

Evaluation of regional **ocean reanalysis datasets** for the **East Sea**

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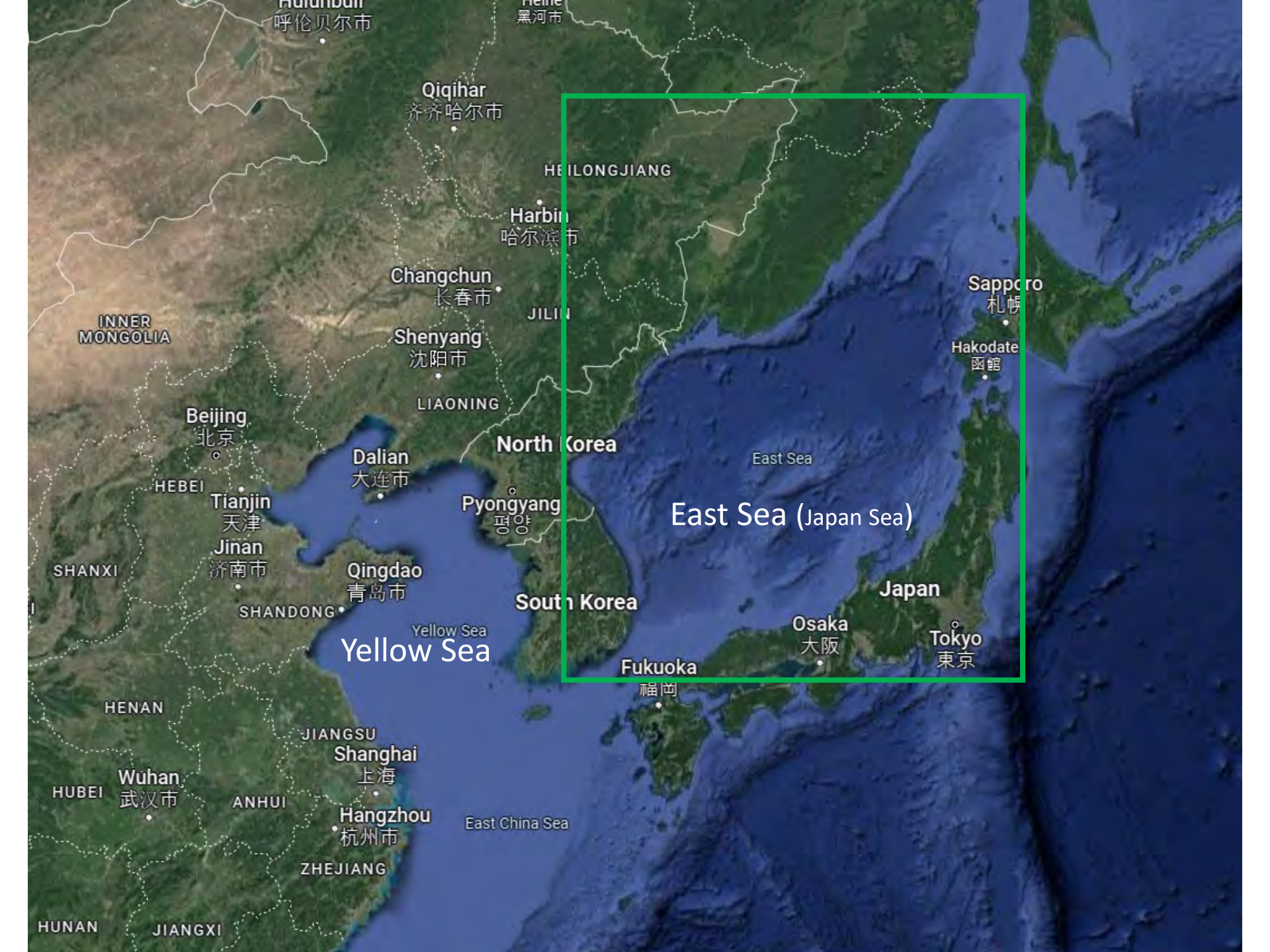
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Objectives

To evaluate and intercompare **O**cean **R**eanalysis **D**ata in the **East Sea**

To understand interannual variability of the East Sea



East Sea (Japan Sea)

Yellow Sea

East Sea

East China Sea

呼伦贝尔市

黑河市

Qiqihar
齐齐哈尔市

HEILONGJIANG

Harbin
哈尔滨市

Changchun
长春市

JILIN

Shenyang
沈阳市

LIAONING

Beijing
北京

Dalian
大连市

North Korea

Pyongyang
평양

Tianjin
天津

Jinan
济南市

Qingdao
青岛市

South Korea

Japan

Sapporo
札幌

Hakodate
函館

Osaka
大阪

Tokyo
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Fukuoka
福岡

INNER MONGOLIA

HEBEI

SHANXI

SHANDONG

HENAN

JIANGSU

Shanghai
上海

HUBEI

Wuhan
武汉市

ANHUI

Hangzhou
杭州市

ZHEJIANG

HUNAN

JIANGXI

2. Observation and Reanalysis **Data**

Data and Ocean Reanalysis

Observation Data

EN4

WOA2018

Ocean Reanalysis Data (**2001-2020**)

HYCOM

Mercator Ocean (GLORYS12v1, MOi, CMEMS)

ES3K (Korea Ocean Observing and Forecasting System, KOOFS, KHOA)

Ocean Variables used for comparison

Ocean Heat Content (OHC)

Depth of 10°C isotherm

Mixed Layer Depth (MLD)

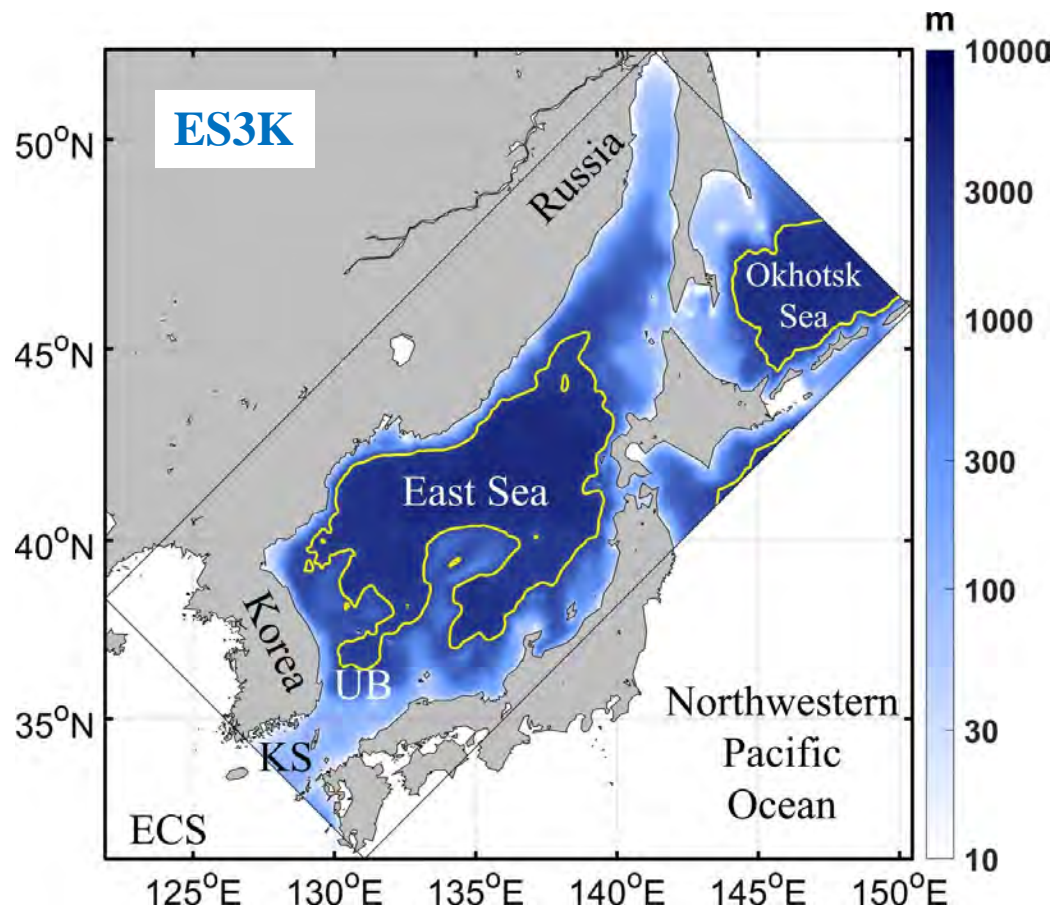
Salinity

Steric Height

Sea Level

2. Observation and Reanalysis Data

Data and Ocean Reanalysis



Model: ROMS

Horizontal grid spacing: 3 km

Vertical grids: 41 sigma layers

Assimilation: EnKF

Data: SST, T/S profiles, SLA

Period: 2001-2020

Open Boundary Data: daily HYCOM

Atmospheric forcing: ERA5 3hourly

(Korea Ocean Observing and Forecasting System, **KOOFs**, KHOA)

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Ocean Heat Content (0–500dbar) – EN4, HYCOM, Mercator, ES3K

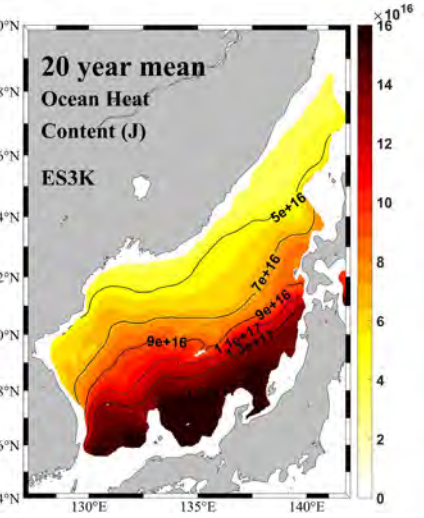
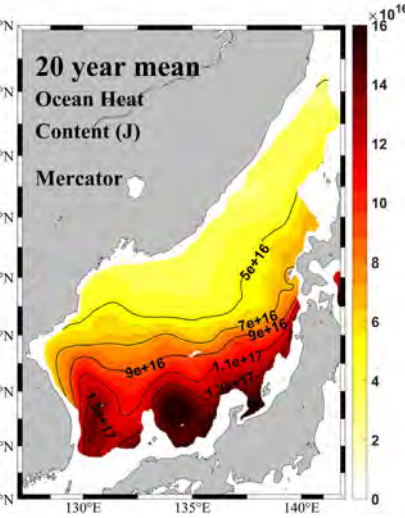
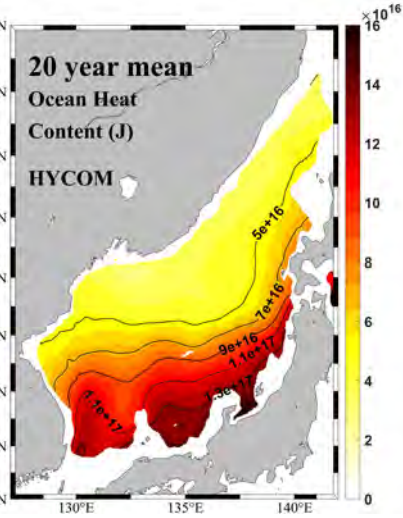
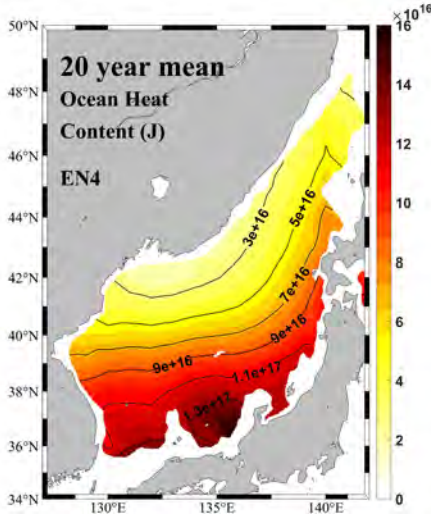
20-years mean

