

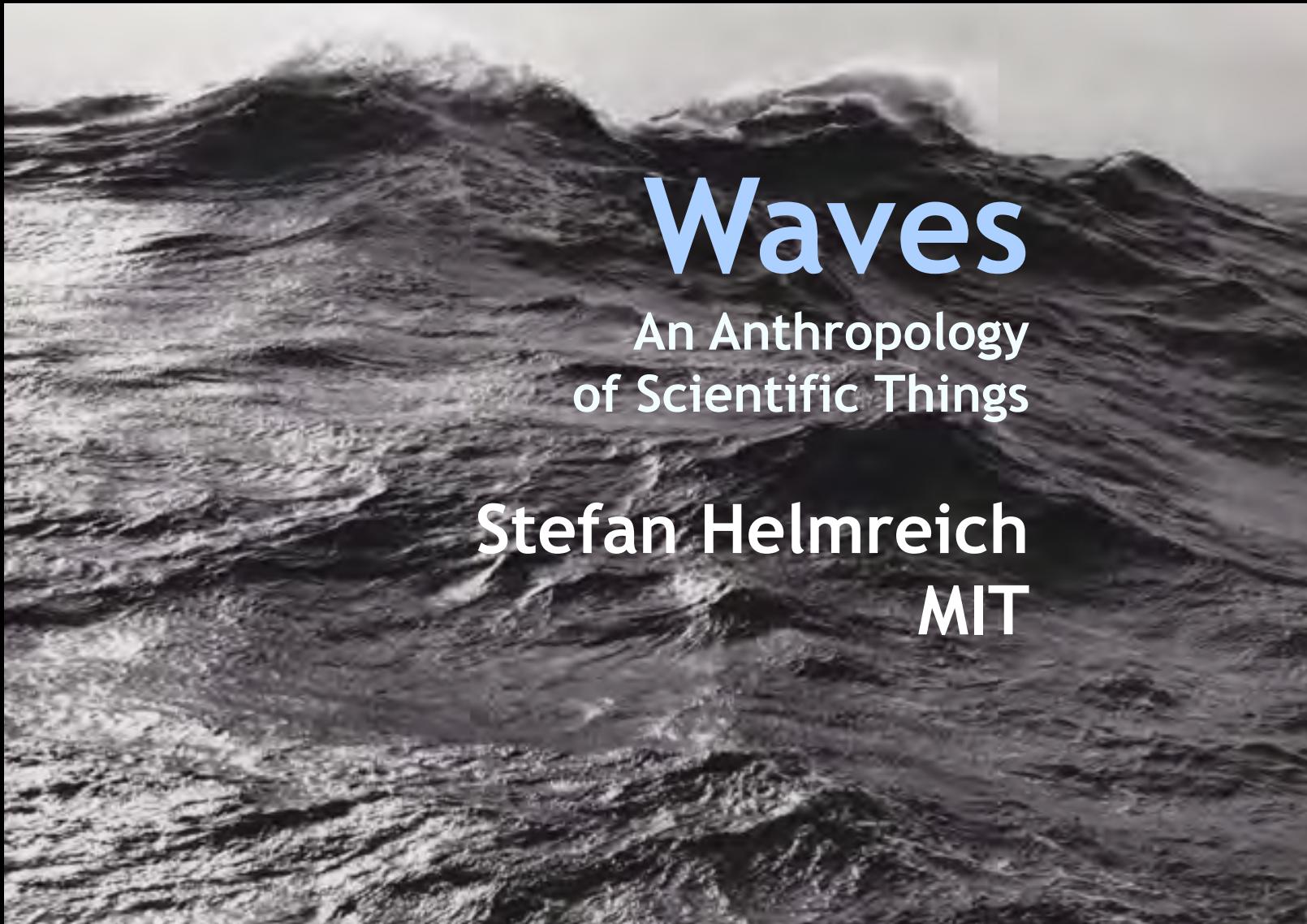


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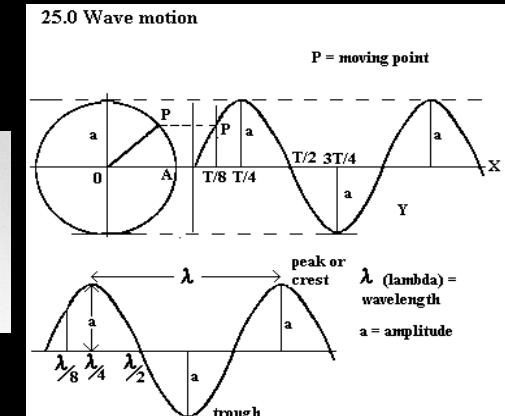
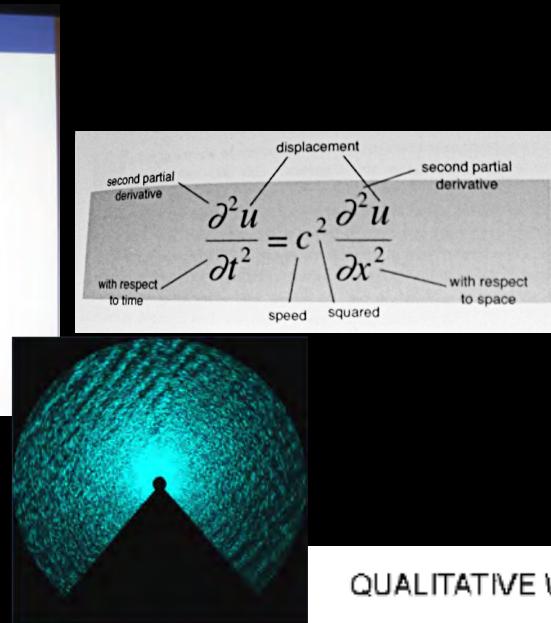
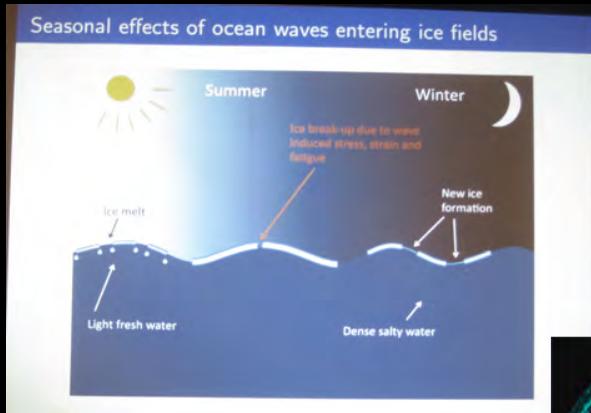
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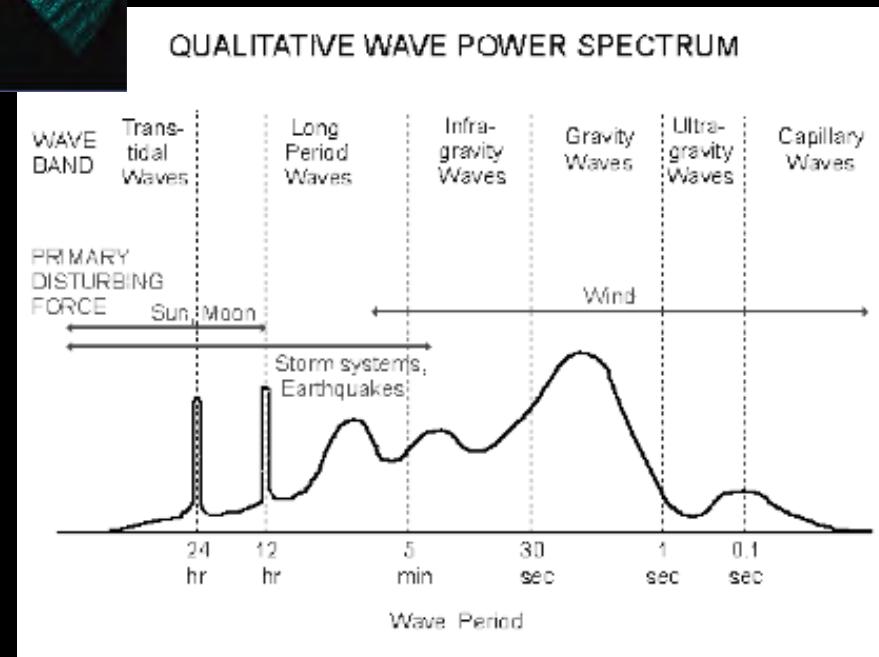
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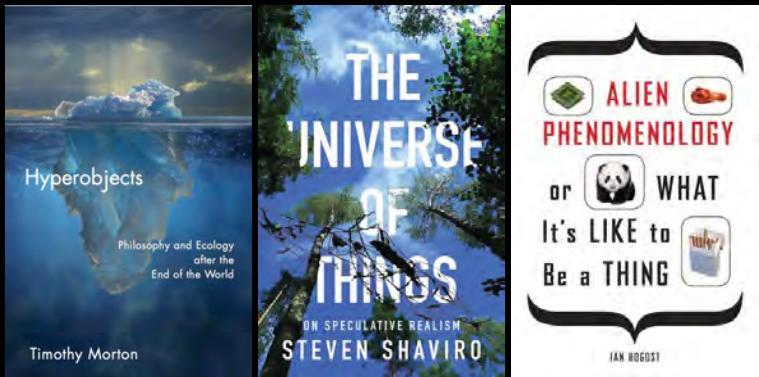
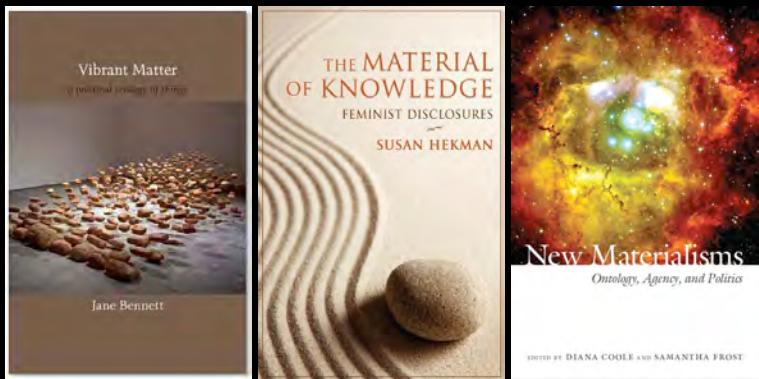
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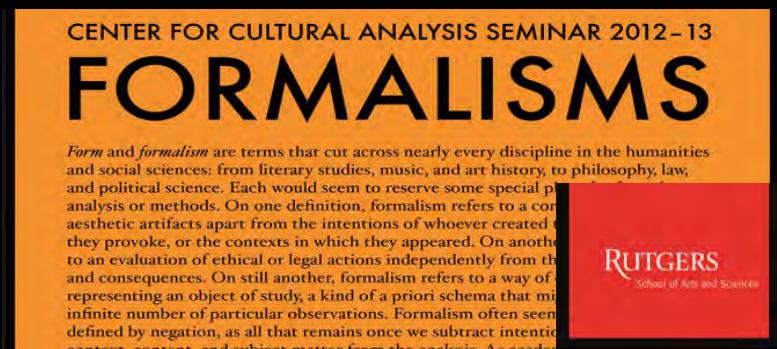
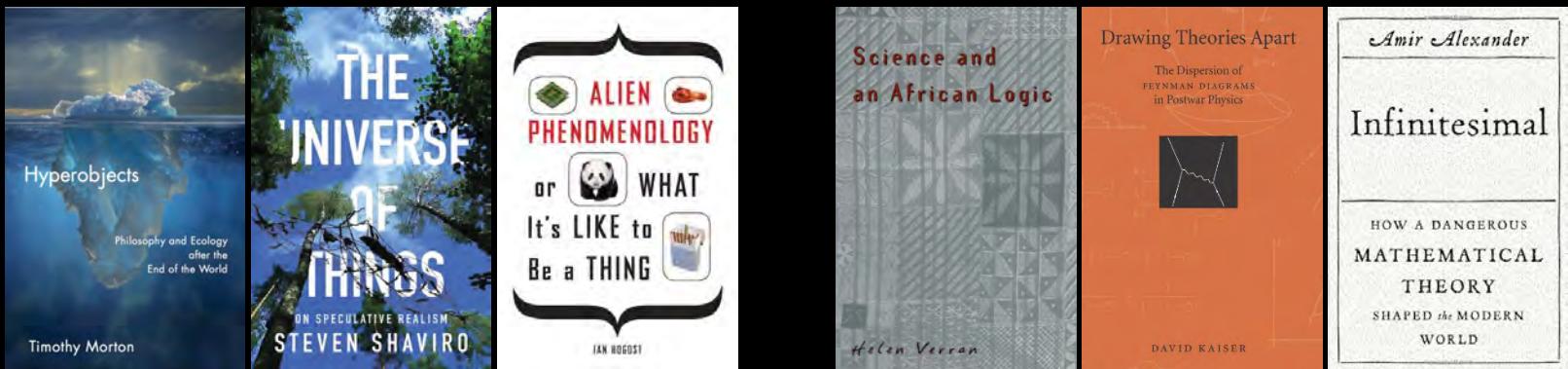
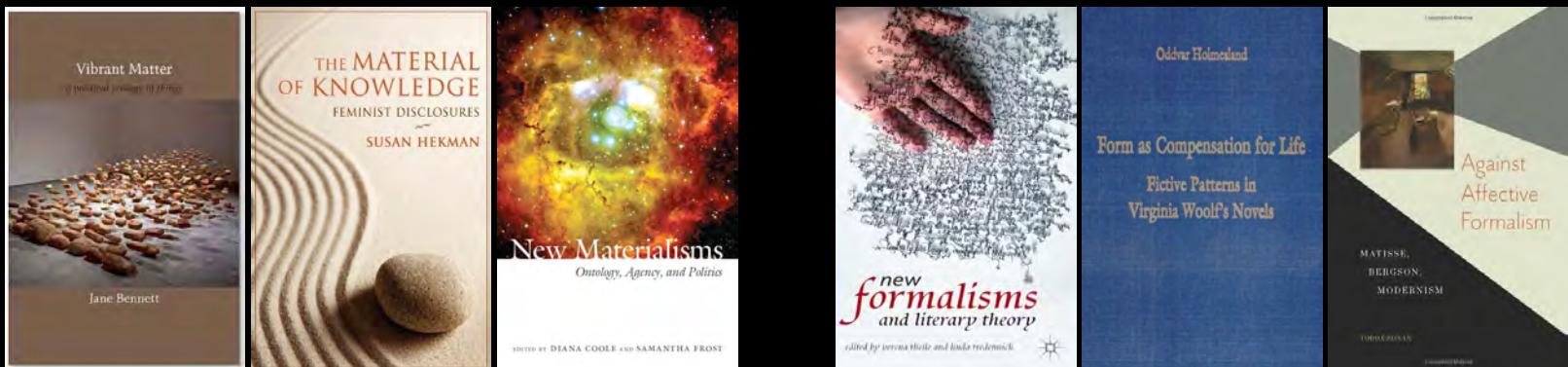




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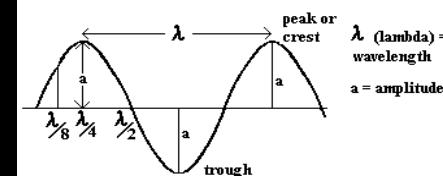
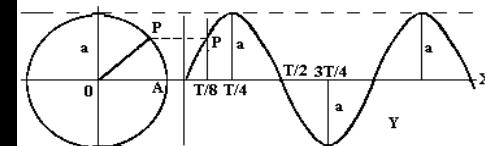
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25.0 Wave motion

P = moving point



$\lambda$  (lambda) =  
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a = amplitude

