

# Ingesting Data to Ecosystem and Machine-Learning Models

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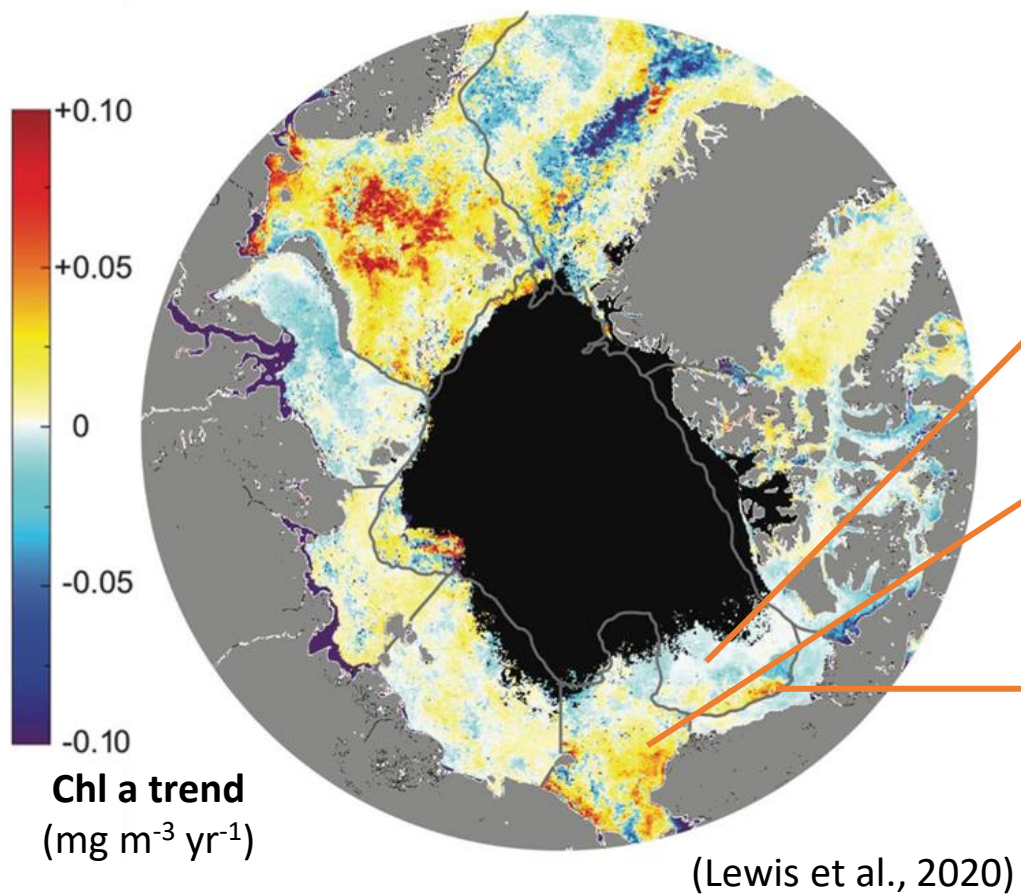
## Outline:

- **Background**
- **Data for Modeling** (what data do we need? How do we use data?)
- **Case Studies**
- **Synthesis Papers**