EN4

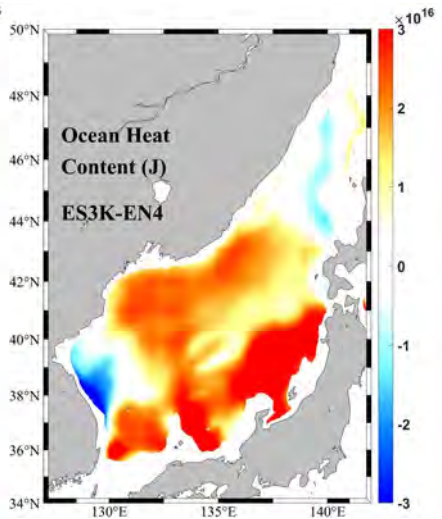
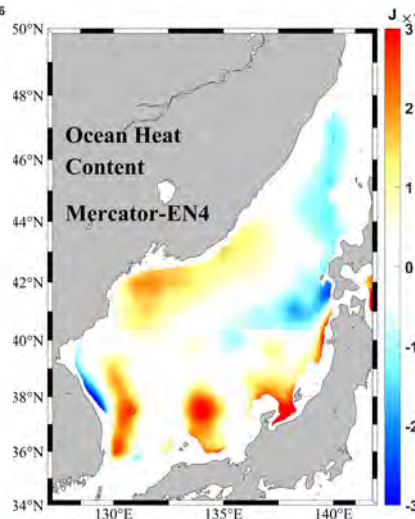
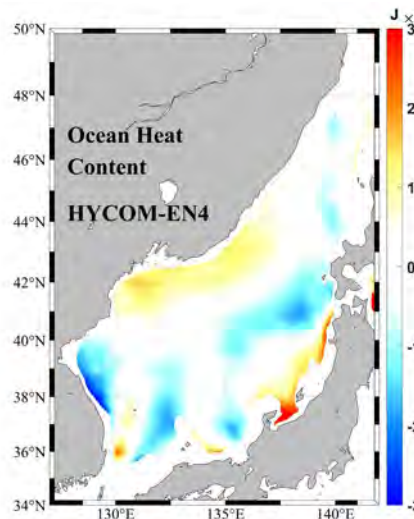
HYCOM

Mercator

ES3K



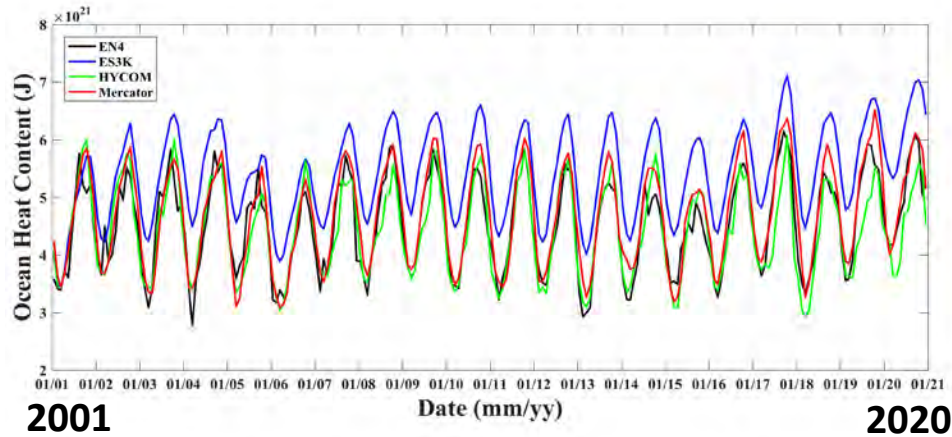
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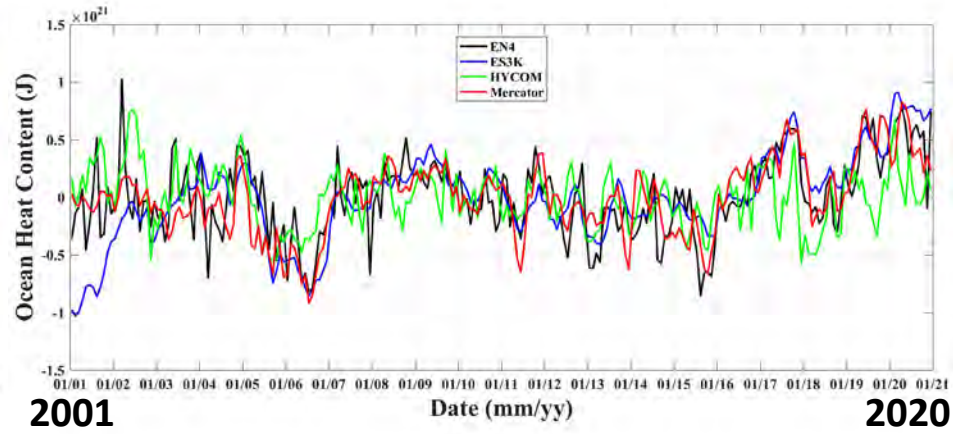
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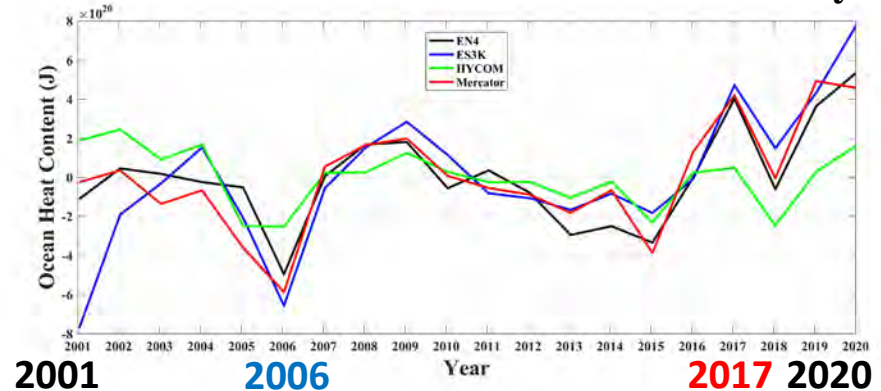
Monthly OHC



Non-seasonal variation of OHC



Variation of annual mean OHC anomaly



Monthly	ES3K	Mercator	HYCOM
R	0.91	0.94	0.89
Bias (J)	9.06×10^{20}	1.74×10^{20}	-8.76×10^{19}
RMSE (J)	9.64×10^{20}	3.42×10^{20}	3.89×10^{20}
cRMSE (J)	3.01×10^{20}	2.63×10^{20}	3.50×10^{20}

R: correlation coefficient

RMSE: root mean square error

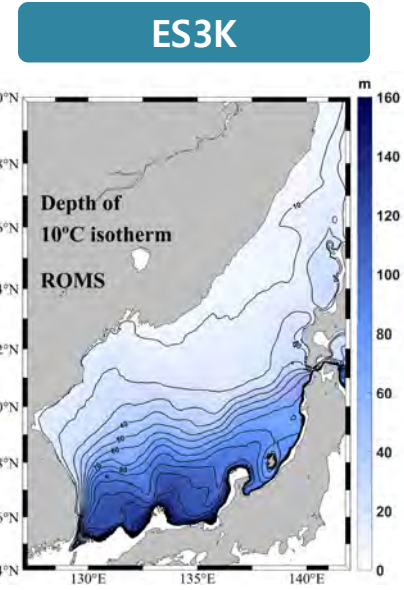
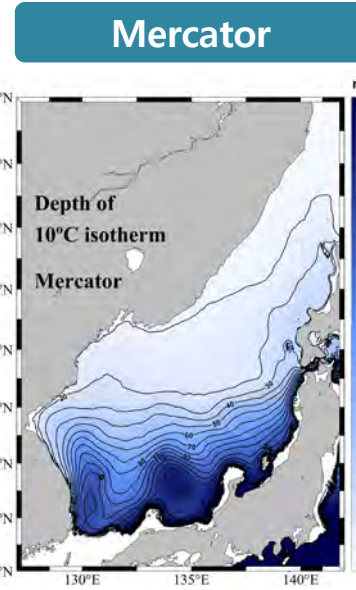
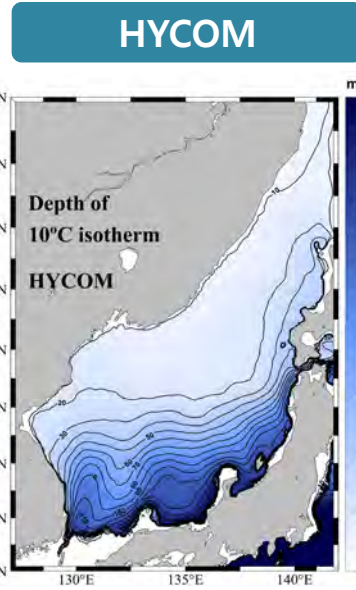
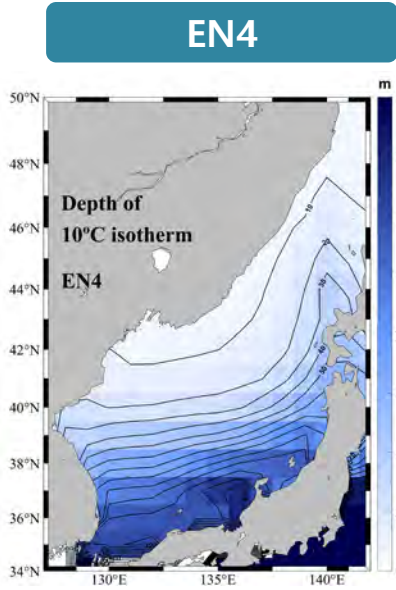
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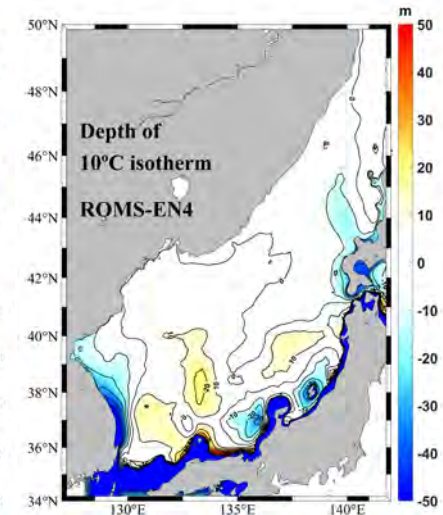
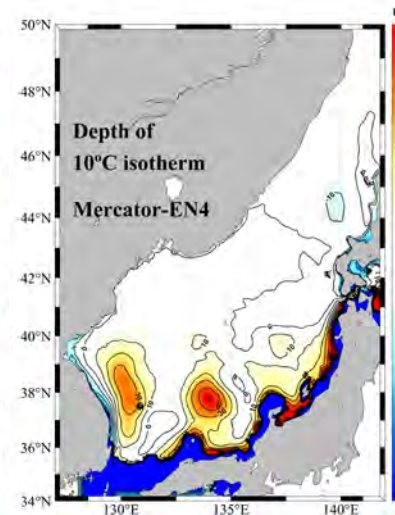
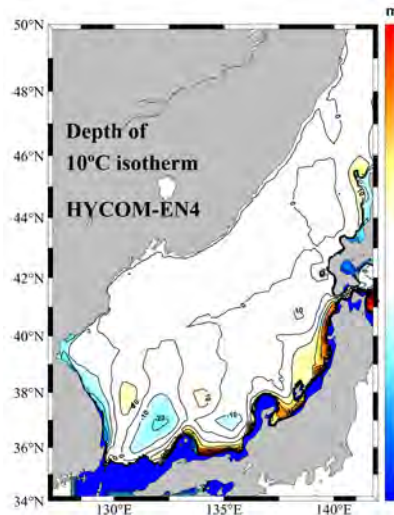
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Contour interval is 10 m.

