Weddell Gyre circulation and water mass formation

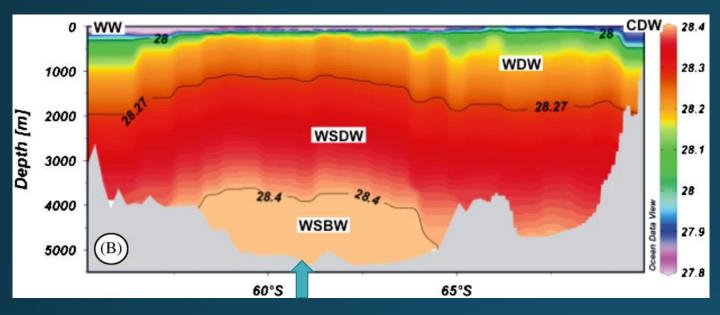
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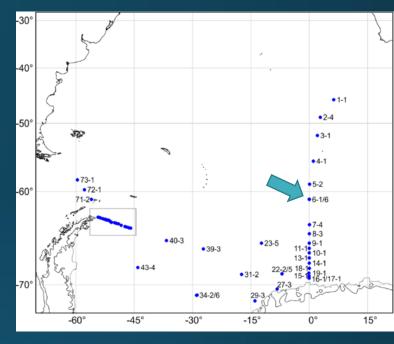
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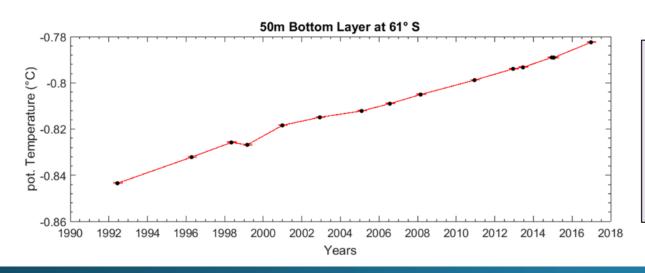


Weddell Sea Bottom Water

- decadal warming trend





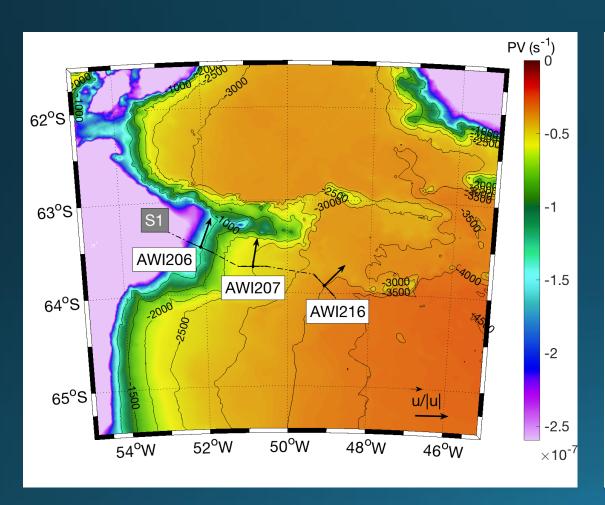


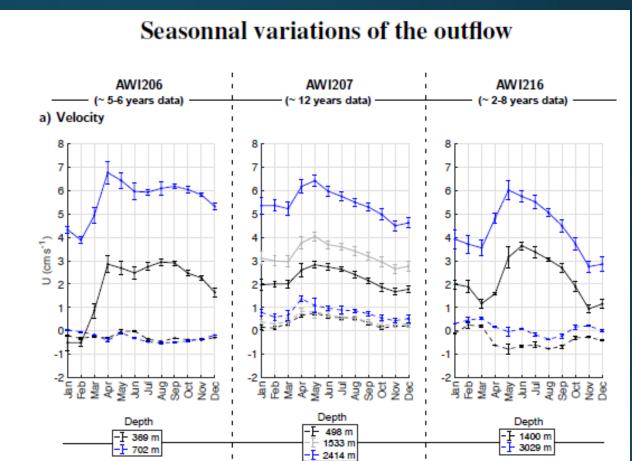
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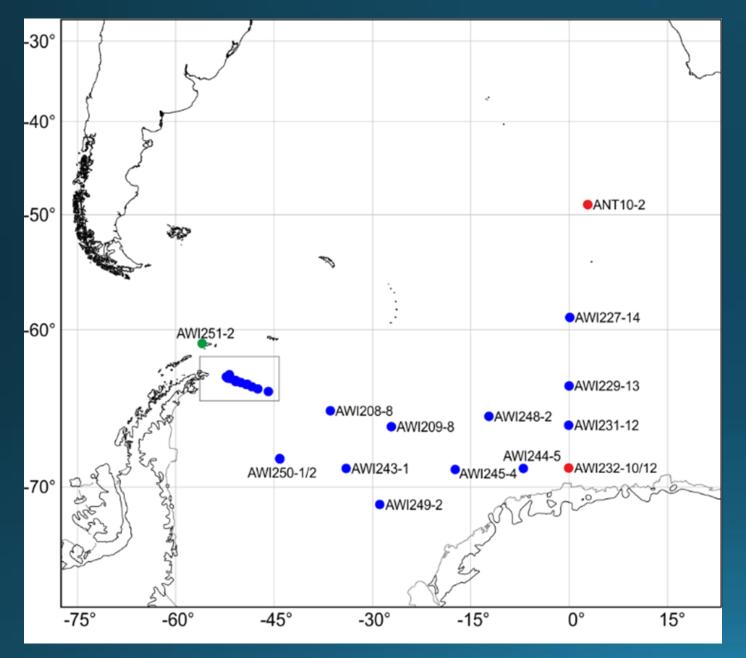
0.061°C increase in 25 years

