

A background image of a mangrove landscape. In the foreground, there are mangrove trees with their characteristic prop roots extending into the water. The water is calm and reflects the sky and trees. In the background, there are more mangrove trees and a clear blue sky with some light clouds. The overall scene is peaceful and natural.

# OCN 390: Field Methods

Week 3

CO<sub>2</sub> Sensing



# Outline

- Names
- Masks: nose + mouth, including (especially!) when speaking
- Nature journals—any feedback from you?
- Nature journal review
- Data competition
- CO<sub>2</sub> sensing: why bother?
- Overview of hardware
- Team formation
- Assignment description





# Nature journals

Any feedback? Anyone get ice cream?



# Weekly Assignment

- Deadline: Fridays @ 11:59 pm
- **What: photo of your journal page uploaded to that week's discussion thread.**
- Grading: any honest effort gets full credit. I'm definitely not judging artistic capabilities but you will lose credit if you clearly didn't try.
- Rotate images!
- You can take one week off without losing points if you want/drop lowest grade.
- If you upload anything inappropriate, you'll be referred to Dean's Office. Please just don't do this!

This is a graded discussion: 2 points possible

due Jan 29





Week 2 Journal (1st Entry)

Philip J. Bresnahan

Upload photos of your journal entries here! Please rotate images prior to uploading so that we're looking at the same orientation you used when writing/drawing. Feel free to add other notes to your post as well but the only required thing is a photo/scan of your journal. And please comment (politely, duh) on other people's posts if you feel compelled!

