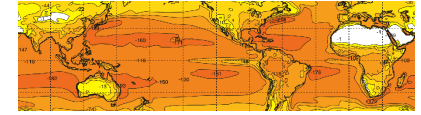


Towards improved estimate of turbulent heat flux over Global Oceans OHF Project

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Evaluating and Improving the Turbulent Components of the Net Heat Flux

Collaboration CLIVAR / WCRP

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Main Scientific Objectives

WP1 (7 tasks / 27 sub tasks): Consolidation of Ocean Heat Flux Products

➤ Completed:



➤ 75% - 90%



➤ 50% - 75%



- Consolidation of flux product requirements related to sampling, accuracy, input data, ancillary data, error characteristics (WP1.1)
- Consolidation of flux method and algorithms (WP1.3)
- Identification of the product algorithm strengths and limitations (WP1.4)
- Consolidation of the flux product evaluation and validation strategy (WP1.5)
- Consolidation of the method aiming at the generation of a suitable ensemble of realization of turbulent fluxes (WP1.6)

Main Scientific Objectives

WP2 (4 tasks / 23 sub tasks): Collection and homogenization of a collection of inputs, turbulent and radiative fluxes and validation data for later product generation and Intercomparison.

➤ **Completed:**



➤ **75% - 90%**



➤ **50% - 75%**



- **Reprocessing Bulk inputs (Wind, Humidity, ...) (WP2.1)**
- **Generate regional heat constraints for the cage study (WP2.3)**

Main Scientific Objectives

WP3 (4 tasks / 26 sub-tasks): Product Generation, Inter-Comparison and Uncertainty Characterizations

➤ Completed:



➤ 75% - 90%

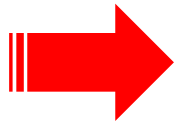
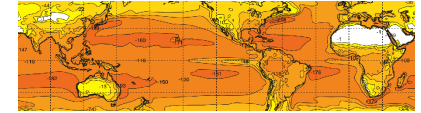


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- Sensitivity studies and algorithm improvement (WP3.1)
- Generation of an ensemble of realizations through “smart perturbations” (WP3.2)
- Evaluation of datasets and error characterization (WP3.3)
- Produce user handbook (WP3.4)

Error Characterization Procedure



Standardization of Products: OHF Reference Products

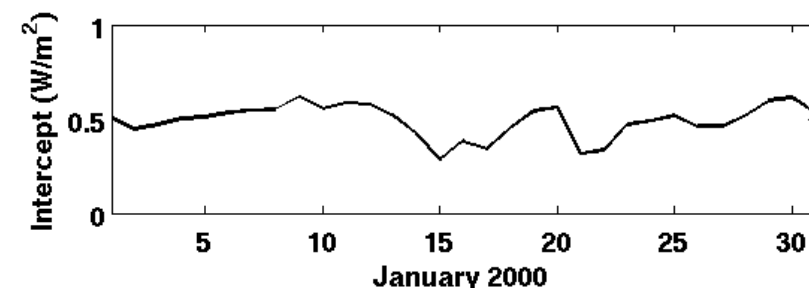
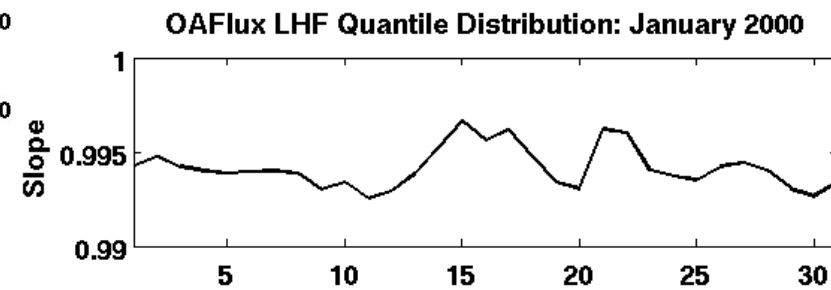
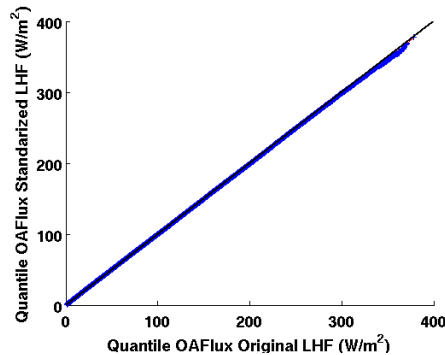
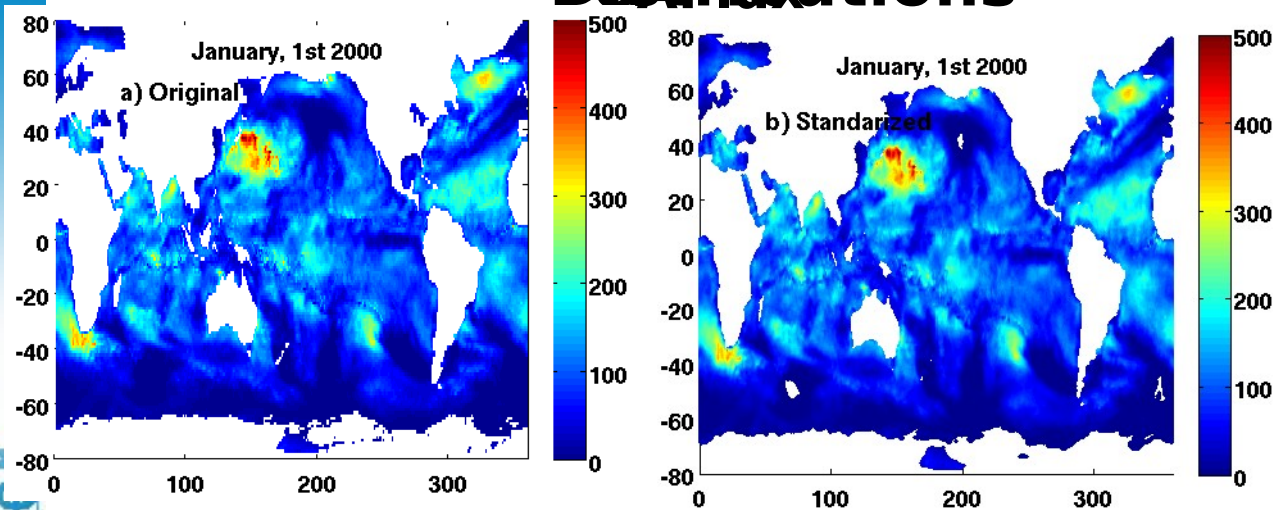


