

Akustikk og fiskeåtferd: korleis kan vi observera åtferd og kva finn vi ut?

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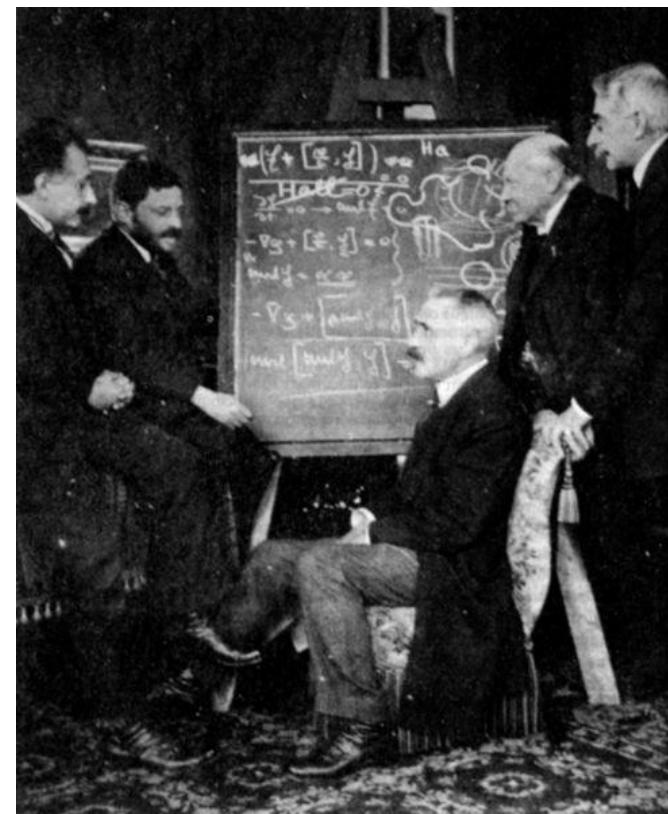
The beginning

- In 1490 Leonardo Da Vinci wrote:

"If you cause your ship to stop and place the head of a long tube in the water and place the outer extremity to your ear, you will hear ships at a great distance from you."

Paul Langevin (1872-1946), French physicist

His **most famous work** was in the use of **ultrasound** using Pierre Curie's **piezoelectric** effect. During World War I, he began working on the use of these sounds **to detect submarines** through echo location. However the war was over by the time he had it operational (wikipedia).



Albert Einstein, Paul Ehrenfest, Paul Langevin, Heike Kamerlingh Onnes, and Pierre Weiss at Ehrenfest's home in Leiden

”Echo Sounding”

Nature, 1925, 115, p689-690

Whatever may be the limitations of the present device, there is no doubt that, as in many other instances, simplification of design and operation will follow further research, and an aid to navigation of inestimable value will eventually be at the disposal of all who take ships to sea. By the use of the

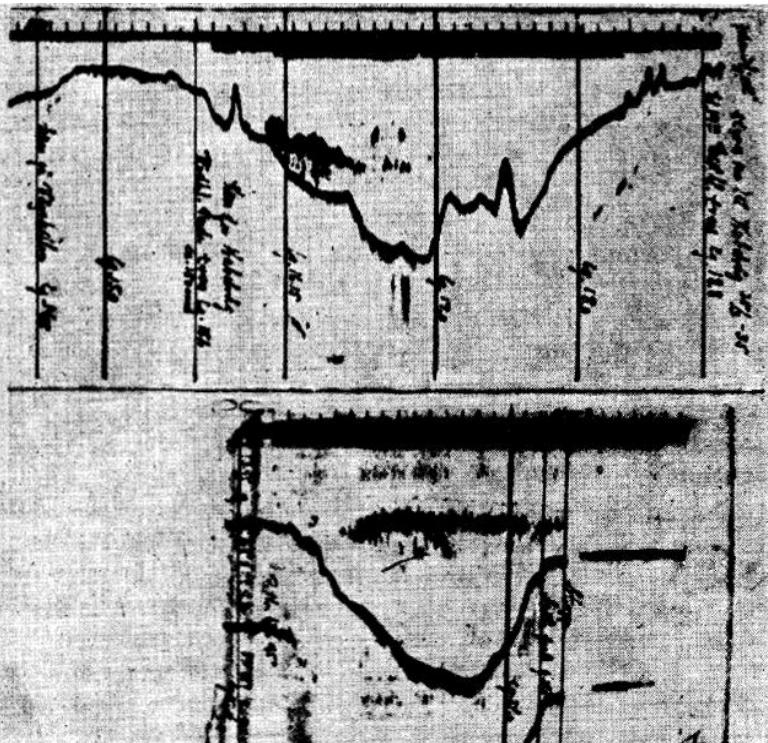


Further progress

- 1927 The French navigator Railley du Baty reported unexpected sounder signals midwater
- 1933 Skipper Ronnie Balls experimented with echo sounders
- 1934 First schools detected by echo sounders published by skipper Reinert Bokn using British echo sounders (Admiralty sounder, wrote on paper)

“Echo Sounding in Fishery Research”

O.Sund, Nature, 1935, Vol 135, p 953



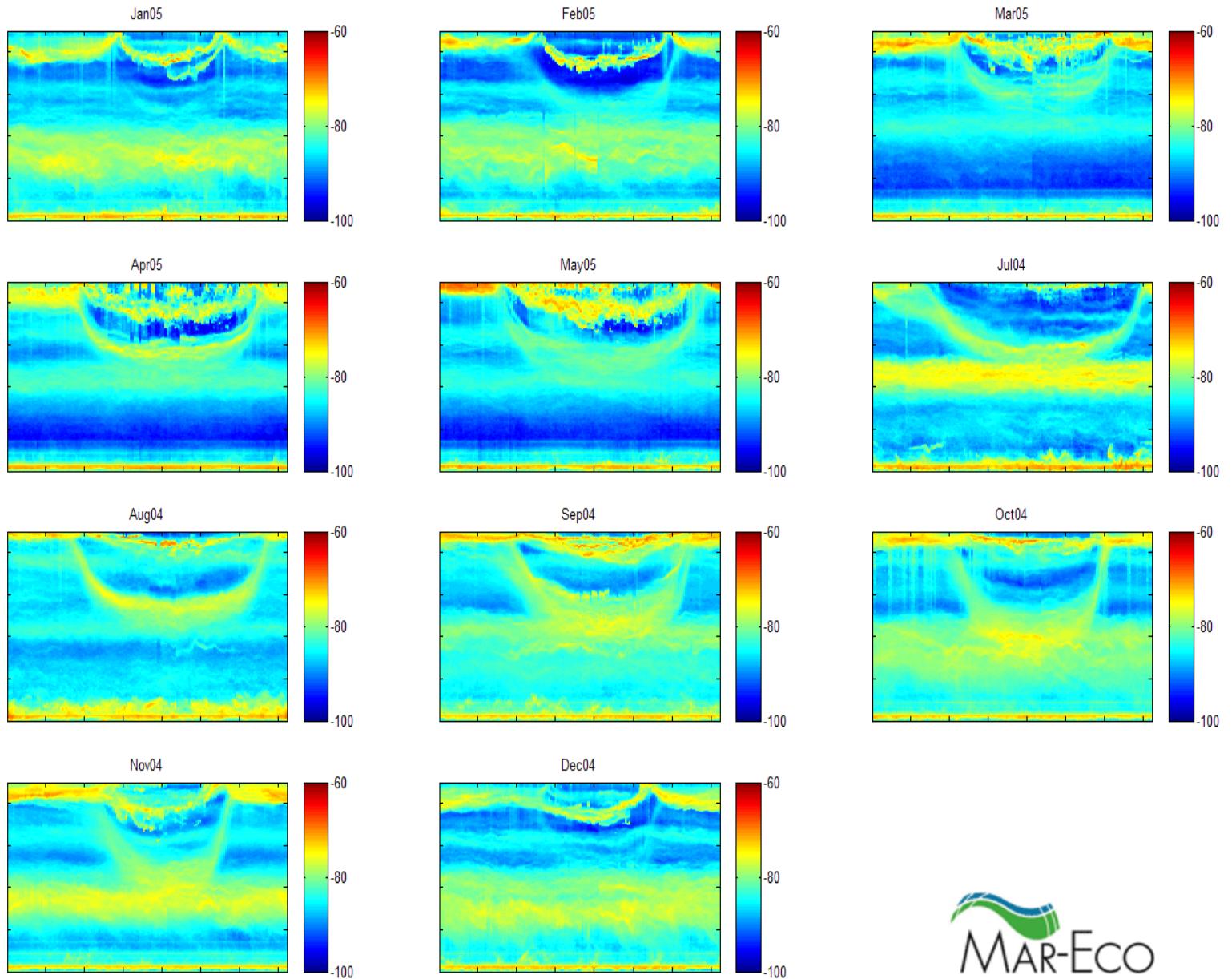
It is interesting to note that this spawning concentration of cod has apparently no relation to the bottom. This was well known before, but no one could have imagined the fish to be limited to such a sharply defined layer of only 10–12 metres in thickness, extending widely above deep water and shallow, always at the same distance from the water surface.



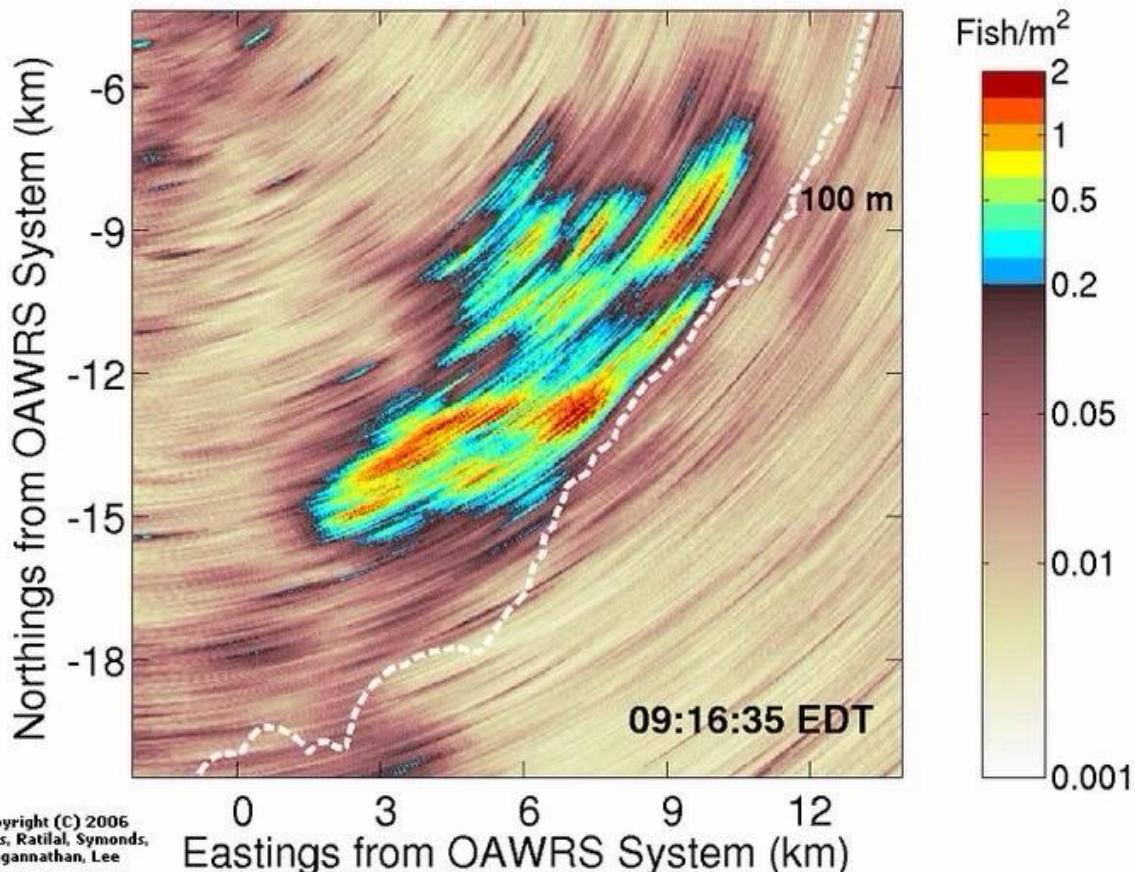
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Instantaneous OAWRS Areal Fish Population Density



Fish Population and Behavior Revealed by Instantaneous Continental Shelf-Scale Imaging

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Critical Population Density Triggers Rapid Formation of Vast Oceanic Fish Shoals

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- Frequencies: 390-440Hz
- Spatial scales: ~100 km
- Requires ocean waveguide

Fish schools (Jagannathan et al, 2010)

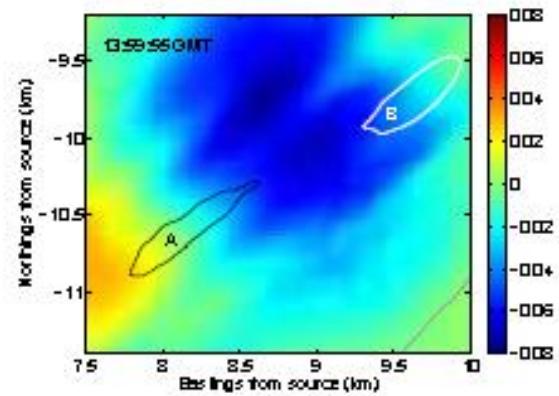
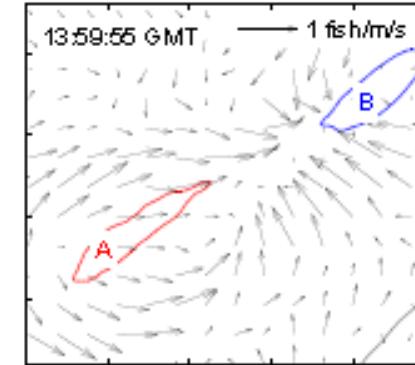
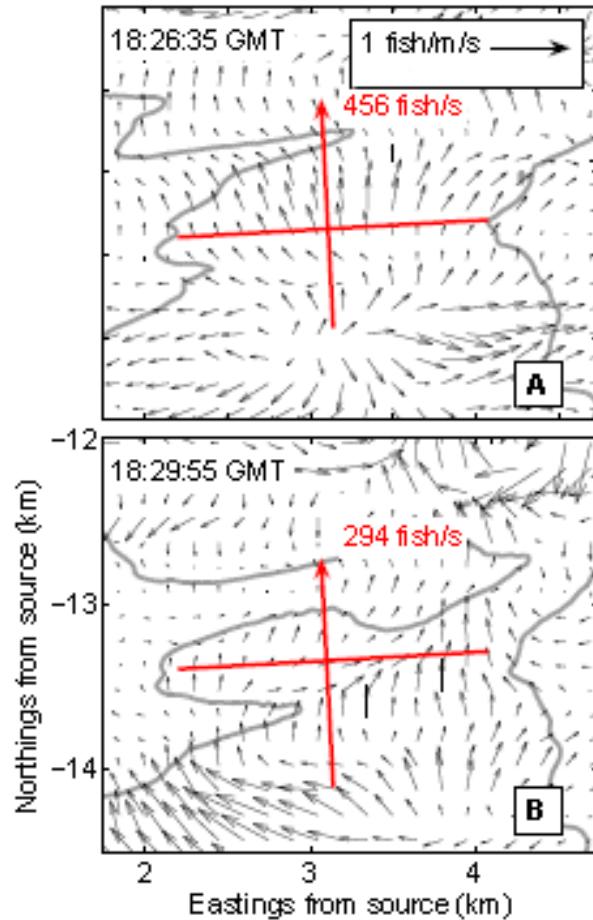
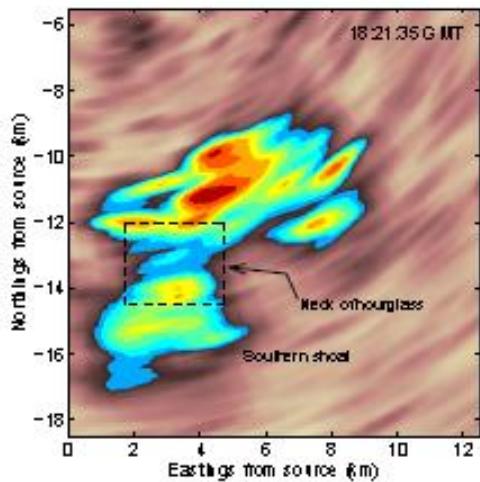
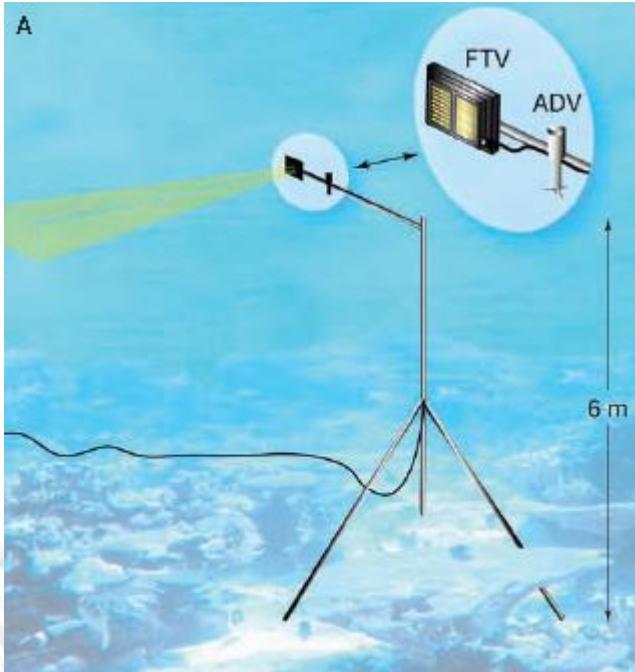


Fig. 9. Pressure (N/m^2 per unit fish mass) distribution within large fish shoals showing formation of a low pressure region that attracts schools A and B. Black and white lines both represent the $1.5 \text{ fish}/\text{m}^2$ population density contours. Gray line represents the $0.2 \text{ fish}/\text{m}^2$ population density contour. Same zoom area as Figure 8.

