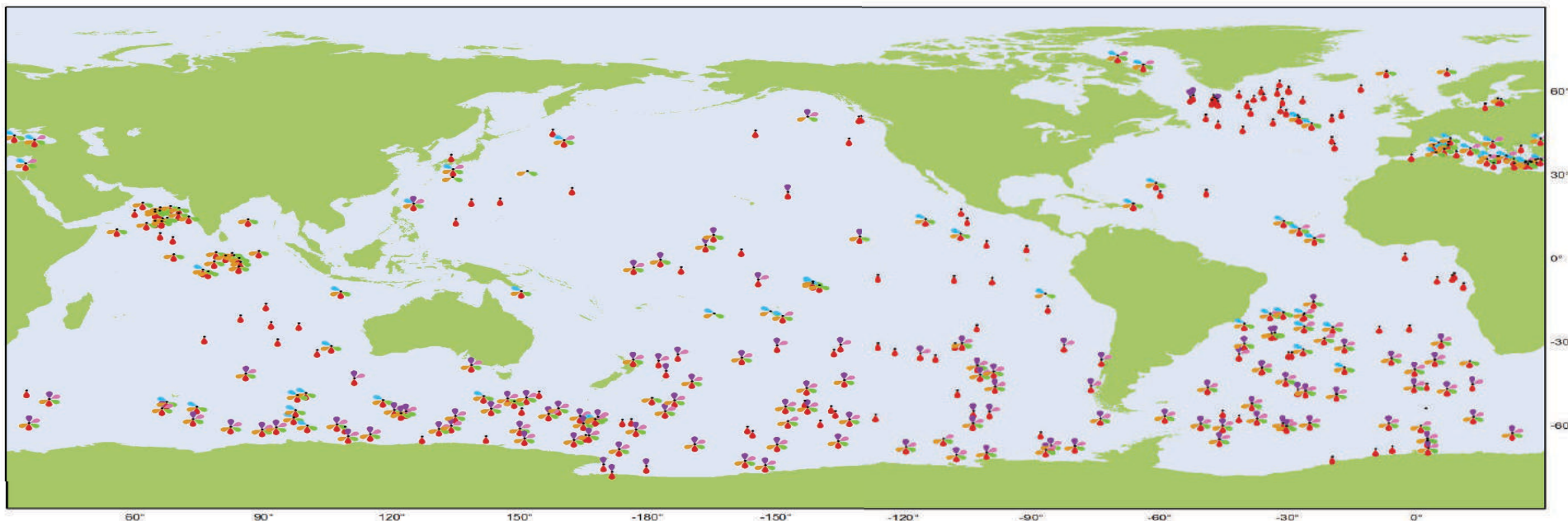


# Community update: Biogeochemical-Argo

ECCO summer school, May 2019

Matt Mazloff (SIO), Ken Johnson (MBARI)



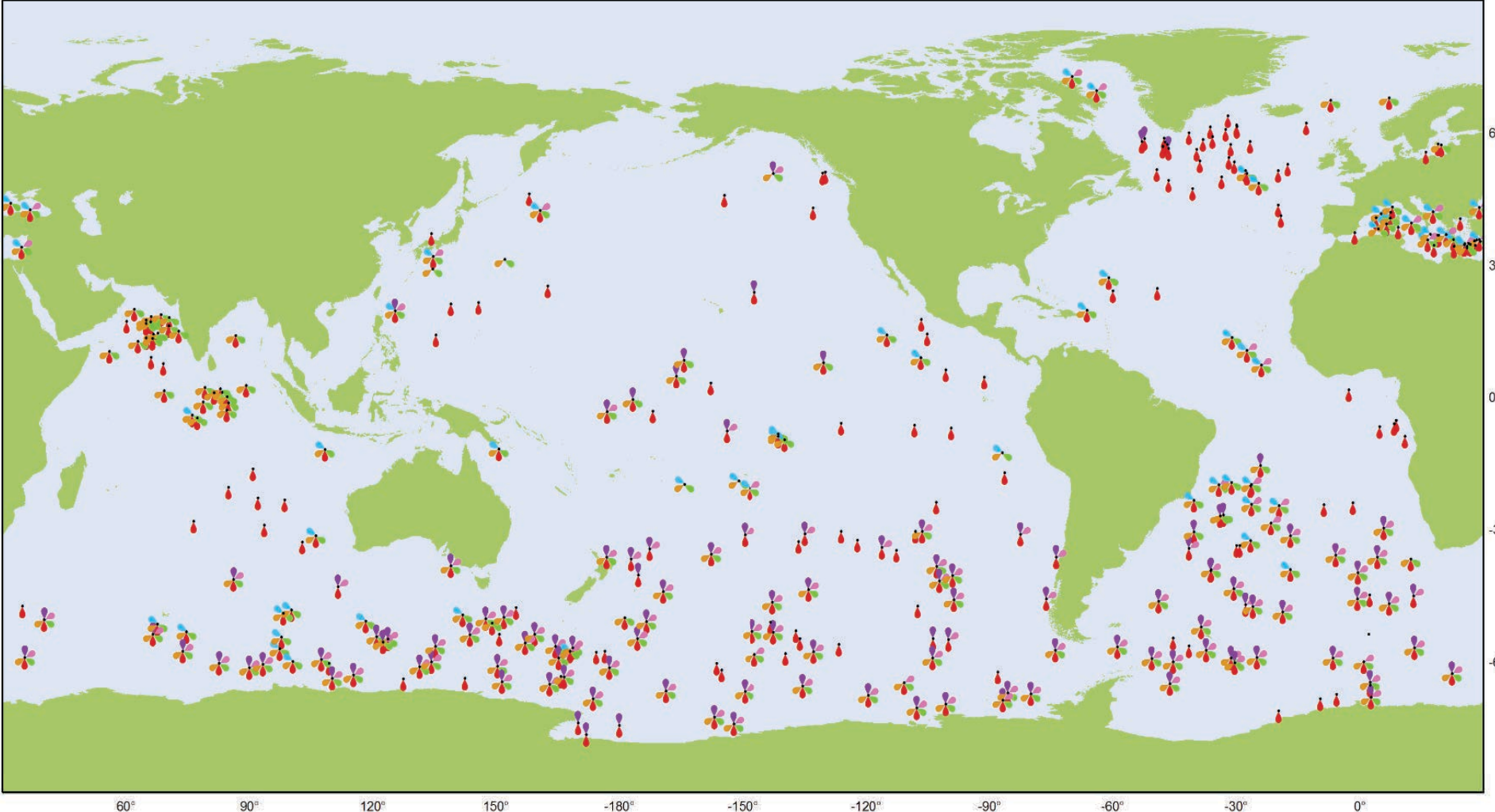
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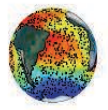
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# What is a BGC-Argo float?

## Mature sensor suite

- biooptical sensors: chlorophyll fluorescence, backscatter, light intensity.
- chemical species: dissolved oxygen, nitrate, and pH.

**Protocols have been established based on peer-reviewed publications and international working groups.**

Sensor	Oxygen	Nitrate	pH
Initial accuracy	2 $\mu\text{mol/kg}$	1 $\mu\text{mol/kg}$	0.01

**New sensors** must be accompanied by quality calibration and validation procedures until demonstrated that specifications are achieved with the "factory calibration". Must also be means available to assess the changing performance of sensor over time.

<https://soccom.princeton.edu/content/float-specifications>  
For what is a SOCCOM float and sensor references





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## Data management

- real-time data delivery for operational purpose
- delayed-mode quality-controlled data delivery for science
- new products complying with end-user requirements

## Critical Ocean Processes for climate variability, ecosystem health, management marine resources, carbon budgets

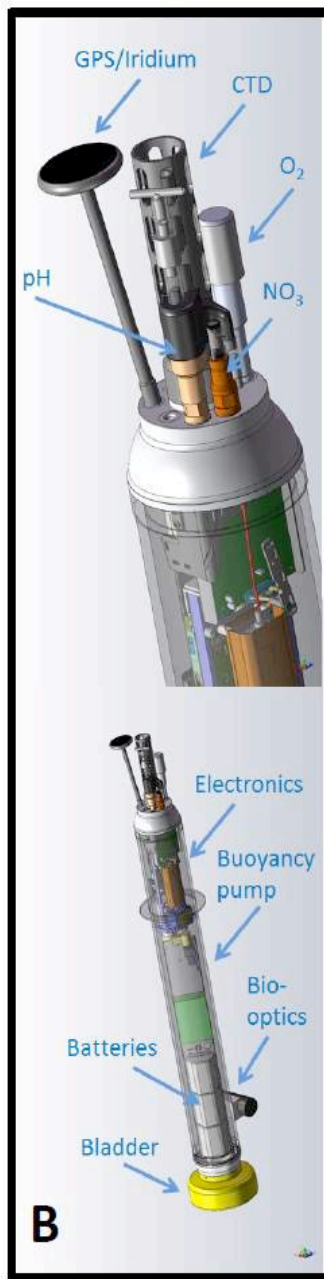
- ocean carbon uptake
- ocean deoxygenation, oxygen minimum zones and related cycles of denitrification
- ocean acidification
- the biological carbon pump
- phytoplankton communities.





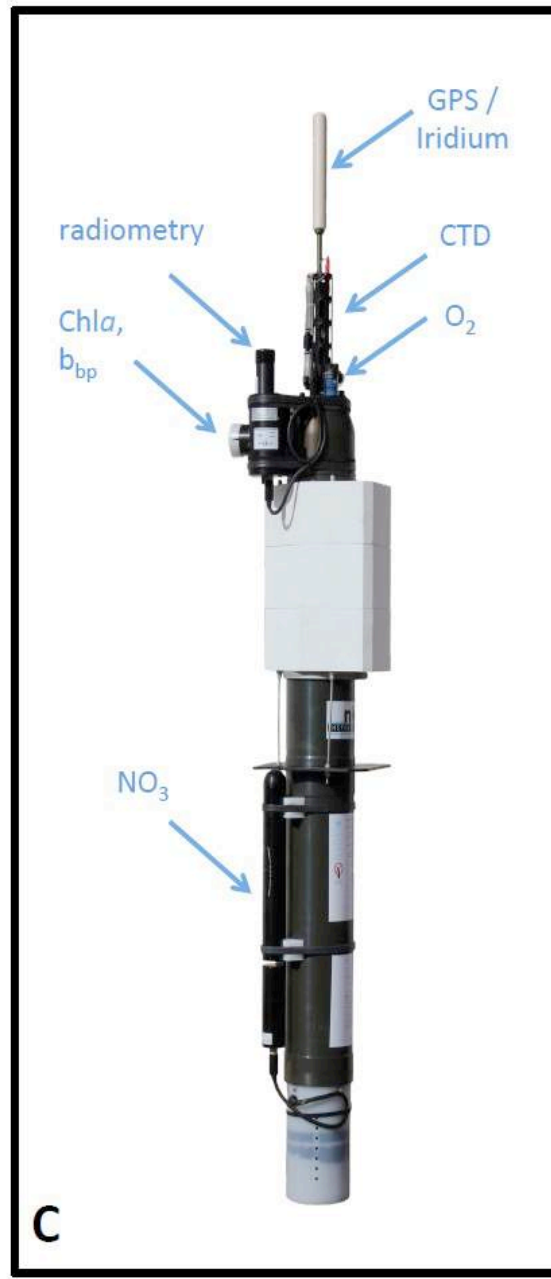
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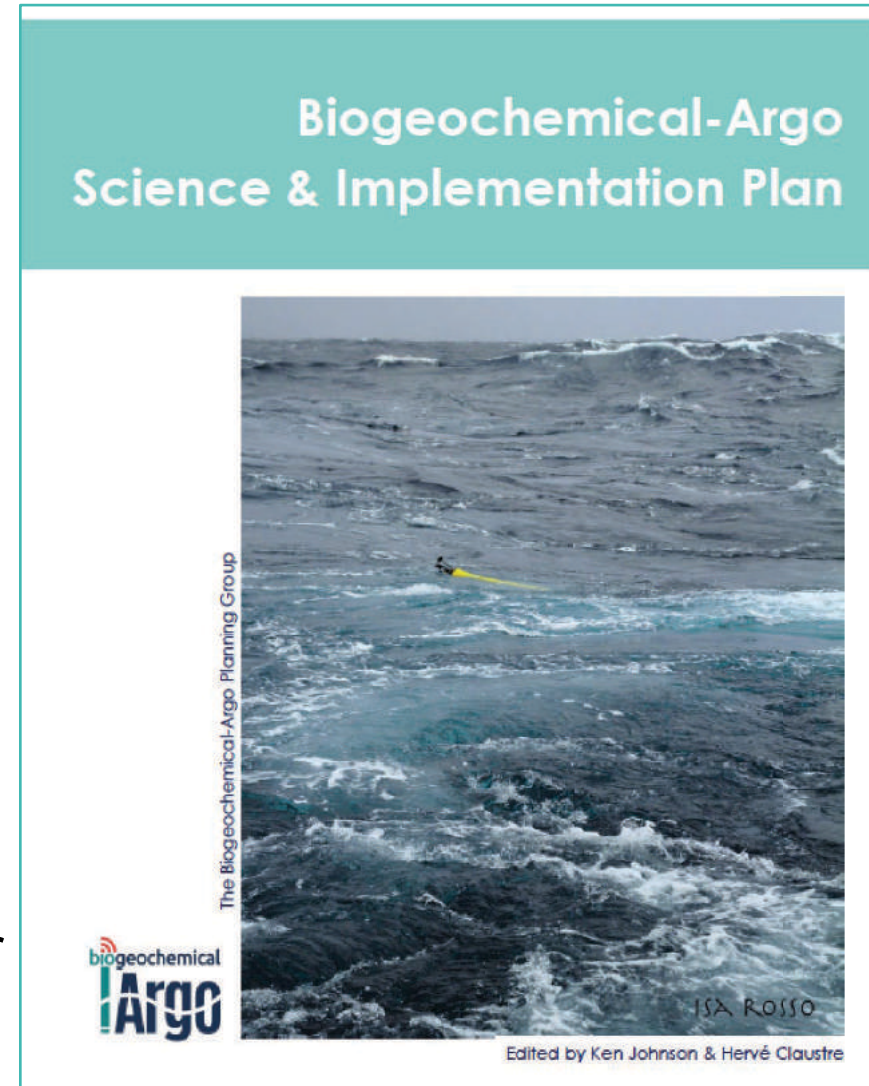


SOLO-II  
SIO

In development

# The Biogeochemical-Argo Implementation Plan

- An international plan
- 1000 profiling floats with O<sub>2</sub>, pH, NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>, bio-optics
- Observe seasonal and interannual change in carbon cycling, OMZ's, nutrient flux, acidification, biological carbon pump, phytoplankton phenology
- Ocean management of living marine resources & carbon budget verification
- Sustaining 1000 floats requires ~250 floats/year
- ~\$25,000,000/year (~\$12,500,000/year for US share?).