20-years mean



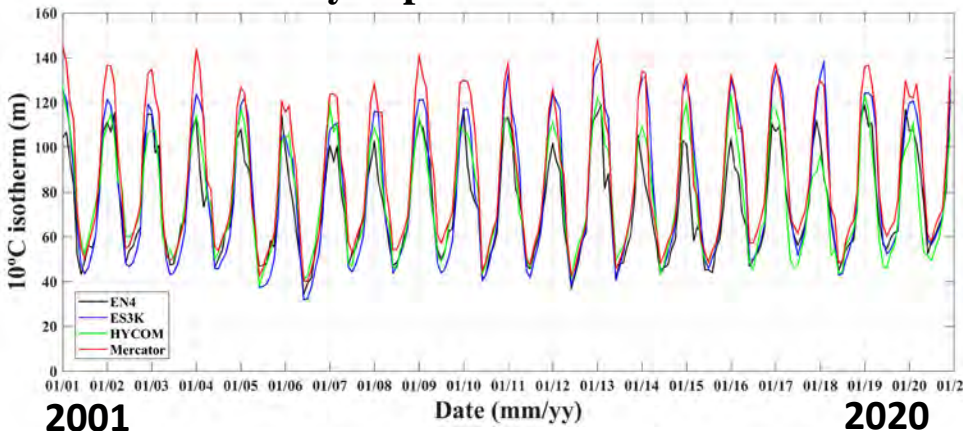
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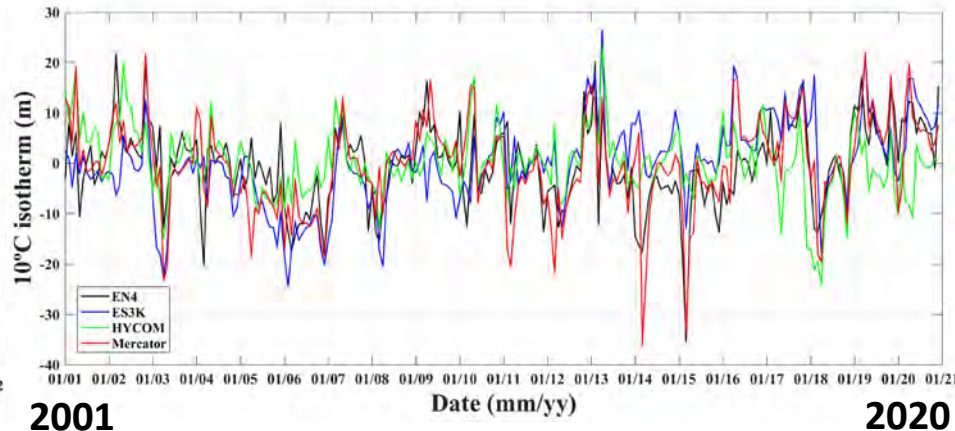
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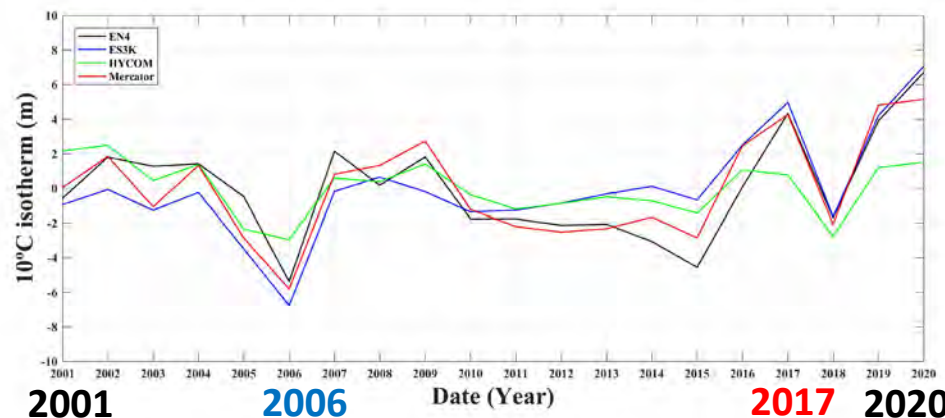
Monthly depth of 10°C isotherm



Non-seasonal variation of 10°C isotherm



Annual mean depth of 10°C isotherm anomaly



Monthly	ES3K	Mercator	HYCOM
R	0.93	0.96	0.92
Bias (m)	6.05	12.93	3.26
RMSE (m)	13.93	17.02	9.51
cRMSE (m)	8.37	6.87	8.41