Swimming against the flow

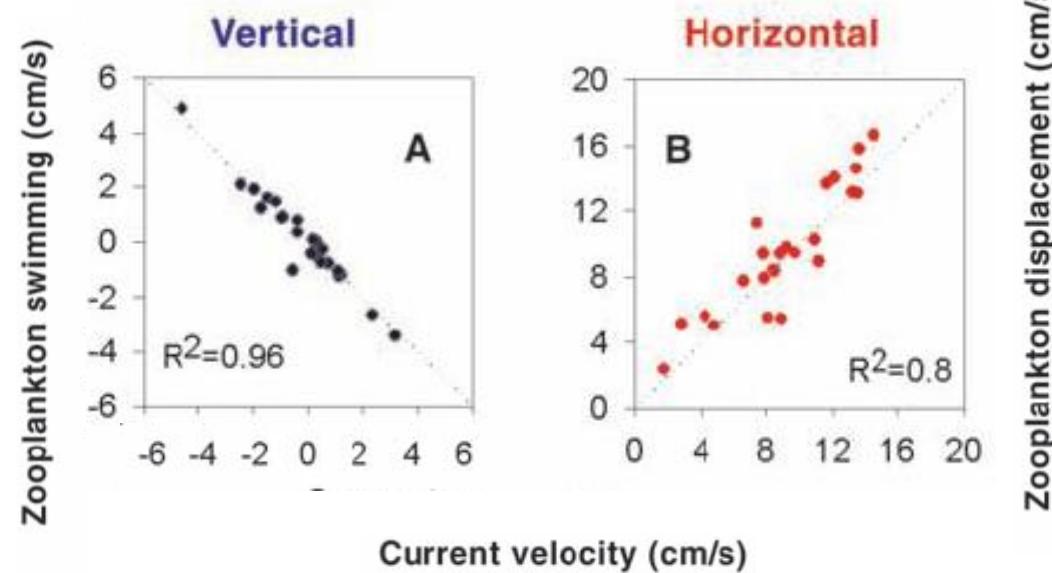
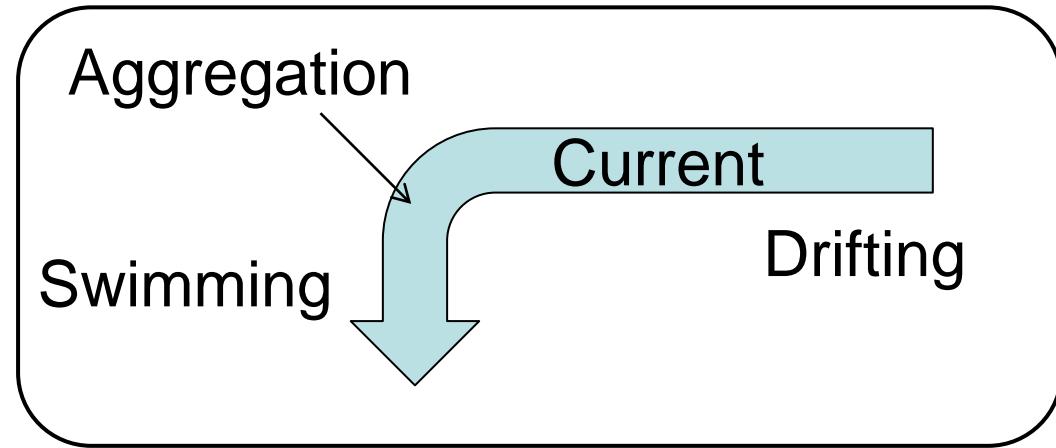


Swimming Against the Flow: A Mechanism of Zooplankton Aggregation

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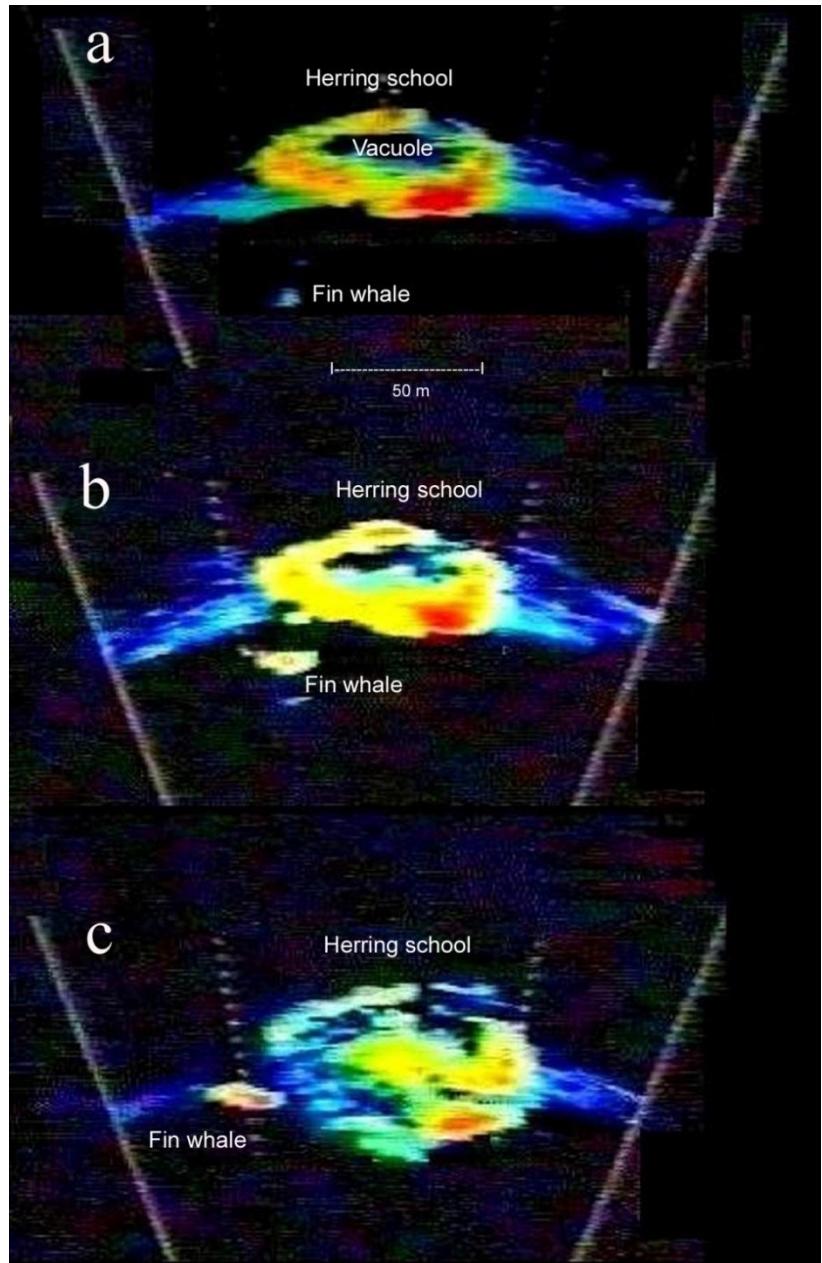
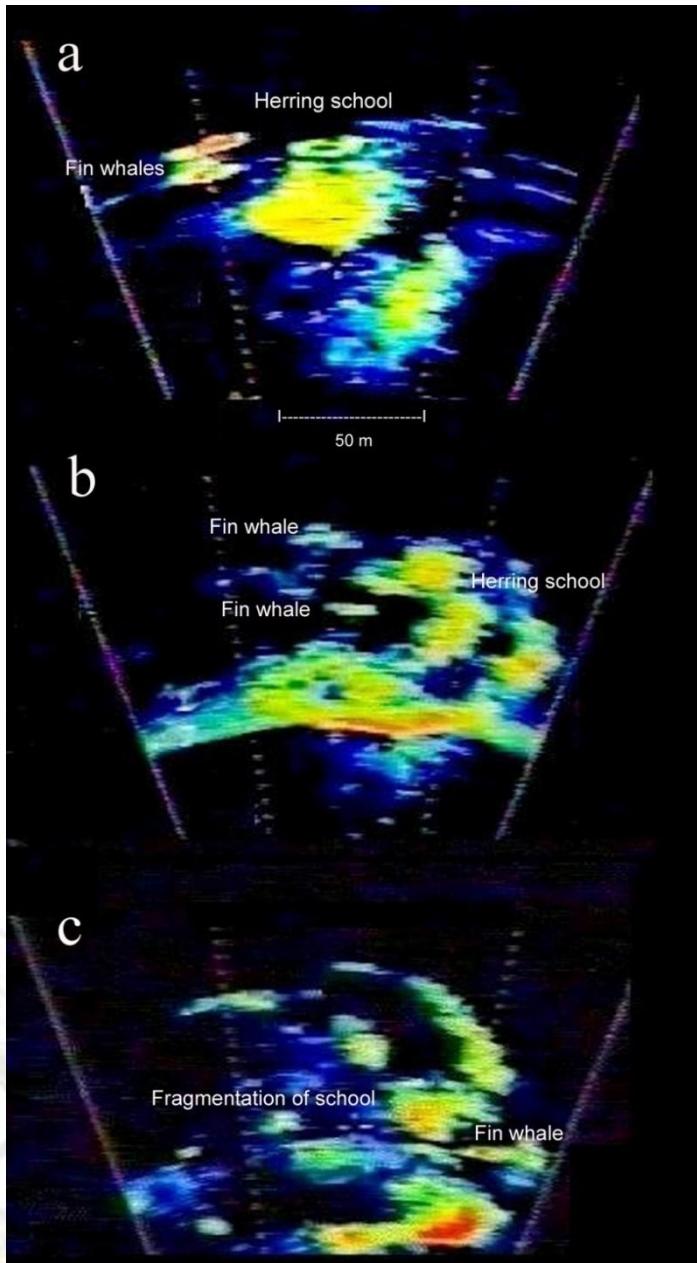


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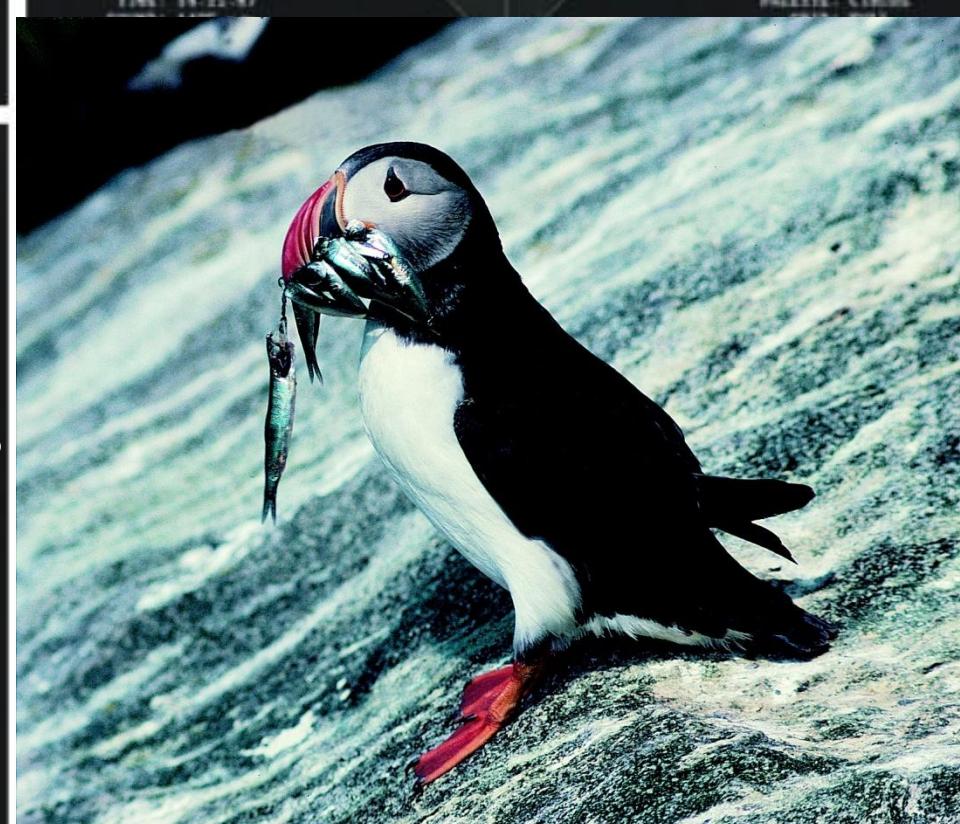
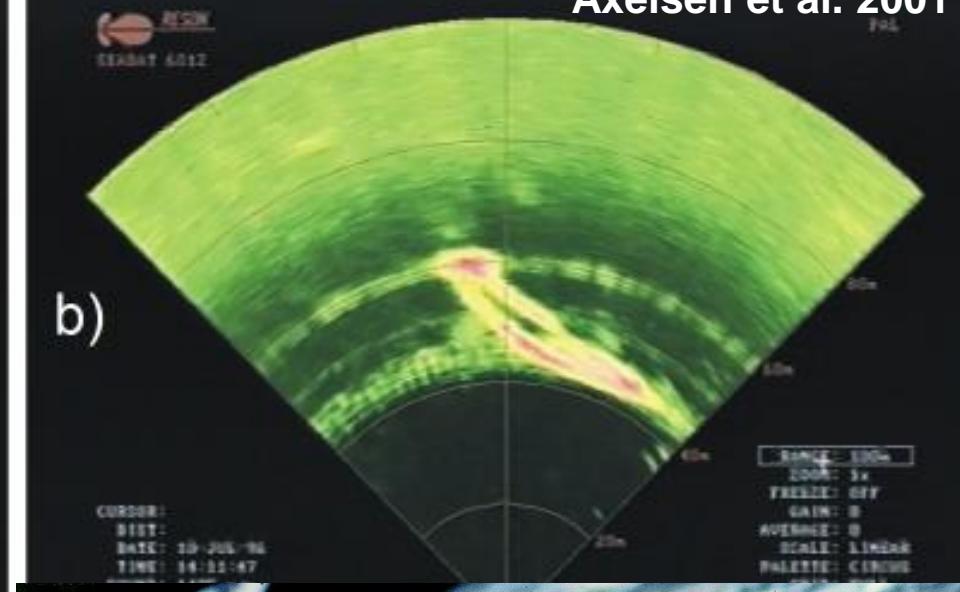
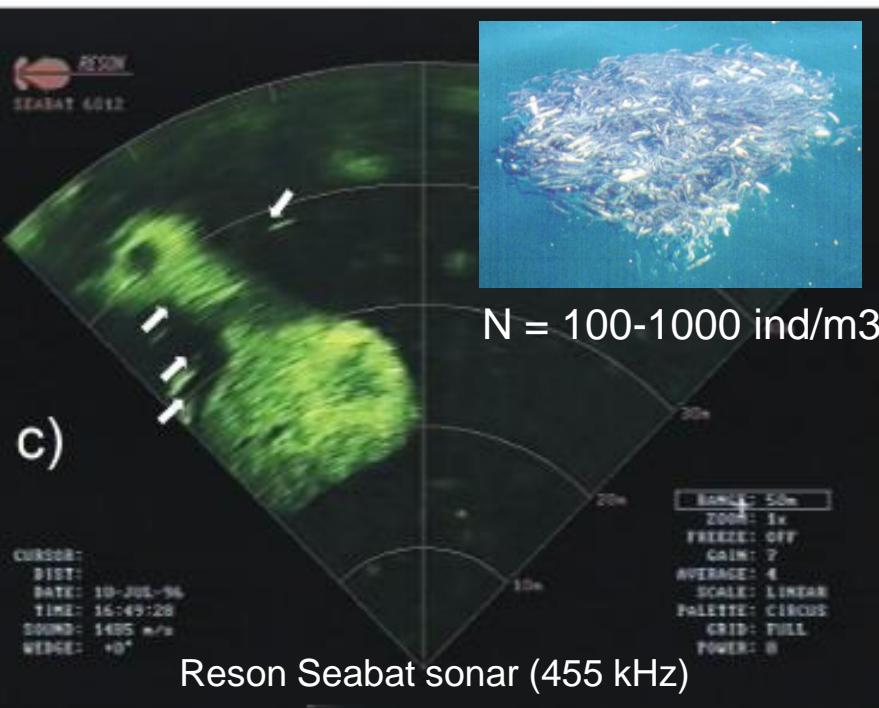
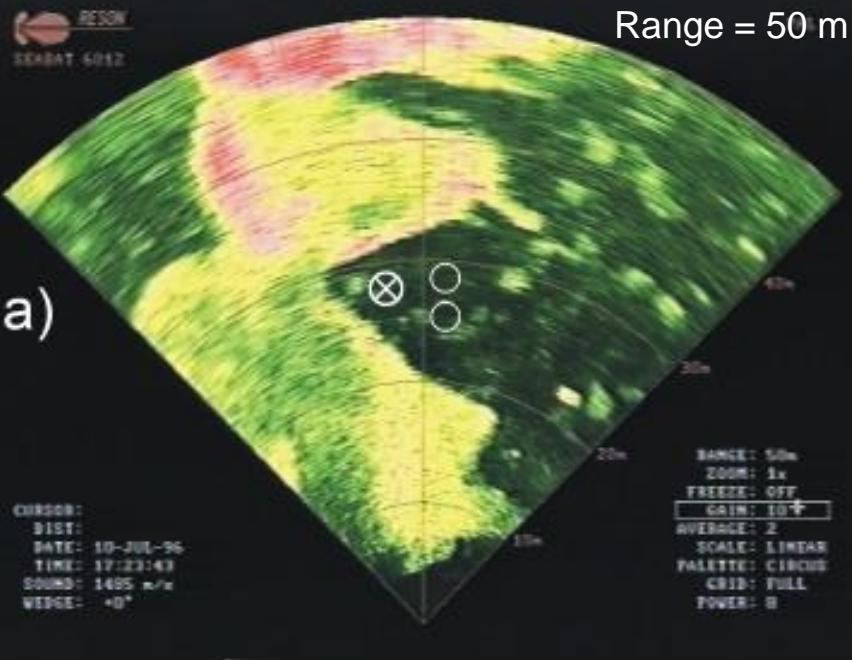
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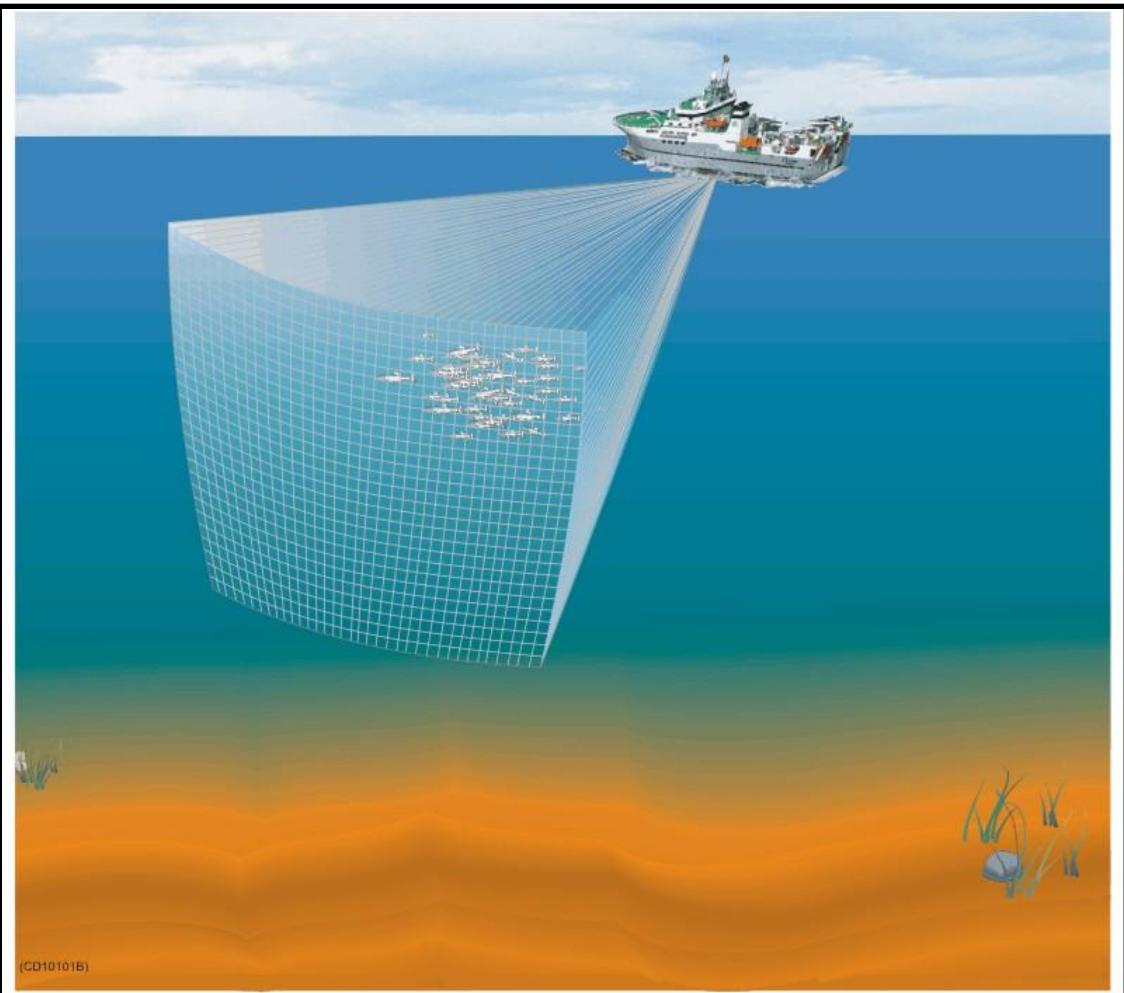
Fin whales pursuing herring at night



