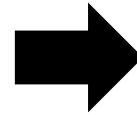


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# Acknowledgment of Country



- **Bedegal people**
- sovereignty has never been ceded
- climate justice for First Nations people

# Processes and dynamics of global to regional ocean heat uptake and variability

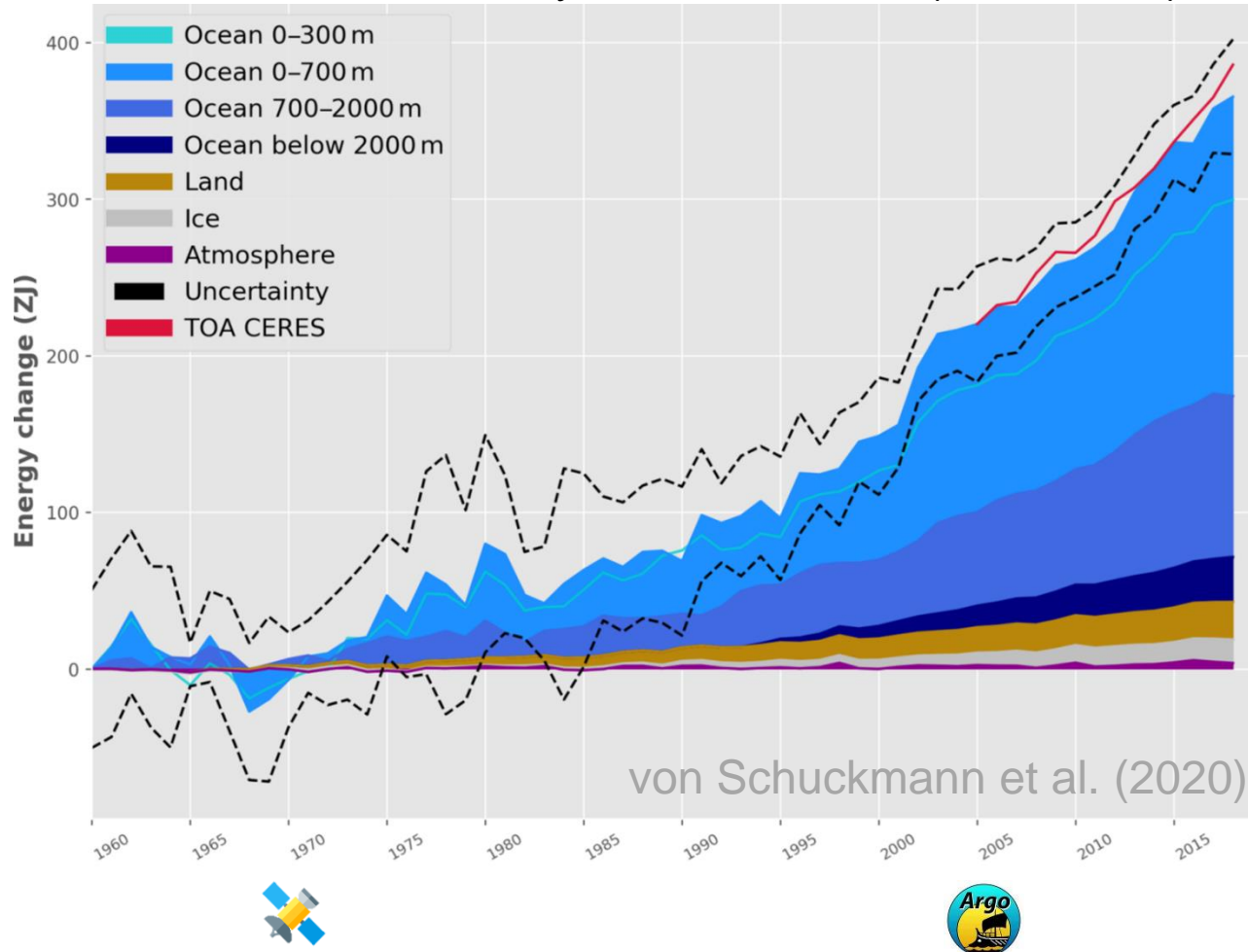
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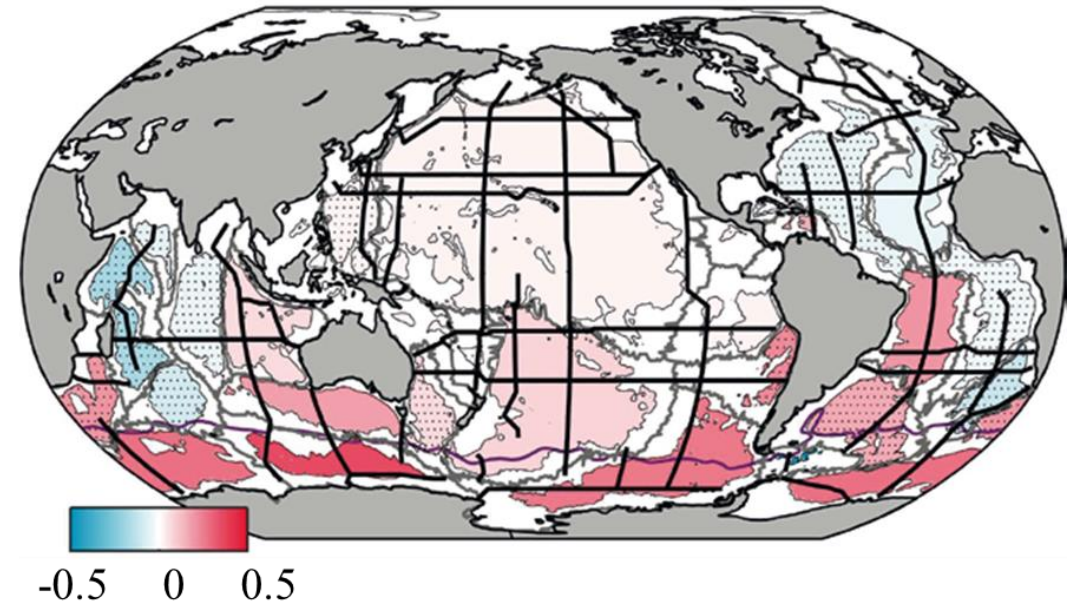
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# Importance of ocean heat content

Earth heat inventory relative to 1960 ( $ZJ = 10^{21} J$ )



Warming rate ( $^{\circ}C \text{ century}^{-1}$ ) below 4000 m

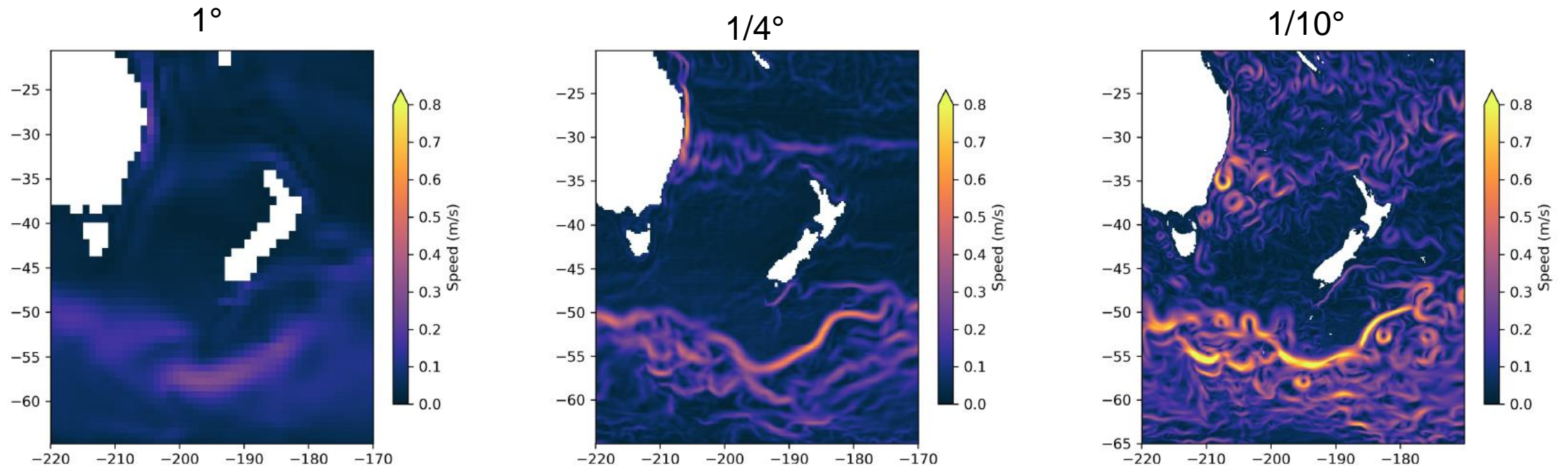


IPCC SROCC, Ch. 5, Fig. 5.4b, Allison et al. (2019)

- Where has heat entered the ocean?
- Where is it today?
- What are the roles of wind and thermal forcing?

