A big idea from OceanObs'19: Formation of an Integrated Surface Ocean Observing System (ISOOS)



Recommendations from >13 Community Papers and >300 expert Authors

Cronin, et al. (2019) "Air-sea fluxes with a focus on heat and momentum"

Wanninkhof, et al. (2019) "A Surface Ocean CO₂ Reference Network, SOCONET and Associated Marine Boundary Layer CO₂ Measurements"

Centurioni, et al. (2019) "Multidisciplinary Global In-Situ Observations of Essential Climate and Ocean Variables at the Air-Sea Interface In Support of Climate Variability and Change Studies and to Improve Weather Forecasting, Pollution, Hazard and Maritime Safety Assessments"

Ardhuin, et al. (2019) "Observing sea states"

Ardhuin, et al. (2019) "SKIM, a candidate satellite mission exploring global ocean currents and waves"

Bourassa, M. A. et al. (2019): "Remotely Sensed Winds and Wind Stresses for Marine Forecasting and Ocean Modeling"

Gommenginger, et al. (2019) "SEASTAR: a mission to study ocean submesoscale dynamics and small-scale atmosphereocean processes in coastal, shelf and polar seas"

Kent, et al. (2019) "Observing requirements for long-term climate records at the ocean surface"

O'Carroll, et al. (2019) "Observational Needs of Sea Surface Temperature"

Smith, et al. (2019) "Ship-Based Contributions to Global Ocean, Weather, and Climate Observing Systems"

Steinhoff, et al. (2019) "Constraining the oceanic uptake and fluxes of greenhouse gases by building an ocean network of certified stations: the ICOS Oceans Network"

Swart, et al. (2019): Constraining Southern Ocean Air-Sea-Ice Fluxes Through Enhanced Observations"

Villas Bôas, et al (2019): "Integrated Observations of Global Surface Winds, Currents, and Waves: Requirements and Challenges for the Next Decade"

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Warm Episode Relationships



Goals for 2030:

3-hourly 25-km Gridded Air-Sea fluxes with "breakthrough" 1-day random uncertainties of: $15 \text{ W m}^{-2} (5\%) \& 0.01 \text{ N m}^{-2} (5\%)$

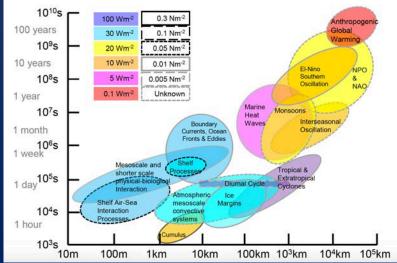
and Biases less than: 5 W m⁻² & 0.005 N m⁻²

Aspirational goal:

"Breakthrough" accuracy for 1-hrly at 10km gridded fluxes.



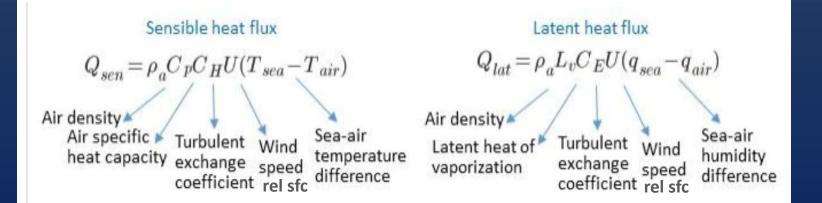
Flux Accuracies and Processes



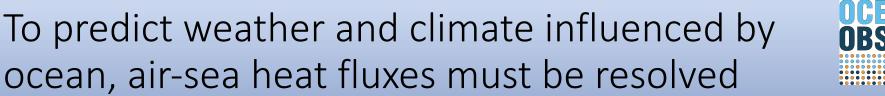
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 $Q_{net} = Q_{SW} - Q_{LW} - Q_{lat} - Q_{sen}$



