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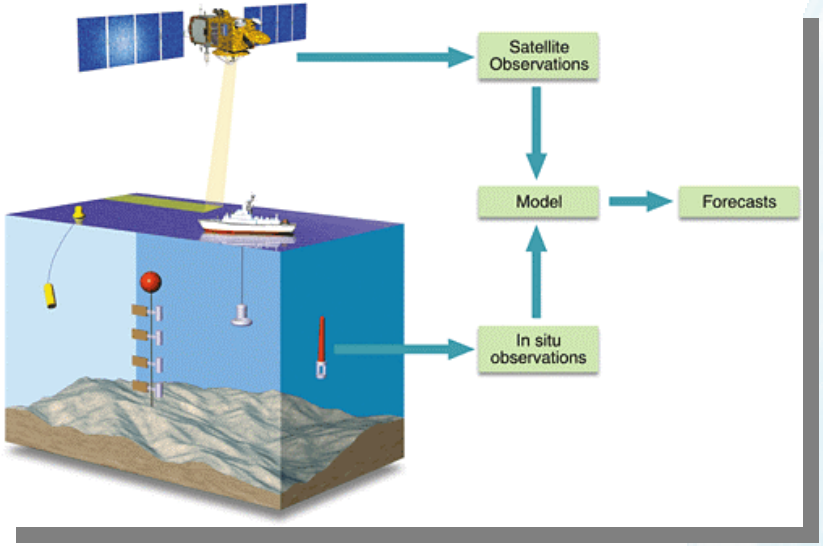

- French Project : 6 major organizations
- Operational Oceanography

- *Analyse and predict the global ocean, in real time, from top to bottom*
- Based on modelling and data assimilation (both satellite and in situ)

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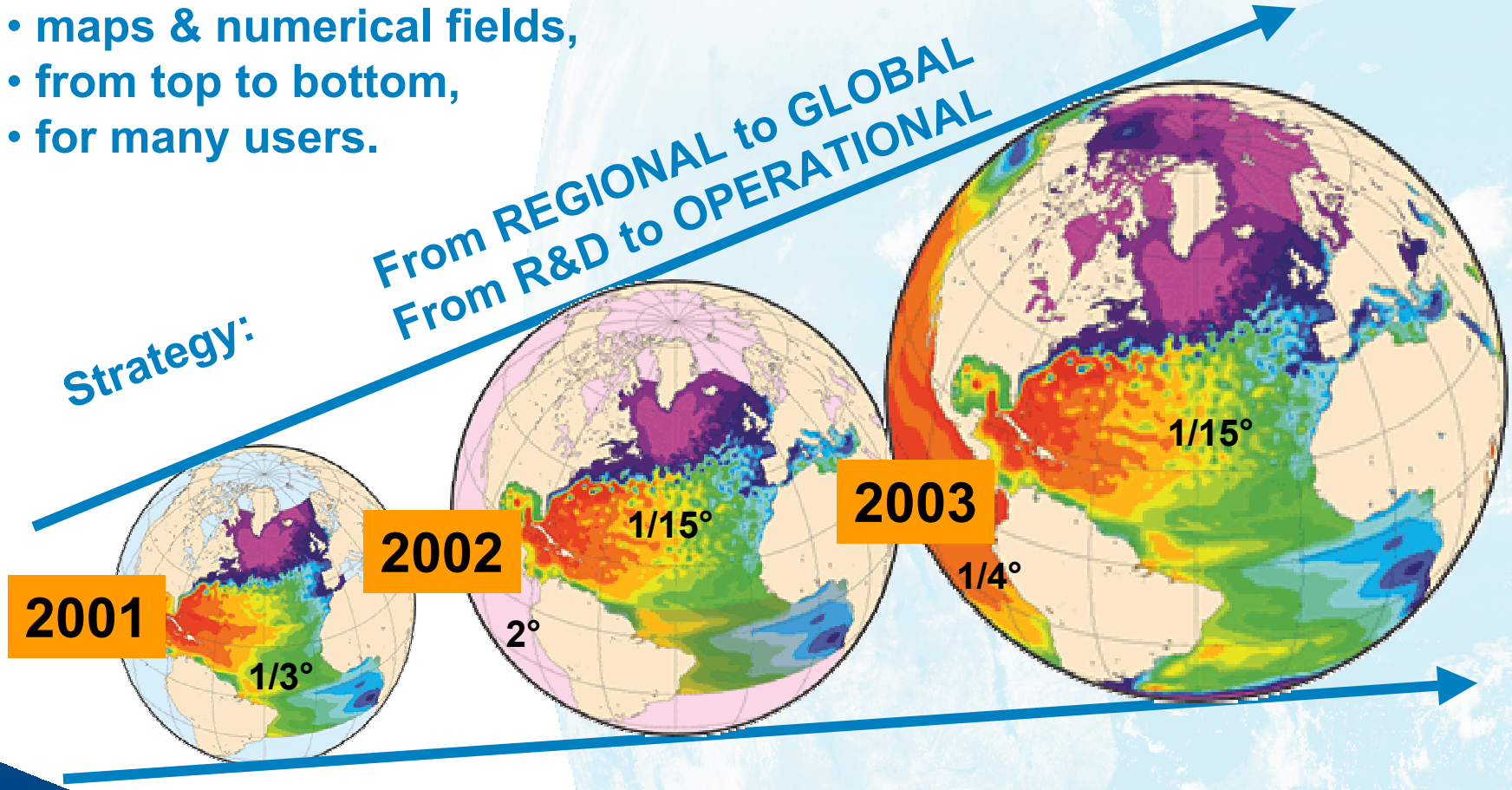
MERCATOR-Ocean in a few words...

