

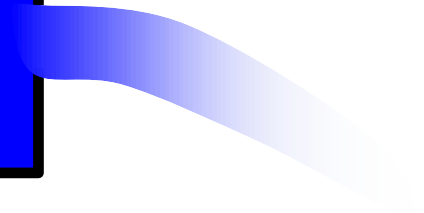
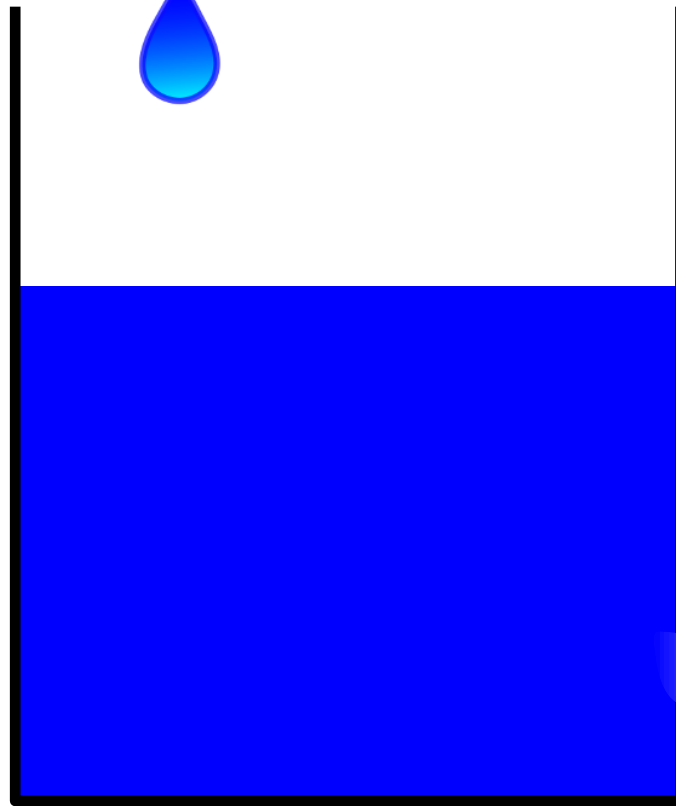
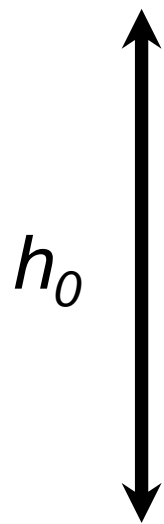
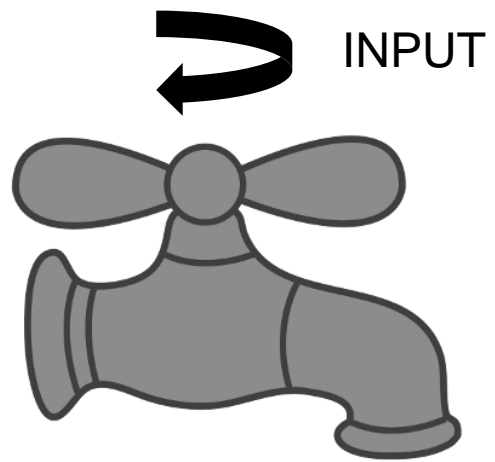
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Calibration of sea ice dynamic parameters

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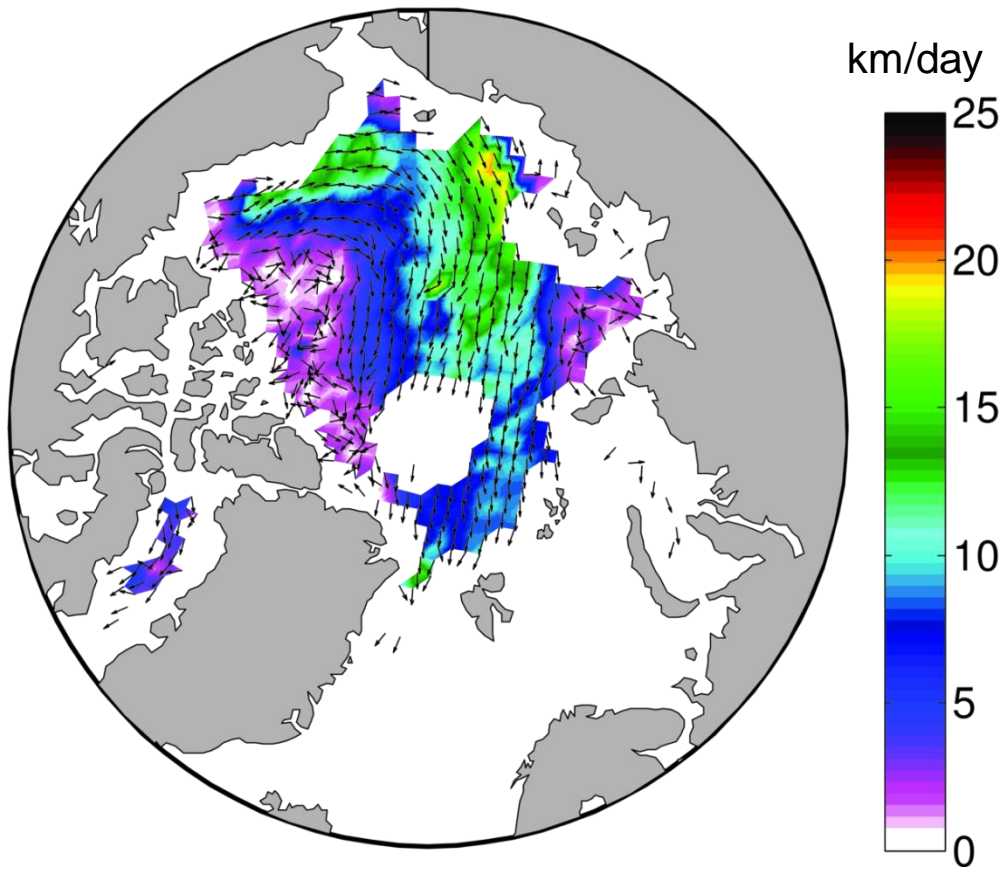


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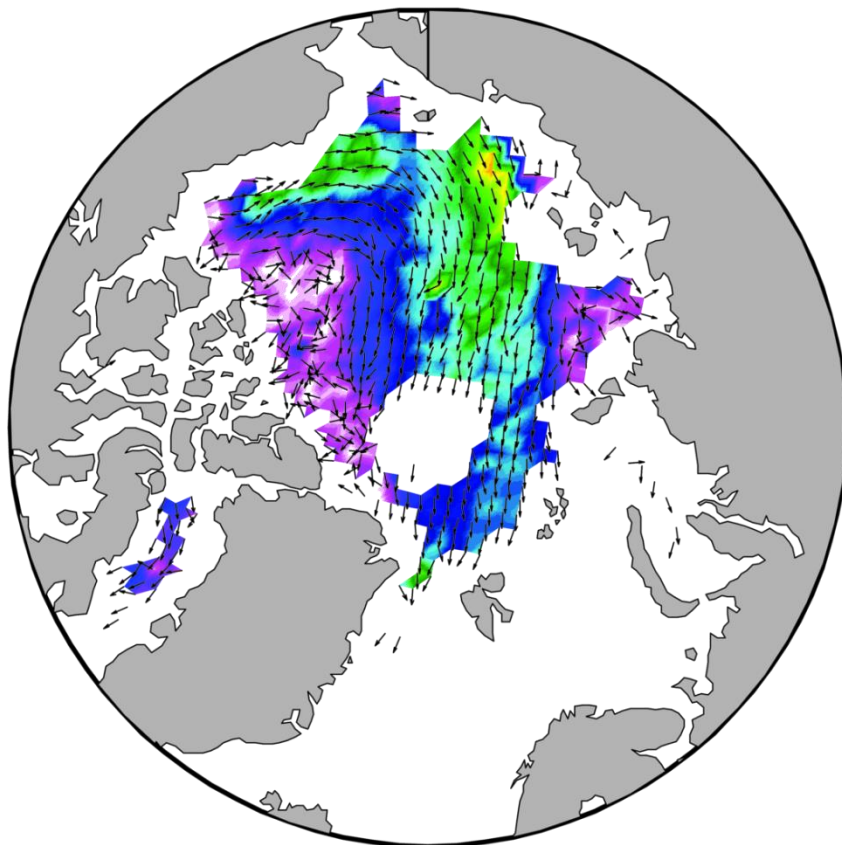
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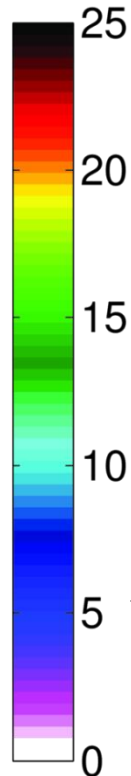
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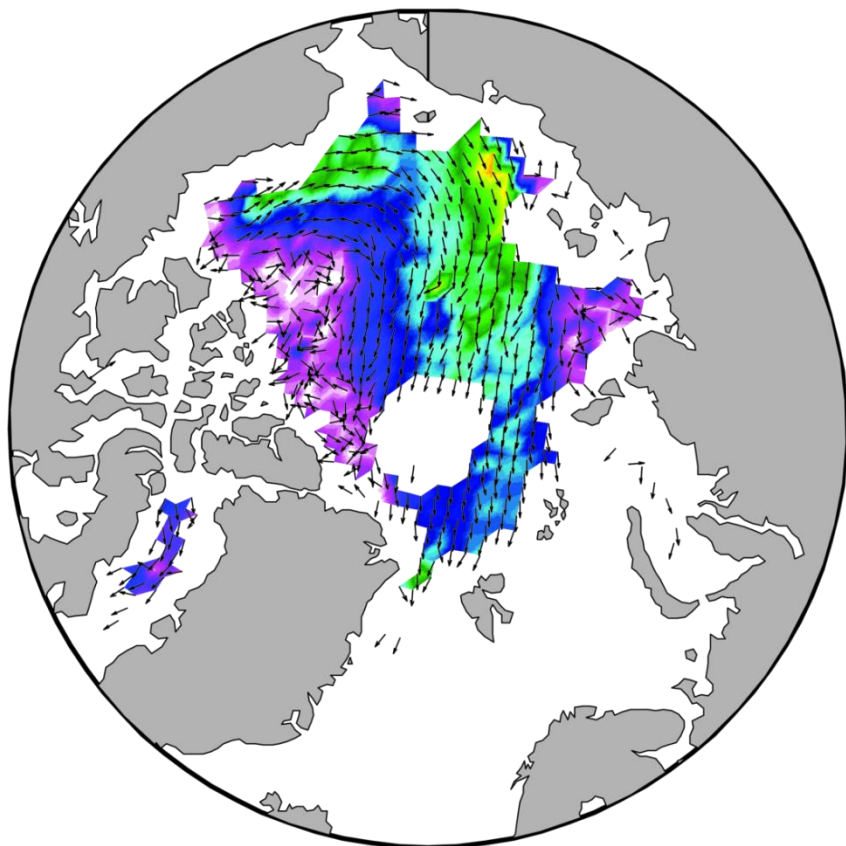
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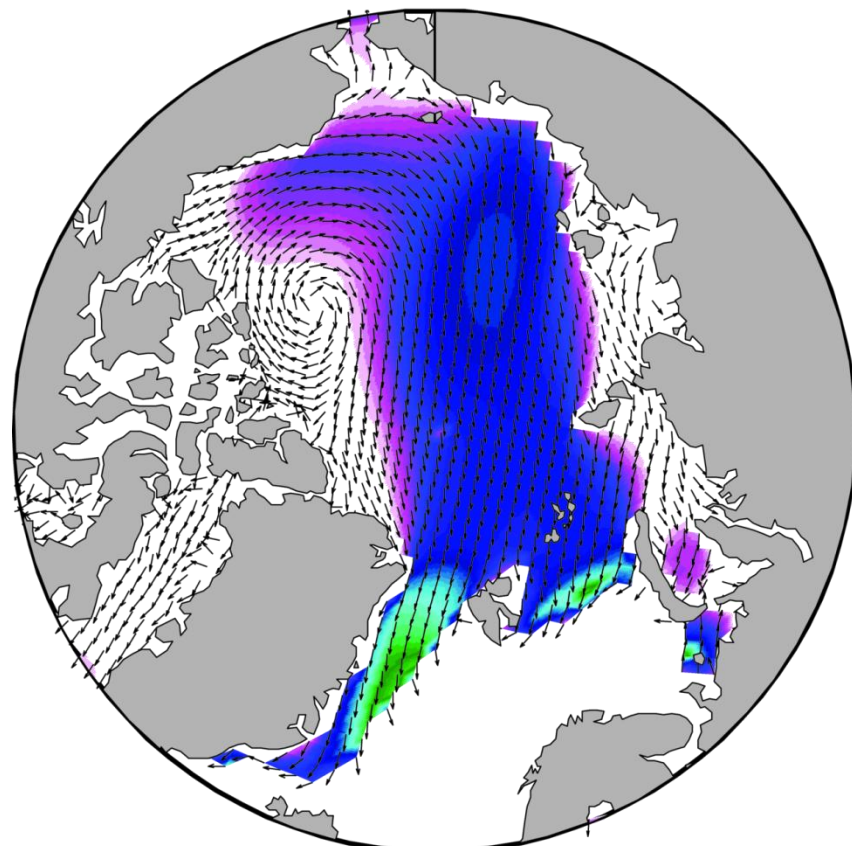
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Simulated



