

[BIOSWOT-Med]: SPASSO Images Analysis

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Executive Summary

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1 Ongoing operations and upcoming stations

SWOT passing time (UTC) over:

| 43°N - 5°E Asc | 42.7°N - 4.8°E Asc |

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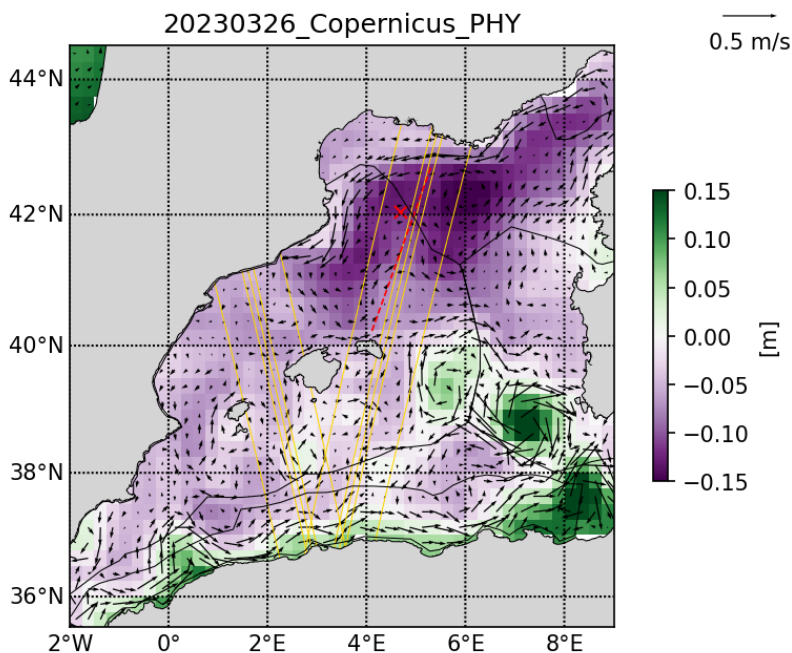
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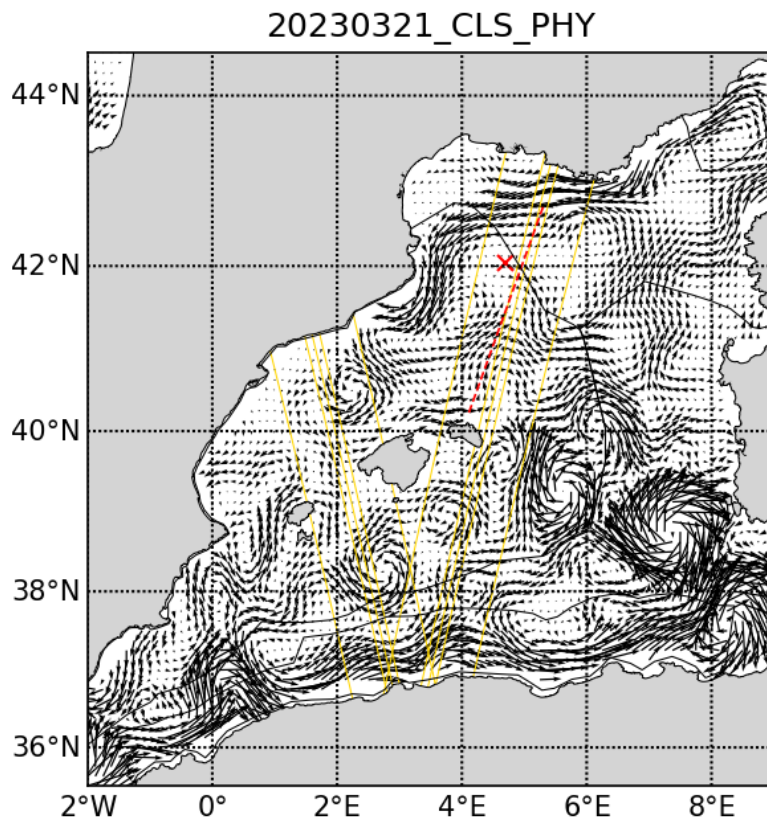
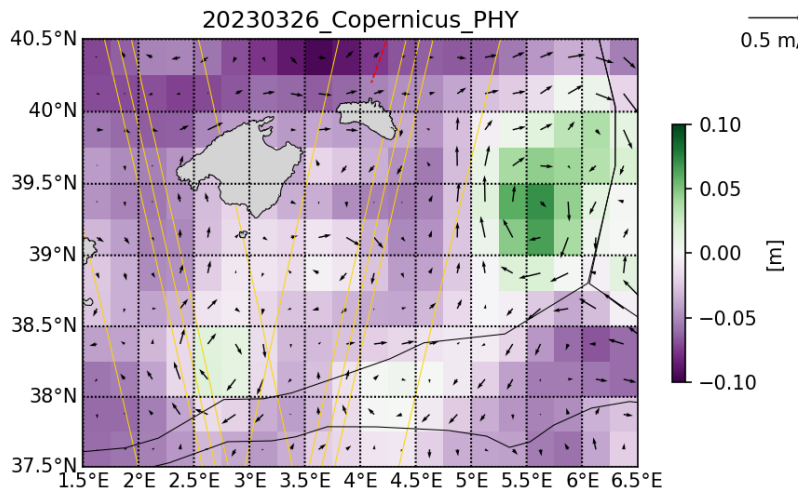
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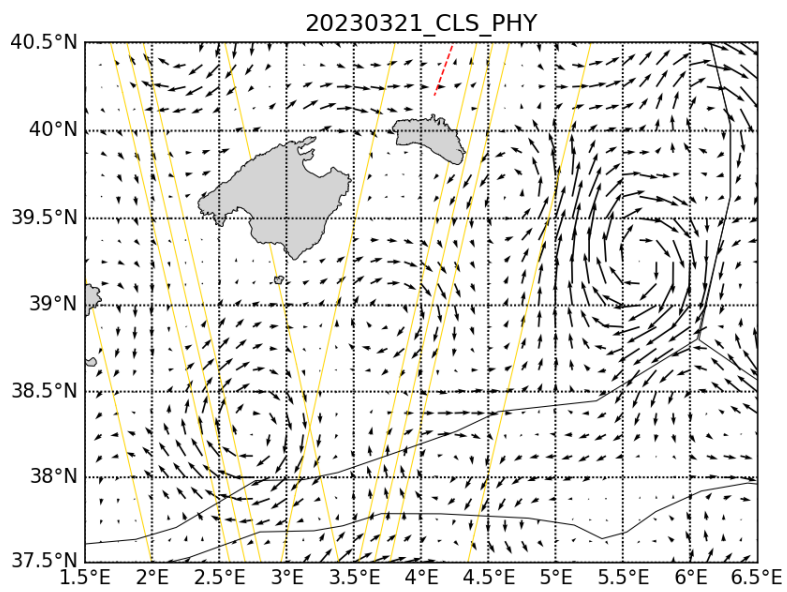
2 Daily figures analysis

