

Ocean Currents and Their Distribution

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Abstract:

Insights of knowledge into the likelihood distribution of Ocean Currents are essential for different applications, such as the opportunity to experience outrageous occasions, which may influence, for instance, marine development, and for evaluating the energy that can be extricated from the Ocean. Furthermore, to devise better parameterizations for submesoscale blending, which exhibit atmosphere models can't resolve, one ought to comprehend the speed distribution and its connection to the different driving of surface ocean circulation. Their outcomes demonstrate that the distribution of the speed of Ocean current can be approximated by a Weibull distribution. Also, the creators exhibit the presence of spatial varieties of the scale and shape parameters of the Weibull distribution over a generally little small space of just a couple of kilometers. They utilize a straightforward surface Ekman layer model to examine this spatial changeability. They observe that, when constrained by neighborhood winds, this model does not imitate the perceptions.

INTRODUUCTION:

The warming of the planet is caused mainly by the Ocean. The full scale of Sun Radiation is absorbed by the Ocean and small sum is assured by the earth. In the full scale of Sun the tropical water which is near the Equator is absorbed than the other parts which is covered by the Ocean. Earth's environment additionally has an influence in this procedure, holding heat that would somehow or another rapidly emanate into space after dusk. The Ocean doesn't simply store sunlight based radiation; it additionally disperses warm the world over. At the point when water atoms are warmed, they trade unreservedly with the air in a procedure called dissipation.

Ocean water is continually vanishing, expanding the temperature and mugginess of the encompassing air to frame rain and tempests that are then conveyed by profession winds, frequently unfathomable separations. Indeed, all rain that falls ashore begins off in the Ocean. The tropics are especially stormy in light of the fact that warmth ingestion, and in this manner Ocean dissipation, is most astounding here. Outside of Earth's central regions, climatatic changes are driven to a great extent by Ocean currents. Currents are developments of Ocean water in a constant stream, made to a great extent by surface winds additionally mostly by temperature and saltiness slopes, Earth's turn, and tides (the gravitational impacts of the sun and moon). Significant current frameworks normally stream clockwise in the northern half of the globe and counterclockwise in the southern side of the equator, in roundabout examples that frequently follow the coastlines.

Ocean currents act much like a transport line, transporting warm water and precipitation from the equator toward the shafts and frosty water from the posts back to the tropics. In this manner, currents control worldwide atmosphere, checking the uneven distribution of sun powered radiation achieving Earth's surface. Without currents, provincial temperatures would be more outrageous super hot at the equator and cold toward the shafts and a great deal less of Earth's territory would be livable. Surface maritime currents are here and there wind driven and build up their run of the mill clockwise spirals in the northern half of the globe and counter-clockwise revolution in the southern side of the equator in light of forced wind stresses. In wind driven currents, the Ekman winding impact brings about the currents streaming at an edge to the driving winds.

The regions of surface Ocean currents move to some degree with the Oceans; this is most remarkable in tropical currents. The Ocean Current is segregated in different areas differently in the Deep Ocean basins by and large due to the non-symmetric surface for example, in that the eastern equatorward-streaming branch is expansive and diffuse though the western poleward streaming branch is exceptionally restricted. These western limit currents (of which the Gulf Stream is a case) are a result of the revolution of the Earth. Profound Ocean currents are driven by thickness and temperature slopes. Thermohaline flow is otherwise called the Ocean's transport line (which alludes to profound Ocean thickness driven Ocean bowl currents). These currents, are also called as submarine rivers, stream under the surface of the Ocean and are escaped prompt discovery. Where huge vertical development of Ocean currents is watched, this is known as upwelling and downwelling. Profound Ocean currents are as of now being researched utilizing an armada of submerged robots called Argo. The South Equatorial Currents of the Atlantic and Pacific straddle the equator.