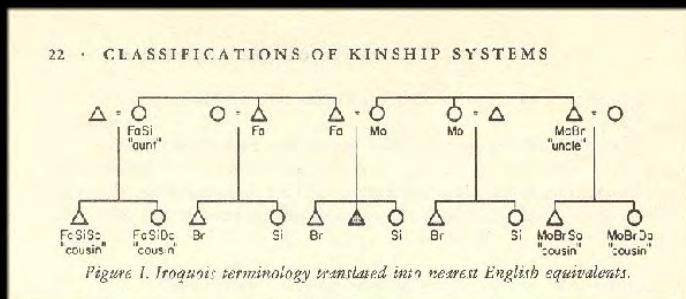
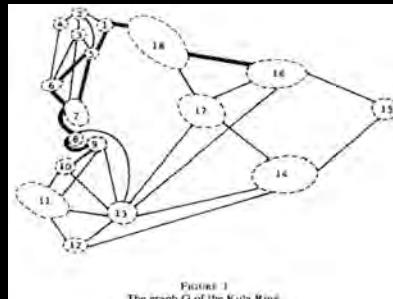
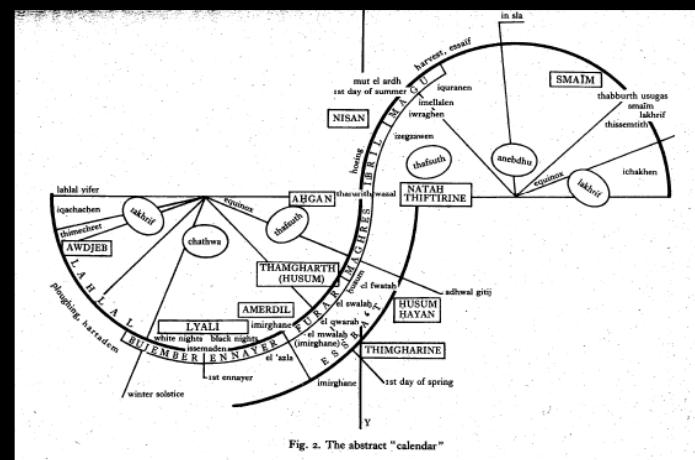
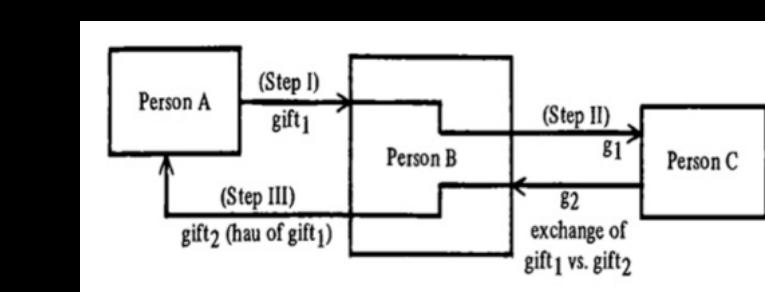
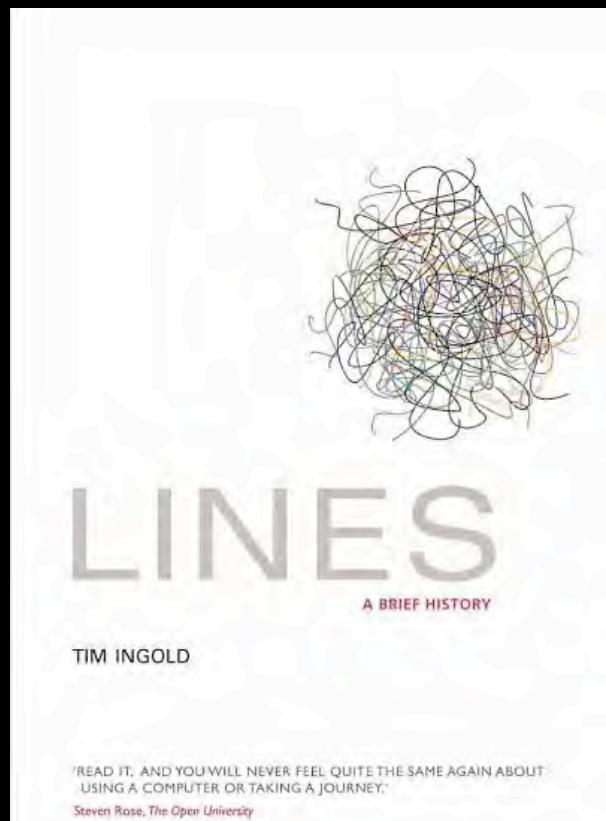
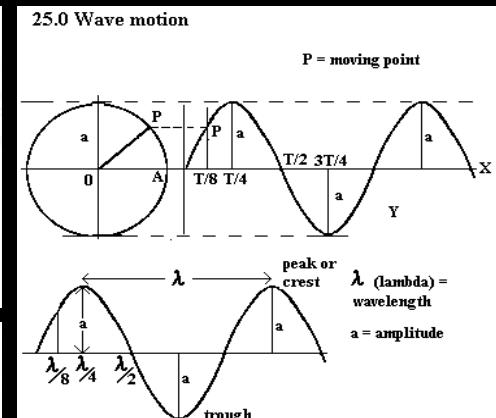
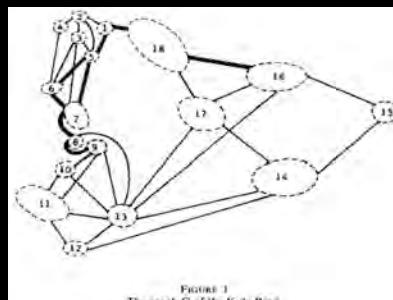
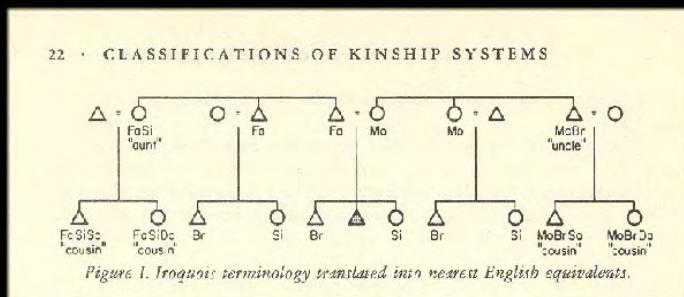
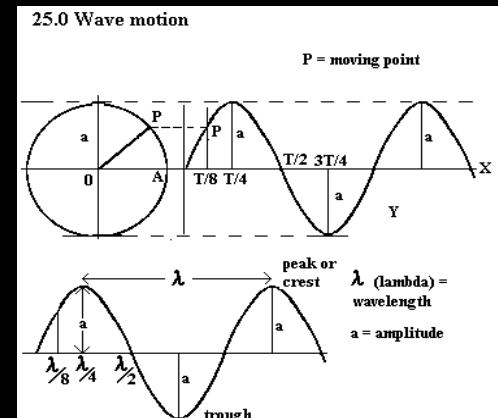
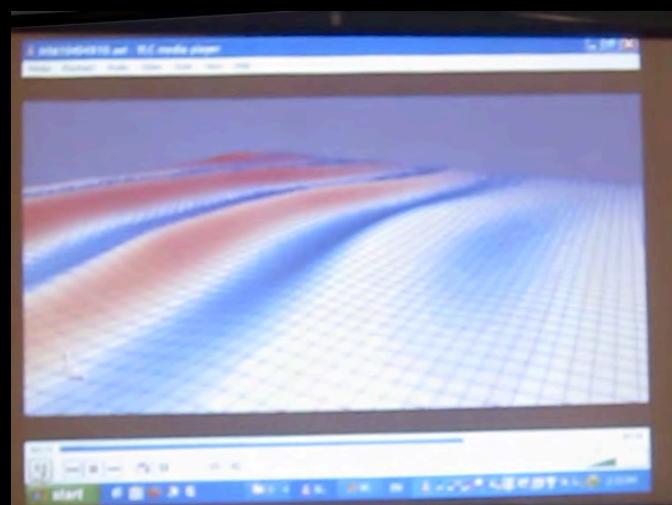
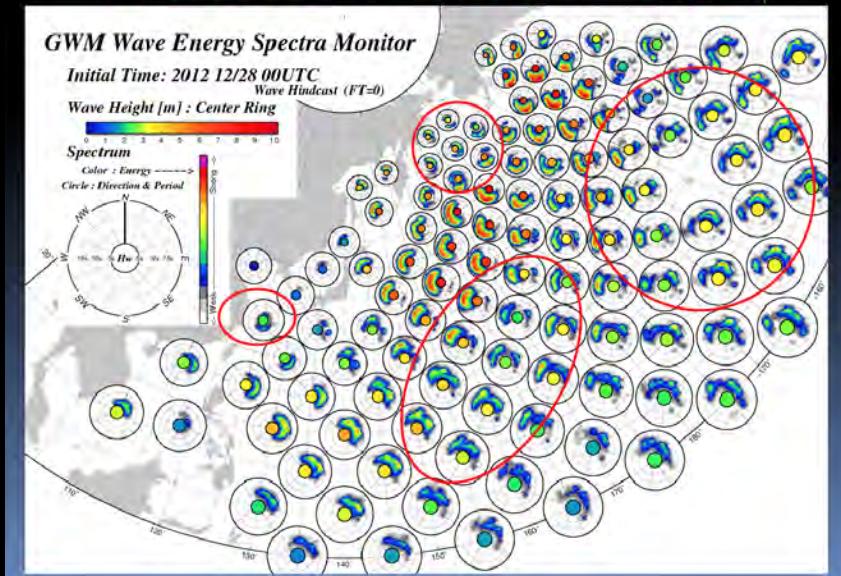


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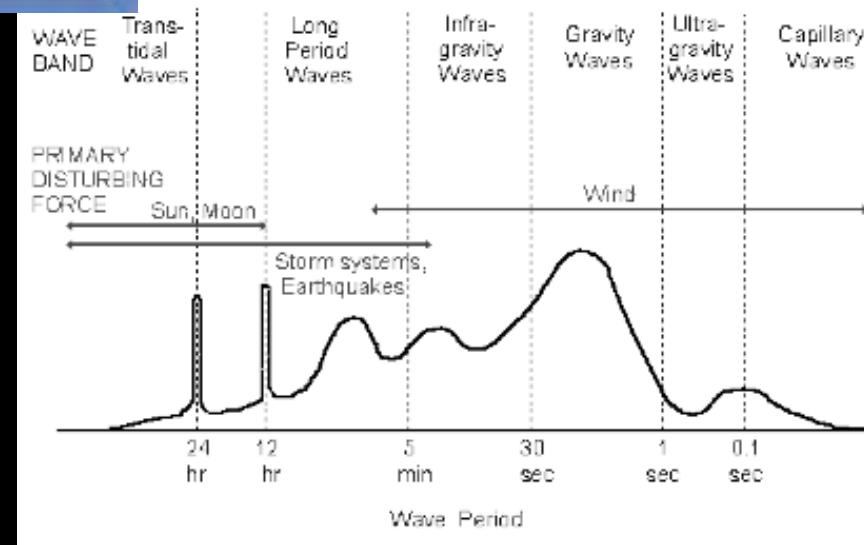


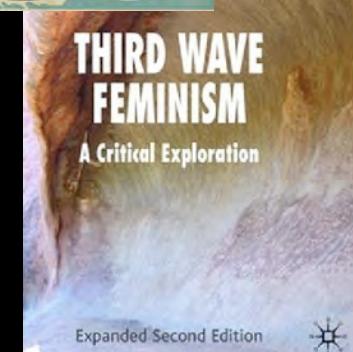
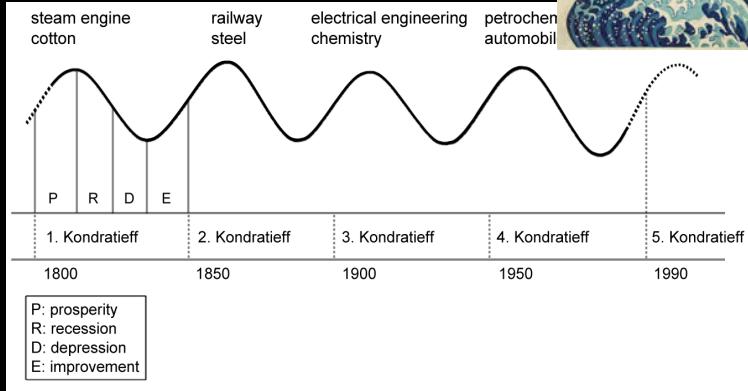
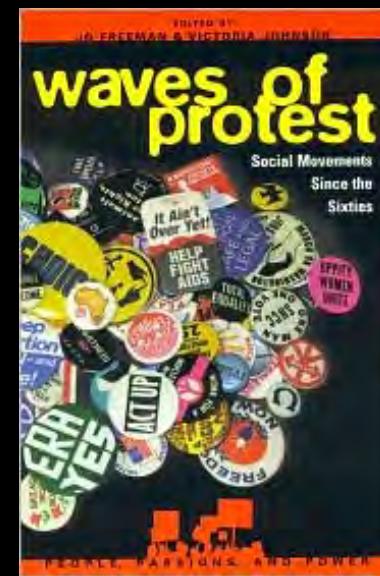
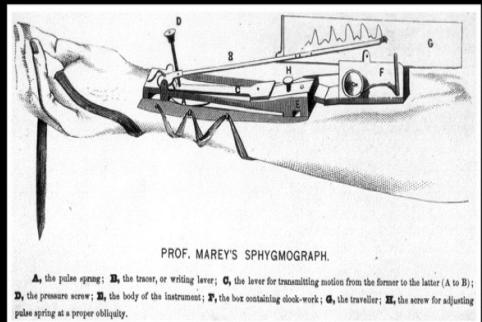
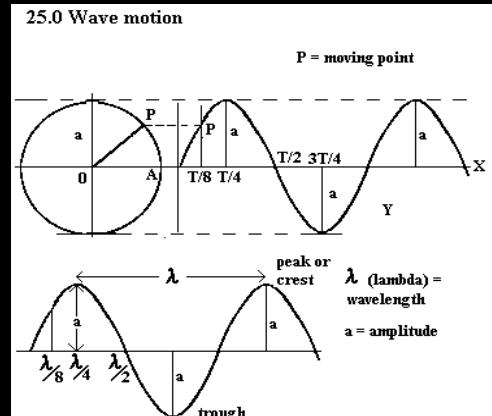
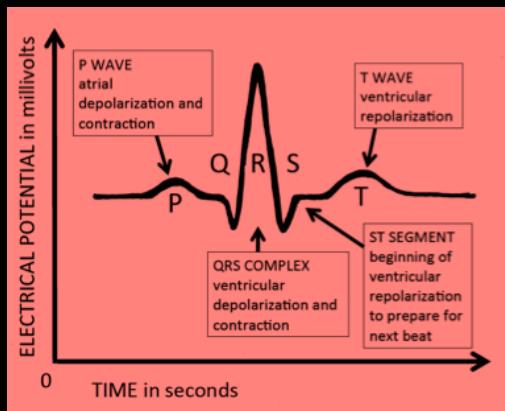
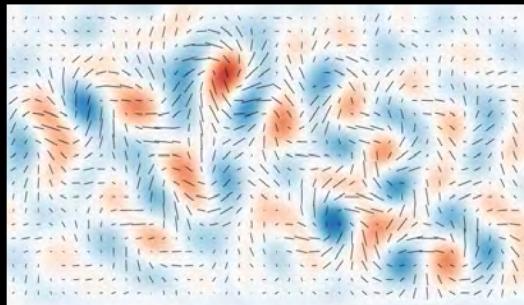


