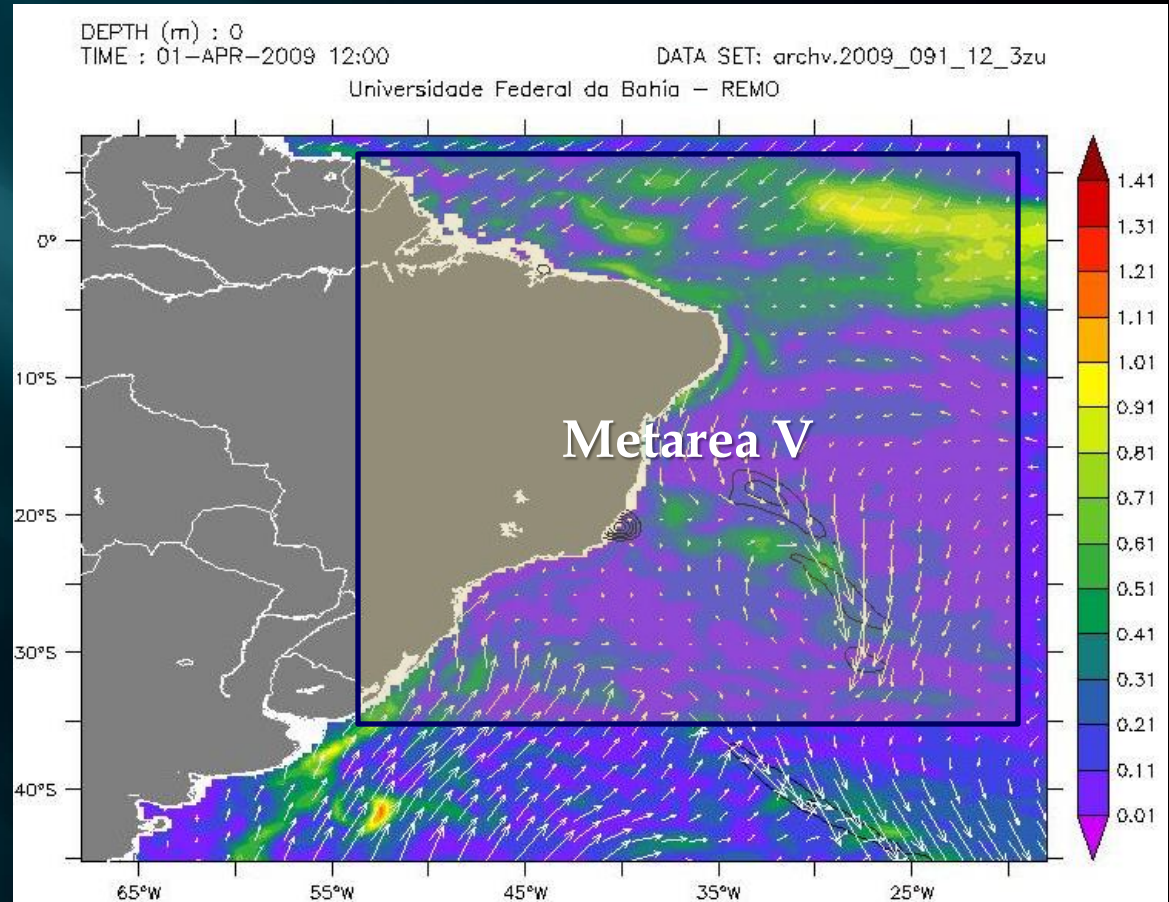


HYCOM 1<sup>st</sup> operational tests started on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2008



# HYCOM New 1/12 nested grid / Nave Metaarea5

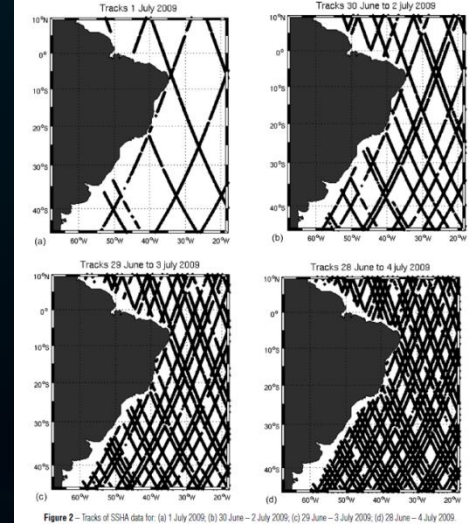
- Implementation of the 1/12 grid;
- The domains is slight larger than the Navy Metaarea V;
- Try do avoid the confluence between the Brazil current with the Malvinas current.



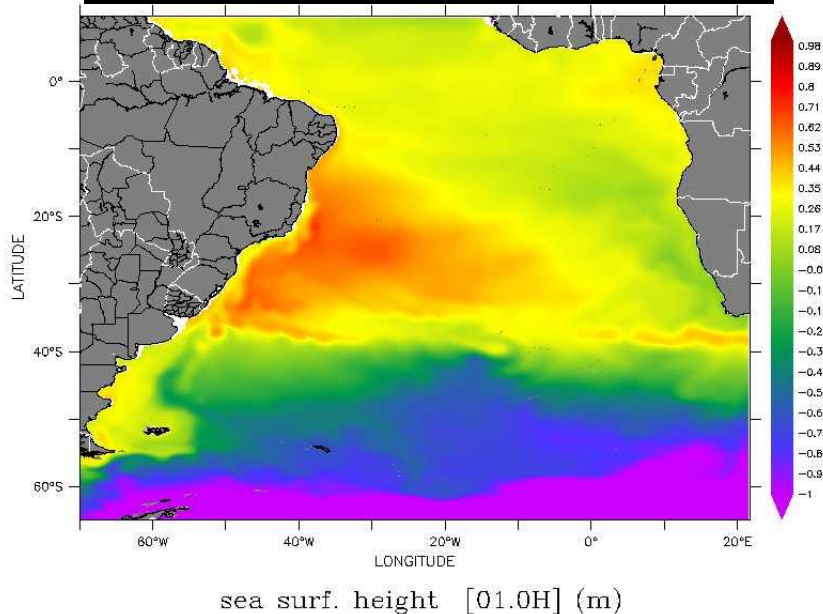
# HYCOM SSH assimilation

Jason-1 Jason-2; Filtering; Optimal Interpolation  
7-day Window; Cooper & Haines  
1<sup>st</sup> July -31<sup>st</sup> Dec. 2009

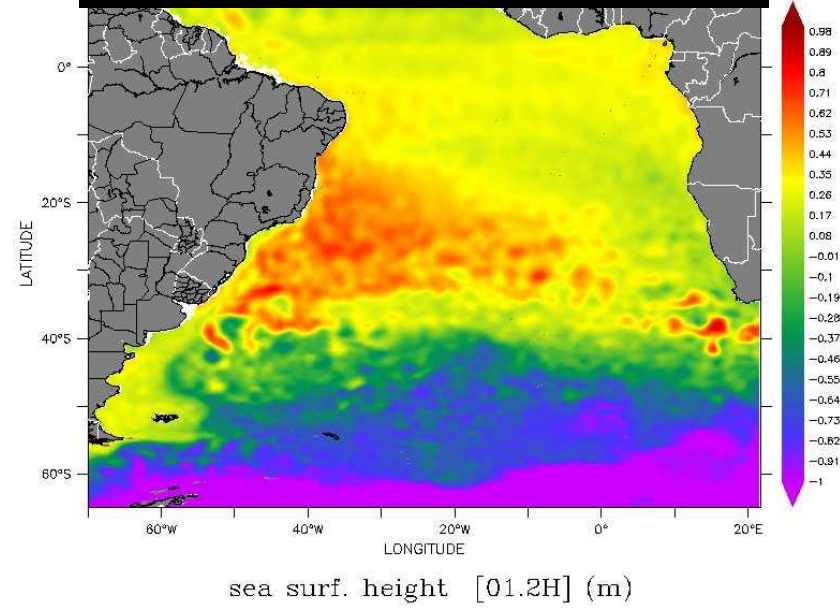
Jason 3 (July 2015) !!!



