

# ***GHRST RDAC Update: NOAA National Centers for Environmental Information (NCEI)\****

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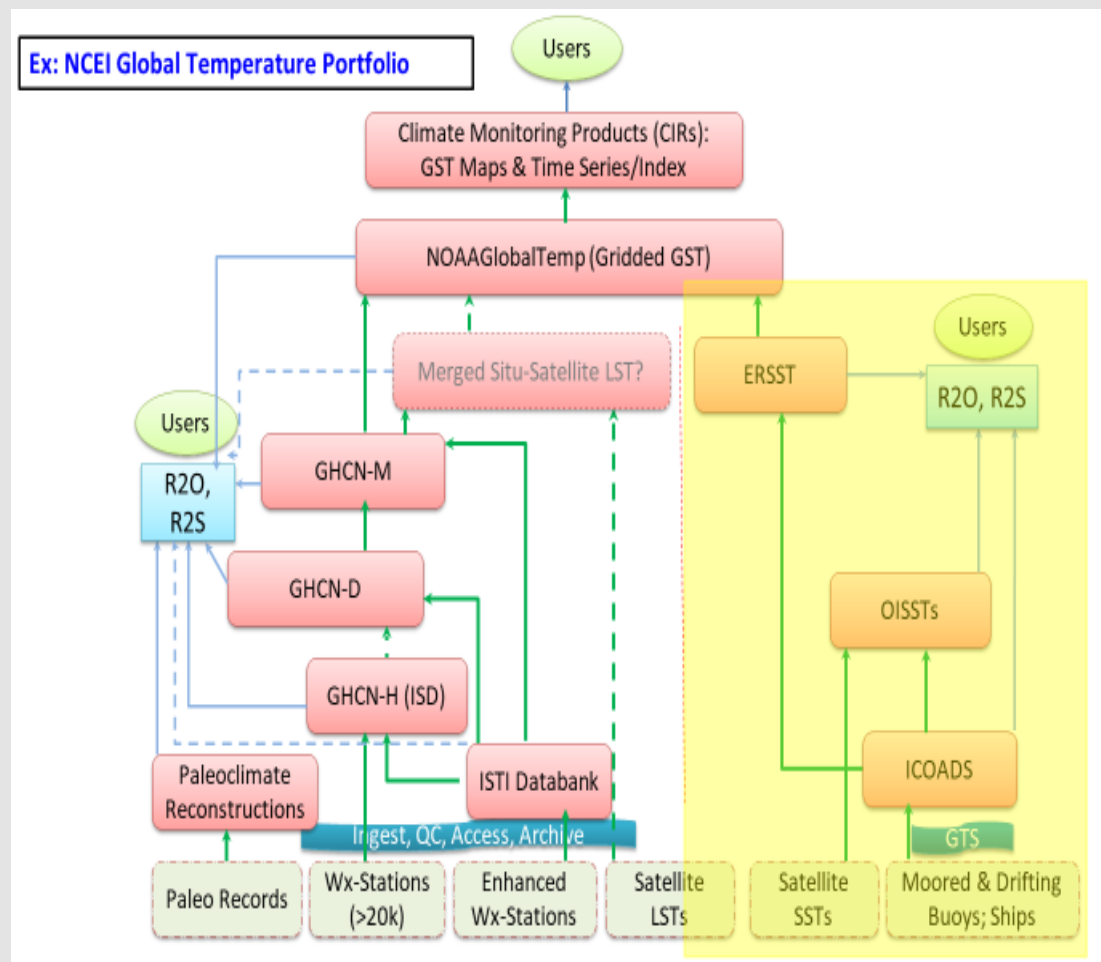


# Overview

## NCEI's Marine Surface Meteorology and Oceanography

- ◆ To provide an end-to-end, integrated, and collaborative approach for the data collection, quality control and processing, product generation, and societal service for the surface marine and meteorological observational data, from both in-situ and satellite platforms.
- ◆ The scope ranges from ***foundational datasets*** (e.g. ICOADS, Pathfinder SST) ***to high level authoritative*** gridded, blended & merged datasets (e.g. ERSST, OISST and Blended Seawinds) (tiered scientific data stewardship).

