

# Towards an Operational Model of the Southeastern Brazilian Shelf

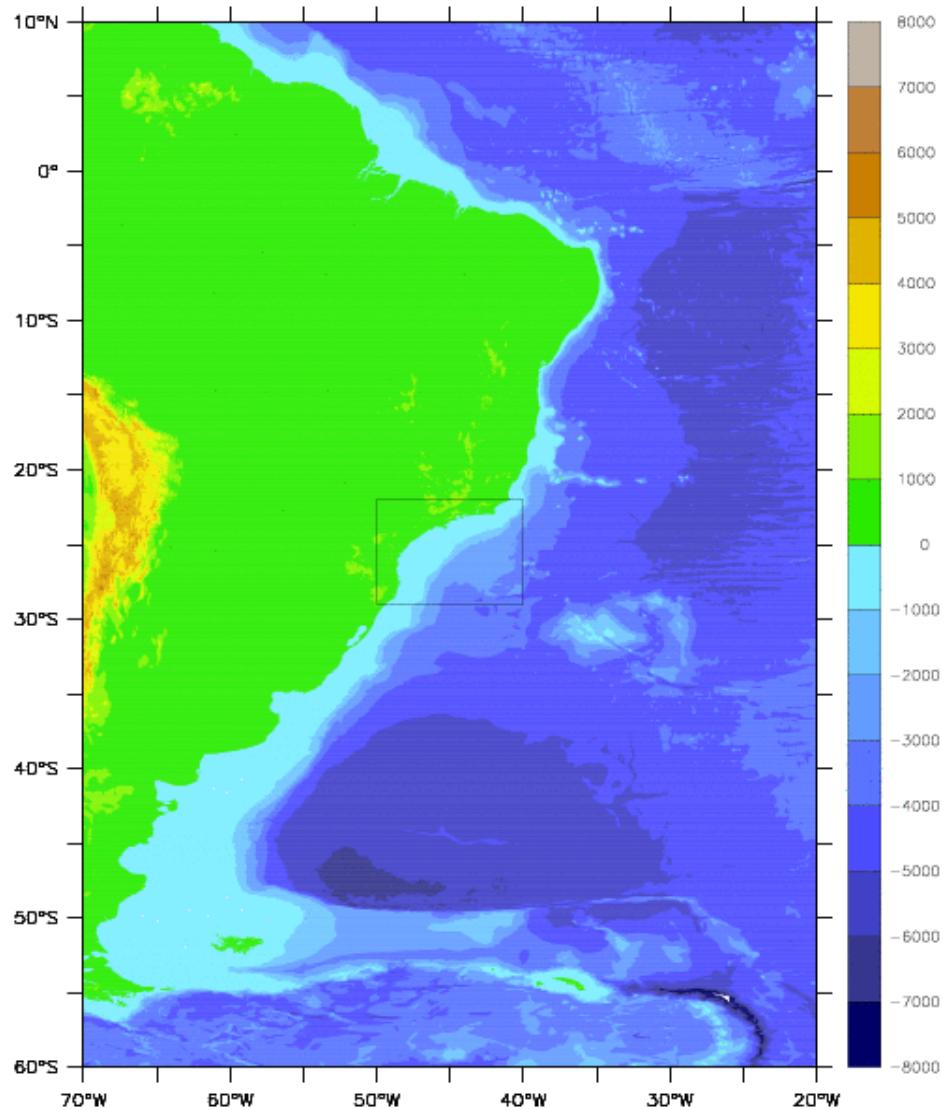
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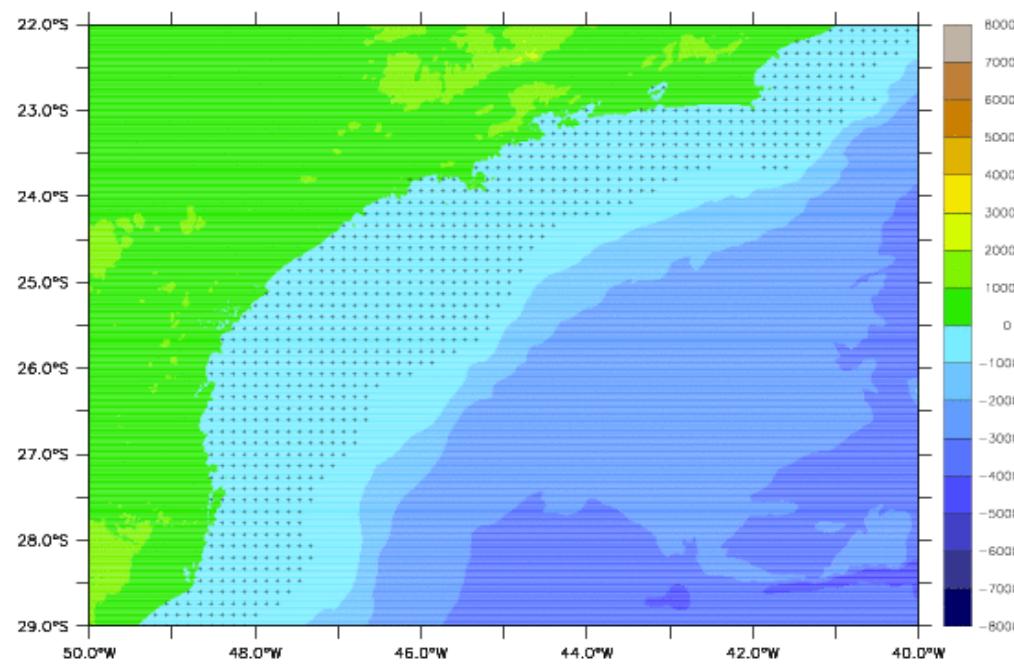
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# Southwest Atlantic