km/day

25

20

15

10

5

0

Sea ice drift is deduced
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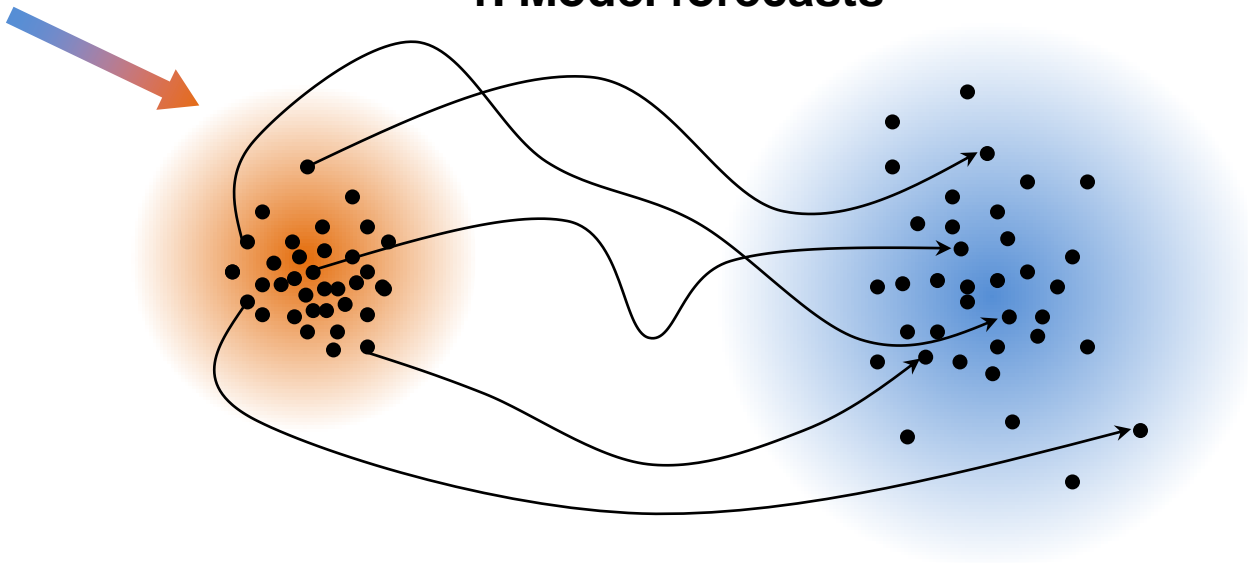
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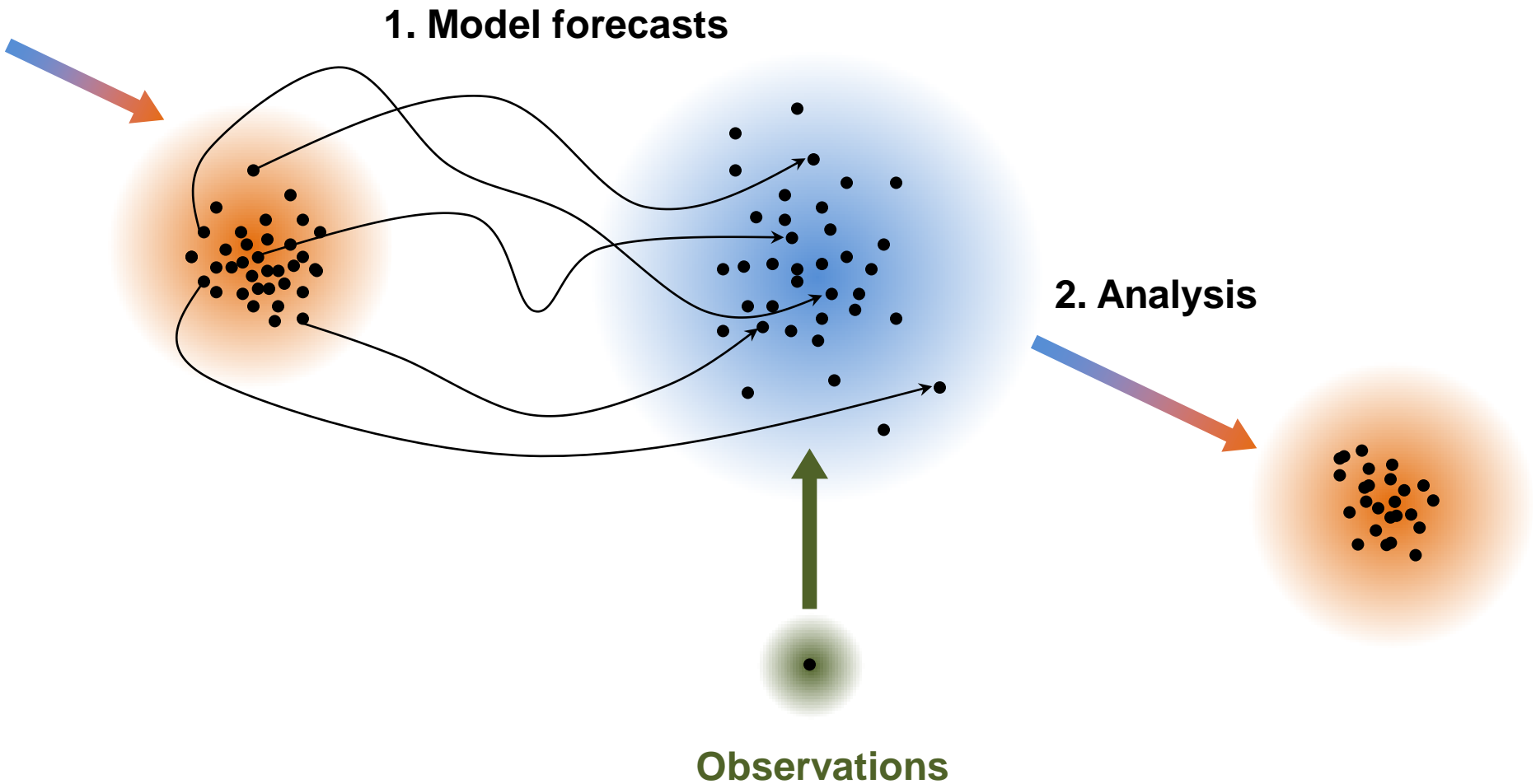
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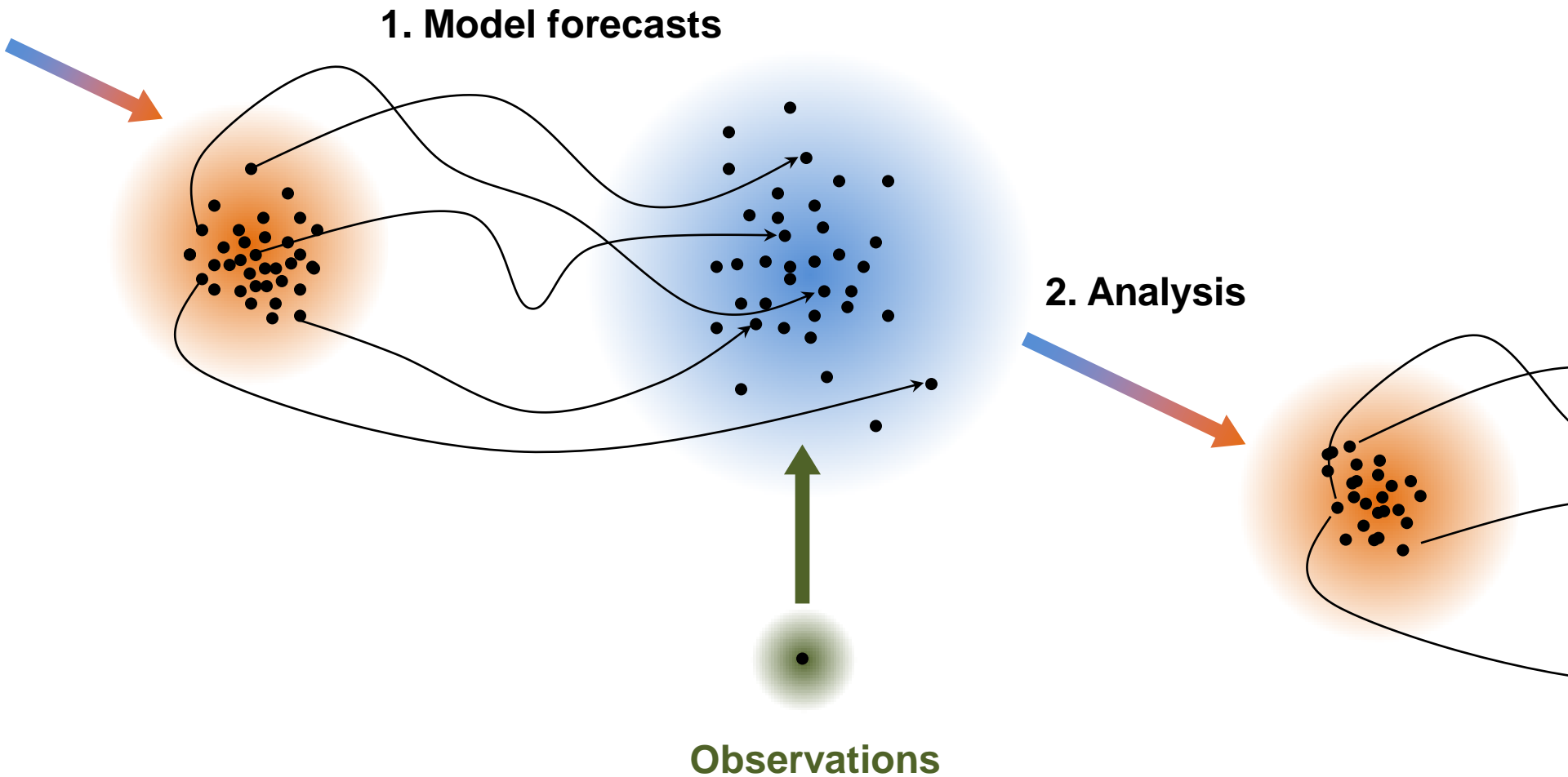
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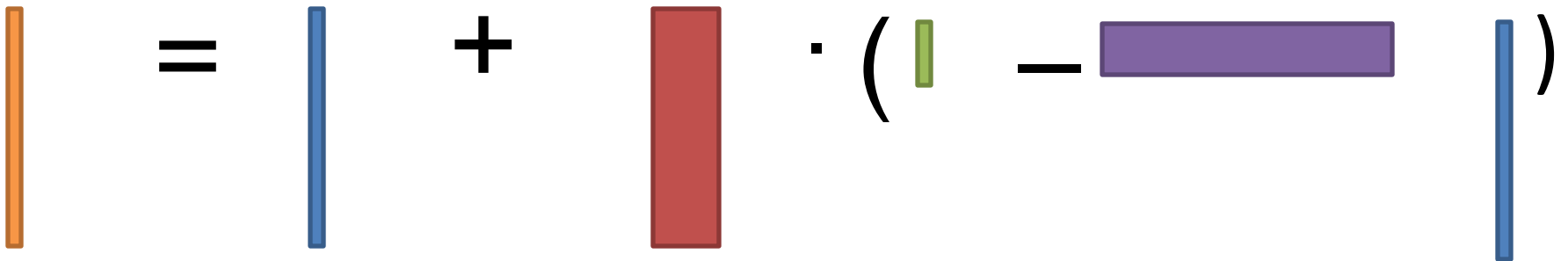