No C&H 28 Feb. 2009



With C&H 28 Feb. 2009



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Tanajura, Costa, Ramos-da-Silva, Ruggiero & Daher, RBGEF, 2013

# HYCOM SSH assimilation

Vertical cross section show that the assimilation improved the presence of the Brazilian current near the surface.

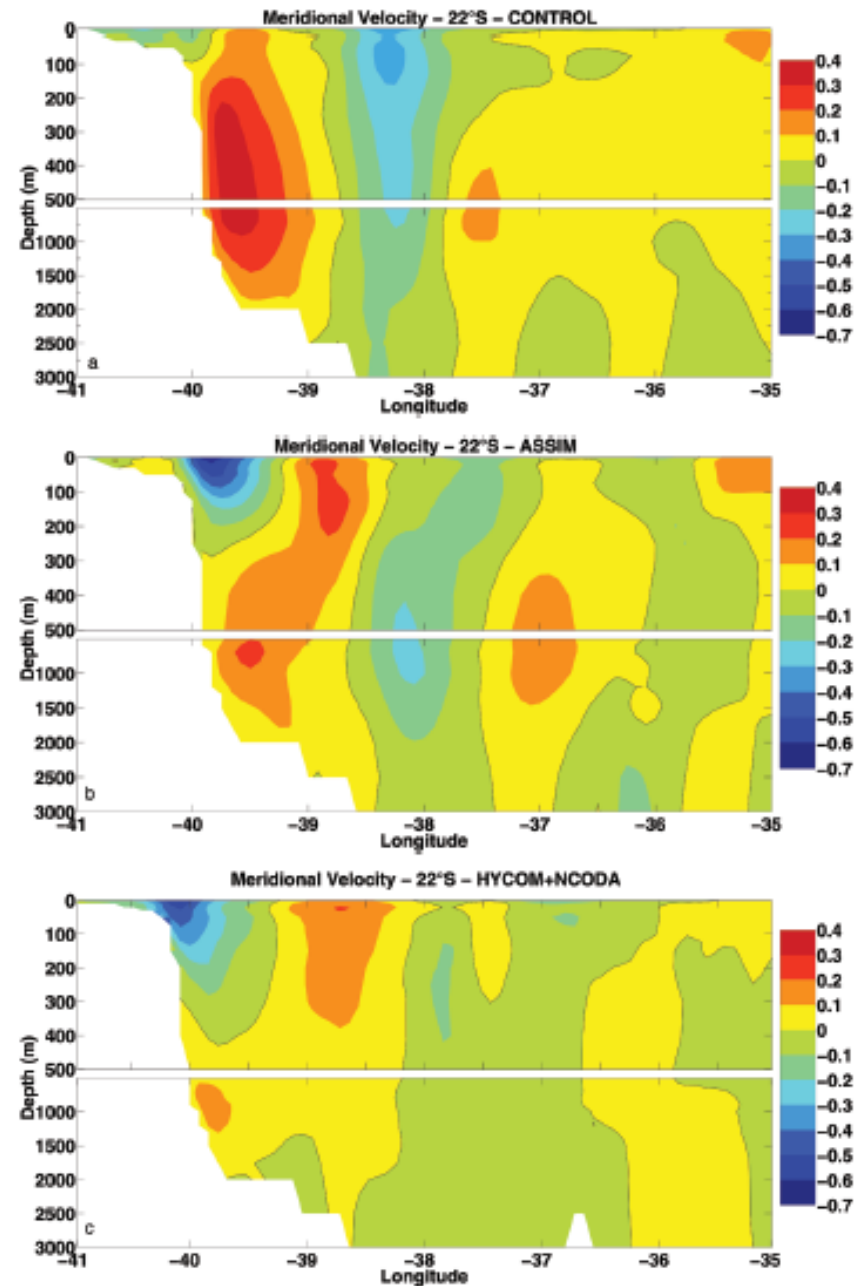


Figure 8 – Vertical cross section of the monthly mean meridional velocity (m/s) for December 2009 at 22°S according to (a) the control run; (b) the assimilation run; and (c) the HYCOM+NCODA.



# HYCOM SSH assimilation

RMSE as compared to AVISO

- The control run has higher error (e.g. Amazon & south);
- The assimilation processes decreases the errors;
- Improvements on the latitude of the Bifurcation of the South Equatorial Current.

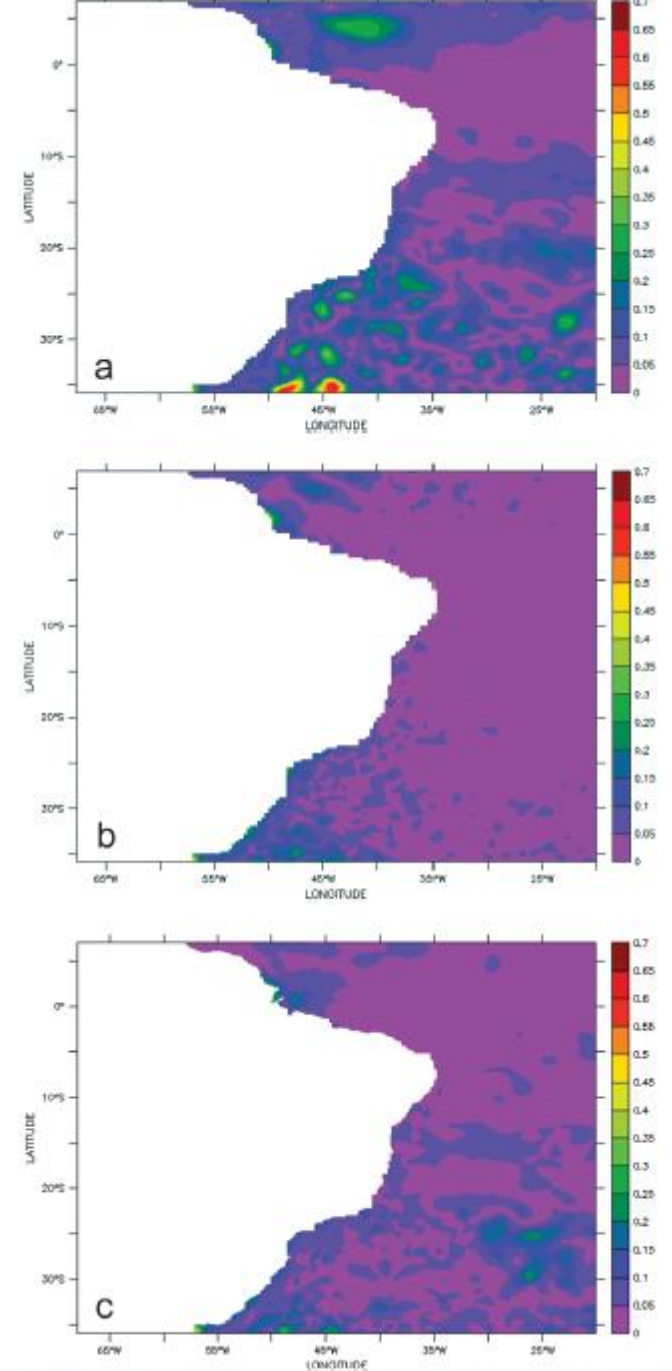


Figure 6 – Centered RMSE of the SSHA anomaly (m) with respect to AVISO for December 2009 for (a) the control run; (b) the assimilation run and (c) the HYCOM-NCODA analysis.