In spite of the fact that the Coriolis impact is feeble close to the equator (and missing at the equator), water moving in the currents on either side of the equator is avoided somewhat poleward and supplanted by more profound water. Along these lines, tropical upwelling happens in these westbound streaming central surface currents. Upwelling is a critical procedure since this water from inside and beneath the pycnocline is frequently rich in the supplements required by marine living beings for development. By difference, for the most part poor conditions for development win in the greater part of the open tropical Ocean in light of the fact that solid layering disengages profound, supplement rich water from the sunlit Ocean surface. Extent of Learning the surface Ocean currents is fundamental in decreasing expenses of transportation, since going with them diminishes fuel costs. In the wind controlled cruising ship period, information was significantly more basic.

A decent case of this is the Agulhas Current, which since quite a while ago kept Portuguese mariners from achieving India. As of late, around the globe cruising contenders make great utilization of surface currents to fabricate and look after speed. Ocean currents are critical in the investigation of marine trash, and the other way around. These currents additionally influence temperatures all through the world. For instance, the Ocean momentum that brings warm water up the north Atlantic to northwest Europe additionally in total and gradually pieces ice from shaping along the Oceanshores, which would likewise square ships from entering and leaving inland conduits and Oceanports, subsequently Ocean currents assume an unequivocal part in impacting the atmospheres of locales through which they stream. Icy Ocean water currents spilling out of polar and sub-polar districts get a considerable measure of tiny fish that are critical to the proceeded with survival of a few key Ocean animal species in marine environments. Since microscopic fish are the sustenance of fish, plenteous fish populaces regularly live where these currents prevail.

Ocean currents can likewise be utilized for generation of marine power, with territories off of Japan, Florida and Hawaii being considered for test projects. Surface currents make up just 8% of all water in the Ocean, are by and large confined to the upper 400 m (1,300 ft) of Ocean water, and are isolated from lower areas by differing temperatures and saltiness which influence the thickness of the water, which thusly, characterizes every maritime district. Since the development of profound water in Ocean bowls is created by thickness driven strengths and gravity, profound waters sink into profound Ocean bowls at high scopes where the temperatures are sufficiently chilly to bring about the thickness to increment. Ocean currents are measured in sverdrup (sv), where 1 sv is identical to a volume stream rate of 1,000,000 m³ (35,000,000 cu ft) every second. Surface currents are found on the surface of a Ocean, and are driven by substantial scale wind currents.

They are straightforwardly influenced by the wind the Coriolis Effect assumes a part in their practices.

Motivation:

The inspiration driving inferring this distribution is as per the following: 1) For many pragmatic applications, it is important to know the flow distribution, particularly to predict the likelihood of greatly extreme currents, to all the more effectively oversee sea exchange, jetties, ports, and so on 2) There is a need to parameterize subgrid horizontal sea blending in numerical models. In light of restricted PC control, exhibit day sea and atmosphere models generally resolve forms on scales as little as a couple of kilometers and need to parameterize forms on littler scales. To better parameterize submesoscale sea blending, we ought to know the likelihood distribution capacity of surface currents. In spite of the fact that it was appeared before that the distribution of surface current speed takes after the Weibull distribution on the mesoscale and bigger scales, here we show this connection for the submesoscale. 3) Finally, information of the distribution of the currents can serve as a benchmark for sea models; that is, one can test whether these models duplicate similar measurements of the watched currents.

Related Study:

Past reviews have either utilized a predetermined number of point estimations and in this way had restricted spatial and temporal sampling (e.g., Chu 2008) or utilized speeds from numerical models (Bracco et al. 2003). Different reviews have utilized currents got from satellite altimeters (Gille and Smith 1998, 2000; Chu 2009) and observed that surface current speed takes after the Weibull distribution; these satellite information were gathered around like clockwork and had a spatial determination of 18318. What's more, a late review (Laws et al. 2010) introduced surface speed likelihood distribution works however did not talk about the state of the likelihood distributions.