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State estimation with Ensemble Kalman Filter

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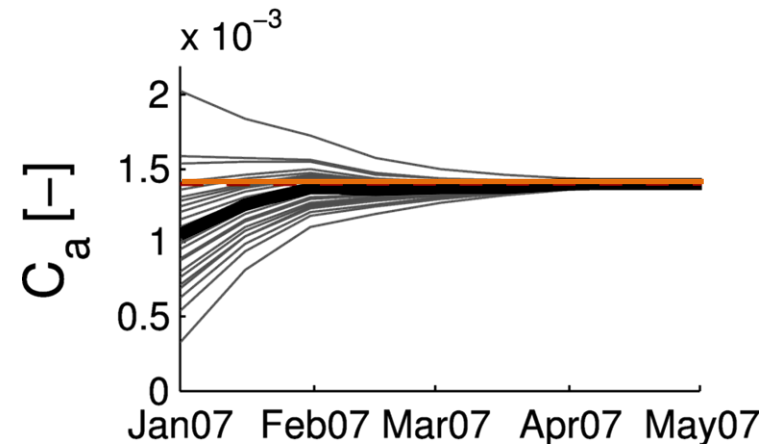
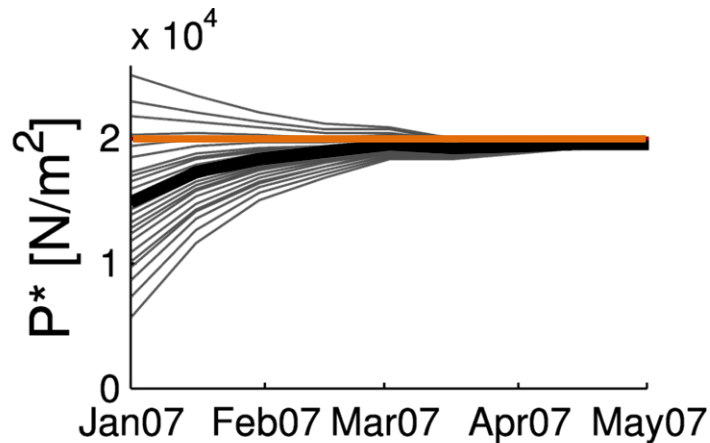
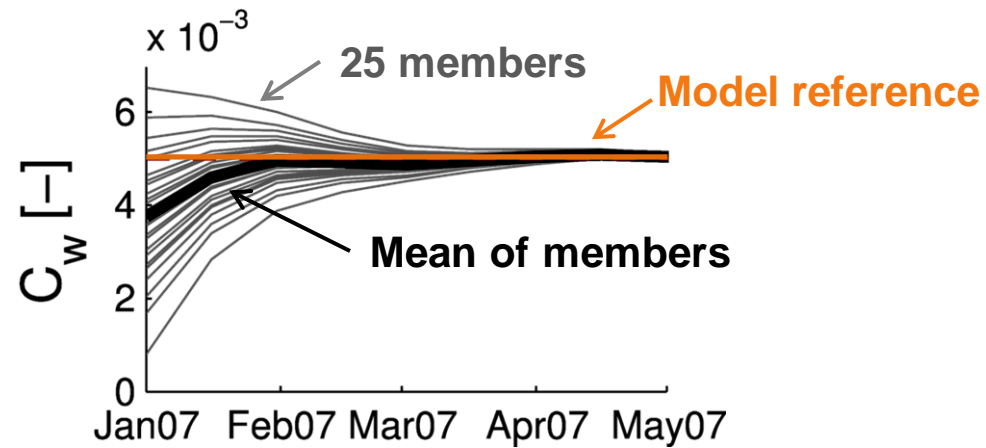
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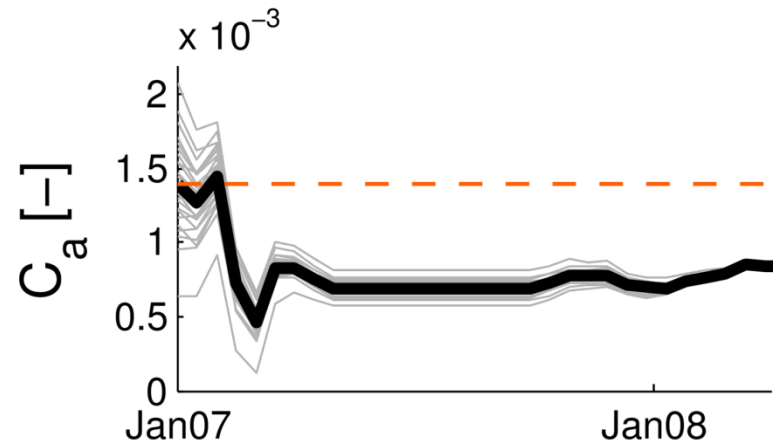
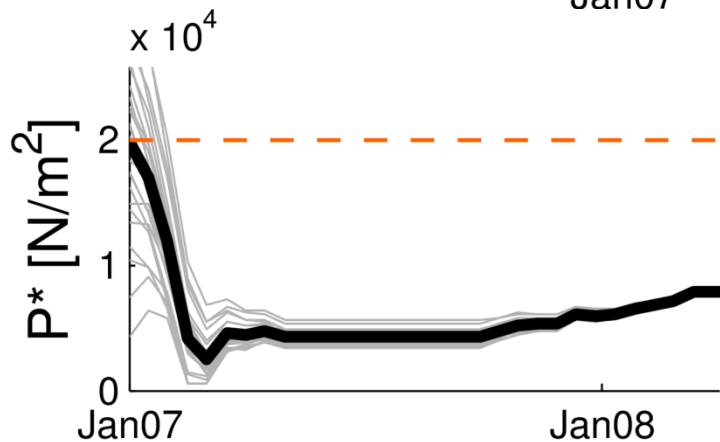
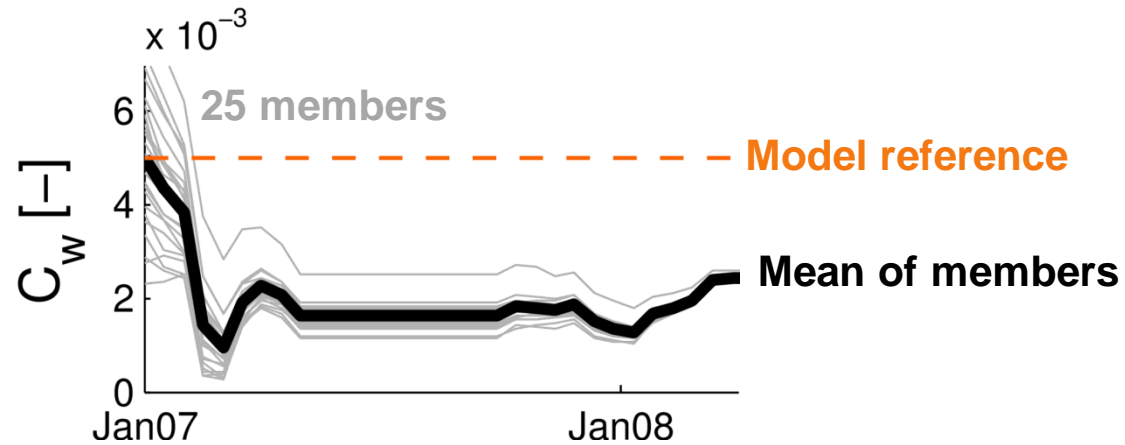
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Parameters

