

# ECCO Version 4: Second Release

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The purpose of this note is twofold: (1) document the second release of ECCO version 4 state estimates (ECCO v4-r2); (2) provide a citable identifier to distinguish it from the previous release (ECCO v4-r1; Forget et al 2015).

**Access ECCO v4-r2:** online access is free and unrestricted via <http://ecco-group.org/>; at the time of writing the ECCO v4-r2 files are accessed via [ftp://mit.ecco-group.org/ecco\\_for\\_las/version\\_4/release2/](ftp://mit.ecco-group.org/ecco_for_las/version_4/release2/) and [http://mit.ecco-group.org/opendap/ecco\\_for\\_las/version\\_4/release2/contents.html](http://mit.ecco-group.org/opendap/ecco_for_las/version_4/release2/contents.html)

**Software Used for ECCO v4-r2:** the state estimate output files (provided online) and its depiction (provided below) were produced using the 'checkpoint64u' versions of the general circulation model (MITgcm and ECCO v4 settings) and Matlab analysis toolboxes (gcmfaces and MITprof).

**Solution History:** the 1992-2011 solution documented here (ECCO v4-r2) is a minor update to the original ECCO v4 solution documented by Forget et al 2015 (ECCO v4-r1). As compared with ECCO v4-r1 (see Forget et al 2015 for details and notations) ECCO v4-r2 benefits from a few additional corrections in the model settings:

1. Inclusion of geothermal heating at the sea floor in MITgcm and ECCO v4 settings.
2. Inclusion of  $\mathcal{K}_{gm}$  and  $\mathcal{K}_\sigma$  interpolation to C-grid velocity points in MITgcm and ECCO v4 settings.
3. Re-inclusion of targeted bottom viscosity in ECCO v4 settings.
4. Re-inclusion of estimated wind stress adjustments over 2000-2011 in ECCO v4 settings.
5. Re-adjustment of ECCO v4 global mean precipitation (homogeneously) to match the AVISO global mean sea level time series (<http://www.aviso.altimetry.fr/>).

**Contents Included Below:** the gcmfaces 'standard analysis' (introduced in Forget et al. 2015) appended below for ECCO v4-r2 depicts routinely monitored characteristics of ECCO solutions. It allows for direct comparison with the published ECCO v4-r1 standard analysis (doi:10.5194/gmd-8-3071-2015-supplement).

**References:** Forget, G., J.-M. Campin, P. Heimbach, C. N. Hill, R. M. Ponte, and C. Wunsch, 2015: ECCO version 4: an integrated framework for non-linear inverse modeling and global ocean state estimation. Geoscientific Model Development, 8, 3071-3104, doi:10.5194/gmd-8-3071-2015 (<http://www.geosci-model-dev.net/8/3071/2015/>)

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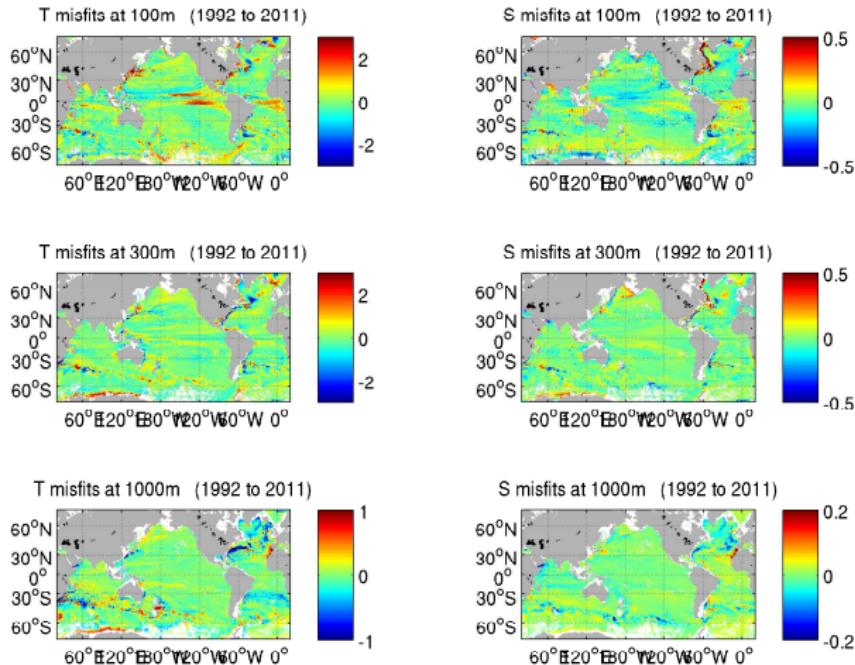
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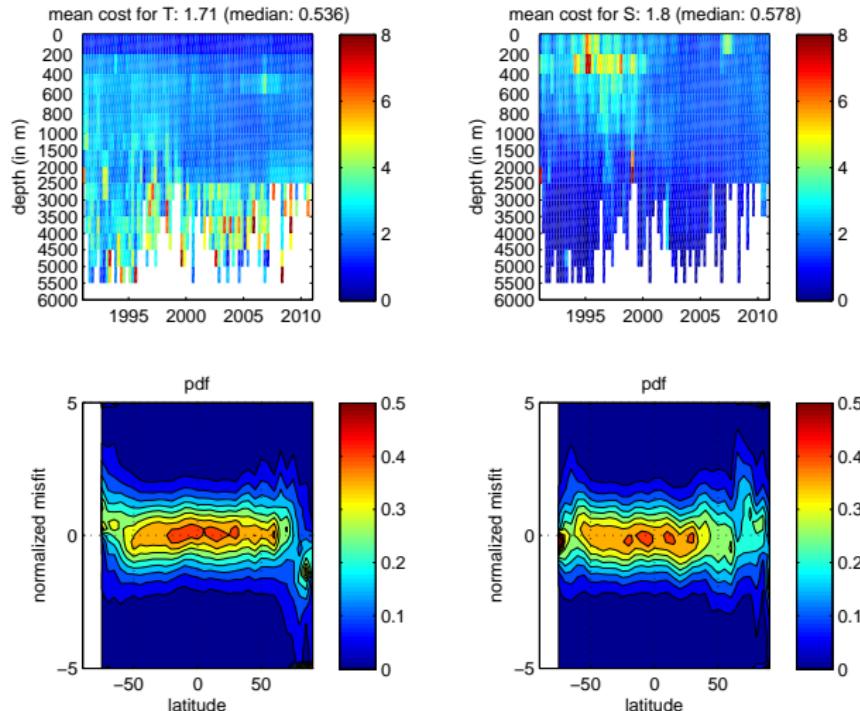
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# fit to in situ data



**Figure :** Time mean misfit (model-data) for in situ profiles, at various depths (rows), for T (left; in K) and S (right; in psu).

# fit to in situ data



**Figure :** Cost function (top) for in situ profiles, as a function of depth and time. Distribution of normalized misfits (bottom) as a function of latitude. For T (left) and S (right).

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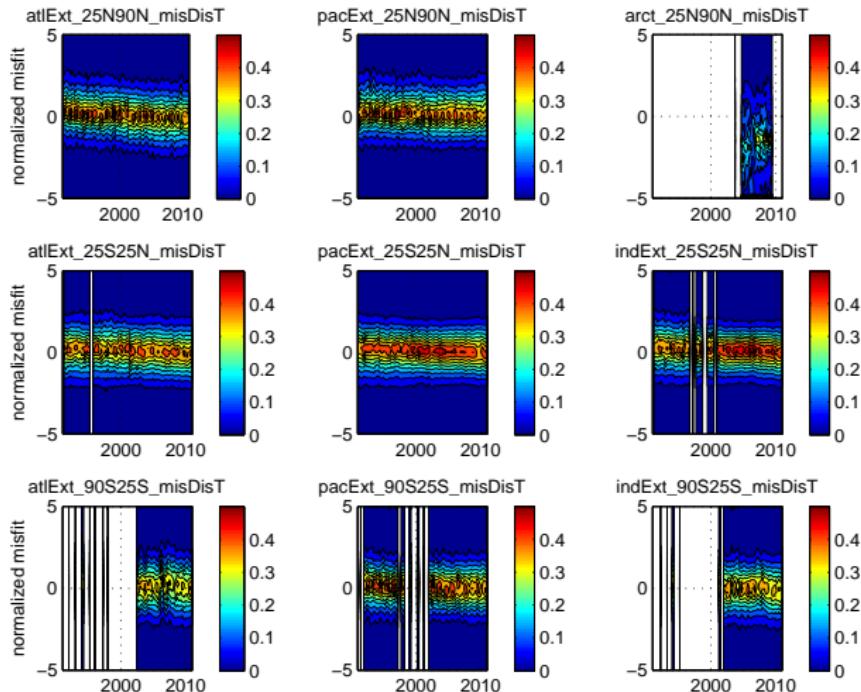


Figure : Distribution of normalized misfits per basin (panel) as a function of latitude, for T

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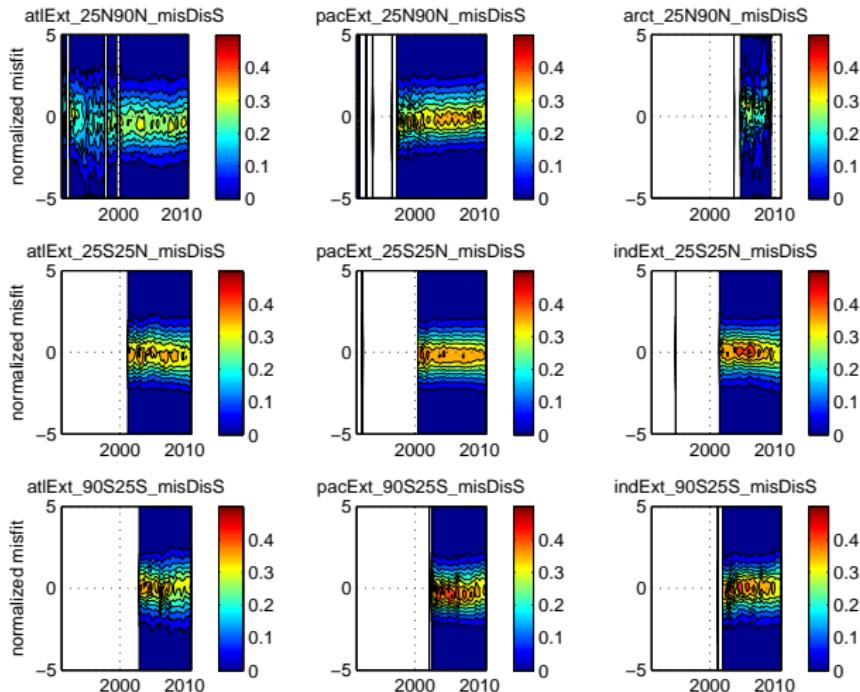


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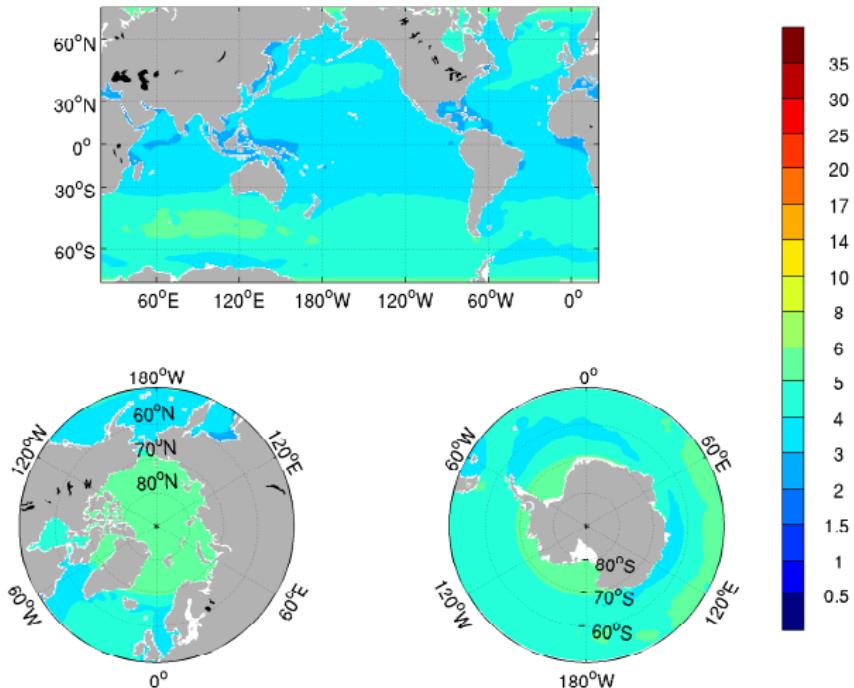


Figure : mean dynamic topography prior uncertainty (cm)

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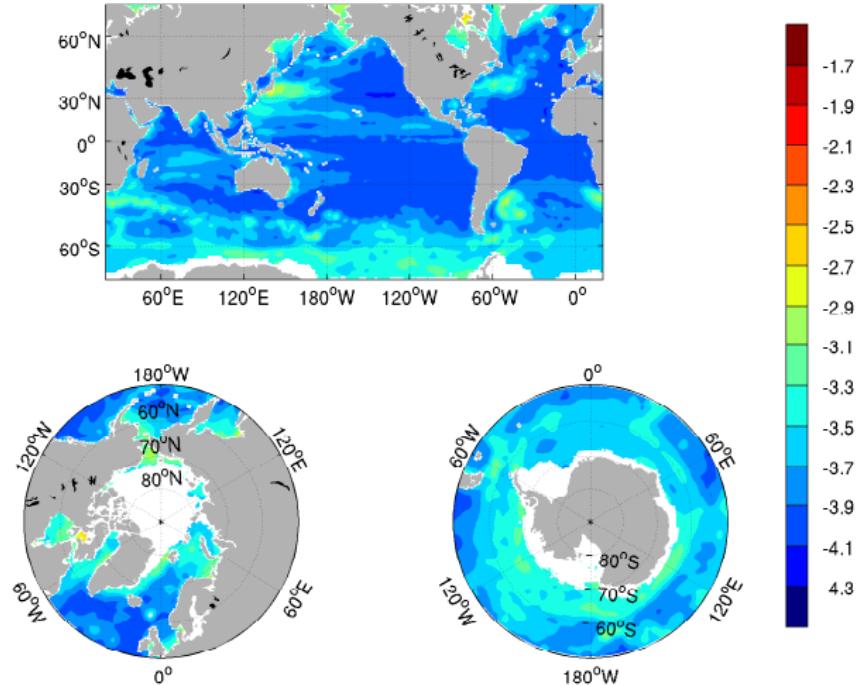


Figure :  $\log(\text{prior error variance}) - \text{sea level anomaly (m}^2\text{)} - \text{large space/time scales}$

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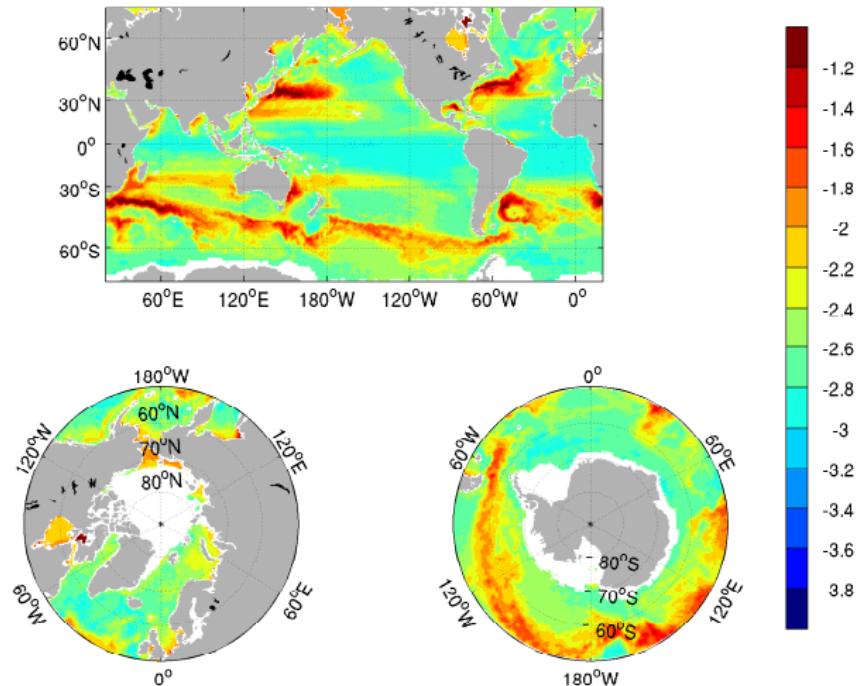


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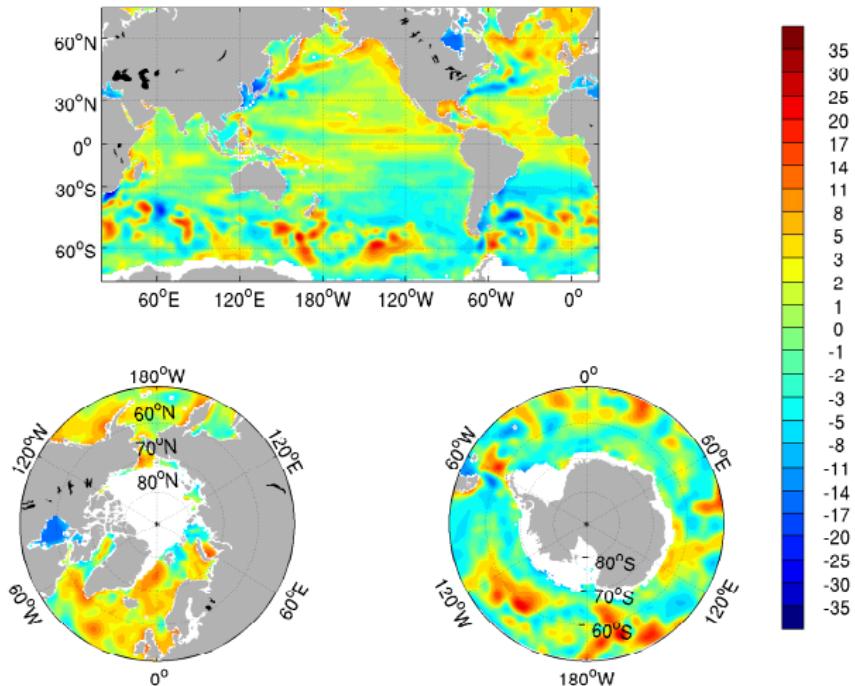


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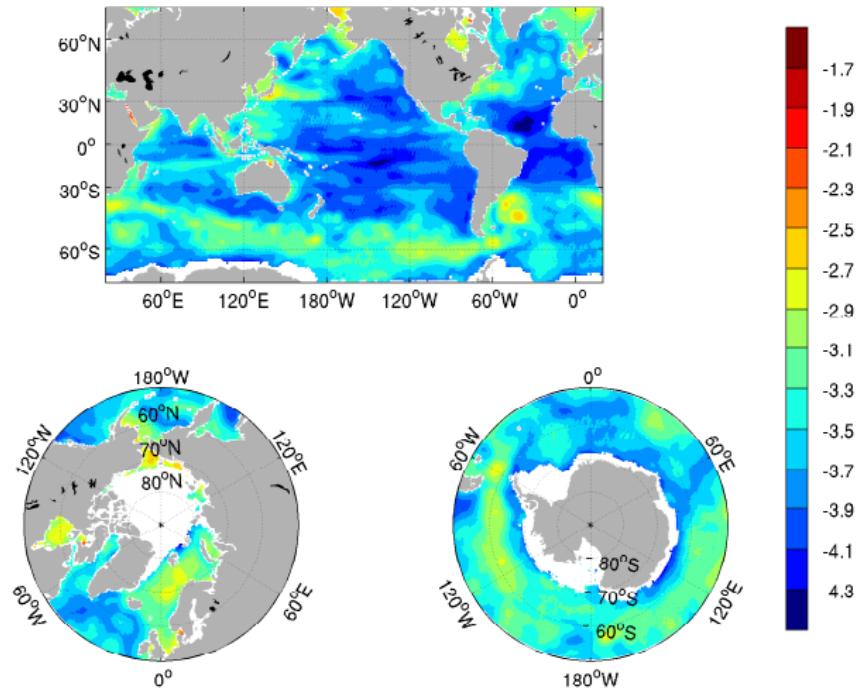


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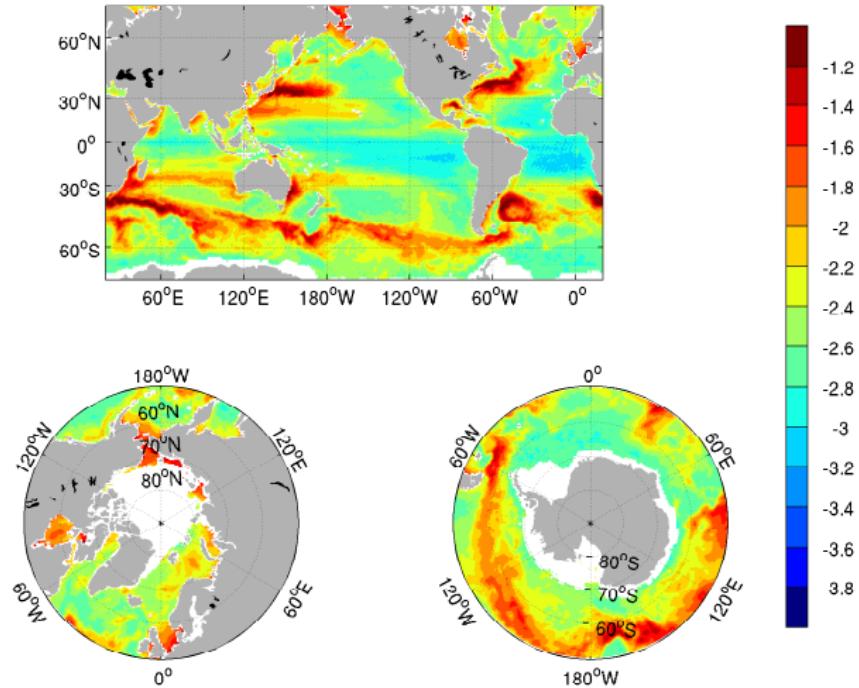


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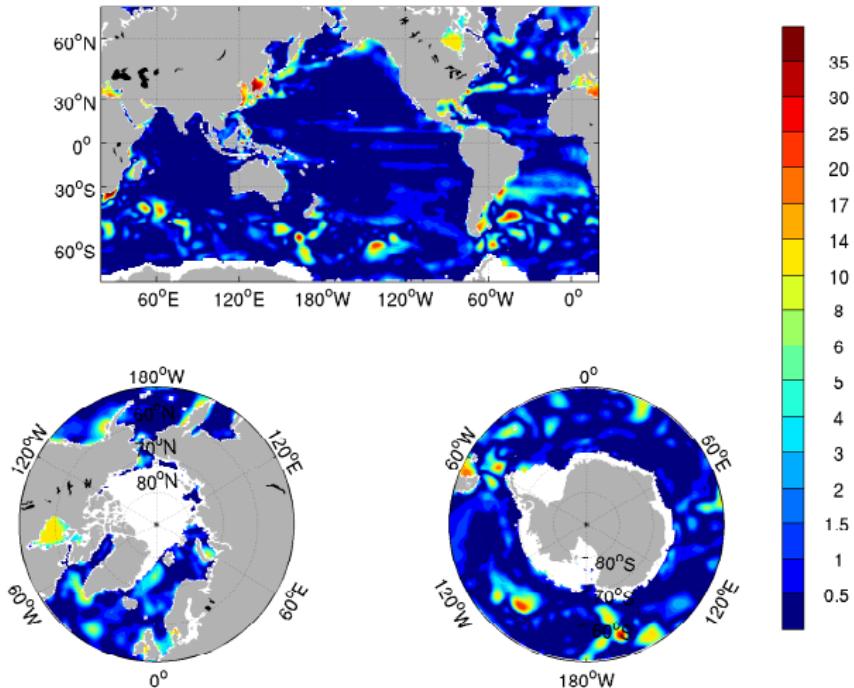


Figure : modeled-observed cost – mean dynamic topography

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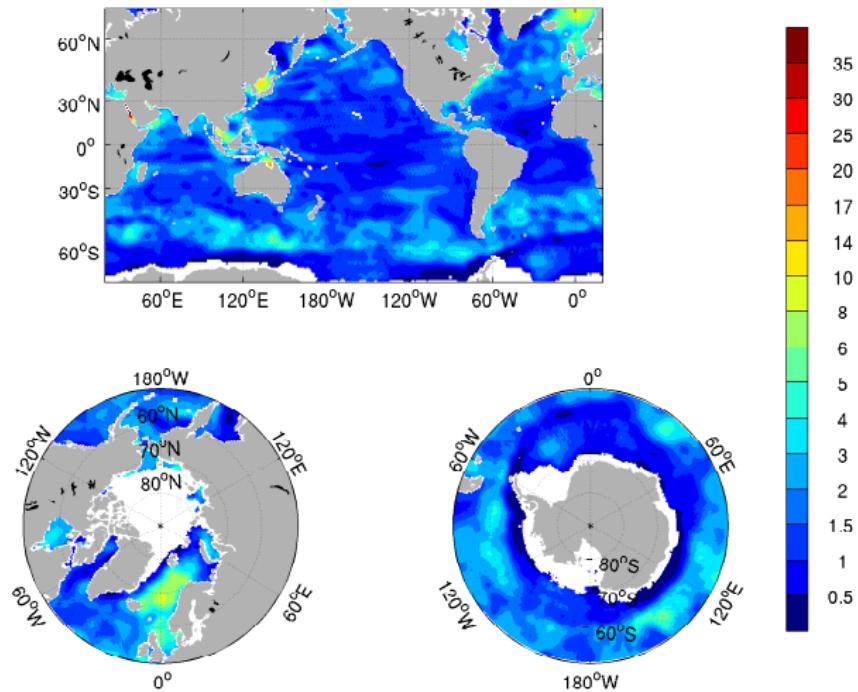


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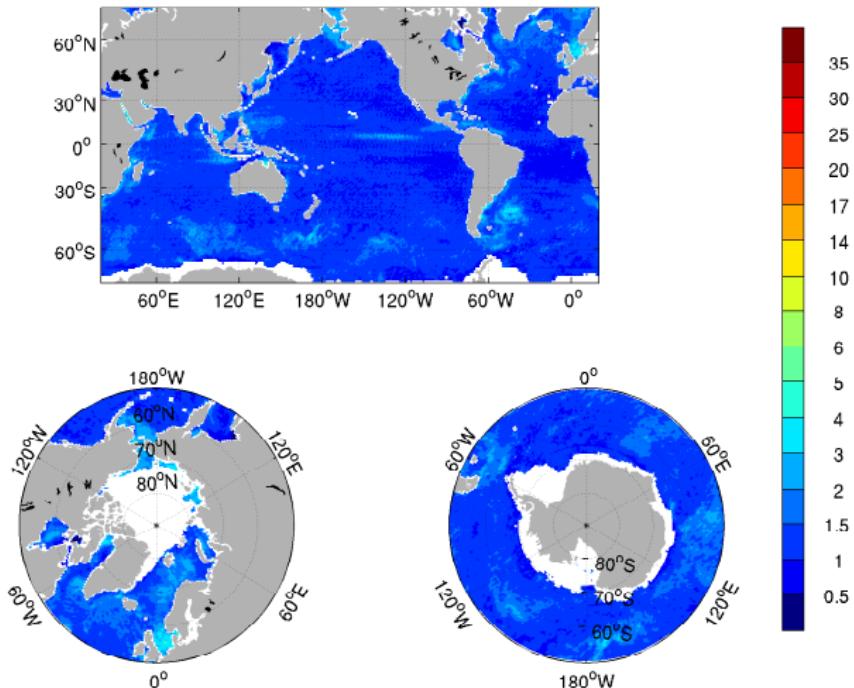


Figure : modeled-observed cost – sea level anomaly – pointwise

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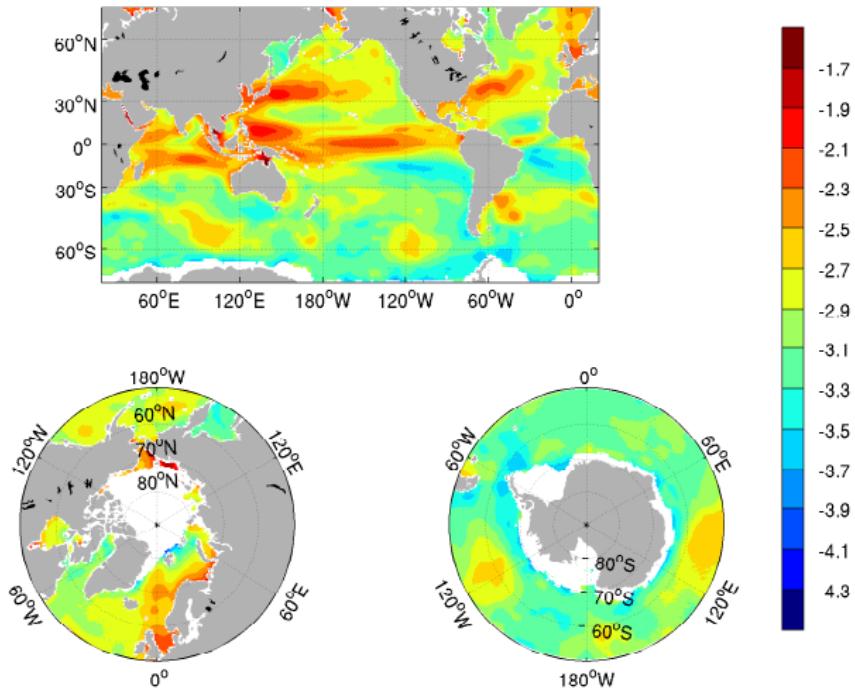


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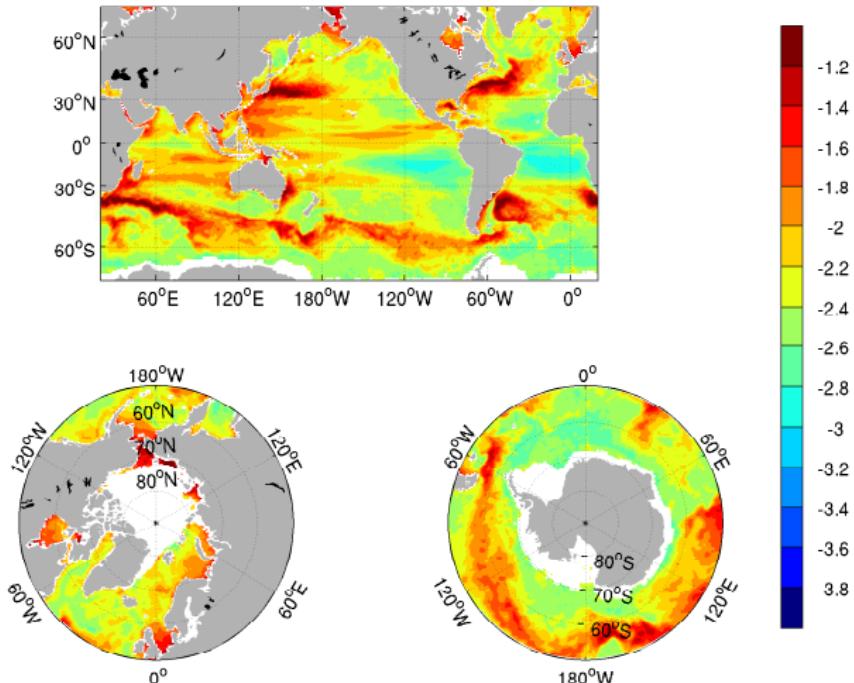


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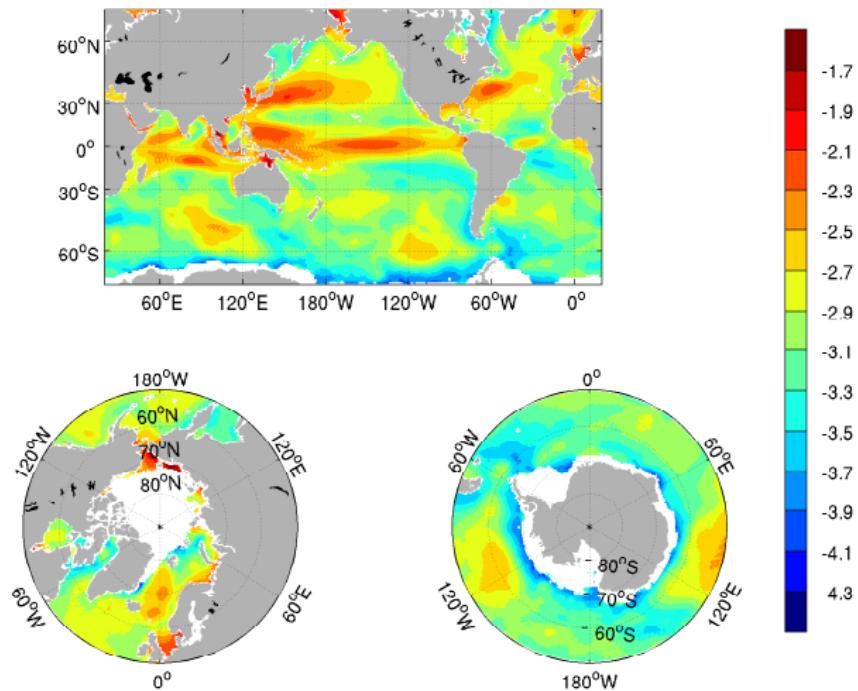


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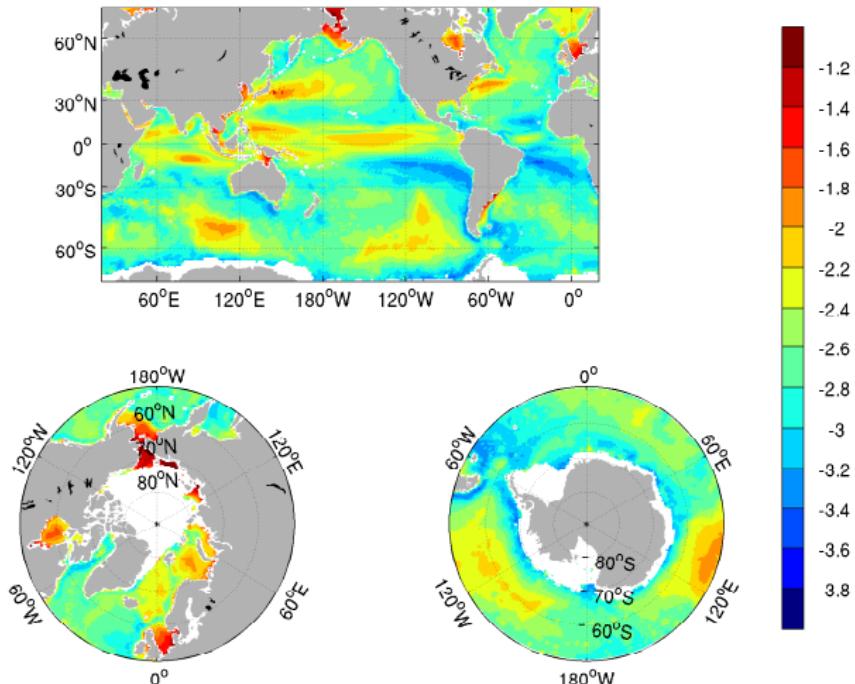


