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SURFACE WATER TEMPERATURE CHANGES  
IN THE HIGH LATITUDES OF THE SOUTHERN  
HEMISPHERE OVER THE LAST GLACIAL-  
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**Abstract.** A set of numerical equations is developed to estimate past sea surface temperatures (SST) from fossil Antarctic diatoms. These equations take into account both the biogeographic distribution and experimentally derived silica dissolution. The data represent a revision and expansion of a floral data base used previously and includes samples resulting from progressive opal dissolution experiments. Factor analysis of 166 samples (124 Holocene core top and 42 artificial samples) resolved four factors. Three of these factors depend on the water mass distribution (one Subantarctic and two Antarctic assemblages); factor 4 corresponds to a "dissolution assemblage". Inclusion of this factor in the data analysis minimizes the effect of opal dissolution on the assemblages and

gives accurate estimates of SST over a wide range of biosiliceous dissolution. A transfer function (DTF 166/34/4) is derived from the distribution of these factors versus summer SST. Its standard error is  $\pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$  in the  $-1$  to  $+10^{\circ}\text{C}$  summer temperature range. This transfer function is used to estimate SST changes in two southern ocean cores ( $43^{\circ}\text{S}$  and  $55^{\circ}\text{S}$ ) which cover the last climatic cycle. The time scale is derived from the changes in foraminiferal oxygen and carbon isotopic ratios. The reconstructed SST records present strong analogies with the air temperature record over Antarctica at the Vostok site, derived from changes in the isotopic ratio of the ice. This similarity may be used to compare the oceanic isotope stratigraphy and the Vostok time scale derived from ice flow model. The oceanic time scale, if taken at face value, would indicate that large changes in ice accumulation rates occurred between warm and cold periods.

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## INTRODUCTION

Paleoclimatological studies in the southern hemisphere high latitudes are important for understanding some of the major phenomena controlling climatic changes over the last  $10^3$  to  $10^5$  years. The interactions between surface ocean, ice, and atmosphere should be easier to model in the southern than in the northern hemisphere, because of the near axial geometry of the Antarctic continent and the surrounding southern ocean, permanent ice cover over Antarctica and the relative stability of the Antarctic Polar Front (APF) during glacial-interglacial transitions [Hays et al., 1976a]. The Vostok ice core, which covers the last climatic cycle

[Lorius et al., 1985], provides a high-resolution deuterium and oxygen isotopic record interpretable in terms of temperature changes over Antarctica [Jouzel et al., 1987]. The atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> content during that period has been measured in the air trapped during ice formation [Barnola et al., 1987]. Age models for the Vostok core and its included gas, derived from estimated ice accumulation and flow rates [Lorius et al., 1985] differ significantly from the time scale developed for the ocean sediments, with a longer apparent duration for the last interglacial. This is a major problem for the study of climatic feedbacks between changes in insolation, ocean circulation, and pCO<sub>2</sub> in the atmosphere [Lorius et al., 1990; Sowers et al., 1991]. Petit et al. [1990] proposed to use the close similarity that exists between the changes in atmospheric dust content of the Vostok core and available dust records covering the last 150 ka [Kukla, 1987; Robinson, 1986; Kent, 1982] to construct a common chronostratigraphy between the ice and ocean sediment records. However, there are no indications that the different dust records are synchronous. Another approach may be to use the close climatological connections between the Antarctic ice sheet and the surrounding southern ocean. The sea surface temperature (SST) changes at high latitudes influence the temperature over Antarctica by transfer of heat and atmospheric water. Lorius et al. [1990] have shown the good covariance existing between the reconstructed changes in air temperature at Vostok and the SST record derived from a radiolarian transfer function in sediment core RC11-120 [Hays et al., 1976b, Martinson et al., 1987]. Limitations in the interpretation of this relationship derive from the location of this sediment core north of the Antarctic Polar Front and thus still under the strong influence of the subtropical/transitional waters. Time lags have been observed between southern ocean temperature records and the global climatic signal [Hays, 1978; Morley and Robinson, 1980; CLIMAP Project Members, 1984; Labracherie et al., 1989], as well as between isotopic records of planktonic and benthic foraminifera [Labeyrie et al. 1986].

We present here a reconstruction of SST changes over the last 140 kyr in two cores from the subpolar (MD 84 527) and polar (MD 84 551) waters in the southern ocean using a transfer function based upon floral assemblages derived from that developed by Pichon et al. [1987], with an increased core top reference data base and a correction of the effect of dissolution as described in Pichon et al [1992]. The time frame is derived from the changes in foraminiferal isotopic ratio, and the results are compared with the changes in air temperature over the ice estimated at Vostok [Lorius et al 1985].

## DIATOM TRANSFER FUNCTION

### Materials and Methods

Pichon et al. [1987] have shown that the geographic distribution of Antarctic flora (diatoms and silicoflagellates) in modern core top samples from the southern ocean coincides with present-day sea surface parameters (summer SST, phosphate concentration, and annual sea ice cover). The quantitative method used here to derive the transfer function follows Imbrie and Kipp [1971]. The aim of the present study is to increase the range of applicability of the diatom transfer function (DTF) and its accuracy, particularly in view of the bias possibly introduced by differential dissolution of the fossil diatom assemblages. The geographic sample coverage was increased from 28 to 124 core top samples, thus permitting construction of more detailed descriptions of regional biogeography patterns and temperature gradients (from +14°C to -1.9°C). The 124 samples from the southern ocean consist of 77 samples from box cores, 40 samples from high-sedimentation-rate piston cores, and seven samples from trigger-weight cores collected between 67°W and 140° E and 37°S and 78°S (Table 1 and Figure 1). In all cores, the sediment-water interface was retrieved with no apparent disturbance and, based on micropaleontological, sedimentological and statistical arguments [Pichon et al., 1987], represents

TABLE 1. Positions and Water Depths of Surface Samples Used in This Study

Core	Latitude (S)	Longitude	Depth, m	Core	Latitude (S)	Longitude	Depth, m
MD24-KK02	54°13,0'	03°31,0' E	1522	KR88-30	61°00,2'	93°11,9' E	4300
MD24-KK32	54°30,0'	03°48,4' E	2020	KR88-31	59°00,0'	89°24,3' E	4595
MD24-KK35	53°06,3'	19°24,7' E	2725	V14-53	56°43,0'	24°31,0' W	7906
MD24-KK37	52°58,4'	23°46,3' E	2905	V14-58	57°37,0'	13°36,0' W	3546
MD24-KK63	51°56,0'	42°53,0' E	2550	V16-60	49°59,6'	36°45,5' E	4575
MD73-026	44°59,0'	53°17,0' E	3429	V16-65	45°00,0'	45°46,0' E	1618
MD82-424	54°05,8'	00°20,7' W	2350	RC8-46	55°20,0'	65°28,0' E	2761
MD82-425	55°34,7'	00°43,0' W	1940	RC11-71	49°08,0'	37°25,0' W	5537
MD82-430	57°52,3'	10°40,3' W	3863	RC11-77	53°03,0'	16°27,0' W	4098
MD82-434	58°51,8'	16°39,0' W	3640	RC11-78	50°52,0'	09°52,0' W	3115

TABLE 1. (continued)

Core	Latitude (S)	Longitude	Depth, m	Core	Latitude (S)	Longitude	Depth, m
MD82-436	61°13,6'	19°28,8' W	3620	RC11-80	46°45,0'	00°03,0' W	3656
MD84-529	48°54,3'	61°59,8' E	2600	RC11-90	56°38,0'	25°43,0' E	5334
MD84-530	66°06,6'	73°59,1' E	2412	RC11-118	37°48,0'	71°32,0' E	4354
MD84-531	66°57,7'	75°24,6' E	365	RC11-119	40°18,0'	74°34,0' E	3709
MD84-532	66°06,9'	76°45,6' E	2700	RC12-292	39°40,6'	15°28,5' W	3541
MD84-533	65°09,1'	78°21,2' E	3363	RC13-255	50°34,0'	02°53,7' E	3332
MD84-540	60°44,5'	86°23,3' E	3964	RC13-257	55°02,2'	03°00,1' W	2837
MD84-552	54°55,4'	73°50,0' E	1780	RC13-263	53°48,3'	08°13,0' W	3389
MD84-557	53°19,6'	75°48,0' E	1080	RC13-268	57°02,3'	00°05,6' W	4005
MD84-561	53°05,3'	71°36,4' E	1754	RC13-269	52°37,6'	00°07,5' E	2591
MD84-562	51°55,1'	68°13,6' E	3553	RC13-270	55°28,8'	04°38,2' E	3160
MD84-563	50°42,7'	68°09,1' E	1720	RC13-272	55°05,1'	08°00,0' E	2538
MD84-569	47°38,6'	73°23,1' E	2385	RC13-273	55°04,5'	11°34,5' E	4967
KR87-01	52°32,2'	31°11,0' W	3510	RC13-274	53°09,0'	12°25,6' E	3372
KR87-02	56°27,6'	33°58,5' W	3350	RC15-91	49°55,3'	15°34,1' W	3775
KR87-03	60°13,3'	48°56,9' W	1300	RC17-56	65°24,0'	37°43,0' E	4794
KR87-05	64°03,3'	67°17,2' W	2810	IO1176-55	53°22,9'	06°39,6' E	2926
KR87-06	63°03,6'	63°03,7' W	630	IO1176-65	57°12,5'	08°12,4' E	5483
KR87-07	62°21,2'	57°58,3' W	2810	IO1176-82	49°31,2'	13°11,5' E	4100
KR87-08	60°55,2'	56°26,3' W	2150	IO1176-86	48°02,3'	13°49,0' E	4338
KR87-10	59°39,6'	51°16,6' W	2820	IO1176-88	46°57,8'	14°18,2' E	5106
KR87-12	54°55,8'	39°47,6' W	2790	IO1176-91	44°56,7'	15°02,9' E	4649
KR87-13	52°42,8'	36°59,3' W	2020	IO1277-2	45°02,1'	22°28,2' E	4806
KR87-14	51°27,7'	34°00,5' W	2600	IO1277-8	50°32,5'	20°53,0' E	4492
KR88-01	46°40,6'	79°29,2' E	2925	IO1277-12	54°00,6'	19°47,5' E	3178
KR88-02	45°45,2'	82°56,0' E	3480	IO1277-28	61°28,0'	09°11,0' E	5322
KR88-03	46°04,1'	90°06,7' E	3400	IO1277-41	69°59,9'	05°04,6' W	1873
KR88-04	49°55,3'	100°05,0' E	3350	IO1578-49	61°05,6'	19°51,9' W	4718
KR88-05	52°56,7'	109°55,1' E	3510	IO1678-64	54°00,5'	24°11,7' W	4515
KR88-06	49°01,3'	128°46,3' E	3850	IO1678-80	47°57,0'	13°01,4' W	3102
KR88-07	47°08,9'	145°47,8' E	2890	IO1678-84	51°57,5'	14°25,2' W	3952
KR88-08	49°15,7'	148°48,2' E	3885	IO1678-89	57°03,6'	18°32,4' W	4285
KR88-09	50°35,6'	147°09,3' E	4350	IO1678-96	60°27,9'	21°37,1' W	4177
KR88-10	54°11,2'	144°47,9' E	2785	P1010	77°20,0'	35°00,0' W	476
KR88-11	54°55,0'	144°04,0' E	2880	P1141	61°30,0'	63°30,0' W	1417
KR88-12	56°23,8'	145°17,2' E	3020	P1147	61°40,0'	54°45,0' W	2300
KR88-13	57°56,9'	144°35,0' E	3740	P1160	61°00,0'	46°00,0' W	320
KR88-14	61°16,8	144°26,5' E	4200	P1178	61°25,0'	47°00,0' W	500
KR88-15	63°18,3'	141°55,5' E	3880	P1184	62°10,0'	57°15,0' W	1882
KR88-16	64°46,2'	141°13,4' E	3320	P1192	77°25,0'	39°00,0' W	842
KR88-17	66°12,1'	140°30,2' E	180	P1212	75°30,0'	57°00,0' W	431
KR88-18	65°45,0'	138°12,0' E	615	P1223	76°00,0	33°30,0' W	772
KR88-19	64°34,3'	135°37,5' E	2930	PC82-35	62°21,7'	57°22,0' W	1484
KR88-20	64°56,1'	129°00,3' E	1670	PC82-71	62°38,4'	59°32,0' W	1350
KR88-21	64°49,3'	126°43,5' E	2250	PC82-136	64°35,4'	62°45,5' W	452
KR88-22	64°40,1'	119°30,2' E	3140	PC82-140	64°49,6'	62°37,8' W	392
KR88-23	63°18,0	117°15,8' E	3292	PC82-197	63°43,0'	57°13,6' W	750
KR88-24	63°44,8'	116°44,9' E	2600	DF83 III-11C	78°15,0'	172°17,0' W	430
KR88-25	64°17,9'	115°42,1' E	2232	DF83 III-12	78°16,0'	170°08,0' W	541
KR88-27	63°39,1'	101°08,9' E	1240	DF83 III-19	77°18,0'	158°43,0' W	677
KR88-28	64°09,5'	98°09,5' E	1200	DF83 III-41	76°40,0'	164°01,0' W	516
KR88-29	62°29,5'	95°53,1' E	3790	DF83 III-42	76°38,0'	166°03,0' W	420

MD: kullenberg from Marion-Dufresne; KR: box core from Marion-Dufresne; V: Vema;  
 RC: Robert Conrad; IO: piston core from Islas Orcadas (cruises 11,12,15, and 16); P: box core  
 from Polarstern; PC and DF: box core from U.S. Coast Guard Glacier.

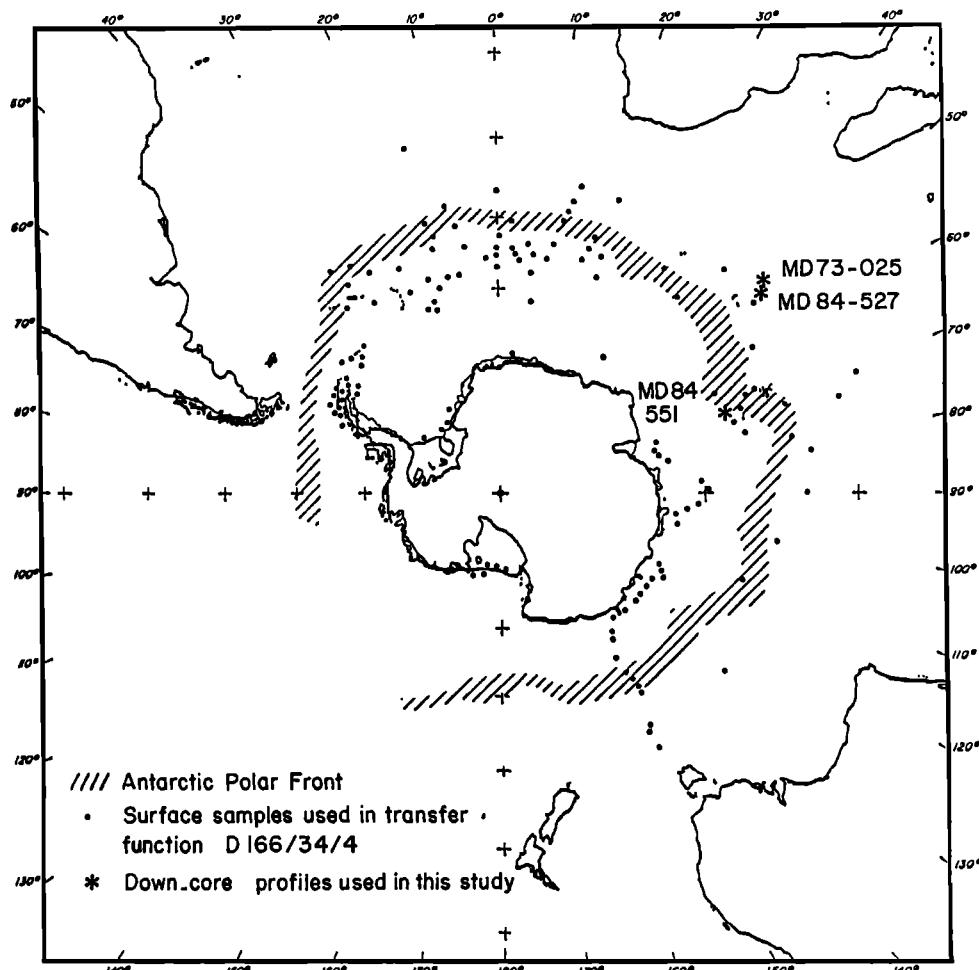


Fig. 1. Geographic distribution of 124 surface sediment samples and three core profiles used in this study. Location of the Antarctic Polar Front is taken from the reference data map of Gordon and Molinelli [1982].

non-reworked Holocene sediments. Forty-two samples with assemblages altered by step wise opal dissolution of five Holocene core tops [Pichon et al., 1992] were added to the natural floral data for the Q-mode factor analysis. Before the calculations, the floral counts were ranked in four abundance classes defined for each of the 34 species (Table 2, following Pichon et al., [1987]). This method increases considerably the sensitivity of the DTF for changes in SST. However, the separation between abundance class 1 (absent) and class 2 (present at low levels) has a heavy statistical weight for certain low abundance species. This may introduce an error exceeding the average standard error of the estimates. [Pichon et al., 1987].

