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Progress on Demonstrating SAR Monitoring of Chinese Seas

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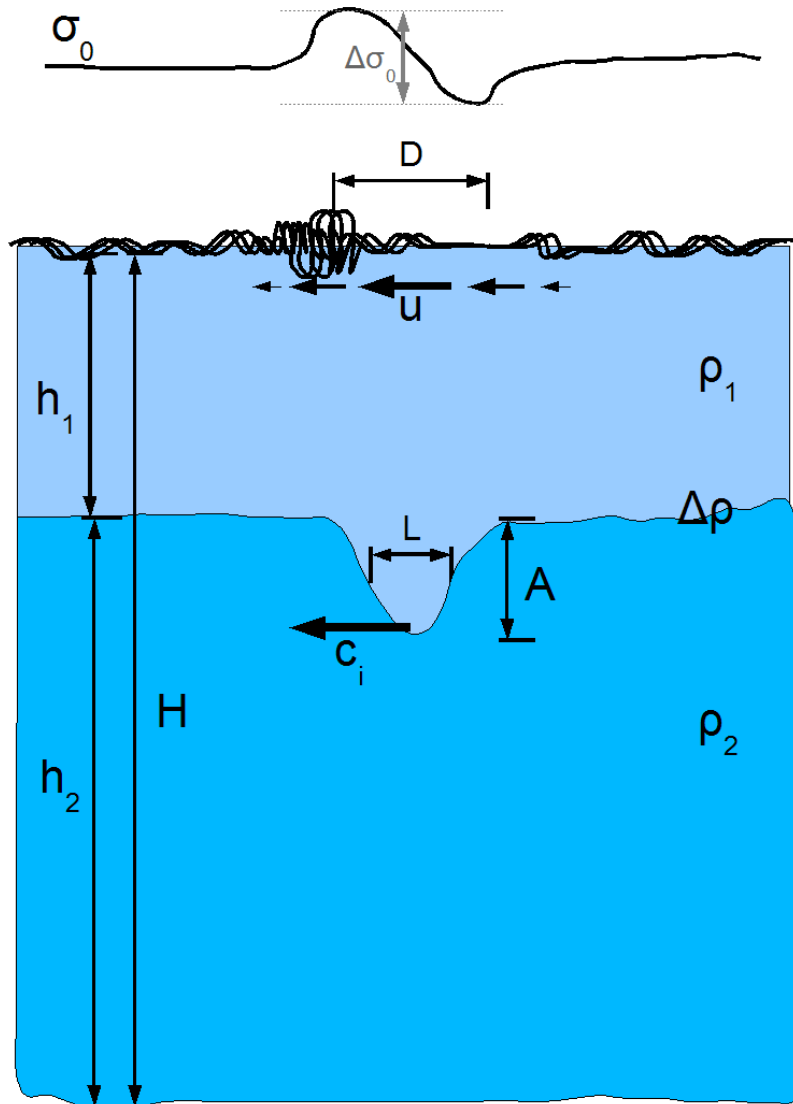
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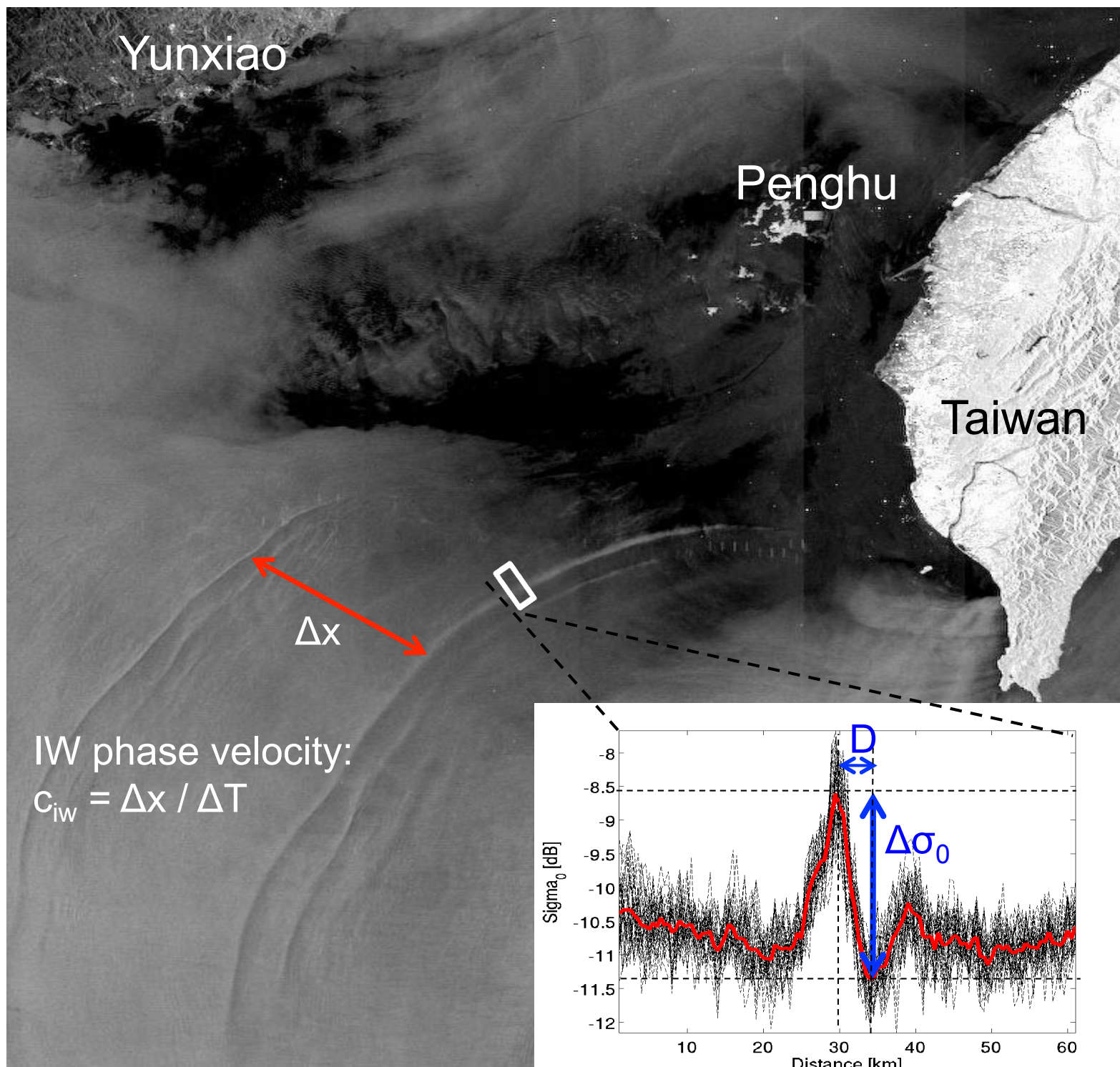
- Retrieval of internal wave induced surface current from SAR
- Surface current retrieval using ASAR Doppler Velocity



