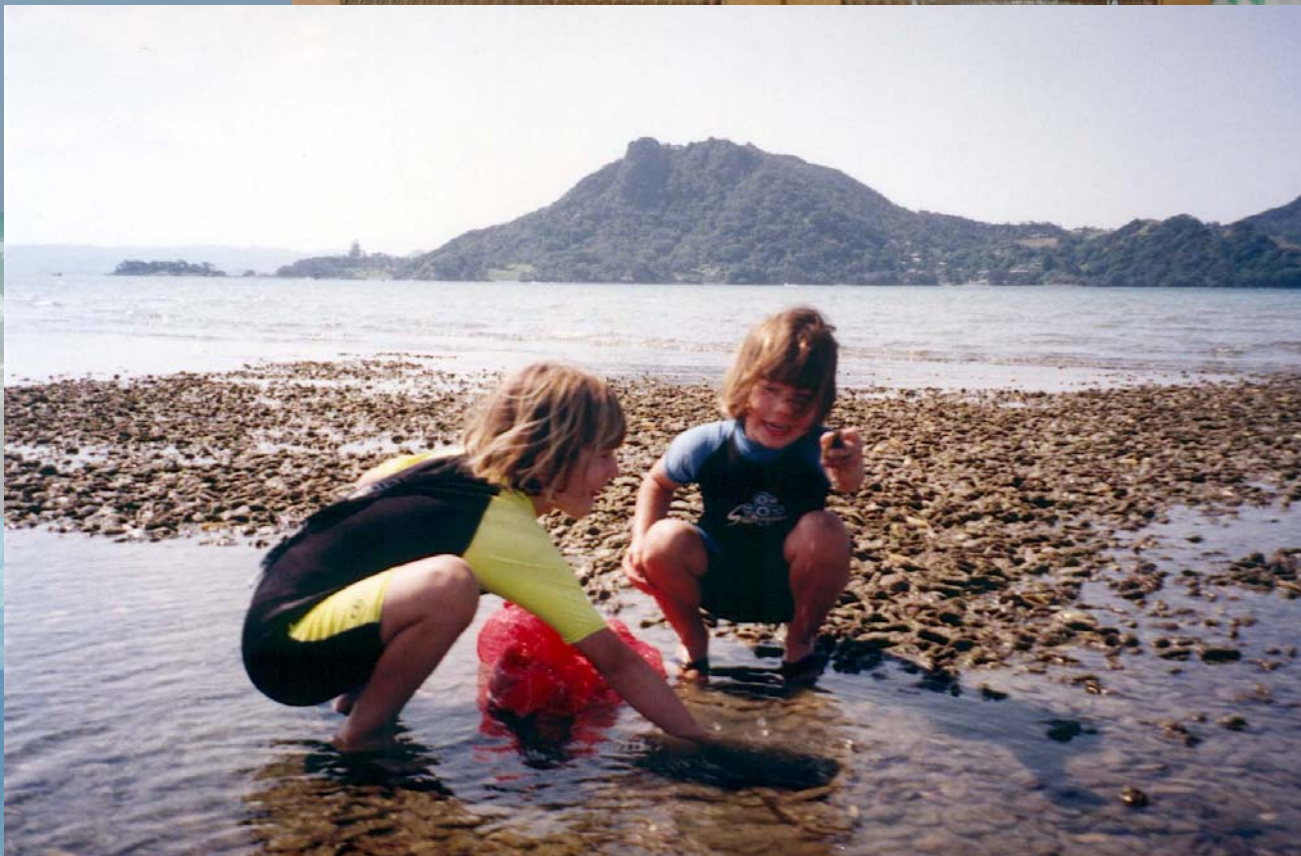


Ocean Forecast and Analysis Models for Coastal Observatories

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The Coastal Ocean

- 8% of surface of World Ocean
- 19 to 28% total global ocean primary productivity
- 90% global fish catch

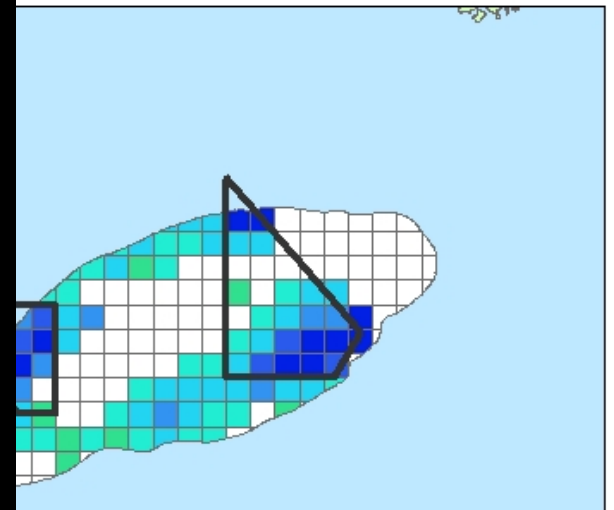
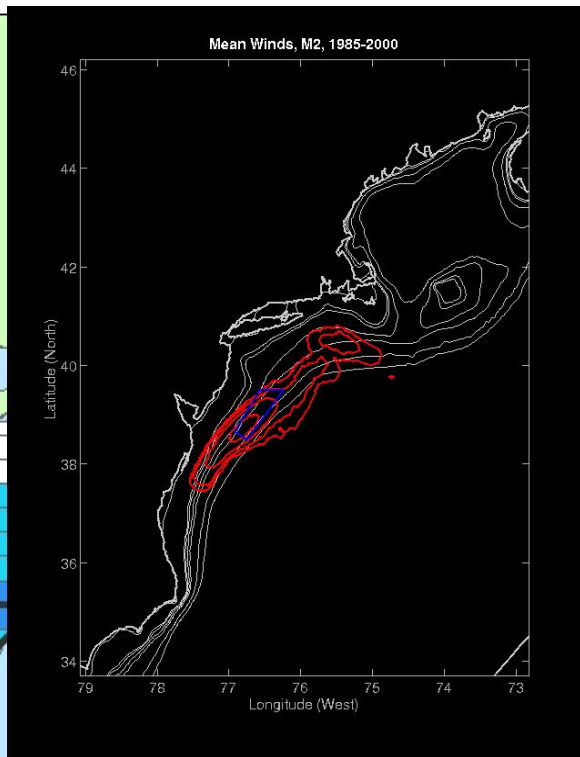
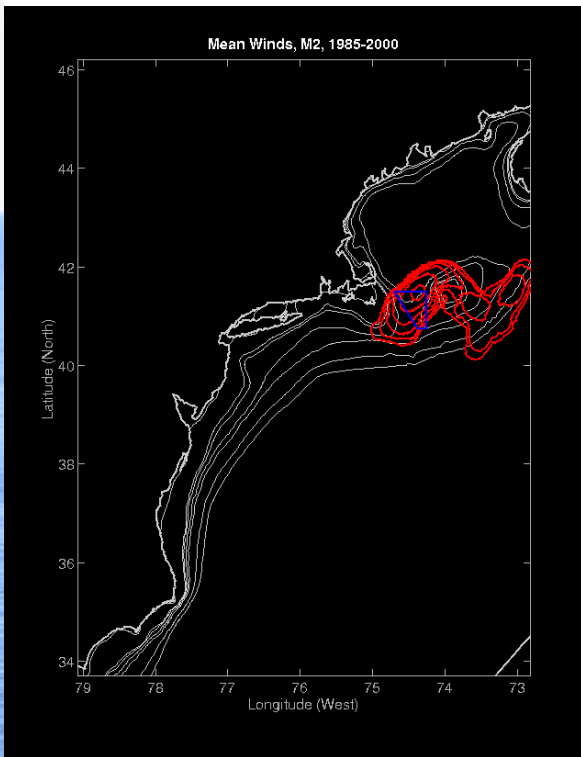
Continental shelf carbon cycle

- Globally, river input is $\sim 0.8 \text{ PgC yr}^{-1}$, comparable to the natural flux of CO_2 from the shelf ocean to the atmosphere
- “Continental Shelf Pump” (atmosphere to shelf bottom waters) could account for 0.6 to 1 PgC yr^{-1} (of $\sim 2 \text{ PgC yr}^{-1}$ anthropogenic)

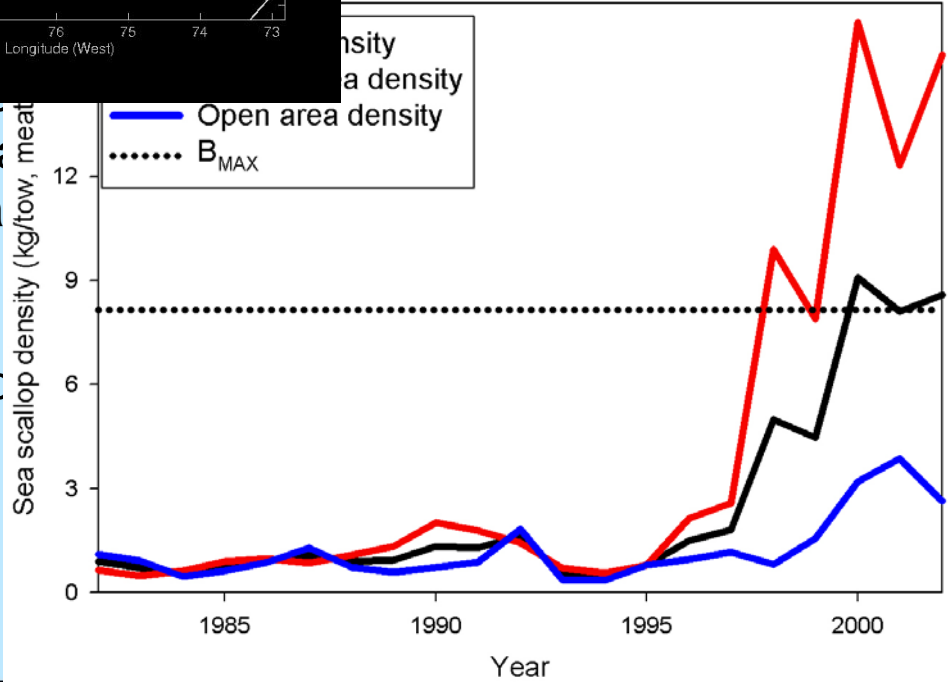
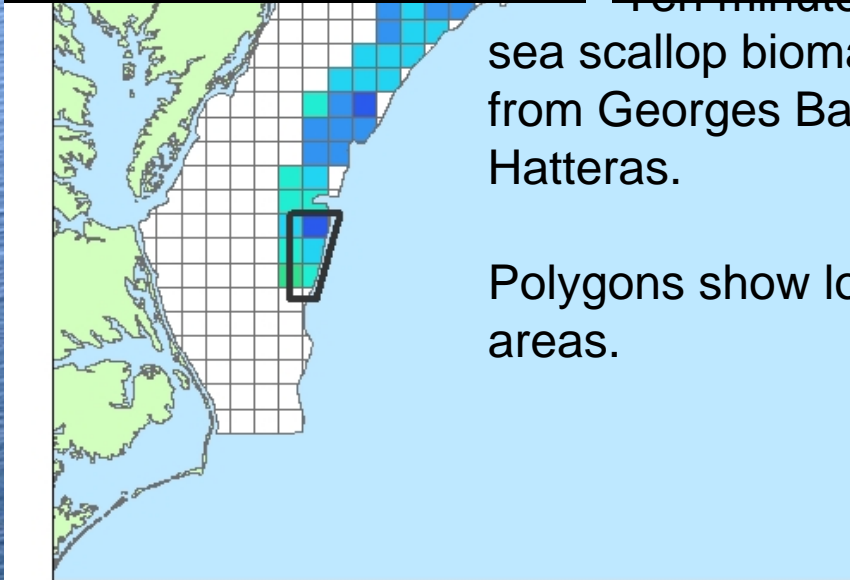
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 - **Scallop pelagic larval stage lasts 4-8 weeks**
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Annual Sea Scallop Survey



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 - **Georges Bank ground-fish closed areas have aided scallop populations**
 - **Scallop pelagic larval stage lasts 4-8 weeks**
 - **Hypotheses on larval dispersal can be tested using circulation models**
 - **Multi-species management could choose closed areas good for both ground-fish and scallops**
- **Holy Grail of fisheries management is prediction of inter-annual variability that would enable year-by-year adaptive extraction (quotas)**
 - **aside: West Australian Rock lobster**

River runoff and human pollution

- Coastal ocean is a filter for nutrients and sediments from rivers and atmosphere
 - majority are re-mineralized with little export to the deep ocean
- On U.S. East Coast, the discharge of many rivers is modified in estuaries
- Chesapeake Bay: most runoff is assimilated by plankton in the Bay and exported as inorganic nitrogen
- New York: 90% nitrogen is exported unassimilated onto the shelf
 - NY/NJ Harbor sediments are ~4% of MAB load, but 90% of PCBs and 70% of mercury
- Where it goes and how it is transformed depends not just on biogeochemical processes, but also on the physics of coastal ocean

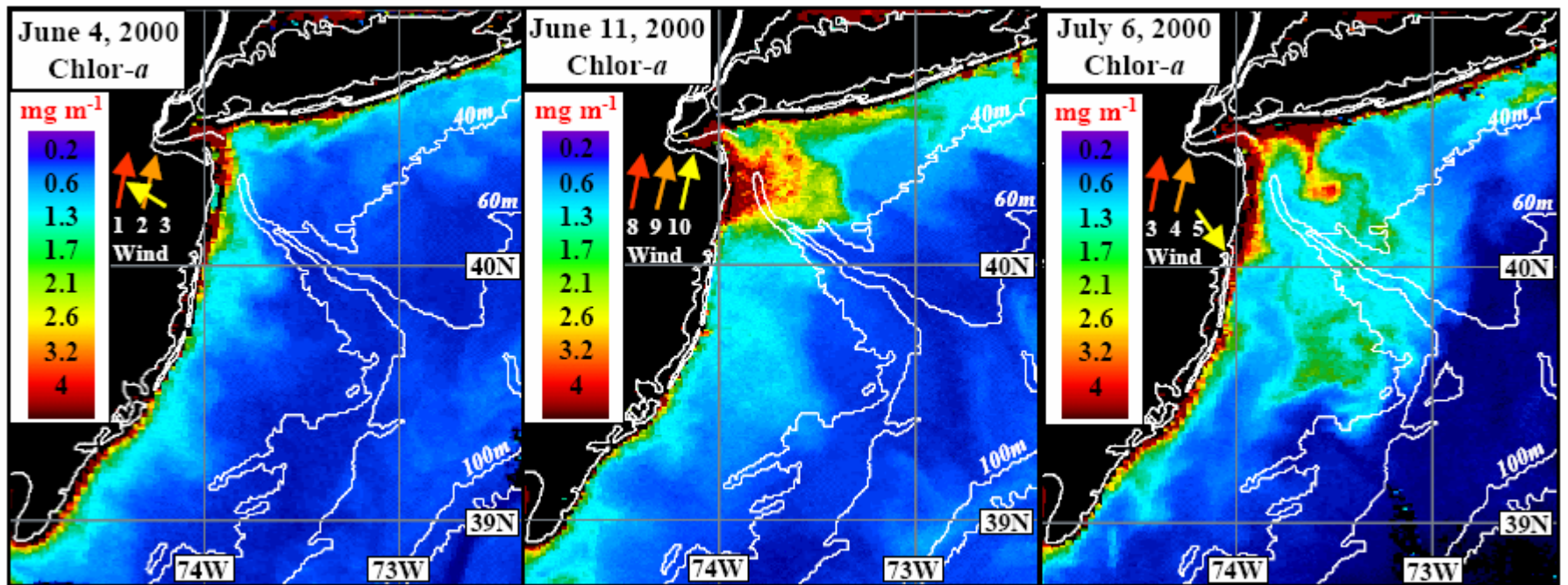


Fig. 2. The evolution of a surface plume from the Hudson River in the summer of 2000 mapped using SeaWiFs.

- Nutrients, carbon, pollutants enter coastal waters and are transported and transformed while resident in shelf waters
- Shelf-sea/deep-ocean exchange affects shelf residence times and supplies nutrients to the shelf ecosystem
- Physical, geochemical and ecosystem processes interact to regulate primary production and bioaccumulation
- Understanding of processes is required to assess natural variability and human impacts
- This requires multi-disciplinary observations in coastal regimes characterized by short length scales and rapid variability

Coastal Observatories

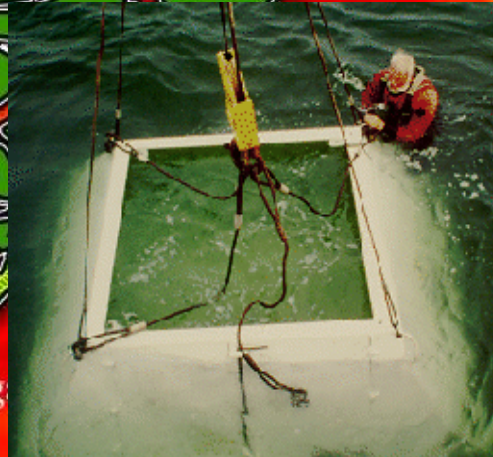
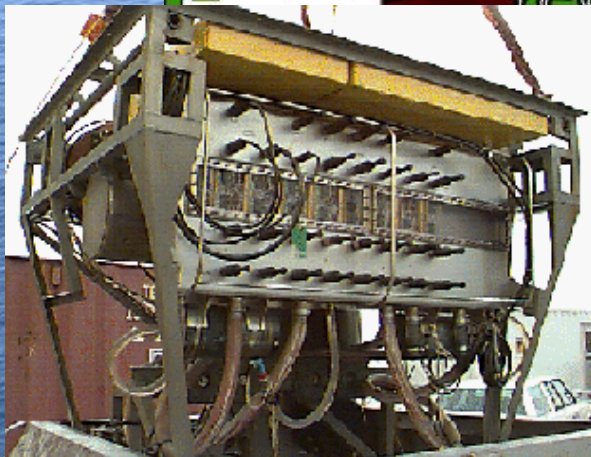
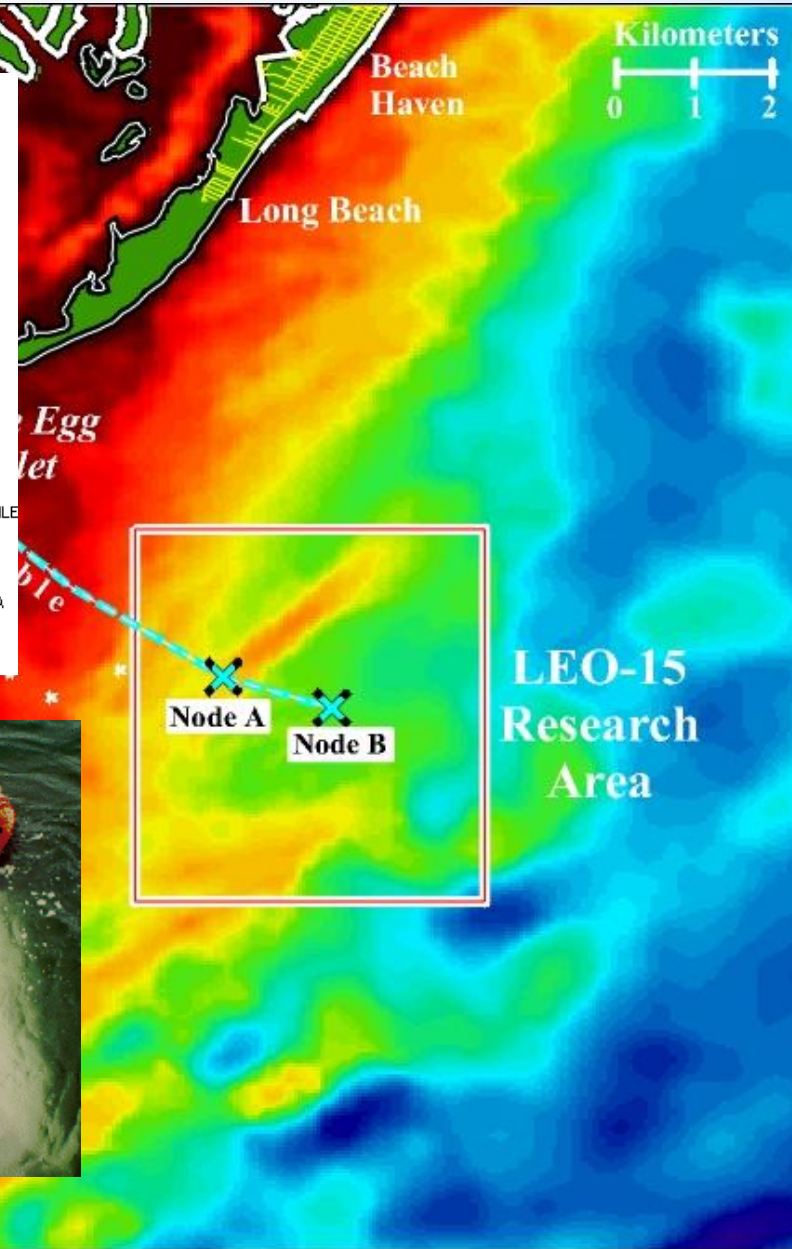
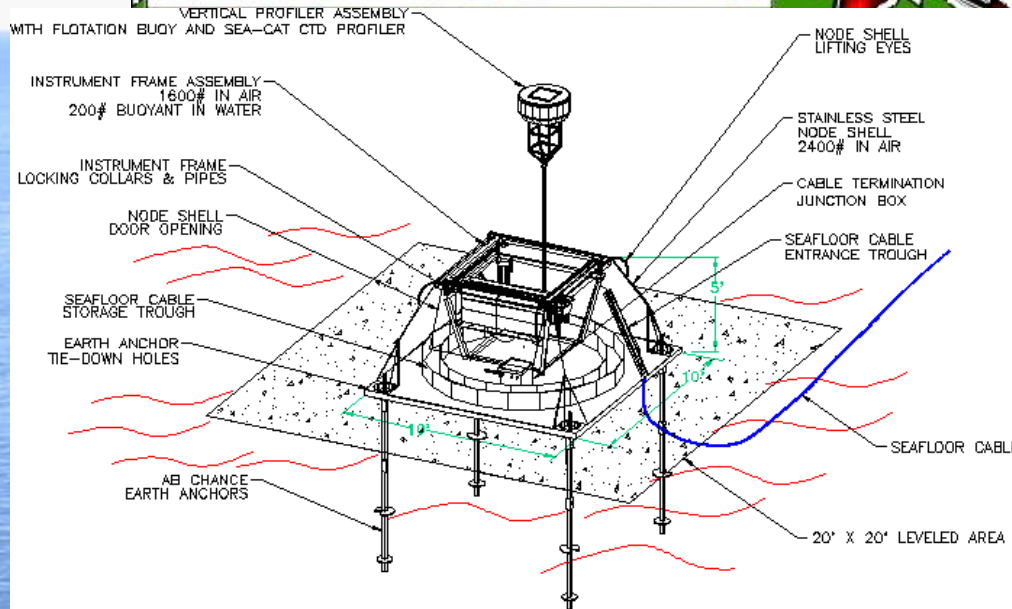


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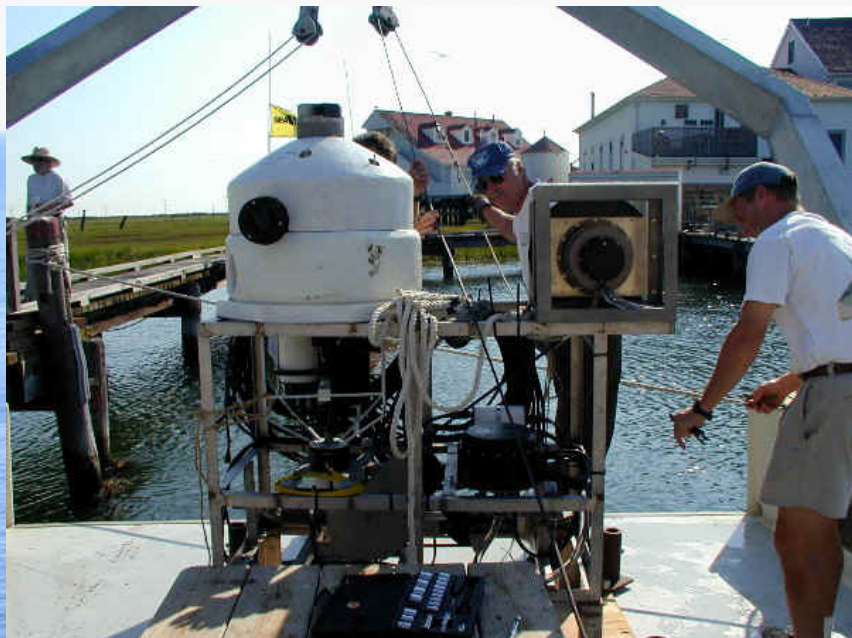
- The “research mode” expeditionary approach encouraged experiments designed to test specific hypotheses
- But how do we capture (unexpected) **EVENTS** that have major impacts on the system?
- Need a long-term coastal monitoring observatories
- *“Think globally, act locally”*

Long-term Ecosystem Observatory (LEO)

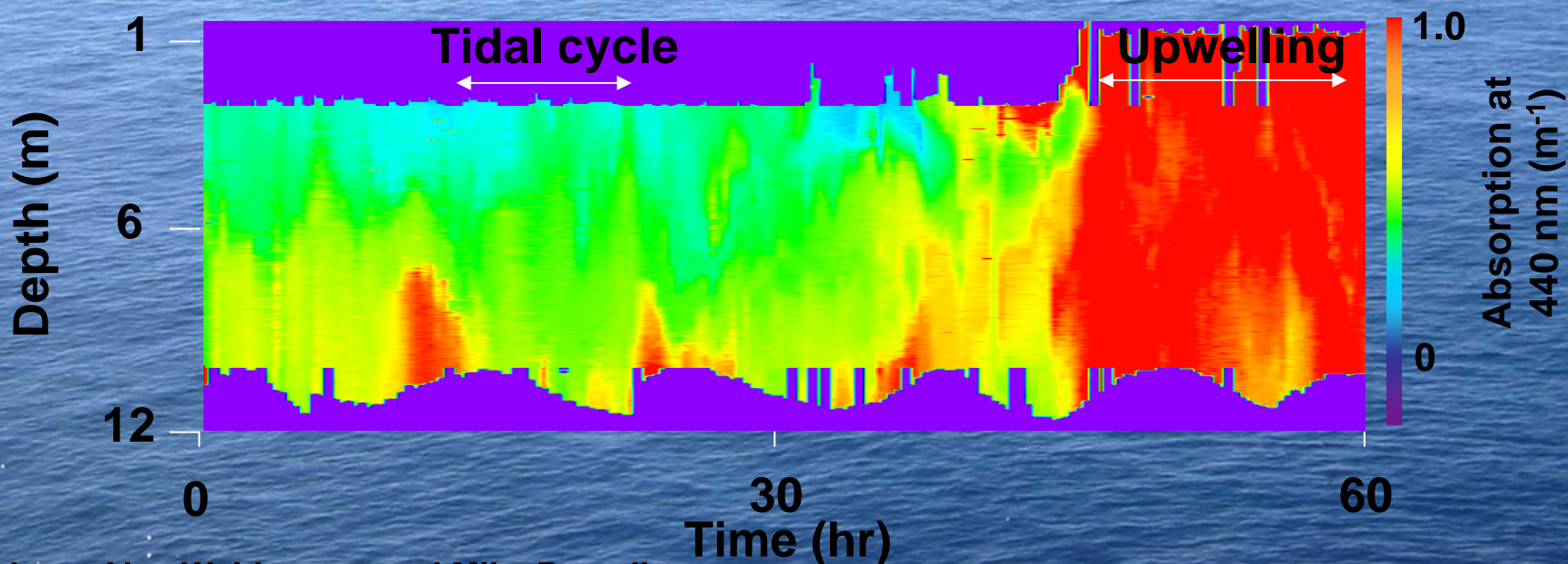
LEO-15 Research Stations



Optical profiler deployed on LEO-15 guest port

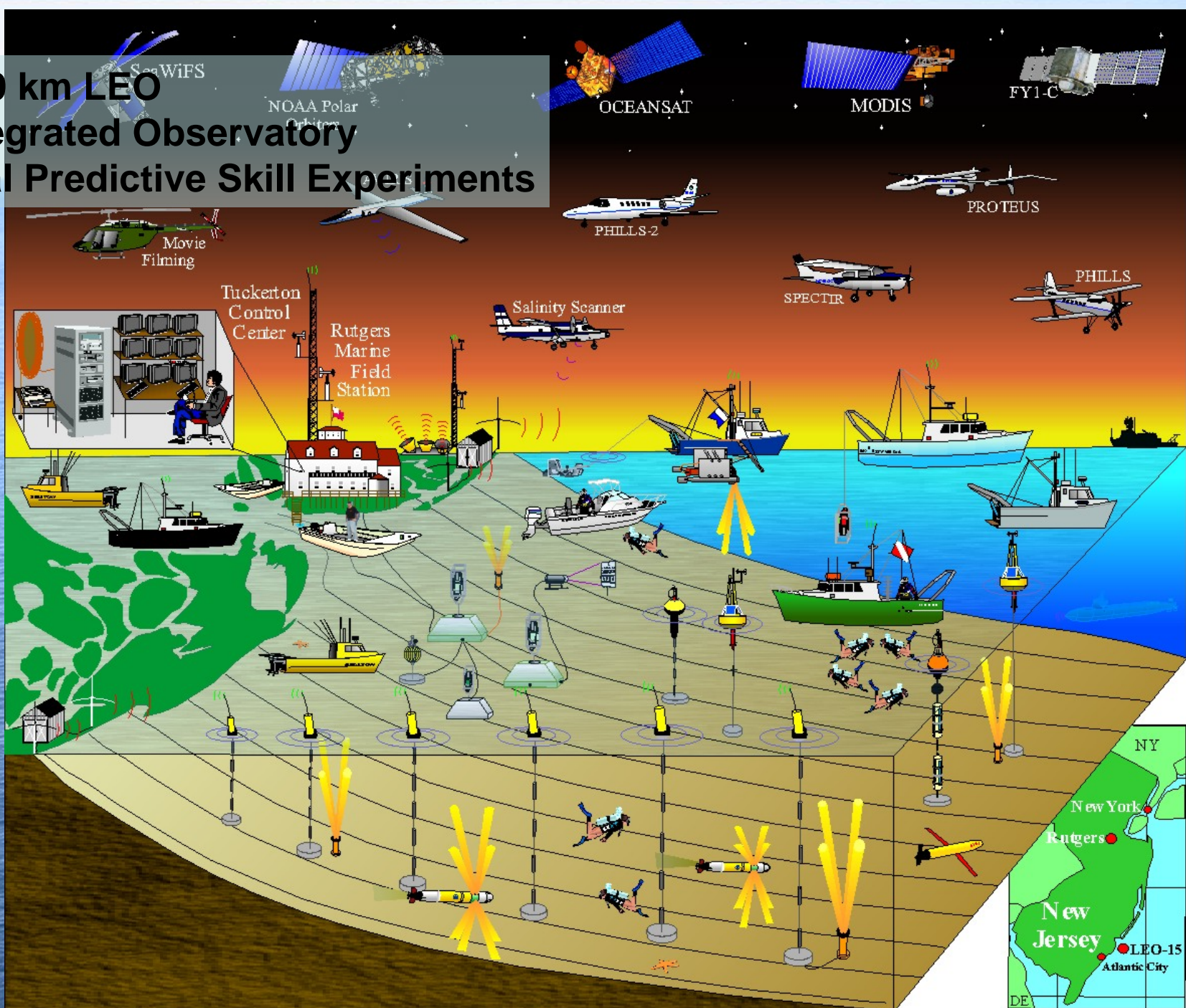


Instrument Package for 2000: ac-9, HiSTAR, FRR, LISST, HS-2, Biolum, VSM

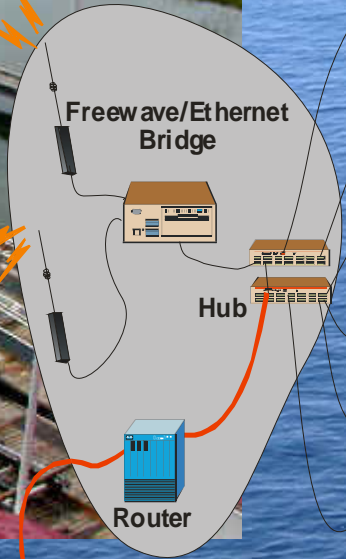
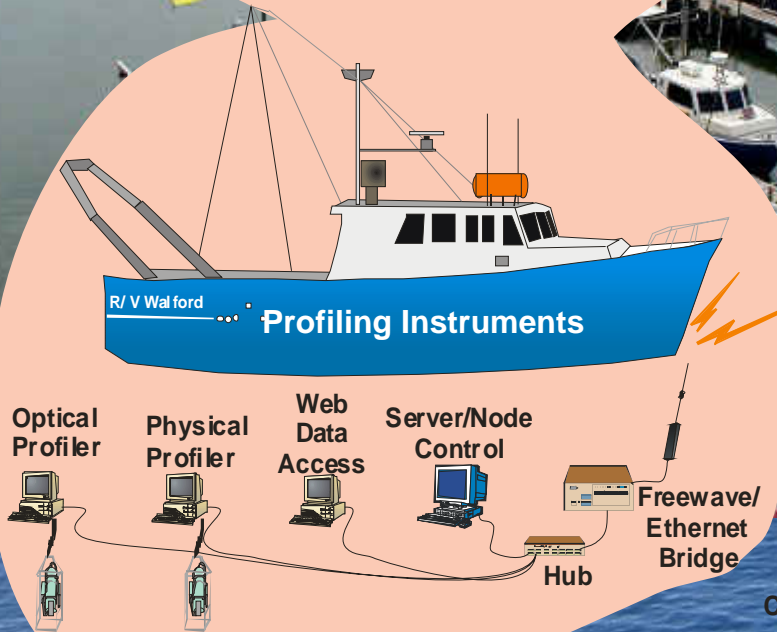
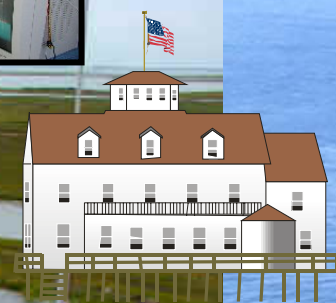
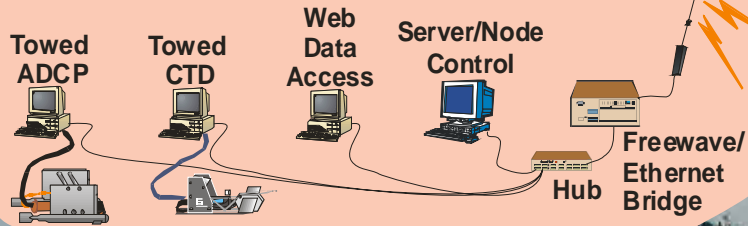
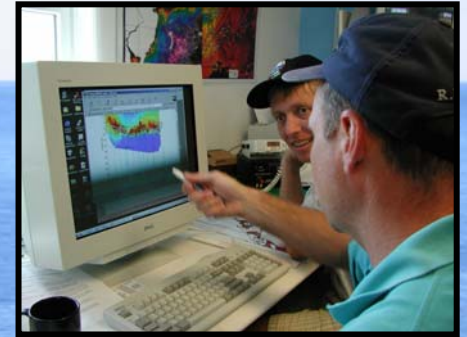
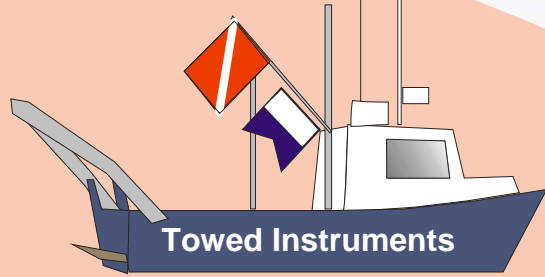


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30 X 30 km LEO An Integrated Observatory Coastal Predictive Skill Experiments



Ship-to-Shore Communications



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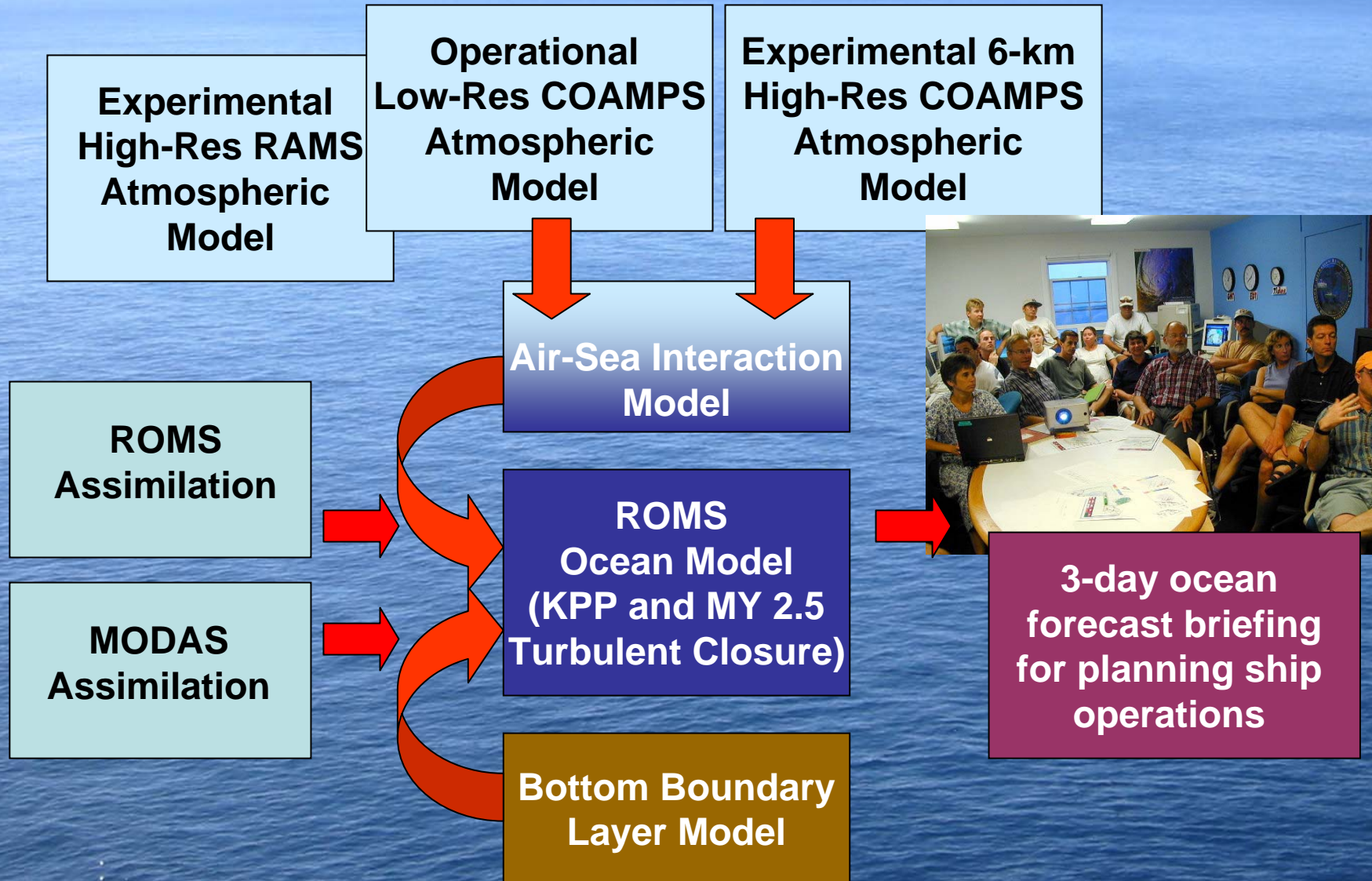


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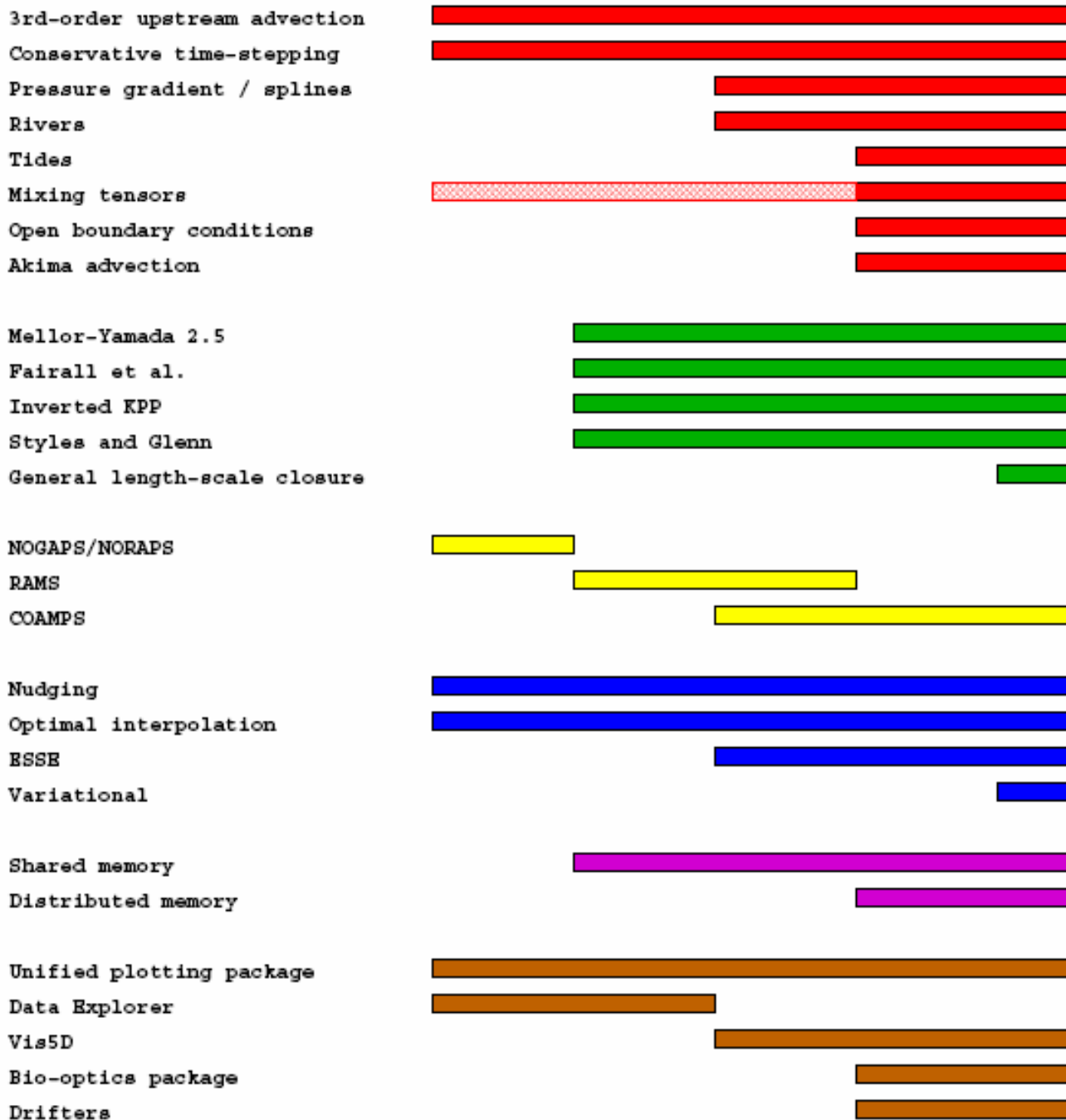


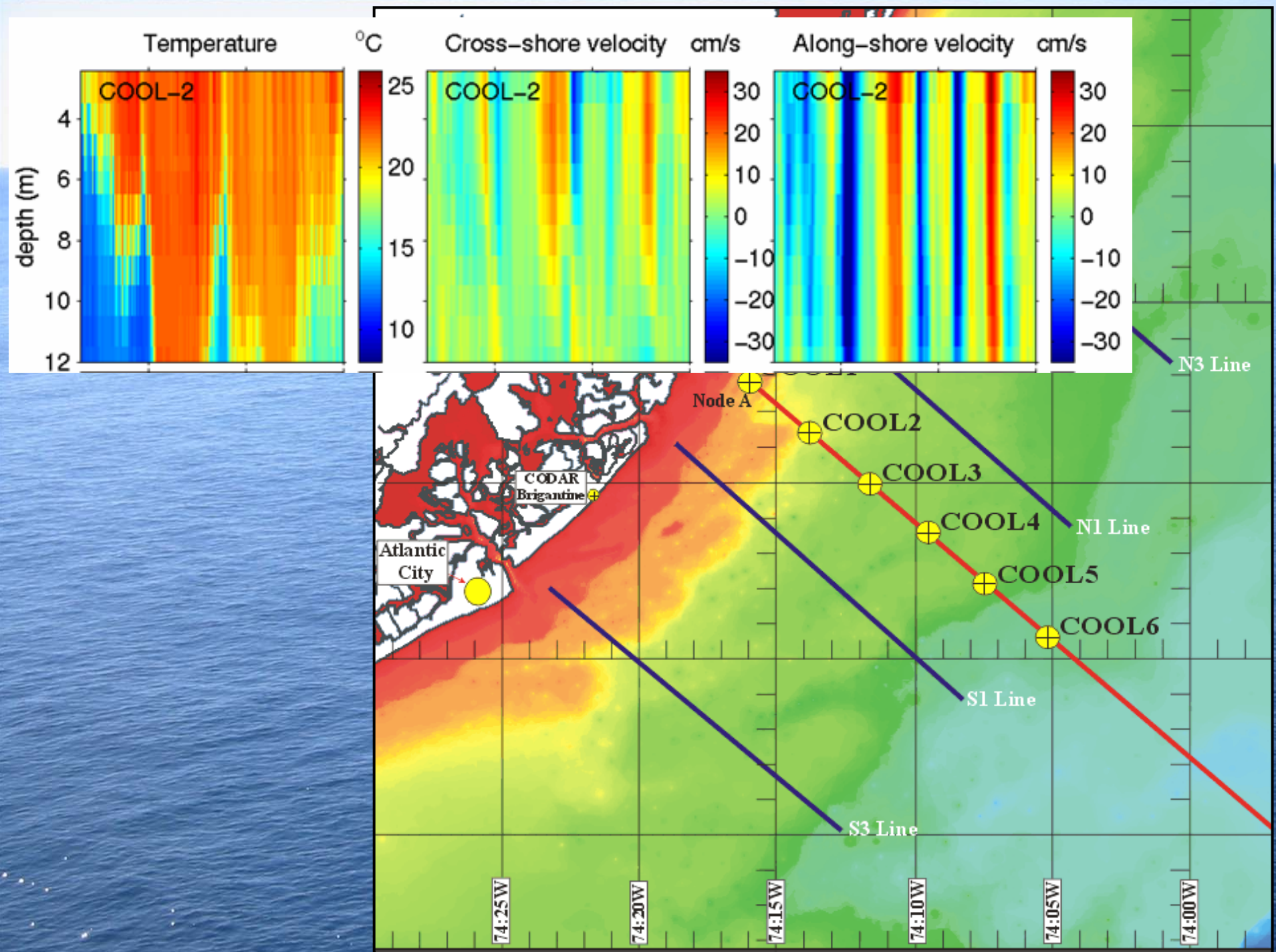
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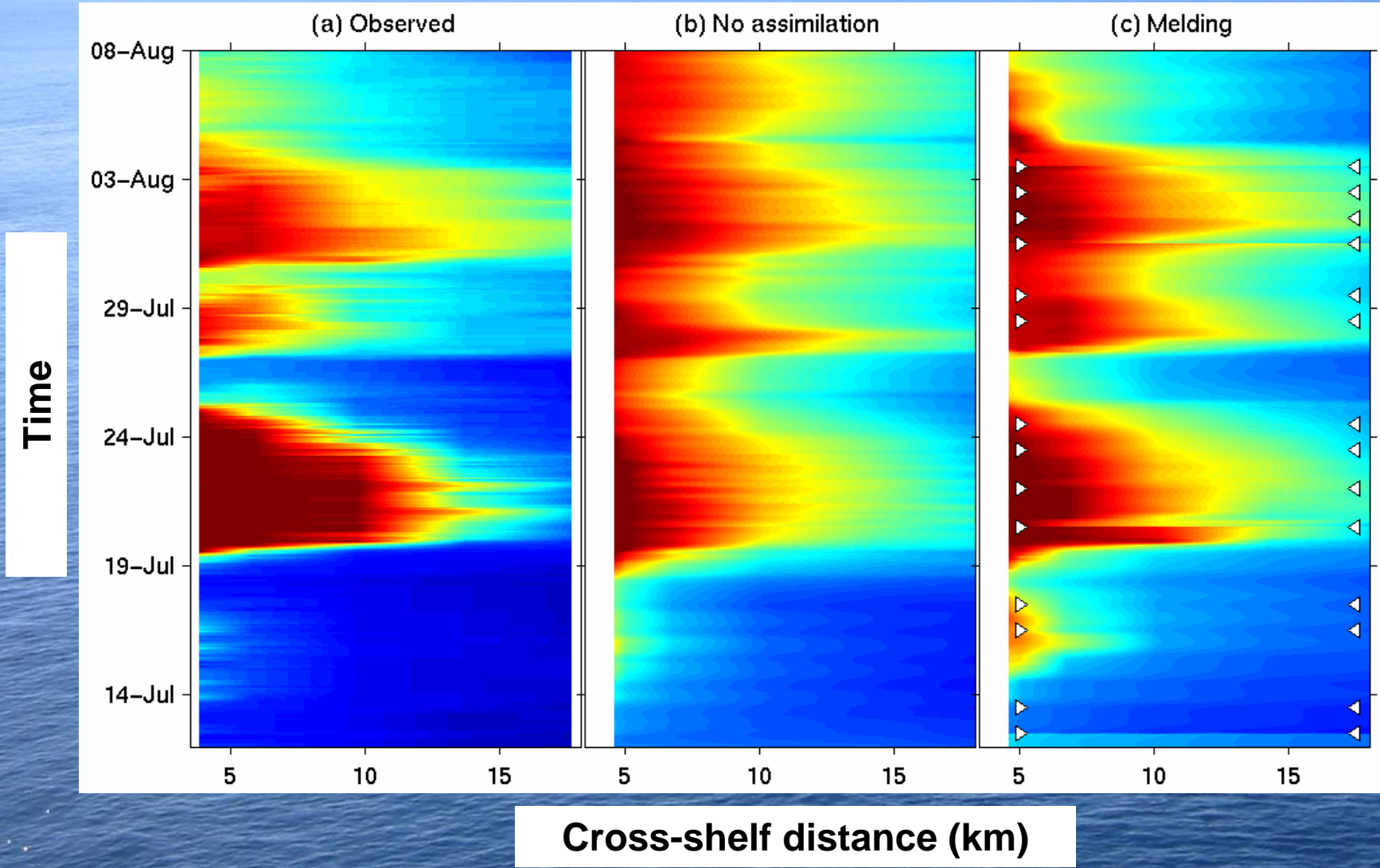


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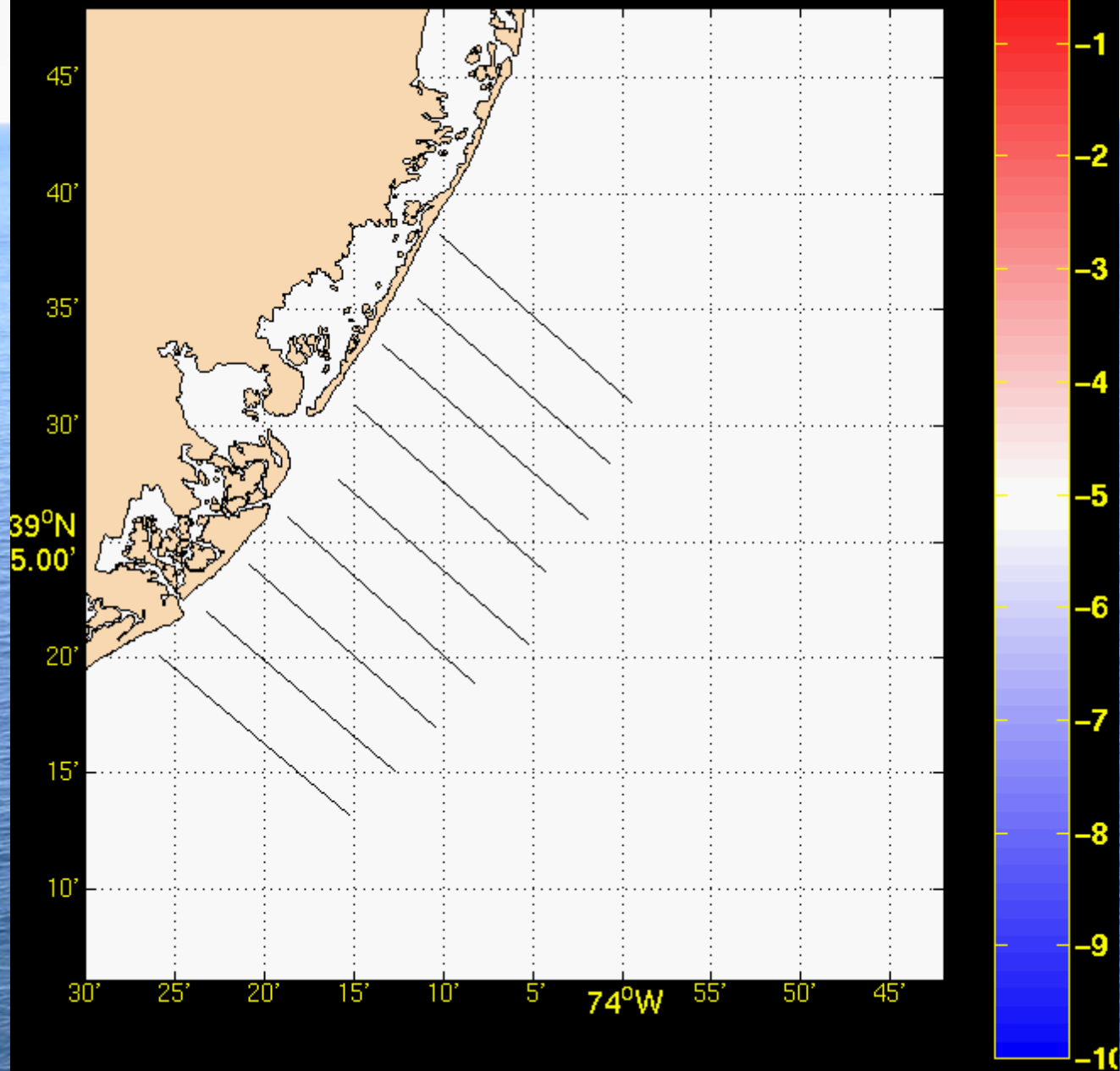


