

Years of the Maritime Continent (YMC) – Current & Future

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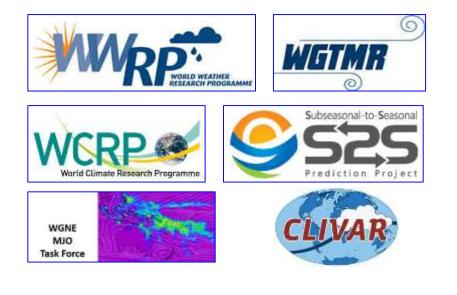
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- 1) What is the YMC?
- 2) Field Campaigns Intensive Observation Periods (IOPs)
- 3) Data Management
- 4) Concluding Remarks

Endorsements

YMC has been endorsed by the following international organizations.

WMO/WWRP	since Nov. 2015
WMO/WWRP/WGTMR	since Nov. 2015
WCRP+WWRP/S2S	since Apr. 2016
WCRP+CAS/WGNE/MJOTF	since June 2016
WCRP/CLIVAR	since Mar. 2017





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Our ref.: 4475-16/WCRP/ARE

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GENEVA, 20 June 2016

Subject: Support letter, Years of the Maritime Continent (YMC) international project

Dear Professor Zhang and Dr Yoneyama,

On behalf of co-chairs of the Working Group on Numerical Experimentation (WGNE), Drs Keith Williams and Ayrton Zadra, we eagerly support the Years of the Maritime Continent (YMC) international project, which is expected to contribute significantly to the work of the WGNE Madden-Julian Oscillation Task Force (MJOTF), WGNE is a joint effort from the World Climate Research Programme (WCRP) and the WMO Commission for Atmospheric Sciences (CAS).

The MJOTF was recently renewed in early 2016 for a term of three years, including an explicit reference to advance our understanding of MJO interactions with the Maritime Continent (MC) so as to facilitate improvements in model bias and foster better subseasonal predictions across the MC and the globe. To foster this initiative, the MJOTF has a joint subproject with the Seasonal to Subseasonal (S2S) prediction project related to the MC. Both S2S and the MJOTF deem the interaction of the MC with the MJO a high research priority that has significant bearing on addressing shortcomings and improving operational MJO predictions, and because of the importance of region as a source for the global teleconnections of the MJO, enhanced extra-tropical prediction on sub-seasonal timescales.

While furthering process understanding of MJO-MC interactions that leads to enhanced predictions is one motivating principle of MJOTF activities related to the MC, current practicalities and opportunities have also inspired our recent efforts. In particular, the presence of existing modelling resource to bring to bear on MJO-MC interactions, as well as the impending YMC field project, have provided immediate impetus to this effort. We look forward to working with you and others involved in YMC to help refine the objectives of the field campaign and exploit the significant process study data to address deficiencies in our understanding, and make scientific progress through collaborative observational and modelling activities.

In summary, we envision the YMC project as being an important component of our MJOTF activities related to the Maritime Continent over the next several years, and wholeheartedly support the YMC project and science plan.

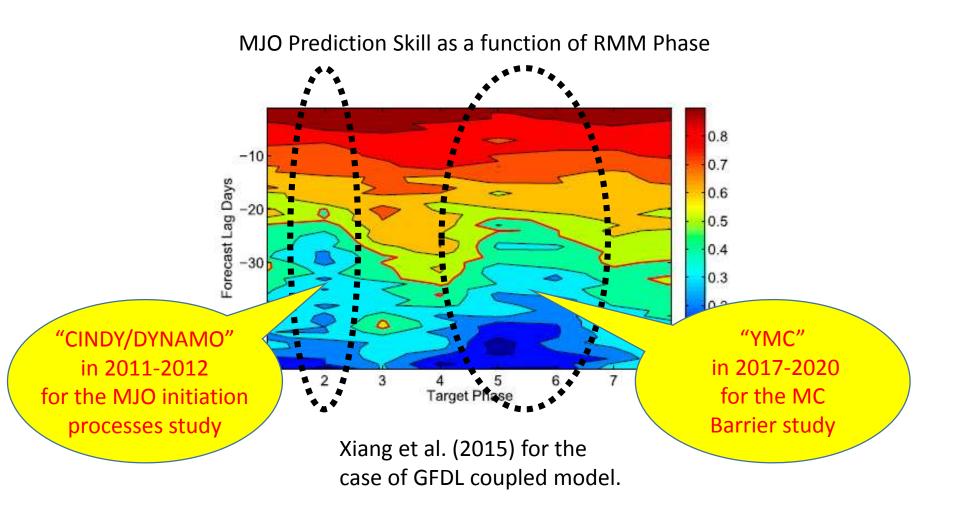
Yours sincerely,

(D. Carlson) Director, World Climate Research Programme

(D. Terblanche) Director, Atmospheric Research and Environment Branch

cc: Drs Keith Williams and Aviton Zadra, Co-Chairs WGNE Drs Steve Woolnough and Eric Maloney, Co-Chairs MJOTF

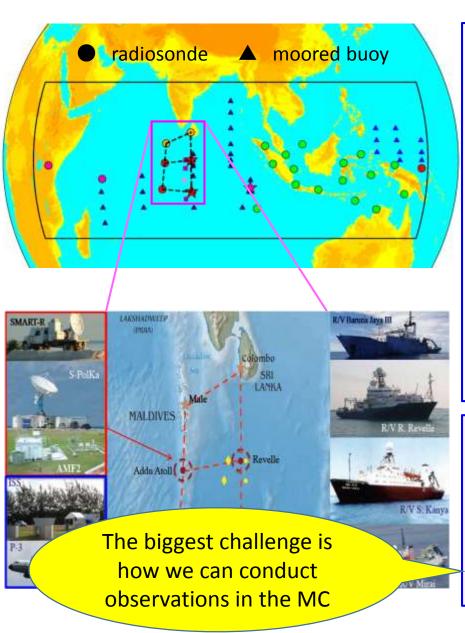






CINDY/DYNAMO





Purpose:

Collecting in-situ observations

to advance our understanding of the initiation process to improve the skill of the MJO simulation & prediction

Intensive Observing Period:

October 2011 - January 2012

Participants:

69 institutes/universities from Australia, France, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kenya, Korea, Maldives, Papua New Guinea, Seychelles, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, UK, and USA

http://www.jamstec.go.jp/iorgc/cindy/ https://www.eol.ucar.edu/field_projects/dynamo/

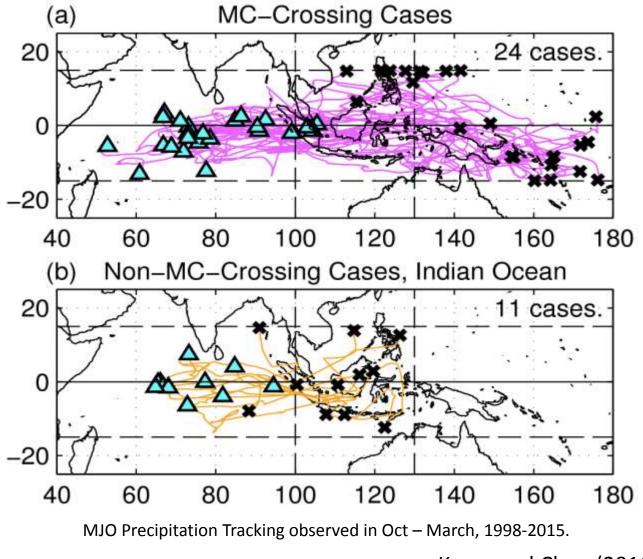
Special remarks:

- C/D captured many MJO events. In particular, Nov. event is selected as one of benchmarks for modeling project "Vertical structure and physical processes of the MJO" owing to rich and high-quality observations.
- 2) Through the campaign, international community could establish a good relationship with the MC countries.