<http://biogeochemical-argo.org>





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UK



Germany



USA



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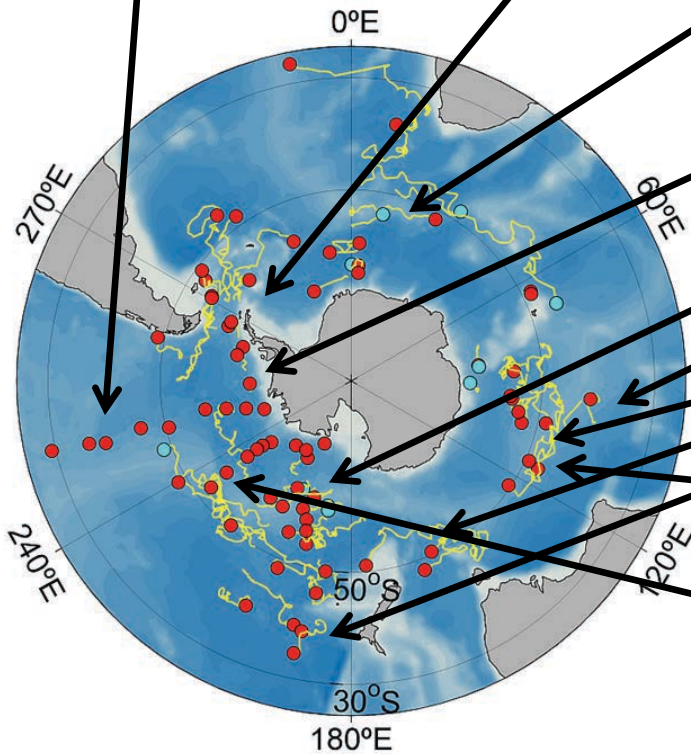
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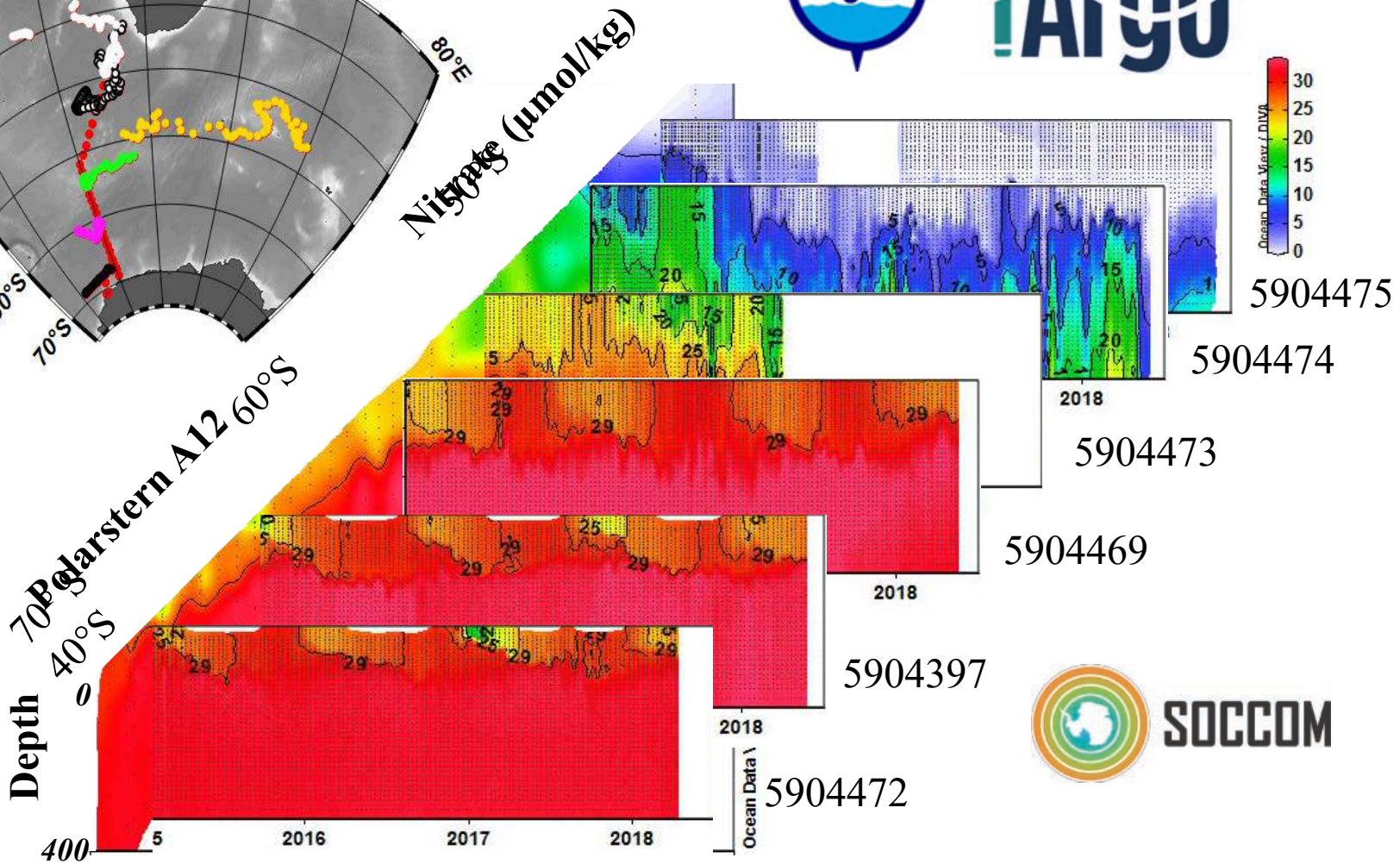
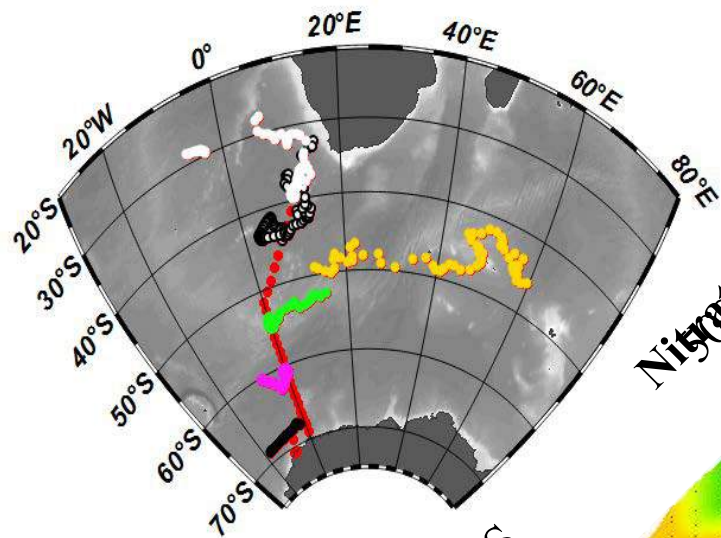


## 2018 BGC Plans

Canada	2	Italy	7
China	12	Japan	5
EU	2	Mexico	1
Finland	3	Norway	5
France	19	Poland	1
Germany	3	UK	6
Greece	1	USA	37
India	20		
		<b>Total</b>	<b>124</b>



But note that the sensor load is quite variable. Some have O<sub>2</sub> only. Some have O<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>3</sub>, pH, Chloro, Backscatter, Irradiance. And everything in between!



Johnson et al., JGR, 2017

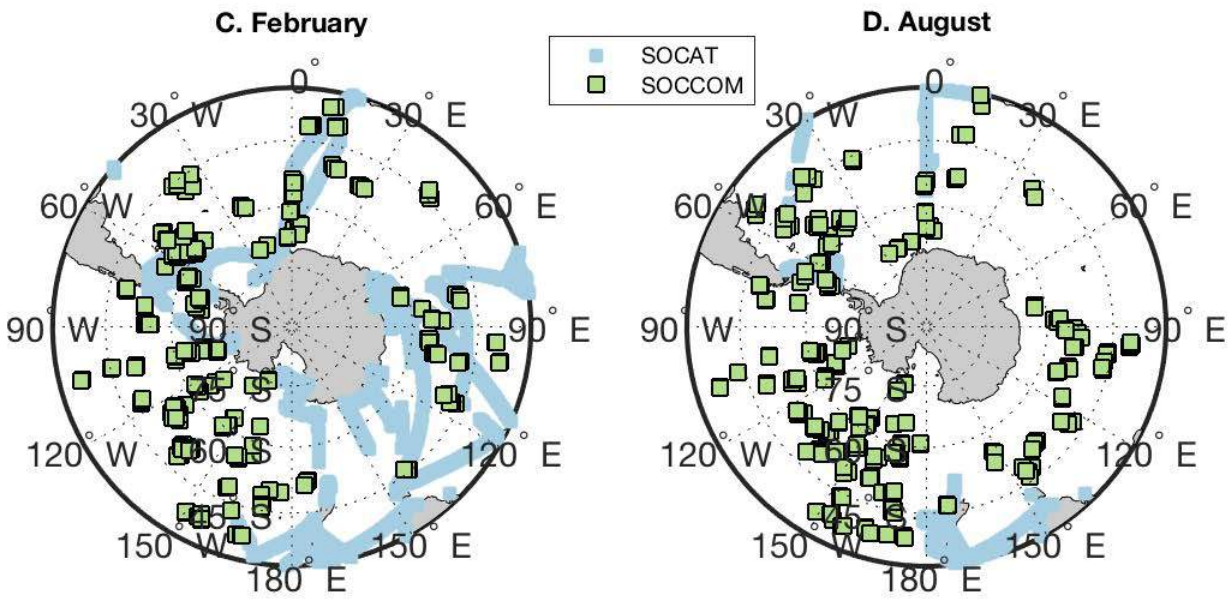
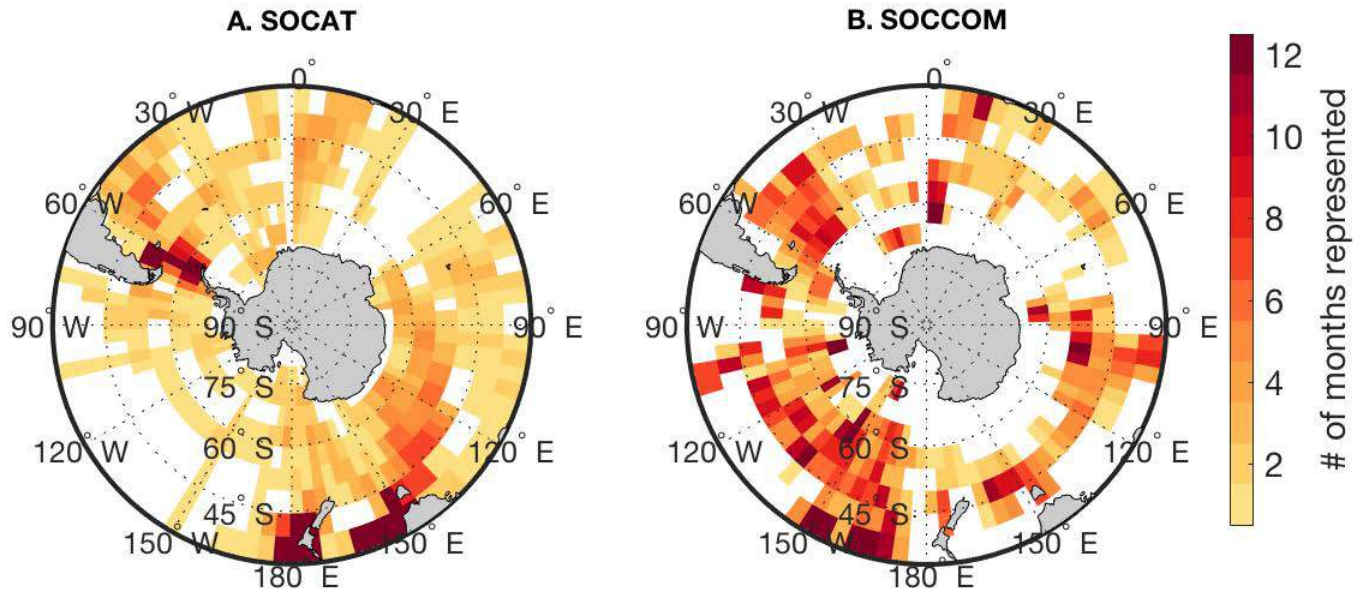