Under perfect model assumptions, the original set of parameters is retrieved



Convergence in the real case,
new parameter values need to be tested



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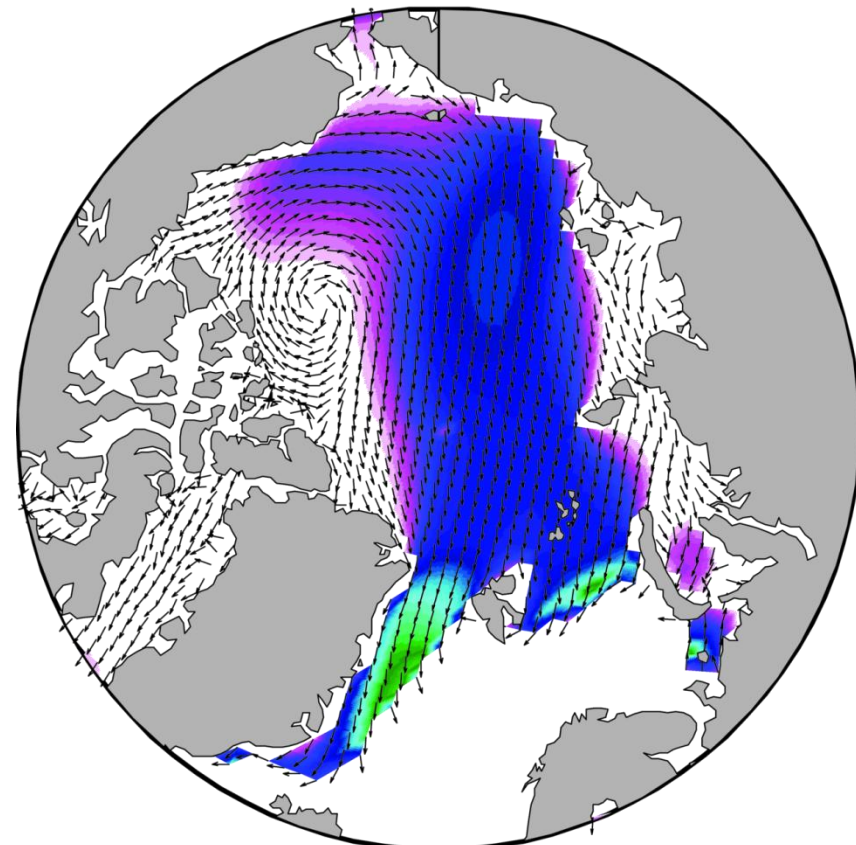
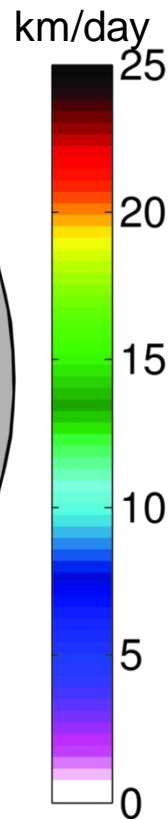
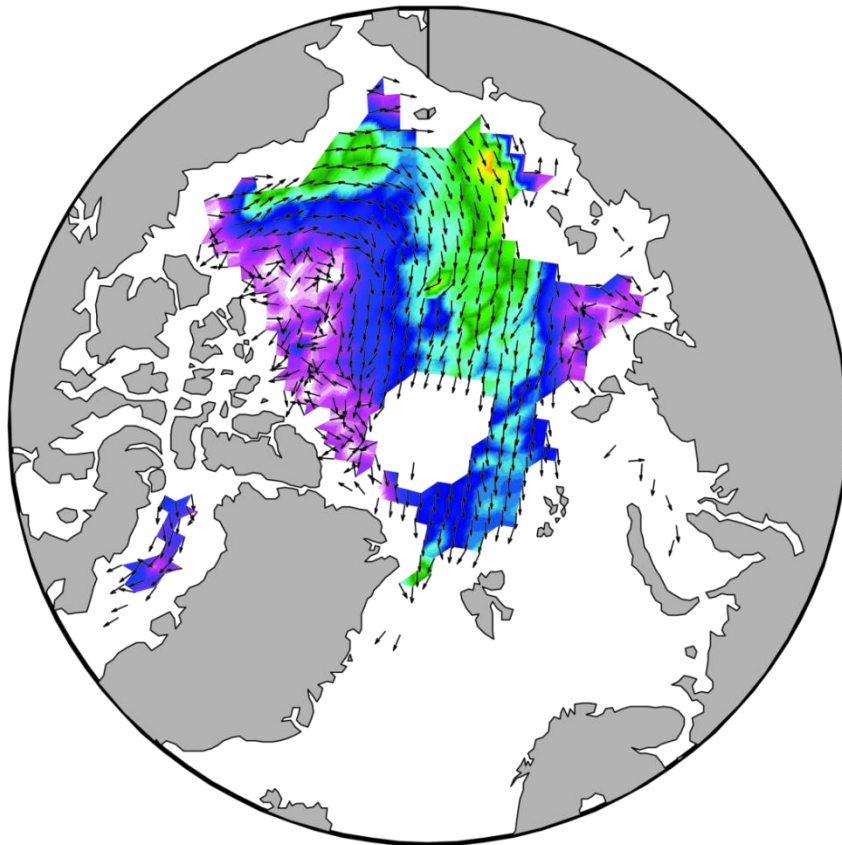
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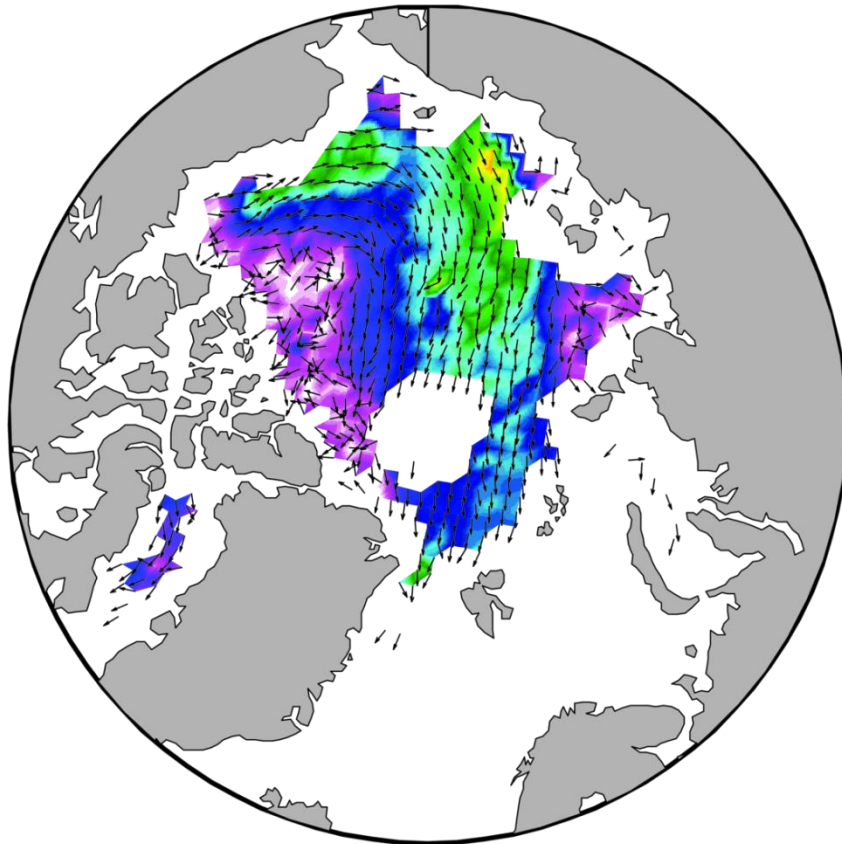
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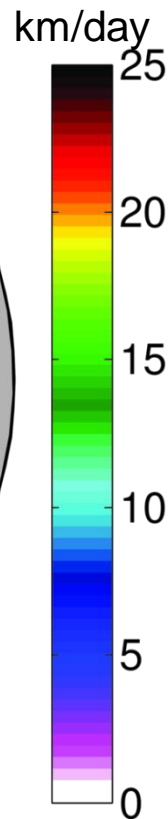
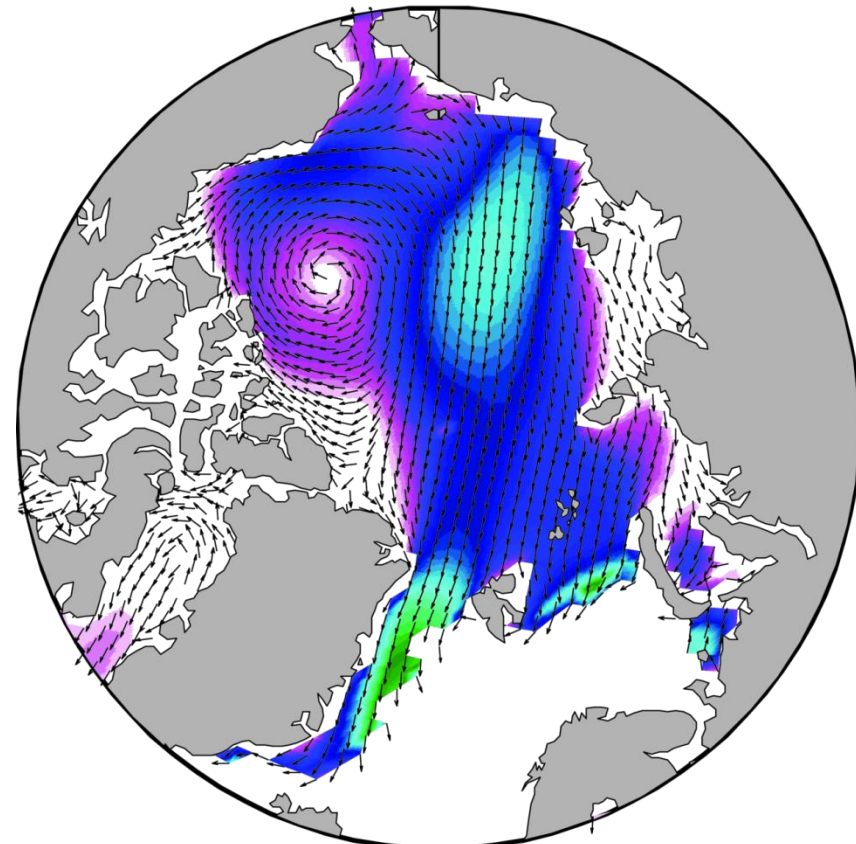
Calibration of one parameter: in the right direction

