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- **Dataset\_Info**:
  - Dataset\_ID\*: TAO170W\_0N\_Jun2009\_Dec2009
  - **Submission\_Dates**:
    - Initial\_Submission: 20101028 (YYYYMMDD)
    - Revised\_Submission: 20130827 (YYYYMMDD)
- **Cruise\_Info**:
  - **Experiment**:
    - Experiment\_Name\*:
    - **Cruise**: ( - )
      - Cruise\_ID: (EXPOCODE)
      - Section: (Leg)
      - **Geographical\_Coverage**:
        - Geographical\_Region:
        - **Bounds**:
          - Westernmost\_Longitude:  
Enter decimal fractions of degrees:  
or Degrees, Minutes, Seconds:
          - Easternmost\_Longitude:  
Enter decimal fractions of degrees: -170.06 (+ = E, - = W)  
or Degrees, Minutes, Seconds:
          - Northernmost\_Latitude:  
Enter decimal fractions of degrees: -0.04 (+ = N, - = S)
          - Southernmost\_Latitude:  
Enter decimal fractions of degrees:
    - **Temporal\_Coverage**:
      - Start\_Date: 20090602 (YYYYMMDD)
      - End\_Date: 20091212 (YYYYMMDD)
- **Vessel**: Mooring platform
  - Vessel\_Name:
  - Vessel\_ID:
  - Country:
  - Vessel\_Owner:
- **Variables\_Info**:
  - **Variable**:
    - Variable\_Name and Description\*:
- xCO<sub>2</sub> SW (wet) (umol/mol) - Mole fraction of CO<sub>2</sub> in air in equilibrium with the seawater at sea surface temperature and measured humidity.
- CO<sub>2</sub> SW QF – Quality Flag for xCO<sub>2</sub> SW (wet).
- H<sub>2</sub>O SW (mmol/mol) - Mole fraction of H<sub>2</sub>O in air from equilibrator .
- xCO<sub>2</sub> Air (wet) (umol/mol) - Mole fraction of CO<sub>2</sub> in air from airblock, 4 feet above the sea surface at measured humidity.
- CO<sub>2</sub> Air QF – Quality Flag for xCO<sub>2</sub> Air (wet)
- H<sub>2</sub>O Air (mmol/mol) - Mole fraction of H<sub>2</sub>O in air from airblock, 4 feet above the sea surface.

- Licor Atm Pressure (hPa) – Atmospheric pressure at the airblock, 4 feet above the sea surface
- Licor Temp (C) – Temperature of the Infrared Licor 820 in degrees Celsius
- % O<sub>2</sub> - The percent oxygen of the surface seawater divided by the percent oxygen of the atmosphere at 4 feet above the sea surface. Disclaimer: The oxygen measurement is made in the equilibrated air. We have found that the oxygen does not come to complete equilibrium so any rapid changes in oxygen do not get properly captured using this system. Therefore, we tend to use the oxygen data only as a qualitative sense of the biology. It is not a quantitative measure.
- SST (C) - Sea Surface Temperature collected by NOAA/PMEL/TAO provide internally recorded SST data at 10 minute resolution. The sea surface temperature collected during the equilibration period is reported in this dataset. NOAA/PMEL/TAO advises to check the TAO site at the time of use for the most accurate data available.
- Salinity - Sea Surface Salinity collected by NOAA/PMEL/TAO. Papa records conductivity data at 10 minute intervals and then computes hourly averaged salinity during post-processing. Daily data was only available at time of CO<sub>2</sub> QC. NOAA/PMEL/TAO advises to check the TAO site at the time of use for the most accurate data available.
- xCO<sub>2</sub> SW (dry) (umol/mol) – Mole fraction of CO<sub>2</sub> in air in equilibrium with the seawater at sea surface temperature (dry air).
- xCO<sub>2</sub> Air (dry) (umol/mol) – Mole fraction of CO<sub>2</sub> in air at the airblock, 4 feet above the sea surface (dry air).
- fCO<sub>2</sub> SW (sat) uatm – Fugacity of CO<sub>2</sub> in air in equilibrium with the seawater at sea surface temperature (100% humidity). Since the measurements are taken at the sea surface, warming calculations are not necessary.
- fCO<sub>2</sub> Air (sat) uatm – Fugacity of CO<sub>2</sub> in air at the airblock, 4 feet above the sea surface (100% humidity).
- dfCO<sub>2</sub> – Difference of the fugacity of the CO<sub>2</sub> in seawater and the fugacity of the CO<sub>2</sub> in air (fCO<sub>2</sub> SW - fCO<sub>2</sub> Air).

