Sea Ice Outlook 2016 based on AMSR2 ice extent

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Executive summary

I provide a simple statistical estimate for the September sea ice extent based on the total sea ice extent measured on August: 4.4 ± 0.4 .

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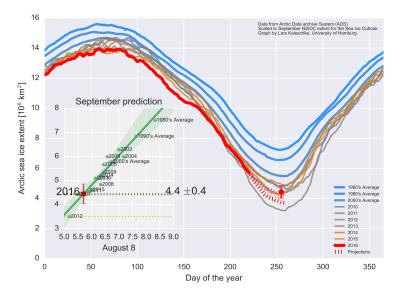


Figure 1: Sea ice extent from ADS, projections based on past declines, and statistical regression based on August 8 (x-axis) and Sept (y-axis) scaled to NSIDC monthly values. Uncertainties of the statistical regression are given with 5σ intervalls.

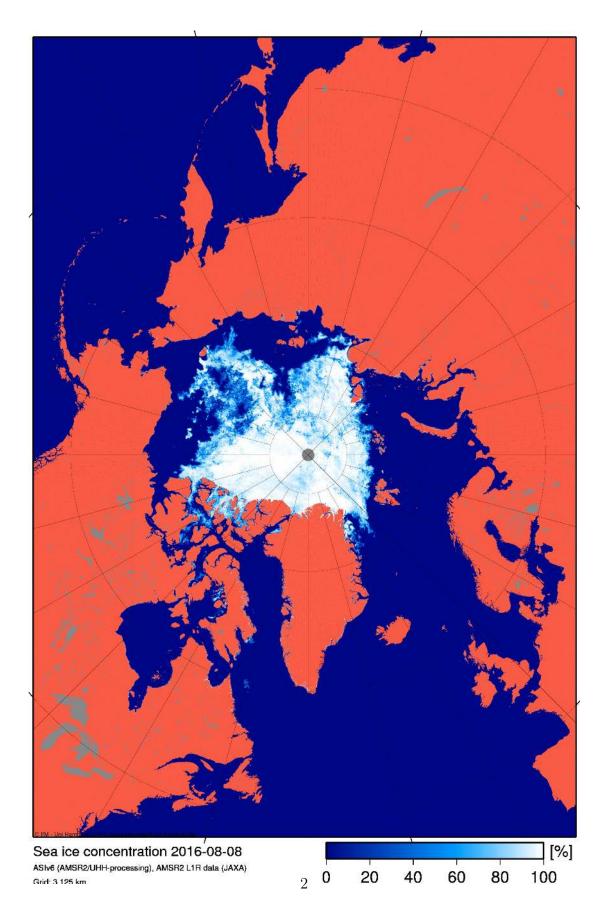


Figure 2: Sea ice concentration from AMSR2 on 8 August 2016.