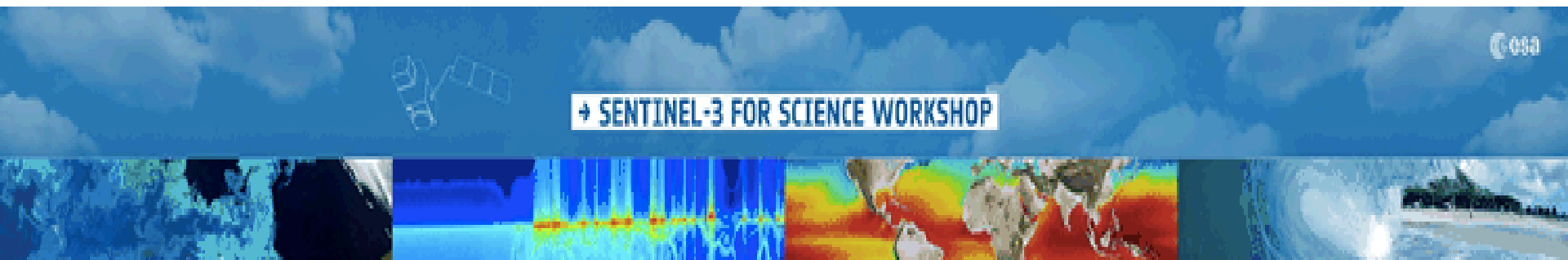




GlobCurrent: Sentinel-3 Synergy in Action

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GlobCurrent Overall Objective

Advance the quantitative estimation of ocean surface currents from satellite sensor synergy.

Demonstrate impact in user led scientific, operational and commercial applications.

Improve and strengthen the uptake of satellite measurements.



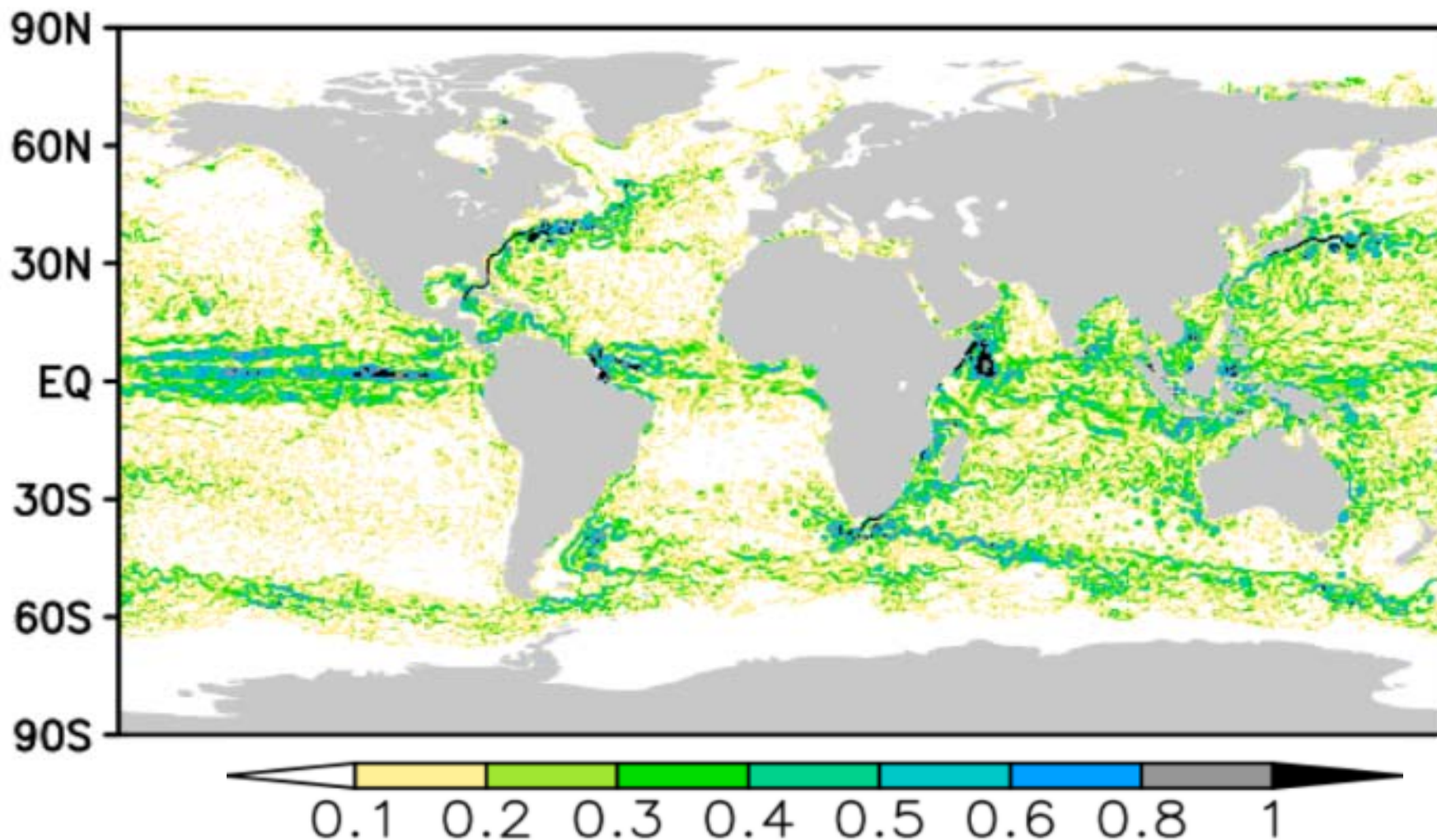
GlobCurrent Product (download from www.globcurrent.org)

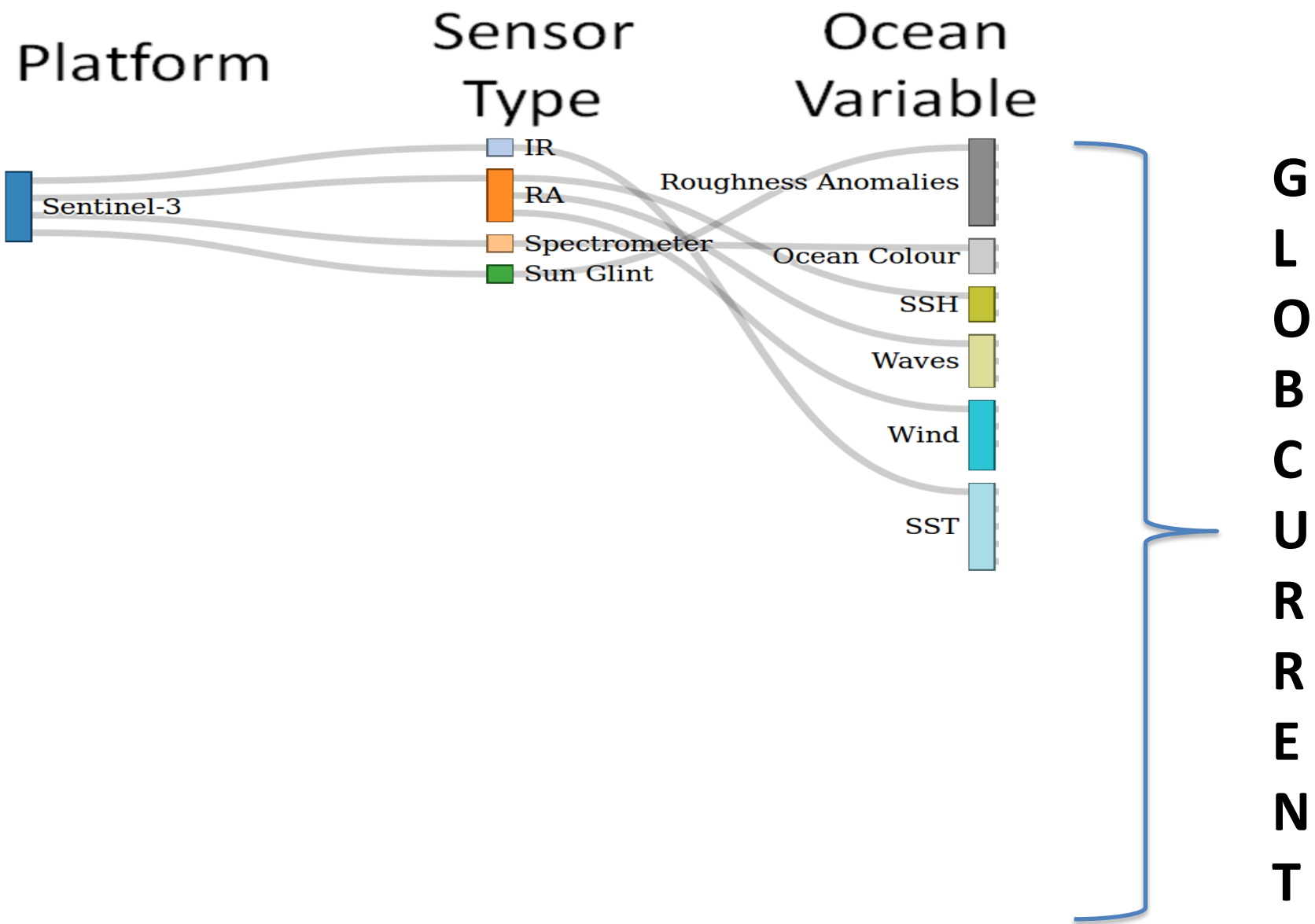
Global data interpolated to a 10 km grid at 3 hour intervals covering 3-years from 2010 to 2012 include:

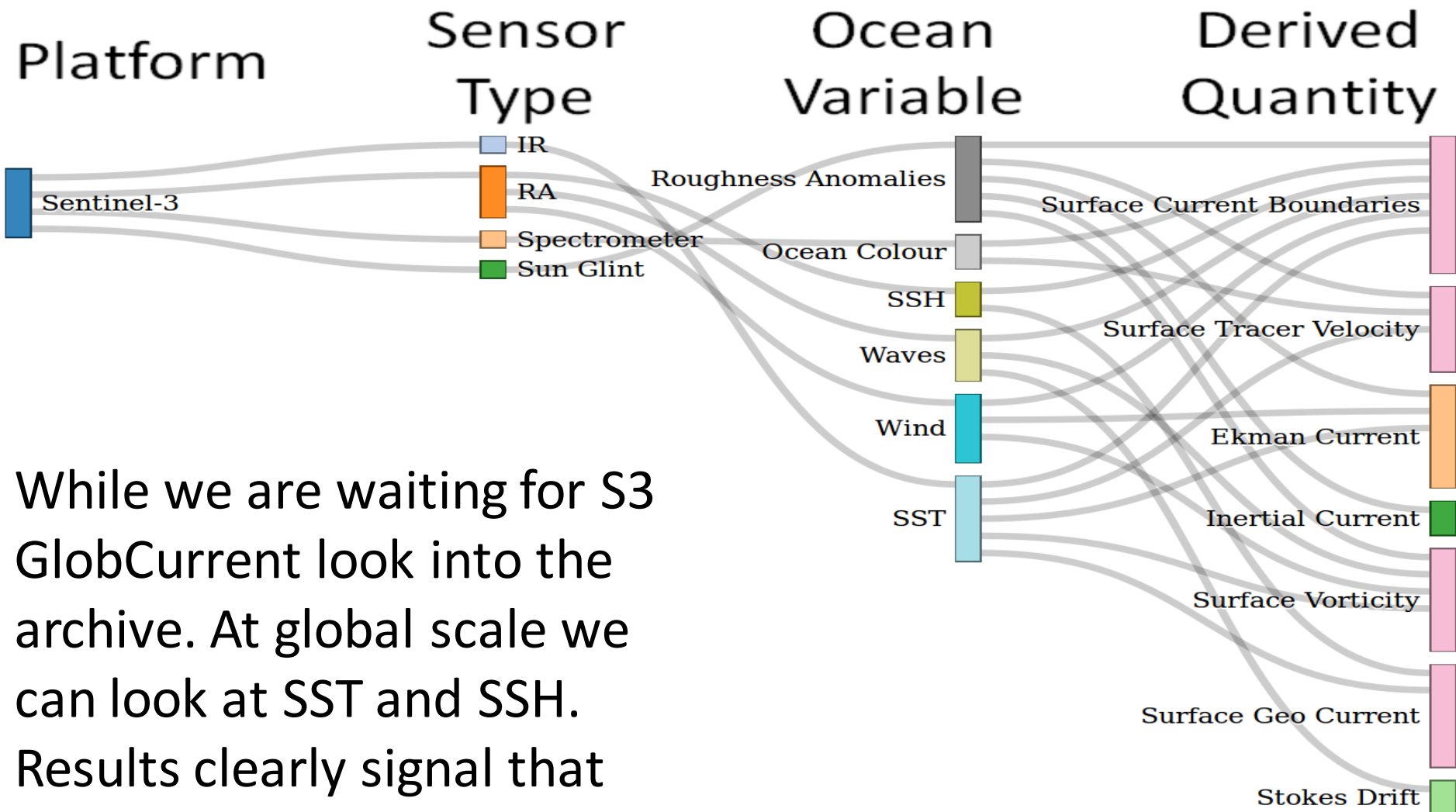
- Surface geostrophic current (Alt, GOCE, GRACE)
- Surface and 15 m Ekman current (Scatterometer, Argo, surface drifters)
- Stokes drift (Wave model)



Global Surface Geostrophic Current Product

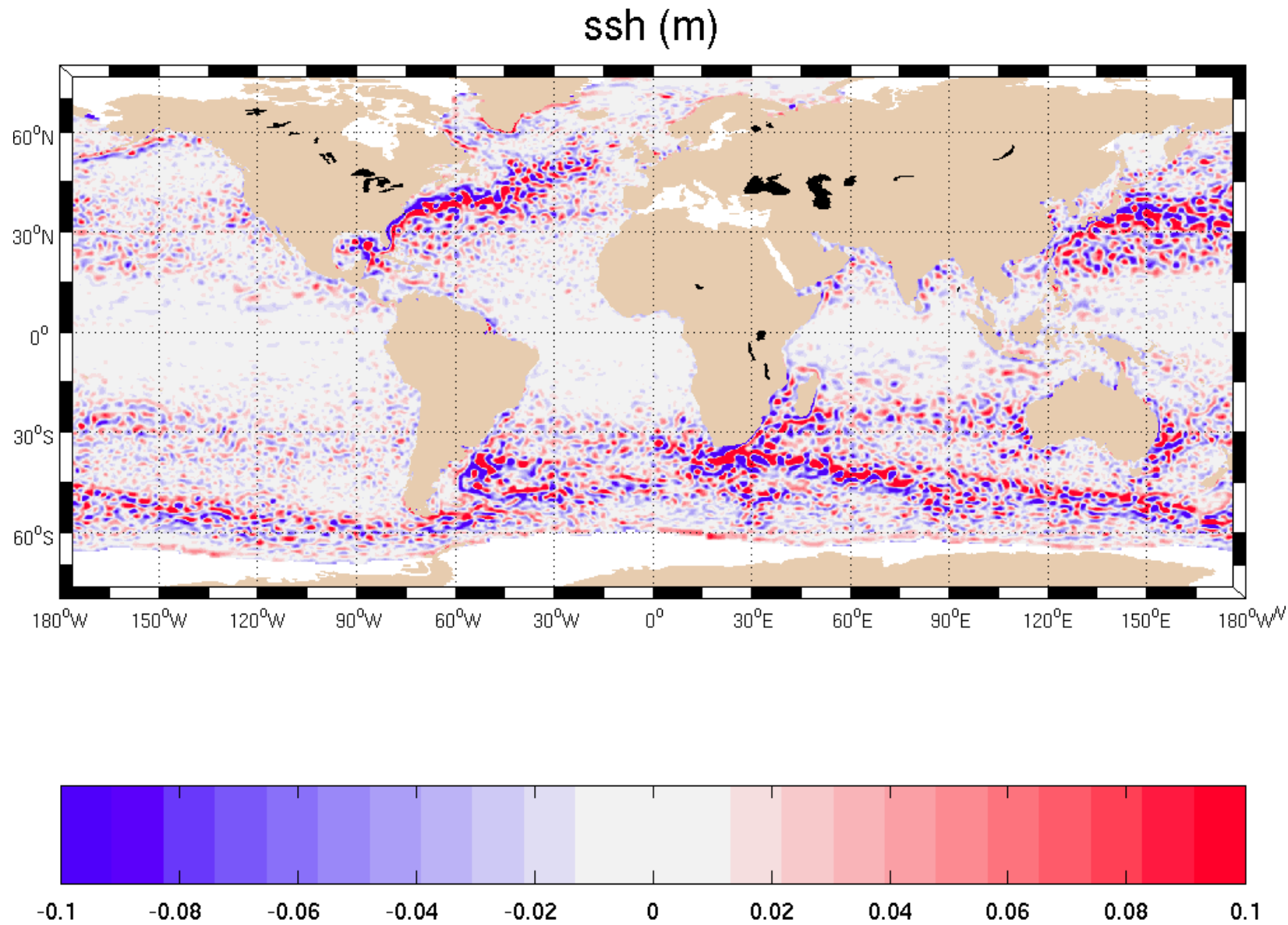






While we are waiting for S3 GlobCurrent look into the archive. At global scale we can look at SST and SSH. Results clearly signal that Our Expectation is HIGH.

Example SST and SSH gradients DISPLAY CURRENT FRONTS (global scale)



