ECCO Version 4 Release 2   [https://dataverse.harvard.edu/dataverse/ECCOv4r2inputs] [doi:10.7910/DVN/DKXQHO]

- This dataset (http://dx.doi.org/10.7910/DVN/DKXQHO) provides the ECCO Version 4 Release 2 ice cover inputs:
      nsidc79_monthly_YYYY   ice-cover fraction from http://nsidc.org/

- Comments:
- The monthly data was mapped by C. King to the ECCO v4 grid (LLC90) using gmcfaces (See Forget et al 2015), and organized by year (as indicated by the YYYY suffix). For additional detail regarding the origin and processing of this dataset please refer to http://mitgcm.org/viewvc/*checkout*/MITgcm/MITgcm_contrib/ecco_utils/input_ecco_processing/README_nsidc.txt
- These binary files can be read in Matlab using read_bin.m (http://mitgcm.org/viewvc/MITgcm/MITgcm_contrib/gael/matlab_class/gcmfaces_IO/) as part of the gcmfaces toolbox (see gcmfaces.pdf link provided below). They are also directly readable by the MITgcm when using the LLC90 setup to re-run the ECCO v4 ocean state estimate (see eccov4.pdf link provided below).
- 'ECCO Version 4 Release 2' is a global ocean state estimate that covers the period from 1992 to 2011 (Forget et al. 2015, 2016). It was produced on behalf of the ECCO consortium (http://ecco-group.org/) with major support provided NASA's Physical Oceanography Program. General documentation of the 'ECCO Version 4 Release 2' dataverse and all included datasets can be found at https://dx.doi.org/10.7910/DVN/ODM2IQ (see README.pdf in that dataset).
- The formatting, online publishing, and archiving of the ECCO V4 R2 dataverse and datasets have benefited from guidance that was graciously provided by the MIT Libraries Data Management Services (http://libraries.mit.edu/data-management/). At time of writing the contents listed above can alternatively be downloaded from ftp://mit.ecco-group.org/ecco_for_las/version_4/release2/.

- References:
- Forget, G., J.-M. Campin, P. Heimbach, C. N. Hill, R. M. Ponte, and C. Wunsch, 2015: ECCO version 4: an integrated framework for non-linear inverse modeling and global ocean state estimation. Geoscientific Model Development, 8, 3071-3104, http://dx.doi.org/10.5194/gmd-8-3071-2015
- Forget, G., J.-M. Campin, P. Heimbach, C. N. Hill, R. M. Ponte, and C. Wunsch, 2016: ECCO Version 4: Second Release, http://hdl.handle.net/1721.1/102062

- Software:
- The ECCO V4 R2 files were produced using the `checkpoint64u' versions of the general circulation model (MITgcm and ECCO v4 settings) and Matlab analysis toolboxes (gcmfaces and MITprof). These software versions are available at http://mitgcm.org/download/other_checkpoints/ and http://mit.ecco-group.org/opendap/ecco_for_las/version_4/checkpoints/contents.html
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- README file revision history:
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