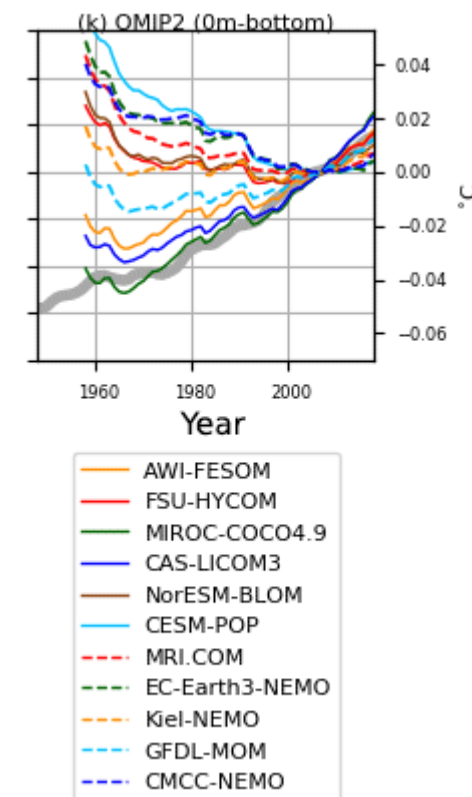
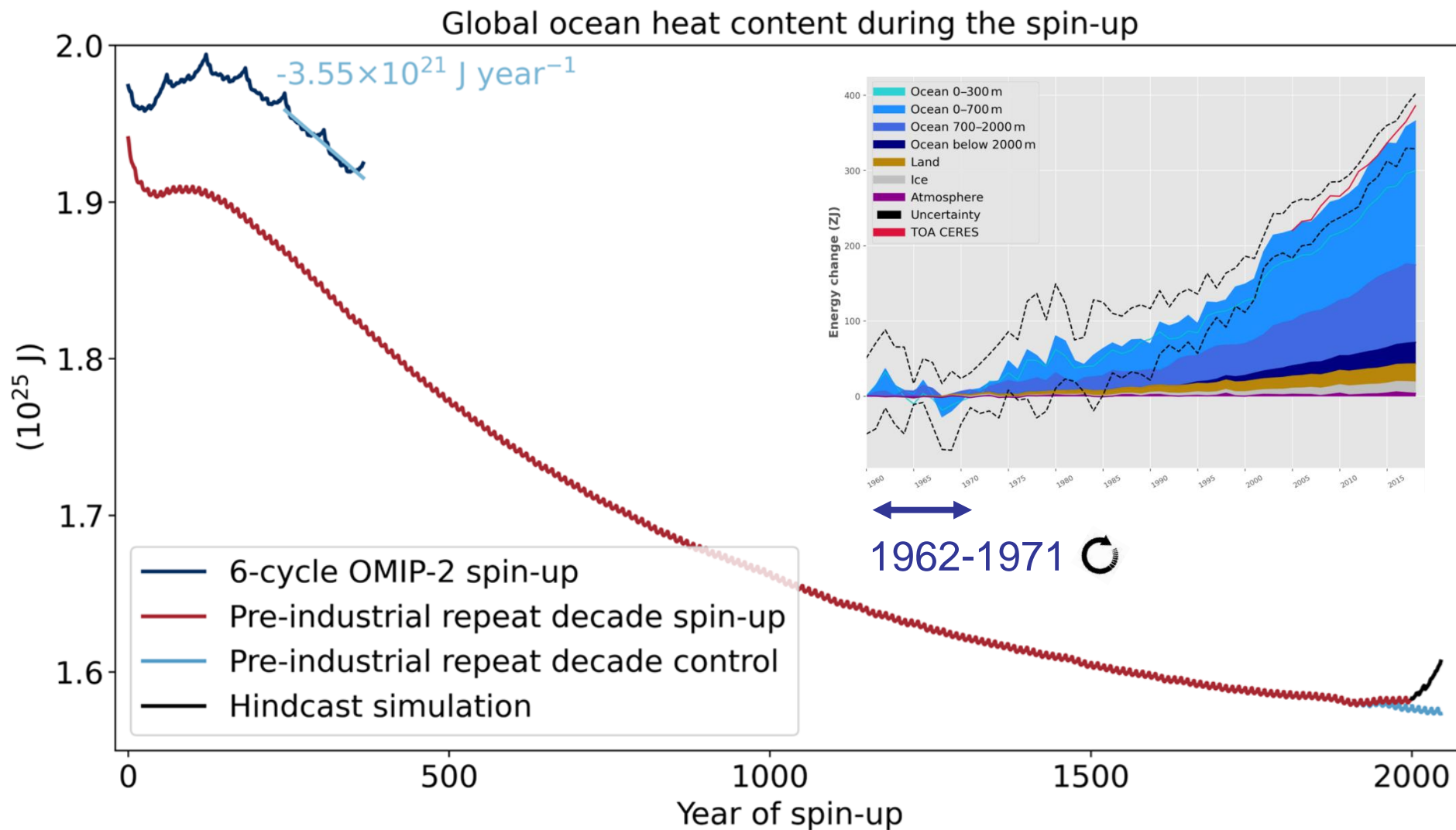
# Global ocean-sea ice model

- ACCESS-OM2 ([Kiss et al., 2019](#))
- MOM5.1, CICE5.1.2
- Input: atmospheric reanalysis JRA55-do ([Tsujino et al., 2018](#))



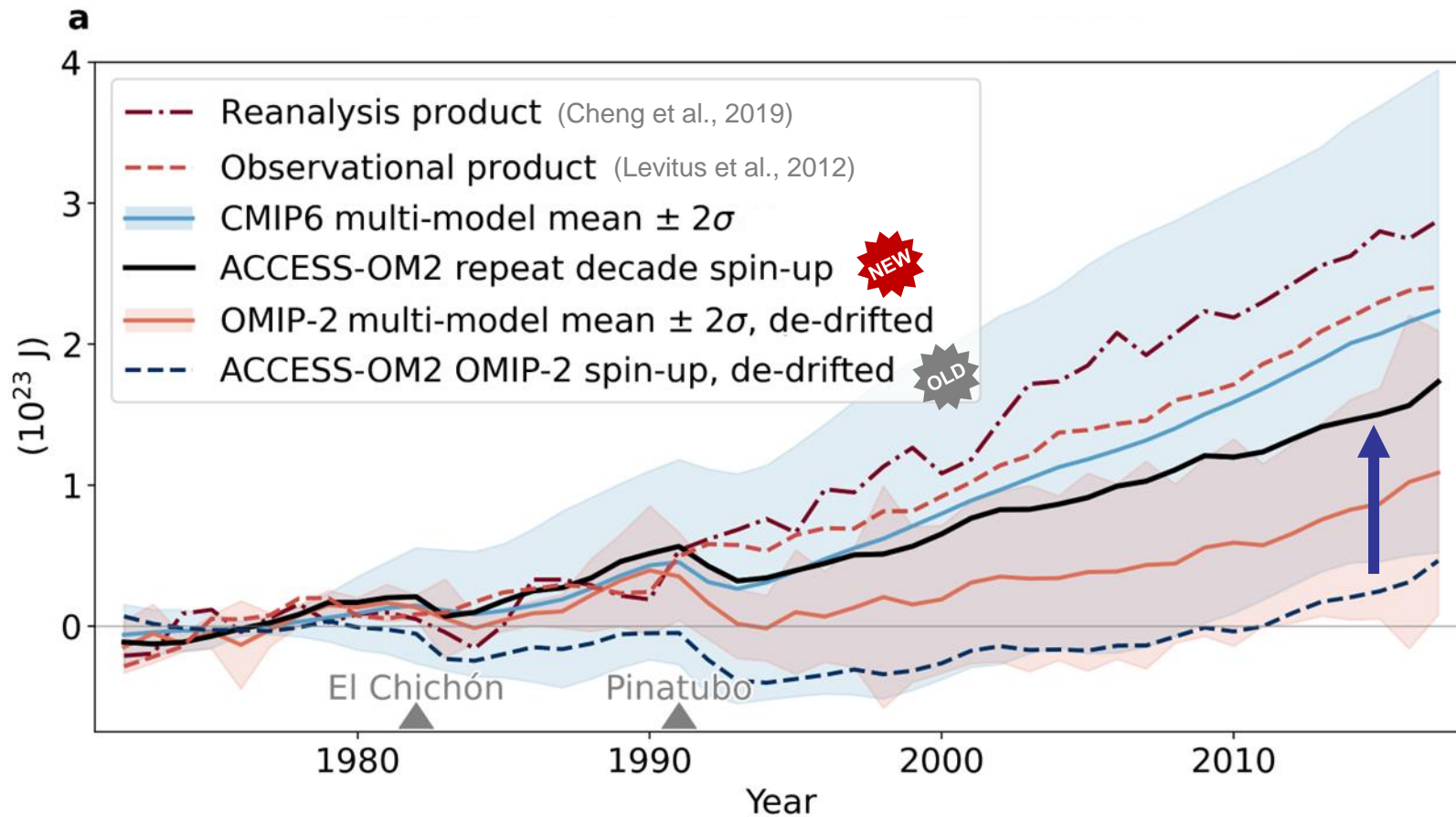
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# New spin-up for ocean-sea ice models

