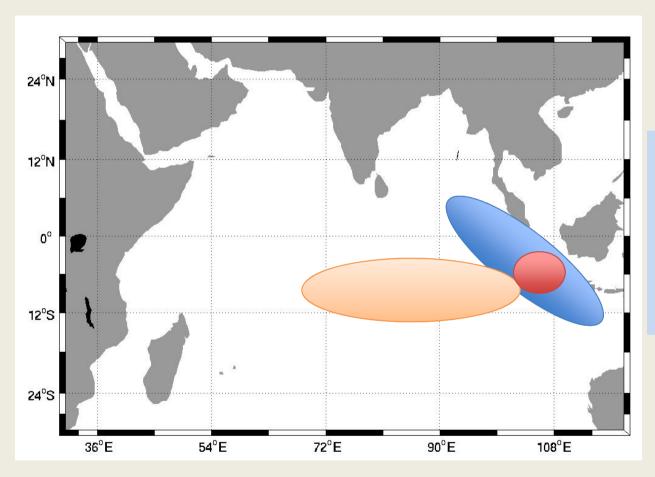
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Study Areas

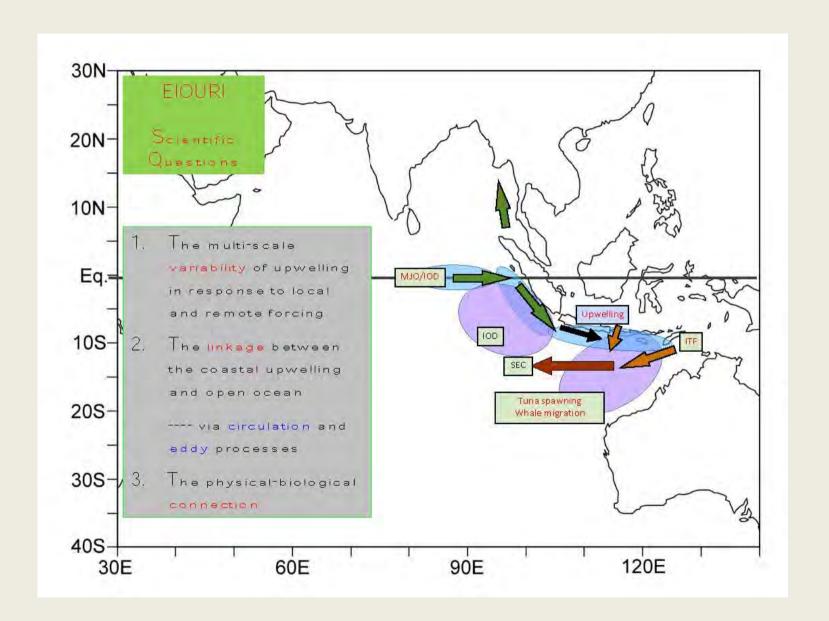


- Upwelling off Sumatra/Java
- Extension along thermocline ridge
- Sunda Strait throughflow

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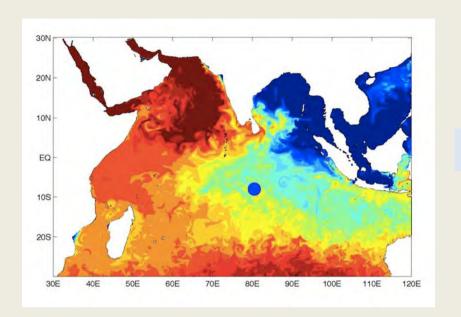
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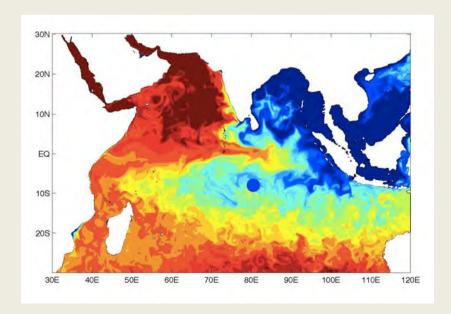
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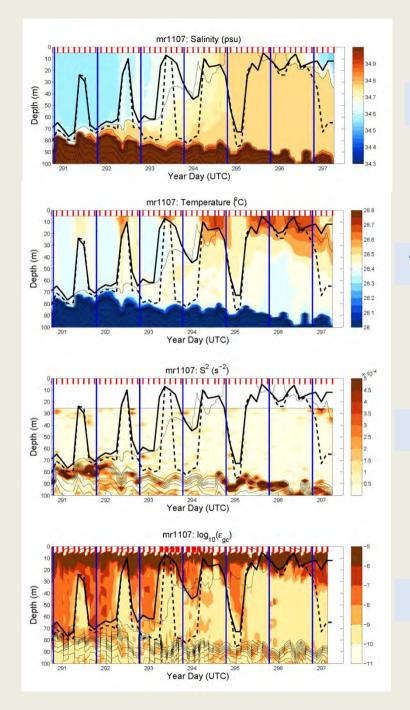
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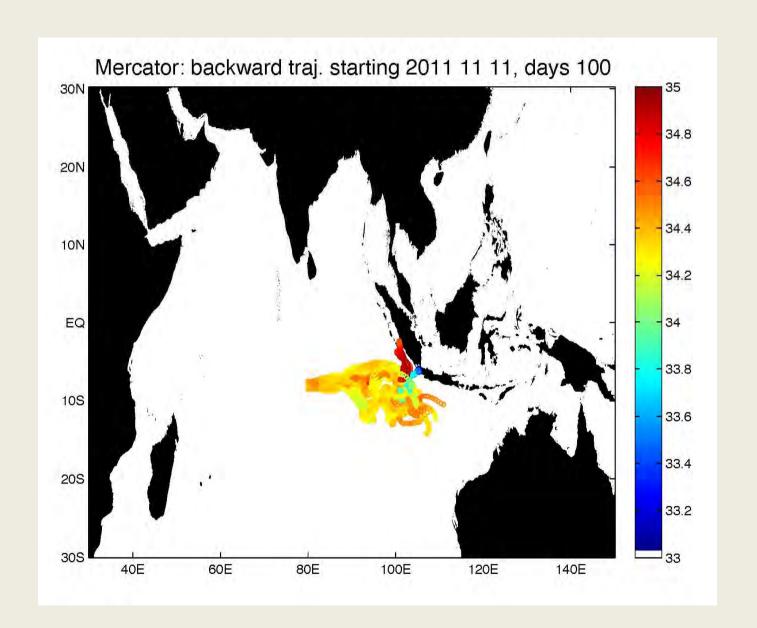


Salinity

Temperature

Shear

Turbulence



We will also consider the contribution of Throughflow waters, including the Sunda Strait

Surface Salinity:
Mercator