2.1 Altimetry, derived currents

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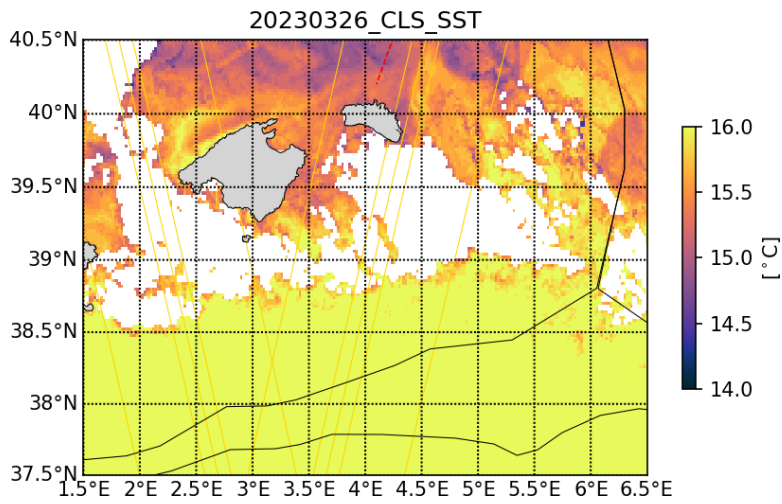
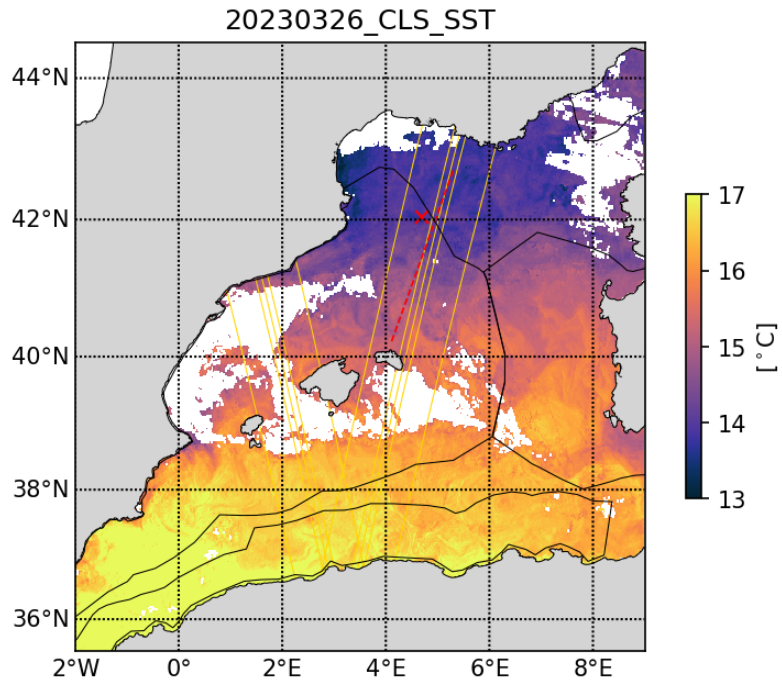