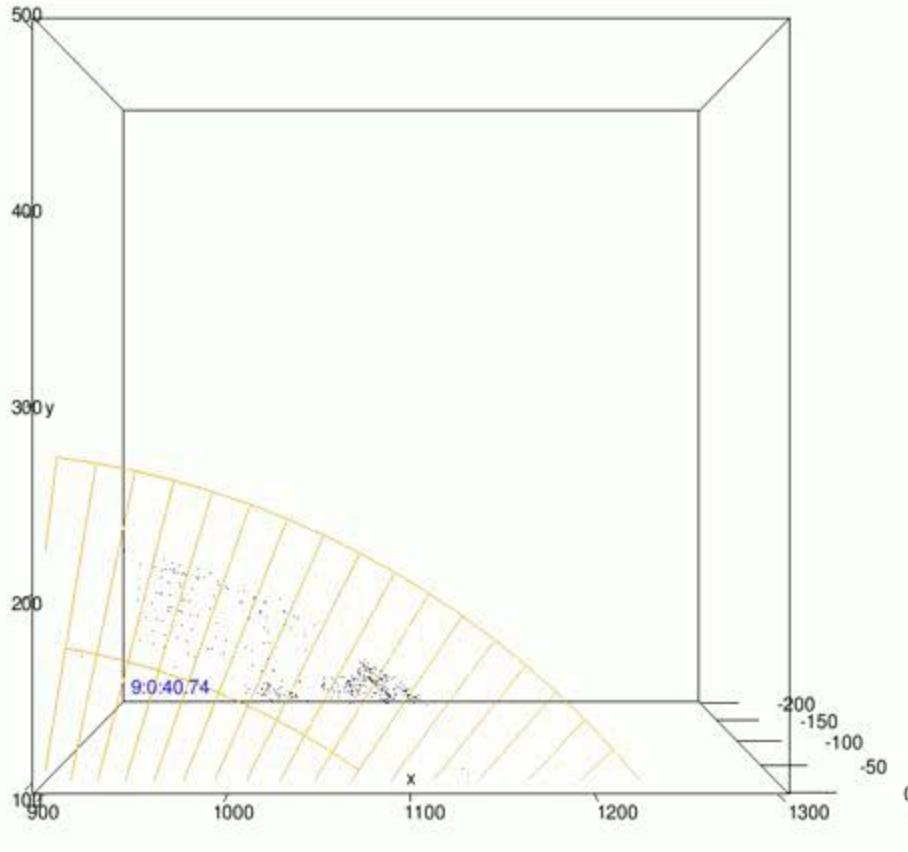
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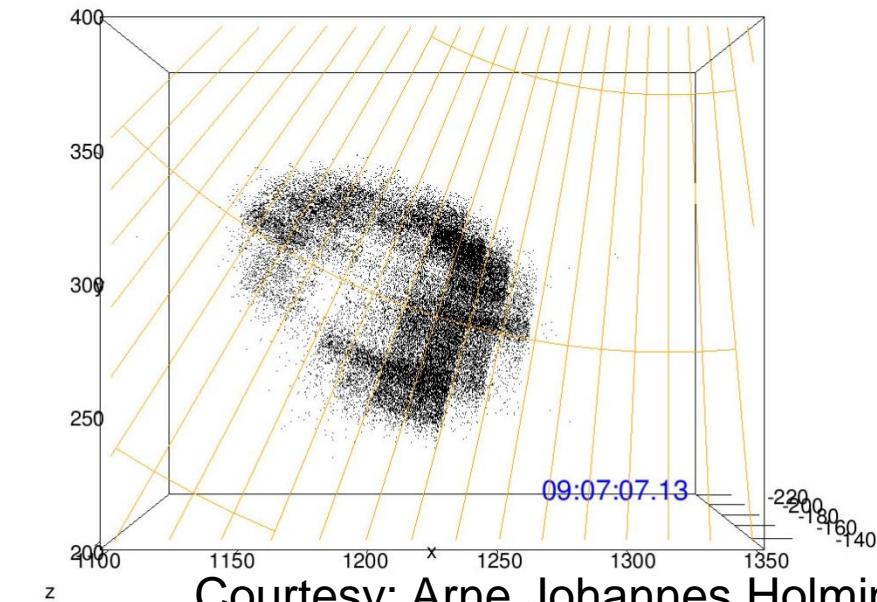
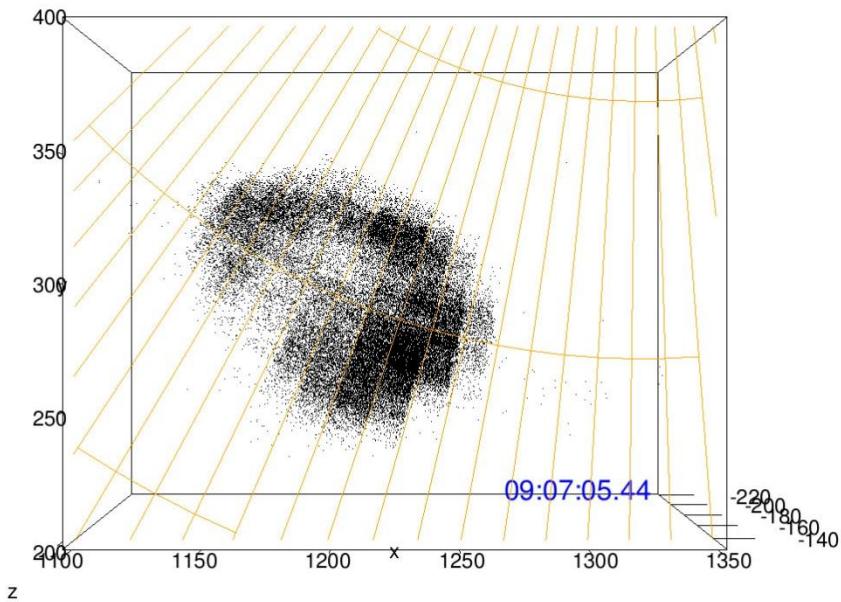
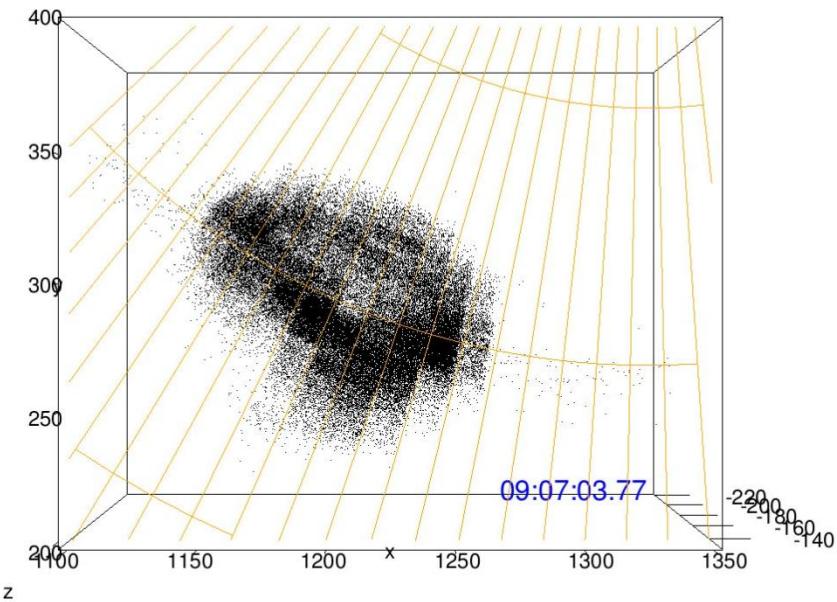
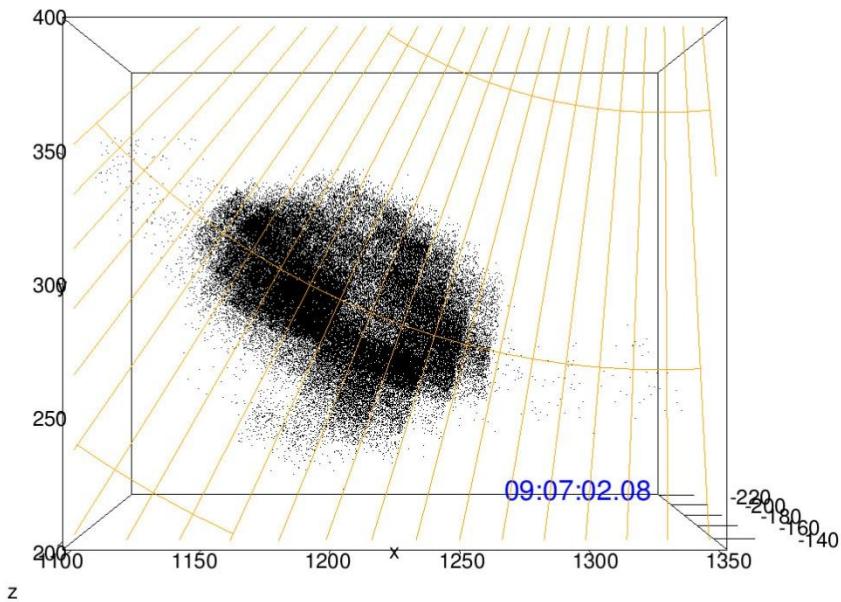
Multi beam sonars



- Multiple beams
- School size and structure
- Typical range is 500m
- Simrad MS70:
- 500 individual beams



Courtesy: Arne Johannes Holmin



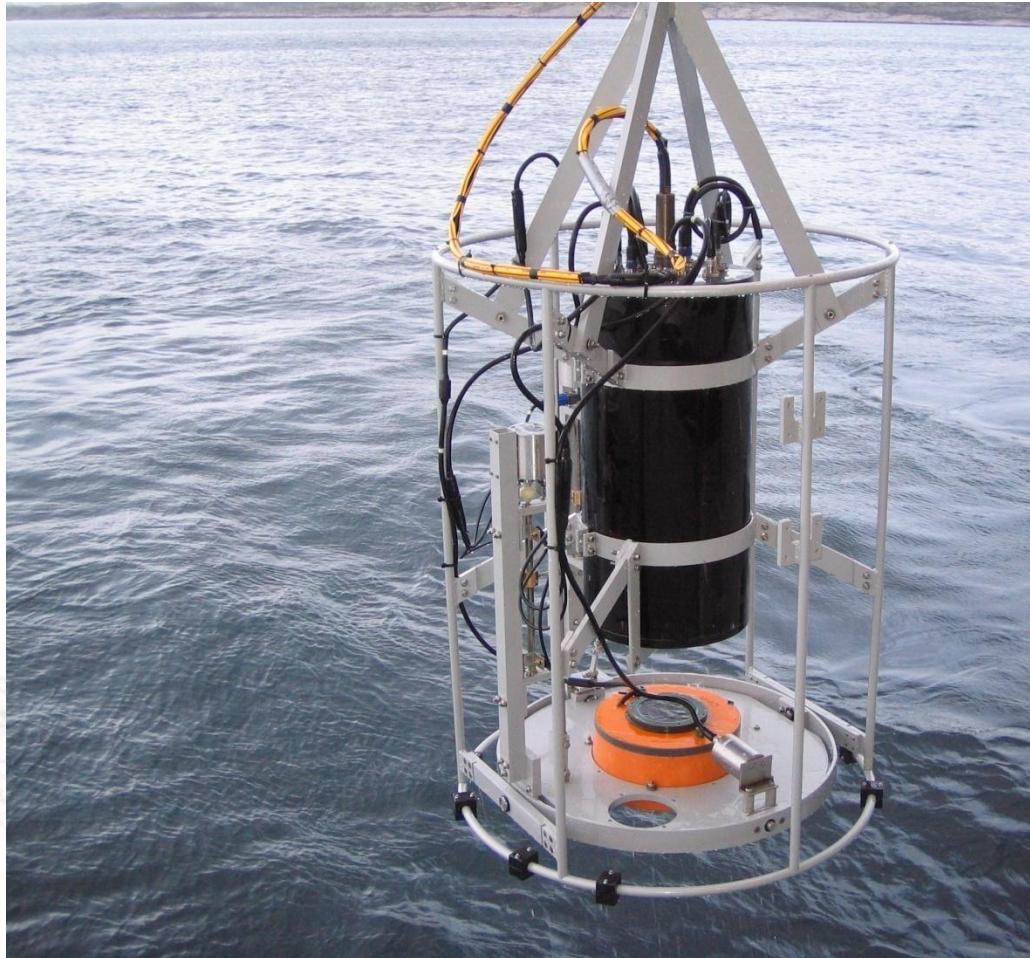
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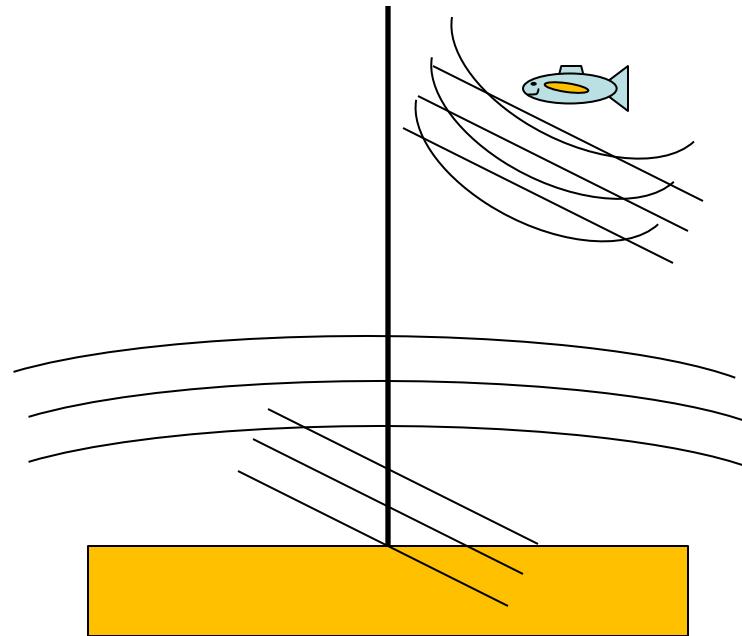
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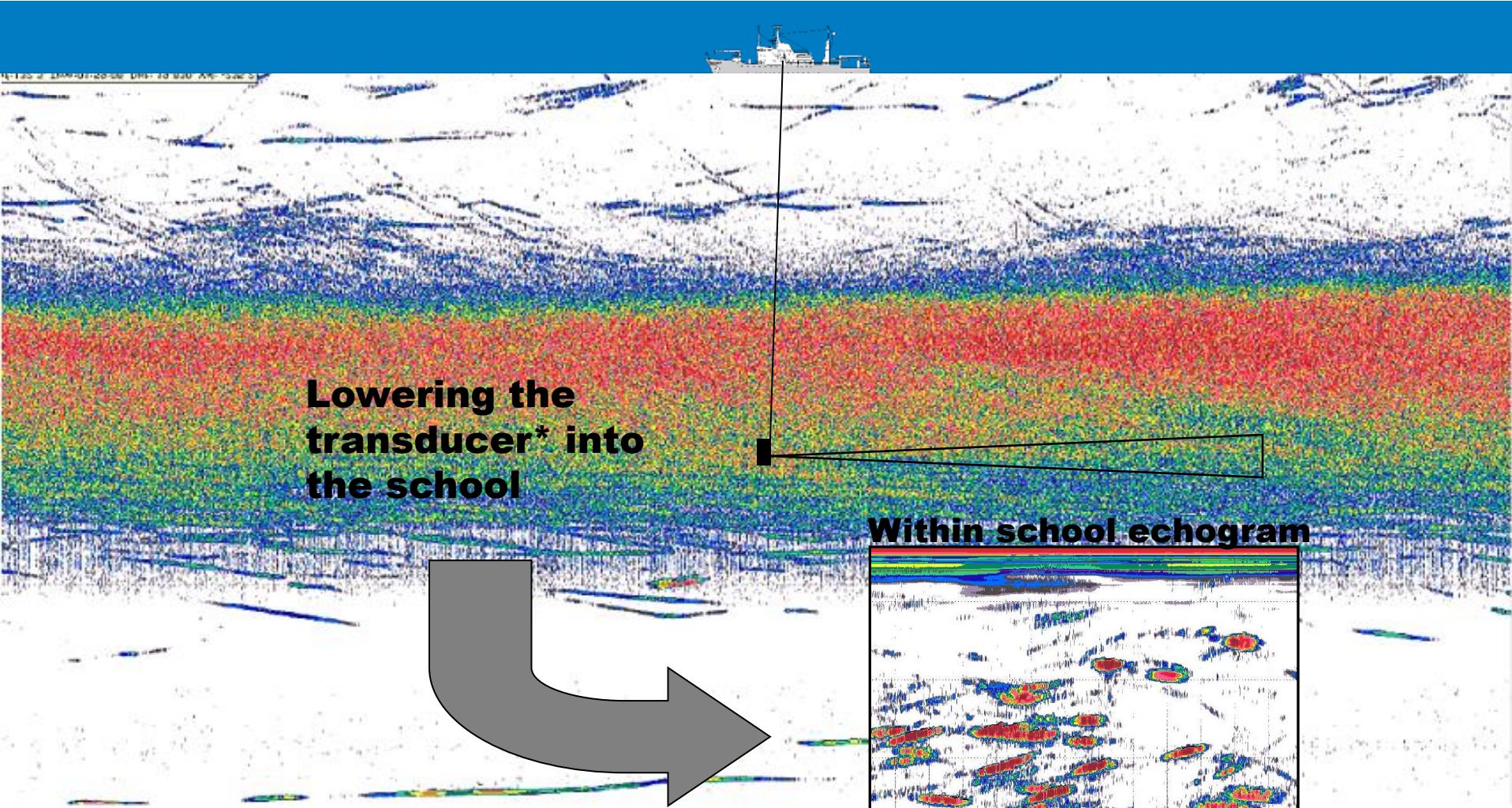


