

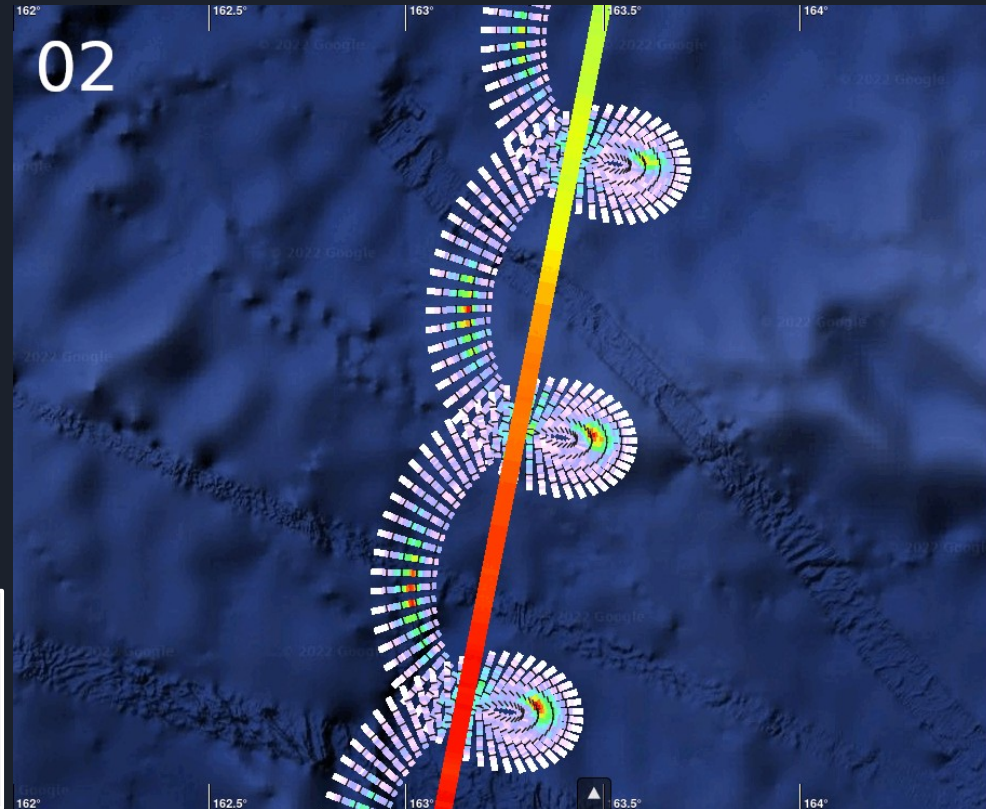
# Besoins pour la validation des missions existantes (Sentinel-1 / SWIM / SWOT) et futures (Harmony, Sentinel-3 Next Gen)

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# SWIM instrument franco-chinois lancé en Oct 2018

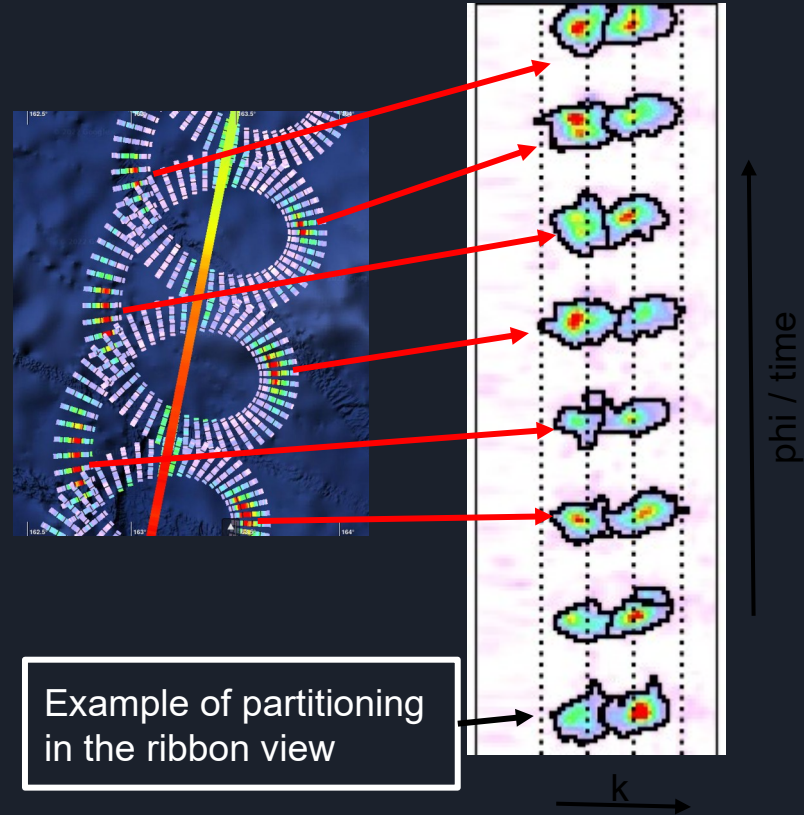
- SWIM (Surface Wave Investigation and Monitoring) measures the ocean surface wave related modulations in Ku band using a rotating instrument
- In nominal macrocycle mode, it provides a directional 1D wave spectra
  - every  $\sim 7$  degrees
  - for each of its 5 beams at 2, 4, 6, 8, and  $10^\circ$  incidence angle
  - resulting in a very special cycloid ground footprint geometry.

