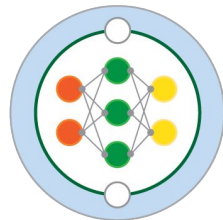


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Key points:

1. Neural networks - within the existing energetics based physics framework to improve vertical diffusivity in the OSBL.
2. Networks implemented in MOM6.
3. JRA forced simulations performed: Bias reduction in shallow mixed layer depth and upper ocean stratification.



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4. Equation Discovery: Successes, challenges, results.

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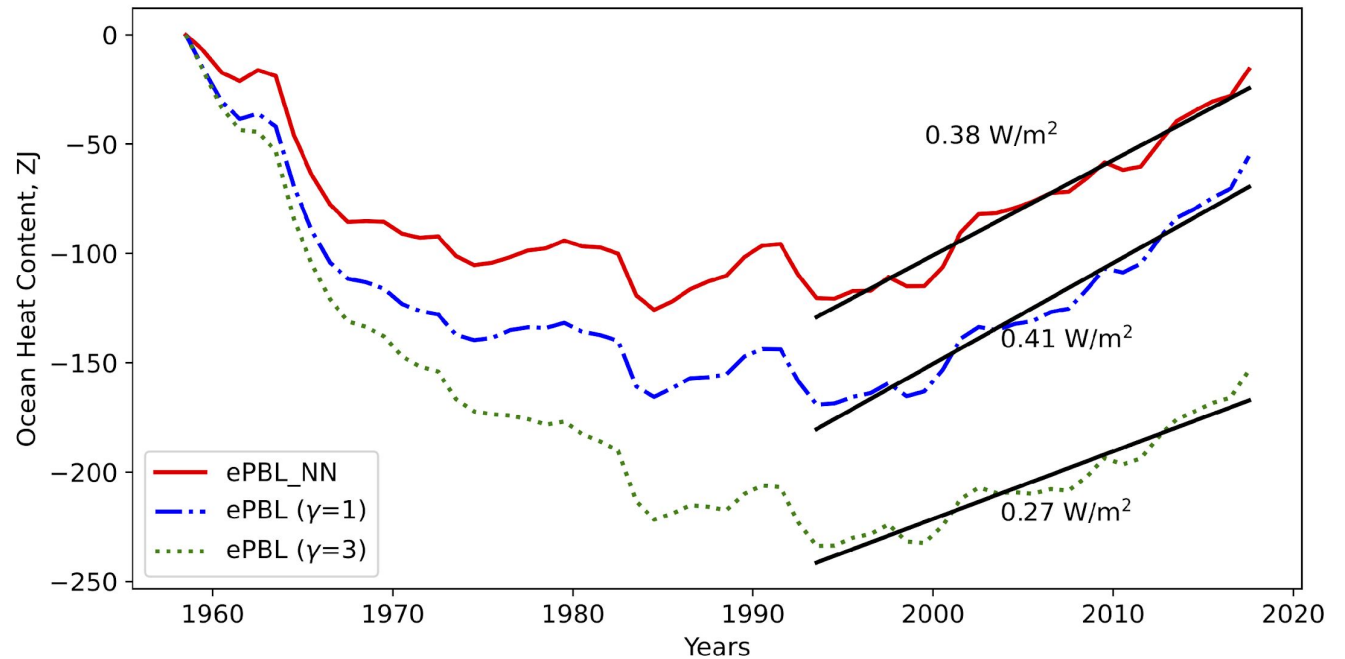
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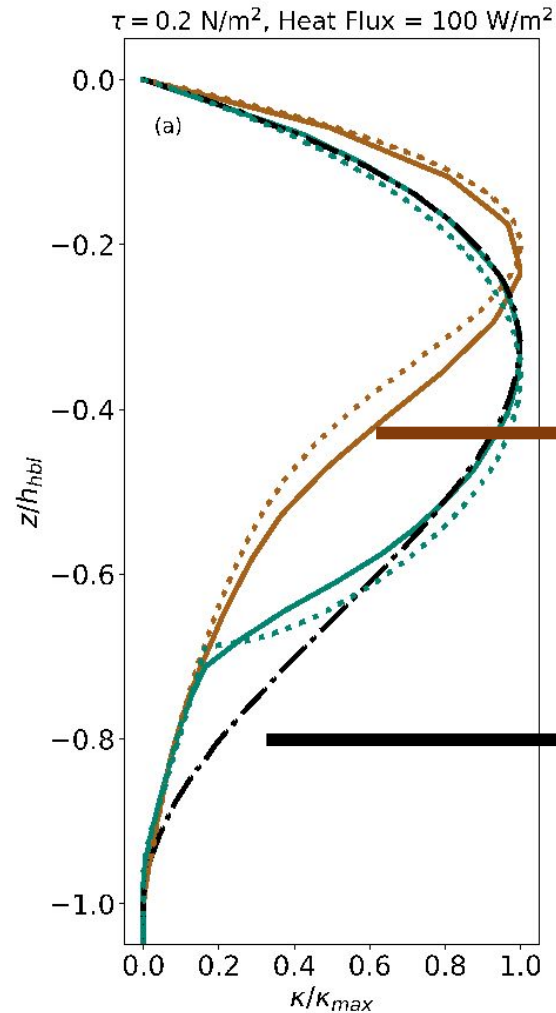
Changing ad-hoc parameters changes rate of ocean warming!



