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The CMCC Global Ocean Reanalysis (1991-2010)

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Overview of the CMCC global ocean reanalysis systems

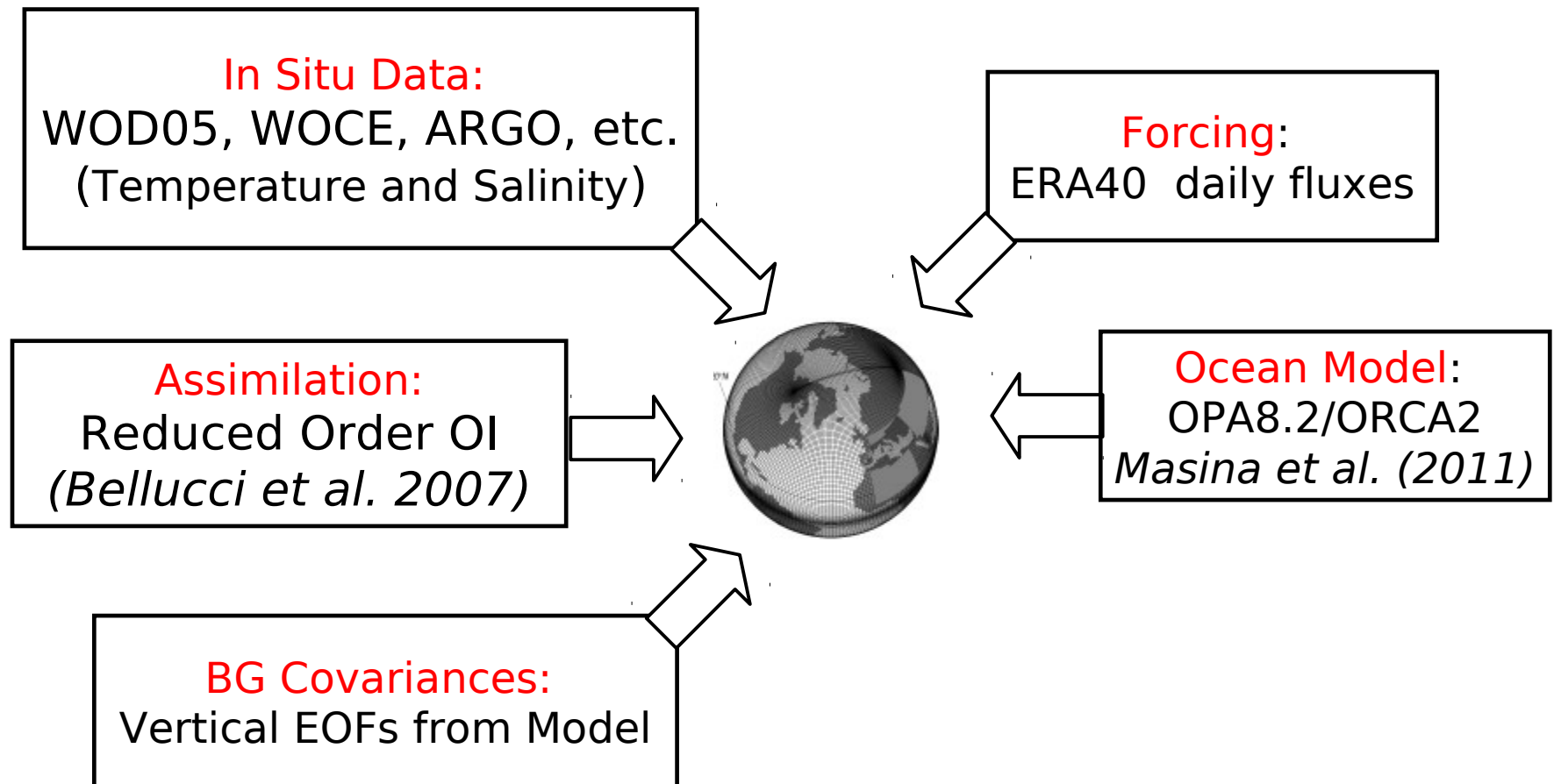
Selected Results of recent and forthcoming developments

Plans and applications



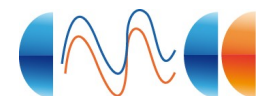
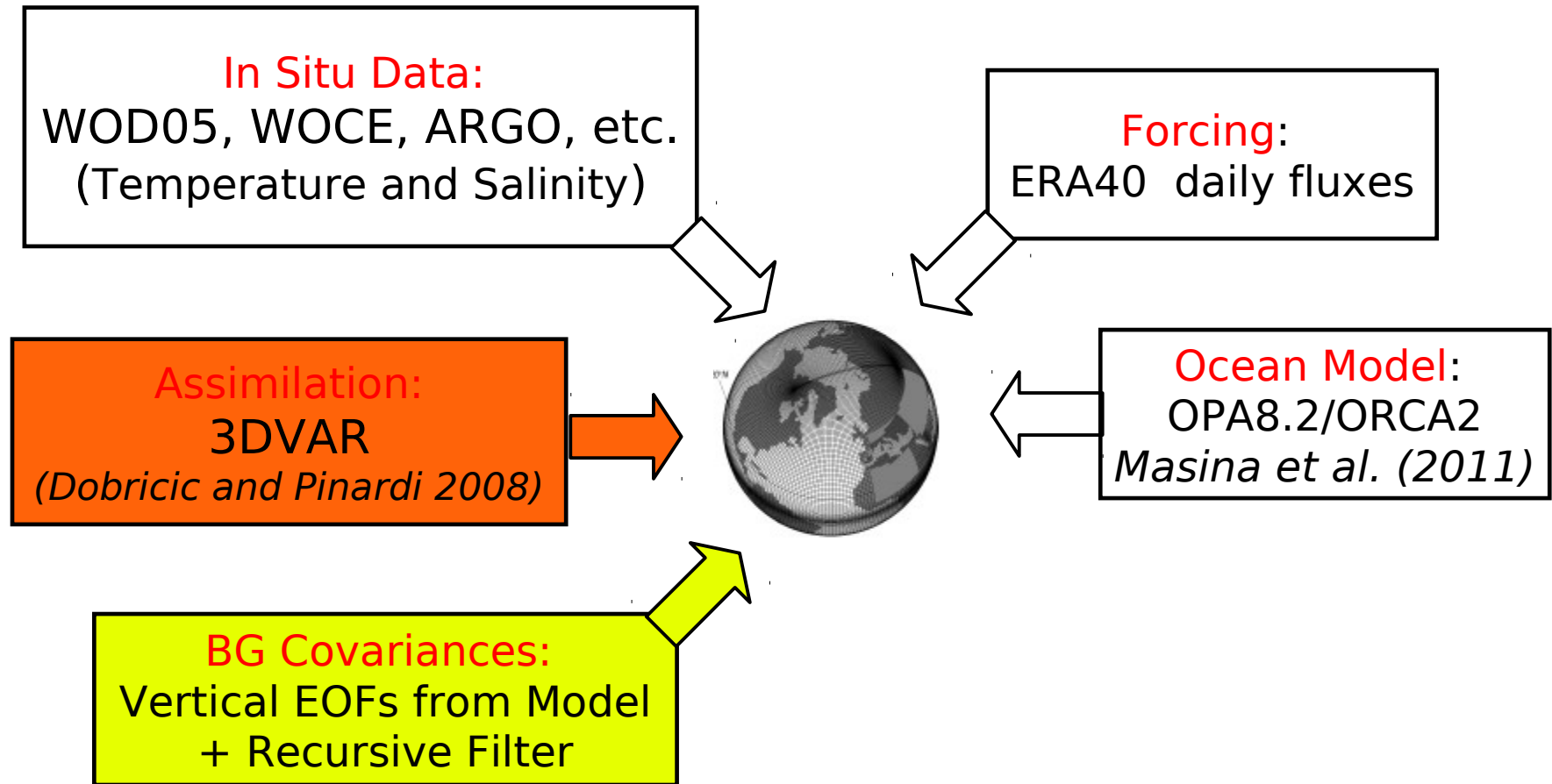
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YEAR 2008