Here, we extricate the distribution of surface currents utilizing a dataset of surface currents measured by HF radar. This dataset is described by quite a while arrangement (one year) with fine temporal (half hour) and spatial (300 m) resolutions. These submesoscale radar observations in this manner fill an essential gap between point estimations [by current meter or acoustic Doppler current profiler (ADCP)] and mesoscale information (a couple of many kilometers). As said above, we demonstrate that surface current distribution might be approximated by the Weibull distribution. Mapping of the scale and shape parameters of the Weibull distribution over an area size of 10–20 km demonstrates critical changes in these distribution parameters. Utilizing a basic model, we recommend that wind spatial and transient changeability underlies the watched spatial inconstancy of the parameters of the Weibull distribution.

Ocean current driving:

Oceanography has made some amazing progress from that point forward, having focused on comprehension the physical rule that drive the seas and utilizing the instruments of arithmetic and hypothetical liquid elements to estimate their conduct. Understudies of oceanography now invest more energy attempting to grasp vorticity, reverse techniques and typical mode investigation than finding out about the elements of the profound Ocean bowls and minor Oceans or about the climatic locales of the seas. Furthermore, this is which is all well and good, for little is found out in science through minor depiction; investigation and conclusion are required before anybody can claim to get it. Things being what they are, understanding the sea course is incomprehensible without learning of land subtle elements - the profundity of certain sea ledges, for instance, or the eccentricities of the wind field and its Oceansonal variety. To isolate the realities about the geology of the sea from gained information about its progression would resemble isolating the retaining of the vocabulary of another dialect from the learning of its syntax.

What we propose to do is depict the components of the world sea both as a precise practice in topography and as cases of physical standards at work. These physical standards are adequately capable and all-inescapable that it merits presenting them first. This and the accompanying four parts are a rundown of a portion of the standards and their outcomes, and will serve as a kind of perspective for all sections to come. Understudies of oceanography who are utilizing this book as first experience with the train will discover them fundamental perusing. Propelled understudies who utilize the book as a result of a need to catch up on their insight on the topography of the seas can avoid the initial five sections and go straight to the part important to them. Both ought to take specific notice of the figures which go with the content. With a touch of direction, much can be learnt by taking a gander at observational information. Our content will give the direction, however it won't go into point by point portrayals of what can be seen all the more effectively in figures. The figures are along these lines not outlines of the content; they are a vital piece of this book.

Some learning of the geology of the seas is basic in territorial oceanography. While we endeavored to incorporate however much important geological data as could reasonably be expected, clarity of figures must rank higher than detail in an early on content. At times the area of an element can be controlled by counseling the record. In different cases the utilization of a rudimentary land map book might be required. One last note on the utilization of geographic and oceanographic classification, before a few perusers turn the page and continue to different parts. In spite of the fact that the utilization of geological names and the tenets on naming newfound geographic components are managed by a worldwide counseling body, utilization of topographical names in oceanography is not uniform. This is especially valid for components, for example, currents, fronts, or water masses, which are not secured by the universal controls on the utilization of geographical names.

Oceanographers have a lamentable propensity for attempting to make their stamp by putting names to their enjoying on components which might possibly have been named before (likely to another person's loving). In this content we receive the rule that geographic components are alluded to under the names utilized on the GEBCO graphs (IHO/IOC/CHS, 1984). In references to currents and fronts we utilize for the most part acknowledged names where they exist, leaning toward names which incorporate a reference to geographic elements (e.g. Peru/Chile Current, not Humboldt Current). All around acknowledged names for water masses exist just for the significant maritime water masses; other water masses can be found under an assortment of names in the writing. Our use of water mass names is construct somewhat with respect to chronicled utilize, incompletely on the deliberate way to deal with water mass investigation depicted. Wherever conceivable we utilize names as of now presented by others and don't develop our own. We come back to our talk of the most critical physical standards.