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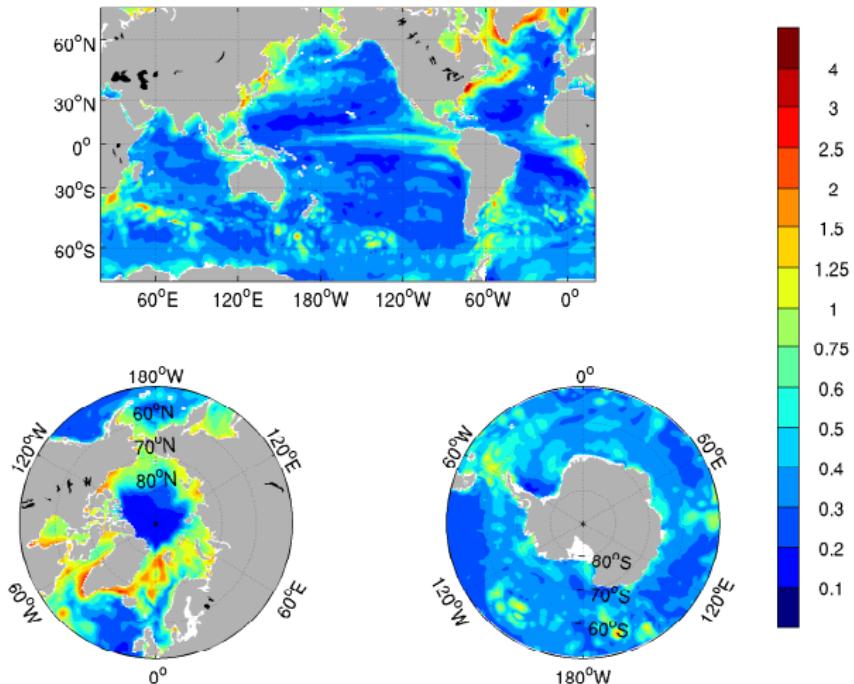


Figure : modeled-Reynolds rms – sea surface temperature (K)

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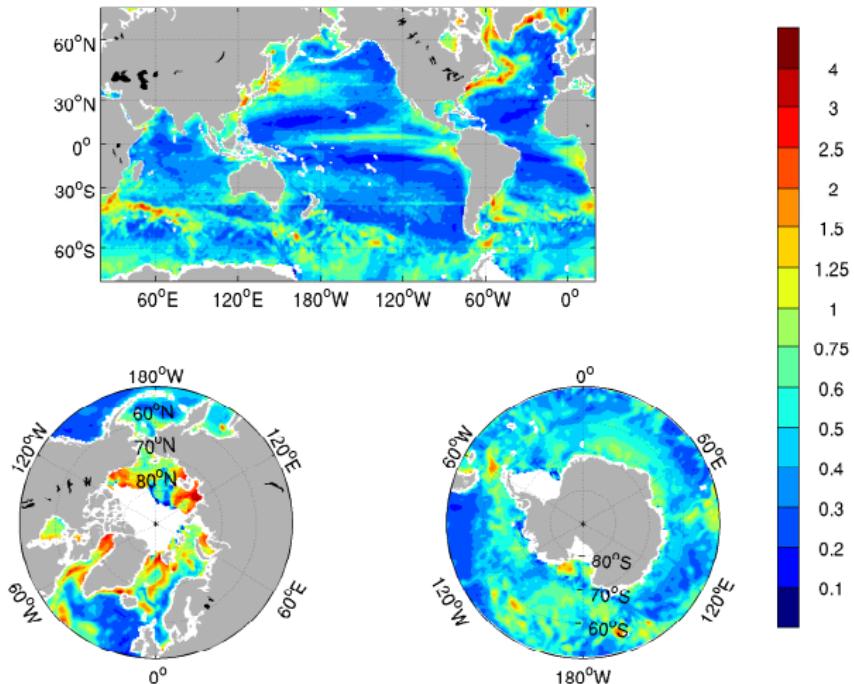


Figure : modeled-REMSS rms – sea surface temperature (K)

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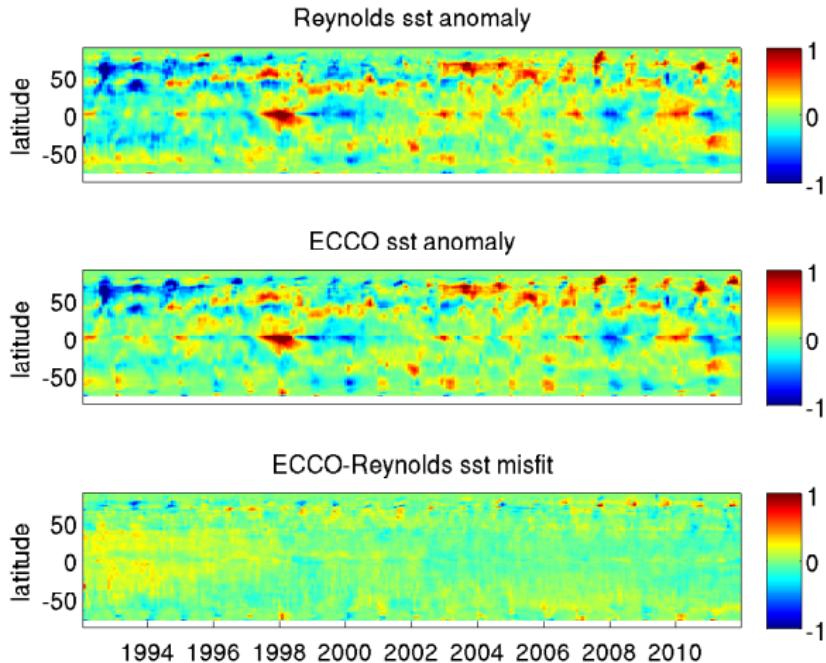


Figure : ECCO and Reynolds zonal mean sst anomalies (K)

## fit to sst data

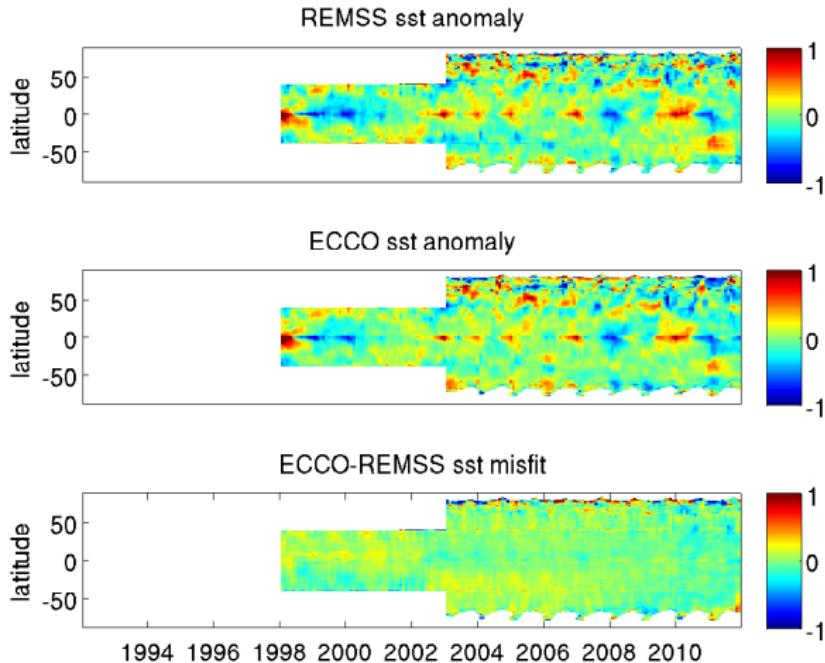


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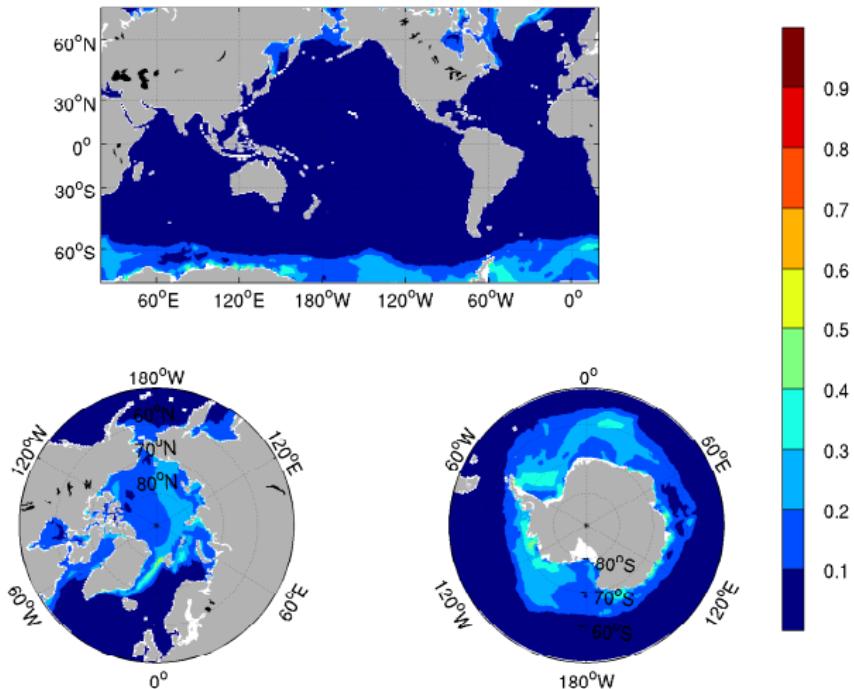


Figure : modeled-observed rms – sea ice concentration

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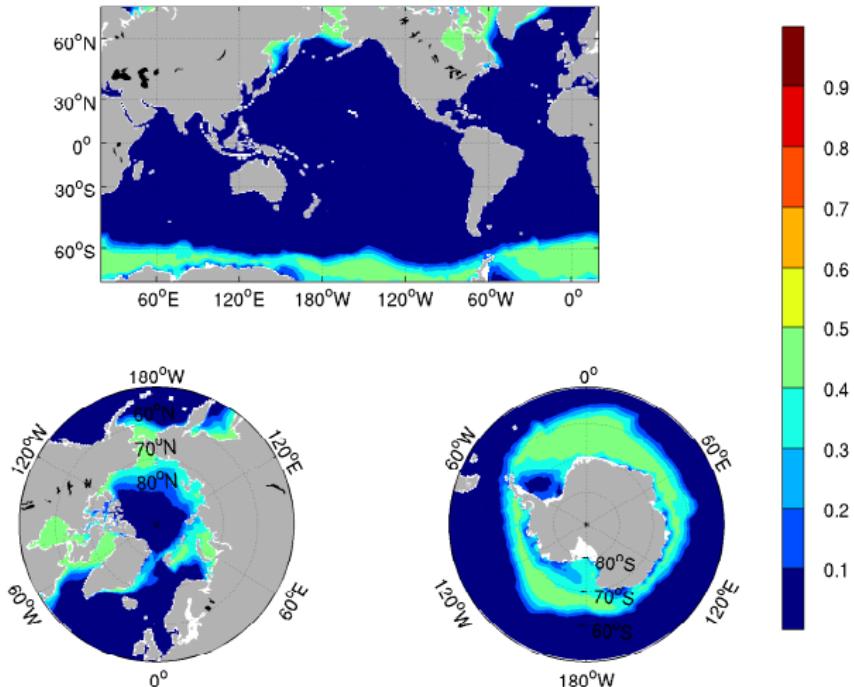


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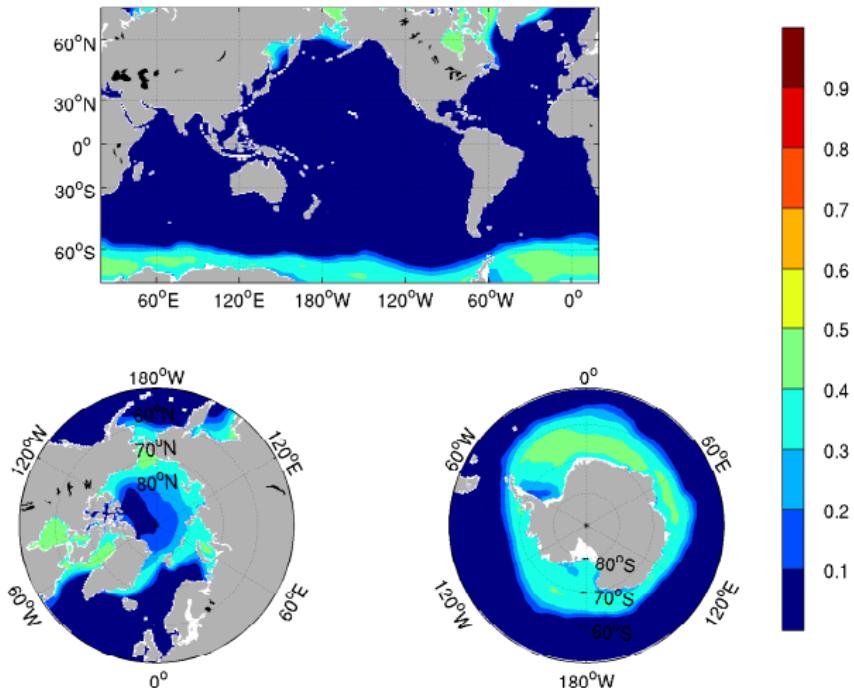


Figure : modelled std – sea ice concentration

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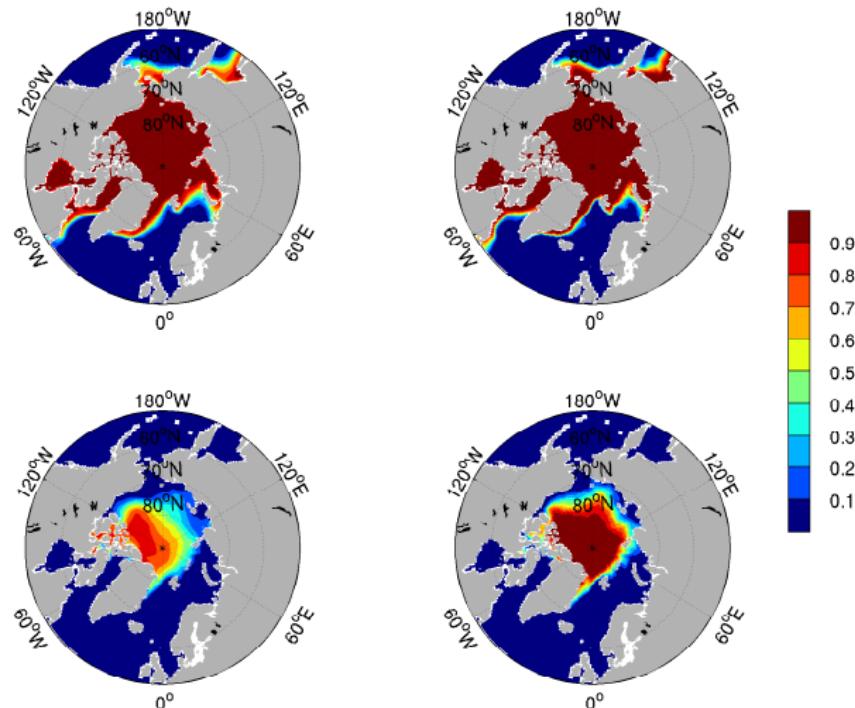


Figure : ECCO (left) and NSIDC (right, gsfc bootstrap) ice concentration in March (top) and September (bottom).

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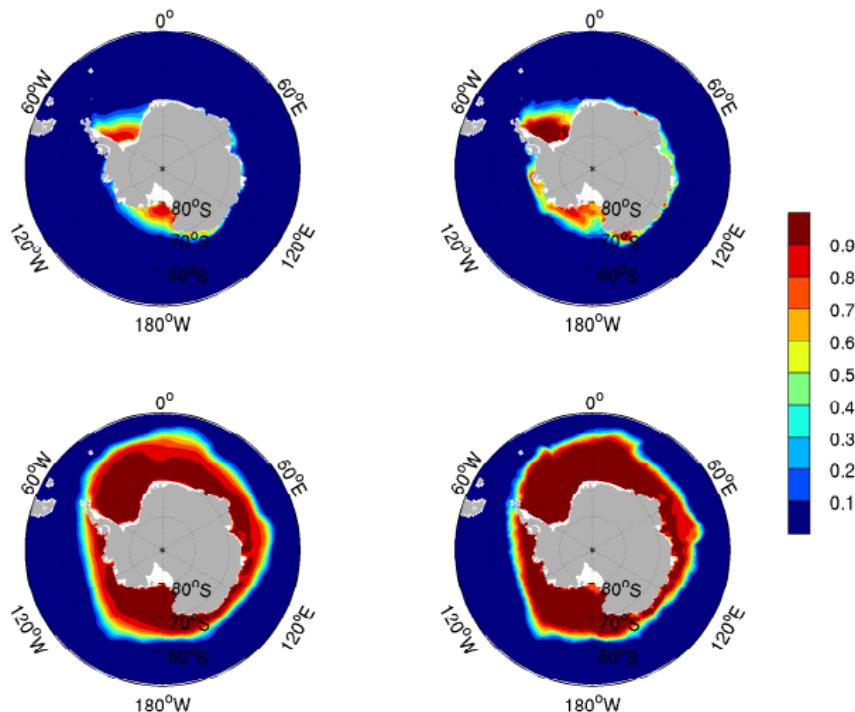


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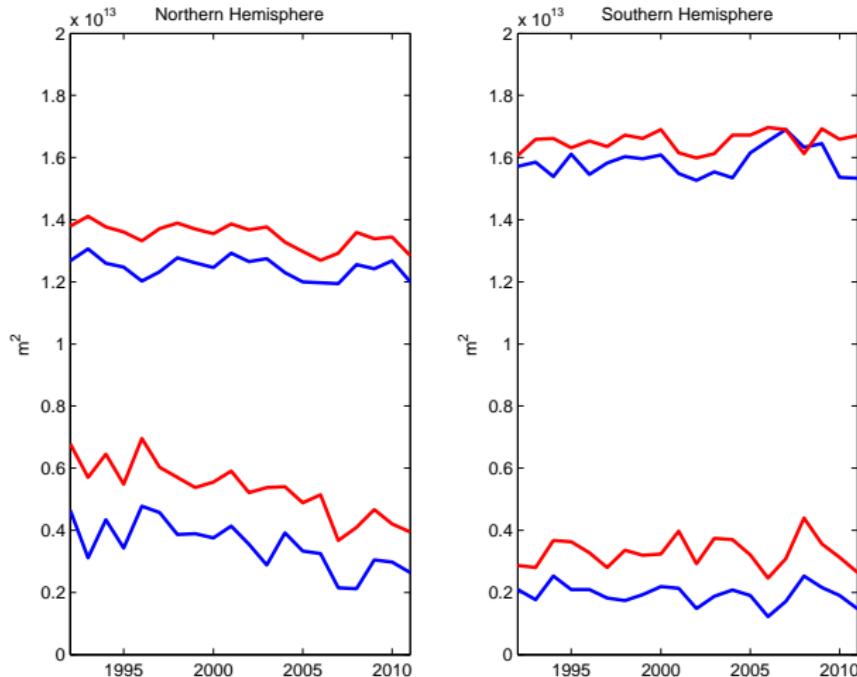


Figure : ECCO (blue) and NSIDC (red, gsfc bootstrap) ice concentration in March and September in Northern Hemisphere (left) and Southern Hemisphere (right)

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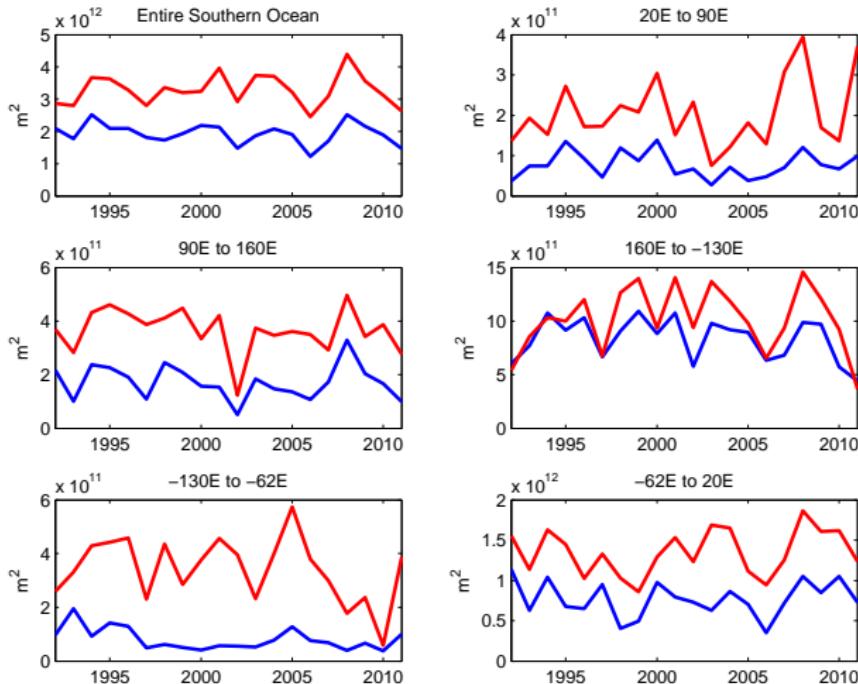


Figure : ECCO (blue) and NSIDC (red, gsfc bootstrap) ice concentration in March per Southern Ocean sector

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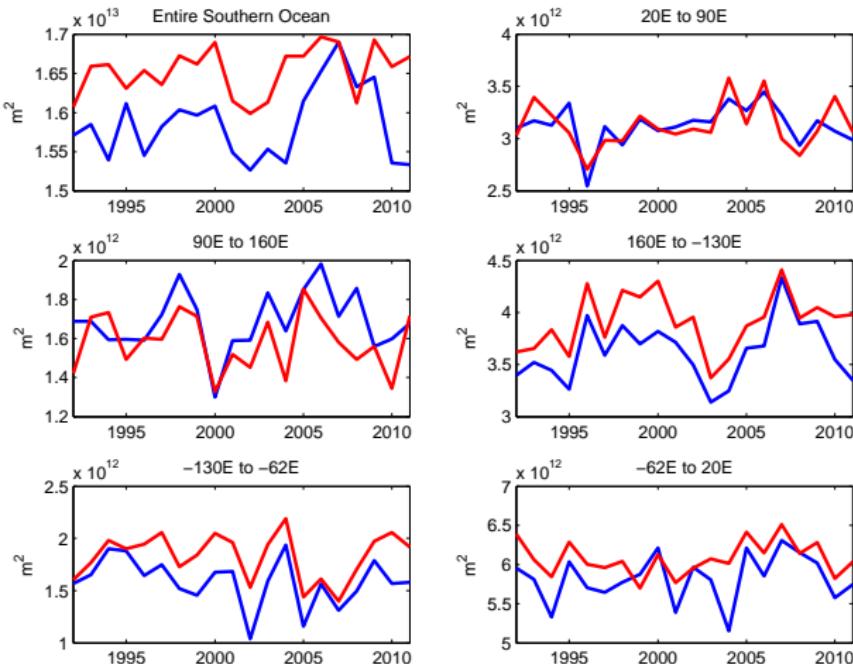


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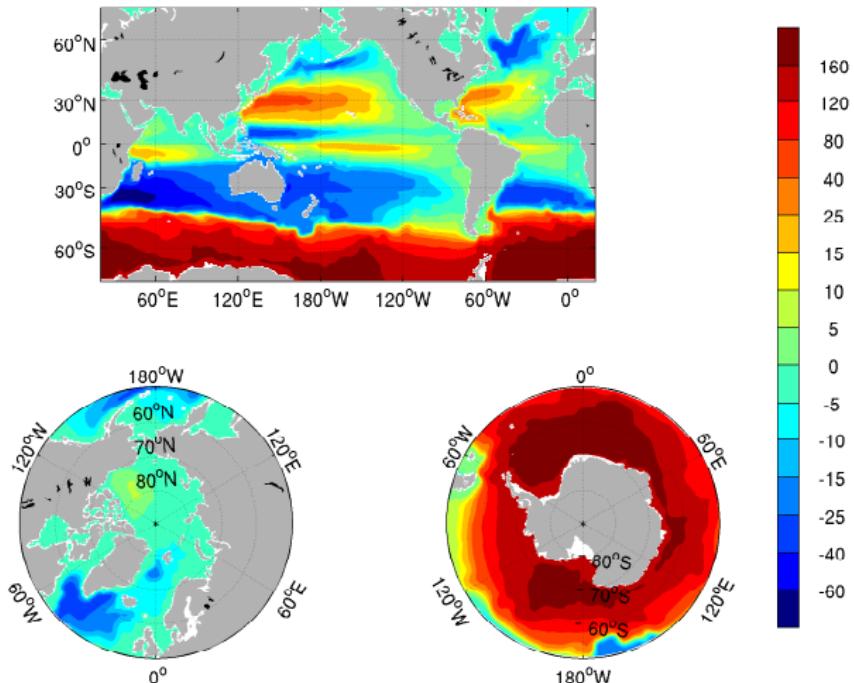


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – barotropic streamfunction (Sv)

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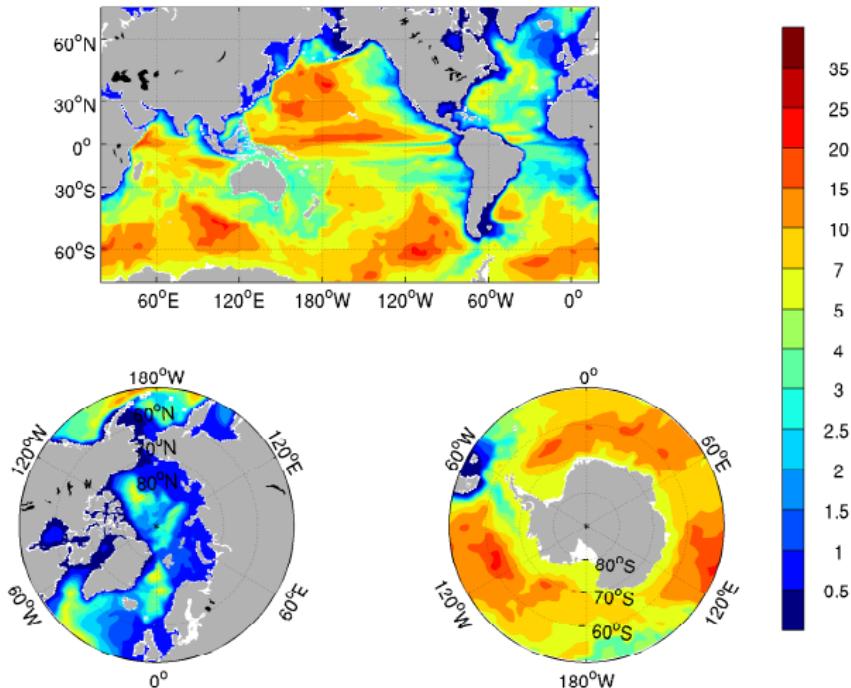


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# meridional streamfunction

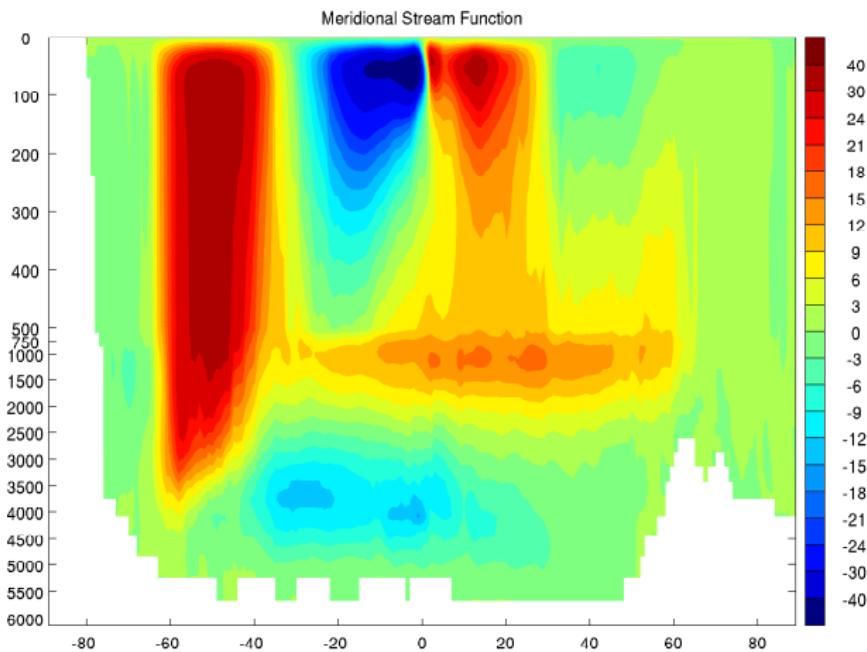


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – overturning streamfunction (Sv)

# meridional streamfunction

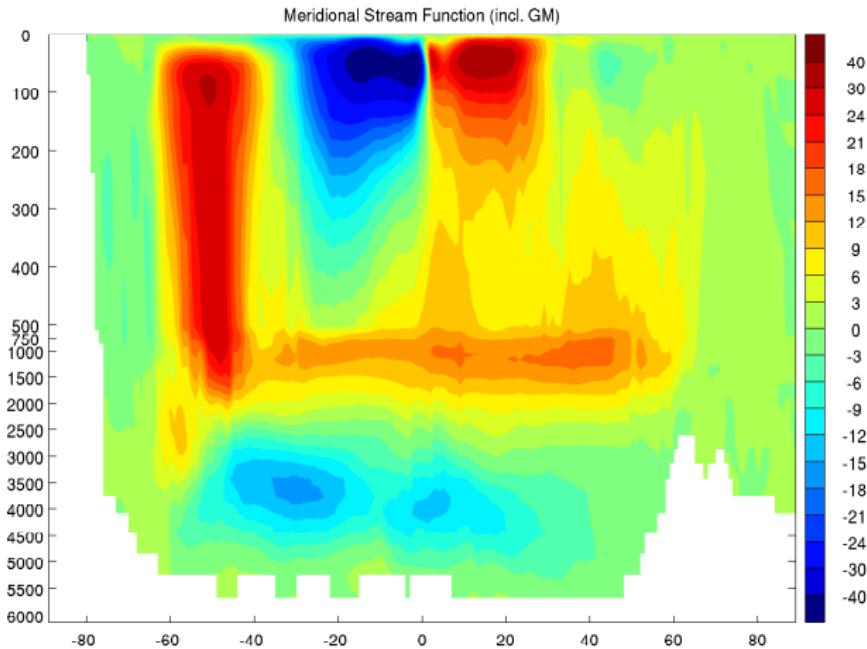


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – overturning streamfunction incl. GM (Sv)

# meridional streamfunction

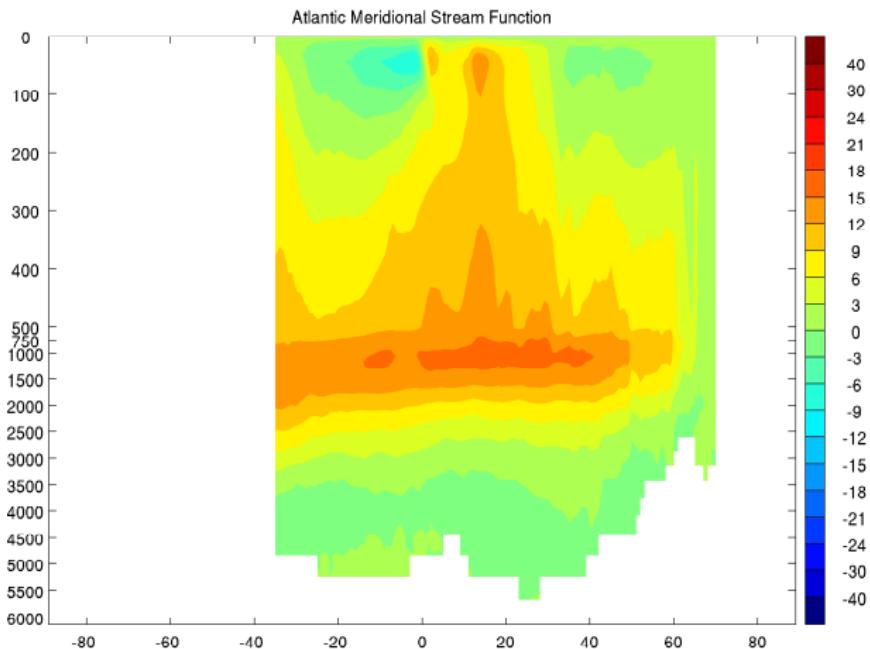


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – Atlantic overturning streamfunction (Sv)

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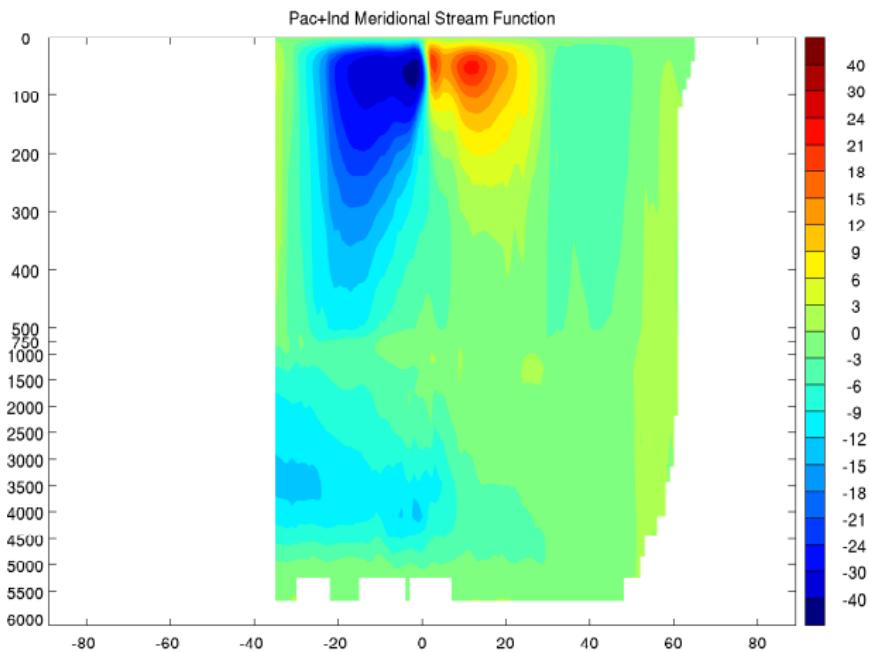