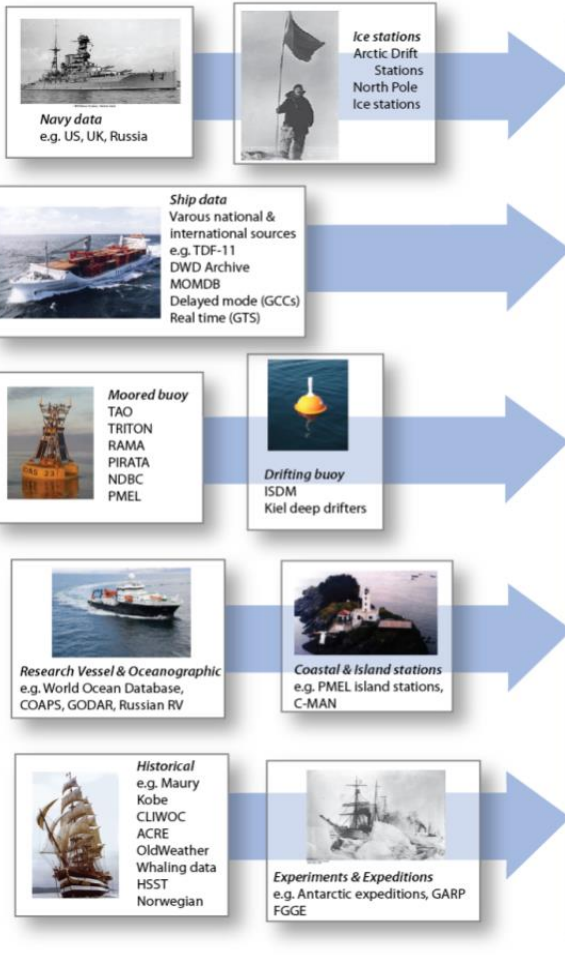
# NOAA/NCEI's Tiered Scientific Data Stewardship and Mapping to GST Portfolios



# ICOADS:

The International Comprehensive Ocean-Atmosphere Data Set

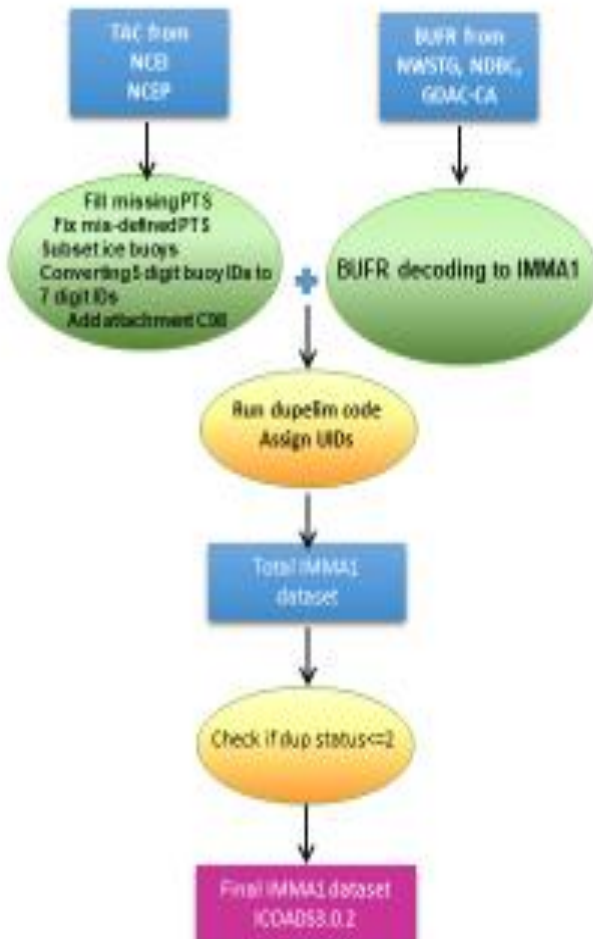
**Scope:** The world's most extensive surface marine & meteorological data collection (akin to GHCN over land); a foundational dataset for climate monitoring & studies (e.g. ERSST ...)  
**Objective:** Archive, stewardship, & service of ICOADS