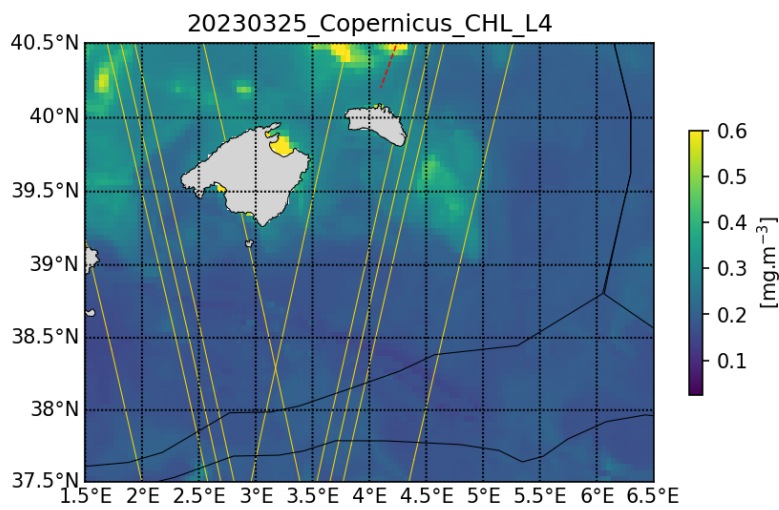
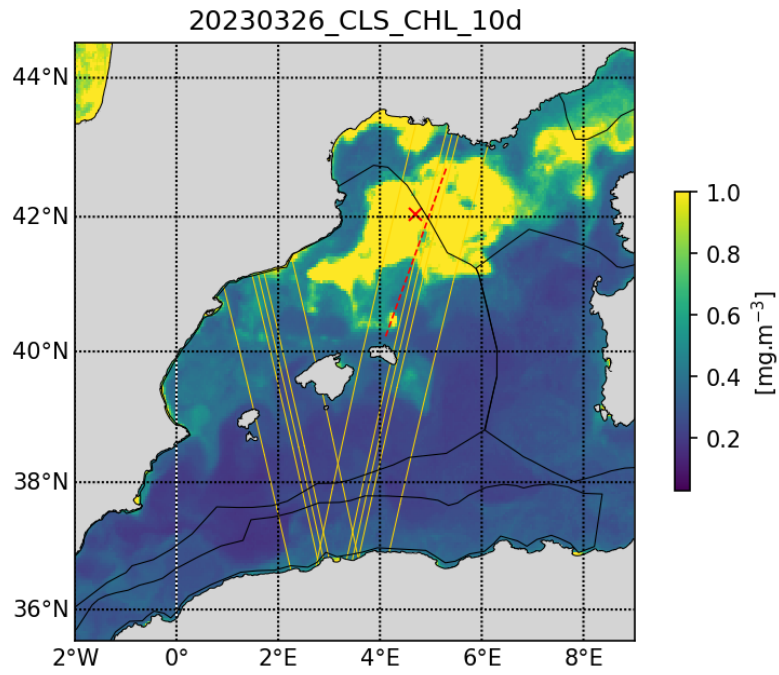
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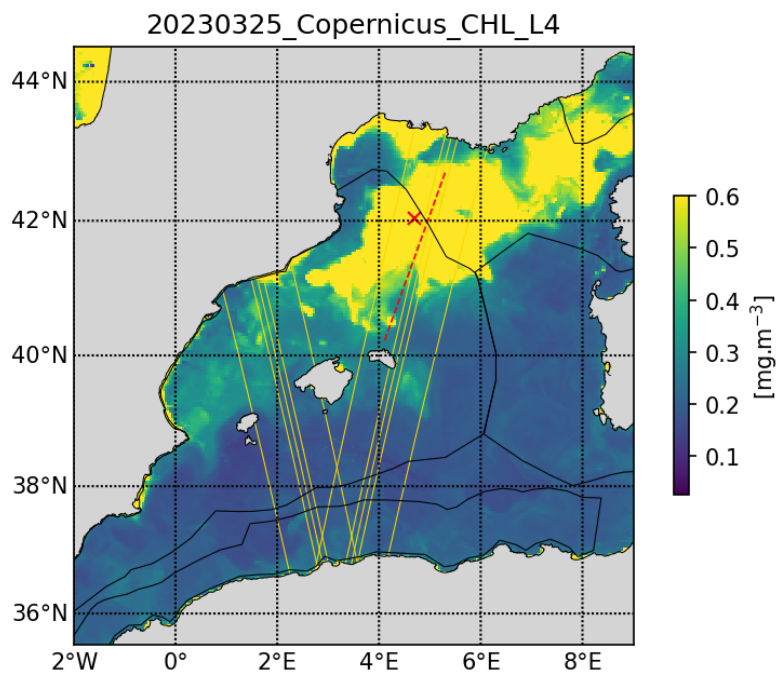
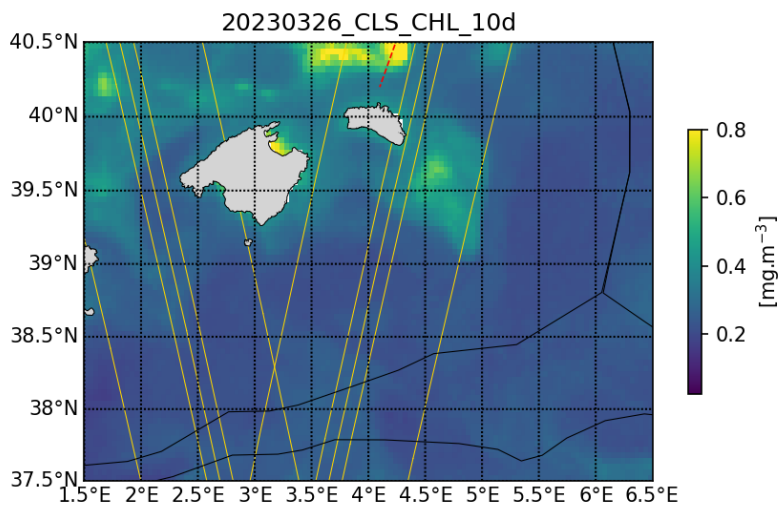
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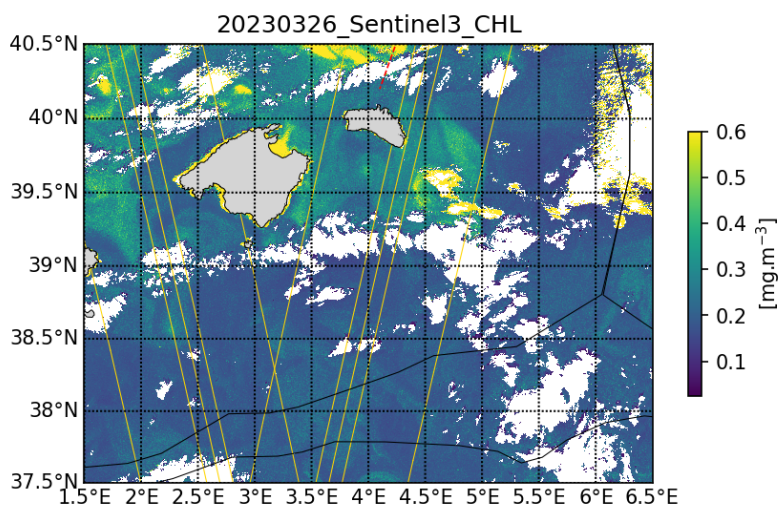
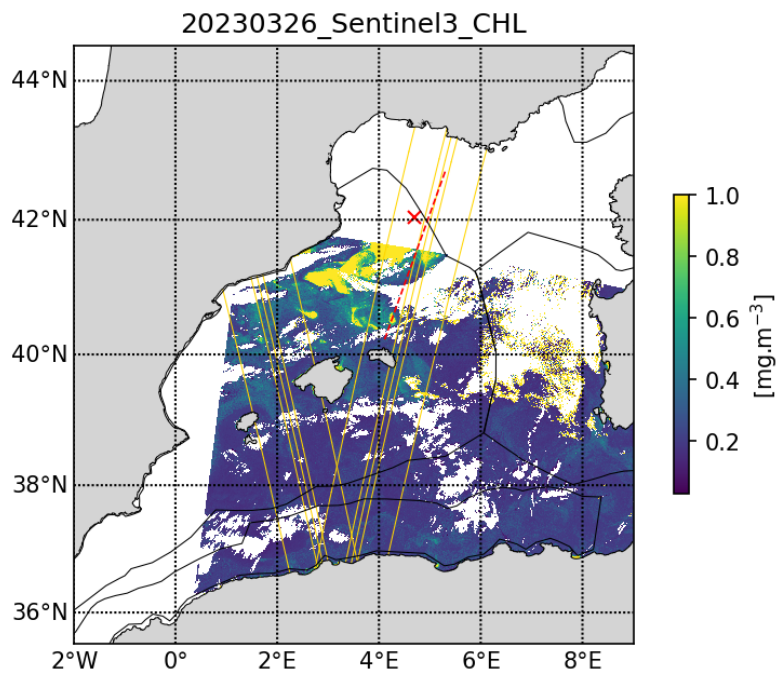


