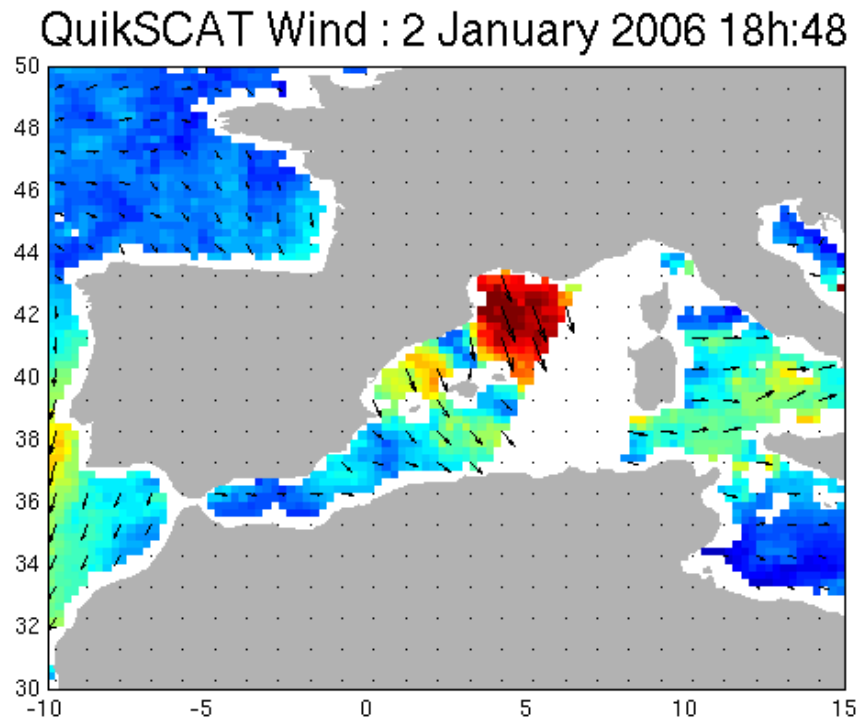


Synergetic use of scatterometer and
synthetic aperture radar wind
measurements in coastal areas.

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Scatterometer data

- High temporal resolution: 2 measurements per day taken by QuikScat
- Spatial resolution of 25 km



Synthetic aperture radars

- High spatial resolution: ~ few hundred of meters
- Temporal resolution: irregular, less than 10 measurements per month generally

ECMWF analysis

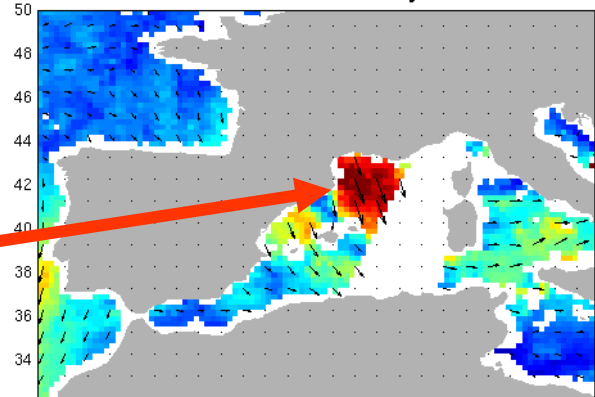
- Spatial resolution: 50 km
- Temporal resolution: 4 analysis per day

IFREMER blended wind fields

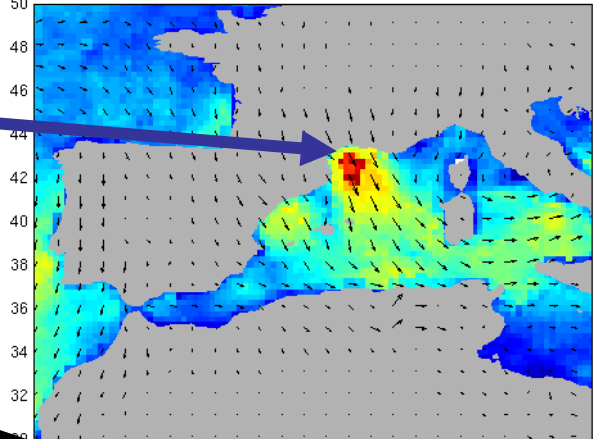
- Resulting from a kriging of scatterometer and radar radiometers wind fields on ECMWF analysis.
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- Temporal resolution: 4 wind fields per day

Regional Evaluations : High Wind Comparisons

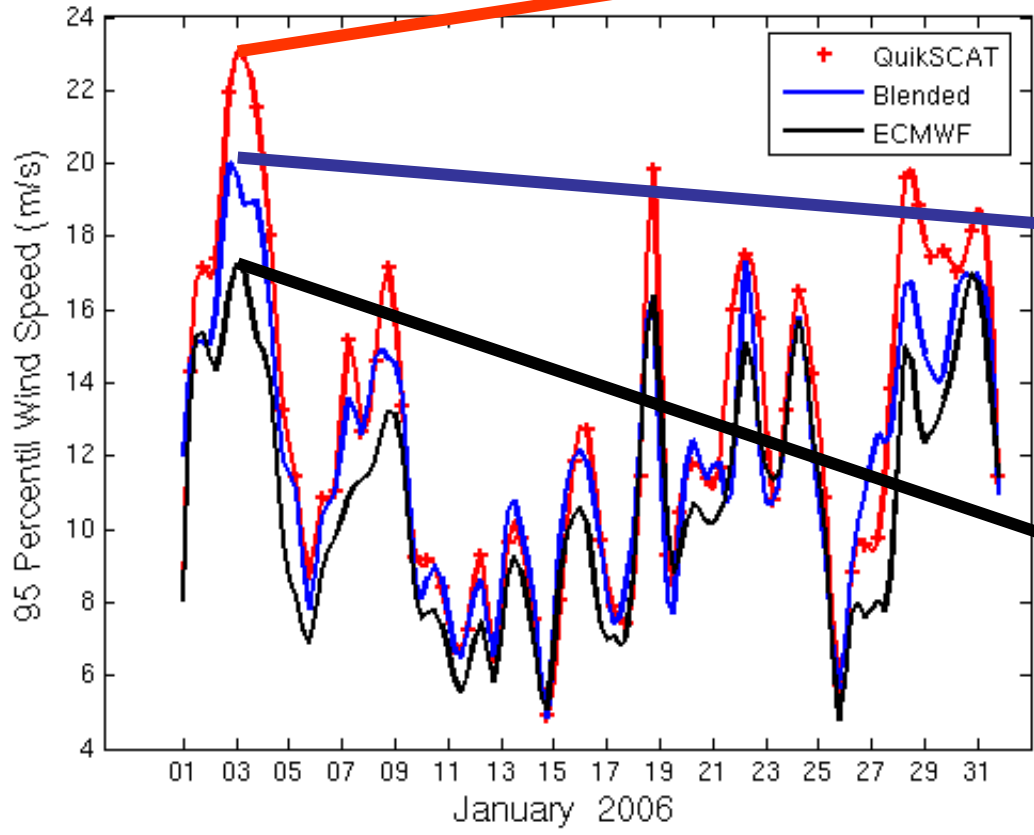
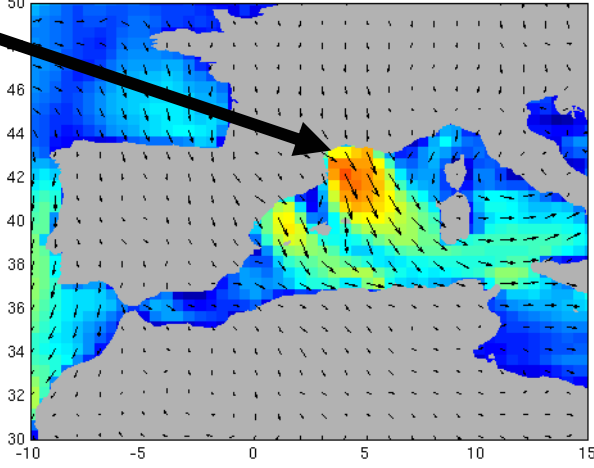
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Blended Wind : 2 January 2006 18h:00