Southeastern Brazilian Shelf

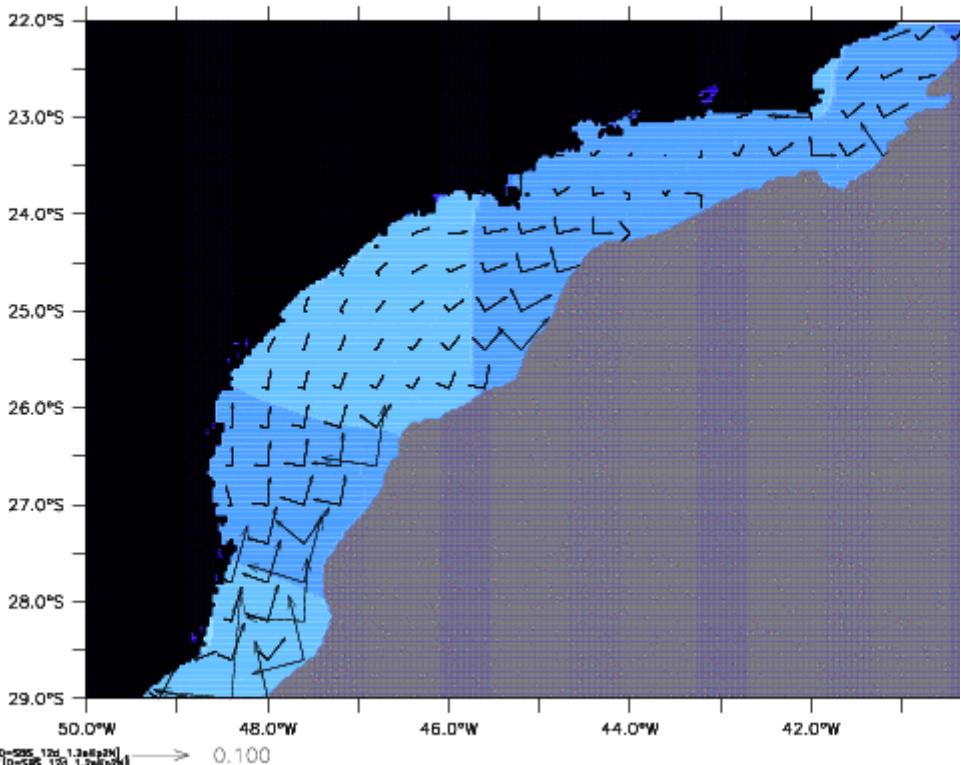


## Model setup

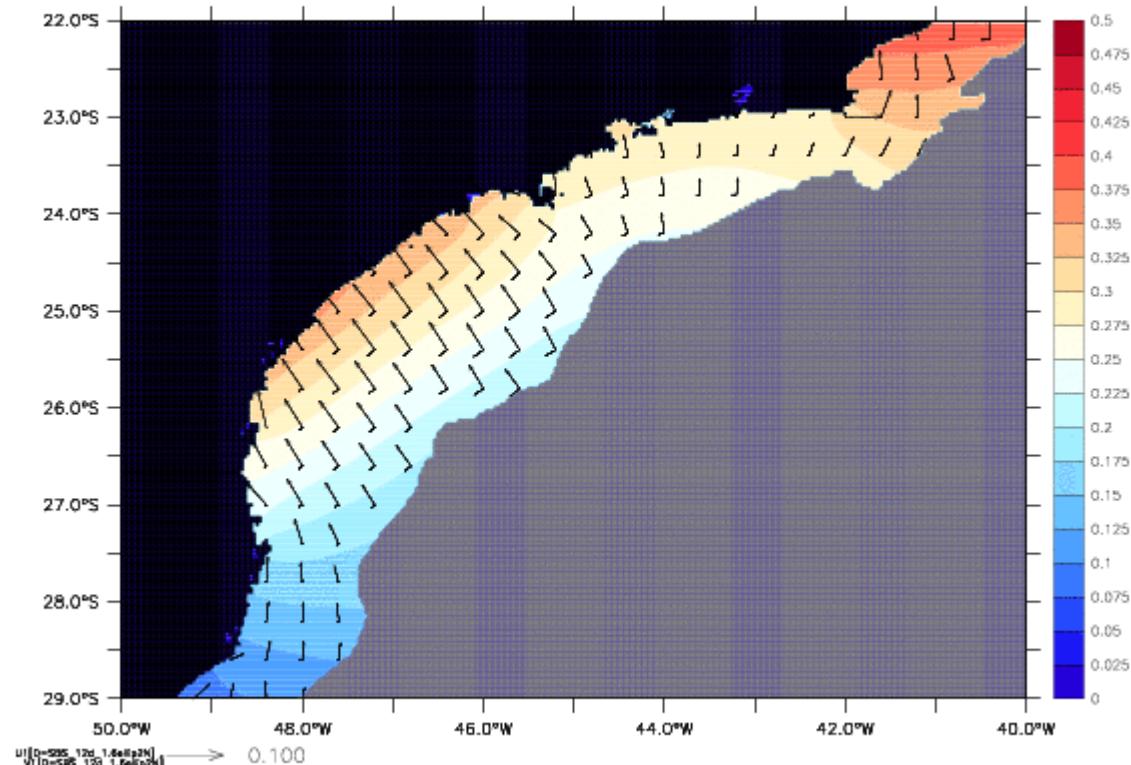
- COHERENS V2.2
- 2'x2' model grid (GEBCO Digital Atlas)
- meteo: NCEP at 6h intervals ( $1.875^{\circ}/2.5^{\circ}$ )
- 8 tidal harmonics
- initial and open boundary condition (T,S) from (WOA05) Levitus atlas

# Amplitude and Tidal Ellipse - SBS-2d

O1



M2



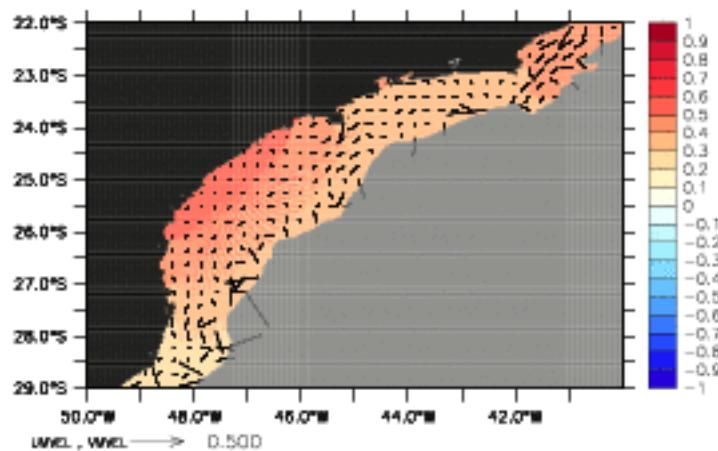
# Major tidal constants for Cananéia and Ubatuba

| Constituent | Cananéia |        | SBS-2d |        | SBS-3d-a |        | SBS-3d-g |        |
|-------------|----------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|
|             | H(m)     | G(deg) | H(m)   | G(deg) | H(m)     | G(deg) | H(m)     | G(deg) |
| $O_1$       | 0.115    | 129.5  | 0.123  | 122.1  | 0.110    | 170.9  | 0.101    | 170.9  |
| $K_1$       | 0.064    | 194.2  | 0.054  | 194.5  | 0.069    | 198.5  | 0.108    | 212.4  |
| $M_2$       | 0.371    | 188.4  | 0.361  | 170.8  | 0.377    | 230.7  | 0.373    | 232.4  |
| $S_2$       | 0.240    | 195.4  | 0.241  | 178.8  | 0.259    | 168.0  | 0.255    | 167.8  |
| Constituent | Ubatuba  |        | SBS-2d |        | SBS-3d-a |        | SBS-3d-g |        |
|             | H(m)     | G(deg) | H(m)   | G(deg) | H(m)     | G(deg) | H(m)     | G(deg) |
| $O_1$       | 0.109    | 125.3  | 0.091  | 124.3  | 0.081    | 181.1  | 0.078    | 181.4  |
| $K_1$       | 0.061    | 186.7  | 0.069  | 192.2  | 0.076    | 206.2  | 0.105    | 216.7  |
| $M_2$       | 0.298    | 166.2  | 0.299  | 163.8  | 0.307    | 234.9  | 0.307    | 235.6  |
| $S_2$       | 0.172    | 171.8  | 0.180  | 175.2  | 0.186    | 177.4  | 0.179    | 177.0  |

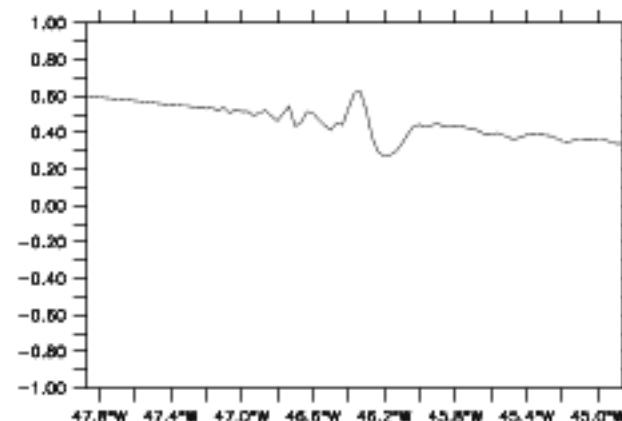
Table 1: Tidal constants for the four major constituents at Cananéia (top) and Ubatuba (bottom) and its values for the COHERENS simulations at the nearest grid point.

