

# L'IA POUR RECONSTRUIRE DES SÉRIES LONGUES ET COMPRENDRE LA VARIABILITÉ BASSE FRÉQUENCE DE LA BIOMASSE PHYTOPLANCTONIQUE DANS L'OCÉAN GLOBAL

## ET COMPRÉHENSION DES MÉCANISMES SOUS JACENTS

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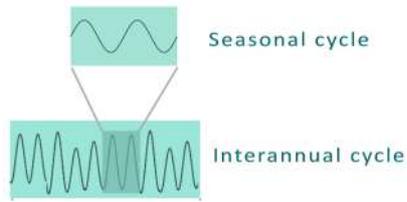
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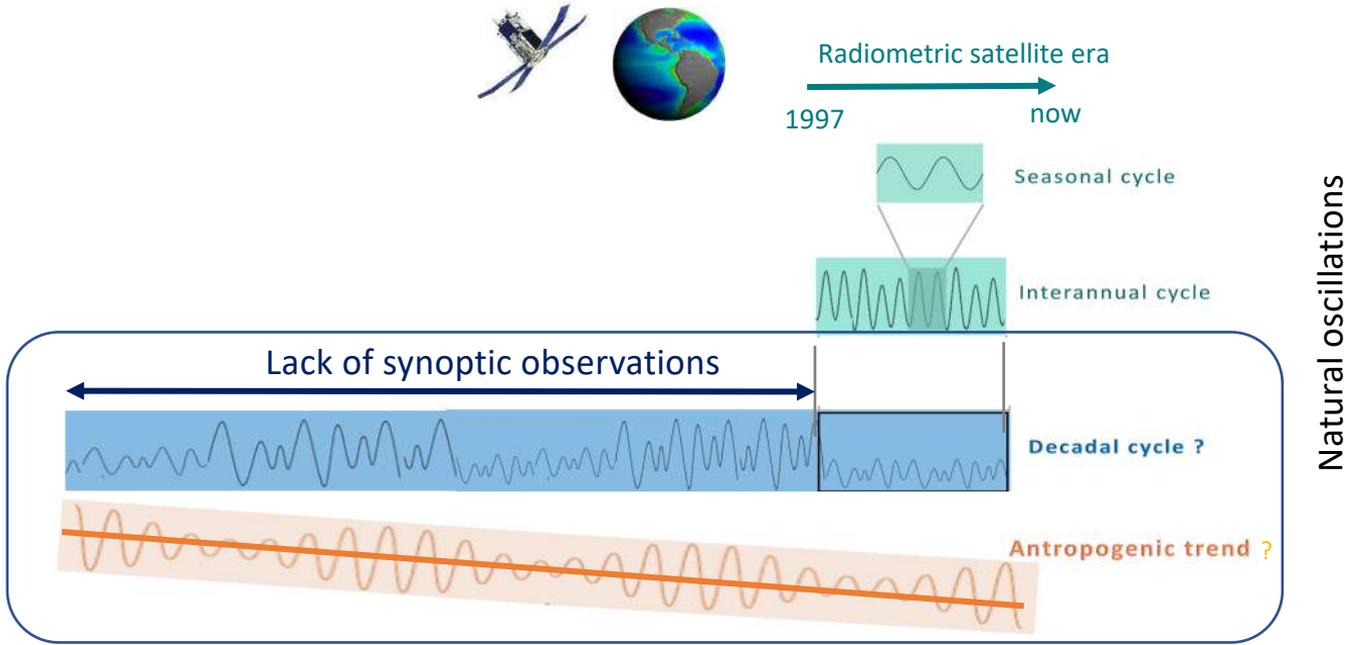


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1997 → now



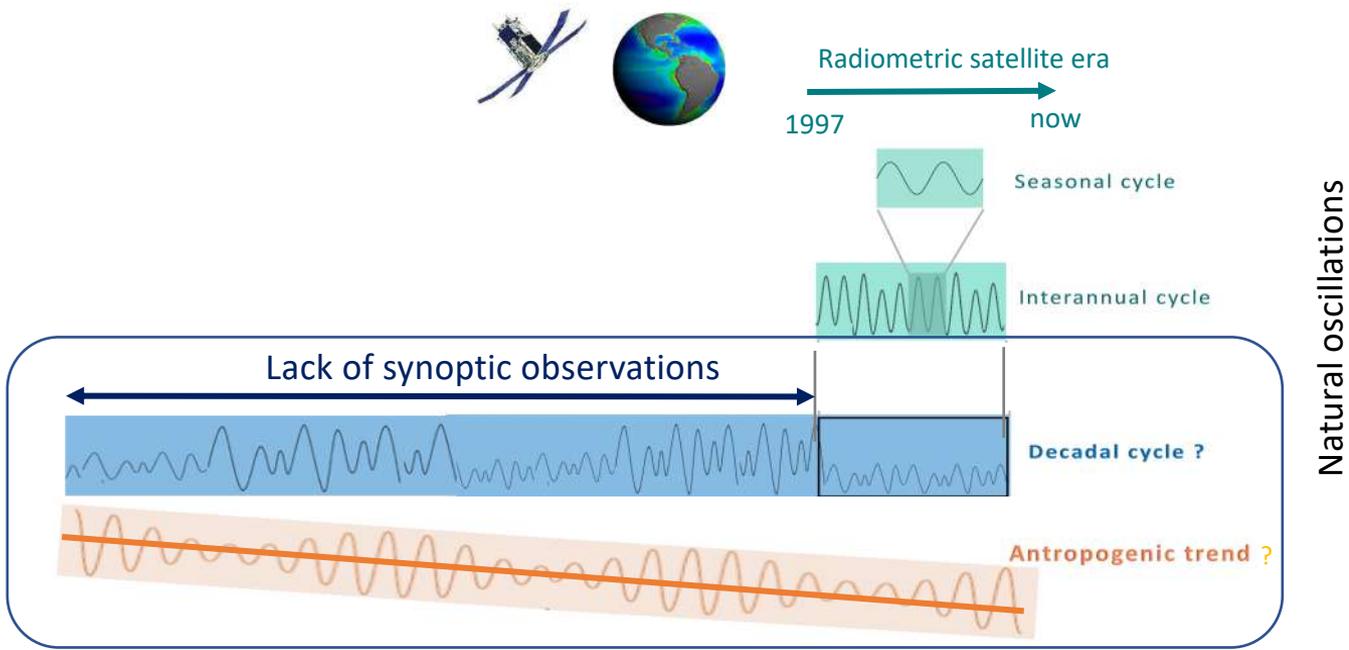
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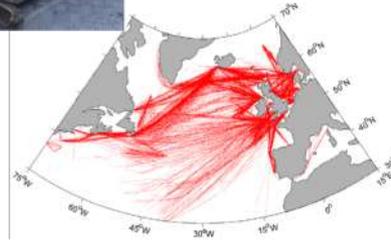
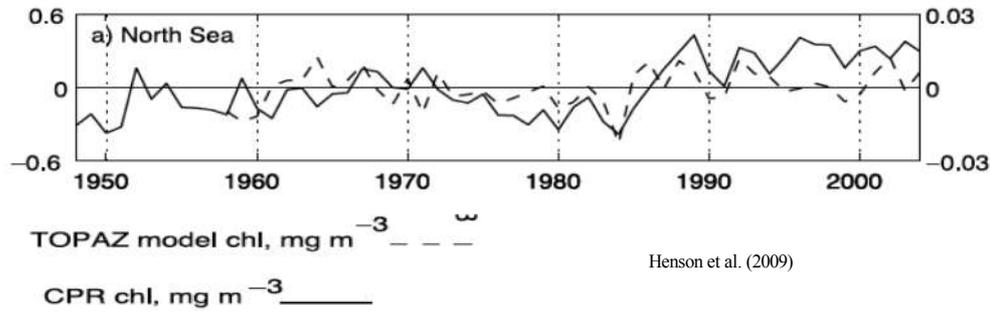