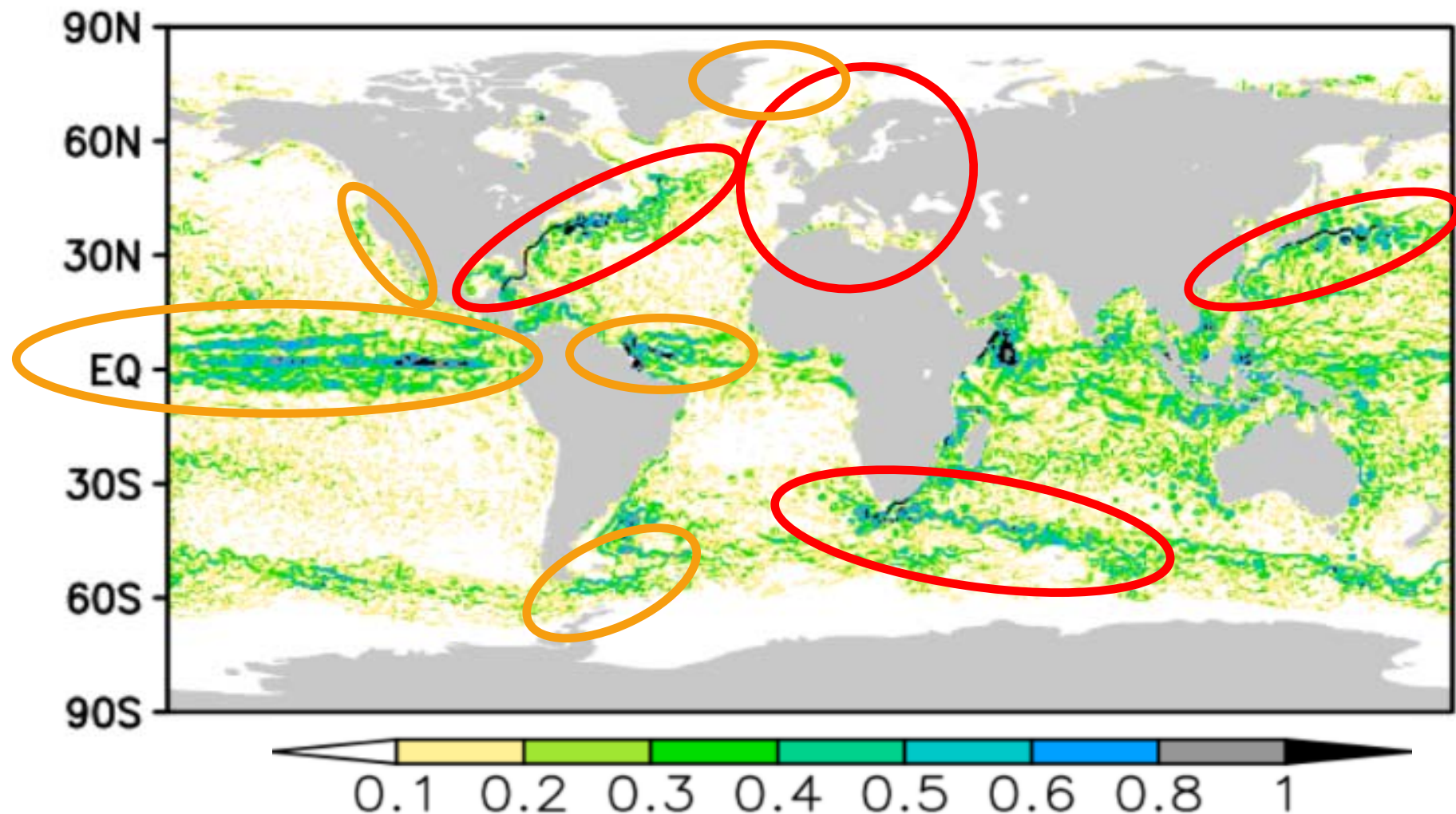


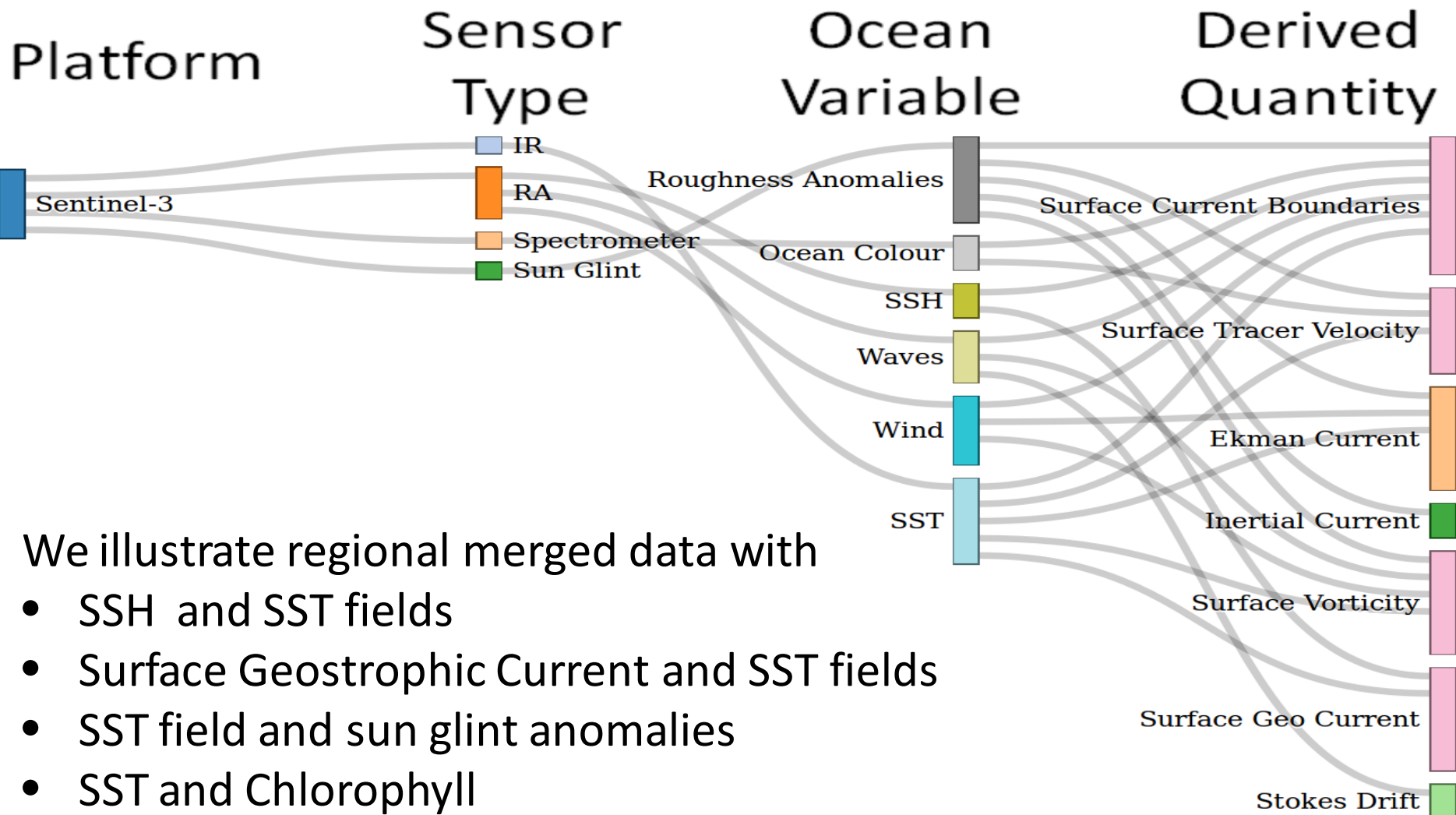
GlobCurrent Product (at www.globcurrent.org)

The global product will soon be blended with higher resolution regional data including

- Sea surface frontal features and their motion (SST, OC, ALT, SAR)
- Range Doppler velocities (SAR)
- Sun glint
- Other higher level (2-4) products