MC Barrier Effect onto the MJO

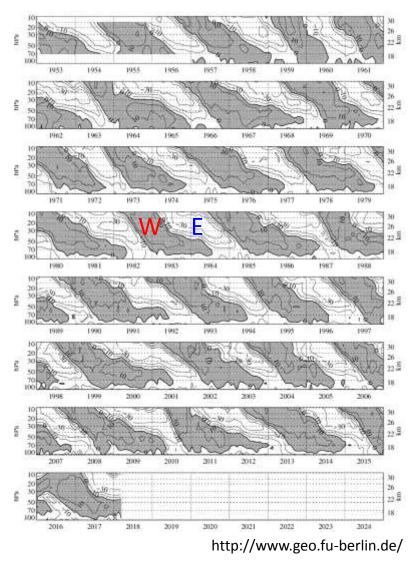
About 30% failed to pass by the MC region.

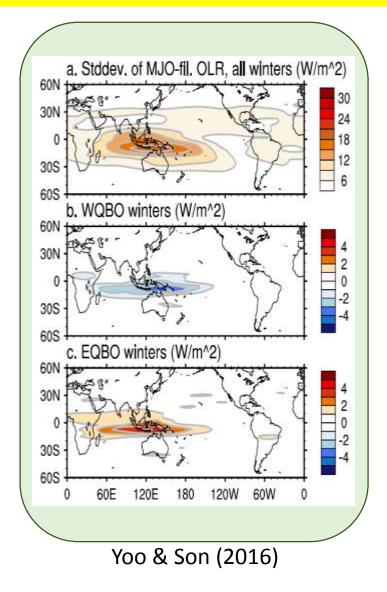


Kerns and Chen (2016)

MJO vs. Stratosphere - QBO may affect the MJO

MJO activity over the MC in the boreal winter is active in QBO Easterly phase than Westerly.





QBO (Quasi-Biennial Oscillation):

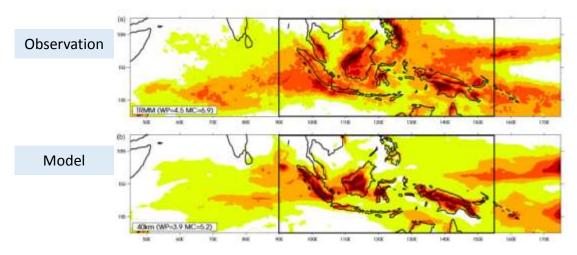
Alternate zonal wind pattern in the equatorial stratosphere with 24-30 months cycle.



Motivation

Purpose

To expedite progress of improving our understanding and prediction skill of local multi-scale variability of the MC weather-climate systems and its global impact.



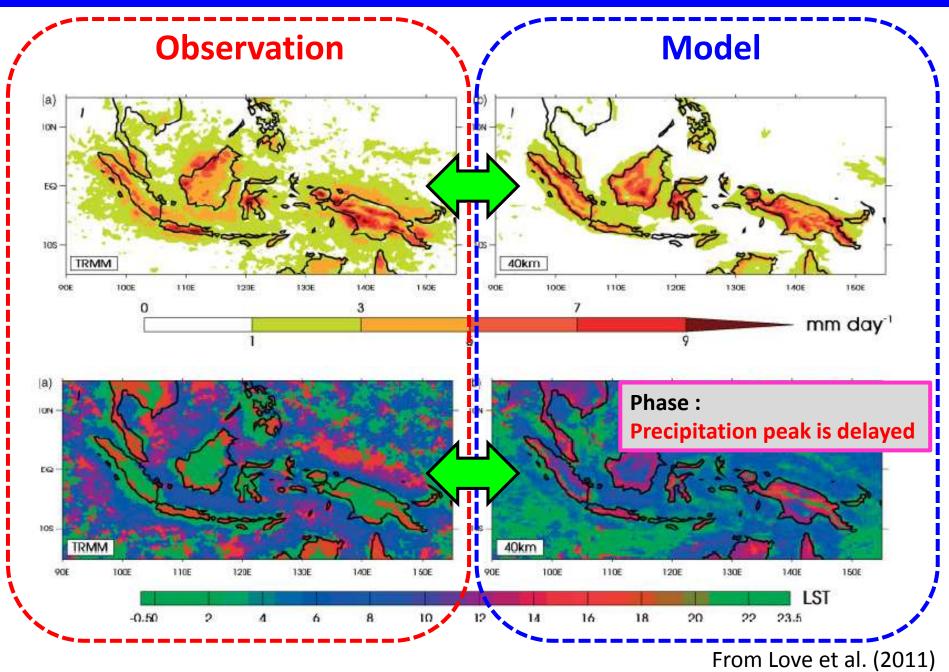
State-of-the-art numerical models suffer from systematic errors of rainfall estimation

Comparison of monthly mean rainfall for February. Taken from Love et al. (2011)

Main Science Themes

- 1) Atmospheric convection (ex. Diurnal cycle, MJO, monsoon)
- 2) Ocean and air-sea interaction
- 3) Stratosphere-troposphere interaction
- 4) Aerosols
- 5) Prediction

Diurnal Cycle is still a big challenge





Period

July 2017 – July 2019 February 2020

Participants as of July 2017

Over 70 institutes/universities from Australia, China, France, Germany, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Palau, Philippines, Poland, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, UK, US, Vietnam

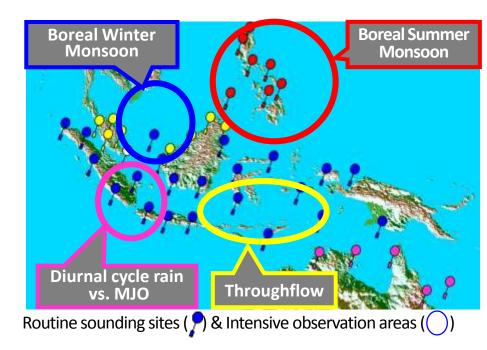
Web sites

Main	http://www.bmkg.go.id/ymc/
Ancillary	http://www.jamstec.go.jp/ymc/



Main Activities

- 1) Data sharing
- 2) Field campaign
- 3) Modeling
- 4) Prediction and applications
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Basic Strategy

- YMC campaign consists of
- 1) Intensive Observations including modeling for specific research topics,
- 2) Provision of routine observation data from the MC Met Agencies

