

# MITgcm sea ice thermodynamics adjoint, an update

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# History

- 2006–10: Fenty code (seaice\_growth\_if.F, etc) merged with main branch
- Feb 2011 : I.Fenty reported sea ice thermodyn adjoint broken when tested for ~ 1yr using the 1-D column & LabSea verification experiment  
I.Fenty provided code mod to seaice\_growth.F v1.111  
& assessment

Seaice\_Growth\_Forward\_and\_Adjoint\_comparisons.pdf

- 2014: I.Fenty re-tested seaice\_growth.F and seaice\_growth\_if.F in Labsea for > 1yr, documented unphysical sensitivity in main branch code
- Jan/2015: I.Fenty attempted to rewrite stripped down version of main-branch seaice\_growth.F to follow his seaice\_growth\_if.F , A.Nguyen tested using Labsea verification exp for multiple 1 year experiments
- Jun/2018: Arash Bigdeli's effort:
  - picked up from where A.Nguyen left off
  - brought code to checkpoint 65q (ASTE stable set up)
  - turned off pkg/CD , turned on all packages and flags required for ASTE
  - switched off pkg/cost for sea ice, used pkg/ecco/gencost for AREA & HEFF
  - switched to full ASTE (llc270) set up, stable adjoint 1yr run for cost=AREA
  - changed code to close salt budget (add saltflux) for nonlinFS≠0 (not virtual salt) cases.
- 3 ➤ added flooding & saltplume

# History

## ➤ close heat budget for nonlinFS=2

main branch: source/sink of heat/fw associated with this negative (unphysical) heff, so remove for adjoint but ,keep to add back later for budget purpose ;

call seaice advection → potentially introduces unphysically small negative heff (NEG)  
call reg\_ridging → takes care of this unphysical NEG term  
call thermodynamics

if SEAICEadjMODE = 0:

remove NEG (heff, snow) from calculation for the adjoint (for thermodynamics)  
but keep in forward run to close heat/fw budget.

(options for what we can set in adjoint mode: SEAICEapproxLevInAd [-1,0,1,2,3] )

# compare main branch seaice\_growth.F & seaice\_growth\_if.F

- regularize area (make derivative well behaved)
- calc all atmospheric and oceanic fluxes available to melt/free ice
- calc various dH and dHsnow and dArea for sea ice growth

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if SEAICEadjMODE = 0:

- keep NEG terms in forward run to close budgets
- **"remove"** NEG terms in adjoint run

- regularize area (make derivative well behaved)
- calc all atmospheric and oceanic fluxes available to melt/free ice
- melt snow
- calc dH/dt
- use reg.area to calc dA/dt

- **did not deal with NEG terms b/c dynamics were not considered**

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Arash's contrib

- **add treatment of NEG terms**
- **keep NEG terms in forward run to close budgets**
- **remove NEG terms in adjoint run**

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fix:

passed on to the rest of the calculation

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475 C =====
476 C PART 1: Store ice and snow state on onset + regularize actual
477 C snow and ice thickness
478 C =====
479 CAB
480 DO J=1,sNy
481 DO I=1,sNx
482 SIheffNeg(I,J,bi,bj)=d_HEFFbyNEG(I,J,bi,bj)*SINegFac
483 SIhsnwNeg(I,J,bi,bj)=d_HSNWbyNEG(I,J,bi,bj)*SINegFac
484 ENDDO
485 ENDDO
486
487 DO J=1,sNy
488 DO I=1,sNx
489
490 HEFF(I,J,bi,bj) = MAX(ZERO, HEFF(I,J,bi,bj))
491 AREA(I,J,bi,bj) = MAX(ZERO, AREA(I,J,bi,bj))
492
493 IF (HEFF(I,J,bi,bj) .LE. ZERO) then
494 AREA(I,J, bi,bj) = ZERO
495 HSNOW(I,J, bi,bj) = ZERO
496 ELSEIF (AREA(I,J,bi,bj) .LE. ZERO) then
497 HEFF(I,J,bi,bj) = ZERO
498 HSNOW(I,J,bi,bj) = ZERO
499 ENDIF
500
501 HEFFpreTH(I,J) = HEFF(I,J,bi,bj)
502 HSNWpreTH(I,J) = HSNOW(I,J,bi,bj)
503 AREAprTH(I,J) = AREA(I,J,bi,bj)
504
505 #ifdef ALLOW_DIAGNOSTICS
506 DIAGarrayB(I,J) = AREA(I,J,bi,bj)
507 DIAGarrayC(I,J) = HEFF(I,J,bi,bj)
508 DIAGarrayD(I,J) = HSNOW(I,J,bi,bj)
509 #endif
510 ENDDO
511 ENDDO
512
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NOT passed on to the rest of the calculation