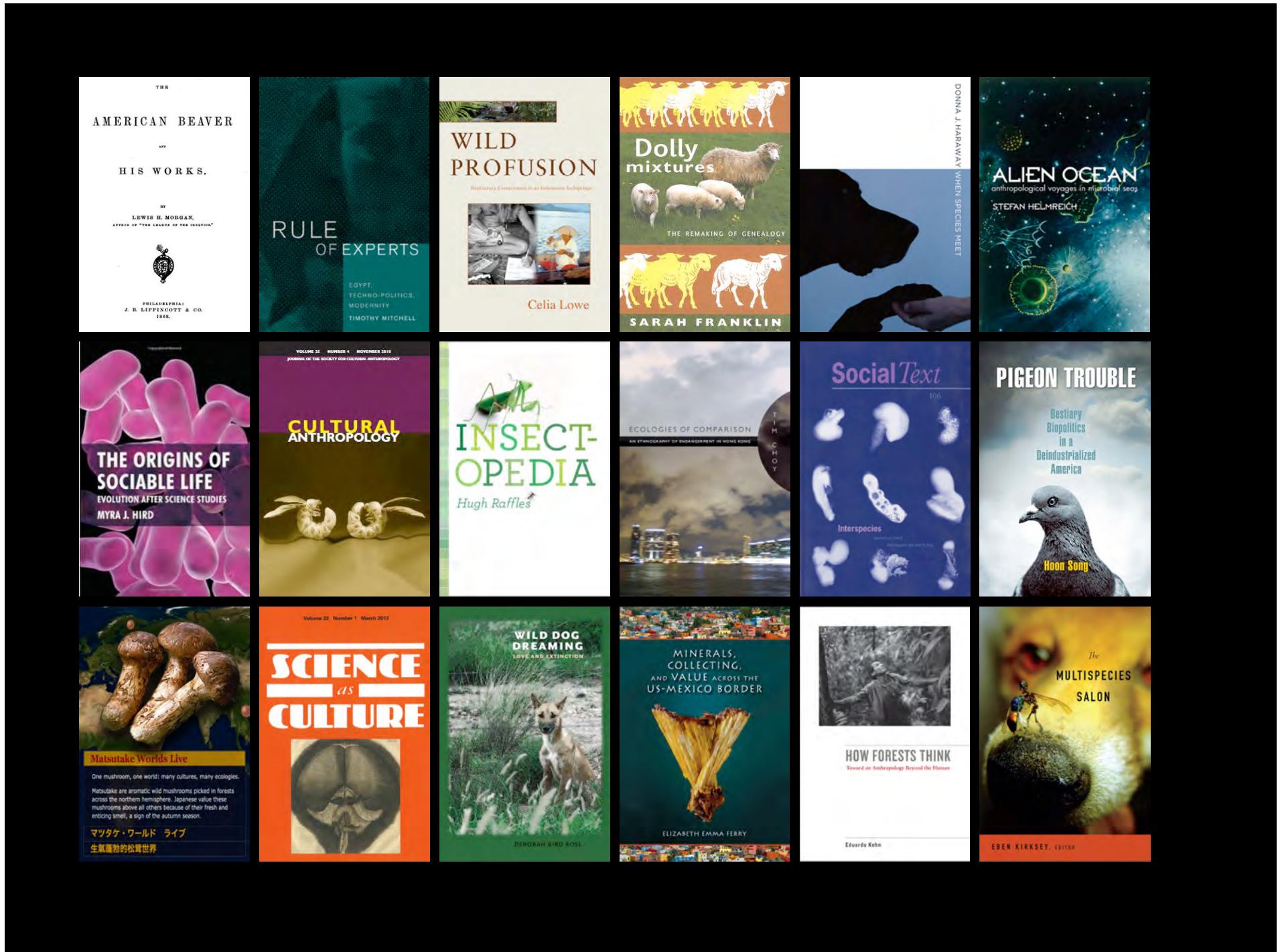
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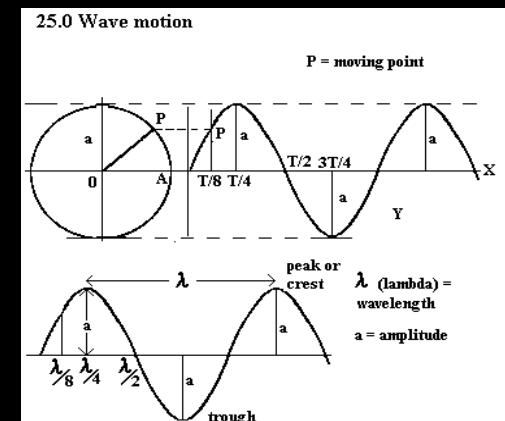
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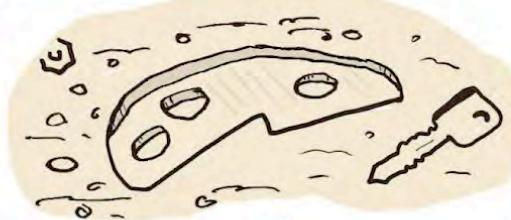


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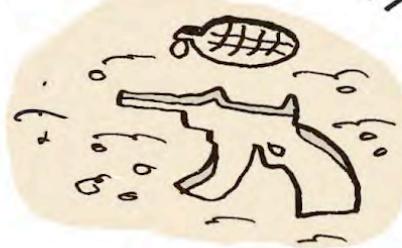
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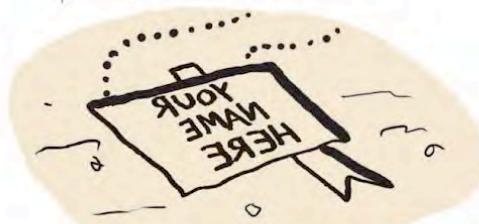
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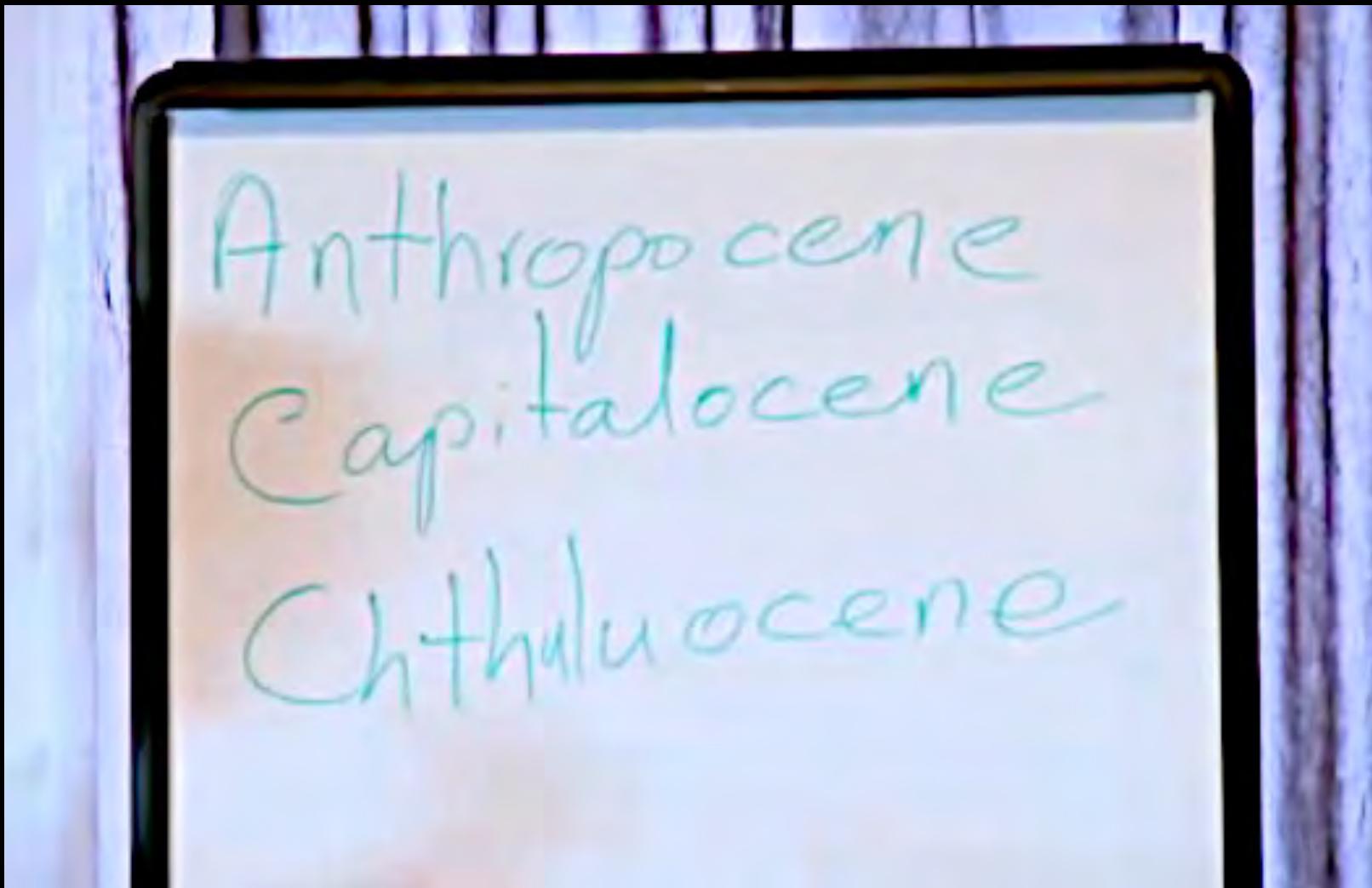


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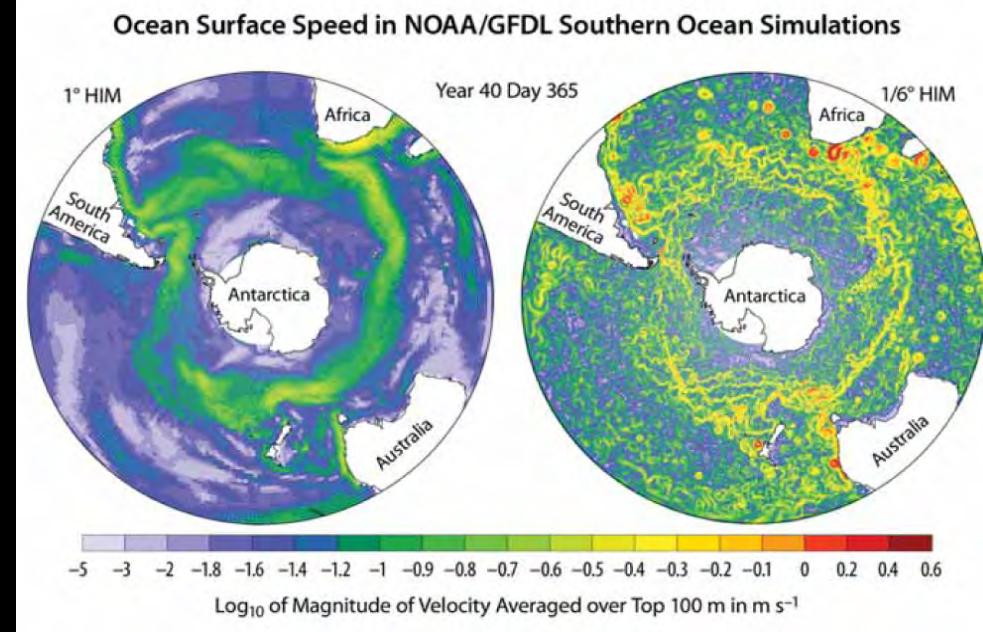
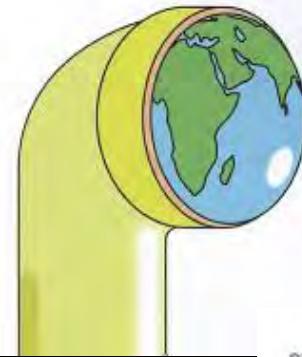


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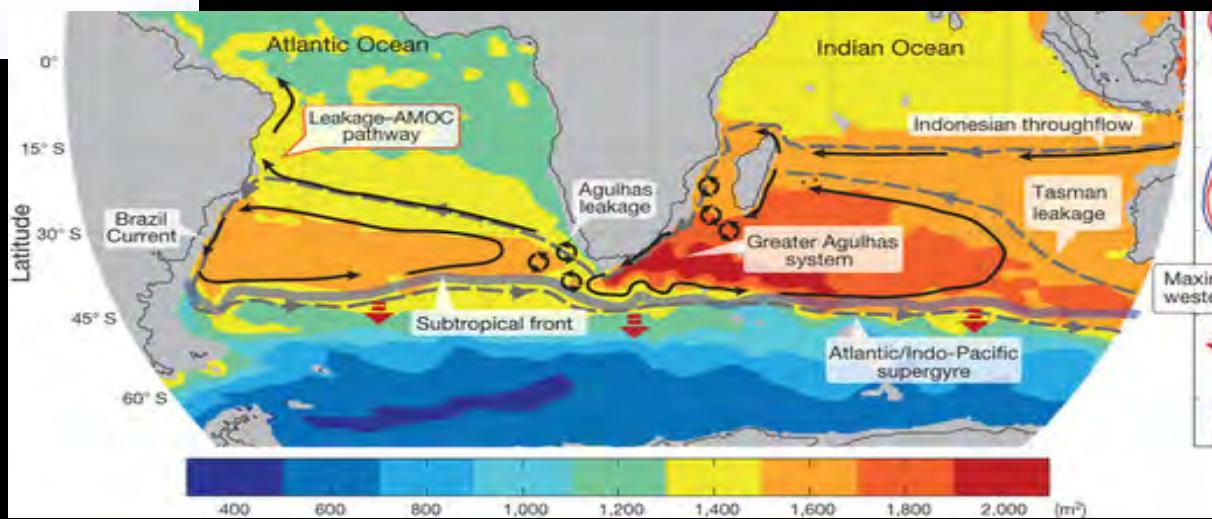
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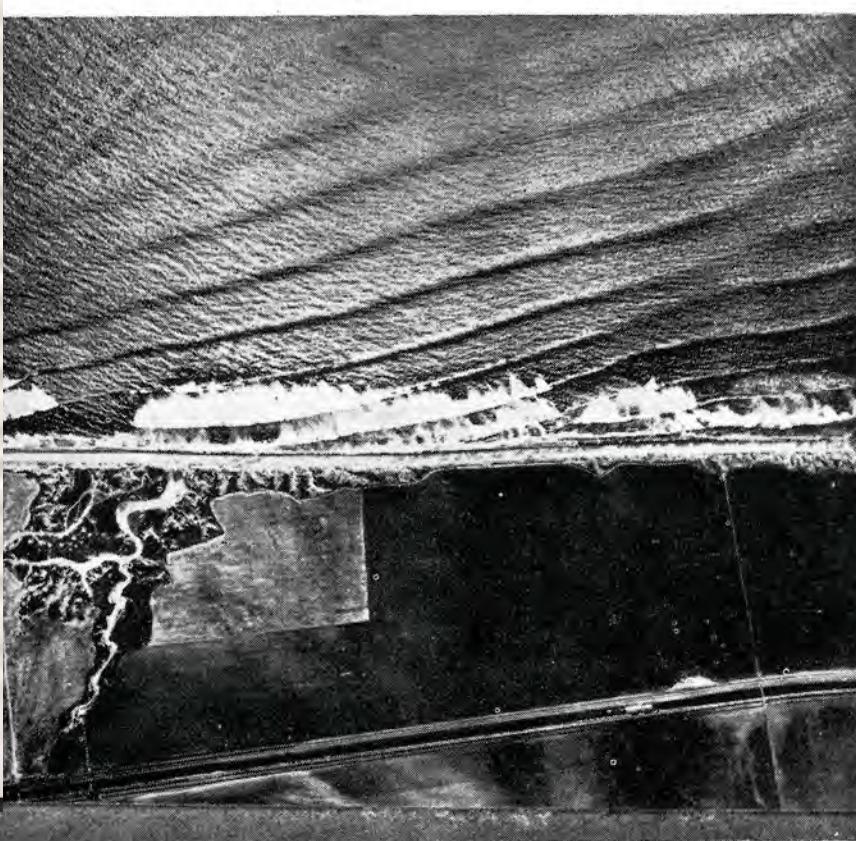
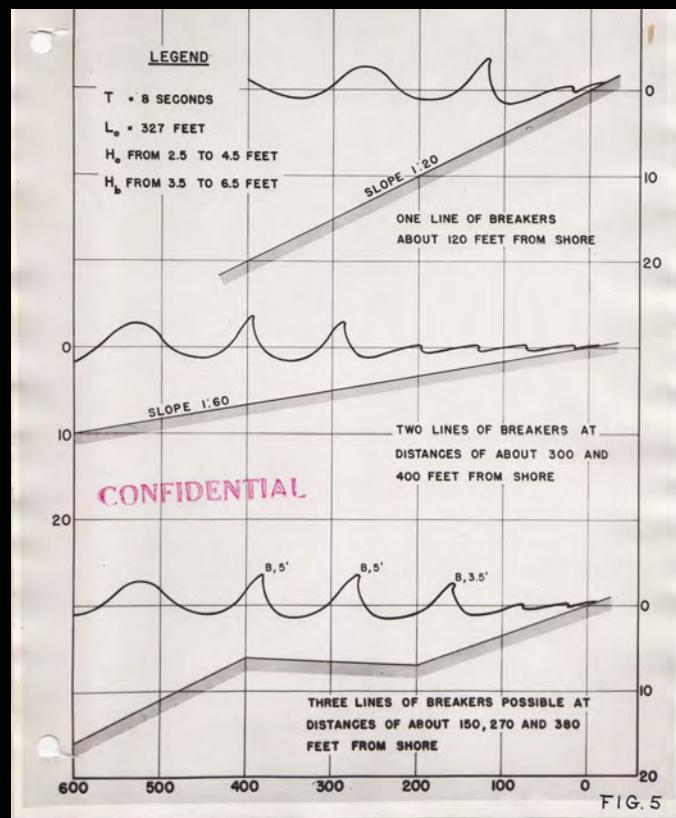




