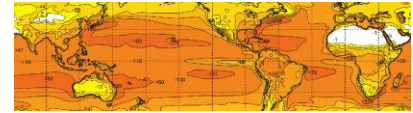


# Towards improved estimate of turbulent heat flux over Global Oceans OHF Project

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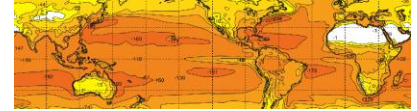


## Evaluating and Improving the Turbulent Components of the Net Heat Flux

## Collaboration CLIVAR / WCRP



# Motivation

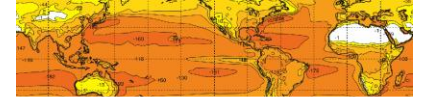


## Requirements

- Quantify the different types of uncertainties of EO-based surface fluxes
  - Inputs, algorithms, parameterization, .....
- Develop an ensemble approach to generate multiple realizations of EO based flux products
  - Strengths of existing data
  - Latest bulk parameterization
  - Reprocessing L1b and L2b satellite data
- consistency of the Net Heat Flux product components
  - Using Argo data on a series of Cages
- Develop a community-led Flux Platform to share, access and inter-compare easily different sets of flux
  - Fostering close collaboration between different
  - combining in situ measurements and EO data

# OHF Products

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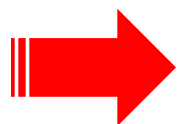
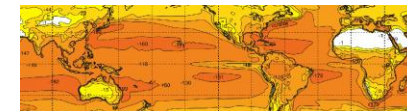


	$W_{sp}$	$Q_a$	SST	$T_a$	$\tau$	LHF	SHF	LW	SW	Period	Spatial Resolution	Temporal Resolution	Format
<b>IFREMER</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			1999 – 2009	0.25°×0.25°	Daily	NetCdf
<b>HOAPS</b>	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	1987 - 2008	0.5°×0.5°	6-hourly and Monthly	NetCdf
<b>OAFLux</b>	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	1985 - 2014	1°×1°	Daily	NetCdf
<b>SEAFLUX</b>	X	X	X	X		X	X			1998 - 2007	0.25°×0.25°	3-hourly	Binary
<b>J-OFURO</b>	X	X			X	X	X			1988 - 2008	1°×1° 0.25°×0.25°	Daily Monthly	NetCdf
<b>ERA Interim</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	1992 - 2012	0.75°×0.75°	6-hourly	Grib
<b>CFSR</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	1992 - 2012	0.38°×0.38°	6-hourly	Grib
<b>MERRA</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			1992 - 2012	0.50°×0.66°	Daily/Monthly	NetCdf
<b>NOCS2</b>	X	X	X	X		X	X			1992 – 2010	1°×1°	Daily Monthly	NetCdf



**+ In-situ measurements (Mooredings, Ships, Campaigns)**

# Error Characterization Procedure



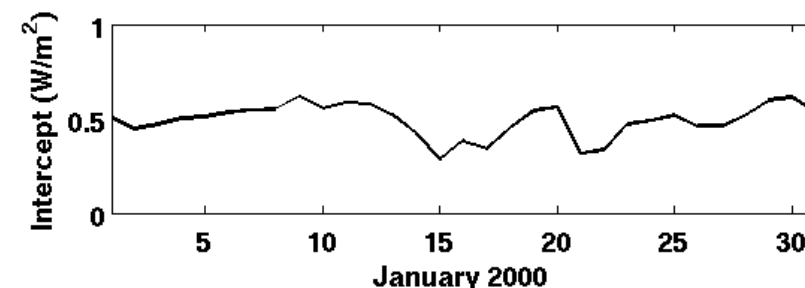
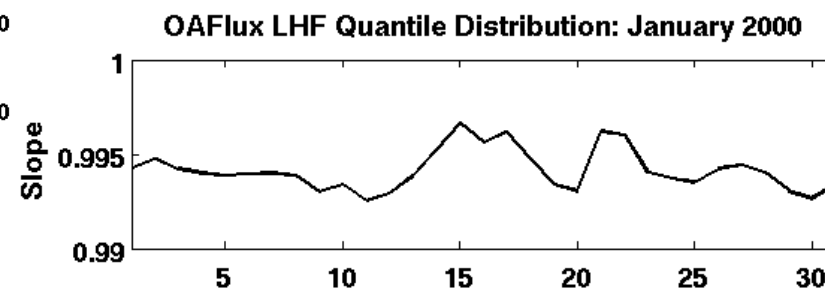
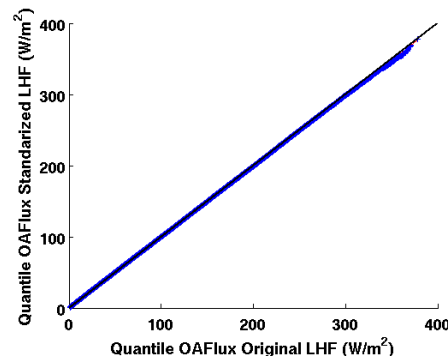
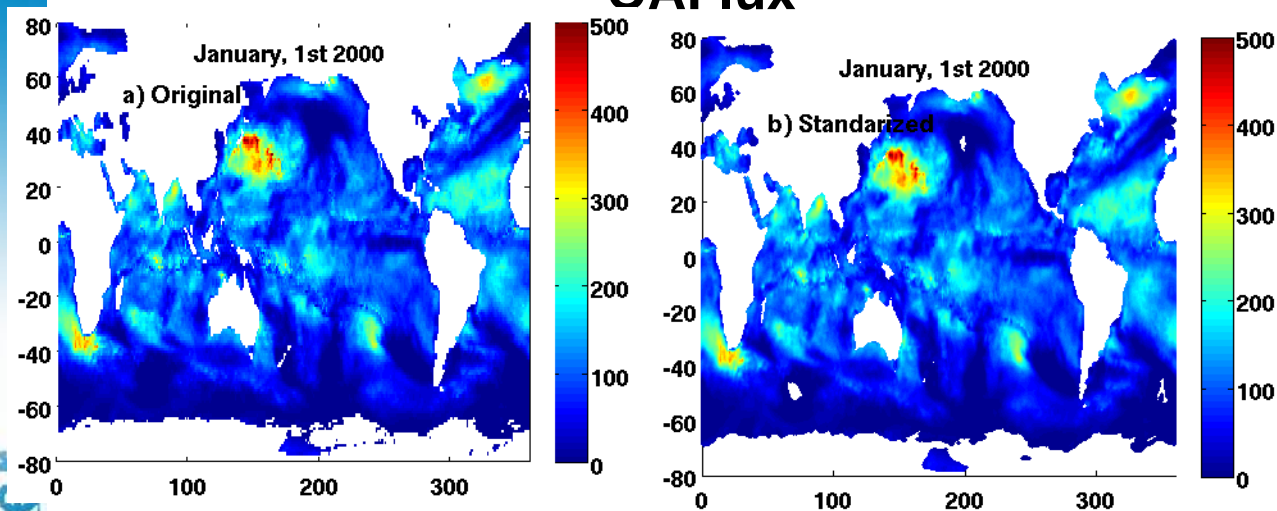
## Standardization of Products: OHF Reference Products