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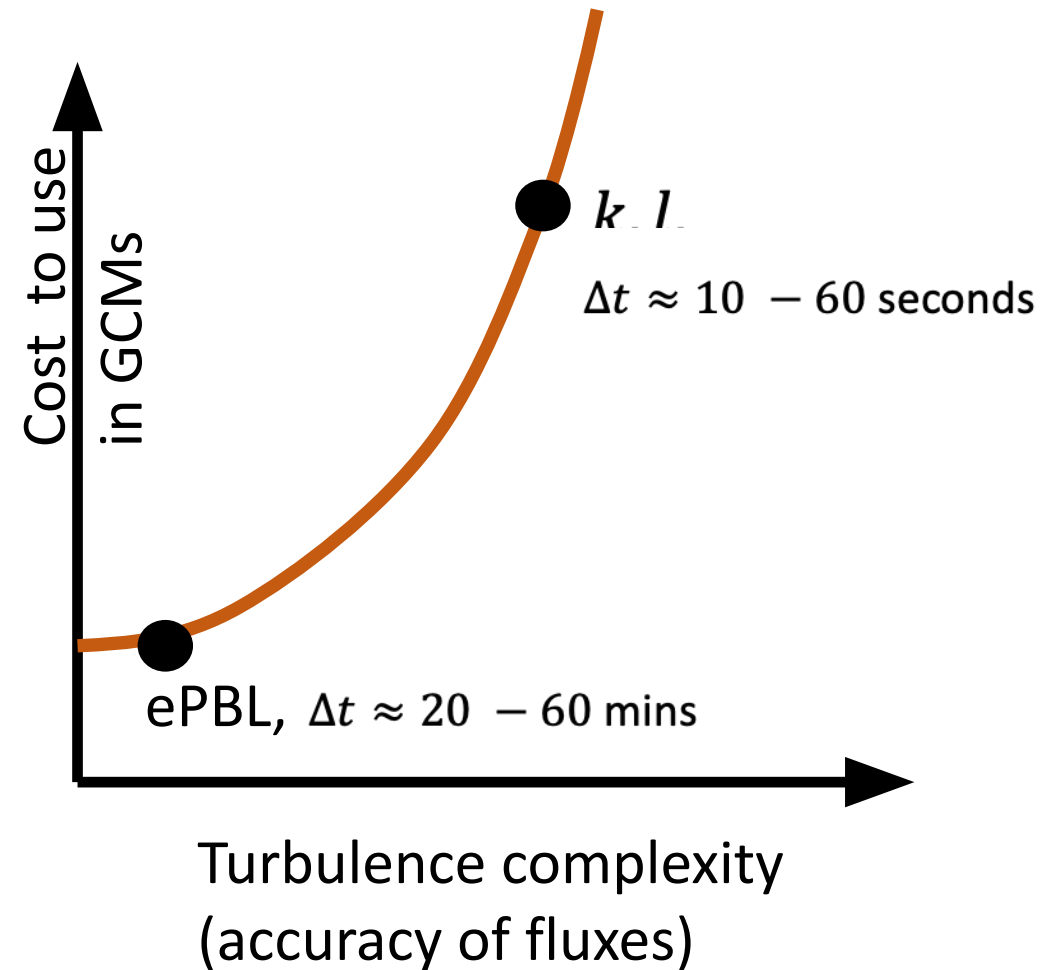
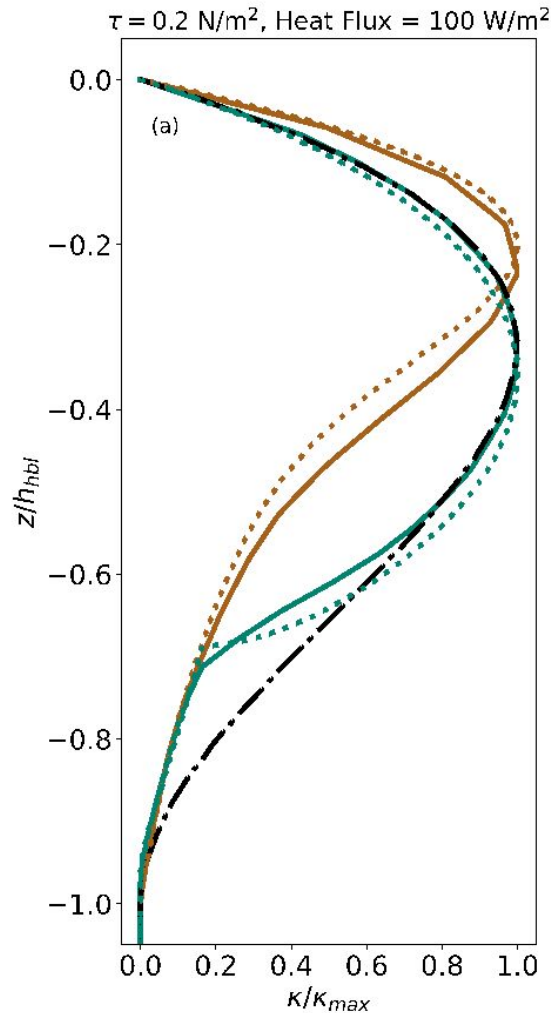
What we need

What we currently use in ePBL scheme (Reichl and Hallberg (2018)).