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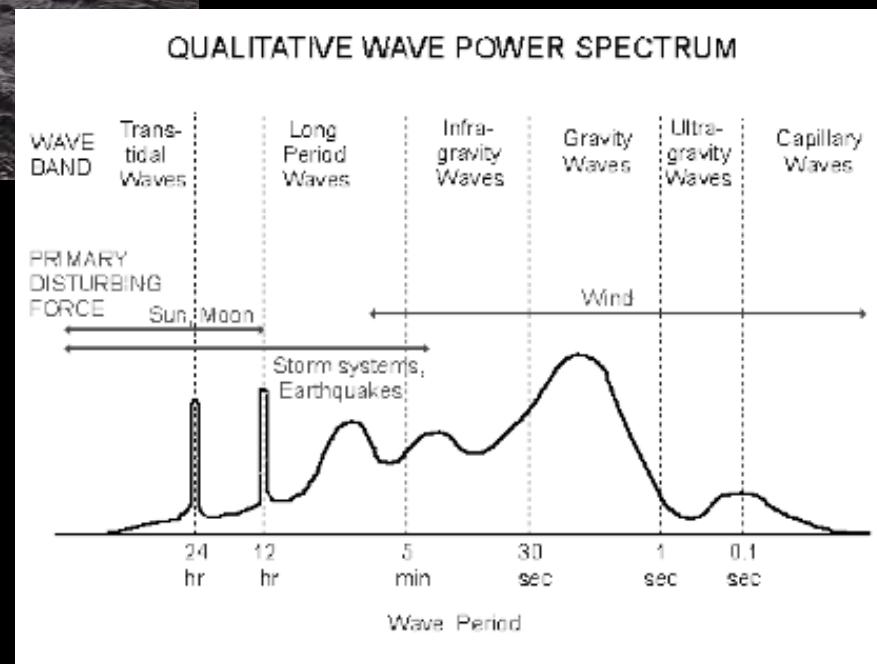


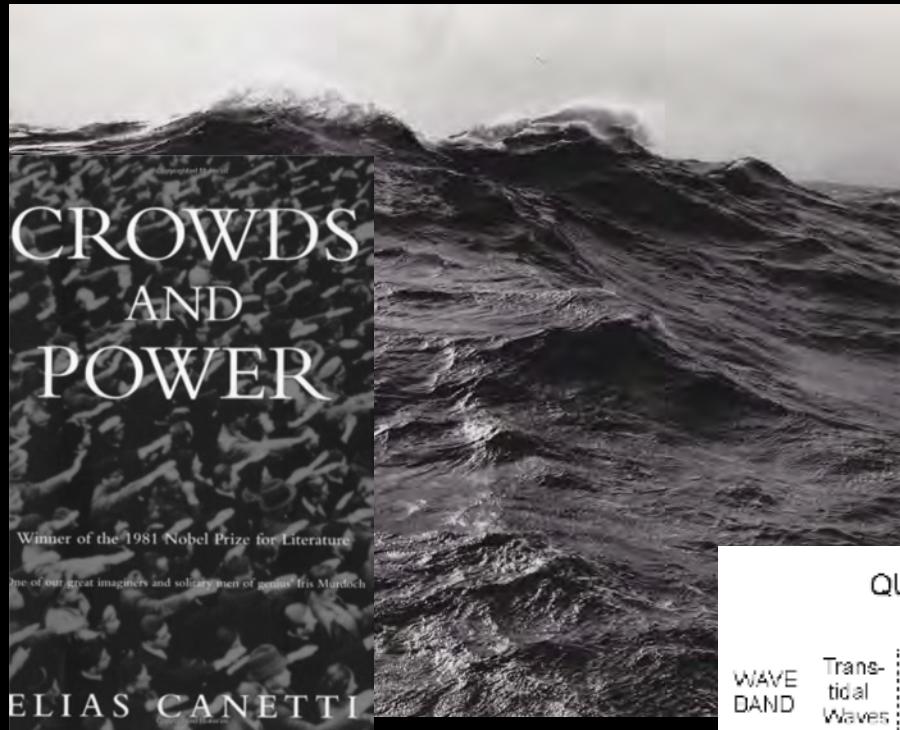
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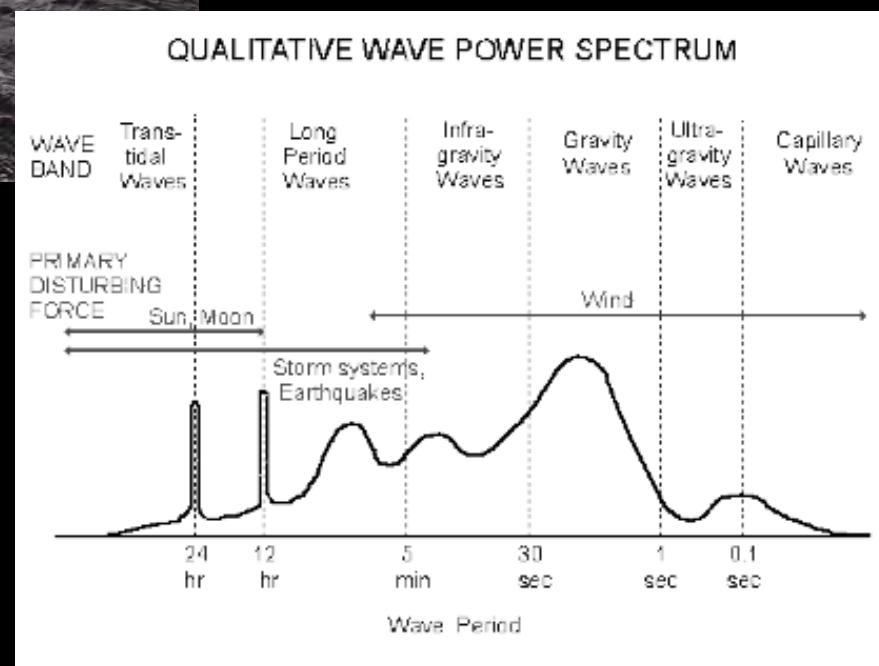


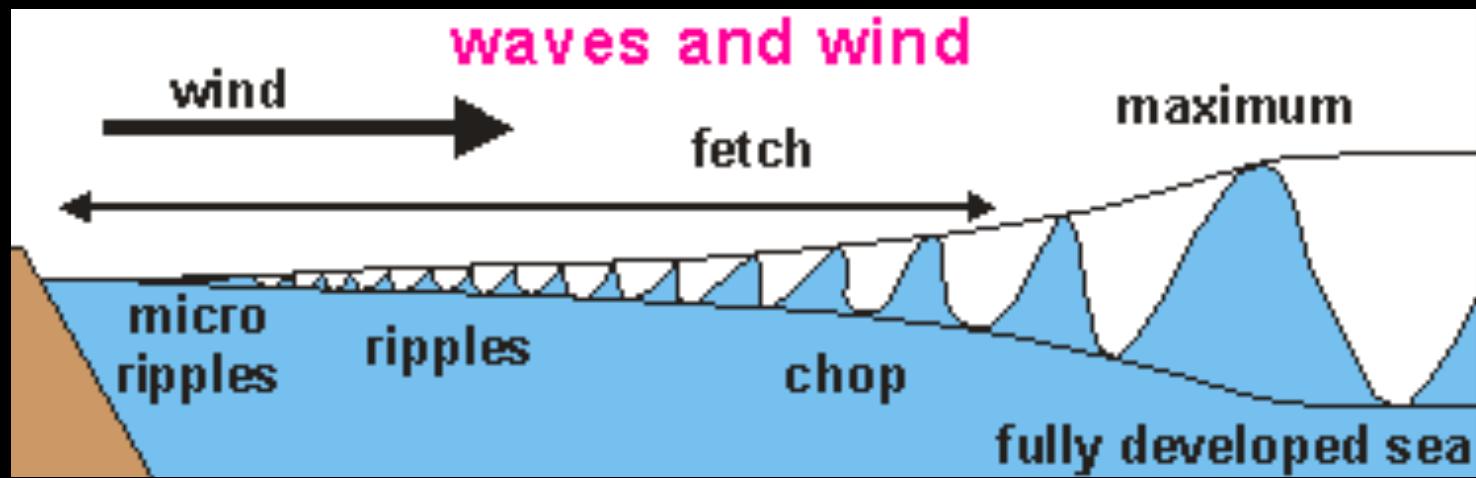


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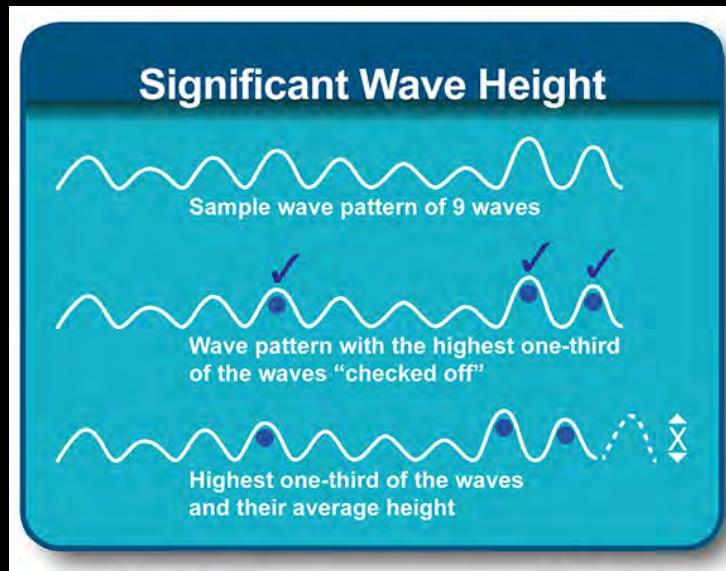
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2.4-meter foam hull buoy  
ARES payload  
43.619 N 77.405 W (43°37'9" N 77°24'18" W)

Site elevation: 74.7 m above mean sea level  
Air temp height: 4 m above site elevation  
Anemometer height: 5 m above site elevation  
Barometer elevation: 74.7 m above mean sea level  
Sea temp depth: 0.6 m below site elevation  
Water depth: 145 m  
Watch circle radius: 225 yards

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Unit of Measure: English Time Zone: Station Local Time Select

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Wind Direction (WDIR):	S ( 190 deg true )
Wind Speed (WSPD):	13.6 kts
Wind Gust (GST):	17.5 kts
Wave Height (WVHT):	3.3 ft
Dominant Wave Period (DPD):	4 sec
Average Period (APD):	3.7 sec
Atmospheric Pressure (PRES):	29.86 in
Pressure Tendency (PTDY):	-0.04 in ( Falling )
Air Temperature (ATMP):	72.7 °F
Water Temperature (WTMP):	57.2 °F

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Owned and maintained by National Data Buoy Center  
3-meter discus buoy  
ARES payload  
34.265 N 120.477 W (34°15'53" N 120°28'37" W)

Site elevation: sea level  
Air temp height: 4 m above site elevation  
Anemometer height: 5 m above site elevation  
Barometer elevation: sea level  
Sea temp depth: 0.6 m below site elevation  
Water depth: 382.3 m  
Watch circle radius: 813 yards

NOTICE: In addition to the present 3 meter hull for station 46054, the old 10 meter hull (10D12) is still located at position 34.273N, 120.462W (34°16'22"N 120°27'42"W)

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BOSTON 16 NM East of Boston, MA  
42.346N 70.651W

### Weather Conditions

2:50 pm EDT 14-Oct-2014

**Wind:** SSW (200°), 14 kts (25 kph)

**Gust:** 16 kts (29 kph)

**Seas:** 1.6 ft (0.5 m)

**Peak Period:** 11 sec

**Pressure:** 30.19 inHg (1022.3 mb) falling

**Air Temp:** 67 °F (20 °C)

**Water Temp:** 59 °F (15 °C)

**Dew Point:** 64 °F (18 °C)

### Wave Summary

3:00 pm EDT 14-Oct-2014

**Swell:** 1.0 ft (0.3 m)

**Period:** 10.8 sec

**Direction:** ESE

**Wind Wave:** 1.3 ft (0.4 m)

**Period:** 3.4 sec

**Direction:** ESE

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#### Wave Height (Feet) - 24 Hours

Time	Wave Height (Feet)
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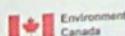
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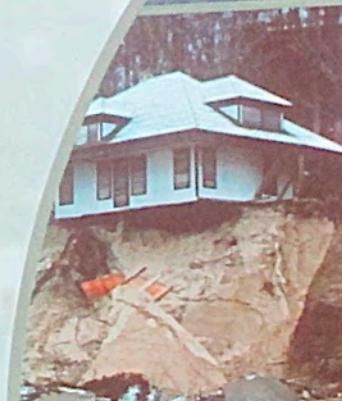
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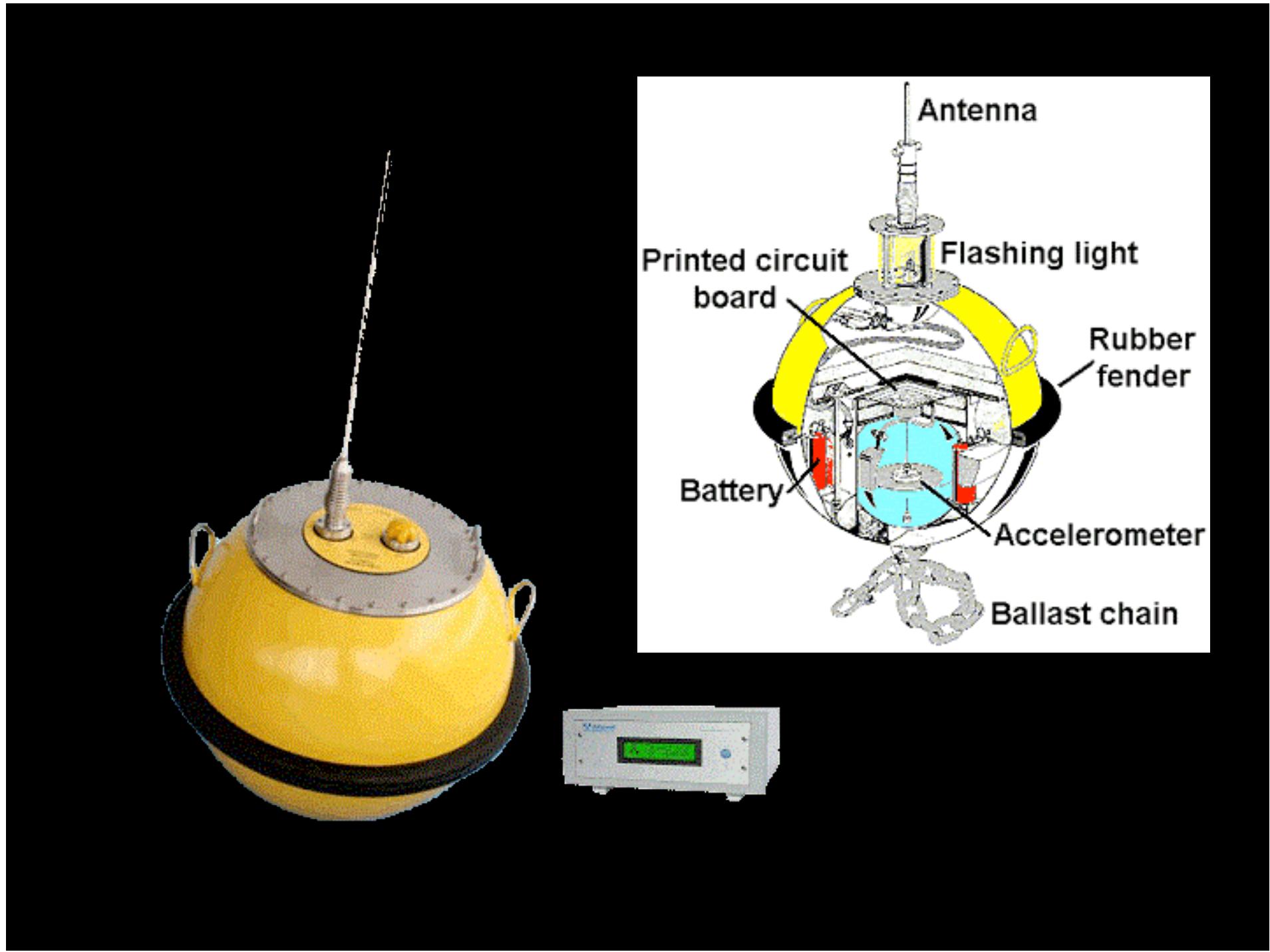
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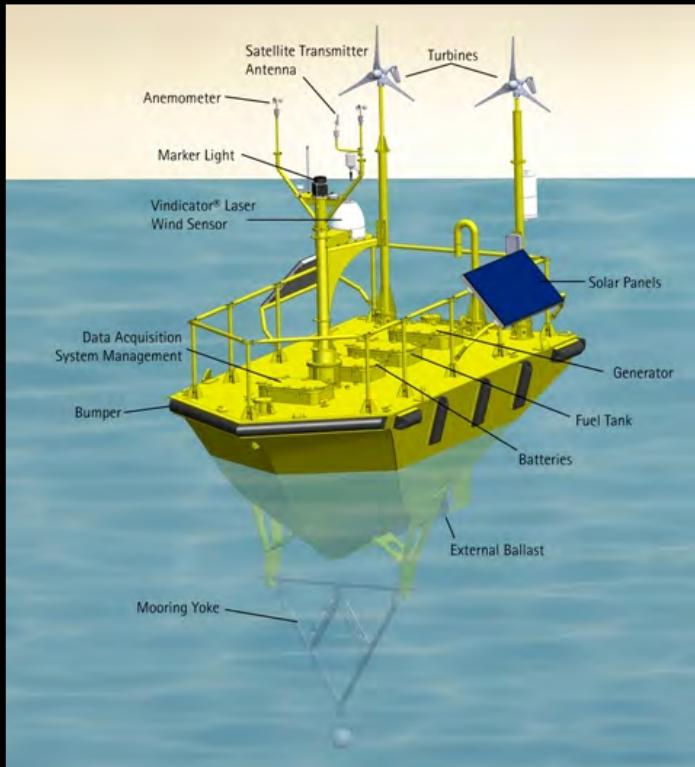