Drop sonde



The split-beam echosounder





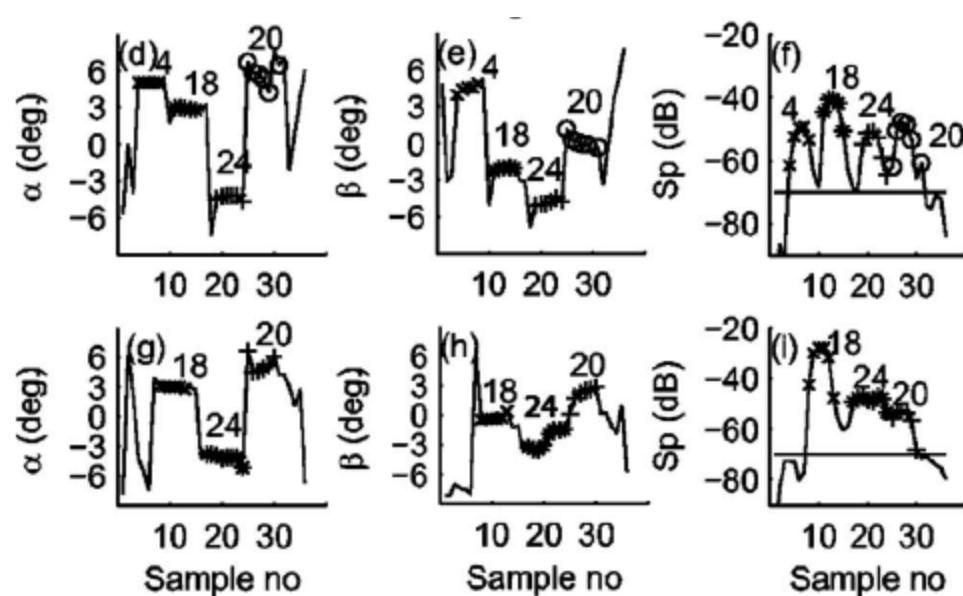
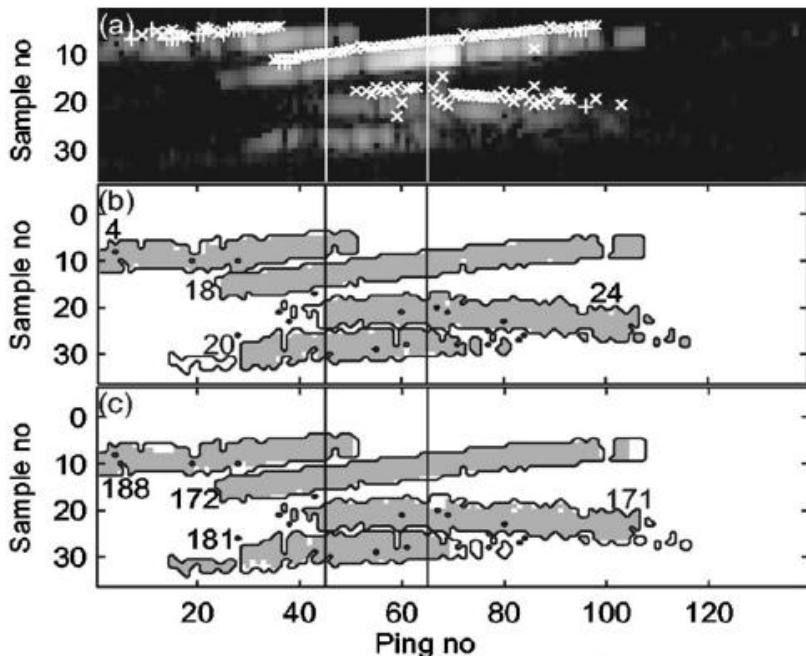
*Simrad EK60 echo sounder with a ES38DD Split beam transducer (pressure stabilized)

Observing individual fish behavior in fish aggregations: Tracking in dense fish aggregations using a split-beam echosounder

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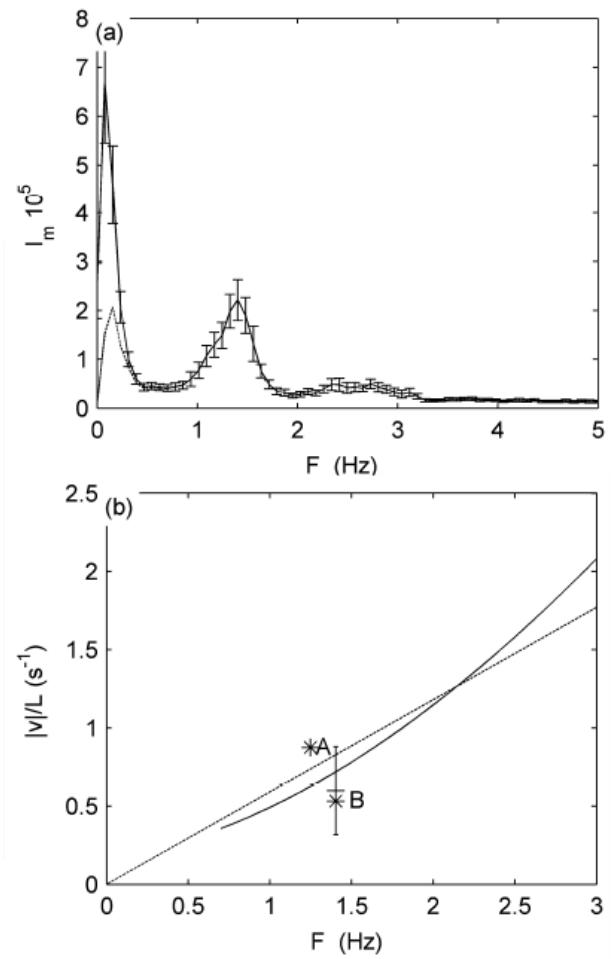
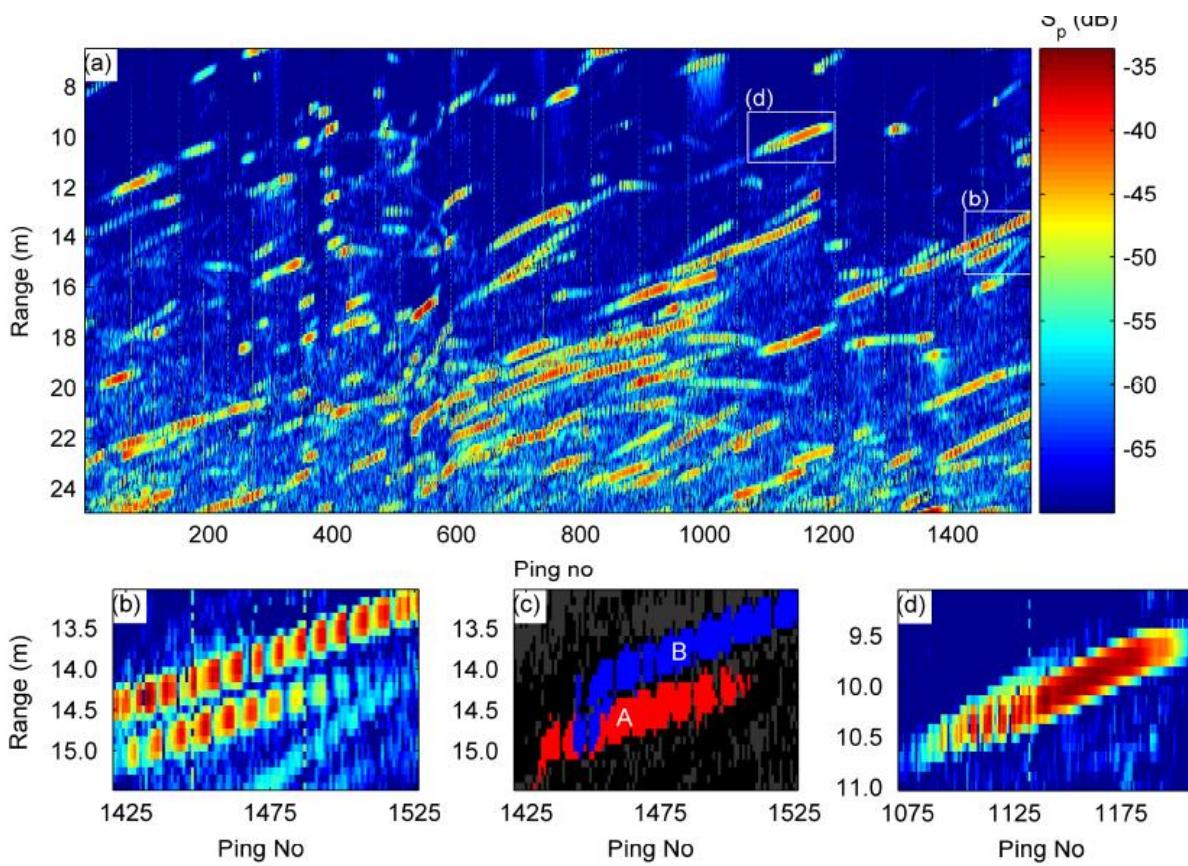
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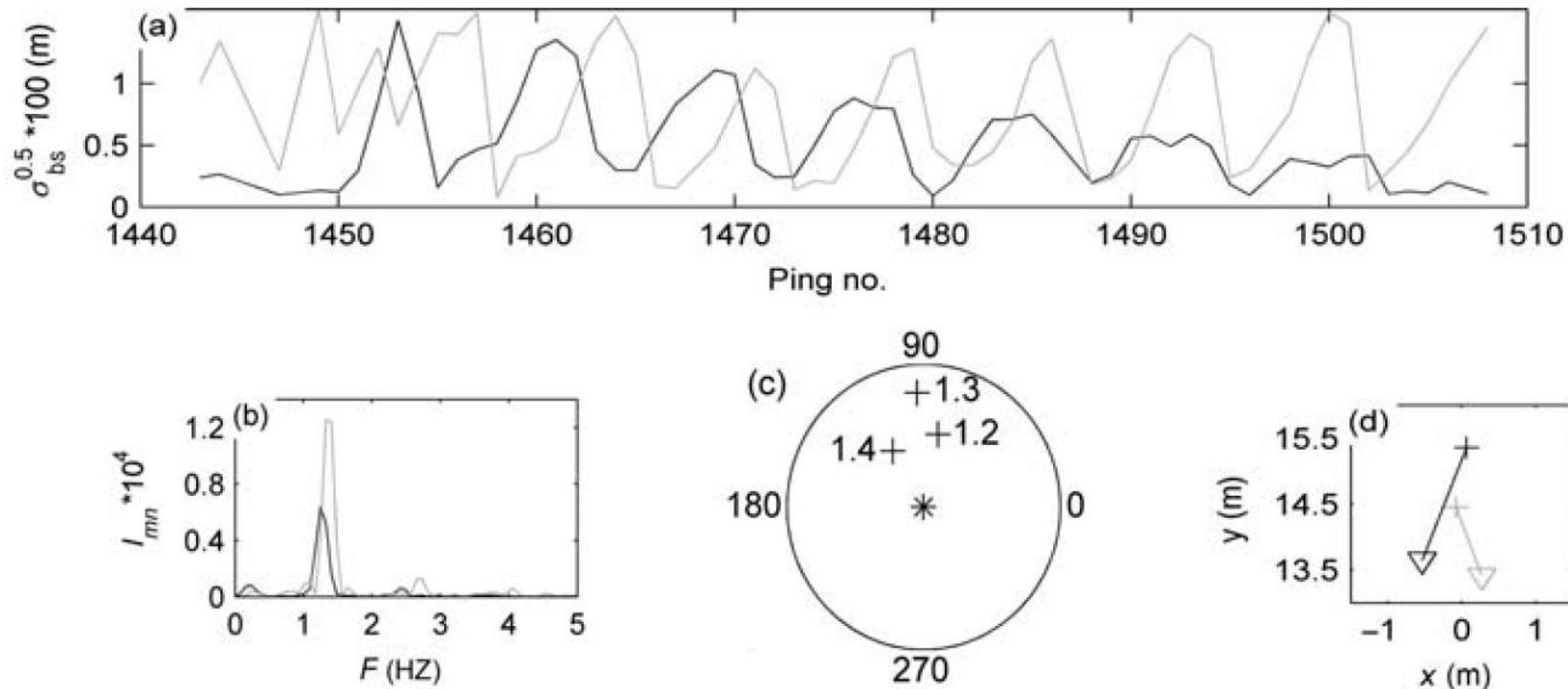


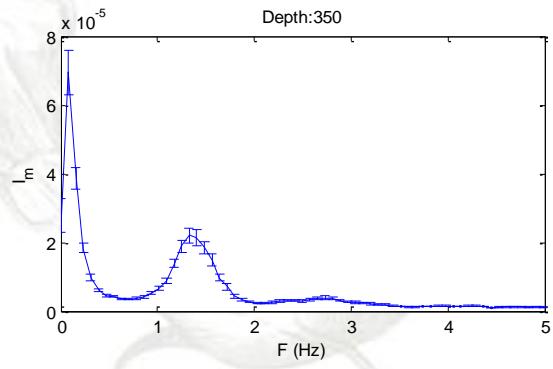
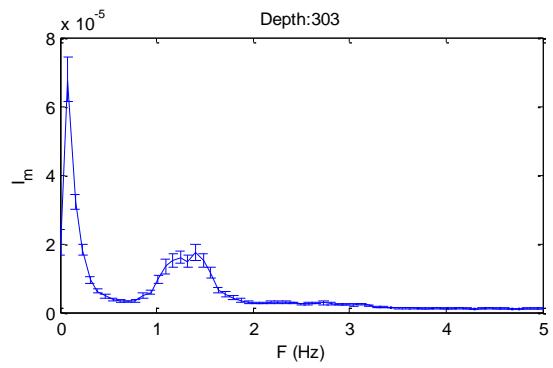
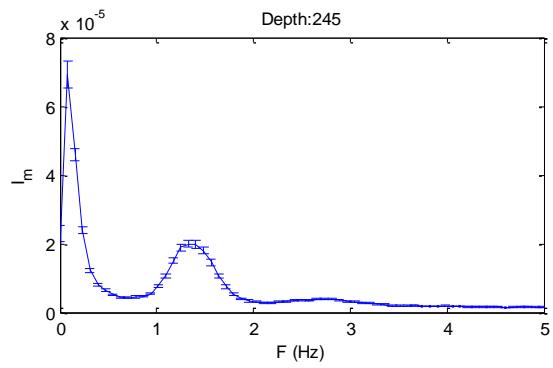
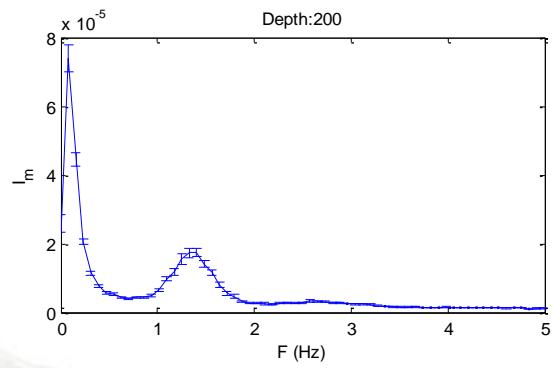
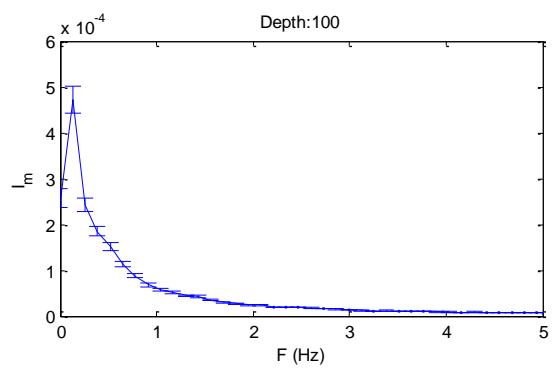
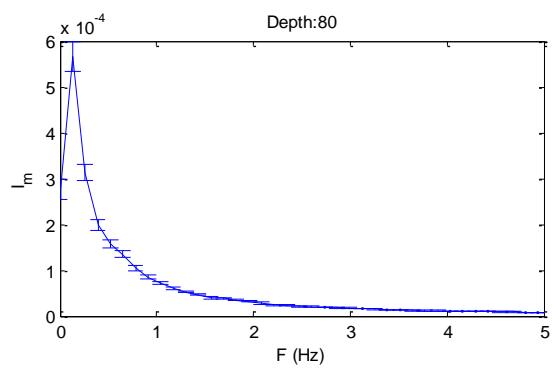
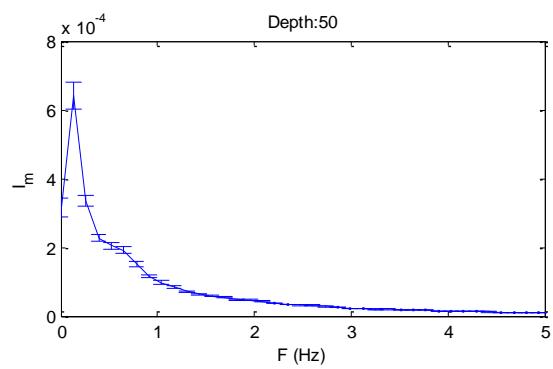


Estimating tailbeat frequency



Handegard et al. (in press)
Estimating Tail-beat Frequency using split-beam echosounders
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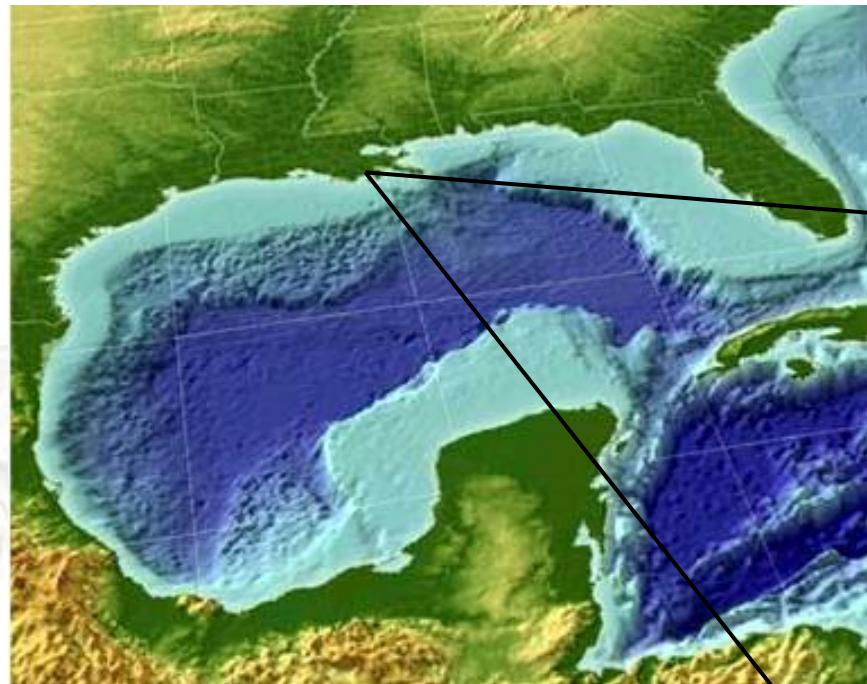
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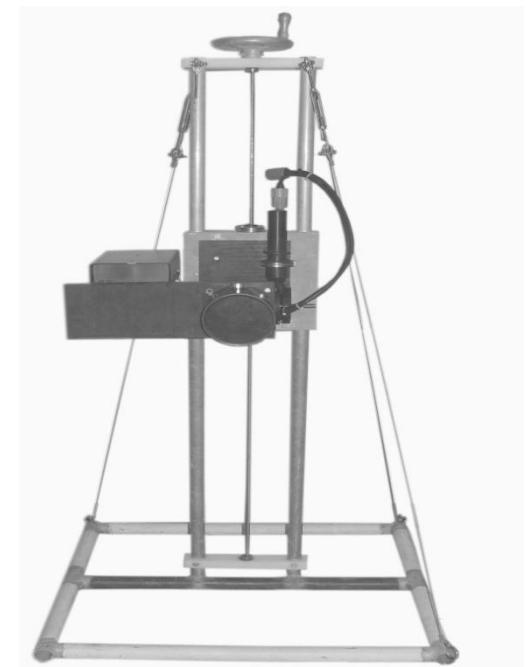
Observations

Sonar was deployed in shallow coastal waters (<2m depth) in Gulf of Mexico.