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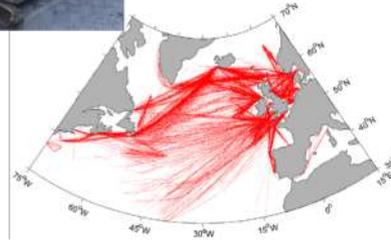
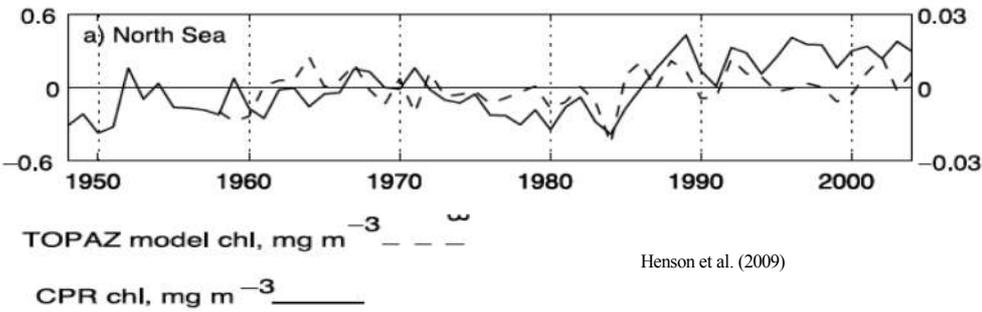
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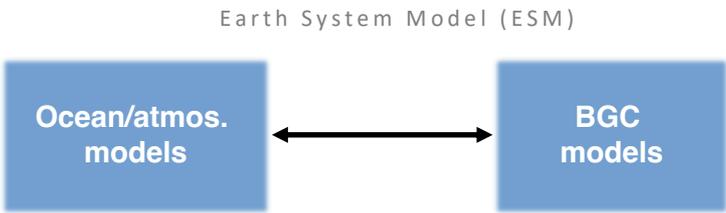
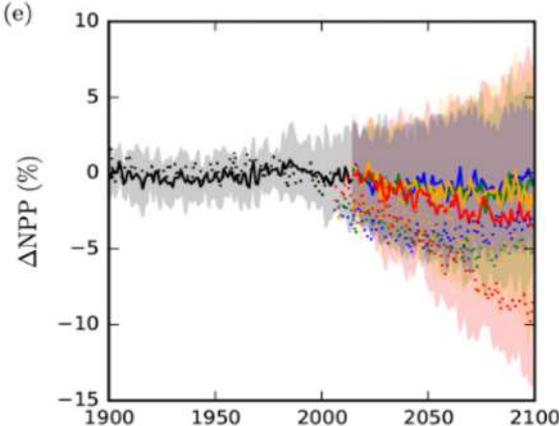
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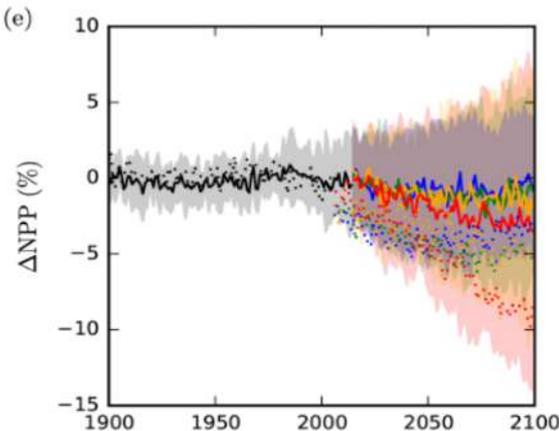
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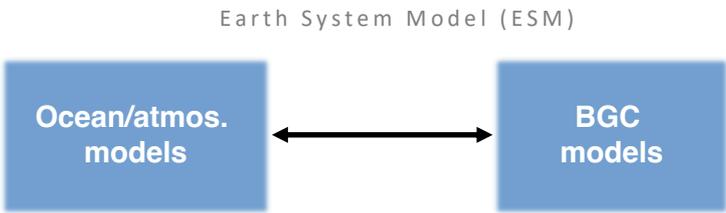