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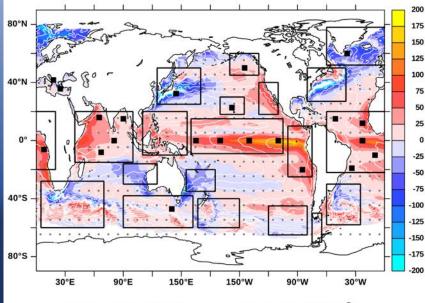


Flux EOV/E	CV 2018	2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 2029 2030	
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Skin Temperate	ure Partially	Partially met Adequate	
Wind Speed and Direction	on Partially	Partially met Adequate	
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		Requirement partially met / threshold	
		Requirement adequately met / breakthrough	
		Requirement fully met / ideal goal	

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Fixed Platforms



Mobile and Drifting Platforms



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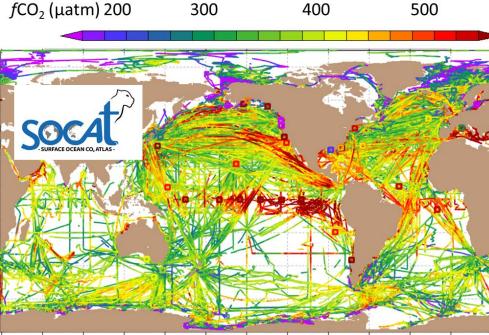
Established Platforms:



New Technologies:









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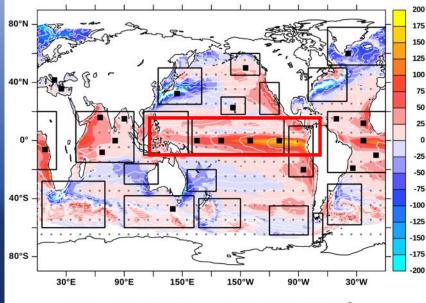


Near-term steps for creating an Integrated Surface Ocean Observing System (ISOOS)

- 1. Identify **stakeholders** and **champions** for expansion of observations for multi-disciplinary and multifunctional ISOOS
- 2. Create a **Task Team** that would report to **GOOS** OOPC, IOCCP, and Biology&Ecosystem **Panels**. Terms of Reference:
 - i. Identify relevant OO19 Community White Papers (CWP) and Common Recommendations and Roadmap activities across the different communities (e.g. weather, climate, carbon, biology and ecosystems).
 - ii. Provide expertise to regional observing systems for design studies, priorities, ... similar to **SOFLUX and TPOS-2020 PBL Task Teams**.
 - iii. Perform array designs
 - iv. Perform intercomparisons across platforms to ensure interoperability
 - v. etc. Contact Meghan.F.Cronin@noaa.gov

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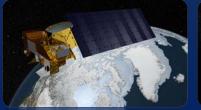
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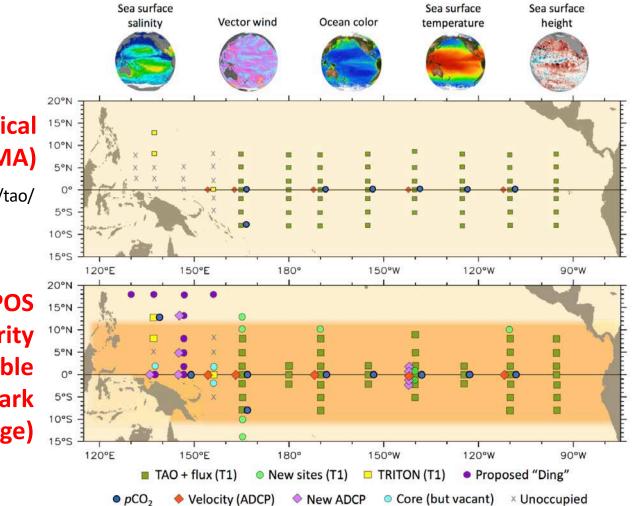
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EXAMPLE 1 Tropical Pacific Observing System