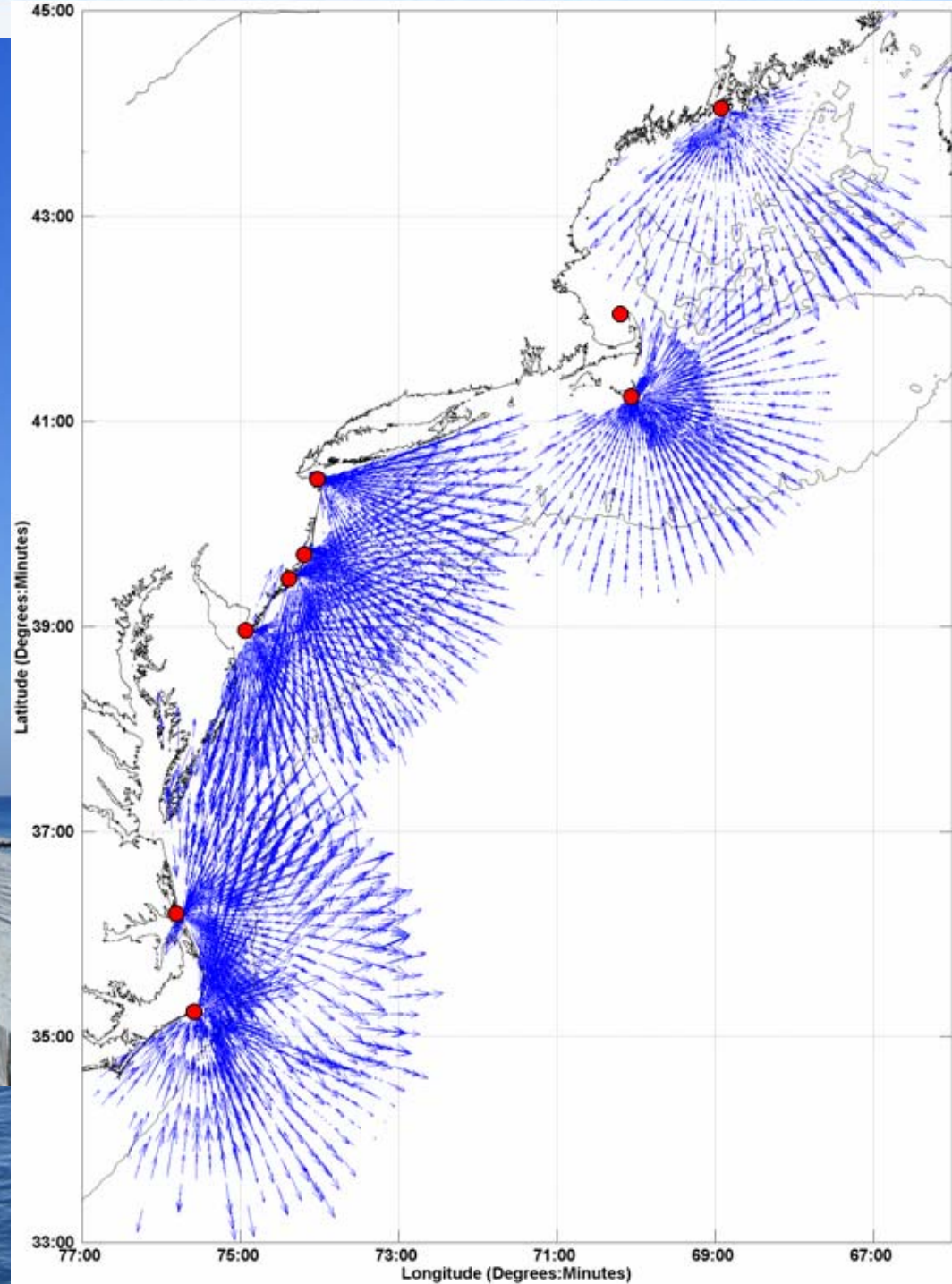


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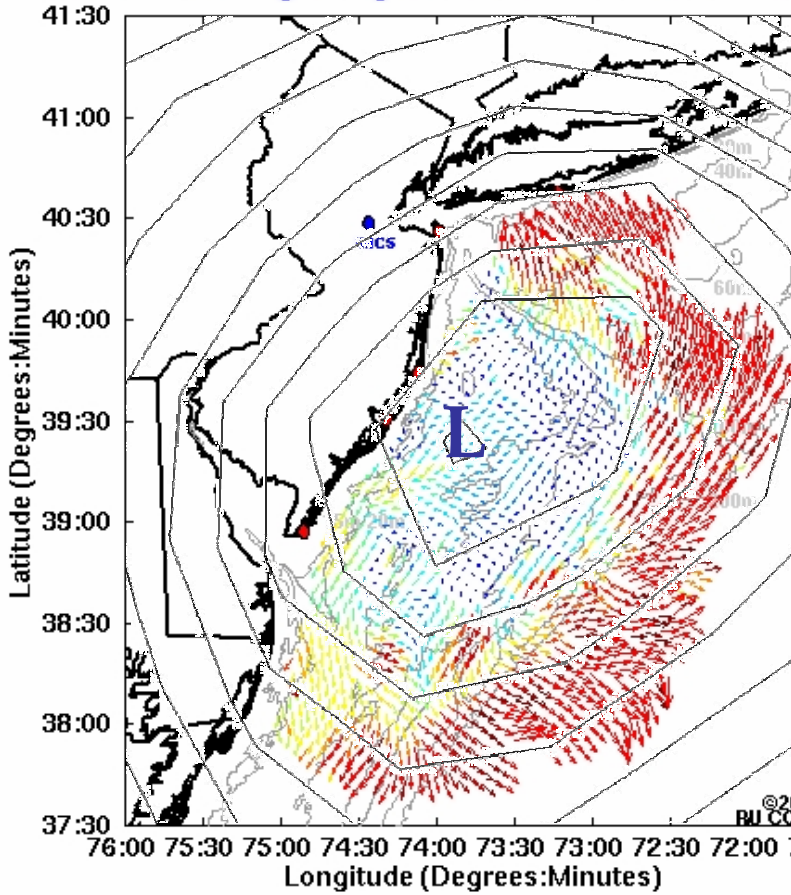
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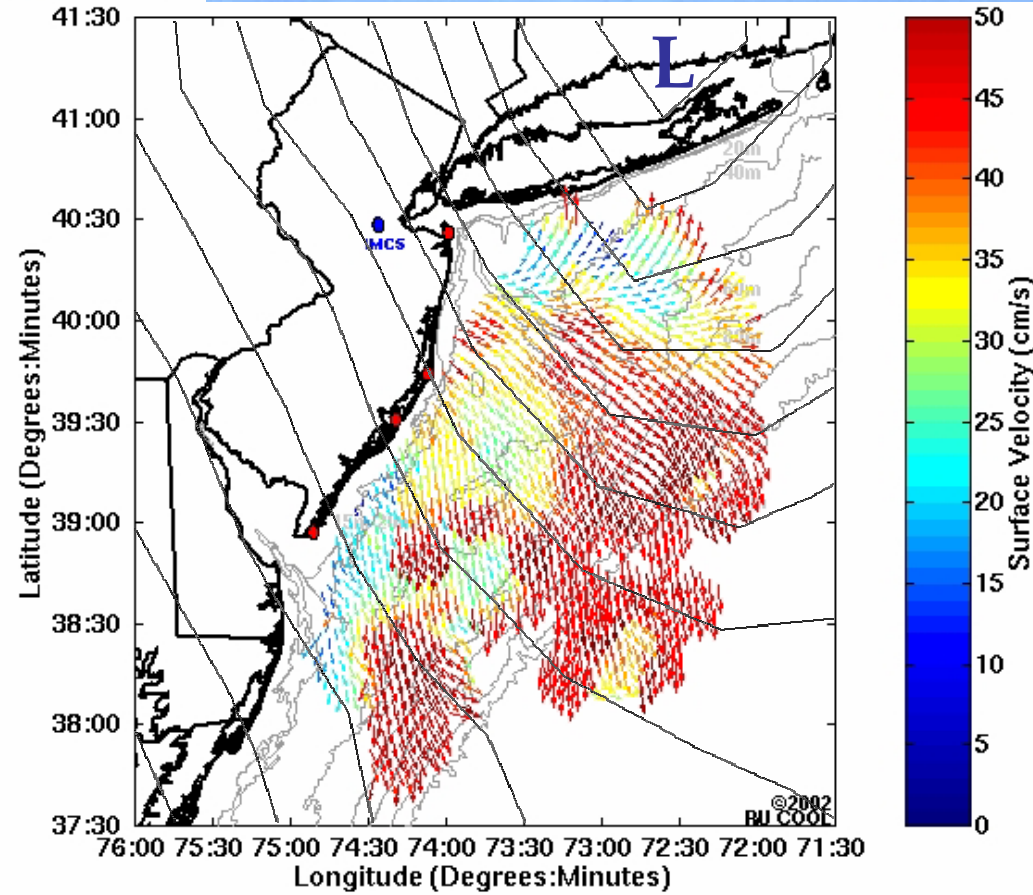
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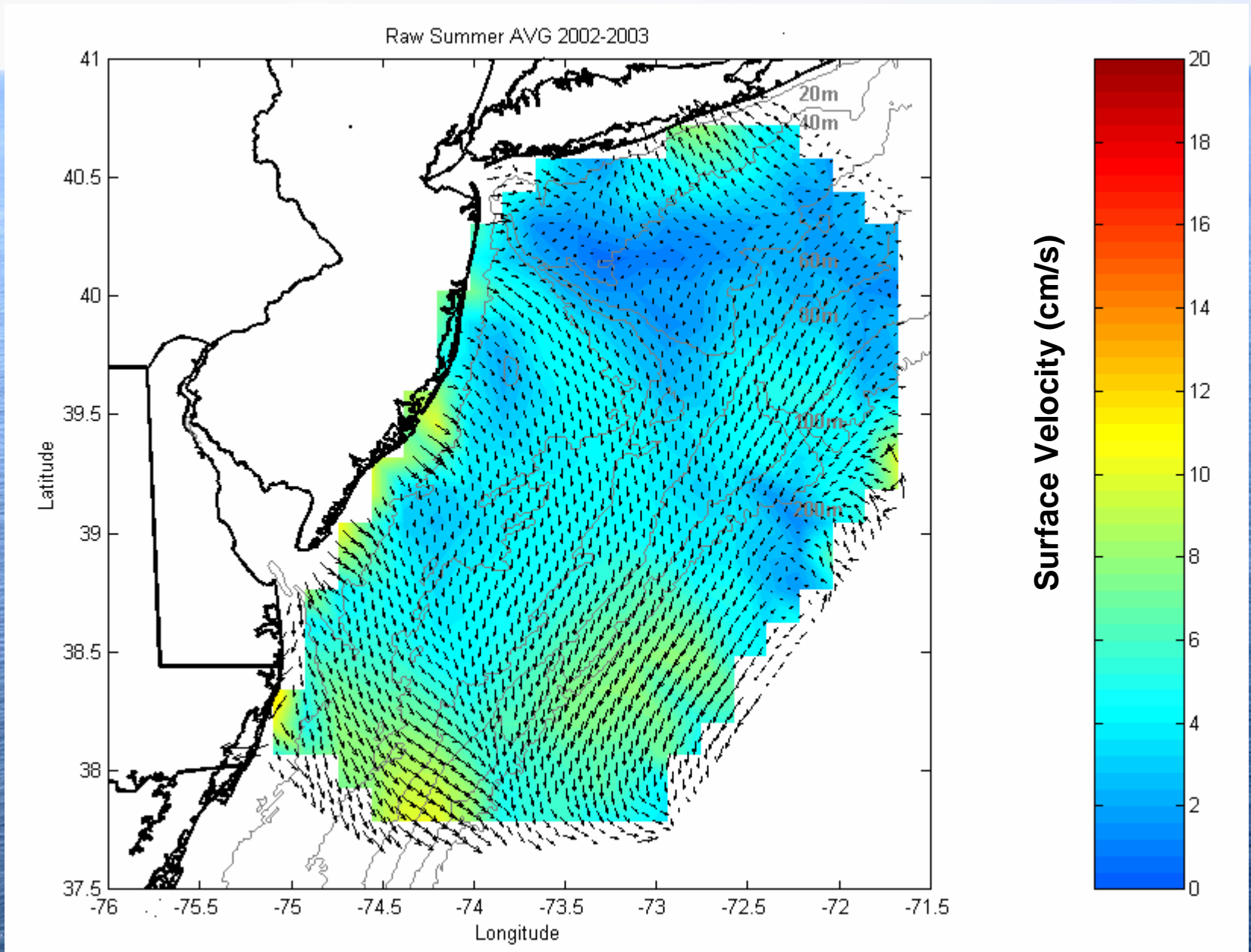


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CODAR Surface Currents



Average Surface Currents (2002-2003)



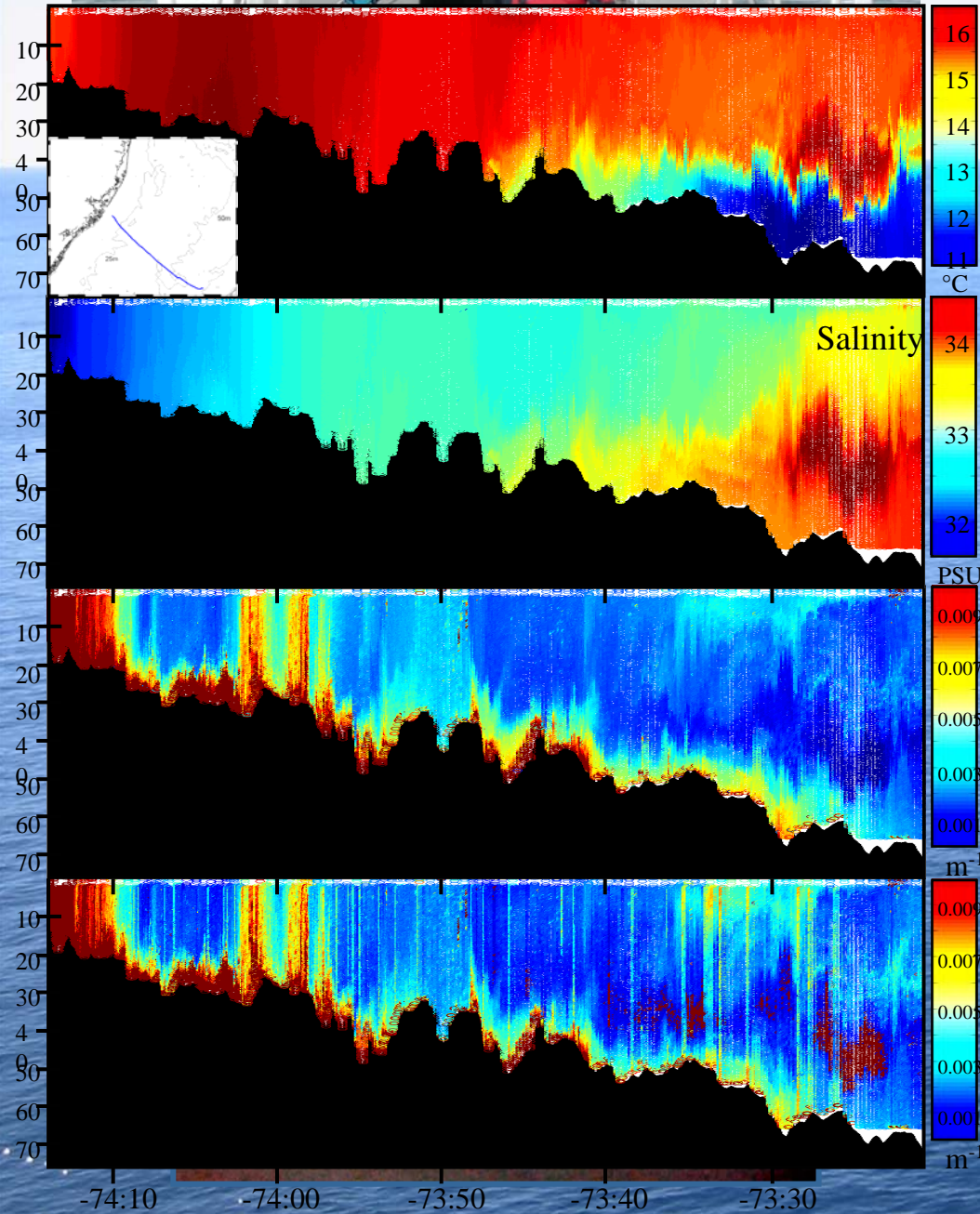
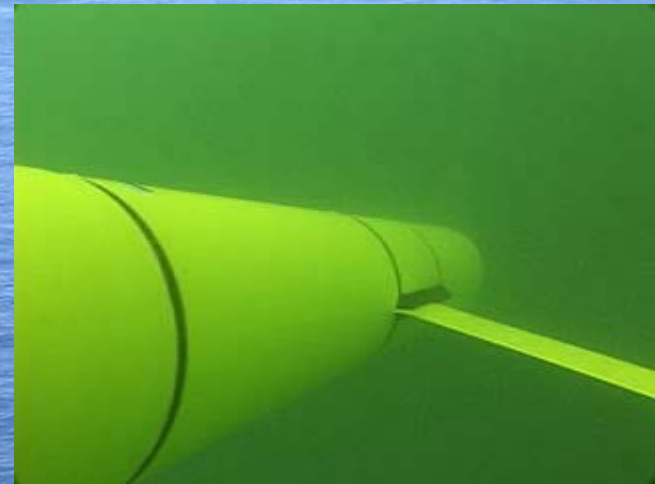
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b_b 670nm





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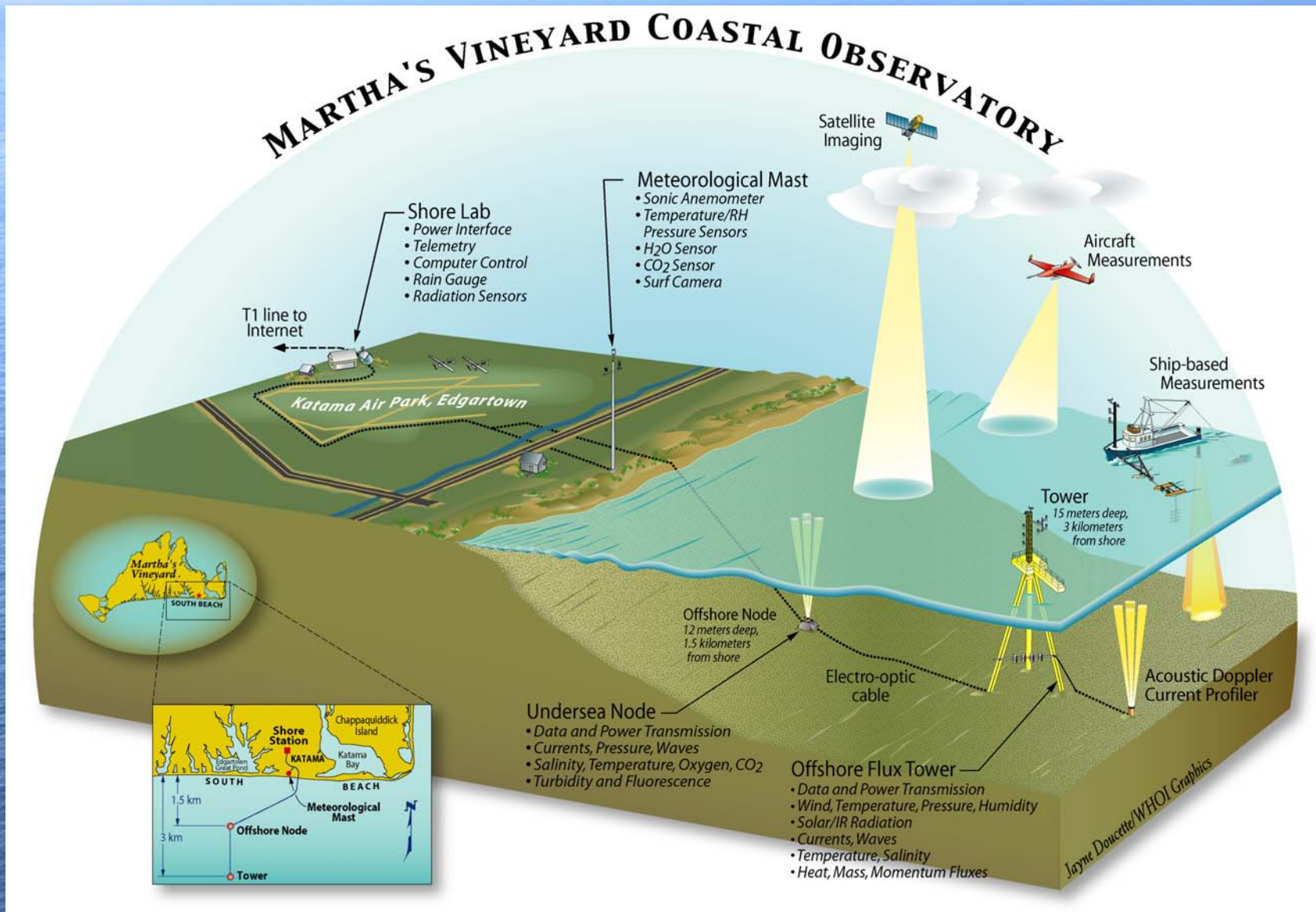
NEOS, a science consortium established in 2000 provides a regional footprint.

Sub-regional observatories and technology/science working groups.

Current groups include: DODS data management, satellite remote sensing, CODAR, AUVs, bio-optics standards, buoys, waves, shelf carbon biogeochemistry, extreme weather, economic products



MVCO: Martha's Vineyard Coastal Observatory and CBLAST



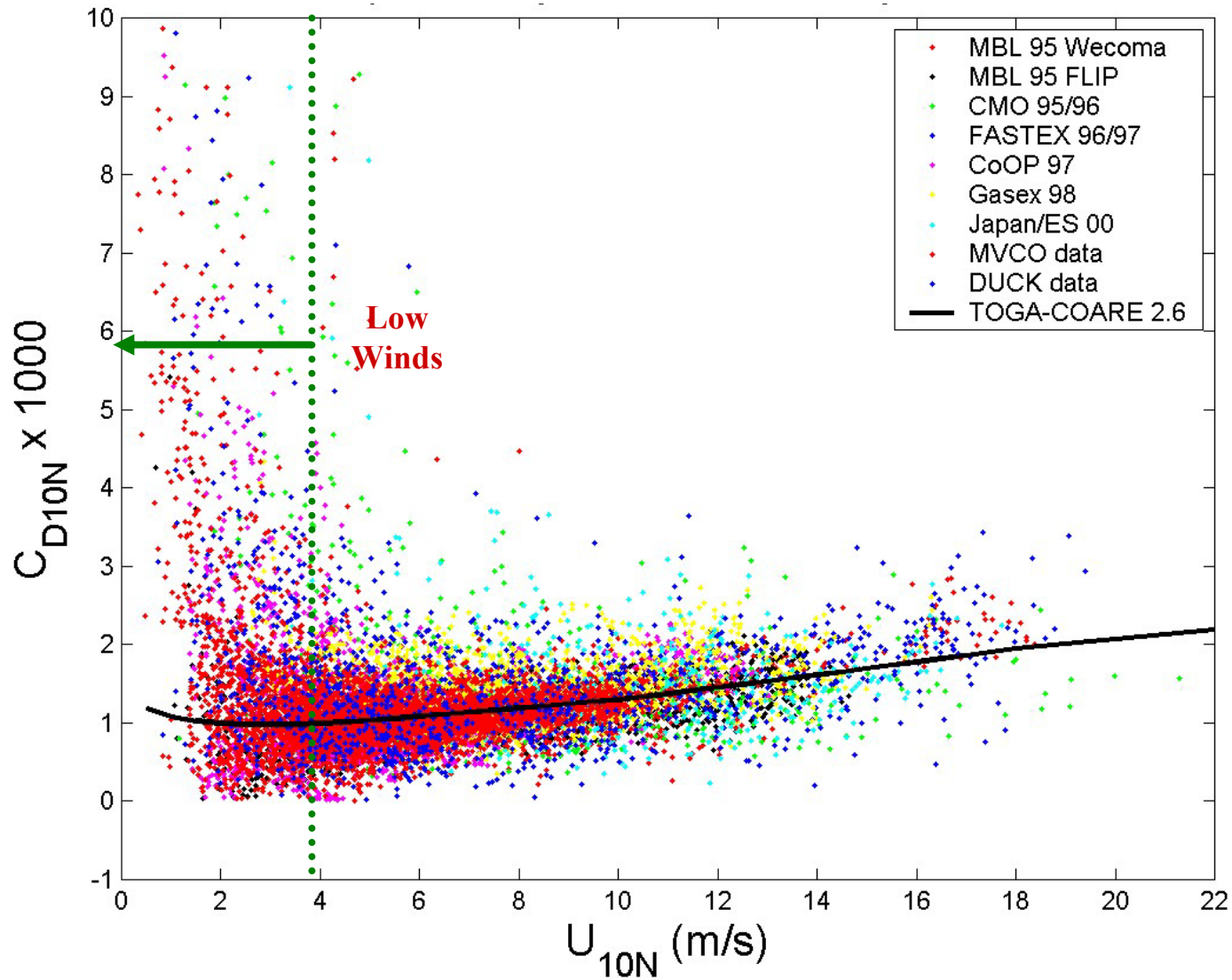
CBLAST: Coupled Boundary Layers and Air-Sea Transfer

The ONR CBLAST-Low program focuses on air-sea interaction and coupled atmosphere/ocean boundary layer dynamics at low wind speeds where processes are strongly modulated by thermal forcing.

- Precise observations of air-sea fluxes and turbulent mixing from CBLAST are ideal for evaluating the vertical turbulence closure schemes employed in ocean models.
- This comparison will be possible provided the model captures the essential features of the ocean heat budget on diurnal to several day time-scales, and spatial scales of order 1 km.
- Modeling complements the interpretation of the field observations by quantifying unobserved lateral transport and mixing of heat.

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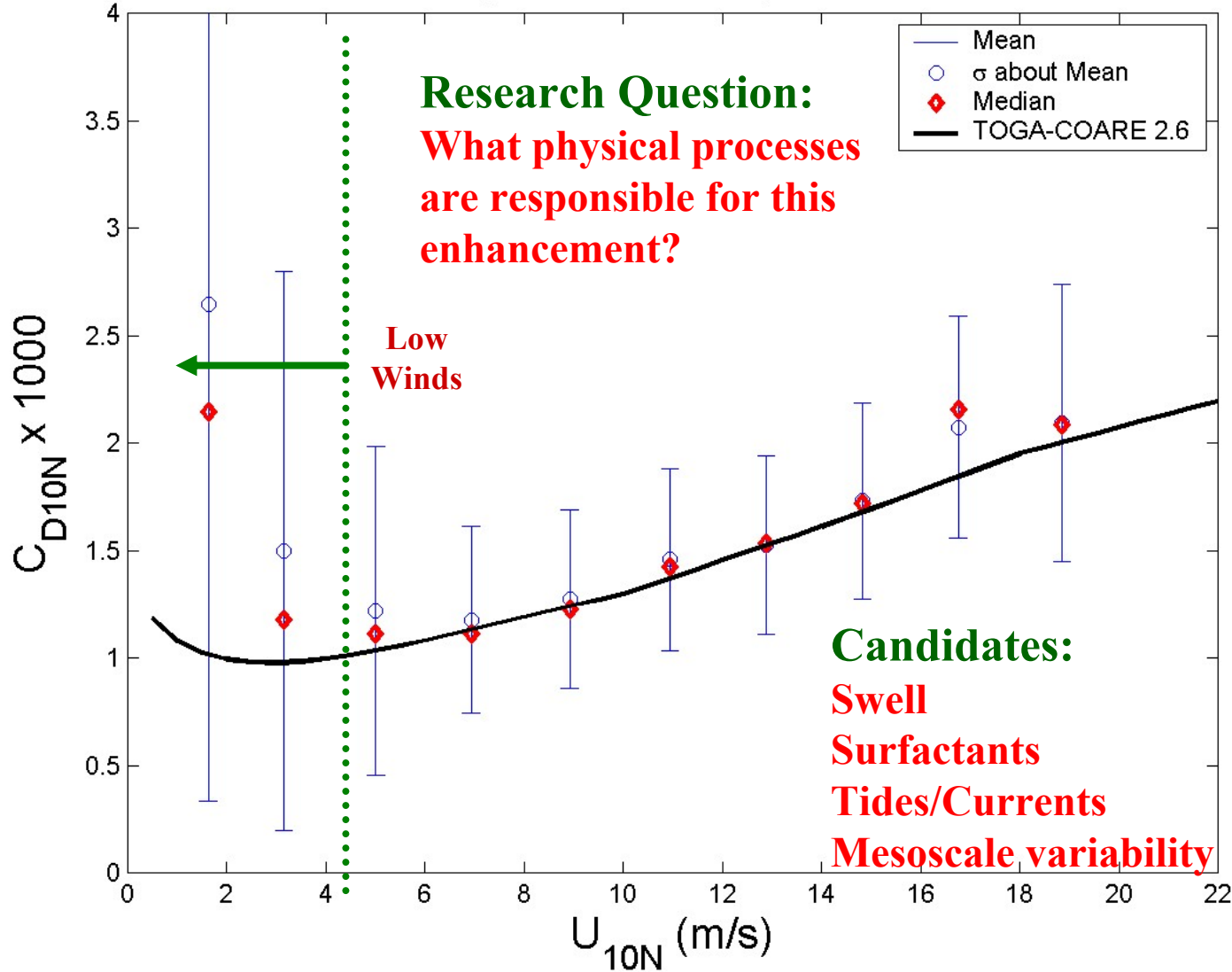
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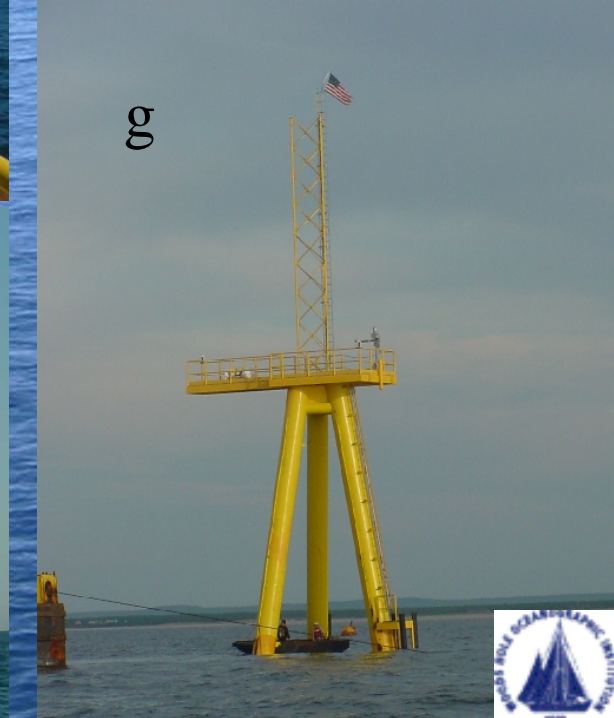


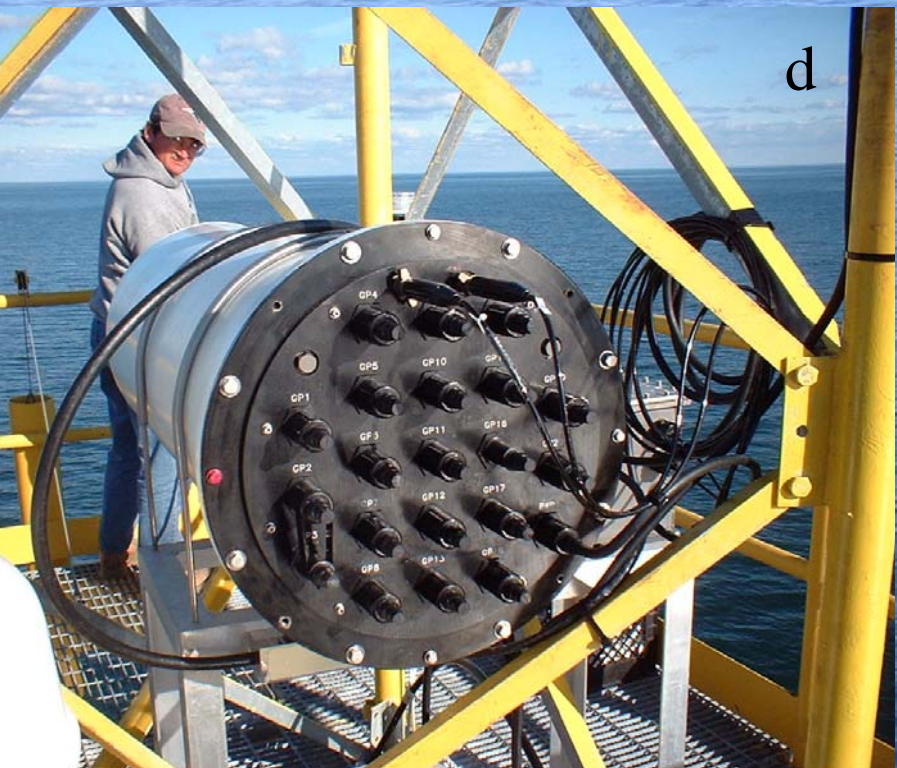
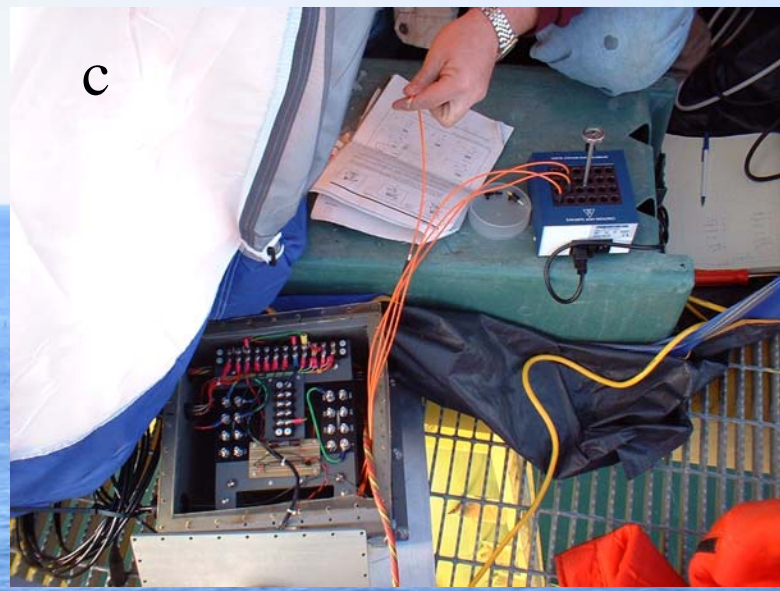
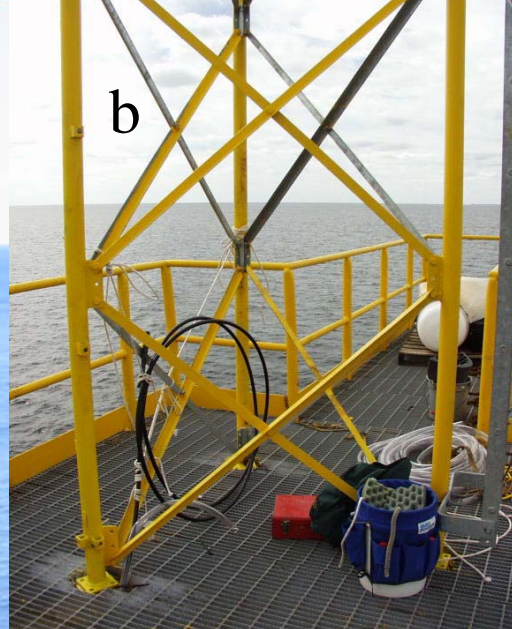
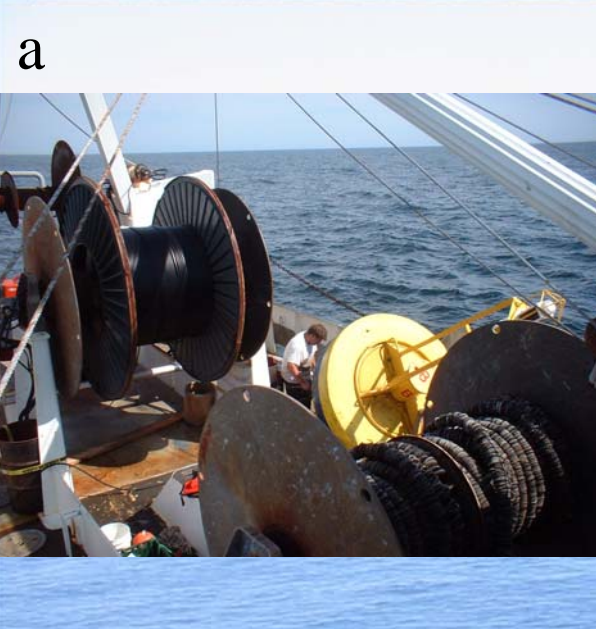
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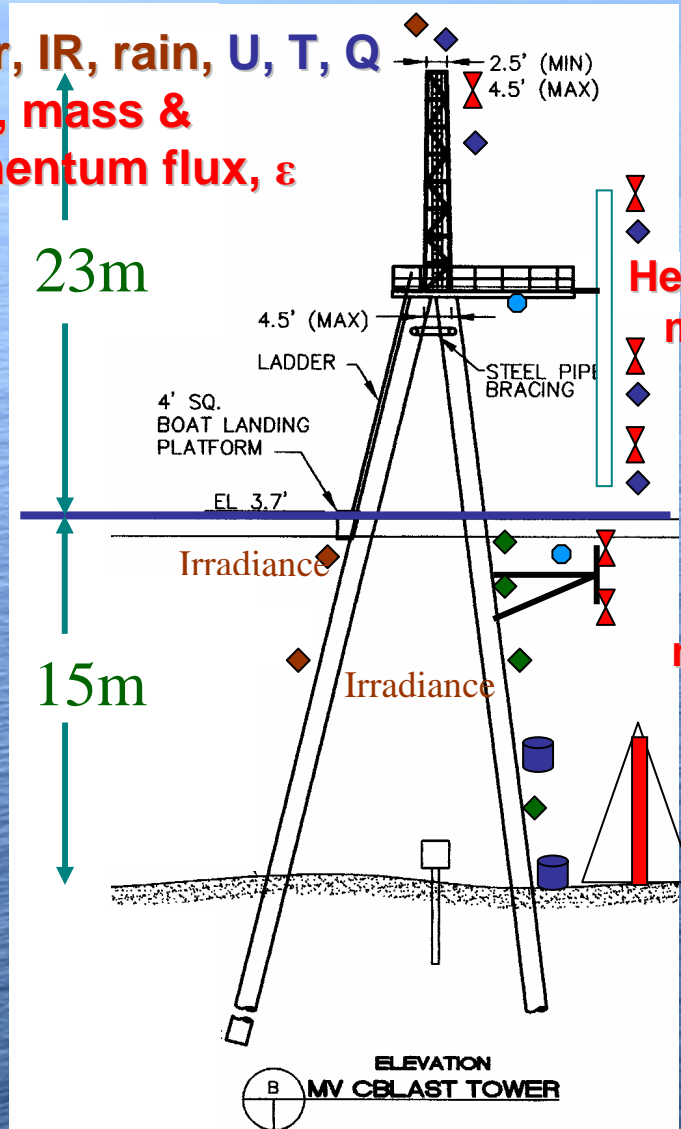






CBLAST Air-Sea Interaction Tower

Solar, IR, rain, U, T, Q
Heat, mass & momentum flux, ϵ



Moving profiler w/ fixed flux packages

U, T, Q

Heat, mass & mom. flux, ϵ

Waves

Waves

T, S

Heat, mass mom. flux, ϵ

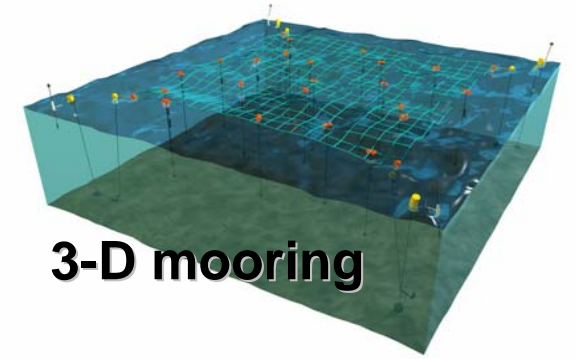
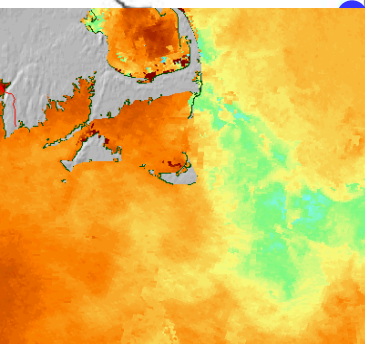
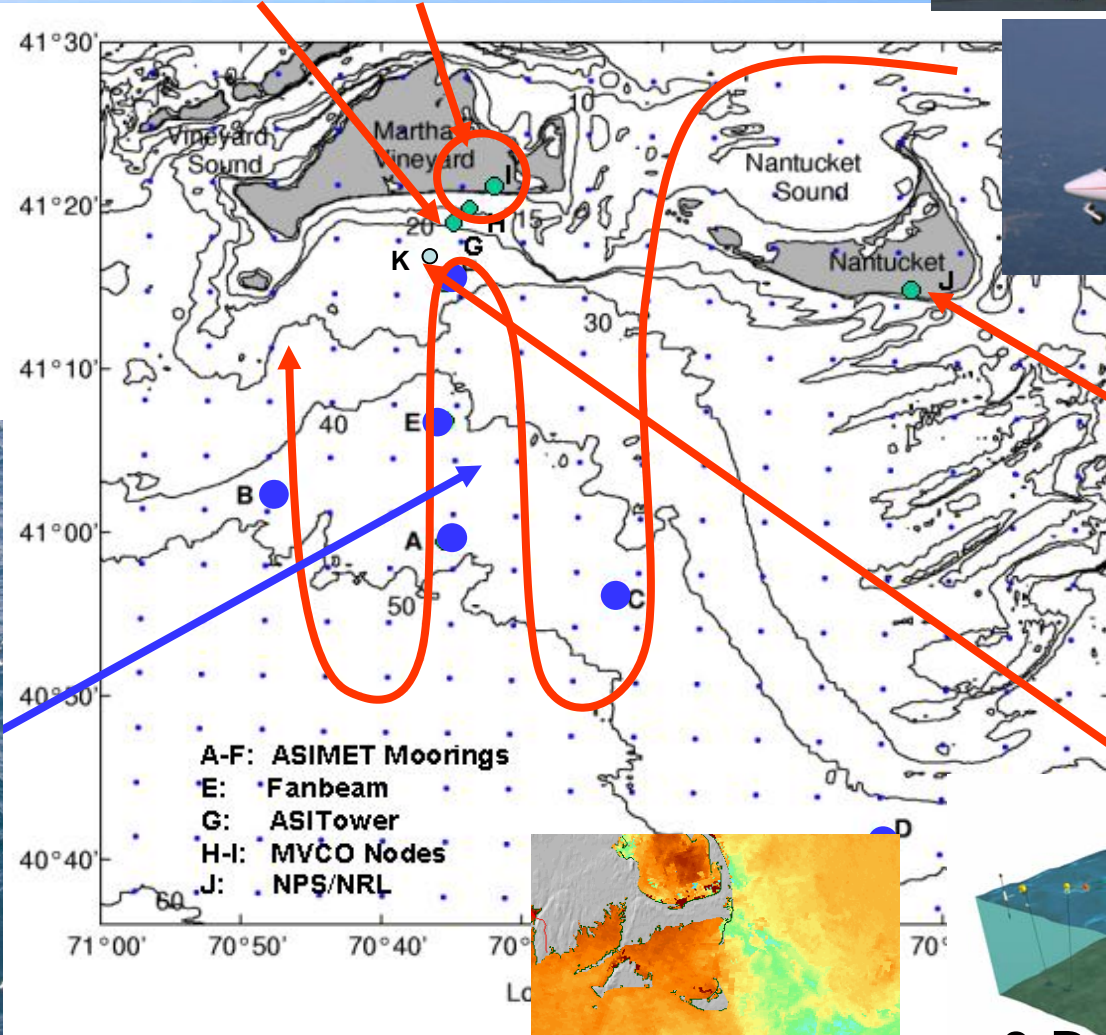
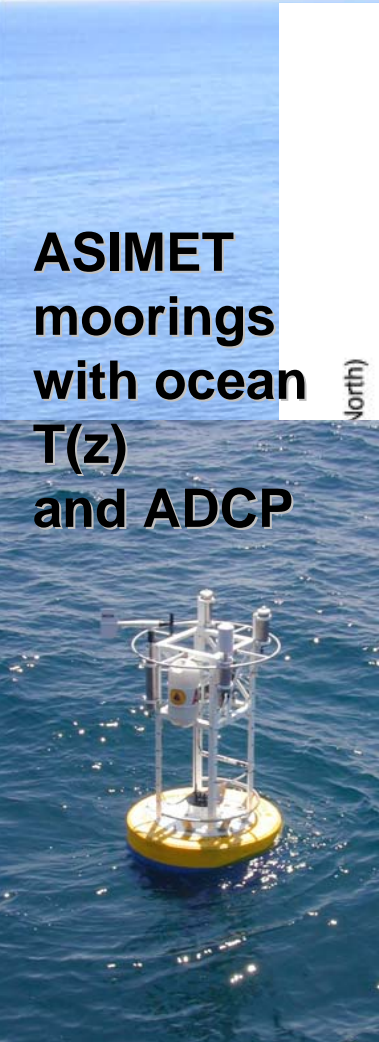


CBLAST-Low Observing System 2002:

(ASIT not 2002) MVCO



ASIMET moorings with ocean T(z) and ADCP



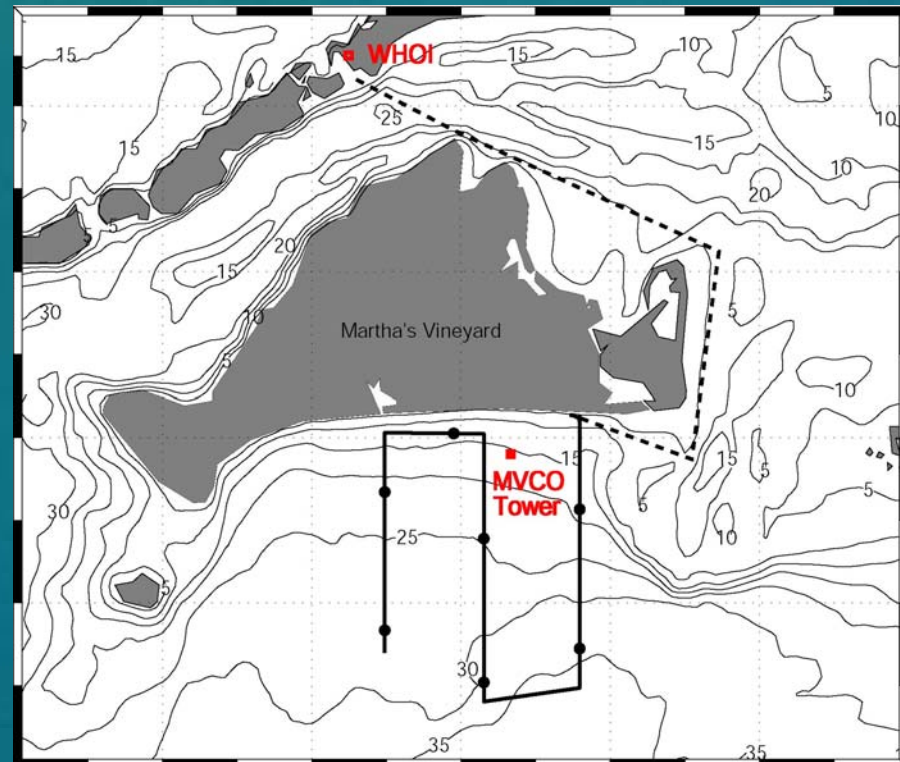
Autonomous Measurements of Temperature, Salinity and Currents over the Inner-Shelf at the Martha's Vineyard Coastal Observatory

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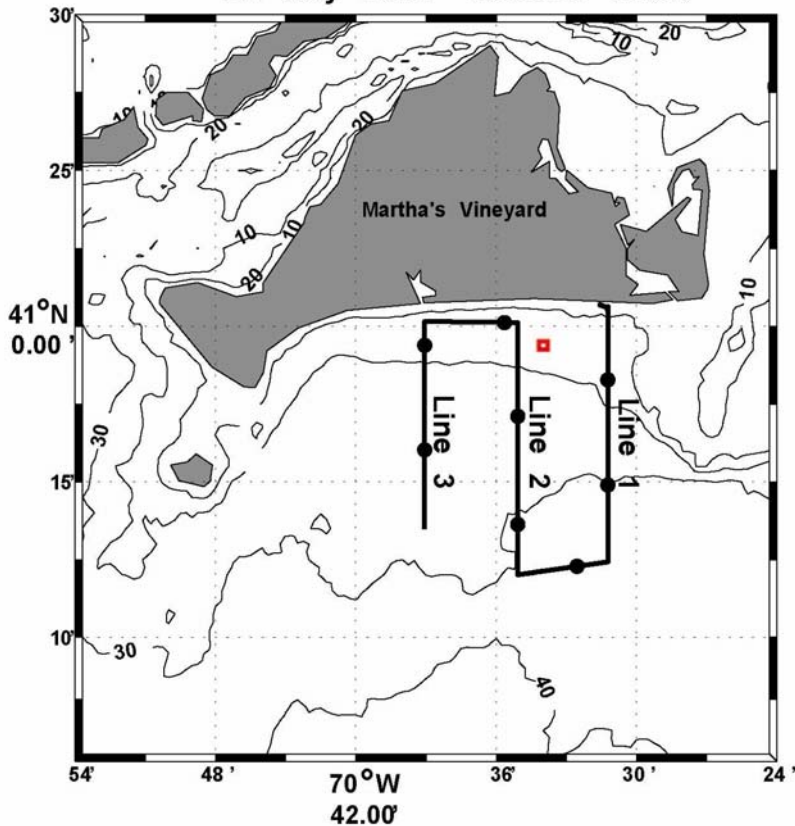


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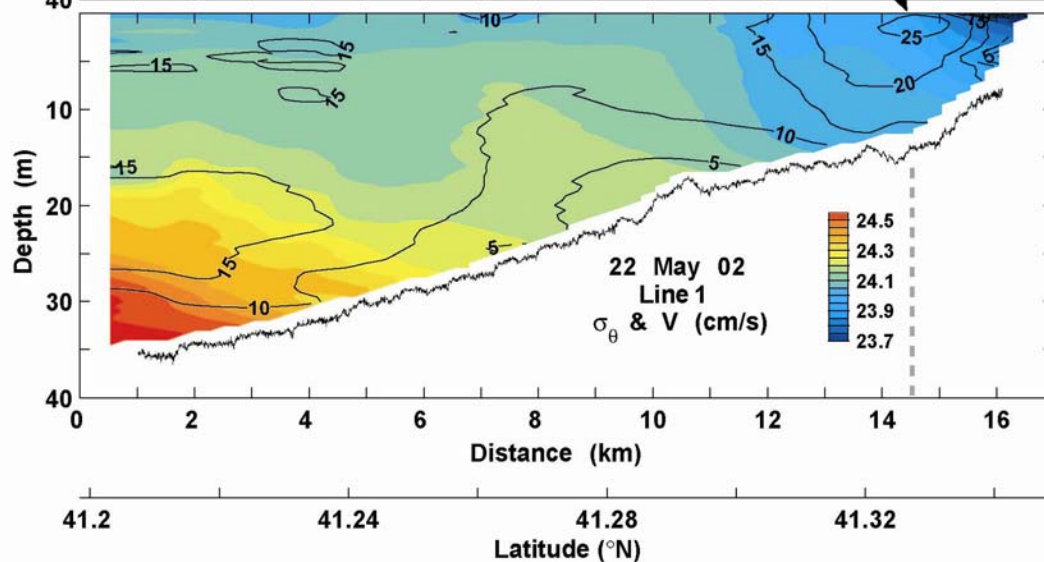
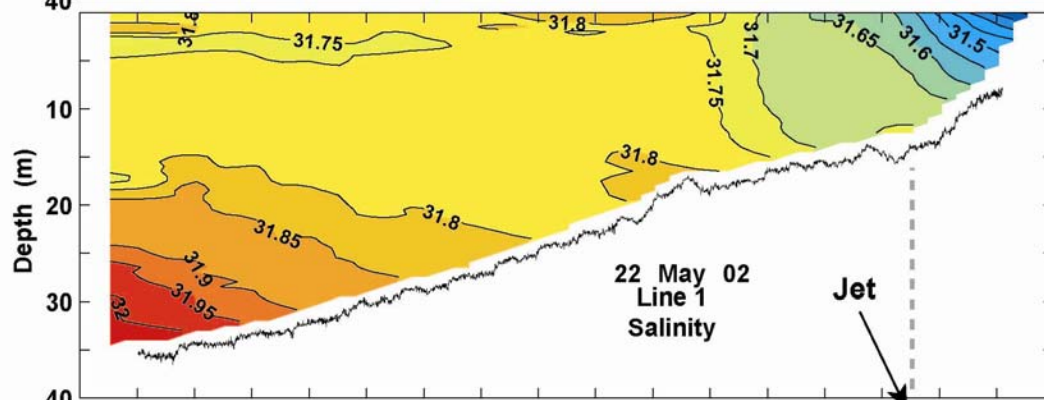
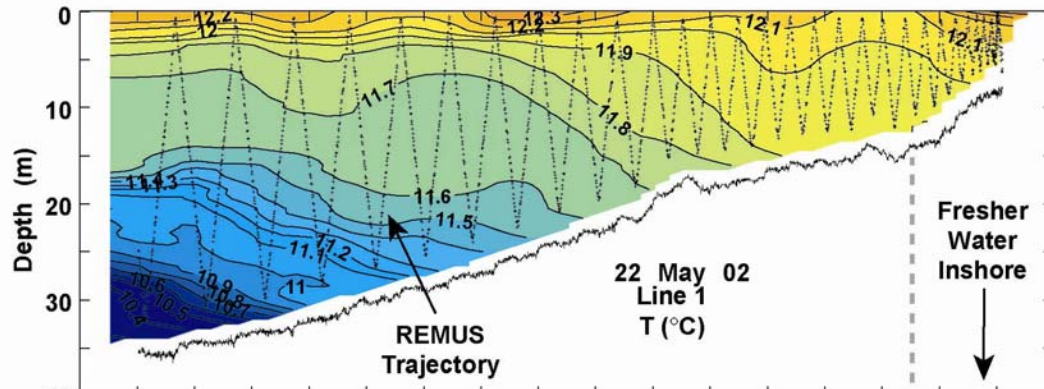
- Demonstrate utility of AUVs in observatory science
- Understand inner-shelf stratification variability



22 May 2002 REMUS Track



Line 1



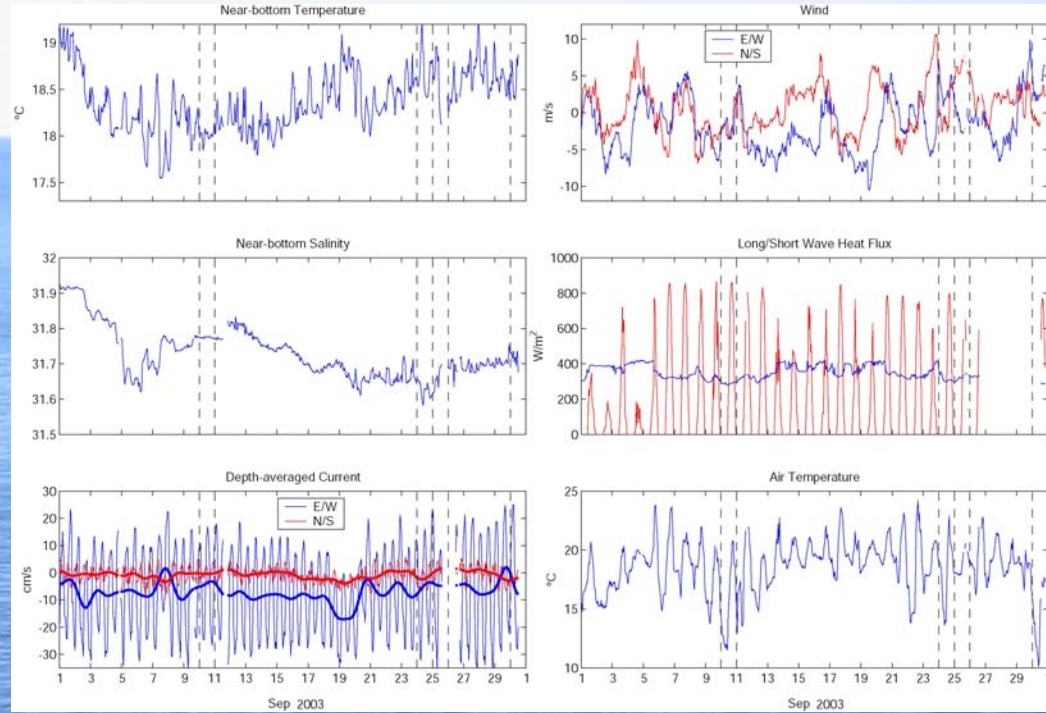
May 2002 Observations:

Fresh water plume inshore

~4 km wide

Strong (25 cm/s) along-shelf flow

Node ↘



Sep 2003 Observations:

Variable winds, zero mean

Weak subtidal current variability, but mean westward along-shelf flow

Semidiurnal buoyant plume now warm not fresh

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Motivation (1)

Model evaluation:

Compare model heat budget to observations:

- Evaluate heat budget sensitivity to vertical turbulent closures in ROMS
- Evaluate heat budget sensitivity to air-sea flux bulk formulae
- Evaluate contribution to hind-cast skill of meteorological model (COAMPS) compared to using observed marine boundary layer conditions

Motivation (2)

Observational data analysis:

Horizontal mixing and advection are largely unobserved by the CBLAST field instrumentation.