Unread
















✓ Subscribe





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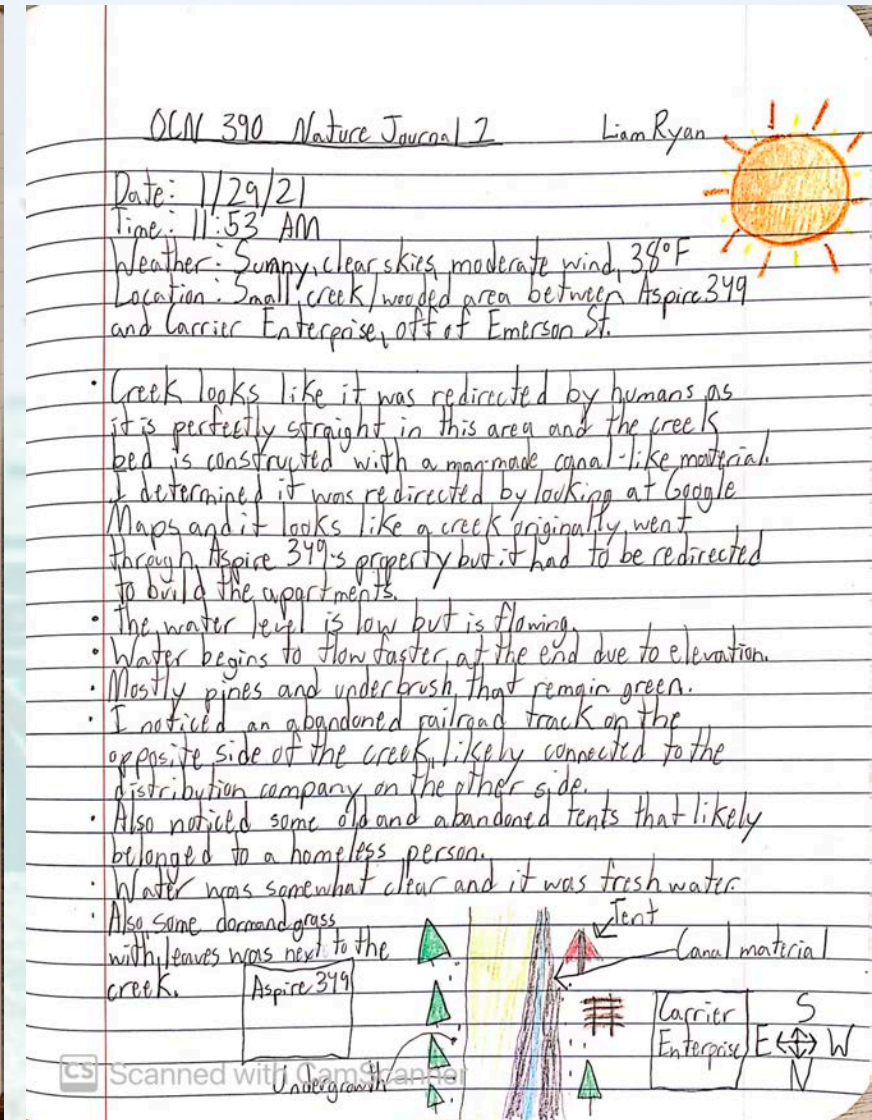
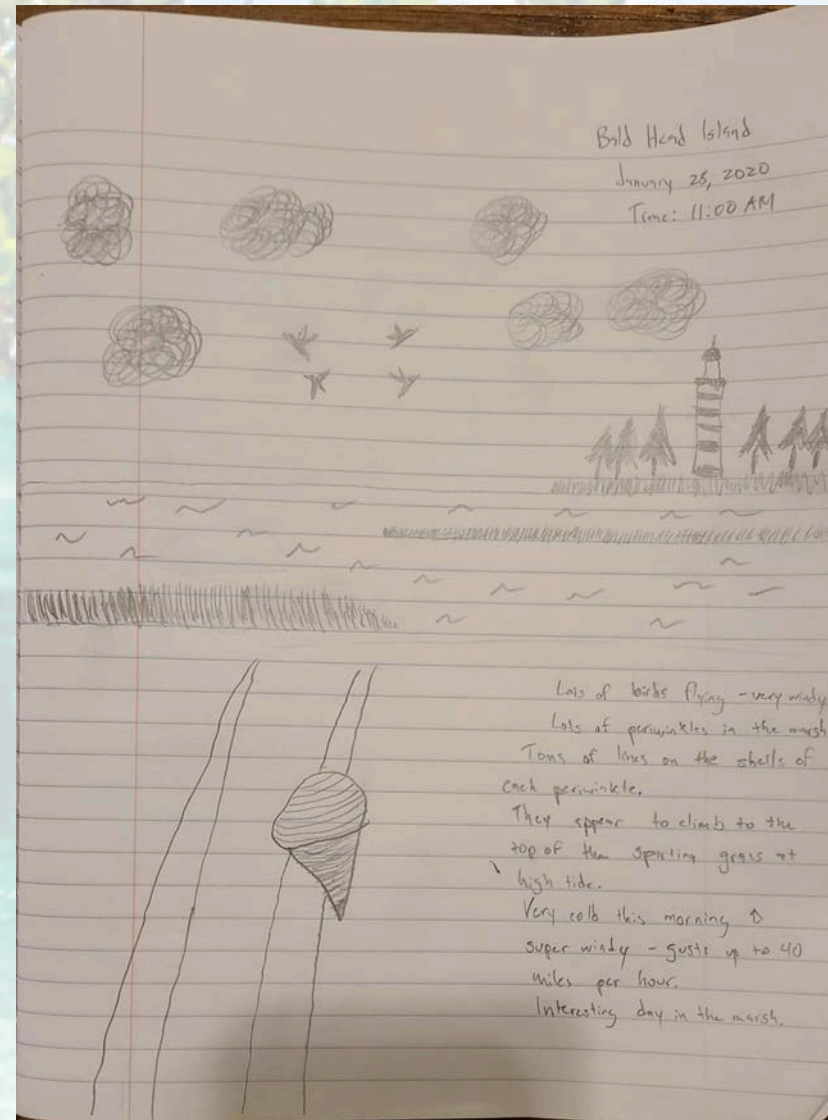
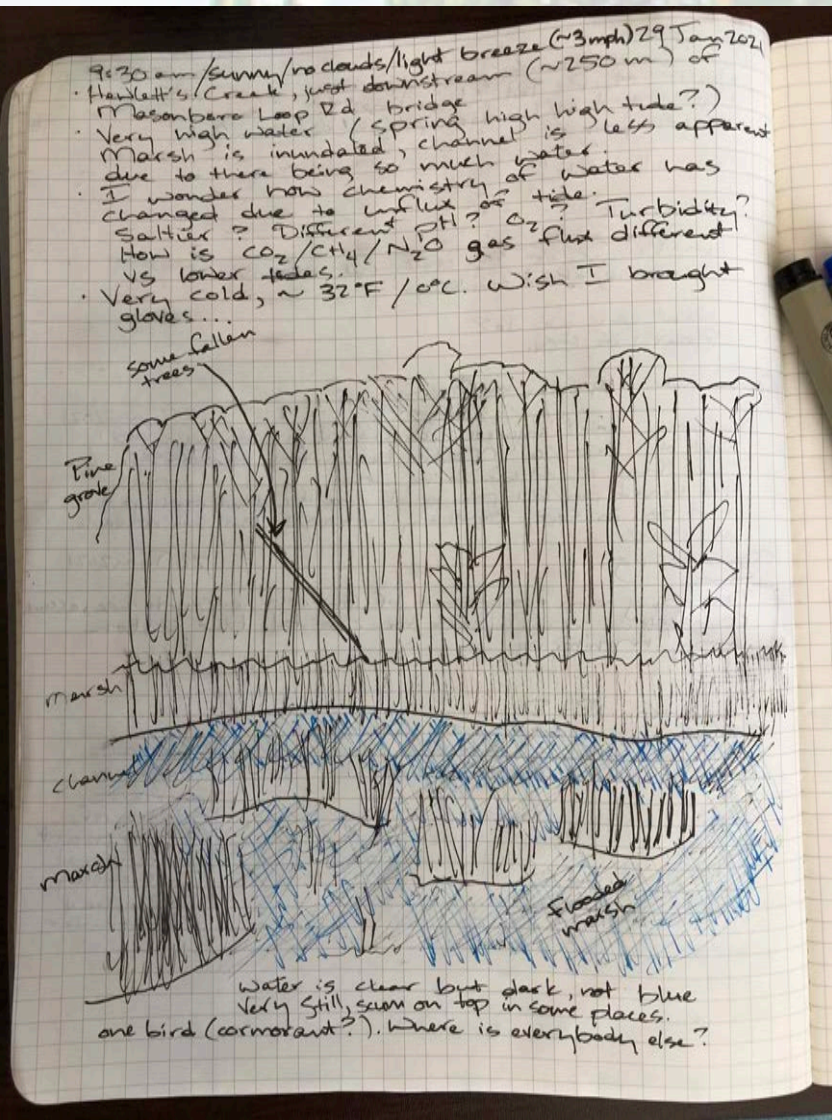
   

