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SWOT TRAINING SESSION: OCEAN PRODUCTS

30 Years of Progress in Radar Altimetry
Symposium

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Outline: SWOT Ocean Data Training Session

SWOT Low Rate (LR, Oceanography) products (40')

- Dataset overview & related applications
- Data access & usage services

Ready-to-use tutorials (Jupyter notebooks) (20')

- How to explore and manipulate SWOT LR data, etc.
- Oceanography dedicated use cases

SWOT ocean products and data usage perspectives & Questions (30')

Two orbits

- Cal/Val : 1-day repeat, sparse coverage, Spring 2023
- Science : 21-day repeat, global coverage, since Aug 2023

Two instruments

- Old-school 1D nadir altimeter (Jason-class)
- KaRIn 2D interferometer

Two timeliness levels

- Near Real Time (3 hours to 3 days)
- Reprocessed Data (more precise than NRT)

Two resolutions

- Ocean @ 250-m to 2-km: Low Resolution
- Hydrology @ 10 to 60 m: High Resolution

Versions released

- Version B (Nov 23) : beta release for early CalVal evaluation
- Version C (March 24) : first "science" release
- Version C declared as validated by the SWOT Project (Aug 24)

Low Rate (Ocean) Product Levels

Level-1B LR
(interferograms)



Level-2 Unsmoothed
(250m, technical)



Level-2 Basic & Expert
(2-km, accessible)



Level-3
(250-m & 2-km, simple,
new geophysical standards,
multi-mission calibrated)

SWOT Level-2 Ocean Products

- Nadir Altimeter and Radiometer (O/I)GDR products (similar to Jason-2/3)
- KaRIn L2_LR_SSH (2km & 250m)

KaRIn L2_LR_SSH	Grid	Volume
		/day - /year
Basic SSH ['Basic']	2km geographically fixed swath-aligned grid	< 1GB – 365 GB
Wind and Wave ['WindWave']	2km geographically fixed swath-aligned grid	< 1GB – 365 GB
Expert SSH with Wind and Wave ['Expert']	2km geographically fixed swath-aligned grid	1GB – 365 TB
Unsmoothed SSH ['Unsmoothed']	250m sampling grid	< 25 GB – 10 TB

SWOT KaRIn Level-2 Ocean L2_LR_SSH Products



	Accuracy			
	Latency			
Data sets	OGDR	IGDR	GDR	Size and Complexity
Reduced 1 Hz	OGDR-SSHA	IGDR-SSHA	GDR-SSHA	
1 Hz + 20 Hz	OGDR	IGDR	GDR	
1 Hz + 20 Hz + waveforms	Not generated	S-IGDR	S-GDR	
Latency	3-5 hours	1-2 days	~90 days	

SWOT Nadir Altimeter Level-2 products

SWOT Level-3 Ocean Products (2km & 250m)

- Level-3 (KaRIn & Nadir) Basic 2km Product (SSHA and MDT only)
- Level-3 (KaRIn & Nadir) Expert 2km Product (unedited SSHA + all calibration/corrections and geostrophic velocity anomaly)
- Level-3 (KaRIn only) Unsmoothed 250m Product

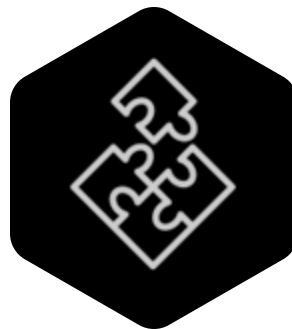
Level-4 Ocean Multi-Mission Products

- Using SWOT Level-3 (KaRIn & Nadir) + CMEMS L3 along-track datasets



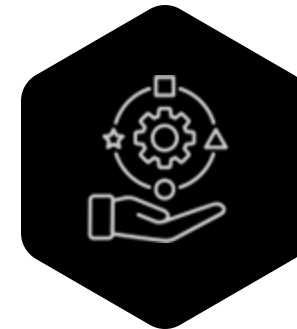
For ocean applications

- L3 along-track/swath: calibrated with other missions
- L4 gridded: merging measurements from different missions



Complementary to the L2 products

- L2 LR product (2km & 250m) used upstream
- Evolves quickly to use state-of-the art R&D

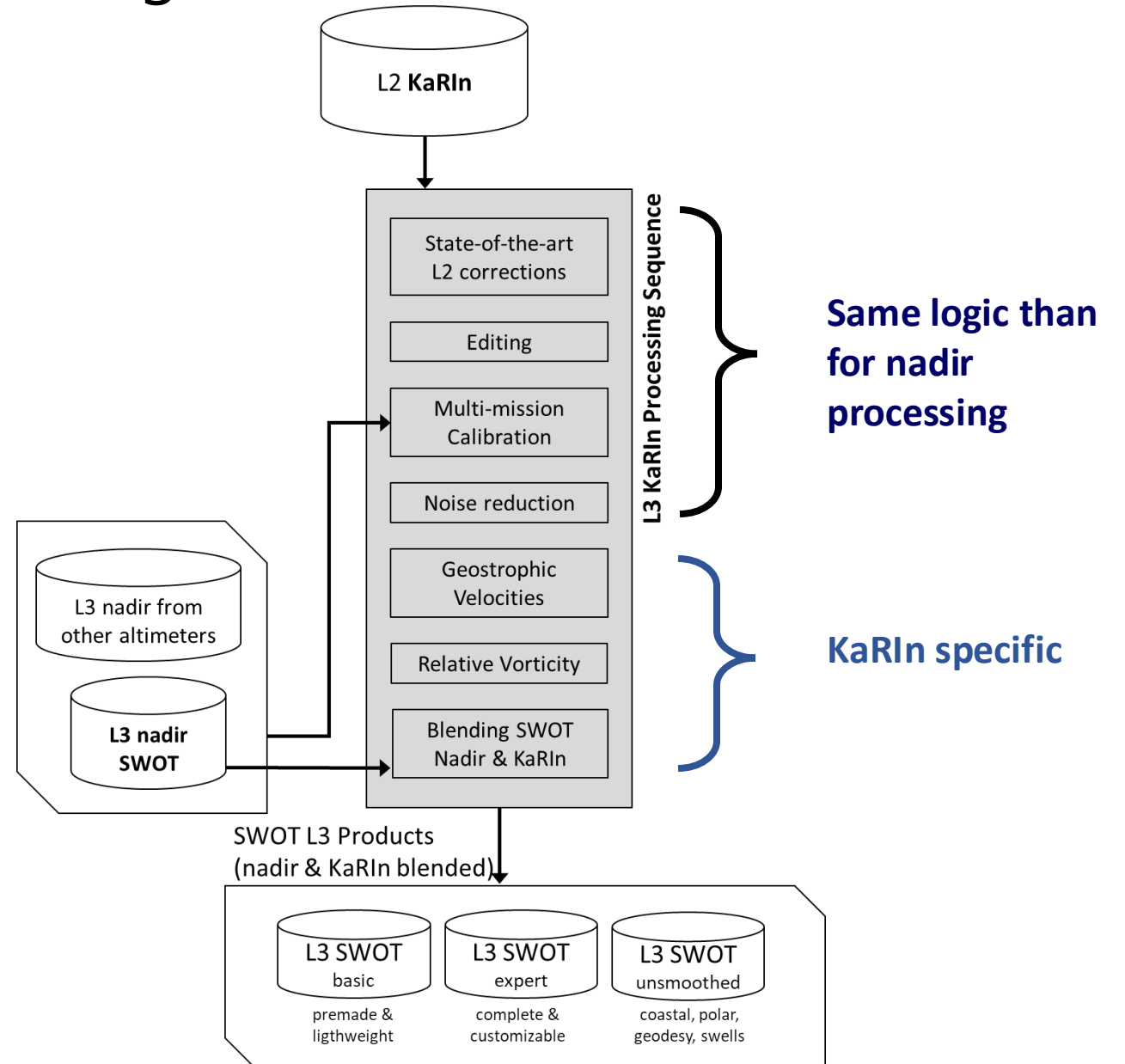


Serve a large community

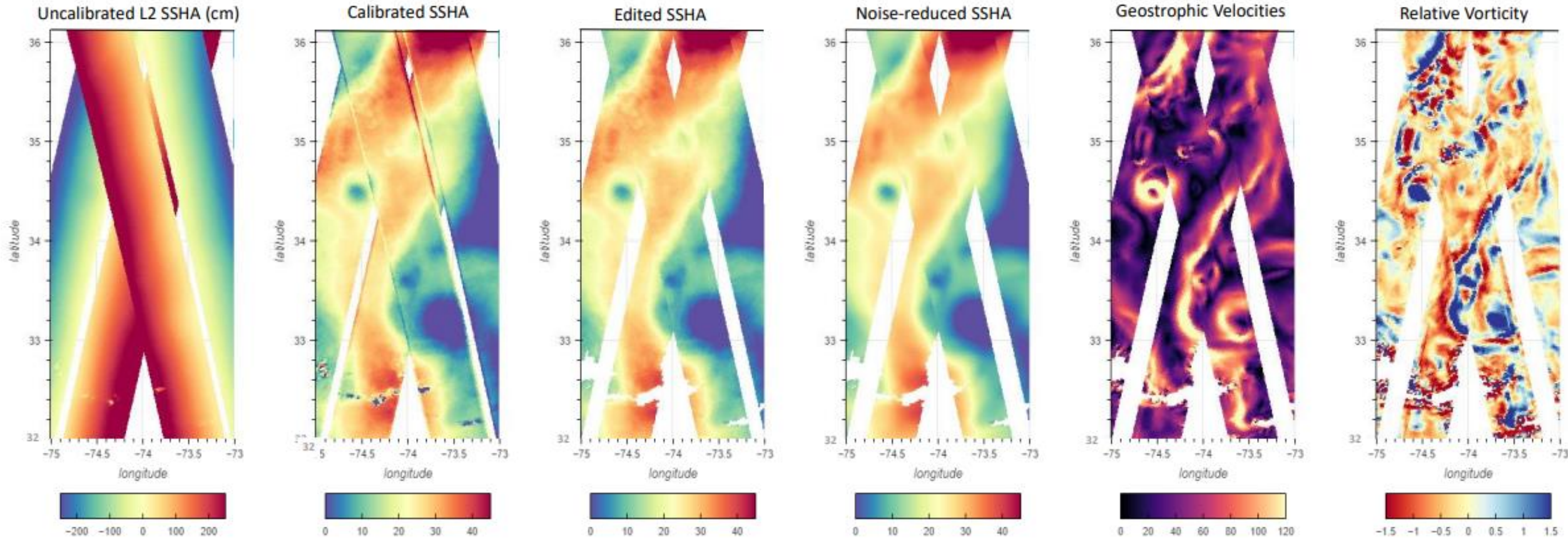
- Flexible to the needs of different communities (SWOT-ST, OSTST, ...)
- Consistent with other nadir products (DUACS)
- Available in DT & NRT

Level-3 KaRIn processing sequence

- Uses L3 from upstream nadir altimeters
- Follow nearly the same sequence than for nadir processing



Level-3 KaRIn end-to-end example



Credits: G. Dibarboure (CNES) & M.I. Pujol (CLS)

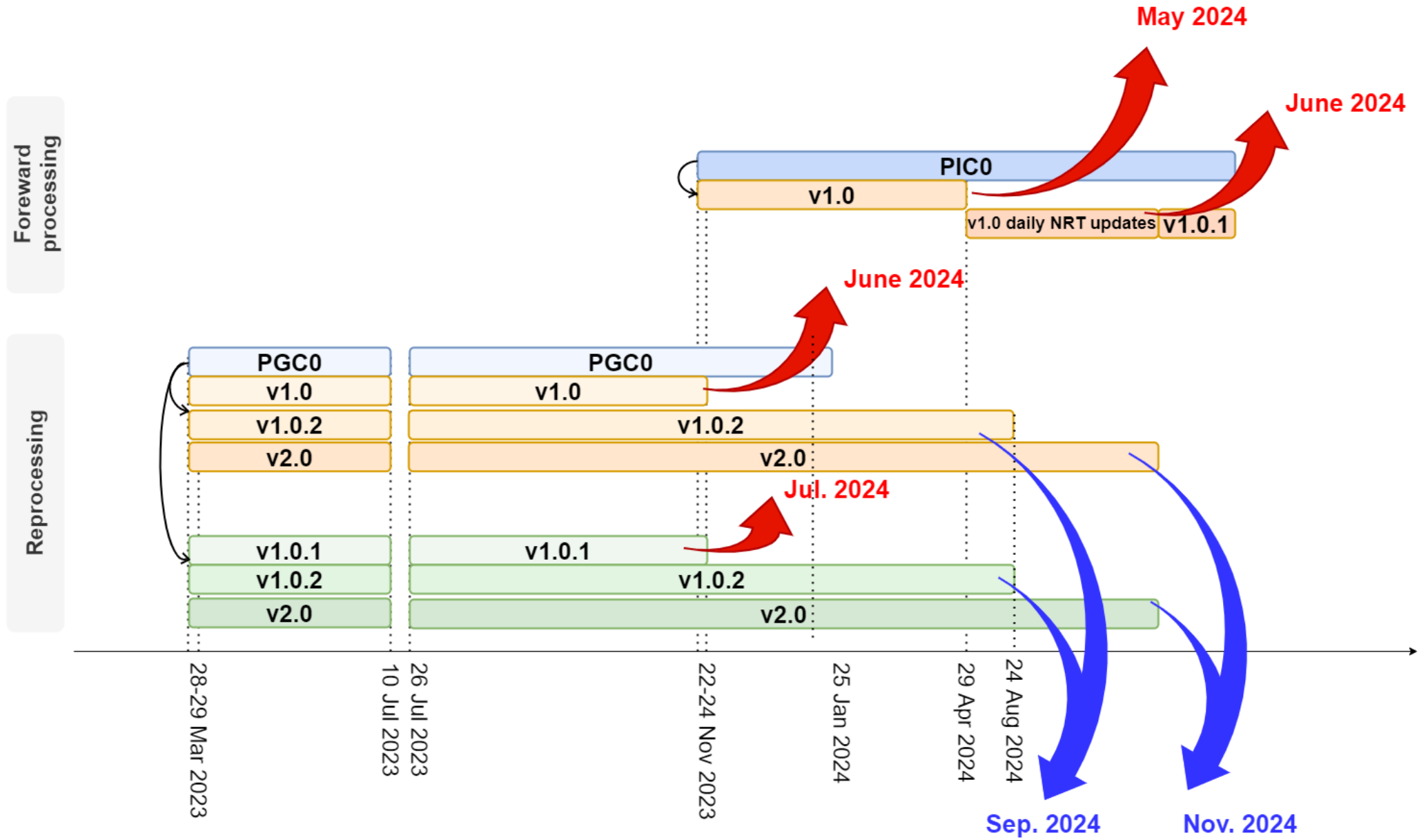
- Small mesoscales remain visible in Level-3 SSHA
- Denoising allows access to a first raw estimate of geostrophic currents & vorticity
- /!\ Denoising is likely to smooth out submesoscale physical features