Candidate Regional Data Merging Sites - SUPERSITES

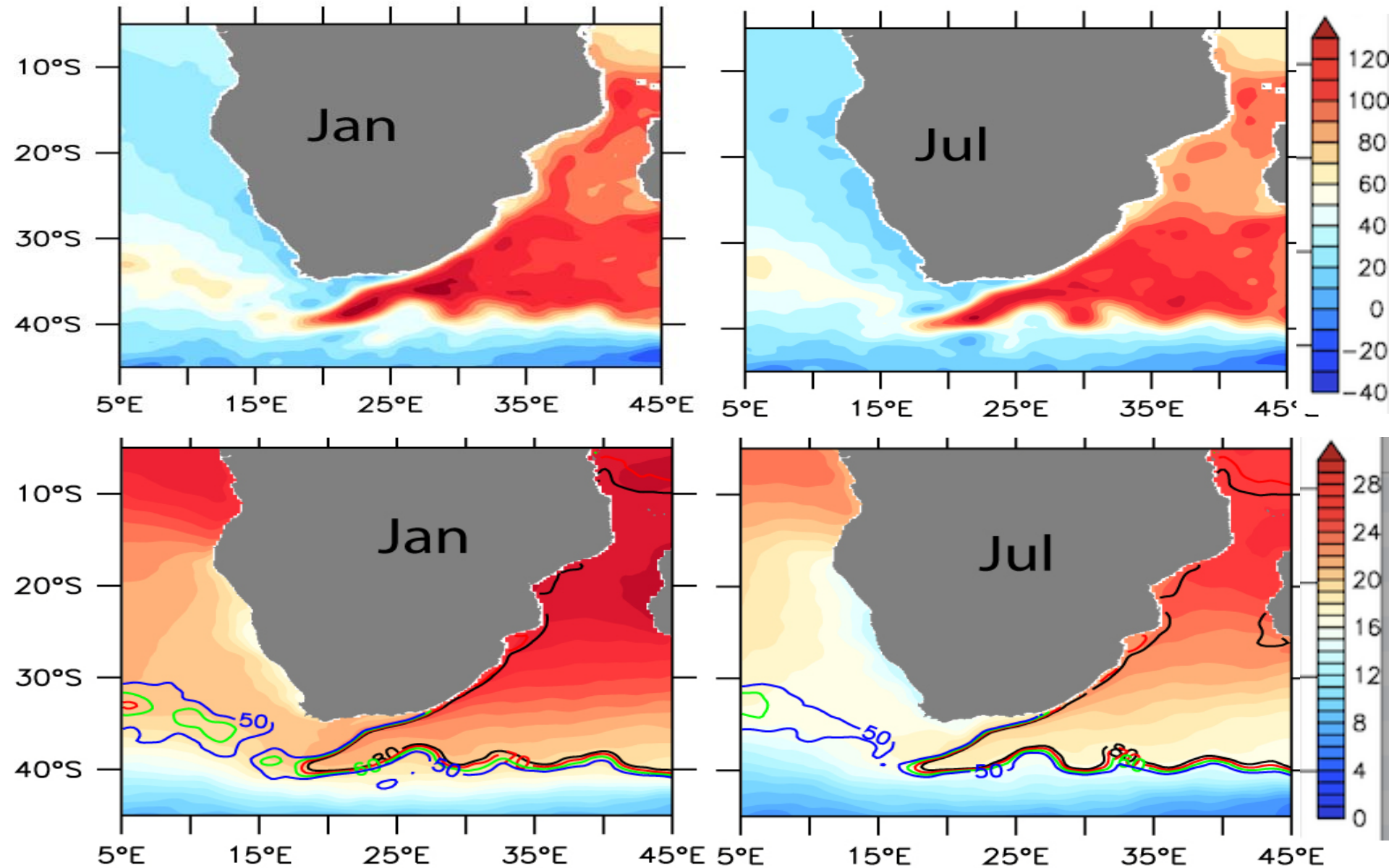




We illustrate regional merged data with

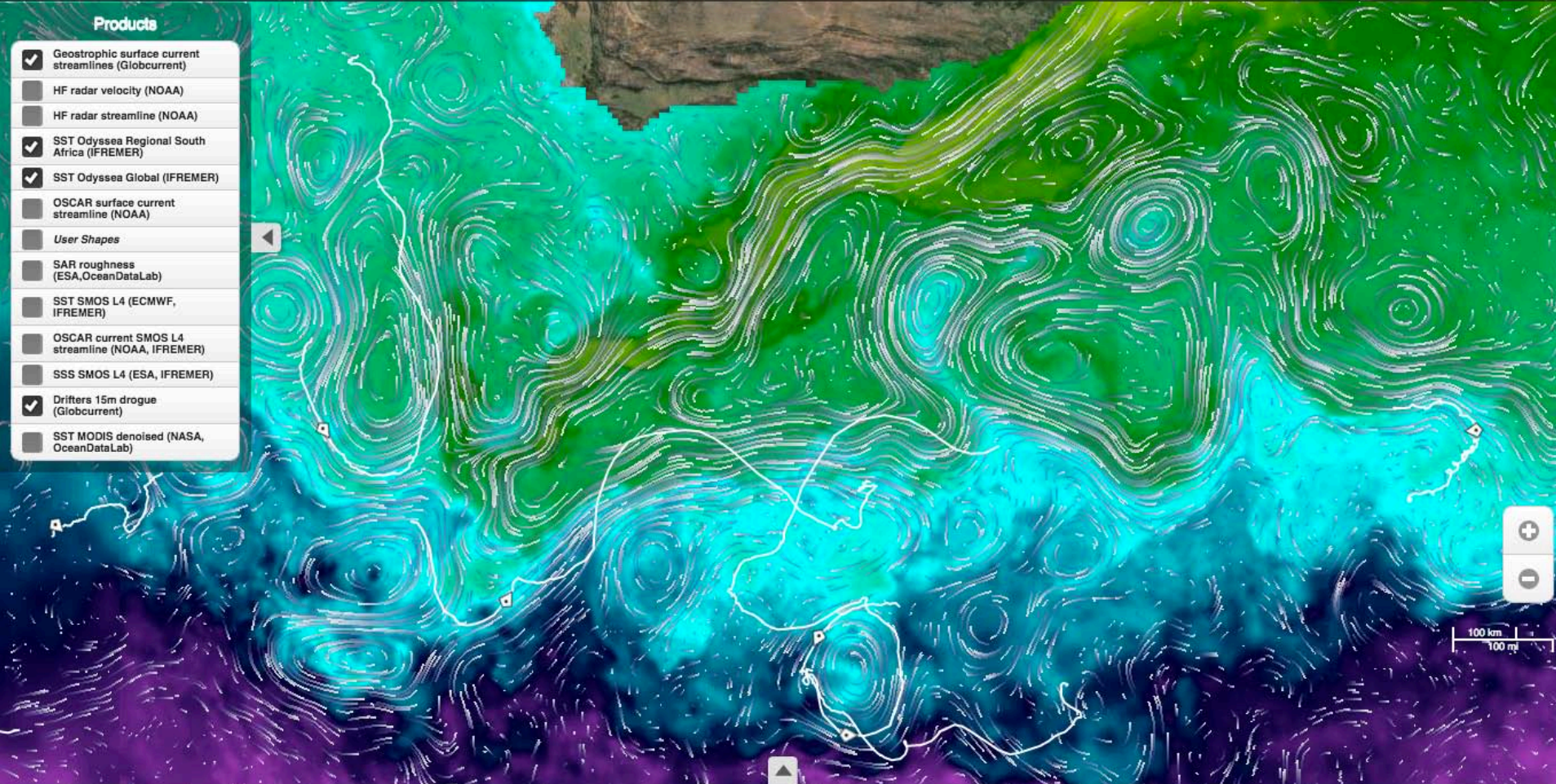
- SSH and SST fields
- Surface Geostrophic Current and SST fields
- SST field and sun glint anomalies
- SST and Chlorophyll
- Lagrangian forward/backward advection from combined SST and altimetry

CLIMATOLOGY OF SSH AND SST (regional scale, 1993-2012)



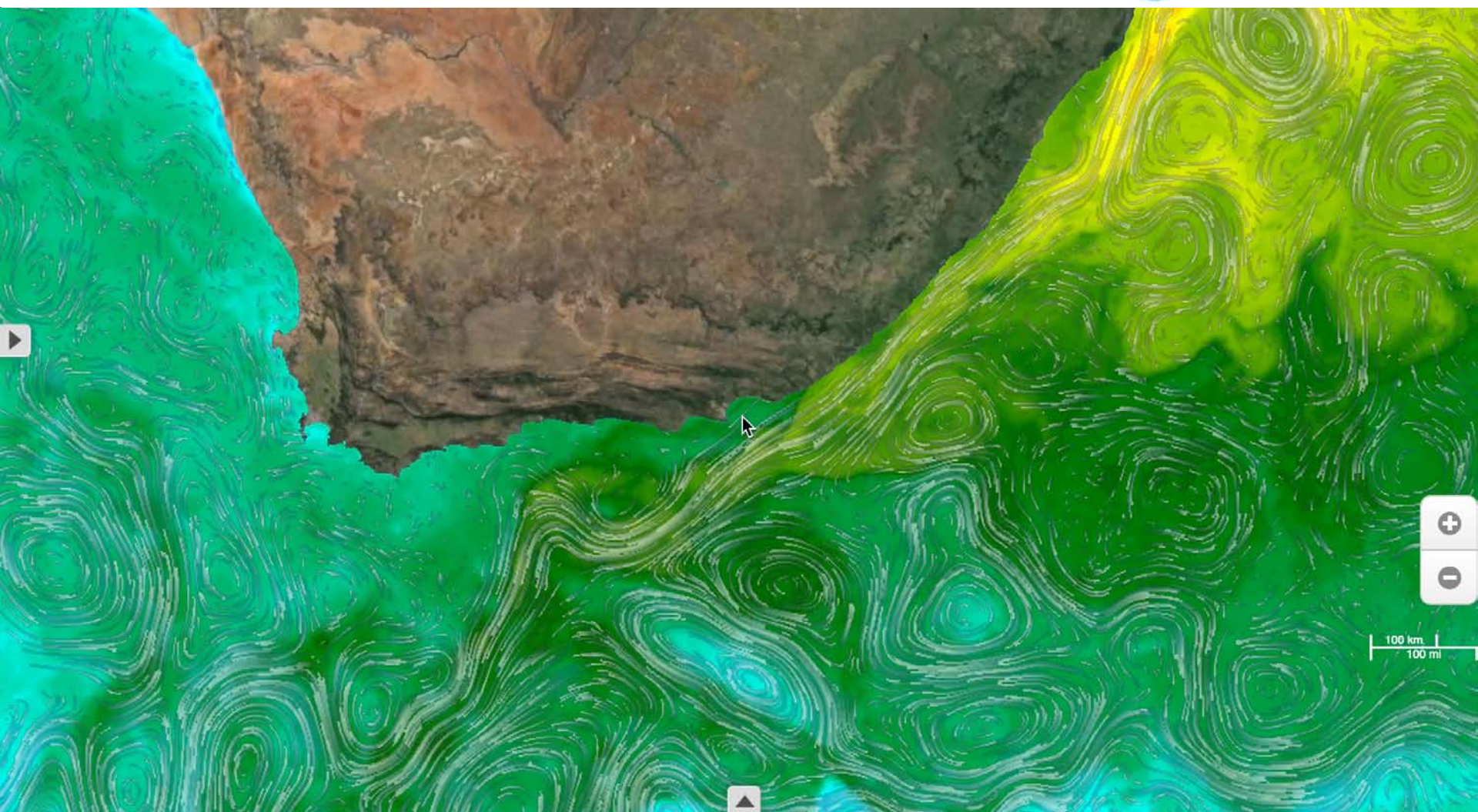
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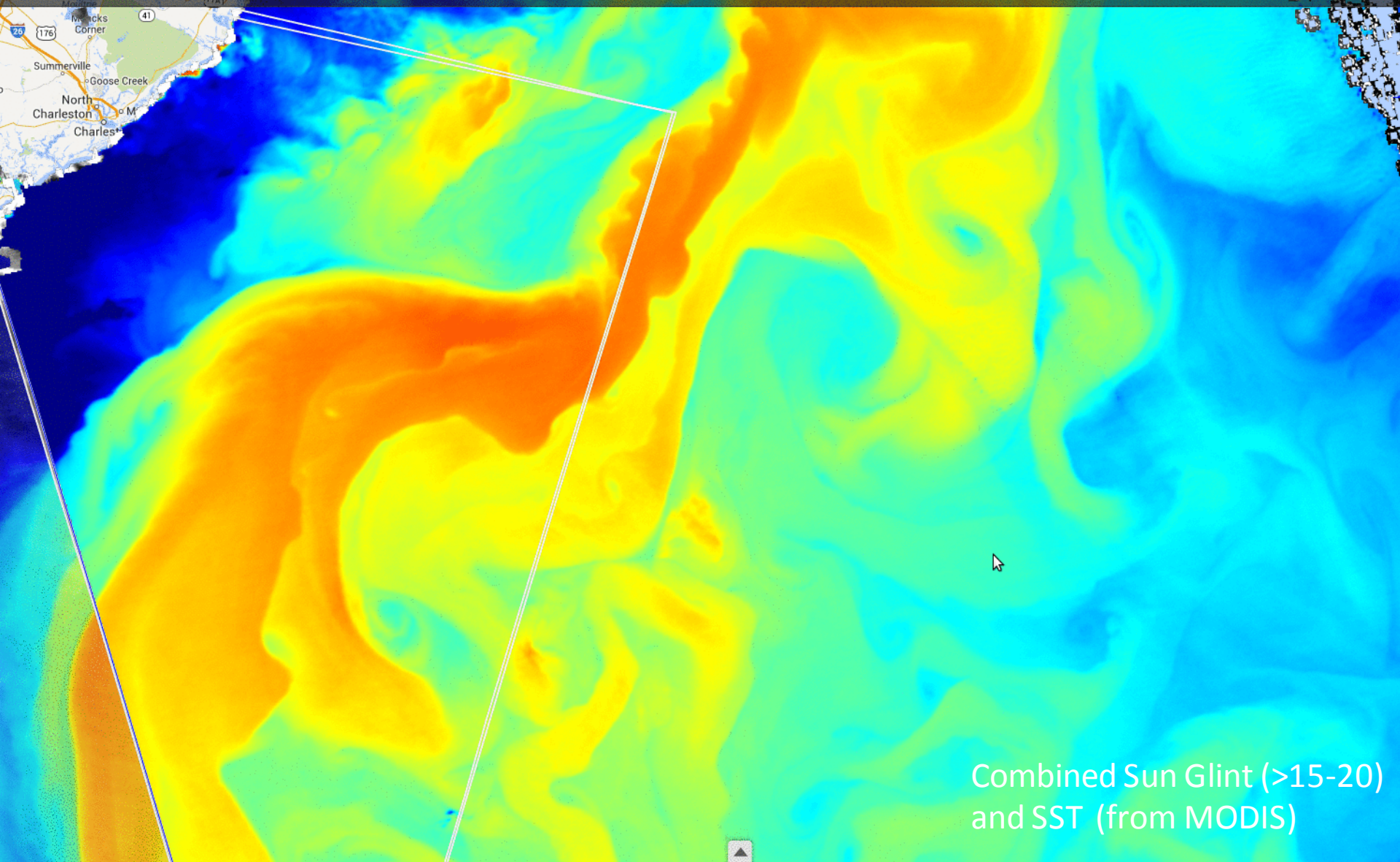
- ☒ Geostrophic surface current streamlines (Globcurrent)
- ☐ HF radar velocity (NOAA)
- ☐ HF radar streamline (NOAA)
- ☒ SST Odyssey Regional South Africa (IFREMER)
- ☒ SST Odyssey Global (IFREMER)
- ☐ OSCAR surface current streamline (NOAA)
- ☐ User Shapes
- ☐ SAR roughness (ESA, OceanDataLab)
- ☐ SST SMOS L4 (ECMWF, IFREMER)
- ☐ OSCAR current SMOS L4 streamline (NOAA, IFREMER)
- ☐ SSS SMOS L4 (ESA, IFREMER)
- ☒ Drifters 15m drogue (Globcurrent)
- ☐ SST MODIS denoised (NASA, OceanDataLab)



