Regional state estimation activities at Scripps Institution of Oceanography

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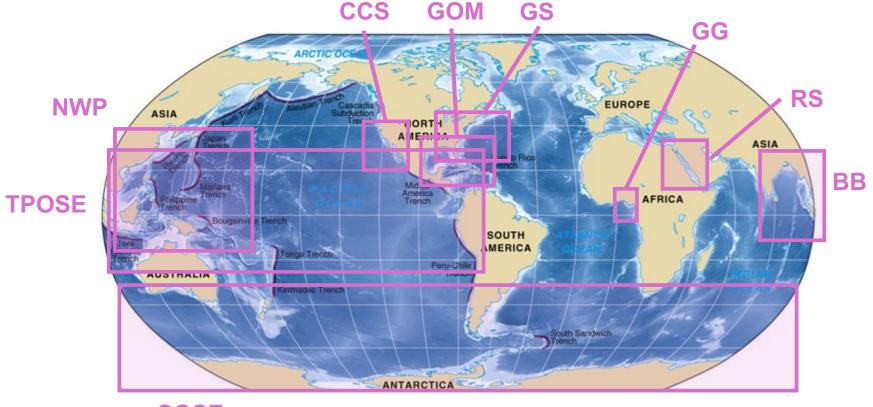
- High spatial resolution
- Open boundary conditions
- Short-to-long assimilation window
- Local constraints (targeted assimilation)
- Efficient development configurations
- Some with biogeochemistry
- (mostly) not on the ECCO website

SIO also provides:

- Profiles data processing for ECCO
- MITgcm development (BLING bgc package, ObsFit, etc)

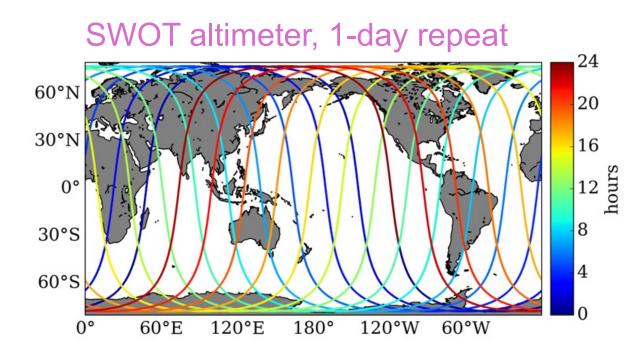
2024 ECCO meeting

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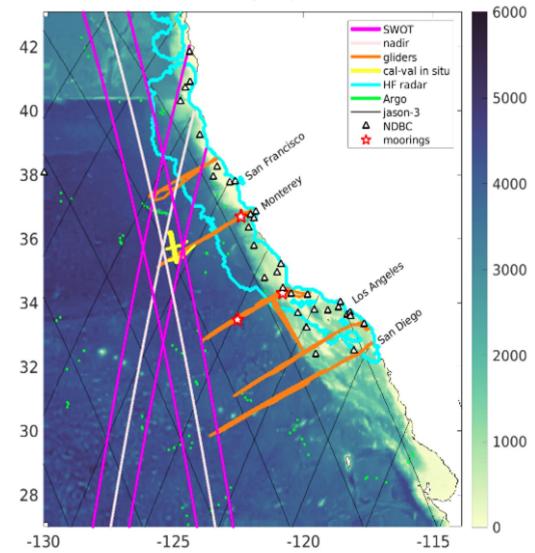
SOSE

California Current System (CCS)