# HYCOM SSH

With the  
SSH  
assimilation  
in about 3  
months the  
model is  
able to  
reconstruct  
the SSH

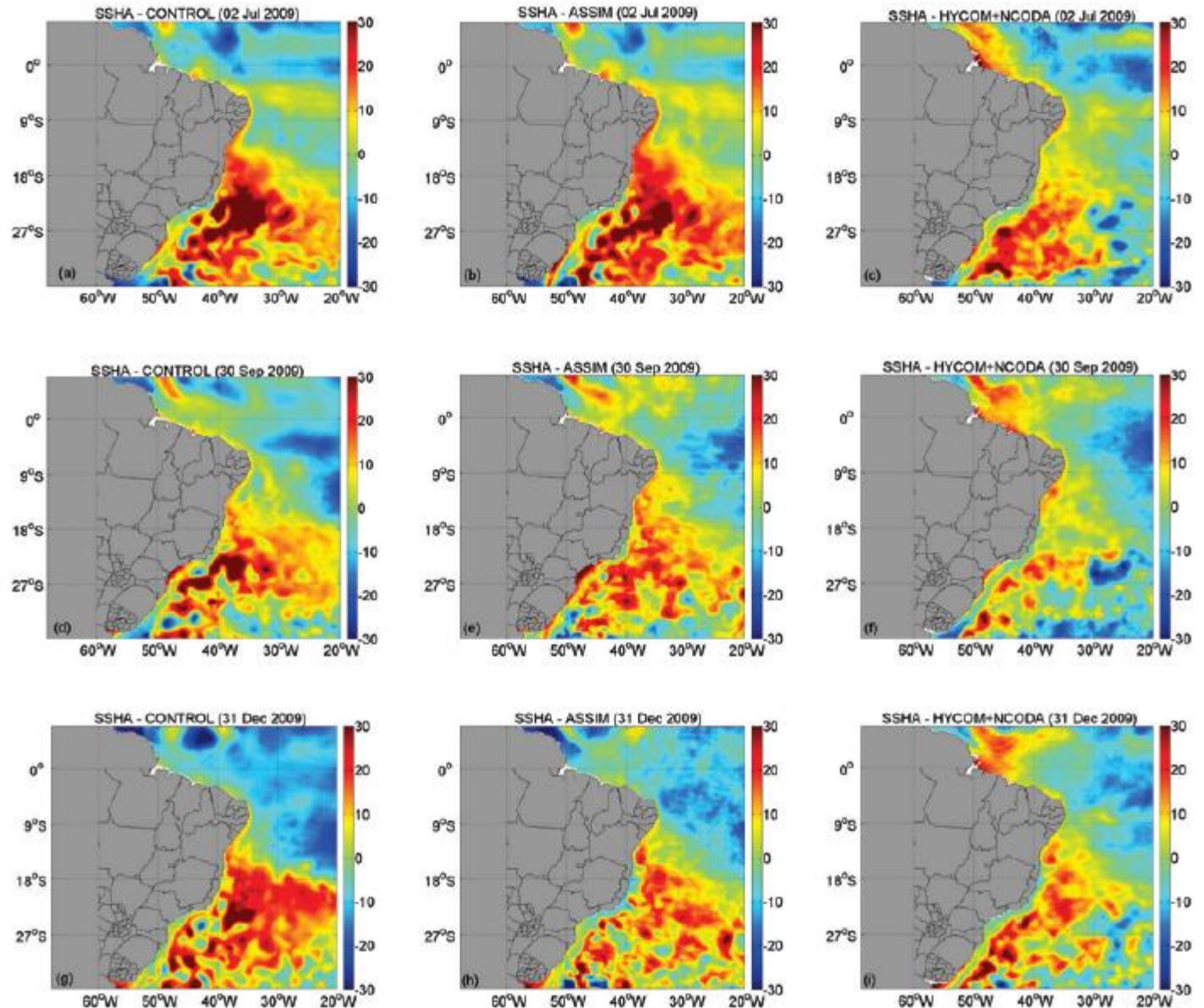
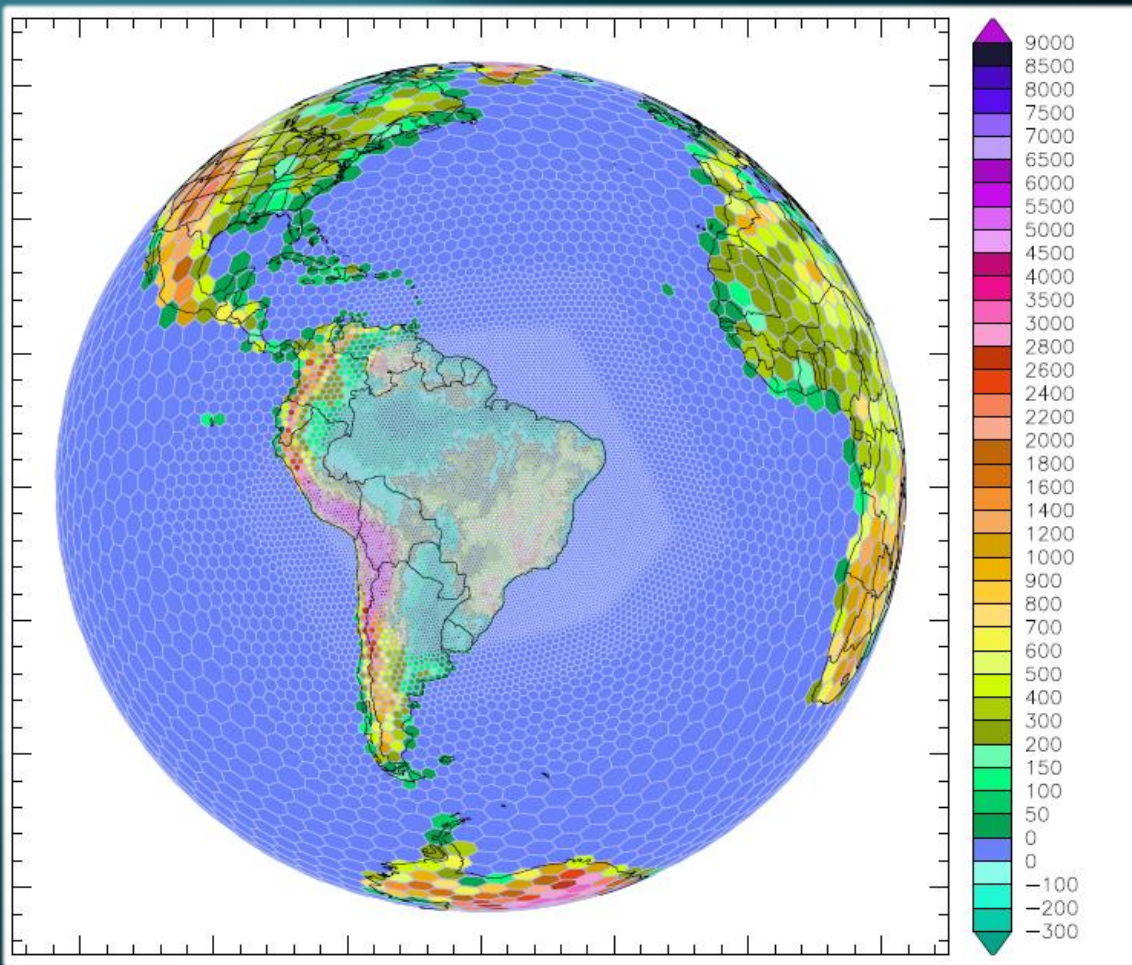


Figure 5 – SSHA (cm) anomalies with respect to area average on July 2 (first row), 30 September 30 (second row) and December 31, 2009 (third row) produced by the control run (first column), the assimilation run (second column) and the HYCOM+NCODA analysis (third column).