- Estimation of each product data on same grid map over global oceans.
- Daily / • 0.25° in longitude and latitude / • Global Oceans / • Land/Ice mask / • Format



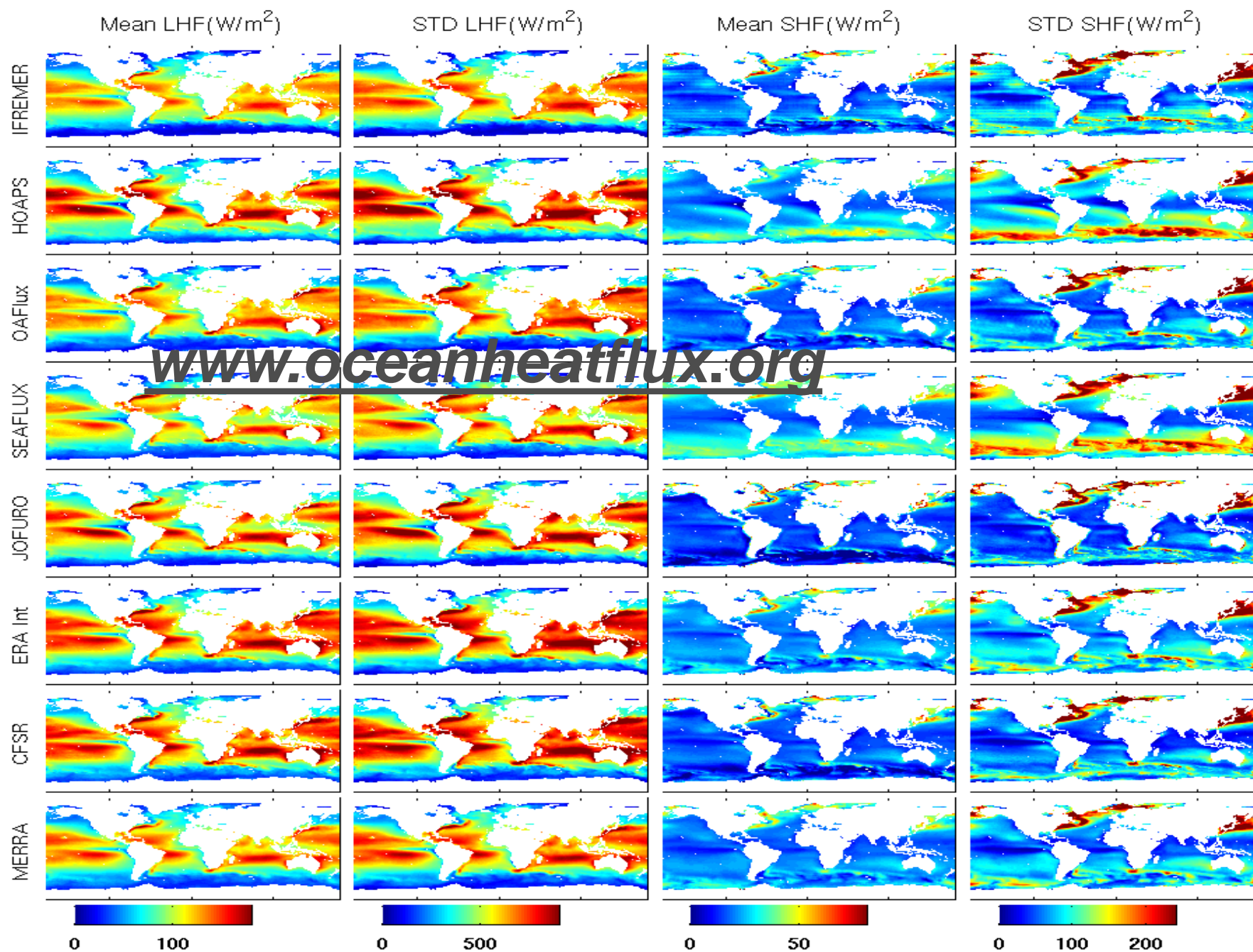
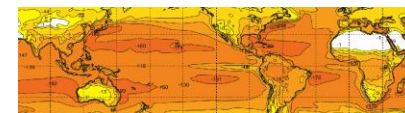
## Standardized Vs. Original Flux Distributions