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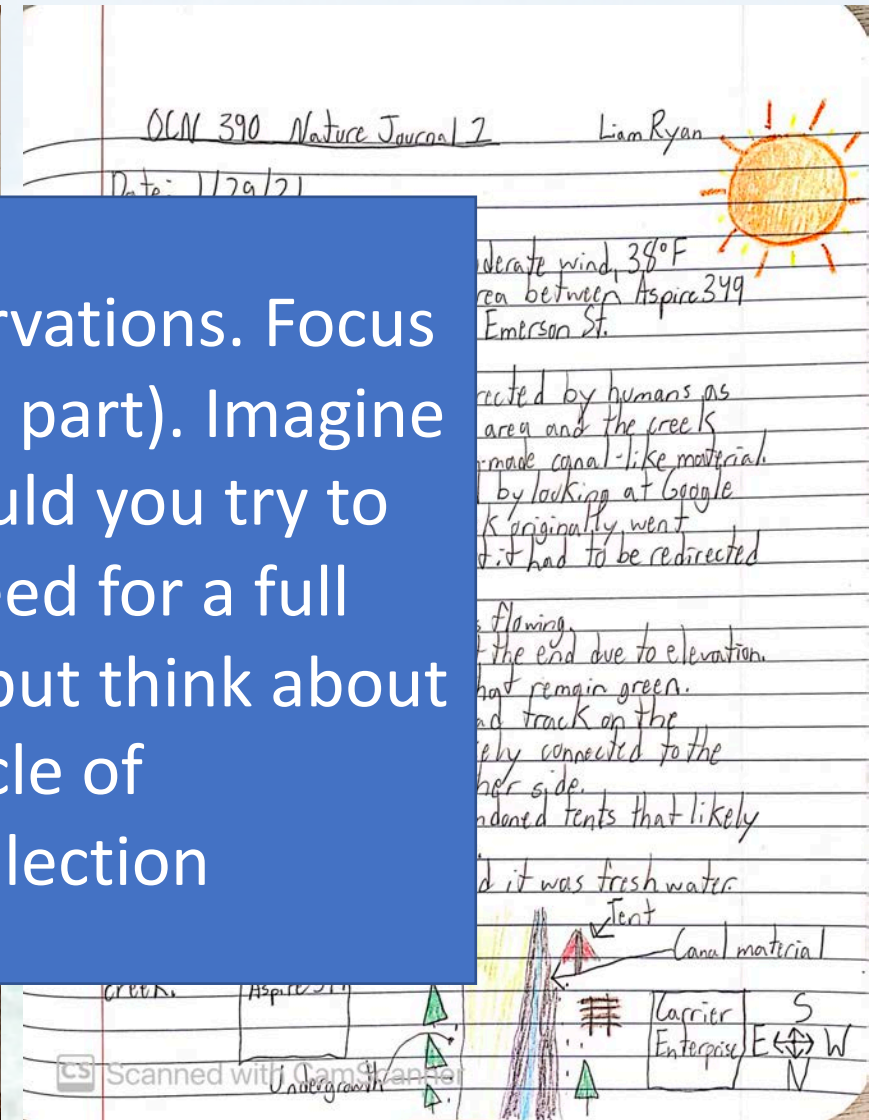