# Noise - SBS-3d-a

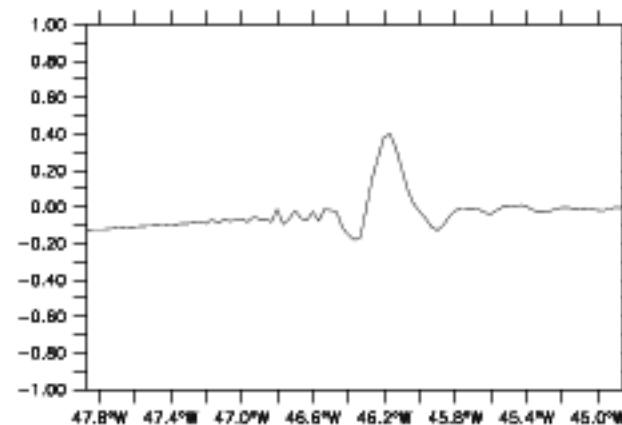
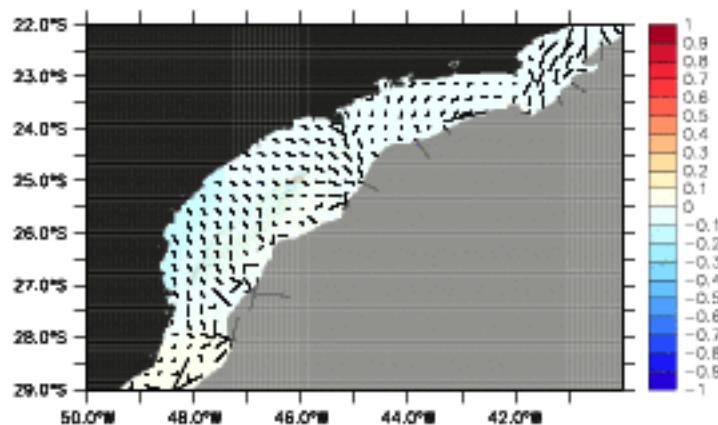
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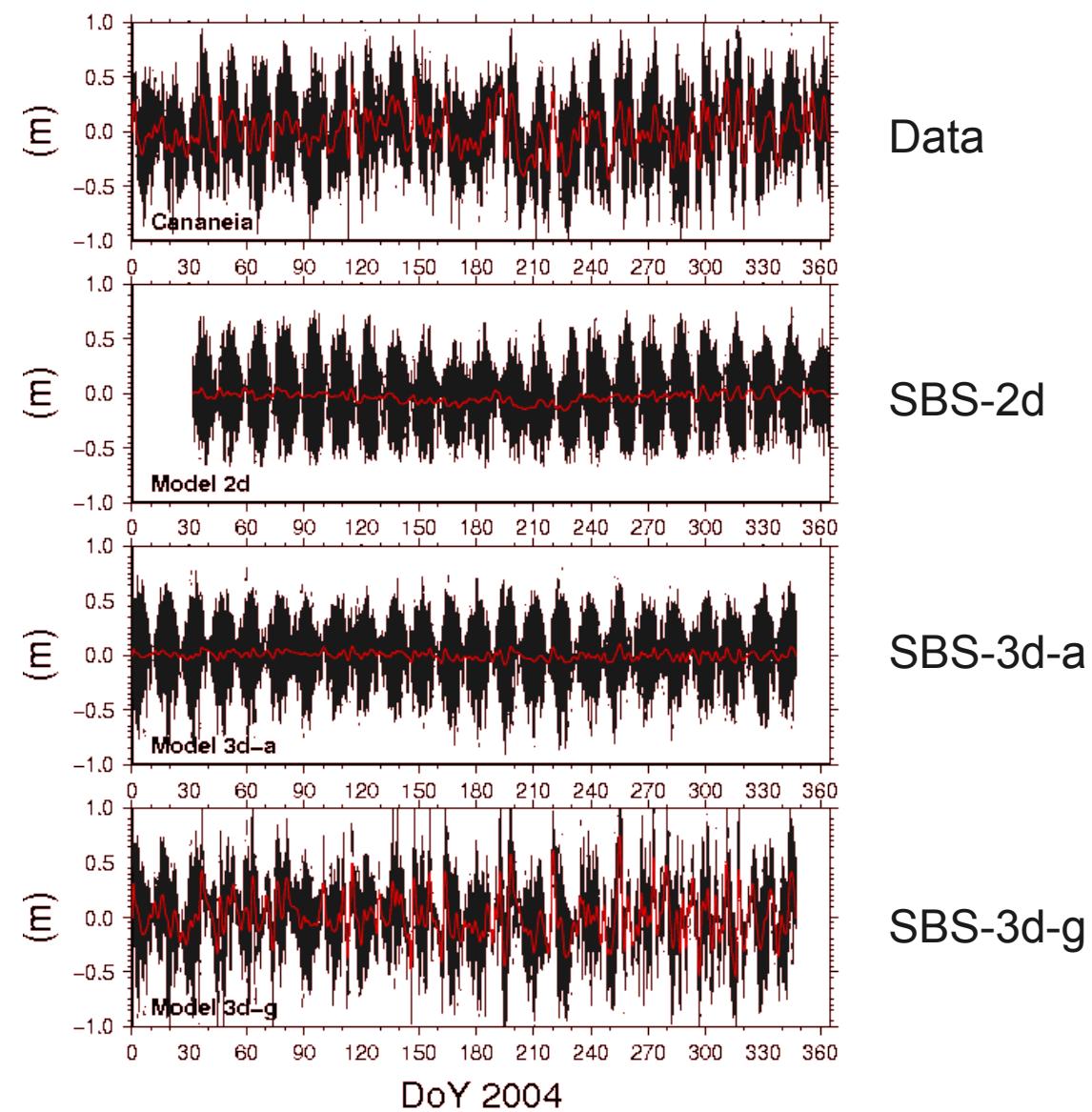
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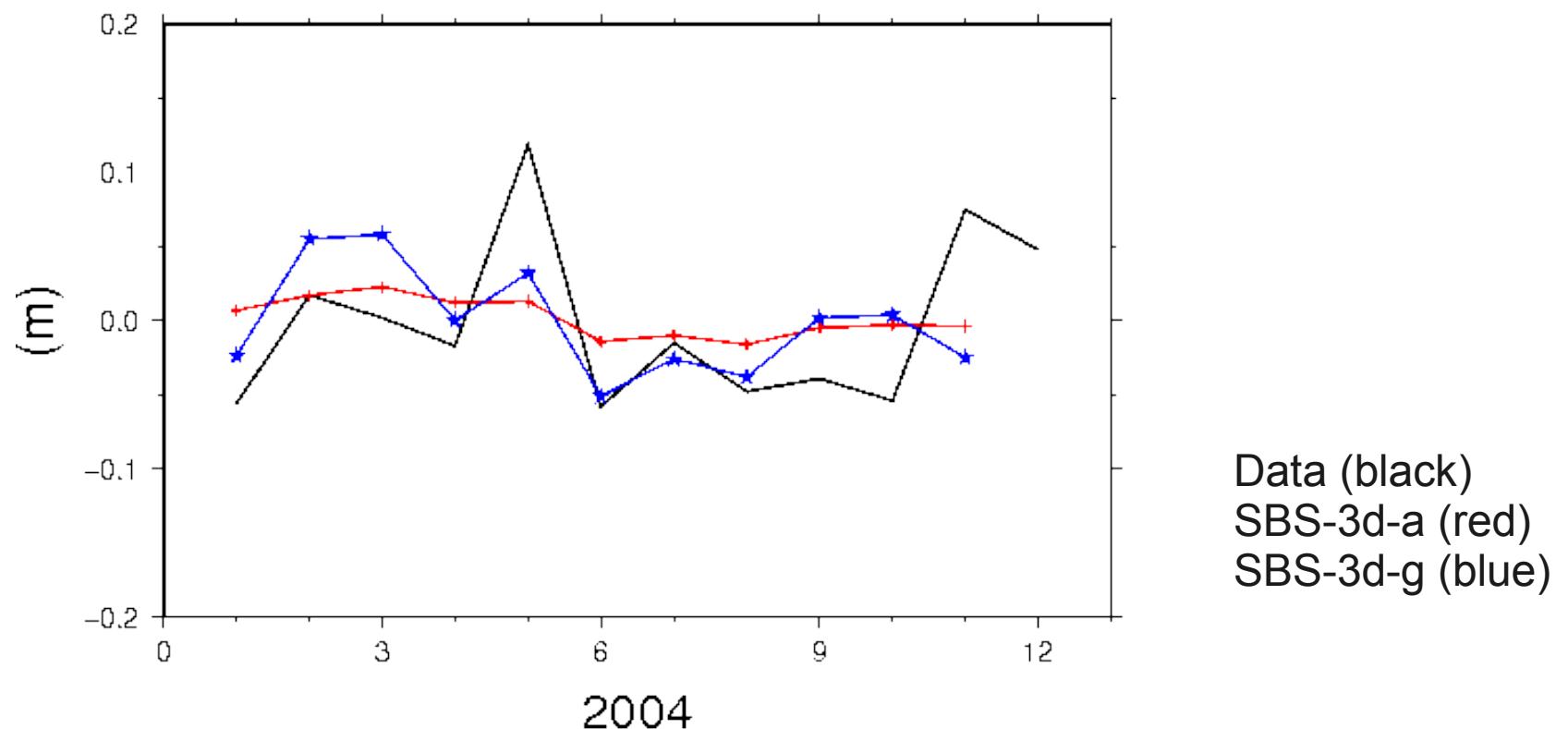
Section 25°S



