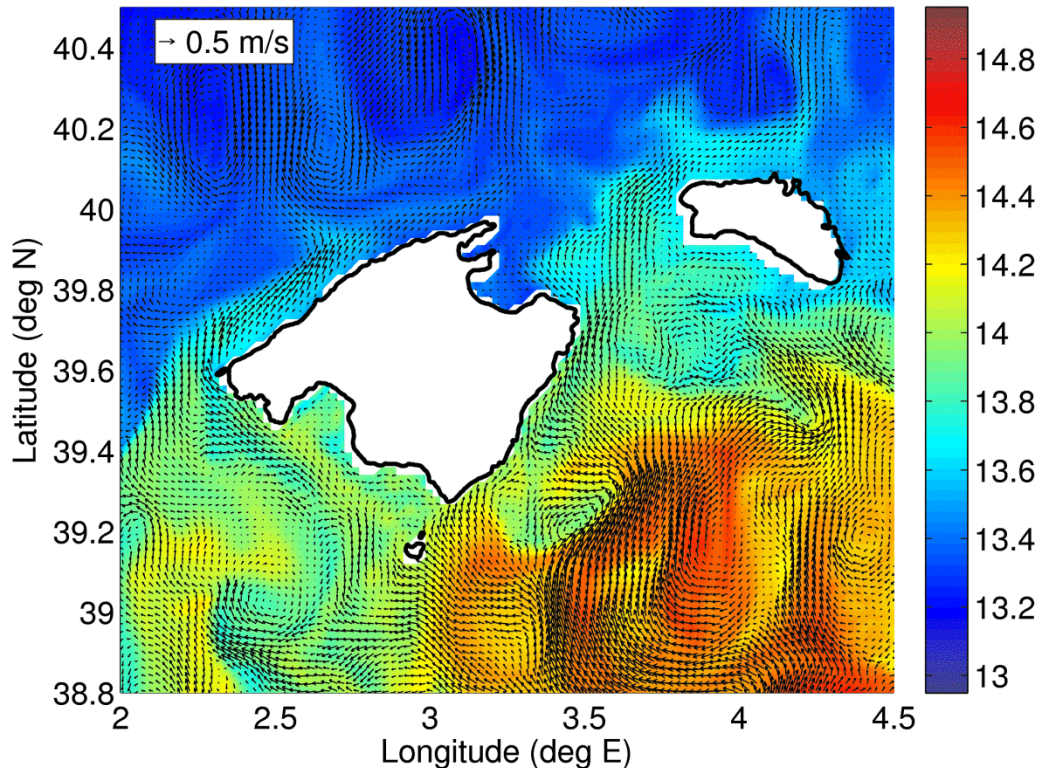


Predicción oceánica: el nuevo papel de los planeadores submarinos



WMOP ocean forecast
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Baptiste Mourre



Balearic Islands
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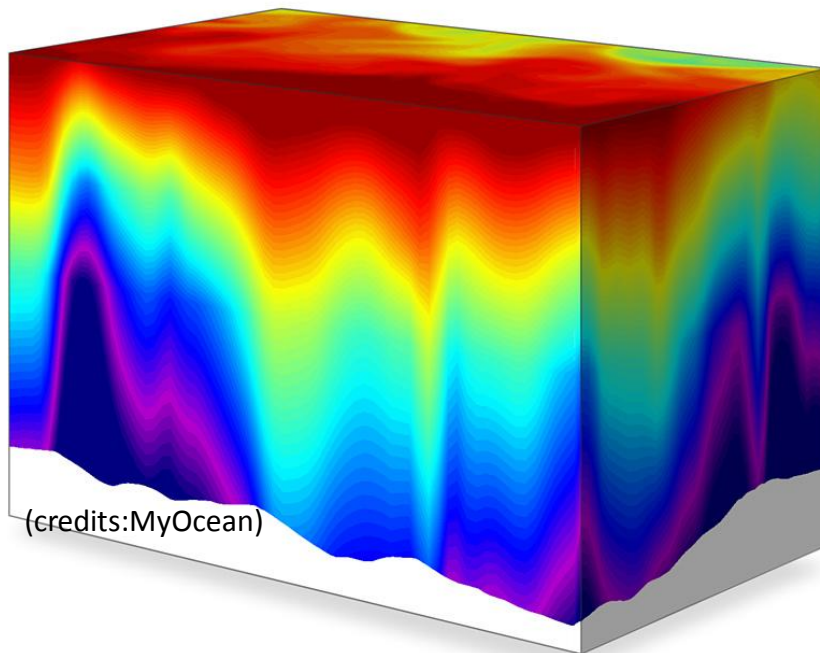
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Why models ?

3D representation of the state of the ocean (in terms of physical variables: temperature, salinity, currents) from surface to bottom, over extended areas, at any time of a simulated period.



Introduction: models

What do ocean models do ?

Numerically integrate in time the equations describing the ocean flow, given **an initial state** and the **external forcing** (atmosphere, rivers, lateral open boundaries) during the simulation period.

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{U}_h}{\partial t} = - \left[(\nabla \times \mathbf{U}) \times \mathbf{U} + \frac{1}{2} \nabla (U^2) \right]_h - f \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{U}_h - \frac{1}{\rho_a} \nabla_h p + \mathbf{D}^v$$

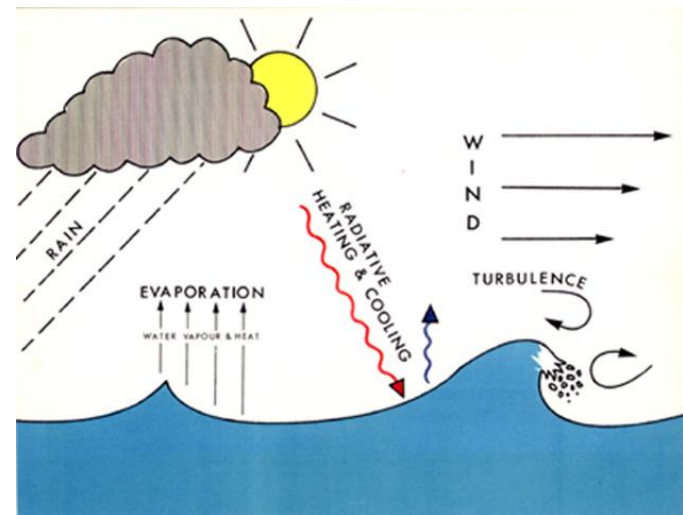
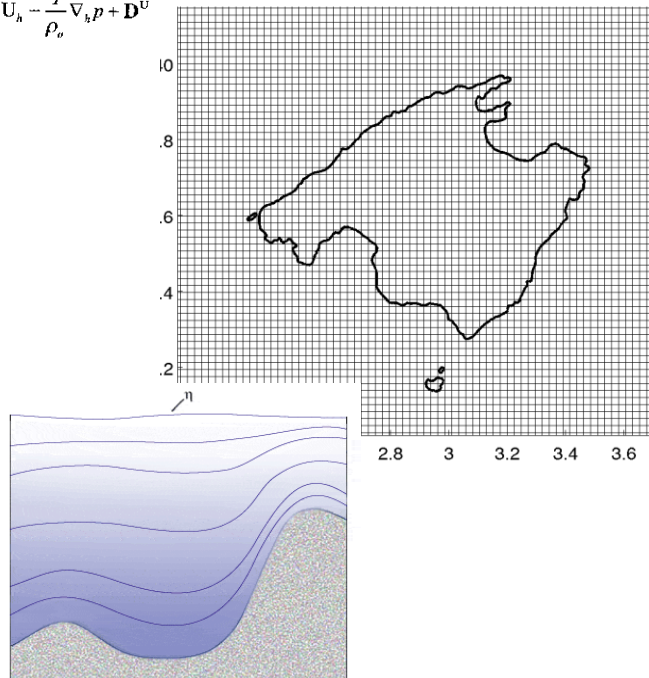
$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} = -\rho g$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{U} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (T \mathbf{U}) + D^T$$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (S \mathbf{U}) + D^S$$

$$\rho = \rho(T, S, p)$$

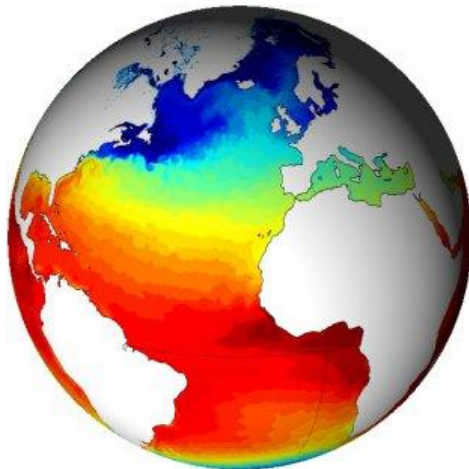


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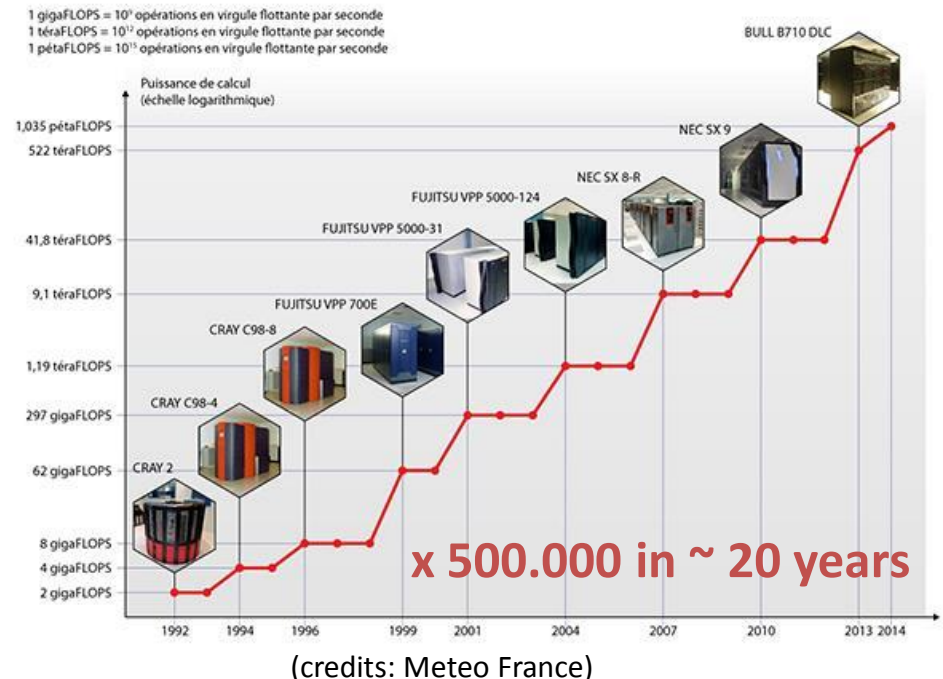
Over the last few years, operational high-resolution regional predictions have become affordable due to:

1) Maturity of global/basin-scale operational predictions



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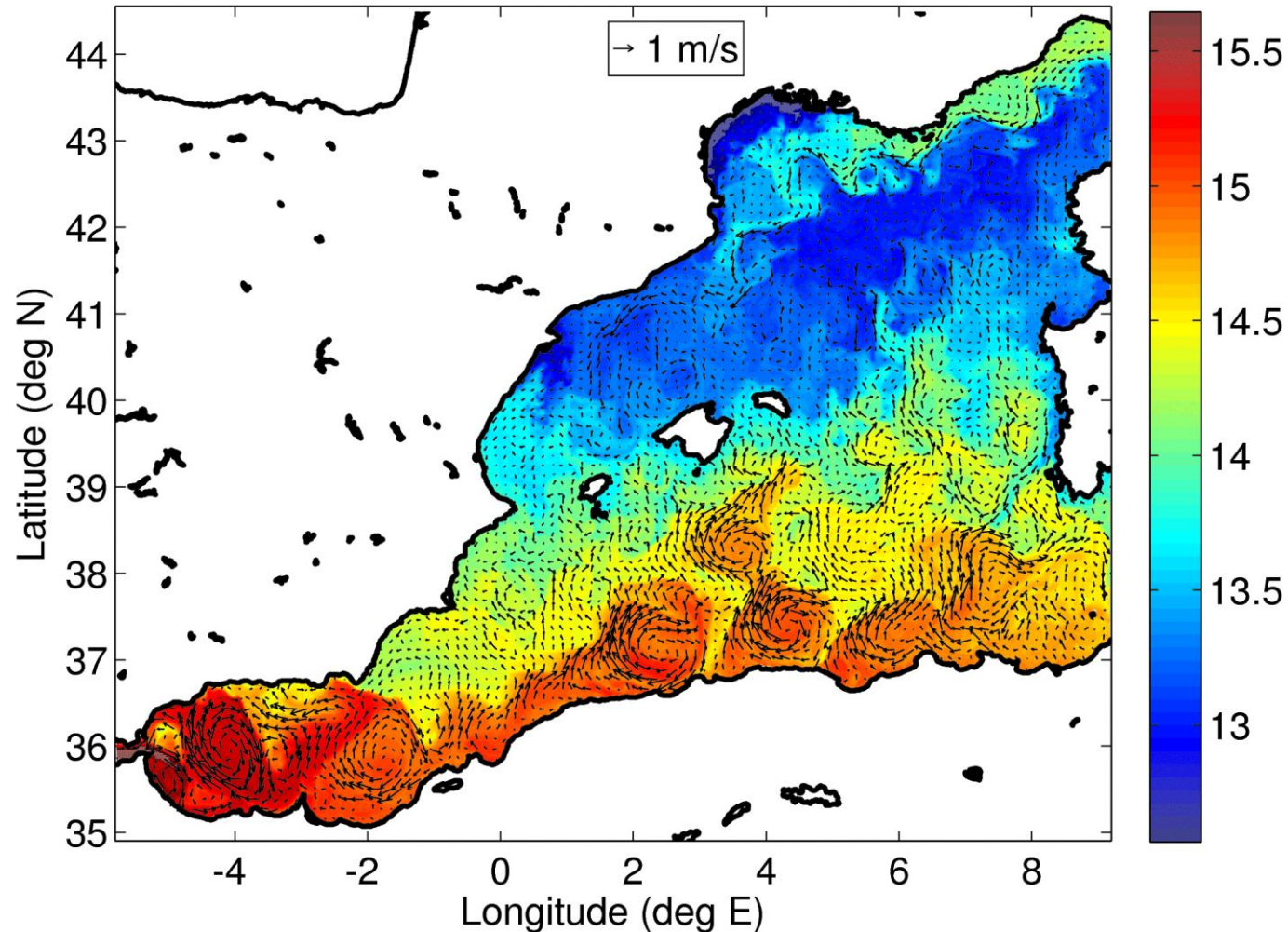
2) Exponentially increasing computing capacity