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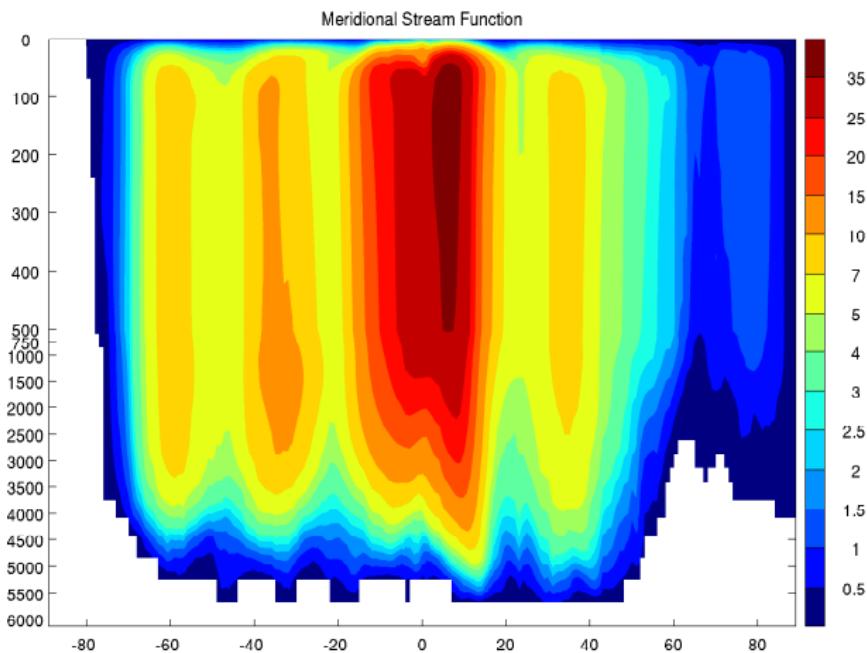


Figure : 1992-2011 standard deviation – overturning streamfunction (Sv)

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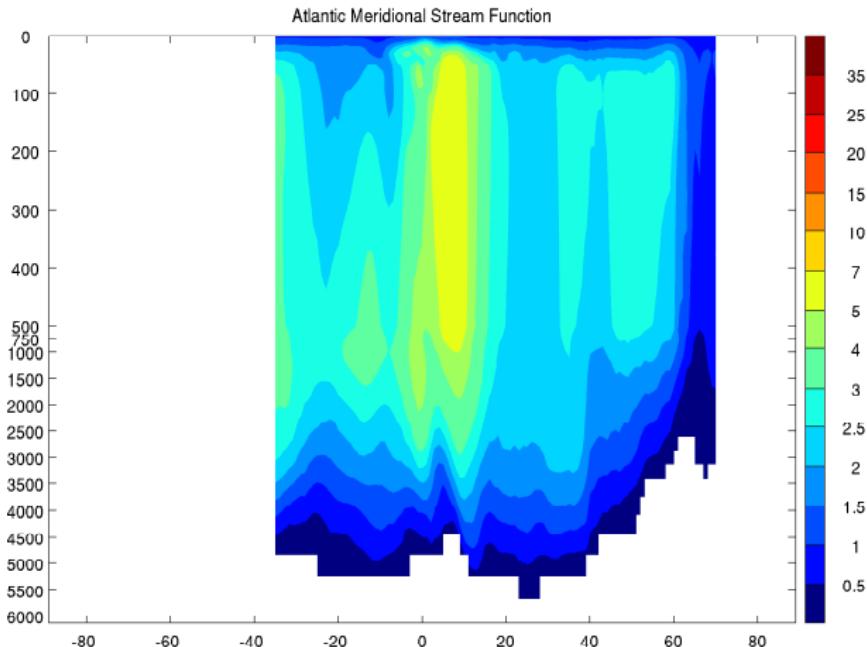


Figure : 1992-2011 standard deviation – Atlantic overturning streamfunction (Sv)

# meridional streamfunction (time series)

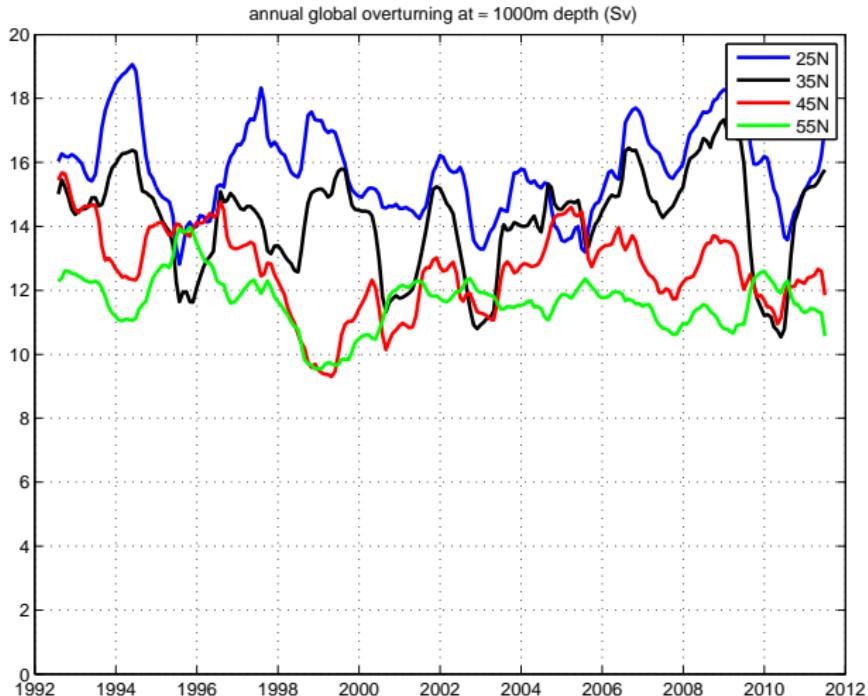


Figure : annual global overturning at select latitudes at  $\approx 1000\text{m}$  depth

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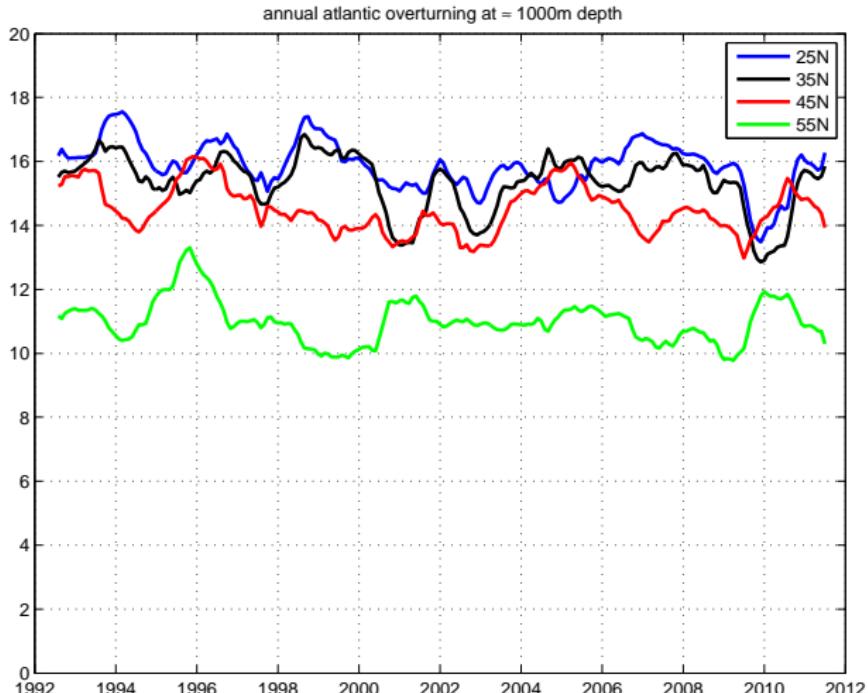


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# meridional heat transport

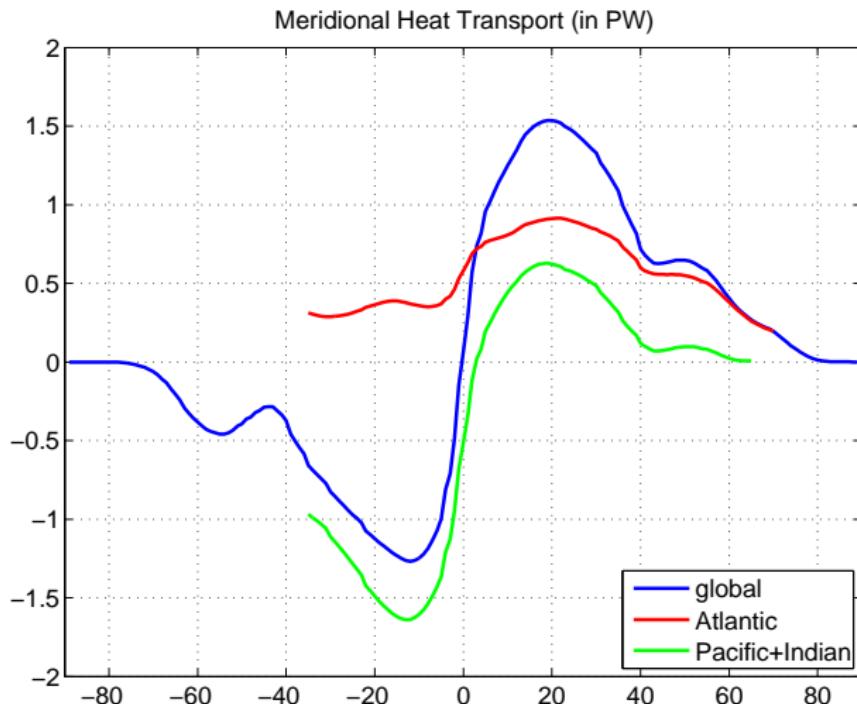


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – meridional heat transport (PW)

# meridional heat transport

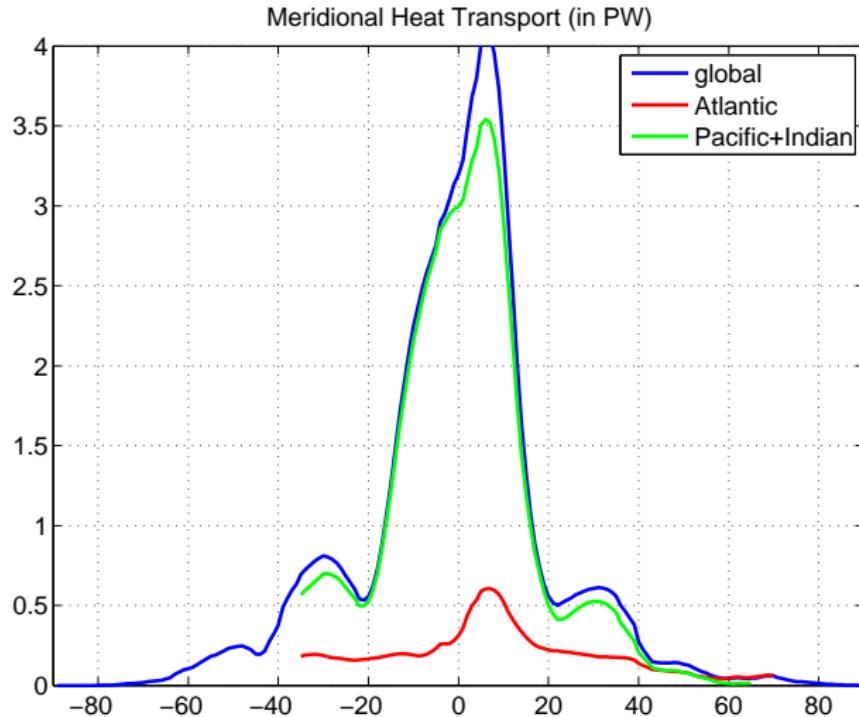


Figure : 1992-2011 standard deviation – meridional heat transport (PW)

# meridional freshwater transport

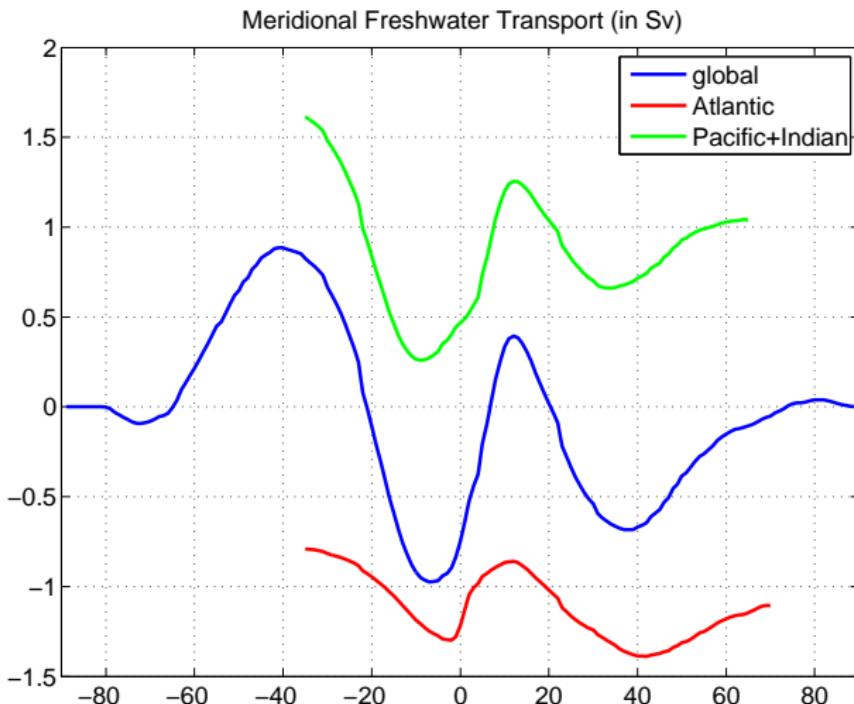


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – meridional freshwater transport (Sv)

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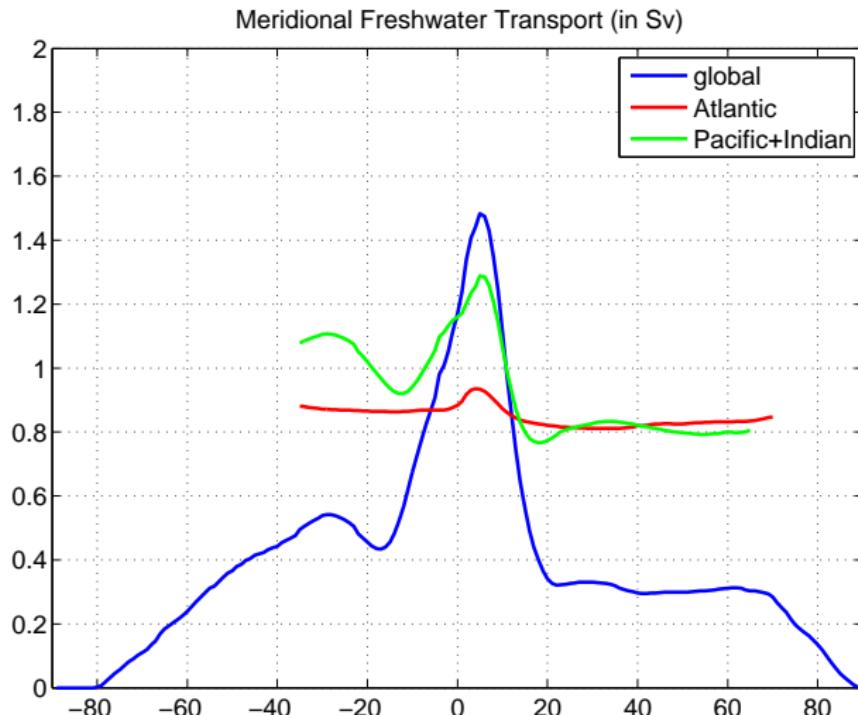


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# meridional salt transport

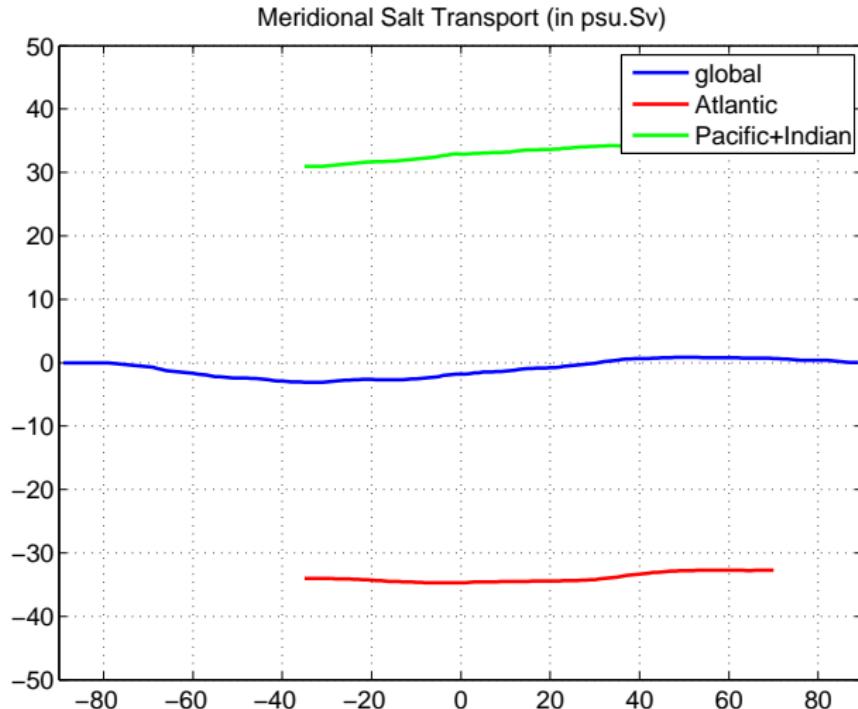


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – meridional salt transport (psu.Sv)

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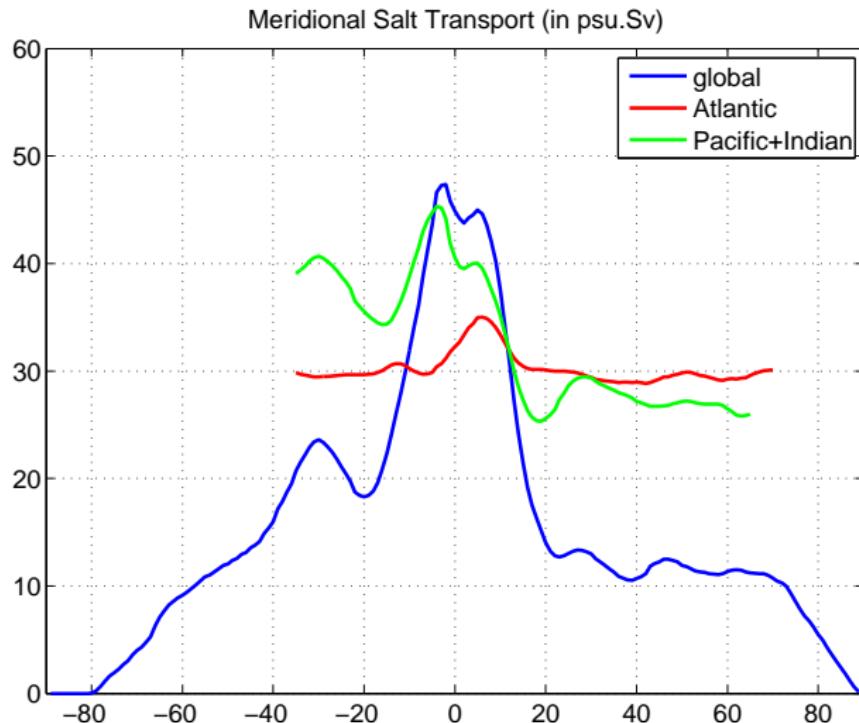


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# meridional transports (time series)

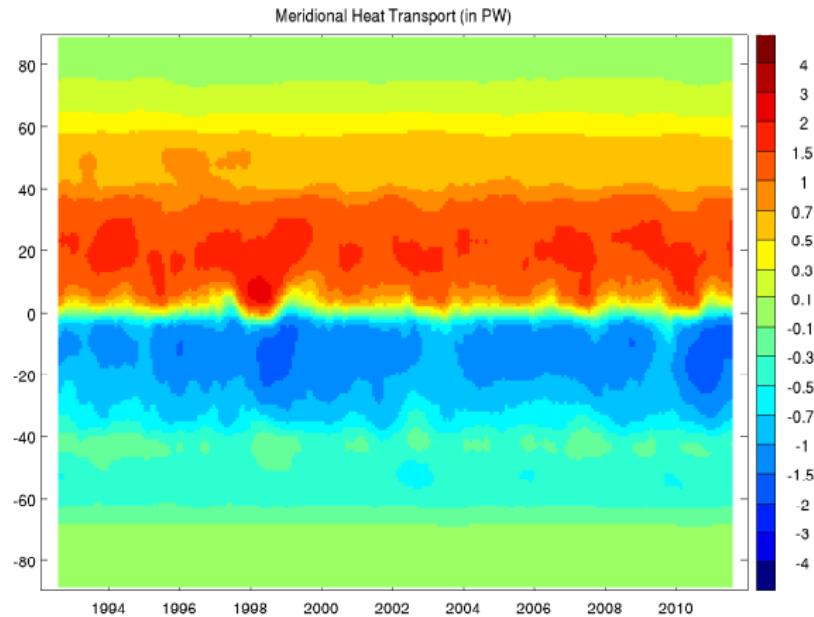


Figure : meridional heat transport (PW, annual mean)

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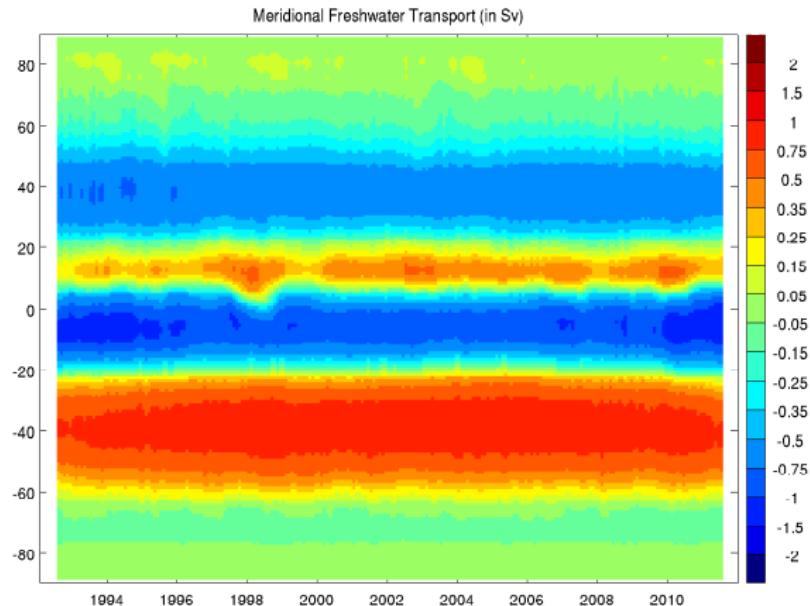


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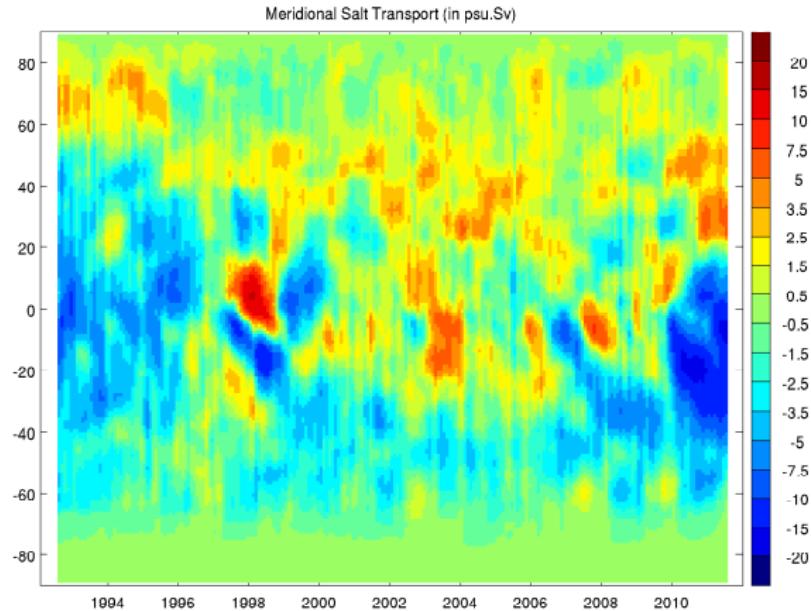


Figure : meridional salt transport (psu.Sv, annual mean)

# transects transport

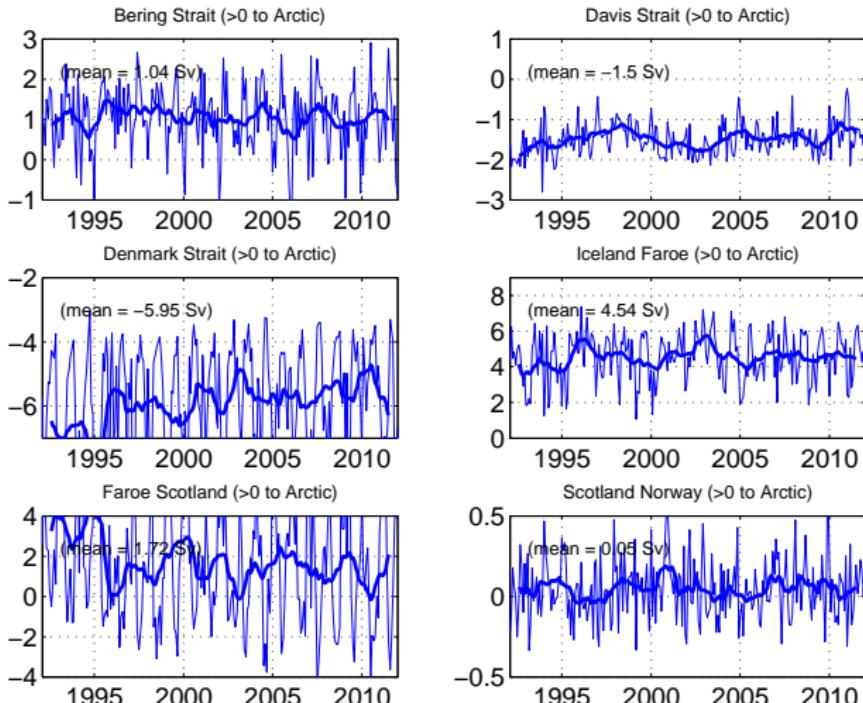


Figure : volume transports entering the Arctic (Sv, annual mean)

# transects transport

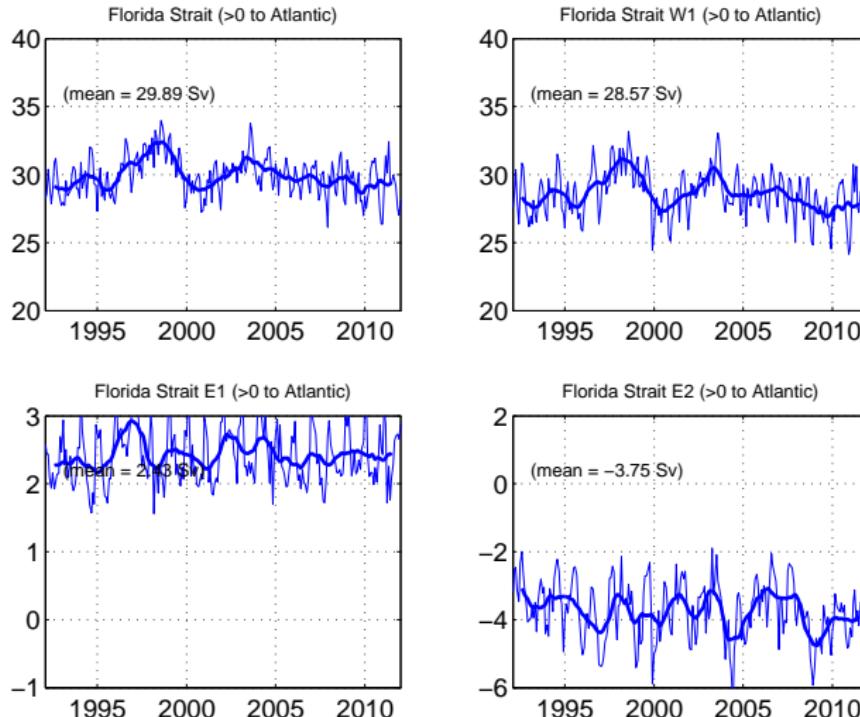


Figure : volume transports entering the Atlantic (Sv, annual mean)

## transects transport

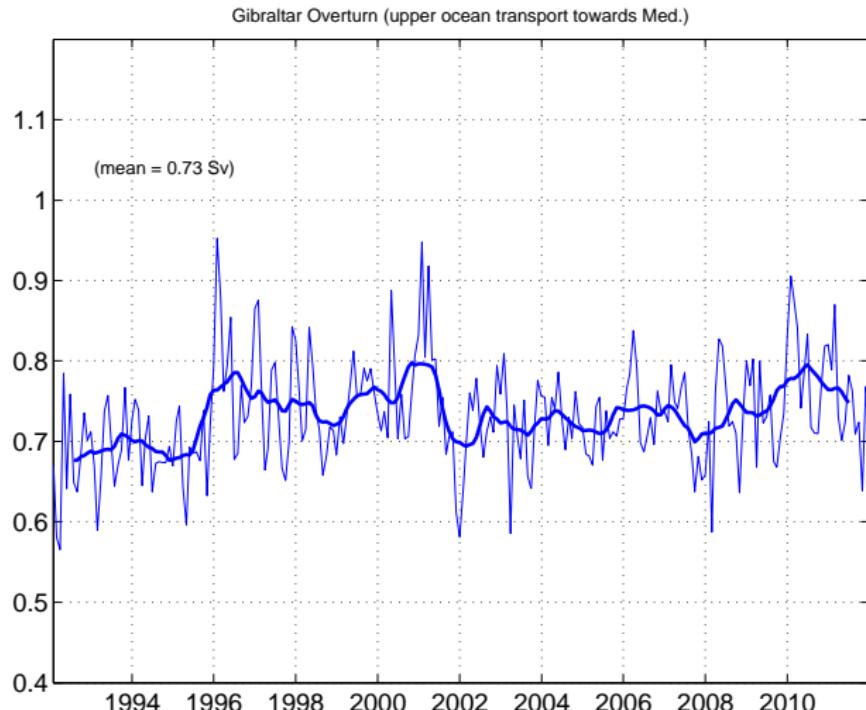


Figure : Gibraltar Overturn (Sv, annual mean)

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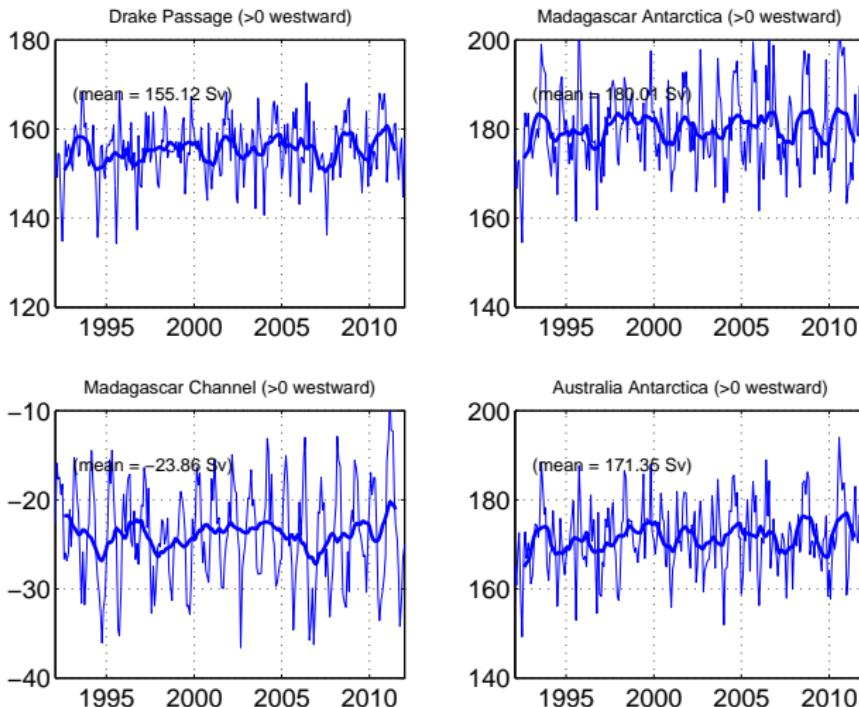


Figure : ACC volume transports (Sv, annual mean)

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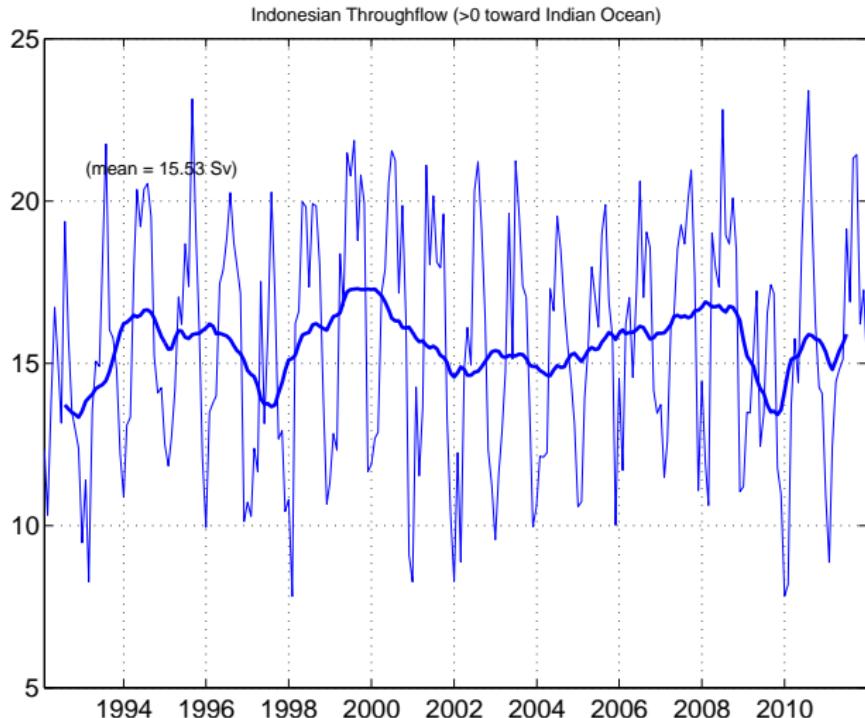