# ICOADS

## Recent Progress: Blending TAC and BUFR Marine in Situ data for ICOADS Near Real Time Updates

### Dupelim procedure

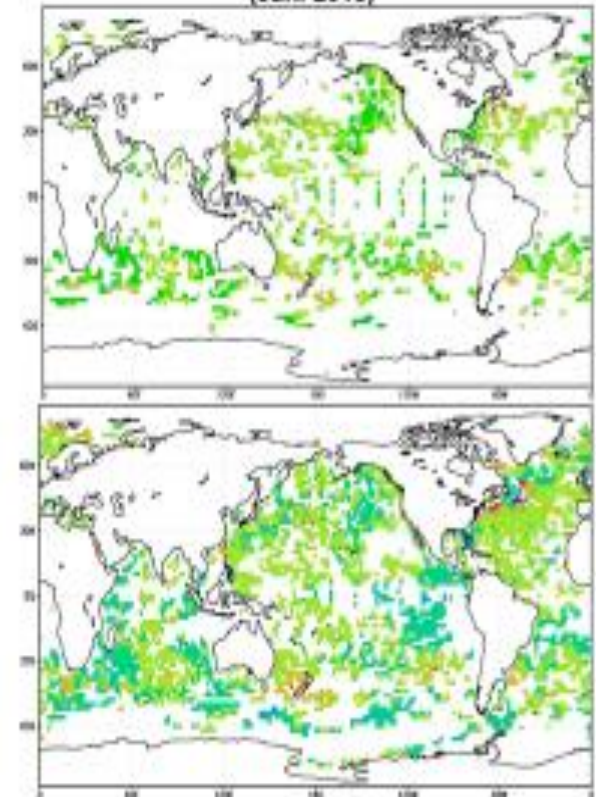


### Results

#### Report numbers of each platform type

P	T	Platform Type	ICOADS R3.0.1	ICOADS R3.0.2_beta
4		Light ship	137	272
5		ship	175122	241740
6		moored buoy	508731	563114
7		Drifting buoy	412202	1231103
8		Ice buoy	0	11289
13		C-MAN	65228	65228
14		Other coastal station	580764	580764
15		Fixed ocean platform	3452	13381
16		Tide gauge	1879451	1879451
		Unknown PT	95994	76215

#### Comparison of buoy SST coverage between ICOADS R3.0.1 and ICOADS R3.0.2 (Jan. 2018)



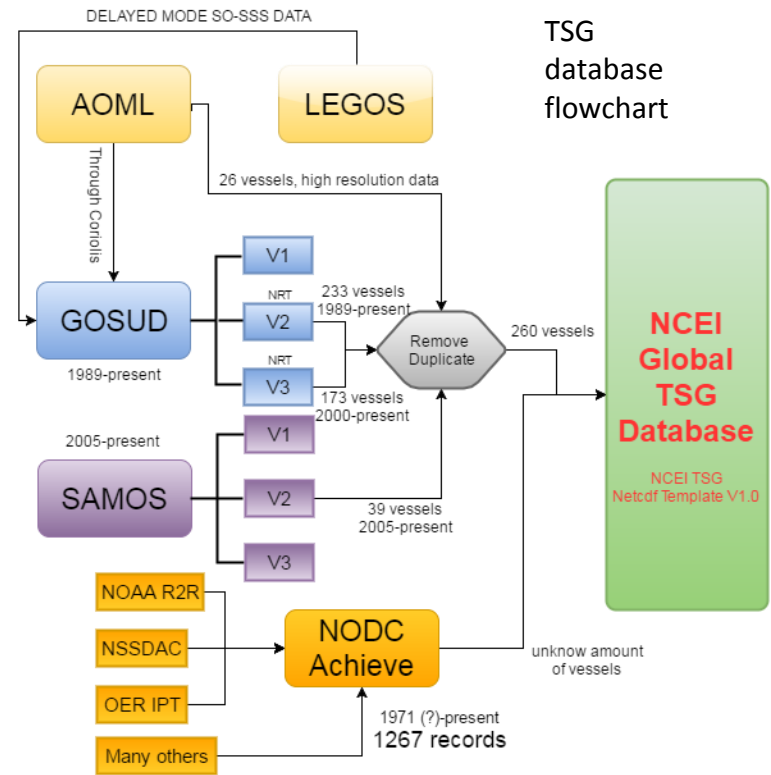
# The NCEI Thermosalinograph (TSG) Database