This affects closure of the observed heat budget, especially:

- Advection of vertically mixed waters originating on the Nantucket Shoals
- Advection past MVCO of tidally generated eddies transporting Vineyard Sound water through Muskeget channel

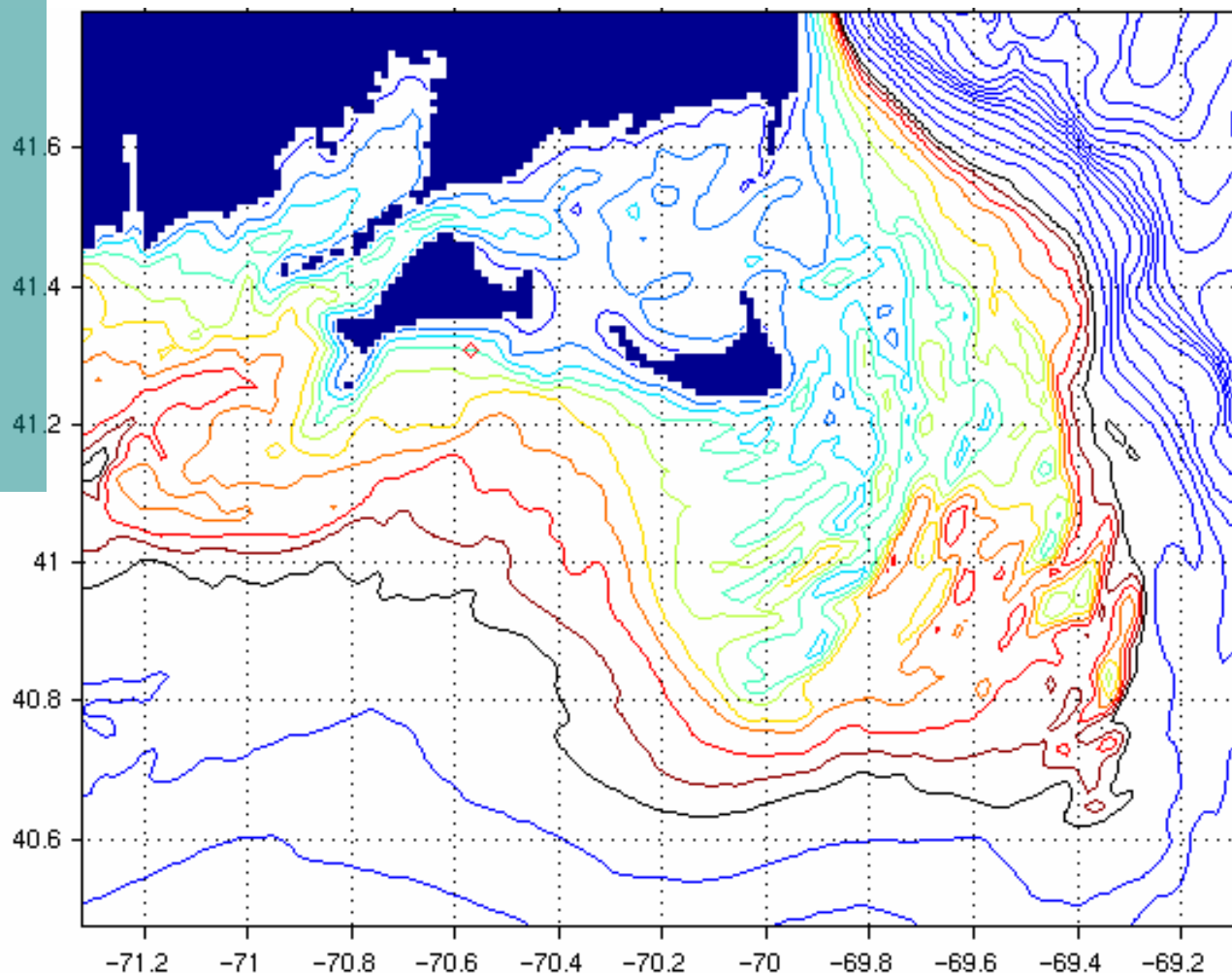
1 km grid resolution

20 vertical levels
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Initial and
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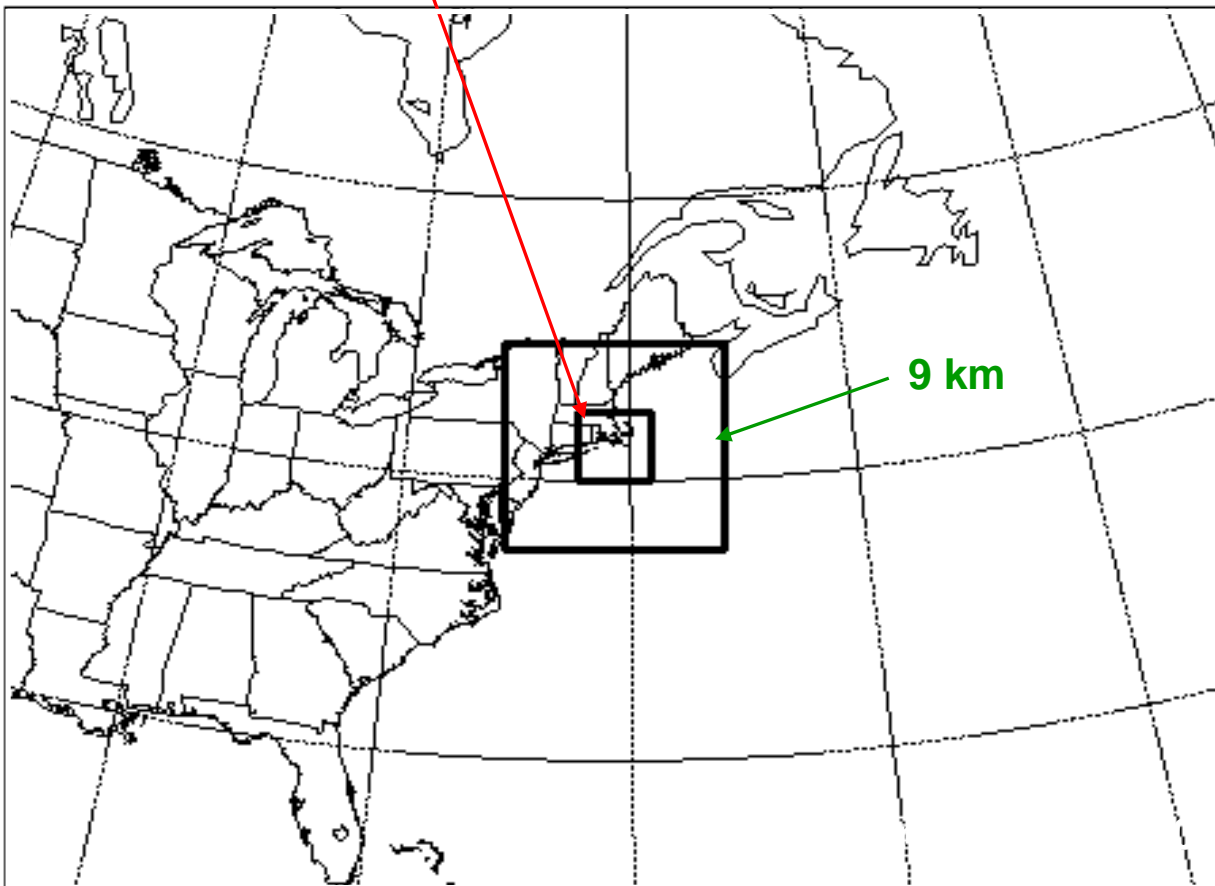
Tides

ROMS CBLAST domain



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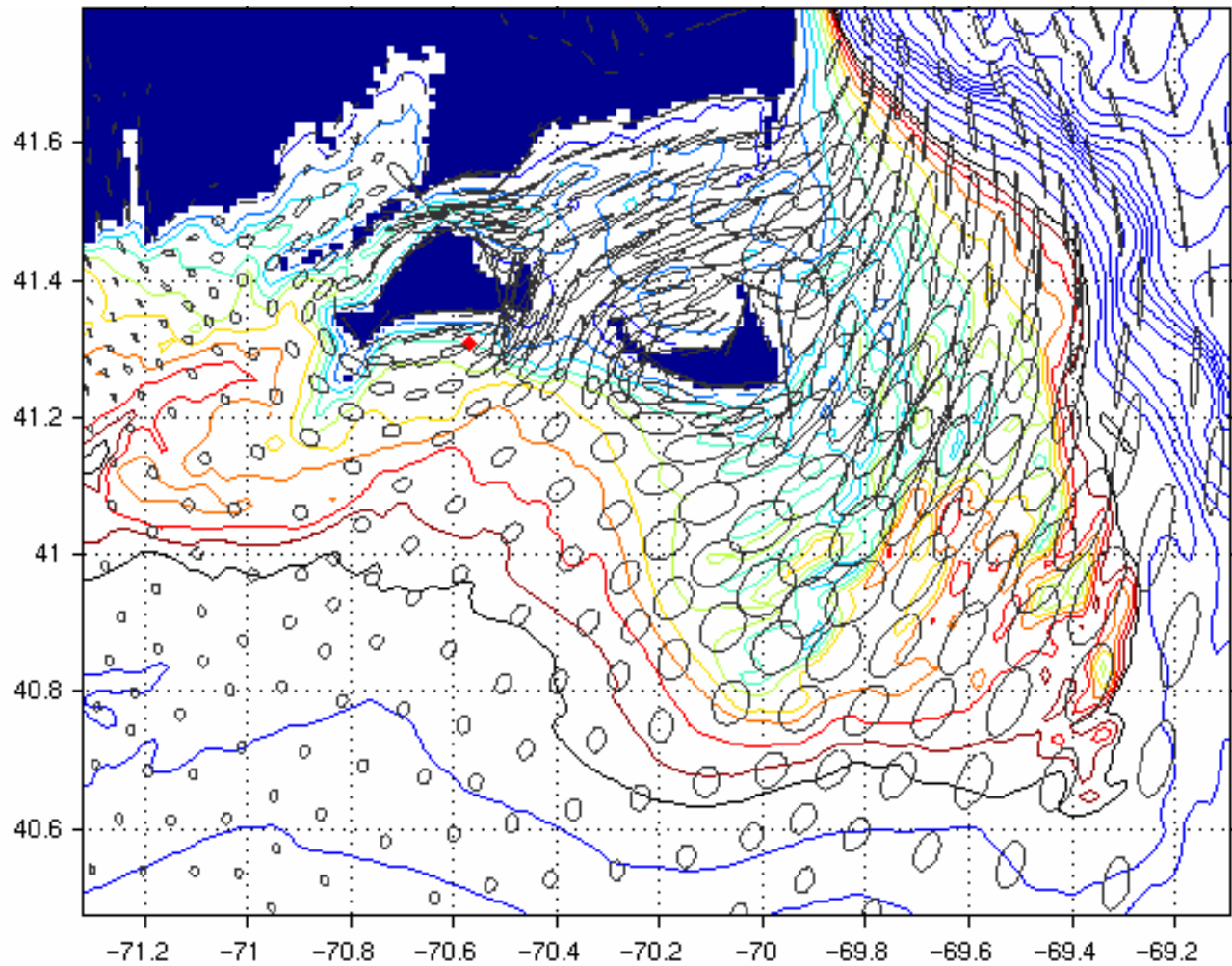
COAMPS CBLAST, 3km, 91x91



Heat and momentum fluxes from bulk formulae

- model SST
- T_{air} , p_{air} , q_{air} , u_{10} , v_{10} from 3-km resolution nested COAMPS 6-72 hr forecast
- observed downward shortwave and long-wave at MVCO

Tidal elevation and depth-average velocity are imposed at the ROMS domain open boundary



M₂ tide displacement ellipses from ADCIRC

ROMS model attributes

Split-explicit, free-surface, hydrostatic, primitive equation model

Generalized, terrain-following vertical coordinates and orthogonal curvilinear, horizontal coordinates, Arakawa C-grid

3rd-order upstream-biased advection

Split-explicit time-stepping of barotropic/baroclinic modes
Generalized, terrain-following vertical coordinates and orthogonal curvilinear, horizontal coordinates, Arakawa C-grid

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Split-explicit time-stepping of barotropic/baroclinic modes constrained for conservation of volume and tracer constancy in time-evolving coordinate system (due to free-surface)

Split-explicit time-stepping of barotropic/baroclinic modes
Conservation of volume and tracer constancy in time-evolving coordinate system (due to free-surface)
Continuous reconstruction of vertical gradients to maintain high-order accuracy
Parallel distributed- and shared-memory portable F90/F95 code

Continuous, monotonic reconstruction of vertical gradients to maintain high-order accuracy

Dynamic allocation of memory via de-referenced pointer structures (multiple levels of nesting)

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PROGRAM ocean,10

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! Regional Ocean Model System (ROMS), Version 2.1
! Terrain-following Ocean Model System (TOMS), Version 2.1
!
! Master program to execute ROMS/TOMS in ocean mode only without
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! This ocean model solves the free surface, hydrostatic, primitive
! equations over variable topography using stretched terrain-
! following coordinates in the vertical and orthogonal curvilinear
! coordinates in the horizontal.
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ROMS 2.1 Released

ROMS/TOMS 2.1 Release Notes

The Regional Ocean Model System (ROMS) is a free-surface, hydrostatic, primitive equation ocean model that uses stretched

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Introduction

There are at present within the field of ocean general circulation modeling four classes of numerical models which have achieved a significant level of community management and involvement, including shared community development, regular user interaction, and ready availability of software and documentation via the World Wide Web. These four classes are loosely characterized by their respective approaches to spatial discretization (finite difference, finite element, finite volume) and vertical coordinate treatment (geopotential, isopycnic, sigma, hybrid).

The earliest class of ocean models, and still the most widely applied, was pioneered by Kirk Bryan and his colleagues at GFDL utilizing low-order finite difference techniques applied to the oceanic primitive equations written in geopotential (z-based) coordinates. At present, variations on this first OGCM are in place at Harvard (Harvard Ocean Prediction System, [HOPS](#)), GFDL (Modular Ocean Model, MOM ([MOM](#)), the Los Alamos National Lab (Parallel Ocean Program, [POP](#)), the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR Community Ocean Model, [NCOM](#)), and other institutions. A set of geopotential models based upon a structured, finite volume discretization has also been developed at MIT ([MITgcm](#)).

During the 1970's, two competing approaches to vertical discretization and coordinate treatment made their way into ocean modeling. These alternatives were based respectively on vertical discretization in immiscible layers ("layered" models) and on terrain-following vertical coordinates ("sigma" coordinate models). In keeping with 1970's-style thinking on algorithms, both these model classes used (and, by and large, continue to use) low-order finite difference schemes similar to those employed in the geopotential coordinate models.

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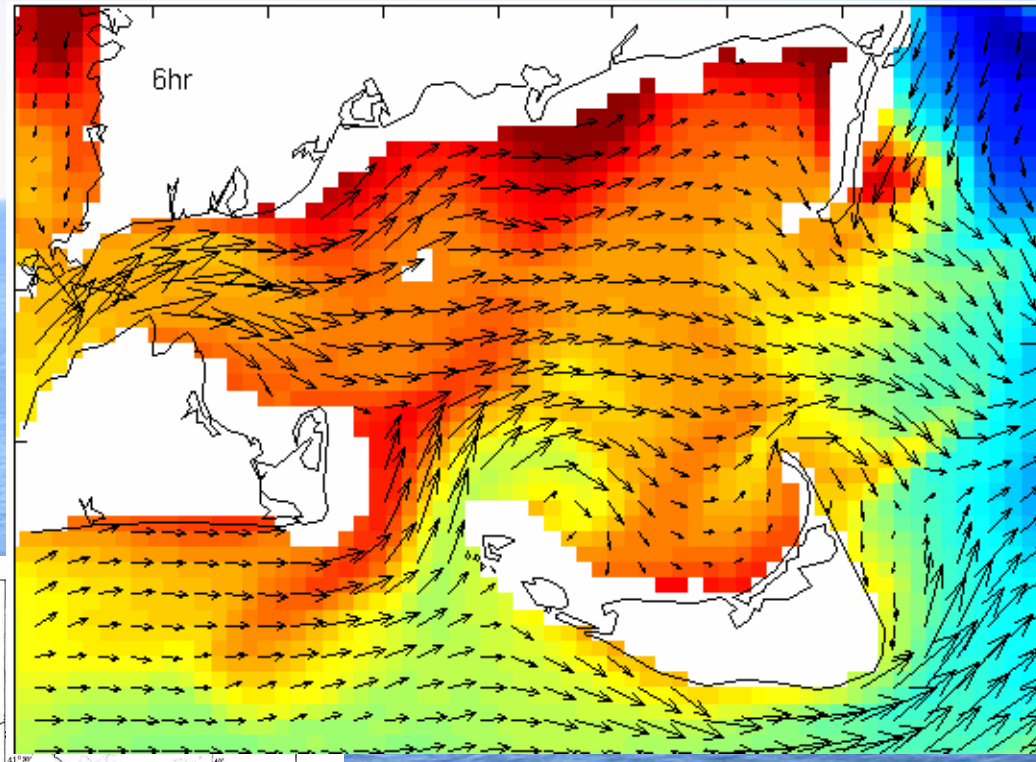
- Horizontal mixing of tracers along level, geopotential, isopycnic surfaces
- Transverse, isotropic stress tensor for momentum

Vertical turbulence closure options

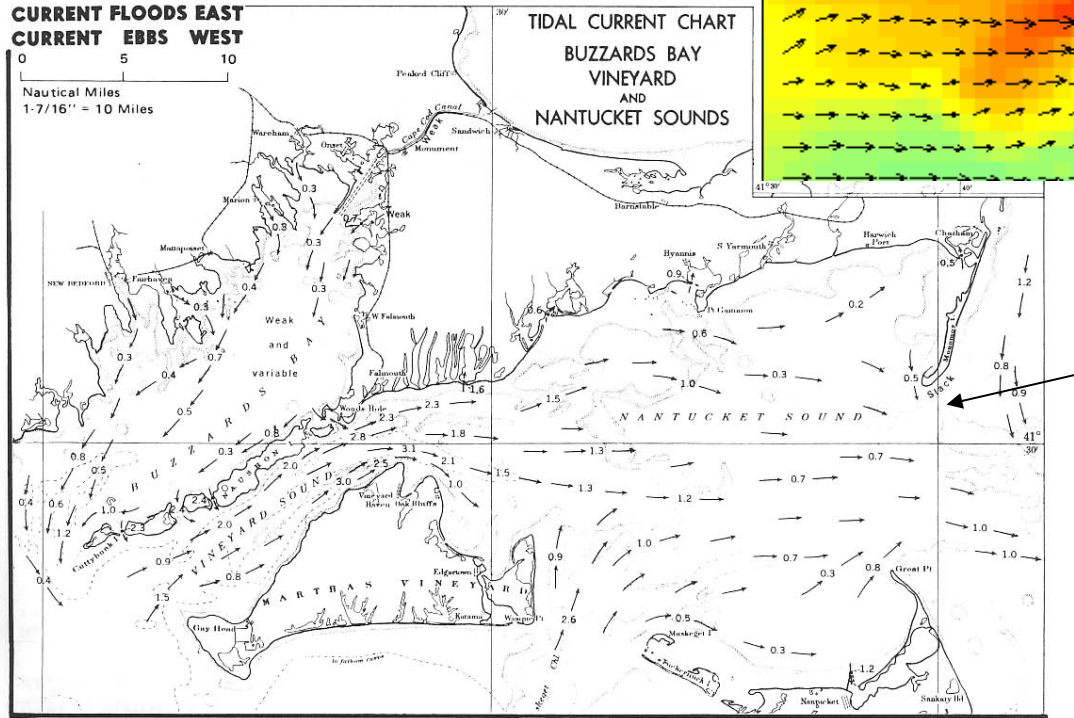
- Mellor-Yamada level 2.5
- k-profile parameterization (KPP) surface and bottom closure scheme (Large et al., 1994, Durski et al., 2001)
- Generalized Ocean Turbulence Model*
 - 2 (dynamic) equations for turbulent kinetic energy and a generic macro length scale
 - Eddy viscosity and diffusivity product TKE, length scale and a non-dimensional stability function
 - The stability functions are the result of various second-moment closures
 - Encompasses k- ϵ , k- ω , k-kl (Mellor-Yamada) and others

From "Eldridge's Tide Tables"

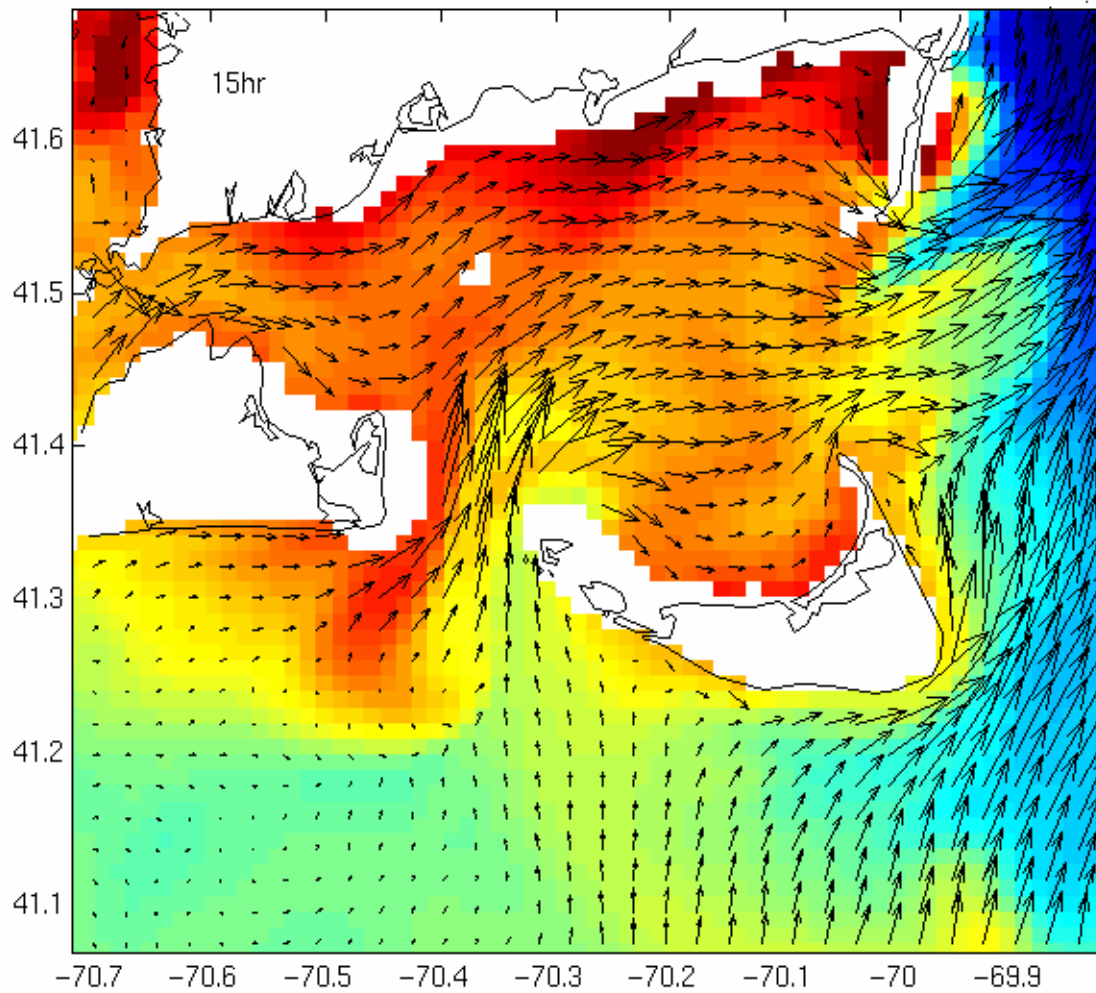
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OR: 4 hours AFTER
low water at Boston



Pollock Rip Channel
(slack water at
beginning of ebb)



EBB STARTS AT POLLOCK RIP CHANNEL
OR: 4 HOURS AFTER LOW WATER AT BOSTON
Velocities shown are at Spring Tides. See Note at Bottom of Boston Tables:
Rule-of-Thumb for Current Velocities. (Pollock Rip Ch. is SE of Monomoy Pt.)



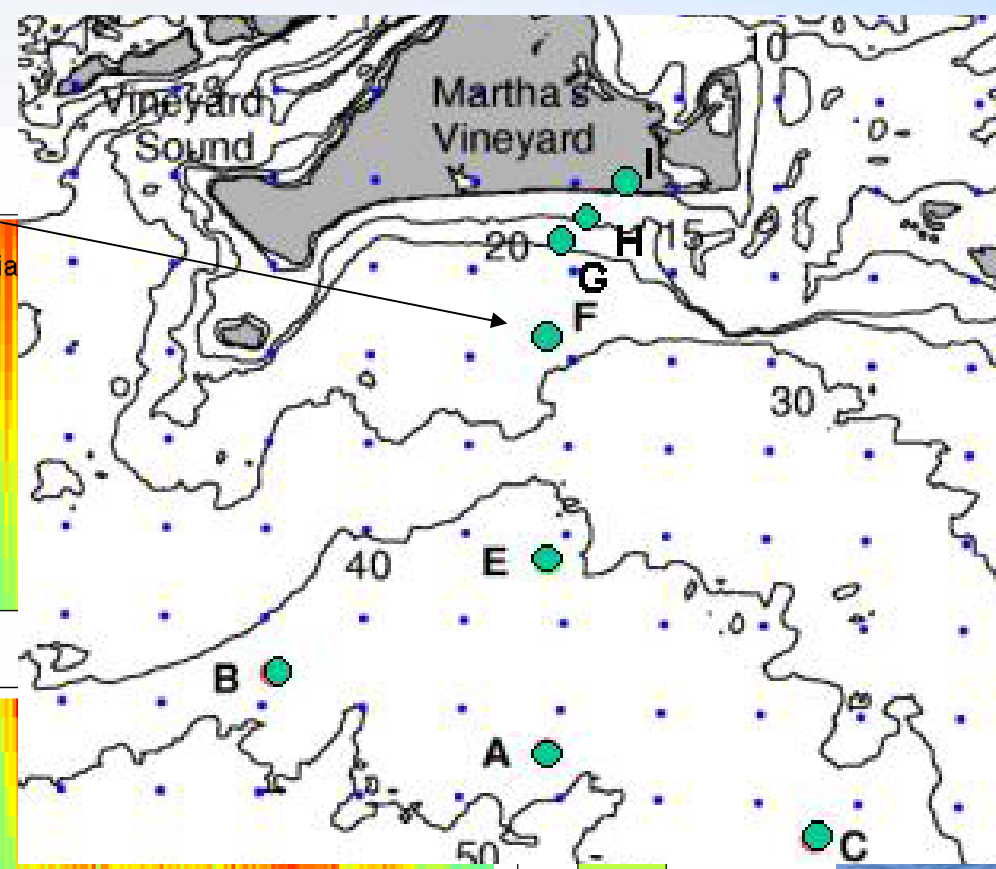
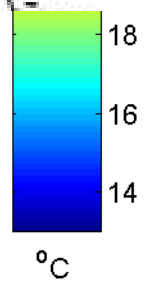
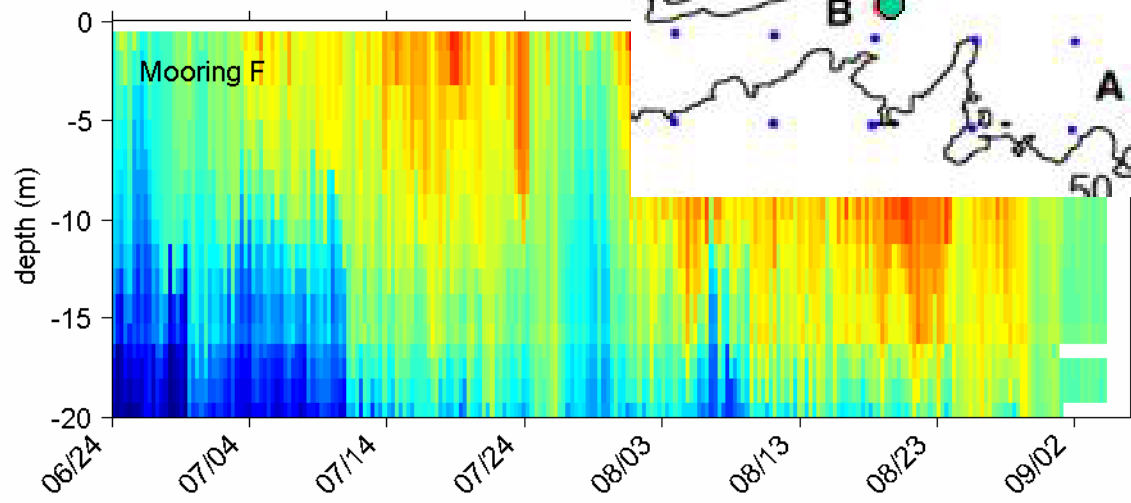
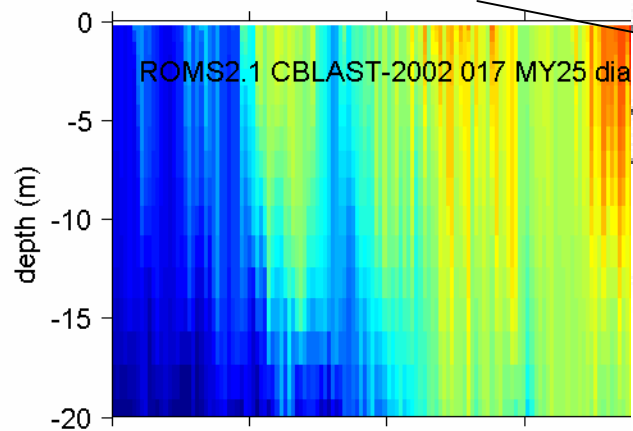
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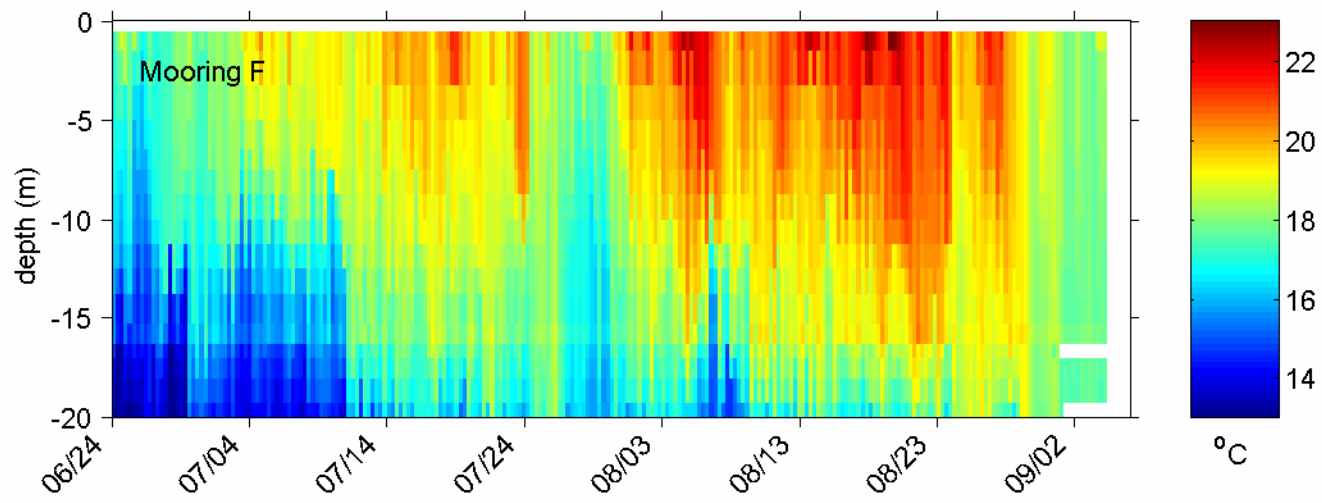
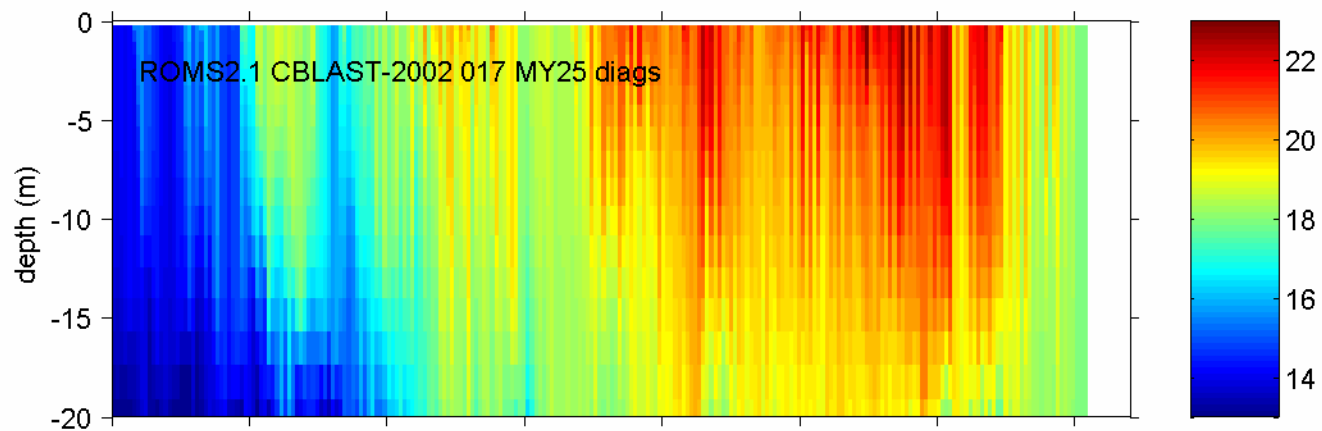
- Example: Compare model to mooring temperature time series

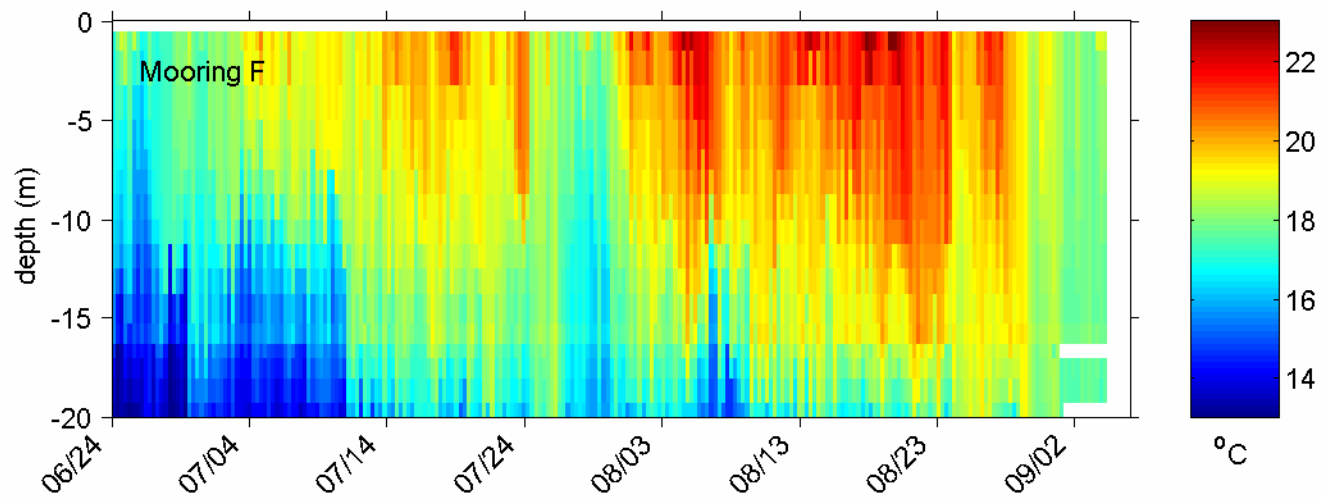
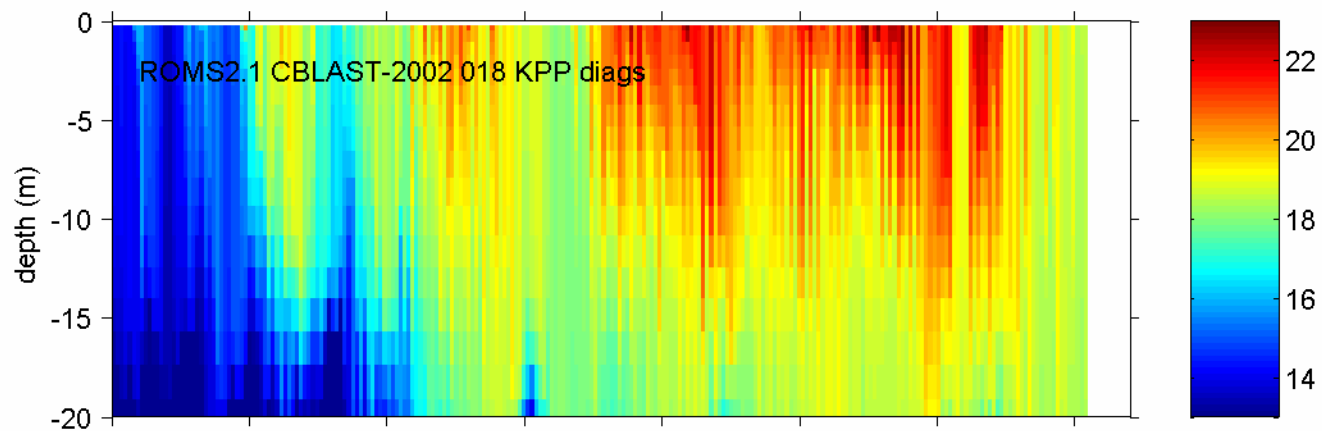
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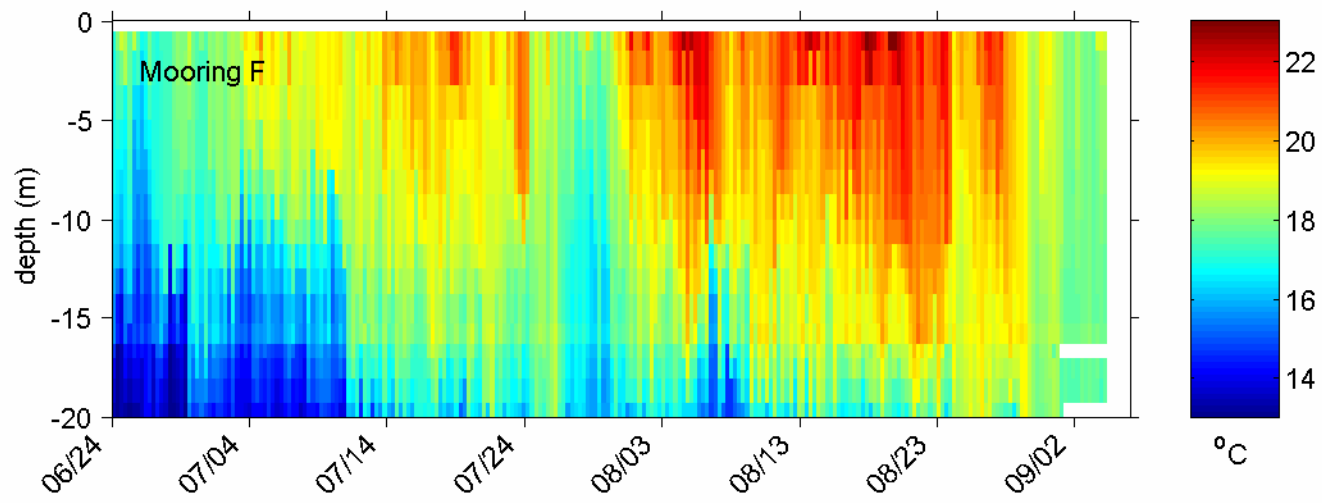
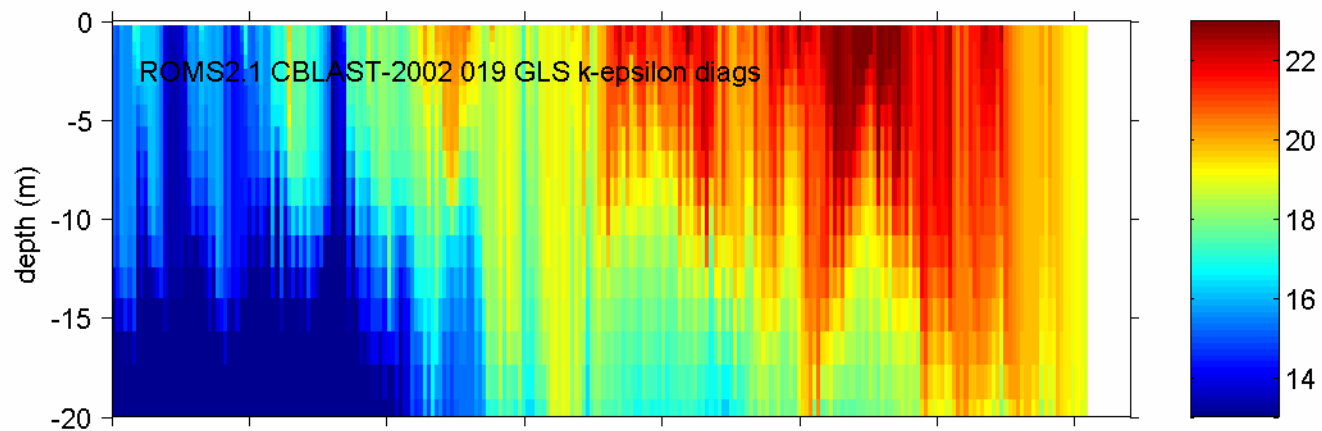
- Example: Vertical turbulence closure parameterization

Mooring F

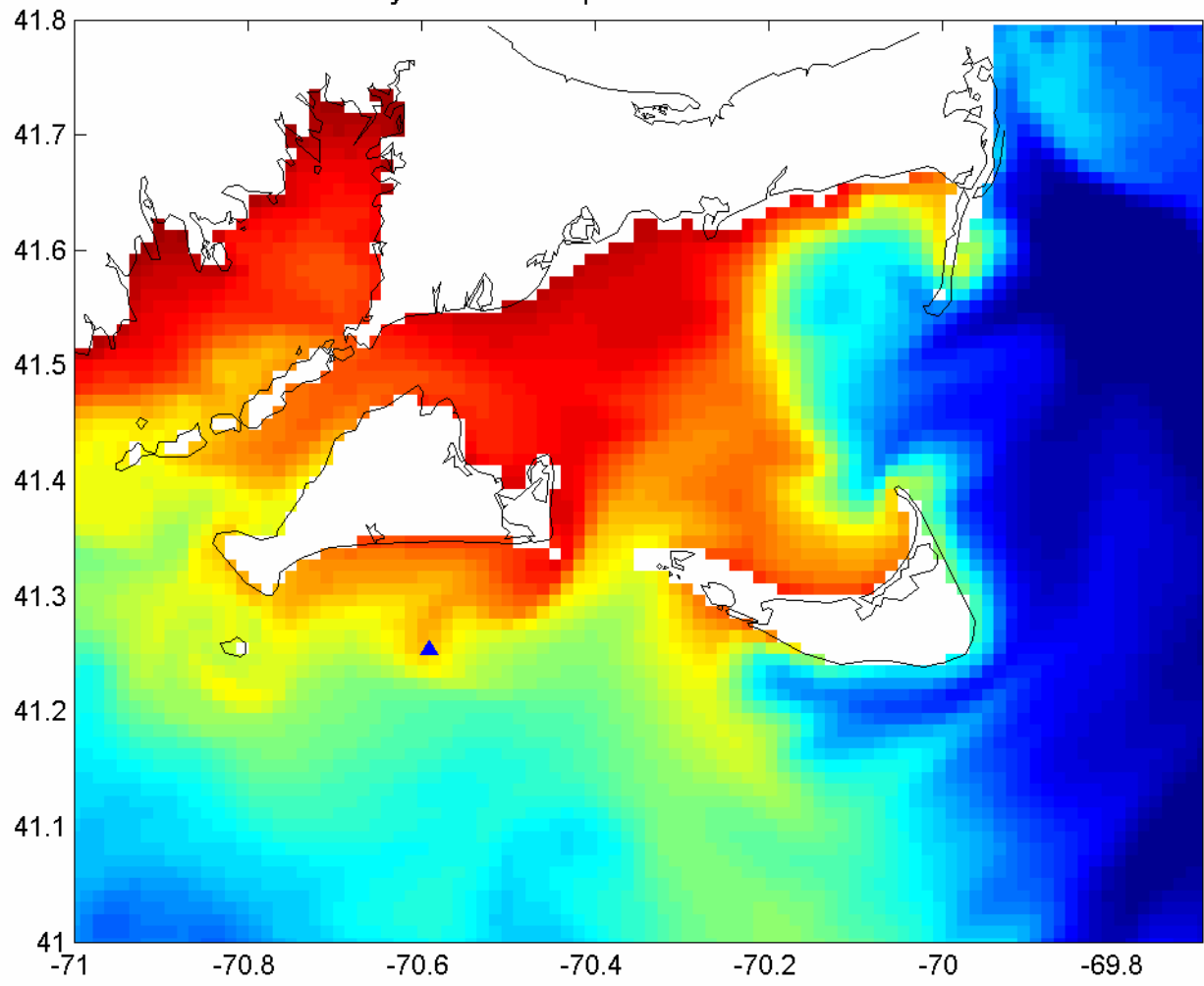




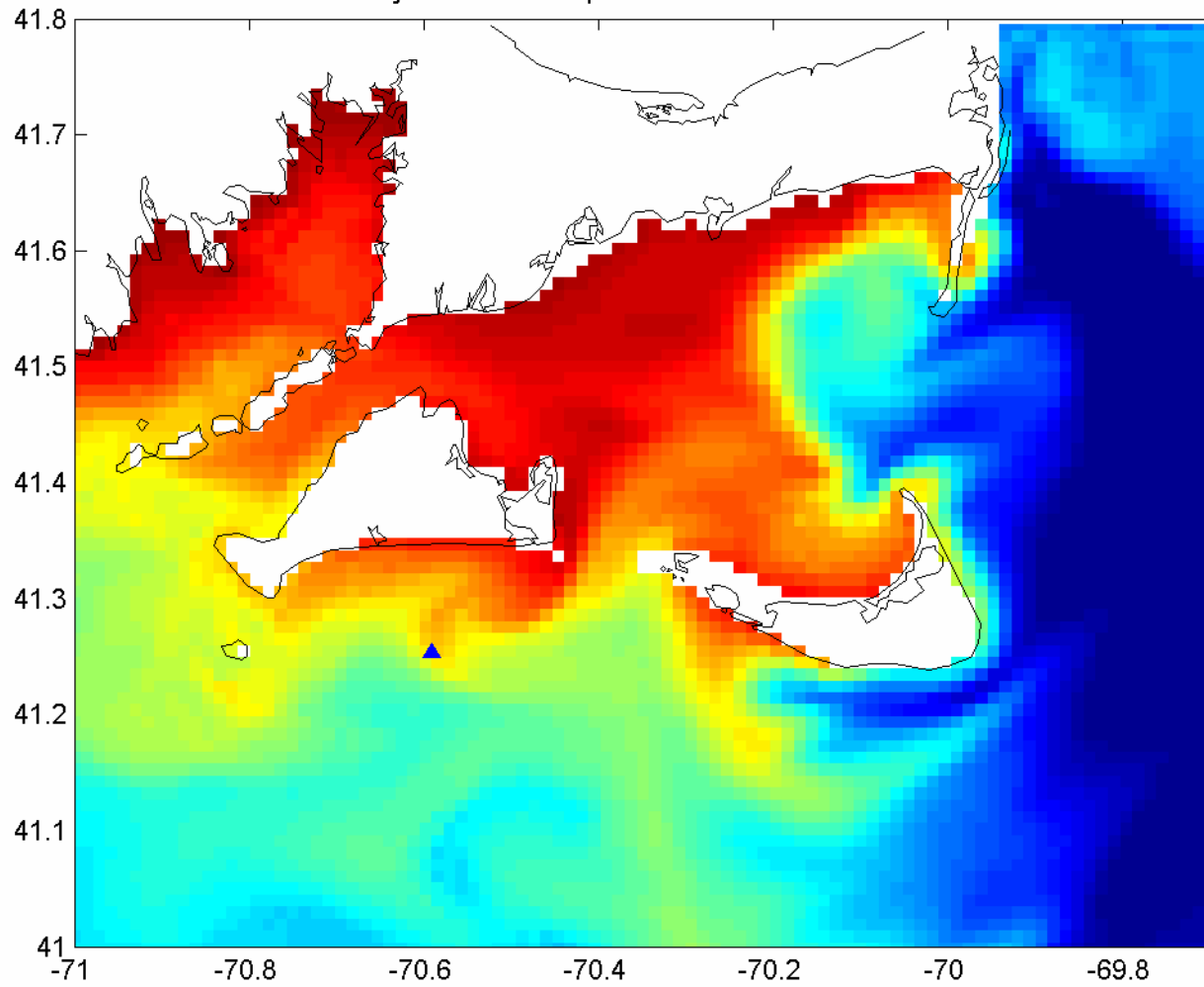




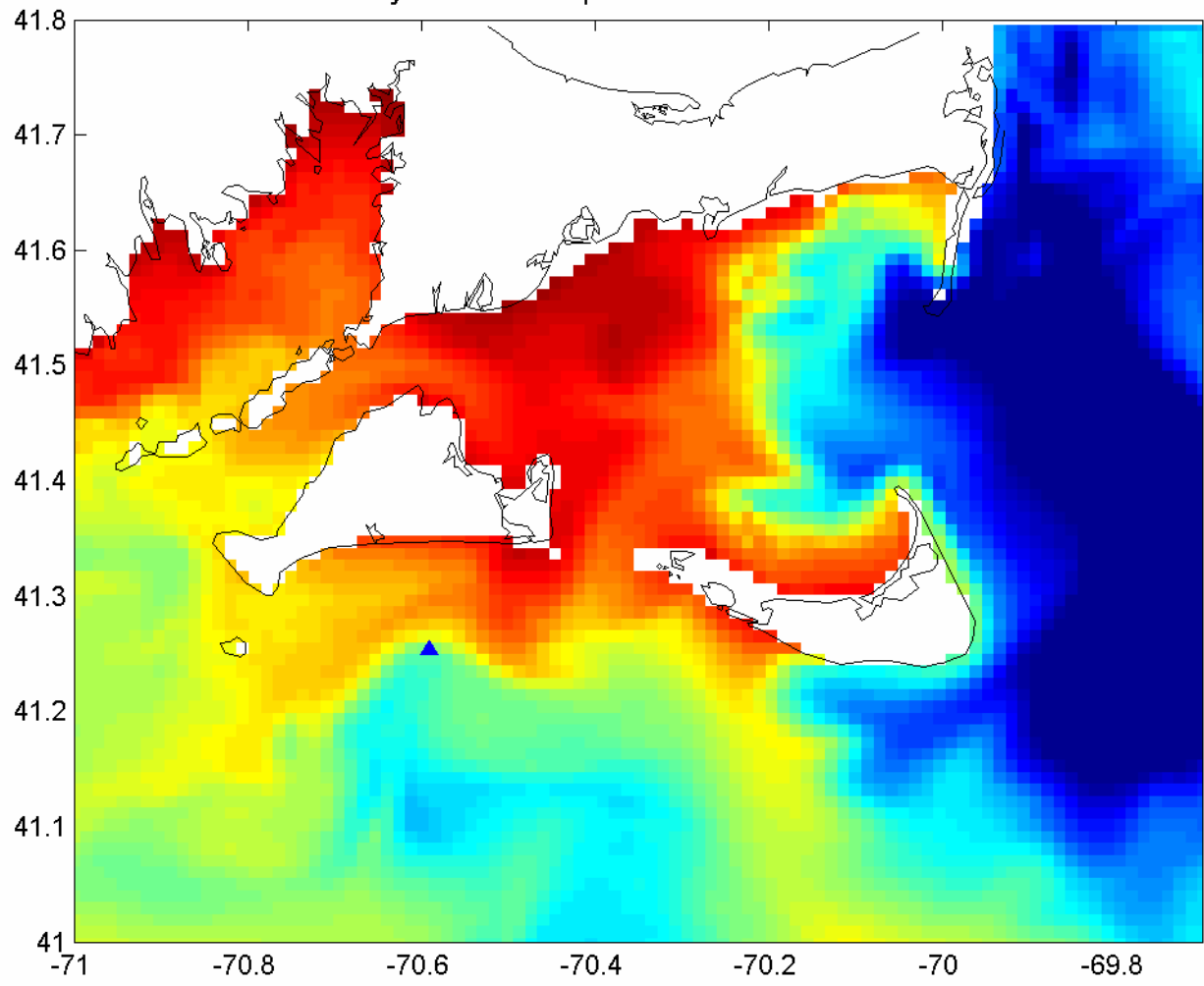
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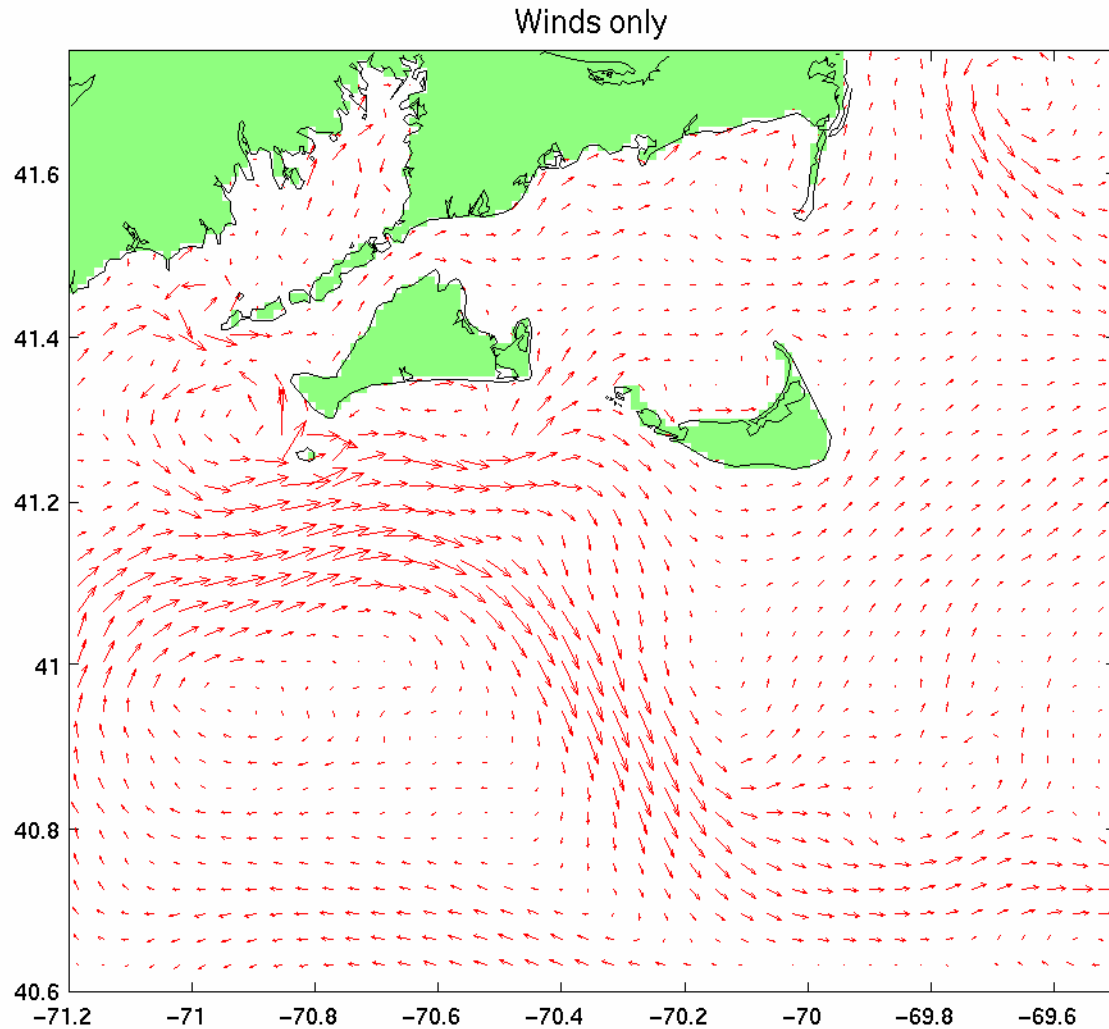


Using models for understanding regional ocean
processes, or ...

