



Operational Ocean Data Assimilation and Prediction System in JMA and MRI



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Outline

- 1. Introduction to
status of operational data assimilation
(of physical oceanography)
(under GOOS/GODAE, CLIVAR/GSOP)**
- 2. JMA/MRI_system: MOVE/MRI.COM
Systems for Ocean weather & Ocean climate
Validation with analysis/reanalysis data
Nowcasting & forecasting of ocean state**

Appendix.

Analyses of 2004 Kuroshio Large Meander

**Future (on going) direction and recommendation: OSE, CDAS,
Coastal Appl.**



Data Assimilation

Data assimilation is a procedure that subtracts information from models and observations, and combines them as an optimum estimate.

The aims are

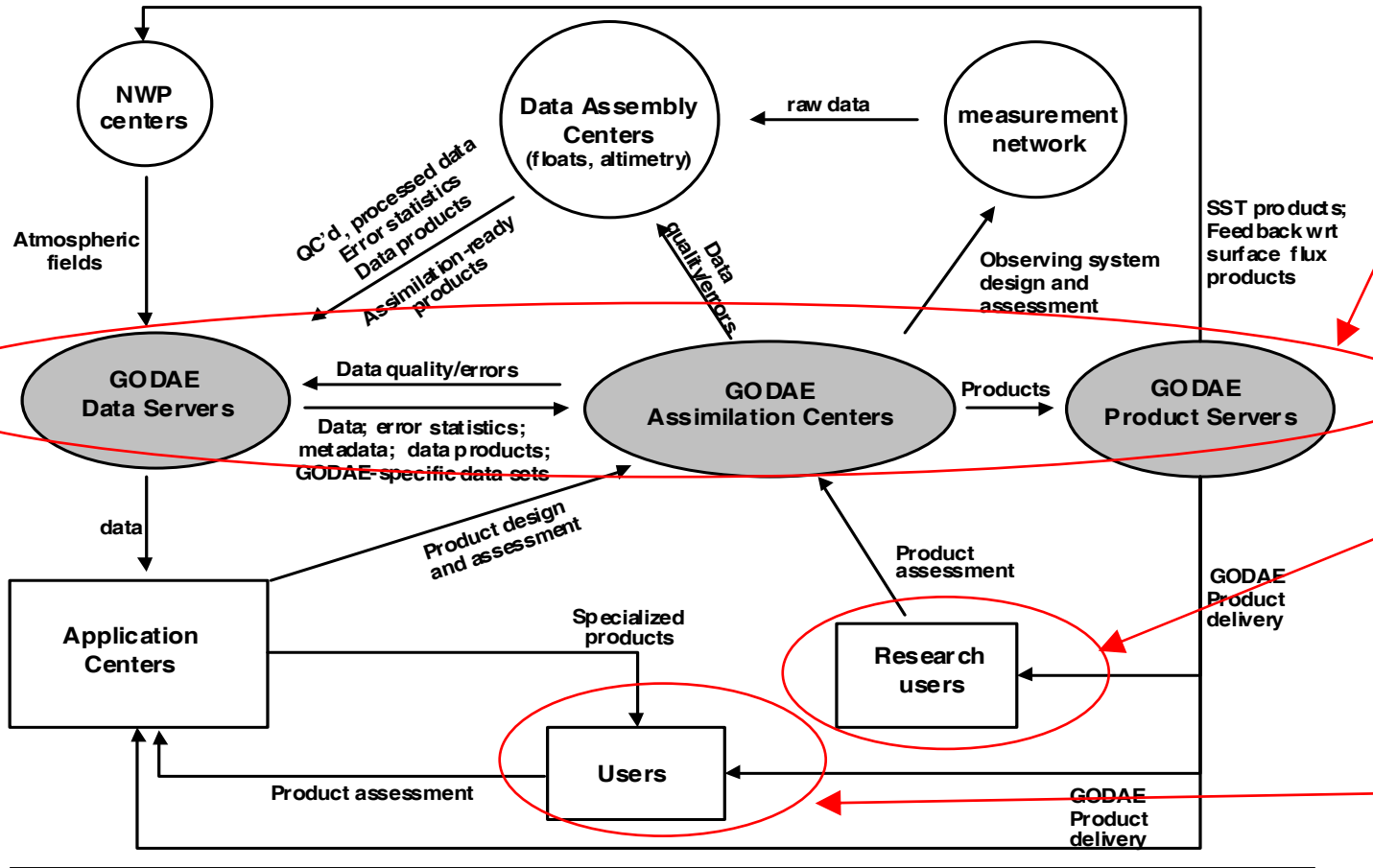
- 1. to obtain optimum initial condition for prediction**
- 2. to obtain optimum boundary condition**
- 3. to obtain optimum parameter (parameter estimation)**
- 4. to understand phenomena with 4D data set (reanalysis)**
- 5. to estimate observing system and develop optimum system (through OSE/OSSE/sensitivity/SV analyses)**



Total System is Important (GODAE)



see "GODAE Implementation Plan" at <http://www.godae.org/>



Operation or Research

Middle users (mainly Research Community)

End users

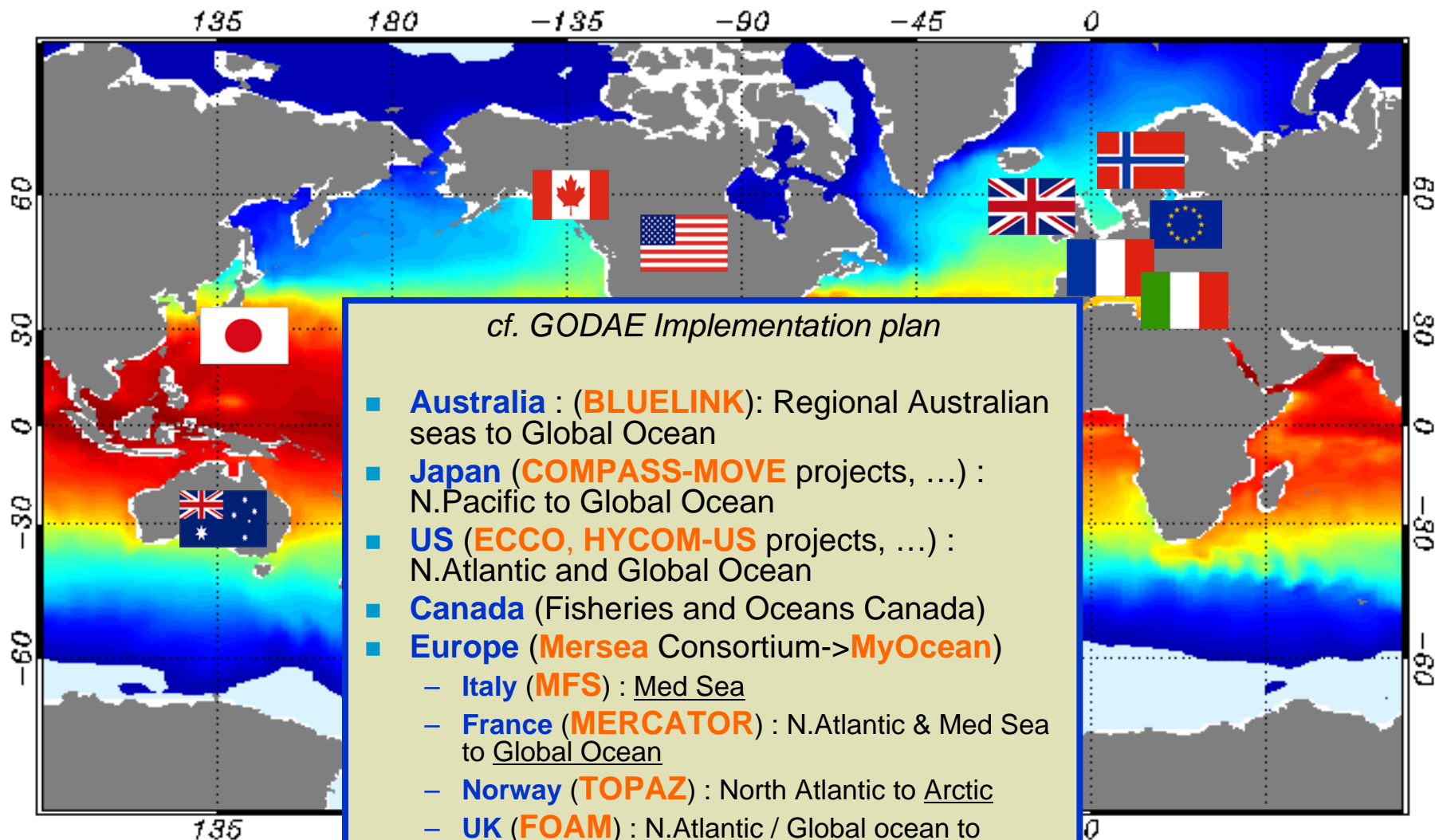
Legend:

- Sources of Inputs
- GODAE common
- Users of GODAE outputs



GODAE Modelling/Assimilation Centers

initialised temperature : T on 16-06-2004 near 0 m





Japan GODAE partner

Status of Japan-GoDAE Partners

2006/05/01



Group	Kyoto Univ. & Jpn Mar Sci Foundation (Res. System) Ishikawa, Inn Awaji KU-JMSF	Frontier (IMRP) & Kyoto Univ. K-7 (Res. Syst.) Masuda, Sugiura Awaji	Kyushu Univ. (RIAM) (Res. Syst.) Hirose Yoon RIAMOM & Fisheries Agency JADE(FRA)	Frontier (FRCGC) & Tokyo Univ. & Fisheries Agency J-COPE2 (Res. Syst.) Miyazawa, Yamagata FRA-JCOPE	JMA/MRI MOVE/MRI.COM-NP (Res. Syst. & JMA-next oper.) Usui, Tsujino, Fujii, Kamachi	JMA/MRI MOVE/MRI.COM-G (Res. Syst. & JMA-next oper.) Fujii, Yasuda, Matsumoto, Yamanaka Kamachi	JMA/HQ (MarPredDiv) COMPASS-K (Oper. Syst.) Kuragano, Ishizaki, Sakurai Kamachi	JMA/HQ (ClimInfoDept) ODAS (Oper. Syst.) Ishikawa Ishikawa Soga Takaya Yamanaka
Forcing	NCEP2	NCEP2	ERA40 JMA-NWP	NCEP2, QSCAT ERS-1,2 wind Reynolds SST	NCEP2 ERA40 JRA25 JMA-NWP	NCEP2 ERA40 JRA25 JMA-NWP	JMA-NWP JRA25	JMA-NWP JRA25
Data	Jason GHRSSST GTSP TAO-TRITON Argo	Jason GHRSSST GTSP TAO-TRITON Argo	Jason+ENVISAT GHRSSST GTSP TAO-TRITON Argo	Jason+ENVISAT GHRSSST GTSP TAO-TRITON Argo	Jason+ENVISAT GHRSSST GTSP TAO-TRITON Argo	Jason+ENVISAT GHRSSST GTSP TAO-TRITON Argo	GTS-T,S Jason+ENVISAT ->T,S (correlation) GHRSSST TAO-TRITON Argo	GTS-T,S Jason+ENVISAT ->T,S (correlation) GHRSSST TAO-TRITON Argo
Assim.	4DVAR	4DVAR (OGCM-4DVAR) (CGCM-4DVAR)	Kalman Filter	2DOI +z-correlation +IAU ->3DVAR	3DVAR (SEEK-VAR -TSEOF, IAU) 4DVAR	3DVAR (SEEK-VAR -TSEOF, IAU) 4DVAR	Multivariate -scale dependent -4DOI Nudging	3DVAR (Derber & Rosati)
Others (Future Plan)	Coastal	OSSE Metrics (N & Eq. Pac, class-1-3)	Finer scale (coastal ?)	Coastal Wind-wave	Metrics (N.Pac class-1-4) OSSE Sea-ice (Wind-wave) (High-tide B.C.) (coastal?) Regional OGCM For IPCC-CGCM	Metrics (Eq. Pac, Class-1-3) OSSE Indian Ocean Seasonal forecast Global OGCM for IPCC-CGCM	Next generation: MOVE /MRI.COM-NP	Next generation: MOVE /MRI.COM-G Seasonal Forecast



Ocean Data Assimilation Systems in Japan Meteorological Agency & Meteorological Research Institute



Area	Global	Western North Pacific
Aim	Initial Condition for ElNino & Seasonal Forecasting	Initial condition for Ocean Forecasting around Japan
Operation	JMA ODAS	COMPASS-K
	(simple) 3DVAR	4DOI
Research (Next Operation)	MOVE/MRI.COM	
	Multi-variate 3DVAR	Multi-variate 3D/4DVAR



JMA-MRI Ocean Data Assimilation System: MOVE/MRI.COM



MRI has been developing ocean data assimilation systems (MOVE/MRI.COM: Multivariate Ocean Variational Estimation).

Aims

- 1. Optimum Initial Conditions for operational forecasting in JMA
Ocean Climate: Seasonal - Interannual (ElNino) prediction
Ocean Weather: Ocean state estimation & prediction around Japan**
- 2. Analysis-reanalysis (3 types) for understanding climate variability:**

Western North Pacific : 1985-2006+ (0.1deg) 1full-time+3part-time+4oper
North Pacific : 1948-2006+ (0.5deg) (1full-time+3part-time)
Global : 1948-2006+ (1.0deg) 1full-time+5part-time+3oper

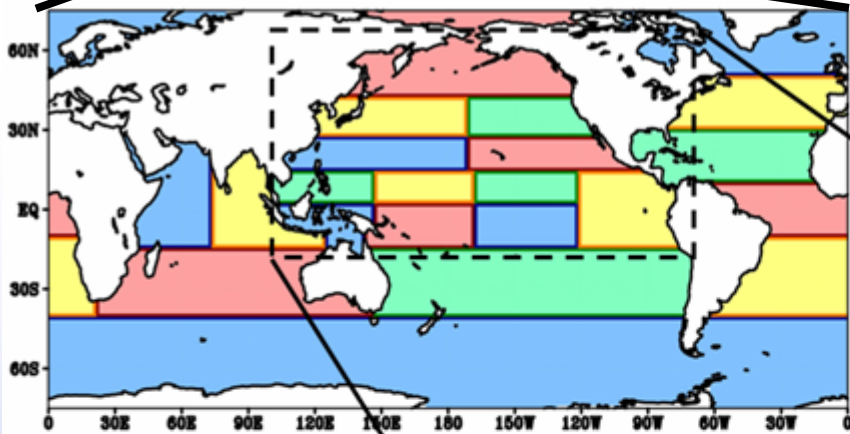
Reanalysis dataset will be opened through JMA Japan_GODAE server and IPRC/APDRC data centers for contribution to international intercomparison projects under GOOS/OOPC/GODAE and CLIVAR/GSOP

- 3. OSE (OSSE, SV analyses with 4DVAR-adjoint system)**
- 4. Coupled atmosphere-ocean data assimilation for S-I prediction**
- 5. Coastal application for disaster prevention**



Five Assimilation/Prediction Systems (oper. three systs.)