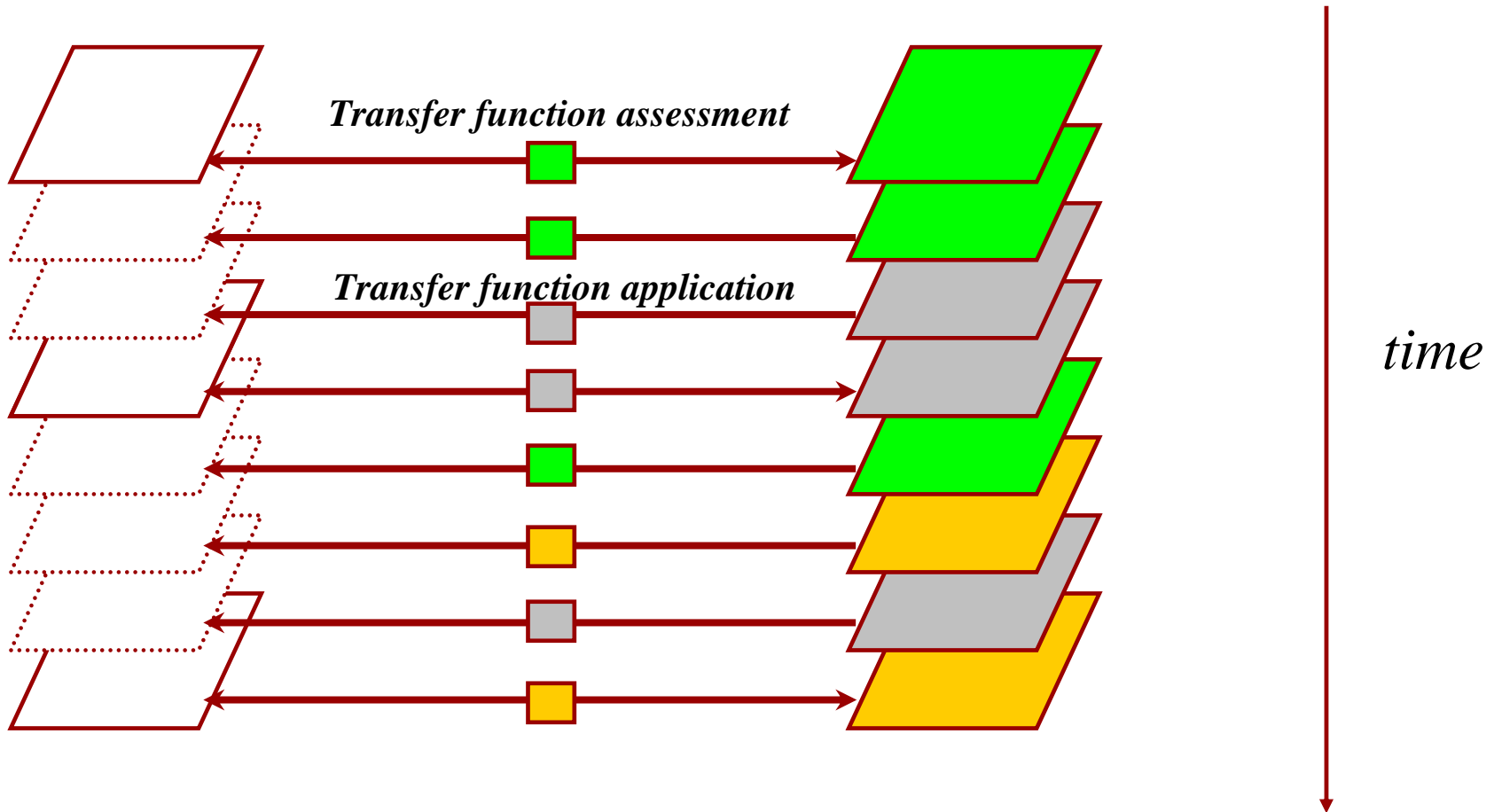
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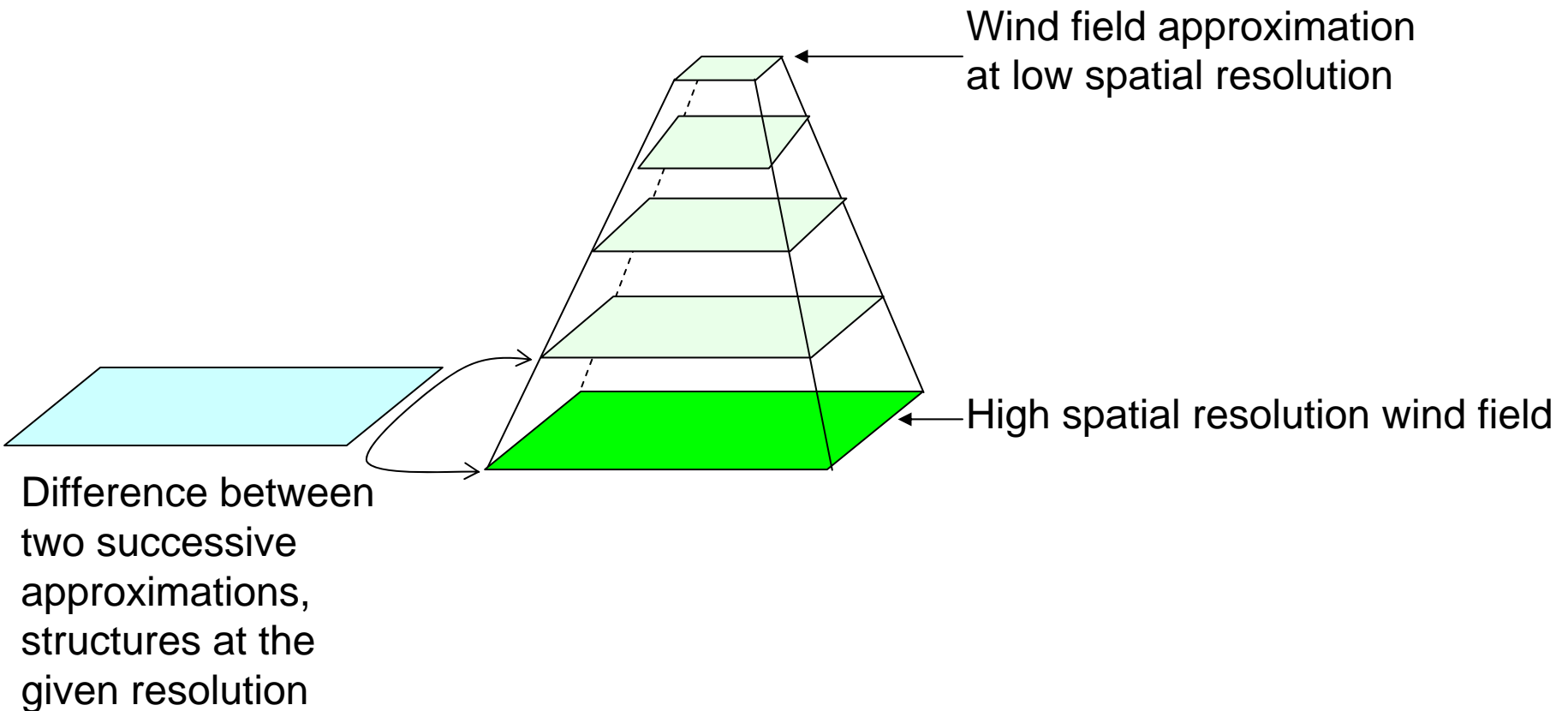
Data fusion

*High spatial
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*High temporal
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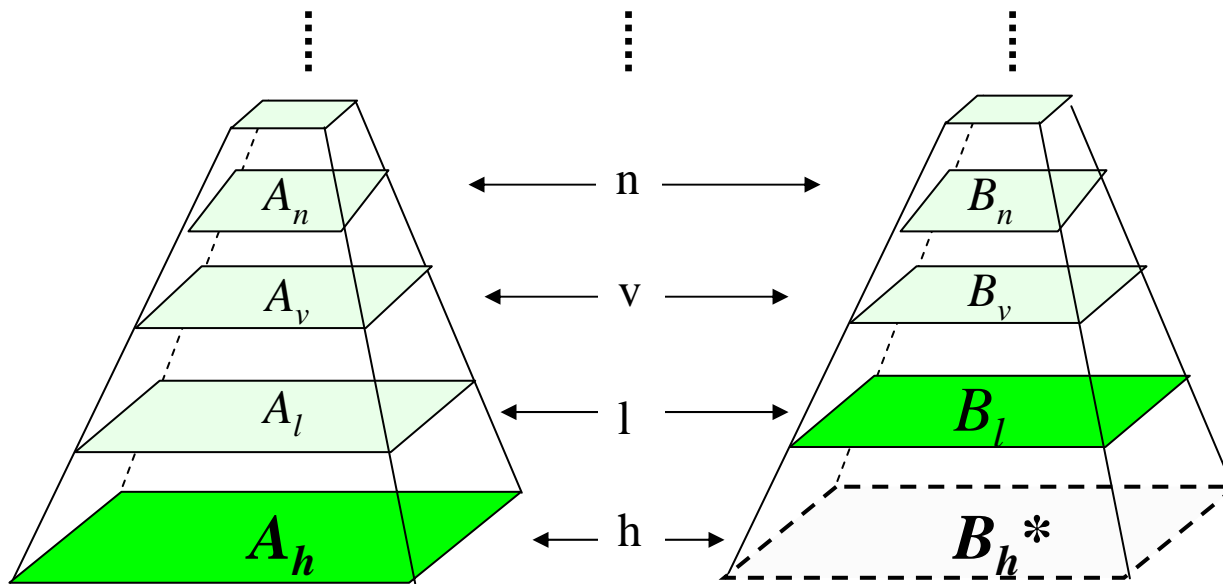
Transfer function – Multi-scale analysis