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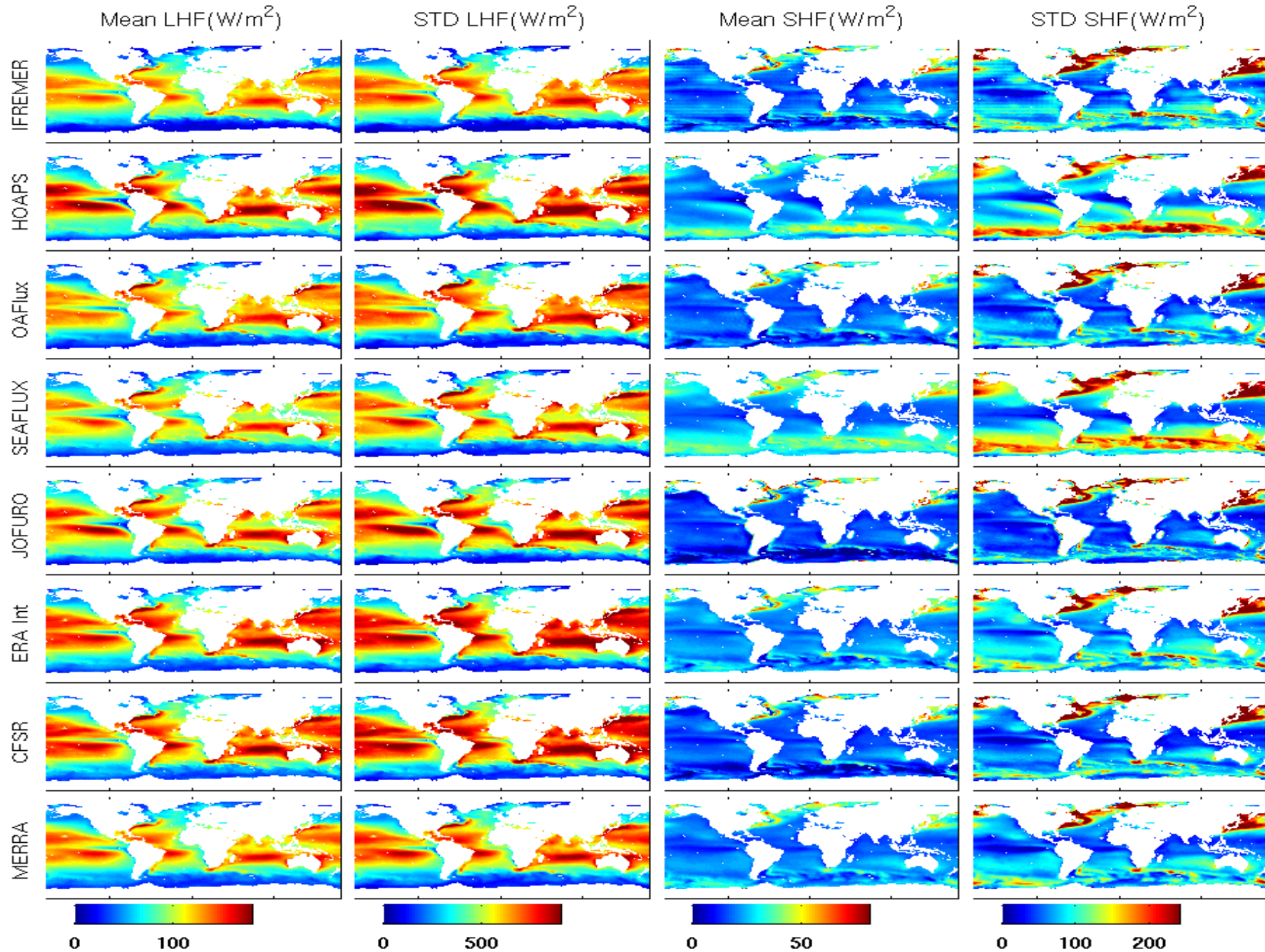
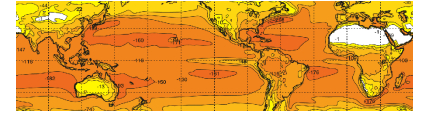
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Standardized Vs. Original Flux Distributions

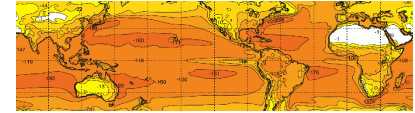


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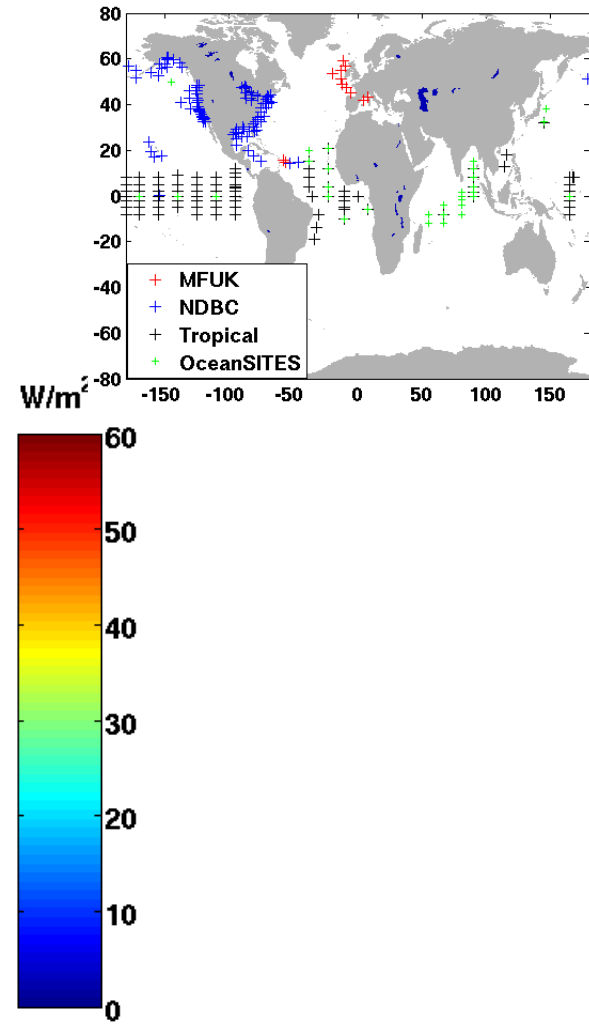
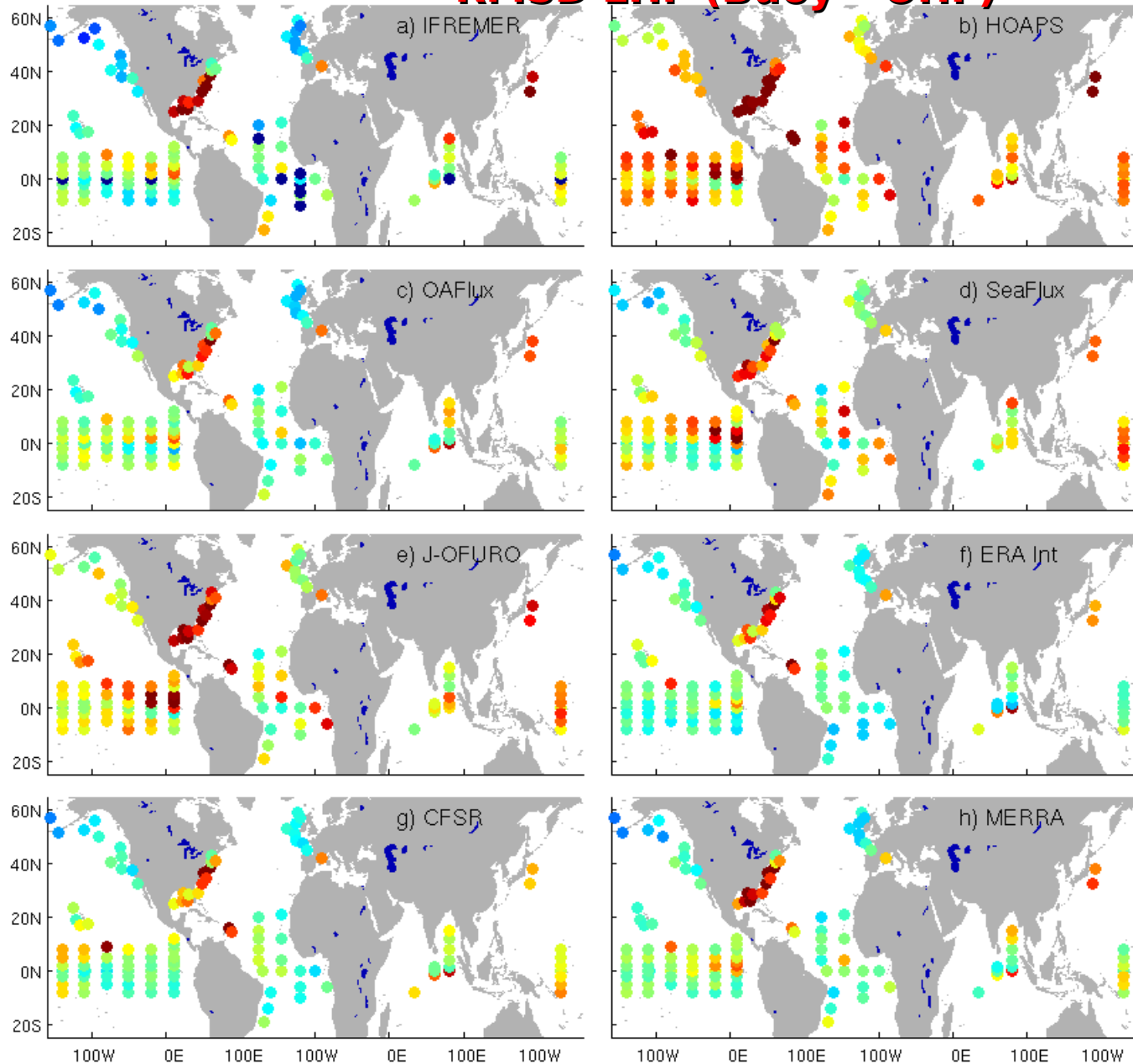