# OLAM – Ocean Land Atmosphere Model

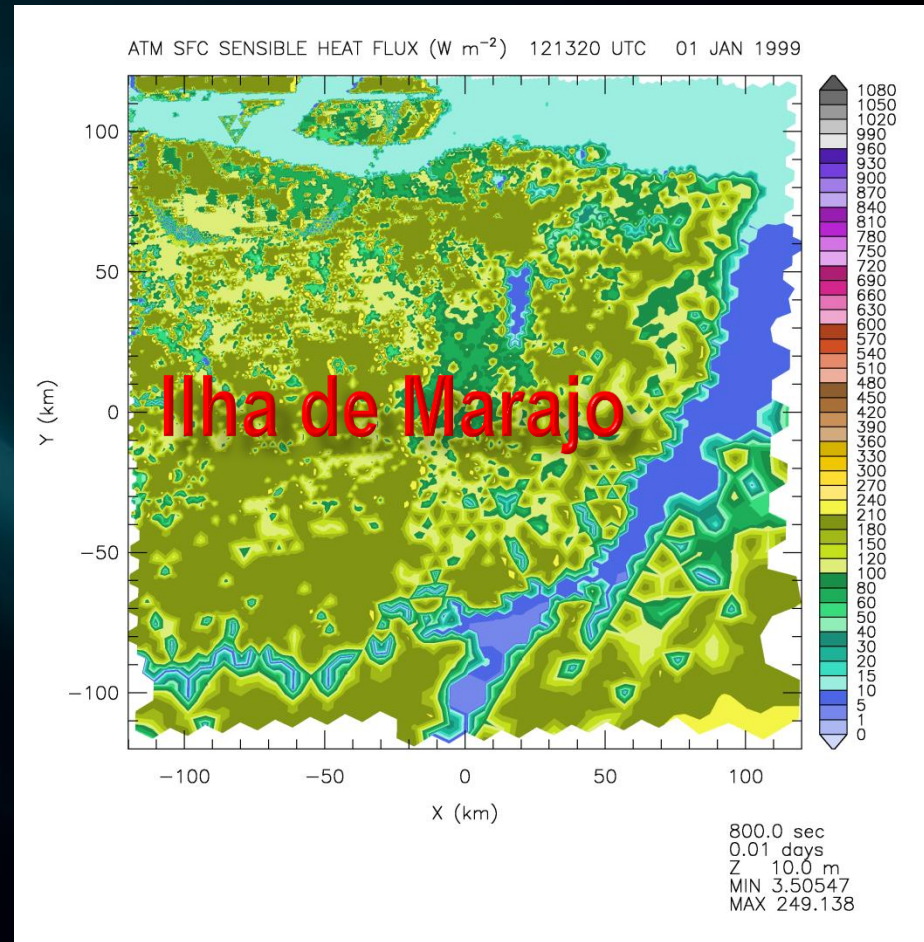
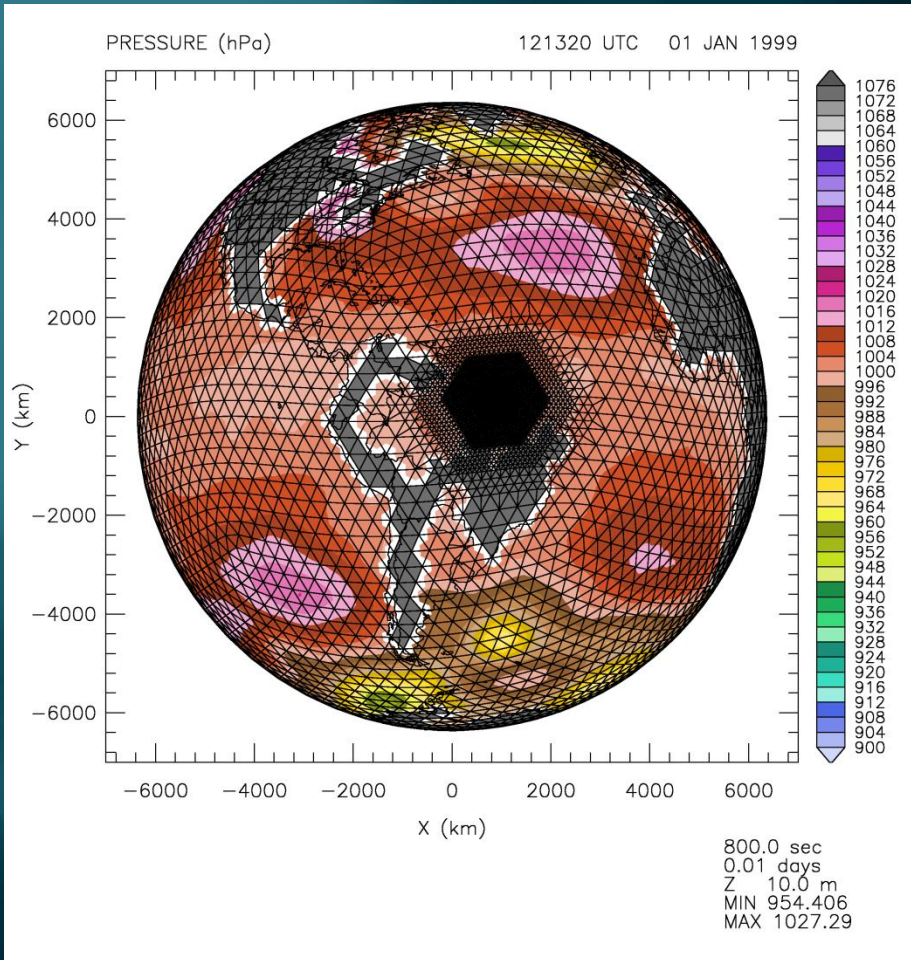


**Topography, grid structure and grid refinement.**

- \* **OLAM** – is an evolution of the regional RAMS model.
- \* It is capable now to represent the global domain with a regional **grid refinement** (Walko & Avissar, 2008).
- \* The grids can have triangular or hexagonal grid cells.
- \* **Vertical shaved** coordinate.
- \* It uses the **finite volume** approach to integrate the Navier-Stokes equations.