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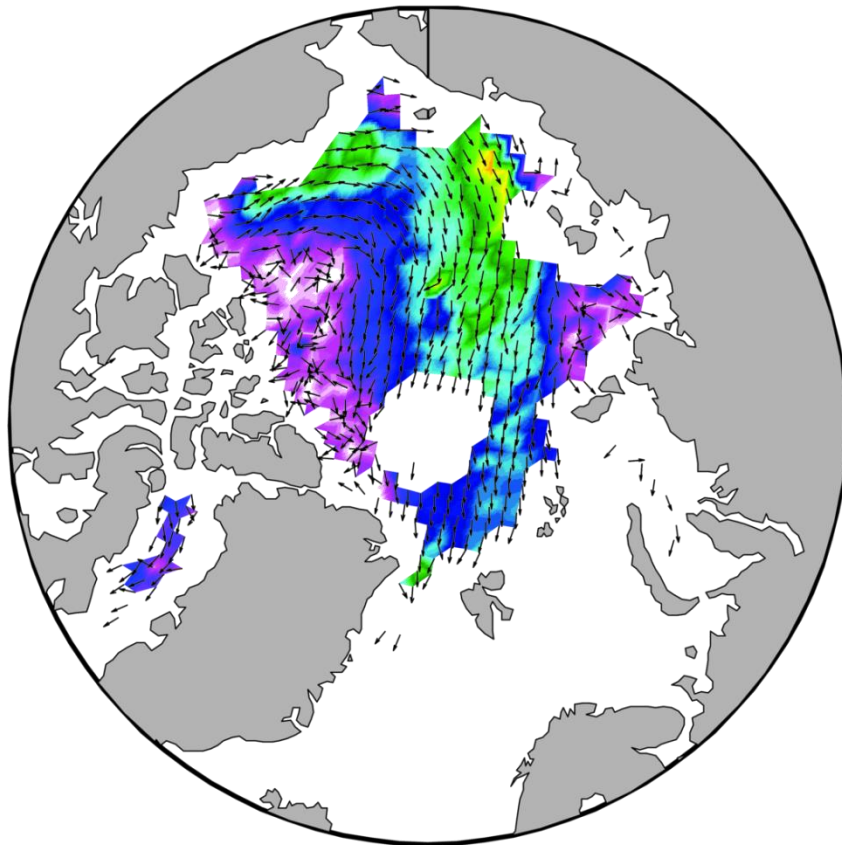
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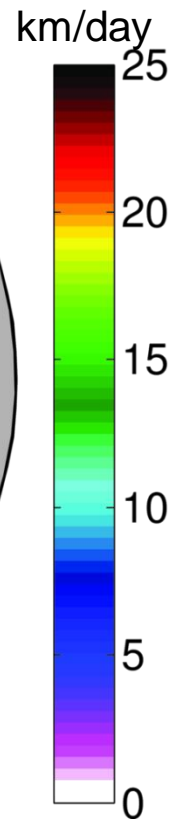
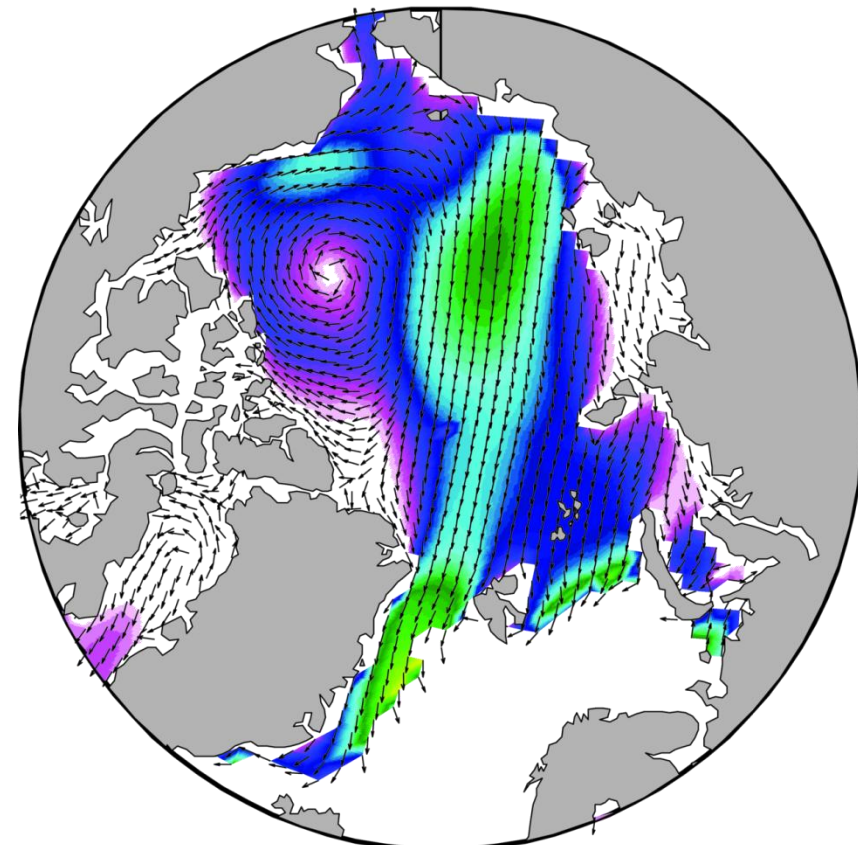
Calibration of two parameters: further improvements

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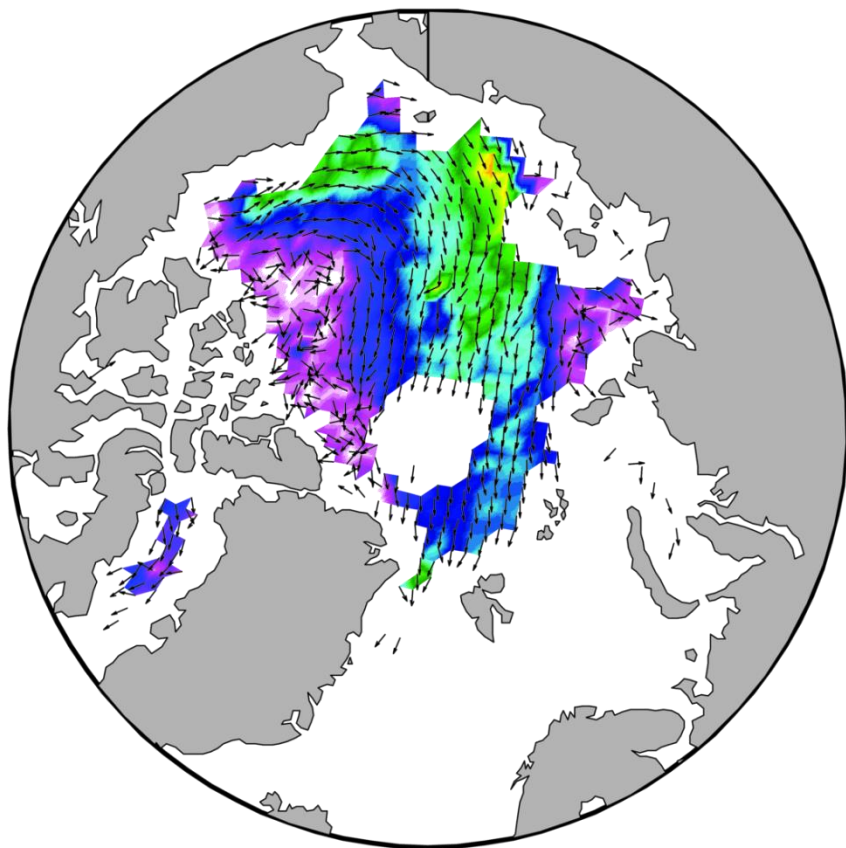
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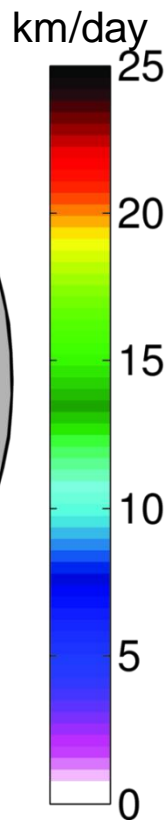
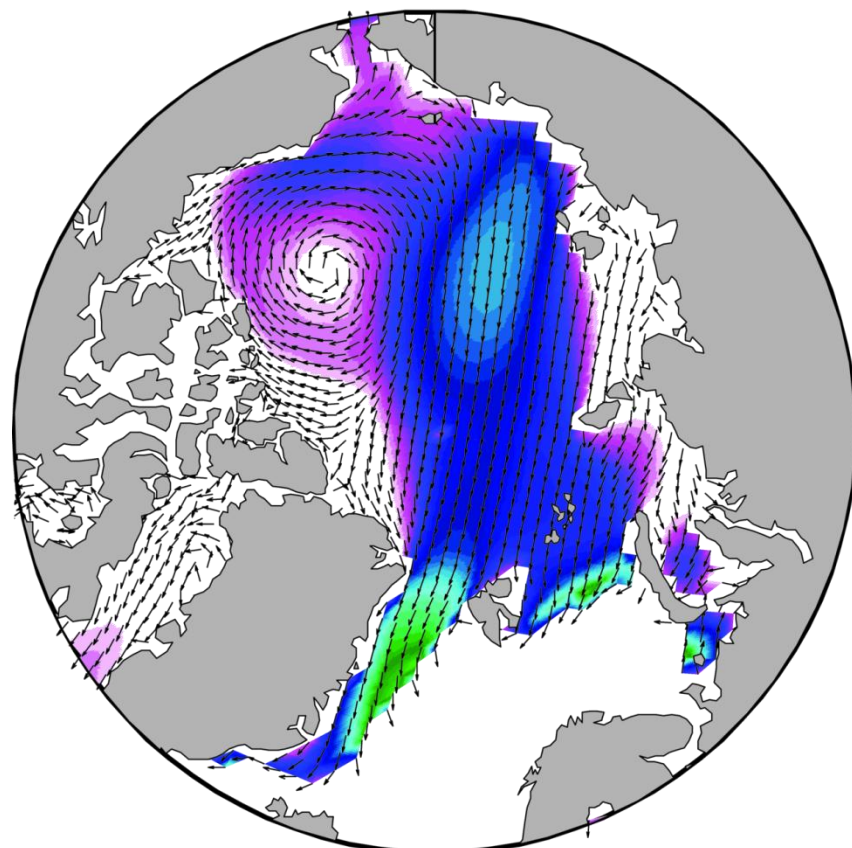
Calibration of three parameters: not as expected

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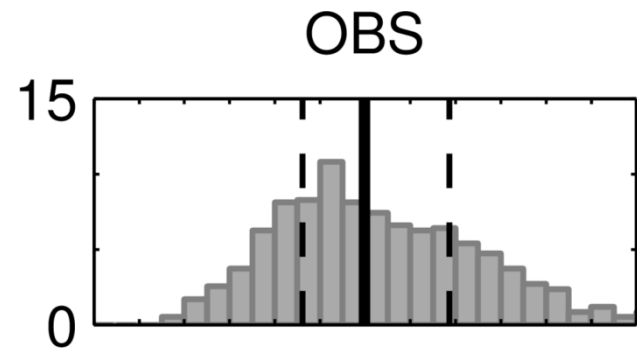
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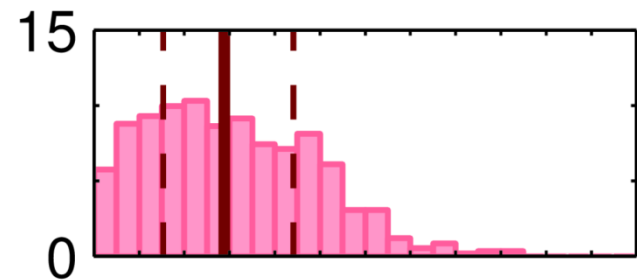
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Improved 2007-2012 distribution of Arctic sea ice speeds