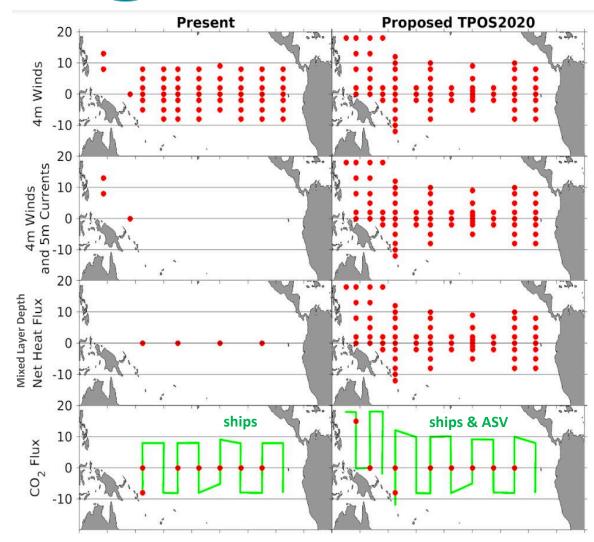
Present Tropical Moored Array (TMA)

https://www.pmel.noaa.gov/tao/

Proposed TPOS TMA high priority sites and double Argo region (dark orange)

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-Better air-sea interaction

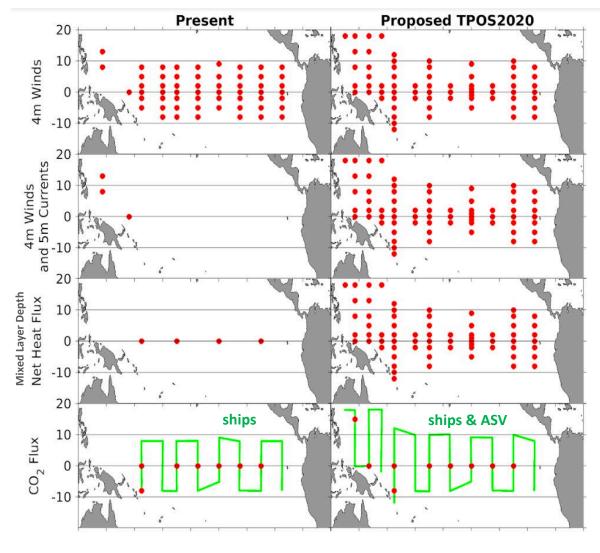


Which sites should be instrumented first? second?...

2020 Tropical Pacific Observing System

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Meghan's idea for near-surface Current Meter Priorities*:

2020 Tropical Pacific Observing System

- Equator, except
 95W
- 2. Meridional lines
 - i. 165E
 - ii. 110W
 - iii. 140W
 - iv. 170W
- 3. Remaining 2N
- 4. Remaining 2S
- 5. 95W meridional