The data, once ranked, were treated by the programs CABFAC, REGRESS and THREAD kindly provided by N. Kipp and adapted to the IBM 9121 of the Bordeaux I University Computer Center. Modern sea surface temperature estimates for

summer, autumn, winter, and spring are 3-month averages (January-February-March,...) determined by interpolating values from reference data maps [Gordon and Molinelli, 1982].

#### Results of Factor Analysis

A Q-mode factor analysis of the 166 samples (124 core tops + 42 partly dissolved samples) resolves four varimax factors (which accounts for 34%, 30.2%, 12.6%, and 6.6% of the total variance, respectively). Addition of a fifth factor accounts for <2.4% of the variance and is unrelated to any discernible biogeographic, physical, or chemical influence. The varimax factor matrix gives the composition of each sample in terms of the four varimax factors (Table 3). We have plotted in Figures 2 to 5 the distribution of the loadings for each successive factor over our sample set; floral

TABLE 2. Conversion of Relative Percentage Into Abundance Rank for Each Species

Species	Rank Value		
	0	1	2
<i>Actinocyclus actinochilus</i>	0	1	2 - 6% 6.5 - 13%
<i>Asteromphalus parvulus</i>	0	1	2
<i>Azpeitia tabularis</i>	0	1	2
<i>Chaetoceros sp.</i>	0	1	2
<i>Coccconeis sp.</i>	0	1	2 - 4
<i>Coscinodiscus furcatus</i>	0	1	2 - 4
<i>Dictyocha genus*</i>	0	1	2 - 4
<i>Distephanus genus*</i>	0	1	2
<i>Eucampia antarctica</i>	0	1	2 - 24
<i>Hemidiscus cuneiformis</i>	0	1	2 - 6
<i>Nitzschia curta</i>	0	1	2 - 31
<i>Nitzschia angulata</i>	0	1	2 - 5
<i>Nitzschia cylindrus</i>	0	1	2 - 7
<i>Nitzschia kerguelensis</i>	0	1	2 - 40
<i>Nitzschia ritscherii</i>	0	1	2
<i>Nitzschia separanda</i>	0	1	2 - 3
<i>Nitzschia sublineata</i>	0	1	2 - 15
<i>Odontella weissflogii</i>	0	1	2 - 8
<i>Porosira glacialis</i>	0	1	2 - 3
<i>Pseudoeunotia doliolus</i>	0	1	2 - 19
<i>Rhysosolenia styliformis</i>	0	1	2
<i>Roperia tesselata</i>	0	1	2 - 5
<i>Thalassionema nitzschioides</i>	0	1	2 - 4
<i>Thalassiosira antarctica</i>	0	1	2 - 30
<i>Thalassiosira decipiens</i>	0	1	
<i>Thalassiosira delicatulata</i>	0	1	
<i>Thalassiosira excentrica</i>	0	1	
<i>Thalassiosira gracilis</i>	0	1	2 - 6
<i>Thalassiosira lentiginosa</i>	0	1	2 - 20
<i>Thalassiosira lineata</i>	0	1	2
<i>Thalassiosira oestrupii</i>	0	1	2 - 8
<i>Thalassiosira oliverana</i>	0	1	2
<i>Thalassiosira tumida</i>	0	1	2
<i>Thalassiothrix sp.</i>	0	1	2

\* silicoflagellate

contours have been interpolated between sample values. Each figure includes

1. A histogram illustrating the species composition of the factor as listed in the varimax factor score matrix (Table 4). The X axis of the histograms follows the order of the species indexation constructed on factor 3, to illustrate the temperature dependence from warmer (left) to cooler (right) species. This indexation is reported in the following discussion simultaneously with the species names.

2. A graph illustrating the distribution of the factor as a function of summer SST.

Factor 1 (Figure 2), which accounts for 34% of

the total variance, is dominated by three endemic species, *Thalassiothrix sp.* /33, *Nitzchia kerguelensis* /10 and the silicoflagellate *Distephanus speculum* /16, where the bold-faced digits represent the index number of each species (Table 4). High abundance and good preservation characterize this assemblage. It defines a diatom-ooze surface-sediment belt centered on ~55°S, and will be referred as the "open-ocean Antarctic" assemblage. The 0.6 factor loading boundary falls between the 4° and 6°C summer isotherms to the north, a few degrees north of the Antarctic Polar Front (APF). The southern limit coincides with the +1°C summer isotherm.

Factor 2 (Figure 3) accounts for 30.2% of the total variance. It is composed of *Thalassiosira antarctica* (resting spores)/11, four epontic species (i.e., including attached and non-attached species especially adapted to the ice habitat: *Nitzschia curta* /31, *Actinocyclus actinochilus* /28, *Nitzschia sublineata* /34, *Nitzschia cylindrus* /22), and *Eucampia antarctica* (winter stage)/18. This assemblage is referred to the "Ice-Zone Antarctic" assemblage, and extends along the Ross (Ross Sea), Filchner and Ronne (Weddell Sea) ice shelves, around the Antarctic Peninsula and near the Antarctic coast. It represents cold (<1°C) and low-salinity waters.

Factor 3 (Figure 4) accounts for 12.6% of the total variance. The Subantarctic species *Thalassionema nitzschioides* /1, *Roperia tesselata* /3, *Hemidiscus cuneiformis* /5, and the silicoflagellate *Dictyocha sp.* /3 dominate this assemblage. Numerous others Subantarctic species are also present as minor constituents. It covers the entire northern portion of the area studied and is referred to as the "Subantarctic" assemblage. The southern 0.6 factor-loading limit lies a few degrees north of the actual position of the APF. This factor shows the highest correlation ( $r = 0.92$ ) to summer SST, suggesting that it is the most purely temperature-dependent of the factors.

Factor 4 (Figure 5), which contributes 6.6% of the total variance is dominated by *T. lentiginosa* /6, *N. kerguelensis* /10 and *E. antarctica* (resting spores)/18. The geographic distribution of samples with loadings <-0.3 is patchy with no definite pattern. The highest negative loadings of this assemblage appear in high-dissolution samples (Table 3). Shemesh et al. [1989] and Pichon et al. [1992] indicate that these three species are highly resistant to dissolution. There is no significant correlation of factor 4 with SST ( $R = 0.25$ ), which confirms that the five Holocene core tops that were used to build the partially dissolved reference samples were effectively well representative of the SST's distribution. Factor 4 is well correlated ( $R = 0.90$ ) in the artificially-dissolved samples with the amount of dissolved silica [Bareille et al., 1991; Pichon et al., 1991]. This assemblage can thus be referred to as a "Sediment dissolution" assemblage.

TABLE 3. Varimax Factor Matrix

Core	SST	Com.	F. 1	F. 2	F. 3	F. 4	Core	SST	Com.	F. 1	F. 2	F. 3	F. 4
MD24-KK02	1,5	0,8	0,72	0,48	0,16	-0,14	RC13-272	0,8	0,89	0,74	0,54	0,08	-0,22
MD24-KK32	1,2	0,86	0,81	0,33	0,27	-0,16	RC13-273	1,0	0,8	0,75	0,45	0,13	-0,16
MD24-KK35	1,8	0,87	0,80	0,35	0,25	-0,22	RC13-274	1,8	0,87	0,75	0,49	0,13	-0,22
MD24-KK37	2,0	0,83	0,84	0,32	0,13	-0,11	RC15-91	4,8	0,84	0,68	0,18	0,51	-0,29
MD24-KK63	3,2	0,86	0,84	0,19	0,33	-0,01	RC17-56	1,0	0,76	0,49	0,61	0,11	-0,38
MD73-026	8,0	0,83	0,64	0,13	0,63	-0,10	1176-55	1,0	0,81	0,74	0,46	0,19	-0,15
MD82-424	1,0	0,88	0,85	0,37	0,11	-0,05	1176-65	1,5	0,85	0,79	0,46	0,06	-0,10
MD82-425	0,8	0,85	0,79	0,37	0,20	-0,21	1176-82	4,5	0,88	0,86	0,16	0,30	-0,15
MD82-430	0,5	0,91	0,72	0,48	0,24	-0,32	1176-86	6,0	0,84	0,77	0,16	0,47	-0,04
MD82-434	0,5	0,92	0,78	0,53	0,07	-0,16	1176-88	6,0	0,82	0,55	0,24	0,64	-0,23
MD82-436	0,0	0,77	0,60	0,56	0,17	-0,25	1176-91	8,0	0,81	0,45	0,13	0,77	-0,01
MD84-529	5,5	0,91	0,82	0,15	0,45	-0,05	1277-2	8,5	0,81	0,47	0,13	0,74	-0,09
MD84-530	0,0	0,85	0,53	0,66	0,17	-0,33	1277-8	1,8	0,76	0,65	0,36	0,26	-0,37
MD84-531	-0,5	0,84	0,23	0,87	0,06	-0,17	1277-12	1,5	0,72	0,68	0,39	0,24	-0,21
MD84-532	0,2	0,89	0,46	0,71	0,10	-0,41	1277-28	0,5	0,85	0,71	0,54	0,03	-0,23
MD84-533	1,0	0,91	0,53	0,62	0,19	-0,46	1277-41	-1,0	0,87	0,34	0,74	0,12	-0,44
MD84-540	1,2	0,85	0,72	0,50	0,18	-0,21	1578-49	0,0	0,9	0,59	0,59	0,18	-0,42
MD84-552	2,5	0,84	0,85	0,22	0,27	-0,02	1678-64	2,0	0,85	0,65	0,39	0,41	-0,33
MD84-557	2,3	0,89	0,86	0,24	0,28	-0,09	1678-80	6,0	0,81	0,68	0,22	0,51	-0,21
MD84-561	3,5	0,79	0,73	0,34	0,38	0,06	1678-84	3,5	0,82	0,69	0,36	0,38	-0,26
MD84-562	4,5	0,89	0,80	0,21	0,42	-0,13	1678-89	1,0	0,81	0,68	0,54	0,10	-0,20
MD84-563	5,0	0,85	0,79	0,21	0,43	-0,02	1678-96	0,0	0,85	0,78	0,47	0,15	-0,09
MD84-569	5,0	0,68	0,54	0,38	0,50	0,00	1010	-1,8	0,68	-0,06	0,80	-0,03	-0,19
KR87-01	1,5	0,77	0,65	0,53	0,24	-0,11	1141	0,0	0,84	-0,10	0,90	0,11	0,03
KR87-02	2,0	0,92	0,68	0,63	0,26	-0,02	1147	0,0	0,85	0,06	0,91	0,13	-0,05
KR87-03	1,0	0,92	0,38	0,87	0,15	0,00	1160	0,0	0,84	0,18	0,89	0,13	0,03
KR87-05	1,0	0,93	0,47	0,74	0,22	-0,34	1178	0,0	0,82	0,24	0,86	0,15	0,02
KR87-06	1,8	0,86	0,49	0,77	0,18	0,06	1184	0,0	0,83	0,11	0,89	0,11	0,08
KR87-07	0,5	0,89	0,19	0,91	0,18	0,01	1192	-1,8	0,59	0,01	0,69	-0,06	-0,34
KR87-08	1,0	0,82	0,47	0,64	0,16	-0,40	1212	-1,8	0,66	0,02	0,71	-0,07	-0,39
KR87-10	1,8	0,85	0,52	0,71	0,25	-0,09	1223	-1,8	0,6	0,18	0,73	-0,04	-0,19
KR87-12	3,0	0,9	0,59	0,59	0,37	-0,28	PC82-35	0,0	0,88	0,33	0,86	0,14	0,10
KR87-13	3,0	0,62	0,53	0,51	0,25	-0,11	PC82-71	0,0	0,86	0,33	0,83	0,17	0,17
KR87-14	4,5	0,65	0,62	0,45	0,26	0,01	PC82-136	0,0	0,86	0,18	0,89	0,16	-0,06
KR88-01	8,5	0,83	0,53	0,32	0,65	-0,15	PC82-140	0,0	0,82	0,14	0,88	0,16	-0,05
KR88-02	9,2	0,82	0,57	0,29	0,58	-0,27	PC82-197	0,0	0,8	0,01	0,87	0,16	-0,11
KR88-03	9,0	0,87	0,55	0,23	0,70	-0,15	DF83III11C	-1,9	0,69	0,18	0,81	-0,04	-0,05
KR88-04	6,0	0,85	0,70	0,15	0,56	-0,18	DF83III12	-1,9	0,74	0,22	0,79	0,08	-0,25
KR88-05	3,5	0,88	0,78	0,35	0,35	-0,14	DF83III19	-1,9	0,73	0,09	0,84	0,02	-0,12
KR88-06	9,8	0,85	0,23	0,10	0,87	-0,17	DF83III-41	-1,9	0,73	0,25	0,79	-0,06	-0,22
KR88-07	11,0	0,82	0,20	0,02	0,86	-0,21	DF83III-42	-1,9	0,77	0,24	0,84	-0,08	-0,07
KR88-08	10,0	0,87	0,45	0,11	0,79	-0,20	D8702-5'	2,0	0,94	0,69	0,61	0,29	-0,04
KR88-09	9,0	0,84	0,50	0,16	0,72	-0,21	D8702-10'	2,0	0,91	0,68	0,61	0,28	0,03
KR88-10	5,5	0,89	0,84	0,16	0,41	-0,06	D8702-20'	2,0	0,89	0,63	0,60	0,25	0,26
KR88-11	5,0	0,92	0,89	0,14	0,32	-0,10	D8702-35'	2,0	0,86	0,65	0,61	0,26	0,03
KR88-12	4,5	0,83	0,80	0,18	0,37	-0,15	D8702-60'	2,0	0,89	0,64	0,61	0,33	0,03
KR88-13	3,9	0,85	0,84	0,18	0,31	-0,14	D8702-120'	2,0	0,86	0,64	0,64	0,20	-0,07
KR88-14	1,8	0,89	0,84	0,30	0,24	-0,18	D8702-180'	2,0	0,88	0,65	0,59	0,31	-0,12
KR88-15	1,0	0,86	0,71	0,44	0,14	-0,37	D8702-240'	2,0	0,62	0,60	0,41	0,31	0,05
KR88-16	0,0	0,87	0,54	0,52	0,21	-0,51	D8702-24H	2,0	0,77	0,35	0,41	0,34	-0,60
KR88-17	-1,0	0,86	0,25	0,87	0,10	-0,18	D8707-5'	0,5	0,94	0,23	0,92	0,20	0,02

TABLE 3. (continued)