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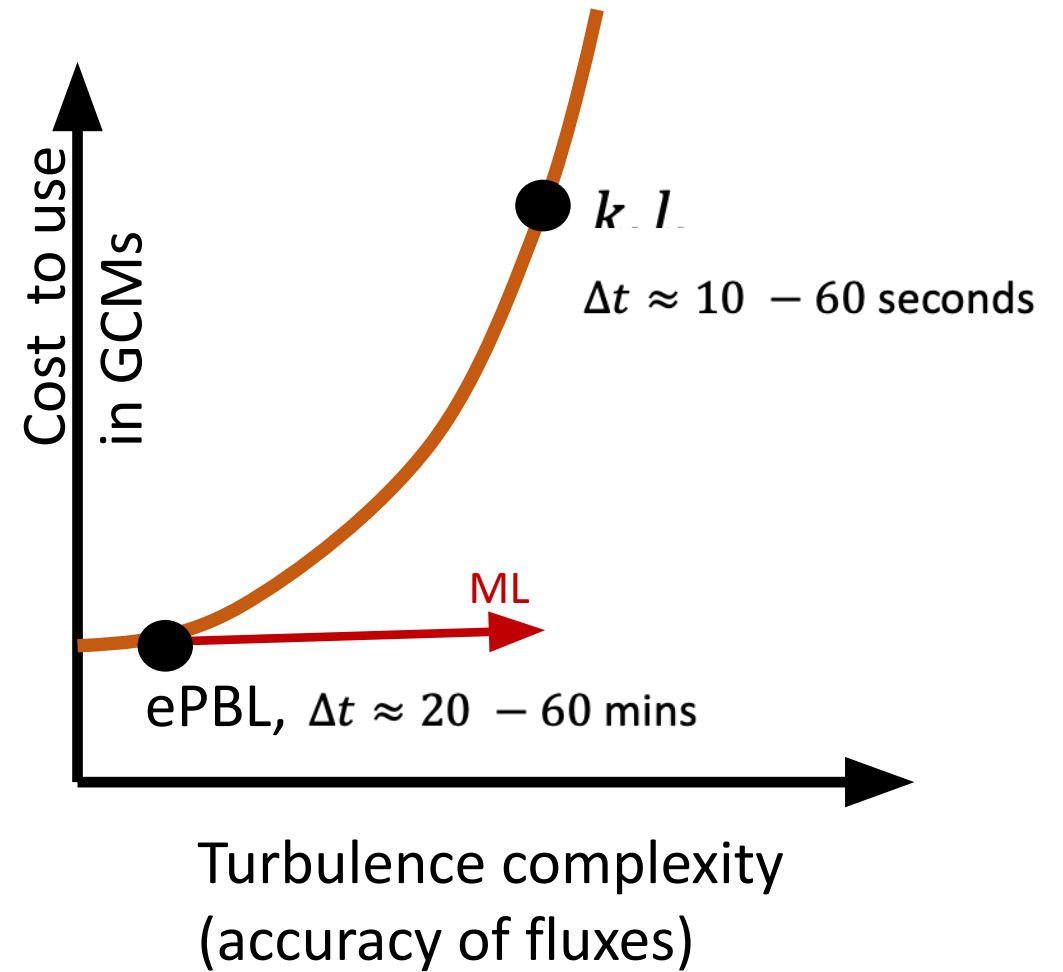
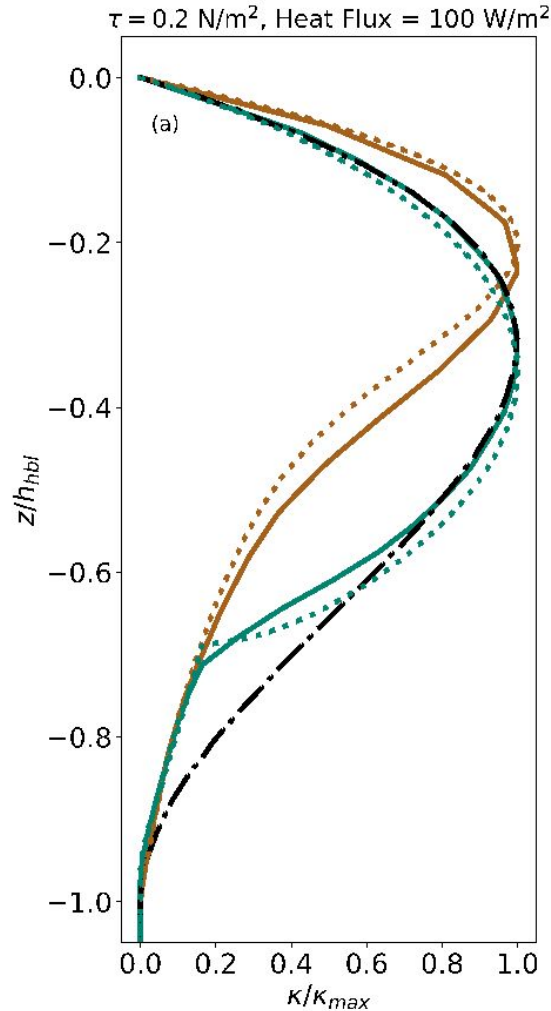
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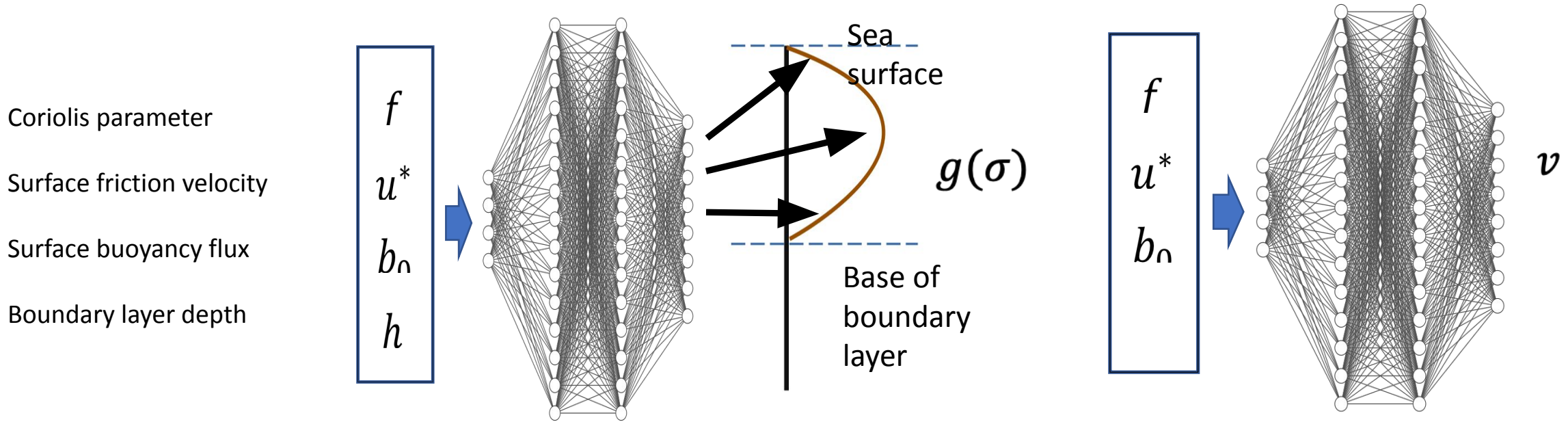
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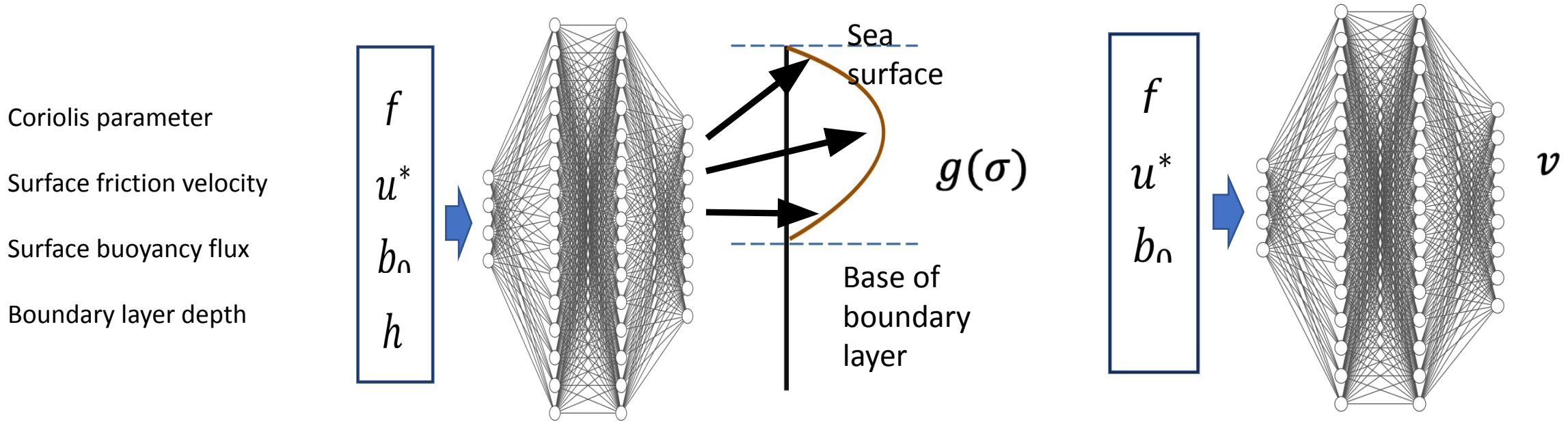
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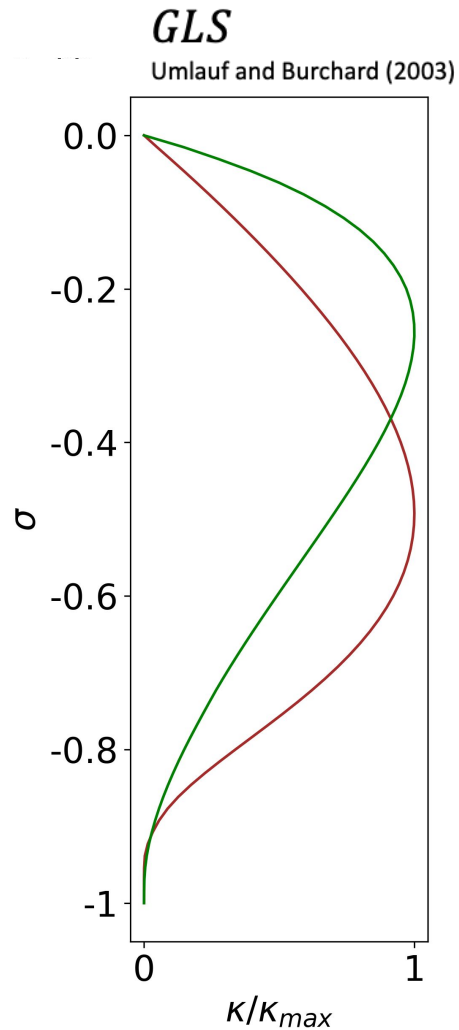
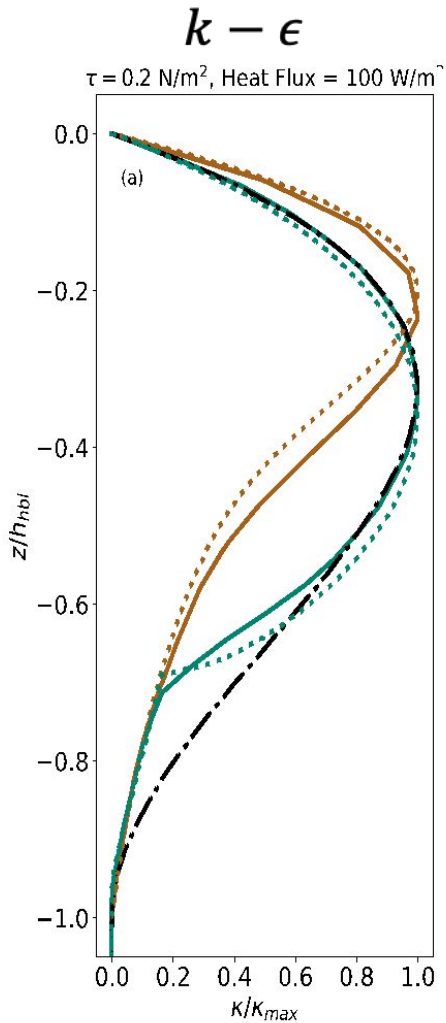
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κ obtained from above is substituted in the ePBL mixing scheme (Reichl & Hallberg, 2018)
Showed reduction of some biases in OMIP experiments (Sane et al. 2023, JAMES)