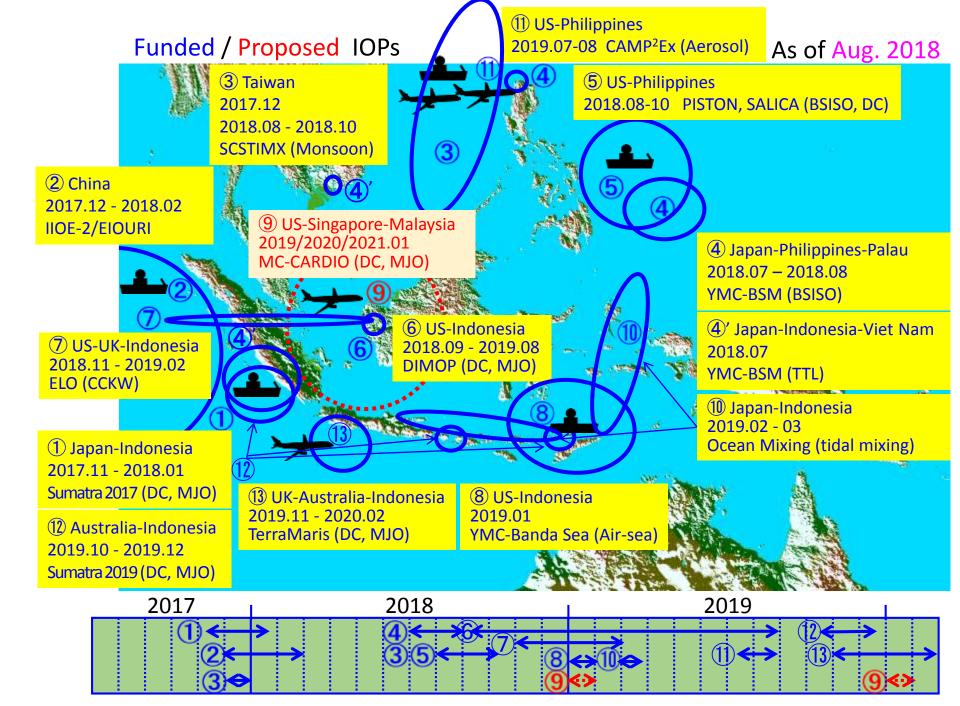


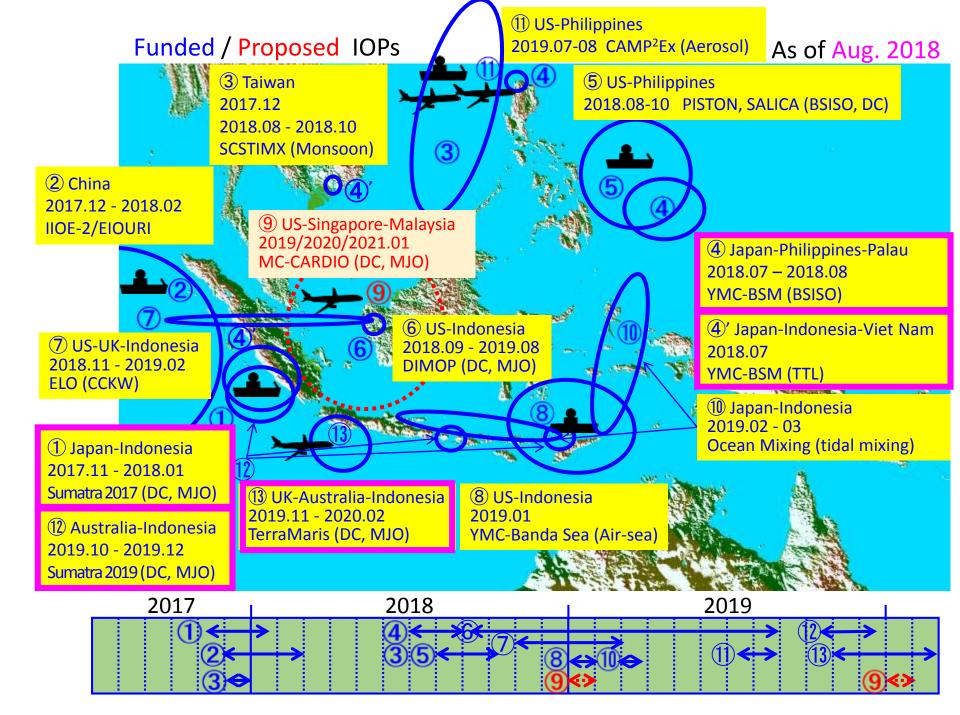
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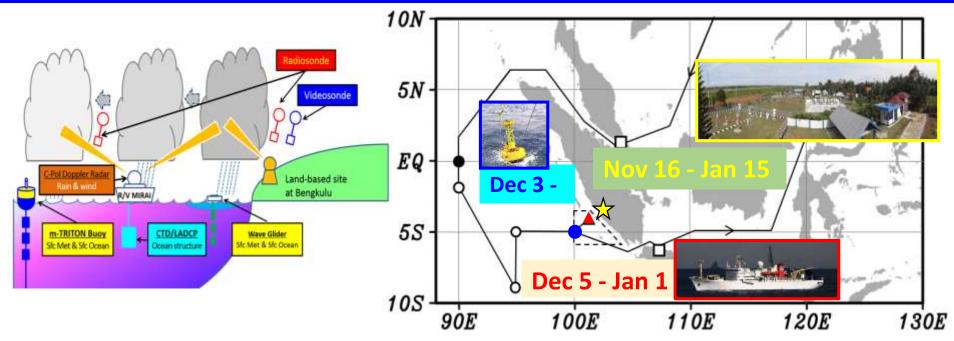
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IOP - Example (1) : YMC - Sumatra 2017



Target:	MJO vs. Diurnal	cycle in rain near the coast line
Period:	Land-based	Nov 16, 2017 – Jan 15, 2018 (61 days)
	Ship-based	Dec 5, 2017 – Jan 1, 2018 (28 days) (Jp-Jp; Nov 11, 2017 – Jan 18, 2018)
Obs:	Land-based Ship-based	C-band Doppler radar, X-band MPR, Radiosonde, AWS, Special-sonde, etc. C-band Polarimetric Doppler Radar, Radiosonde, LIDAR, Surface Met, CTD, ADCP, Sampled water chemical analyses, Buoy, Wave-glider, etc.

Modeling:	Forec	cast using global cloud-system resolving model "NICAM"
Participants:	Japan Indonesia US	JAMSTEC, Kyoto U, U Tokyo, U Toyama, NDA, NME, MWJ BPPT, BMKG, U Bengkulu UH/IPRC

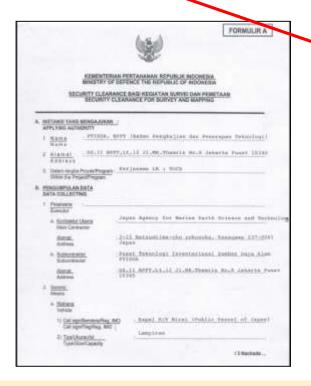
Pilot Study in 2015 : Pre-YMC Campaign (2015.11.09 - 12.20)

Purposes: 1) To obtain data in different large-scale conditions (ENSO, IOD, etc.)2) To learn logistics (research permit, collaboration with local staff, etc.)