- Every week since January 17, 2001:
  - analysis,
  - 2 weeks of daily forecasts,
  - maps & numerical fields,
  - from top to bottom,
  - for many users.



MERCATOR-Ocean system

3 components

SATELLITE observations

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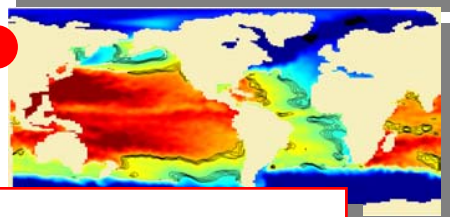
MODELISATION ASSIMILATION



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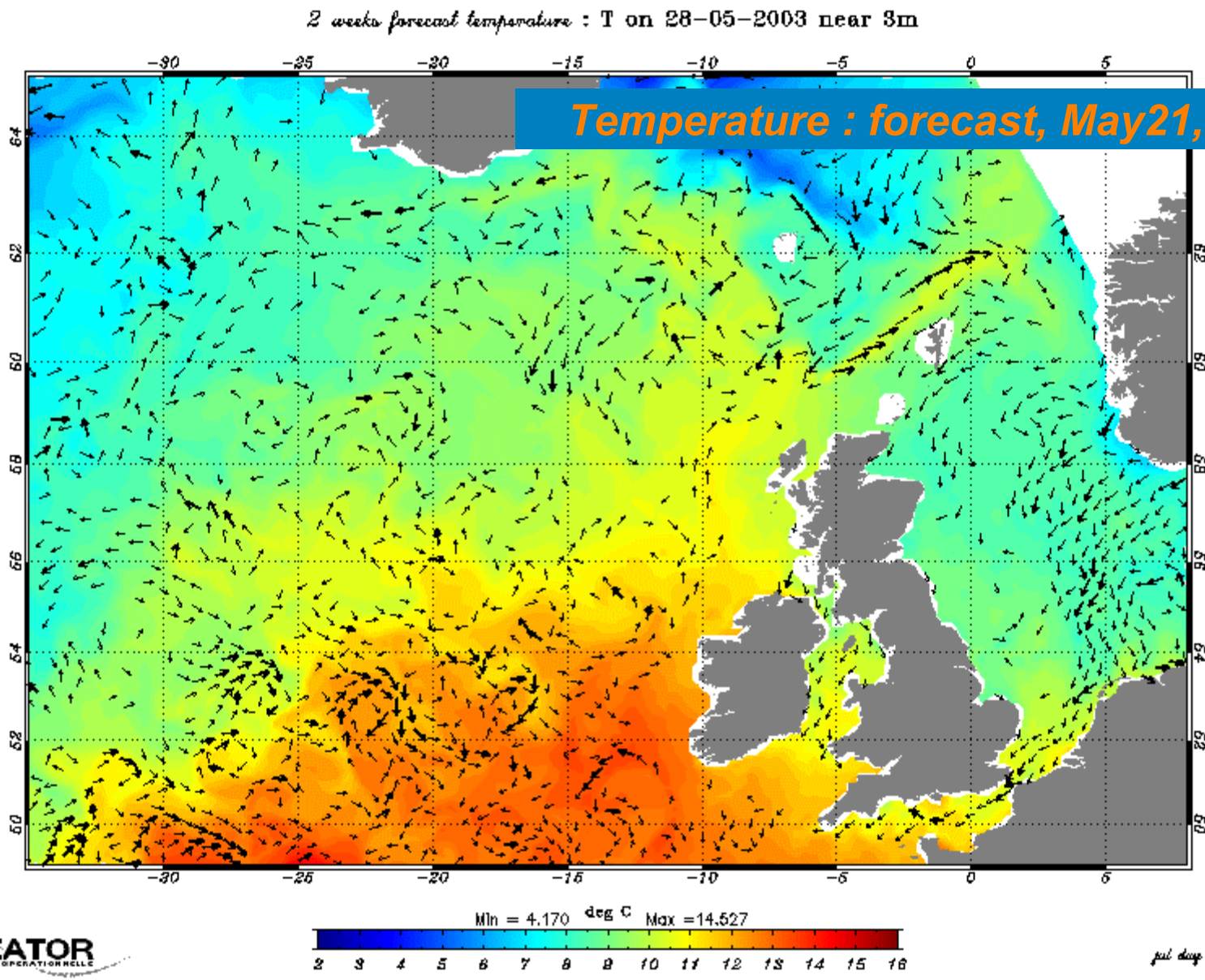
MERCATOR-Ocean products



Temperature : forecast, May21, 2003

MERCATOR-Ocean numerical products