MOVE-C With atmospheric model



MOVE-G

Lat. 0.3(Eq)~1 degree
Lon. 1 degree
50 layers

Global Model-1 :
(1×1 deg. :
1/3° tropical region
54 Layers)



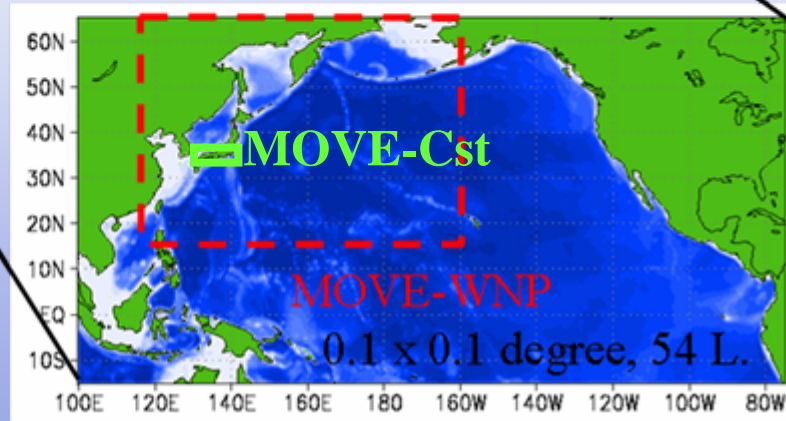
Nested-1 N-Pac Model :
15S-65N, 100E-75W
(0.5×0.5 deg. ,
54 Layers)



Nested-2 Kuroshio
Model :
15N-65N, 115E-160W
(0.1×0.1 deg. ,
54 Layers)

MOVE-NP

0.5 x 0.5 degree
54 Layers



Nested-3 Coastal Model
2km mesh, 54 layer



JMA-MRI Ocean Data Assimilation System: MOVE/MRI.COM



MRI MOVE/MRI.COM (Multivariate Ocean Variational Estimation) system

OGCM: MRI.COM (MRI Community Ocean Model) (similar to MOM)

Method: Multivariate 3D-VAR

**with vertical coupled T-S Empirical Orthogonal Function (EOF) modal decomposition with area partition (control variable: amp. of EOF mode)
horizontal Gaussian function (inhomogeneous decorrelation scales)
nonlinear constraints (dynamic QC, density inversion)
bias correction**

Source Data:

Satellite Altimetry (TOPEX/POSEIDON, ERS-1 &-2, ENVISAT, Jason),

SST (COBESST or GHRSSST),

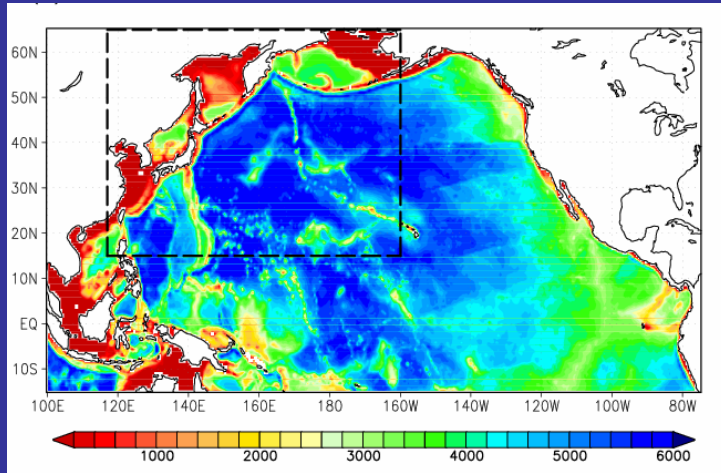
in situ T & S (GTSP, ARGO, Tao/Triton, drifter),

with QC in each data centers

Atmospheric forcing (NCEP-R1&R2, ERA40, JRA25)

4DVAR, Quasi-Coupled AOGCM 3DVAR

MOVE/MRI.COM-NP and -WNP

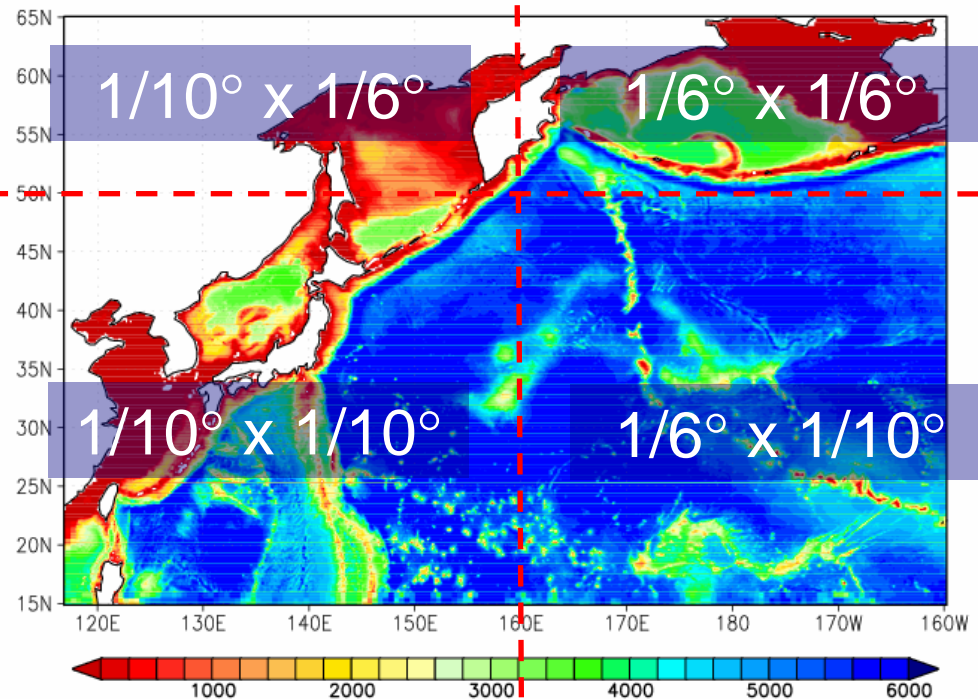


← North Pacific model ($1/2^\circ \times 1/2^\circ$)

Western North Pacific model

Vertical 54 levels

0.5, 1.5, 4, 7, 12, 18, 26, 38, 50,
66, 82, 100, 118, 138, 158, 178,
200, 222, 246, 270, 300, 330,
360, 400, 440, 480, 540, 600,
670, 740, 820, 900, 1000, 1100,
1200, 1350, 1500, 1650, 1800,
2000, 2250, 2500, 2750, 3000,
3250, 3500, 3750, 4000, 4250,
4500, 4750, 5000, 5250, 5500
[m]



OGCM: MRI.COM

- vertical hybrid of z - and σ - coordinate with free surface
- turbulent mixed layer model Noh and Kim (1999) $\alpha = 15.0$, $m = 300.0$
- horizontal viscosity: biharmonic Smagorinsky (Griffies and Hallberg 2000): $c^* = 2.5$
- heat flux bulk formula (Kondo 1975)
- tidal boundary mixing (St. Laurent et al. 2002)
- local Laplacian viscosity on steep bottom topography (Tsujino et al., 2006)
- sea ice model
 - 0-layer (no heat content) sea ice & snow (Mellor and Kantha 1989)
 - Elast-visco-plastic rheology (EVP: continuum) (Hunke and Dukowicz 2002)



Cost function in MOVE/MRI.COM

Multi-variate system: horizontal inhomogeneous Gaussian, vertical T-S EOF .

Optimal amplitudes of T-S EOF (\mathbf{y}) are calculated by minimizing the cost function (J) with a nonlinear descent scheme “POpULar”. Model insertion: IAU

Analysis Increment is represented by the linear combination of the EOF modes.

$$\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{x}_f + \mathbf{S} \sum_l w_l \mathbf{U}_l \Lambda_l \mathbf{y}_l \rightarrow \text{Amplitudes of EOFs}$$

Background Constraint Constraint for T, S observation

$$J = \frac{1}{2} \sum_m \sum_l \mathbf{y}_{m,l}^T \mathbf{B}_l^{-1} \mathbf{y}_{m,l} + \frac{1}{2} [\mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{y}) - \mathbf{x}^0]^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} [\mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{y}) - \mathbf{x}^0]$$

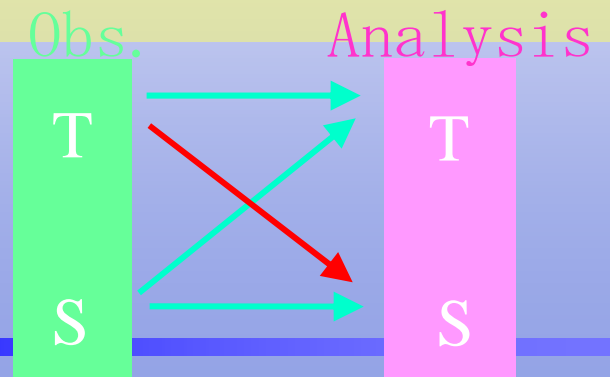
$$+ \frac{1}{2} [\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{y})) - \mathbf{h}^0]^T \mathbf{R}_h^{-1} [\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{y})) - \mathbf{h}^0] + \alpha(\mathbf{y})$$

Constraint for SSH observation

Constraint for quality control

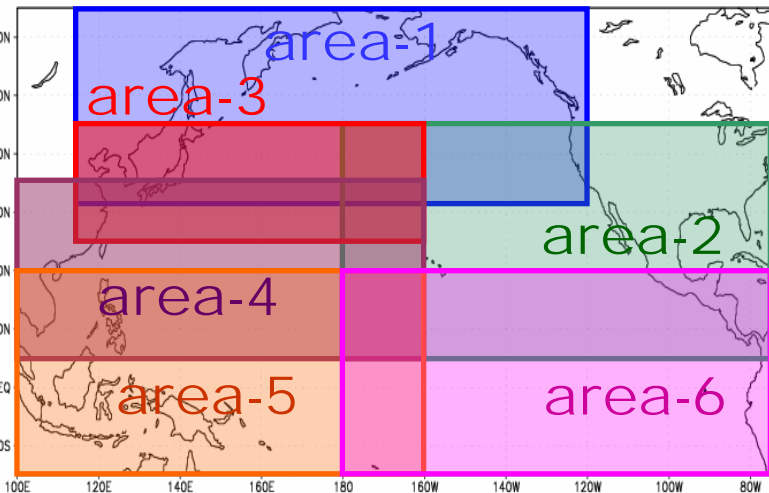
Seek the amplitudes of EOF modes \mathbf{y} minimizing the cost function J .

→ Analysis increment of T and S will be correlated.

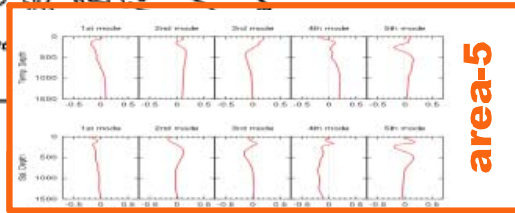
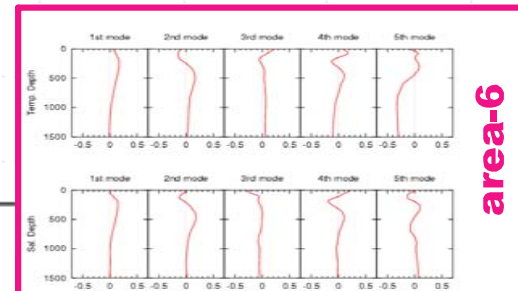
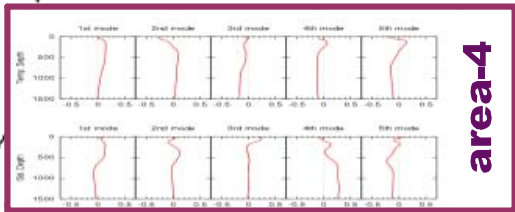
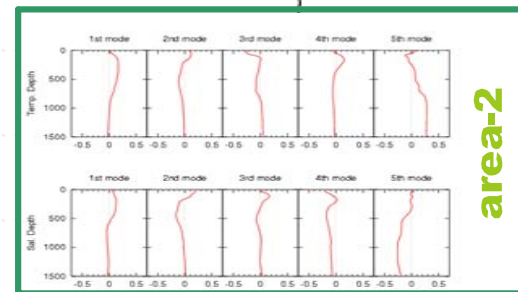
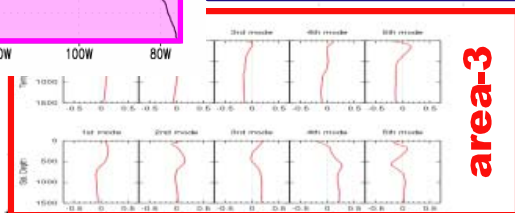
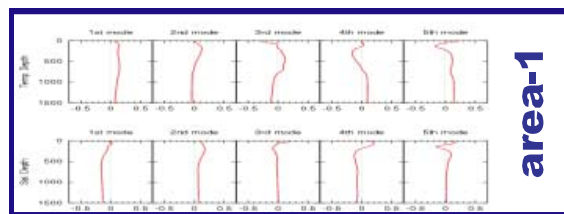


★ Model domain partitioning

Partitioning MOVE-NP



EOF modes are calculated for each subdomain.



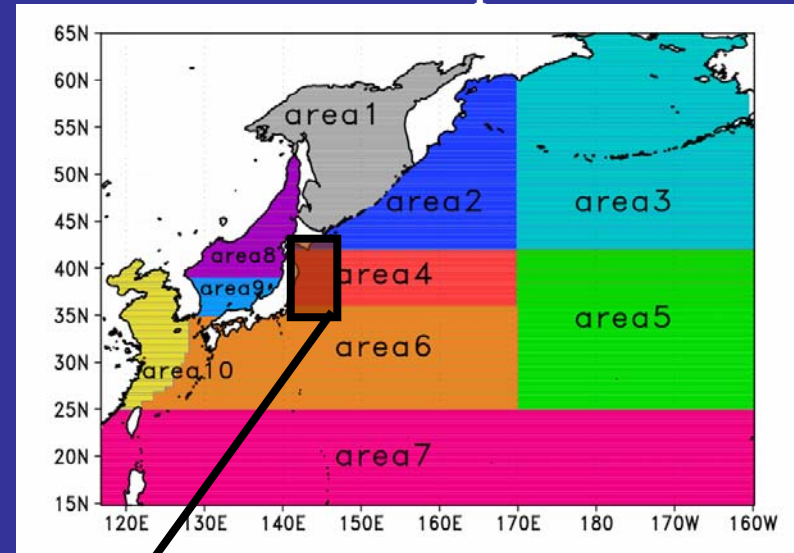
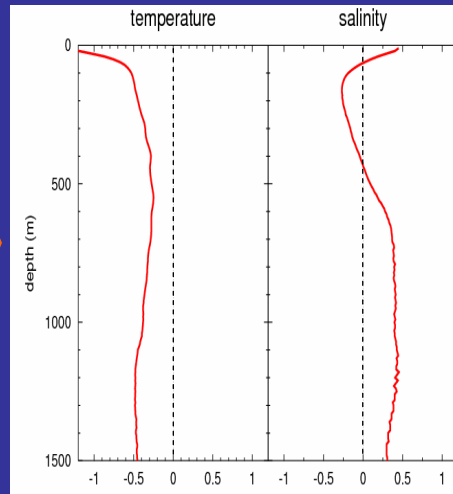
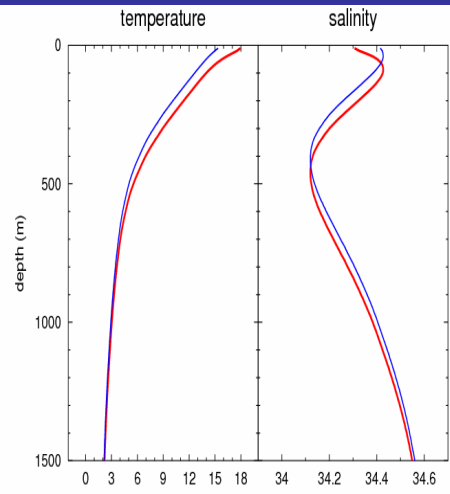
NP:
North Pacific

T-S coupled vertical EOF modes

Mean profile (red) ->
Upward 50m (blue)

Normalized difference of
blue and red

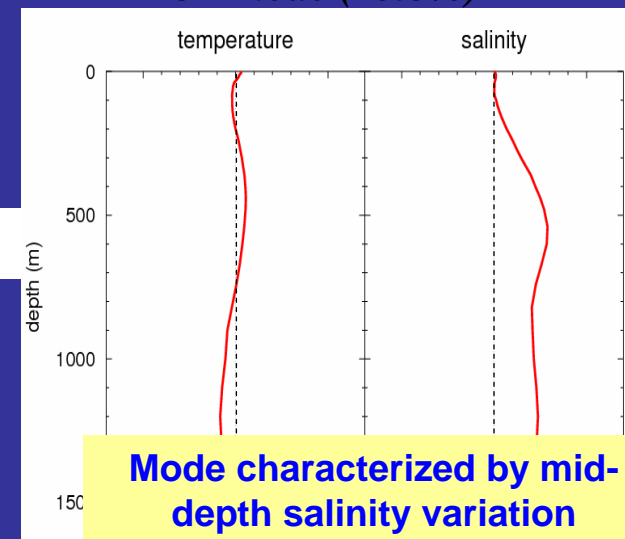
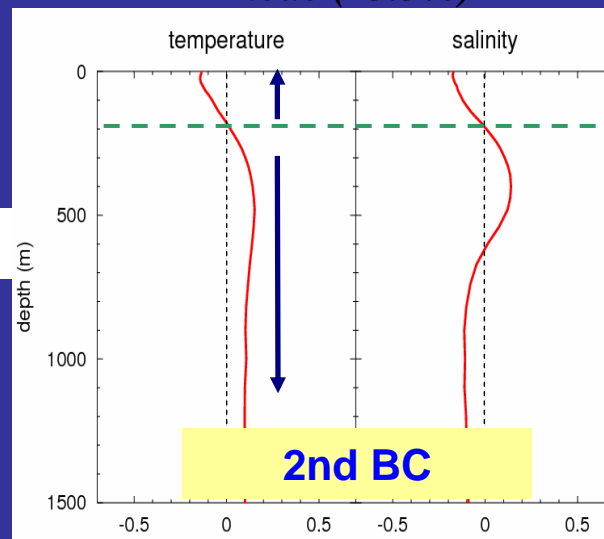
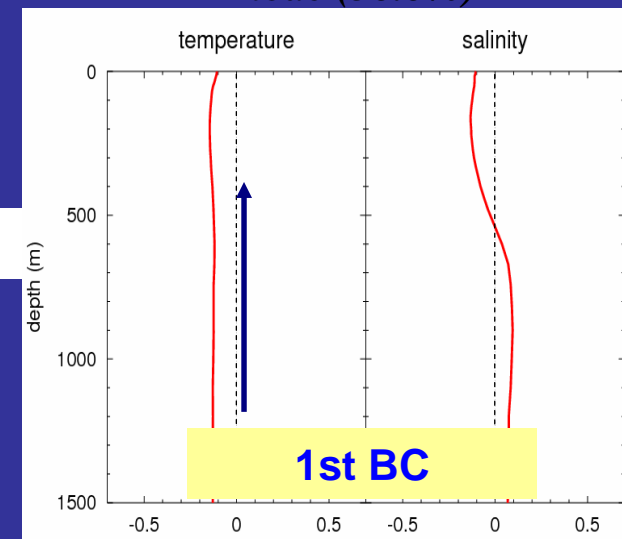
MOVE-WNP partition



1st mode (56.6%)