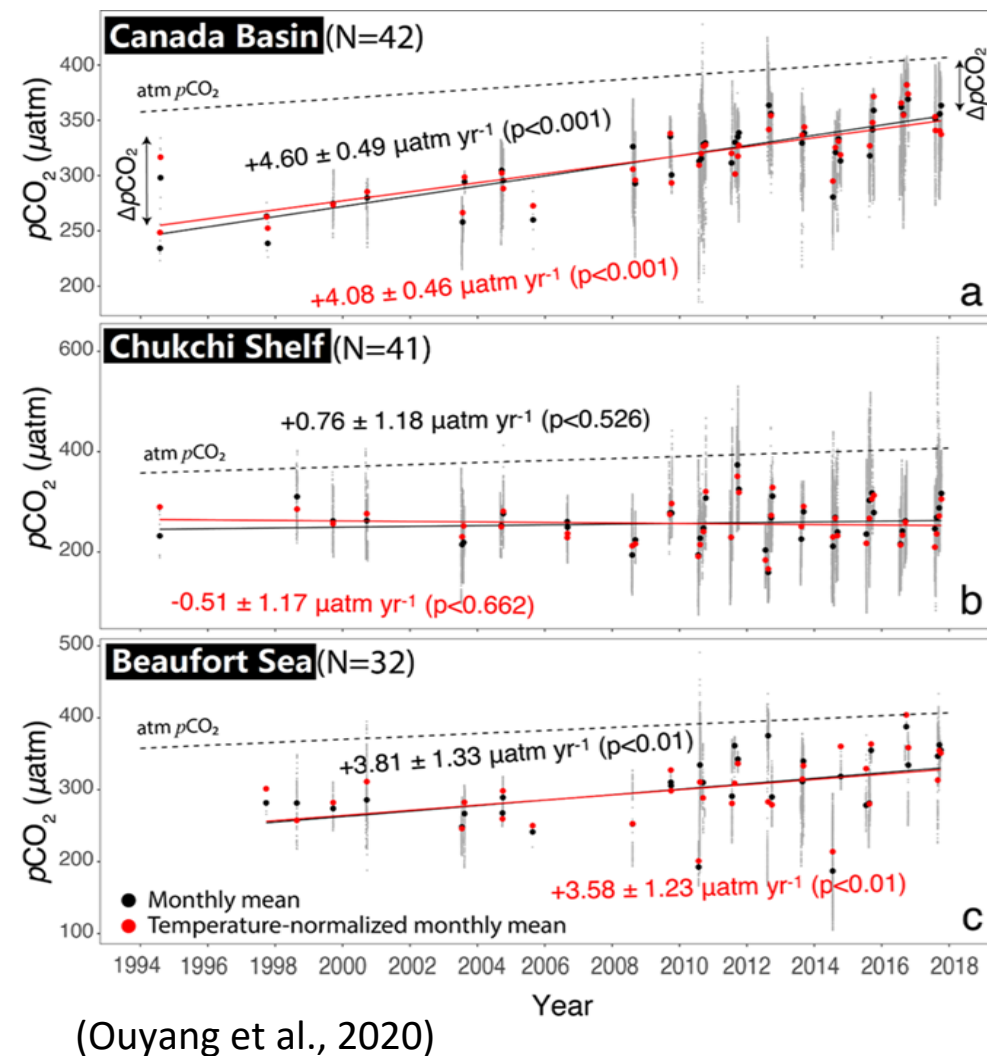


# Background

Significant long-term increase of Chl a  
in most part of the western AO

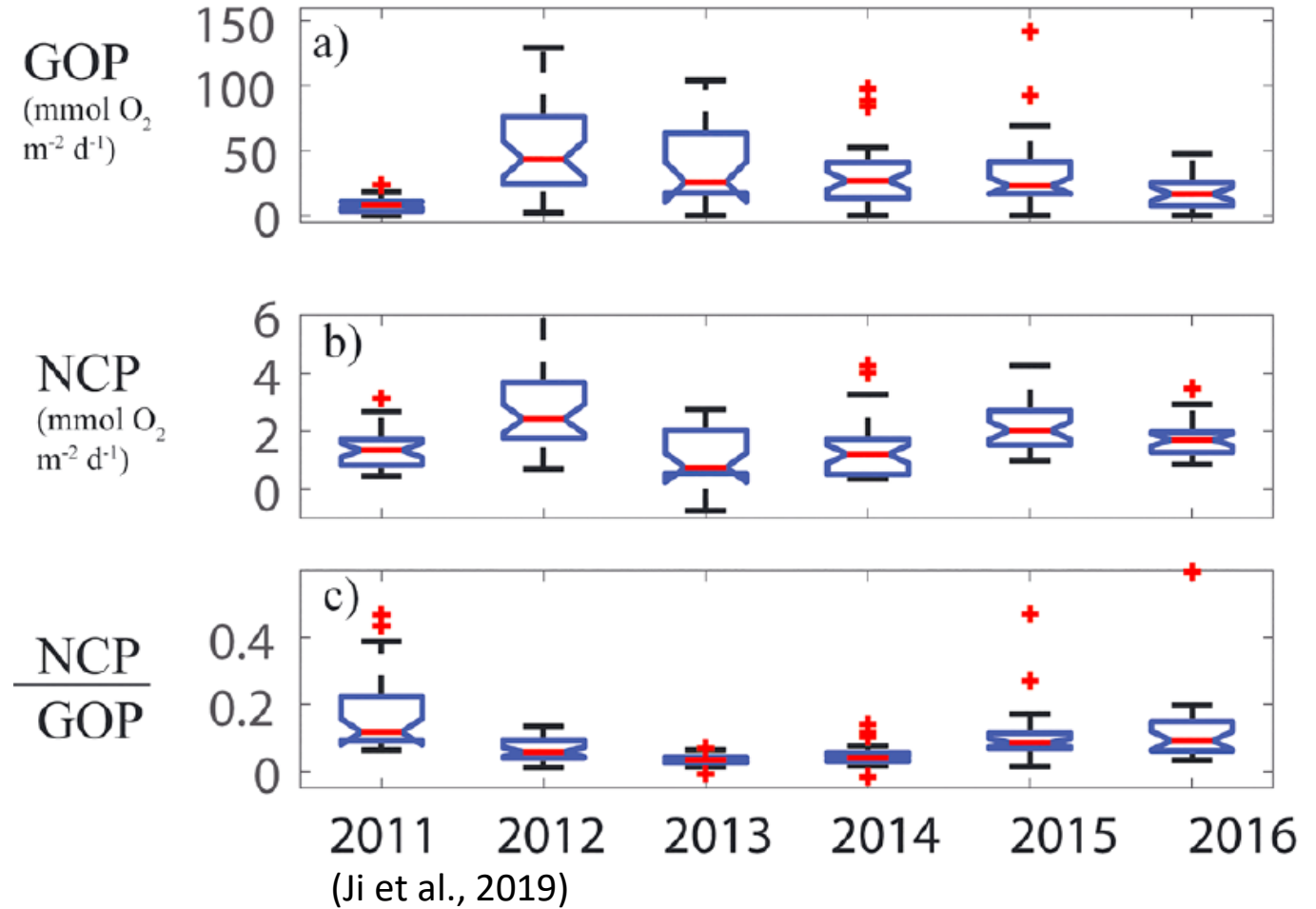
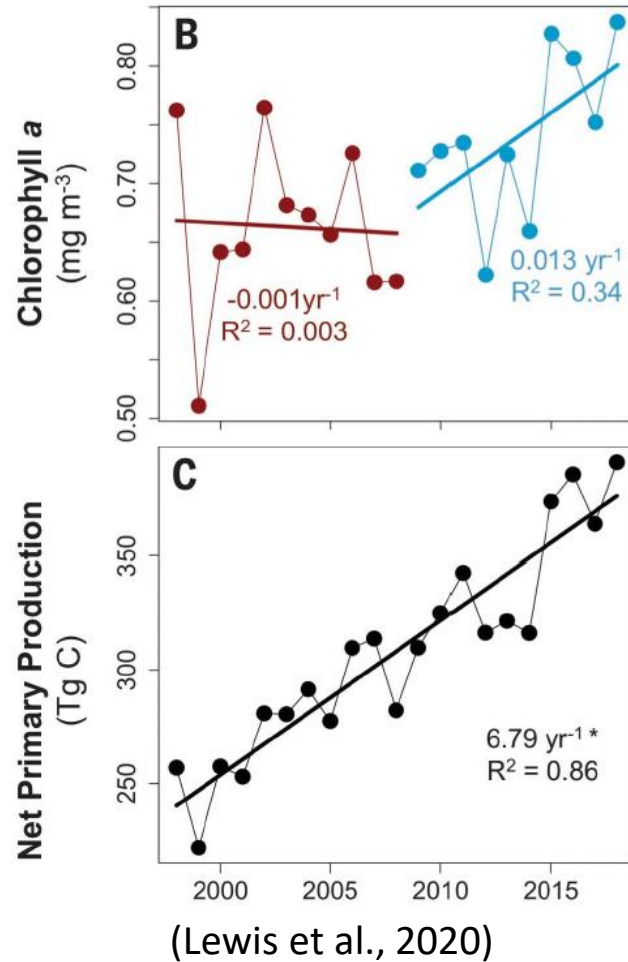


These physical and biological changes lead to  
heterogeneous  $p\text{CO}_2$  responses



# Background (cont'd)

- Net community production (NCP) is not linearly related to biological production rates.



# Data for Modeling

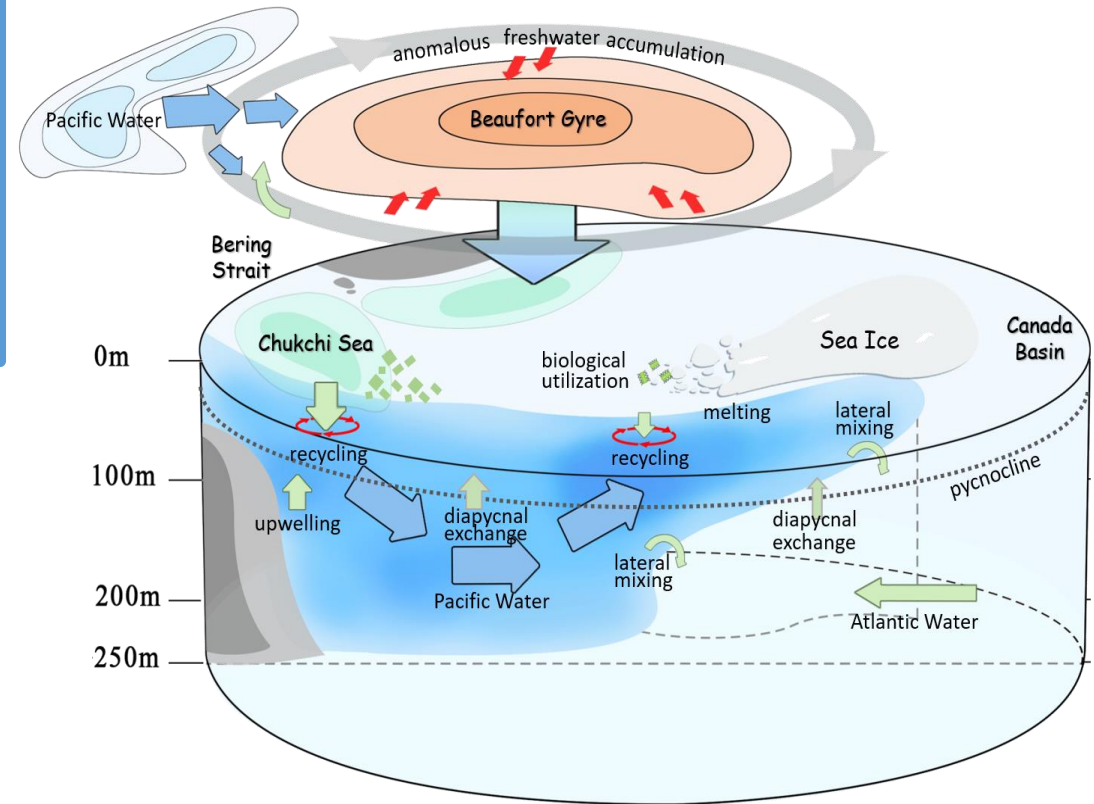
## What data do we use? (examples)