### OAFlux





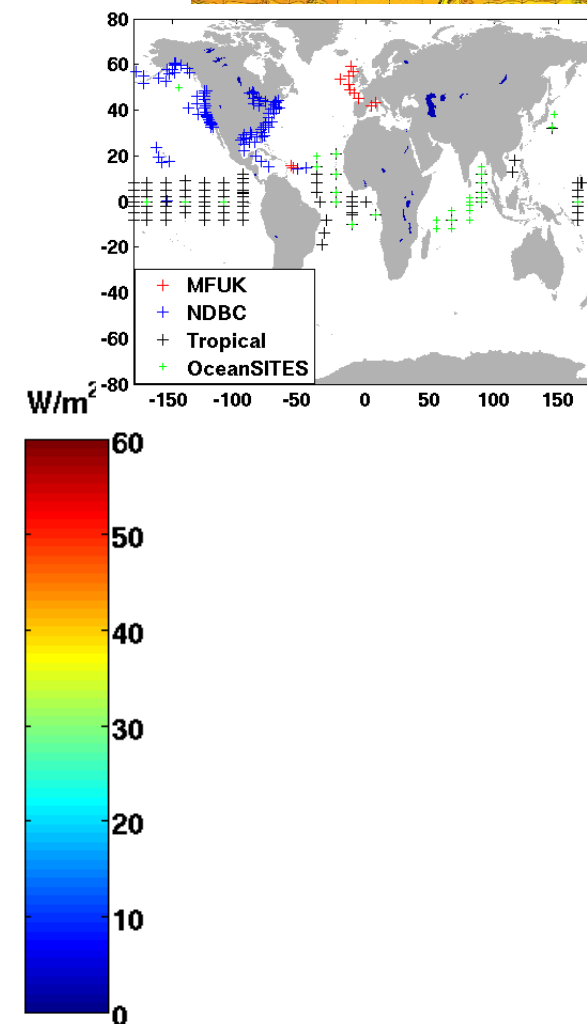
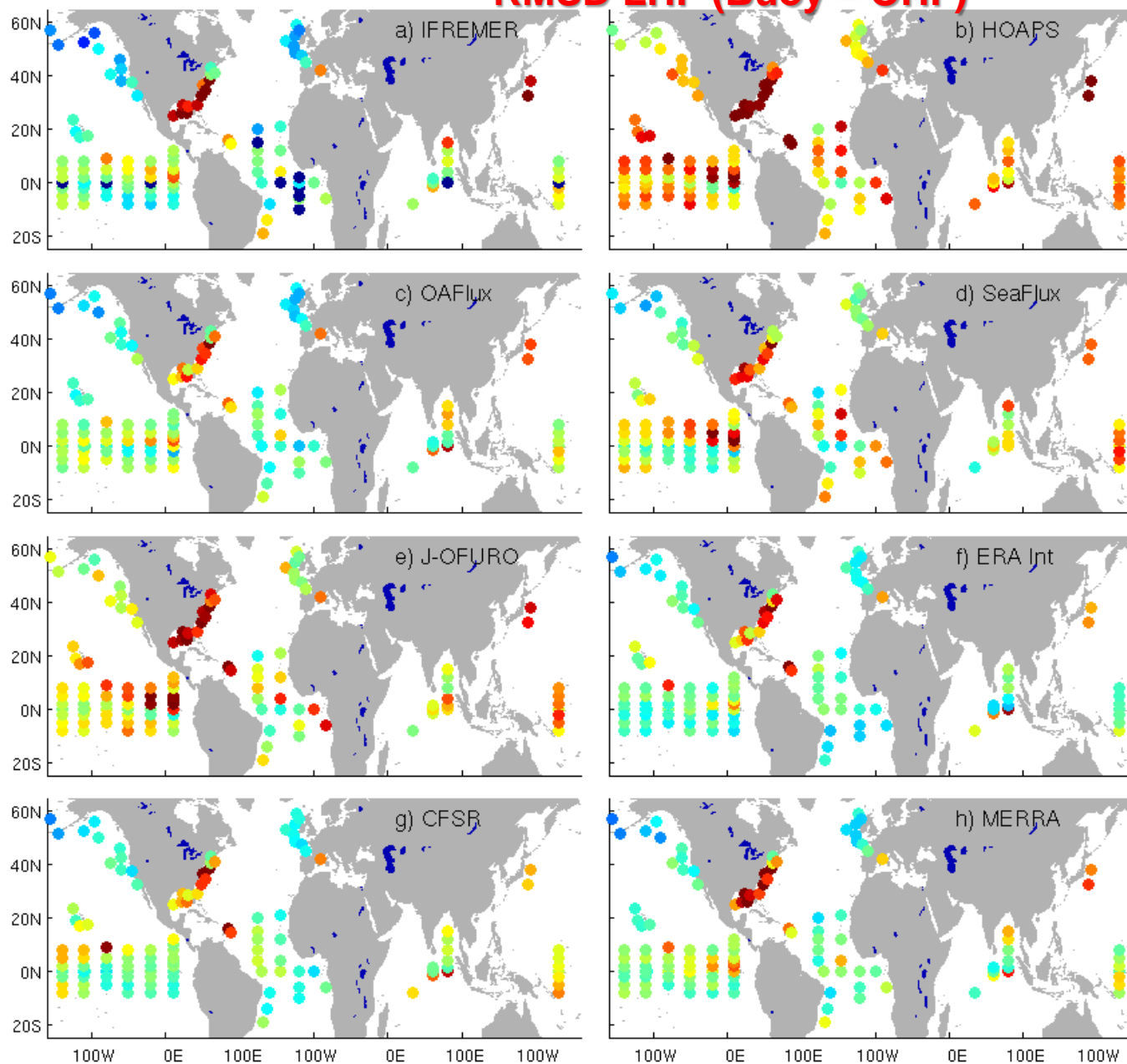
# Annual Mean of OHF LHF and SHF