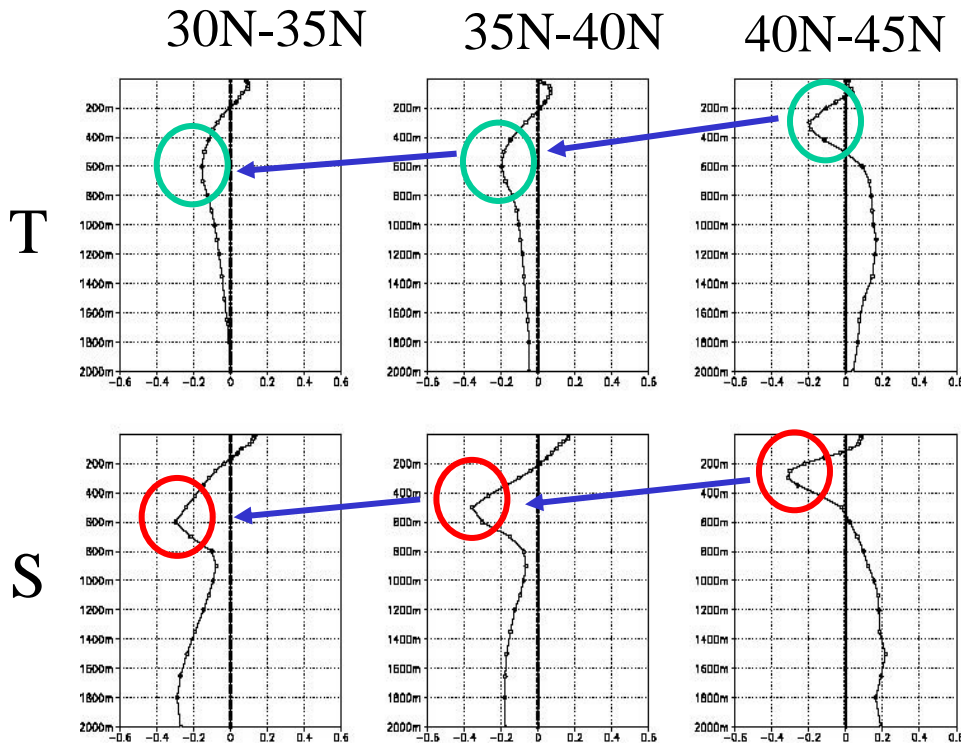
2nd mode (13.3%)

3rd mode (10.6%)

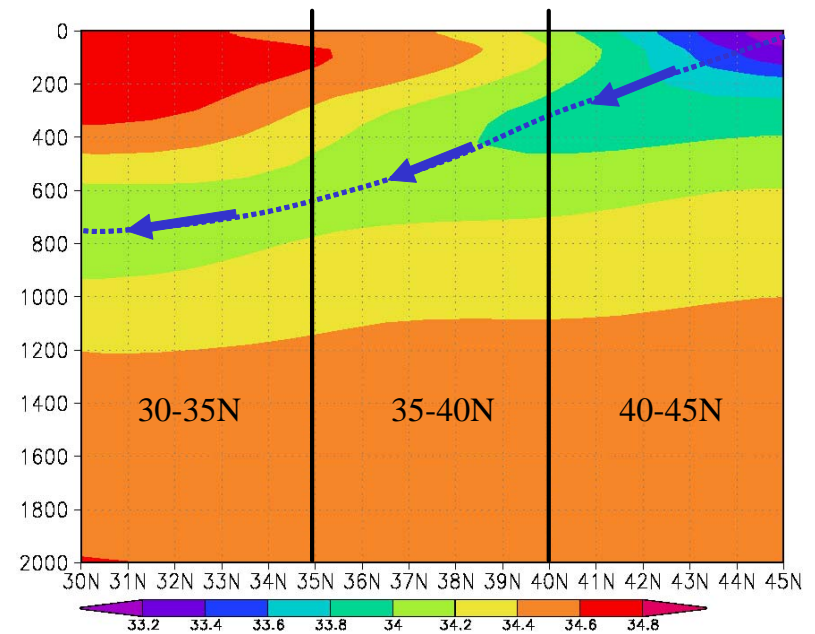


★ Example of Coupled T-S EOF modes

EOF modes representing North Pacific Intermediate Water (NPIW)



TS Climatology in the vertical section of 155E

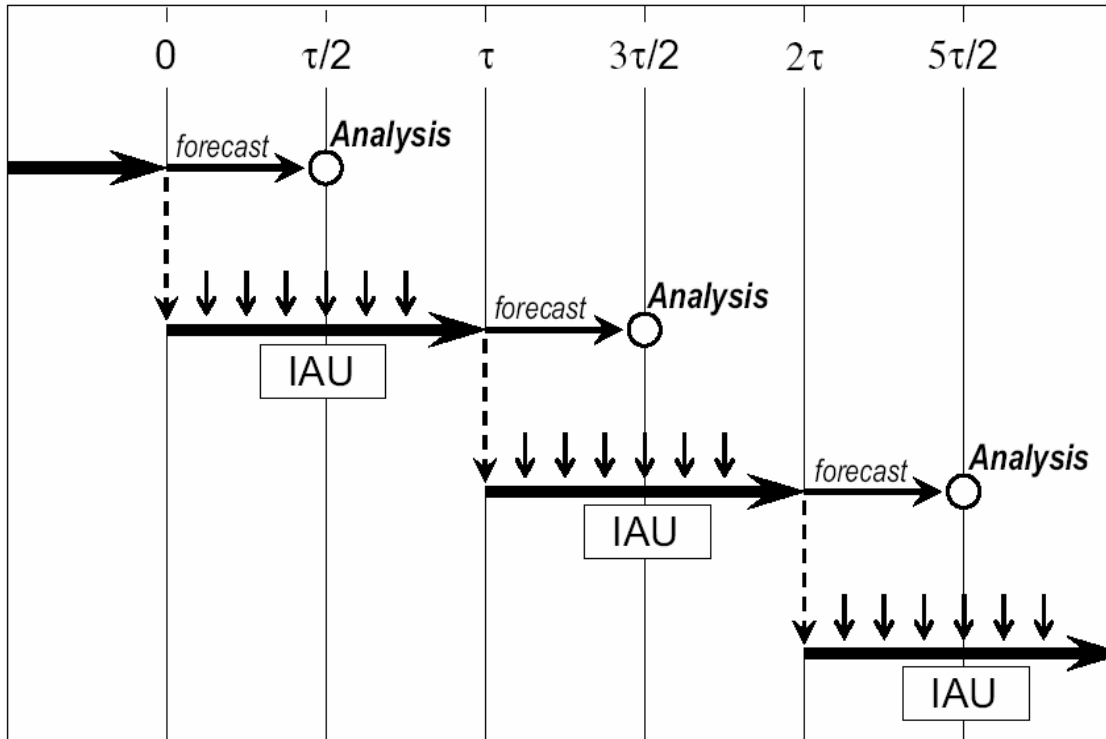


This mode represents

Low salinity water of NPIW → cold water

Model insertion:

Incremental Analysis Updates (IAU; Bloom et al. 1996)



Assimilation cycle in IAU (τ : assimilation window)

Forecast run:

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{x}(t)}{\partial t} = \mathcal{M}[\mathbf{x}(t)]$$

IAU run:

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{x}(t)}{\partial t} = \mathcal{M}[\mathbf{x}(t)] + \boxed{\frac{\Delta \mathbf{x}}{\tau}}$$

Correction
term



Salinity effect (with Argo float)

Salinity impact on the dichothermal structure

1997-2002 mean Color: Temperature Contour: σ_θ

With salinity correction

Temp. and Sigma_theta

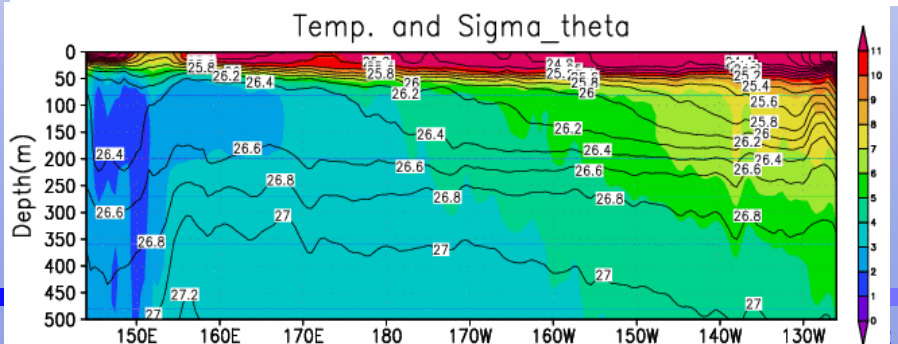
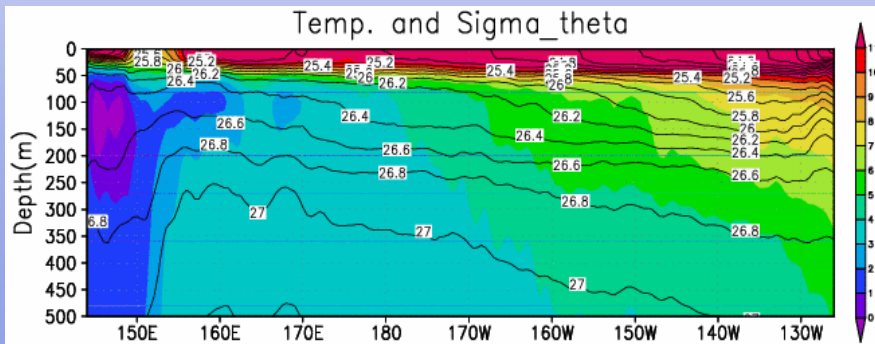
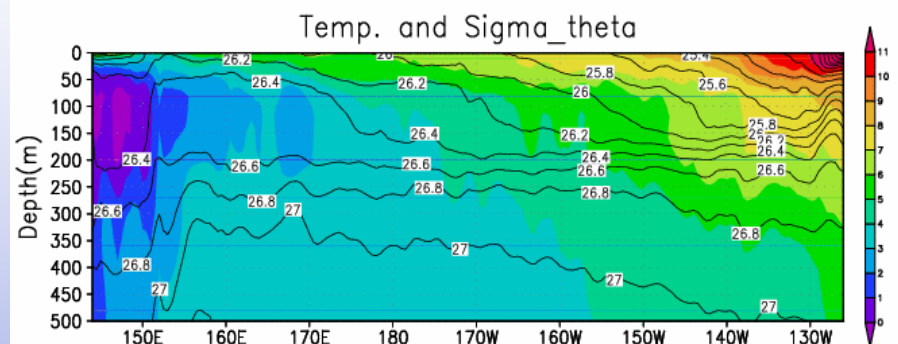
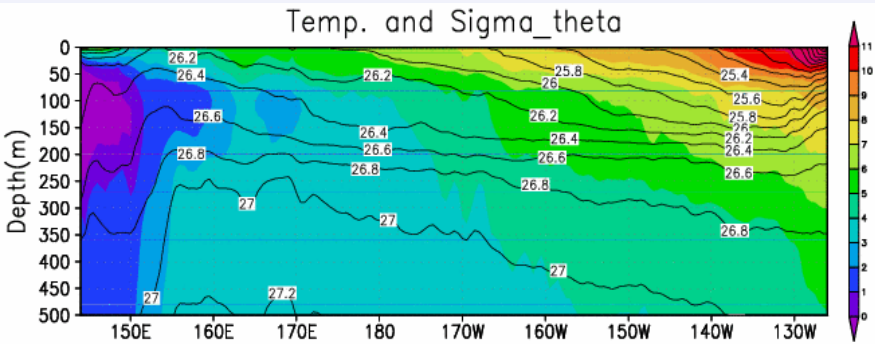
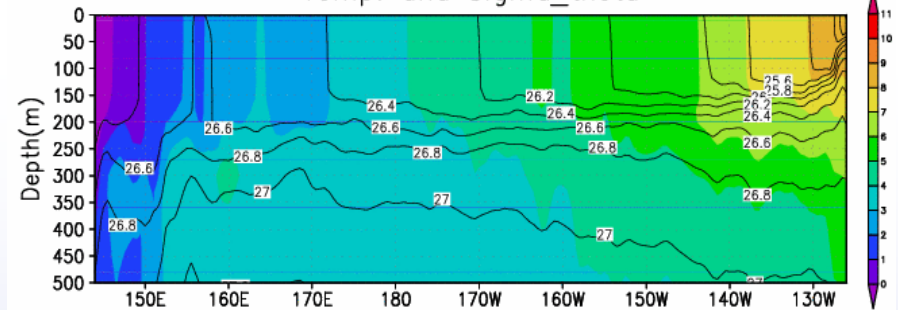
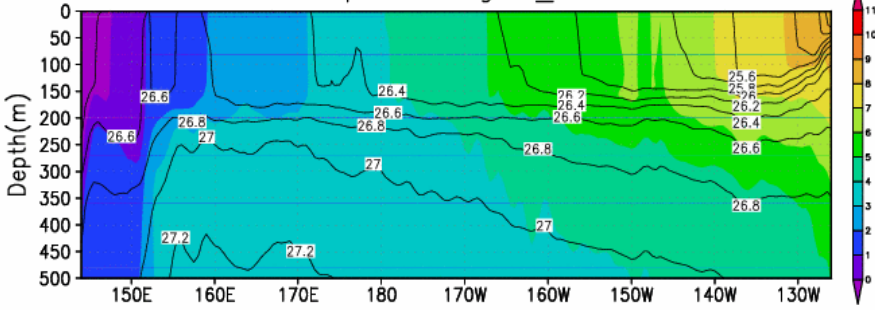
Without salinity correction

Temp. and Sigma_theta

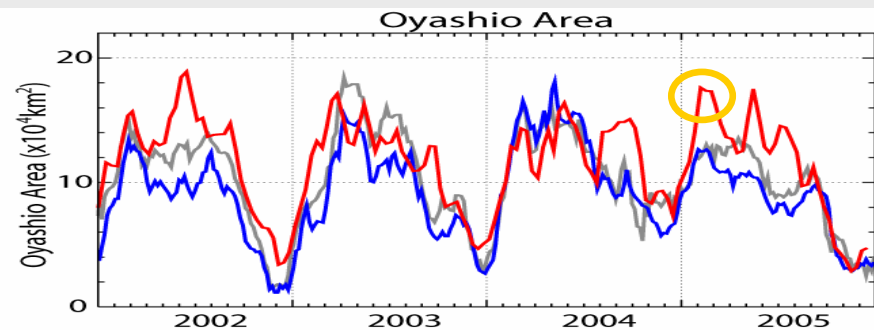
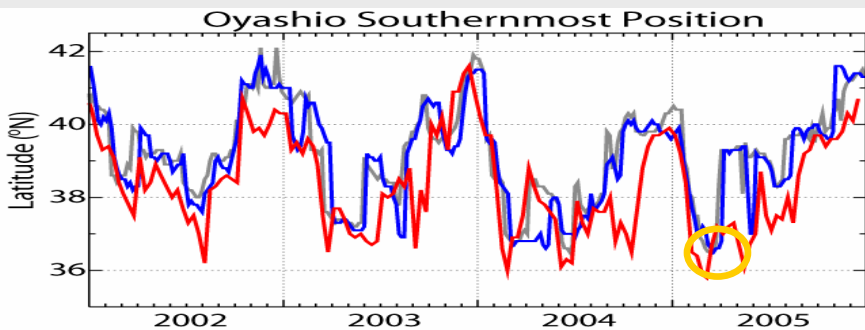
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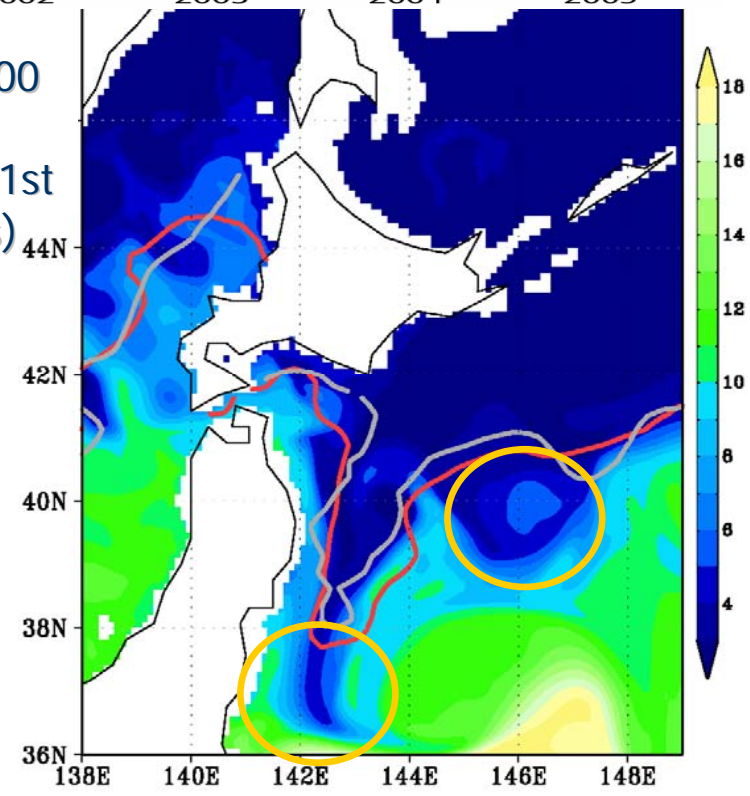
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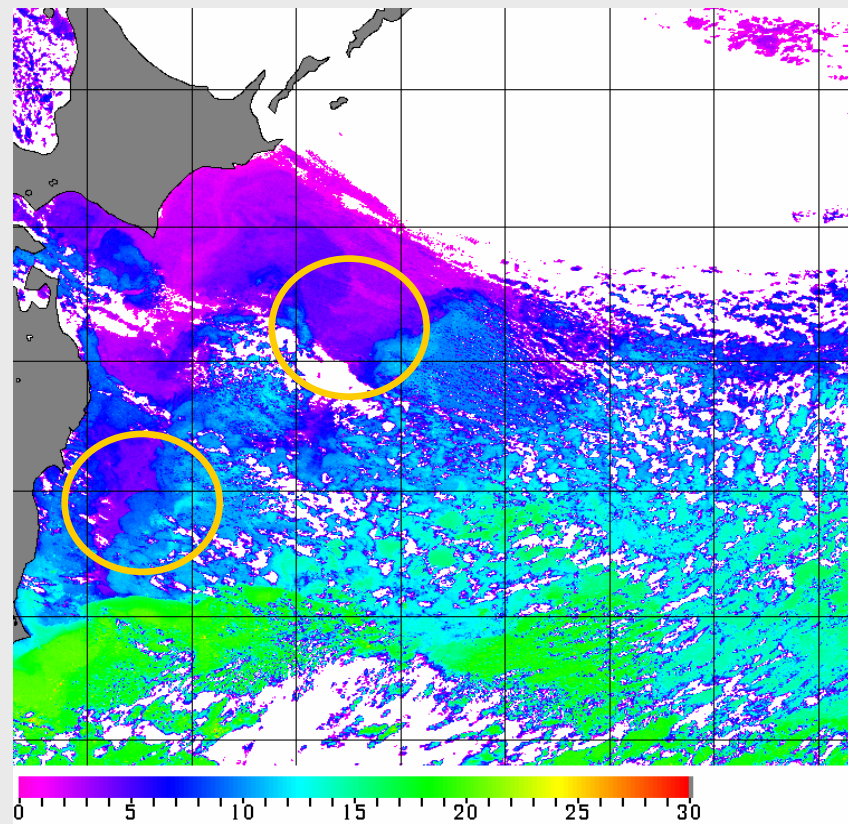
Oyashio in subarctic gyre



