



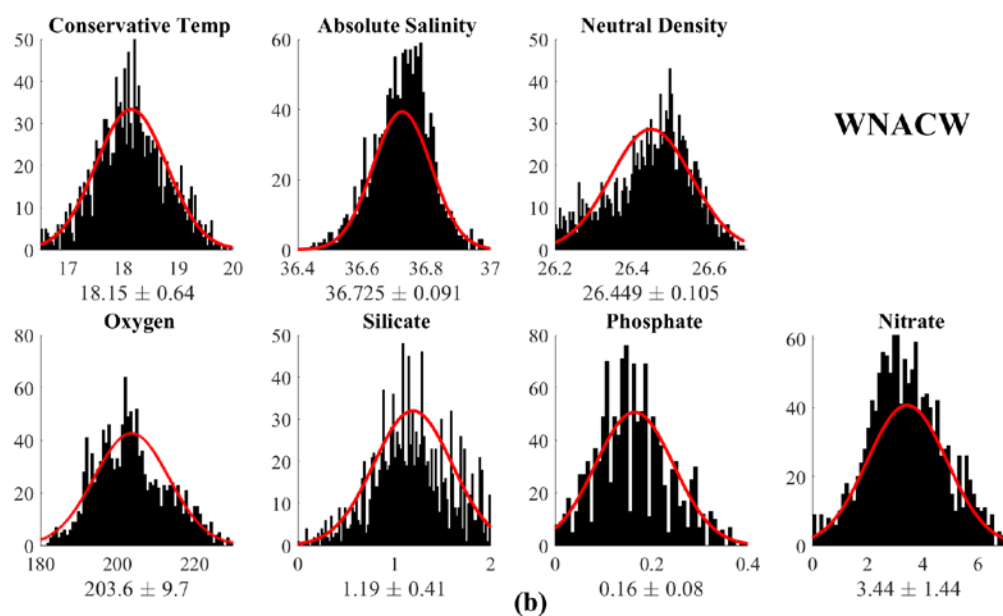
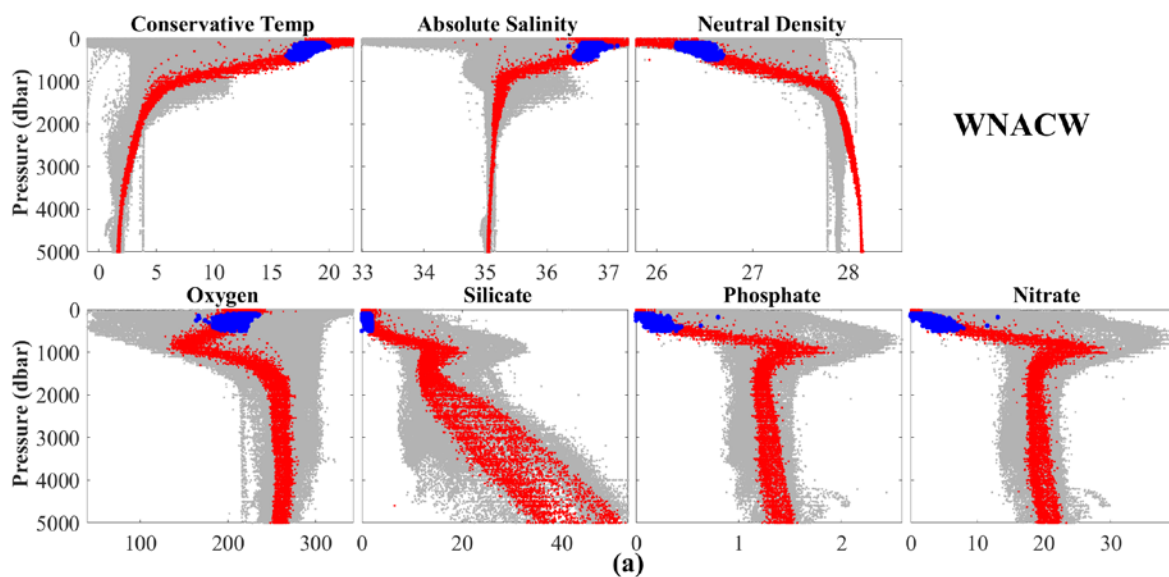
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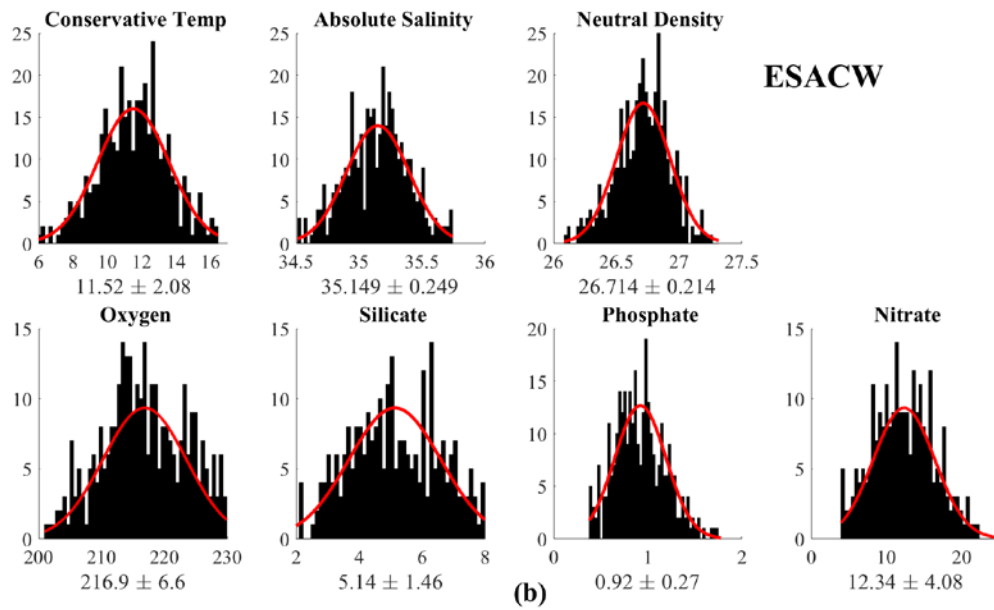
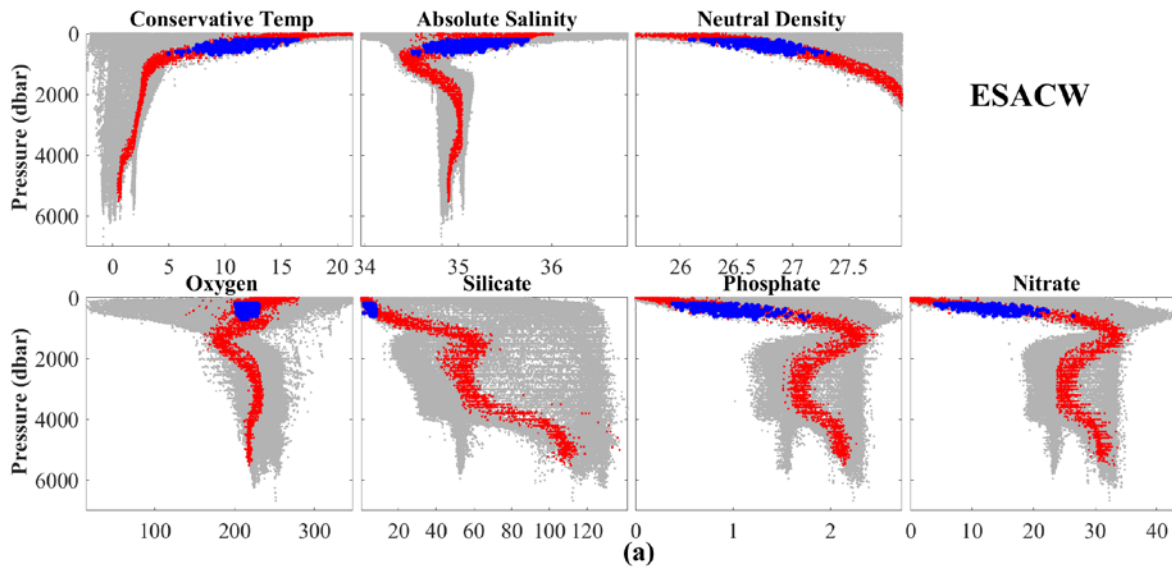
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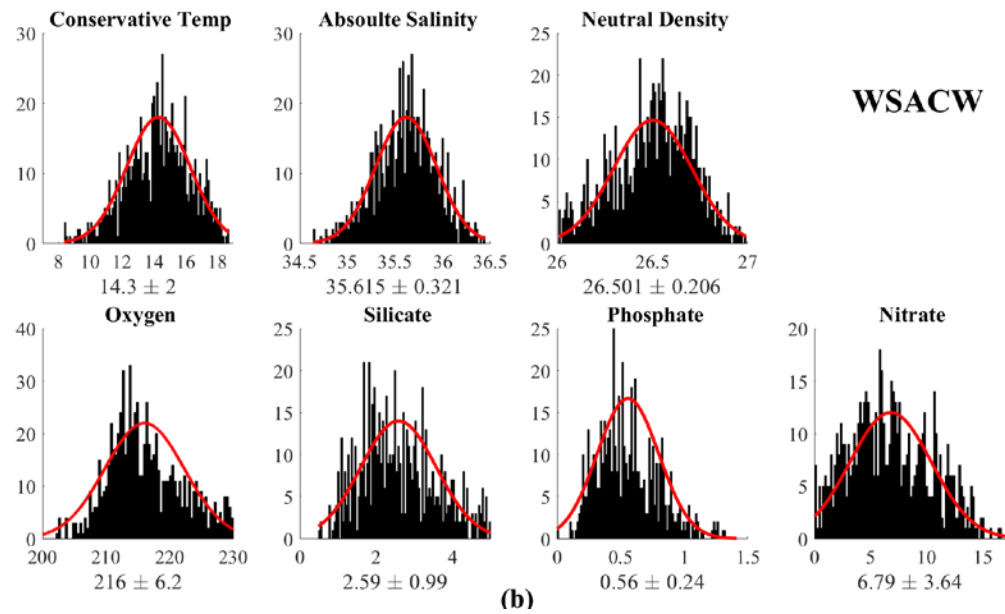
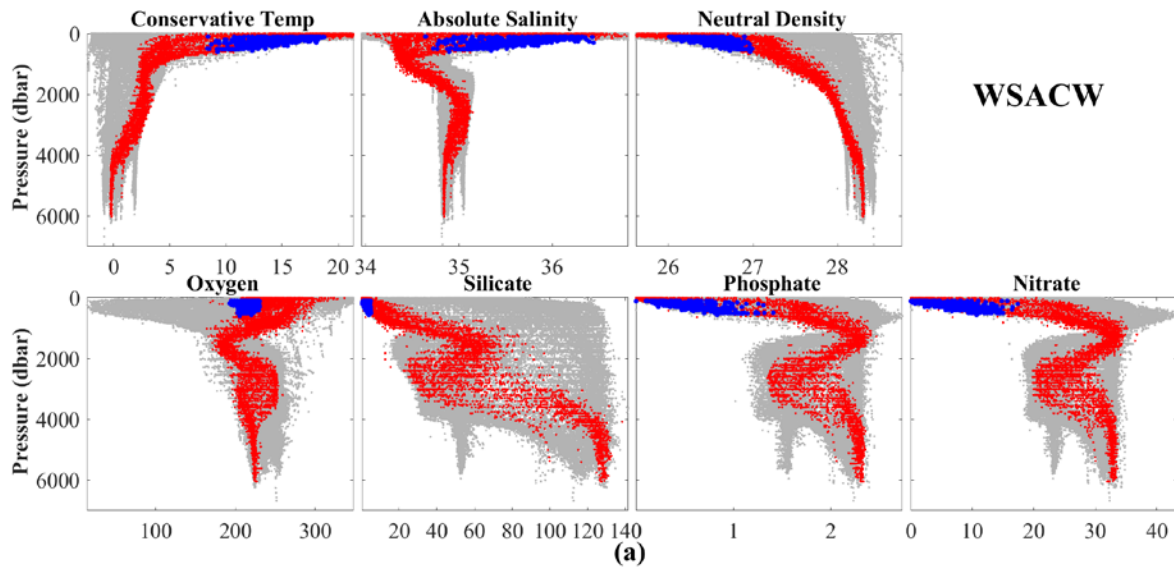
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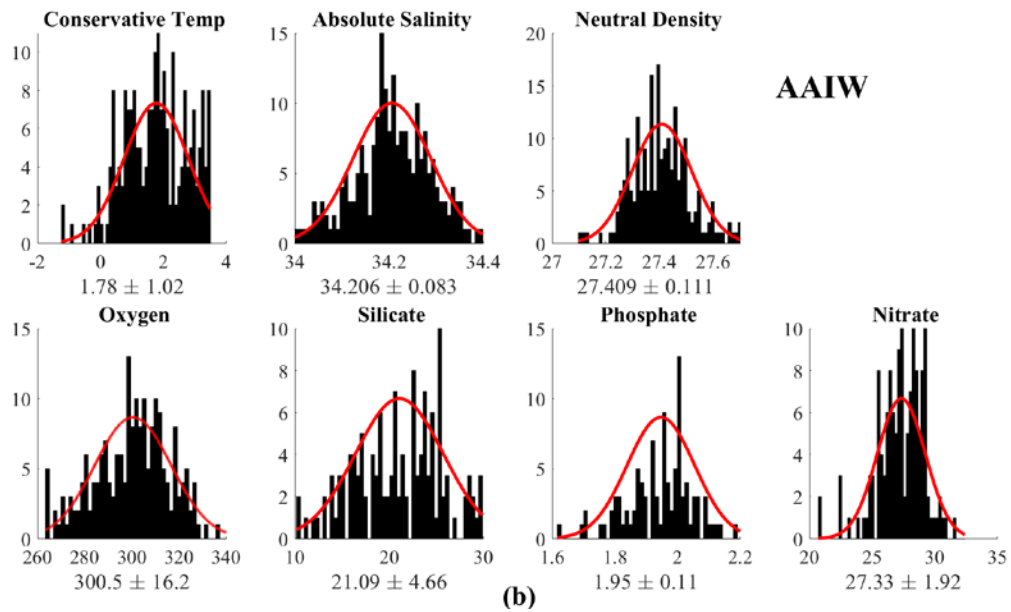
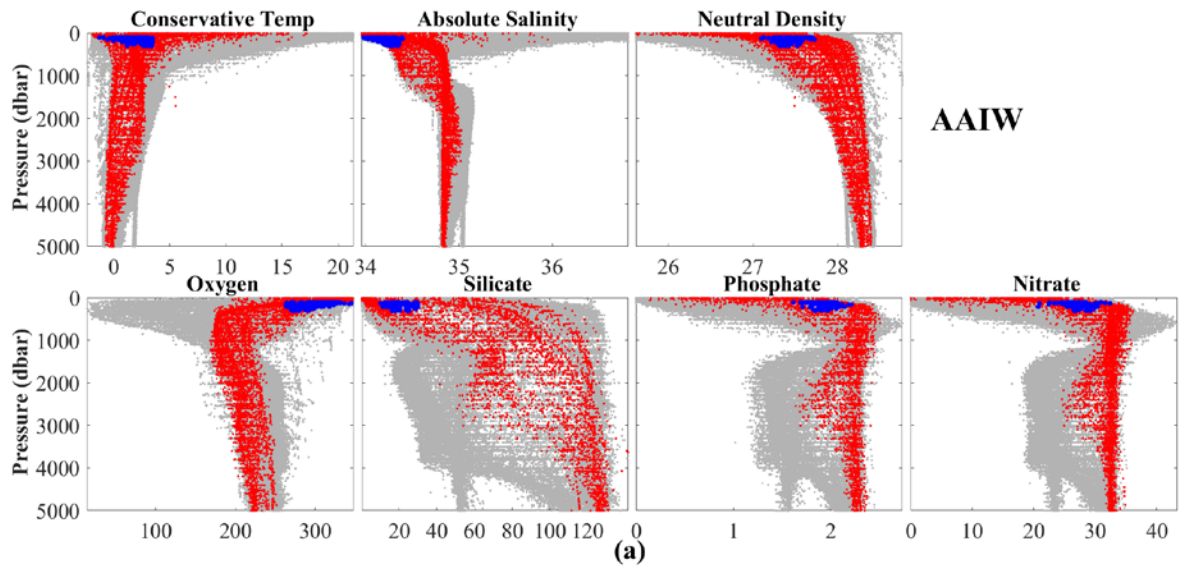
**Figure S1:** Definition of Western North Atlantic Central Water (WNACW): Panel a) the distribution of key properties vs. pressure; Panel b) bar plots of the data distribution of samples used to define the SWTs. Conservative Temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), Absolute Salinity ( $\text{g kg}^{-1}$ ), Neutral Density ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ ), Oxygen and Nutrients ( $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ ). The red Gaussian fit shows mean value and standard deviation of selected data.