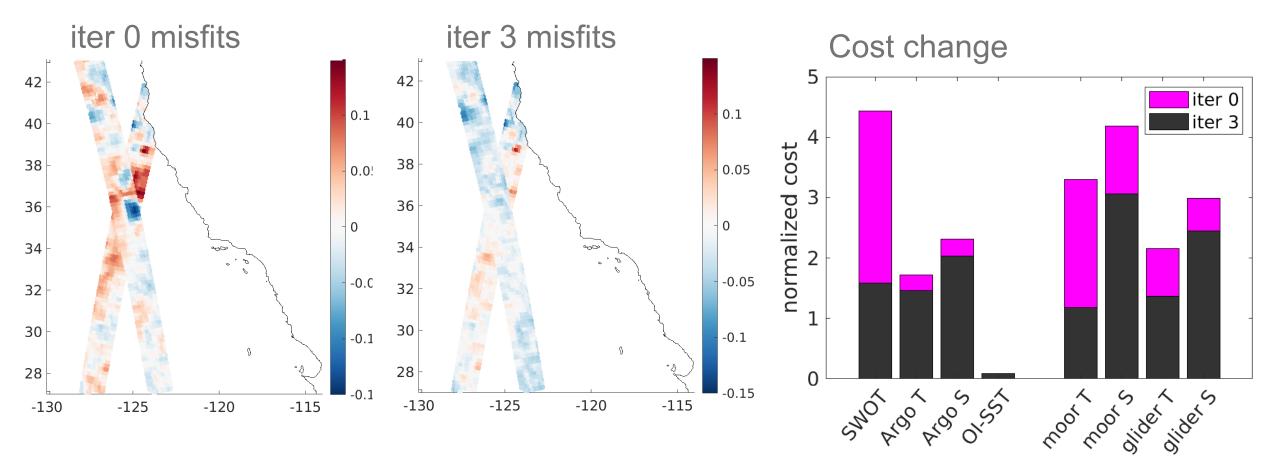
4D-Var assimilation for SWOT: from geostrophic balance to 1-10 km-scale dynamics

Observing system



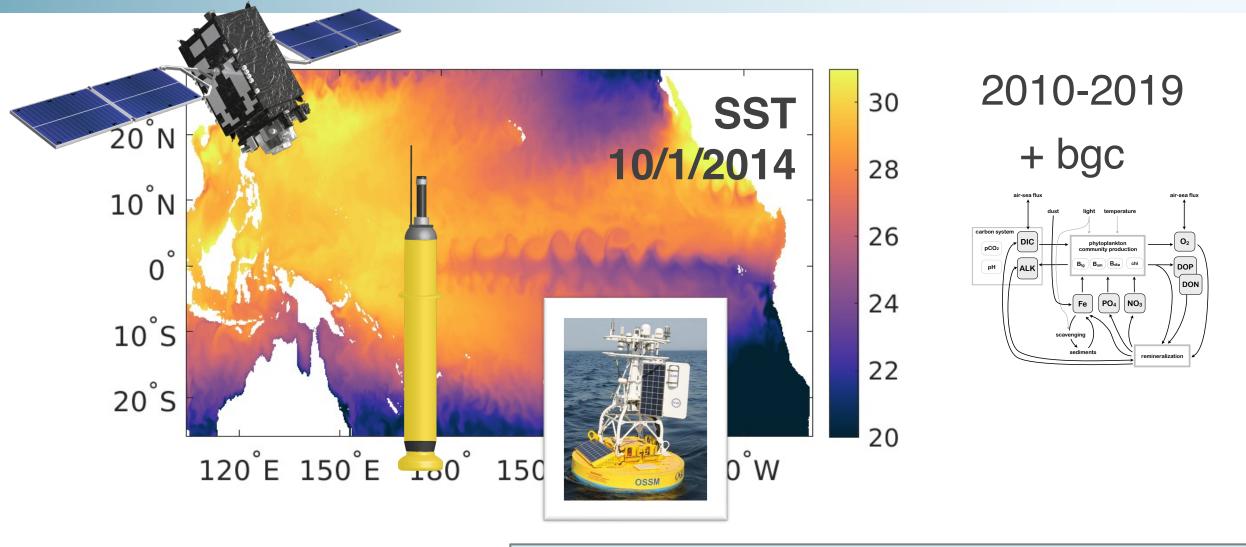
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Proof of concept: 5-day assimilation (May 10-14, 2023)