2.3 Chlorophyll analysis

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2.4 Eulerian/Lagrangian analysis

Eulerian diagnostics computed with Copernicus_PHY velocities:

KE: kinetic energy

OW: Okubo-Weiss parameter

Lagrangian diagnostics computed by seeding Lagrangian particles every 0.02deg and advected for 30 days backward in time with Copernicus_PHY velocities:

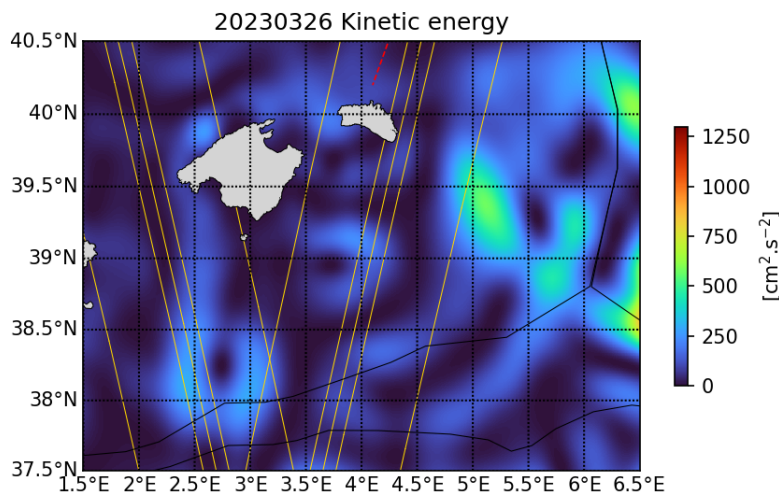
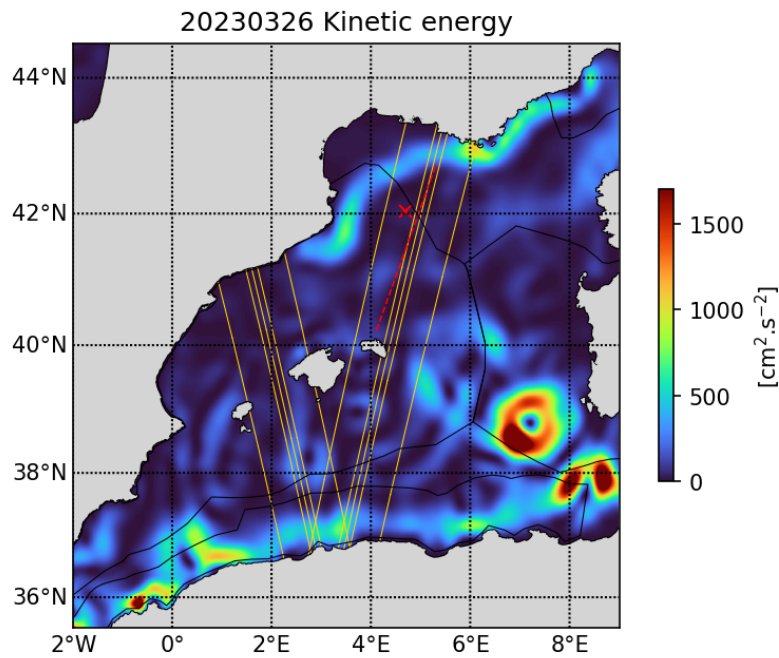
FTLE: finite time Lyapunov exponents (convergent fronts detection)