# OHF LHF Product Accuracy

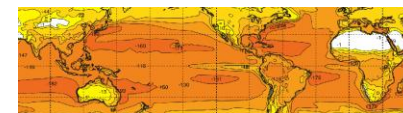
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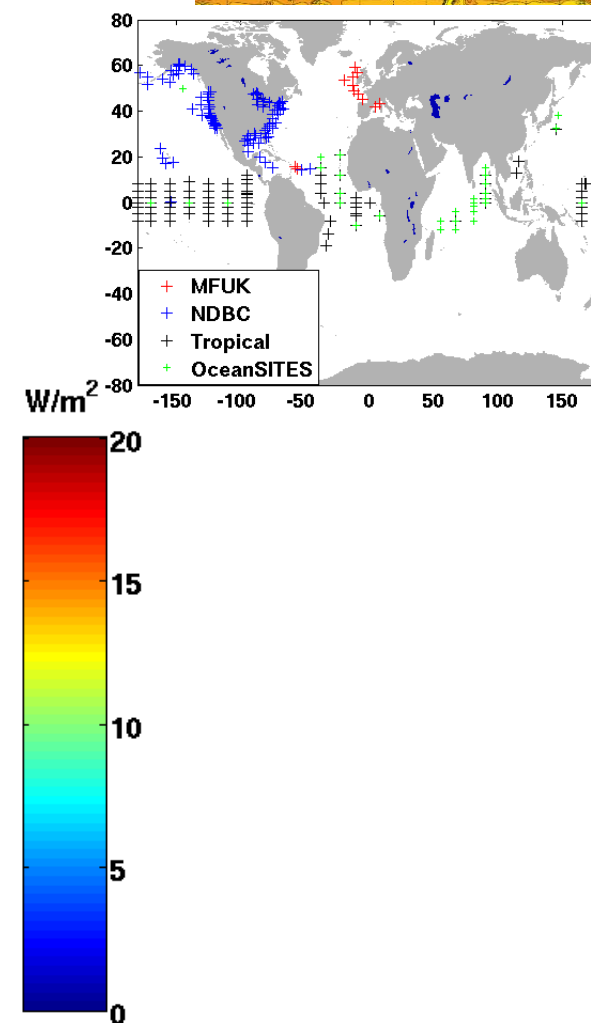
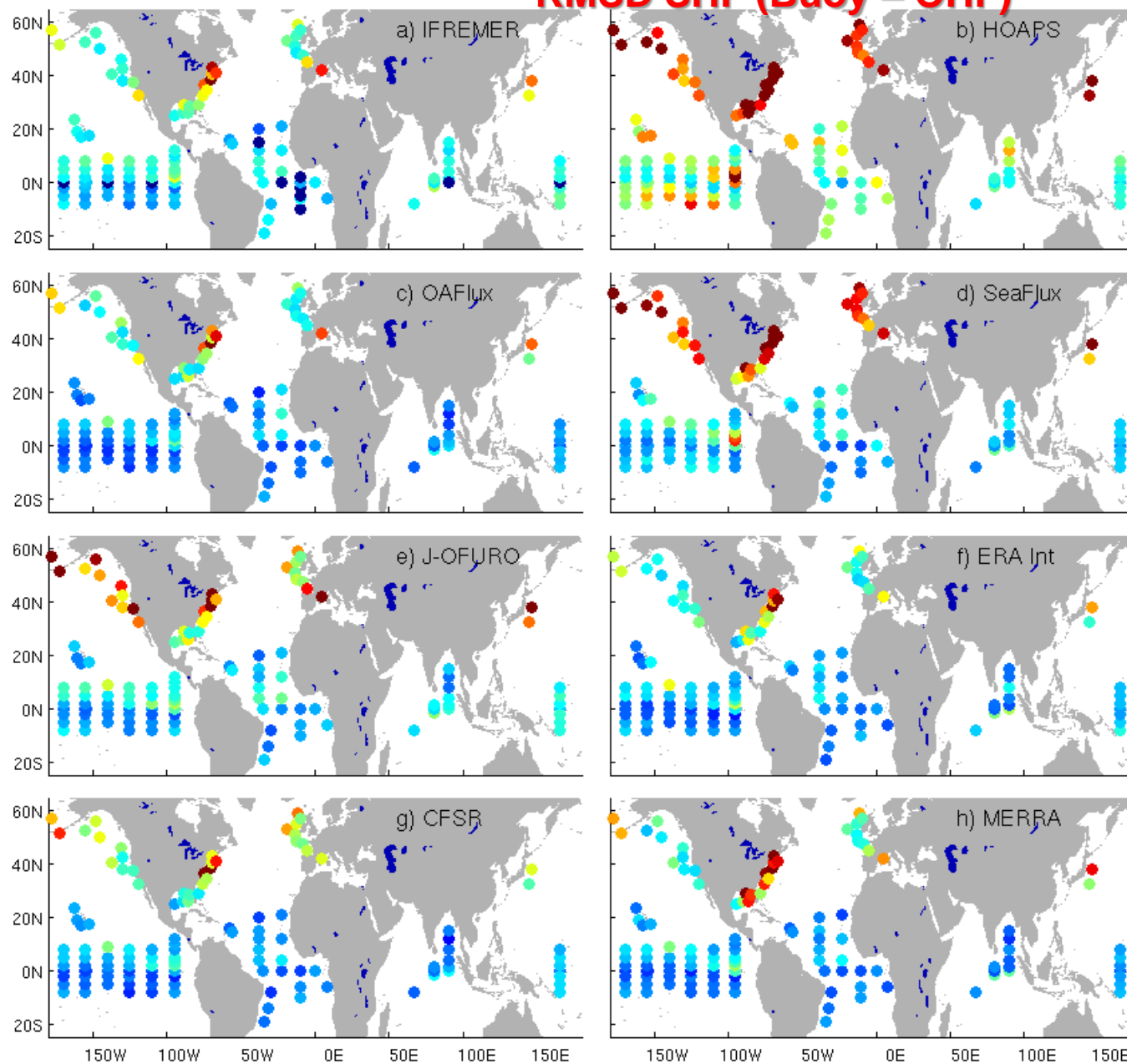


# OHF SHF Product Accuracy

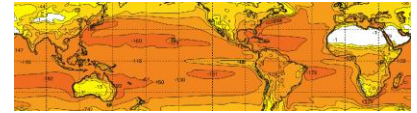
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## RMSD SHF (Buoy – OHF)



## OHF Ensemble Determination



**Error characteristics determined from in-situ and products comparison results**

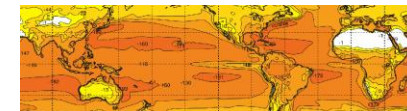


**OHF MultiProduct Ensemble (OHF/MPE)**

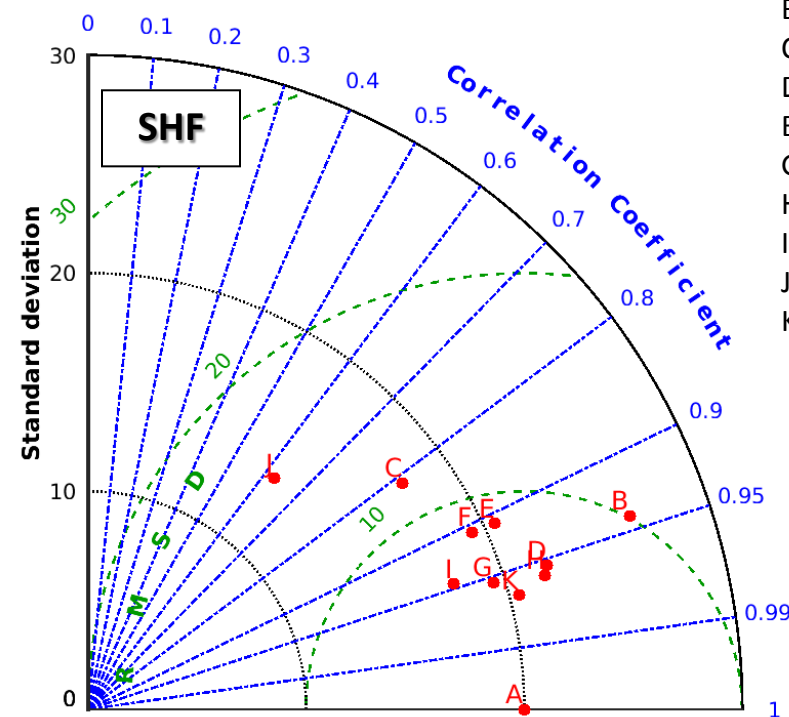
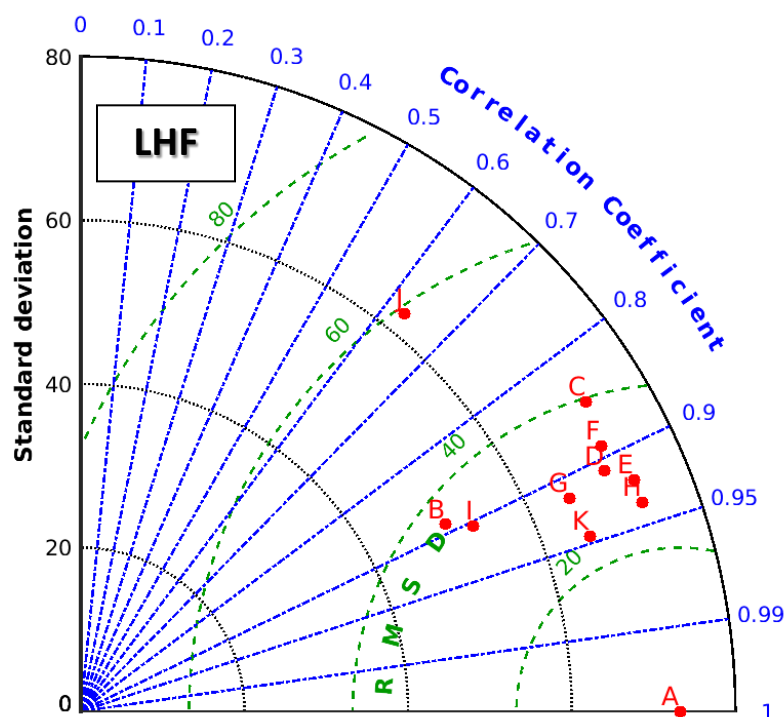
- OHF/MPE is estimated based on the use of the standardized IFREMER, HOAPS, OAFlux, SeaFlux, J-OFURO, ERA Interim, and CFSR daily fluxes. It is calculated on a daily basis over the standardized OHF product grid map ( $0.25^\circ \times 0.25^\circ$ ) over global free ice oceans.
- MERRA data is not used for OHF/MPE calculation. It is kept for further inter-comparison issues.



