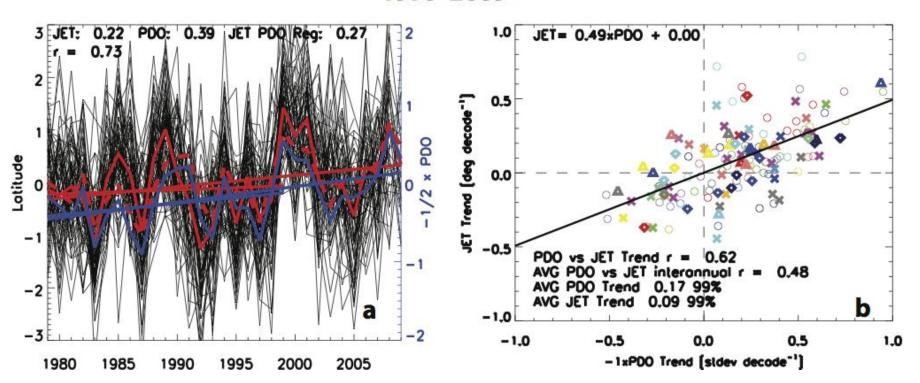




1979-2009



1979-2009 NH tropical expansion and the Pacific Decadal Oscillation. (A) Annual mean latitude anomaly of the NH tropical boundary based on the JET metric for the AMIP simulations (black) versus the time series of -1/2xPDO (purple). The AMIP ensemble mean is in red, with the red dashed line showing the JET estimated from the PDO regression coefficient. (B) Scatterplot of the 1979-2009 JET trend versus -1xPDO trend for 20th century all forcing experiments. Positive -1xPDO trends correspond to widening of the tropical belt.