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main branch seaice\_growth.F:

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436      DO J=1,sNy
437        DO I=1,sNx
438
439          tmpscal2 = MAX(-HEFF(I,J,bi,bj),r_QbyATM_cover(I,J)+
440 C      Limit ice growth by potential melt by ocean
441      &      AREAprETH(I,J) * r_QbyOCN(I,J))
442
443          d_HEFFbyATMonOCN_cover(I,J)=tmpscal2
444          d_HEFFbyATMonOCN(I,J)=d_HEFFbyATMonOCN(I,J)+tmpscal2
445          r_QbyATM_cover(I,J)=r_QbyATM_cover(I,J)-tmpscal2
446          HEFF(I,J,bi,bj) = HEFF(I,J,bi,bj) + tmpscal2
447
448 #ifdef ALLOW_SITRACER
449          SITrHEFF(I,J,bi,bj,3)=HEFF(I,J,bi,bj)
450 #endif
451        ENDDO
452      ENDDO
453 #endif /* SEAICE ITD */
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- any relationship  $\text{tmpscal2} = \max(-\text{HEFF}, \text{XXX})$ :
  - if tmpscal2 is only used for budget, then it's ok.
  - if used for adjoint:  $b = f(\text{tmpscale2})$ , b is now contaminated because  $db = \text{fxn of } d\text{heff}$  if all other argument in max() is zero except dheff.

main branch: through sublimation: both heff & hsnow can potentially be NEG, any  $b = \max(\text{blah}, -h[\text{snow}, \text{eff}])$ , where blah & hsnow = 0 in adjoint yield adjoint sensitivity calc produces for example  $db = -dhdnow$ , now suddenly we have sensitivity of variable b one-to-one to hsnow (with negative sign).

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1527
1528     IF (.NOT.SEAICE_growMeltByConv) THEN
1529
1530 #ifdef SEAICE_ITD
1531     DO IT=1,SEAICE_multDim
1532     DO J=1,sNy
1533     DO I=1,sNx
1534         tmpscal4 = HSNWITDpreTH(I,J,IT)
1535         &         + d_HSNWbySublim_ITD(I,J,IT)
1536         &         + d_HSNWbyATMonSNW_ITD(I,J,IT)
1537         &         + d_HSNWbyRAIN_ITD(I,J,IT)
1538         tmpscal1=MAX(r_QbyOCN(i,j)*ICE2SNOW*areaFracFactor(I,J,IT),
1539         &         -tmpscal4)
1540         tmpscal2=MIN(tmpscal1,0. _d 0)
1541 #ifdef SEAICE_MODIFY_GROWTH_ADJ
1542 Cgf no additional dependency through snow
1543         if ( SEAICEadjMODE.GE.2 ) tmpscal2 = 0. _d 0
1544 #endif
1545         d_HSNWbyOCNonSNW_ITD(I,J,IT) = tmpscal2
1546         d_HSNWbyOCNonSNW(I,J) = d_HSNWbyOCNonSNW(I,J) + tmpscal2
1547         r_QbyOCN(I,J)=r_QbyOCN(I,J) - tmpscal2*SNOW2ICE
1548     ENDDO
1549     ENDDO
1550     ENDDO
1551 #else /* ndef SEAICE_ITD */
1552     DO J=1,sNy
1553     DO I=1,sNx
1554         tmpscal1=MAX(r_QbyOCN(i,j)*ICE2SNOW, -HSNOW(I,J,bi,bj))
1555         tmpscal2=MIN(tmpscal1,0. _d 0)
1556 #ifdef SEAICE_MODIFY_GROWTH_ADJ
1557 Cgf no additional dependency through snow
1558         if ( SEAICEadjMODE.GE.2 ) tmpscal2 = 0. _d 0
1559 #endif
1560         d_HSNWbyOCNonSNW(I,J) = tmpscal2
1561         r_QbyOCN(I,J)=r_QbyOCN(I,J)
1562         &         -d_HSNWbyOCNonSNW(I,J)*SNOW2ICE
1563         HSNOW(I,J,bi,bj) = HSNOW(I,J,bi,bj)+d_HSNWbyOCNonSNW(I,J)
1564     ENDDO
1565     ENDDO

