Recent Development of the COIN method in assimilating AMSR2 sea ice concentration in NorHAPS

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HIGHLIGHT

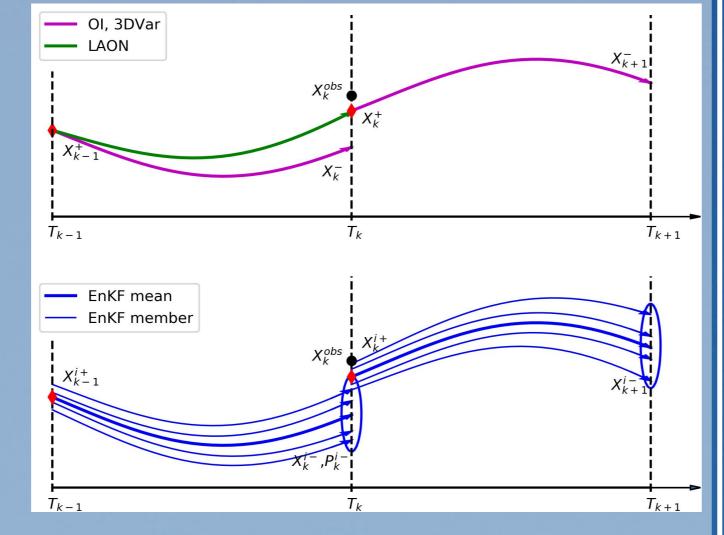
When evaluated against the Norwegian ice chart, NorHAPS produces significantly more accurate sea ice edge (SIE) and marginal ice zone (MIZ) than the AMSR2 observation that is assimilated, as well as than the CMEMS operational SIC analyses from TOPAZ4, NEMO and neXtSIM.