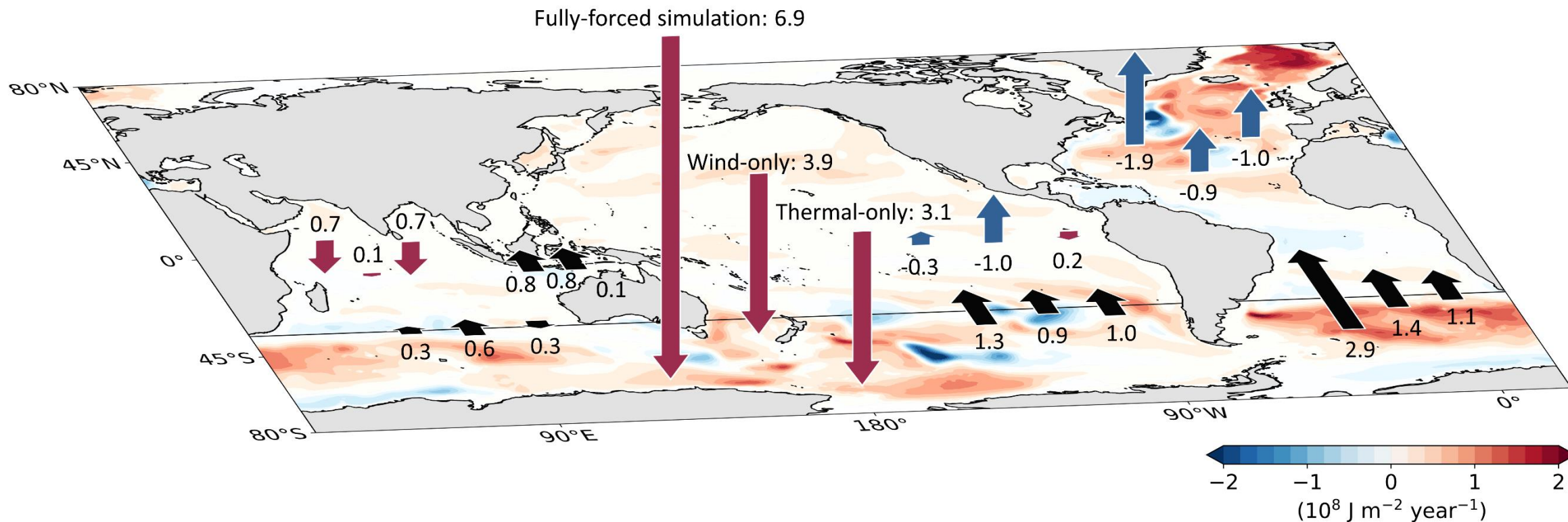


Tsujino et al. (2020)

# Global ocean heat content anomalies, 0-2000 m



# Schematic



→  $10^{21} \text{ J year}^{-1}$

→ Heat uptake

→ Heat loss

→ Heat transport

  $10^{19} \text{ Snickers year}^{-1}$



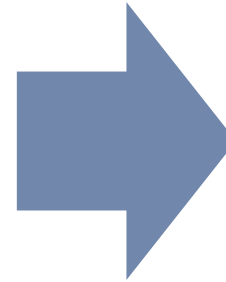
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rm -rf *
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- deleted 12 TB of data
- everything from every project

It's such a horrible feeling when you realise what you've done - but **it's so common!** In addition to deleting a control run during my PhD, I also incorrectly ran an ensemble of runs last year. Luckily ESM1.5 is (relatively) cheap and fast to re-run... but **I felt ridiculous and like a modelling imposter who has no idea what they're doing.** I messaged a friend (who's much better at running models than me!) and she was like "oh, don't worry, once I did something similar and ran a whole simulation with X set as -1 instead of 1" and I felt so much better! Hearing these stories make it so much more bearable I think!

Great to hear that you have got things going already and that your results are reproducible. I hope the run completes easily.



Menu THE CONVERSATION 



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## The Southern Ocean absorbs more heat than any other ocean on Earth, and the impacts will be felt for generations

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# Processes and dynamics of global to regional ocean heat uptake and variability

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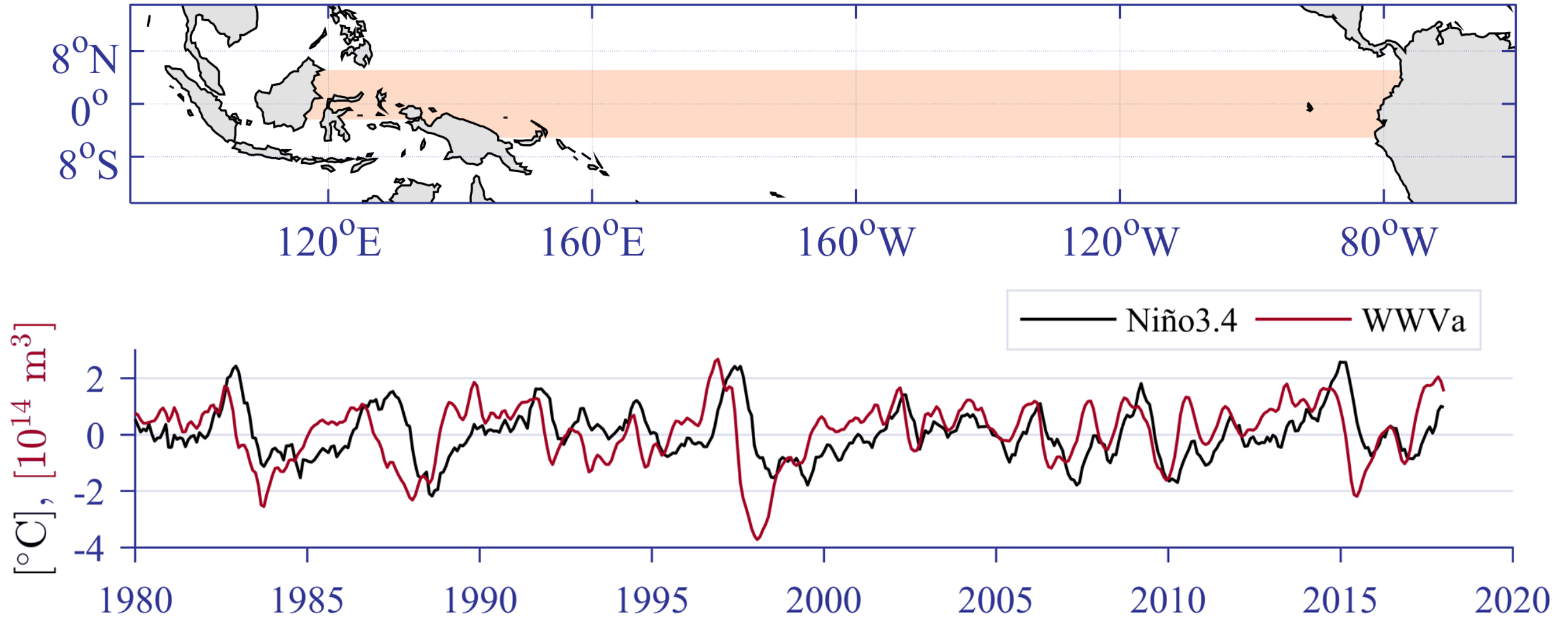


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# Motivation



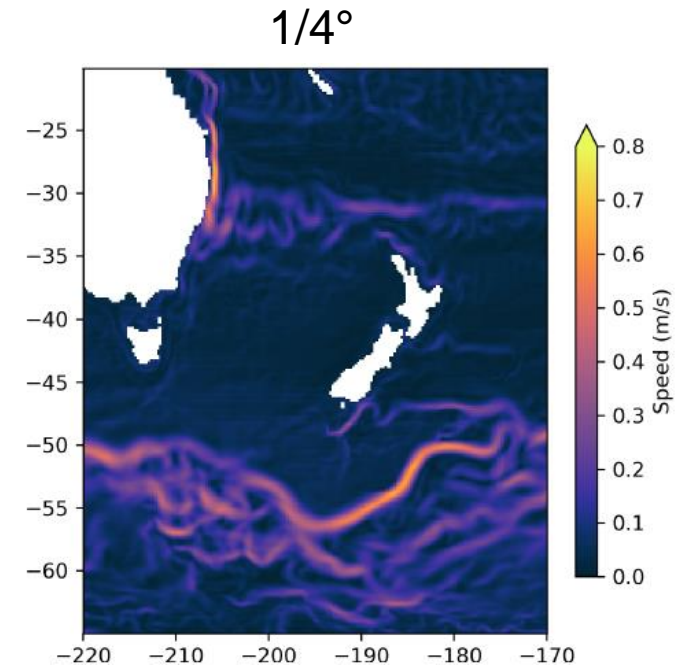
Reynolds et al. (2007); Meinen & McPhaden (2000)

# Goals

1. Revisit warm water volume budget using online calculated fluxes
2. Simulate ENSO variability over 1979-2016
3. Examine extreme El Niño & La Niña events and asymmetries