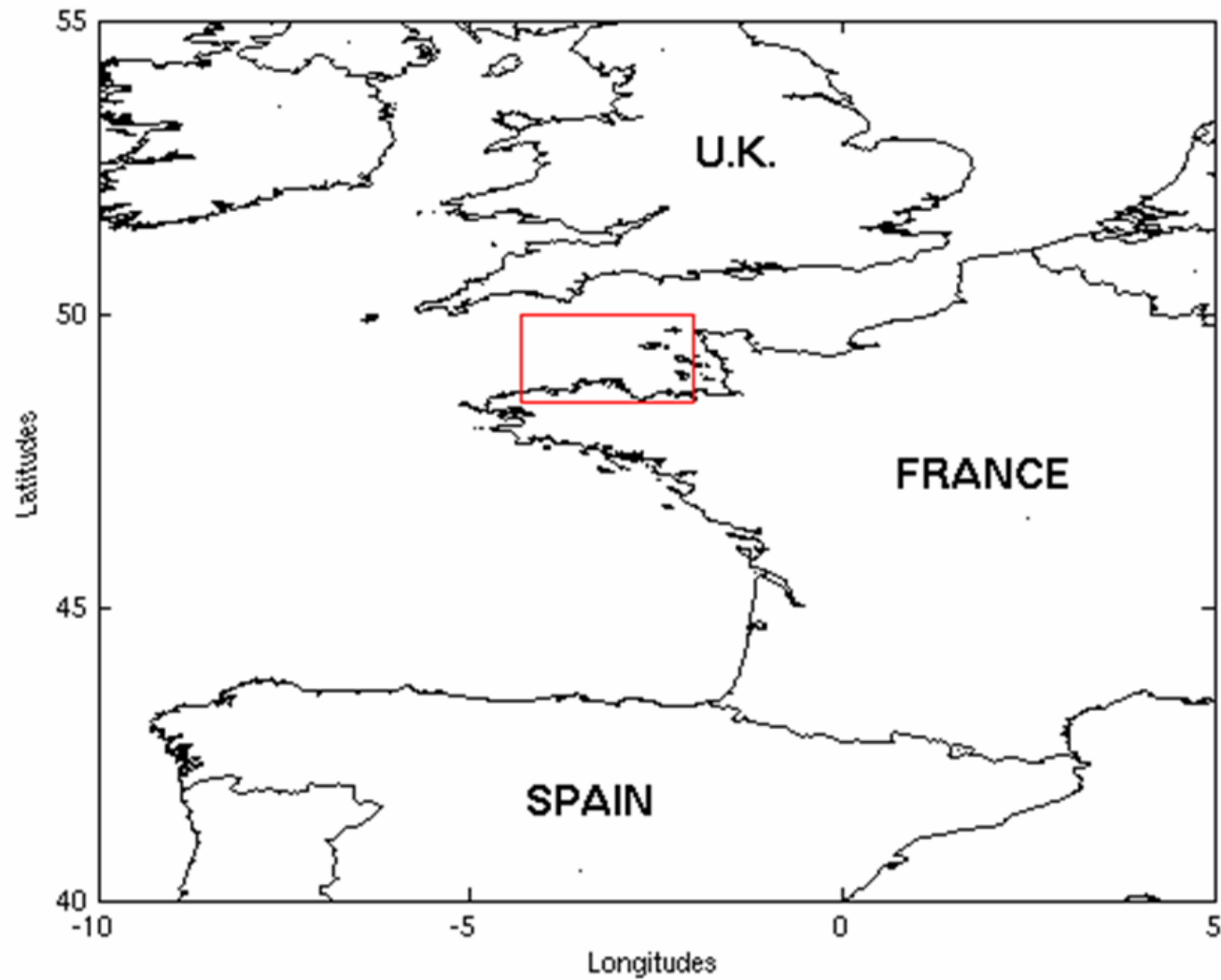
Transfer function

Pyramid A

Pyramid B

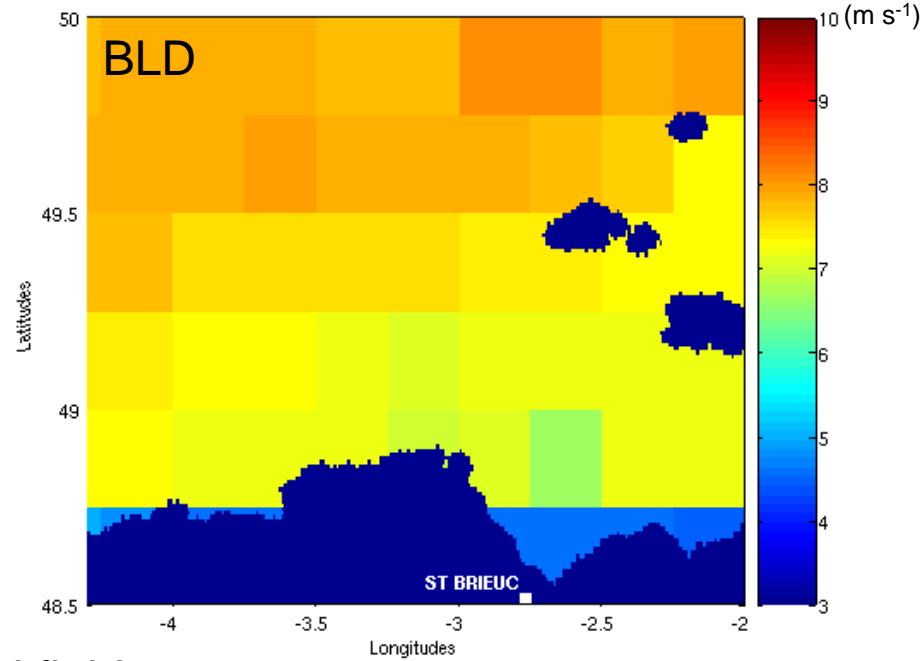
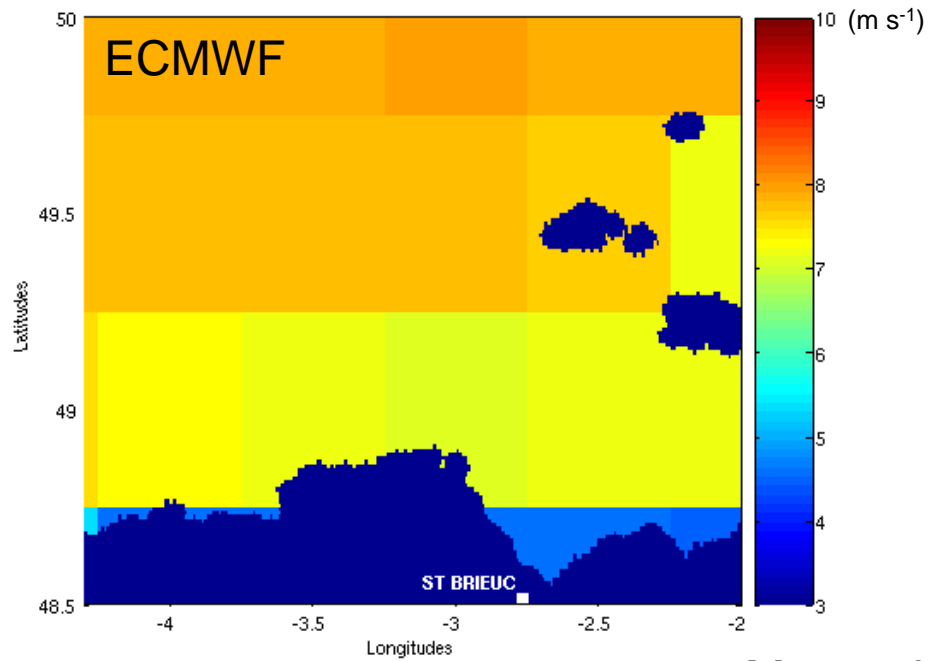


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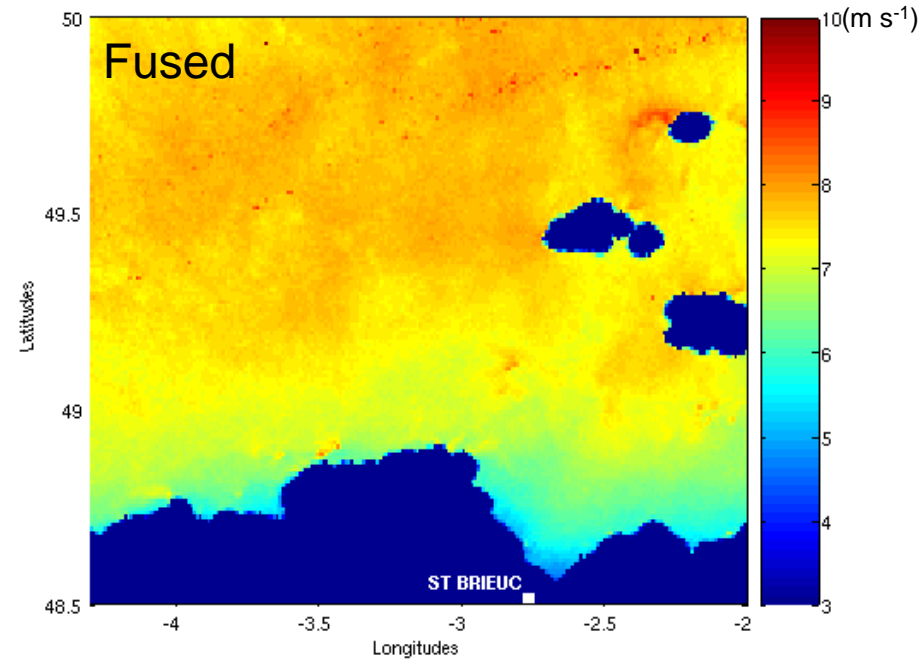
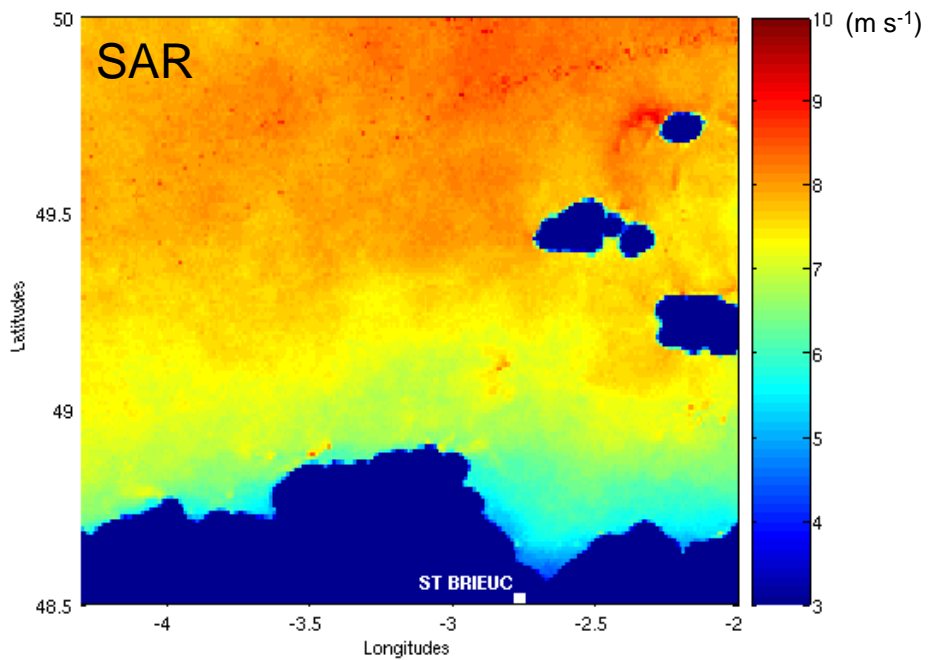


Available data

- 45 SAR images acquired by the satellite ENVISAT between October 2007 and June 2008. Source:
<http://soprano.boost-technologies.com>
- From 3 to 6 images per month during this period: a good distribution over the year
- Scatterometer data not available only during two days



Mean wind field



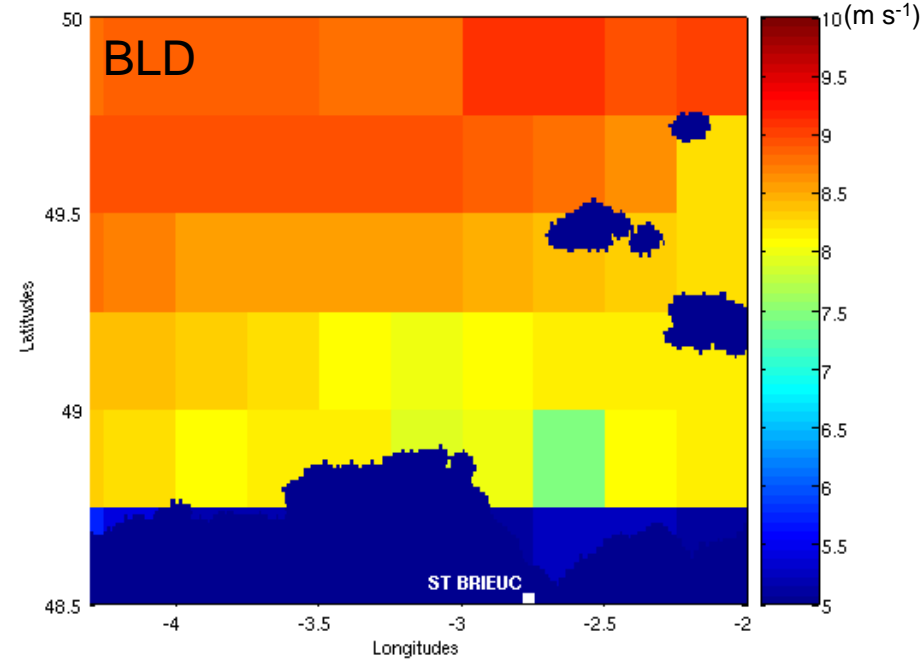
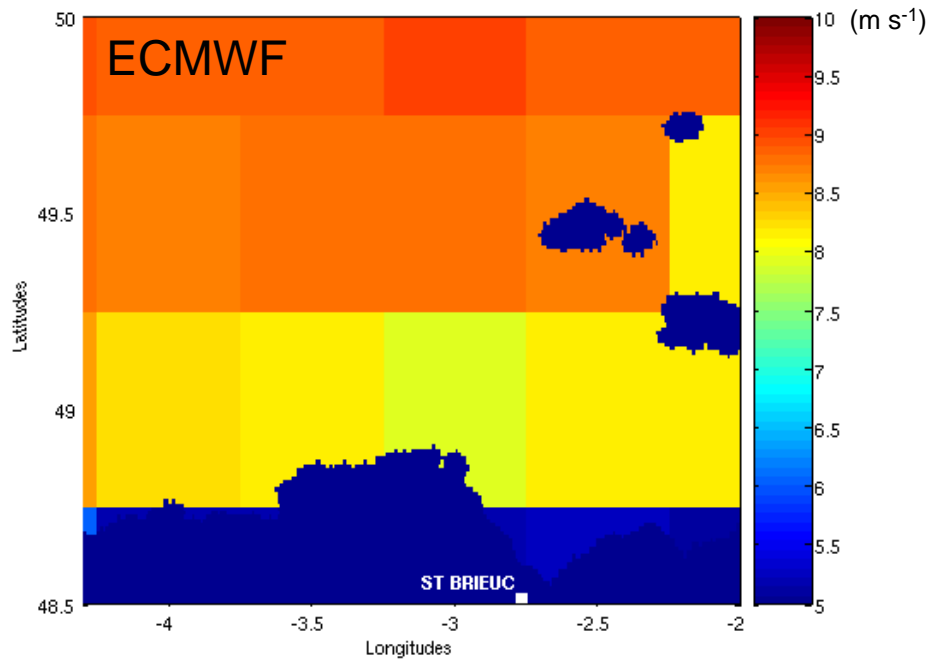
Distribution de Weibull