Figure : Indonesian Throughflow (Sv, annual mean)

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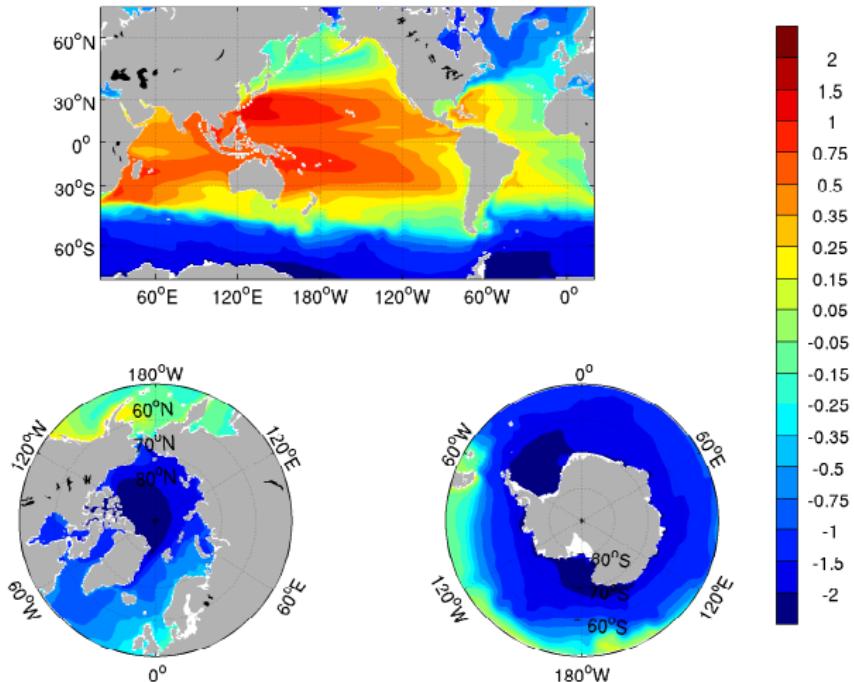


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – sea surface height (EXCLUDING ice, in m)

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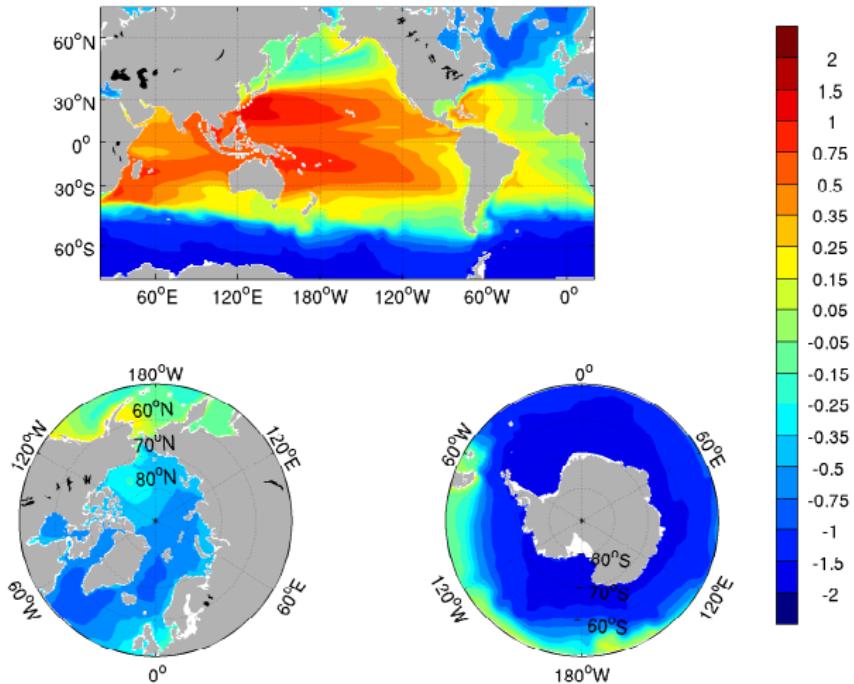


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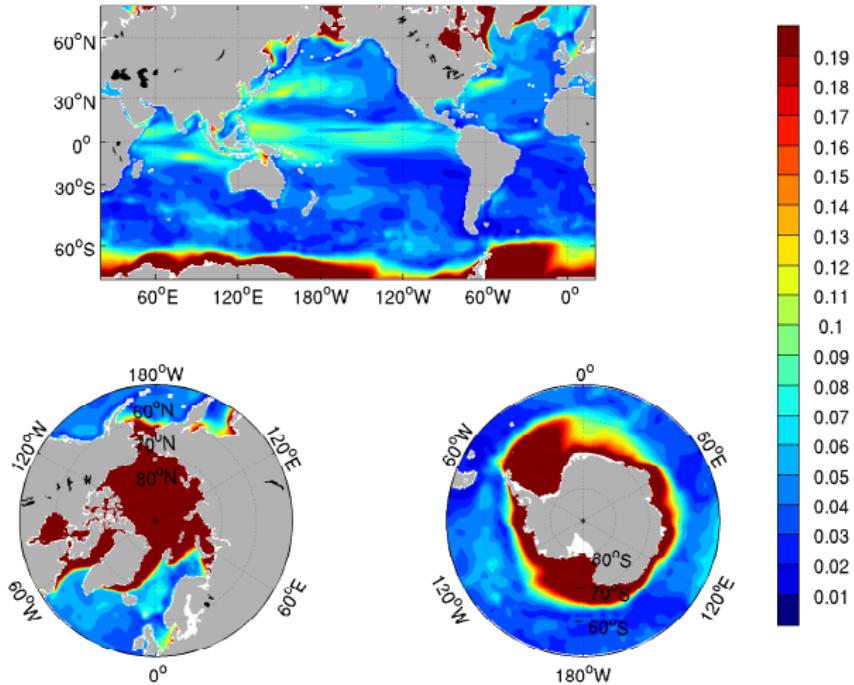


Figure : 1992-2011 standard deviation – sea surface height (EXCLUDING ice, in m)

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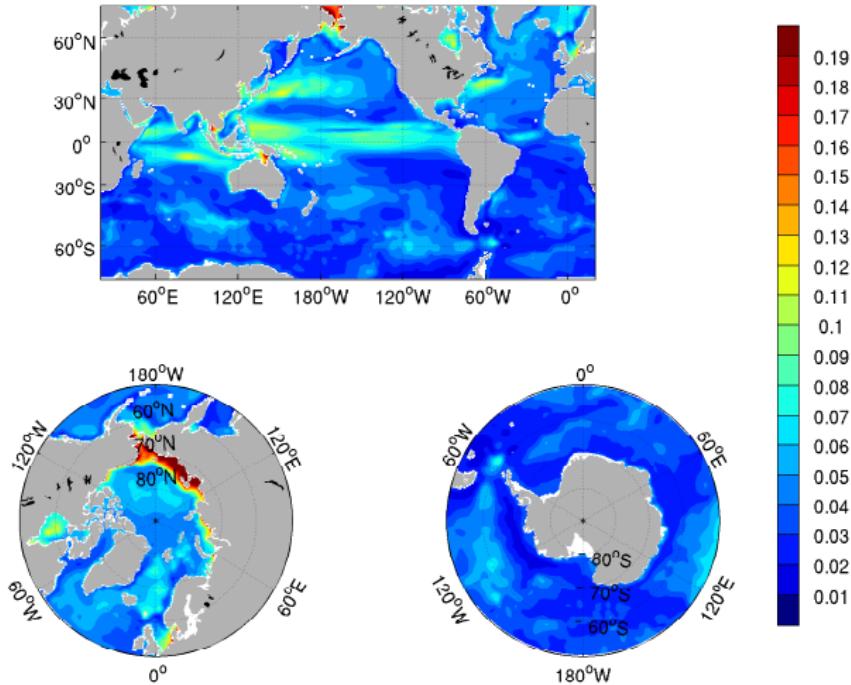


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# 3D state variables

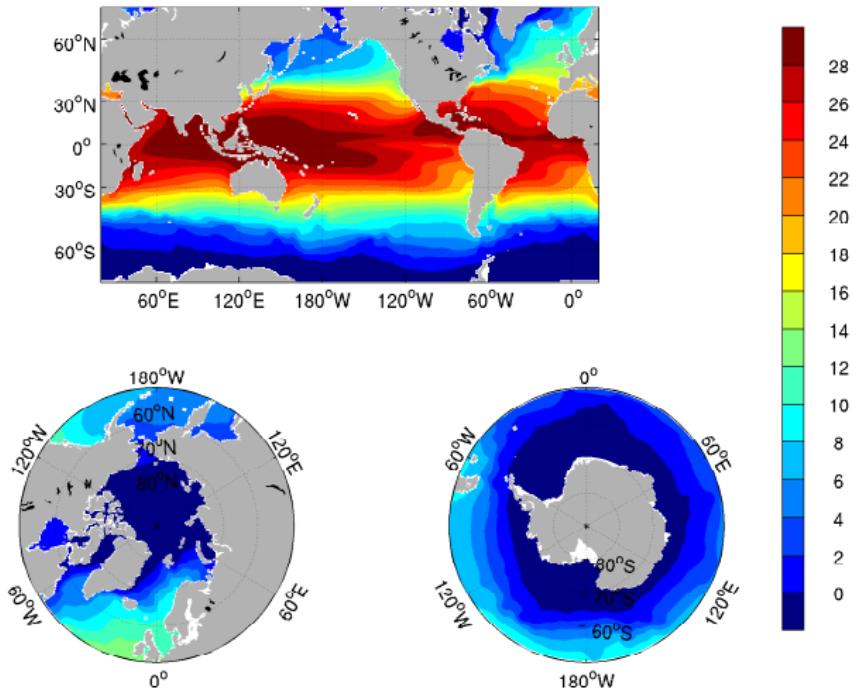


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – temperature (in degC) at 5m

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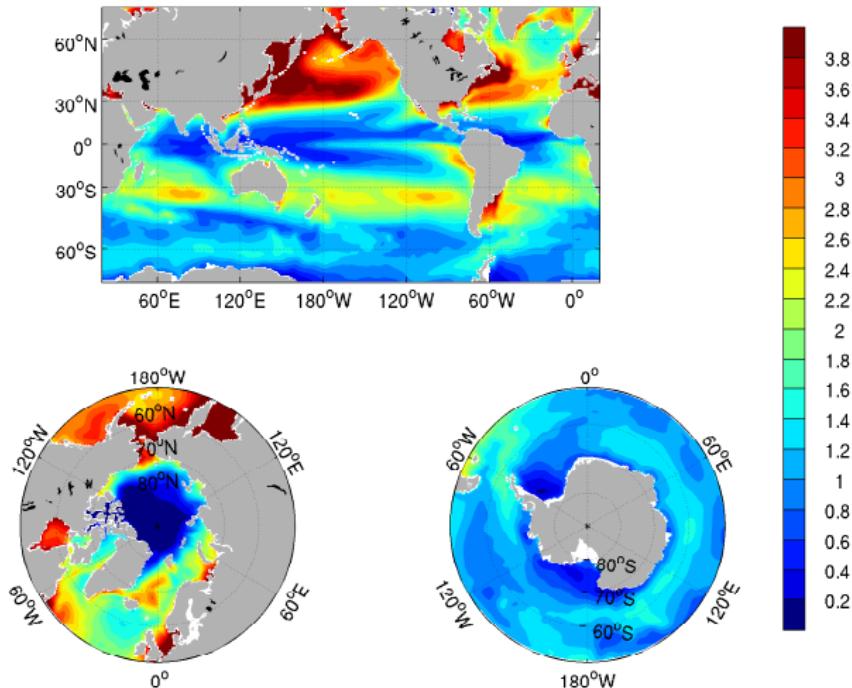


Figure : 1992-2011 standard deviation – temperature (in degC) at 5m

# 3D state variables

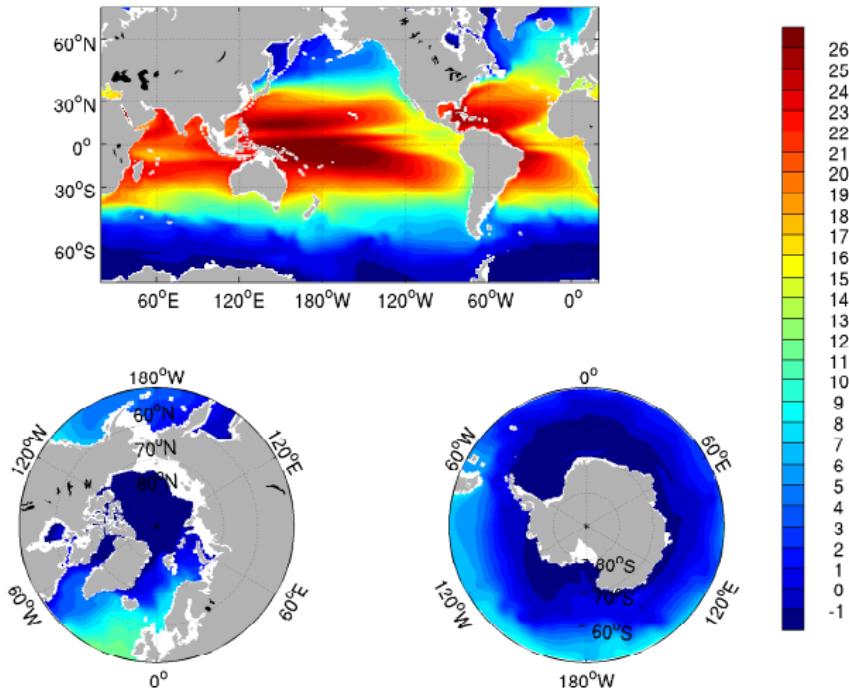


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – temperature (in degC) at 105m

# 3D state variables

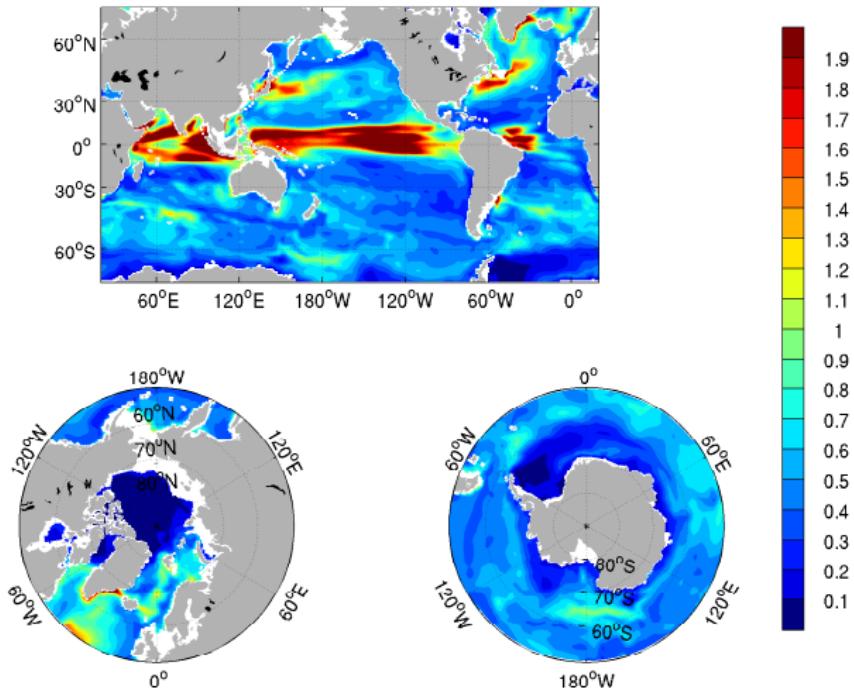


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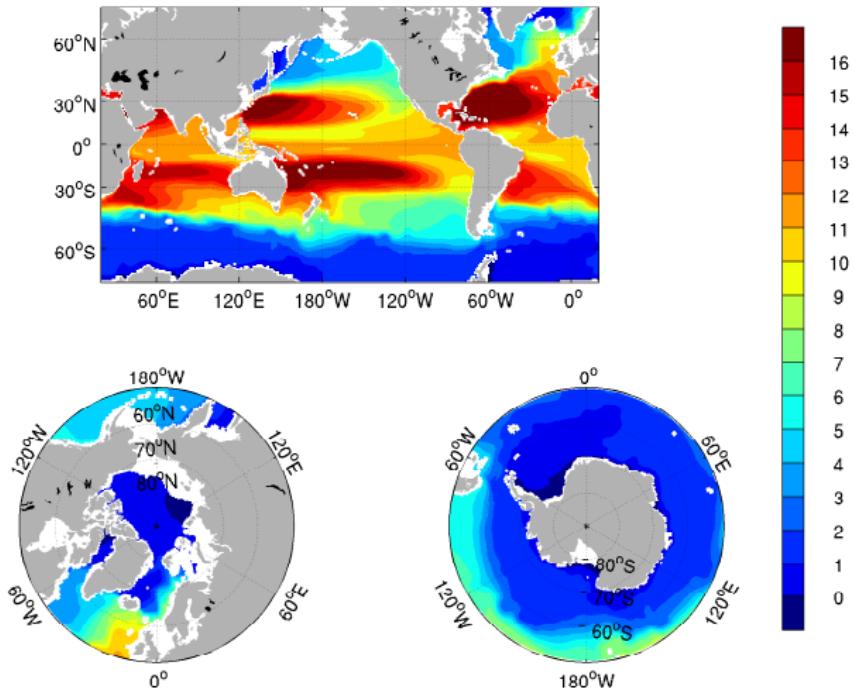


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – temperature (in degC) at 300m

## 3D state variables

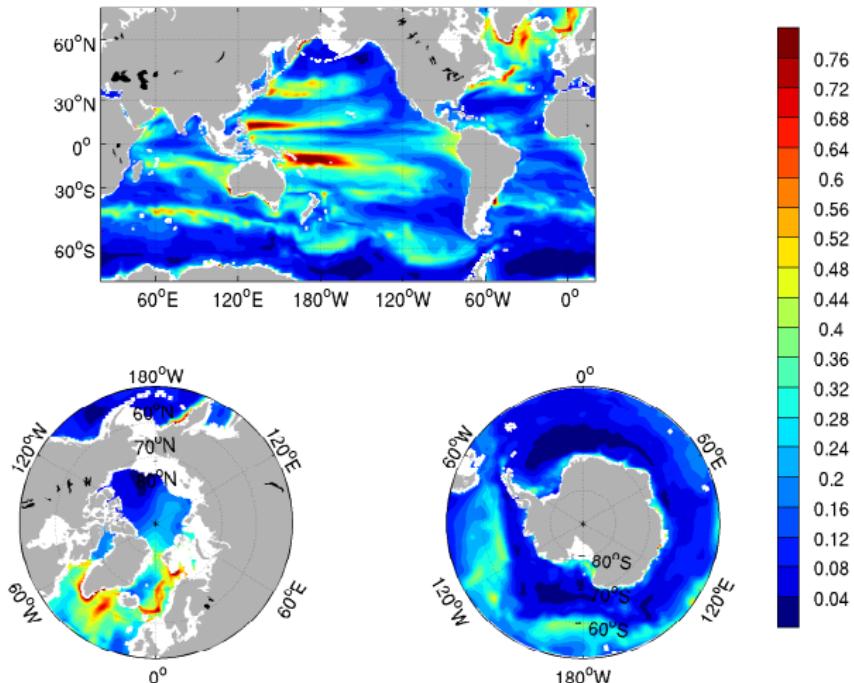


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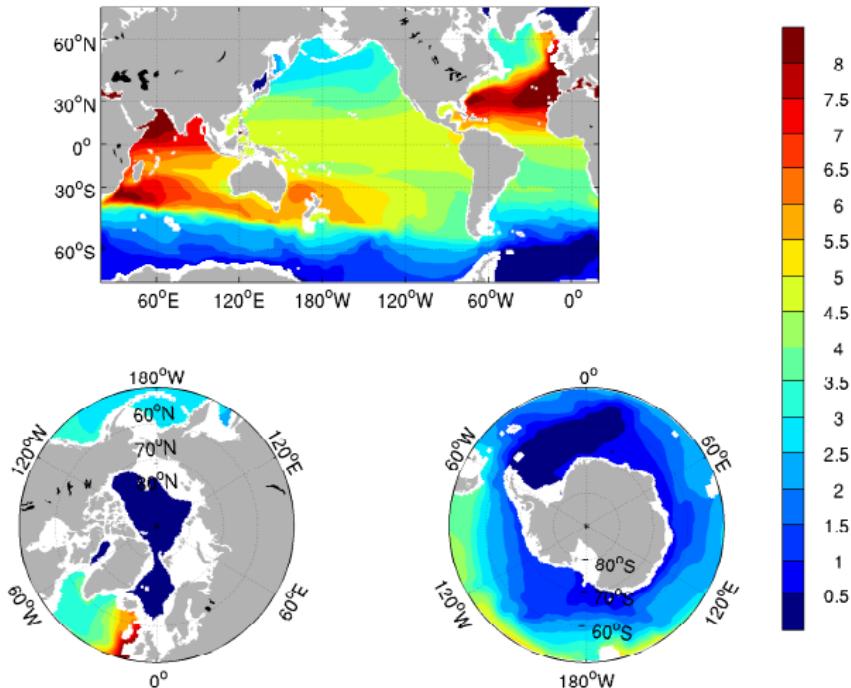


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – temperature (in degC) at 910m

## 3D state variables

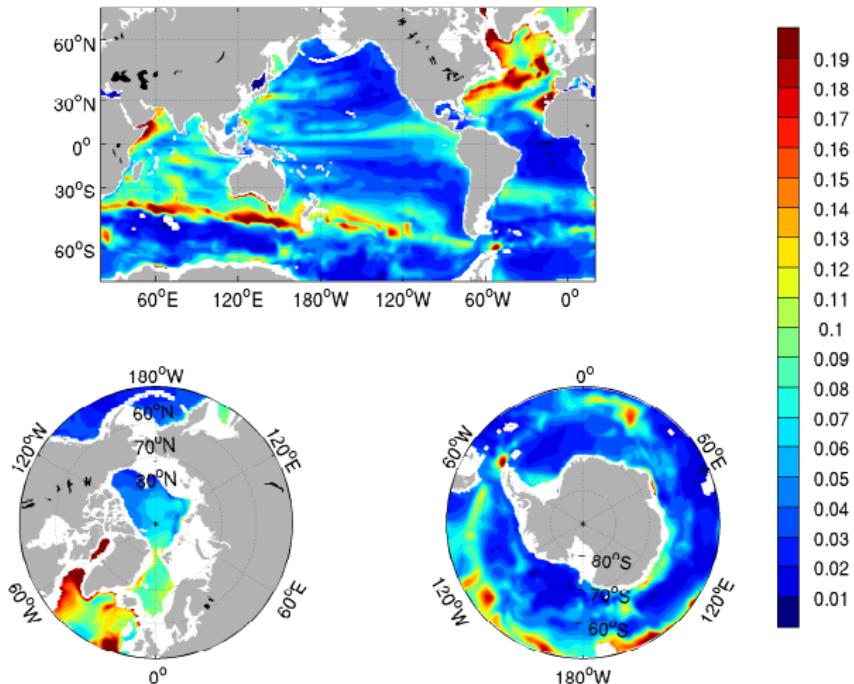


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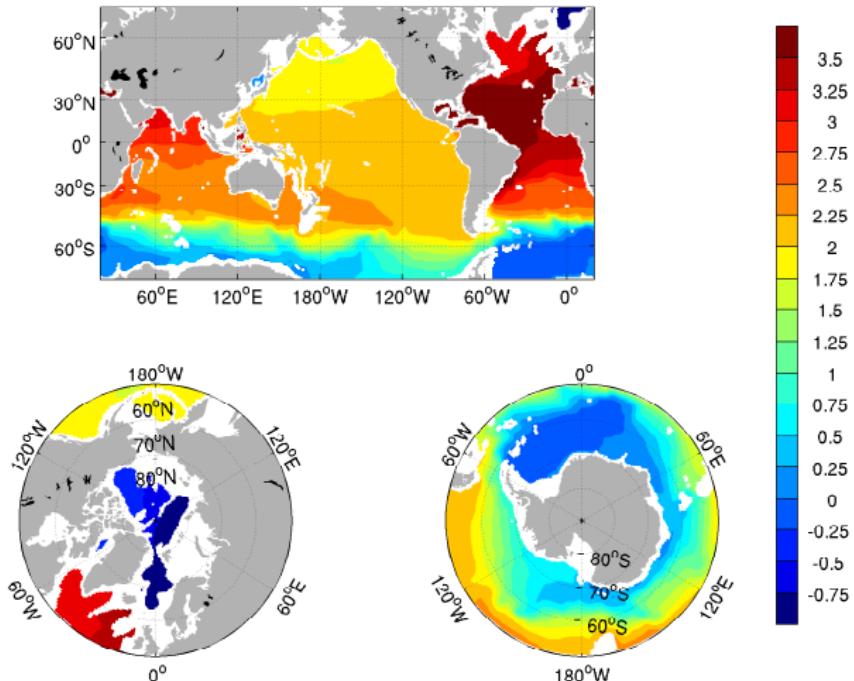


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – temperature (in degC) at 1914m

## 3D state variables

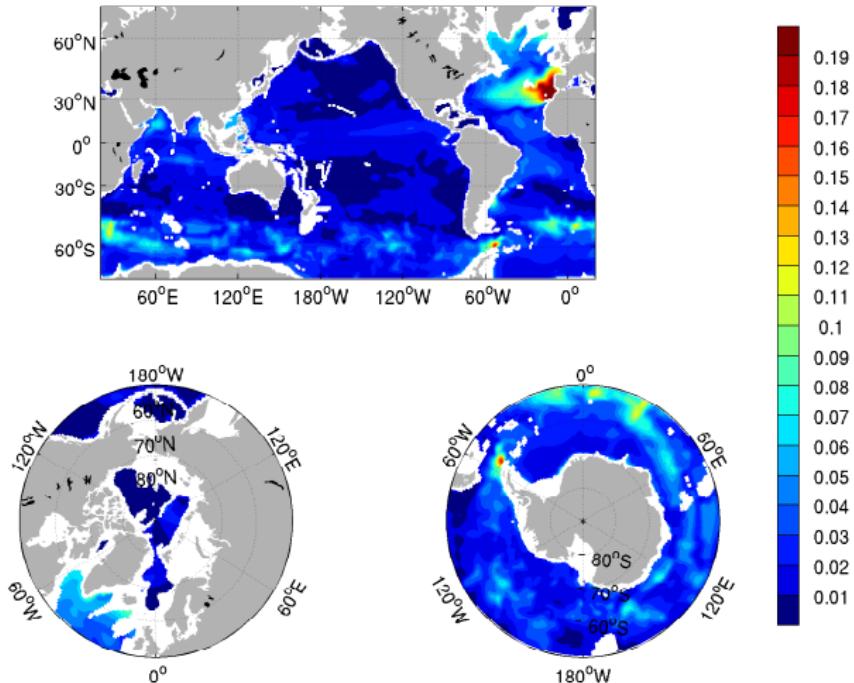


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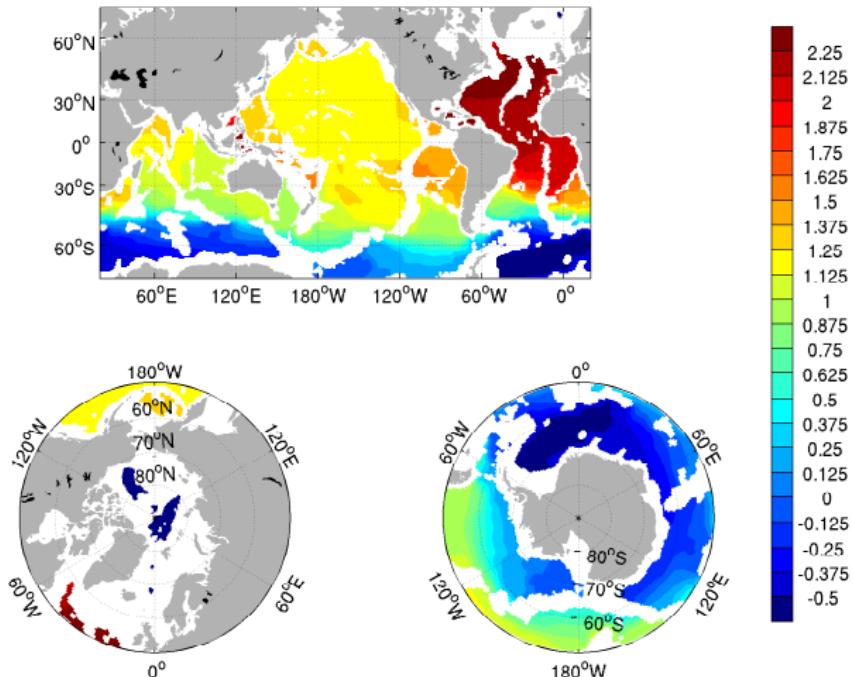


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – temperature (in degC) at 3581m

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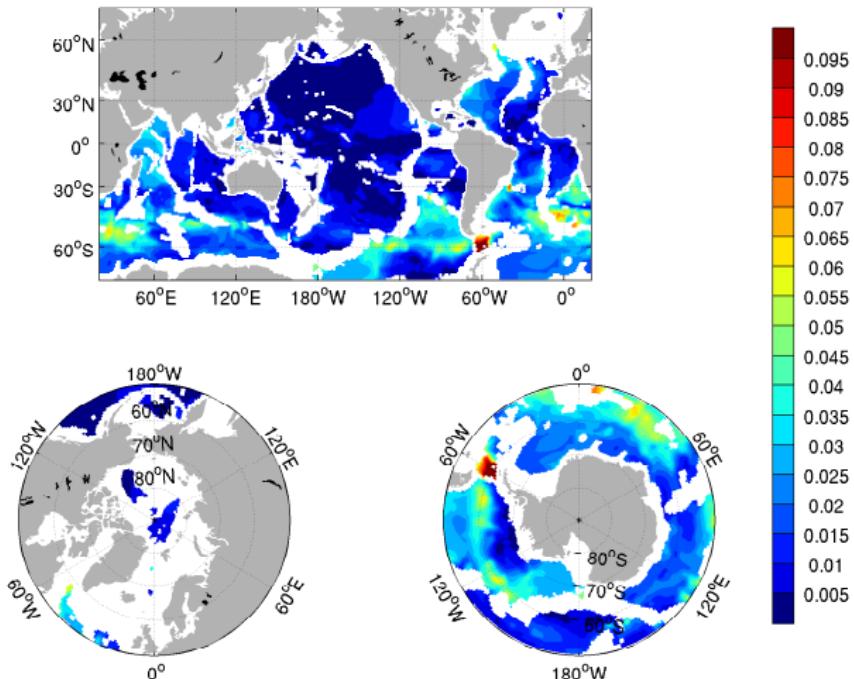


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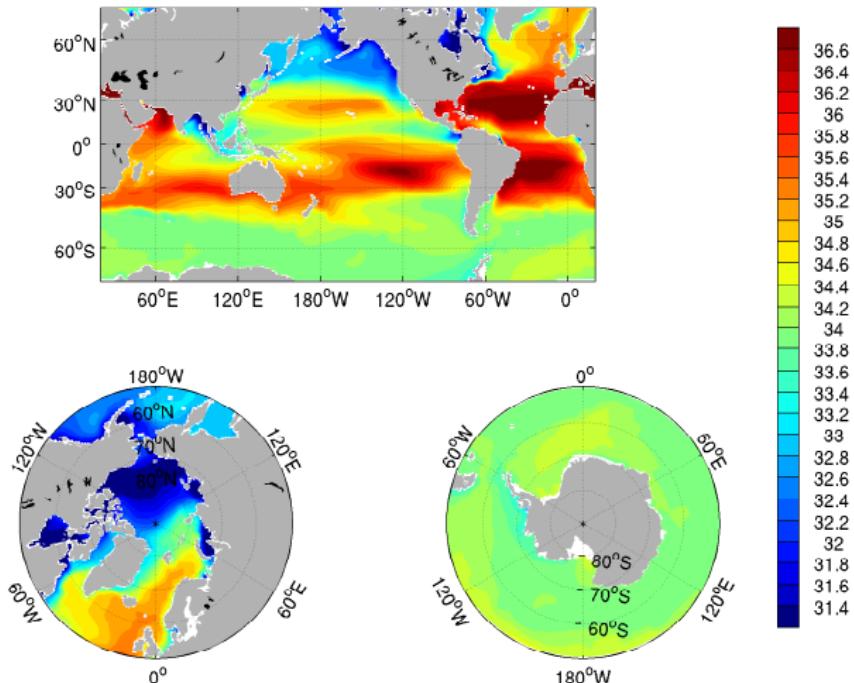


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – salinity (in psu) at 5m

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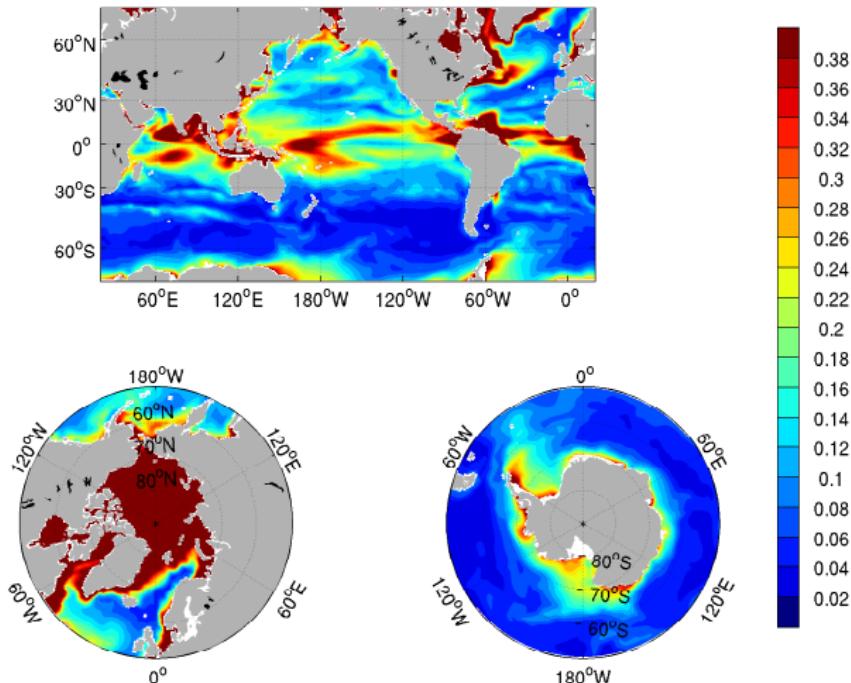