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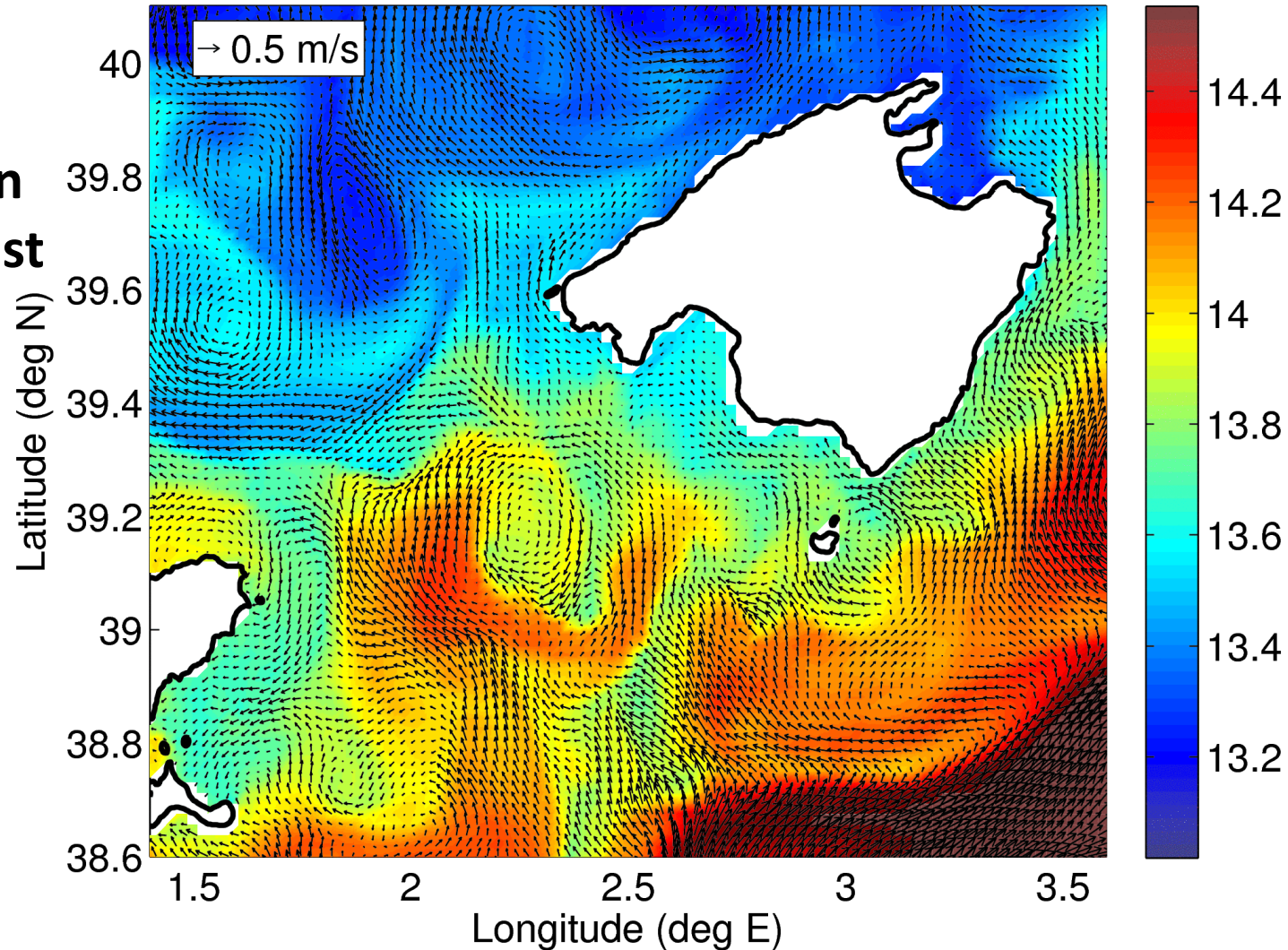
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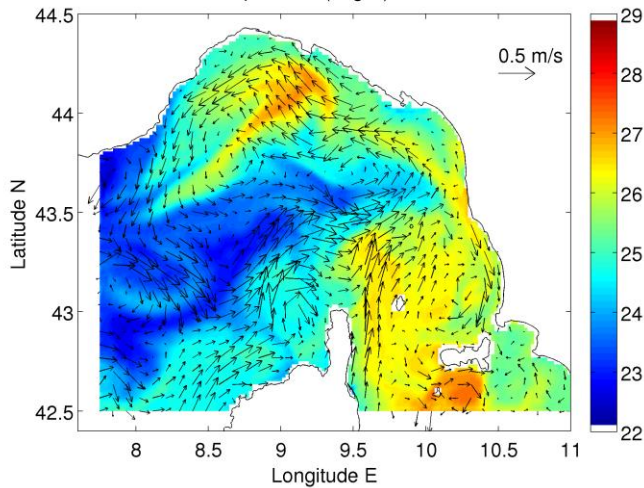
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Are these predictions reliable ?

NRL NCOM1 Forecast

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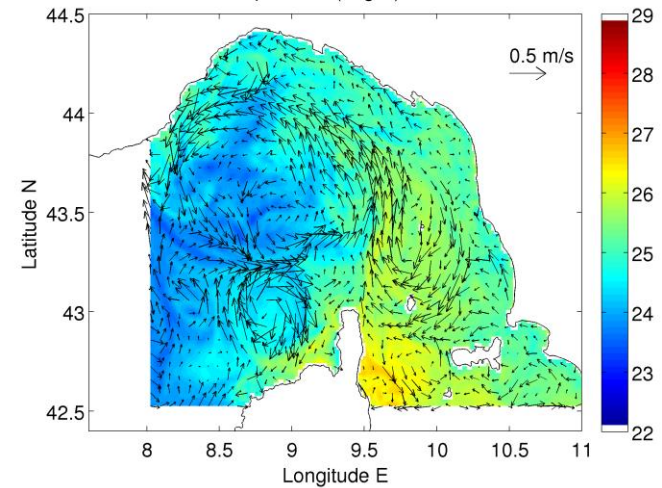
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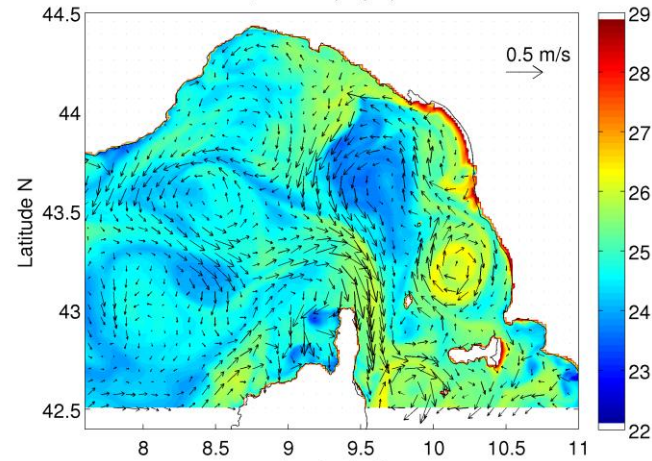
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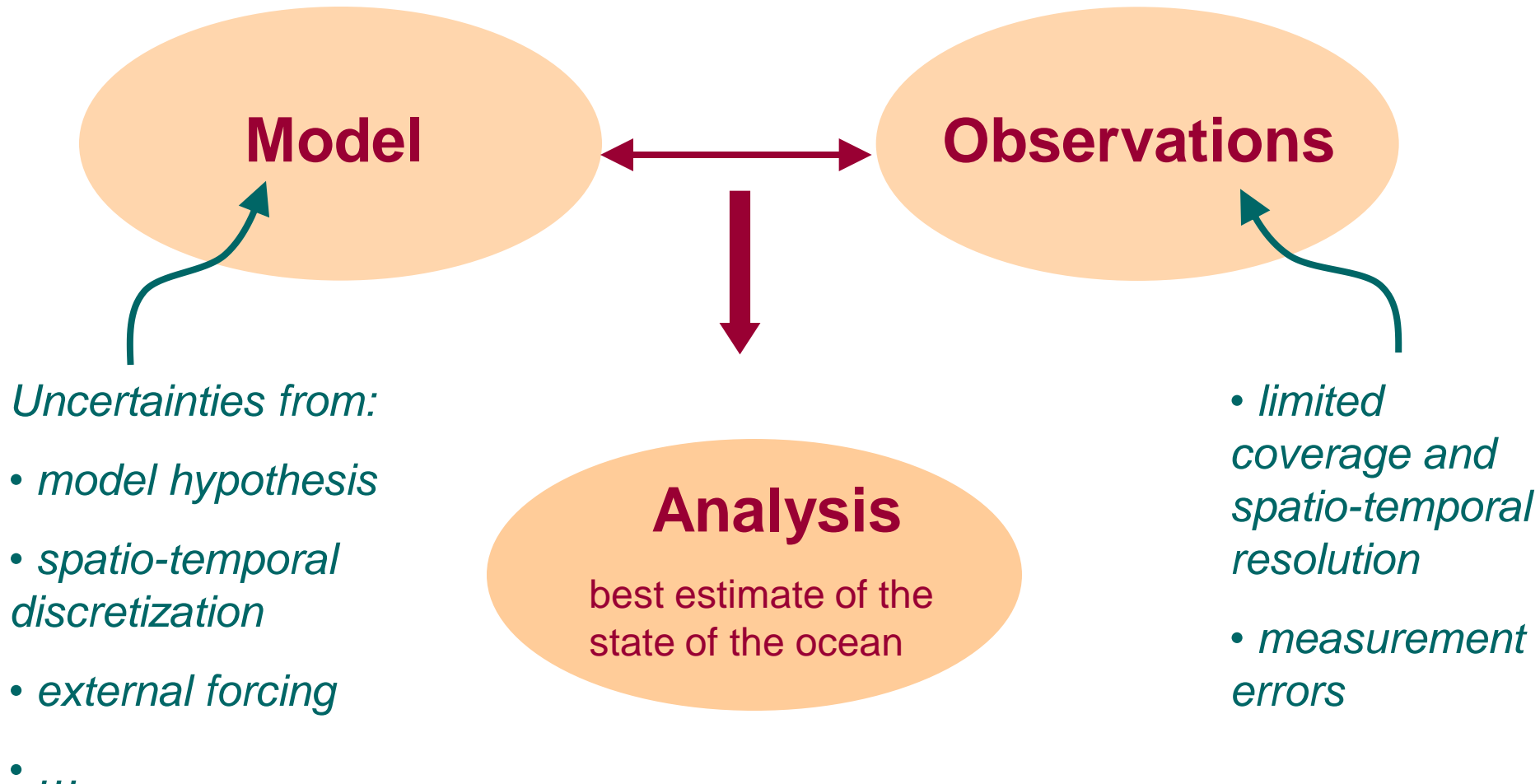
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Introduction: data assimilation

Need for data assimilation !



Introduction: observations

Ocean observations:

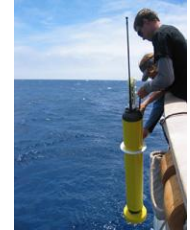
Satellite



Ship-based CTDs



Profiling floats



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Moorings



Surface drifters

HF radar



Multi-platform observations,
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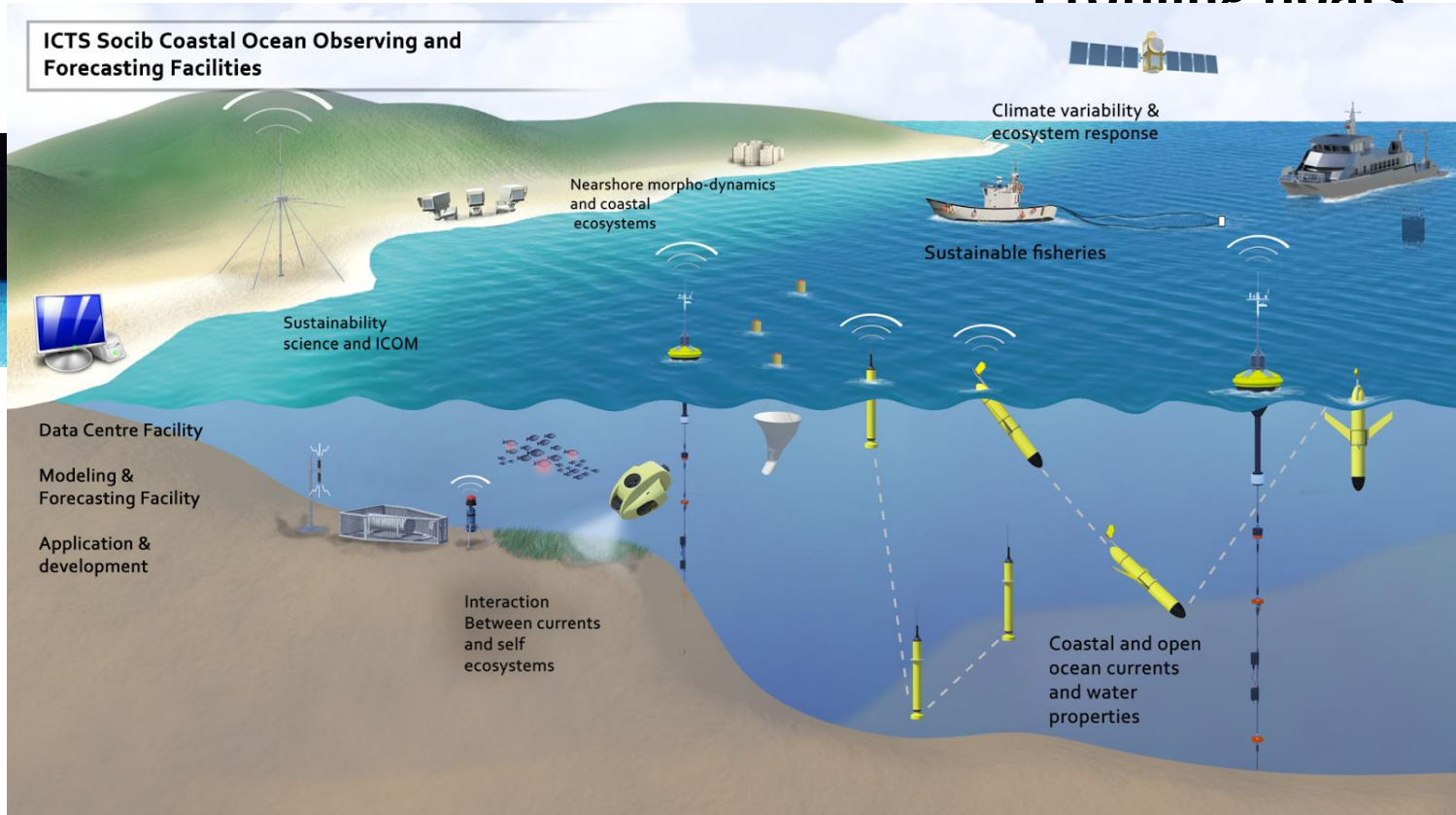
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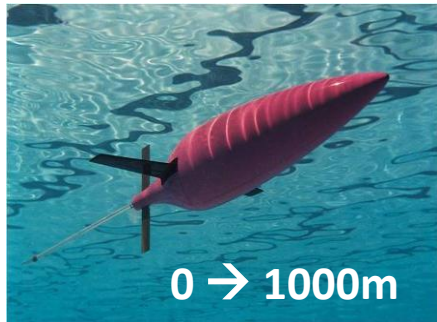


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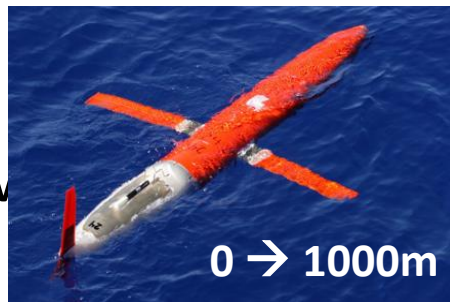
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underwater gliders

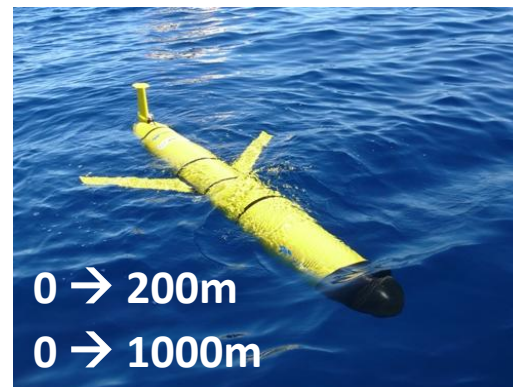
allow an autonomous, controllable,
cost-effective, long-duration,
high-spatial-resolution sampling of the
ocean in both coastal and deep environments