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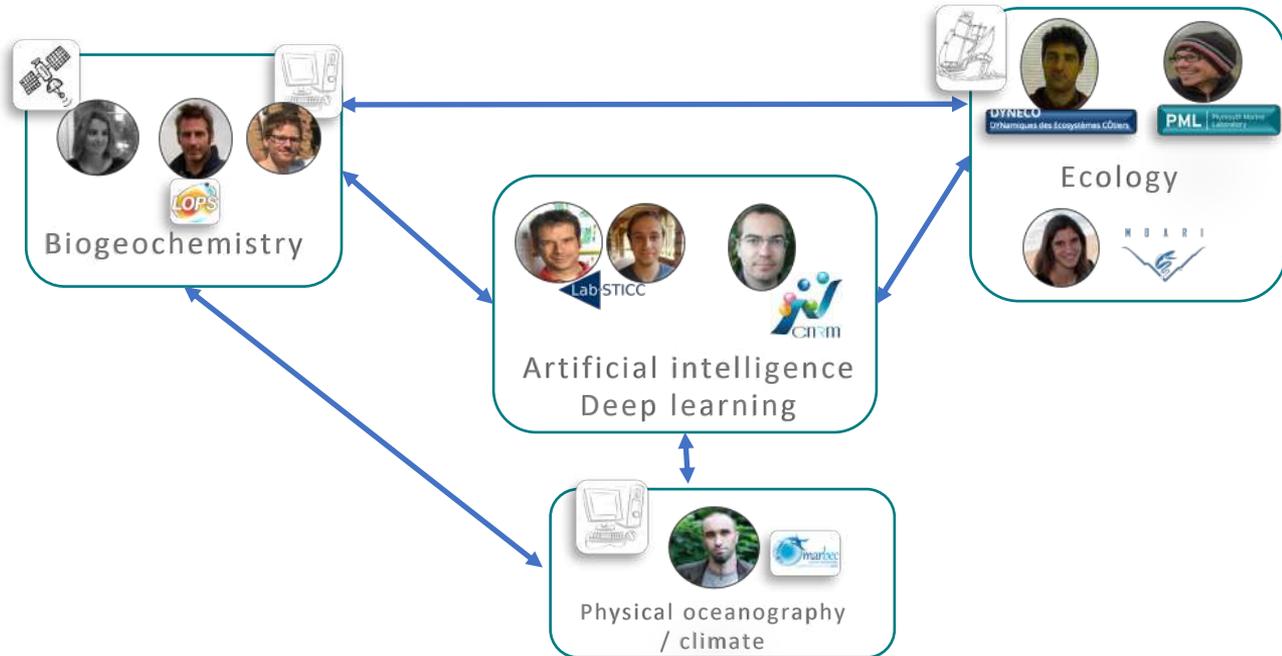


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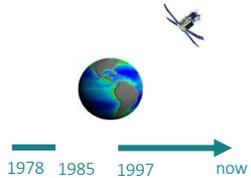


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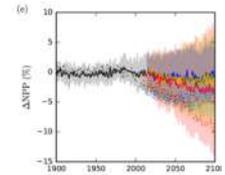
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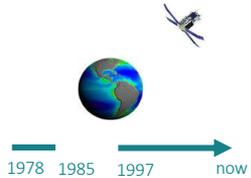
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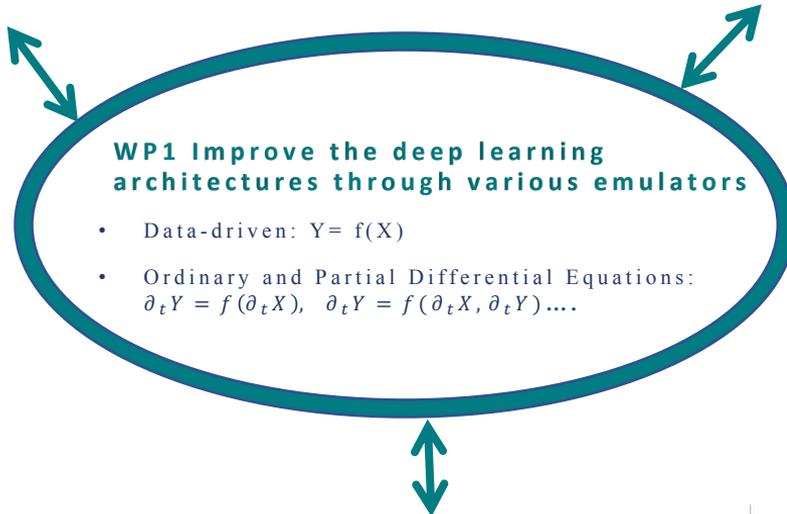
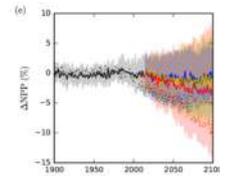
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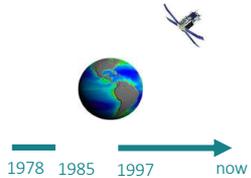
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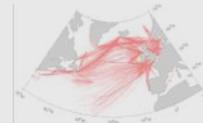


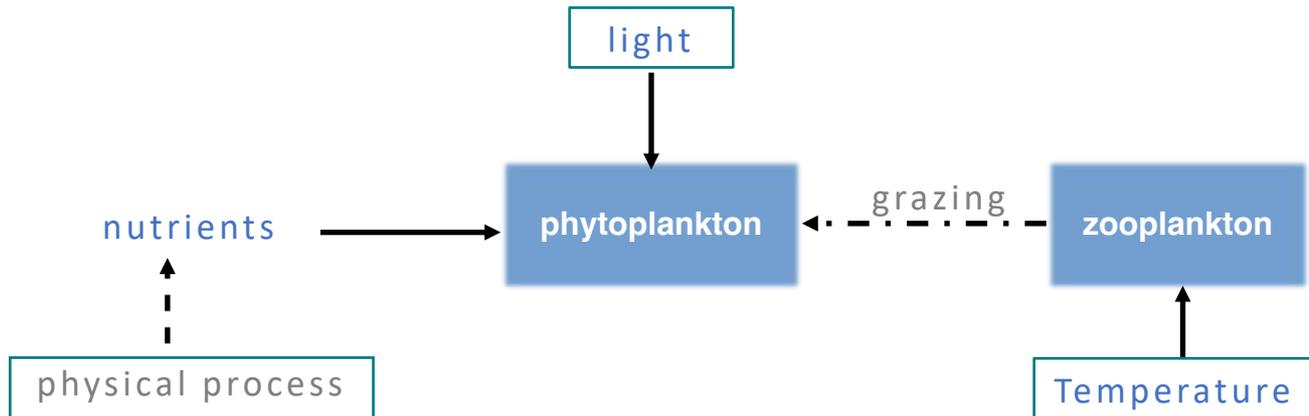
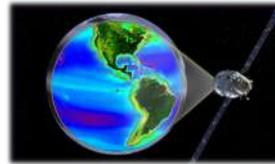
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- Data-driven:  $Y = f(X)$
- Ordinary and Partial Differential Equations:  $\partial_t Y = f(\partial_t X), \partial_t Y = f(\partial_t X, \partial_t Y) \dots$

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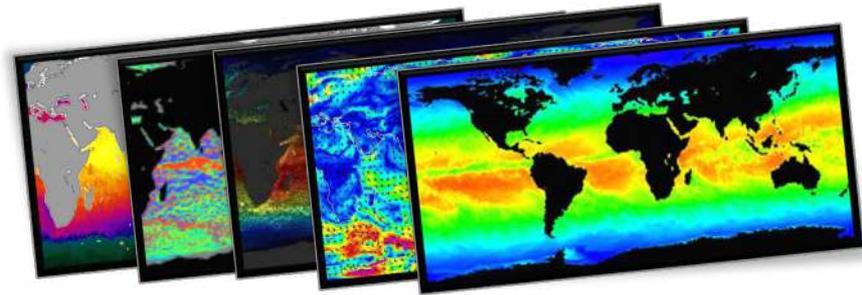