Level-3 KaRIn: Standards & Corrections

	Level-3 SWOT KaRIn v0.3	Level-3 SWOT KaRIn v1.0
Product standard ref	PIA1 before 2023/09/06; PIB0 between 2023/09/06 and 2023/11/20; PIC0 after	PGC0 before 23/11/2023 PIC0 after
Orbit	MOE-F	POE-F until 30/04/2023 MOE-F after
Ionospheric	GIM model computed from vertical Total Electron Content maps (Chou et al. 2023) rescaled on the orbit altitude with IRI95 model (https://irimodel.org/)	
Wet troposphere	Model computed from ECMWF Gaussian grids	
Sea State Bias	Non-parametric SSB from AltiKa GDR-F (Tran 2019)	
Mean Profile/ Mean Sea Surface	Hybrid MSS (SIO22,CNES/CLS22,DTU21) (Schaeffer et al. 2023; Laloue et al., s. d.)	
Mean Dynamic Topography	MDT CNES_CLS_2022 (Jousset et Mulet 2020; Jousset et al. 2022) available on AVISO+ (https://doi.org/10.24400/527896/a01-2023.003)	
Dry troposphere	Model computed from ECMWF Gaussian grids (new S1 and S2 atmospheric tides are applied)	
DAC	DAC v4.0: TUGO forced with ECMWF pressure and wind fields (S1 and S2 were excluded) + inverse barometer computed from rectangular grids	
Ocean tide	FES2022: (Lyard et al. 2023; Loren Carrère et al. 2023)	
Internal tide	(Zaron 2019)(HRETv8.1 tidal frequencies: M2, K1, S2, O1)	
Pole tide	(Desai, Wahr, et Beckley 2015)& Mean Pole Location	
Solid earth tide	Elastic response to tidal potential (Cartwright et Edden 1973; Cartwright et Tayler 1971)	
Loading tide	FES2022: (Lyard et al. 2023; Loren Carrère et al. 2023)	

- Some standards are specific to the L3
- The quality of some corrections have a significant impact on KaRIn L3 product quality
- Some standards are susceptible to change from a L3 version to the other

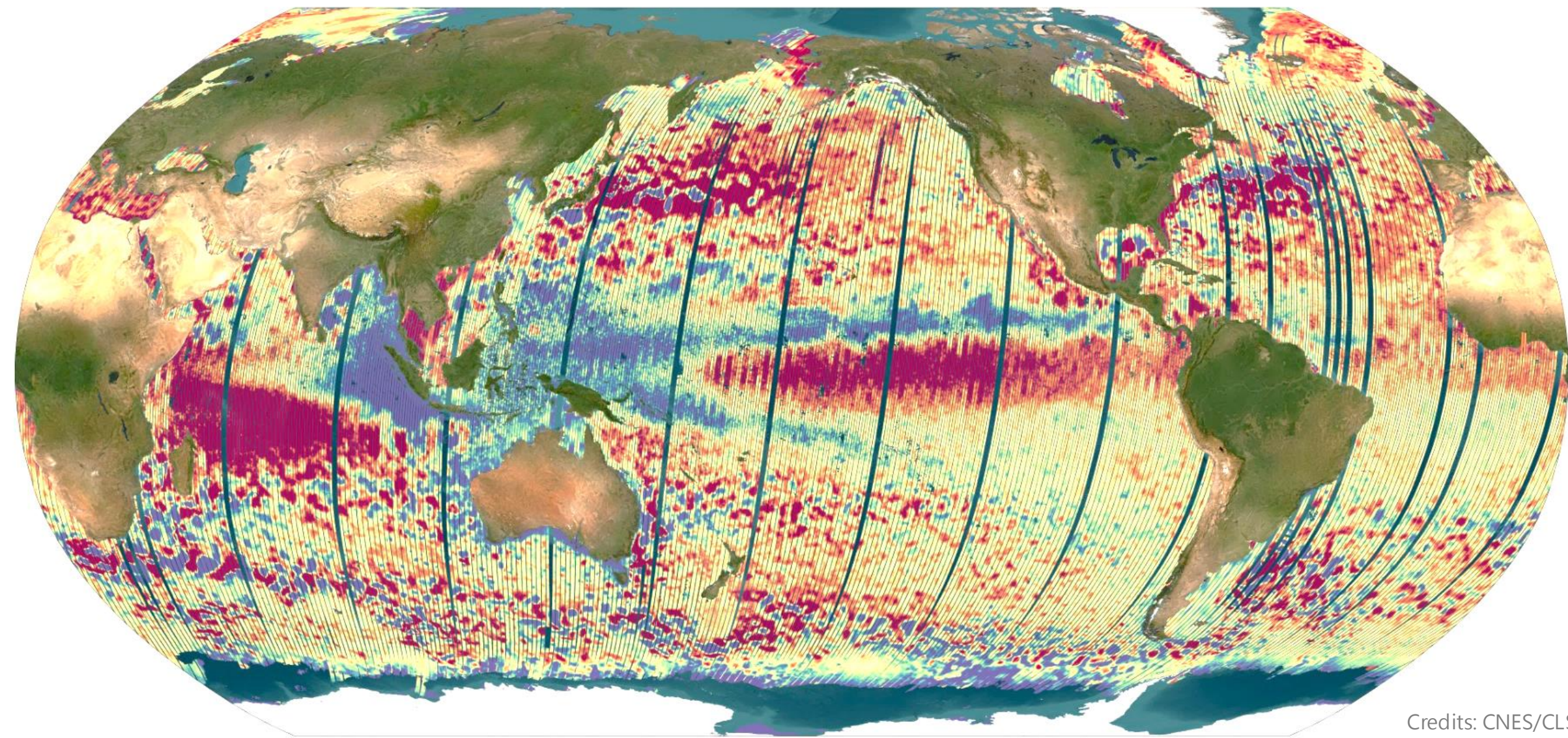
Level-3 KaRIn products versions (2023-2024)





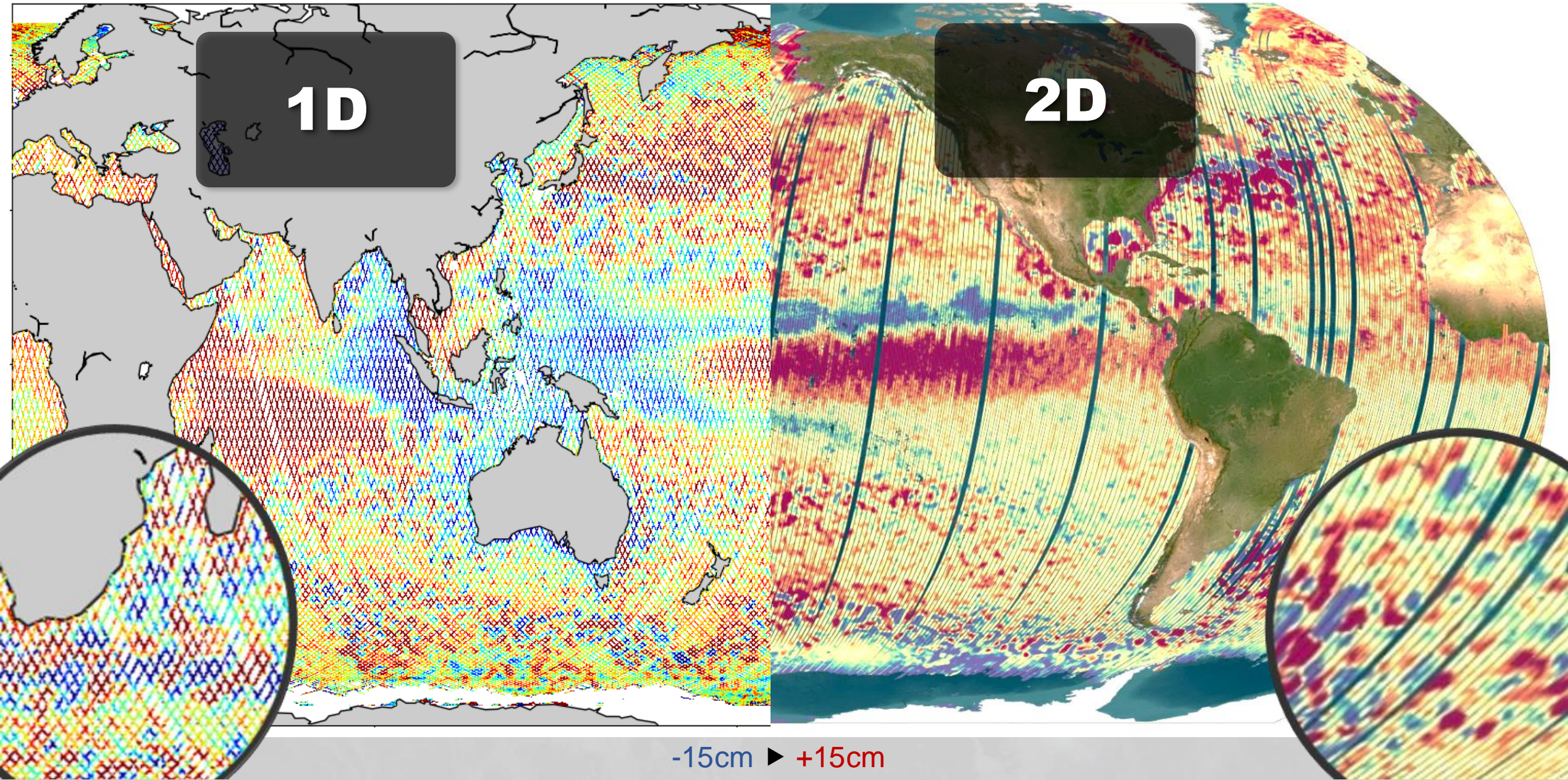
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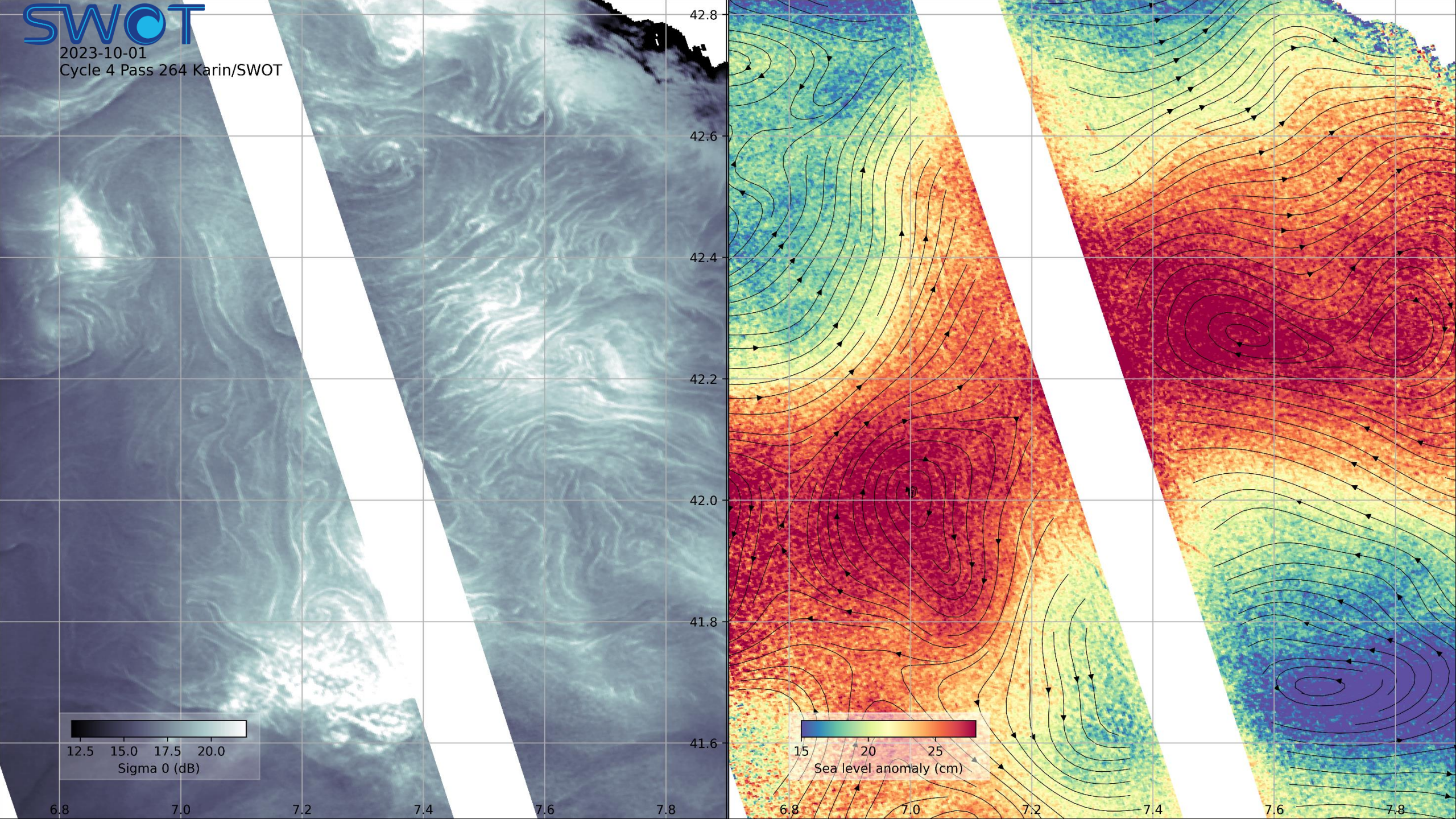
Ocean circulation: First results