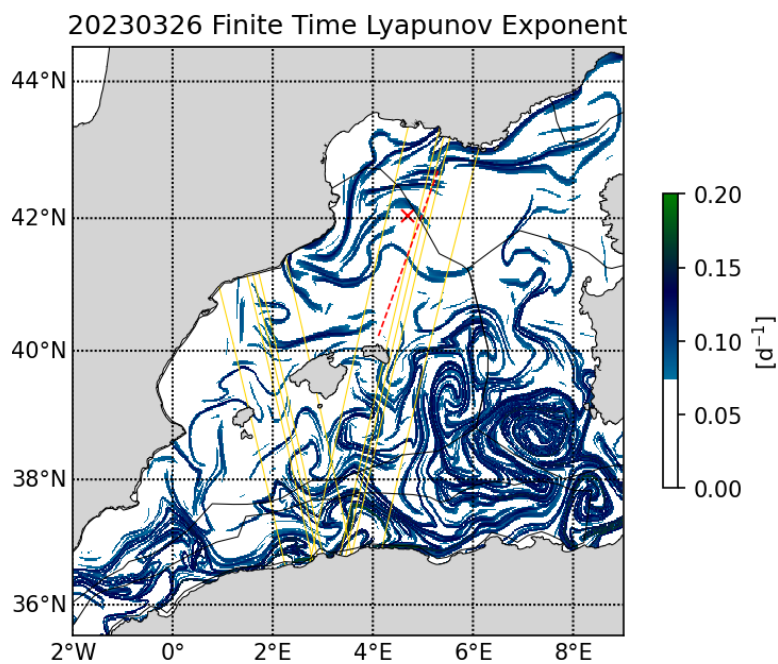
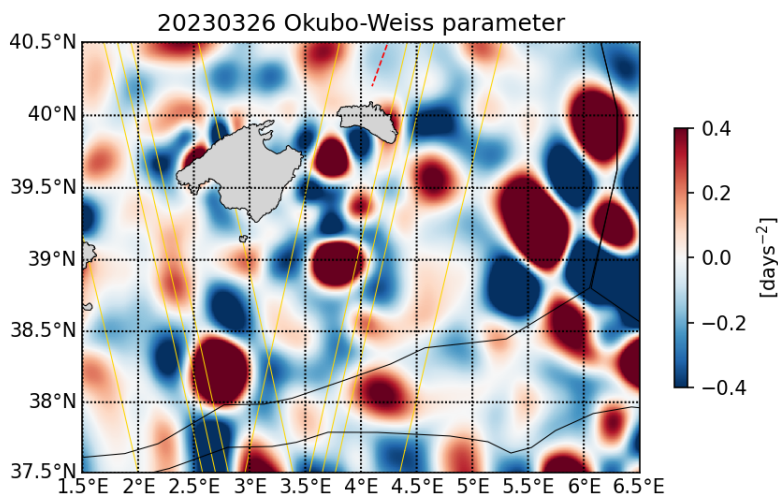
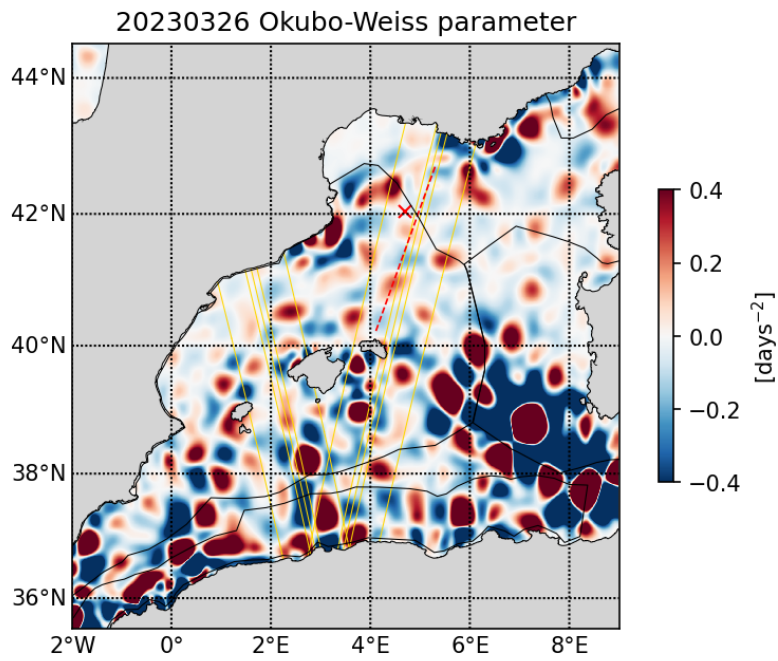
LLADV: longitude and latitude advection

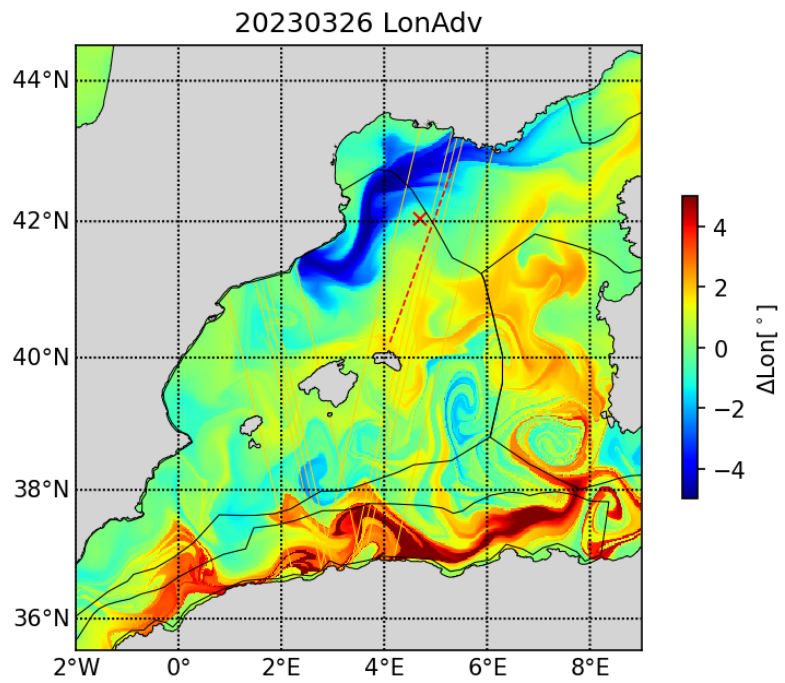
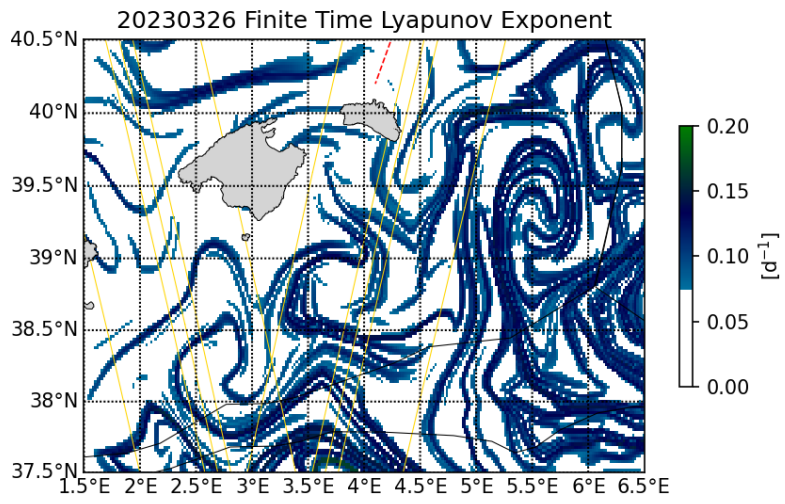
Retention parameter (based on computing the okubo Weiss parameter along a particle trajectory): Detect trapping structures (colorbar = days water parcels have a positive vorticity)

