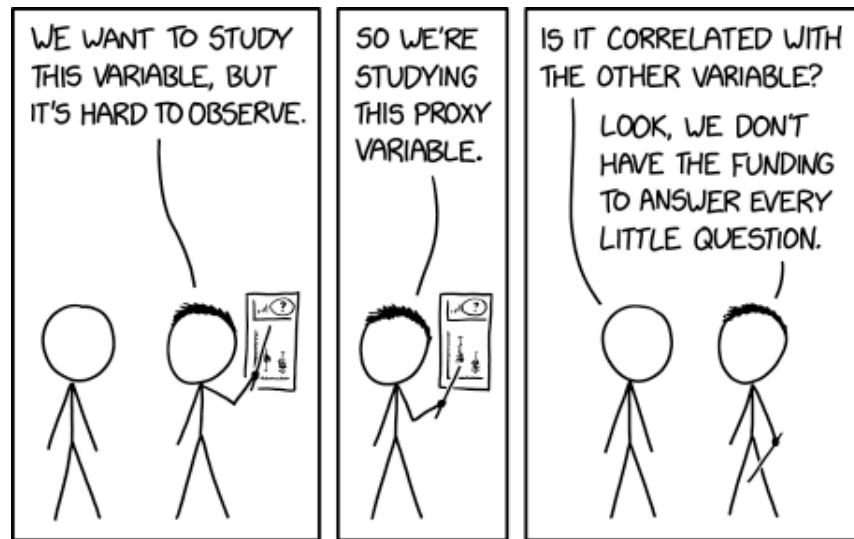




Satellite observations of deep ocean currents



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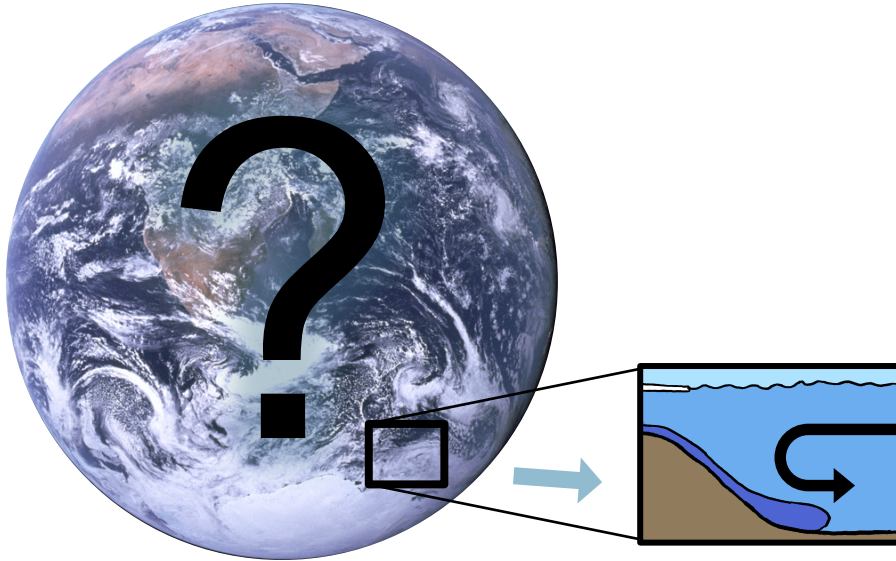