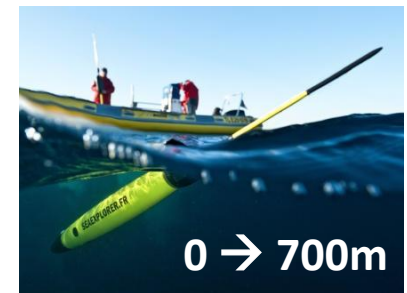
Seaglider



Spray



Slocum



SeaExplorer

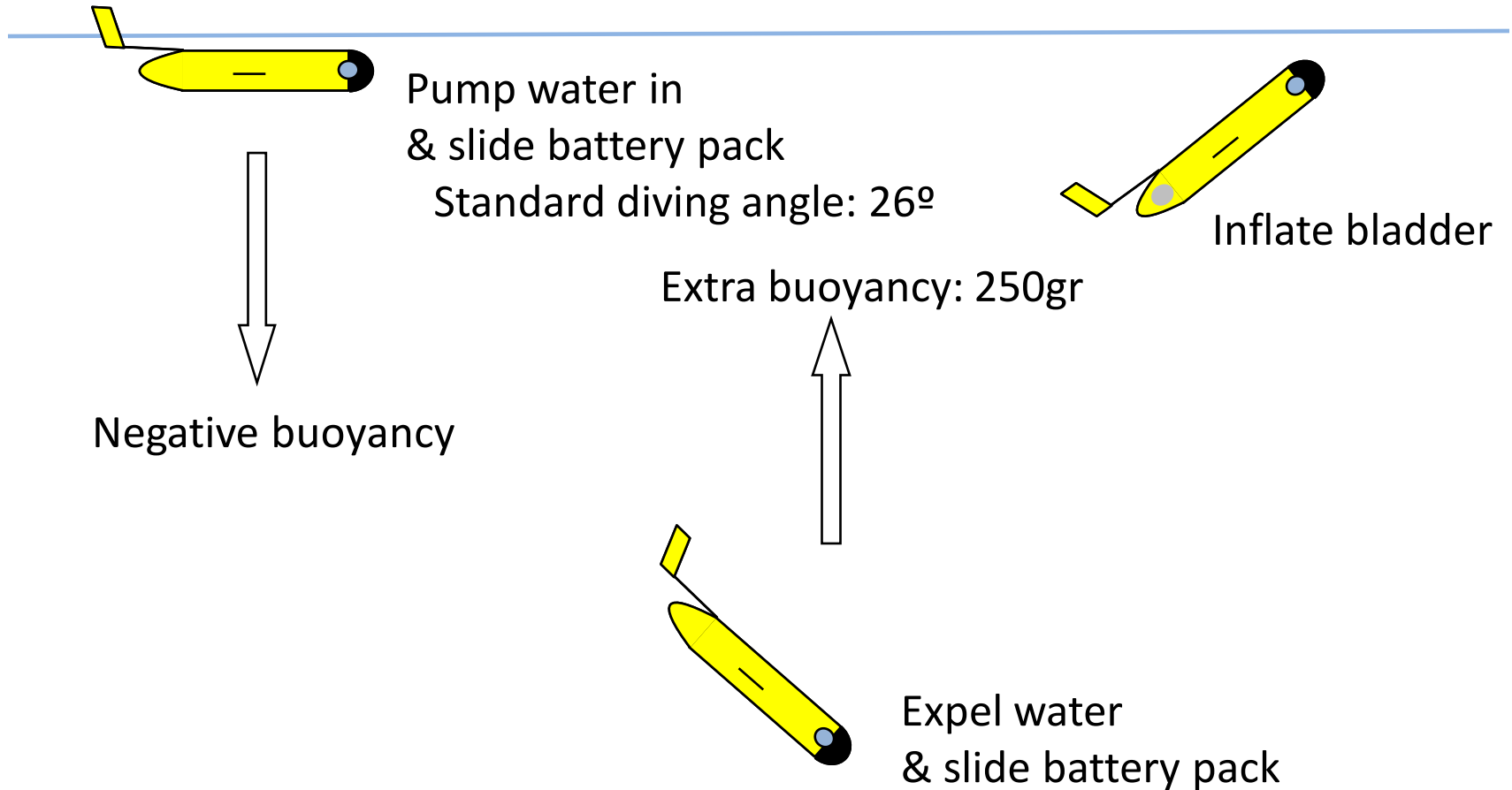
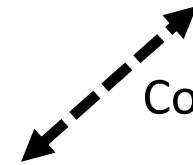
How does a Slocum glider work ?



Control Centre



Satellite
Communication
GPS



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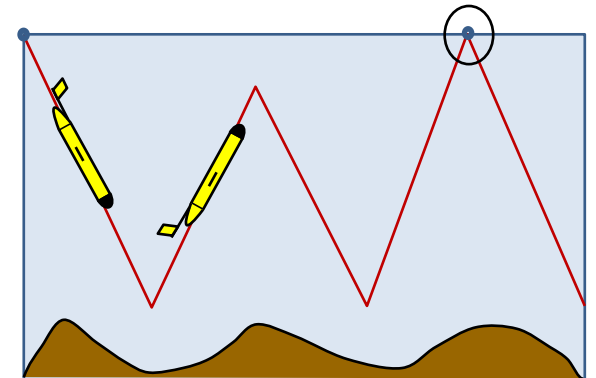


Horizontal distance ~ 800 m (for a 200-m dive)

Travel time ~ 45 min

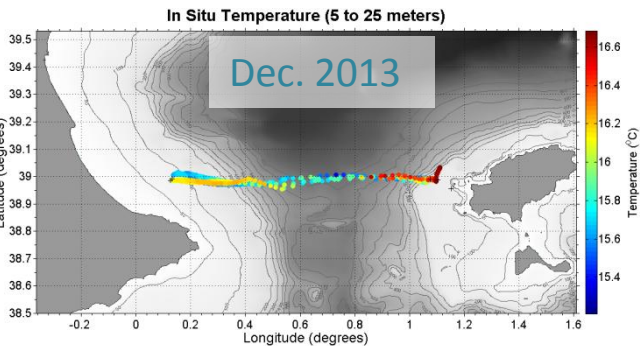
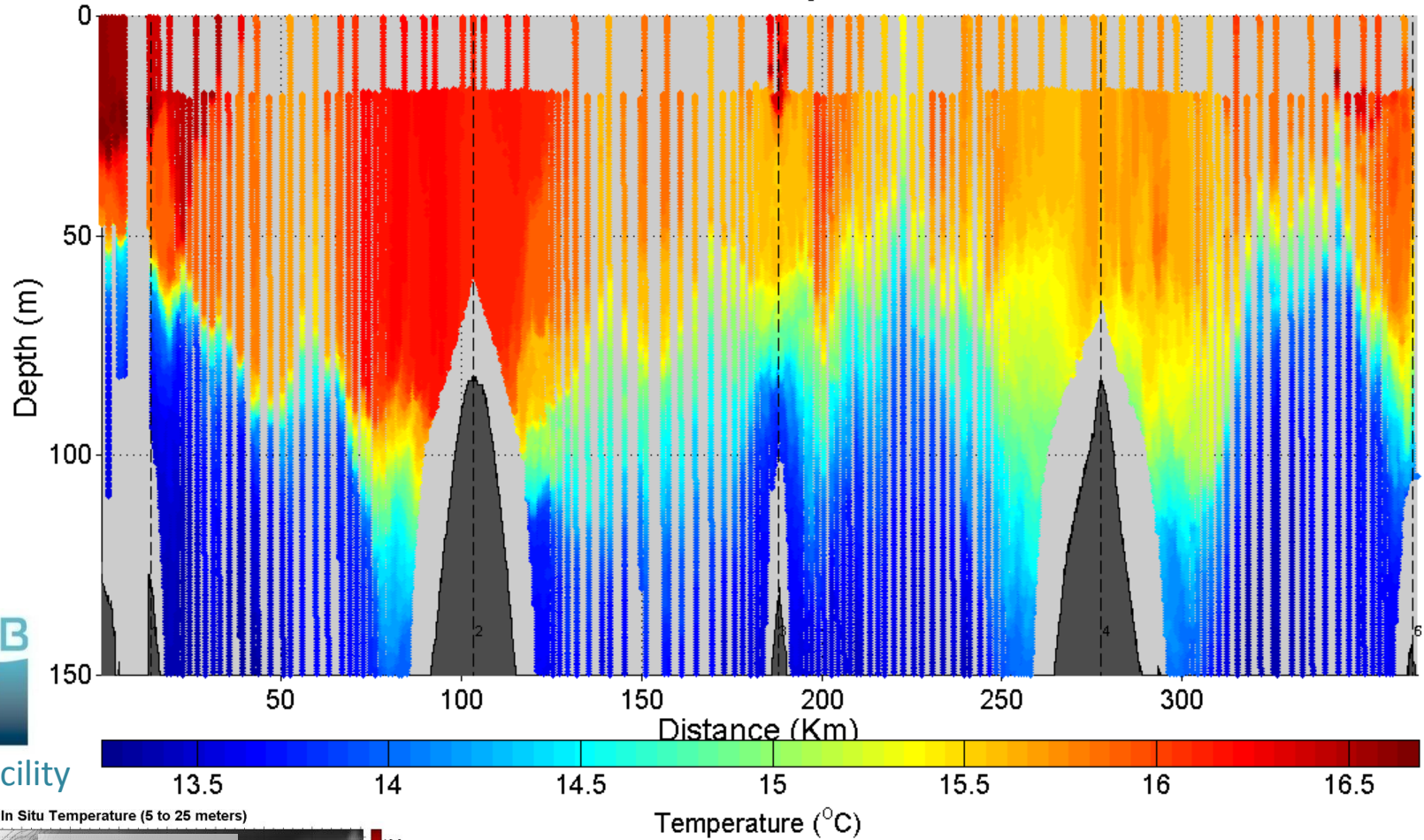
Horizontal speed 0.2-0.4 m/s

Vertical Speed 0.1-0.2 m/s

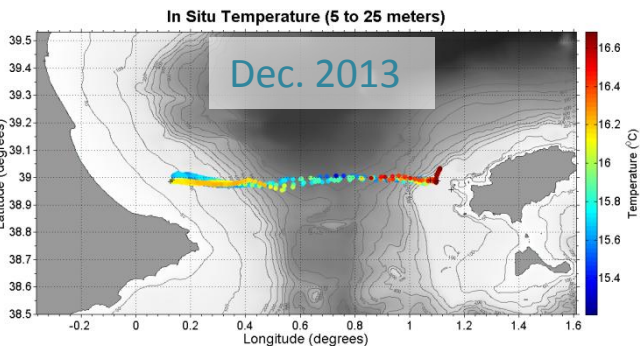
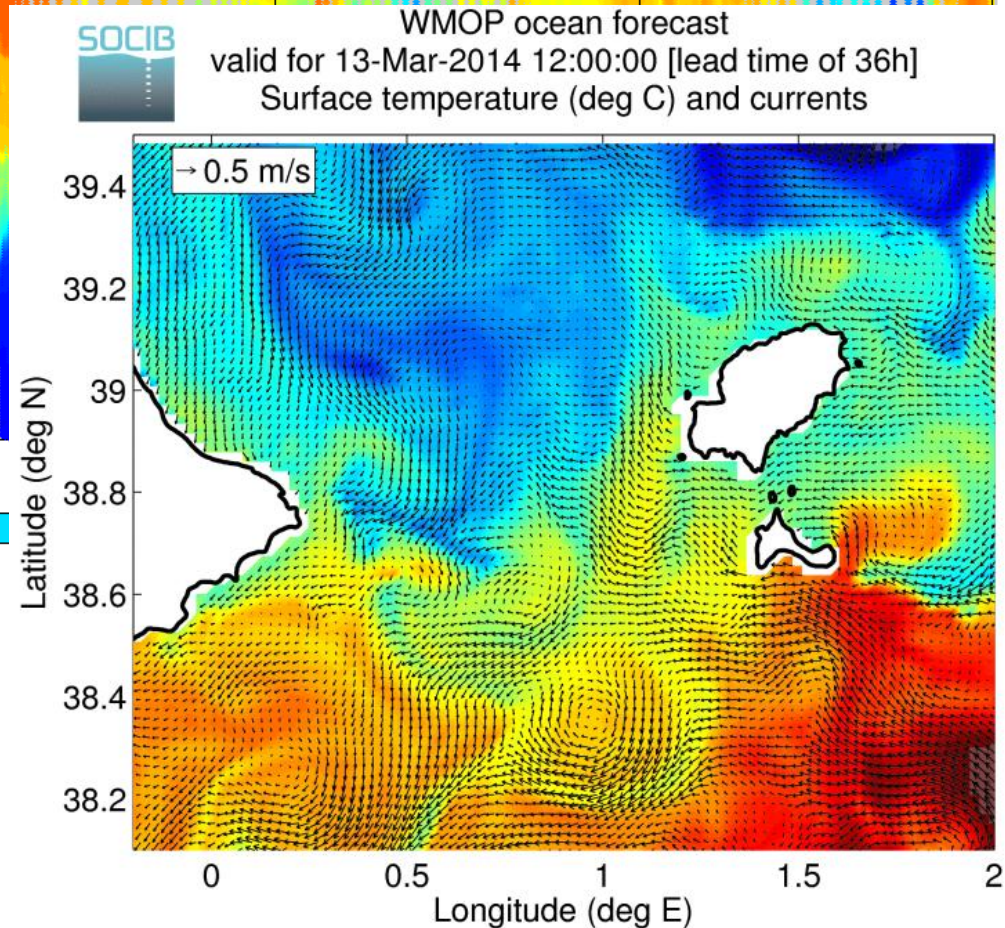
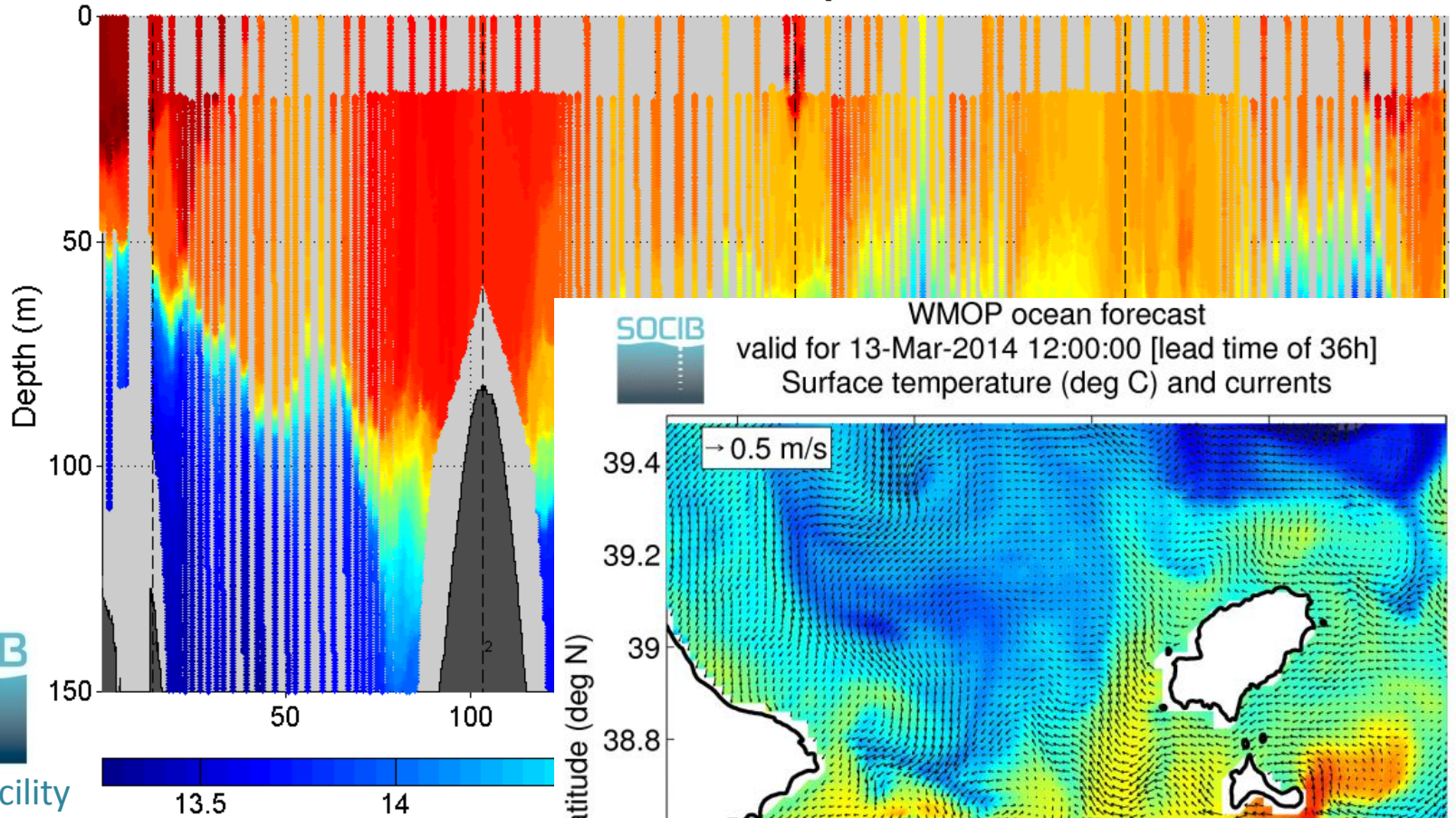