Hypothesis: physically driven at global scale

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geophysical predictors:



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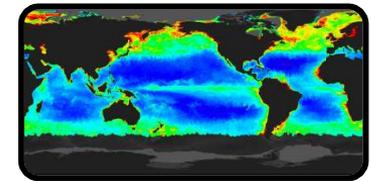
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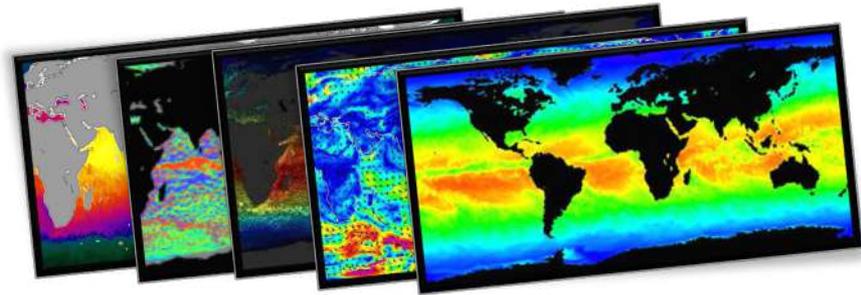


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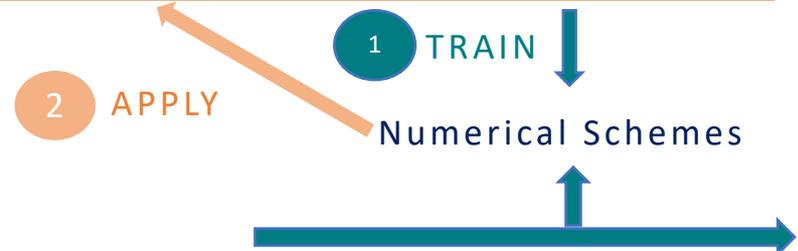
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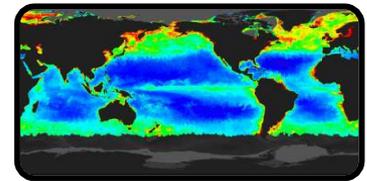


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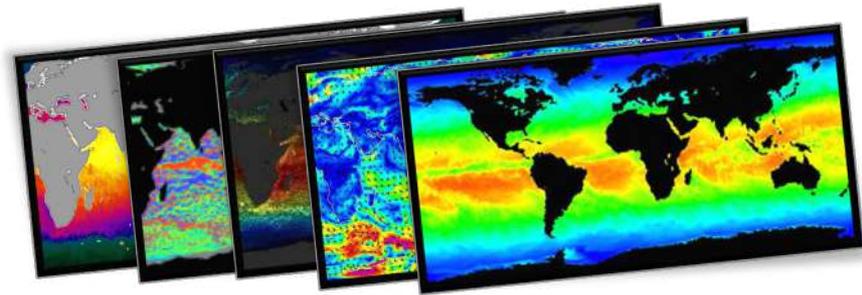