An examination of what generally are components of geophysical liquid progression is not to everybody's loving; in any case, a portion of the standards deciding sea streams end up being very basic, and by comprehension them it is conceivable to go far towards understanding the part of the sea in atmosphere varieties, both characteristic or man-made. The sea is one of a kind in this regard; it can retain warm in one locale, and reestablish it to the climate (maybe decades or hundreds of years after the fact) at a very better place. This has turned into a theme of far reaching interest and serious reOceanrch as of late, and by spending some exertion on comprehension the hidden standards perusers will find that they can pick up a comprehension of a significant part of the present day writing on this subject. In the event that we reject tidal strengths, which have little impact on the long haul mean properties of the sea, the maritime flow is driven by three outside impacts: wind stress, warming and cooling, and dissipation and precipitation - all of

which, thus, are at last determined by radiation from the sun. To comprehend why temperature, saltiness and all different properties of the seas' waters are circulated the way they are, an essential information about these outside strengths is important. We in this way start our portrayal of the topography of the seas with a brief take a gander at the air, which holds the way to the question how the energy got from the sun keeps the sea course going. We note at the beginning that this approach overlooks the way that the course of the environment is thusly impacted by the distribution of maritime properties, for example, Ocean surface temperature (in oceanography regularly contracted as SST) and the distribution of Ocean ice. Specifically, the measure of dissipation from the sea depends unequivocally on the Ocean surface temperature; and when the vanished water is returned as rain it discharges its idle warmth into the encompassing air. This warming is presumably the most grounded main thrust for the air winds.

To comprehend the maritime and air dissemination completely we ought to regard them as a solitary arrangement of two connecting parts, coupled at the air-Ocean interface through the fluxes of force, warmth, and mass. This obviously convolutes the errand and couldn't be accomplished with customary oceanographic or meteorological apparatuses. In spite of the fact that the stage has now been achieved where treatment of the sea and the air as a coupled framework is turning out to be increasingly practical, it appears to be a word of wisdom for a starting content to take after the conventional approach and consider the condition of the climate as decided freely of the condition of the sea. We should come back to the subject of connection amongst sea and environment in the last three sections when we examine interannual atmosphere variances and long haul environmental change. The measure of heat radiation got by the external air fluctuates from the equator to the posts. The distinction changes with the Oceansons, however by and large the central locales get substantially more warmth than the polar areas.

The cold air at the posts is denser than the warm air at the equator; and since the pneumatic force at the Ocean surface or ashore is controlled by the heaviness of the air over the perception point, gaseous tension at Ocean level is higher at the shafts than at the equator - as it were, a weight inclination is set up which is coordinated from the shafts toward the equator. The weight inclination in the upper part of the air has the inverse sign. In liquids and gasses, weight slopes deliver spill out of districts of high weight to locales of low weight. On the off chance that the earth were not turning, the reaction to these weight inclinations would be immediate and straightforward. Two course cells would be set up, one in either side of the equator, by the differential sun powered warming. At Ocean level, winds would blow from the shafts to the equator; the air would then ascent and recycle back to the posts at incredible stature. On a pivoting earth this example is altered firmly, in two ways. Firstly, as air moves towards the equator, the turn of the earth shifts sea and land eastbound under it. An onlooker moving with the land encounters the air development as an "easterly" wind, i.e. a twist blowing from the east, with an equatorward part. In the tropics and subtropics this wind is known as the Trade Wind, in polar scopes it happens as the Polar Easterlies. The result is that the twist no longer blows from locales of high weight to districts of low weight along the most direct course however has a tendency to take after shapes of consistent weight (isobars) - henceforth the helpfulness of isobars on the day by day climate outline the TV news.

