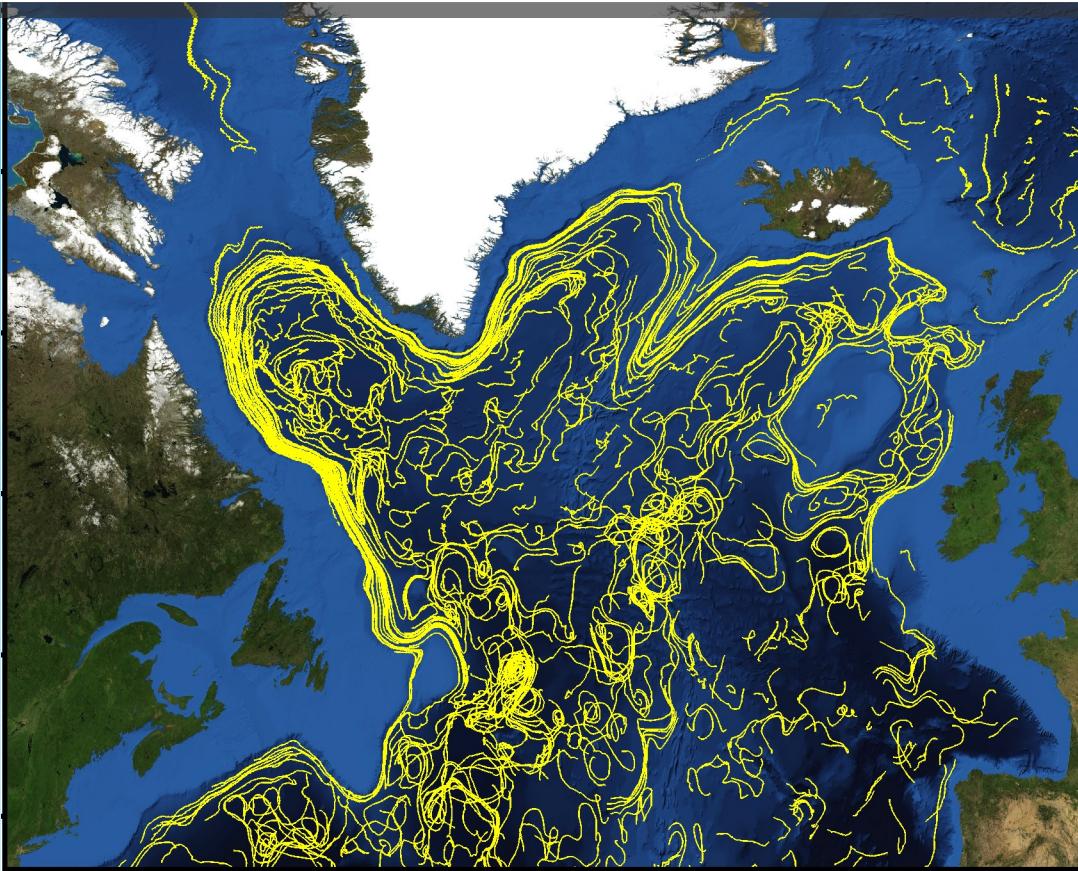


Optimal deployment of the BioArgo floats : a modeling approach



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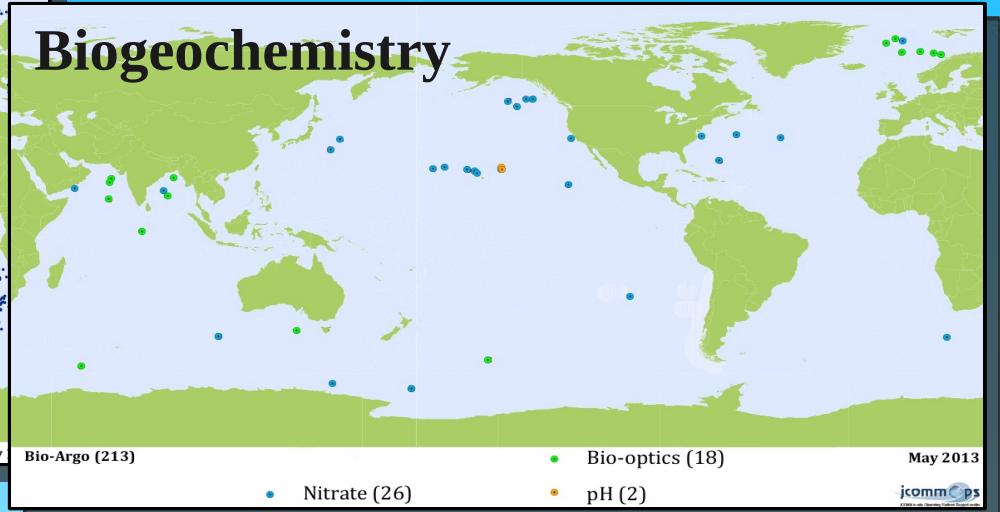
BioArgo context

Physics



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Biogeochemistry



3552 Floats

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Bio-Argo (213)

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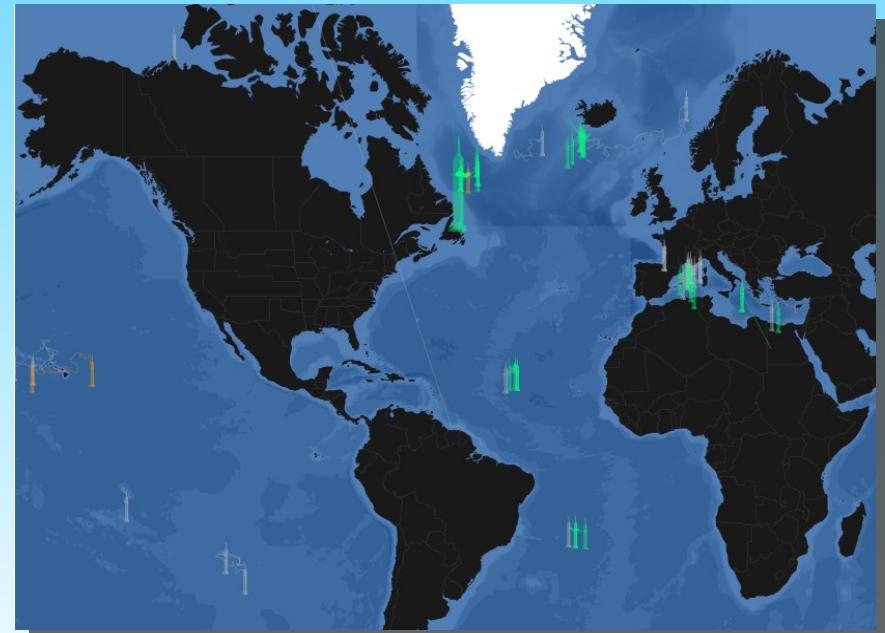
Bio-optics (18)

pH (2)

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- A new map to fill ...
- How to fill it ? Which processes to observe ?
→ *Bio processes strongly localized (time & space)*
- Which network would be **optimal** ?



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Optimality ?

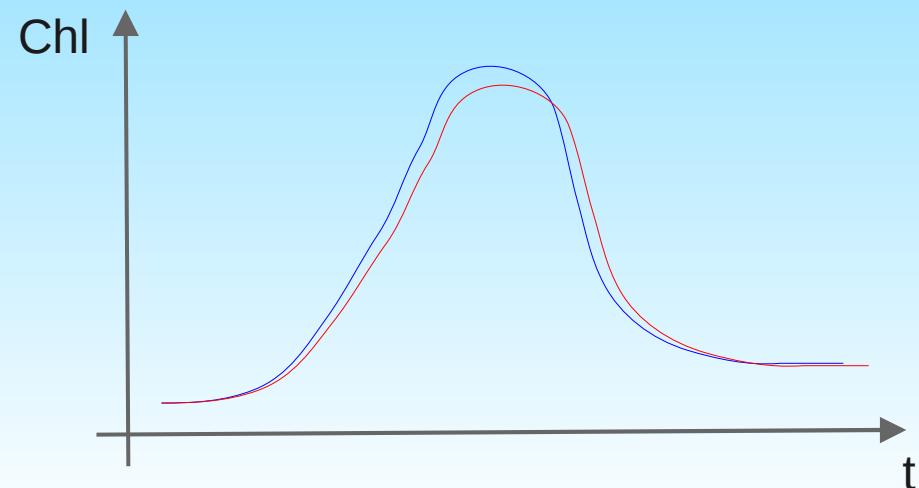
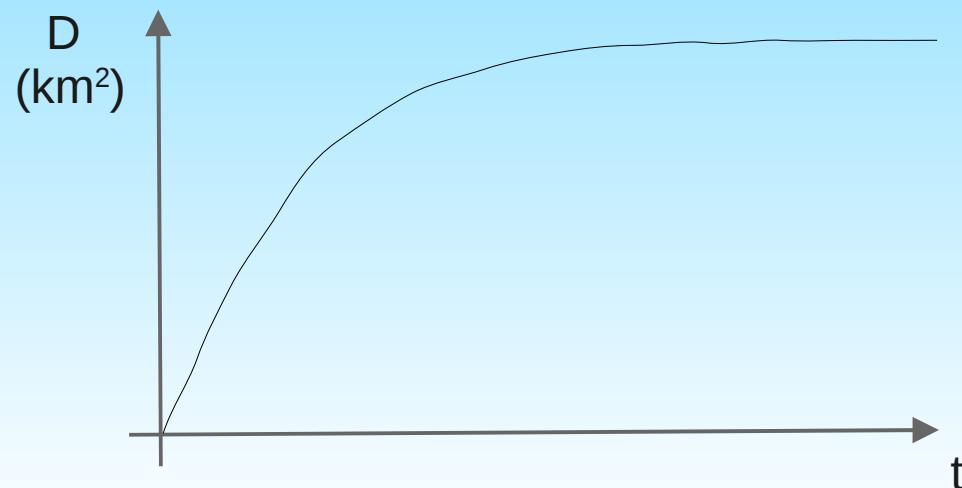
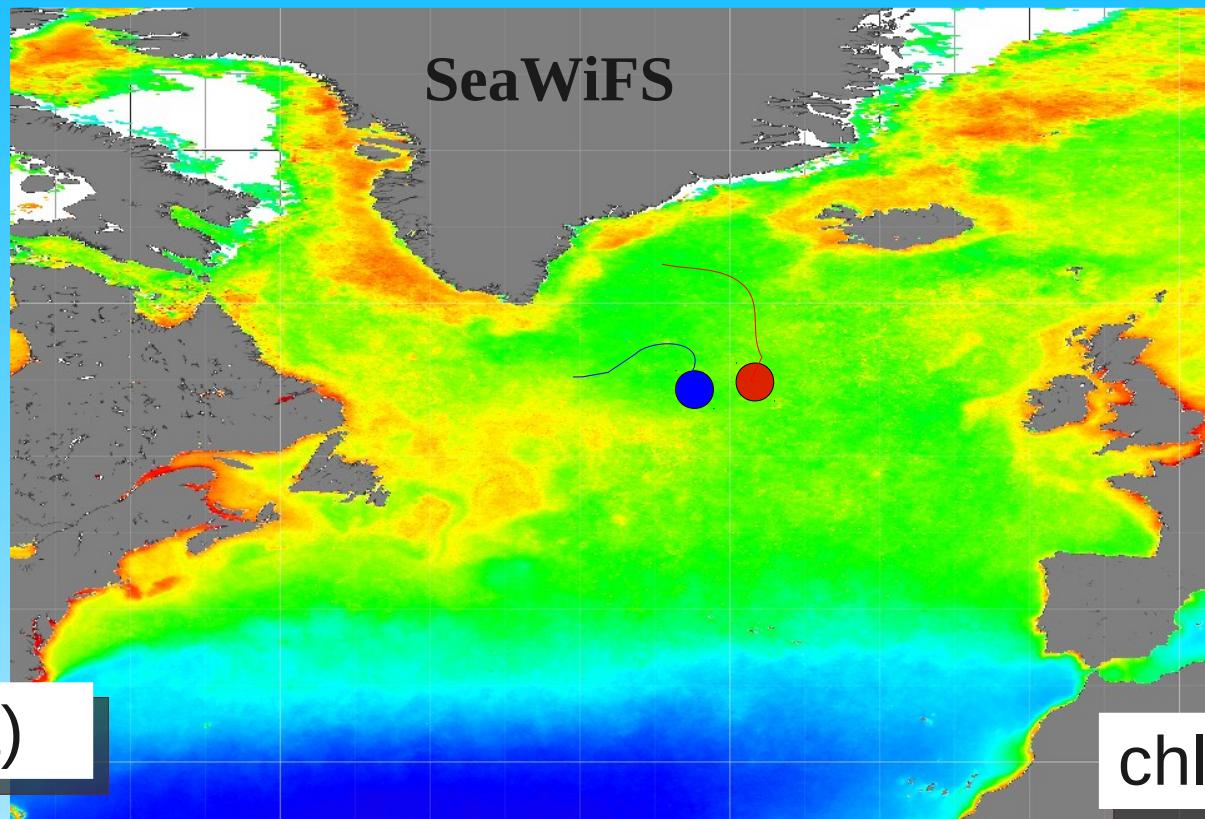
- Deployment **zone/time** to observe a given process?
(e.g. North Atlantic bloom)
- Sampling **strategy** ? (*e.g. cycling time, number of floats*)
- **Criteria** for optimality ?
e.g : Reduce the distortion in the estimation of a global quantity through sub-sampling