<http://followtheglider.com/>

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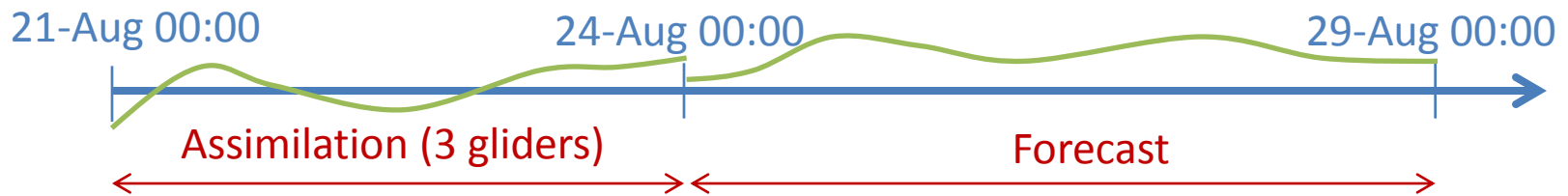
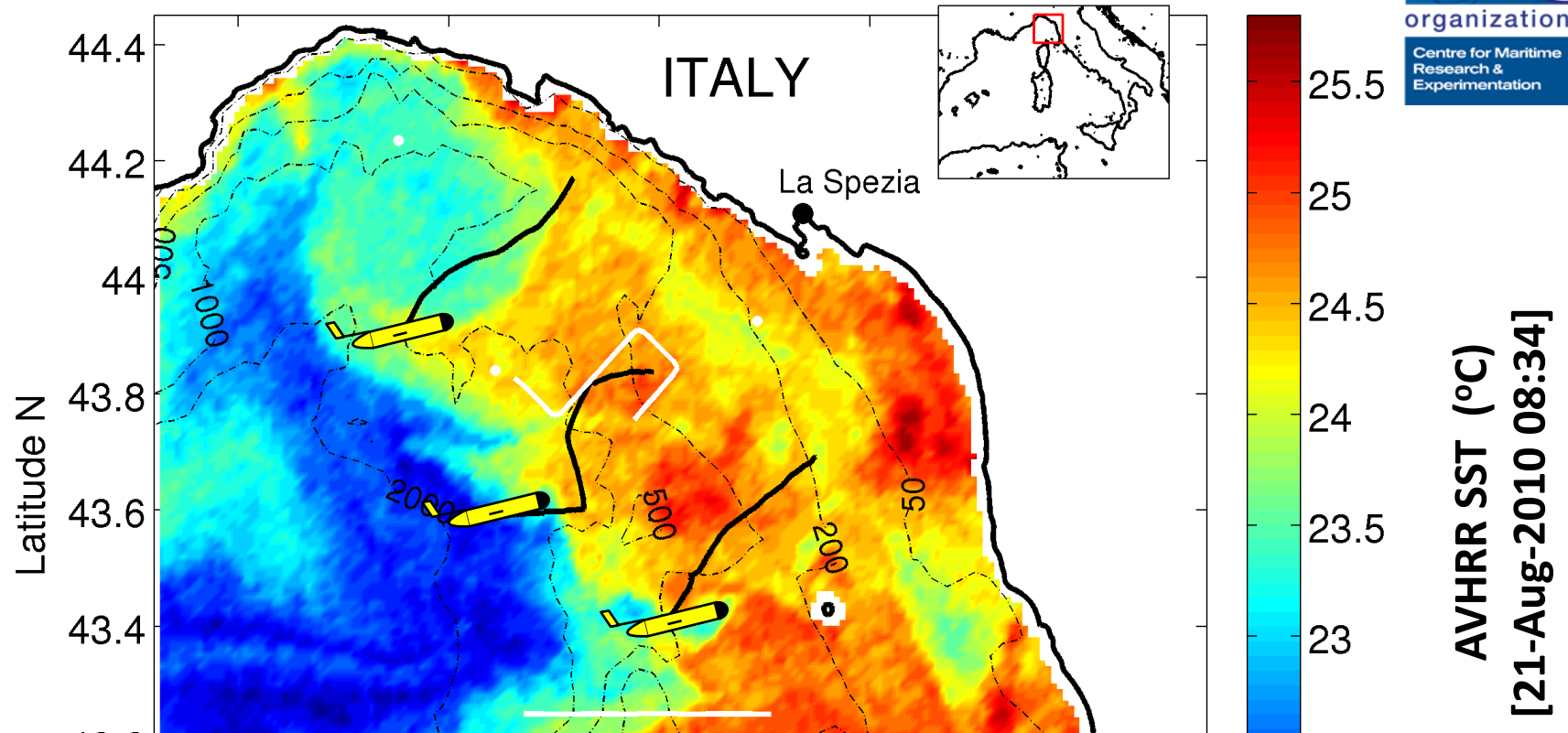
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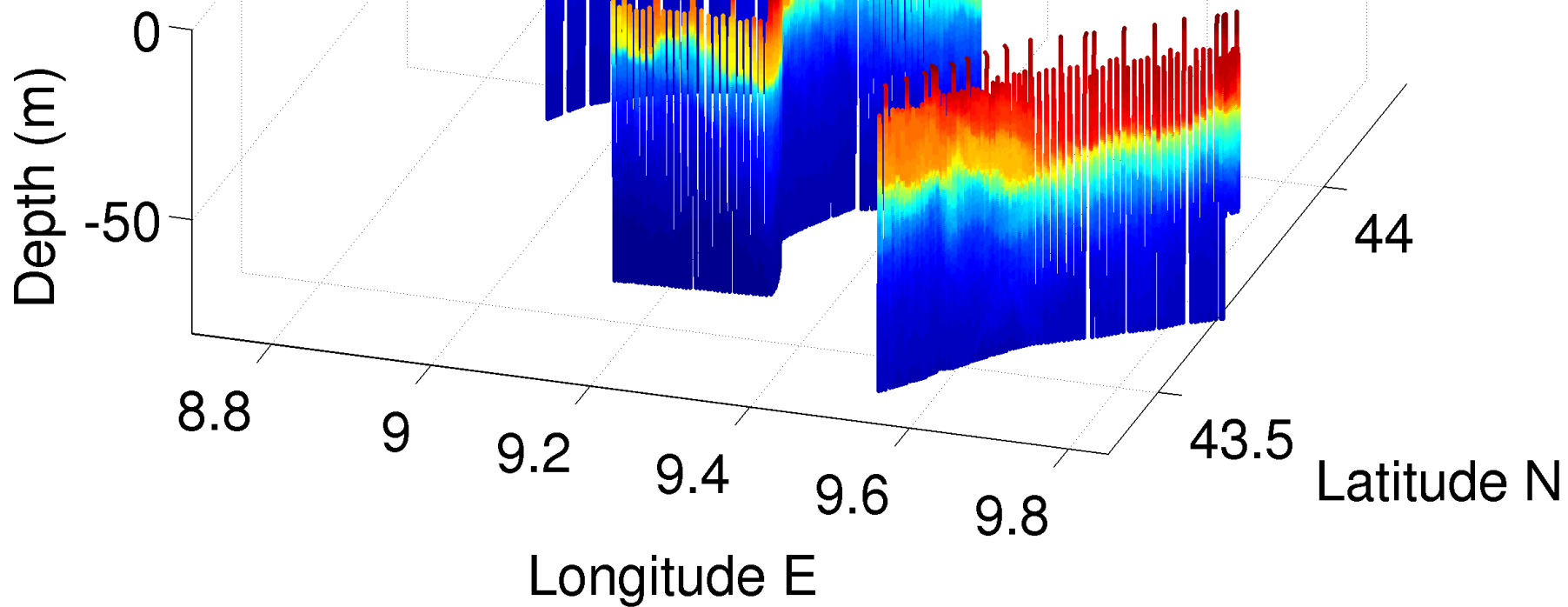
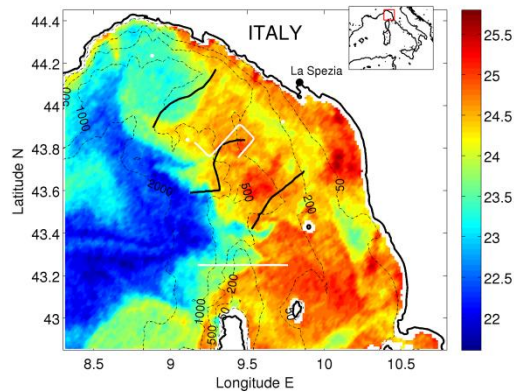
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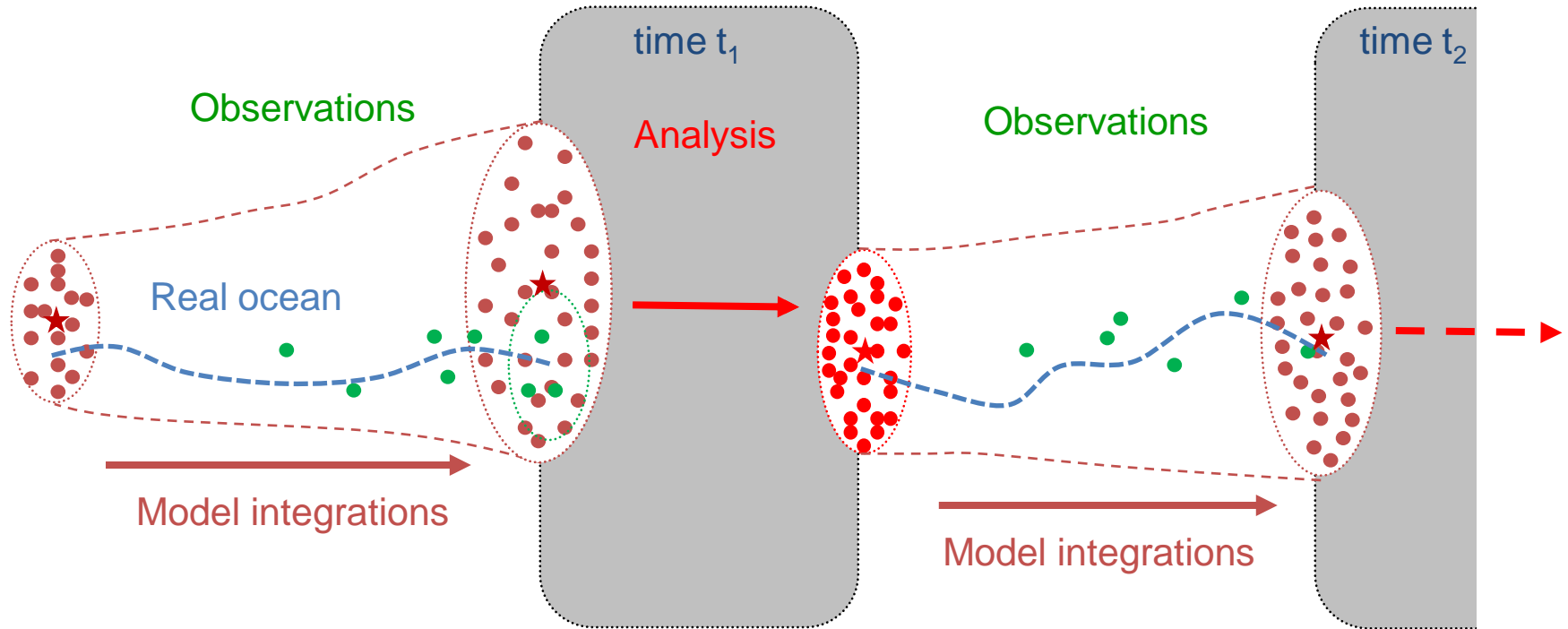
ROMS model with 1.8 km resolution.



Glider fleet data assimilation experiment

Data assimilation: ensemble Kalman filter

Ensemble of 96 simulations, including perturbations of the initial conditions, wind and lateral boundaries.

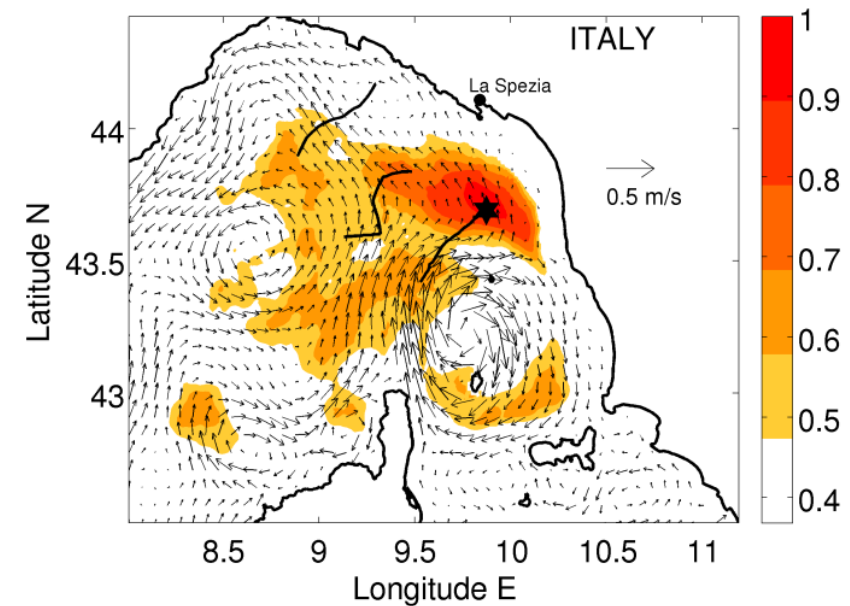
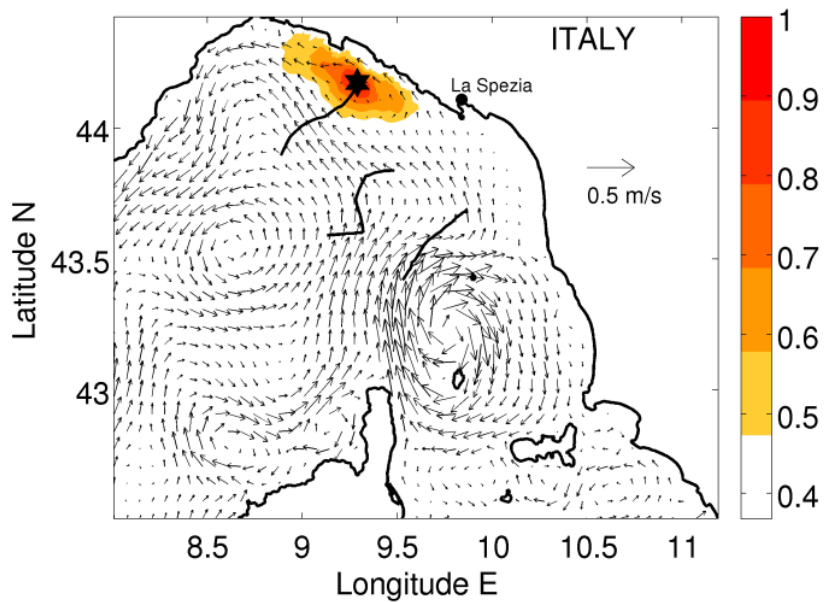
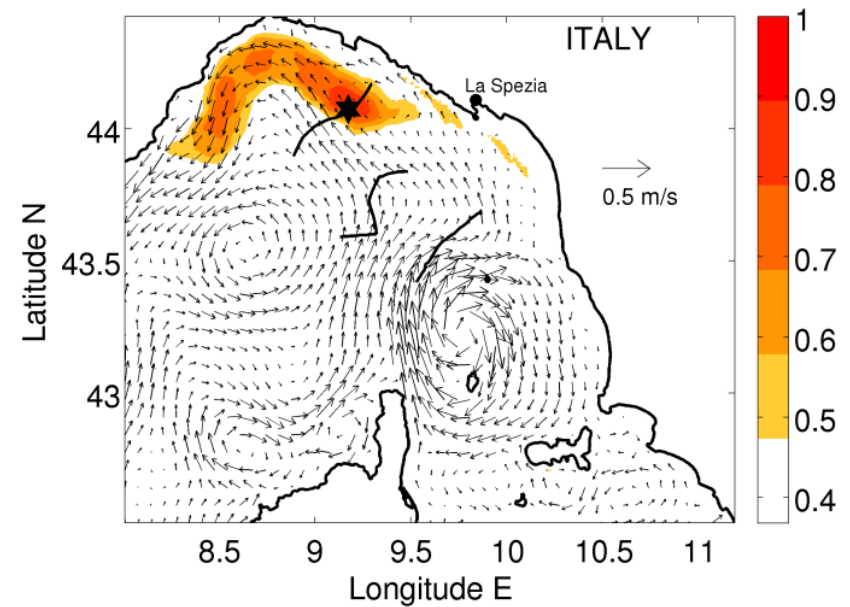
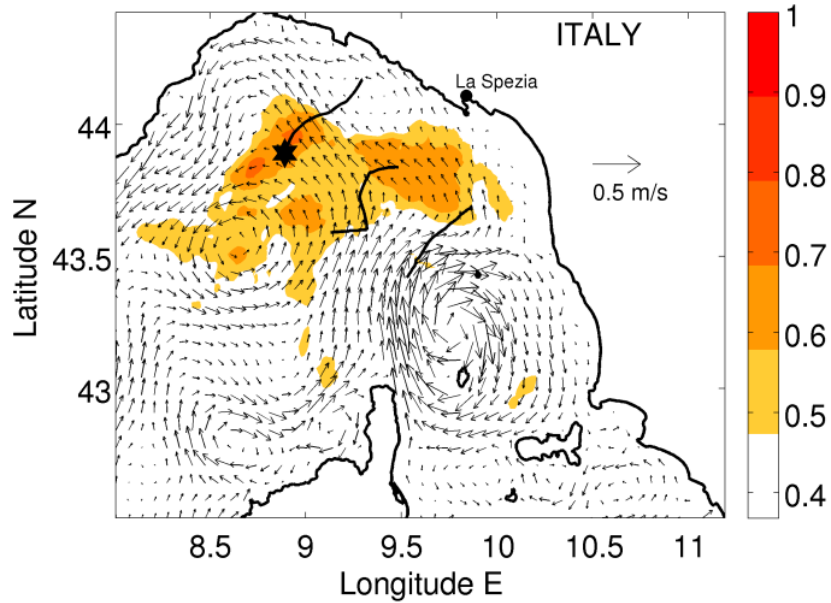


★ Ensemble mean: best estimate.