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NOMAD buoy, by AXYS



SAAB/Rosemount WaveRadar,  
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“This was photographed in  
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Borneo,” *from Kevin Ewans et  
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## Background for the study Uncertainties

### Uncertainties

- Aleatory (physical) uncertainty
  - Epistemic (knowledge) uncertainty
- Bitner-Gregersen and Hagen (1990, J. Marine Safety) proposed classification of met-ocean uncertainties. The proposed definitions were later generalised and included in DNV Rules (DNV, 1992).
- Data uncertainty
  - Statistical uncertainty (**sampling variability**, fitting procedure)
  - Model uncertainty (physical model, adopted distributions to fit the data).
  - Climatic uncertainty (different time periods which the data sources cover as well as different locations they represent).

- The **true value  $T$**  of a quantity considered is an ideal number which can be known only if all sources of error are eliminated (bias and precision).
- **Sampling variability – uncertainty due to limited numbers of observations.**
- Usually measurements **17.5-30 min..**



- **Random sea.**
- **Statistics of sea surface will be influenced by this uncertainty.**

from Elzbieta Bitner-Gregersen et al. 2013. "Intrinsic Variability in Wave Parameters and Effect on Wave Statistics," Forecasting Dangerous Sea States, Banff, Alberta, Canada, October 27-November 1.

from Alexander Babanin et al.  
2014. "Third Generation  
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Observational Physics,"  
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Radiative Transfer Equation is used in  
spectral models for wave forecast

$$\frac{dE(k, f, \theta, x, t)}{dt} = S_{tot} = S_{in} + S_{ds} + S_{nl} + S_{bf}$$

- Describes temporal and spatial evolution of the wave energy spectrum  $E(k, f, \theta, t, x)$

$S_{tot}$  – all physical processes which affect the energy transfer  
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 $S_{ds}$  – dissipation due to wave breaking  
 $S_{nl}$  – nonlinear interaction between spectral components  
 $S_{bf}$  – dissipation due to interaction with the bottom

the wave equation

The diagram illustrates the wave equation  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$ . It features a central equation with two second partial derivative terms. The left term is labeled "second partial derivative with respect to time" and the right term is labeled "second partial derivative with respect to space". Above the equation, the word "displacement" is written. Below the equation, the symbol "speed squared" is written between the two derivative terms.

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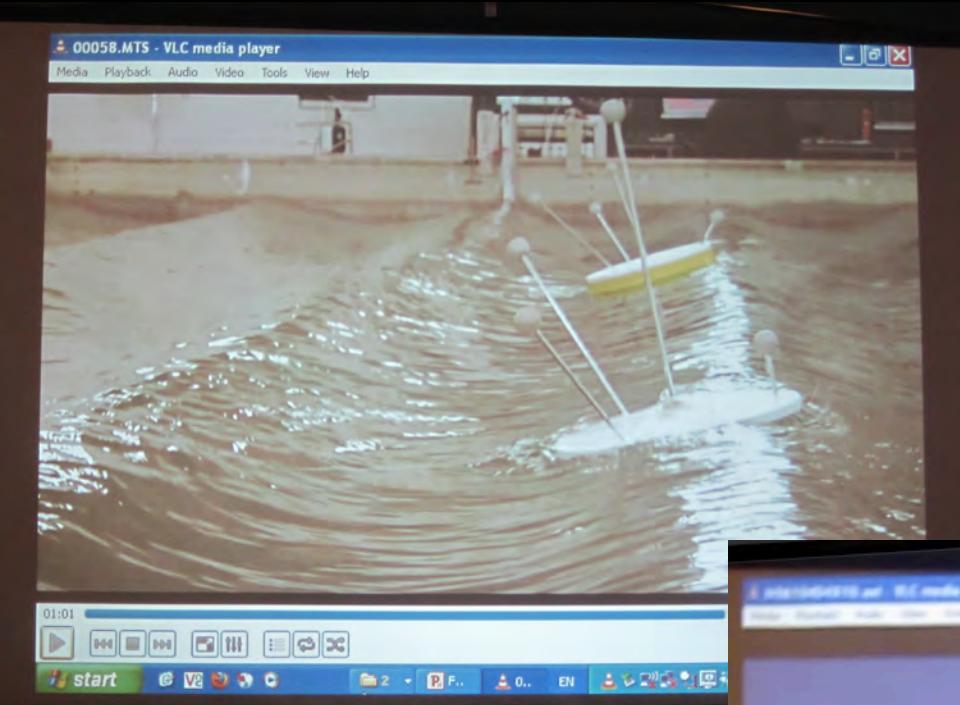
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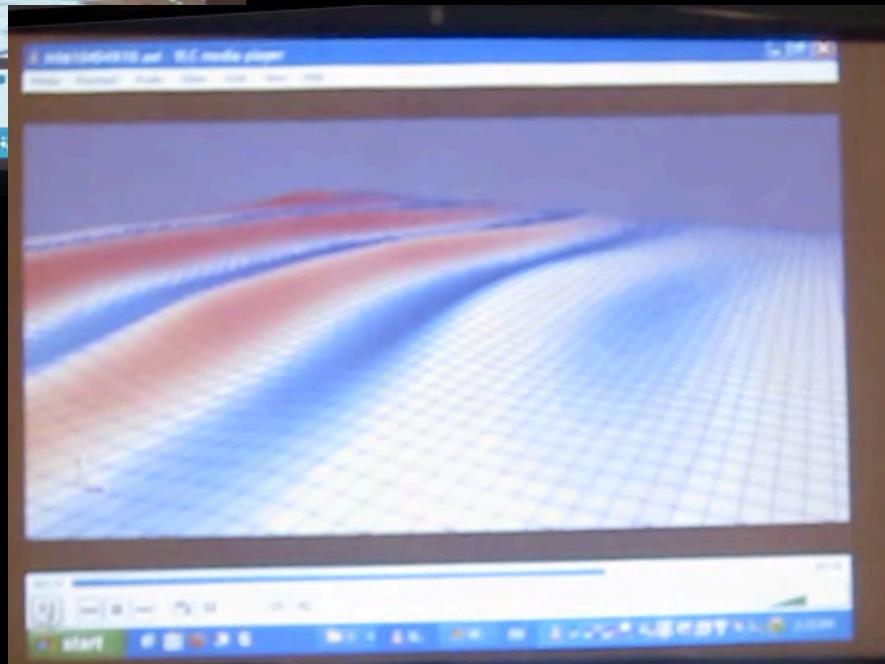
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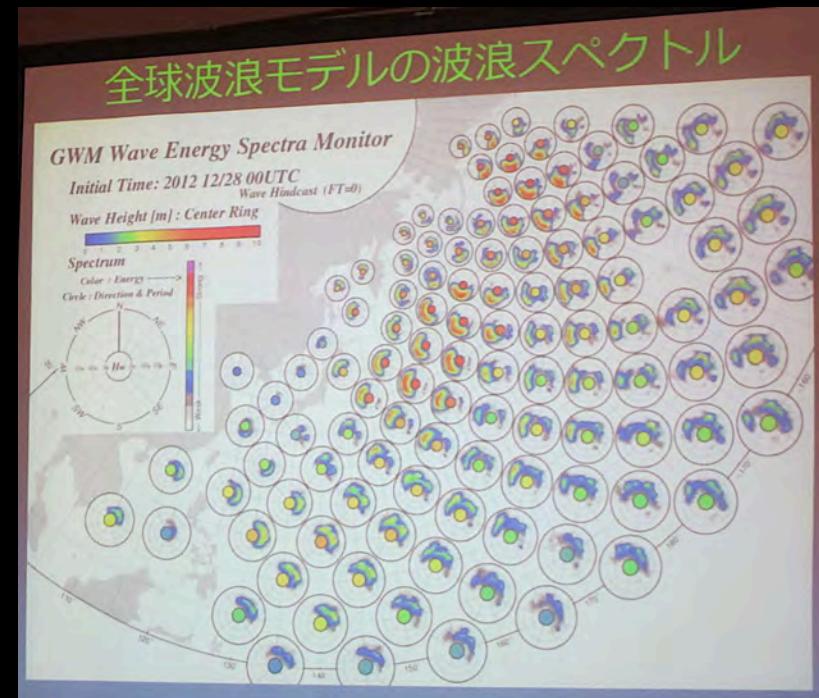
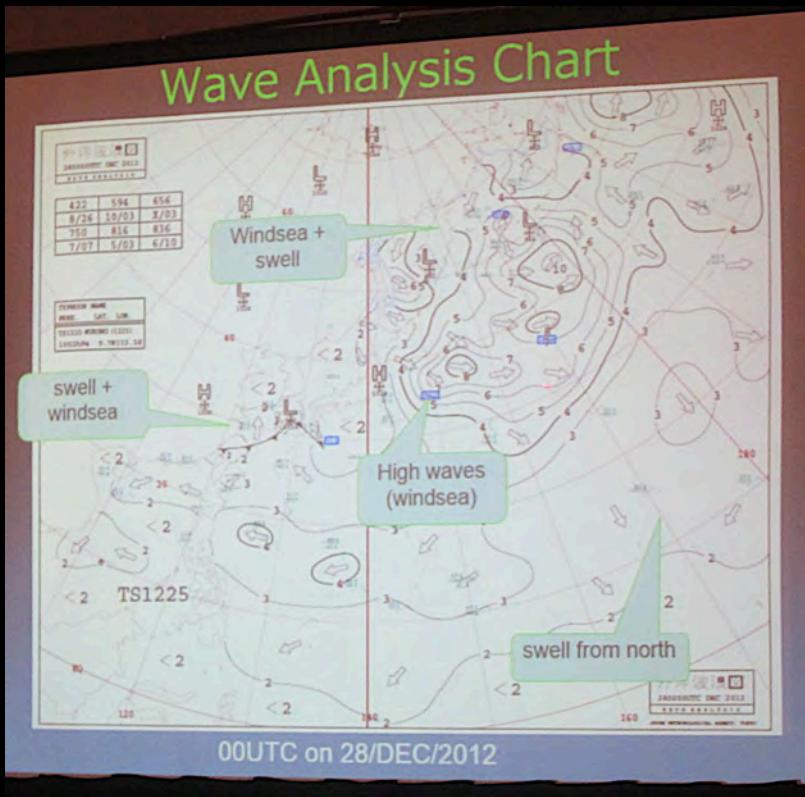
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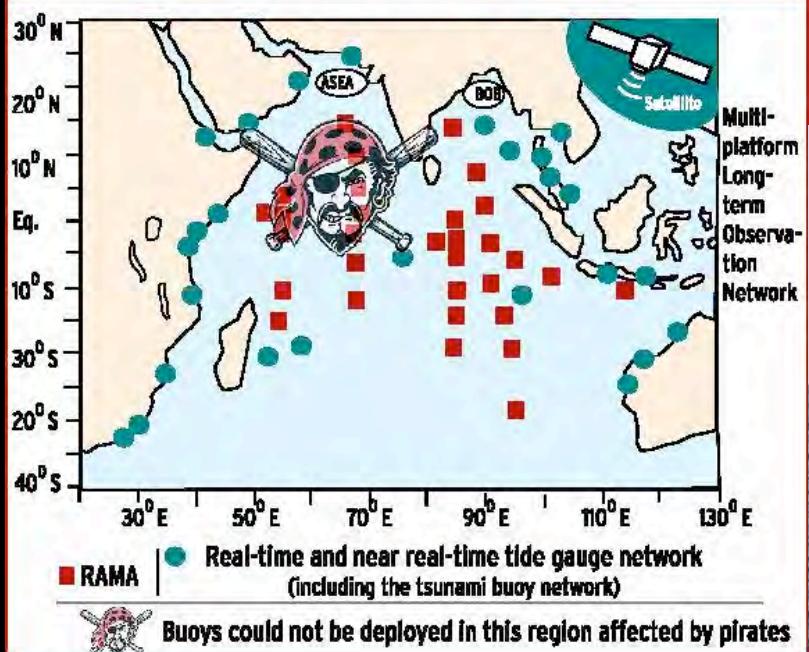


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## Indian Ocean Observing System (IndOOS)



"theft of sensors and solar panel from a Weather /Ocean buoy,"

[www.vos.noaa.gov/MWL/apr\\_10/vandalism.shtml](http://www.vos.noaa.gov/MWL/apr_10/vandalism.shtml)



“An IBM supercomputer at the National Weather Service runs numerical weather models that create guidance for weather forecasters. This supercomputer can make more than 450 billion calculations per second,” photo, NOAA, on [www.e-education.psu.edu/worldofweather/node/2029](http://www.e-education.psu.edu/worldofweather/node/2029)

## Forecasting Dangerous Sea States

- Dangerous? Not high seas but are they predicted well.
- Missing windows, weather deteriorates too early
- Blackness data suppliers to what is important to us



A photograph of a large cargo ship with multiple masts and cranes, sailing on a body of water. The ship is dark-colored and appears to be moving through some choppy, light-blue water. The sky above is overcast and hazy.