**Goal of the project:** Stewardship, archive, distribution and quality controlling of in situ underway TSG sea surface salinity and temperature data.

**Purpose:** To gather all available TSG data, quality control, and make them available to the public in a uniform format, with granule subsetting tools.

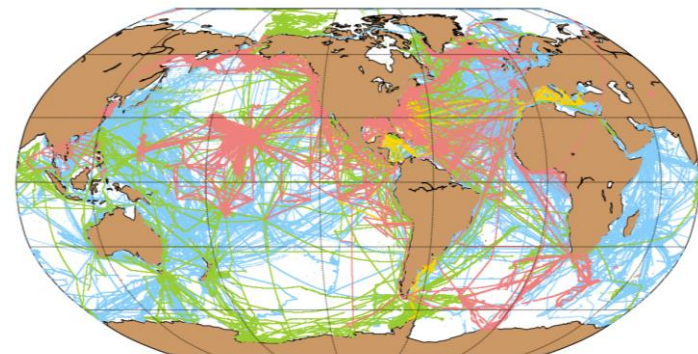
**Usages:** (1) validation, calibration and matchup of satellite SSS/SST; (2) Air-sea interaction and variability; (3) Climate water cycles; ...

**Temporal Coverage :** 1989-present



Spatial coverage

GOSUD V3: Red  
SAMOS V1 : Green



# The Extended Reconstructed Sea Surface Temperature (ERSST)

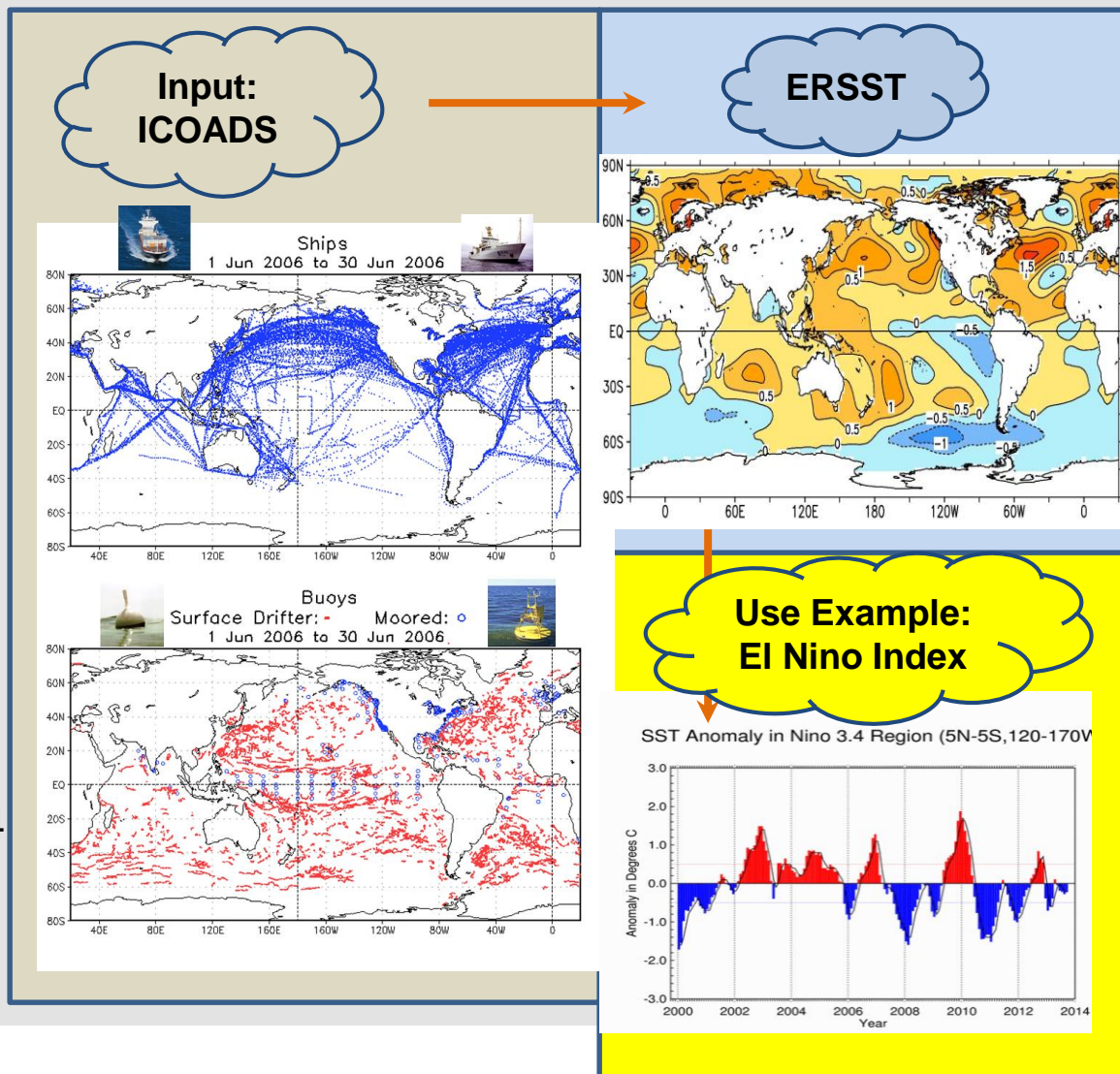
**Scope:** Authoritative centennial global sea surface temperature dataset for climate change research, assessment & monitoring (Monthly from Jan 1854 – present)