Temp(100 m)
(2005/2/1st
10days)



Satellite SST(NOAA@2005/2/3)



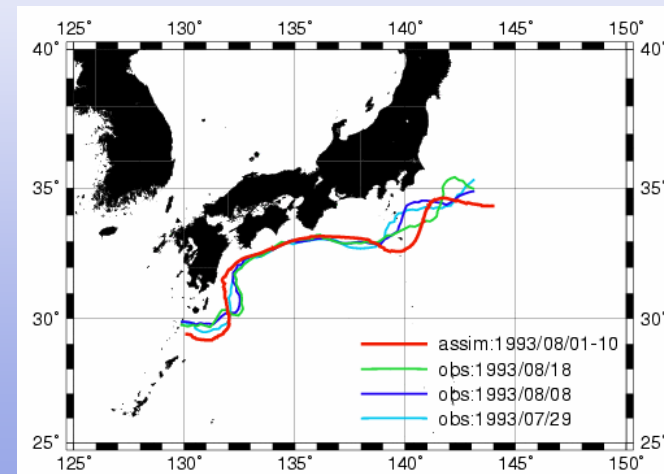
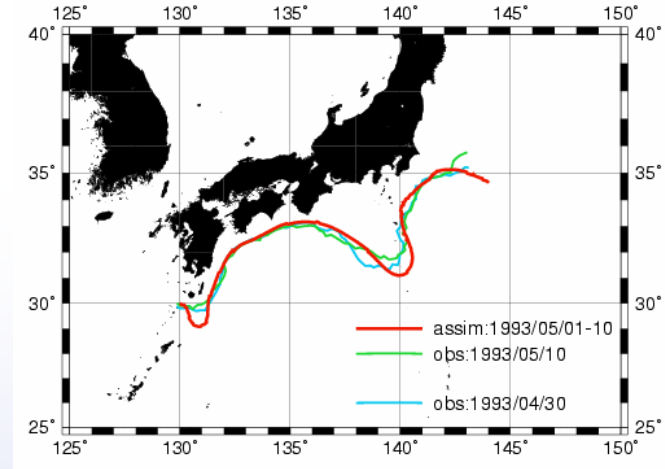
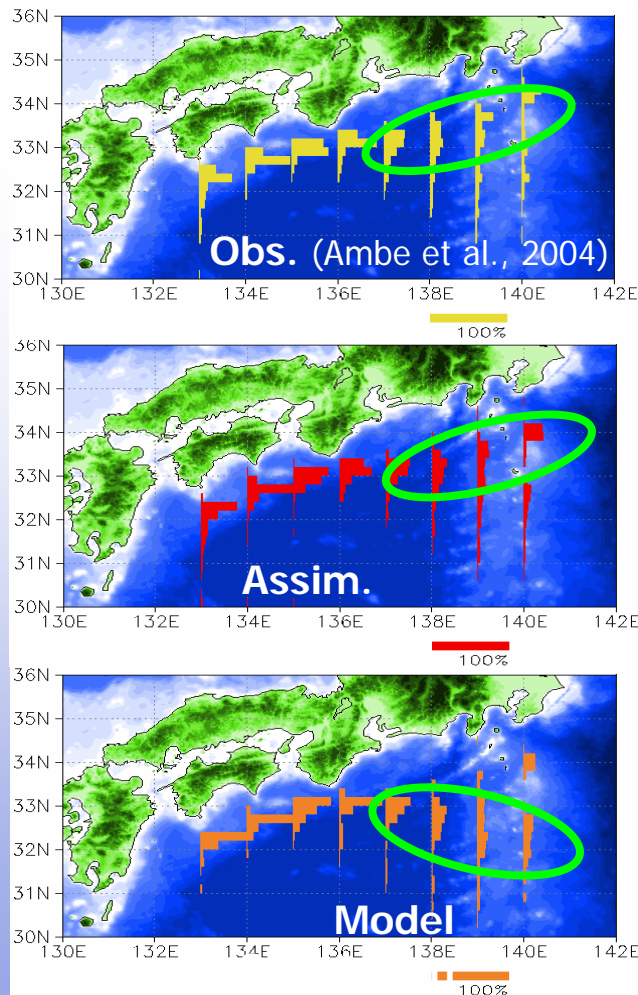
Color: MOVE-WNP

Red: 5°C (COMPASS-K) Gray: 5°C (Obs-OI)



Kuroshio Axis (Representation of Kuroshio front)

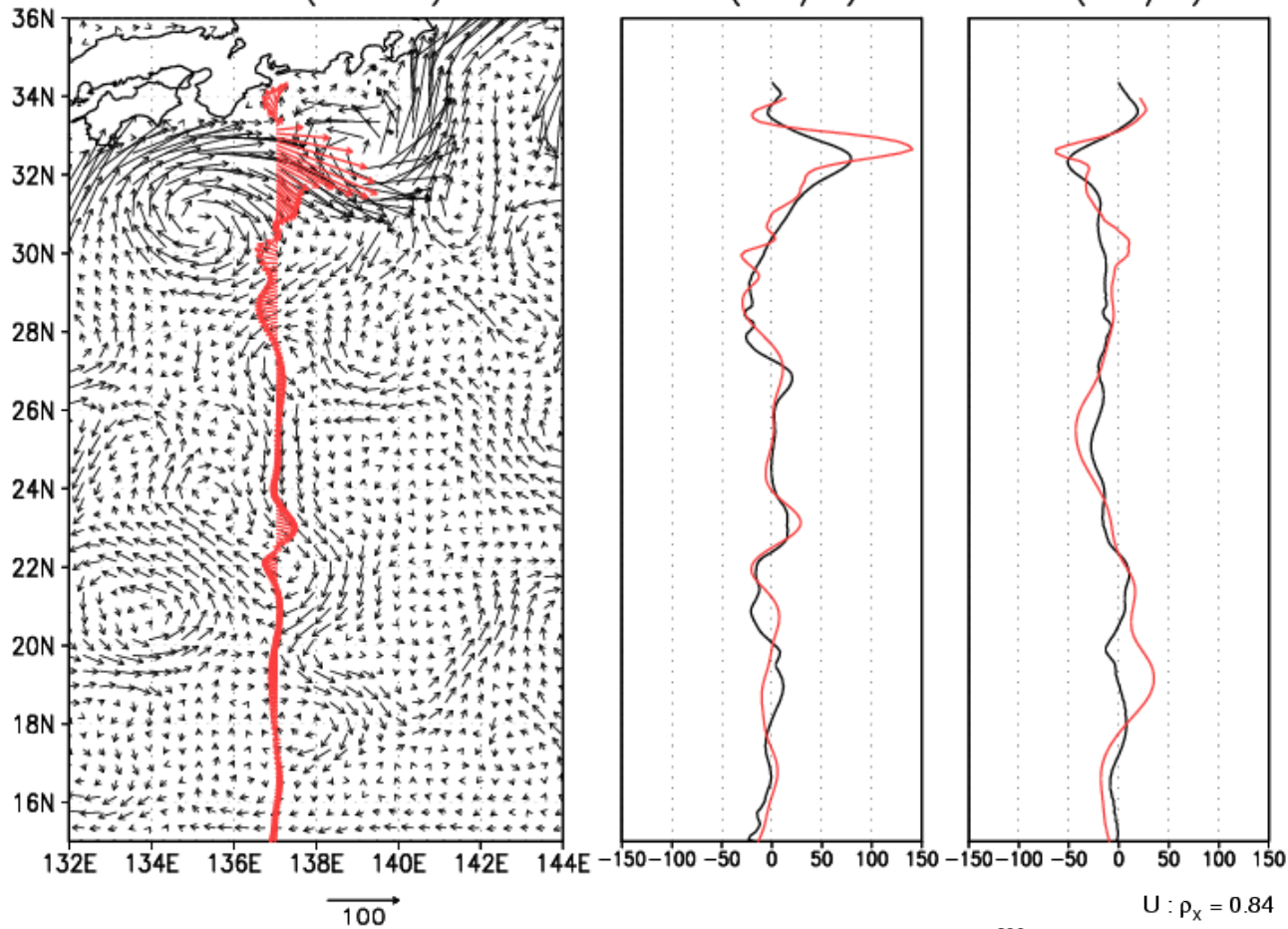
Histogram of the Kuroshio axis position



0105 (uv100)

u (cm/s)

v (cm/s)



Horizontal Velocity

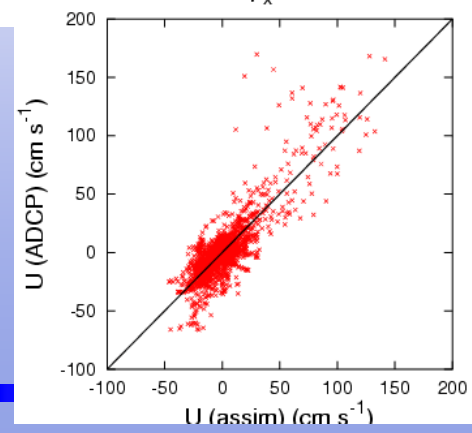
2005/1

Black: Assim (MOVE)
Red: Independent Obs. (ADCP)

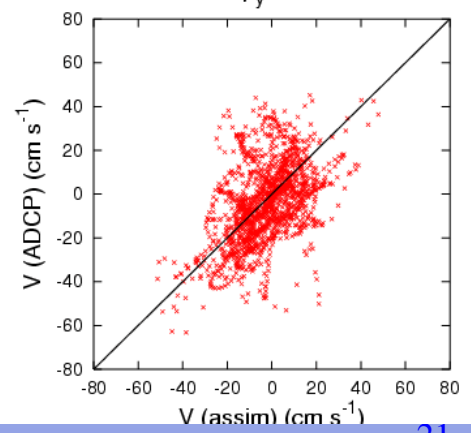
Correlation Coefficient

V variability is smaller->difficult

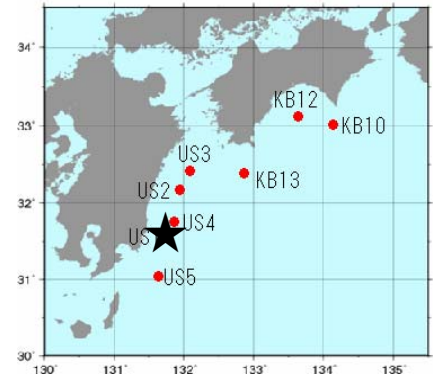
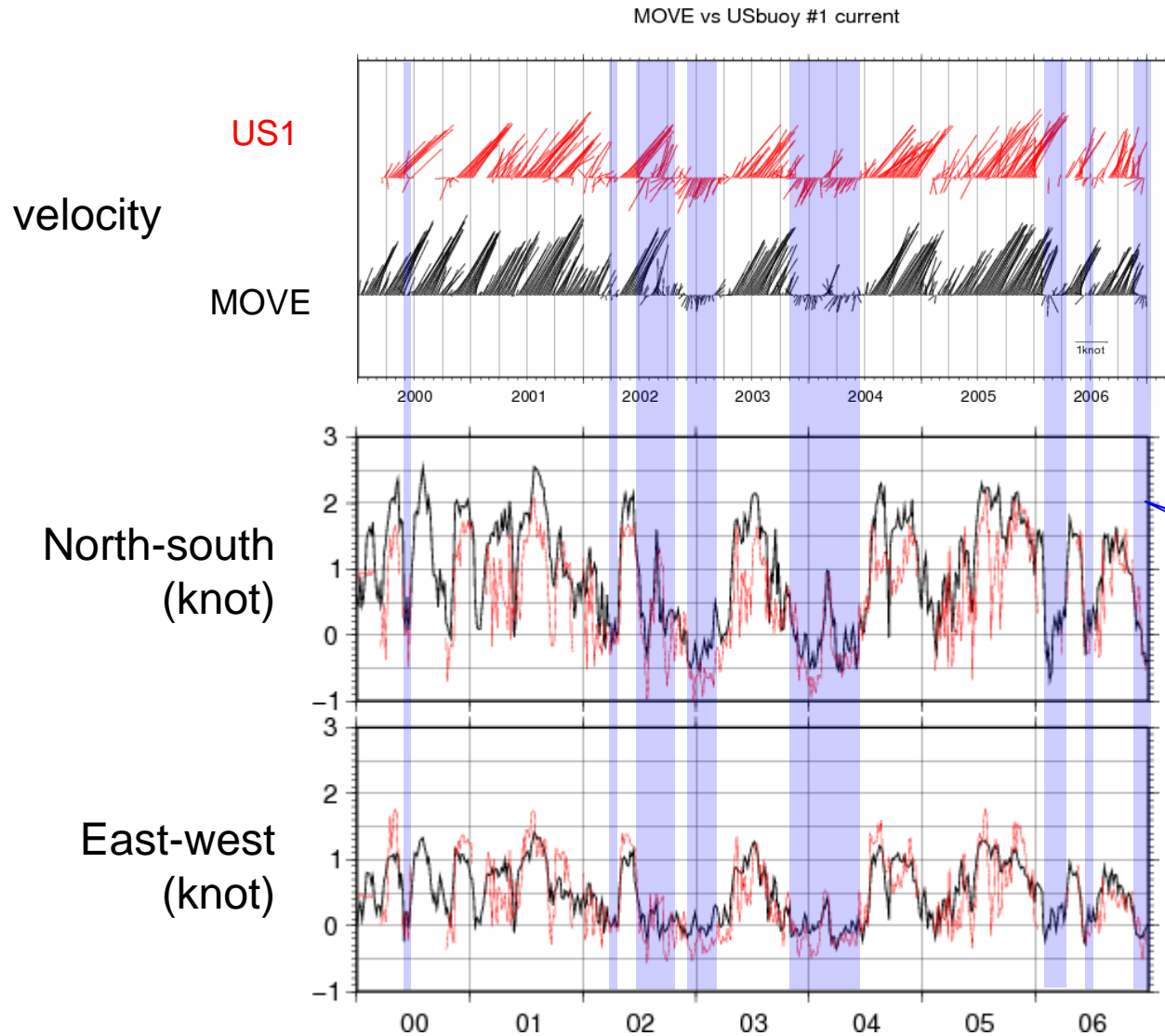
U : $\rho_x = 0.84$