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DIDSON sonar positioned 12 m from marsh edge



DIDSON sonar

High-frequency mode (1.8 MHz)

Collected at ~7 frames per second

Range ~10 m

Beam configuration (~-3dB):

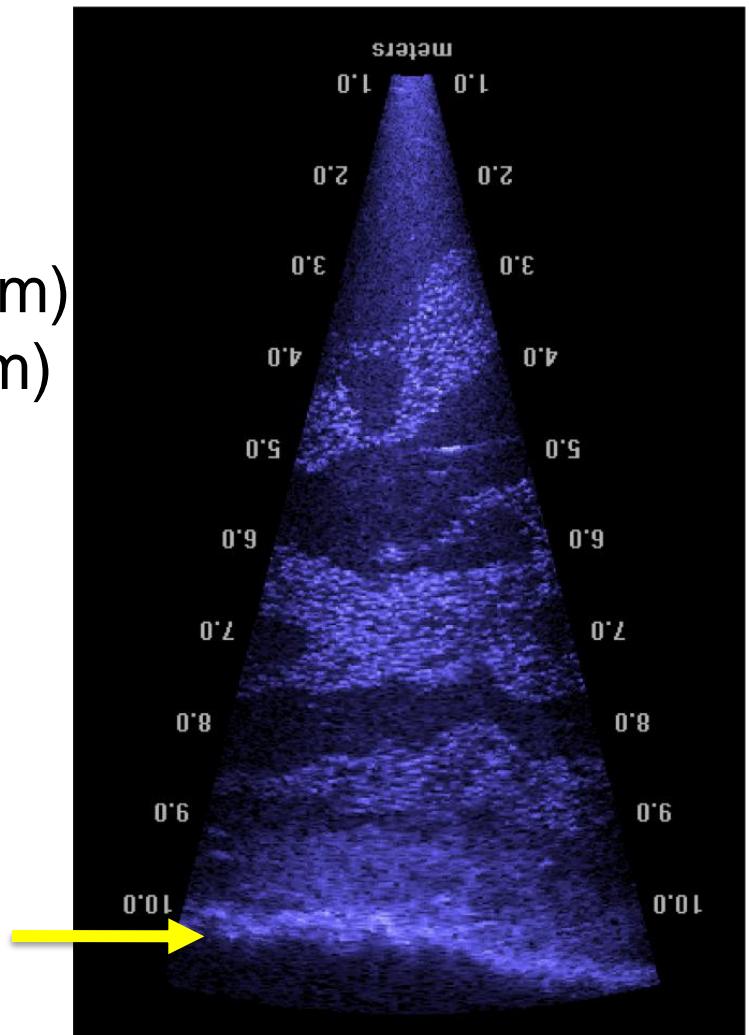
Across: 96x0.3 deg (5 cm @ 10m)

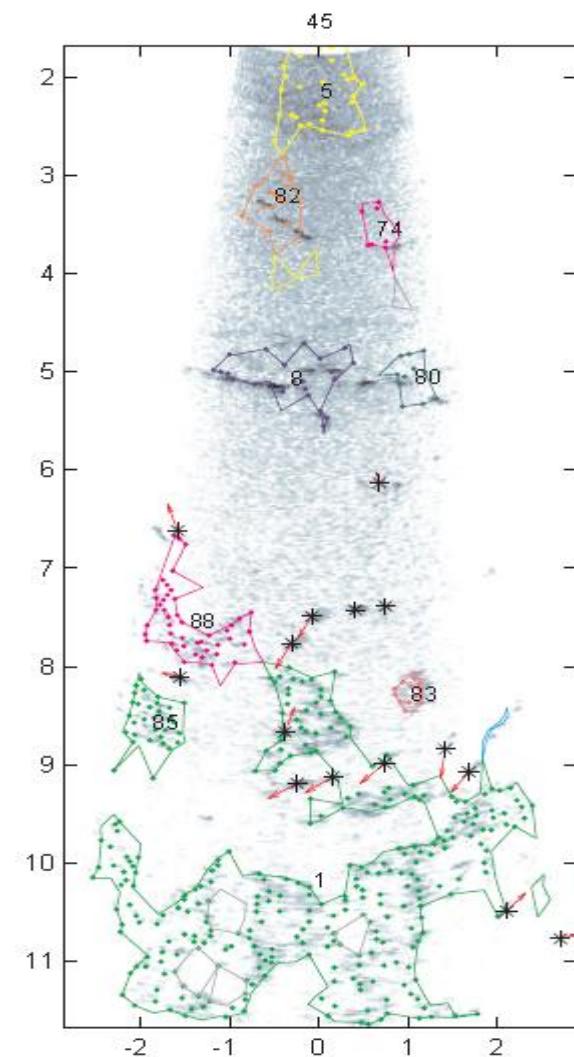
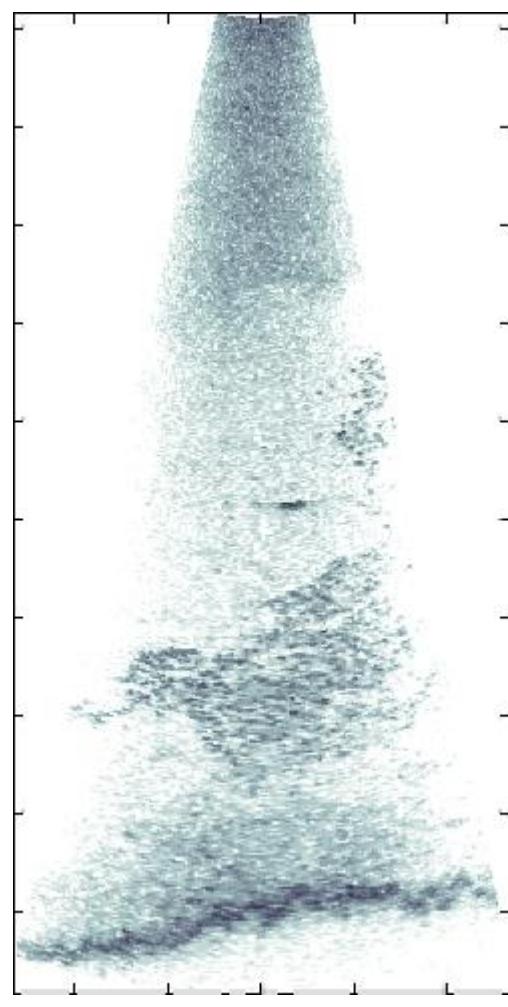
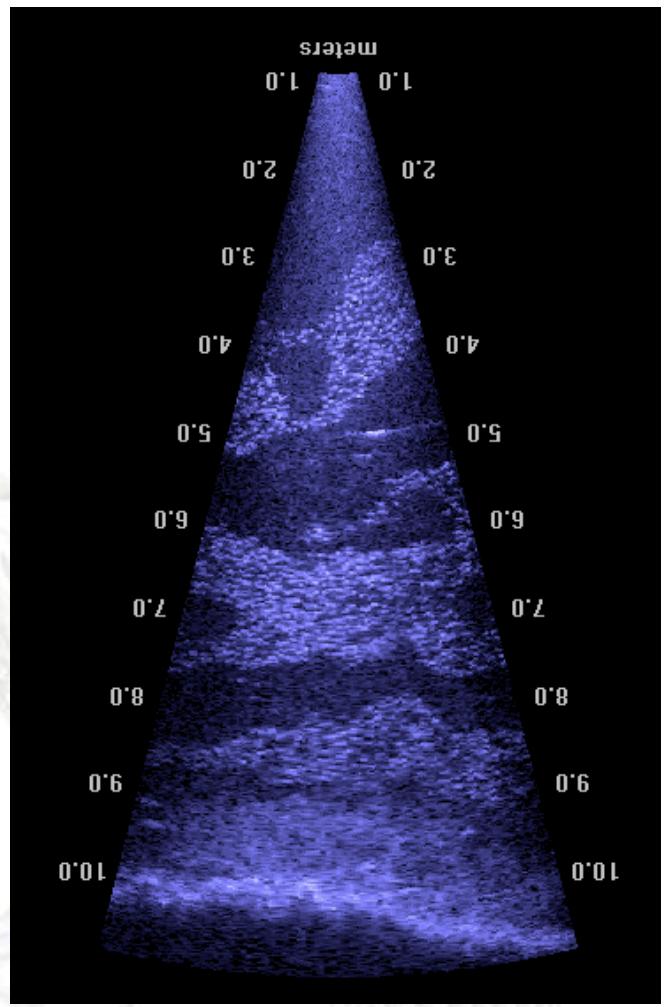
Vertical : 14 deg (140 cm @ 10m)

Range: 2 cm



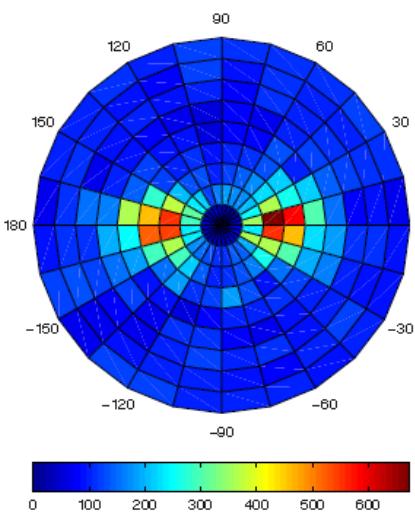
Marsh
Edge



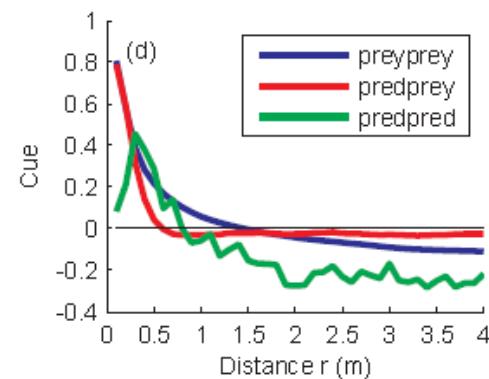
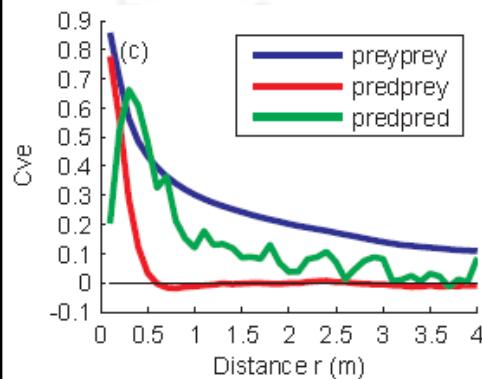
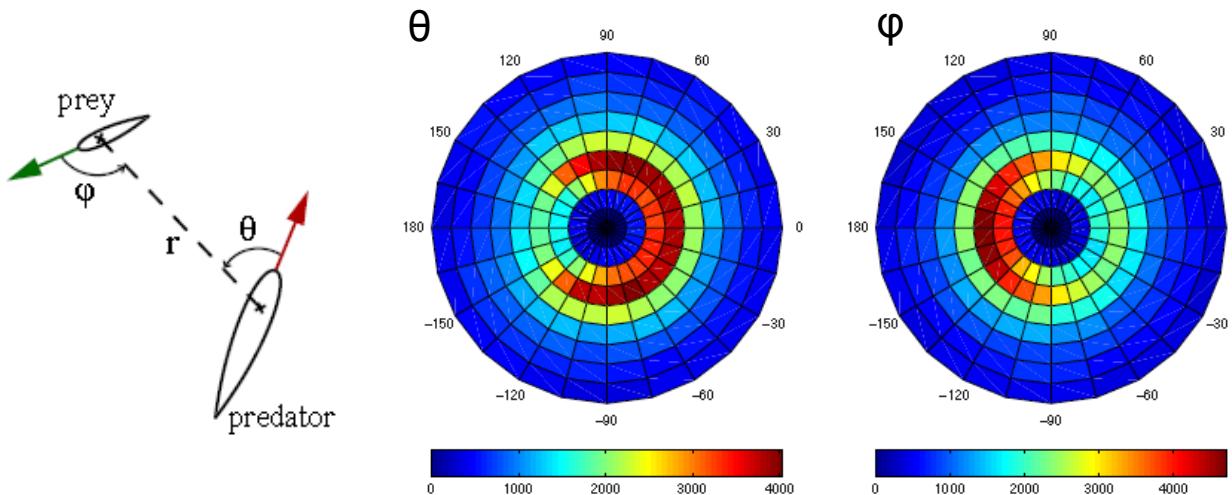


Results

Predator-predator interaksjonar



Predator-byttedyr interaksjonar



Korrelasjonslengder

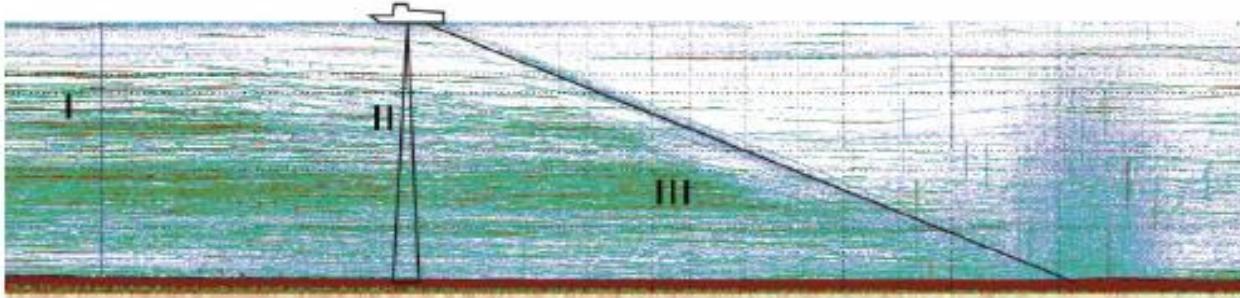


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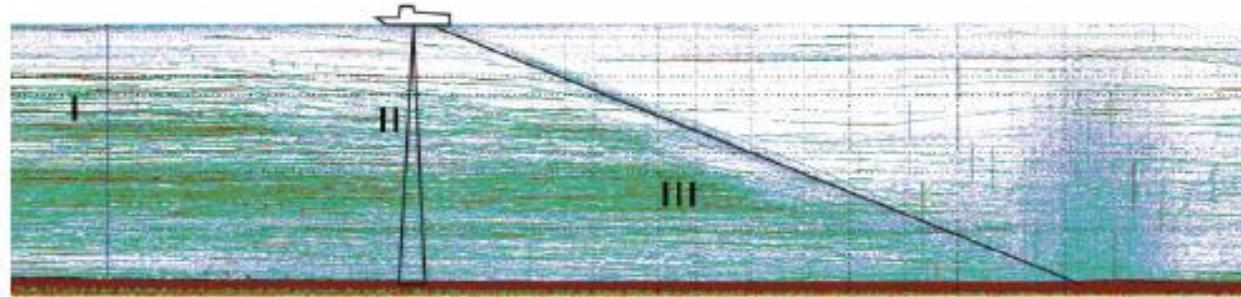


Fish behaviour and sampling

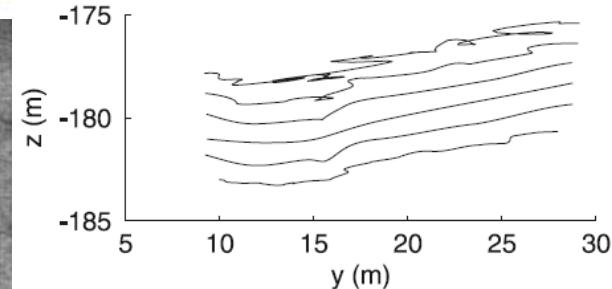
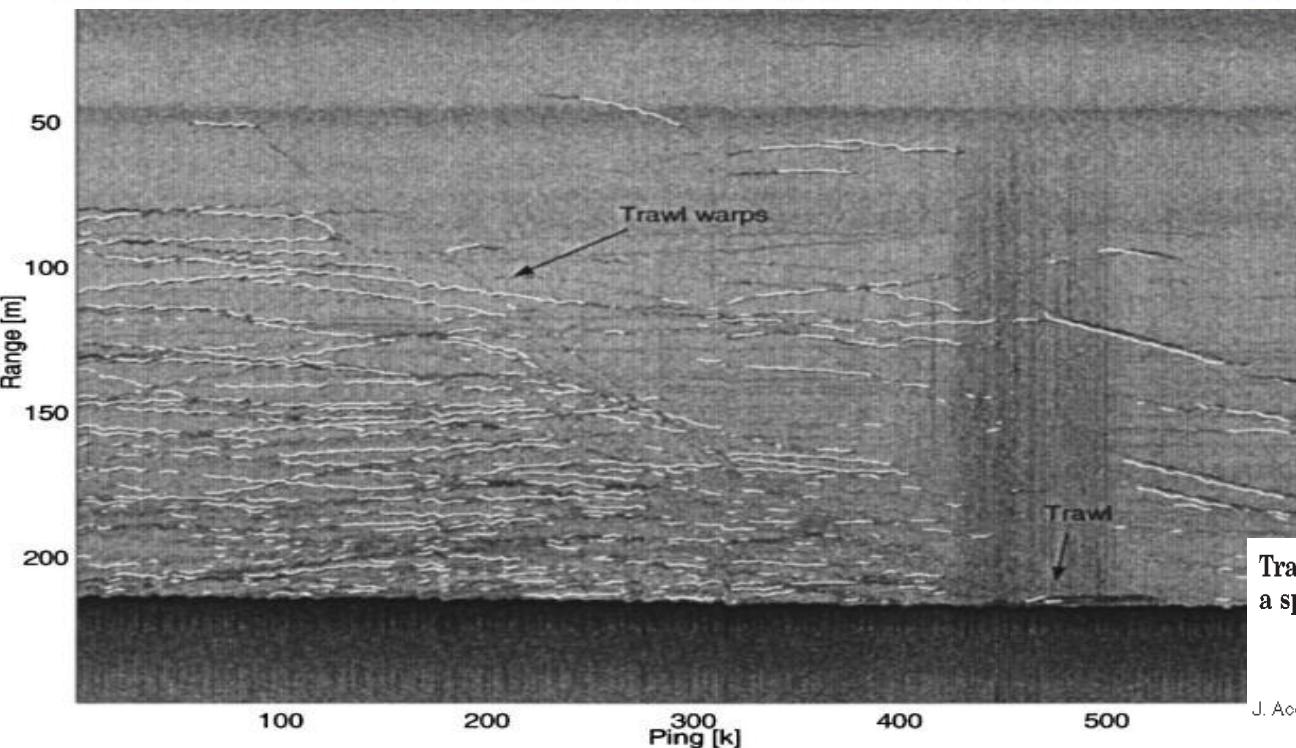


- The behaviour
 - I Behaviour before the arrival of the vessel
 - II Reaction close to the vessel
 - III Reaction to the gear
 - IV Selectivity to trawl (net, gear, mesh, etc)
- How does it affect the surveys?