# More ocean-sea ice modelling!

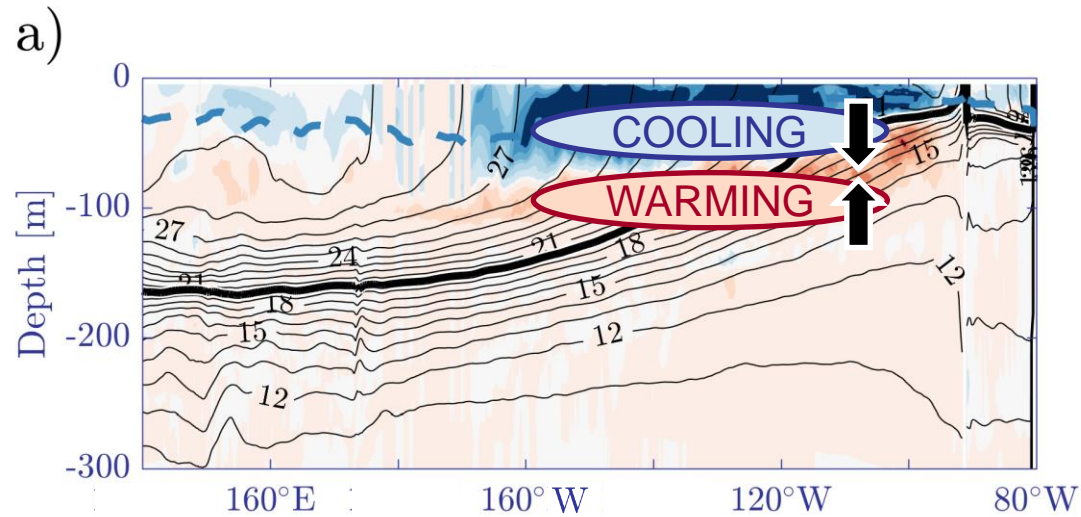
1/4° ACCESS-OM2 with 50 z\* levels



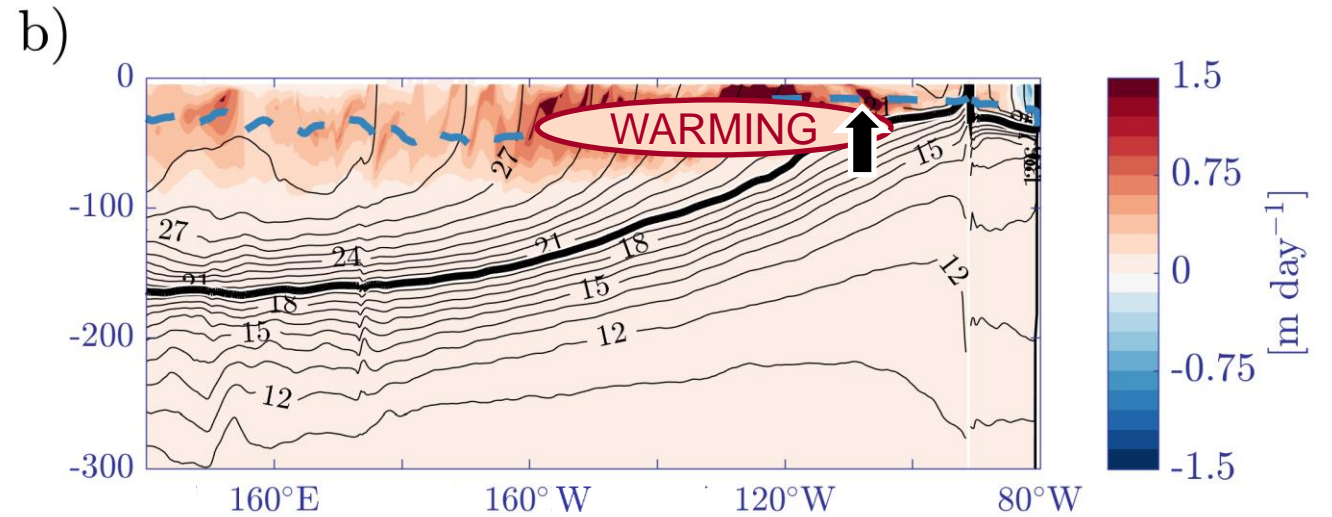
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# The diabatic volume fluxes: September-November