# Sea-level at Cananeia Station

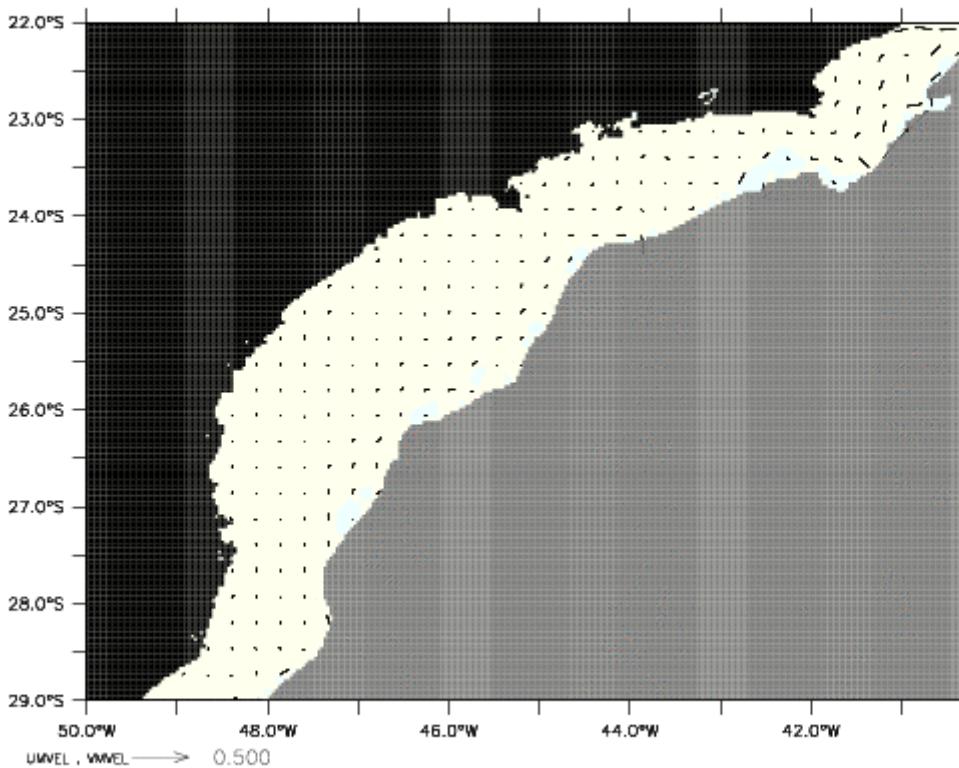


# Monthly sea-level at Cananeia Station

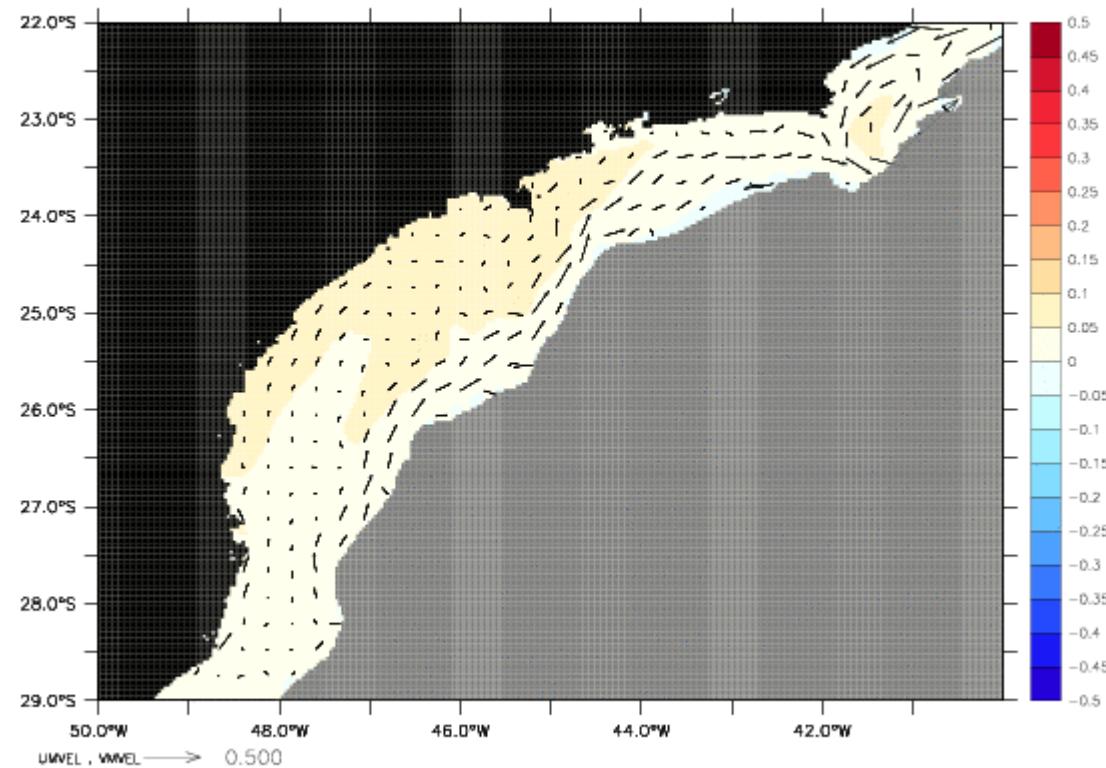


# 27-Mar-2004 Mean Sea-level/Surface Currents

SBS-3d-a

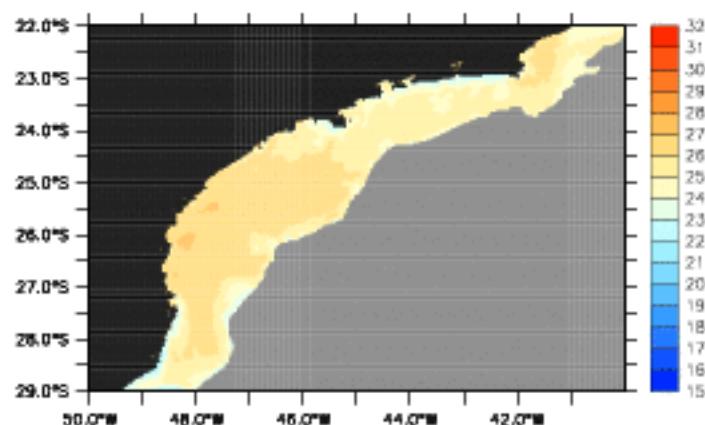


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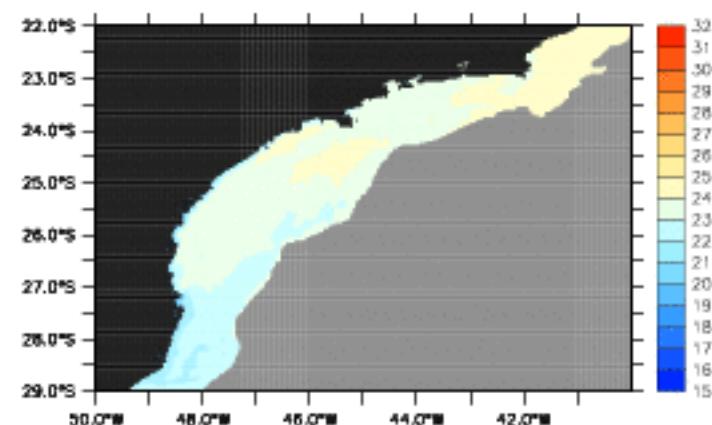


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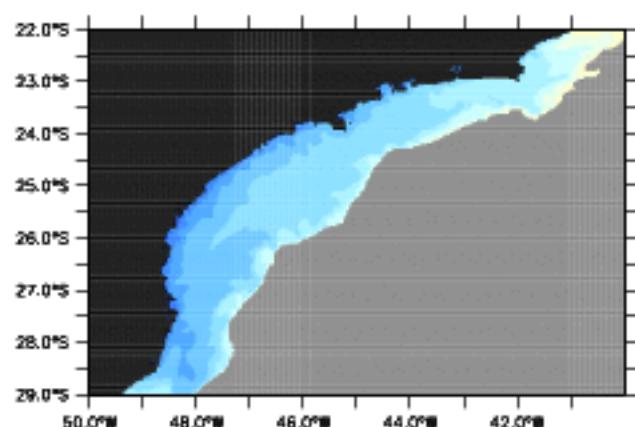
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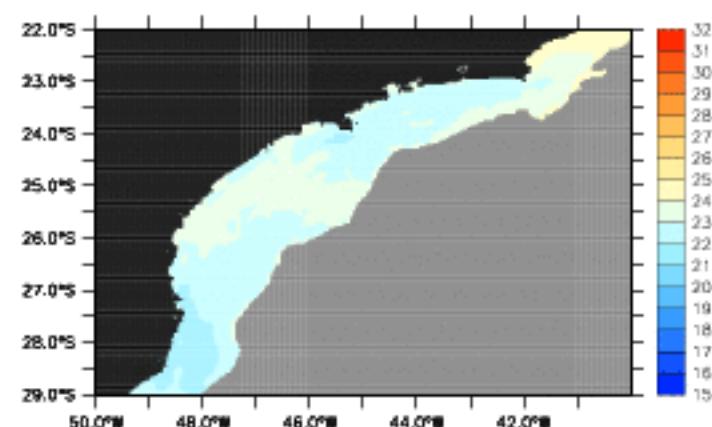
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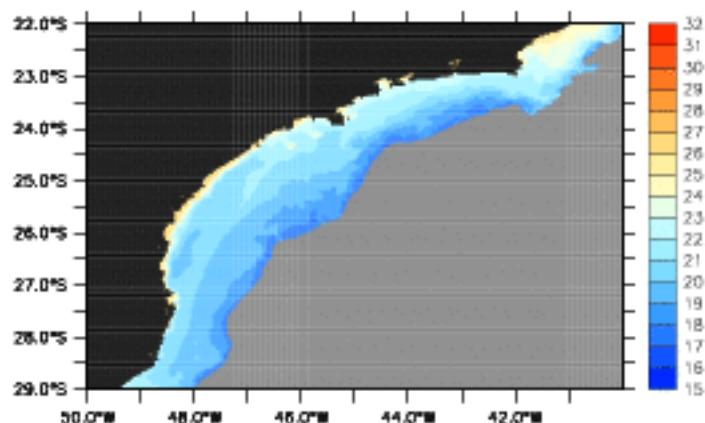