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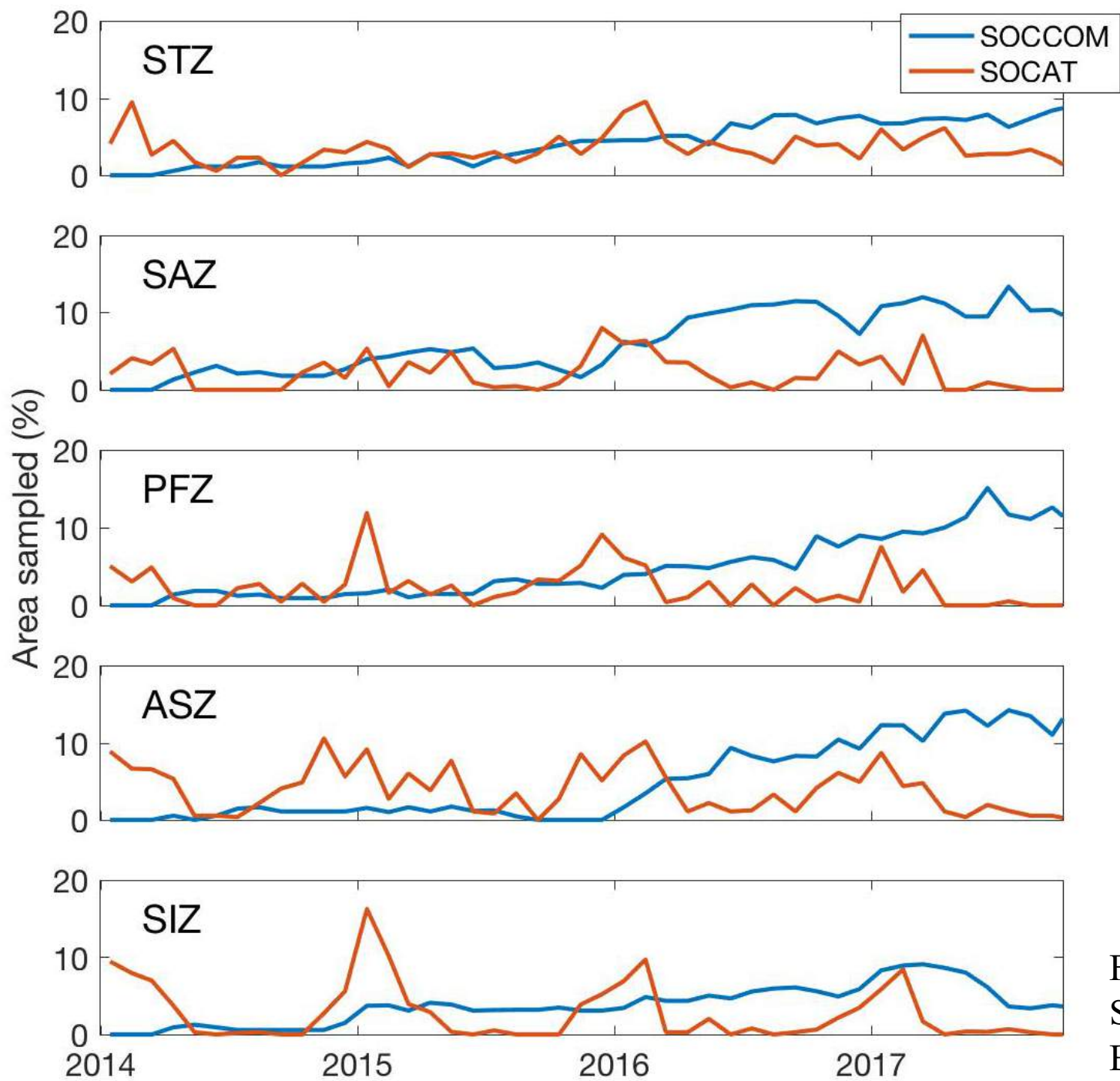
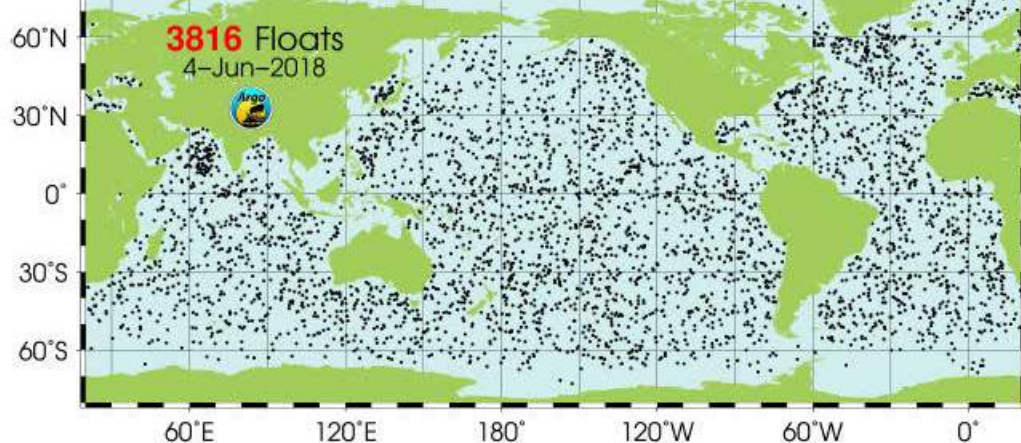


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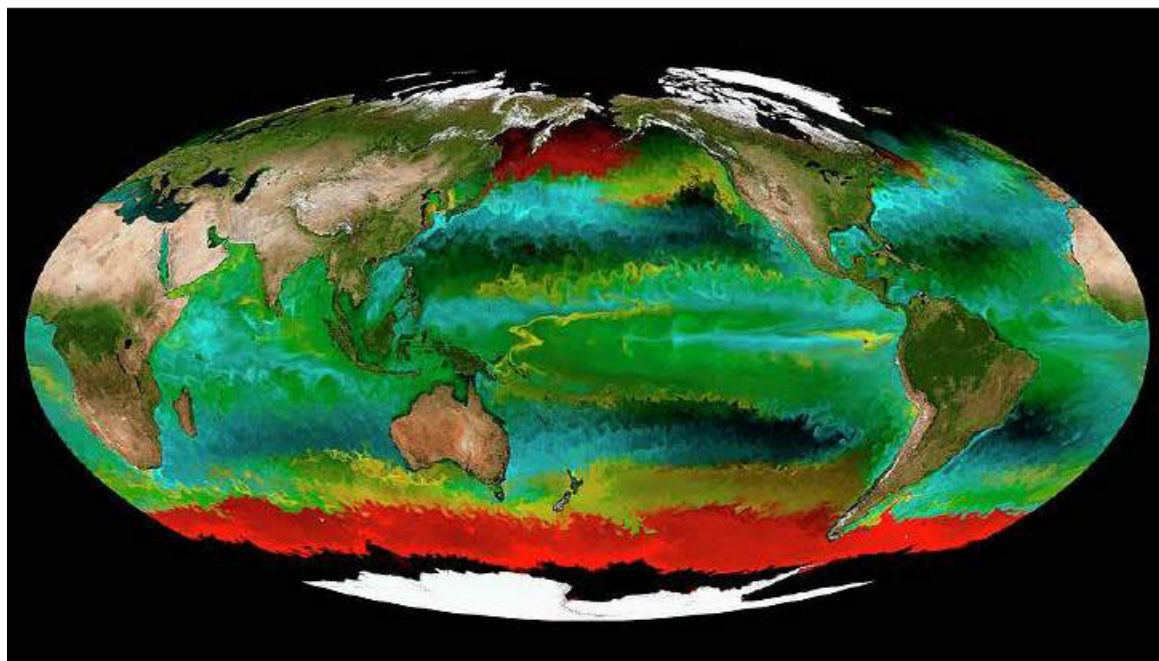
## BGC-Argo Network

1000 profiling floats with  
T & S, oxygen, nitrate, CDOM &  
chl fluorescence, backscatter,  
irradiance and pH



### Operational Centres

Global and regional models  
assimilate RT data for forecasting  
and DL-mode data for reanalyses



Improved model products  
for applications ranging from  
climate predictions, carbon  
accounting, assessment of  
ocean acidification and  
deoxygenation, and primary  
production estimates to  
management of living marine  
resources.



# B-SOSE

Biogeochemical Southern Ocean State Estimate  
Data assimilation of carbon and other biogeochemical constraints

Ariane Verdy, Matt Mazloff



UC San Diego

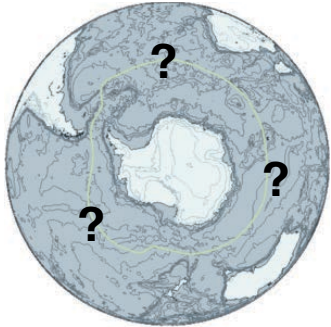
Lynne Talley, Sharon Escher, Bruce Cornuelle, Isa Rosso, Natalie Freeman, Joellen Russell, Jorge Sarmiento, Ken Johnson, Emmanuel Boss, Matt Long, John Dunne, Eric Galbraith



# State estimation

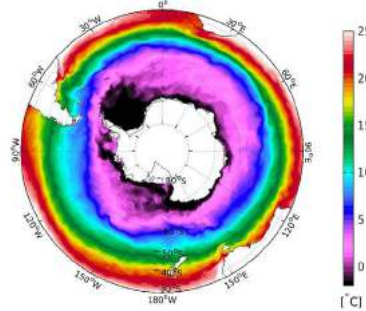
## 4D-Var, “adjoint” method

models are used to hindcast the ocean state (T, S, V, SSH)



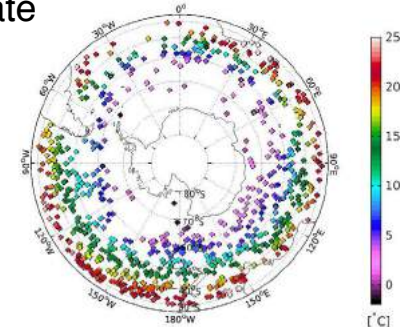
*e.g. Southern Ocean 2013-2017*

using inputs: initial conditions & atmospheric forcing



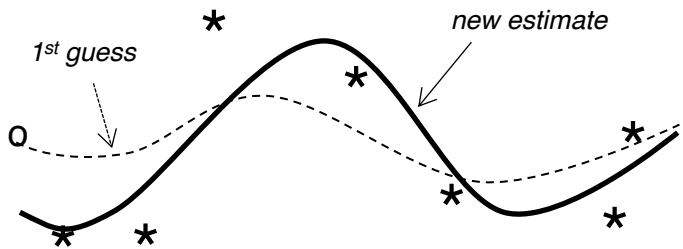
*e.g. T & S from Argo maps, winds & air temp, etc. from ECMWF*

adjust those inputs to bring the model closer to observations of the actual ocean state



*e.g. from Argo profiles, satellites, ...*

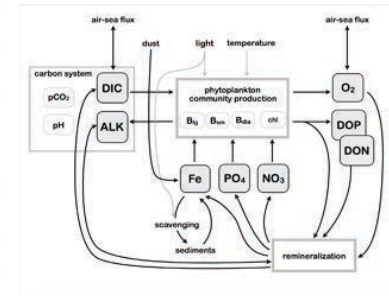
minimize the “cost function” :



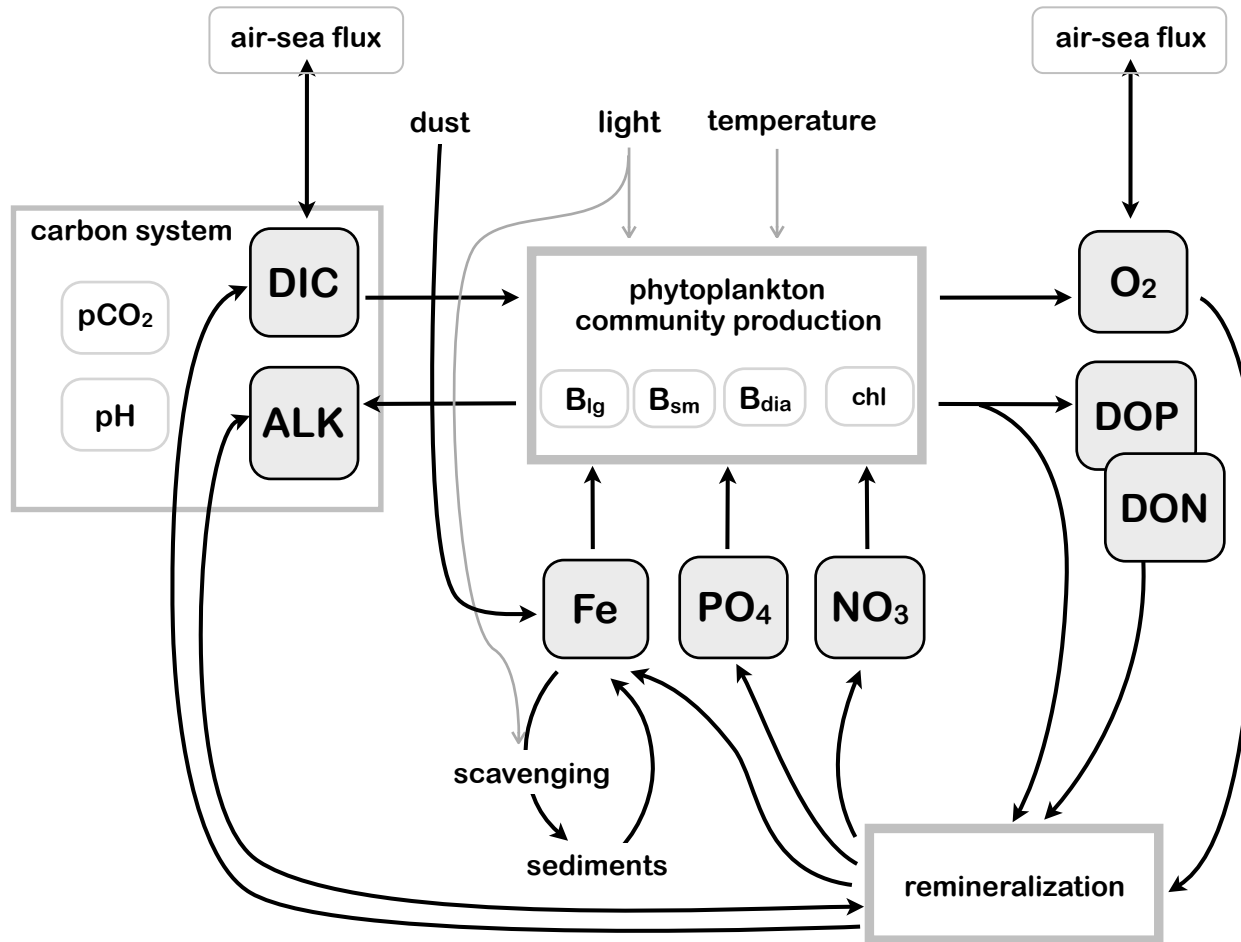
$$\Sigma (\text{weighted model-observations misfit})^2 + \Sigma (\text{weighted adjustment to inputs})^2$$