# OLAM 10 Grades (G10 400 m)

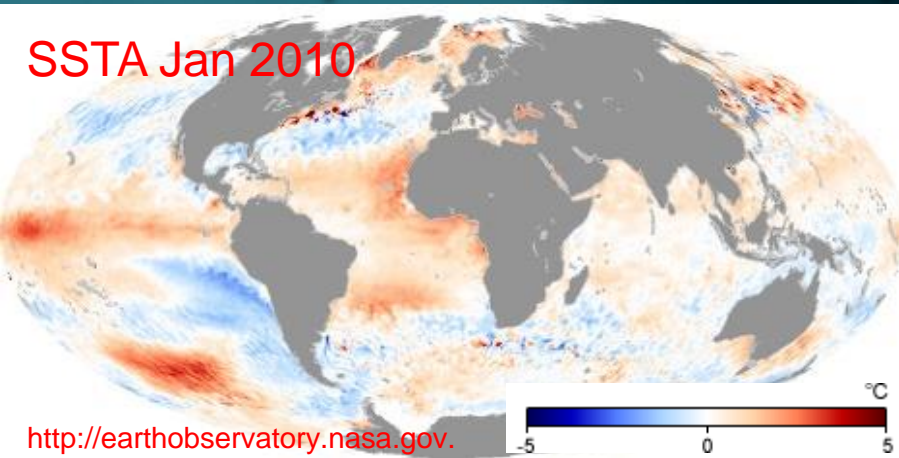


~ 200km 100km 50km 25km 12.5 6.3 3.1 1.6 800m 400 m

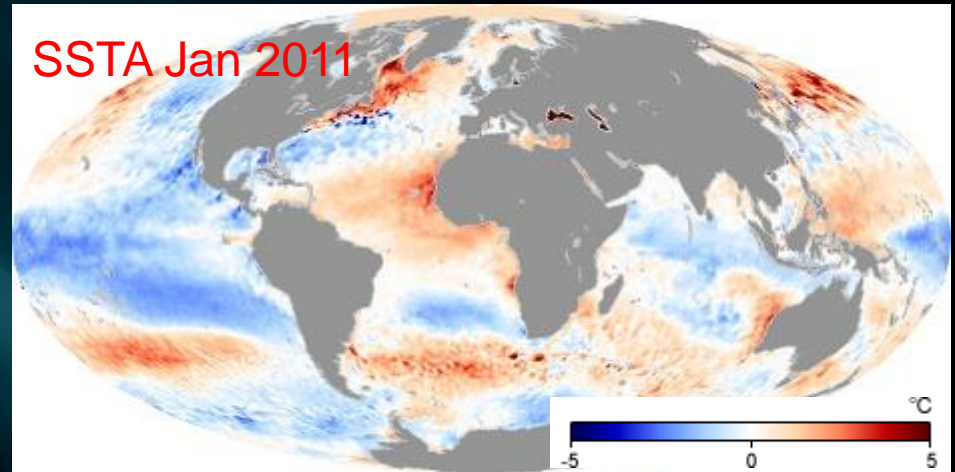
# OLAM - Regional seasonal predictability for El Nino & La Nina conditions

OBS: If we get the right oceanic forecast, can we predict well the precipitation regime?

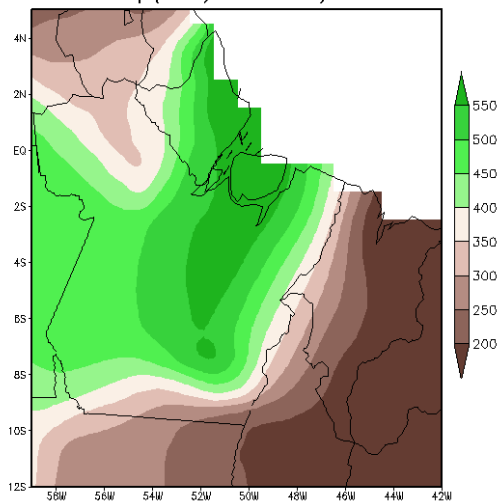
SSTA Jan 2010



SSTA Jan 2011

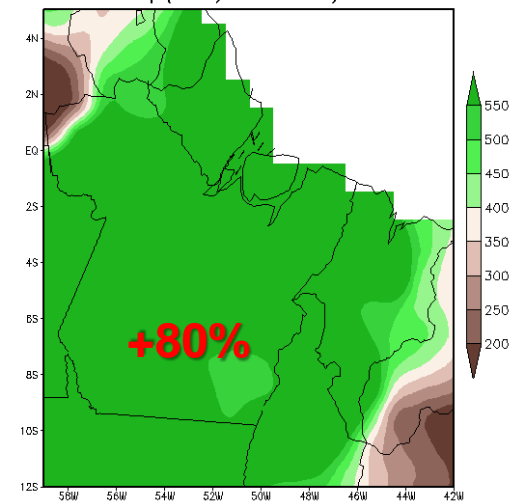


Precip(mm) Jan-Feb/2010



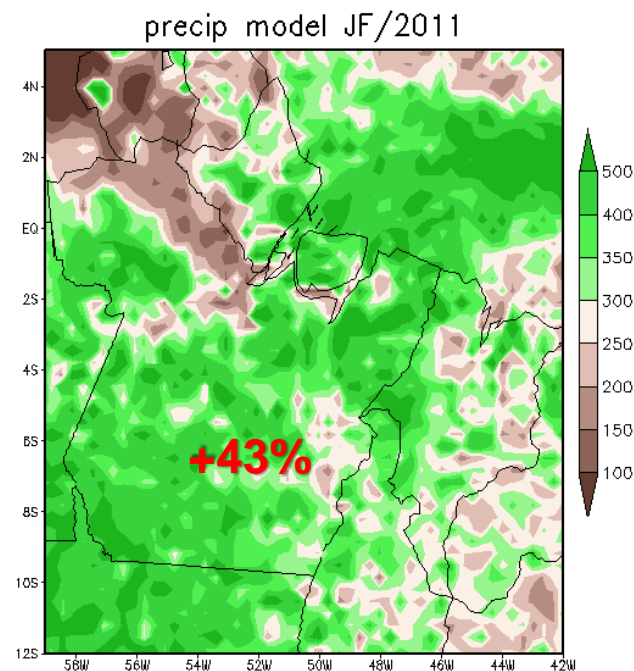
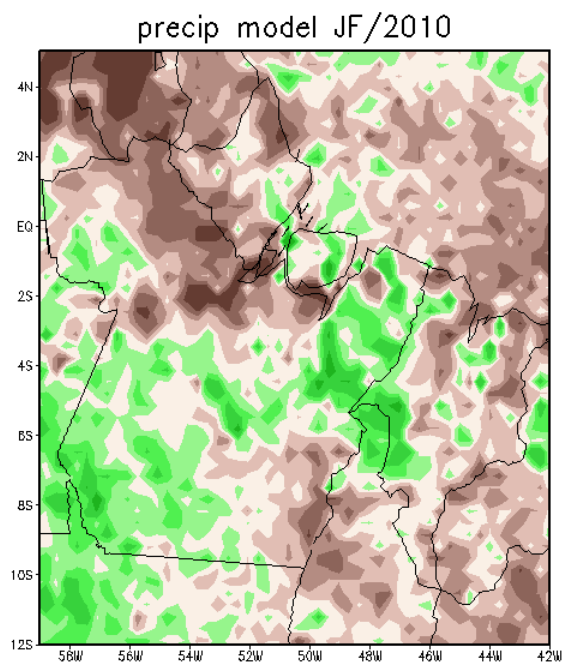
GPCP observations show 80% more precipitation in 2011 than 2010

Precip(mm) Jan-Feb/2011



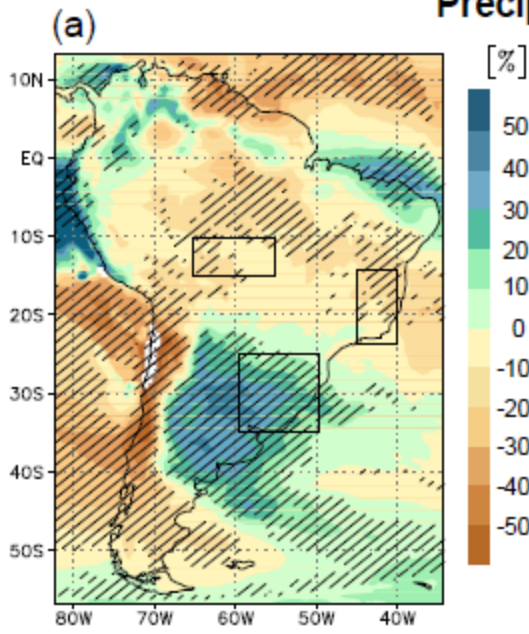


**OLAM** Numerical experiments: Jan-Feb 2010 & Jan-Feb 2011  
Grids: global  $\Delta x = 250$  km; refinement 125 km, 64 km, 32 km.  
weekly SST from NOAA-OI upgraded during the run.  
The model results show an increase (43%) on precipitation for 2011 as compared with 2010.  
OLAM is able to predict dry/wet condition (precipitation) in case the SST is well forecasted.