**Objective:** Monthly production & dissemination; development to remain state-of-the-science & authoritative

**Version update history:**

- v1 - 2003; v2 – 2004; v3 - 2008; v4 – 2015;
- v5: 2017 (J. Climate)

**Use & public interests:** Used for climate reports and assessments. New bias corrections starting from v4 showing no recent warming hiatus



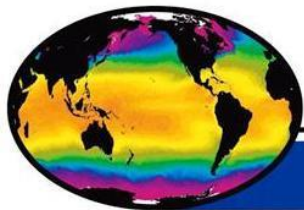
# ERSST v5 uncertainty in 1000-member ensemble due to 28 parameters

1. First-guess: Adjusted-; Unadjusted-ERSSTv4
2. SST STD for QC: OISST v2 (1982–2011), COADS (1950–79);
3. Min SST STD: 0.5; 1.0; 1.5°C
4. Max SST STD: 3.5; 4.5; 5.5°C
5. SST STD multiplier: 3.5; 4.5; 5.5
6. SST obs random error: 1.3°C for ships and 0.5°C for buoys
7. Ship SST error: 1.2; 1.3; 1.4°C
- 8-9 Buoy/Argo SST error: 0.4; 0.5; 0.6°C
- 10-11 Buoy/Argo SST weighting: 5.8; 6.8; 7.8
12. SSTA calculation: Grid box basis; in situ basis
13. NMAT for SST bias: UKMO NMAT; HadNMAT2; HadNMAT2 3-lat; 25x25 HadNMAT2
14. SST bias smoothing: Annual; Lowess=0.05; 0.10; 0.2; linear; Linear-Lowess
15. Ship bias re-adj based on buoy: 0.062, 0.077, 0.092°C
16. Argo-buoy adjustment: 0.0, 0.03, 0.06°C
17. Min num of mon for ann average: 1; 2; 3
18. Min rate of superobservation: 0.02; 0.03; 0.04
19. Max number of observations: 5; 10; 15
20. EOT training period and scale: 1982–2005; 1988–2011; 1982–2011; even yr from 1982 to 2012; odd yr from 1983 to 2013;  
Lx 6000 km and Ly 4000 km; Lx 5000 km and Ly 3000 km; Lx 4000 km and Ly 2000 km
21. EOT weighting:  $W = \cos(\varphi)$ ;  $W = N/(N+e^2) \cos(\varphi)$
22. EOT critical value: 0.05; 0.10; 0.20
23. Ice concentration factor: 0.9; 1.0; 1.1
24. Min ice for SST adj: 0.5; 0.6; 0.7
25. Max ice for SST adj: 0.8; 0.9; 1.0
26. LF filter period: 11 yr; 15 yr; 19 yr
27. Min yr for LF filter: 1; 2; 3
28. HF filter period: 0; 3 month