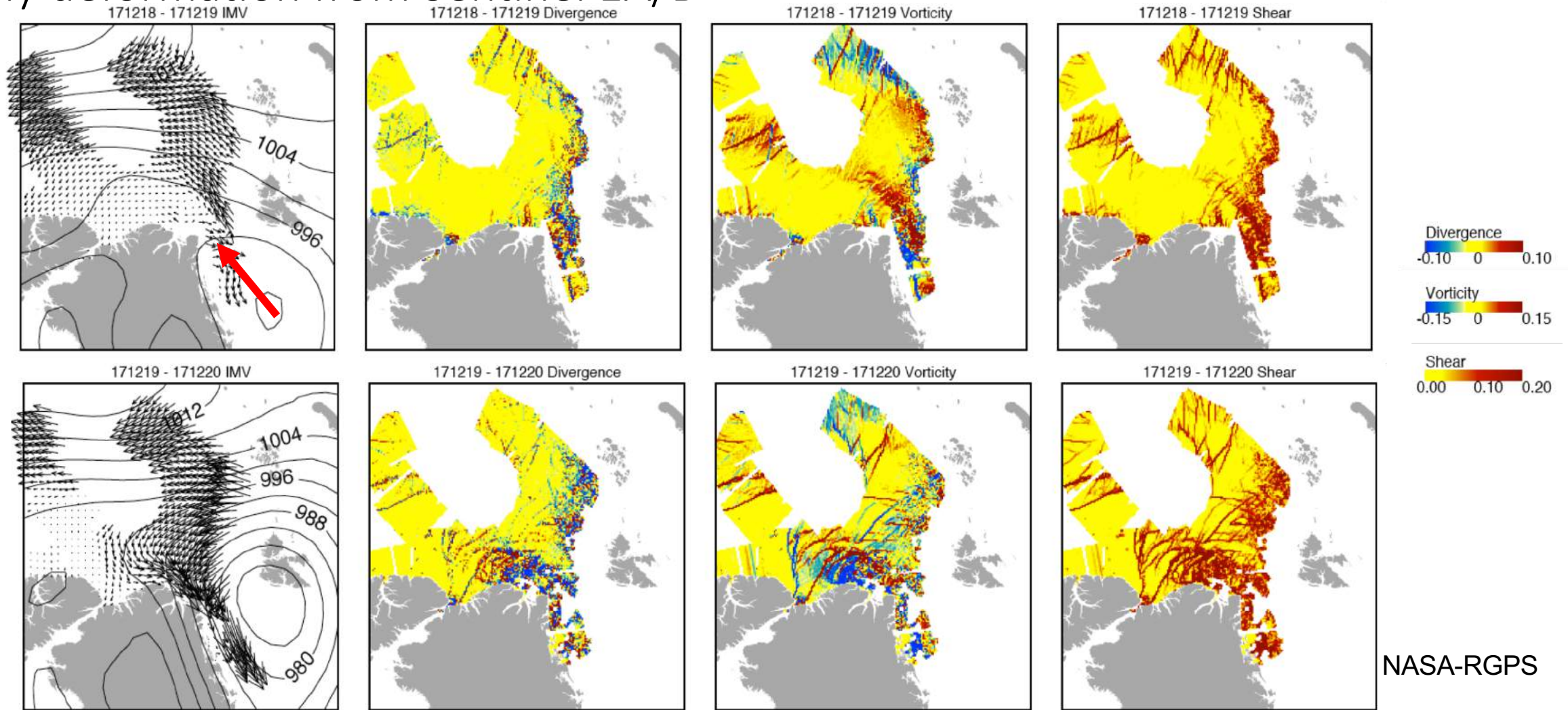
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# **High Spatial and Temporal sampling of Arctic Ice Drift (Question: utility for ECCO?)**

prepared by R. Kwok (JPL)



# What we can do now: Daily deformation from Sentinel 1A/B



Based on Copernicus Sentinel Imagery 2017, processed by ESA.



MOSAIC Science: Need ice drift at smaller spatial scales and sub-daily time scales

- Momentum transfer/heat flux and ice response Impact of openings and deformation on biogeochemical processes
- Advance understanding of sea ice mechanics/redistribution
- Model Assessment and Improvements
- Satellite Validation



## Expected MOSAIC SAR coverage

- Based on MOSAIC science requirements
  - 4X daily (within 100 km of the drifting central observatory)
  - 2X daily (within the Arctic Basin)
  - Duration (three periods – mid 2019 thru mid 2020): before, during, and after the MOSAIC drift/ nine months before (to include the MOSAIC pre-study period) and three months after



## Expected SAR coverage by 2021 w/NISAR launch



- Based on a combination of Sentinel-1, RadarSAT Constellation and NISAR
  - Routine 1-2X daily coverage of the entire basin