SNAPSHOT 6 SEPTEMBER 2012

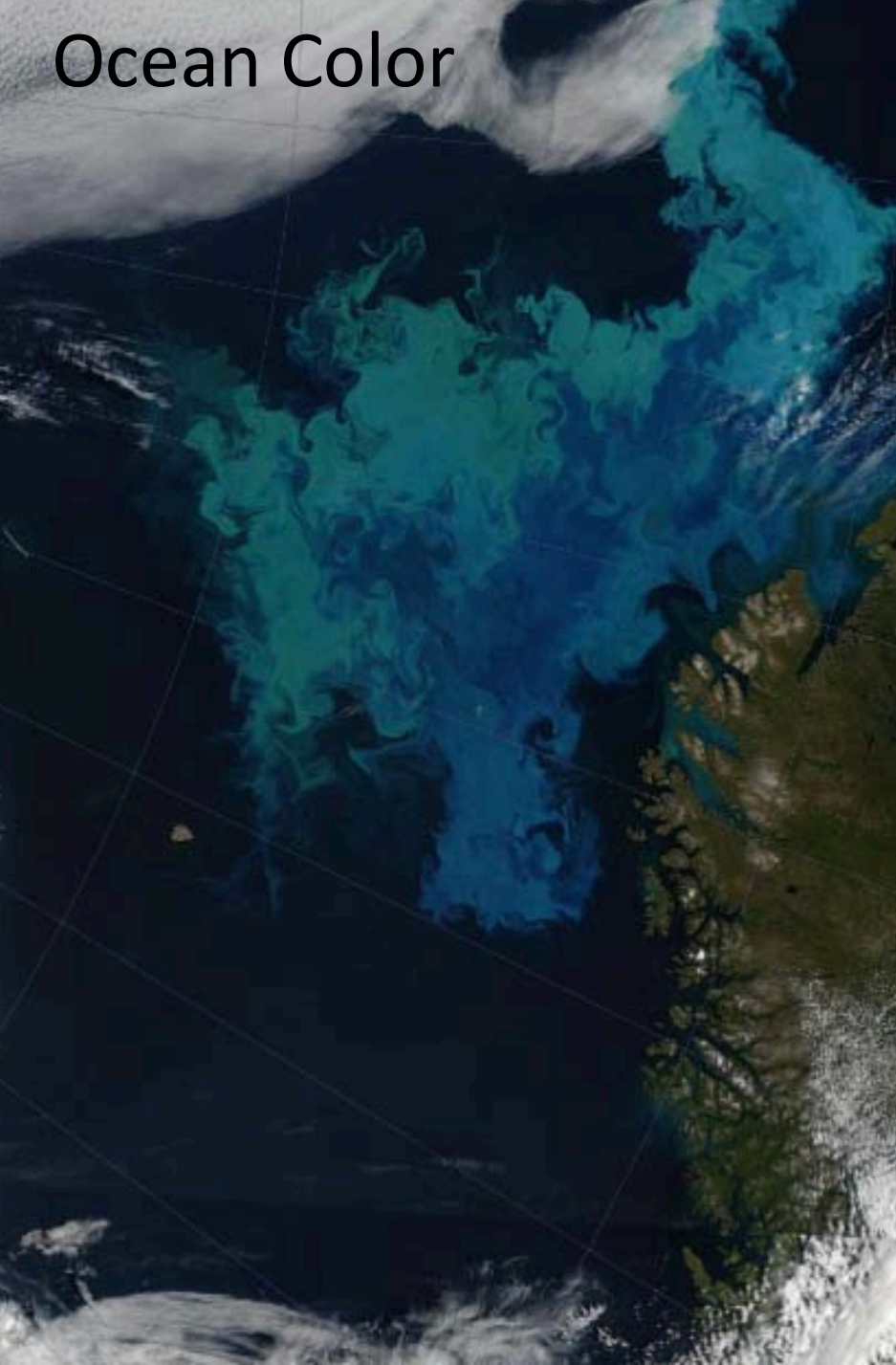
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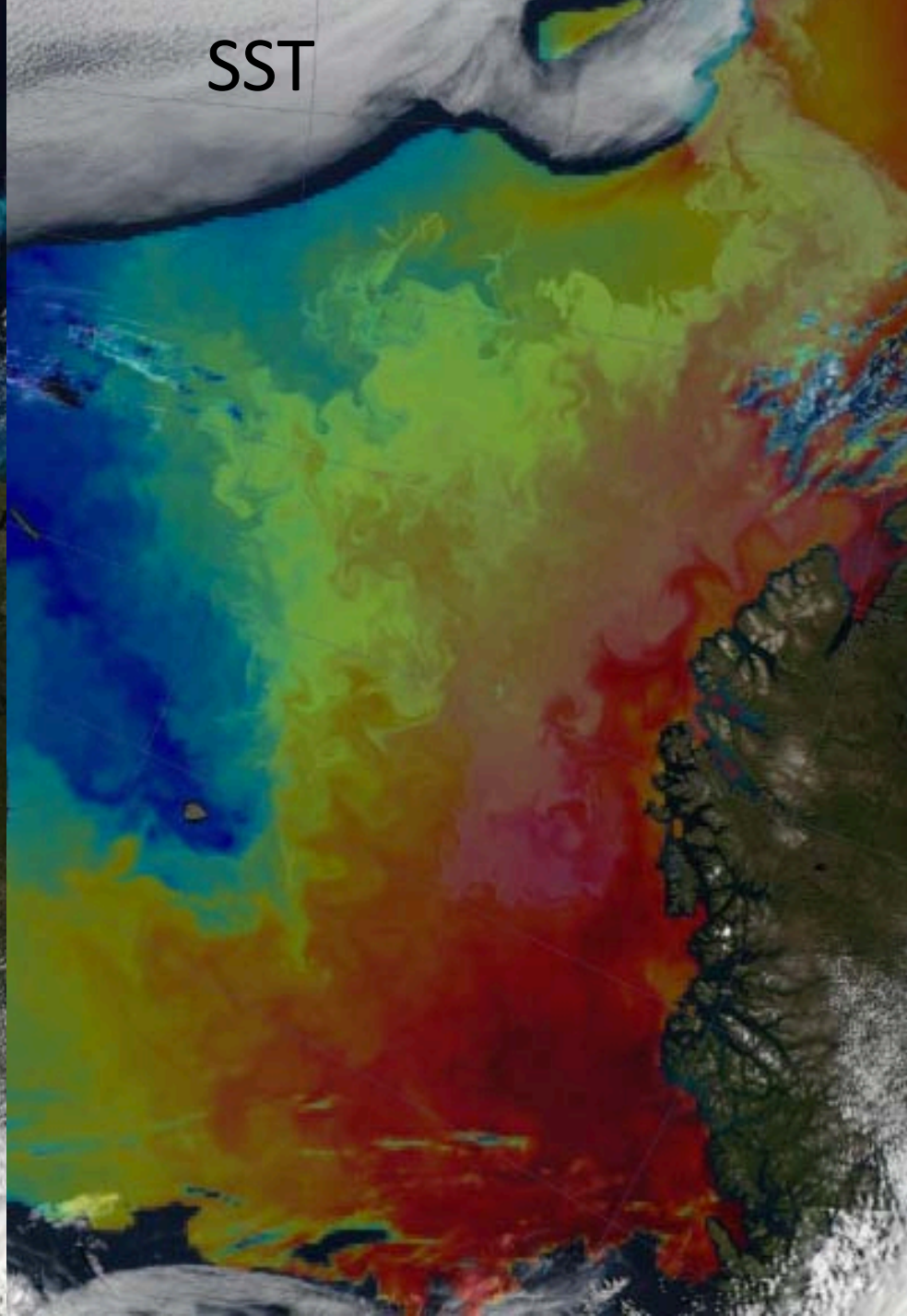