Core	SST	Com.	F. 1	F. 2	F. 3	F. 4	Core	SST	Com.	F. 1	F. 2	F. 3	F. 4				
KR88-18	-0,5	0,83	0,48	0,77	0,03	-0,07	D8707-10'	0,5	0,92	0,23	0,91	0,19	0,04				
KR88-19	0,5	0,83	0,47	0,66	0,19	-0,36	D8707-20'	0,5	0,93	0,25	0,92	0,18	0,02				
KR88-20	0,0	0,84	0,48	0,69	0,18	-0,30	D8707-35'	0,5	0,9	0,24	0,90	0,19	-0,02				
KR88-21	1,0	0,92	0,47	0,78	0,11	-0,29	D8707-60'	0,5	0,91	0,22	0,91	0,18	-0,04				
KR88-22	0,5	0,87	0,55	0,68	0,13	-0,29	D8707-120'	0,5	0,9	0,15	0,88	0,21	-0,24				
KR88-23	0,5	0,85	0,50	0,54	0,31	-0,46	D8707-180'	0,5	0,76	0,19	0,80	0,21	-0,20				
KR88-24	0,5	0,88	0,47	0,71	0,24	-0,32	D8707-240'	0,5	0,68	0,19	0,70	0,23	-0,32				
KR88-25	0,0	0,88	0,49	0,70	0,14	-0,36	D8808-5'	10,0	0,87	0,45	0,11	0,79	-0,20				
KR88-27	1,0	0,88	0,54	0,61	0,25	-0,40	D8808-10'	10,0	0,8	0,55	0,15	0,67	-0,20				
KR88-28	0,0	0,83	0,34	0,65	0,14	-0,53	D8808-20'	10,0	0,84	0,60	0,13	0,66	-0,17				
KR88-29	1,0	0,93	0,62	0,59	0,28	-0,35	D8808-35'	10,0	0,83	0,66	0,13	0,50	-0,36				
KR88-30	1,4	0,93	0,84	0,35	0,27	-0,19	D8808-60'	10,0	0,81	0,58	0,14	0,44	-0,51				
KR88-31	1,5	0,86	0,68	0,26	0,32	-0,48	D8808-120'	10,0	0,91	0,54	0,10	0,50	-0,60				
V14-53	0,5	0,91	0,75	0,49	0,18	-0,26	D8808-180'	10,0	0,91	0,55	0,10	0,48	-0,61				
V14-58	0,8	0,82	0,72	0,46	0,11	-0,28	D8808-240'	10,0	0,86	0,50	0,14	0,48	-0,59				
V16-60	5,0	0,86	0,76	0,27	0,41	-0,21	D8808-24H	10,0	0,76	0,51	0,06	0,42	-0,57				
V16-65	8,0	0,8	0,59	0,13	0,64	-0,19	D8808-48H	10,0	0,65	0,41	0,13	0,28	-0,62				
RC8-46	3,0	0,84	0,74	0,36	0,28	-0,29	D8810-5-20'	5,5	0,89	0,84	0,16	0,41	-0,06				
RC11-71	5,2	0,8	0,56	0,25	0,63	-0,15	D8810-35-60'	5,5	0,86	0,82	0,13	0,40	-0,12				
RC11-77	2,4	0,79	0,81	0,26	0,23	-0,09	D8810-120'	5,5	0,88	0,76	0,15	0,46	-0,27				
RC11-78	3,8	0,83	0,73	0,23	0,43	-0,24	D8810-180'	5,5	0,9	0,76	0,12	0,46	-0,32				
RC11-80	6,2	0,8	0,59	0,22	0,60	-0,19	D8810-240'	5,5	0,91	0,70	0,12	0,49	-0,41				
RC11-90	2,0	0,84	0,74	0,33	0,22	-0,35	D8810-24H	5,5	0,71	0,63	0,18	0,35	-0,40				
RC11-118	17,0	0,82	0,17	-0,05	0,88	0,09	D8818-5'	-0,5	0,83	0,48	0,77	0,03	-0,07				
RC11-119	14,2	0,78	0,26	0,01	0,84	-0,04	D8818-10'	-0,5	0,91	0,42	0,85	0,05	-0,09				
RC12-292	13,8	0,77	0,16	-0,02	0,82	-0,04	D8818-20'	-0,5	0,85	0,47	0,79	0,08	-0,05				
RC13-255	4,2	0,81	0,70	0,22	0,51	-0,13	D8818-35'	-0,5	0,82	0,45	0,78	0,08	-0,09				
RC13-257	0,8	0,88	0,78	0,32	0,27	-0,32	D8818-120'	-0,5	0,87	0,41	0,82	0,11	-0,12				
RC13-263	1,0	0,85	0,82	0,41	0,08	-0,07	D8818-180'	-0,5	0,82	0,38	0,80	0,13	-0,13				
RC13-268	0,5	0,91	0,66	0,60	0,14	-0,32	D8818-240'	-0,5	0,87	0,43	0,74	0,16	-0,33				
RC13-269	2,0	0,79	0,82	0,30	0,10	-0,14	D8818-24H	-0,5	0,75	0,29	0,60	0,23	-0,50				
RC13-270	0,8	0,87	0,70	0,46	0,25	-0,34	D8818-48H	-0,5	0,86	0,31	0,57	0,19	-0,64				
													Variance	33,96	30,25	12,57	6,56
													Cumulative variance	33,96	64,21	76,78	83,34

SST: summer sea surface temperature; Com.: communality; D: Dissolved samples.

### Discussion

Figure 6 displays the general distribution of the three biogeographic factors. Despite the critical role played by dissolution in the water column, this distribution follows the general circumpolar symmetry of the plankton diatom biocoenosis [Baker, 1948]. It is important to recognize that modern diatom floras are affected by a number of interrelated factors including light, temperature, nutrients, and water column structure and stability [Leventer and Pichon, 1991]. The Subantarctic water appears to be a region of mixing between the Antarctic and the temperate/subtropical diatom floras

[Hendey, 1937; Hart, 1942; Boden, 1949; Fukase, 1962; Hargraves, 1968; Hasle, 1969; Donahue, 1970; and Fenner et al., 1976]. The open ocean zone contains a more heterogeneous group [Hargraves, 1968]. The characteristic species are occasionally found north of the APF or in the pack-ice but are probably not successful there. Donahue [1970] found in the phytoplankton the species *Nitzchia kerguelensis* /10 to be one of the most eurythermal Antarctic diatoms (-1° to 13°C summer SST).

In the ice zone, *Thalassiosira* and *Nitzchia* genera are not only adapted to cold waters but also directly associated with the ice [Kozlova, 1966; Fryxell and Kendrick, 1988; El Sayed, 1971; Quilty,

TABLE 4. Varimax Factor Score Matrix

Species	Index	Factor			
		1	2	3	4
<i>A. actinochilus</i>	28	-0.086	0.379	-0.051	-0.134
<i>A. parvulus</i>	26	0.176	0.022	-0.044	0.075
<i>A. tabularis</i>	2	0.226	-0.139	0.411	-0.055
<i>Chaetoceros sp.</i>	27	0.077	-0.001	-0.045	0.039
<i>Coccconeis sp.</i>	14	0.080	0.203	0.100	0.158
<i>C. furcatus</i>	20	0.011	0.073	0.050	0.081
<i>Dictyocha*</i>	4	-0.102	0.009	0.344	0.073
<i>Distephanus*</i>	16	0.269	0.063	0.083	0.230
<i>E. antarctica</i>	18	0.119	0.242	0.059	-0.247
<i>H. cuneiformis</i>	5	-0.102	0.005	0.285	0.036
<i>N. curta</i>	31	-0.075	0.381	-0.082	-0.055
<i>N. angulata</i>	30	0.044	0.215	-0.067	0.076
<i>N. cylindrus</i>	22	-0.105	0.242	0.022	0.032
<i>N. kerguelensis</i>	10	0.427	0.075	0.132	-0.335
<i>N. ritscherii</i>	8	0.023	-0.019	0.169	0.070
<i>N. separanda</i>	32	0.227	0.045	-0.086	0.055
<i>N. sublineata</i>	34	0.040	0.334	-0.163	-0.206
<i>O. weissflogii</i>	13	-0.036	0.182	0.105	0.176
<i>P. glacialis</i>	17	-0.087	0.231	0.082	0.124
<i>P. doliolus</i>	9	-0.054	0.006	0.134	0.027
<i>R. styliformis</i>	12	0.103	0.203	0.112	0.317
<i>R. tesselata</i>	3	-0.116	0.007	0.345	0.056
<i>T. nitzschiooides</i>	1	0.005	-0.055	0.412	0.083
<i>T. antarctica</i>	11	-0.167	0.392	0.130	0.043
<i>T. decipiens</i>	19	0.030	-0.009	0.055	0.033
<i>T. delicatulata</i>	23	0.015	0.007	0.019	-0.012
<i>T. excentrica</i>	21	0.060	-0.002	0.035	0.027
<i>T. gracilis</i>	25	0.239	0.236	-0.011	0.237
<i>T. lentiginosa</i>	6	0.212	0.111	0.254	-0.519
<i>T. lineata</i>	15	0.044	-0.004	0.092	0.046
<i>T. oestrupii</i>	7	-0.051	-0.007	0.247	0.052
<i>T. oliverana</i>	29	0.198	0.031	-0.051	-0.182
<i>T. tumida</i>	24	-0.001	0.057	0.016	0.053
<i>Thalassiothrix sp.</i>	33	0.566	0.015	-0.127	0.346

The "temperature-related" index used in the text is reported with the corresponding species.

et al., 1985]. However, the preferential dissolution of the lightly silicified species that dominate the sea ice (including *N. curta* /31) is the major factor to consider in explaining the thanatocoenosis [Krebs, 1977], although resuspended and/or advected diatoms resulting from several years of production have also been collected in sediment traps [Leventer and Dunbar, 1987].

If deep thermohaline current flow is sufficiently strong in many regions to be an important processes in advecting sediment components [Jones and Johnson, 1984], from our data the three distinct biogeographic assemblages of diatoms are also characteristic of plankton assemblages in overlying

Antarctic waters [Fenner et al., 1976]. So, the redistribution of diatoms by bottom waters cannot affect the results of this study.

Little is known about seasonal variability of Antarctic planktonic diatoms. The seasonal cycle of phytoplankton production shows a spring increase in November and December, with maximum values reached in December. Phytoplankton abundance drops off in January and February and then shows a small March and April increase in the northern part of the southern ocean. In May, the population drops to the winter minimum. This minimum persists until November, with a generally high temporal and spatial variability of the biogenic opal fluxes [Hart, 1942; Wefer et al., 1988, 1990].

From our sedimentary data the reasonably close correlations (Figure 6) of the first three factors with summer SST are clear and illustrate the succession of species dominance from -1.9°C to 17°C.

#### Results of the Regression Analysis

Following Imbrie and Kipp [1971], we have used a multiple curvilinear regression to quantify the relationships between the four floral factors in each of the 166 sediment samples and the present-day SST for summer, winter, autumn, and spring. Because of the great symmetry in the hydrology around Antarctica, these parameters are interdependent (Table 5). Summer SST is highly correlated (correlation coefficient > 0.96) with the water temperatures of the other seasons which therefore may not be independently estimated. The relationships between each of the factors and the environmental parameters show the highest multiple correlation between Factor 3 and Summer SST (0.906). We present in Table 6 the regression results for all parameters, but we will discuss only the summer SST relation. The DTF has a multiple correlation coefficient (MCC) of 0.966 and a standard error of the estimate (SEE) of ± 1°C, approximately 8 % of the observed range of summer SST. Regression coefficients of the variables, intercepts for the curvilinear equations for summer (Table 6), and the varimax factor score matrix from the factor analysis (Table 4) define DTF 166/34/4.

The scatter diagram of observed versus estimated summer SST (Figure 7) indicates that DTF 166/34/4 accurately reconstructs temperature gradients between -1.9° and 10°C. The few reconstructions available for the 10° to 14°C summer SST range are also acceptable.

#### Tests of Accuracy

Three tests of accuracy may be used here to measure the validity of our SST estimates: (1) examination of residuals in the 42 artificial samples introduced in the DTF, (2) examination of core top samples that were eliminated from the initial floral data base because of their poor preservation and, (3)

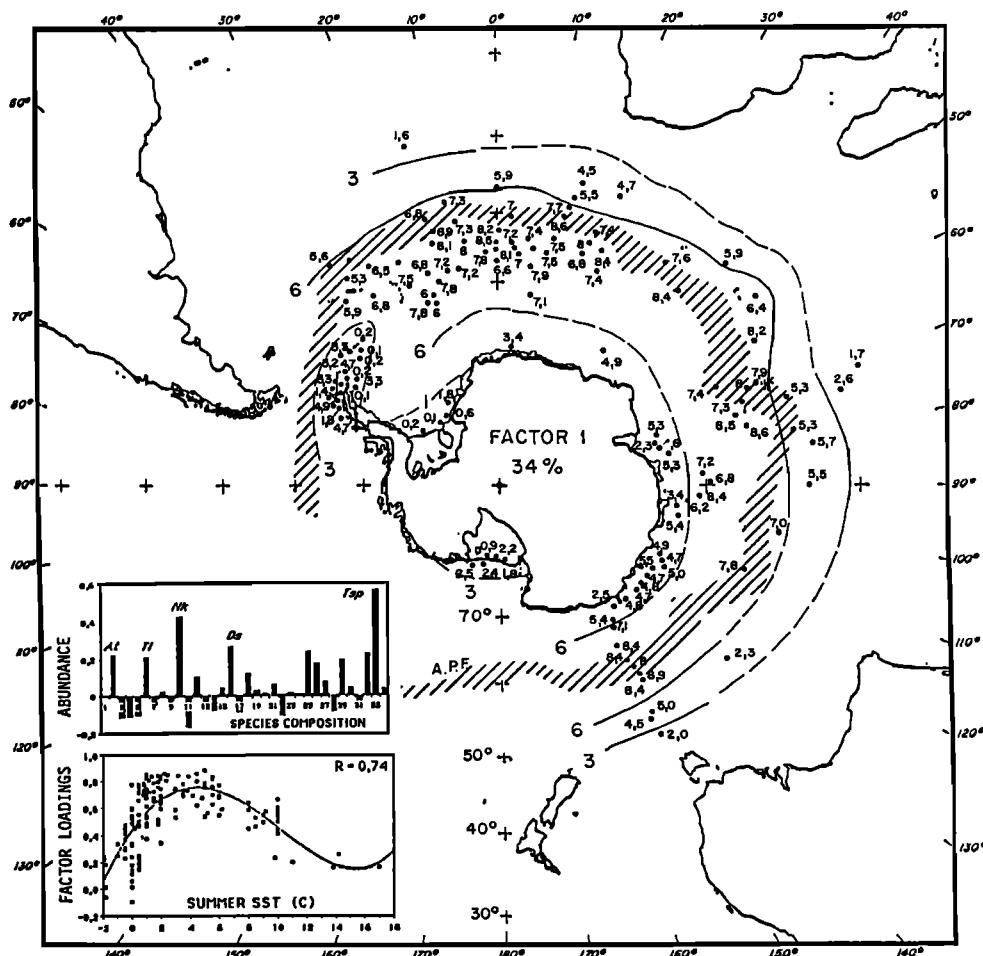


Fig. 2. "Open-ocean Antarctic" assemblage in surface sediments of the southern ocean (factor 1 loading boundaries  $\times 10$ ). Histogram illustrates species composition of this assemblage from Table 4. X-Y graph illustrates generalized distribution of this assemblage with respect to summer SST from Gordon and Molinelli [1982].

comparison between foraminifera- and diatom-based equations in down core analysis.

Study of the residuals in the artificial samples (i.e., the differences obtained when the estimated temperatures are subtracted from the measured temperatures (Figure 8)) indicates that because of the selective dissolution of warmer diatom species, DTF 166/34/4 underestimates SST by more than one standard error (residuals  $>+1^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) where dissolution is higher than 50% (factor 4 loadings  $<-0.140$ ) for the Subantarctic zone samples. Simultaneously, due to the fragility of species associated with sea ice, the tendency is to overestimate the temperatures (residuals  $<-1^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) in samples located to the south of the APF that have experienced more than 80% dissolution (factor 4 loadings  $<-0.300$ ). In these cases, high factor 4 scores may be used as dissolution indices (Table 3).

This test was extended to 23 core tops that had been excluded from the reference data base because

of their poor preservation. Study of the residuals (Table 7, Figure 9) indicates that temperature estimates are within  $\pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$  as long as estimated silica loss is less than  $\sim 70\%$  (factor 4 loadings  $<-0.3$ ).

The relationship between accuracy as judged by the residuals and biogenic opal dissolution estimated by the factor 4 loadings can also be used to determine how diatom preservation may affect accuracy of downcore analyses. Because factor 4 is statistically independent of SST over the whole range  $-1.9$  to  $+10^{\circ}\text{C}$ , it may be used in paleoclimatic reconstructions as a quantitative opal dissolution estimator [Baireille et al., 1991; Pichon et al., 1992].