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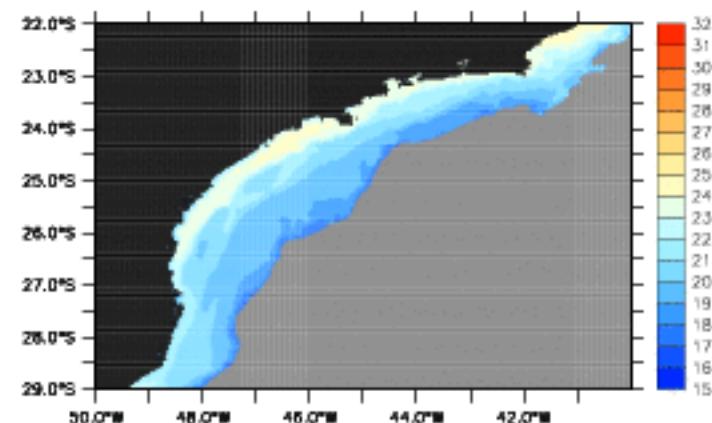


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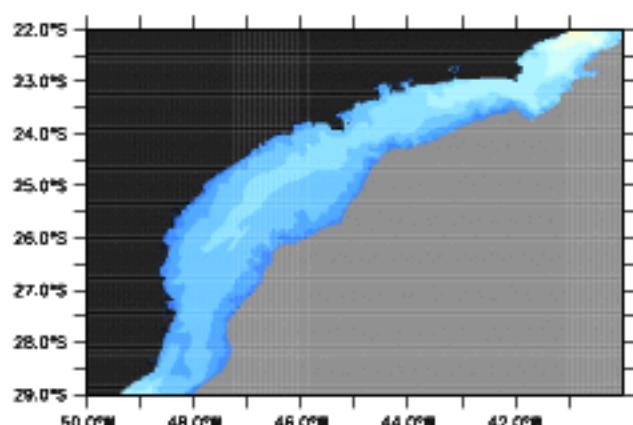
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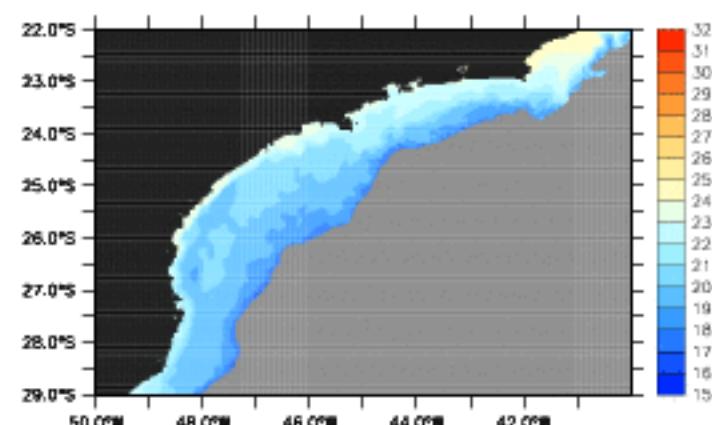
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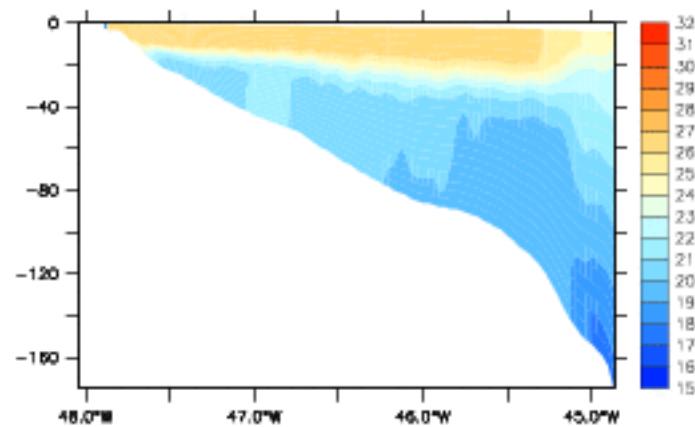


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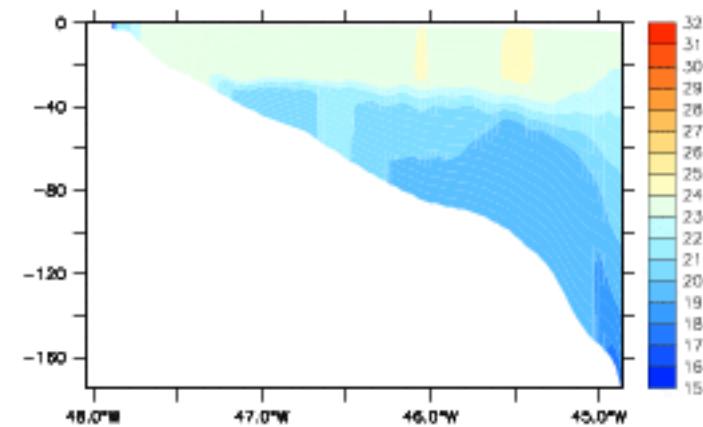


# Temperature 25°S section - SBS-3d-a

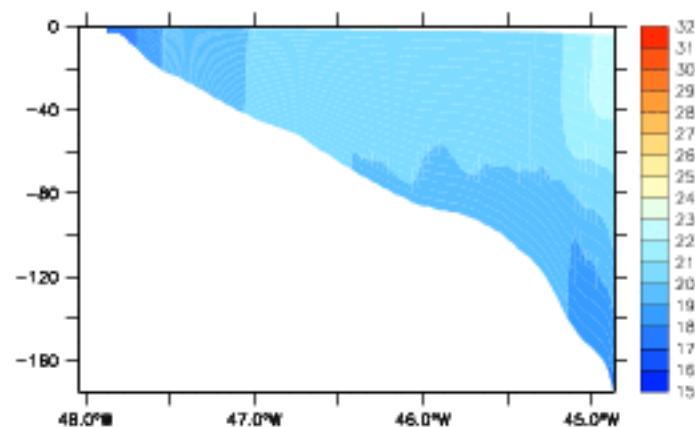
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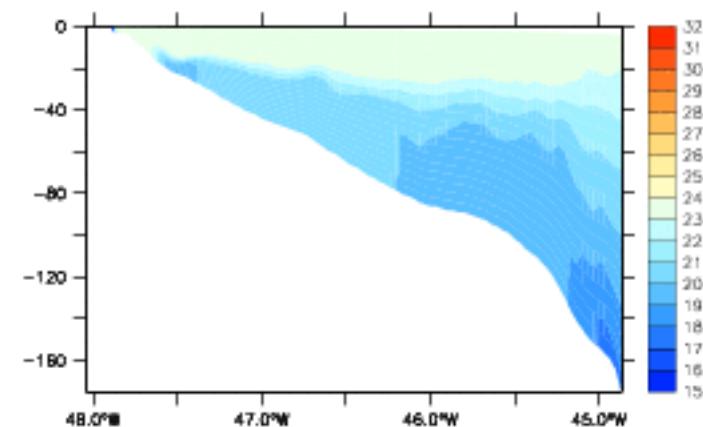
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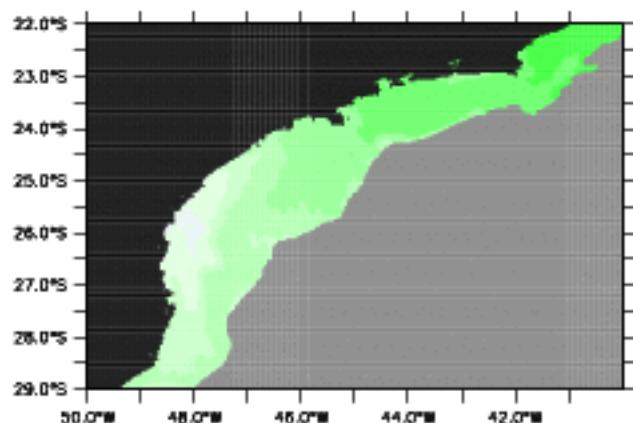


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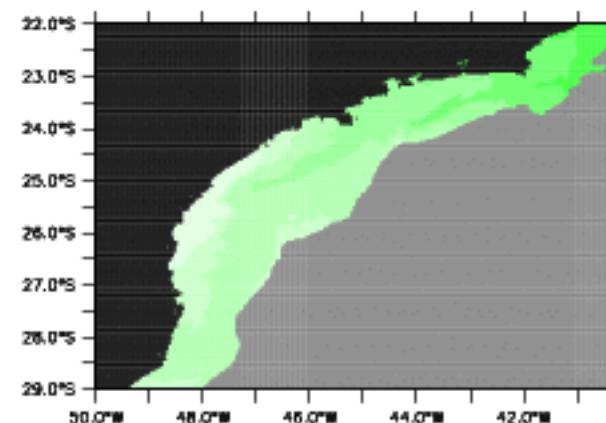