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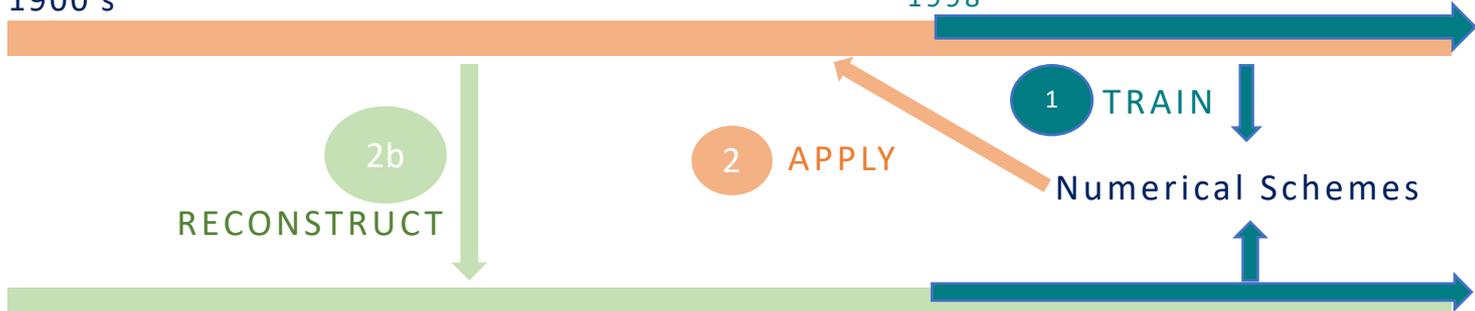
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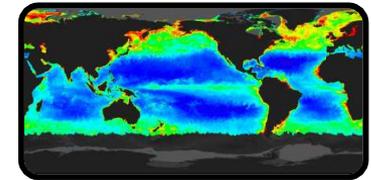
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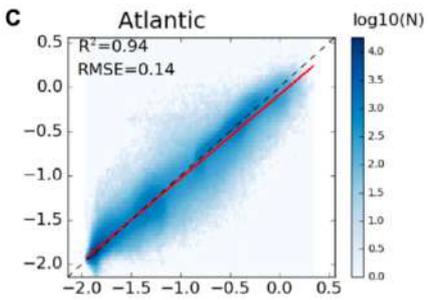
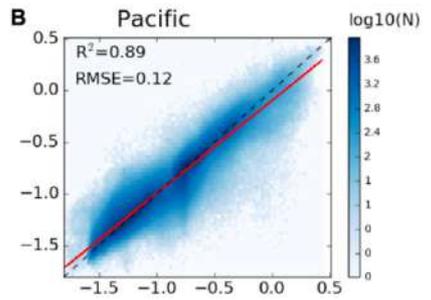
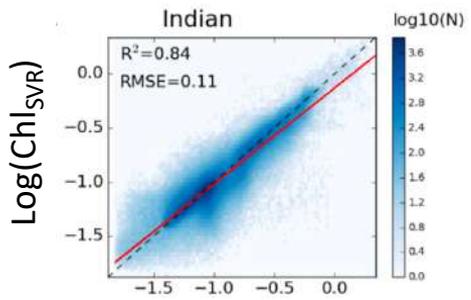
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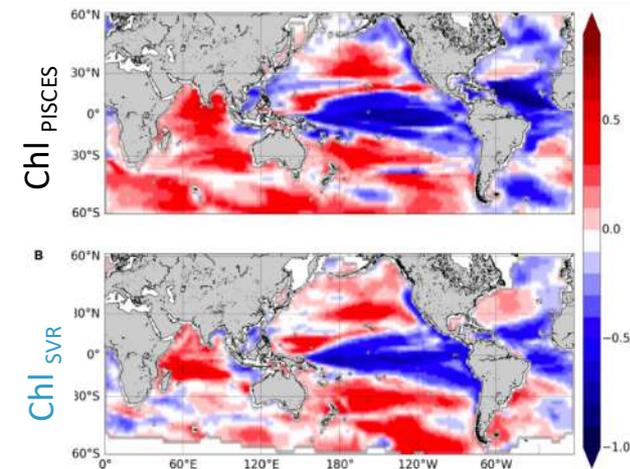
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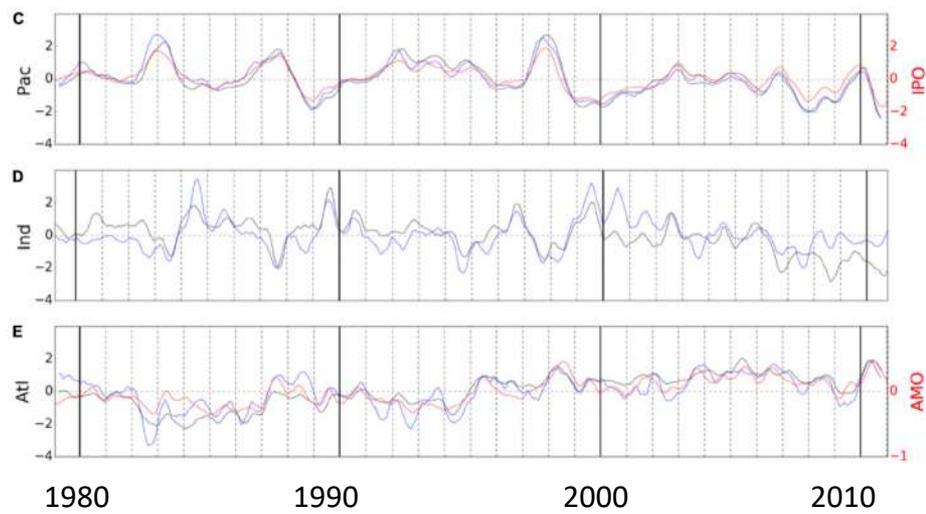
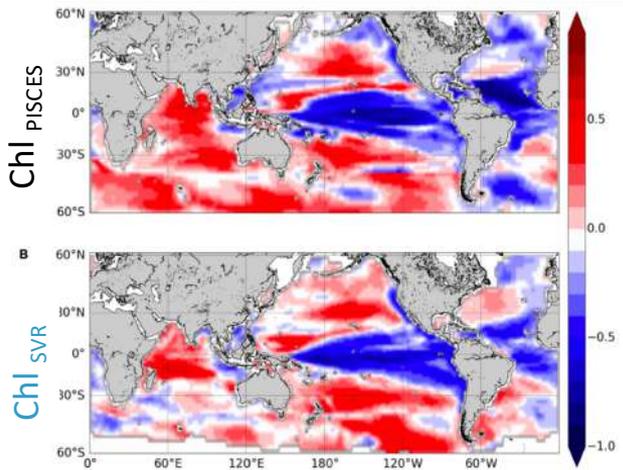
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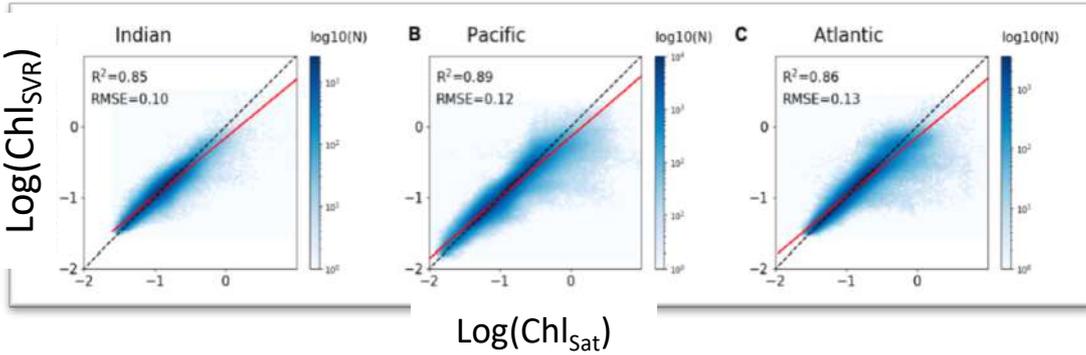


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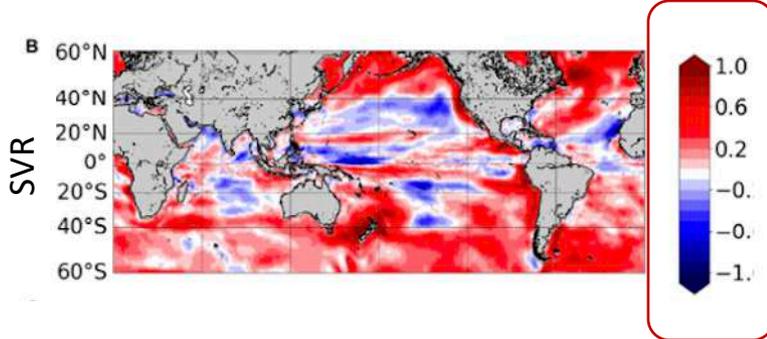
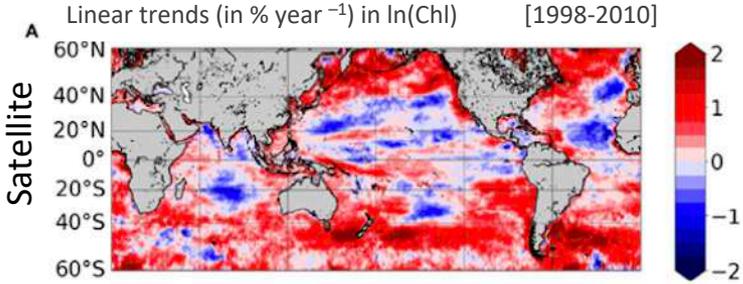
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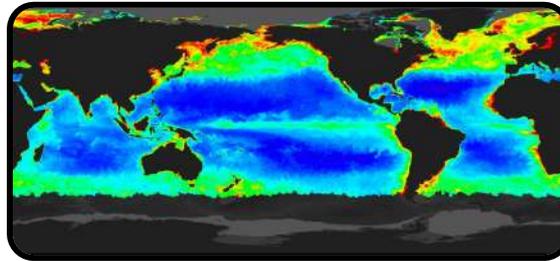
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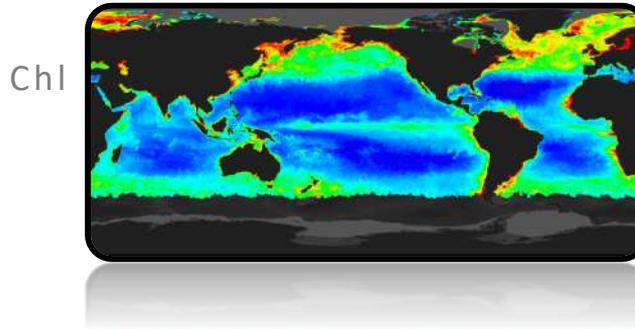
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### Multi-Layer Perceptron (MLP) vs. SVR:

- MLP slightly more skillfull than SVR (Chl underestimation & spatial biais remain)
- MLP reconstruction slighly improved when trained with 80% of the data
- MLP is less, but still sensitive to longitude, latitude, as predictors

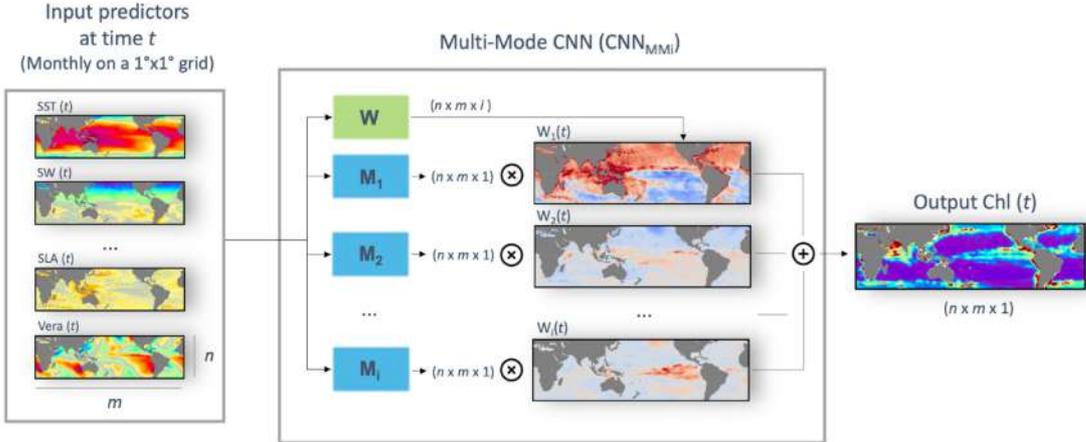
→ To overcome these limitations .....

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Predictors: from satellite obs & reanalysis

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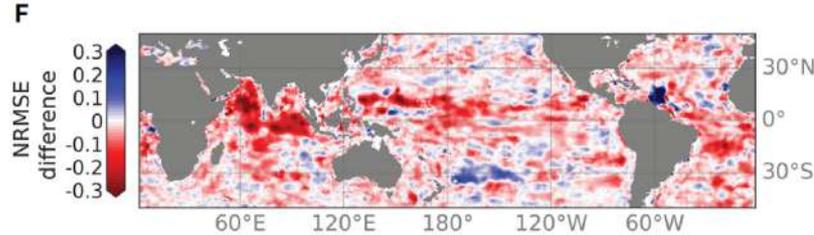
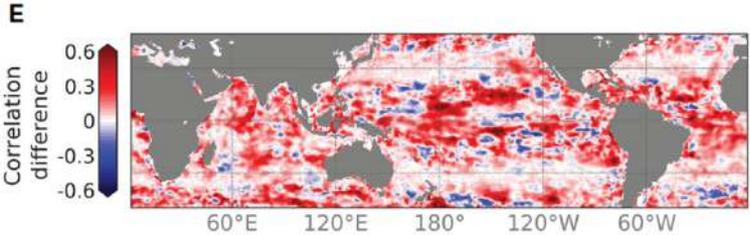
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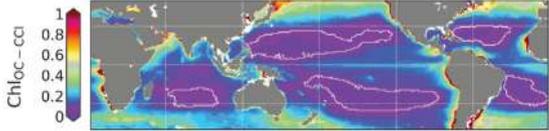
| Predictors                                 | Global scatterplot |             |             |             |
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|  | Model              | $R^2$       | RMSE        | Slope       |
| 9 (+ bathymetry + continental binary mask) | CNN <sub>1</sub>   | 0.84        | 0.31        | 0.85        |
|  | CNN <sub>MM8</sub> | <b>0.87</b> | <b>0.28</b> | <b>0.90</b> |