Equation Discovery: (shape function)

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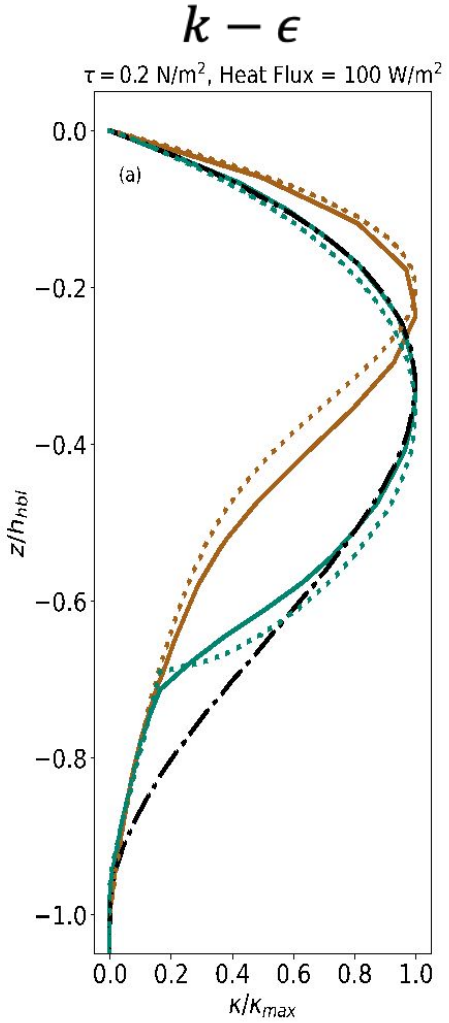