or 0.024°C per decade

Weddell Sea Deep Water - seasonal variability of outflow

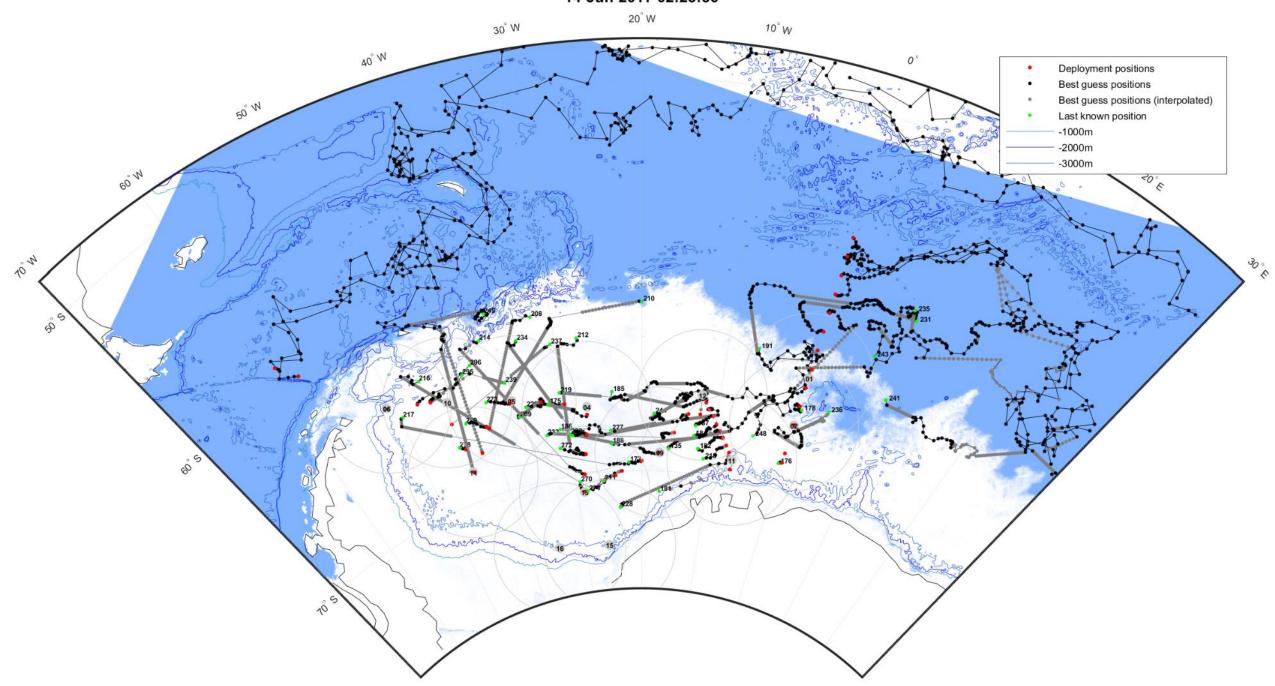




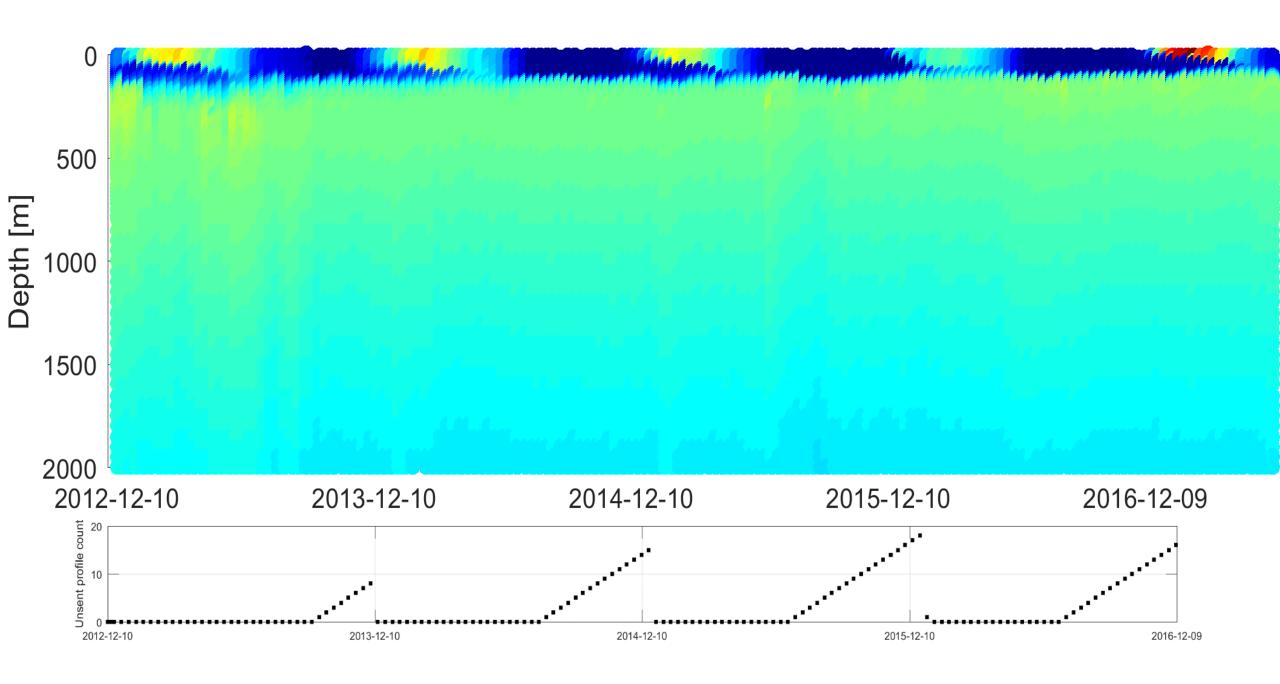


- Moorings with
 - (Bottom) TS logger
 - (Bottom) Current Meter
 - ADCPs
 - Passive Acoustic Recorders
 - Sound Sources