R: correlation coefficient

RMSE: root mean square error

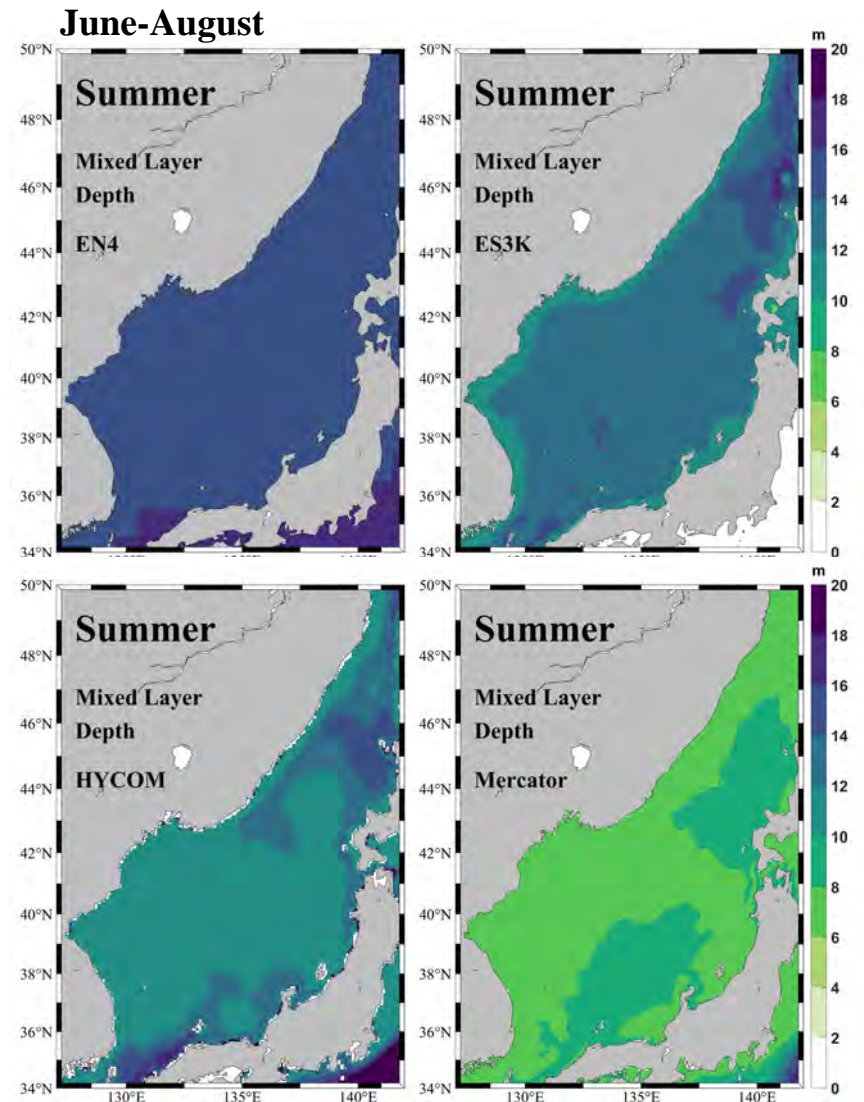
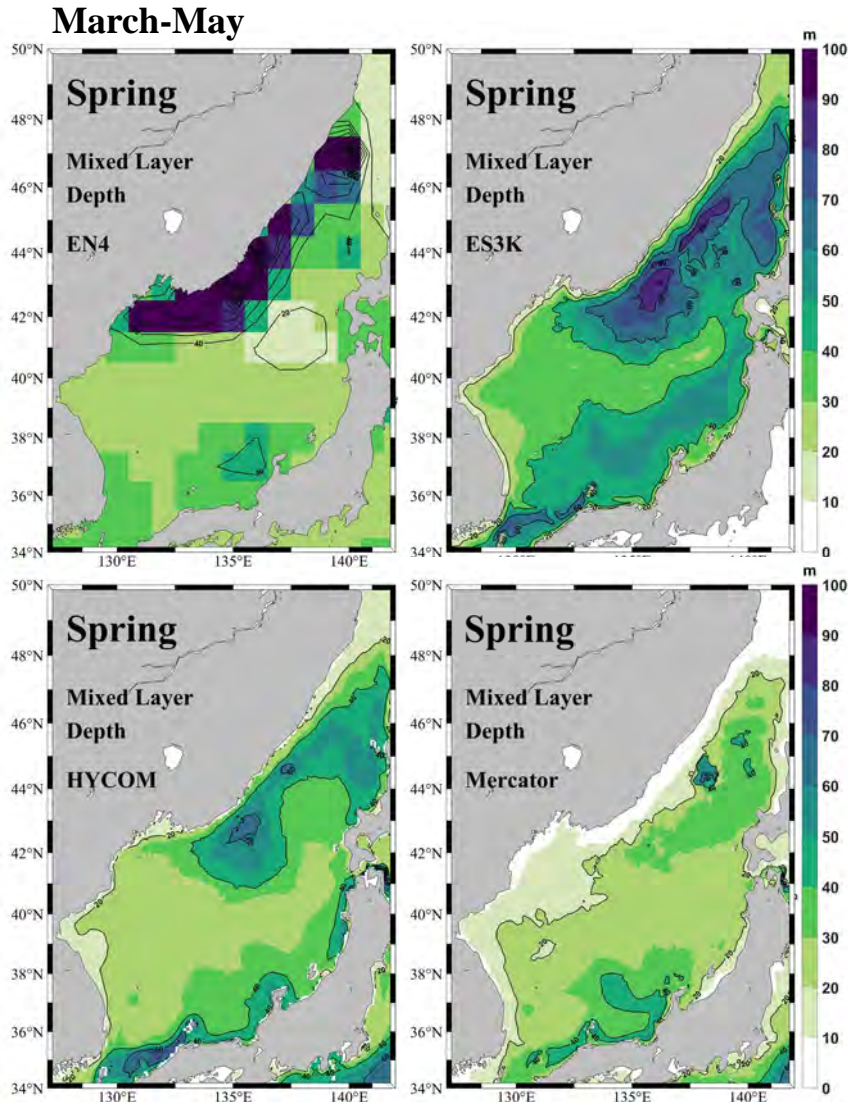
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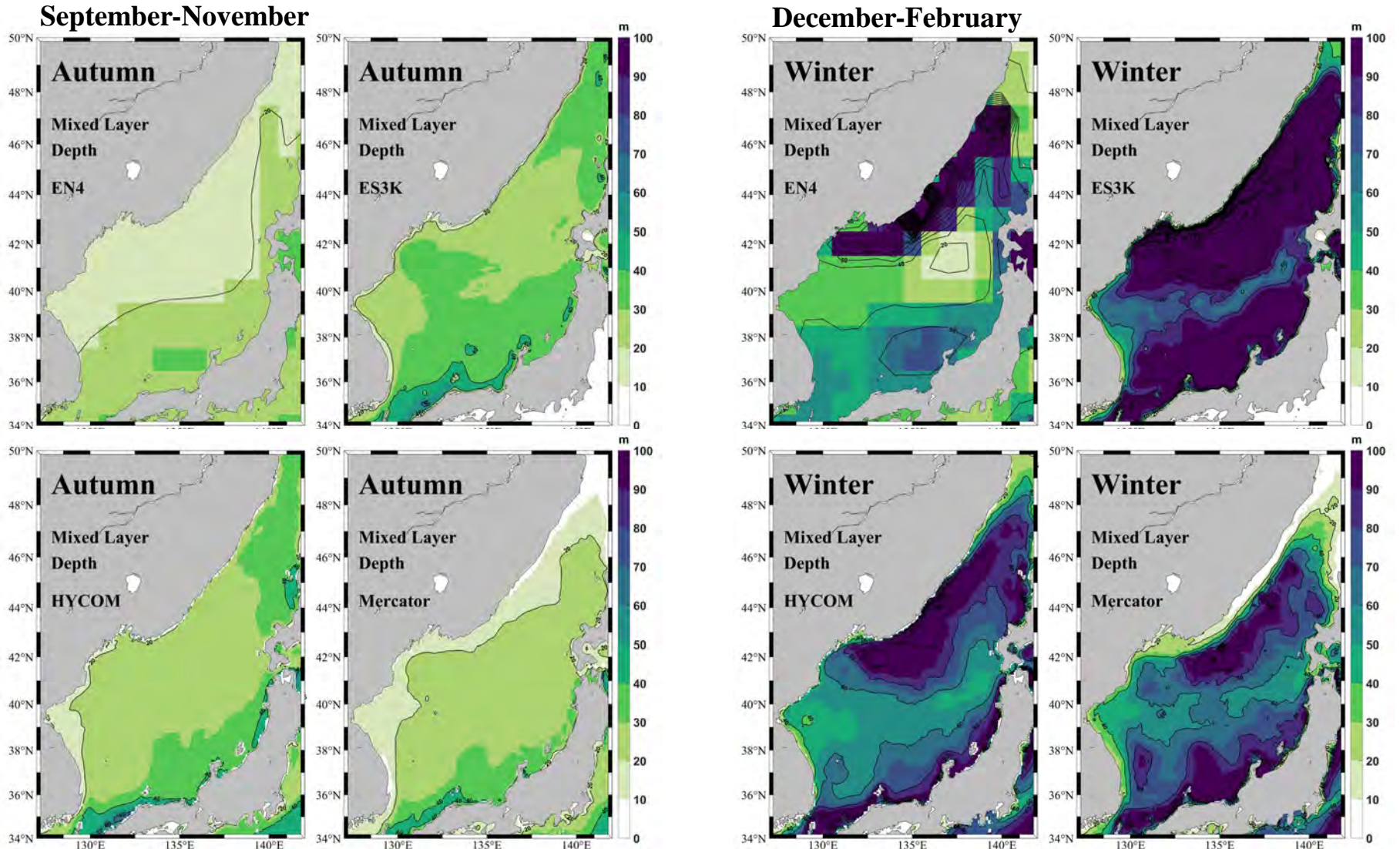


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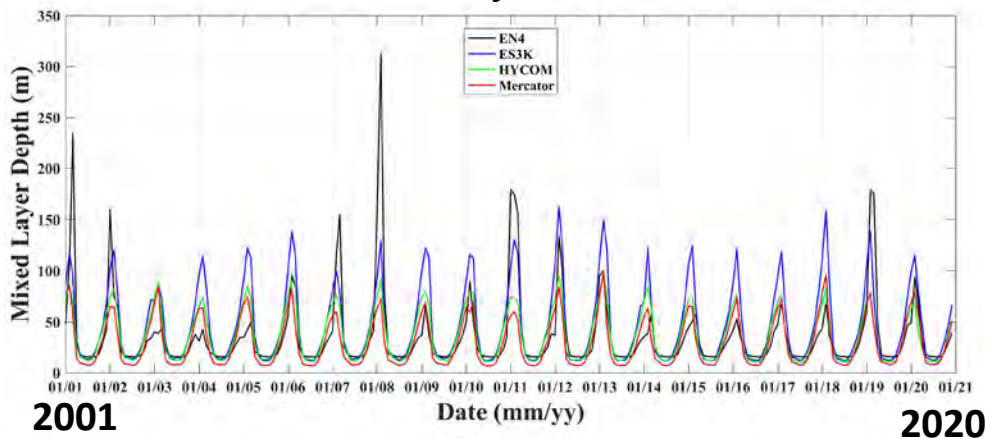
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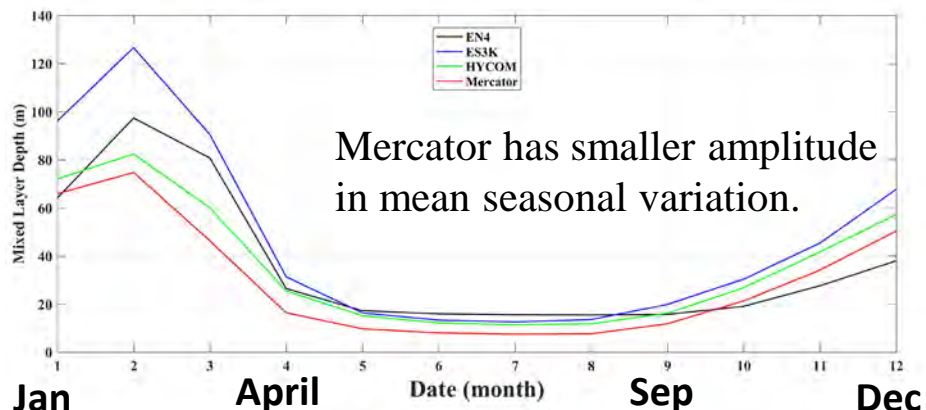
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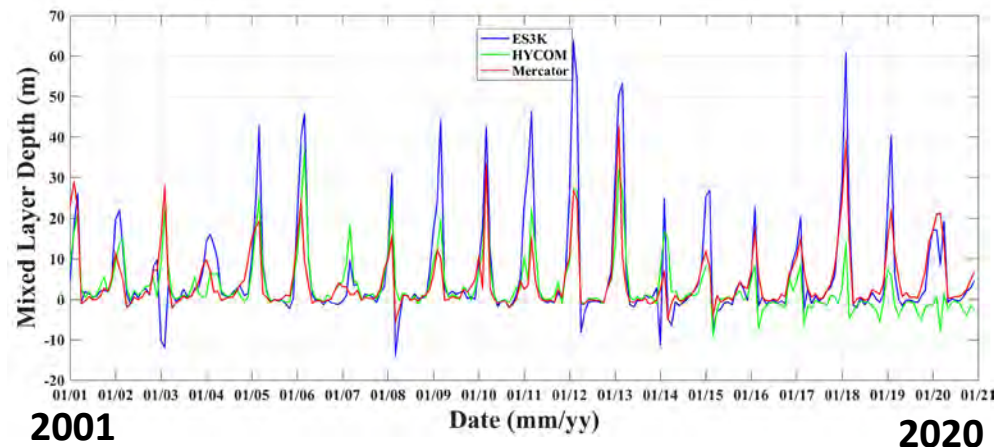
Monthly MLD



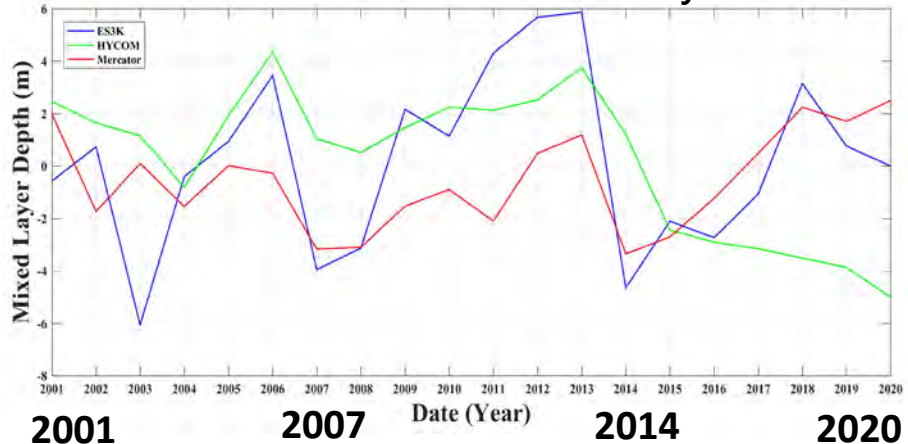
Mean Seasonal Variation of MLD



Monthly non-seasonal variation of MLD



Annual mean of MLD anomaly



Mercator and ES3K has similar interannual variability in MLD.