Credits: CNES/CLS

-15cm ► +15cm

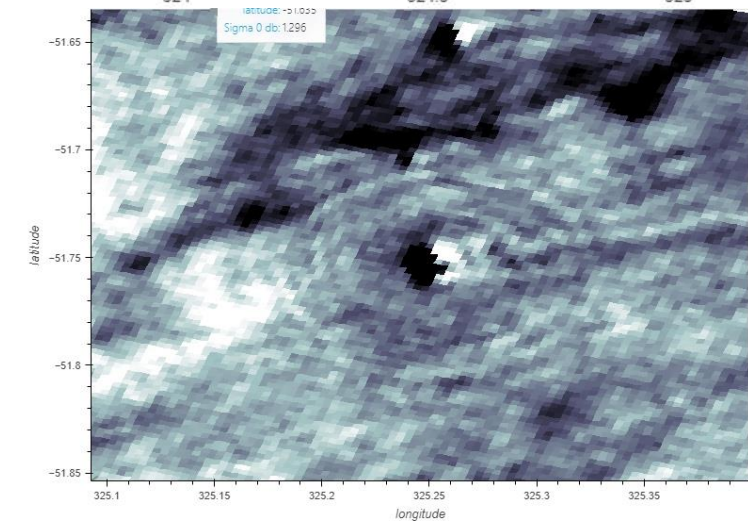
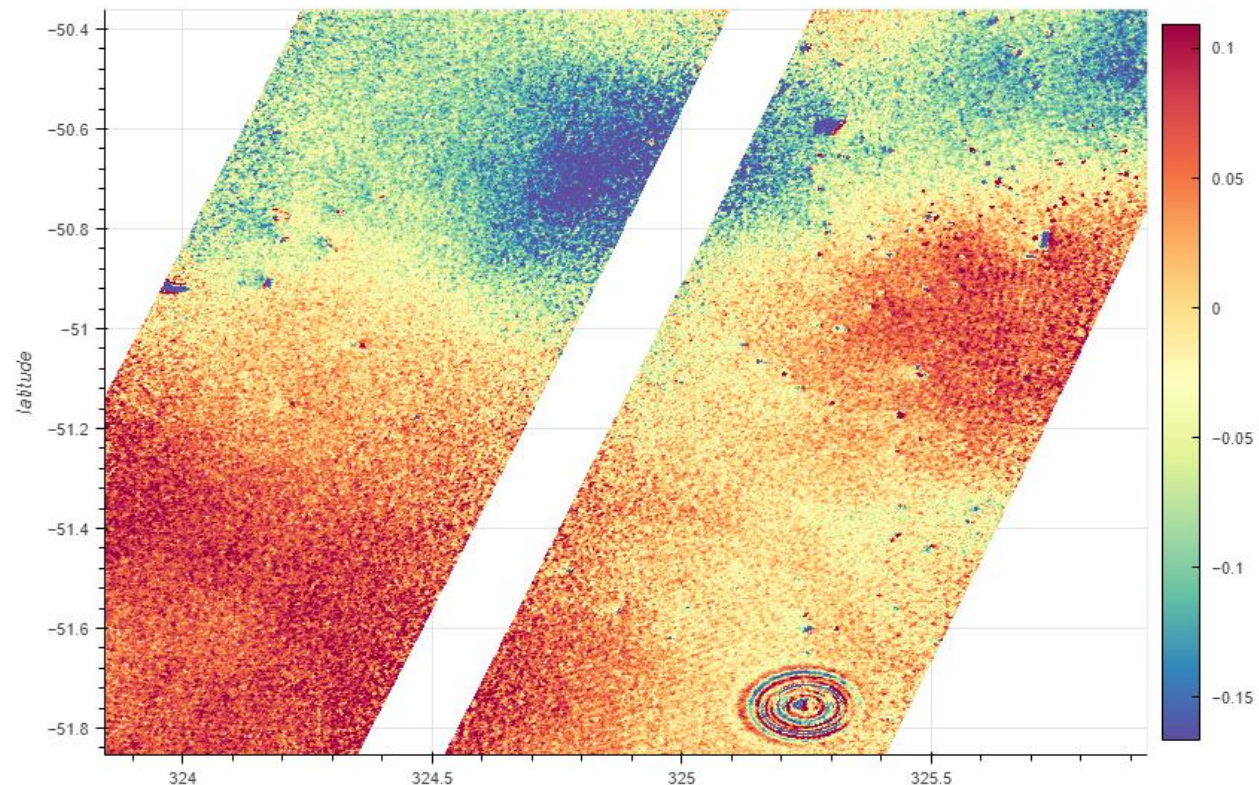
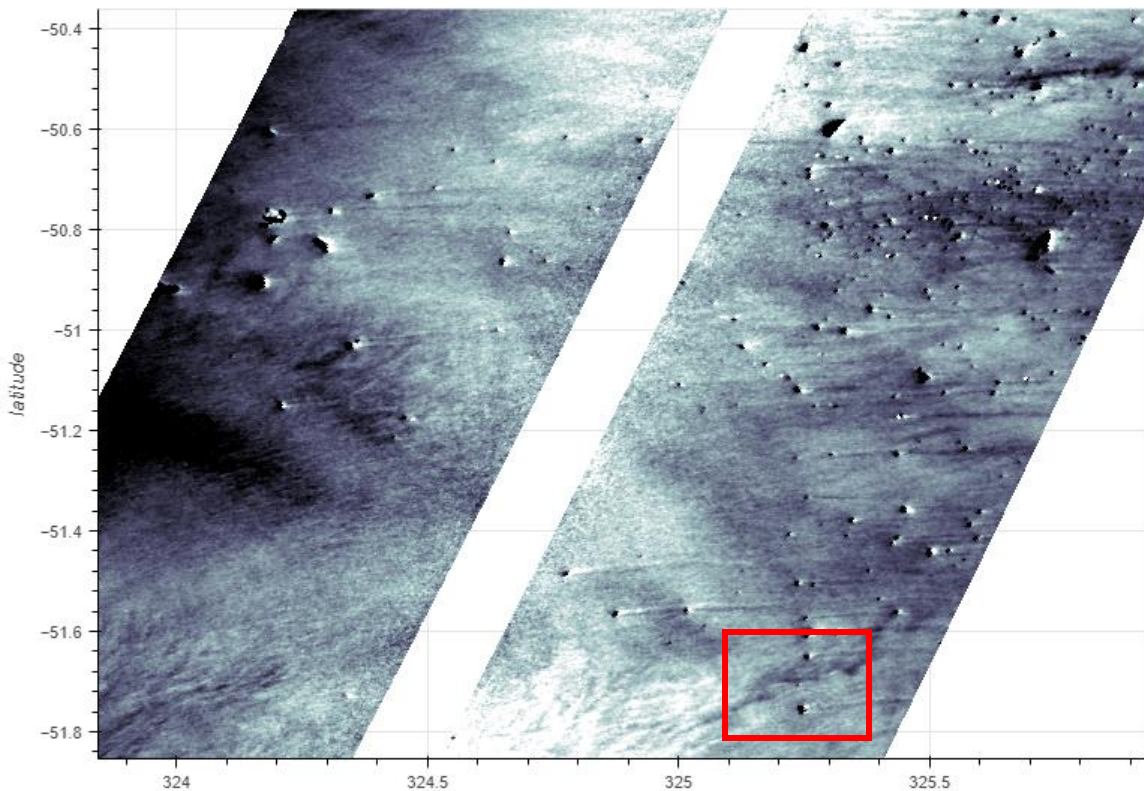




*Unbalanced
motions:
tsunamis to
internal waves*

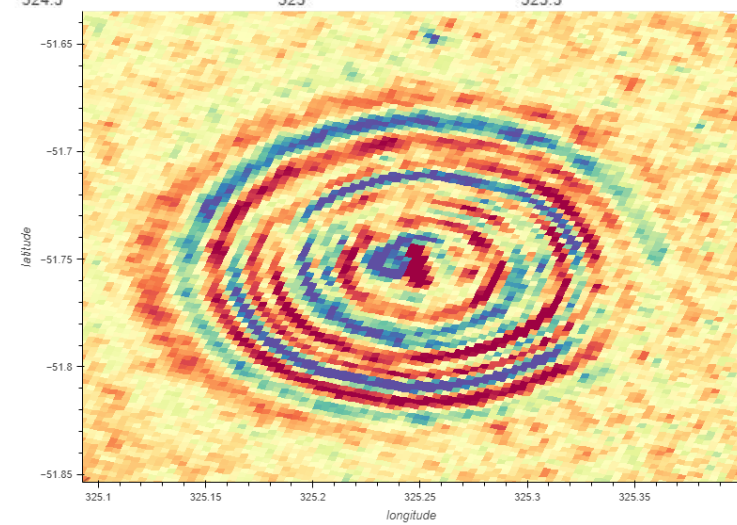


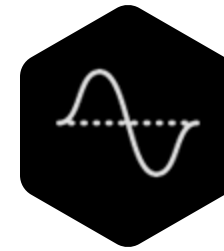
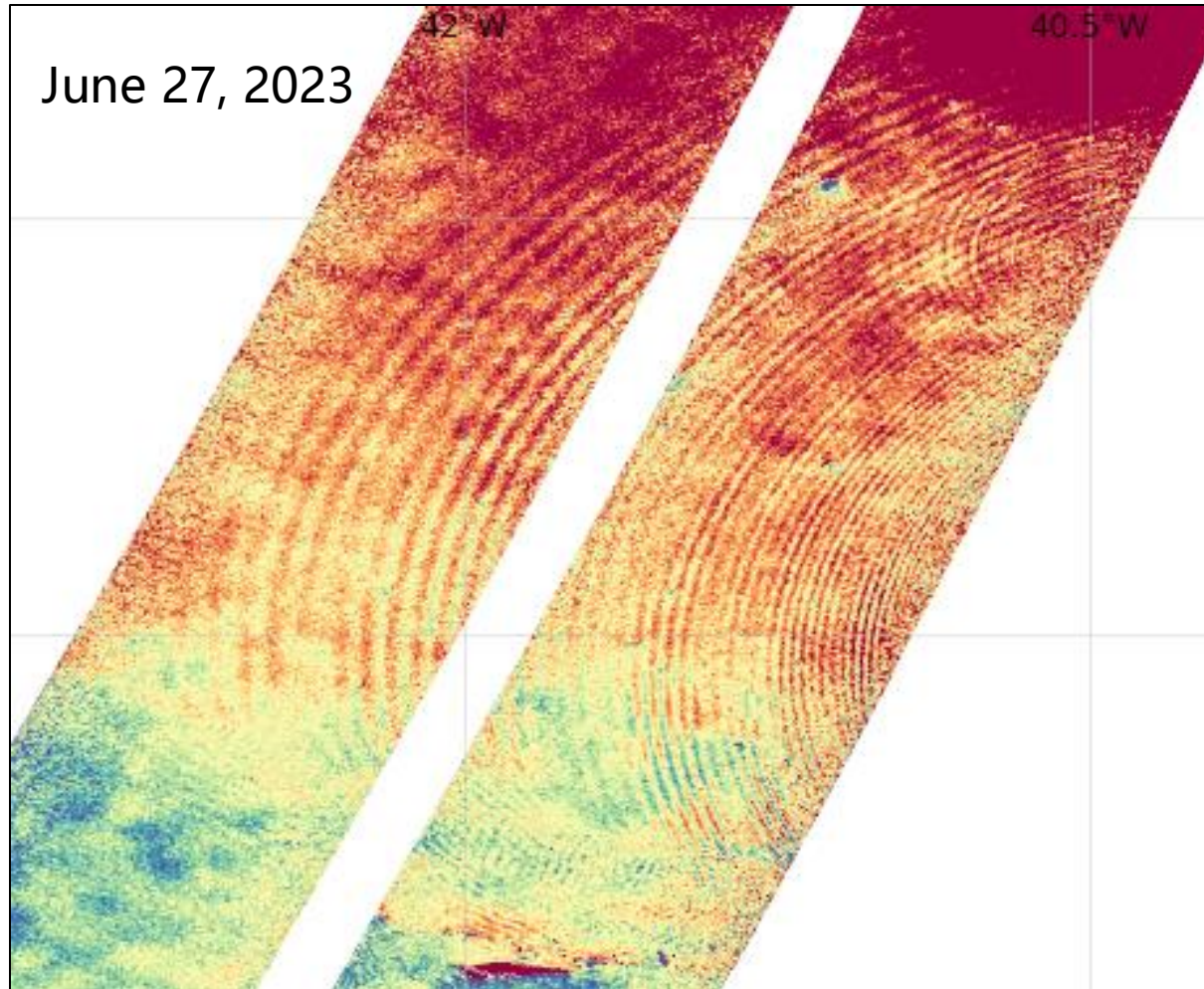
Occasional circular waves near icebergs



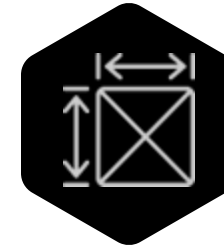
Mini-tsunamis occur as the
iceberg capsizes
(massive water displacement)

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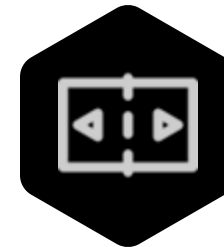