OHF LHF Product Accuracy

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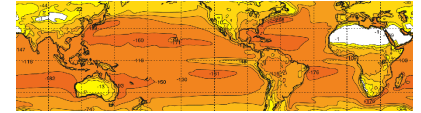


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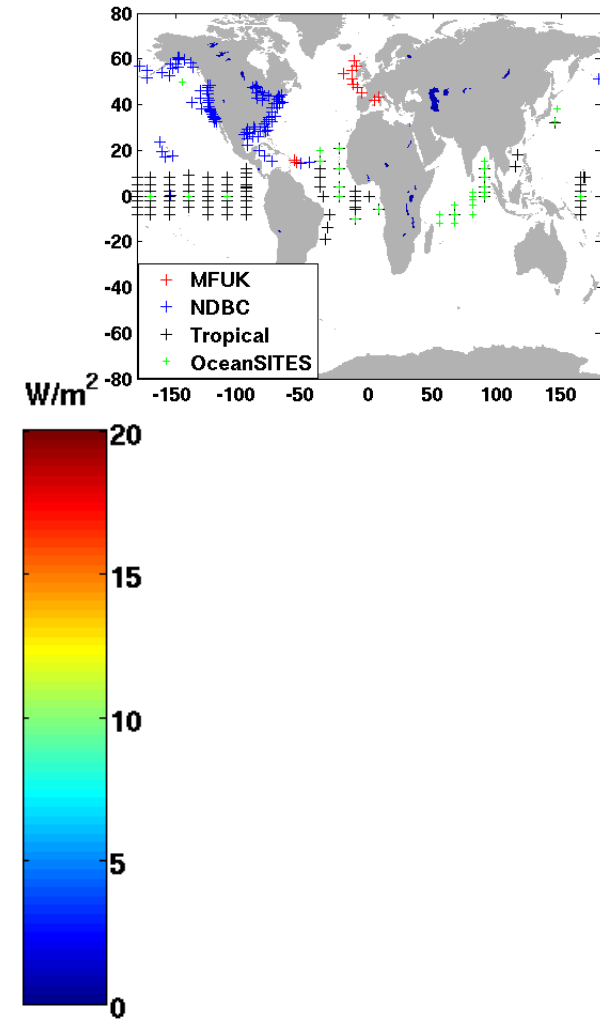
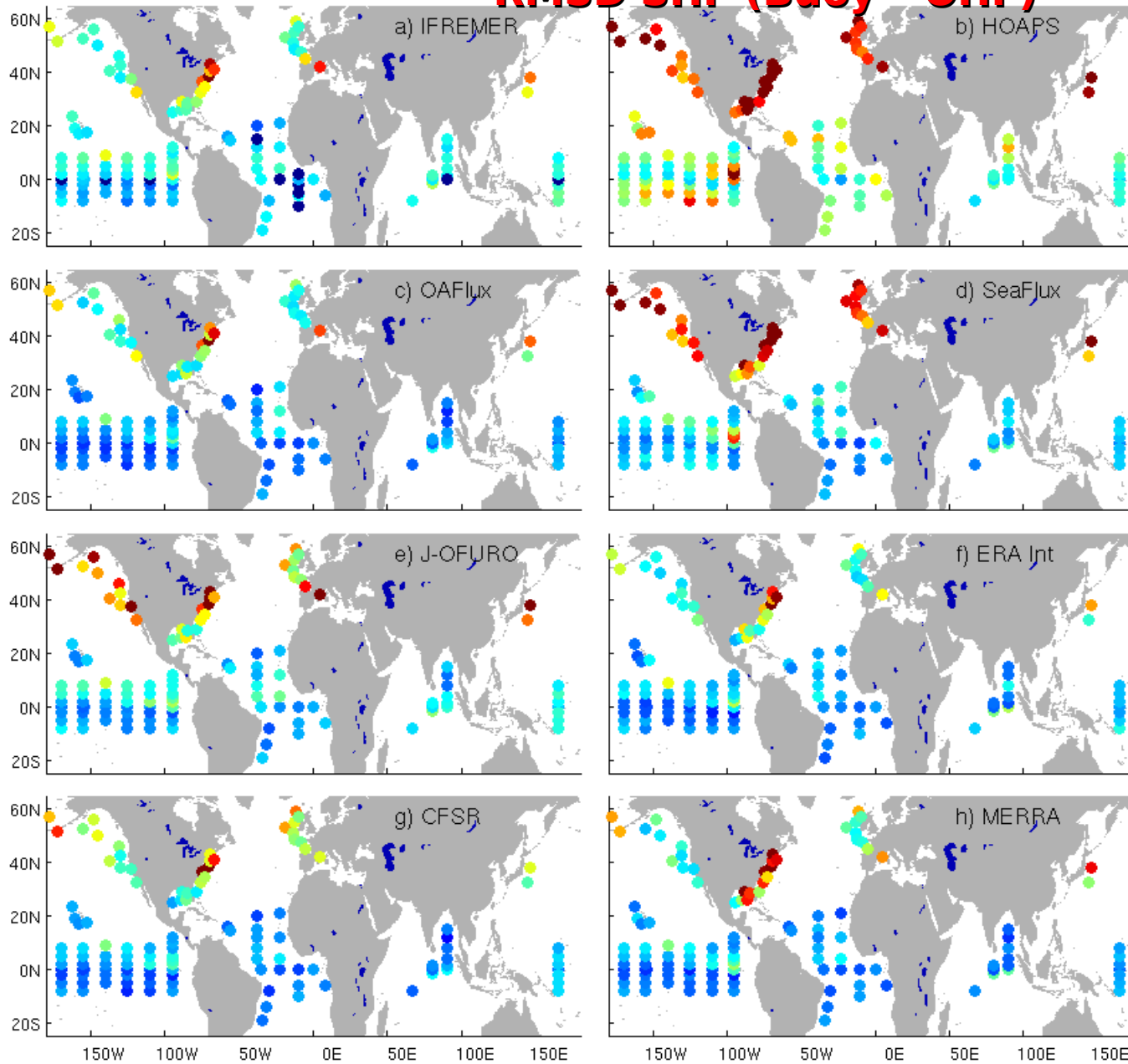


OHF SHF Product Accuracy

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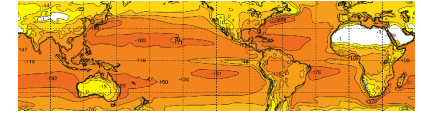


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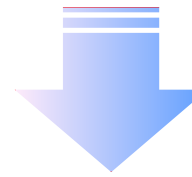


OHF Ensemble Determination

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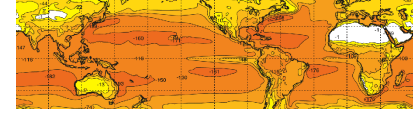
Error characteristics determined from in-situ and products comparison results