[ecco.jpl.nasa.gov](http://ecco.jpl.nasa.gov)

## B-SOSE: biogeochemical + physical state optimized together



# Biogeochemical model



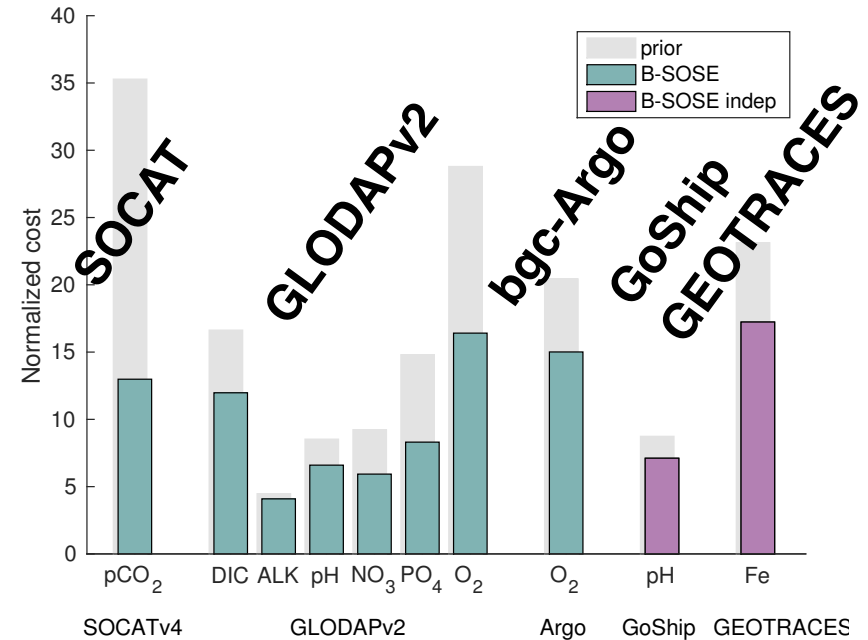
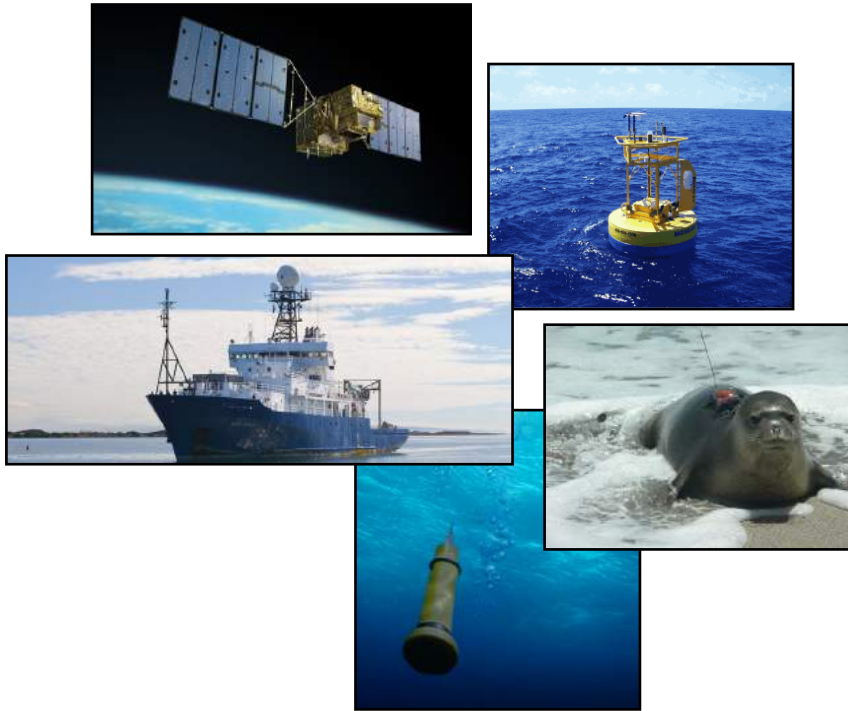
“N-bling”

all prognostic and diagnostic variables are estimated; can be compared / constrained to observations

# B-SOSE product

2008-2012, 1/3 degree

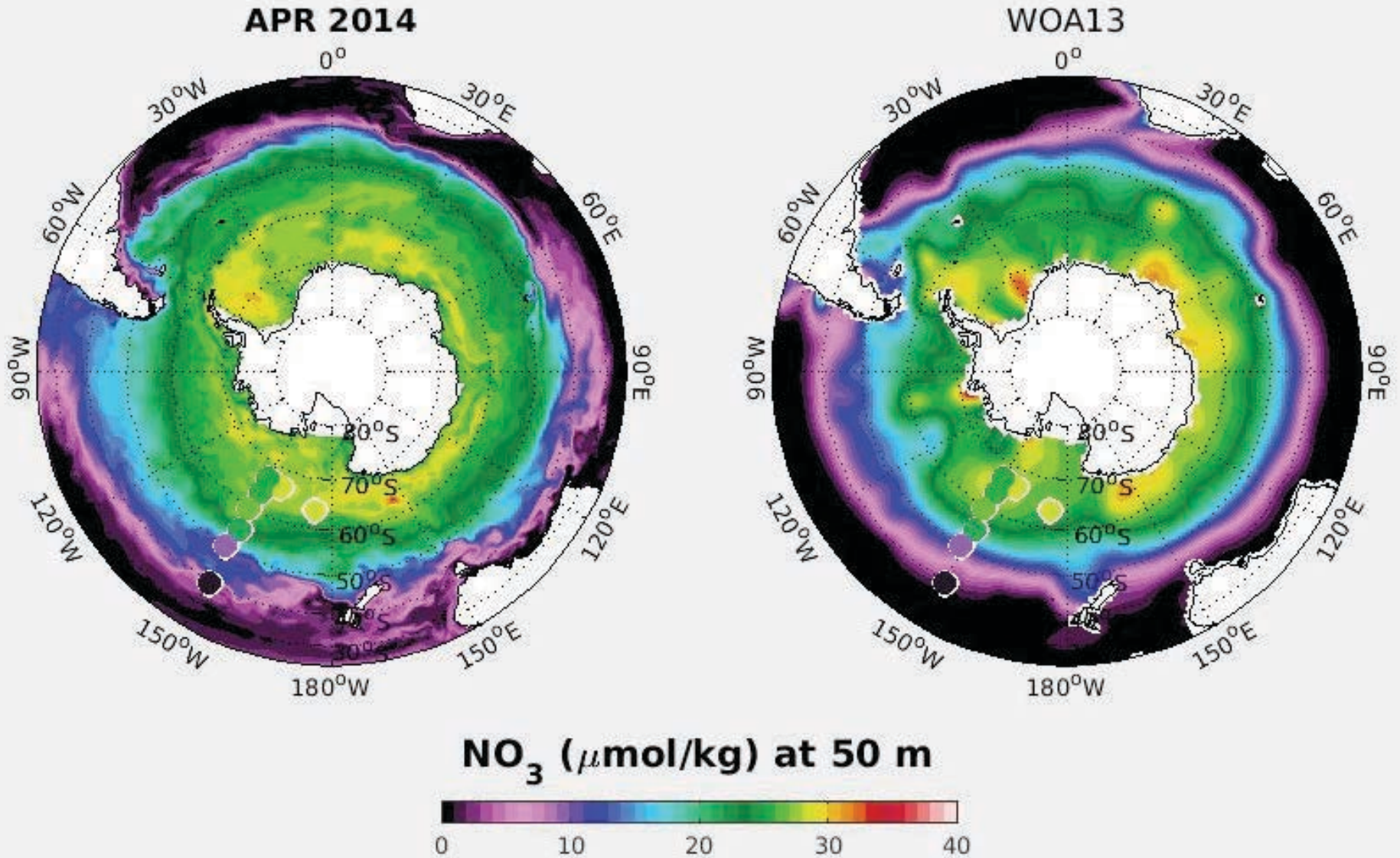
Verdy and Mazloff (2017), A data assimilating model for estimating Southern Ocean biogeochemistry, JGR-Oceans



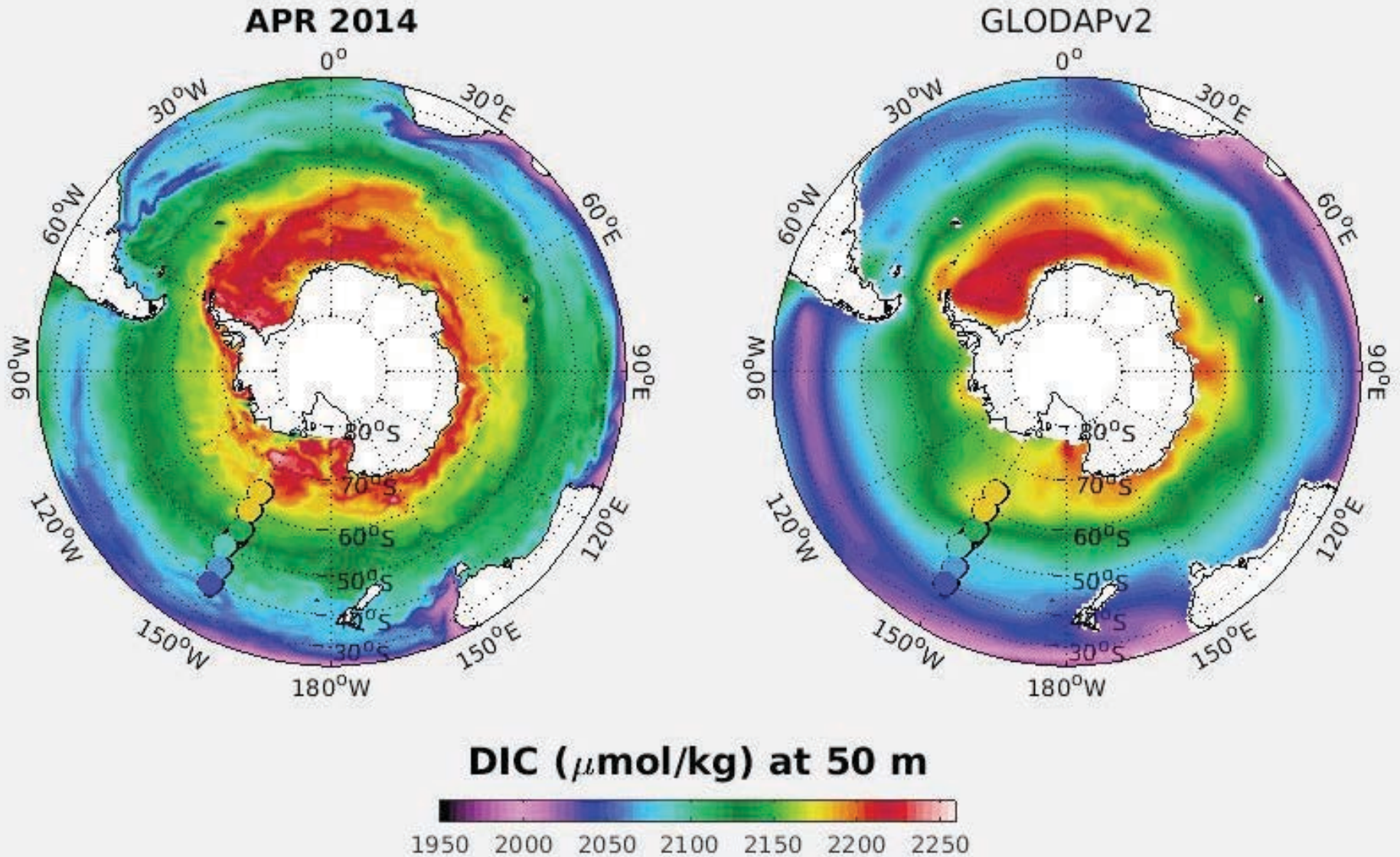
2013-2018 in production (with SOCCOM floats constraints)