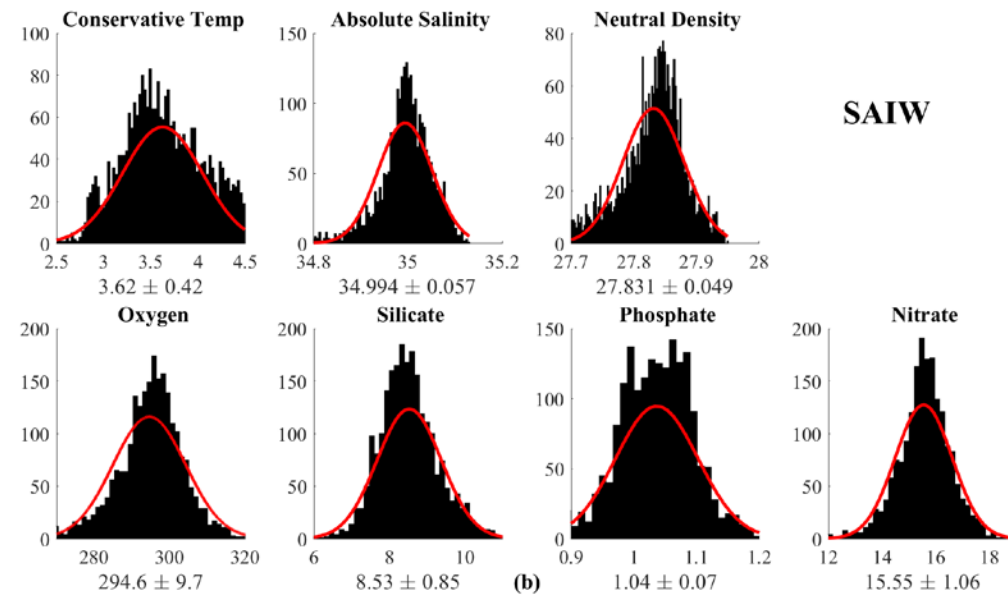
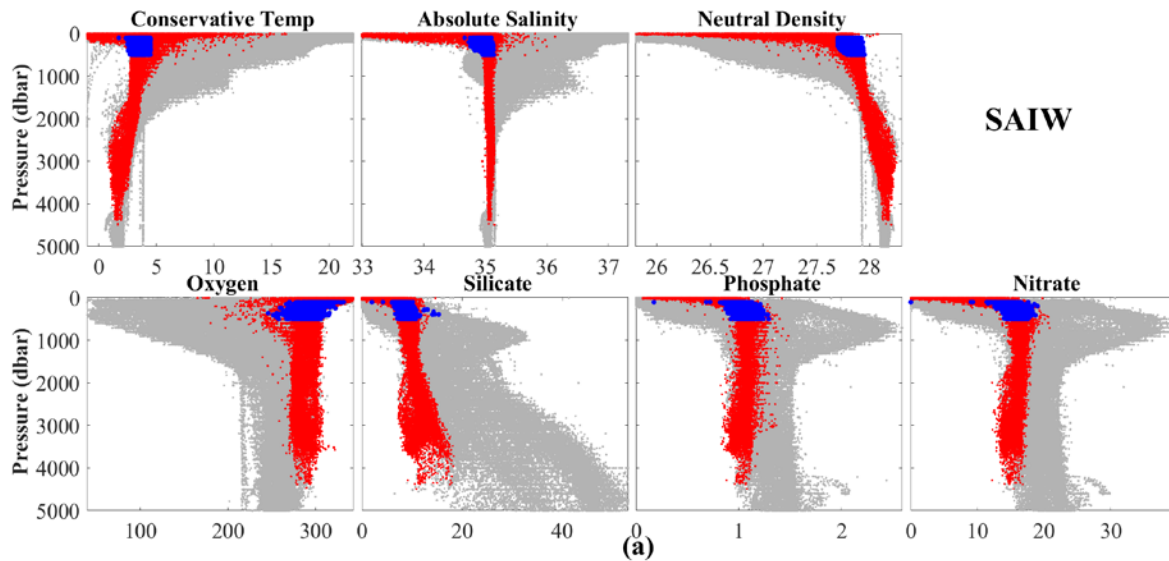
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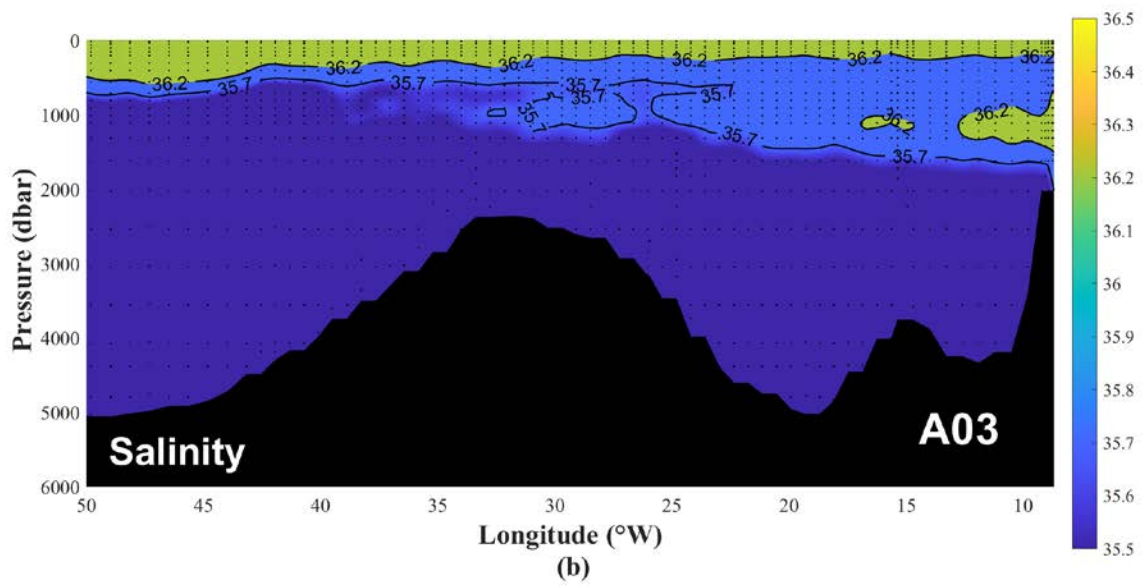
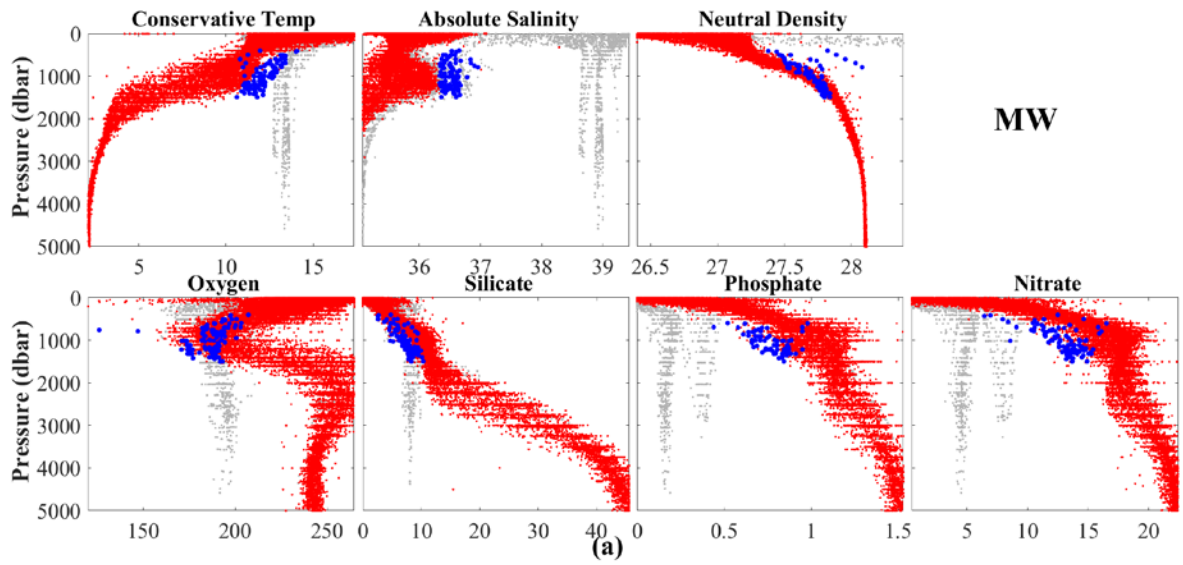
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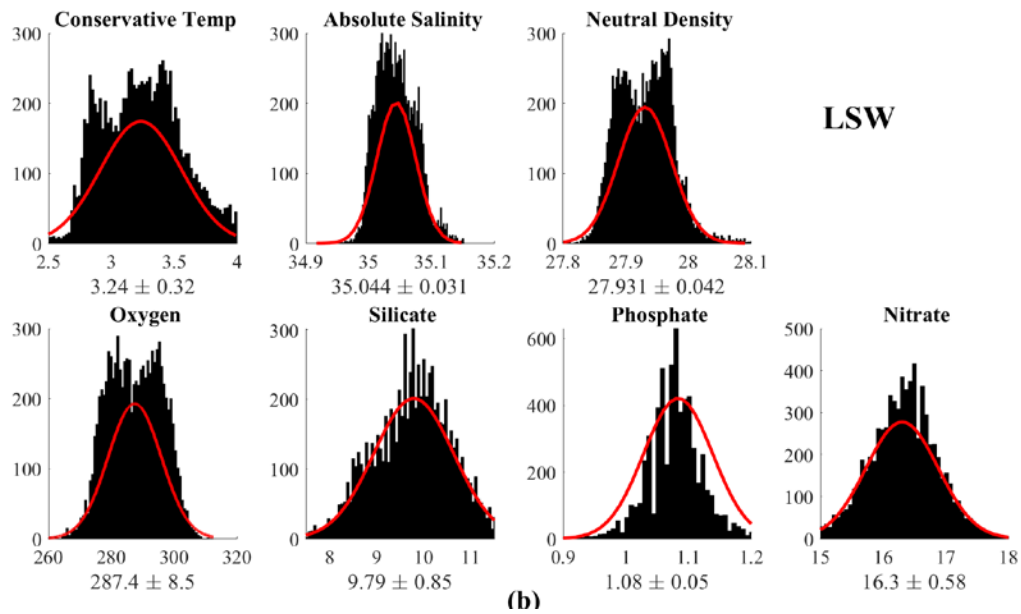
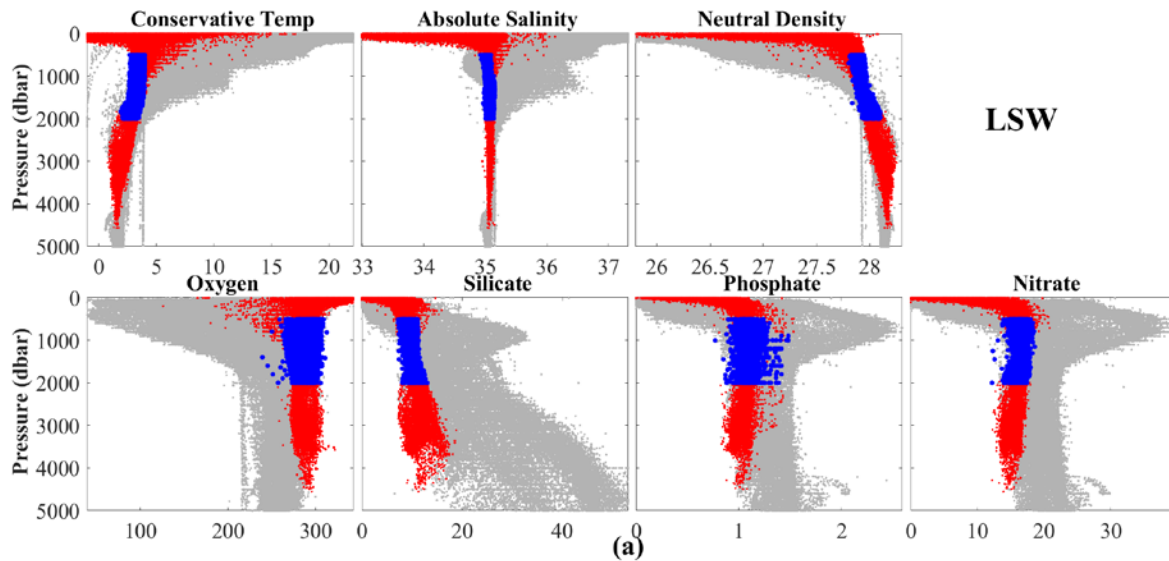
**Figure S4:** Definition of Antarctic Intermediate Water (AAIW): Panel a) the distribution of key properties vs. pressure; Panel b) bar plots of the data distribution of samples used to define the SWTs. Conservative Temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), Absolute Salinity ( $\text{g kg}^{-1}$ ), Neutral Density ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ ), Oxygen and Nutrients ( $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ ). The red Gaussian fit shows mean value and standard deviation of selected data.