- Sea ice concentration
- Temperature
- Salinity
- Wind speed and direction

- $\text{NO}_3$
- $p\text{CO}_2$
- DIC
- $\text{pH}$

- Chlorophyll
- Gross Primary Production (GPP)
- $\text{O}_2/\text{Ar}$

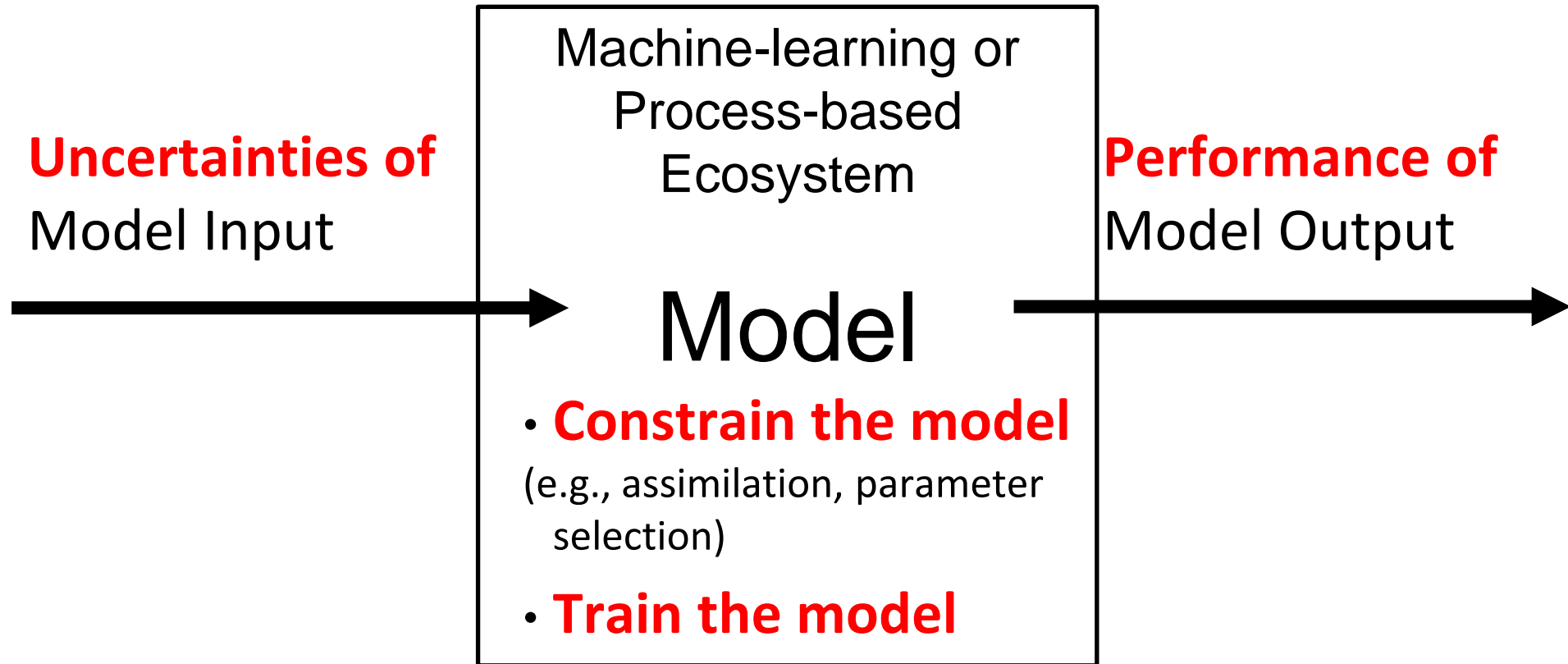
*and more ...*



modified after Qi et al., (2017)

# Data for Modeling

## How do we use data?

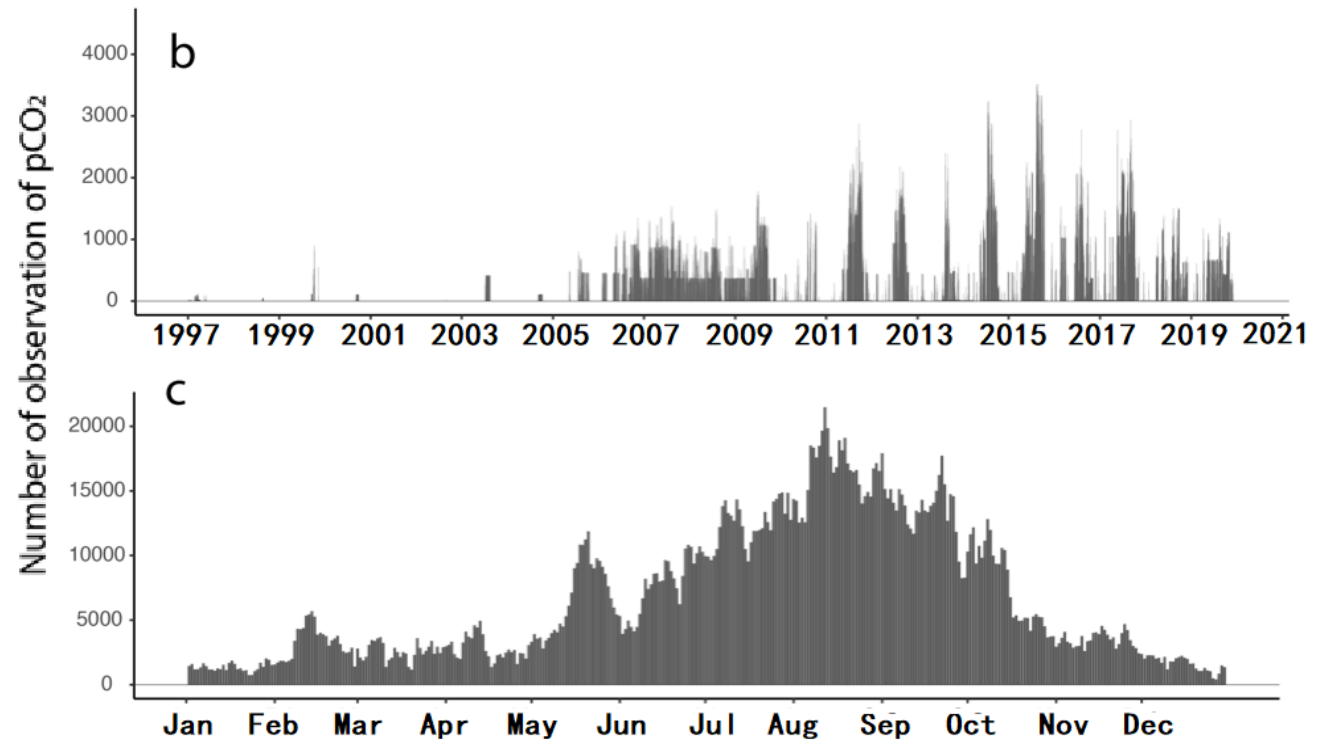
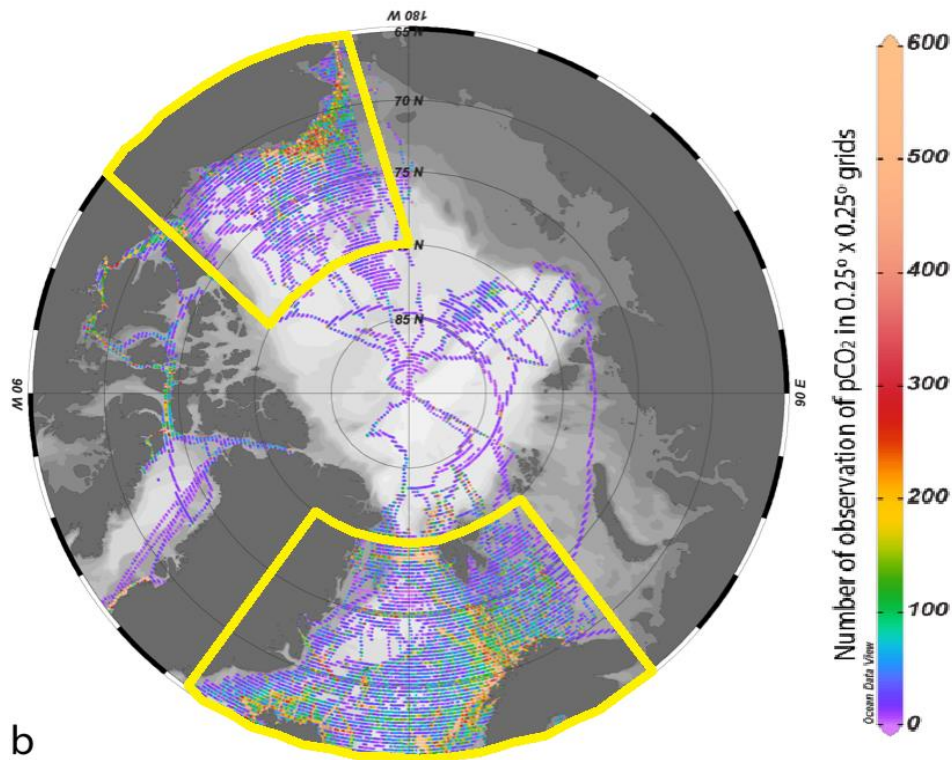