- **Method\_Description:**\*

- **Equilibrator\_Design:**

- Equilibrator\_Type: (show pick list) Bubble Equilibrator
    - Equilibrator\_Volume: (L) N/A
    - Water\_Flow\_Rate: (L/min) N/A
    - Headspace\_Gas\_Flow\_Rate: (L/min) ~600 cc/min
    - Vented: (show pick list) Yes

- Measurement\_Method: Absolute, non-dispersive infrared (NDIR) gas analyzer

- Manufacturer\_of\_Calibration\_Gas: NOAA Earth System Research Laboratory (ESRL)

- **CO<sub>2</sub>\_Sensors:**

- **CO<sub>2</sub>\_Sensor:**

- Manufacturer: Licor
      - Model: Environmental\_Control: LI-820
      - Resolution: 0.01 ppm
      - Uncertainty: < 2.5% of reading with 14 cm bench (stated)  
<1.5 ppm determined in lab
    - CO<sub>2</sub>\_Sensor\_Calibration: (For each calibration gas, document traceability to an internationally recognized scale, including date and place of last calibration. Include uncertainty of assigned value.)

At the beginning of each sample, the instrument self-calibrates using a zero and high standard. The zero standard is generated by cycling a small amount of air through a soda lime chamber. The high standard is from a cylinder of calibrated standard reference gas, 524.28 umol/mol, from ESRL. ESRL

standards are traceable to WMO x93 scale with a stated reproducibility of 0.06 micromole/mole.

- **Other\_Sensors:**
  - Manufacturer: Oxygen Sensor
  - Model: Maxtec
  - Resolution: Max-250
  - Uncertainty: 0.01 %  
± 2.0% Full Scale over operating temperature range  
± 1.0% Full Scale @ constant temperature and pressure
  - Calibration: (For each sensor of pressure, temperature, and salinity, document traceability to an internationally recognized scale, including date and place of last calibration.)  
Factory calibrated before purchase. Recalibrated to sea level atmospheric air every 7 days.
- **Other\_Sensors:**
  - Manufacturer: Humidity Sensor
  - Model: Sensirion
  - Resolution: SHT71
  - Uncertainty: 0.01 %  
Measurement range: 0-100% RH  
Absolute RH accuracy: +/- 3% RH (20-80% RH)  
Repeatability RH: +/- 0.1% RH
  - Calibration: (For each sensor of pressure, temperature, and salinity, document traceability to an internationally recognized scale, including date and place of last calibration.)  
Factory calibrated before purchase.
- Method\_References: (Publication(s) describing method)

Sabine, C. (2005): High-resolution ocean and atmosphere pCO<sub>2</sub> time-series measurements. The State of the Ocean and the Ocean Observing System for Climate, Annual Report, Fiscal Year 2004, NOAA/OGP/Office of Climate Observation, Section 3.32a, 246–253.