- > Ice resilient Argo Floats
- Repeat CTD section / single casts
- > VM-ADCP and thermosalinograph
- Turn around every 2(3) years,
- > 4h station time per operation

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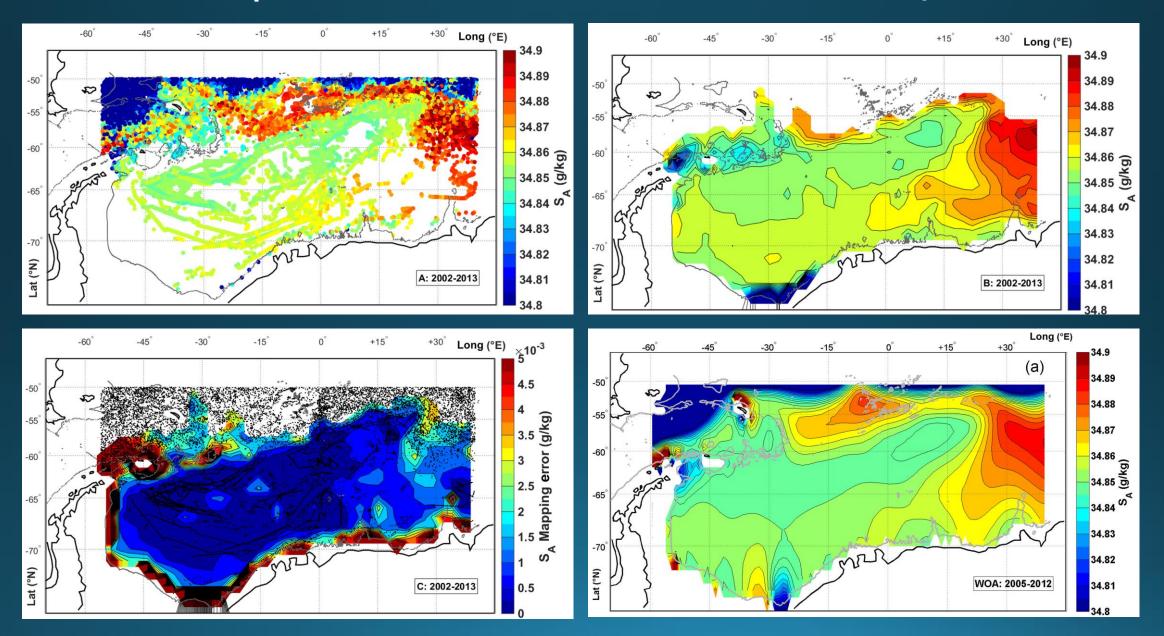


Float 243 @ 08-Jun-2017 02:48:15 (Antarctica)