V : $\rho_y = 0.47$



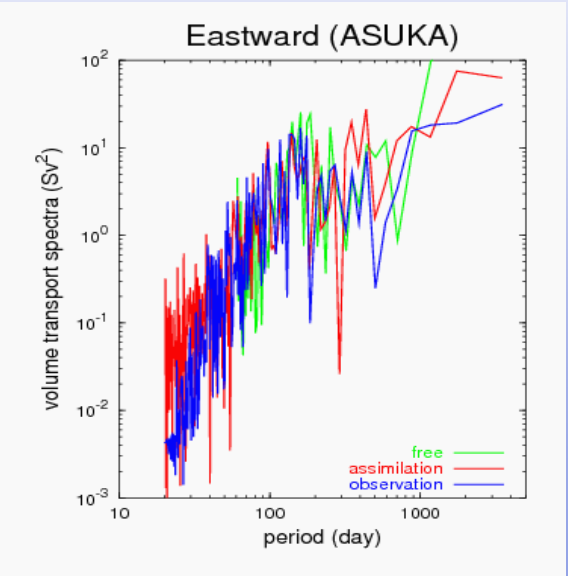
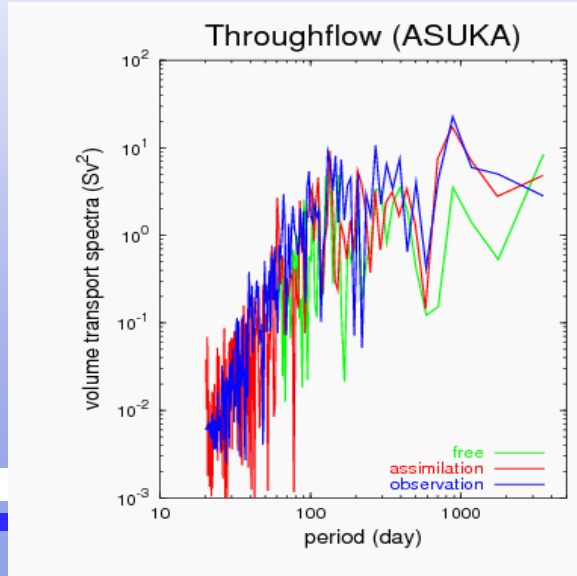
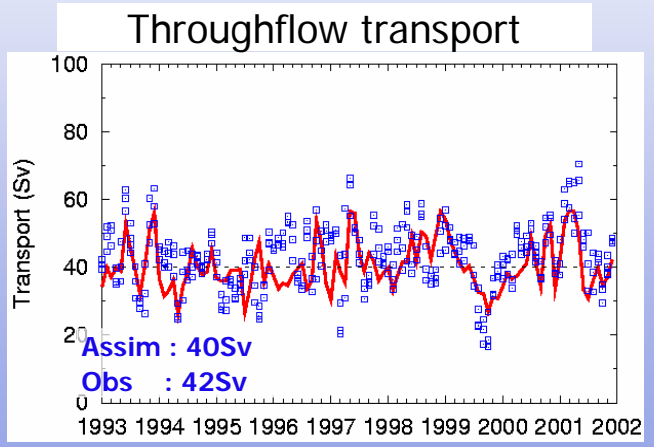
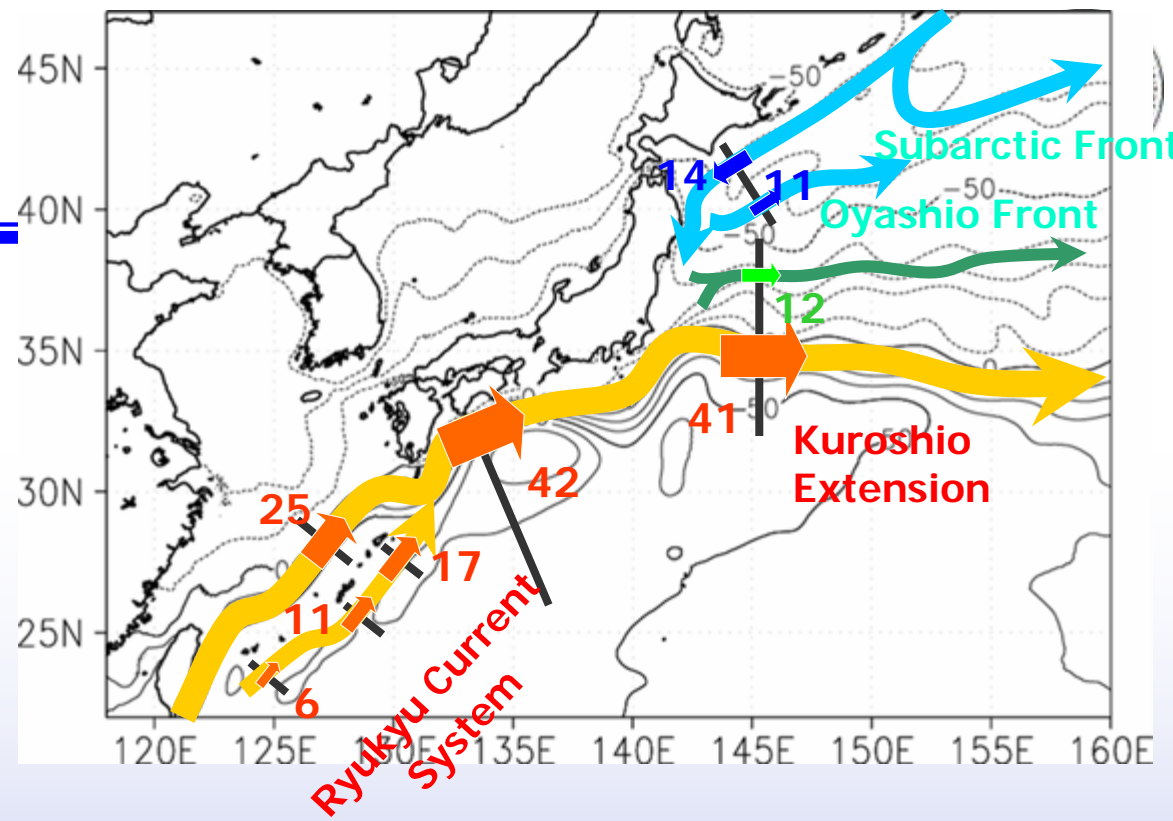
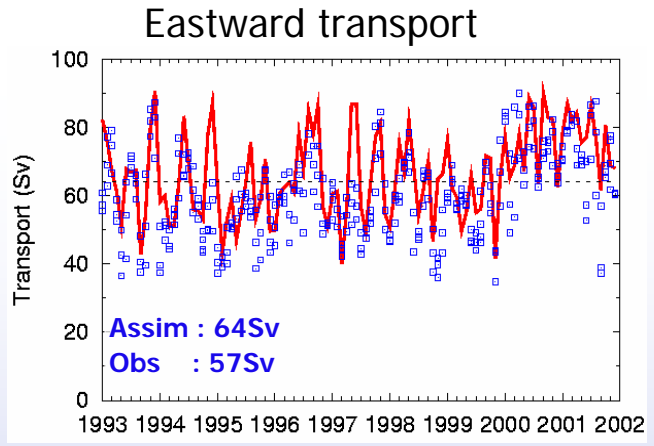
Comparison with Umisachi buoy #1 (2000-2006)



Shaded region:
Small meander period



Kuroshio volume transport



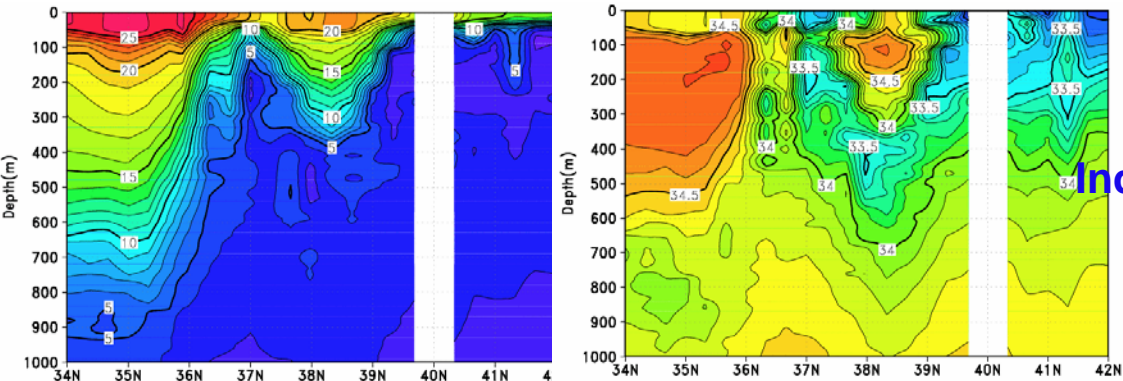
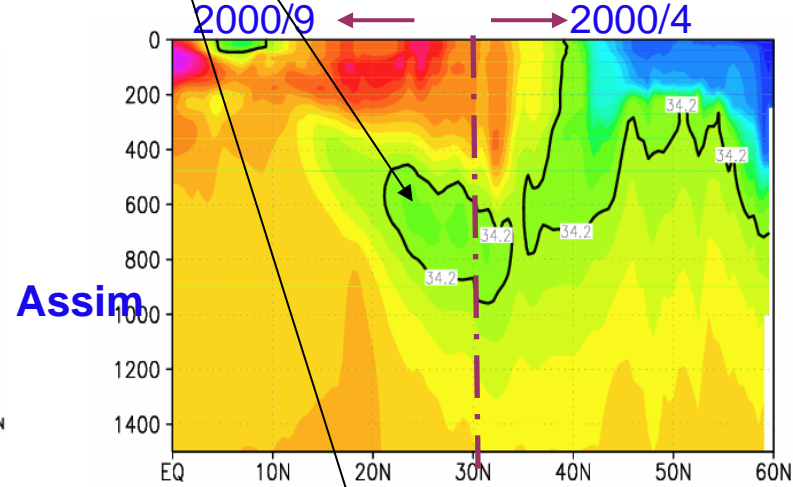
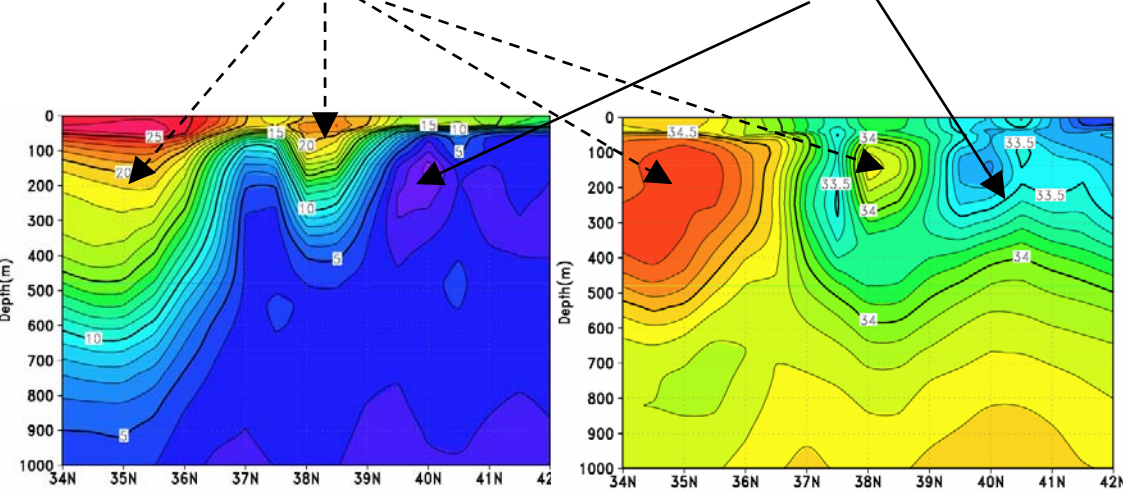
throughflow = eastward - westward

Examples of Water Mass in the North Pacific

Mesoscale eddy and water mass
(2000/10, vertical section along 144E)

North Pacific Intermediate Water
Salinity-min. (165E, 2000/4 and 9)

Kuroshio (subtropical) and Oyashio (subpolar) waters

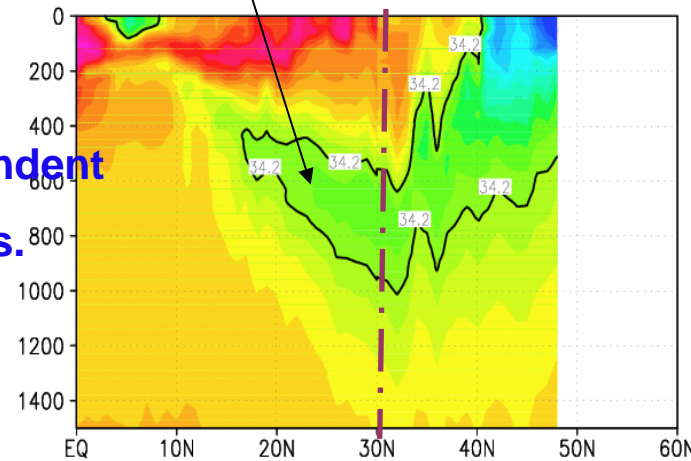


Temperature

Salinity

Independent

Obs.





OHC (mean T) and BLT (1949-2005) Eq. Pac.



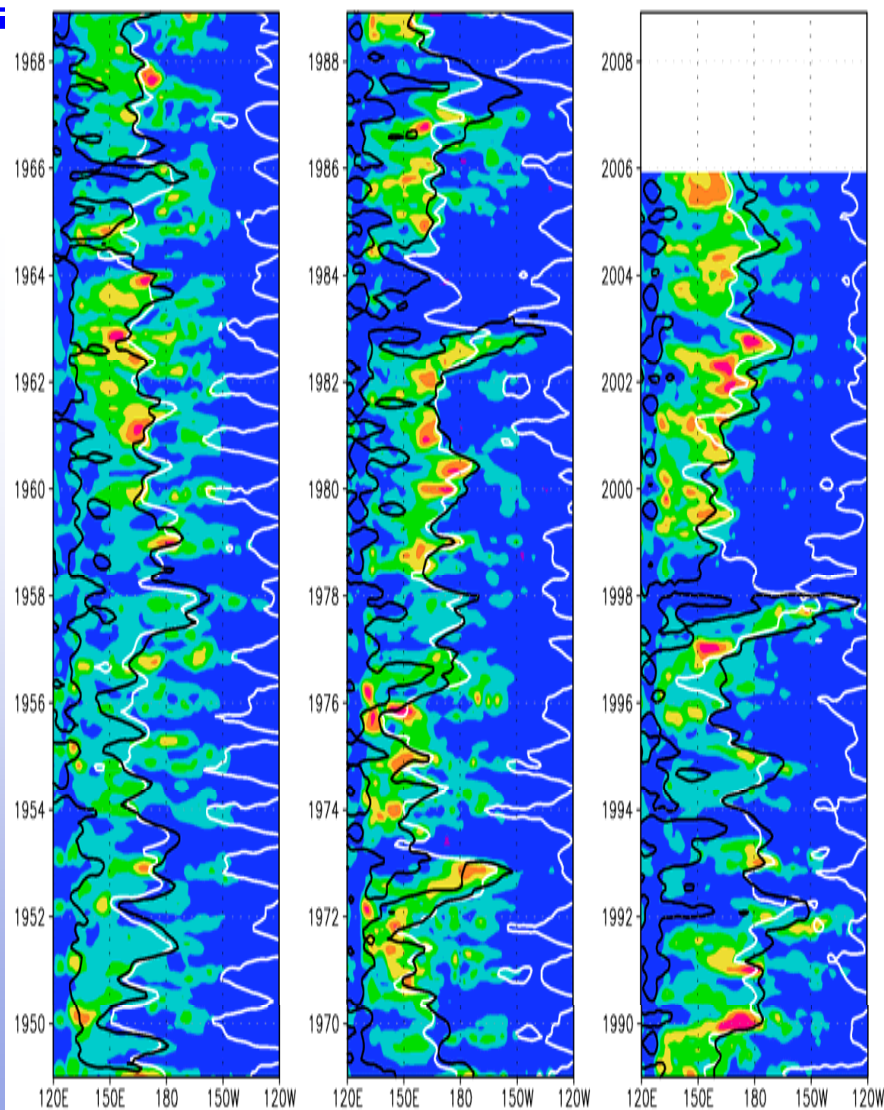
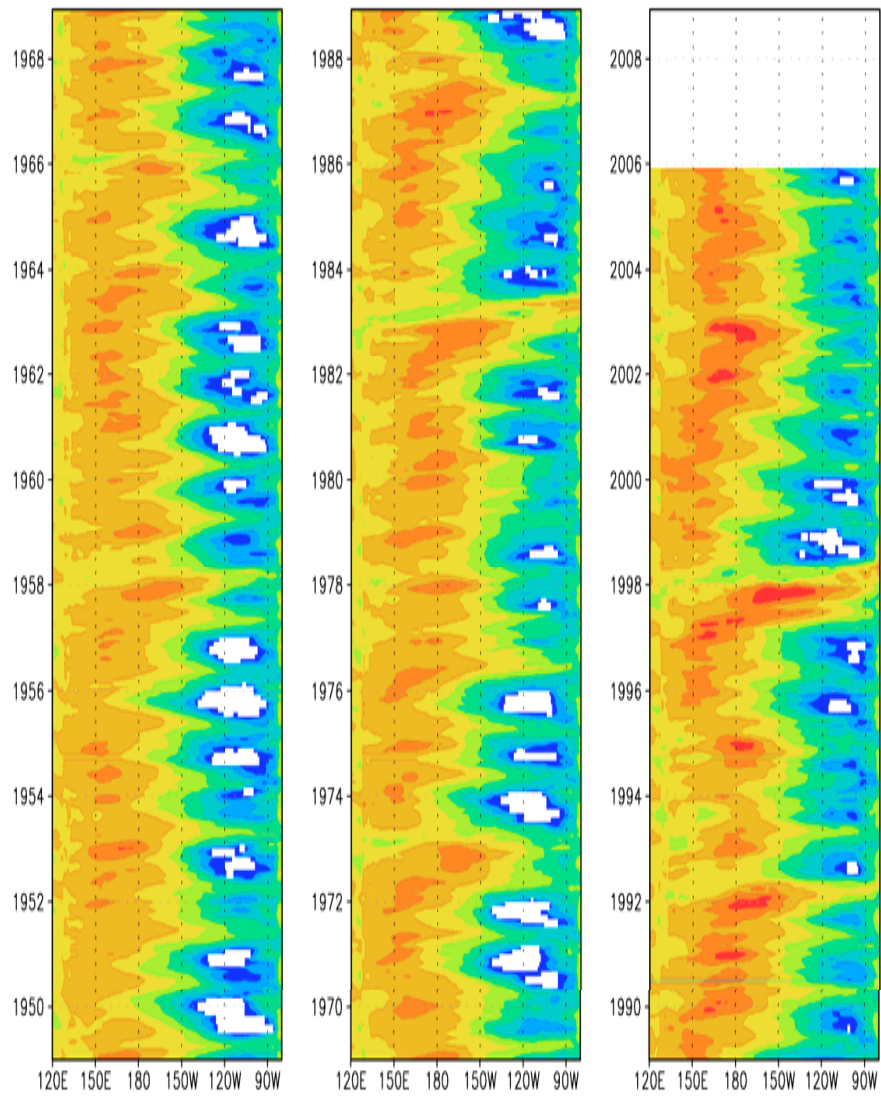
BLT (color), SST (29.0deg.,

