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# Combining Oceanic And Atmospheric Carbon Data to constrain CO<sub>2</sub> fluxes in Europe and its surrounding oceans



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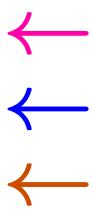
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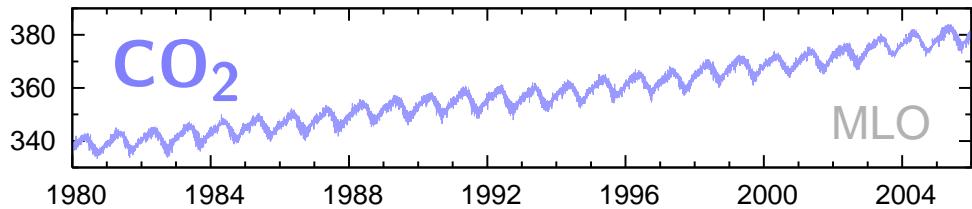
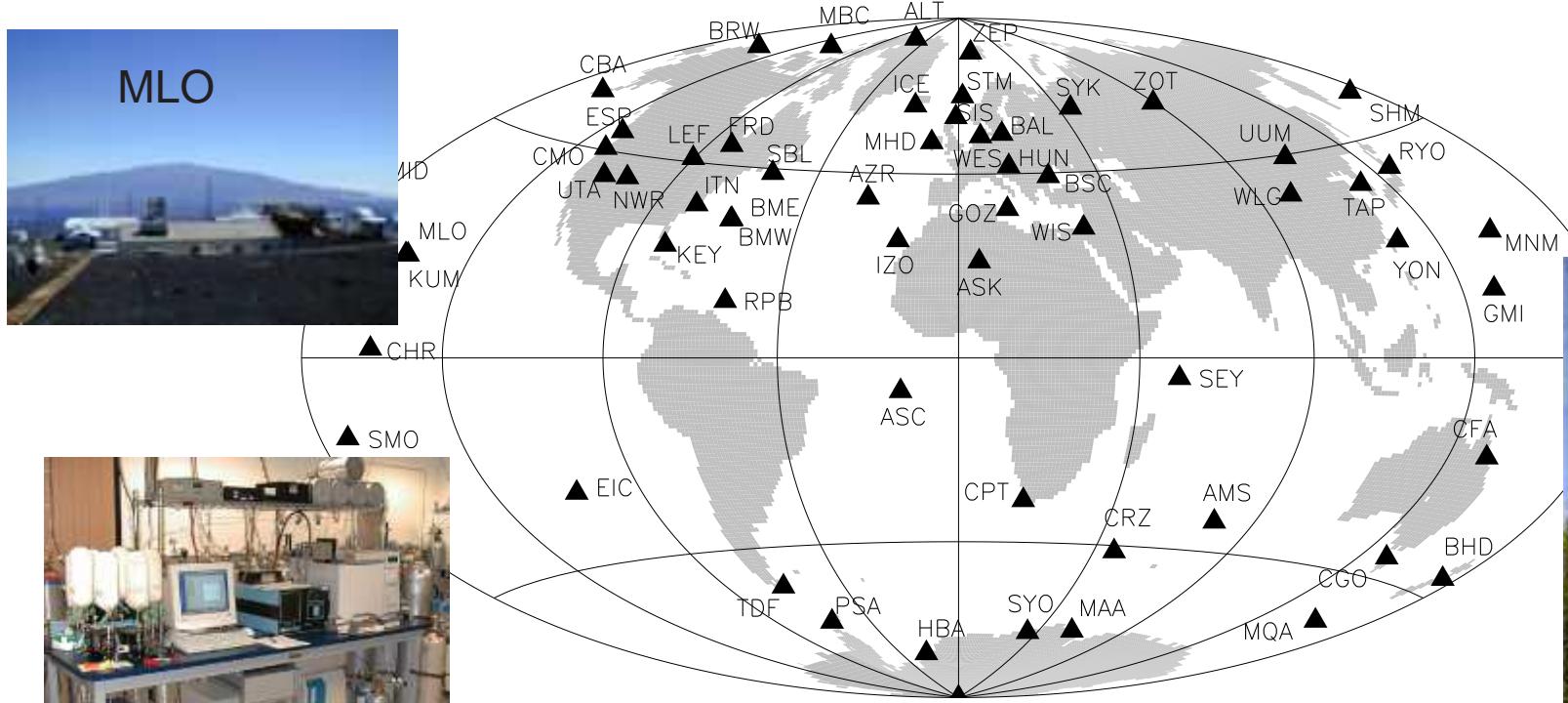
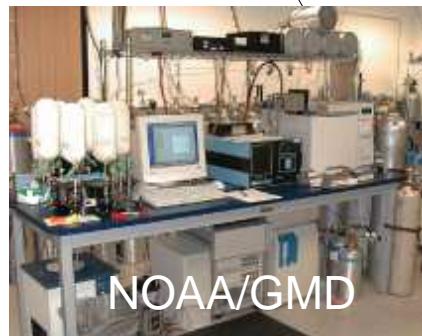
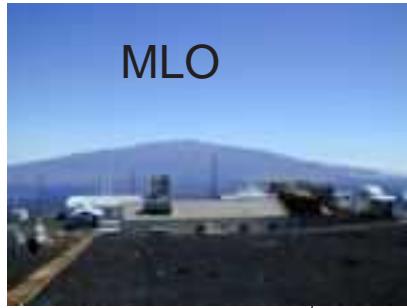
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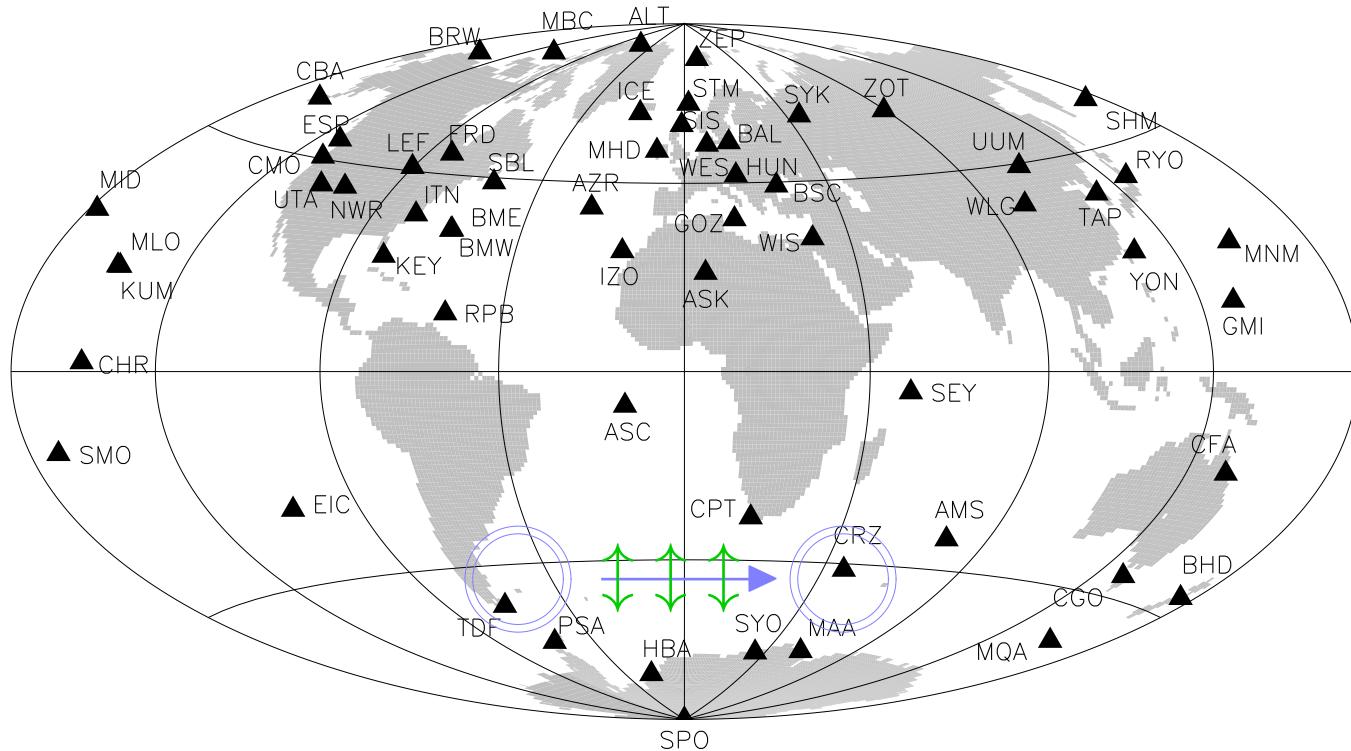




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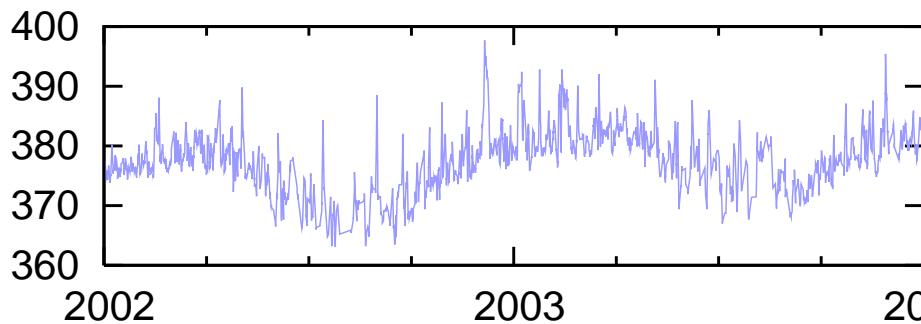
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Knowledge:  $\sum \text{Fluxes} \leftarrow \text{Concentration gradient, Transport}$

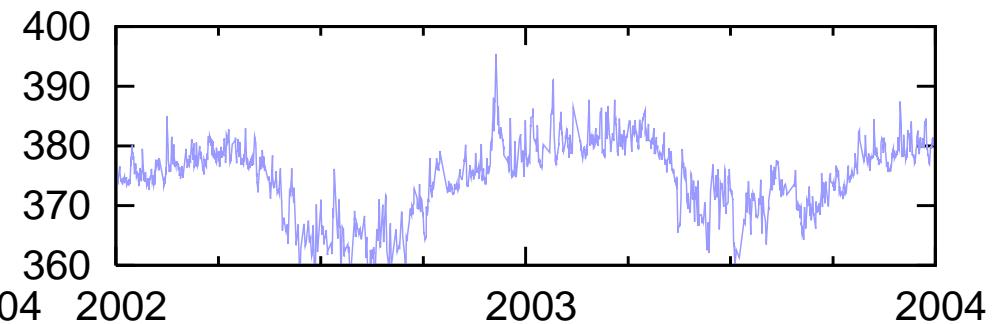
$$\mathbf{c}_{\text{meas}} \longleftrightarrow \mathbf{c}_{\text{mod}} = \mathbf{Af} + \mathbf{c}_0$$

**“Atmospheric Inversion”** = Multidimensional linear regression

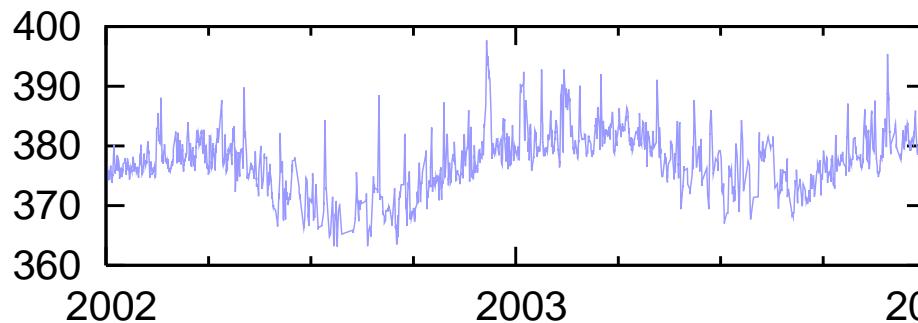
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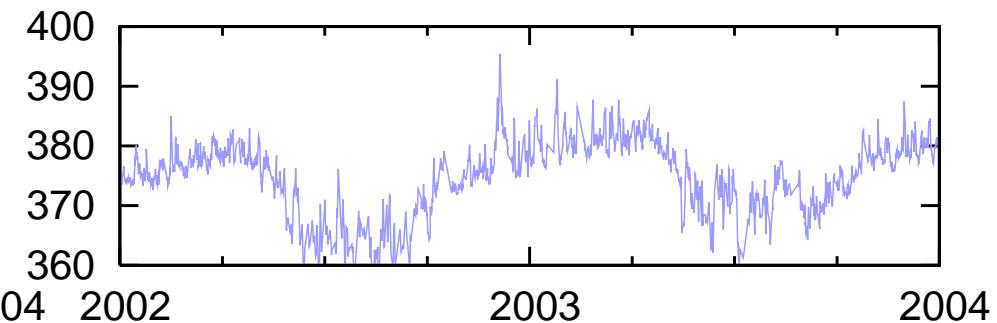
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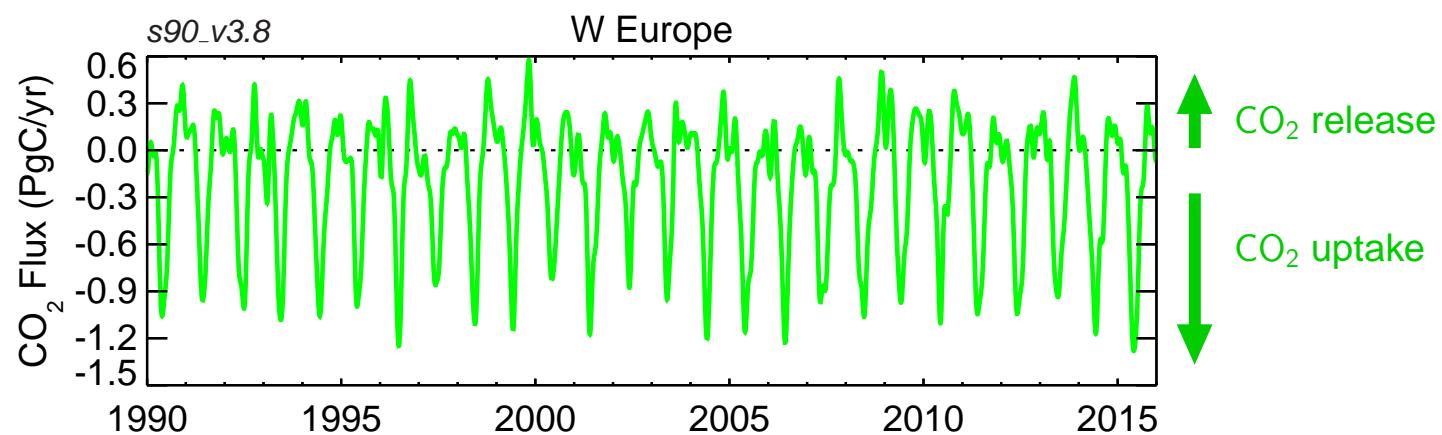
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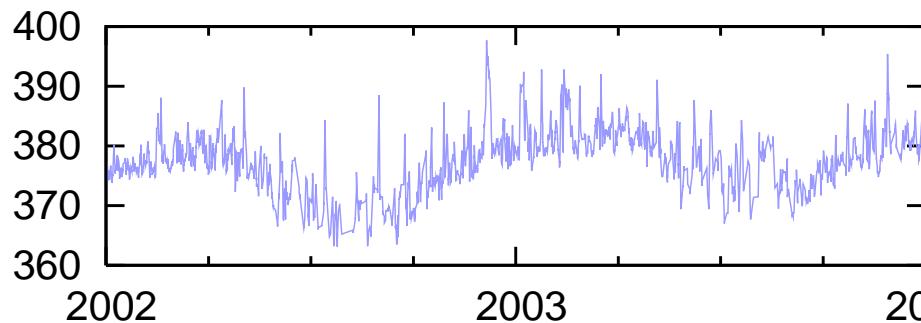
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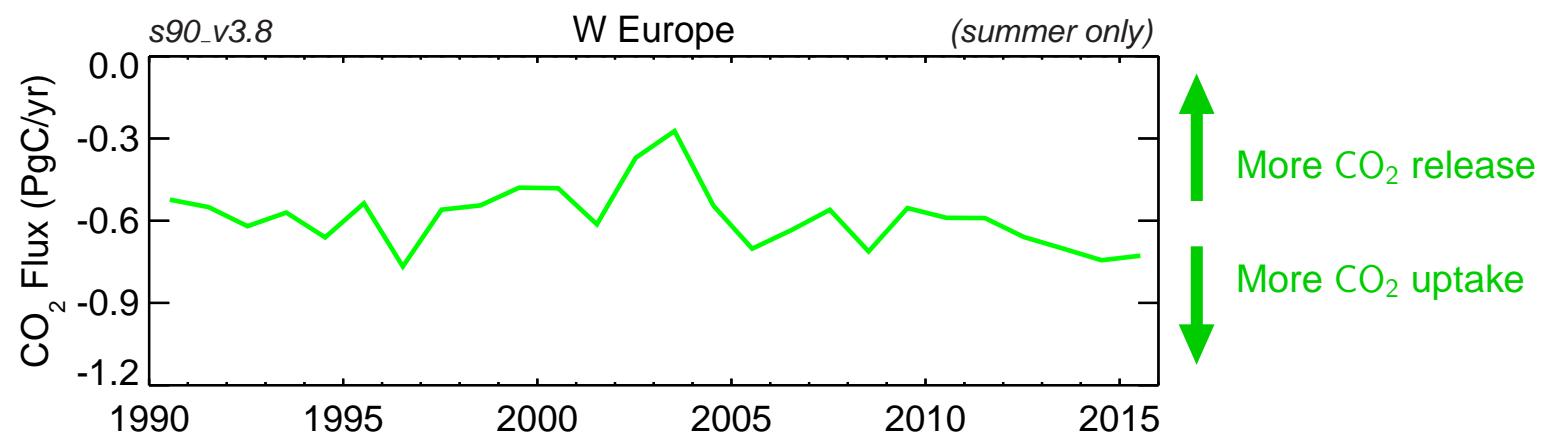
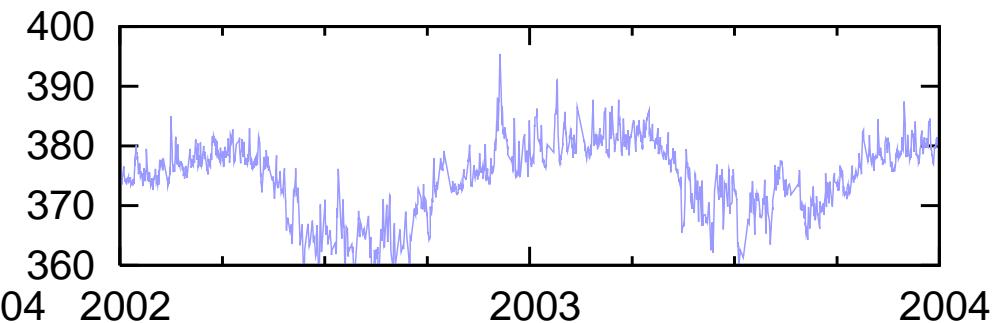
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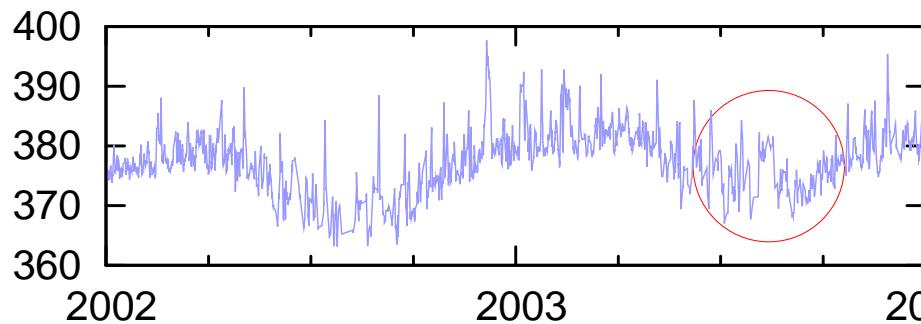
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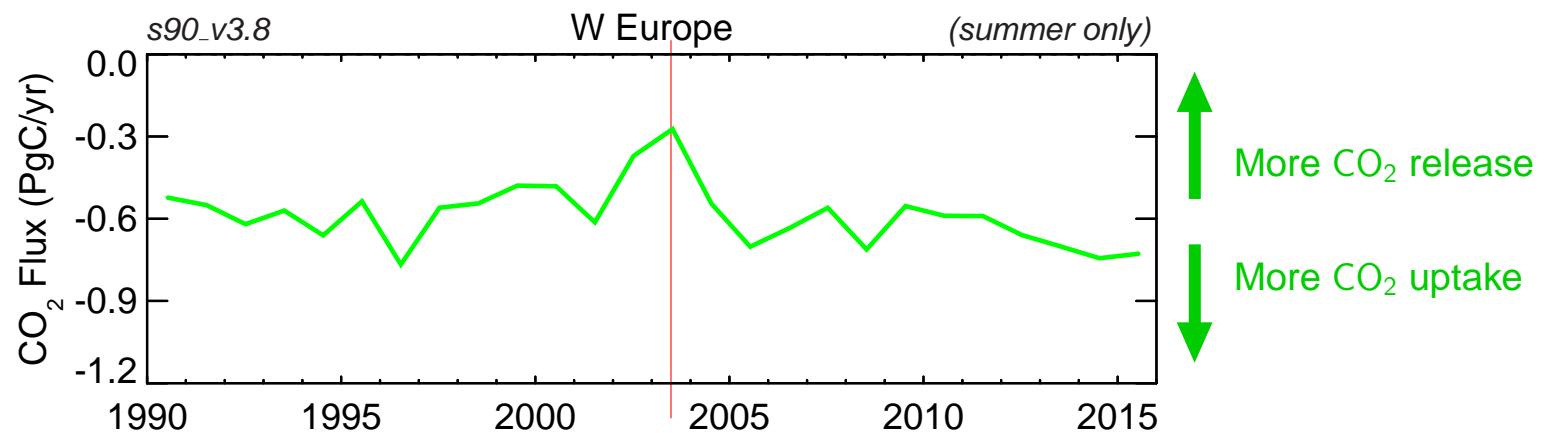
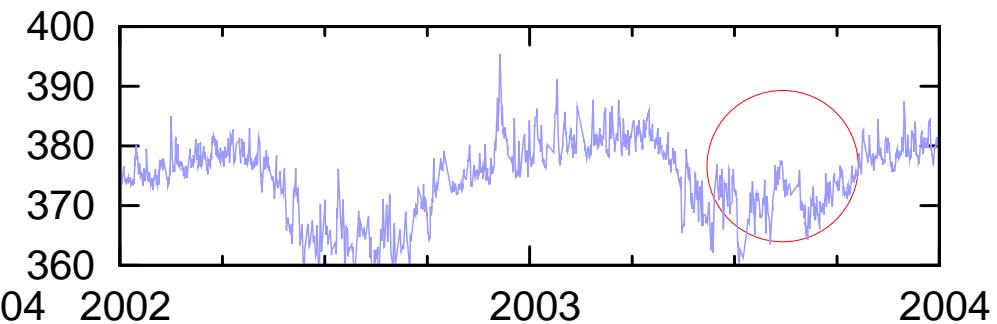
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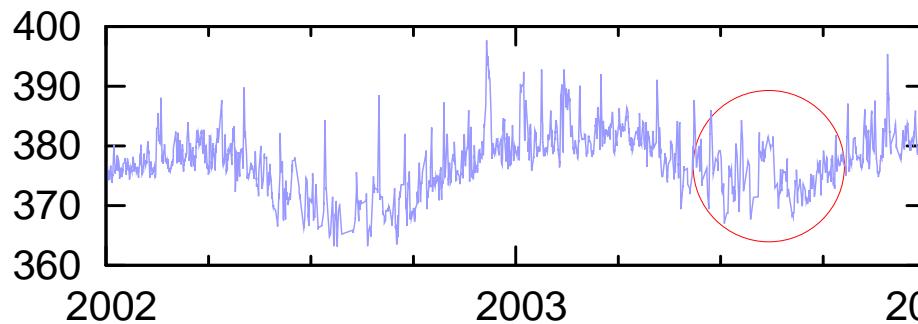
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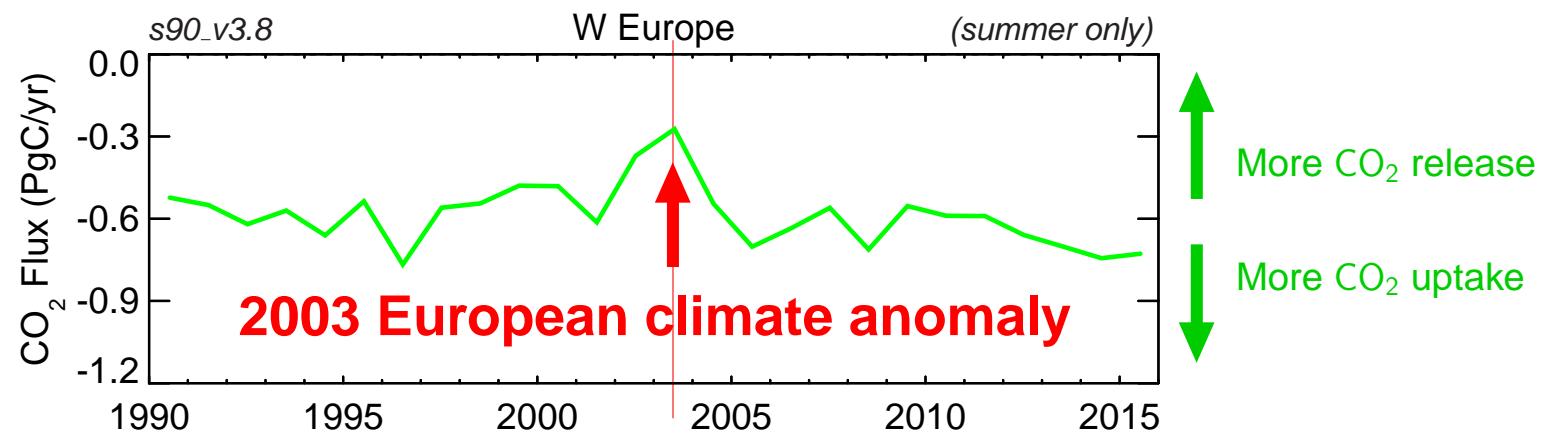
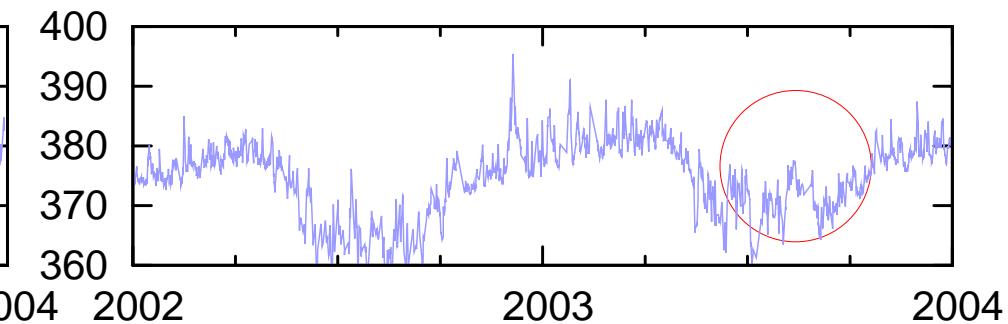
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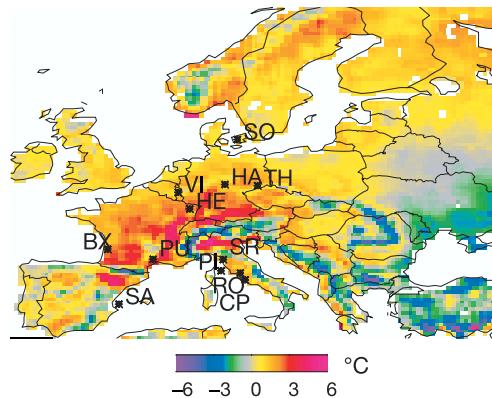
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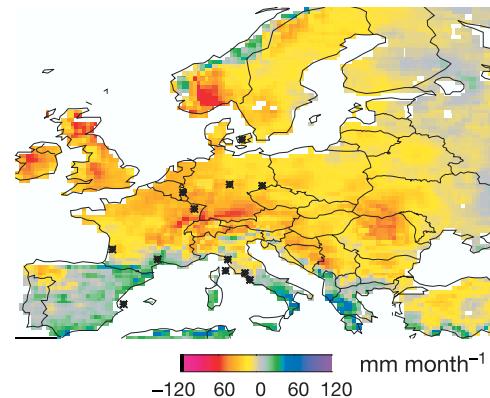
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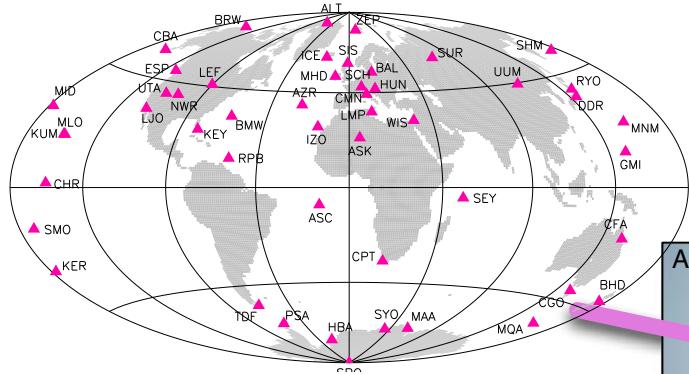