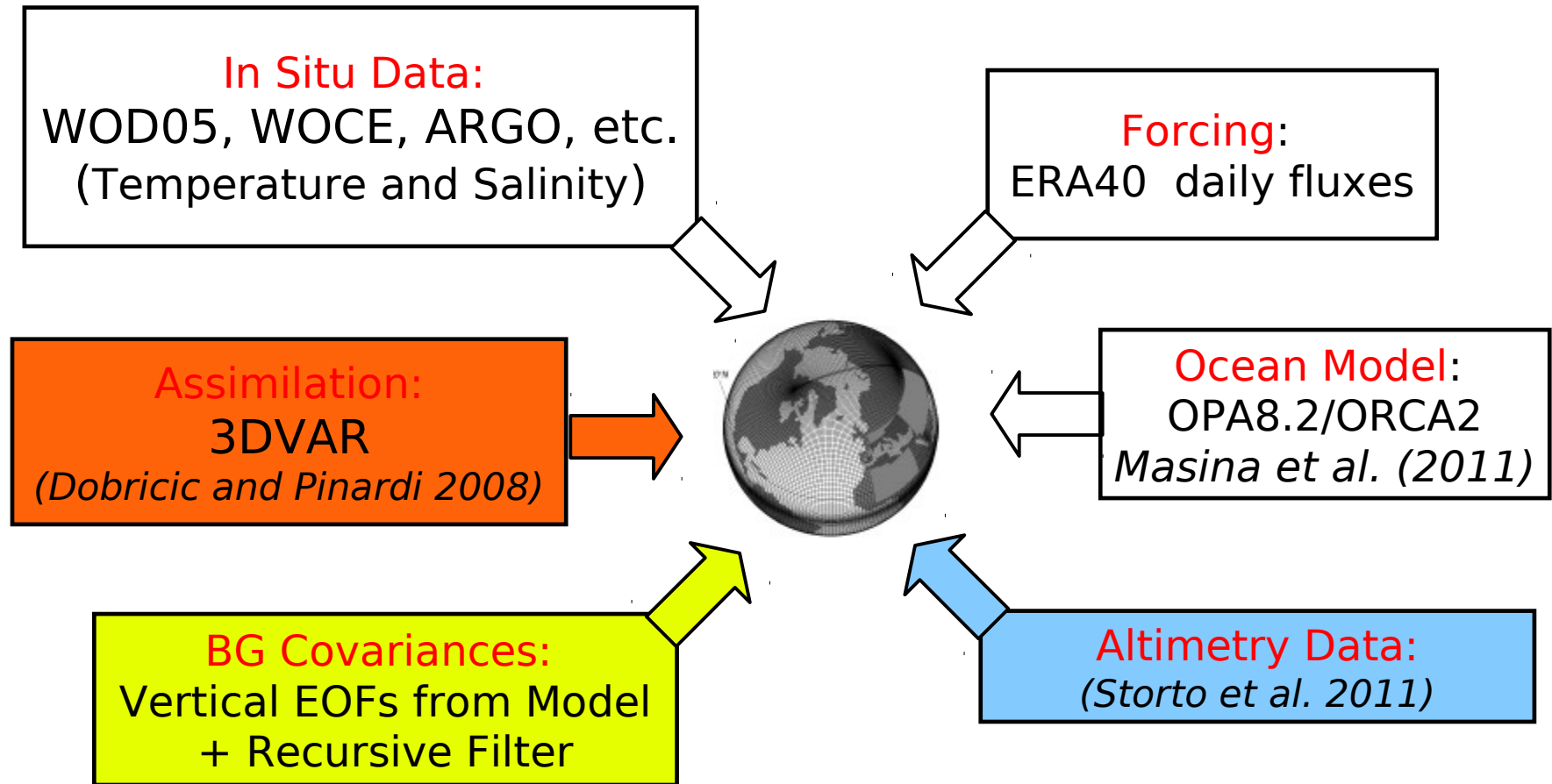
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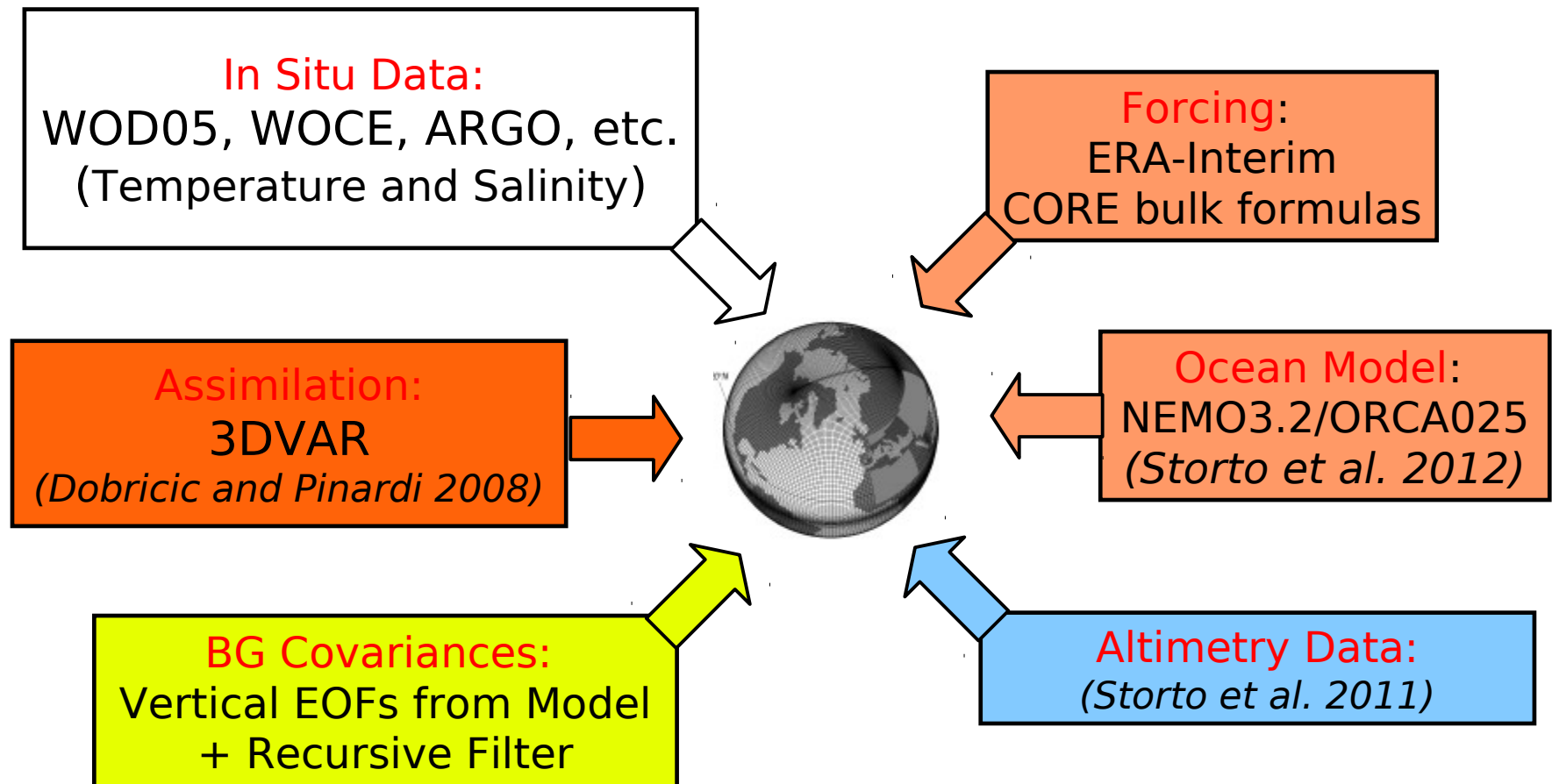
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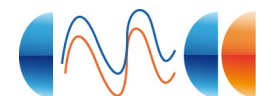
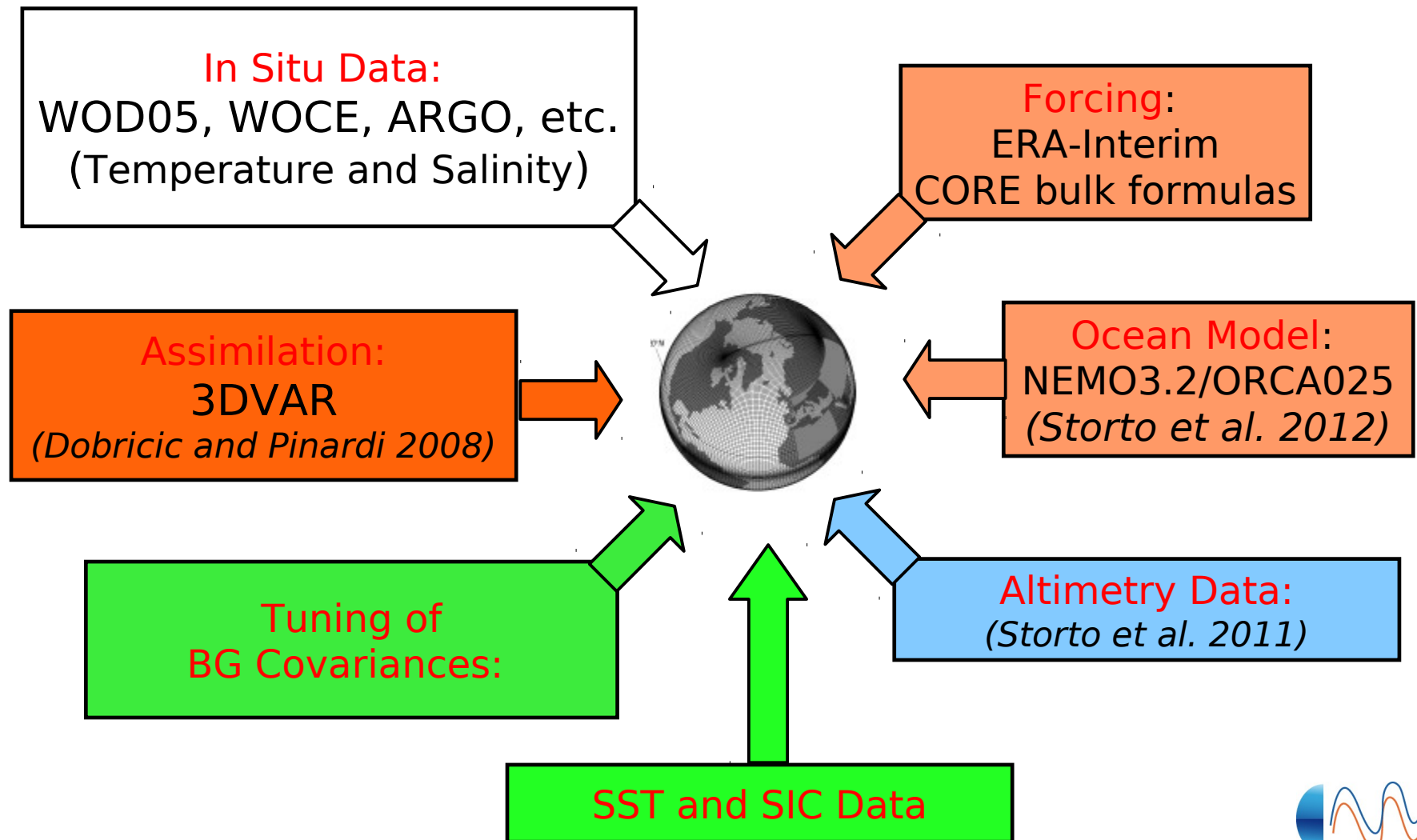
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The 3DVAR formulation