*Assuming W. Pac already covered

2020 Tropical Pacific Observing System

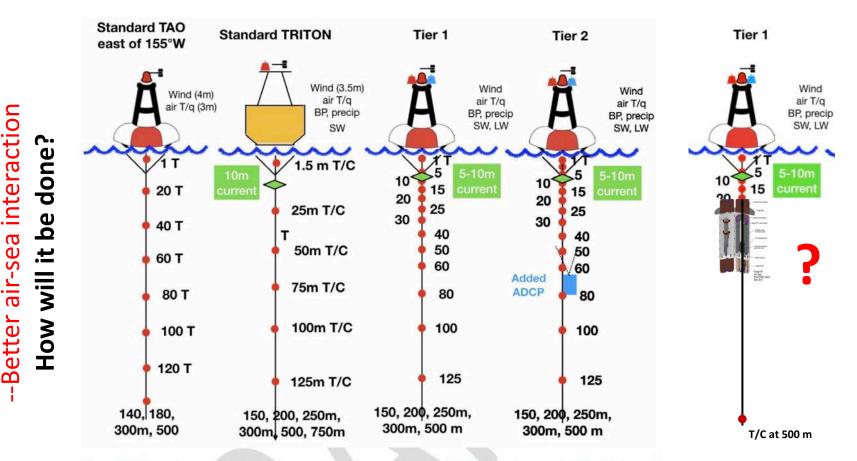
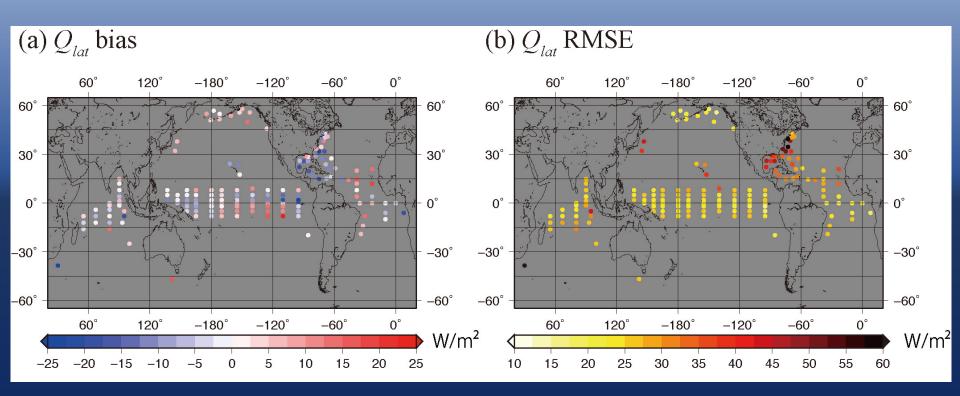


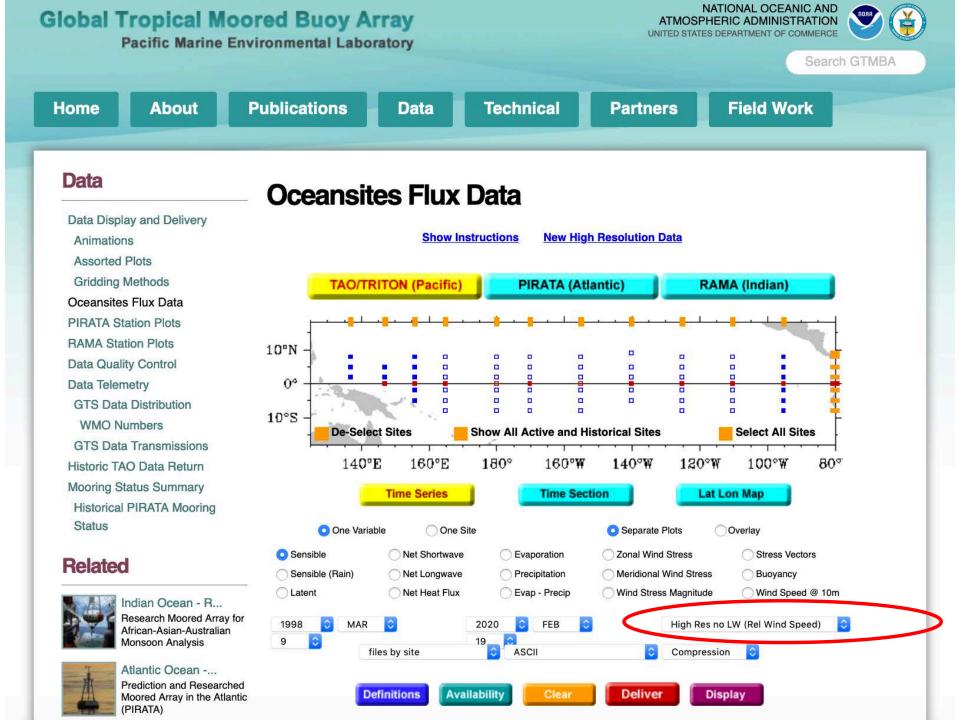
Figure 7.3: Schematics comparing the instrumentation of the current TAO and TRITON moorings- on the left, with those of the new enhanced TMA Tier 1 and Tier 2 - on the right. In the subsurface red dots and black text indicate the depths of temperature and salinity measurements, and green diamonds velocity measurements. Tier 2 moorings will have an upward looking current profiler (blue rectangle). Above the surface, parameters are noted as: Wind = wind speed, air T/q = air temperature and specific humidity, BP = barometric pressure, precip = rainfall, downwelling SW and LW = shortwave and longwave radiation respectively.