△ Precipitation: (Jul-Sep)



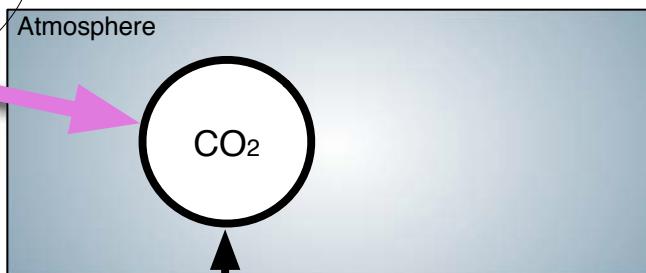
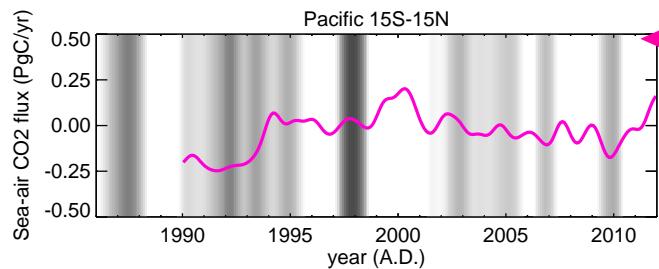
[Ciais et al., Nature (2005)]





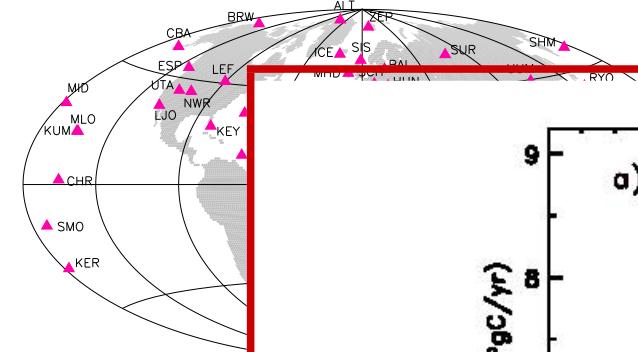
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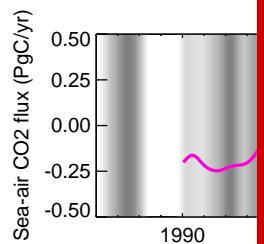


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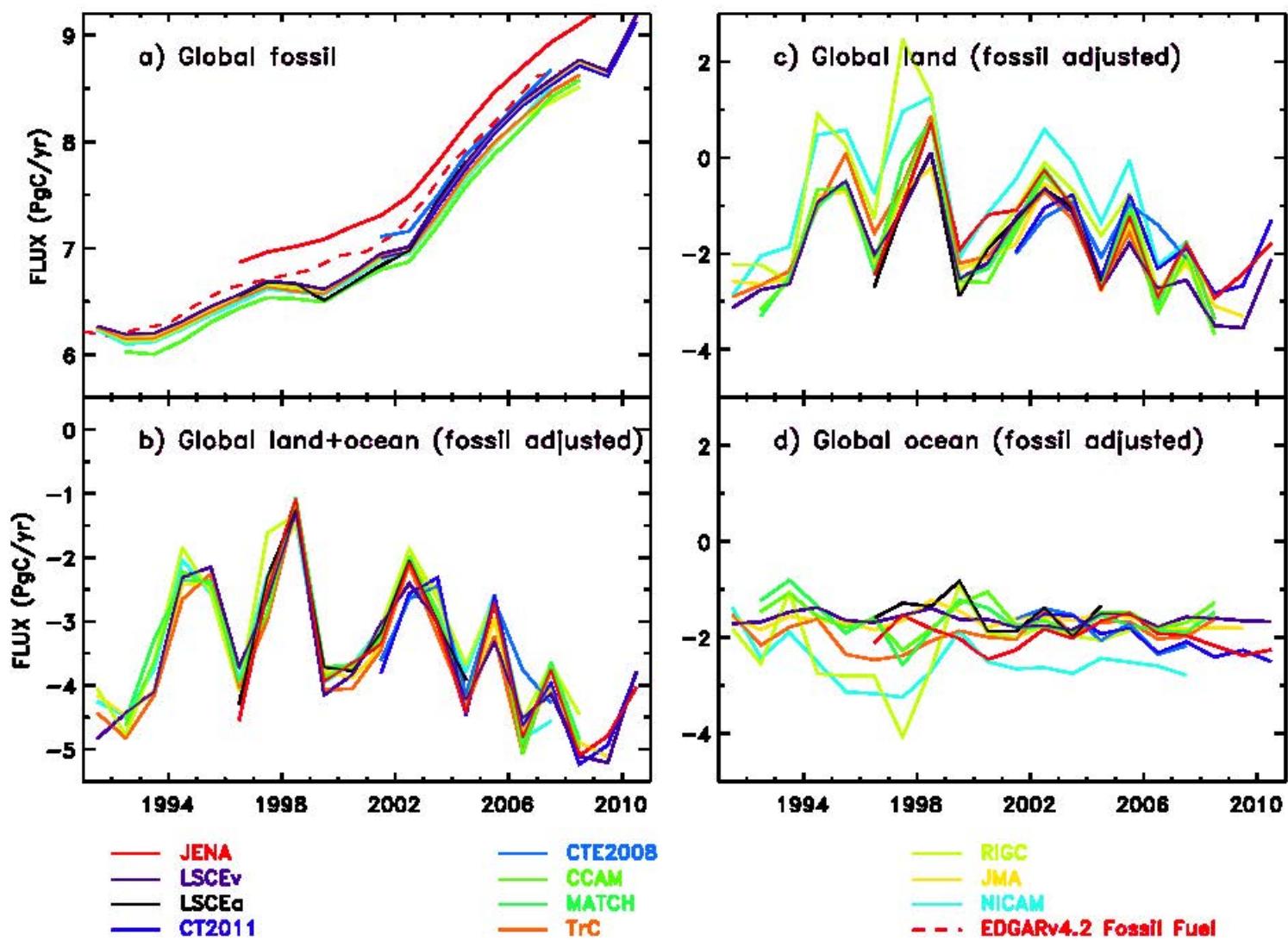
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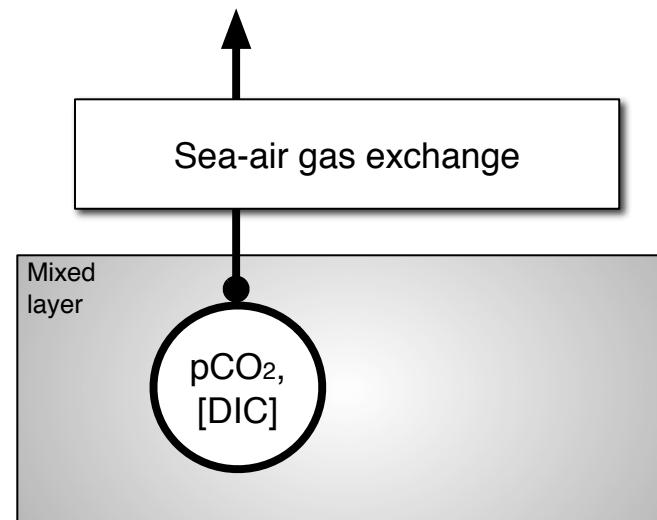
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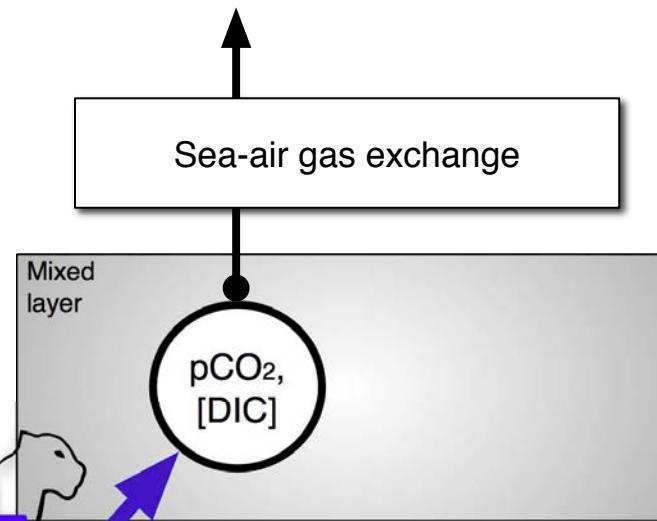
**But:**



[Peylin et al., RECCAP (2013)]



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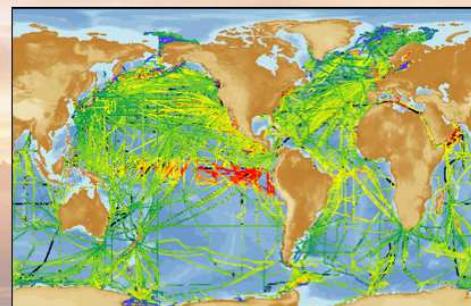
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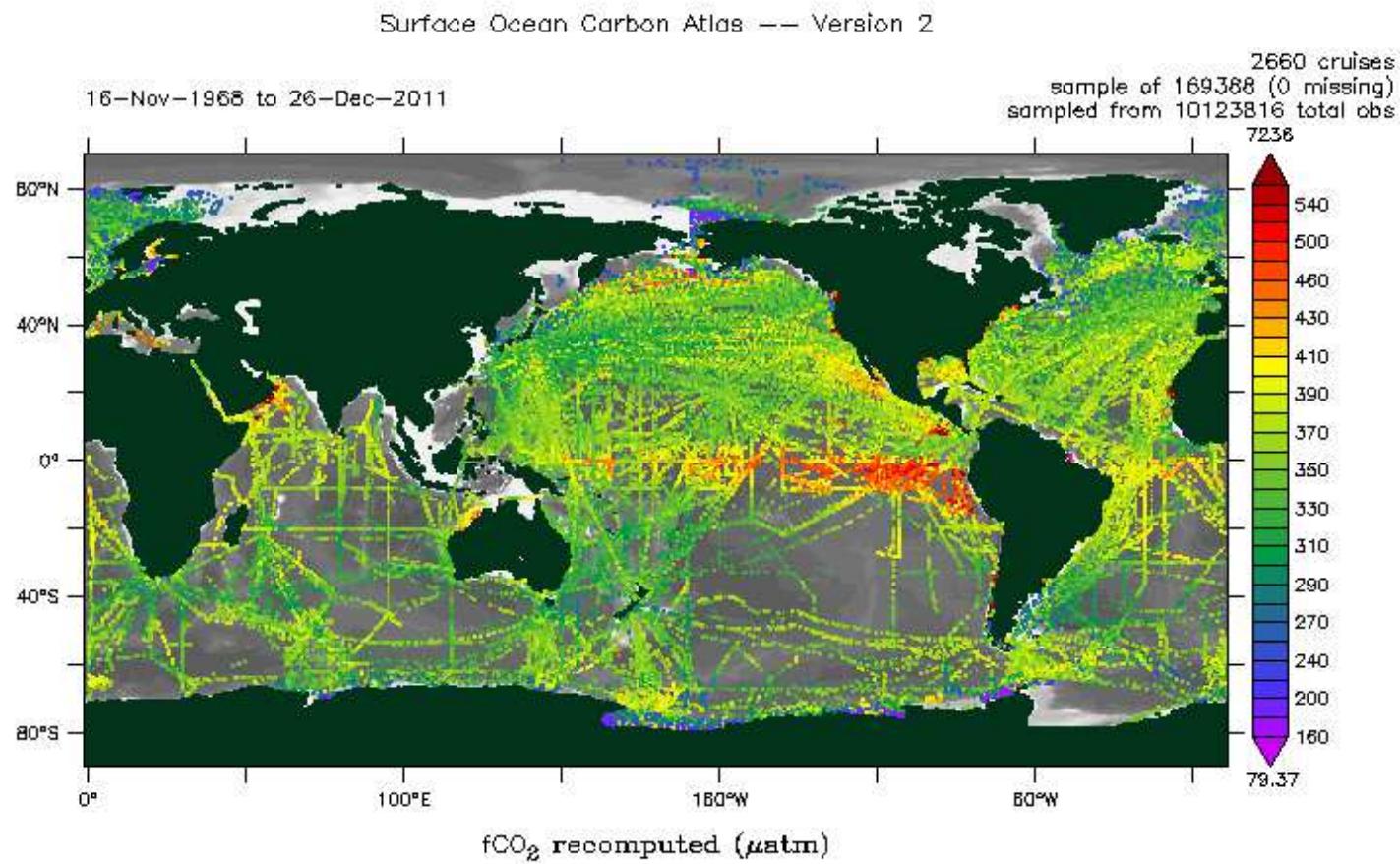
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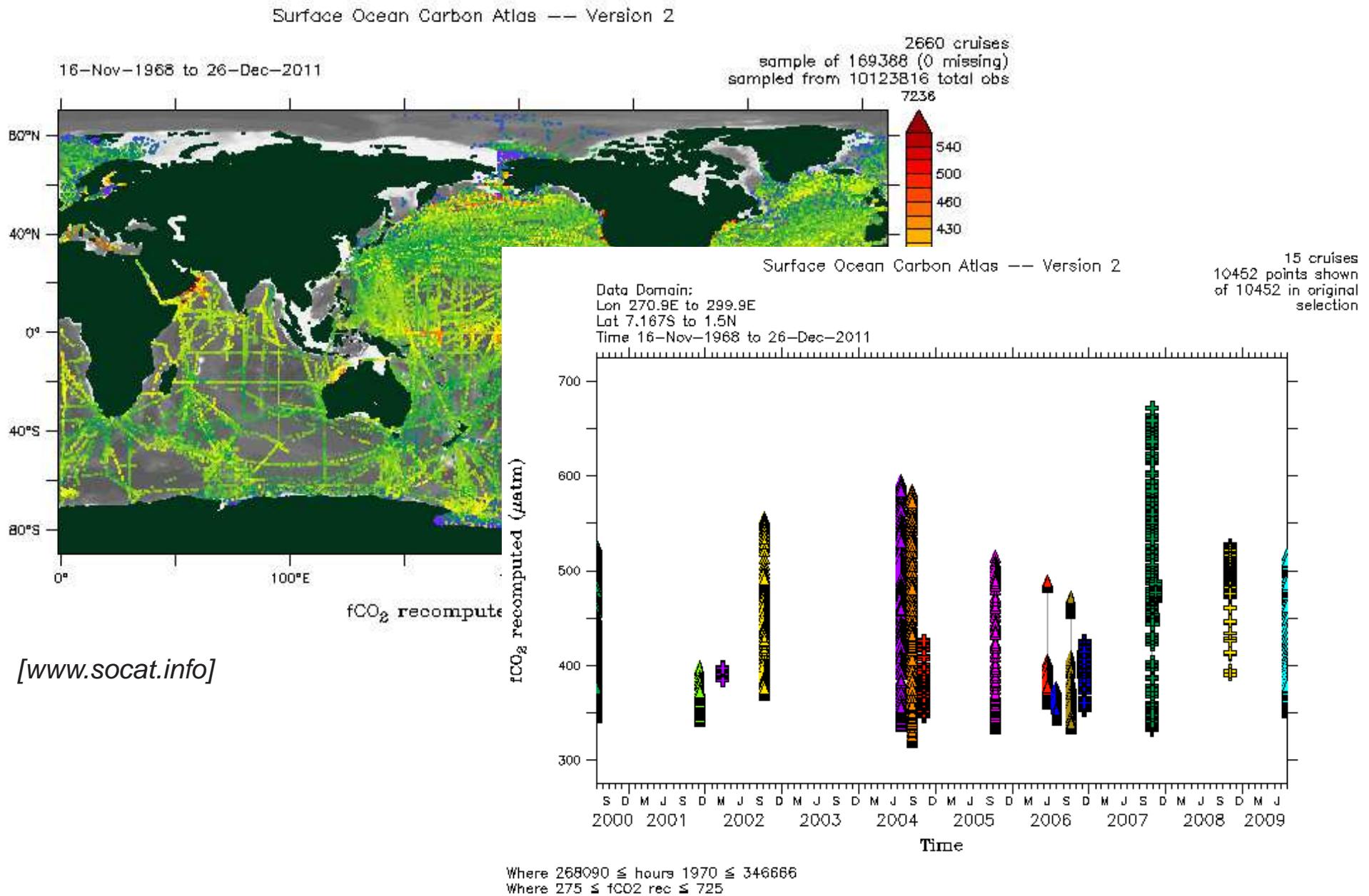
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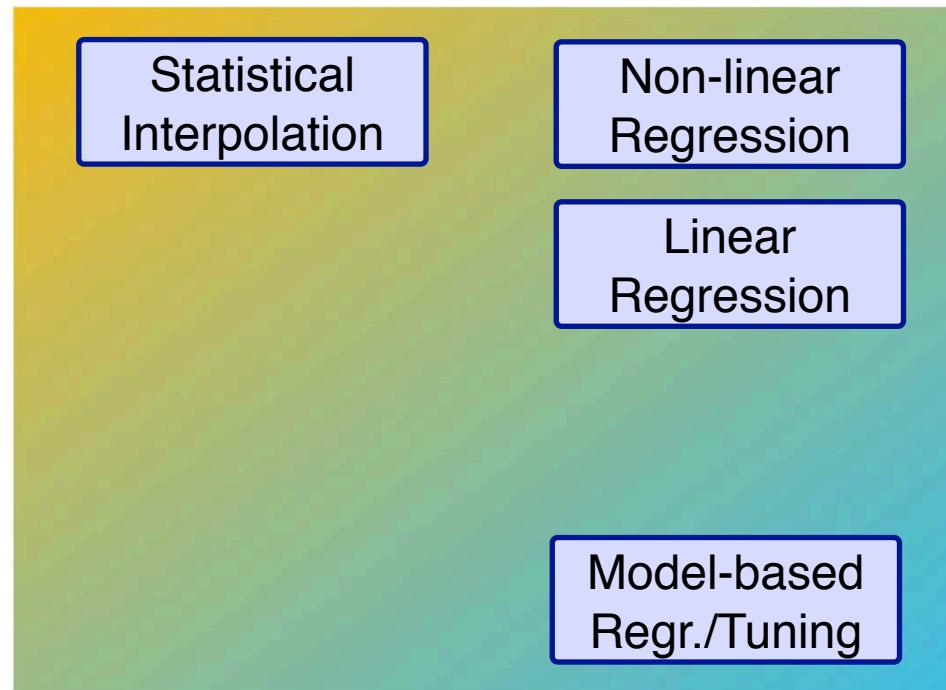


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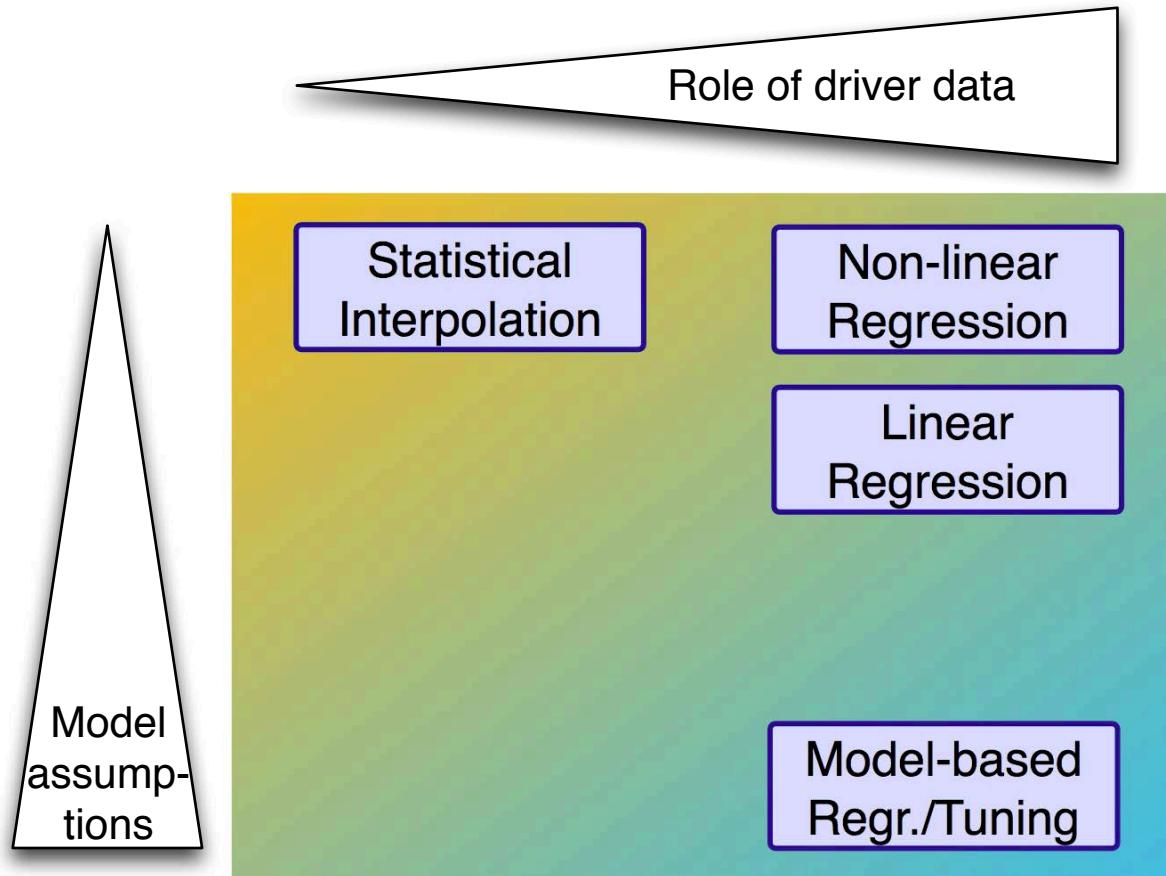
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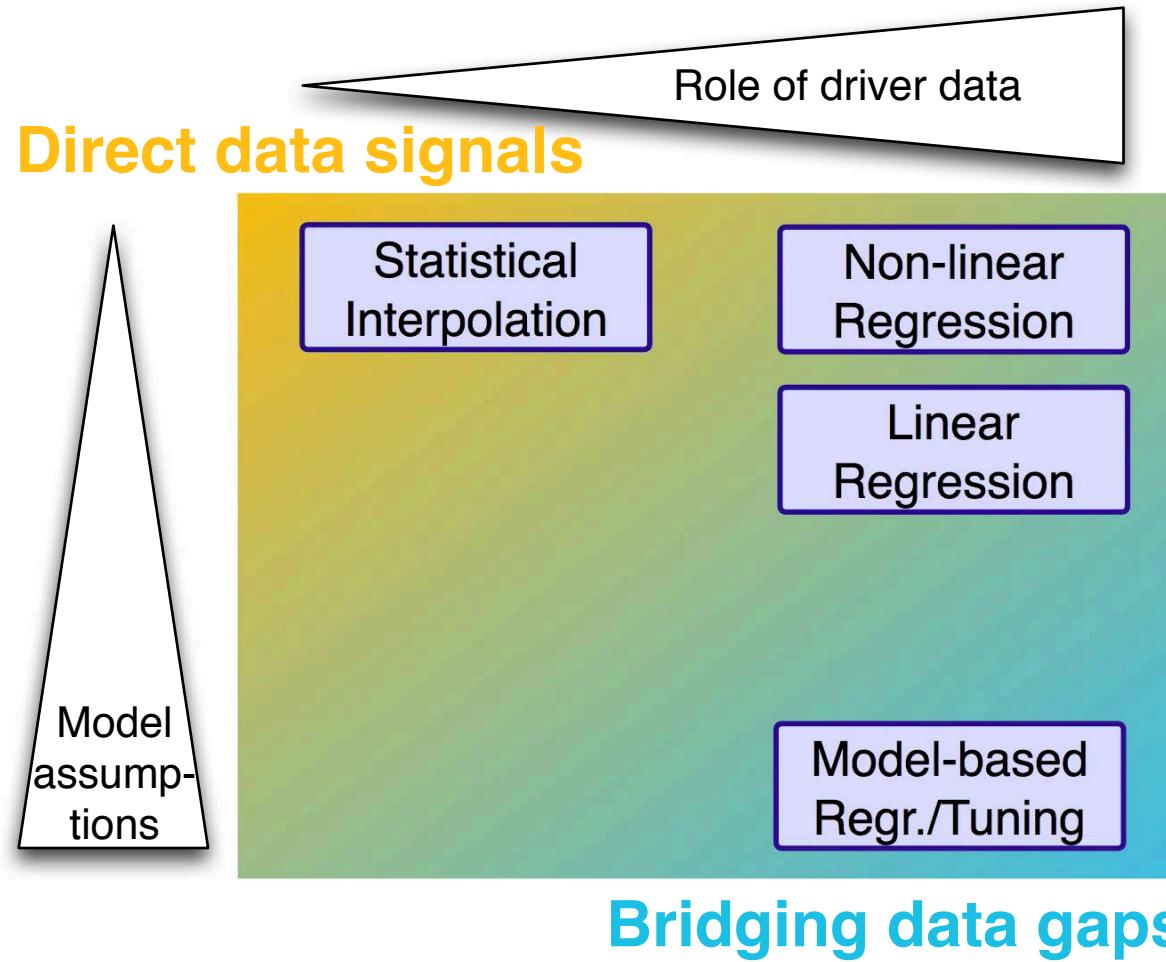
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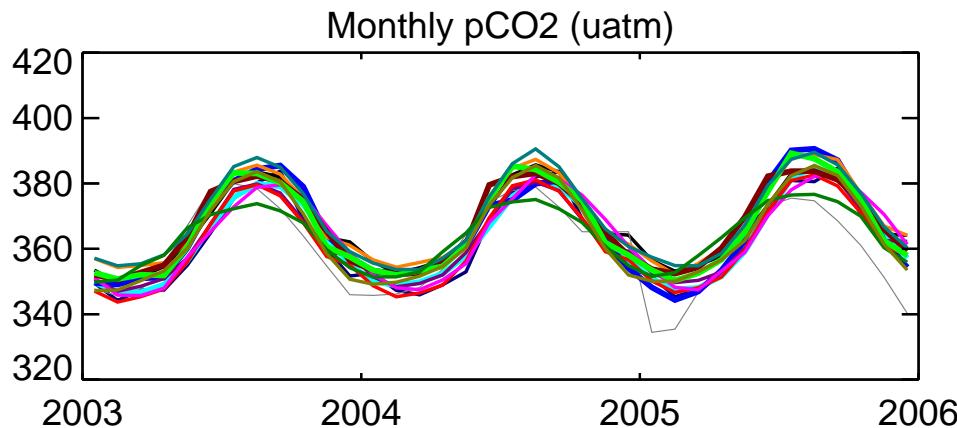
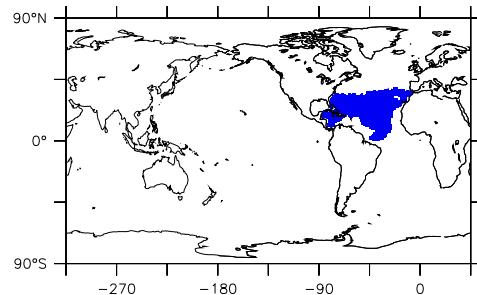
**SOCOM: Collating 14 mapping methods**