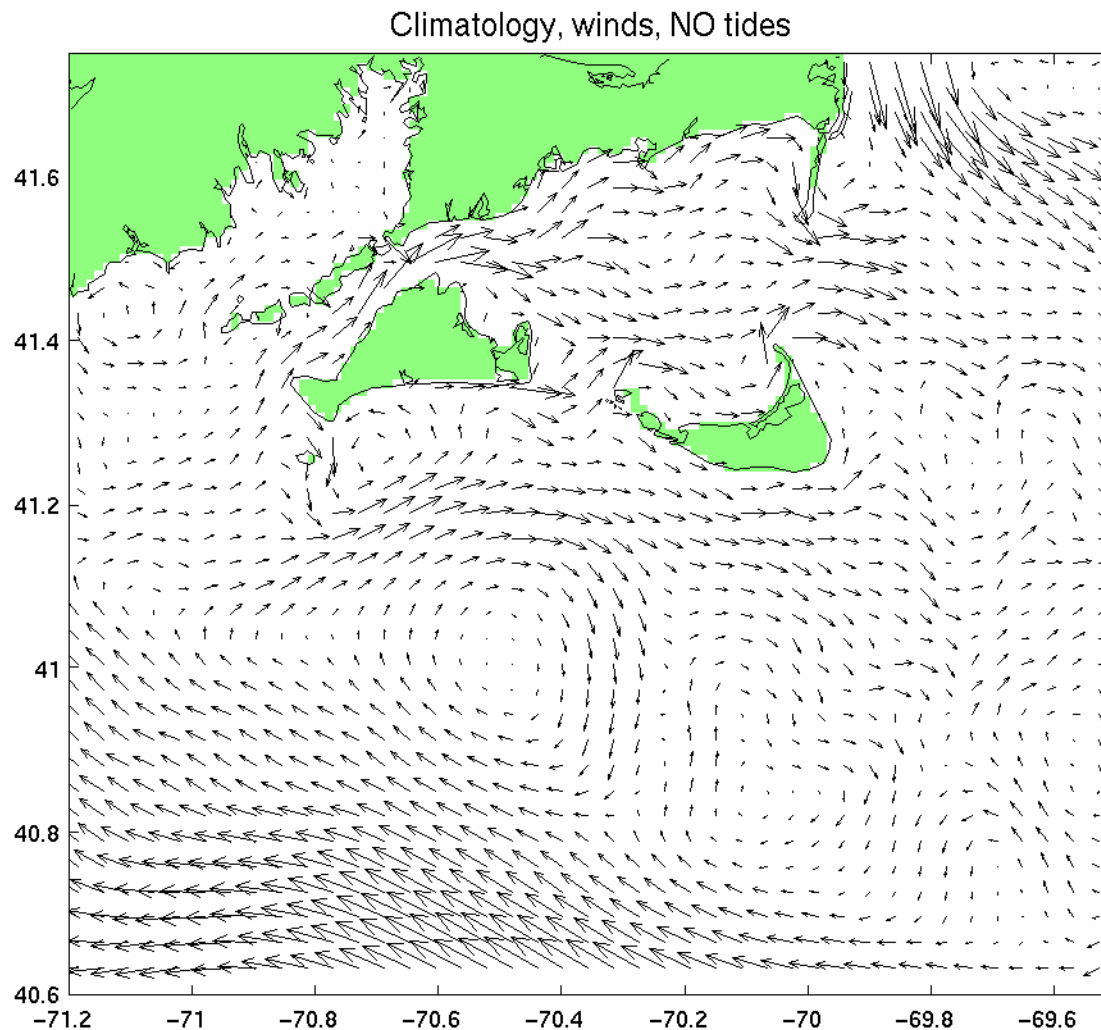
**Never mind the forecast ...
let's learn something about the ocean**

Southwest of Martha's Vineyard, and within Vineyard Sound, winds drive eastward depth averaged flow.

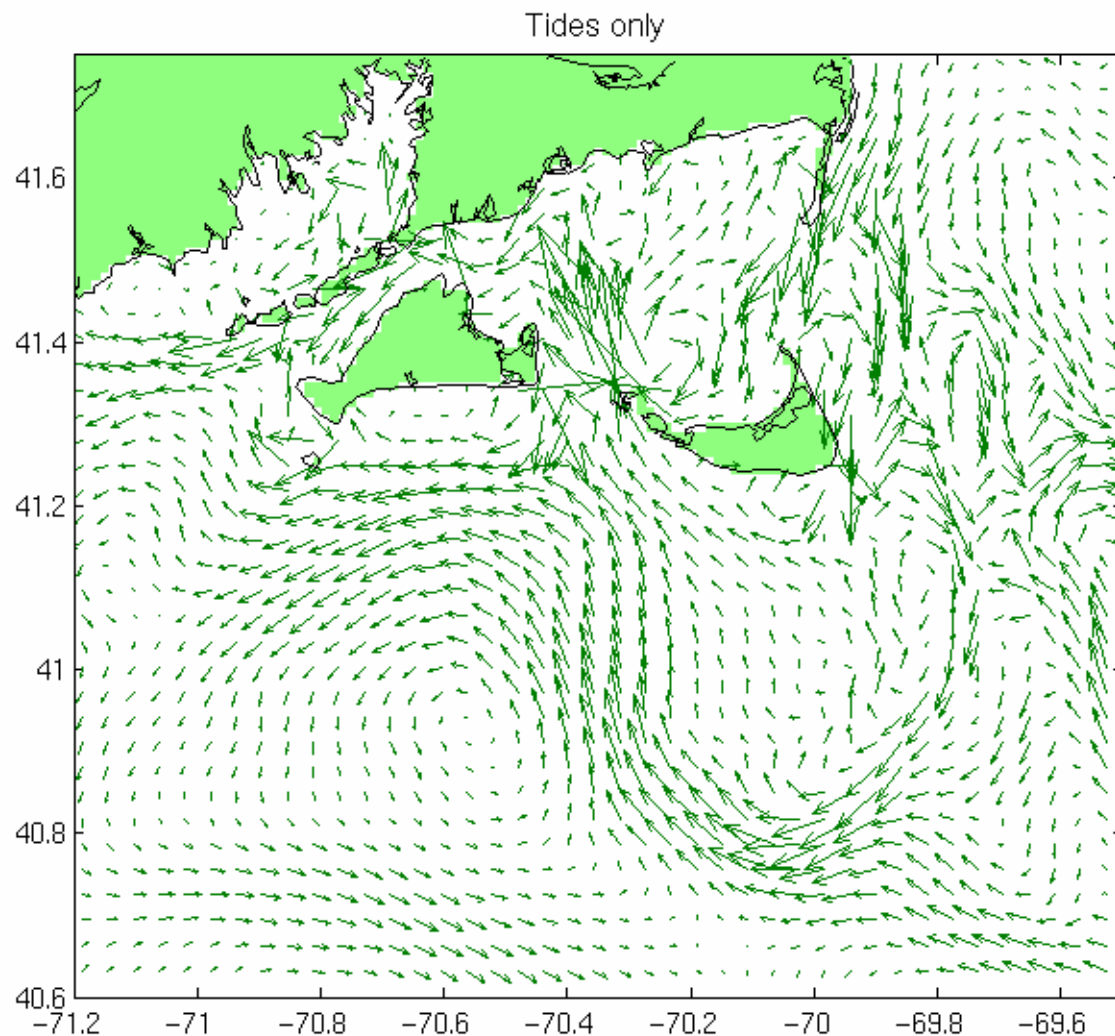
The field experiment you can't do:
Turn physics off and on.



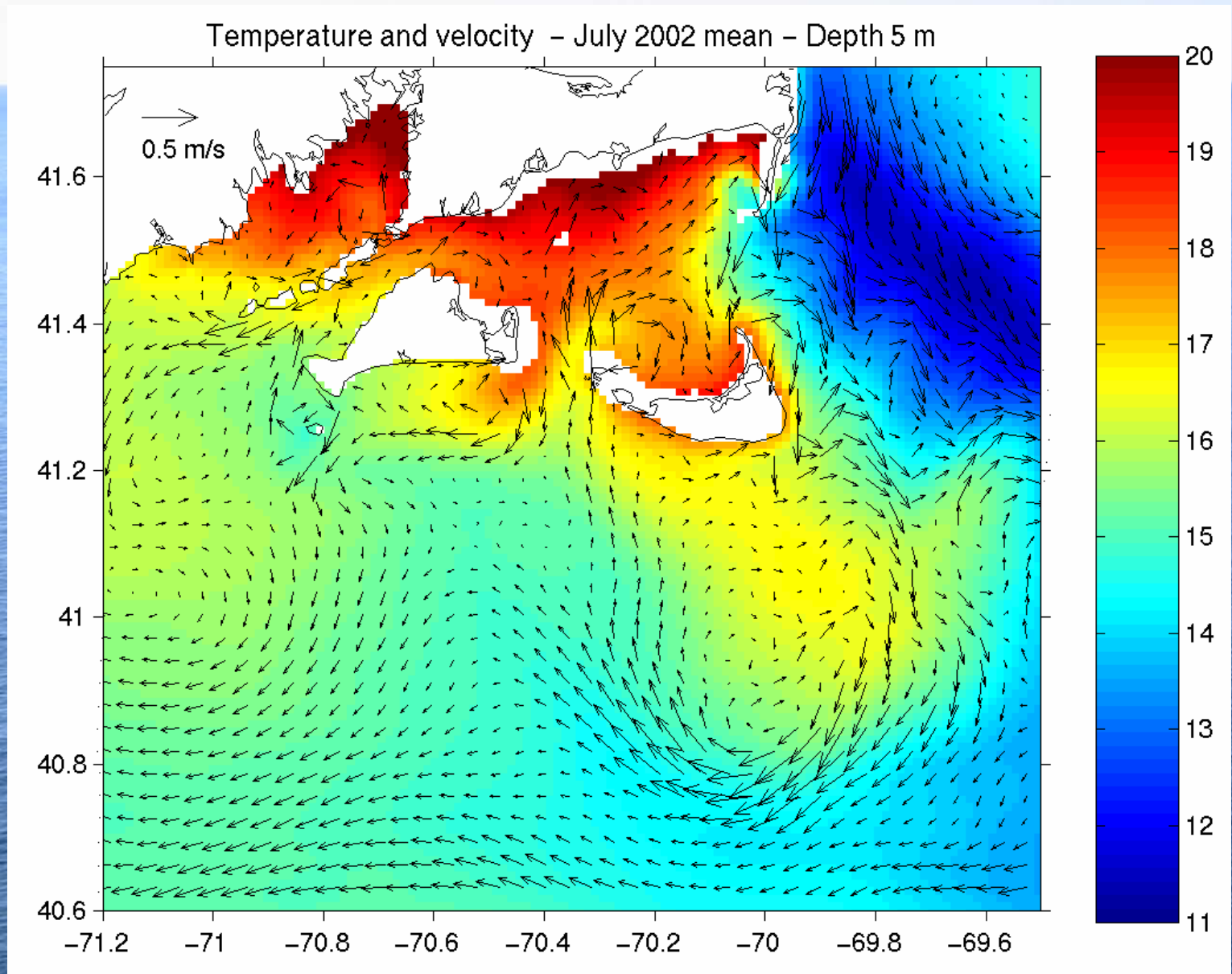
The open boundary climatology imposes a south and westward flow from the Gulf of Maine, through Great South Channel and around Nantucket Shoals.



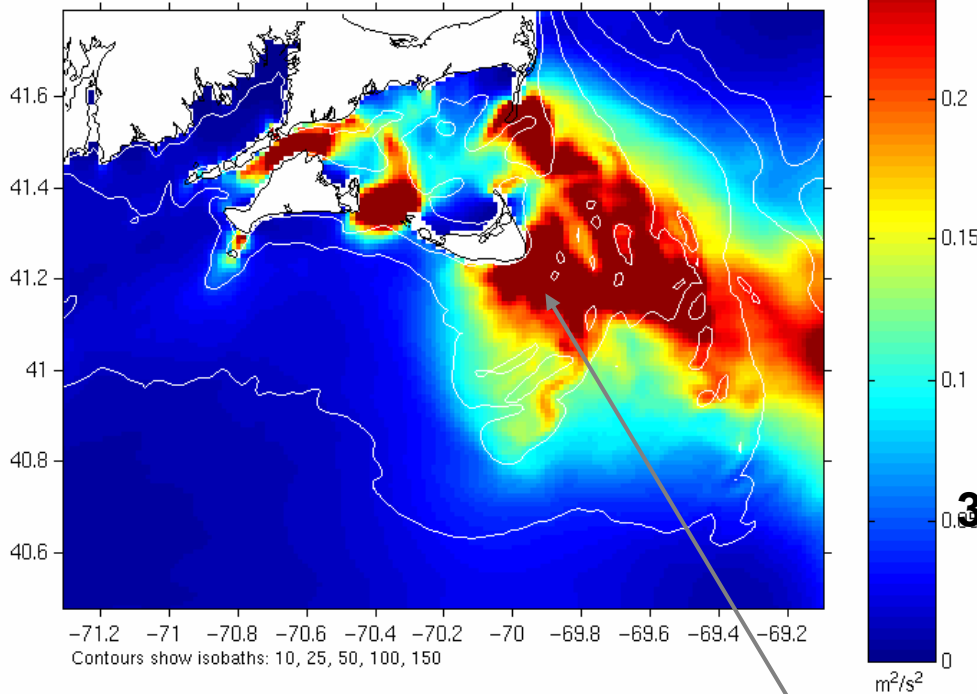
Circulation around Nantucket Shoals is augmented by tidal rectified anti-cyclonic flow that carries water into Vineyard Sound through Muskeget Channel



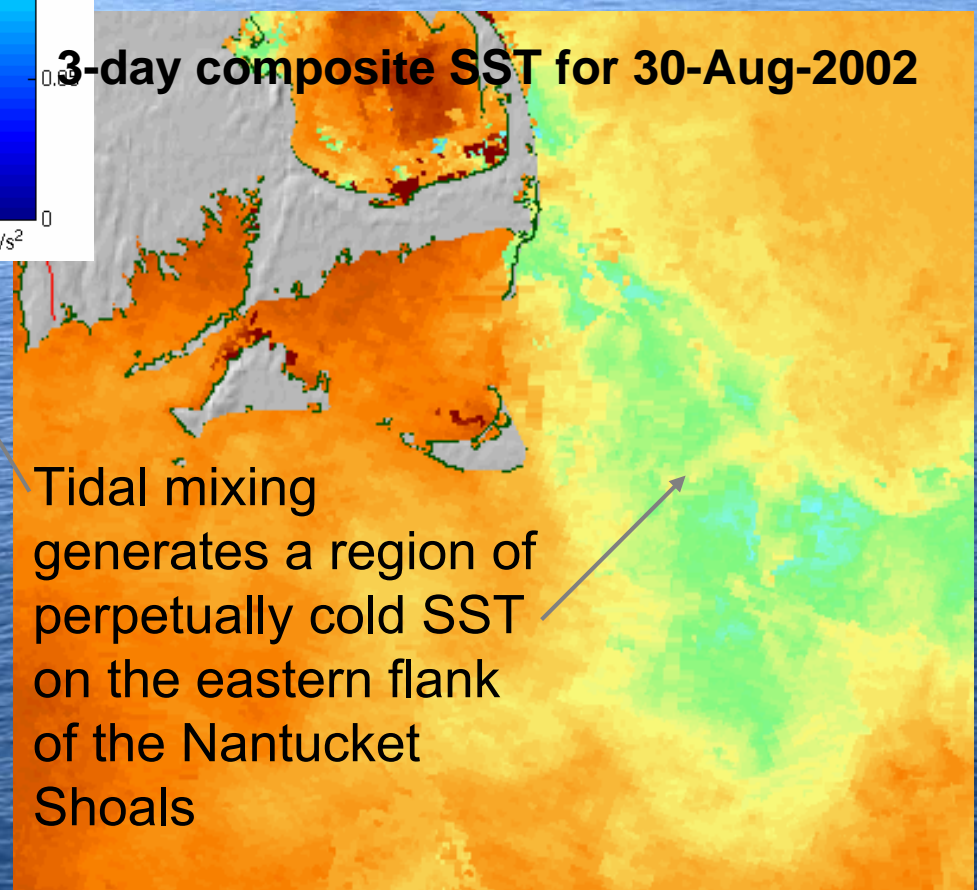
Put it all together and you get:



Eddy kinetic energy



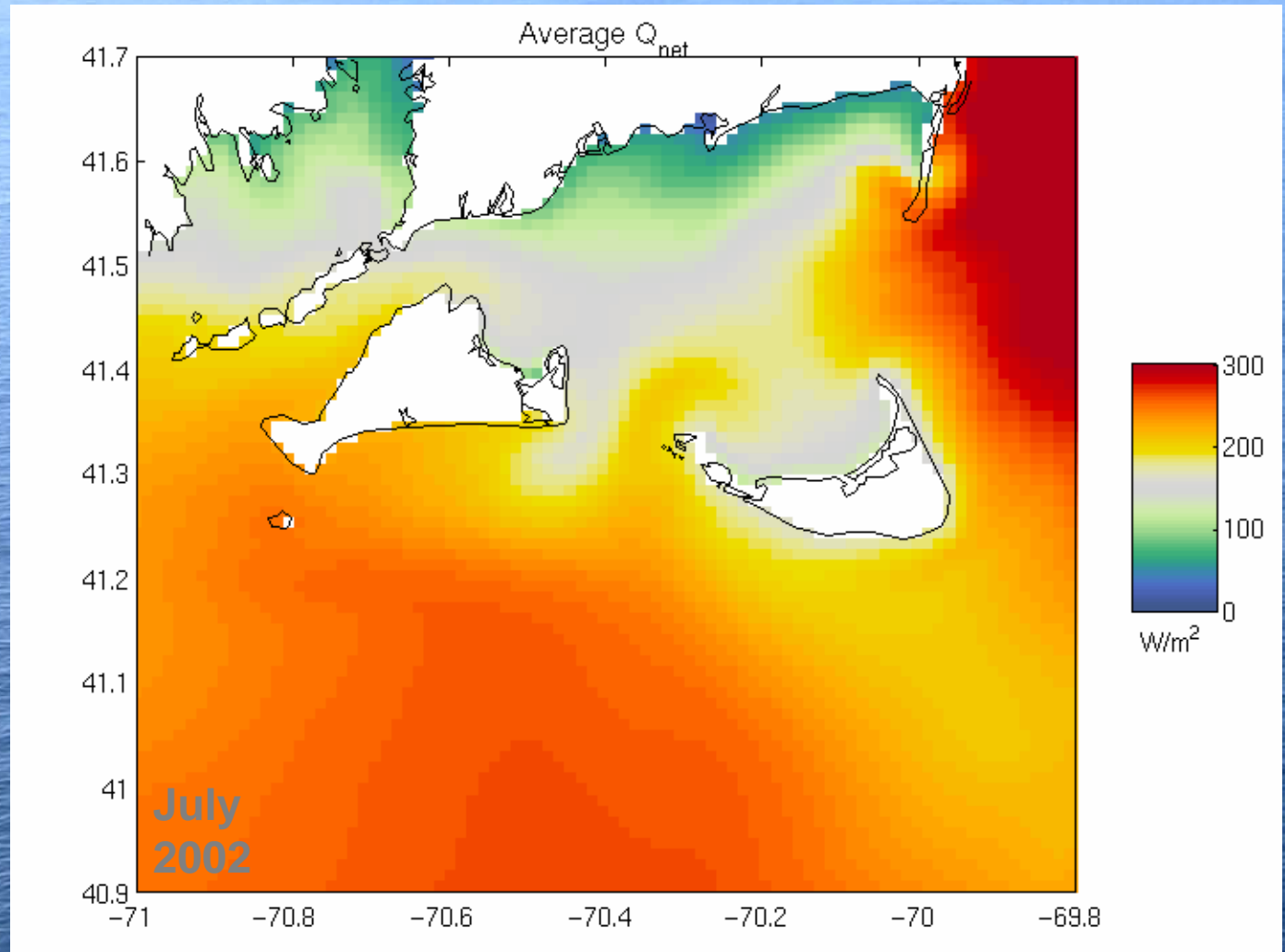
3-day composite SST for 30-Aug-2002



Tidal mixing generates a region of perpetually cold SST on the eastern flank of the Nantucket Shoals

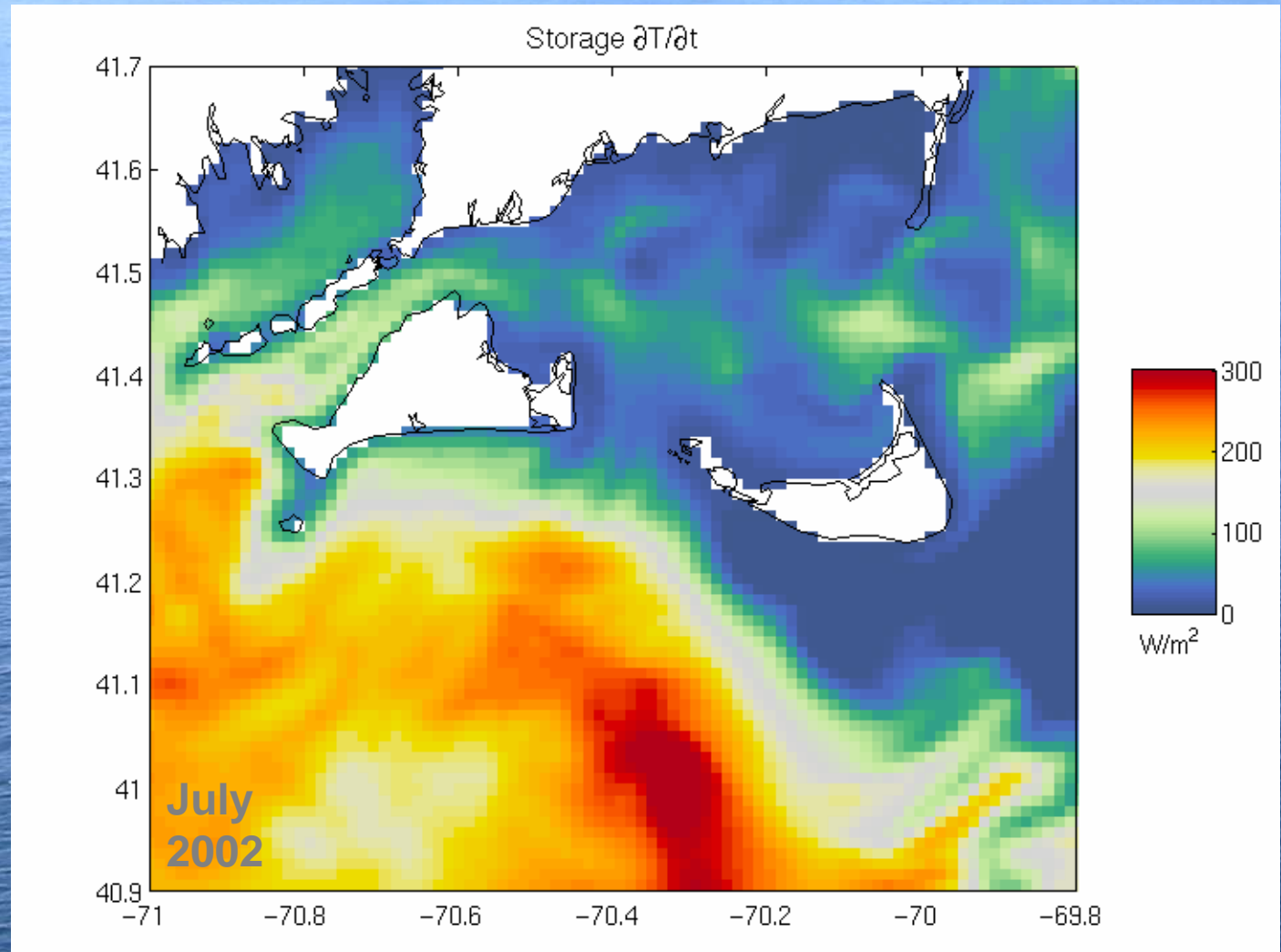
Air-sea flux (Q_{net}) is greatest east of Vineyard Sound where SST is cold, but is largely balanced by divergence due to tidal mixing.

Positive
warms the
ocean



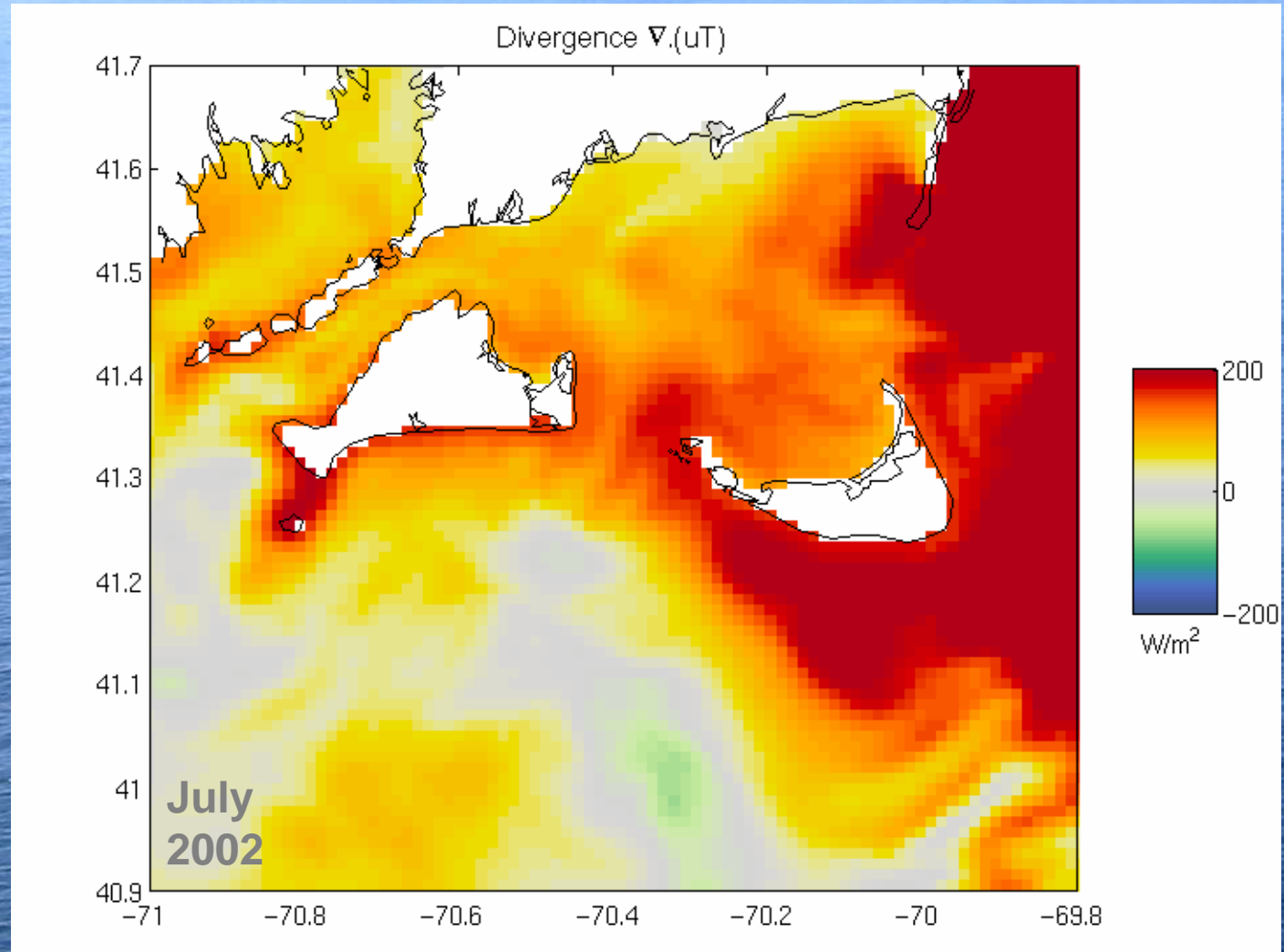
Ocean temperature increase (storage) is largest south of The Islands, primarily due to surface heating.

Positive, the ocean is getting warmer

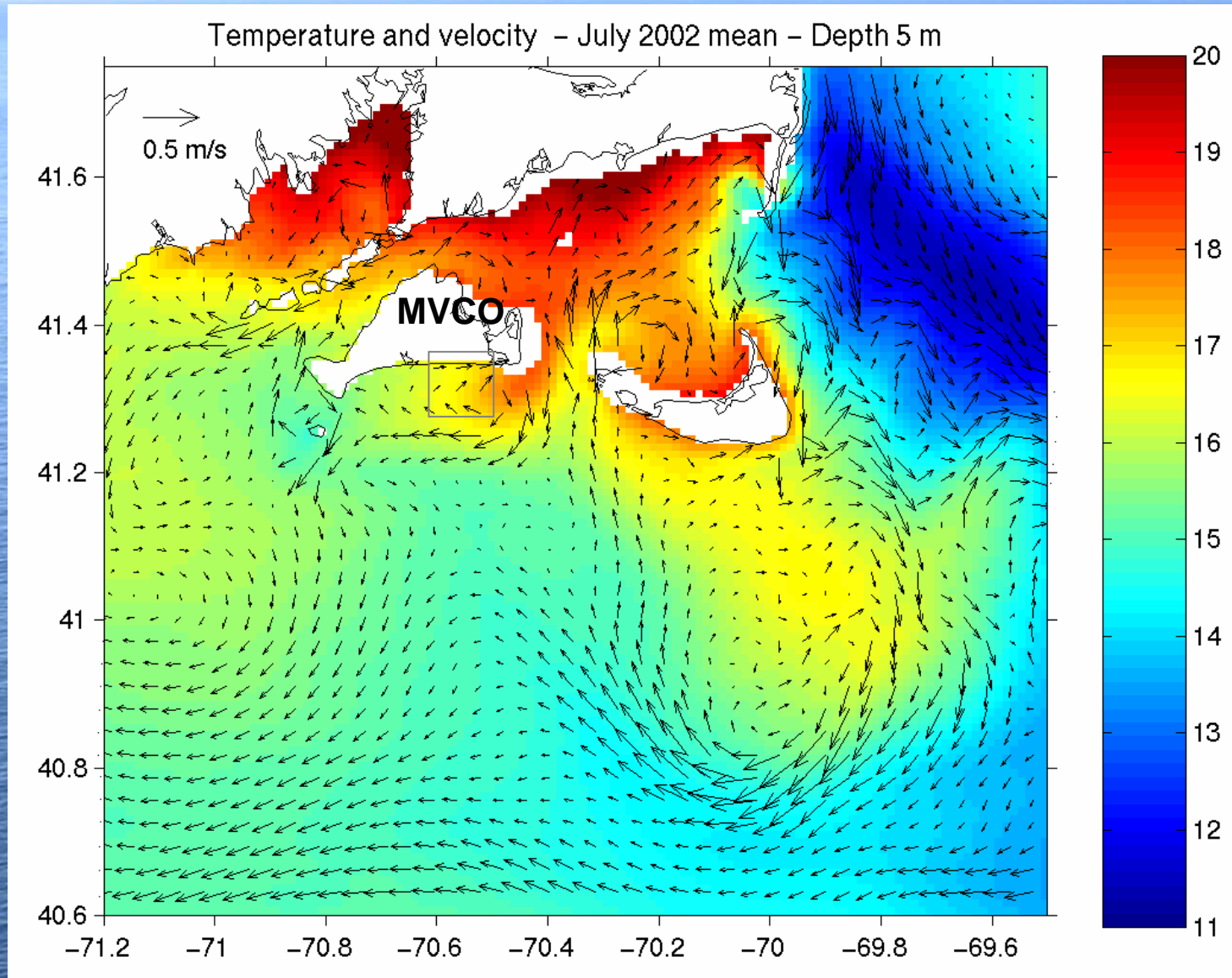


Horizontal divergence is small in the region of the *B-C ASIMET* moorings - indicating a region of approximate 1-D vertical heat balance suited to evaluating ROMS vertical turbulence closures.

Positive
cools the
ocean



Time mean advection cools the box at, on average, 200 W/m^2 .
The net “eddy” divergence $\langle u'T' \rangle$ warms the MVCO region at about 50 W/m^2 .



Time series of the heat budget in a box near MVCO shows half the air-sea flux goes to warming the water column, and half is removed by lateral divergence.

Episodic positive divergence (cooling) events arrest the warming trend.



**OK, OK, if you insist I will make
a forecast ...**

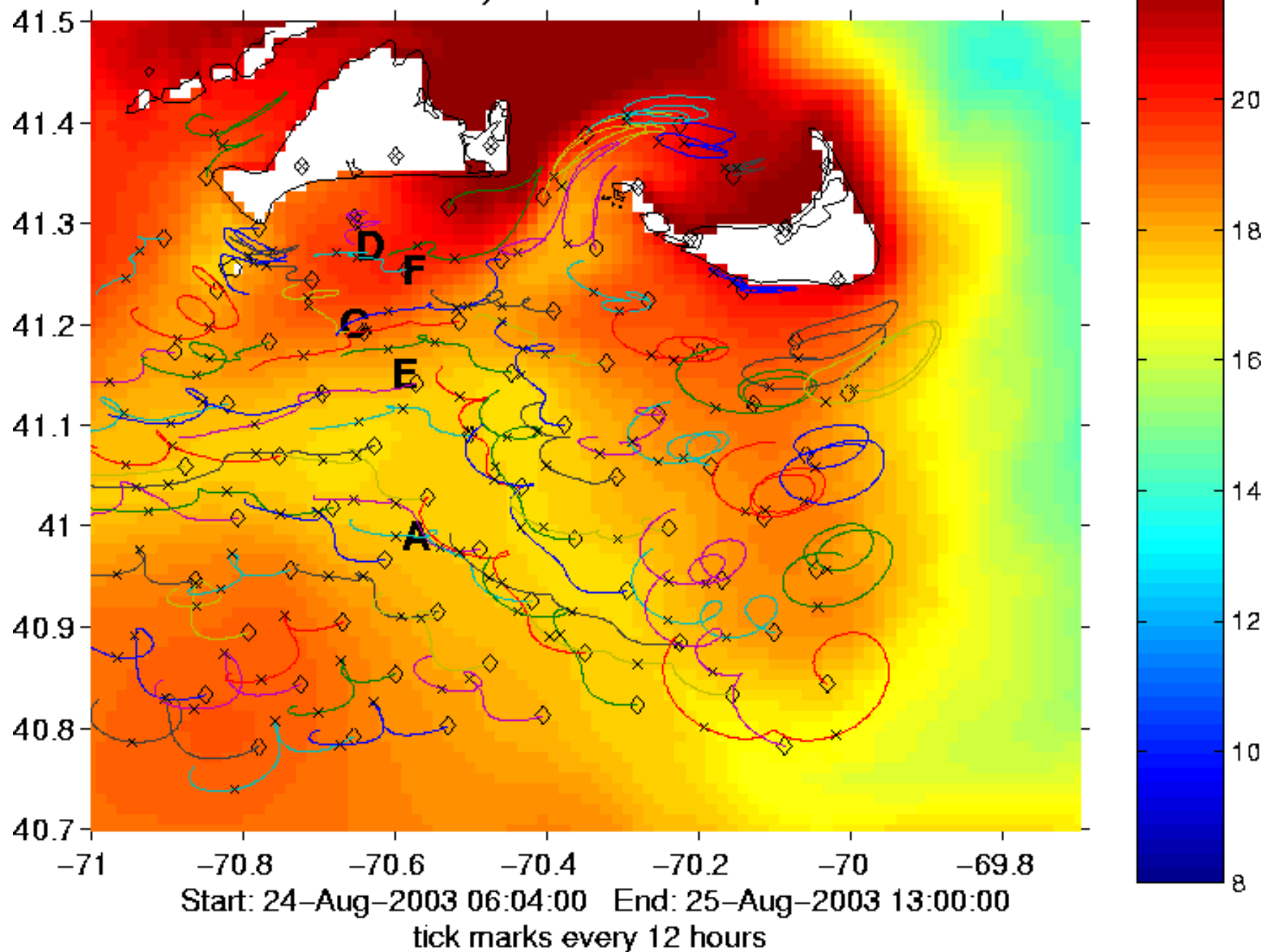
But, if I don't know whether it has
any skill, is it worth doing?

Yes, because it focuses the mind.

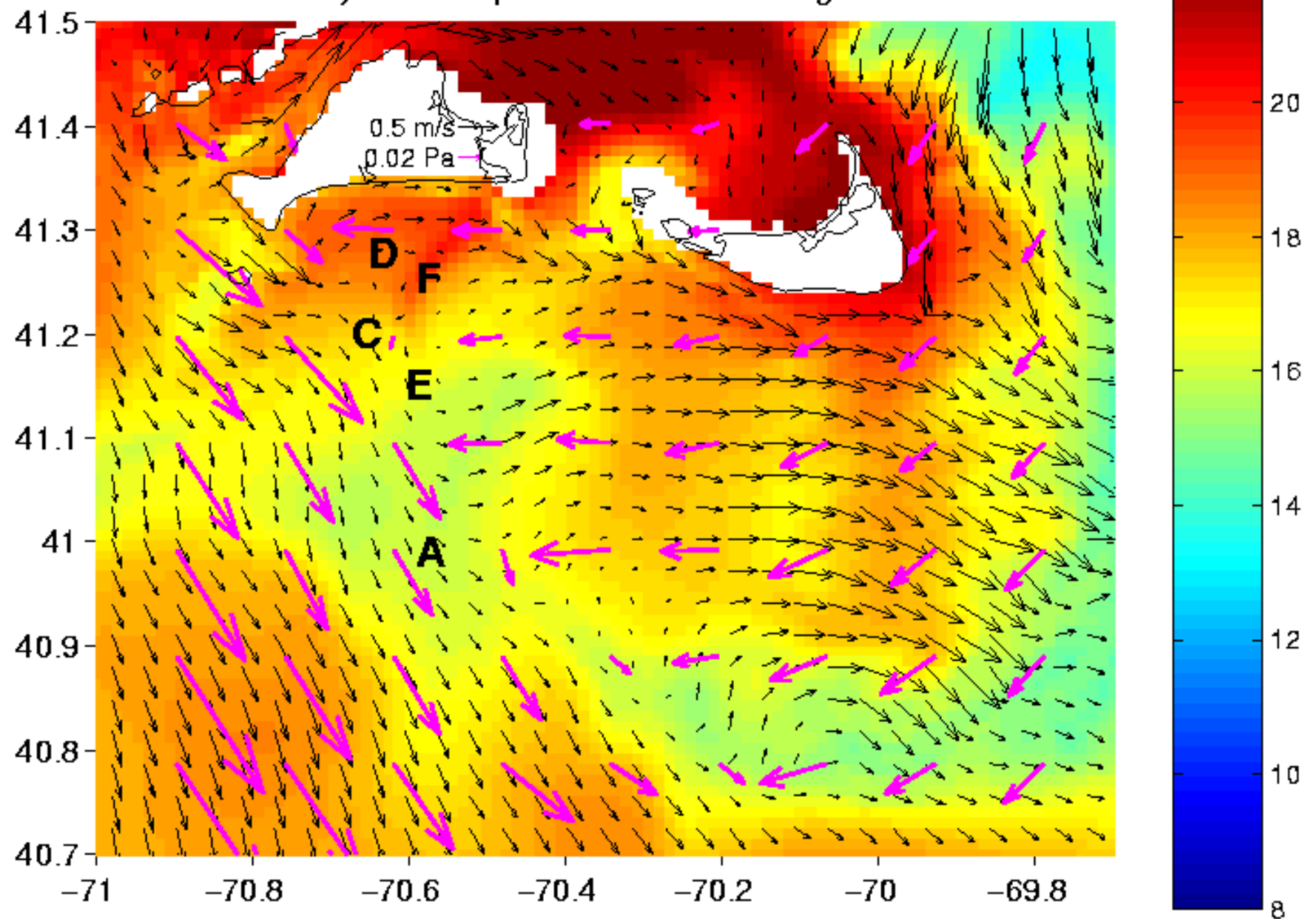
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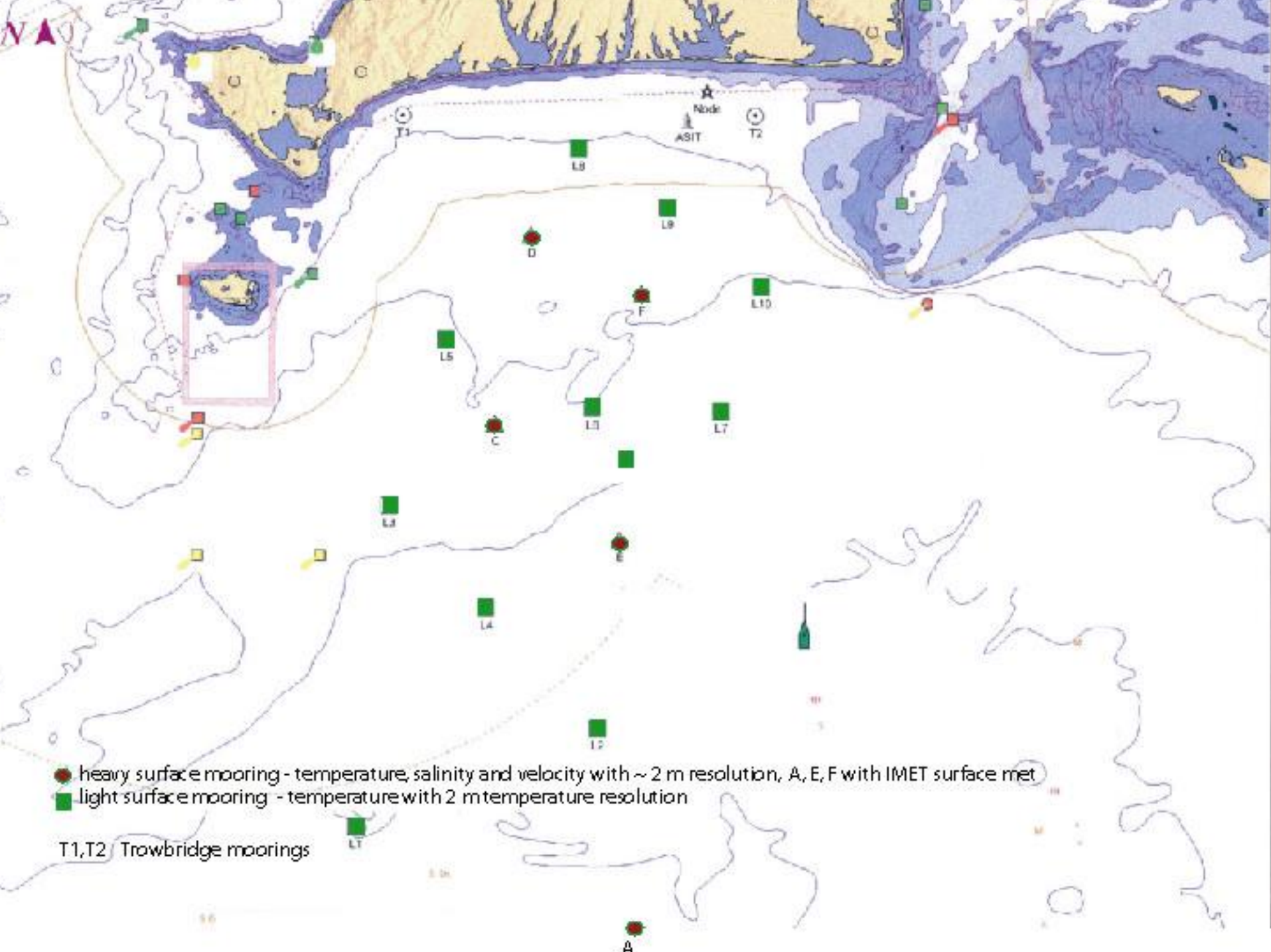
**Constraints on operating coastal vessels
and deploying instruments made it difficult
to use forecasts**

Forecast drifter trajectories for cycle 2003082300
and 2.25 day mean surface temperature



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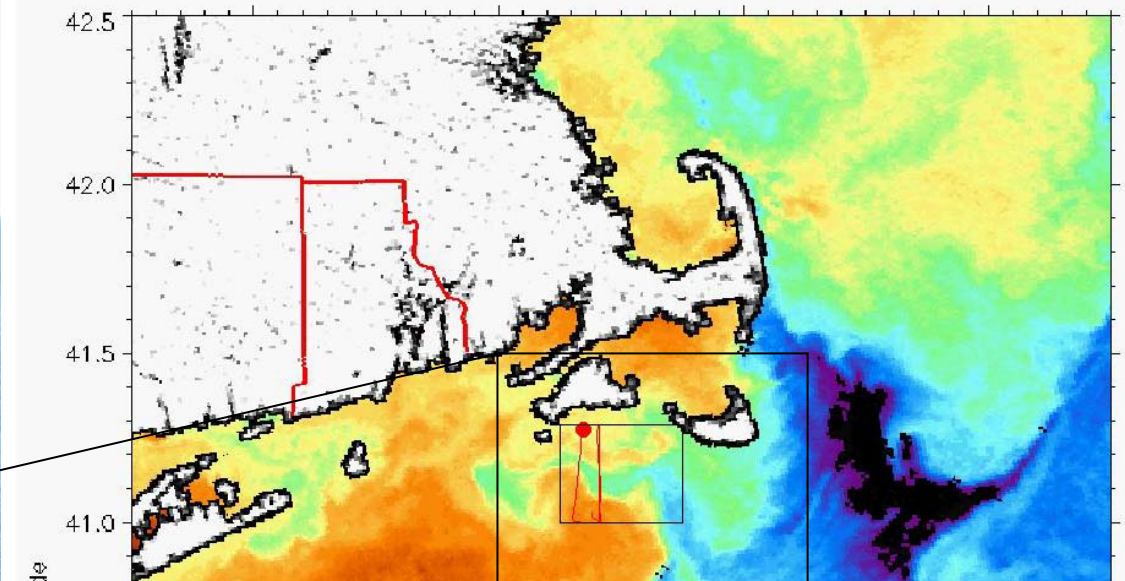
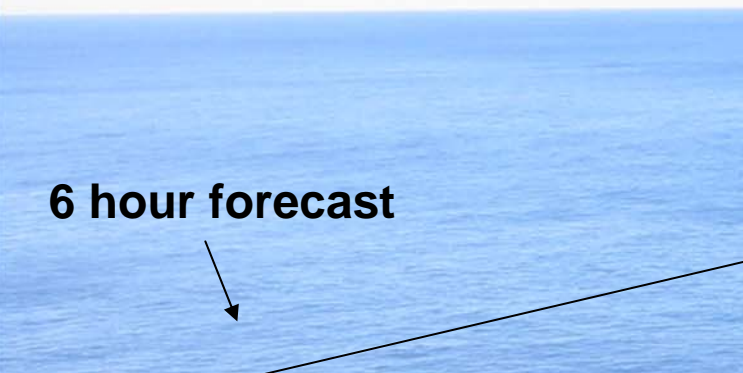
- heavy surface mooring - temperature, salinity and velocity with ~ 2 m resolution, A, E, F with IMET surface met
- light surface mooring - temperature with 2 m temperature resolution

T1,T2 Trowbridge moorings

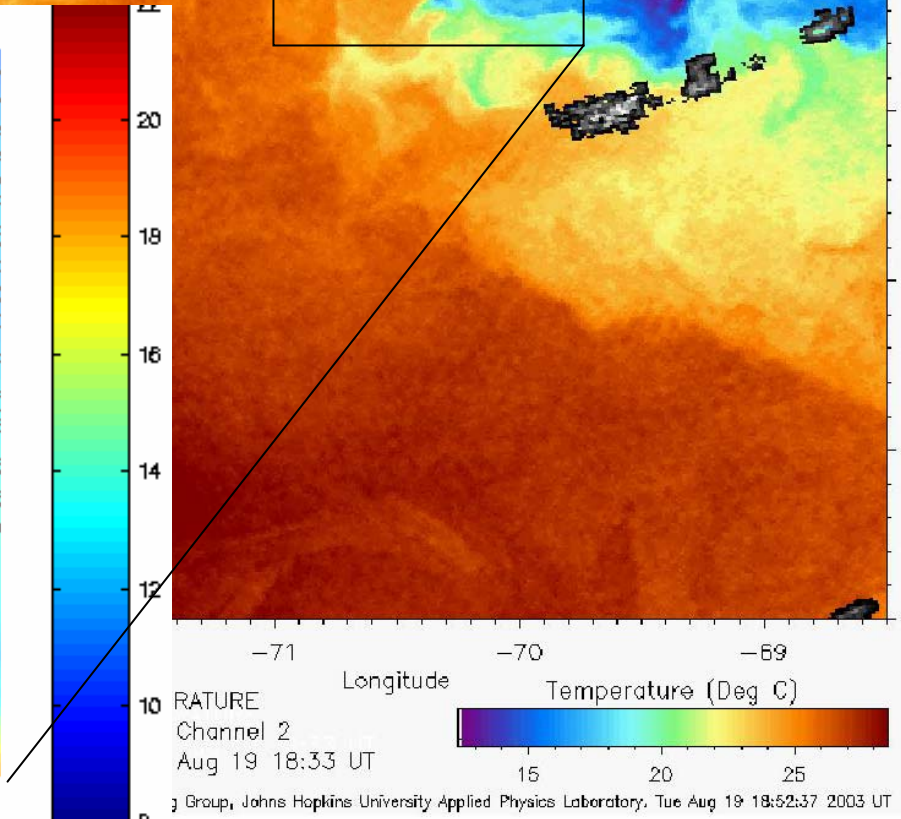
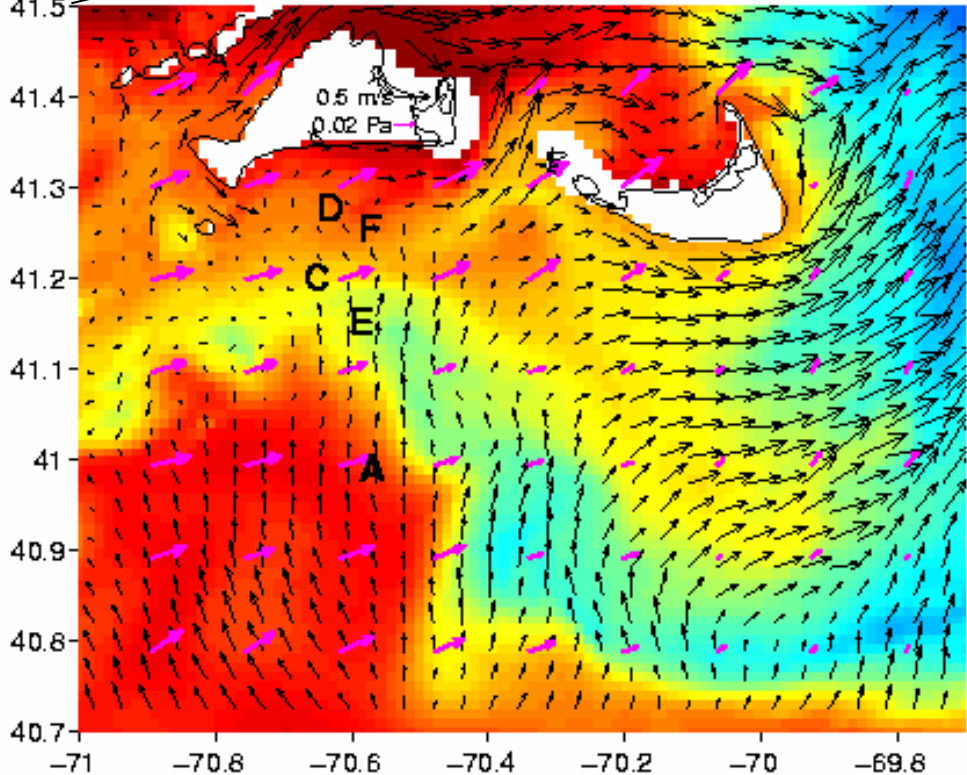
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Satellite SST and ship track from August 19, 2003

6 hour forecast

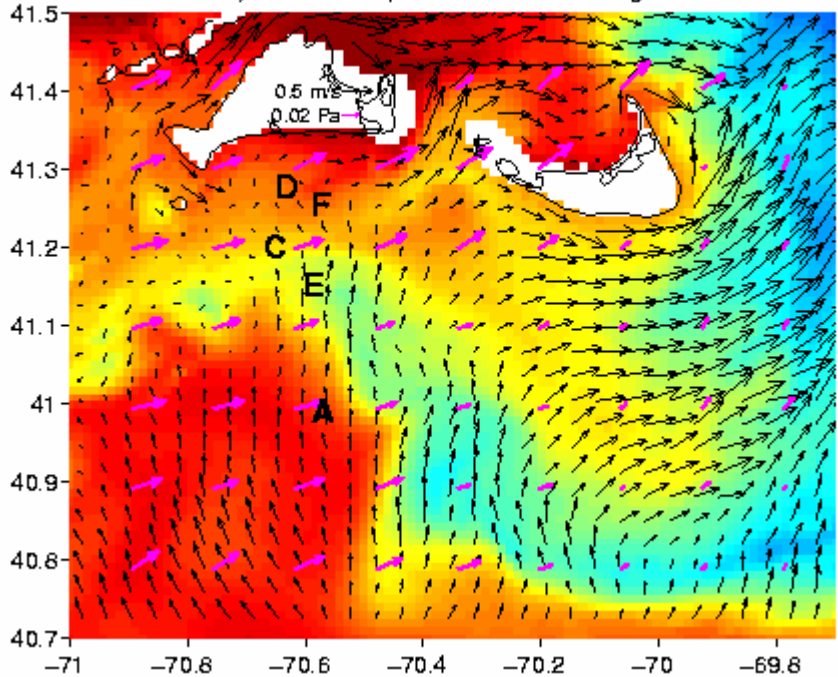


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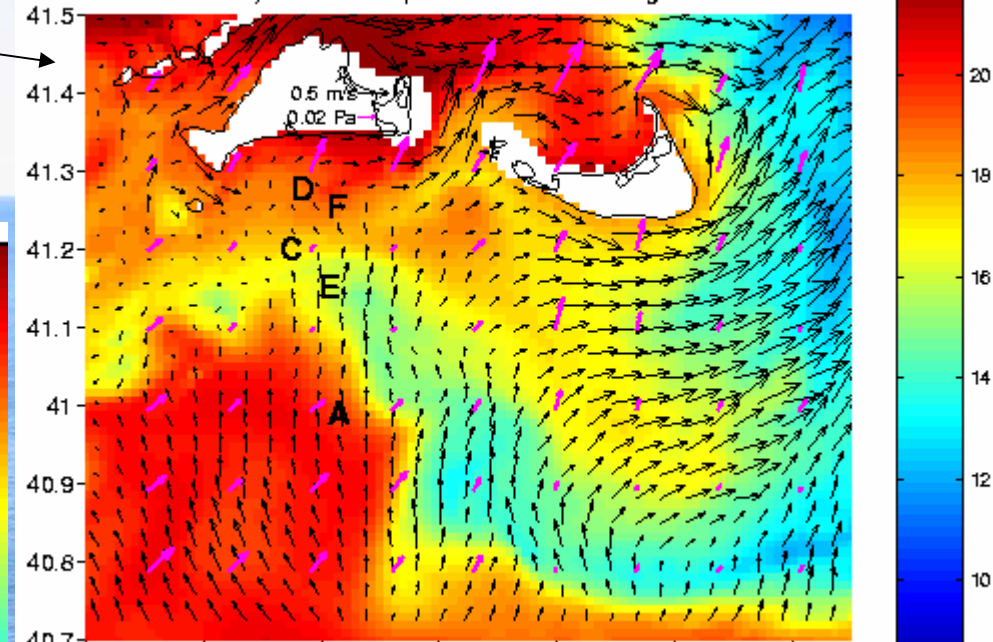
6 hour forecast