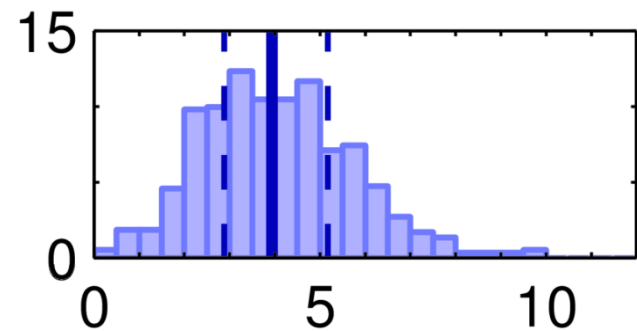


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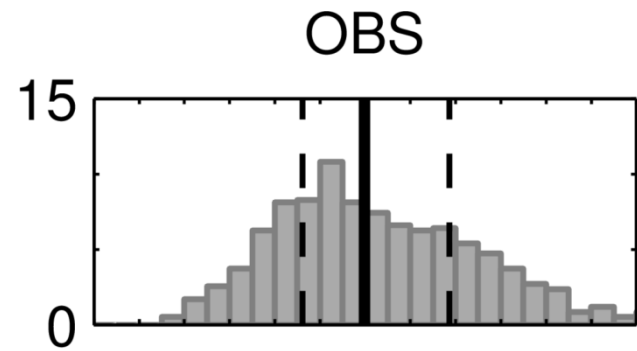
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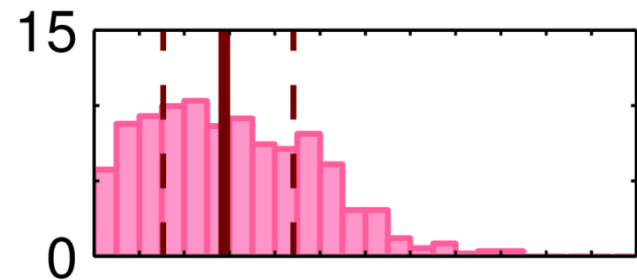


Sea ice speed [km/day]

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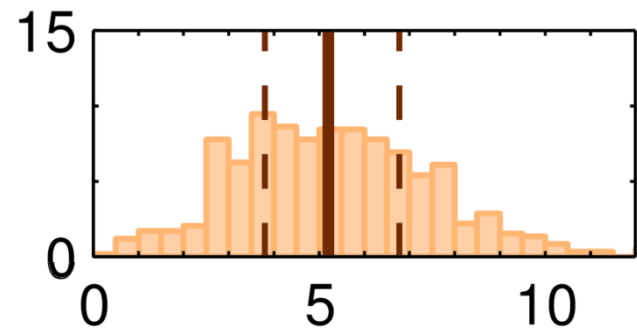


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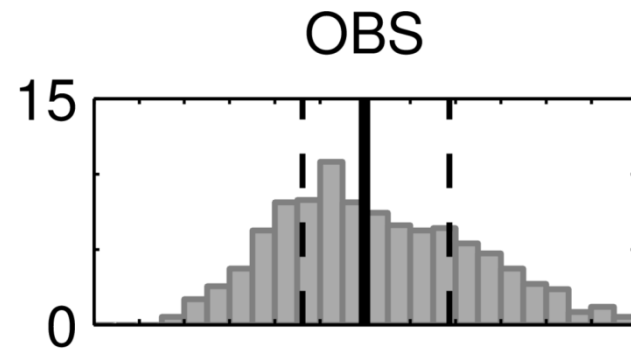
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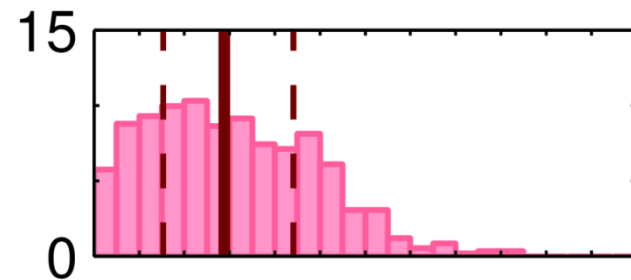


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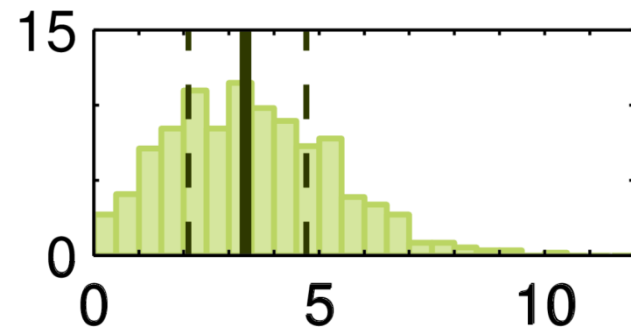
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Sea ice speed [km/day]



Winter 2010
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C_a P^* C_w



Two dominant regimes for winter Arctic sea ice drift at daily time scales



$$\vec{F}_{Air} + \vec{F}_{Internal} + \vec{F}_{Ocean} = 0$$

C_a
 P^*
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[Steele et al., 1997]

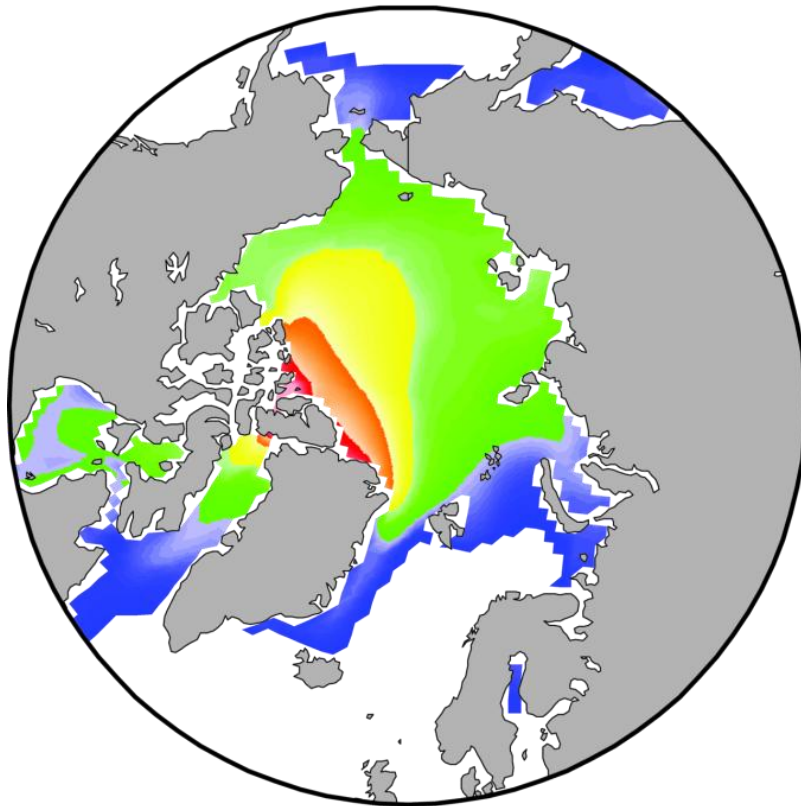
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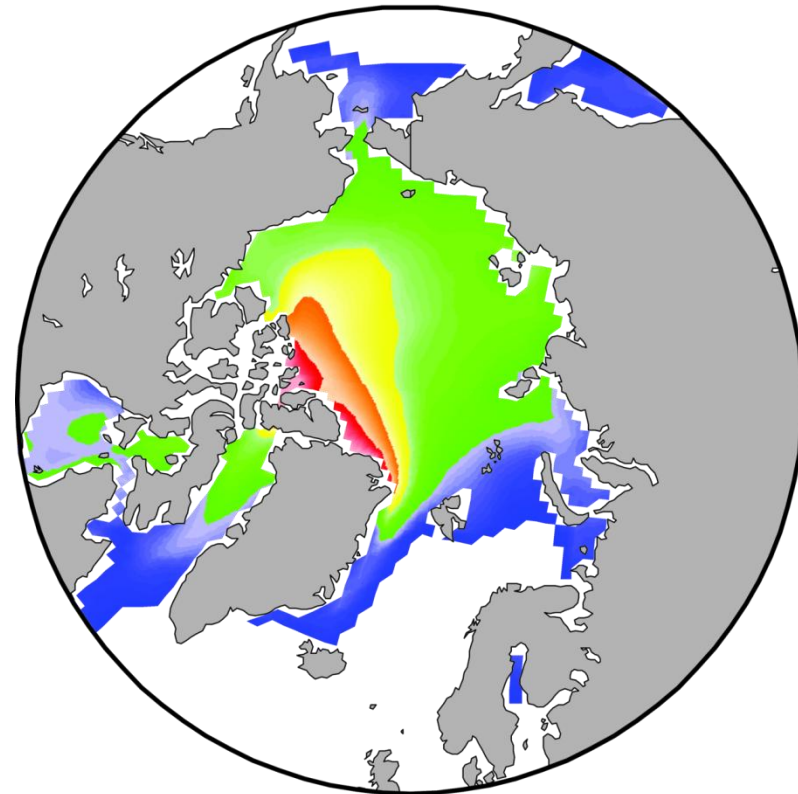
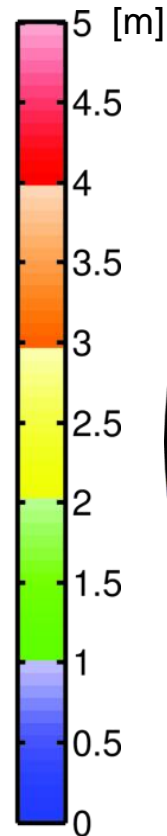
Minor changes in sea ice thickness