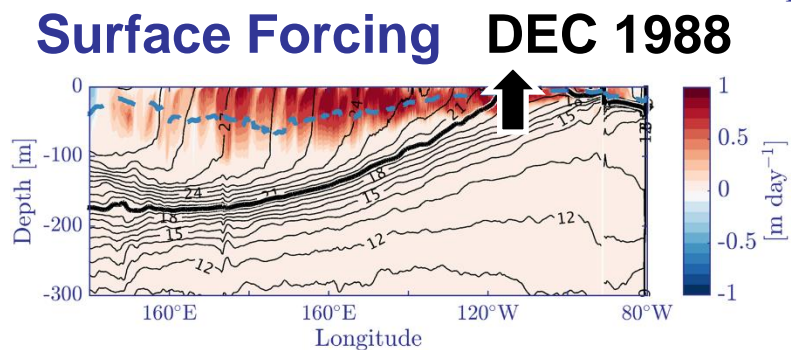
## Vertical Mixing



## Surface Forcing



# Summary figure



## a) El Niño

ideal. El Niño

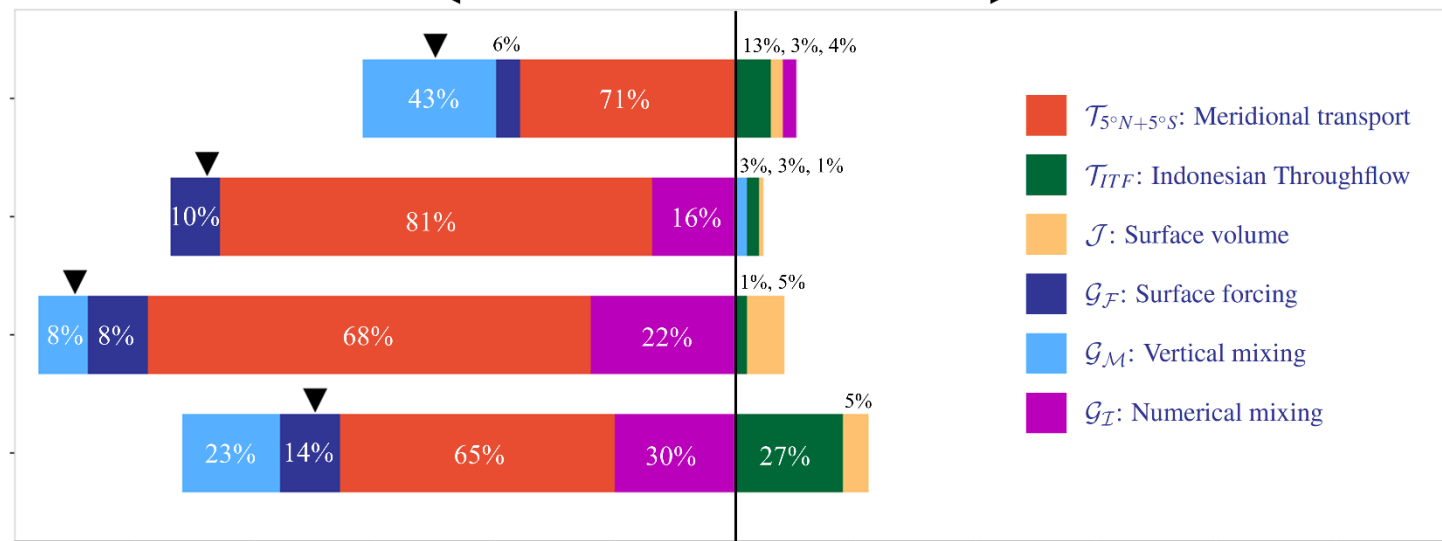
1982/83

1997/98

2015/16

Discharge

Recharge



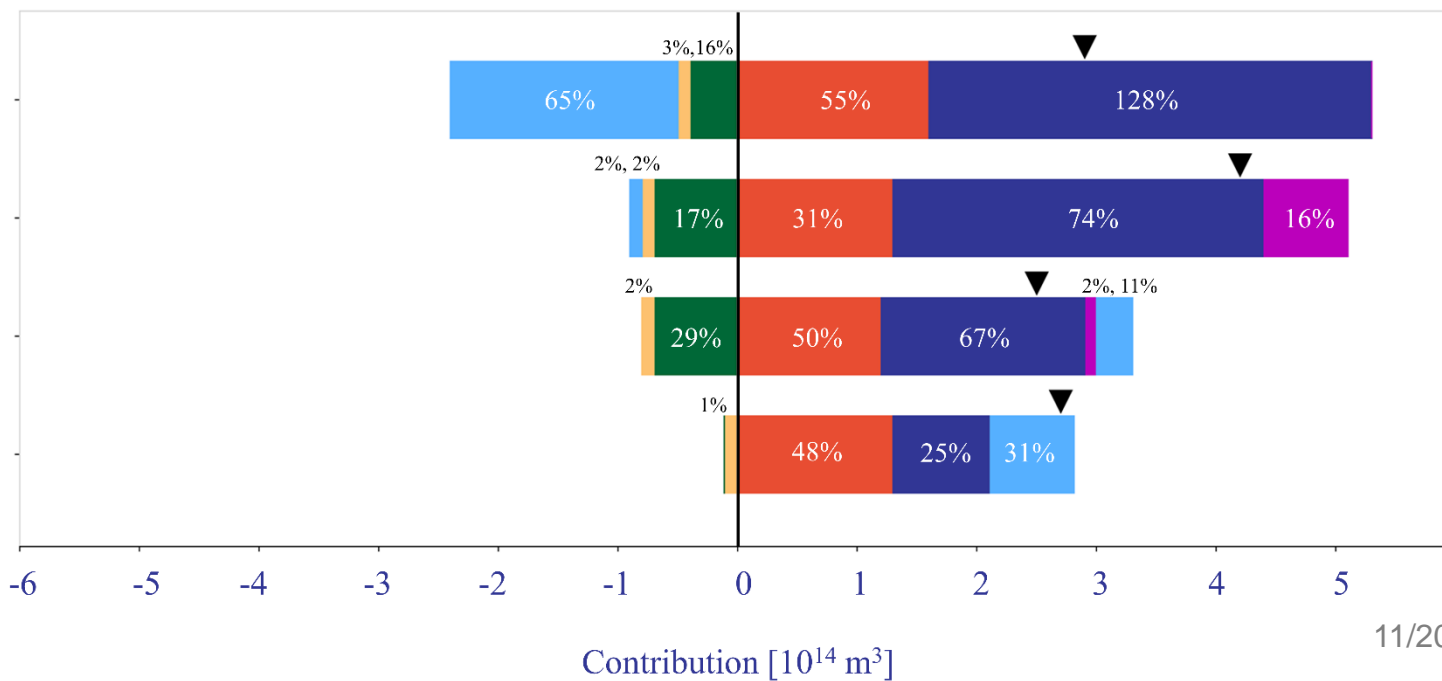
## b) La Niña

ideal. La Niña

1988/89

2007/09

2010/11



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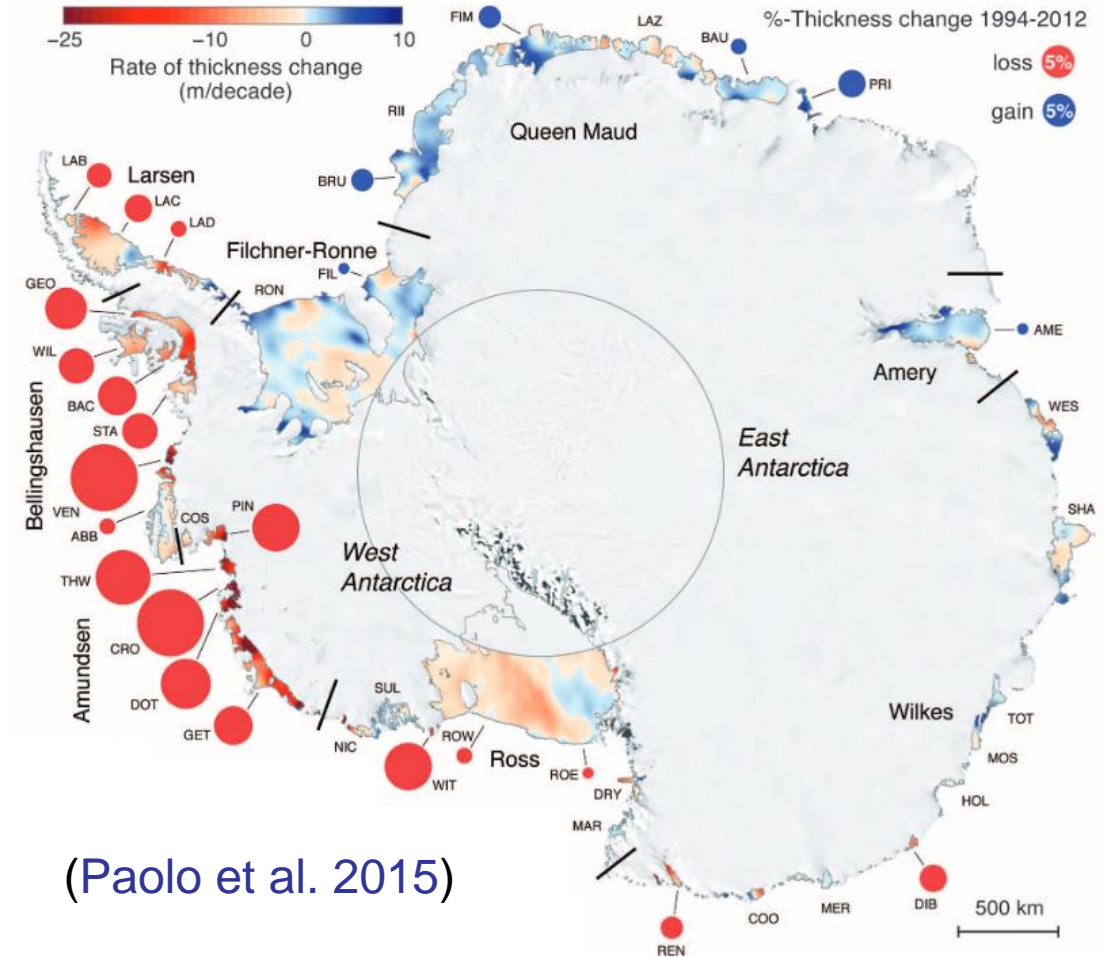


**Subsurface warming of the West Antarctic continental shelf linked to El Niño-Southern Oscillation. *Geophysical Research Letters*.**



# Background

- Volume loss from Antarctic ice shelves is accelerating ([Paolo et al. 2015](#))
- Ice loss influenced by internal climate variability and anthropogenic forcing ([Holland et al. 2019](#))
- El Niño: ↑height but ↓mass of West Antarctic ice shelves ([Paolo et al. 2018](#))

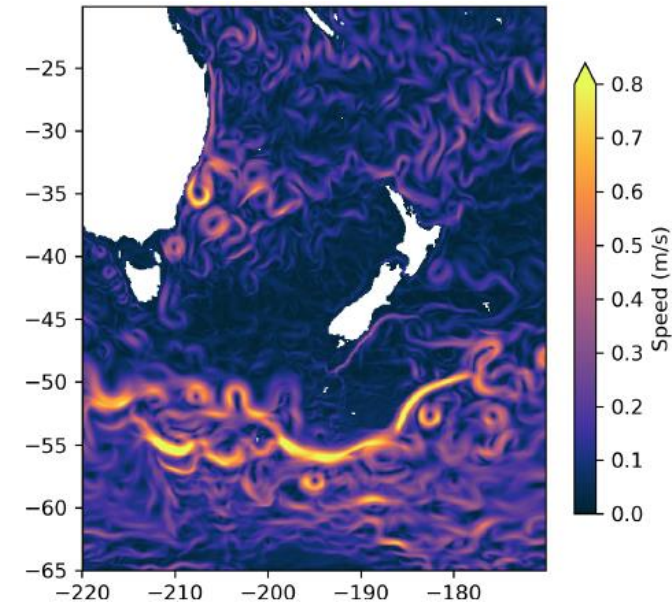


## The questions

- How do El Niño & La Niña impact the West Antarctic shelf circulation?
- What processes are responsible for warming and cooling on the shelf?

## The method

1/10° configuration of ACCESS-OM2



Kiss et al. (2019)

- Repeat-year forcing spin-up
- ENSO anomalies on top

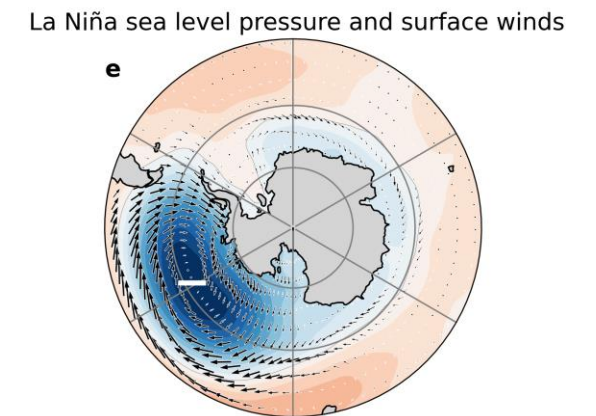
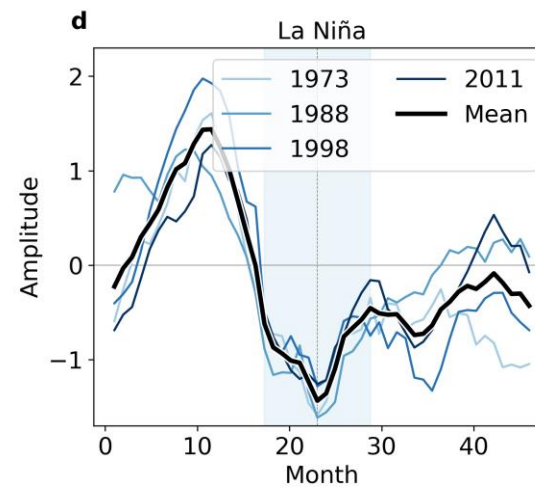
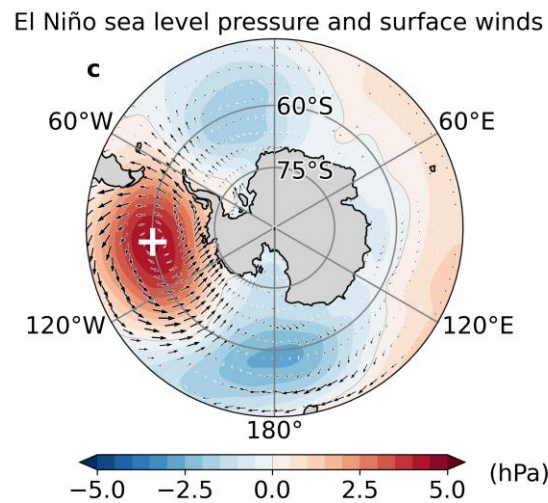
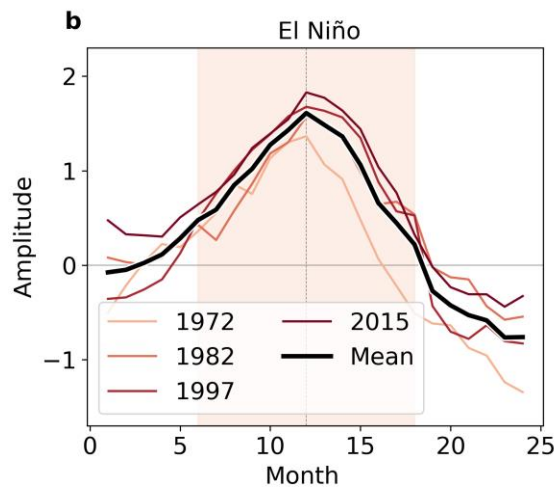
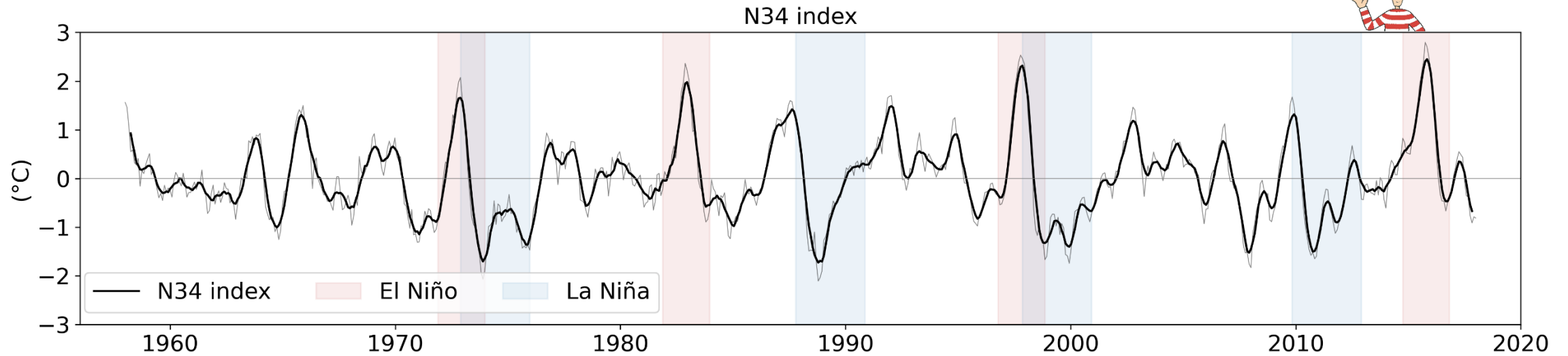
# Forcing for the idealised simulations

