Arctic ocean and sea-ice circulation in a global ocean—sea ice general circulation model

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- Modular Ocean Model (MOM3)
 - Non-Boussinesq primitive equations in Z coordinates
 - Non-linear free surface
 - KPP vertical mixing
 - Redi and skew Gent-McWilliams diffusion
 - Second order moments advection scheme
 - Rotated grid, horizontal resolution: 3° (isotropic grid)
 - Vertical resolution: 26 levels (5-500 m) with truncated bottom cells

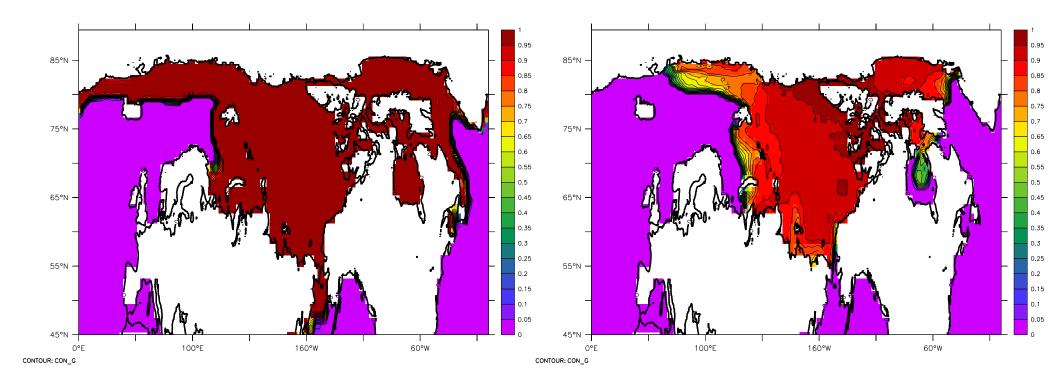
• Sea ice model

- -2-layer (snow + ice)
- Elasto-visco-plastic rheology
- Floating (as opposed to "levitating") sea ice

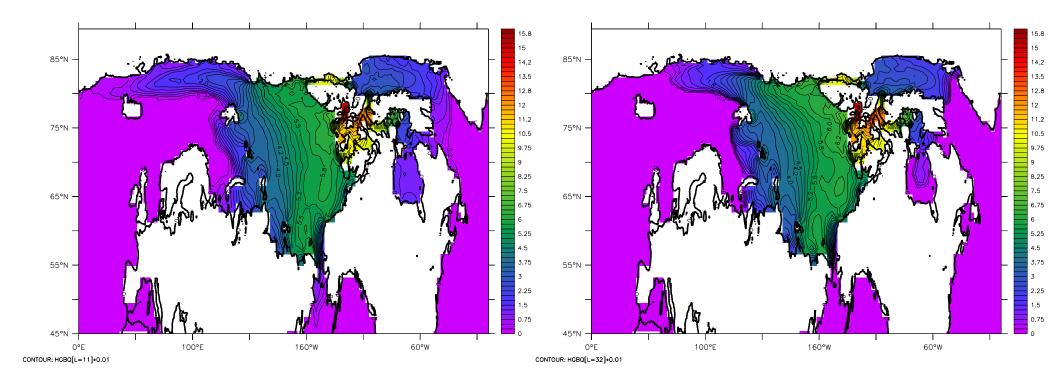
Forcing

- Daily NCEP/NCAR reanalysis SAT and SLP (→ geostrophic wind)
- Climatological relative humidity, cloudiness, precipitation
- Bulk heat, evaporation and momentum fluxes

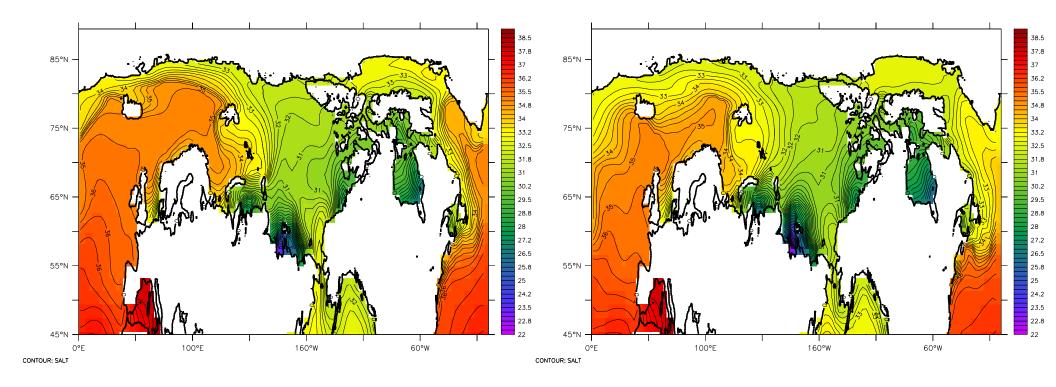
1978 March (left) and September (right) sea-ice concentration