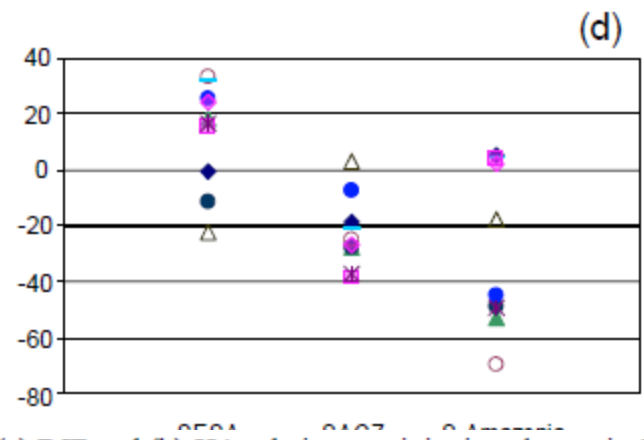
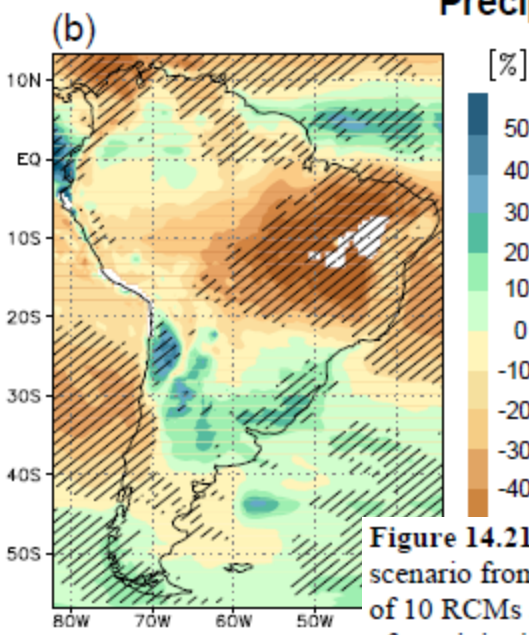


### Precipitation change A1B DJF



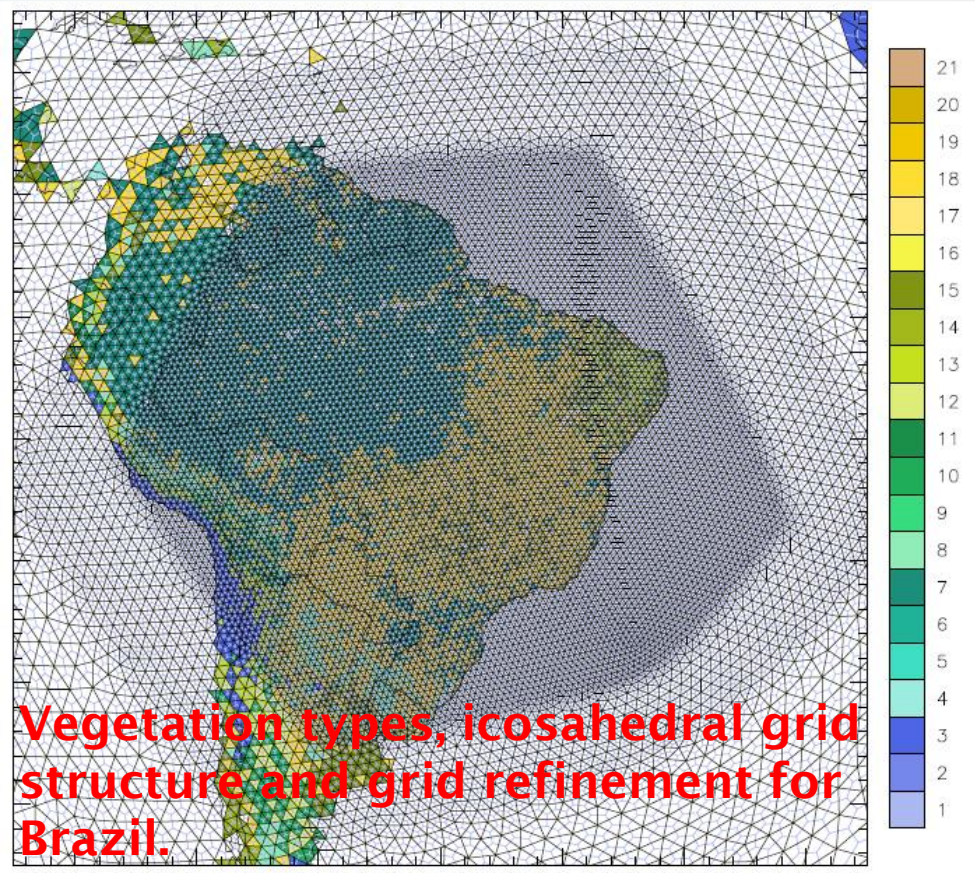
Global & Regional Climate models suggest a dry northeast and wet southeast.

### Precipitation change A1B JJA



**Figure 14.21:** (a) DJF and (b) JJA relative precipitation change in 2071–2100 with respect to 1961–1990 in the A1B scenario from an ensemble of 10 RCMs participating in the CLARIS-LPB Project. Hatching denotes areas where 8 out of 10 RCMs agree in the sign of the relative change. (c) DJF and (d) JJA dispersion among regional model projections of precipitation changes averaged over land grid points in South Eastern South America, SESA (35°S–25°S, 60°W–50°W), South Atlantic Convergence Zone, SACZ (25°S–15°S, 45°W–40°W) and Southern Amazonia (15°S–10°S, 65°W–55°W), indicated by the boxes in (a).

# ASSESSING THE IMPACTS OF GLOBAL OCEAN WARMING ON CLIMATE OVER BRAZIL WITH THE OLAM



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(UFSC) ROBERT L. WALKO (RSMAS - U OF MIAMI); &  
DARREN DREWRY (JPL, PASADENA, CA).  
AGU FALL MEETING, 2013

- ▣ OLAM model experiment design
- Global coarse cells 250 km
- Regional cells 32 km
- 45 vertical levels up to ~ 34 km
- Initial conditions NCEP/NCAR
- No nudging necessary
- Full microphysics
- Time step = 30 seconds

## Climatological Run (1960-1990)

SST boundary conditions from AMIP (*Atmospheric Modeling Intercomparison Project*)

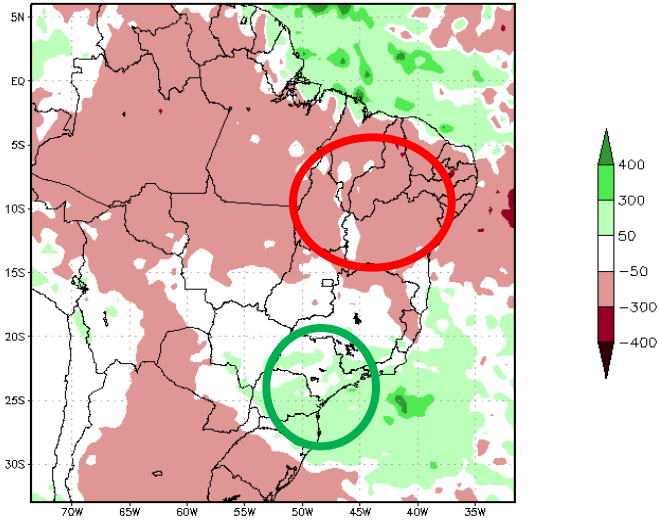
## XXI Century Run (2010-2100)