EQ VAT upperT20degC

BLT(m) '49-'05

B:SST=29.0degC

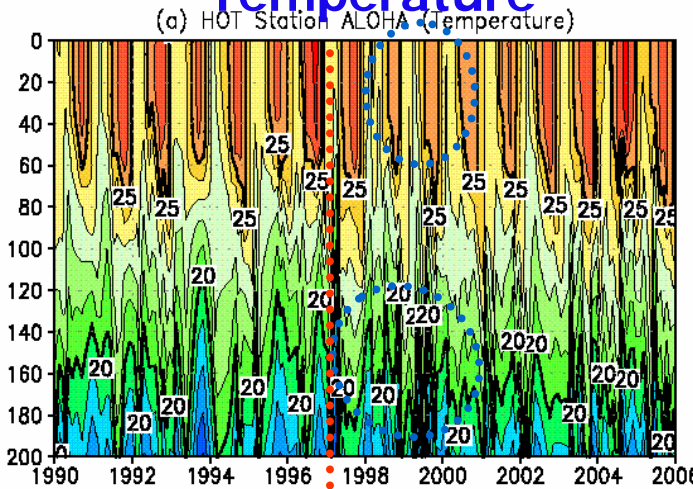
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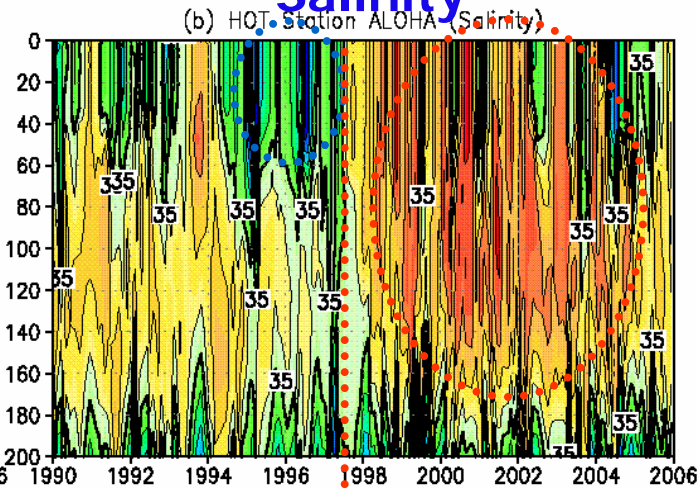


Interannual variability (Time series comparison with HOT Station ALOHA)

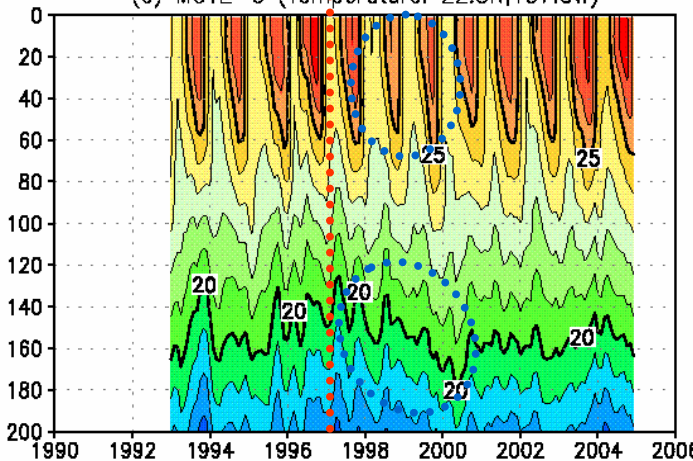
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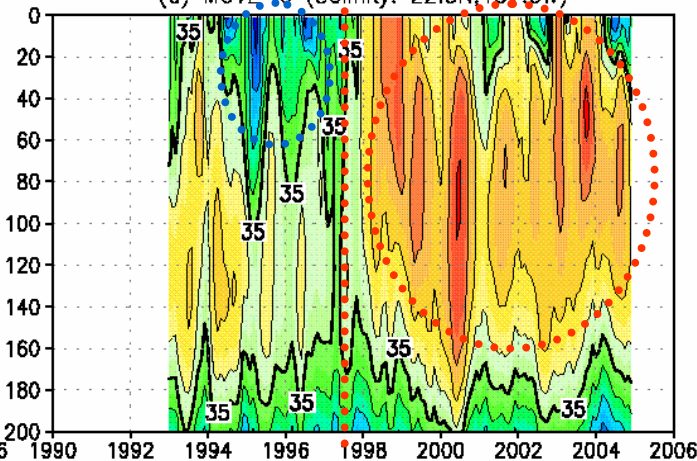
Salinity



(c) MOVE-G (Temperature: 22.5N,157.5W)



(d) MOVE-G (Salinity: 22.5N,157.5W)



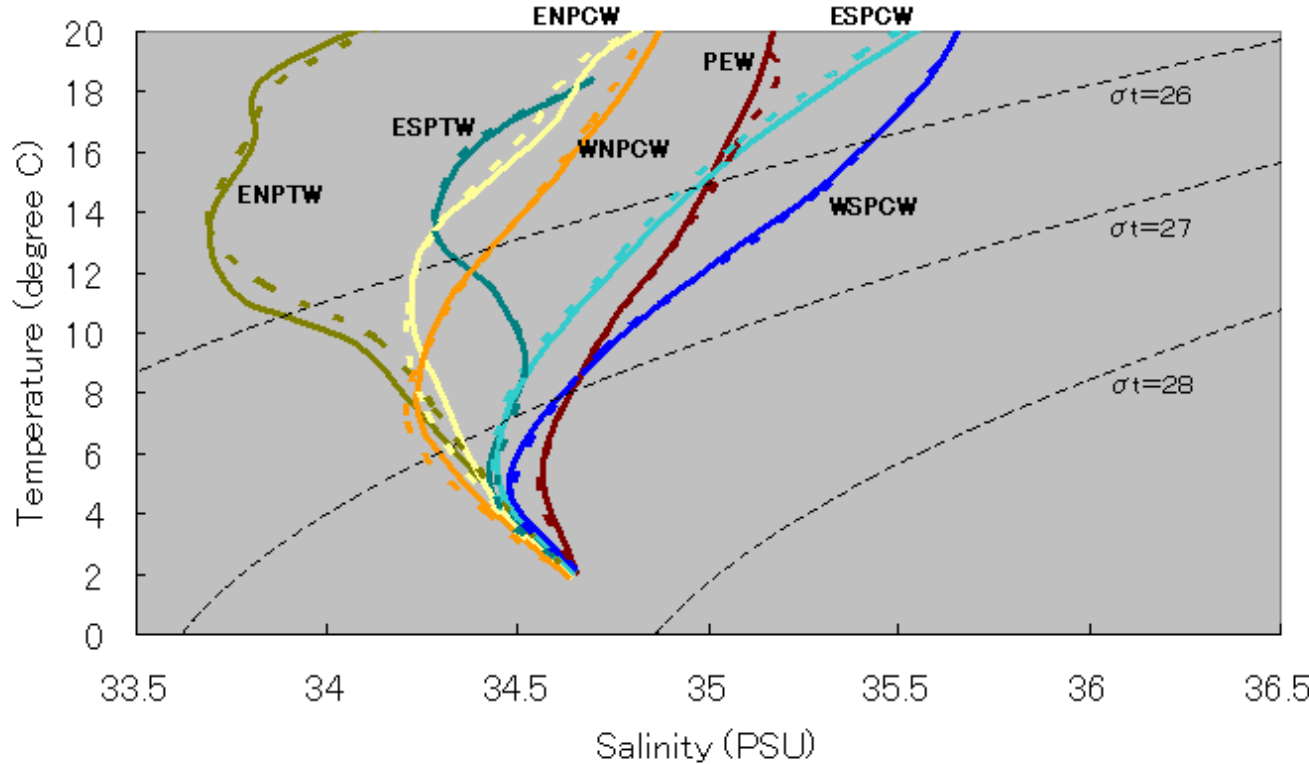
Obs.
(ALOHA)

MOVE-G

1997/98 El Niño: dried near Hawaii → higher Salinity (Lukas, 2001)
Interannual variation of the subtropical gyre (Nakano et al, 2008)

Example of water mass analysis using reanalysis dataset

Water Masses of the Pacific Ocean (MOVE-G -- WOA01)

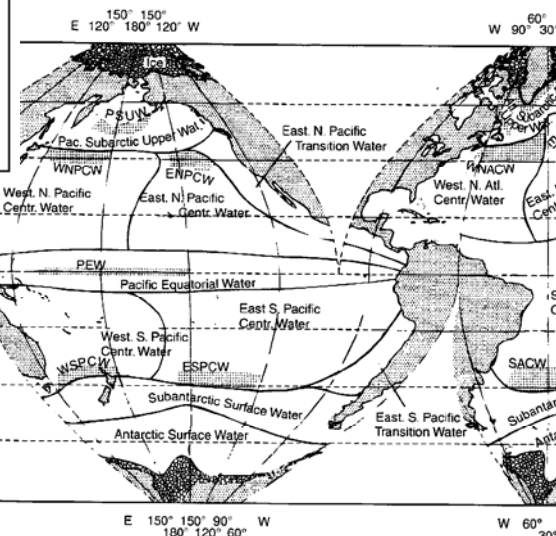


Water Type
(Mean value in 1949-2005 vs. Climatology)

Take mean in time
->
Take mean in each region
and
on each density surface

WATER TYPES AND WATER

Emery 2001

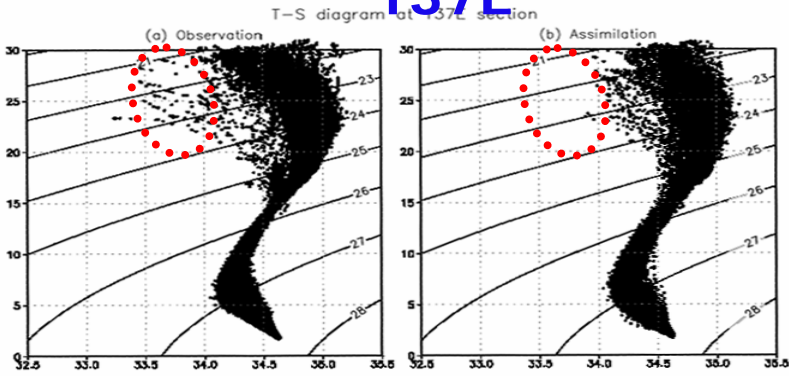


ENPTW: Eastern North Pacific Tropical Water
ESPTW: South
ENPCW: Eastern North Pacific Central Water
WNPCW: Western
PEW: Pacific Equatorial Water
ESPCW: Eastern South Pacific Central Water
WSPCW: Western

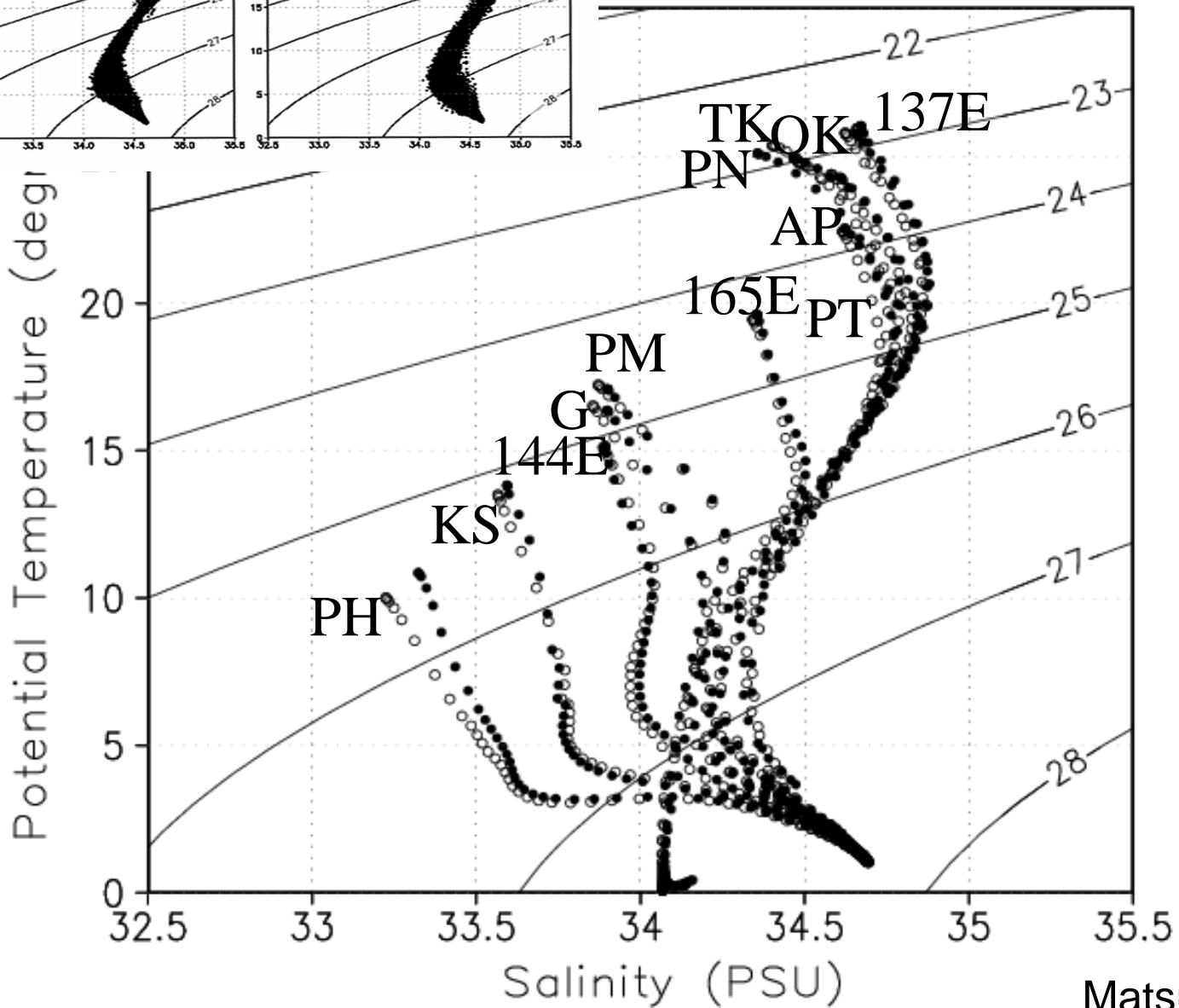
Matsumoto et al., 2008

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Water Mass Compared with Obs.



LL LINE: ALL



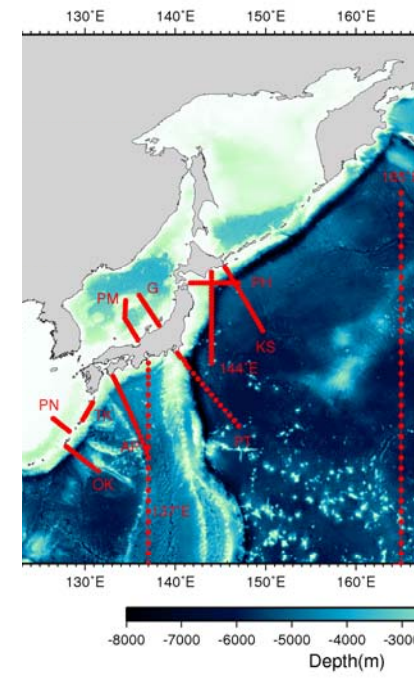
- : Observation
- : MOVE-WNP

Mean value in 1993 to 2005

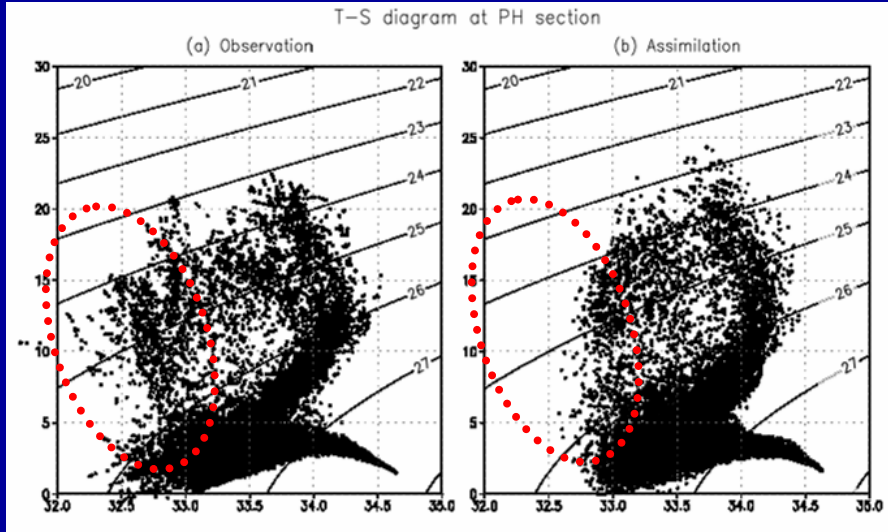
Mean along each line (same obs. point, depth, period)

Bias in depth, density (T & S)