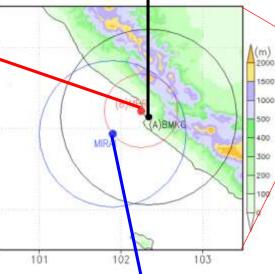


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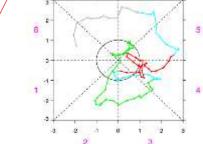




Security clearance has been issued on the day when the R/V Mirai departed Japan.





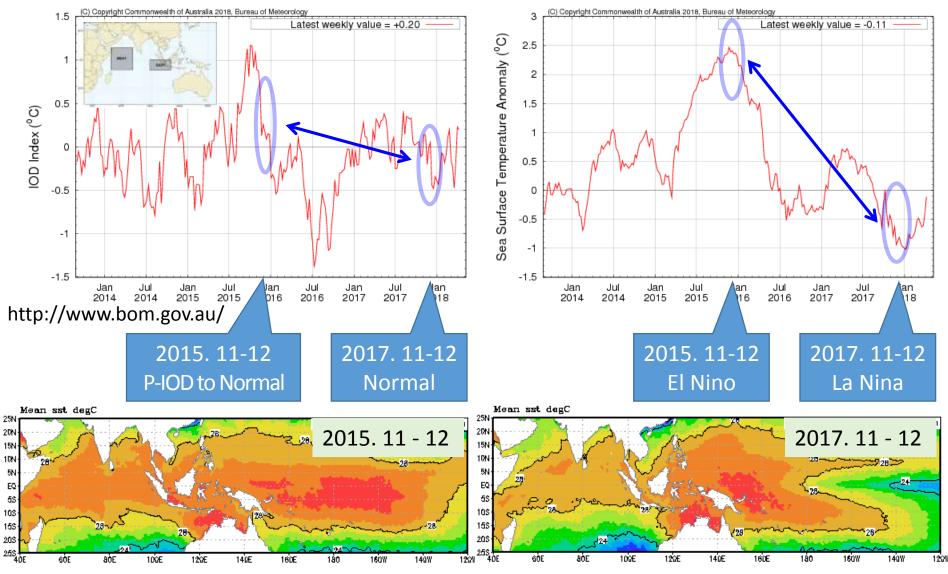




IOD & ENSO Phases

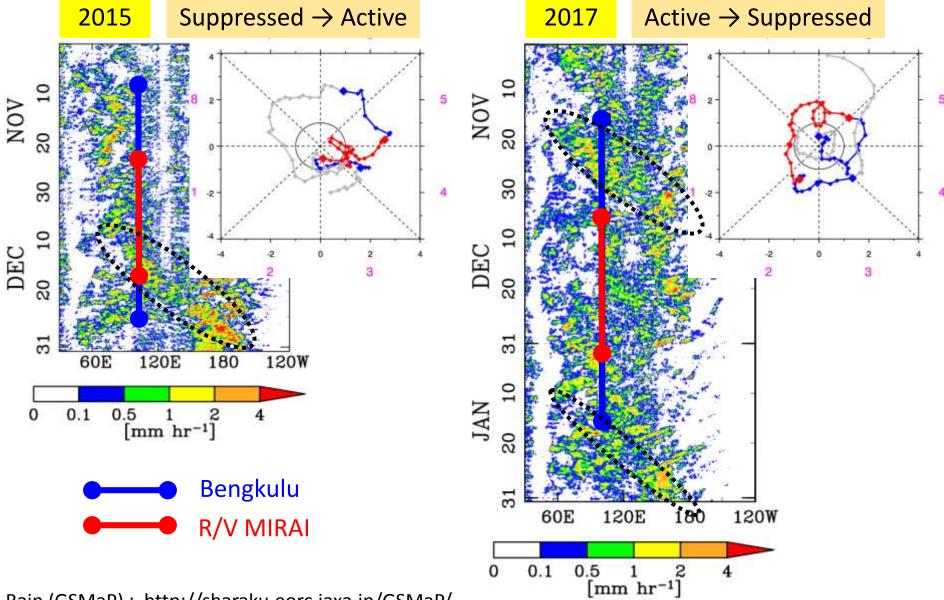
IOD Index

Nino3 SST Index



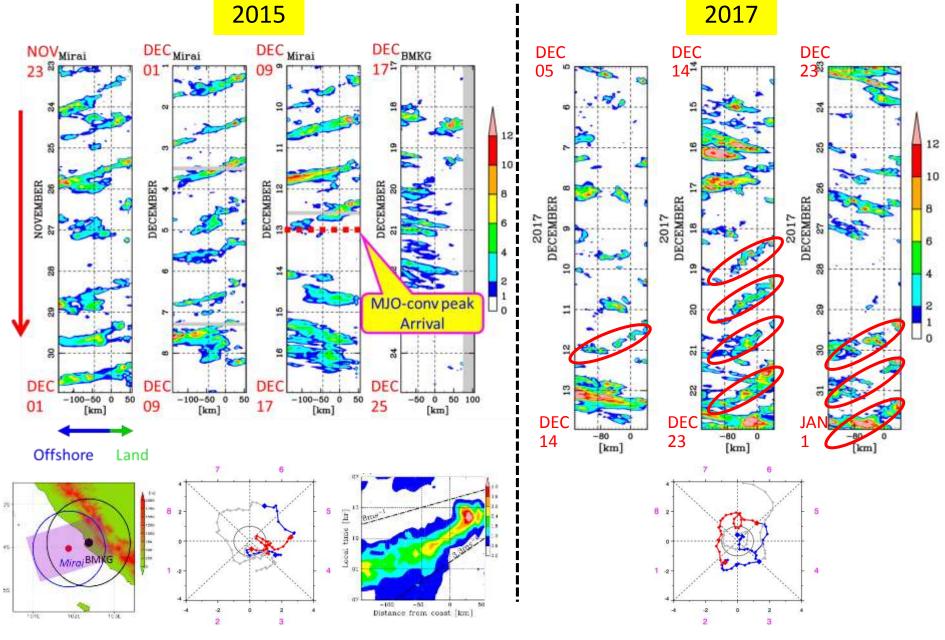
Nov-Dec Mean Sea Surface Temperature (http://www.esrl.noaa.gov/)