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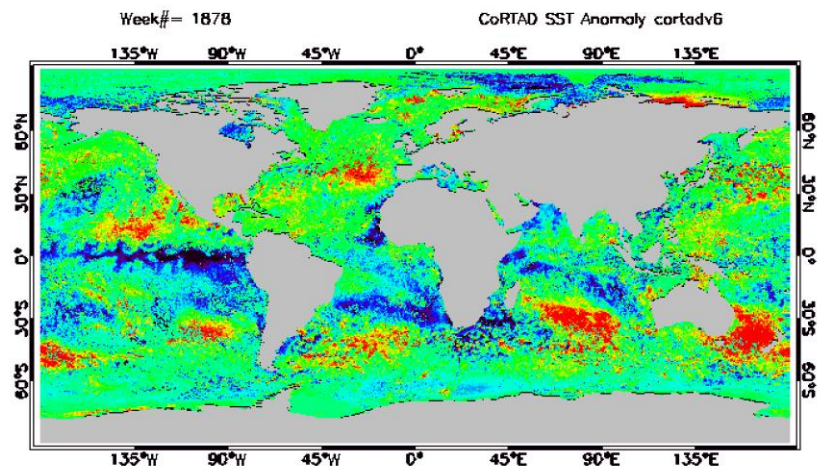
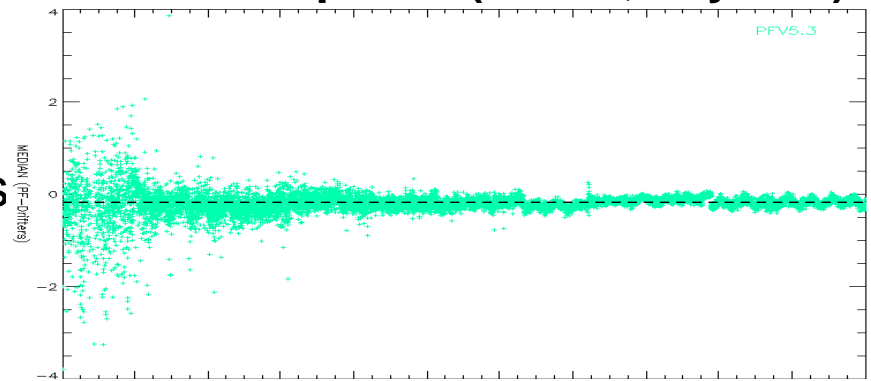
# GHR SST