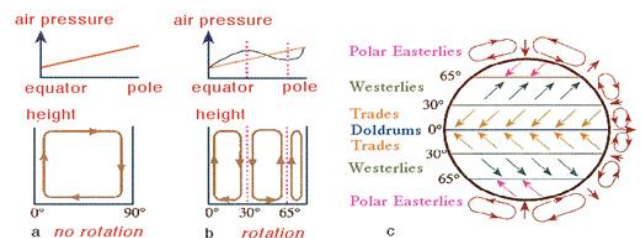
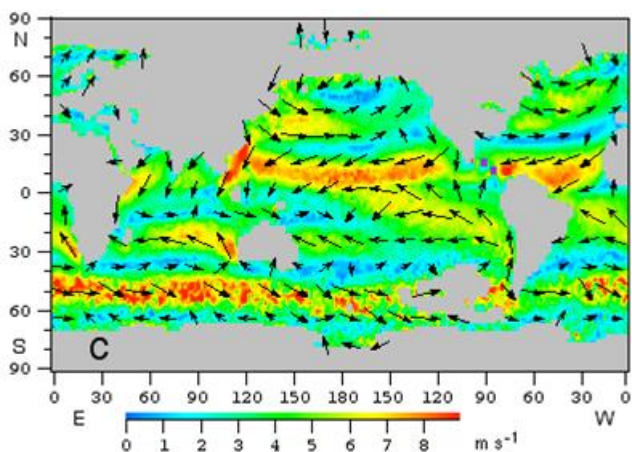
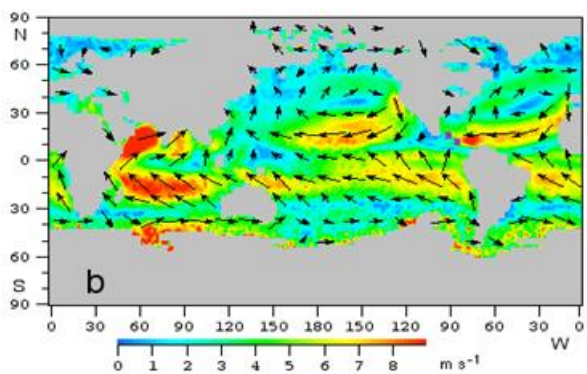
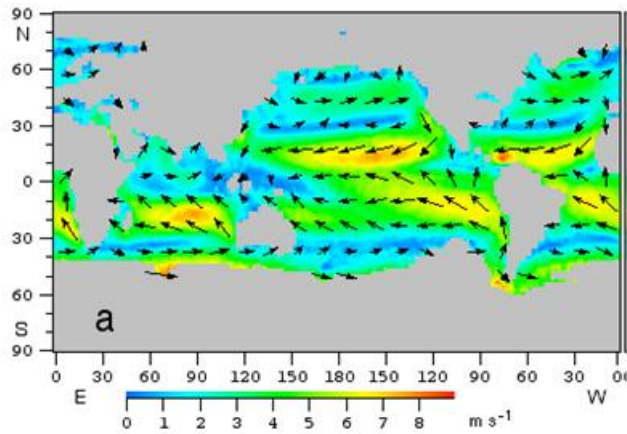


Figure 1: Schematic diagram of the meridional air pressure distribution and associated air movement (a) on a non-rotating earth, (b) on a rotating earth without continents, (c) viewed from above.



Sea Currents know them well and allude to them as the Roaring Forties, in this manner communicating their experience that somewhere around 40° and 50° scope the winds are typically solid, exceptionally factor and extremely breezy.

Since air warms up quicker over the mainlands than over the seas amid summer, and cools speedier amid winter, extensive land masses are portrayed by low gaseous tension in summer - in respect to pneumatic stress over the sea at a similar scope and high pneumatic stress in winter. This outcomes in a deviation of normal twist course from predominantly easterly or for the most part westerly over a few sections of the seas. Some sea districts encounter solid Oceansonal varieties in wind heading, including complete inversion. Such wind frameworks are known as rainstorm. In passing, it ought to be noticed that the tradition for demonstrating the heading of sea currents contrasts from the tradition utilized for wind bearings. A "westerly" wind is a wind which blows from the west and goes toward the east; a "westbound" ebb and flow is a momentum which seldom, if at any time, go to Ocean; yet it is effectively comprehended and recollected when identified with functional involvement with winds and sea currents. Ashore, it is essential to know from where the wind blows: any windbreak must be raised in this heading. Where the wind goes is of no outcome.