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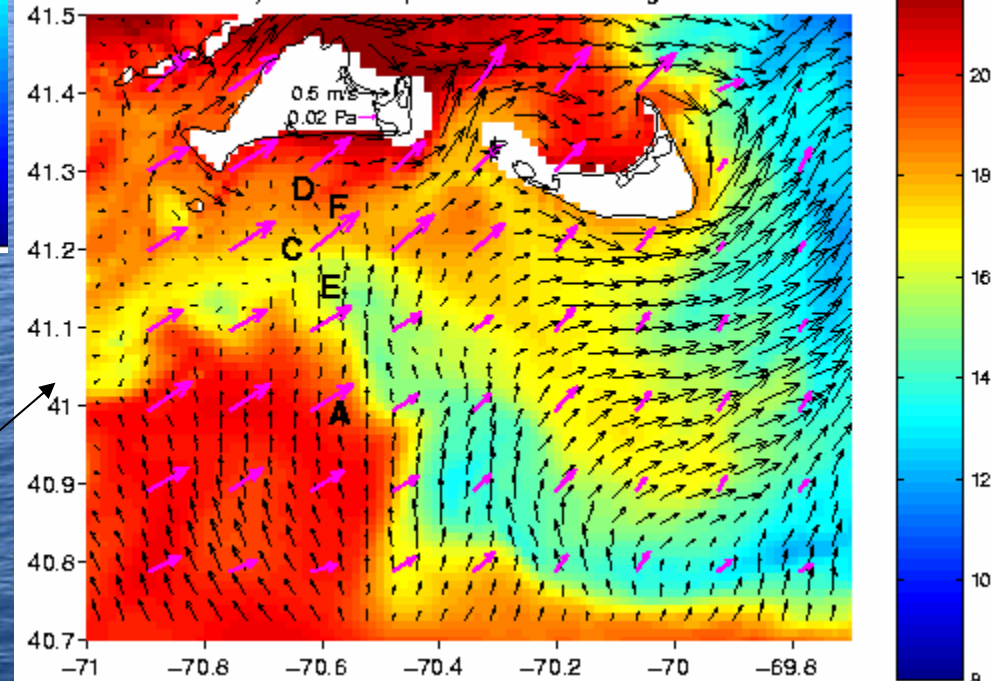


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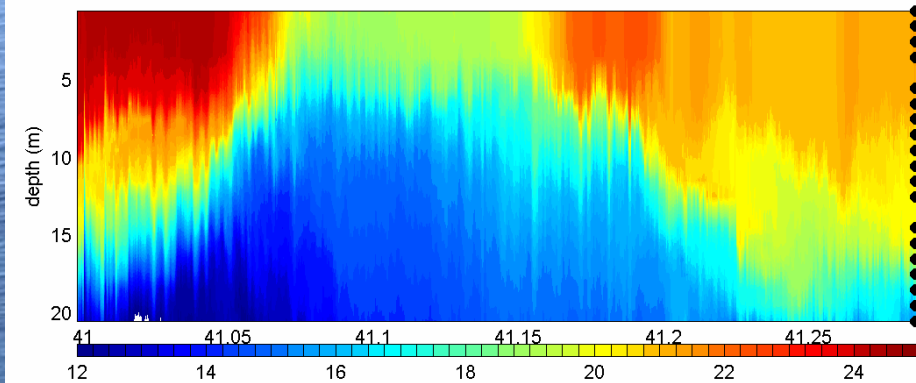
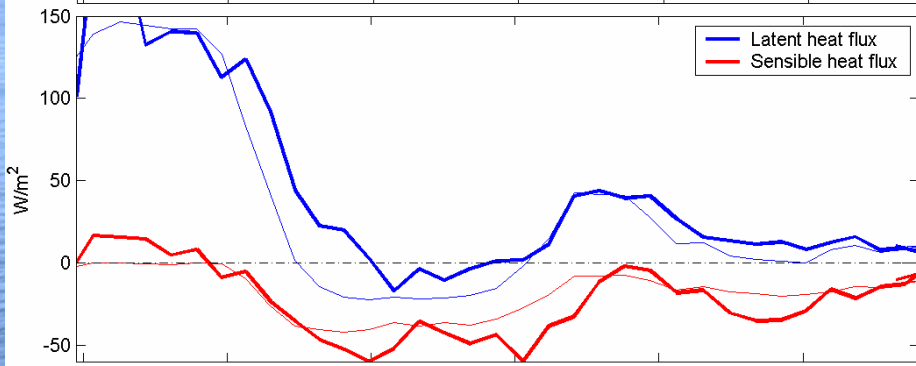
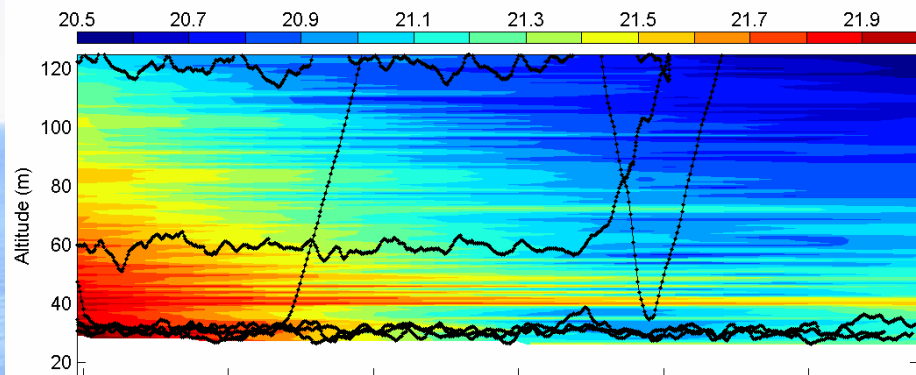


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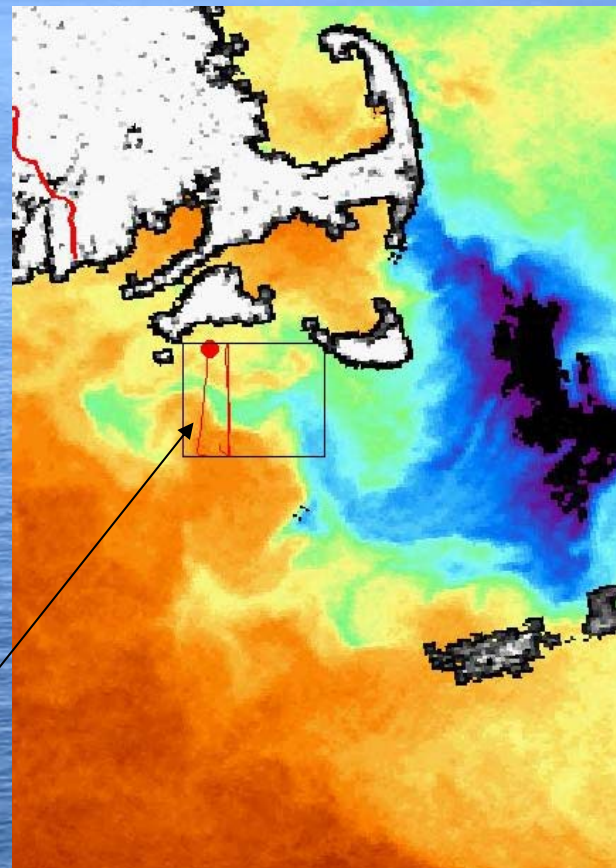
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Pelican air temperature (°C)



Subsurface temperature (°C)

SST and ship track



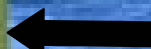


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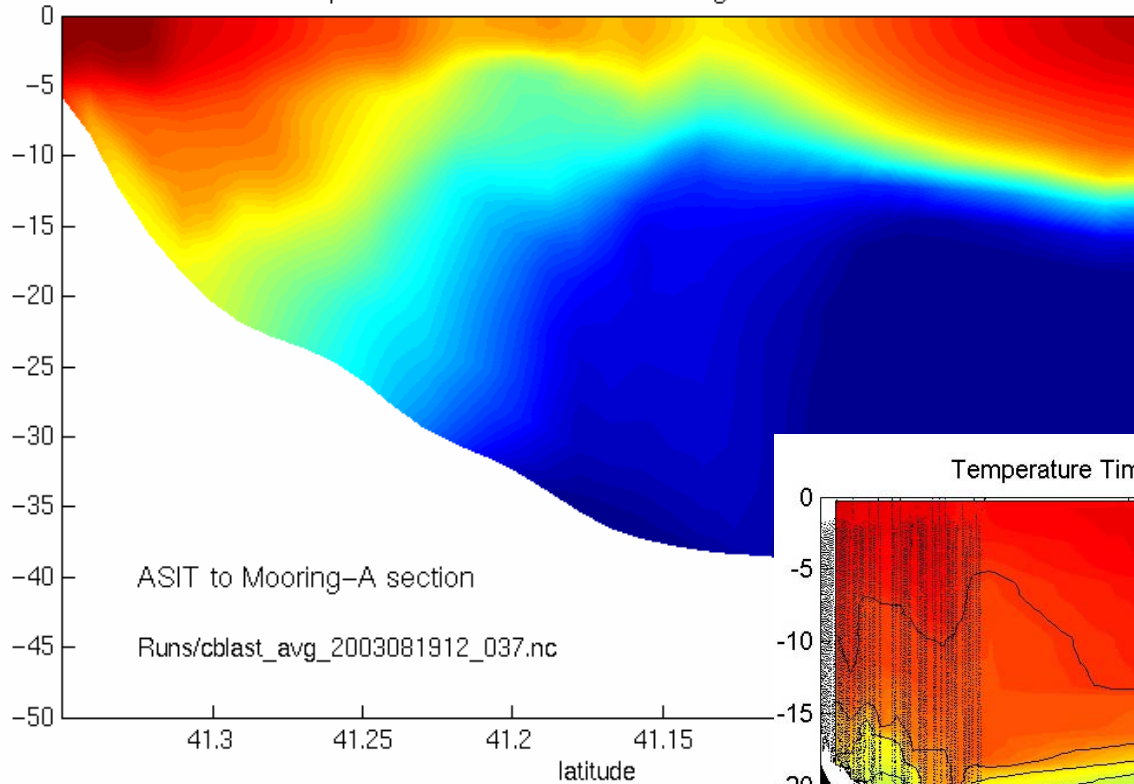
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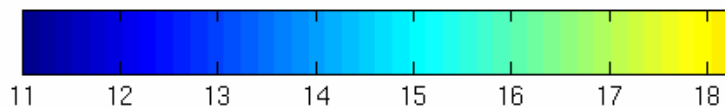


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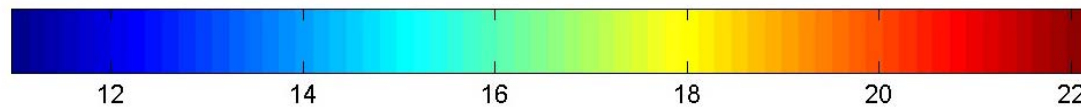
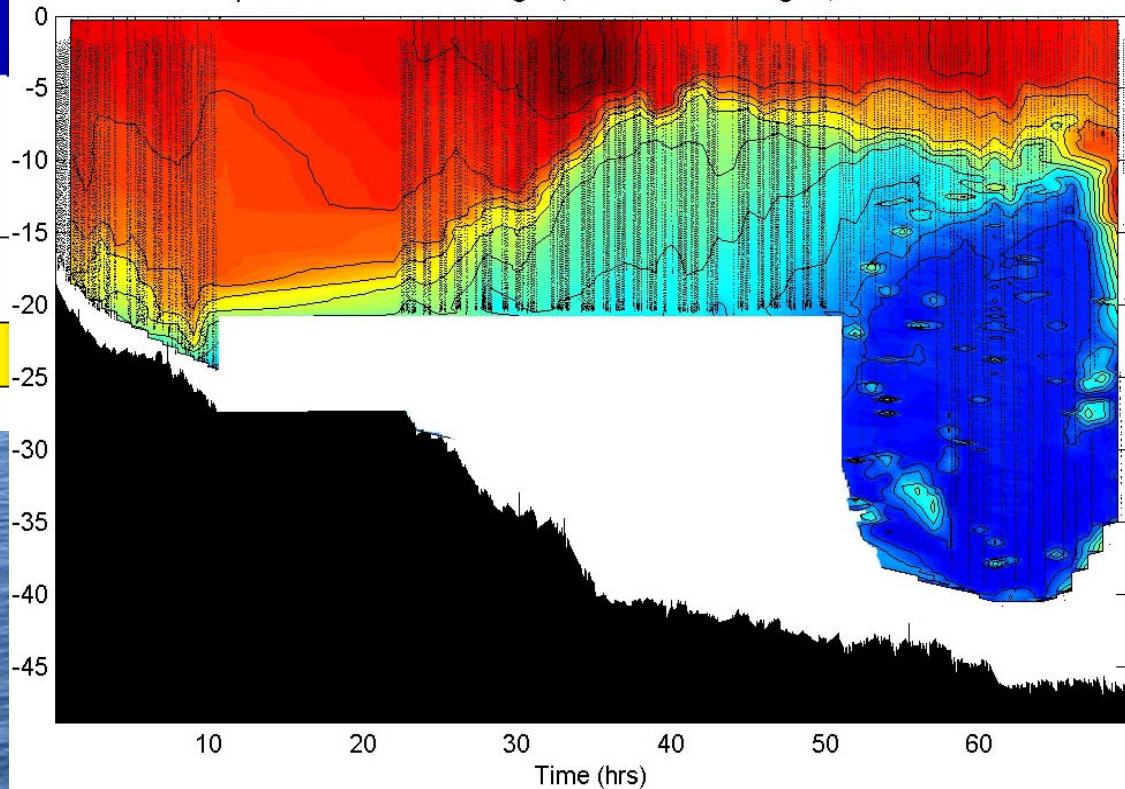


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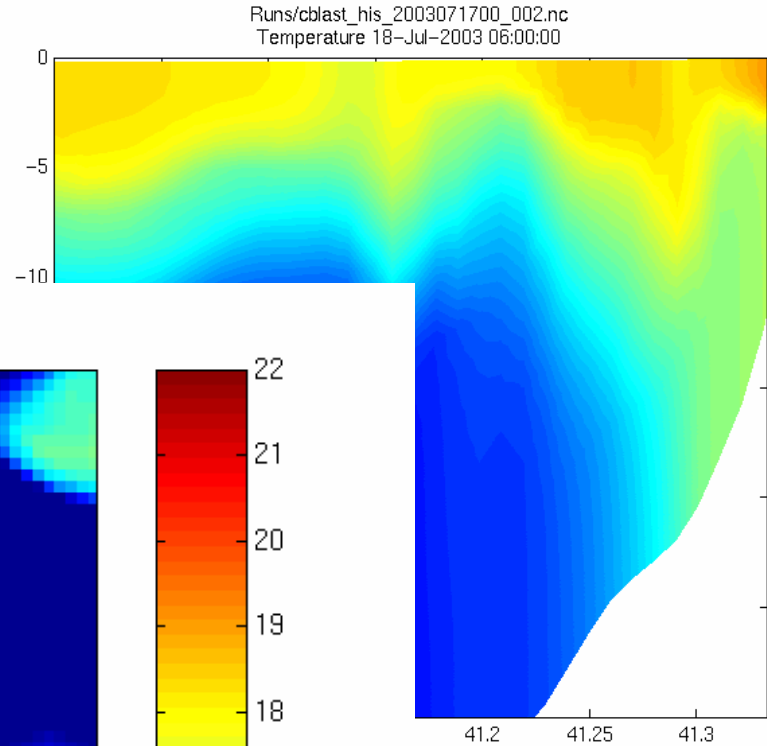
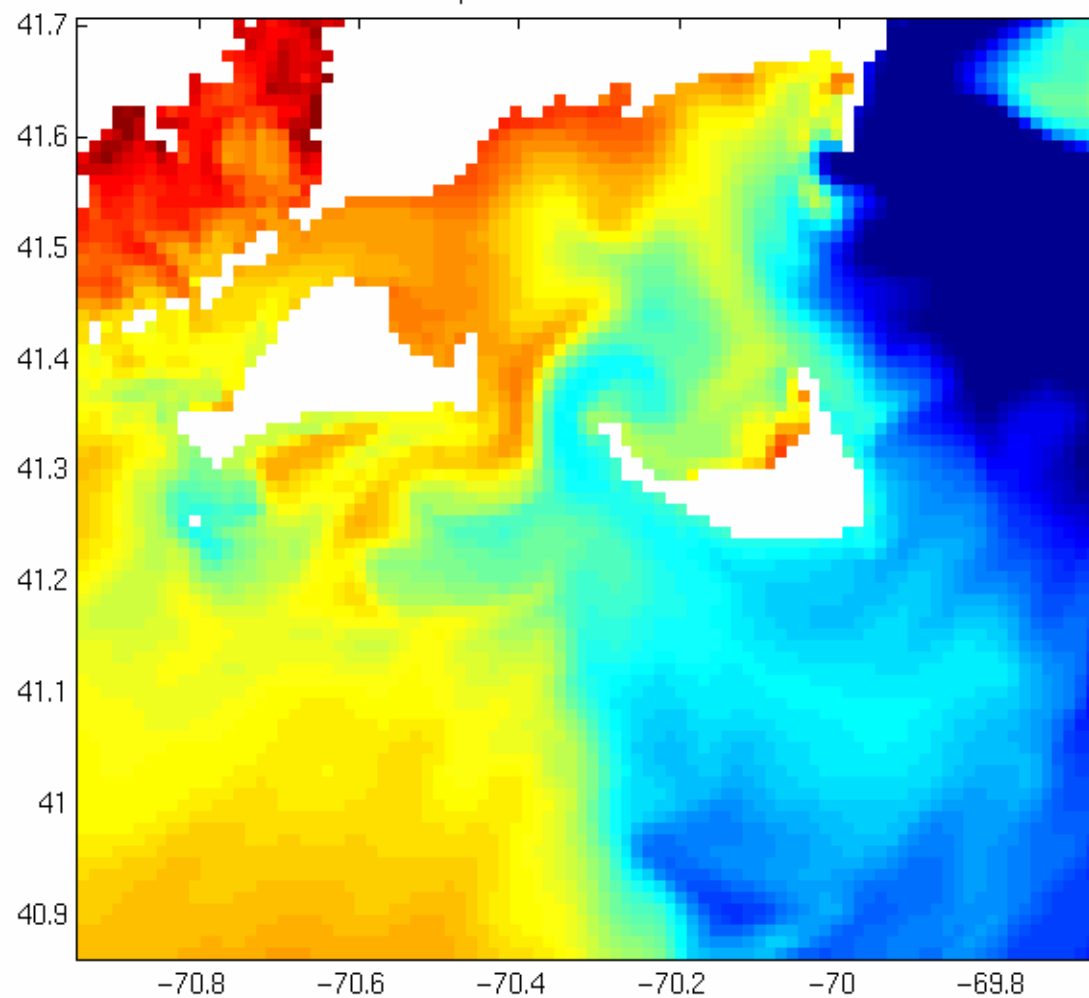


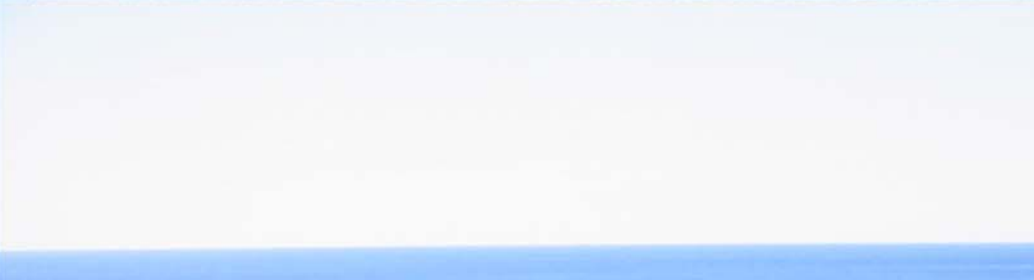
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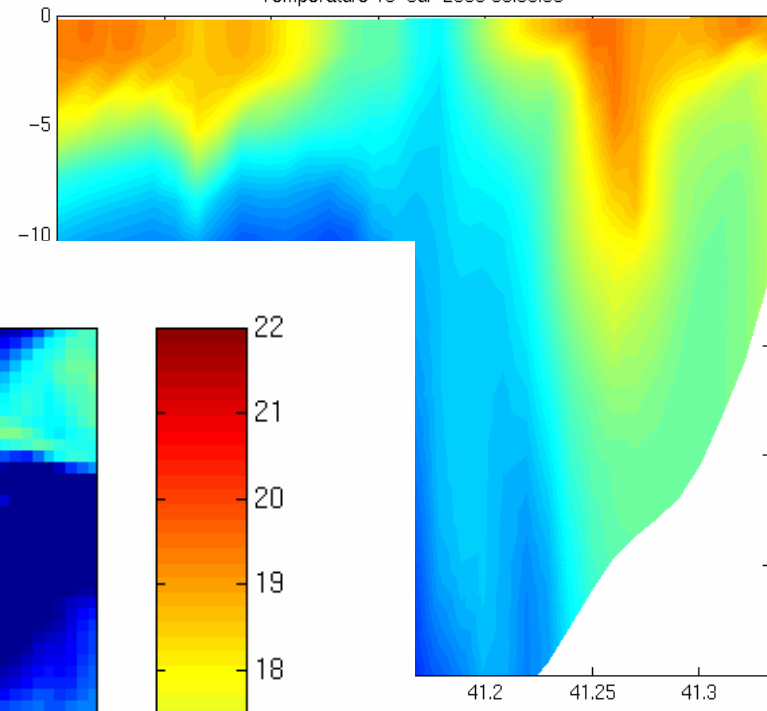


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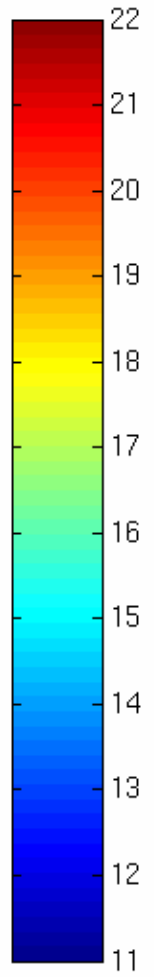
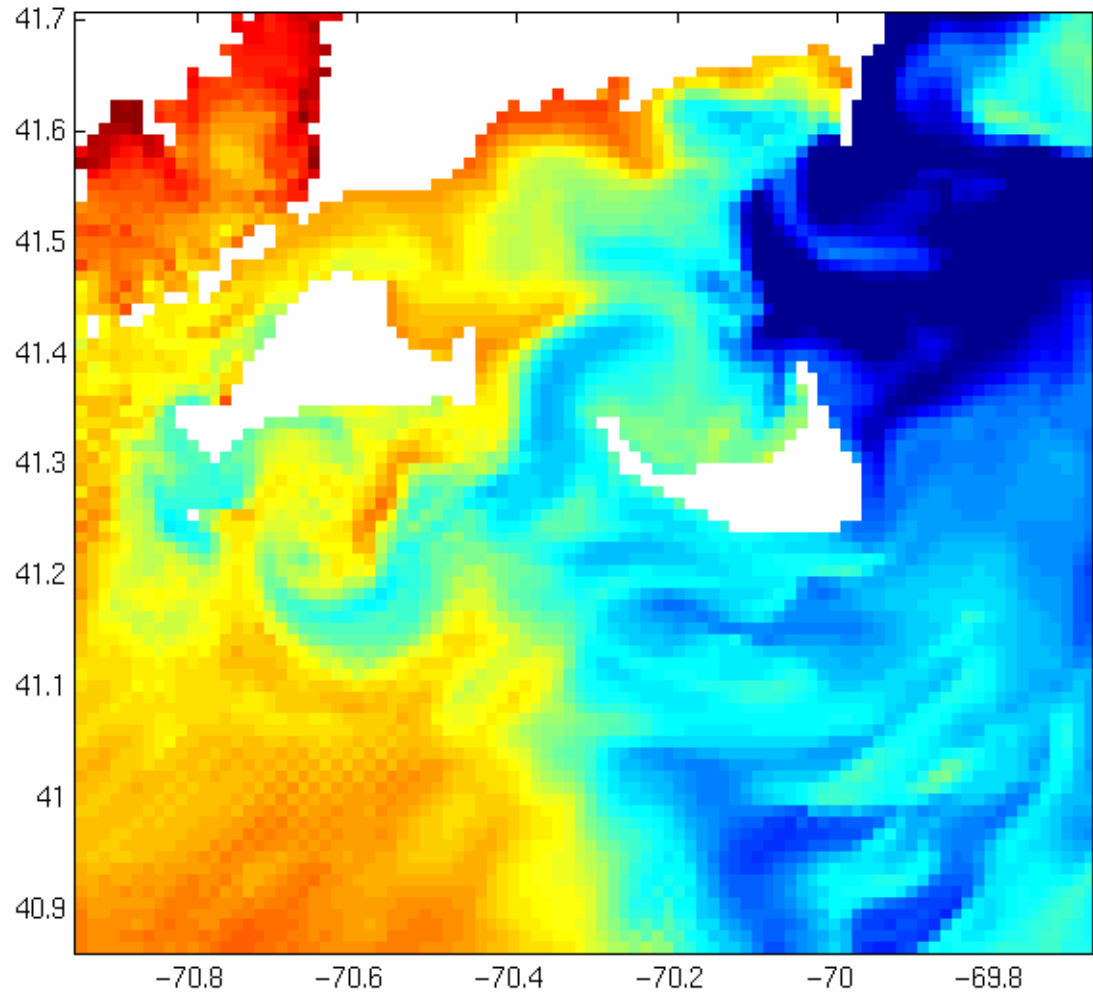




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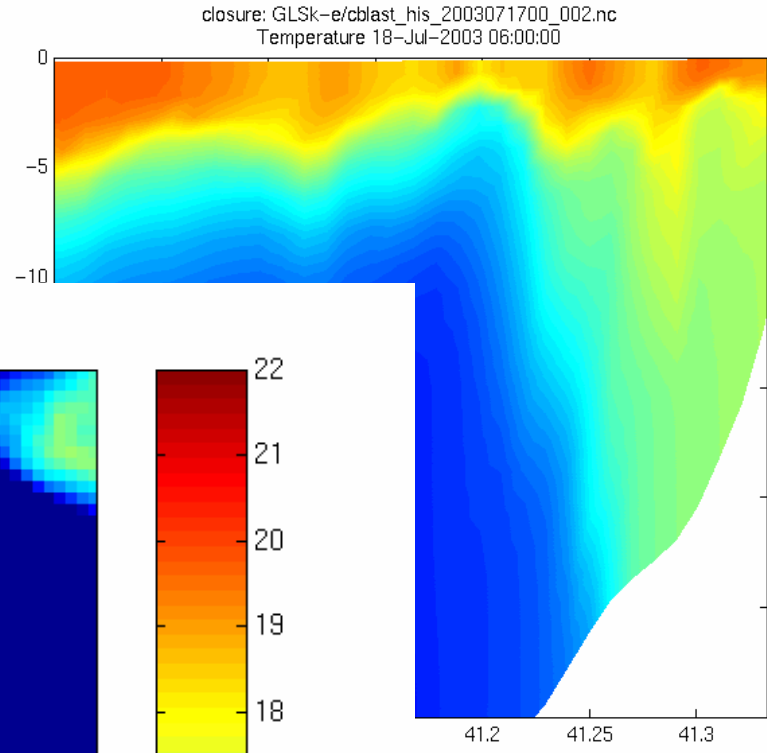
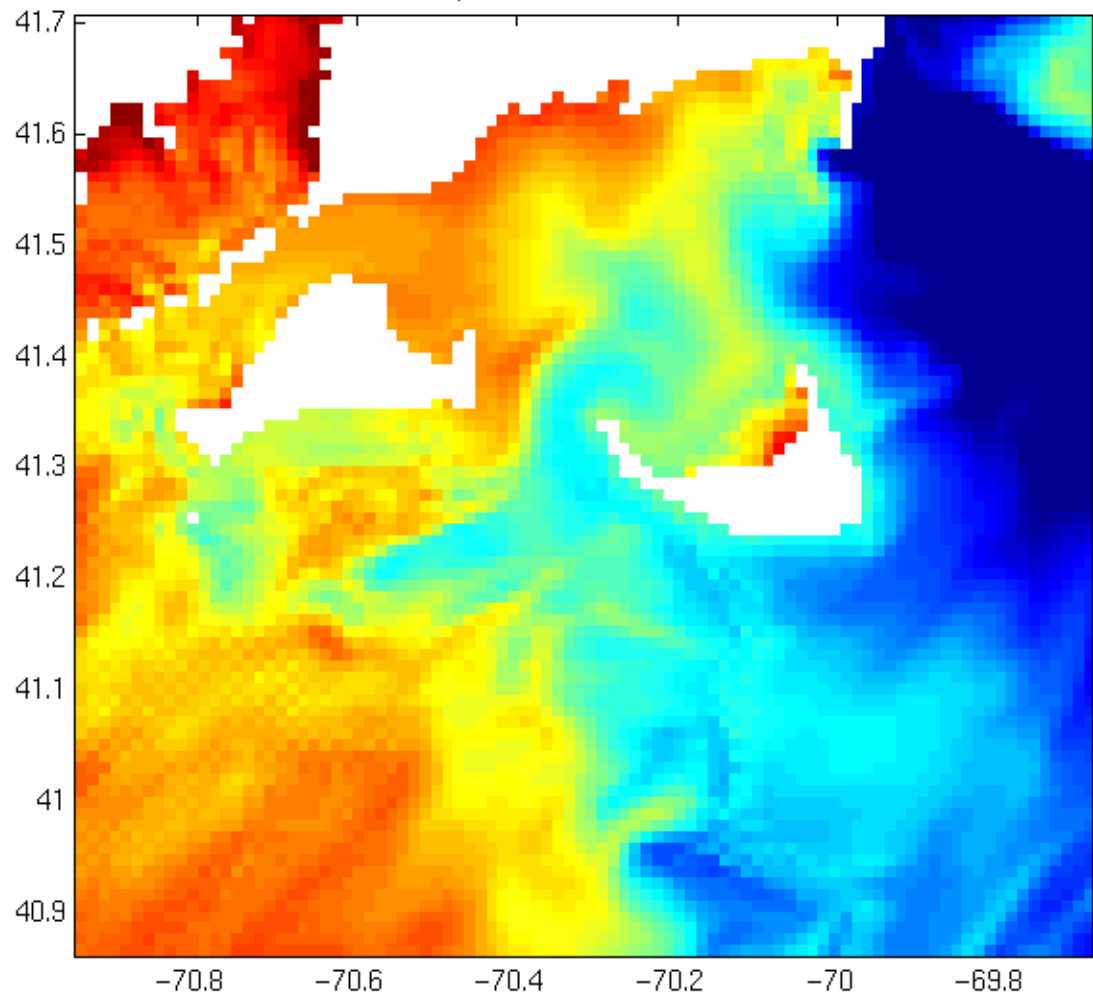


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CBLAST:

Ocean modeling lessons:

- **A high-resolution coastal model, carefully constructed, has intrinsic forecast skill without assimilation**
- **Differing vertical turbulence parameterizations lead to different 3-dimensional coastal mesoscale flows**
- **CBLAST data suited to turbulence closure evaluation:**
 - **Combination of direct air-sea flux and in situ oceanic conditions for validation**
 - **Eventually we will compare to vertical turbulence observations**
- **Spatially variable atmospheric forcing (COAMPS) is important**
- **Heat budget requires further analysis of horizontal/vertical circulations: overturning/upwelling vs. depth-average flow contributions, especially at moorings and ASIT**

CBLAST:

Oceanography lessons:

- **Tides affect the circulation and heat budget through residual mean currents and vertical mixing**
- **Wind-driven upwelling circulation contributes to the heat budget southwest of Martha's Vineyard**
- **Lateral heat transport is large in much of the region, including near MVCO, and will need to be considered in the analysis of CBLAST heat budgets**
- **Vineyard Sound, Nantucket Shoals, MVCO, shows differing heat balances in July mean**
- **Modeling shows a 1-D heat balance occurs near the B-A-C MET mooring sites, which suggests vertical turbulence closures might be evaluated locally there**

The capability to simulate regional dynamics at high resolution has generated new applications for the model (= funding!)

Processes controlling seasonal variability of phytoplankton over the inner shelf:

Bio-optical instrumentation at MVCO gives information on

- phytoplankton abundance
- community structure
- growth rate

We know that primary production is very patchy ...

Is the variability local, or advected from somewhere else?

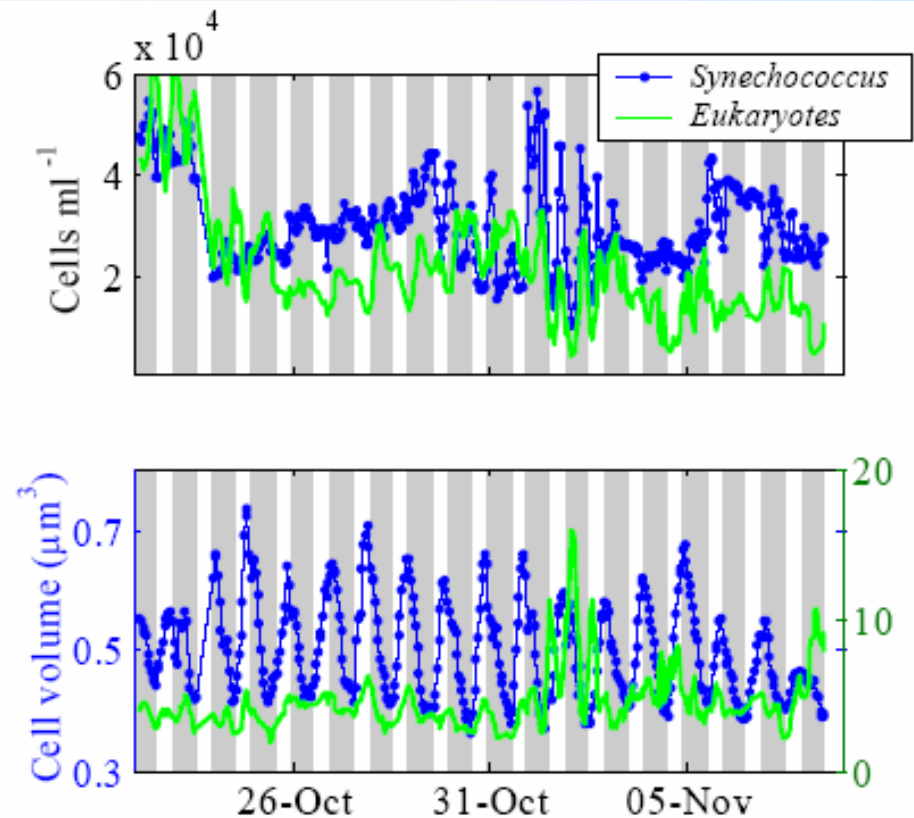


Figure 7. Example of phytoplankton time series observations from a test deployment of FlowCytobot at MVCO in 2002. Abundance and average cell volume for the cyanobacteria genus *Synechococcus* and a group of mixed taxonomy eukaryotic pico- and nanophytoplankton were separately quantified with hourly resolution. Diel variations in cell size, which we have used to quantify cell growth rates (Sosik et al. 2003), are prominent for *Synechococcus* and large changes in average cell size for eukaryotes (likely indicative of species changes) occurred around 1 and 7 November in conjunction with storm events.

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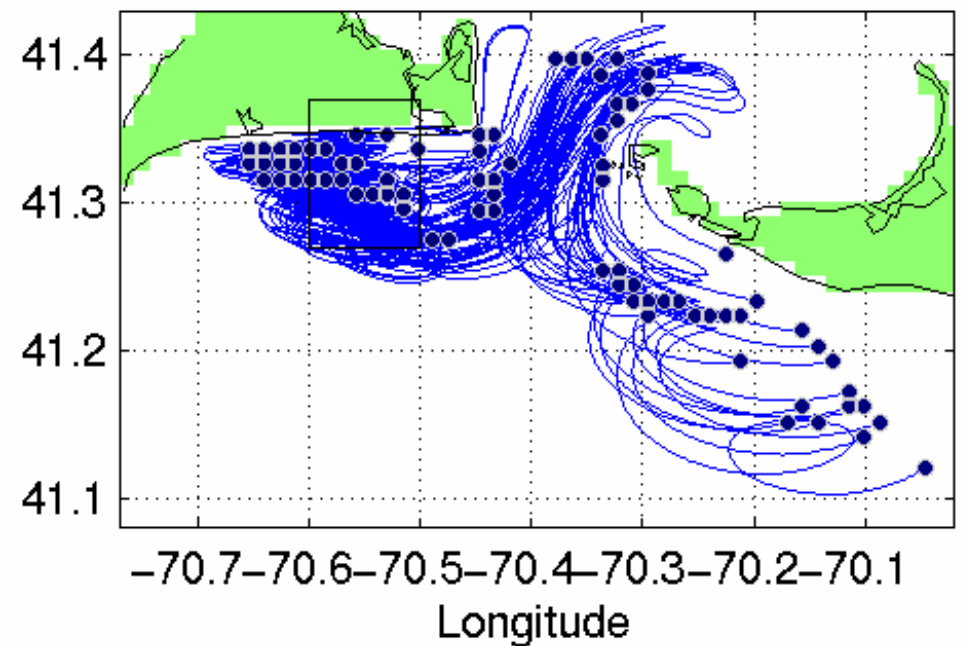
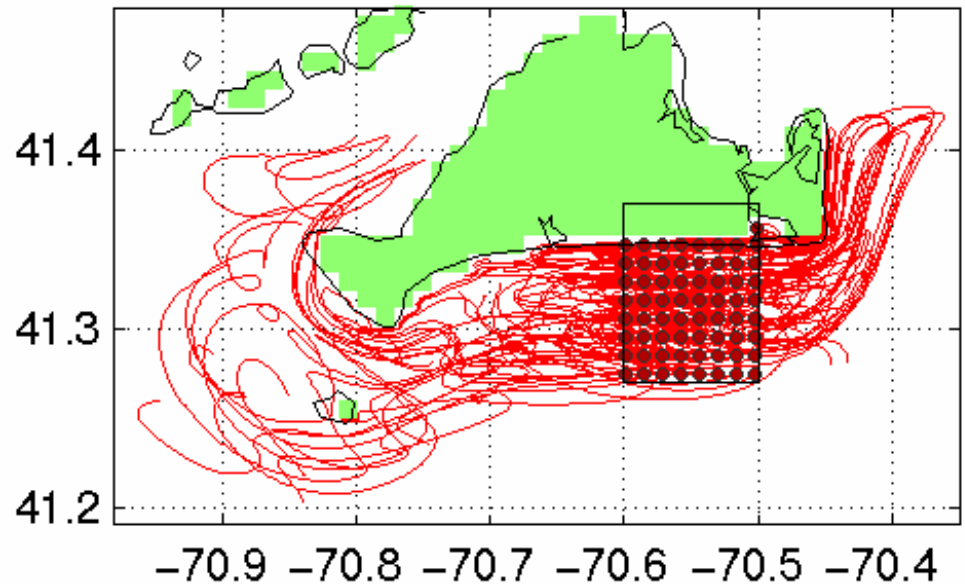
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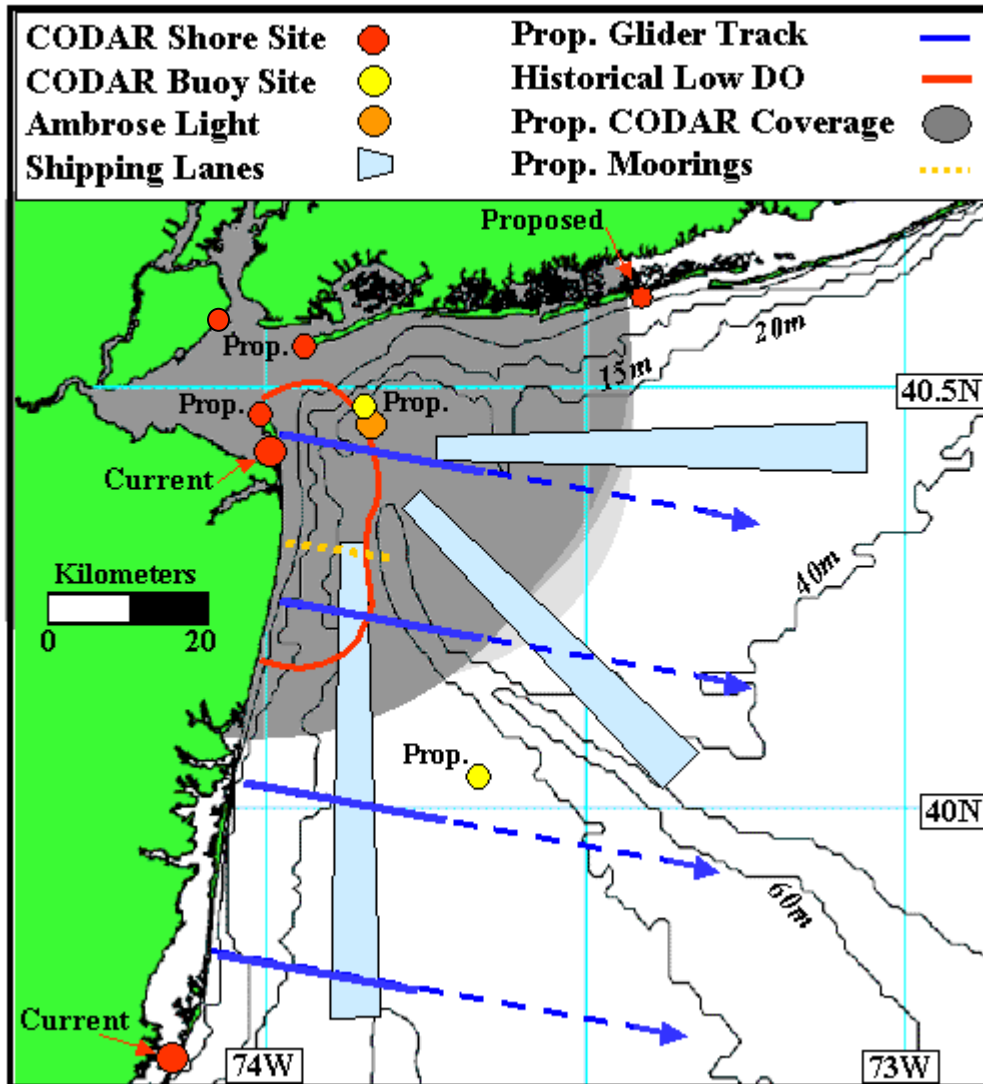
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LATTE

- Using NJSOS to study the transport and transformation of the Hudson River plume
- NY/NJ Harbor discharges 4% sediment load in Mid-Atlantic Bight, but 96% of PCBs and 69% of mercury
- Each spring, we inject dye in the plume and track it, monitoring:
 - physics
 - chemistry (nutrients, metals, caffeine ...)
 - optics
 - ecology (PP, zooplankton, bioaccumulation ...)

Lagrangian studies of the transport, transformation and biological impact of nutrients and contaminant metals in a buoyant plume: A process study in an operational ocean observatory.

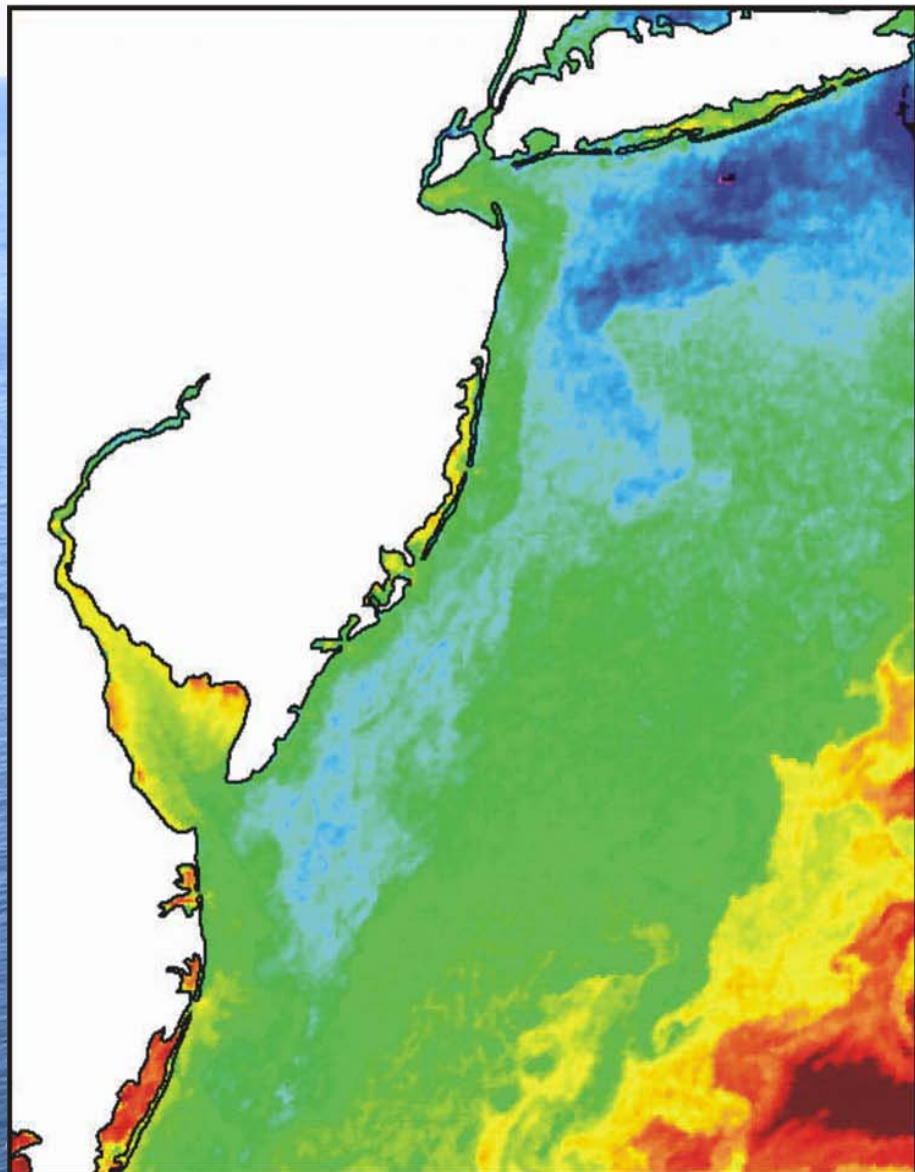


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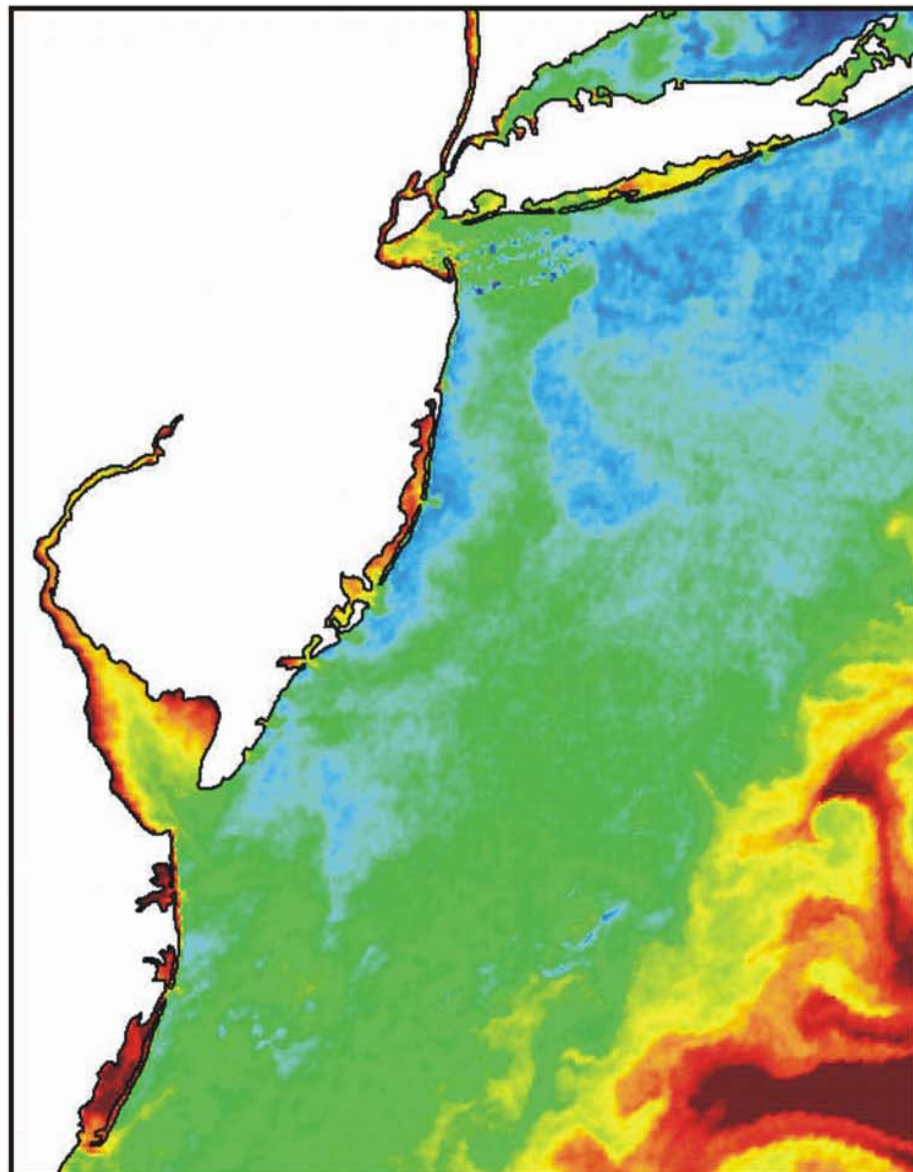


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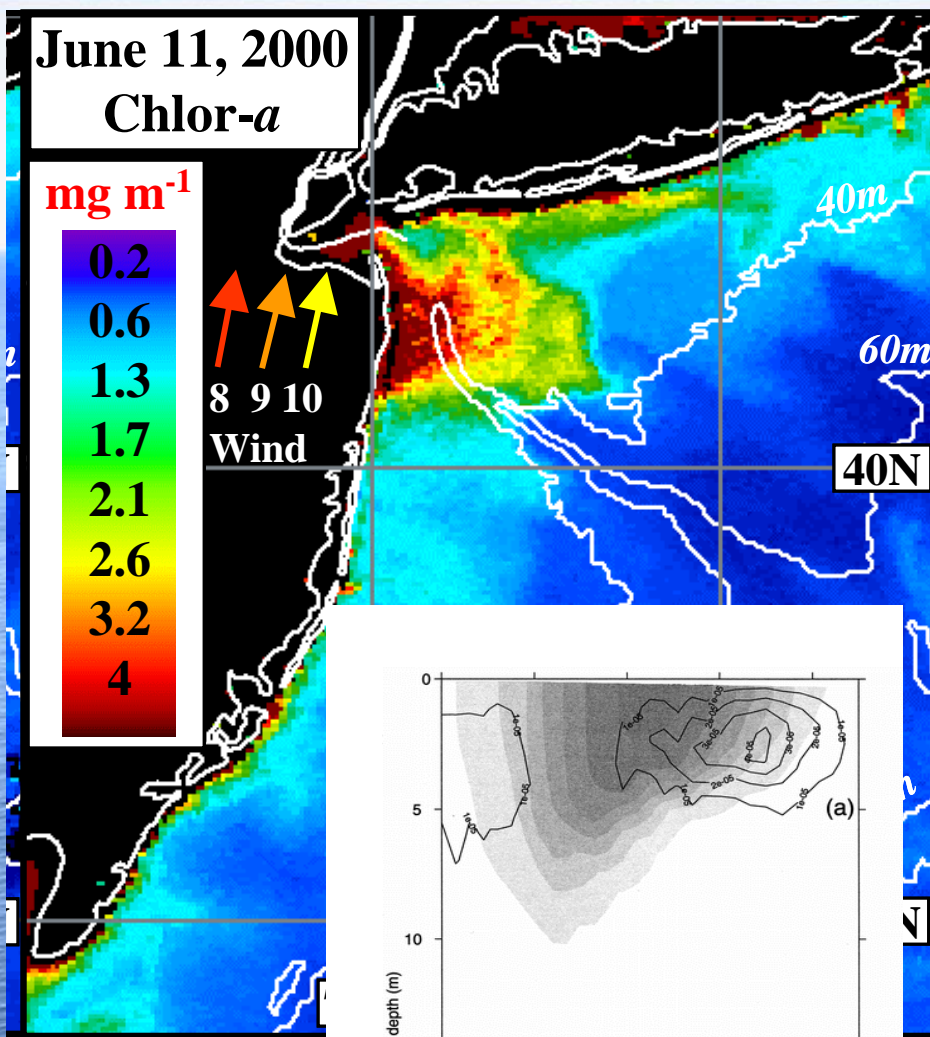


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Chlor-*a*

mg m⁻¹



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Wind

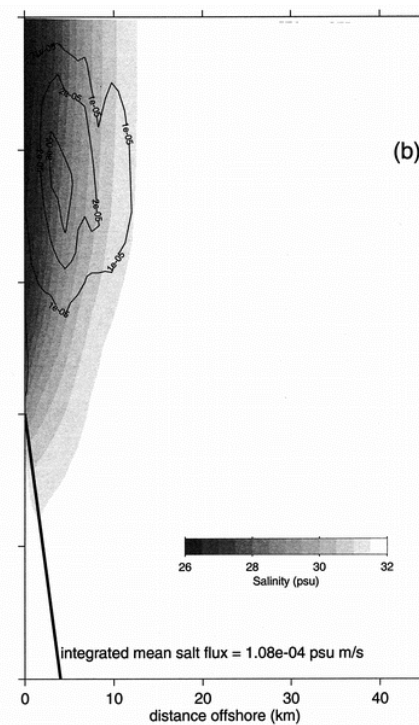
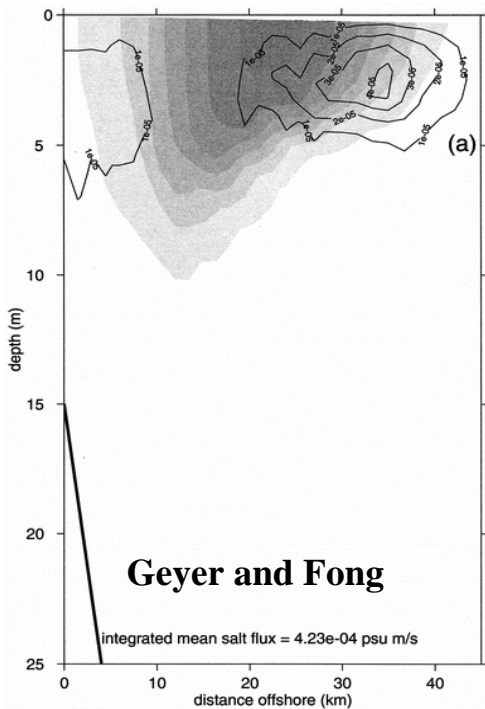
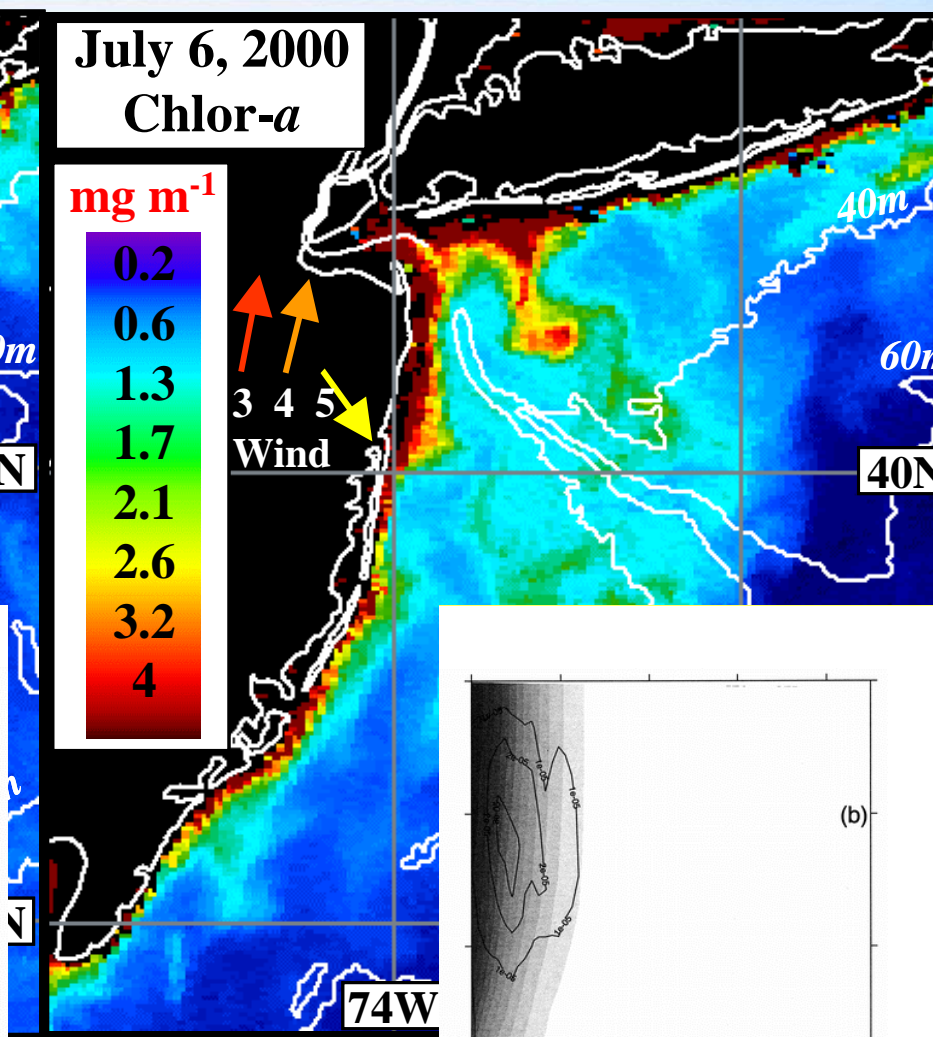