- Numerical outputs available every Thursday
- 3D fields : U, V, T, Z and optionally Kz (to be discussed)
- 2D fields : 19 variables (forcing, …)
- Mercator projection, netcdf format
- PSY1v2 : 1/3° in one file, Summer 2003
- PSY2 : 1/6° Atlantic, 1/8° Mediterranée, June 2003
- Possible extractions operated by MERCATOR-Ocean people
- Distribution process to be set before end of 2003
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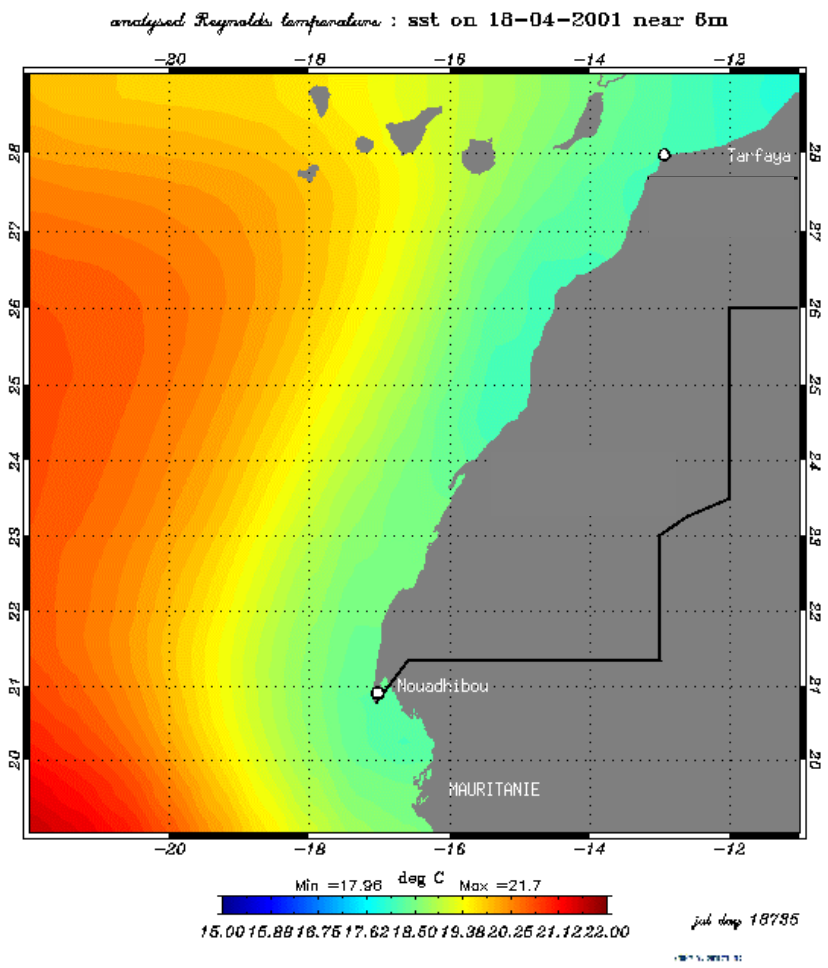
Modeling Coastal Upwellings