At Ocean, the critical data is the place the ebb and flow goes: a ship presented to ebb and flow float needs to remain well address from issues downstream. Where the water originates from is irrelevant. From the perspective of oceanography, information of the planetary twist field over the Ocean surface has dependably been inadmissible. It is hard to get quantitatively precise twist information from the seas, especially from locales remote from real sending courses. Progresses in numerical demonstrating of the air and the utilization of floating floats outfitted with weight sensors incredibly enhanced our insight into winds over the Antarctic sea, however the information are still not satisfactory for some oceanographic purposes. What is required in oceanography is precise estimation of wind slopes as opposed to unadulterated wind quality, which puts substantially more stringent quality prerequisites on the individual information.

Be that as it may, critical advance has been made, and will be made throughout the following decade. At the point when the wind field is contrasted and the weight field it is seen that the almost zonal weight distribution in the southern side of the equator produces solid and relentless Westerlies somewhere around 40° and 60°S. The rest of the sea is commanded by wind frameworks portrayed by twist development around focuses of high and low weight. Amid northern summer, for instance, the Trade Wind and the Westerlies over the North Pacific Ocean are components of a twist framework in which air flows around a barometrical high in a clockwise way. It is a general decide that air moves around air highs in a clockwise heading in the northern side of the equator and in a hostile to clockwise bearing in the southern side of the equator. In like manner, development around air lows is hostile to clockwise in the northern side of the equator, clockwise in the southern side of the equator. In meteorology and oceanography, flow around a focal point of low weight is called cyclonic, dissemination around focuses of high weight is called hostile to cyclonic.

Results:

An representative case of surface current speed. This present speed timeseries (which traverses one year) has sporadic and complex variances.

Table 1: Summary of the statistical parameters

Parameter	Annual	Winter	Summer
k	1.66 0.19	1.63 0.20	1.84 0.20
	1.0 6 2.3	8.35 6 2.10	11.39 6 2.50
y	23.38 1.60	21.37 1.27	24.22 1.88
u	20.63 1.22	0.02 1.03	20.81 1.25
	9.88 6 2.08	7.51 6 1.88	10.14 6 2.21

Next, we determine the insights of the distribution at every network cell and at the distinctive Oceansons; halfhourly information give enough information focuses to such an investigation. As said over, the water segment in the inlet changes essentially between a stratified water section Oceanson and a blended water segment Oceanson.

This effectsly affects the flow. For instance, close to the drift, the tidal flag is solid in the stratified Oceanson and practically truant in the blended Oceanson. It is along these lines intriguing to take a gander at the spatial and Oceansonal inconstancy of the shape and scale parameters of the Weibull distribution. The shape parameter is plainly bigger amidst the space and littler along the outskirts, for both summer and winter. This may be the consequence of nearness to the drift, which constrains the cross-shore part of the speed. The maximal esteem is around. Strikingly, the area with greatest esteem moves northward amid the winter. With respect to the scale parameter, obviously it shows a comparable example concerning the mean sea ebb and flow field. The outcomes are reliable with past reviews that demonstrated more prominent current speed amid the mid year; here, be that as it may, we distinguish the area of this most extreme at the southernmost (and most profound) part of the space.

This is by one means or another normal in light of the fact that the northerly winds (and henceforth the wind-driven segment of the currents) accelerate at more remote separations from the northern shore of the inlet. In condense the outcomes by playing out a spatial mean for the fields and for the zonal and meridional currents parts. Here, plainly amid summer the currents are more exceptional than amid winter. Likewise, the shape parameter k is bigger amid summer. In any case, the mean zonal current amid summer is more than triple higher than that of winter, which is steady with the more diligent currents amid summer. The yearly mean qualities are nearer to the late spring values on the grounds that the bay is stratified consistently, with the exception of amid winter. Take note of that, on the grounds that exclusive the surface currents are considered here, the present mean vector does not really equivalent to the net inflow/surge at the southern open limit of the inlet but instead chiefly speaks to the mean twist activity on the current. We likewise assessed the vulnerability of the k shape parameter of the yearly time arrangement in view of the Hazard

