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Figure 1: Time series of both observed and model simulated sea surface temperature (SST) for the four domains in the North Atlantic: North Atlantic subpolar gyre (NASPG), sub tropical (NE-ATL), Caribbean, and BATS over the 2002–2007 periods.



Figure 2: Time series of mixed layer depth (MLD) from the model output together with climatology estimates (de Boyer Montégut et al., 2004) and MER-CATOR ocean reanalysis product (Ferry et al., 2010) for the four domains in the North Atlantic: North Atlantic subpolar gyre (NASPG), sub tropical (NE-ATL), Caribbean, and BATS over the 2002–2007 periods.



Figure 3: Time series of model simulated net primary production (NPP) for the three domains in the North Atlantic: sub polar (Nuka), sub tropical (NE-ATL), and tropical (Caribbean) regions over the 2003–2007 periods. The observational estimates from the SeaWiFS remote sensing data are also included.