The reliability of SST estimates can be checked using equations calibrated with the distributions of different microfossils. Such a comparison is feasible for the Holocene in the Subantarctic zone using summer SST estimates based on foraminifera. The foraminifera-based equations used in this reconstruction are derived from the analysis of

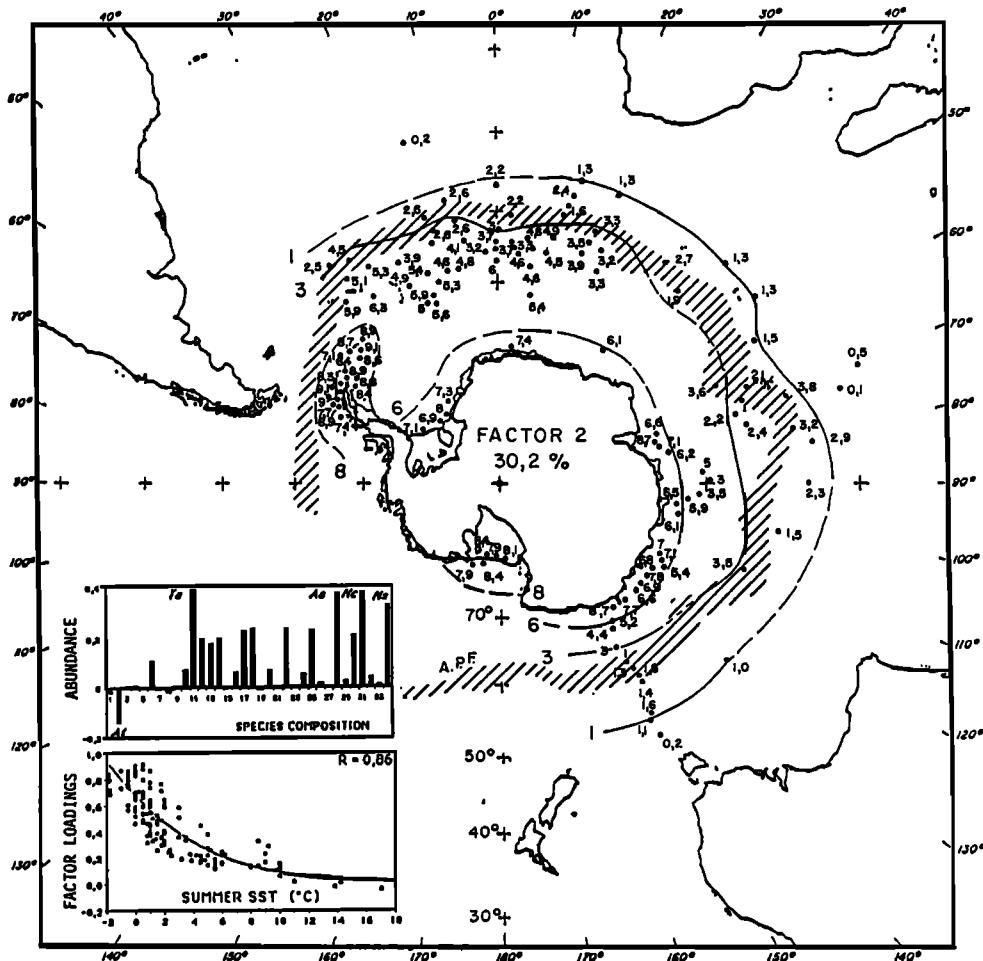


Fig. 3. "Ice zone Antarctic" assemblage in surface sediments of the southern ocean (factor 2 loading boundaries  $\times 10$ ). Histogram illustrates species composition of this assemblage from Table 4. X-Y graph illustrates generalized distribution of this assemblage with respect to summer SST from Gordon and Molinelli [1982].

census data for 21 species from 49 Indian Ocean surface-sediment samples [Labracherie et al., 1989]. The standard error for summer SST is  $\pm 1.3^{\circ}\text{C}$  over the range  $+3^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+15.5^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Comparison of estimates made on the same samples using the two fossil groups is possible in 34 samples covering the last 14 kyr of core MD 84-527 [Labracherie et al., 1989]. Summer SST estimated by both transfer functions are identical within their standard error (Figure 10). The above results indicate that DTF 136/34/4 can be used to estimate accurately past changes in summer SST over a wide variety of samples.

#### PALEOCLIMATIC RECORDS

Core MD 84-527 is located between the Subtropical Convergence and the Antarctic Polar Front ( $43^{\circ}49'3''\text{S}$  -  $51^{\circ}19'1''\text{E}$ ). It is a duplicate of

over sampled core MD 73-025, a reference record for benthic foraminiferal isotopic changes [Duplessy et al., 1980; Labeyrie and Duplessy, 1985; Labeyrie et al., 1986; CLIMAP Project Members, 1984]; core MD 84-551 is located at  $55^{\circ}00'5''\text{S}$ ,  $73^{\circ}16'9''\text{E}$ , within Antarctic waters (Figure 1).

#### Foraminiferal Isotopic Analysis

We have analyzed the oxygen and carbon isotopic ratio of both planktonic (*Neogloboquadrina pachyderma* s.) and benthic (*Cibicides wuellerstorfi*) foraminiferal species in core MD 84-527. At a few levels, *Melonis barleeanum* was analyzed where *C. wuellerstorfi* was absent. Because of a lack of benthic foraminifera, *N. pachyderma* s. was the only species analyzed in core MD 84-551. Isotopic ratios were measured at Gif on a manual VG-602 Isogas mass spectrometer, except for few recent analysis made on an automated MAT-251 Finnigan

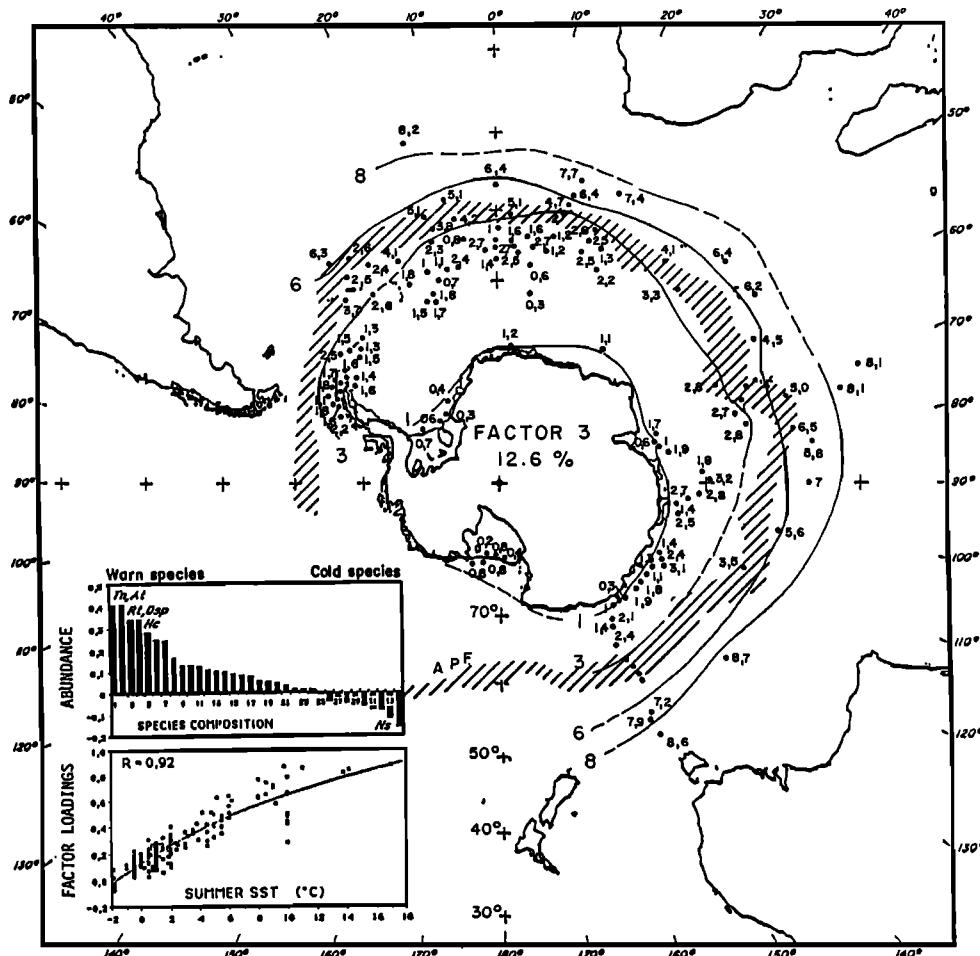


Fig. 4. "Subantarctic" assemblage in surface sediments of the southern ocean (factor 3 loading boundaries  $\times 10$ ). Histogram illustrates species composition of this assemblage from Table 4. X-Y graph illustrates generalized distribution of this assemblage with respect to summer SST from Gordon and Molinelli [1982].

with individual acid reactors. External reproducibility at the 1 s level for individual analysis of standards ( $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  and  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ ) is  $\pm 0.08\text{\textperthousand}$  for the VG-602, and  $\pm 0.05\text{\textperthousand}$  for the MAT-251. The measurements are reported as  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  and  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  referenced to the Pee Dee Belemnite standard versus depth for each core in Tables 8a and 8b, and Figure 11.

The *N. pachyderma* s.  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  records of cores MD 84-527 and MD 84-551 (c and f in Fig. 11) cannot be directly compared to "standard" oxygen isotope signals, as given for example by Imbrie et al. [1984], Labeyrie et al. [1987], and Martinson et al. [1987]. Such is the case in most high latitude records: changes in surface temperature and salinity are large, with significant local variability, and sedimentation rates are deeply modulated by glacial-interglacial cycles (with a large decrease in diatom productivity both north and south of the subpolar

zone and the addition of ice-rafterd detritus). Planktonic foraminiferal  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  is also sensitive to the occurrence of spikes of isotopically light meltwater during periods of deglaciation [Labeyrie et al., 1986]. The main isotopic transitions reported in Figure 11 are therefore defined from the benthic  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  record of core MD 84-527, the *N. pachyderma* s.  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  records [Labeyrie and Duplessy, 1985], and detailed covariance between the *N. pachyderma* s.  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  signals of both cores.

Compared to the general structure of lower-latitude records [Martinson et al., 1987], the main characteristics of the *N. pachyderma* s. records are: a well-pronounced low  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  at the beginning of isotope stage 5.5, followed by a relatively sharp increase in  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ ; the absence of well-defined  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  oscillations during isotope stages 4 to 5.3; several

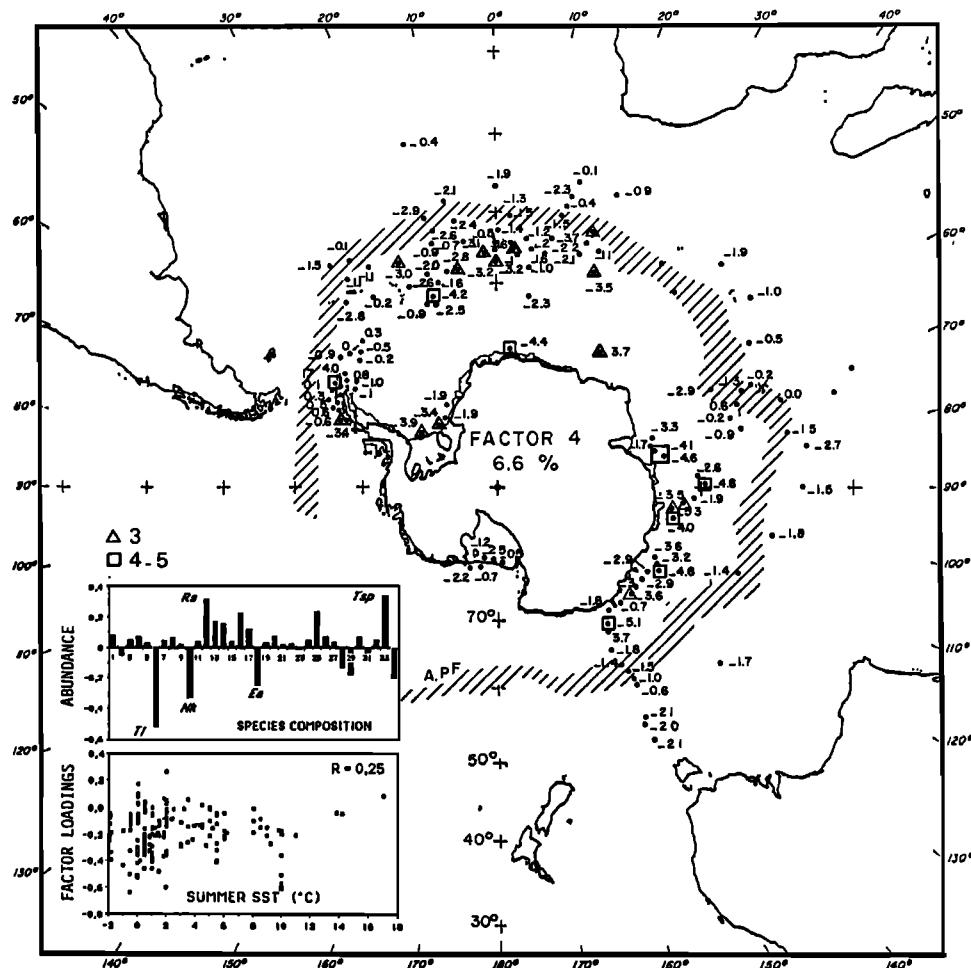


Fig. 5. "Sediment dissolution" assemblage in surface sediments of the southern ocean (factor 4 loading boundaries  $\times 10$ ). Histogram illustrates species composition of this assemblage from Table 4. X-Y graph illustrates generalized distribution of this assemblage with respect to Summer SST from Gordon and Molinelli [1982].

abrupt low  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  and  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  events in core MD 84-527, without equivalent changes in other isotopic records from lower latitudes. These spikes probably mark events of large meltwater input [Labeyrie et al., 1986]. Isotope stages 6, 4, and 2 are reasonably well recorded in both cores by low  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  values [Labeyrie and Duplessy, 1985].

Other distortions are also introduced by large changes in sedimentation rate, a common property of the sediments of the Southern Ocean. Depending on the position of the polar front relative to the cores, fluxes of silica and sedimentation rates, vary by more than one order of magnitude [Labracherie et al. 1987, Bareille 1990, Bareille et al., 1992].

#### The SST records

##### *Interpretation of the $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ of *N. pachyderma* s.*

The  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  of *N. pachyderma* s. may be interpreted in terms of temperature if the water  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  is known [Labeyrie et al., 1986; Duplessy et al., 1991]. Extracting sea surface salinity from the Levitus [1982] atlas gives a mean salinity of  $\approx 33.8\text{‰}$  for both locations, i.e., a mean water  $\delta^{18}\text{O} \approx -0.3\text{ ‰}$  versus. SMOW, if we take into account the salinity/water  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  relationship of GEOSECS [Östlund et al., 1987]. The relation

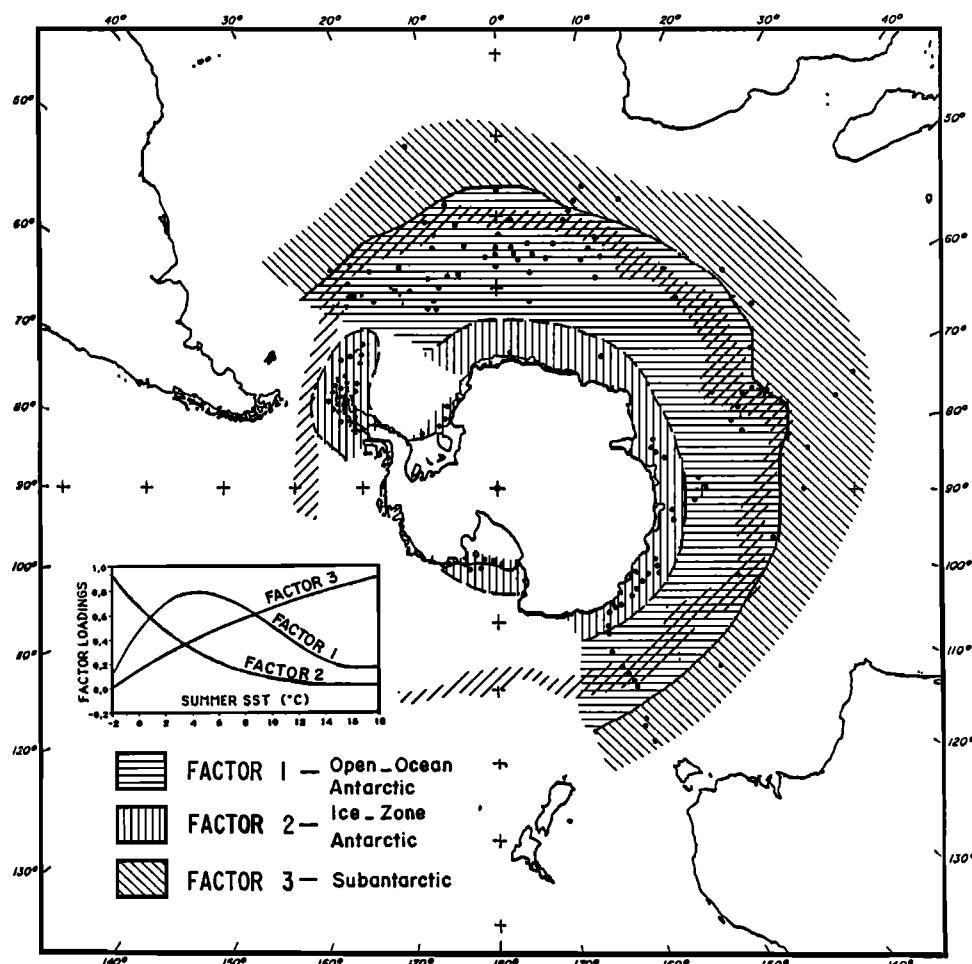


Fig. 6. Areal distribution of the three dominant diatom species assemblages defined by the varimax factor scores. X-Y graph illustrates generalized distribution of these factors with respect to Summer SST from Gordon and Molinelli [1982].