Amplitude up to
10+ cm

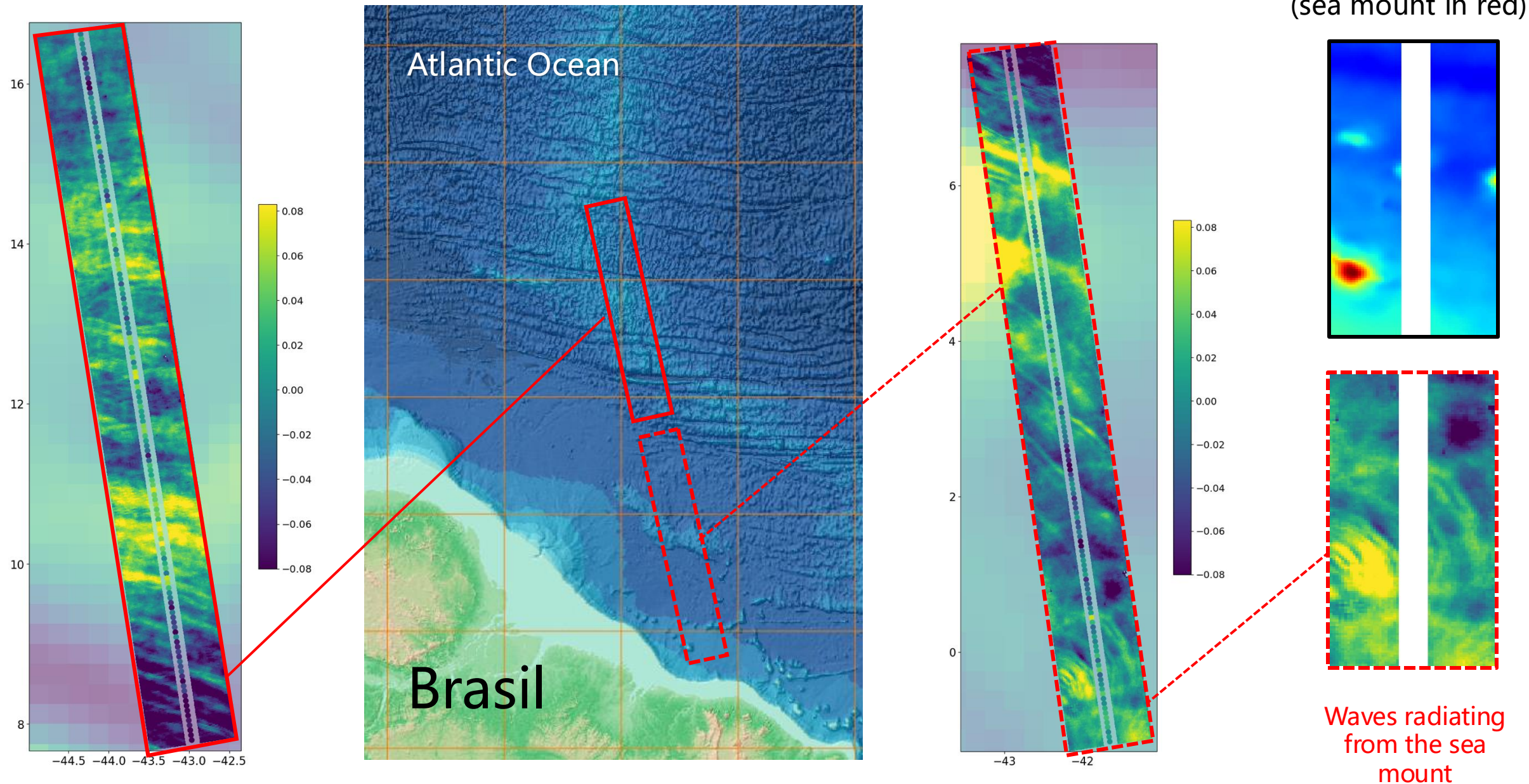


Radius up to
200km



Widening of wave
front from 250m to
10km

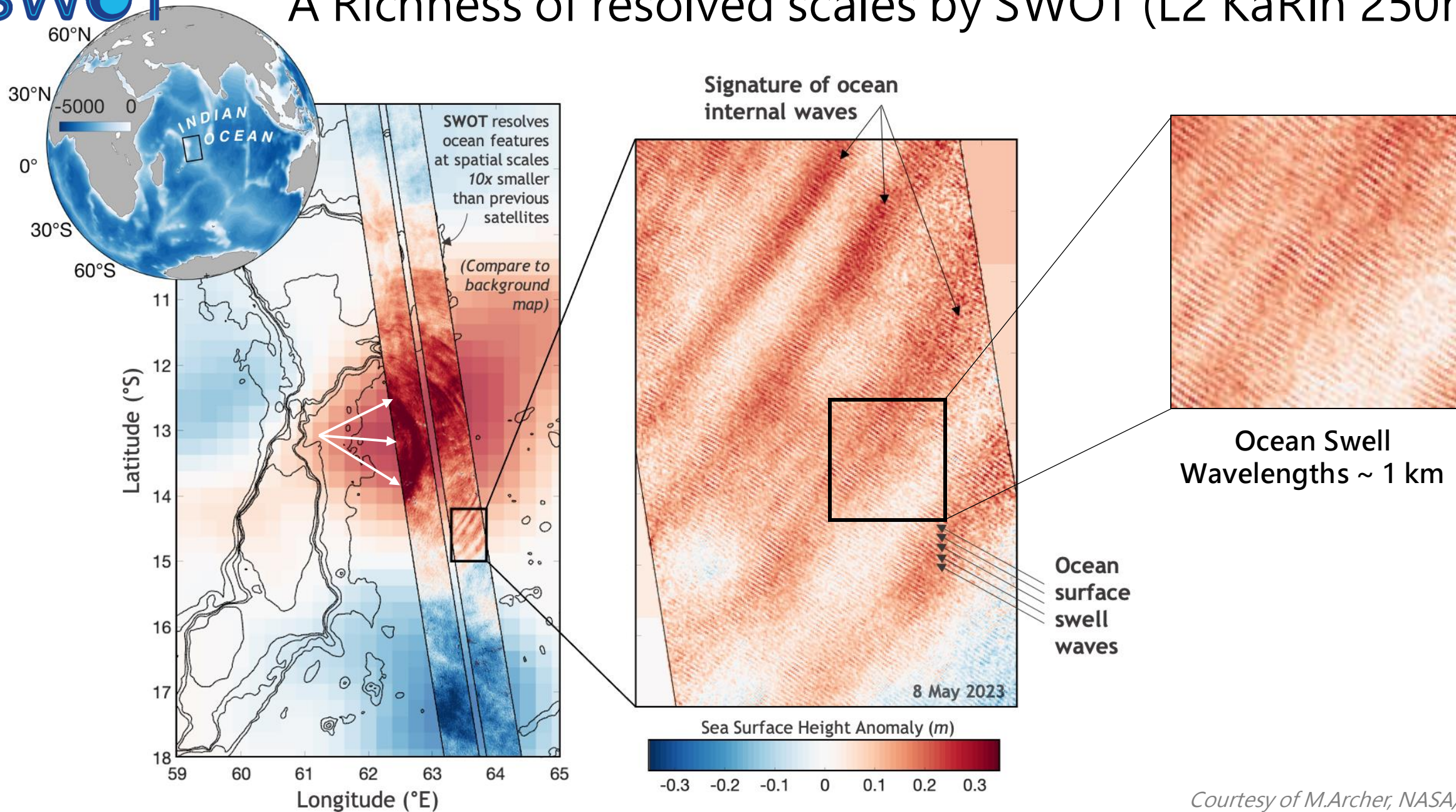
Internal tide patterns in the Tropical Atlantic

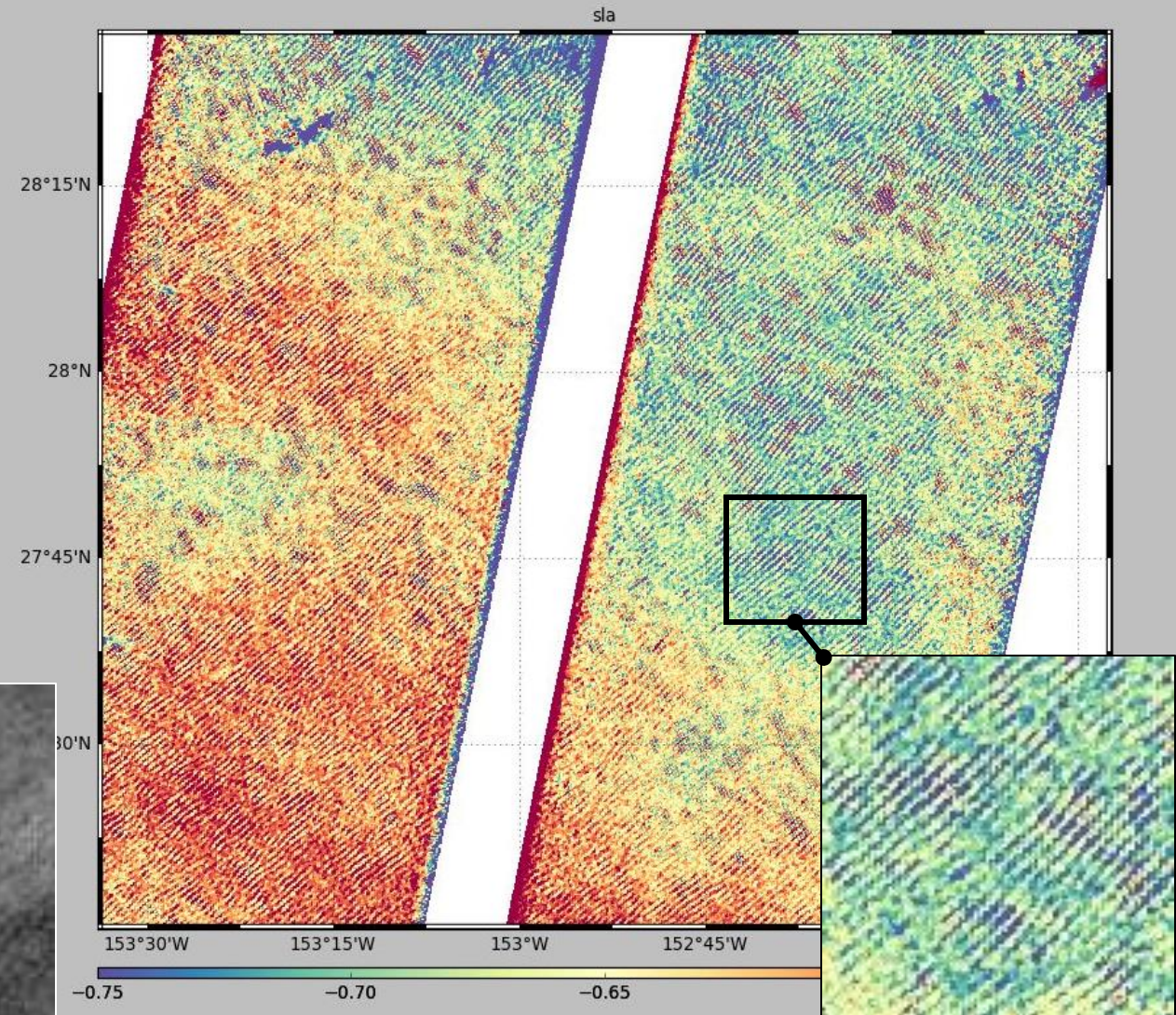
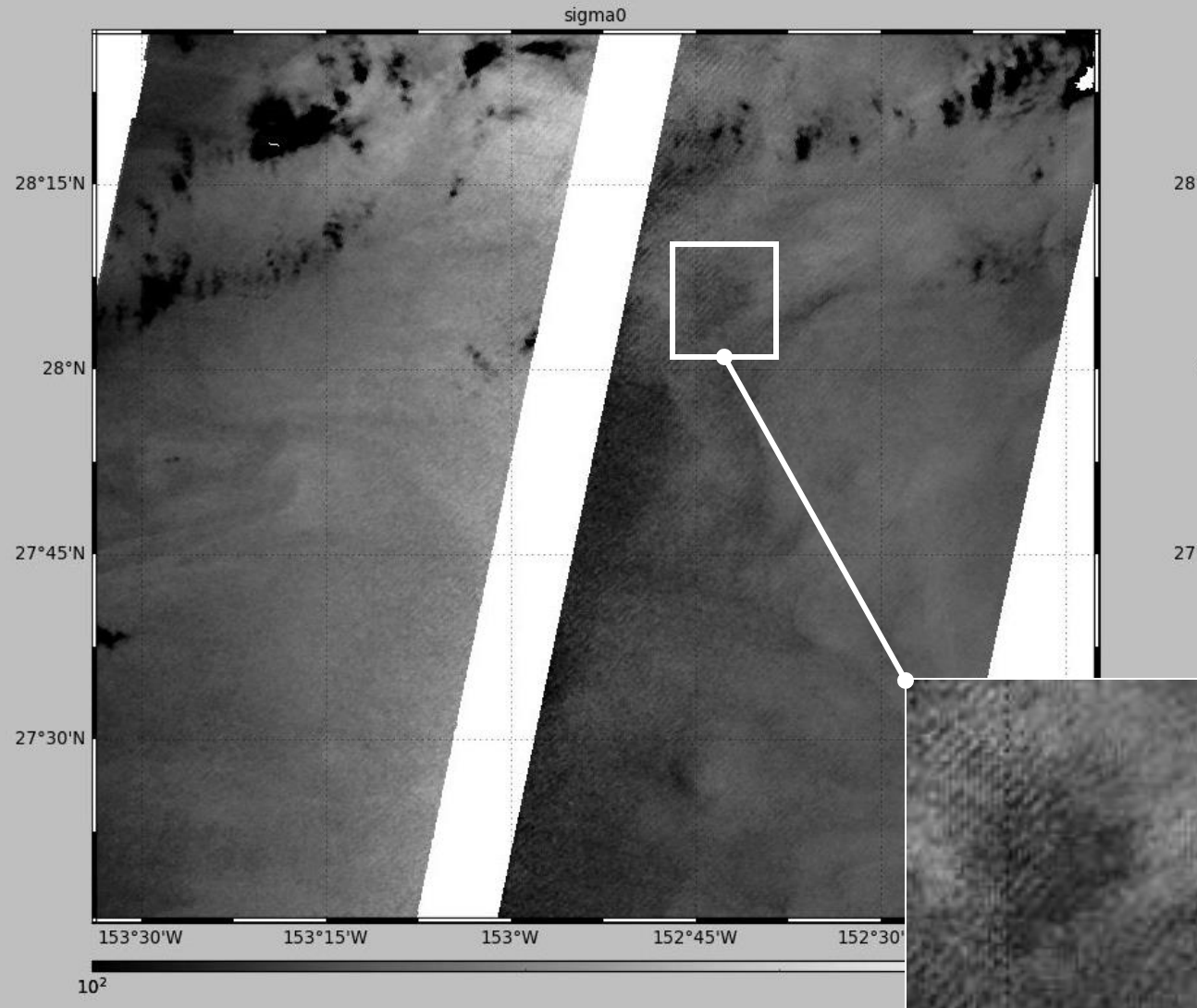