Usual 3DVAR/FGAT formulation with BG term preconditioning (Dobricic and Pinardi, 2008, Ocean Mod.)

$$B = VV^T \quad v = V^{-1}(X - X^B) \quad d = Y - M(X^B)$$

$$J = \frac{1}{2} v^T v + \frac{1}{2} (d - H(Vv))^T R^{-1} (d - H(Vv))$$

$$V = V^H V^V$$

HORIZONTAL CORRELATIONS

Modeled by means of a first-order recursive filter (with 4 forward and back iterations):

$$V^H = W_y G_y W_x G_x$$

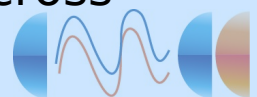
G are recursive filter operator;
W are normalization coefficients in order to have correlations with unitary amplitude.
Filter coefficients depend on resolution and correlation scale.

VERTICAL COVARIANCES

Modeled by means of seasonal vertical bivariate EOFs (at either full or coarse model resolution) derived from the eigendecomposition of a properly defined error dataset:

$$V^V = S\Lambda^{1/2}$$

which contains info on vertical variances and auto- and cross-correlations.



Assimilation of SLA

Within the 3DVAR iterations, the observation operator is given by the “dynamic height” approximation.

Analysis increments profiles are driven by the vertical structure of background-error covariances through the adjoint of the Eta operator.

Impact of choice of MDT
(Storto et al., 2011, MWR)

NO SLA ASSIMILATION

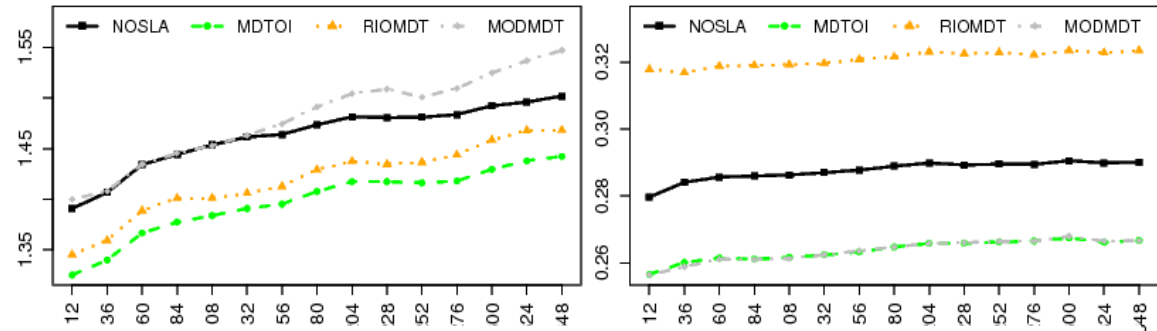
MDT FROM MODEL MSSH

**MDT FROM OI OF SLA
ASSIMILATION MISFITS**

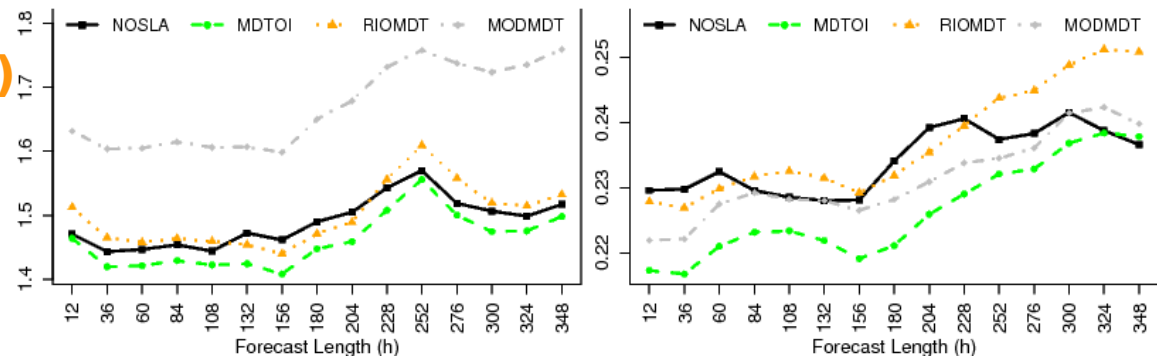
RIO MDT (grav.+altim.+ins)