Outline

- Consideration about dispersion and sampling
- Methodology for time-series clustering
- Clustering results on the North Atlantic basin
- Conclusion and perspectives

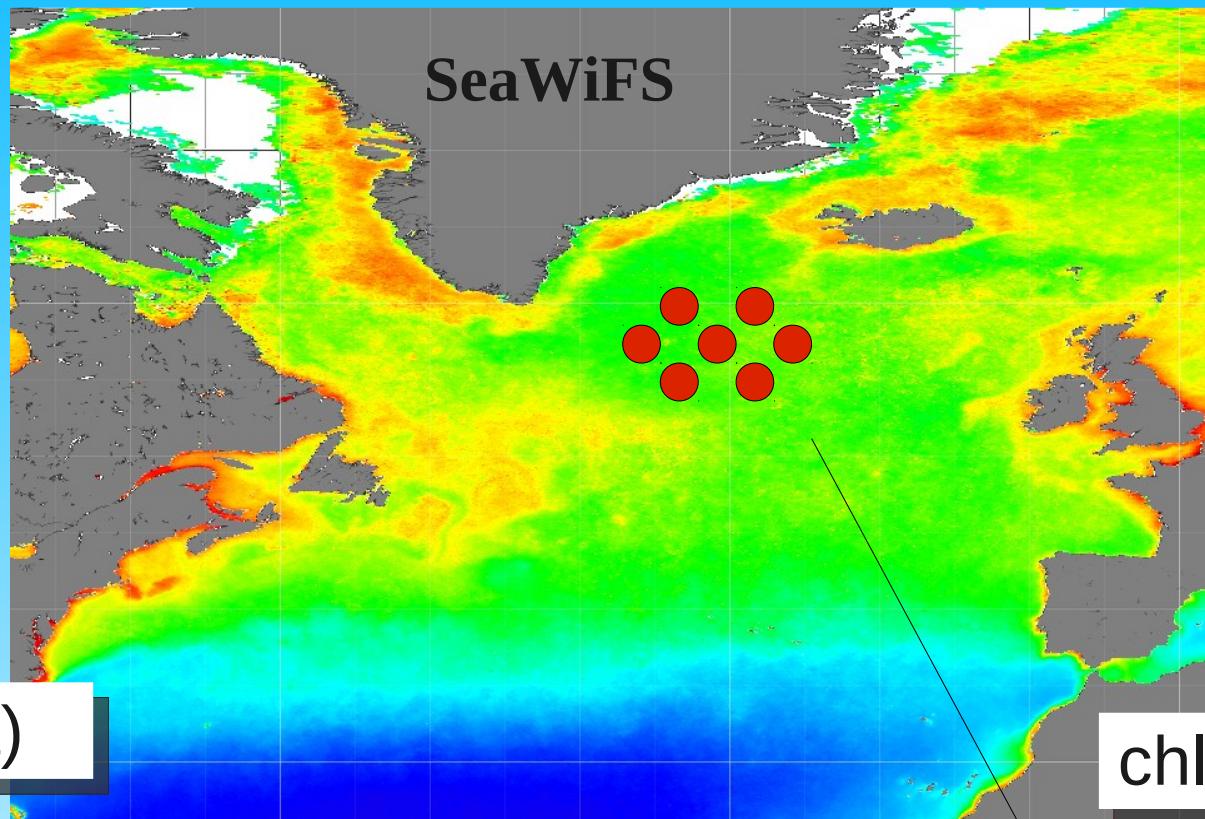
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North
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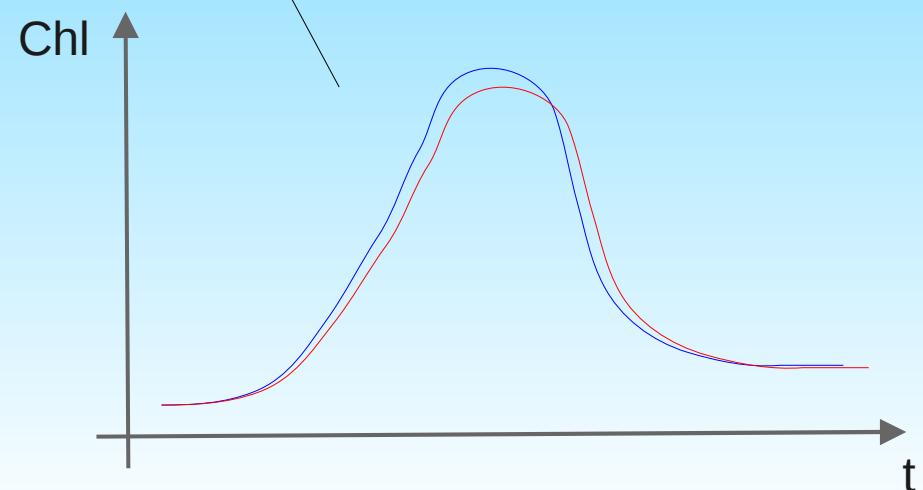
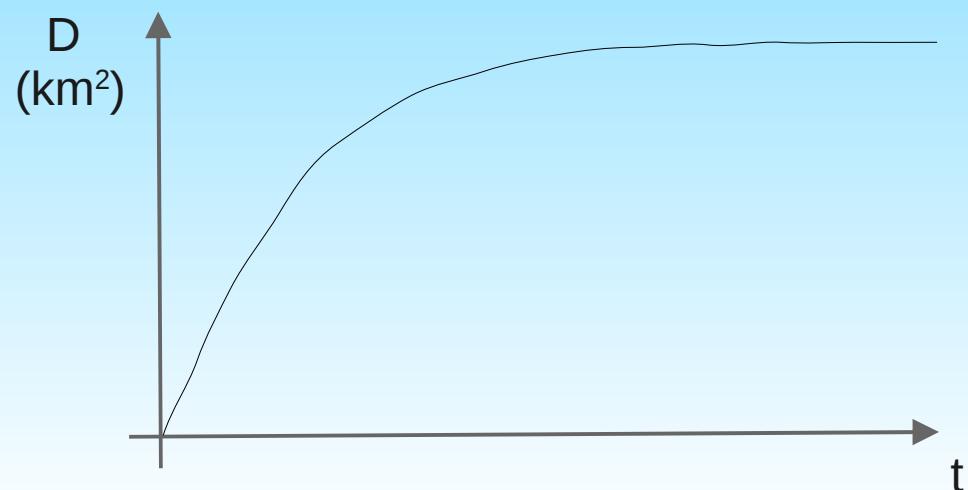


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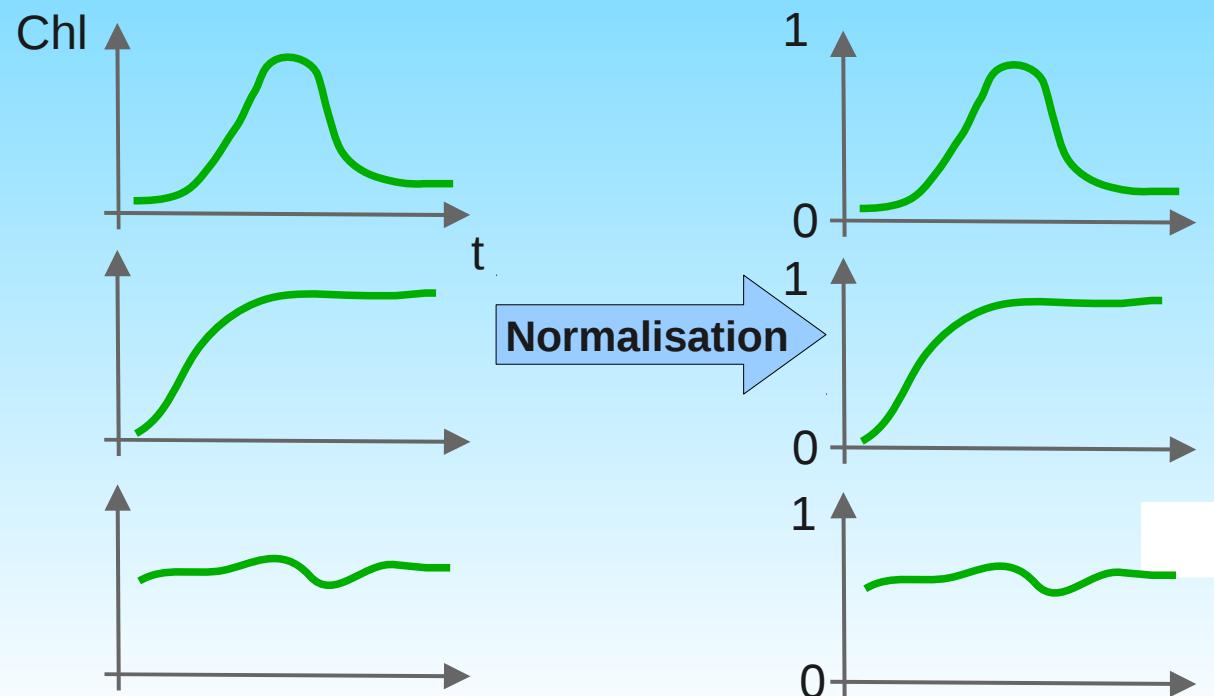
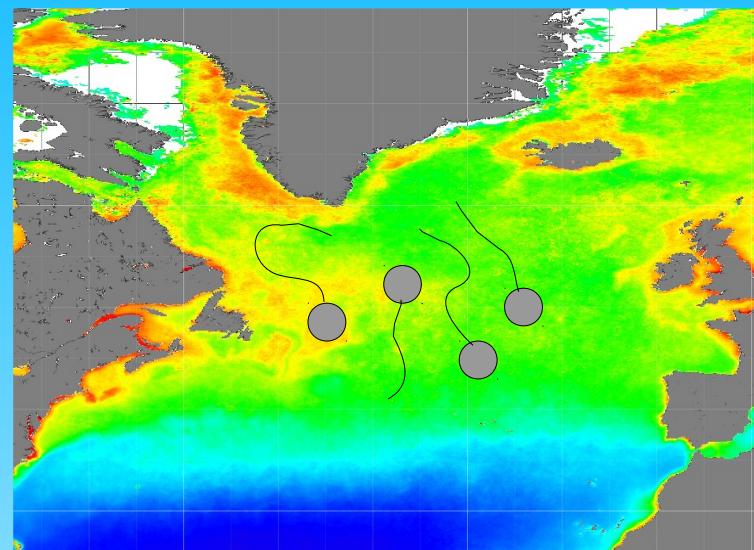