Resolved ocean swells



A Richness of resolved scales by SWOT (L2 KaRIn 250m)

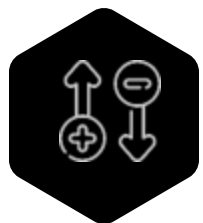




6-day sequence of the MAWAR crossing (2-km)



Sea level decreases suddenly in the cyclone wake (20 cm): heat potential was siphoned



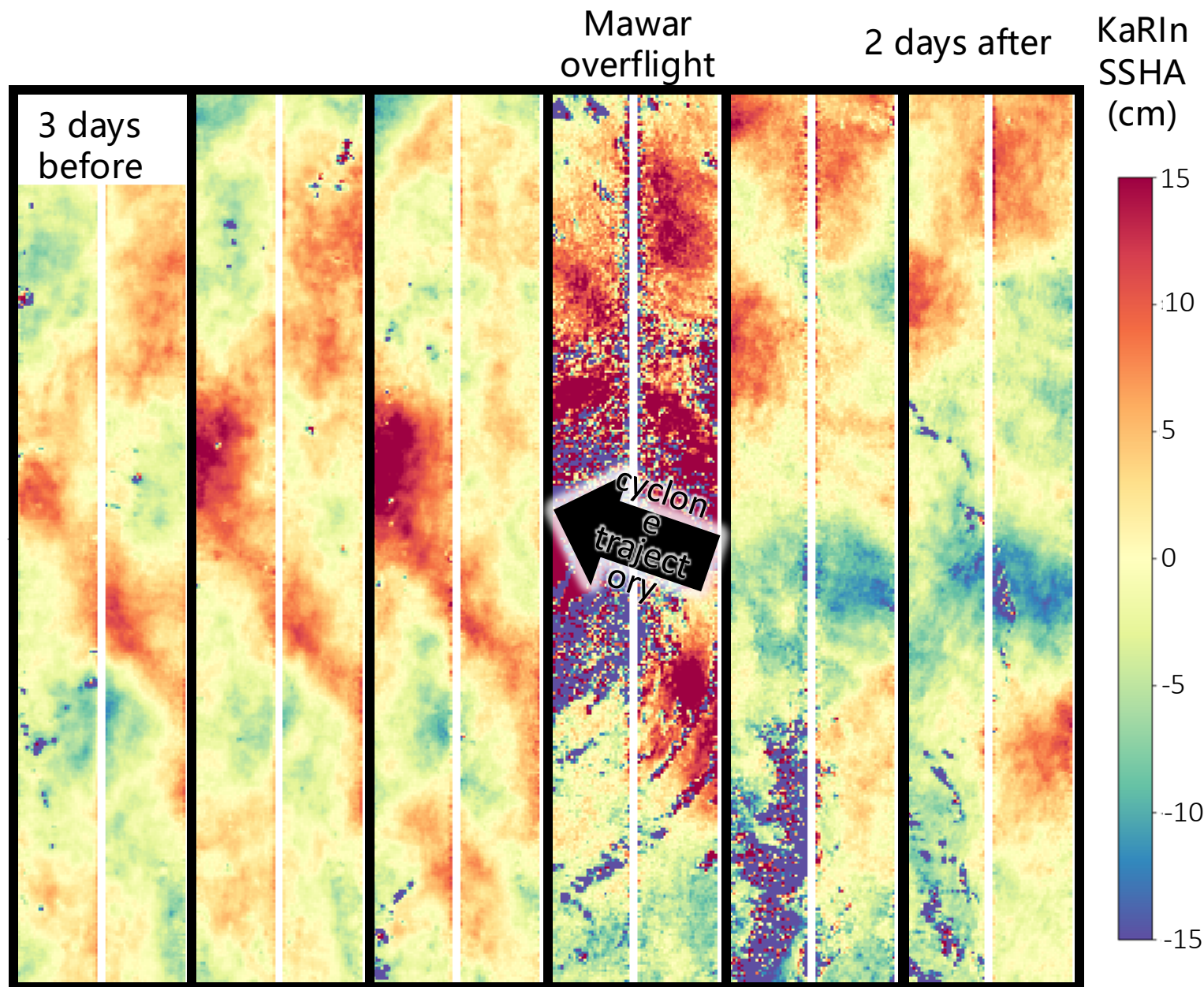
Positive bias in the storm area: inverse barometer residuals from ECMWF model



Noise before /after the cyclone enters the SWOT swath (high waves around the storm)



Circular and wake patterns behind the cyclone





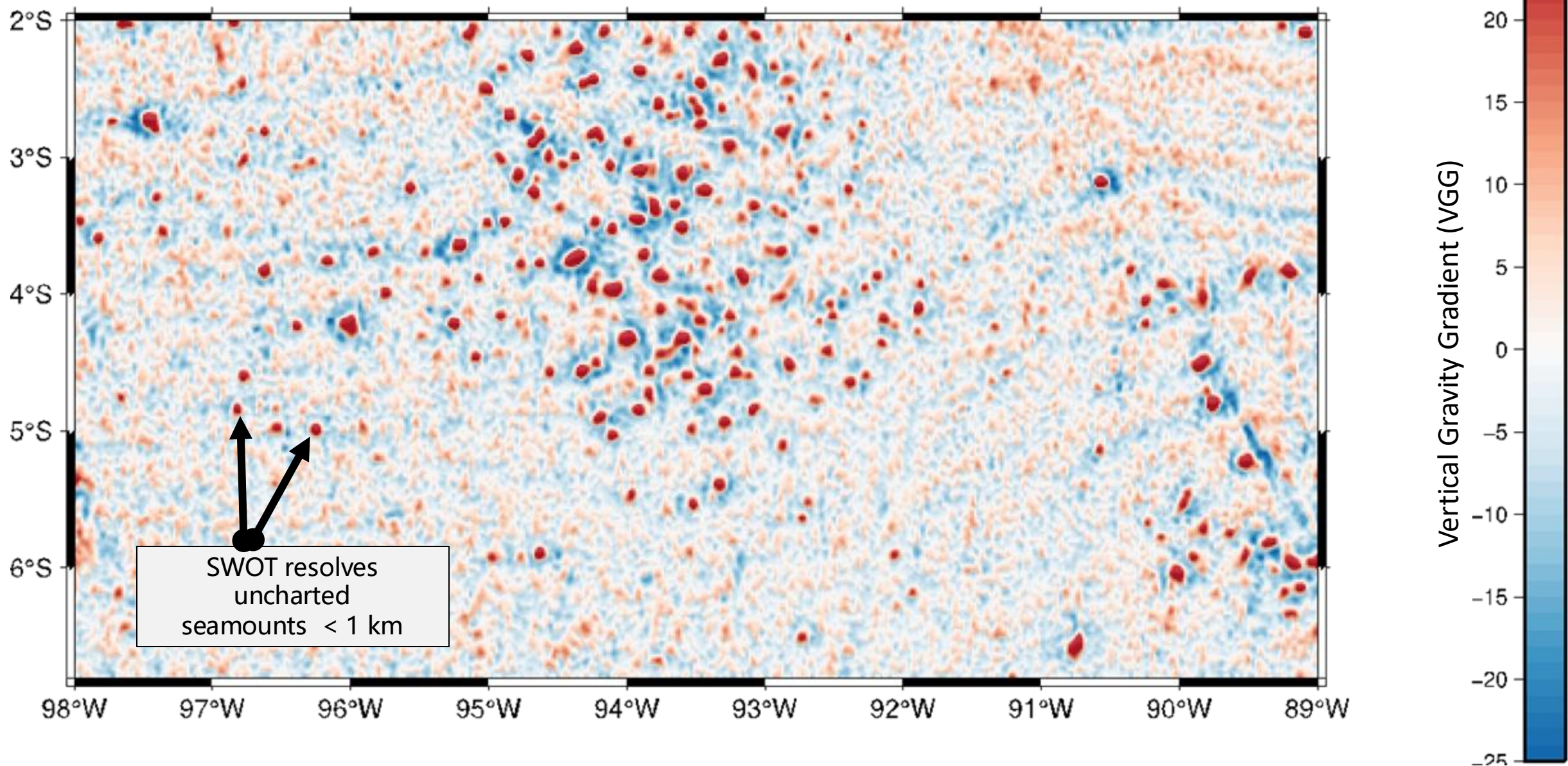
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Marine Geodesy