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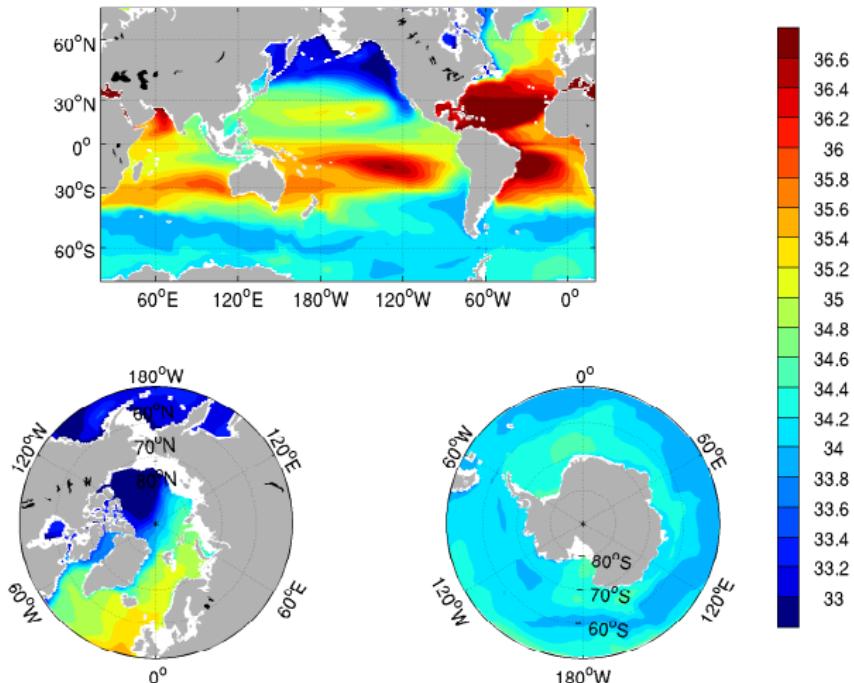


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – salinity (in psu) at 105m

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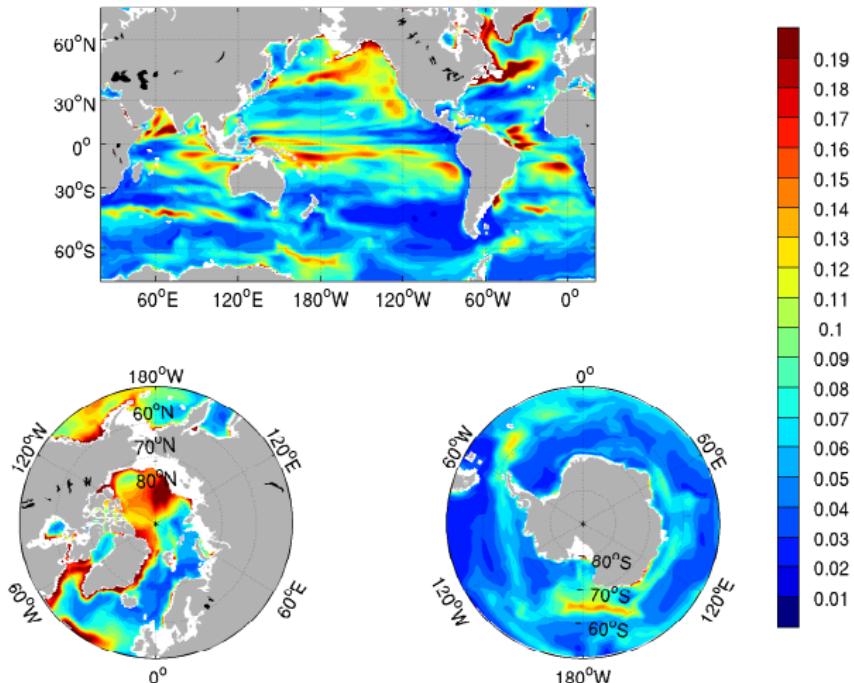


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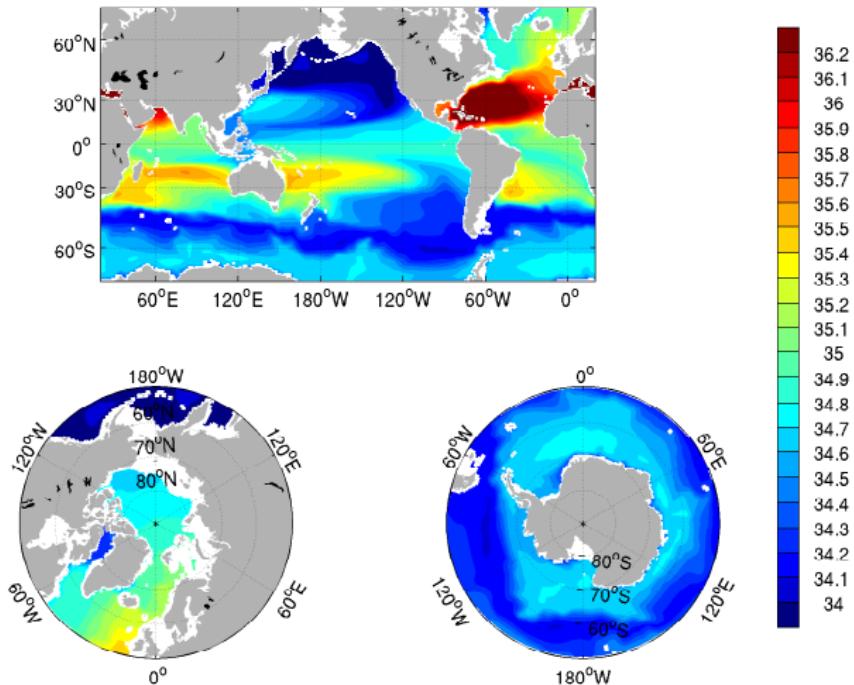


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – salinity (in psu) at 300m

## 3D state variables

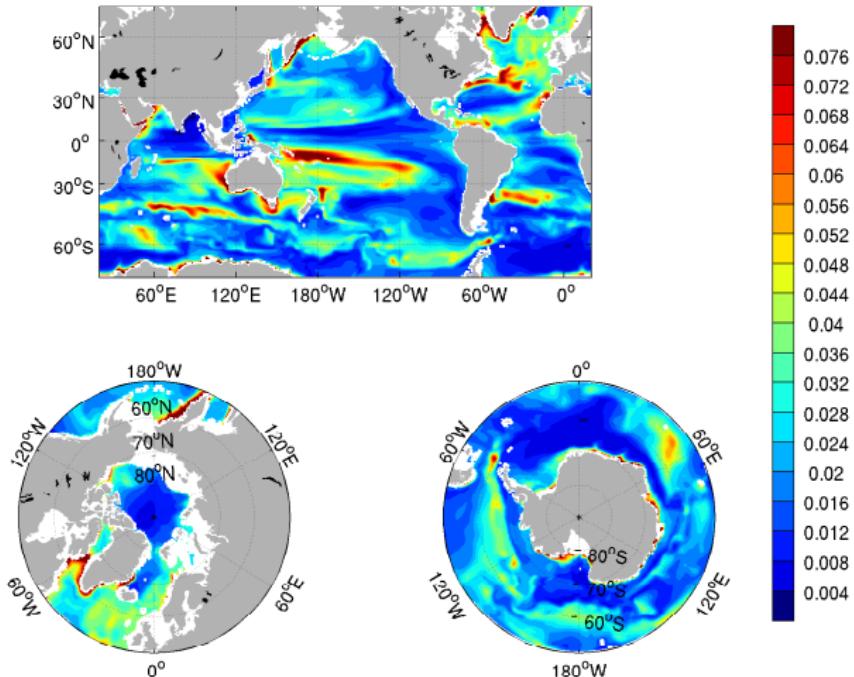


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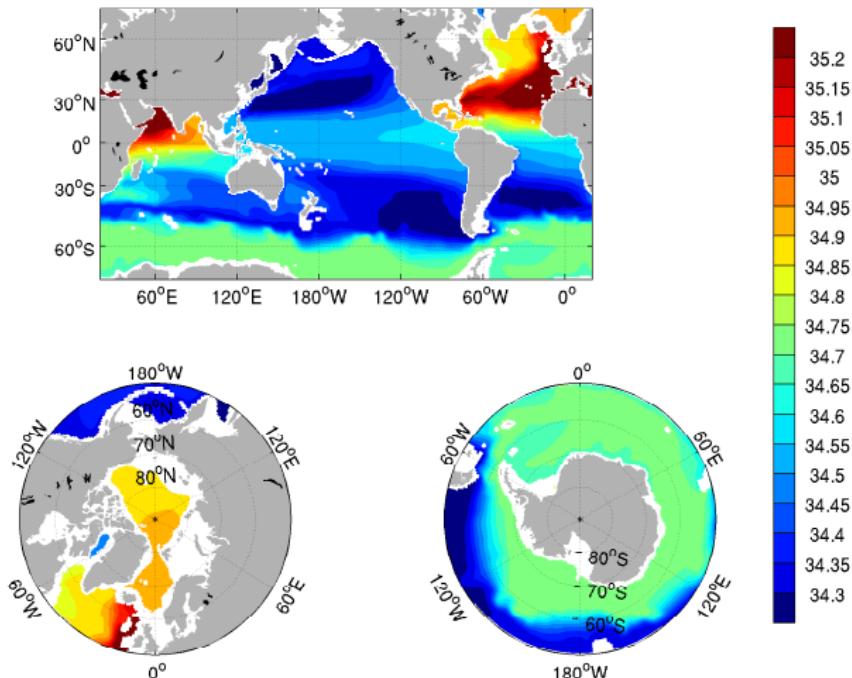


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – salinity (in psu) at 910m

## 3D state variables

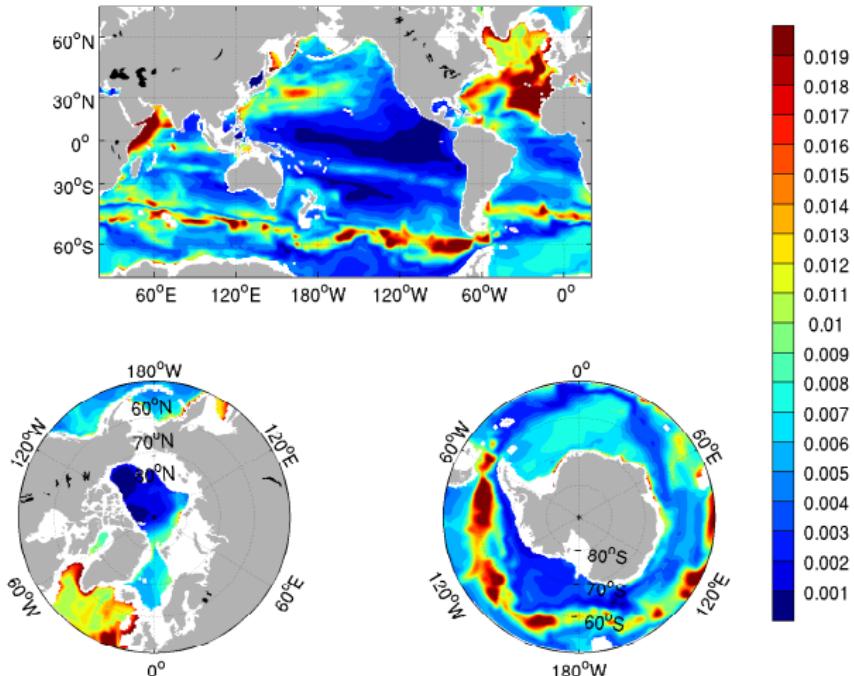


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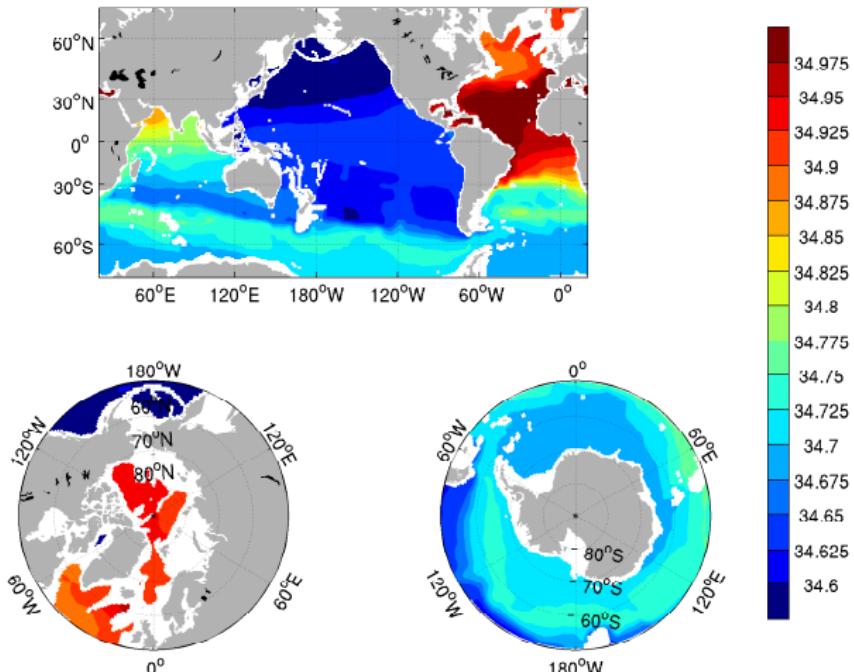


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## 3D state variables

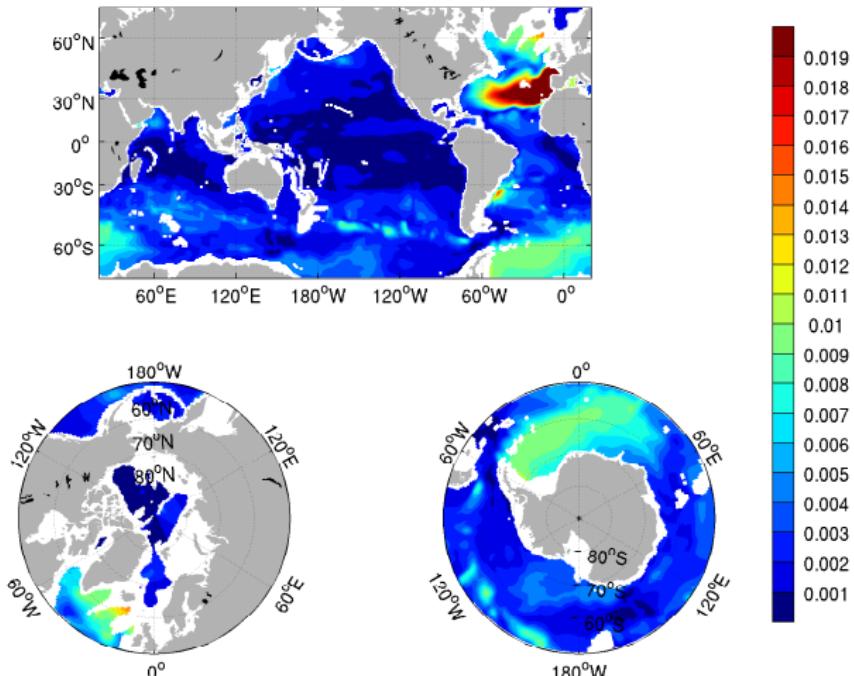


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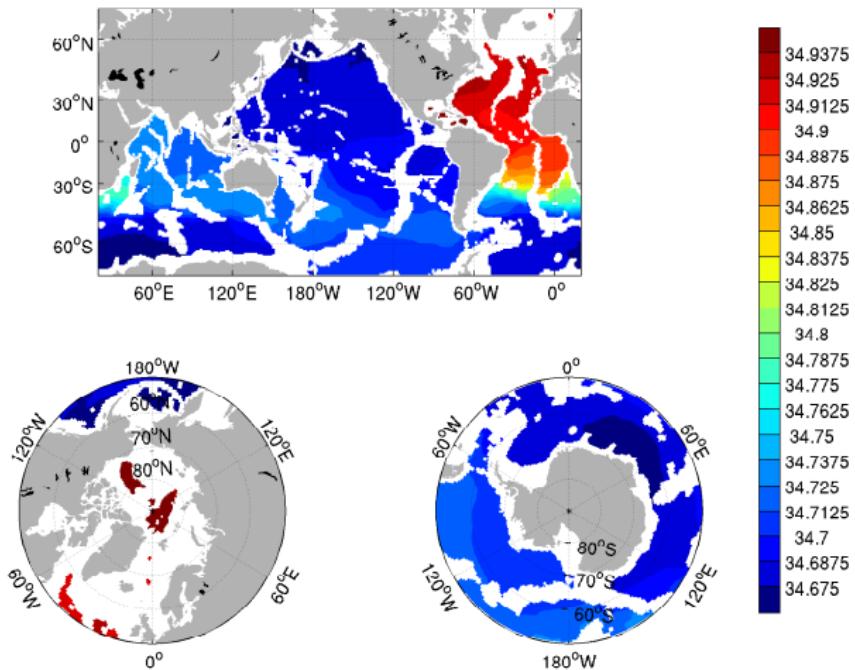


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – salinity (in psu) at 3581m

# 3D state variables

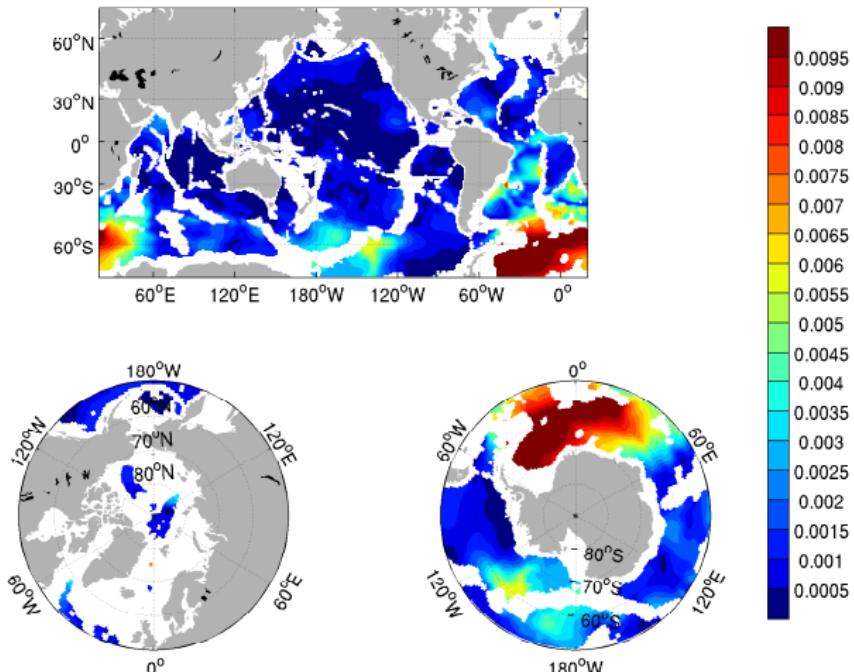


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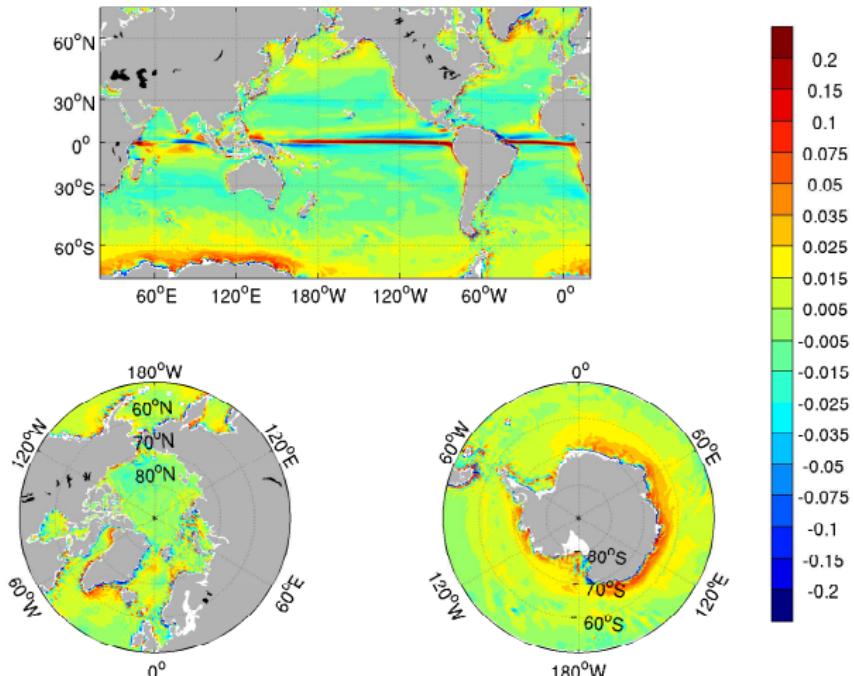


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – vertical velocity (in mm/year) at 15m

# 3D state variables

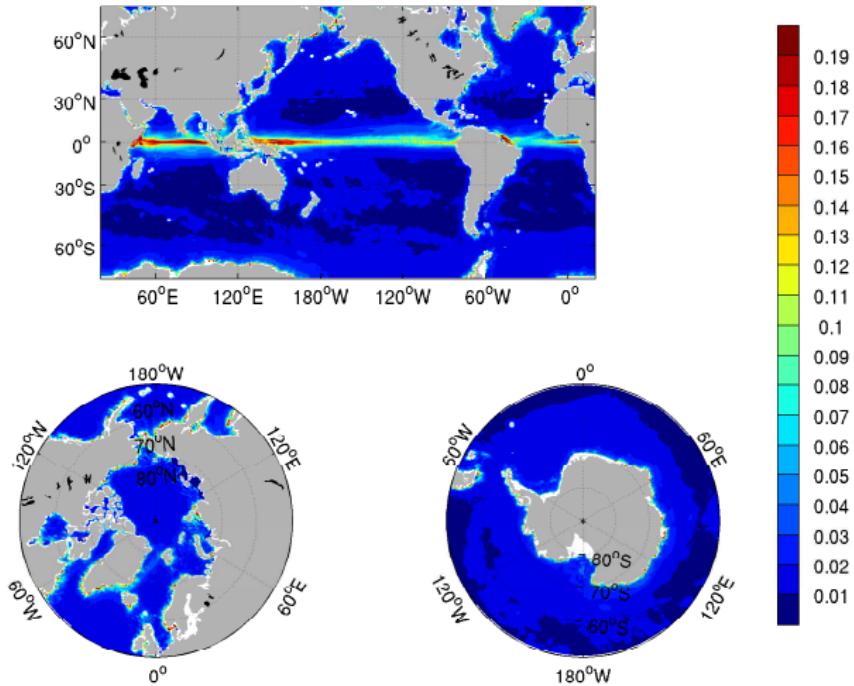


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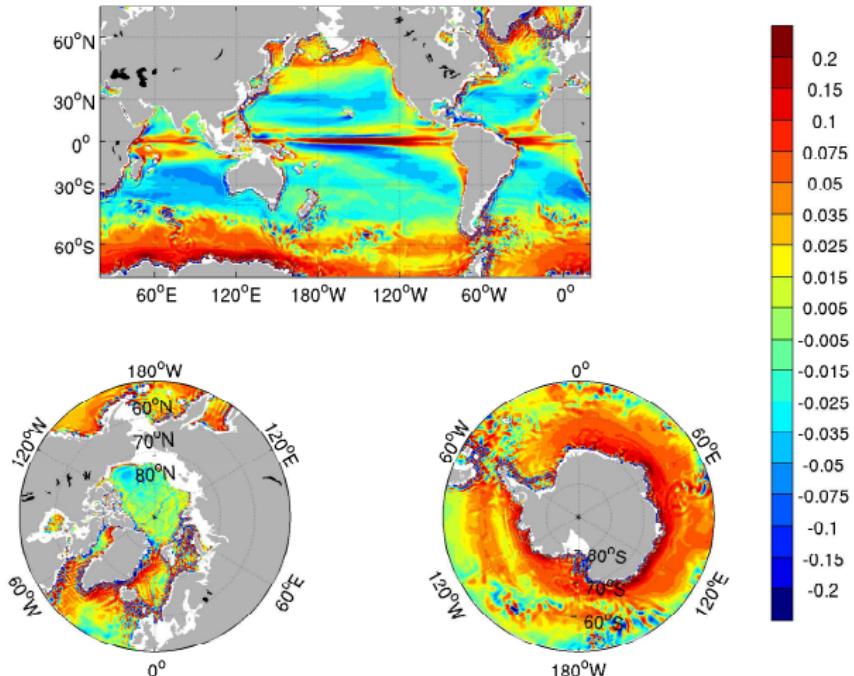


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – vertical velocity (in mm/year) at 105m

# 3D state variables

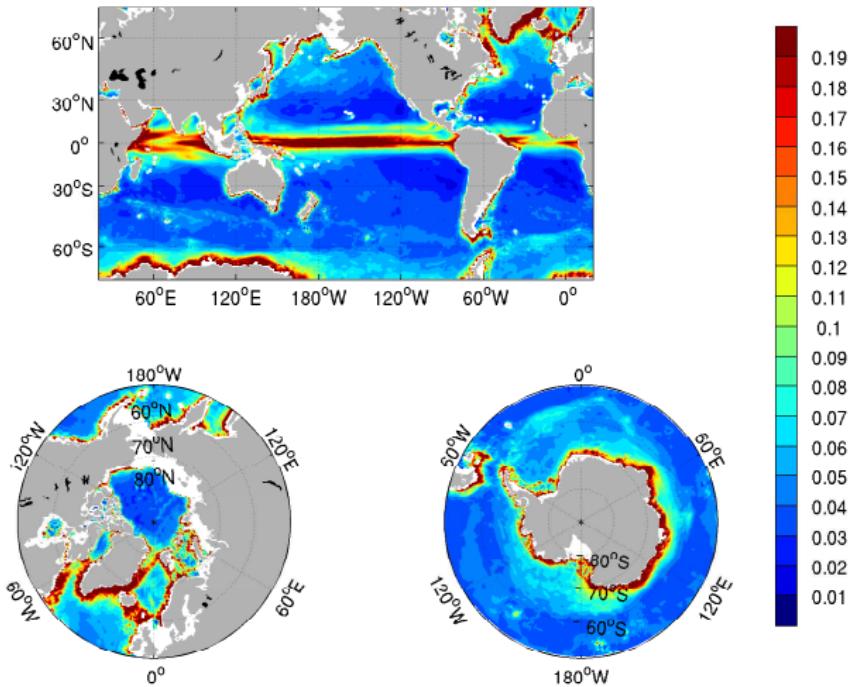


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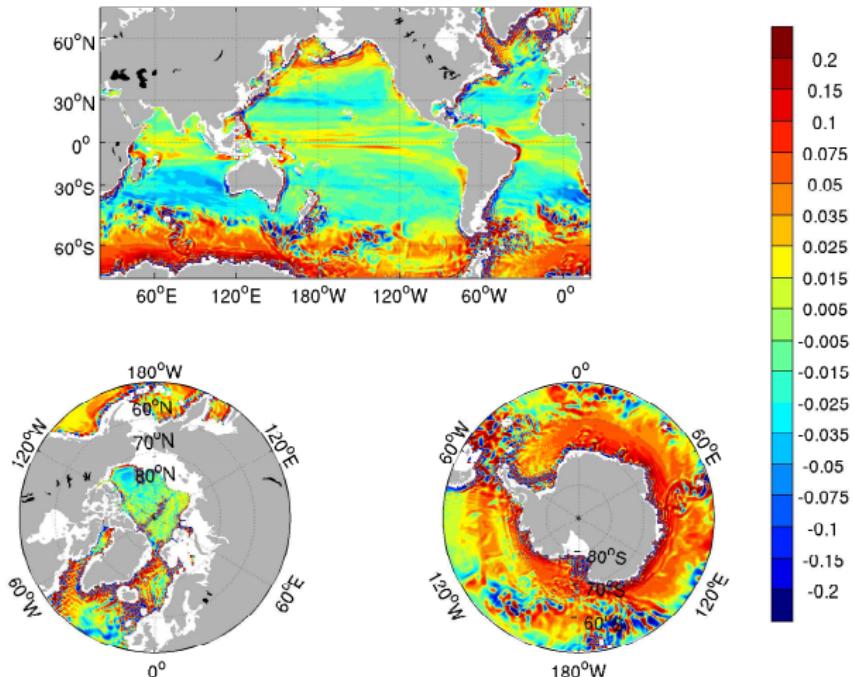


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – vertical velocity (in mm/year) at 300m

## 3D state variables

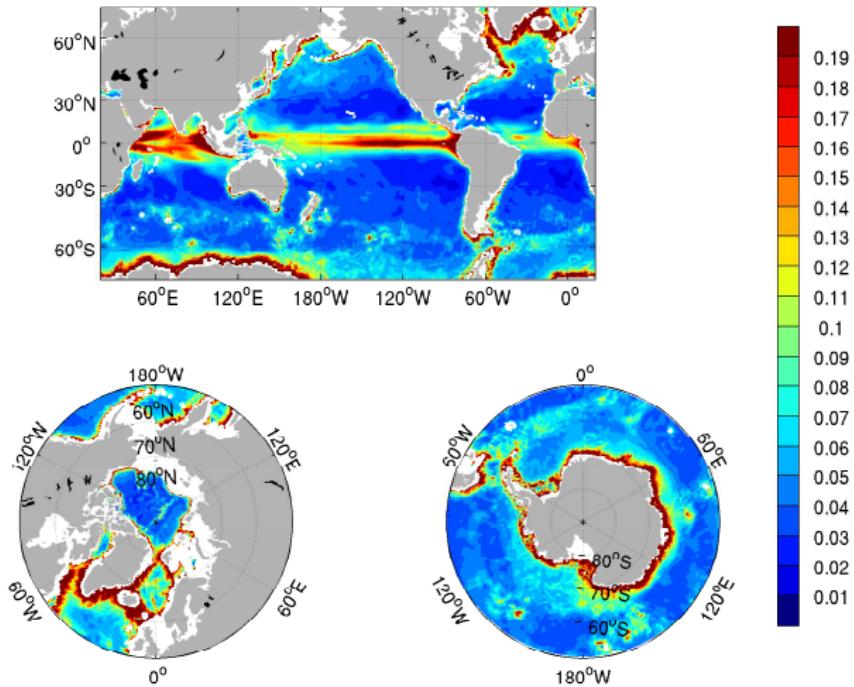


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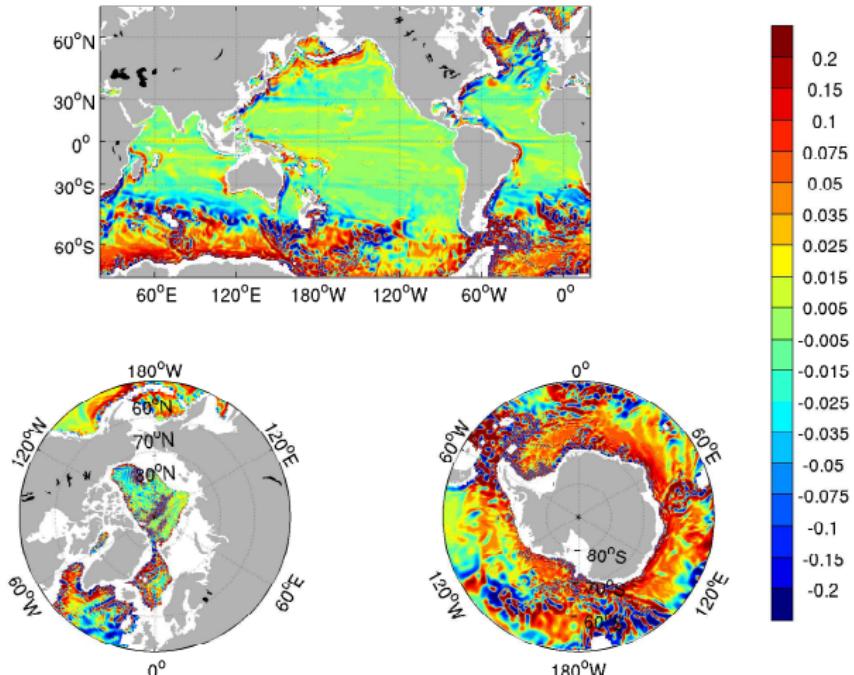


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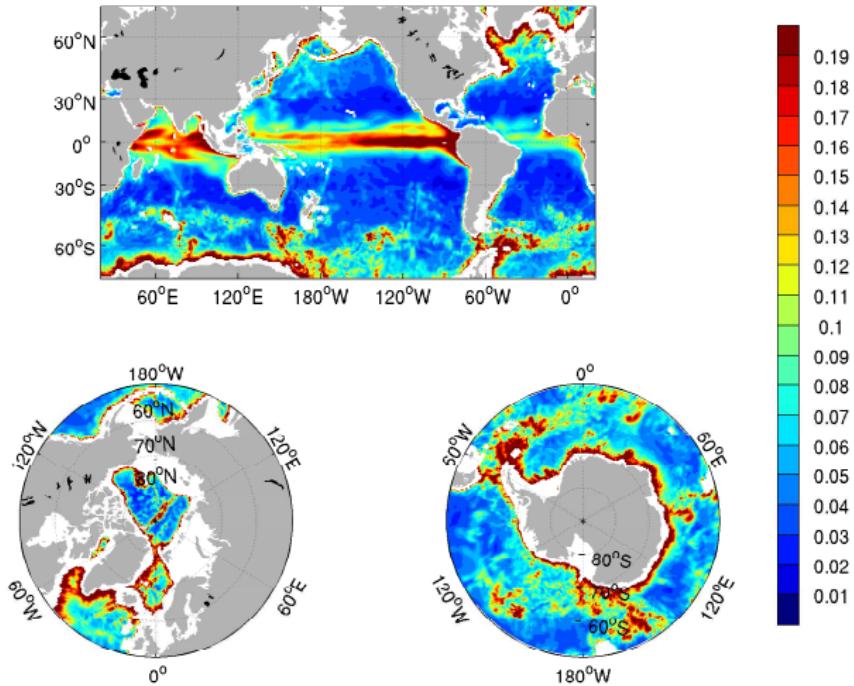


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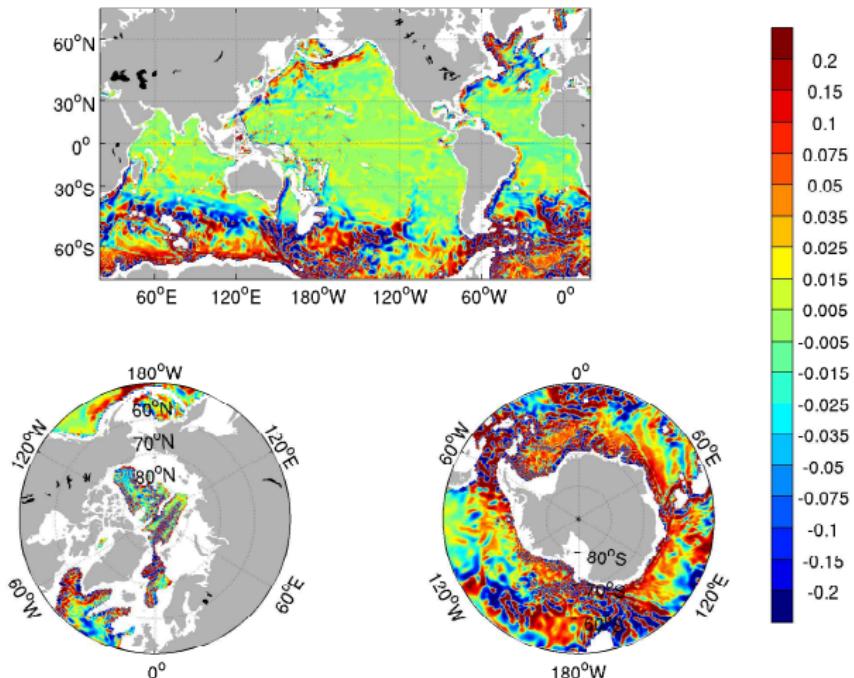