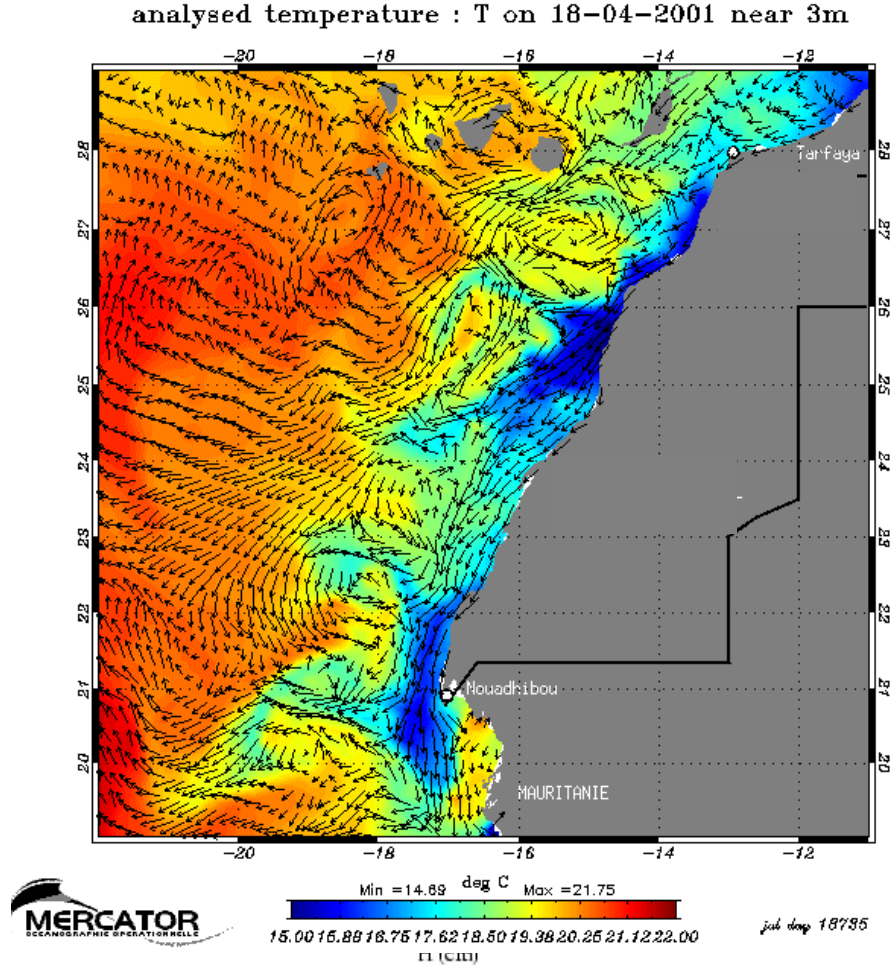
Western African Coast - 18 April 2001

MERCATOR Models Sea Surface Temperature and Currents

Assimilation of Topex/Poseidon and ERS-2 Altimeter Data into