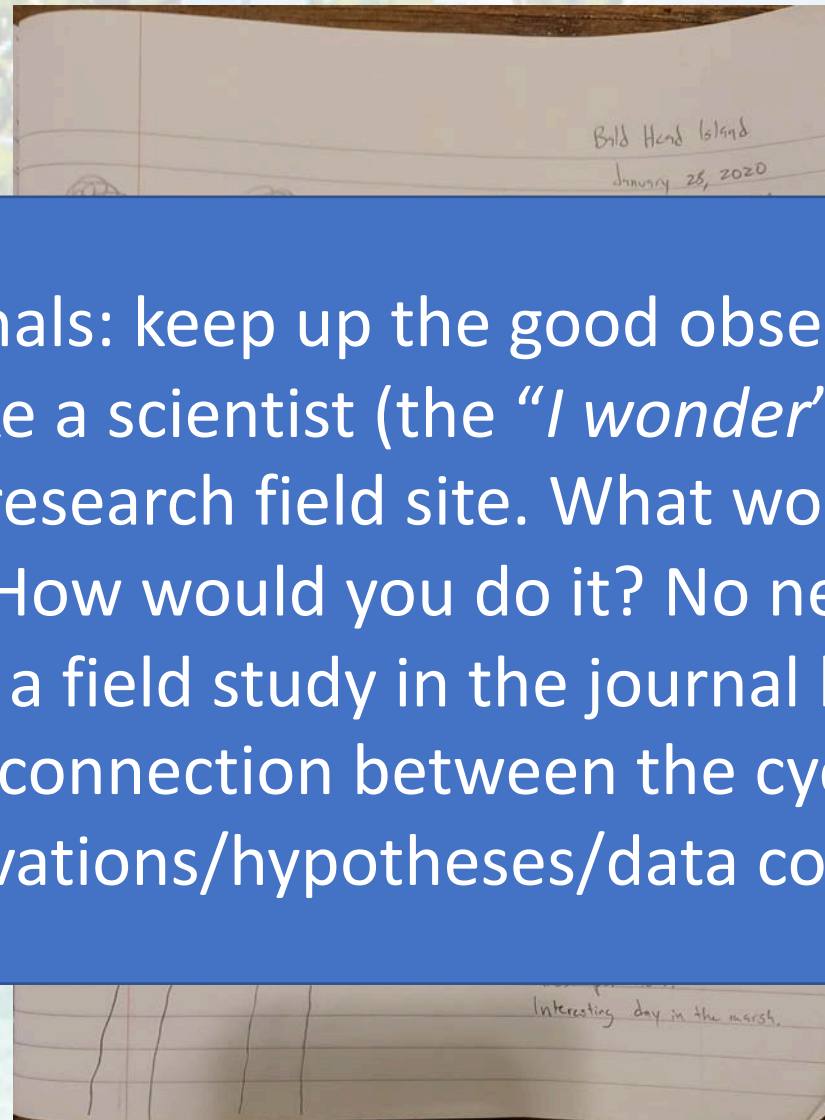
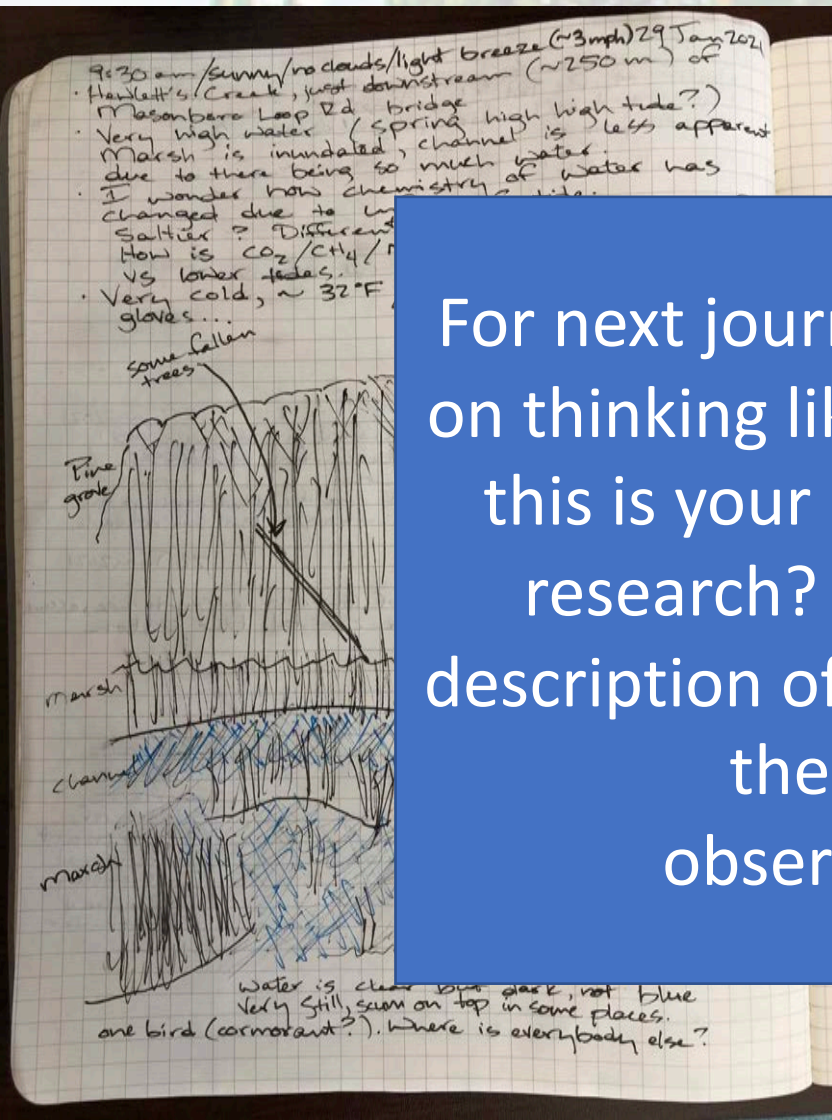
# Nature journal feedback