$$g = F \left(\sigma, \frac{h}{L_{Ek}}, \frac{h}{L_{\{MO\}}} \right)$$

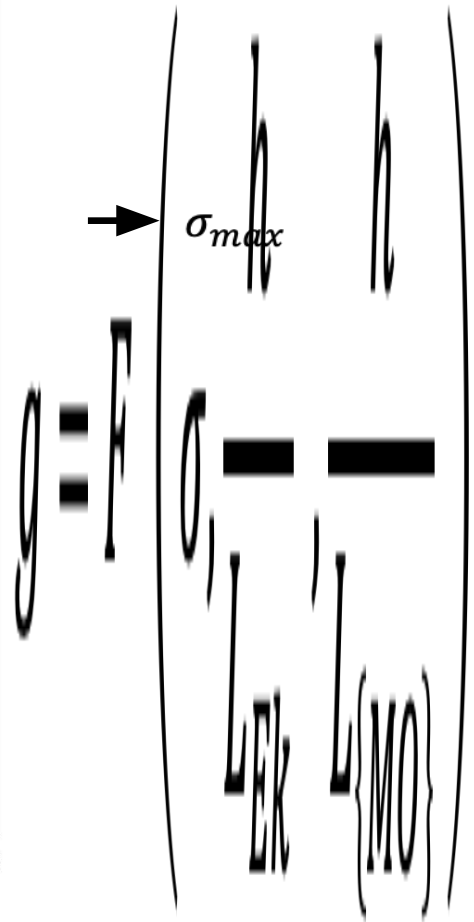
Tried Genetic Programming,
 challenging to constrain to strictly
 positive values!

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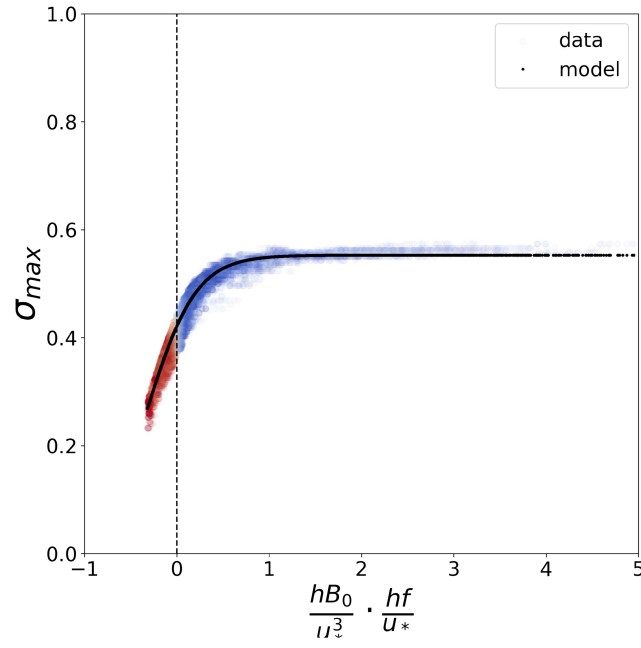
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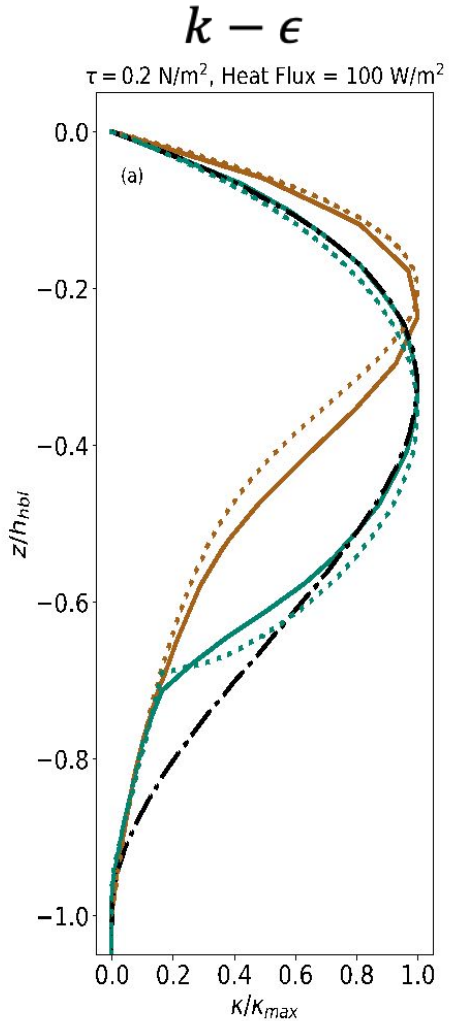


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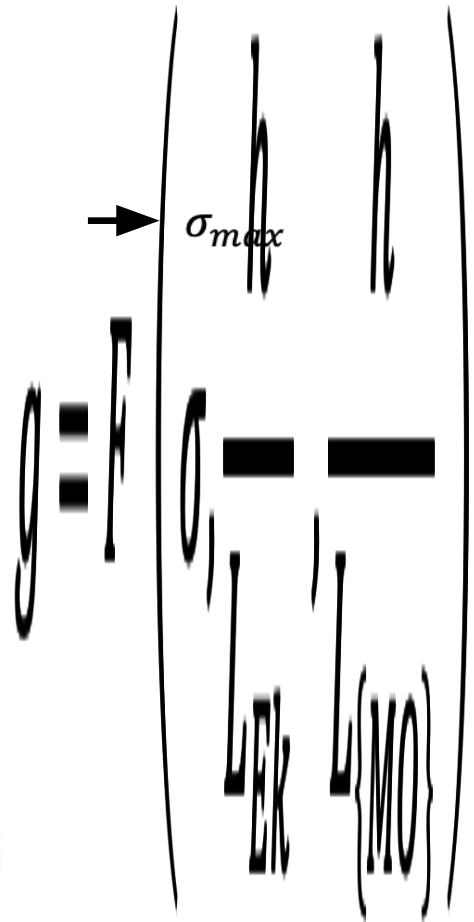