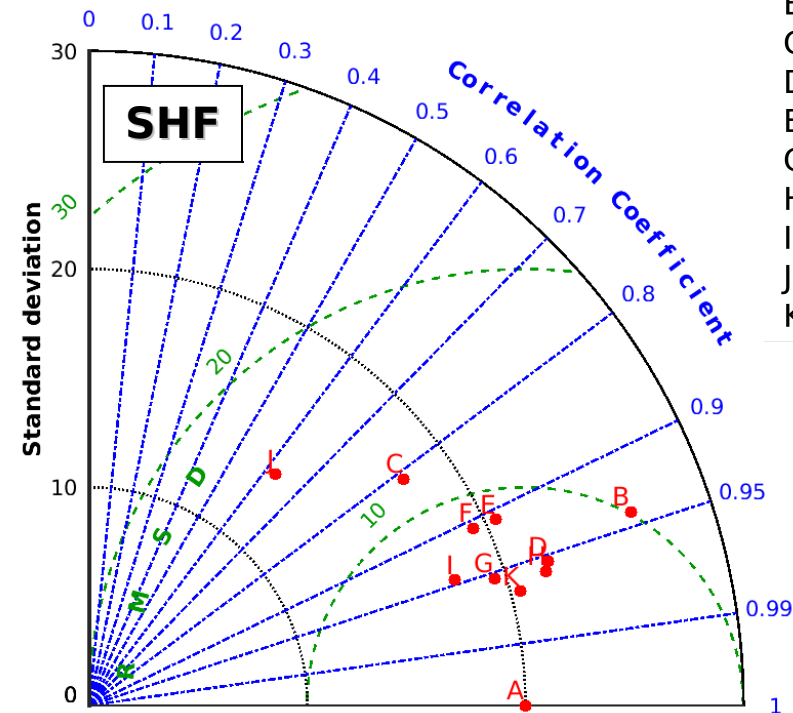
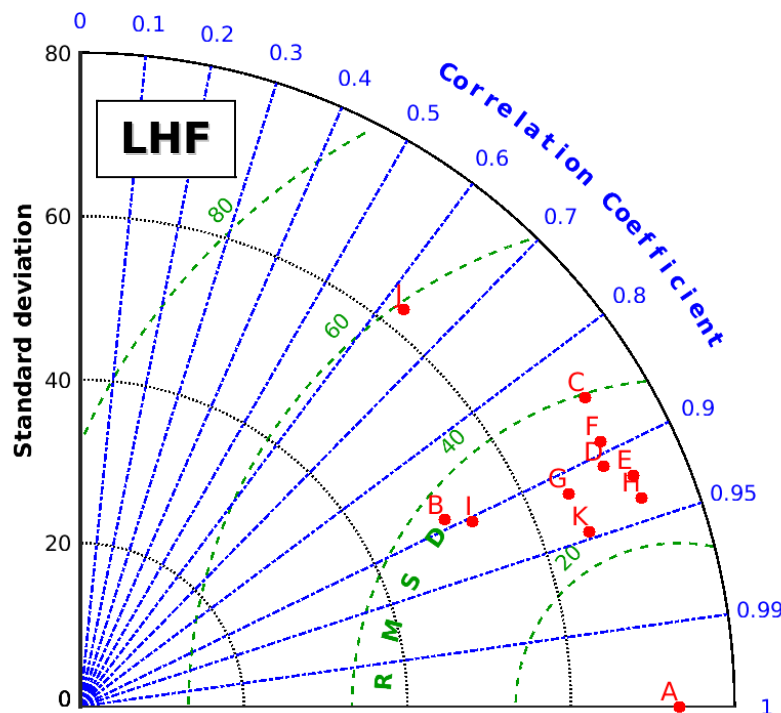
OHF MultiProduct Ensemble (OHF/MPE)

- **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

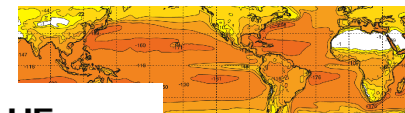


Taylor diagram summarizing the intercomparison results between daily OceanSites buoys and OHF a) LHF and b) SHF products calculated for the period 2000 - 2007



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

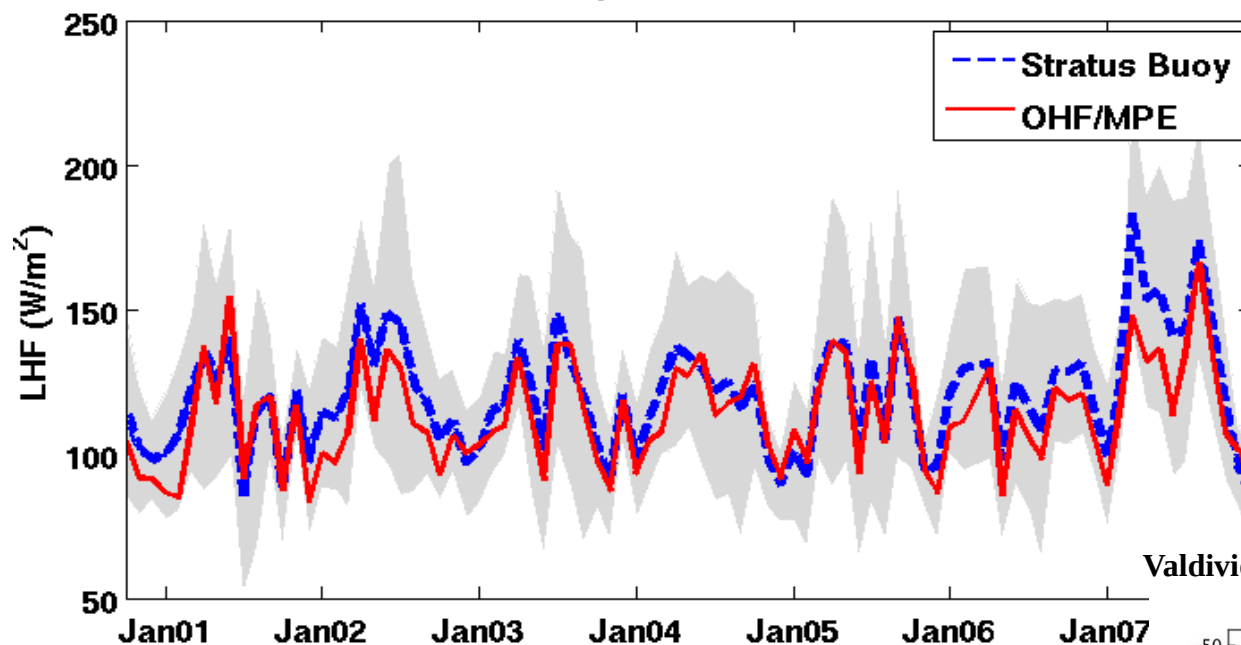
OHF LHF and SHF Time Series



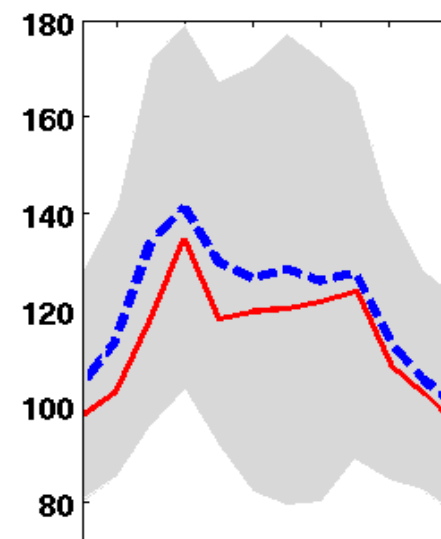
Stratus Buoy
19.9°S, 85.3°W
(WHOI),
Weller et al,
2014)