Difference CNN<sub>MM8</sub> vs. CNN<sub>1</sub> when compared to satellite Chl



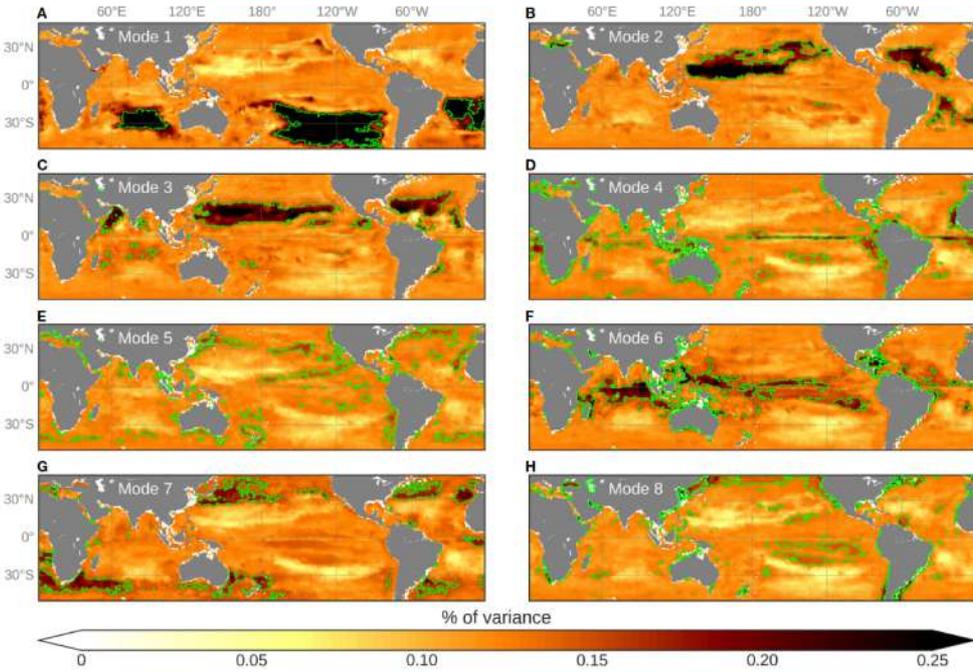
Modes of CNN<sub>MM8</sub> can regionally learn specific phytoplankton responses to the physical forcing  
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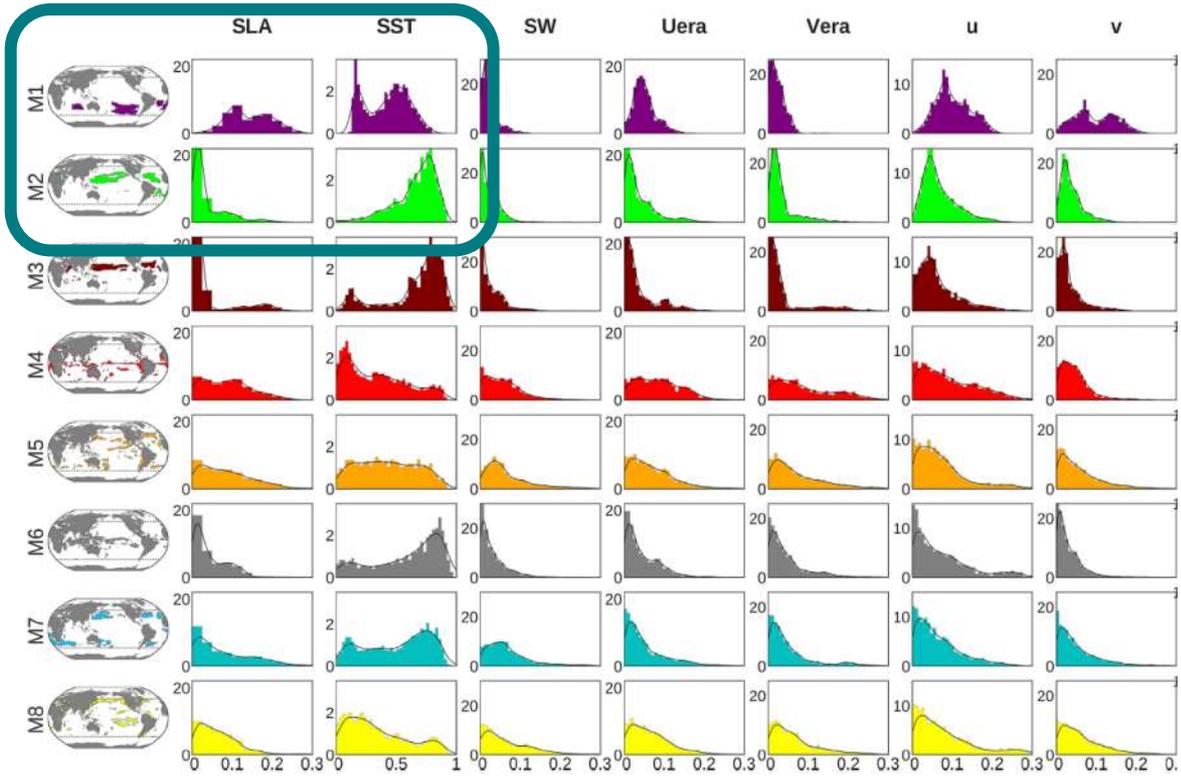
Consistent and relevant regions appear

Percentage of variance explained by each 8 modes of  $CNN_{MM8}$ . Isolines of percentile-90 of the values are superposed in green.



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Normalized distribution (y-axis) of the relative importance of the 7 physical predictors (x-axis) computed over the percentile-90 area for each mode.



NB: the scale on the x-axis is homogeneous across all the variables but SST.

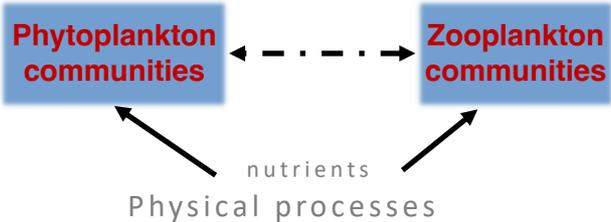
## Key features from the « usual architecture » :

- CNN, ConvLSTM, **U-Net (the best one)**
- Still Chl amplitude underestimation
  - difficulties to reproduce the seasonal and inter-annual extrema

## Ongoing work (Mahima Lakra post doc. IMT) :

- Sequence to sequence (forecasting):  $\partial_t Y = f(\partial_t X)$ ,  $\partial_t Y = f(\partial_t X, \partial_t Y) \dots$
- architecture « de type operateur neuronaux » , e.g. Fourier operators (FourCastNet)