MJO Phase



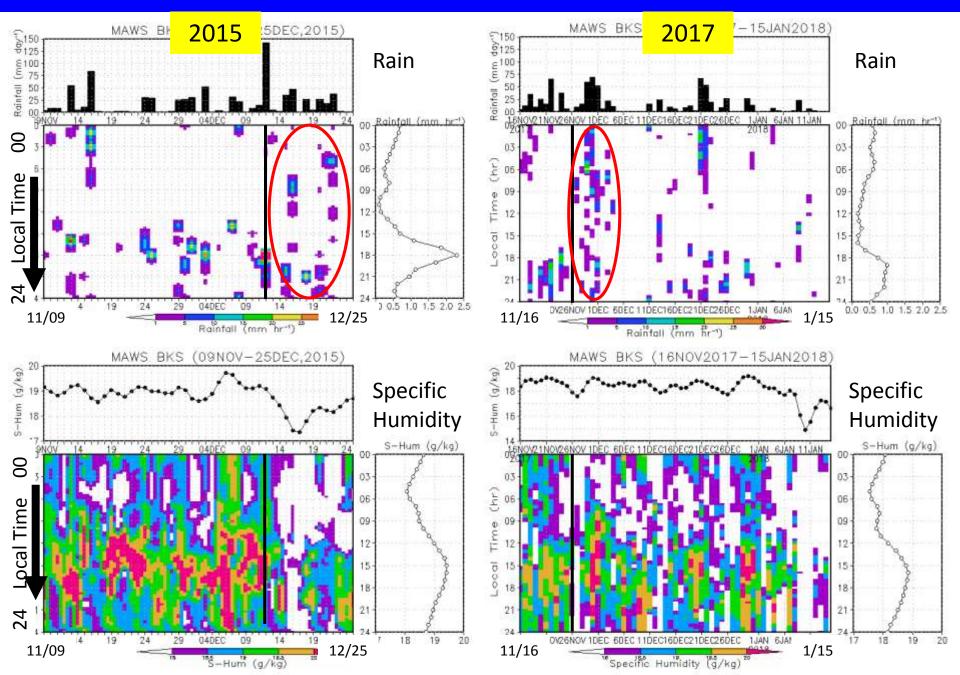
Rain (GSMaP) : http://sharaku.eorc.jaxa.jp/GSMaP/ RMM: http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/mjo/

Radar-derived Rain Rate as a function of time & distance from Coast Line



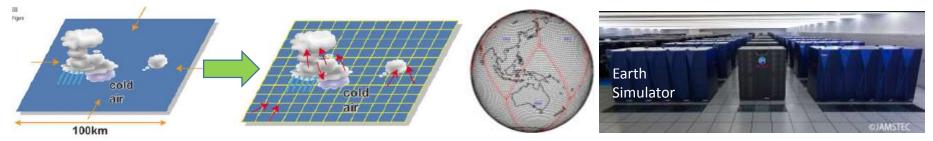
Yokoi et al. (2017, MWR)

Diurnal Cycle of Rain & Humidity - 2015 vs 2017 -



Near-Real time Forecasting using NICAM

Non-hydrostatic Icosahedral Atmospheric Model (NICAM) ... Global cloud-system resolving model



http://nicamfcst.jamstec.go.jp/

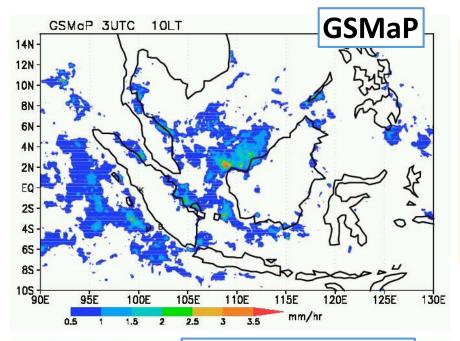


Settings:

- cloud microphysics : NSW6 (Tomita 2008)
- convective parameterization: off
- turbulence: MYNN level 2 (Nakanishi and Niino 2004; Noda et al. 2010)
- radiation : MSTRN X (Sekiguchi and Nakajima 2008)
- Iand surface : MATSIRO
- initial data : interpolated from NCEP final analysis (1.0x1.0)
- SST: prescribed (daily climatology + initial anomaly)

Global 7-km mesh, 14-day forecast, daily update Global 14-km mesh, 30-day forecast, weekly update

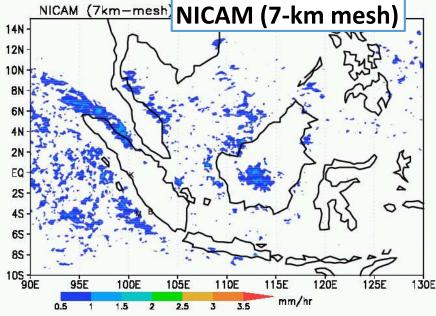
Simulation - Diurnal Cycle of Rain during November 2015

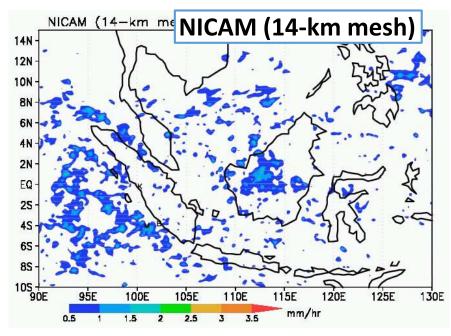


NICAM Simulation shows:

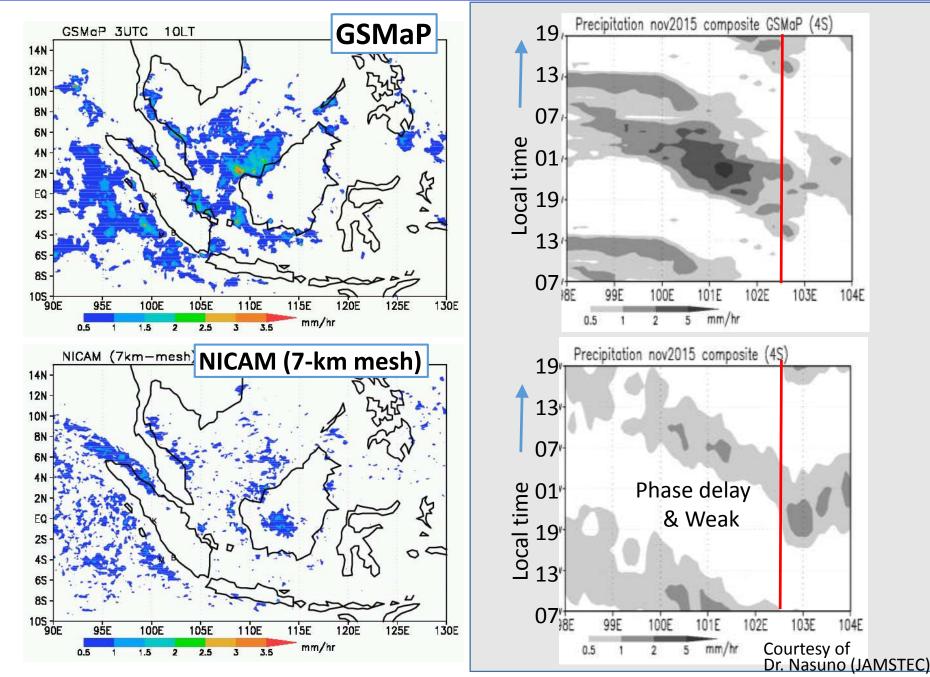
- Weak coastal peak
- Phase delay by several hours
 - \rightarrow better with high resolution
- Sharper peak along mountain

Courtesy of Dr. T. Nasuno (JAMSTEC)