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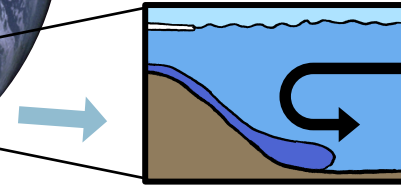
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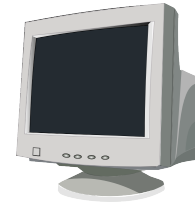
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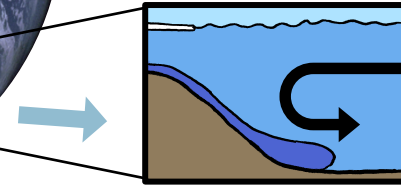
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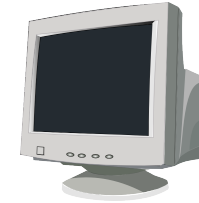
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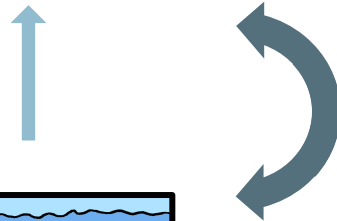
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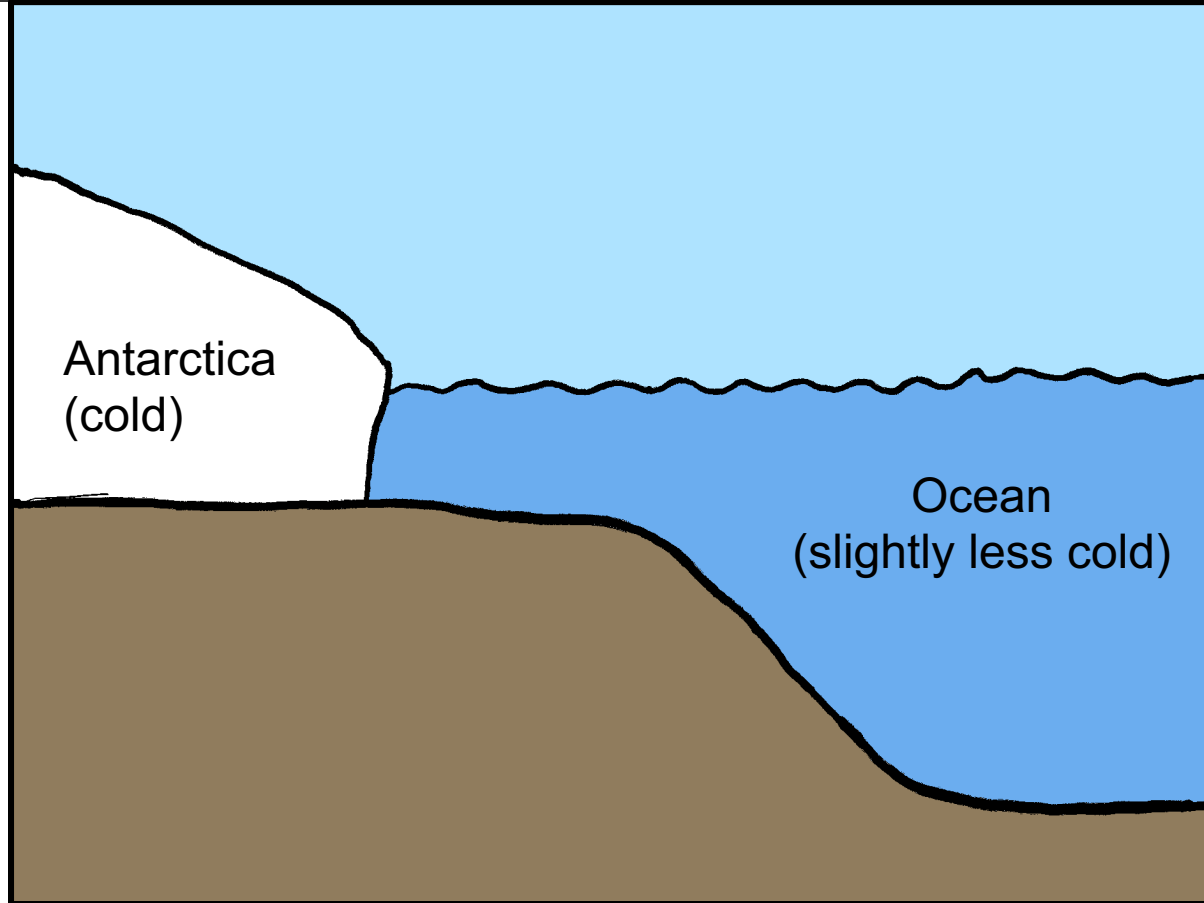
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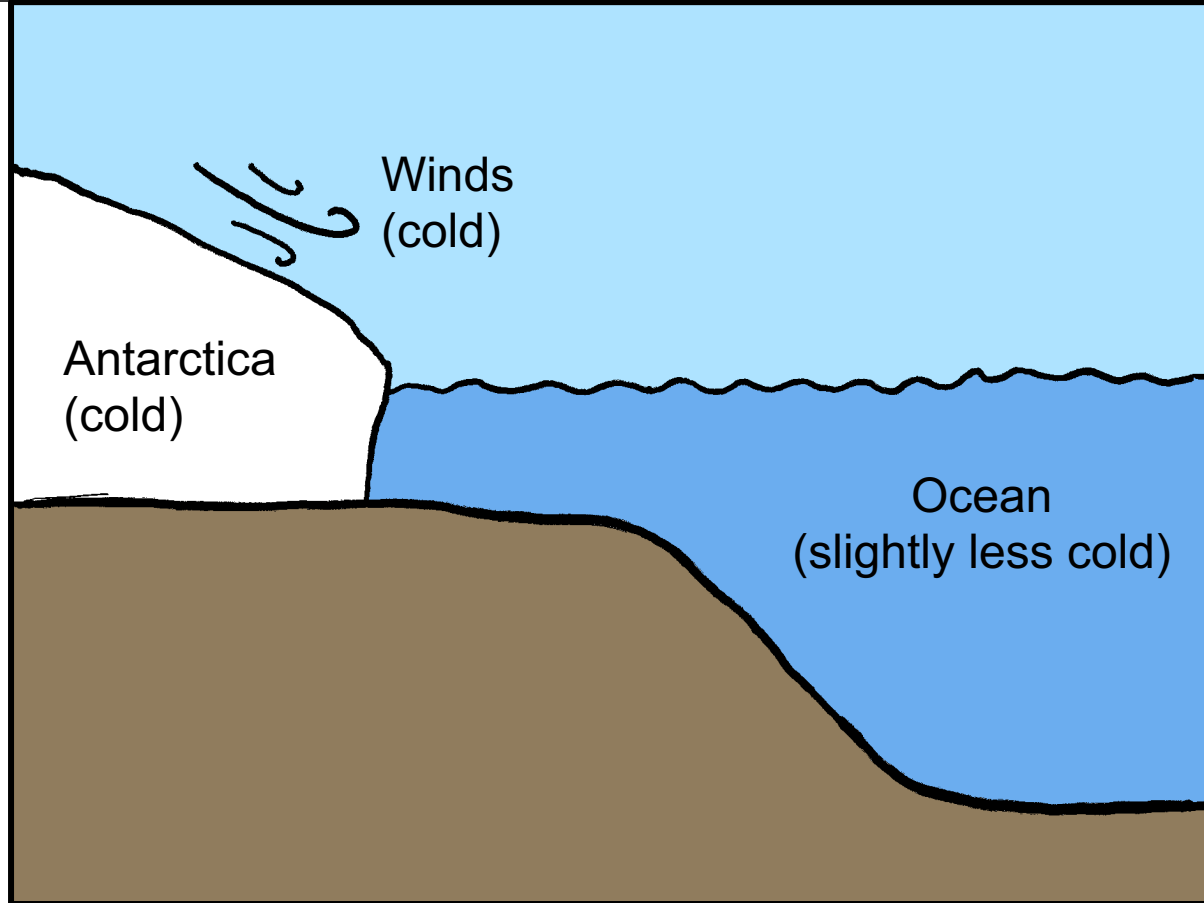
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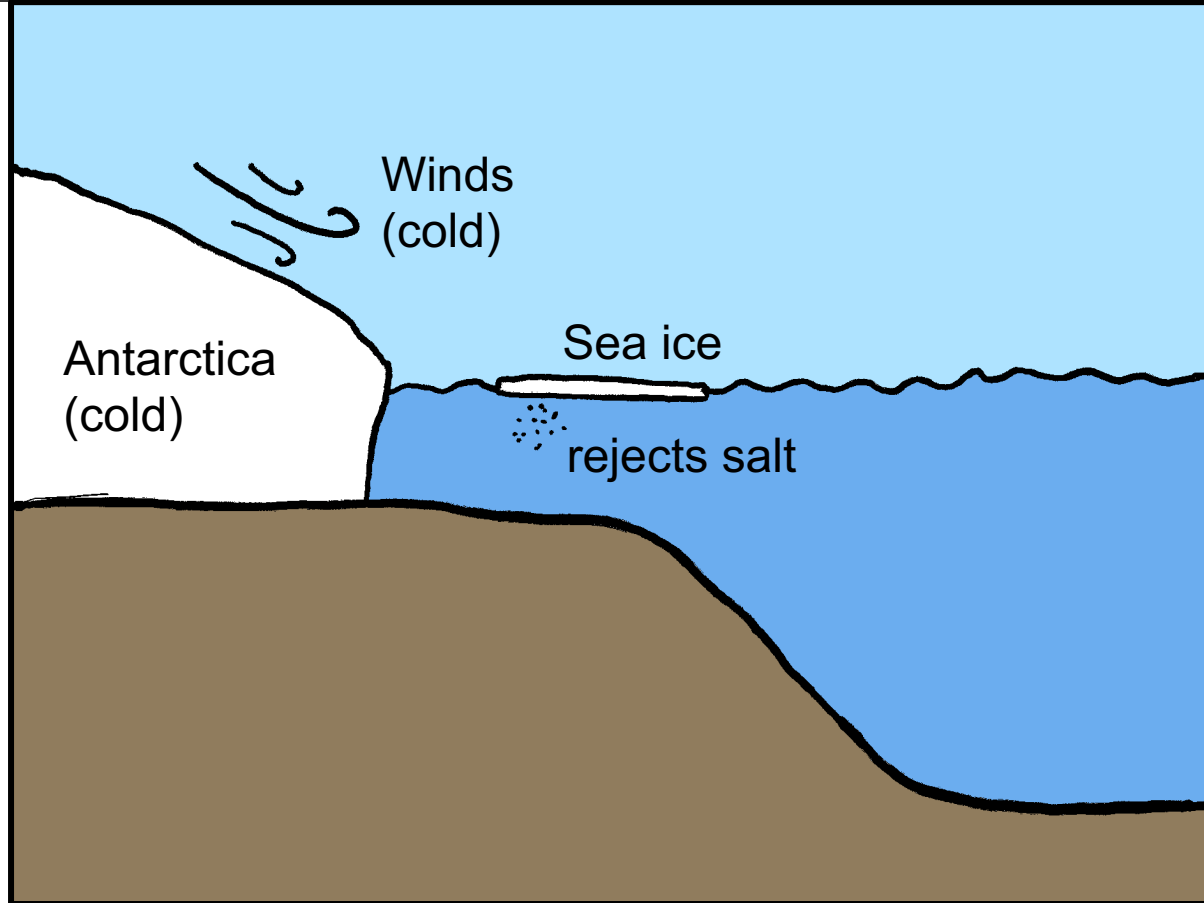
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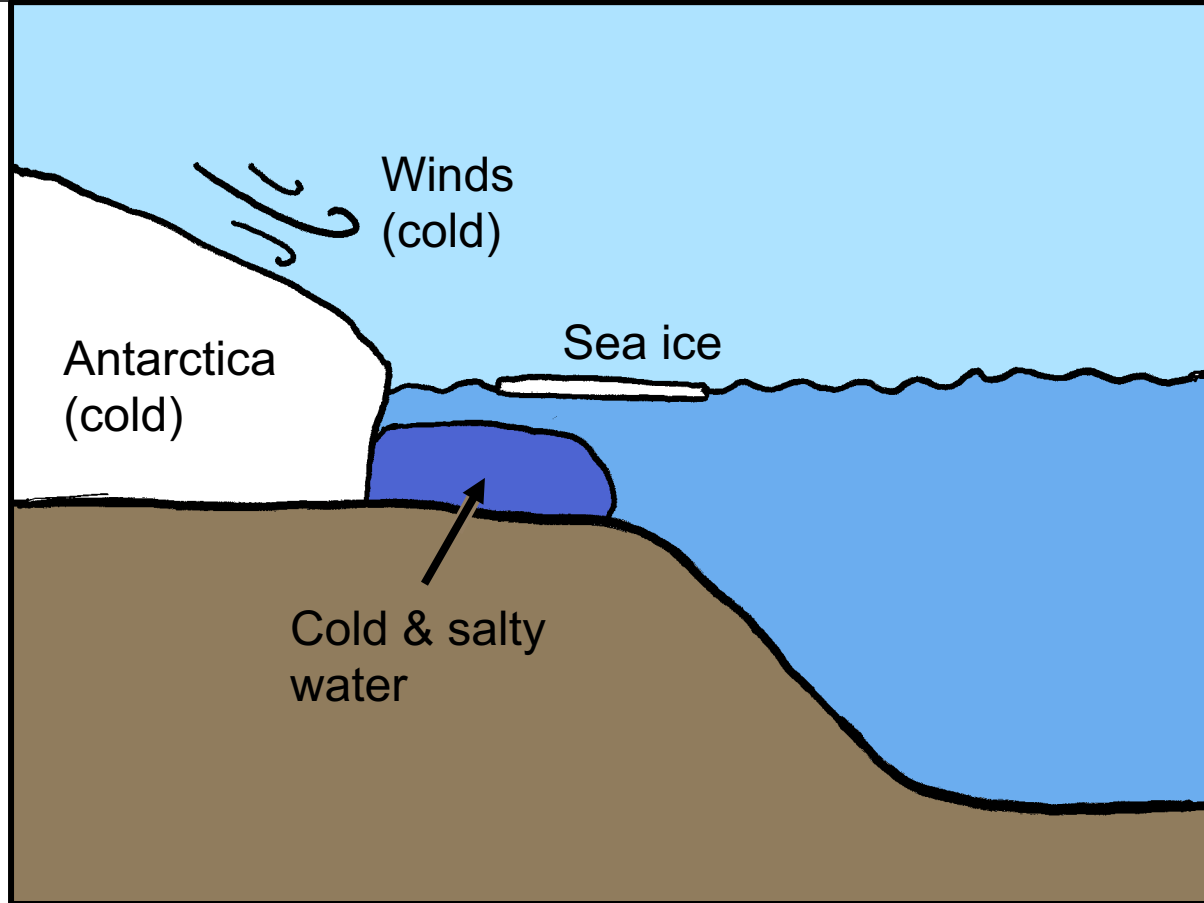
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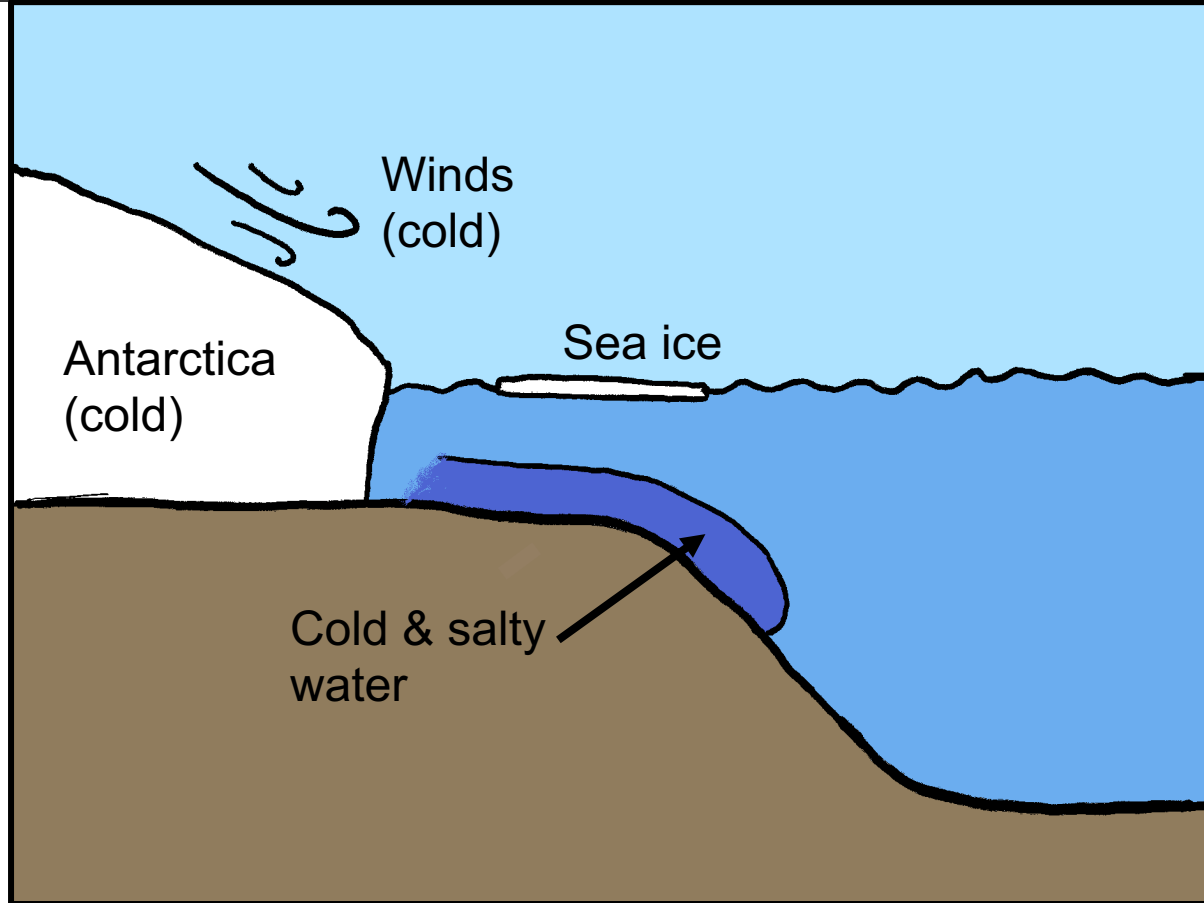
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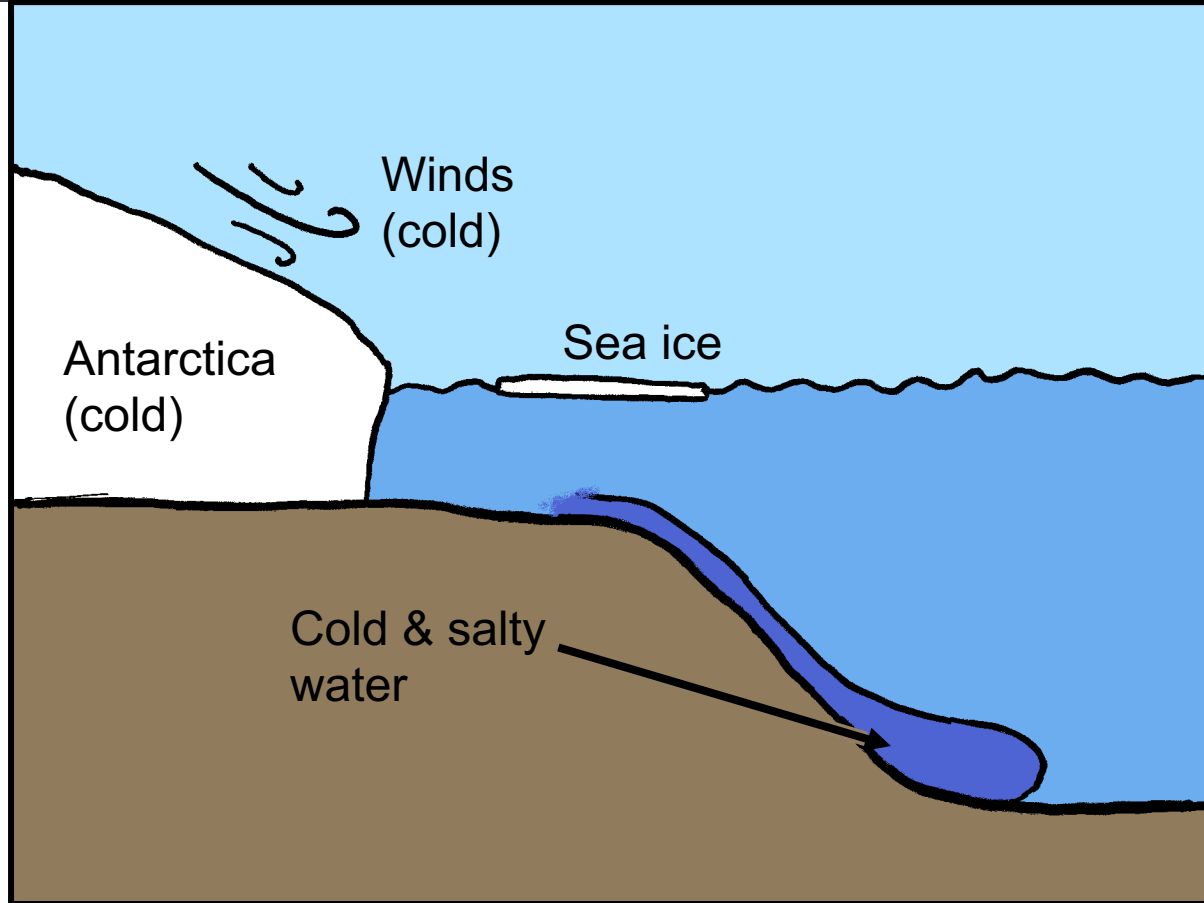
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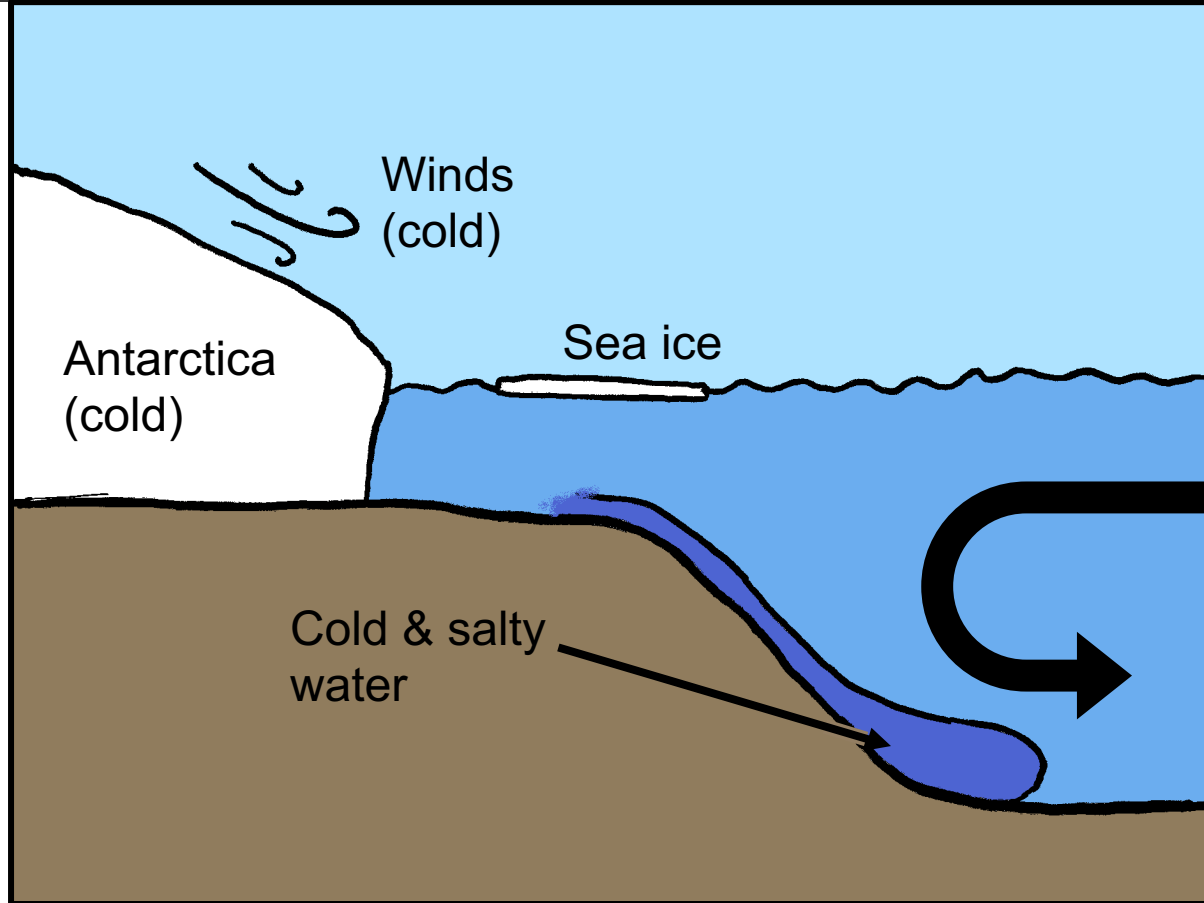