- Weibull probability density function

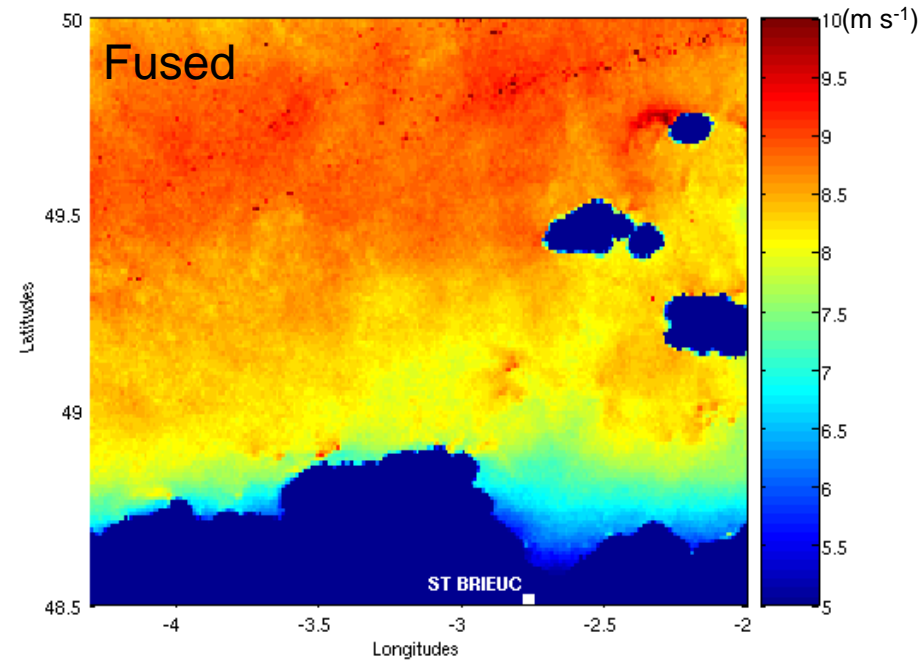
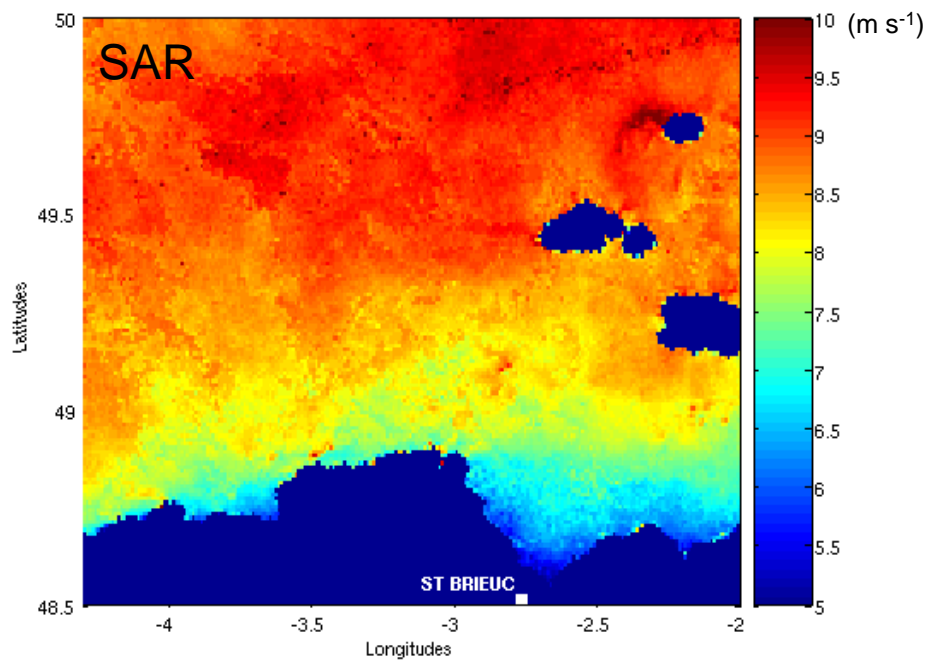
$$p(v) = \begin{cases} \frac{k}{A} \left(\frac{v}{A}\right)^{k-1} e^{-\left(\frac{v}{A}\right)^k} & v > 0 \\ 0 & v \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

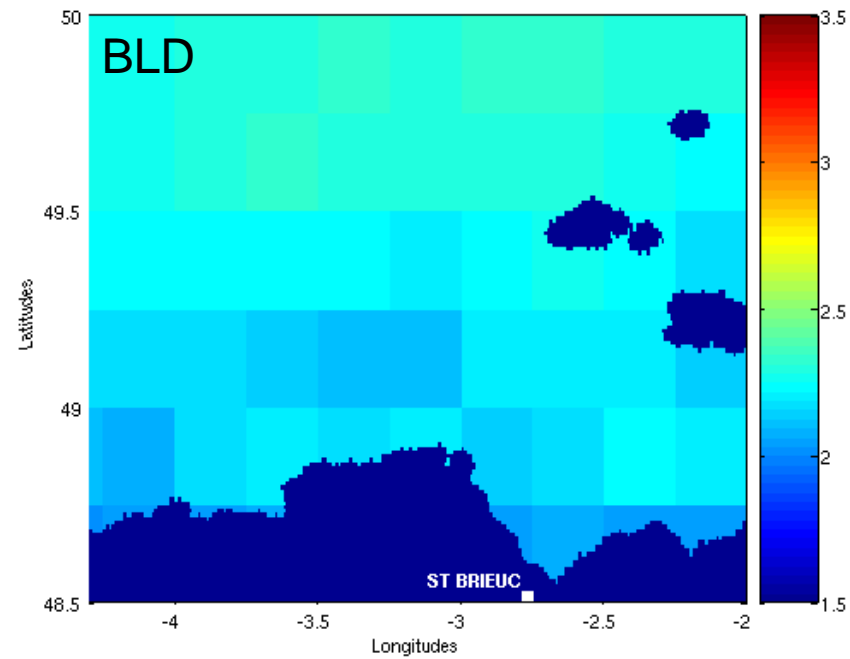
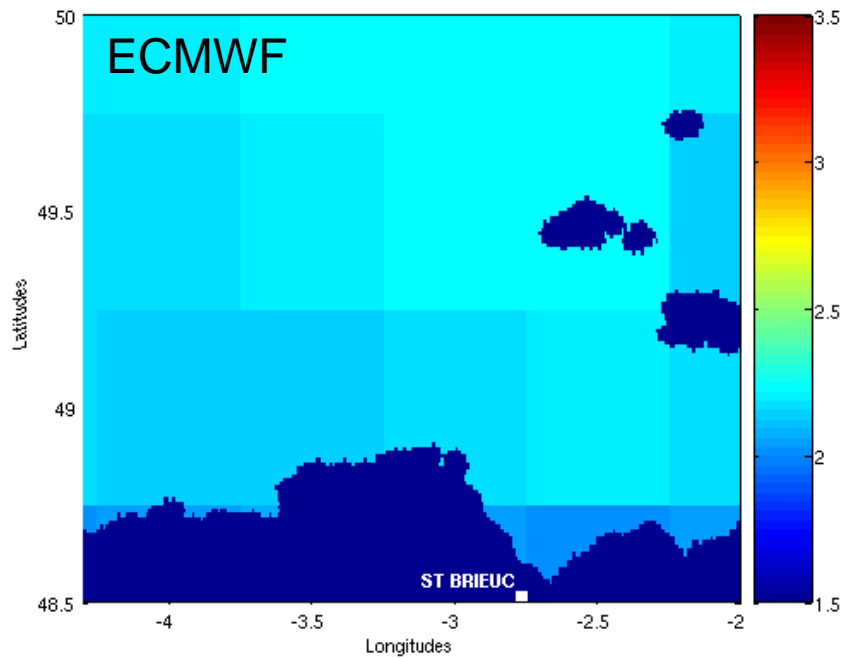
- Mean power density

$$\bar{E} = \frac{1}{2} \rho A^3 \Gamma \left(1 + \frac{3}{k} \right)$$

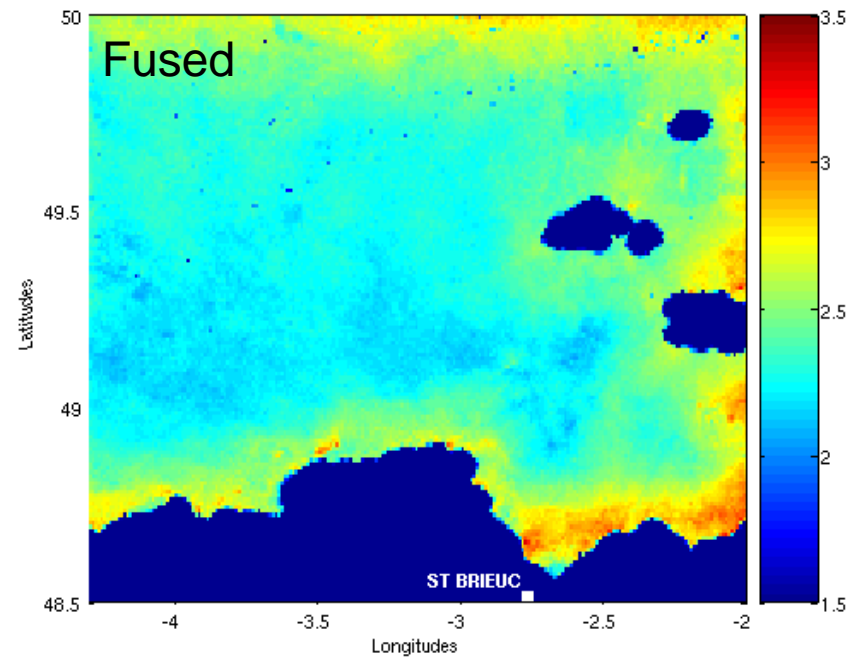
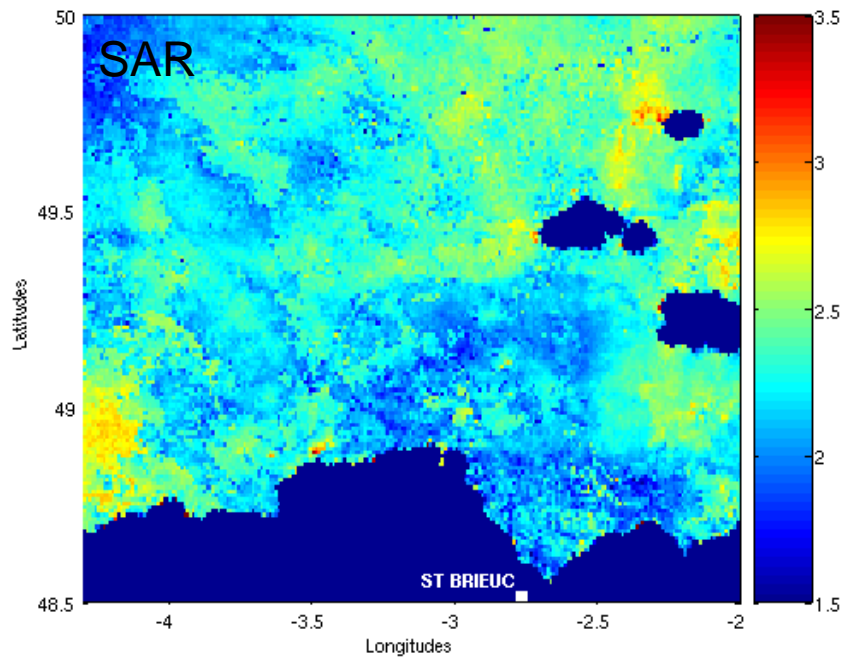