# First SOCOM results

[Rödenbeck et al., BG (2015)]

- UEA-SI
- OceanFlux-SI
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## Seasonality:

Most methods roughly agree  
on phasing and amplitude

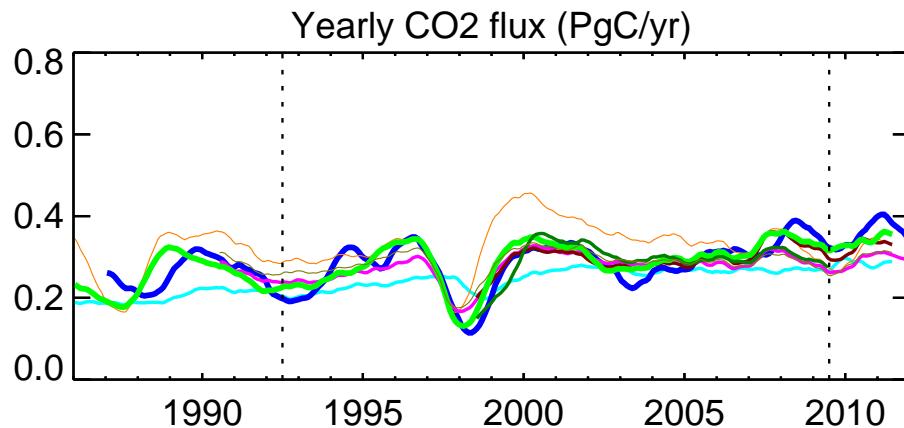
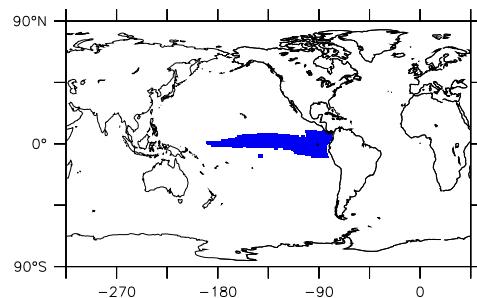
(also to Takahashi et al., 2009)

→ Seasonality well constrained from data

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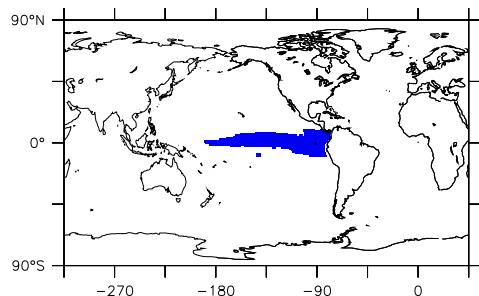
*Methods selected / weighted by relative IAV mismatch to SOCATv2*

*Thicker lines:*  
methods **better matching** the data  
also **mutually agree** more closely

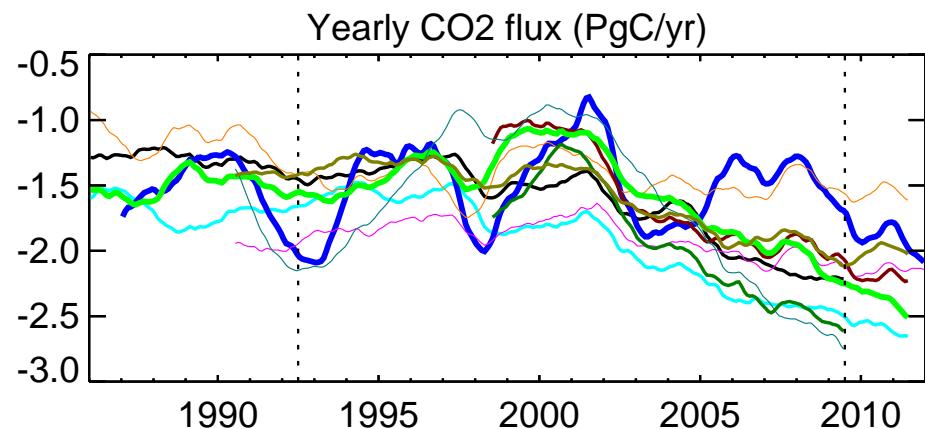
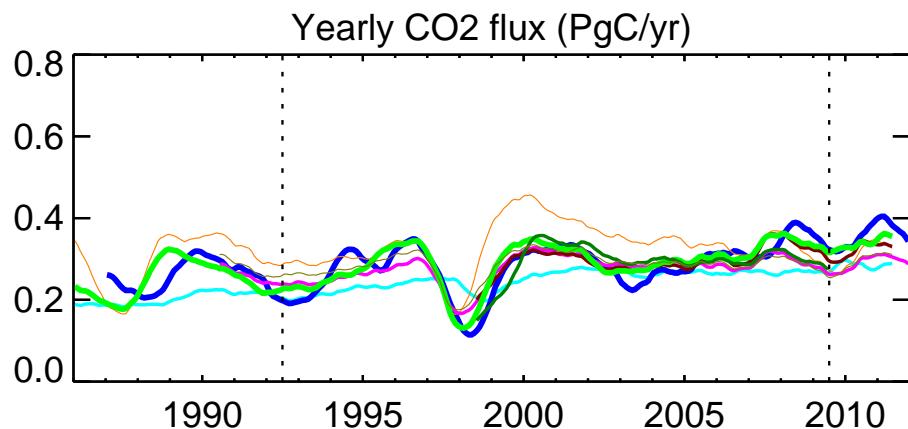
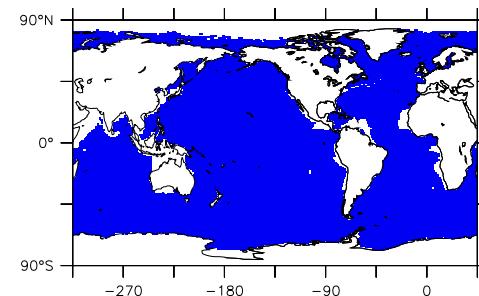
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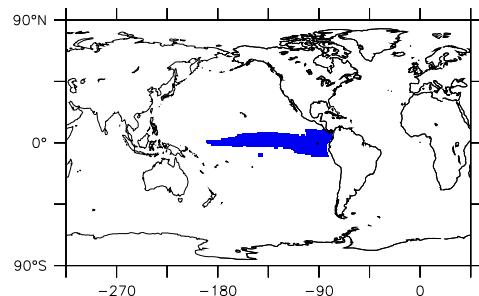
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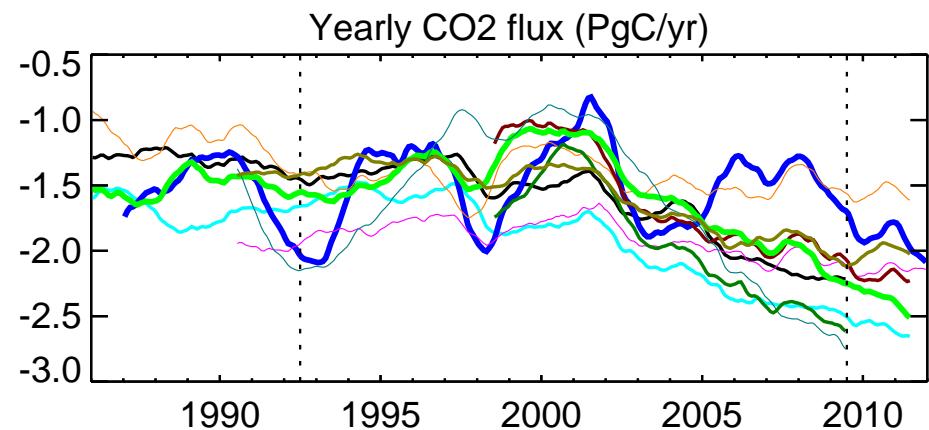
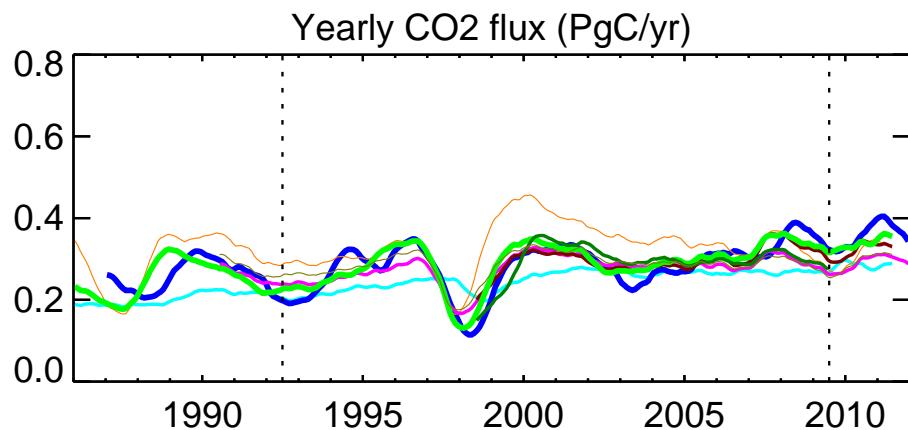
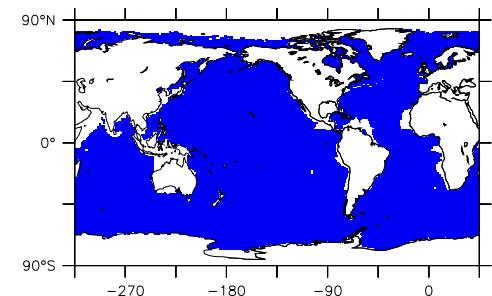
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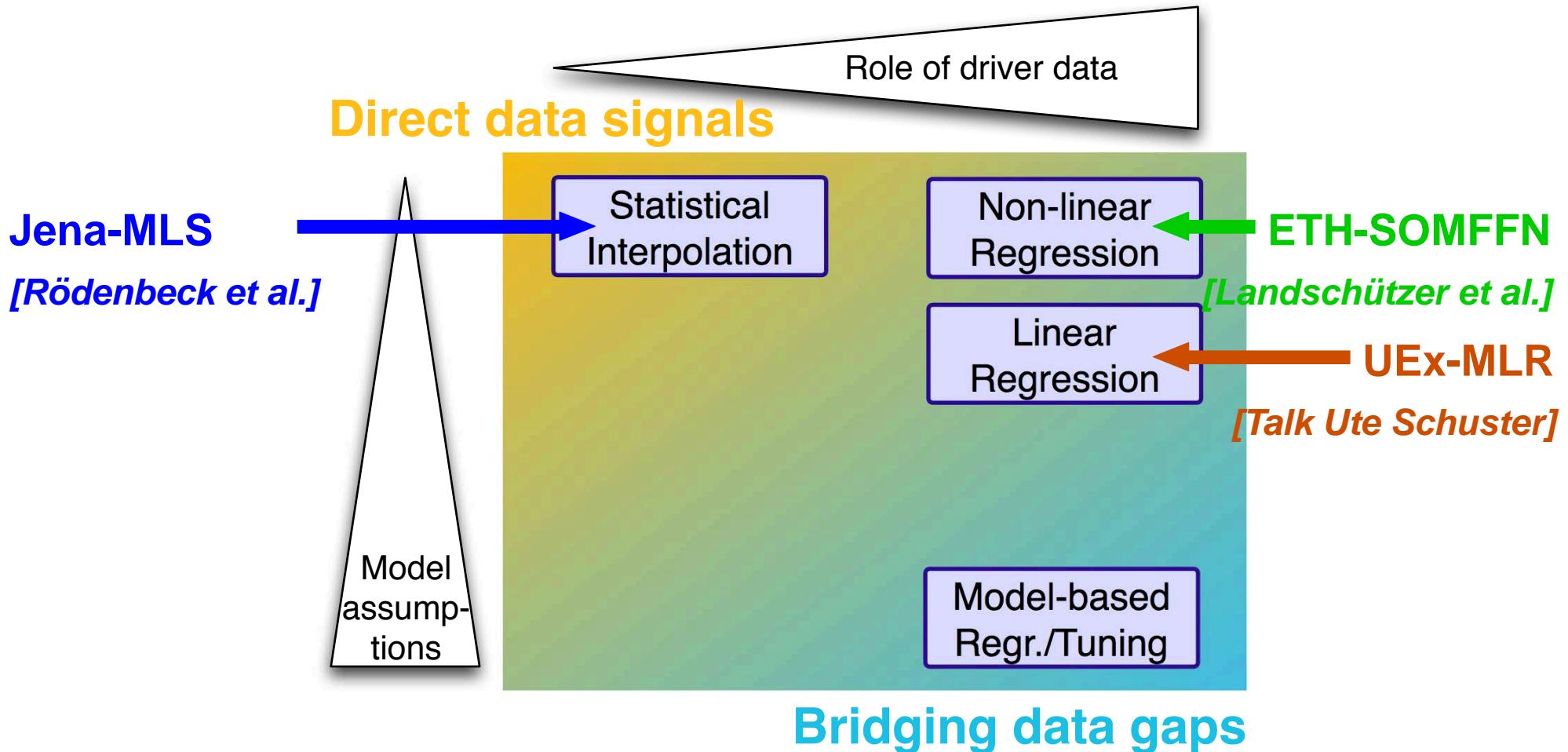


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Little decadal change      Increasing sink

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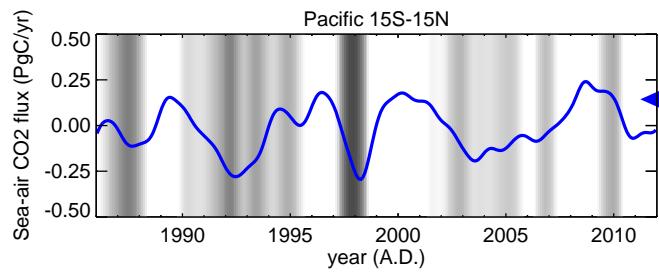
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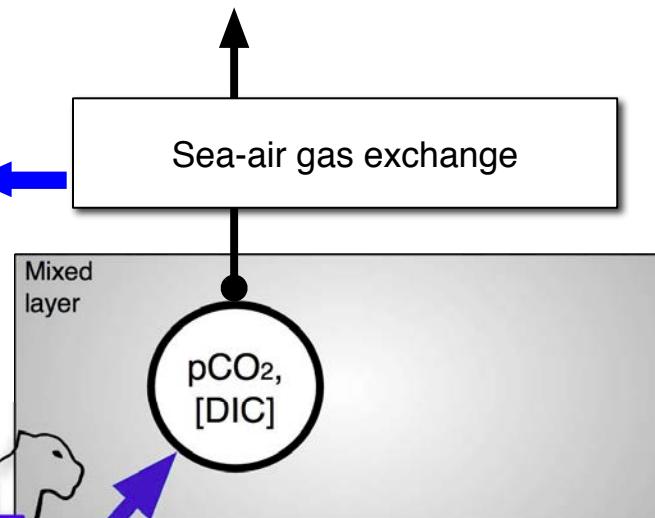
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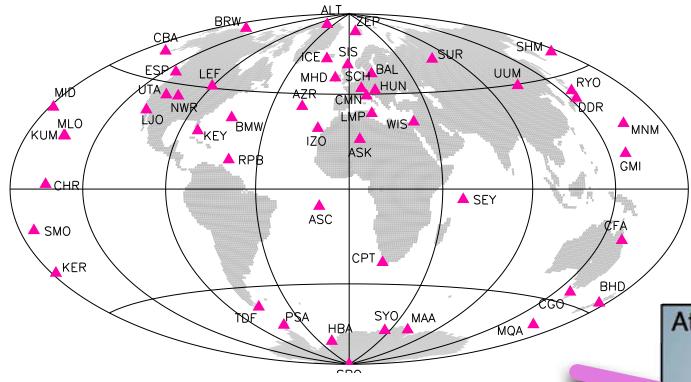
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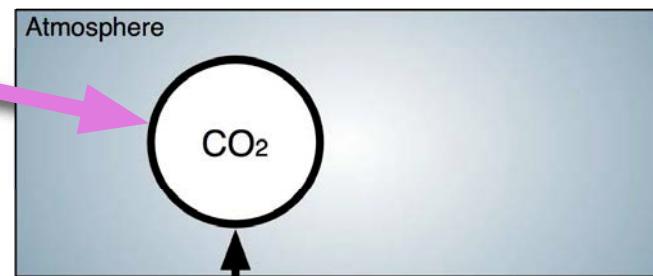
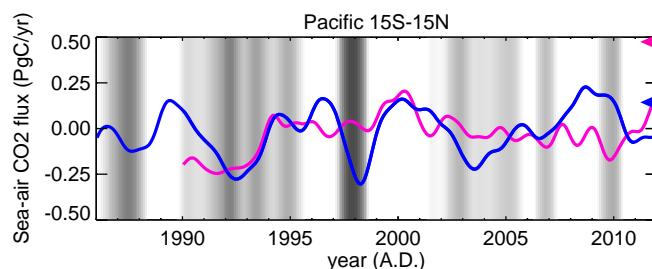
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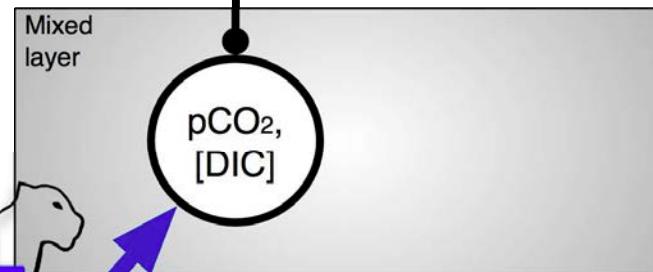
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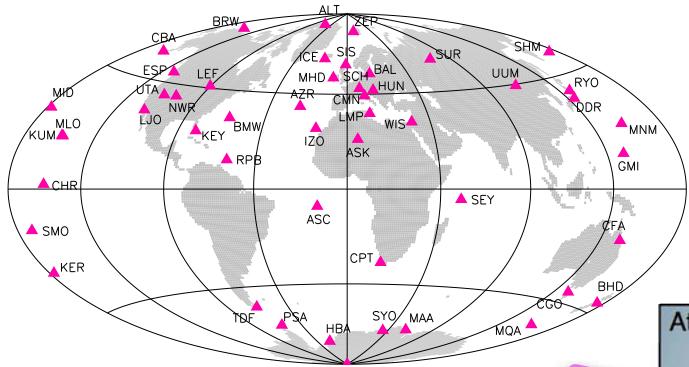