# B-SOSE vs climatology with SOCCOM float observations

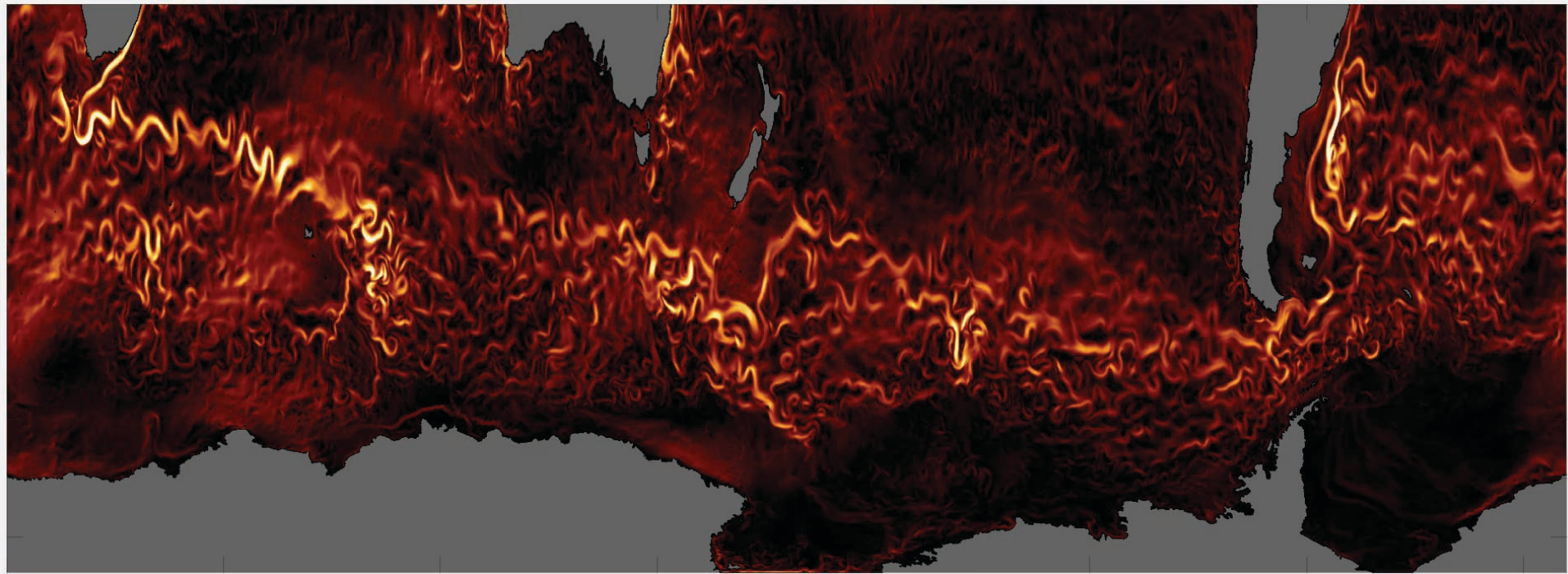


# B-SOSE vs climatology with SOCCOM float observations





## B-SOSE surface speed



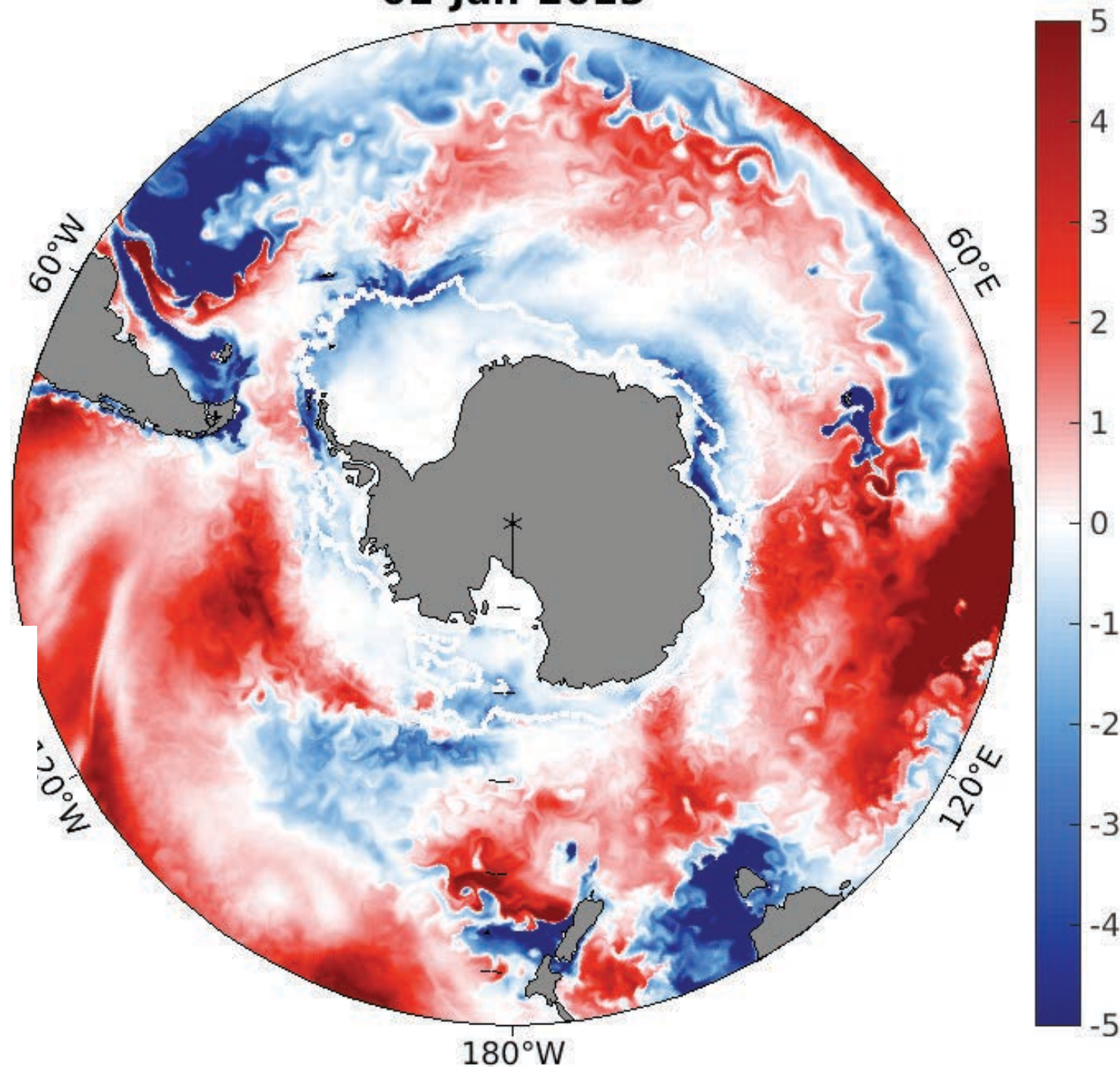
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Movie from Stan Swierczek



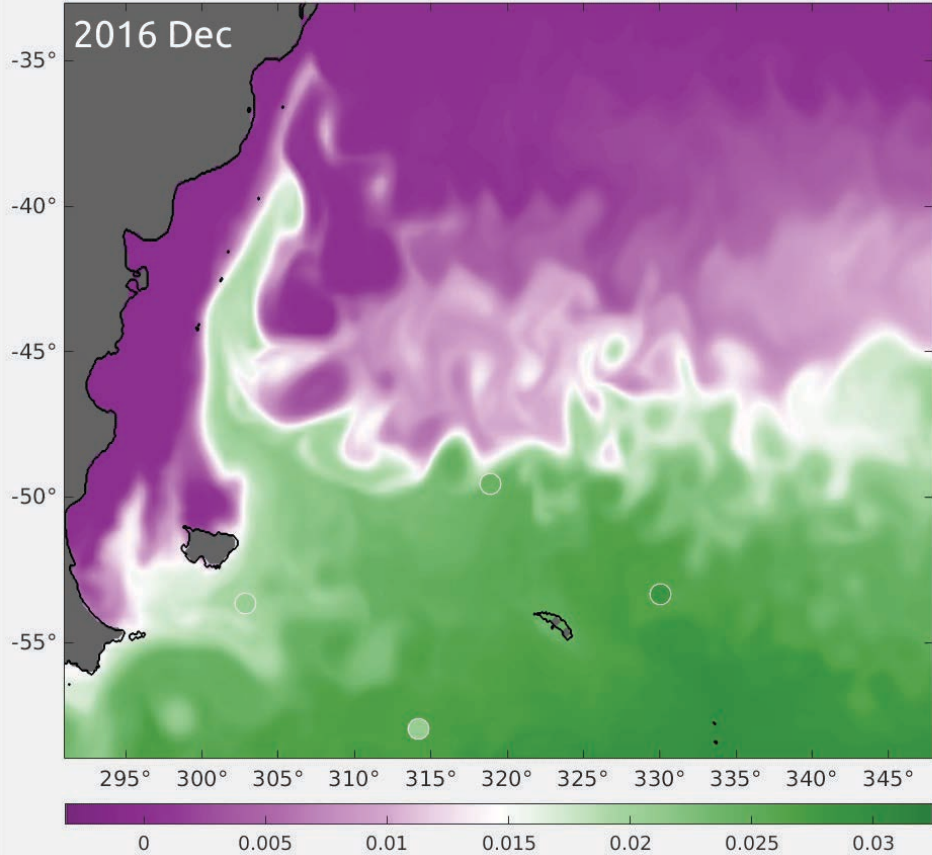


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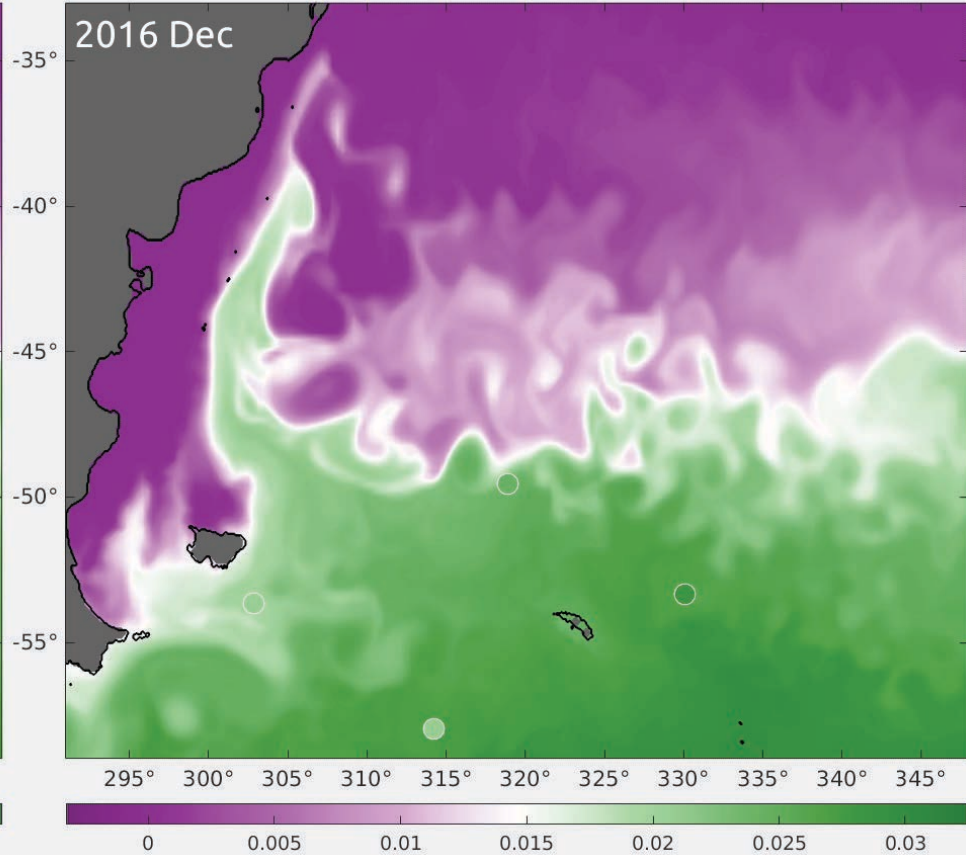


Air-sea CO<sub>2</sub> flux  
[mol m<sup>-2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>]  
from B-SOSE  
2013 - 2017  
solution

MITGCM vs. Argo nitrate (mol NO<sub>3</sub>/m) at 20m depth



BSOSE vs. Argo nitrate (mol NO<sub>3</sub>/m) at 20m depth



NO<sub>3</sub> at 20m run at 1/3°  
initialize from BSOSE

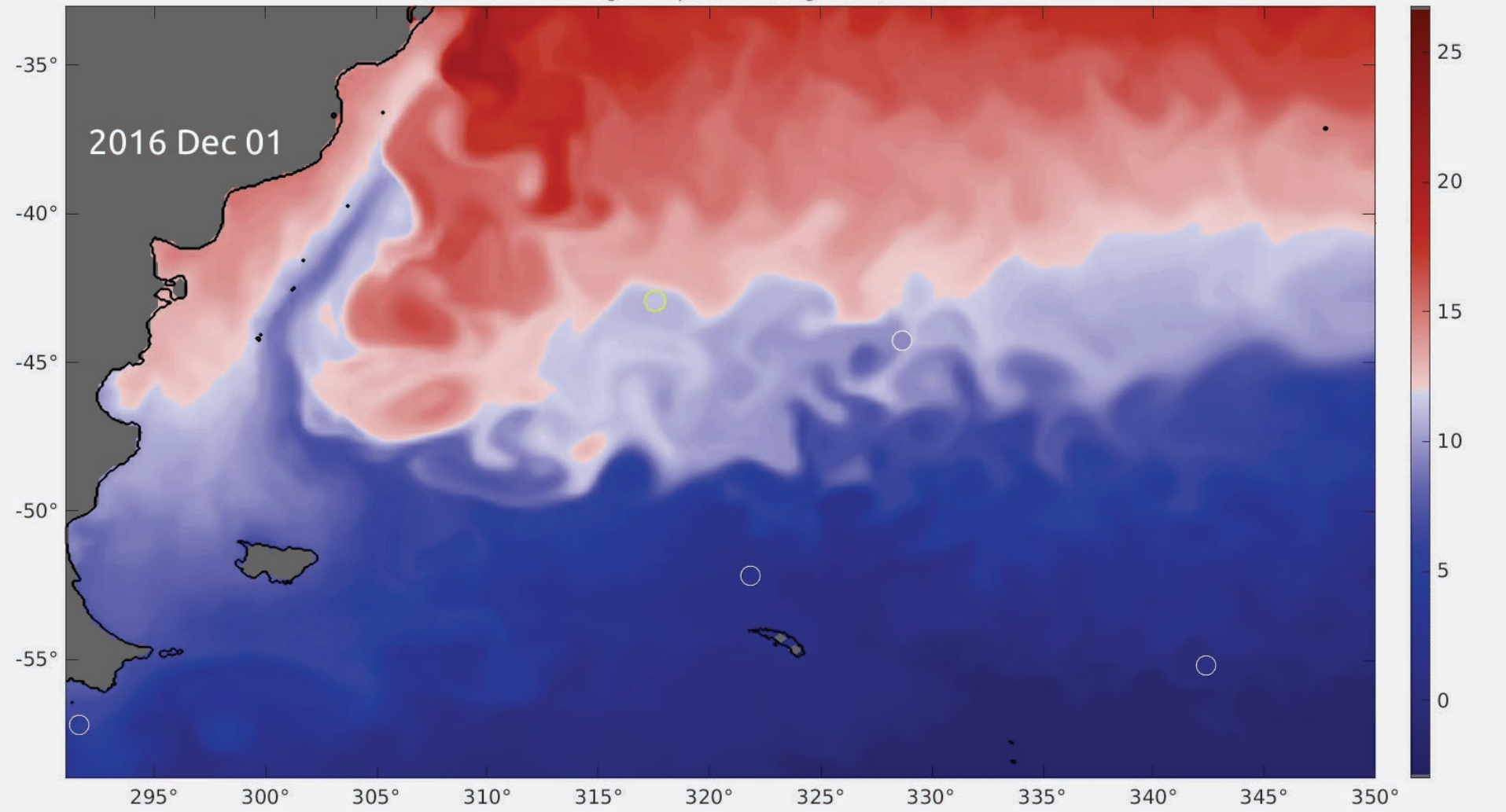
NO<sub>3</sub> at 20m in 1/6° BSOSE

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BSOSE vs. Argo temperature (degrees C) at 20m