SST boundary conditions from Hadley Centre Model (A1B)



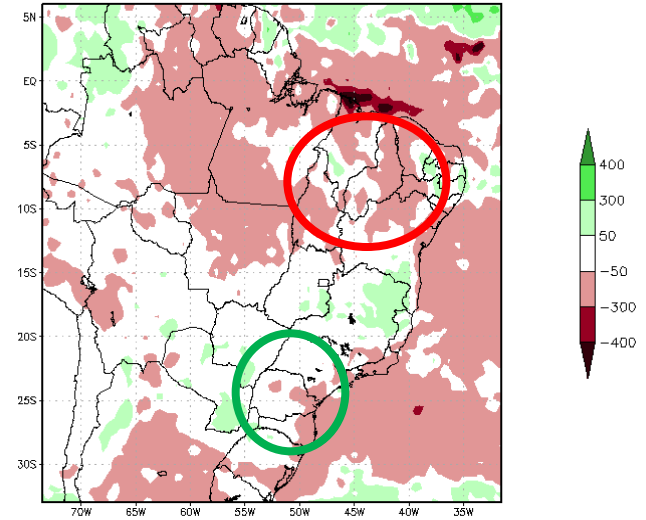
# OLAM was able to capture the El Niño & La Niña variability impacts on rainfall in the South America.

OLAM 1965 Anomalia Precip (mm/ano)

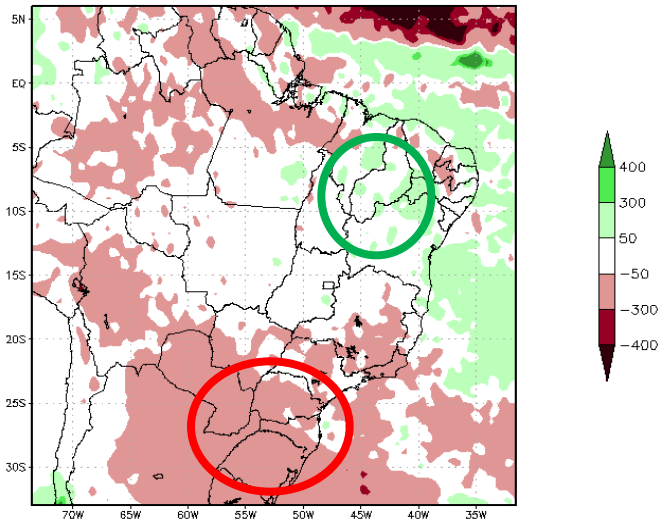


EL NIÑO  
1965, 1982

OLAM 1982 Anomalia Precip (mm/ano)

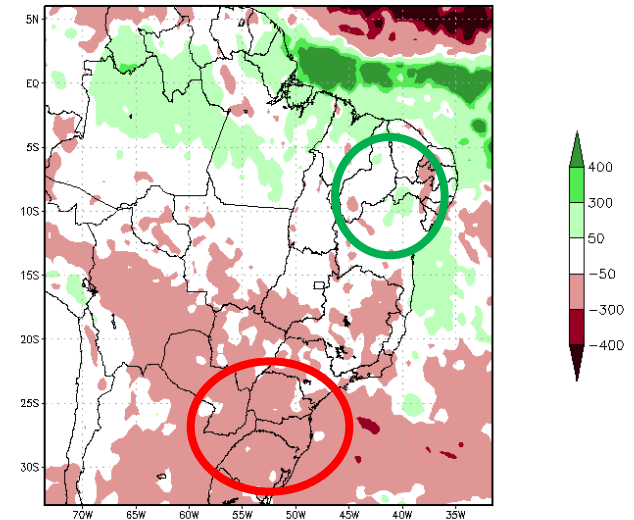


OLAM 1973 Anomalia Precip (mm/ano)



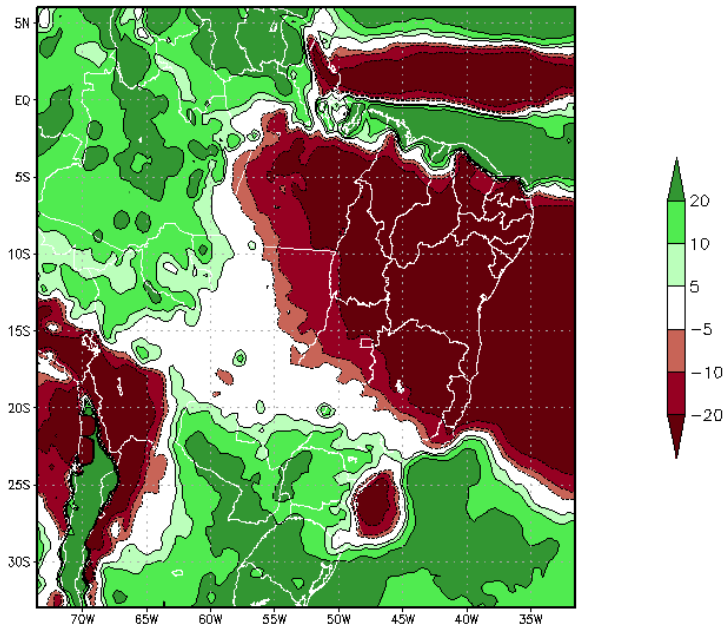
LA NIÑA  
1973, 1988

OLAM 1988 Anomalia Precip (mm/ano)