Ensemble spread: associated error.

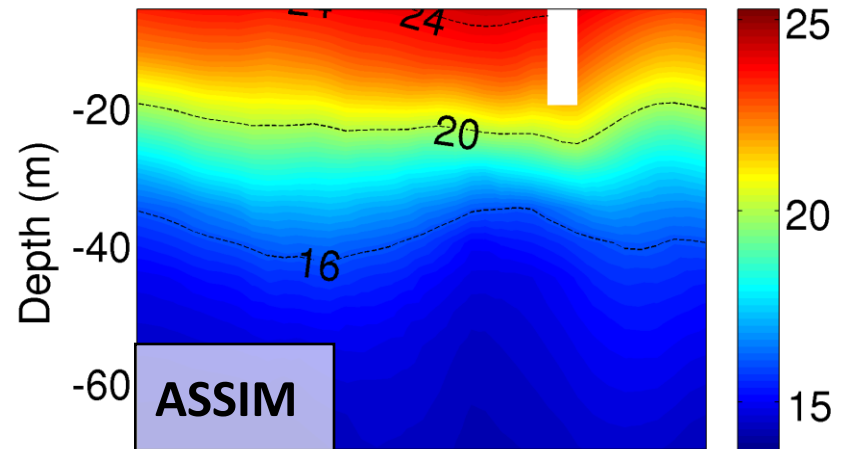
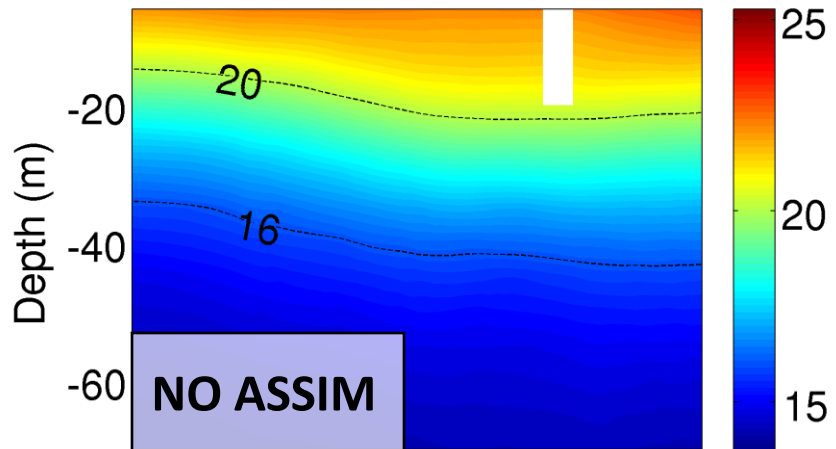
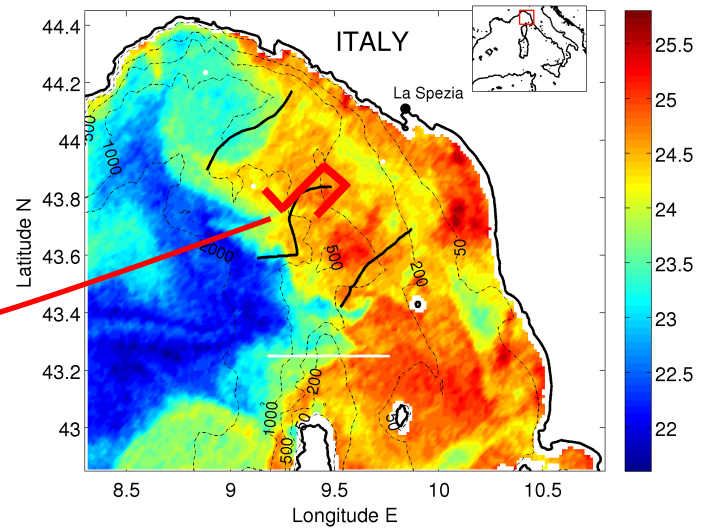
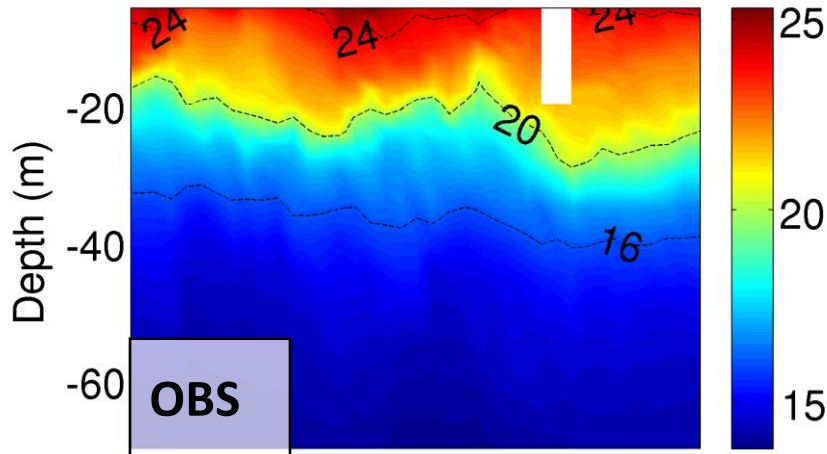
Ensemble covariances (spatio-temporal and multivariate):
used to correct non-observed areas/variables.

Temperature model error correlations at 20m



Glider fleet data assimilation experiment

Validation against Scanfish data



Distance along Scanfish transect (km)

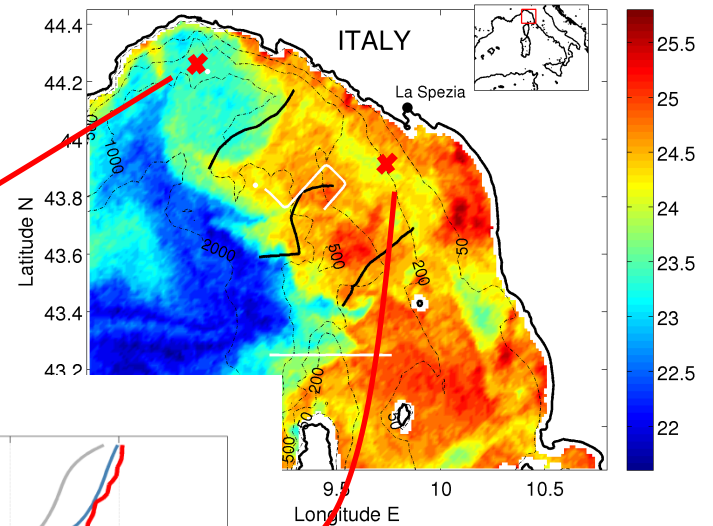
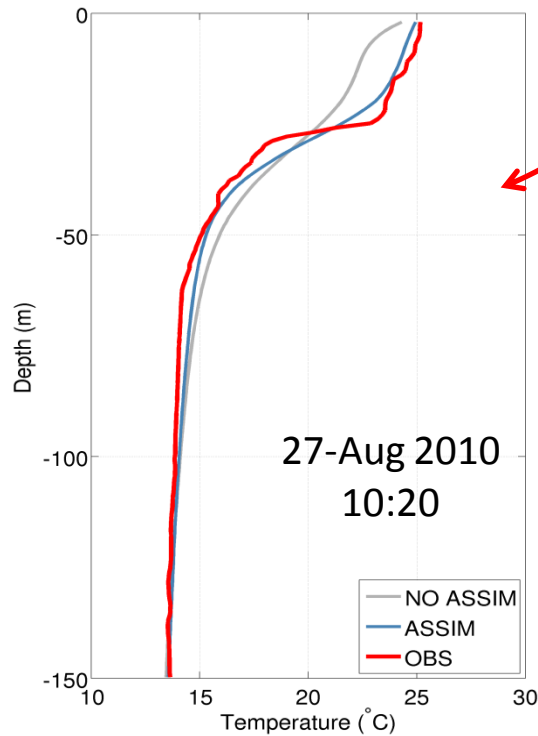
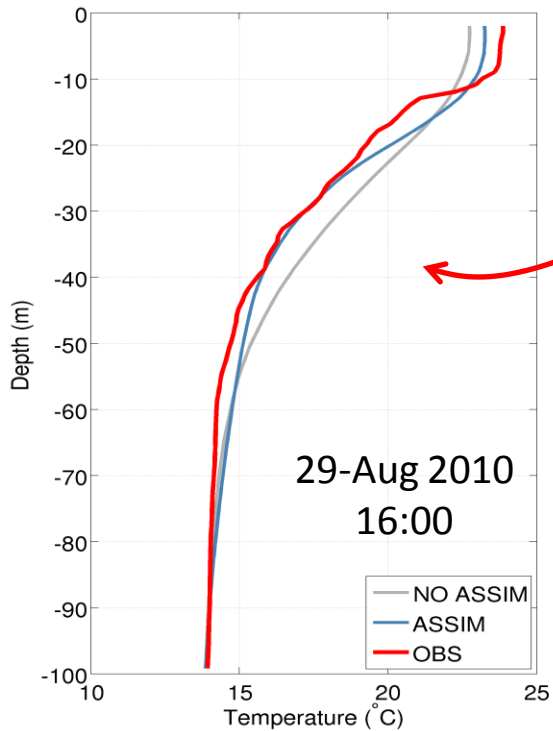
RMSE=1.10°C

Distance along Scanfish transect (km)

RMSE=0.84°C

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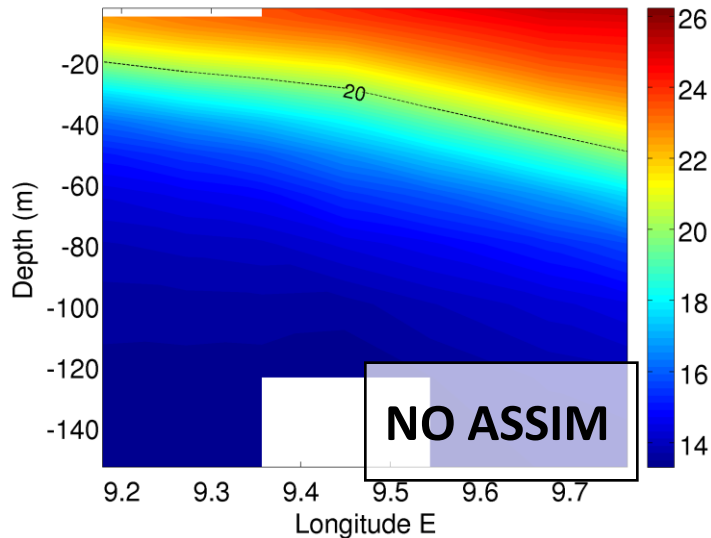
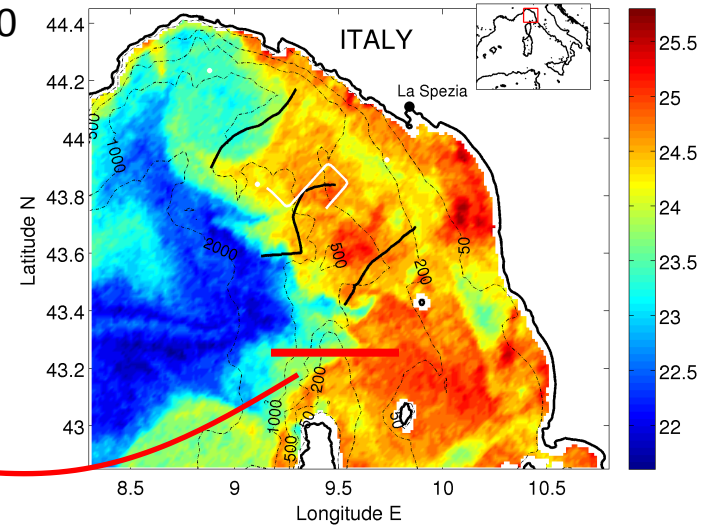
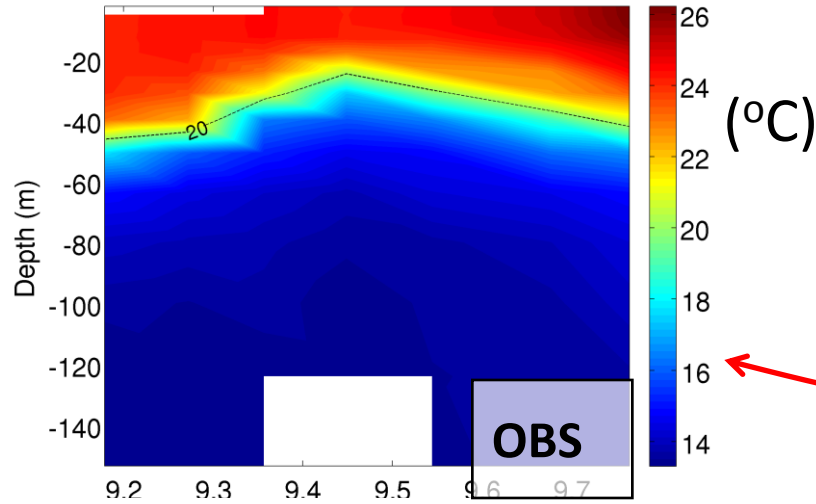
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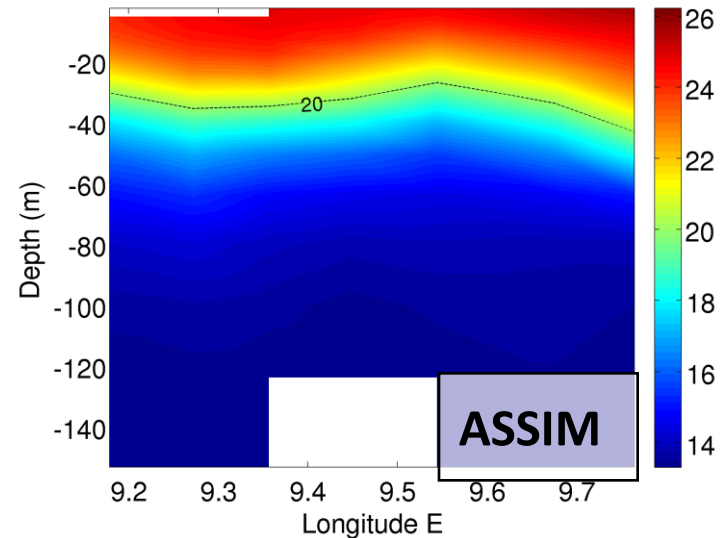
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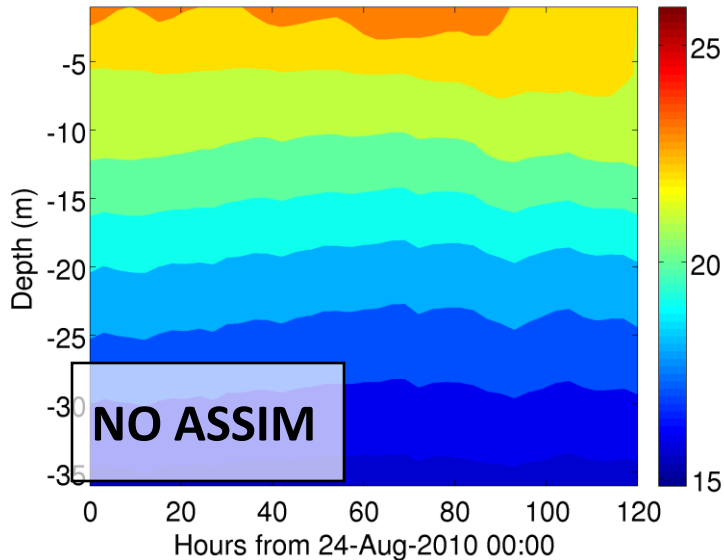
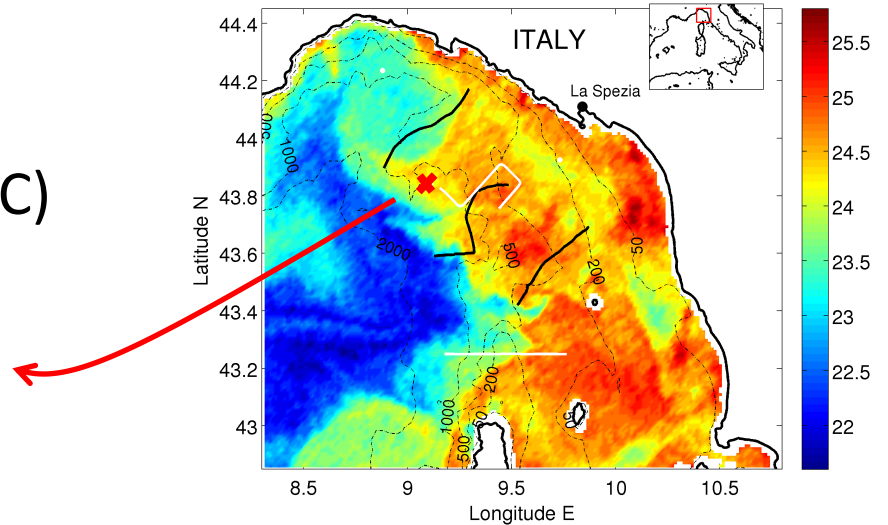
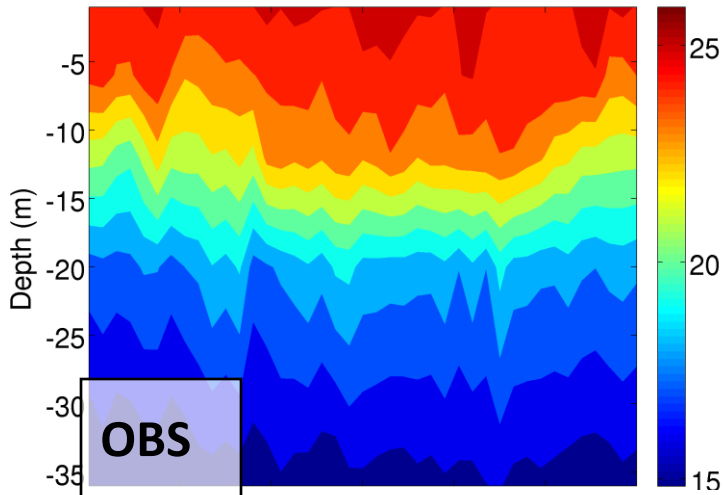
RMSE=1.95°C