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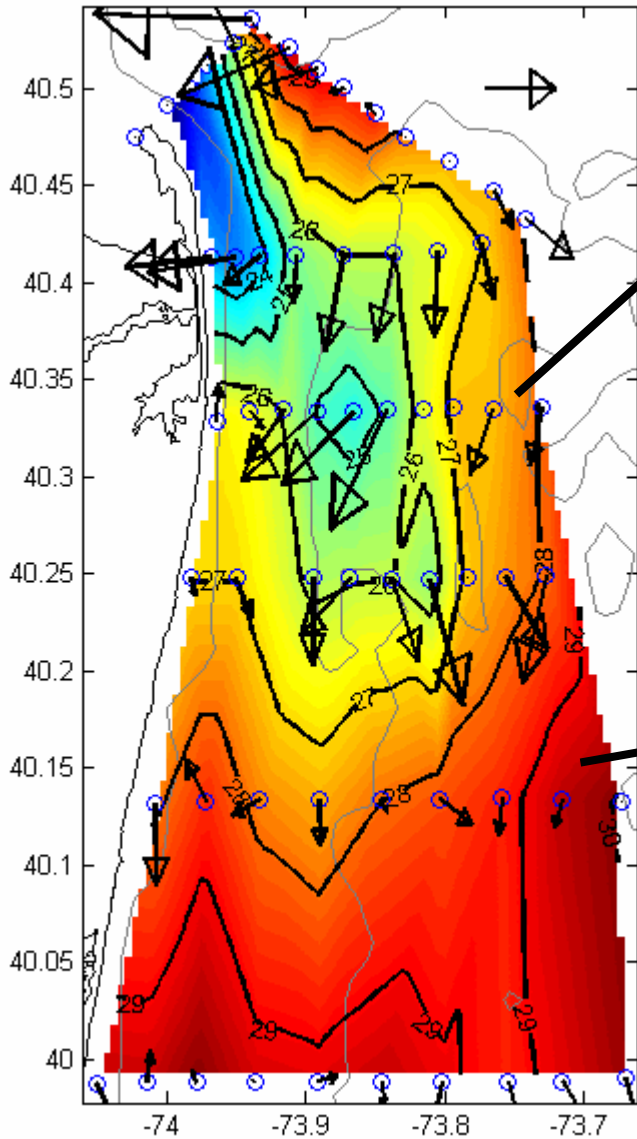
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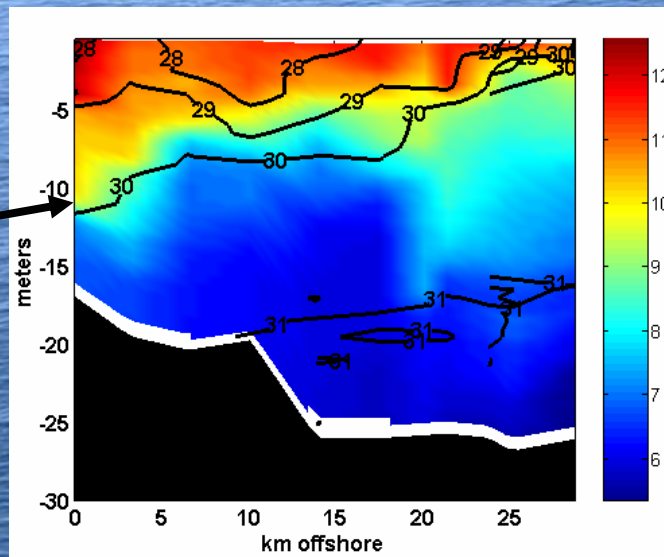
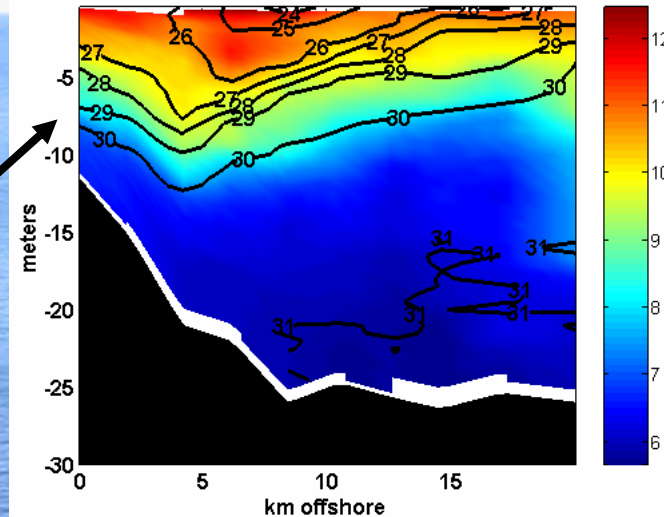


Top view (salinity)



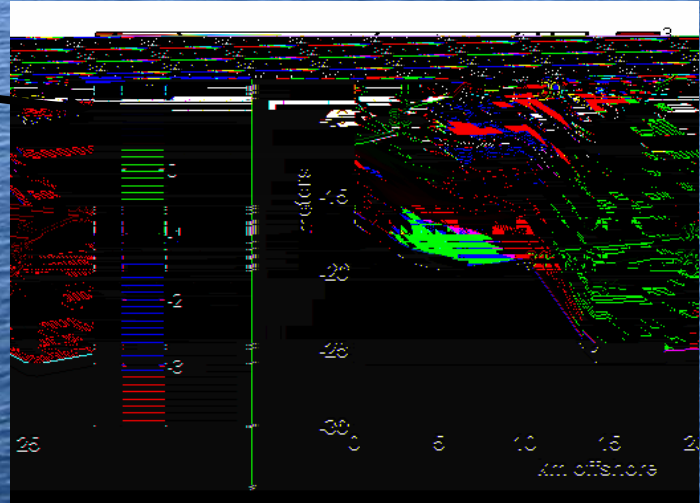
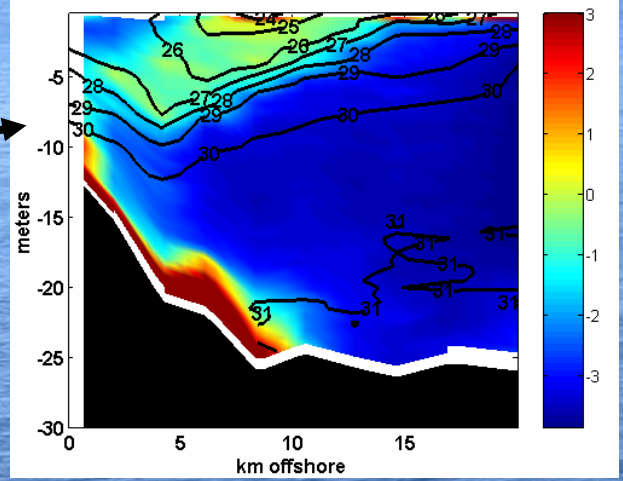
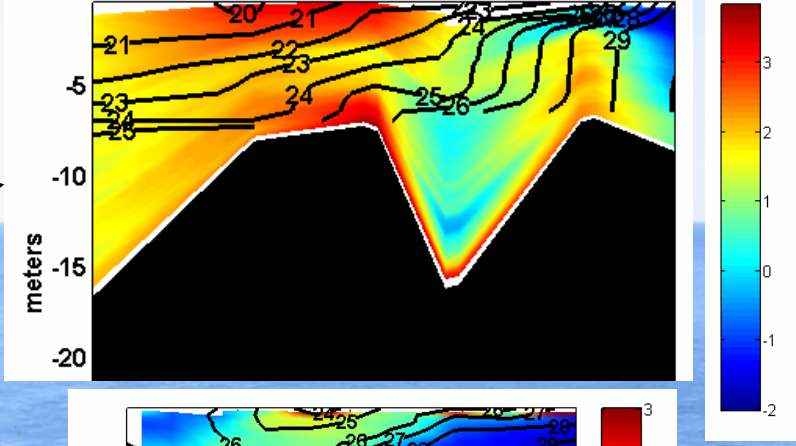
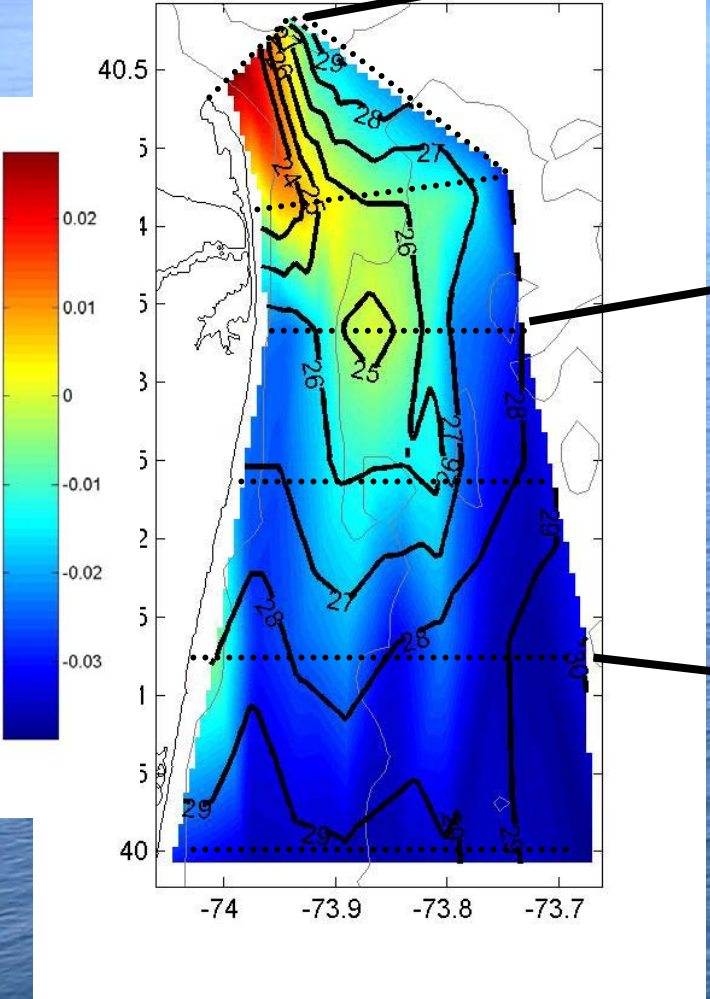
Cross-shore sections

(contours show salinity, Colors show temperature)

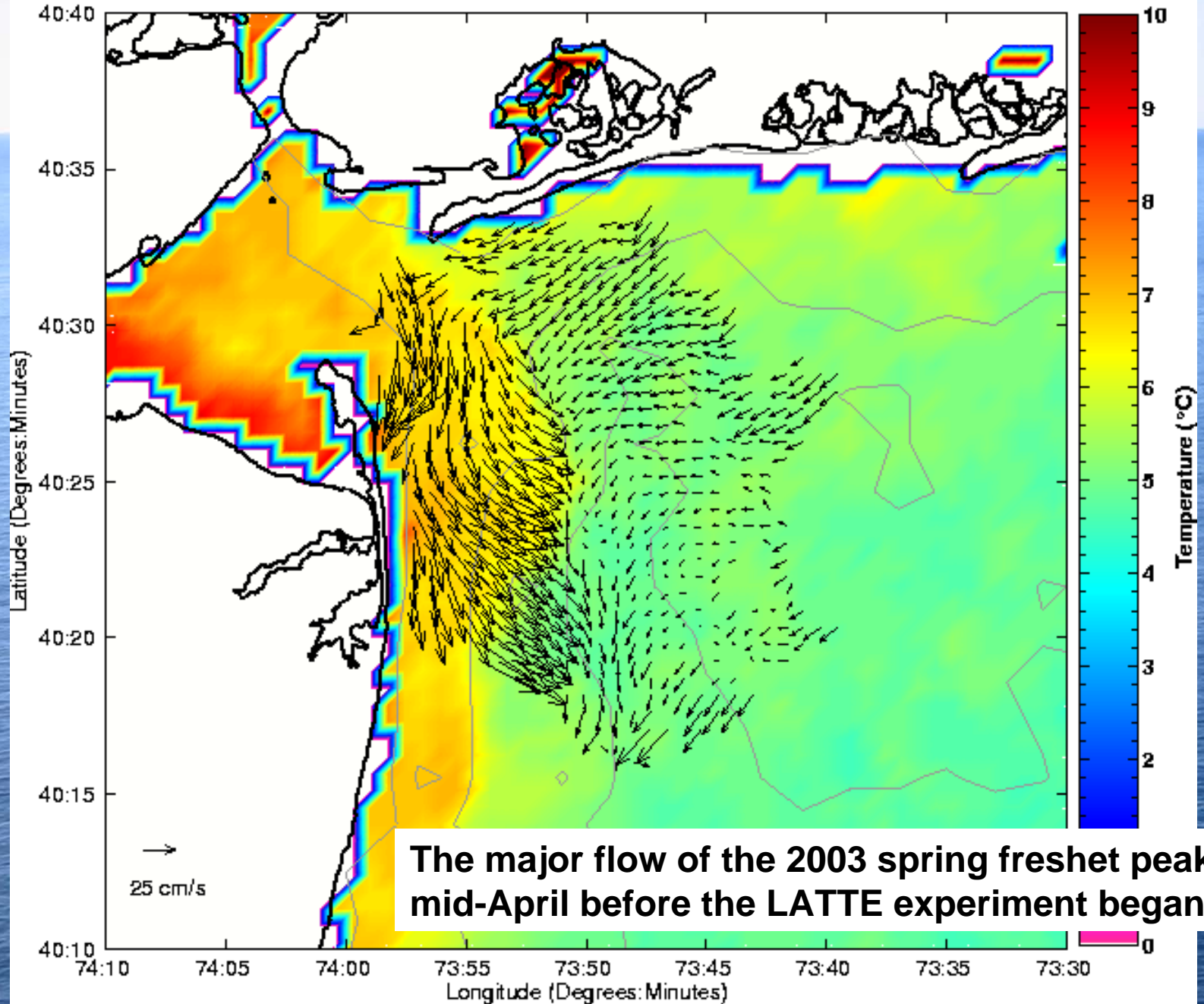


OBS (volts)

Contours show salinity



RU COOL Raw Velocities 2004/04/15 1600 GMT



The major flow of the 2003 spring freshet peaked in mid-April before the LATTE experiment began.

R/V Cape Hatteras

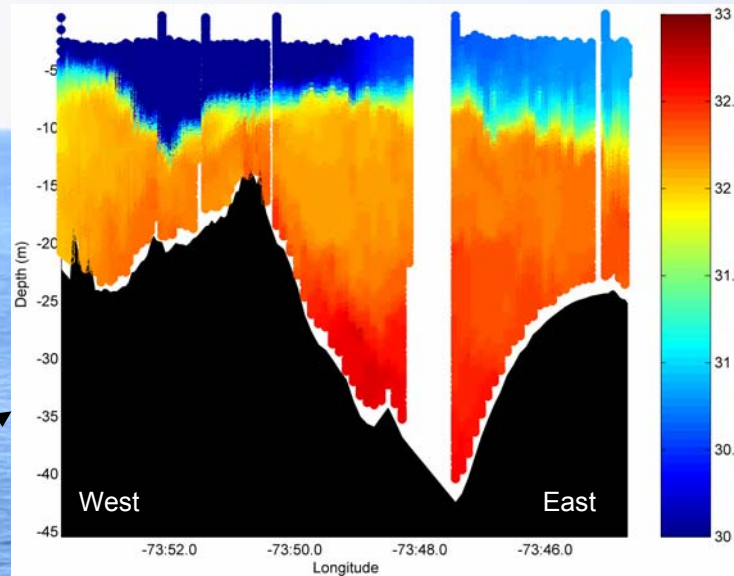
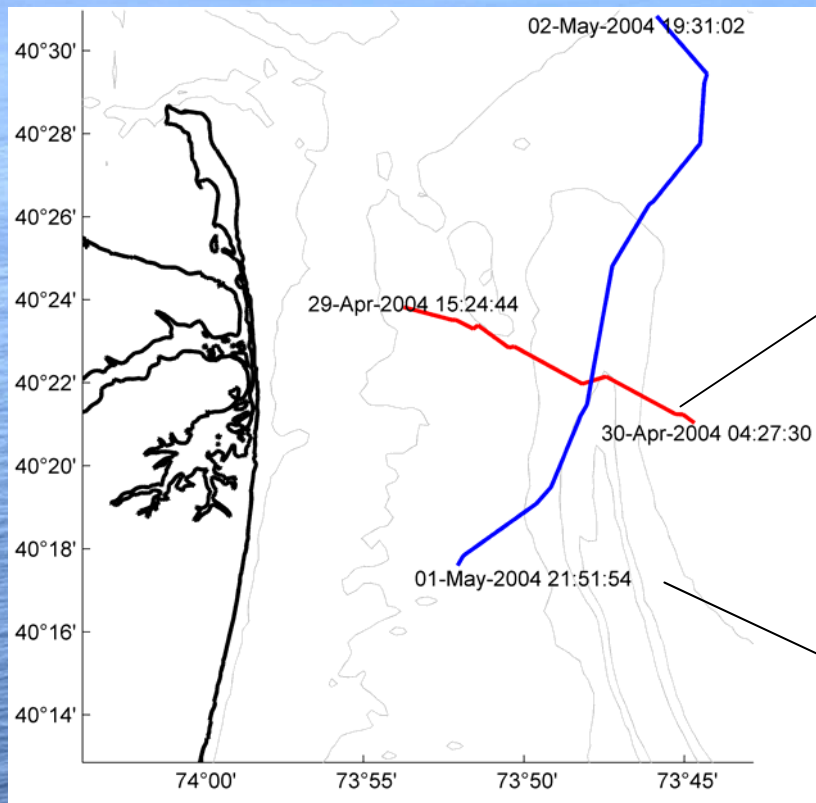


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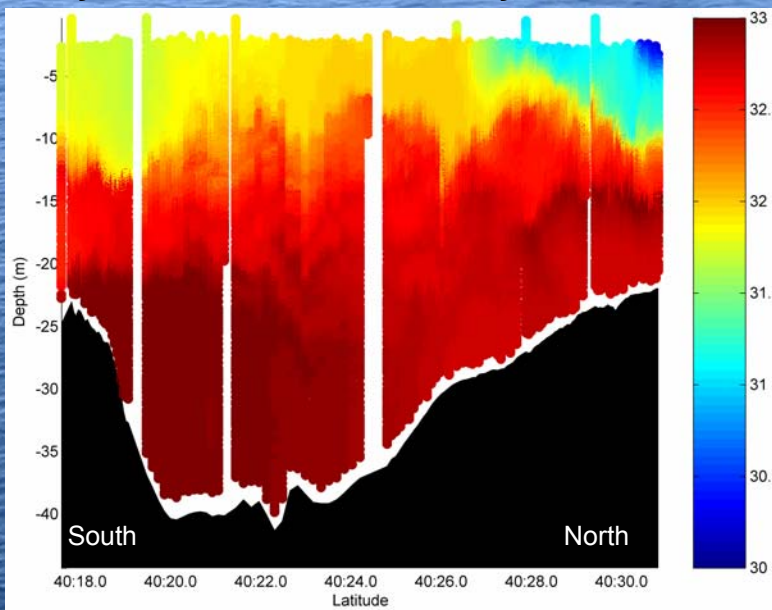


RU02 – Hudson River Plume

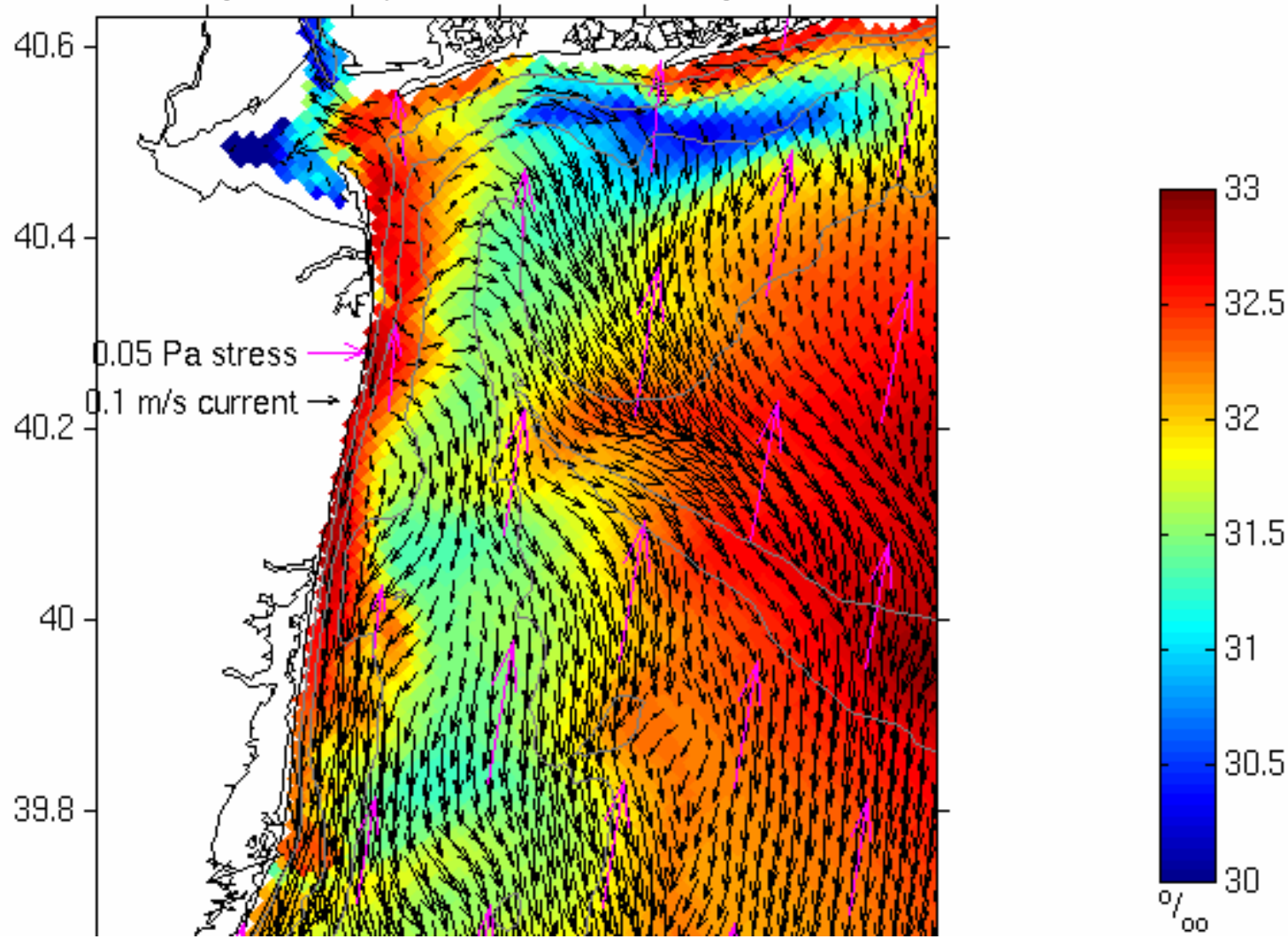
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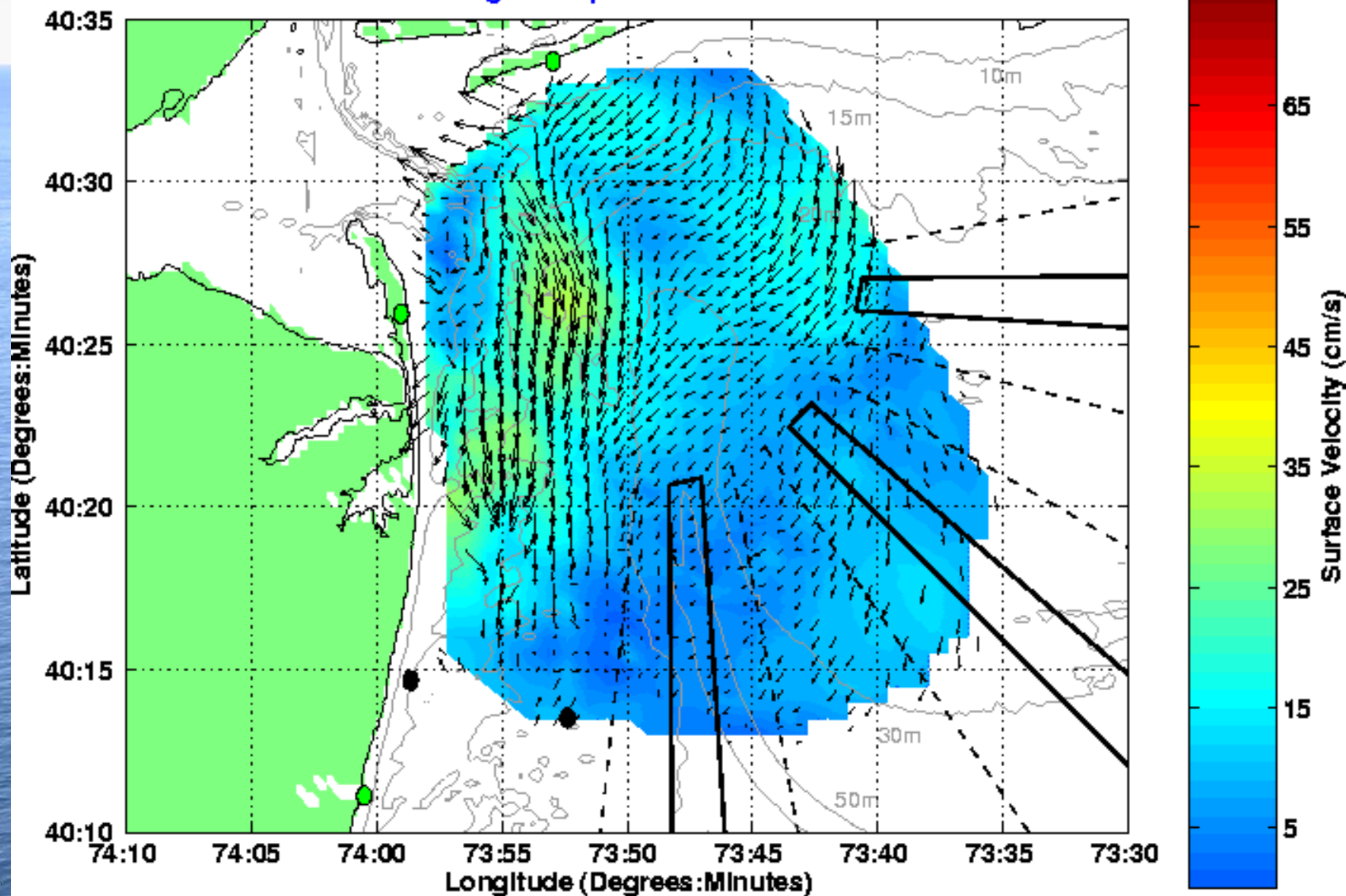
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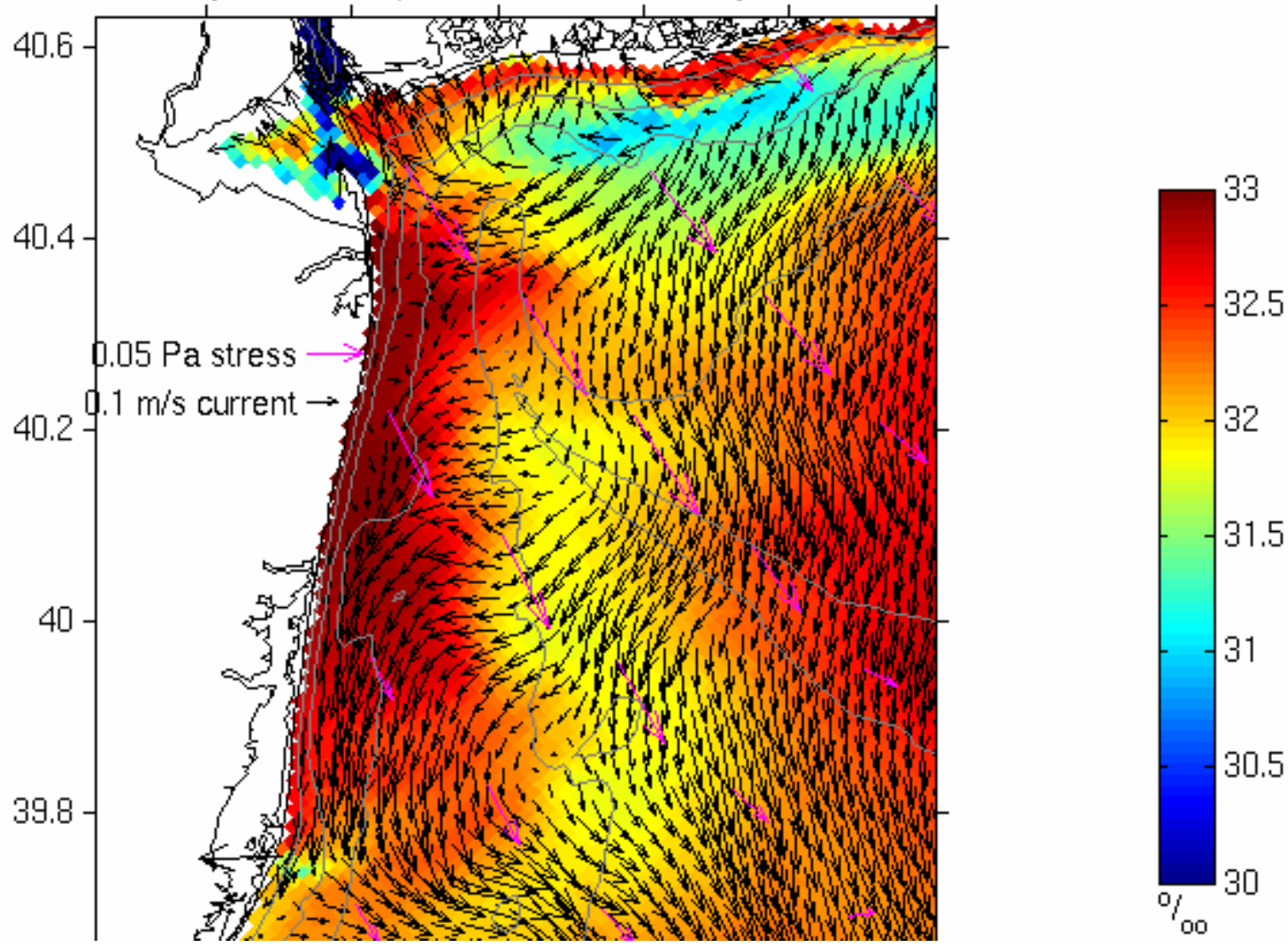
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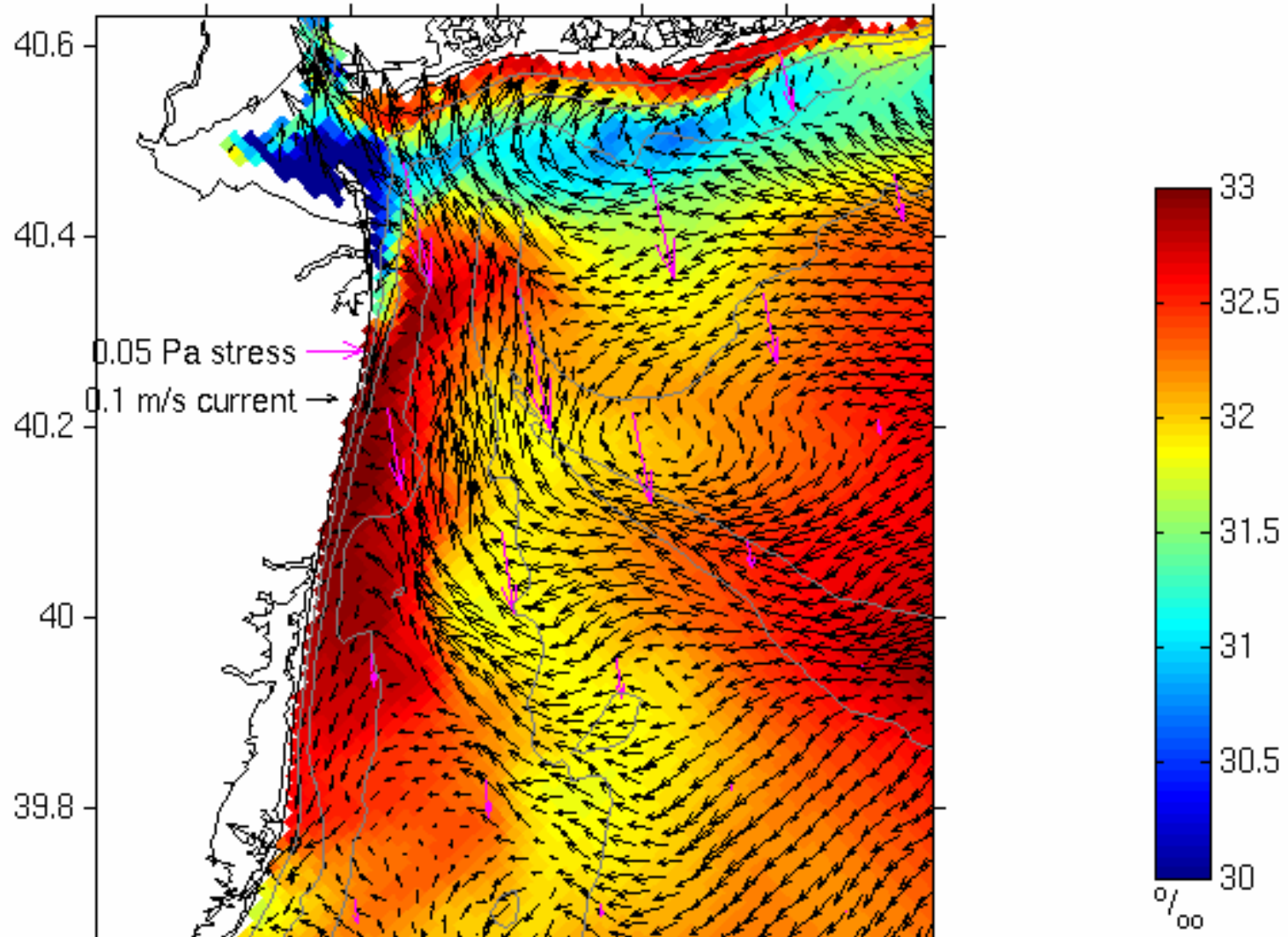
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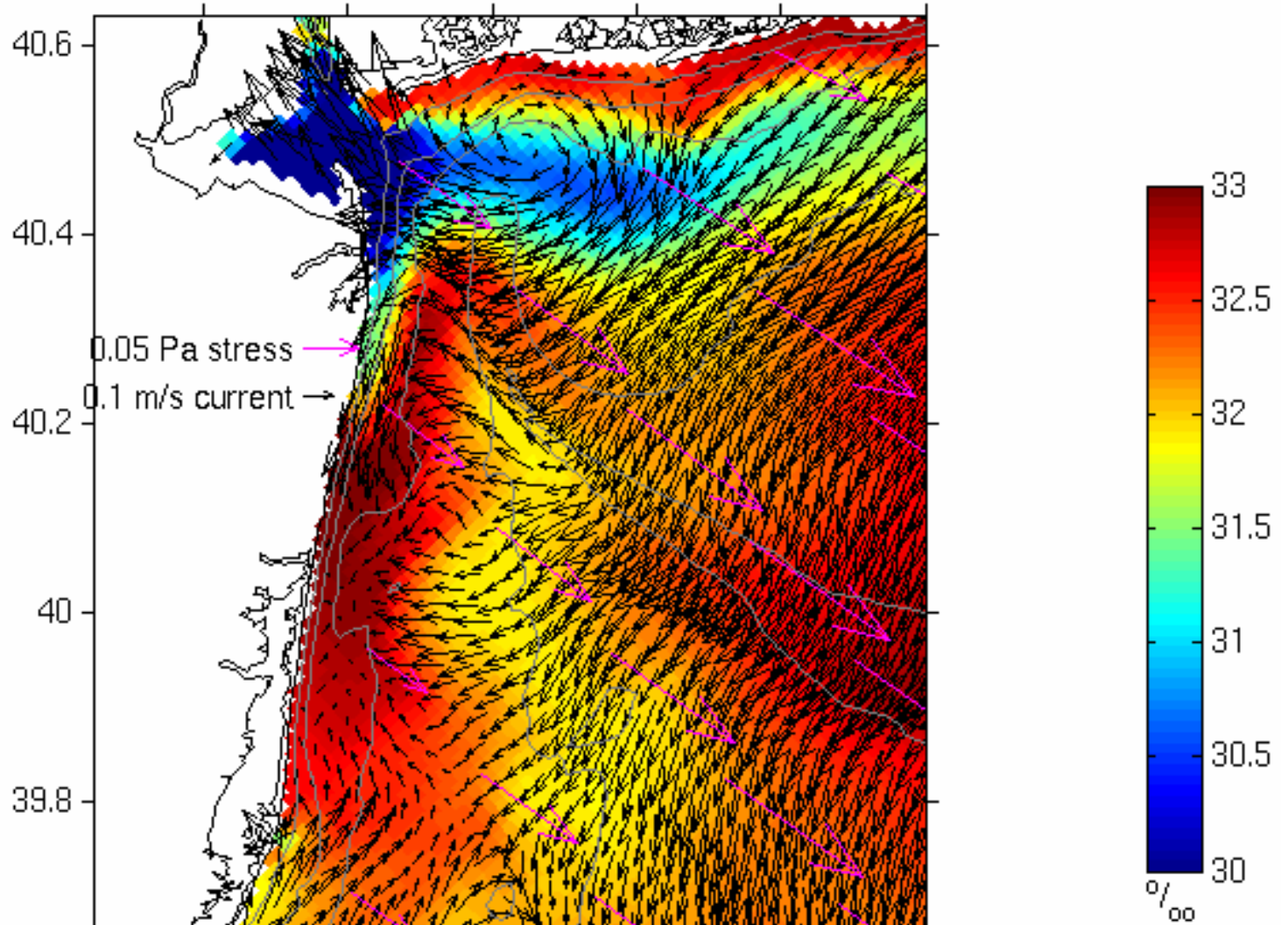
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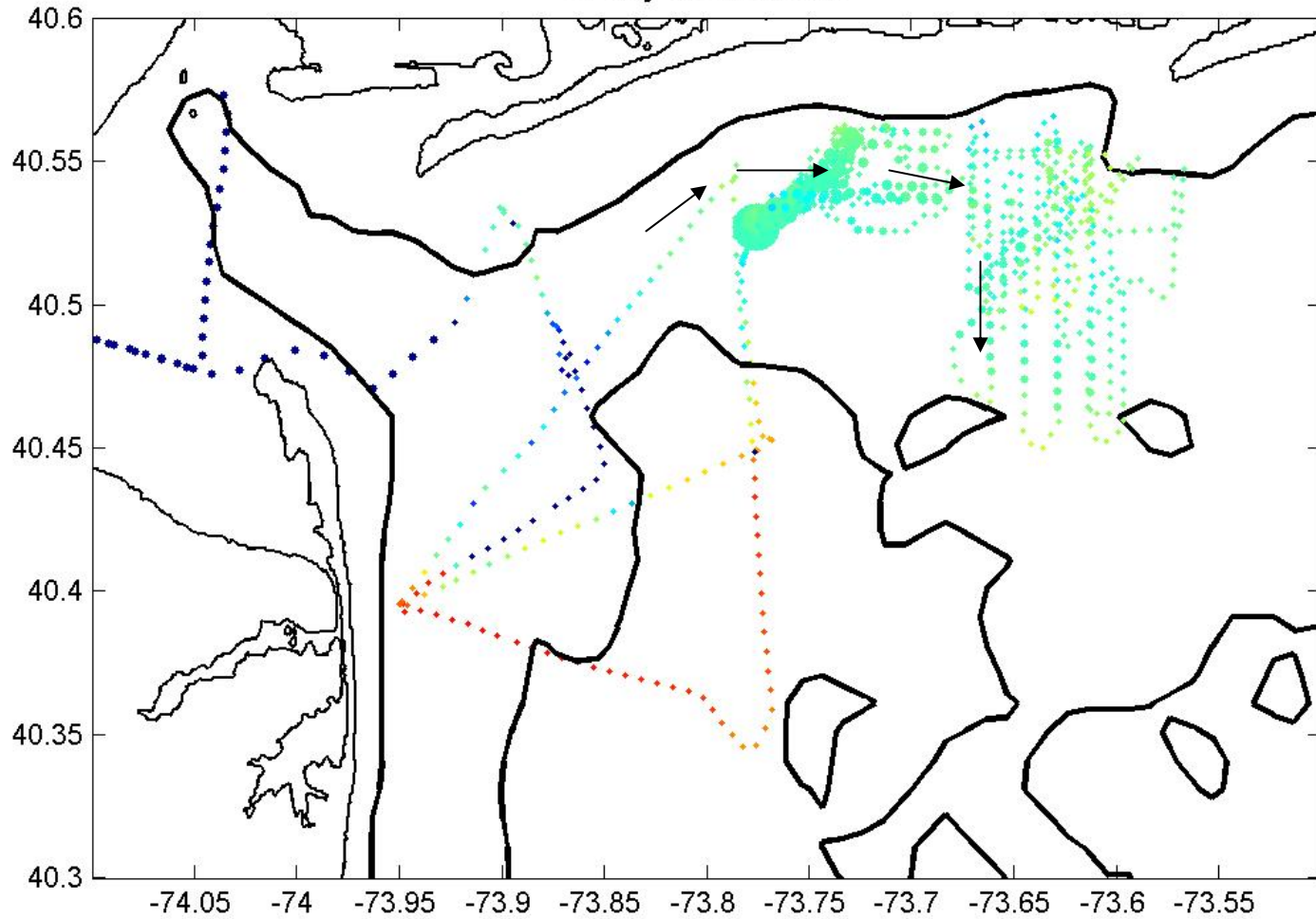
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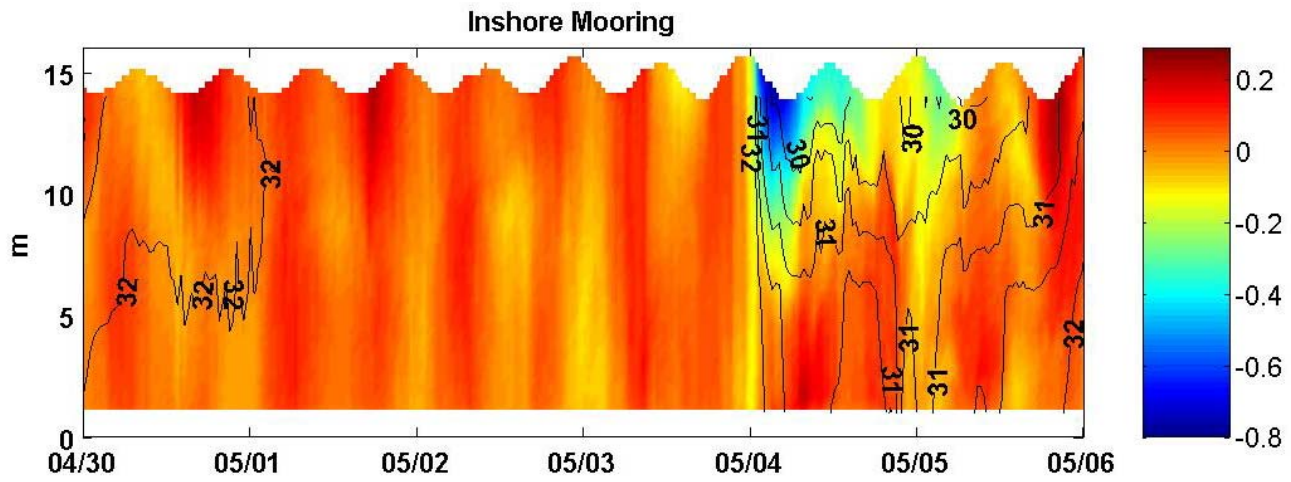


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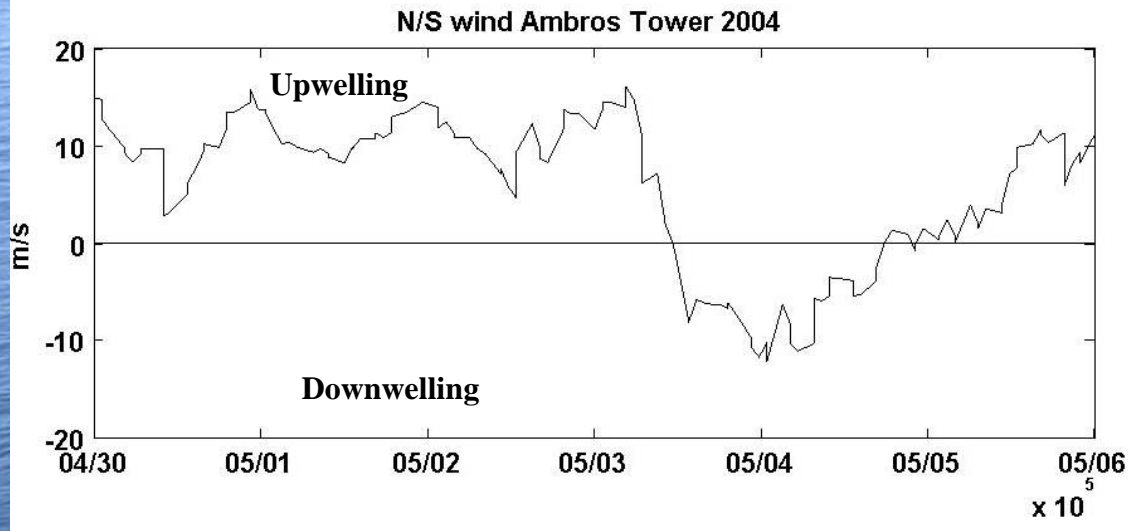


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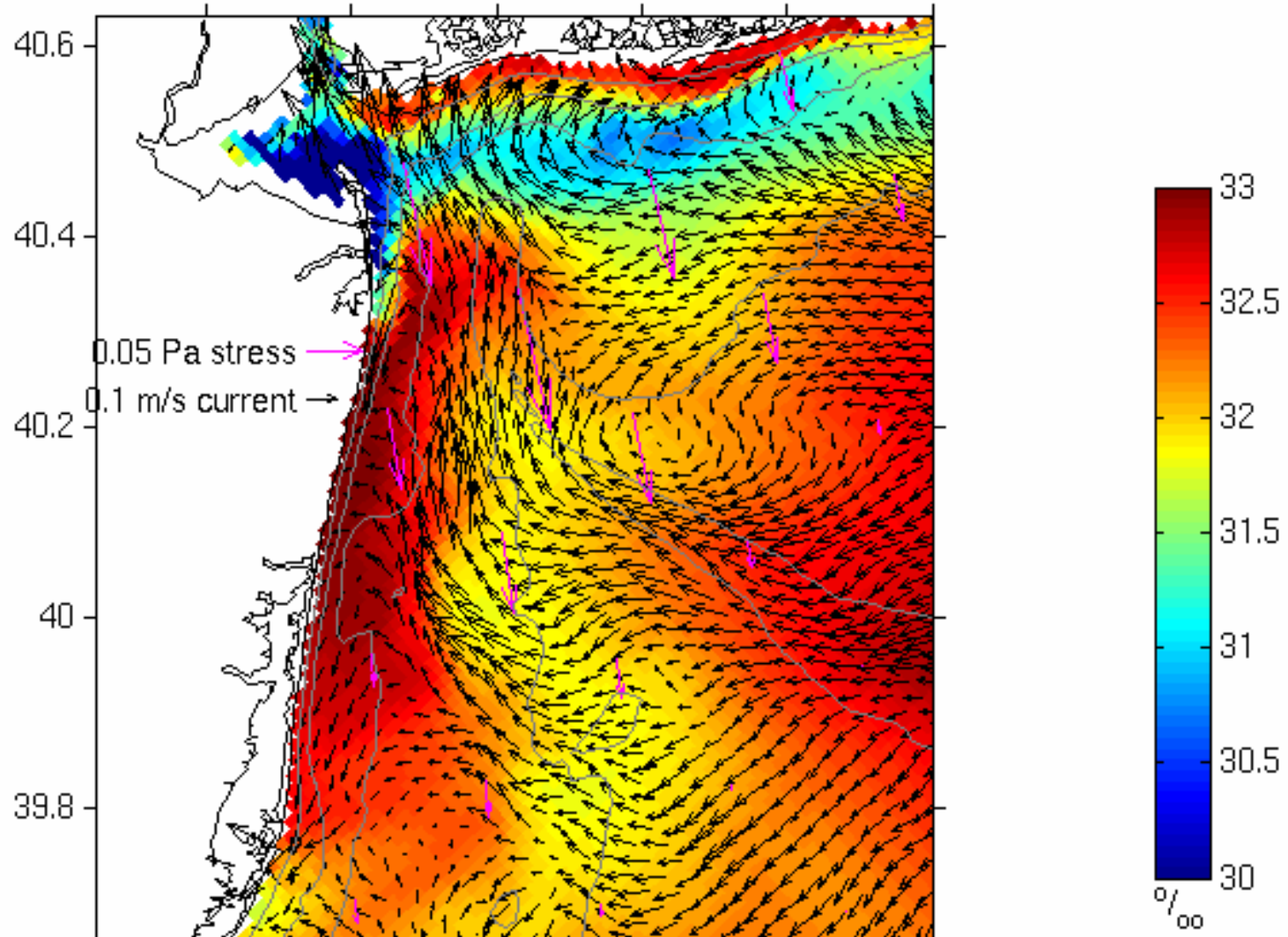


Along shore velocity (color) and salinity (contours) from inshore moorings in 15 m water. Positive currents are to the north.