Internal waves



- L = "half width" of IW soliton
 - $D = 1.32L$
- c_i = phase speed
- u = induced surface current
- h_1 = pycnocline depth
- ρ = mean ocean density
- $\Delta\rho$ = 2 layer density difference
- A = IW amplitude



- IW-induced SAR roughness modulation $\Delta\sigma_0$ depends on (at least):
 - Wind speed
 - Wind direction
 - SAR look direction
 - Relative to wind direction
 - Relative to IW propagation direction
 - SAR incidence angle
 - IW phase velocity
 - IW characteristic width
 - IW induced surface current

To determine a simple relationship between $\Delta\sigma_0$,
and the surface current, we will use
dimensional analysis:

By constructing a set of **dimensionless
parameters** $\pi_1, \pi_2, \pi_3, \dots$ from the relevant
involved physical parameters, we can seek a
solution on the form:

$$F(\pi_1, \pi_2, \pi_3, \dots) = 0$$

(Buckingham- π theorem)

- Two characteristic length scales
 - IW wavelength (soliton width): L
 - Relaxation length of modulated surface waves: λ
 - Dimensionless parameter: $\pi_1 = \frac{L}{\lambda}$
- Two characteristic velocity scales
 - Induced surface current velocity: u_{\max}
 - Phase (propagation) speed of IW: c_{iw}
 - Dimensionless parameter: $\pi_2 = \frac{u_{\max}}{c_{iw}}$

An expression for the surface wave relaxation length

Relaxation length: $\lambda = c_g T$

Wind growth parameter:

Relaxation time: $T \equiv \frac{1}{\omega \beta} \longrightarrow \beta = c_\beta \left(\frac{u_*}{c} \right)^2$

- Bragg waves (~2-20 cm) are normally too short to be modulated directly by current gradients associated with internal waves.
- However, longer waves on meter scale feel current gradient, and generate shorter Bragg waves when they break.
- Hence ω and c_g is here frequency and group velocity of shortest breaking waves

Inserting: $\lambda = \frac{c^3}{2c_\beta u_*^2 \omega} = \frac{g}{2c_\beta u_*^2 k^2}$

Forming the dimensionless parameter: $\frac{\lambda}{L} = \frac{g}{2c_\beta u_*^2 k^2 L}$

$$\pi_1 \equiv \frac{1}{W^2 L}$$

- Removing constant parameters
- Using wind speed (W) as substitute for U^* which is not well known

- Assumption (Buckingham pi-theorem)

$$\Delta\sigma = \alpha(\pi_1)^{x_1} (\pi_2)^{x_2}$$

- Parameters α , x_1 and x_2 to be determined by experiment (or simulation)

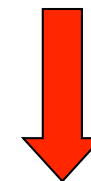
Radar Imaging Model

- Wind speed
- Atmospheric stability
- Ocean surface current
- Surface dampening films