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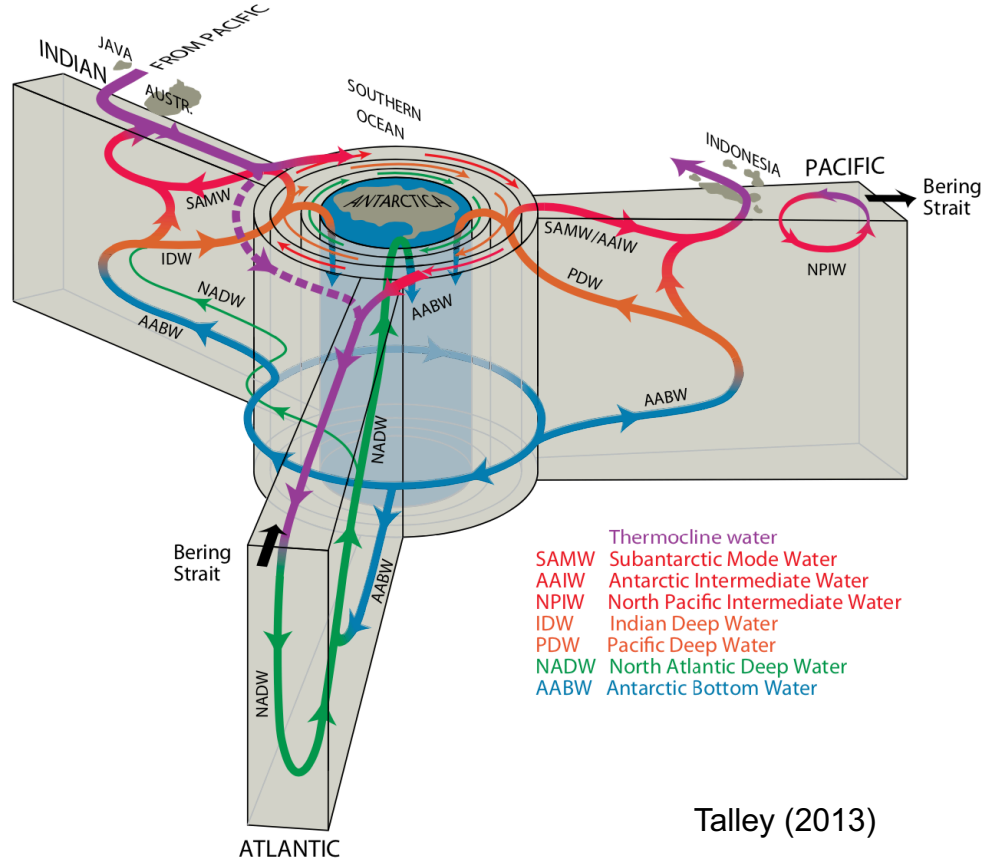


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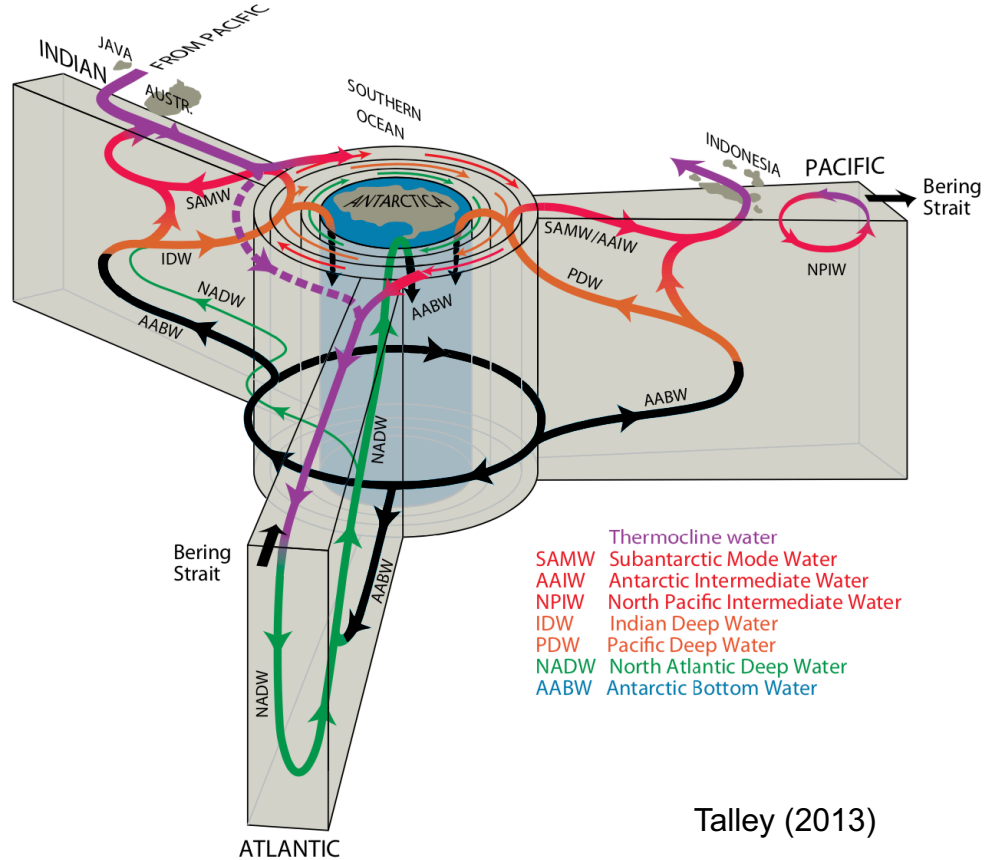
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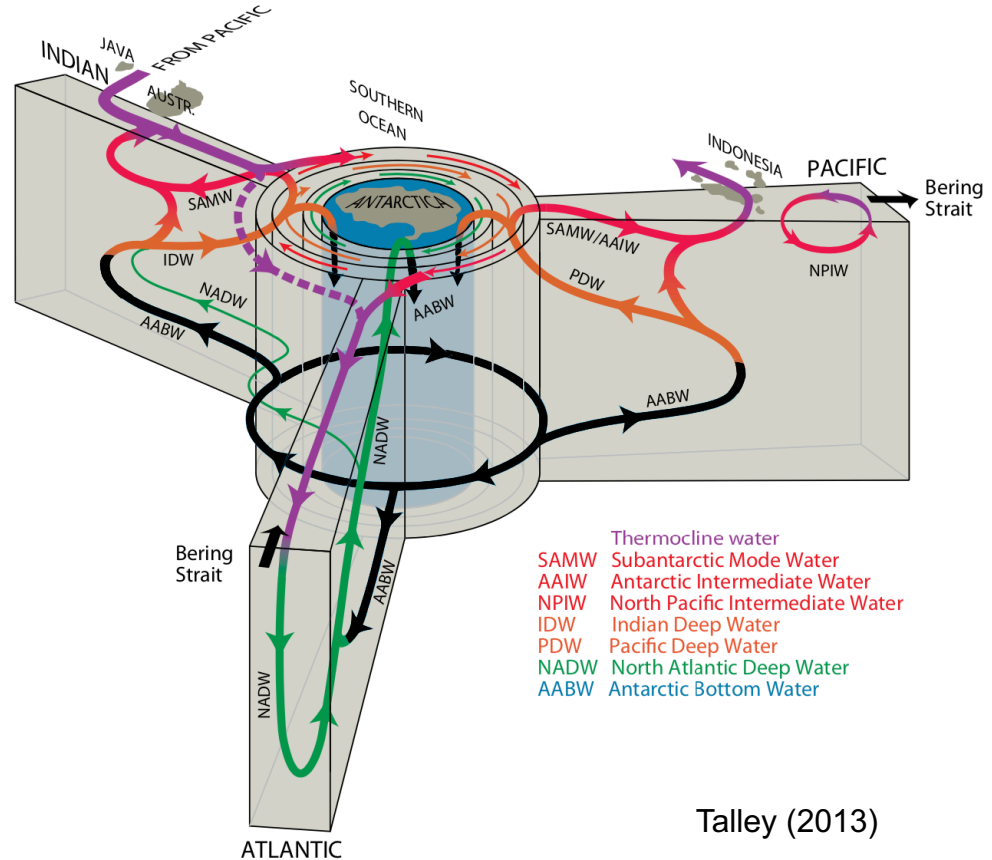




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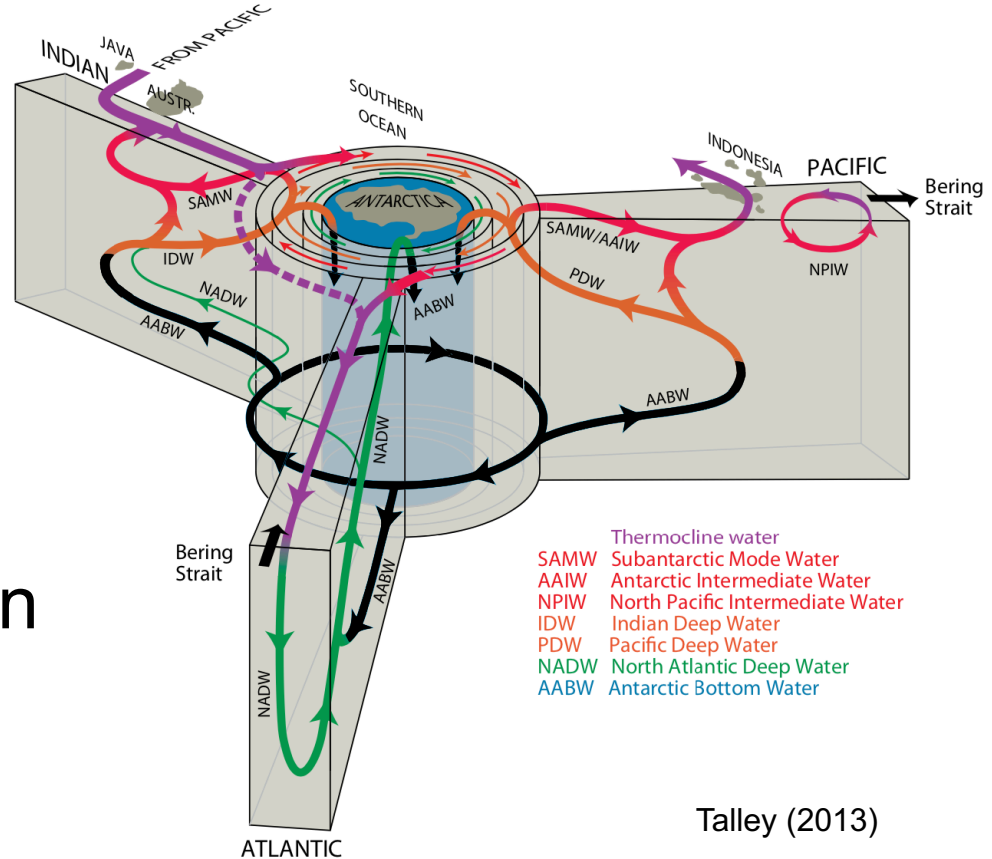


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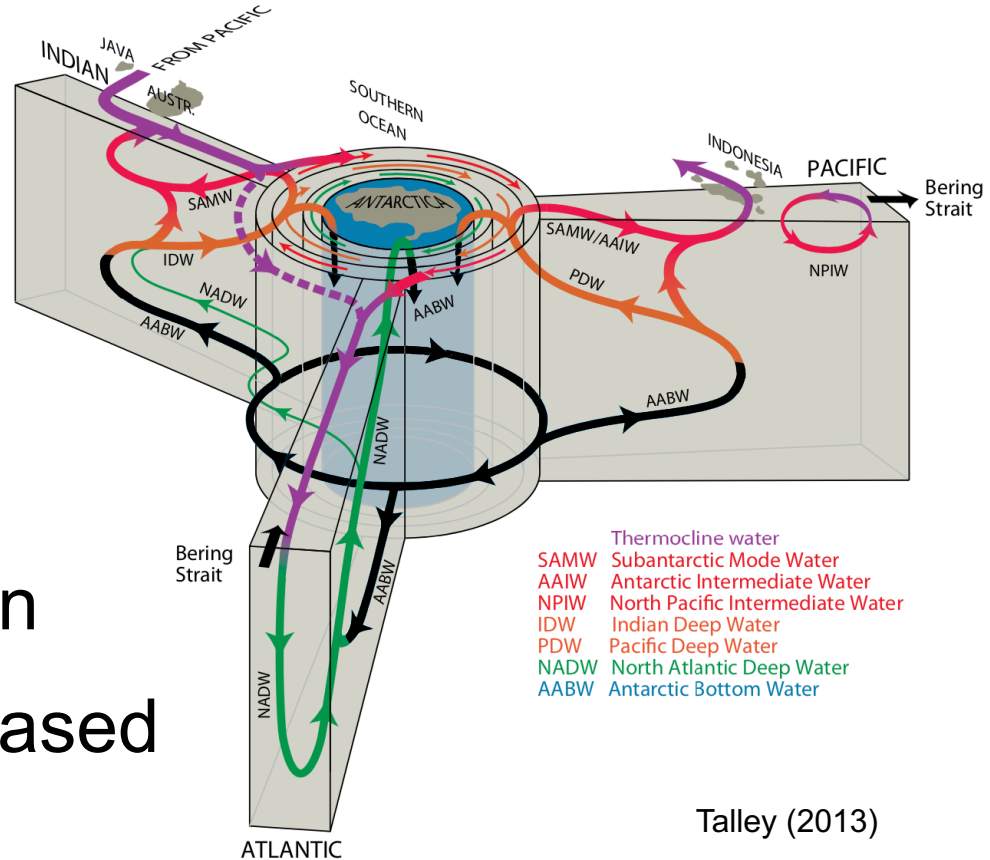