**MDTOI always outperforms
other MDTs**

RMSE against TAO (PACIFIC) TEMPERATURE SALINITY



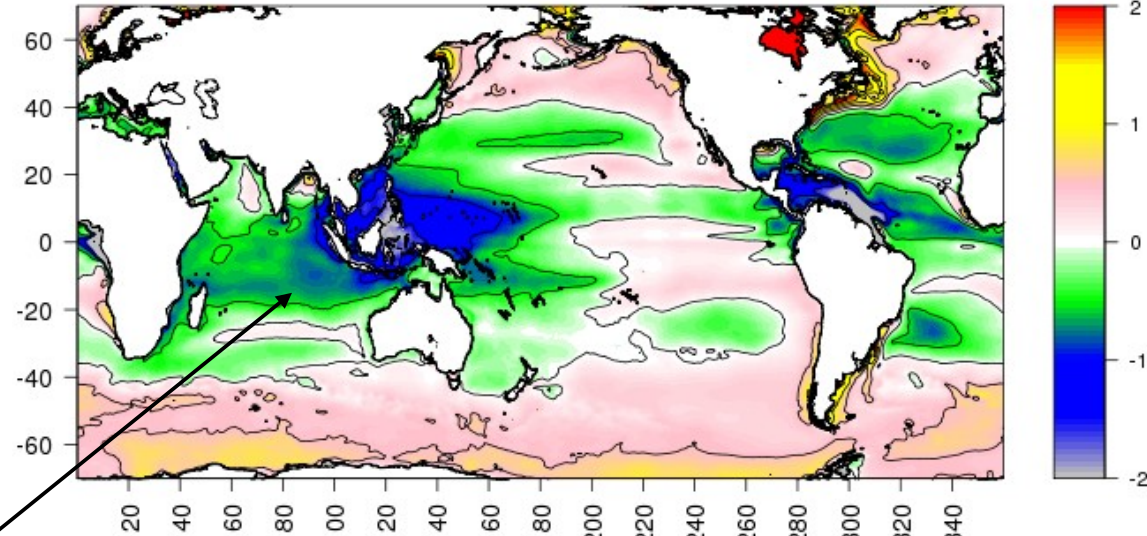
RMSE against RAMA (INDIAN) TEMPERATURE SALINITY



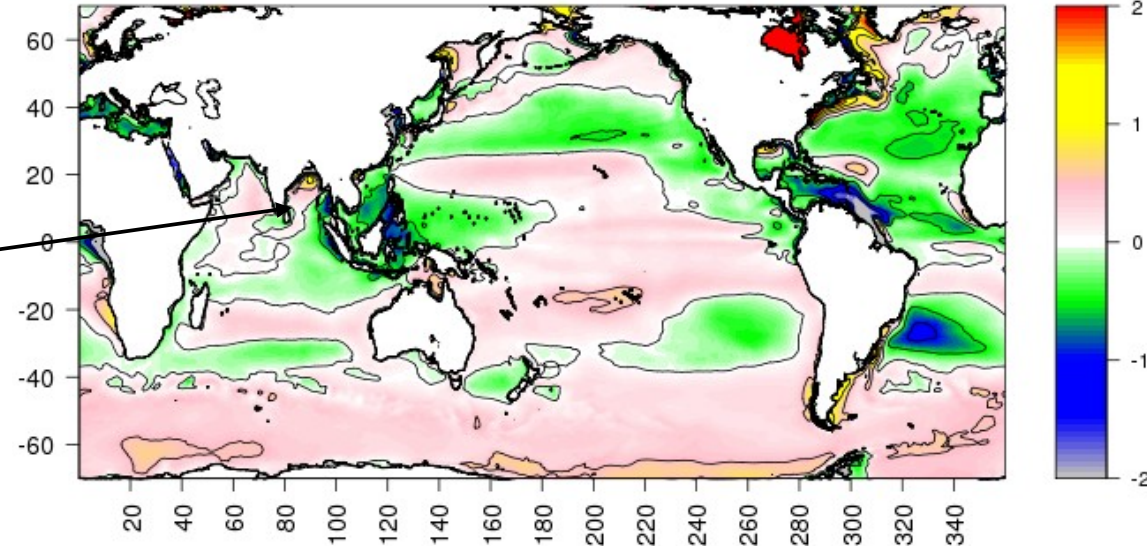
Correction of freshwater fluxes

1989-2009 SSS BIAS (psu, MODEL-WOA2009)

UNCORRECTED PRECIPITATION



CORRECTED PRECIPITATION



Precipitation fluxes are corrected with a climatological coefficient deduced from the comparison between ERA-Interim and REMSS/PMWC microwave satellite data (Storto et al. 2012, OSD)

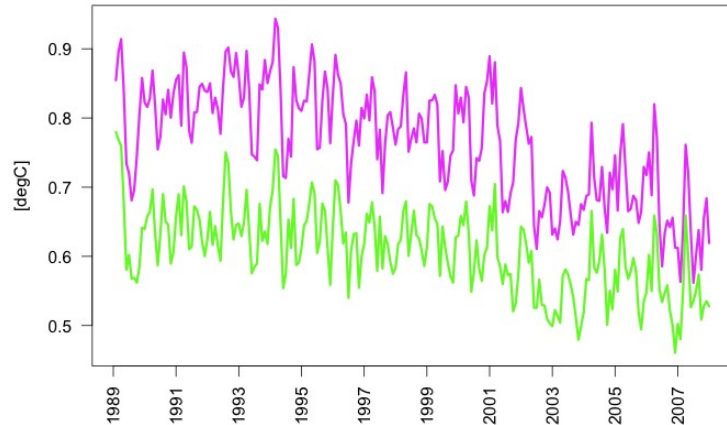
**Fresh Bias Reduction
in the Tropics
(especially ITF)**

Correction of radiative fluxes

Radiative fluxes from ERA-Interim are corrected with a climatological coefficient deduced from the comparison between ERA-Interim and GEWEX/SRB radiation data (G. Garric, Mercator-Ocean)

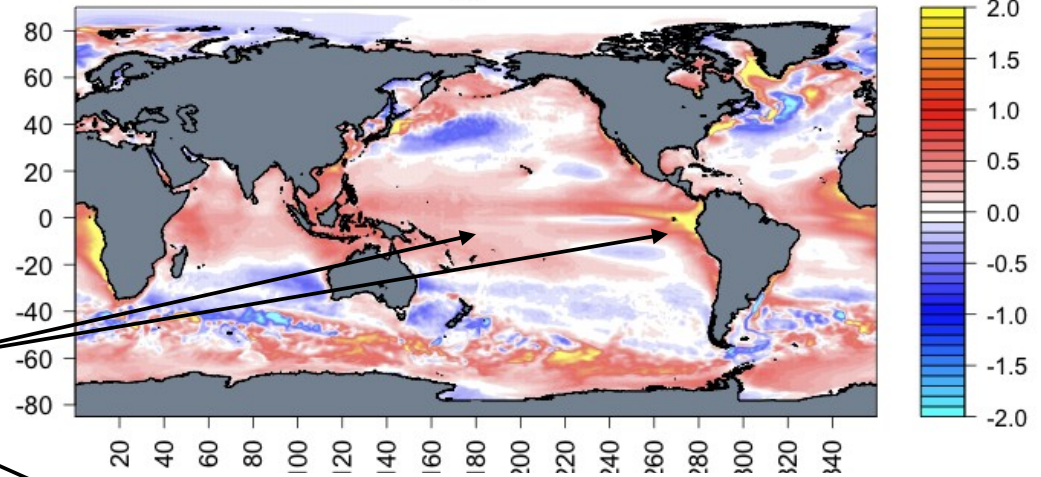
**Warm Bias Reduction
in the Tropics
(especially eastern
upwelling areas)**