**Figure S5:** Definition of Subarctic Intermediate Water (SAIW): Panel a) the distribution of key properties vs. pressure; Panel b) bar plots of the data distribution of samples used to define the SWTs. Conservative Temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), Absolute Salinity ( $\text{g kg}^{-1}$ ), Neutral Density ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ ), Oxygen and Nutrients ( $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ ). The red Gaussian fit shows mean value and standard deviation of selected data

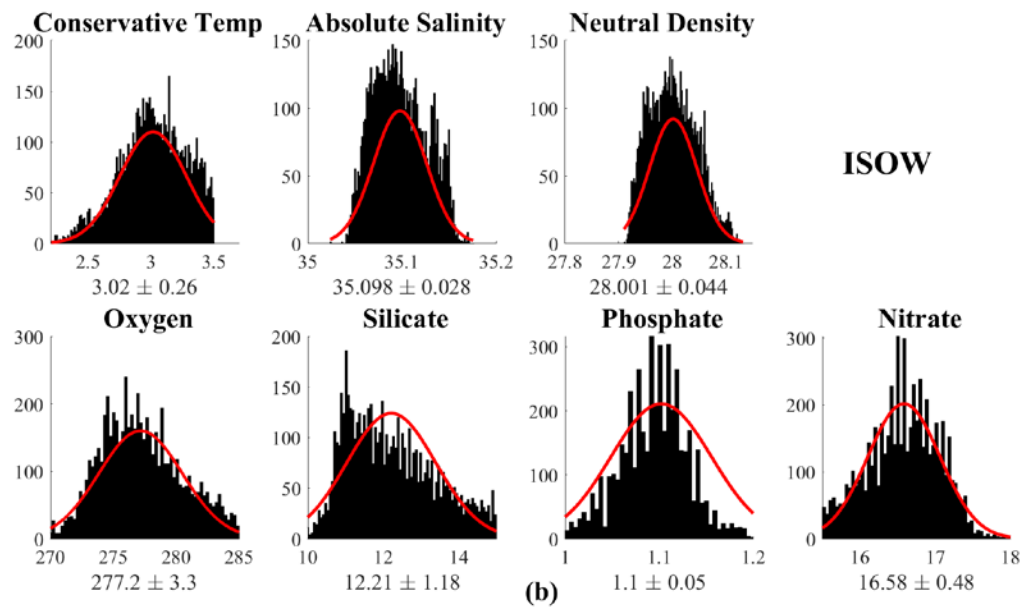
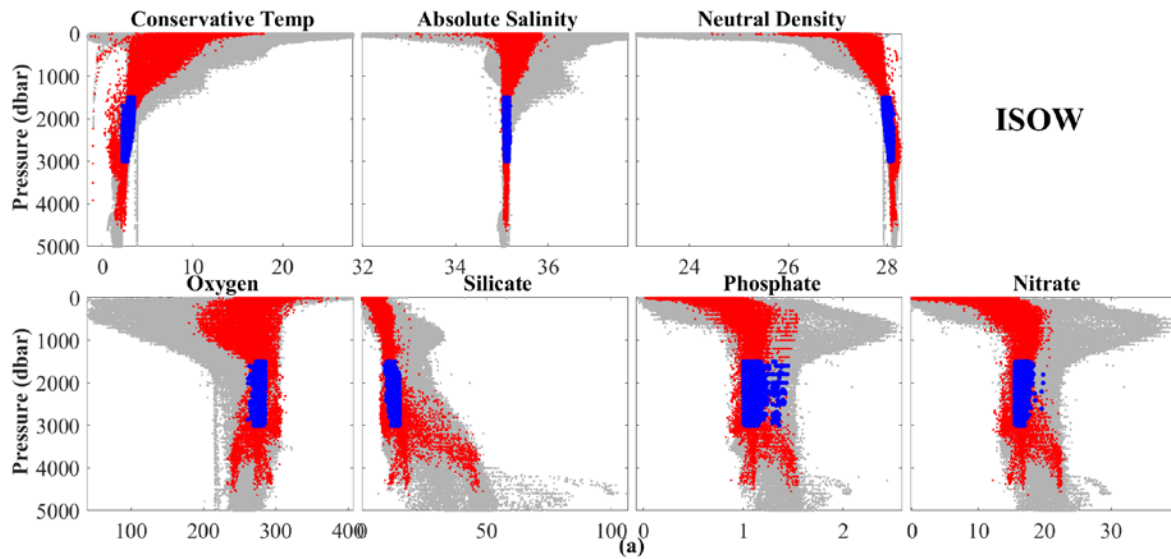


**Figure S6:** Definition of Mediterranean Water (MW): Panel a) the distribution of key properties vs. pressure; Panel b) Distribution of absolute salinity (SA) along the A03 cruise that shows the feature of MW.