Example of 1D raw fluctuation spectra projected over range footprint  
With nadir Hs



# SWIM L2S product overview (IWWOC Ifremer processing center)

- L2S product is a L2 like product with the following features:
  - wave spectra partitioning along the continuous cycloid (“ribbon view”)
  - speckle correction based on a learned look-up table
  - empirical MTF (work in progress shown by Gilles and Manuel)
  - all beams including 2 et 4 degrees beams (no onboard range migration)
  - includes variables of interest : sigma0, raw spectra, nadir variables, ancillary data
- First public release in early 2022 (version v1.0):
  - HTTP access:  
[https://data-cersat.ifremer.fr/projects/iwwoc/swi\\_l2s/](https://data-cersat.ifremer.fr/projects/iwwoc/swi_l2s/)
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  - processed in short delayed time (< 2 days)

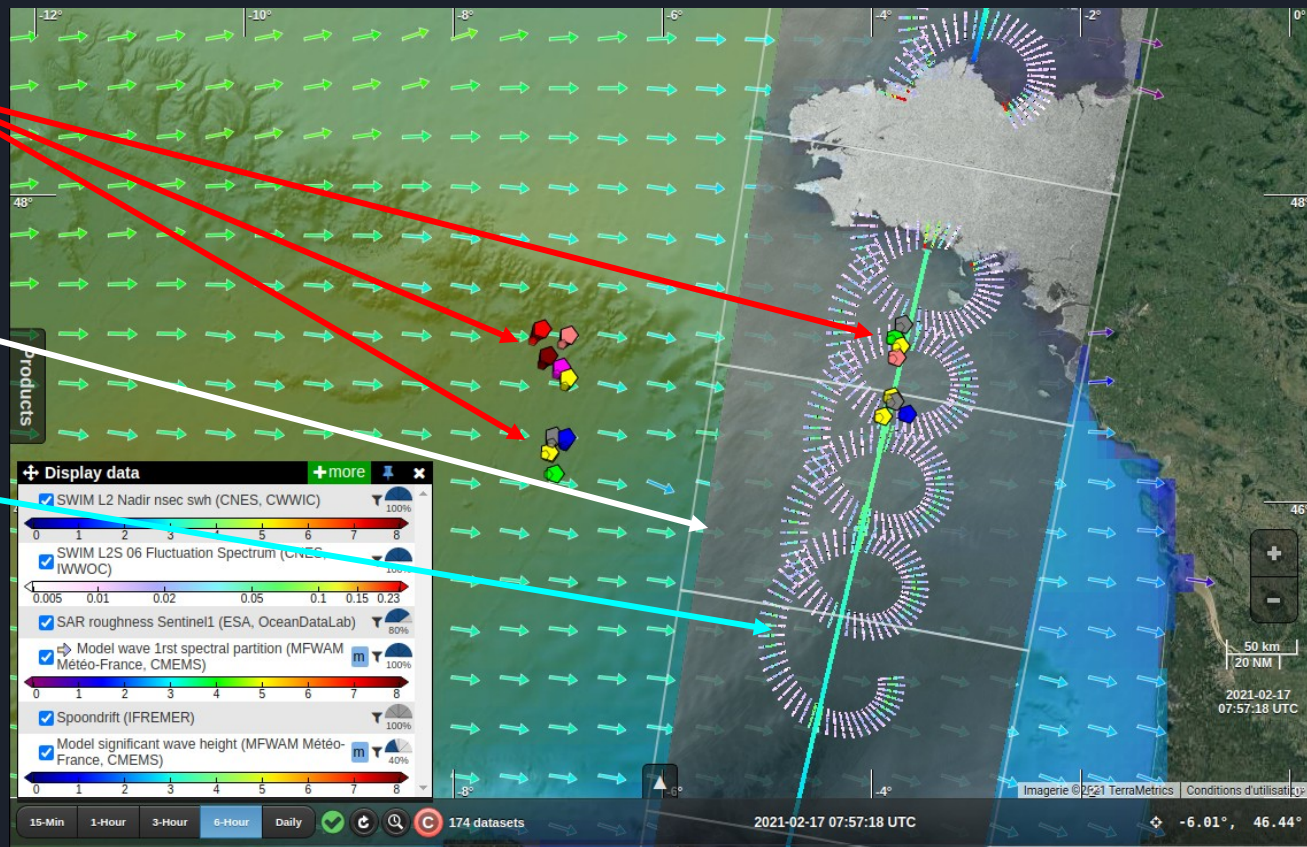


# Dir. wave spectra comparisons : SUMOS validation campaign

Spotter directional wave drifters

Sentinel-1 A/B SAR

CFOSAT SWIM



# Directional wave spectra observations

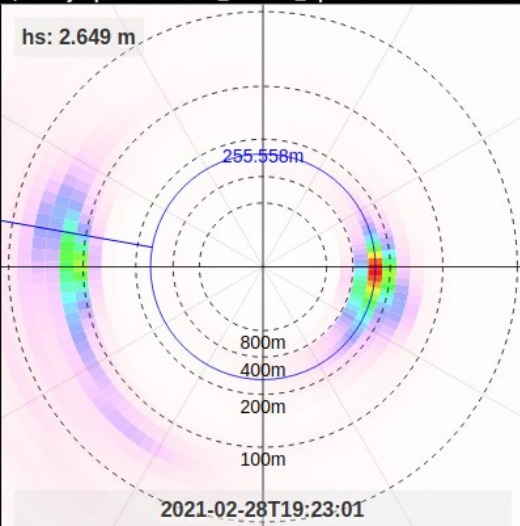
SWIM L2S spectra are derived after a wind dependant speckle correction (see Nouguié & al. presentation) and an empirical MTF based on massive comparison between observed and modeled spectra.