Monthly LHF Time Series

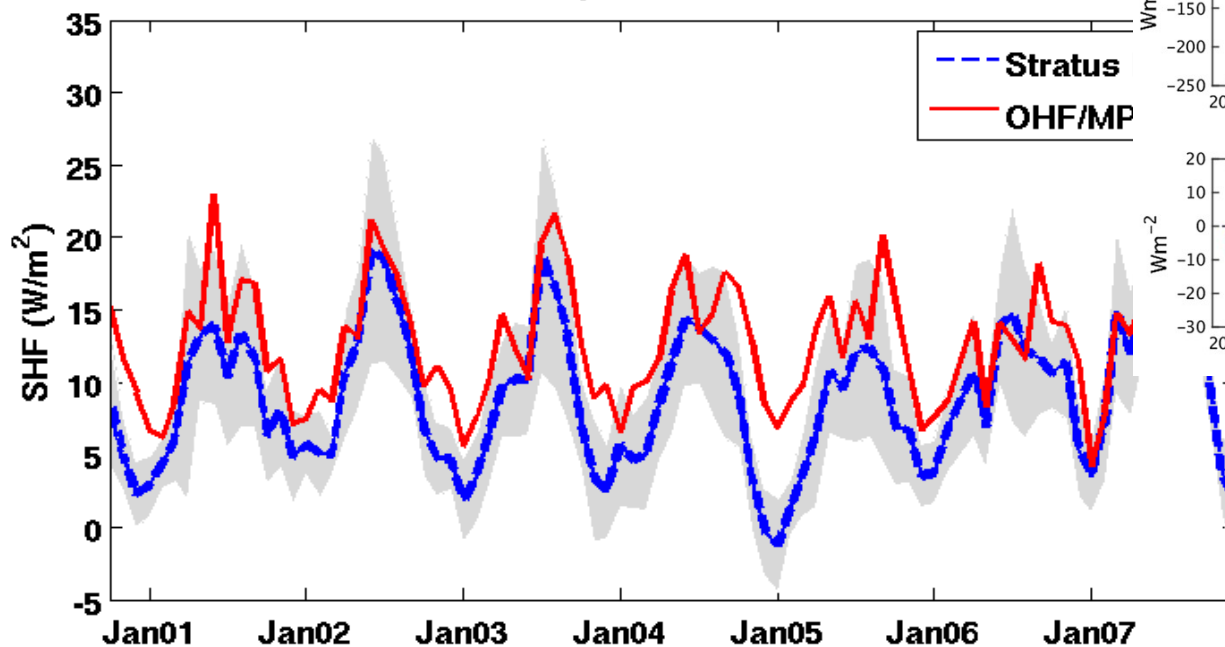


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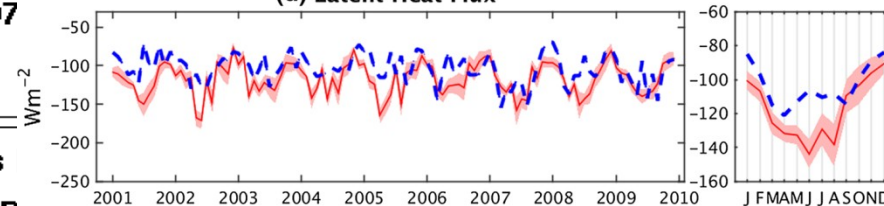


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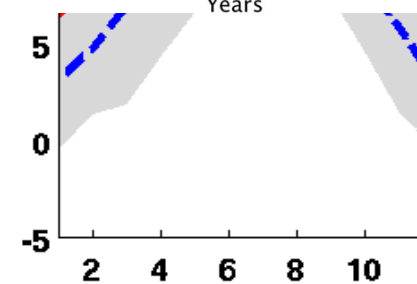
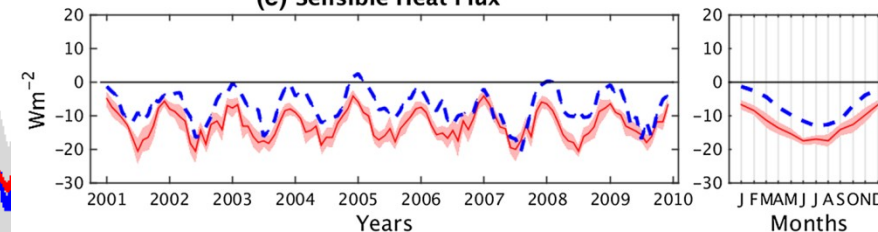
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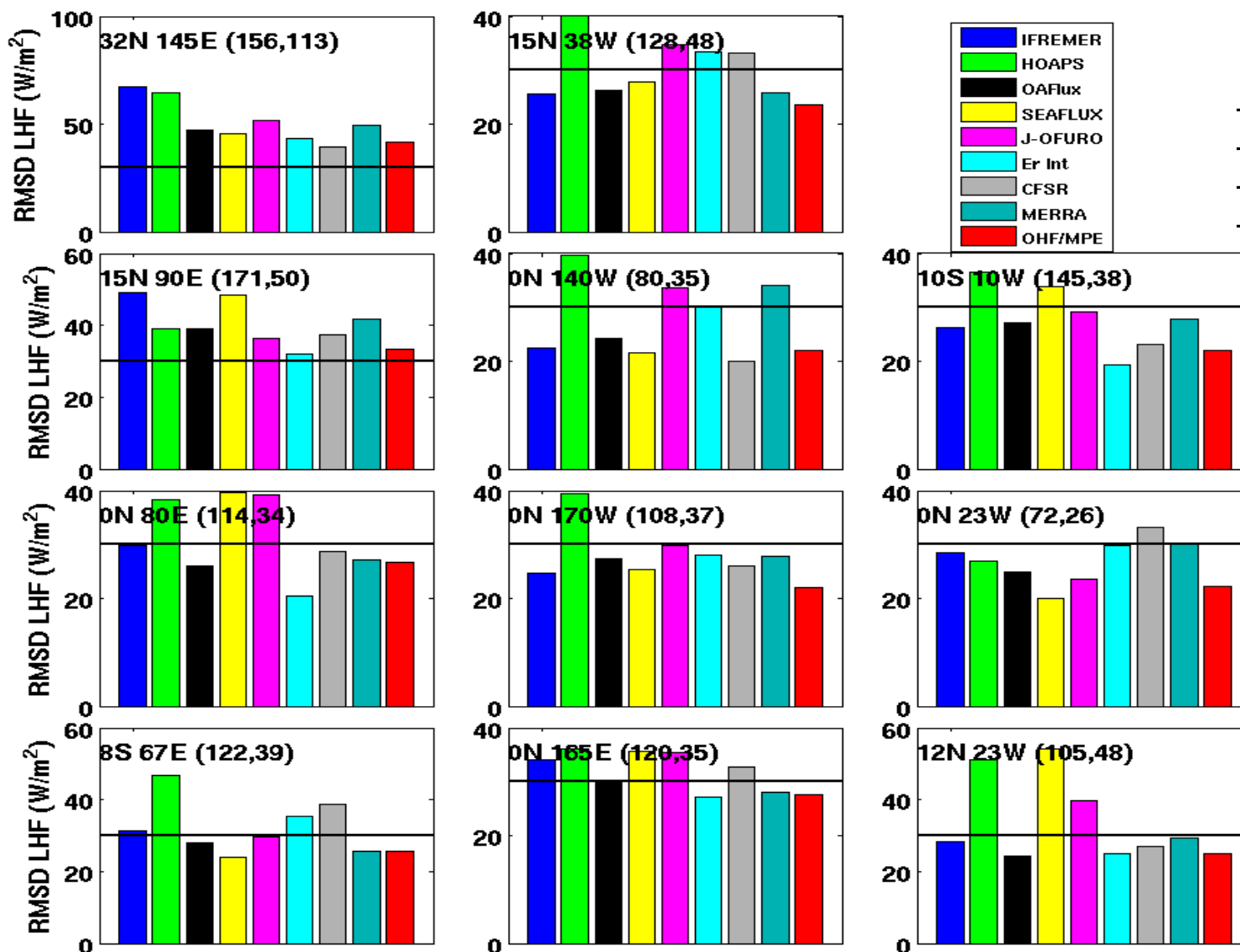
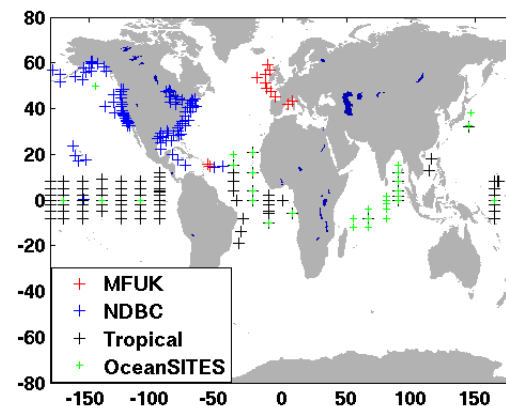
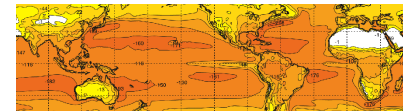
(d) Latent Heat Flux