Observing fish behaviour



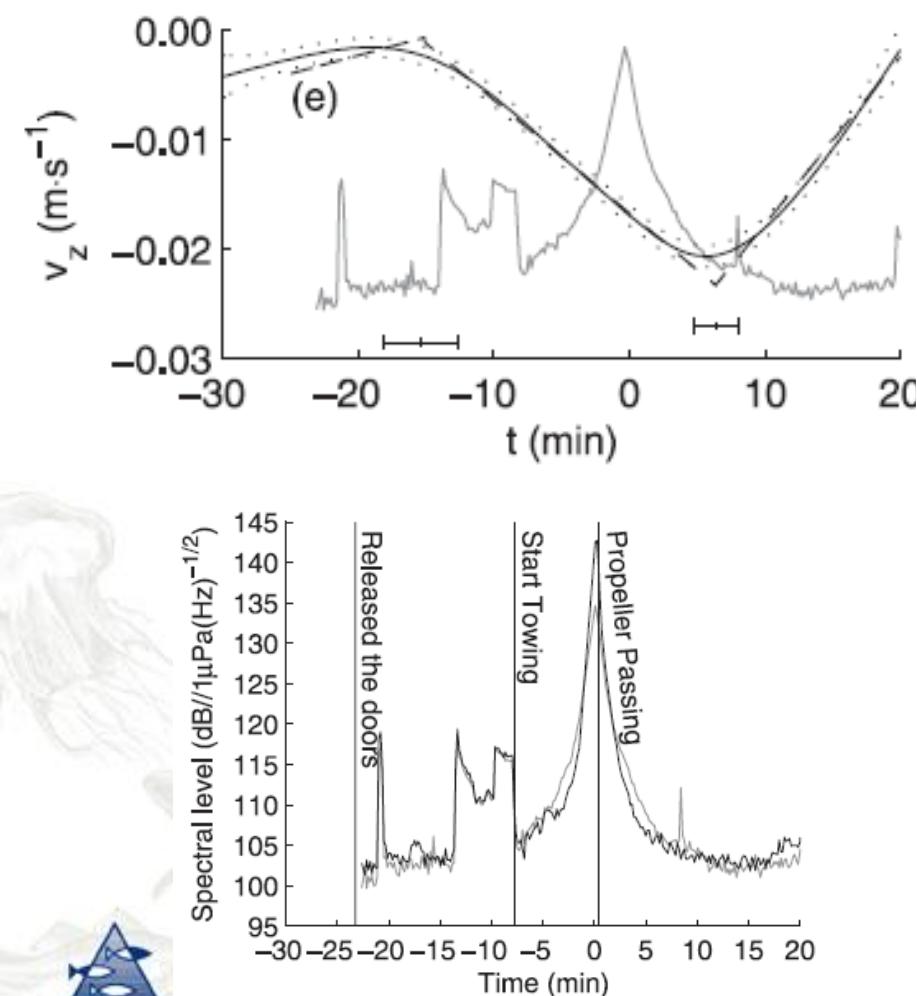
54 passings
23k tracks



Tracking individual fish from a moving platform using a split-beam transducer

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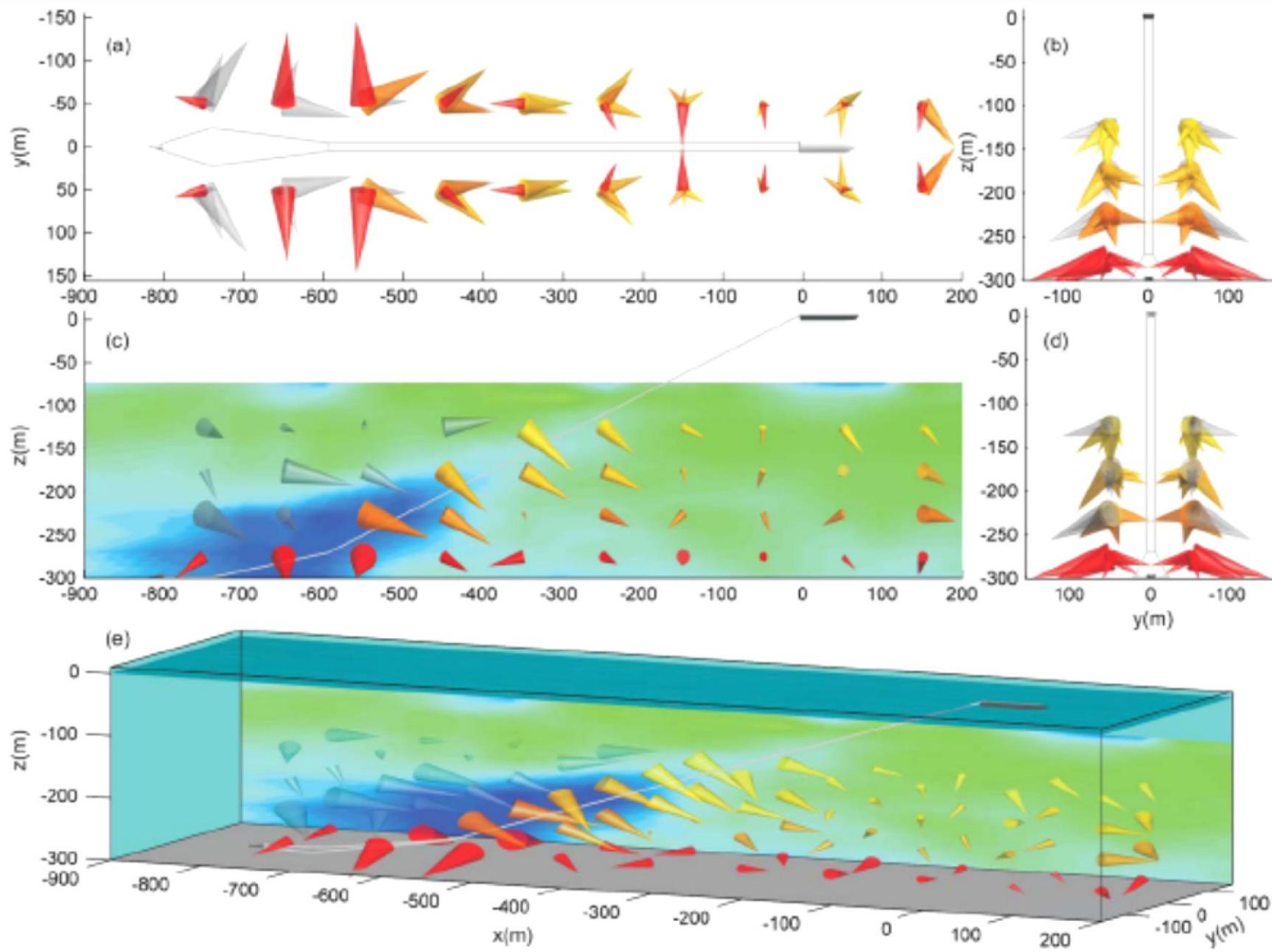
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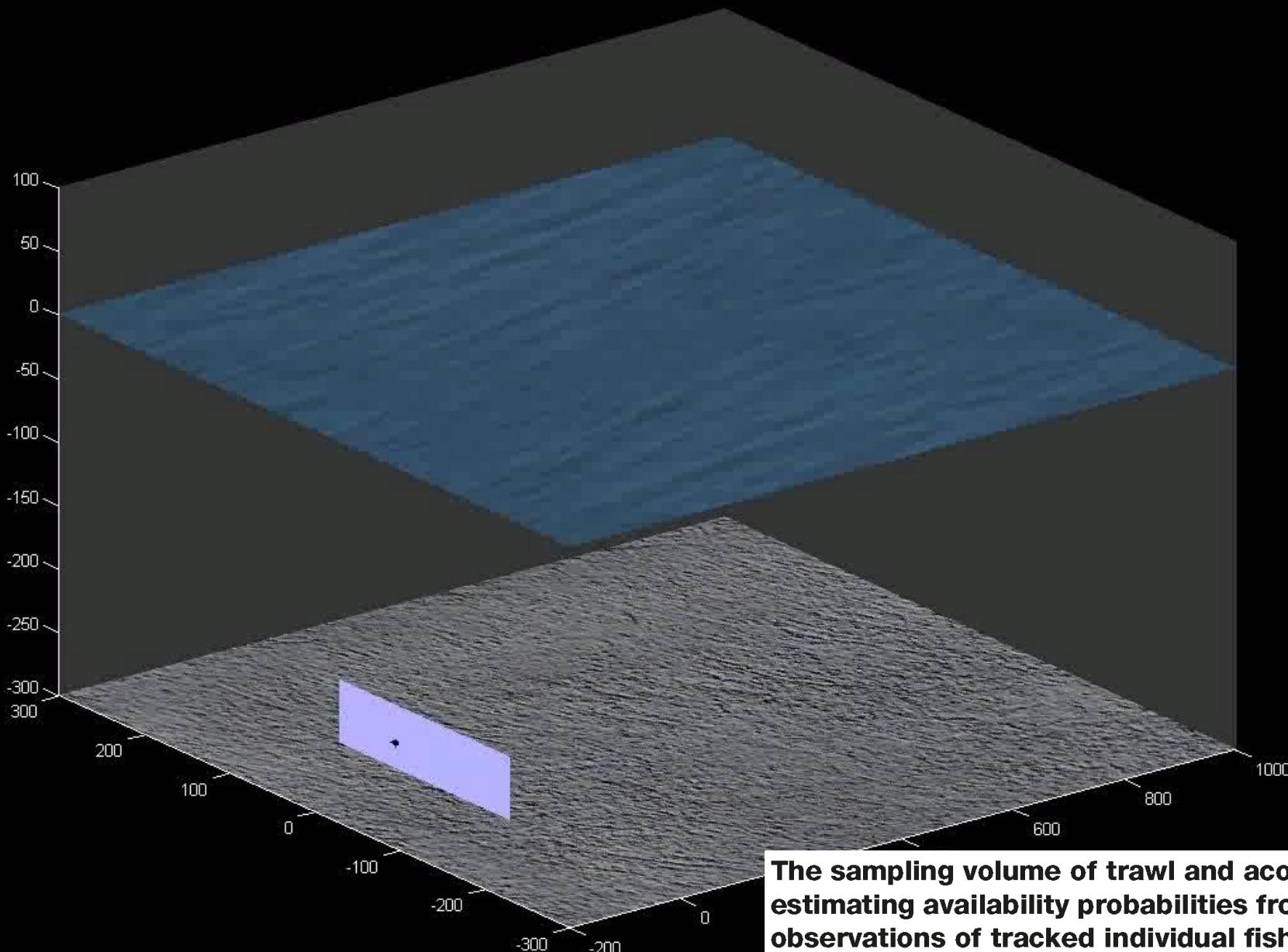


When fish meet a trawling vessel: examining the behaviour of gadoids using a free-floating buoy and acoustic split-beam tracking

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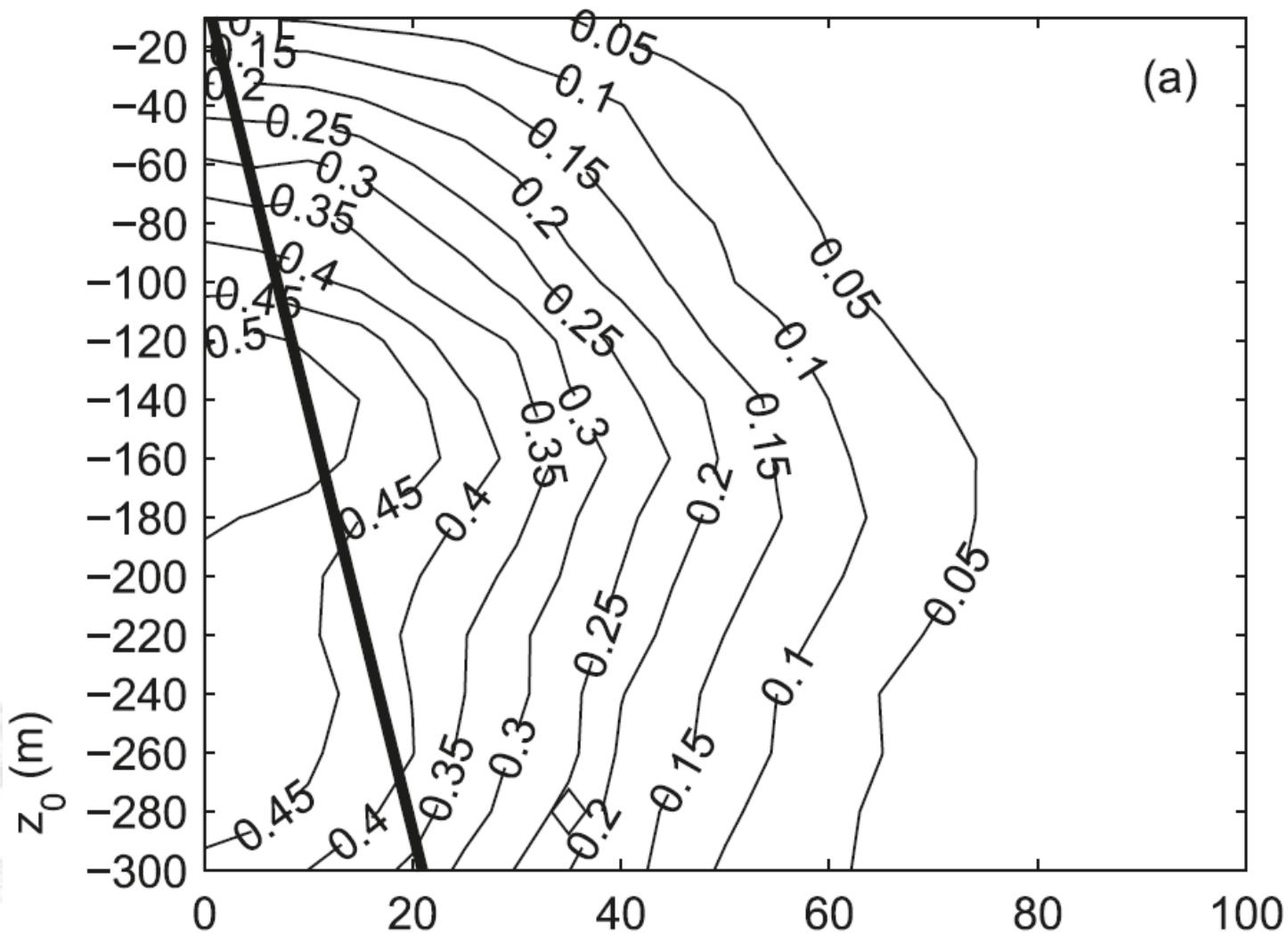


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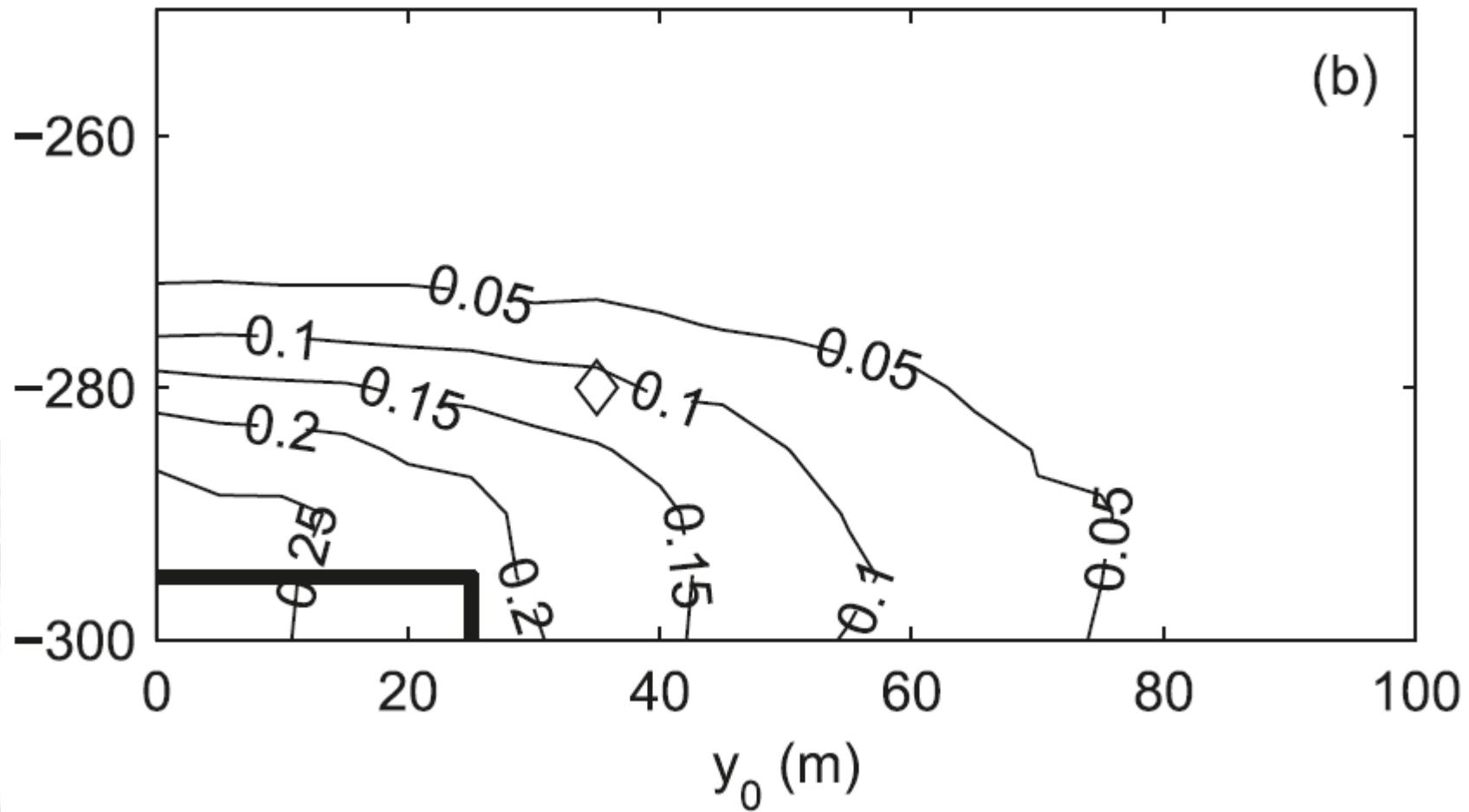
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P(within echo beam)



P(available to trawl)