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Salinity (0–500dbar) – EN4, HYCOM, Mercator, ES3K

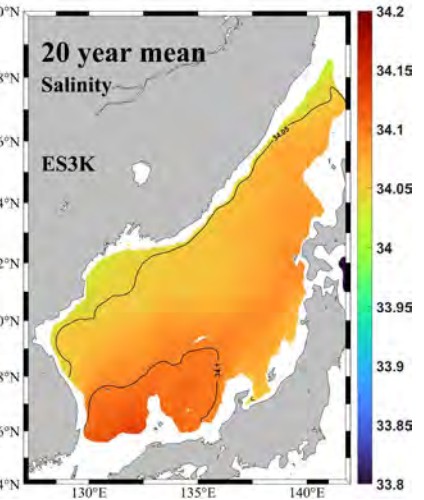
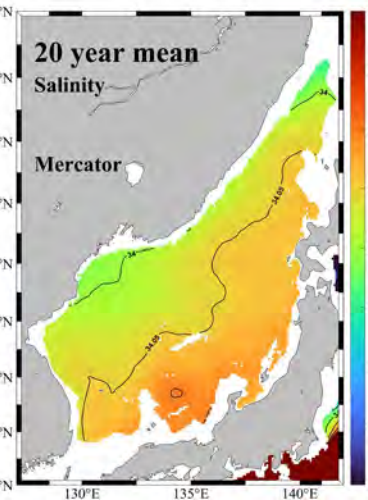
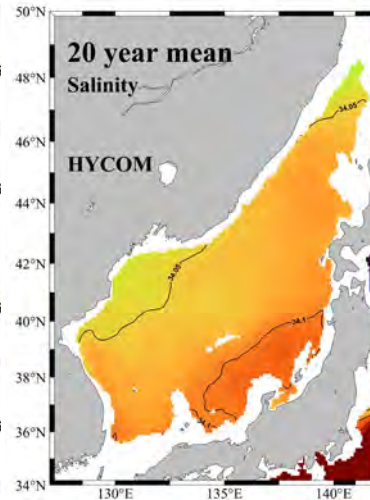
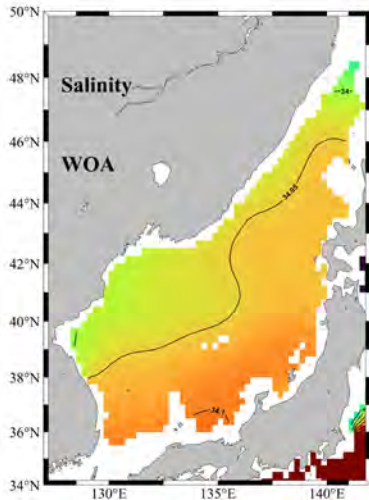
WOA2018

HYCOM

Mercator

ES3K

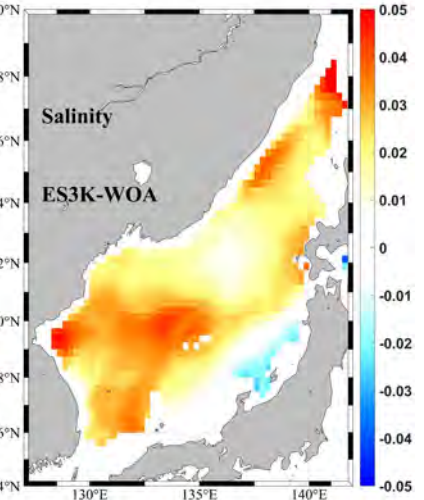
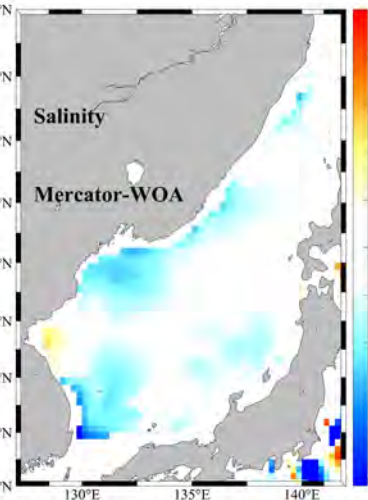
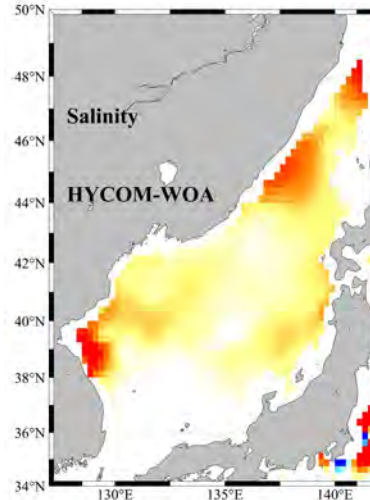
20-years mean



bias

- HYCOM and ES3K
(saline)

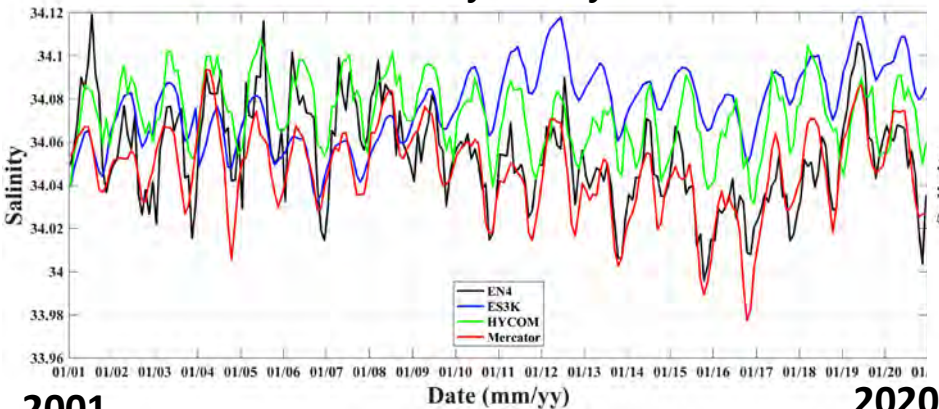
- Mercator
(fresher)



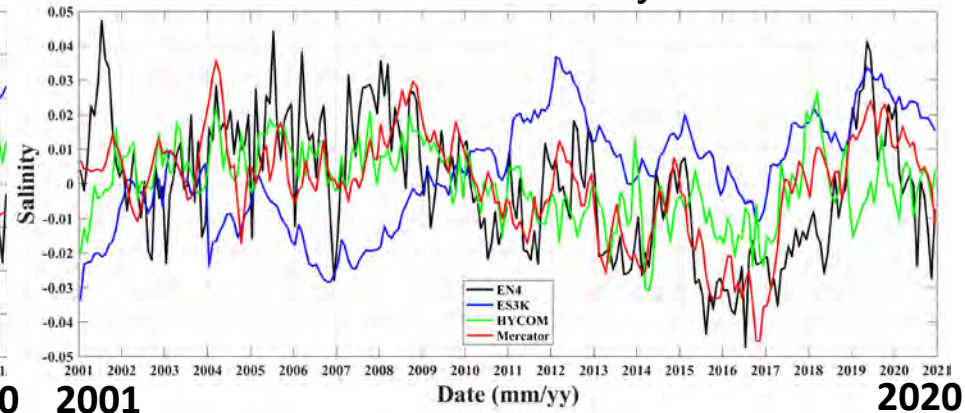
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Monthly Salinity



Non-seasonal Salinity

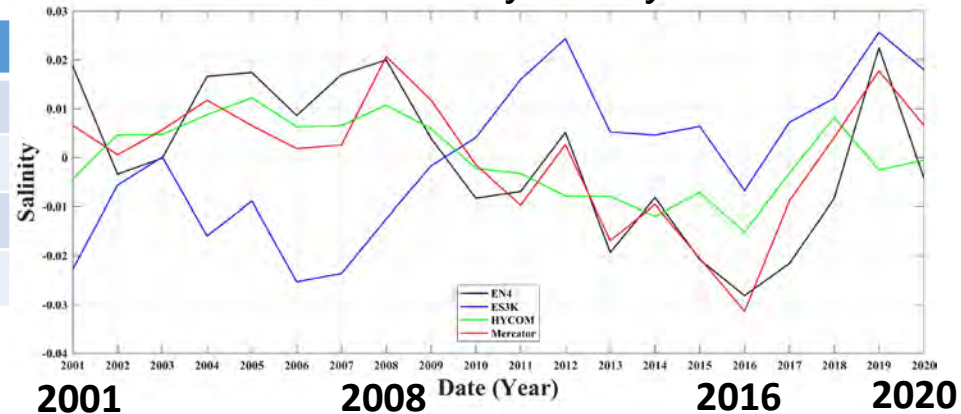


Monthly	ES3K	Mercator	HYCOM
R	0.07	0.74	0.63
Bias	0.02	-0.01	0.02
RMSE	0.03	0.02	0.03
cRMSE	0.03	0.01	0.02