Hundreds of seamounts charted by SWOT in < 1 year

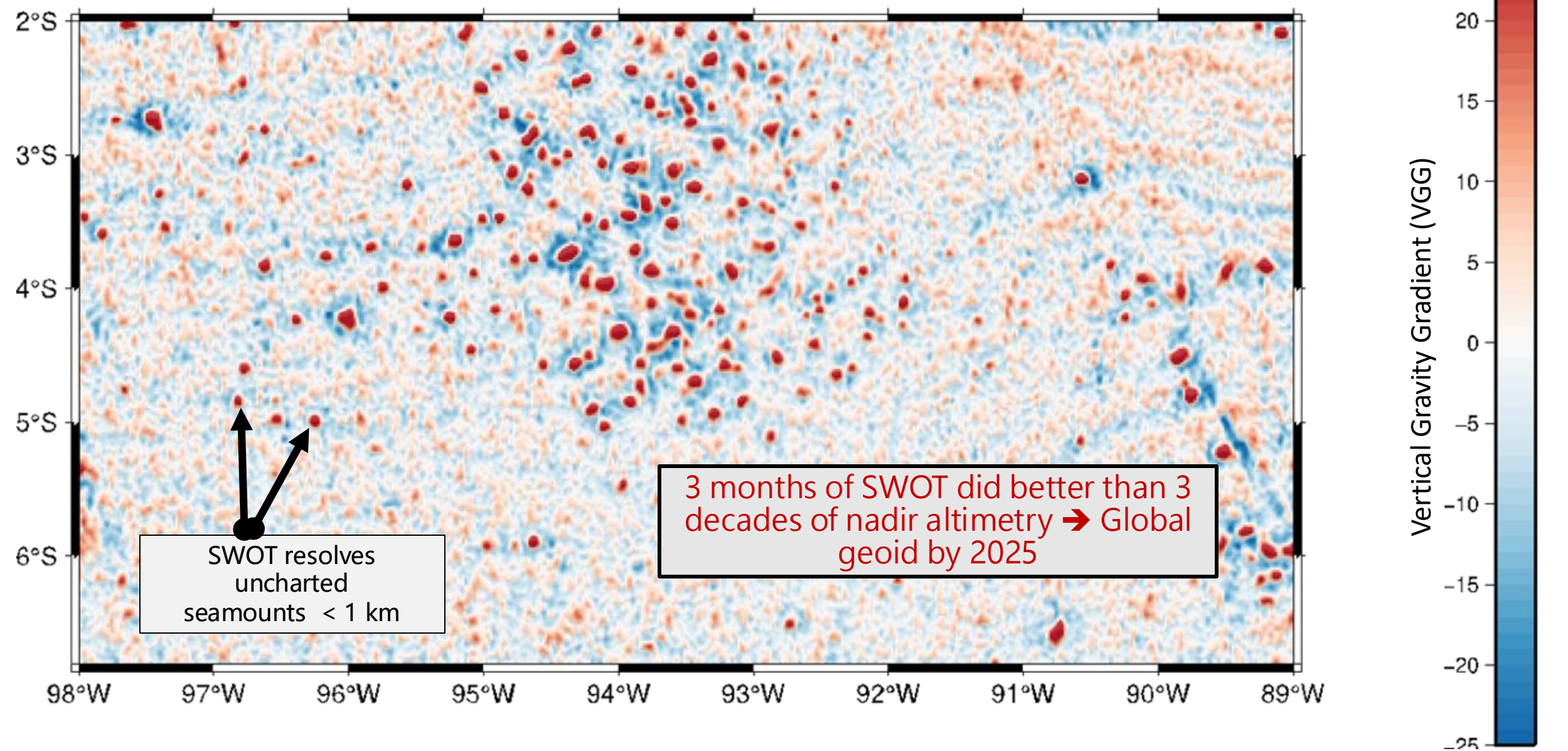
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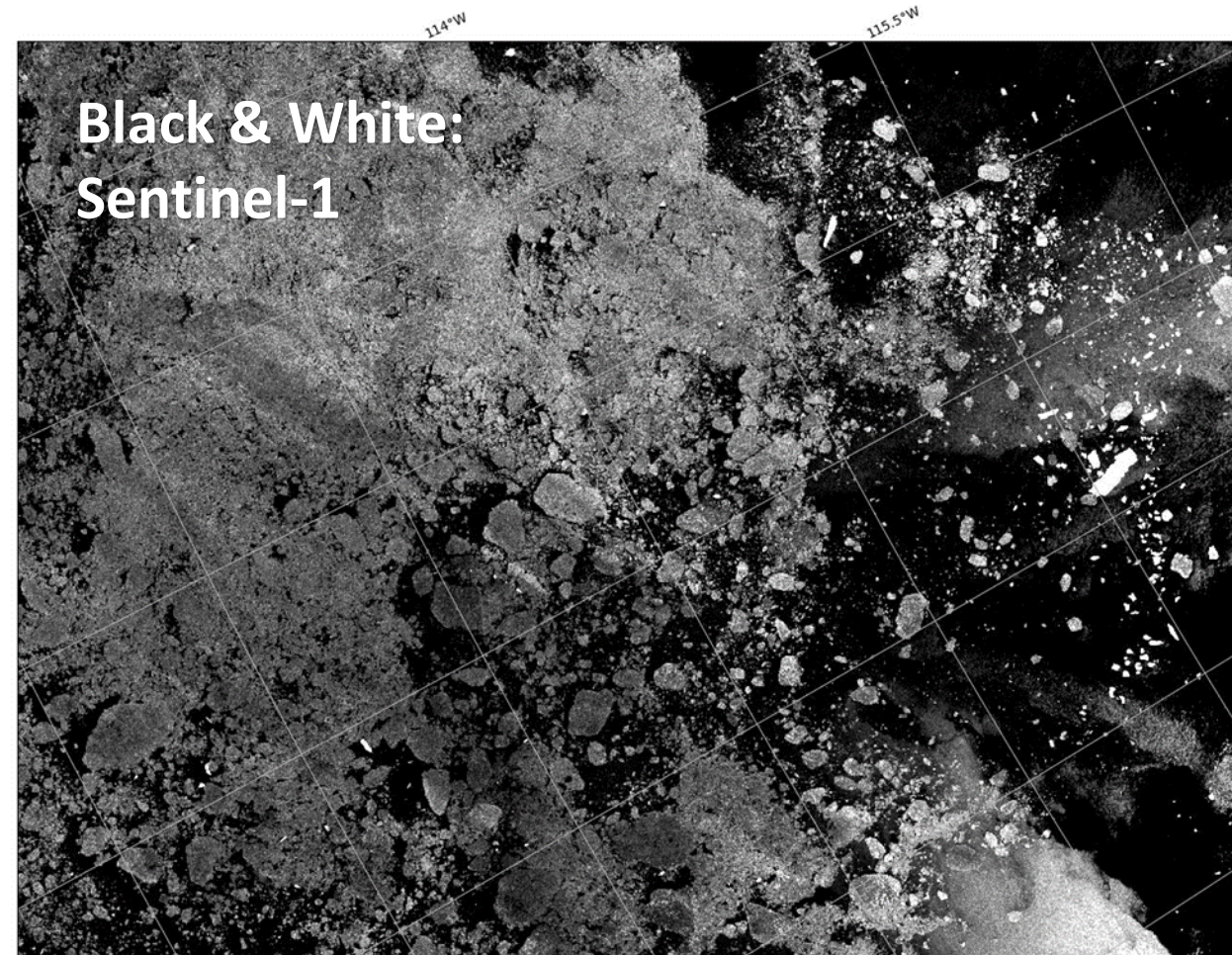
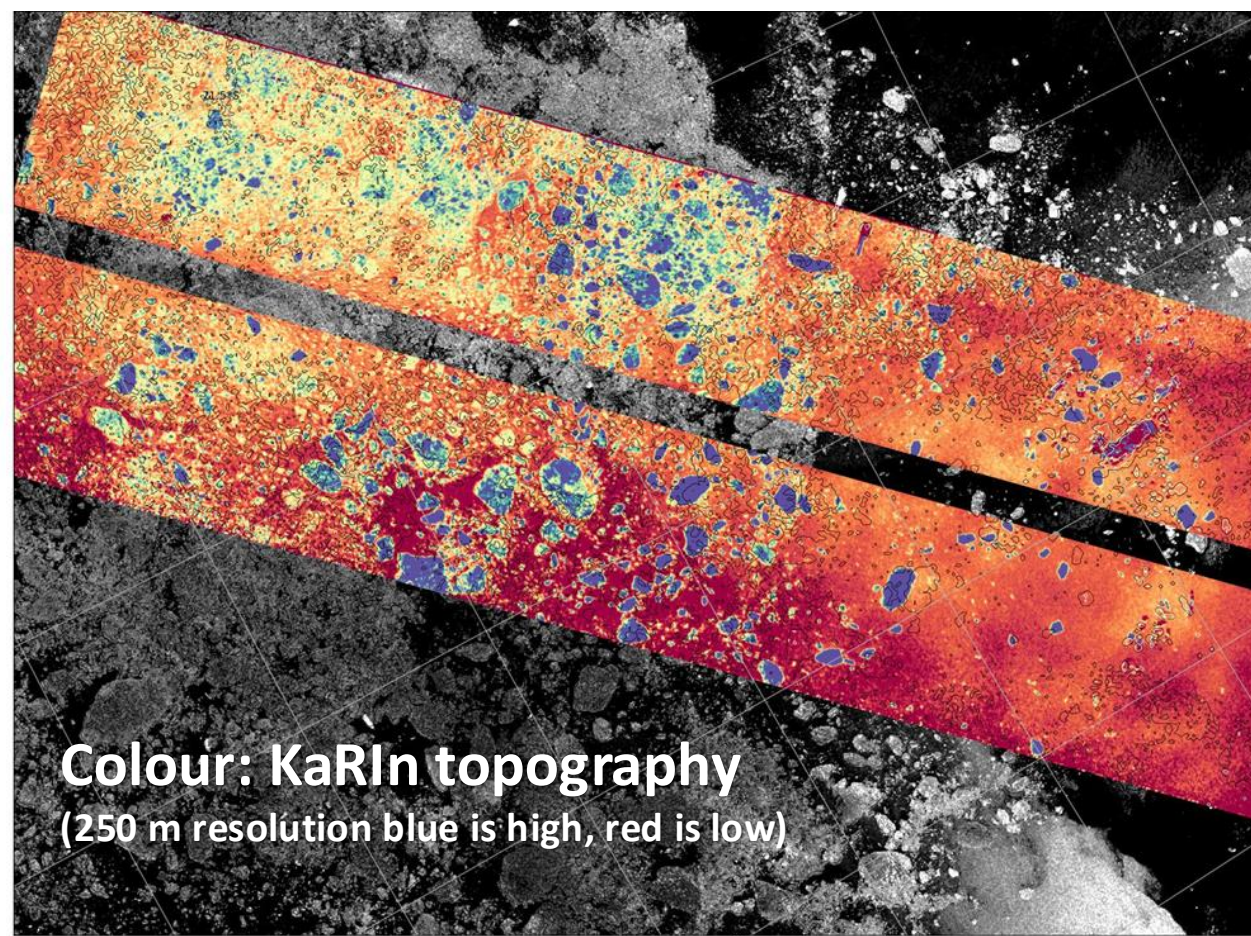
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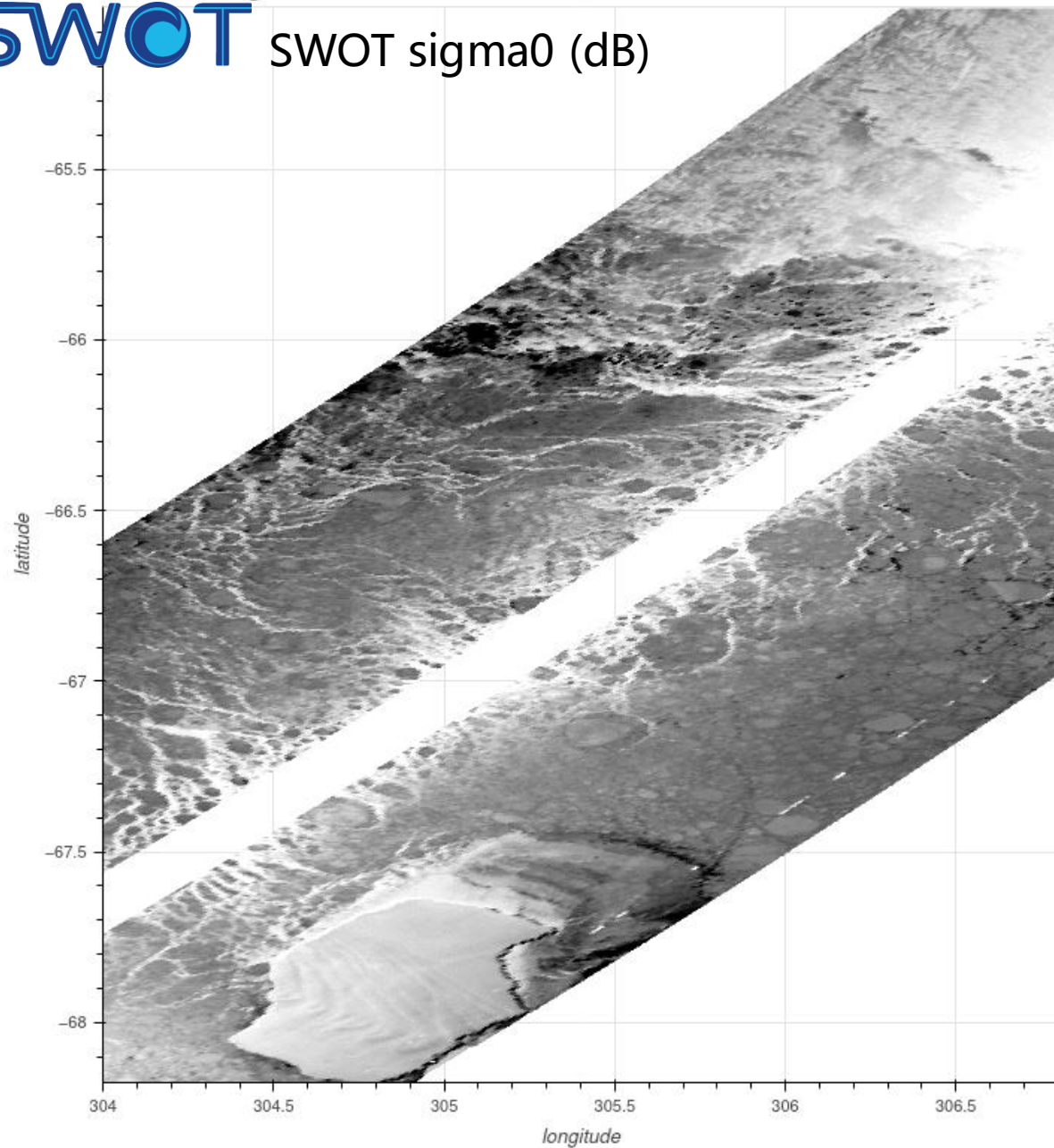


Polar Regions

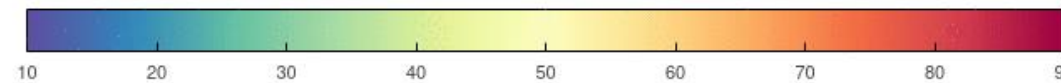
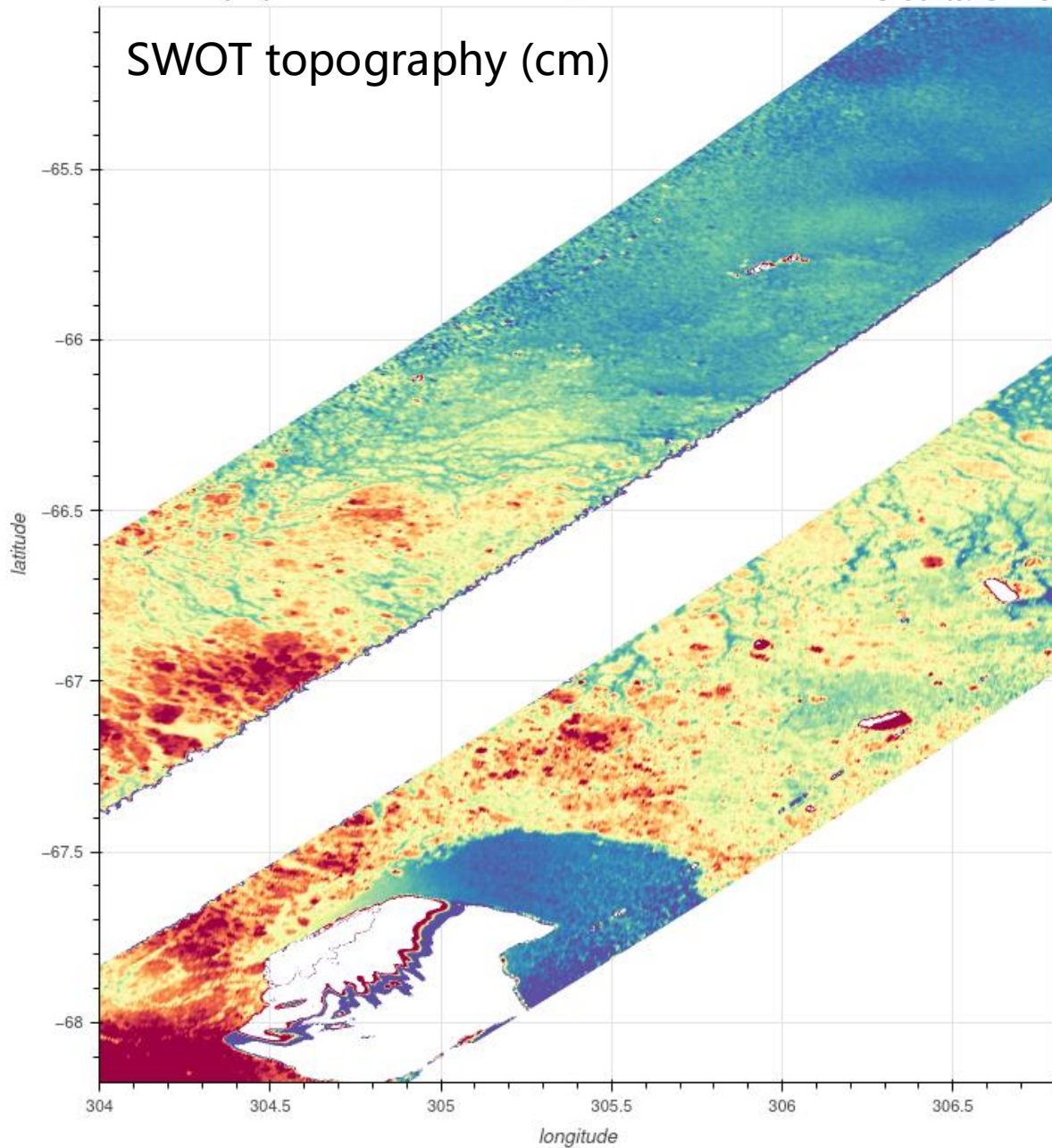


Sea-ice: 250m freeboard and thickness in 2D





SWOT topography (cm)



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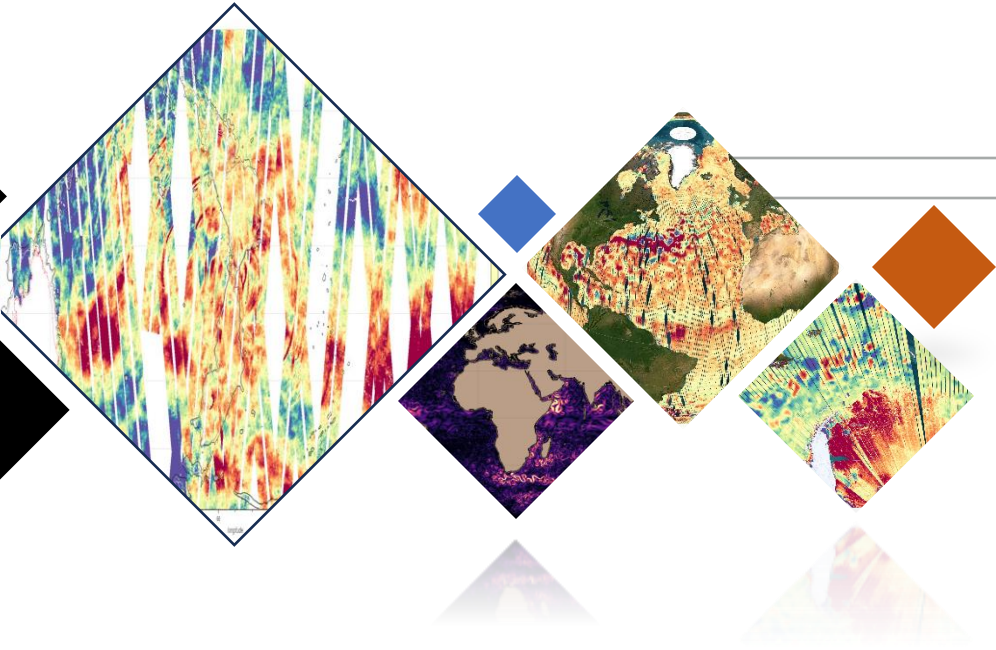
WHERE TO GET SWOT OCEAN PRODUCTS?