TABLE 5. Correlation Matrix

	Summer SST	Winter SST	Autumn SST	Spring SST	Summer SSS	Sea ice	Factor 1	Factor 2	Factor 3	Factor 4
Summer SST	1.000	0.977	0.965	0.966	0.662	-0.680	0.164	-0.820	0.906	-0.056
Winter SST		1.000	0.959	0.962	0.685	-0.631	0.121	-0.816	0.886	-0.055
Autumn SST			1.000	0.943	0.657	-0.673	0.175	-0.805	0.871	-0.036
Spring SST				1.000	0.729	-0.572	0.033	-0.754	0.867	-0.038
Summer SSS					1.000	-0.218	-0.251	-0.421	0.487	-0.019
Sea ice						1.000	-0.751	0.870	-0.672	0.010
Factor 1							1.000	-0.565	0.161	-0.038
Factor 2								1.000	-0.774	0.196
Factor 3									1.000	-0.007
Factor 4										1.000

Correlation coefficients between pairs of oceanographic parameters, factors, and between oceanographic parameters and factors; SST: sea surface temperature; SSS: sea surface salinity.

TABLE 6. Characteristics of Transfer Function DTF 166/34/4

	Summer SST	Autumn SST	Winter SST	Spring SST
MCC	0.966	0.931	0.958	0.951
SEE	$\pm 1.0^{\circ}\text{C}$	$\pm 1.5^{\circ}\text{C}$	$\pm 1.1^{\circ}\text{C}$	$\pm 1.2^{\circ}\text{C}$
Range	18.9°C	19.7°C	14°C	19.2°C
Subantarctic	-27,29	-48,15	-24,33	-26,19
Open-ocean	-19,65	-21,01	-13,20	-12,49
Ice-zone	-63,59	-75,28	-49,80	-56,98
Dissolution	6,77	18,24	2,76	5,29
Subantarctic/open-ocean	-3,49	-18,19	-1,12	-7,22
Subantarctic/ice-zone	-2,15	-8,15	0,68	-0,08
Subantarctic/dissolution	27,30	24,40	18,65	18,43
Open-ocean/ice-zone	16,34	26,24	16,73	12,18
Open-ocean/dissolution	34,21	54,75	22,36	29,61
Ice-zone/dissolution	-8,82	-2,75	-2,95	1,25
Subantarctic, squared	11,91	22,84	14,23	15,72
Open-ocean, squared	-1,49	-5,12	-3,56	-5,24
Ice-zone, squared	31,92	35,89	25,01	30,37
Dissolution, squared	-0,16	4,08	0,22	0,90
Intercept	29,34	36,72	21,74	24,68

MCC: multiple-correlation coefficient; SEE: standard error of estimate.

between water temperature and the oxygen isotopic fractionation in foraminiferal carbonate [O'Neil et al., 1969; Shackleton, 1974; Duplessy et al., 1991] may be applied to the measured *pachyderma s.s.*  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  value of the core tops (mean top 60 cm  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$

respectively +1.99‰ and +3.16‰). This gives +6.3°C and +2°C for the sea surface isotopic temperatures of cores MD 84-527 and MD 84-551, respectively. Levitus [1982] indicates, at the location of core MD 84-527, a strong temperature inversion in summer between 20 and 70 m below the surface, with temperatures decreasing from +10°C at the surface to +2.5°C at 50 m depth. At the location of core MD 84-551, the summer SST is homogeneous at +2°C over the upper 50 m. The isotopic results compare very well with the observed mean summer

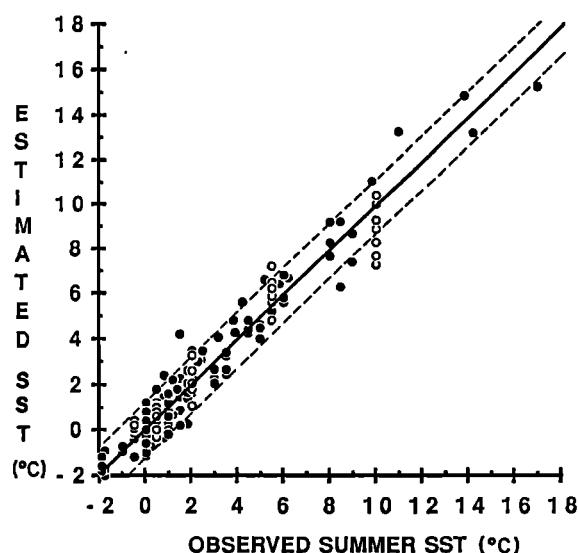


Fig. 7. Plots of estimated versus observed summer SST. Open circles correspond to the 42 artificially dissolved samples [Pichon et al., 1992]. Dashed lines define the  $1\sigma$  confidence band of the standard error of estimate:  $\pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

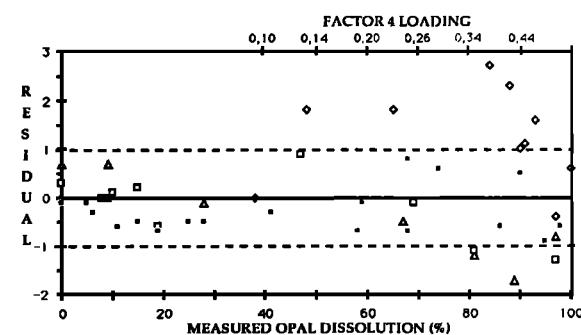


Fig. 8. Plots of residual temperatures for the 42 artificially dissolved samples versus the observed opal dissolution during the experiments [Pichon et al., 1992]. Diamonds correspond to the Subantarctic samples; others correspond to different temperature zones of southern ocean. Dashed lines define the  $1\sigma$  confidence band of the standard error of estimate:  $\pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

TABLE 7. Residual Temperature and Calculated Opal Dissolution Percentage of 23 Holocene Surface Samples Not Used to Build the Transfer Function DTF 166/34/4 Because of Their Poor Preservation Aspect

Core Top	Summer SST Measured	Summer SST Estimated	Residuals	Factor 4 Loading	Silica Loss Estimated (%)
1578-8	0	1,3	-1,3	-0,32	78
1678-106	3	2,6	0,4	-0,16	52
1678-112	6,5	5,4	1,1	-0,30	75
V22-102	3	2,4	0,6	-0,01	18
V22-104	4	3,3	0,7	-0,26	69
V29-87	4	3,1	0,9	-0,30	75
RC11-73	5	5,1	-0,1	-0,35	81
RC11-79	5	5	0	-0,45	91
RC11-92	3	3,9	-0,9	-0,03	23
RC12-289	6	5,1	0,9	-0,44	90
RC15-88	2	1,8	0,2	-0,29	73
MD80-301	4	4,5	-0,5	-0,23	64
MD82-417	6,5	6	0,5	-0,02	21
MD82-418	6	6,1	-0,1	-0,18	56
MD82-421	4,5	5,1	-0,6	-0,16	52
MD82-423	2	3	-1	-0,20	59
MD82-428	2	2,6	-0,6	-0,22	63
MD82-432	1	1,1	-0,1	-0,23	64
MD82-433	0,5	1,1	-0,6	-0,27	71
MD82-439	-0,3	1,2	-1,5	-0,27	71
MD82-440	0,2	-0,2	0,4	-0,48	93
MD82-443	1	1,7	-0,7	-0,04	26
MD82-445	1	1,3	-0,3	-0,20	59

SST values for the upper 30 m. Curiously, in these cores, *N. pachyderma s.* does not show the systematic difference of  $\approx 2.5^{\circ}\text{C}$  between observed and isotopic temperatures that is apparent in the North Atlantic Ocean [Duplessy et al., 1991]. This could derive from differences in the growth season.

The sedimentation rate in core MD 84-527 is low during the Last Glacial Maximum (less than 2 cm/kyr [Labracherie et al., 1989; Bard et al., 1989]) and *N. pachyderma s.* shells are rare. The  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  values for LGM, lighter (by approximately 0.6 ‰) than in the

LGM levels of near-by core MD 73-025 [Duplessy et al., 1980] are therefore probable not representative. A value of +4.1‰ (as in core MD 73-

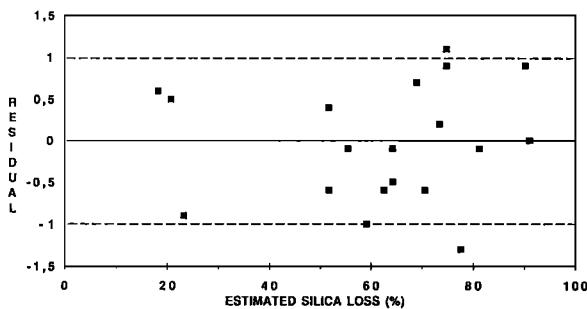


Fig. 9. Plots of residual temperatures for the 23 Holocene surface samples not used in development of the transfer function D166/34/4 (from Table 7).

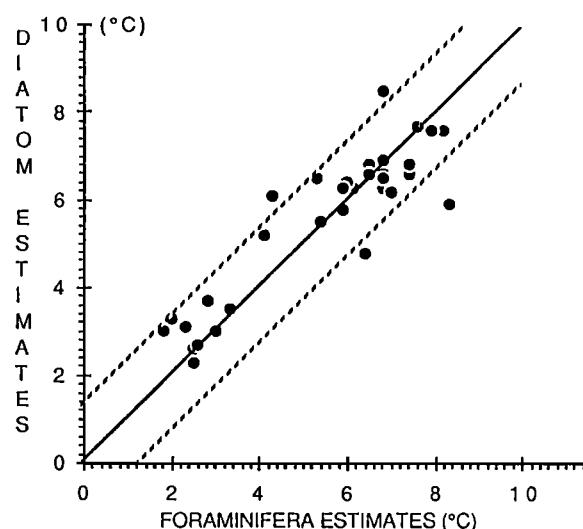


Fig. 10. Comparison between the foraminiferal and diatom SST estimates in the Holocene section of Subantarctic core MD 84-527.

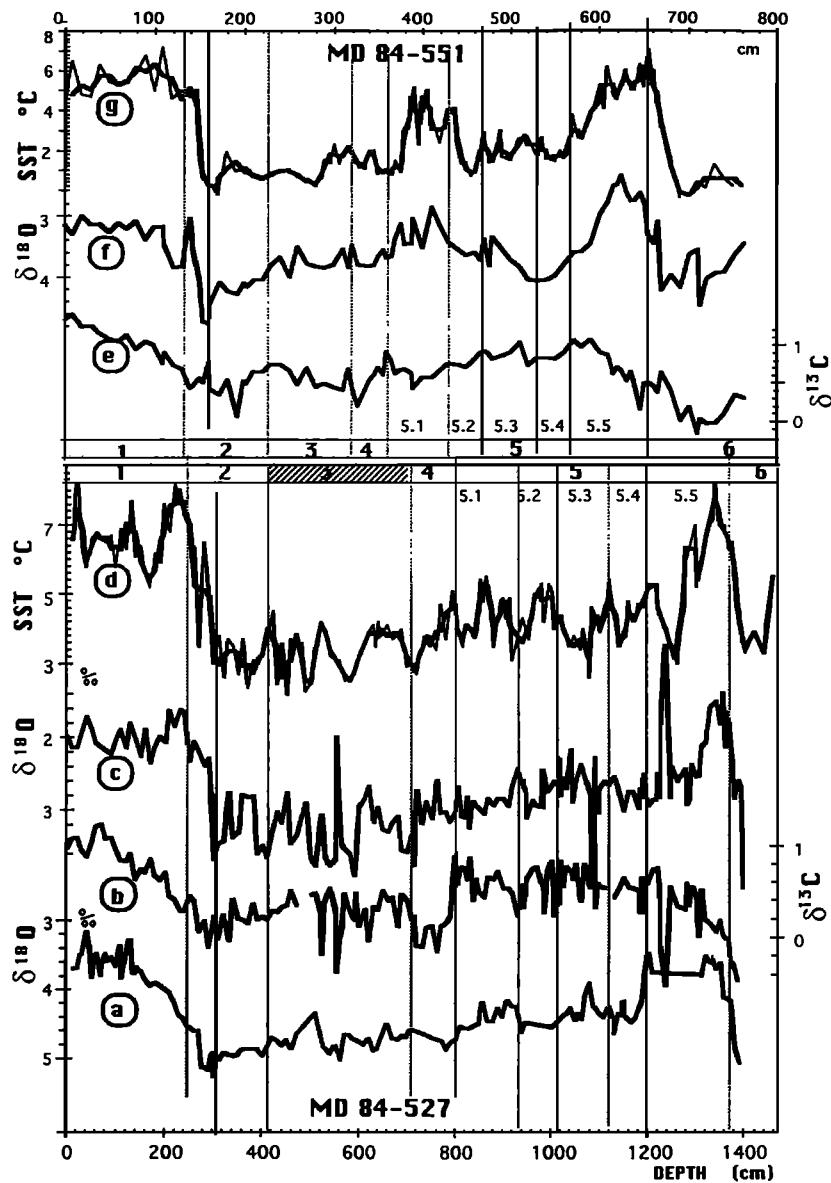


Fig. 11. Distribution with depth and Emiliani's stages in cores MD 84-527 ( $44^{\circ}$  S,  $51^{\circ}$  E; 3,262 m depth) and MD 84-551 ( $55^{\circ}$  S,  $73^{\circ}$  E; 1,504 m depth) of (a)  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  of the benthic foraminifera *Cibicides wuellerstorffii* in core MD 84-527; (b)  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  of the planktonic foraminifera *N. pachyderma s.* in core MD 84-527; (c)  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  of *N. pachyderma s.* in core MD 84-527, (d) diatom summer SST in core MD 84-527; (e)  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  of the planktonic foraminifera *N. pachyderma s.* in core MD 84-551, (f)  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  of *N. pachyderma s.* in core MD 84-551; and (g) diatom summer SST in core MD 84-551.

025) corresponds if the mean ocean water  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  is increased by 1.2‰ [Labeyrie et al., 1987; Shackleton, 1987] to a water temperature of +3°C.

For core MD 84-551 the mean LGM  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  value of +4.6‰ corresponds to a SST value of +1°C if the salinity gradients have not changed since the LGM.

The interpretation of *N. pachyderma s.*  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  in terms of sea surface temperature may not be

extended to other periods, because of the lack of constraints on the changes of surface water  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ .

**The diatom transfer function.** Tables 8a and 8b, and Figure 11 present the results of the application of DTF 166/34/4 to cores MD 84-527 and MD 84-551. Communalities stay high (>0.8) throughout both records. The large changes in summer sea surface temperature (>5°C) estimated by the DTF are mostly

TABLE 8a. Changes in the Benthic and Planktonic Foraminifera  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  and  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ , and Summer SST Estimated by the Transfer Function DTF 166/34/4 in Core MD 84-527

Depth, cm	Age, ka	Benthic Foraminifera				N.	SSST, °C	Depth, cm	Age, ka	Benthic Foraminifera				N.
		$\delta^{18}\text{O}$ , ‰	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ , ‰	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$ , ‰	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ , ‰					$\delta^{18}\text{O}$ , ‰	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ , ‰	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$ , ‰	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ , ‰	
0	1,00	-	-	1,98	0,98	6,8	865	71,71	-	-	-	-	-	5,0
5	1,25	3,73	0,28	-	-	-	870	71,97	4,46	-0,24	2,84	0,67	-	-
10	1,50	-	-	2,14	1,07	6,6	875	72,24	-	-	-	-	-	4,5
13	1,65	3,69	0,51	-	-	-	880	72,50	4,45	0,02	2,94	0,64	4,5	-
20	2,00	-	-	2,14	1,10	8,5	890	74,70	4,27	0,14	2,84	0,72	-	-
23	2,15	3,67	0,19	-	-	-	895	75,80	-	-	-	-	-	4,3
30	2,50	3,48	0,45	1,96	0,95	6,8	900	76,90	4,39	-	2,85	0,54	4,7	-
40	3,00	3,17	0,13	1,71	0,89	6,5	905	78,00	-	-	-	-	-	4,6
50	3,50	3,52	0,23	1,89	1,06	6,2	910	79,10	4,16	0,10	2,95	0,54	-	-
53	3,65	3,81	0,42	-	-	-	915	80,20	-	-	-	-	-	4,3
60	4,00	3,48	0,13	2,09	1,22	6,6	920	81,30	4,25	0,15	2,69	0,48	3,9	-
70	4,50	3,79	0,37	2,15	1,23	6,8	928	83,06	4,25	-0,10	-	-	-	-
73	4,65	3,63	0,31	-	-	-	930	83,50	-	-	2,44	0,25	-	-
80	5,00	3,48	0,14	2,19	1,08	6,5	938	84,58	-	-	2,60	0,5	-	-
83	5,15	3,59	0,26	-	-	-	940	84,85	4,62	0,05	2,64	0,45	3,8	-
90	5,50	3,53	0,07	2,23	1,09	6,4	946	85,66	-	-	2,75	0,47	-	-
100	6,00	3,66	0,00	2,01	0,94	6,3	950	86,20	4,48	0,28	3,10	0,64	-	-
110	6,25	3,37	-0,24	1,90	0,85	6,6	955	86,85	-	-	-	-	3,9	-
113	6,33	3,83	-0,16	-	-	-	960	87,50	-	-	2,88	0,75	4,5	-
120	6,50	-	-	2,14	0,84	6,7	965	88,15	-	-	-	-	4,8	-
130	6,75	3,29	-0,18	1,80	0,93	6,9	970	88,80	-	-	2,95	0,78	-	-
138	6,95	3,77	-0,19	-	-	-	975	89,45	-	-	-	-	4,9	-
140	7,00	-	-	2,02	0,64	6,6	978	89,84	-	-	2,97	0,61	-	-
143	7,08	3,67	-0,18	-	-	-	980	90,10	-	-	2,46	0,59	4,9	-
150	7,25	3,73	-0,11	2,26	0,75	6,1	985	90,75	-	-	2,74	0,42	5,0	-
160	7,50	3,85	0,00	1,89	0,71	5,6	990	91,40	-	-	2,75	0,71	-	-
170	7,75	3,94	-0,15	2,36	0,85	5,5	995	92,05	-	-	-	-	4,8	-
180	8,00	3,90	-0,51	2,14	0,69	5,9	1000	92,70	4,56	-0,02	2,68	0,83	4,6	-
190	8,33	-	-	1,98	0,63	6,3	1003	92,89	4,24	0,17	-	-	-	-
200	8,67	-	-	2,07	0,71	7,0	1005	93,02	-	-	2,62	0,24	4,6	-
210	9,00	4,06	-0,12	1,64	0,45	7,4	1010	93,34	-	-	2,66	0,69	-	-
220	9,33	4,20	0,01	1,85	0,42	7,9	1013	93,53	4,26	-	-	-	-	-
230	9,68	4,38	-0,12	1,63	0,29	7,7	1015	93,66	-	-	2,31	0,38	4,3	-
240	10,05	4,43	-0,40	1,69	0,29	7,7	1020	93,97	-	-	2,79	0,83	4,1	-
250	10,41	4,54	-0,31	2,32	0,45	6,4	1023	94,16	3,75	0,12	-	-	-	-
260	10,77	4,60	-0,22	2,06	0,39	5,8	1025	94,29	-	-	2,57	0,57	4,0	-
270	11,14	4,61	-0,29	2,22	0,08	5,4	1030	94,61	4,36	-0,01	2,70	0,77	-	-
280	11,50	5,13	-0,38	2,41	0,18	4,9	1037	95,06	-	-	-	-	3,8	-
290	13,25	5,18	-0,35	2,29	-0,09	4,5	1040	95,25	4,27	0,07	2,19	0,72	3,6	-
293	13,78	5,04	-0,55	-	-	-	1043	95,44	4,17	0,06	2,90	0,63	-	-
300	15,00	4,92	-0,38	3,54	0,19	4,1	1046	95,96	-	-	-	-	3,6	-
302	15,83	5,26	-0,44	3,68	0,24	-	1050	96,88	4,45	0,23	2,64	0,80	-	-
310	19,17	4,98	-0,33	3,48	0,00	3,1	1053	97,57	4,35	0,64	-	-	-	-
313	20,42	5,02	-0,77	-	-	-	1060	99,18	-	-	2,38	0,40	3,8	-
320	23,33	4,93	-0,64	3,43	0,24	3,2	1063	99,87	4,44	0,14	-	-	-	-
330	25,53	4,95	-0,45	2,78	-0,03	3,3	1065	100,32	-	-	-	-	3,4	-
340	26,41	4,97	-0,68	3,39	0,41	3,3	1070	101,47	4,11	0,31	2,57	0,80	-	-

TABLE 8a. (continued)

Depth, cm	Age, ka	Benthic Foraminifera				N.	Benthic Foraminifera				N.	
		$\delta^{18}\text{O}$	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$		SSST,	Depth, cm	Age, ka	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$	
350	27,29	4,94	-0,54	3,31	0,21	3,3	1075	102,62	-	-	-	3,4
360	28,07	4,88	-0,80	2,80	0,20	3,0	1080	103,77	3,91	0,53	2,79	0,55
370	28,44	4,86	-0,47	2,83	0,17	2,9	1085	104,31	-	-	-	3,7
380	28,81	4,86	-0,47	2,82	0,37	2,9	1090	104,69	4,25	-0,17	2,29	0,73
390	29,17	4,87	-0,09	3,60	0,19	2,9	1092	104,85	-	-	2,98	0,34
400	29,54	4,96	-0,86	3,50	0,24	3,7	1096	105,15	-	-	3,04	0,59
410	29,90	-	-	3,67	0,19	3,6	1100	105,46	4,35	0,11	2,72	0,57
420	30,27	4,70	-0,73	3,29	0,29	3,7	1110	106,23	4,41	0,15	2,61	0,54
430	30,63	4,74	-0,60	3,04	0,29	3,3	1115	106,62	-	-	-	4,5
440	31,00	4,82	-0,48	3,19	0,33	3,0	1120	107,00	4,26	0,16	2,67	-
450	31,98	4,73	-0,44	2,77	0,36	2,9	1128	107,53	4,41	-0,05	-	-
460	32,97	4,85	-0,34	3,46	0,52	3,4	1130	107,67	4,64	-	2,56	0,45
470	33,95	4,65	-0,47	3,35	0,35	3,3	1135	108,00	-	-	-	4,2
480	34,93	-	-	-	-	3,2	1140	108,33	4,35	-0,44	2,80	0,56
490	35,92	-	-	2,91	-	2,7	1145	108,67	4,37	0,51	-	-
500	36,90	-	-	3,64	0,47	2,8	1149	108,93	4,17	0,12	-	-
510	37,89	4,40	-0,29	3,76	0,50	3,3	1150	109,00	4,38	-	3,01	0,66
520	38,87	-	-	3,21	0,28	3,8	1154	109,27	-	-	-	3,9
522	39,07	4,41	0,42	3,08	-0,17	-	1160	109,67	-	-	2,75	0,55
527	39,56	-	-	3,49	0,38	-	1164	109,93	4,48	0,06	-	-
530	39,85	4,85	-0,18	3,64	0,40	3,9	1167	110,13	-	-	-	4,4
540	40,84	4,94	-0,59	3,76	0,54	3,6	1170	110,33	-	-	2,75	0,54
550	41,82	4,82	-0,58	3,67	0,30	3,1	1175	110,67	4,40	0,53	-	4,4
560	42,80	5,02	-0,53	3,07	0,00	2,8	1180	111,00	-	-	2,98	0,52
563	43,10	-	-	3,46	0,02	-	1182	111,50	-	-	2,73	0,28
570	43,82	4,65	-0,65	3,53	0,47	2,7	1187	112,75	4,15	0,02	2,92	0,69
580	44,83	4,66	-0,86	3,62	0,28	2,6	1188	113,00	-	-	2,73	0,34
590	45,85	4,72	-0,54	3,89	0,19	2,8	1190	113,50	-	-	2,53	0,56
600	46,87	-	-	2,97	0,14	3,3	1194	114,50	-	-	-	4,9
610	47,89	4,80	-0,53	2,85	0,30	-	1200	116,00	3,48	-0,12	2,96	0,60
620	48,91	4,71	-0,90	2,69	-0,02	3,6	1208	117,02	3,74	0,13	-	-
630	49,93	4,89	-0,61	3,17	0,35	3,9	1210	117,27	-	-	2,86	0,75
635	50,44	-	-	-	-	4,0	1216	118,04	3,80	-0,38	2,87	0,72
639	50,84	4,84	-0,43	-	-	-	1220	118,55	-	-	2,51	0,76
640	50,94	-	-	2,97	0,31	3,9	1224	-	-	-0,72	2,84	0,45
645	51,45	-	-	-	-	3,9	1230	-	-	-	3,23	0,75
650	51,96	-	-	3,28	0,51	-	1240	-	-	-	-	3,7
660	52,98	4,51	-0,52	3,31	0,41	3,9	1246	-	-	-	2,83	0,55
663	53,29	4,48	0,07	-	-	-	1250	-	-	-	2,42	0,51
670	54,00	4,71	-0,55	3,18	0,45	3,9	1255	-	-	-	-	3,4
680	54,63	4,73	-0,38	3,10	0,13	3,8	1260	-	-	-	2,62	0,34
690	55,26	4,66	-0,72	3,55	0,48	3,6	1276	-	-	-	2,50	0,34
700	55,90	4,70	-0,78	3,58	0,41	3,2	1280	-	-	-	2,92	0,58
708	56,40	4,58	-0,61	-	-	-	1286	-	-	-	2,85	0,36
710	56,53	-	-	3,31	0,17	-	1290	-	-	-	2,38	0,55
712	56,65	-	-	3,66	0,04	-	1297	-	-	-	-	6,2
715	56,84	-	-	3,75	0,23	2,9	1300	-	-	-	2,56	0,44
720	57,16	-	-	2,74	-0,09	2,9	1305	-	-	-	2,58	0,05

TABLE 8a. (continued)

Depth, cm	Age, ka	Benthic Foraminifera				N. <i>pachyderma s.</i>	Depth, °C	Age, cm	Benthic Foraminifera				N. <i>pachyderma s.</i>
		$\delta^{18}\text{O}$	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$				$\delta^{18}\text{O}$	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$	
725	57,47	-	-	-	-	3,2	1310	119,35	3,80	-	2,15	0,51	-
730	57,79	-	-	3,19	-0,10	-	1315	119,94	-	-	-	-	5,9
735	58,11	-	-	-	-	3,6	1318	120,29	3,52	0,27	2,06	0,2	-
740	58,42	-	-	2,90	0,11	3,7	1320	120,53	-	-	-	-	6,9
745	58,74	-	-	-	-	3,9	1330	122,00	3,62	-0,12	1,59	0,15	-
750	59,05	4,69	-0,72	3,13	0,13	-	1333	122,50	3,57	-0,26	-	-	-
760	59,68	4,72	-0,61	2,60	-0,15	3,8	1336	123,00	-	-	-	-	7,4
770	60,98	4,75	-0,91	3,05	0,13	4,1	1340	123,67	3,71	-0,36	1,52	0,06	7,6
780	62,93	4,88	-0,28	3,03	0,16	4,4	1346	124,67	-	-	-	-	7,5
790	64,89	4,78	-0,52	3,17	0,23	-	1350	125,33	3,62	0,13	1,82	0,19	-
795	65,87	-	-	-	-	4,7	1355	126,17	-	-	1,41	0,03	7,1
800	66,84	4,73	-0,19	3,05	0,89	4,4	1360	127,00	4,12	0,03	2,14	-0,01	6,7
805	67,82	-	-	2,70	0,58	4,2	1365	127,83	-	-	1,67	0,00	6,6
810	68,80	4,53	0,17	2,90	0,74	-	1370	128,67	4,19	-0,45	2,23	-0,27	-
815	69,06	-	-	3,09	0,77	3,8	1375	129,50	-	-	2,40	-0,28	6,2
820	69,33	4,57	-0,03	3,10	0,76	3,8	1380	130,33	4,83	-0,69	2,85	-0,36	5,5
825	69,59	-	-	2,83	0,64	3,9	1385	131,17	-	-0,84	2,62	-0,47	4,7
830	69,86	4,56	0,25	3,24	0,87	-	1390	132,00	5,08	-	2,71	-0,25	-
835	70,12	-	-	2,89	0,56	3,9	1395	132,83	-	-	4,08	0,08	4,0
840	70,39	-	-	2,89	0,42	4,1	1400	133,67	-	-	-	-	3,4
845	70,65	-	-	2,96	0,64	4,3	1420	137,00	-	-	-	-	3,9
850	70,91	4,49	-0,03	2,98	0,50	-	1440	140,33	-	-	-	-	3,3
855	71,18	-	-	-	-	4,8	1460	143,67	-	-	-	-	5,5
860	71,44	4,19	0,21	3,06	0,44	5,3							

The SST values are smoothed with a five-point Gaussian filter.

TABLE 8b. Changes in the Planktonic Foraminifera  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  and  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ , and Summer SST Estimated by the Transfer Function DTF 166/34/4 in Core MD 84-551

Depth, cm	Age, ka	Depth, Age, $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ , $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ , SSST,				Depth, Age, $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ , $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ , SSST,	Depth, Age, $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ , $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ , SSST,	Depth, Age, $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ , $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ , SSST,	
		%	%	°C	cm	ka	%	%	°C
0	0,80	3,15	1,35	4,4	300	46,13	3,81	0,45	1,7
10	1,64	3,31	1,40	6,5	306	46,88	-	-	1,8
20	2,49	3,00	1,25	4,8	310	48,04	3,55	0,41	1,9
30	3,33	3,15	1,26	5,5	316	50,13	-	-	1,8
40	4,18	3,14	1,16	5,3	320	51,52	3,48	0,46	1,9
50	5,02	3,27	1,09	5,6	326	53,61	-	-	1,5
60	5,86	3,13	1,06	5,6	330	55,00	-	-	1,3
70	6,71	3,21	1,14	5,7	335	58,00	-	-	1,5
80	7,55	3,09	0,95	5,7	340	61,00	3,83	0,53	1,6
90	8,40	3,40	1,05	6,3	346	64,27	-	-	1,5
100	9,24	3,20	1,00	6,2	350	65,36	3,67	0,71	1,4
110	10,13	3,18	0,77	5,8	356	67,00	-	-	1,0
112	10,38	3,49	0,91	-	360	68,09	3,70	0,92	0,8
120	11,28	-	-	5,3	366	69,73	-	-	1,0
122	11,46	3,85	0,73	-	368	70,27	-	-	1,0
130	12,20	3,84	0,69	5,4	370	70,82	3,38	0,62	1,0

TABLE 8b. (continued)

Depth, cm	Age, ka	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$ , ‰	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ , ‰	SSST, °C	Depth, cm	Age, ka	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$ , ‰	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ , ‰	SSST, °C	Depth, cm	Age, ka	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$ , ‰	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ , ‰	SSST, °C
140	13,13	3,04	0,43	4,6	376	72,46	-	-	1,3	600	120,00	2,98	0,91	4,5
142	13,32	3,53	0,46	-	378	73,00	-	-	1,8	605	120,83	-	-	5,2
147	13,85	-	-	4,0	380	73,54	3,47	0,68	2,5	610	121,67	2,77	0,87	5,2
150	14,19	4,08	0,56	2,5	386	75,15	-	-	3,9	615	122,50	-	-	5,0
155	14,77	-	-	1,2	388	75,69	-	-	4,1	620	123,33	2,48	0,71	5,3
160	16,50	4,78	0,77	0,2	390	76,23	3,04	0,44	4,1	625	124,17	-	-	5,1
162	17,50	4,45	0,43	-	396	77,85	-	-	3,9	630	125,00	2,61	0,53	5,2
166	19,40	-	-	-0,1	398	78,39	-	-	4,0	635	125,68	-	-	5,5
169	20,60	-	-	0,2	400	78,92	3,53	0,58	4,0	640	126,36	2,74	0,46	5,3
170	21,00	-	-	0,6	405	80,16	-	-	4,5	645	127,05	-	-	5,7
172	21,80	4,10	0,35	-	409	80,78	-	-	3,8	650	127,73	2,81	0,49	6,1
180	25,00	-	-	0,9	410	80,94	2,86	0,58	3,3	655	129,00	-	-	6,1
182	25,31	4,25	0,54	-	420	82,50	3,14	0,66	3,0	660	130,67	3,46	0,46	5,6
190	26,54	-	-	1,2	426	83,44	-	-	3,5	665	132,33	-	-	4,8
192	26,85	4,29	0,07	-	430	84,06	3,44	0,77	3,7	670	134,00	4,21	0,64	2,9
200	28,08	4,11	0,53	1,1	437	85,26	-	-	3,6	680	137,33	3,97	0,41	1,4
202	28,39	4,17	0,49	-	440	86,04	3,54	0,75	2,9	690	140,67	4,18	0,02	0,2
210	29,62	4,06	0,65	0,7	446	87,59	-	-	1,8	700	144,00	3,64	0,19	-0,3
220	31,20	4,05	0,65	0,7	450	88,63	3,65	0,72	1,1	710	147,33	3,57	-0,15	0,0
230	33,20	3,82	0,75	0,7	456	90,19	-	-	0,8	712	148,00	4,46	0,02	-
240	35,20	3,68	0,75	0,9	460	91,22	3,60	0,83	1,3	720	150,67	4,04	-0,03	0,5
250	37,57	4,00	0,67	0,9	466	92,78	-	-	1,7	730	154,00	3,95	-0,02	0,8
260	40,17	3,51	0,48	0,7	470	93,82	3,38	0,93	1,9	740	157,33	3,93	0,08	0,6
270	42,38	3,78	0,71	0,4	476	95,37	-	-	1,9	750	160,67	-	-	0,6
280	43,63	3,83	0,45	0,5	480	96,41	3,34	0,82	2,1	752	161,33	3,64	0,35	-
286	44,38	-	-	0,7	486	97,96	-	-	2,0	760	164,00	-	-	0,2
290	44,88	3,86	0,49	1,3	489	98,74	-	-	2,1	762	164,67	3,46	0,30	-
296	45,63	-	-	1,6	490	99,00	-	-	2,1					

The SST values are smoothed with a five-point Gaussian filter.

explained by a shift between the polar and subpolar floral assemblages. Indeed, a significant fraction of species associated with sea ice (epontic species - see factor 2 comments) appears during the cold events of isotopic stages 5, 3, and 2 (Figure 12). Change in the flora during interglacial time (particularly during isotopic stages 5.5, 5.1, and Holocene) is marked by an increase in the relative percentages of subantarctic species (as *T. nitzschiooides* /1).