Simulation - Diurnal Cycle of Rain during November 2015

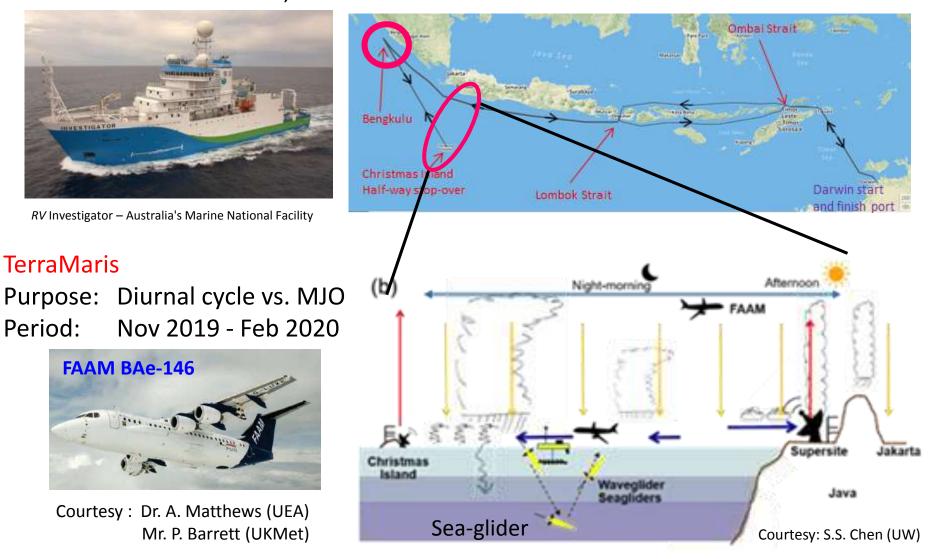


IOP - Example (2) : UK-Australia-Indonesia in 2019

R/V Investigator Cruise

Purpose: Diurnal cycle vs. MJO, ITF, etc. Period: Oct 19 - Dec 18, 2019

Courtesy: Dr. M. Wheeler (BoM)

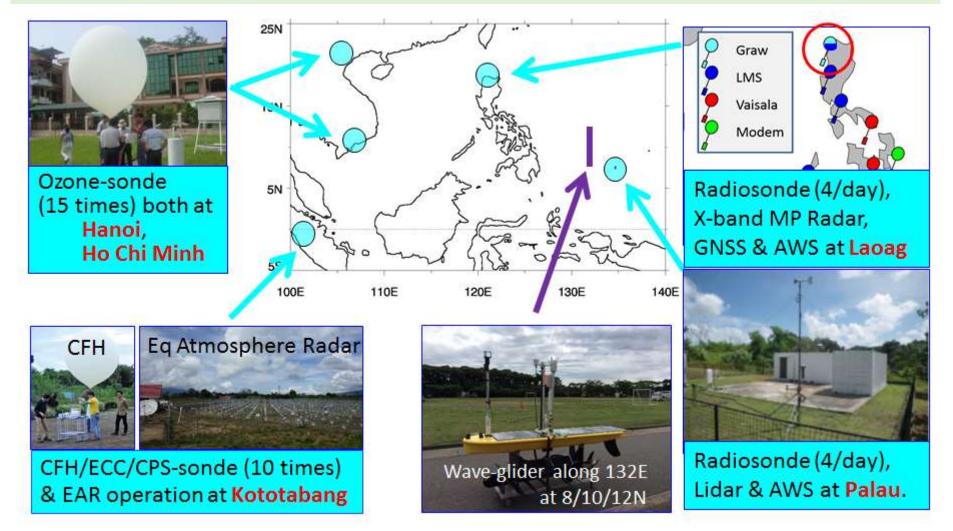




IOP - Example (3) : YMC - BSM 2018

Main targets : Period: Participants: Boreal Summer Monsoon focusing on Northward Propagating ISV July 1 – August 31, 2018 Japan (JAMSTEC, Kyoto Univ, NME), Philippines (PAGASA, UP),

Indonesia (LAPAN, BMKG), Viet Nam (NHMS), Palau (KWS)





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Data Policy & Management

YMC adopts "timely release & free/open sharing data policy".

All QCed data will be opened from YMC data archive centers (web sites). Basically researchers are requested to provide QCed data within 1 year after the campaign.

We should keep in mind about "Availability" & "Accuracy".

Data Archive Centers

BMKG, Indonesia

http://www.bmkg.go.id/ymc/

JAMSTEC, Japan http://www.jamstec.go.jp/ymc/



Main Activities

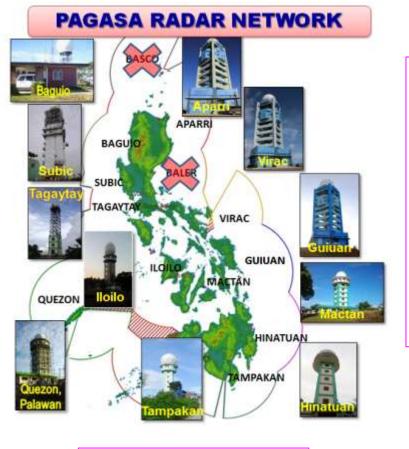
1) Data sharing

Through collecting, archiving, and sharing data from observing networks in the MC region, satellites, and NWP products, build a two-year comprehensive database for detailed documentation of multi-scale variability and interaction of the MC weather-climate system.

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"Availability" : Data Collection

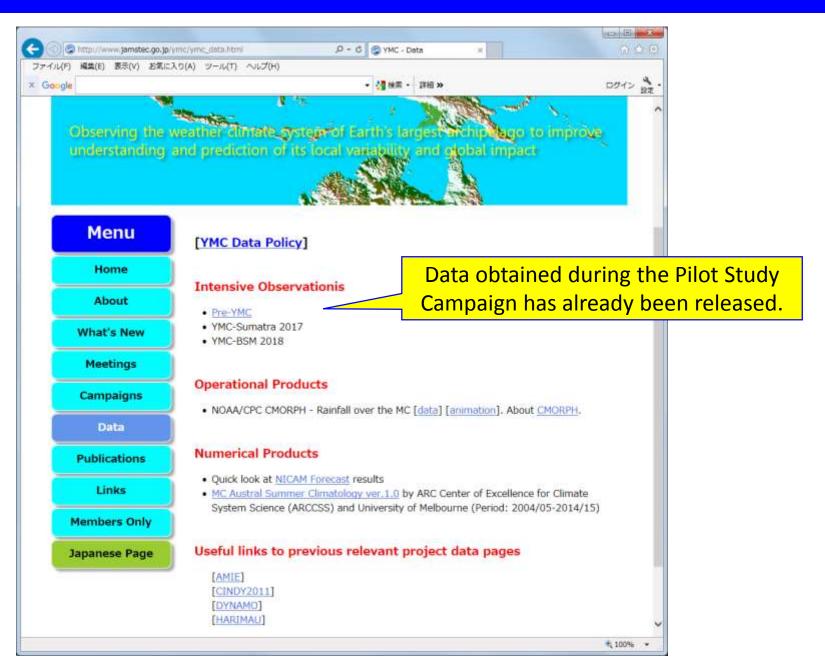
Example. Radar data collection from PAGASA Stations in the Philippines