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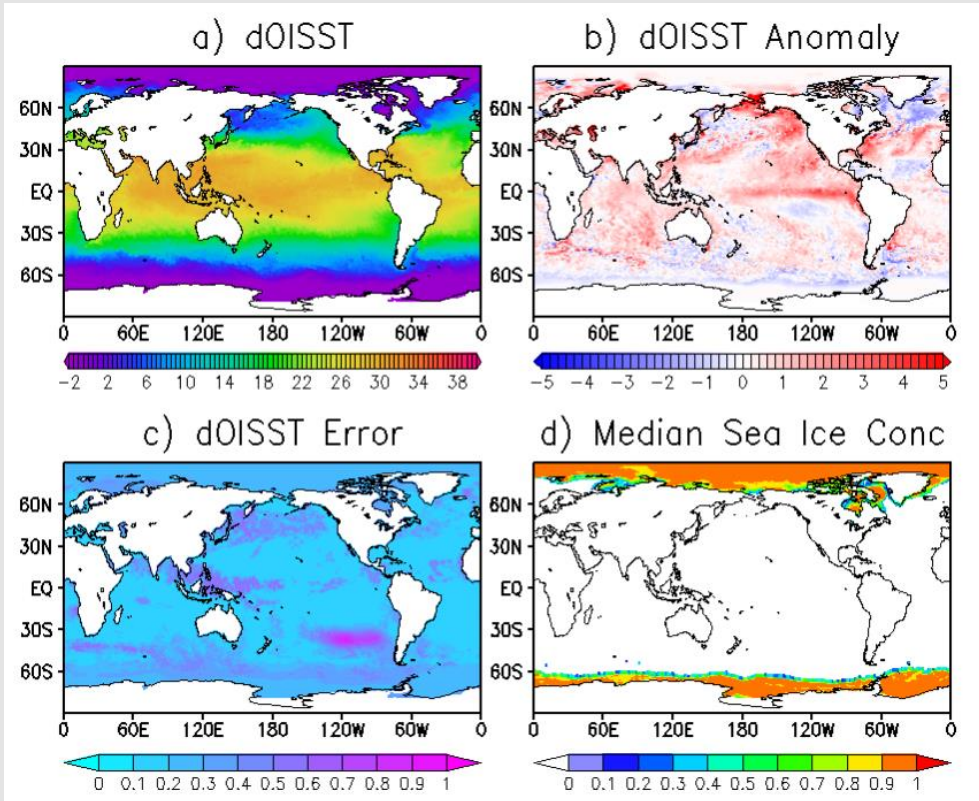
# AVHRR PFSST

- Revived and completed R2O transition of PFv5.3 and L3C CDR product has been extended from 2014 to 2018; quarterly update since then. Compares well with other GHR SST CDRs.
- Reprocessing of PFv5.3.1 (improved binning at high latitudes) for the production of L2P, L3U, and L3C CDR is ongoing
- Thermal stress anomalies CoRTAD has been revived and upgraded to v6

## PFv5.3 – Iquam2 (drifter; daytime)



# Daily $\frac{1}{4}^\circ$ Optimum Interpolation SST (dOISST)



## Characteristics:

- Daily and global  $\frac{1}{4}^\circ$  grid, gap-free SST, ice and error fields
- Satellite SSTs bias corrected by and blended with in-situ SSTs

## Types:

- AVHRR-only (1981 - present)
- AVHRR+AMSR-E (inactive for new AMSRs)