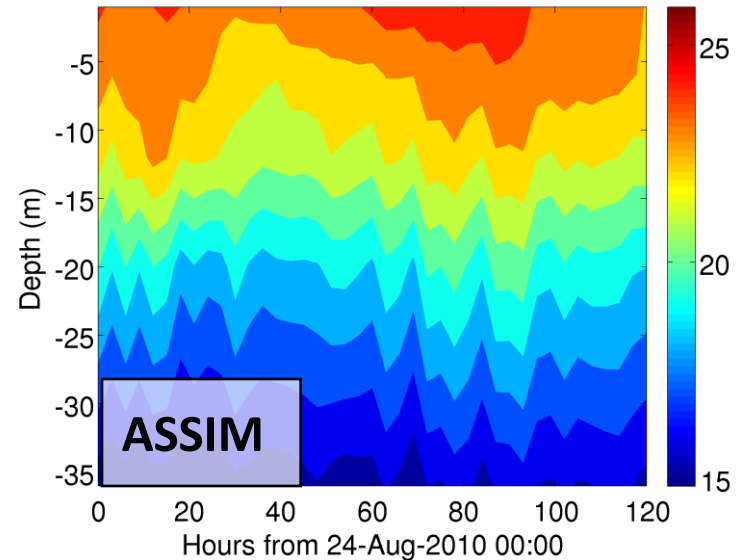
RMSE=1.16°C

Glider fleet data assimilation experiment

Validation at ODAS mooring



RMSE=1.66°C



RMSE=1.15°C

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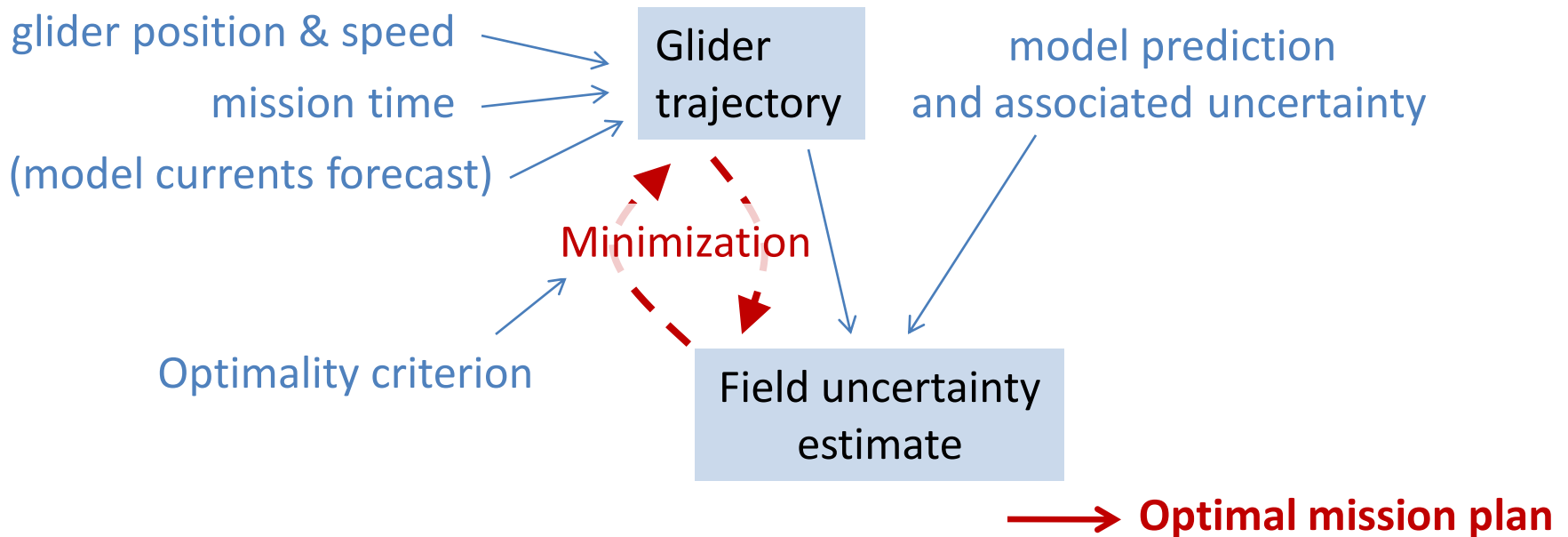
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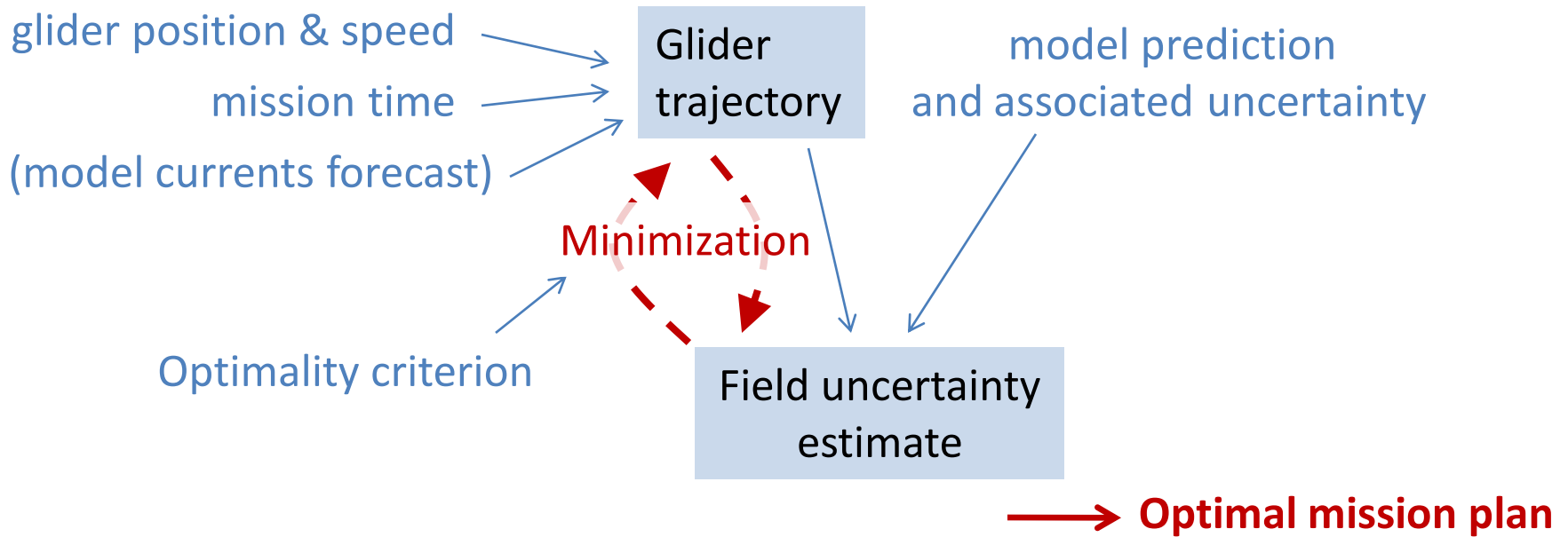
Adaptive sampling: concept

Two-way satellite communications: gliders are controllable !

The glider sampling can be adapted each time the glider communicates at the sea surface, so as to minimize the ocean model forecast uncertainty.



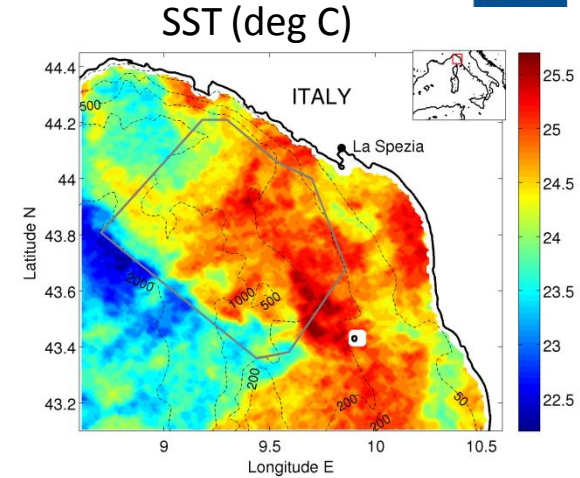
Adaptive sampling: concept



- Process aiming at defining **timely reachable** trajectories.
- During the mission, the glider surfaces several times between two waypoints and **corrects its heading** according to (i) its actual position and (ii) the estimation of the local oceanic current field deduced from the mismatch between the planned and actual positions of the platform.

Adaptive sampling: at-sea experiment

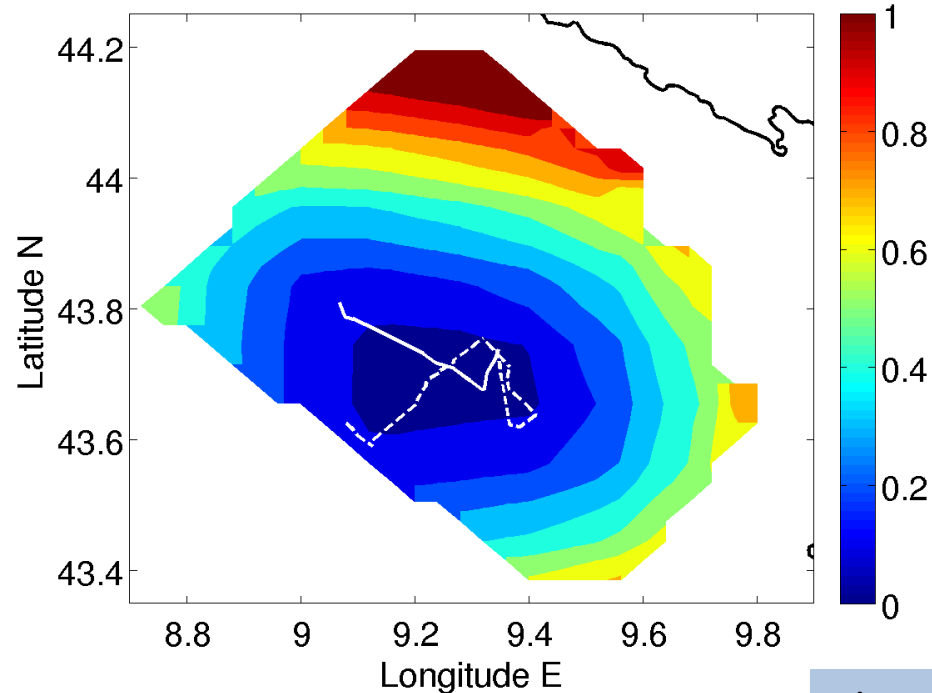
- (i) A first glider is piloted to reduce the model temperature uncertainties (here 3DSE) in a limited area of the Ligurian Sea during three 48-hour cycles from 20 to 26 August 2010.
- (ii) During the same period, a second glider flies in the same area but without any adaptive sampling control.
- (iii) Two model forecasts are produced assimilating either the first or second glider.
- (iv) Independent data from CTDs, gliders, ship surface CTD, Scanfish and ODAS mooring are used to evaluate the forecasts.