# Nature journal feedback

For next journals: keep up the good observations. Focus on thinking like a scientist (the "I wonder" part). Imagine this is your research field site. What would you try to research? How would you do it? No need for a full description of a field study in the journal but think about the connection between the cycle of observations/hypotheses/data collection





A photograph of a mangrove forest with dense green foliage and visible tree roots in the water, serving as the background for the text.

# Data Competition



# TWO STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

## \$9,000+ AVAILABLE IN PRIZES



### **Vembu Subramanian Ocean Scholars Award**

Apply today for the Vembu Subramanian Ocean Scholars award! Do not miss the opportunity to present your research at a conference.  
There are two \$1,250 prizes.



### **SECOORA 2021 Data Challenge: Using Buoy and Shore Station Data to Meet User Needs**

SECOORA is asking students and early career professionals to create tools that uses SECOORA buoy and/or shore station data.  
There are two \$3,500 prizes.

**MORE INFO: [WWW.SECOORA.ORG/FUNDING-OPPORTUNITIES/](http://WWW.SECOORA.ORG/FUNDING-OPPORTUNITIES/)**

Deadline to submit is March 12, 2021 for the two opportunities.



A photograph of a mangrove forest with clear turquoise water and green trees. A white bird is perched on a branch on the right. The image is used as a background for the text.

# CO<sub>2</sub> Sensing

Why bother?

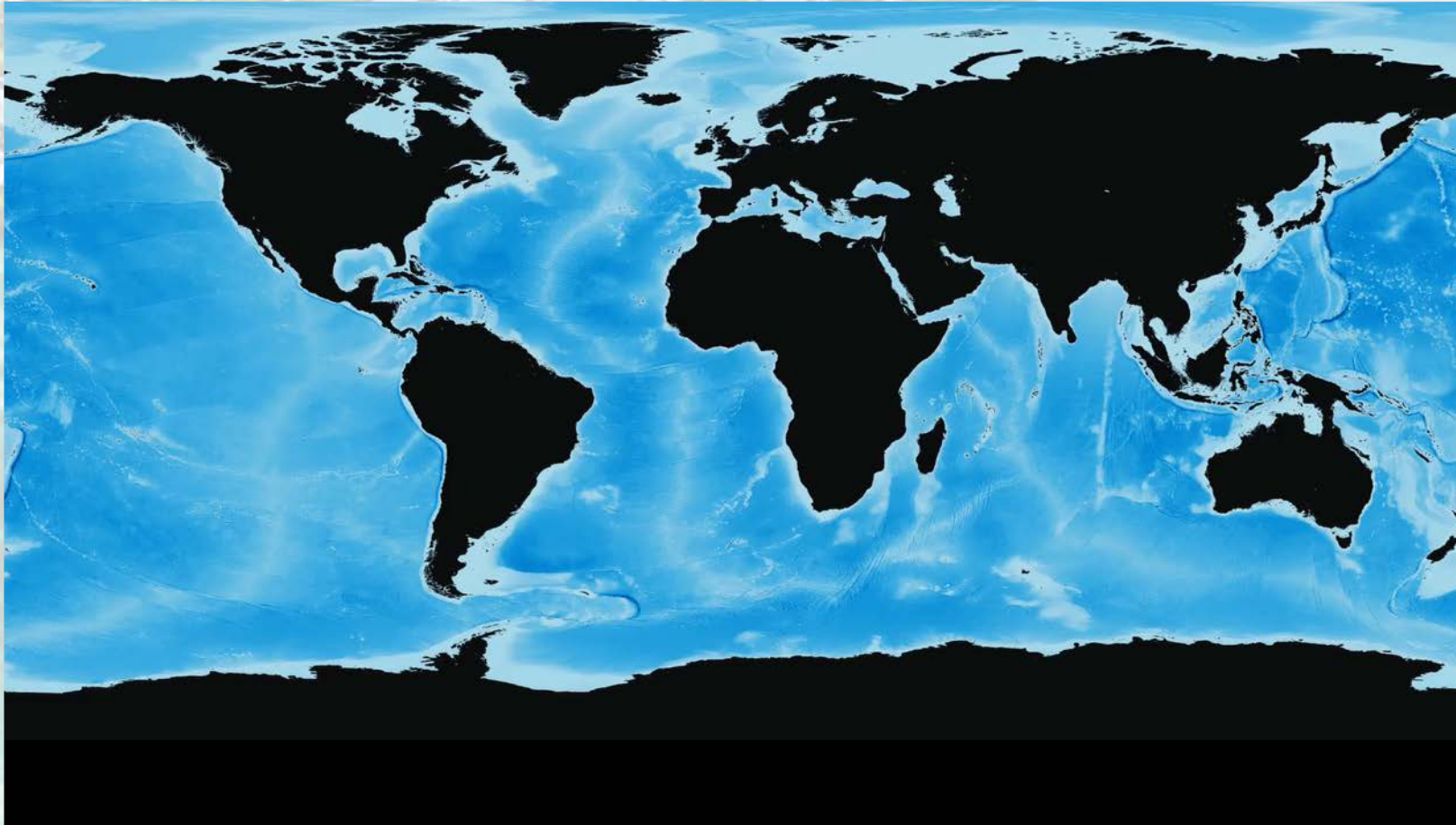


# A few reasons to measure CO<sub>2</sub>

- Respiration/photosynthesis of planet/ecosystem/individual
- Air quality for health
- Indoor air quality (circulation/ventilation)
- Atmospheric changes due to humanity
- Emissions monitoring: regional/site-specific
- Air-water flux: how much CO<sub>2</sub> is coming out of/going into water
- Hypercapnia: too much CO<sub>2</sub> in bloodstream
- Professor told you to



# Atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub>



[https://climate.nasa.gov/climate\\_resources/142/video-super-hd-view-of-global-carbon-dioxide/](https://climate.nasa.gov/climate_resources/142/video-super-hd-view-of-global-carbon-dioxide/)

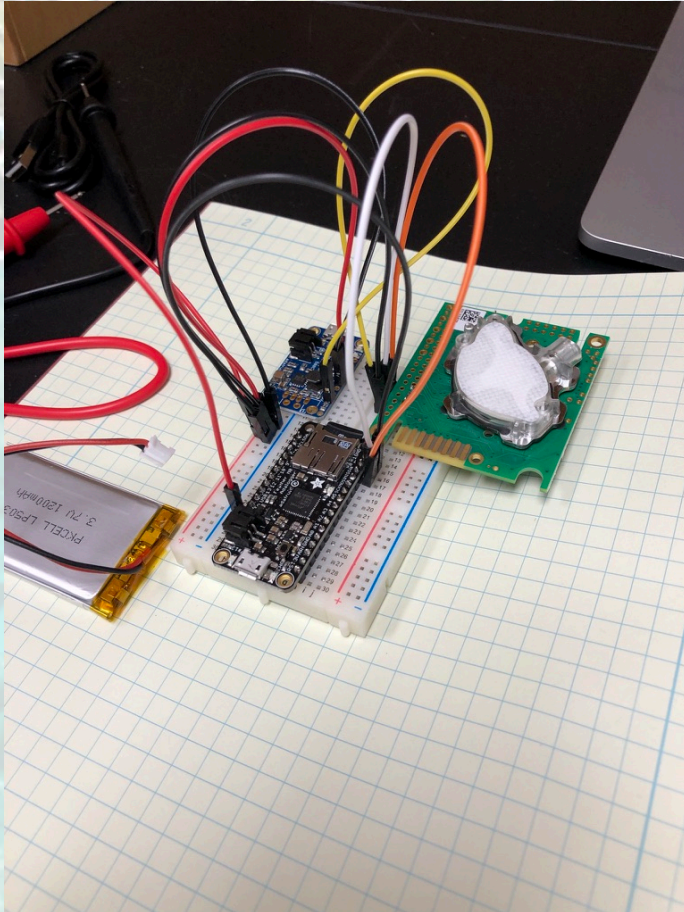




# **Team Formation**



# Main Project



- Build a functional CO2 sensor
- Design, execute, and describe (multiple formats) a field study



# Team Formation

- Team K-30 (<https://senseair.com/products/flexibility-counts/k30/>)
  - 1-Evan
  - 2-Stephen
  - 3-Devan
- Team PowerBoost (<https://learn.adafruit.com/adafruit-powerboost-500-plus-charger>)
  - 1-Nick
  - 2-Zac
  - 3-Summer
- Team Processor (<https://www.microchip.com/wwwproducts/en/ATsamd21g18>)
  - 1-Billy
  - 2-Anna
  - 3-Holland
- Team Adalogger (<https://learn.adafruit.com/adafruit-feather-m0-adalogger>)
  - 1-Liam
  - 2-Hannah
  - 3-Danielle
- Team Arduino software/firmware (<https://www.arduino.cc/en/software>)
  - 1-Michael
  - 2-Madison



# Assignment

- Each team will write a single,  $\geq 200$  words (~ 1 short paragraph per person) description of their part.
- Focus on: what it does, how it works, how it interacts with the other four things, why it's necessary
- Describe it as though you are describing it to someone in middle school who doesn't have electronics experience (e.g., don't use lots of fancy technical words, simplify and focus on functionality)
- Post to Canvas by 11:59 pm on Friday and come prepared to describe it in class next week (pick a presenter ahead of time; no slides/images for presentation, just a quick oral description)



# Rest of class period

- Work in your small groups:
  - Virtually (email/zoom/chat/whatever) or very far away from each other ( $> 6'$ )
  - I am not asking you to gather outside of this class time or in other places!
- Assign roles (especially who will submit, who will speak next week); these should rotate throughout semester