Weibull A parameter

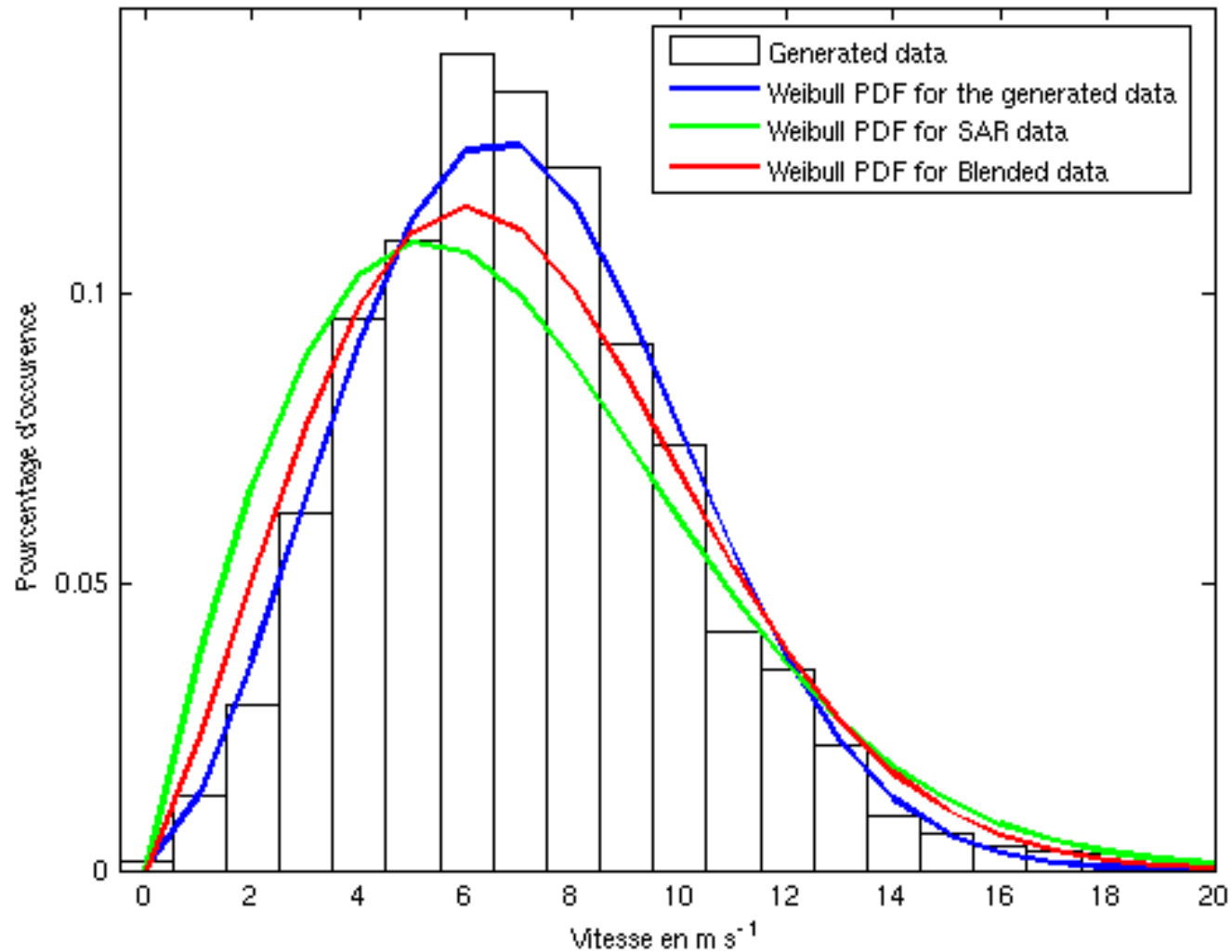


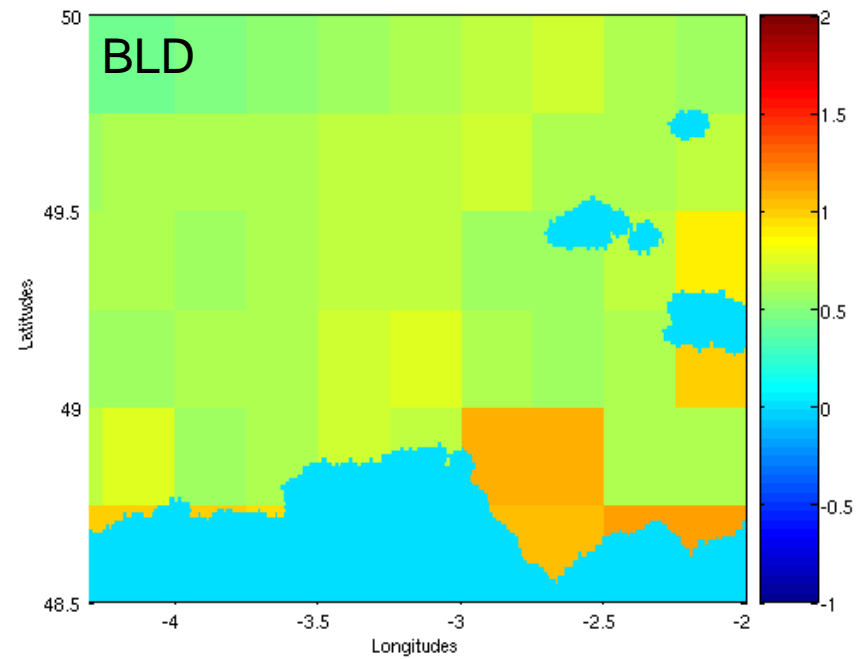
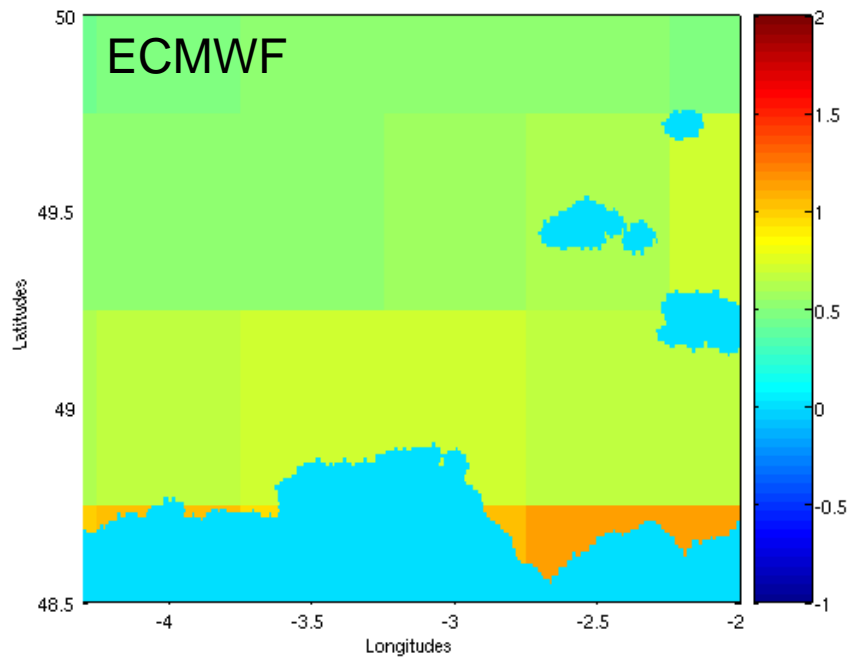