## Production schedule

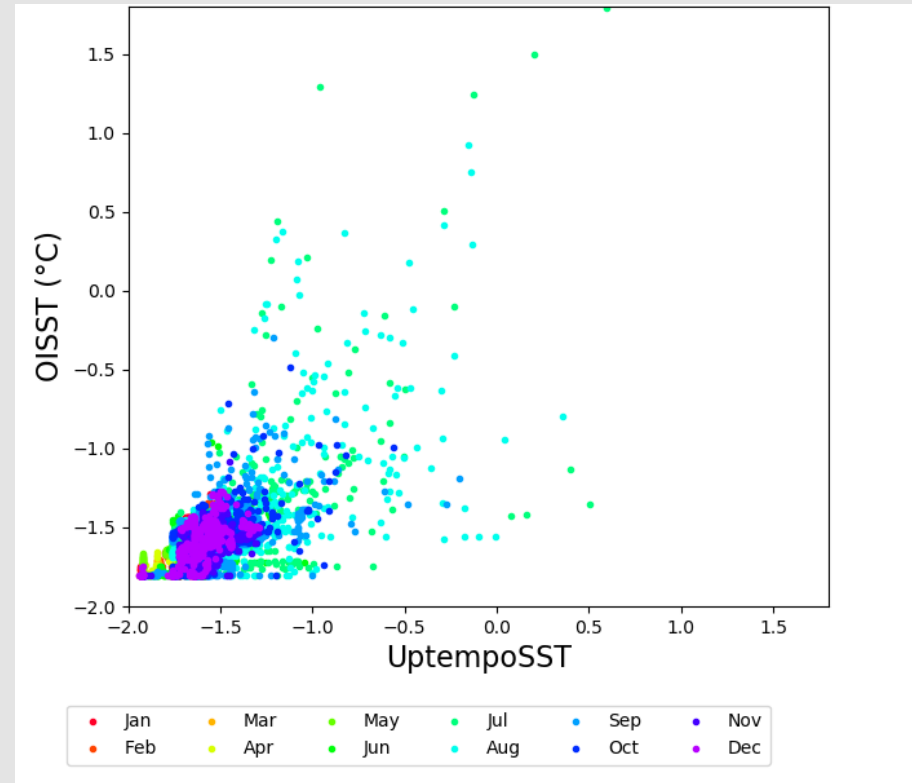
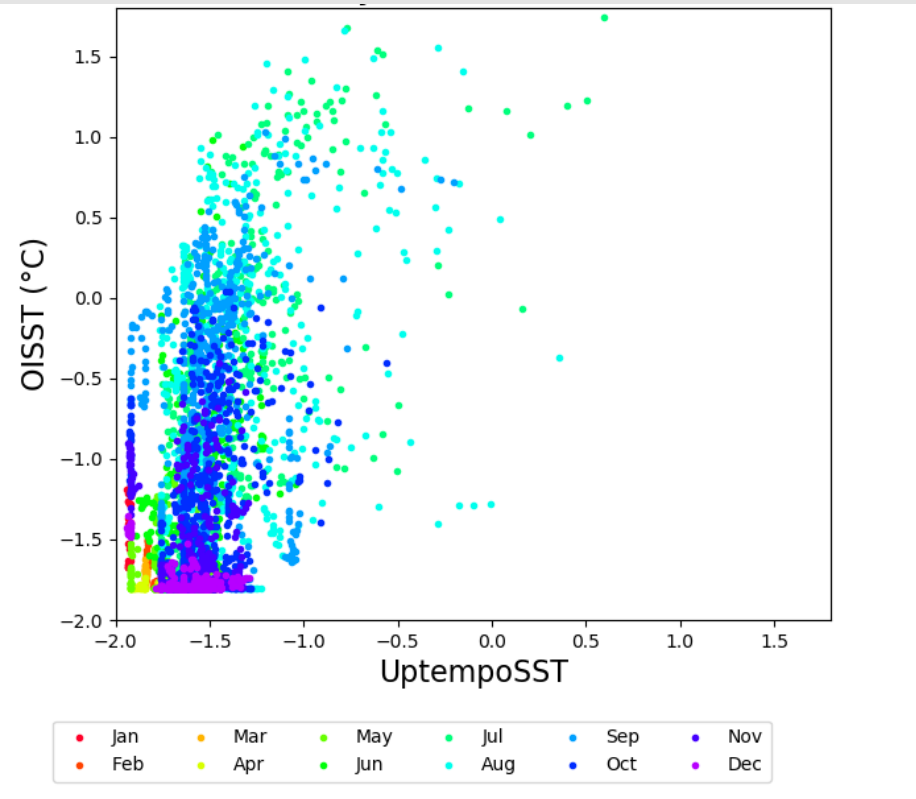
- Preliminary produced every day in near real time (1-day delay)
- Replaced by final (CDR science quality) after 2 weeks.

Supports Operations, Modelling, Research and Management



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Improvement over the Arctic region: old (left) vs new (right)





# Summary

## **NCEI's Marine Surface Meteorology and Oceanography**

- ❖ **NCEI provides end-to-end scientific stewardship for their global sea surface temperature datasets. New developments include:**
- ❖ The ICOADS near-real-time product of merged ASCII/TAC and BUFR stream
- ❖ The ERSST ensemble uncertainty estimates
- ❖ The quarterly update capacity for the PFSST CDR
- ❖ Improvements on OISST bias reduction in the Arctic Region, and
- ❖ Expanded GHRSSST collection and services.