# Data Compilation

## Compiled $p\text{CO}_2$ data

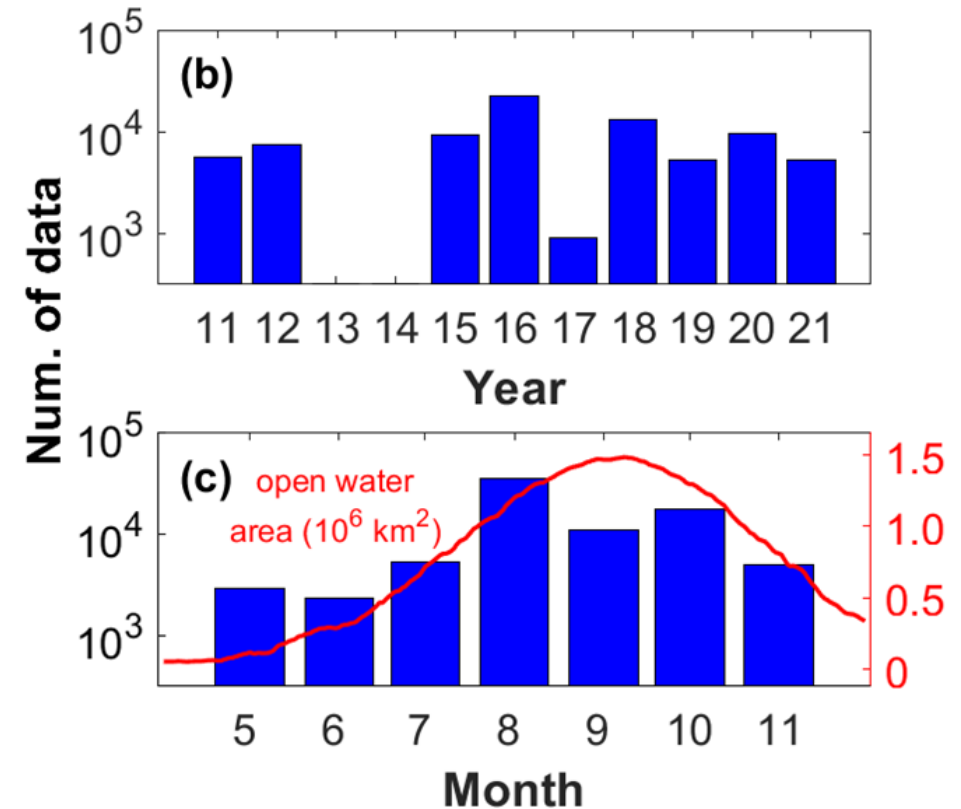
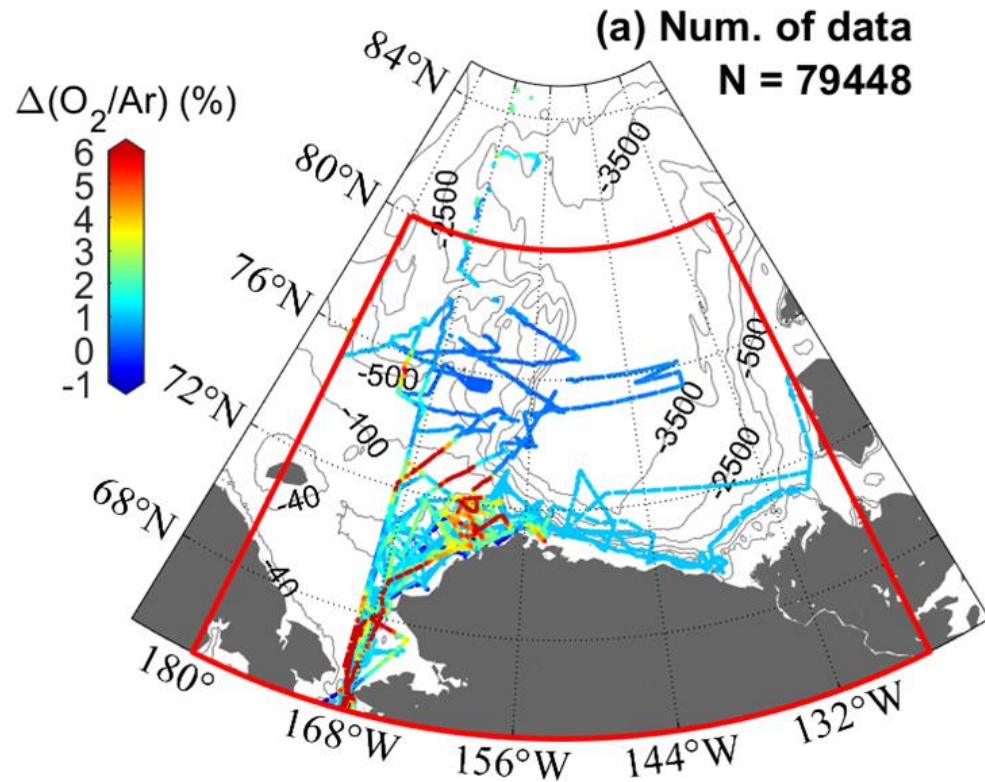
- Most data are available in the Pacific and Atlantic sectors
- Data in the high-latitude Arctic Ocean remain sparse
- Recent data of 2014-2020 nearly doubled the total number



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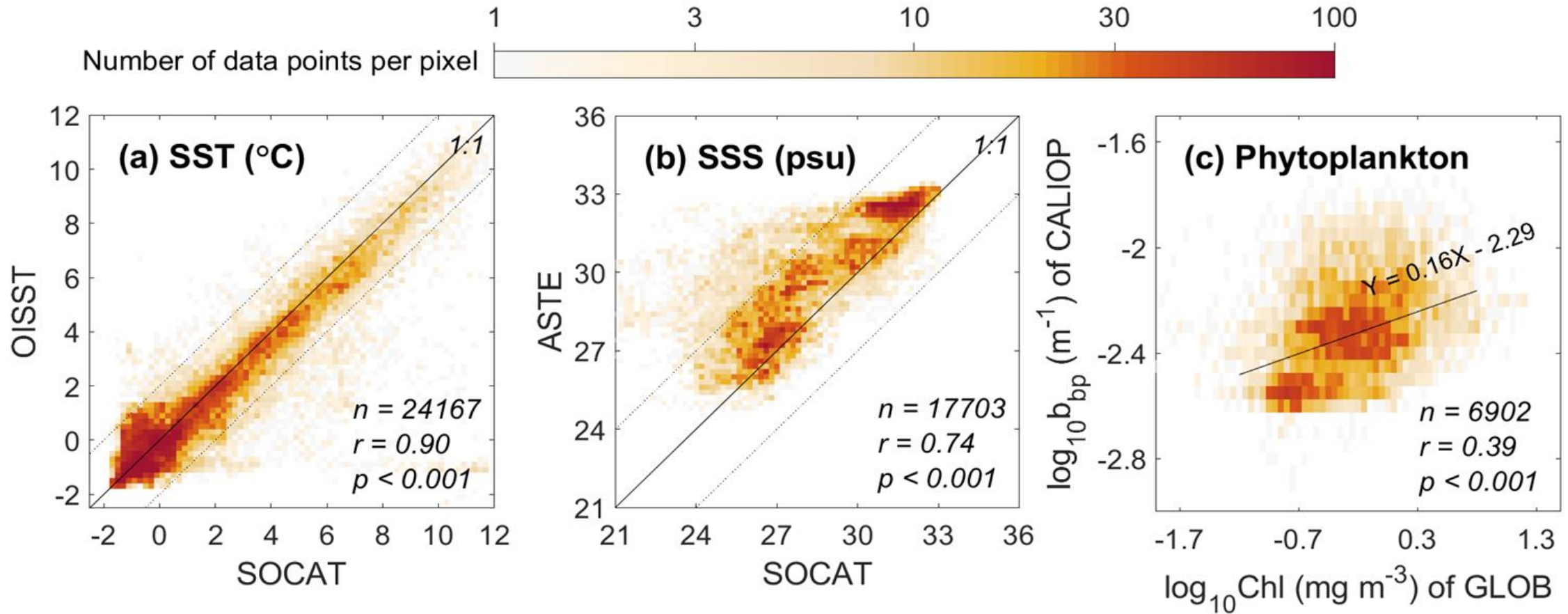
## Compiled O<sub>2</sub>/Ar data

- Concentrated in Chukchi and Beaufort Seas and few in high-latitude open-water area
- Available in most years from 2011-2021 and from late spring to early winter