Homogenous
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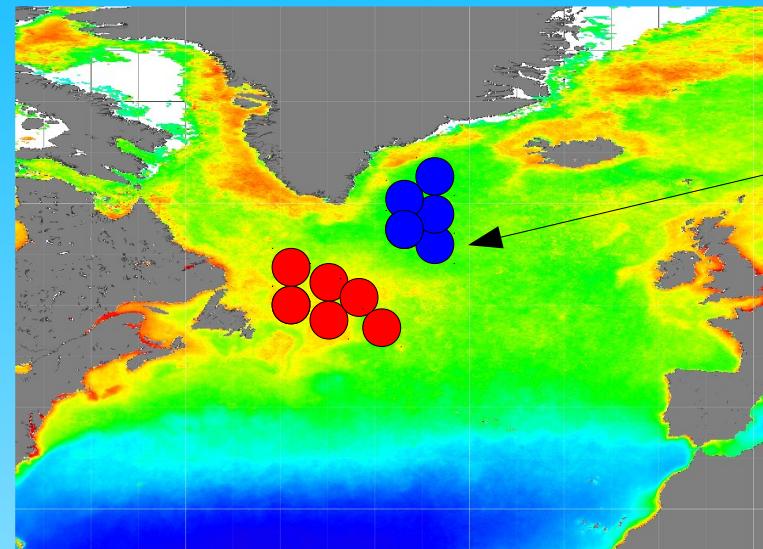
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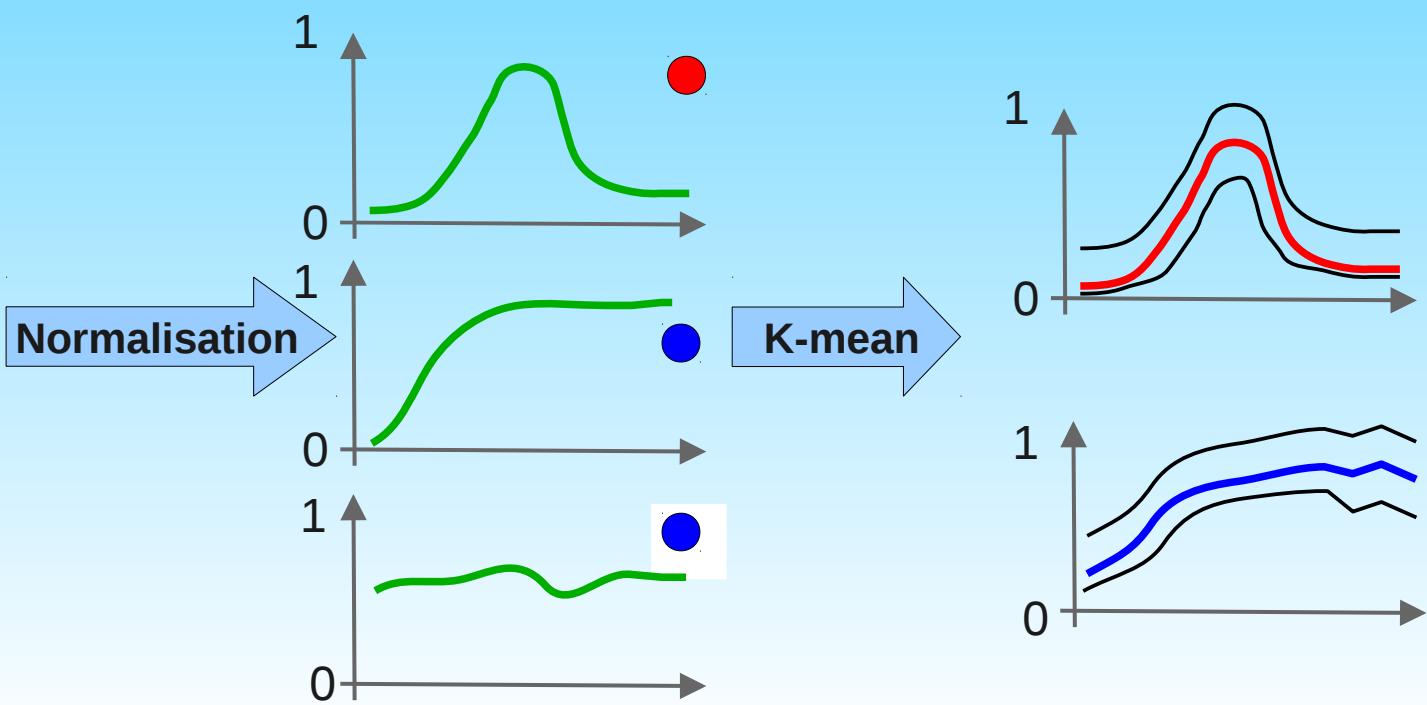
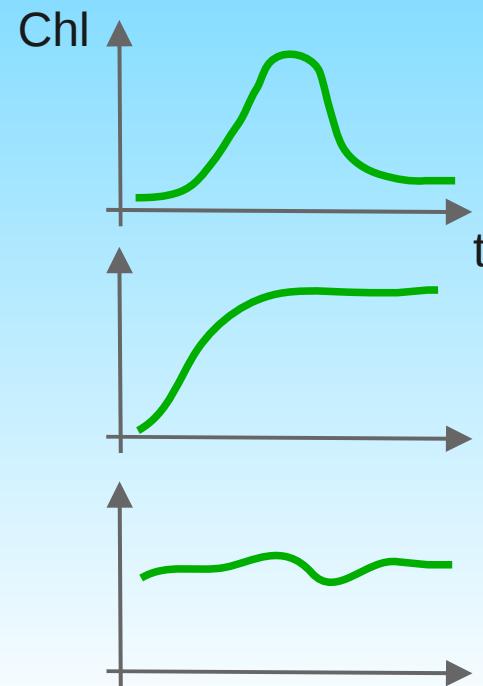


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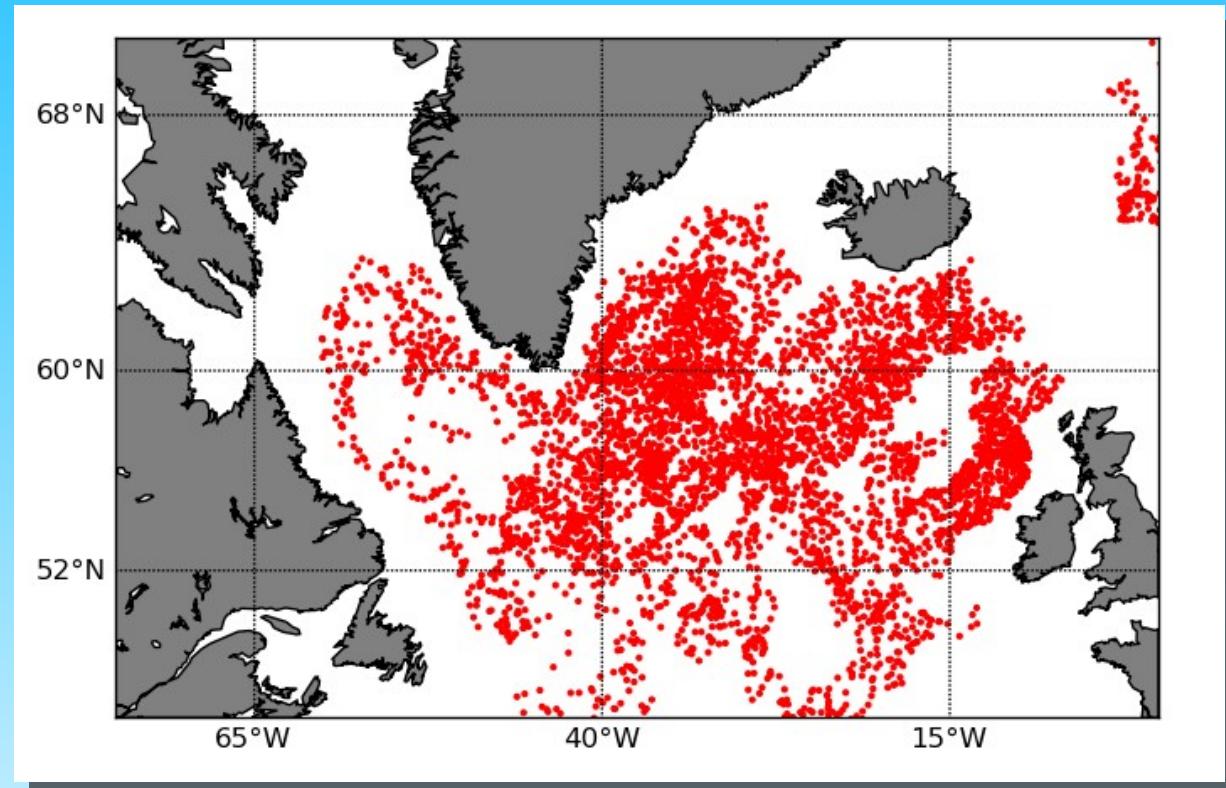
Cluster appartenance with respect to deployment position



Clustering of time-series

- **Consistent trajectory database**
(10 days, 1000 m , minimum lifetime of 1 year)
- **Real or modelled trajectories**
(LAVA, NEMO/NATL4)
- **SeaWiFS-Chl (8d) climatology**
sampling

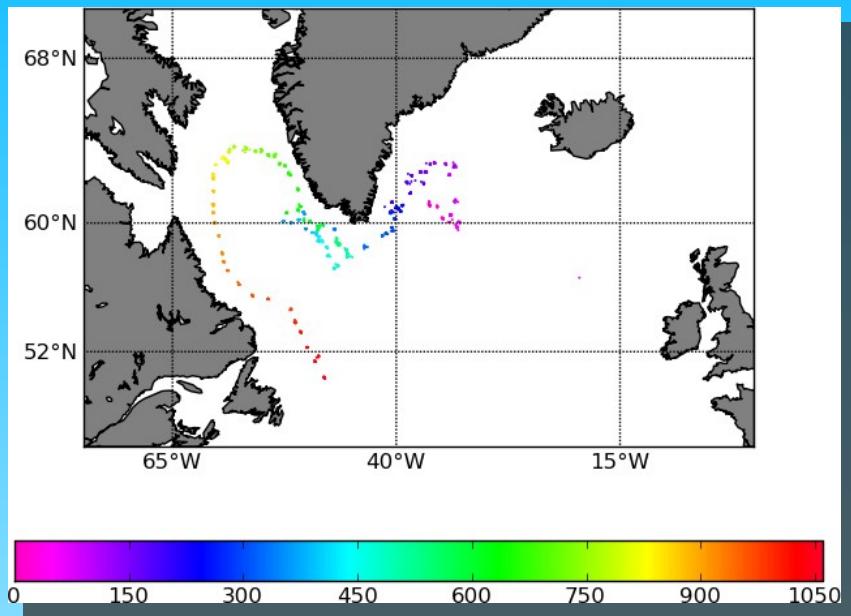
Assumption : every trajectory starts at the same date



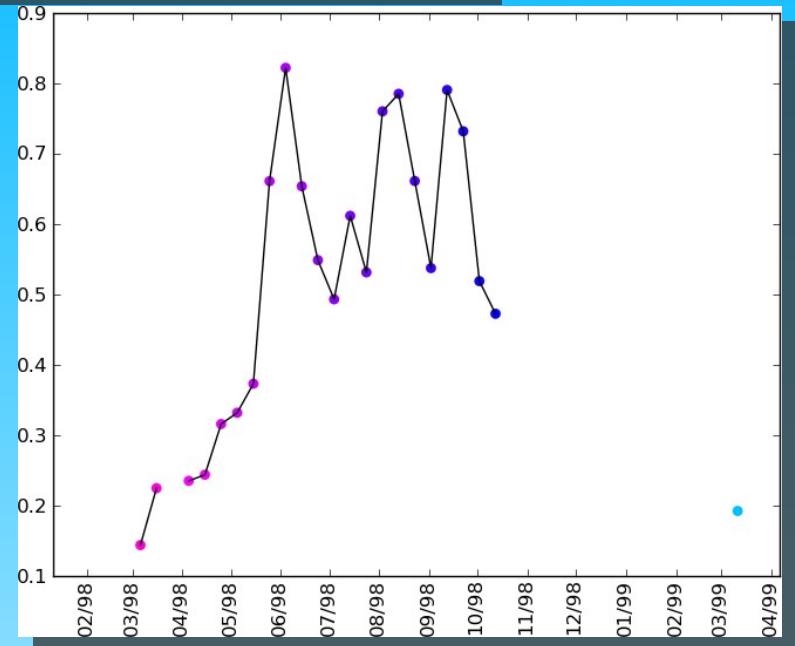
Starting position of trajectories

Examples

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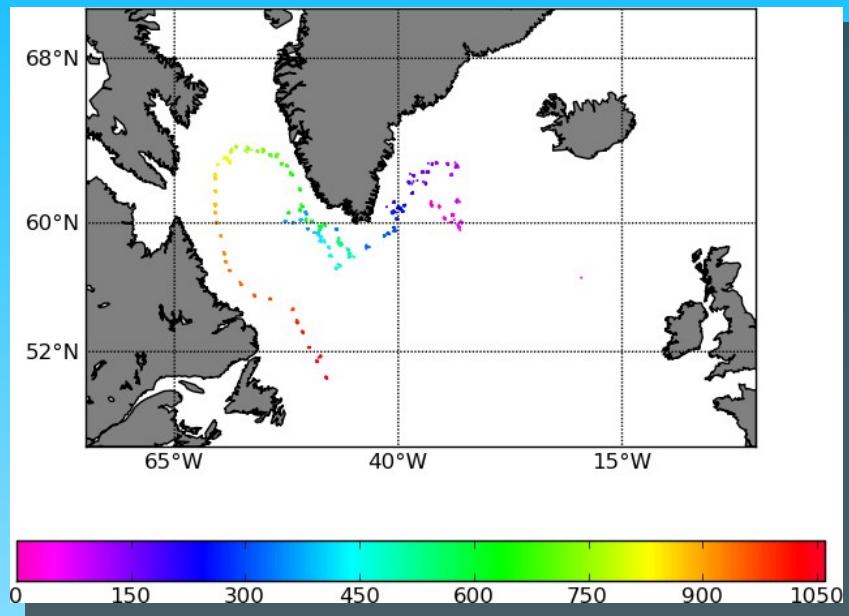