TROPICAL SST RMSE
UNCORRECTED vs CORRECTED

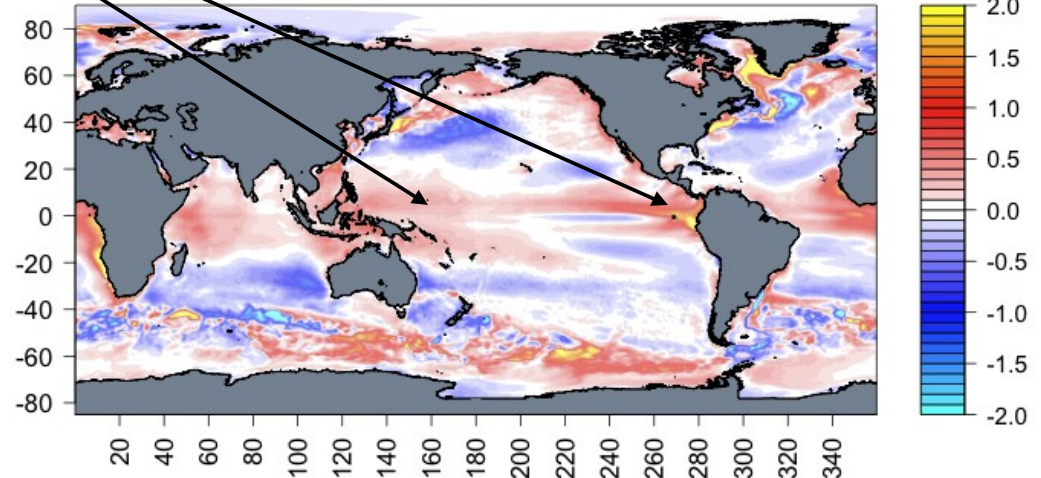


**1989-2007 SST BIAS
(degC, MODEL-REYNOLDS)**

UNCORRECTED RAD FLUXES



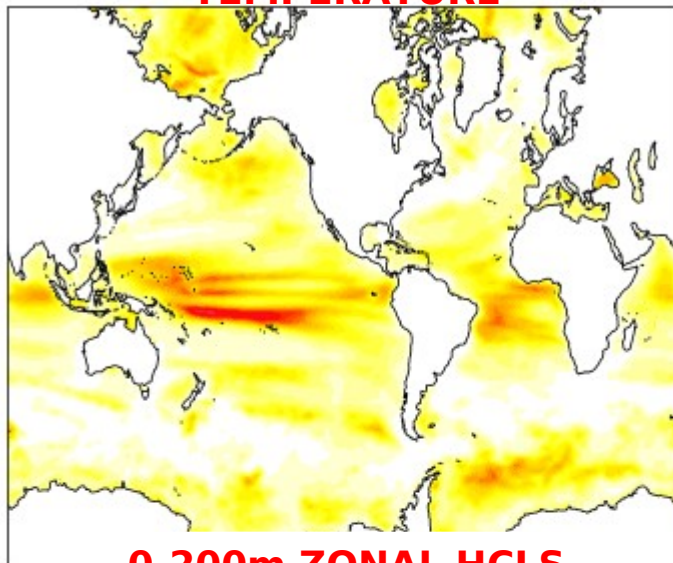
CORRECTED RAD FLUXES



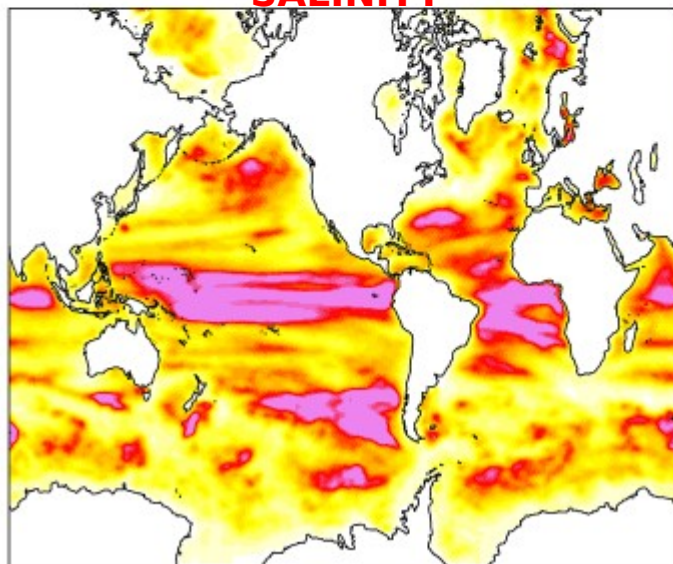
Locally-varying horizontal correlation length-scales

Recent extension in the global $\frac{1}{4}$ degree configuration allows for non-uniform horizontal correlation length-scales (HCLSs), i.e. recursive filter has anisotropic coefficients function of 3D HCLSs