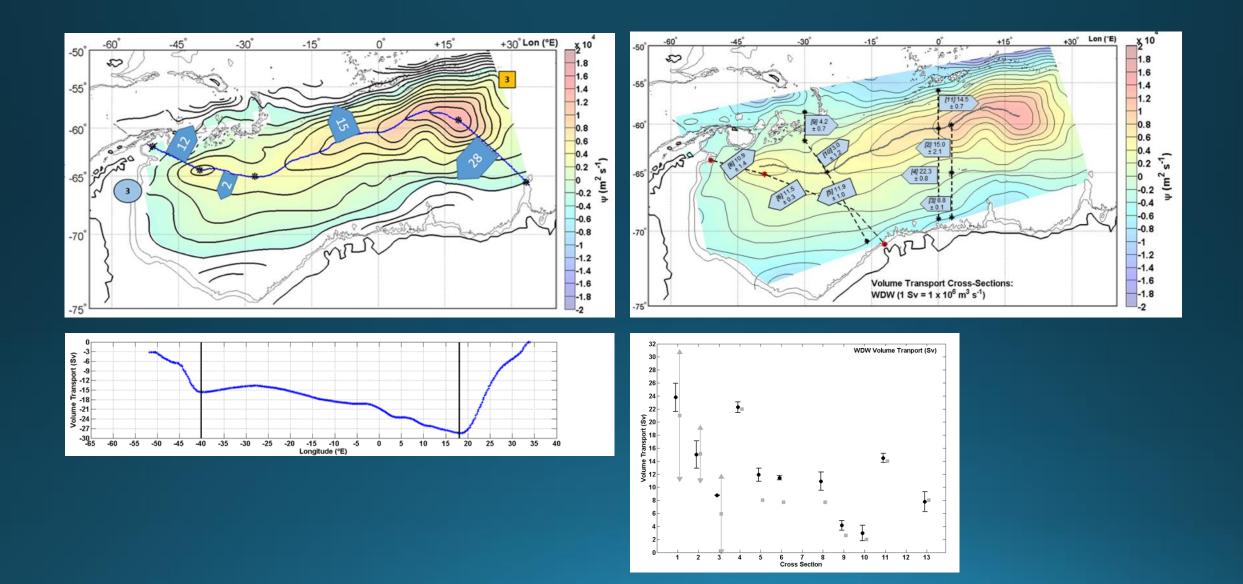
Warm Deep Water

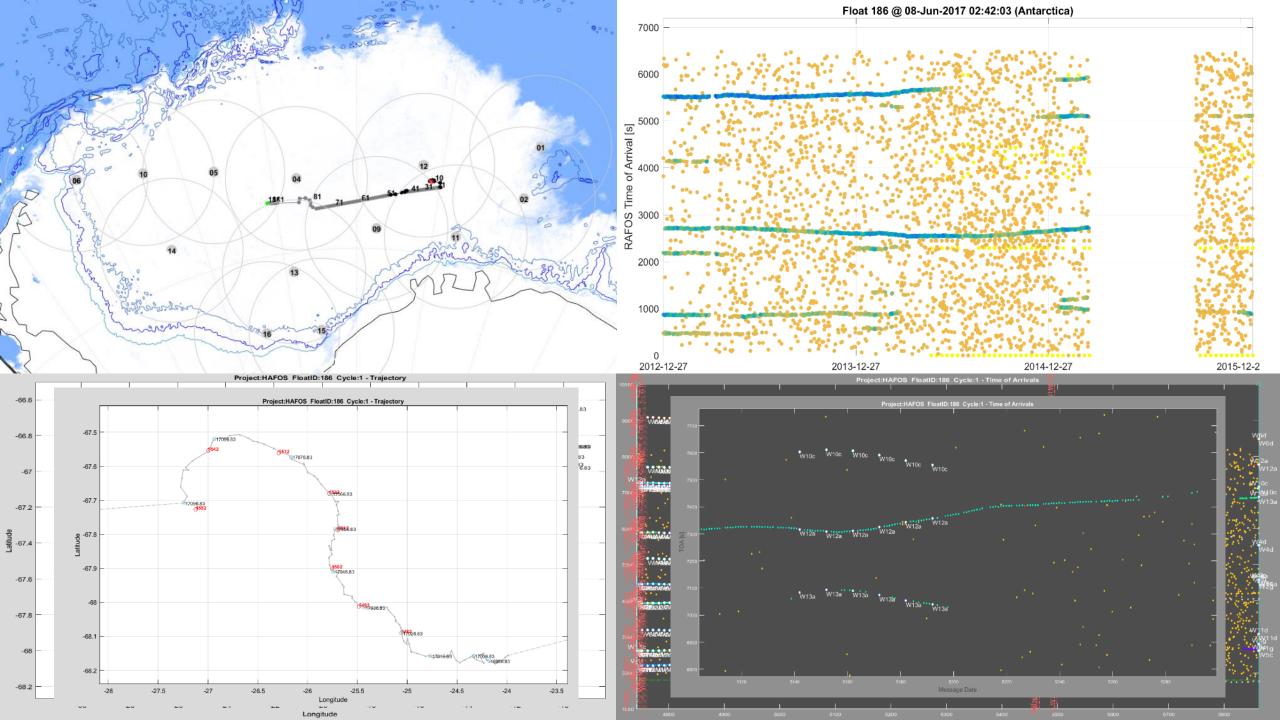
- absolute salinity @ 800m



Warm Deep Water

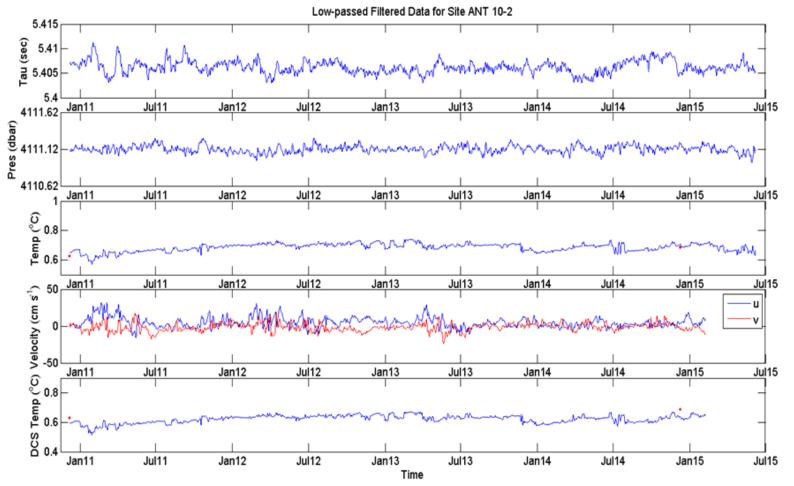
- transport and circulation





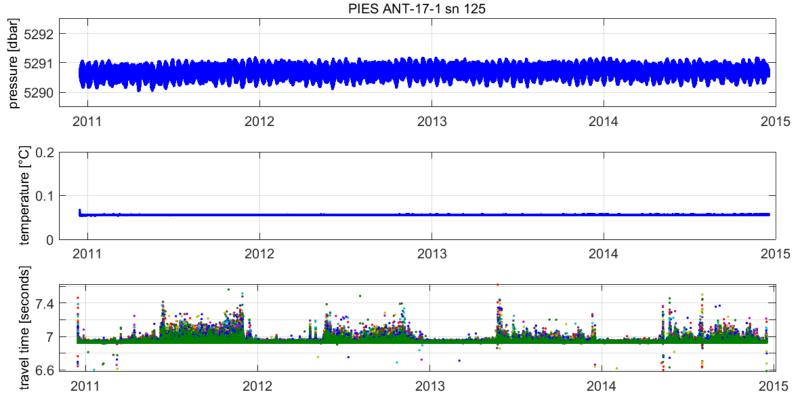