Chl
SeaWiFS
(mg.m⁻³)

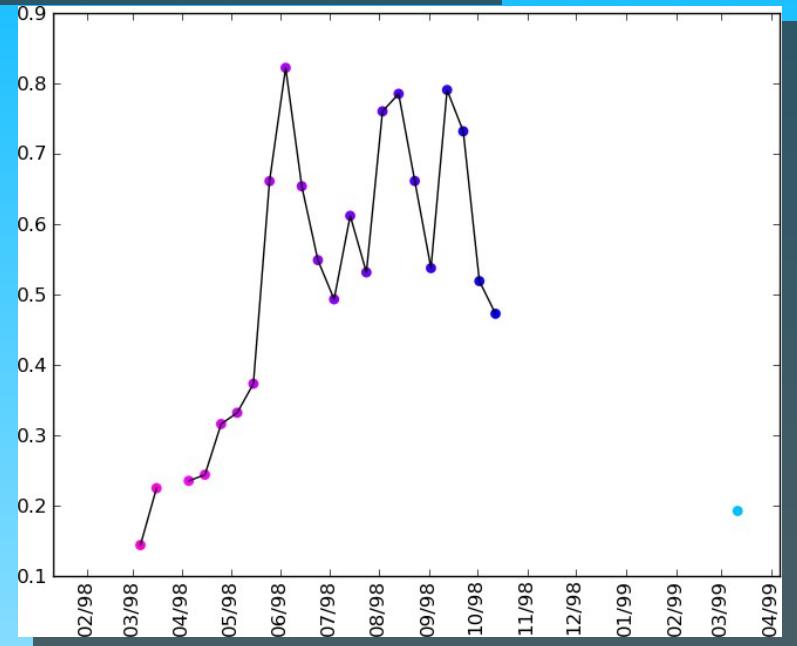


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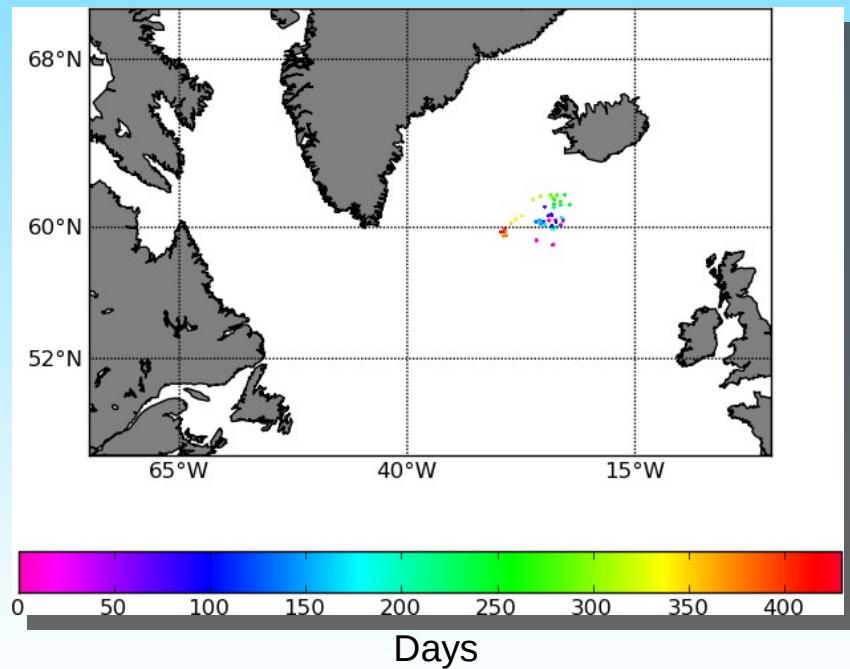
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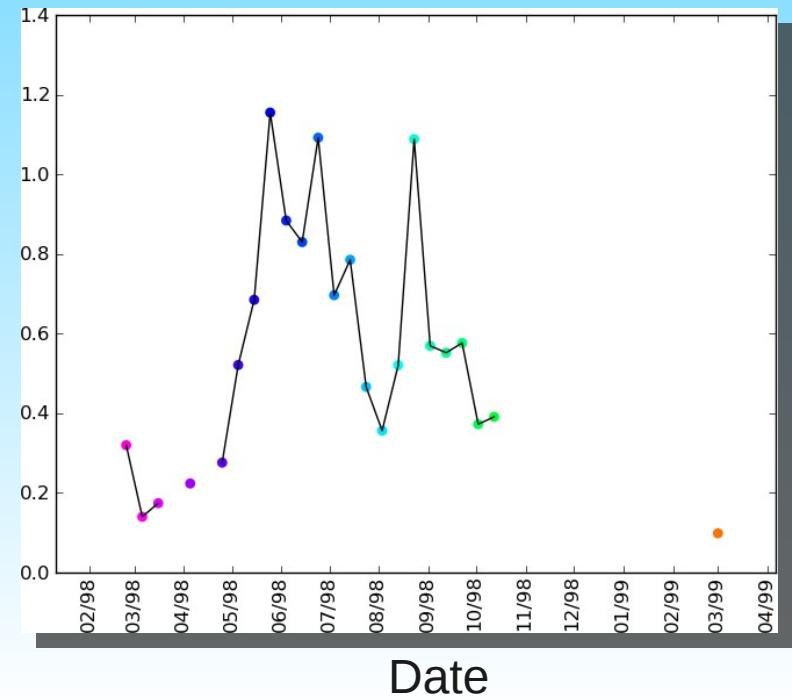
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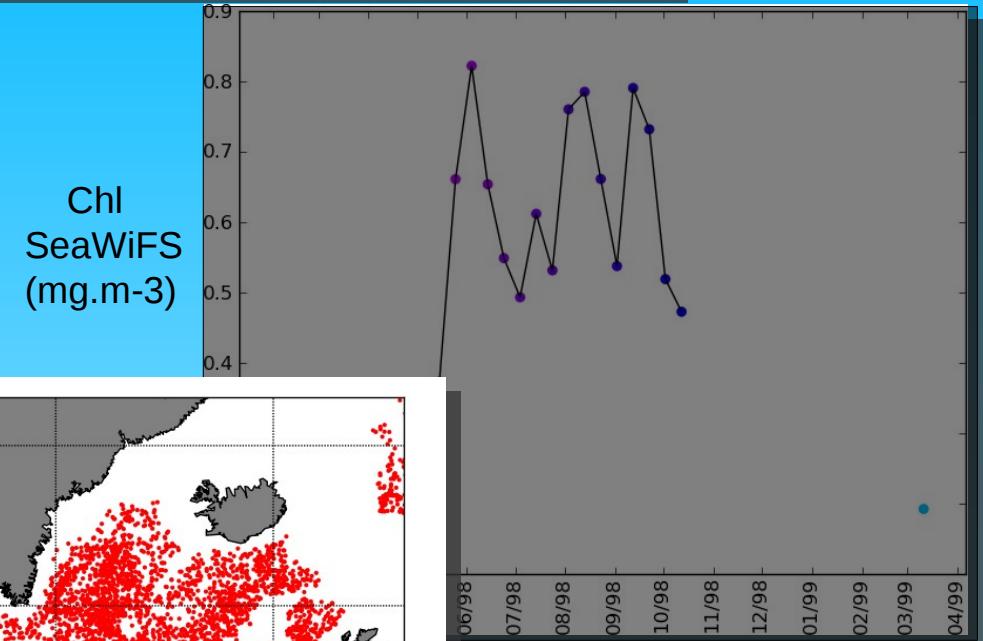
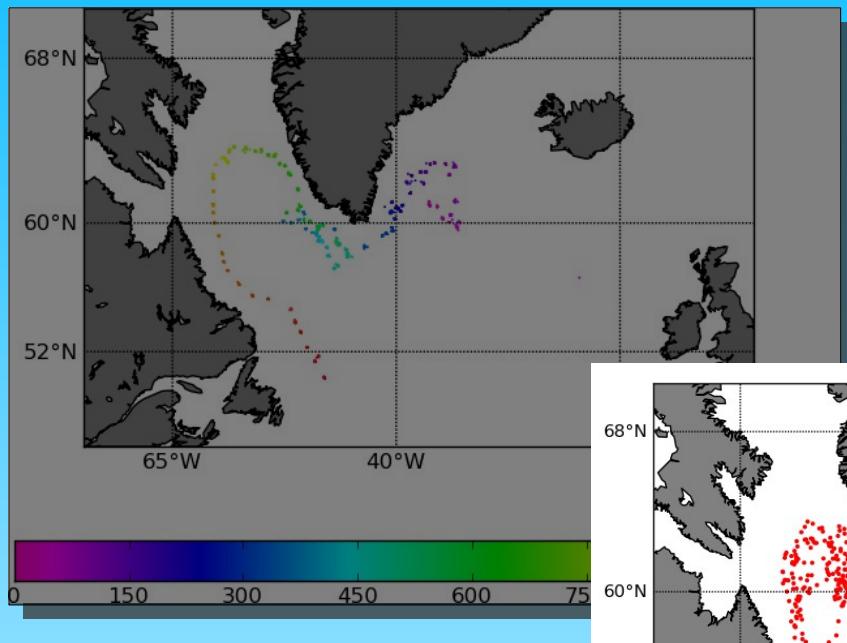
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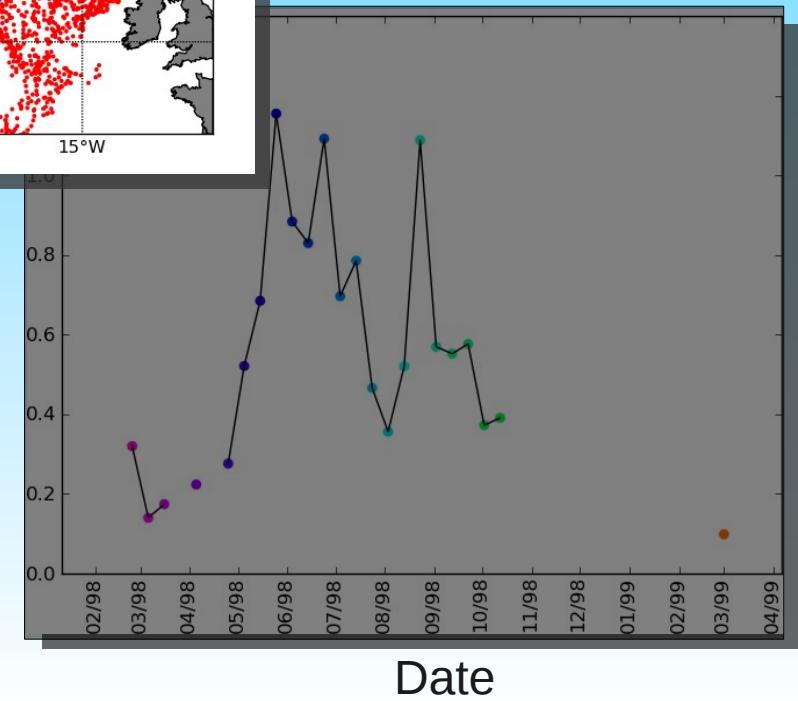
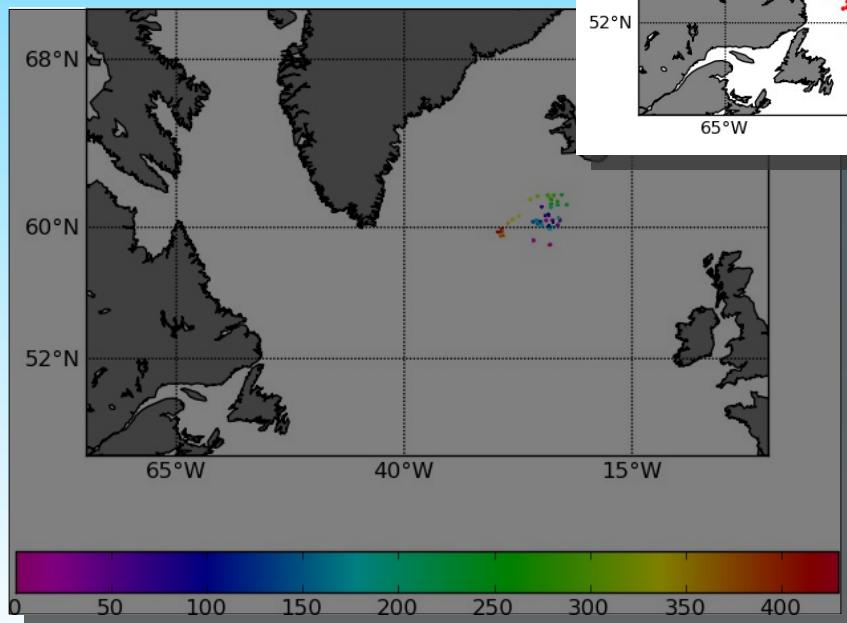
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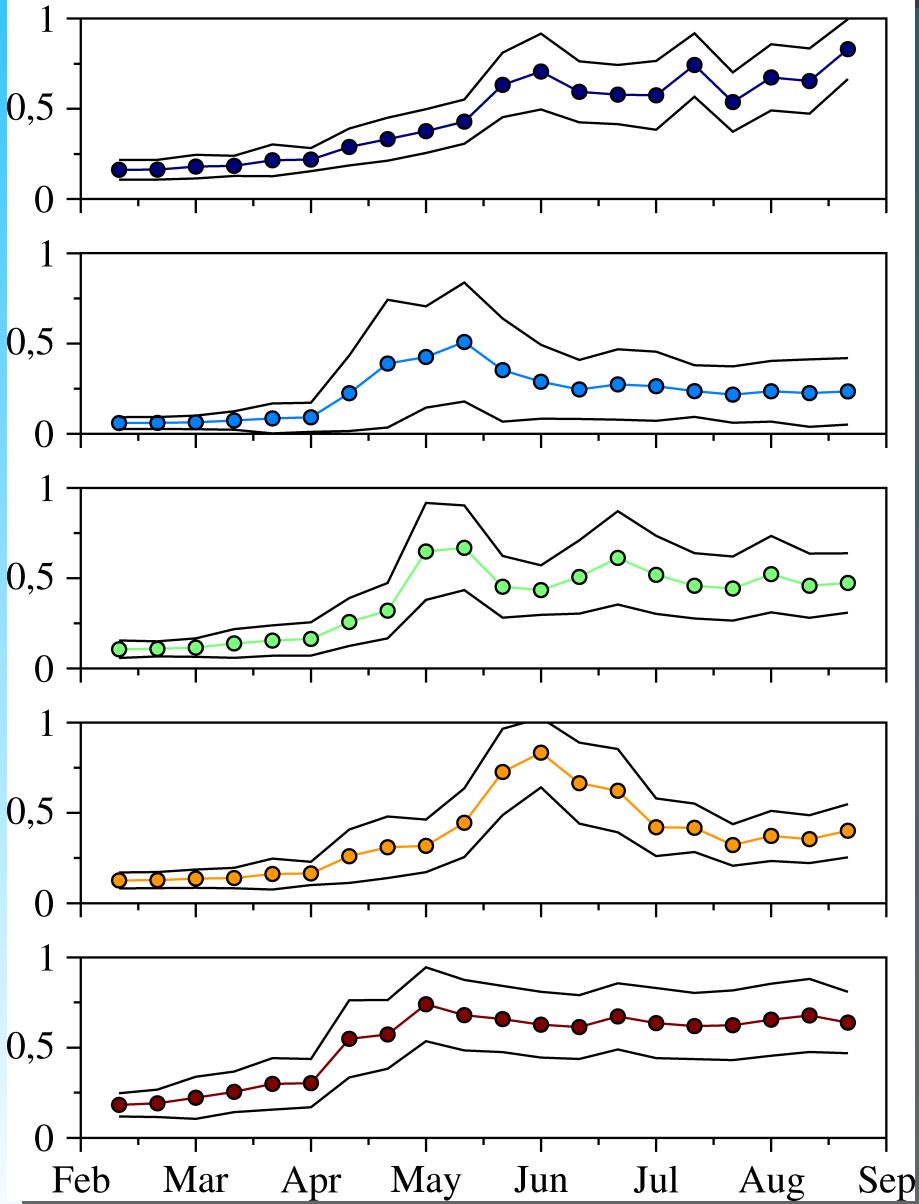