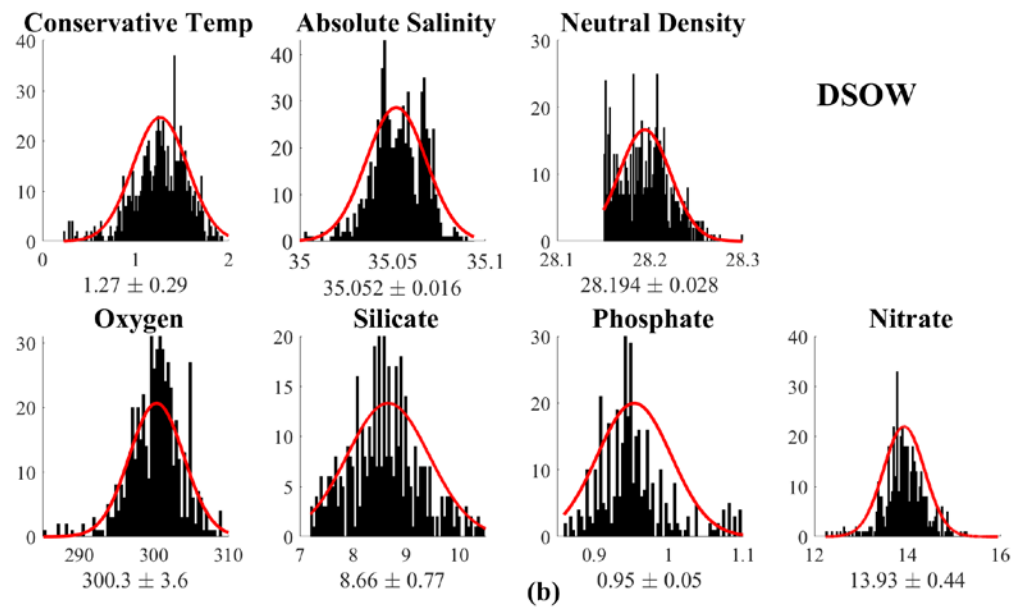
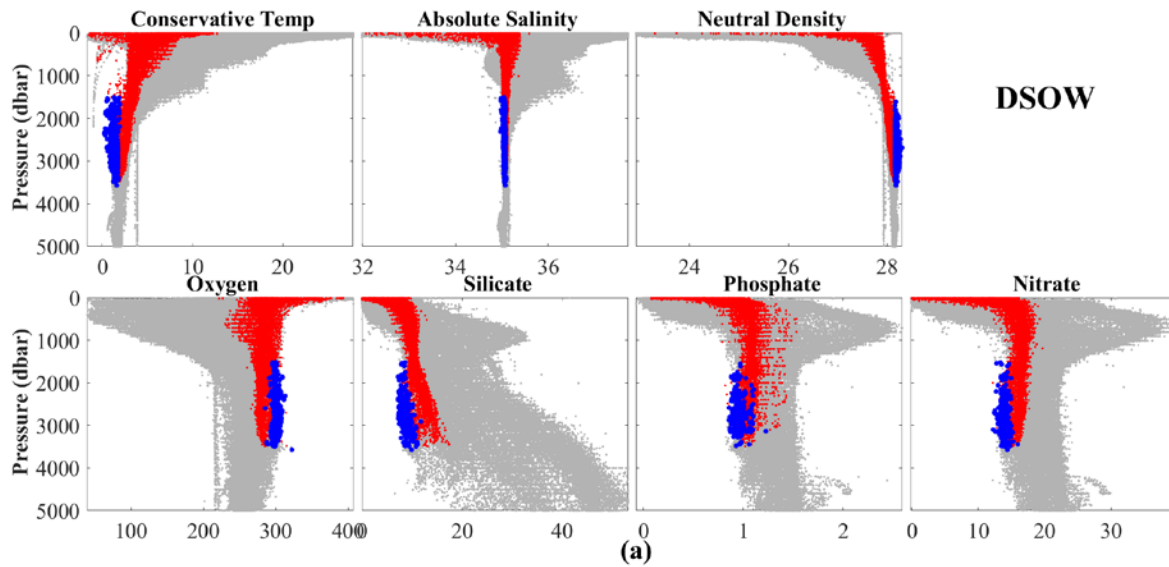


**Figure S7:** Definition of Labrador Sea Water (LSW): Panel a) the distribution of key properties vs. pressure; Panel b) bar plots of the data distribution of samples used to define the SWTs. Conservative Temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), Absolute Salinity ( $\text{g kg}^{-1}$ ), Neutral Density ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ ), Oxygen and Nutrients ( $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ ). The red Gaussian fit shows mean value and standard deviation of selected data.

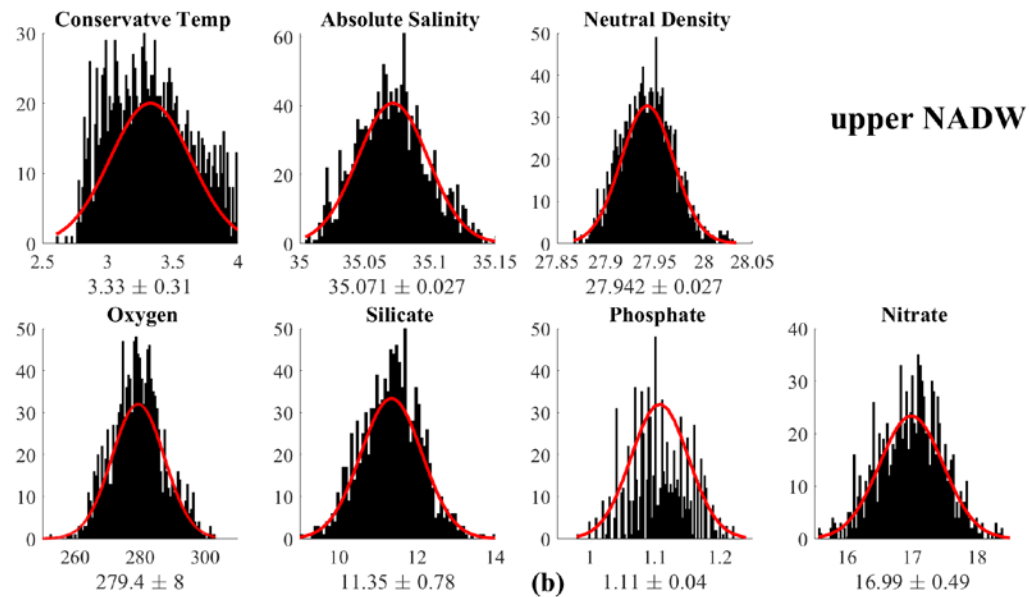