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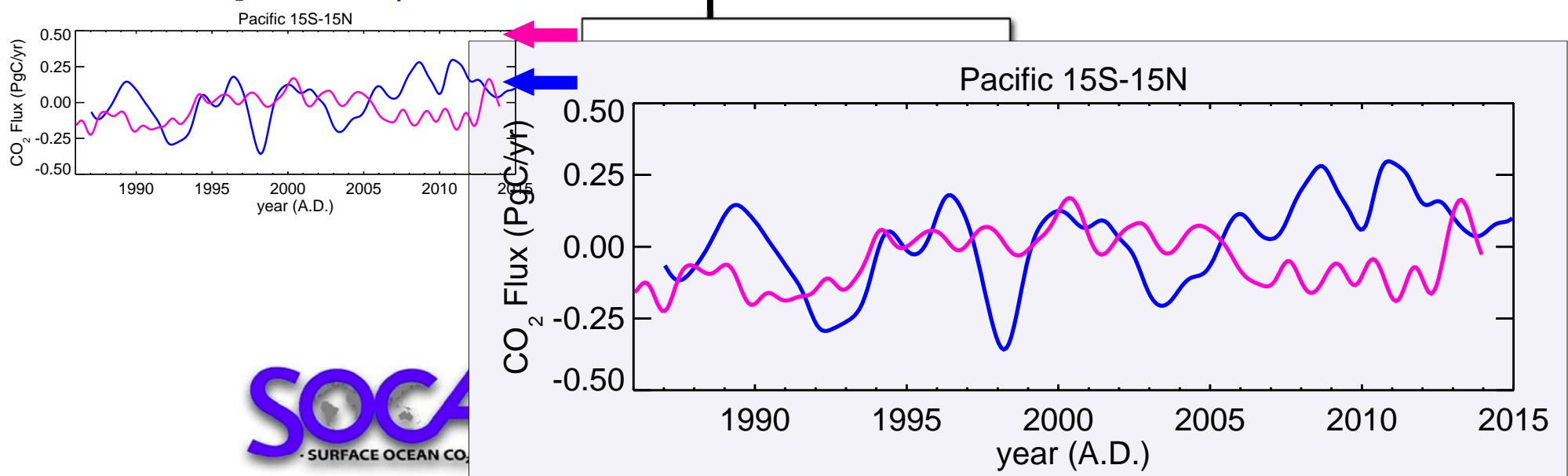
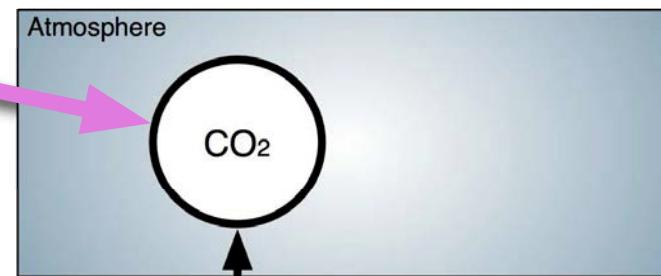
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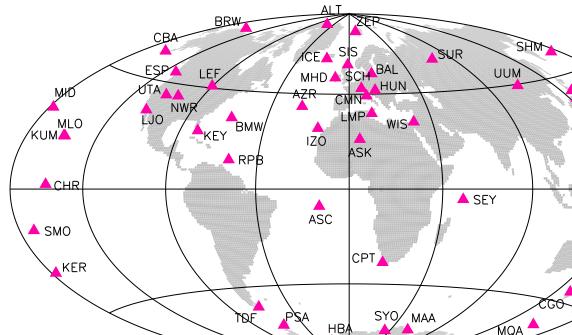
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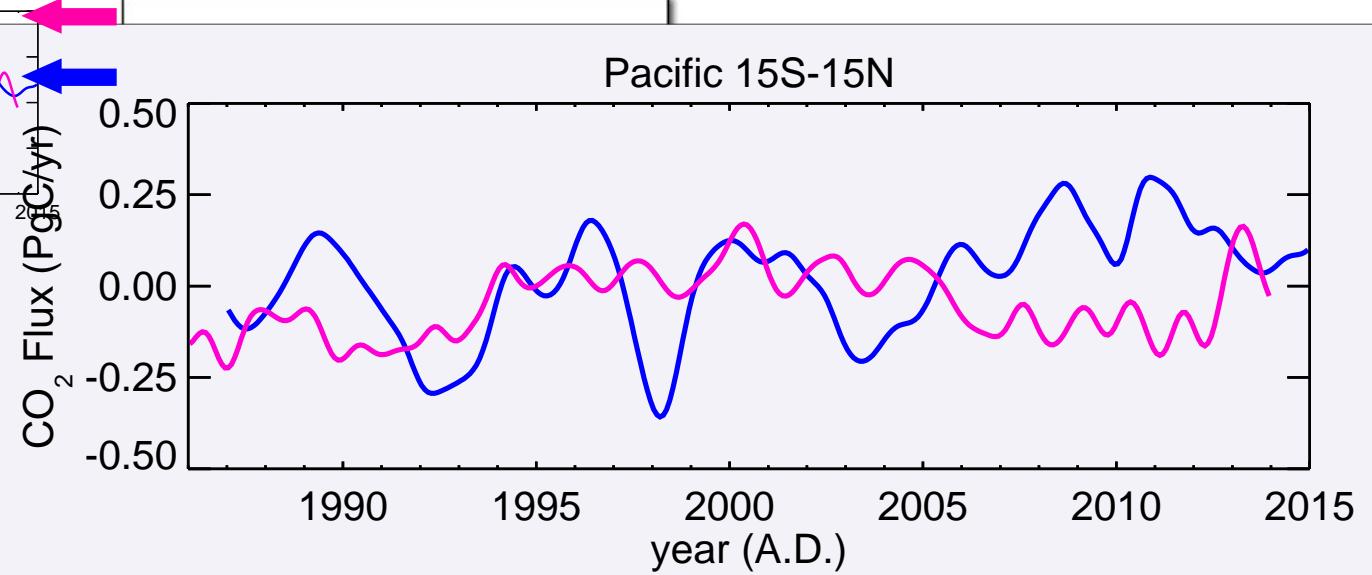
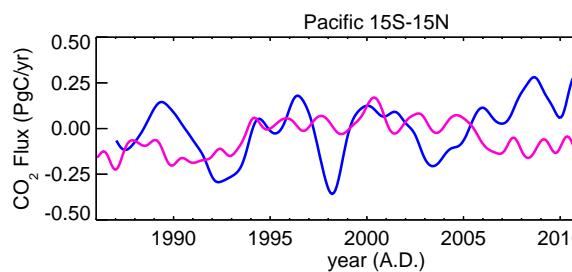
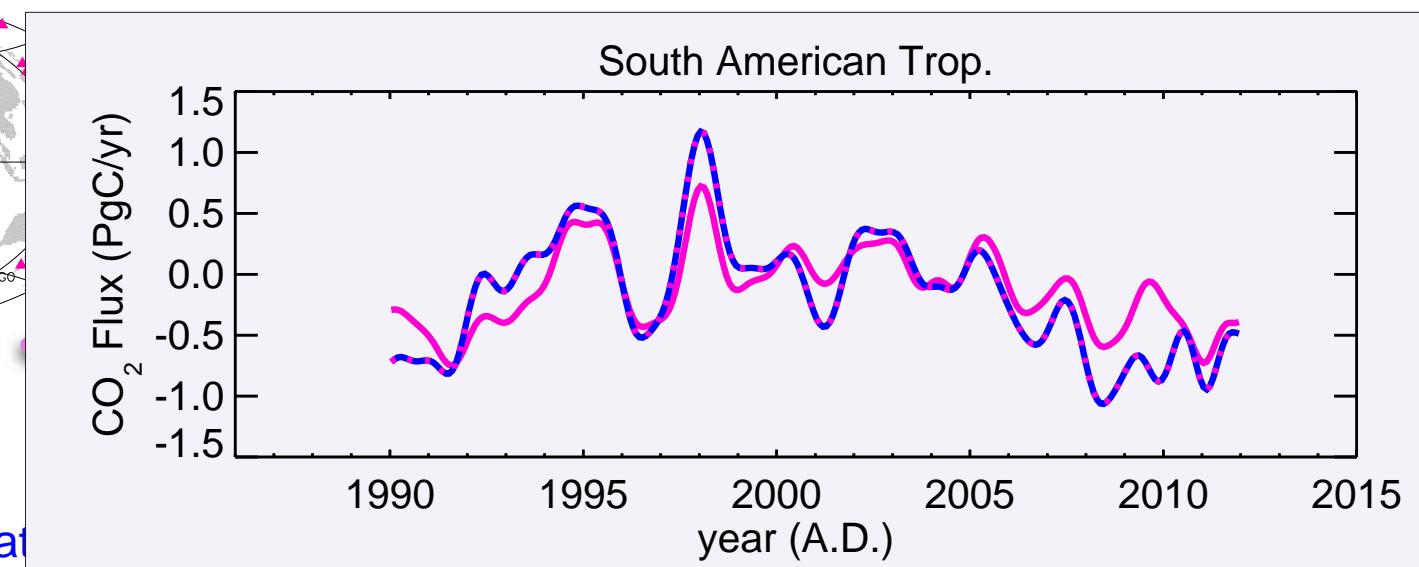
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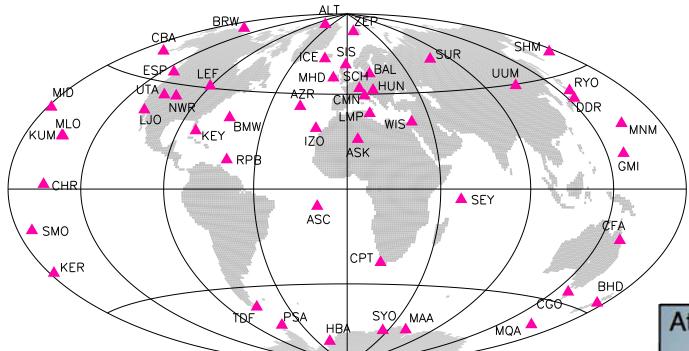
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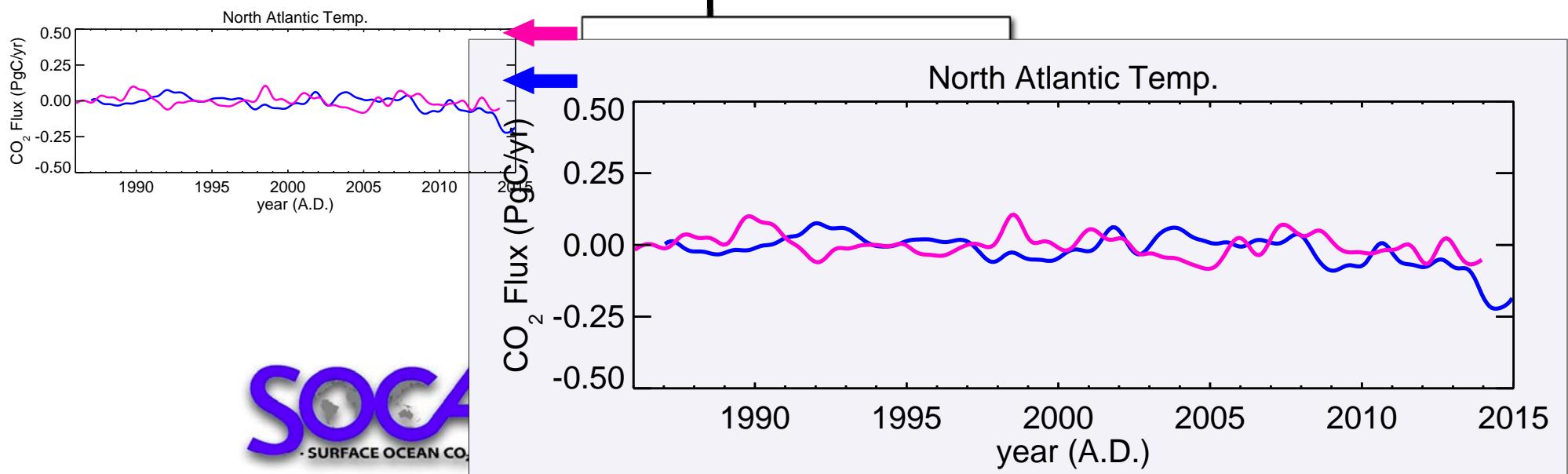
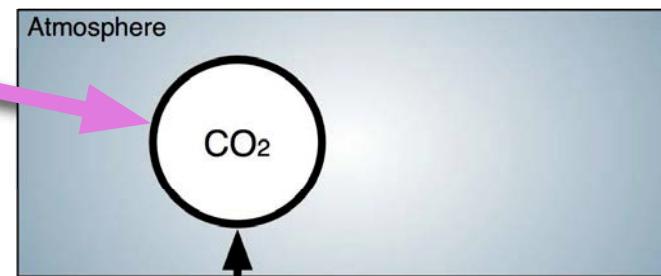
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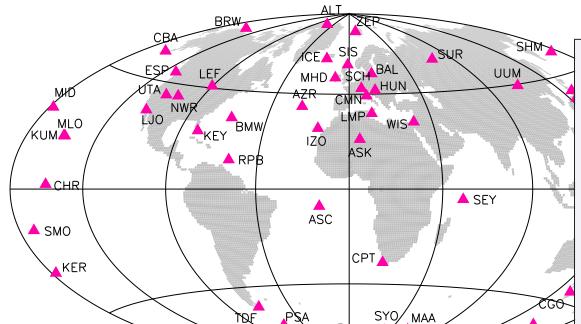
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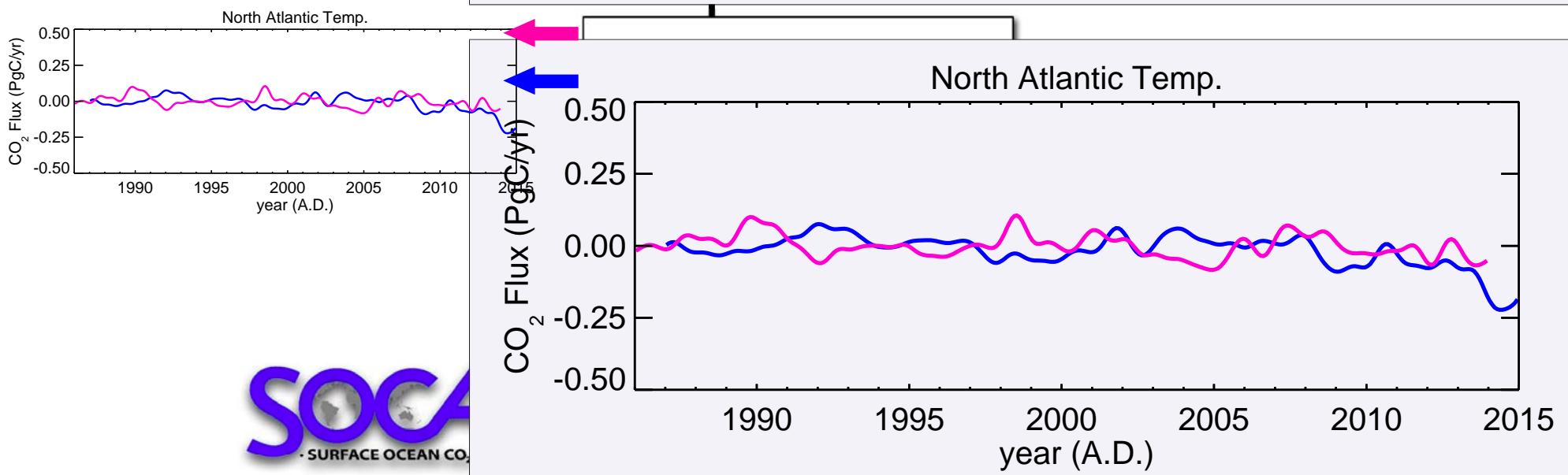
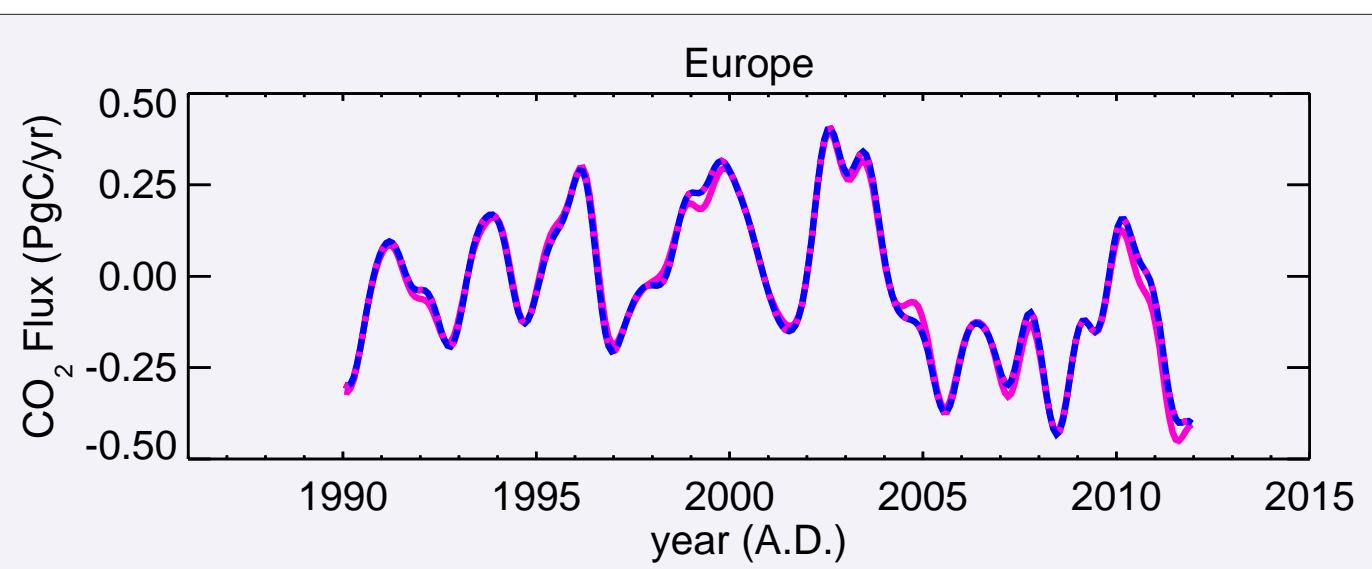
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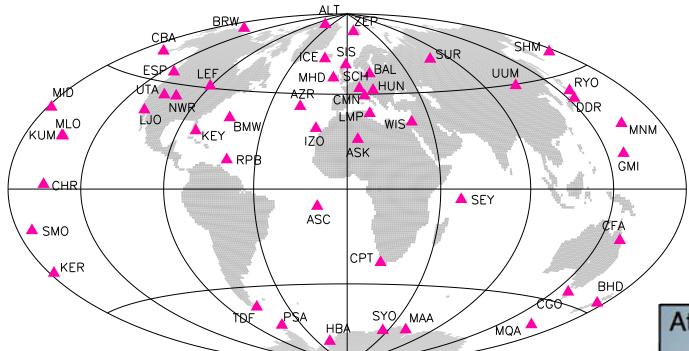
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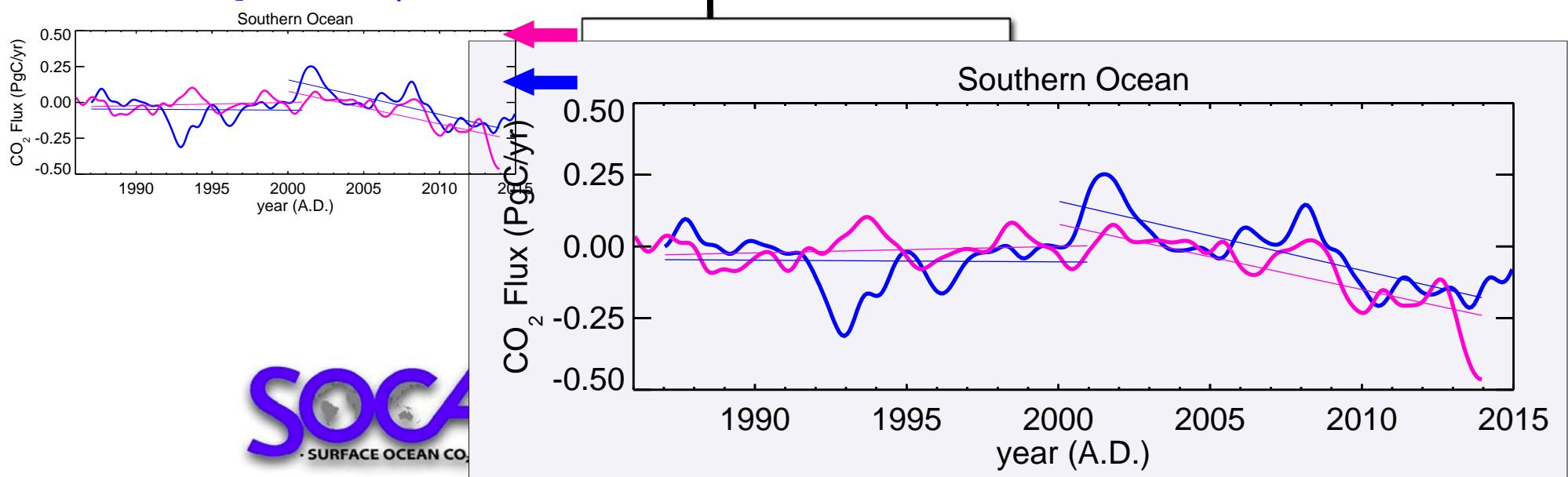
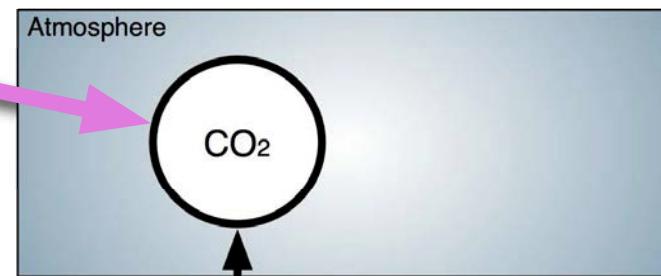




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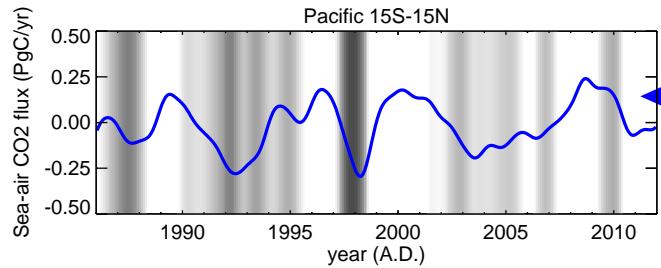
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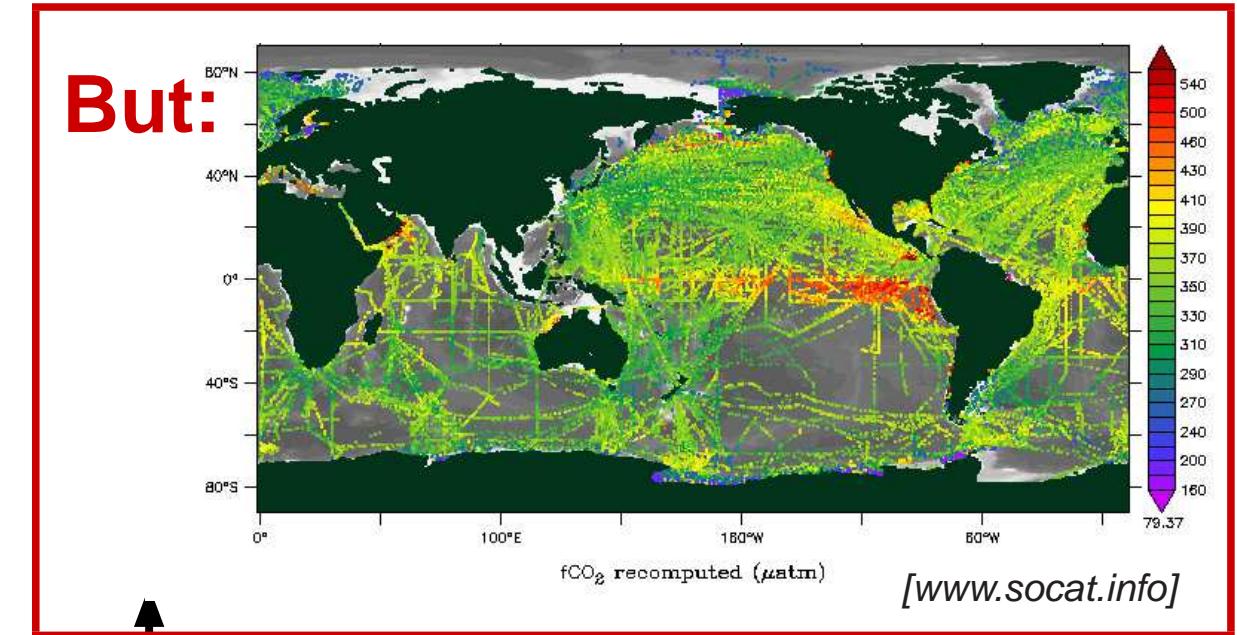


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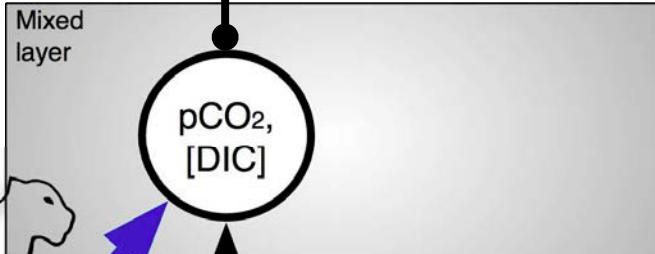
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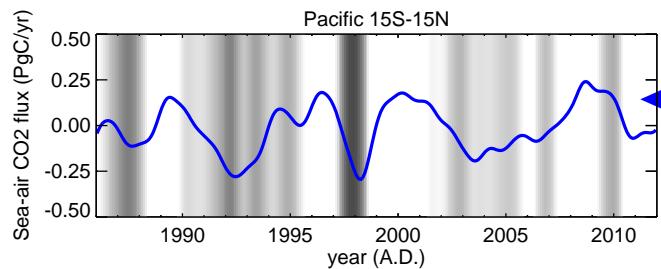


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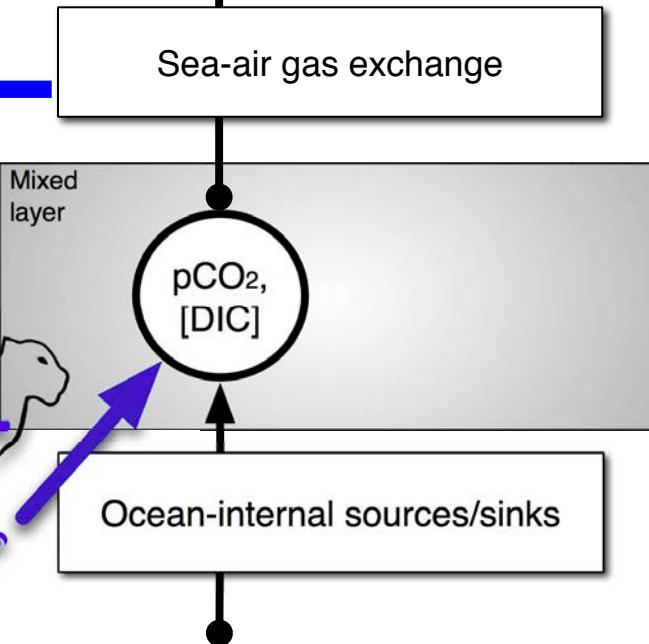
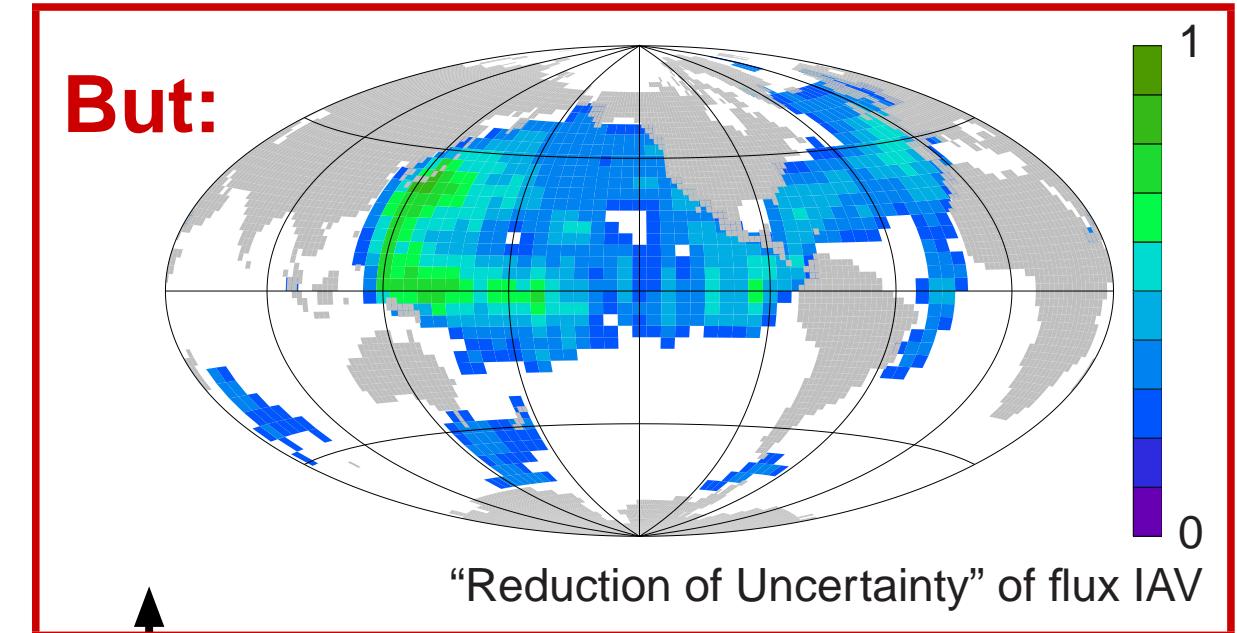


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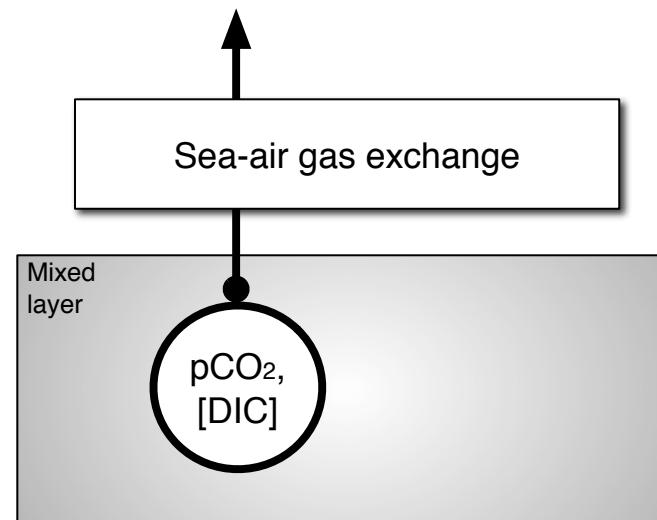
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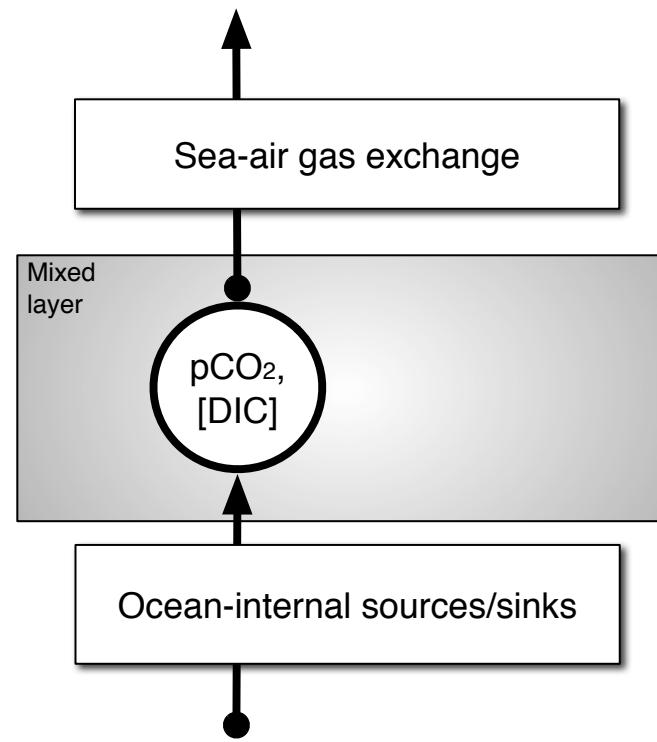
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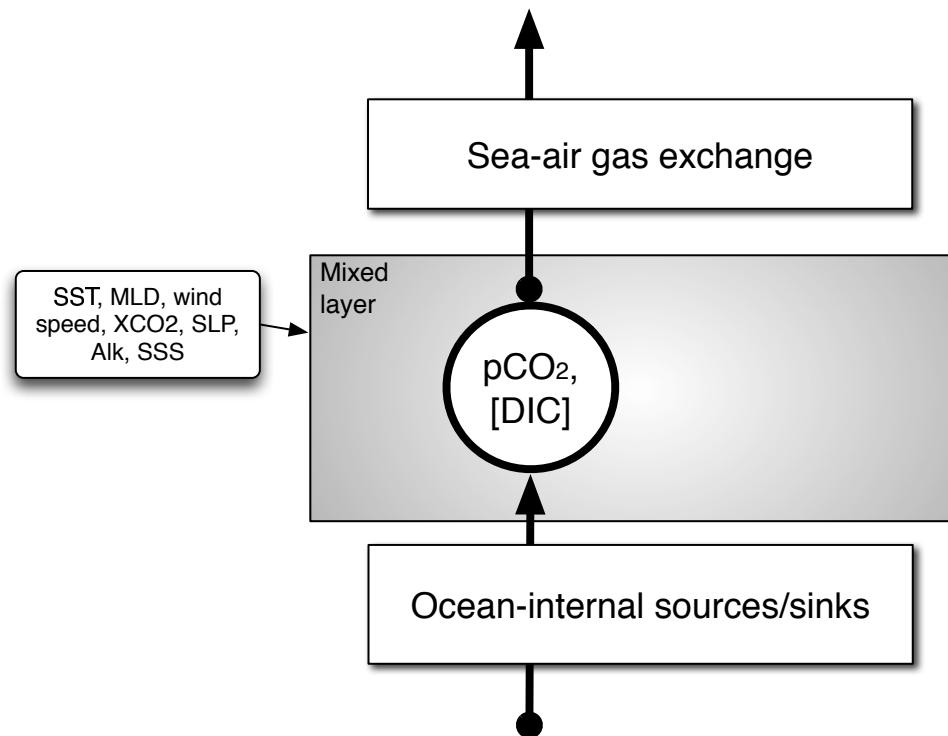
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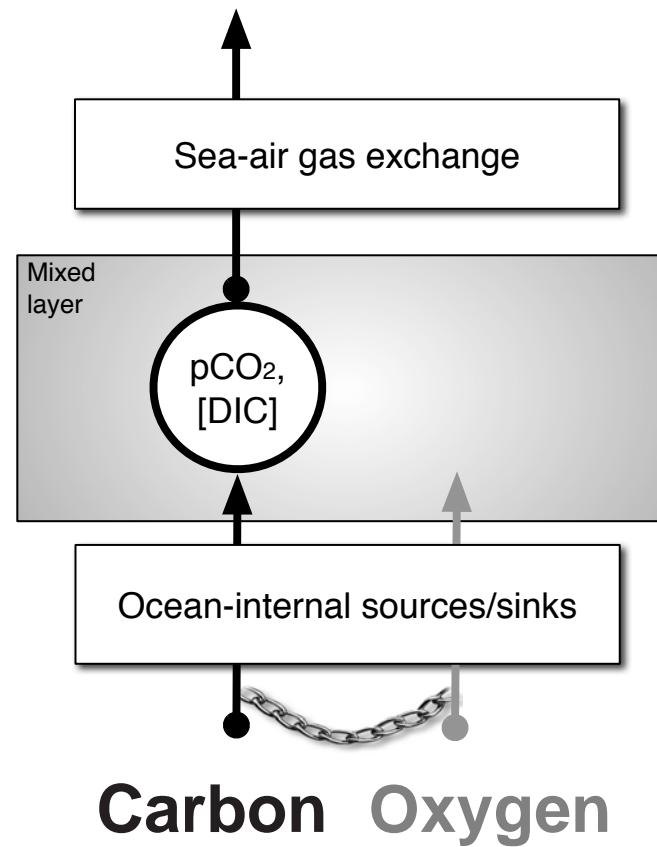