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The ACC - fluctuations of the inflow

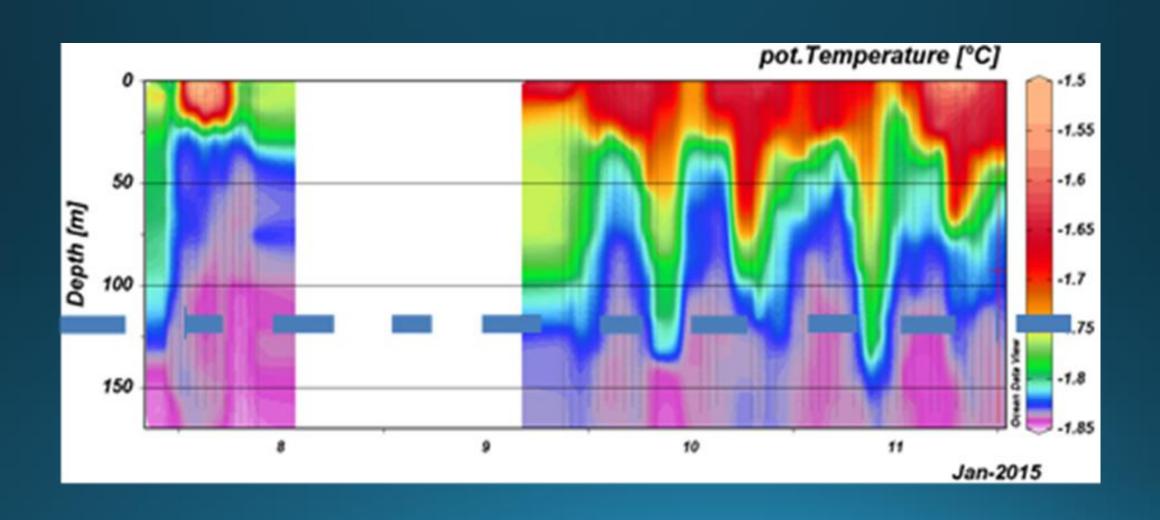


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The ACC - fluctuations of the inflow