Combined Sun Glint (>15-20)
and SST (from MODIS)

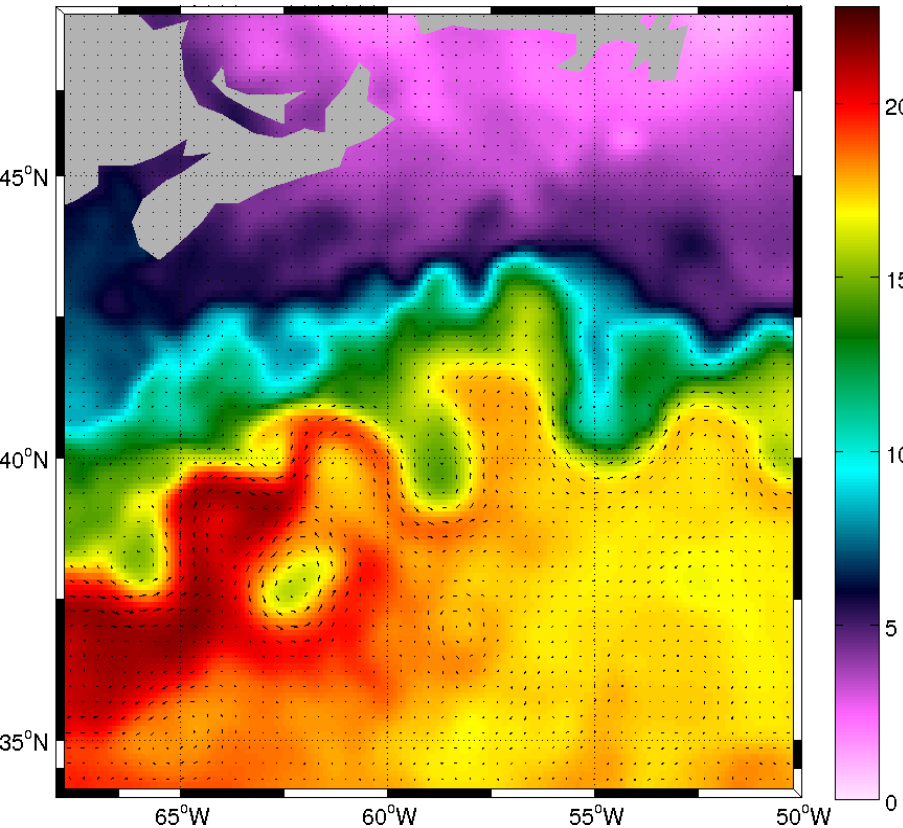
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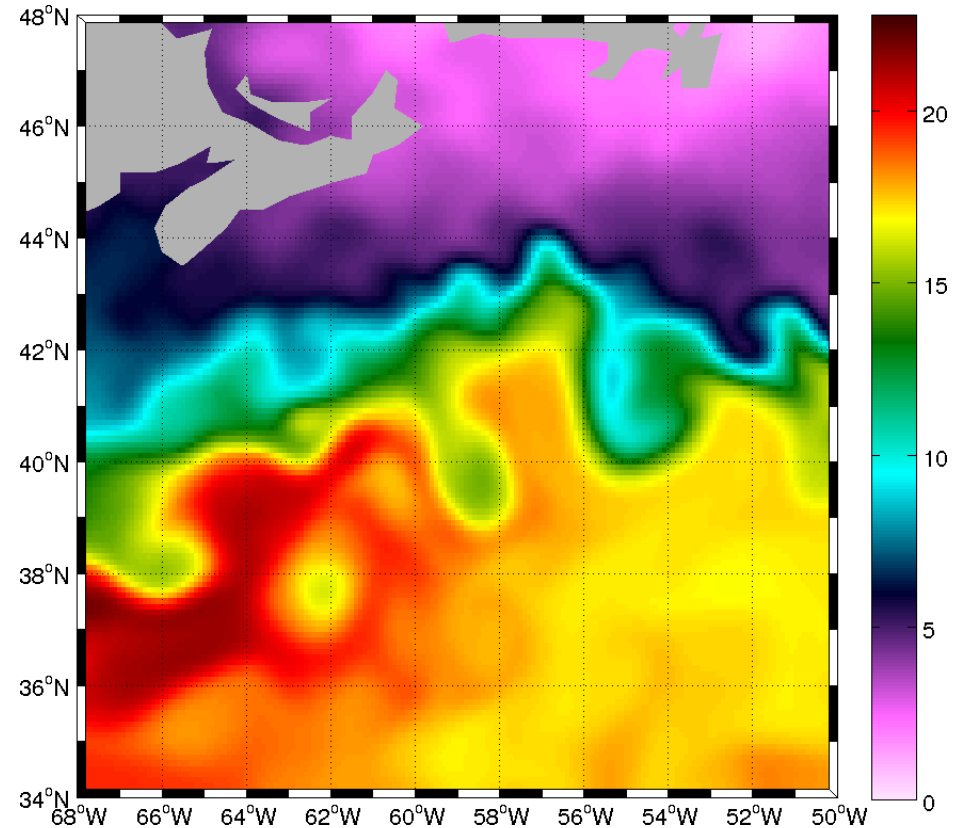
SST