AVISO
L2, L3 & L4 Products

OPeNDAP / HTTPServer / (S)FTP / WMS / Viewers / ...

PODAAC
L1B, L2 Products



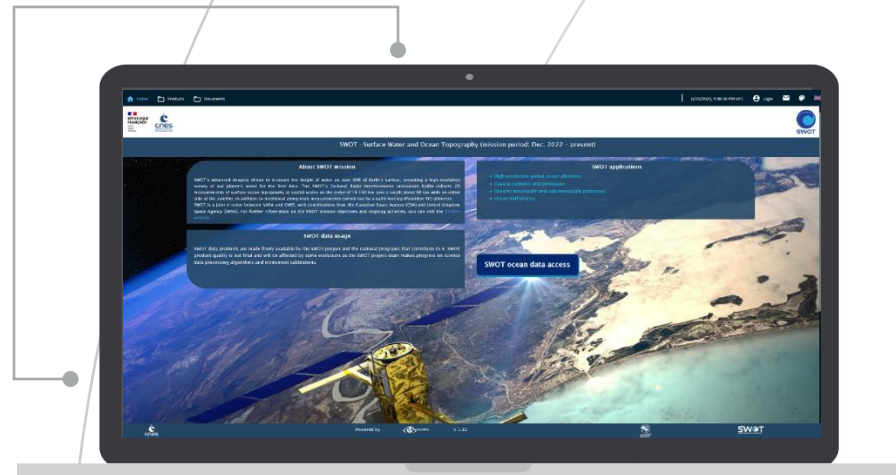
Data Access on ODATIS/AVISO

Protocols/APIs for exposing/querying metadata and have access to related data sets based on FAIR (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable and Reusable) principles

Data Access Services:

- AVISO CNES Data Center (archive catalog)
- THREDDS (OPeNDAP, WMS, and HTTP)
- FTP/SFTP,...

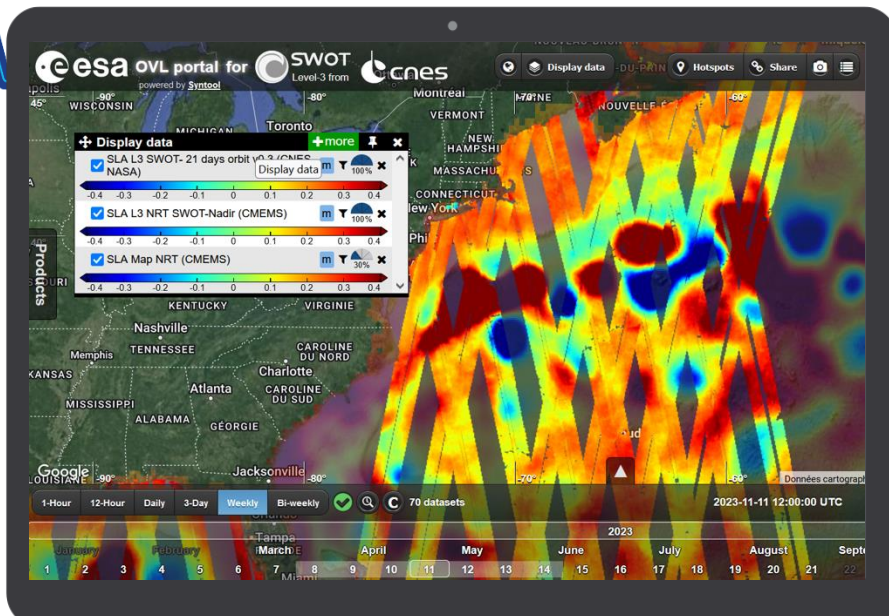
PRIOR REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED USING AVISO+ CREDENTIALS



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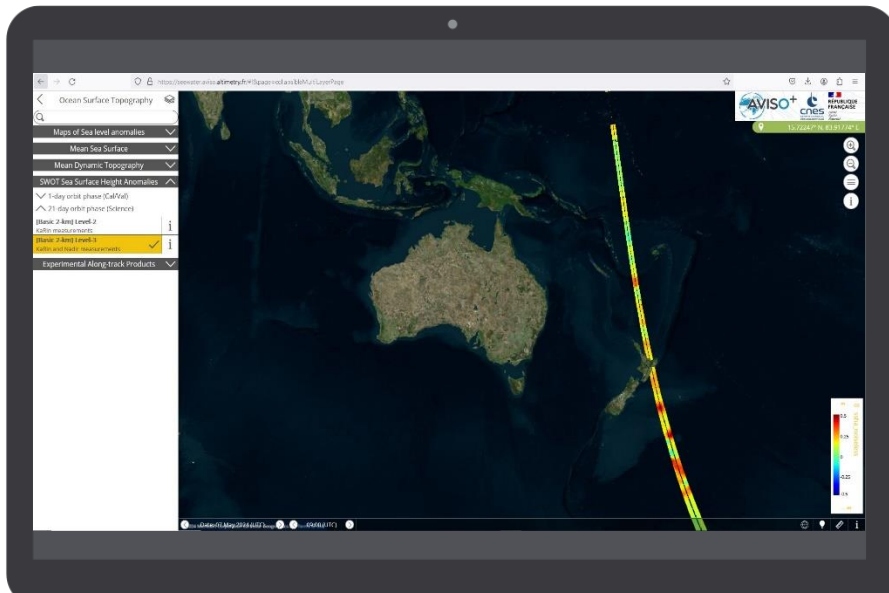


SWOT OCEAN DATA ACCESS & SERVICES



OVL WEB PORTAL

Exploration web portal for CNES Level-3 SWOT products (in collaboration with ESA and Ocean Data Lab)



SEEWATER AVISO WEB PORTAL

Seewater provides an interactive web interface for exploring AVISO products (MSS, MDT, SLA,...)

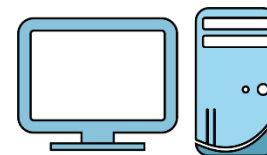


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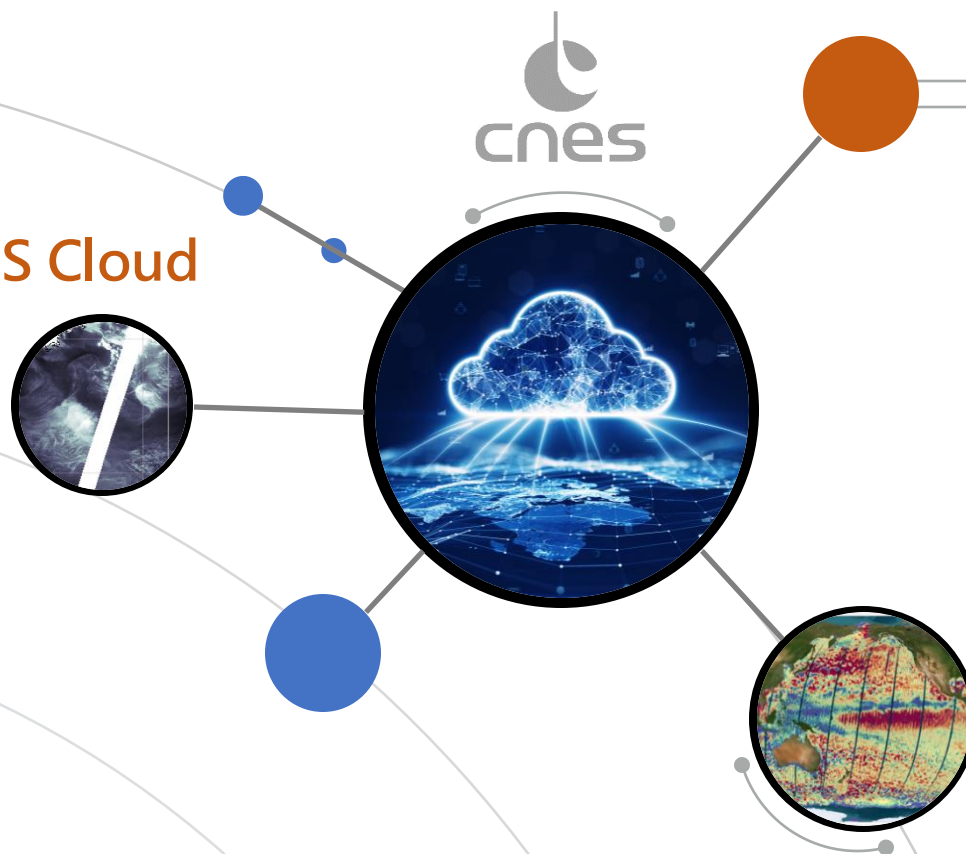
Catalog requests and download tools

Small volumetry downloads



STORAGE ON LOCAL MACHINE

Free Hosting
of SWOT Projects on CNES Cloud



CNES CLOUD

- FREE HOSTING ON CNES CLOUD/HPC INFRASTRUCTURE
- HIGH PROCESSING POWER (CPU & GPU)
- VERY FAST I/O FOR SWOT 250-M & 2-KM
- A SERIES OF SIMPLE EXAMPLES, POWERFUL TOOLS & EXTERNAL DATA
- PRIVACY FOR PROJECT MEMBERS (OR OPEN REPOSITORY IF YOU PREFER)
- HELPDESK & TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR SMOOTH SAILING