Potential temperature at 20m in  
1/6° BSOSE

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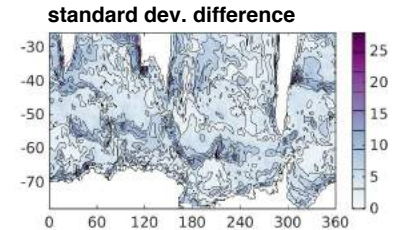
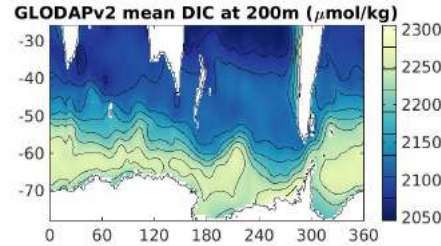
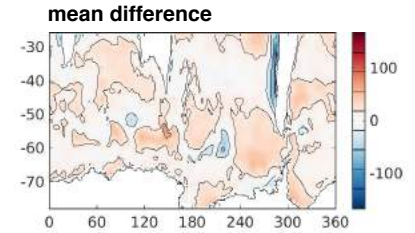
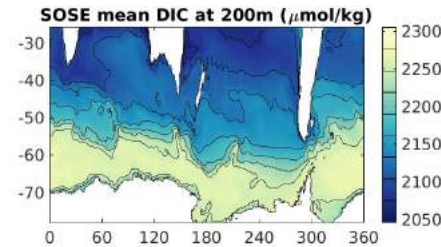
# Validation [http://sose.ucsd.edu/bsose\\_valid.html](http://sose.ucsd.edu/bsose_valid.html)

\* = assimilated

## Comparisons with gridded products

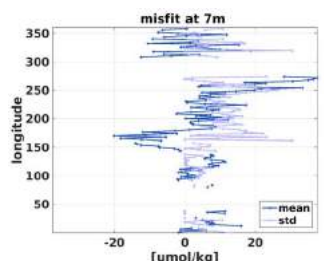
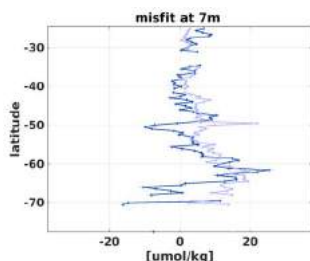
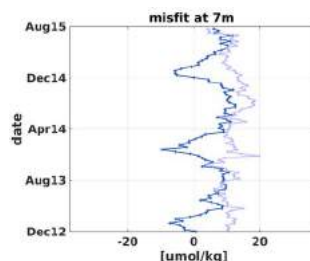
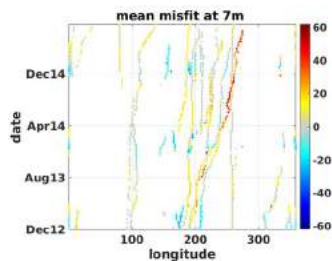
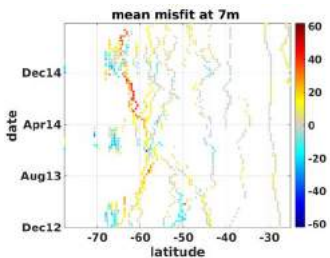
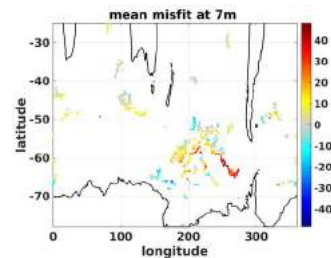
- \* ocean color (chl, POC)
- \* altimetry
- \* microwave SST
- \* sea ice

Argo monthly mapped product  
GLODAPv2, WOA13, SOCAT climatologies  
Landschützer monthly mapped product



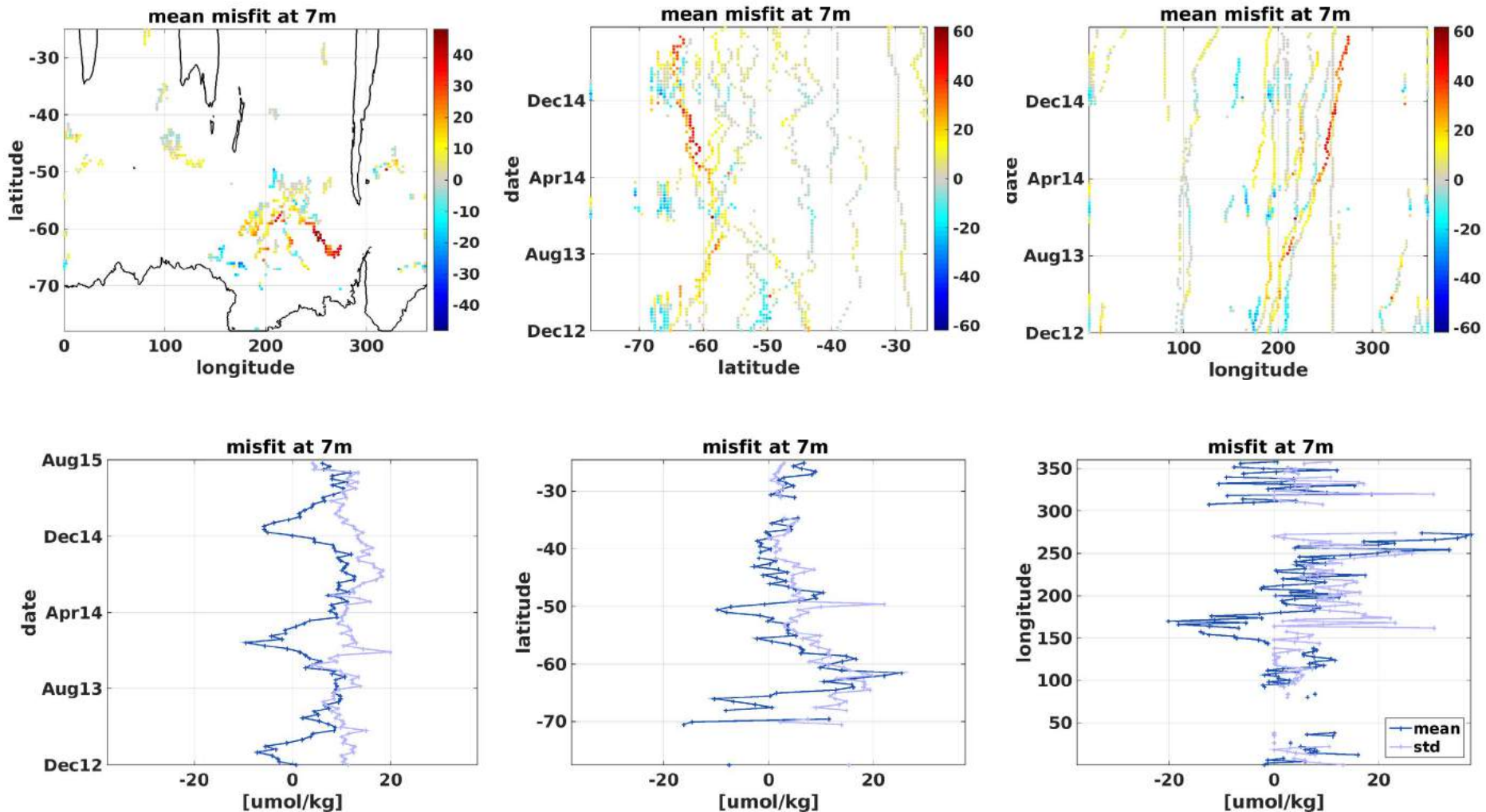
## Comparisons with in situ observations

- \* Argo profiles (T,S)
  - \* calibrated bgc-Argo ( $\text{O}_2$ )
  - \* SOCCOM floats
  - \* SOCAT ( $\text{pCO}_2$ )
  - \* GLODAPv2 (carbon, nutrients)
  - \* CTD (T, S,  $\text{O}_2$ , chl)
  - \* XBT, MEOP, PIES
- GEOTRACES