Avoidance

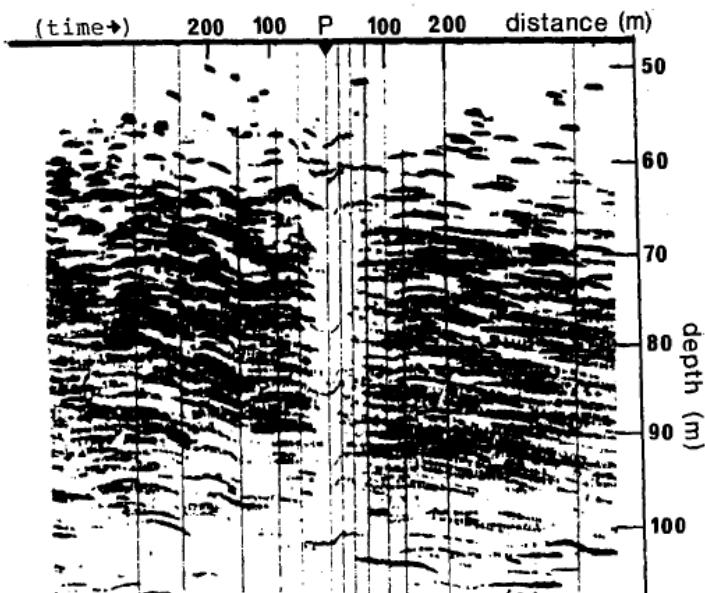
OBSERVED FISH REACTIONS TO A SURVEYING VESSEL WITH SPECIAL
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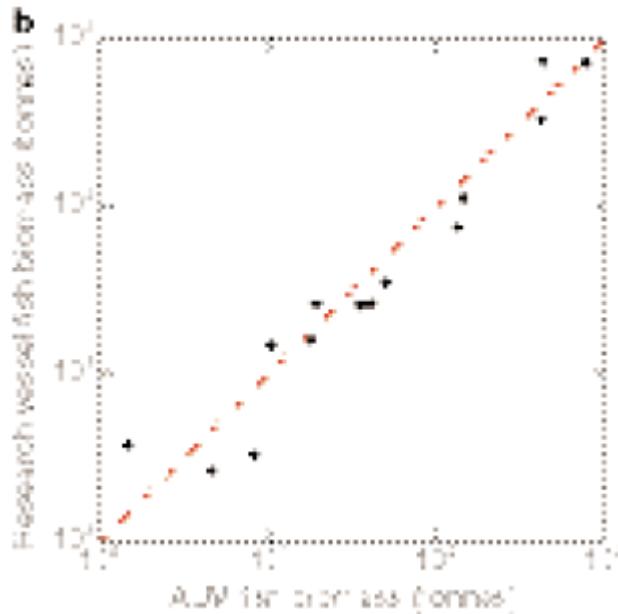
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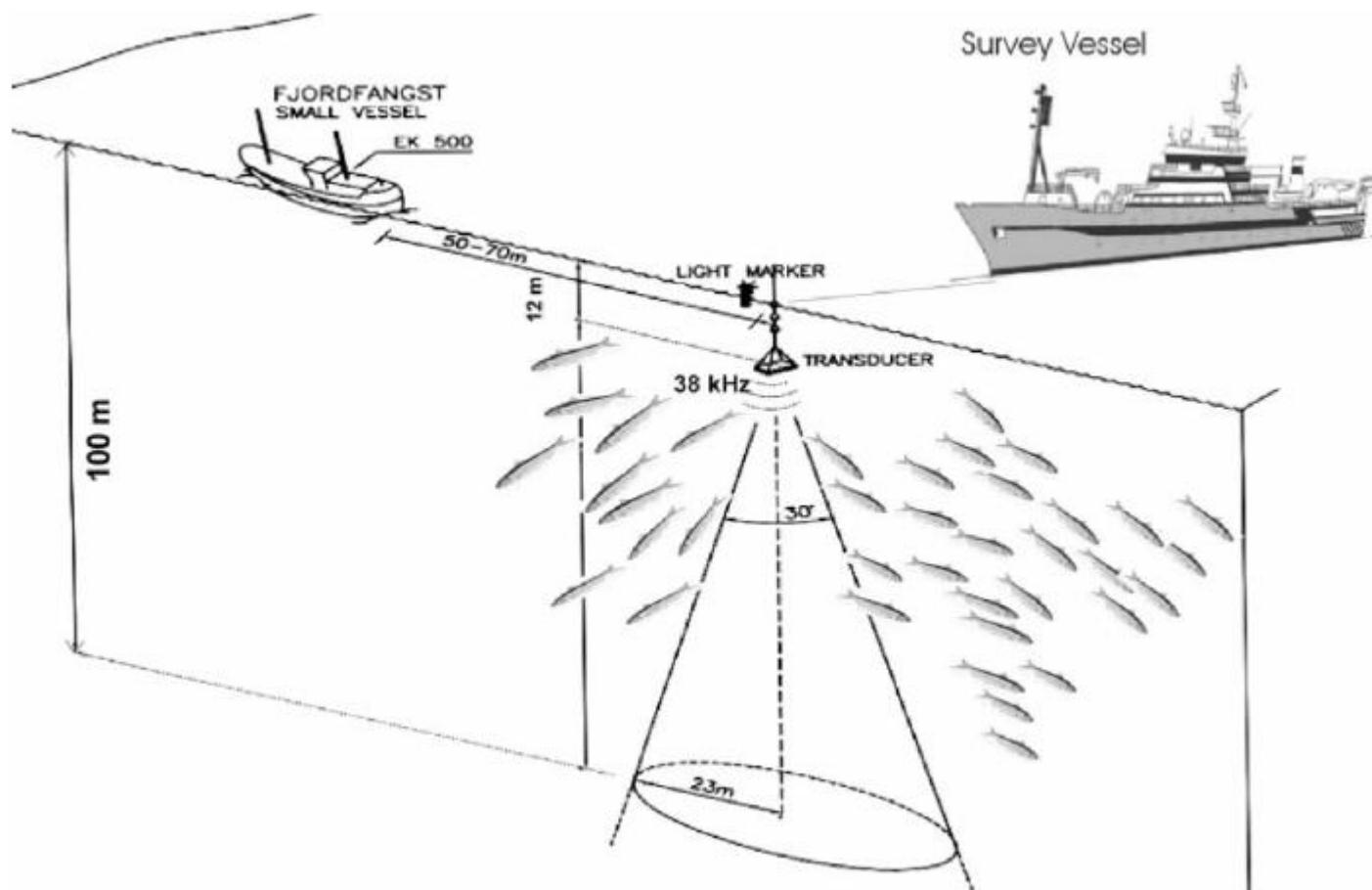
Fish do not avoid survey vessels

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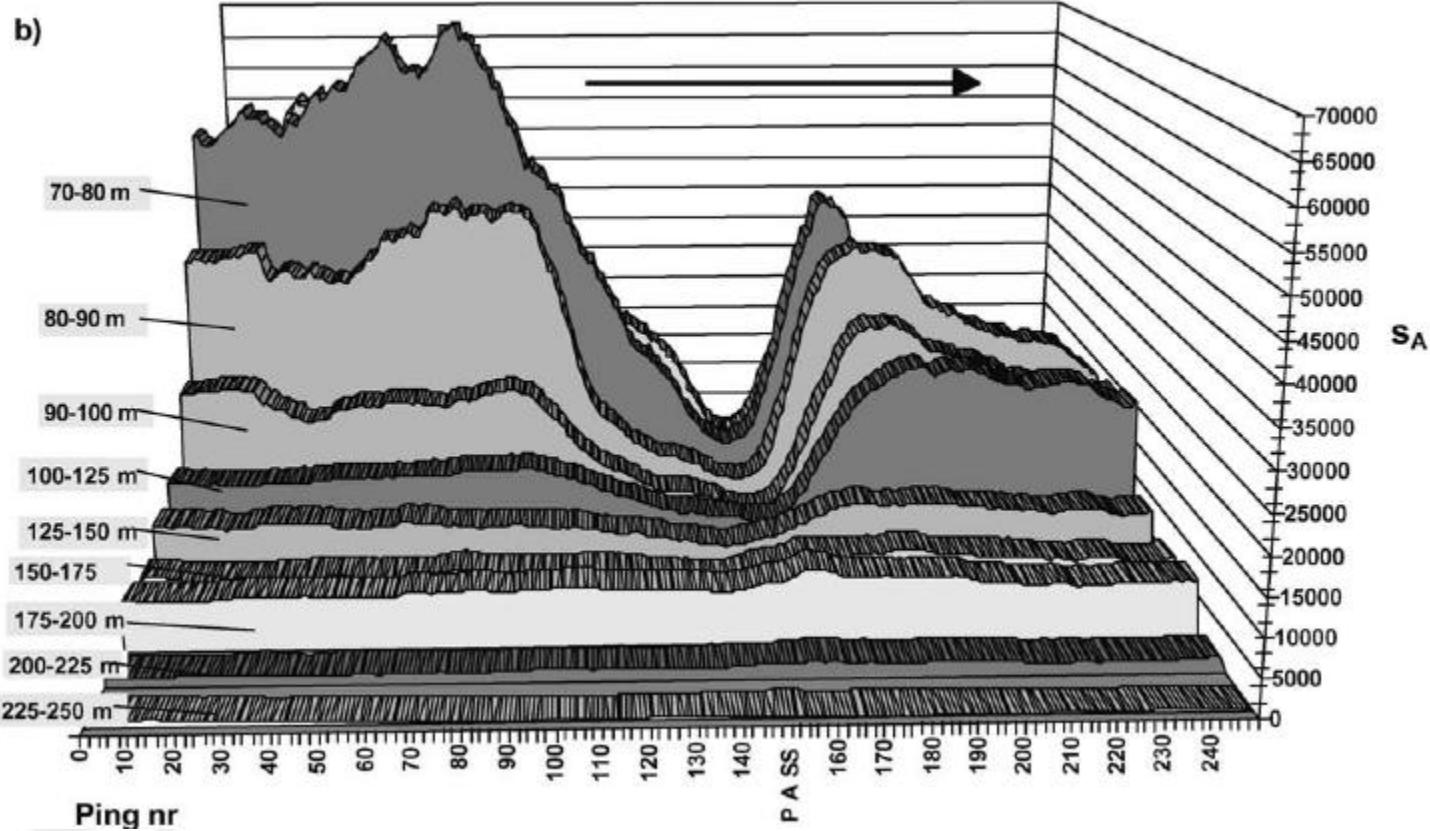


Avoidance



Vabø et al. (2001)

Avoidance



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- Noise reduced vessel seemed to help
- Recommended by ICES

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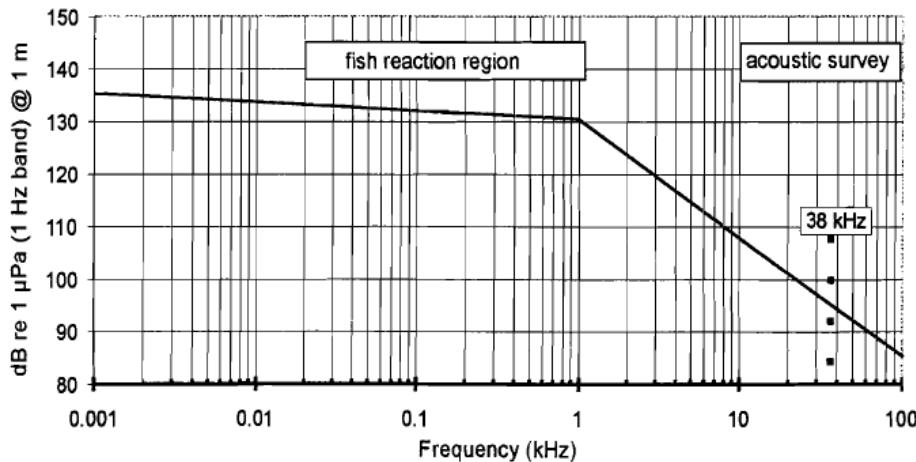
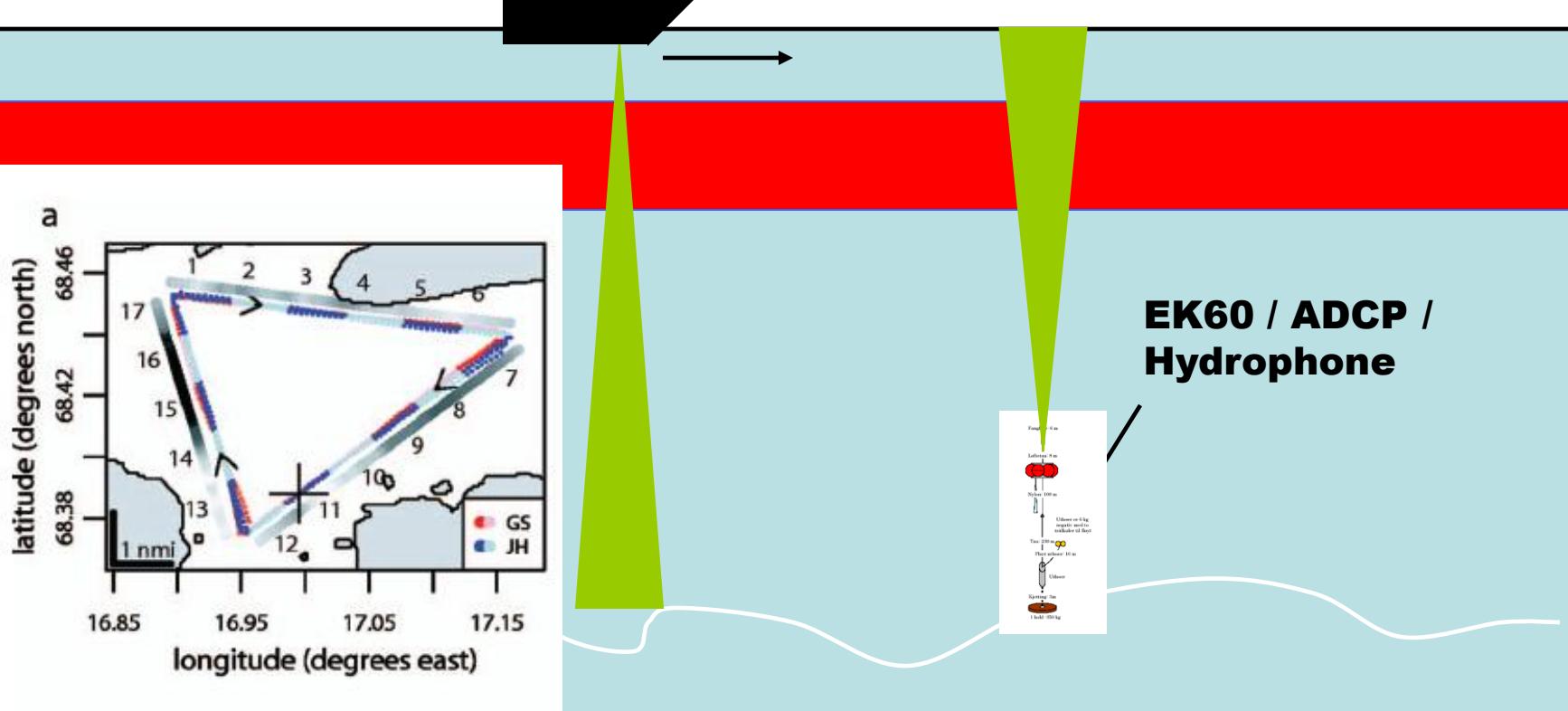
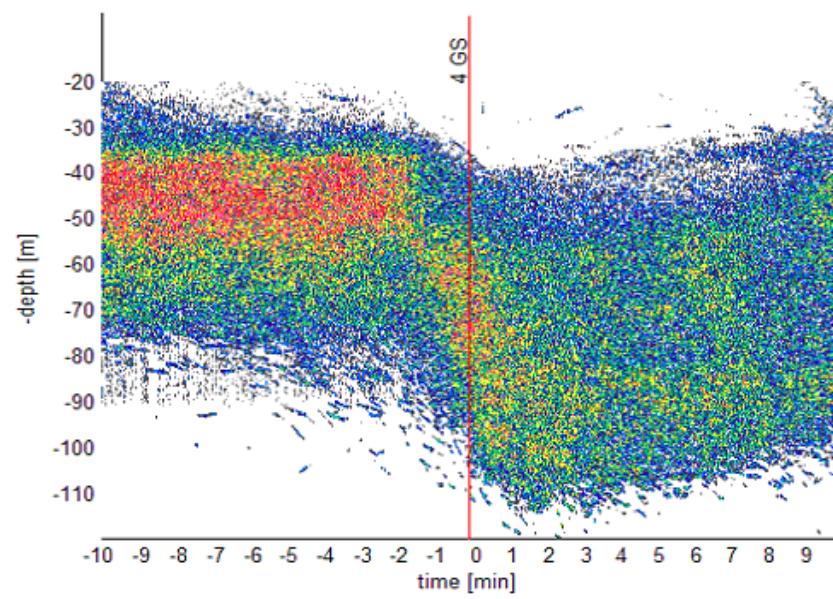
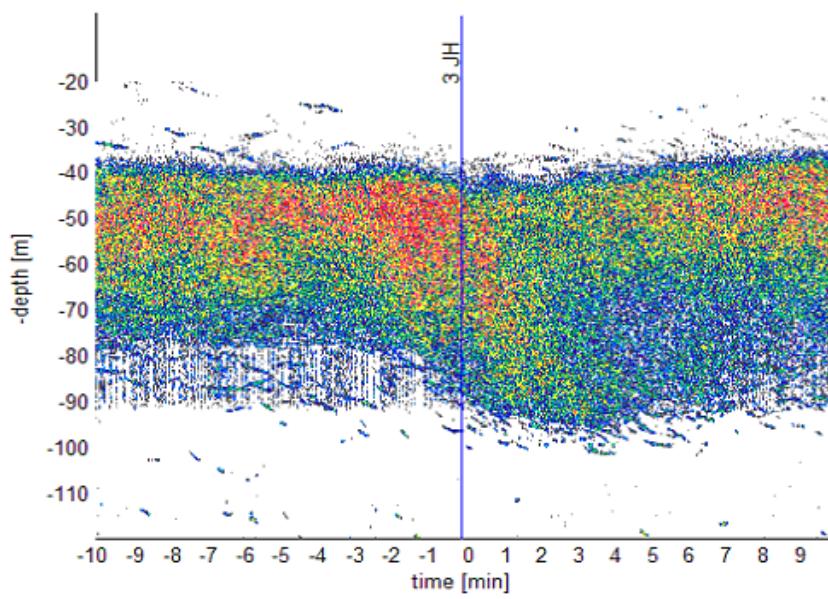
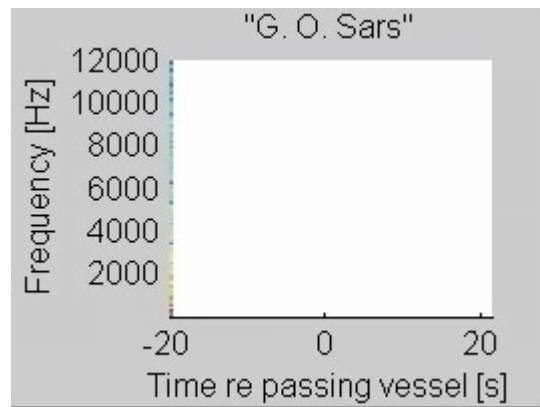
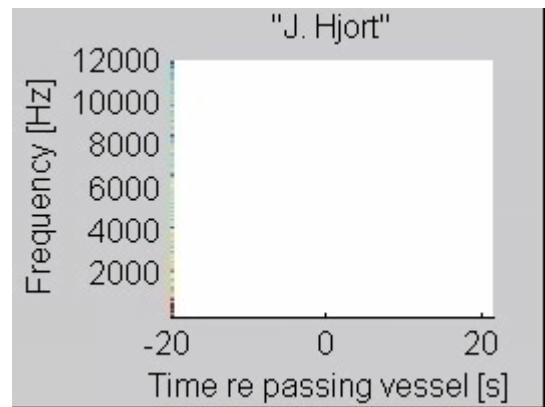


Figure 22. Proposed underwater radiated noise specification at 11 knots free-running for all vessels used in fisheries research.