(e) Sensible Heat Flux



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

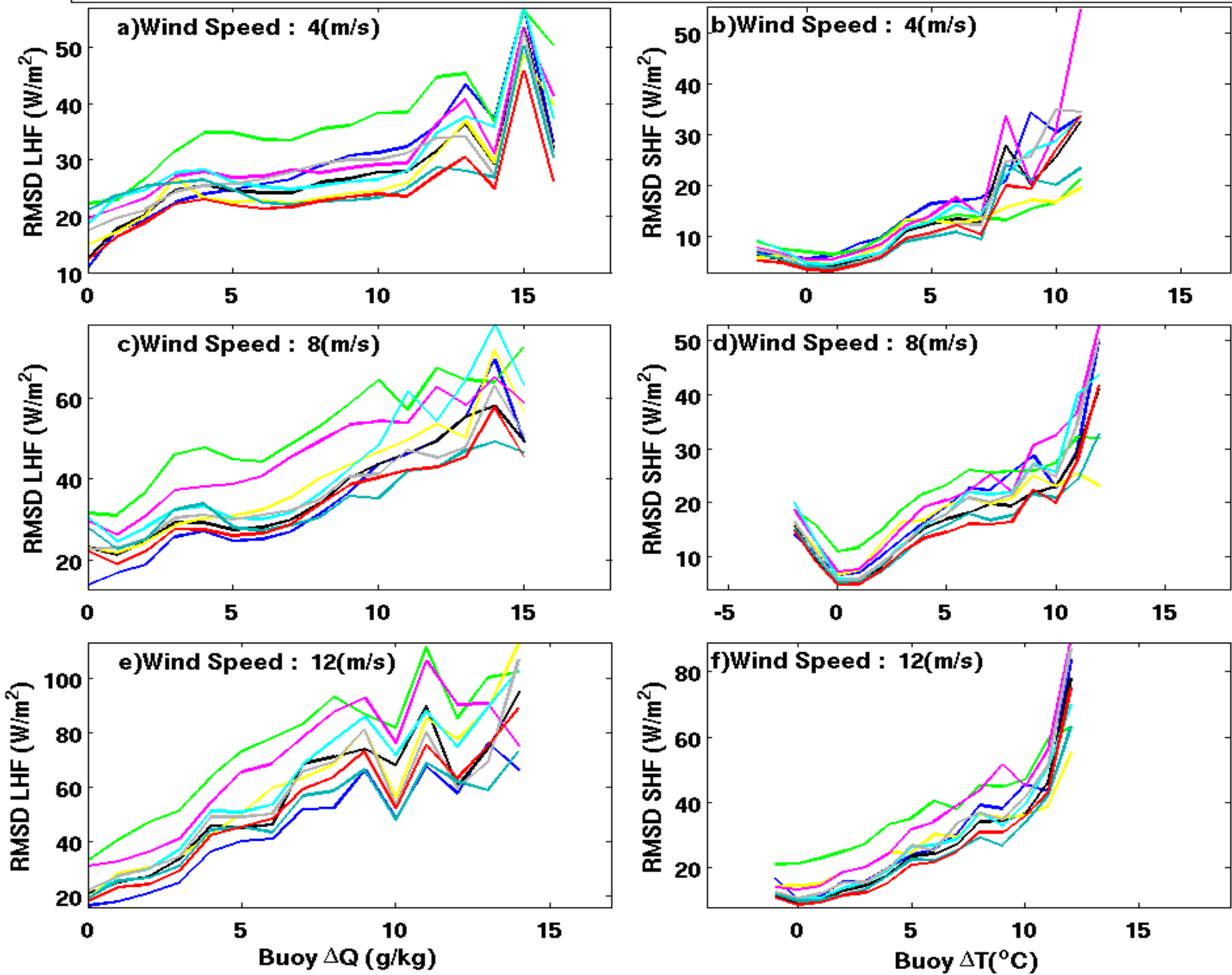
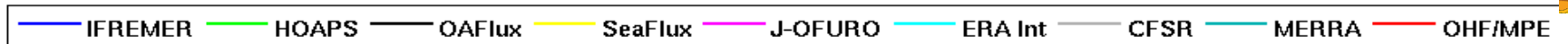
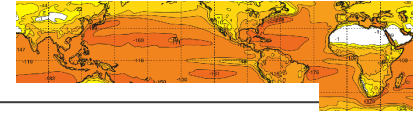


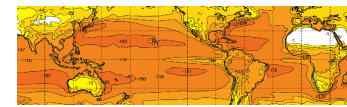
Error sources:

- Wind Speed
- Specific air humidity
- Air temperature
- ΔQ
- ΔT

LHF Accuracy as a Function of Bulk Variables

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Product Generation, Inter-Comparison and Uncertainty Characterizations

Evaluation of datasets and error characterization

➤ Estimation of flux uncertainties (Clayson *et al*, 2013)

$$\sigma_F = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}\right)^2 \sigma_x^2 + \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}\right)^2 \sigma_y^2 + 2r_{xy} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \frac{\partial F}{\partial y}\right) \sigma_x \sigma_y}$$

$F ==$ LHF or SHF Flux

x, y are:

- bulk variable (Wind speed, specific humidity, SST, T_a ,...) or
- Drag coefficients

r_{xy} correlation coefficient

• *Sys and ran* refer to the systematic and random components, respectively

• N is the sampling length of data collection.

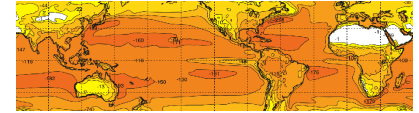
$$\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}\right)^2 \sigma_x^2 \Rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}\right)^2 \sigma_{x,sys}^2 + \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}\right)^2 \sigma_{x,ran}^2 (N^{-1/2})^2$$

➤ Total uncertainty for SHF as a function of U , $(T_s - T_a)$, and C_H

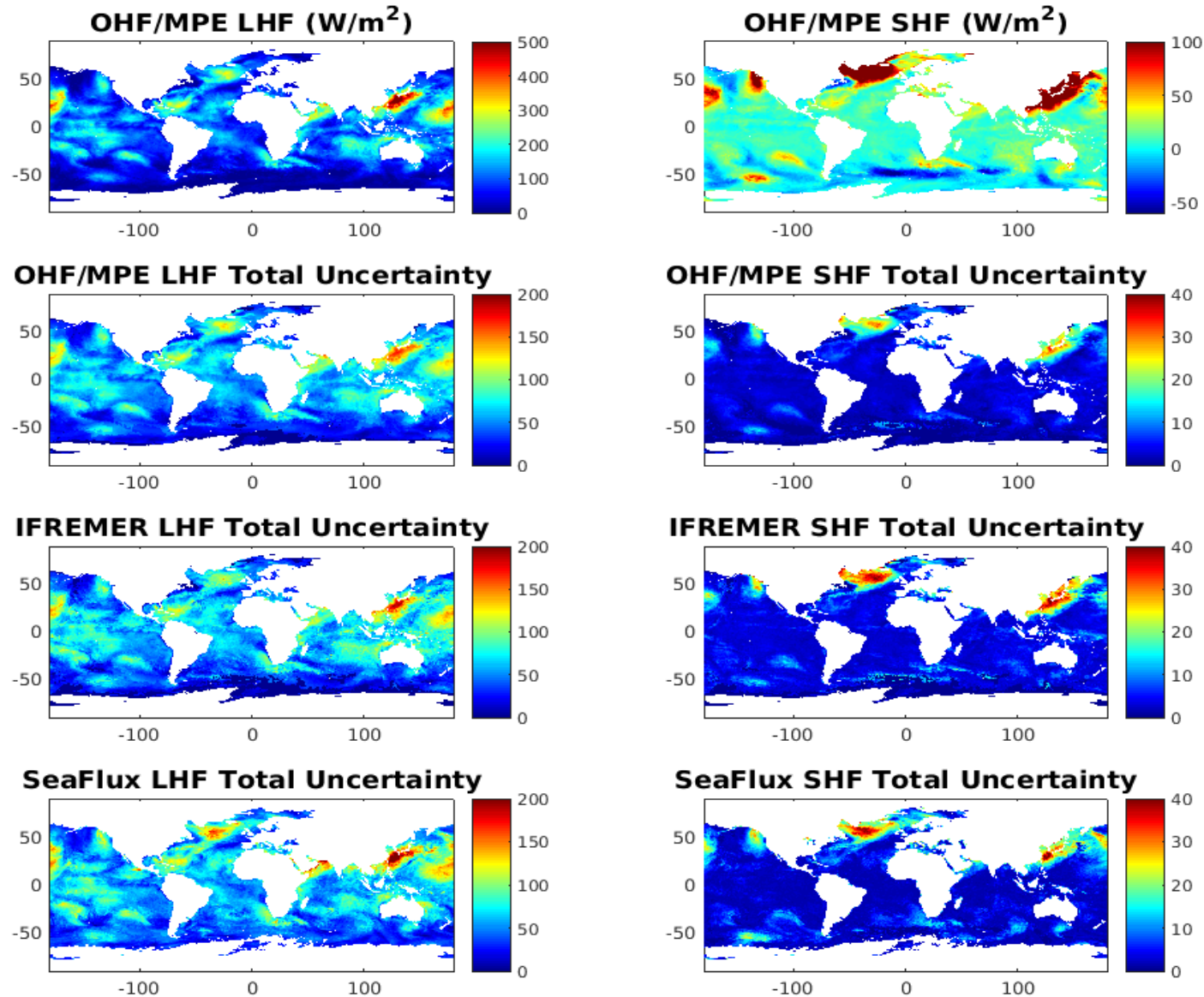
$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{SHF} = & [(\rho a C_p a U (T_s - T_a) \sigma_{CH,sys})^2 + (\rho a C_p a C_H (T_s - T_a) \sigma_{U,sys})^2 + \\ & (\rho a C_p a C_H U \sigma_{(Ts-Ta),sys})^2 + 2r_{(Ts-Ta),U} ((\rho a C_p a C_H)^2 (T_s - T_a) U \sigma_{(Ts-Ta),sys} \sigma_{U,sys}) + \\ & (\rho a C_p a U (T_s - T_a) \sigma_{CH,ran})^2 + (\rho a C_p a C_H (T_s - T_a) \sigma_{U,ran})^2 + (\rho a C_p a C_H U \sigma_{(Ts-Ta),ran})^2 \\ & + 2r_{(Ts-Ta),U} ((\rho a C_p a C_H) (T_s - T_a) U \sigma_{(Ts-Ta),ran} \sigma_{U,ran})]^{(1/2)} \end{aligned}$$