Hydrodynamic
module



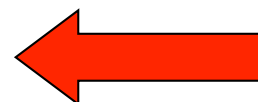
Description of
surface waves



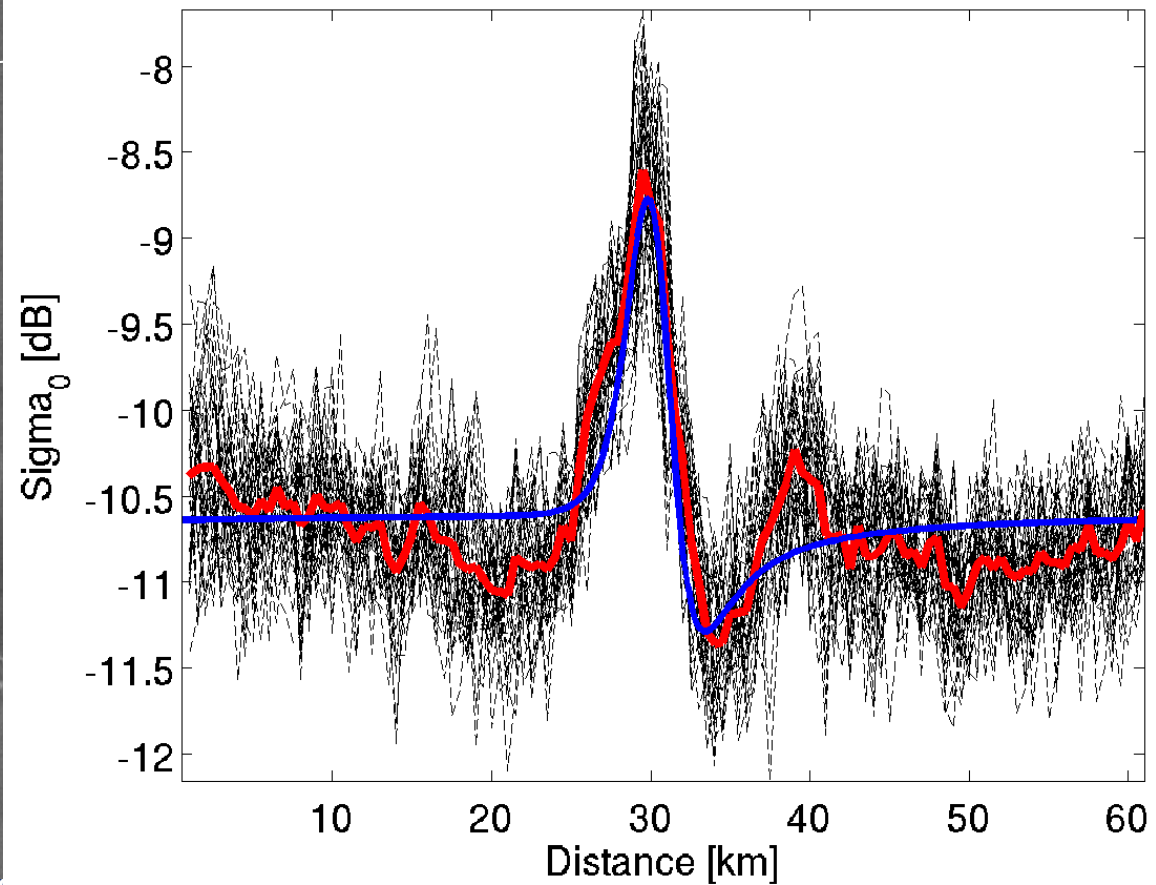
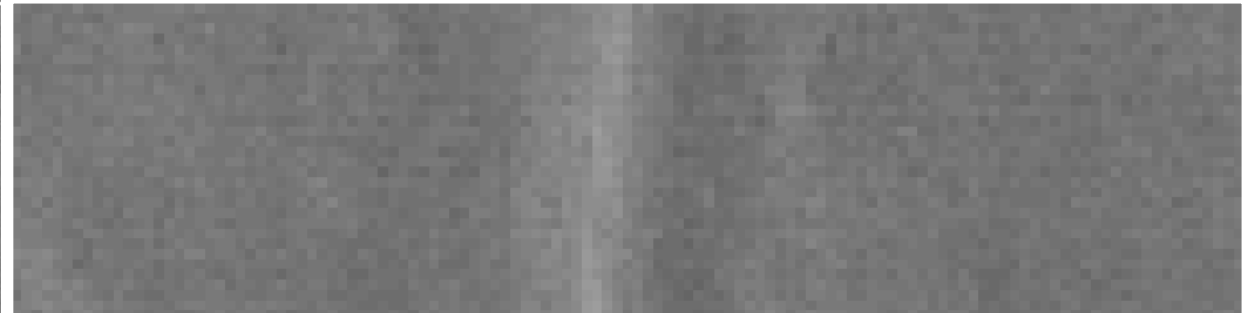
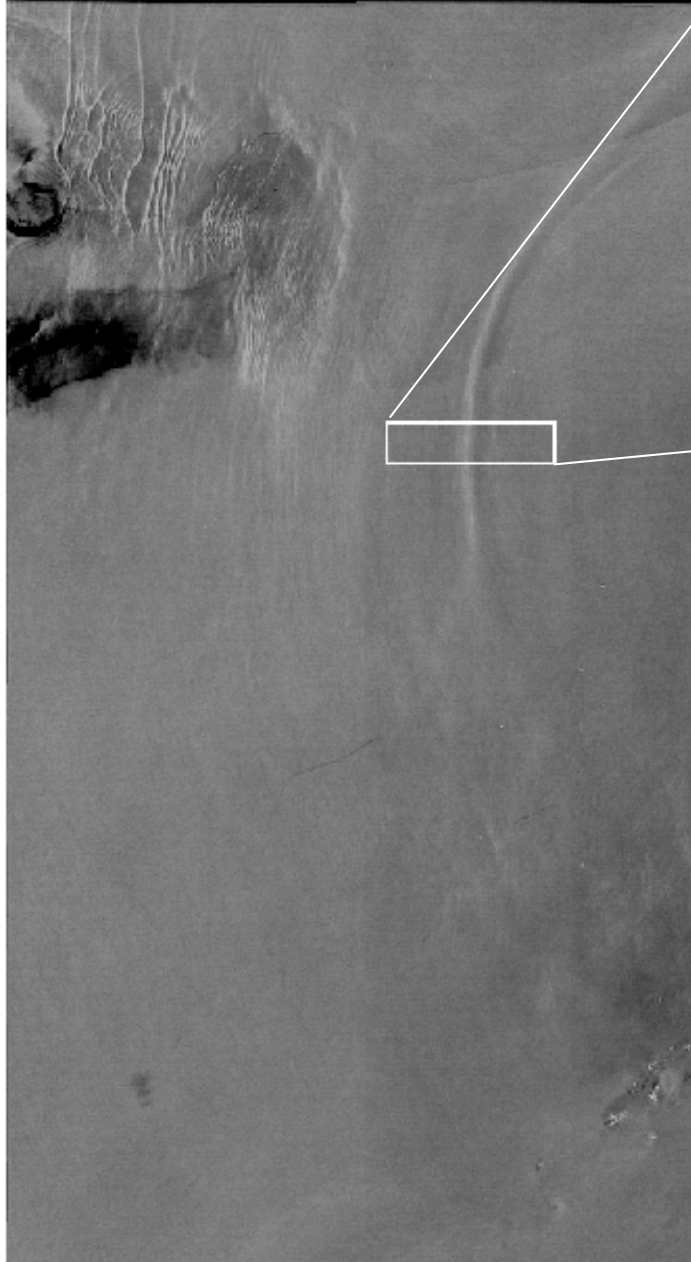
Radar parameters:

- Incidence angle
- wavelength
- polarization

Radar
module



Bragg scattering
Specular scattering
Breaking waves } σ_0



The linear relationship found agrees well with RIM-simulations

$$\Delta\sigma_0 = \alpha \frac{U_{\max}}{W^2 L C_i}$$

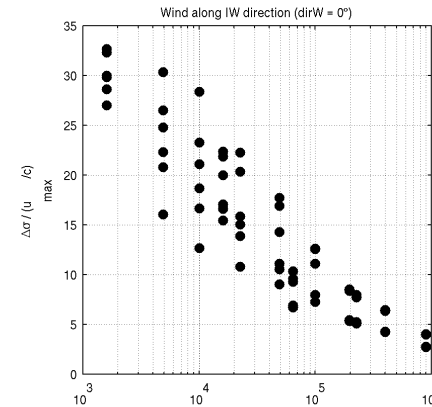
$$\Delta\sigma / (U_{\max}/C)$$

W = wind speed

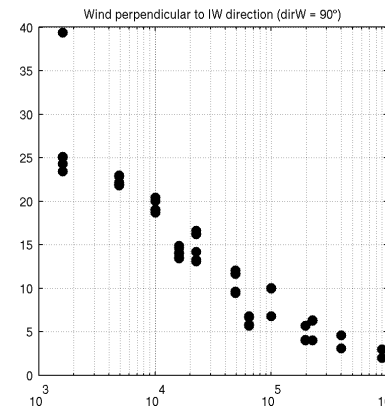
L = IW characteristic width

C = IW phase speed

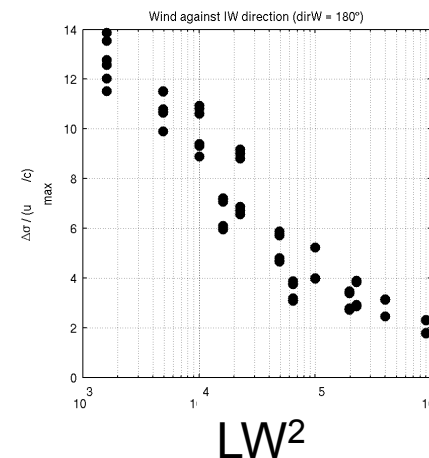
α = parameter which depends on wind direction