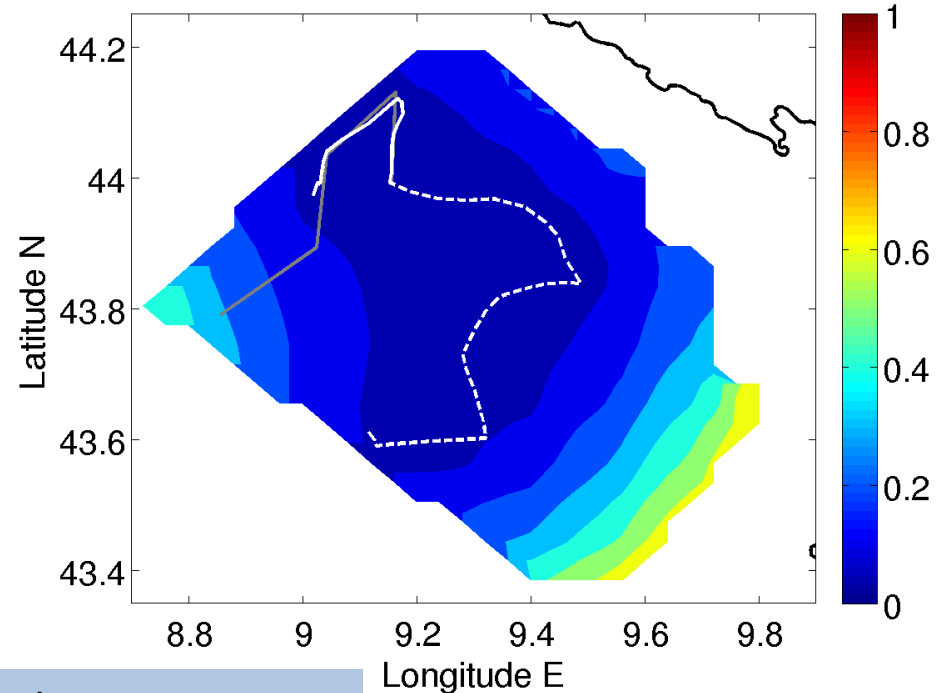
Adaptive sampling: at-sea experiment

Model predicted uncertainty ($^{\circ}\text{C}$) [26-28 August]

No adaptive sampling [26 - 28 August]



Adaptive sampling [26 - 28 August]



Mean value: **0.42 $^{\circ}\text{C}$**

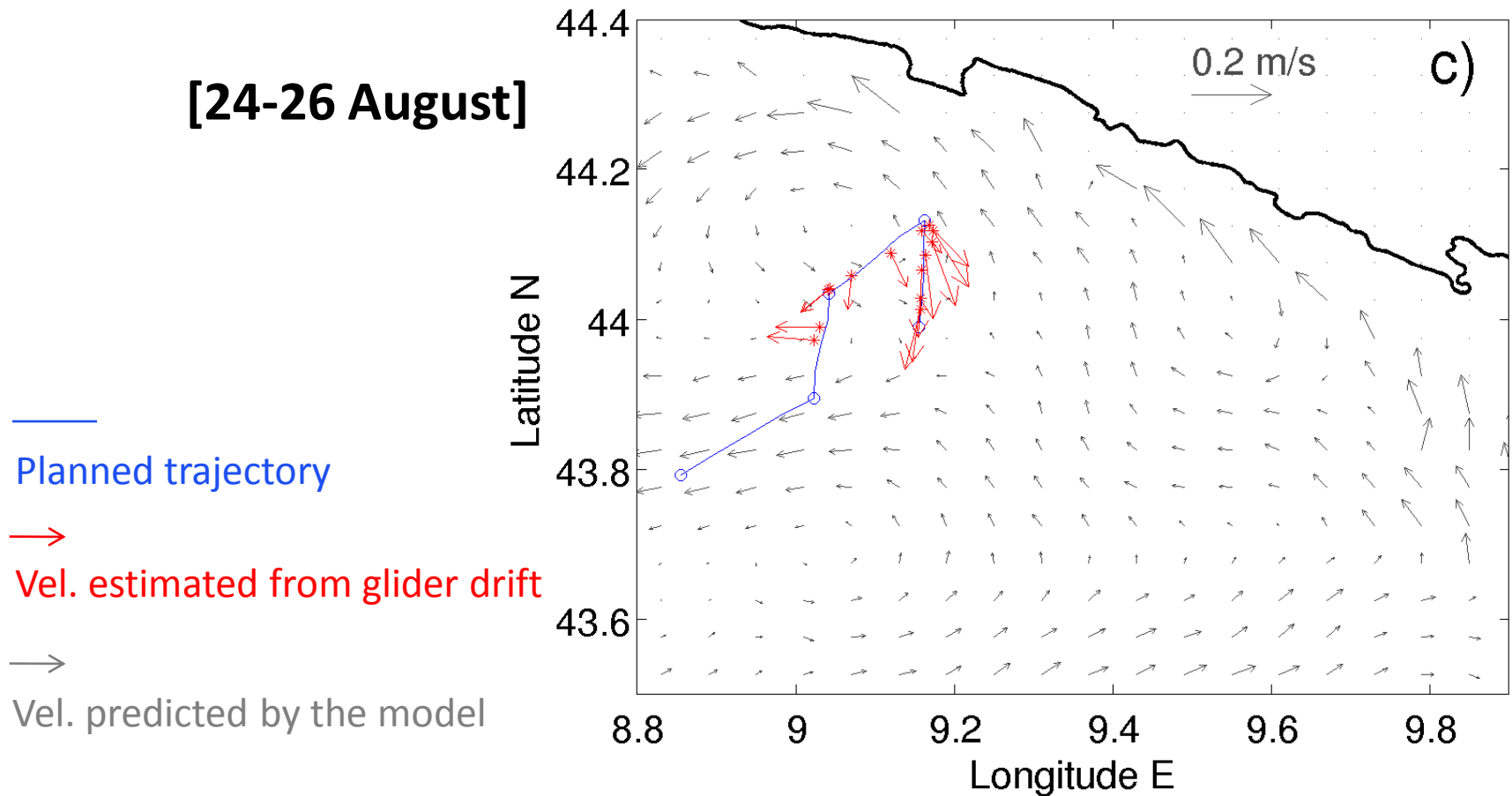
Planned trajectory —
Real trajectory —

0.19 $^{\circ}\text{C}$

Reduction of the predicted uncertainty with adaptive sampling

Adaptive sampling: at-sea experiment

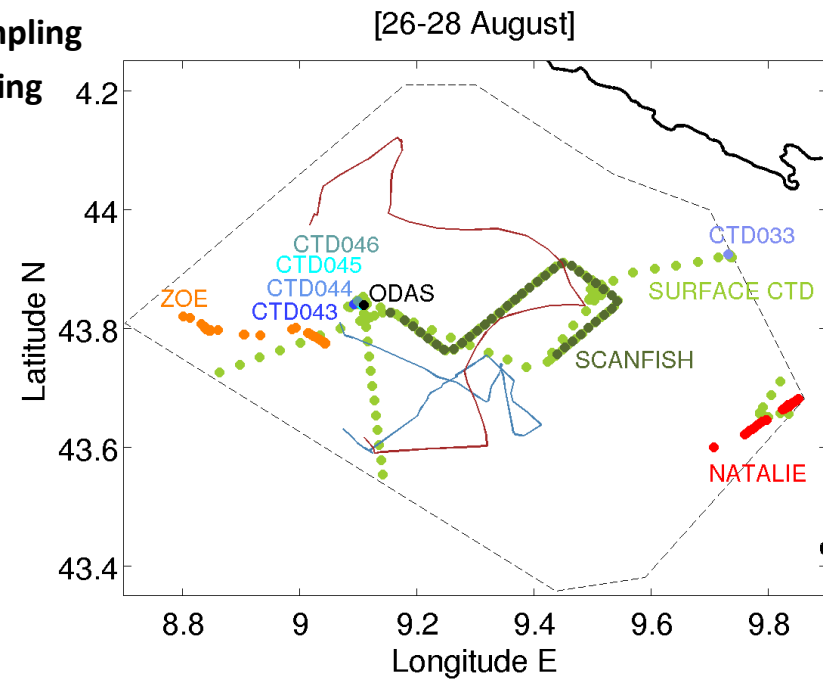
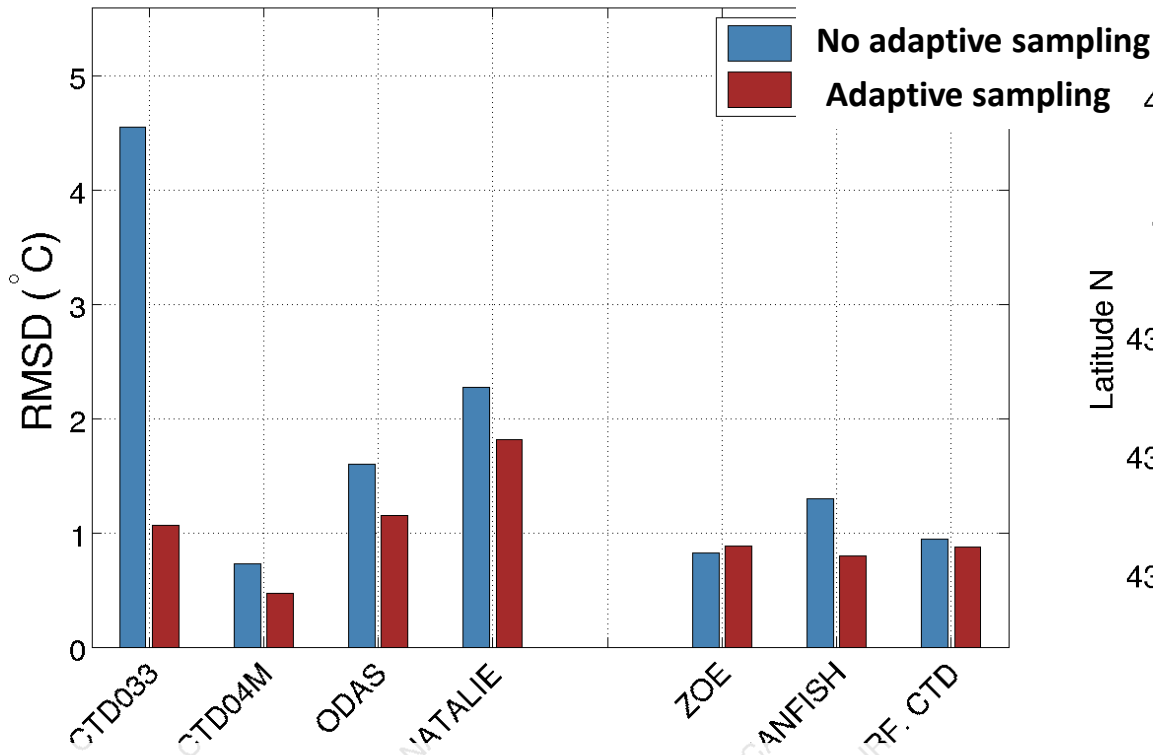
Significant errors in the predicted ocean currents prevented the glider from completing the planned trajectories.



Adaptive sampling: at-sea experiment

Root-Mean-Square Differences between model predictions and observations (temperature)

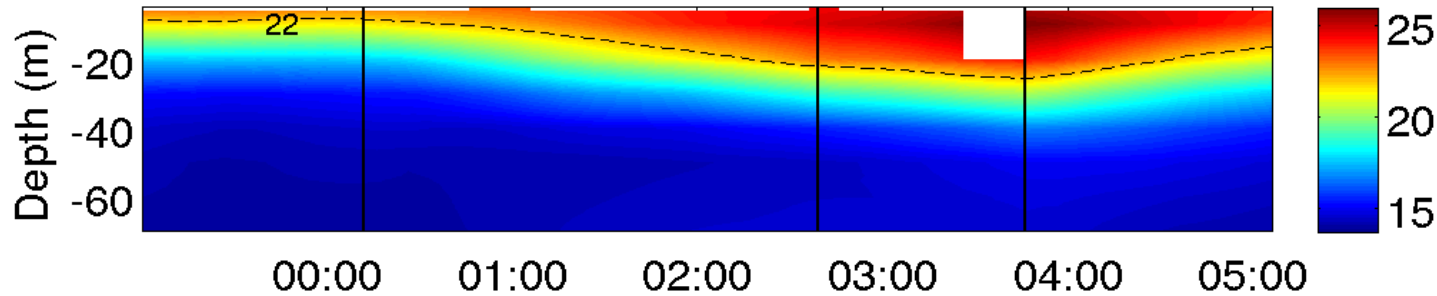
[26-28 August]



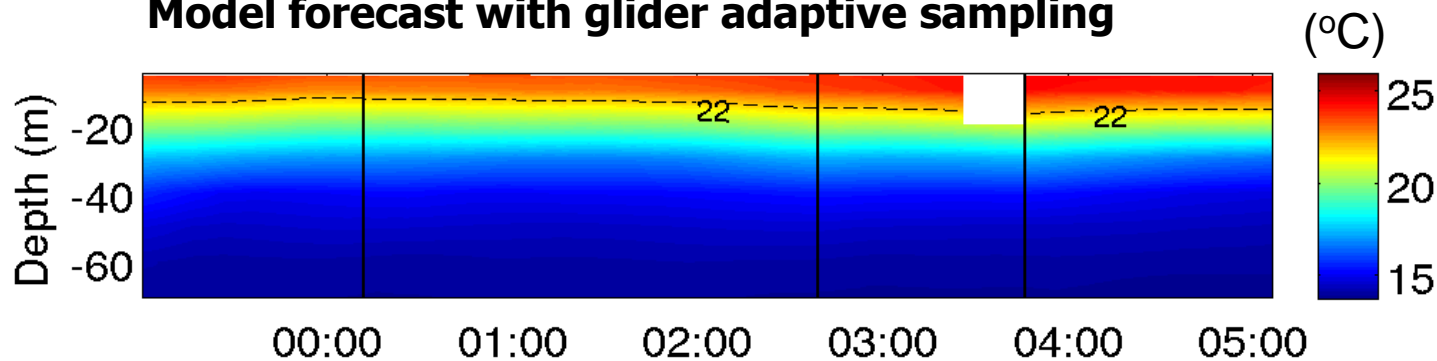
Reduction of the temperature error with adaptive sampling
(total error reduced by 18%)

Adaptive sampling: at-sea experiment

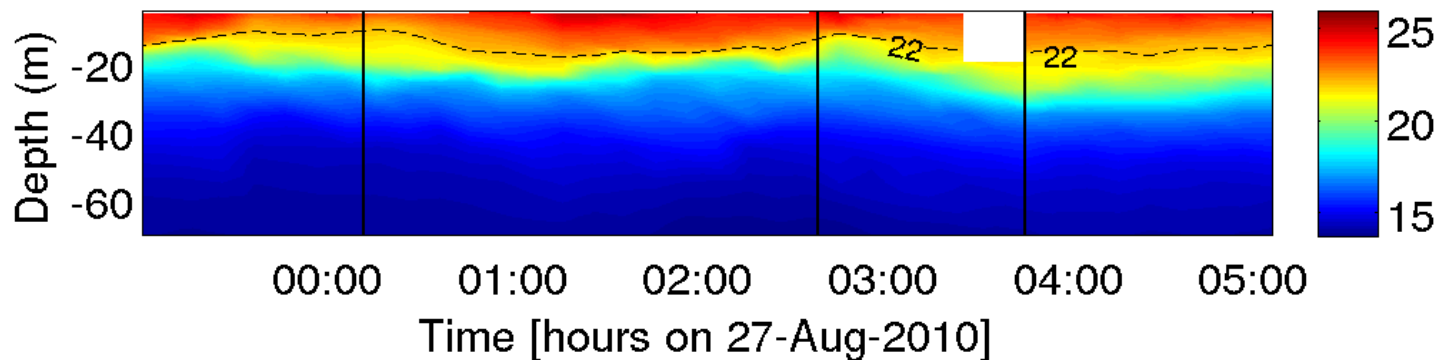
Model forecast without glider adaptive sampling