Courtesy of The PAGASA

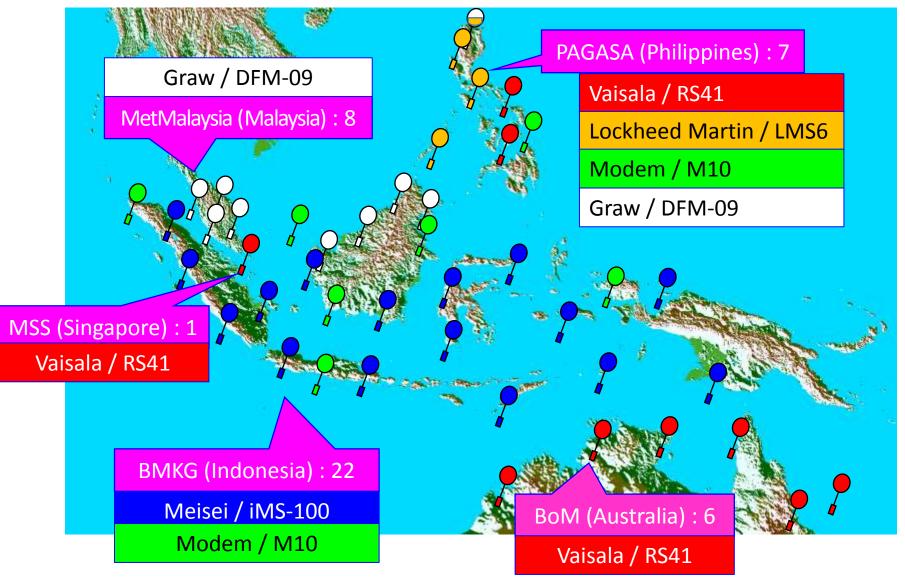
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Cebu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	X
Guiuan	Χ	Χ	Х	X	X	X	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Х	Χ	X
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Tampakan	X	X	Χ	X	X	X	X	X	0	0	0	0	X

"Availability" : Data Release from YMC Web site



"Accuracy" : Data Correction

Operational Radiosonde Observations by the MC Meteorological Agencies



Intercomparison during YMC-Sumatra 2017



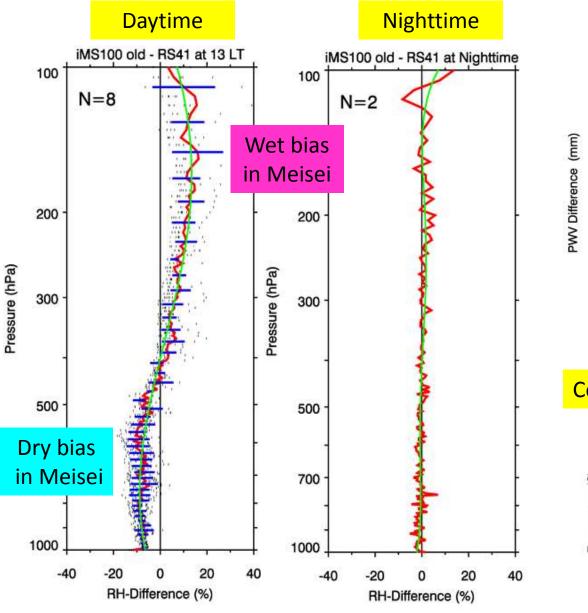
Inter-comparison: 18 times (10 daytime, 5 dawn/dusk, 3 nights)

- 2) Vaisala (RS41-SGDP) ... onboard the R/V MIRAI

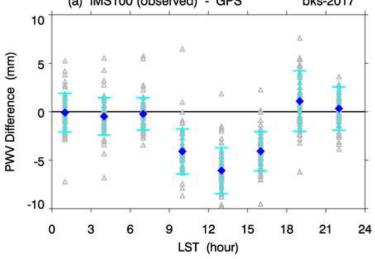
1) Meisei (iMS-100) ... BMKG Routine observations + IOP

- 3) CFH (Cryogenic Frost-point Hygrometer) ... 7 times
- 4) GNSS-derived Water Vapor

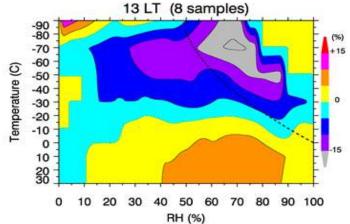
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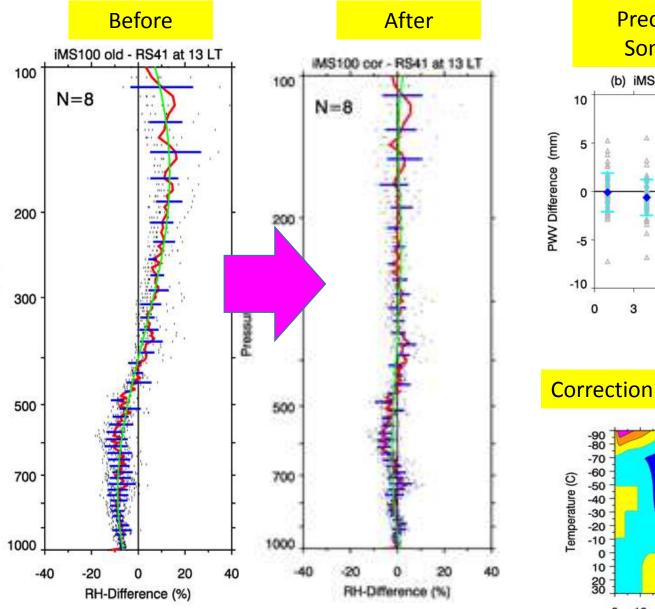
Precipitable Water Vapor Sonde (Meisei) - GNSS (a) iMS100 (observed) - GPS bks-2017



Correction based on intercomparison

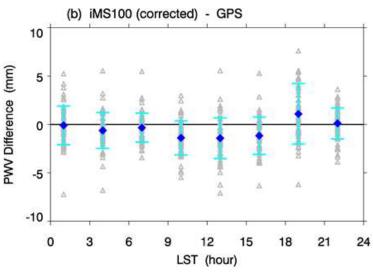


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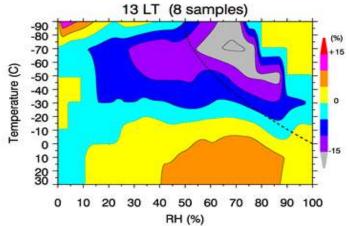


Pressure (hPa)

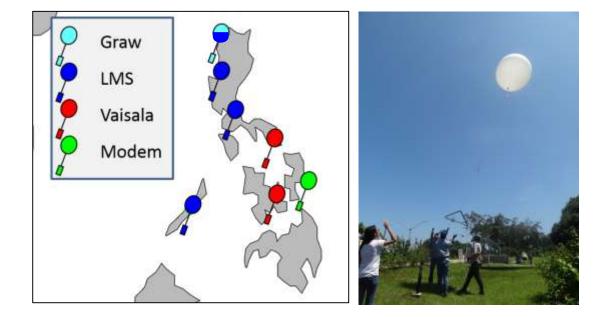
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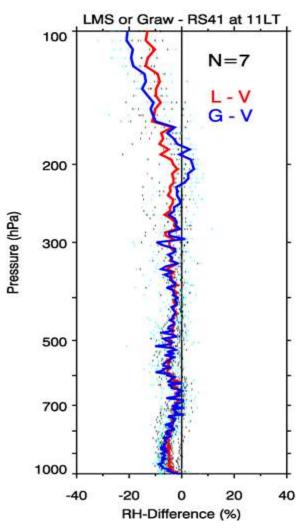
Correction based on intercomparison



Intercomparison during YMC-BSM 2018 at Laoag



Intercomparison among different types of radiosonde (Graw, LMS, and Vaisala) has been done at PAGASA Laoag station during July 27 – Aug. 2, 2018.