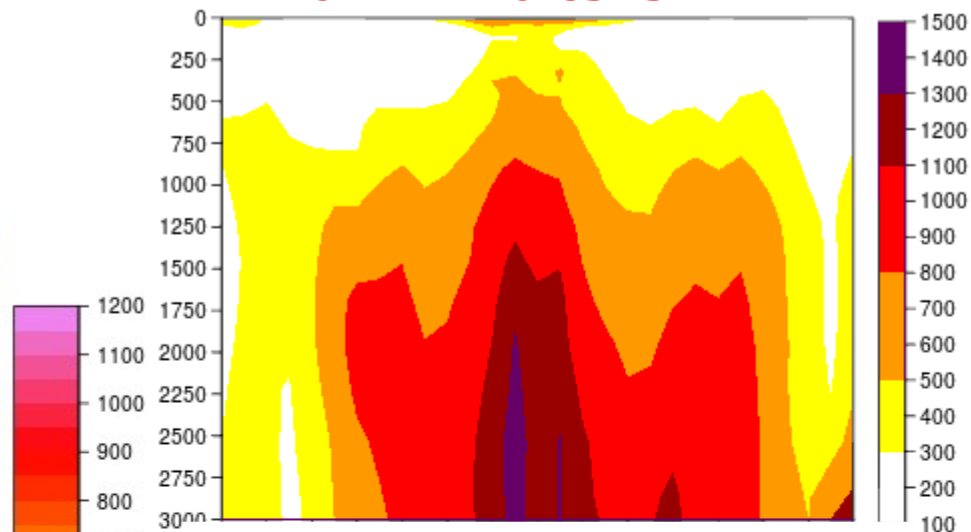
**0-200m ZONAL HCLS
TEMPERATURE**



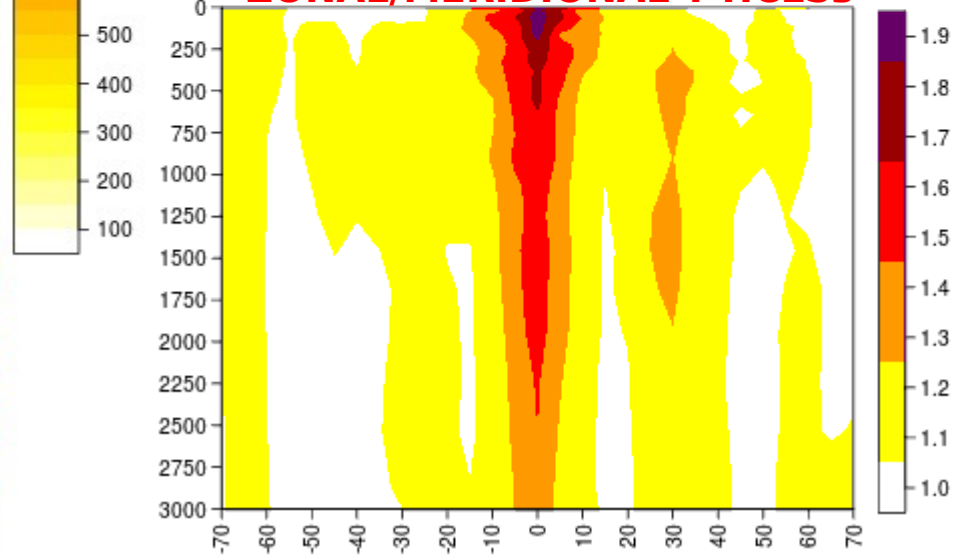
**0-200m ZONAL HCLS
SALINITY**



**ZONALLY AVERAGED
ZONAL T HCLSs vs DEPTH**

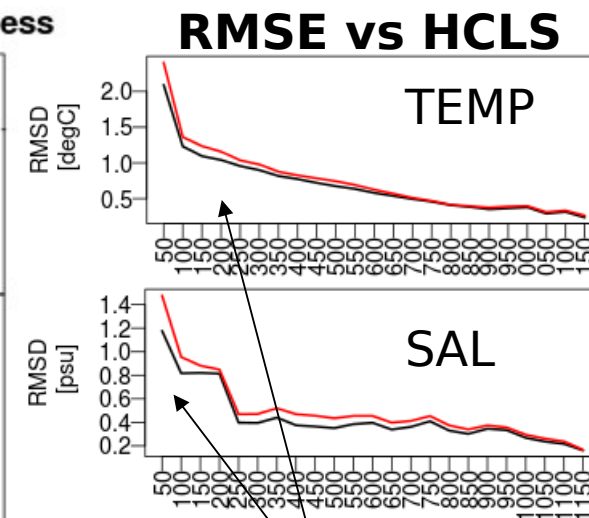
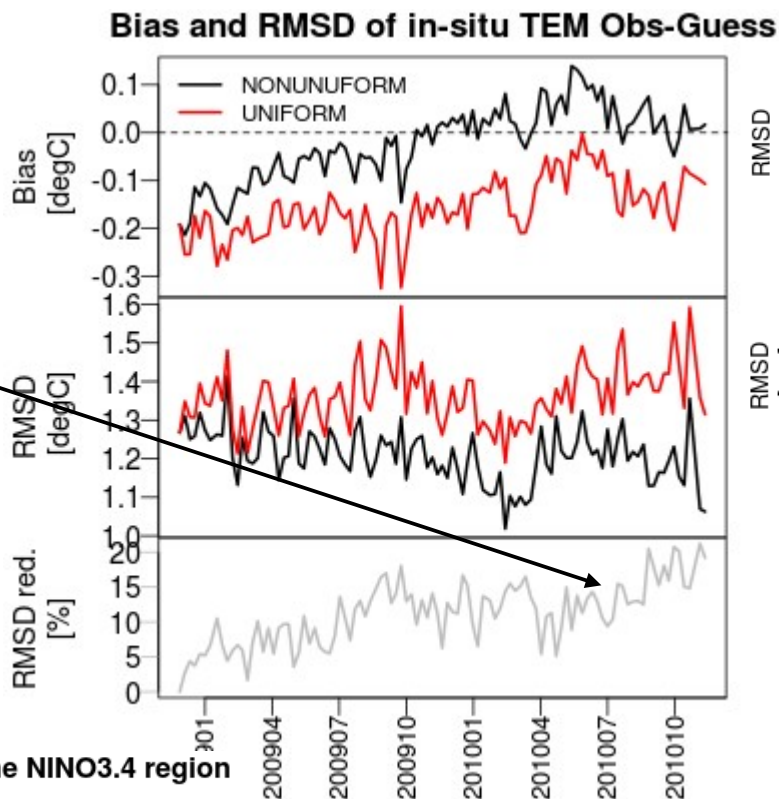


**ZONALLY AVERAGED RATIO
ZONAL/MERIDIONAL T HCLSs**



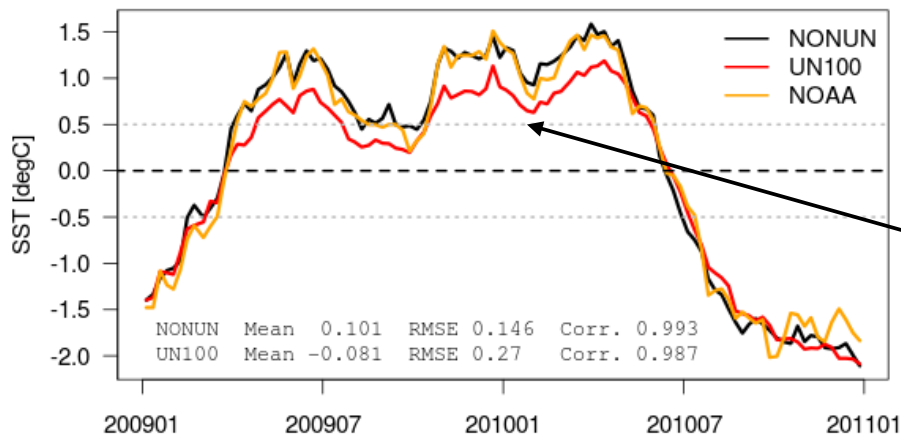
Locally-varying horizontal correlation length-scales

**Increasing T
obs minus guess
RMSD**



**Impact on
Mesoscale areas**

Sea-Surface Temperature Anomaly in the NINO3.4 region

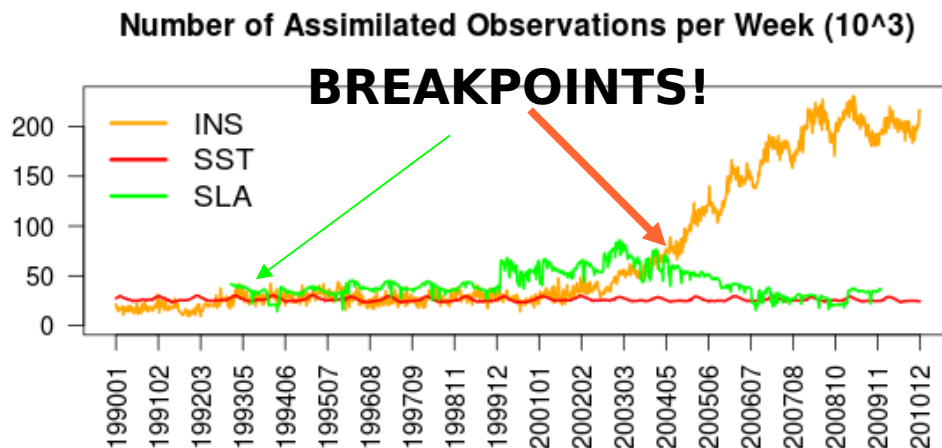


**Impact on
Tropical Pacific SSTA
During El Nino 2009**

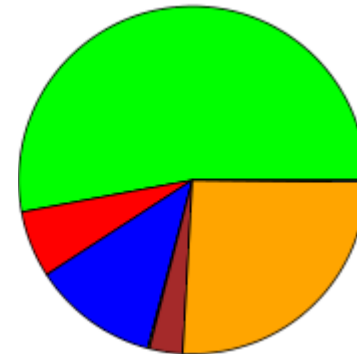


Observing network

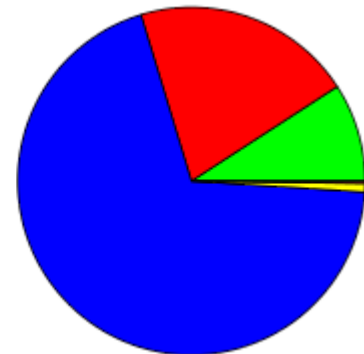
	DATASET	PREPROCESSING
IN SITU PROFILES	UKMO HADLEY EN3 DATASET [quality-checked XBT (fall-rate corrected), CTD, Argo, Moorings]	Climatology check Background quality check Horizontal Thinning Vertical Thinning Ice rejection Vertical Consistency check
SLA	CLS/AVISO Delayed time along-track products	Background quality check Horizontal Thinning Ice, coastal and Equator rejection Applicability LNM
SST	NOAA ¼ daily archived analyses (AVHRR+AMSR-E)	Climatology check Background quality check Horizontal Thinning Ice and coastal rejection