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*from Frank Melger. 2013. "Dangerous Hardly Visible Seas from an Installation Contractor Perspective," Forecasting Dangerous Sea States, Banff, Alberta, Canada, October 27-November 1.*



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## St Jude's Storm shutdown: Eurostar and Monday morning train services cancelled across south as coast is lashed by 25ft waves

- Amendments and cancellations on First Capital Connect, Southeastern, Greater Anglia and Stansted Express
- Also disruption on East Coast, c2c, First Great Western, Southern, Gatwick Express and South West Trains
- Ferries from Poole and Weymouth to Guernsey & Jersey cancelled and hovercrafts to Isle of Wight suspended
- About 60 flights cancelled at London Heathrow Airport tomorrow but none yet at Gatwick, Stansted and Luton
- Forecasters warn houses face damage, trees falling and power cuts in biggest storm to hit Britain in a decade
- Wales and South West England will be hit first early tomorrow morning with winds of up to 90mph expected
- Boy, 14, believed to have drowned today after swimming with friends in waves off Newhaven in East Sussex
- Canoeist dies after being pulled from swollen River Tees near Barnard Castle, County Durham, after capsizing

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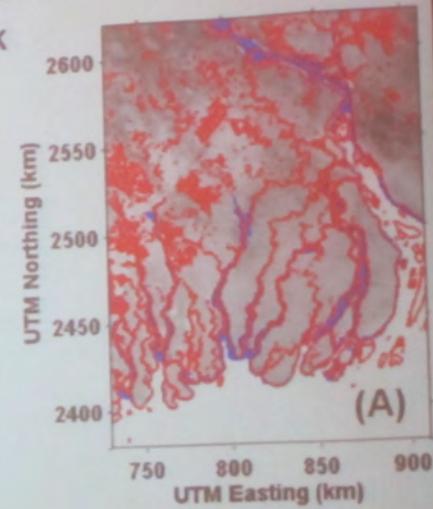
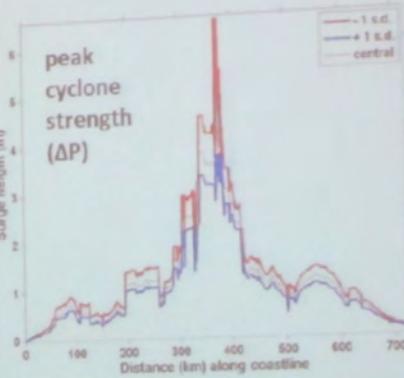
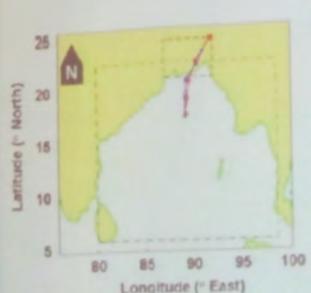


“A kite surfer enjoys the stormy seas at Fistral Beach, in Newquay, Cornwall, yesterday ahead of the storm,”  
[www.dailymail.co.uk](http://www.dailymail.co.uk)

“Waves: A search was launched for a 14-year-old boy who was swept out to sea while swimming near the shore in Newhaven, East Sussex,”  
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# Modelling coastal flood risk in the data poor Bay of Bengal region

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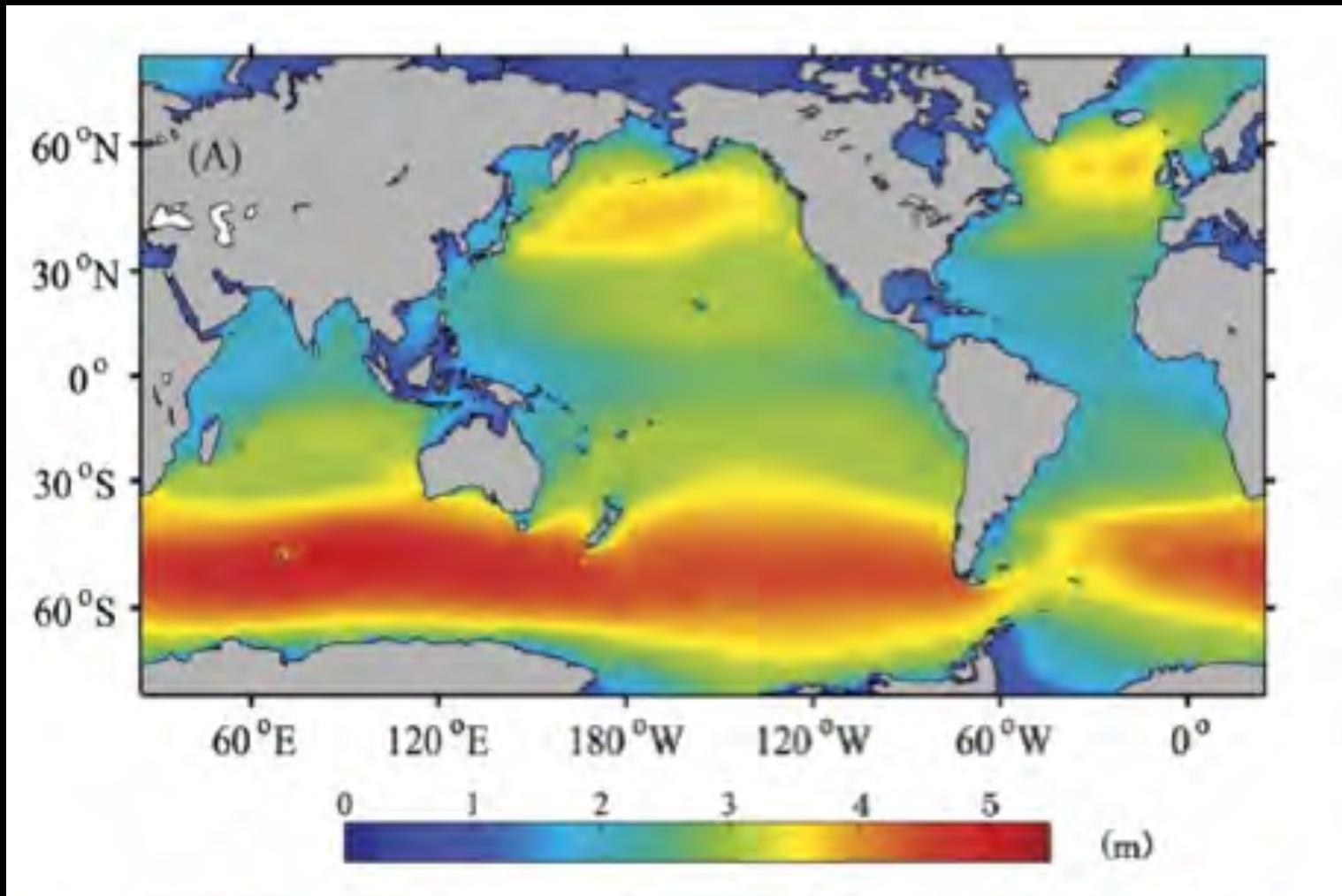
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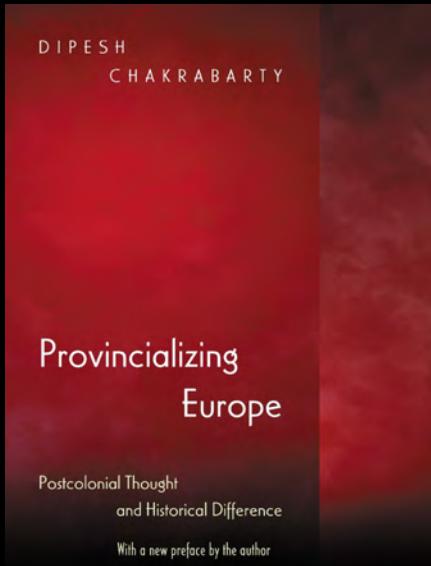
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Projected annual mean changes in *significant wave height* for the years 2069-2100 — Fig 7a from Alvaro Semedo et al. 2013. “Projection of Global Wave Climate Change toward the End of the Twenty-First Century,” *Journal of Climate* 26(21): 8269-8288.



History 1: normative, secular,  
Enlightenment history, as told by the West

History 2: subaltern, postcolonial,  
sometimes supernatural accounts

— Dipesh Chakrabarty. 2000.  
*Provincializing Europe: Postcolonial Thought and Historical Difference*.  
Princeton NJ: Princeton University Press.



History 3: naturalhistorical

History 4°C: historiography — but also future-fashioning — demanded by the Anthropocene

— Ian Baucom. 2014.  
“Postcolonial Method and Anthropocene Time,”  
Center for 21<sup>st</sup> Century  
Studies, University of Wisconsin,  
Milwaukee, February 7

## Background for the study

- Abnormal waves, called also rogue or freak
- The risk for ships and offshore structures to encountering dangerous sea states has been emphasized by news-media within the last years with increasing frequency.
- Especially accidents with subsequent pollution of large coastal areas (Erika, Prestige, MSC Napoli), ship damage (Caledonia Star, Bremen, Schiehallion, Explorer, Voyager, Norwegian Dawn) and human injuries (e.g. Norwegian Dawn, Louis Majesty) have highlighted that improvements are needed to reduce the risk of these types of accidents.
- The recent hurricanes in the Gulf of Mexico have confirmed that extreme sea states can be dangerous for marine structures.
- Questions arisen

Are design and operation changes due to rogue waves needed?

How to design and operate in extreme seas?

Will we see more of these waves in the changing climate?

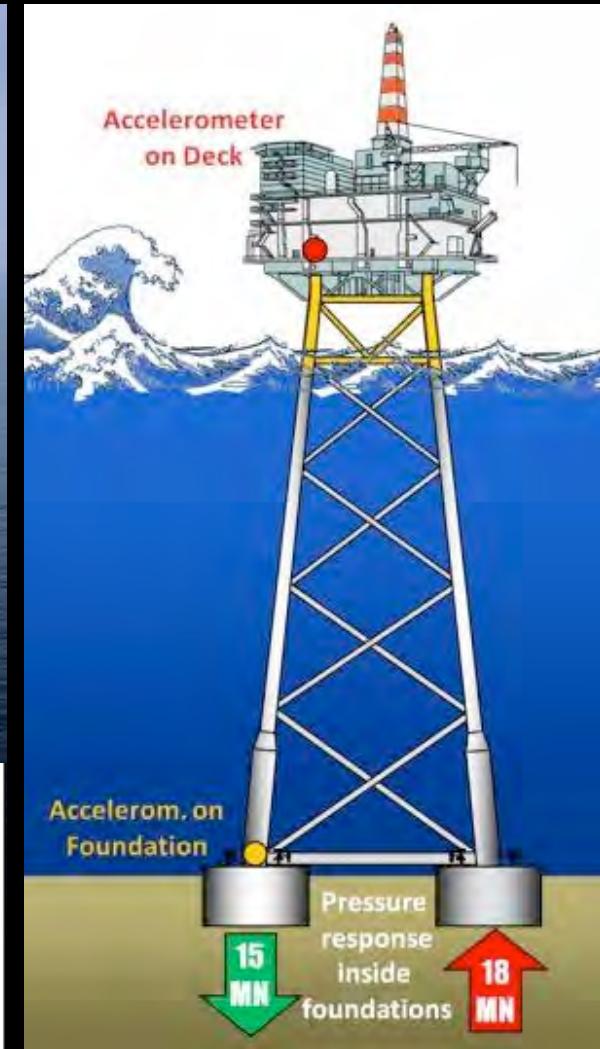
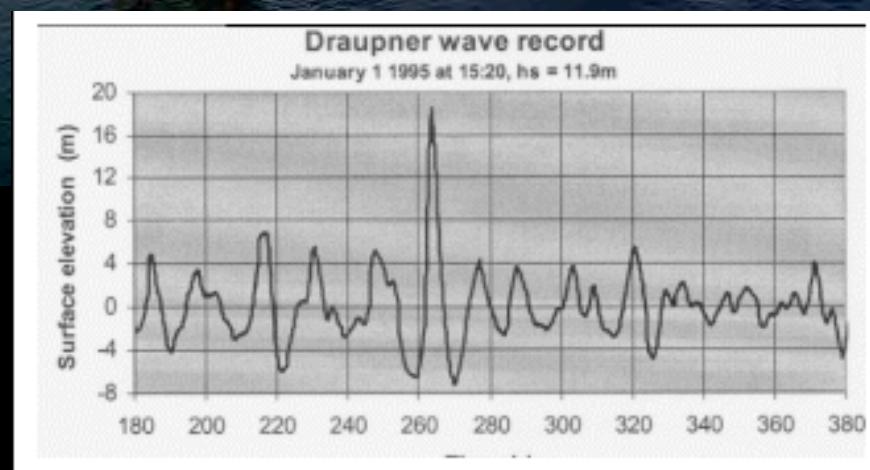
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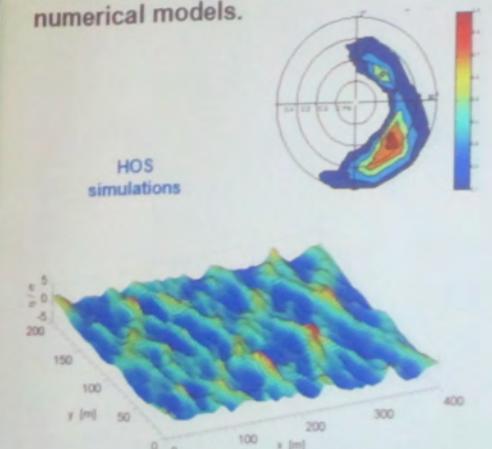
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## Probability of occurrence of rogue-prone crossing seas

- We can generate rogue-prone crossing seas in the laboratory and by the numerical models.

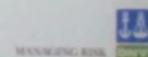


- Can combined wave systems with almost the same  $H_s$  and  $T_p$  and we observe them in the nature? How frequent they will occur?

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“Crossing seas,” Île de Ré  
Photo, Michel Griffon, 2011  
The locations characterised by different wave climate

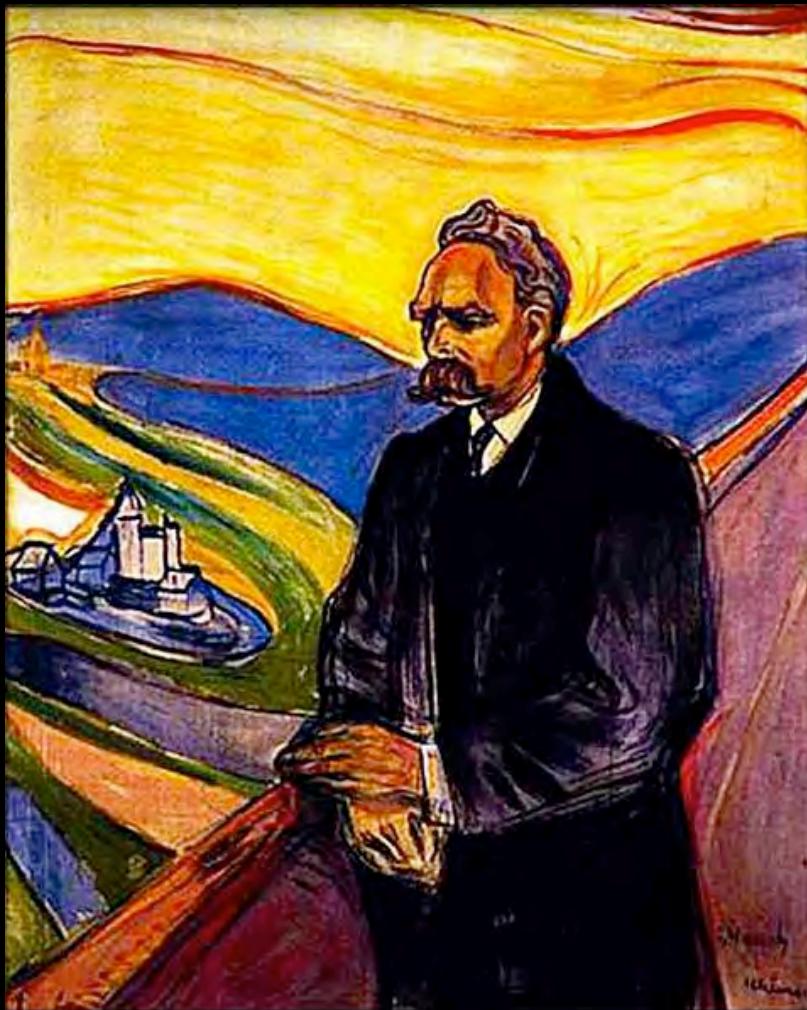


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Image from The Hexaemeron, Homily IV, St. Basil the Great (AD 329-379)

when the sea meets the land, it “withdraws out of respect, *bowing its waves*, as if to worship the Lord who has appointed its limits.”



