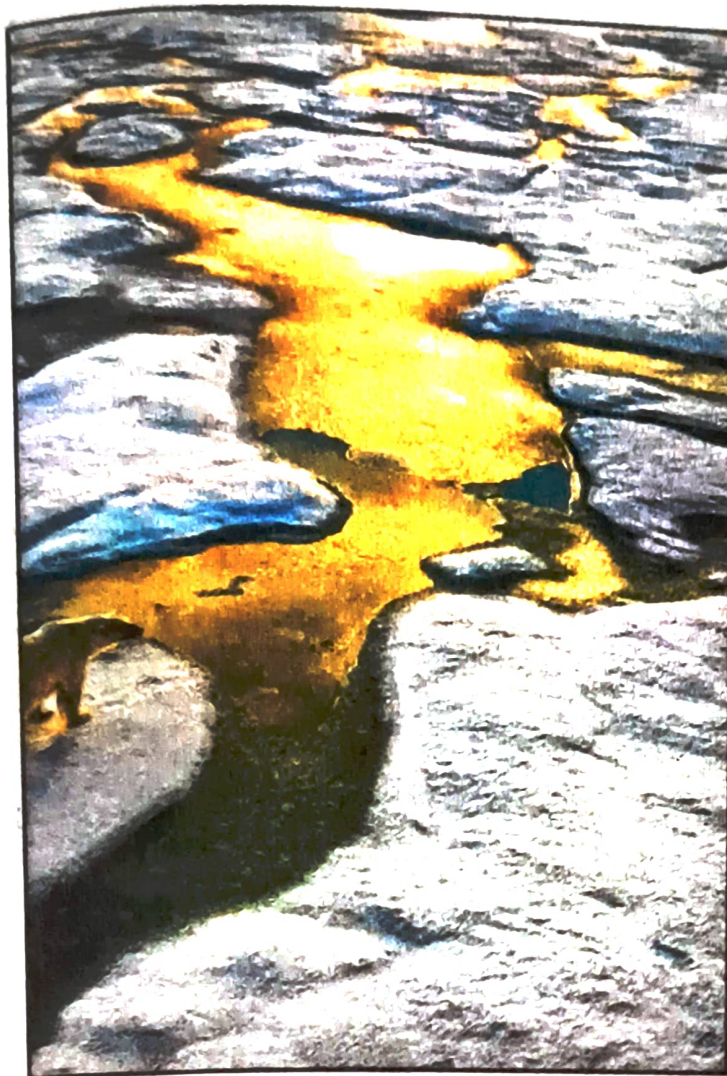




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Shifting ice

■ Arctic sea ice does not always move the way the wind predicts. New research led by the University of California, Riverside, US, suggests that a simple but overlooked process may help explain why — individual pieces of ice repeatedly collide with one another. The findings, published in *Physical Review Letters*, could eventually help scientists improve forecasts of how sea ice moves across the Arctic as the region continues to warm.