The estimated summer SST is not significantly different from results obtained with the earlier transfer function (DTF 28/33/3) which was defined for the southern ocean by Pichon et al. [1987]. However, communality was systematically lower ( $\approx 0.75$ ) during glacials in the previous study. The effects of silica dissolution before burial, which are taken into account by the new DTF 166/34/4, imposed therefore only minor limitations on the reliability of the main modern biogeographic assemblages. Analogues of the increased preponderance during glacials of dissolution-

resistant species (as *T. lentiginosa* /6 and winter stages of *E. antarctica* /18) can only be found within samples artificially dissolved in the laboratory, independently of their geographic origin.

We have seen that the modern hydrological conditions at the site of core MD 84-527 correspond to a strong temperature inversion between 30 and 70 m depth. The SST estimated by the DTF for the core top, around  $+7^\circ\text{C}$ , is compatible with a mean depth of development of 20 m, and more probably with growth within the upper 30 m.

For core MD 84-551, the core top SST derived from the diatom flora appears too warm by about  $2.5^\circ\text{C}$  ( $+4.5^\circ\text{C}$ , compared with  $+2^\circ\text{C}$  in the atlases of Gordon and Molinelli [1982] and Levitus [1982]). This error is attributed to the presence, in low amounts ( $\approx 0.3\%$ ), of the Subantarctic diatom *T. nitzschiooides* /1. Tests done without taking into account that species lower the temperature estimate to  $+2.5^\circ\text{C}$ . A small contribution, by coring disturbance of the core top, from the subsurface high abundance

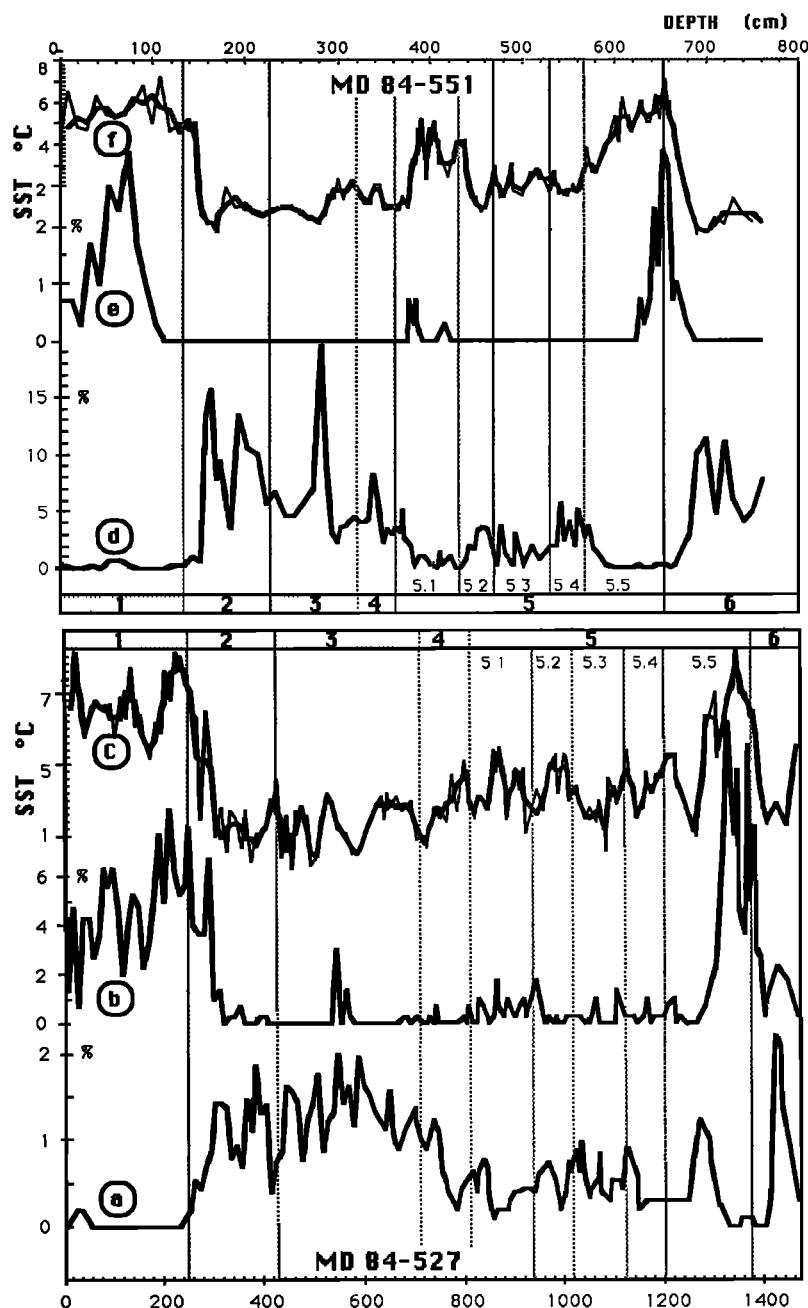


Fig. 12. Distribution with depth and Emiliani's stages in cores MD 84-527 ( $44^{\circ}$  S,  $51^{\circ}$  E; 3,262 m depth) and MD 84-551 ( $55^{\circ}$  S,  $73^{\circ}$  E; 1,504 m depth) of (a) sum of relative abundance of 4 species associated with sea ice (*Nitzschia curta* /31, *Actinocyclus actinochilus* /28, *Nitzschia sublineata* /34, *Nitzschia cylindrus* /22) in core MD 84-527; (b) relative abundance (in percent) of Subantarctic species *T. nitzchioides*/1 in core MD 84-527; (c) diatom summer SST in core MD 84-527; (d) sum of relative abundance (in percent) of four species associated with sea ice (*Nitzschia curta* /31, *Actinocyclus actinochilus* /28, *Nitzschia sublineata* /34, *Nitzschia cylindrus* /22) in core MD 84-551; (e) relative abundance (in percent) of Subantarctic species *T. nitzchioides*/1 for core MD 84-551; (f) diatom summer SST in core MD 84-551.

TABLE 9. Age-Depth Relationships

MD 84-527 Sediment Core		MD 84-551 Sediment Core		Vostok Ice Core		
Depth, cm	Age, ka	Depth, cm	Age, ka	Depth, m	"Ice" Age, ka	"Ocean" Age, ka
0	1*	0	0.8	28	00	01
60	4*	109	10	244	09	10
100	6*	117	11*	295	11	12
180	8*	144	13.5*	370	16	15
225	9.5*	157	15	553	31	24
280	11.5*	165	19	696	42	42
300	15*	180	25	759	47	50
324	25*	219	31	844	53	59
358	28*	244	36	1117	76	73
440	31*	267	42	1202	82	85
562	43	307	47	1281	88	93
670	54	330	55	1369	95	101
765	60	345	64	1502	107	110
810	68.8	378	73	1599	116	116
880	72.5	404	80	1687	123	123
930	83.5	436	85	1857	135	129
950	86.2	517	106	1940	143	138
1000	92.7	554	114			
1044	95.5	600	120			
1081	104	630	125			
1120	107	652	128			
1180	111	670	134			
1200	116	750	155			
1222	118.8					
1307	119					
1324	121					
1354	126					
1384	130					
1390	134					

The starred ages for core MD 84-527 are derived from AMS dated planktic Foraminifera [Labracherie et al., 1989].

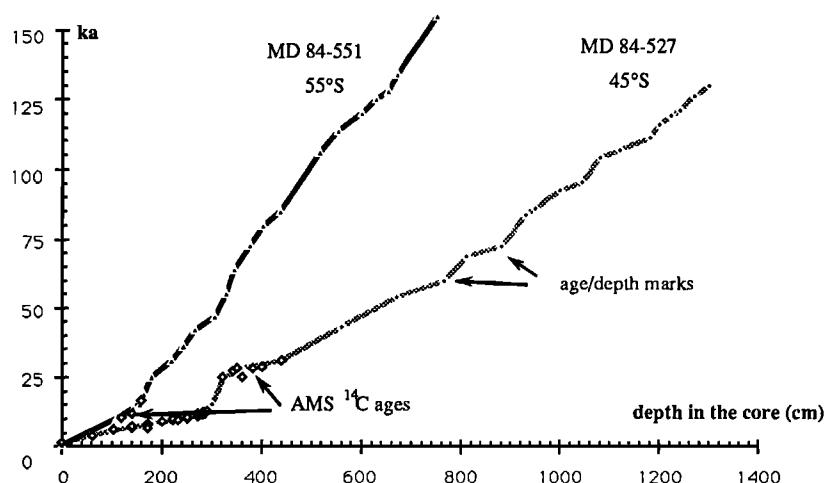


Fig. 13. Age versus depth relationships for cores MD 84-527 and MD 84-551.

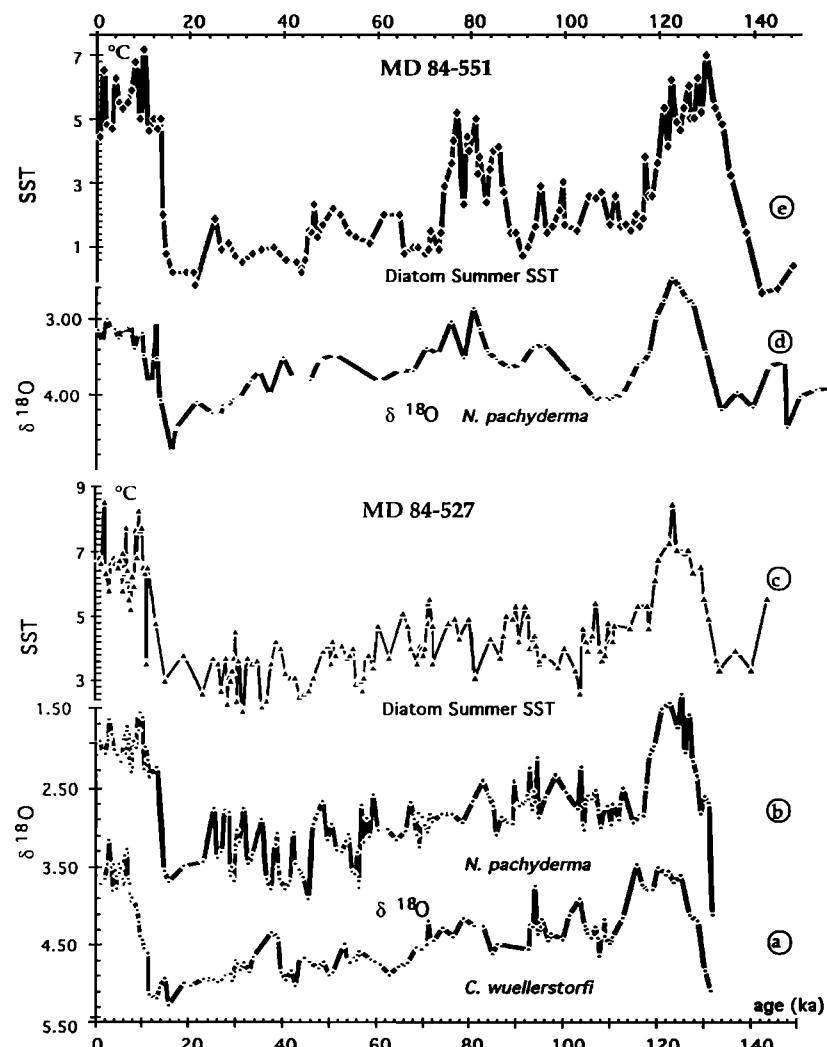


Fig. 14. Distribution versus calculated ages in the cores MD 84-527 ( $44^{\circ}$  S,  $51^{\circ}$  E; 3,262 m depth) and MD 84-551 ( $55^{\circ}$  S,  $73^{\circ}$  E; 1,504 m depth) of (a)  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  of the benthic foraminifera *Cibicides wuellerstorffii* in core MD 84-527; (b)  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  of *N. pachyderma* s. in core MD 84-527; (c) diatom summer SST in core MD 84-527; (d)  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  of *N. pachyderma* s. in core MD 84-551; (e) diatom summer SST in core MD 84-551.

peak of *T. nitzschioides* /1 (Figure 12e) would explain the difference.

For the LGM period, the SST estimates derived from the DTF and from the *N. pachyderma* s.  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  are similar: +3°C at the location of cores MD 73-025 and MD 84-527 for both  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  and DTF, and +0.2°C ( $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ ) /+0.8°C (DTF) at 160 cm in core MD 84-551 (Table 8b). This comparison, although limited, gives us some confidence in the quality of the estimates.

If we consider now the shape of the DTF SST records from both cores through the whole glacial/interglacial period (Figure 11 and 12), significant differences appear even if changes in

sedimentation rates are taken in consideration. The record from Subantarctic core MD 84-527 is similar to the published SST record of subtropical core RC 11-120 [Hays et al., 1976b], with an early cooling at the end of substages 5.5, and apparently real pseudo-periodic oscillations of high frequency over a generally cold period that covers the whole of isotopic stages 5.4 to 2. The higher latitude core MD 84-551 shows a relatively warm event during isotope substages 5.1. In both cores, the cool episodes are in phase with the high *N. pachyderma* s.  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  events and the large relative amounts of sea ice diatoms (Figure 12).