March 2007-2012 sea ice thickness

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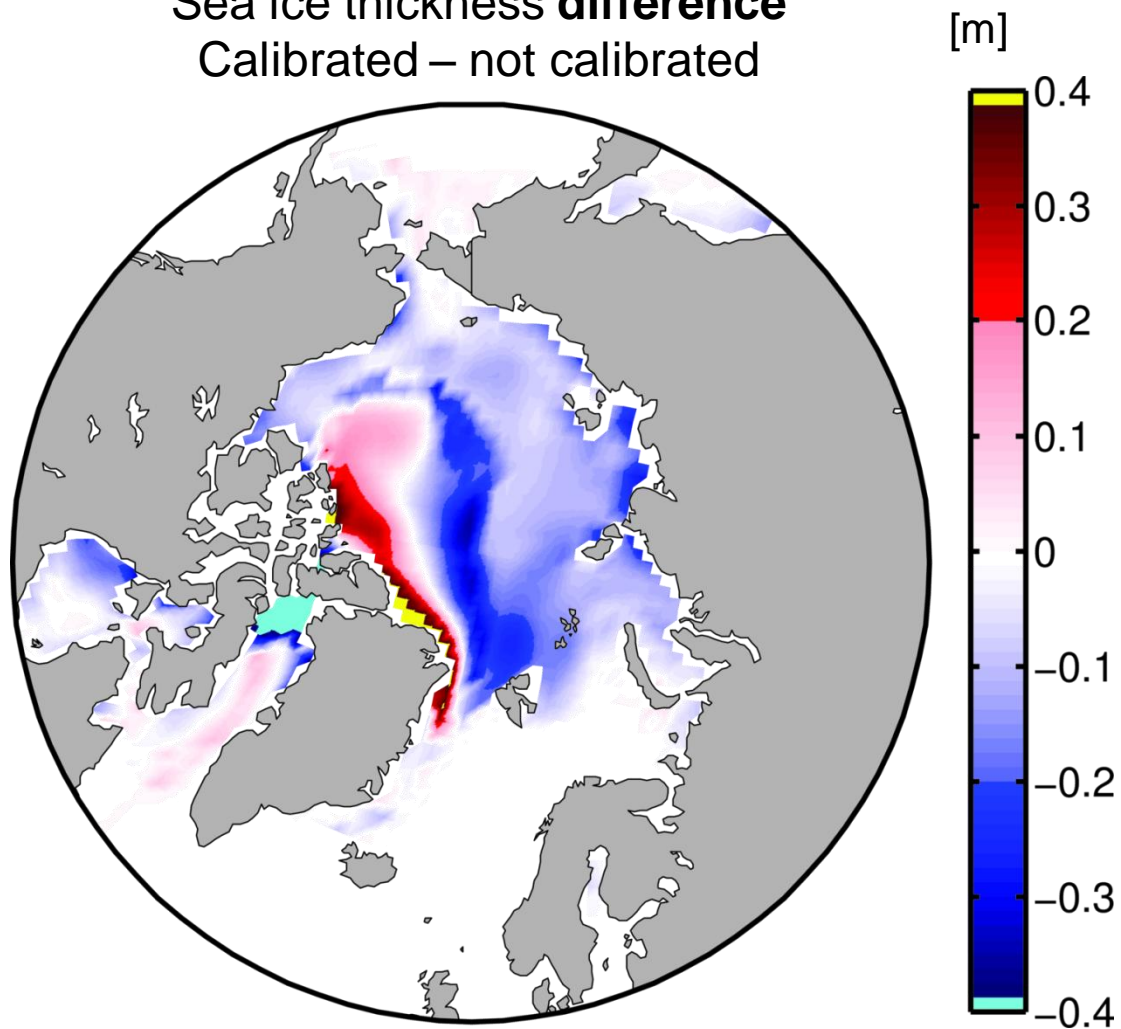


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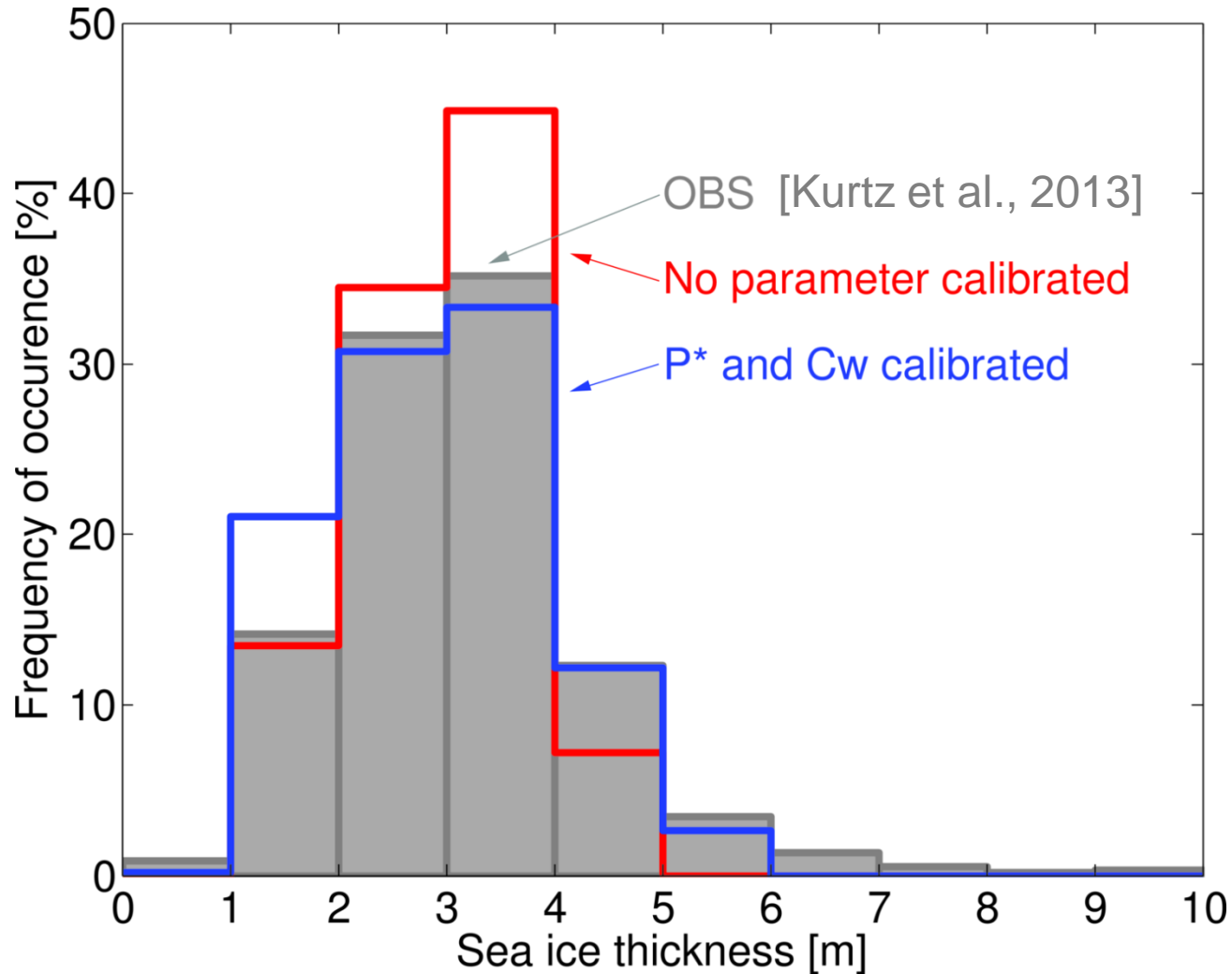


Thick ice gets thicker, thin ice gets thinner

Sea ice thickness **difference**
Calibrated – not calibrated



Slight improvement in 2009-2012 sea ice thickness distribution

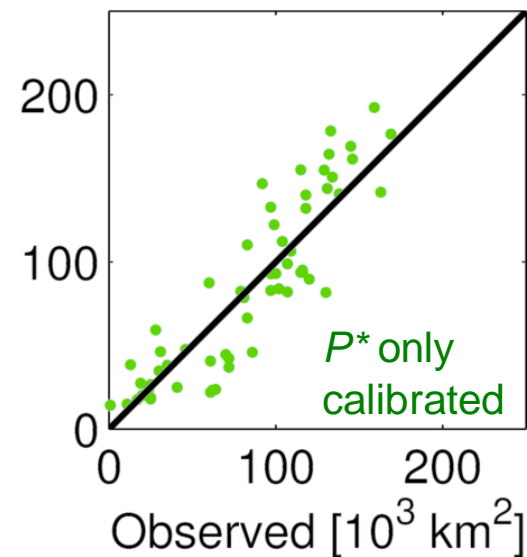
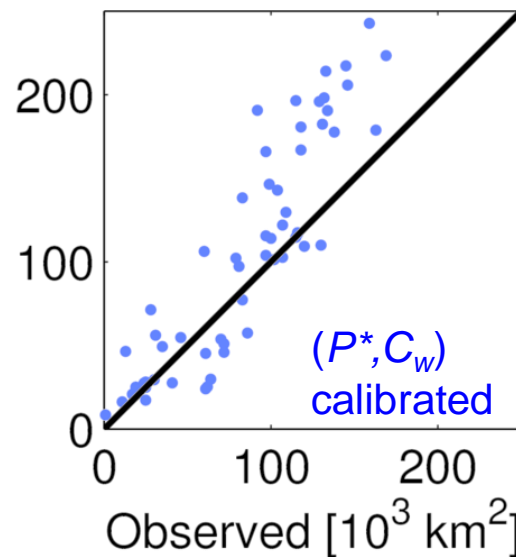
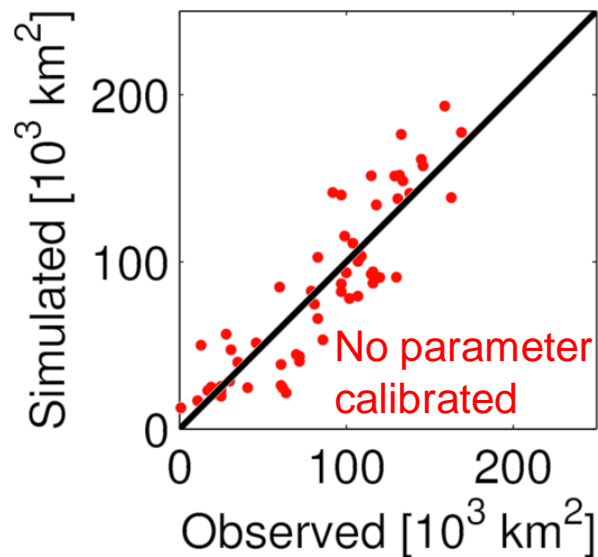




Limitations in a global analysis framework



Monthly areal export of sea ice through Fram Strait



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Parameter calibration for GCMs / ESMs

Spatial parameter calibration

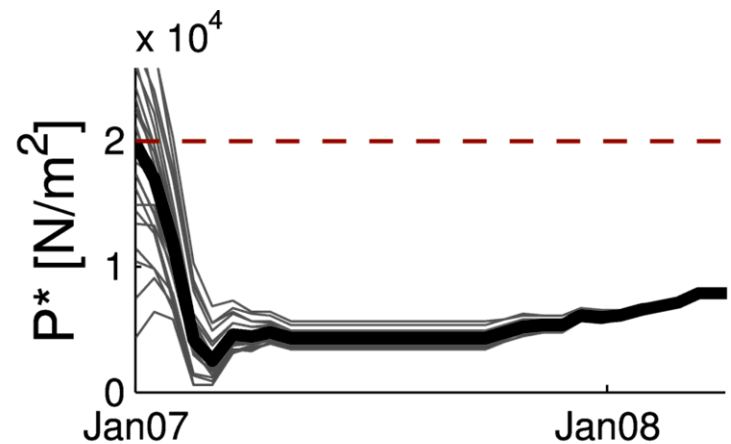
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Take home messages