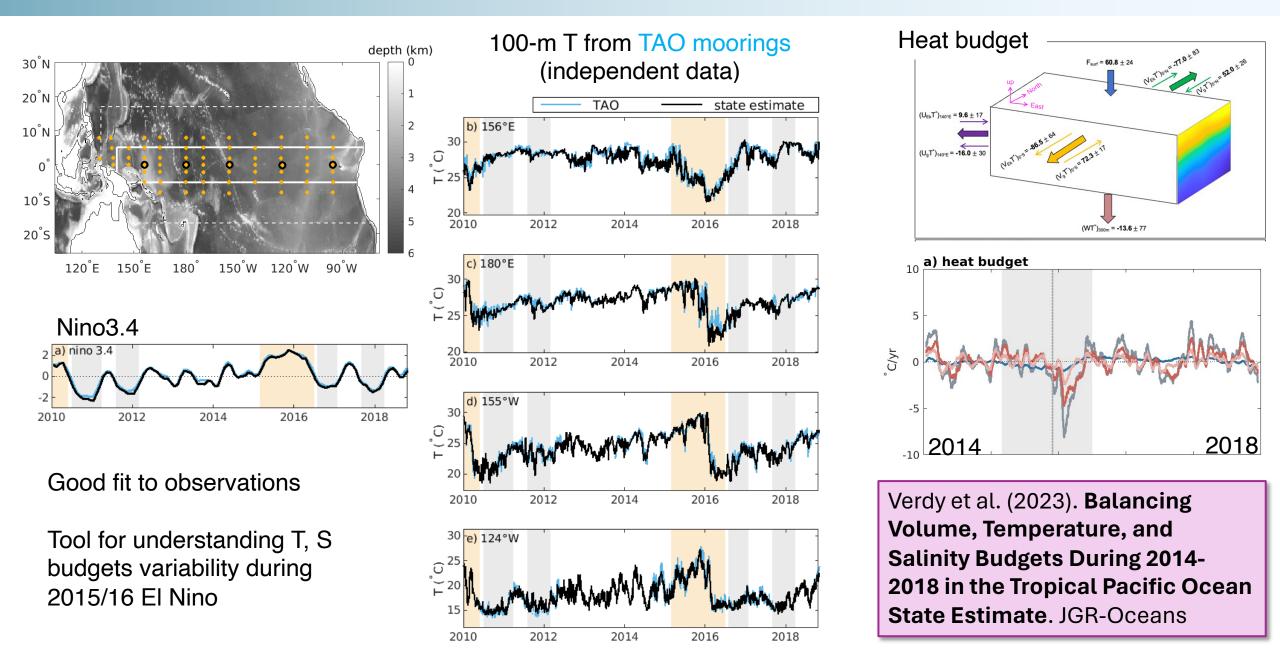
independent cal-val observations

Tropical Pacific Ocean State Estimate (TPOSE)



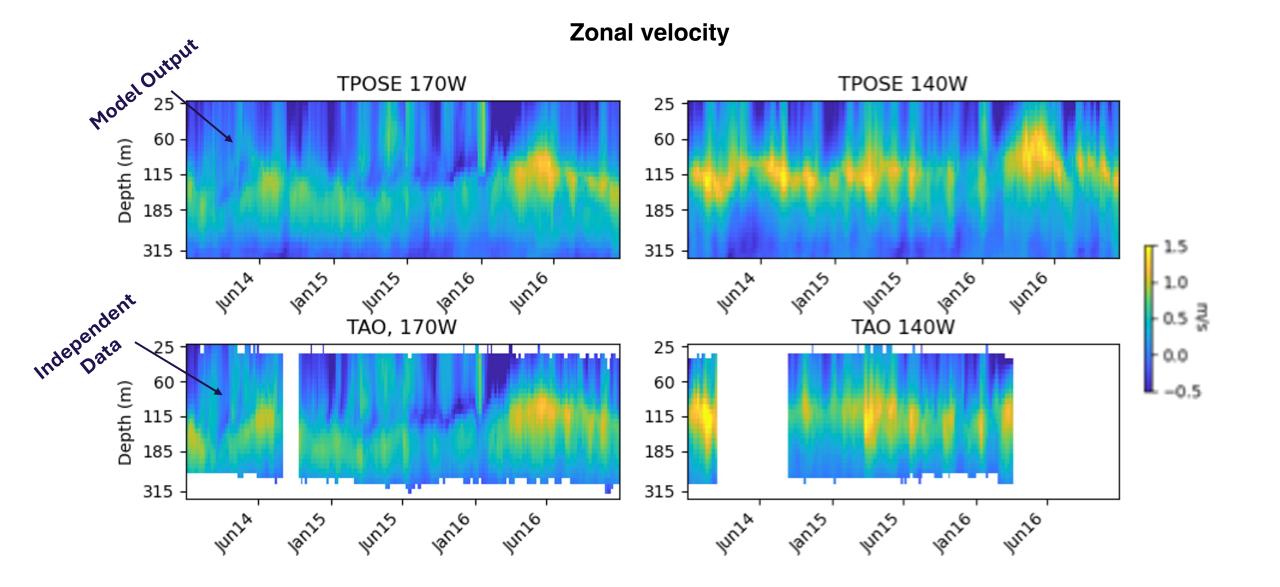
Exploring connections between surface forcing and interior dynamics through mixing