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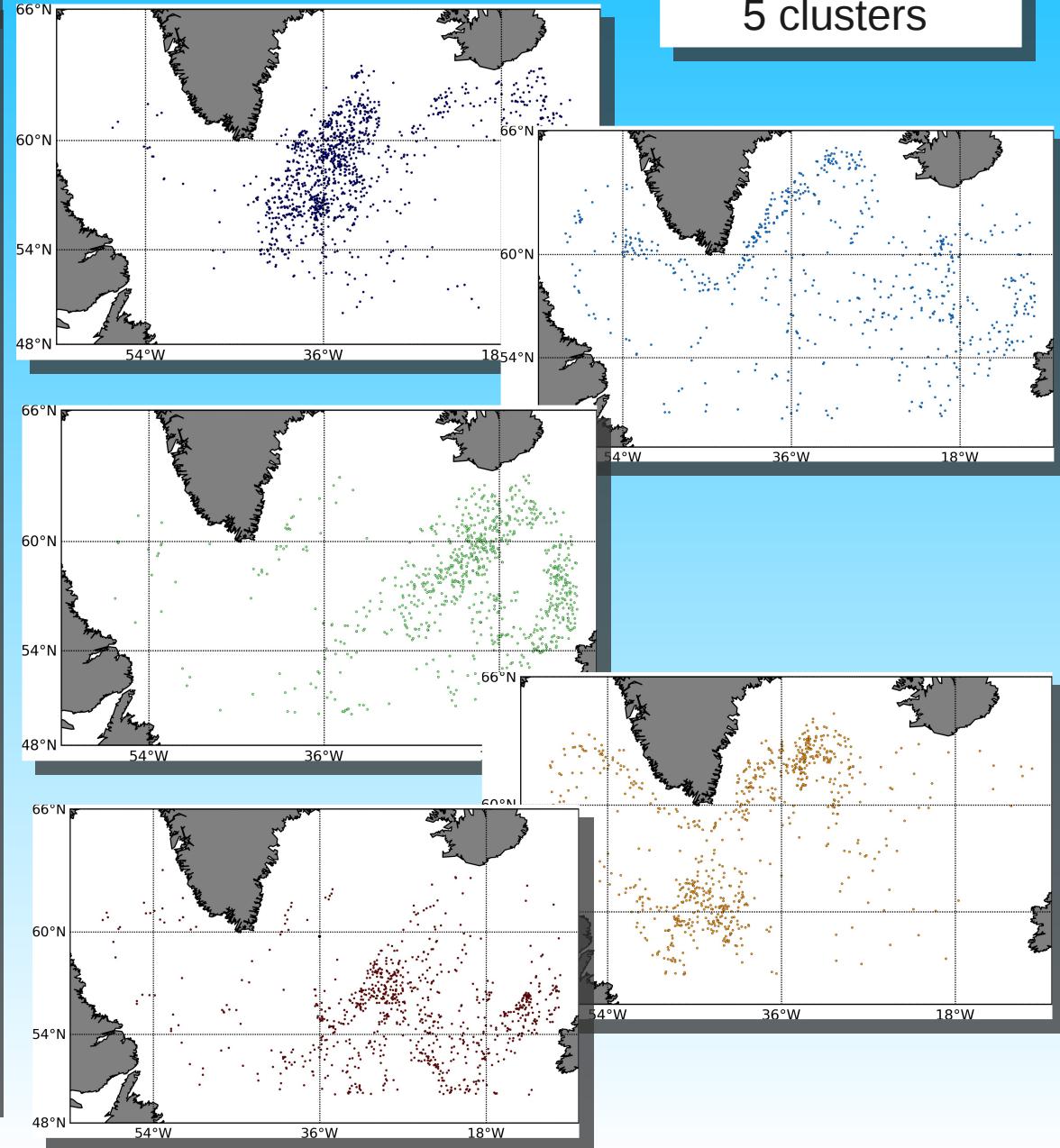
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Clustering

Mean time-series of each cluster

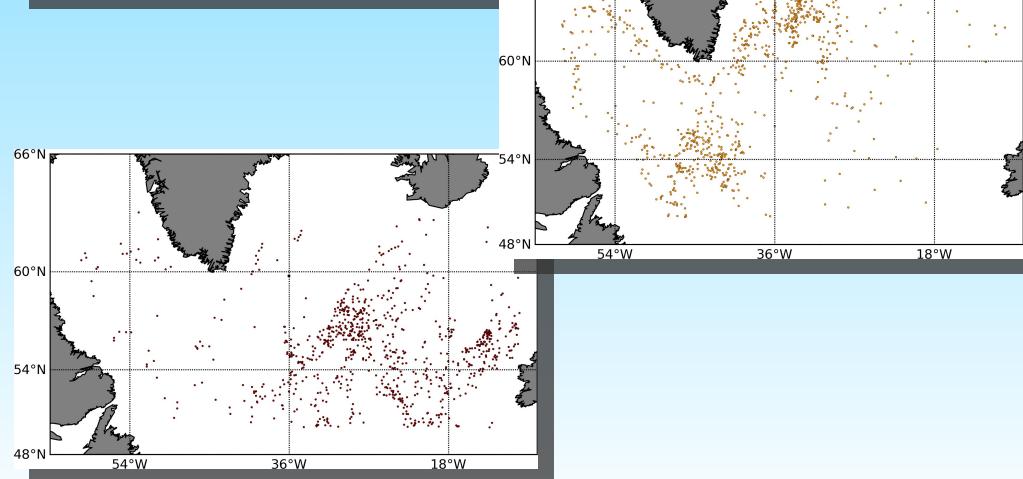
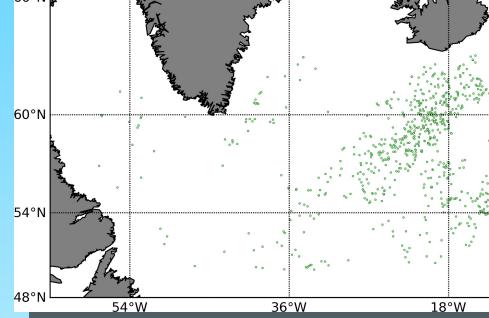
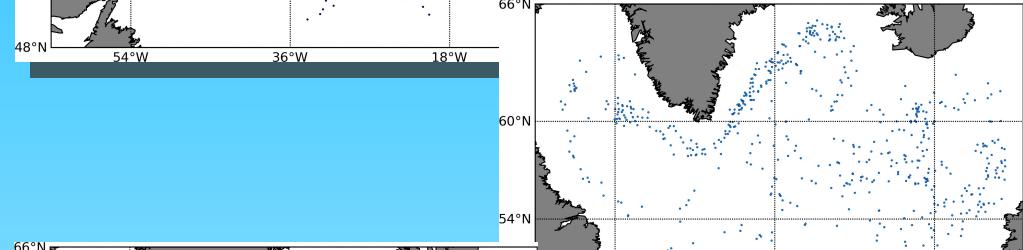
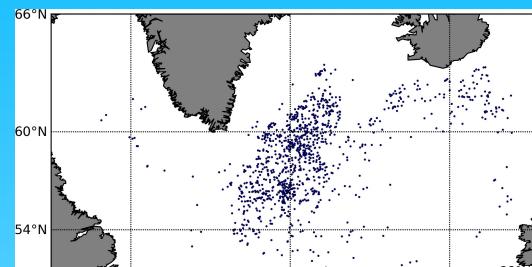
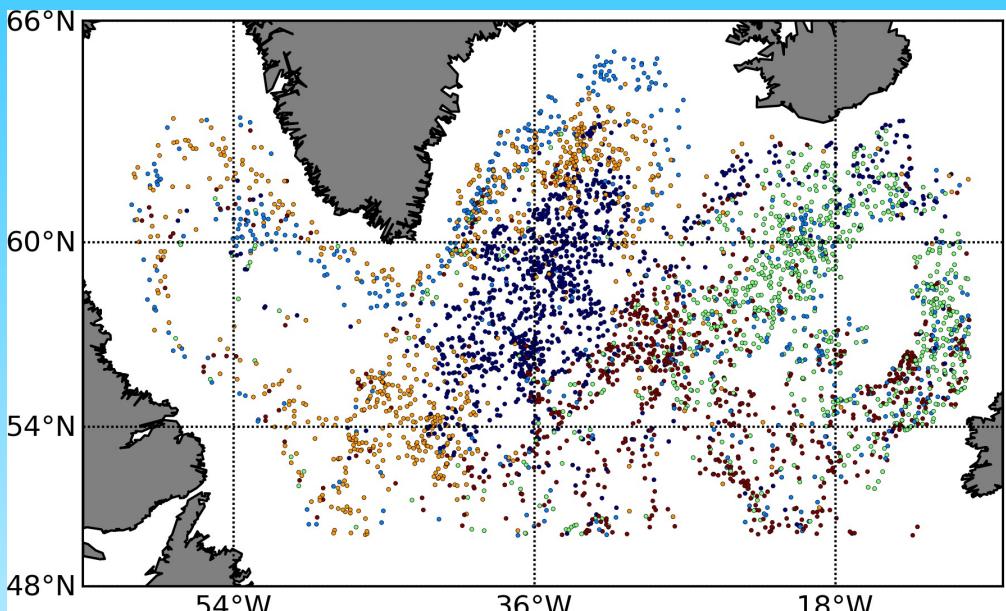