Wind along IW propagation direction



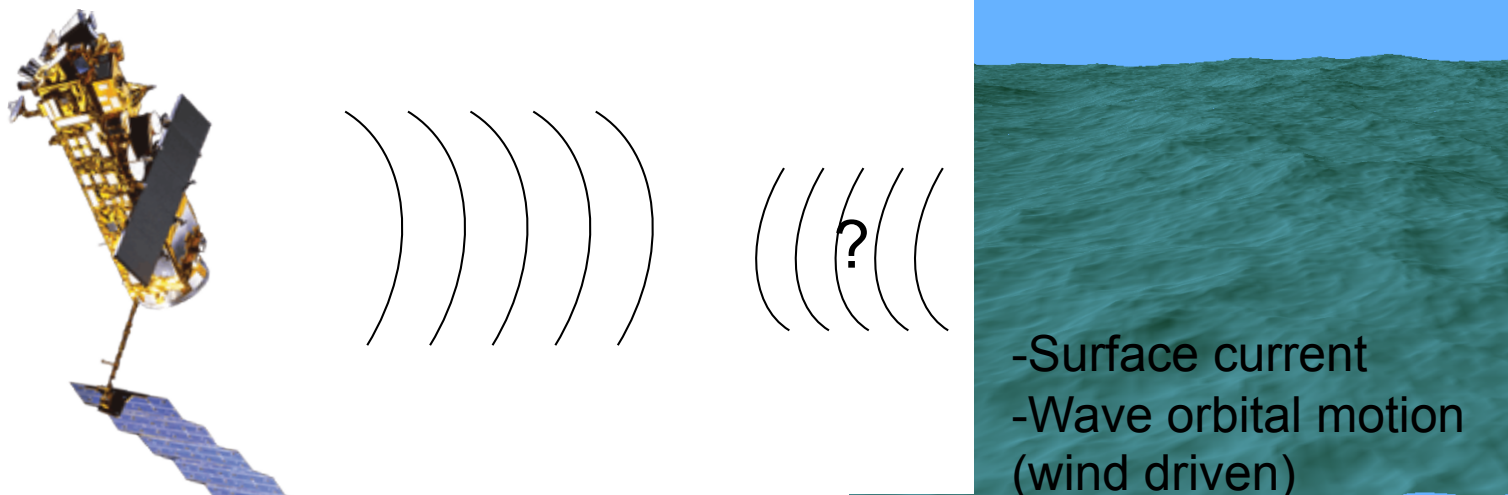
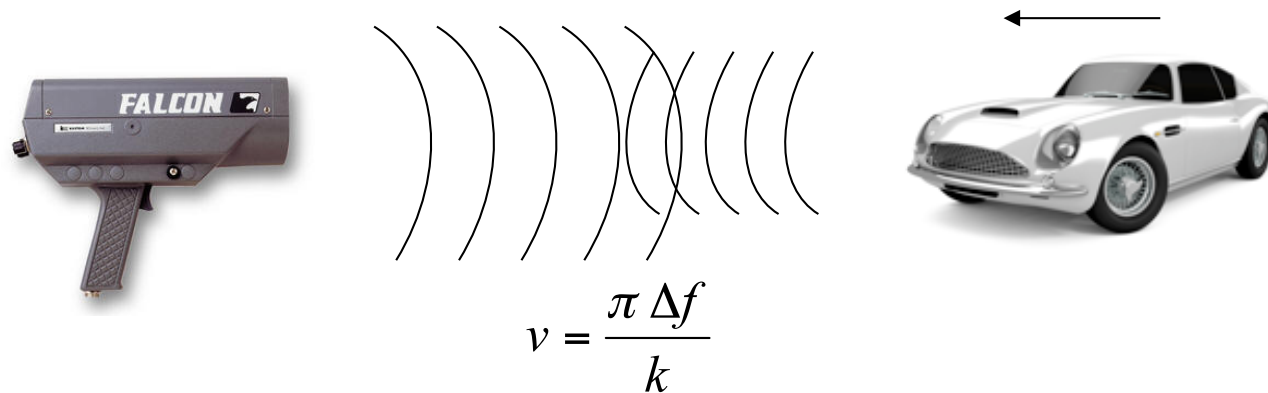
Wind perpendicular to IW propagation direction



Wind against IW propagation direction

Surface current retrieval using ASAR Doppler Velocity

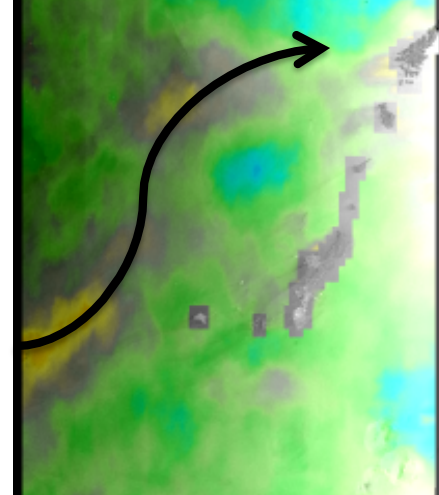
Doppler velocity measurement



Typhoon "Sinlaku"