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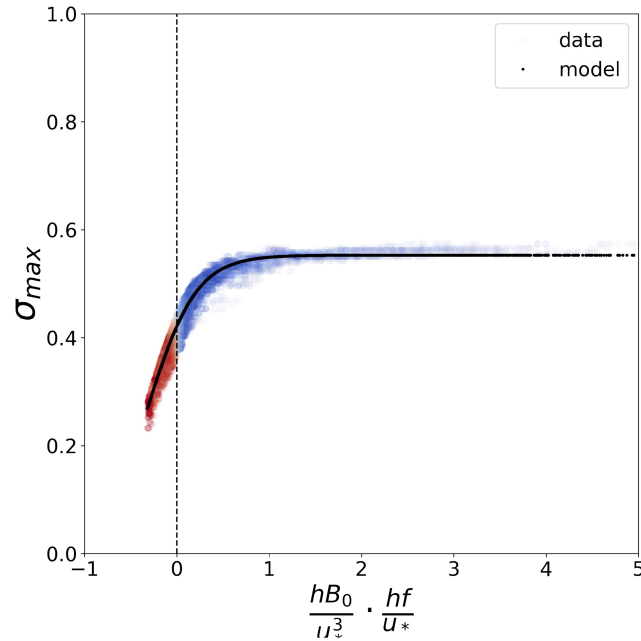
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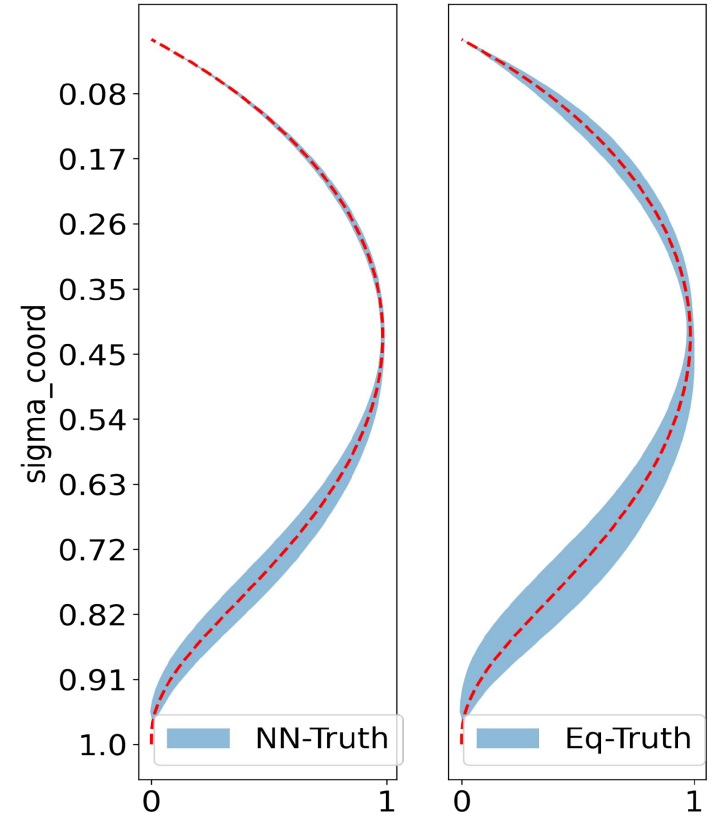
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Error around the mean profile



Equation Discovery: (velocity) using Genetic Programming

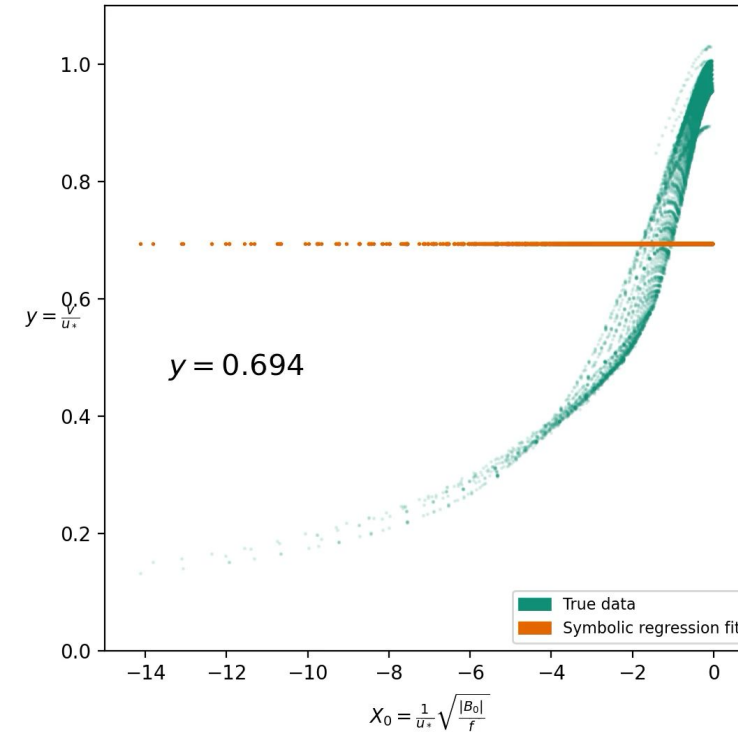
$$x = \left(\frac{1}{u_*} \right) \sqrt{\frac{|B|}{f}}$$

B : Surface buoyancy flux
 u_* : Surface friction velocity
 f : Coriolis parameter