Modelled
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5 clusters



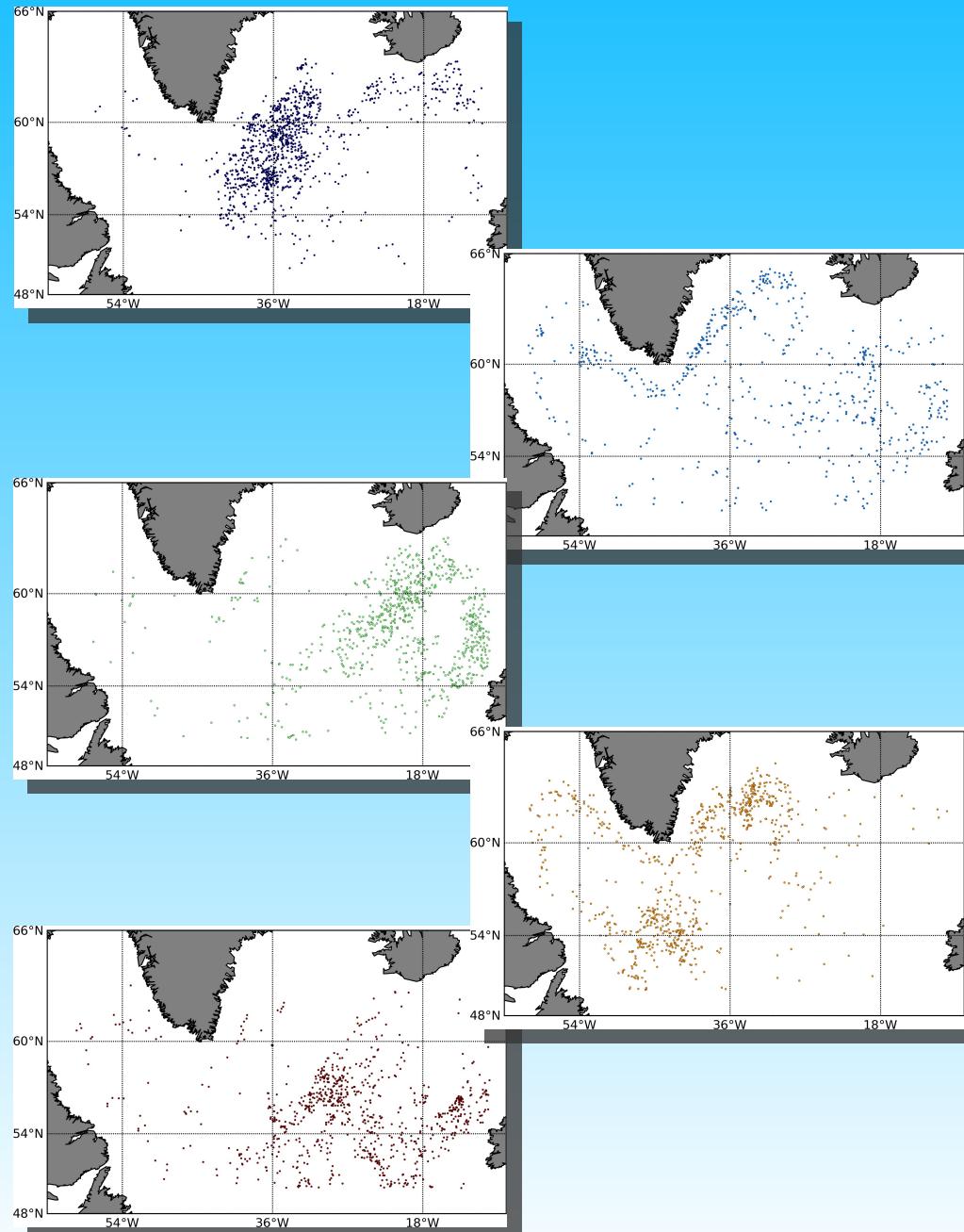
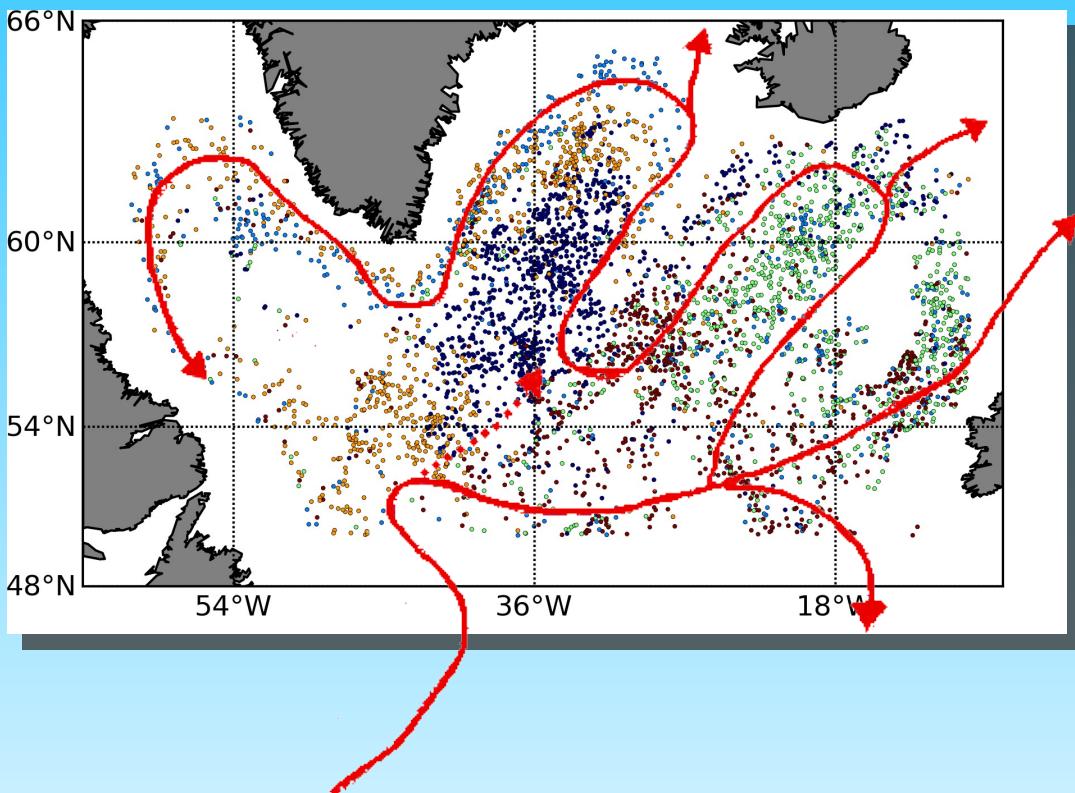
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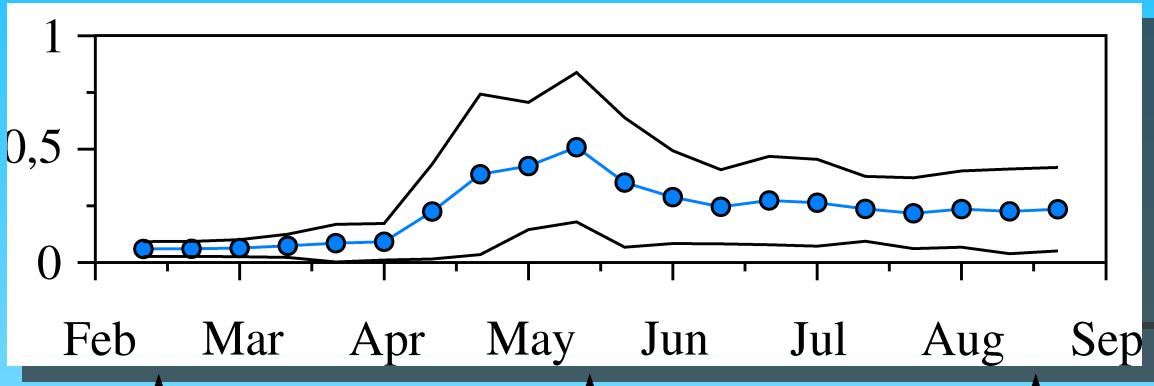