Timefrombathy: Water age since last contact with isobath XXm (precised in figure title)

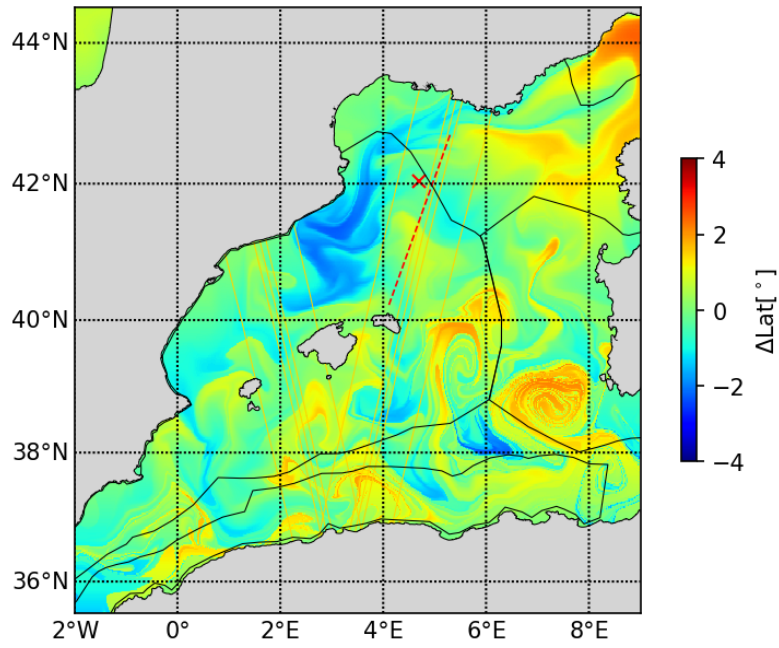
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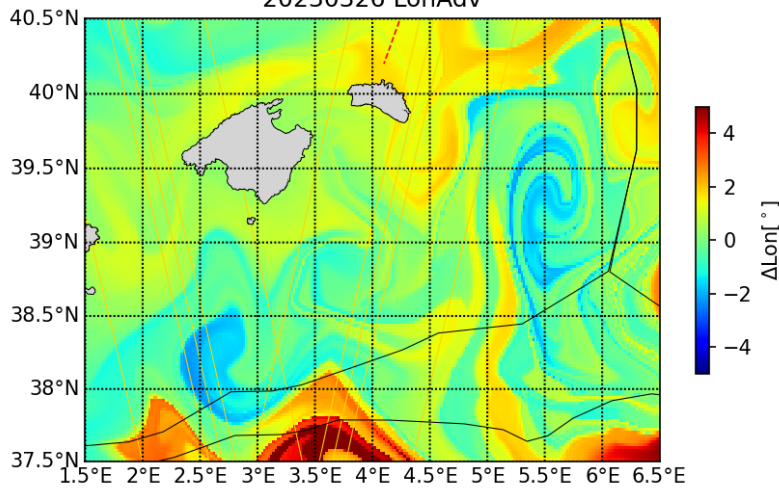