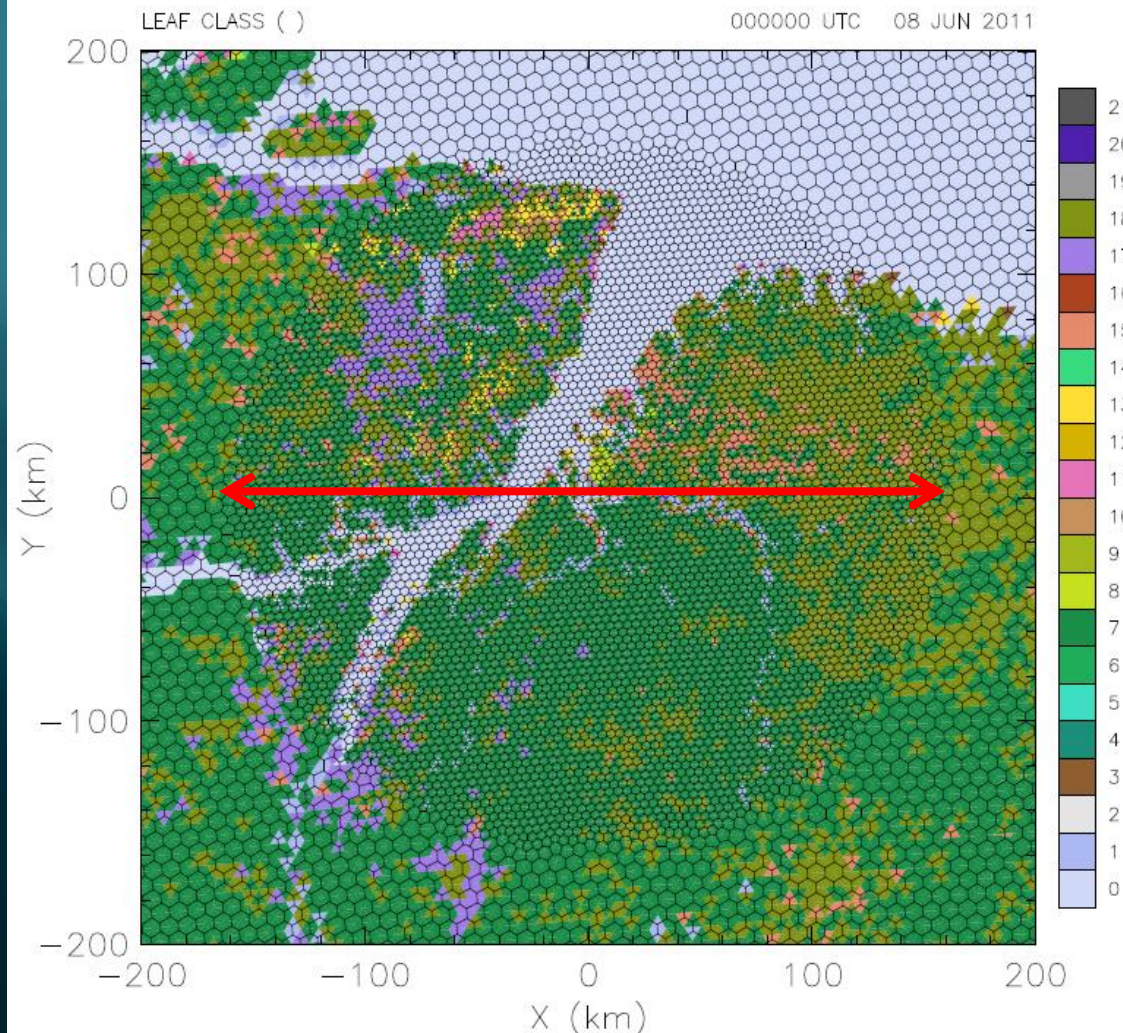
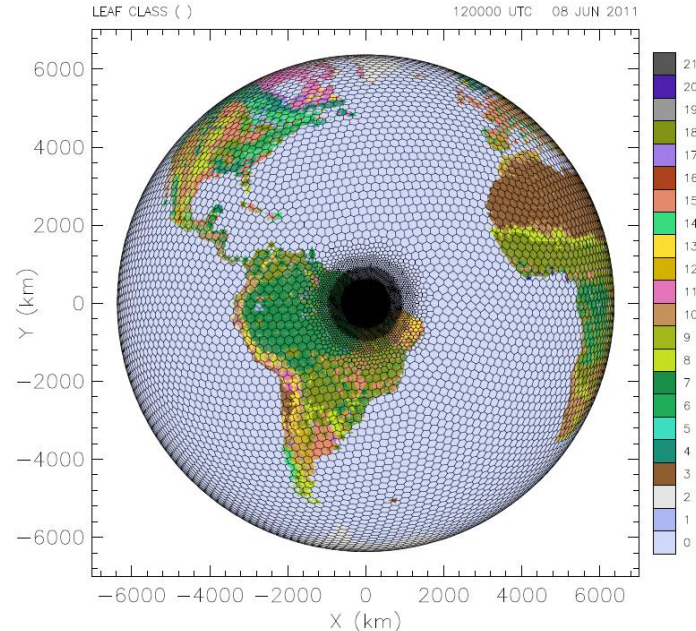
The **OLAM precipitation scenarios** for 2010-2040 suggest a decrease in precipitation over northeast Brazil, increase in some coastal areas in the north, west of the Amazon and south of South America. Near the Equator it seems that we may have a broader ITCZ. These results are comparable with the Global & regional climate models. However, we can have a more detailed approach on the estimating the potential changes.

OLAM Precip Scenario (%) 2010-2040

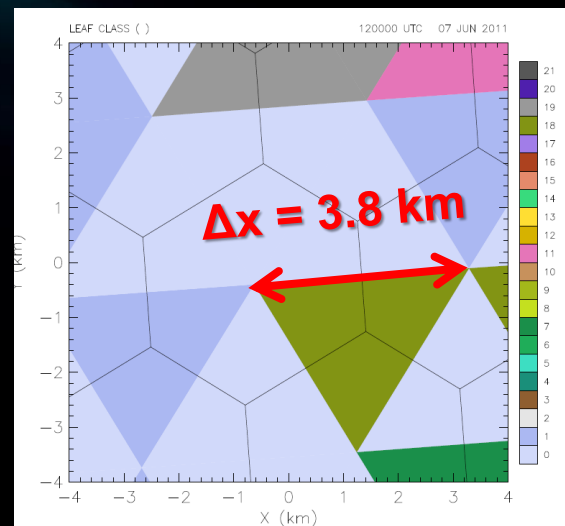




# OLAM application to the Amazon river mouth region



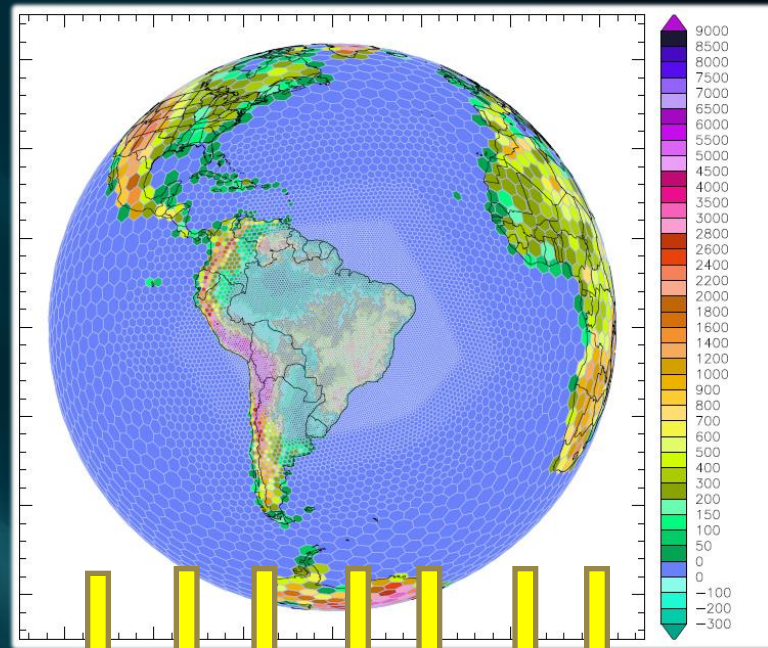
- 45 vertical levels up to ~ 34 km
- Initial conditions NCEP/NCAR
- SST weekly fields (NOAA)
- Time step = 5 seconds



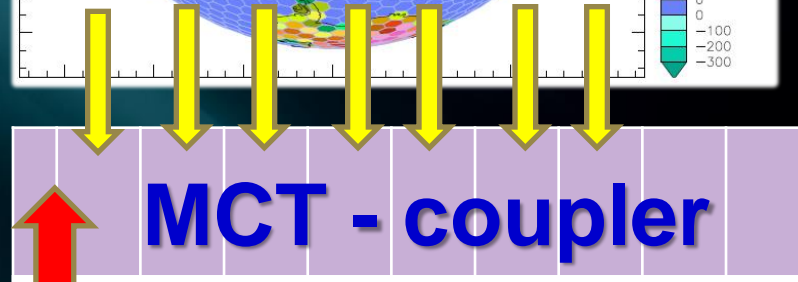
# HYCOM-OLAM coupling project (2015-2016)

Coupler = MCT  
(Argone Nat Lab)

Global HYCOM  
Global OLAM



Winds Stress  
Temperature  
Moisture  
Precipitation  
Radiation  
hourly



SST  
daily



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