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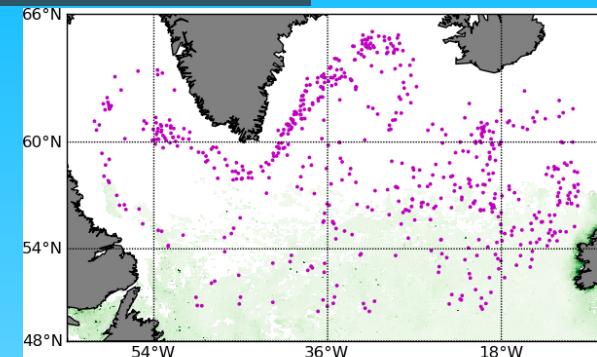
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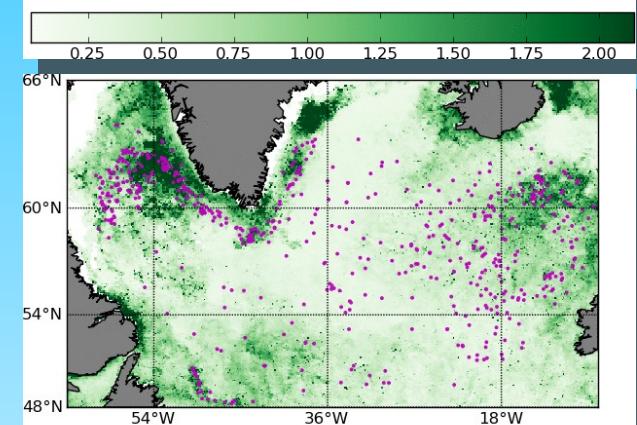
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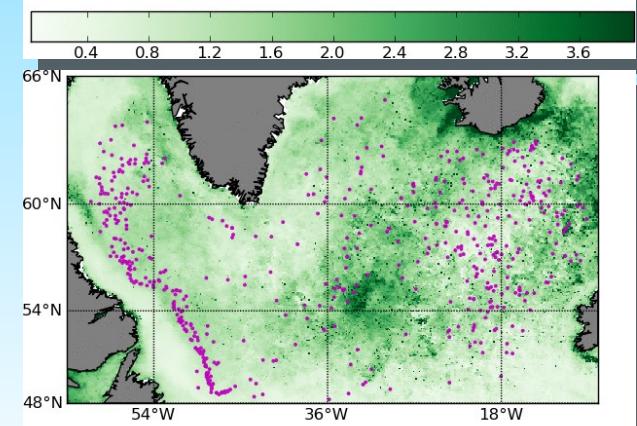
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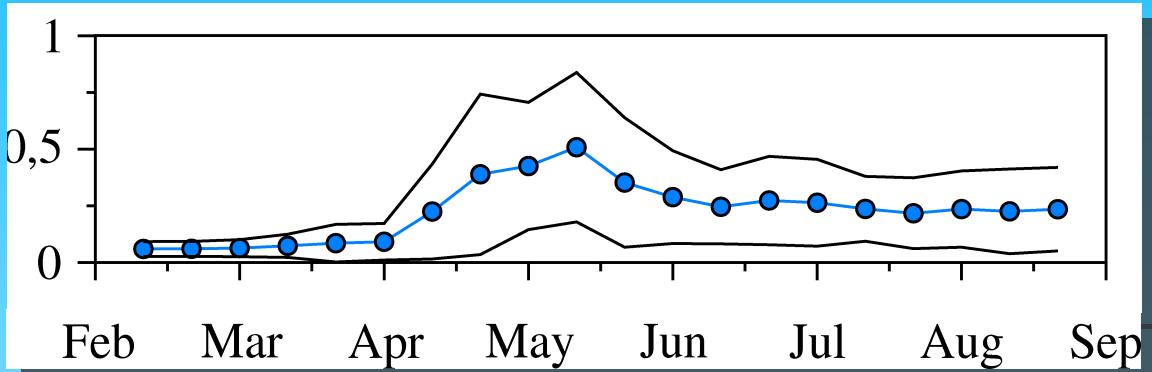
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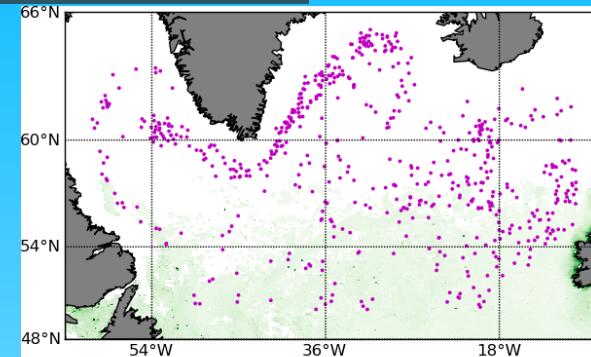
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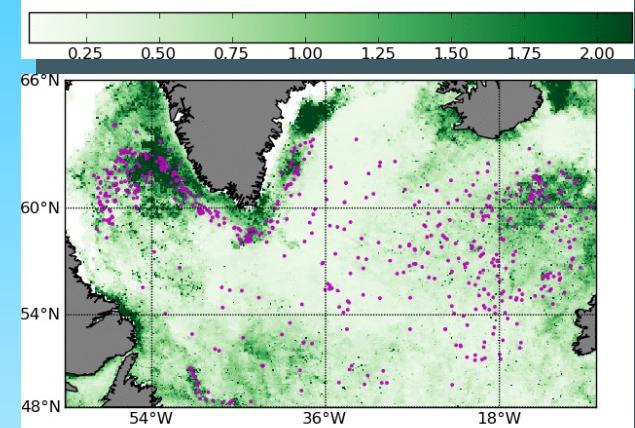
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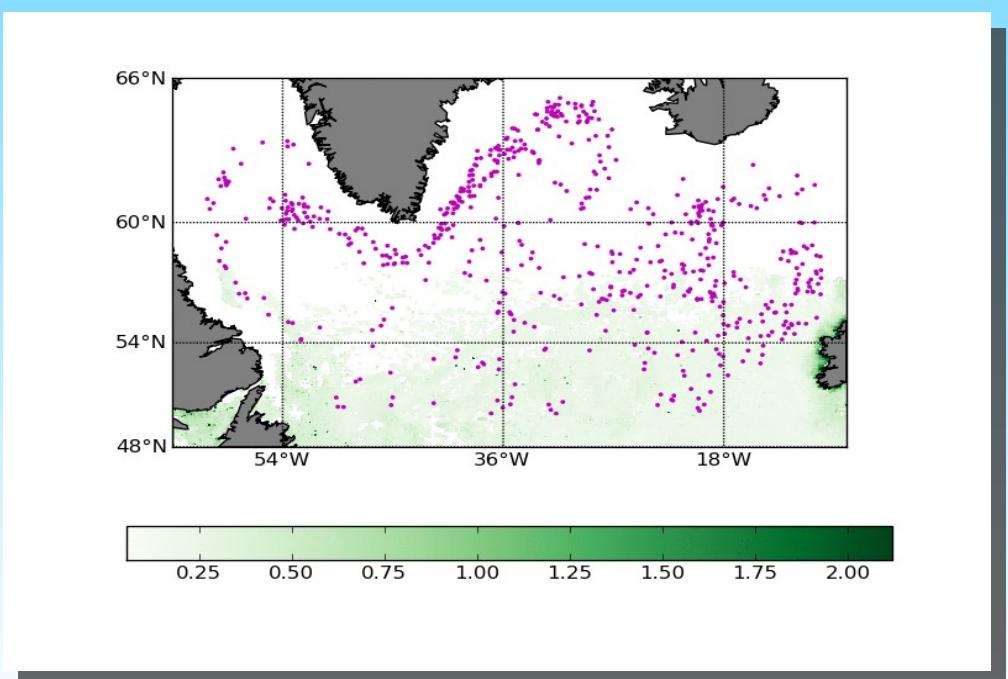
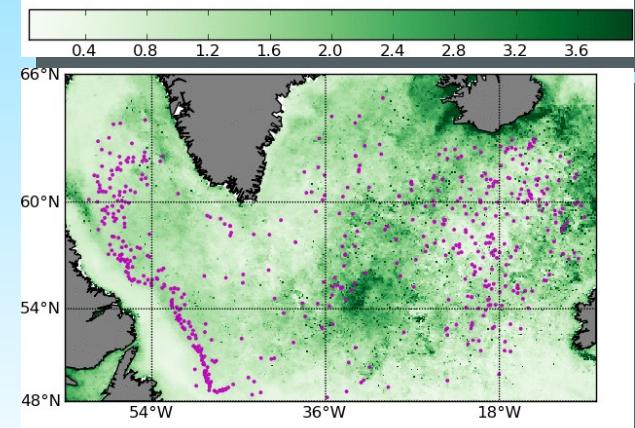
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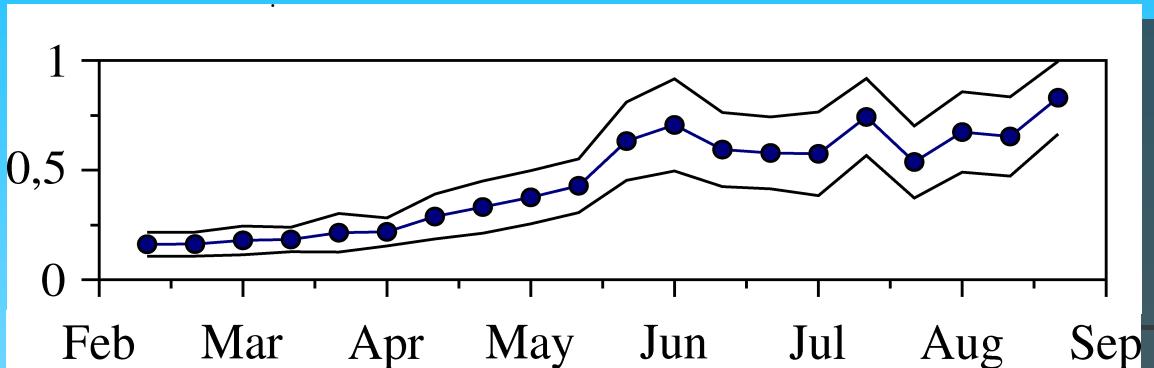
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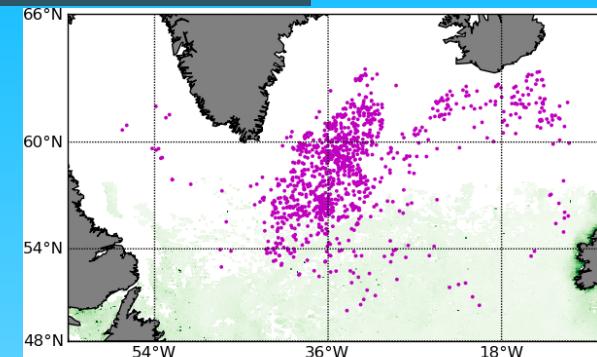
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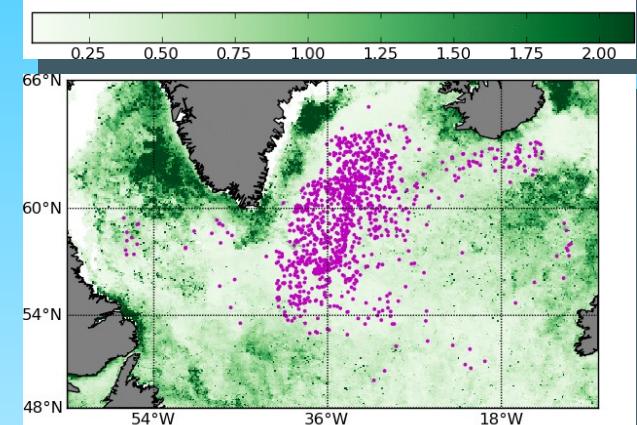
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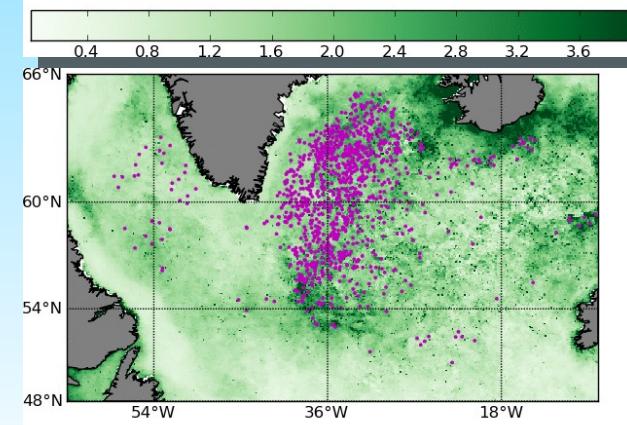
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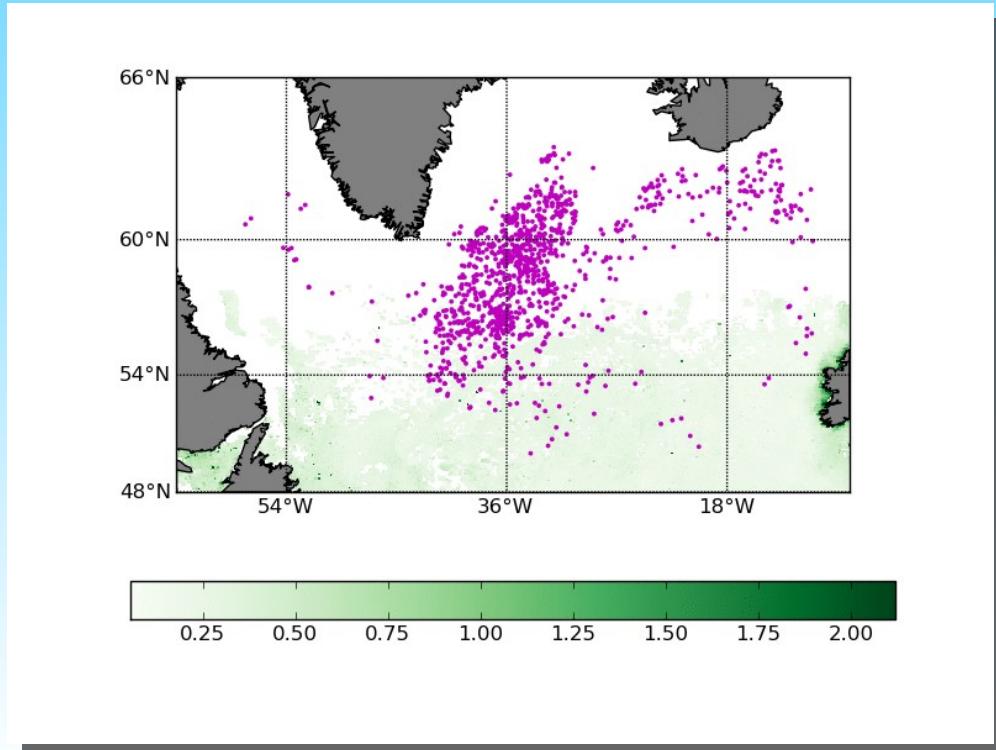
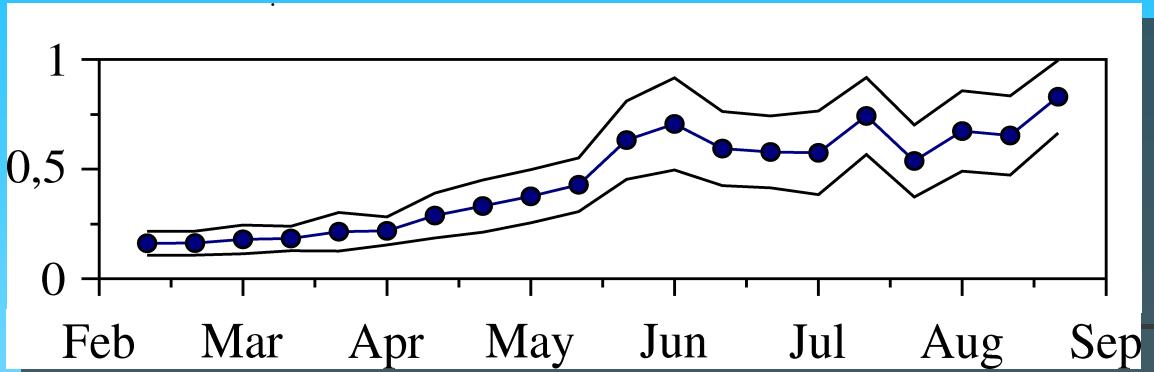
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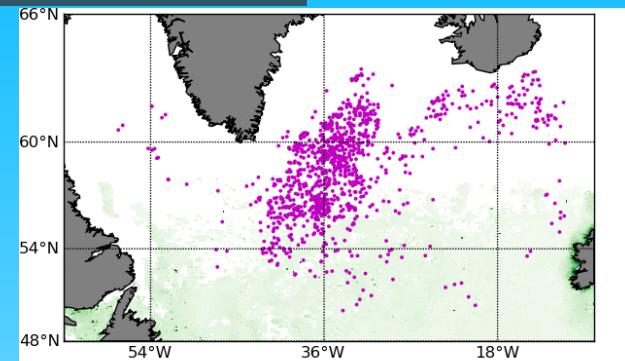
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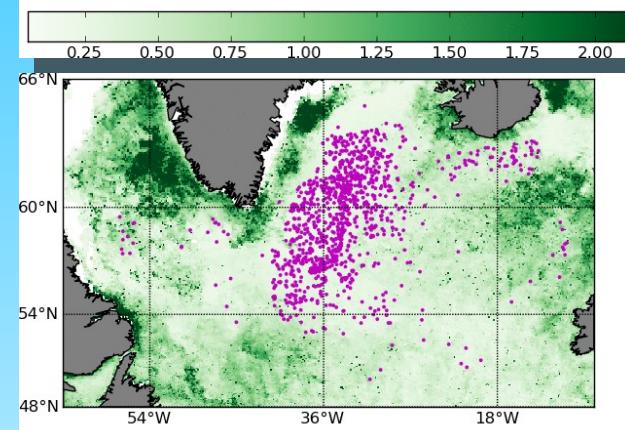
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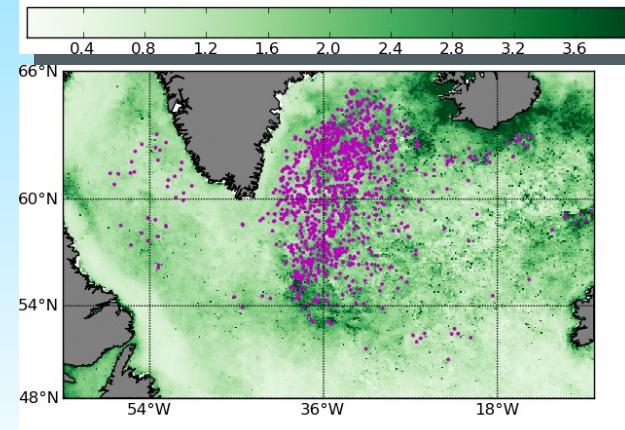
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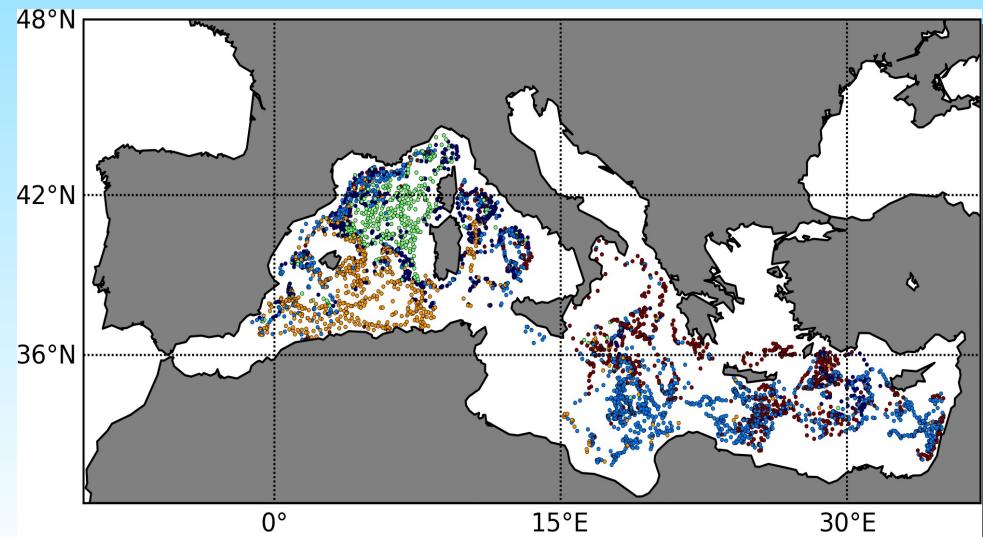
Conclusion