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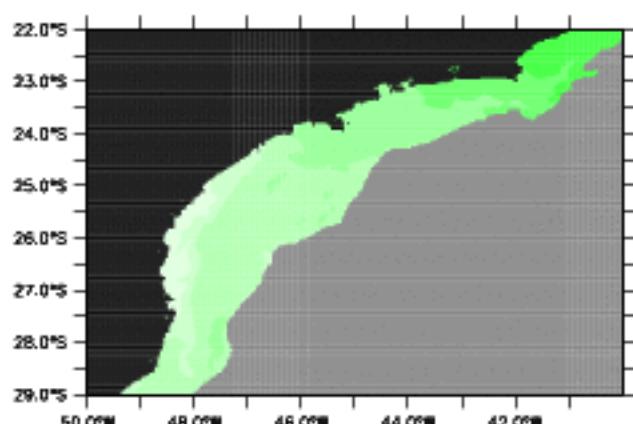
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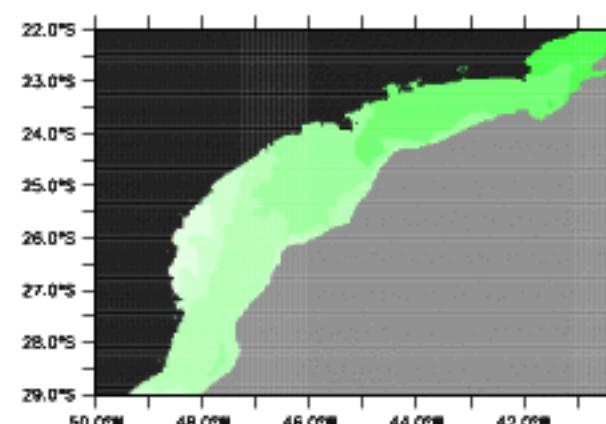
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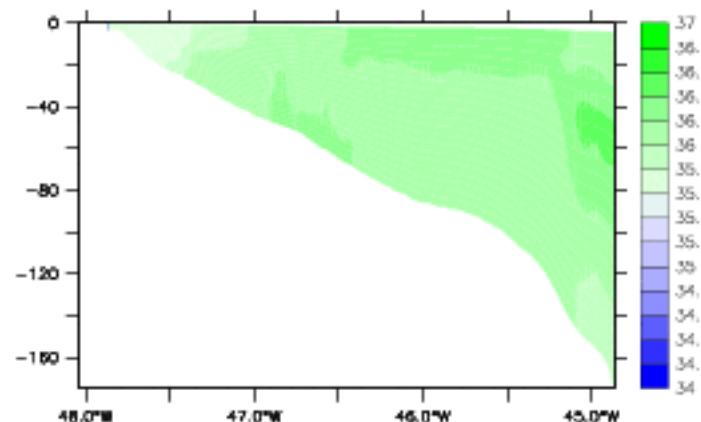


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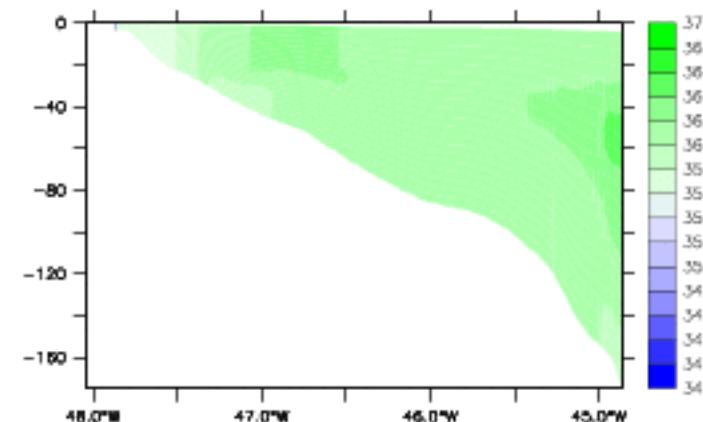


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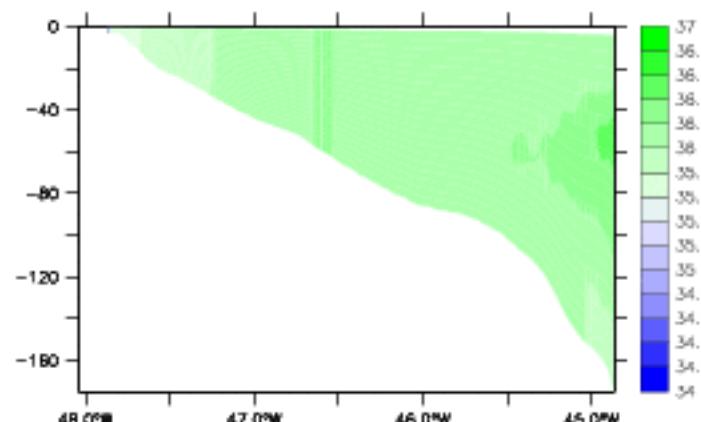
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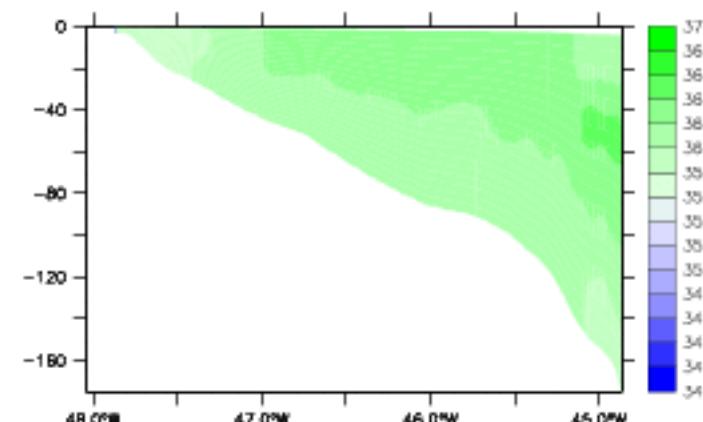
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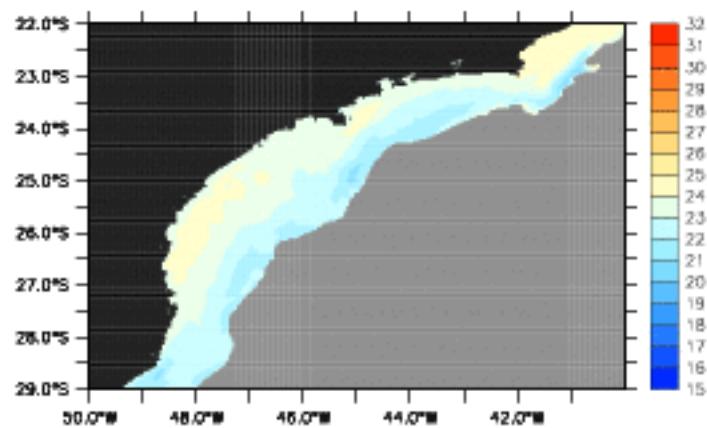


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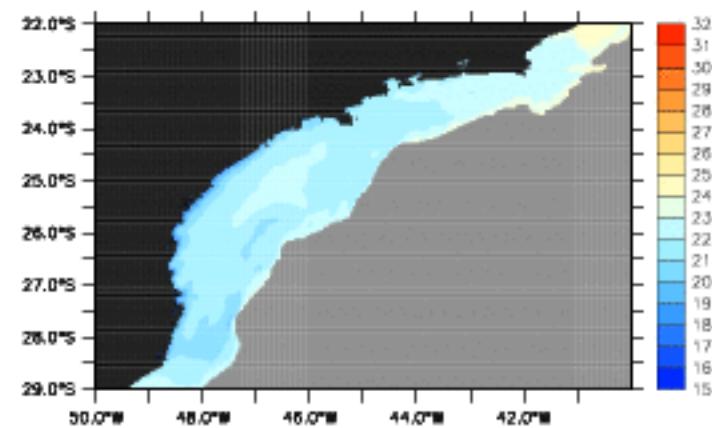