Repeat-year forcing  $[t, x, y]$

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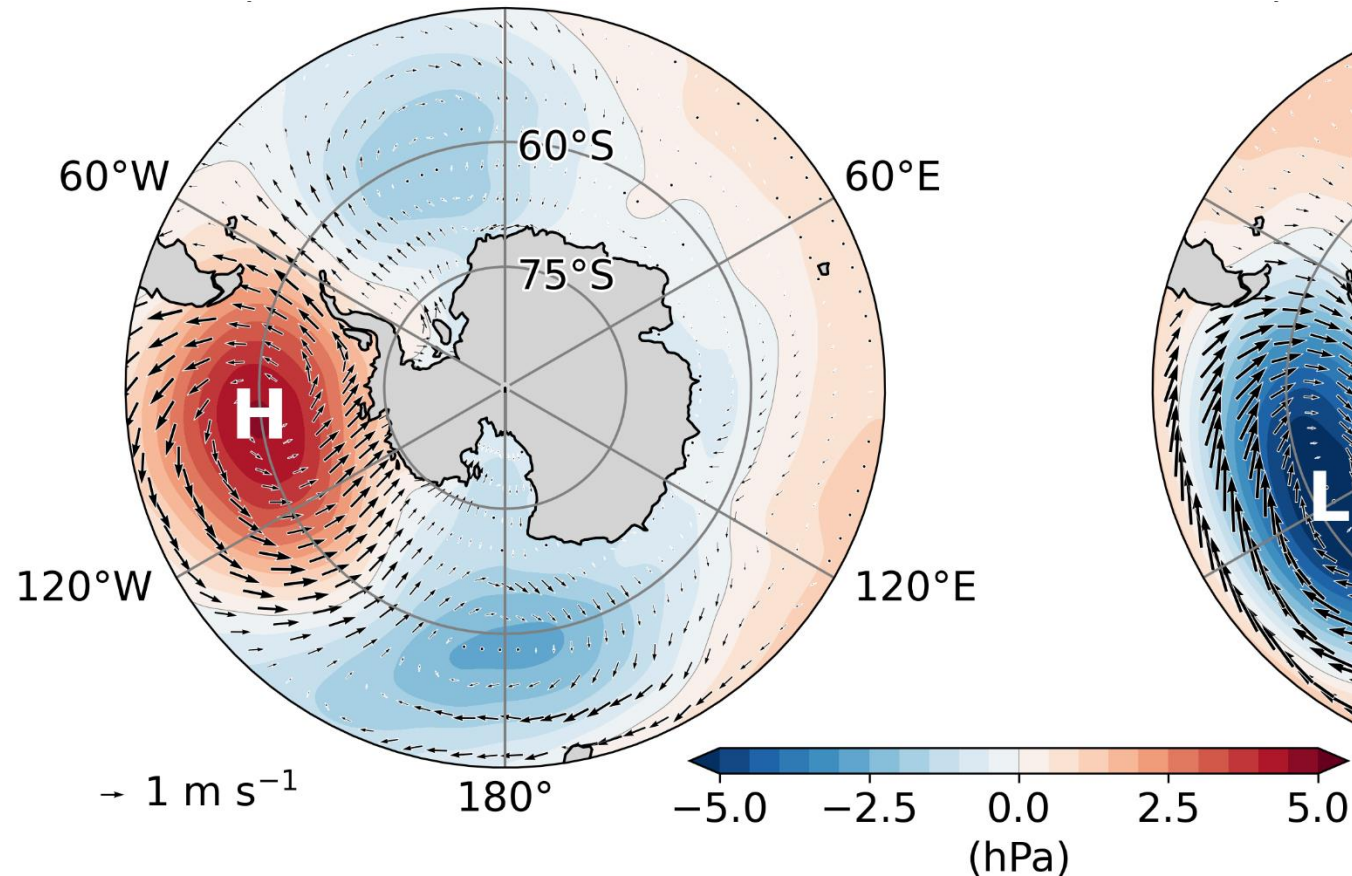
ENSO anomalies (time series  $[t]$   $\times$  spatial pattern  $[x,y]$ )

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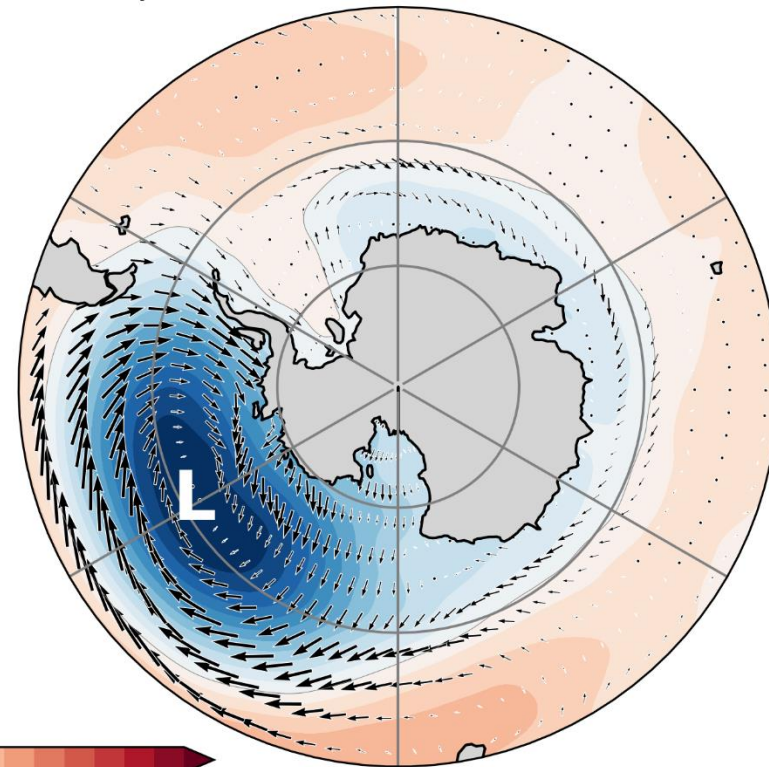