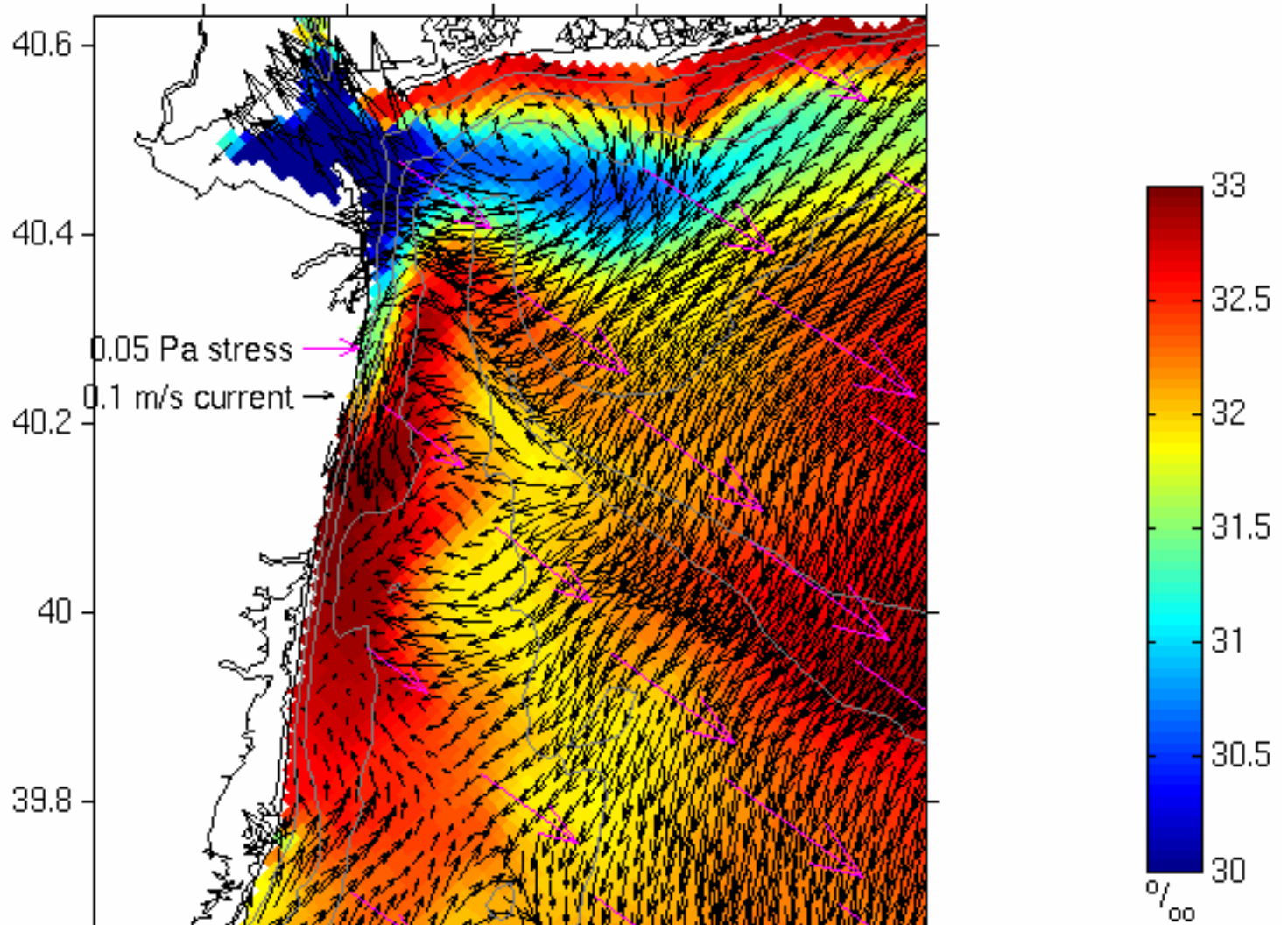


Along shore wind speed. Positive winds are upwelling favorable

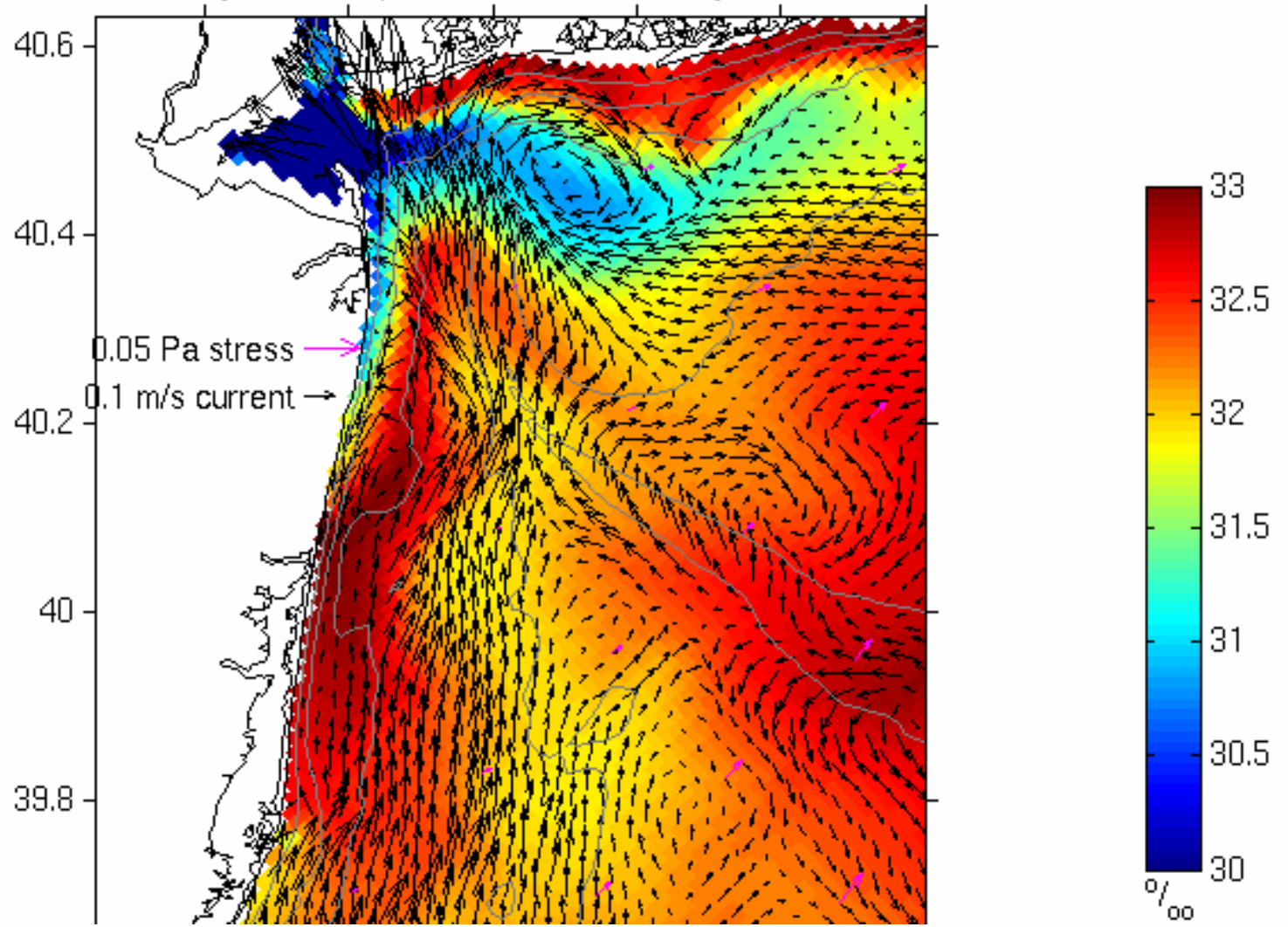
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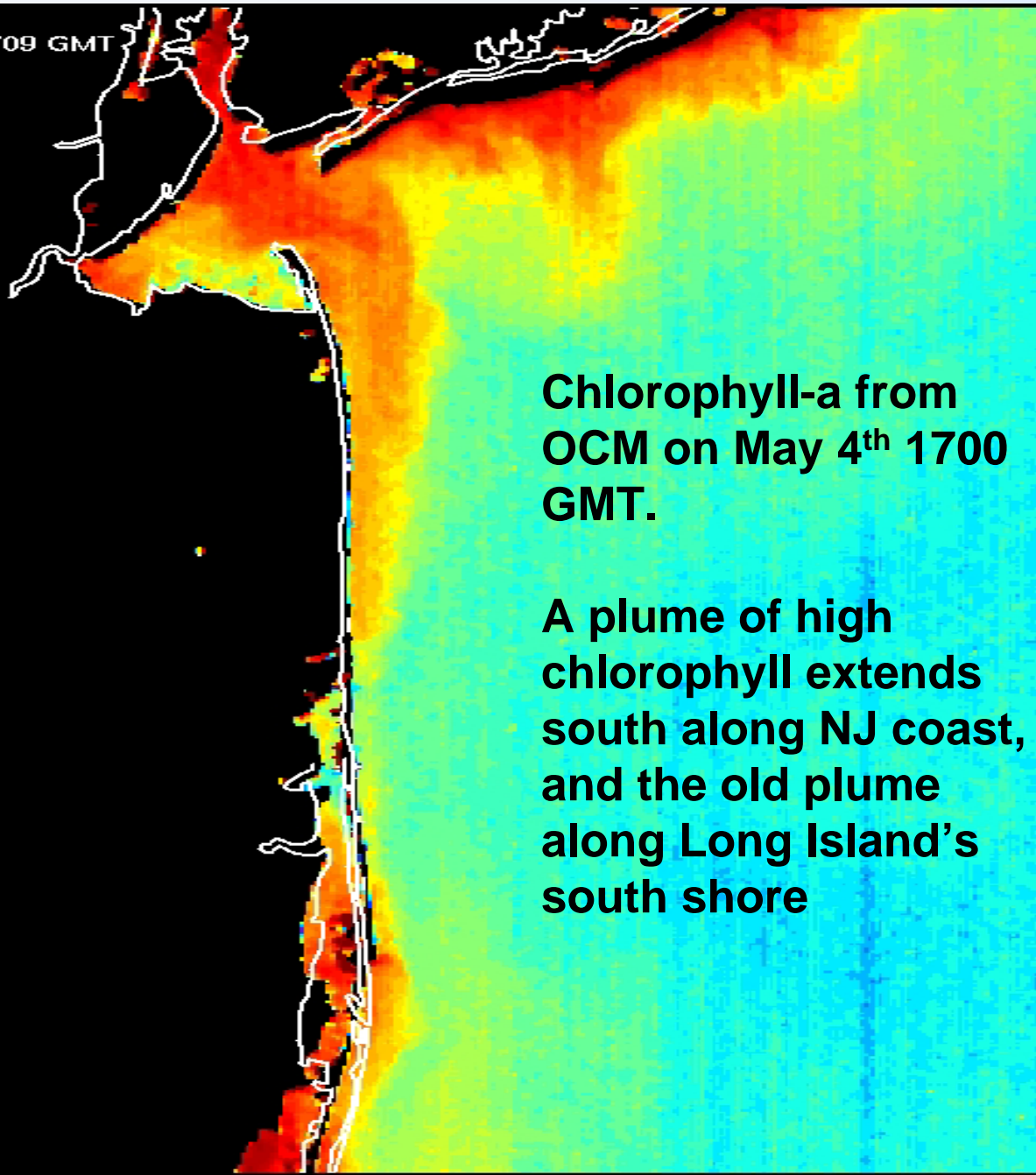
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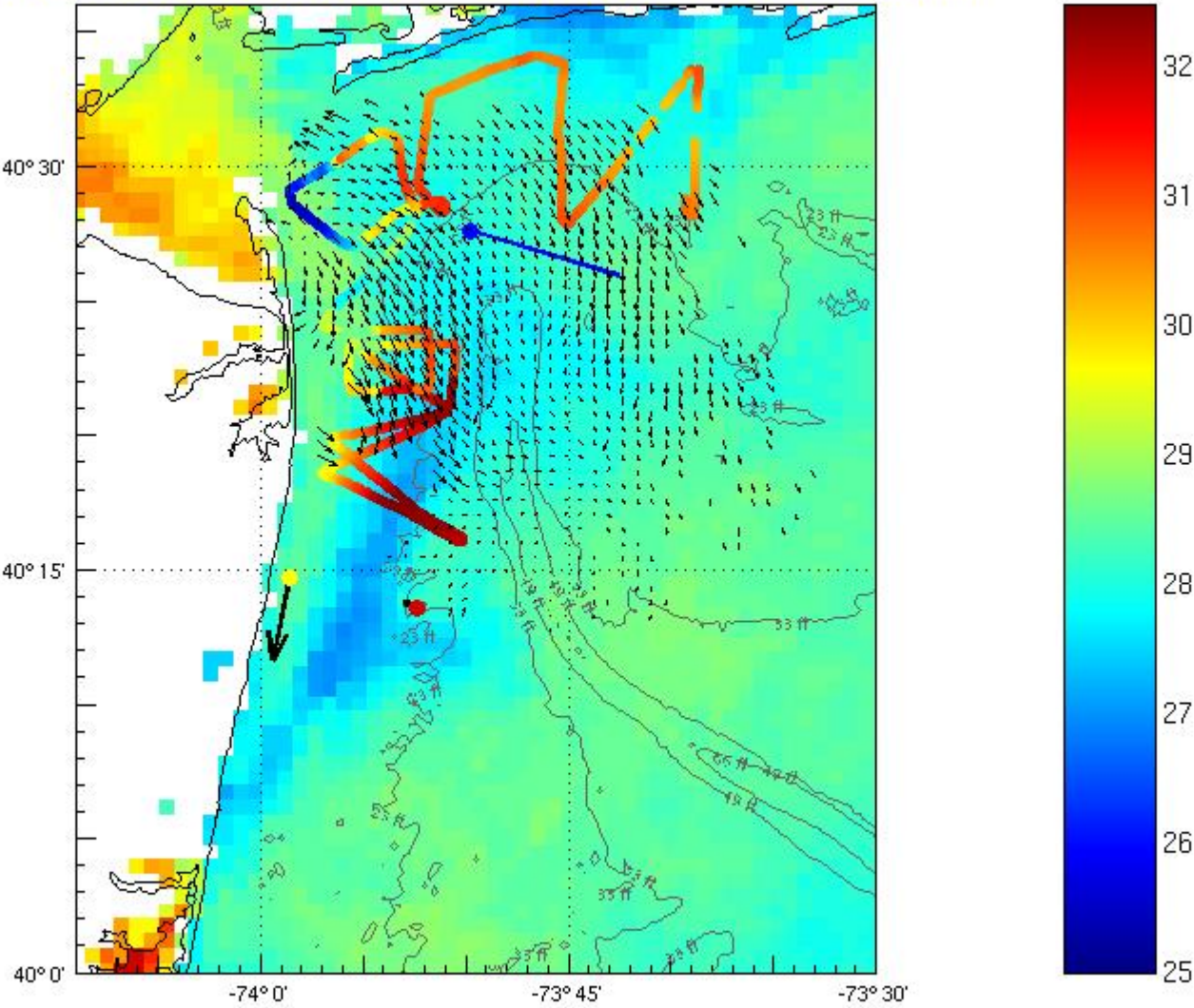
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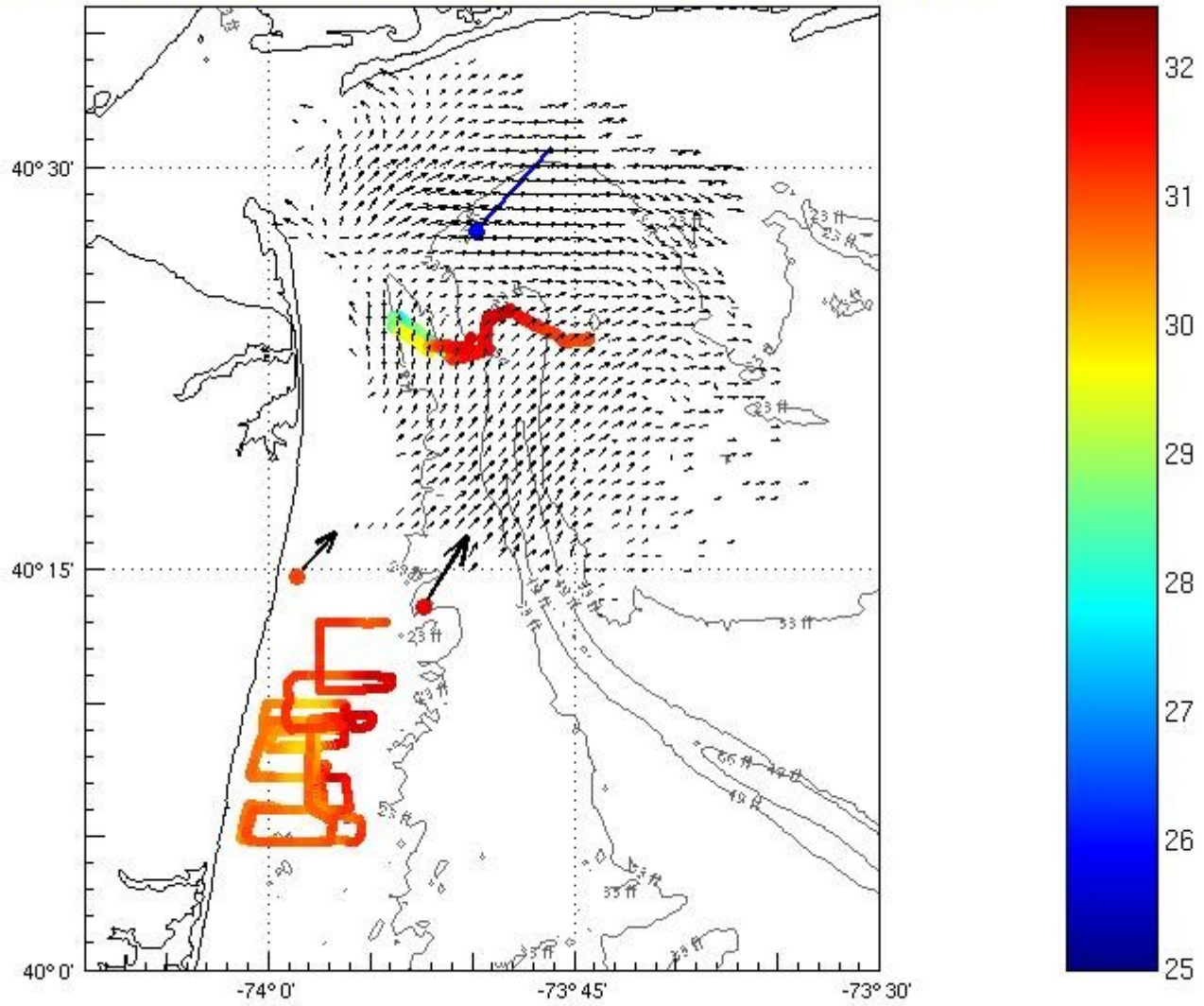
**Chlorophyll-a from
OCM on May 4th 1700
GMT.**

**A plume of high
chlorophyll extends
south along NJ coast,
and the old plume
along Long Island's
south shore**

CODAR surface current, wind, ship & mooring salinity @ 04-May-2004 12:19:00 GMT



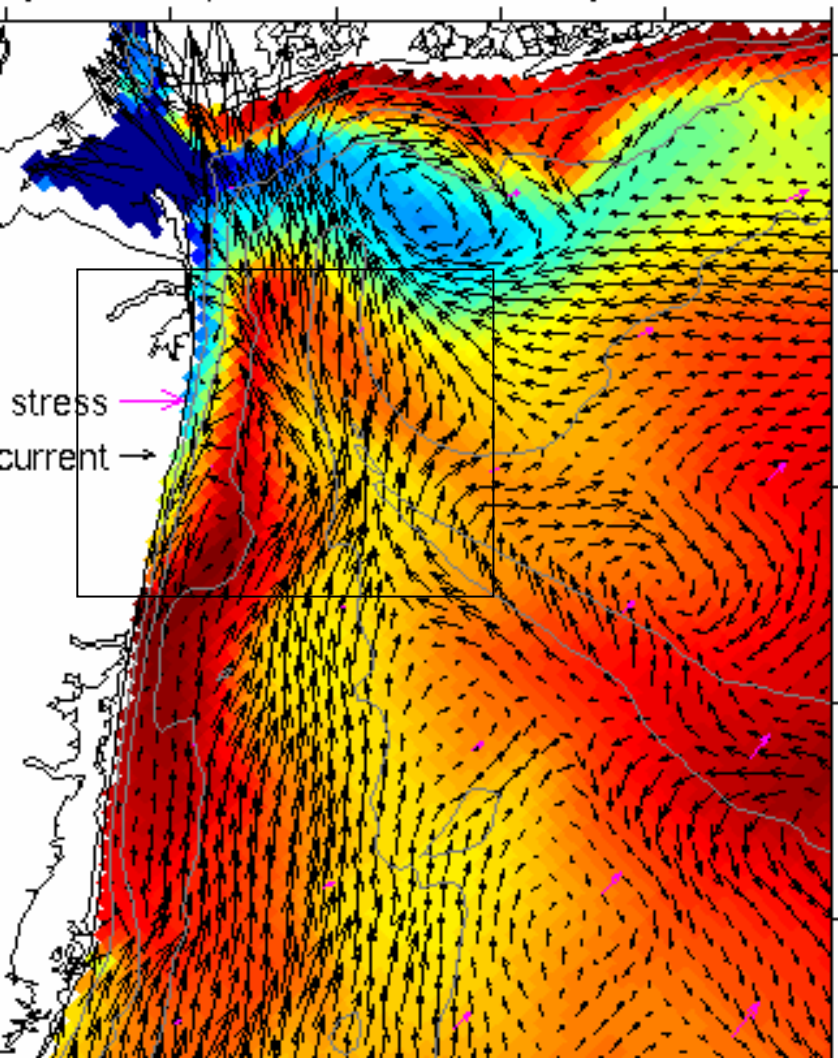
CODAR surface current, wind, ship & mooring salinity @ 05-May-2004 20:55:00 GMT



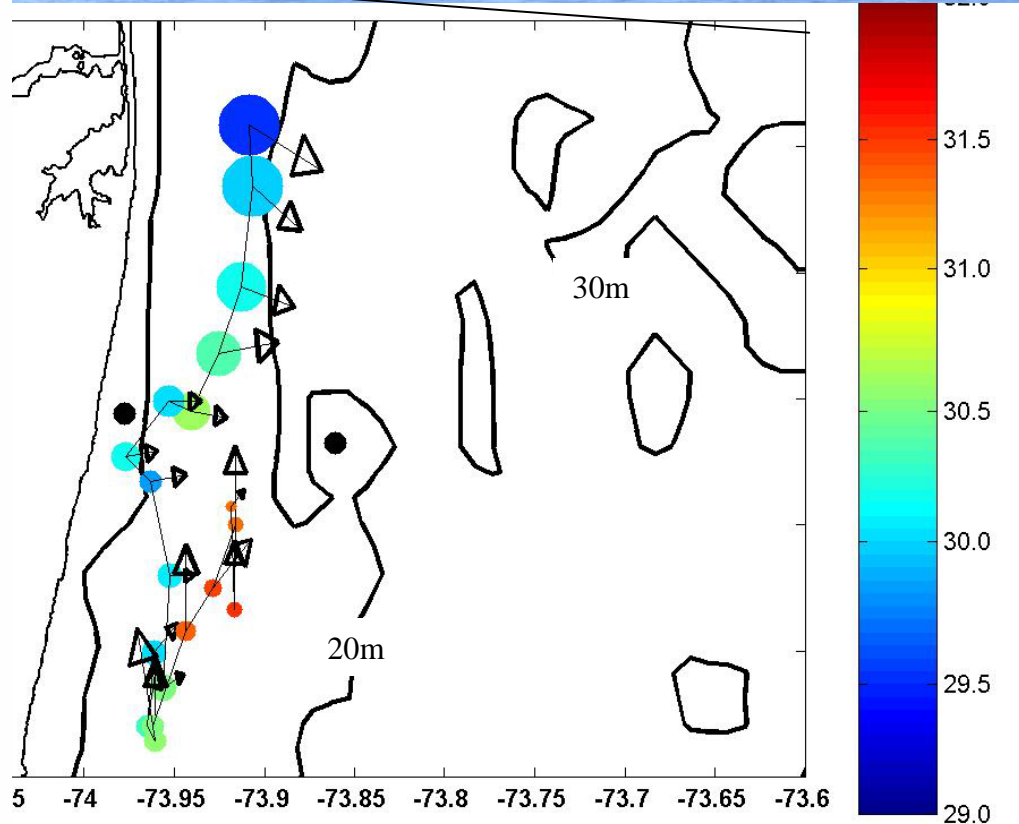
Dots show location of the maximum dye concentration every 2 hours.

The size of the dot is scaled by dye concentration and its salinity is depicted by color.

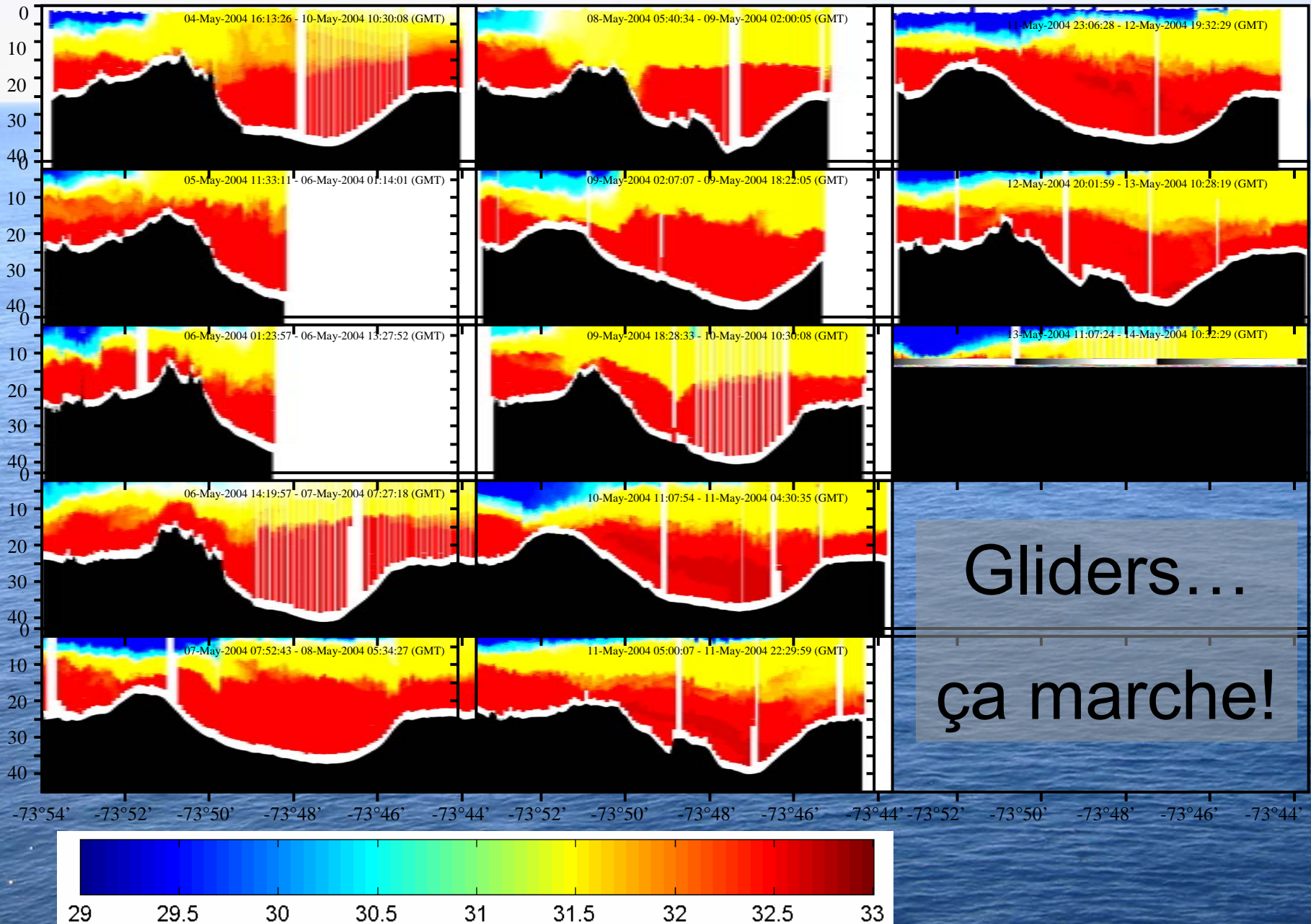
May 125 - Depth 5 m - Date 05-May-2004 00:00:00



Arrows depict winds: Northerly to southerly after dye passed 40.2°N.



LATTE 2004 Salinity Cross-Sections: Hudson River Plume



Summary

- New technologies are expanding our ability to study coastal processes by simultaneously observing physics, geochemistry and ecology at resolutions suited to quantitative interdisciplinary analysis
- Long-term point time series and repeat observations
- Observing system developments are matched by advances in ocean modeling:
 - high resolution; accurate forcing; adequate CPU
 - more accurate numerical algorithms
 - realistic parameterizations of subgridscale physics

- Coastal ocean forecasts complement the operation of coastal observatories:
 - Explore conceptual ideas and test hypotheses
 - Process-oriented dynamic studies (e.g. idealized physics)
 - Lagrangian pathways (Where did the water come from?)
 - Synthesis tool with coupled geochemical-ecosystem-optics models
 - Adaptive sampling design (real-time)
 - Observing system design
- Models have the skill to become short-term ocean prediction systems for coastal waters

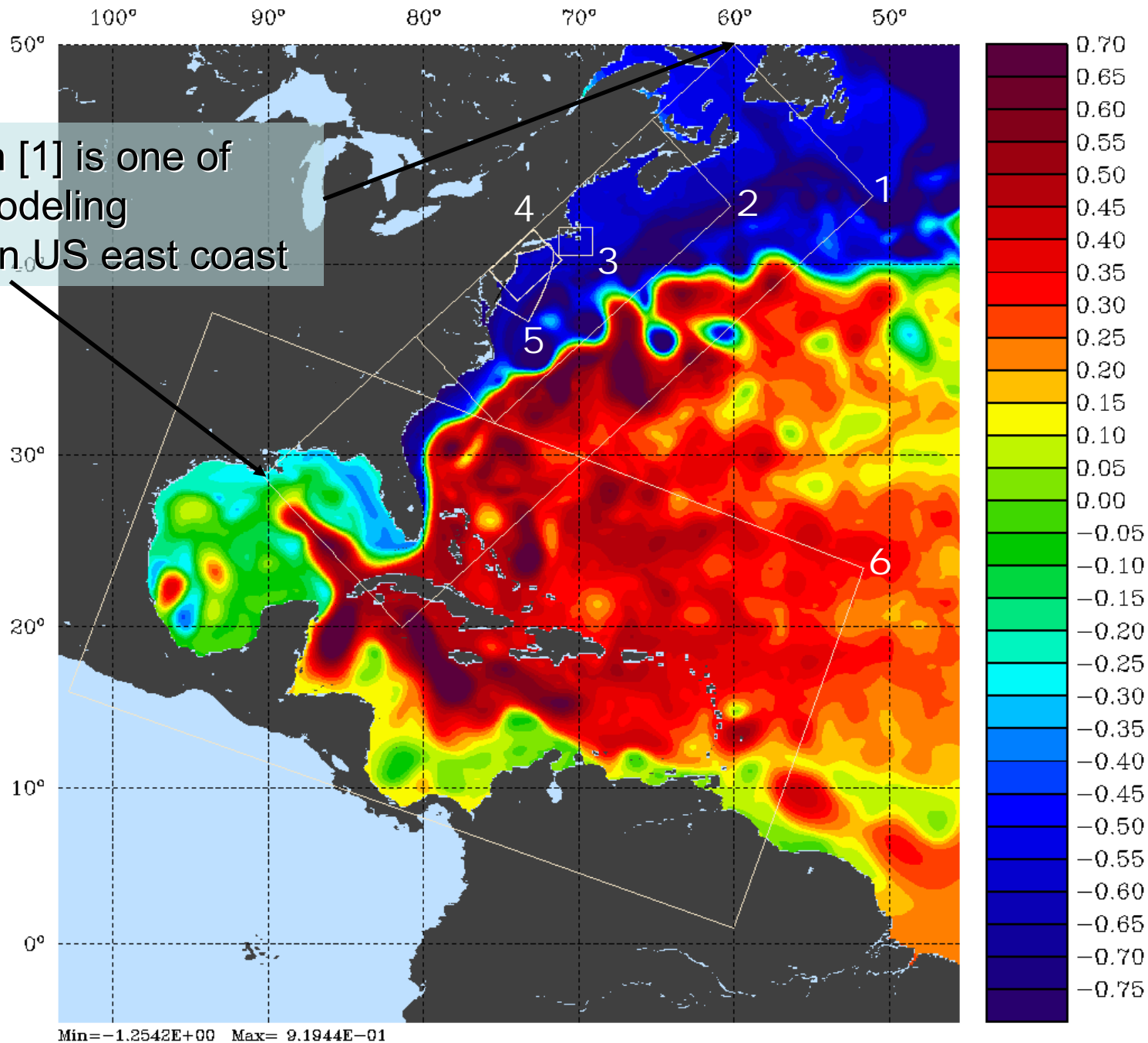


NENA

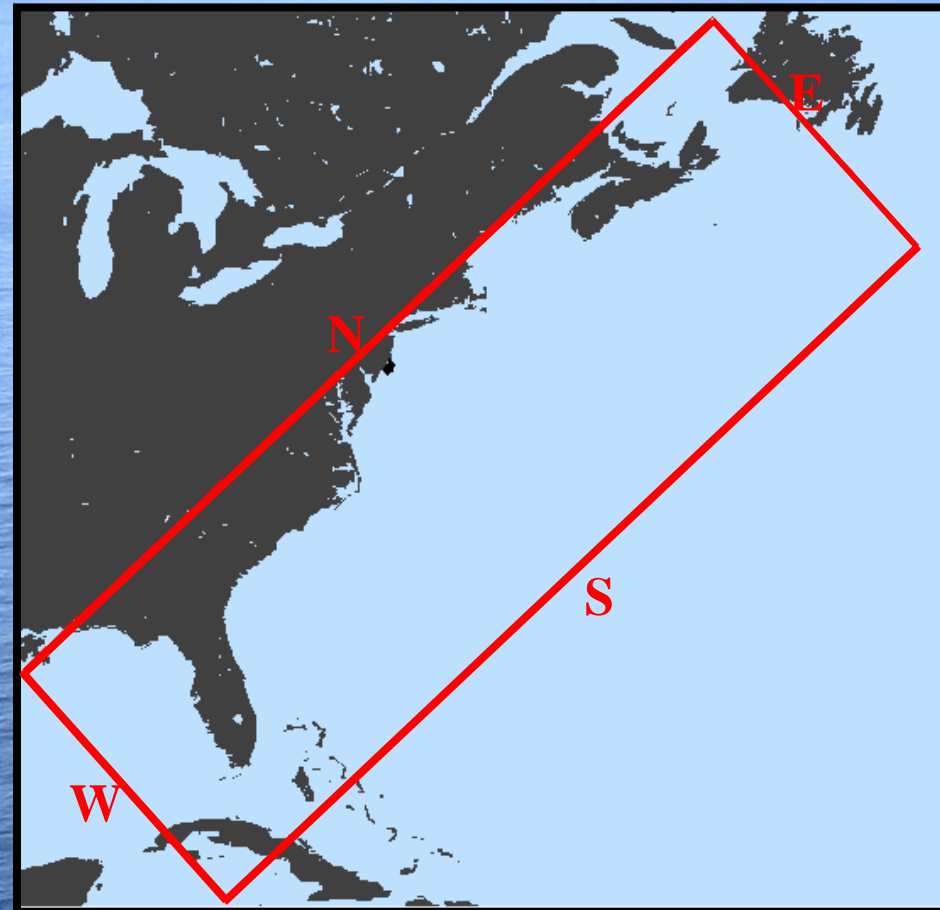
- Northeast North America shelf model
- Continental shelf nutrient and carbon budget
- Simple nesting within basin scale models



NENA domain [1] is one of several RU modeling applications on US east coast



1-way nested grid open boundary conditions



- Tracers and 3D momentum:
Clamped to interpolated values from larger grid time snapshots

- 2D normal momentum:
Flather boundary conditions

$$\bar{U}^{n+1} = \bar{U}_b + (g/h)^{1/2} (\zeta^n - \zeta_b)$$

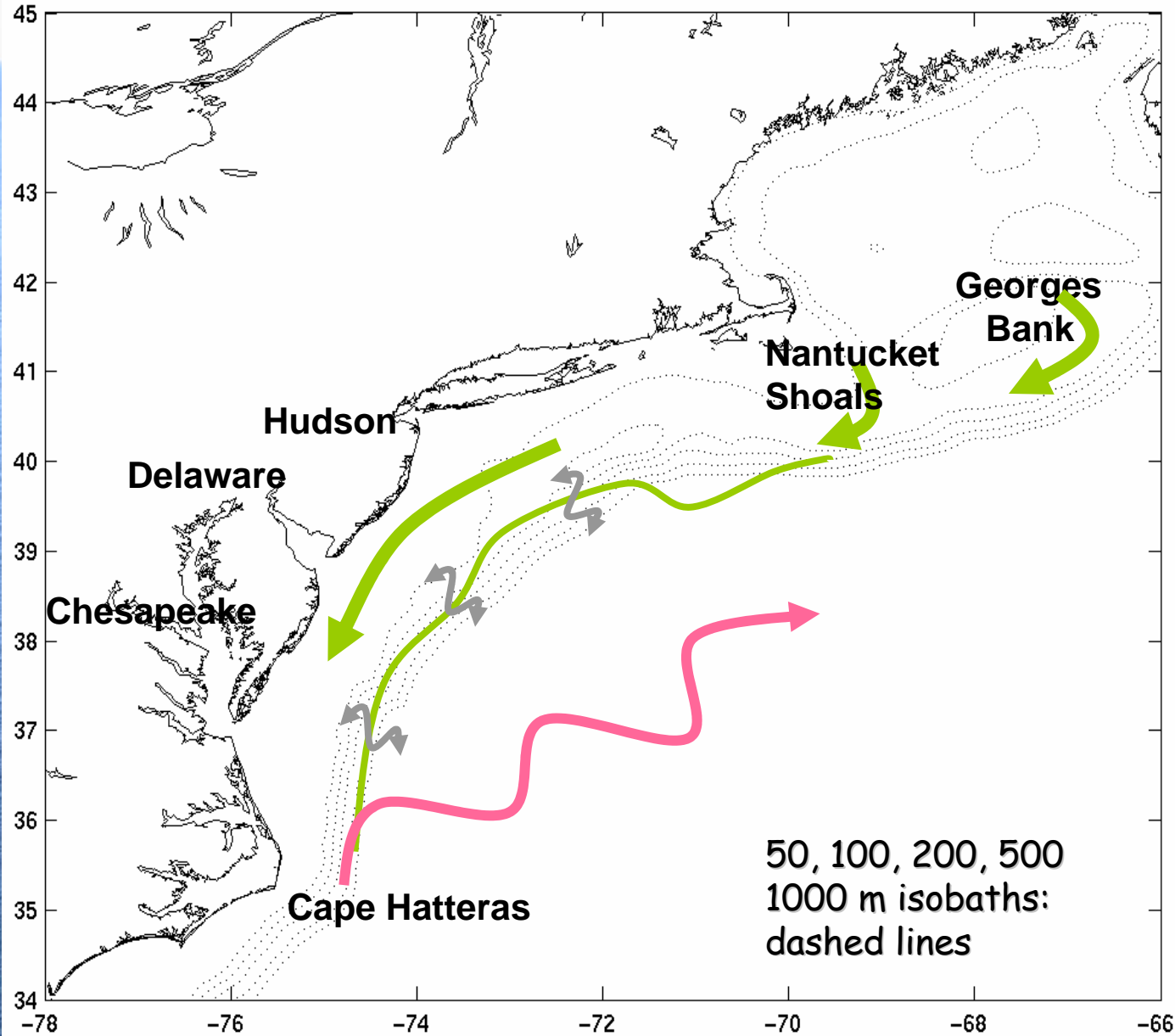
- 2D tangential momentum:
Chapman boundary conditions

$$\bar{V}^{n+1} = (\bar{V}^n + c\bar{V}^{n+1})/(1-c), \quad c = \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} (gh)^{1/2}$$

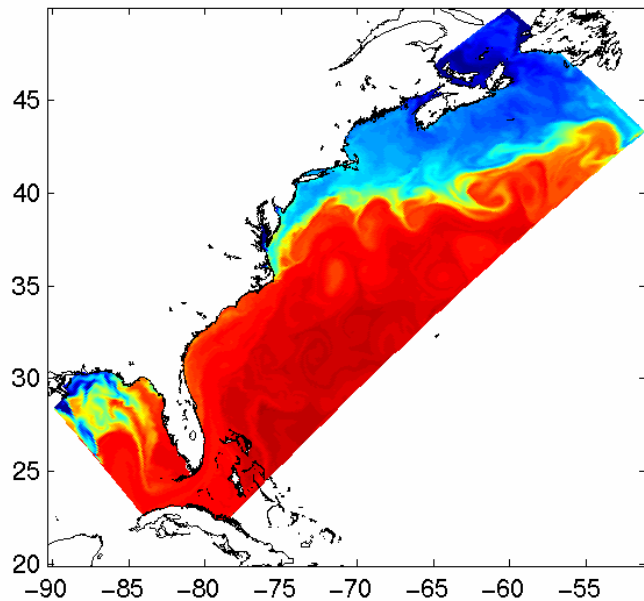
- Free-surface:
Chapman boundary conditions

$$\zeta^{n+1} = (\zeta^n + c\zeta^{n+1})/(1-c), \quad c = \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} (gh)^{1/2}$$

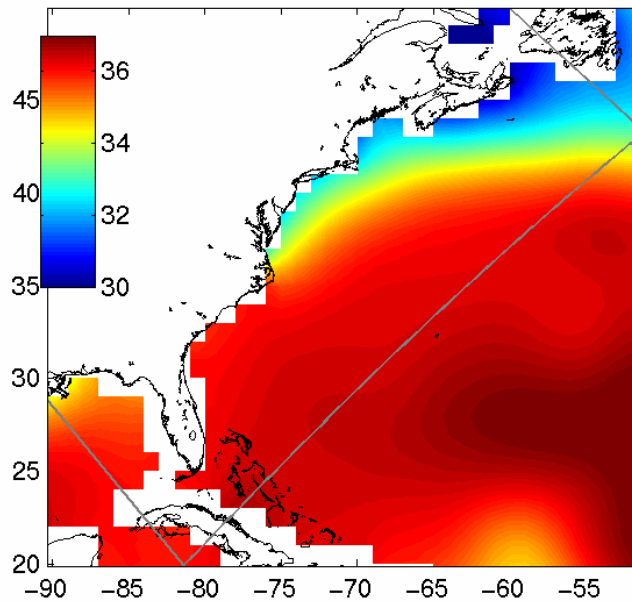
Mid Atlantic Bight (MAB)



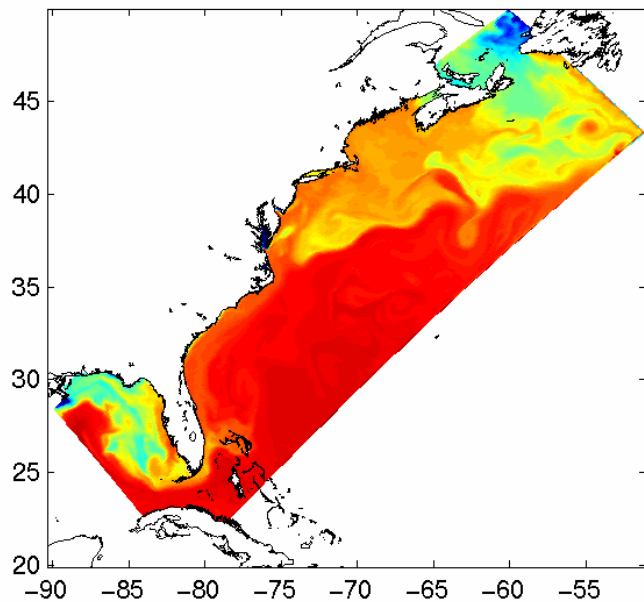
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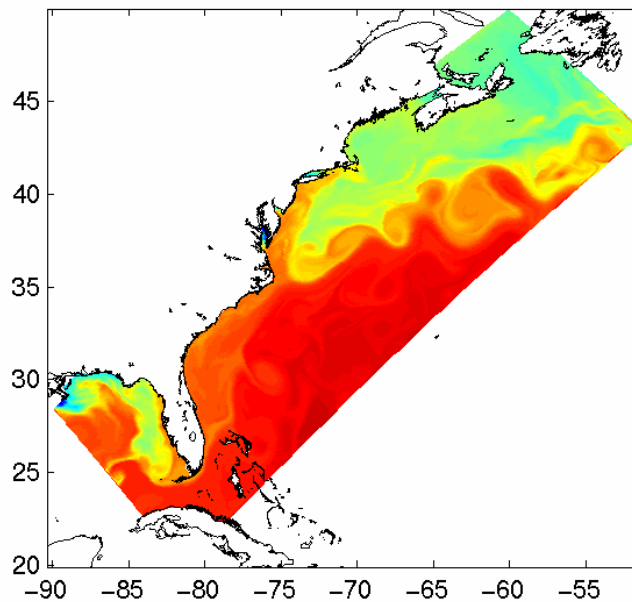
WOA98 salinity at 10 m for Aug



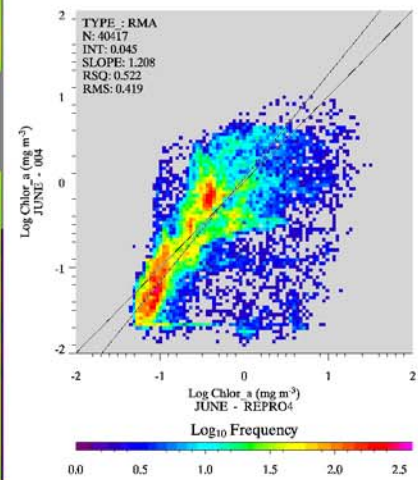
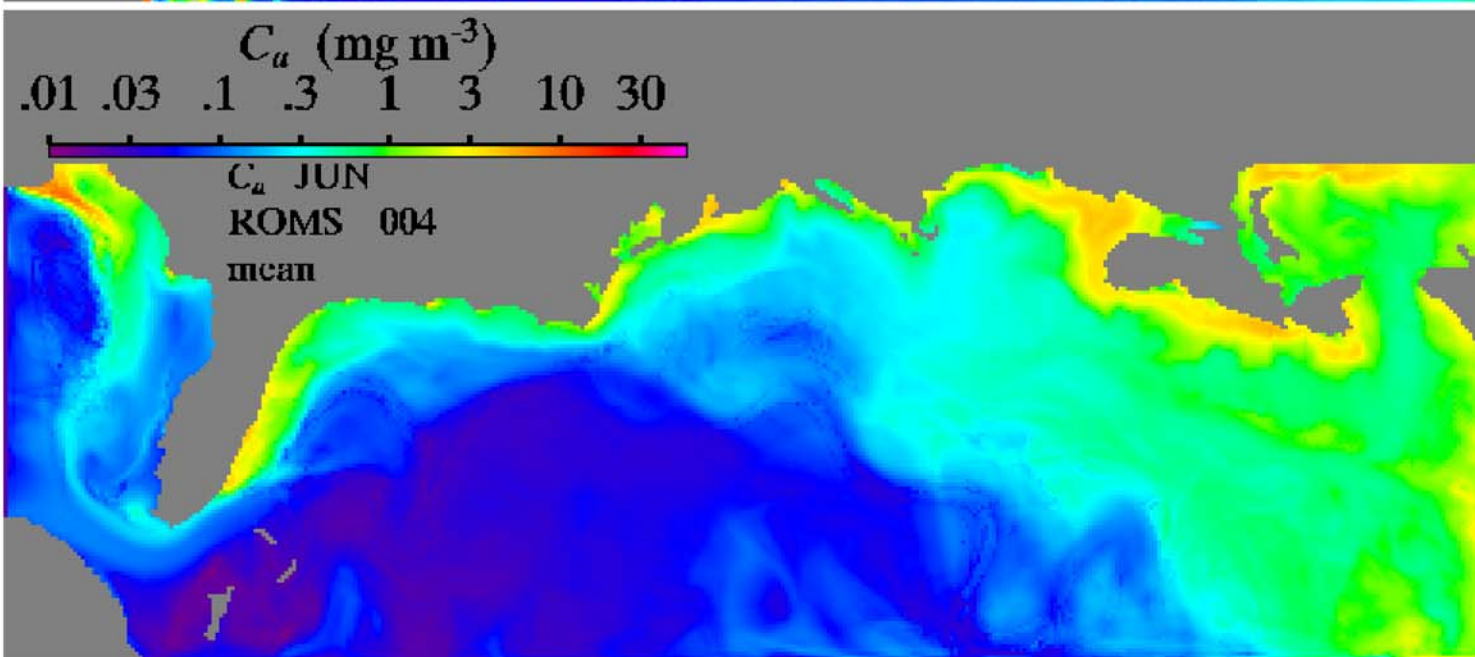
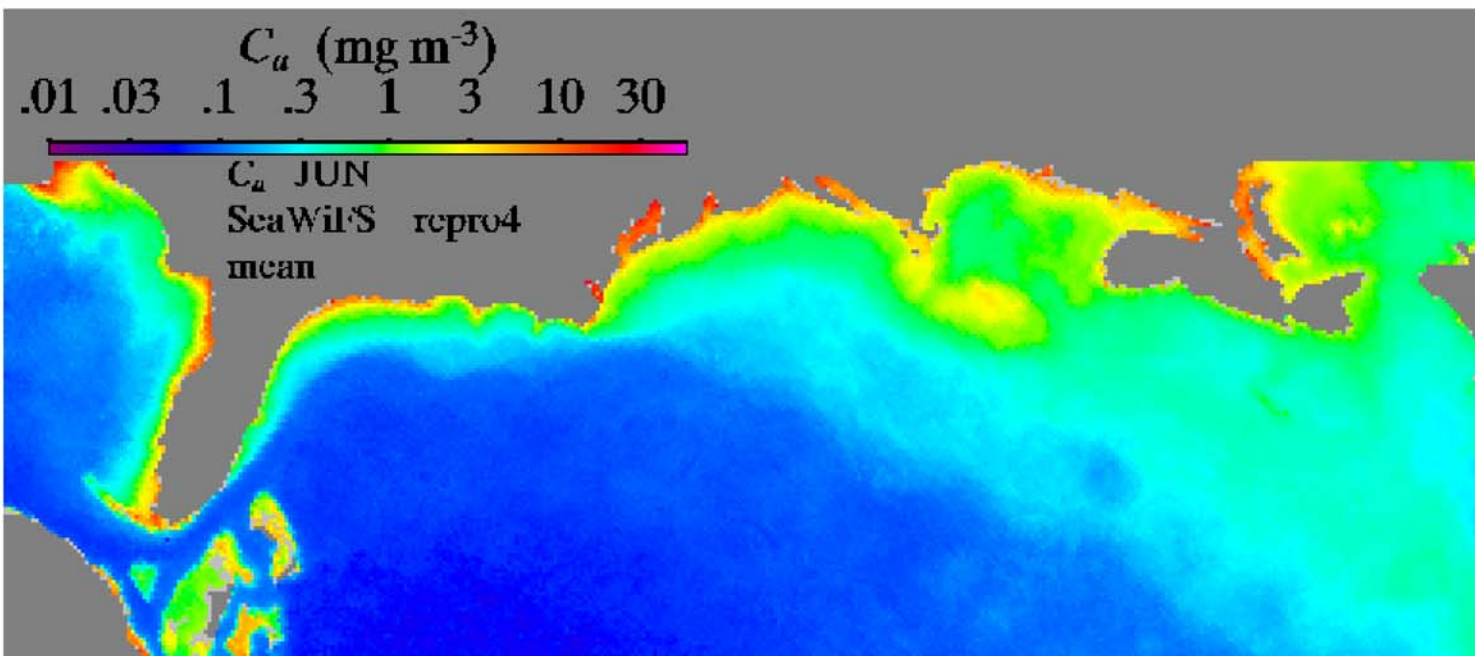
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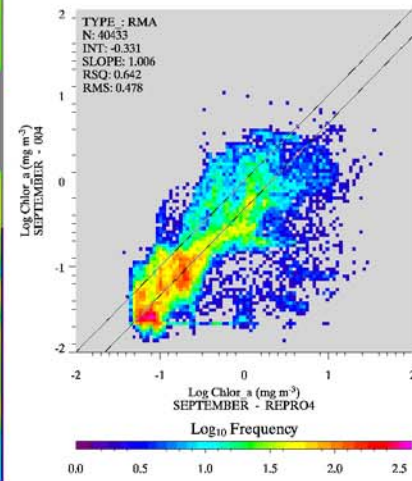
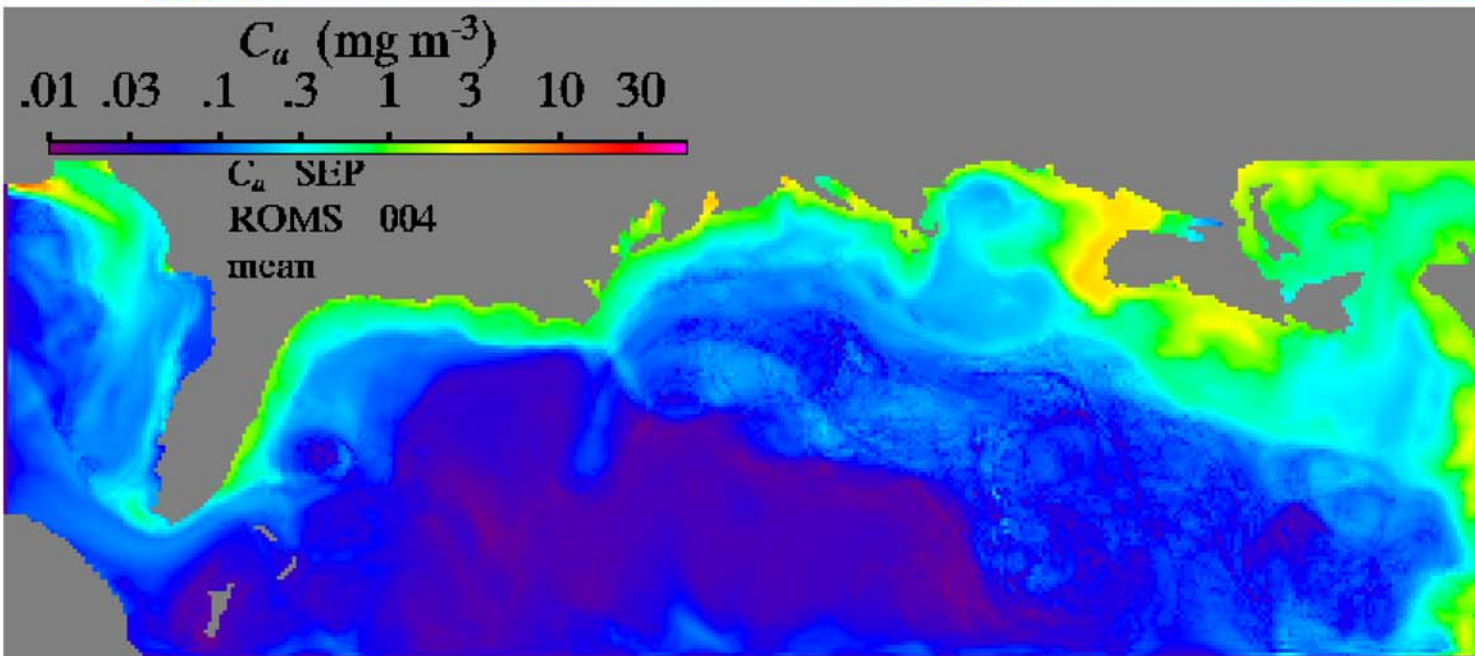
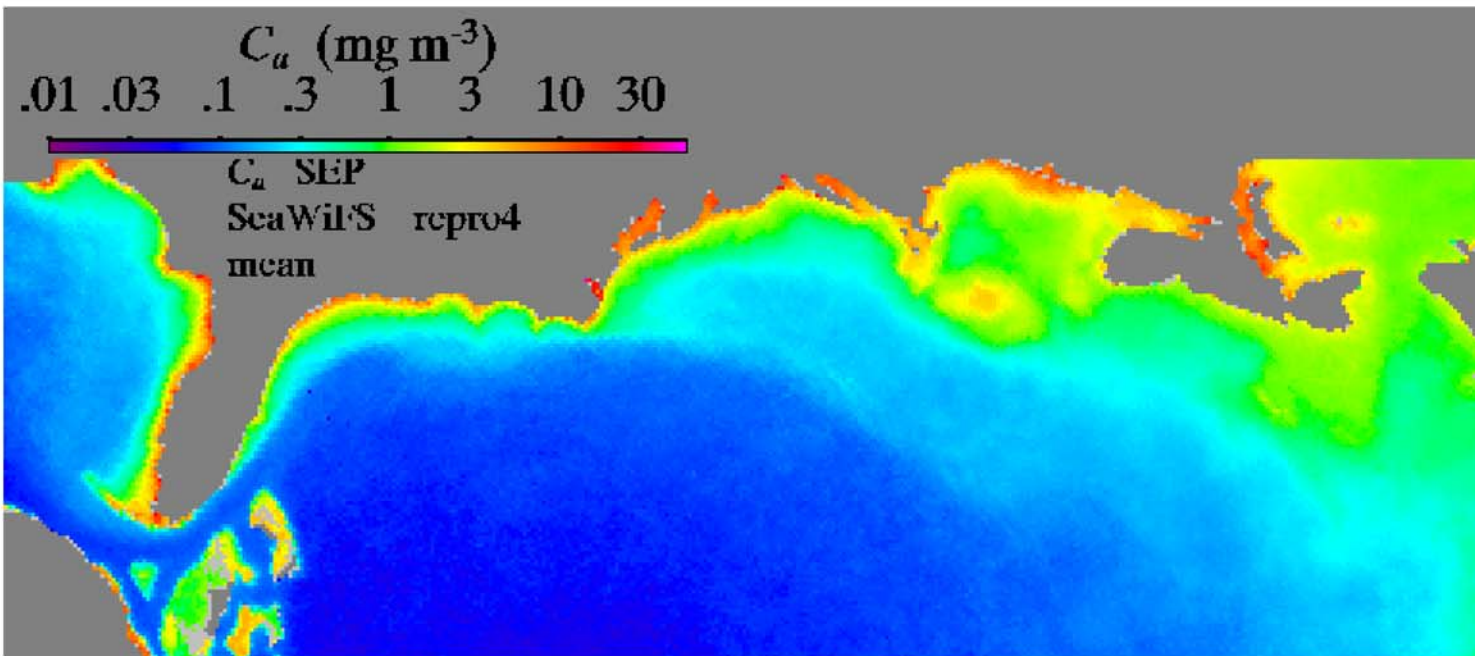
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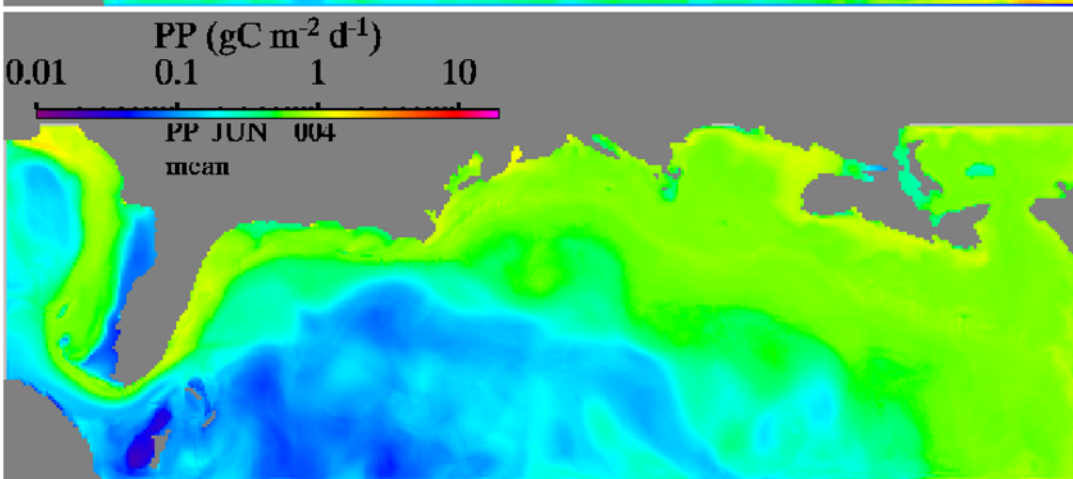
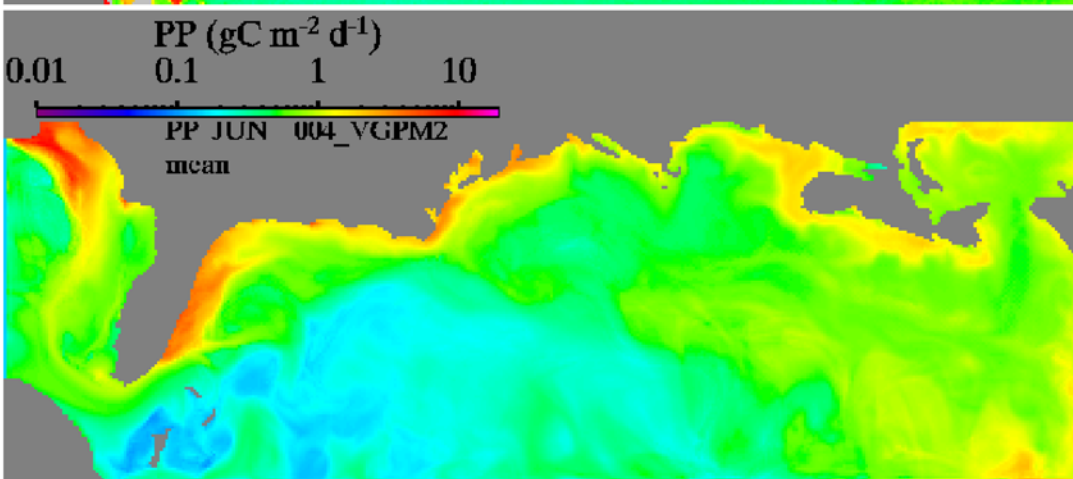
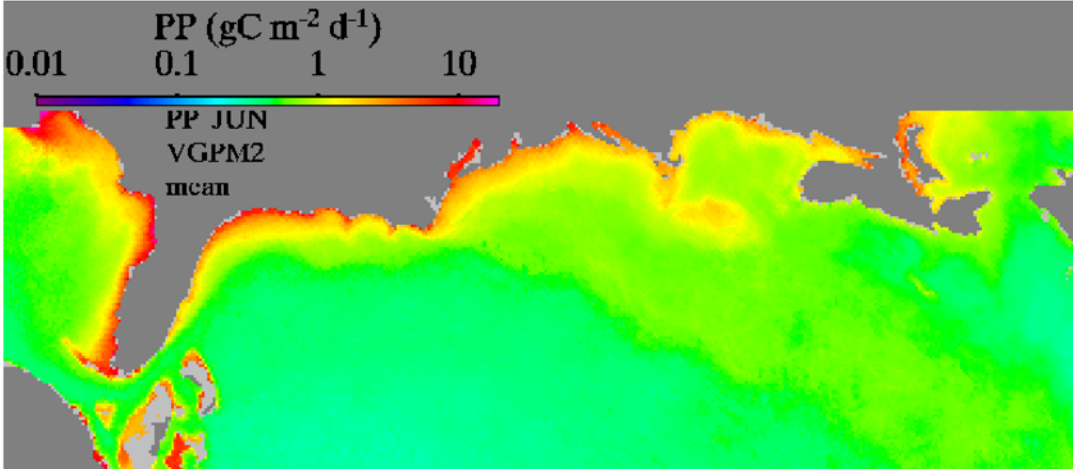