Nature ignores what is a parameter

Optimal parameter values are
configuration-dependent

Know your system before calibrating parameters

Calibrating too much/inappropriate parameters
may lead to suboptimal solutions

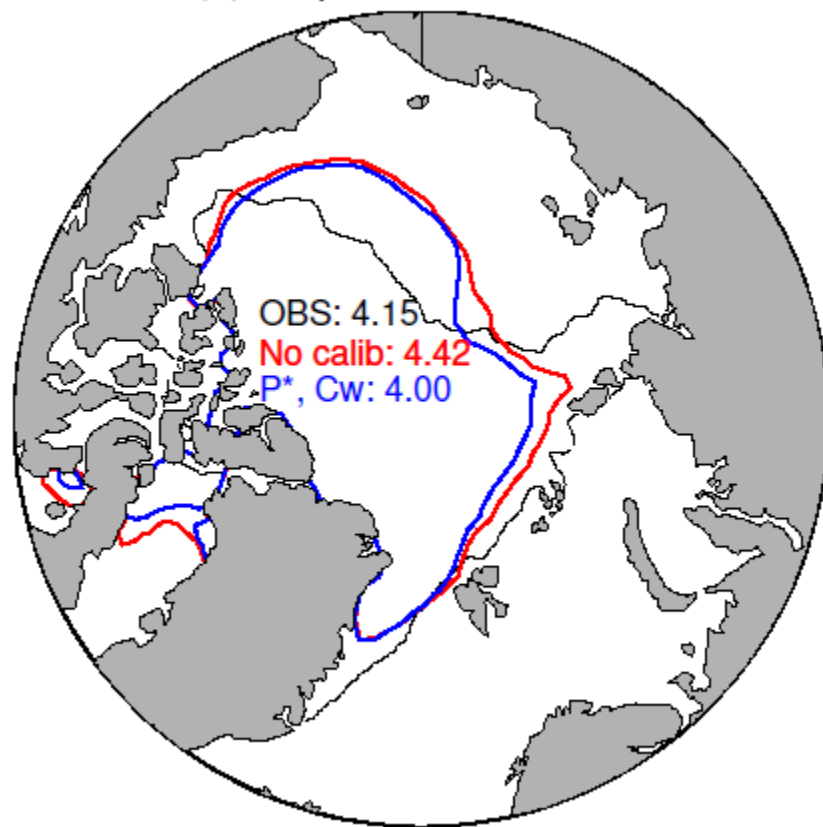


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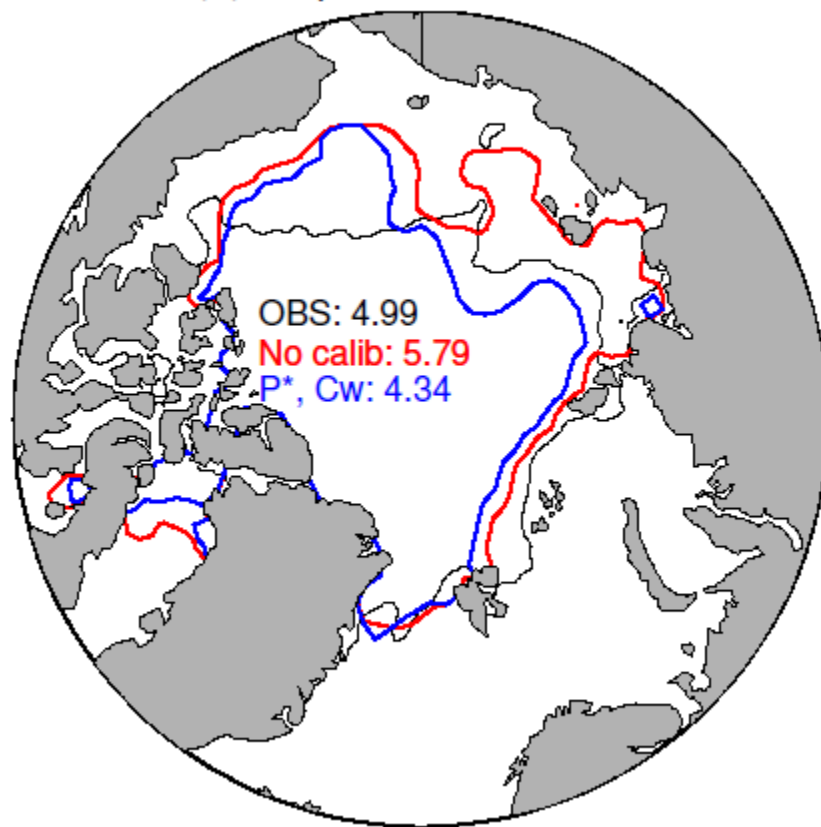
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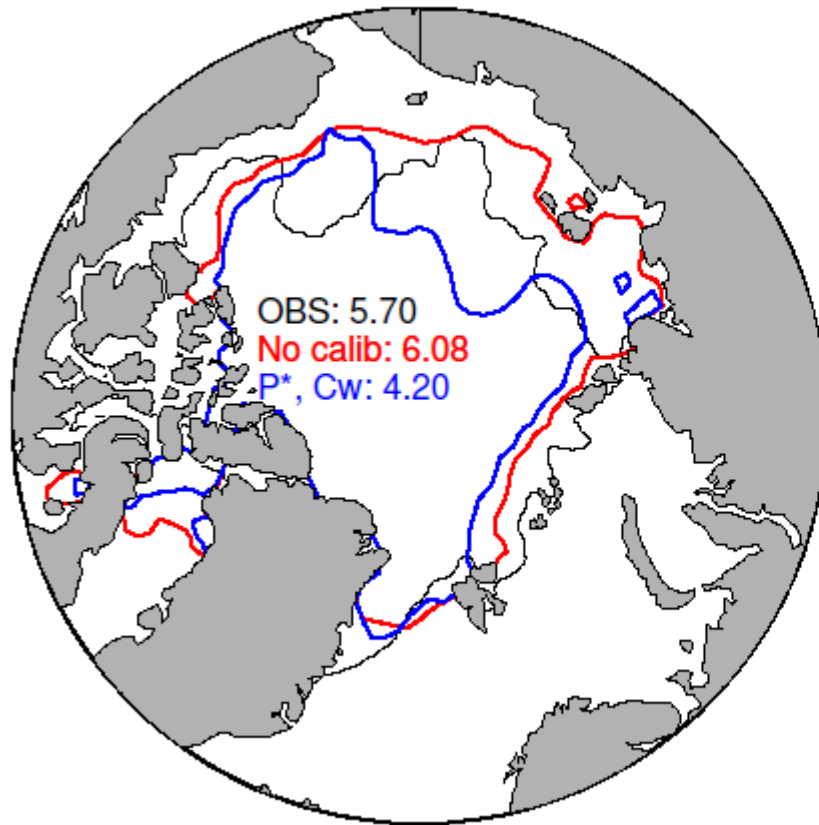
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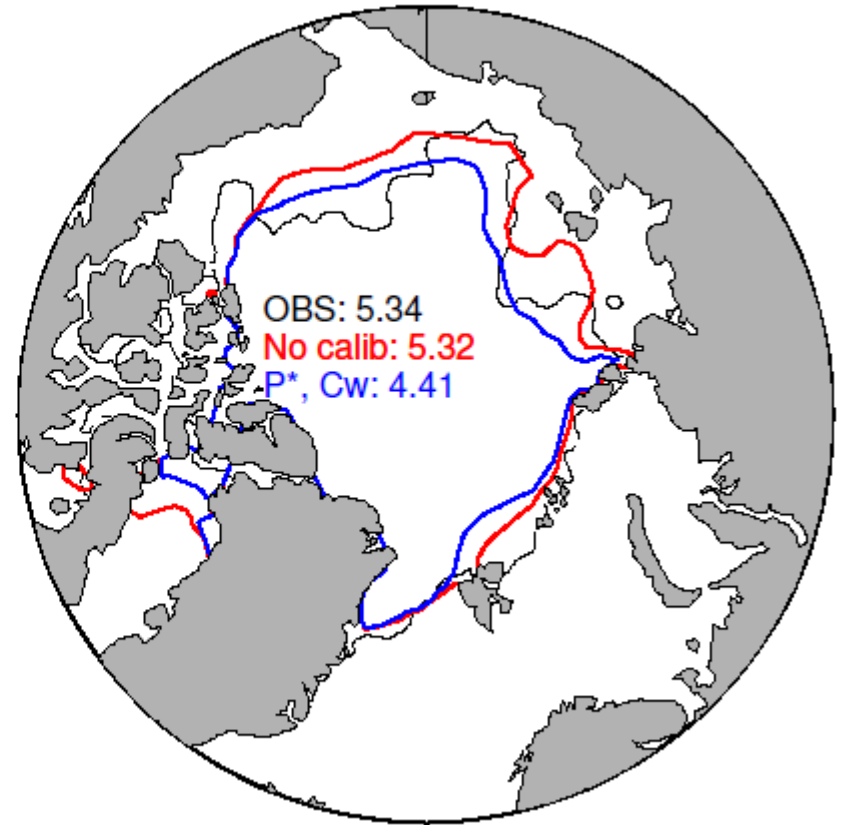
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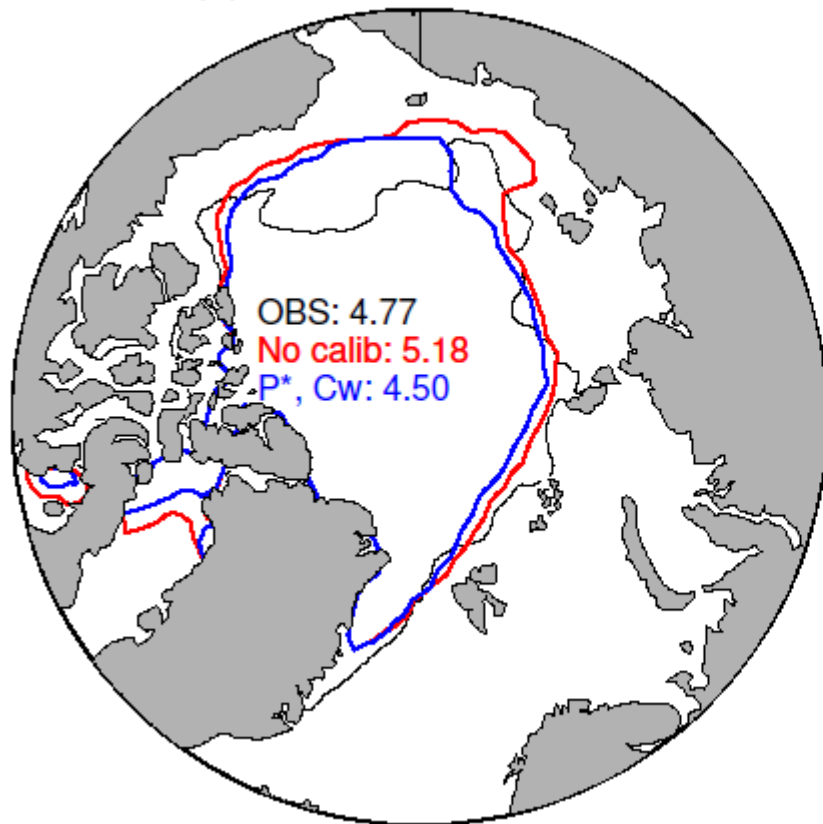
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