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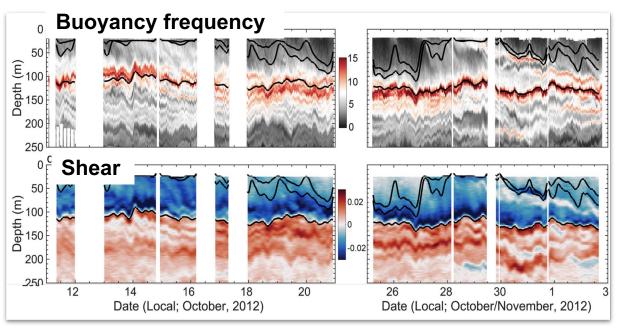
Ellen Davenport, UCSD



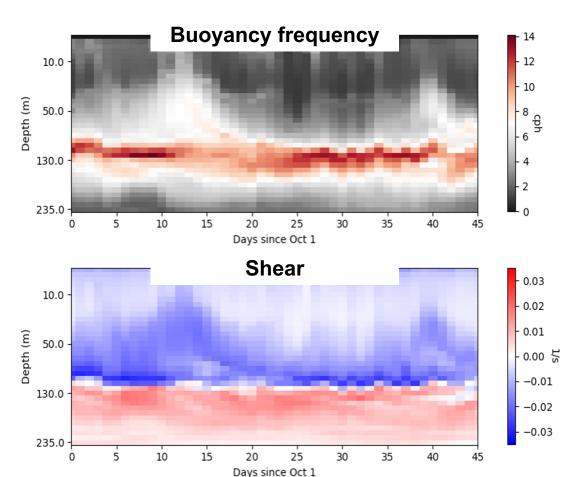
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EquatorMix: 0°N,140°W, October 2012

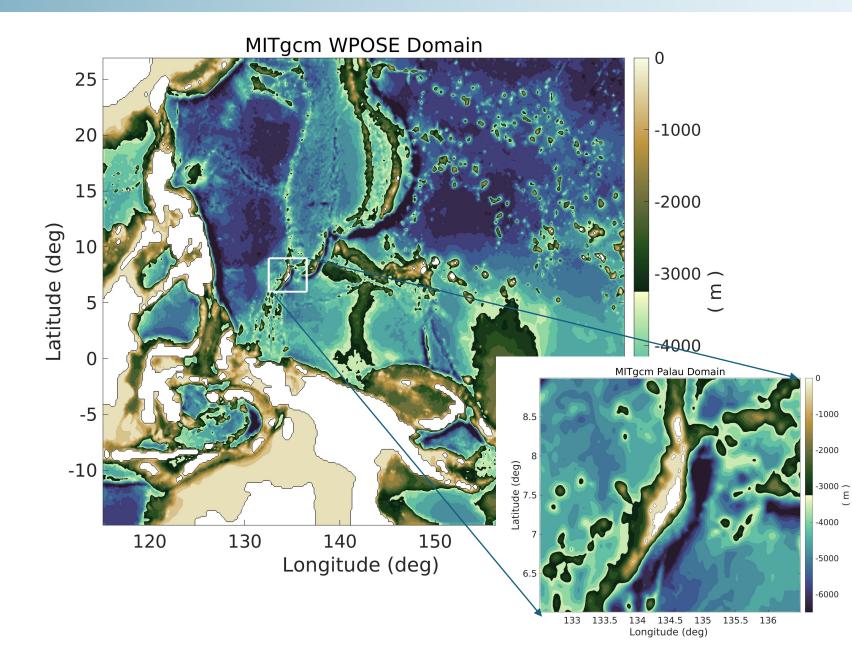


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Pinkel et al. (2023) GRL

Northwest Pacific Ocean State Estimation

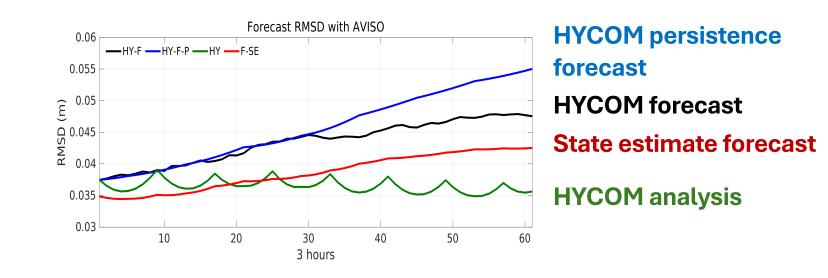


Towards nesting high-resolution models of Palau and Rota Islands

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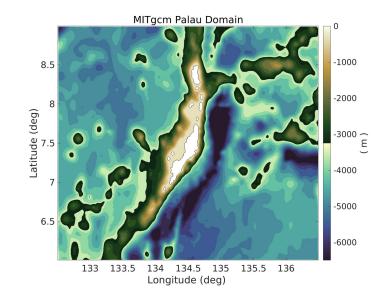
NWP model