The outflow from under the shelf





Operational challenges



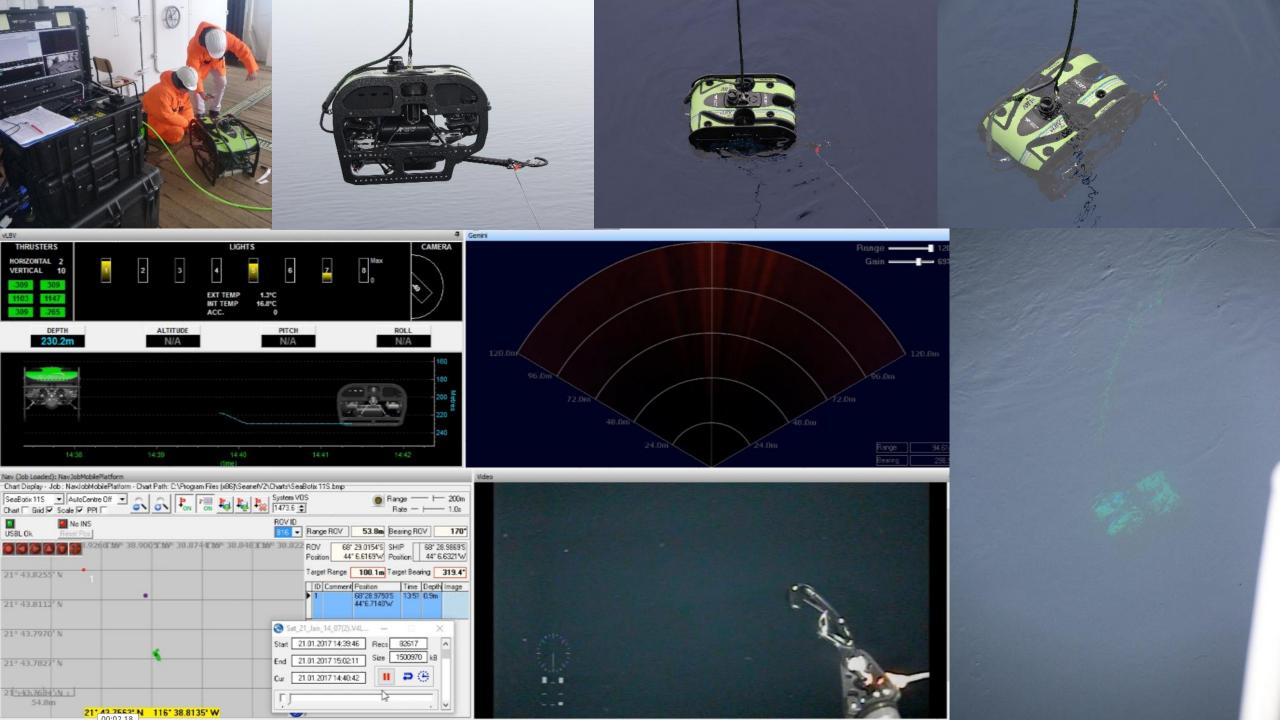


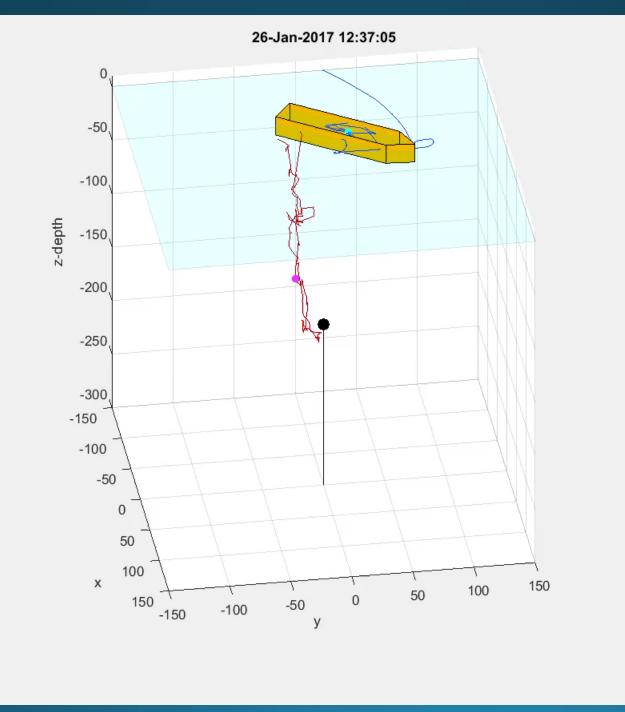