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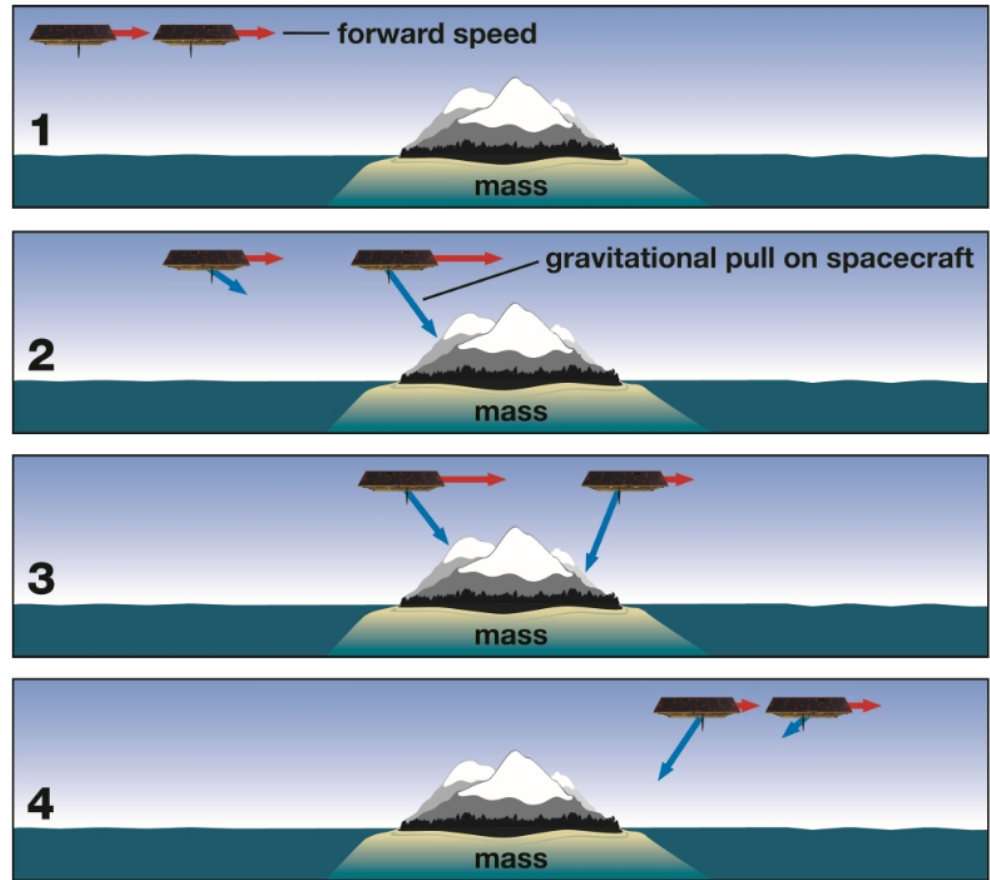
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GRACE mission

(Gravity Recovery
and Climate
Experiment)

- Measures mass anomalies



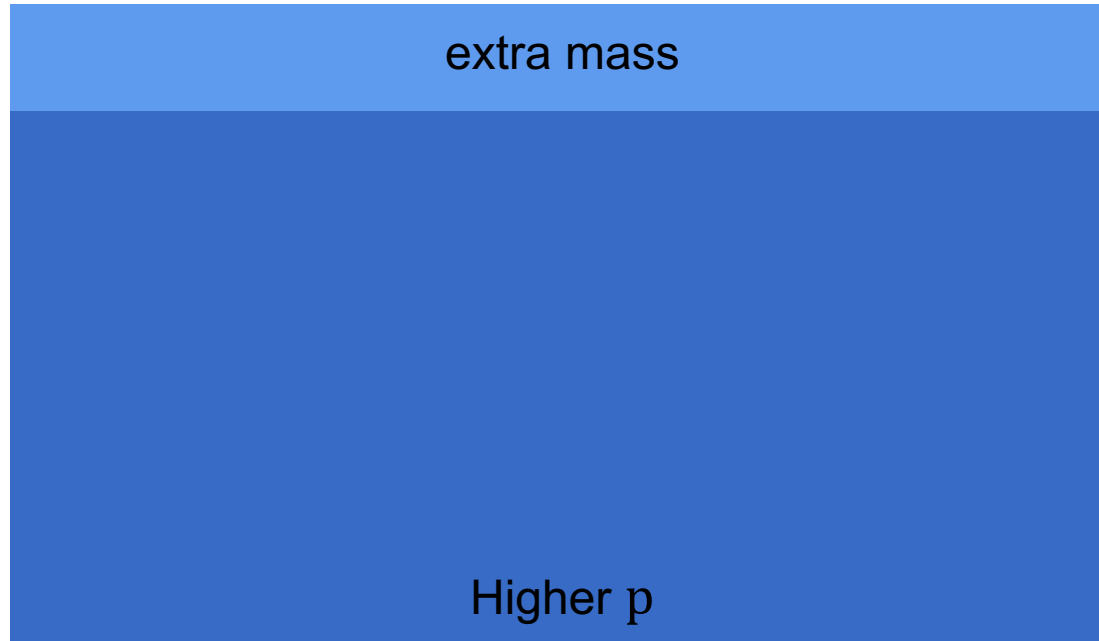


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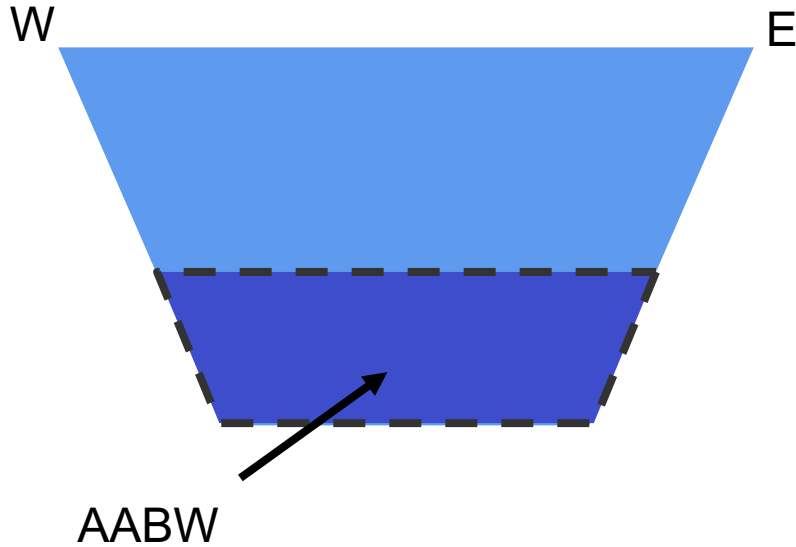


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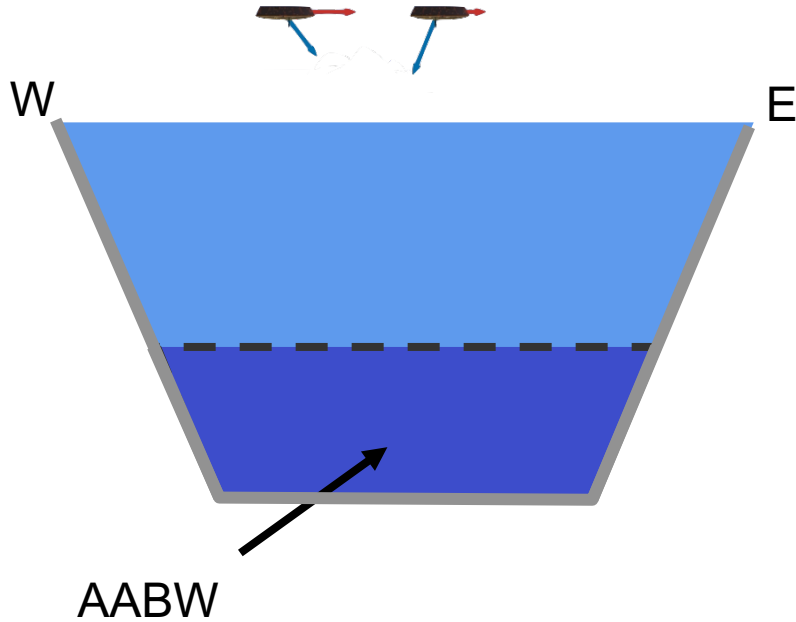


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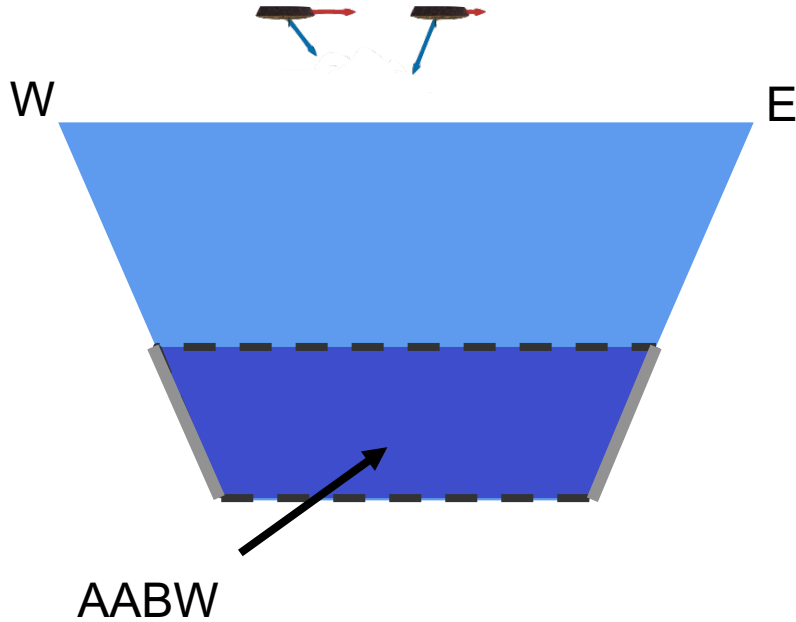


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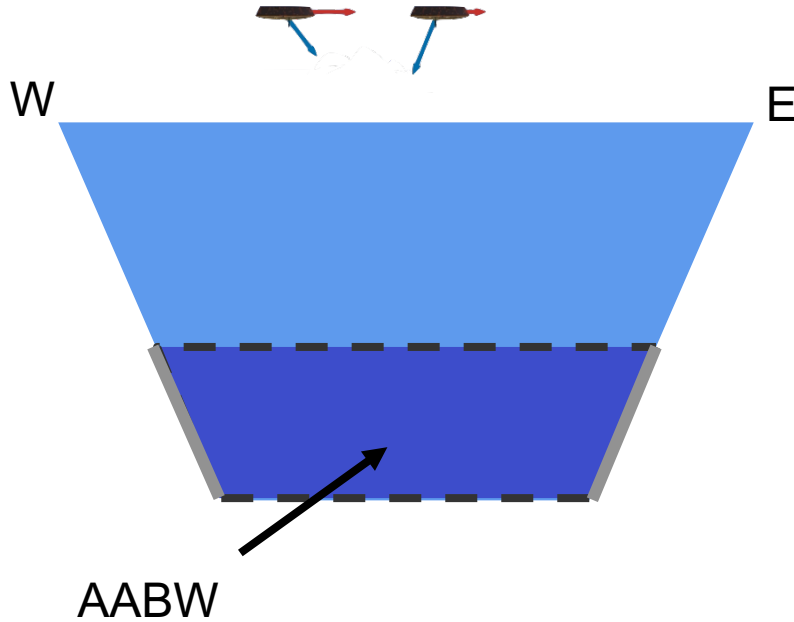