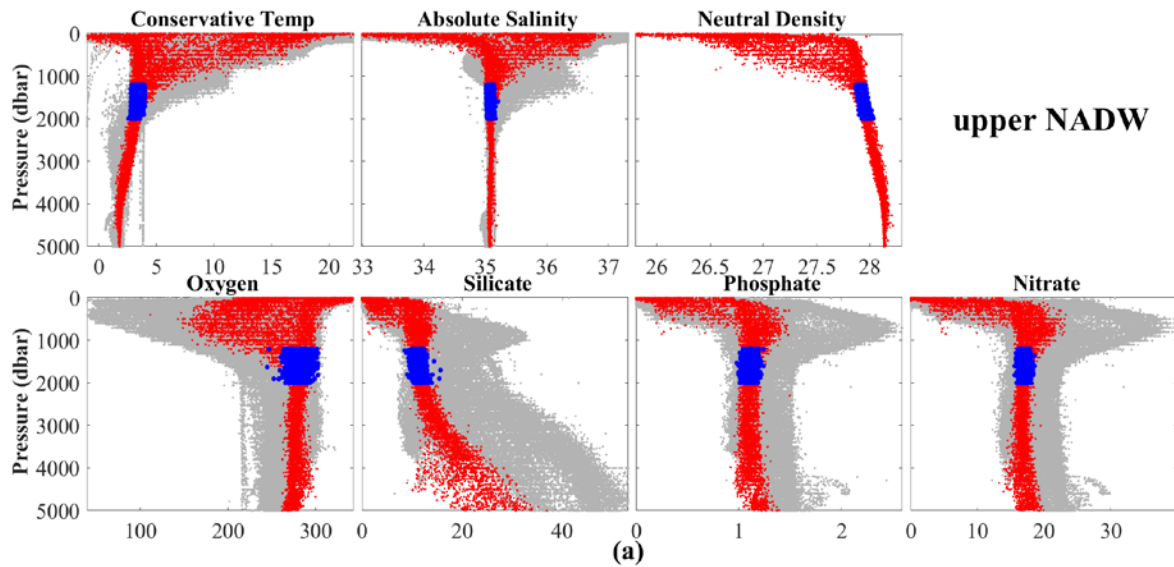




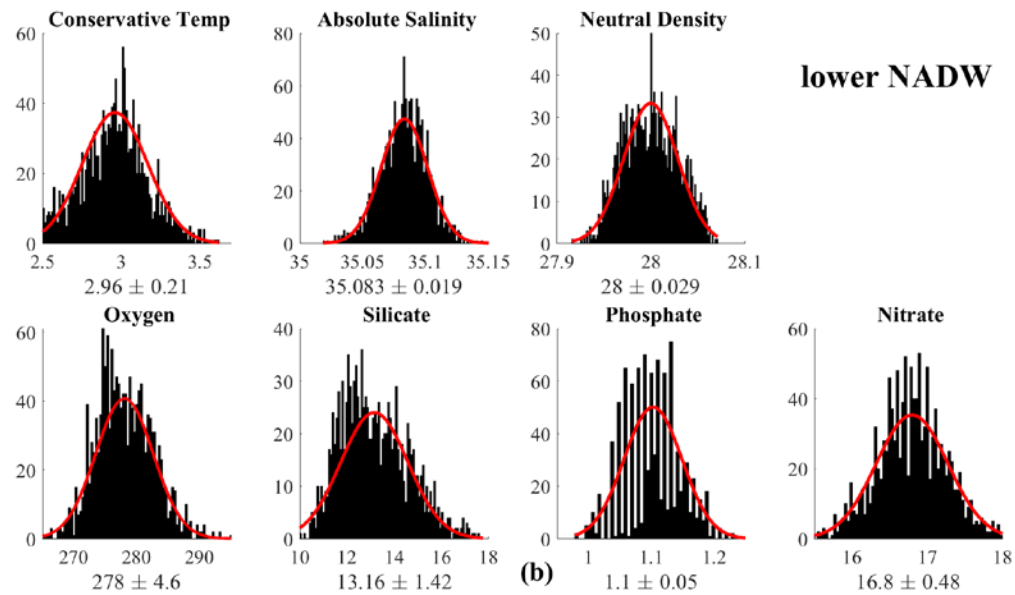
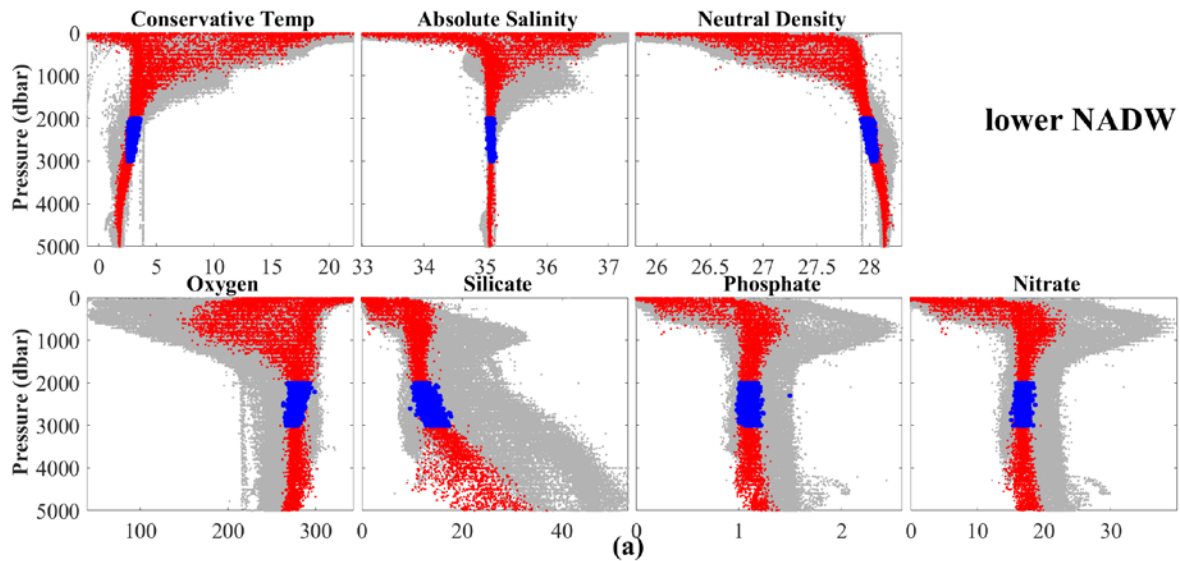
**Figure S8:** Definition of Iceland Scotland Overflow Water (ISOW): Panel a) the distribution of key properties vs. pressure; Panel b) bar plots of the data distribution of samples used to define the SWTs. Conservative Temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), Absolute Salinity ( $\text{g kg}^{-1}$ ), Neutral Density ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ ), Oxygen and Nutrients ( $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ ). The red Gaussian fit shows mean value and standard deviation of selected data.