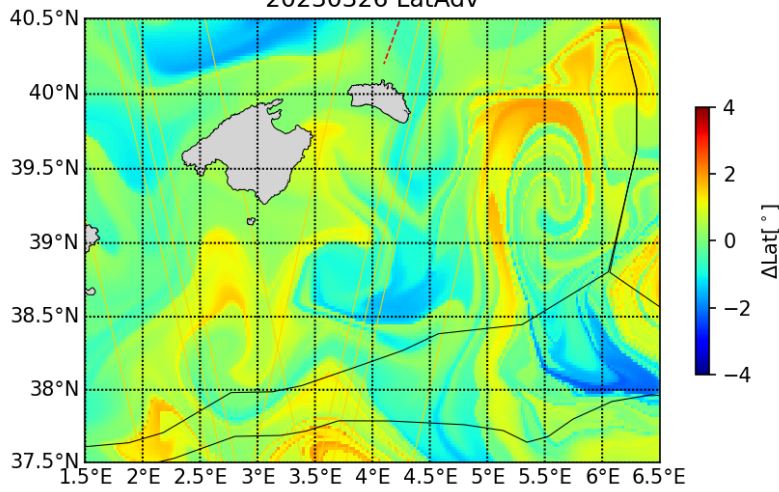
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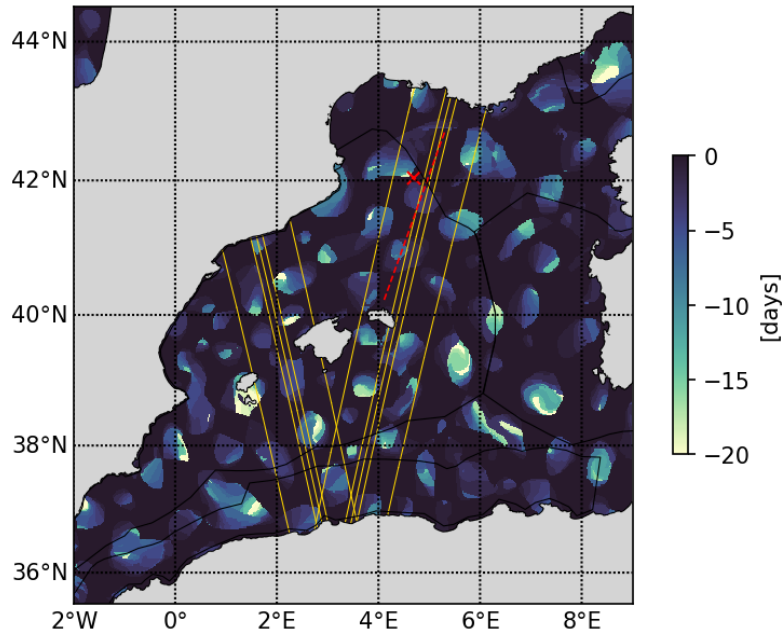
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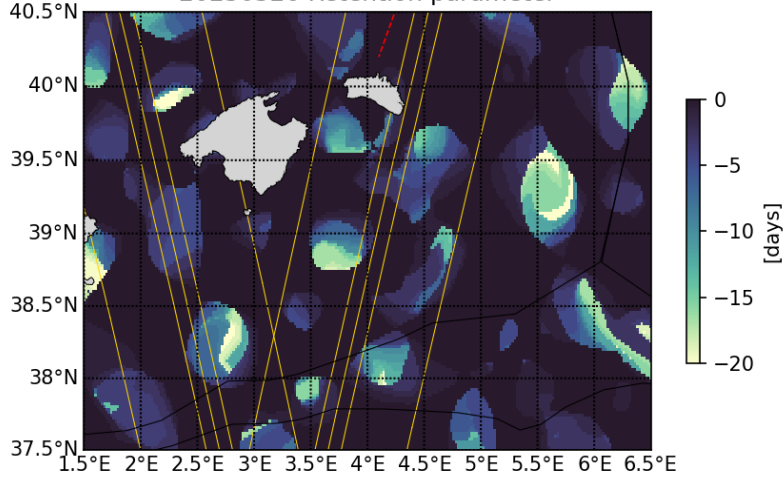
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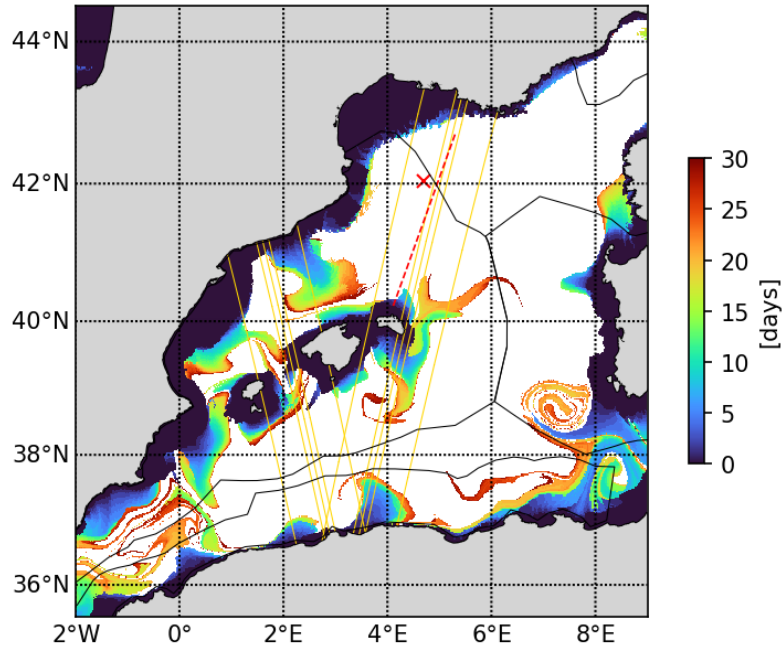
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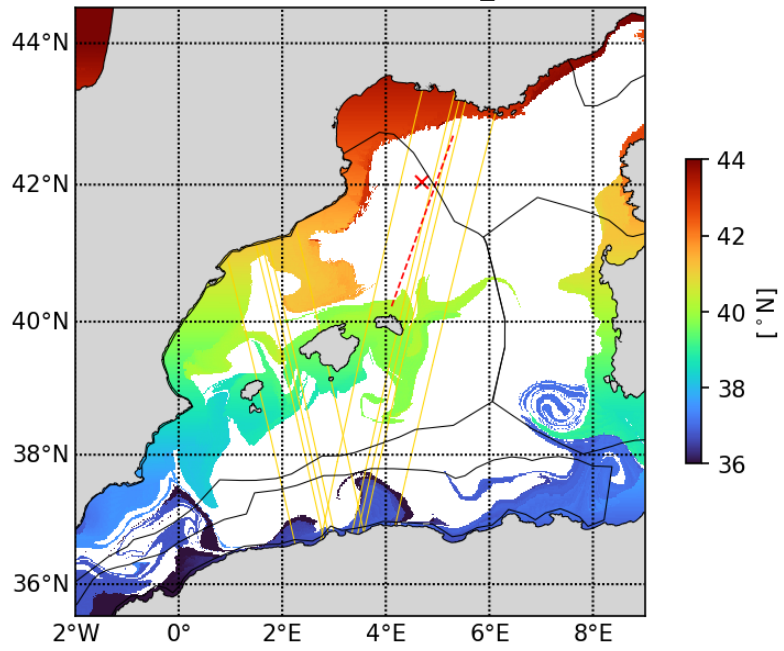
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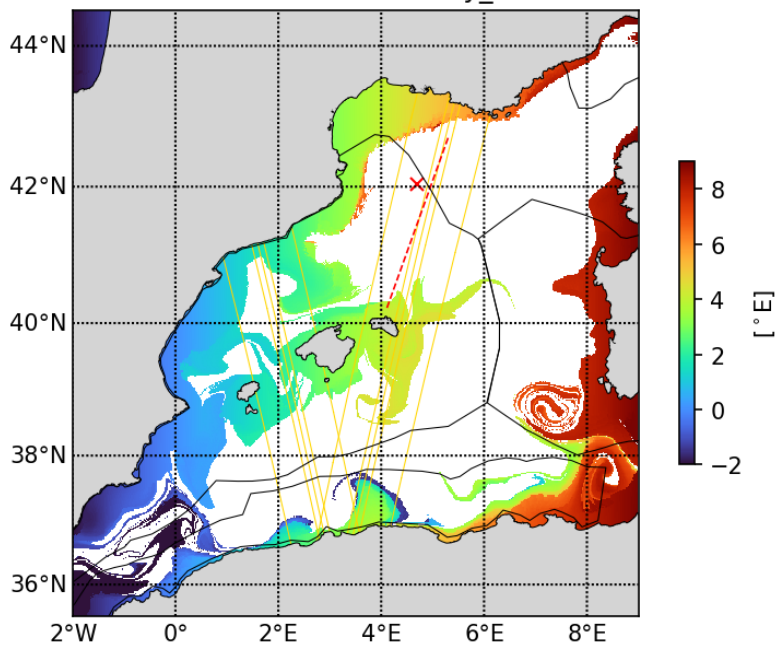
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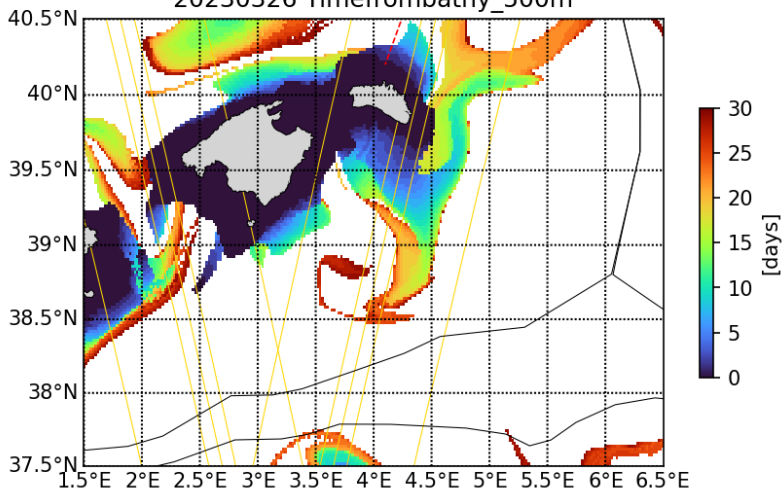
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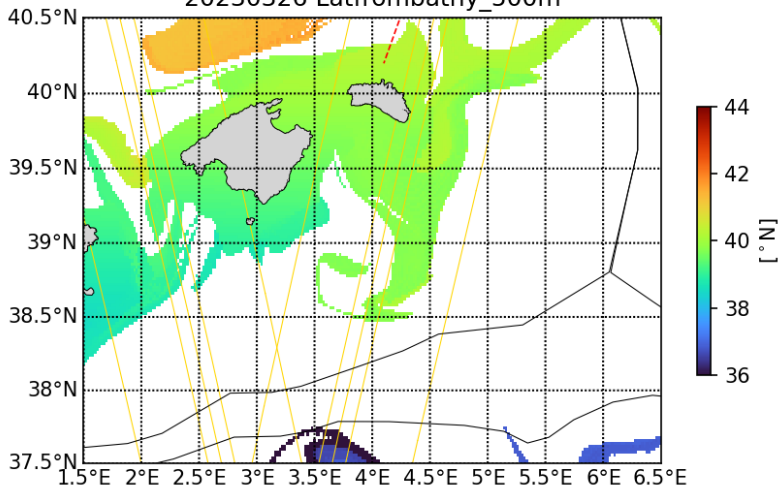
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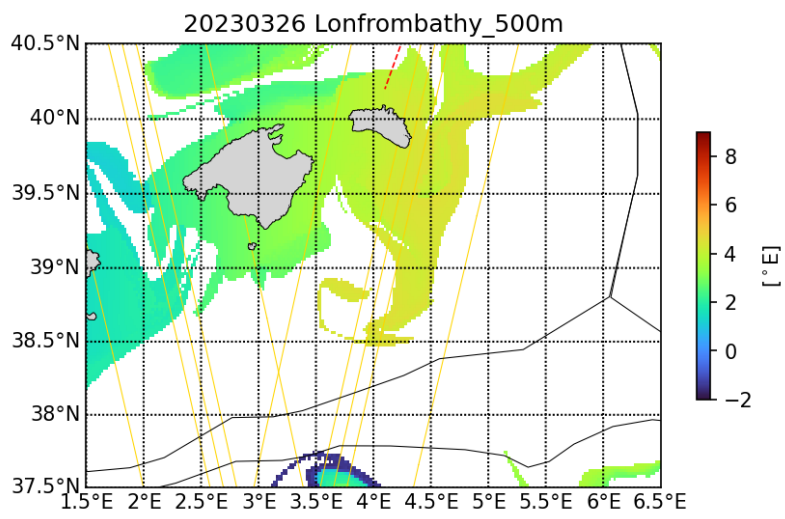


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2.5 Other analysis

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Acknowledgments

Example:

The altimetry data are the AVISO Mediterranean regional product: <http://www.aviso.altimetry.fr/index.php?id=1275>. The derived currents are processed by SPASSO to derive Eulerian and Lagrangian diagnostics of ocean circulation: OkuboWeiss parameter, particle retention time and advection, Lagrangian Coherent Structures. CLS provided the SST and surface CHL concentration composite products. Sea surface temperature (level 3 and 4, 1 km resolution) and chlorophyll concentration (level 3, 1km resolution, MODISAqua and NPPVIIRS sensors combined (after May 27, 2017) into a new product called MULTI) have been provided by CMEMS Copernicus Marine Environment Monitoring Service (<http://marine.copernicus.eu>). Another SST product (level 4, composite, 1 km resolution) is provided by the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL), Pasadena, CA. SPASSO is operated with the support of the SIP (Service Informatique de Pythéas) and in particular C. Yohia, J. Lecubin. D. Zevaco and C. Blanpain (Institut Pythéas, Marseille, France).