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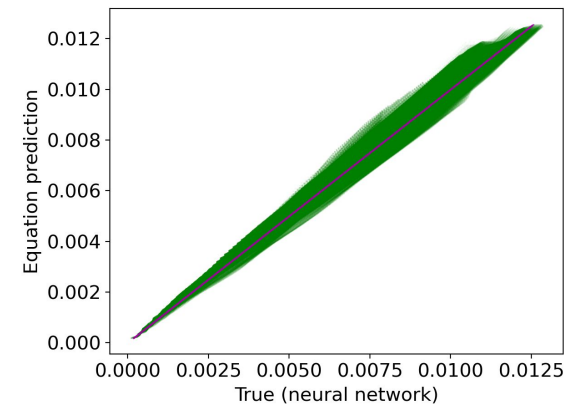
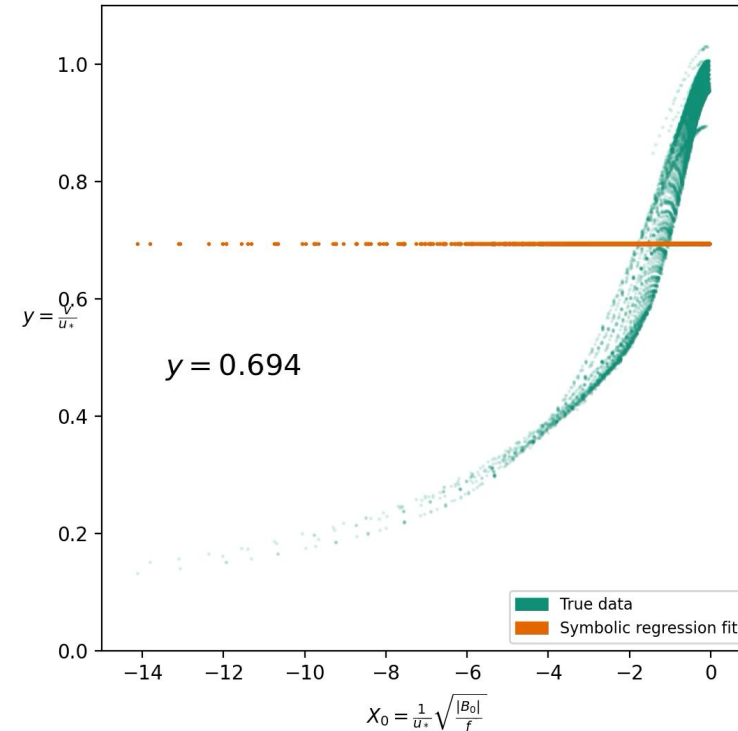
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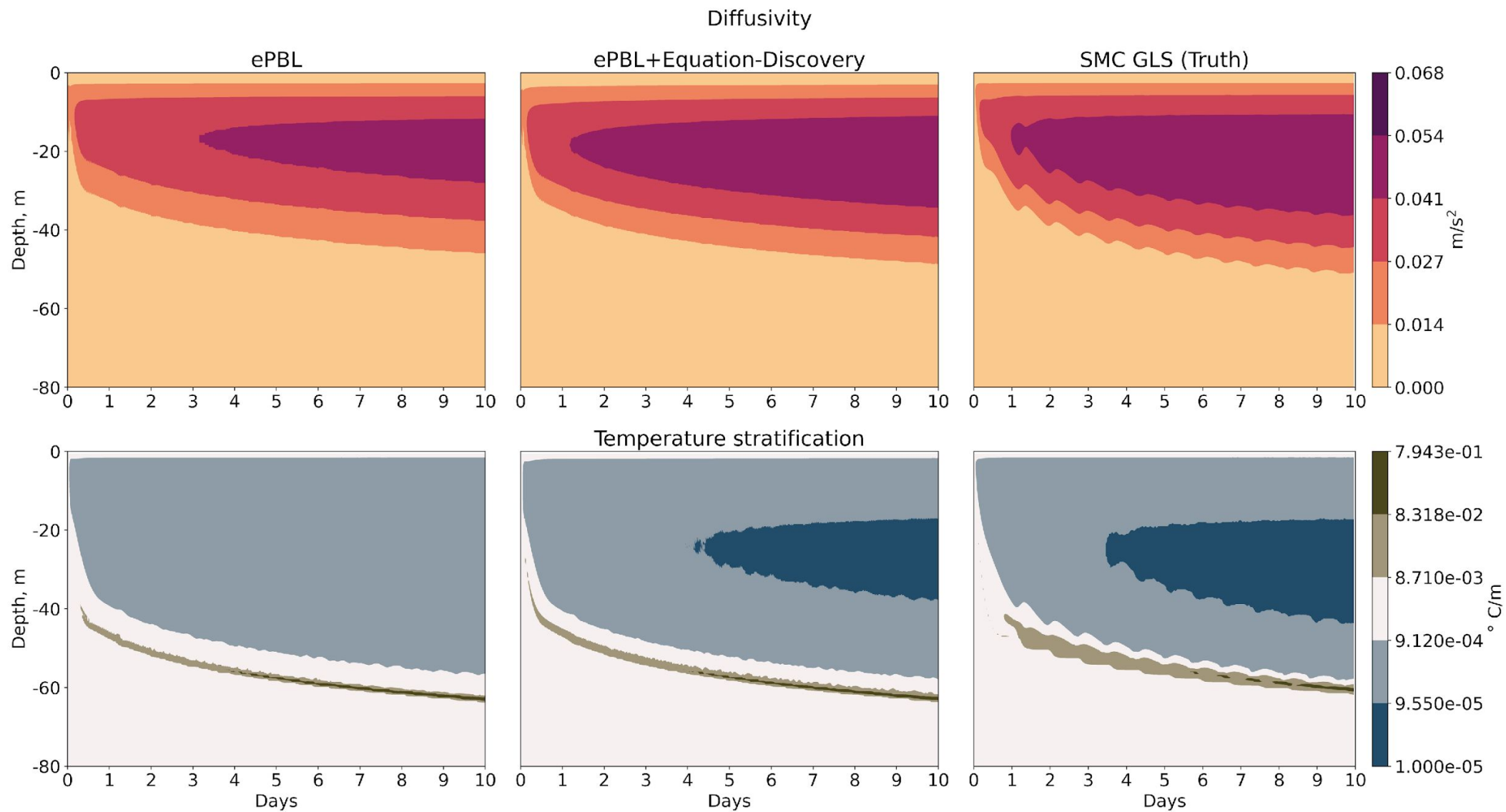
Unstable:

$$\frac{v}{u_*} = -\frac{0.1x\sqrt{\frac{f}{\Omega}}}{1 + \frac{(45 e^{-\frac{f}{\Omega}} + 3.29)u^2 f}{B}} + c_1$$