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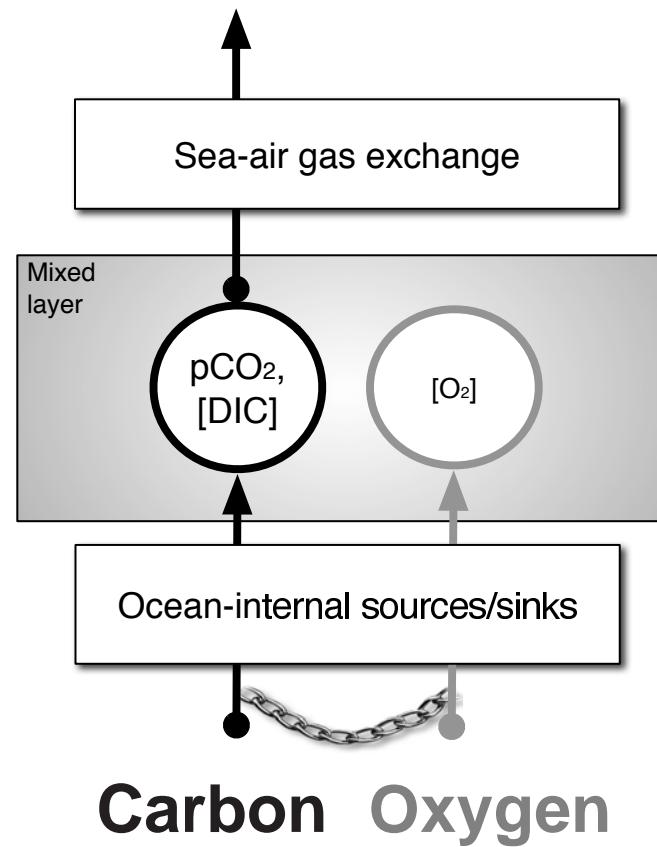
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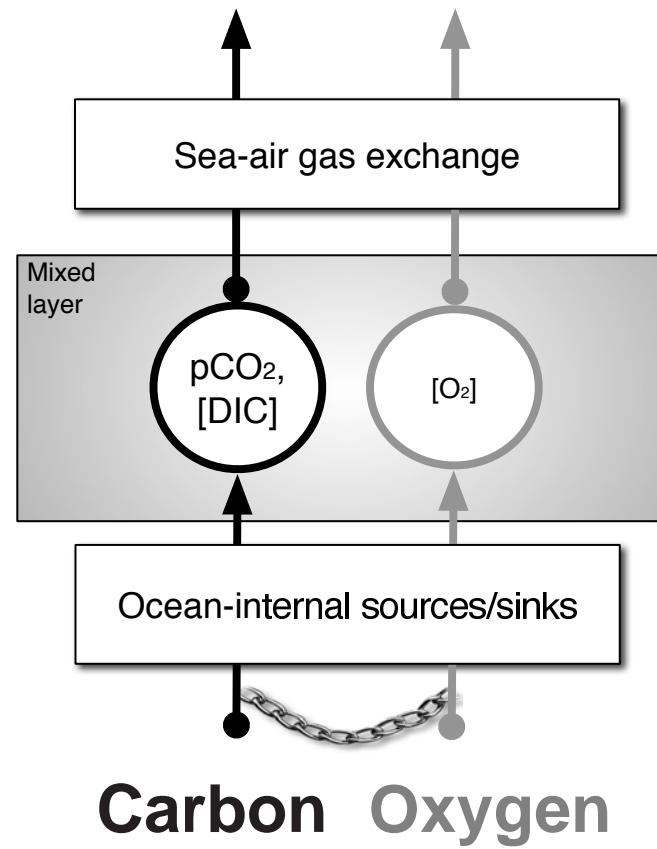
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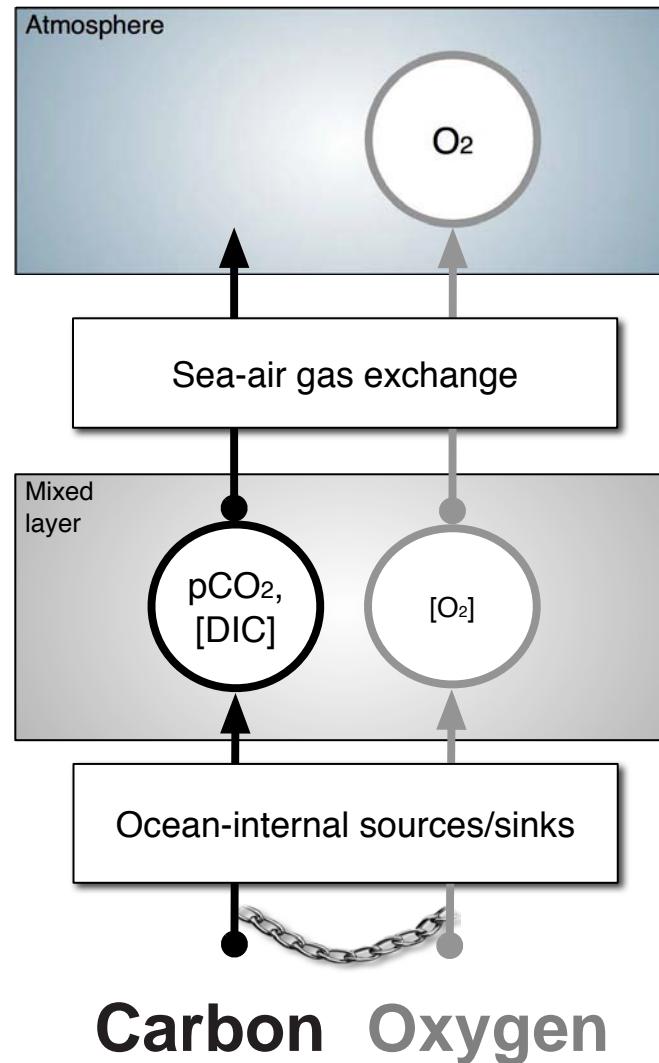
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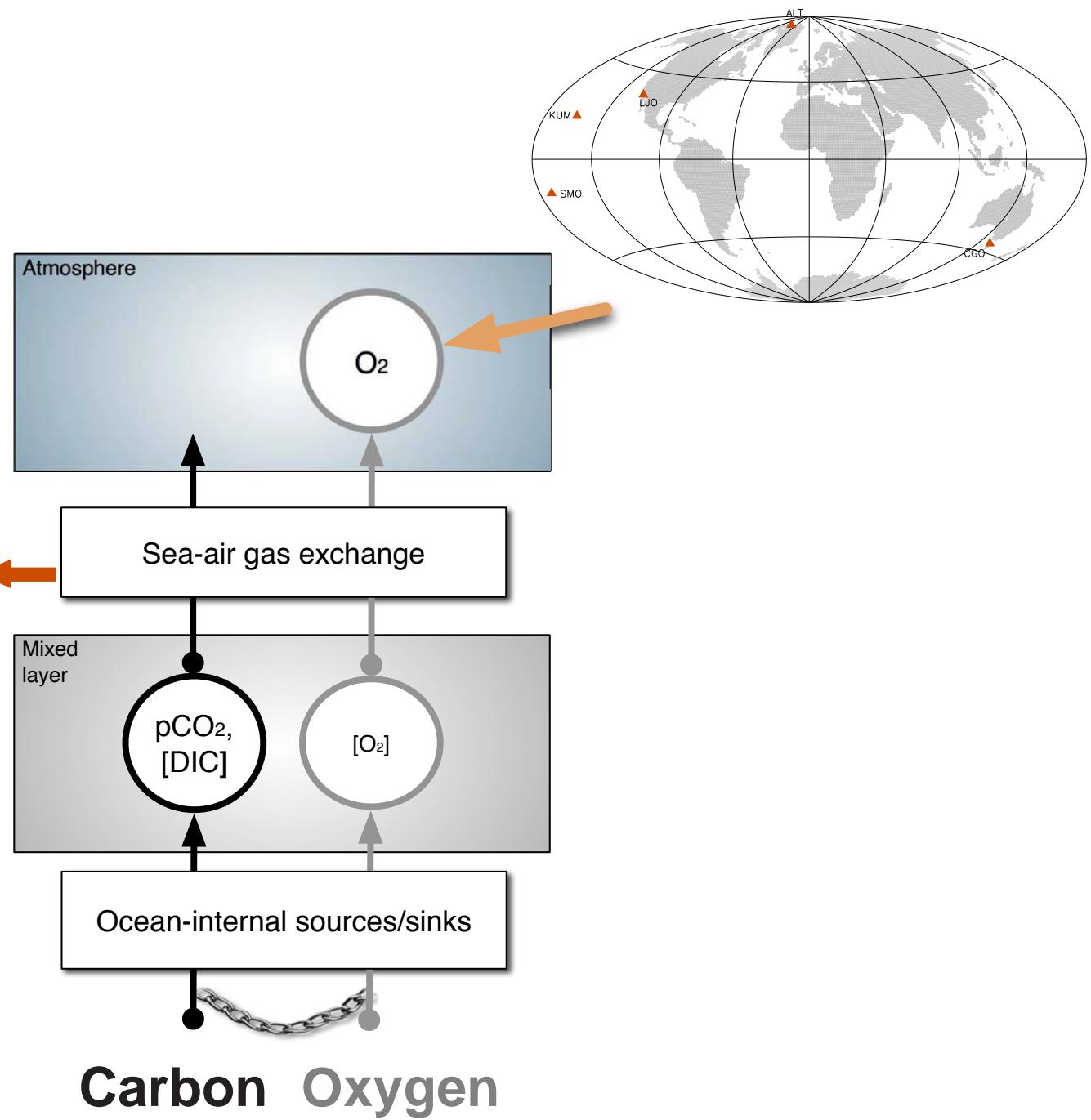
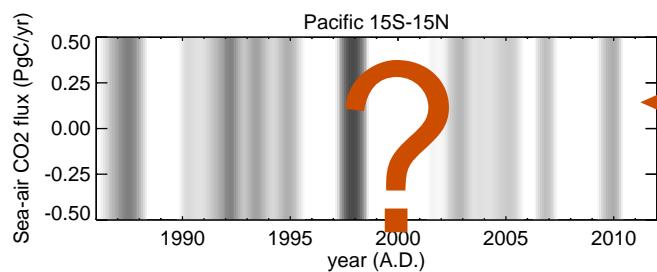


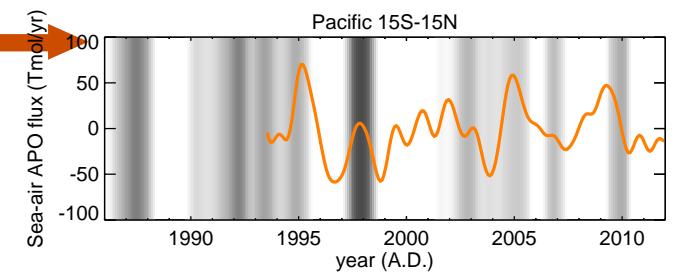
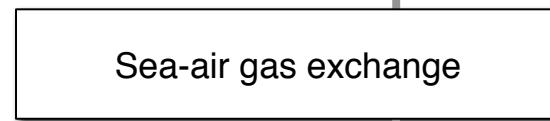
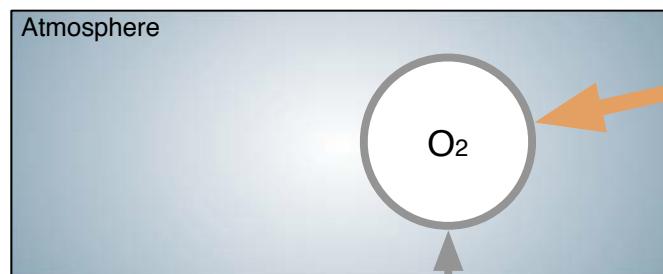
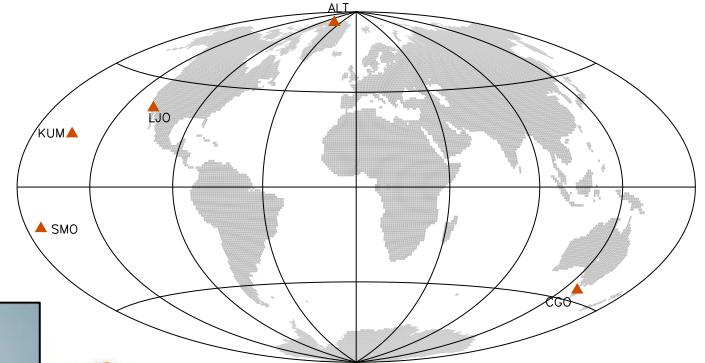
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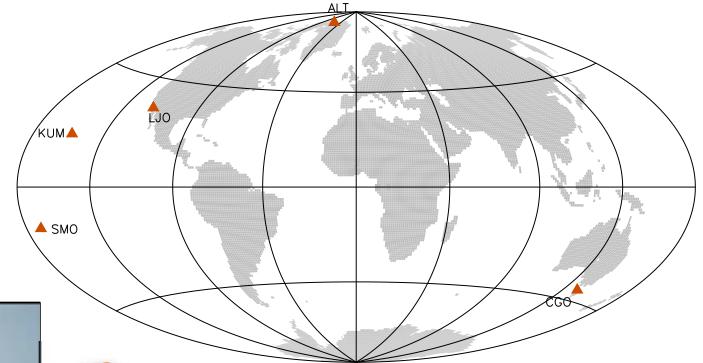
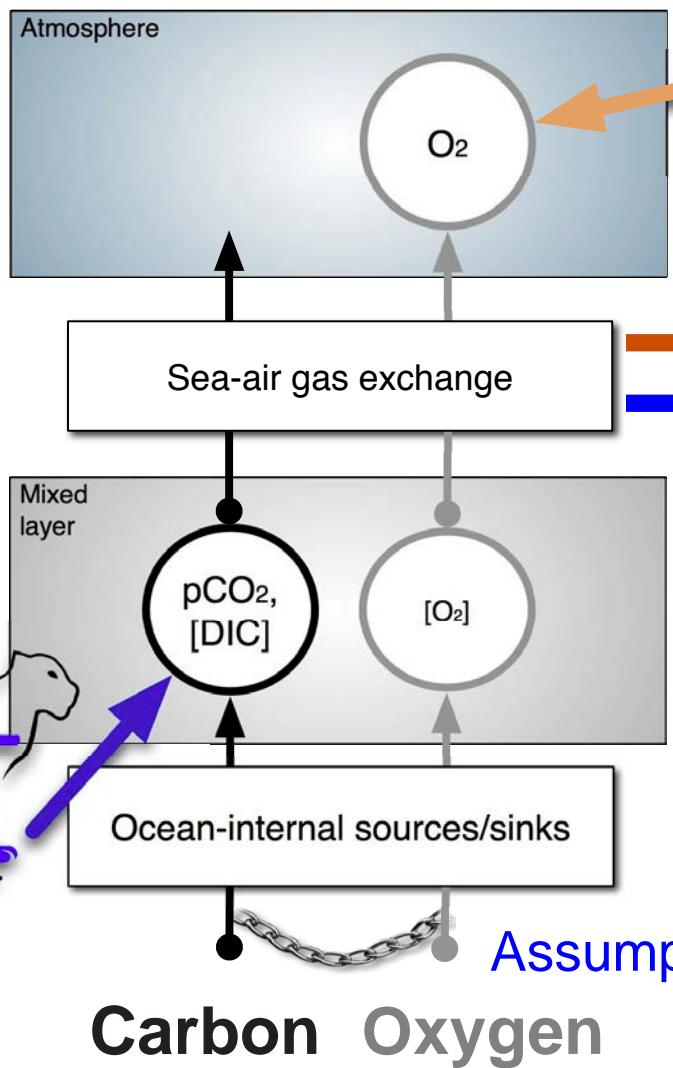
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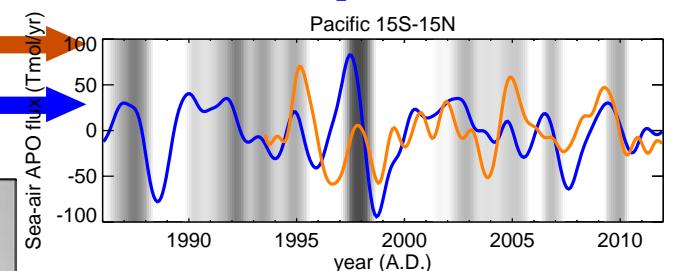


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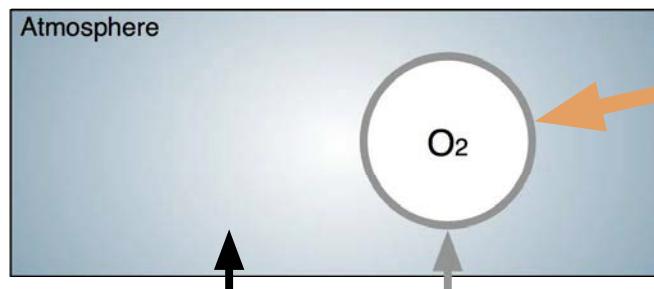
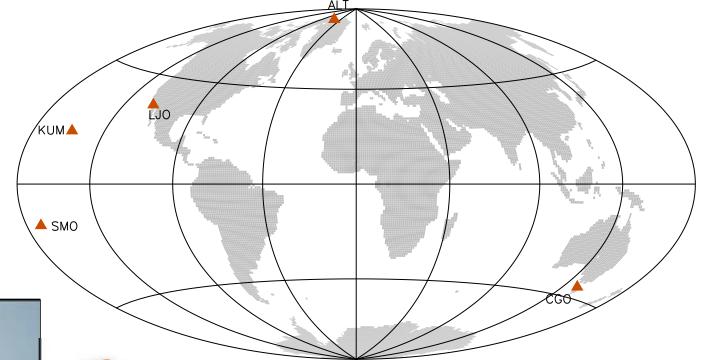
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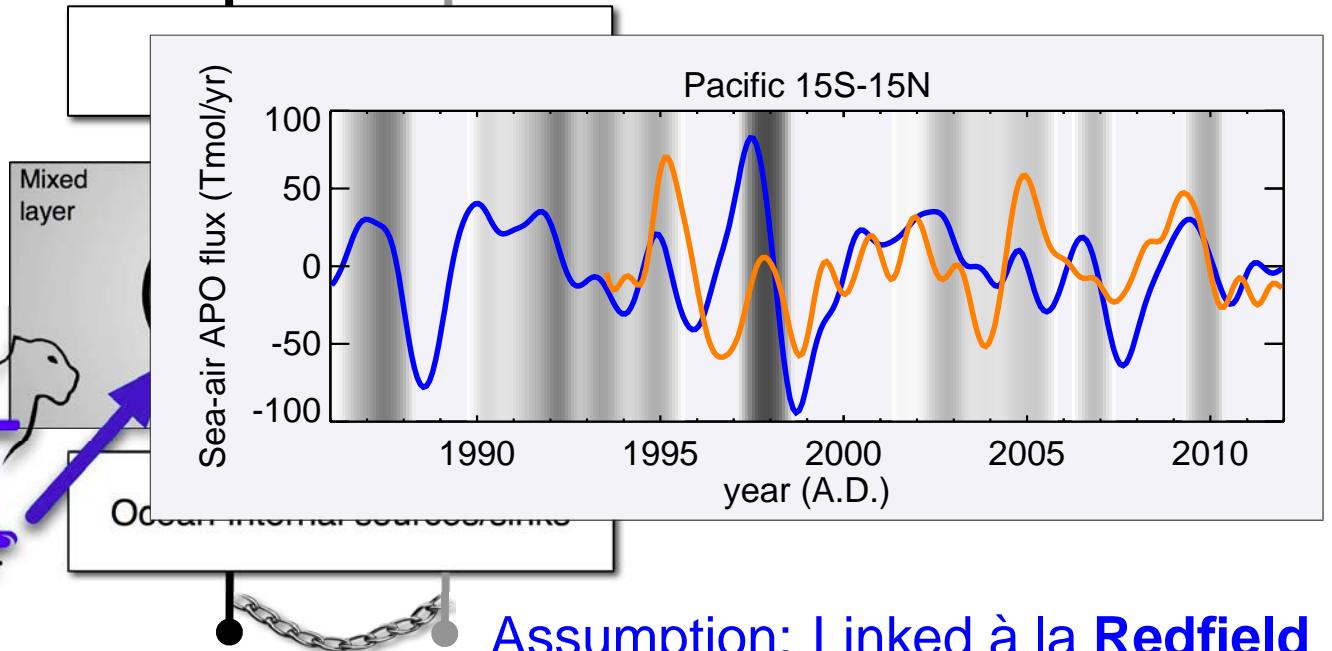


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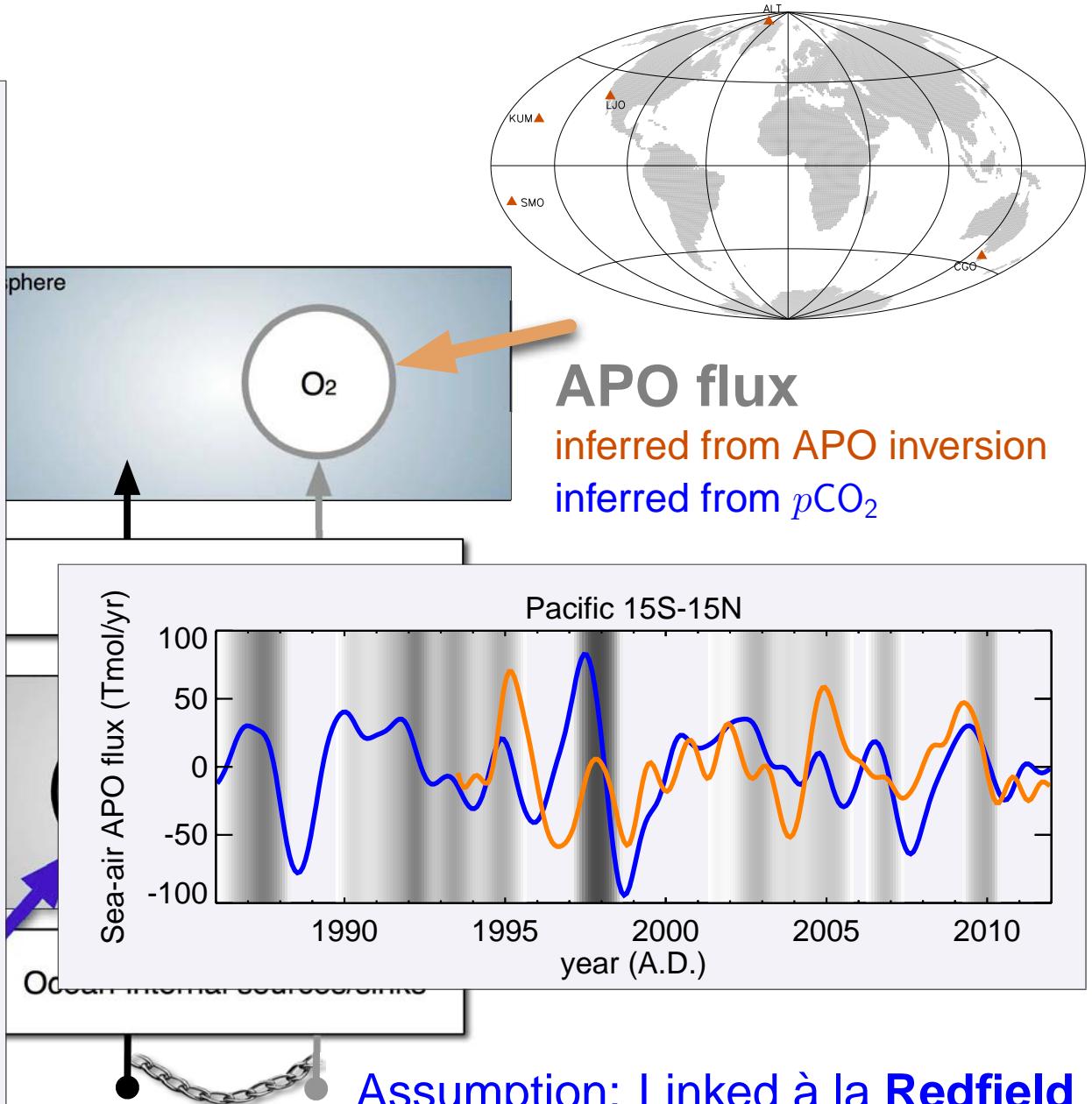
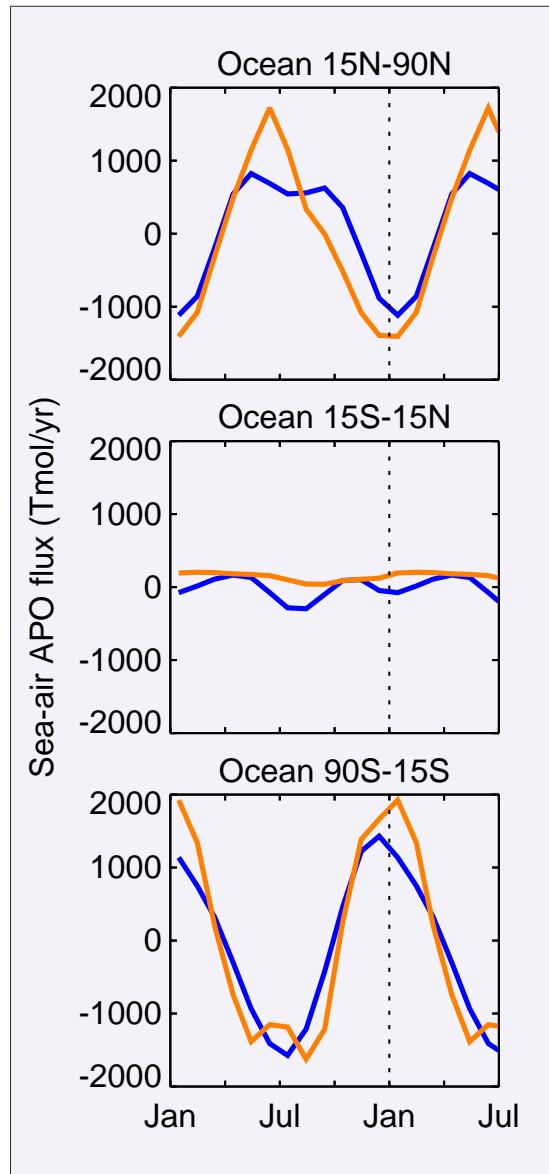
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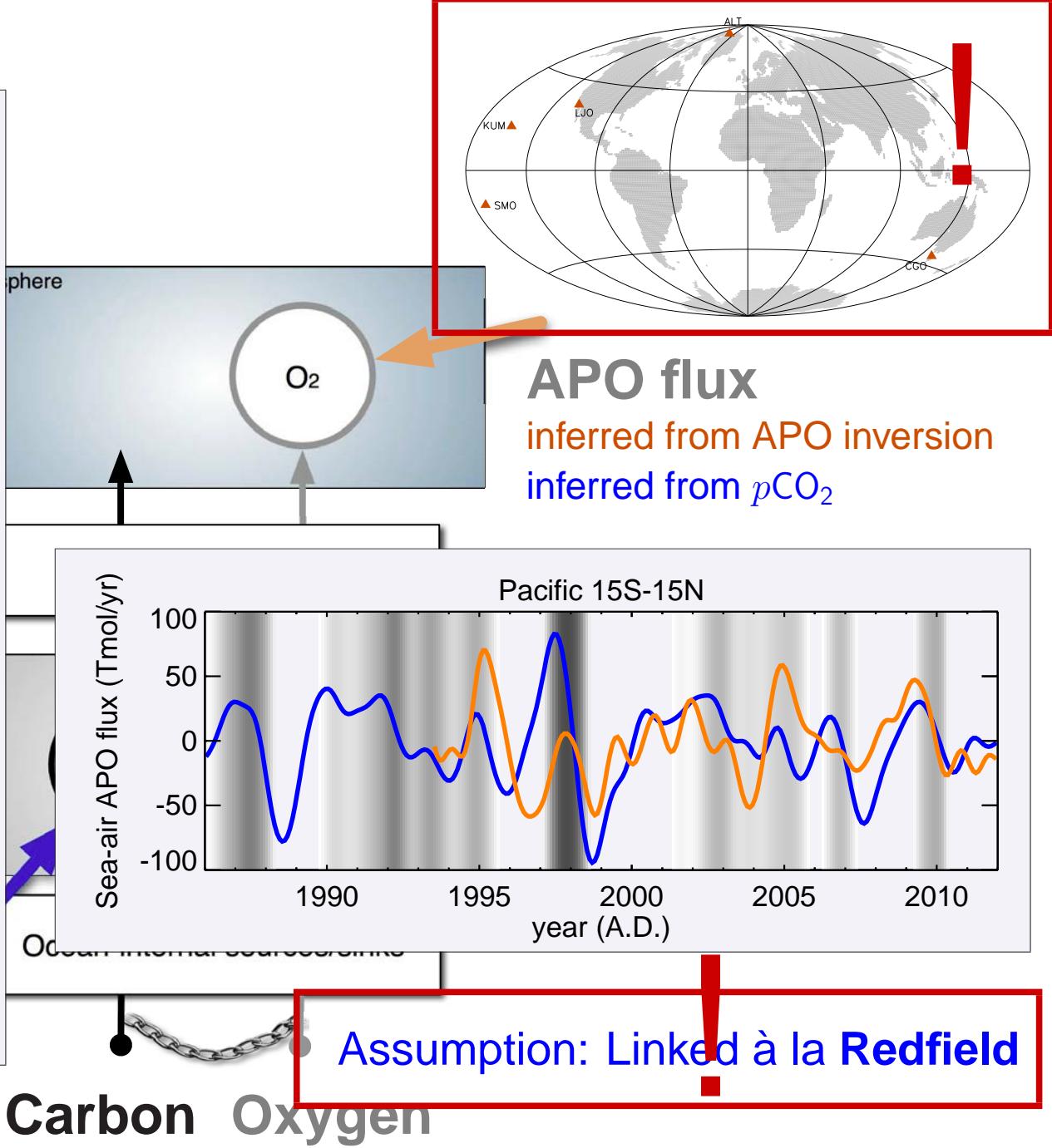
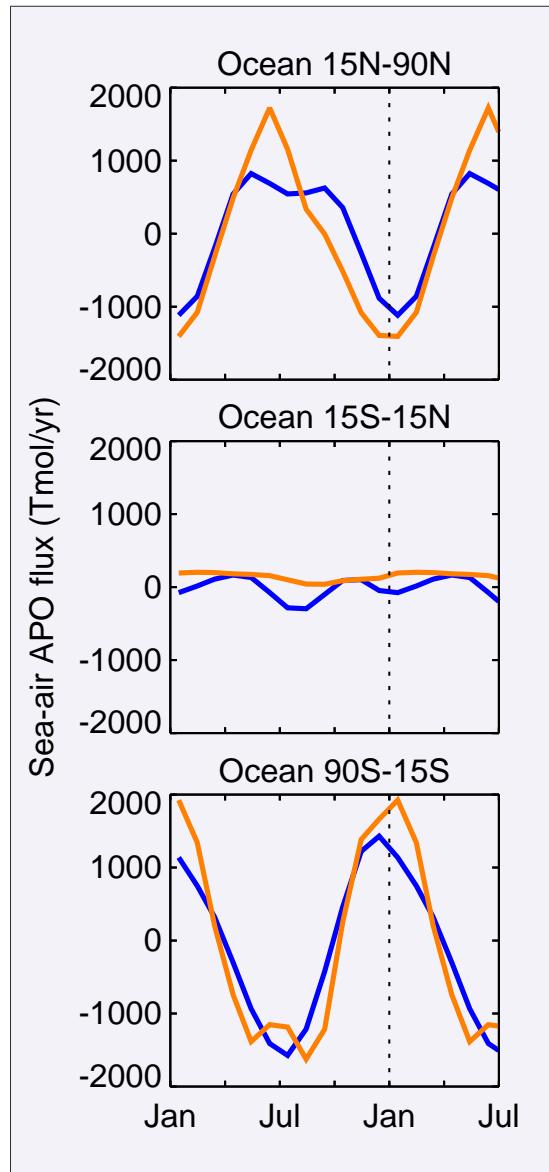