# Uncertainties of Model Input

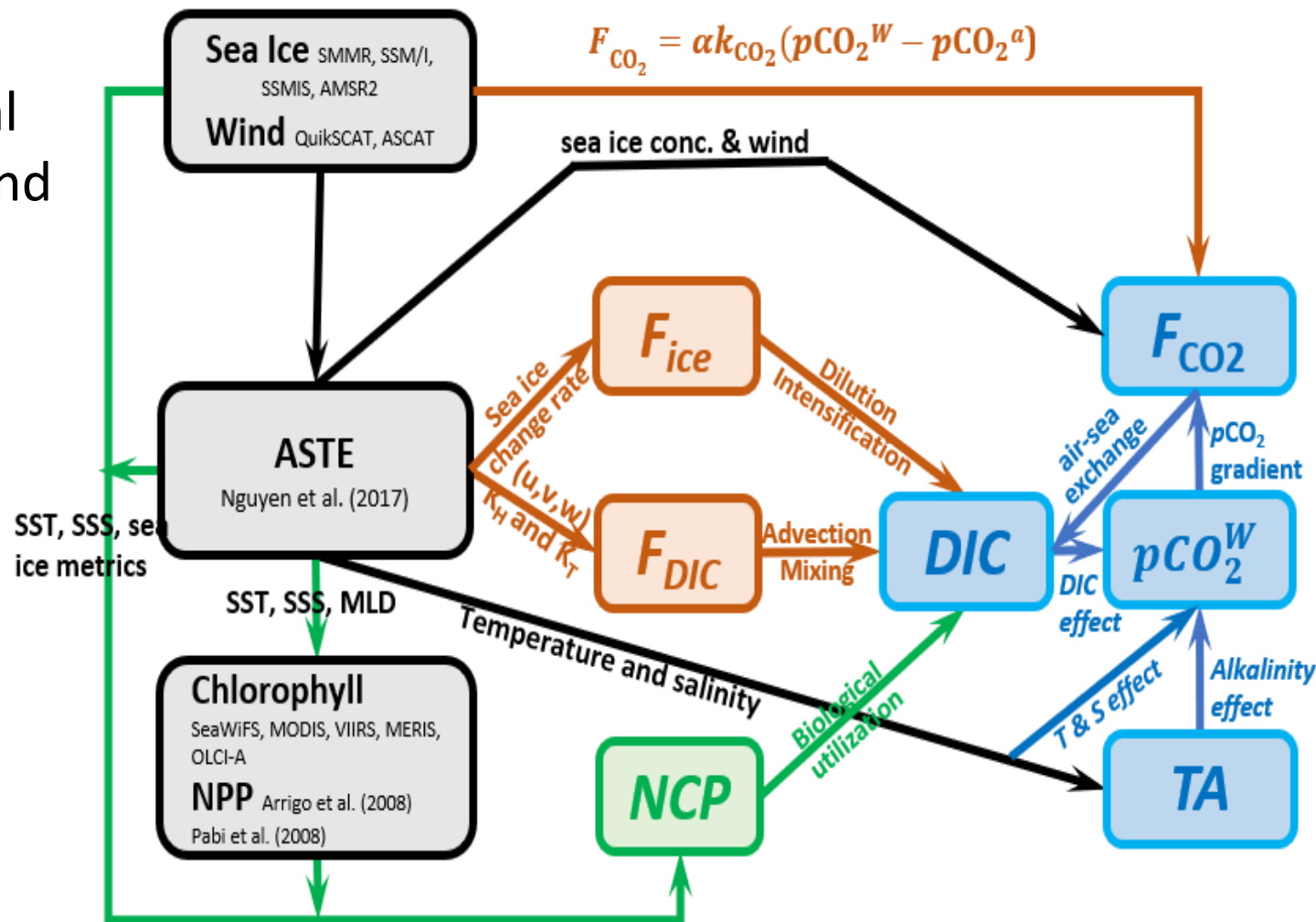
- Uncertainties vary across variables
- Discrepancies are location- and season-dependent.



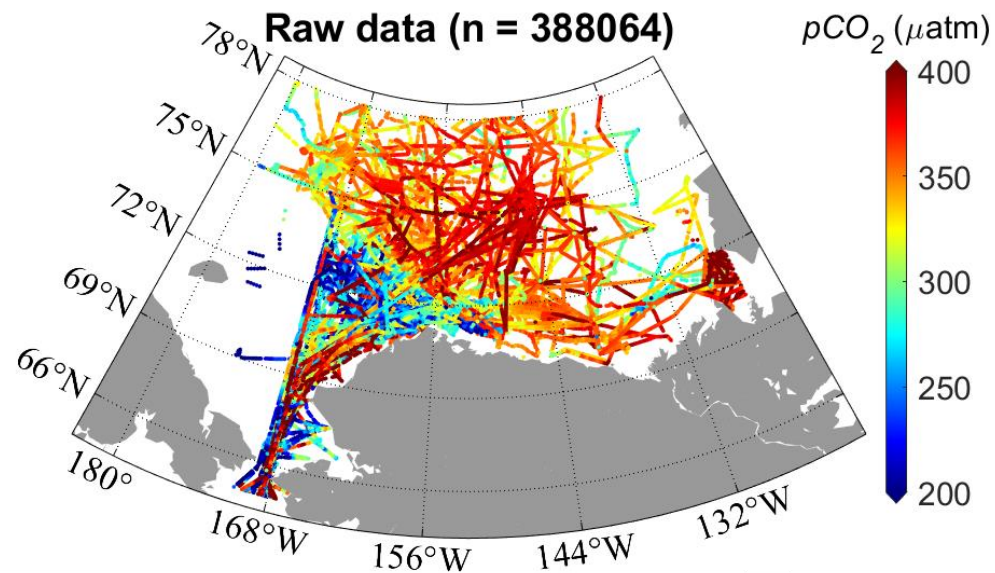
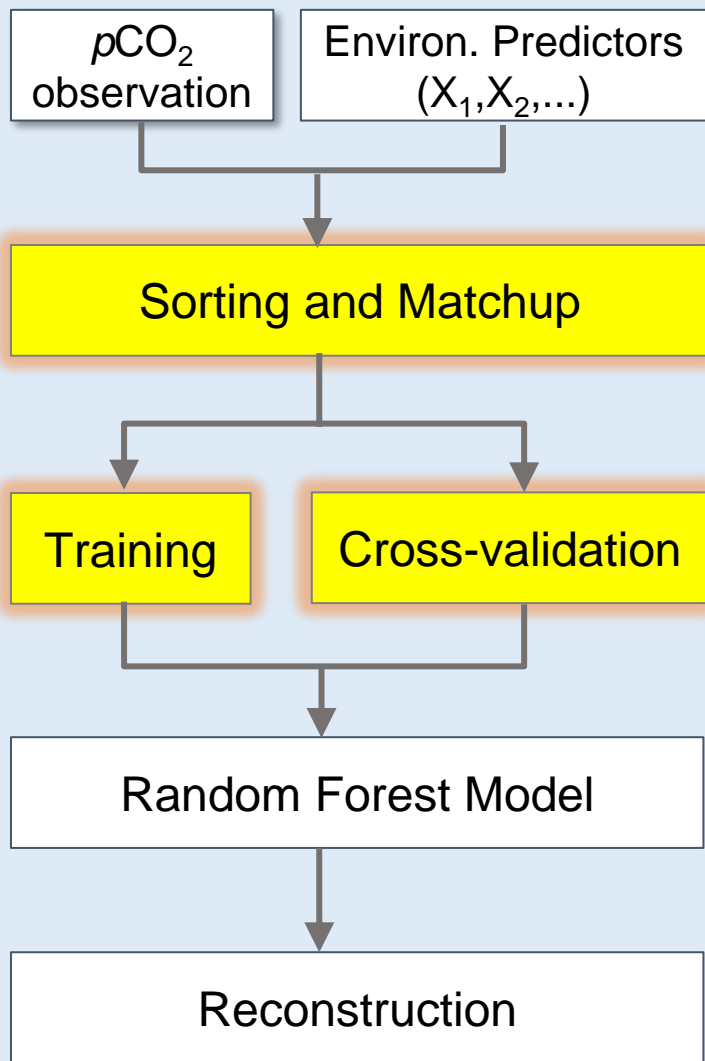


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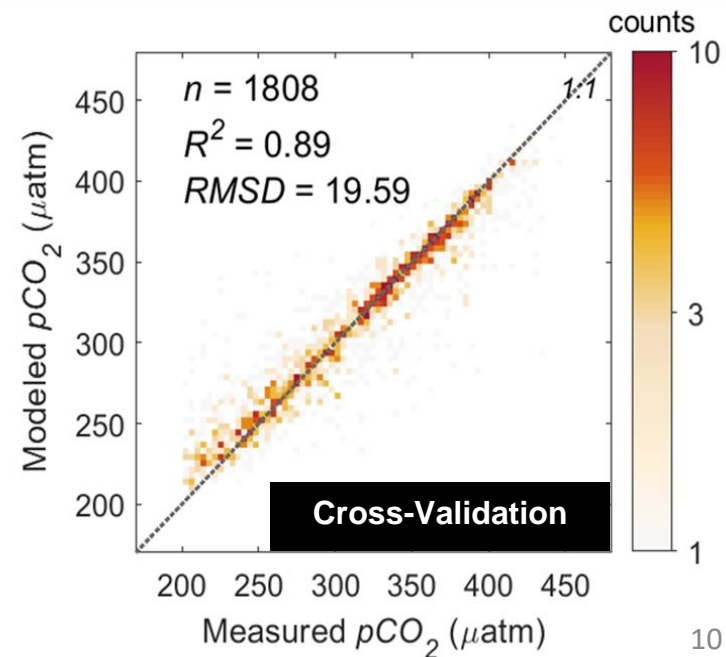
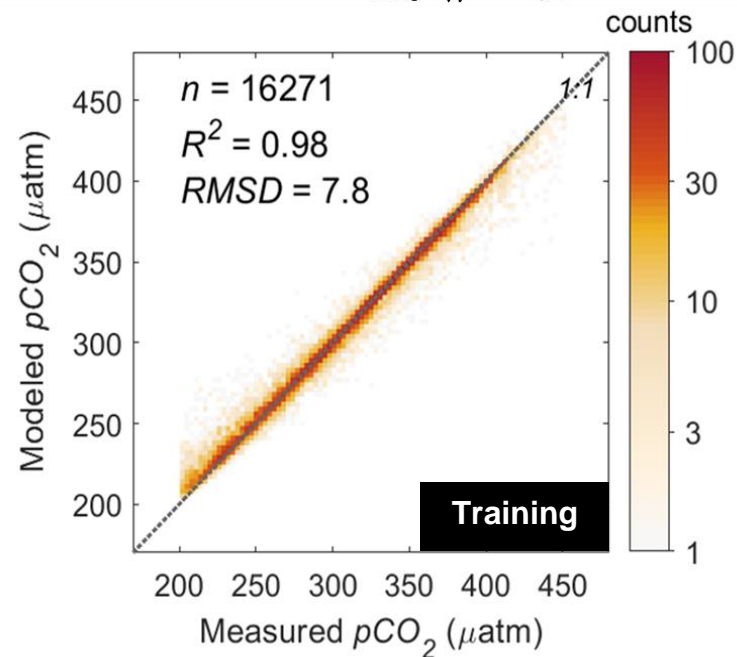
- Constrain rates related to physical exchange, biological utilization, and chemical reaction processes.