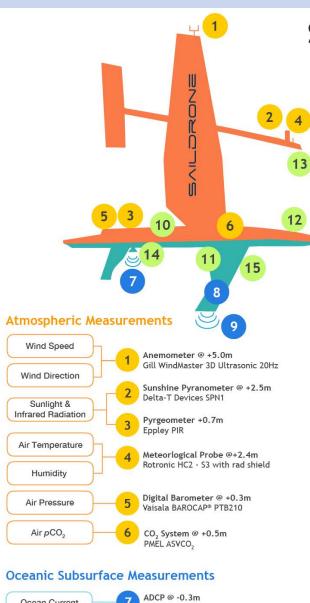
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In Situ Array is being used to assess uncertainty in satellite data.



Example: J-OFURO3 satellite based latent heat flux (Tomita et al. 2019)



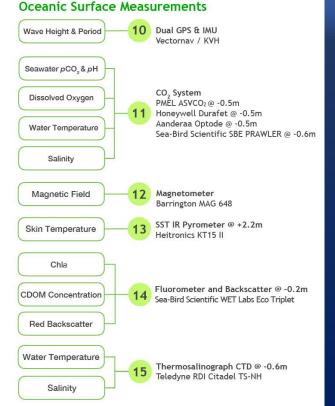




Saildrone Sensor Suite

Specifications

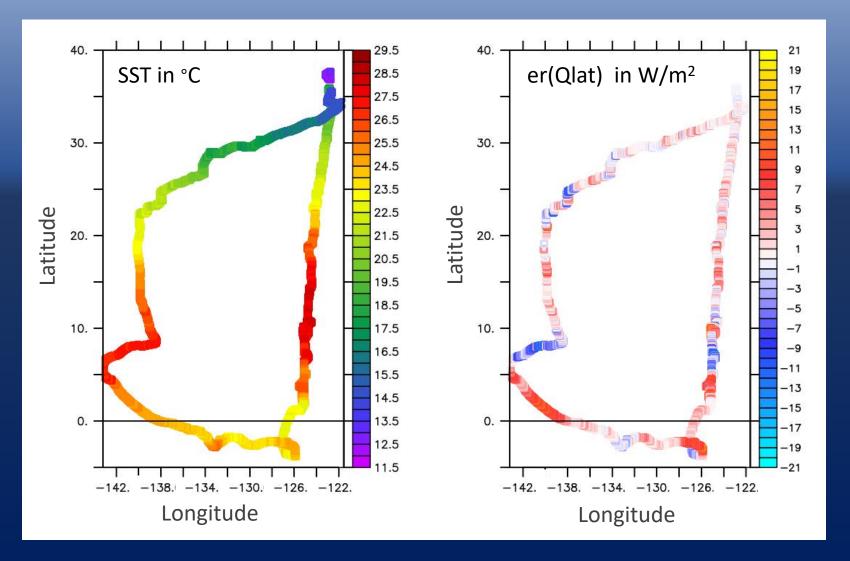
Length: 7 m Height: 4.6 m (above water line) Depth: 2 m Weight: 545 kg, (fully loaded) Speed: Transit - 3 Kt, Max - 8 Kt Payload Power: 30W Steady state Payload Capacity: 100 kg Max deployed duration: 12 months Longest voyage: 16,100 km





A mobile surface flux and surface current profile platform

Tested in the Tropical Pacific as a pilot study for TPOS-2020 Latent Heat Flux should be calculated from winds relatieve to currents. Use Saildrone to estimate er(Qlat) = Qlat(no Currents) – Qlat(with Currents)





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