work, we demonstrate this parameter by khazard and the k parameter that depends on the first and second moments by kmoment. Despite the fact that the khazard displays a comparative example to that of kmoment appeared in Fig. 3a, there are detectable contrasts between the two. By and large, k moment is bigger than k hazard, where in the vast majority of the area the total contrast is under 0.1, approving the spatial inconstancy. In the standard blunder of k hazard is introduced, where obviously the evaluated mistake is under 0.15; as anyone might expect, the standard blunder displays close likeness to the distinction k hazard 2 k moment, the R2 estimations of k hazard are exhibited, and unmistakably, all through a large portion of the space, R2 is bigger than 0.6, where the lower qualities are found near the shore. In a few places, the distinction khazard2kmoment is twofold higher than the standard blunder. This reality together with the deliberate lower k hazard contrasted with k minute shows that Weibull distribution may not be the ideal fit for all sea currents. This issue will be further examined somewhere else.

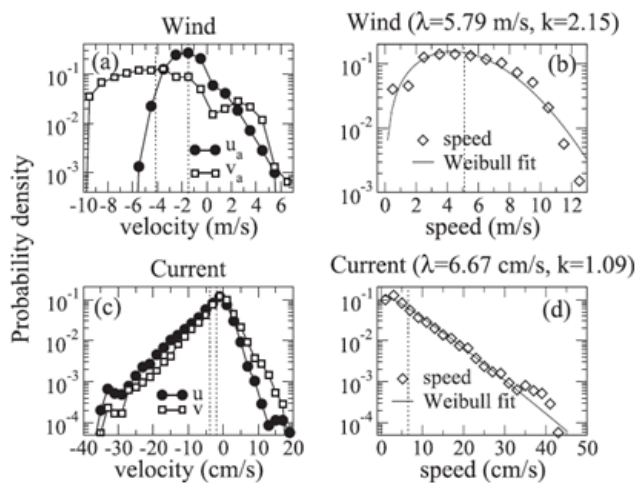


Figure 2: (a) The probability distribution of the zonal (circles) and meridional (squares) winds of Eilat air terminal. (b) The distribution of the wind speed (jewel) time arrangement. The strong line shows the Weibull distribution fit. (c) As in (a), however for the simulated surface currents. Here, the distributions are around exponential (direct on semilog plot) yet with various types for positive and negative qualities. (d) As in (b),

yet for the mimicked surface currents. The tail of the distribution is practically exponential. The strong line demonstrates the Weibull fit to the distribution (with $k \approx 1.1$). The vertical specked lines in (a)–(d) demonstrate the mean values.

Conclusion:

The review finishes up the Eilat however the clamor amplitudes of the base currents are changed. The outcomes are and obviously even extensive changes of the base currents have little impact at first glance current shape parameter. Also, the shape parameter is much littler than the watched ones. It is in this way far-fetched that the vacillations of the base surface underlay the spatial changeability of the shape parameter of the Weibull distribution. Past reviews indicated that, when the zonal and meridional wind parts are Gaussian disseminated, the sea currents are Rayleigh appropriated. Spurred by this, we constrained the model by misleadingly created winds whose segments are Gaussian circulated. We evaluated the k example for various estimations of plentifulness of base current clamor (where the zonal-and meridional-mean current are zero) and found that the type changed from.

These numerical outcomes are not quite the same as the systematic expectation for zero base currents (without clamor added to them), the mean k 6 one standard deviation is $k \approx 1.960.01$ (i.e., well underneath $k \approx 5.2$), while the logical forecast was of $k \approx 5.2$. This distinction might be ascribed to the way that overlooked in the investigative deduction or to the way that the explanatory determination alluded to the profundity coordinated (mean) currents. As mentioned over, the surface wind information are hourly mean information and were straightly introduced to drive the model with 10-s-determination information. Accordingly, wind fluctuation (and twist blasts) with a period size of short of what one hour is disregarded. To copy this changeability, we added Gaussian repetitive sound the zonal and meridional twist segments; here, the estimation of the k example

changed definitely as an element of the additional commotion adequacy, proposing the quick wind transient fluctuation as a hotspot for the spatial inconstancy of the surface currents displayed.

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