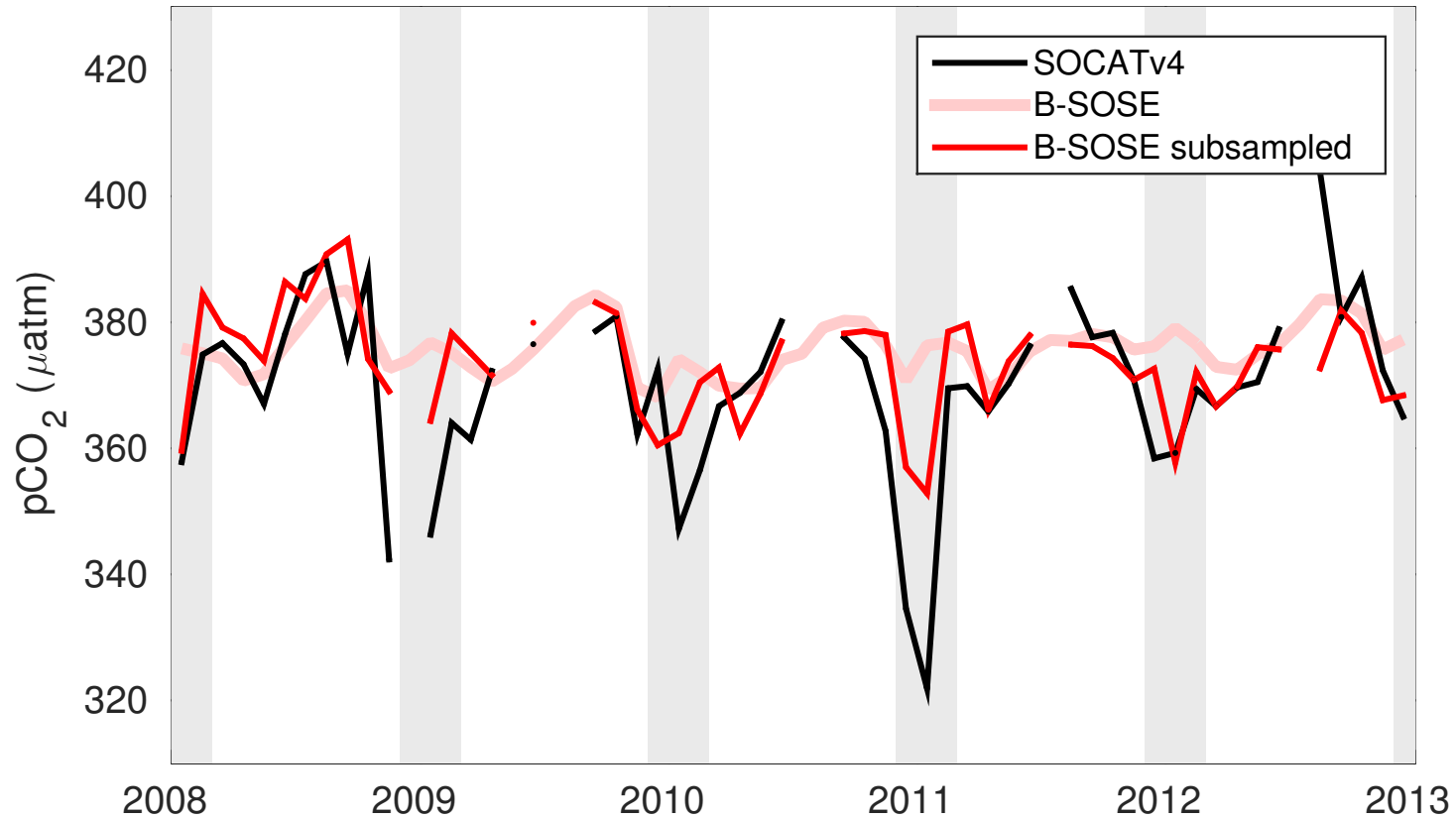


# Comparisons with in situ observations

7 m O<sub>2</sub> in B-SOSE 2013-2017 is compared to bgc-Argo



# pCO<sub>2</sub> in Drake Passage

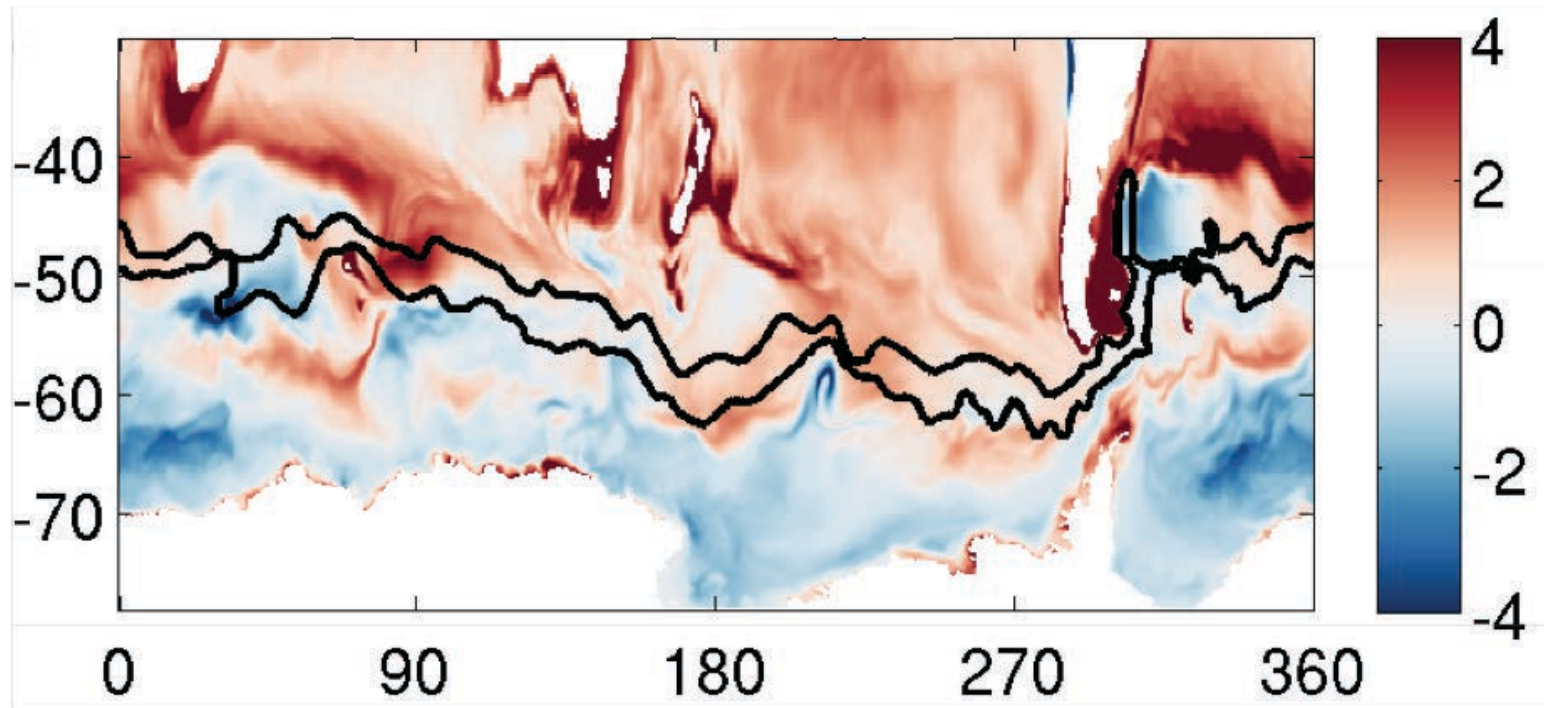


Monthly-averaged pCO<sub>2</sub> in Drake Passage (75°W to 55°W, south of 50°S) from SOCATv4 observations (black) [Bakker et al., 2016; Munro et al., 2015a, 2015b], and from B-SOSE (area average in pink; subsampled at the location of observations in red). Summer months are shaded gray.



**We have the adjoint tool. Use it to address question:**

**What is the sensitivity of October air-sea carbon**



October mean CO<sub>2</sub> flux in model [mol m<sup>-2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>].

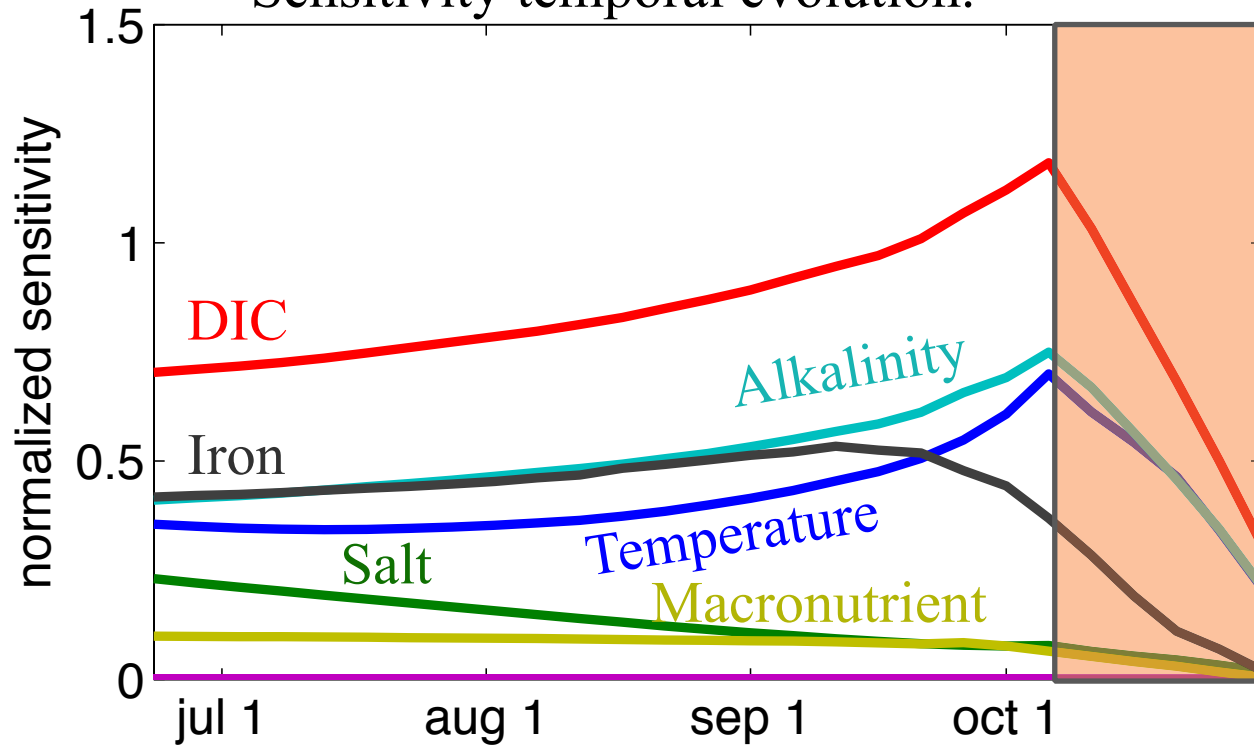
Warm colors are CO<sub>2</sub> uptake by ocean. Cool colors are CO<sub>2</sub> outgassing.



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# What is the sensitivity of October air-sea carbon exchange poleward of 40°S?

Sensitivity temporal evolution.

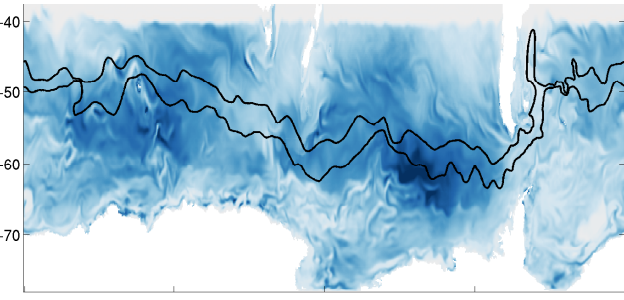


Sensitivity calculated as RMS of adjoint gradient normalized by standard deviation of respective property.

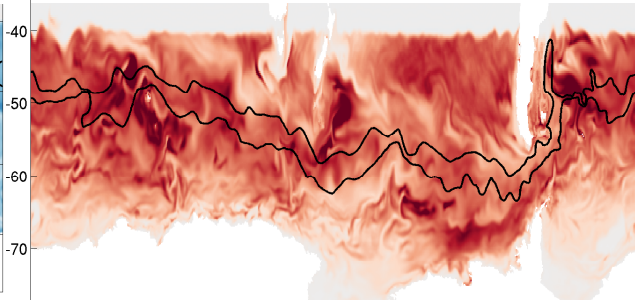


# Sensitivity of October air-sea CO<sub>2</sub> flux to properties in September:

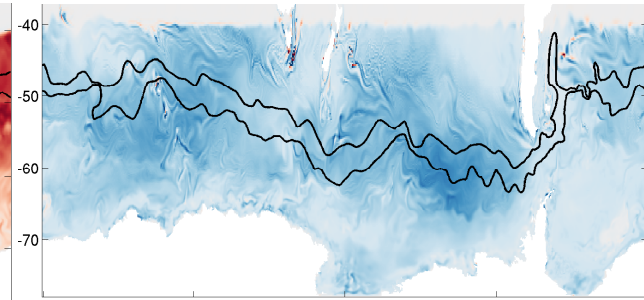
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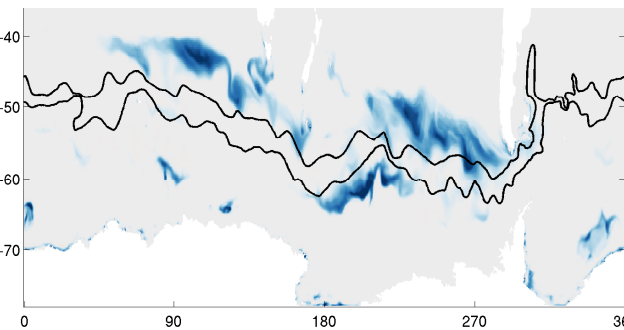
to iron in upper 300m



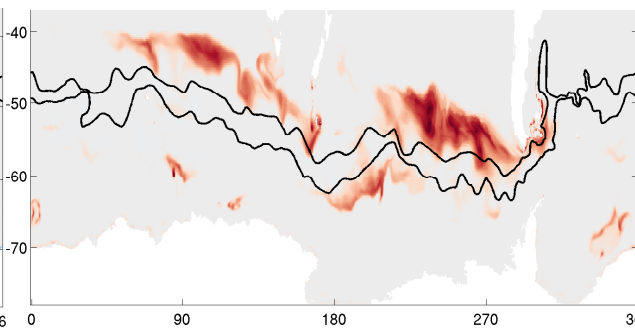
to T in upper 300m



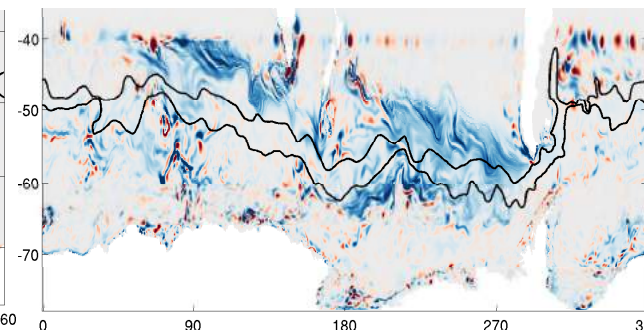
to DIC in 300 - 600m



to iron in 300 - 600m



to T in 300 - 600m



Warm colors denote increasing property increases oceanic sink.  
Cool colors denote increasing property increases outgassing.

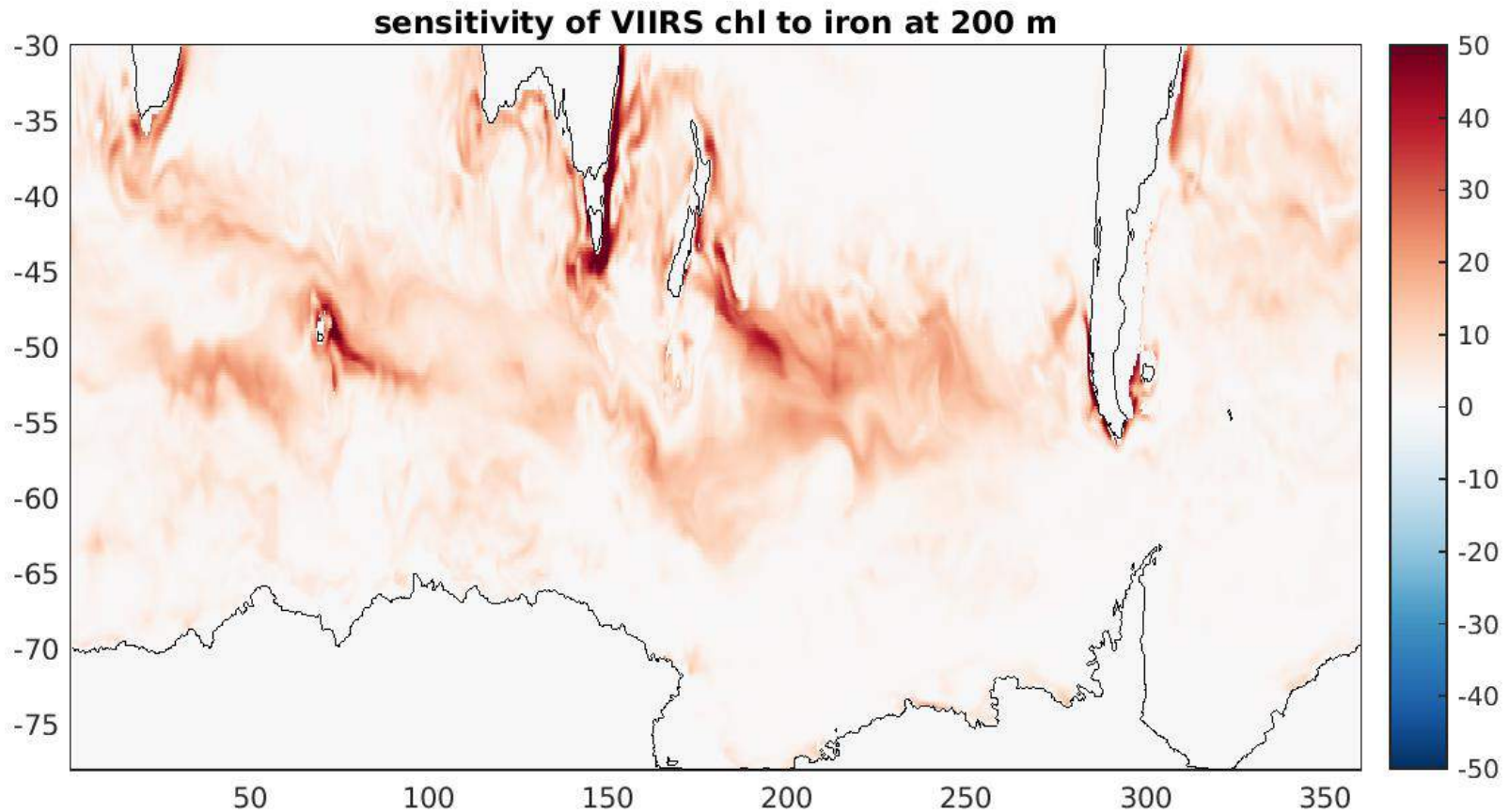


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# Assimilating ocean color observations