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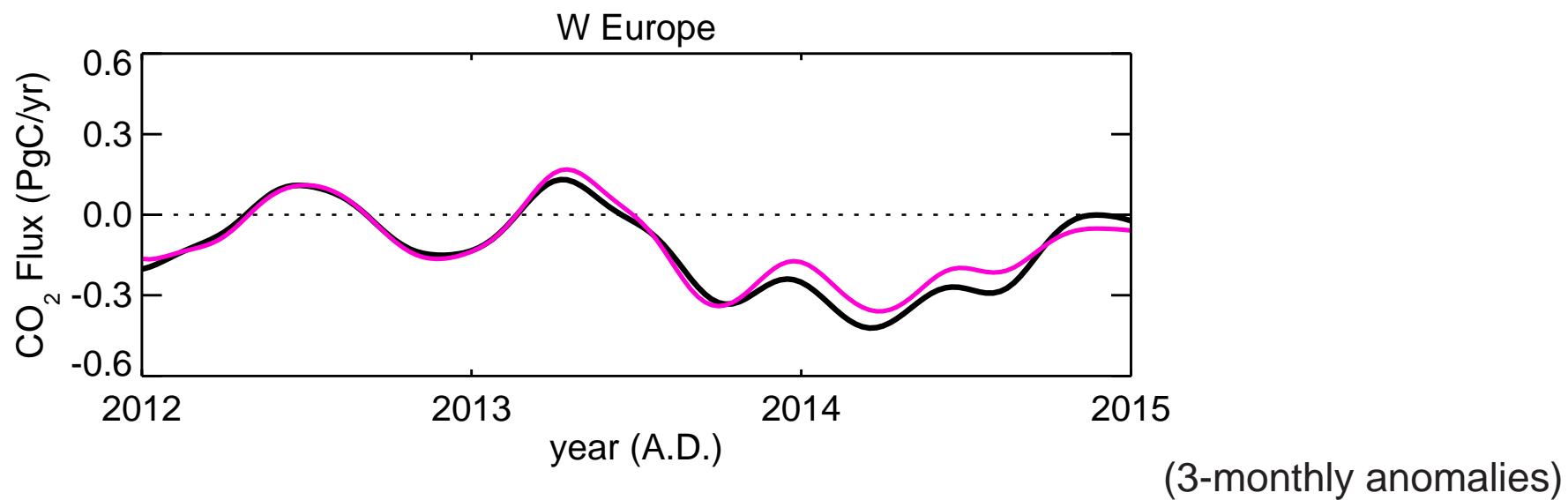
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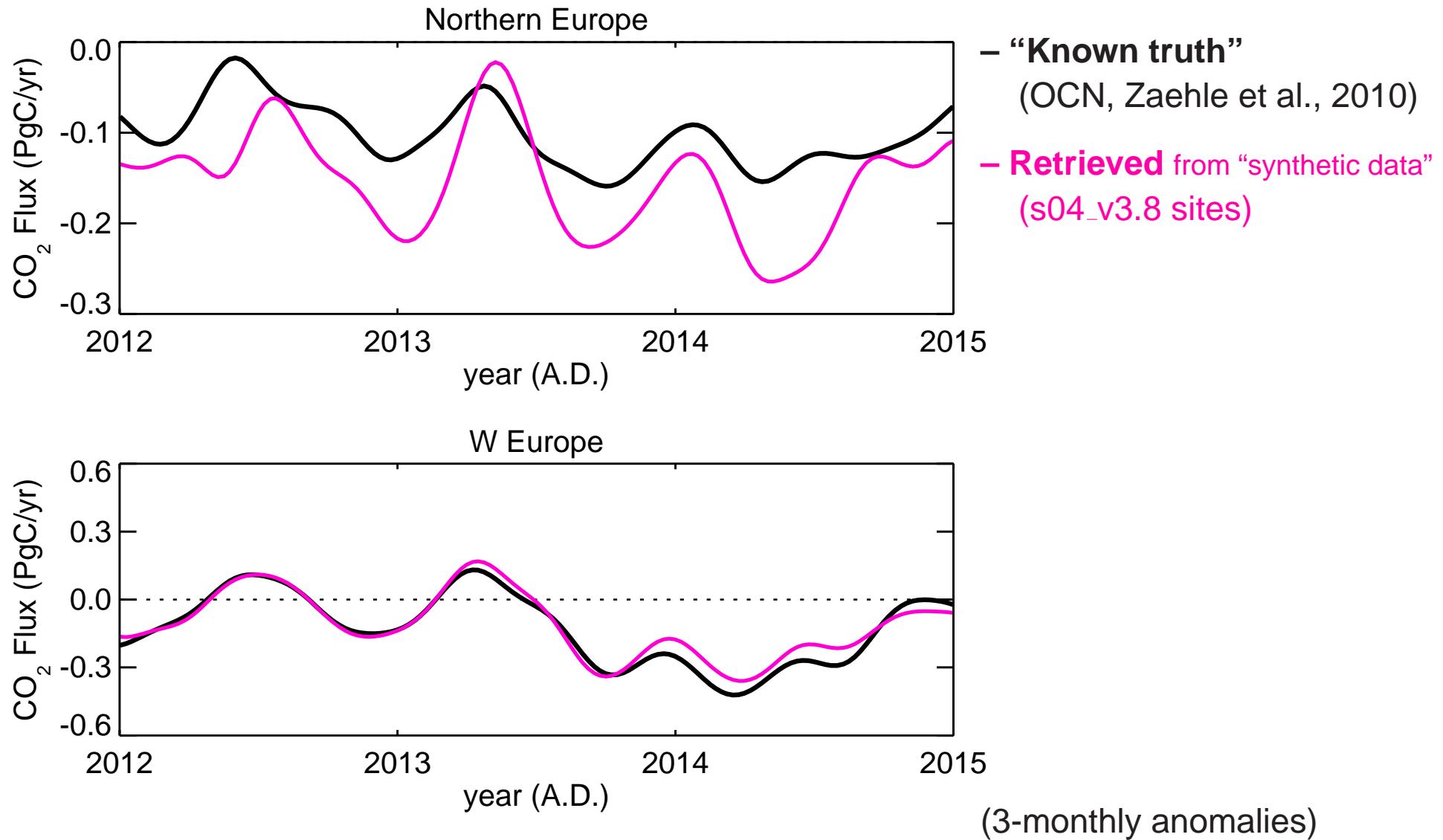
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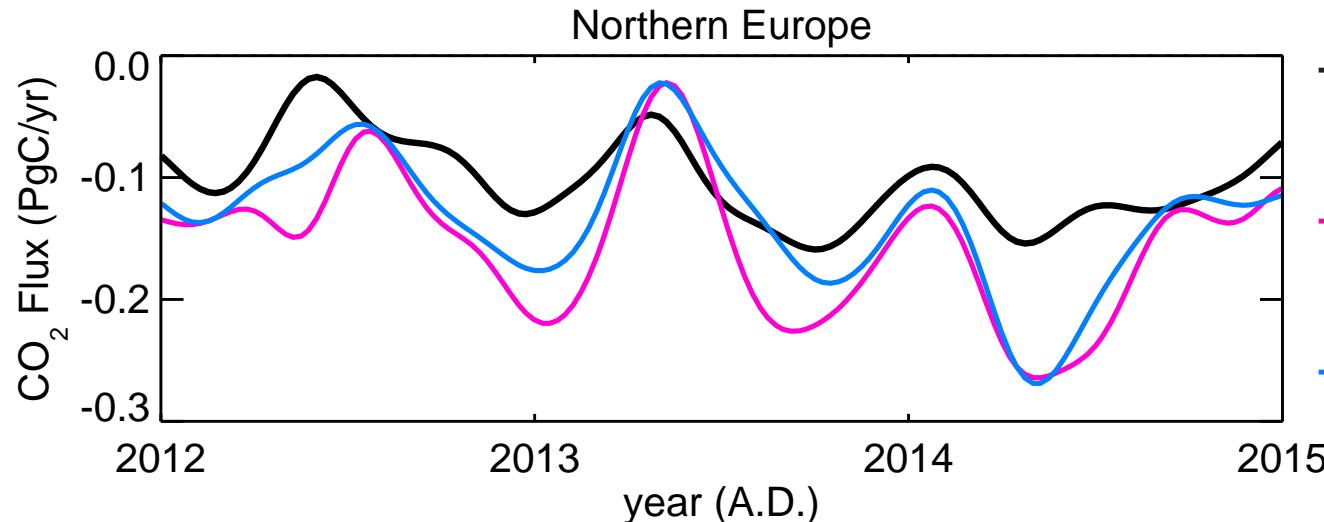
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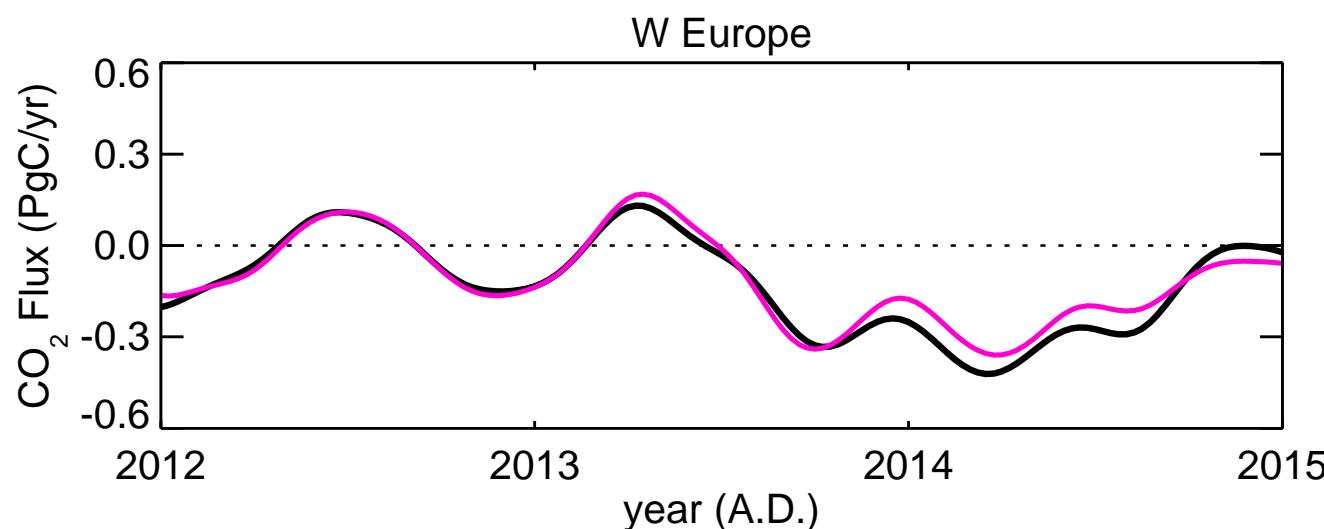


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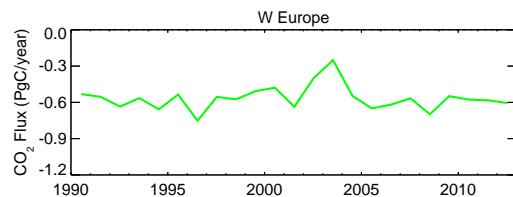


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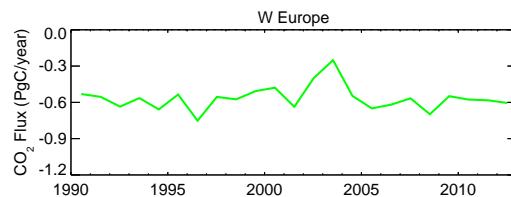
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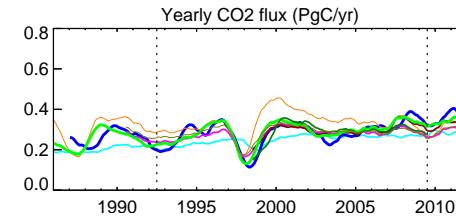


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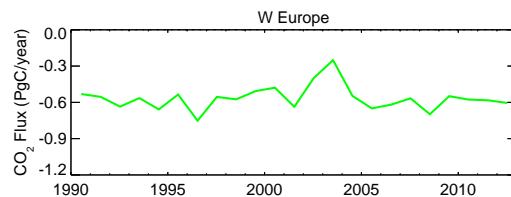
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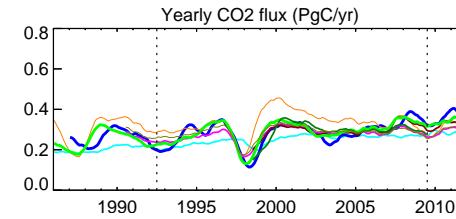


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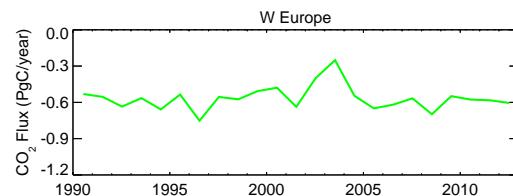
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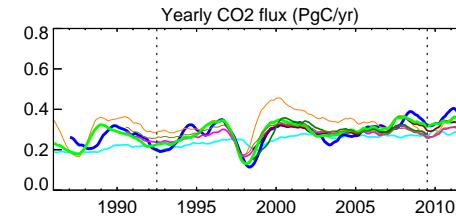


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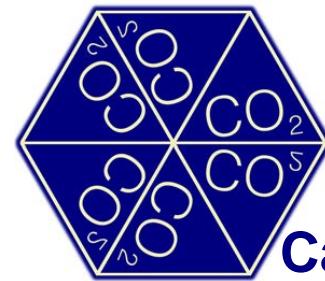


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## Products available for download:

- Atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> inversion
- $p\text{CO}_2$ -based mixed-layer scheme
- Combined products, sensitivity cases, atm. fields
- [www.BGC-Jena.mpg.de/CarboScope/](http://www.BGC-Jena.mpg.de/CarboScope/)



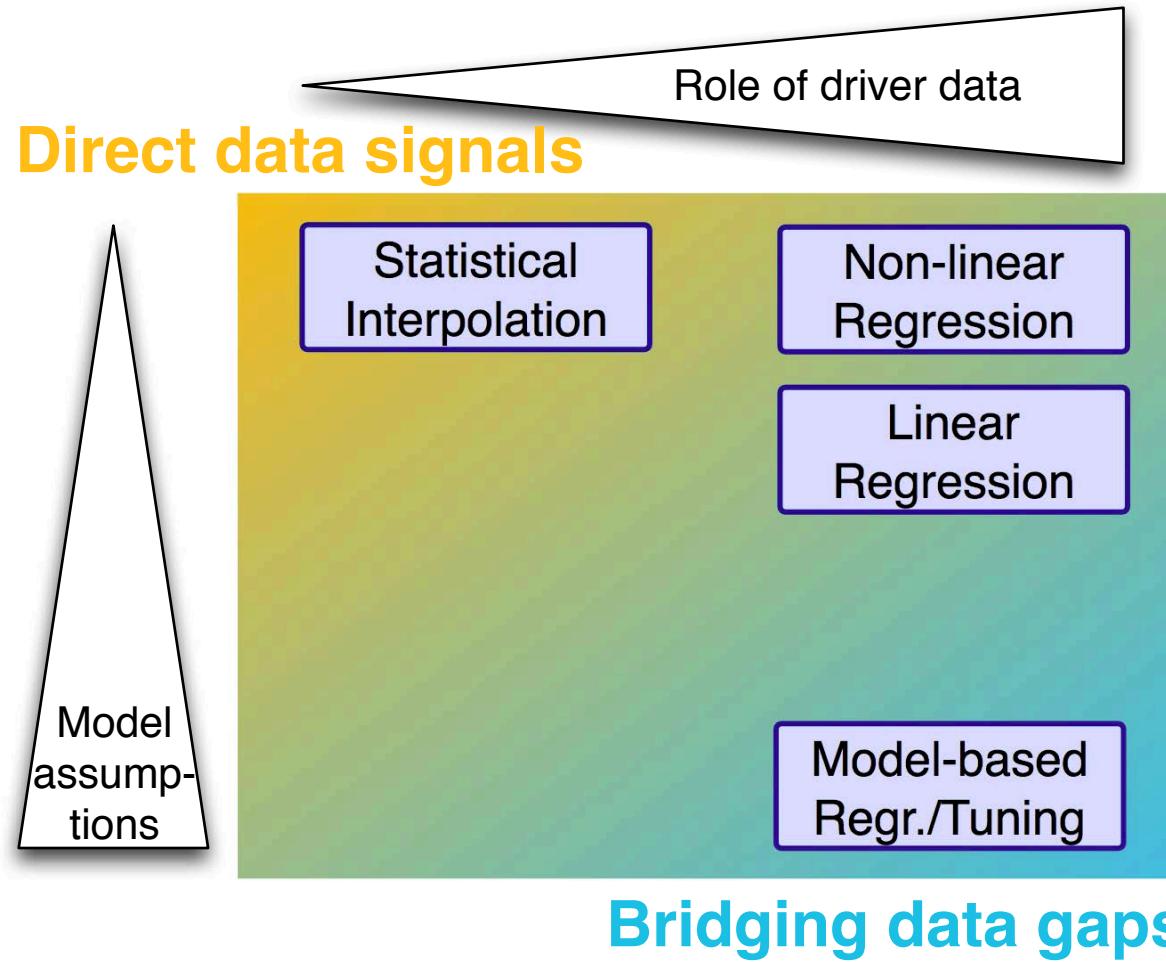
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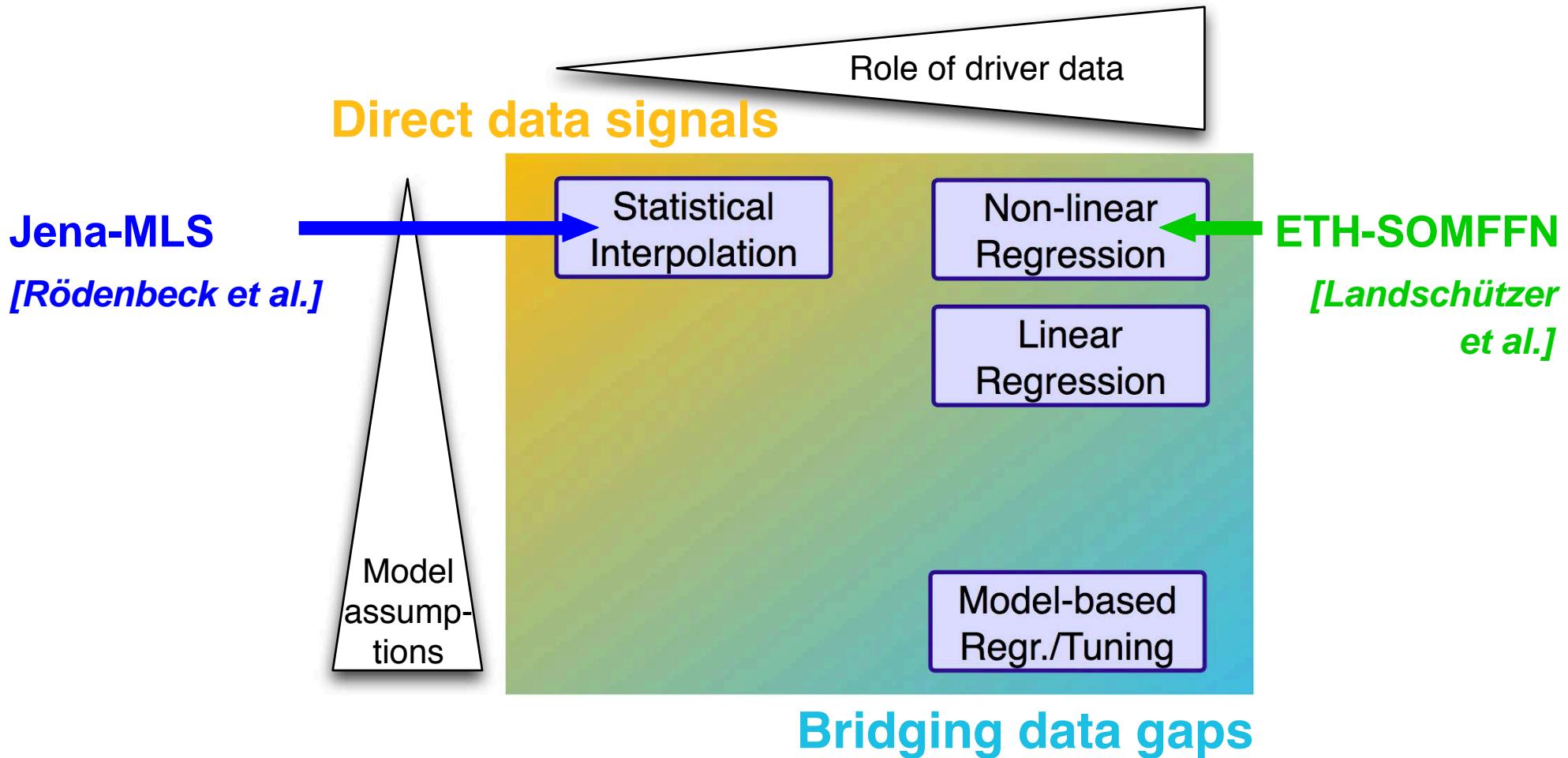


