2018 OMWG Winter Meeting

A New Dataset for Forcing Ocean – Sea-ice simulations: JRA55-do

Jan. 11, 2018

Who M. Kim

R. J. Small, S. Yeager, G. Danabasoglu (NCAR)

H. Tsujino, (JMA-MRI), and CLIVAR OMDP





Outline

- ✓ Description of JRA55-do (v1.3)
 - Adjustments applied to raw JRA55
 - Derived surface fluxes in comparison to those from CORE-IAF
 - Manuscript submitted to Ocean Modeling (*Tsujino et al. 2018*)
- ✓ Simulations
 - Current status of JRA55-do simulations using POP2-CICE5





- The Coordinated Ocean-ice Reference Experiments (COREs) have provided common protocols for performing ocean—sea-ice simulations.
- ✓ The forcing dataset based on *Large and Yeager (2009)*
 - CORE-I (CORE-NYF) and CORE-II (CORE-IAF)
 - Easily accessible
 - Used for a variety of research topics (e.g., NA: *Danabasoglu et al. 2014 & 2016; SO: Farneti et al. 2015 ; Sea level: Griffies et al. 2014*)
 - Widely used to evaluate ocean and sea-ice models



Why Are We Switching Forcing?

 Not been updated since 2009 largely due to discontinuity in satellite-based radiation fields

→ Not suitable for studies focusing on recent climate events (e.g., Arctic Seaice decline, and recent El Nino event)

✓ Based on NCEP, coarse resolution (~200 km/6 hourly)

→ Not ideal for high-resolution and regional simulations

- ✓ It's been a decade, time to revisit the methodologies and reference datasets
- ✓ CLIVAR OMDP decided to adopt the Japanese 55-year Reanalysis (JRA55) as the new source dataset.



A Quick JRA55-do and CORE Comparison

✓ Higher (temporally and spatially) resolution; self-consistent; near real-time

	JRA55-do (~55 km)	CORE-IAF (~200 km)	
Atm. State (T, q, U, & SLP)	JRA55 (3-hr)	NCEP (6-hr)	
Radiation (Q _{sw} & Q _{Lw})) JRA55 (3-hr)	GISS ISCCP-FD (daily)	
Precipitation	JRA55 (3-hr)	GPCP/CMAP/Serreze (monthly)	
Runoff	Suzuki et al. (2017) (JRA55-based; daily)*	Dai et al. (2009) (monthly climatology)	
Available Period	1958 - present	1948 – 2009#	
Adjustment strategy	Time-dependent (Phase I-III)	Time-invariant	

* In addition, observed solid and liquid runoffs from Greenland and Antarctica are included
Interannually varying only after 1979 and 1983 for precipitation and radiation, respectively



Adjustments

✓ Adjustments toward obs were applied to reduce biases as in CORE



 Time-dependent adjustments because of shifts in raw JRA55 due to changes in observation systems



RMS errors of 2-day forecasts of geopotential height at 500 hPa (extratropics)

Summary of Adjustments

	1958-1972	1973-1997	1998-present
T (ice)	IABP-POLSE	IABP-POLSE	IABP-POLSE
40ºN	Addition of "anomaly" of CORE relat to adjusted JRA-55 T&q	ive Smoothing T&q in tl	ne marginal sea ice region
T&q	Ensemble mean of Reanalyses	Ensemble mean of Reanalyses	Ensemble mean of Reanalyses
Wind Speed	SSMI	SSMI	QuikSCAT
Wind direc	QuikSCAT	QuikSCAT	QuikSCAT
Rad	CERES-EBAF	CERES-EBAF	CERES-EBAF
Prec	CORE (GPCP/CMAP/Serreze)	CORE (GPCP/CMAP/Serreze)	CORE (GPCP/CMAP/Serreze)
50ºS	Addition of "anomaly" of CORE relat to adjusted JRA-55 T&q	ve Smoothing T&q in th Cut-off of extrem	e marginal sea ice region, nely low temperatures

✓ To close long-term heat and freshwater flux budget, an global adjustment is applied to downwelling radiations and precipitation, respectively.