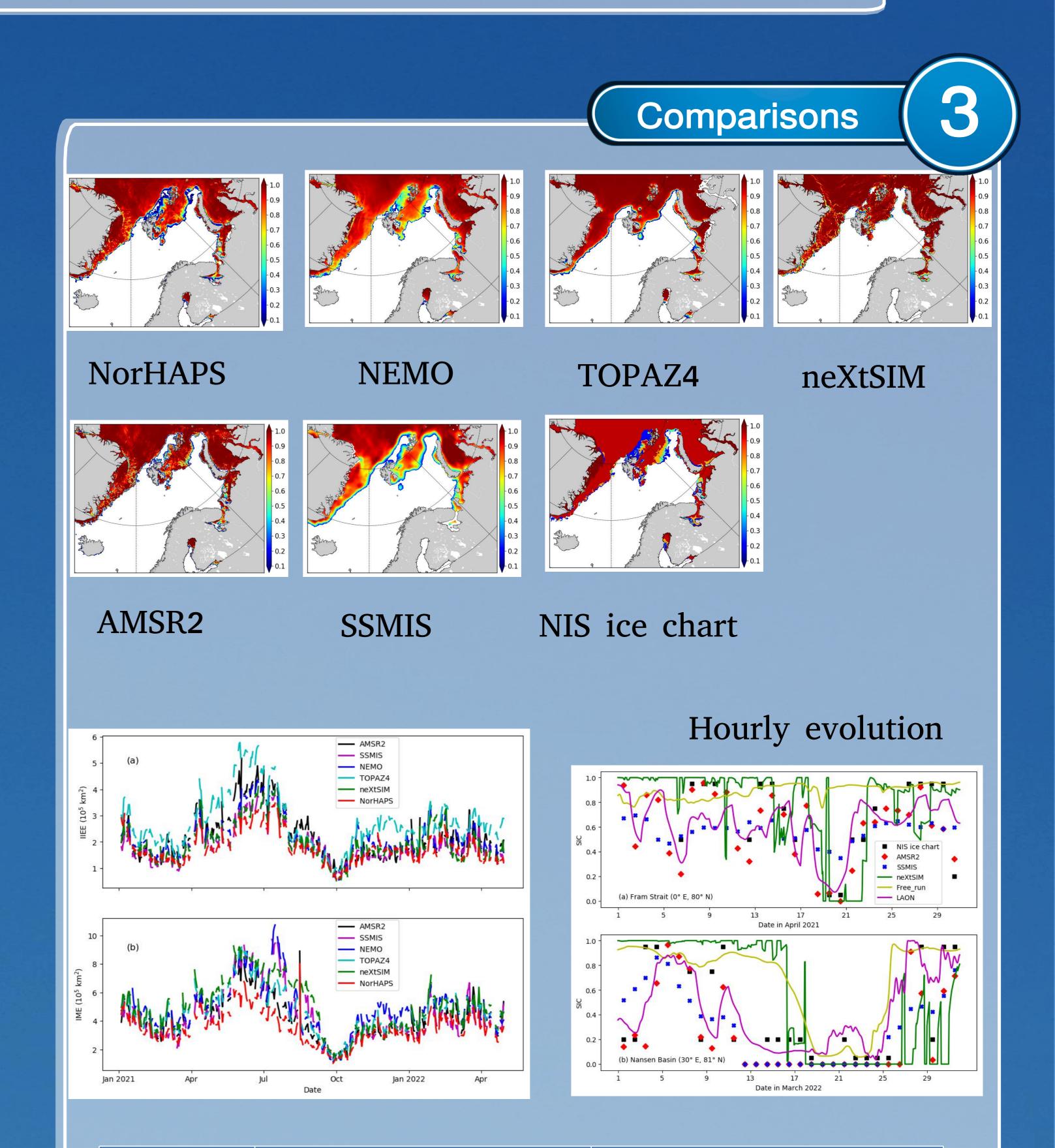
Method

NorHAPS: Norwegian Highresolution pan-Arctic ocean and sea ice Prediction System:

- 1. HYCOM 2.2.98
- 2. CICE 5.1.2
- 3. COIN (LAON) assimilation
- 4. High-resolution (3-5 km)
- 5. ECMWF HIRES atmosphere forcing
- 6. NEMO open boundary

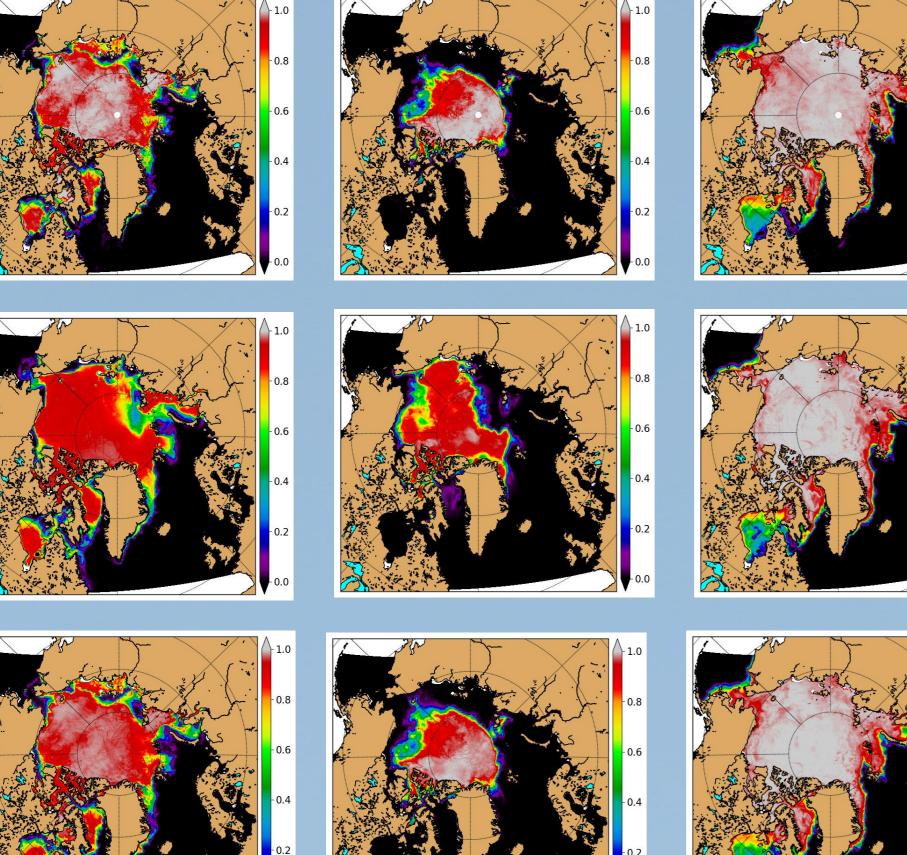
Local analytical optimal nudging (LAON) is designed to nudge the model analysis to the optimal estimate