IN-SITU



SST

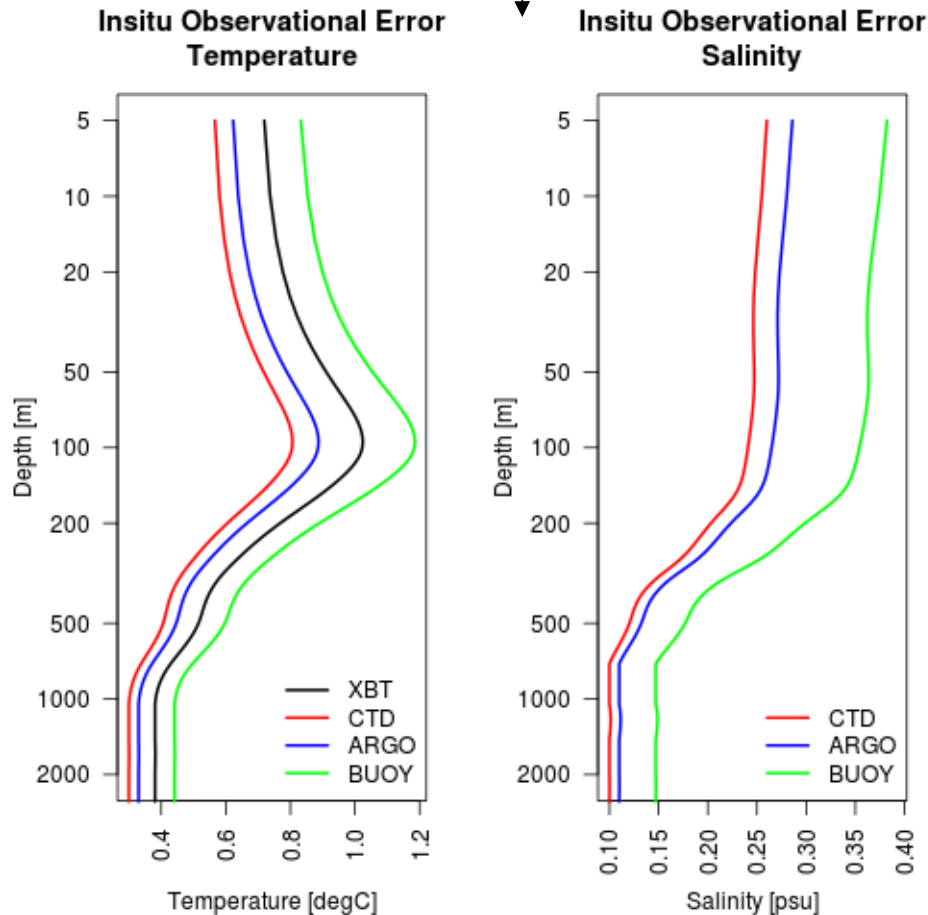


Retained observations

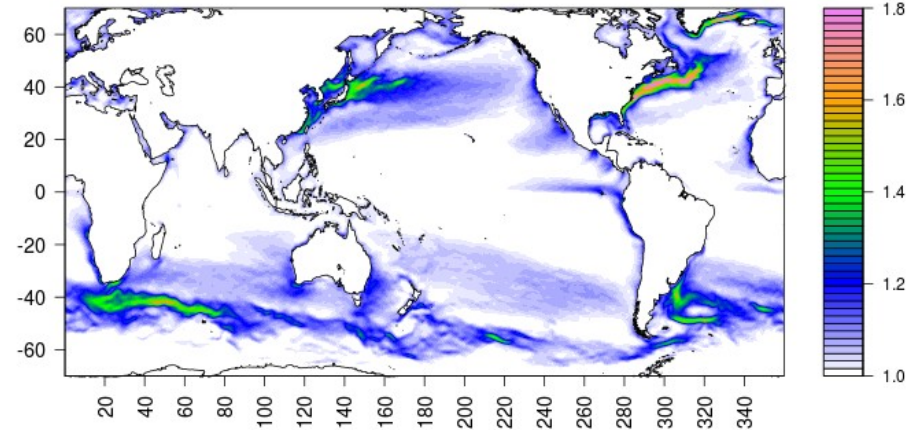
Observational errors

Observational errors were tuned starting from Ingleby and Huddleston (2007) with by means of the Desroziers' method (a posteriori diagnostics from assim)

Obs type dependence for Insitu

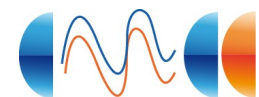


Representativeness Error Factor



Geographical dependence for Insitu

SLA error defined as sum of MDT, obs. oper., instr. and representation error variances



Status and plans

PRODUCTION (1/4 degree resolution)

- 2 Releases have been produced for MyOcean (CGLORSV1 and CGLORSV2) for the period 1991-2010 (1993-2009 officially released)

> Bernard Barnier's presentation tomorrow

- 1 Release that fixes some problems in CGLORSV2 (sea-ice and SLA assimilation) is under production

MAIN CONCERNS

- T/S Vertical covariances may produce significant model drifts
- Optimal Initialization/Spinup for the reanalysis still needs to be addressed

PLANS

- Use of ensemble-derived sets of vertical covariances;
- Vertical localization operator to avoid spurious vertical correlations;



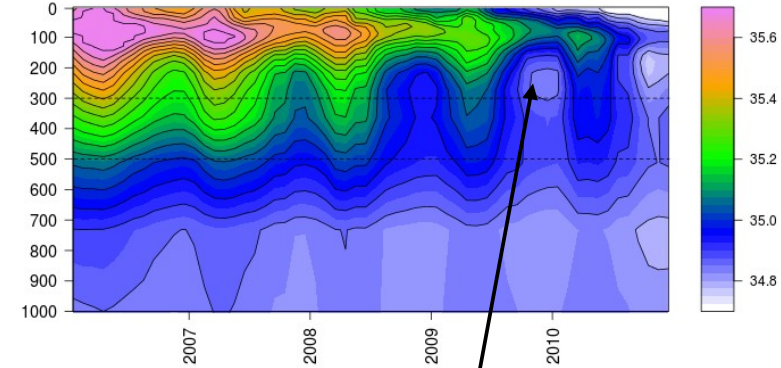
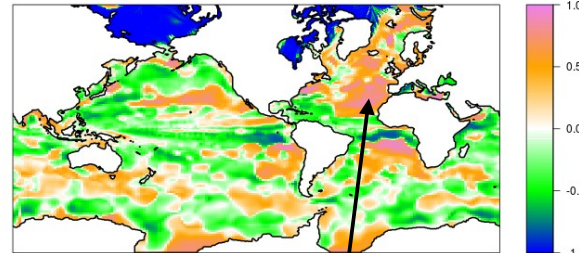
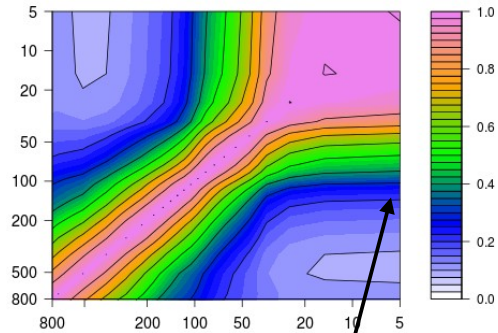
The main concern: model drifts

Global T Vertical Correlations

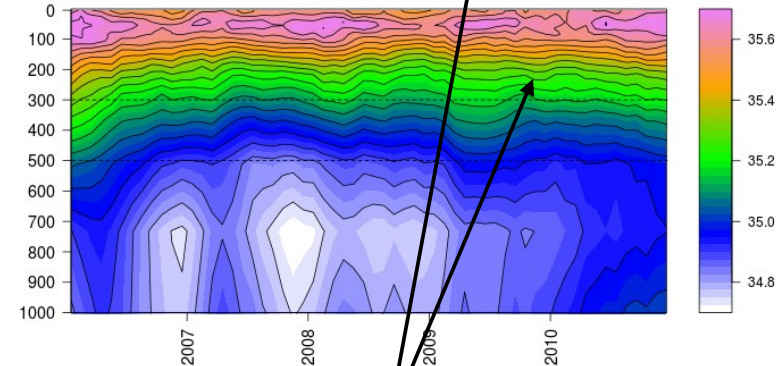
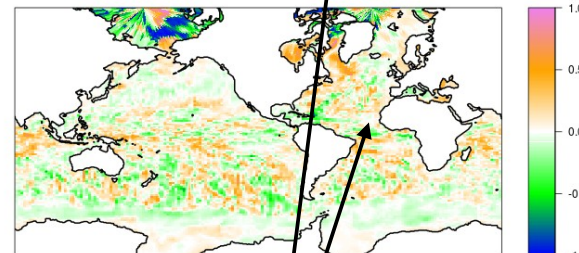
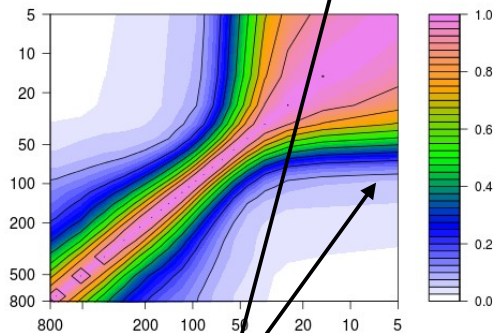
SST/SSS Cross-correlation

ATLANTIC SALINITY (60S-60N)

CLIMATOLOGICAL ANOMALY DERIVED EOFs



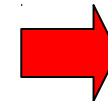
ENSEMBLE DERIVED EOFs FROM COUPLED MODEL (COLLABOR. JAMSTEC/RIGC)