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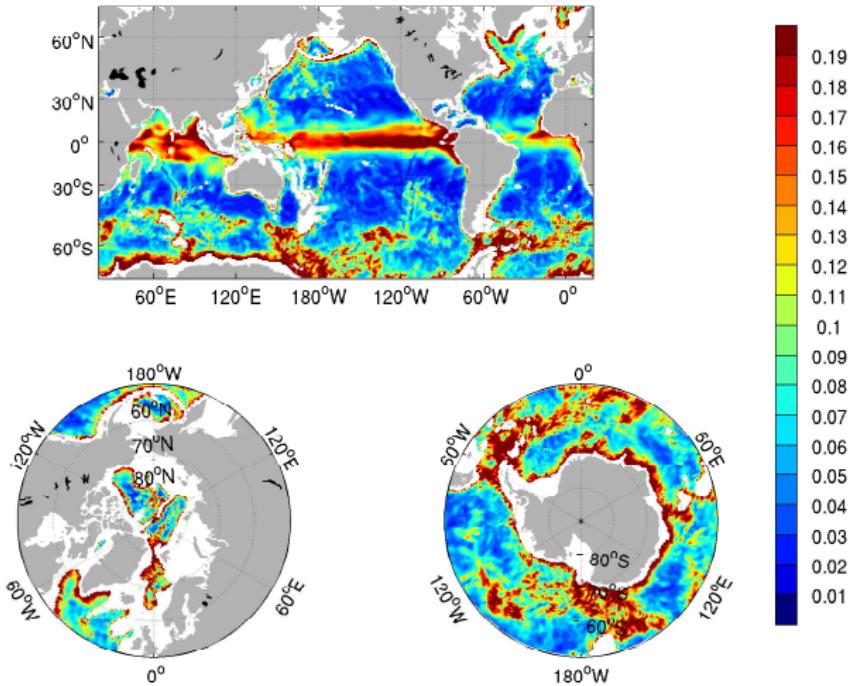


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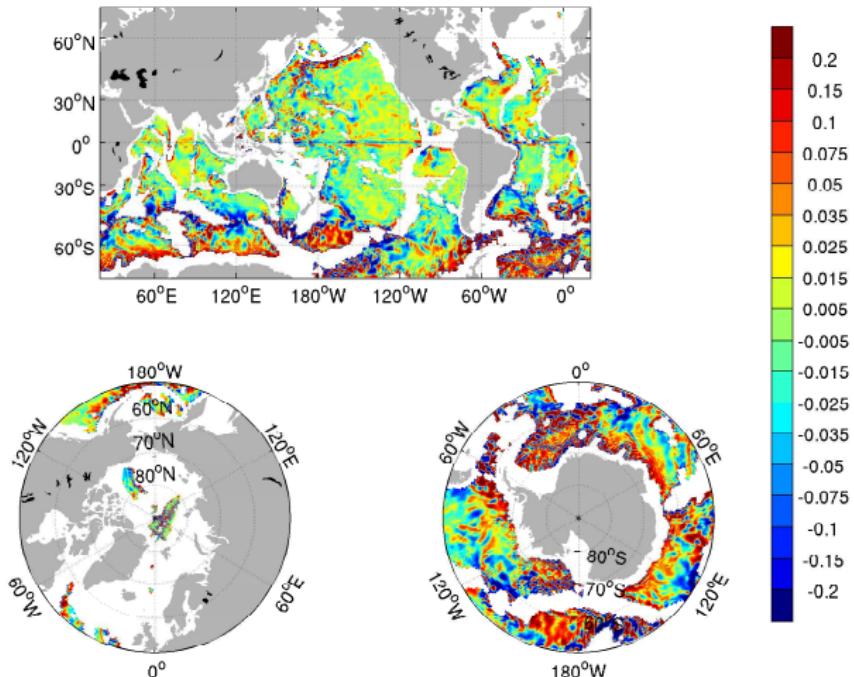


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – vertical velocity (in mm/year) at 3581m

# 3D state variables

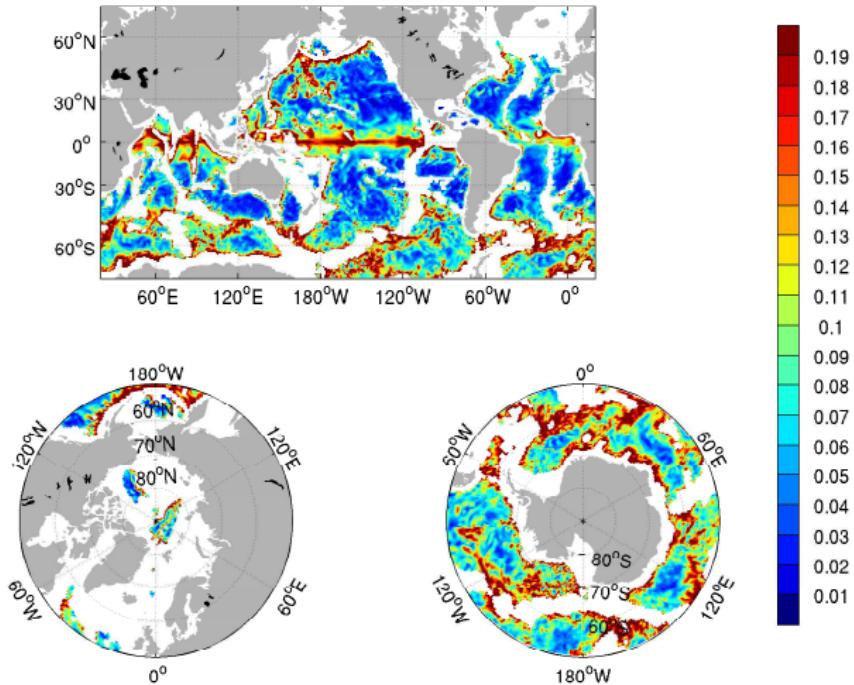


Figure : 1992-2011 standard deviation – vertical velocity (in mm/year) at 3581m

# air-sea heat flux

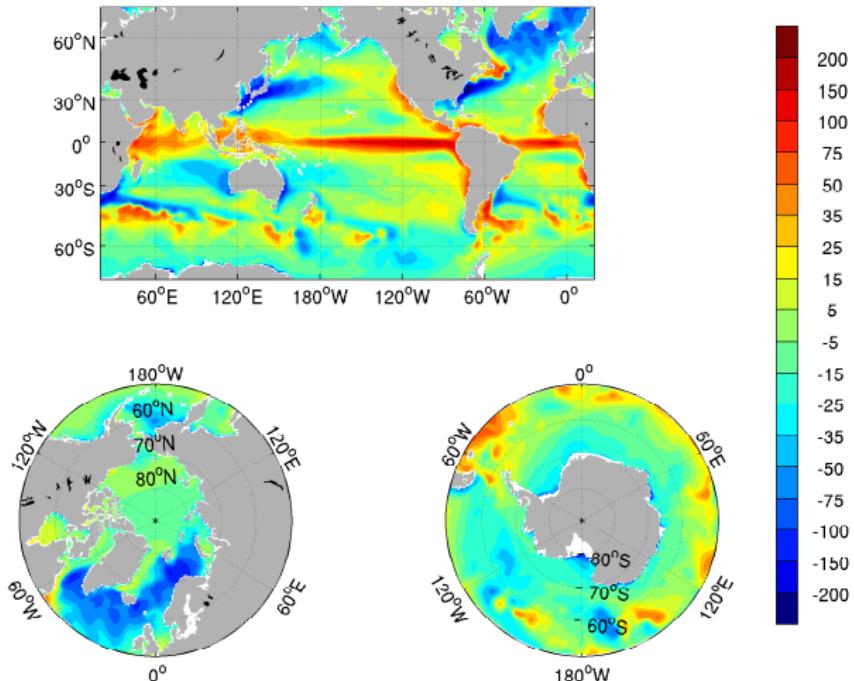


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – QNET to ocean+ice (W/m<sup>2</sup>)

# air-sea heat flux

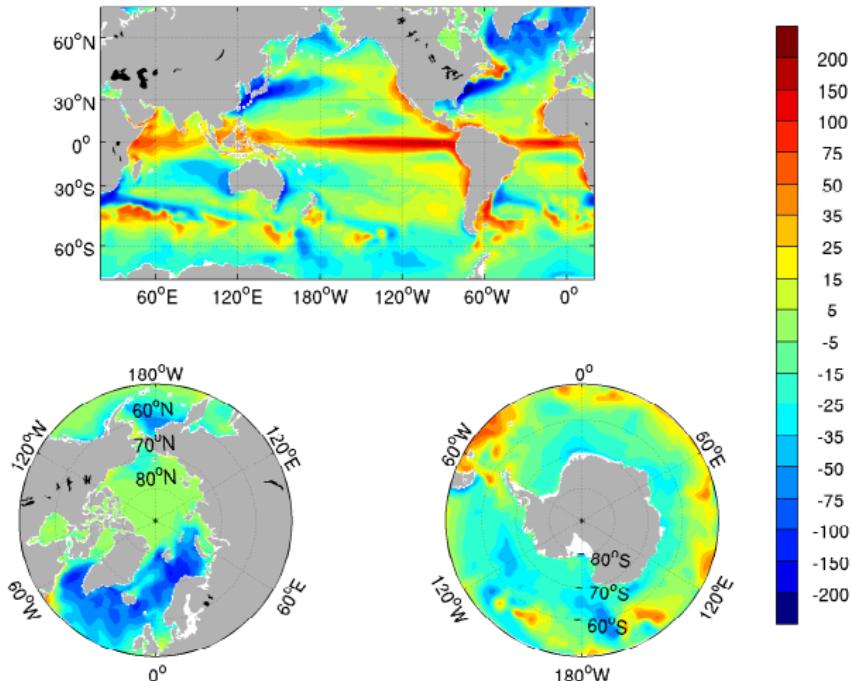


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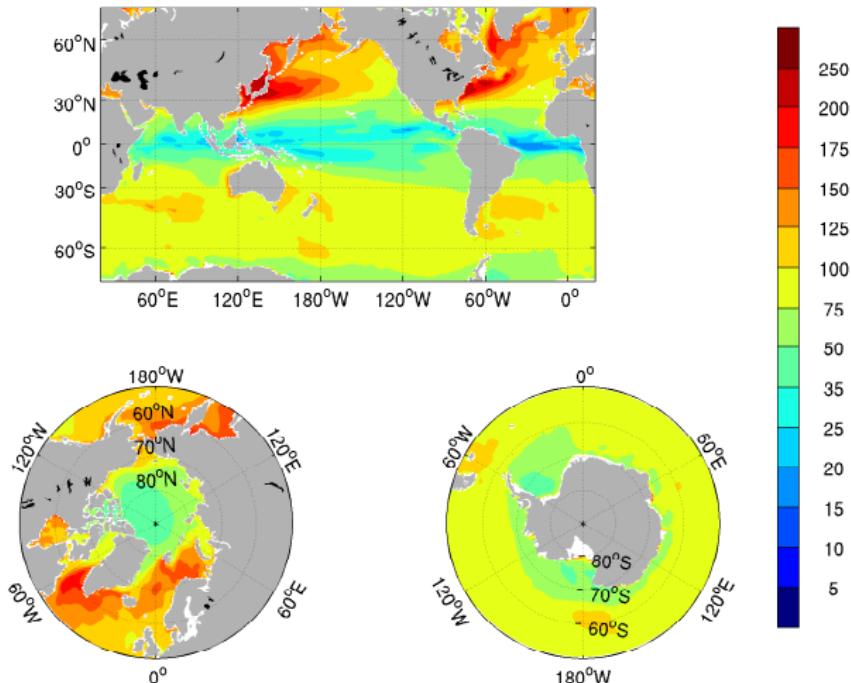


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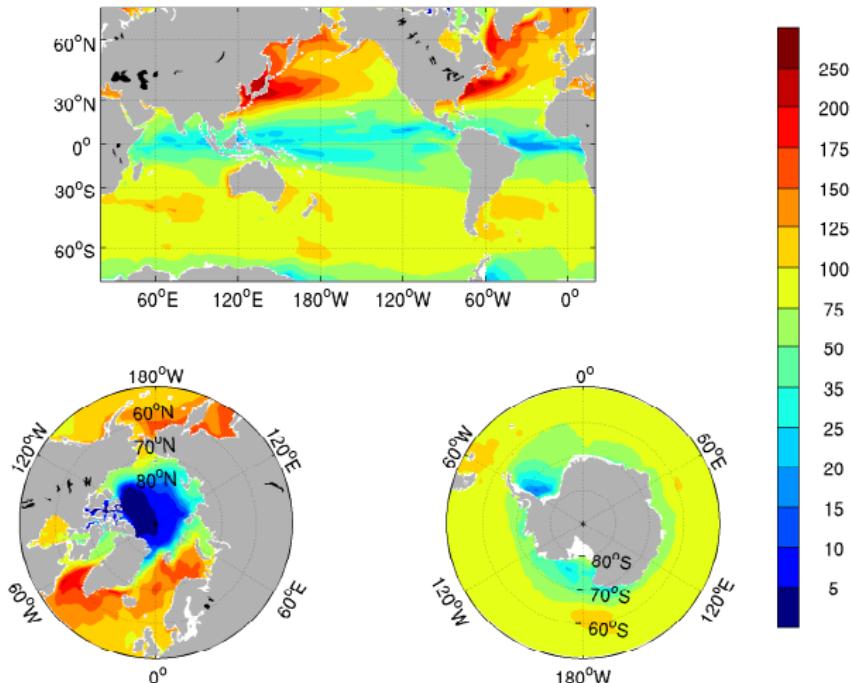


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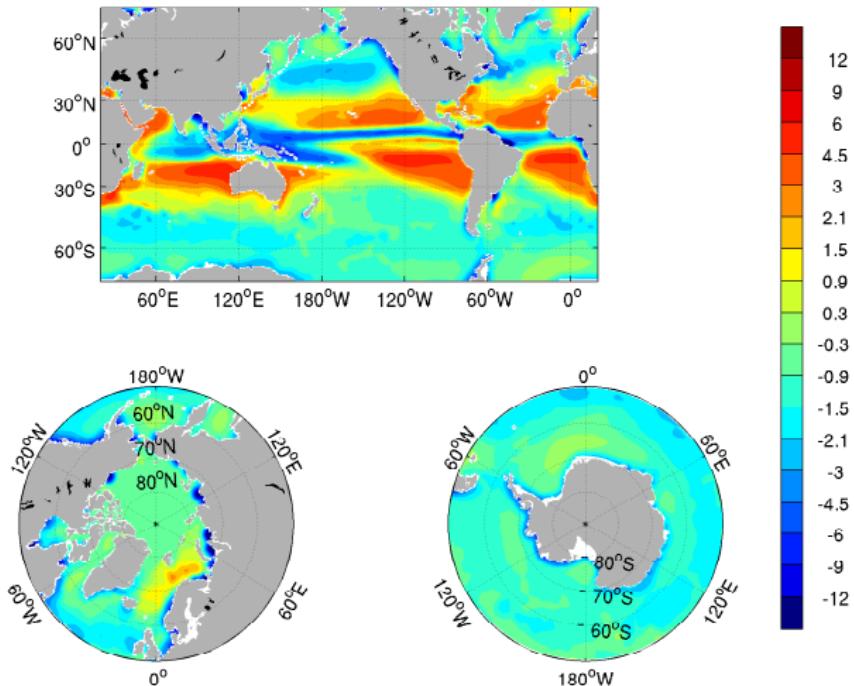


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – E-P-R from ocean+ice (mm/day)

# air-sea freshwater flux

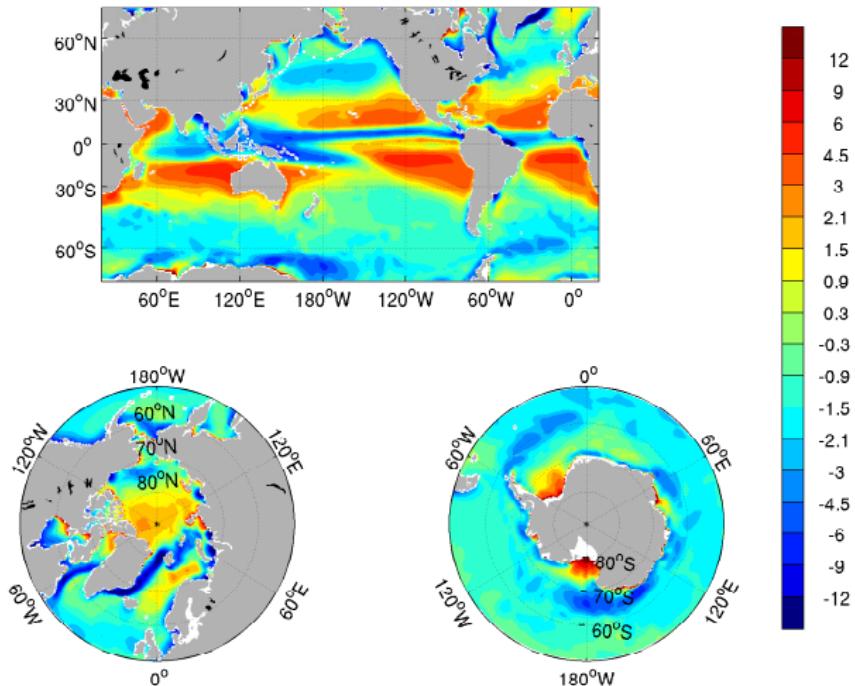


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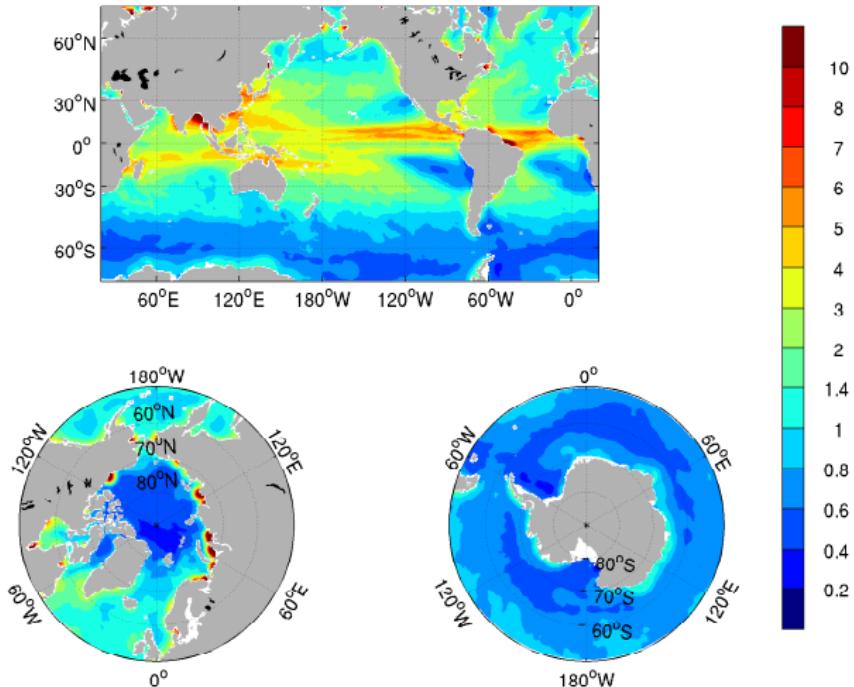


Figure : 1992-2011 standard deviation – E-P-R to ocean+ice ( $\text{W}/\text{m}^2$ )

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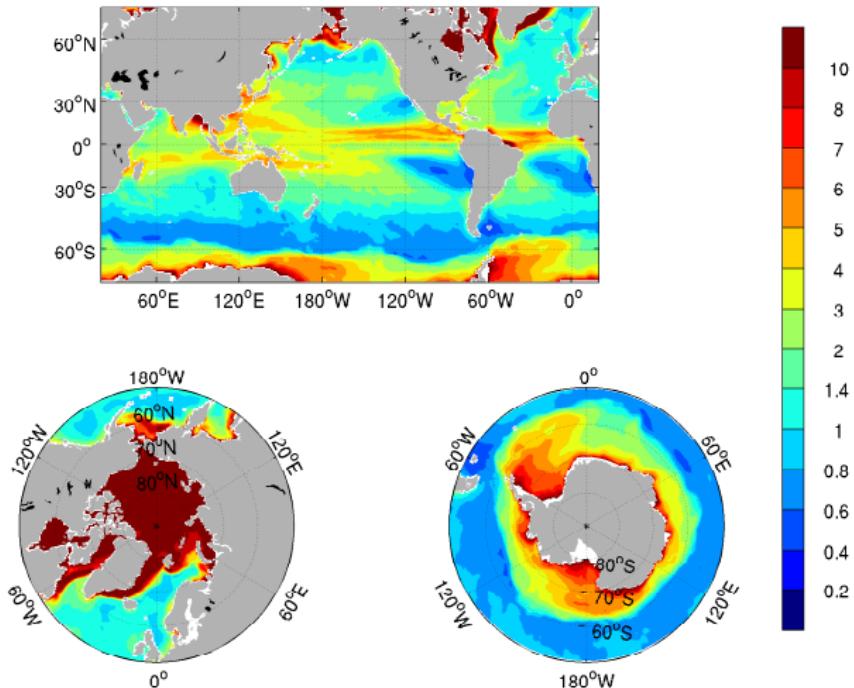


Figure : 1992-2011 standard deviation – E-P-R to ocean ( $\text{W}/\text{m}^2$ )

# surface wind stress

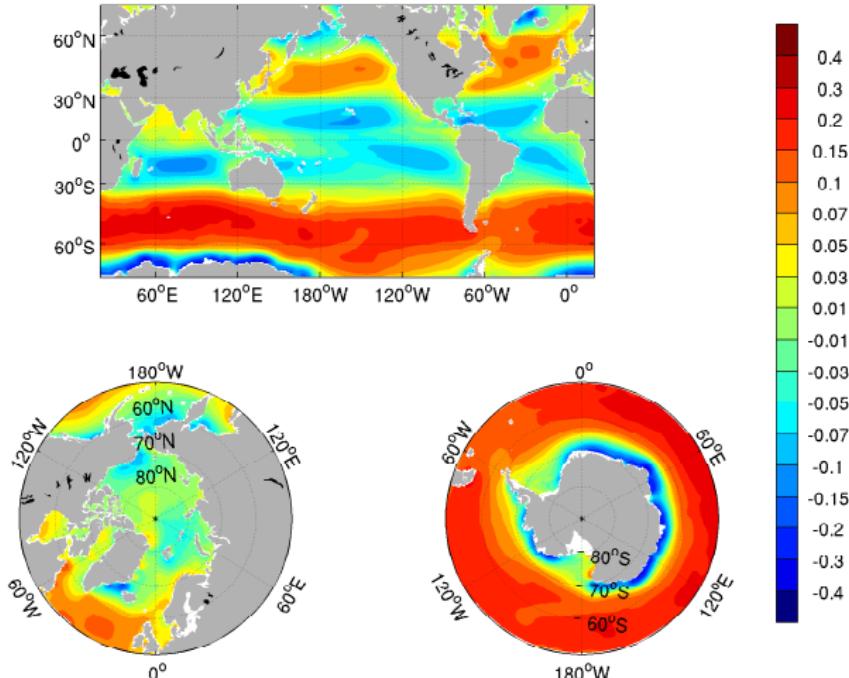


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – zonal wind stress ( $\text{N}/\text{m}^2$ )

# surface wind stress

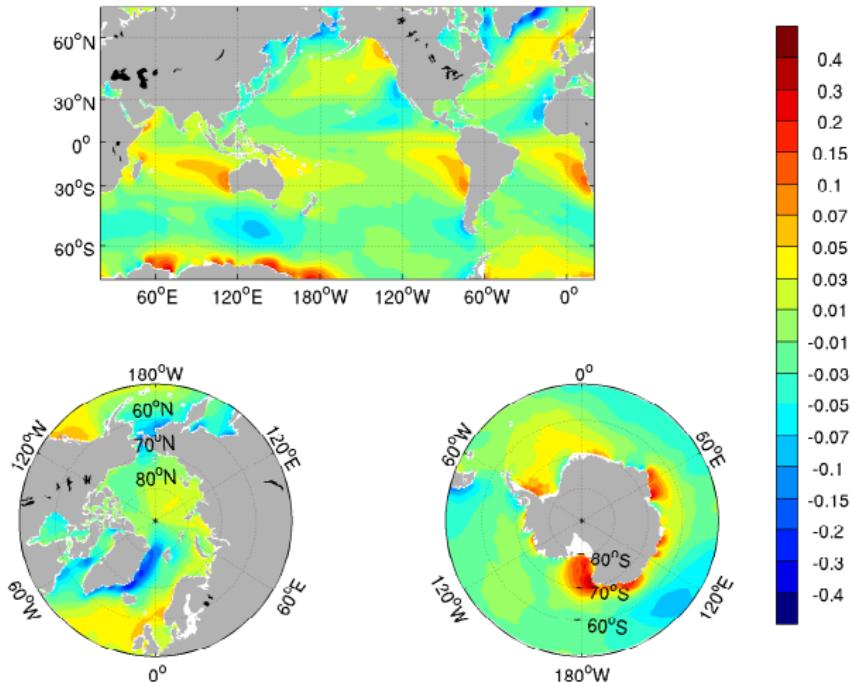


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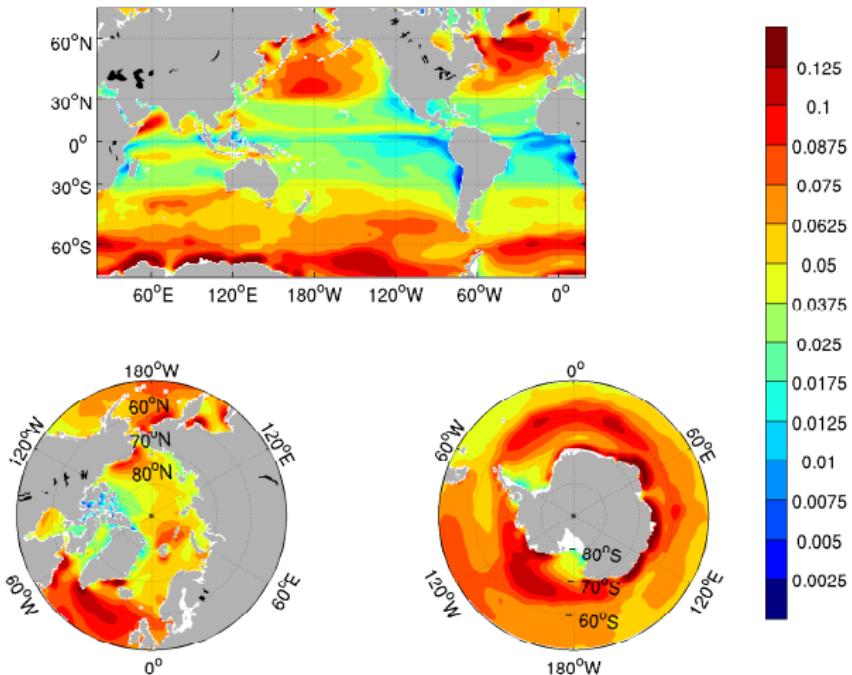


Figure : 1992-2011 standard deviation – tauZ ( $\text{W/m}^2$ )

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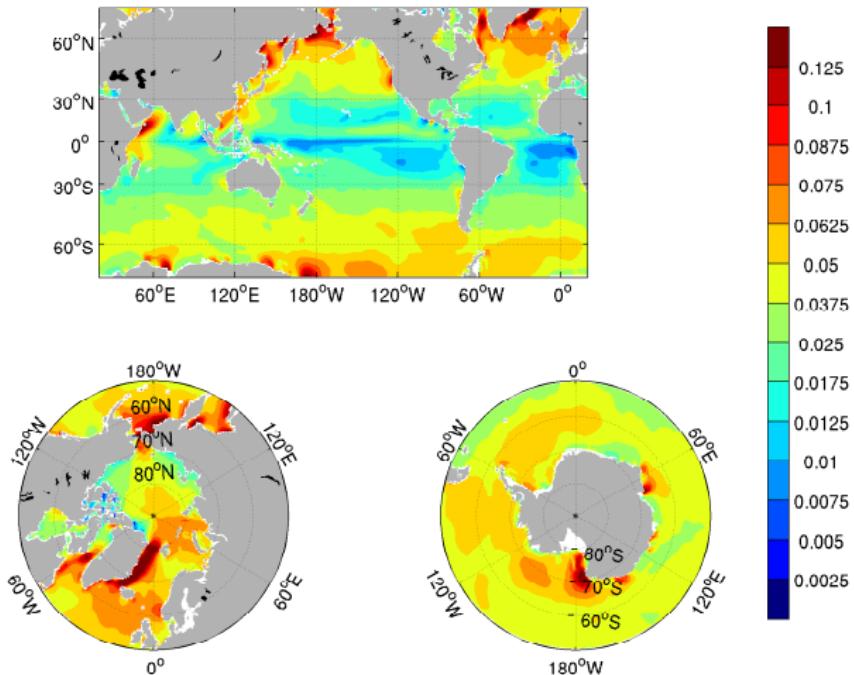


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# zonal mean tendencies

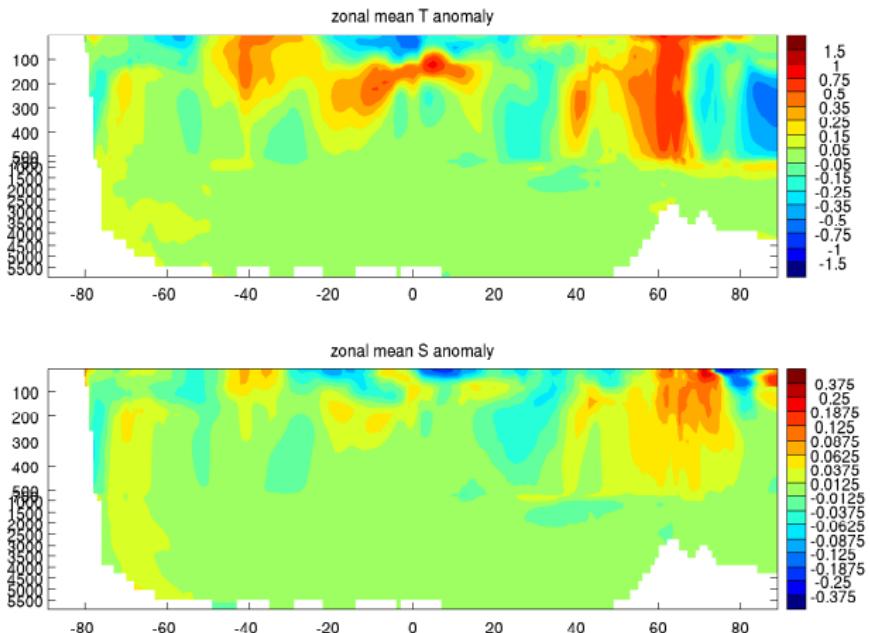


Figure : 1992-2011 , last year minus first year – zonal mean temperature (degC; top) and salinity (psu; bottom)

# equatorial sections

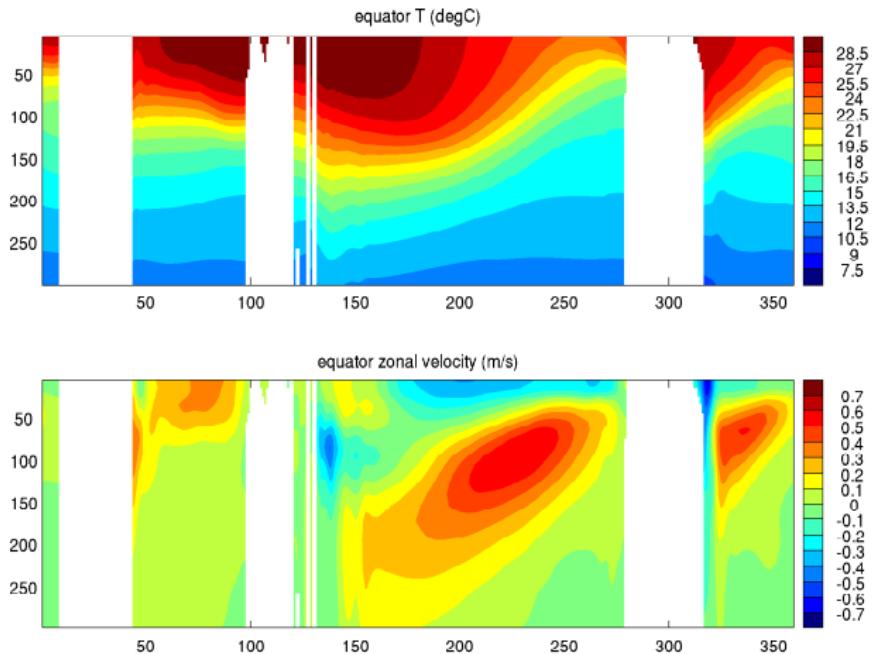


Figure : 1992-2011 mean – equator temperature (degC; top) and zonal velocity (m/s; bottom)

# global mean properties

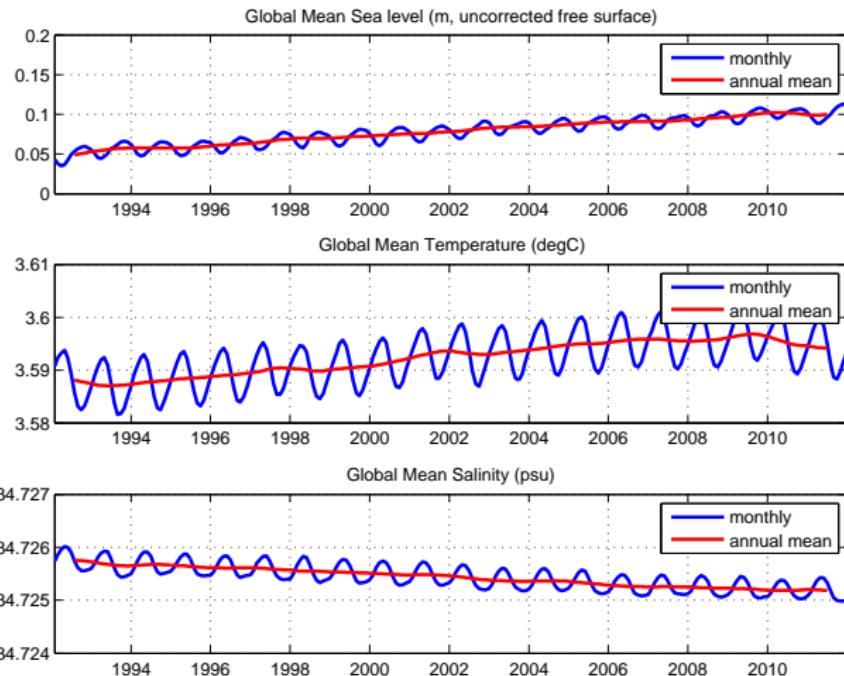


Figure : global mean T (degC; top) and S (psu; bottom)