# Forcing for the idealised simulations

El Niño sea level pressure and surface winds



La Niña



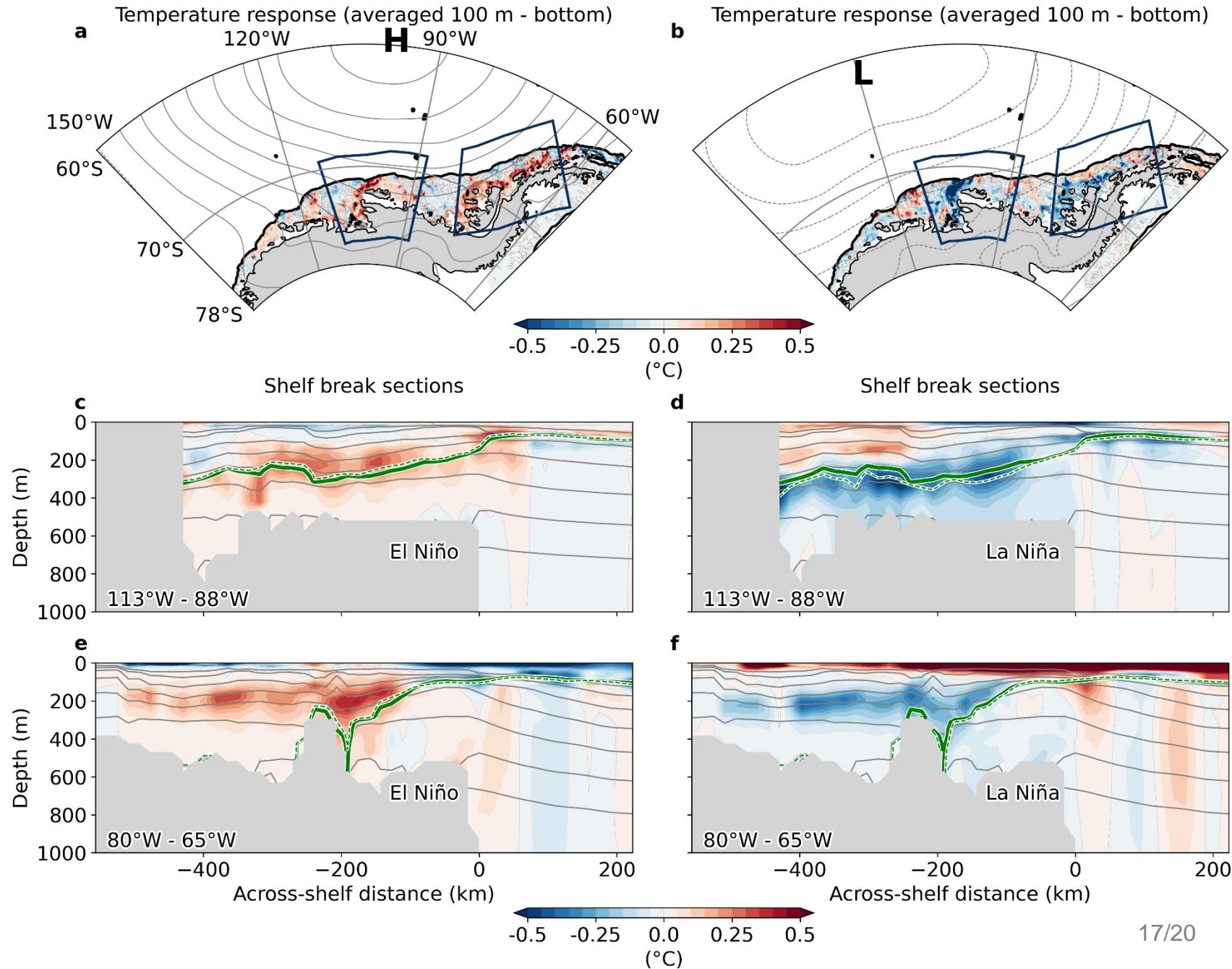
# Shelf response to ENSO forcing

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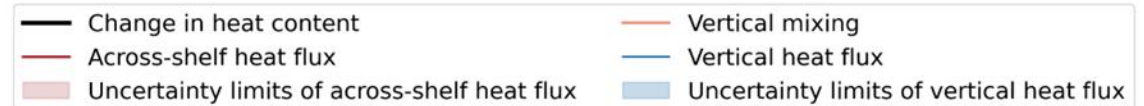
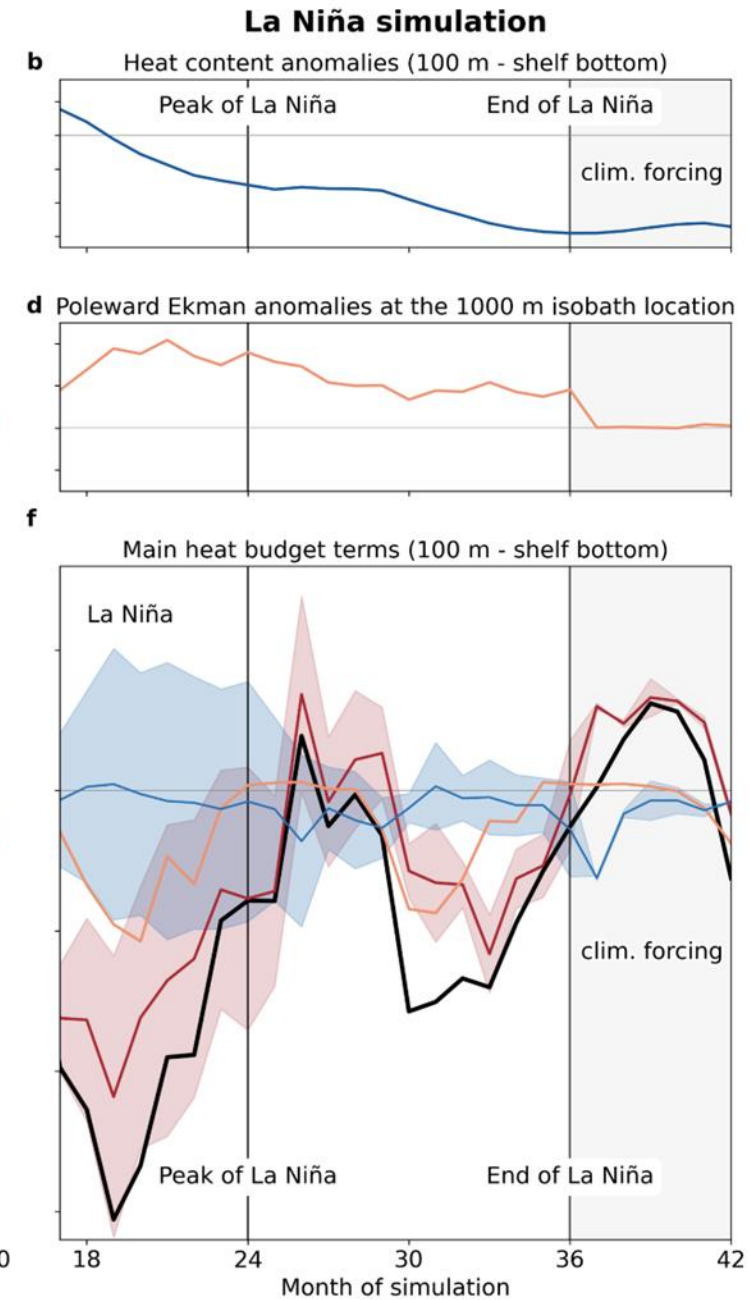
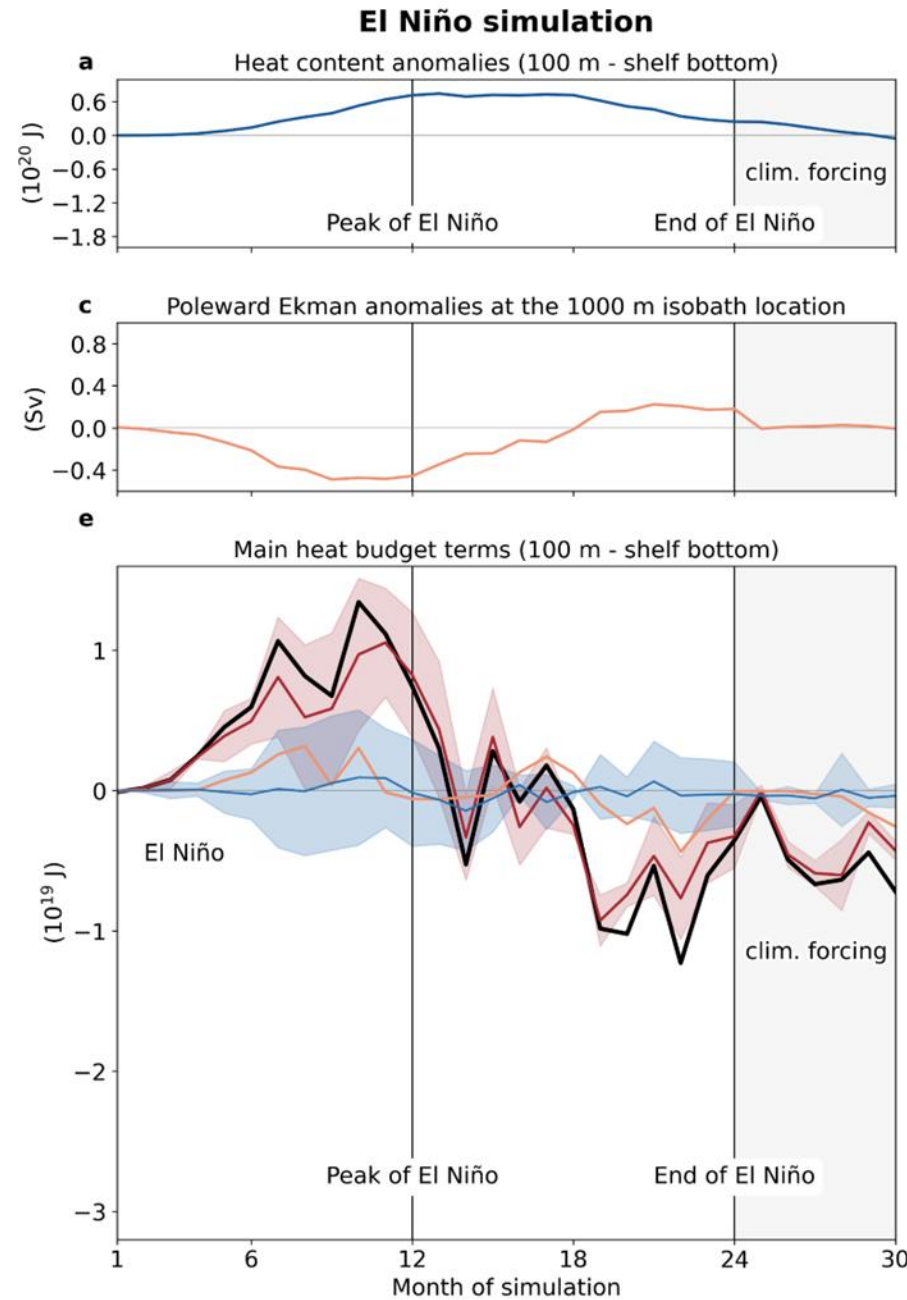
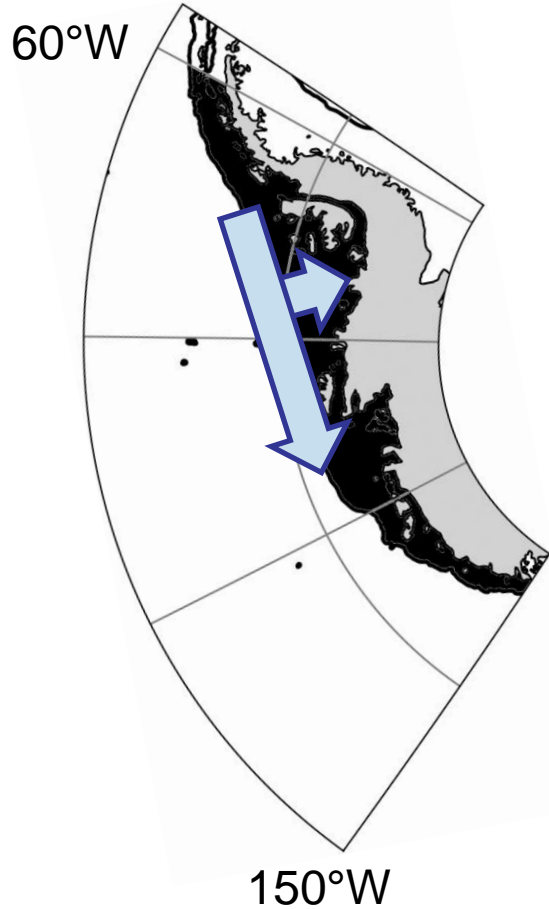
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## El Niño simulation