Avoidance

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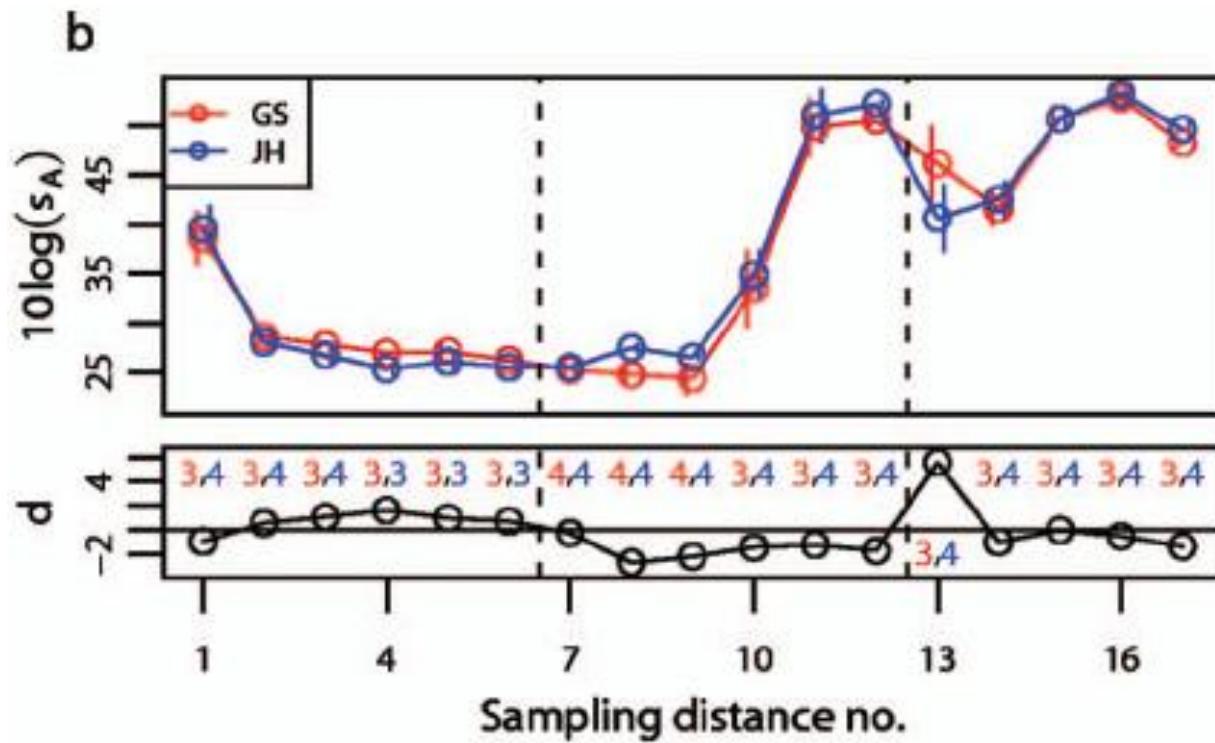
Silent research vessels are not quiet

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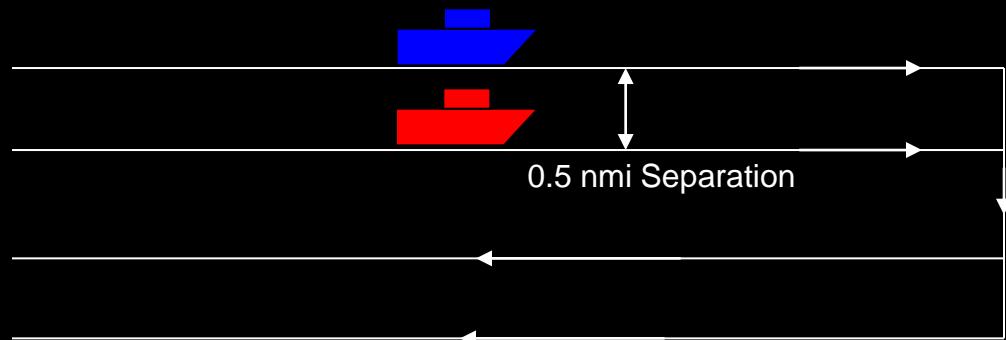
Vessel comparisons



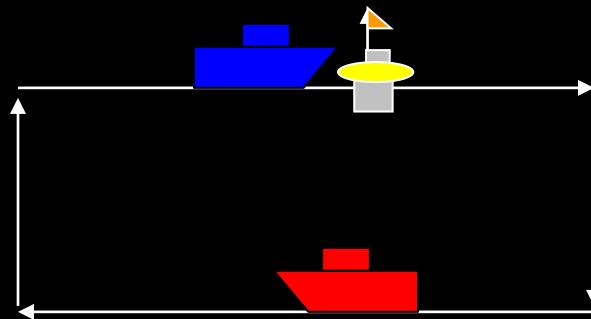
- End of story?...

NOAA Fisheries vessel comparison

Side by side
(entire survey)



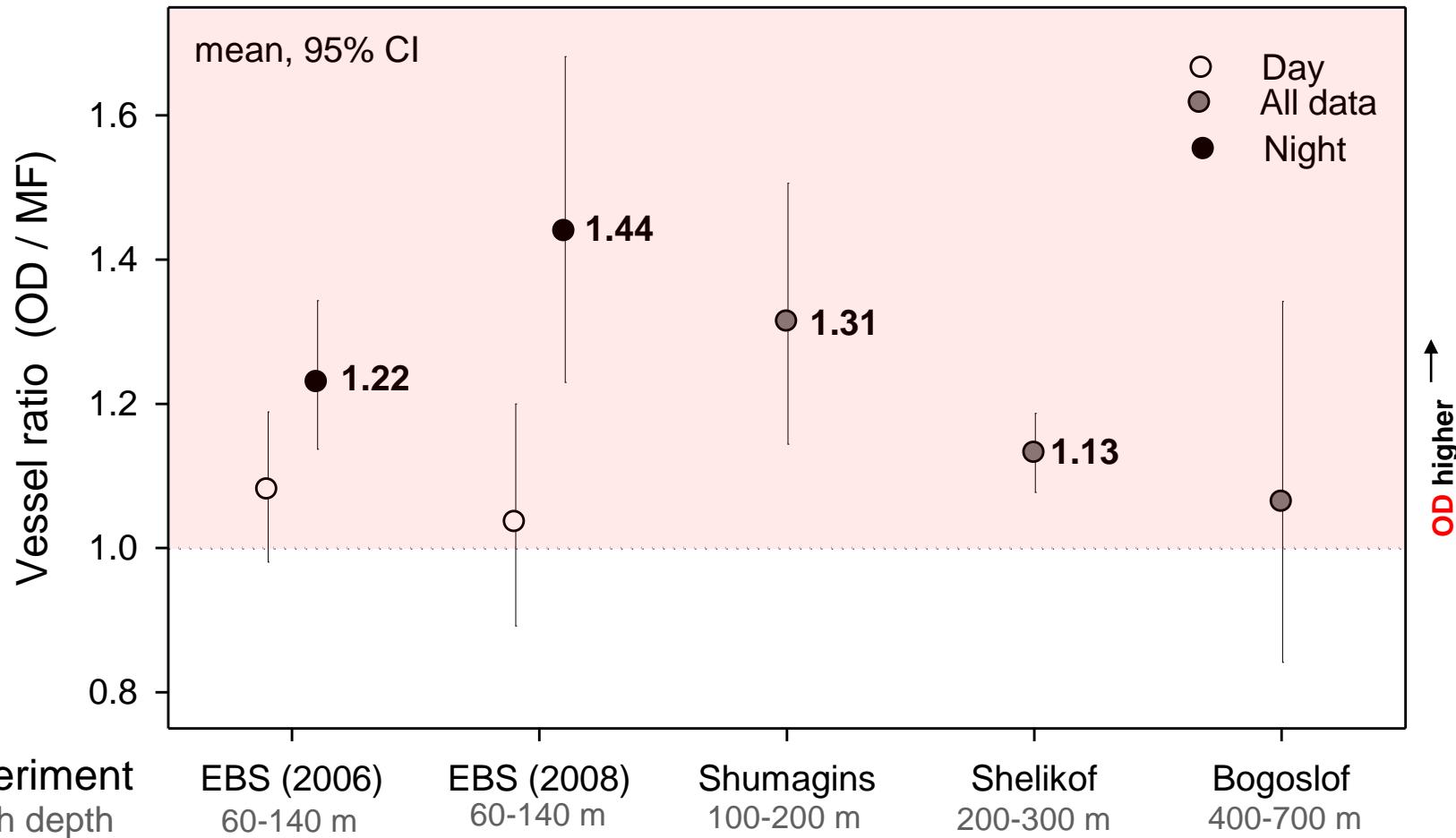
Echosounder buoy



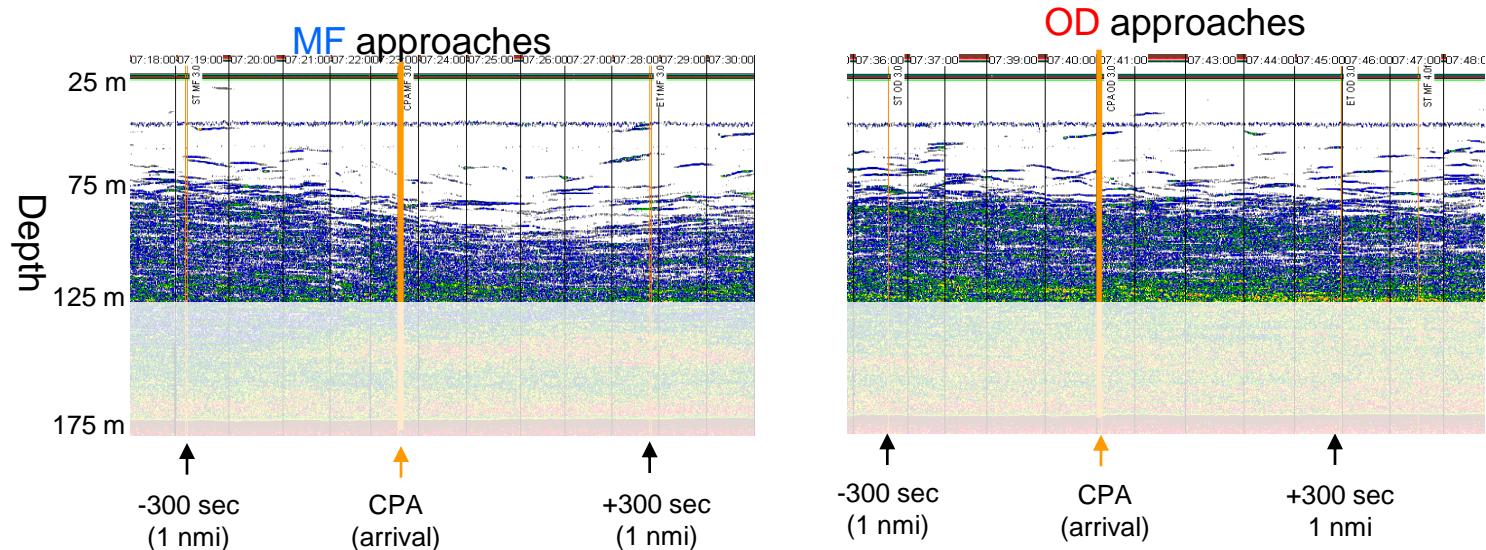
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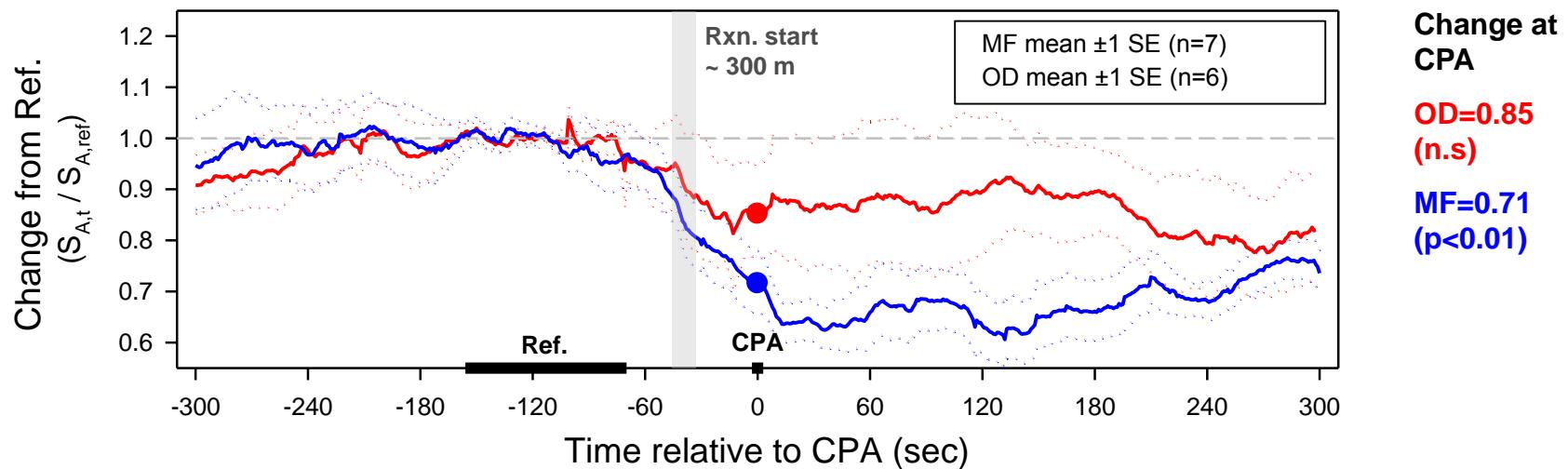
Side-by-side vessel backscatter ratio (OD/MF)



Buoy confirmation: pollock react differentially to OD and MF (Sh)

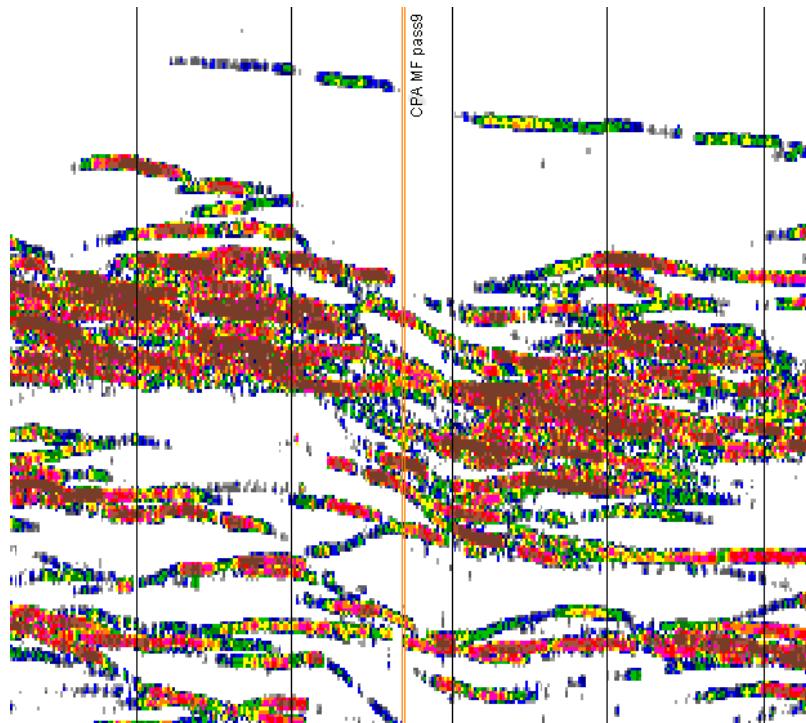


Average change in backscatter relative to undisturbed (upper 125 m)



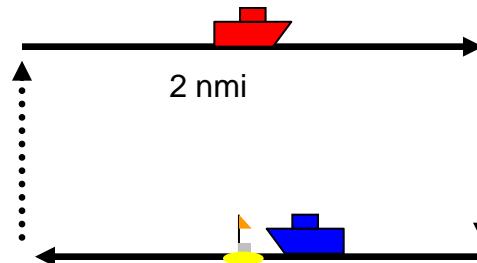
TS drops during vessel reaction: OD TS >> MF TS

Buoy Echosounder

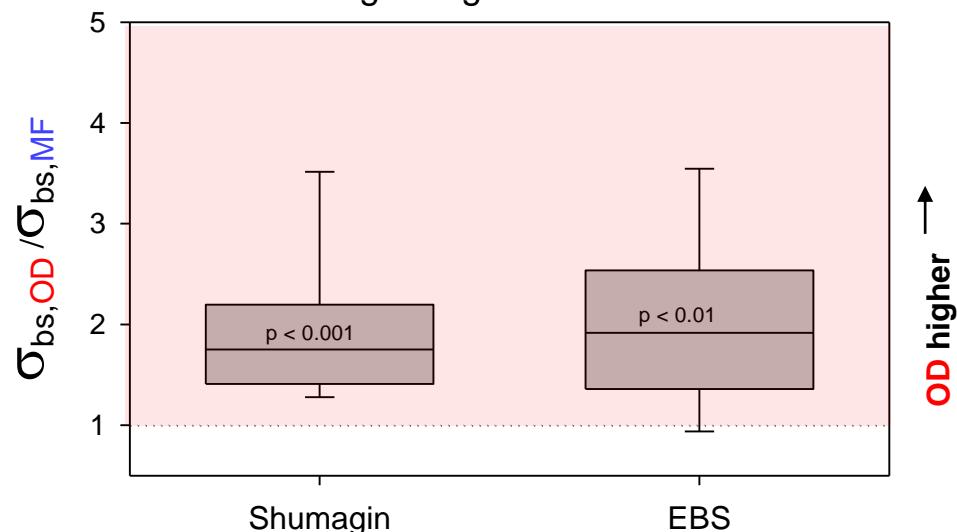


TS drop during MF passag
(40 log R echogram)

Vessel Echosounders



Single targets - 18 kHz



Avoidance

- Nature of vessel stimuli and fish responses remain poorly understood
- Expect vessel differences
- Measurement of vessel avoidance is much easier than predicting fish decision-making
- Observe bias indicators on a routine basis:
 - Vertical distribution, avoidance, gear performance
- This is also relevant when using survey indices!

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Exploiting bandwidth From individual to population

Herring behaviour at sub
population scale
Makris et al. 2009

Krill behaviour at cm scale
Klevjer & Kaartvedt, University of
Oslo.

Formation and Migration of Herring Shoals on October 3, 2006