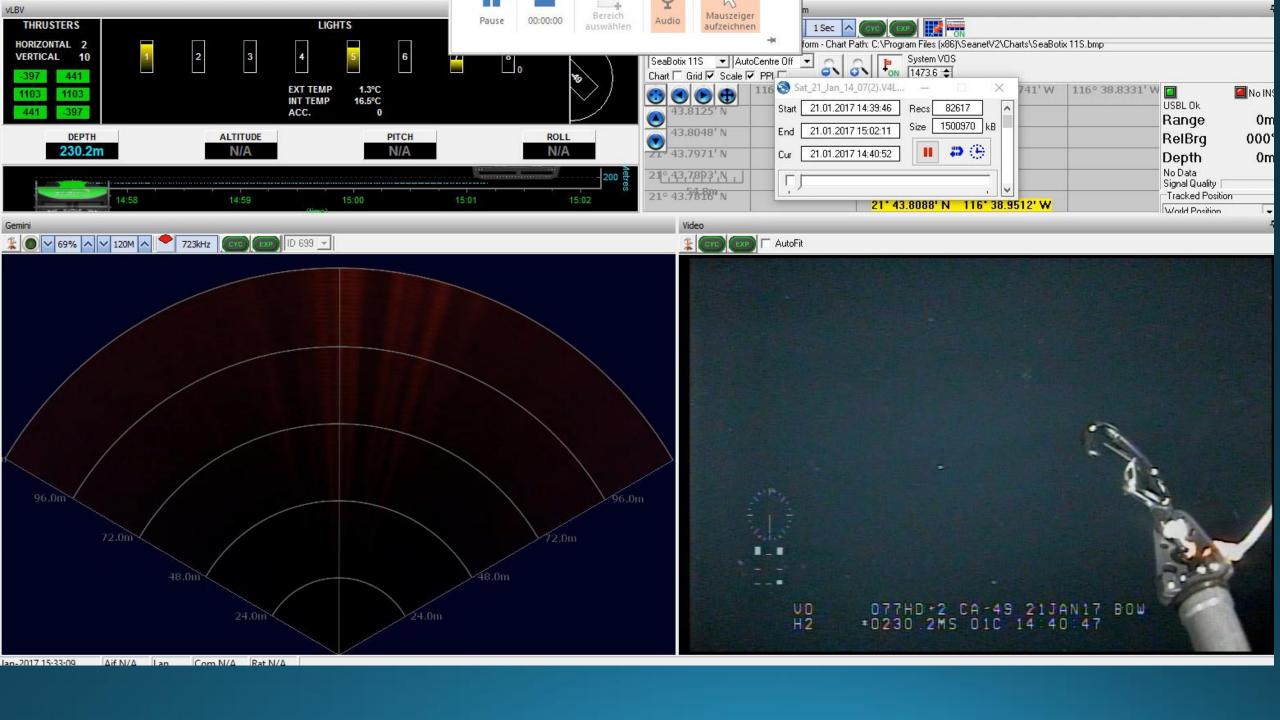


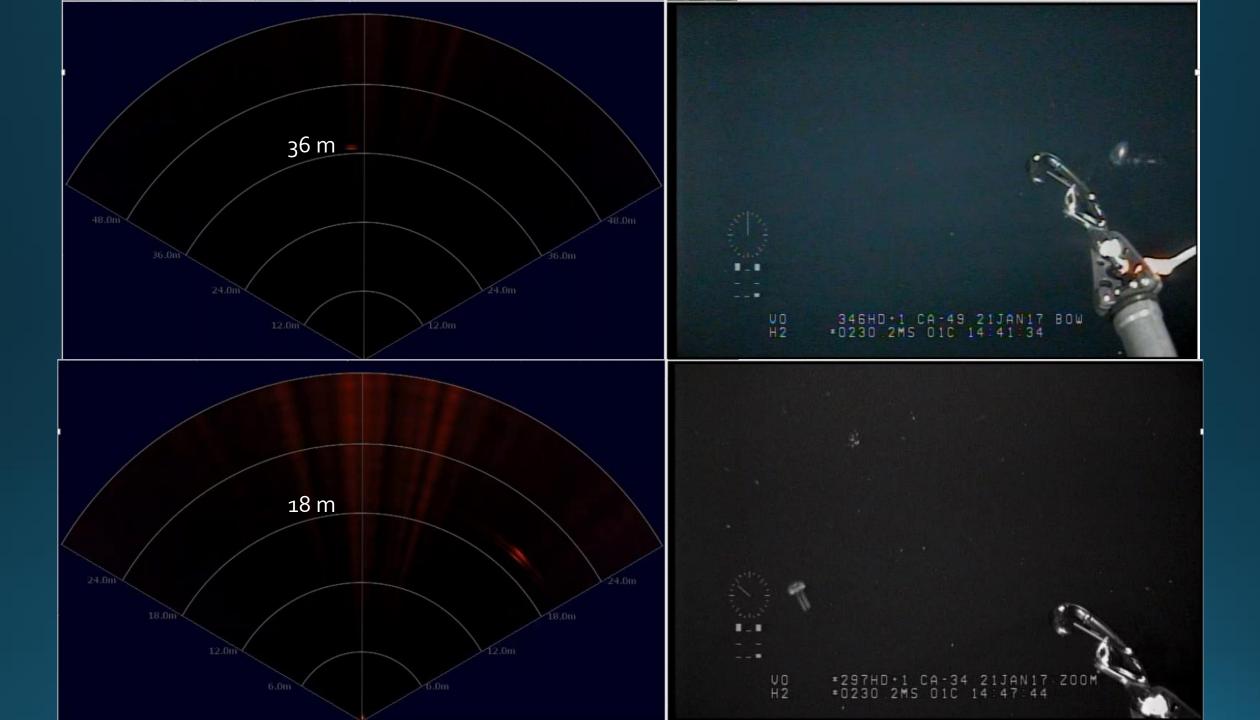


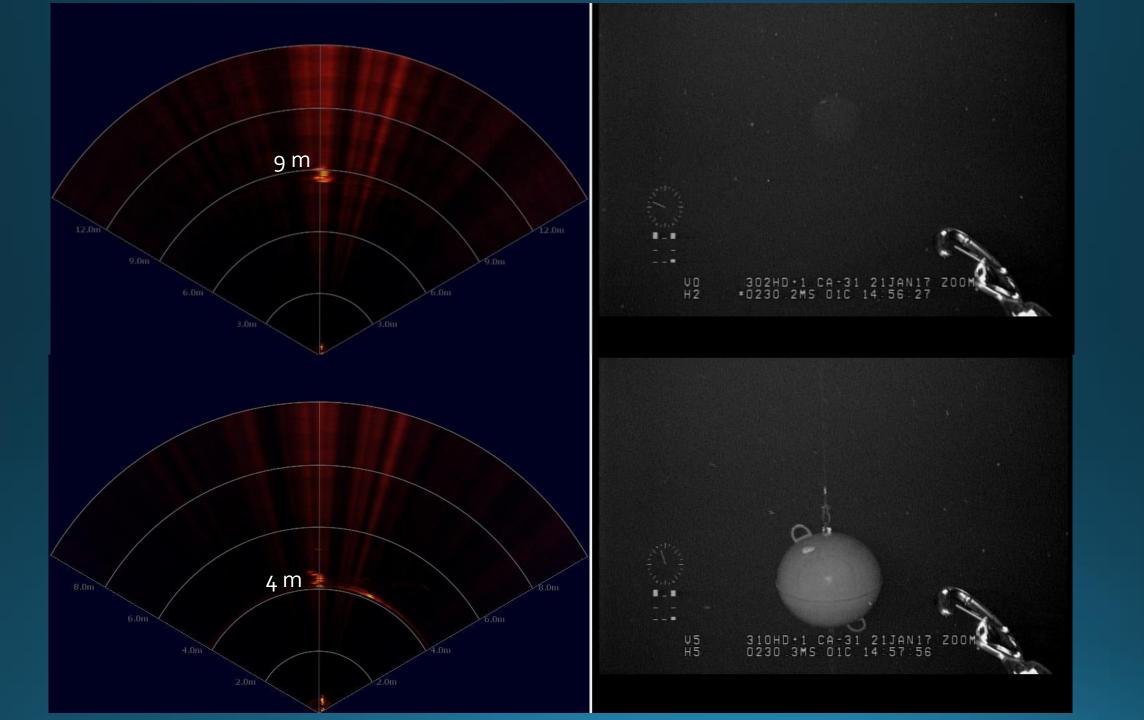




