# Northward Propagating Summer Monsoon ISOs during YOTC Period





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What is responsible for the northward propagation?

Regressed OLR (shaded) and 850 hPa relative vorticity (contour) w.r.t a reference time series of 10-90 day filtered OLR



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FIG. 2. Wavenumber–frequency spectral power of observed precipitation and 850-hPa zonal winds anomalies averaged over the latitude band 5°–25°N. The *y* axis left ordinate is frequency (in cycles per day, cpd) and right ordinate is period (days), while the *x* axis represents zonal wavenumber. The minimum contour and contour interval is 0.5; contours greater than 2.0 are shaded.





Figure 2.15. (a) Regressed 30–60-day filtered anomalies of OLR (shaded; W m<sup>-2</sup>) and 850hPa relative vorticity (contour, positive solid and negative dashed, contour interval  $1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ) with respect to the reference time series described in Figure 2.10 averaged over 80°E–90°E. (b) Regressed 30–60-day filtered anomalies of 850-hPa relative vorticity (contour, positive solid and negative dashed, contour interval  $1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ) and divergence at 925 hPa (shaded;  $10^{-6} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ) with respect to the same reference time series.







**SOM and the prospect of Extreme Event Prediction** 







## Lat-time plot of 20-90 day filtered OLR averaged over 70-90E during summer monsoon 2008







# **The Problem:**

- The event-to-event variations of northward propagation speed of summer ISO's limits the potential predictability
- YOTC period provides an unique opportunity to study and understand the factors responsible for variation of northward propagation of the ISO during onset phase of the Indian monsoon

Two very contrasting cases are witnessed. During 2008 onset phase, the propagation of the ISO was very fast while in 2009 onset took place but the northward propagation of ISO was very slow !





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#### Northward propagation of OLR anomalies (70 – 90 E)





- > What is responsible for these differences?
- What is the role of eastward propagating MJO on this speed of northward propagation of summer ISO's?
- What is the role of mid-latitude influence versus tropical forcing?
- What is the role of stratiform vs convective rain on this propagation?





Goswami and Xavier 2005, GRL, doi:10.1029/2005GL023216

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FIGURE 3.3: (A) The area used to define  $\Delta TT$ . (B) Shows the evolution of climatological values of  $\Delta TT$  (K×6, solid red line, scale to the left) and the climatological mean vertical shear of zonal winds (U<sub>200</sub> - U<sub>850</sub>) averaged over 50°-95°E, 0°-15°N (m s<sup>-1</sup>, dashed blue line, scale to the left). The latitude of zero absolute vorticity averaged between 50°E and 100°E (solid green line, scale to the right). Shaded area under the  $\Delta TT$  curve represents the climatological value of TISM (Section 3.1.1).





TT gradient has slightly changed sign from negative to positive on 23<sup>rd</sup> May. But after two days, it has again gone to negative side. The data is up to 1<sup>st</sup> July. On 28<sup>th</sup> May, again TT gradient has become positive, became negative on 31<sup>st</sup> May. 1<sup>st</sup> June onwards, it is in the positive side.

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## Evolution of daily All India rainfall during 2008 monsoon season



## Lat-time plot of 20-90 day filtered OLR averaged over 70-90E during summer monsoon 2008





Lat-time plot of 20-90 day filtered TRMM precip averaged over 70-90E during onset phase of summer monsoon 2008, (I) total, (m) stratiform, ® convective

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## Vertical shear of zonal winds averaged over 50-100E, 5-15N



# Monsoon of 2009









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24.Jul -29.Jul -1 3.Aug - 8-Aug 13-Aug 18-Aug 23-Aug 28-Aug 2-Sep 7-Sep 12-Sep 17-Sep 22-Sep 27-Sep -

29-Jun -

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30-May-

4. Jun - 9. Jun - 9. Jun - 14. Jun - 19. Jun - 24. Jun -

25-May-

#### Active Break Time series over Central India



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Tropospheric temperature averaged between 600mb and 200mb, is area averaged over two regions: 40 - 100 E; 5° - 35°N (TTN) & 40° - 100°E;15°S - 5°N (TTS). When the tropospheric temperature gradient, TTN-TTS changes sign from negative to positive, onset occurs within two days and when it becomes positive to negative, withdrawal takes place.





#### **Spatial plot of Rainfall Anomaly**



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# Probabilistic Prediction using SOM technique

- \*Here we used 13 parameter for SOM prediction.
- 20X20 SOM nodes

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- Forecast based on past 9 days information
- Out of 5856 days (122 days X 48 years ) 50 random ensemble are chosen to create the past analogs (ISO pattern) each having 2928 ( 5856/2) days of data.

Ensemble mean forecast and the % of forecast in a particular category (drought, normal, flood) are shown here.

#### Fourth Pentad Rainfall Forecast



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#### Actual Rainfall data from IMD





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# Active-break spells (cycles)

Daily rainfall (mm/day) over central India for three years, 1972, 1986 and 1988

The smooth curve shows long term mean.

Red shows above normal or wet spells while blue shows below normal or dry spells







Relationship between Monsoon ISOs and monsoon onset



Onset





(b) Small figures indicate actual rainfall (mm), while bold figures indicate normal rainfall (mm).