SAR 2D spectra are retrieved after a quasi non-linear inversion of RAR and SAR MTF (following Sentinel-1 L2 OSW retrieval scheme)

**In situ SPOTTER 2D wave spectra are reconstructed from spectral moments  $a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2$  using the MEM method (e.g. Lygre and Krogstad, 1986, specifically their equation 13). These are considered as the reference spectra.**

# 28 Feb 2021 7pm : Opposing Wind Sea and Swell

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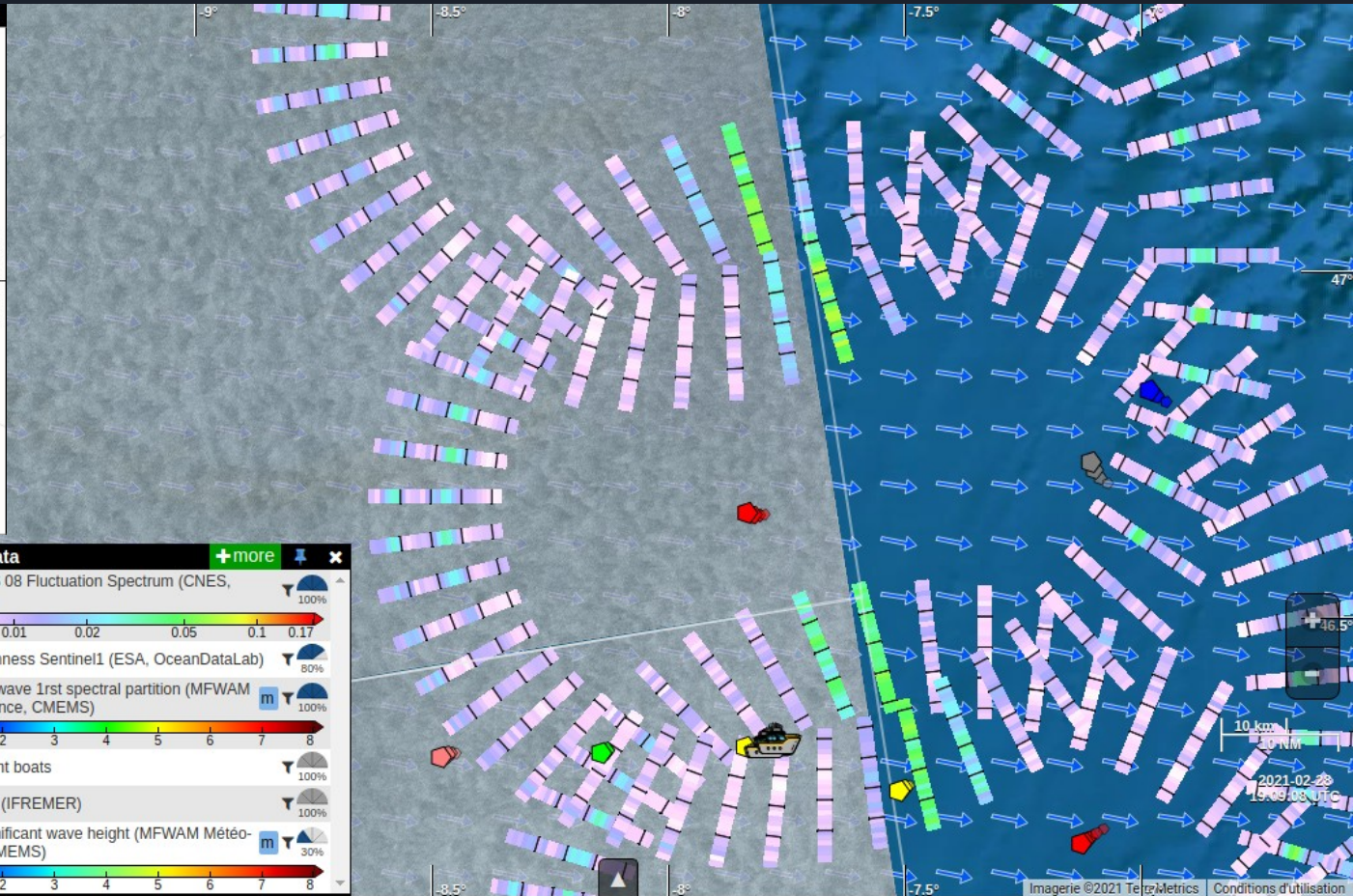
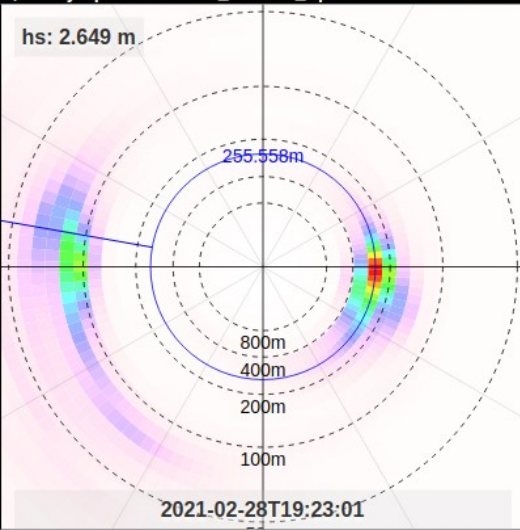
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Buoy Spectrum: 3857\_SUMOS\_Spoondrift-SPOT...