- Additional Information

- All measurements are at sea surface temperature and atmospheric pressure.
- During the equilibration cycle, a closed loop of air equilibrates with seawater for 10 minutes. Once the equilibration period is complete, the pump stops and the system opens to the atmosphere allowing the pressure to equilibrate with atmospheric pressure. Measurements are recorded for 30 seconds at 2 hertz and then averaged.
- During the air cycle, fresh air is pumped through the detector for 1 minute. Once the pump stops, the system opens to the atmosphere allowing the pressure to equilibrate with atmospheric pressure. Measurements are recorded for 30 seconds at 2 hertz and then averaged.
- The gas streams for both the air cycle and equilibrator cycle are partially dried before entering the detector. The values listed as wet xCO<sub>2</sub> generally have relative humidity levels ranging from 40 to 80 percent. The humidity levels increase over the course of a deployment.
- Sampling occurs every 3 hours. The infrared detector is calibrated at the beginning of every sampling period. Averaged data and standard deviations for each measurement are transmitted back daily.
- To calculate the dry measurements, the water mole fraction in the Licor detector must be known. A relative humidity sensor is located immediately downstream of the detector.
- As part of the QC process, each data set is compared with the Marine Boundary Layer (MBL) data from GlobalView-CO<sub>2</sub>. The CO<sub>2</sub> air data from this deployment, Jun 2009 to Dec 2009, were  $-5.2 \pm 0.9$  umol/mol on

average of the MBL data and similarly offset from the CO<sub>2</sub> systems deployed before and after this deployment. Therefore a correction of +5 umol/mol was applied to the CO<sub>2</sub> (wet) data.

GLOBALVIEW-CO<sub>2</sub>: Cooperative Atmospheric Data Integration Project - Carbon Dioxide. CD-ROM, NOAA ESRL, Boulder, Colorado [Also available on Internet via anonymous FTP to ftp.cmdl.noaa.gov, Path: ccg/co2/GLOBALVIEW], 2010

- During the QC process, an adjustment to the Licor pressure is also made based on each sensor's bias to barometric pressure as measured in the lab. For this system, the Licor pressure was adjusted by -0.01 kPa.

- The system did not update the new standard reference gas concentration between deployments, so a -9.29 umol/mol correction was applied to the CO<sub>2</sub> (wet) data to compensate for the difference in the span value used by the system (533.57) and the actual span value (524.28).

- No data = -9.999 or -999

- Data\_set\_References: (Publication(s) describing data set) None
- Citation: (How to cite this data set) Sutton, A., C. Sabine, and S. Maenner. 2009. High-resolution ocean and atmosphere pCO<sub>2</sub> time-series measurements from mooring TAO 0°, 170°W.

• **Data\_Set\_Link:**

- URL\*: [http://www.pmel.noaa.gov/co2/moorings/eq\\_pco2/eq\\_pco2.htm](http://www.pmel.noaa.gov/co2/moorings/eq_pco2/eq_pco2.htm)
- Label\*: PMEL CO<sub>2</sub> Group – TAO170W mooring

- Link\_Note: (Optional instructions or remarks)(m s t)

Quality Flags definitions:

- 2 = Acceptable measurement;
- 3 = Questionable measurement;
- 4 = Bad measurement
- 5 = Not reported;
- 9 = Sample not drawn for this measurement from this bottle.

**Quality Flag Log for this dataset.**

Date	Measurement	Value (Dry)	Flag	Comments
6/4/2009 0:17	xCO <sub>2</sub> _SW	490.2116802	3	CO <sub>2</sub> data submitted was adjusted by - 4 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
6/4/2009 0:17	xCO <sub>2</sub> _Air	392.9734356	3	CO <sub>2</sub> data submitted was adjusted by - 4 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
6/6/2009 21:17	xCO <sub>2</sub> _SW	476.791857	3	CO <sub>2</sub> data submitted was adjusted by + 5 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
6/6/2009 21:17	xCO <sub>2</sub> _Air	382.6195267	3	CO <sub>2</sub> data submitted was adjusted by + 5 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
6/30/2009 21:17	xCO <sub>2</sub> _Air	383.5418161	4	bad CO <sub>2</sub> air data
7/12/2009 9:17	xCO <sub>2</sub> _SW	471.2543565	3	CO <sub>2</sub> data submitted was adjusted by - 5 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
7/12/2009 9:17	xCO <sub>2</sub> _Air	393.2726869	3	CO <sub>2</sub> data submitted was adjusted by - 5 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
7/21/2009 18:17	xCO <sub>2</sub> _SW	479.3664278	3	CO <sub>2</sub> data submitted was adjusted by + 4 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature

7/21/2009 18:17	xCO2_Air	382.1871006	3	CO2 data submitted was adjusted by + 4 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
8/6/2009 21:17	xCO2_SW	472.7087642	3	CO2 data submitted was adjusted by + 4 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
8/6/2009 21:17	xCO2_Air	381.3994167	3	CO2 data submitted was adjusted by + 4 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
9/15/2009 18:17	xCO2_SW	477.1188709	3	CO2 data submitted was adjusted by - 5 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
9/15/2009 18:17	xCO2_Air	390.3368238	3	CO2 data submitted was adjusted by - 5 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
9/23/2009 0:17	xCO2_SW	497.9053313	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/23/2009 3:17	xCO2_SW	488.9454216	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/23/2009 6:17	xCO2_SW	517.6830254	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/23/2009 9:17	xCO2_SW	496.2406155	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/23/2009 12:17	xCO2_SW	497.8726479	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/23/2009 15:17	xCO2_SW	512.1965987	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/23/2009 18:17	xCO2_SW	536.308318	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/23/2009 21:17	xCO2_SW	536.3569892	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/24/2009 0:17	xCO2_SW	542.6218754	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/24/2009 3:17	xCO2_SW	561.0560988	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/24/2009 6:17	xCO2_SW	551.4959224	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/24/2009 9:17	xCO2_SW	551.4646147	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/24/2009 12:17	xCO2_SW	528.5793987	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/24/2009 15:17	xCO2_SW	517.6239634	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/24/2009 18:17	xCO2_SW	540.4174427	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/24/2009 21:17	xCO2_SW	524.2858339	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/25/2009 0:17	xCO2_SW	546.2503293	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/25/2009 3:17	xCO2_SW	568.458065	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/25/2009 6:17	xCO2_SW	546.4870344	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/25/2009 9:17	xCO2_SW	509.9509928	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/25/2009 9:17	xCO2_Air	381.2326405	3	CO2 data submitted was adjusted by + 5 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
9/25/2009 12:17	xCO2_SW	507.985102	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/25/2009 15:17	xCO2_SW	480.5559892	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/25/2009 18:17	xCO2_SW	490.6071674	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement

9/25/2009 21:17	xCO2_SW	490.8137814	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/26/2009 0:17	xCO2_SW	517.1201001	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
9/26/2009 3:17	xCO2_SW	490.0686206	4	bad measurement due to change in equil pump pressure - 300m and 500m pressures show buoy movement
10/19/2009 21:17	xCO2_Air	378.7061263	4	bad CO2 air data
10/20/2009 0:17	xCO2_SW	490.2894138	3	CO2 data submitted was adjusted by + 7 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
10/20/2009 0:17	xCO2_Air	377.7857945	3	CO2 data submitted was adjusted by + 7 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
10/20/2009 6:17	xCO2_SW	493.3315933	3	CO2 data submitted was adjusted by - 8 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
10/20/2009 6:17	xCO2_Air	386.4830843	3	CO2 data submitted was adjusted by - 8 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
11/10/2009 3:17	xCO2_SW	461.4460405	3	CO2 data submitted was adjusted by + 3 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
11/10/2009 3:17	xCO2_Air	382.8460176	3	CO2 data submitted was adjusted by + 3 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
11/19/2009 21:17	xCO2_Air	380.6010143	4	bad CO2 air data
11/20/2009 0:17	xCO2_SW	475.0931272	3	CO2 data submitted was adjusted by + 6 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
11/20/2009 0:17	xCO2_Air	379.6000447	3	CO2 data submitted was adjusted by + 6 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
12/2/2009 0:17	xCO2_SW	467.3775337	3	CO2 data submitted was adjusted by + 4 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature
12/2/2009 0:17	xCO2_Air	382.0645281	3	CO2 data submitted was adjusted by + 4 ppm b/c span calibration was off as predicted by change in Licor temperature