# global mean properties

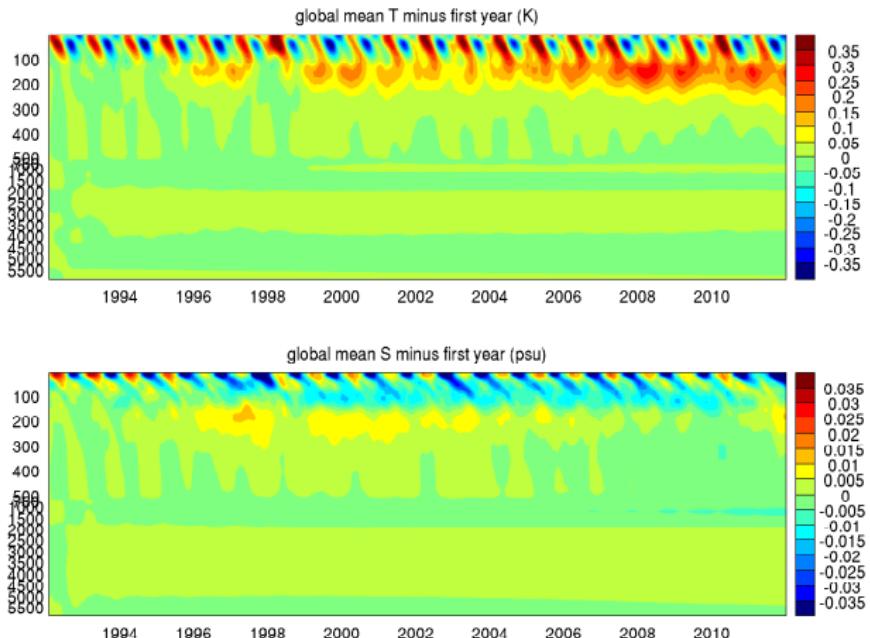


Figure : global mean temperature (K; top) and salinity (psu; bottom) minus first year

# zonal mean properties

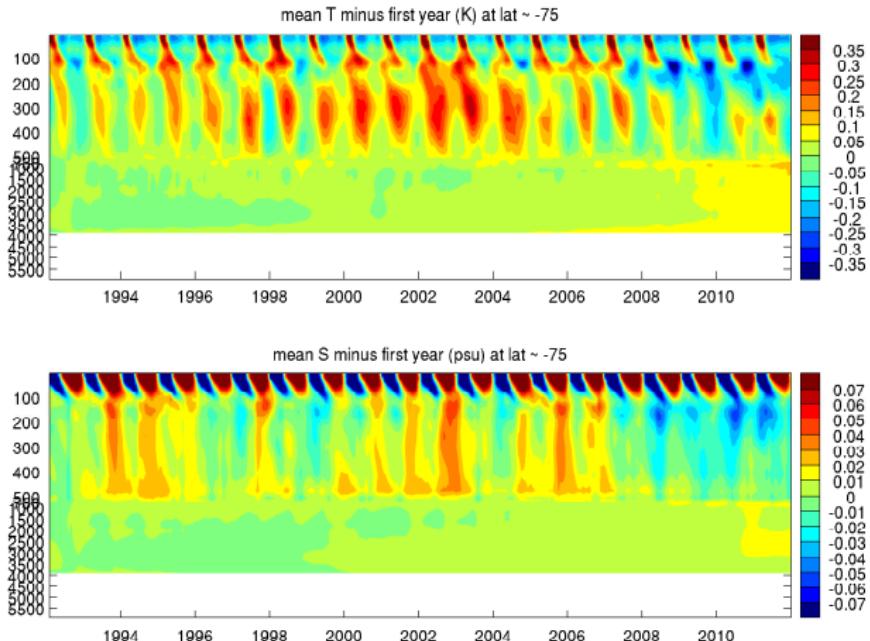


Figure : mean temperature (top; K) and salinity (bottom; psu) minus first year at lat  $\approx -75$

# zonal mean properties

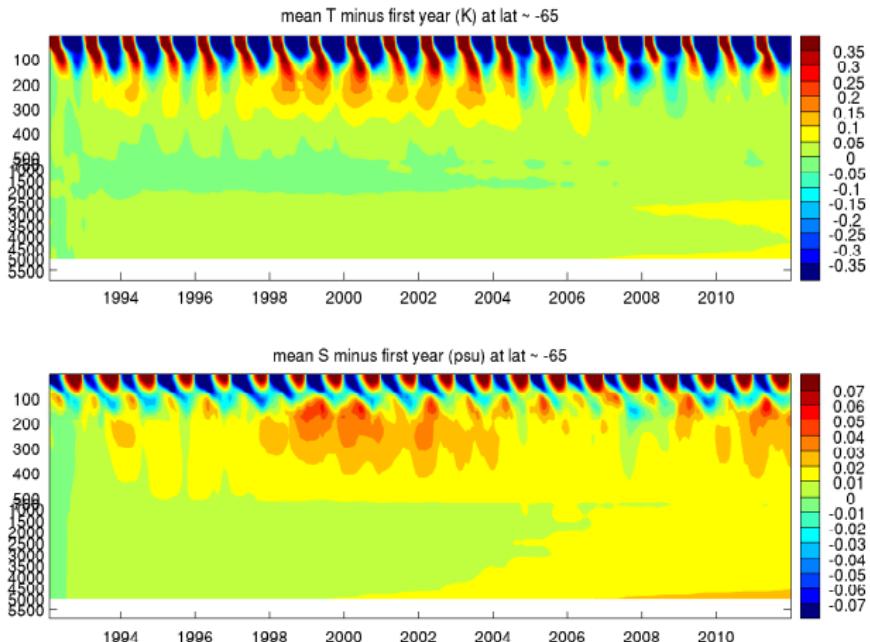


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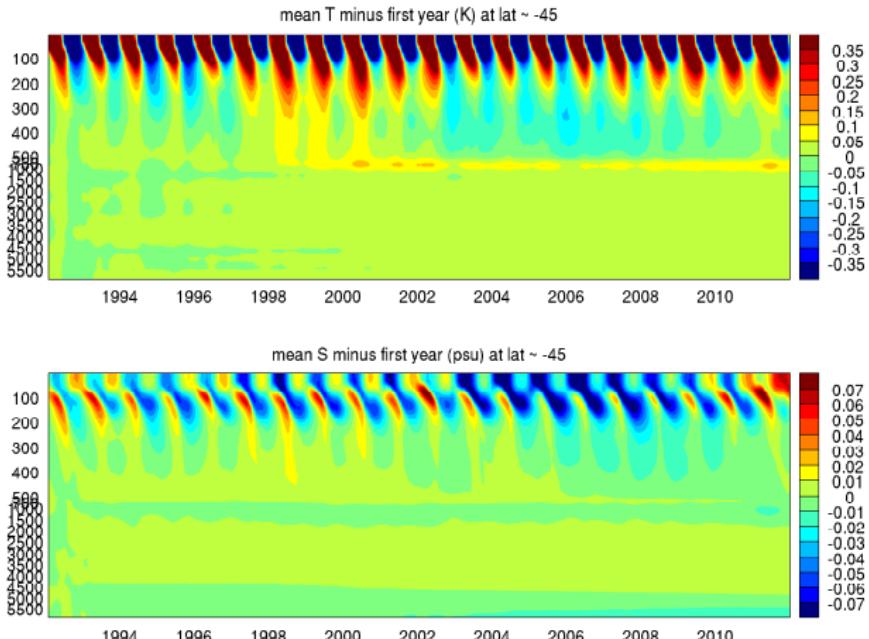


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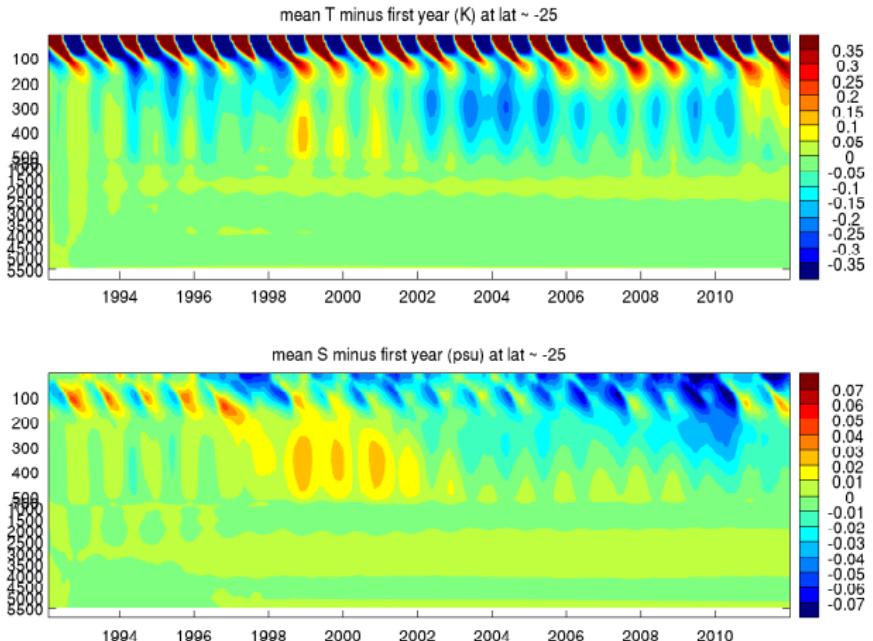


Figure : mean temperature (top; K) and salinity (bottom; psu) minus first year at lat  $\approx -25$

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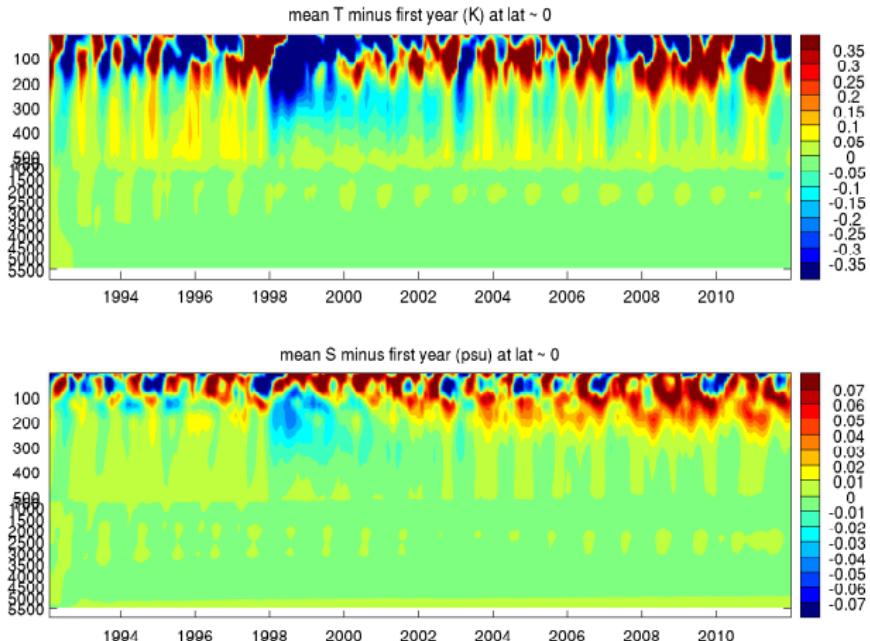


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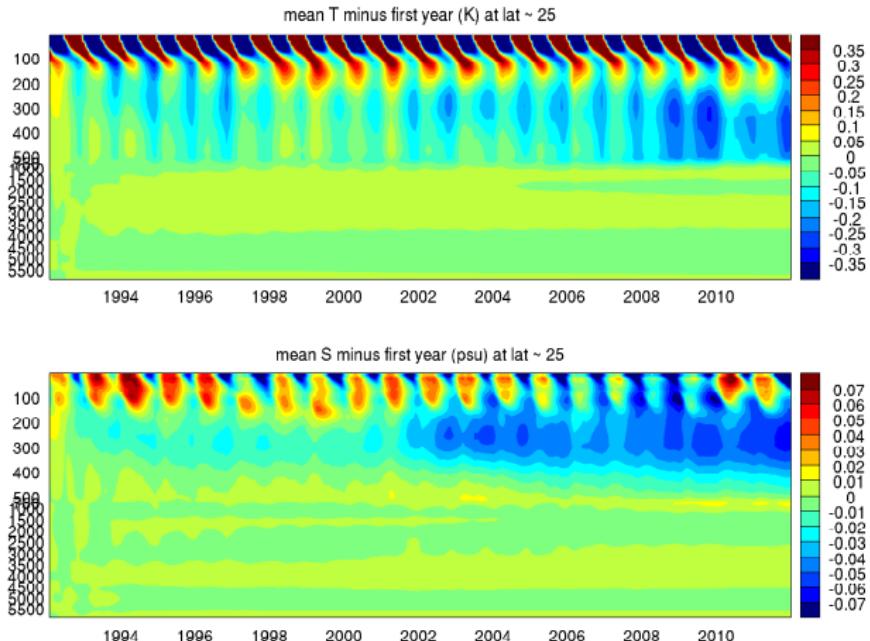


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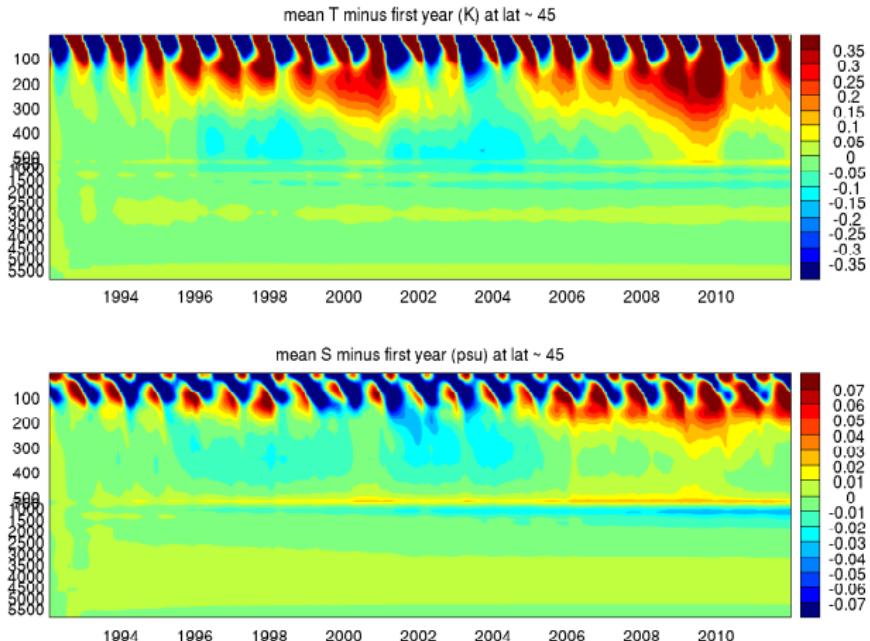


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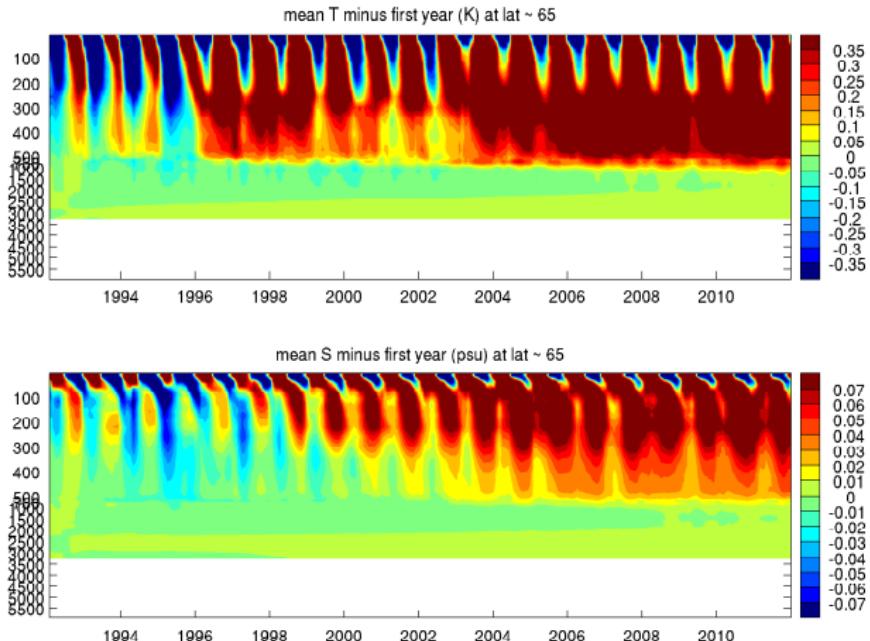


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# zonal mean properties

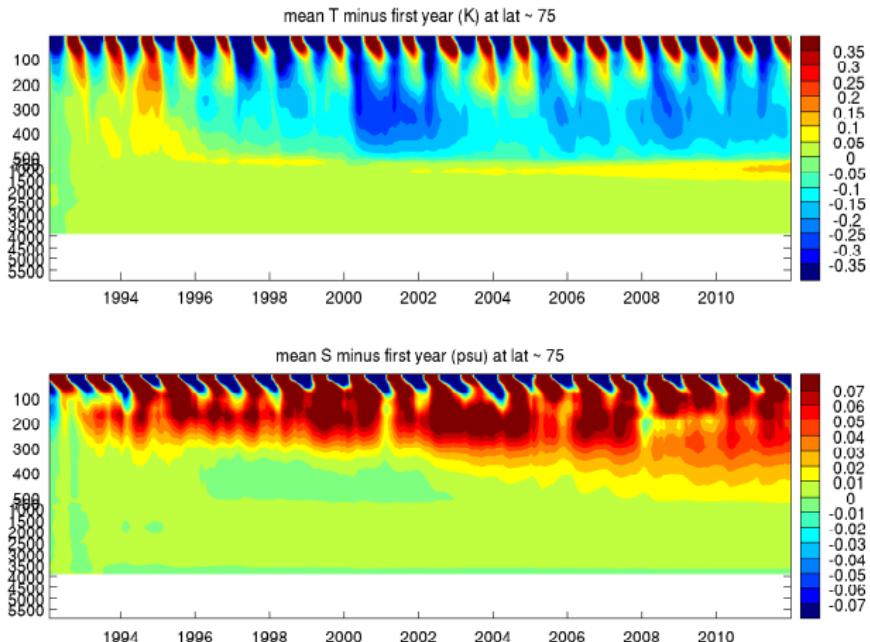


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## zonal mean properties (surface)

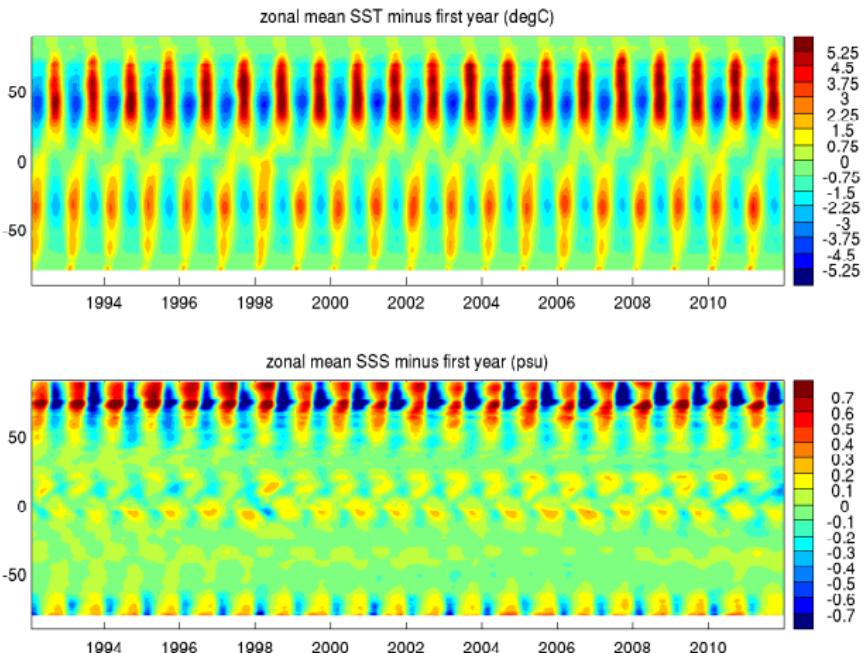


Figure : zonal mean temperature (degC; top) and salinity (psu; bottom) minus first year (psu) at 5m depth

# zonal mean properties (surface)

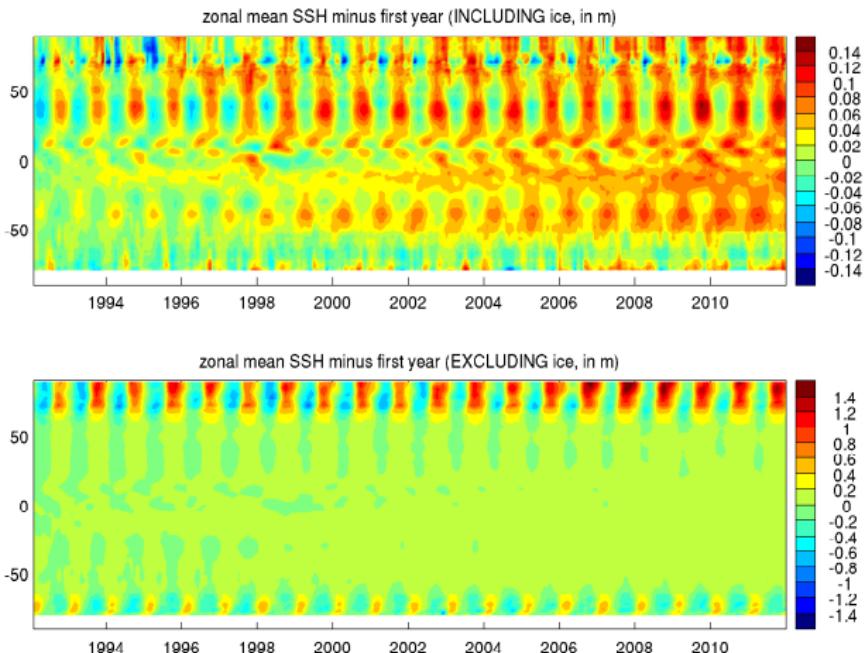


Figure : zonal mean SSH (m, uncorrected free surface) minus first year, including ice (top) and below ice (bottom)

## zonal mean properties (surface)

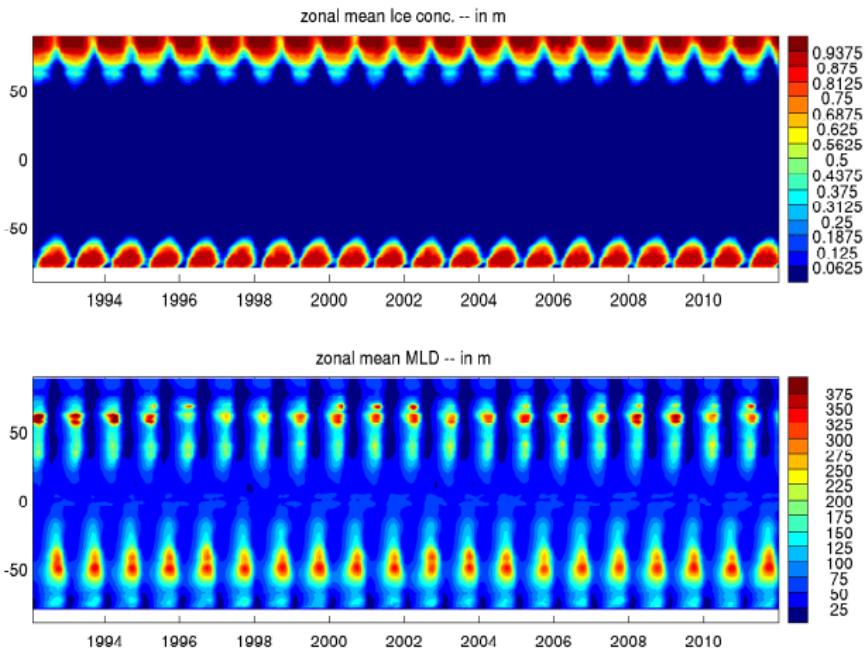


Figure : zonal mean ice concentration (no units) and mixed layer depth (m)

## seaice time series

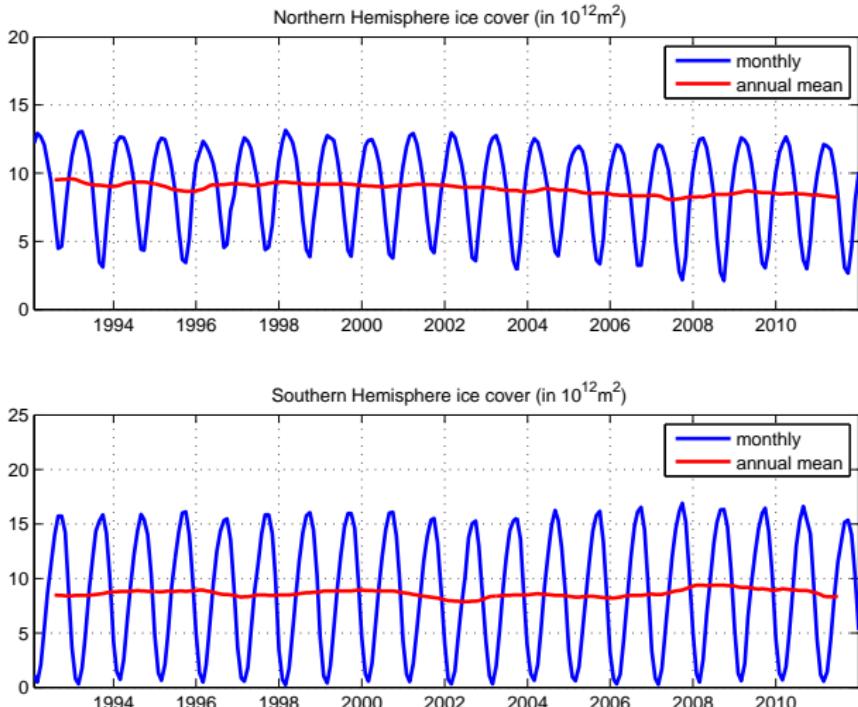


Figure : sea ice cover (in  $10^{12} \text{m}^2$ ) in northern (top) and southern (bottom) hemisphere

## seaice time series

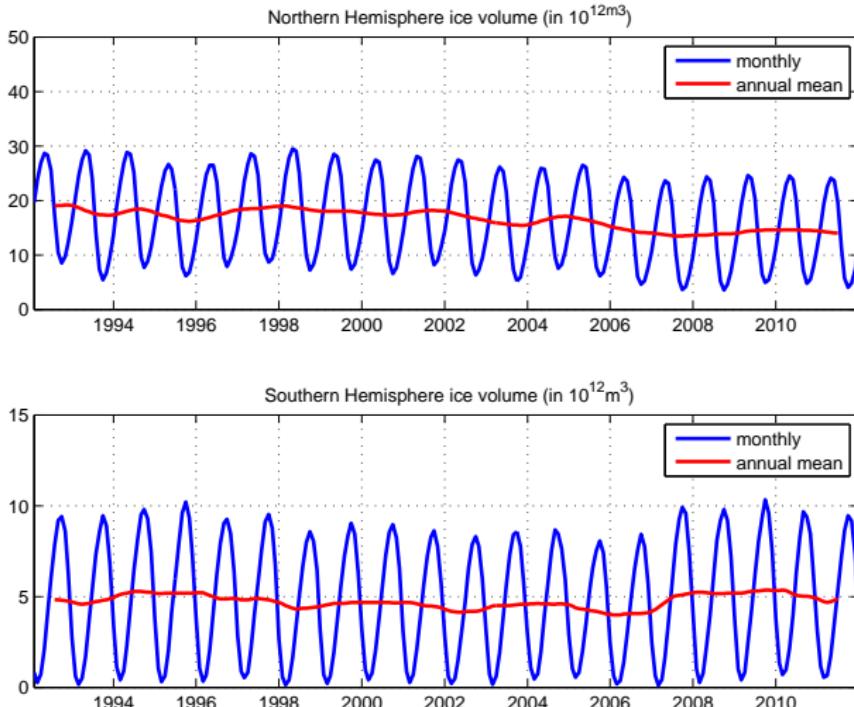


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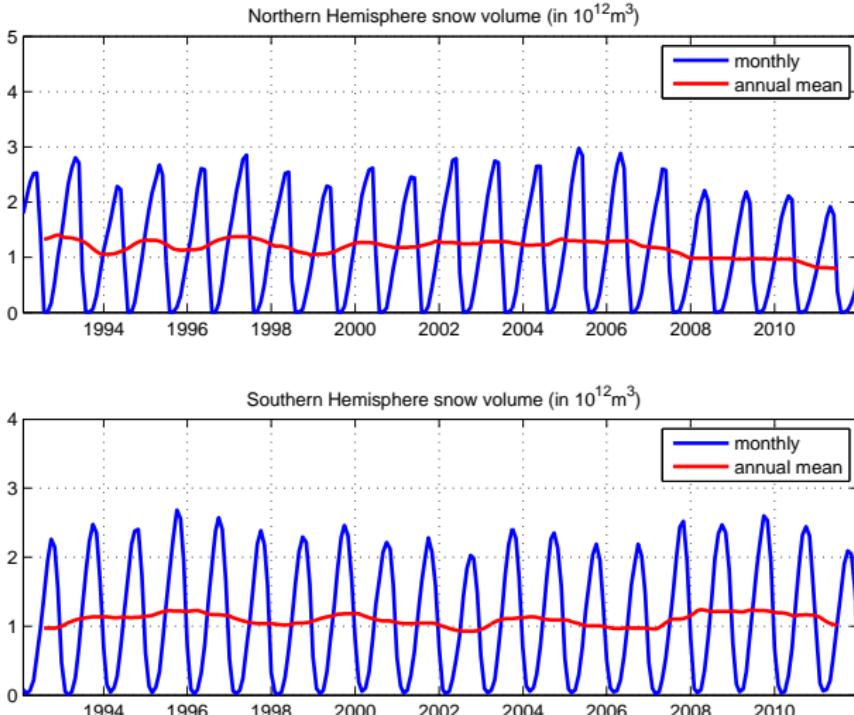


Figure : snow volume (in  $10^{12} m^3$ ) in northern (top) and southern (bottom) hemisphere

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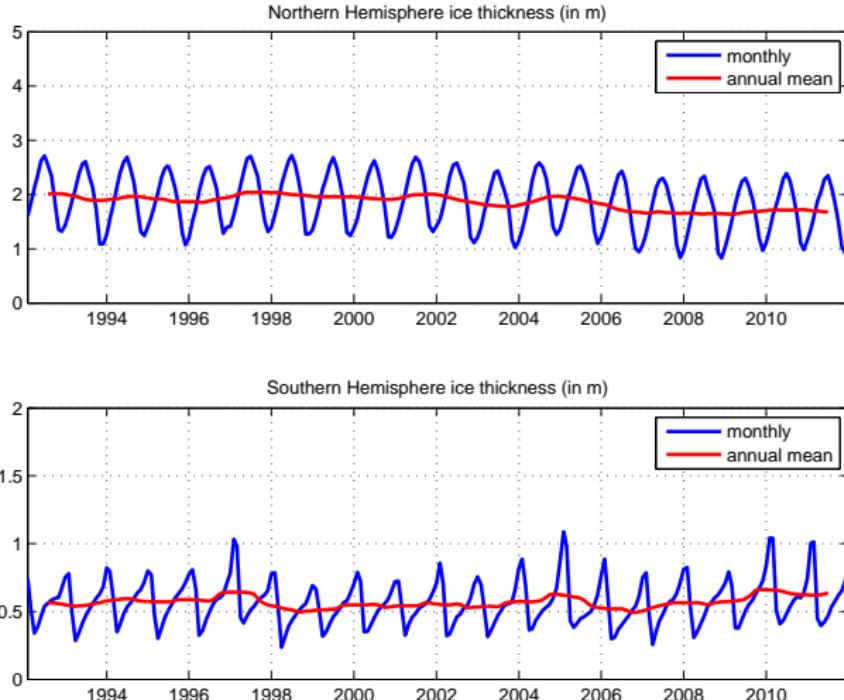


Figure : sea ice thickness (in m) in northern (top) and southern (bottom) hemisphere