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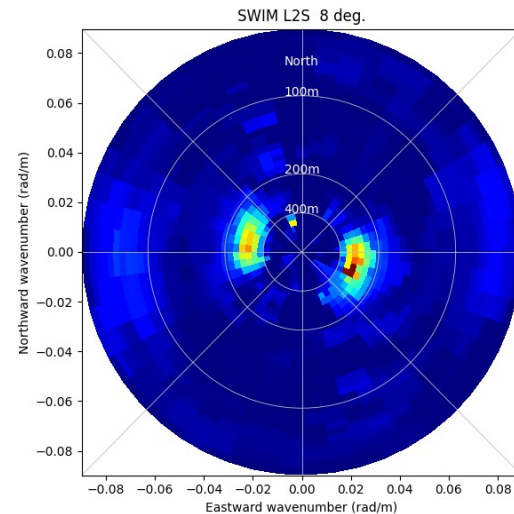
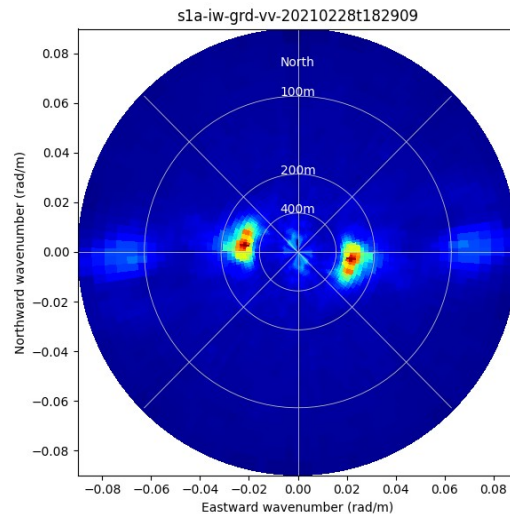
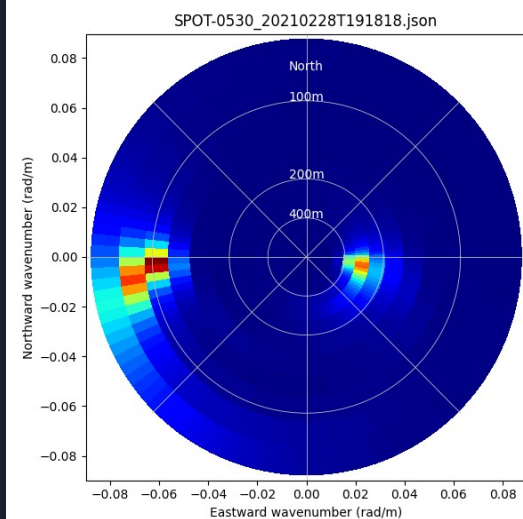
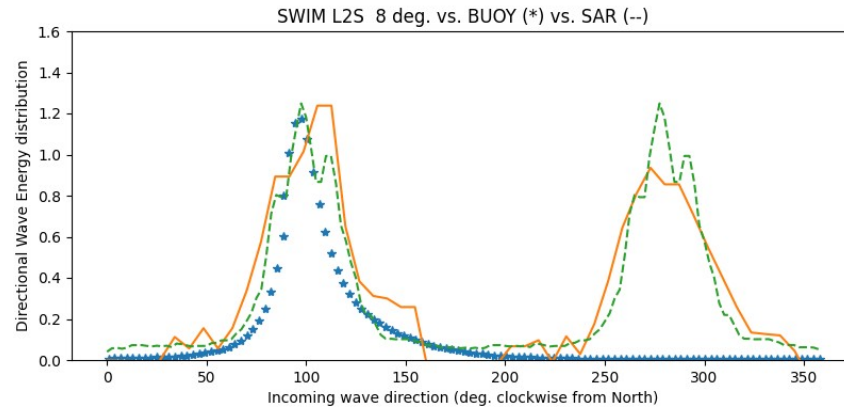
## SWIM 8° beam