✓ For the detailed methods of adjustments, see *Tsujino et al. (2018)*

Runoff Data

- ✓ A river-routing model (0.25^o) forced by the input runoff from the land-surface component of JRA55 (*Suzuki et al. 2017*)
- ✓ Greenland runoff: monthly climatology (1961-1990) from Bamber et al. (2012)
 - → An order higher than CORE runoff (0.028 Vs. 0.002 Sv)
- ✓ Antarctic runoff: annual mean from Depoorter et al. (2013)
 - → similar in total magnitude, but spatial distribution is different



Heat Fluxes*

* Lower boundary conditions: COBESST



Globally Averaged Heat Fluxes

Tsujino et al. (2018)



Fw Fluxes



Globally Averaged Fw Fluxes

NCAR

Long-term Mean



NCAR

OMWG Meeting, JRA55-do, Jan. 11, 2018, W. M. Kim (whokim@ucar.edu)

Implied Heat Transport



- ✓ In **CORE-II** simulations, AMOC is healthy with default setup
- ✓ In JRA55-do simulations, AMOC collapses with the same setup



✓ The AMOC collapse is ultimately related to winds





8



- ✓ Tuning: 1) increasing salinity restoring time scale
 - \rightarrow Currently 4-yr, but even 1-yr is widely used



✓ Tuning: 2) No ocean currents in flux computation

NCAR

- $\rightarrow \Delta U = U_a U_o$, but $\Delta U = U_a$ because U_a is already adjusted towards "relative" QuikSCAT
- $\rightarrow \Delta U = U_a$ doesn't help for the AMOC strength, but **do improve equatorial** current systems (see Yu-heng Tseng's talk)



- ✓ Tuning: 3) Enhancing ice-ocean drag coefficient → $\tau_{io} \sim Cd_{io}(u_i - u_o)$, increasing Cd_{io} has a similar effect as decreasing U_o
- ✓ Tuning: 4) 2-yr salt restoring, $1.5 \times Cd_{io}$, & $\Delta U = U_a$ (over the open ocean)





- ✓ Tuning: 3) Enhancing ice-ocean drag coefficient (Cd_{io}) → $\tau_{io} \sim Cd_{io}(u_i - u_o)$, increasing Cd_{io} has a similar effect as $U_o=0$
- ✓ Tuning: 4) 2-yr salt restoring, $1.5 \times Cd_{io}$, & $\Delta U = U_a$

 \rightarrow 50% Increase of Cd_{io} still within the observed range



Simulation Summary & Challenges

- ✓ AMOC in JRA55-do simulation collapses with the default setup
- ✓ Changing salinity restoring strength is easiest and justifiable
 - → 1-yr: too cold; 2-yr: AMOC still took weak
 - \rightarrow May take many (~10) cycles to obtain stable AMOC
- ✓ Increasing Cd_{io} helps to maintain healthy AMOC (combined with stronger salinity restoring)
 - \rightarrow 50% increase reasonable?
 - $\rightarrow\,$ Haven't tested in fully coupled simulations
 - → May lead to an inconsistency between forced and fully coupled configurations
- $\checkmark \Delta U = U_a$ doesn't affect the AMOC strength, but appears to improve equatorial current systems (NECC)
- ✓ Other options considered
 - → Starting from different initial conditions (default: WOA13)
 - → Going back to CESM1 setups (eg., weak deep isopycnal mixing)

Final Remarks

- JRA55-do (v1.3) is ready for use
 - $\checkmark\,$ Finer temporal and spatial resolutions than the LY09
 - $\checkmark\,$ More self-consistent than LY09 $\,$
 - ✓ Near real-time
 - ✓ Adjustments: updated reference data & time-dependent
 - ✓ Will complement/succeed LY09 for COREs/OMIP
- The description paper for the dataset (*Tsujino et al. 2018*) submitted to Ocean Modelling
- Compsets for JRA55-do will be available soon, once the model setup is finalized
- JRA55-do Repeat Year Forcing (RYF), equivalent to CORE-NYF, will be available soon