Forward Lagrangian Advection from 02/05 to 06/05 2010

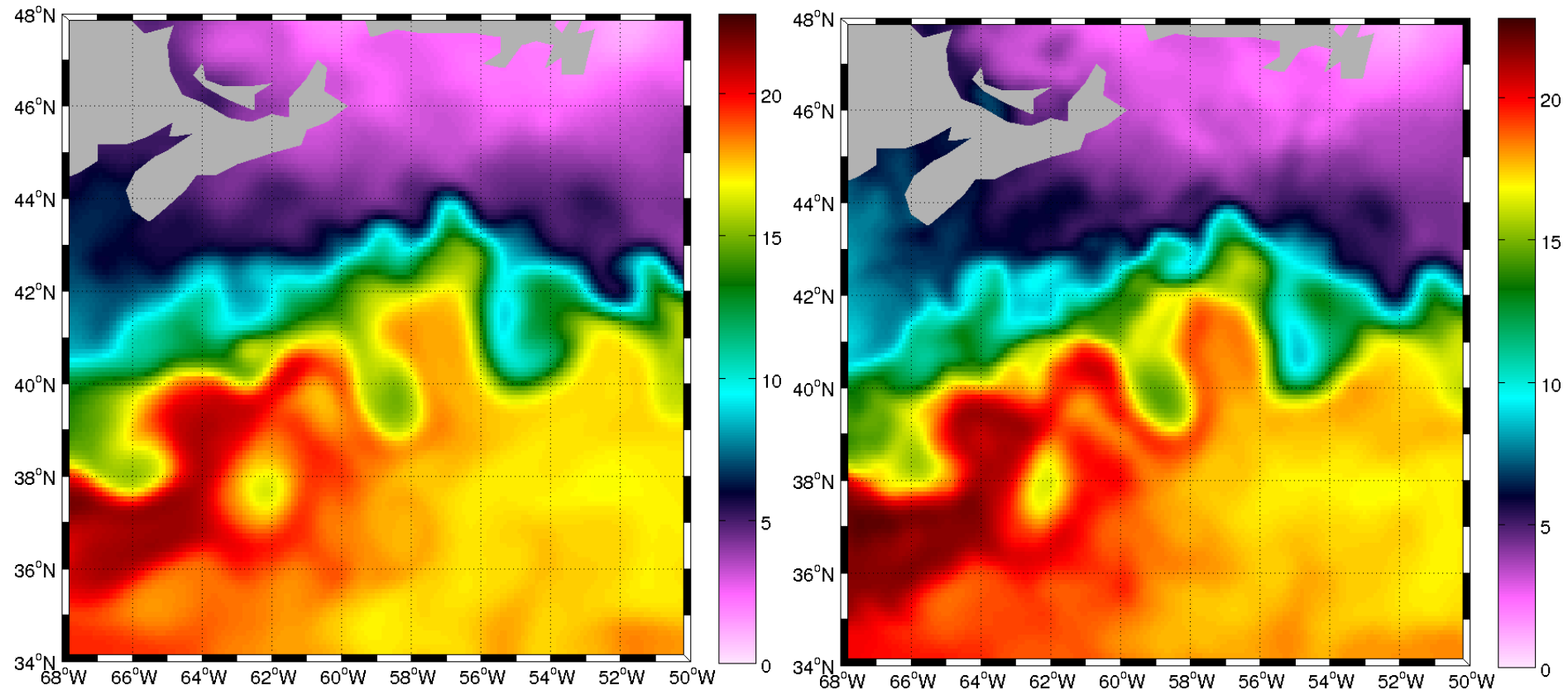


SST and AVISO Current Vectors at 25 km resolution (02/05/2010)



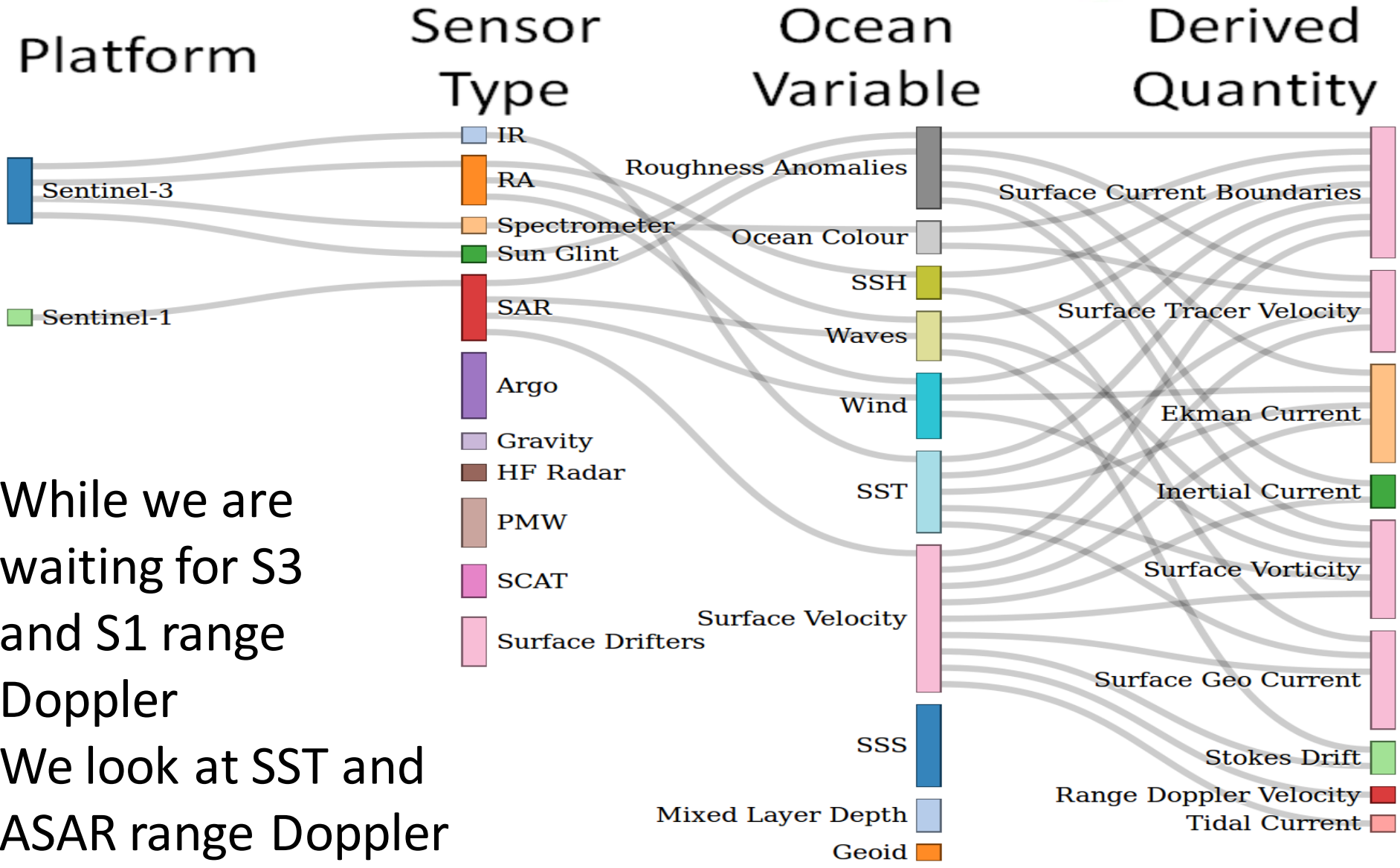
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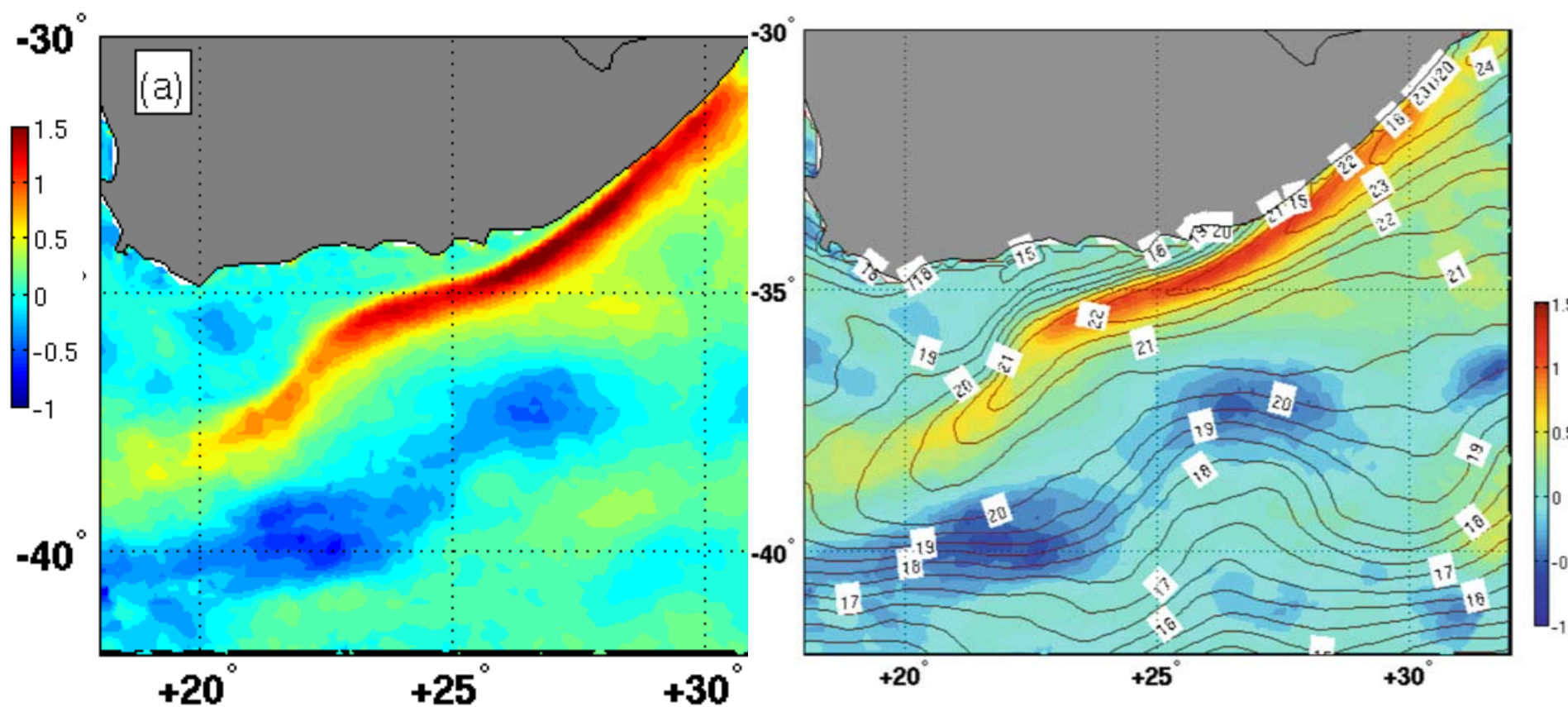
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06/05/2010 – Observed SST