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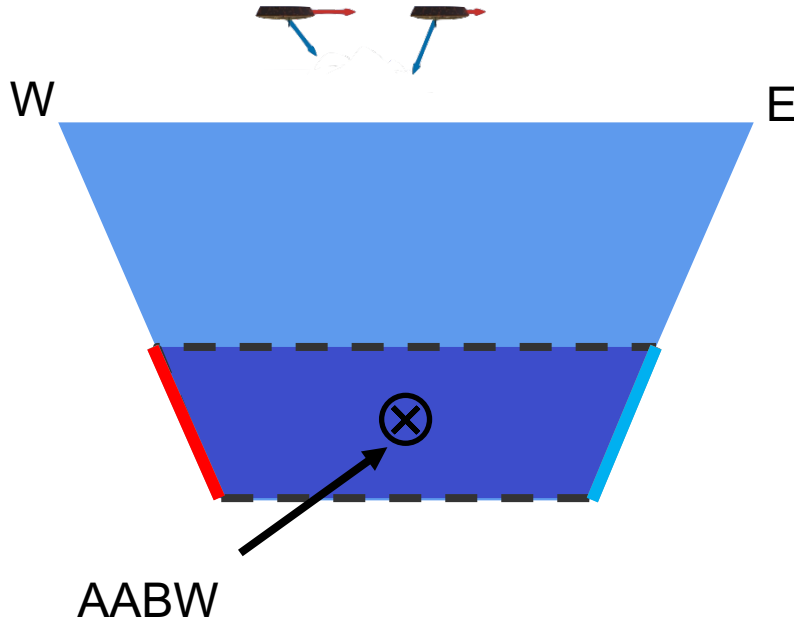
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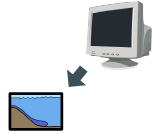
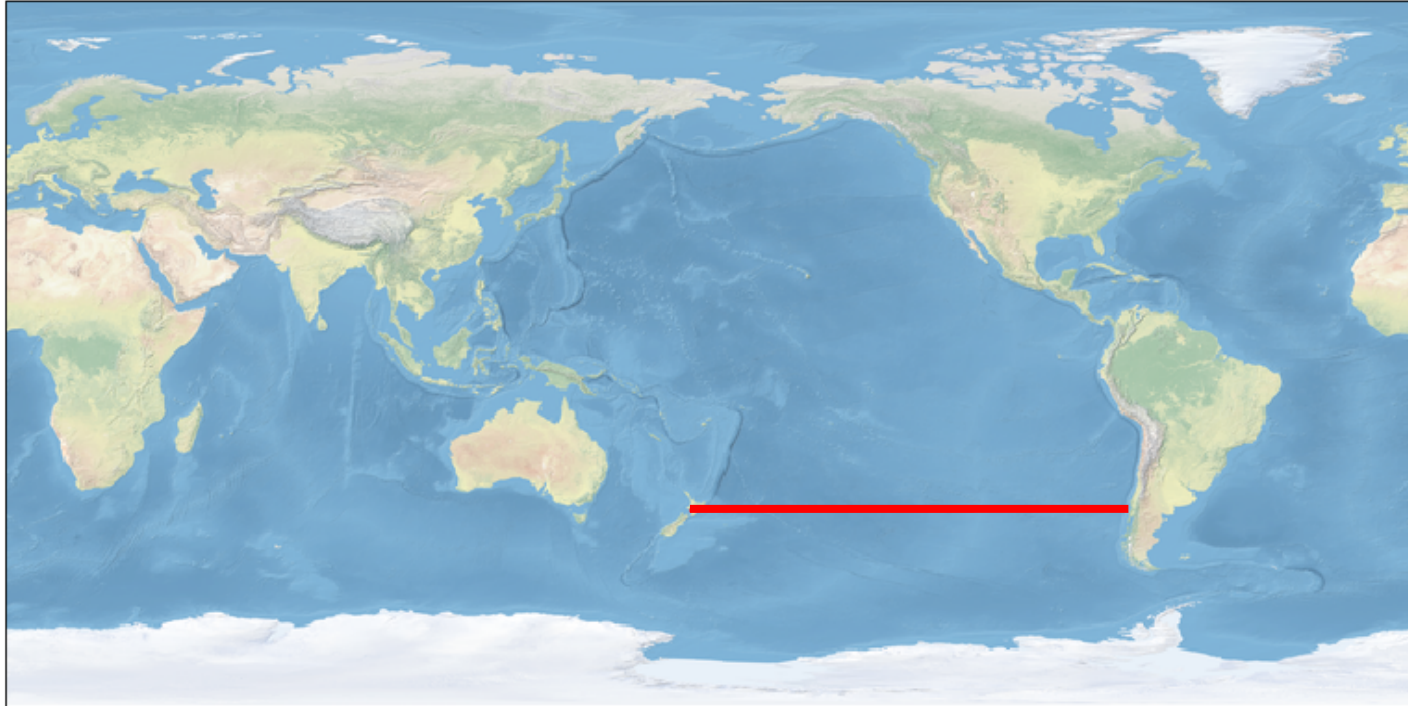
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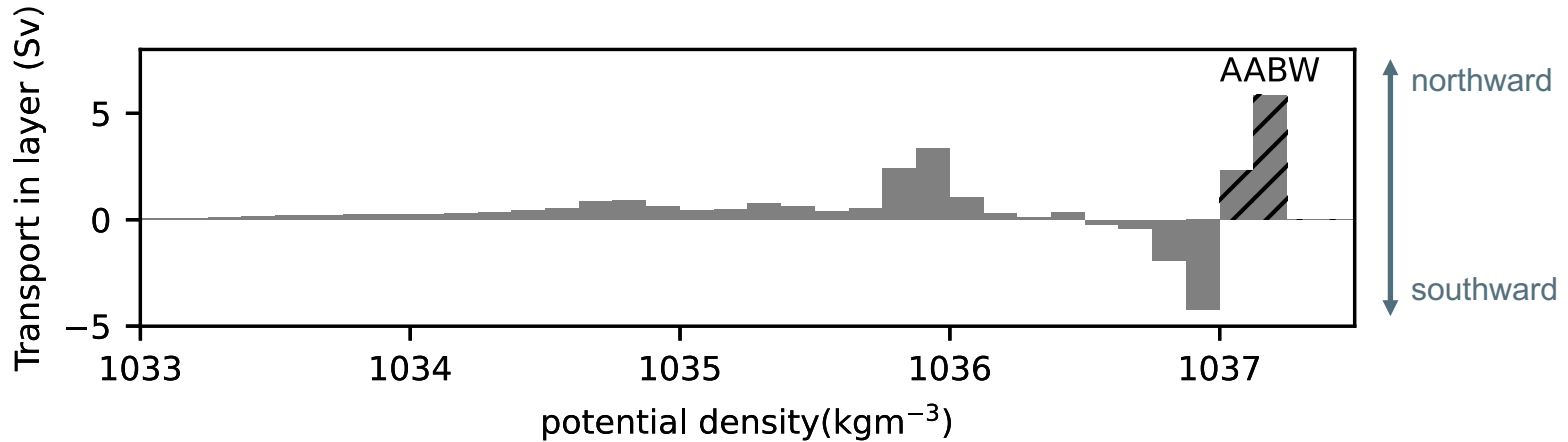
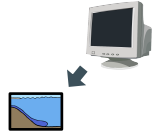
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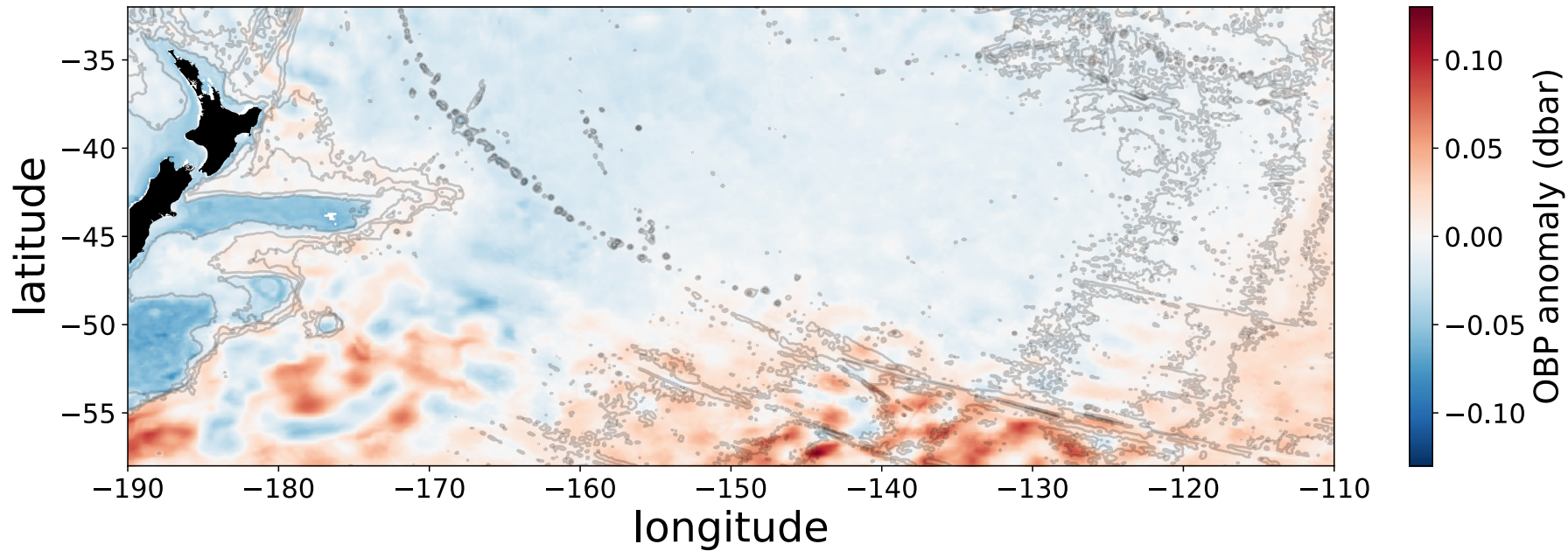
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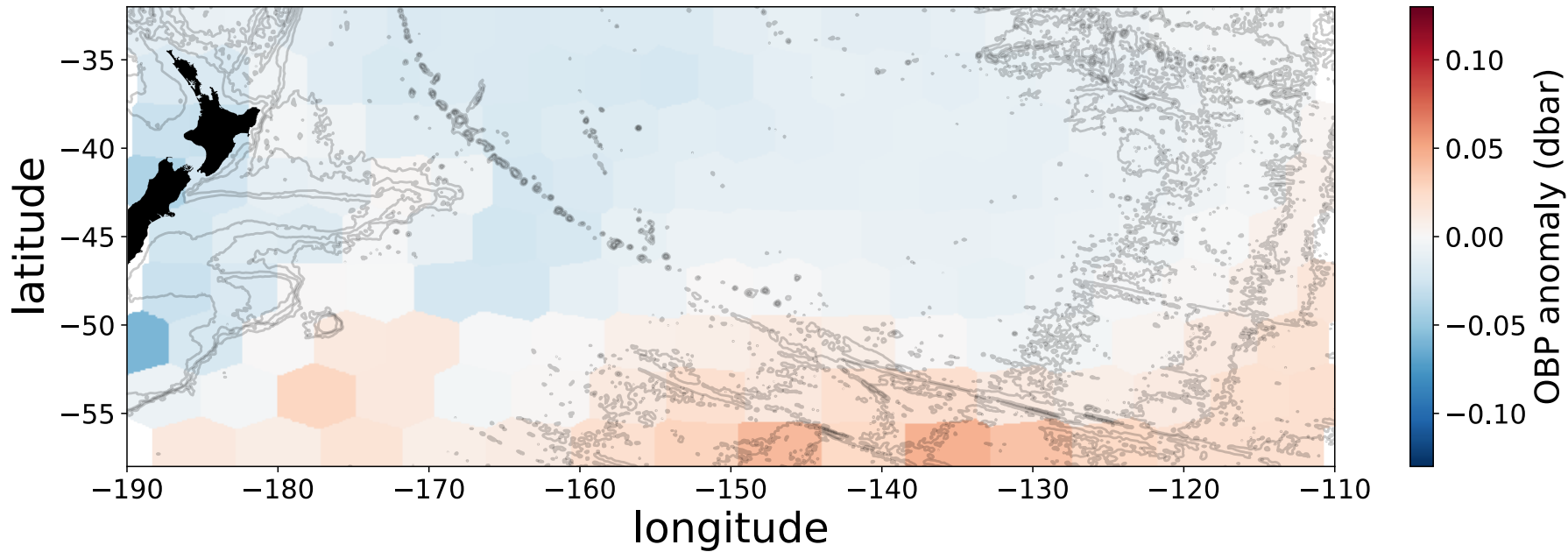
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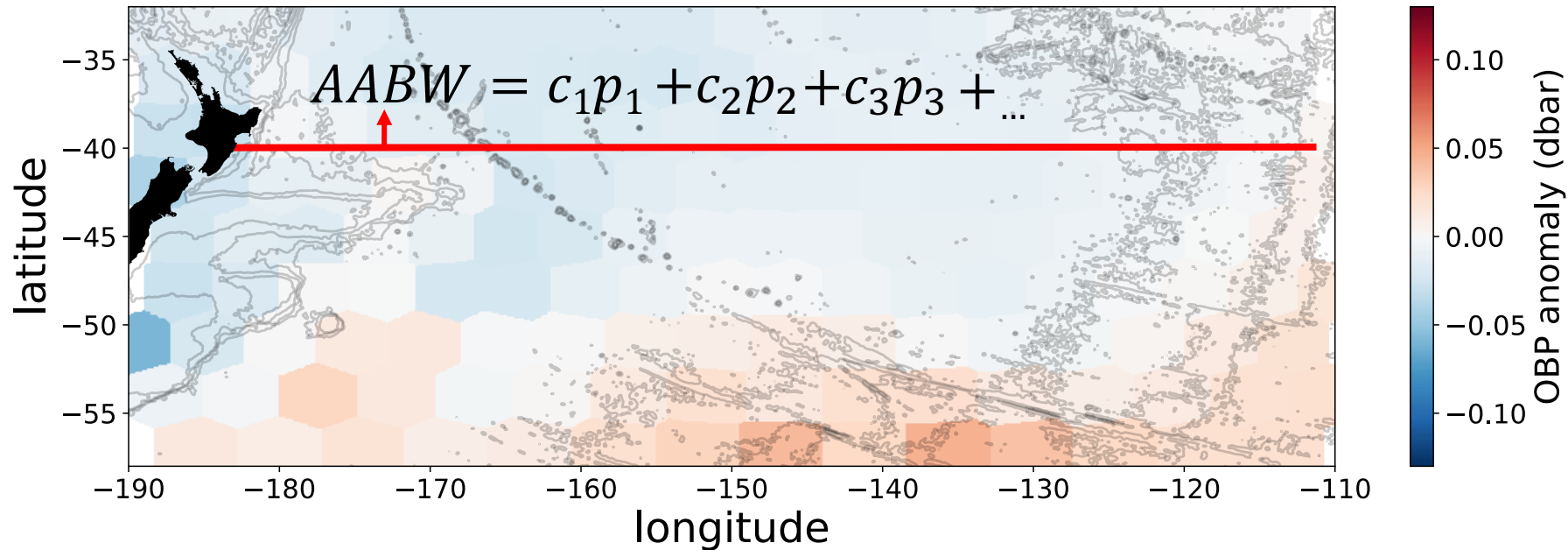
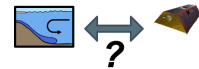