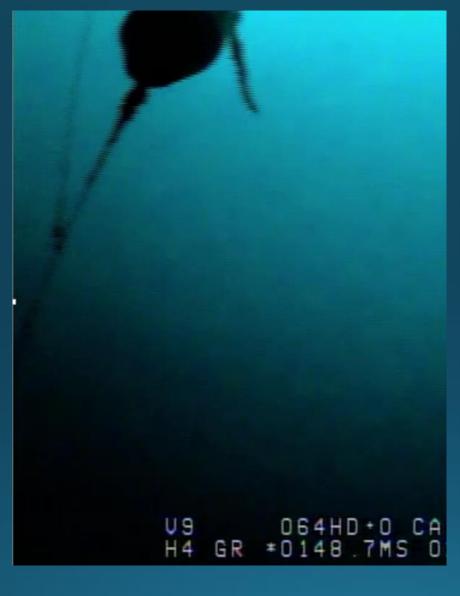




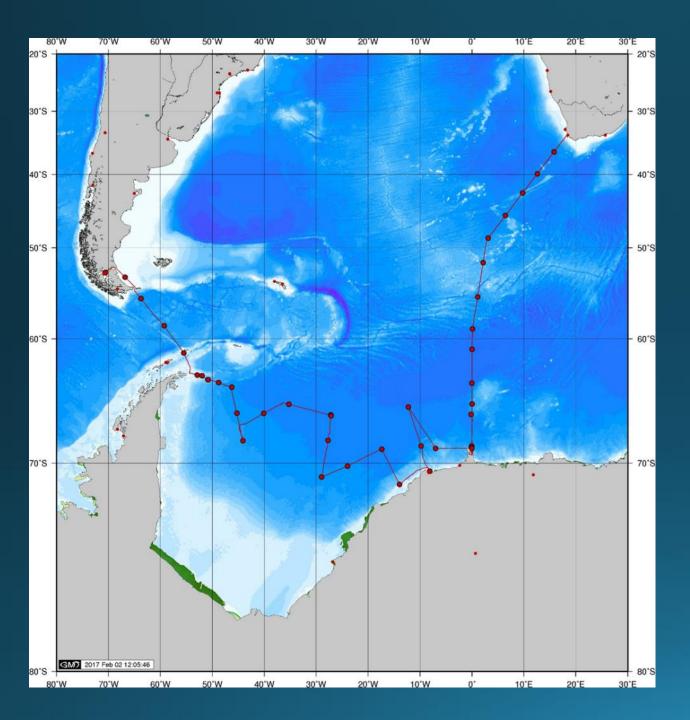












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