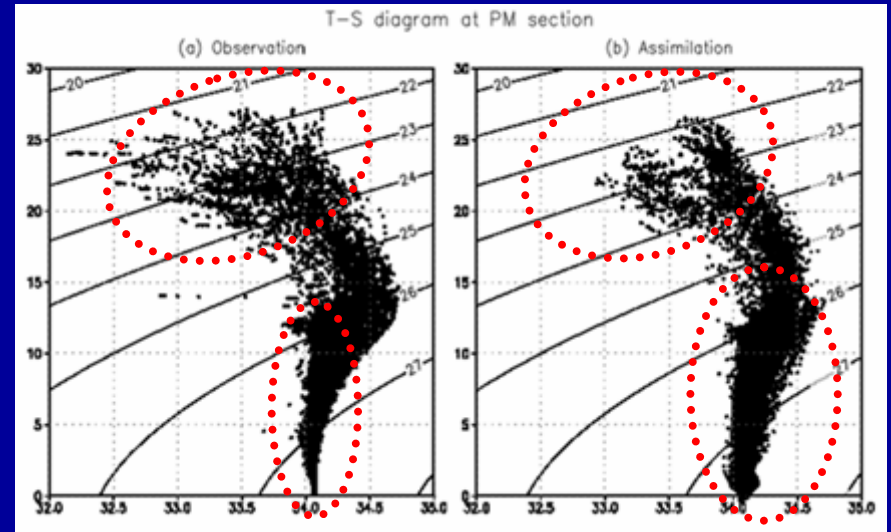
Model bias $z > 800\text{m}$ in Japan Sea (PM)



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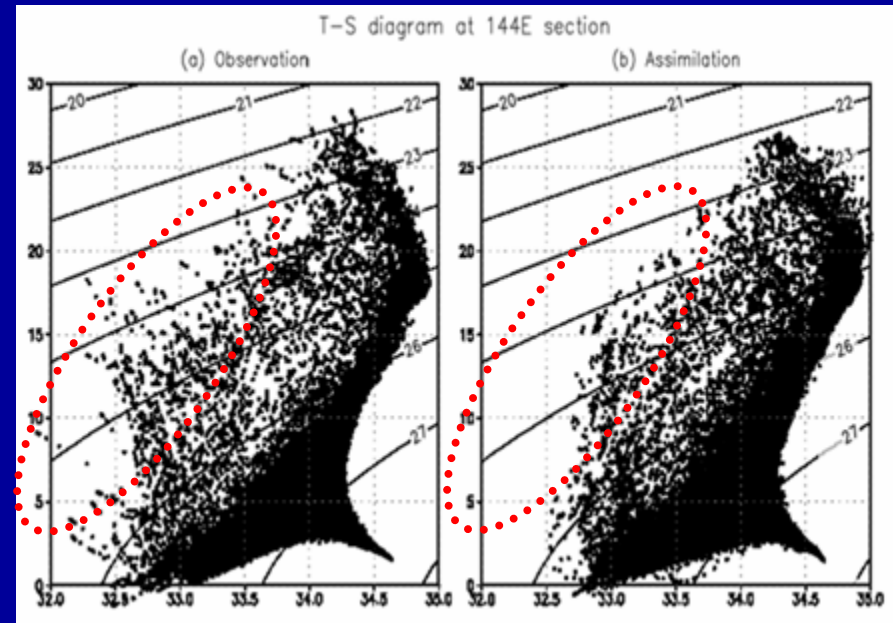
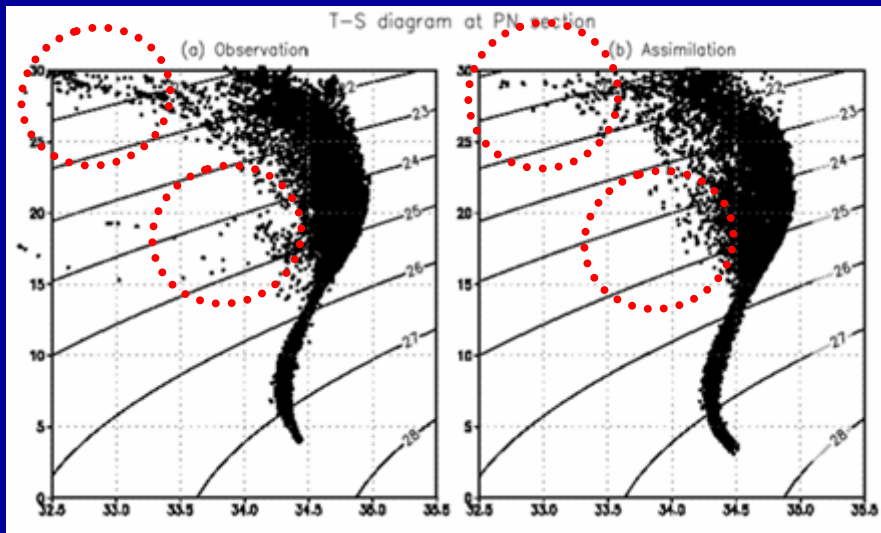


PM



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PN



COMPASS-K (former Operational Ocean Assimilation/Prediction System in Japan Meteorological Agency) Success of 60-day Prediction of the 2004 Kuroshio Large Meande

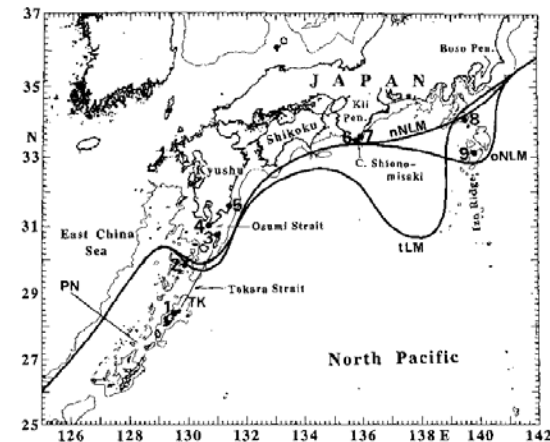
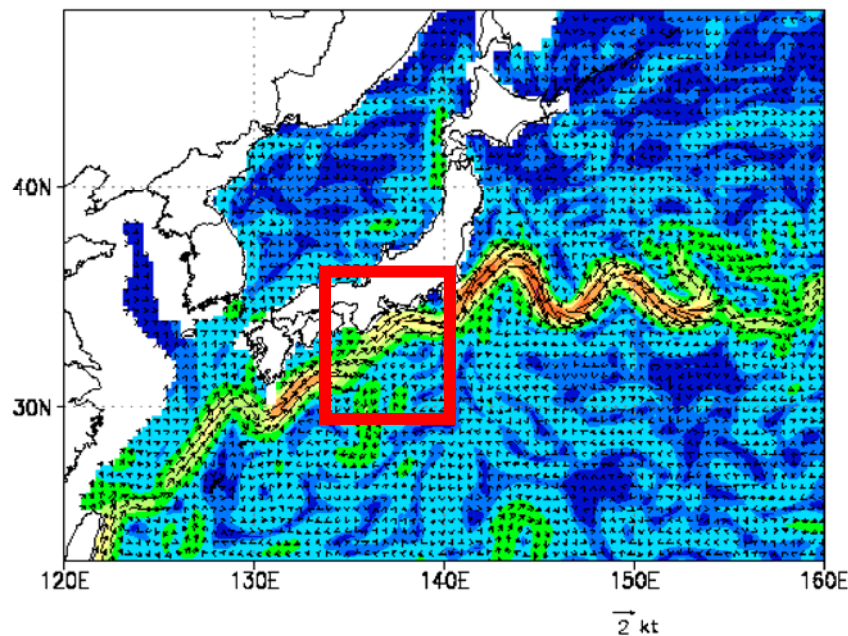
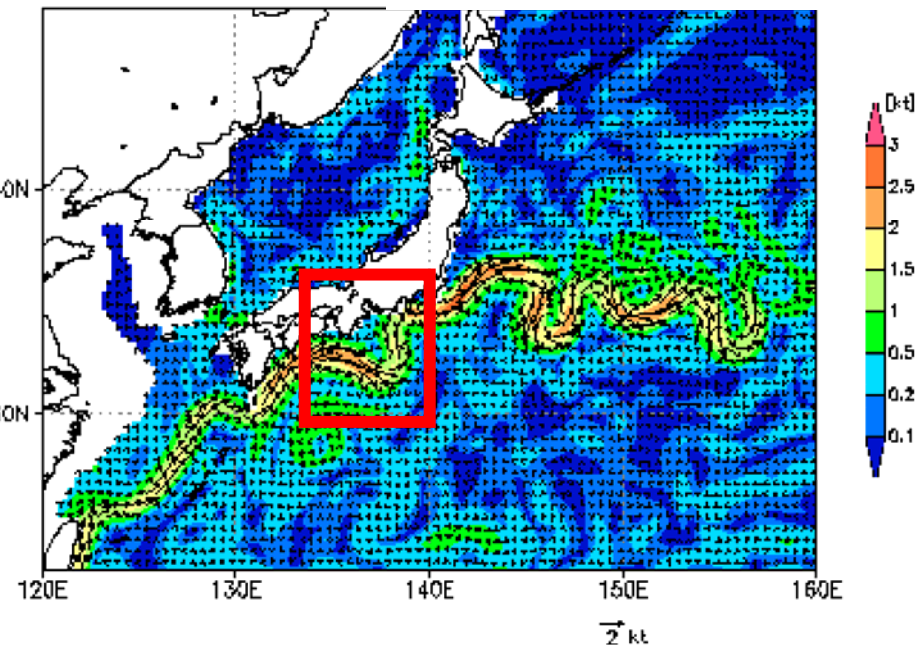


FIG. 1. Tide stations and the typical paths of the Kuroshio. Thin lines are 500-m isobaths. The lines of PN and TK are CTD lines of the JMA Nagasaki Marine Observatory's: 1) Naze, 2) Nakanoshima, 3) Nishinoomote, 4) Odomari, 5) Aburatsubo, 6) Kushimoto, 7) Urugami, 8) Miyake-jima, 9) Hachijo-jima. nNLM is the nearshore non-large-meander (NLM) path; oNLM is the offshore NLM path; tLM is the typical large-meander (LM) path.



Assim/initial state (2004/05/09)



Forecast (2004/06/30)

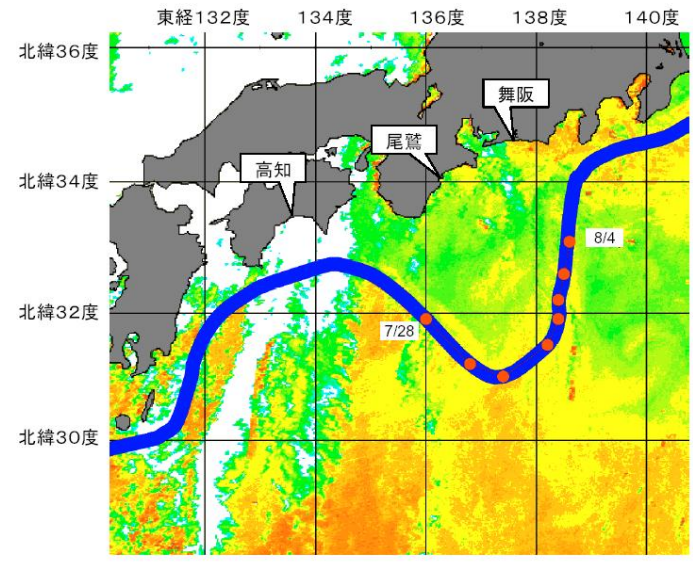


Press Release (Kuroshio Large Meander)



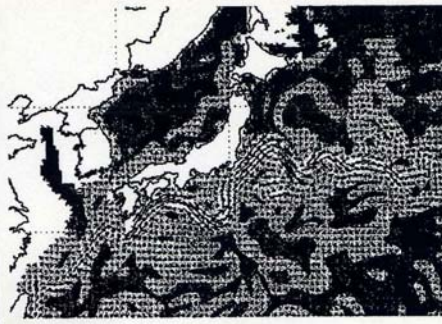
JMA called societies attention to the Kuroshio large meander's influence to fisheries and shipping industries etc. in May 2004.

2004/05 -> 2004/08



8月4日現在の黒潮の推定流路

13年ぶり黒潮大蛇行



黒潮は東海中で海流を北上し、太平洋側を流れる。黒潮大蛇行は、黒潮が通常のコースから大きく逸脱して、北緯36度付近まで北上し、東経134度付近まで西進する現象を指す。今年もこの現象が観測された。黒潮大蛇行は、漁業や航行に影響を及ぼす。今年もこの現象が観測された。黒潮大蛇行は、漁業や航行に影響を及ぼす。

4/2 毎日 (9)

カツオ、トビウオ激減

収束の見込みなく... 漁師 悲鳴

日本近海の流れ図 (4月18日現在)。神のように見えるのが黒潮。気象庁提供

Mainichi Newspaper
2005/04/22
Bonito, flying fish
decreased markedly
Fisherman cries ...!

カツオは黒潮に依存して繁殖している。黒潮大蛇行は、カツオの産卵場を遠ざけ、産卵数を減少させる。また、カツオの稚魚の成長にも悪影響を及ぼす。漁師は、カツオの激減を悲しんでいる。カツオは黒潮に依存して繁殖している。黒潮大蛇行は、カツオの産卵場を遠ざけ、産卵数を減少させる。また、カツオの稚魚の成長にも悪影響を及ぼす。漁師は、カツオの激減を悲しんでいる。



Prediction Real state (assimilation)

MOVE-WNP (0.1 deg.)

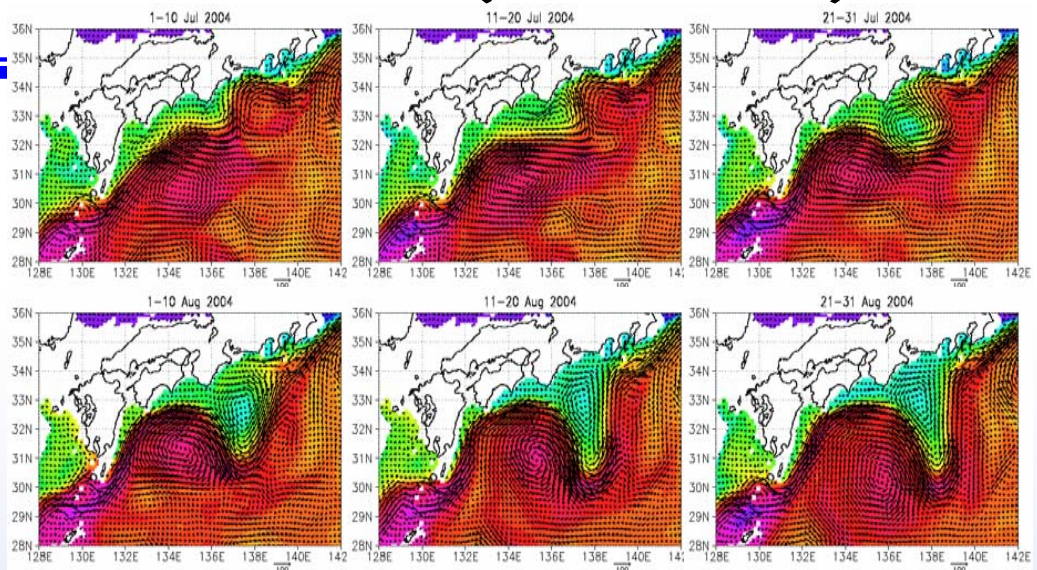
- The small meander propagates east-ward and develops in July.
- The Kuroshio has a large meandering path (tLM-type in Fig. 1) in the middle of August.
- Many features in the real state (development of small meander, the period of rapid growth of meander, amplitude of the large meander, etc) are successfully predicted.
- It is because the seed of the meander is properly assimilated in the initial condition.

July

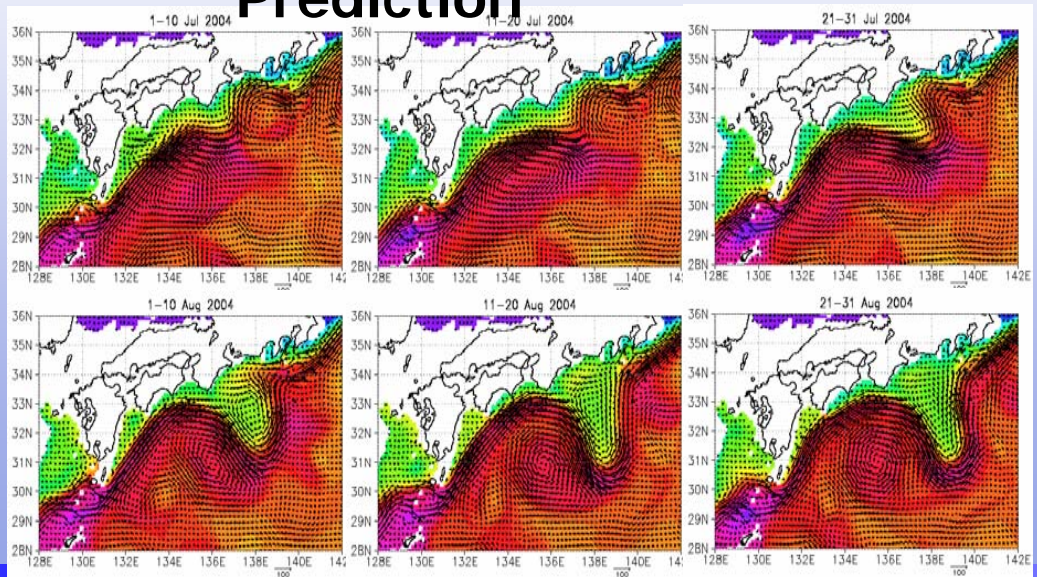
August

July

August



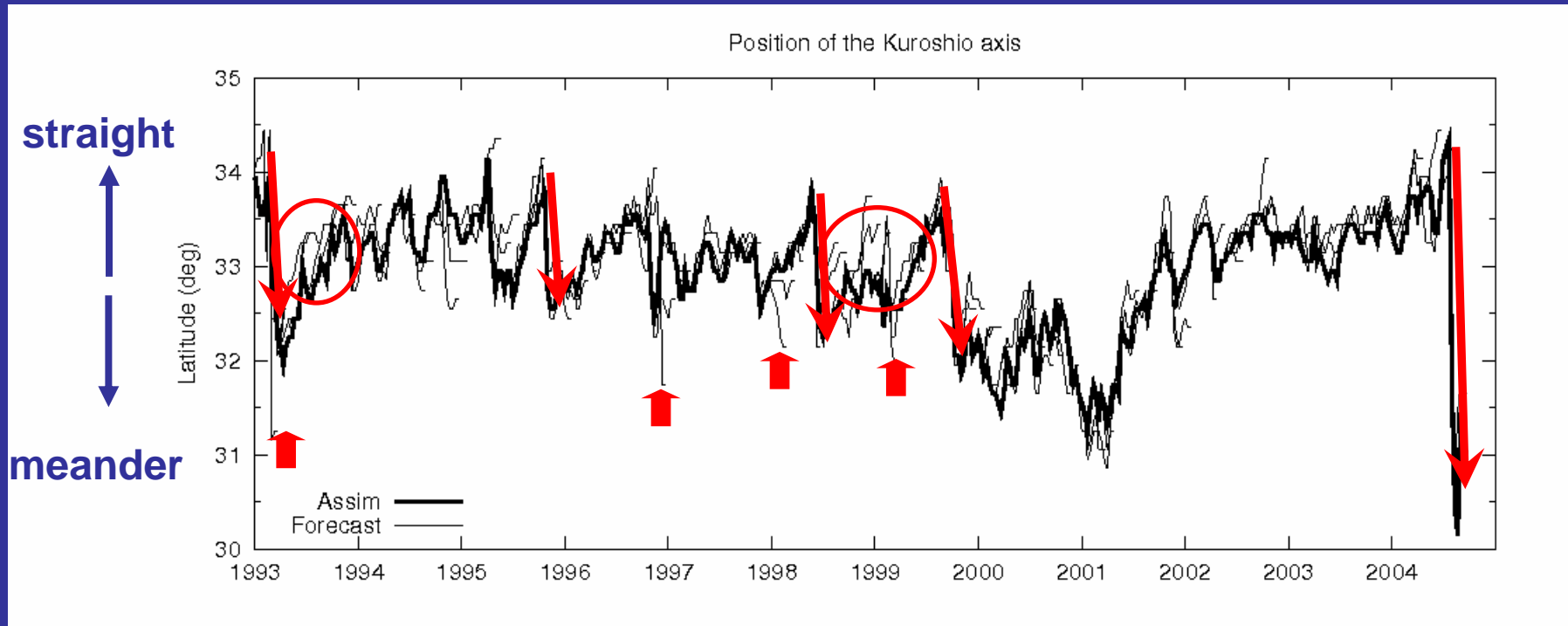
Prediction



Horizontal velocity (vector) and temperature (color) at 200m depth.