Directional spread : swell 285m

BUOY : 22°

SAR : 40°

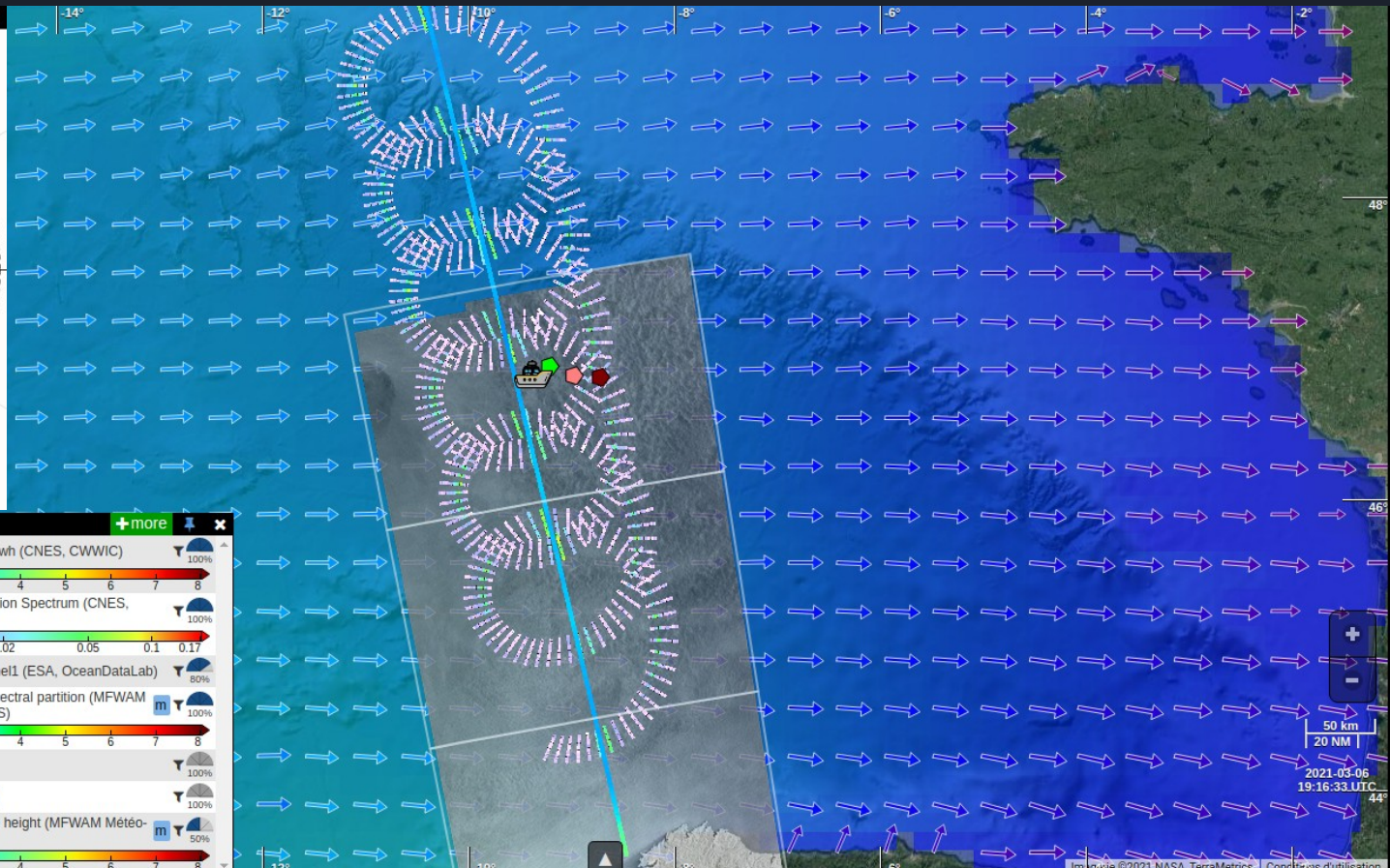
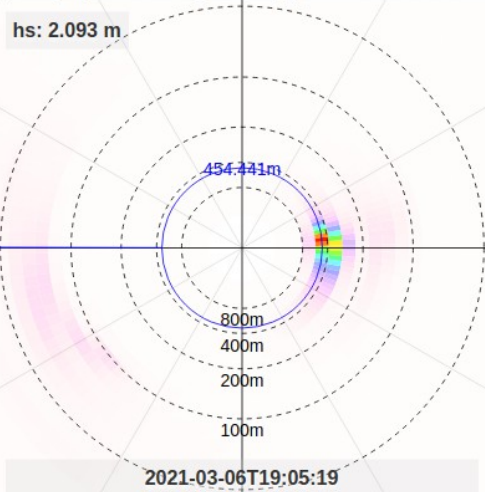
SWIM : 44°





# March 6 2021 7pm : Long western Swell

+ Buoy Spectrum: 3857\_SUMOS\_Spoondrift-SPOT0...



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15-Min 1-Hour 3-Hour 6-Hour Daily 66 datasets

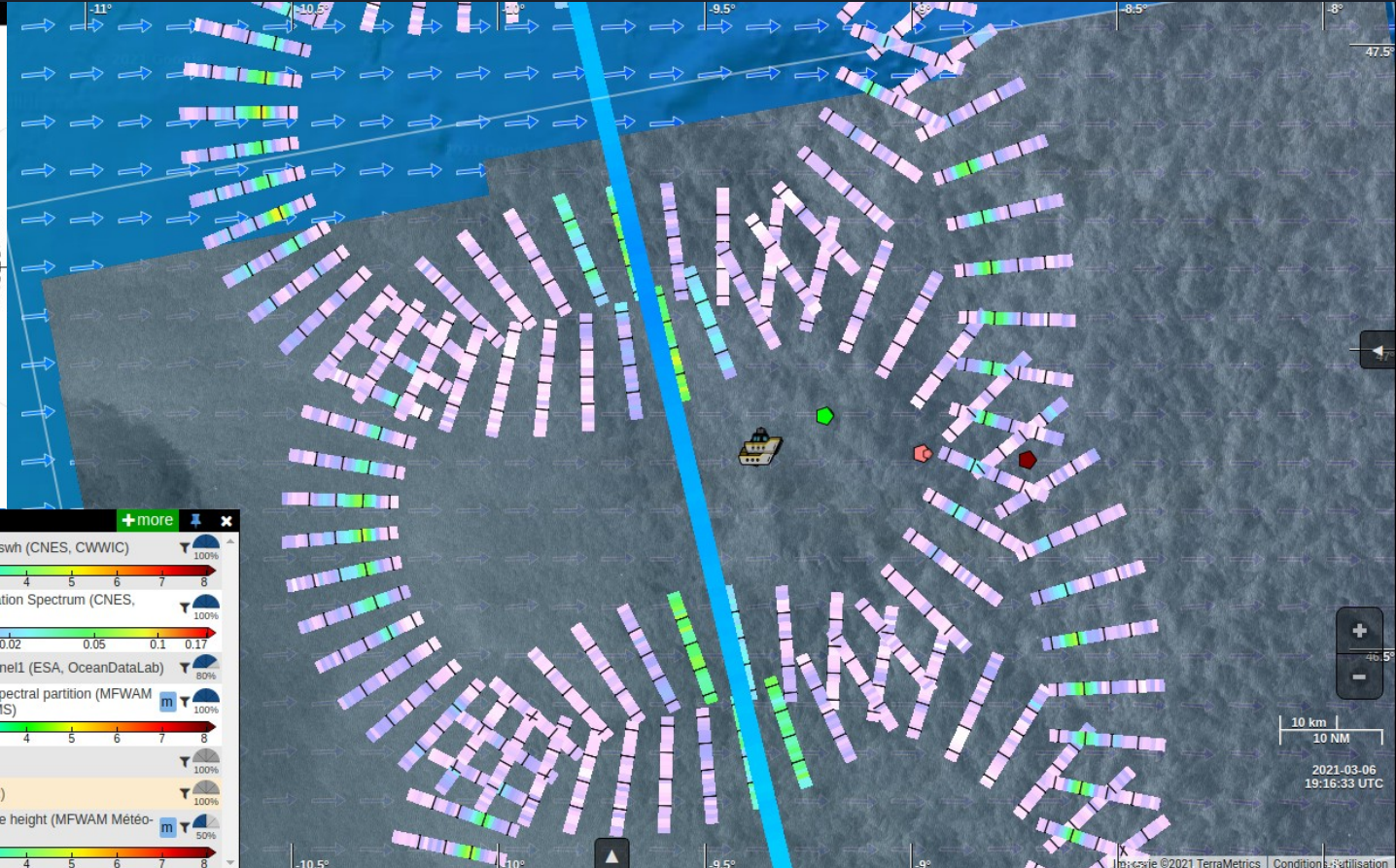
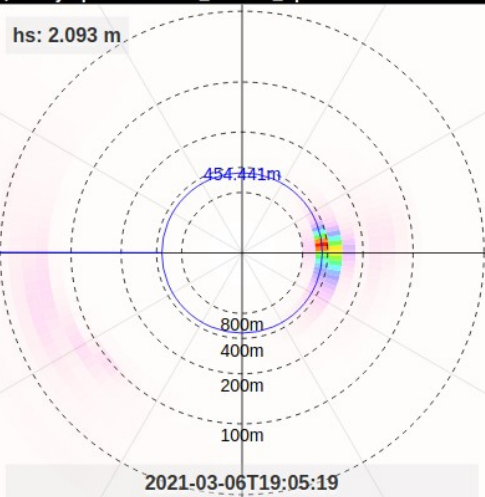
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-8.66°, 46.19°