- **Set up of a methodology** to identity homogenous lagrangian bioregions
- **Coherent geographical structures** following large scale circulation :
→ already **some elements to decide** where and when deploy floats.
- **Optimisation** : X floats to sample the gyre, X floats to sample the jet

Not shown here ... :

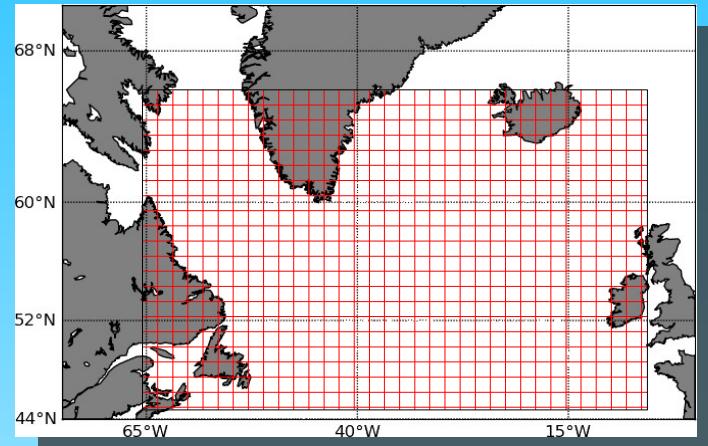
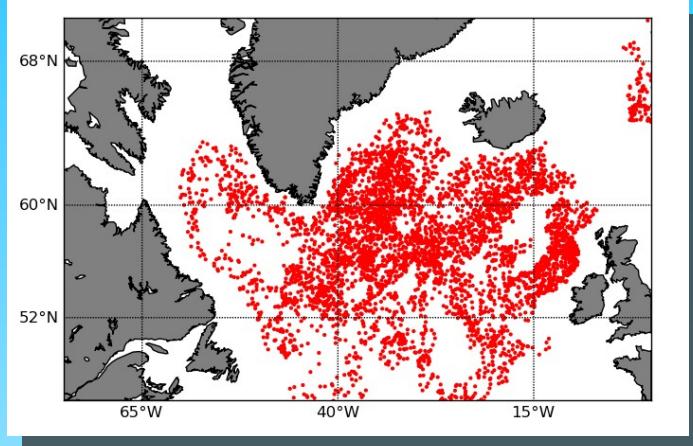
Cluster comparisons for **real and modelled trajectories**, good agreement.

Applicable to any location in the ocean
(ex : Mediterranean sea)



Perspectives

- **Extrapolation** of the method **to the full model grid** to fill up exclusion area

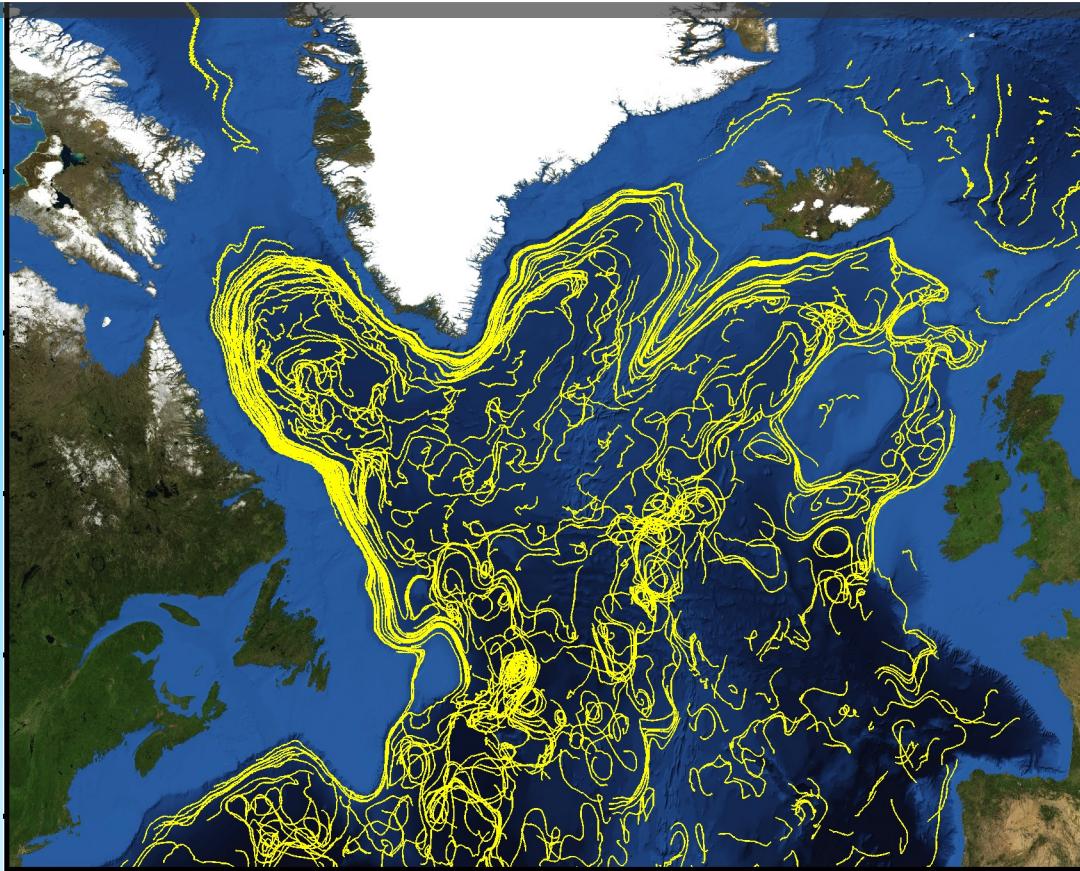


- Current and future deployment : **will they fulfill expectations ?**
→ *real time monitoring*

... Coming next :

- **Observing system simulation experiments (OSSE)**, sequential data assimilation framework

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Thank
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