Prediction of the Kuroshio axis

north-south variation of the axis at 138°E



Predictability

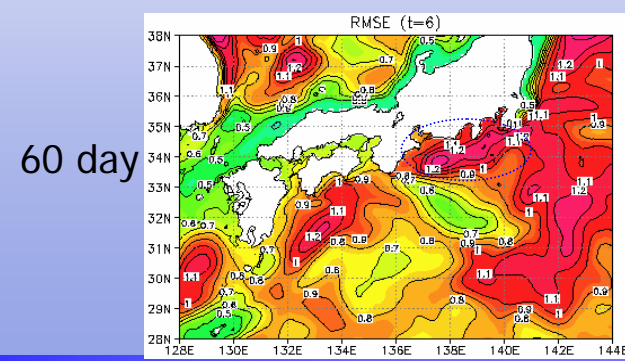
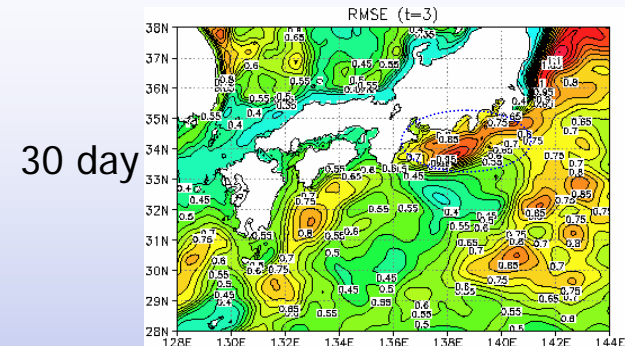
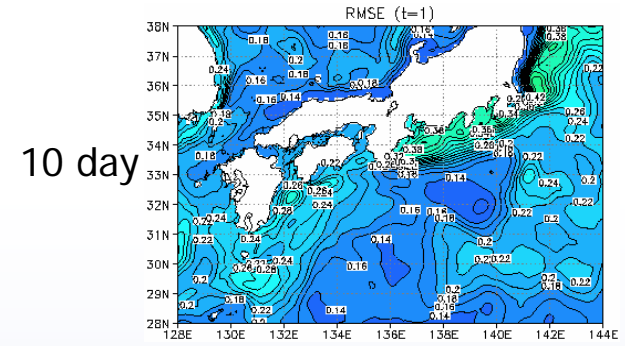
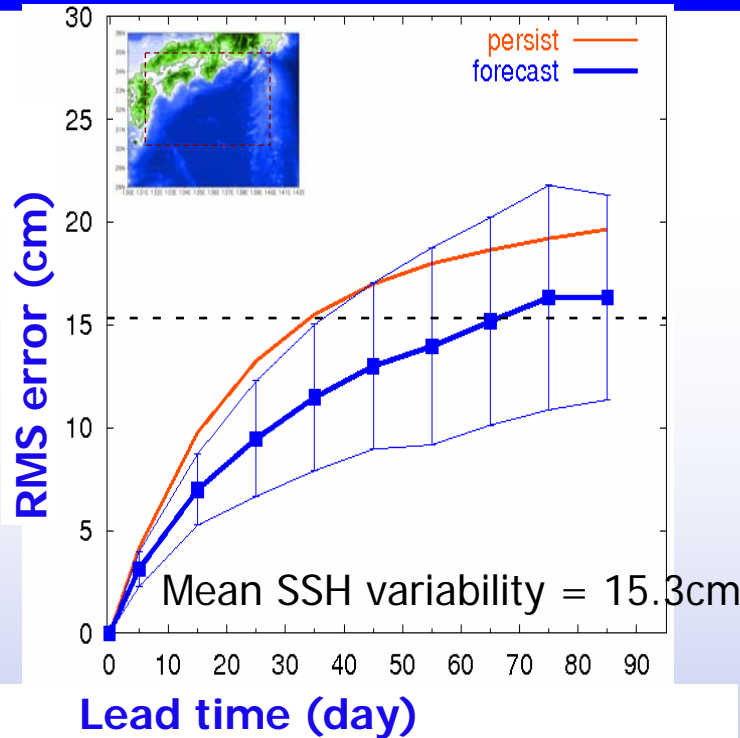
- Straight to meander : OK A+
- Meander to straight : prediction is a bit earlier
- Sometime stronger meander



Predictability (single prediction)

Time evolution of SSHA prediction error

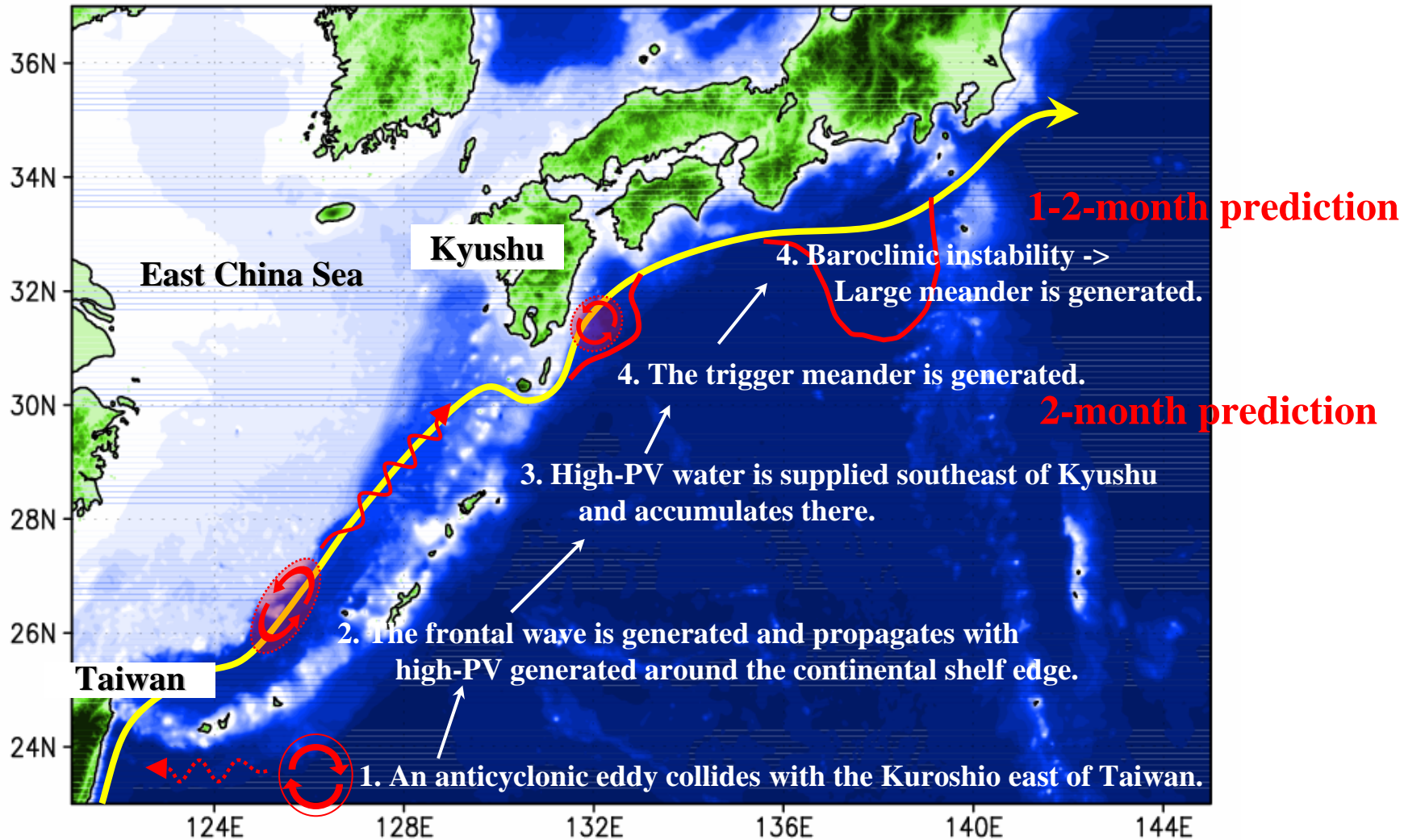
*JMA's new
Operational
Forecasting
System
(everyday,
Real time,
2 months
Forecast)*



- Predictive limit of our system is roughly **40-60 days**. **This fine resolution model is better than 1/4 deg. model**
- Predictive limit is much longer than the persistence.
- The spatial distribution of SSHA RMSE shows the largest error south of Tokai (pointed area in Fig. 11).
- The largest error reflects the faster eastward progression speed of the meander as discussed in previous.
- Ensemble prediction is better.

Analyses of mesoscale eddy near Taiwan, roles of frontal wave in the East China Sea, small trigger meander, baroclinic instability on the Kuroshio path variation

USUI et al., (2008a,b,c)



These proposed processes suggest an importance of large-scale GODAE products for reproducing oceanic conditions in the ECS and southern coast of Japan.



Data Server

- NEARGOOS Regional Real Time Data Base

<http://goos.kishou.go.jp/>



- JMA Japan-GODAE LAS server

<http://godae.kishou.go.jp/>





Summary & Future/On-going Research

- 1. An Example of operational/research systems of JMA and MRI**
 - ocean state estimation**
 - Kuroshio prediction**
- 2. Future/on-going directions**
 - OSE type leads estimation/reconstruction of observation**
 - Ocean-Atmosphere Coupled Data Assimilation**
 - Coastal-shelf sea application**
 - Interaction of wind wave and current**
 - Earth system model (coupled physical biogeochemical and ecosystem, with atmospheric model/assimilation)**
 - Reanalysis & Prediction with 4DVAR adjoint system**

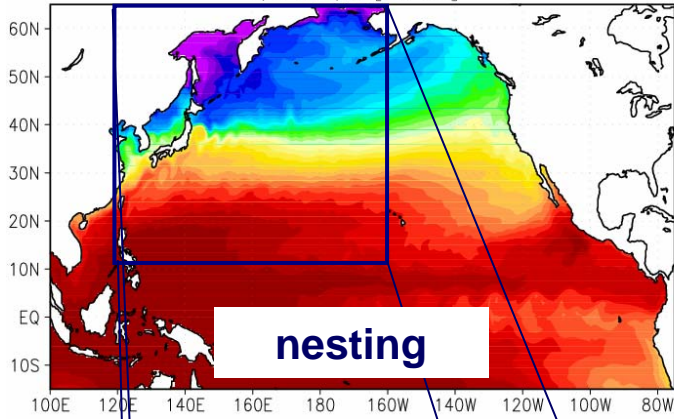
On-going developments

Present systems

Global Warming, SI-predictions (Global, 1°)
 Ocean Climate: (N. Pac, 1/2°)
 Ocean Weather (W.N. Pac, 0.1°)
 1/2 x 1/2 [55 km]

Coupling
to Atom.

**Global Copled A-O Assim
 MOVE-C**



Global:1 /12° (10km) MOVE-G2

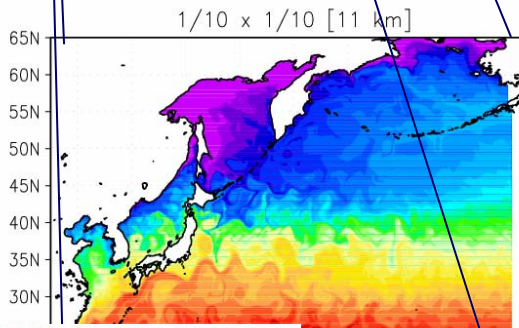
Local weather-climate model
 (strong currents, Frontal structure)

**Finer
 resolution
 (x6)**

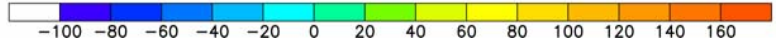
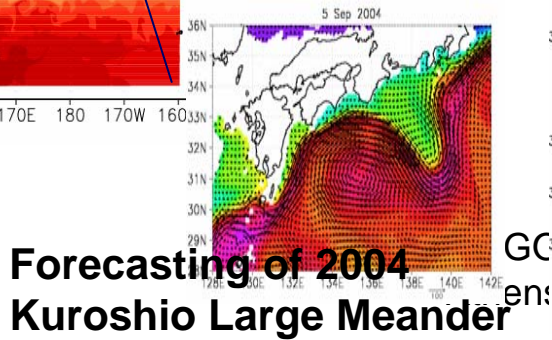
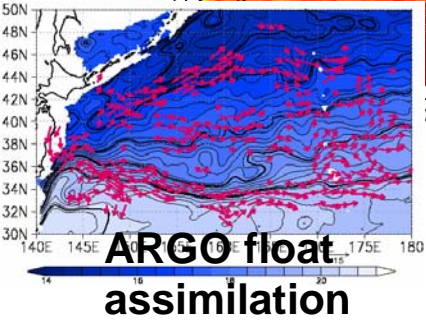
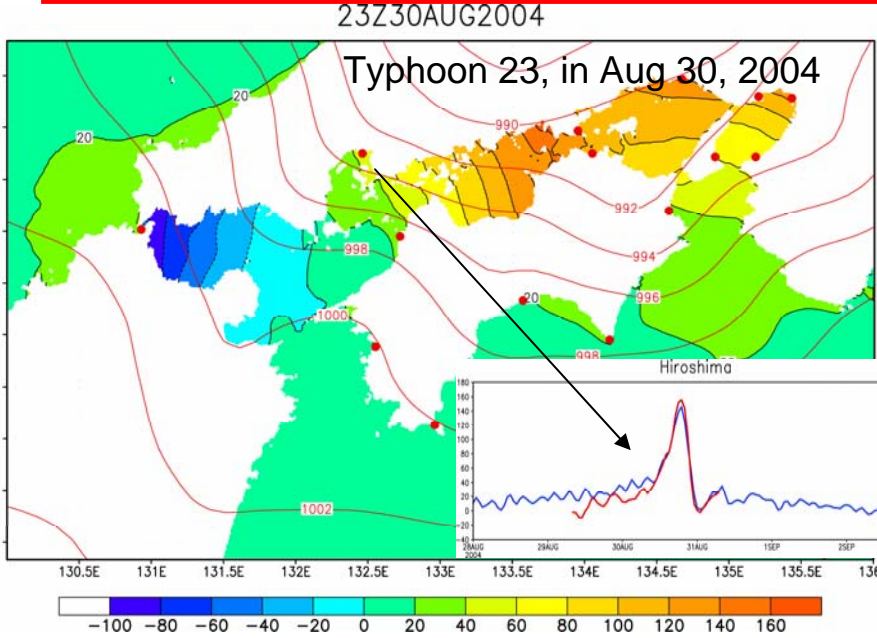
Regional:1 /60° (2km)

Coastal ocean (Storm surge
 forecasting for disaster prevention)

Coastal:1 /120° (1km)



**Regional
 (1/10 [11km])
 (Forecasting
 around Japan)**





Appendix: 2004 Kuroshio Large Meander

Analyses of eddy activities, small meander, baroclinic instability to large meander

- 1. From Taiwan to East China Sea: Frontal wave**
- 2. Developing and stationary conditions of small meander south-east of Kyushu**
- 3. Developing to Large Meander with baroclinic instability as a necessary condition and a diagram of sufficient conditions**