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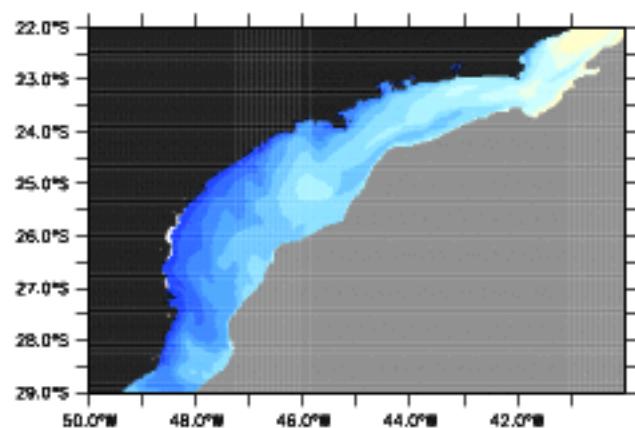
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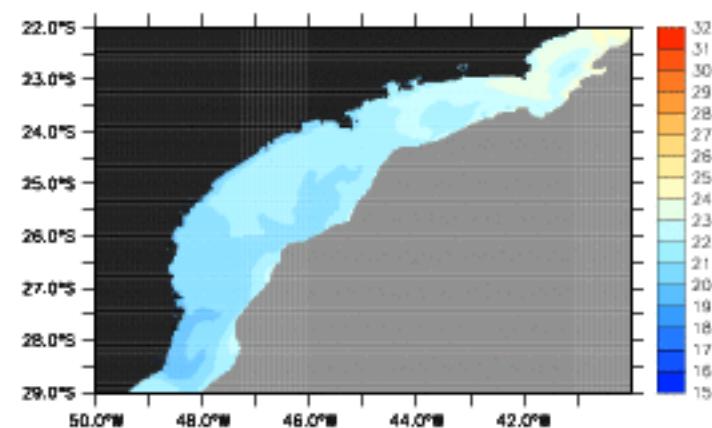
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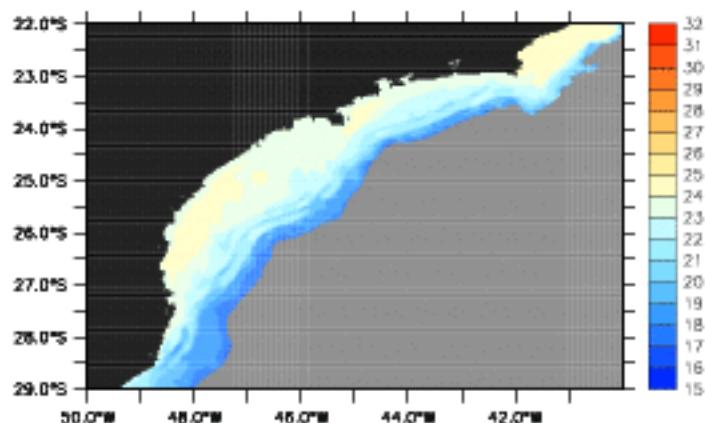


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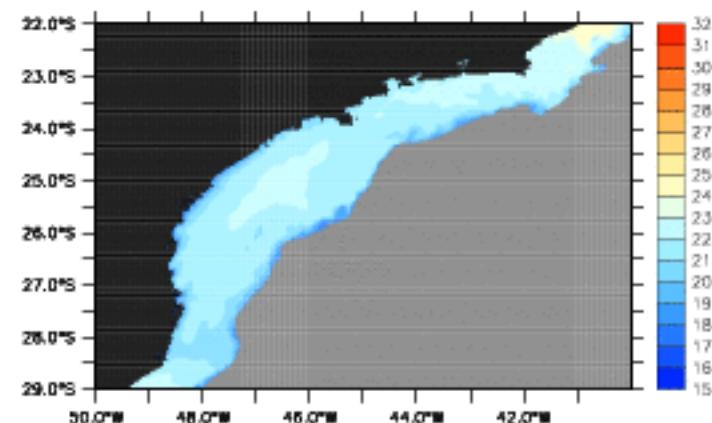


# Bottom Temperature - SBS-3d-g

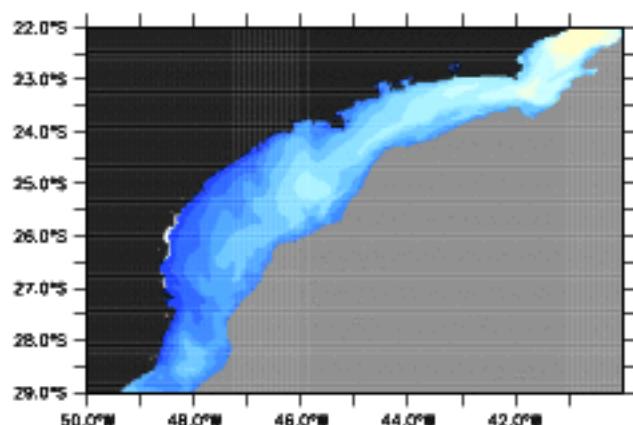
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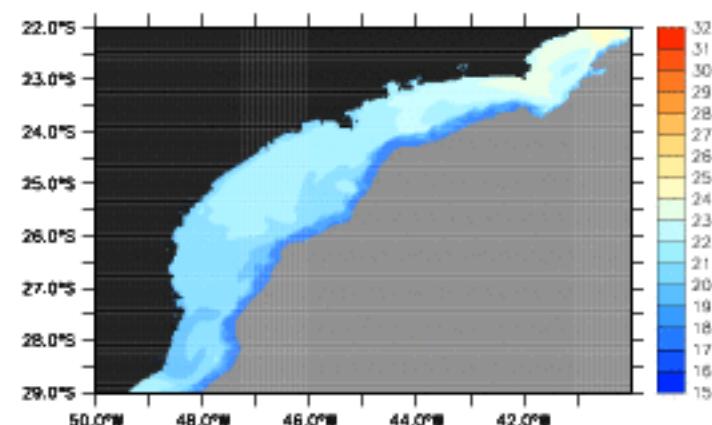
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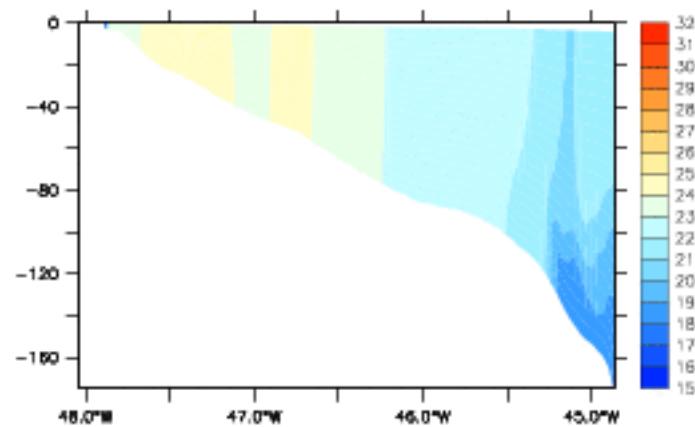


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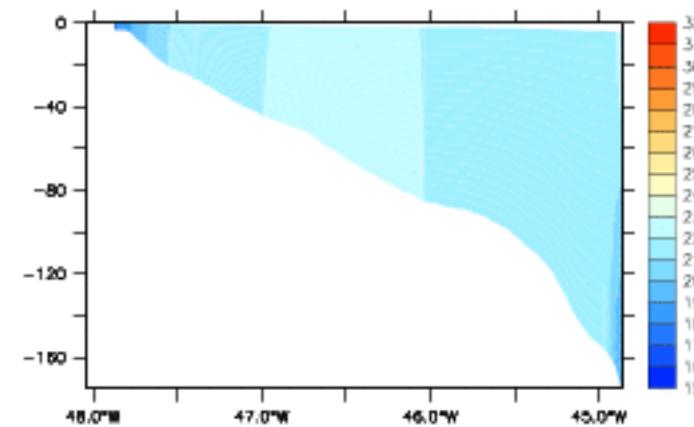