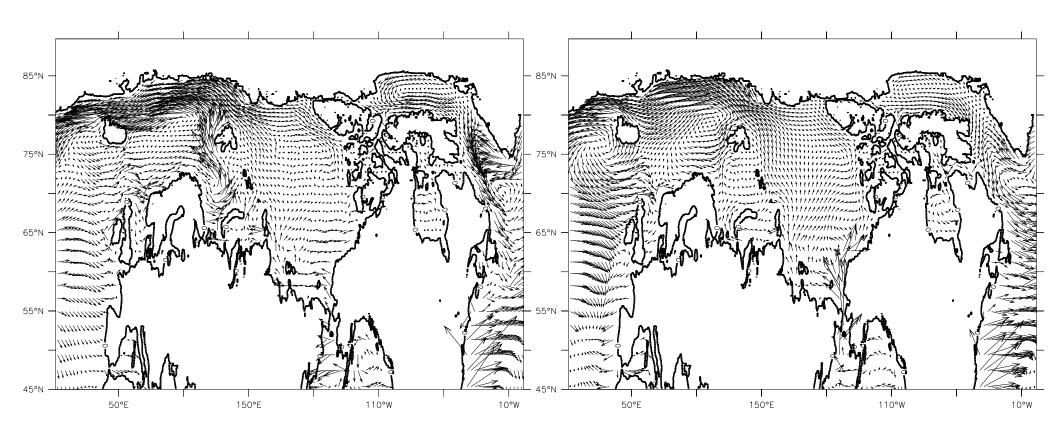
1978 March (left) and September (right) sea-ice thickness (m)



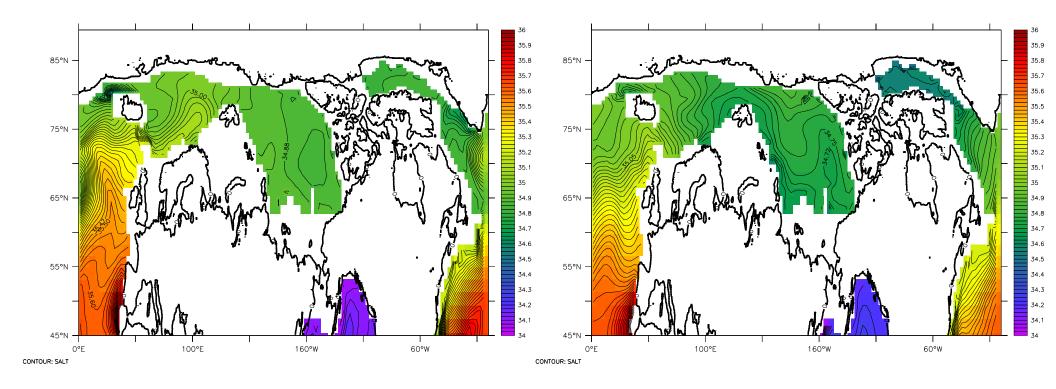
1948 January (left) and 1978 January (right) surface salinity (psu)



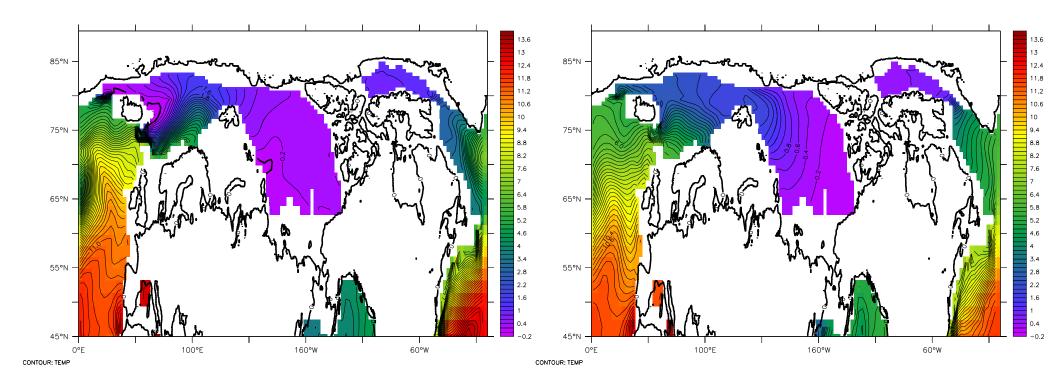
1978 winter (left) and summer (right) surface currents (m/s; scale 0.1 m/s)



1948 (left) and 1978 (right) 500-m salinity (psu)



1948 (left) and 1978 (right) 500-m temperatures (°C)



1948 (left) and 1978 (right) 500-m currents (m/s; scale 0.025 m/s)