# Ensemble (OHF/MPE) and Standardized Product Evaluation

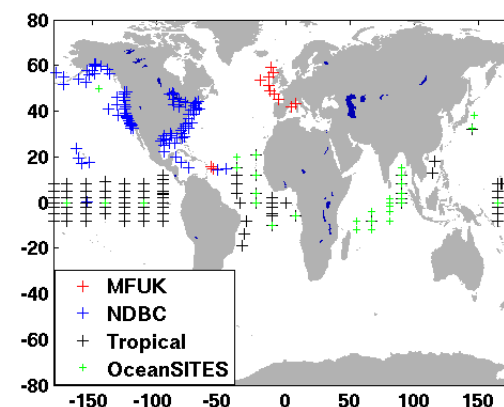
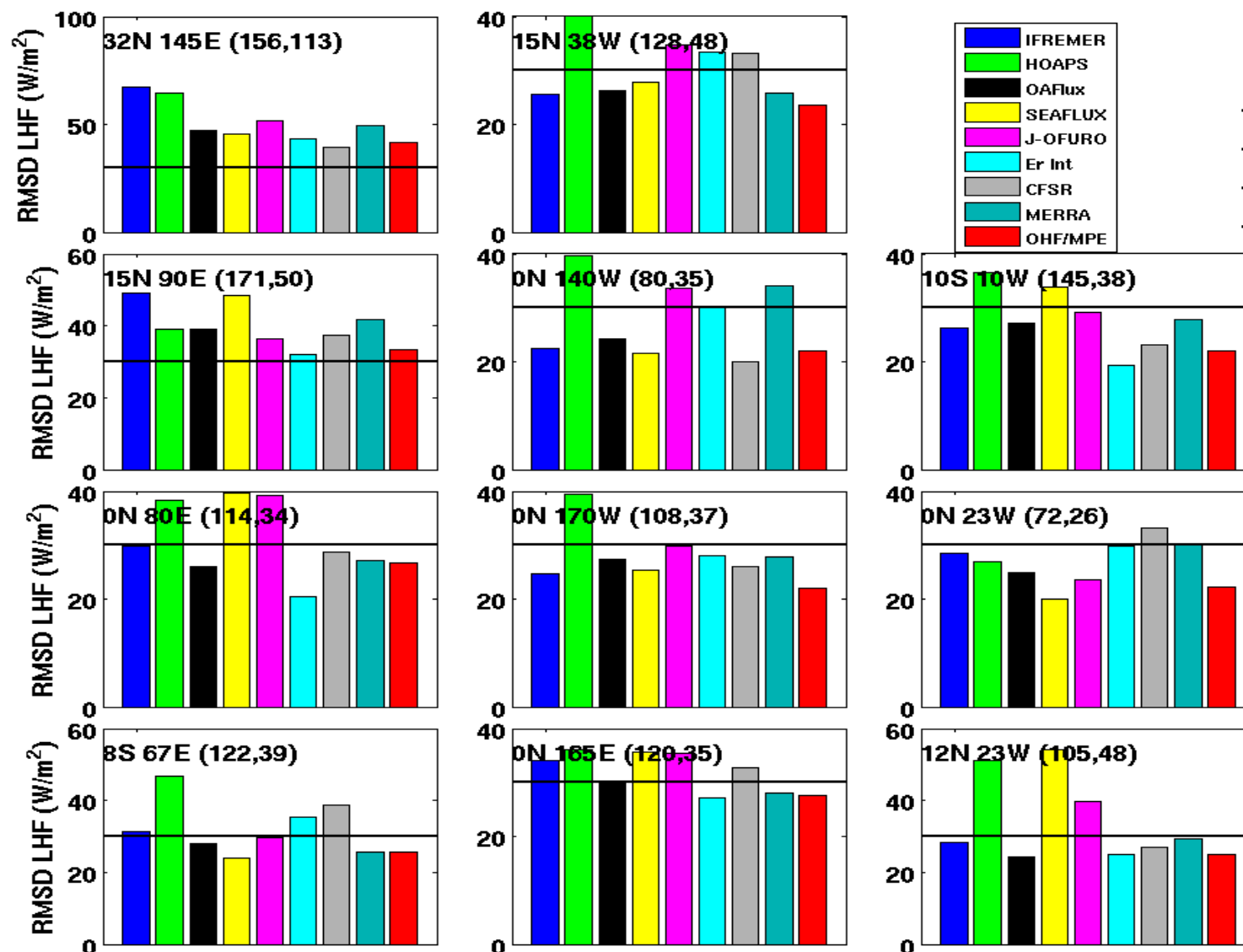
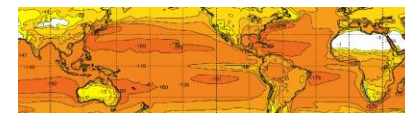


Taylor diagram summarizing the intercomparison results between daily OceanSites buoys and OHF a) LHF and b) SHF products calculated for the period 2000 - 2007



- A : OceanSite buoy
- B : Ifremer
- C : Hoaps
- D : OAFflux
- E : SeaFlux
- G : J-Ofuro
- H : Era Interim
- I : Cfsr
- J : Nocs2
- K : Ensemble(OHF/MPE)

