

Decode large-scale reorganization
of atmosphere (& ocean) to
understand how critical climate
feedbacks work.

Interactions between:

{ cryosphere
atmosphere
hydrosphere }

Key aspects of D-O events.

- ① $\sim 1,500$ year cycle
- ② asymmetry between warming & cooling.
- ③ phase difference between hemispheres.

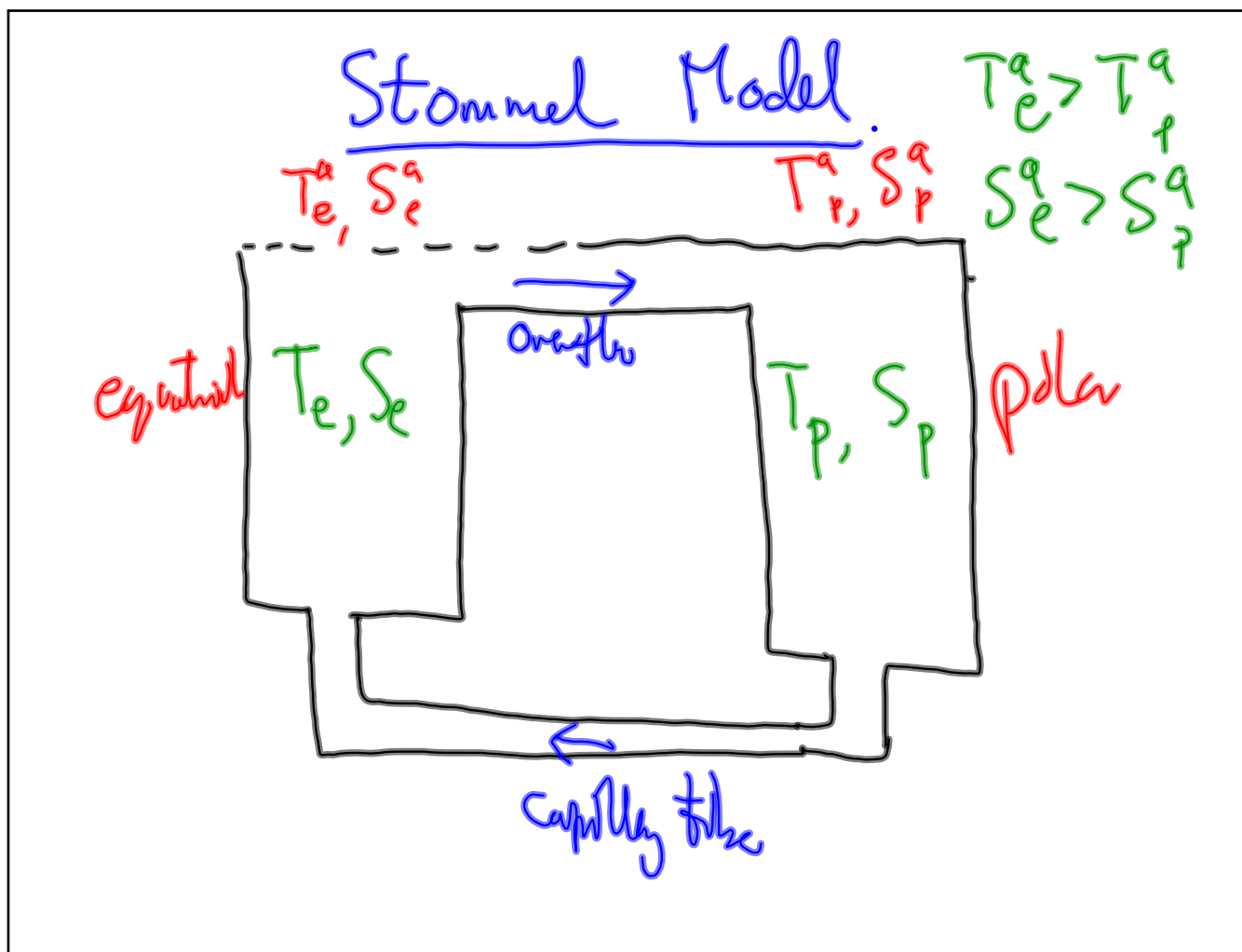
Debate: What causes the DO events

2008: Clement & Petersen

Accepted: ocean circulation is involved.

Thermohaline Circulation.

related to: MOC - meridional
overturning circulation



$$\text{Flaw } \bar{\Psi} = \alpha \frac{\rho_p - \rho_e}{\rho_0}$$

ρ_p = density of polymer.

ρ_e = " " " eq " "

ρ_0 = reference density

Equation of state,

$$\rho = \rho_0 (1 - \alpha_T (T - T_0) + \alpha_S (S - S_0))$$

Idea: form DES based on 2 effects:

① left side, relax to atmospheric
temperature & salinity

② flow in either direction driven
by gradients.

Heat & salt balances:

$$V_p \frac{dT_p}{dt} = C_p(T_p^a - T_p) + |\psi|(T_e - T_p)$$

$$V_e \frac{dT_e}{dt} = C_e(T_e^a - T_e) + |\psi|(T_p - T_e)$$

$$V_p \frac{dS_p}{dt} = C_p(S_p^a - S_p) + |\psi|(S_e - S_p)$$

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$$R_T = C_T^i / V_p = C_T^e / V_e$$

$$R_s = C_s^i / V_p = C_s^e / V_e$$

$$\Psi = \delta [\alpha_T (\bar{T}_e - \bar{T}_p) + \alpha_s (\bar{S}_p - \bar{S}_e)]$$

Next step: derive eqns. for

$$T = T_p - T_e \quad \text{and} \quad S = S_p - S_e$$

Can reduce to a 2D system of equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dT}{dt} = & R_T (\bar{T}_p - T_e) \\ & + R_T (\bar{T}_e - \bar{T}_p) \\ & + \gamma \left[\frac{|\alpha_T \bar{T} - q_{ss}|}{V_p} + \frac{|q_T T - q_{ss}|}{V_e} \right] T \end{aligned}$$

End up w/:

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = R_T \eta - R_T T - \alpha |\psi| \left(\frac{V_e + V_p}{V_e V_p} \right) T$$

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = R_S S - R_S S - \alpha |\psi| \left(\frac{V_e + V_p}{V_e V_p} \right) S$$

Non-dimensionalize.

After much algebra:

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = \eta_1 - T(1 + |T - s|)$$

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = \eta_2 - S(\eta_3 + |T - s|)$$

$$T = T_e - T_p, \quad S = S_e - S_p$$

$$\eta_1 \propto T_e^a - T_p, \quad \eta_2 \propto S_e^a - S_p^a$$

$$\eta_3 \approx R_s / R_T$$

Fixed points: set $RHS=0$.

$$\eta_1 - T(1 + |T-S|) = 0$$

$$\eta_2 - S(\eta_3 + |T-S|) = 0$$

Change variables: $\phi = T-S$, $T = T$

$$(1) \quad \eta_1 - T(1 + |\phi|) = 0$$

$$(2) \quad \eta_2 - (T-\phi)(\eta_3 + |\phi|) = 0$$