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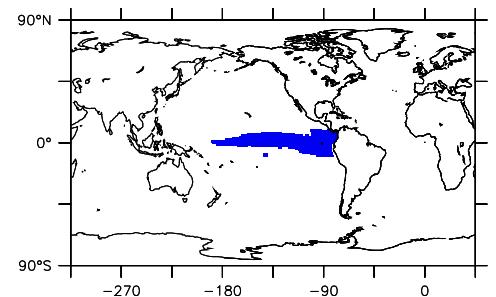
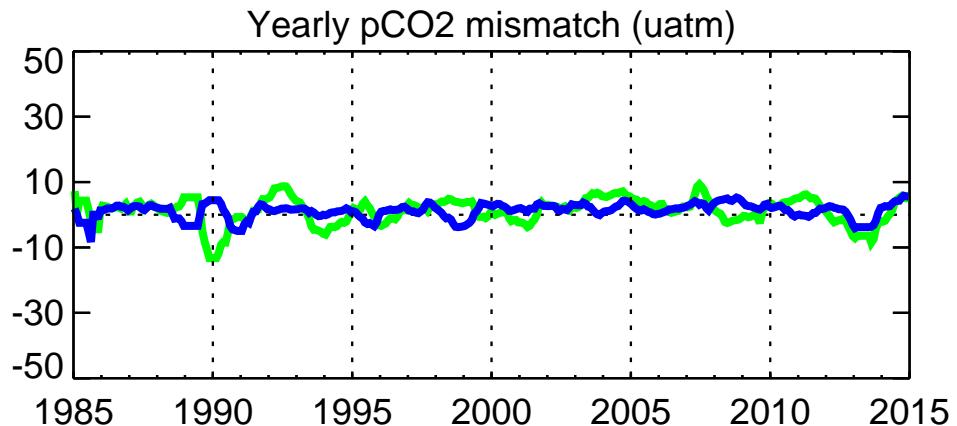
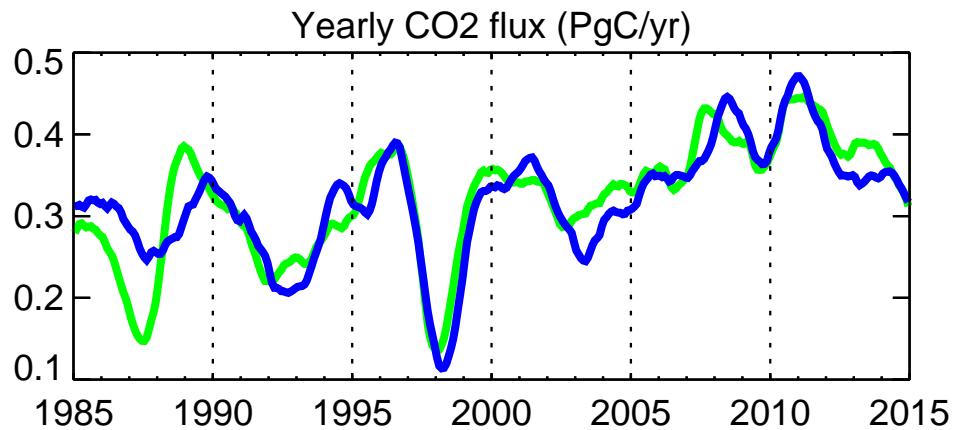
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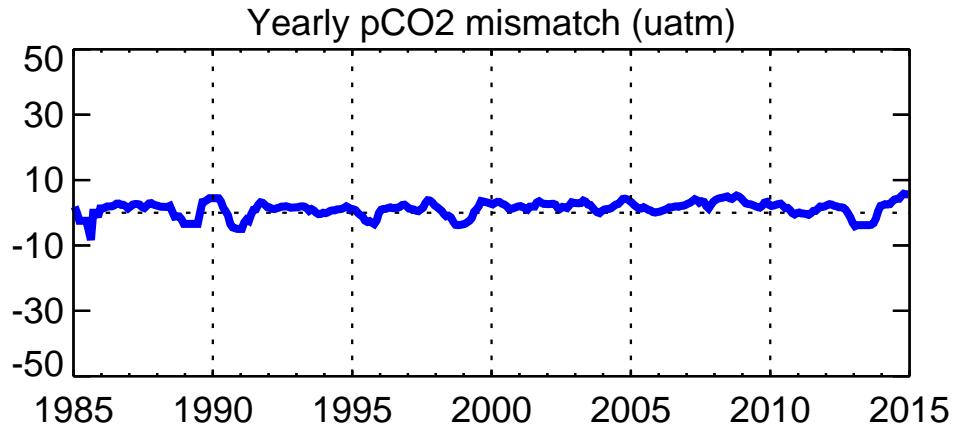
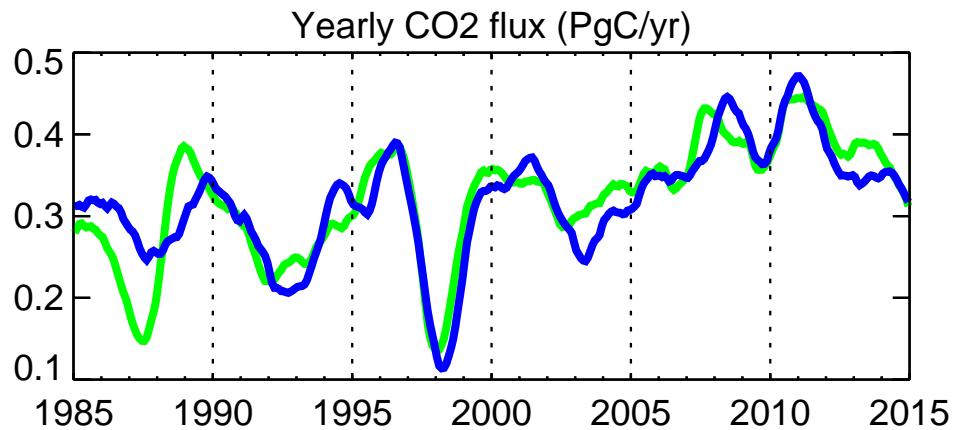
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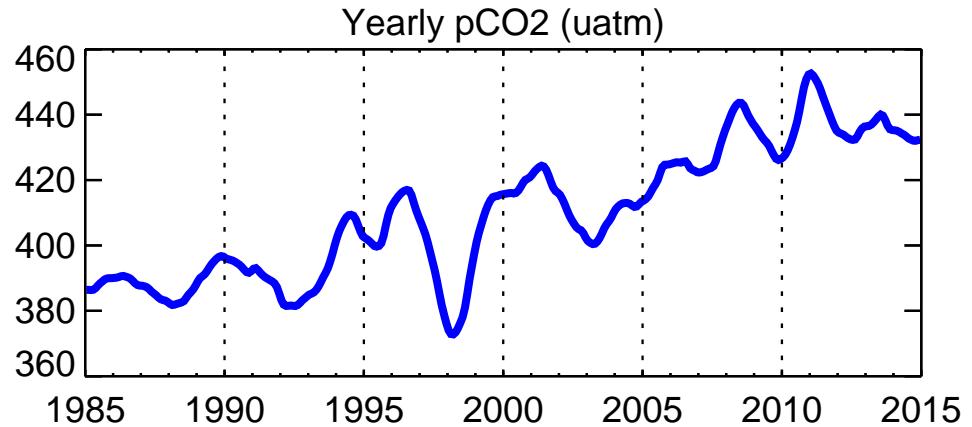
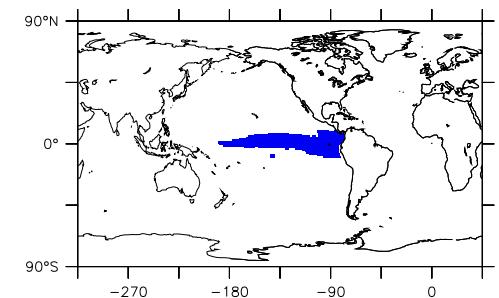


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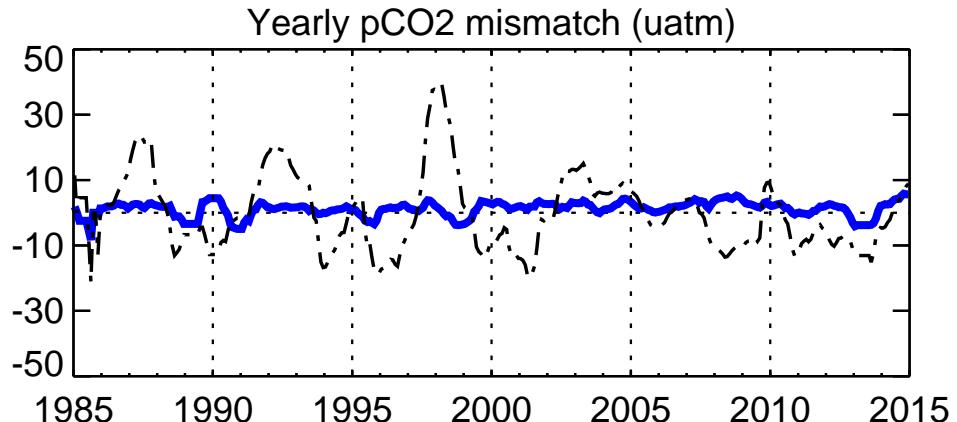
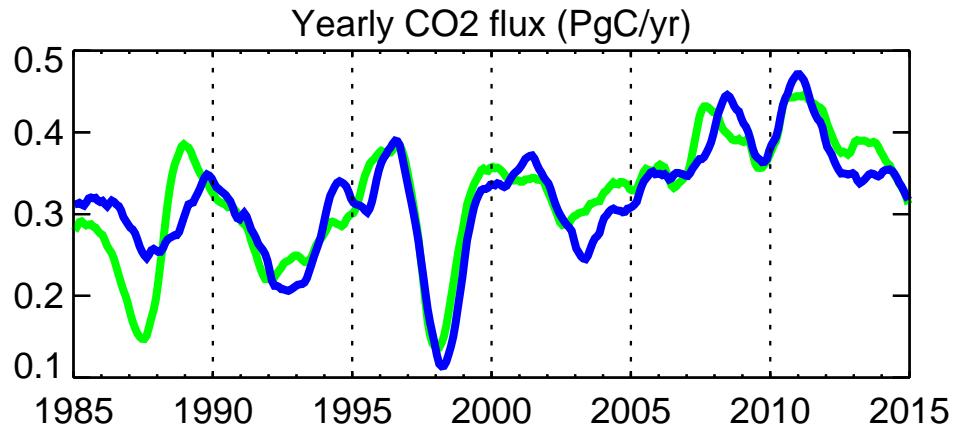


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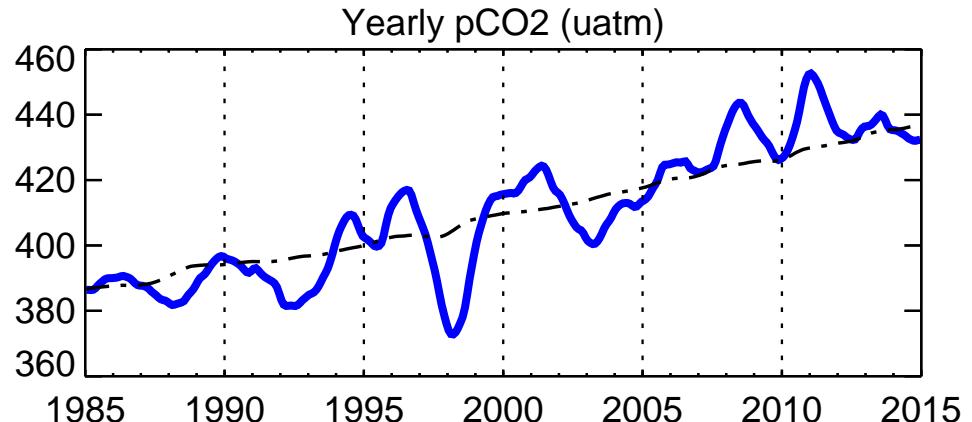
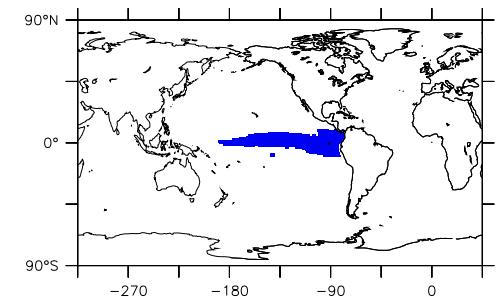


“Benchmark”:

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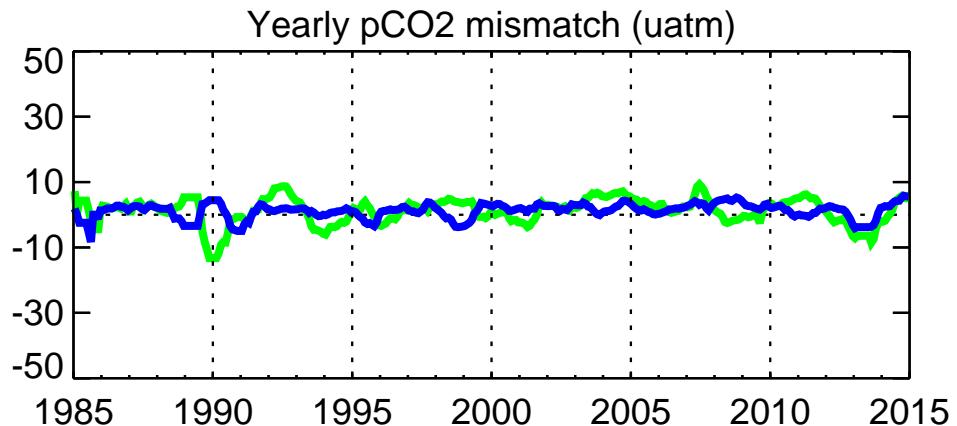
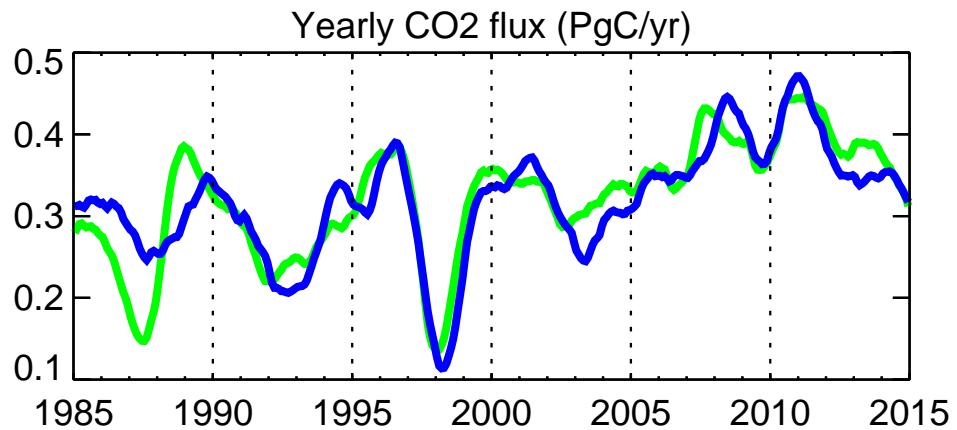
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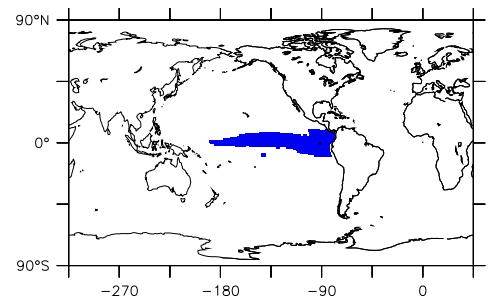
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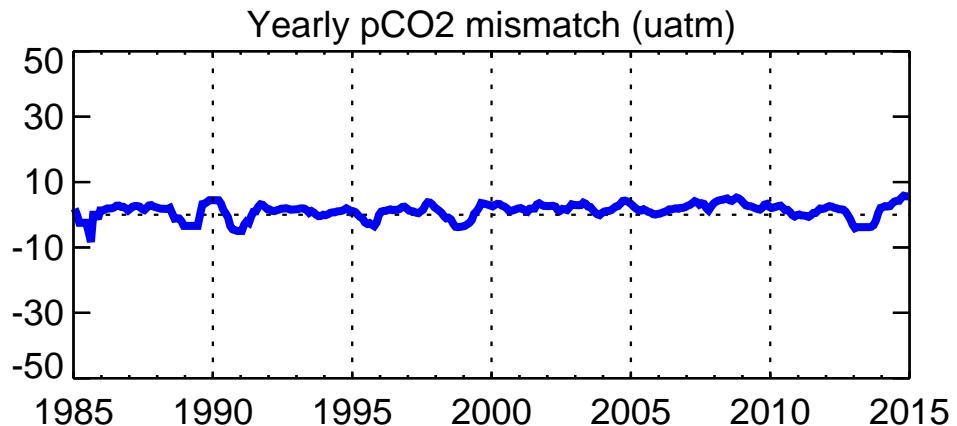
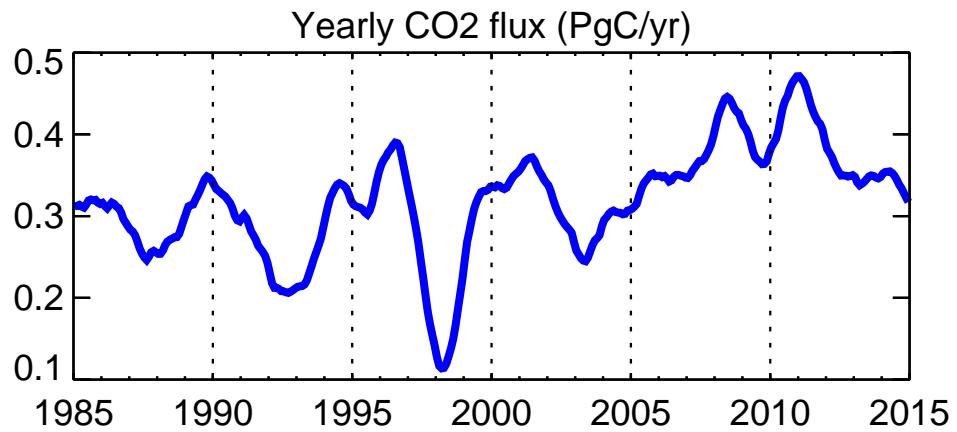
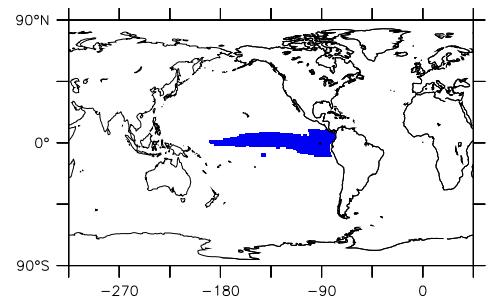
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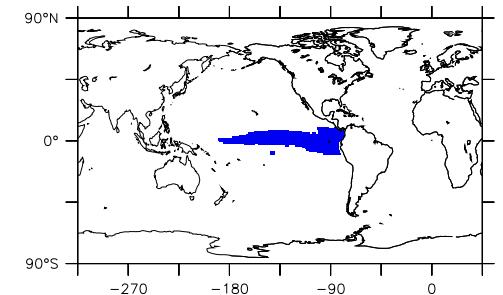
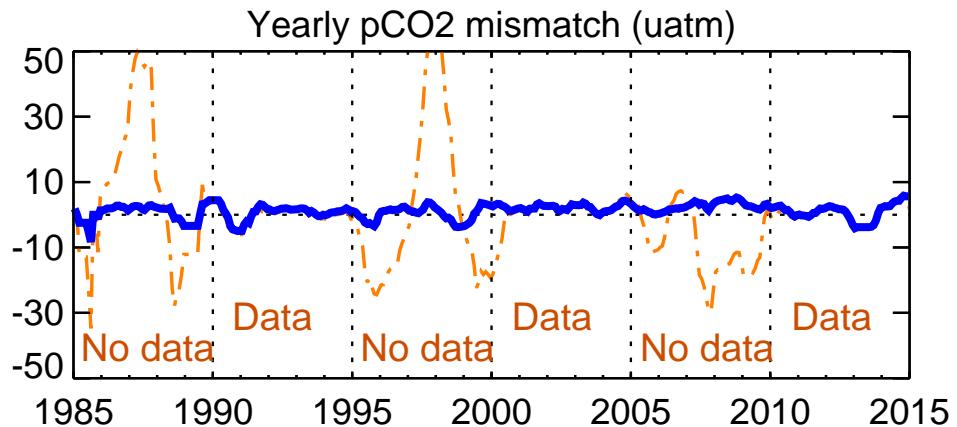
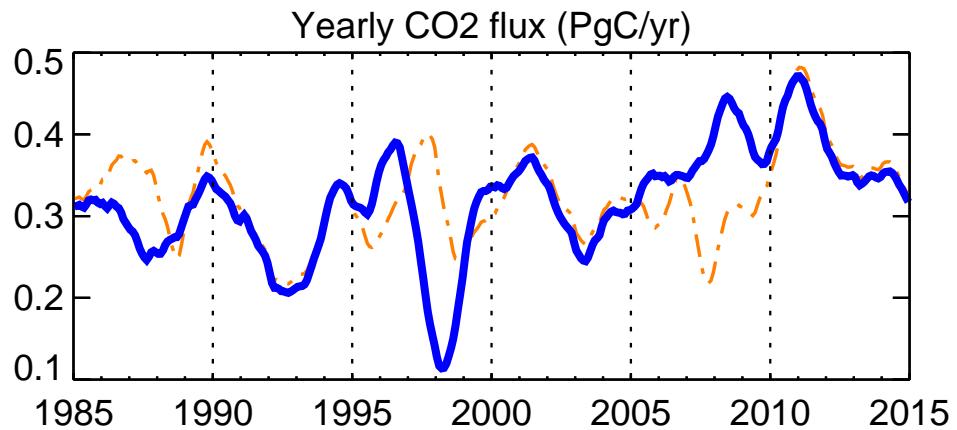
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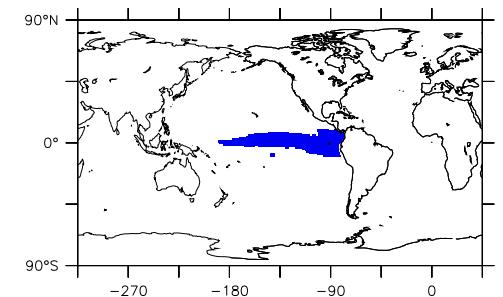
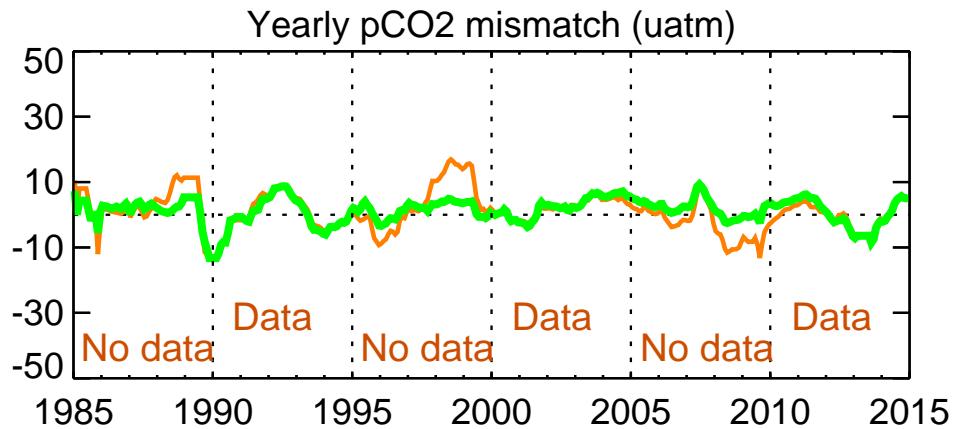
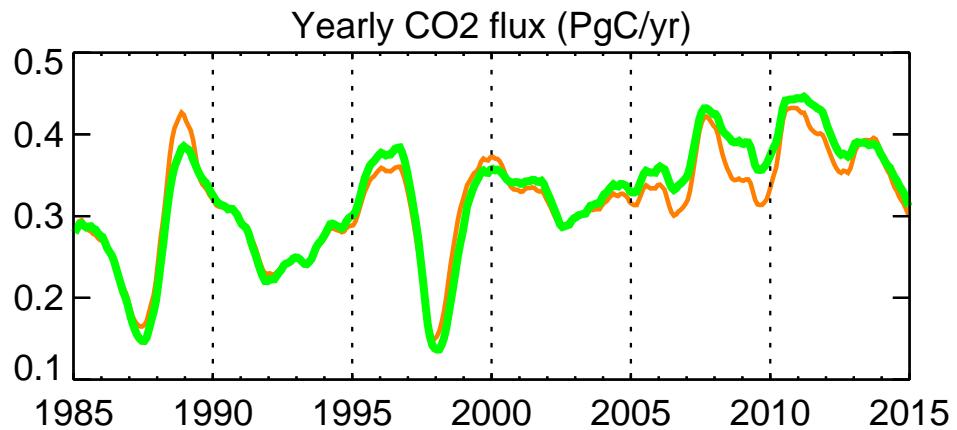
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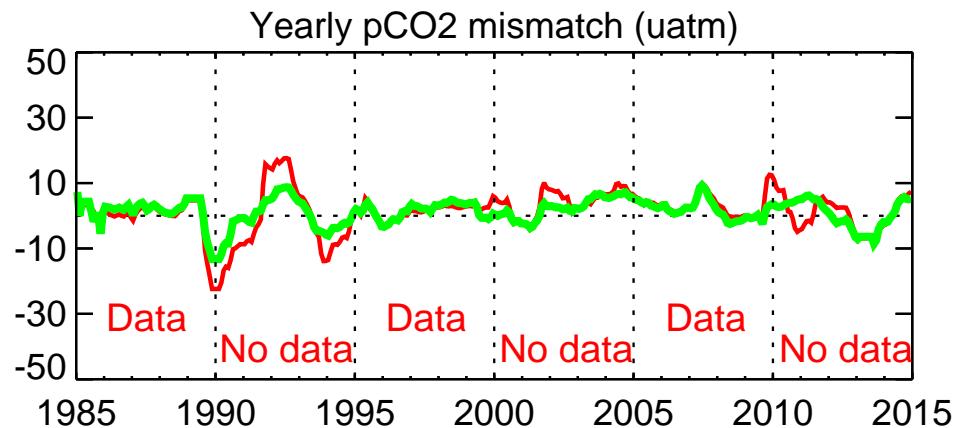
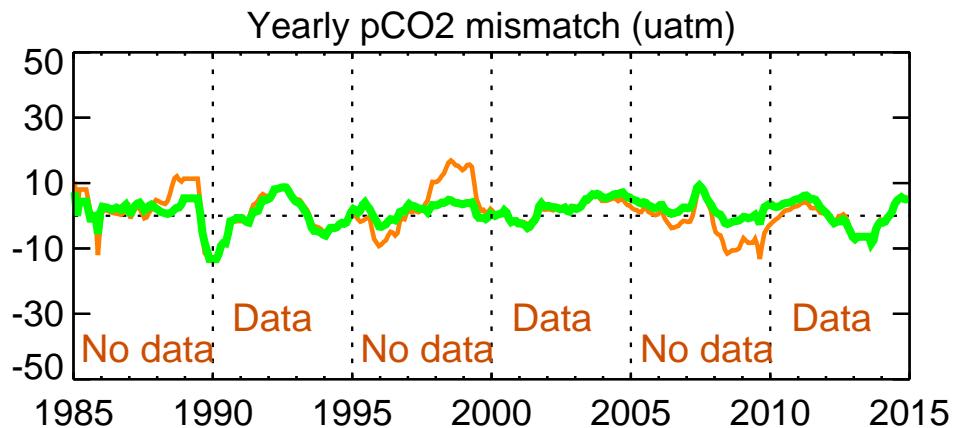
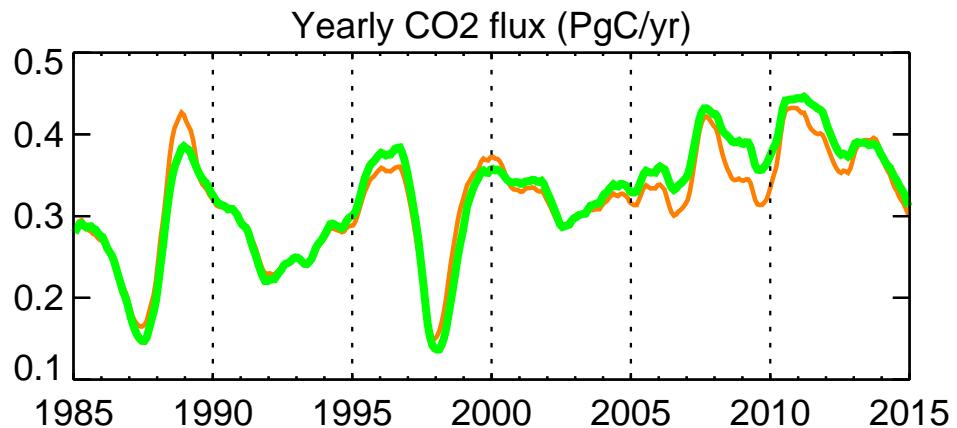
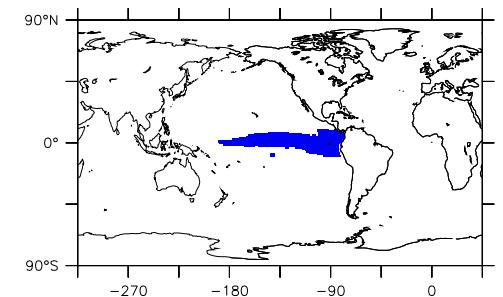
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→ Regression against drivers  
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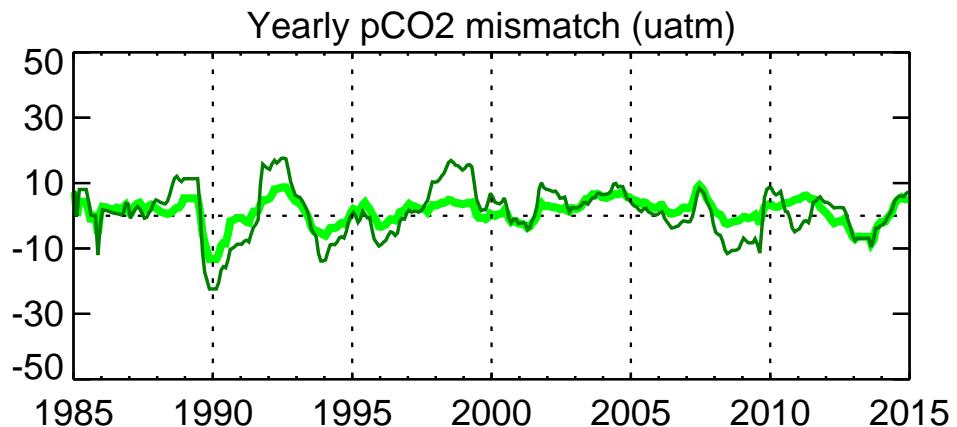
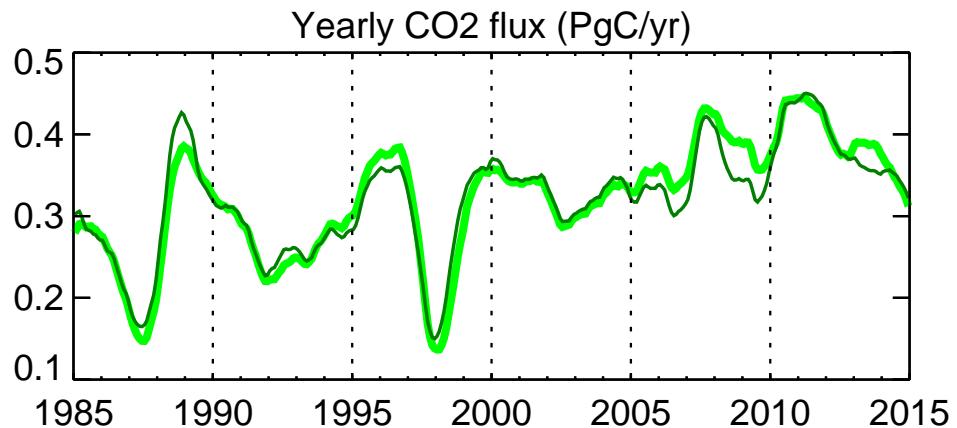
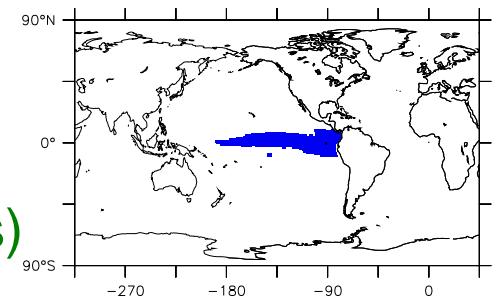
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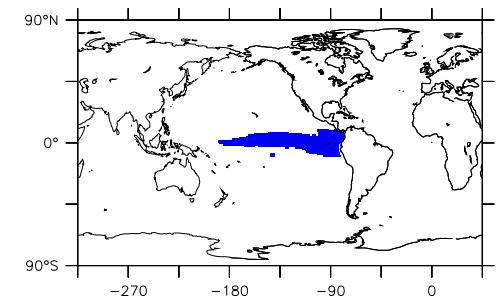
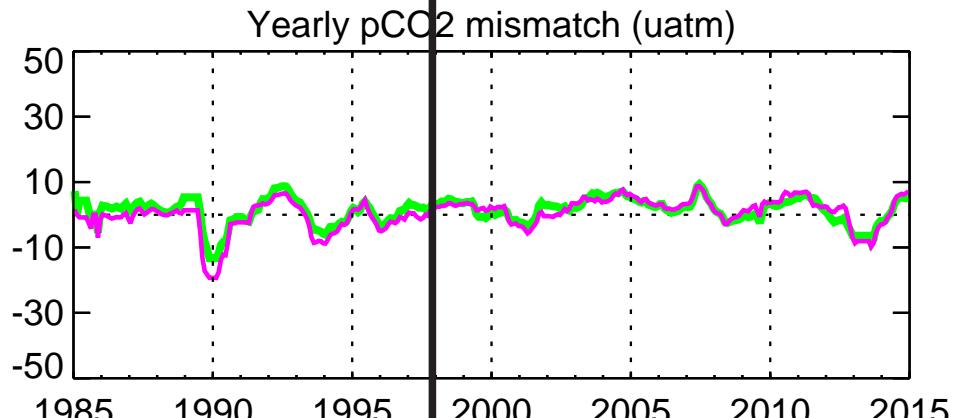
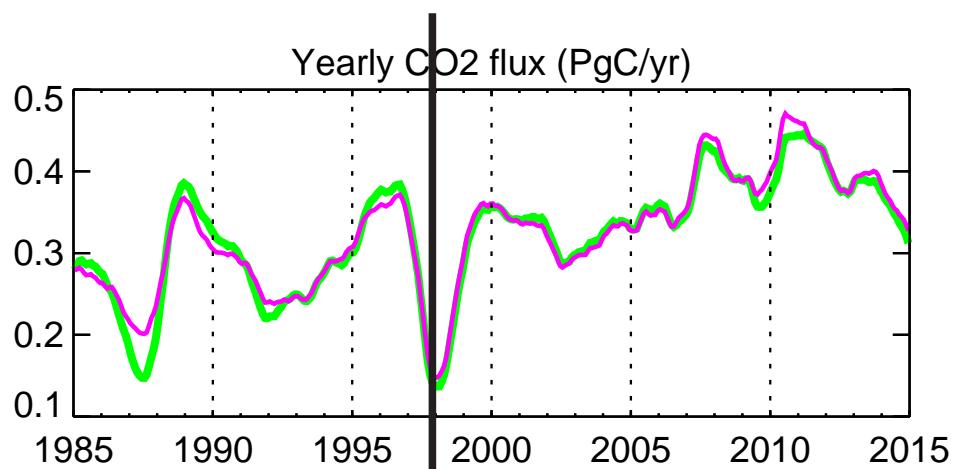
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— (62%) ETH-SOMFFN2016 (Unconstrained periods)



