## The Use of CERES/ERBE data at NCEP/CPC

\* AO/AAO and ERBS OLR

\* MRF and CERES

Shi-Keng Yang A. Jim Miller Shuntai Zhou Yu-Tai Hou Ken Campana

26th CERES Science Team Meeting Williamsburg, Virginia 05/14~16/02







From L & H (2001), SAM wind (contours) and mean meridional circulation (vectors). High-Low composite. Left: GFDL; Right NCAR/NCEP



From L & H (2001), NAM wind (contours) and mean meridional circulation (vectors). High-Low composite. Left: GFDL; Right NCAR/NCEP





Composites of OLR anomalies by AO





-7.0 -6.1 -5.2 -4.3 -3.4 -2.5 -1.6 -0.7 0.2 1.1 2.0 2.9 3.8 4.7 5.6 6.5







-7.0 -6.1 -5.2 -4.3 -3.4 -2.5 -1.6 -0.7 0.2 1.1 2.0 2.9 3.8 4.7 5.6 6.5





-7.0 -5.8 -4.6 -3.4 -2.2 -1.0 0.2 1.4 2.6 3.8 5.0 6.2 7.4 8.6 9.8 11.0



-7.0 -6.1 -5.2 -4.3 -3.4 -2.5 -1.6 -0.7 0.2 1.1 2.0 2.9 3.8 4.7 5.6 6.5





-7.0 -5.8 -4.6 -3.4 -2.2 -1.0 0.2 1.4 2.6 3.8 5.0 6.2 7.4 8.6 9.8 11.0



-7.0 -6.1 -5.2 -4.3 -3.4 -2.5 -1.6 -0.7 0.2 1.1 2.0 2.9 3.8 4.7 5.6 6.5



#### To test statistical confidence

- Random AO Index & AAO Indexes are generated for the ERBS period.
- Composite the months with > 1-std.

Sample size:

AO (H) 23AO (L) 19AAO (H) 25AAO (L) 25

- Spatial mean and std are calculated.
- Regions beyond 2- std (spatial) are re-plotted.—> 95% confidence level.

Composites of OLR anomalies by AO



-7.0 -5.8 -4.6 -3.4 -2.2 -1.0 0.2 1.4 2.6 3.8 5.0 6.2 7.4 8.6 9.8 11.0



-7.0 -6.1 -5.2 -4.3 -3.4 -2.5 -1.6 -0.7 0.2 1.1 2.0 2.9 3.8 4.7 5.6 6.5





-7.0 -5.8 -4.6 -3.4 -2.2 -1.0 0.2 1.4 2.6 3.8 5.0 6.2 7.4 8.6 9.8 11.0



-7.0 -6.1 -5.2 -4.3 -3.4 -2.5 -1.6 -0.7 0.2 1.1 2.0 2.9 3.8 4.7 5.6 6.5



Composites of OLR anomalies by AO



-7.0 -5.8 -4.6 -3.4 -2.2 -1.0 0.2 1.4 2.6 3.8 5.0 6.2 7.4 8.6 9.8 11.0



-7.0 -6.1 -5.2 -4.3 -3.4 -2.5 -1.6 -0.7 0.2 1.1 2.0 2.9 3.8 4.7 5.6 6.5





-7.0 -5.8 -4.6 -3.4 -2.2 -1.0 0.2 1.4 2.6 3.8 5.0 6.2 7.4 8.6 9.8 11.0



-7.0 -6.1 -5.2 -4.3 -3.4 -2.5 -1.6 -0.7 0.2 1.1 2.0 2.9 3.8 4.7 5.6 6.5



#### Summary:

- On 2-D analysis, ERBS OLR shows significant AO signals over the tropics and the subtropics. Similar features also appear on Reanlaysis.
- High AO and Low AO phases are anti-correlated over Spain and northern Indian Ocean.
- Tropical Pacific is AO phase dependent, but high and low phases are not correlated.
- AAO signal is less influential but over Western Pacific and Southeast part of South America.

# The Use of CERES/ERBE data at NCEP/CPC

\* MRF and CERES

## **Cloud Prediction Scheme**

Previous Model

- Diagnostic cloud scheme: no model carried cloud Prognostic variable.

Slingo type convective cloud
RTNEPH tuned stratiform cloud
Campana et al. (1994); Slingo (1987)
Mitchell & Hahn (1989)

Prognostic cloud scheme:
cloud condensate q<sub>c</sub> as model
caried variable:

$$\frac{\partial q_c}{\partial t} = -v \cdot \nabla q_c - \sigma \frac{\partial q_c}{\partial \sigma} + S_c + S_g - P - E + F_{q_c}$$

Zhao & Carr (1997); Sundqvist et al. (1989)

- One type cloud cover:

Current Model

 $C = f(RH, q_{c}, q^{*})$ Xu & Randall (1996)

# **Radiation Calculation Scheme**

Current Model

- LW: GFDL model ( $H_2O$ ,  $CO_2$ ,  $O_3$ )

Schwarzkophf & Fels (1991, 1985)

- SW: Chou's model  $(H_2O, CO_2, O_3, O_2)$ 

4 - uv and visible bands

1 or 3 near-ir bands Chou (1992, 1990), Chou & Lee (1996) Hou et al. (1996)

- Aerosols: No aerosols effect

- Surface Albedo: Global climatology Based on surface vegetation types Briegleb et al. (1986), Briegleb (1992), Hou at al. (2002)

- Same GFDL model \* upgrade to AER's RRTM in progress Mlawer et al. (1997 - Same but updated 8 - uv and visible bands 1 or 3 near-ir bands Chou & Suarez (1999) Hou at al. (2002)
  - OPAC global climatology Hess et al. (1998)
  - Same model

## **Cloud Optical Properties**

Previous Model

Current Model

- SW:

 $\tau = f(T_c, \Delta p_c)$   $\omega_v = prescribed values$  $g_v = prescribed values$   $\begin{aligned} \tau_v &= f\left(CWP, r_e, v\right) \\ \omega_v &= f\left(r_e, v\right) \\ g_v &= f\left(r_e, v\right) \\ r_e &= f\left(CWP, T_c, q\right) \end{aligned}$ 

Harshvardhan et al. (1989)

Slingo (1989); Chou et al. (1998) Heymsfield & McFarquhar (1996)

- LW:  $\varepsilon = 1 - e^{-a\tau}$ 

Harshvardhan et al. (1989)

 $\varepsilon = 1 - e^{-b\tau}$  $\tau = f(CWP, r_e)$ Kiehl et al. (1998)



















NCEP Model OLR - AVHRR JJA '00



NCEP Model OLR - CERES JJA '01



NCEP Model OLR - AVHRR JJA '01





RSW Jun01 GDAS-CERES %



# CERES Cloud Frac Jun 2001









#### *Not Normalized by cloud* GDAS Cloud Water Jun 2001





CERES Cloud Water Jun 2001







#### Summary:

- 1. New model physics in cloud/radiation parameterizations results in better model performance (forecast skill, Storm tracking, etc.), but tipped lower level temperature bias in the winter.
- Overall model radiative fluxes are improved: At TOA, model fluxes are within or close to the uncertainties of the observations. At SFC are close to the uncertainties of the retrieval algorithms (regional differences still large).
- Model cloud properties are still ambiguous. To improve the tropical cloud prediction, and cloud radiative properties, EMC need to save more model diagnostic parameters for the comparisons against ever increasing observations.