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- 1) YMC field campaign has started since July 2017, and its first IOP has been conducted west coast of Sumatra during Nov 2017 Jan 2018. Currently, several IOPs focusing on the boreal summer monsoon & ISO have been conducted around the Philippine Sea.
- 2) So far, 12 IOPs have been funded, and one proposed project is under review.
- 3) While quality control for observations have been made, many preliminary results have been brought out by the IOP participants. YMC sessions have been arranged at various scientific meetings including AGU, AMOS, AOGS, etc. QCed data will be available through YMC Archive Centers in a timely manner.
- 4) Currently, YMC is scheduled to continue until early 2020, when the last IOP campaign is expected to take place. However, another discussion has been initiated to extend it as Phase-2. It will not be the same as the current one, but it will mainly focus on interaction among MC-local and international scientists to verify the improvement of numerical prediction skill.



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Australia, China, France, Germany, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, NZ, Palau, Philippines, Poland, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, UK, US, Vietnam (as of July 2017)

Period

July 2017 - early 2020

Main Science Themes

1) Atmospheric convection (ex. Diurnal cycle, MJO, monsoon)

Kev:

1) Intensive Obs + Modeling, &

YMC campaign consists of;

2) Long-term routine obs.

- 2) Ocean and air-sea interaction
- 3) Stratosphere-troposphere interaction
- 4) Aerosols
- 5) Prediction

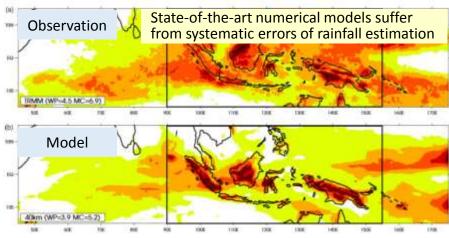
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Remarks

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Comparison of monthly mean rainfall for February. Taken from Love et al. (2011)



Routine sounding sites (🏲 & Intensive observation areas (

Additional Notes



- 2013.07 Initial Idea of YMC was born based on the success of CINDY/DYNAMO and others
- 2014.09 YMC Kick-off Meeting in Jakarta
- 2015.01 The 1st YMC Workshop in Singapore
- 2015.11 Endorsement from WMO/WWRP
- 2015.11 The 2nd YMC Workshop in Jakarta
- 2015.11 Pre-YMC Field Campaign along the west coast of Sumatra
- 2016.04 Endorsement from S2S
- 2016.06 Endorsement from WMO/CAS, WGNE/MJO Task Force
- 2017.03 Endorsement from WCRP/CLIVAR
- 2017.03 The 3rd YMC Workshop in Bangi, Malaysia
- 2017.07 Start of the Field Campaign Phase
- 2017.11 The 1st IOP along the west coast of Sumatra
- 2018.07 IOPs on Boreal Summer Monsoon
- 2018.09 The 1st ICTMAS in Bandung
- 2019.02 The 4th YMC Workshop in Quezon, Philippines
- 2019.11 The last IOP (~ 2020.02)



Some examples of Educational training and Joint research activities ...

2018.06 US delegation to BMKG for training of radar analysis/modeling, etc.
2018.07 Training for U Philippines students during YMC-BSM 2018 campaign at Laoag
2018.09 Lectures by JAMSTEC scientists at LAPAN
2018.11 BPPT & BMKG scientists visit JAMSTEC for joint analysis of YMC-Sumatra 2017
2018.11 JAMSTEC plan to invite U Philippines students for data analysis training
2019.02 JAMSTEC plan to invite PAGASA staff for data analysis training





Outreach Activities

Press Release at BMKG on July 17, 2017 telling the start of YMC & its social impacts





Bisnismetro, Kompas, Journal Nusantara, Kompas, Metrotv, Suarakarya, etc. Press Release at Bengkulu on Dec 27, 2017 arranged by BPPT



Before/after the IOP of YMC-Sumatra 2017 campaign, discussion forum at Bengkulu was arranged by BMKG to interact with local stakeholders for mutual understanding.



Possible reasons of RH difference btwn RS41 & iMS100

Dry bias in the lower troposphere

Meisei iMS100 calculates RH using thermistor temperature data as below.

$$T_s = K_{Ta} \times T_{s_obs} + (1 - K_{Ta}) \times T_a$$

where
$$T_s$$
; RH-sensor temperature,
 T_{s_obs} ; measured RH-sensor temperature,
 Ta ; air temperature, and
 K_{Ta} ; weighting function

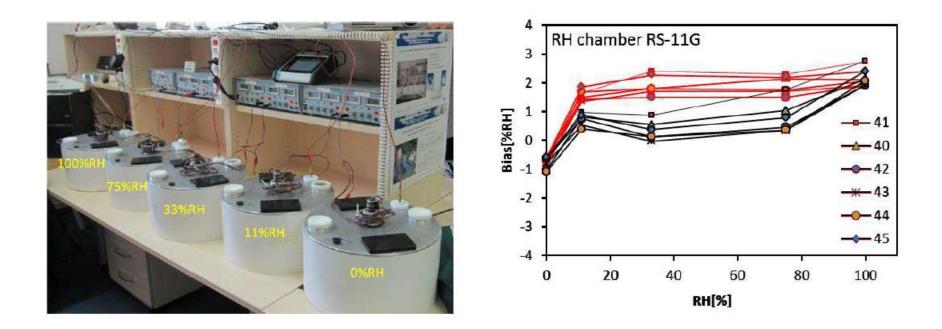
$$K_{Ta} = \begin{cases} 0 & (for P > 600 hPa) \\ 1 - \frac{\ln P - \ln 400}{\ln 600 - \ln 400} & (for 400 < P < 600 hPa) \\ 1 & (for P < 400 hPa) \end{cases}$$

"iMS100" calculates RH using air temp data below 600 hPa level. But, Ta is warmed by solar radiation even in the lower troposphere.

Taken from GRUAN Technical Document (GRUAN-TD-5). Kizu et al. (2018) & Personal communication (Drs. Shimizu and Sugidachi/Meisei Electric Co. Ltd)

Wet bias in the upper troposphere

The RH sensor has a small hysteresis property, which causes wet biases (~1.8 %RH) when the sensor goes from a wet condition to a dry condition, based on chamber experiment. It might be insufficient correction of this hysteresis.



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IOP - Example (4) : A year-long campaign "DIMOP"







US DOE's ARM project - DIMOP Diurnal Cycle Interactions with MJO Propagation

This is a different style of IOP than others. To fill the gap of subseasonal-to-seasonal prediction skill, a suite of surface meteorological measurement system is deployed for one year, based on the hypothesis that the strength of diurnal cycle and the disruption of the MJO largely depends on the net radiation flux.