# LHF RMSD at individual selected OceanSites buoy and each OHF product.

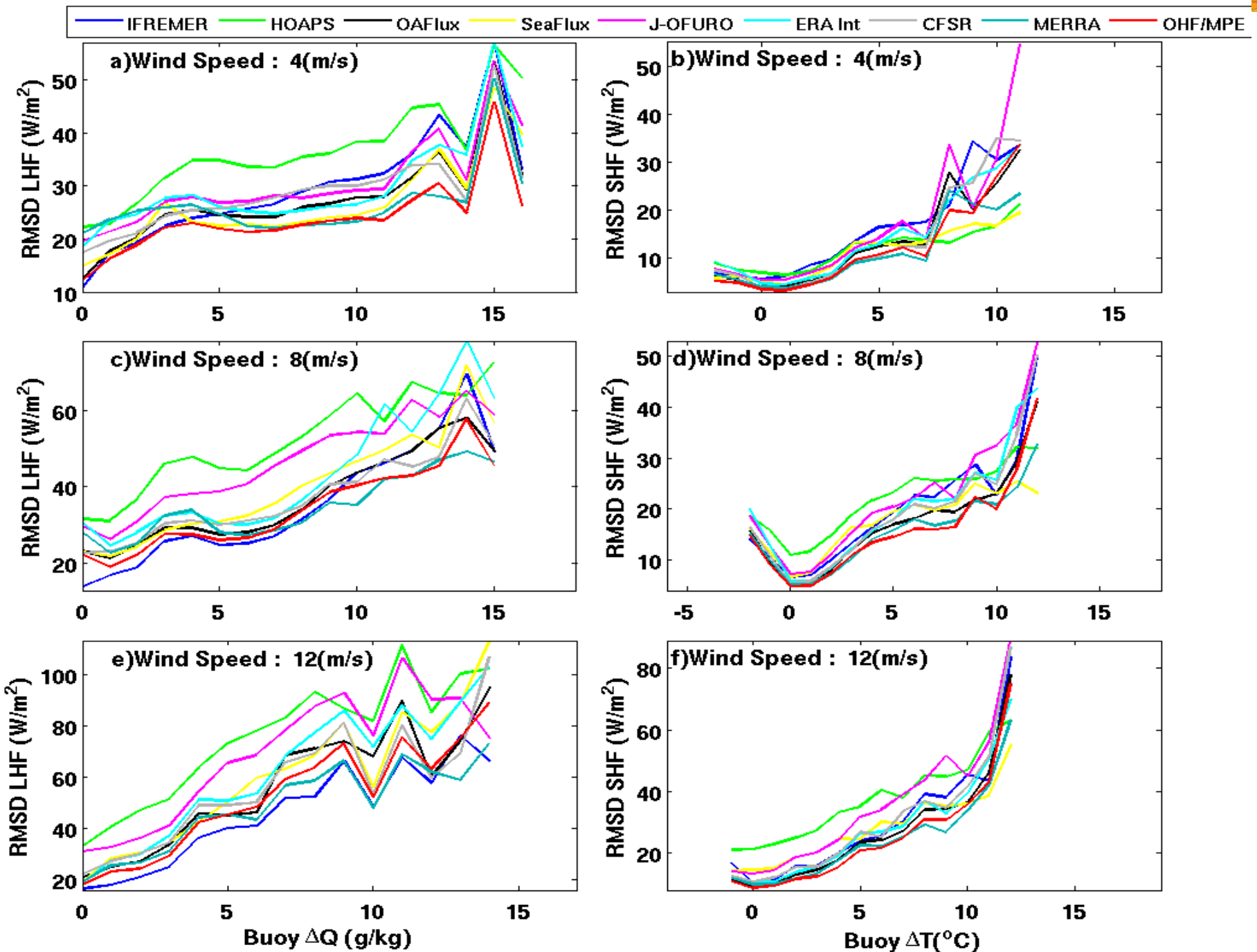
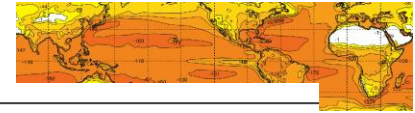


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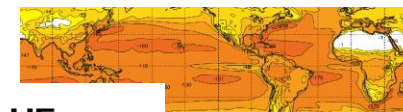
- Wind Speed
- Specific air humidity
- Air temperature
- $\Delta Q$
- $\Delta T$

# LHF Accuracy as a Function of Bulk Variables

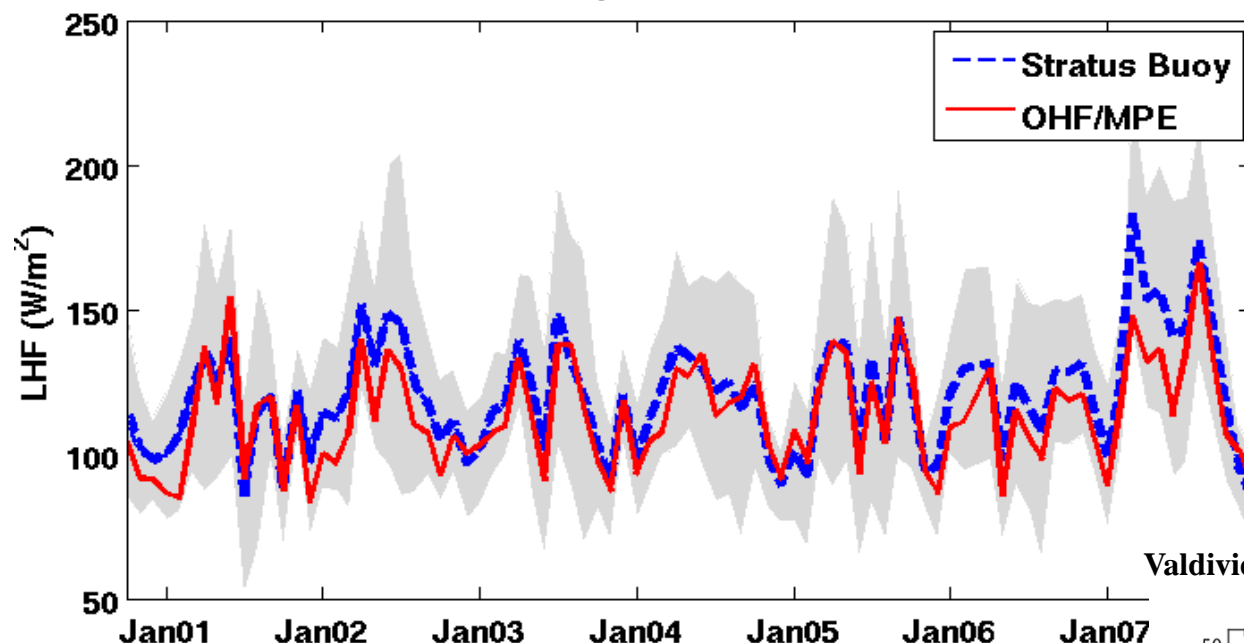
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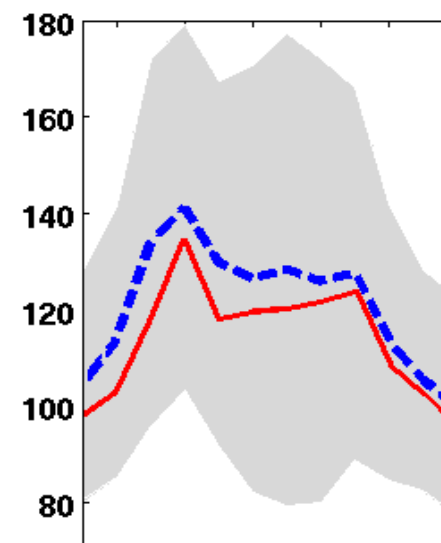
# OHF LHF and SHF Time Series