# Train Process-based Model

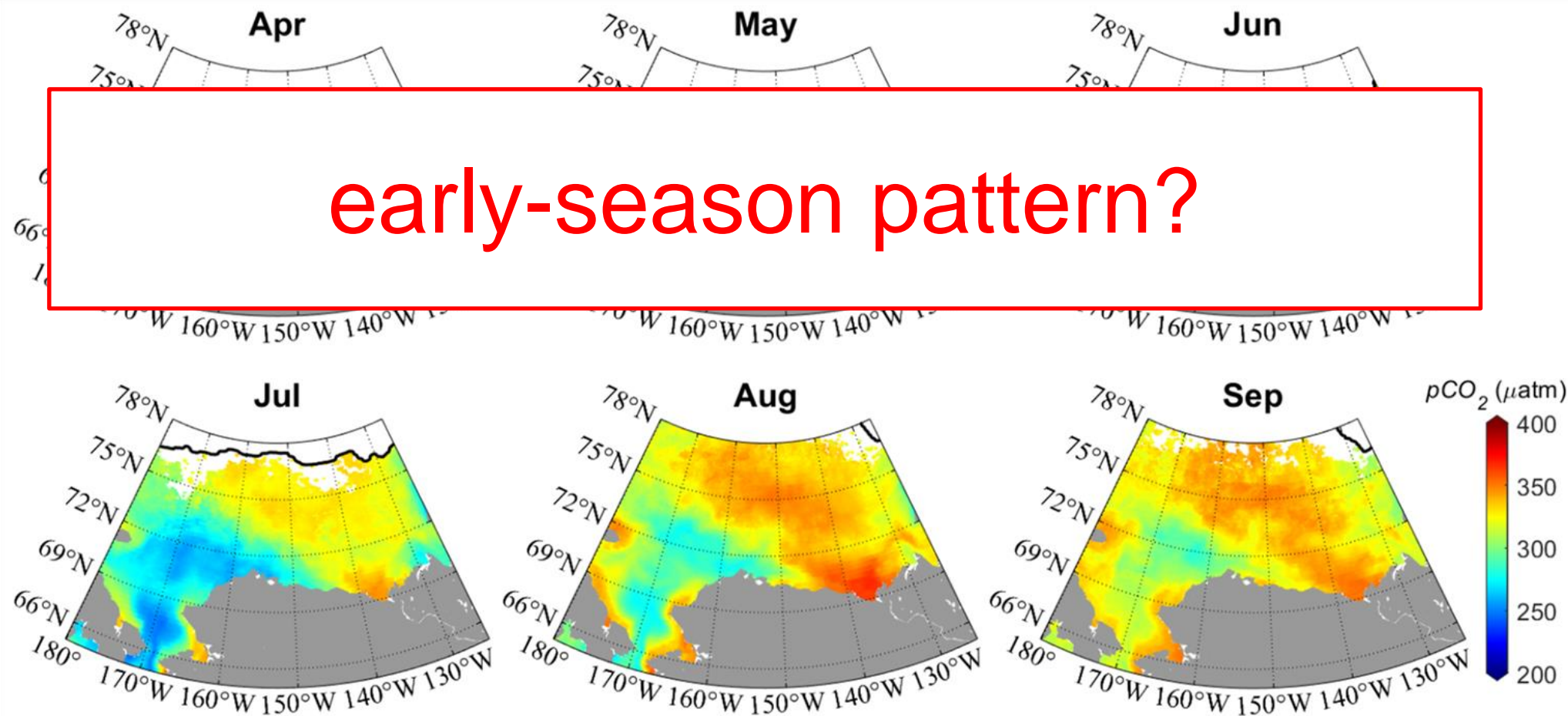


- About 0.4 million  $p\text{CO}_2$  measurements in the past decade
- Strong shelf-to-basin gradient



# Case Study I – $p\text{CO}_2$

Early season during ice retreat (Apr to Jun)?