➤ Total uncertainty for LHF as a function of U , $(Q_s - Q_a)$, and C_E

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{LHF} = & [(\rho a L_v U (Q_s - Q_a) \sigma_{CE,sys})^2 + (\rho a L_v C_E (Q_s - Q_a) \sigma_{U,sys})^2 + (\rho a L_v C_E U \sigma_{(Qs-Qa),sys})^2 \\ & + 2r_{(Qs-Qa),U} ((\rho a L_v C_E)^2 (Q_s - Q_a) U \sigma_{(Qs-Qa),sys} \sigma_{U,sys}) + (\rho a L_v U (Q_s - Q_a) \sigma_{CE,ran})^2 + \\ & (\rho a L_v C_E (Q_s - Q_a) \sigma_{U,ran})^2 + (\rho a L_v C_E U \sigma_{(Qs-Qa),ran})^2 + 2r_{(Qs-Qa),U} ((\rho a L_v C_E) (Q_s - \\ & Q_a) U \sigma_{(Qs-Qa),ran} \sigma_{U,ran})]^{(1/2)} \end{aligned}$$

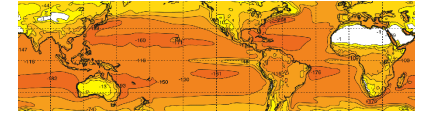


Total Uncertainty Estimated for OHF/MPE, IFREMER, and SeaFlux *for January, 1st 2005*



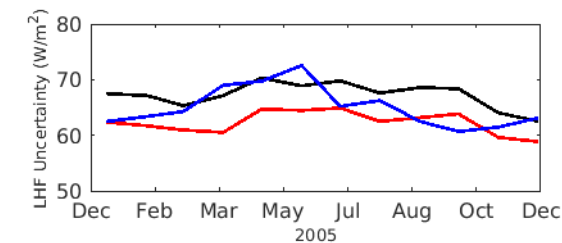
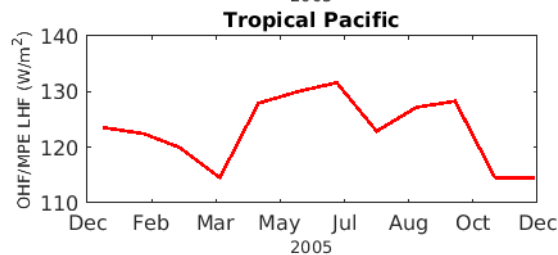
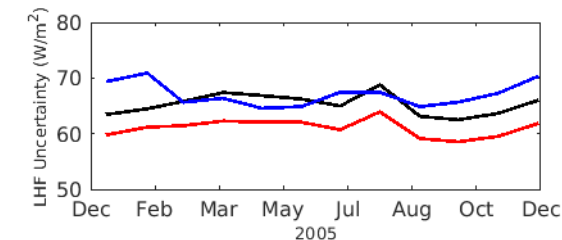
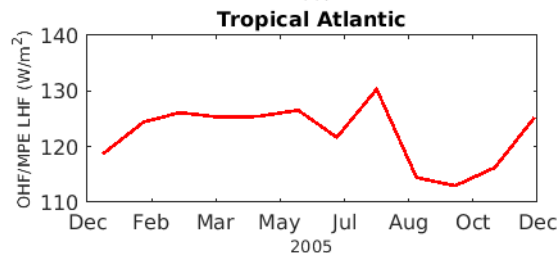
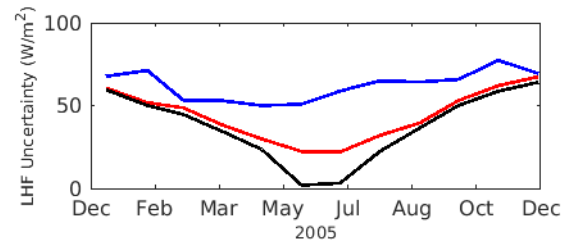
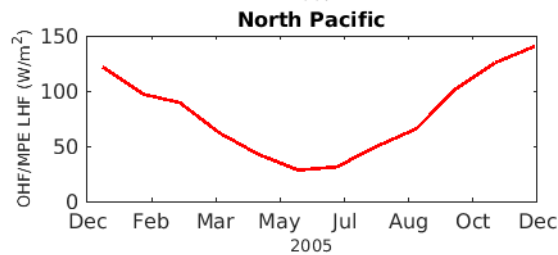
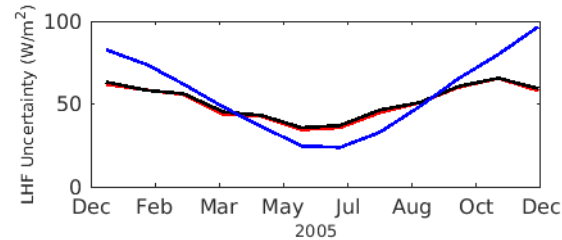
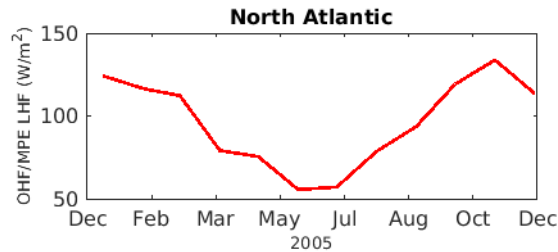
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Monthly LHF

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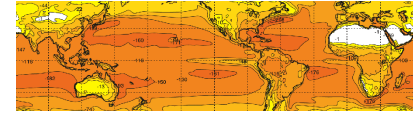


OHF/MPE
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Uncertainties of OHF LHF and SHF Products