R: correlation coefficient

RMSE: root mean square error

Annual Salinity anomaly



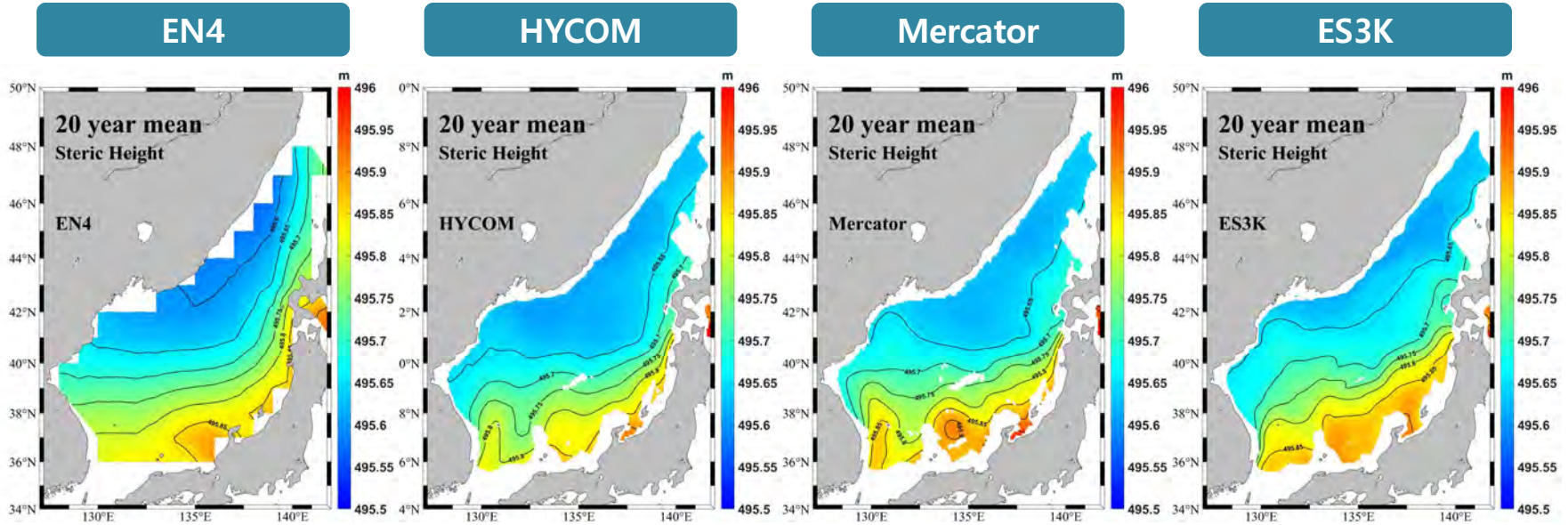
Salinity decreased from 2008 to 2016 in EN4, HYCOM, and Mercator. It recovered from 2017 to 2019.

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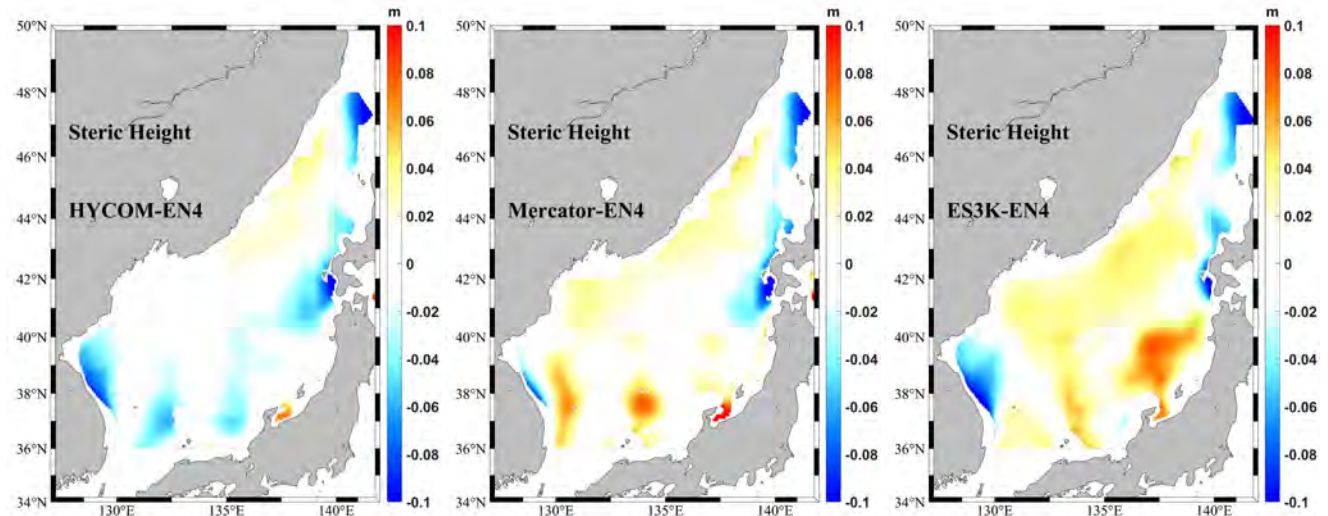
Steric Height (0–500dbar) – EN4, HYCOM, Mercator, ES3K

Contour interval is 5 cm.

20-years mean



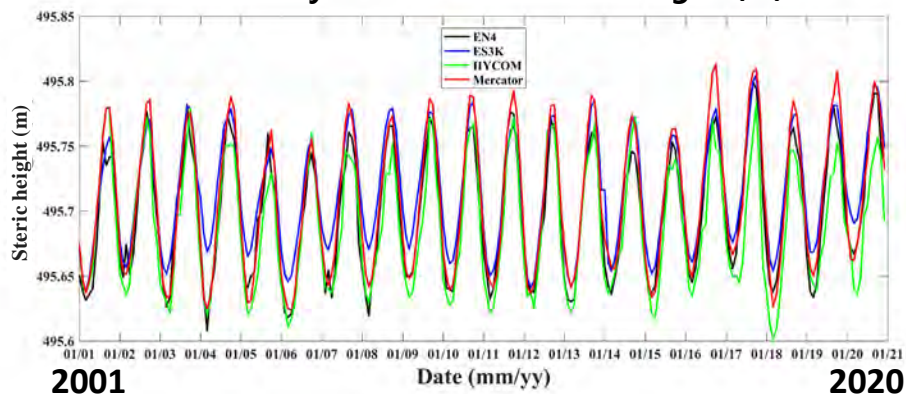
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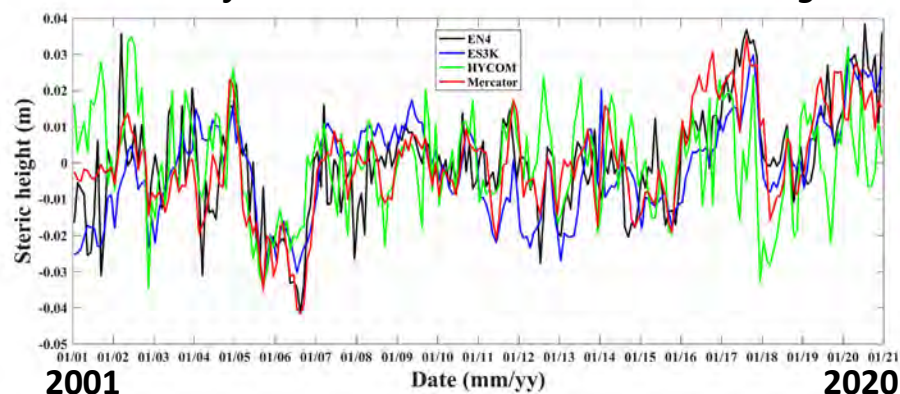
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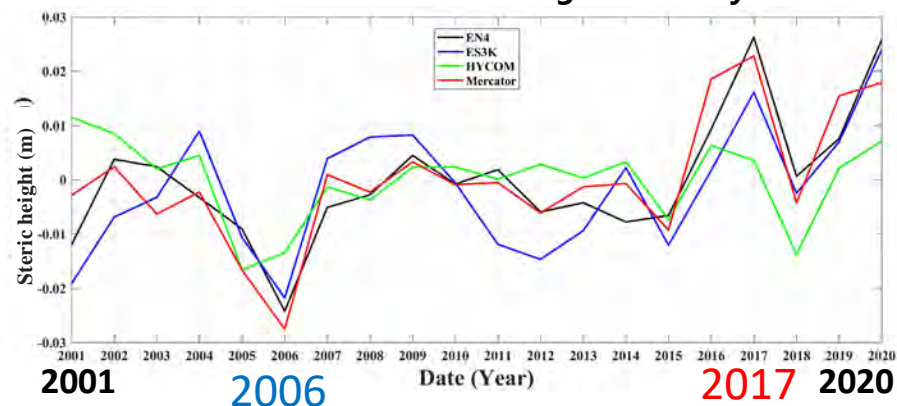
Monthly variation of Steric Height (m)



Monthly non-seasonal variation of Steric Height



Annual mean of Steric Height anomaly



Monthly	ES3K	Mercator	HYCOM
R	0.96	0.97	0.93
Bias (m)	0.02	0.01	-0.01
RMSE (m)	0.02	0.02	0.02
cRMSE (m)	0.01	0.02	0.01