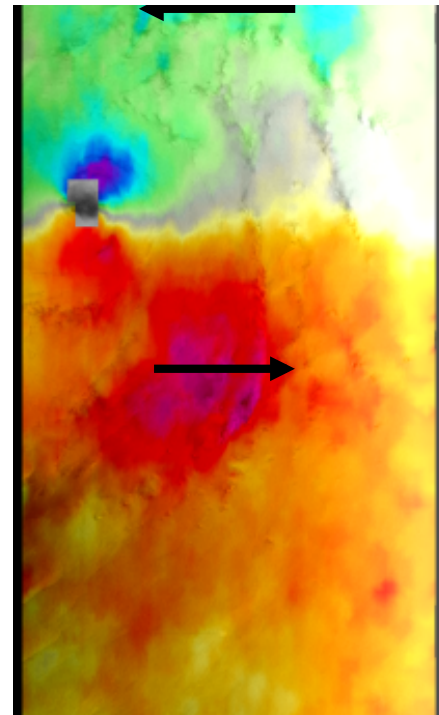
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Normalised Radar
Cross Section



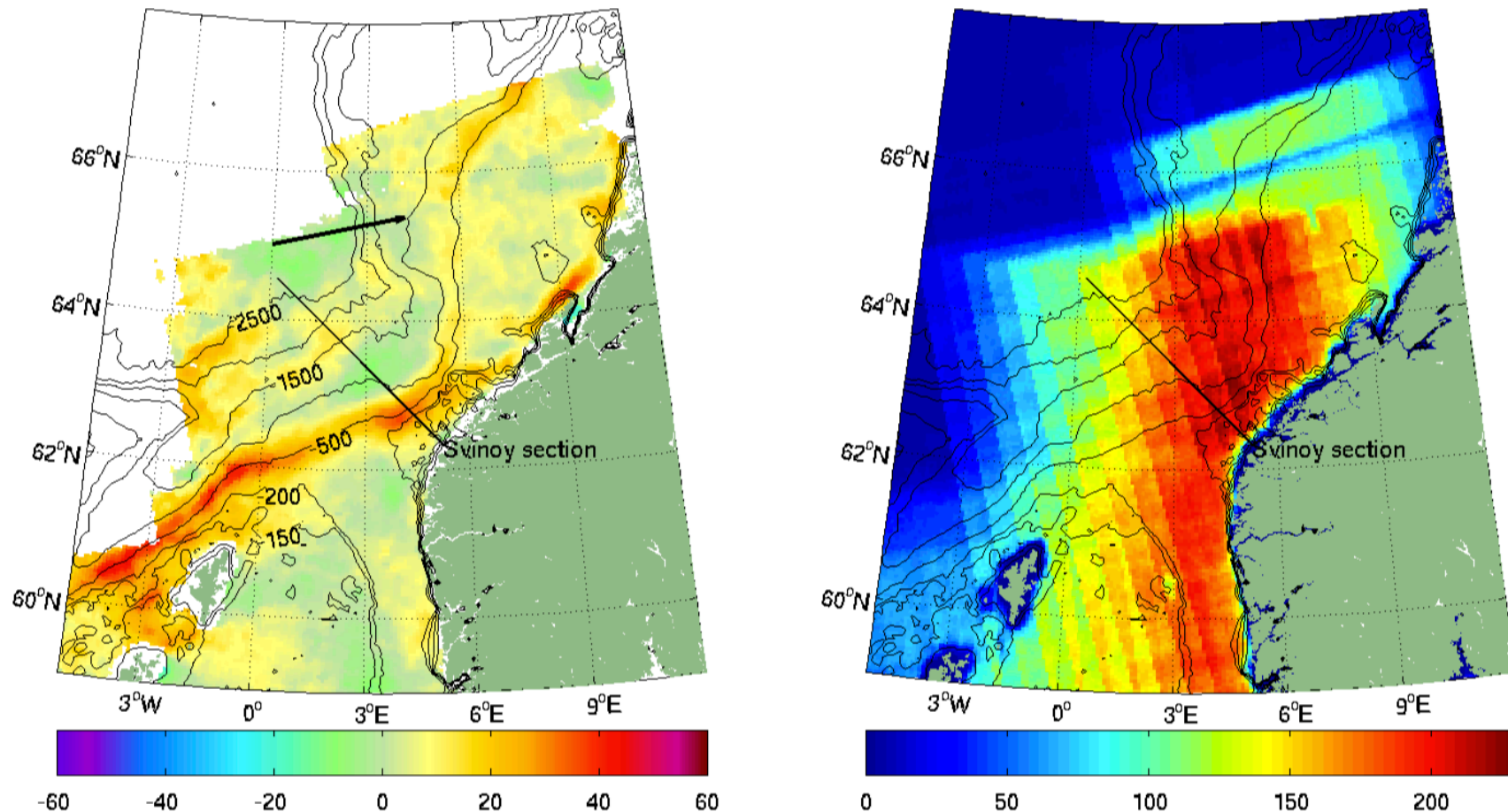
RMS \approx 20-40 cm/s

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Doppler shift