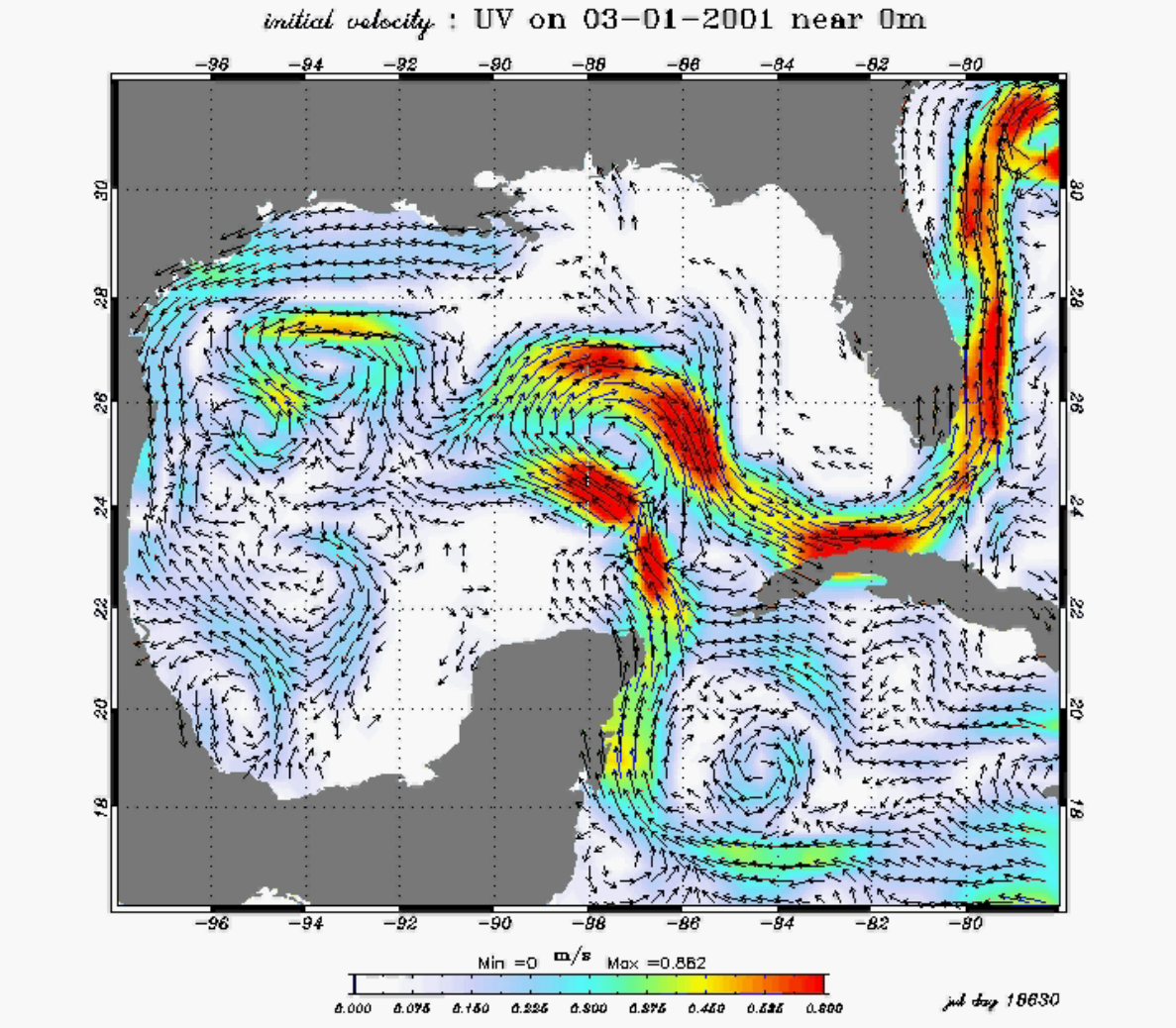
The 1/15° Mercator model





Eddies in the Gulf of Mexico

Surface currents data



Meddies in Eastern Atlantic

Salinity data at 900 m