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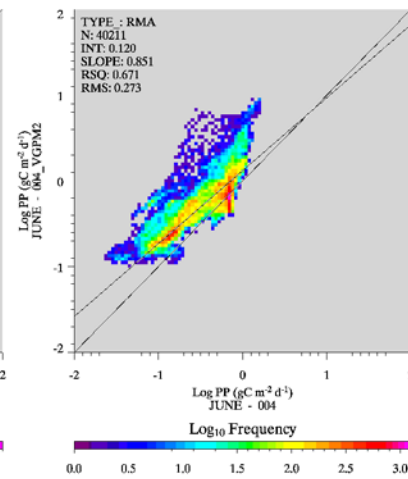
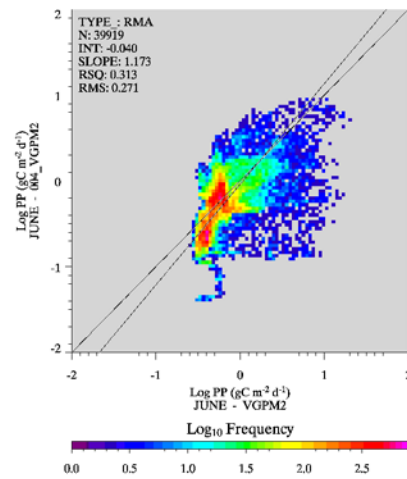
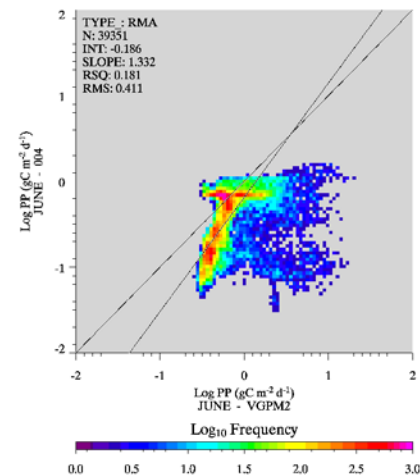


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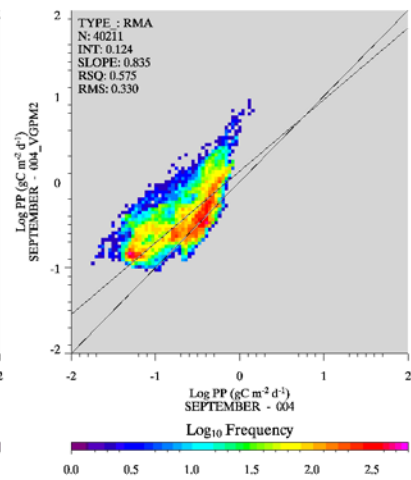
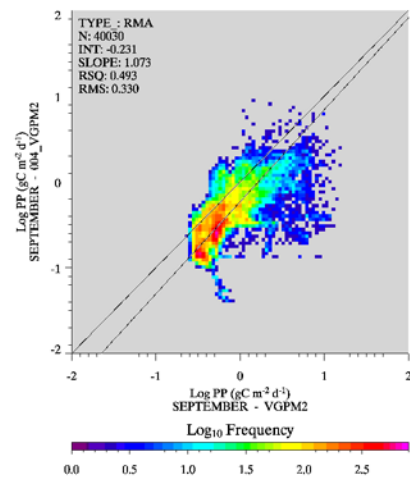
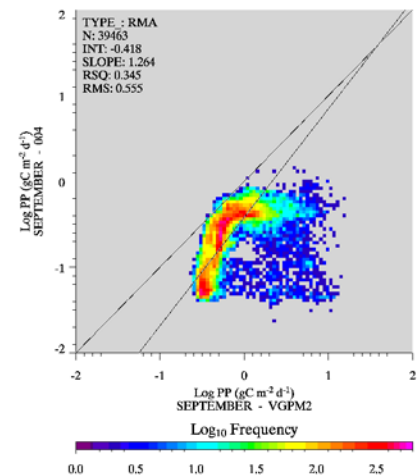
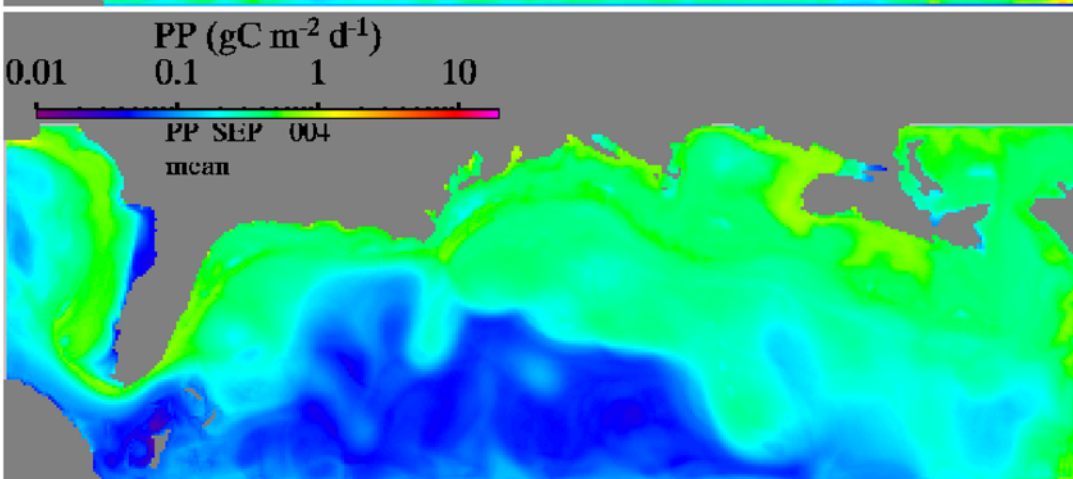
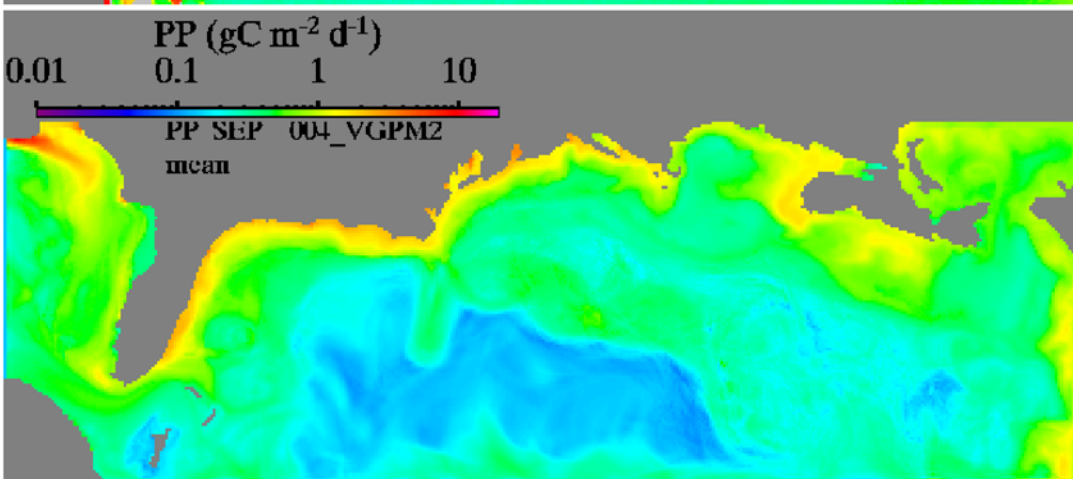
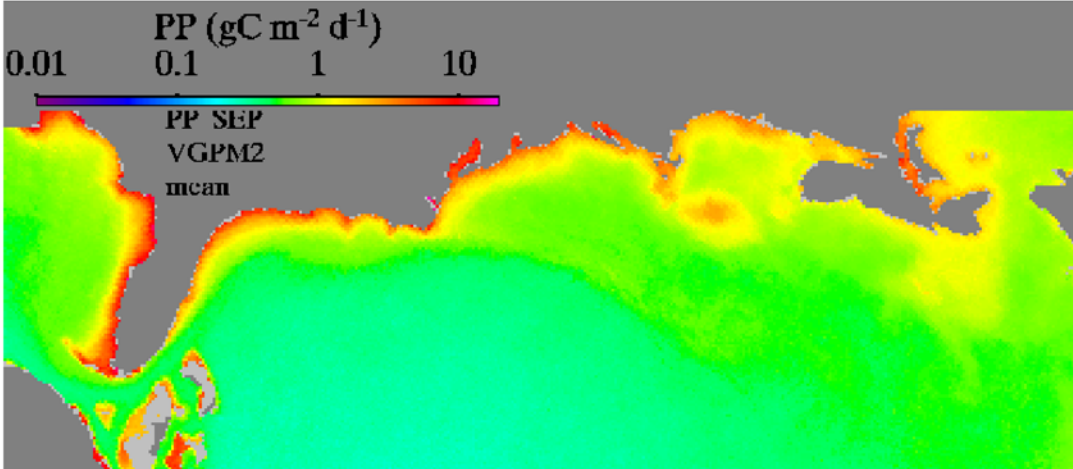




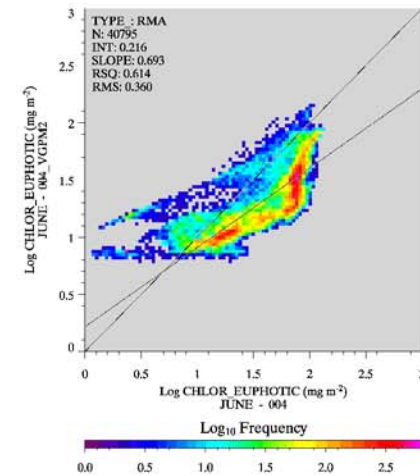
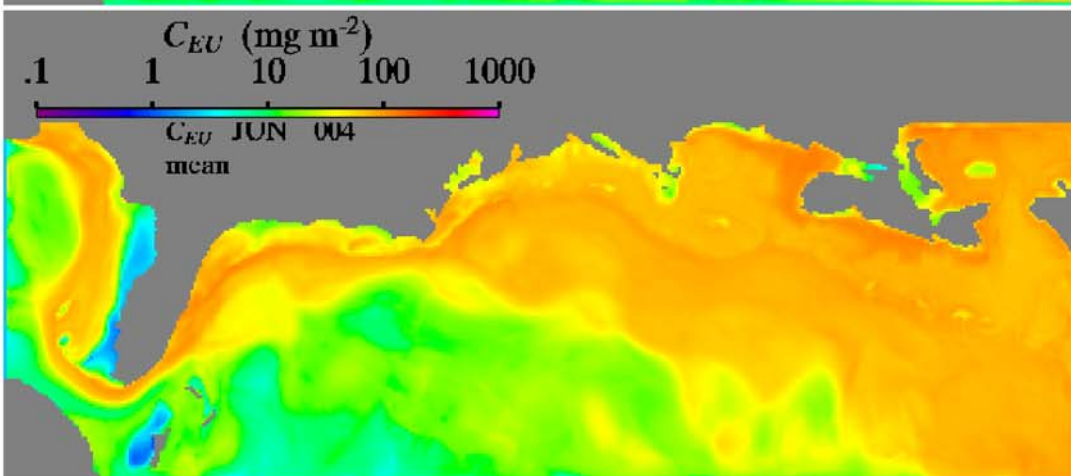
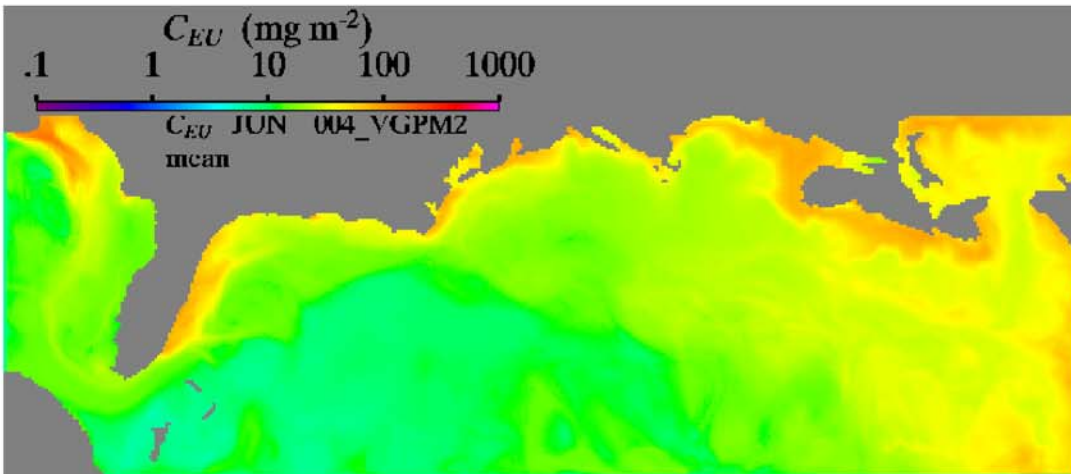
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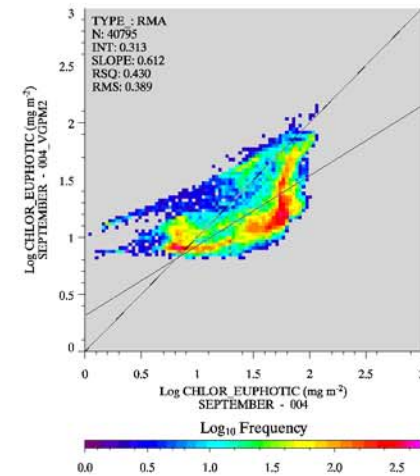
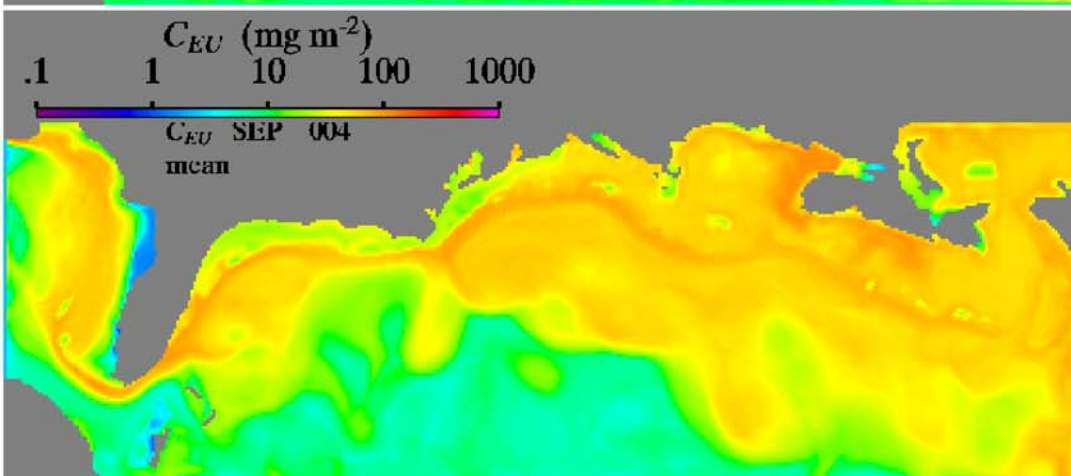
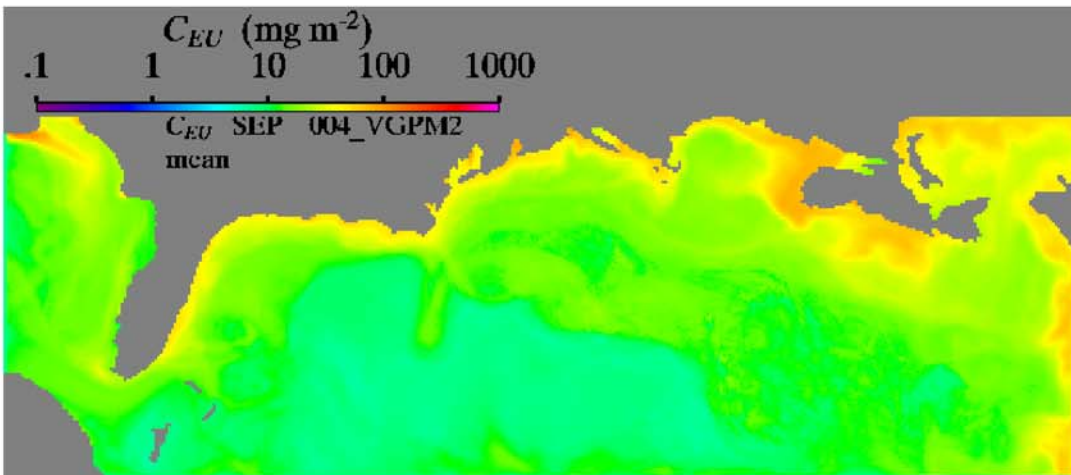
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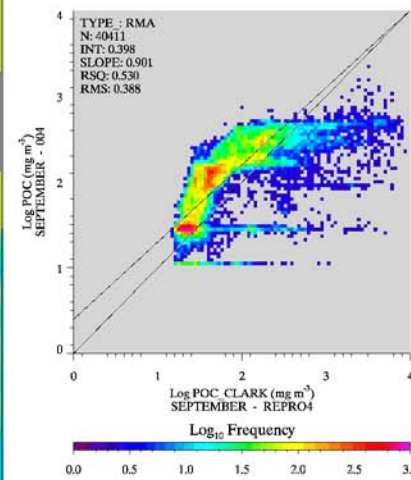
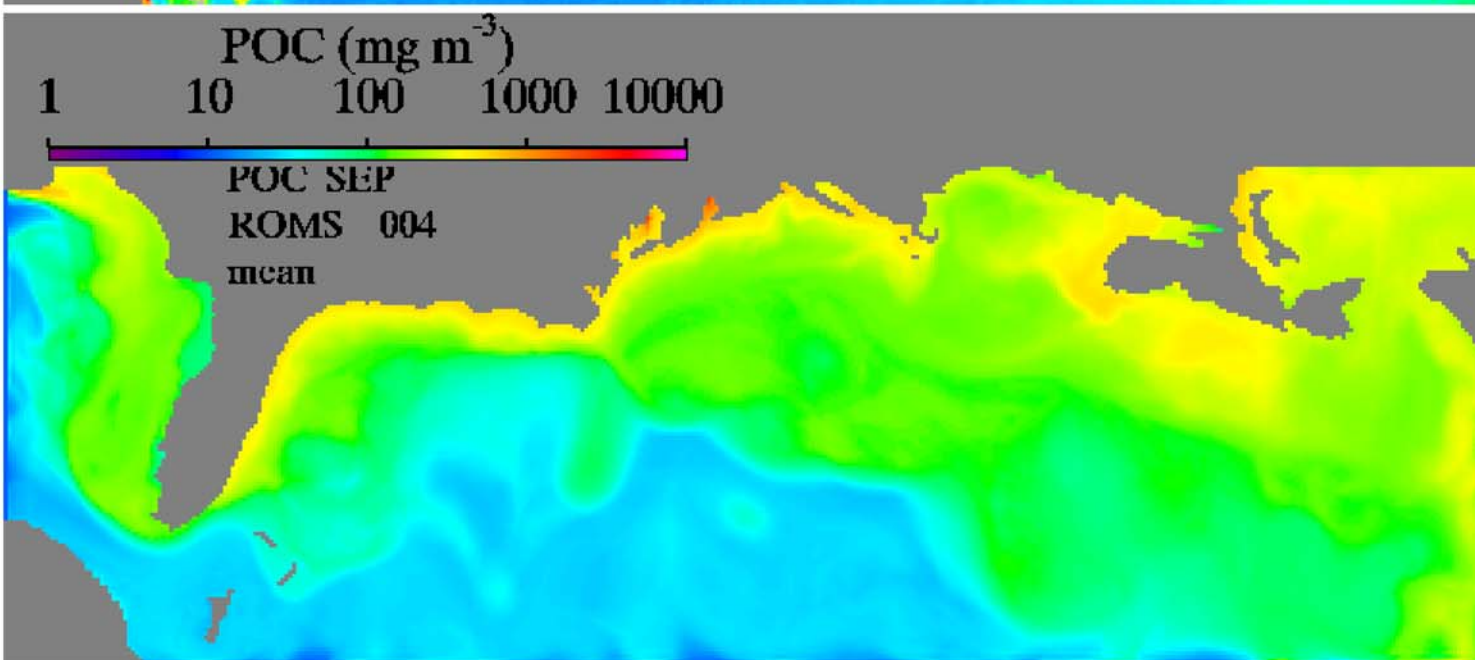
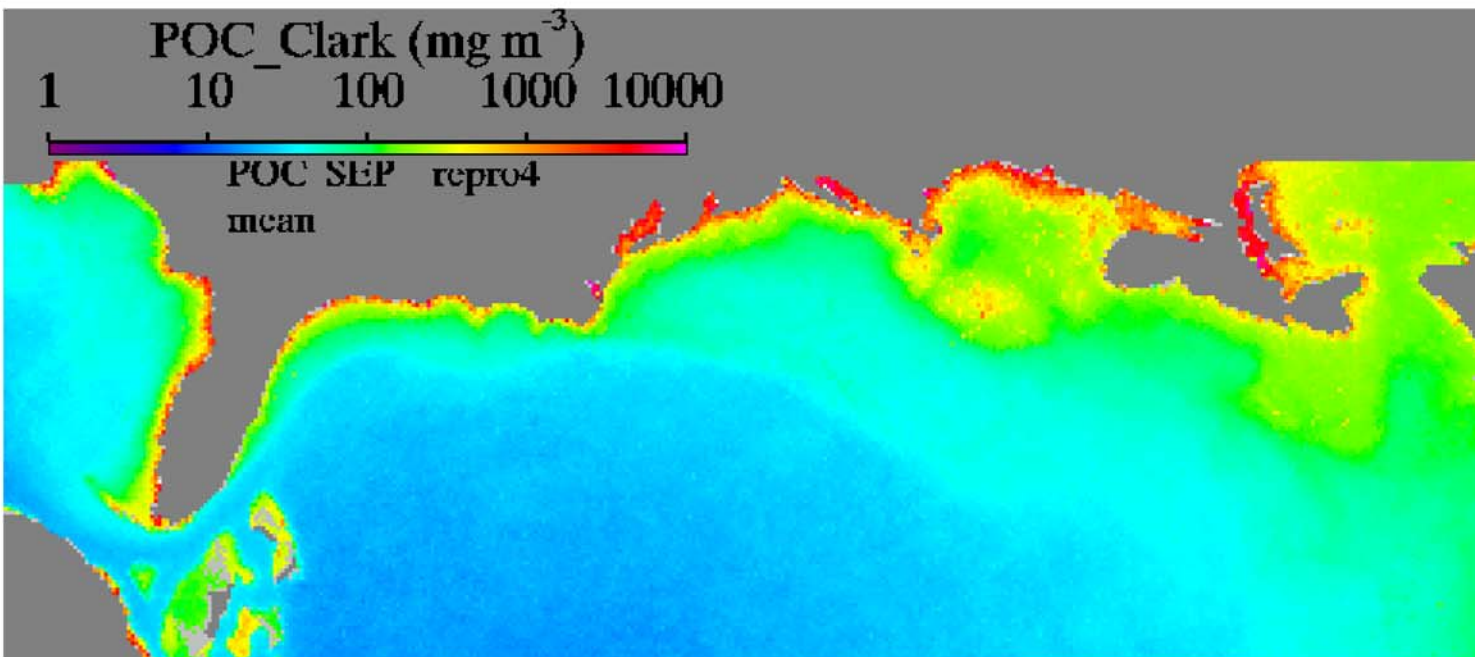
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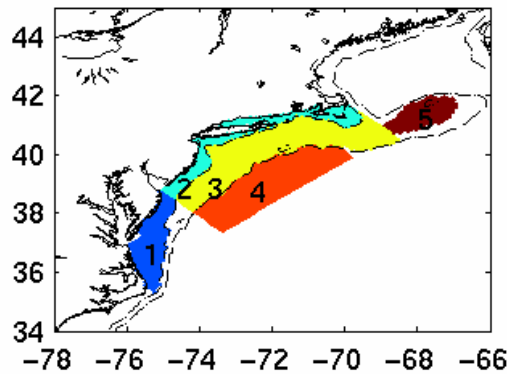


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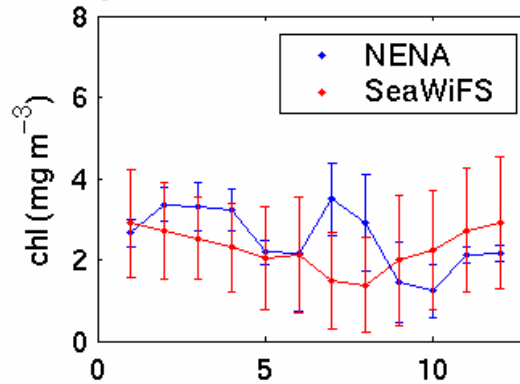


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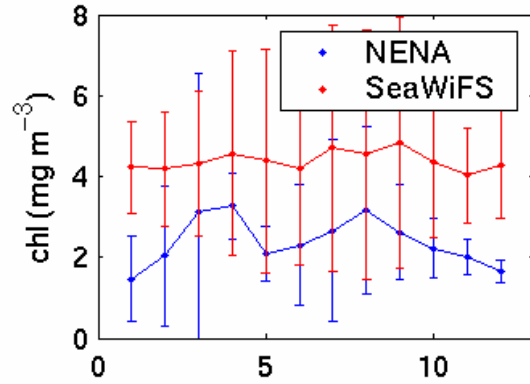




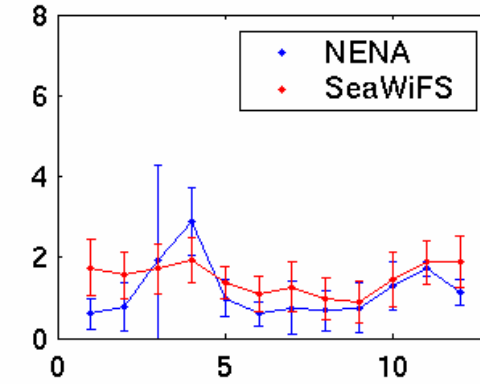
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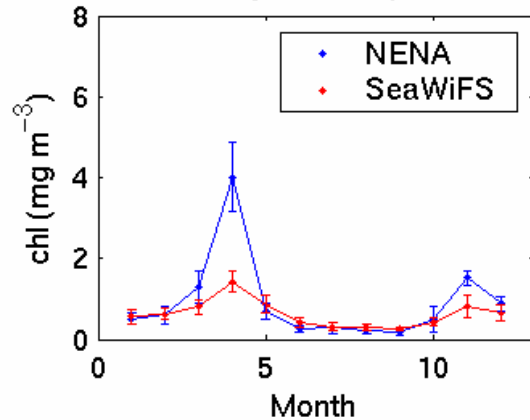
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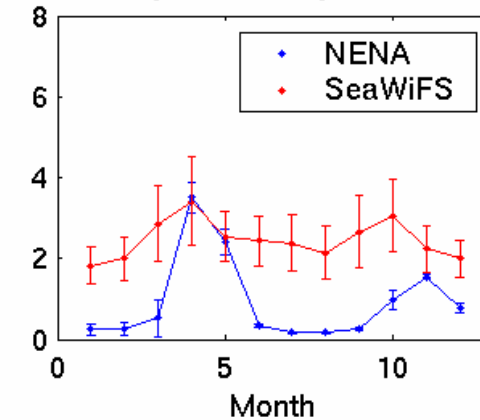
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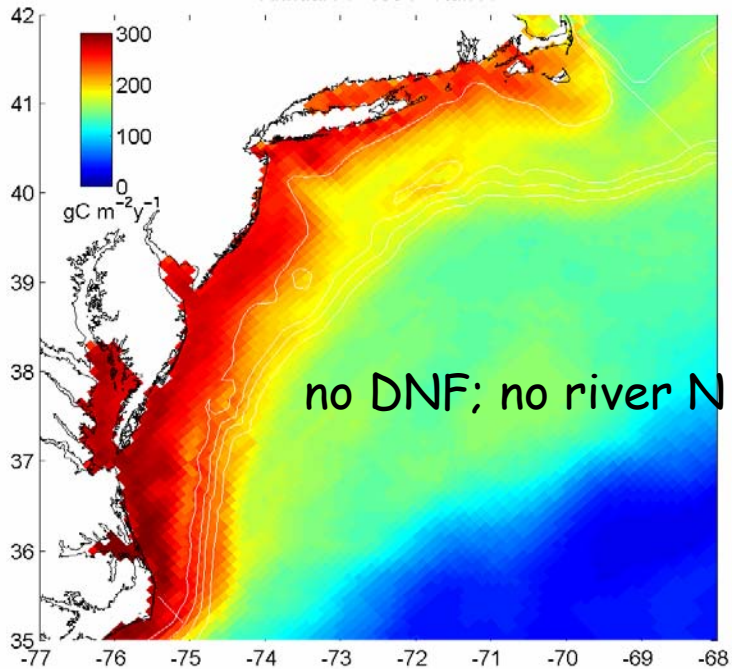
Region 4: Slope



Region 5: Georges Bank

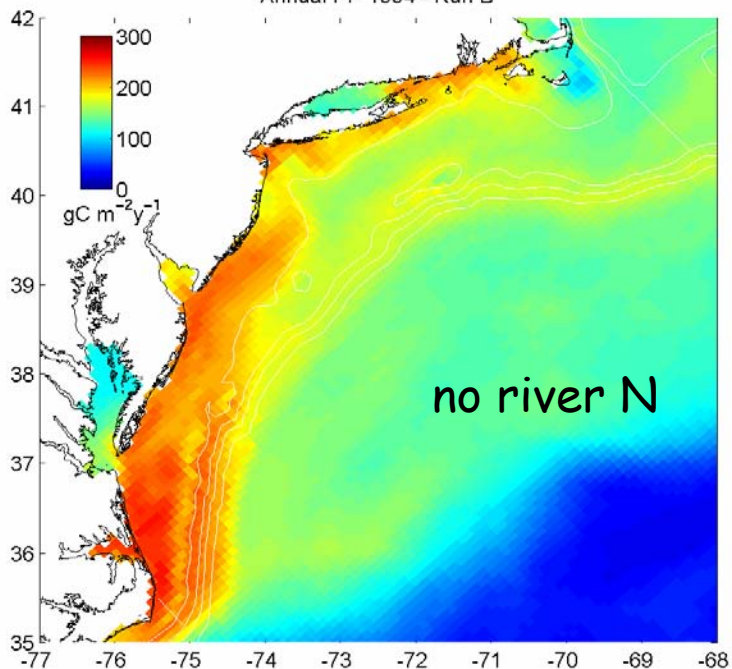


Annual PP 1994 - Run A

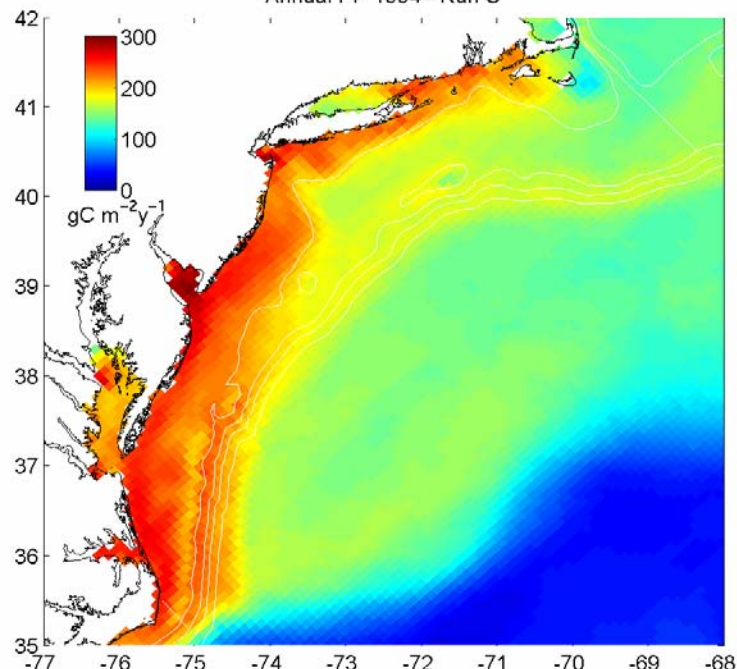


A	227 gC /m2 /y	
B	184 gC /m2 /y	20% reduction from A
C	200 gC /m2 /y	10% increase from B

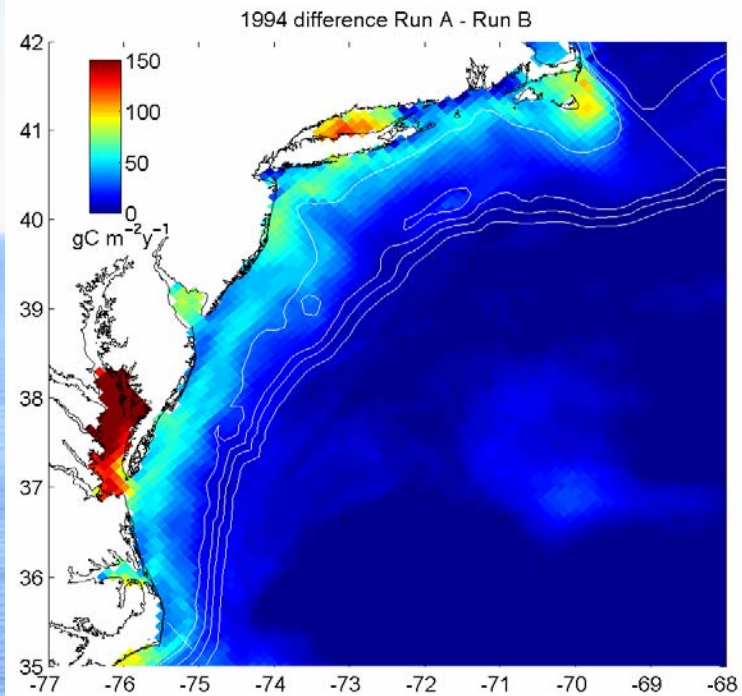
Annual PP 1994 - Run B



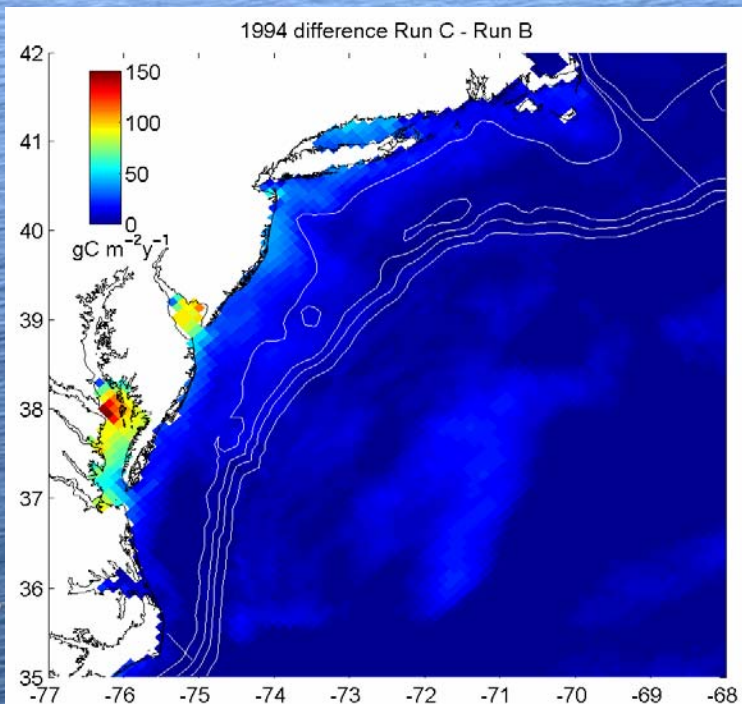
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Primary productivity differences

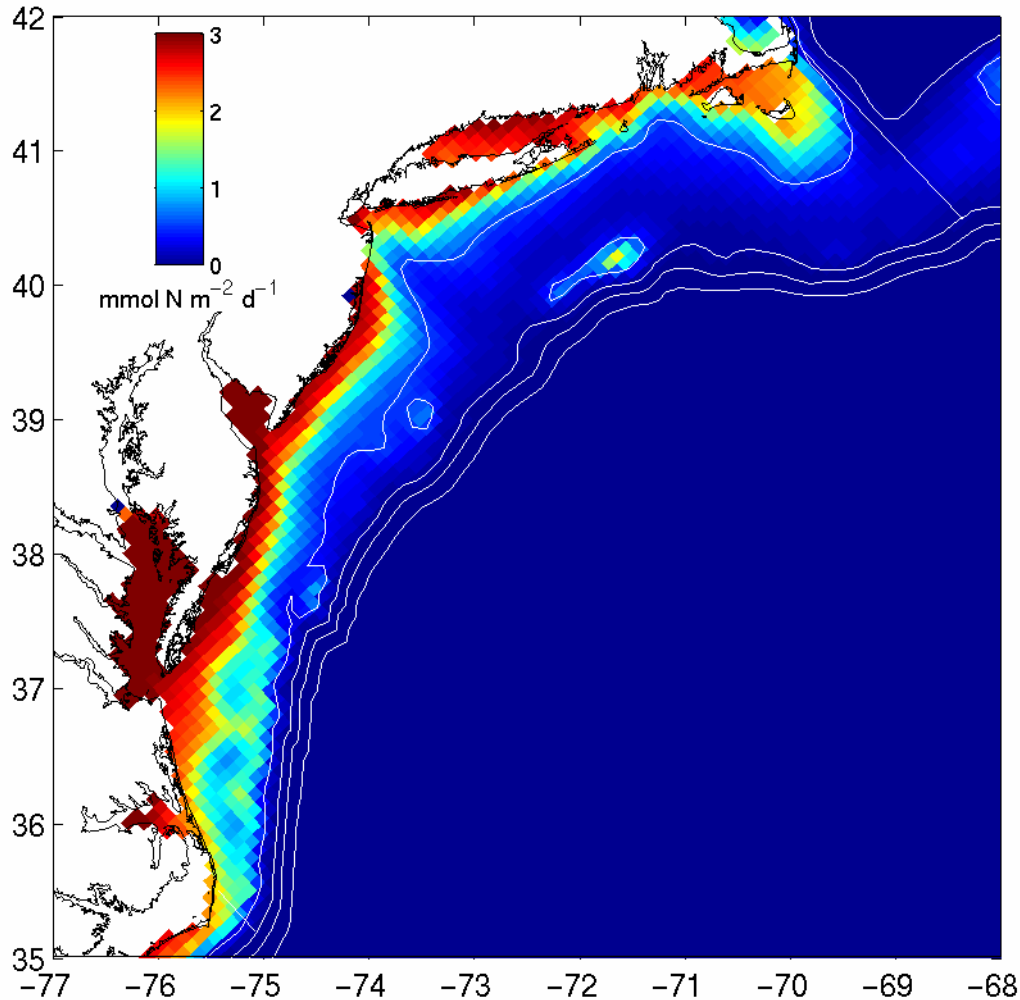


← reduction due to denitrification



← Increase due to riverine inputs

Mean annual denitrification - 1994



Mean annual denitrification
flux in MAB:

1.1 $\text{mmol N /m}^2 \text{/y}$

Observational estimates for
North Atlantic Shelves:

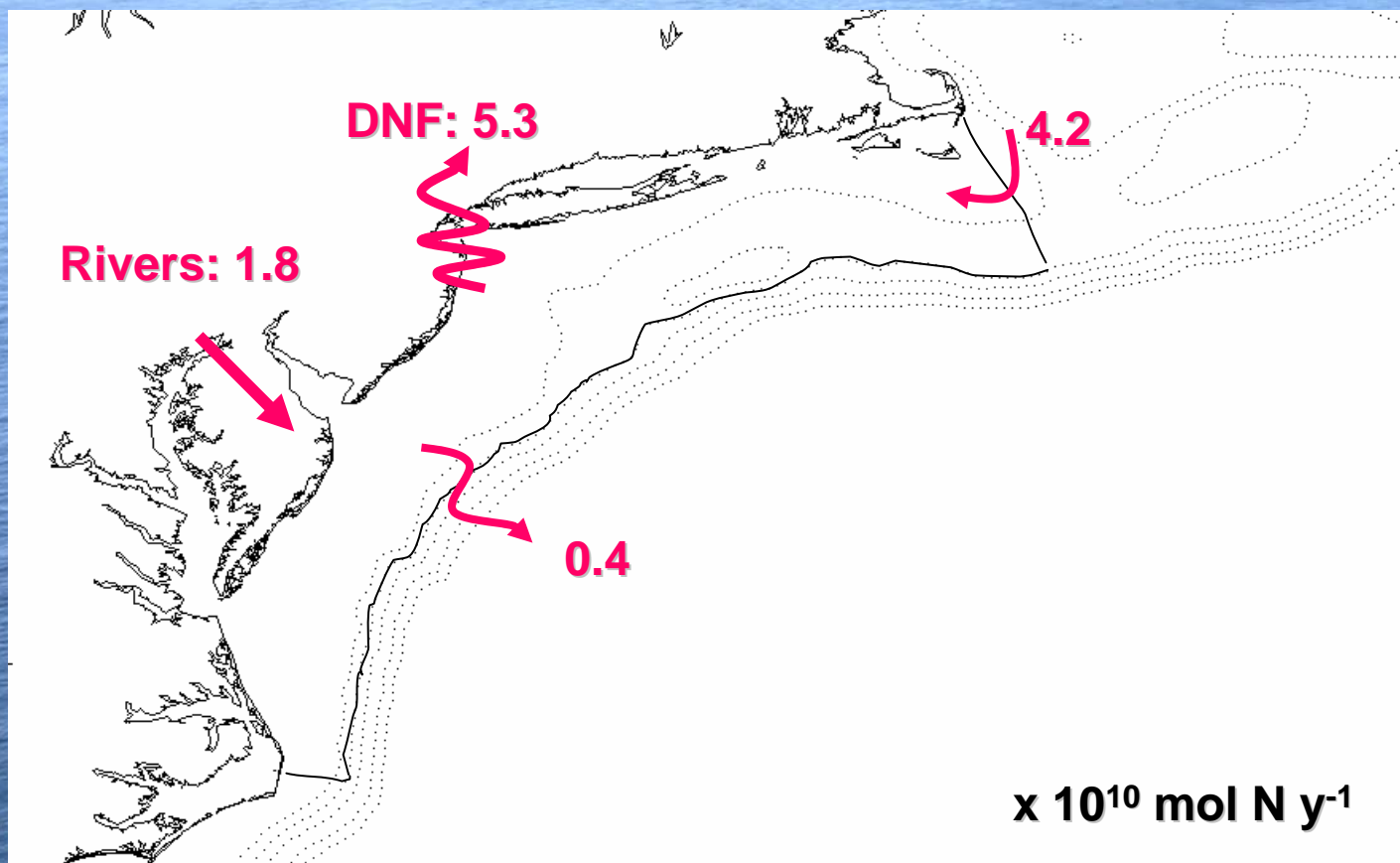
0.7 $\text{mmol N /m}^2 \text{/y}$

Nova Scotia to Cape Hatteras:

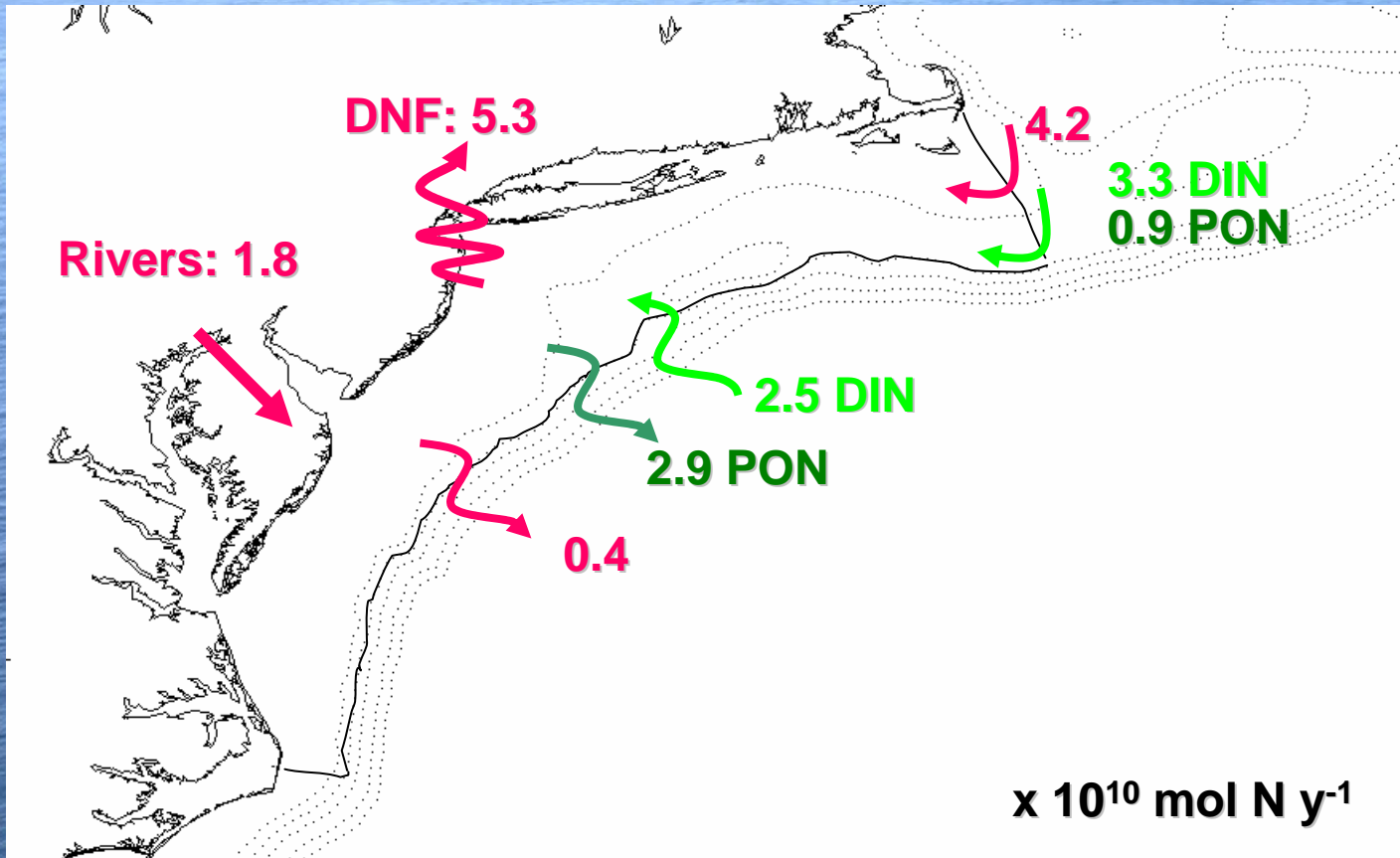
1.4 $\text{mmol N /m}^2 \text{/y}$

(Seitzinger and Giblin 1996)

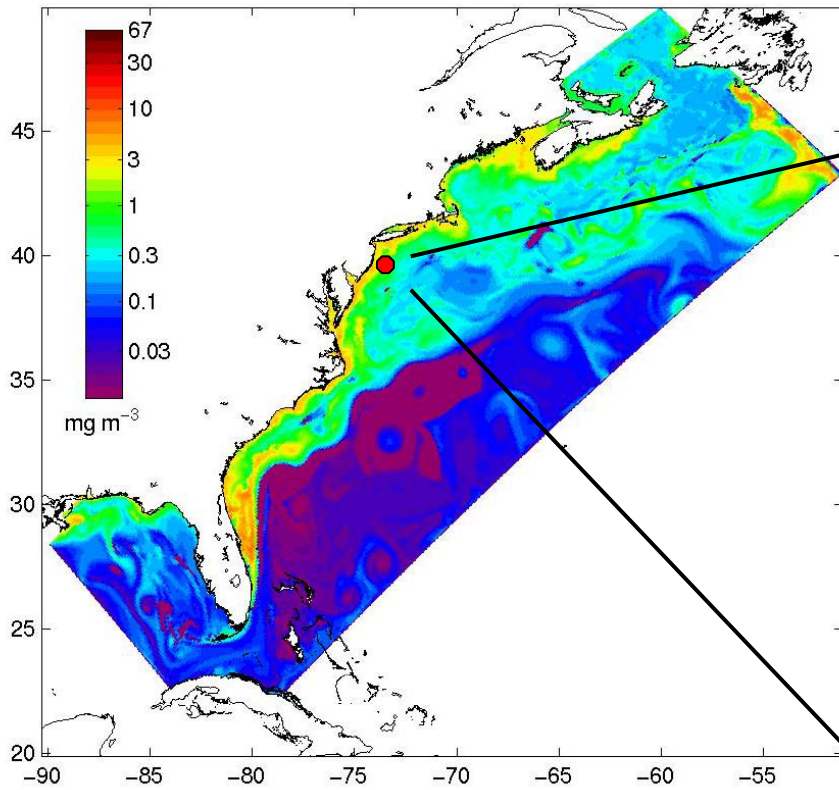
- denitrification removes 60% of all N entering MAB



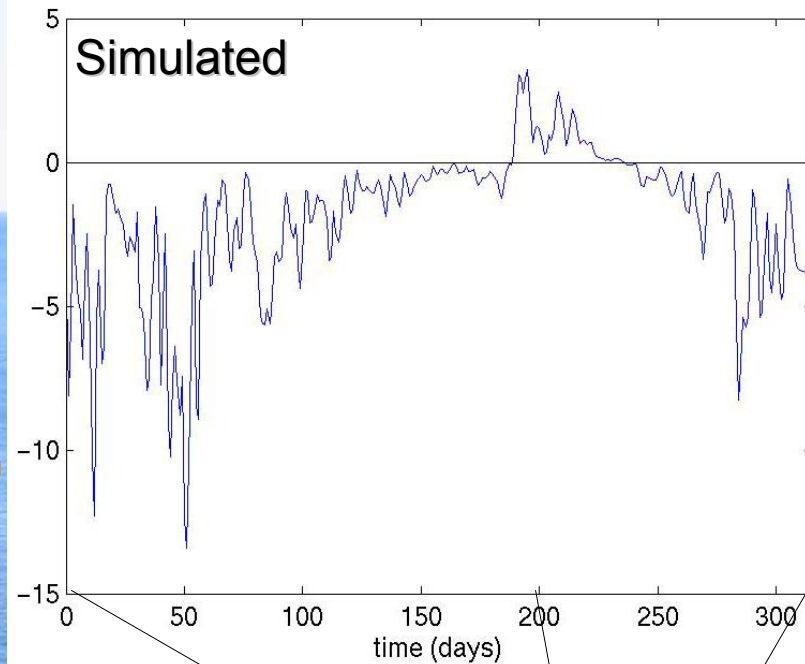
- denitrification removes 60% of all N entering MAB
- remainder exported as PON
- inflow from north is mostly in form of DIN
- cross-isobath export of PON
- cross-isobath import of DIN



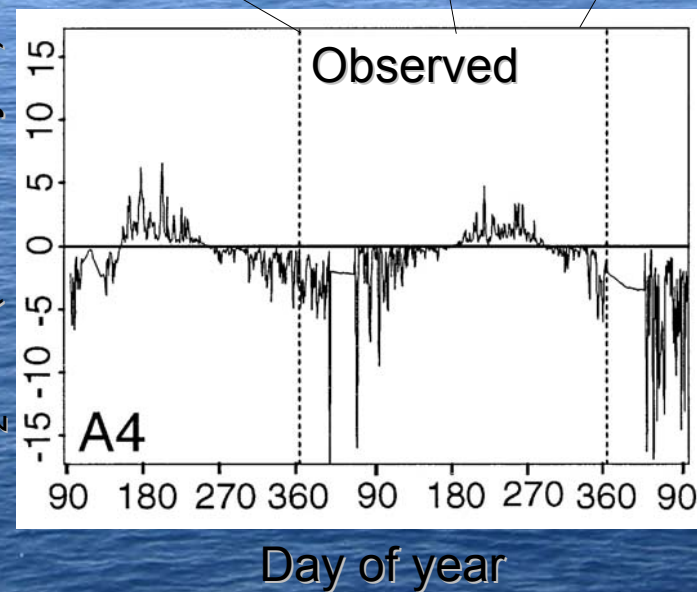
chlorophyll concentration – 30 June 1993



CO₂ flux (mol m⁻² yr⁻¹)



CO₂ flux (mol m⁻² yr⁻¹)



Air-sea CO₂-flux:

- simulated (above and top right)

- observed (bottom right)

Boehme et al., Mar. Chem. 1998

Implications for C-cycle

Assume:

N supply to MAB is matched by C supply in Redfield ratio;
N loss due to denitrification is matched by outgassing of
 CO_2

$$5.3 \times 10^{10} \text{ mol N y}^{-1} \sim 4.2 \times 10^{12} \text{ gC y}^{-1}$$

Extrapolated to North Atlantic shelf area:

$$0.18 \text{ PgC y}^{-1}$$

30% of the North Atlantic C uptake

$$-0.6 \text{ PgC y}^{-1} \quad (\text{Takahashi et al. 2002})$$

Summary

- **Nested bio-physical model within large scale circulation model (boundary artifacts?)**
- **Spatial variability in simulated surface chlorophyll agrees well with SeaWiFS, although some features are missing (e.g. Georges Bank)**
- **Tool for quantitative understanding of shelf processes and their role in biogeochemical cycling**
- **Denitrification removes more than half the nitrogen entering the MAB (much more than river inputs)**
- **Extrapolation to the NA basin suggests this sink offsets 30-60% of N₂-fixation**
- **Implications for carbon cycling**