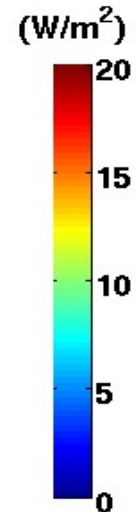
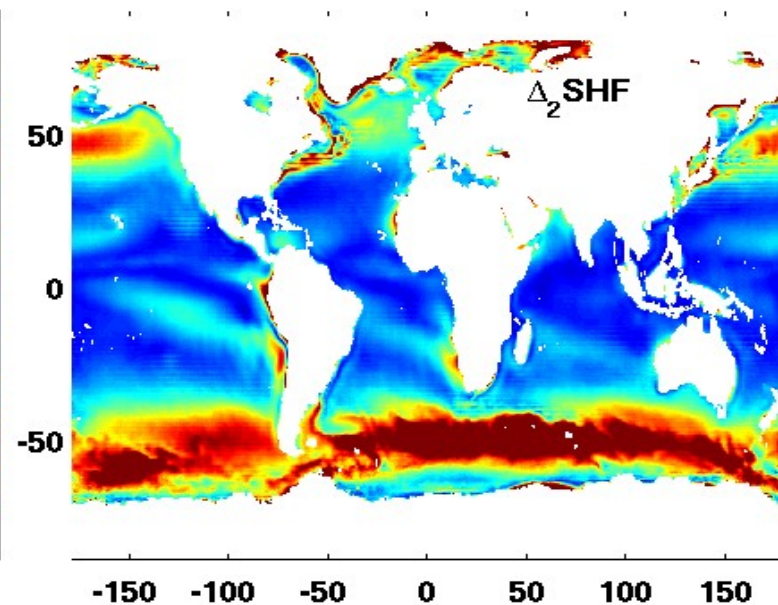
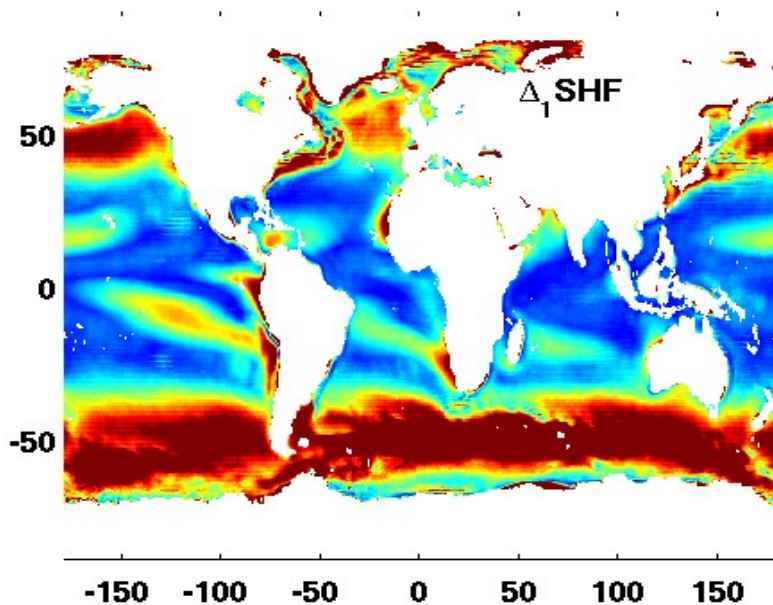
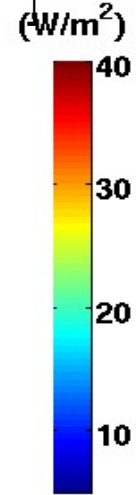
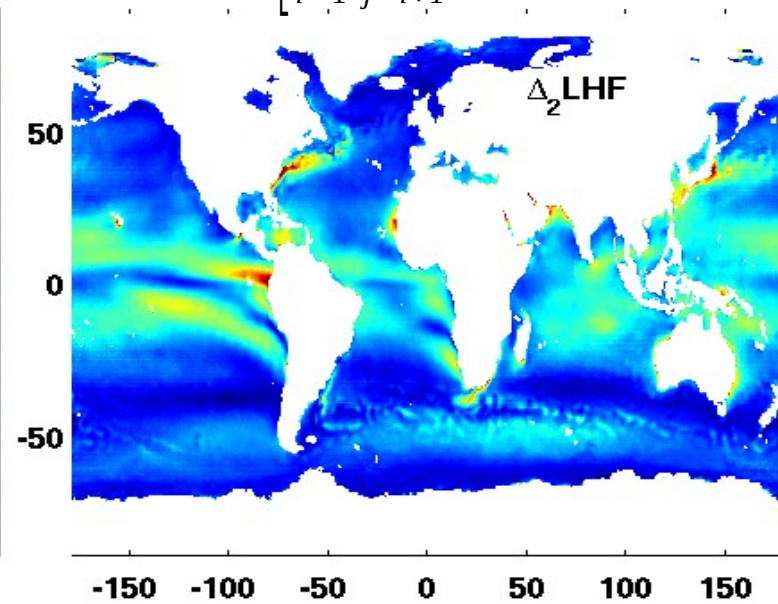
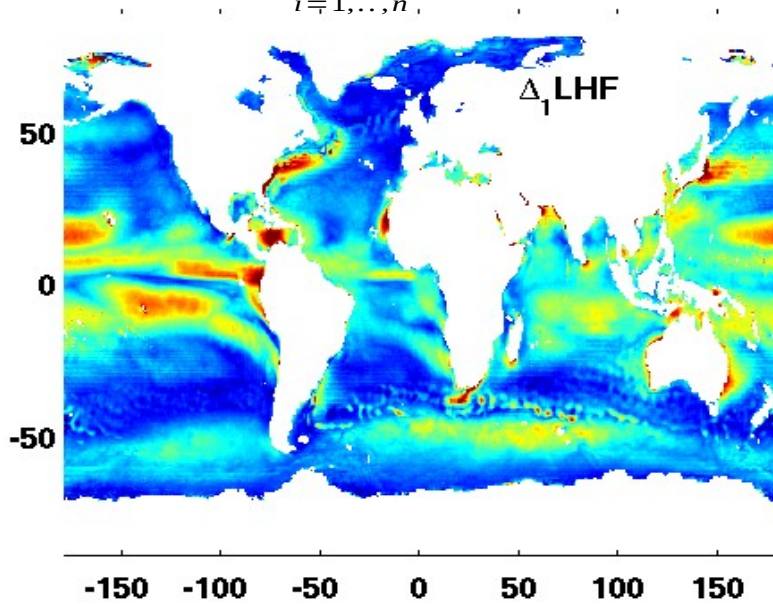
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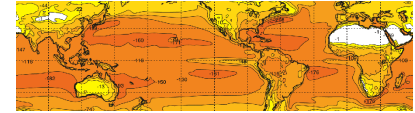
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$$\Delta_1 OHF = \max_{i=1, \dots, n} (|OHF_i - MPE|)$$

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





Summary

Results meet the main OHF requirements (WCRP, CLIVAR,...):

- ✓ **Determination of accuracy of existing satellite and NWP fluxes through direct pointwise comparisons with selected high accurate flux measurements such as derived from OCEANSITE and from dedicated experiments.**
- ✓ **Characterization of flux accuracy depending on atmospheric and oceanic conditions.**
- ✓ **Investigation of the impact of uncertainties of input variables and bulk parameterizations on the flux accuracy.**
- ✓ **Determination of the effect of spatial and temporal sampling on the resulting flux quality at global and regional scales.**
- ✓ **Development of an innovative *ensemble* approach to generate multiple realizations of EO based flux products. It should combine the existing data sets, the latest improvements in bulk formulations and associated input data, and the most recent efforts in the climate quality (e.g. CCI) re-processing of EO data.**
- ✓ **Assessment of the new flux quality based on the comparison with in-situ data.**
- ✓ **Development of Web-based interfaces to facilitate access to daily averaged and higher resolution heat fluxes and meteorological state variables from mooring sites and satellites.**

OHF Related Publications

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Improvement Requirements : Considered Methods

- Using the new reprocessed ICOADS (Freeman *et al*, 2017)
 - ✧ Calibration and validation of model relating brightness temperature and Q_a
- Using the new reprocessed surface wind field analyses (Desbiolles *et al*, 2017)
 - ✧ Homogenization of satellite retrievals
- Assessment of Air Temperature accuracy
 - ✧ Comparison to remotely sensed T_a estimates (e.g. Jackson and Wick, 2010)
- Assessment of SST and Air Temperature consistency
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Improvement Requirements : Considered Methods

Regarding Bulk approach for Estimating OHF at Global scale:

Reprocessing Qa

**Reprocessing Satellite Wind
Retrievals**

**Long Time Series of OHF over Global Ocean
1992 - 2012**

**Accuracy investigation at
various spatial and temporal
scales**

Accuracy Issue

R/V REVELLE for DYNAMO 2011