## Monthly LHF Time Series



## Seasonal LHF

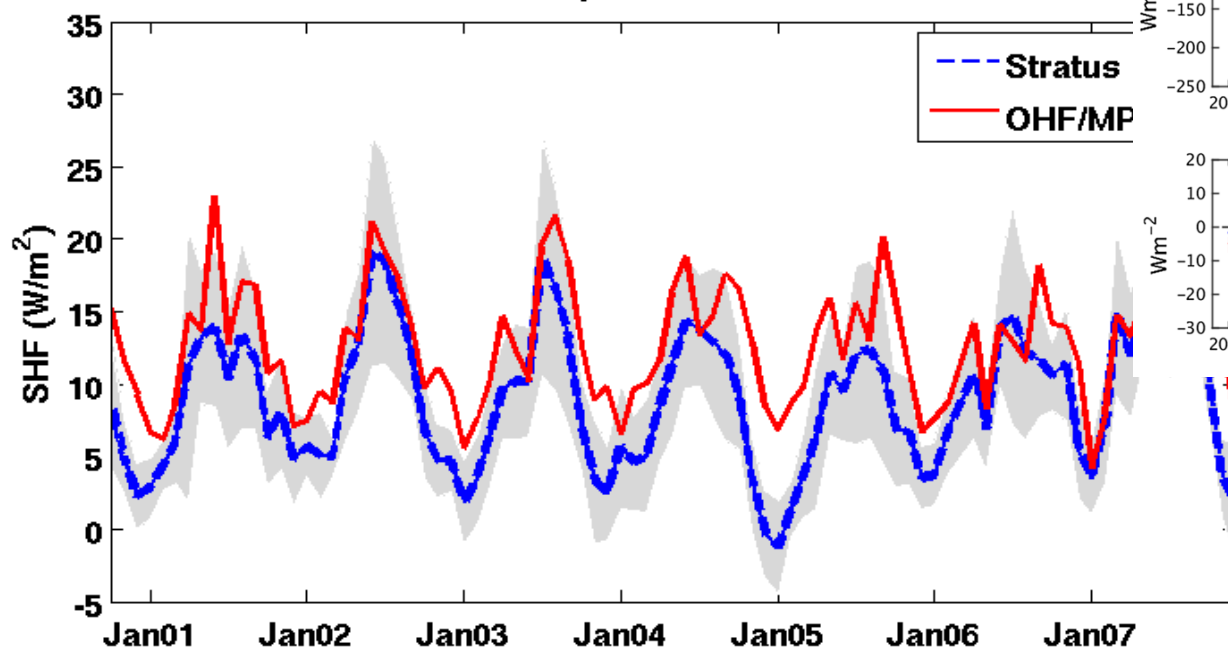


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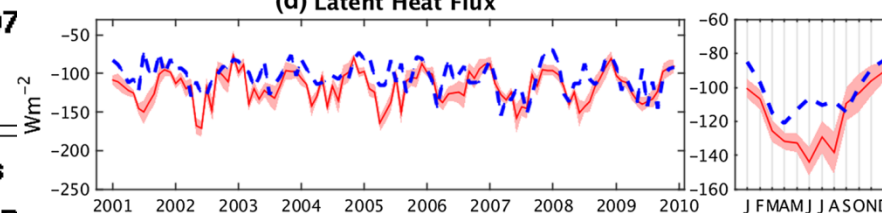


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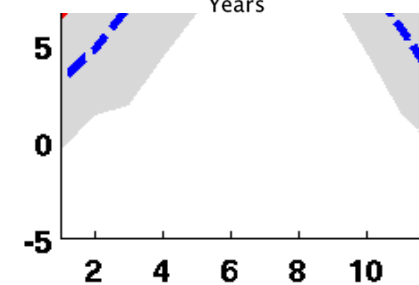
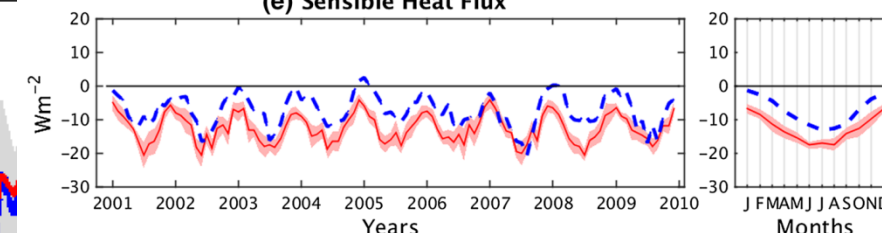
## Monthly SHF Time Series