cost function = surface chlorophyll from VIIRS satellite, 2013

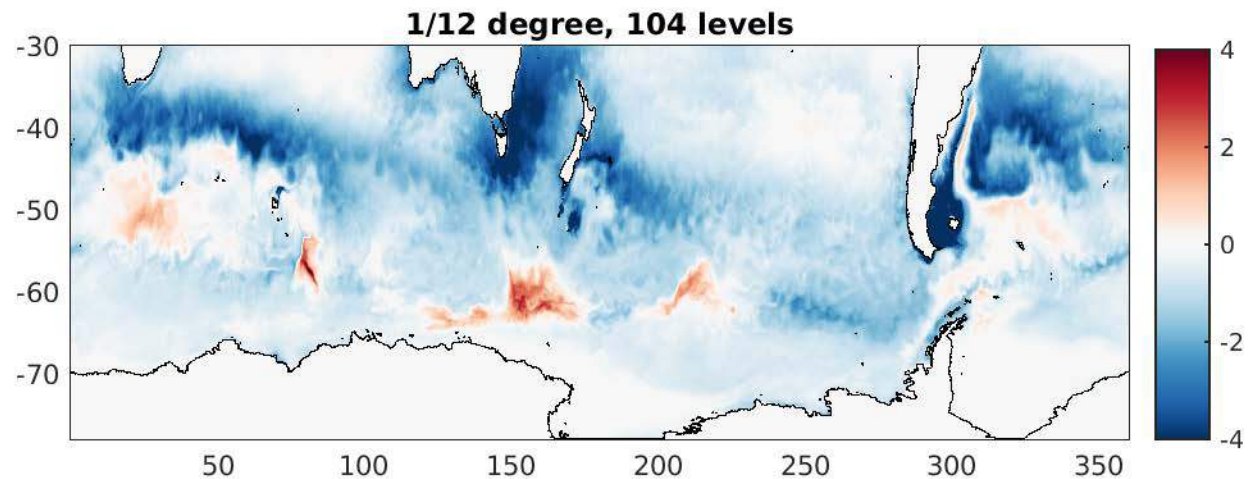
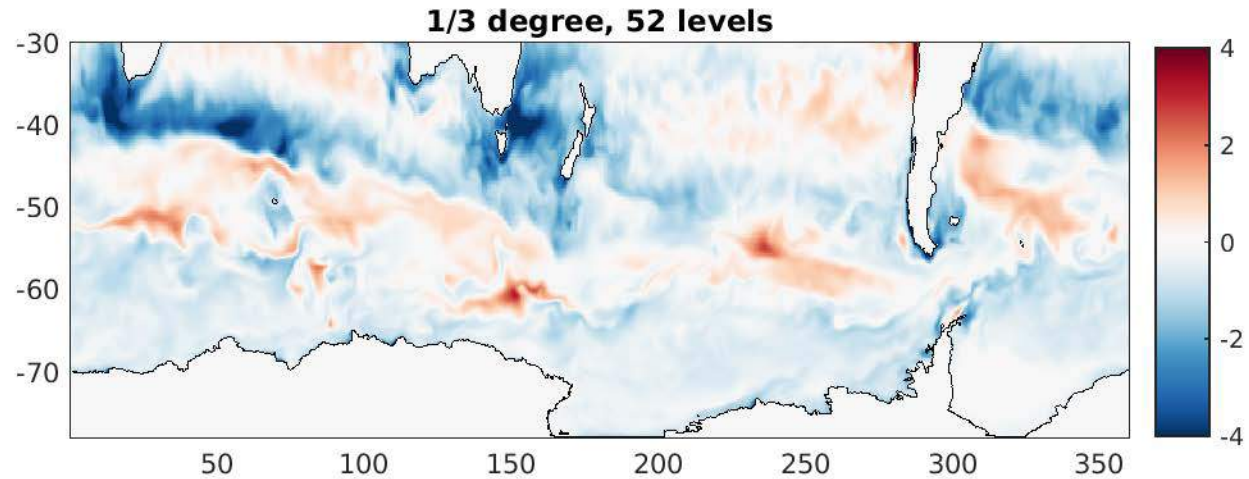


red = where adding iron would reduce the misfit with observations

# Higher resolution, multi-grid assimilation

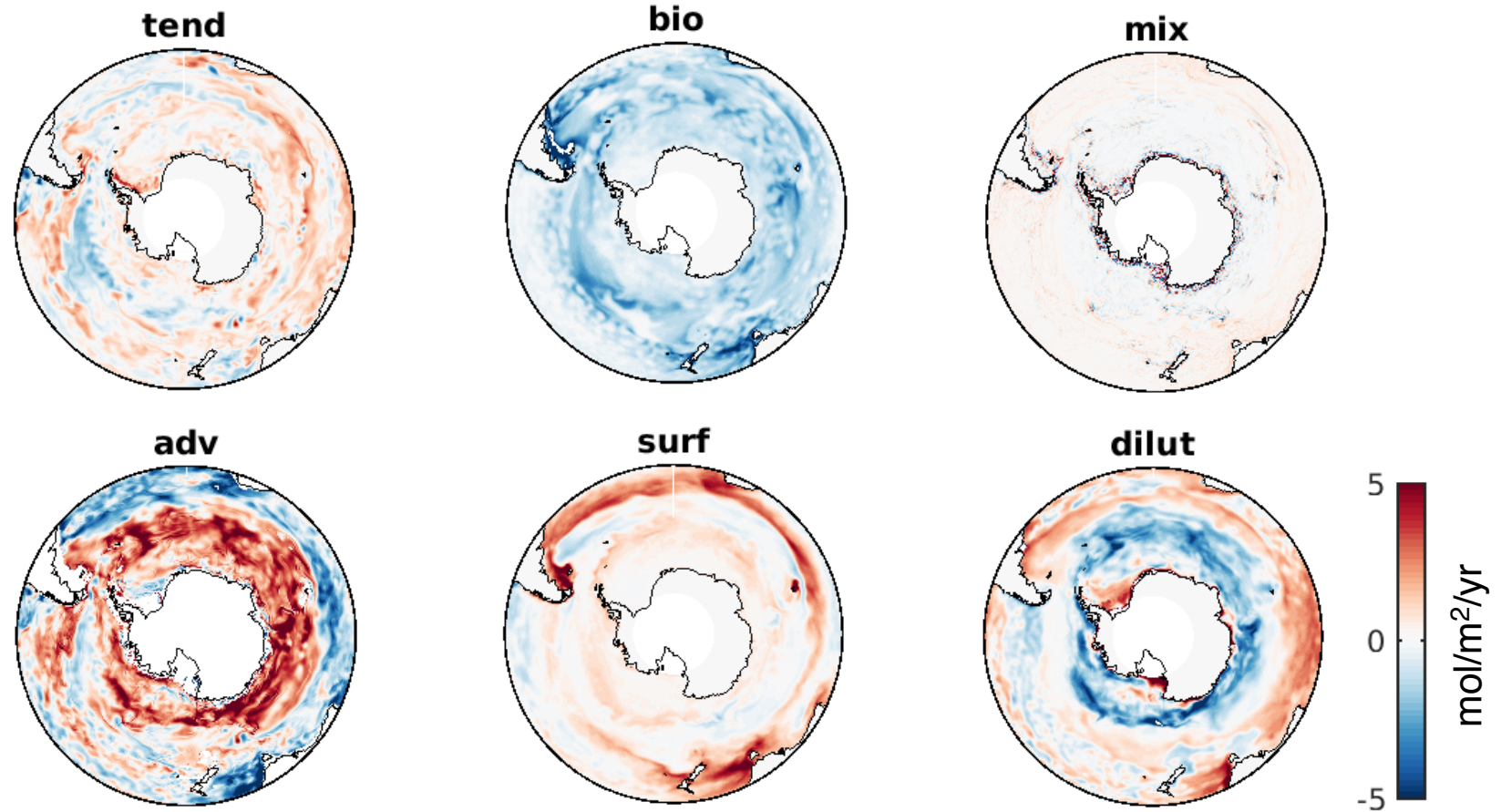
CO2 flux, 2010 mean

mol/m<sup>2</sup>/yr



# Budgets <http://sose.ucsd.edu/budgets/>

DIC in the top 650 m, 2008-2012

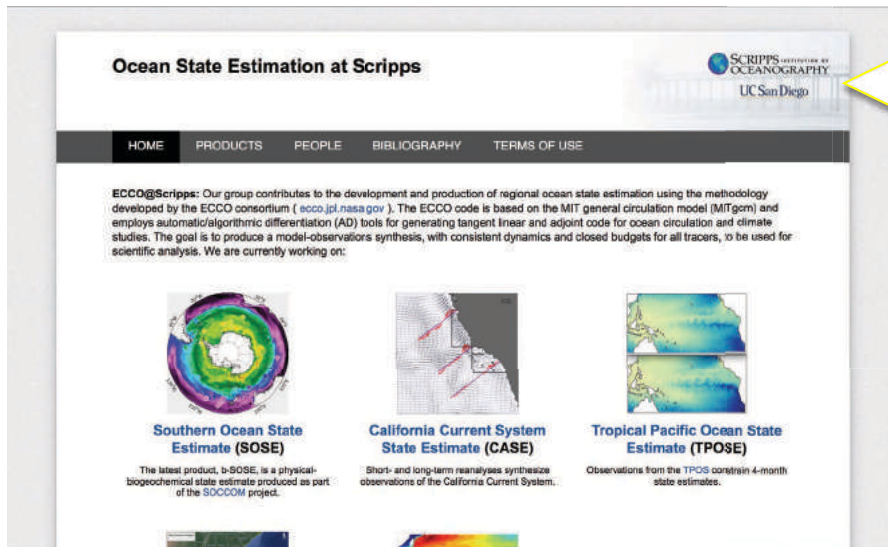


Rosso et al. (2017), Space and time variability of the Southern Ocean carbon budget. *JGR-Oceans*.



# Getting the products

B-SOSE output: [sose.ucsd.edu](http://sose.ucsd.edu)  
+ validation  
+ documentation



- netCDF
- CF compliant
- **available for model comparisons**

MITgcm BLING model and adjoint: [github.com/MITgcm/MITgcm](https://github.com/MITgcm/MITgcm)



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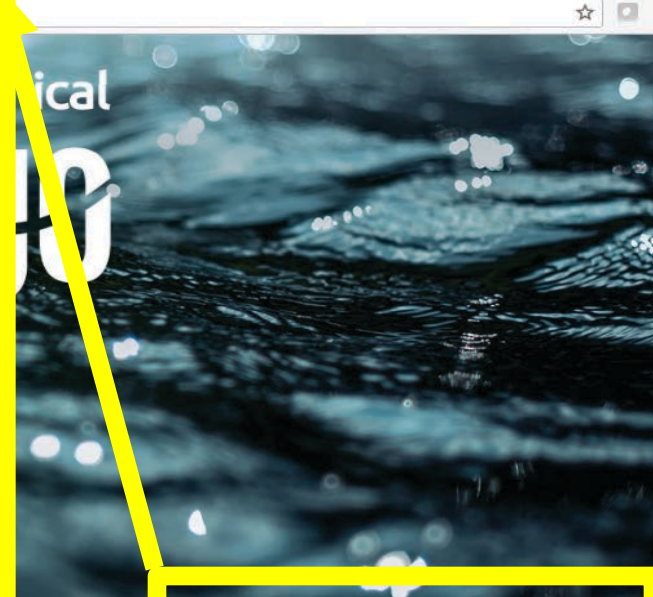
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### 2019 CHL A PROFILES ACQUIRED BY

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TOTAL PH PROFILES	2019 PH PROFILES ACQUIRED BY
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TOTAL CHL A PROFILES	2019 CHL A PROFILES ACQUIRED BY
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**SOCCOM**

## Biogeochemical Southern Ocean State Estimates (B-SOSE)

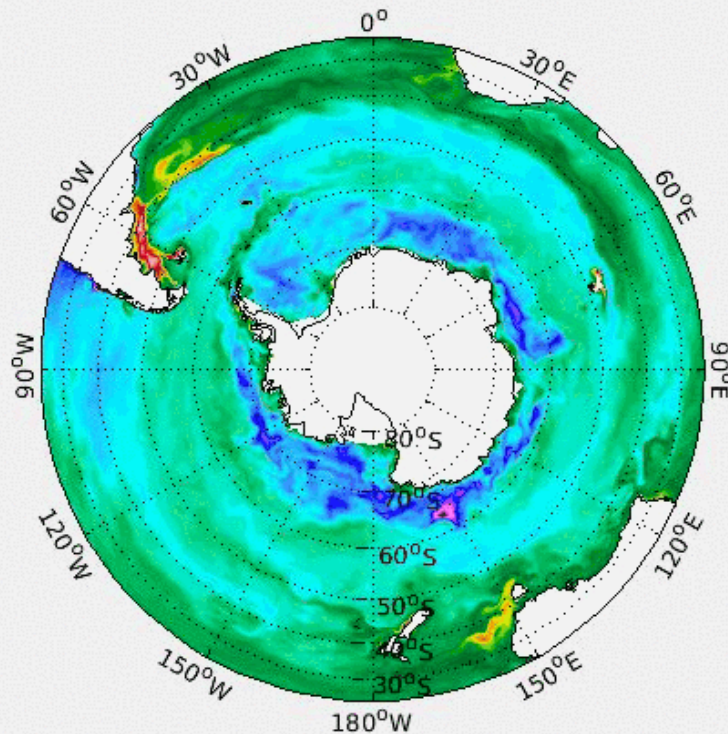
<http://sose.ucsd.edu/>

- Have produced a  $1/6^\circ$  resolution 2008-2012 pre-SOCCOM B-SOSE
- Produced a  $1/6^\circ$  resolution 2013 - 2017 SOCCOM era B-SOSE and now extending it.

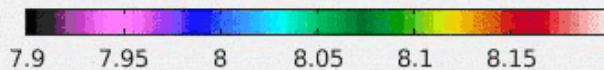
Providing biogeochemical and physical budgets, extensive validation, and analysis software, enabling researchers and stakeholders to understand the variability in our marine resources

Verdy and Mazloff, 2017. A data assimilating model for estimating Southern Ocean biogeochemistry. JGR.

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**B-SOSE 50 m pH**



pH at 50m.

Floats superimposed on B-SOSE