R: correlation coefficient

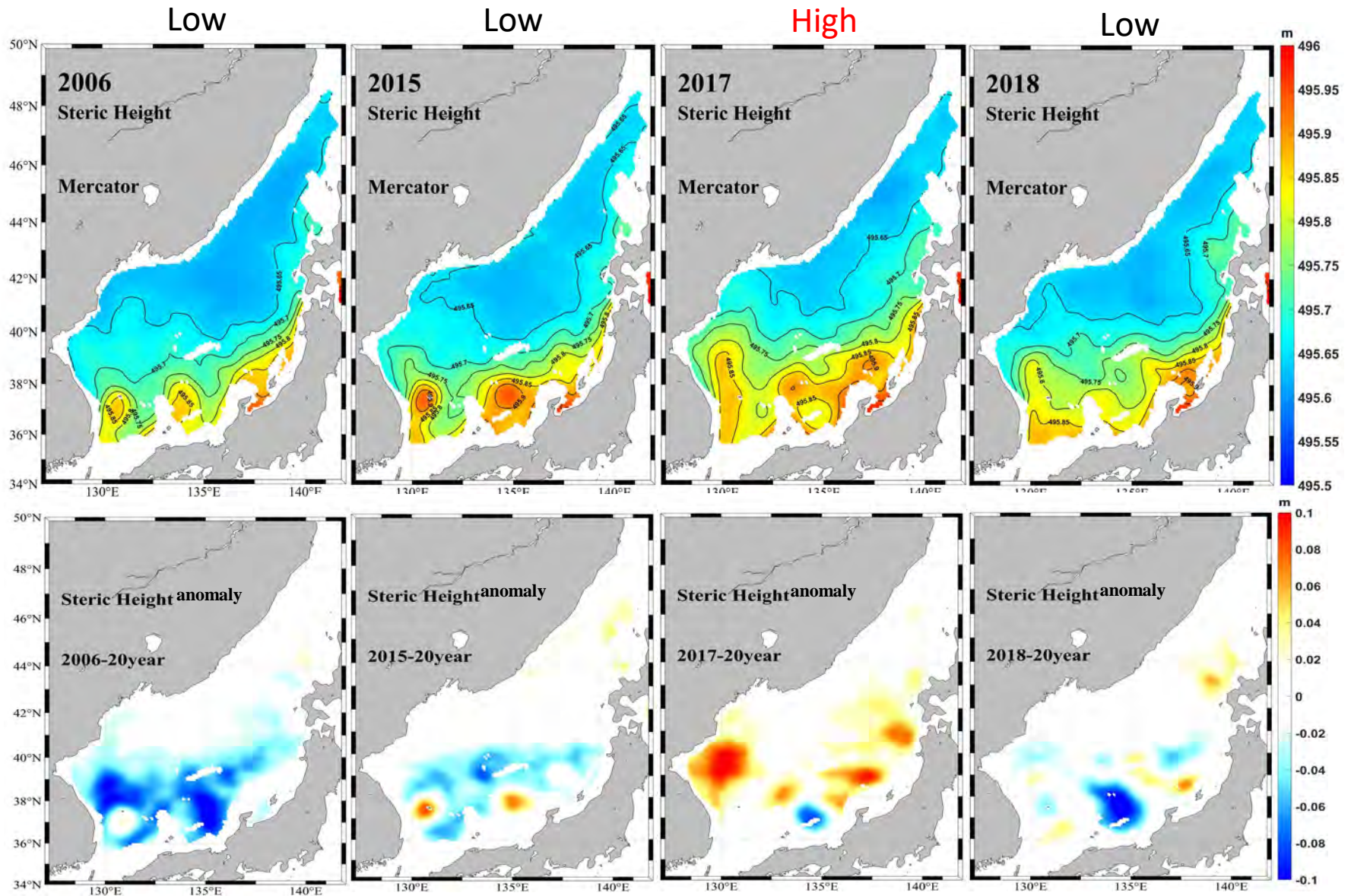
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Steric height was lower in 2006 and 2018 while it was higher in 2017 and 2020.

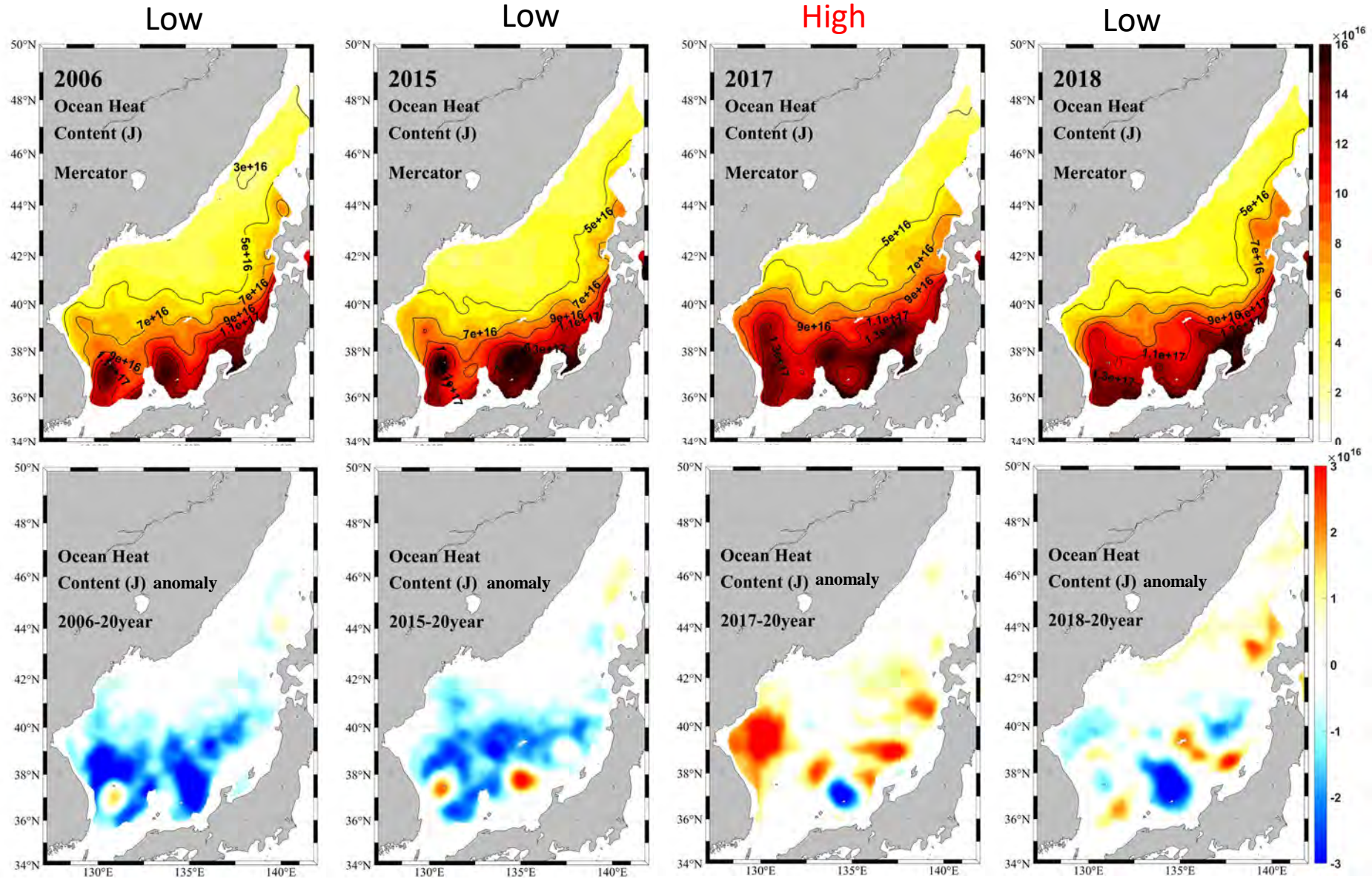
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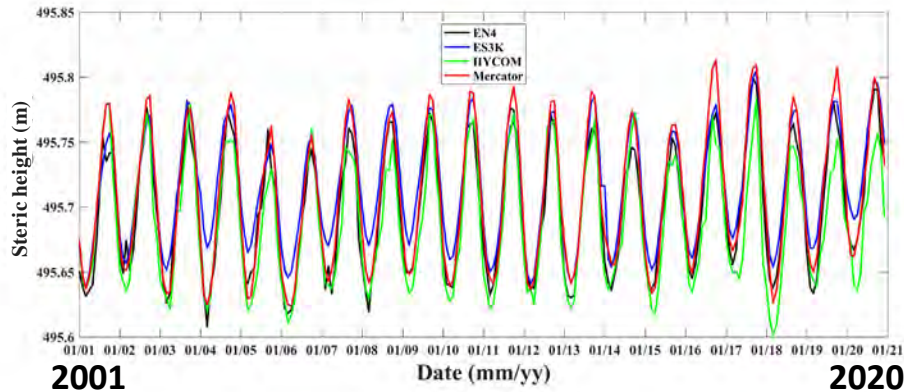
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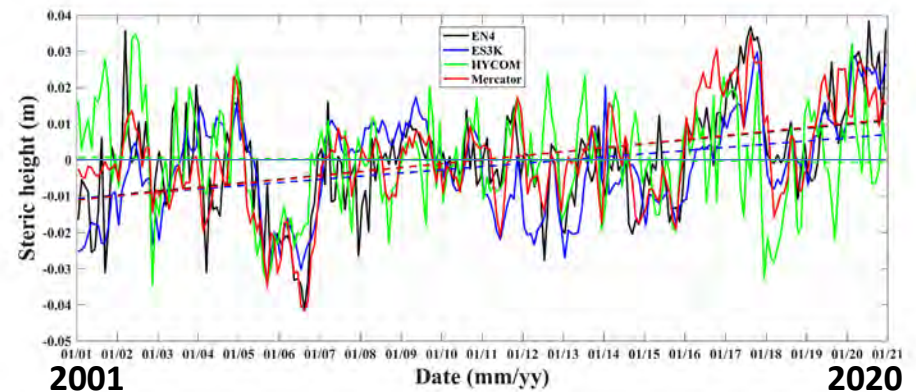
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Monthly variation of Steric Height (m)



Monthly non-seasonal variation of Steric Height



Monthly	ES3K	Mercator	HYCOM
R	0.96	0.97	0.93
Bias (m)	0.02	0.01	-0.01
RMSE (m)	0.02	0.02	0.02
cRMSE (m)	0.01	0.02	0.01

R: correlation coefficient

RMSE: root mean square error

	EN4	HYCOM	Mercator	ES3K
Linear Trend (cm/yr)	0.11	-0.01	0.11	0.09

Steric height increased approximately **2 cm** for 20 years

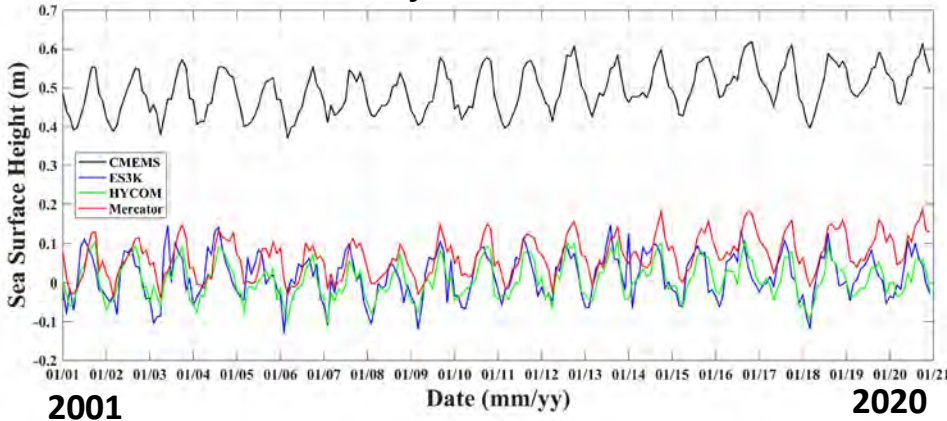
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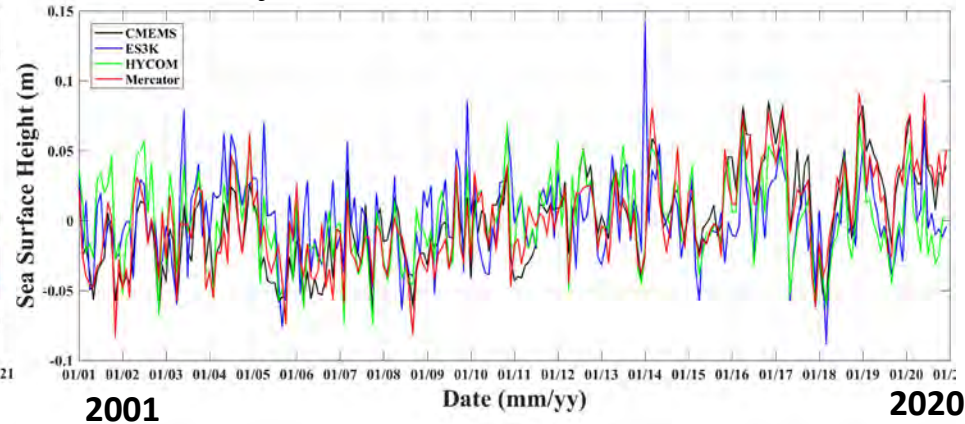
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Sea level – CMEMS, HYCOM, Mercator, ES3K