Nietzsche, by Edvard Munch, oil on canvas, 1906

“How greedily this wave approaches, as if it were after something! How it crawls with terrifying haste into the inmost nooks of this labyrinthine cliff! But already another wave is approaching, still more greedily and savagely than the first, and its soul, too, seems to be full of secrets and the lust to dig up treasures” — Nietzsche. 1882.  
*The Gay Science.*



**"Mi vida con la ola"**  
de Octavio Paz

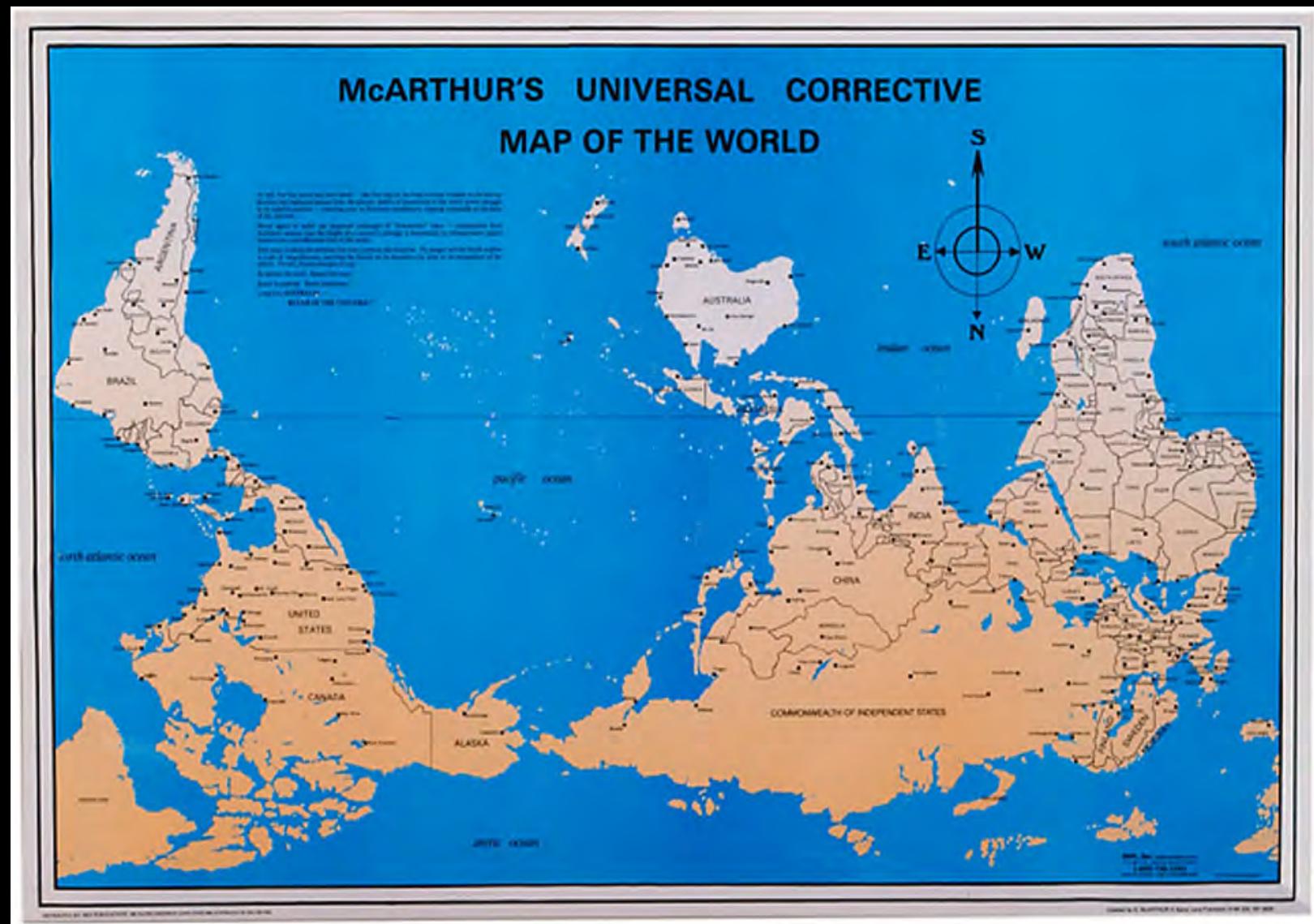
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“The chief engineer of the Stolt Surf took photographs as the tanker met a rogue wave in 1977. The deck, nearly 75 feet above sea level, was submerged,” William Broad. 2006. “Rogue Giants at Sea,” *New York Times*, July 11. [www.nytimes.com/2006/07/11/science/11wave.html?pagewanted=all](http://www.nytimes.com/2006/07/11/science/11wave.html?pagewanted=all)





## A global perspective on CMIP5 climate model biases

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The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's Fifth Assessment Report largely depends on simulations, predictions and projections by climate models<sup>1</sup>. Most models, however, have deficiencies and biases that raise large uncertainties in their products. Over the past several decades, a tremendous effort has been made to improve model performance in the simulation of special regions and aspects of the climate system<sup>2–4</sup>. Here we show that biases or errors in special regions can be linked with others at far away locations. We find in 22 climate models that regional sea surface temperature (SST) biases are commonly linked with the Atlantic meridional overturning circulation (AMOC), which is characterized by the northward flow in the upper ocean and returning southward flow in the deep ocean. A simulated weak AMOC is associated with cold biases in the entire Northern Hemisphere with an atmospheric pattern that resembles the Northern Hemisphere annular mode. The AMOC weakening is also associated with a strengthening of Antarctic Bottom Water formation and warm SST biases in the Southern Ocean. It is also shown that cold biases in the tropical North Atlantic and West African/Indian monsoon regions during the warm season in the Northern Hemisphere have interhemispheric links with warm SST biases in the tropical southeastern Pacific and Atlantic, respectively. The results suggest that improving the simulation of regional processes may not suffice for overall better model performance, as the effects of remote biases may override them.

The United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's Fifth Assessment Report updates the knowledge and understanding of the scientific, technical and socio-economic aspects of climate change. The report relies heavily on the products of climate models. These, however, have serious systematic errors that challenge the reliability of climate predictions. Hence, climate model bias identification and reduction are topics of great importance. One major reason for such biases is the misrepresentations of physical processes, which can be amplified by feedbacks among climate components especially in the tropics. Much effort, therefore, is dedicated to the better representation of physical processes in coordination with intense process studies<sup>5</sup>. This paper focuses on the SST simulations by 22 participants in the Coupled Model Intercomparison Project phase 5 (CMIP5; Supplementary Information). We target the global connections among regional SST biases. The existence of such connections means that efforts to improve model performance cannot be narrowly focused on particular regions.

SSTs simulated by CMIP5 models generally show too low values in the Northern Hemisphere and too high values in the Southern

Hemisphere. Annual-mean SST error (that is, mean SST bias for the period from 1900 to 2005) magnitudes can be several degrees Celsius (Fig. 1a). SSTs are clearly too high in the tropical southeastern Pacific and Atlantic and too low in the equatorial and tropical southwestern Pacific. In general, these biases have patterns that are largely independent of season, but amplitudes can vary with season (Supplementary Fig. 1). For example, the warm SST bias in the Southern Ocean is present throughout the year but is much stronger during the austral summer and autumn. It is noted that the SST biases in these models are quite stable during the 1900–2005 period and the models do not show a significant SST bias trend.

The misrepresentation of local processes and/or ocean-atmosphere interactions has caused some of the biases. The too warm SSTs in the tropical southeastern Pacific and Atlantic, for example, have been linked to excessive heat flux into the ocean under insufficient coverage by stratocumulus clouds<sup>6,7</sup> combined with insufficient cooling by ocean transients from the upwelling regions along the eastern coasts<sup>8</sup>. The cold SST bias in the equatorial and tropical southwestern Pacific has been associated with an excessive westward extension of the cold tongue from the eastern equatorial Pacific in association with difficulties in the representation of surface winds and ocean mixing processes<sup>9,10</sup>. A recent study has argued that model biases even far away from the tropics can be linked to those in the tropics<sup>10</sup>. According to the study, cloud errors over the Southern Ocean may be responsible for the generation of a spurious intertropical convergence zone south of the Equator in most CMIP5 models.

We start by investigating the relationships in the global domain between biases in simulated SST and in other features of atmosphere and ocean circulations. For this we take the mean AMOC as reference. The AMOC, which is characterized by warmer and saltier water flowing northward in the upper Atlantic Ocean and by cooler and fresher water flowing southward in the deep ocean<sup>11,12</sup>, is crucial to the northward heat transport by the ocean circulation<sup>13–16</sup>. As the first step in our analysis, we perform an inter-model singular value decomposition (SVD) analysis of the SST biases and AMOC streamfunction. The spatial pattern of the first SVD mode of the SST biases in Fig. 1b closely resembles the mean model biases in Fig. 1a. The corresponding AMOC mode is weakened, as indicated by the negative values of the AMOC streamfunction in the upper 3,000 m (Fig. 1c). The time series of the first SVD coefficients are highly and positively correlated (correlation coefficient 0.70). Global SST biases, therefore, strengthen as the AMOC circulation weakens.

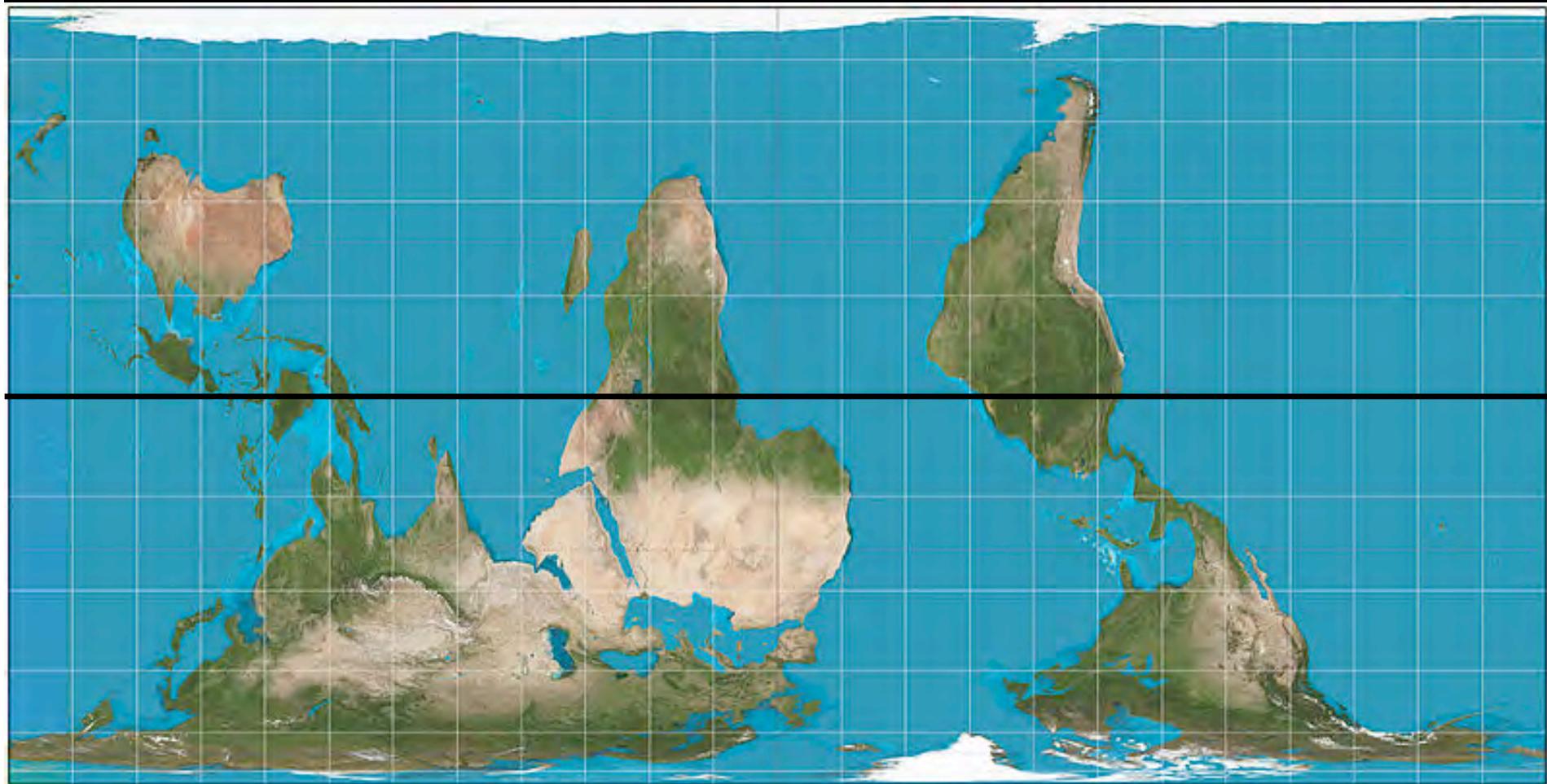
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Brett Whiteley,  
*Waves on the Harbour*  
screenprint, 1974



Brett Whiteley, *Wategoes Beach II*, watercolor  
gouache, collage on white wove paper, 1989



Gerry Wedd, *Small wave*, ceramic, 2009

## STUDY AREA AND FIELD DATA

### Chabahar Port:

- Located at 25.29°N and 60.63°E
- Designed as a free trade and industrial zone
- The closest Iranian port to the Indian Ocean
- The important transit route in the northern part of the Indian Ocean and Central Asia

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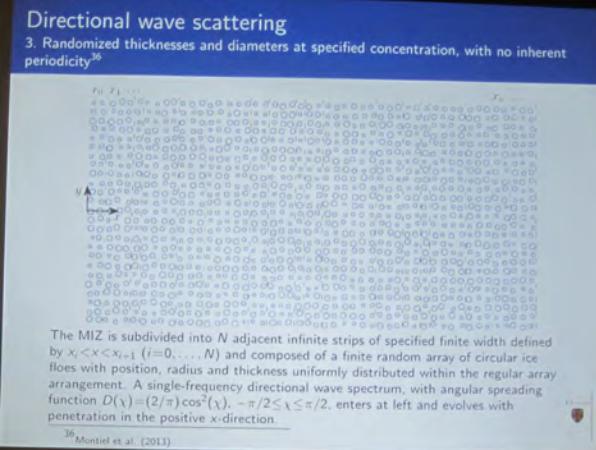
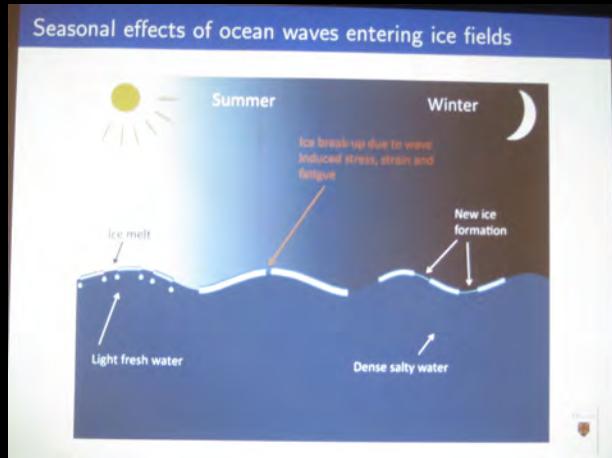
- Datawell Directional Waverider buoy
- Located at 25.267°N and 60.65°E
- Depth of water at the station: 17m



