

An assessment of High-Resolution regional ocean reanalysis for Northwest Pacific K-ORA22

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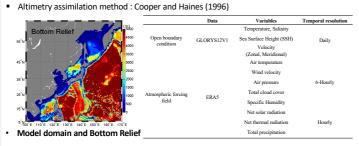
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Validation dataset

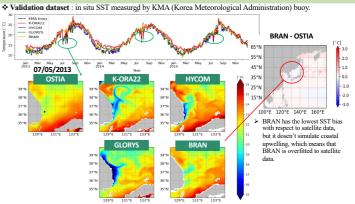
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KOOS-OPEM Reanalysis (K-ORA22)

- Ocean prediction model : KOOS-OPEM
- Based model : GFDL-MOM5
- Domain : 5-63°N, 99-170°E
- Resolution : 1/24 °x1/24 ° & 51 layers
- Data assimilation method : Ensemble Optimal Interpolation (Kim et al., 2015)



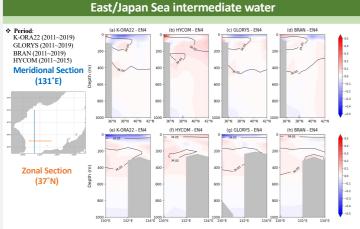
Coastal upwelling in the Southwest of East/Japan Sea



✓ K-ORA22, HYCOM and GLORYS successfully capture coastal upwelling that occurs every summer.

Volume transport through Korea strait

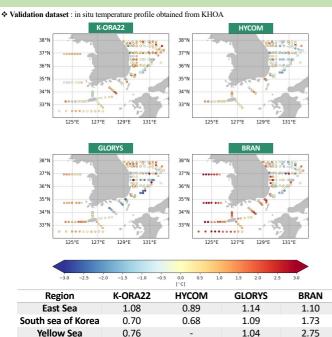
sport estimated from sea level differences (Shin et al., 2022)



✓ K-ORA22 and GLORYS reproduce ESIW well with near-zero salinity biases at subsurface.

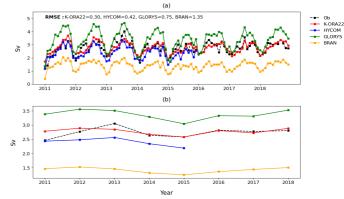
 \checkmark HYCOM exhibits a shallower ESIW with high salinity biases compared to other reanalyses, and its extent only reaches as far south as 39°N.

Temperature bias around Korea pennisula



✓ K-ORA22 has low biases and RMSEs in most regions, particularly excelling in the Yellow Sea.

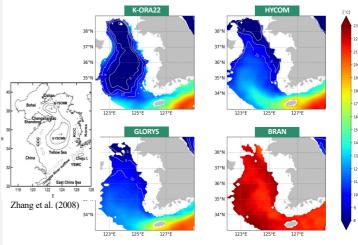
✓ HYCOM also shows impressive performance with the lowest RMSEs, whereas BRAN has significant warm biases in Yellow Sea.



✓ K-ORA22 stands out with the lowest RMSE at 0.30 Sv, indicating that K-ORA22 reproduces the seasonal and interannual variability most closely to the observation.

Reproducibility of Yellow Sea Cold Water Mass

Tempearture at 50m averaged in boreal a summer (JJA) season from 2011 to 2015



✓ The typical distribution of Yellow Sea Cold Water Mass (YSCWM) in summer is bordered by the bottom 10°C isotherm in the form of a round water mass

- ✓ The isotherm in K-ORA22 closely resembles the typical distribution of the YSCWM.
- ✓ Other reanalyses exhibit warm biases and do not reproduce this distribution.

Conculsion

 K-ORA22 exhibits notable strengths in reproducing the unique characteristics and physical properties of marginal seas.

Due to these advantages, which surpass global reanalyses, K-ORA22 will be useful for many research studies.