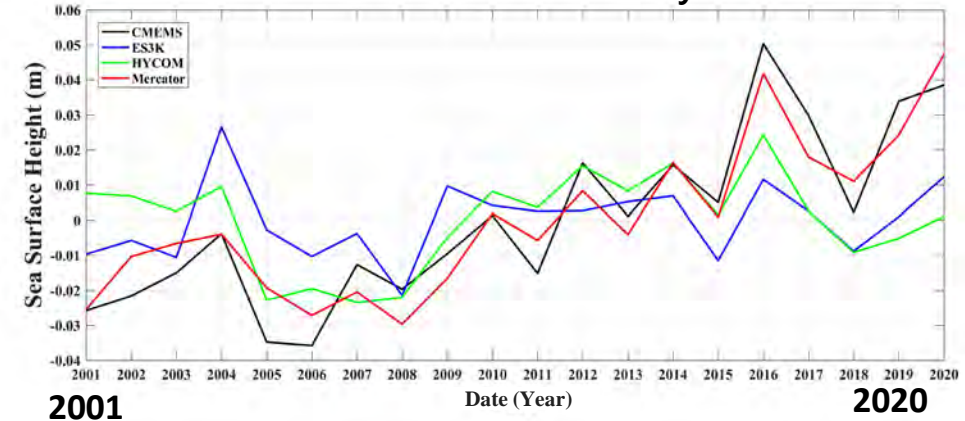
Monthly mean sea level



Monthly nonseasonal variation of sea level



Annual Sea Level anomaly



Monthly	ES3K	Mercator	HYCOM
R	0.53	0.96	0.83
cRMSE (m)	0.03	0.02	0.03

R: correlation coefficient

RMSE: root mean square error

Sea level increased from 2008 to 2016 in all reanalysis datasets. It increased from 2016 to 2020 in satellite altimeter observation and Mercator while it decreased in HYCOM and ES3K.

4. Summary

Ocean reanalysis data from **HYCOM**, **Mercator**, and **ES3K** were compared with **observation data** such as EN4 and WOA2018.

OHC: ES3K has warm bias. HYCOM has smaller interannual variability.

Depth of 10°C isotherm: Mercator has relatively deeper depths of 10°C isotherm. HYCOM has smaller interannual variability. Depth of 10°C isotherm was shallower in 2006, 2015, and 2018 while it was deeper 2017 and 2020.

MLD: Mercator has smaller range in mean seasonal variation.

MLD is thicker than other analysis in winter.

Time series of analysis data diverge each other.

Mercator and ES3K has similar interannual variability in MLD.

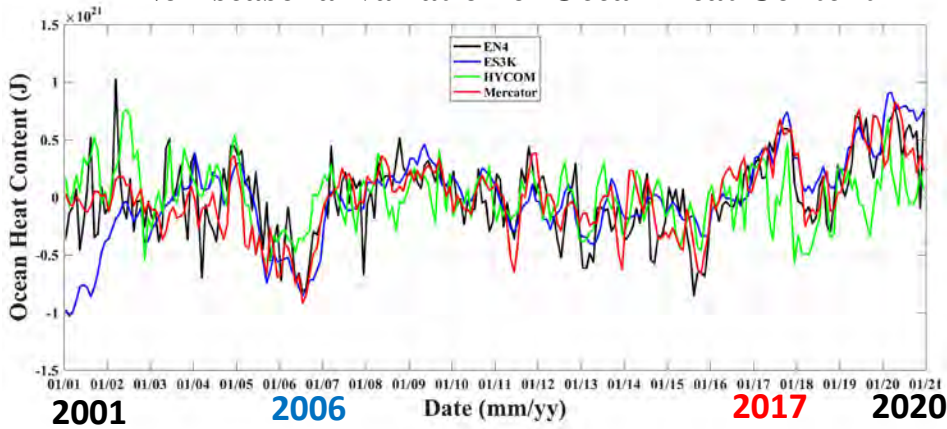
Salinity: **HYCOM** and **ES3K** have saline bias while **Mercator** has fresh bias. Salinity decreased from 2008 to 2016 in EN4, HYCOM, and Mercator and then recovered from 2017 to 2019. Time series of analysis data from **ES3K** diverge from the others.

Steric height: Steric height was lower in 2006 and 2018 while it was higher in 2017 and 2020. It increased from 2016 to 2020 in **EN4**, **Mercator**, and **ES3K**.

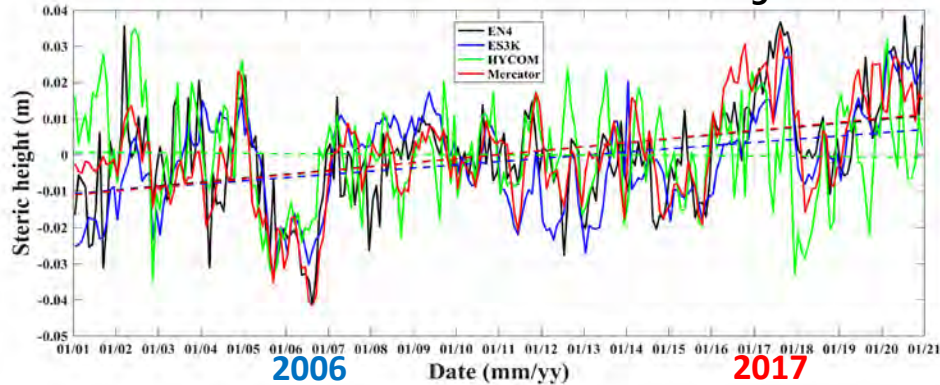
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Sea level: **Satellite altimeter** observation and **Mercator** have a increasing trend.

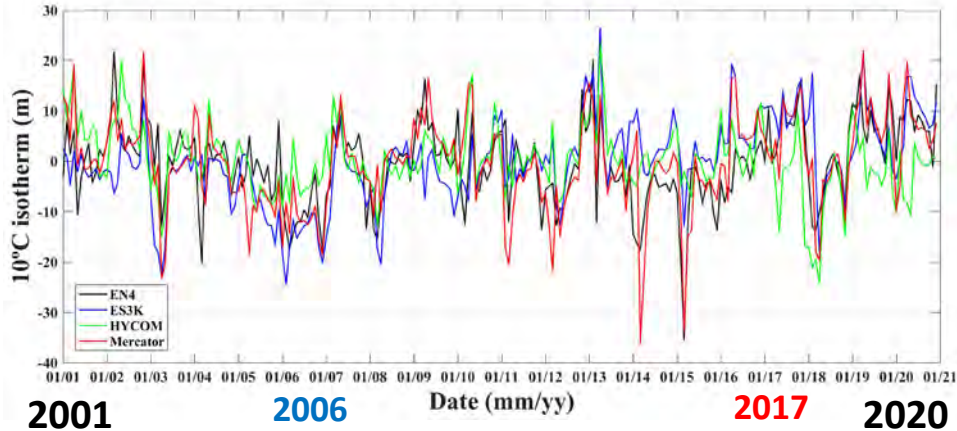
Non-seasonal variation of Ocean Heat Content



Non-seasonal variation of Steric Height

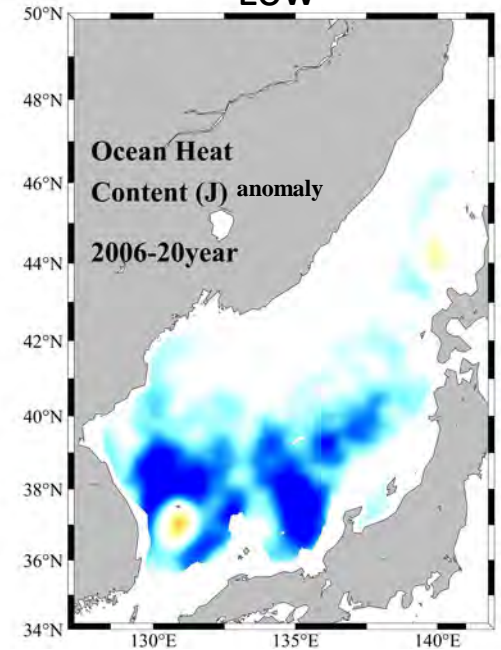


Non-seasonal variation of 10°C isotherm

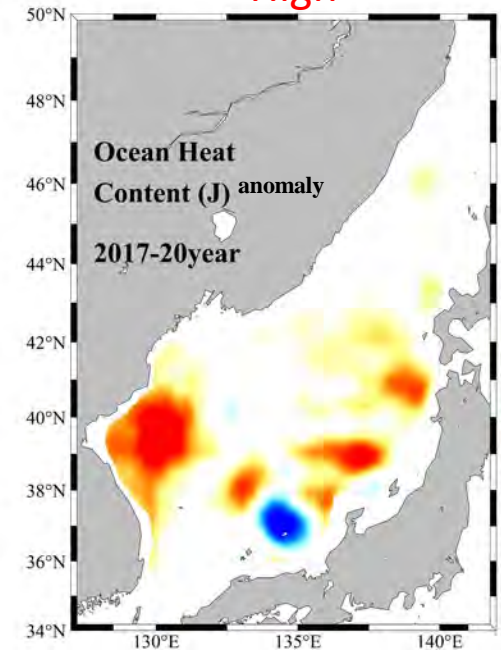


EN4,
HYCOM
Mercator
ES3K

Low



High



Thank you for your attention!