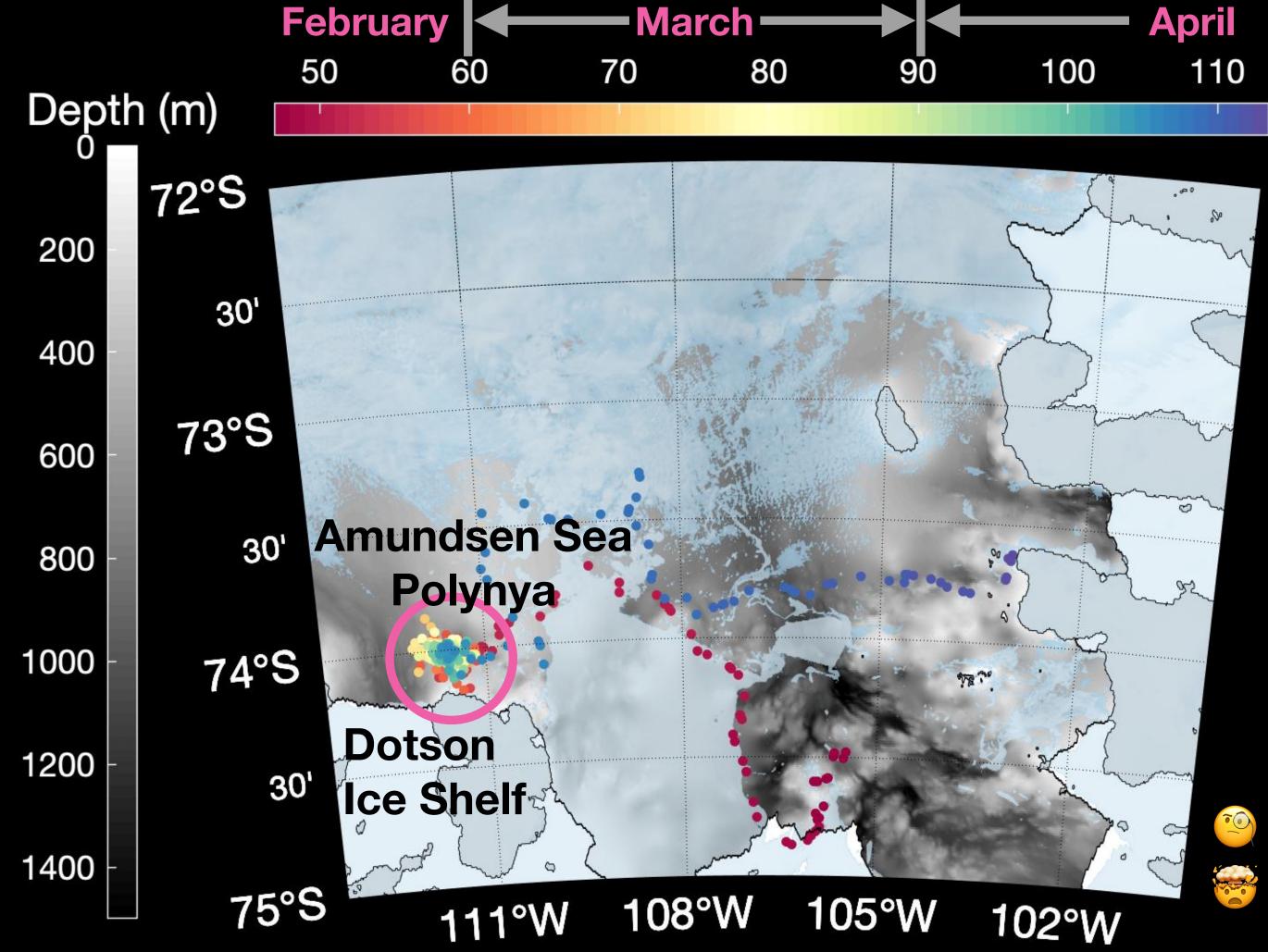
Locations of seal-tag profiles coloured by year day - February to April