# March 6 2021 7pm : Long western Swell

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hs: 2.093 m

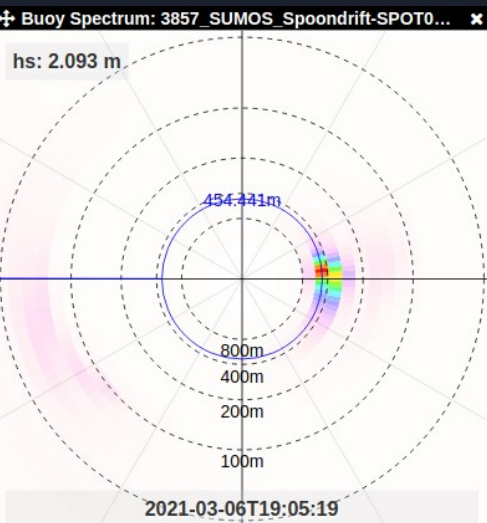


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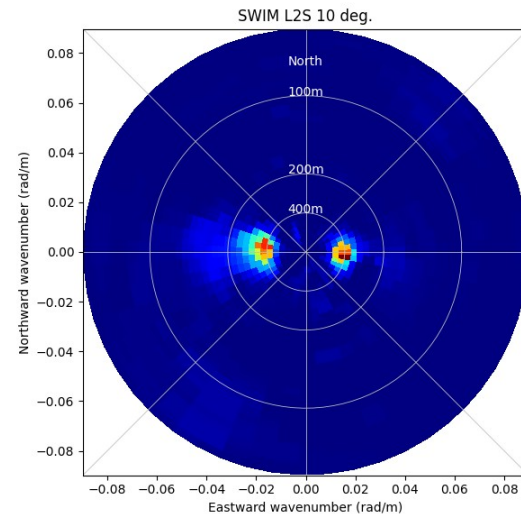
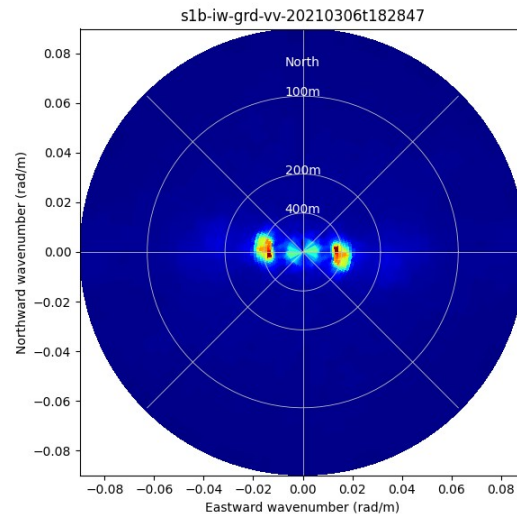
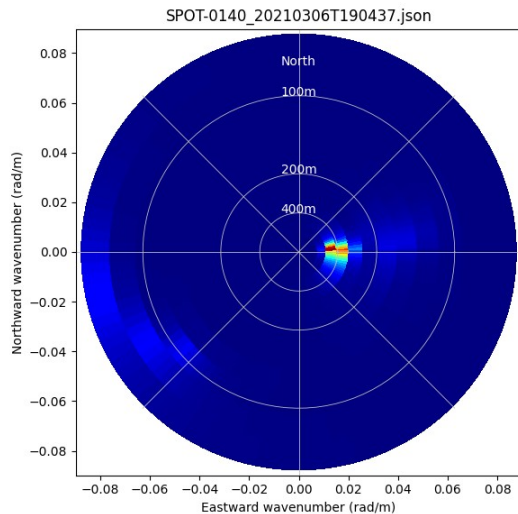
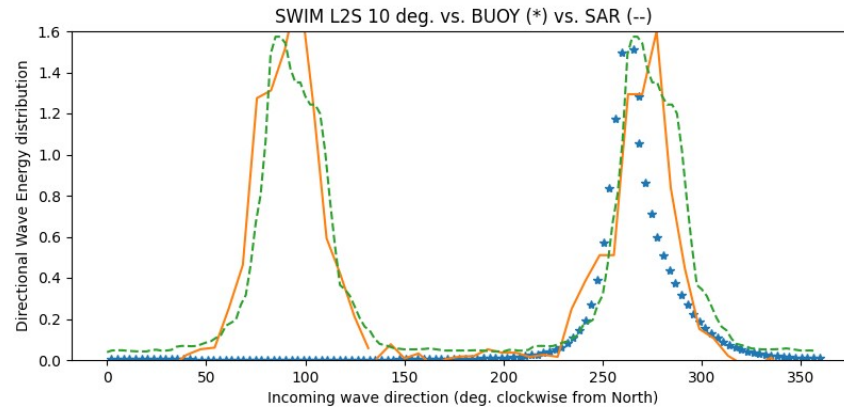
**SWIM 10° beam**