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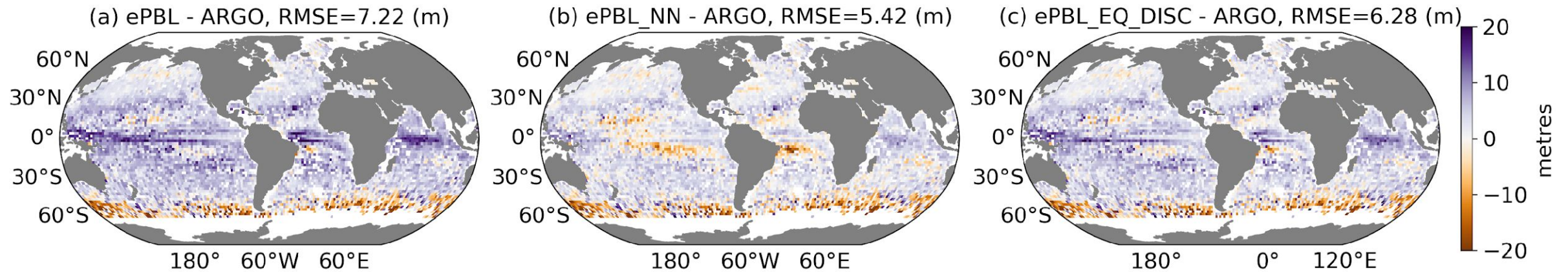


Single Column model results



JRA forced results (MOM6, $\frac{1}{4}^\circ$ grid, OM4): summer MLD (work in progress)

Summer Mixed Layer Depth Biases, 2003-2017 averaged

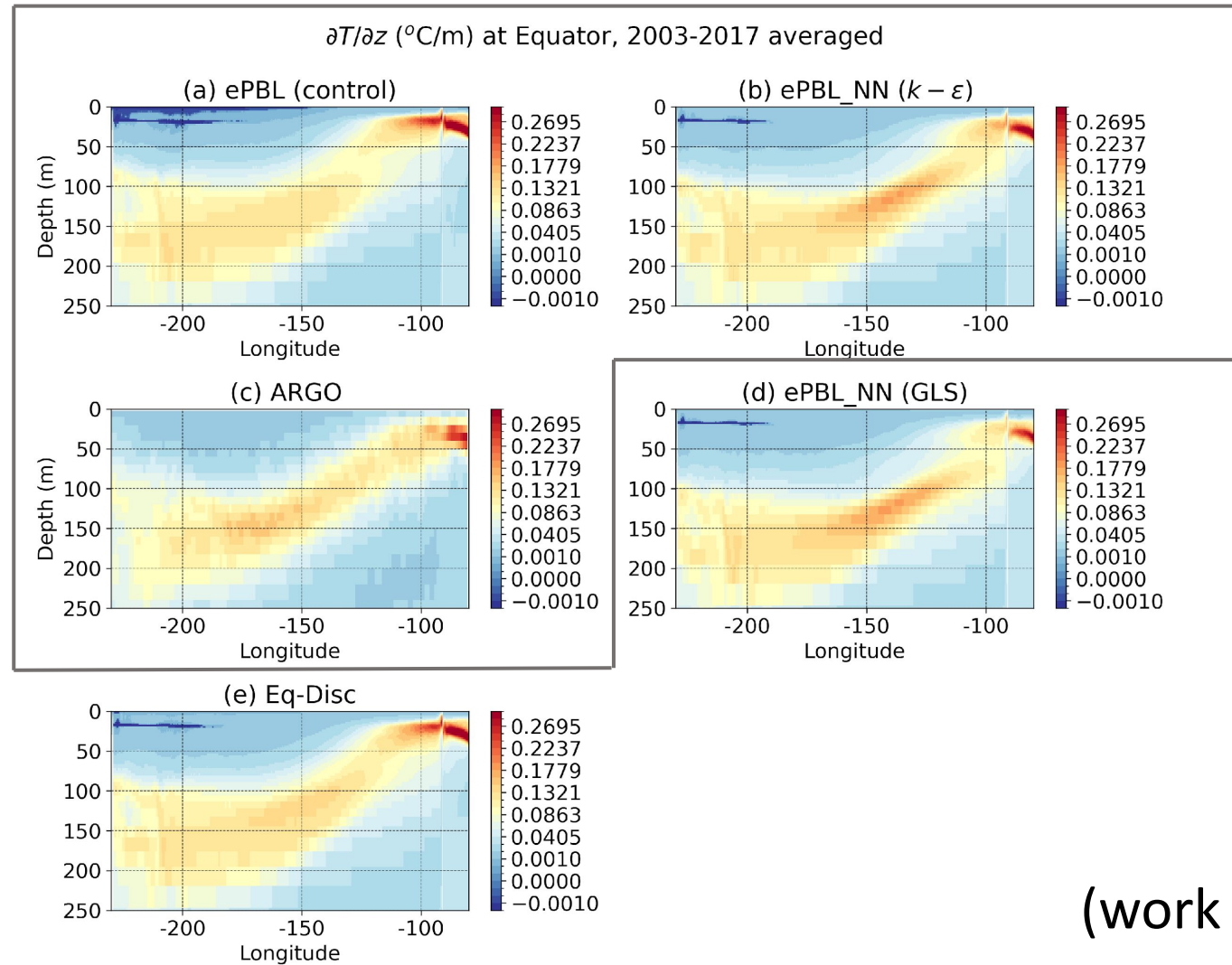


control

ePBL enhanced with neural
network predicted diffusivity
(Sane et al. 2023)

ePBL diffusivity discovered
equations

JRA forced results (MOM6, $\frac{1}{4}^\circ$ grid, OM4): Pacific Equator vertical transect



Sane et al.
JAMES
2023

(work in progress)

Concluding remarks:

1. Neural networks - trained and implemented in MOM6
2. NN trained on Second Moment Closure schemes end up reducing some biases in OMIP experiments.
3. Symbolic regression (Genetic Programming) can be challenging.
4. With approximate equations that replace NNs, some bias reduction was observed.

Thank you