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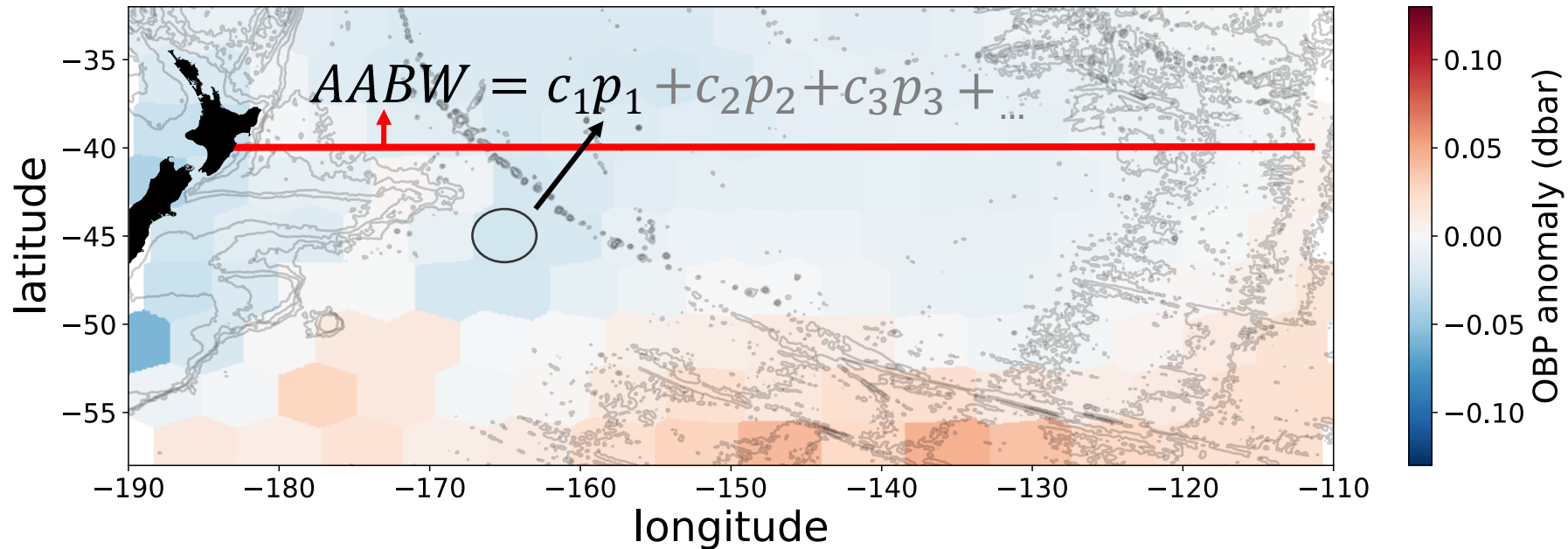
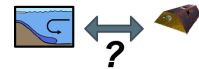
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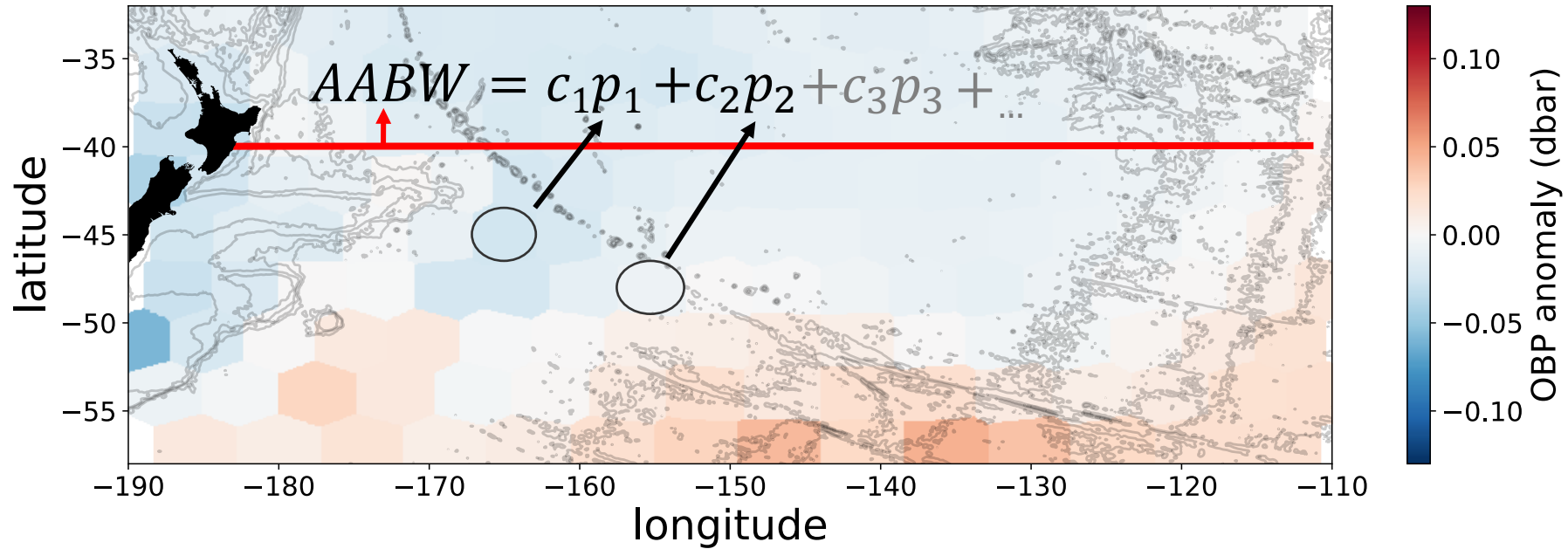
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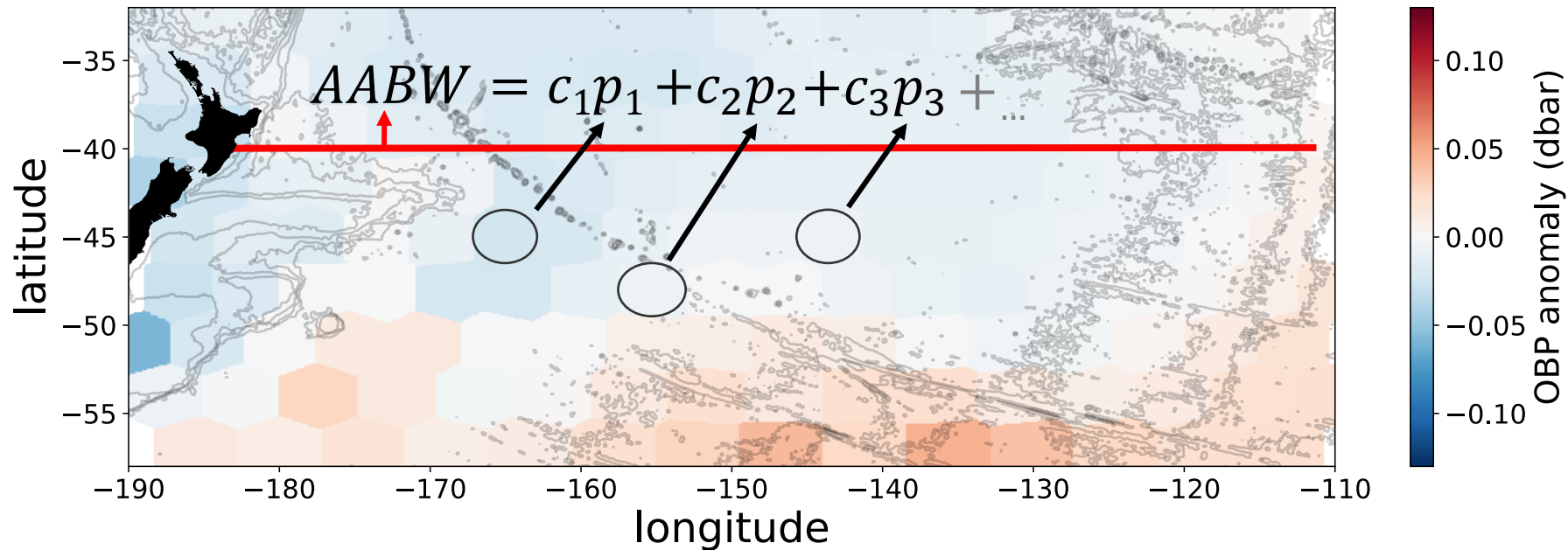
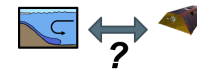
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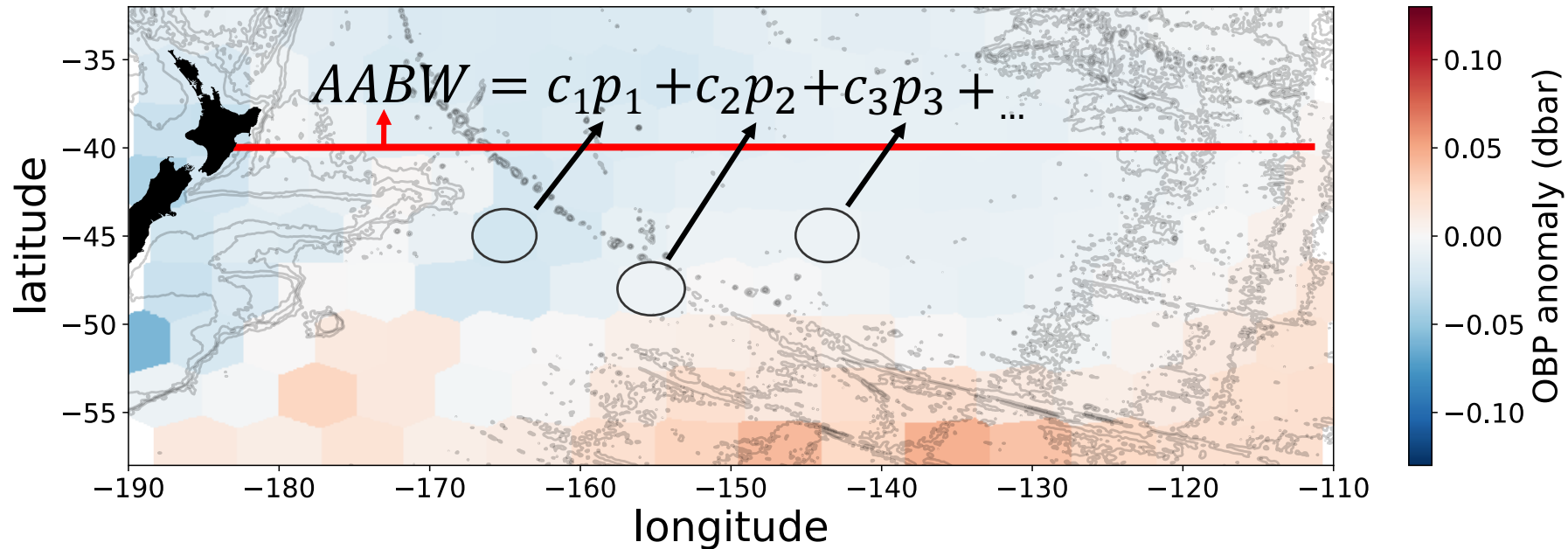
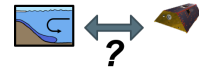
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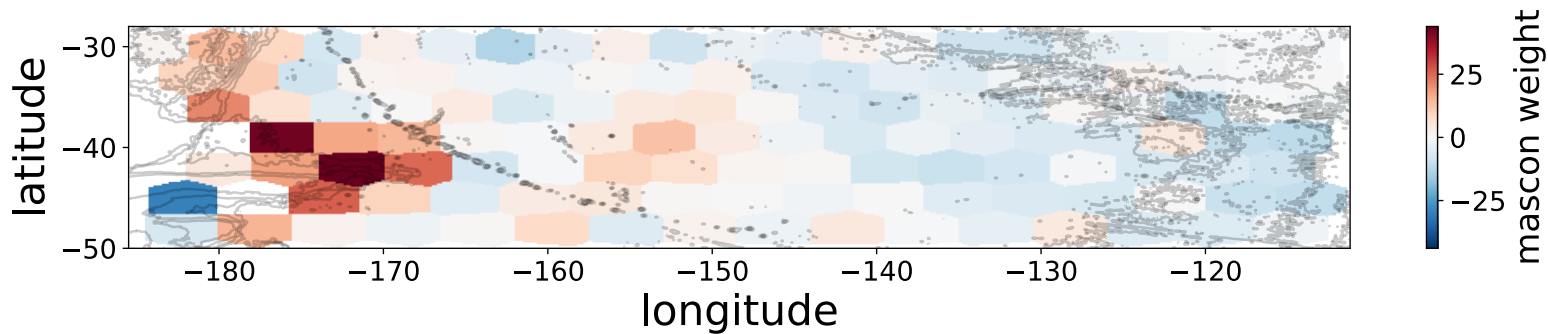
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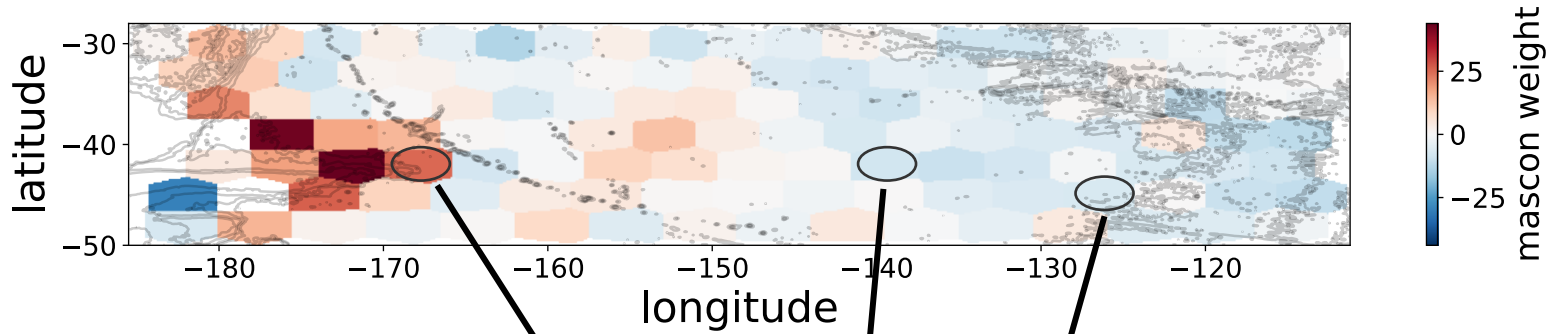