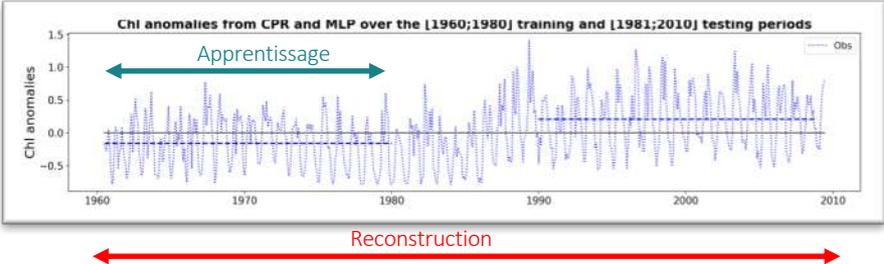
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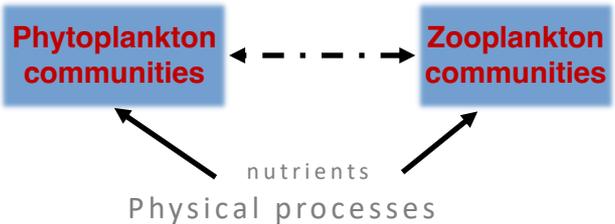
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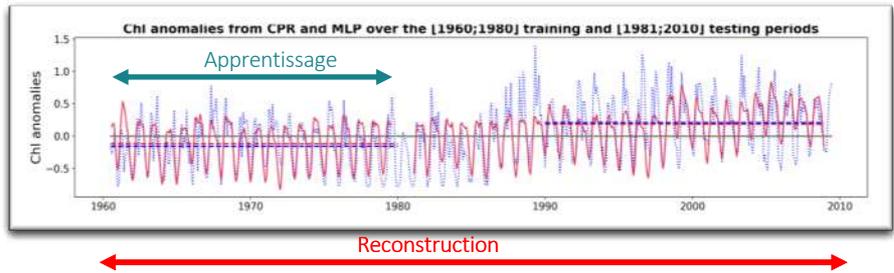
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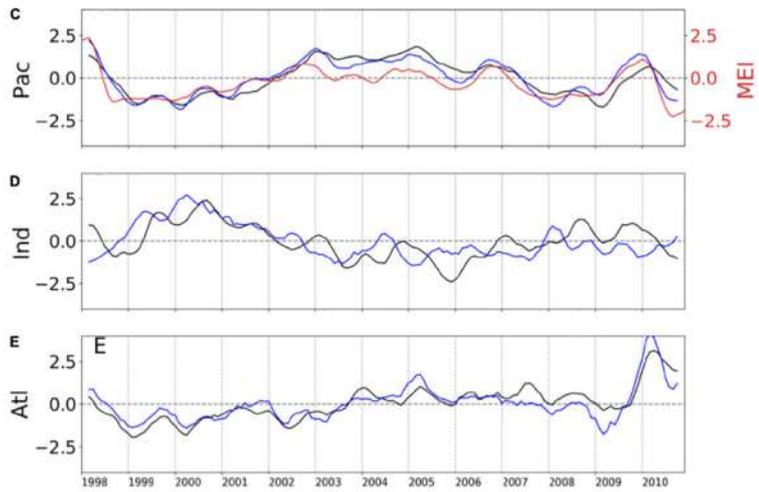
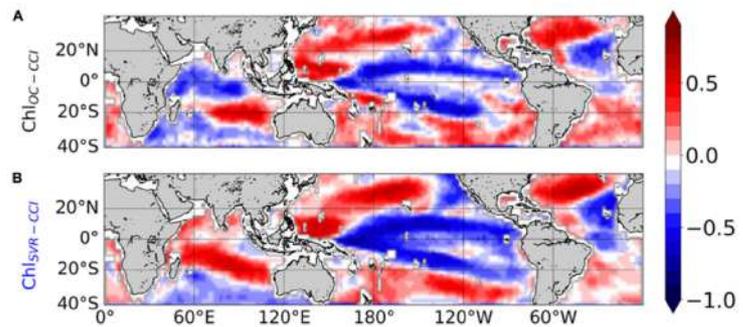
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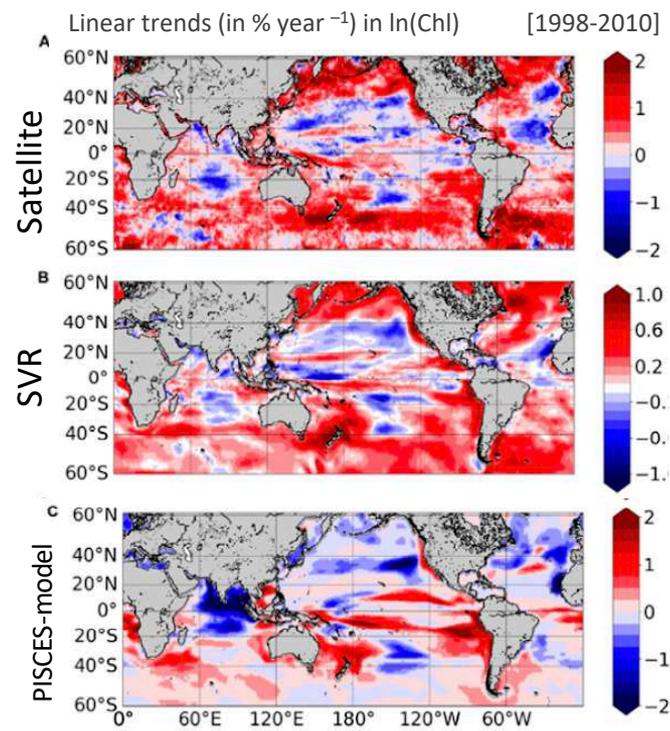
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SVR      NEMO-PISCES model      Satellite (OC-CCI)      1998-2010

Training: 7% randomly  
 Validation: 93%



Same physics from the  
 numerical model  
 NEMO

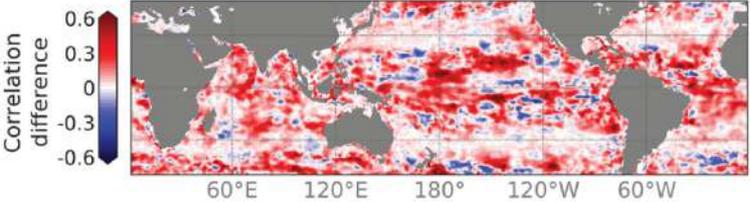
# D) Getting insights into physical processes (multi-mode CNN)

Test 2012-2015:

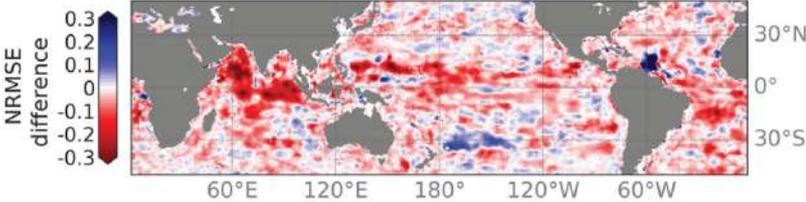
| Predictors                                 | Global scatterplot |             |             | Corr. Seas. PC | Corr. Inter. PC | N param     | Time computation |       |
|--|--------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------|------------------|-------|
|  | Model              | $R^2$       | RMSE        |                |                 |             |                  | Slope |
| 9 (+ bathymetry + continental binary mask) | CNN <sub>1</sub>   | 0.84        | 0.31        | 0.85           | 0.99            | 0.95        | 99 457           | 4h54  |
|  | CNN <sub>MM8</sub> | <b>0.87</b> | <b>0.28</b> | <b>0.90</b>    | <b>1.00</b>     | <b>0.96</b> | 803 920          | 39h   |

Difference CNN<sub>MM8</sub> vs. CNN<sub>1</sub> when compared to satellite Chl

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Modes of CNN<sub>MM8</sub> can regionally learn specific phytoplankton responses to the physical forcing  
 → better capture some regional processes than CNN<sub>1</sub>