# seaice time series

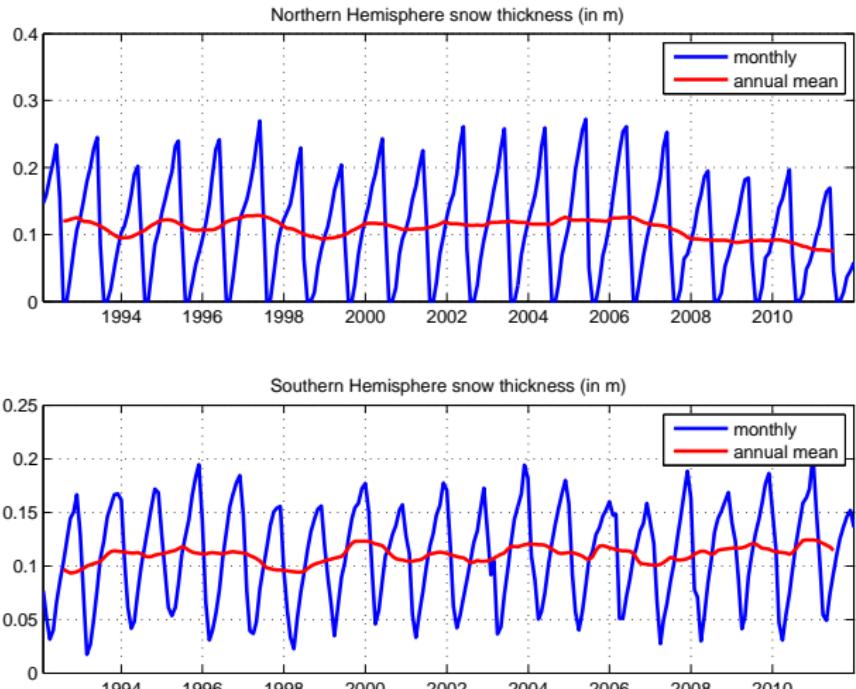


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# mixed layer depth fields

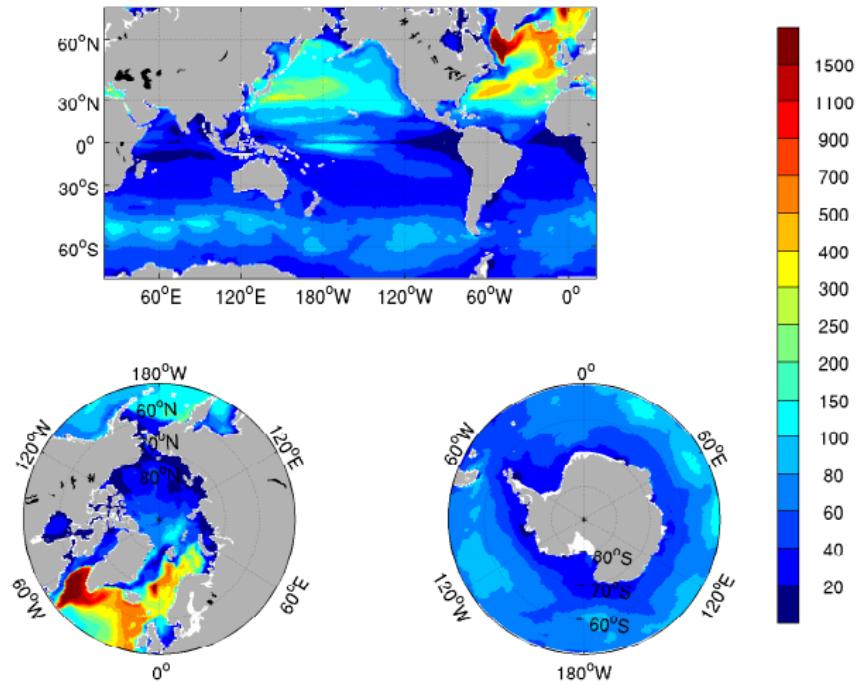


Figure : 1992-2011 March mean – mixed layer depth per Kara formula (m)

# mixed layer depth fields

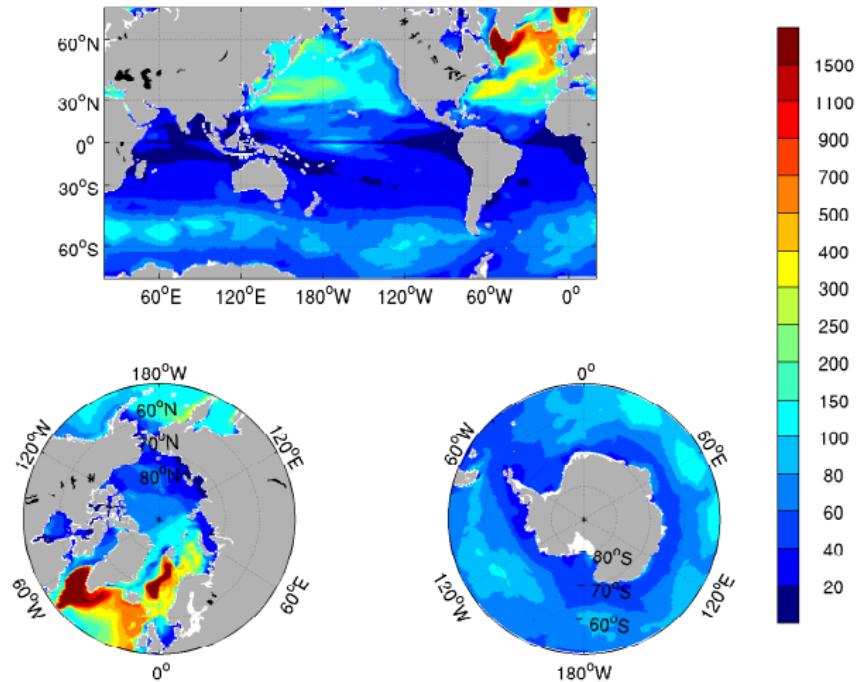


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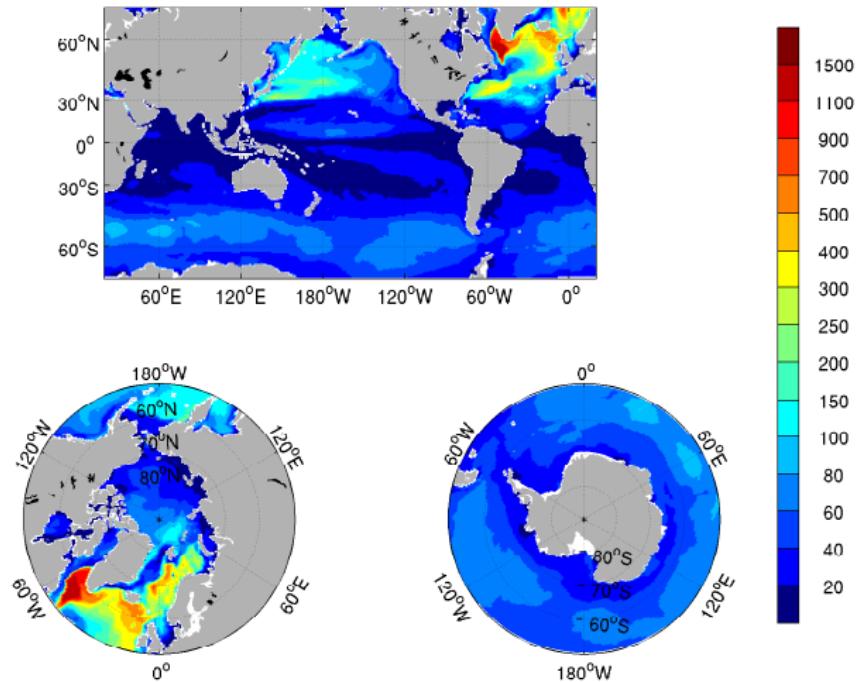


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# mixed layer depth fields

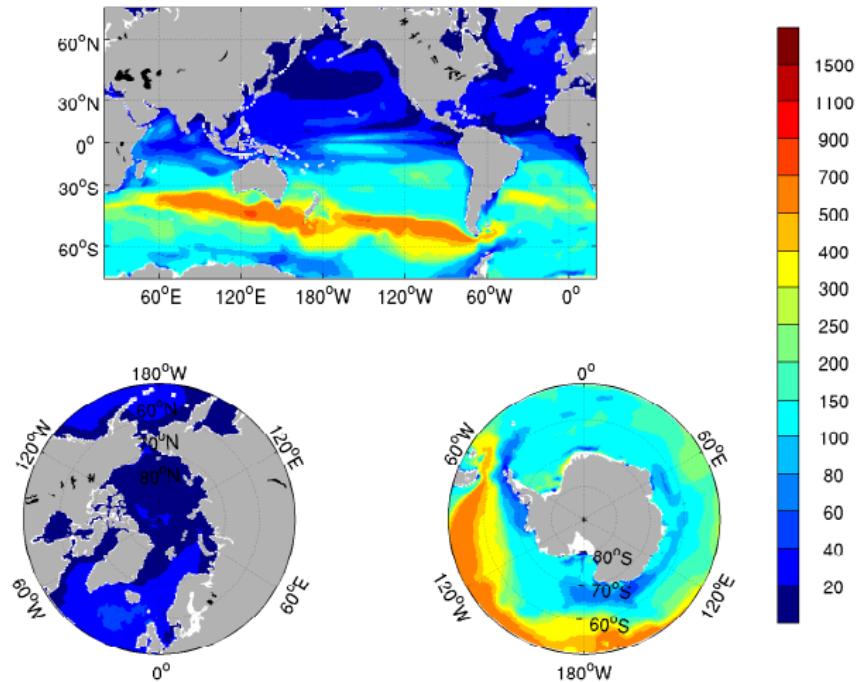


Figure : 1992-2011 September mean – mixed layer depth per Kara formula (m)

# mixed layer depth fields

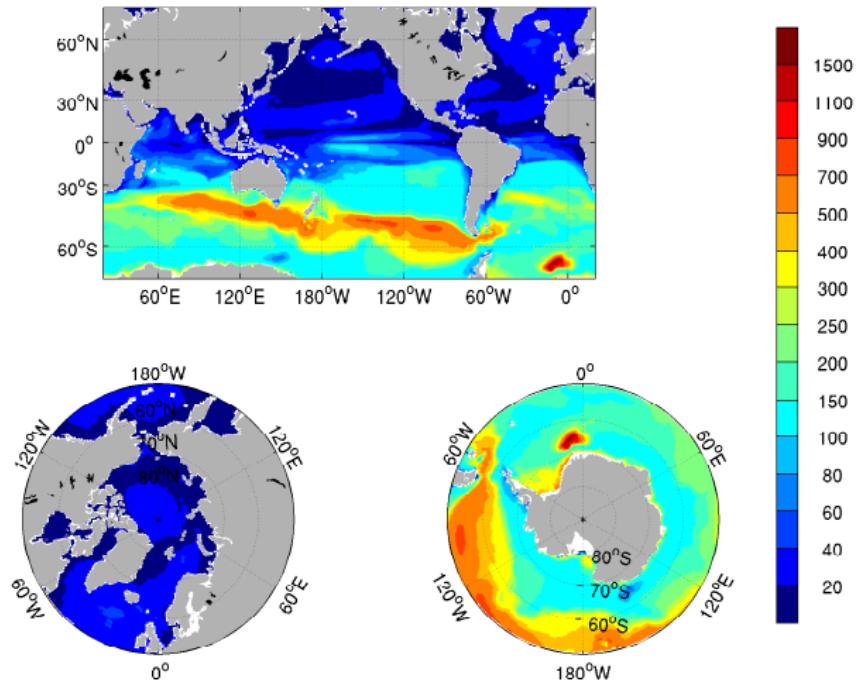


Figure : 1992-2011 September mean – mixed layer depth per Suga formula (m)

# mixed layer depth fields

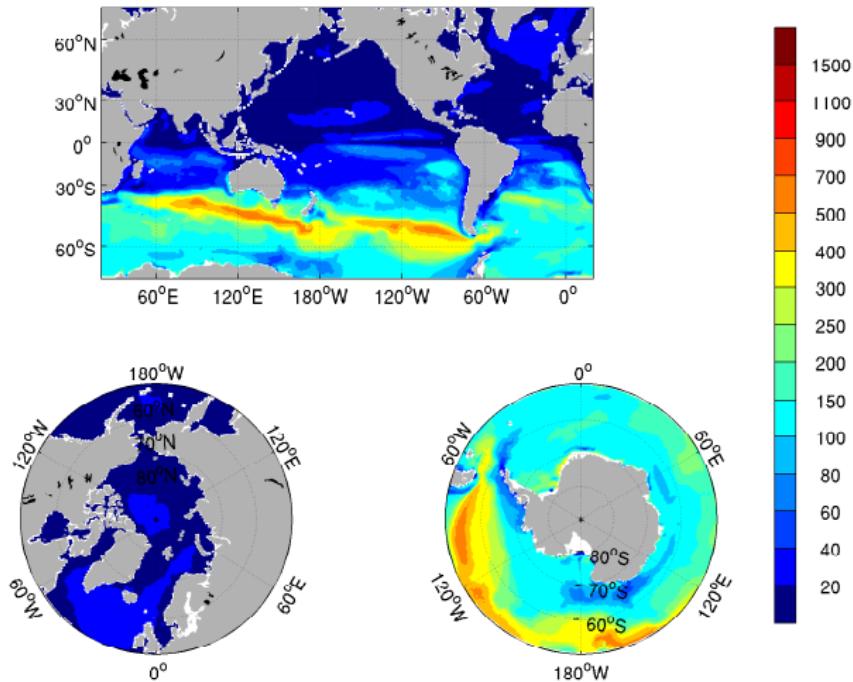


Figure : 1992-2011 September mean – mixed layer depth per Boyer M. formula (m)

# budgets : volume, heat and salt (top to bottom)

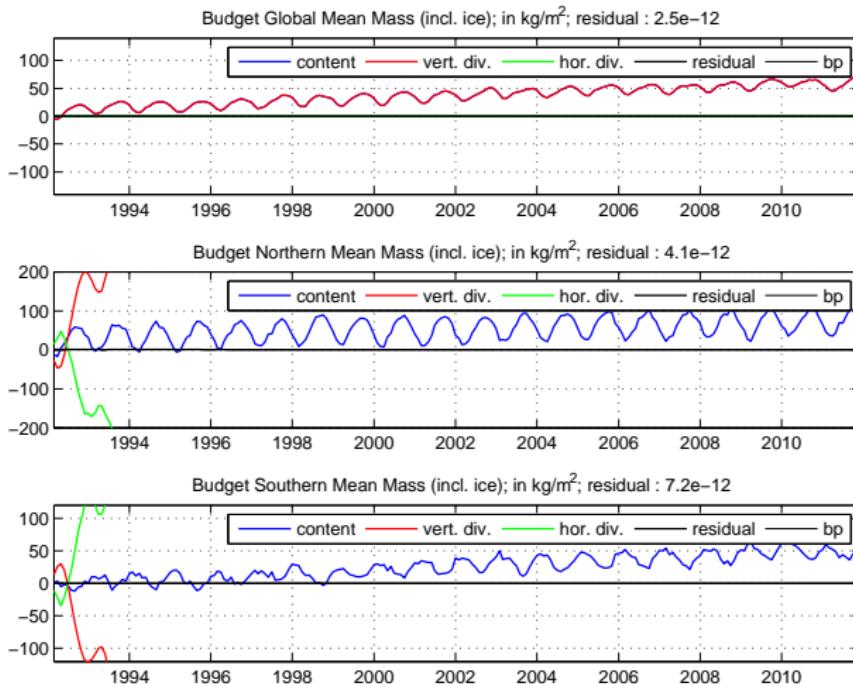


Figure : 1992-2011 global (upper) north (mid) and south (lower), mass budget (ocean+ice) in kg/m<sup>2</sup>.

# budgets : volume, heat and salt (top to bottom)

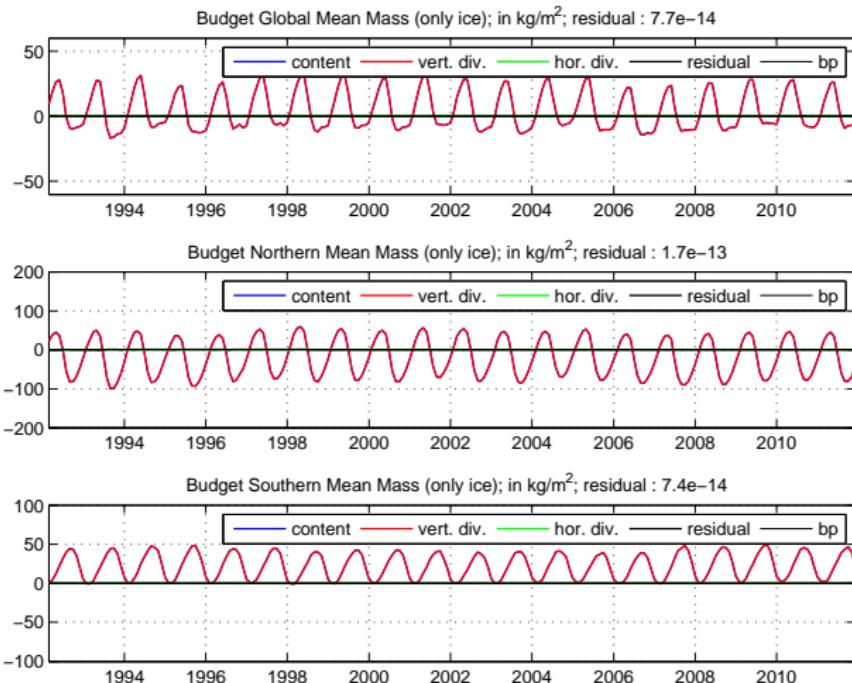


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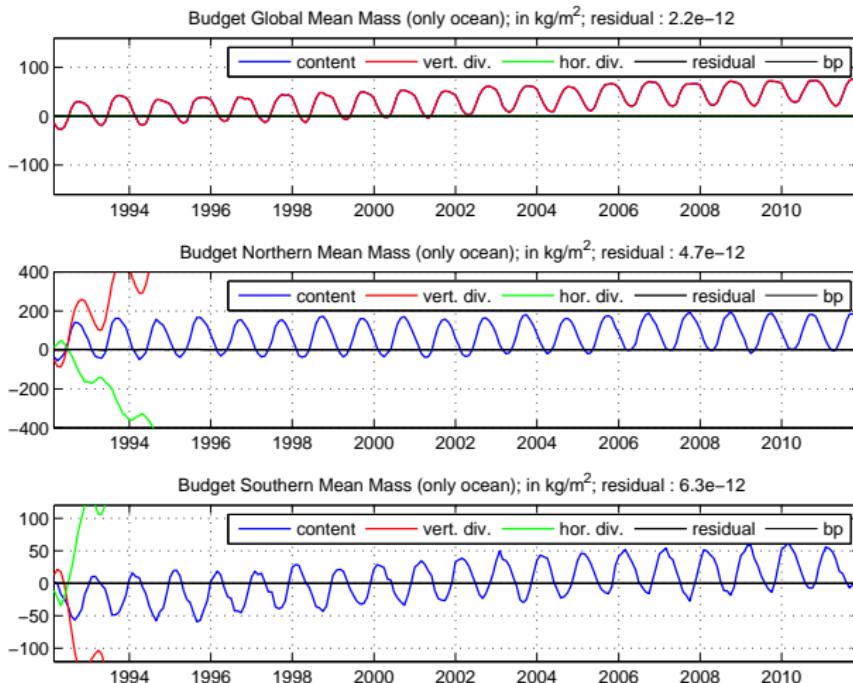


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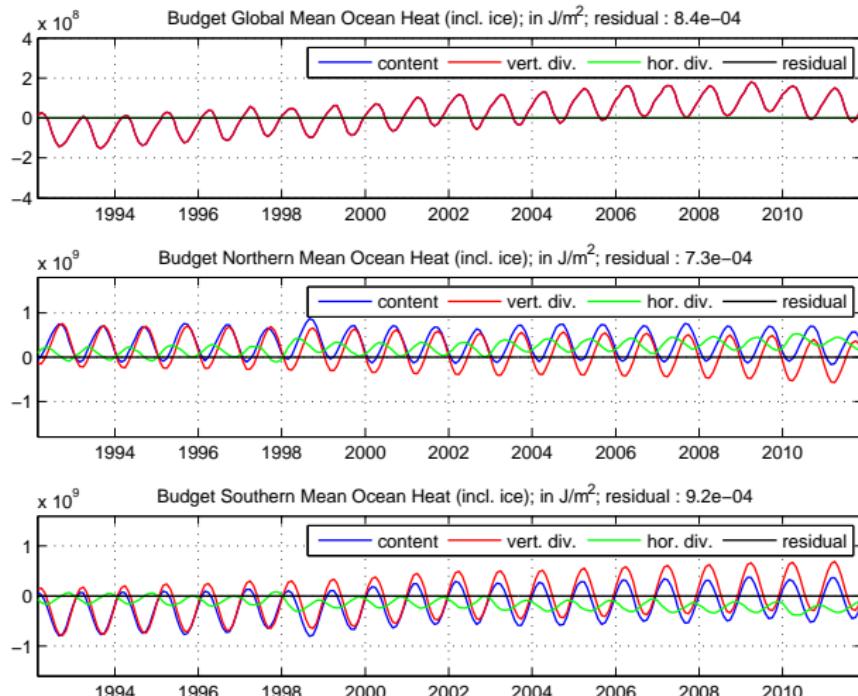


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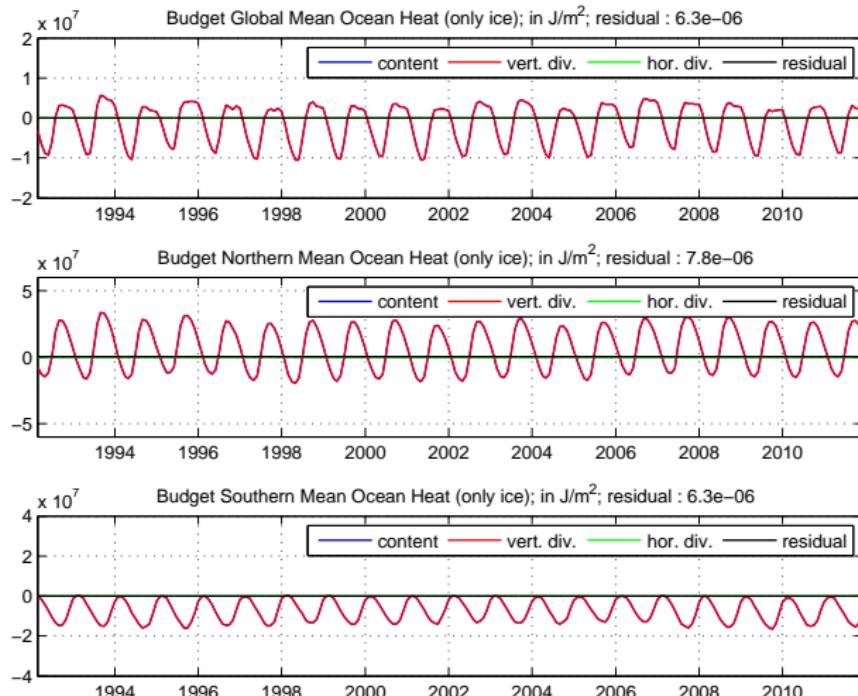


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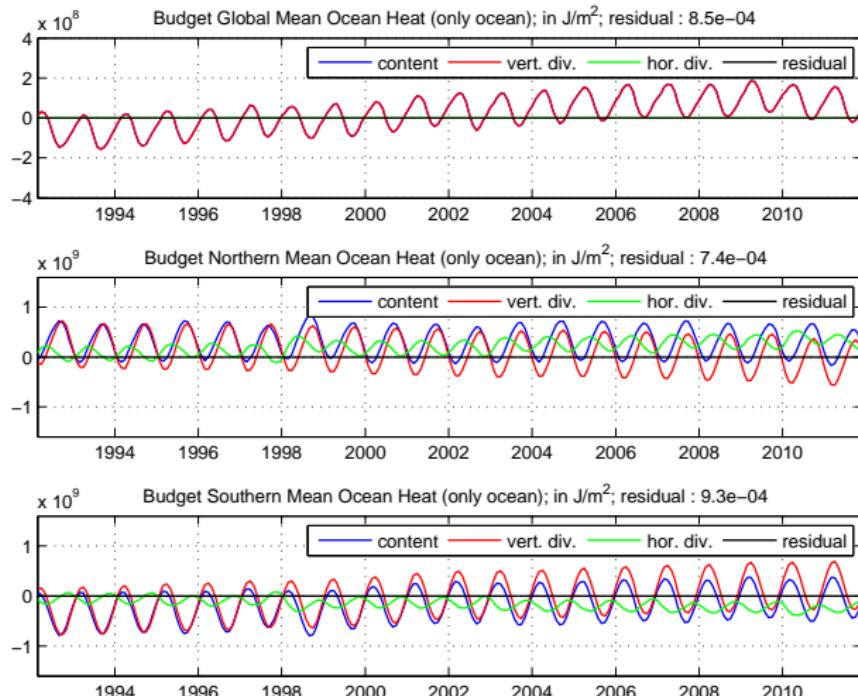


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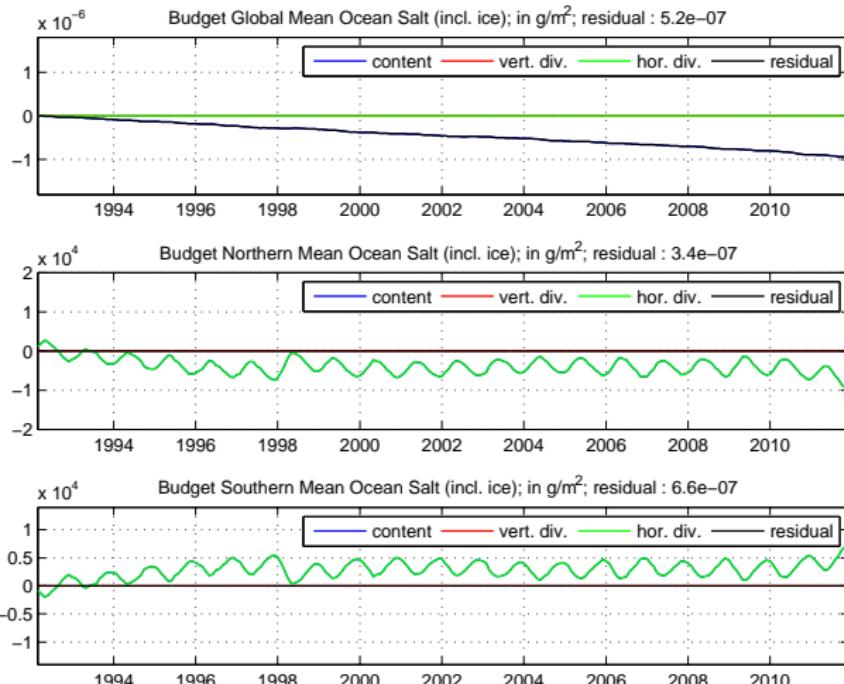


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# budgets : volume, heat and salt (top to bottom)

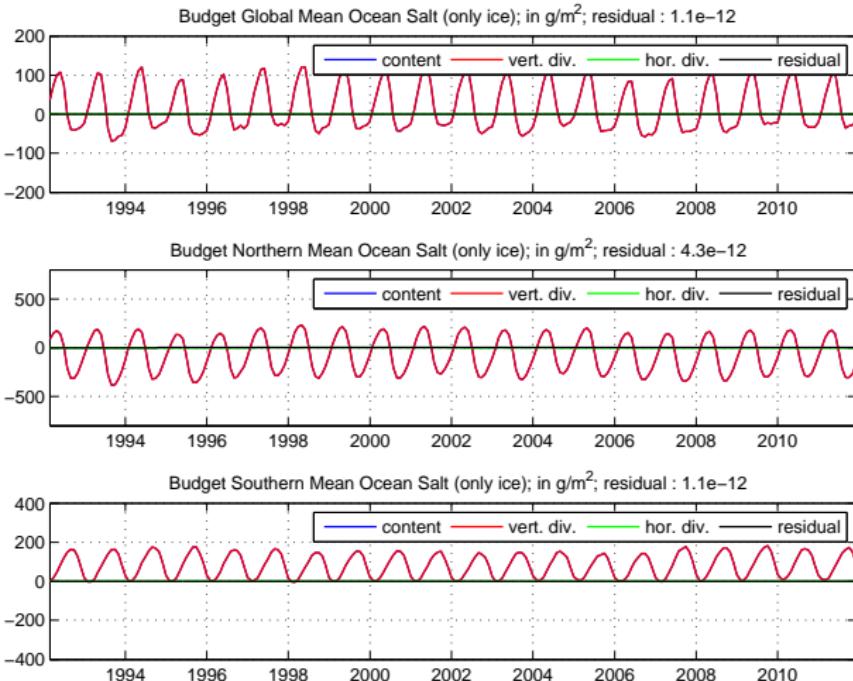


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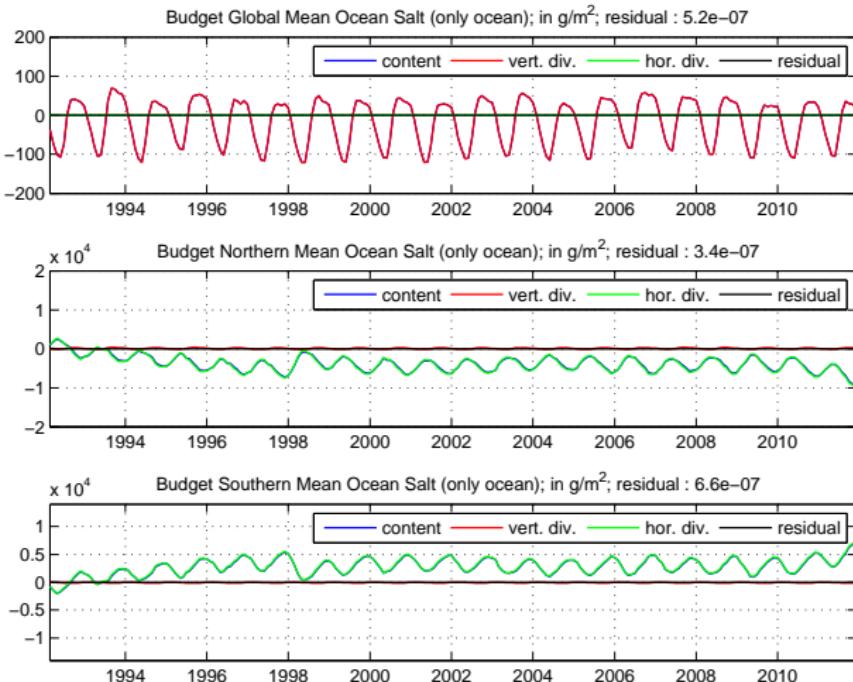


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## budgets : volume, heat and salt (100m to bottom)

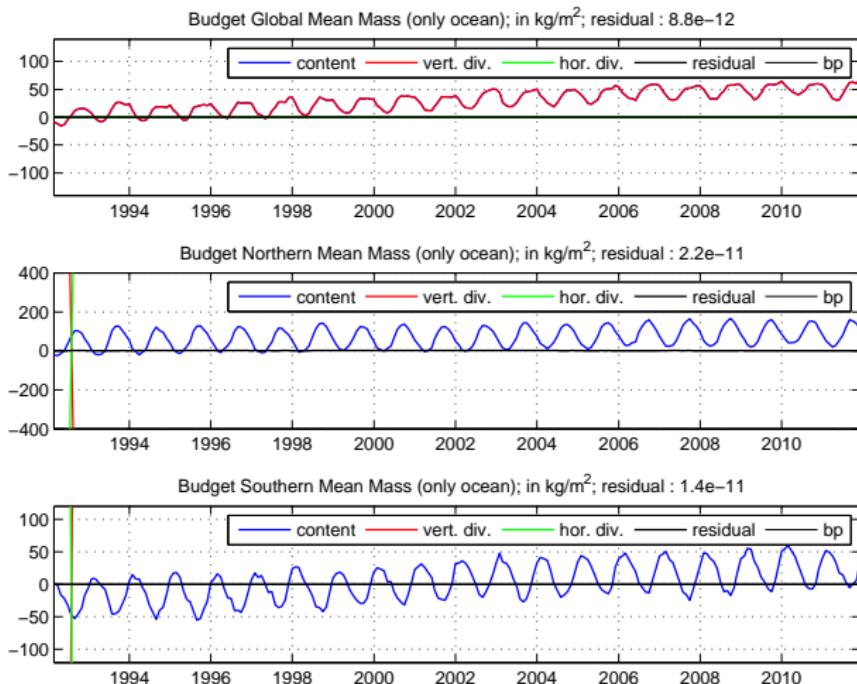


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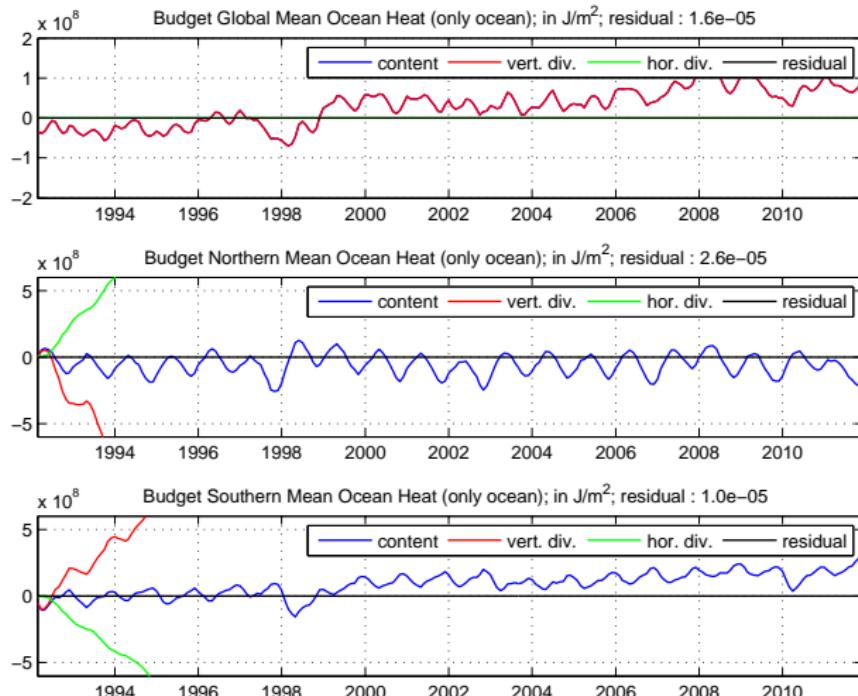


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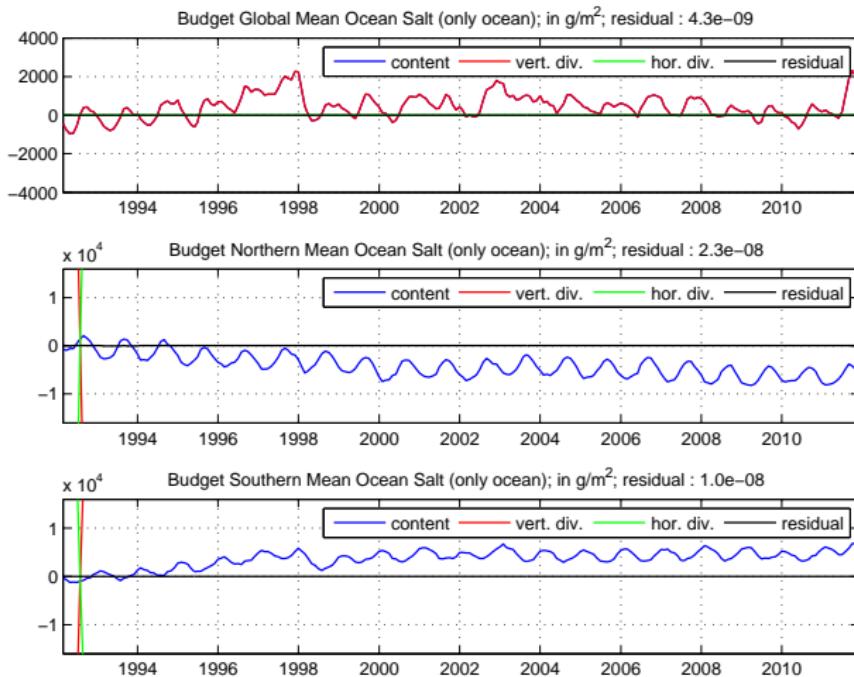


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