## (d) Latent Heat Flux

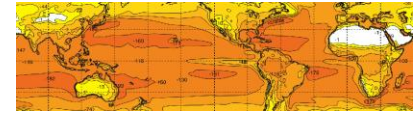


## (e) Sensible Heat Flux



# Uncertainties of OHF LHF and SHF Products

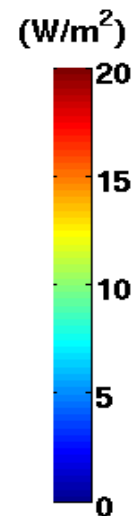
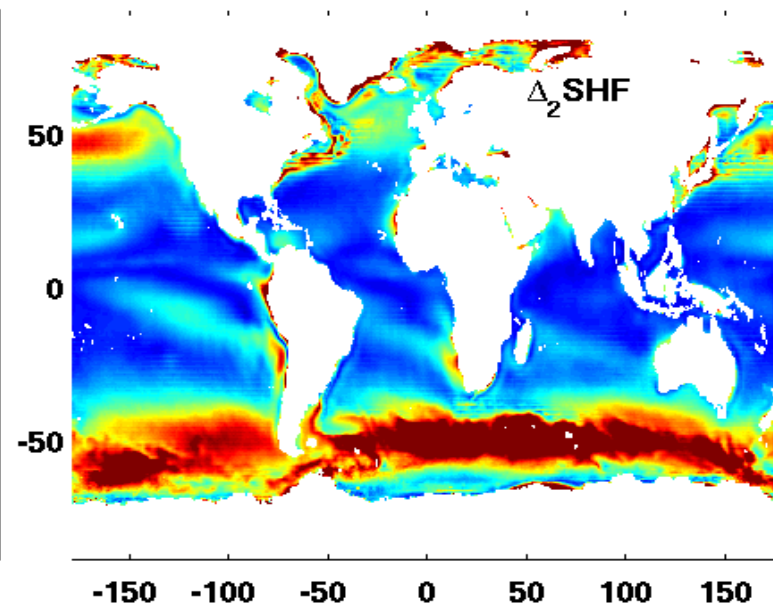
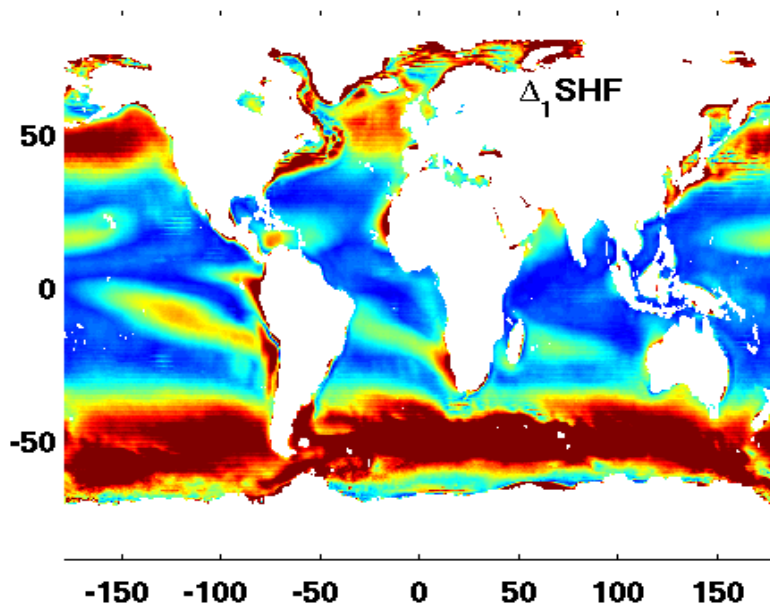
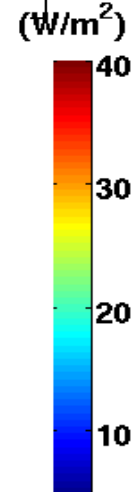
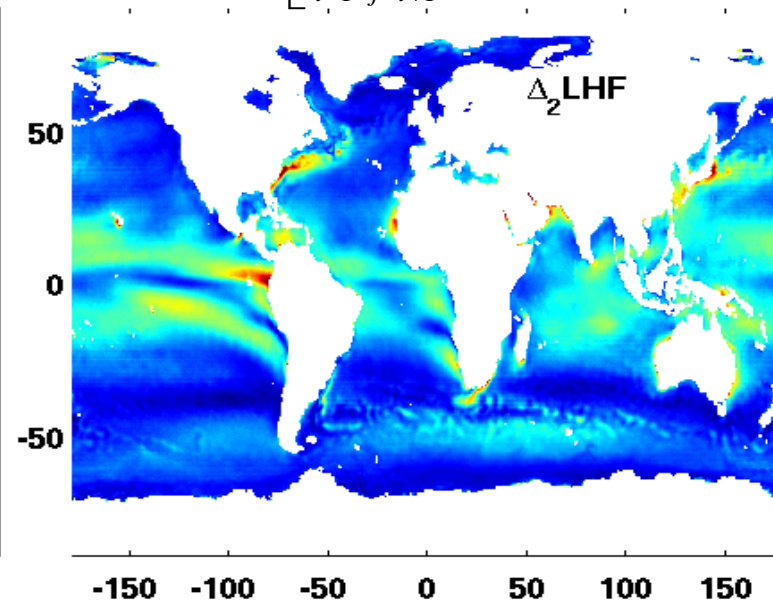
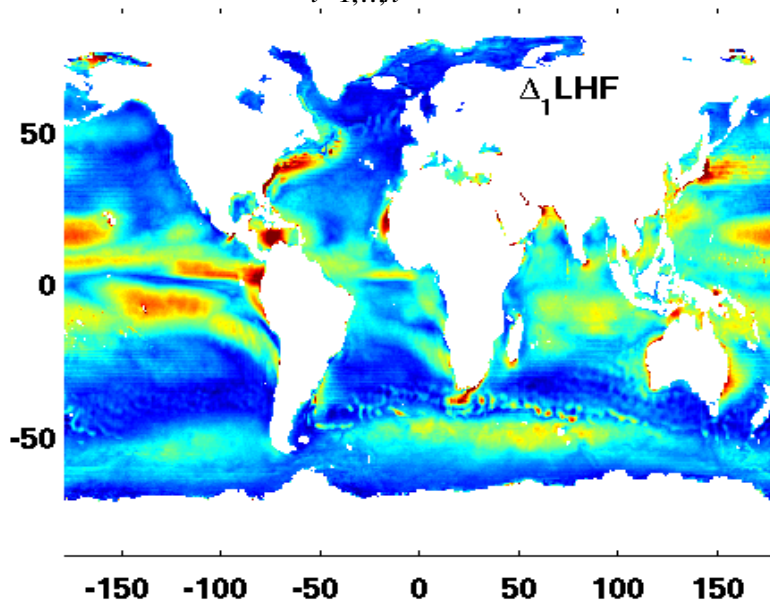
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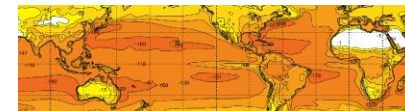
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$$\Delta_1 OHF = \max_{i=1, \dots, n} (|OHF_i - MPE|)$$

$$\Delta_2 OHF = \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n (OHF_i - OHF_j)^2 / C_2^n \right]^{1/2}$$







## Summary

- ✓ Consolidation of heat flux product requirements
  - Sampling, accuracy, input data, error characteristics, format, method, algorithms, ....
- ✓ Homogenization/Standardization of heat flux data
  - Sensitivity studies and algorithm improvement
- ✓ Determination of ensemble dataset
  - Better accuracy results compared to observational and re-analysis products
  - Investigation of OHF product uncertainties
- ✓ OHF portal and facilities
  - <http://www.oceanheatflux.org/>
  - Access to the full available daily OHF and the related bulk variables
  - Same format for all data
  - Documentations, reports, **tools**
  - Online inter-comparisons
  - Online flux computations
  - Online sensitivity tests