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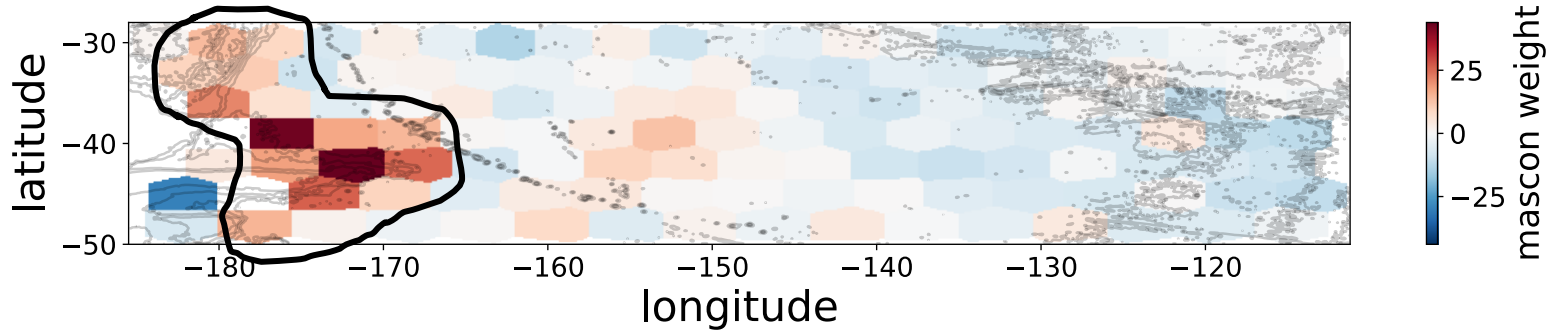
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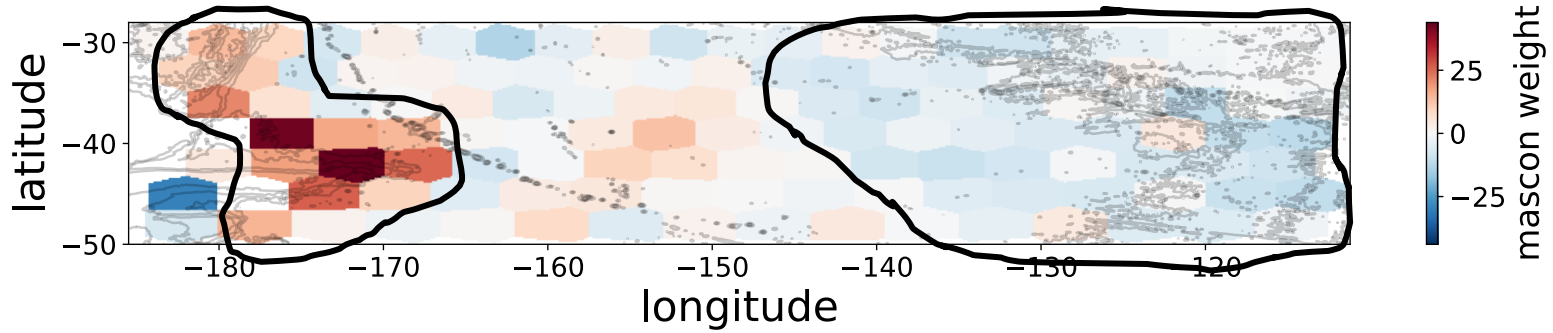
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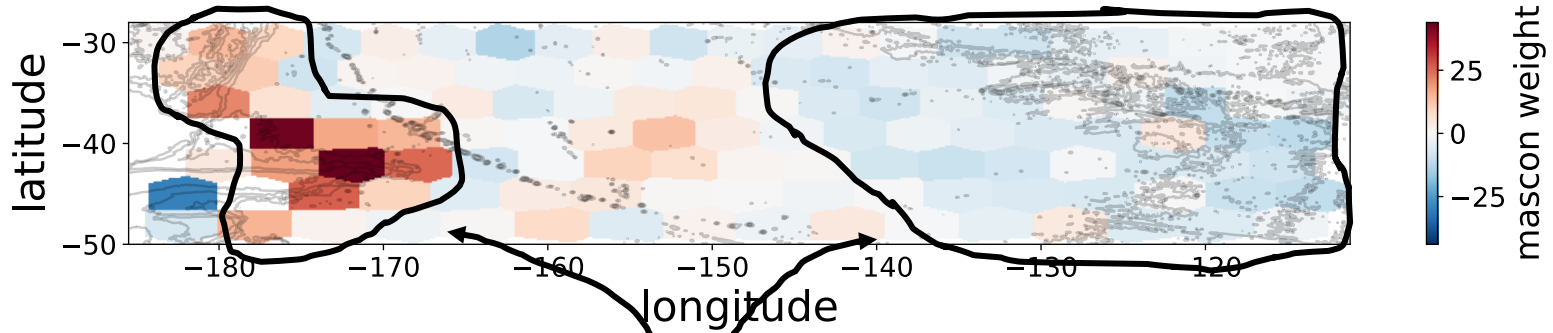
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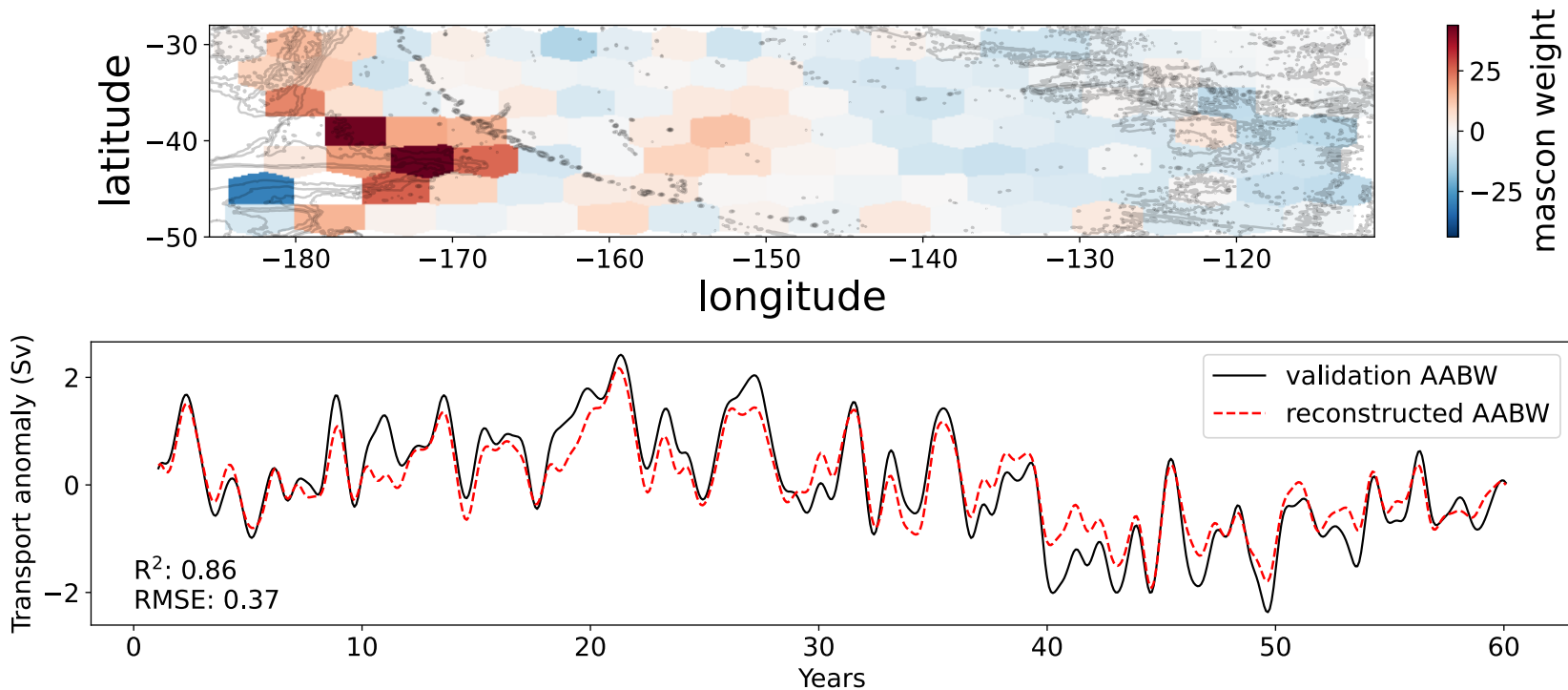
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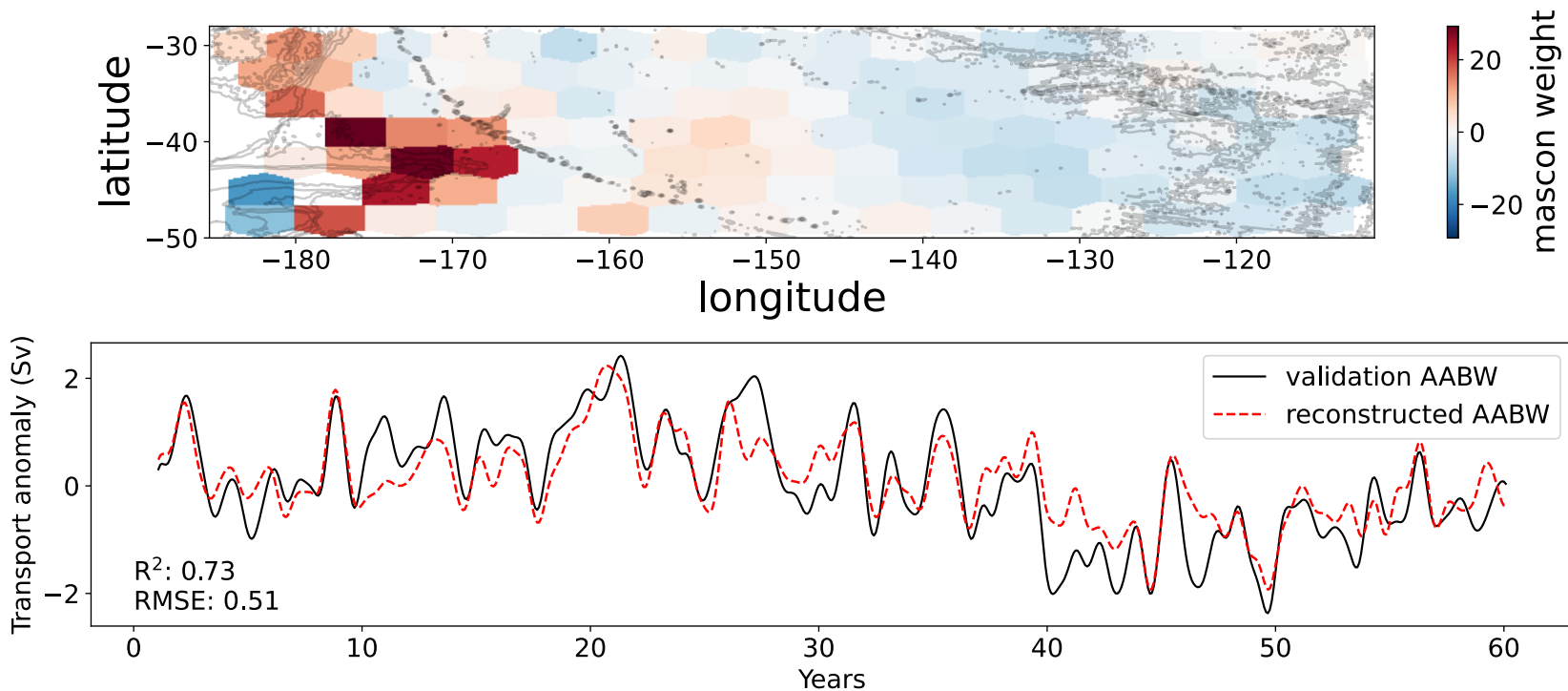
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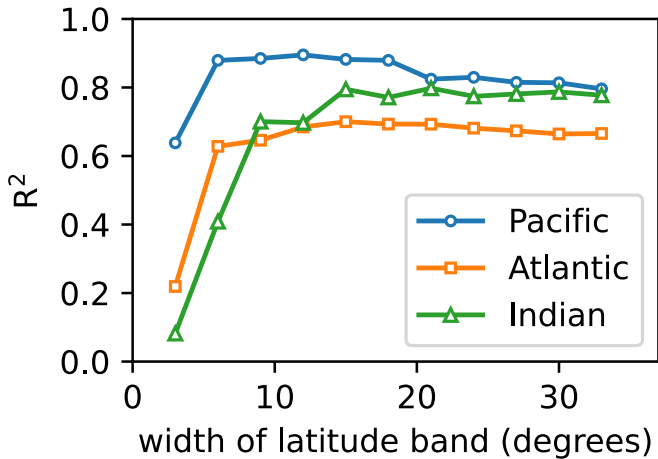


