# Regional Ocean State Estimation and Prediction Experiments

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## Using ECCO machinery for Regional Ocean State Estimation

#### Science goals

Testing consistency with ocean dynamics and data at mesoscale/submesoscale and smaller scales

Regional ocean state estimates allow us to study ocean-atmosphere-wave processes at finer spatial/temporal scales

Understanding the feedback of regional ocean circulation on global circulation and climate system

Adjusting assimilation window to allow fitting mesoscale/submesoscale eddies

#### Applications

- Analyze 3D eddy structure, heat/salt transports (WPOSE)
- Estimate heat fluxes, energy budgets (CCS)
- Loop Current analysis/prediction, adaptive sampling (GoM)
- Acoustic data assimilation (WPOSE)
- Southern Ocean Carbon Cycle and many others...

# **Regional Ocean State Estimations**



### **Modeling Gulf stream**

#### MITgcm Gulf Stream Domain

Lon: 278 – 302 Lat: 30 - 42 50 levels 1/12<sup>th</sup> degree resolution

Black dots: Argo profiles for 2020 White box: NESMA experiment region

Forward model initialized from HYCOM/NCODA, forced using ERA5 reanalysis, and HYCOM/NCODA boundary conditions

Assimilation and Forecast experiments for 15, 30, ... days

Assimilate SSH, SST, and Argo T/S data





Observations: Shading shows mean SST over Jan 1-15, 2018. Satellite along track SSH data binned to model grid are shown for 15 days. Argo profile locations for 15 days are shown by blue filled circles. Hindcast SSH comparison for day 1





Hindcast SSH comparison for day 15





Hindcast SSH movie



# SSH RMS Difference with AVISO for hindcast and forecast periods averaged over the model domain, masking depths < 500 m





Slide from Anna-Lena Deppenmeier (NCAR)

# EquatorMix Remix: Assimilation of a Process Study Campaign for Estimating Pacific Upwelling and Mixing Physics (PUMP)

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The **EquatorMix** process study occurred Oct 6 to Nov 3, 2012 while a tropical instability wave past through.

**Observations:** Fast-CTD, Doppler Sonar Systems, Extended meteorological sensors including UAVs

**Goal:** combine EquatorMix obs with our assimilating model infrastructure to gain understanding of:

- the processes important for PUMP
- how to model these processes
- how well these processes are constrained by the current broadscale observing system
- what analysis infrastructure can support PUMP
- how various obs platforms fit into PUMP campaign 10's

State estimates produced are available for analysis







Workplan: assimilate these data in both a 1/6 large domain TPOSE, and in a nested 1/24 domain.



#### Can we reproduce the evolving T, S, and flux observations from EquatorMix?



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