→ Regression against drivers  
(SST, SSS, Chl-a, atm. CO<sub>2</sub>)  
offers some bridging capacity

# Cross Validation

- (28%) ETH-SOMFFN2016
- (35%) ETH-SOMFFN2016, regr. SST & SSS



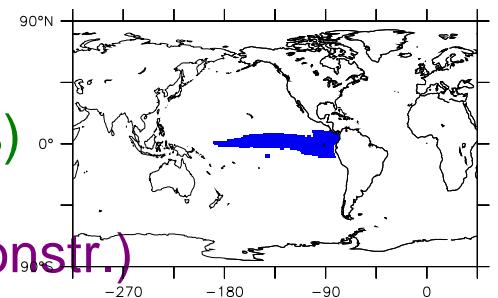
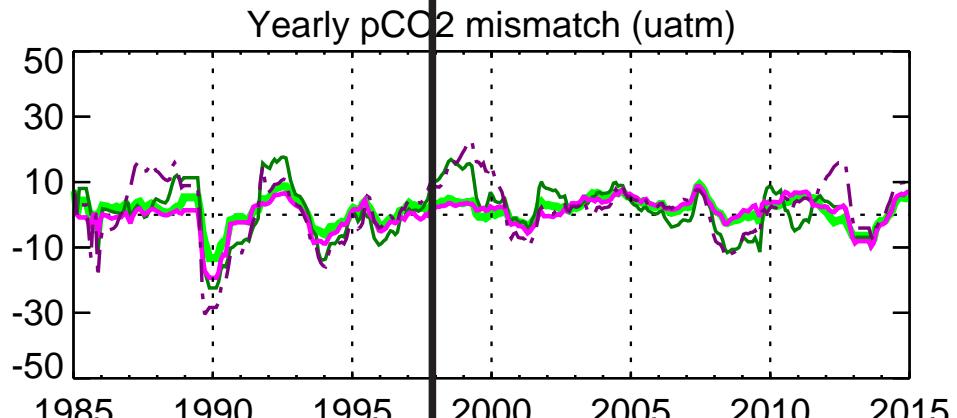
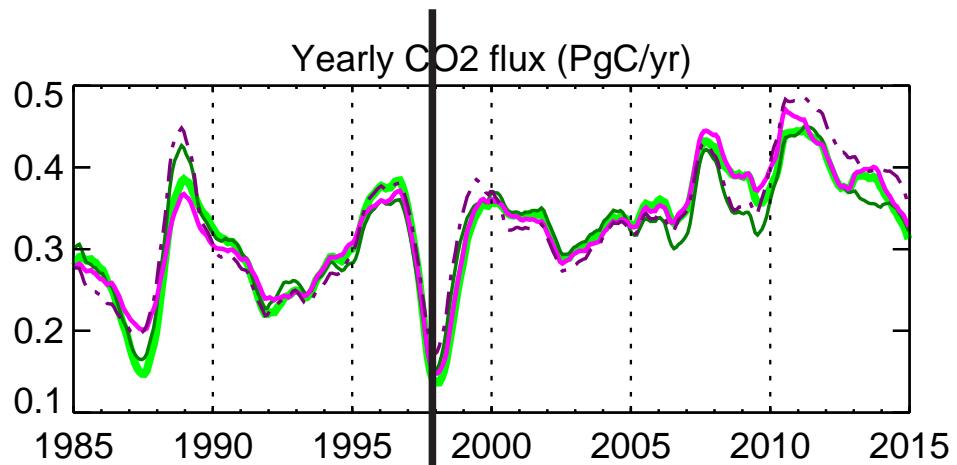
Chl-a data only available since 1998

– do SST and SSS suffice?

→ Less fitting capacity  
(but main modes similar)

# Cross Validation

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- - - (77%) ETH-SOMFFN2016, regr. SST & SSS (Unconstr.)



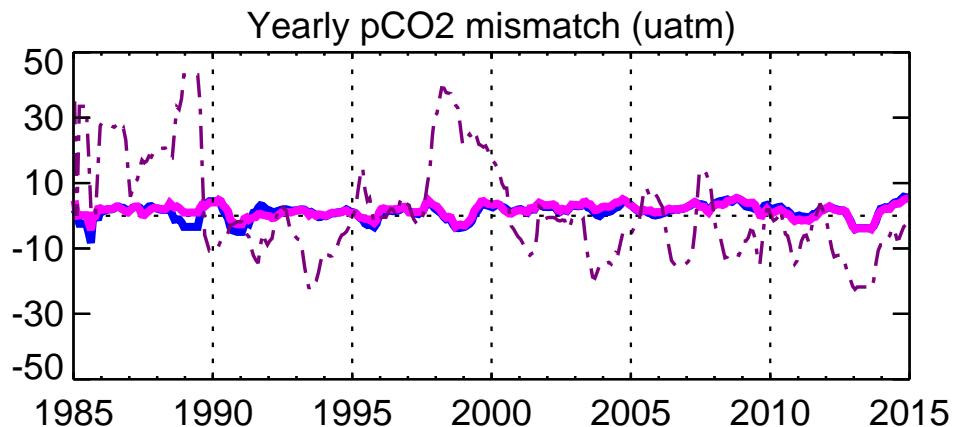
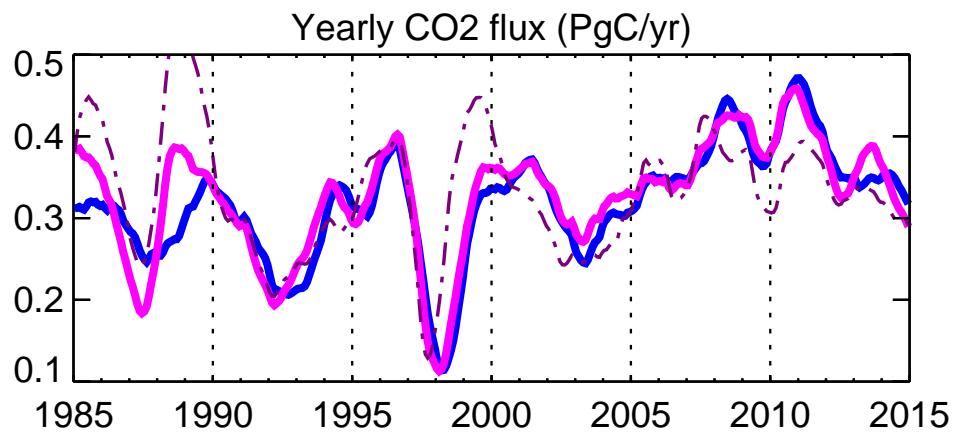
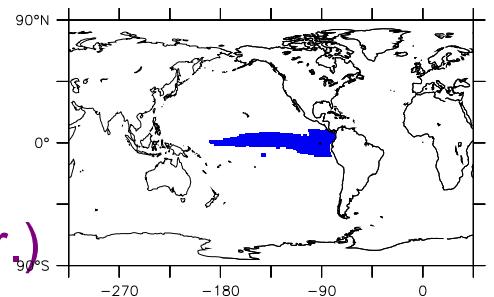
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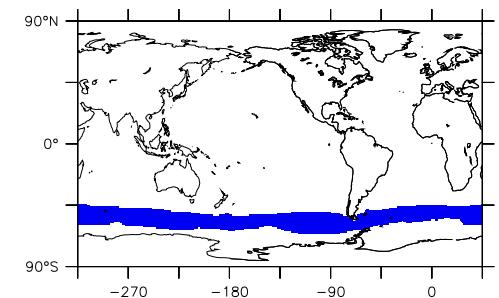
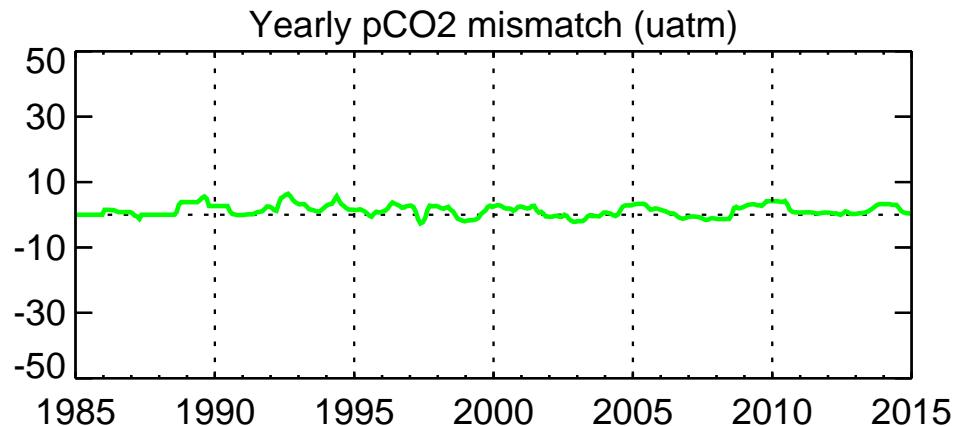
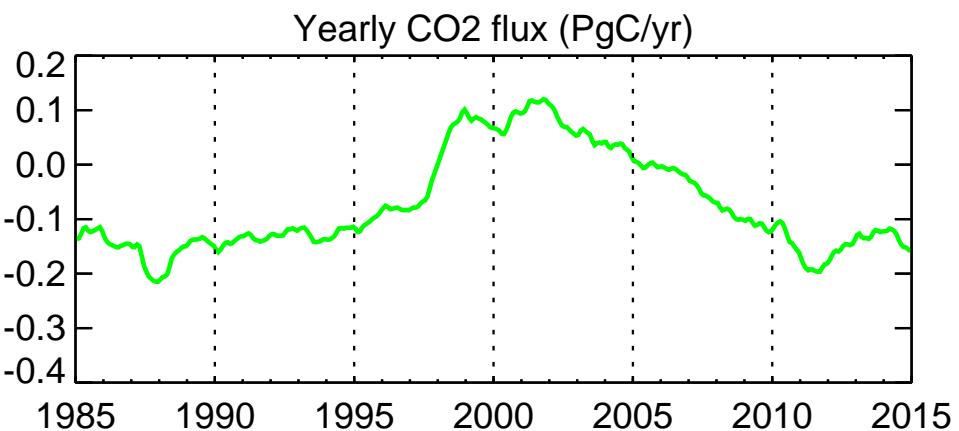
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- (18%) Jena oc\_v1.4S
- (16%) Jena oc\_v1.4S, regr. SST & SSS
- - - (131%) Jena oc\_v1.4S, regr. SST & SSS (Unconstr.)



# Cross Validation

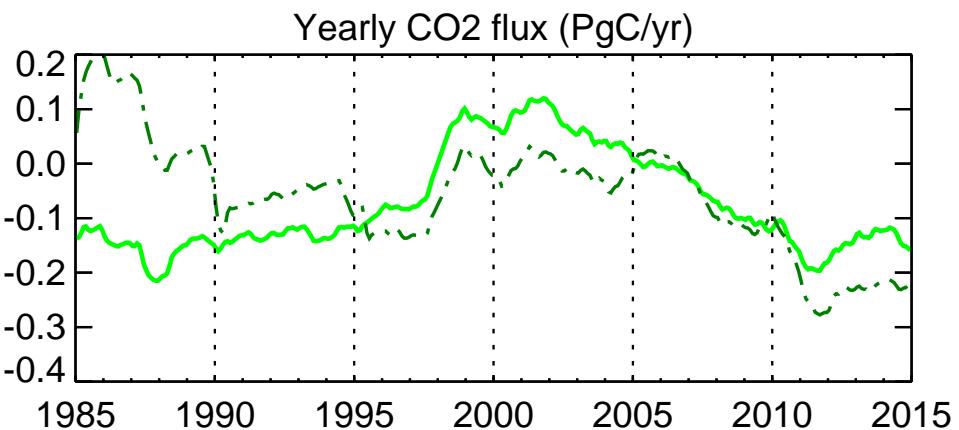
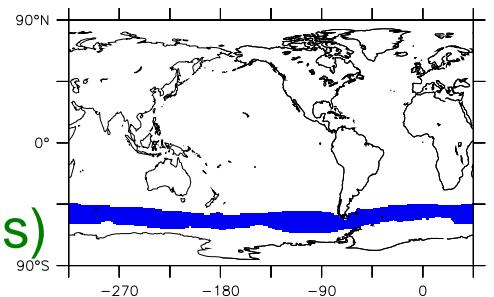
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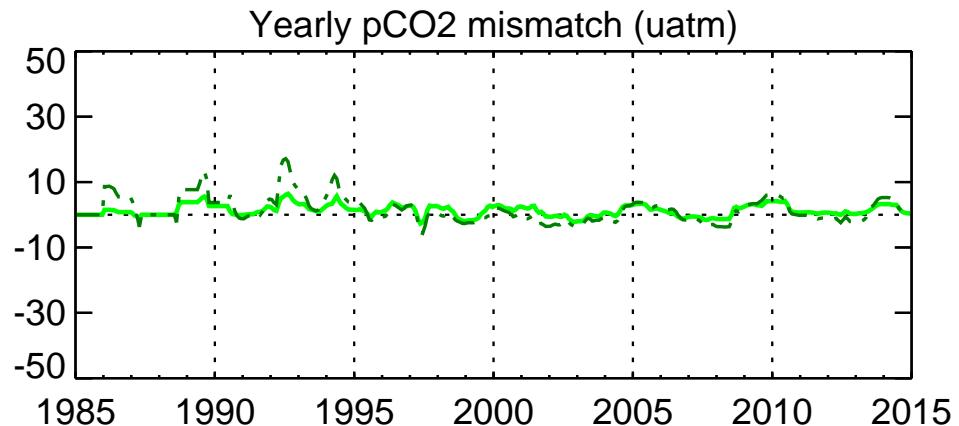
Southern Ocean – sparse data

# Cross Validation

— (47%) ETH-SOMFFN2016  
- - - (106%) ETH-SOMFFN2016 (Unconstrained periods)



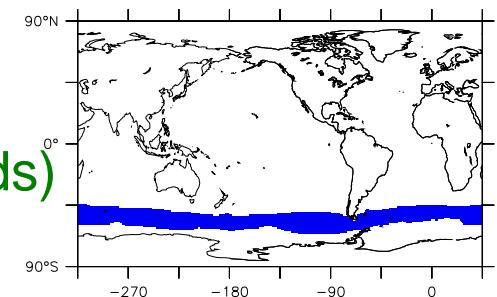
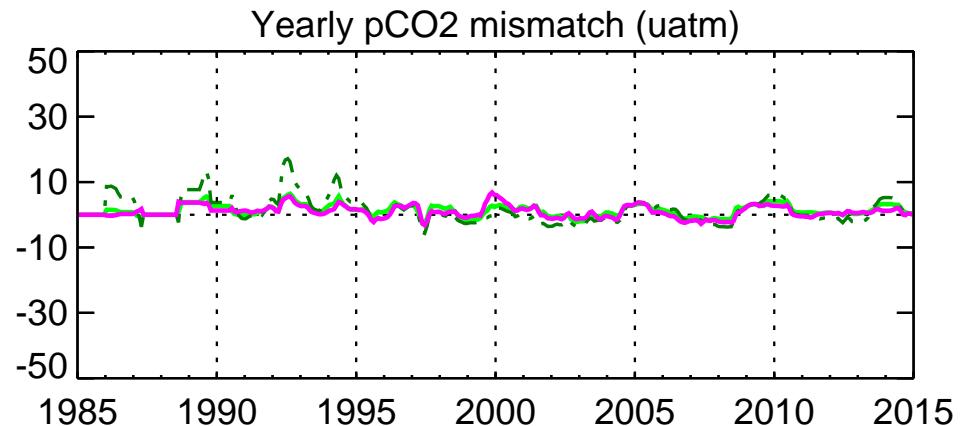
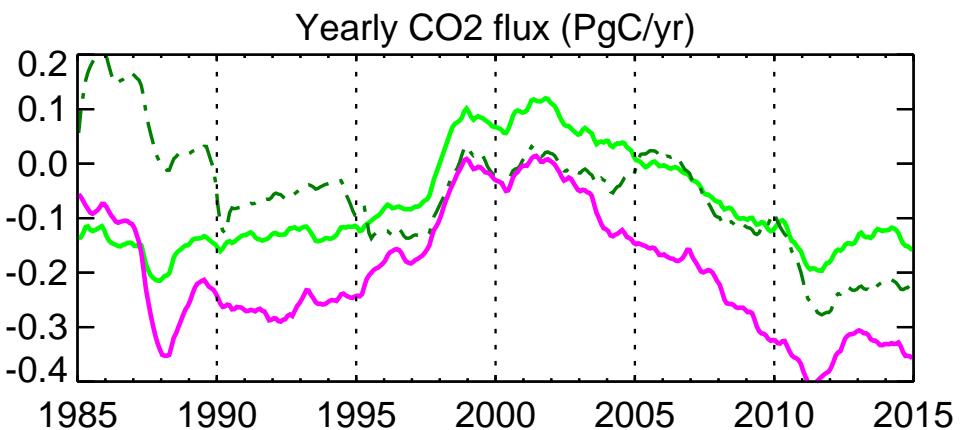
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→ Bridging difficult &  
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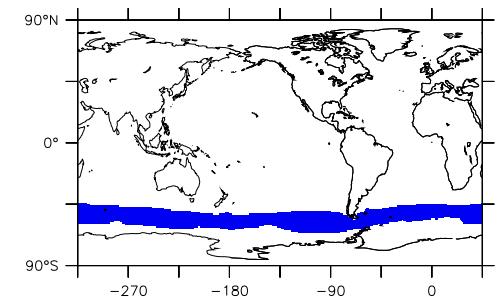
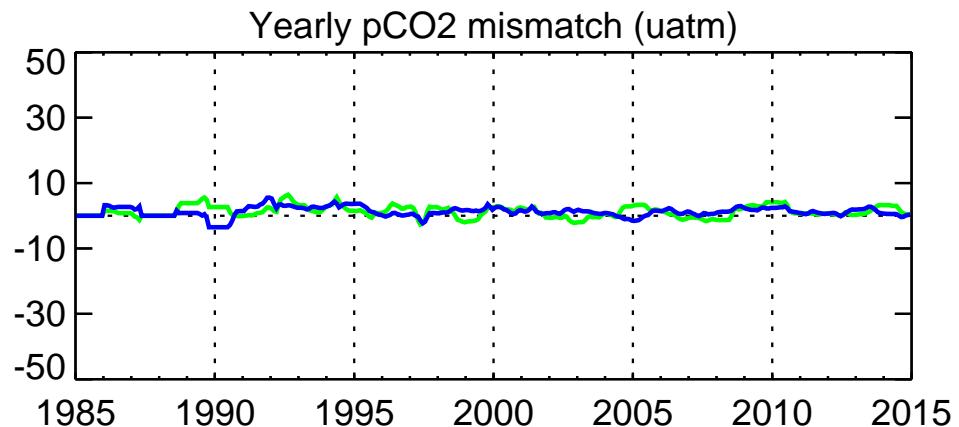
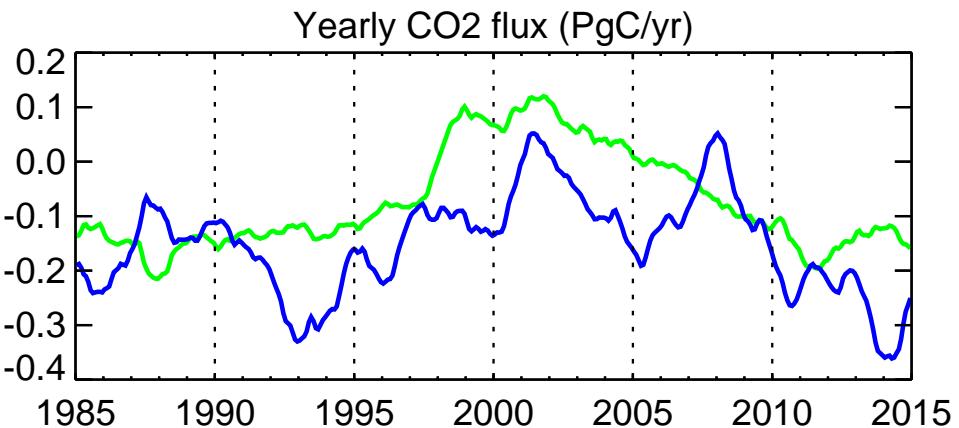


Southern Ocean – sparse data

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→ again main modes similar w/o Chl-a

# Cross Validation

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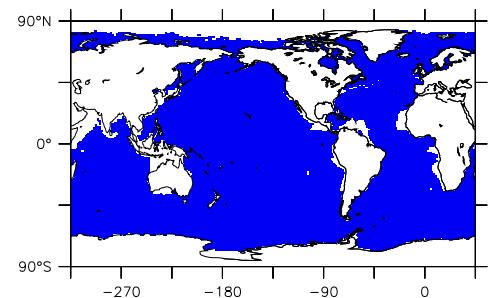
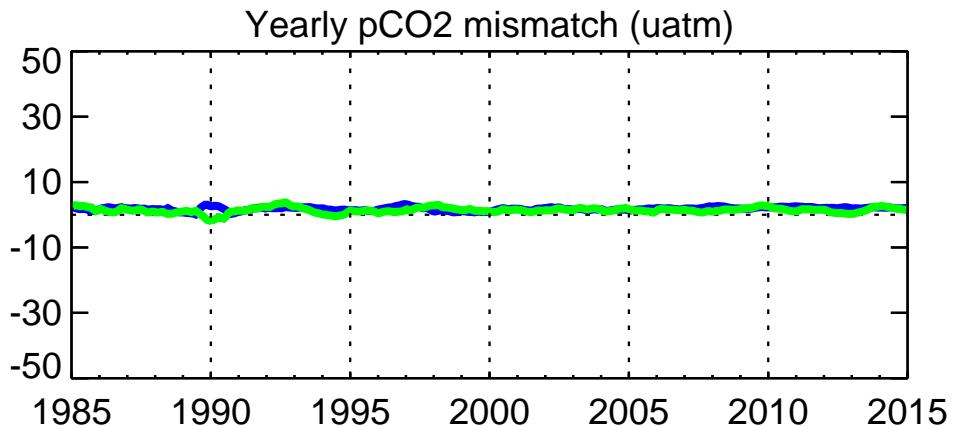
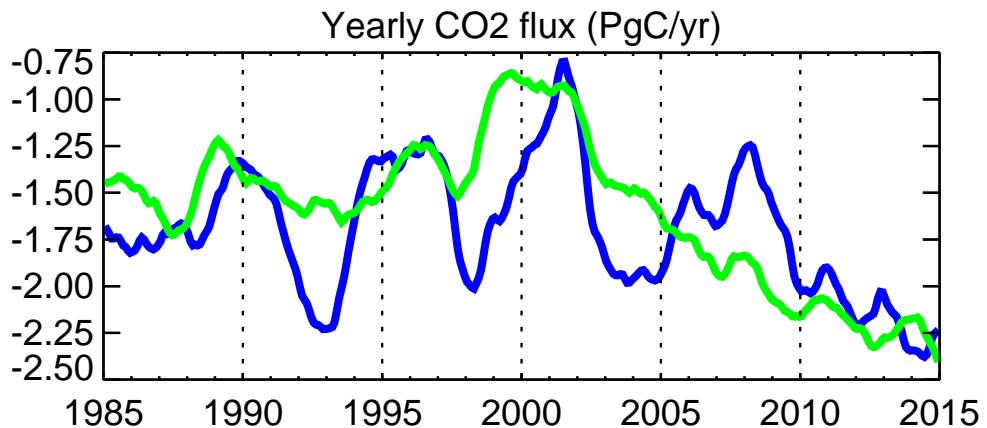


Southern Ocean – sparse data

- Bridging difficult & difficult to test
- again main modes similar w/o Chl-a
- Decadal trends also from data directly

# Cross Validation

(25%) ETH-SOMFFN2016  
(18%) Jena-MLS14SSS



Global Ocean flux  
– affected by data-sparse regions

→ Complementary mapping methods  
(interpolation, regression)  
help to assess robustness