Resolution: 1/6°, 50 z-levels Obs: SSH and SST Assimilation window: 7 days



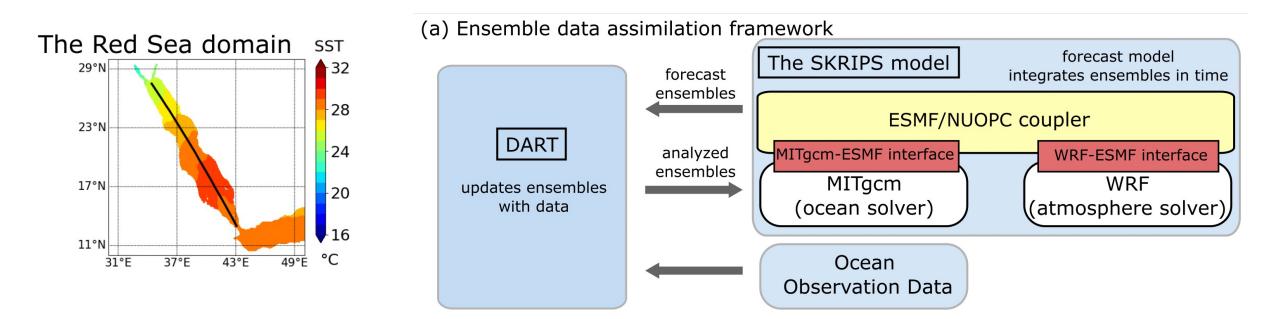
Palau model

Resolution: 1/96^o (~1 km), 50 z-levels Obs: HFR, moorings, wave gliders Assimilation window: 7 – 14 days



Understand windcurrent response around islands

Red Sea Coupled MITgcm-WRF



Evaluating the impact of ocean data assimilation on seasonal to sub-seasonal forecasts

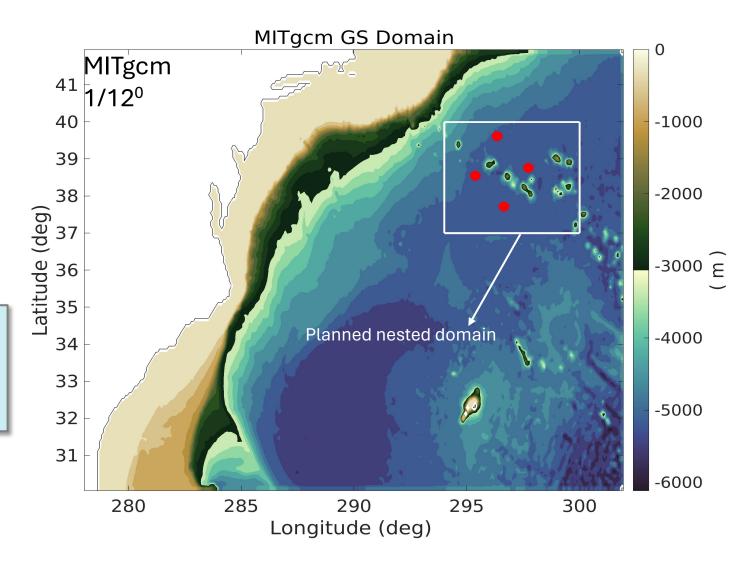
Sun et al. (2024). Enhanced Regional Ocean Ensemble Data Assimilation Through Atmospheric Coupling in the SKRIPS Model. Submitted to Ocean Modelling