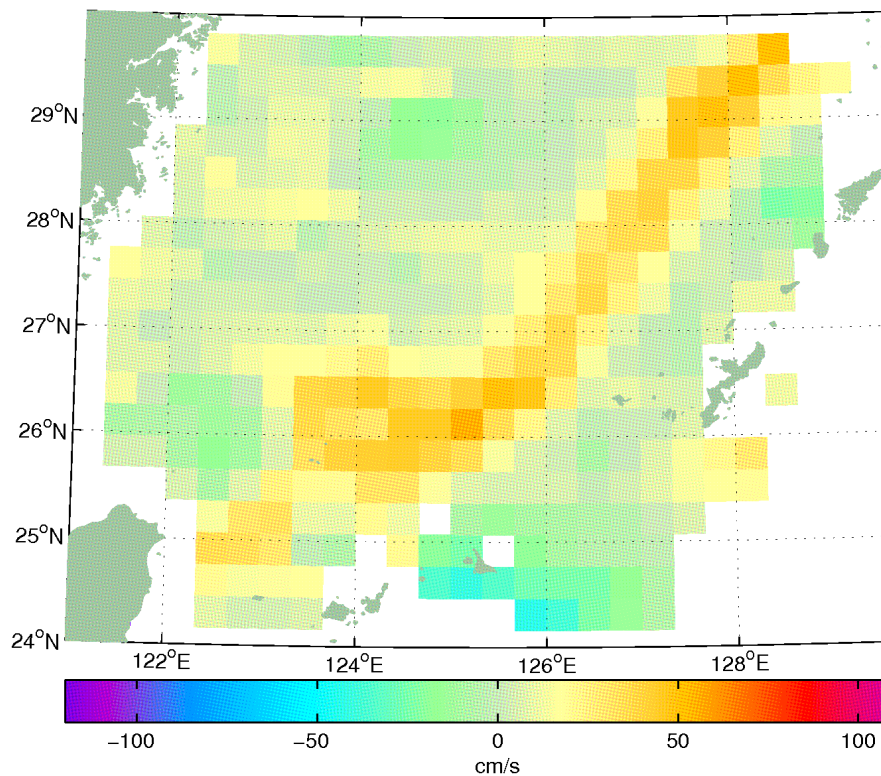
Time-averaged Doppler Velocity



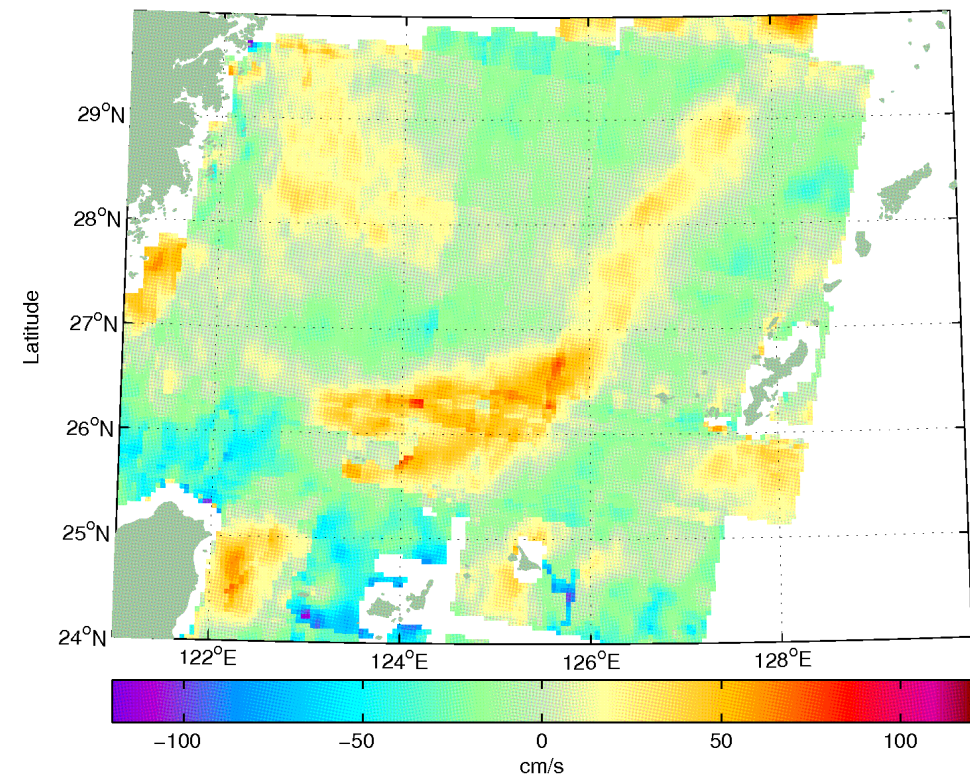
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Mean ASAR Doppler velocity of Kuroshio