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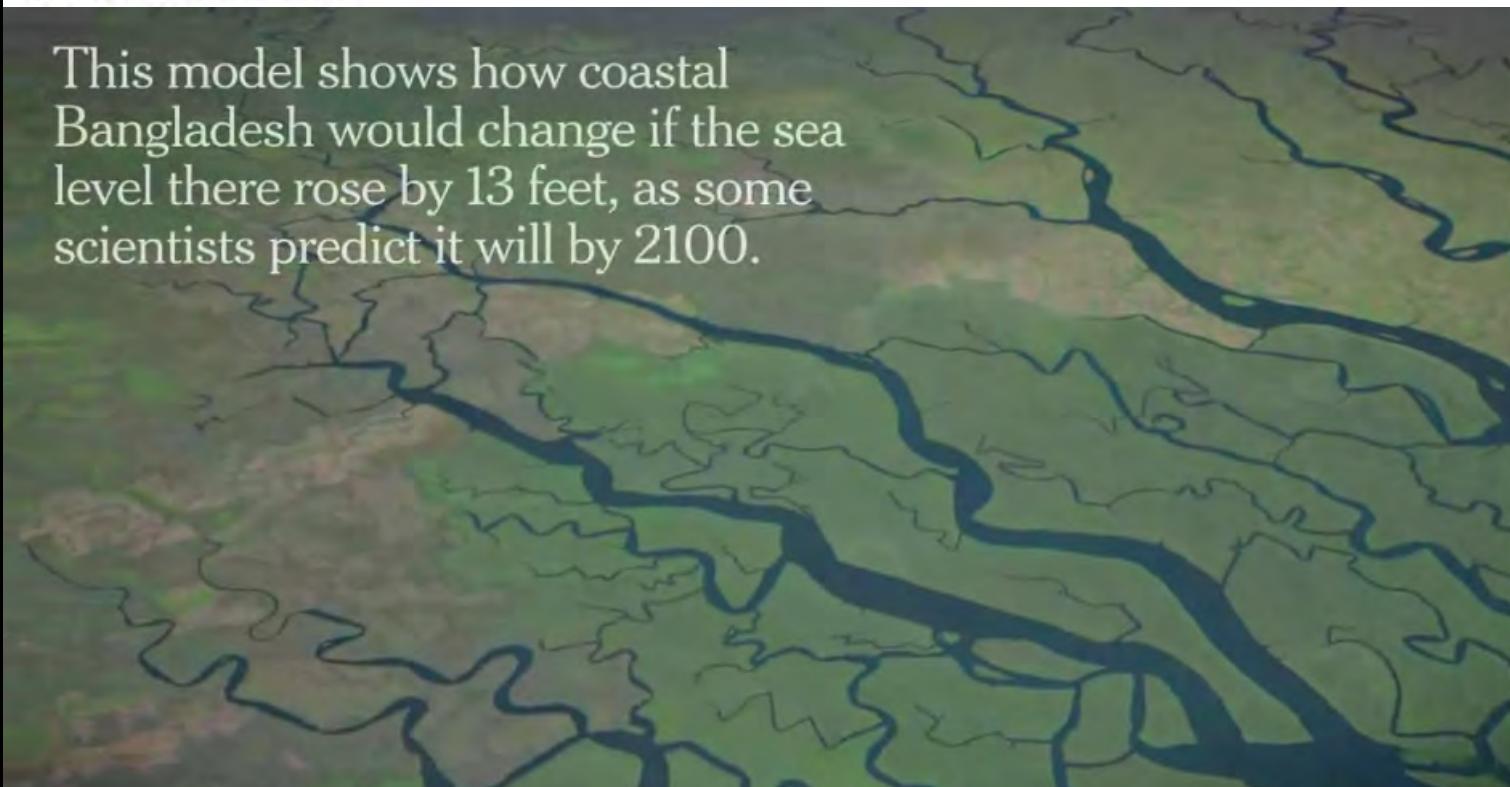
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## Borrowed Time on Disappearing Land

Facing Rising Seas, Bangladesh Confronts the Consequences of Climate Change

By GARDINER HARRIS MARCH 28, 2014

This model shows how coastal Bangladesh would change if the sea level there rose by 13 feet, as some scientists predict it will by 2100.



## Djarrwark ga Dhalwaŋu

Artist: Gawirriŋ Gumana

Place: Baraltja

Painting title: Djarrwark ga Dhalwaŋu

Size: 153 x 83 cm

Moiety: Yirritja

Clan: Dhalwaŋu

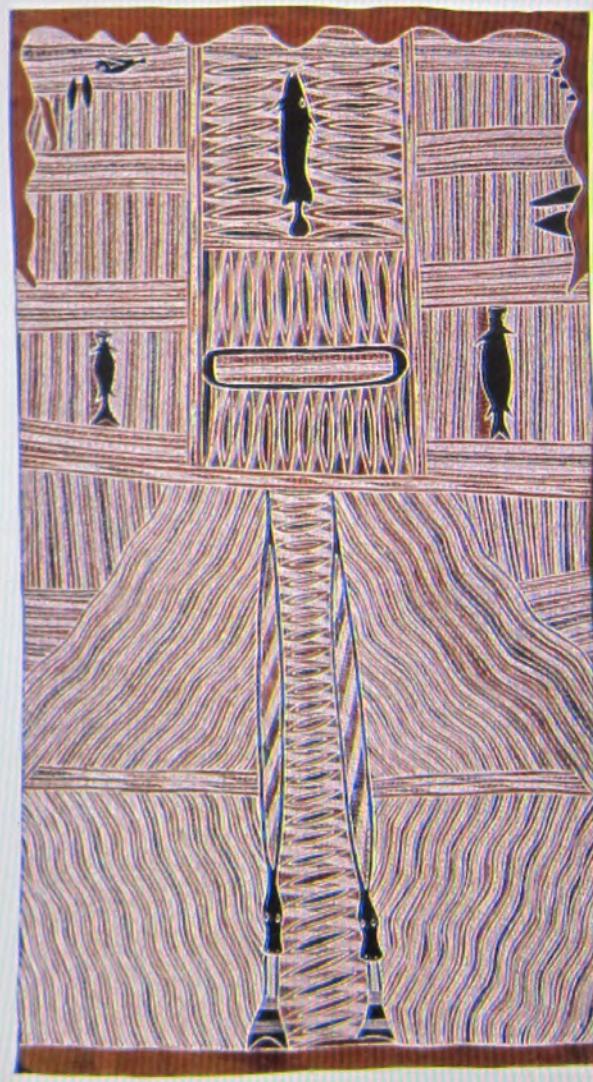
Gawirriŋ's painting maps the Yolŋu sea country of his clan and related clans. Use the buttons to highlight areas of sea country according to the moiety of the clans.

Dhuwa waters

Yirritja waters

show hot spots

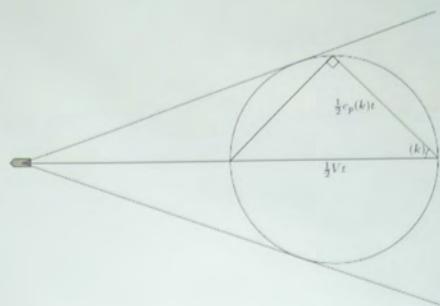
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## Kelvin ship waves

### Linear case

- Dispersion relation gives  $c_p = 2c_g = \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}}$

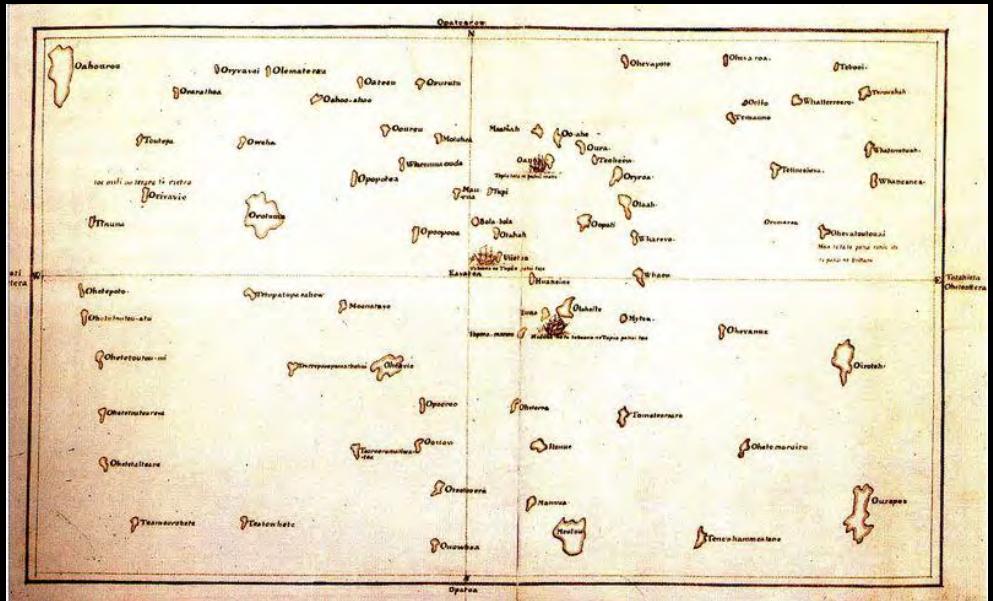


- Kelvin Angle =  $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{8}}\right) \approx 19.47^\circ$  (independent of speed)

J. Billingham and A. C. King. Wave motion Cambridge university press, 2000

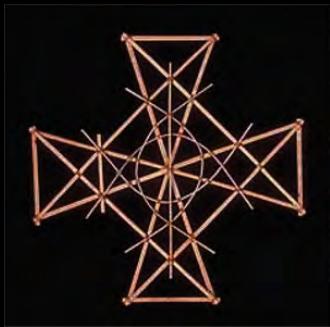


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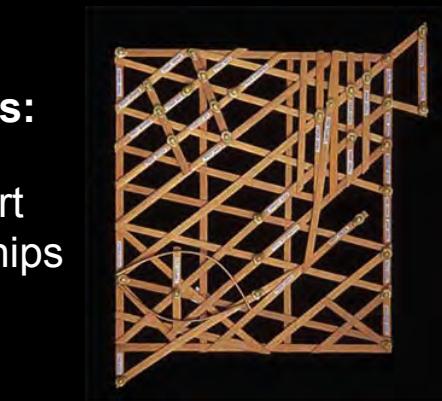
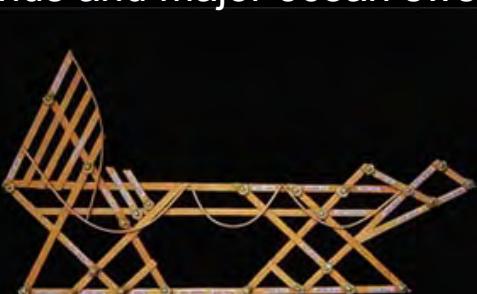
Polynesian navigator Tupaia's map of the Pacific, rendered on board Captain James Cook's *Endeavour*, 1769. This map uses current and winds to mark distance.

### Micronesian wave navigation charts from Marshall Islands:



REBBELIB: “general wave navigational chart mapping an entire chain, showing relationships between islands and major ocean swells.”

MATTANG: “shows wave patterns around single island”



MEDO: “covers a few Islands; useful for specific voyages.”

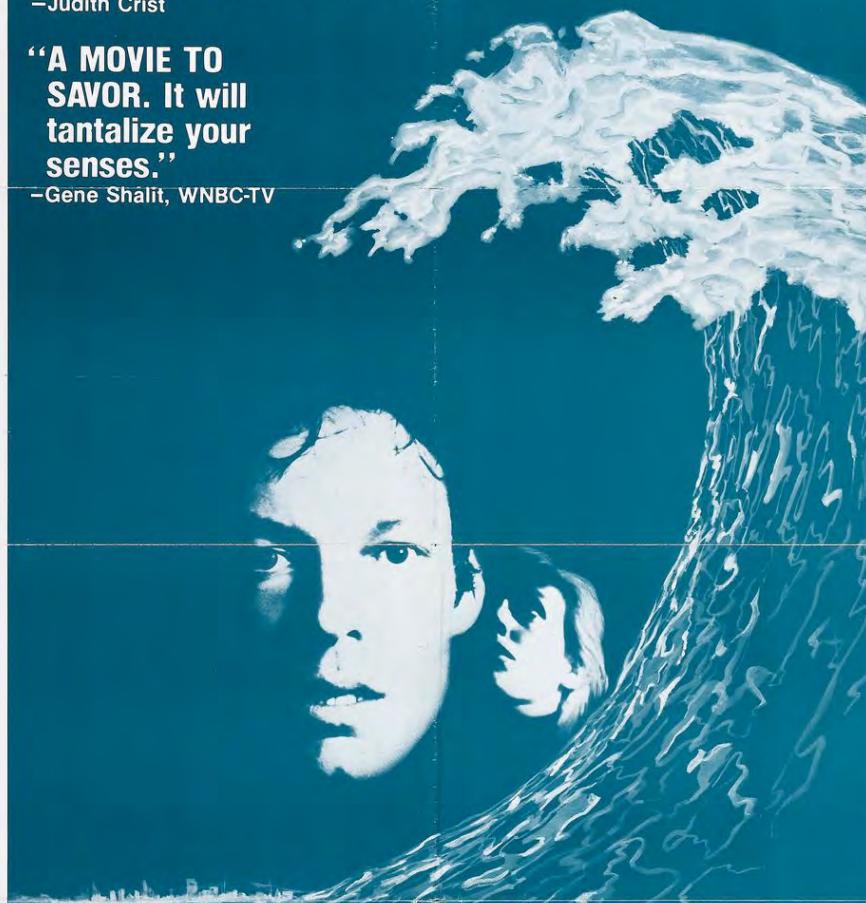
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—Judith Crist

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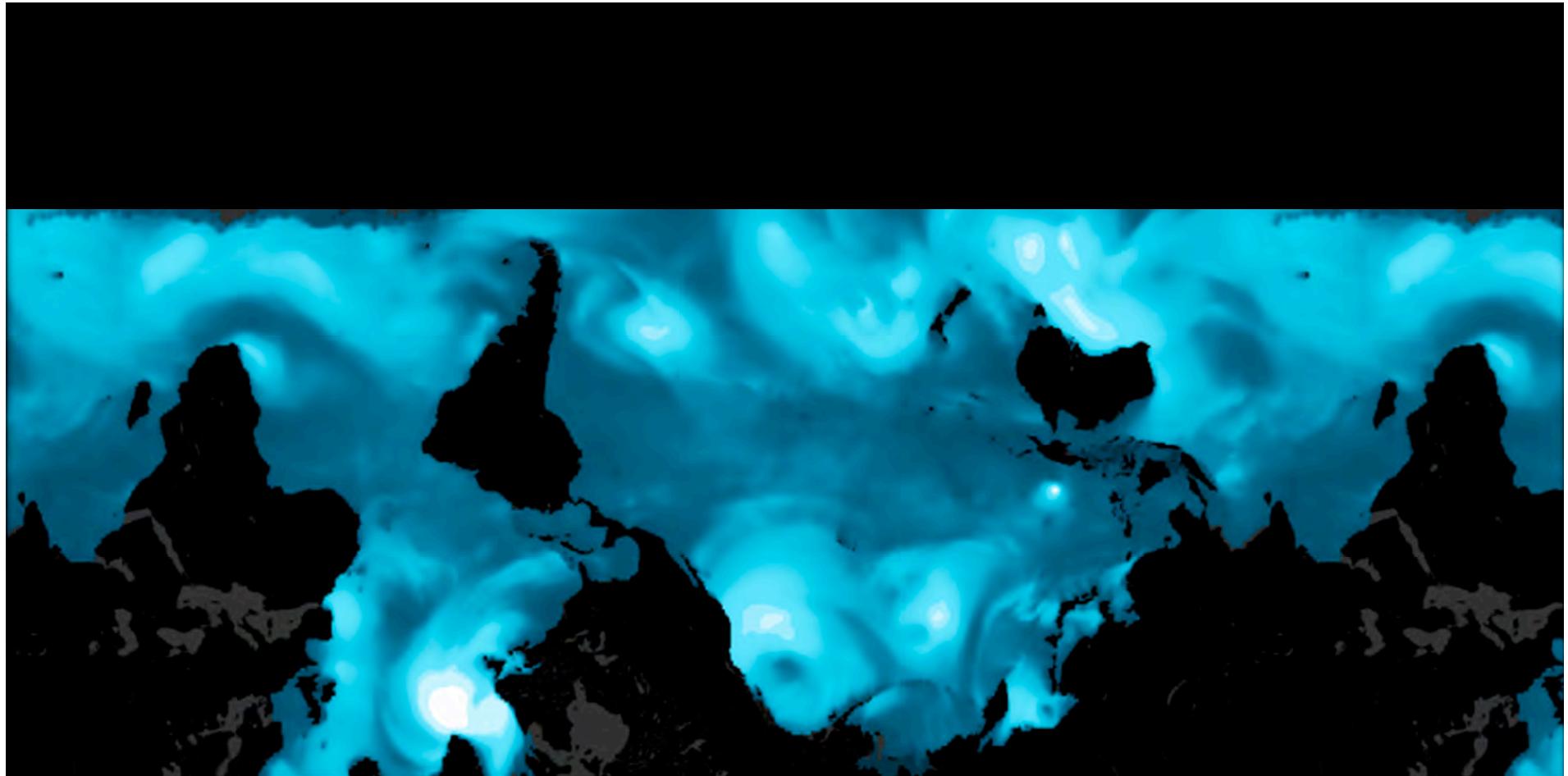
—Gene Shalit, WNBC-TV



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