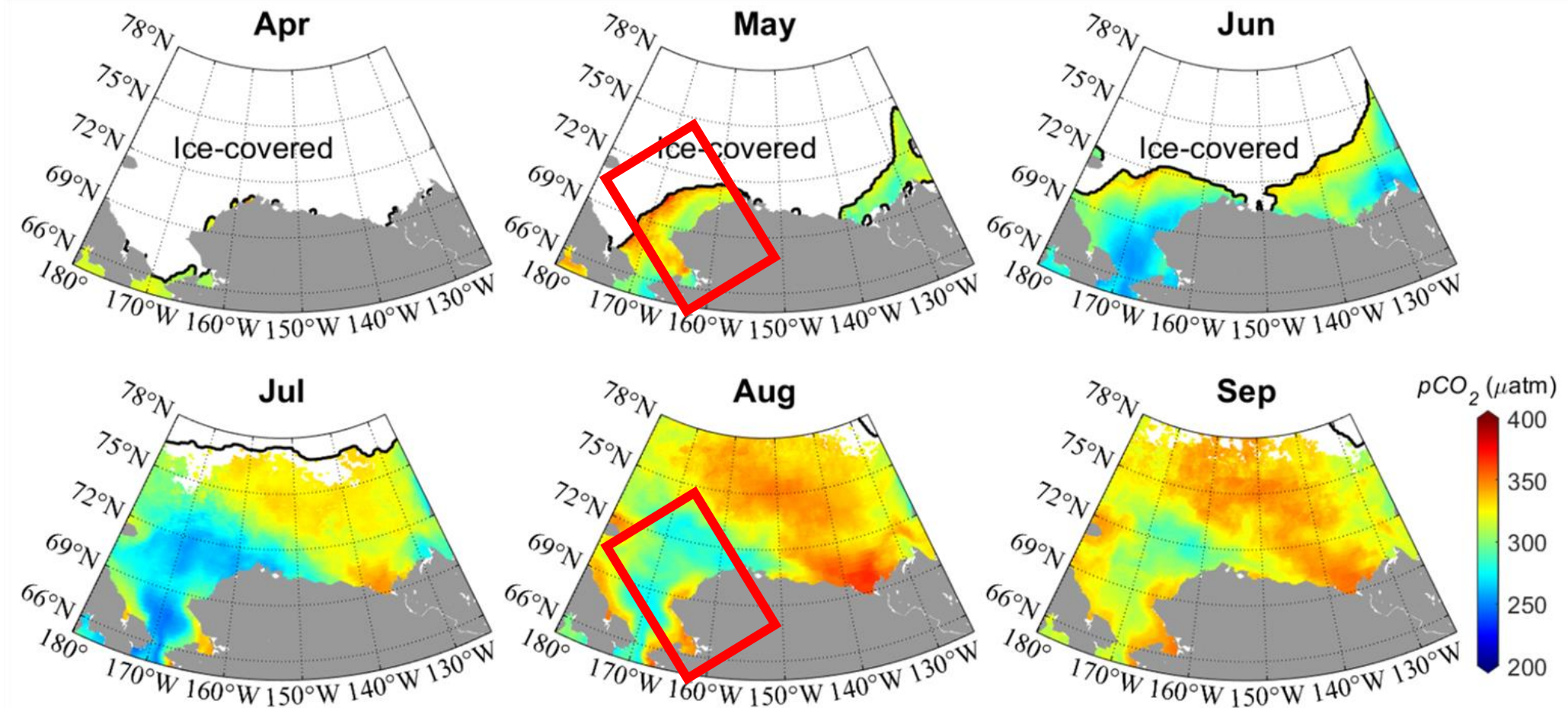




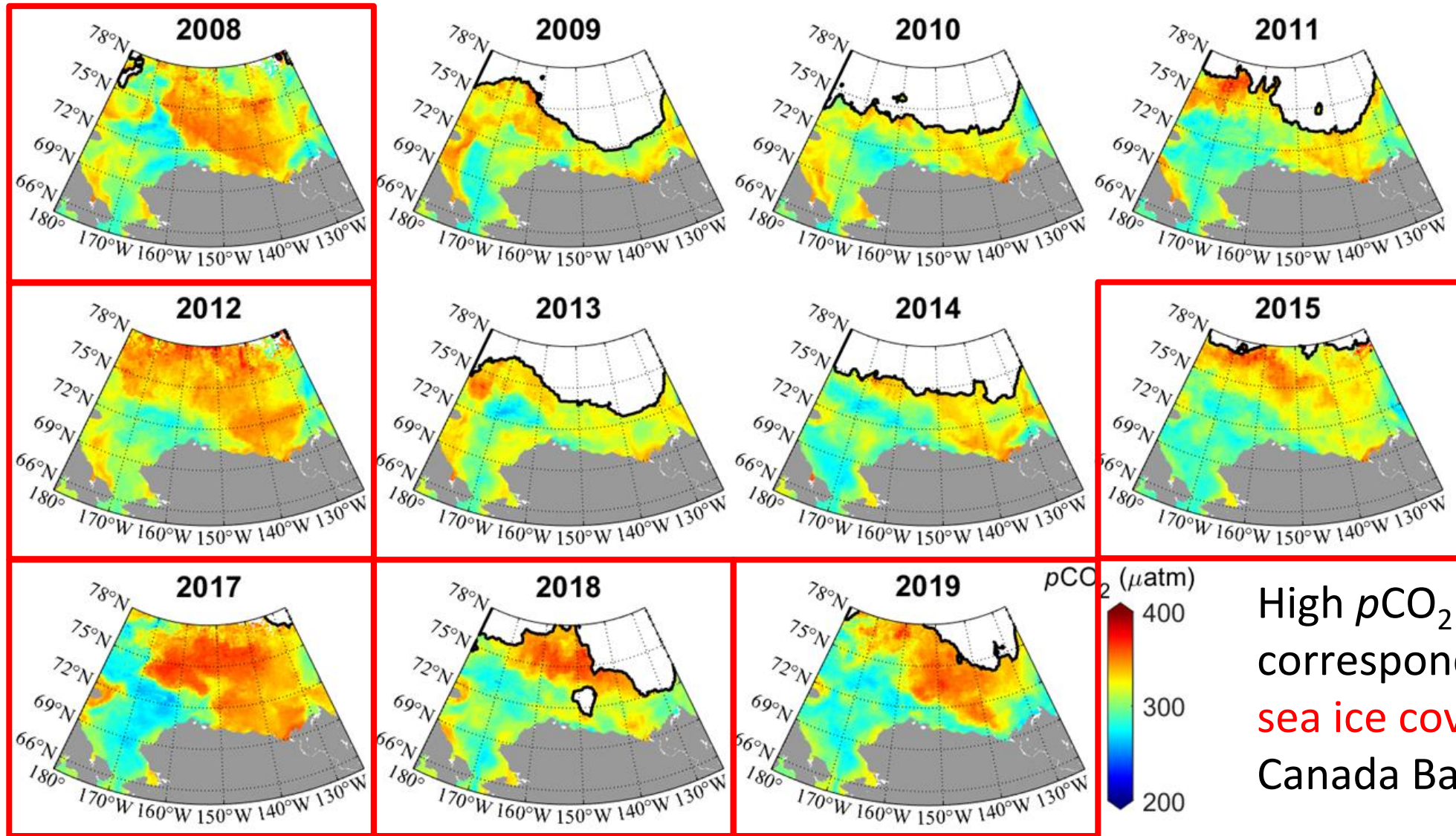
# Case Study I – $p\text{CO}_2$

## Early season during ice retreat (Apr to Jun)

- **reversed** spatial gradients at low latitudes
- **high  $p\text{CO}_2$**  in the newly opened water along sea ice edge



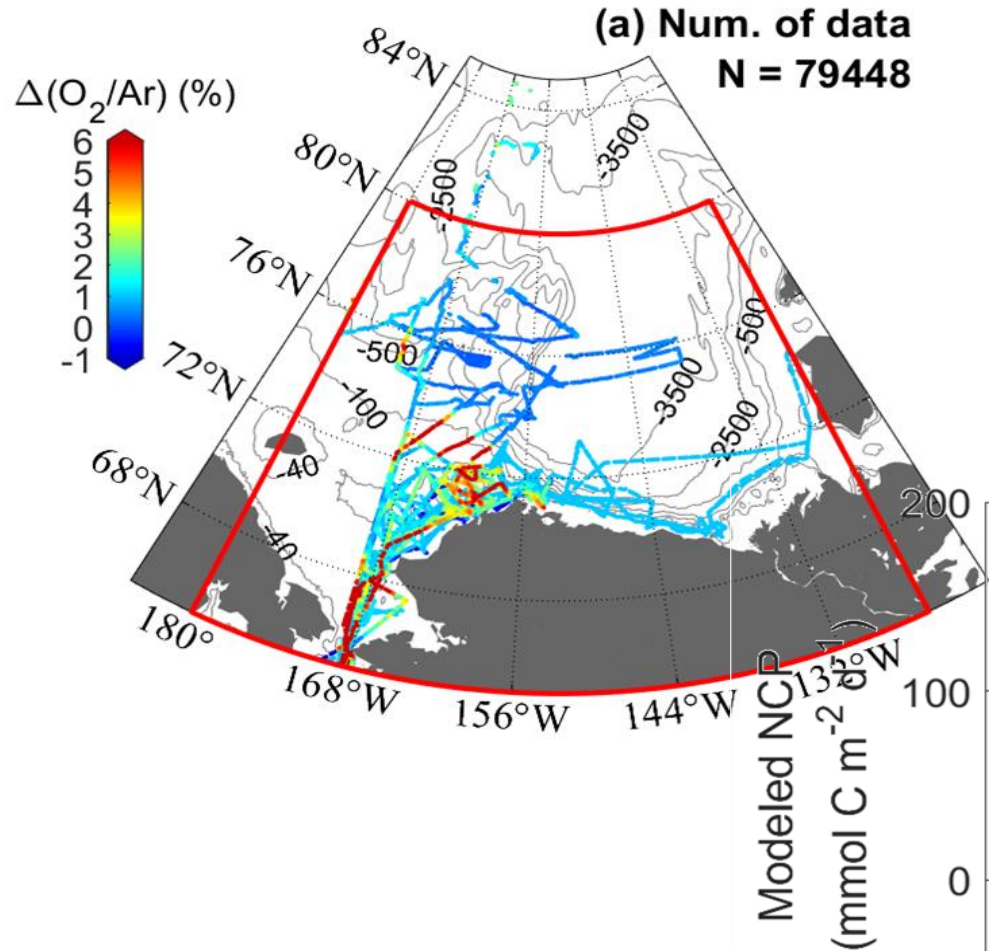
# Case Study I – $p\text{CO}_2$



High  $p\text{CO}_2$  generally corresponds to **low sea ice cover** in the Canada Basin