Weibull k parameter

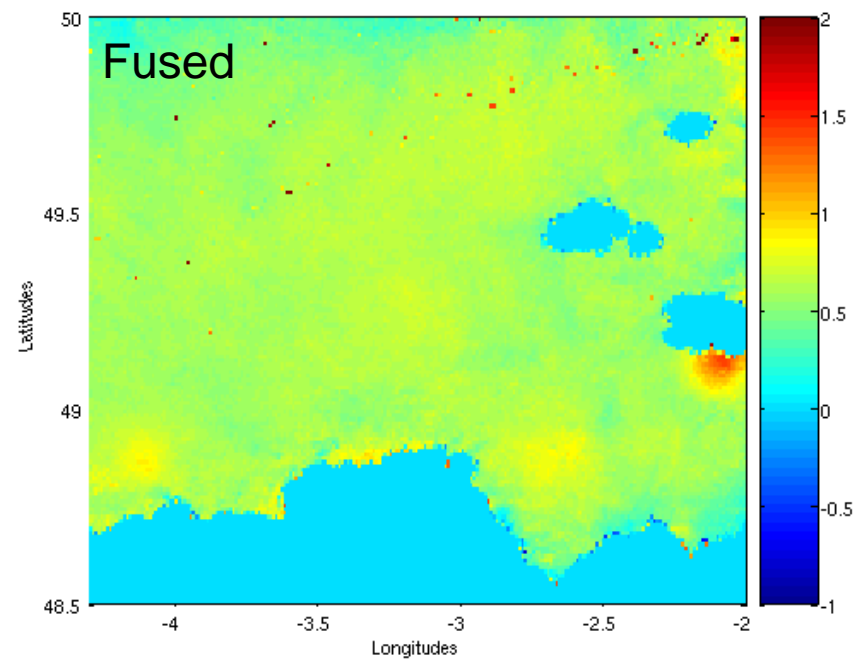
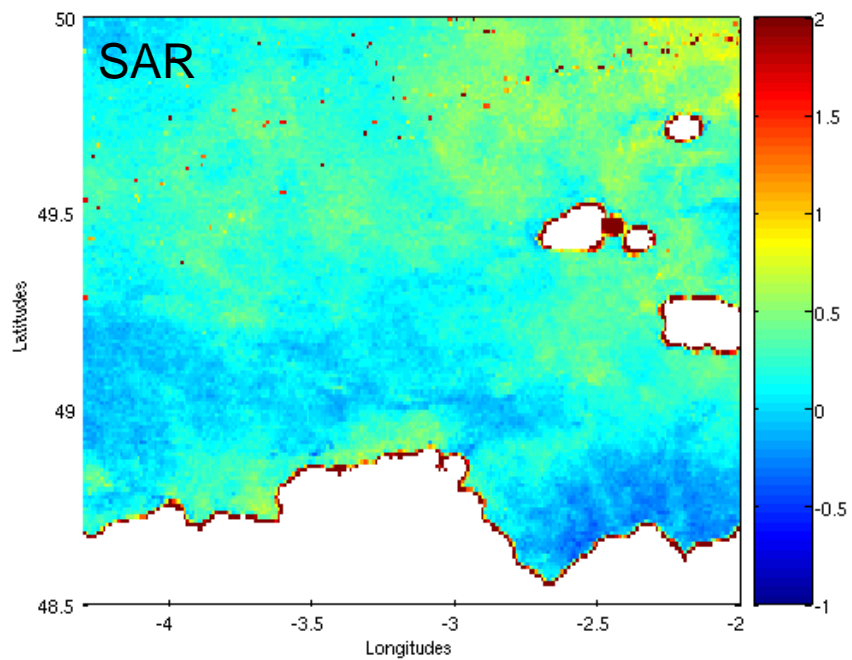


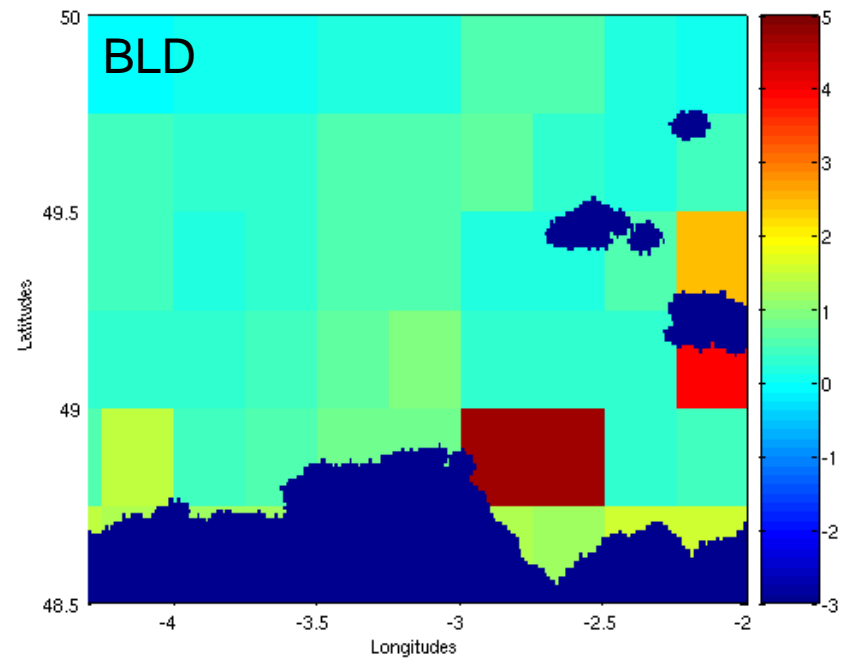
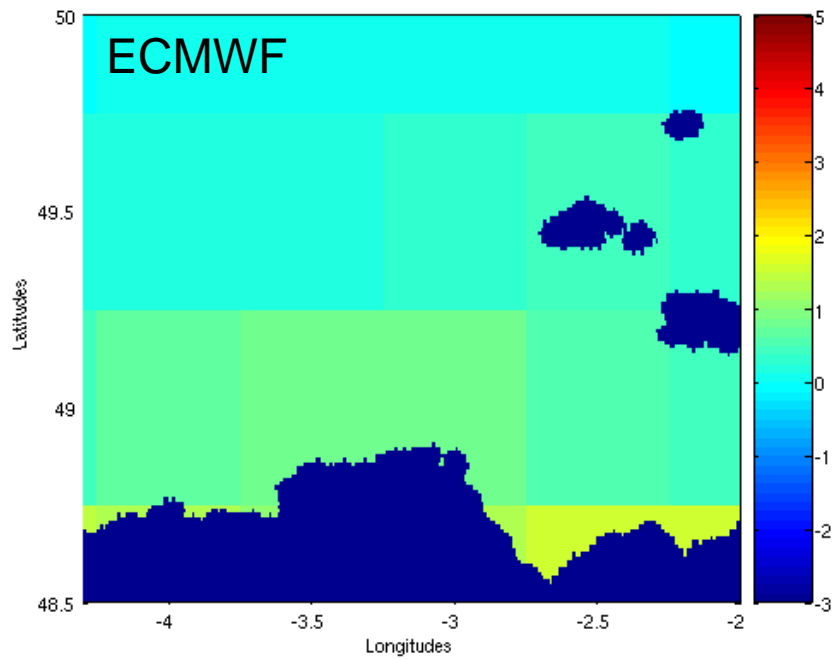
Weibull distribution



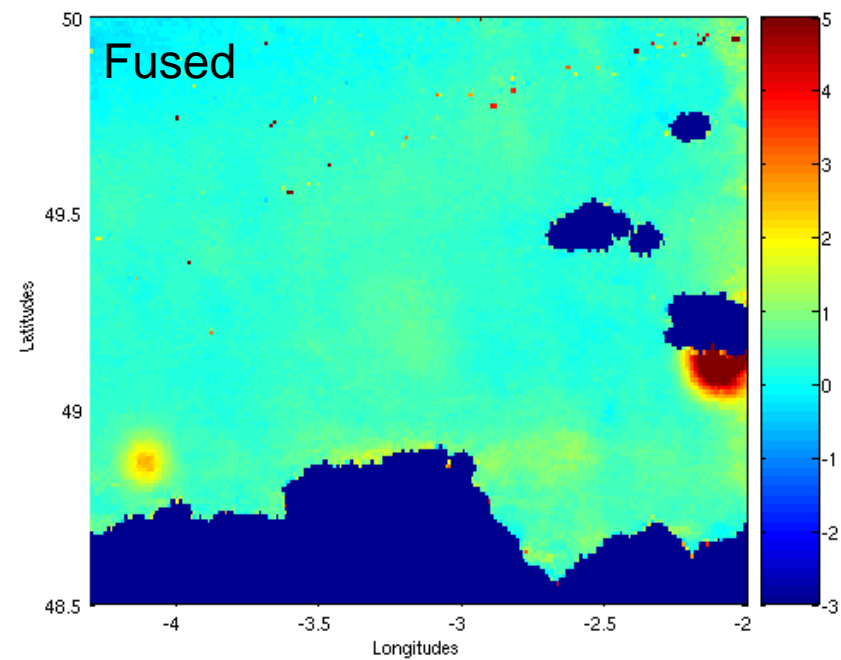
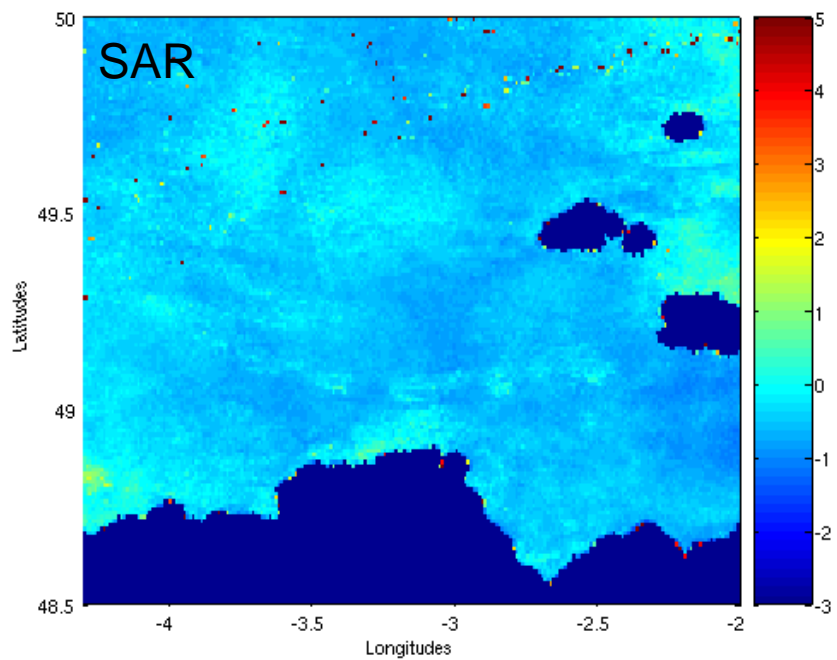