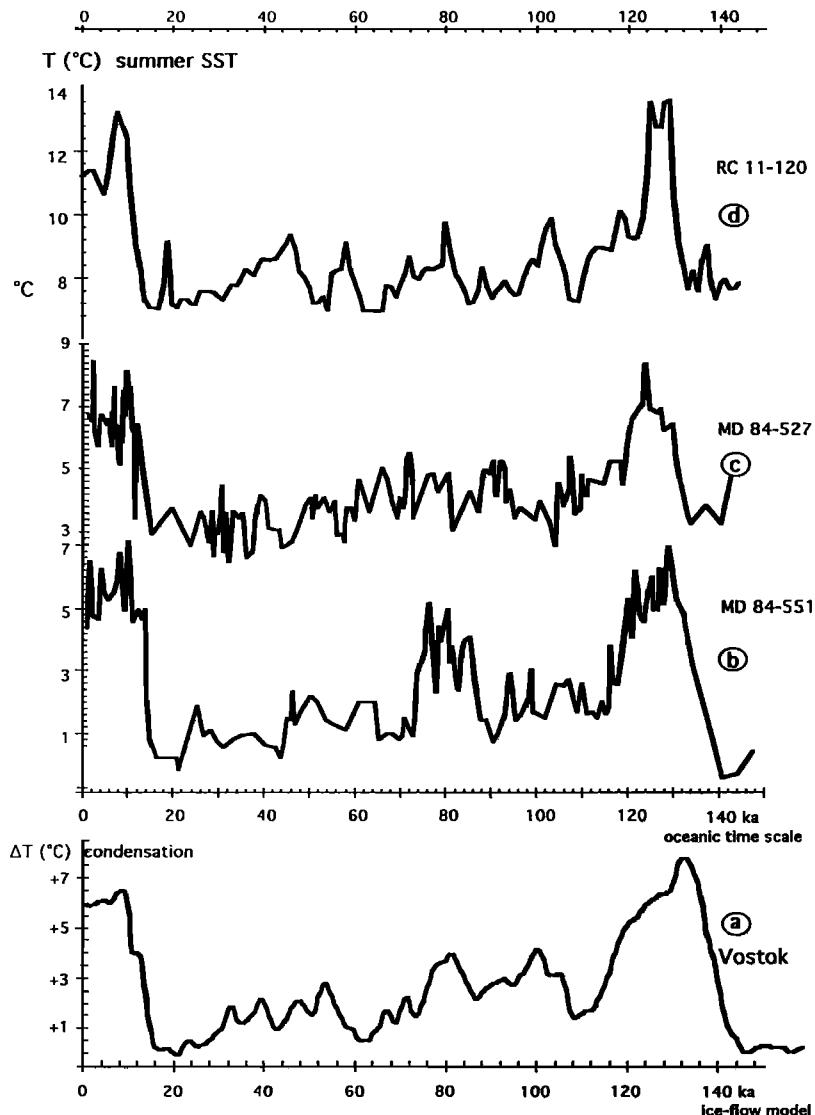


Fig. 15. Comparison between SST changes of southern ocean and air temperature over Antarctica: (a) Variation with depth of Vostok temperature derived from stable-isotope measurements [from Jouzel et al., 1987], reported in the time scale derived from ice flow model. (b) Variation of estimated summer SST in core MD 84-551; (c) variation of estimated summer SST in core MD 84-527; (d) variation of estimated summer SST in core RC 11-120 [from Martinson et al., 1987]. Cores MD 84-527 and MD 84-551 are reported in the "oceanic" time scale constructed in the present work.

#### Chronostratigraphic Scale

To allow for a more detailed discussion of the signals and their comparison with other records, a chronostratigraphic scale was constructed. Carbon 14 dating of *N. pachyderma* s. and *Globigerina bulloides*, obtained by accelerator mass spectrometry, is available for the top 4.4 m of core MD 84-527, and three levels within the upper part of core MD 84-551 [Labracherie et al., 1989]. The  $^{14}\text{C}$  ages are corrected by -480 years to take into account

the present apparent surface water age at 45°S [Bard et al 1989]. The benthic  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  analyses of core MD 84-527 has been used to define the chronological markers below 4 m, by detailed comparison with the benthic foraminifera  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  record of the Pacific Ocean core V 19-30 [Shackleton and Pisias, 1985]. This core is itself well constrained within the SPECMAP time scale [Martinson et al., 1987].

Large changes in sedimentation rates result from fluctuations of the diatom opal fluxes, with a decrease to < 2 cm/kyr during the Last Glacial

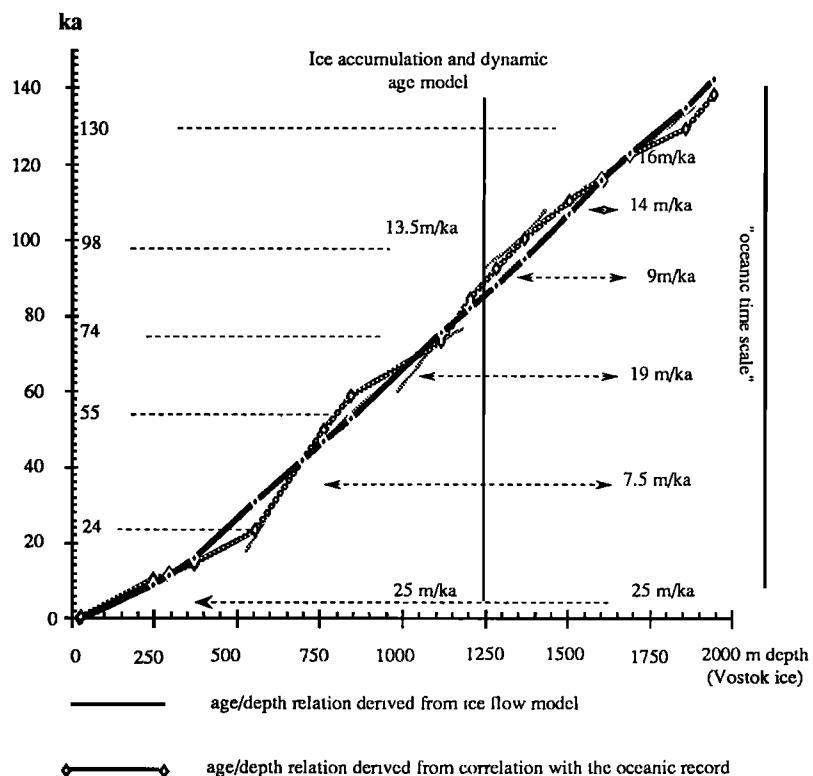


Fig. 16. Age-depth relations built using correlative structure between temperature profiles from the MD 84-551 (with the "oceanic" time scale developed in the present paper) and the Vostok ice core.

Maximum, and increases to > 30 cm/Kkyr during interglacials. But a comparison of the benthic  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  and  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  signals in core MD 84-527 with available high resolution benthic records does not show any evidence of a hiatus. In contrast, in the lower part of the record (between 1222 and 1306 cm), the middle of stage 5.5 is apparently over-explained by a layer of pure diatom ooze, 84 cm thick. This layer was subtracted prior to the age calibration.

The comparison between cores MD 84-527 and MD 84-551 was done with available isotopic ( $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  and  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ ) and SST data, for maximum coherency between the reconstructed records. The general correspondance is given by the *N. pachyderma*  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  signal [Labeyrie and Duplessy, 1985]. The proposed chronostratigraphical pointers are reported in Table 9 and Figure 13. They take into account the systematic lead of the planktic foraminifera  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  versus the benthic records in core MD 84-527 (by 4 to 5 ka) at each of the transitions between stages 6/5.5, 5.5/5.4, and 2/1. Correlations within substages of stage 3 and 5, especially for core MD 84-551, are tentative. There is no published reference for the internal structure of these periods at

high southern latitudes that could help us to specify the time scale. The sedimentation rate is assumed to be constant where constraints are absent. The SST and  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  records are reported versus. age for both cores in Table 8a and 8b, and Figure 14.

#### *Comparison Between the Ocean SST Records and the Vostok Air-Temperature Record*

*The Vostok record.* The Vostok air-temperature record [Lorius et al., 1985; Jouzel et al., 1987; Lorius et al., 1990] is the only published continuous temperature record available for more than one climatic cycle in high southern latitudes. Strong climatic connections should exist between the Antarctic and the surrounding waters, as both latent and sensible heat transports to the ice sheet are directly dependent upon the distribution of surface water temperature over the southern ocean. We present in increasing latitudinal order, the estimated temperature changes of cores RC 11-120 (a Subtropical temperature record published by Hays et al. [1976a] and Martinson et al. [1987]), MD 84-527, MD 84-551, and Vostok (Figure 15). We used for the Vostok ice record the changes in air temperature estimated just above the inversion layer

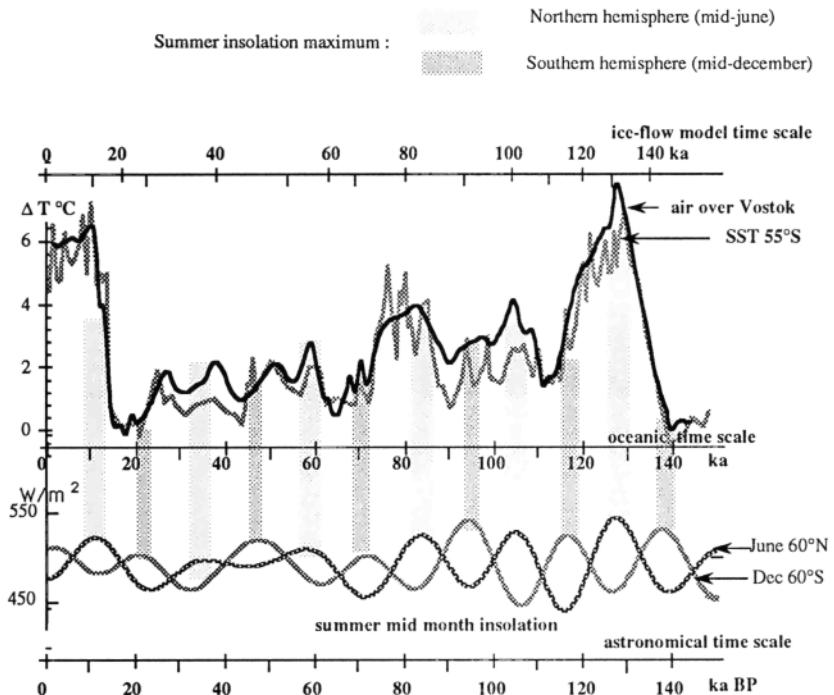


Fig. 17. Comparison between summer SST estimates of core MD 84-551 ( $55^{\circ}$  S) and Vostok changes in Vostok air temperature (at the inversion layer). Both the "oceanic" time scale (linear) and the ice flow model time scale (no linear) are reported in abscissa. The summer insolation (mid-June for  $60^{\circ}$ N and mid-December for  $60^{\circ}$ S) is reported in the astronomical time scale, following Berger [1978] and Berger and Loutre [1991].

and the time-scale derived from an ice flow model [Lorius et al., 1990].

Broad similarities can be seen among the four records. The MD 84-551 and Vostok temperature records are remarkably similar. They may be correlated in detail, to allow direct comparison of the records in the same time scale. The resulting age-depth relationship is given in Table 9 and Figure 16. We have reported also the age-depth relation derived from the ice flow model [Lorius et al., 1985]. Differences of 3-6 Ky between the time-scales derived from the ice-flow model and the ocean records appear around 30, 50, 95, and 135 ka. This is because the oceanic time-scale predicts relatively large changes in ice accumulation rate (by a factor 3) between warm and cold episodes.

With the proposed time scales, the signals of core MD 84-551 and Vostok are well correlated ( $r^2 = 0.86$ ), with a regression line of slope 1 over the whole record (Figure 17). Minor adjustments over the complete records, using the Martinson [1982] mapping method, increase  $r^2$  to 0.96 with 15 coefficients in the mapping function. However, the time scale of core MD 84-551 is not precise enough to exploit these detailed adjustments.

**Discussion** The Vostok temperature signal which is derived from the ice flow model [Lorius et al., 1985] is not compatible with the oceanic time scale,

in particular for the last interglacial [Martinson, 1987]. Jouzel et al. [1987] have discussed this problem in detail. The question is especially important not only to resolve leads and lags between the atmosphere and ocean changes but also for understanding the links between northern and southern hemisphere climates. Part of the discrepancy may be attributed to real differences in the timing of the climatic changes. CLIMAP Project Members [1984] has described the early warming and cooling of the surface water around isotopic stage 5.5. The measurements done in core MD 84-527 confirm that southern ocean led the surface water warming by about 3-5 k.y., and the initiation of the cooling by ~ 5 k.y. (compared to the benthic foraminifera signal). Similar phase difference appeared at the isotopic transitions 5/4 and 2/1 (Figure 14).

However, the lead of the surface water temperature changes does not explain all the differences between the Vostok and the ocean chronostratigraphy. We also must introduce significant changes in ice accumulation rate over the Antarctic to fit both temperature records within the oceanic time-scale. The corrections proposed are larger than the uncertainties of the oceanic time scale only for the better constrained part of the MD 84-551 record (isotopic stage 5.5). They stay within those of the ice flow model [Lorius et al., 1985; Jouzel et al.,

1987]. The general validity of the ice flow model is thus supported by the data. Yet it is possible, if the proposed correlations are taken at face value, that the changes in ice accumulation rate between warm and cold intervals may have been larger than estimated. Adjustments of the Vostok record in the same direction were also suggested by Petit et al. [1990] to fit the glacial increase in dust content of the Vostok ice core with other dust records from different ocean cores and with the China loess record of Kukla [1987].

As already observed by Lorius et al. [1985] and discussed in detail by Lorius et al. [1990], the air temperature changes over Vostok appear well in phase with the summer insolation at high northern latitudes (Figure 17). Core MD 84-551, at 55°S, shows similar characteristics for both summer SST and *N. pachyderma*  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ . We have run a Blackman-Tuckey cross spectral analysis of these parameters and the mid-summer insolation at 60° North and South latitude [Berger and Loutre, 1991]. The maximum spectral power corresponds to 23 kyr/cycle, with a smaller component at 44 kyr/cycle for both parameters. The  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  variability shows a higher coherence with the northern hemisphere than the southern hemisphere summer insolation in both frequency bands (0.95 and 0.92, compared with 0.86 and 0.72, respectively for 23 and 44 kyr/cycle). SST and insolation have a lower coherency, but with no special response to the southern insolation (0.72 for 23 kyr/cycle with the summer insolation at 60°N, and 0.55 at 60°S). This implies therefore that the long term climatic variability of the southern hemisphere is responding directly to the early evolution of the northern ice sheets, and its links with earth albedo, deep ocean circulation and green house gas content in the atmosphere, as found by CLIMAP Project Members [1984] for the last interglacial period, and reviewed by Lorius et al. [1990]. The southern insolation influence, although qualitatively apparent in Figure 17 is not demonstrated on simple statistical grounds.

These results do not preclude the possibility that SST are influenced locally by the changes in southern summer insolation, which may drive part of the sea ice distribution. This would explain the peculiar high frequency structure of the SST and planktonic foraminifera  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  in our southern ocean cores, both northern and southern influences being opposed in phase for precession cycle (Figure 14).

The glacial-interglacial range of temperature, 6°C, is analogous to what Broecker and Denton [1989] estimated for global high latitude changes. However, the apparent linear response of the changes in air temperature over the Vostok site to the southern ocean summer SST (with a slope = 1) emphasizes the simple links that exist between Antarctic and southern ocean climatologies.

## CONCLUSIONS

A diatom transfer function, which estimates sea surface temperatures with a precision of  $\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$  in the temperature range  $-1^\circ$  to  $+10^\circ\text{C}$ , has been developed for the southern ocean. The effect of dissolution before burial [Pichon et al., 1992] was minimized by adding to the reference assemblages a set of surface samples representative of the range of SST and partially dissolved under laboratory control. This allowed the definition of a variance factor independent of sea surface temperature that correlates well with the measured amount of silica dissolution. As the multiple regression varimax method isolates orthogonal factors, the newly constructed temperature DTF 166/34/4 is, by definition, independent of dissolution. Application of this transfer function over the last climatic cycle in two sediment cores with post deposition silica loss <20% give results not significantly different, apart from an increased communality, from a transfer function built without taking into account dissolution (DTF 28/33/3) [Pichon et al., 1987]. However, differences become significant for larger silica losses. DTF 166/34/4 still appears to be valid with silica losses in the 50-70% range.

The time-scale of the reconstructed paleotemperature records was established by referring the benthic  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  record of Subantarctic core MD 84-527 (43°S) to the ocean isotopic time scale [Shackleton and Pisias, 1985; Martinson et al., 1987]. Detailed correlations between the paleoclimatological indicators of MD 84-527 and Antarctic core MD 84-551 (55°S) provide the framework for a high-resolution deep-sea chronology. The resulting lead in planktonic foraminifera  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  and SST, when compared with the "global" benthic  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  signal, is of the order of 4 k.y. for the warming during the 6/5.5 and 2/1 transitions, and 5 to 6 k.y. for the cooling at the 5.5/5.4 transition. This early cooling is in fact one of the major characteristics of the southern ocean climatic and isotopic records. The correlation between summer SST changes of the southern waters at 55°S and air temperature over Antarctica at Vostok offers the opportunity of a test of the validity of the ice accumulation and flow models. It suggests the possibility that major changes in ice accumulation rates occurred between cold and warm episodes. This study opens the possibility of detailed comparisons between the ocean records and the Vostok ice core in terms of global climatology.

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