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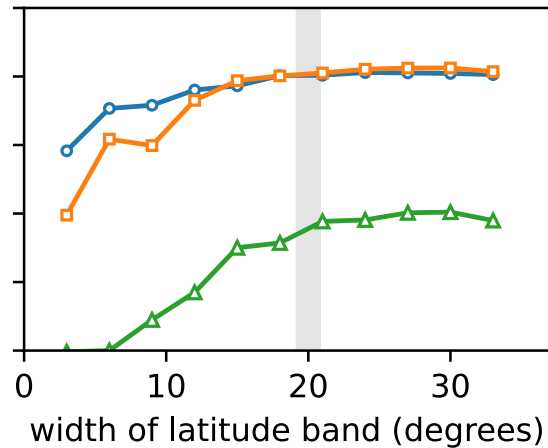


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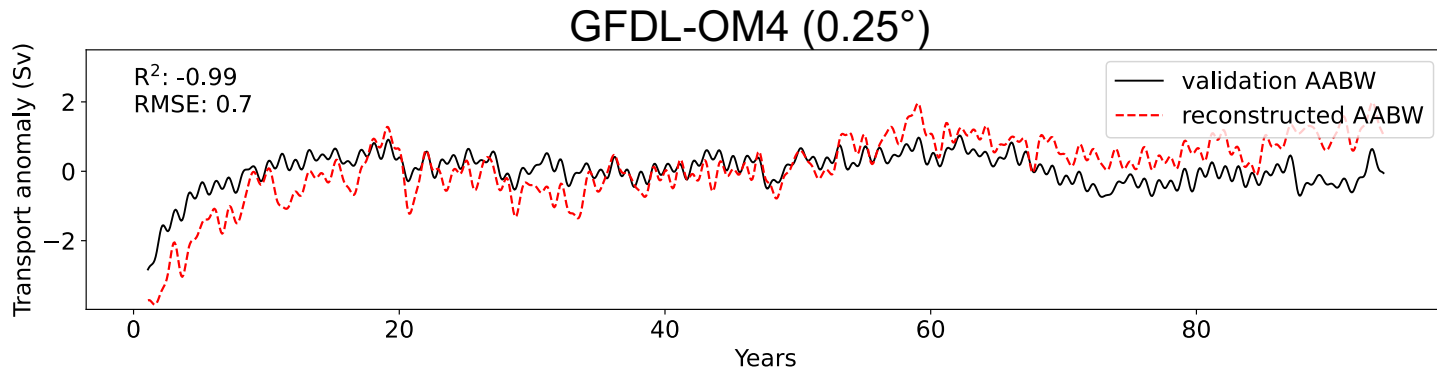
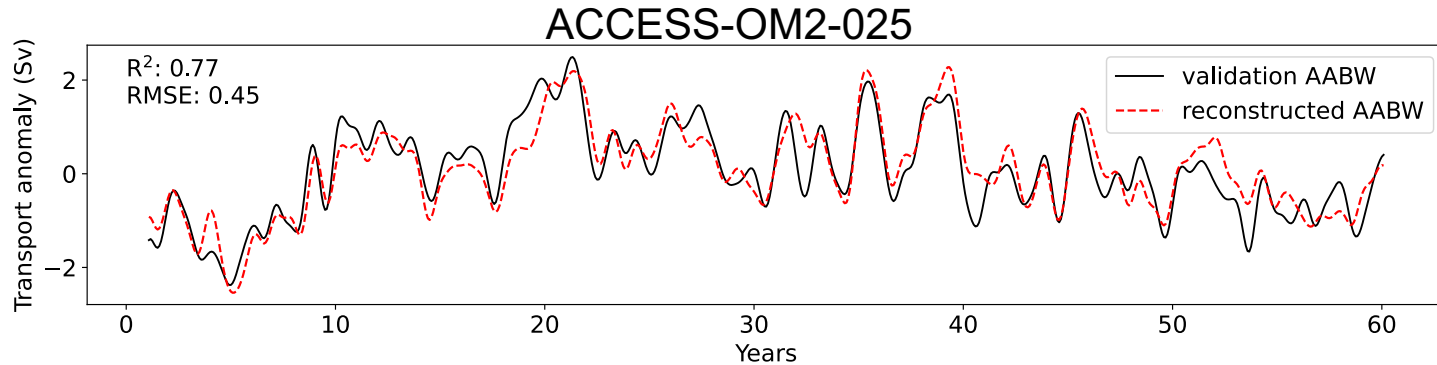
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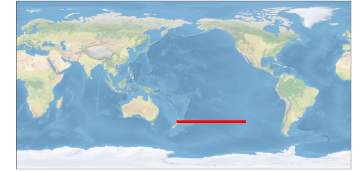
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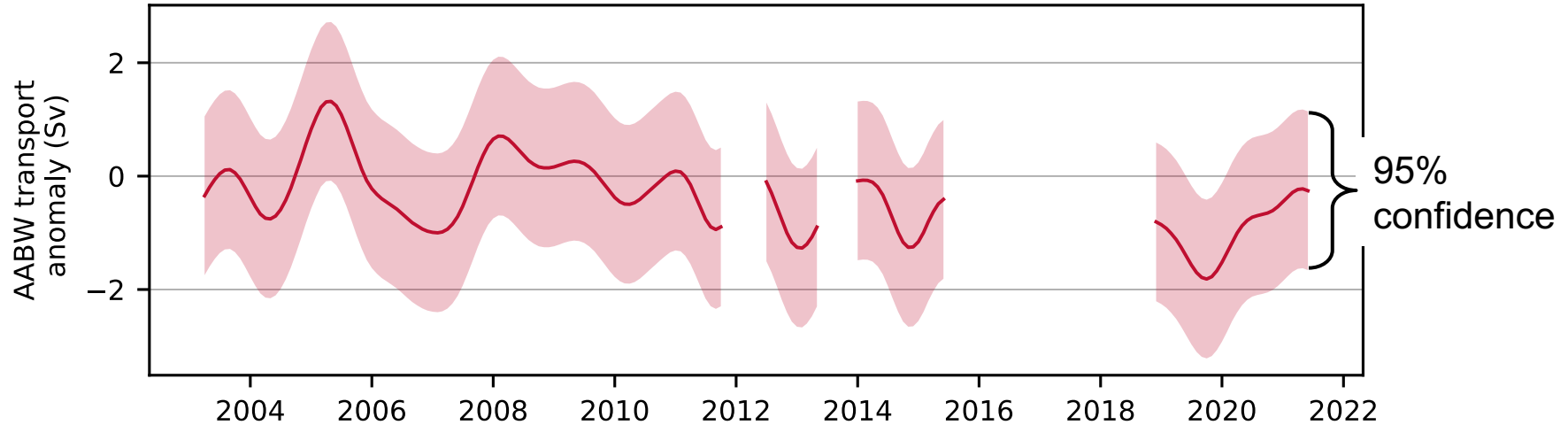
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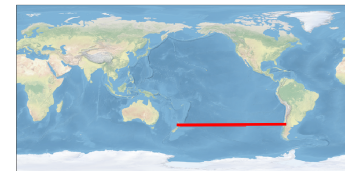
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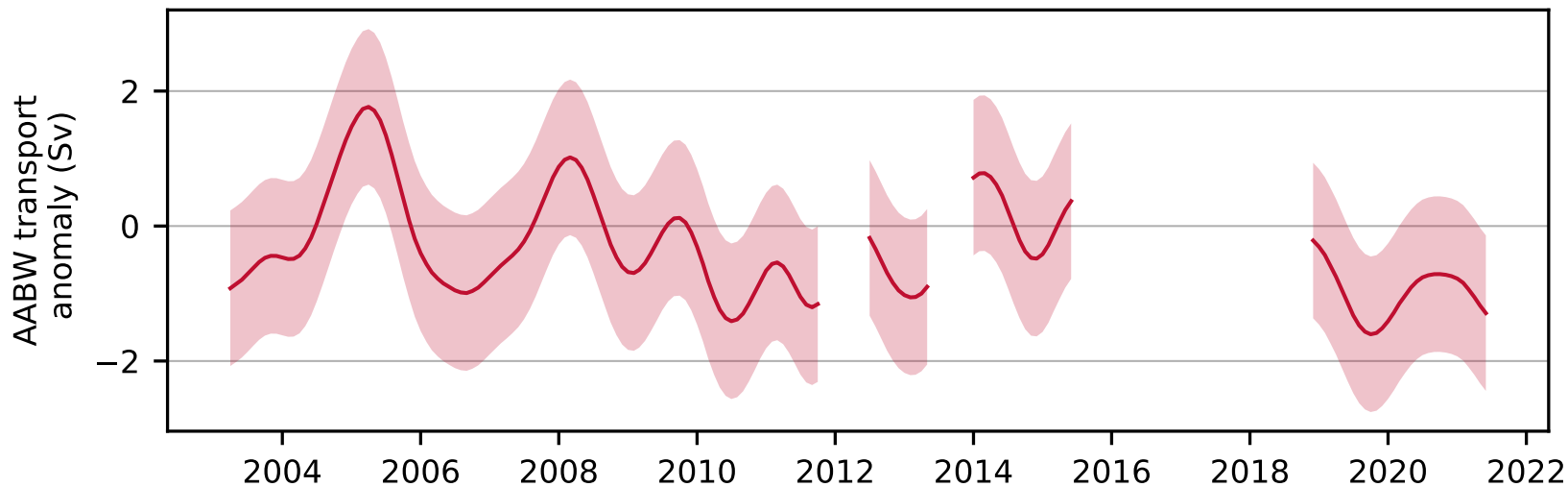
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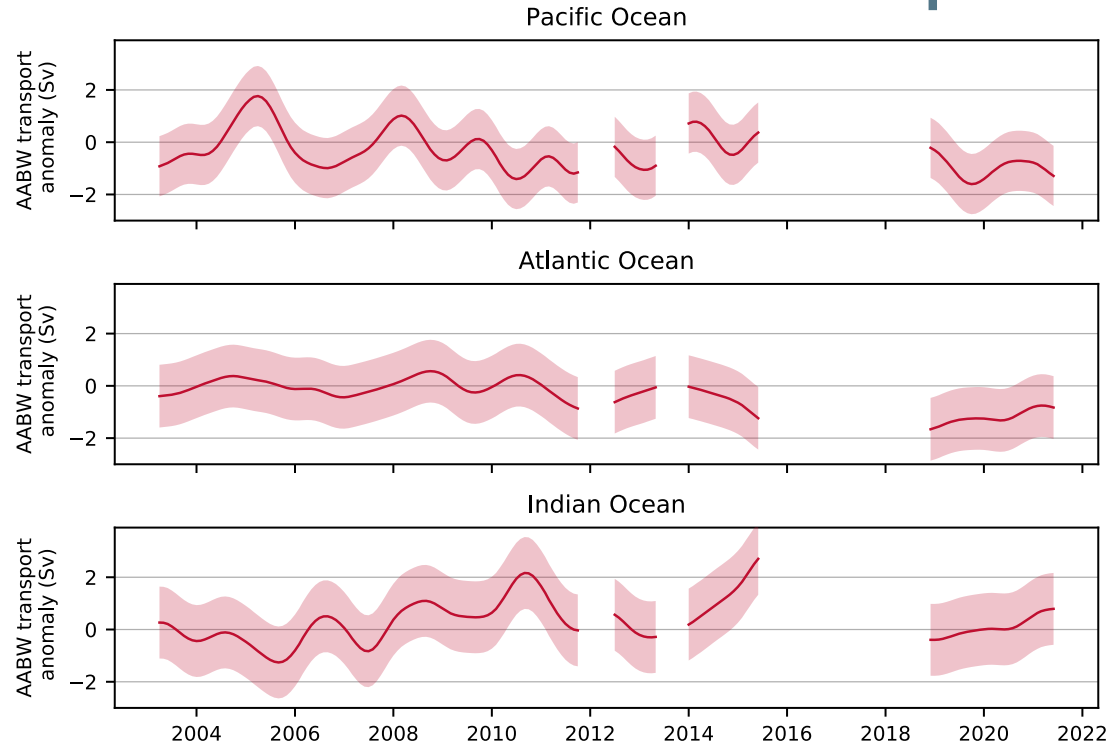
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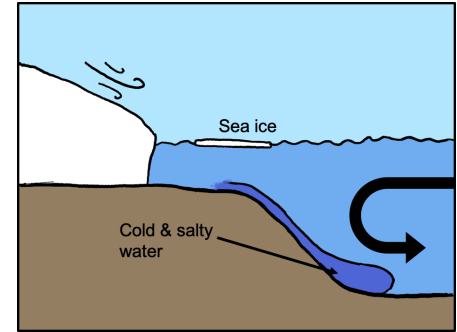


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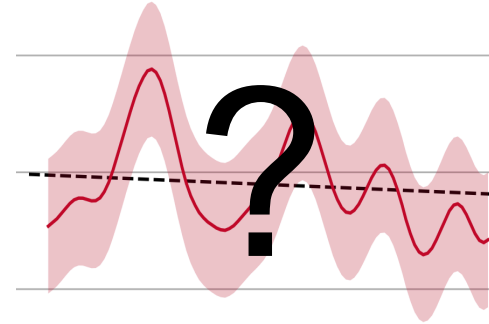
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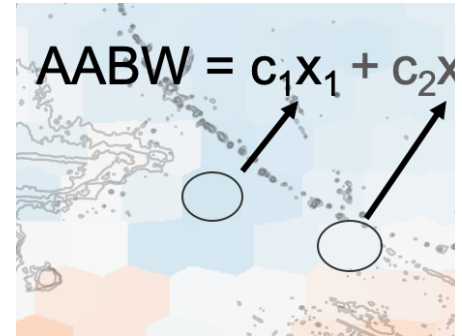


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