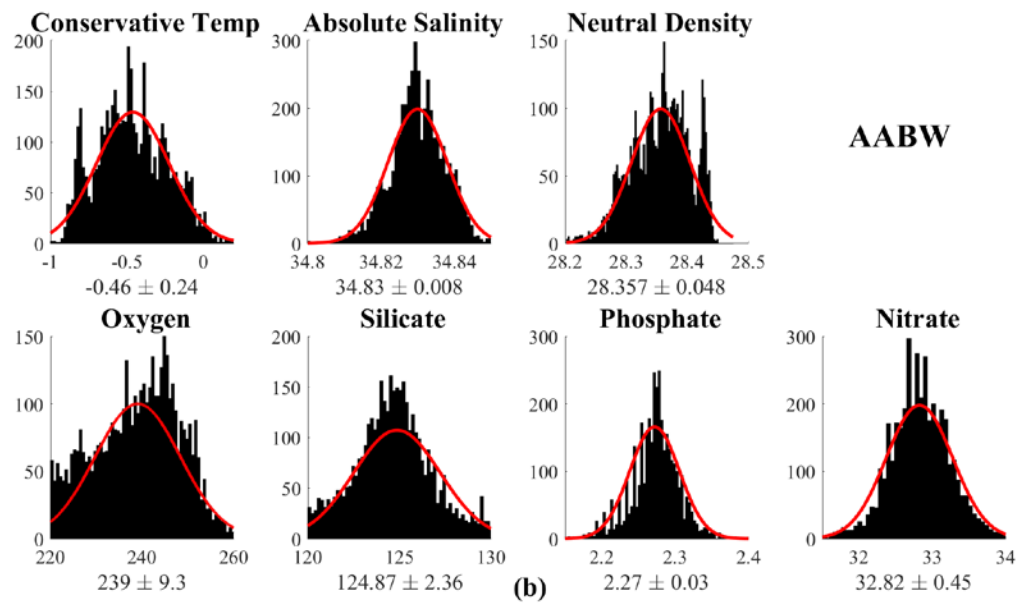
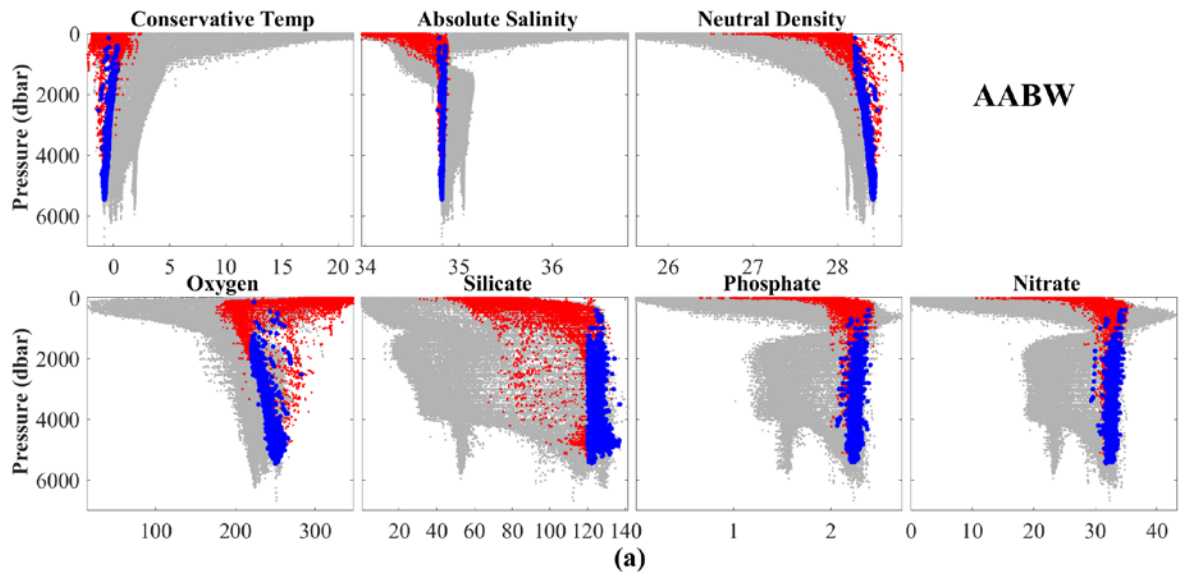
**Figure S9:** Definition of Denmark Strait Overflow Water (DSOW): Panel a) the distribution of key properties vs. pressure; Panel b) bar plots of the data distribution of samples used to define the SWTs. Conservative Temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), Absolute Salinity ( $\text{g kg}^{-1}$ ), Neutral Density ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ ), Oxygen and Nutrients ( $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ ). The red Gaussian fit shows mean value and standard deviation of selected data.



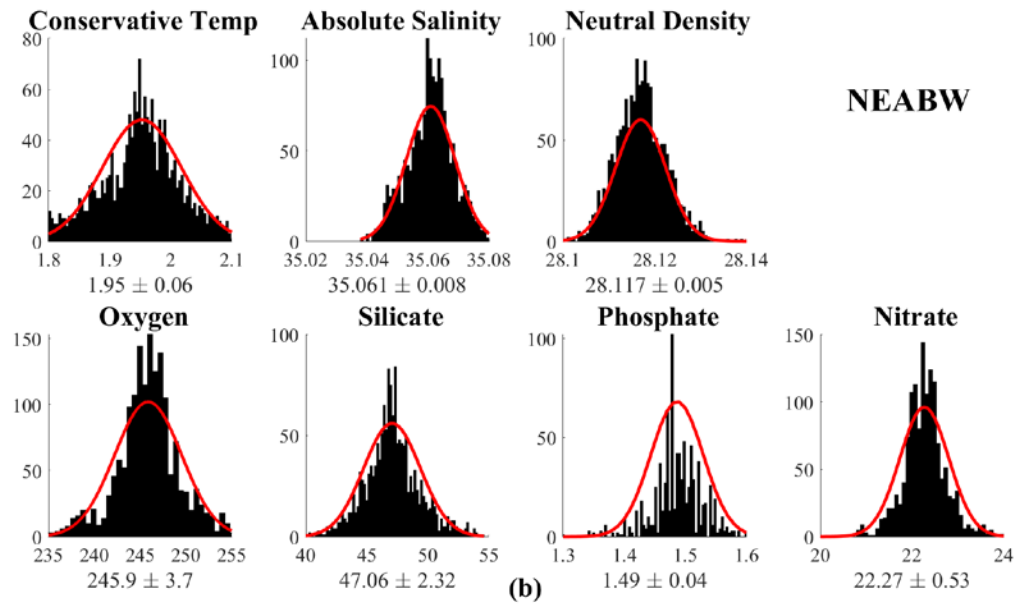
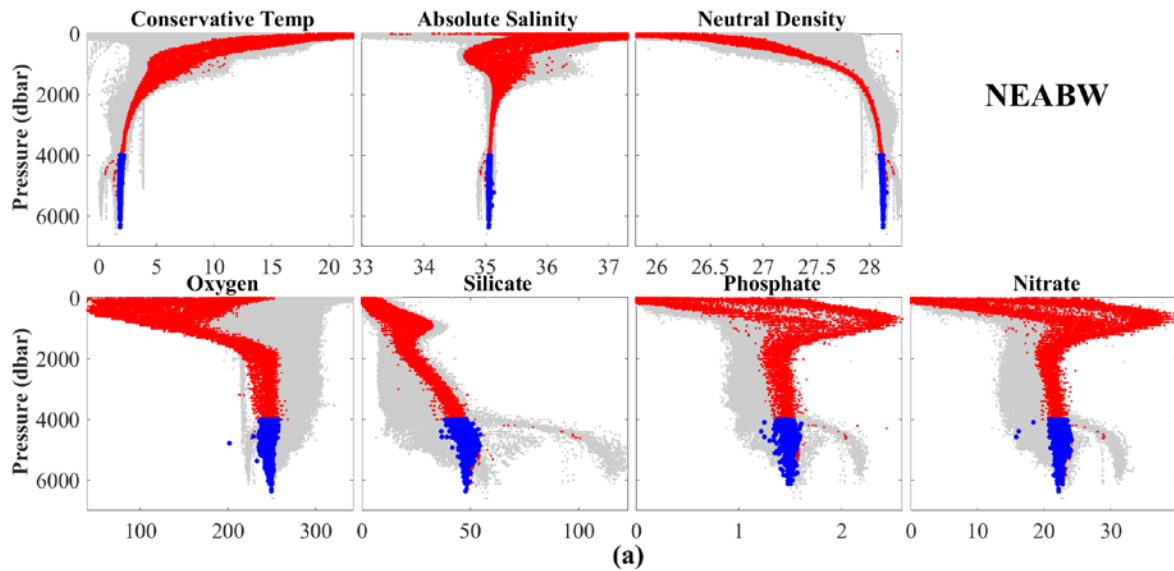
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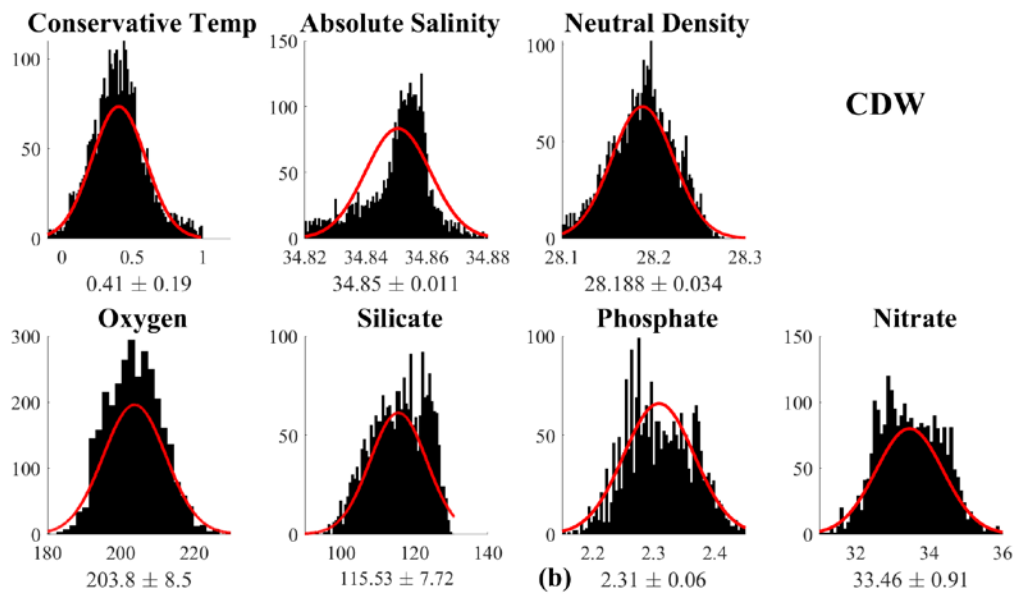
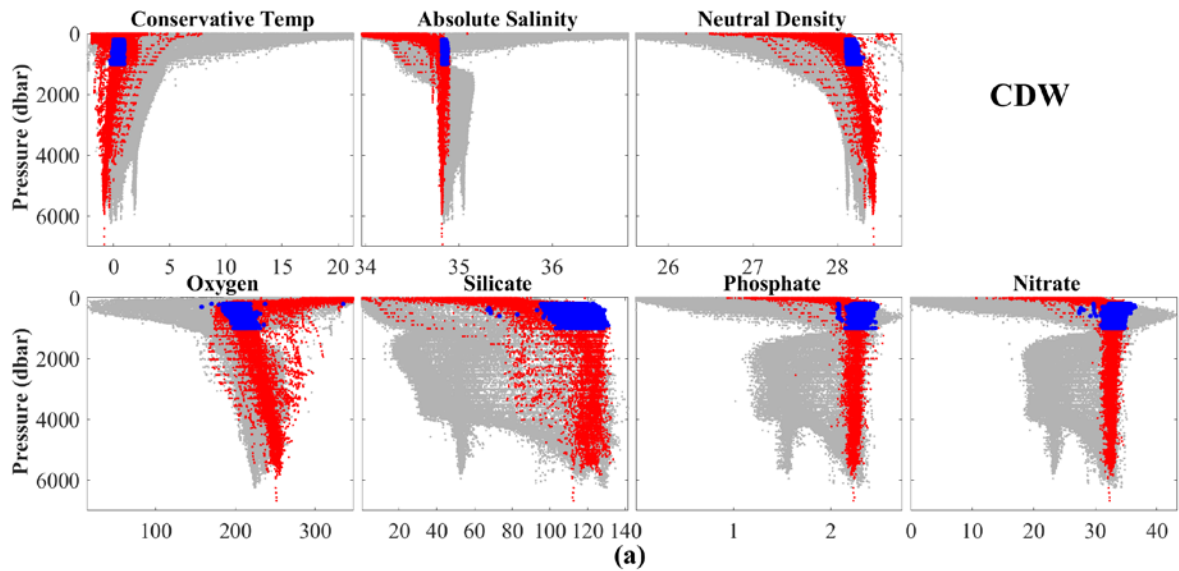
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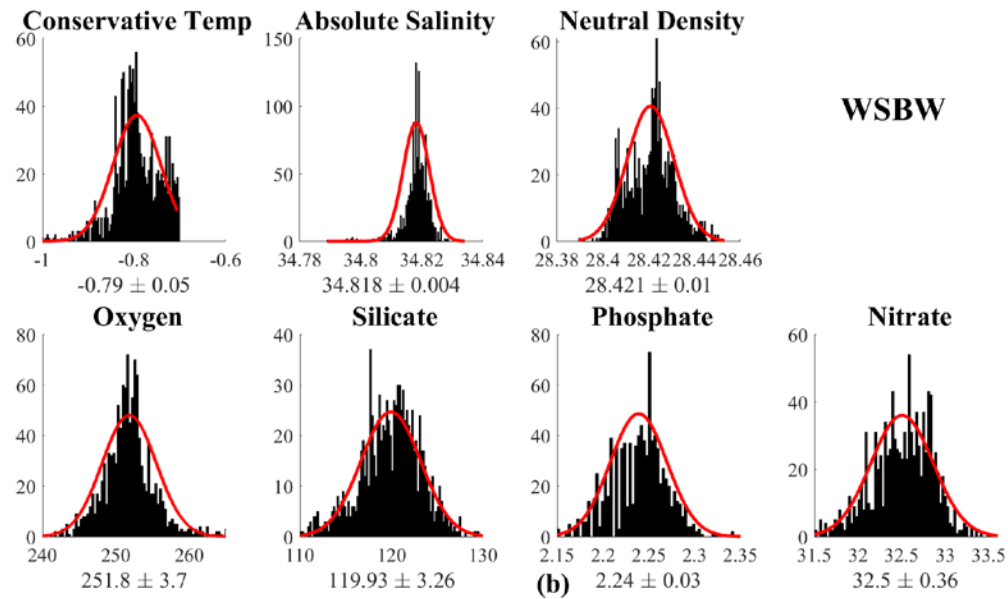
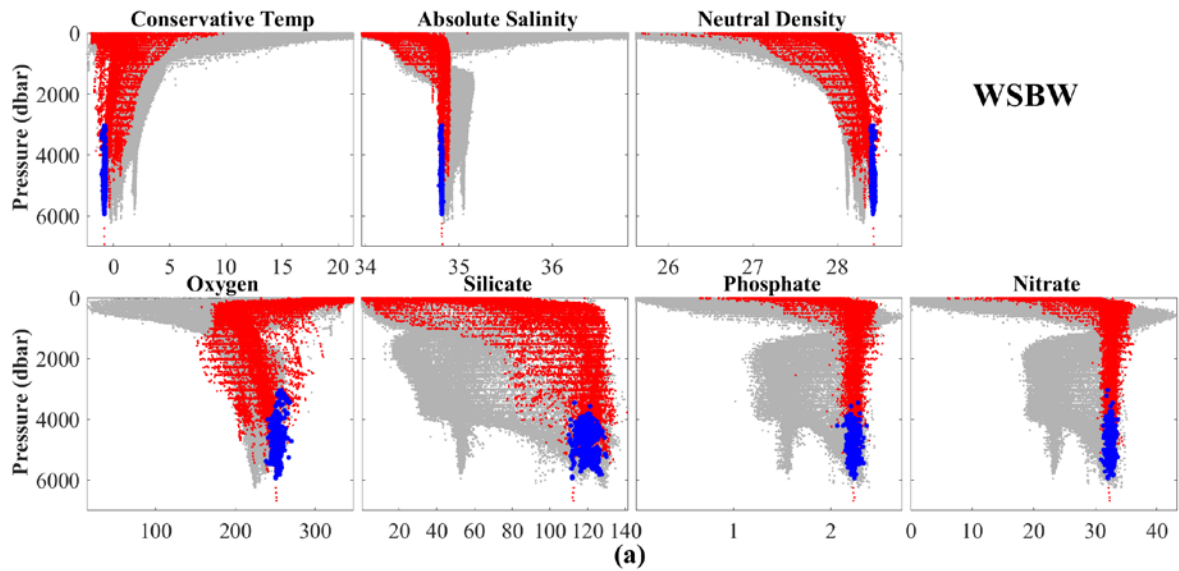
**Figure S12:** Definition of Antarctic Bottom Water (AABW): Panel a) the distribution of key properties vs. pressure; Panel b) bar plots of the data distribution of samples used to define the SWTs. Conservative Temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), Absolute Salinity ( $\text{g kg}^{-1}$ ), Neutral Density ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ ), Oxygen and Nutrients ( $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ ). The red Gaussian fit shows mean value and standard deviation of selected data.



**Figure S13:** Definition of Northeast Atlantic Bottom Water (NEABW): Panel a) the distribution of key properties vs. pressure; Panel b) bar plots of the data distribution of samples used to define the SWTs. Conservative Temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), Absolute Salinity ( $\text{g kg}^{-1}$ ), Neutral Density ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ ), Oxygen and Nutrients ( $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ ). The red Gaussian fit shows mean value and standard deviation of selected data.



**Figure S14:** Definition of Circumpolar Deep Water (CDW): Panel a) the distribution of key properties vs. pressure, **b)** bar plots of the data distribution of samples used to define the SWTs. Conservative Temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), Absolute Salinity ( $\text{g kg}^{-1}$ ), Neutral Density ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ ), Oxygen and Nutrients ( $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ ). The red Gaussian fit shows mean value and standard deviation of selected data.



**Figure S15:** Definition of Weddell Sea Bottom Water (WSBW): Panel a) the distribution of key properties vs. pressure; Panel b) bar plots of the data distribution of samples used to define the SWTs. Conservative Temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), Absolute Salinity ( $\text{g kg}^{-1}$ ), Neutral Density ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ ), Oxygen and Nutrients ( $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ ). The red Gaussian fit shows mean value and standard deviation of selected data.