Gulf Stream State Estimation and Prediction

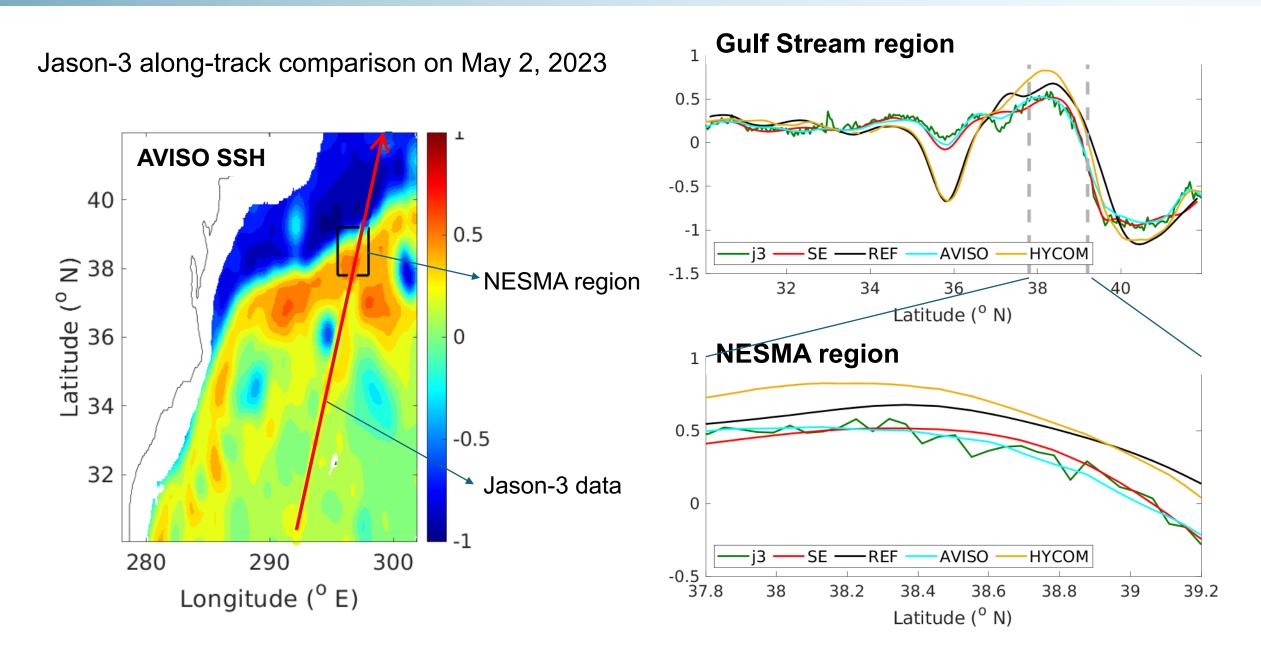
New England Seamounts Experiment

(NESMA): understand sound propagation in the ocean. How does the Gulf Stream interact with a series of seamounts? Implications for how ocean transports heat and dissipates its energy.

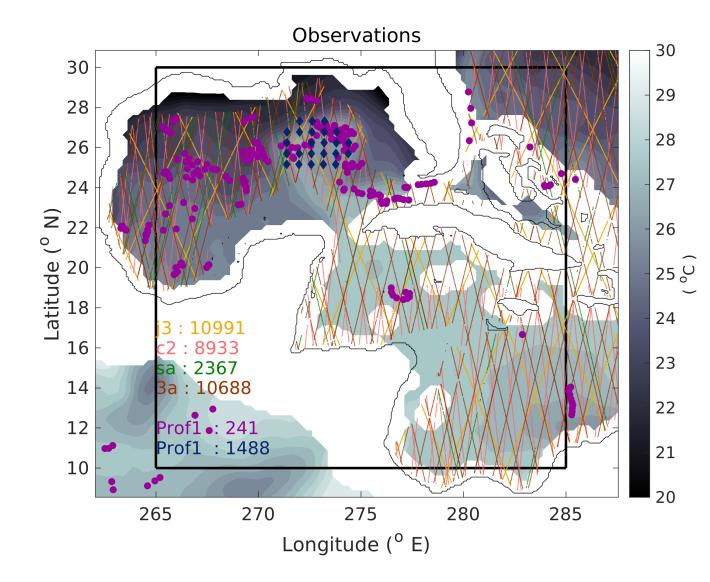
Assimilating acoustic data to improve physical state estimation in strong eddy field