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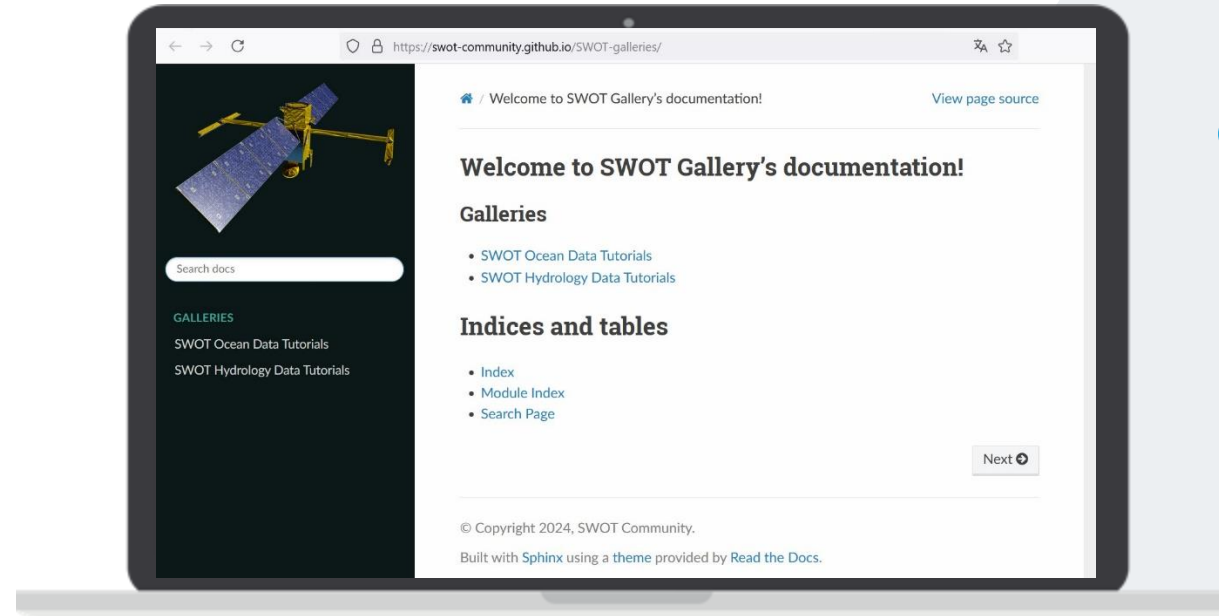
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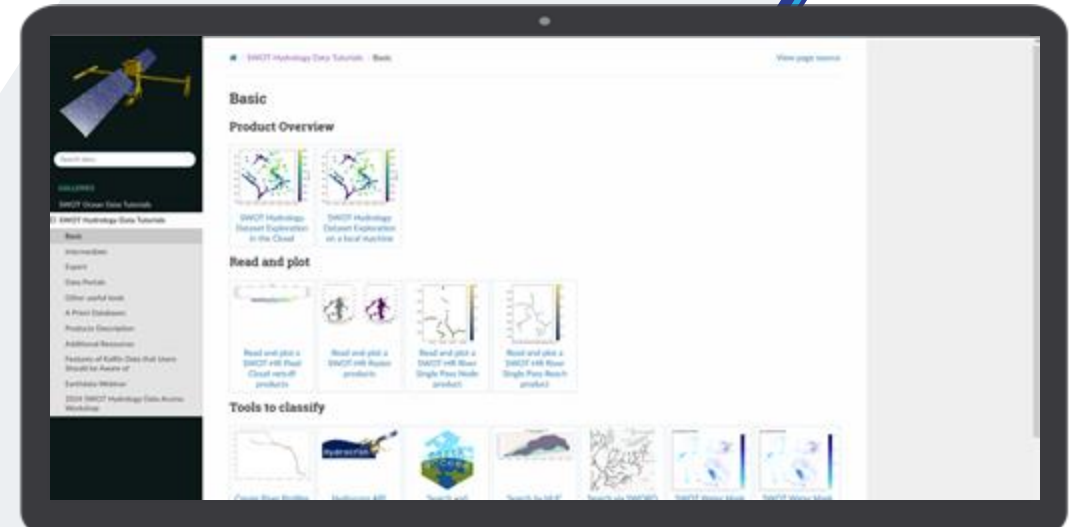
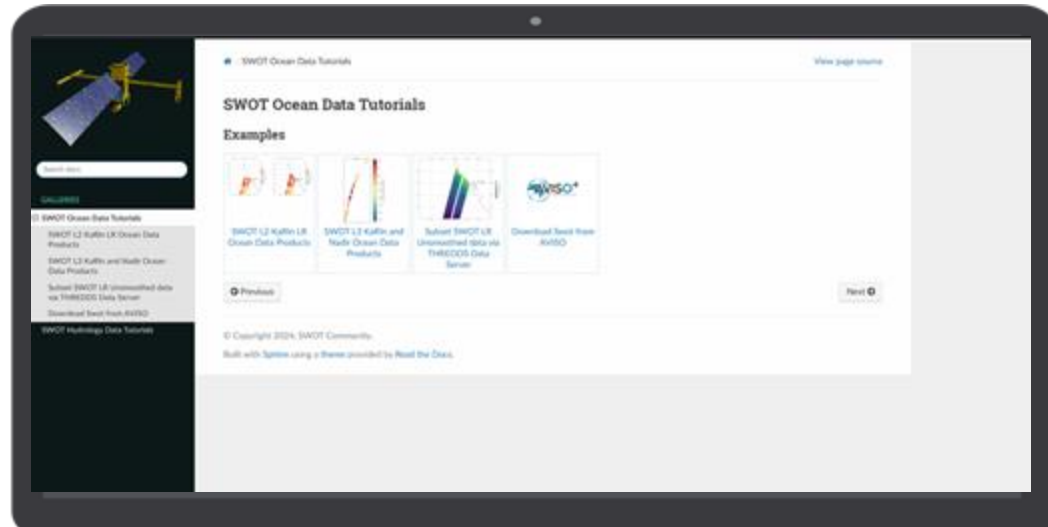
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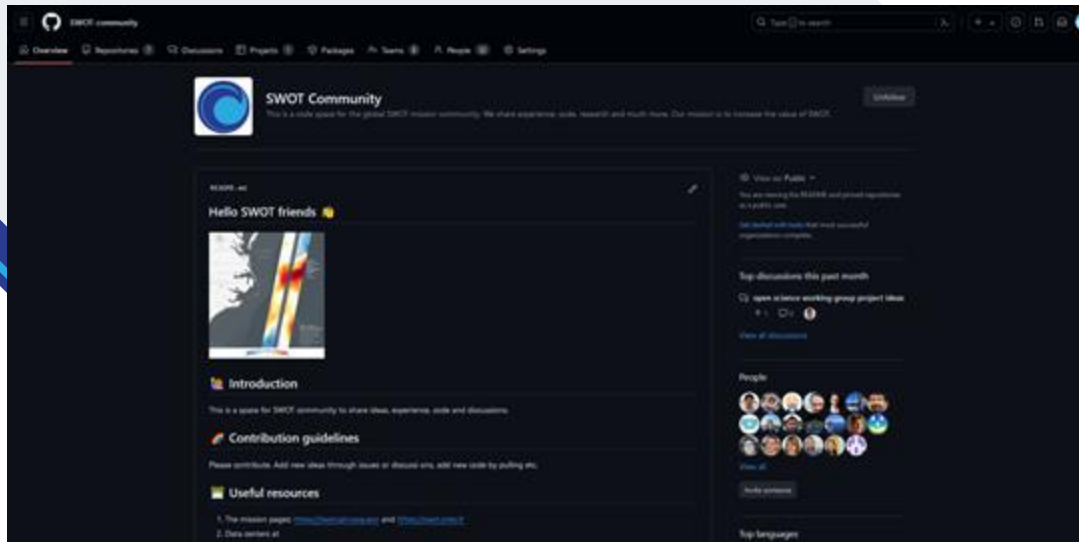
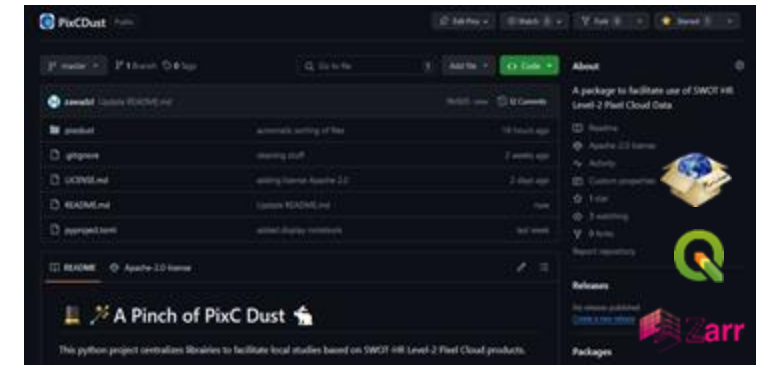
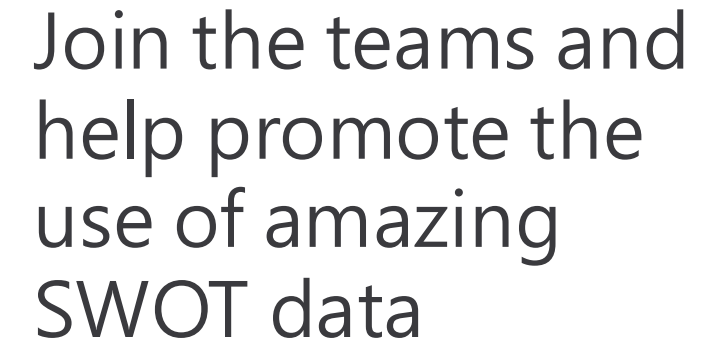


Use, Contribute, Ask for new tutorials



<https://swot-community.github.io/SWOT-galleries>





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A background image showing the SWOT satellite in orbit over the Earth's ocean. The satellite has a central body with two long, rectangular radar antennas extending outwards. The Earth's surface is covered in a detailed visualization of ocean topography, showing various depths and features. A bright sun is visible in the upper left corner, creating a lens flare effect.

Visualize & Explore SWOT Ocean Data (L3 KaRIn 2km)

ex_visu_basi... (2) - JupyterLab

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ex_visu_basic_karin_l3_2km.ip

Helpdesk SwotLR (DEV)

Visualise Swot L3 2-km

This notebook shows how to visualise Swot data using [Vador](#): a tool allowing to Visualize and Aggregate Data from Ocean and River

```
[ ]: import os
from datetime import datetime
from pprint import pprint

import geoviews.feature as gvf
import holoviews as hv
import numpy as np
import panel as pn
import panel.widgets

from ocean_tools.nadir.io import NetcdfFilesDatabaseNadir

from vador import Coast, Grid, Swath
from vador.plugins import ZcSwath

hv.extension("bokeh")

[ ]: SWOT_DATA = '/work/HELPDESK_SWOTLR/commun/data/swot/L3_LR_SSH/zcollections/V1.0.2_SCIENCE'
MSLA_DATA = '/work/HELPDESK_SWOTLR/commun/data/cmems/SEALEVEL_GLO_PHY_L4_NRT_008_046/'

Dates range for data selection, used all along the notebook

[ ]: t0 = np.datetime64("2024-06-15T00")
t1 = np.datetime64("2024-06-30T00")
```

Plot 2kms swath

Define a `vador.plugins.ZcSwath` object to directly visualize the zcollection with:

- the path to the folder containing the data
- the variables to display
- the time of interest
- the delta to apply : Number of day around reference time

```
[ ]: # Add a *.options* to customize the plot
swath_2km = ZcSwath(
    SWOT_DATA,
```

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A background image showing the SWOT satellite in orbit above the Earth's ocean surface. The satellite has a central body with two long, rectangular solar panel arrays extended outwards. The Earth's horizon is visible, with a bright sun or star in the upper left corner. The ocean surface is depicted with various shades of blue and white, representing different water depths and features like chlorophyll-a concentrations.

Visualize SWOT Ocean Data (L3 KaRIn 2km) with
Chlorophyll-a

ex_visu_kari... (2) - JupyterLab

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Visualise SWOT data with CMEMS Chlorophyl

This notebook shows how to overlay Swot data with CMEMS chlorophyl using [Vador](#): a tool allowing to Visualize and Aggregate Data from Ocean and River

```
[ ]: import cmocean
import dask_jobqueue
import holoviews as hv
import numpy as np
import panel as pn
import panel.widgets
from ocean_tools.io import NetcdfFilesDatabase
from ocean_tools.swath.io import FileNameParserCHL
from vador import Coast, Grid
from vador.plugins import ZcSwath

hv.extension("bokeh")

[ ]: SWOT_DATA = (
    "/work/HELPEDESK_SWOTLR/commun/data/swot/L3_LR_SSH/zcollections/V1.0.2_SCIENCE"
)
CHL_CMEMS_DATA = "/work/HELPEDESK_SWOTLR/commun/data/cmems/OCEANCOLOUR_GLO_BGC_L3_MY_009_103/cmems_obs-oc_glo_bgc-plankton_my_l3-multi-4km_P1D_202311/"

[ ]: period = (np.datetime64("2024-06-05"), np.datetime64("2024-06-08"))
kw_area = dict(x_range=(-40, 4), y_range=(30, 60))



## Select and open chlorophyl data



```
[]: cluster = dask_jobqueue.SLURMCluster(
 cores=1, memory="8GiB", account="swotce_guest", walltime="00:15:00"
)

cluster.adapt(minimum_jobs=1, maximum_jobs=15)
cluster.get_client()

[]: db = NetcdfFilesDatabase(path=CHL_CMEMS_DATA, parser=FileNameParserCHL())

chl_ds = db.query(time=period, selected_variables=["CHL", "time", "lon", "lat"])

chl_ds = chl_ds.where(
 (
 (chl_ds.lon > kw_area["x_range"][0])
 & (chl_ds.lon < kw_area["x_range"][1])
 & (chl_ds.lat > kw_area["y_range"][0])
)
```



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Colocate SWOT & Sentinel-1 data

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Code

Co-locate SWOT with Sentinel 1 data

This notebook shows how to use `ocean_tools` to retrieve swath geometries and use it to co-locate SWOT data with Sentinel 1 data. We access Sentinel data via PEPS using [Eodag](#), and we use [Vador](#) for visualisation.

```
[ ]: from ocean_tools.swath.geometry import (
    LongitudeConvention,
    normalize_polygon,
    query_polygons,
)
import numpy as np

from eodag import EODataAccessGateway

import holoviews as hv
import vador

hv.extension("bokeh")
```

```
[ ]: dag = EODataAccessGateway()
dag.set_preferred_provider("peps")
```

Define the orbit phase. Possibilities are:

- **science**
- **calval**

```
[ ]: phase = "science"

...
```

Colocalise Swot orbit with Sentinel 1

Get half orbit geometry

Note

KaRIn geometries for all half orbits for both orbit phases have been pre-calculated and are stored in geojson files located in ``work/HELPDESK_SWOTLR/commun/data/swot/KaRIn_geometries/``

```
[ ]: half_orbits = 281
```

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Investigate SWOT Ocean Data Quality Flags

ex_visualize... (2) - JupyterLab

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Investigate missing or bad data

This notebook shows how to visualise the L3 data quality `duacs_editing_flag` flags values using `Vador`, and the `ssha_karin_2_qual` flags values when hovering the plot.

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```
import swot_calval.io
from vador import Coast, Swath

from bokeh.models import CategoricalColorMapper, ColorBar, HoverTool, CustomJSHover
import holoviews as hv
from pprint import pprint

hv.extension("bokeh")
```

Select data

[]:

```
COLLECTION = "/work/HELPDESK_SWOTLR/commun/data/swot/L3_LR_SSH/zcollections/V1.0.2_SCIENCE"
collection = swot_calval.io.open_collection(COLLECTION)

zds = collection.query(
    cycle_numbers=17,
    pass_numbers=320,
    selected_variables=[
        "time",
        "longitude",
        "latitude",
        "duacs_ssh_karin_2",
        "duacs_ssh_karin_2_calibrated",
        "duacs_editing_flag",
        "ssha_karin_2_qual",
    ],
)

[ ]: 

```
ds_karin = zds.to_xarray()
ds_karin.load()
ds_karin
```


```

[]:

```
# Mediterranean sea
kw_area = dict(x_range=(-2, 10), y_range=(36, 43))
```

DUACS editing flag

The quality flag `duacs_editing_flag` is deduced from L3 DUACS processing. This is a boolean mask using some of the L3 flags plus additional criteria to state if the data is good or bad.

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SWOT Ocean Products & Data Usage Perspectives

- **New L3 KaRIn version releases**
 - Flag editing and tide correction updates (v1.0.2, sep 2024)
 - Improved calibration procedure, SSHA over eclipse events, SSHA in ice-leads (L3 250m) (v2.0, nov 2024)
- **Data usage support**
 - Internal tides, waves use case (ongoing)
 - Use cases for coastal and polar applications
 - Webinar sessions in 2025 (Q/A, specific application-oriented tutorials, tools, etc.)

SWOT OCEAN DATA ACCESS & SERVICES IN A NUTSHELL

DATA ACCESS

- SWOT ocean data (L2, L3 & L4 products)
- Easy access to other data sets
- Catalog requests & download tools...

DOCUMENTATION

- Dedicated use case examples
- User guides, FAQ,...

ENVIRONMENT

- Research-orientated Python libraries
- SWOT-dedicated toolbox (community-driven GitHub)
- Free hosting of SWOT Projects on CNES HPC

USER SUPPORTS

- SWOT data training
- Help for code optimization
- Helpdesk...



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