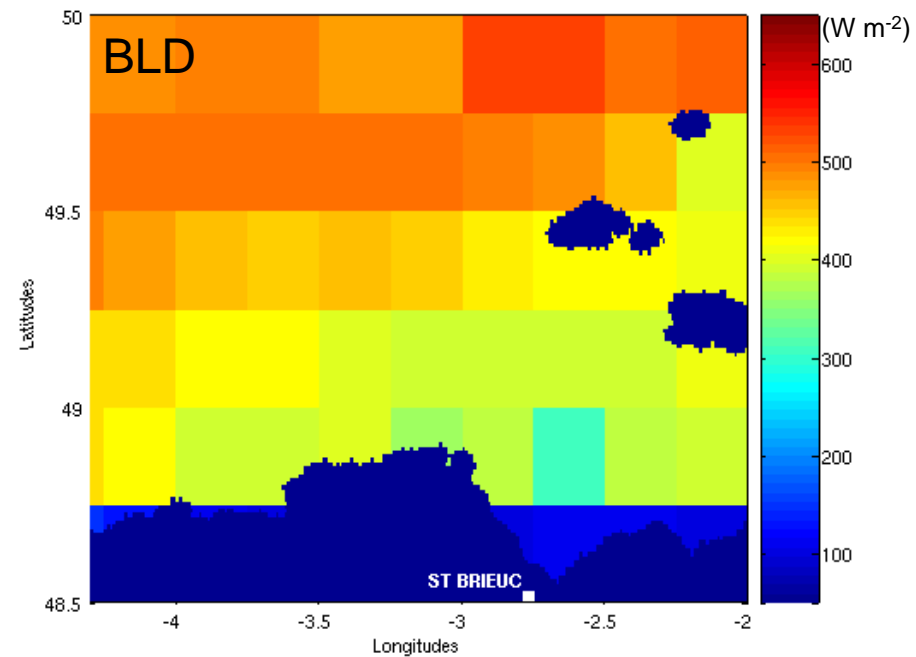
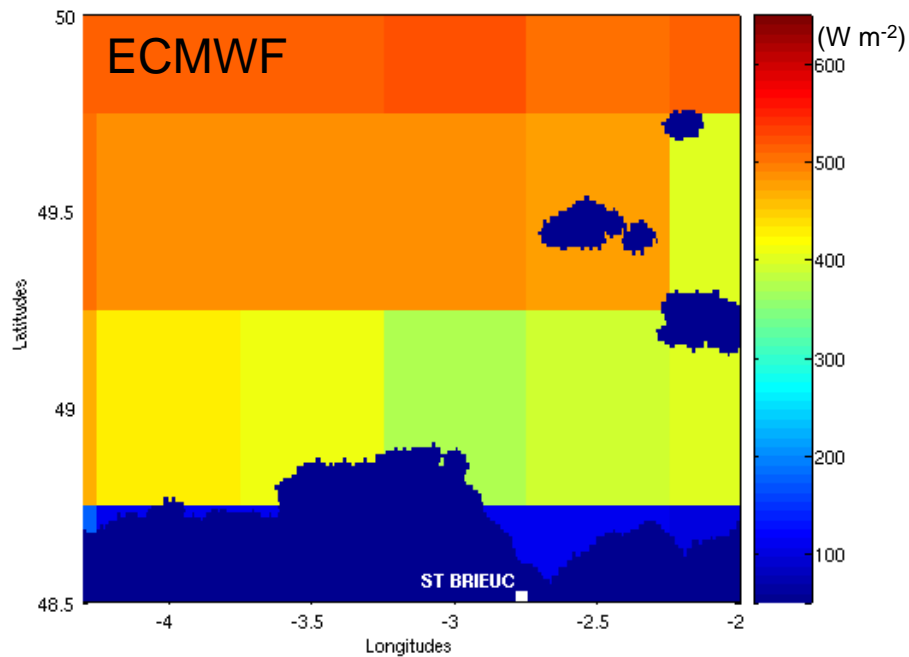
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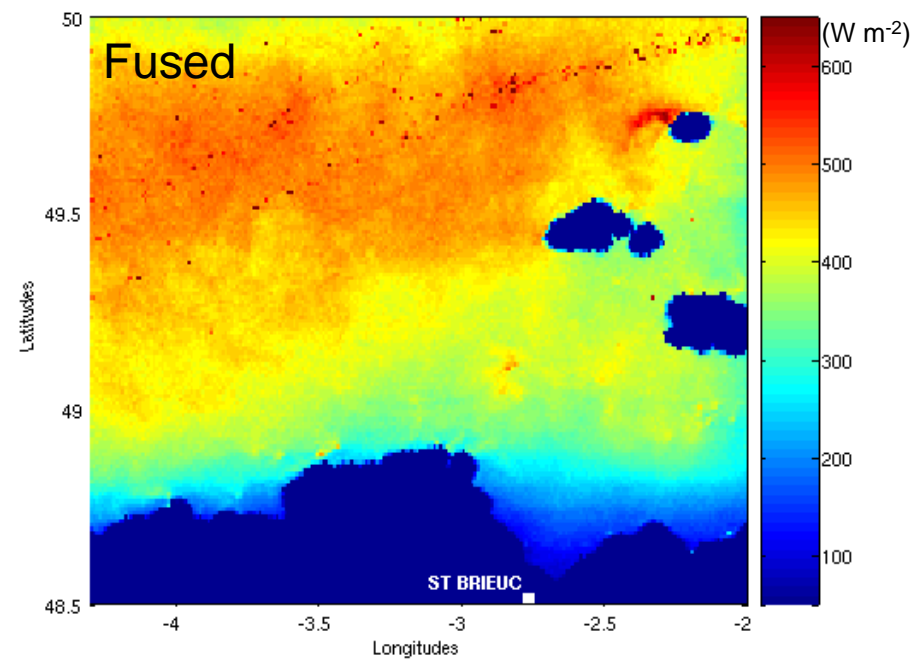


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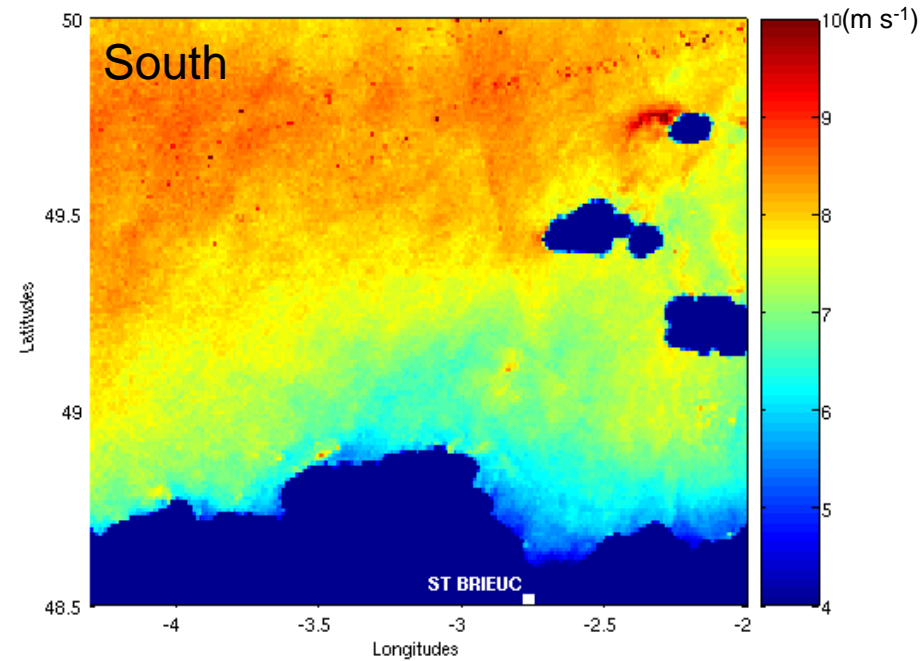
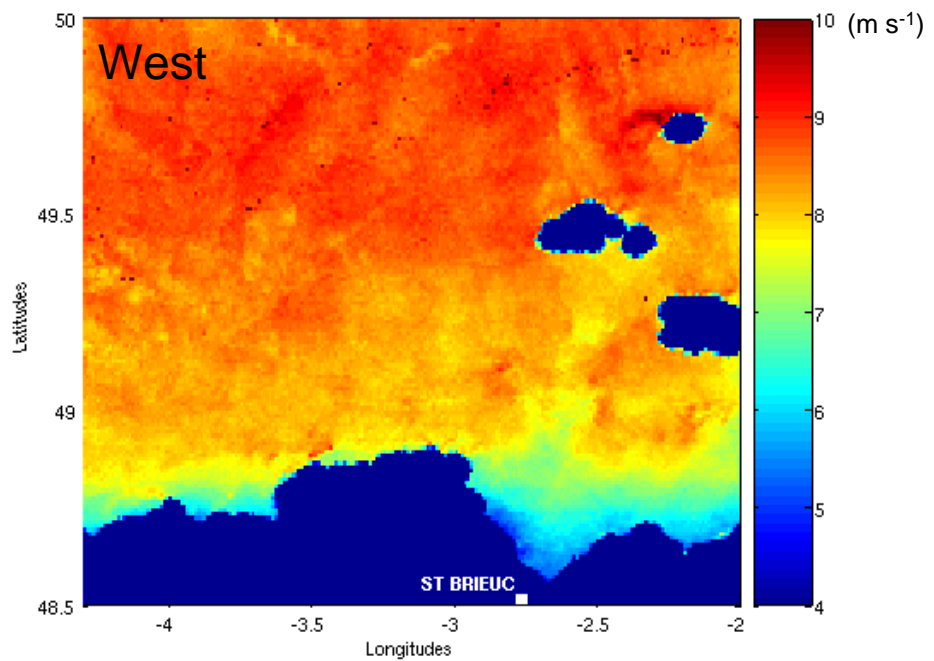
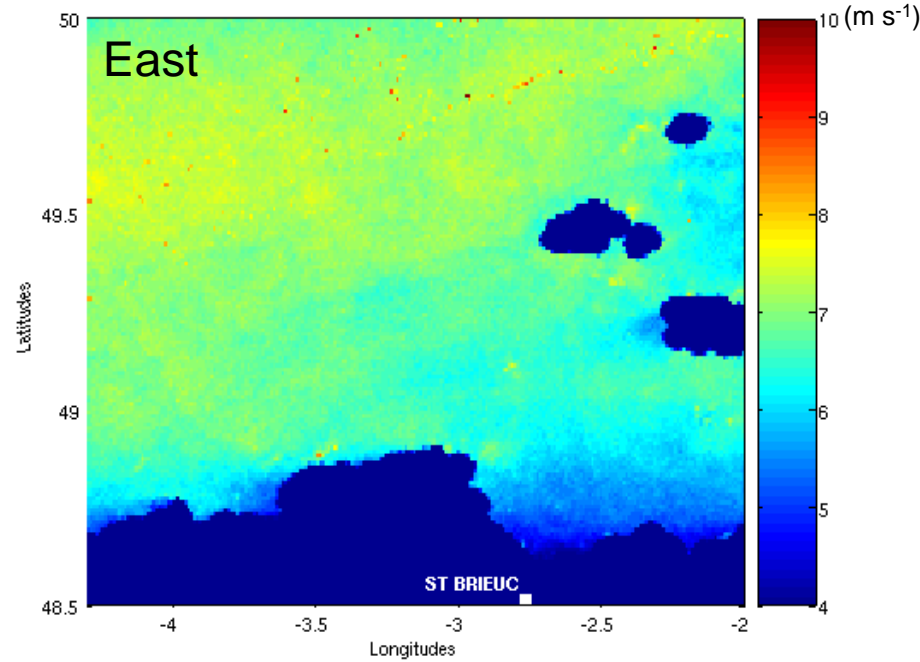
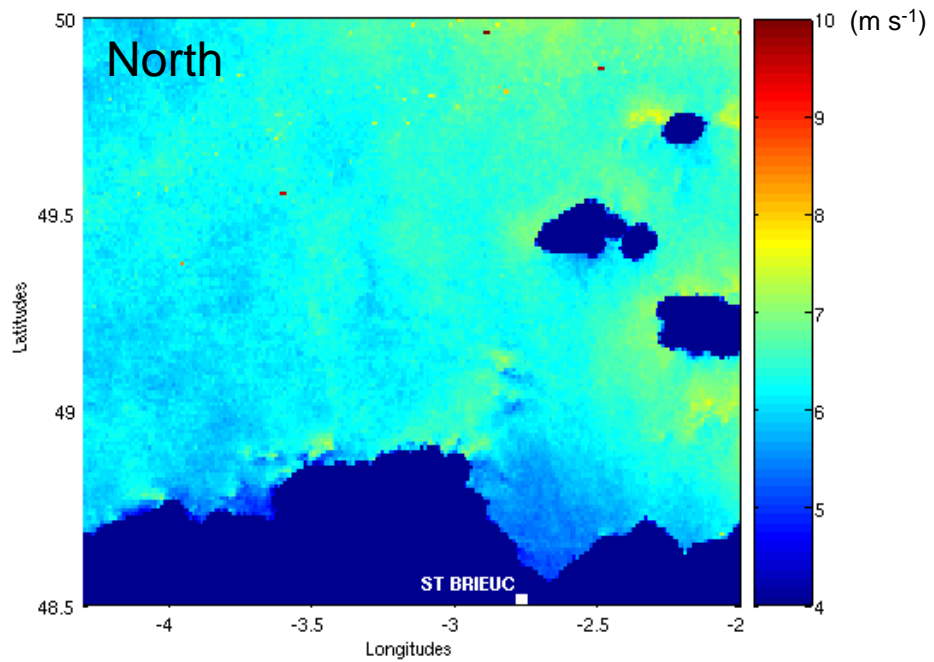