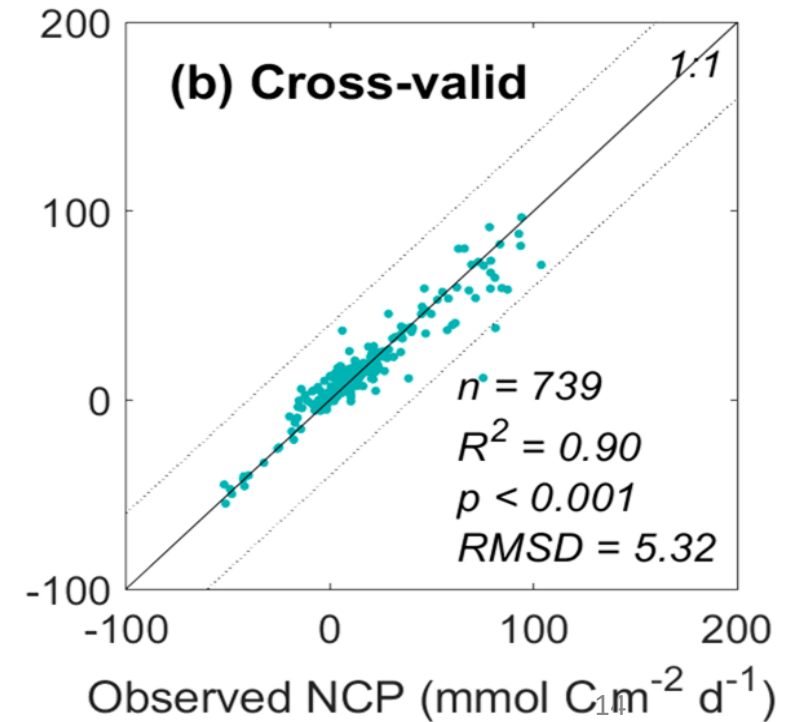
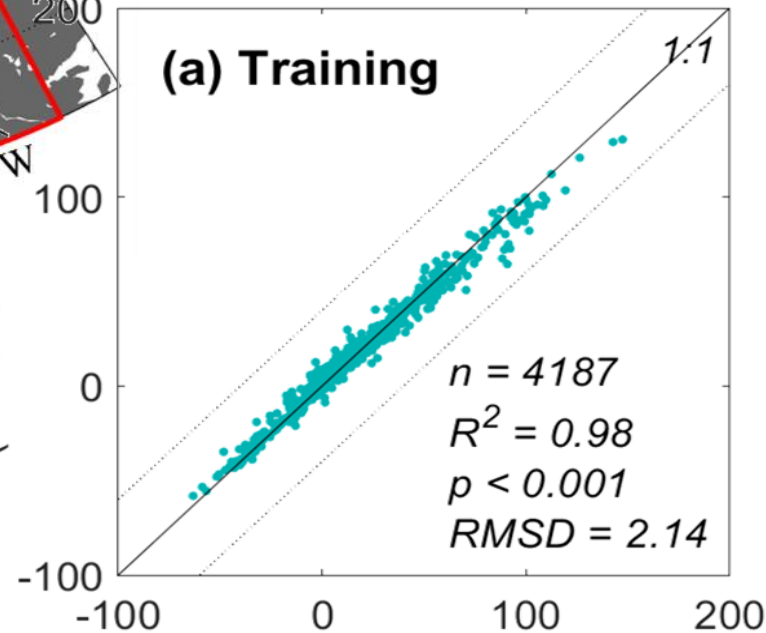


# Case Study II – NCP



**Random Forest Model:**

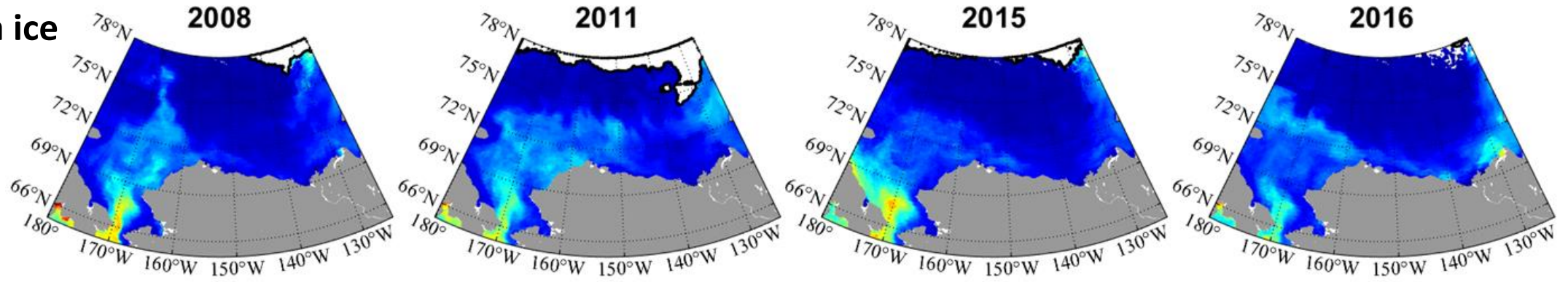
$$\text{NCP} = f(\text{SSS}, \text{Daylength}, \text{SST}, \text{wind}^2, \text{Chl}, \text{SIC})$$



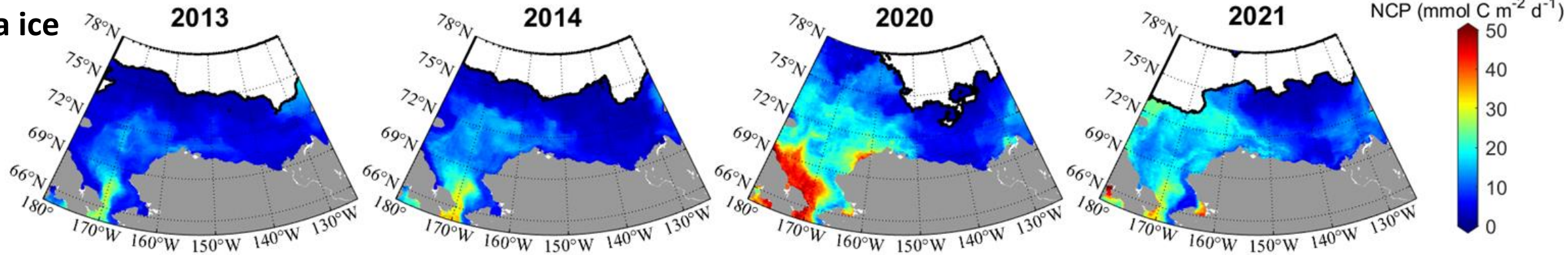
# Case Study II – NCP

ML models produce weekly distribution of Net Community Production in the Western AO.

Low sea ice cover:



High sea ice cover:



# Synthesis

## Motivation:

Models and approaches use underlying assumption for dynamic processes to estimate the carbon sink in the Arctic Ocean:

- Ecosystem Model:  $153 \pm 14 \text{ TgC yr}^{-1}$  (Manizza et al., 2019)
- Atmospheric Inversion Model:  $400 \sim 600 \text{ TgC yr}^{-1}$  (Wanninkhof et al., 2013)

Objectives: A **data-based** carbon flux and budget analysis

**O1:** Provide independent carbon sink estimation

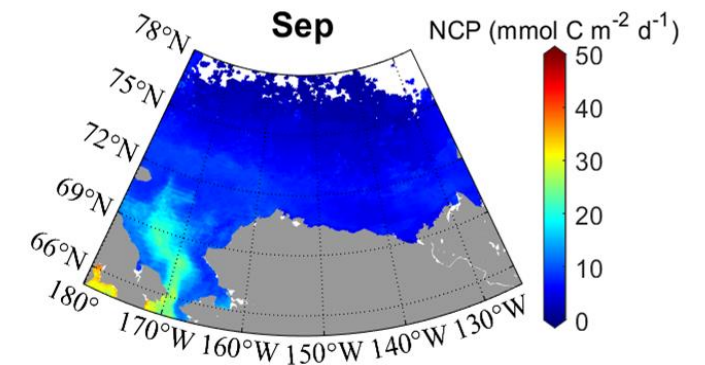
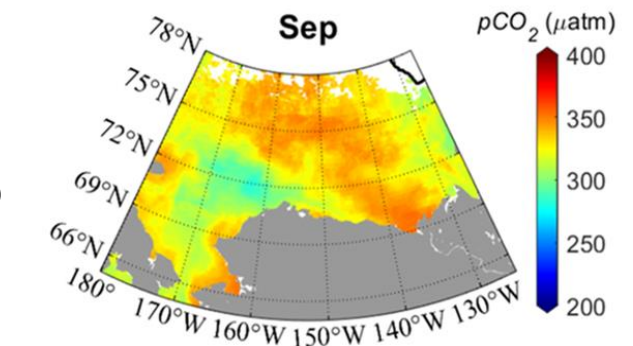
**O2:** Quantify the relative contribution of NCP and air-sea fluxes to carbon budget

$$F_{CO_2} = K_s \cdot k_{CO_2} \cdot (1 - SIC) \cdot \Delta pCO_2$$

**Case Study I**

$$\frac{d \int_0^{MLD} DIC dz}{dt} = F_{CO_2} + F_{ice} + K \cdot \Delta DIC_{vert} + NCP$$

**Case Study I** **Case Study II**



# Synthesis

## Objectives:

- O1:** Biological production regimes classification (e.g., recycle- vs export-dominant system)
- O2:** Identify key environmental drivers and dynamics of  $p\text{CO}_2$  and NCP seasonality
- O3:** Detect seasonal timing and duration and their impacts on year-to-year changes of  $p\text{CO}_2$  and NCP