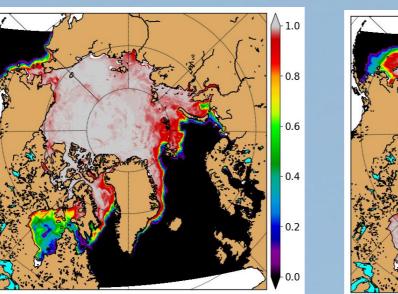


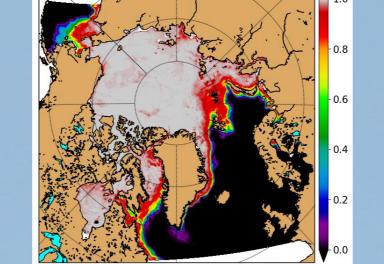


2 Twin experiment

Model experiment with and without data assimilation, from 1 January 2021 - 30 April 2022

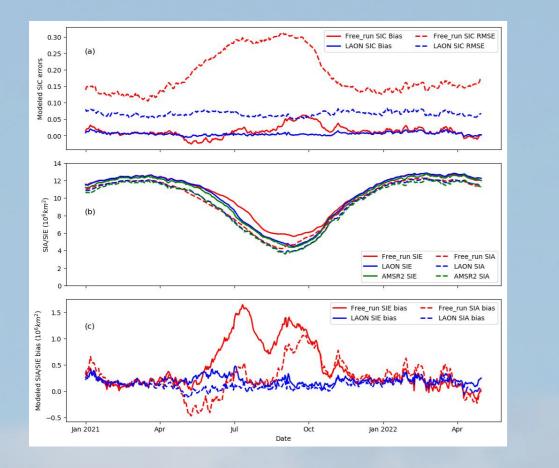


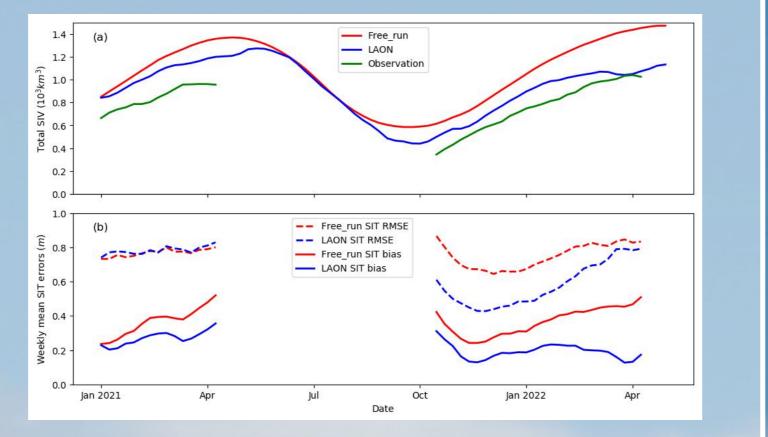




| Product | IIEE | | | IME | | |
|---------|------|------|----------|------|------|----------|
| | mean | STD | p value | mean | STD | p value |
| AMS2 | 2.22 | 0.91 | 8.04e-13 | 4.20 | 1.44 | 5.47e-11 |
| SSMIS | 1.89 | 0.68 | 3.02e-2 | 4.39 | 1.82 | 1.07e-12 |
| NEMO | 2.16 | 0.77 | 2.00e-12 | 4.89 | 1.70 | 1.51e-30 |
| TOPAZ4 | 2.74 | 1.03 | 5.54e-41 | 4.62 | 1.56 | 5.44e-23 |
| neXtSIM | 1.99 | 0.73 | 6.91e-5 | 4.99 | 1.79 | 3.12e-32 |
| NorHAPS | 1.78 | 0.59 | 1.0 | 3.54 | 1.11 | 1.0 |

AMSR2 (upper), free run (middle), and assimilated (lower) SIC, June 2021, Sept. 2021, Dec. 2021 and Mar. 2022 from left to the right.





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