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EL NINO EVENTS IN DIFFERENT PDO PHASES

LIFE CYCLE ANALYSIS OF THE SALLJEX CONVECTIVE SYSTEMS

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Silva GAM, PhD Thesis, IAG/USP, Brazil

Silva, Drumond and Ambrizzi (2010), submitted to TAC

Silva, Ambrizzi and Marengo (2009 – Annales Geophysicae)

Low Level Jet, ENSO and PDO

Silva et al. (2009): 1977-2004, LLJ in canonical EN and LN events are associated to increase precipitation over the SESA, however it seems to be more intense and displaced northward during the LN years





Marengo et al. (2004) – suggestion of some relation between LLJ and PDO – No detailed dynamical analysis was performed.

SOME IMPORTANT BASIC QUESTIONS THAT NEED TO BE ANSWERED:

1. Are there any differences on the atmospheric circulation over the SA during ENSO neutral years for different PDO phases?

2. What are the possible differences in moisture supply over the SA during the austral summer of EN years for the PDO(+) and PDO(-)?

3. Could an AGCM forced with canonical EN SST on the Equatorial Pacific and distinct PDO regimes simulate the patterns observed in Question 2?

4. Are there any differences on the temporal and spatial variability of the SALLJ cases detected on the events described in Question 2?

5. How are the extratropical cyclones properties influenced by the modifications In the austral circulations associated to the patterns described in Question 2?

DATA AND METHODOLOGY

Austral summer, 1950 - 1999 period -> neutral and EN extremes selected according Zhou et al. (2001) and separated according the PDO phases (Mantua et al., 1997).
2.5° X 2.5°: Prec, Chen et al. (2002); Daily and monthly reanalisys from NCEP (Kalnay et al., 1996)
2° X 2°: monthly SST from Met Office Hadley Centre's, Rayner et al. (2003).

	El Niños	Neutral events
PDO(-)	1952/53, 1957/58, 1958/59, 1963/64, 1969/70, 1972/73	1951/52, 1953/54, 1956/57, 1959/60, 1960/61,1961/62, 1962/63,1966/67, 1967/68, 1971/72
PDO(+)	1976/77, 1977/78, 1979/80, 1982/83, 1987/88, 1990/91, 1991/92, 1992/93, 1994/95, 1997/98	1978/79, 1980/81, 1981/82, 1985/86, 1989/90, 1993/94, 1996/97

Two numerical experiments were performed with the AGCM *Community Atmosphere Model v.* 3.0 (CAM3) (Collins et al., 2006), <u>T85L26;</u>

Two ensembles with 10 members for each experiment; analysis for DJF

Experiment	Forcing in domain between 20°S-20°N;120°W-175°W	Forcing in others regions
ENPDO(+)	aSST_(El Niños) + mean_SST _{(neu_PDO(+))}	mean_SST _{(neu_PDO(+))} mean_ice marine _{(neu_PDO(+))}
ENPDO(-)	aSST _(El Niños) + mean_SST _{(neu_PDO(-))}	mean_SST _{(neu_PDO(-))} mean_ice marine _{(neu_PDO(-))}

<u>Austral summer circulations over SA during neutral years for</u> opposite PDO phases



Difference: mean NEU PDO(+) – mean NEU PDO(-)

Impacts of the EN's events during opposite PDO phases



Integrated moisture flux and divergence anomalies during opposite PDO phases

EN PDO(+)

EN PDO(-)



Difference between the ENPDO(+) and ENPDO(-) numerical experiments



EN's events during opposite PDO phases: impacts on the SALLJ



Streamfunction Anomaly Composites at 200 hPa for the periods with SALLJ during Different PDO phases

EN PDO(+)





120W

90W

60₩

Cyclone Density Anomaly and Surface Pressure during EN events with different PDO phases

0.5

0.2 -0.2

-0.5

-1.5

1.75

-0.25

-1.75

-2.5

-3.25

CD EN PDO(+)



CP EN PDO(+)



CD EN PDO(-)



CP EN PDO(-)





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SALLJEX – South American Low Level Jet Experiment

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Marengo et al., 2004

Convective System (CS) identification:

Infrared satellite images from CPC/NCEP/NWS (4 km horizontal resolution at sub satellite point and 30 minutes intervals)

ForTraCC (Forecast and Tracking of active Convective Cells), Vila et al (2008) Temperature threshold of 235K Minimum cluster of 150 pixels (2,400 km²) Life cycle ≥ 6 hours

SALLJEX network data set

Special CPTEC reanalysis (1°x1°) for 15/Dec/2002 to 15/Feb/2003 Herdies et al (2007)

Lagrangean Model (Flexpart) applied to ECMWF operational analysis (1°x1°) Stohl and James (2004,2005)

20°S latitude to delimit Tropical and Subtropical CS

CS observed in 02/Dec/2002



Convective system position from 15/Dec/2002 to 15/Feb/2003







554

4550

Distribution of continental and oceanic convective systems according to their life cycles



Distribution of convective systems according to their initiation, mature and dissipation periods (UTC)







Continental CS						
Eastward 78%			Westward 22%			
Northeastward 57%	Southeastward 41%	Eastward 1%	Northwestward 74%	Southeastward 23%		

Oceanic CS						
East	ward	Westward				
91	%	9%				
Northeastward	Southeastward	Northwestward	Southeastward 25%			
20%	80%	75%				

Moisture Source Trajectories from the Lagrangean Model



Numerical (WRF) and Observational (SALLJEX) Precipitation for the event initiated in 17/Jan/2003



Model Validation Index for all events





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