Mean power density

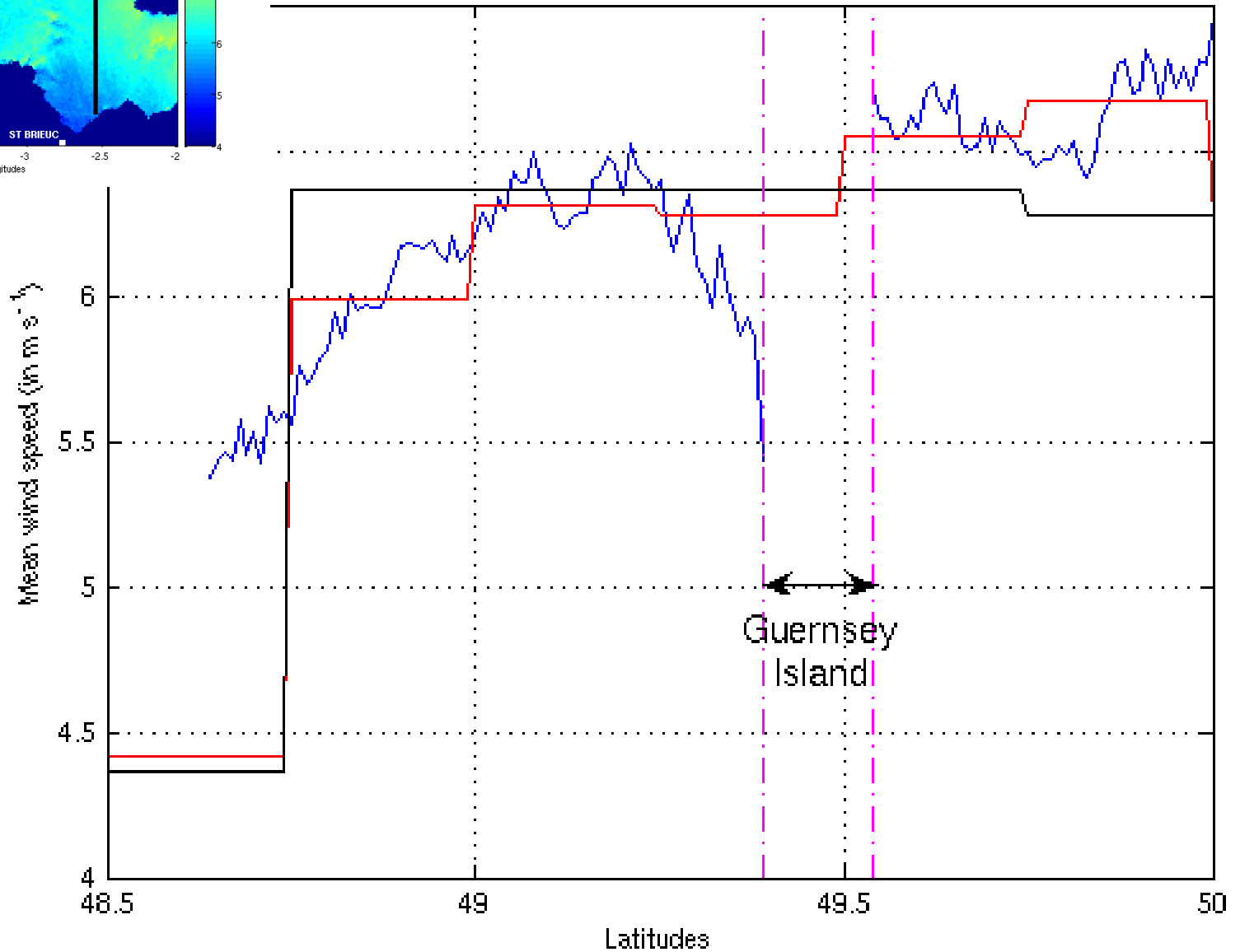
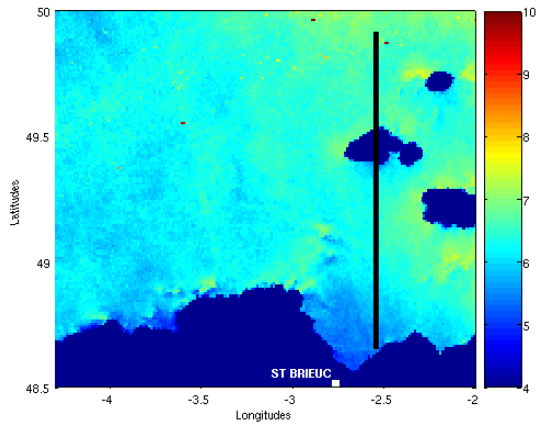


Evaluation according to wind directions

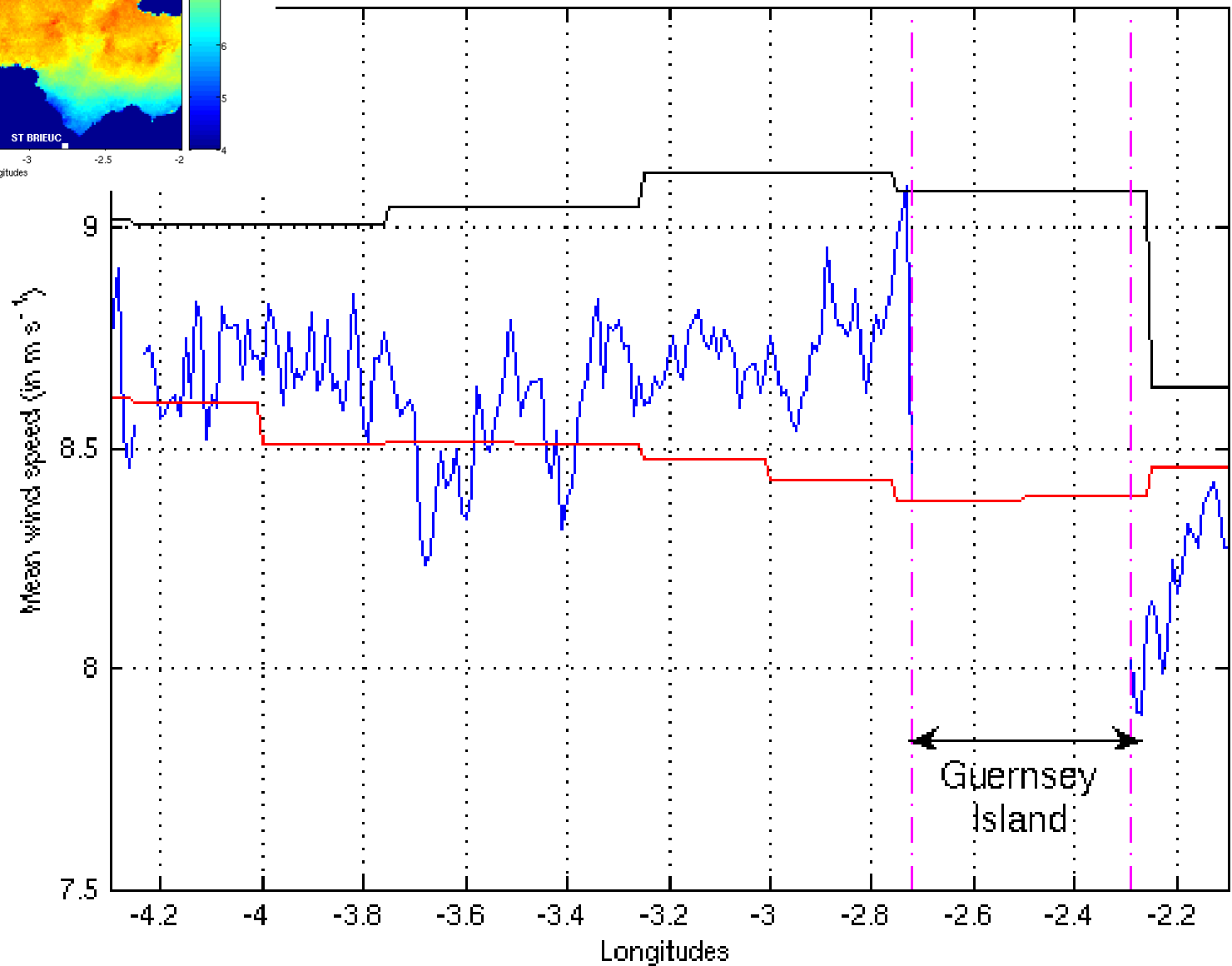
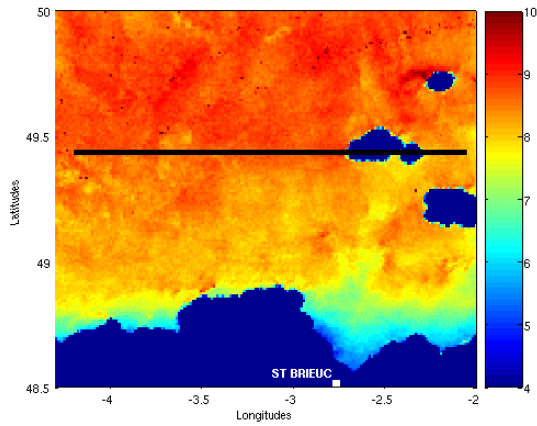
- For each wind direction, we compute the mean.
- We consider wind bins of 90°
 - North winds: 23 %
 - East winds: 22 %
 - South winds: 18 %
 - West winds: 37 %



Winds from the North (23 % of the total)



Winds from the West (37 % of the total)



Conclusions

- The statistical proprieties of the wind series generated using the data fusion method are in agreement with those retrieved at lower spatial resolution.
- The spatial resolution improving was qualitatively evaluated.
- The high spatial resolution generated data permits the retrieval of phenomena not retrieved using lower spatial resolution data.
- These results have to be evaluated, by a comparison to *in situ* data or models with similar spatial resolution.