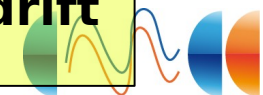
**Shorter T
Vert. Corrs**



Weaker T/S coupling



No salinity drift



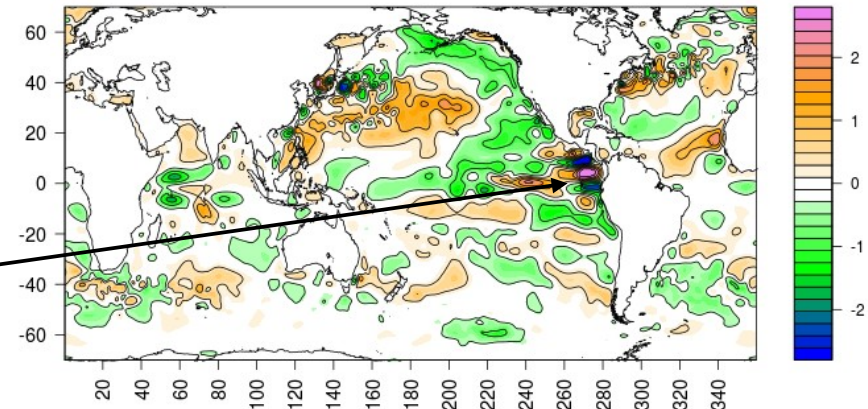
Flow-dependent aspects: Vertical Localization of Corrs

Use of adaptive density criterion to form a vertical localization operator for avoiding spurious long vertical correlations below MLD in the EOFs

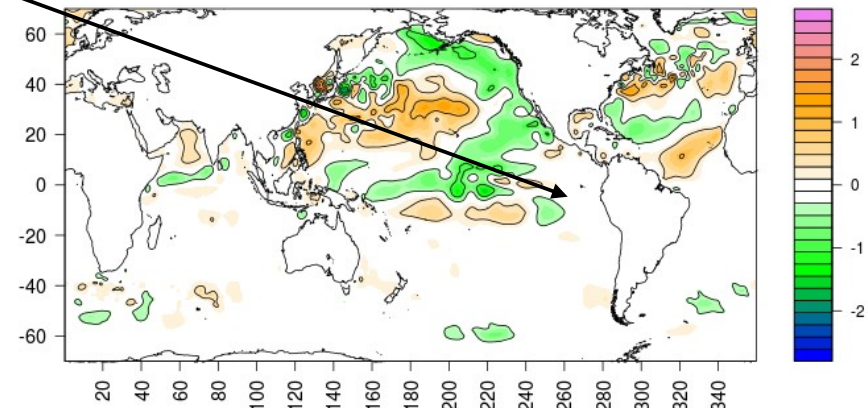
The localization zeroes the influence of surface observations below MLD

Example of winter-time application of flow-dependent localization: twin experiment with SST only

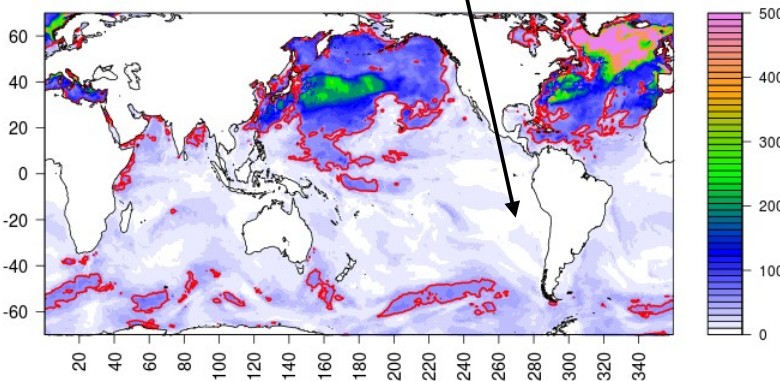
Temperature analysis increment at 55 m of depth



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Mixing Layer Depth



Further developments we're working on

- **Detailed EOFs comparison and implement simple large-scale bias-correction schemes for model drift mitigations;**
- **A balance operator (“barotropic operator”) that will allow to correct u,v further to T,S . It will be possible to test the assimilation of drifter trajectories;**
- *Variational correction of the Mean Dynamic Topography to improve SLA assimilation;*
- *Multilinear bias correction of space-borne observations and reformulation of background quality check to account for actual observation misfit distributions;*
- *Sea-ice assimilation brought into 3DVAR (now nudging);*



Main Usage of CMCC ocean reanalyses

- Estimate the interannual-to-decadal upper ocean variability (*Masina et al. 2011*);**
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Thank you!



General configuration of C-GLORS

OCEAN GENERAL CIRCULATION MODEL

- NEMO (3.2.1) 0.25 L50 + LIM2 Sea-Ice Model
- CORE bulk formulas with 3-hourly ERA-Interim turbulent fluxes and daily freshwater and radiative fluxes (solar diurnal cycle analytically imposed)
- Correction of radiative fluxes with GEWEX/SRB
- Correction of precipitation fluxes with REMSS/PMWC
- Nudging to NOAA sea-ice concentration data (15-day relaxation scale)

DATA ASSIMILATION

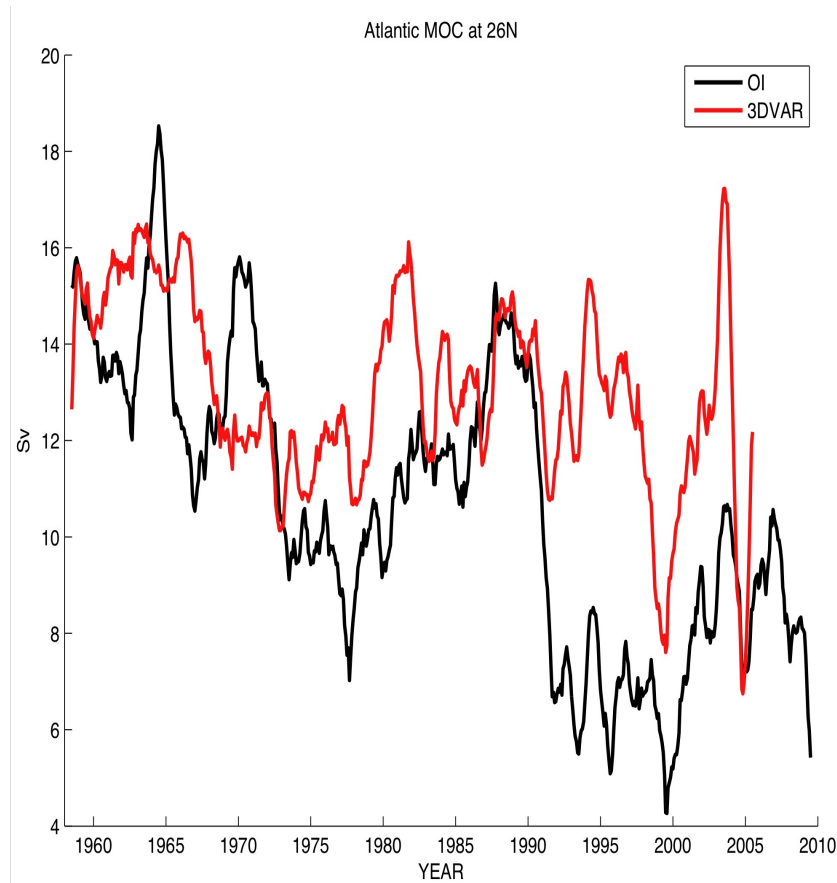
- 3DVAR/FGAT formulation with weekly correction of (T,S)
- “Direct initialization”
- Horizontal correlations via first-order recursive filter
- Vertical covariances via seasonal bivariate EOFs of T, S
- Assimilation of SLA through the adjoint of the “dynamic height” formula

INITIALIZATION

- Free run initialized from 1979 (ERA-Interim) from ocean at rest and WOA climatology
- Assimilation switched on in 1989



Decadal climate predictions with the CMCC coupled model



Courtesy by A. Bellucci

Time series of the maximum Atlantic MOC (AMOC, Sv; 1 Sv=106 m³s⁻¹) at 26°N from CMCC ocean analyses (used to initialize decadal predictions) using OI and 3DVAR data assimilation schemes.

Assimilating altimetry data determines a stronger AMOC. This results in large perturbations on the initial state of the MOC for different ensemble members.

Hindcasts initialized on 1995 with OI (black) and 3DVAR (red).