Upper-ocean Cooling & Salinification in the Amundsen Sea Polynya in Austral Autumn



- → Amundsen Sea Polynya is the most productive polynya in the Antarctica
- → It's high production has been attributed to the abundant nutrient brought to the upper ocean
- What is the role the upper ocean plays?
 - It has been *poorly observed*, especially *in winter/autumn*

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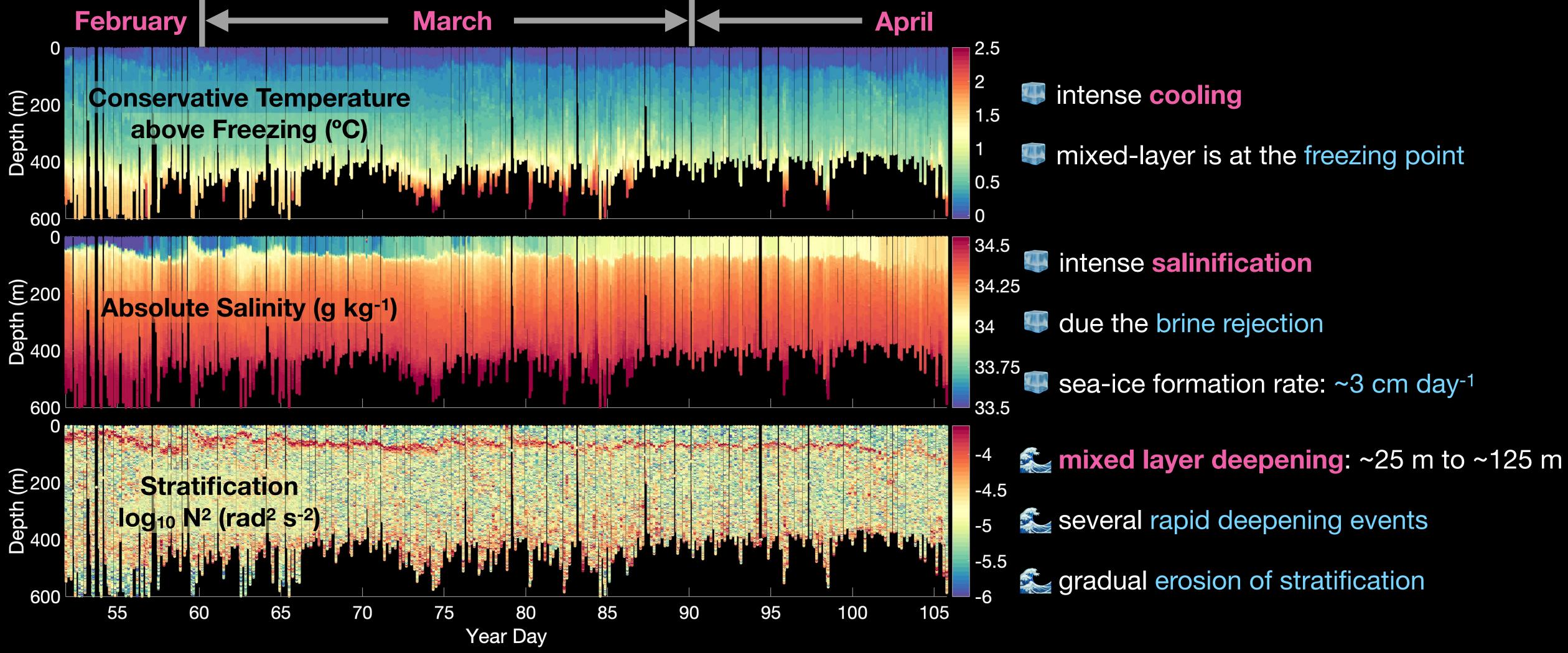








1-Hz-frequency () time series from a recovered seal's tag



We also run a 1-D model, which reproduced the observed upper-ocean cooling, salinification and mixed-layer deepening well