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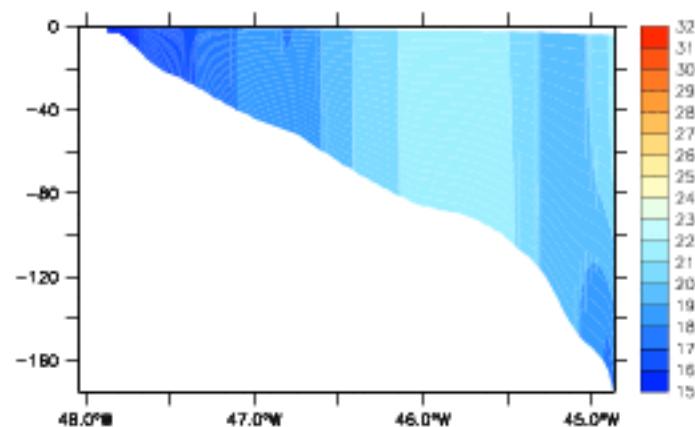
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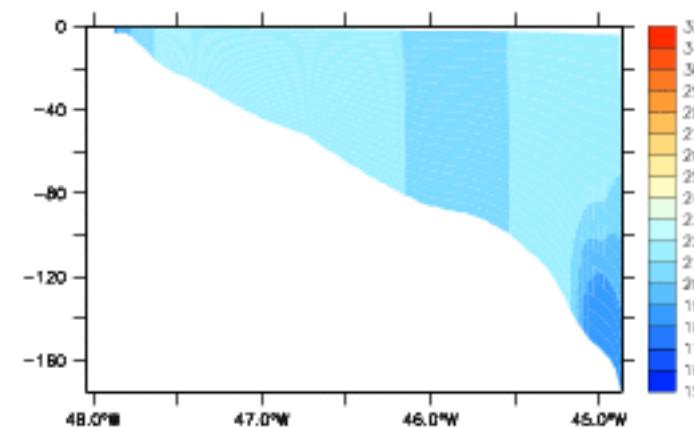
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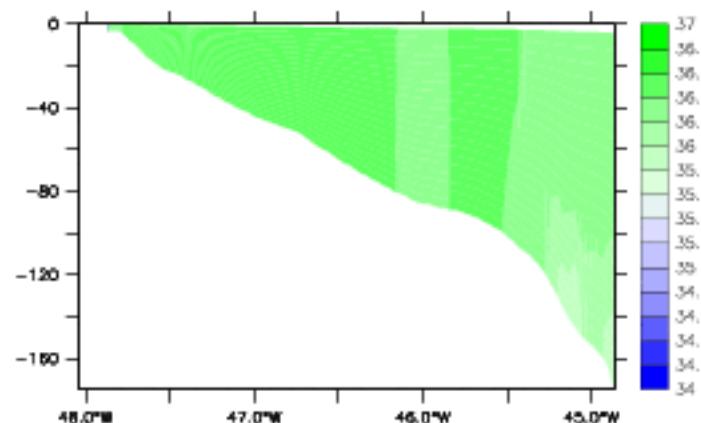


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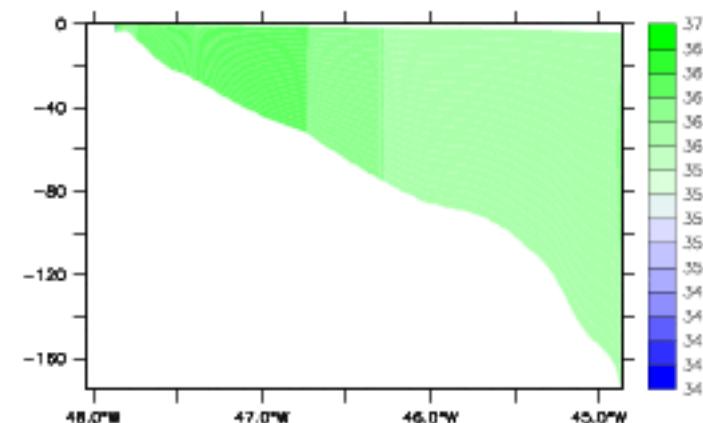


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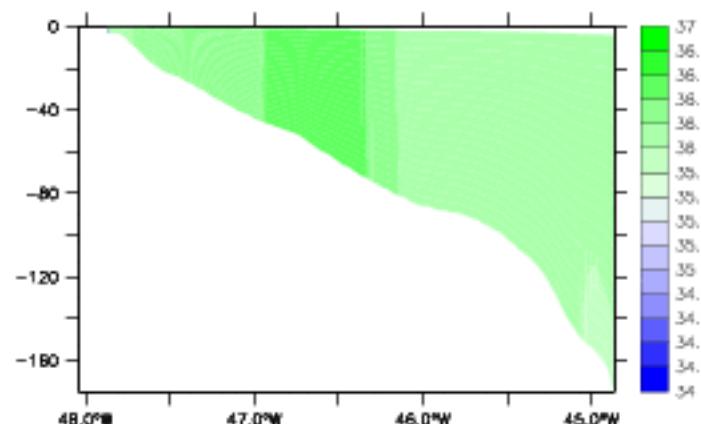
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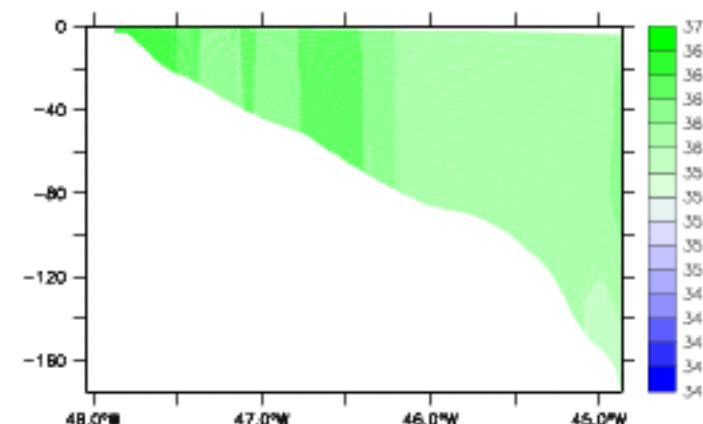
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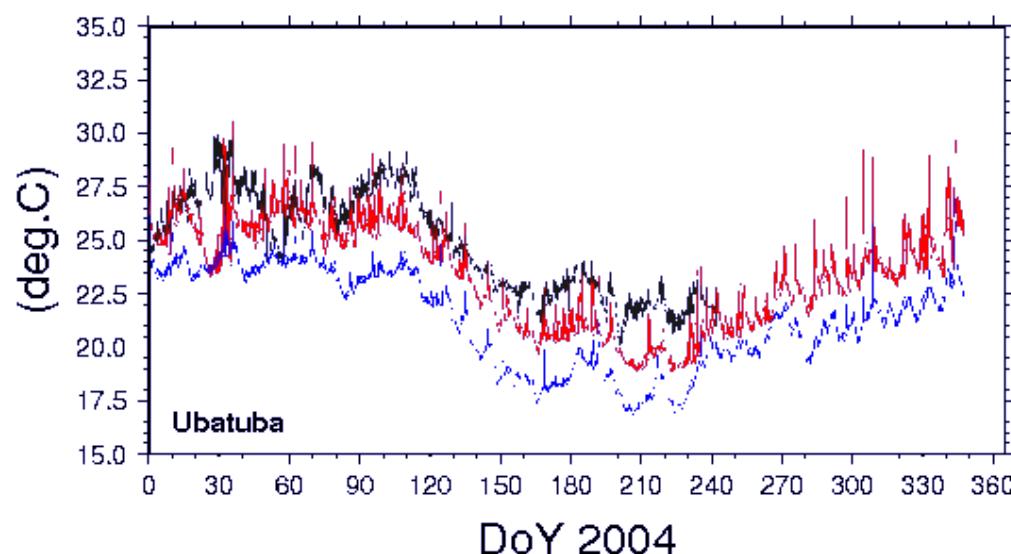
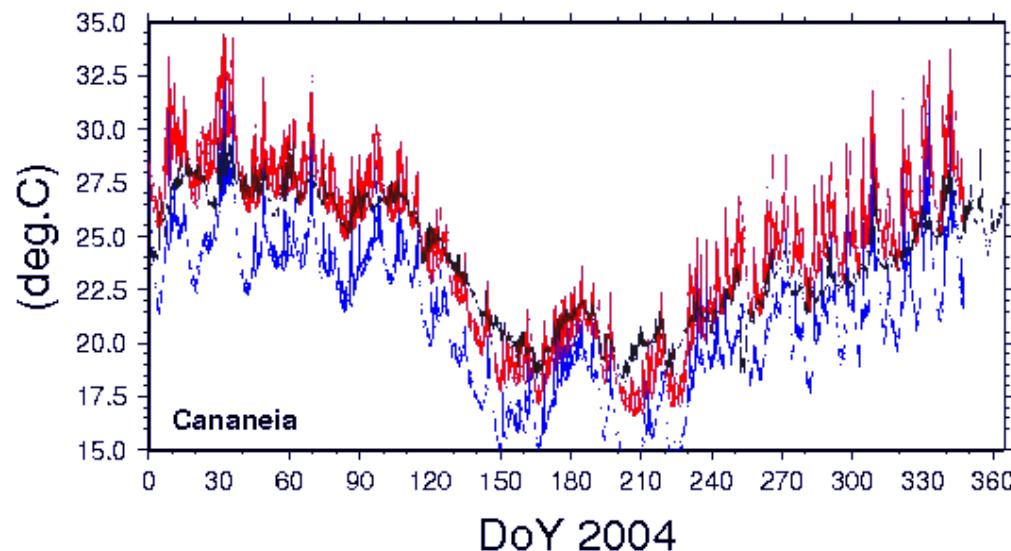


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# Sea-water temperature - 2004

## Cananeia and Ubatuba Stations



Data (black)  
SBS-3d-a (red)  
SBS-3d-g (blue)

# Conclusions

- Tides – sea-level and currents – are well simulated by COHERENS in the Southeastern Brazilian Shelf
- Atmospheric forcing field, mainly wind velocity, is not adequate to run an operational model of the Southeastern Brazilian Shelf
- Wind mixing is an important for T and S distribution
- Shelf edge currents ?