Model forecast with glider adaptive sampling



ScanFish observations

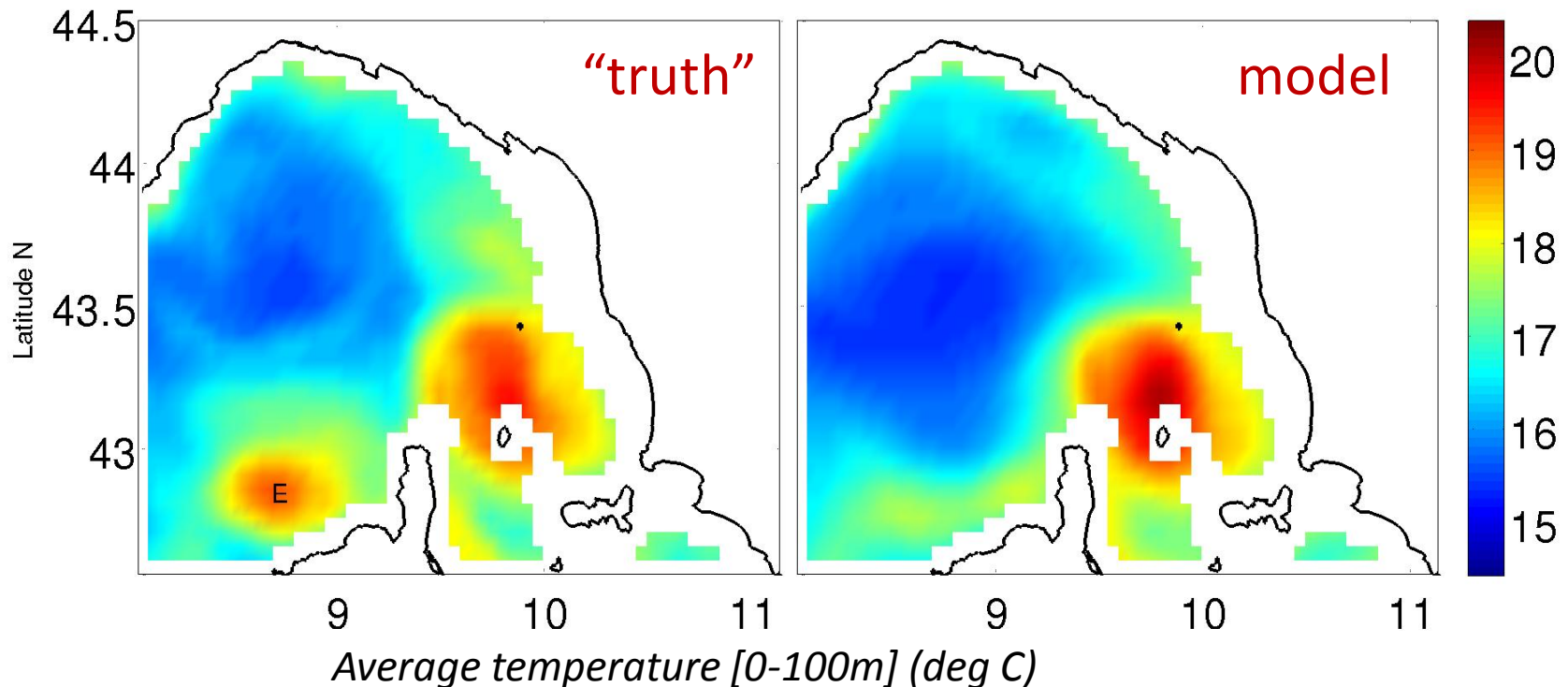


Adaptive sampling: OSSEs

OSSEs: Observing System Simulation Experiments

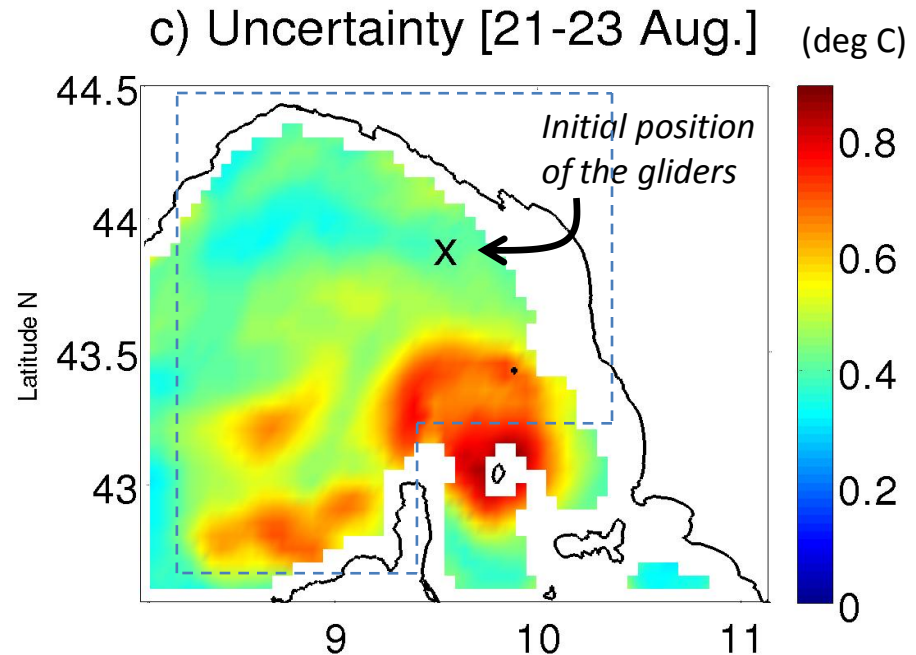
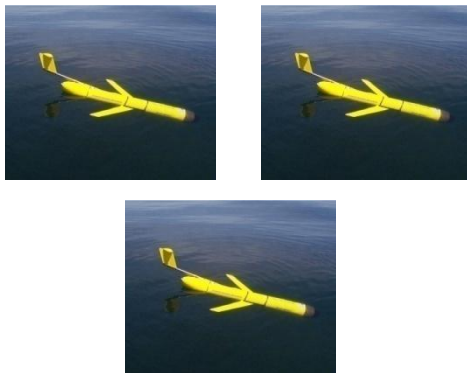
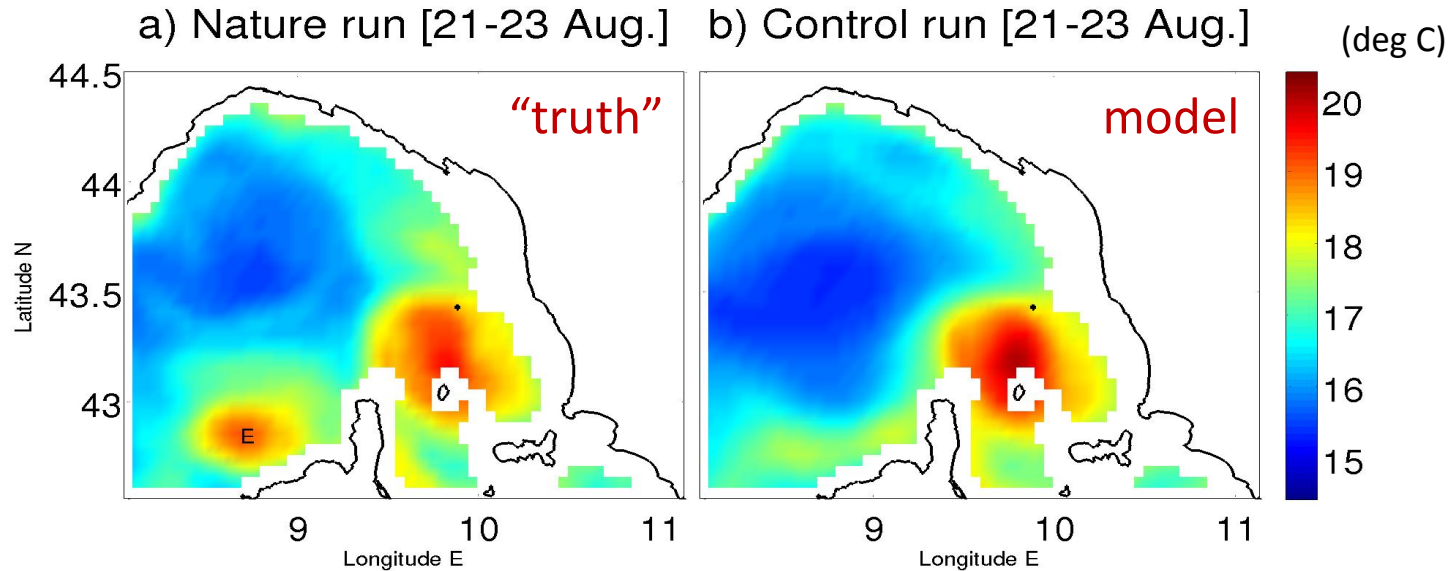
→ evaluate the potential contribution of observations to model forecasts

a) Nature run [21-23 Aug.] b) Control run [21-23 Aug.]

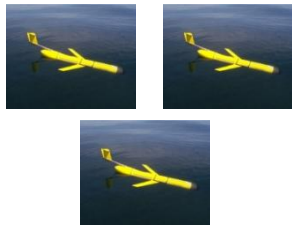


Observations simulated from the “truth” and assimilated in the control simulation.

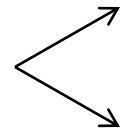
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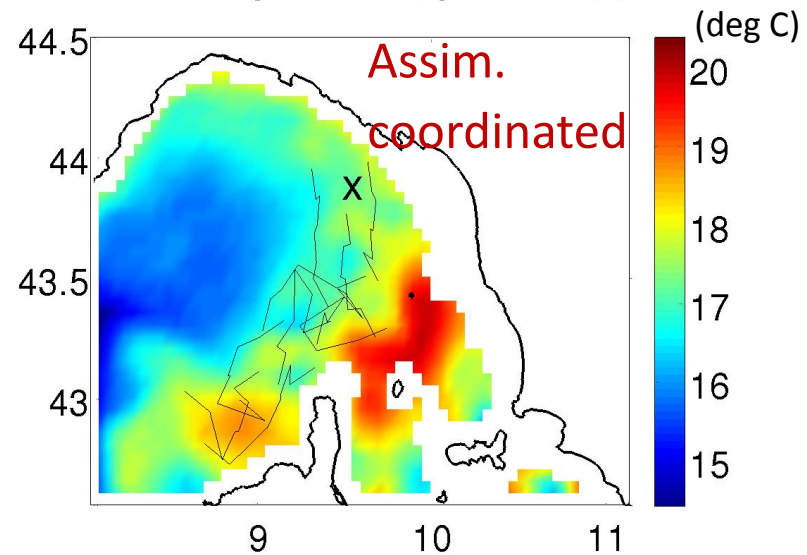
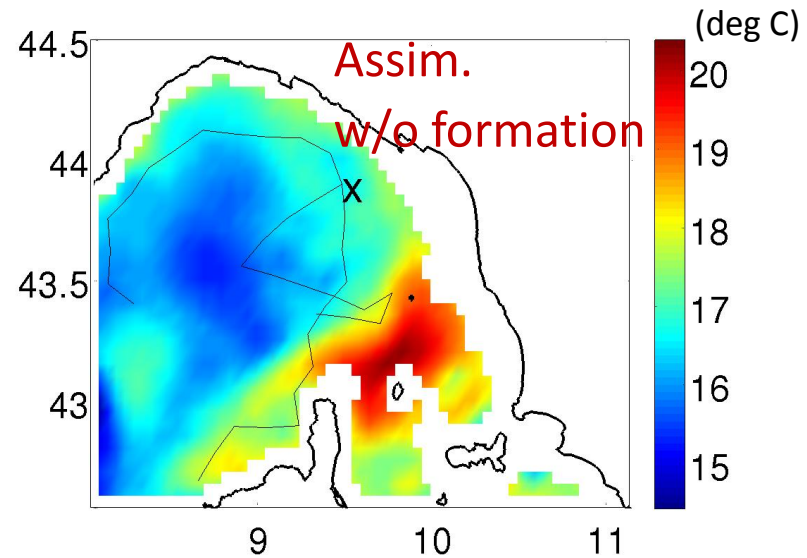
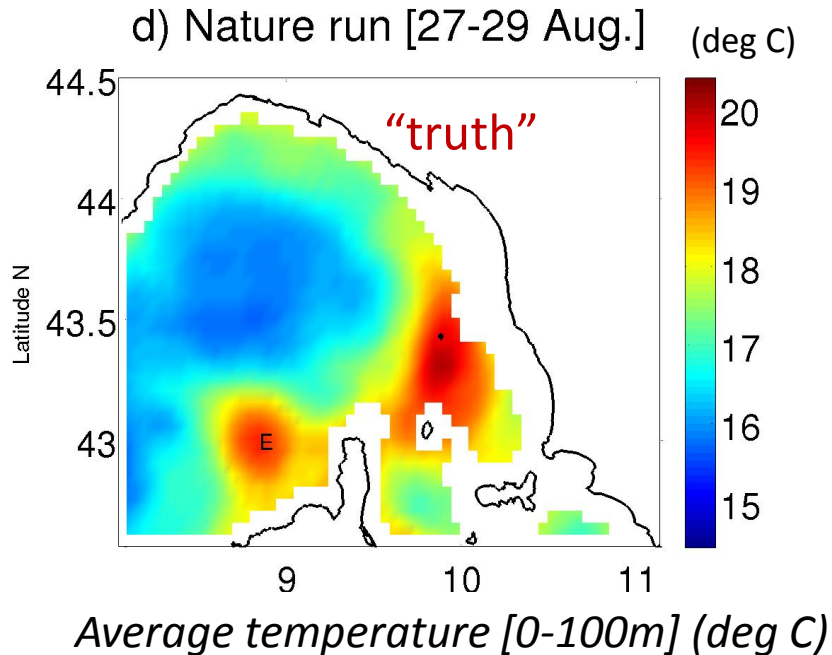


cooperative



without formation

coordinated (triangular formation)



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Predicción oceánica:

modelos hidrodinámicos de alta resolución operacionales a escala regional
→ mesoescala / sub-mesoescala

Planeadores submarinos:

proporcionan secciones con observaciones oceánicas de alta resolución
(+ información sobre velocidades integradas sobre la vertical)

Asimilación de los datos de planeadores submarinos:

potencial para mejorar la predicción sobre zonas de $\sim 100 \times 100 \text{ km}^2$

Muestreo adaptativo:

las plataformas están dirigidas hacia la zonas de mayor incertidumbre del modelo.

Campaña 2010: es 1) factible y 2) útil !

Reconstrucción de un remolino por una flota de 3 planeadores: formación geométrica necesaria para poder representar su estructura en el modelo.

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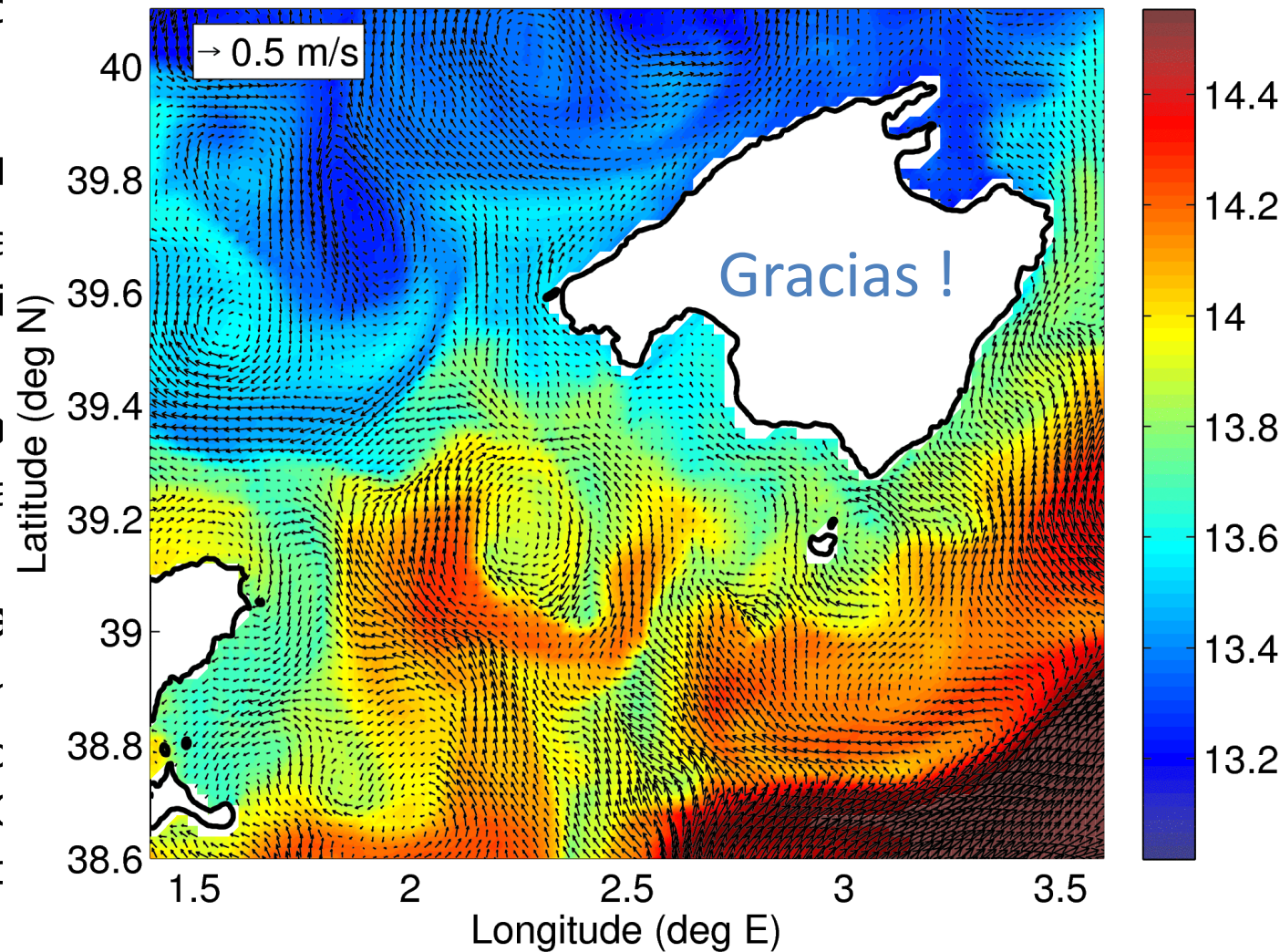
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