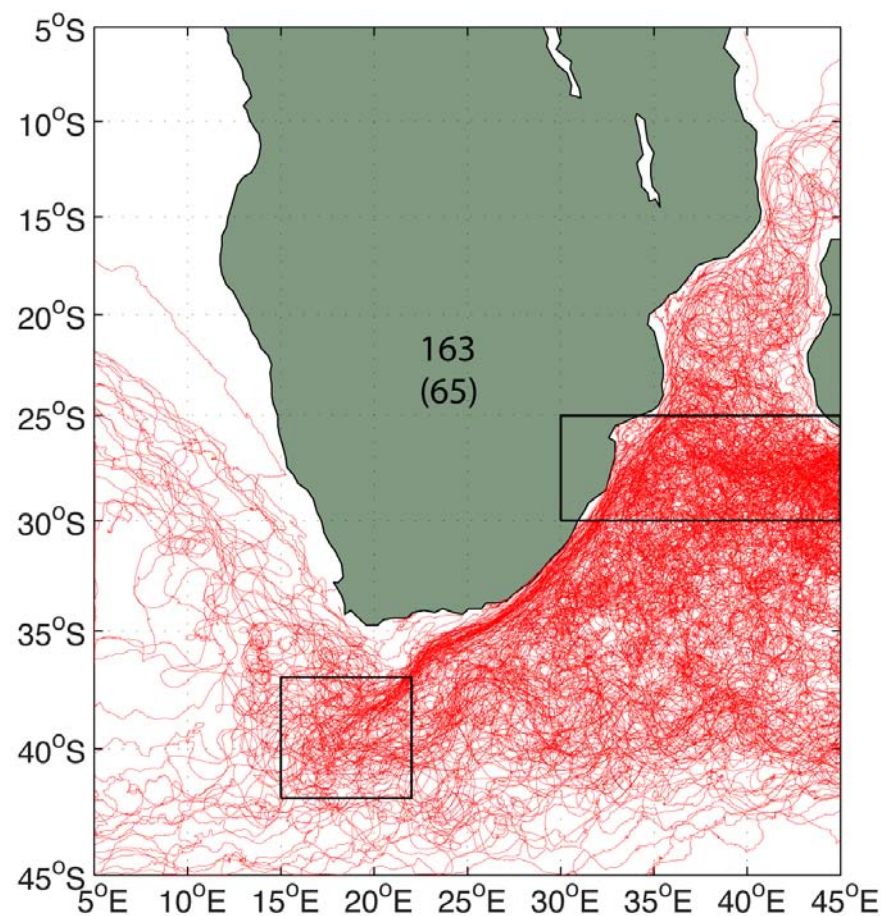
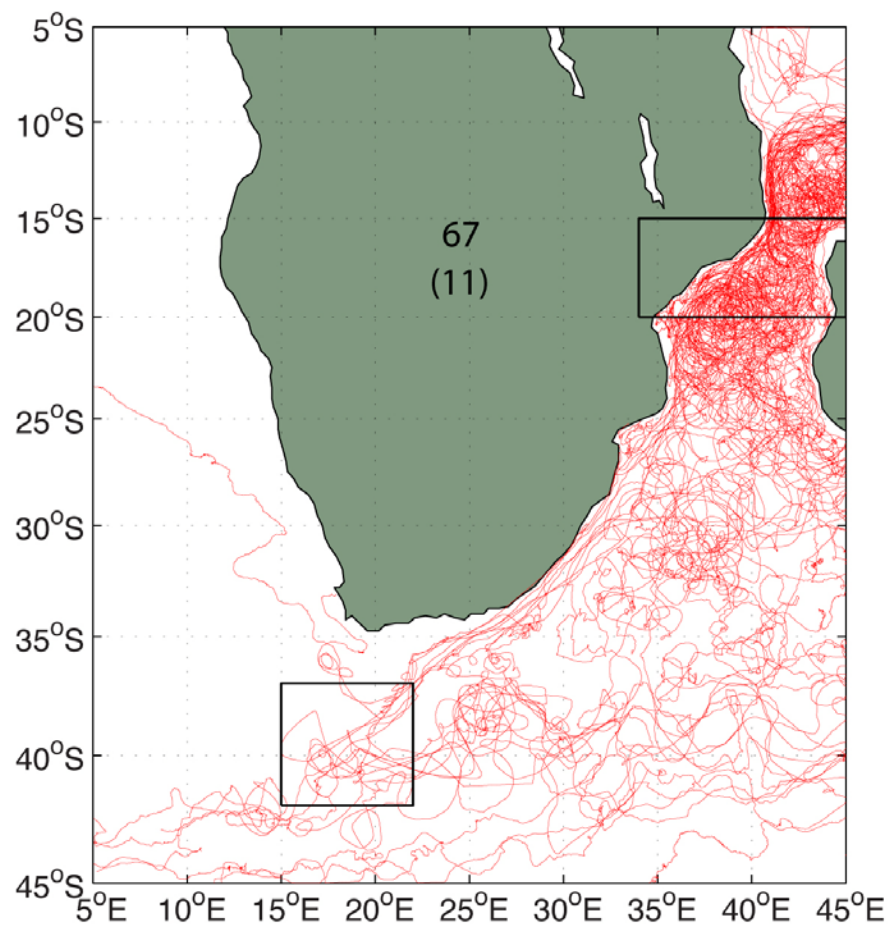
While we are waiting for S3 and S1 range Doppler
We look at SST and ASAR range Doppler

Mean Range Doppler velocity and SST for 2007-20012

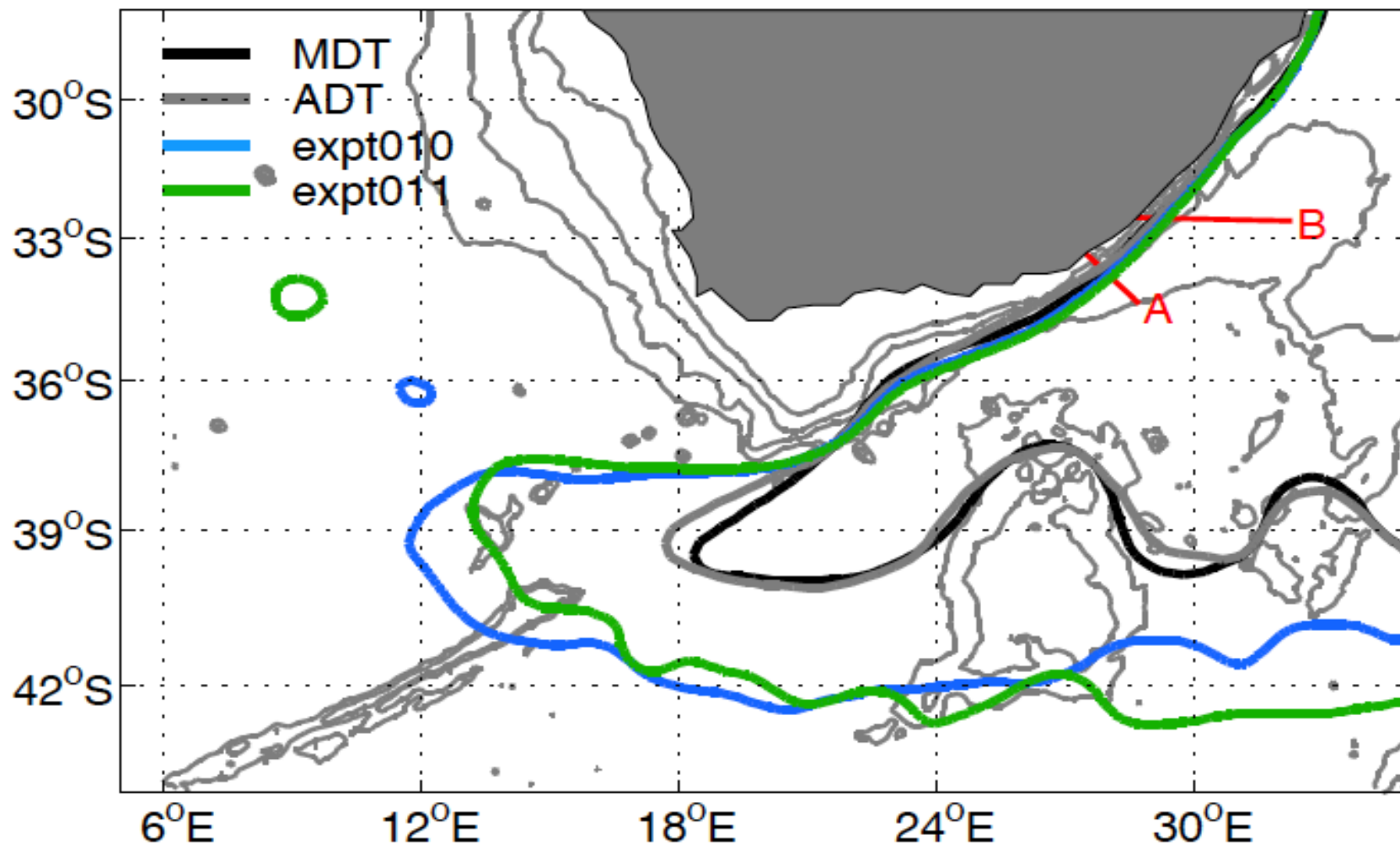




Validation: Surface drifter velocity 1992-2014



Validation: Frontal locations observed & modelled





Summary

Satellite based global data product

- Surface geostrophic current
- Surface and 15 m Ekman current
- Stokes drift

collocated to a 10 km grid at a 3 hour temporal resolution
can now be downloaded from www.globcurrent.org/products-data.

Towards the end of the year the global data base will be extended to
cover 2002-2015

It will importantly soon be combined with high resolution data from the
new Sentinel-3 (SST, RA, OC) and Sentinel-1 (range Doppler) missions





Outlook

- A new framework for satellite sensor synergy is now emerging that can advance studies of the upper ocean (~ 100 m) dynamics
- The goal is to ensure simple and easy access and use of the framework
- A User Consultation Meeting will take place at IFREMER, Brest 4-6 November following an ESA science conference on future current mission the same place from 2-3 November.