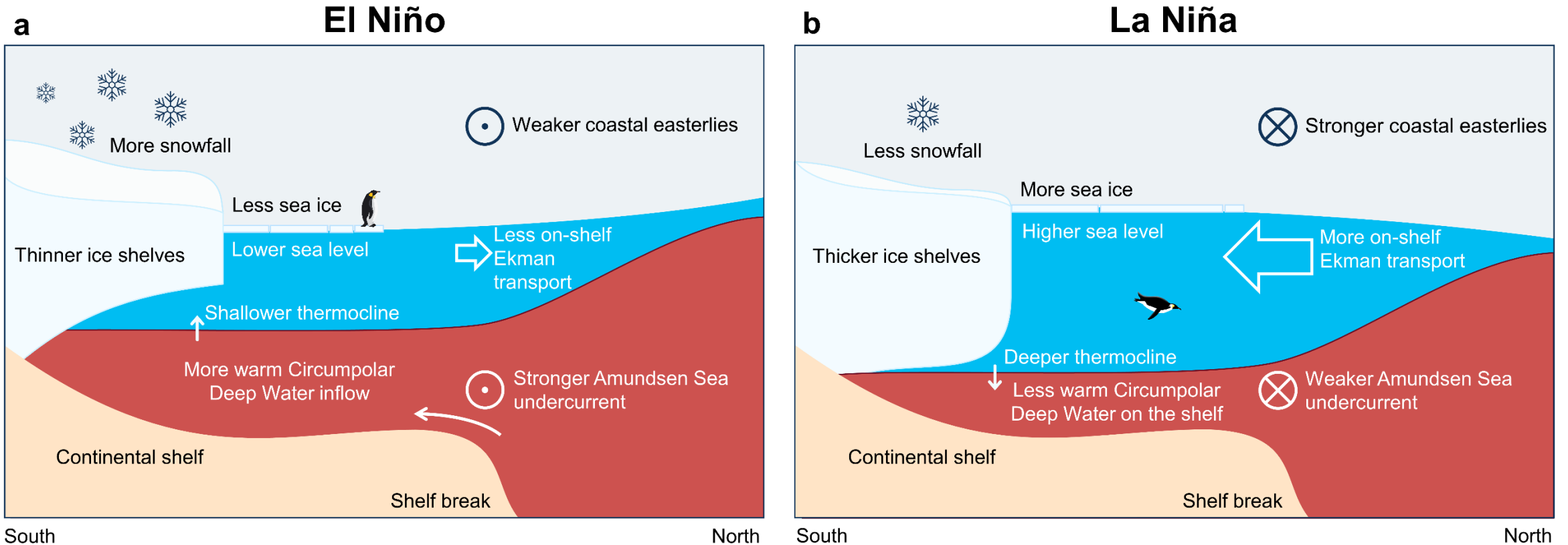
## La Niña simulation



# The subsurface heat budget



# Schematic



- *bottom Ekman response*
- *baroclinic adjustment*
- *Amundsen Sea undercurrent*
- *eddies*

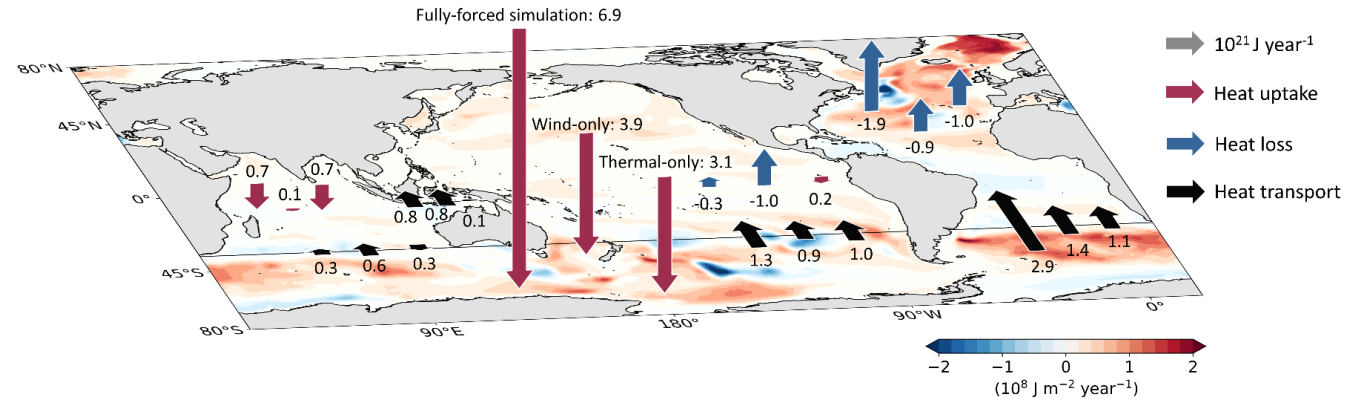


# A journey through my PhD chapters

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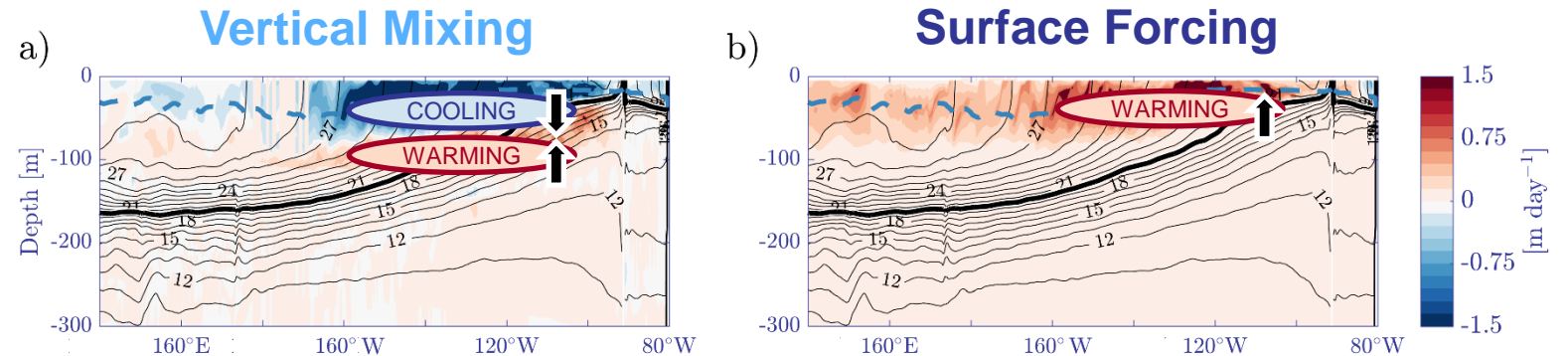
(Huguenin et al. 2022)



II

## Key role of surface forcing and vertical mixing in changing warm water volume during ENSO

(Huguenin et al. 2020b)



III

## Subsurface warming of West Antarctic coastal waters linked to El Niño events

(Huguenin et al., 2024)