Altimetry

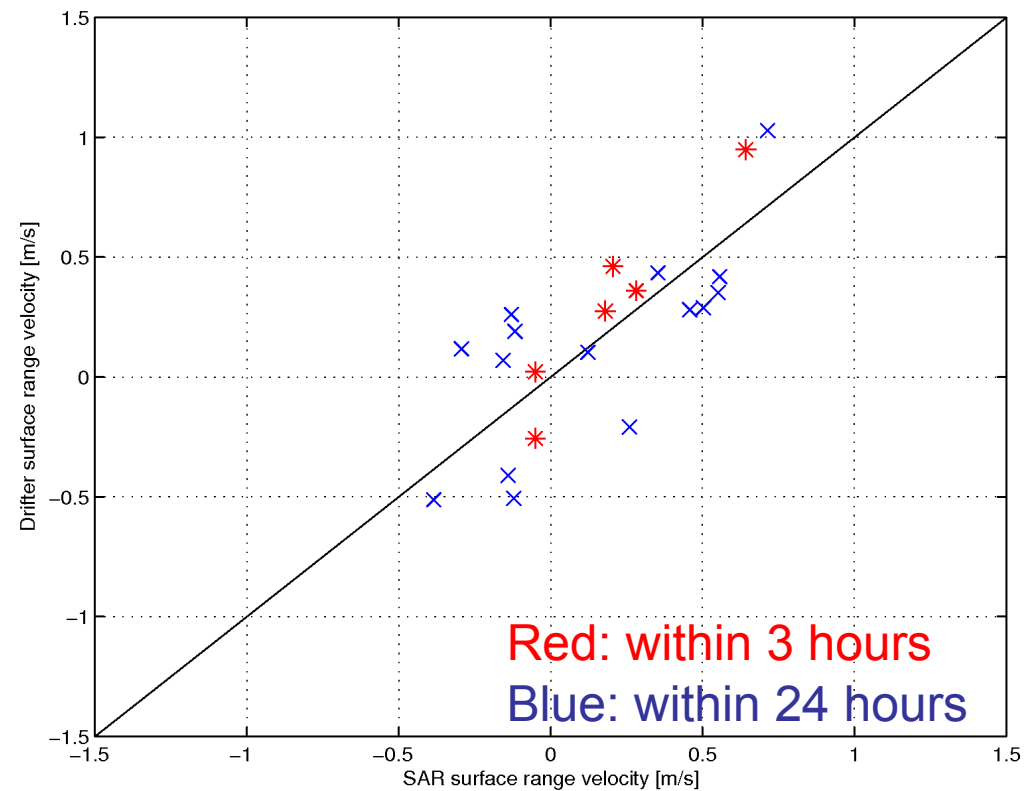
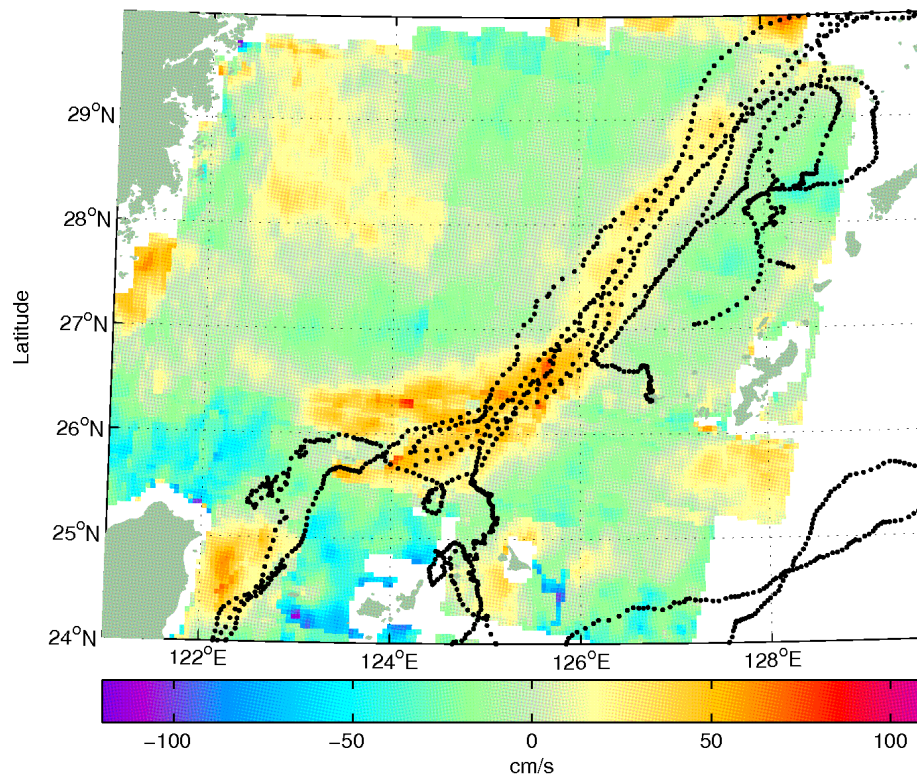


Envisat ASAR



Average of 19 scenes

Comparison with drifters



Conclusion and future work

- Dimensional analysis used to find relationship between internal wave surface current and NRCS modulation
 - Supported by model simulations
 - Future:
 - Need validation against in situ measurements
 - Retrieval of internal wave amplitude and pycnocline depth/strength
- SAR Doppler velocity useful for retrieval of both ocean surface current and wind