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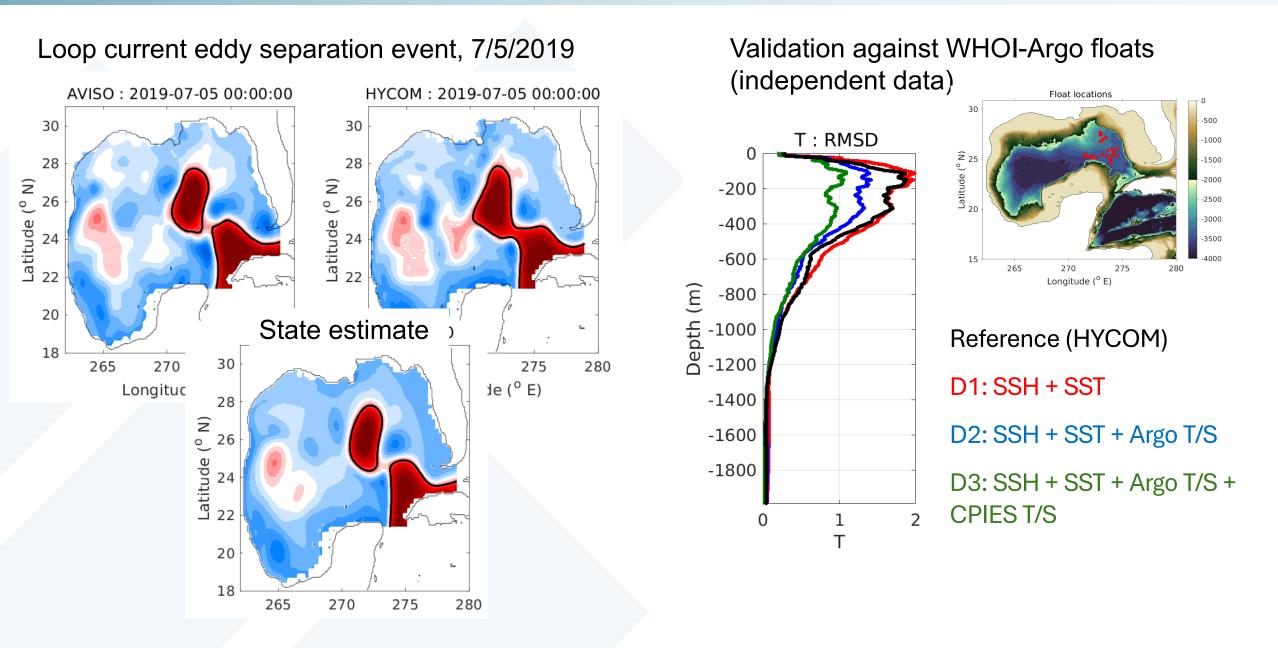
Gulf of Mexico State Estimation and Prediction



Observing system design for loop current analysis and prediction

- SSH along-track anomalies
- Gridded OI-SST
- Argo program T/S profiles
- CPIES T/S profiles

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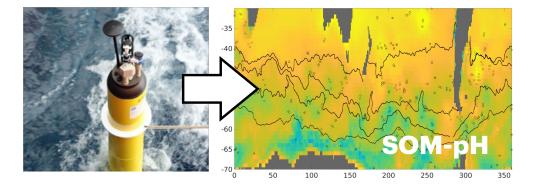


BGC-Southern Ocean State Estimate (B-SOSE)

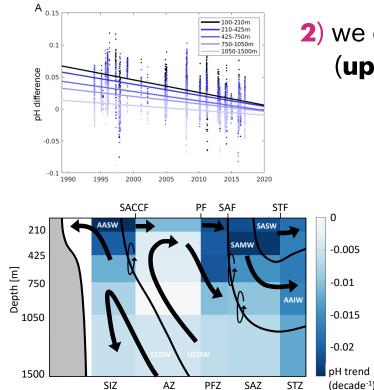


Detecting ocean acidification trends by comparing pH observations to a bias-corrected B-SOSE climatology

BGC-Southern Ocean State Estimate (B-SOSE)



we make a bias-corrected pH climatology
[available at http://sose.ucsd.edu/]
by removing the objectively mapped misfits
between B-SOSE and bcg-Argo float data



 2) we compare that pH climatology to ship data to detect trends (up to -0.02 per decade) in 5 frontal zones and 5 depths

> 3) we can explain the trends in the context of the meridional overturning circulation. Deep upwelling waters have the smallest trends (light blue); waters exposed to the atmosphere have the largest (dark blue).

Mazloff et al. (2023). Southern Ocean Acidification Revealed by Biogeochemical-Argo floats. JGR-Oceans Output available:

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We are always looking for more ways to engage with the ECCO community!

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