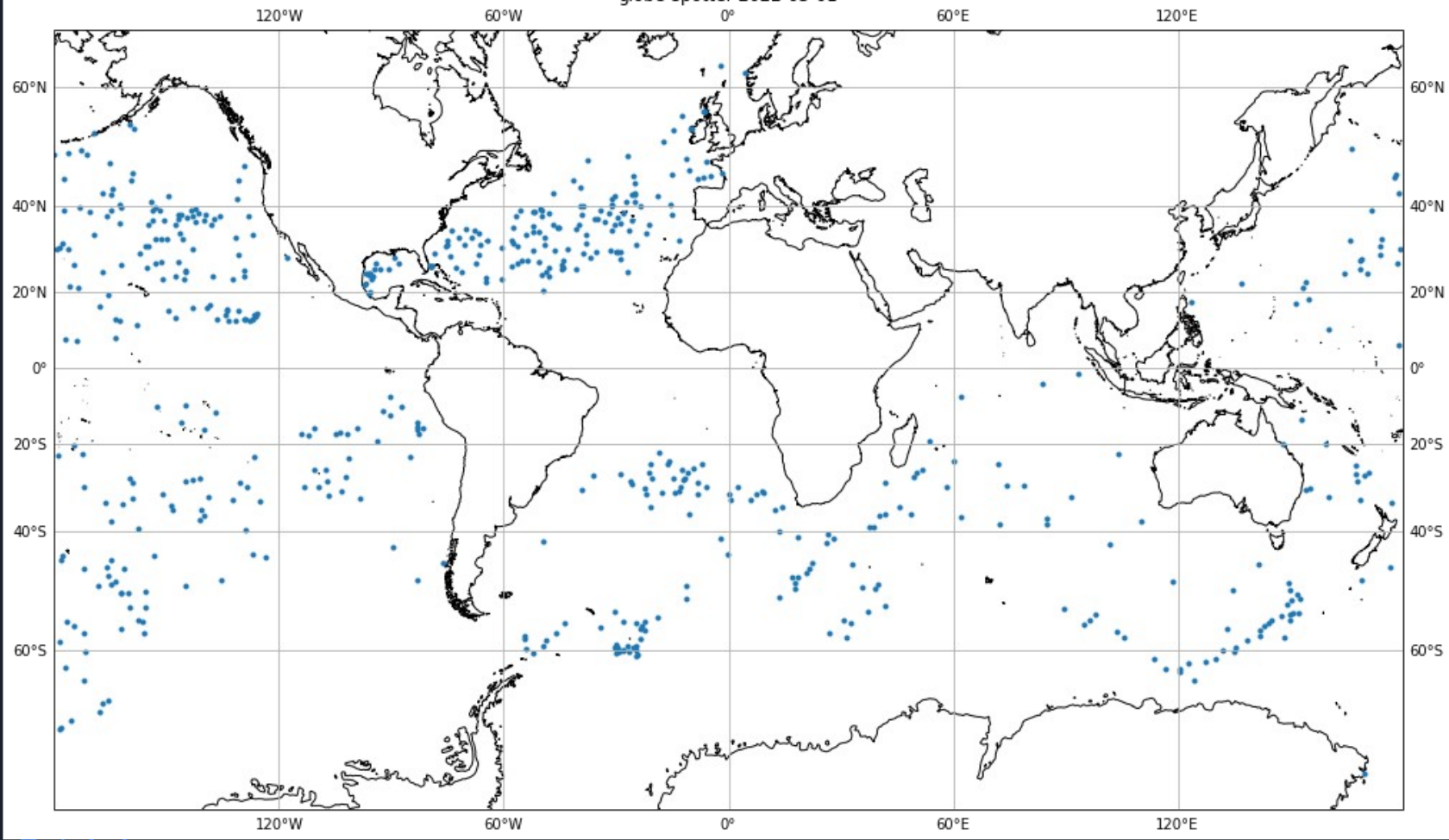
Directional spread : swell 440m

BUOY : 20°

SAR : 34°

SWIM : 30°

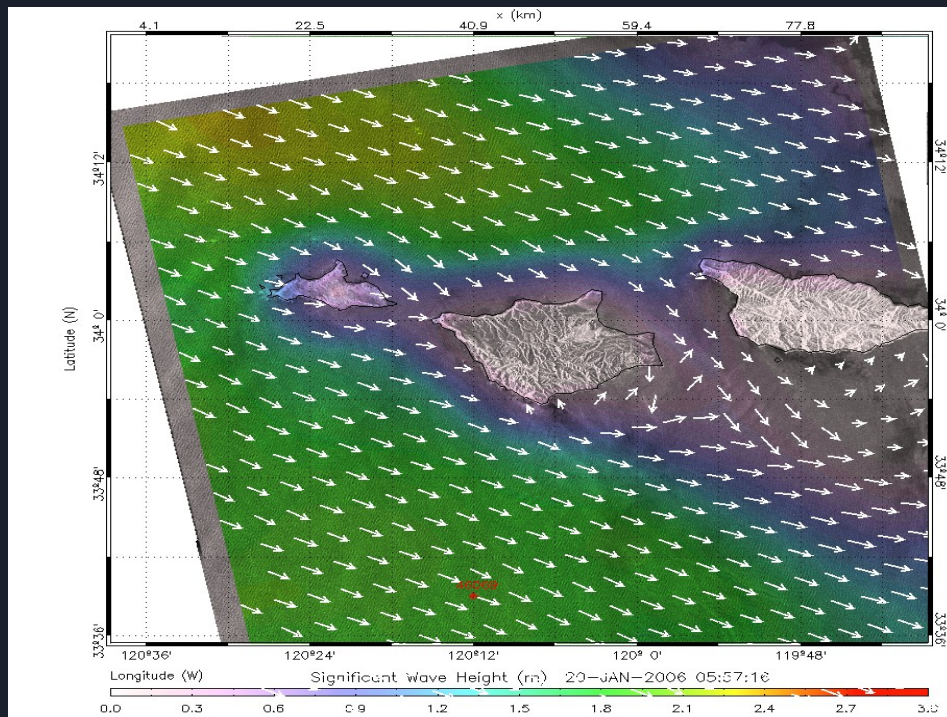
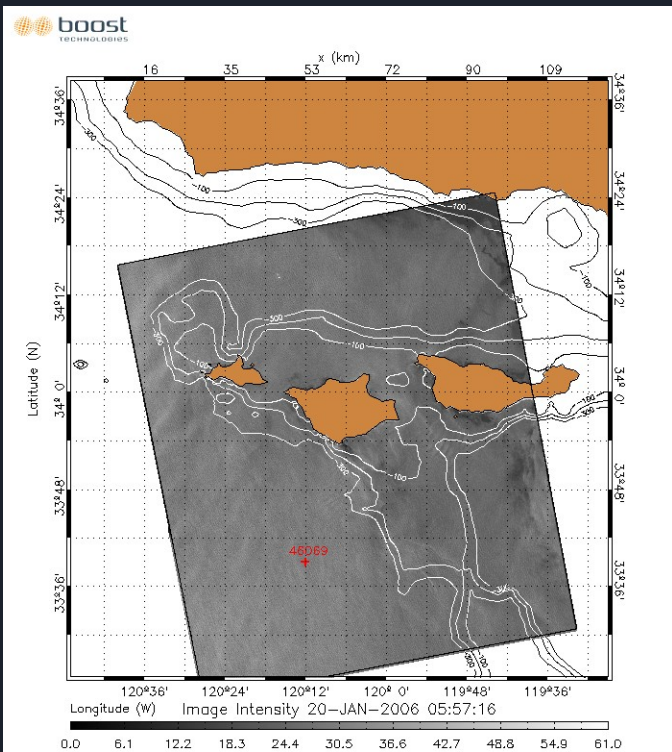




# Validation of SAR 2D wave spectra against anchored BUOYS

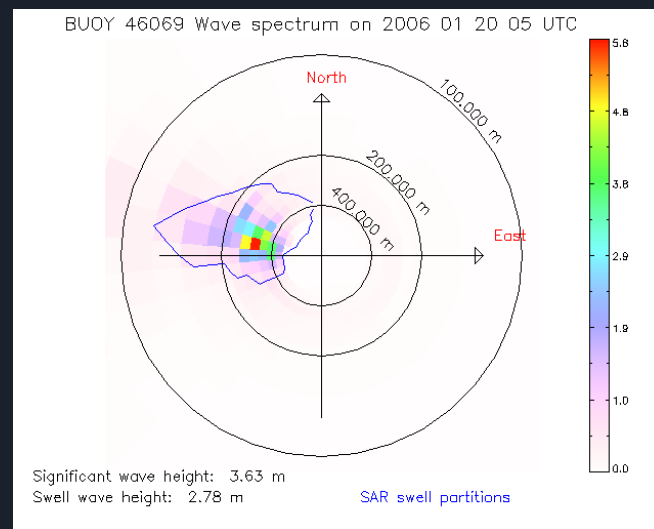
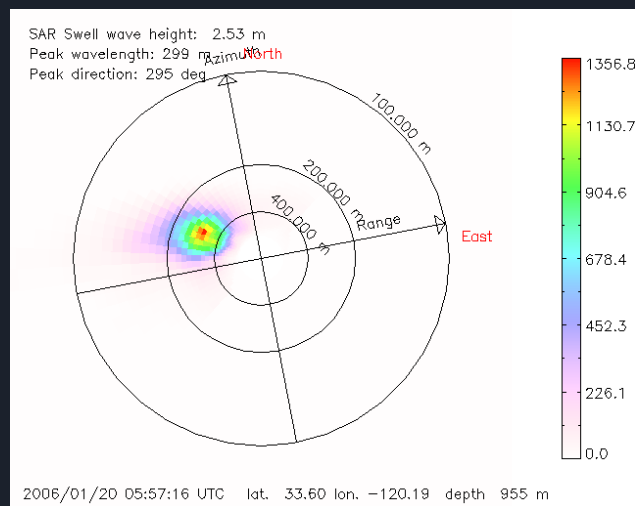
- Collection of 50 image mode and 35 wide swath single look complex image.
- Collection of collocated buoy directional spectra over deep and shallow water.
  - NDBC buoys : courtesy of NOAA
  - Datawell buoys in iroise sea and golfe Normand Breton : courtesy SHOM

# SAR image mode



# Buoy data preparation

- Maximum Entropy Method estimation
- SAR spectrum  
BUOY spectrum



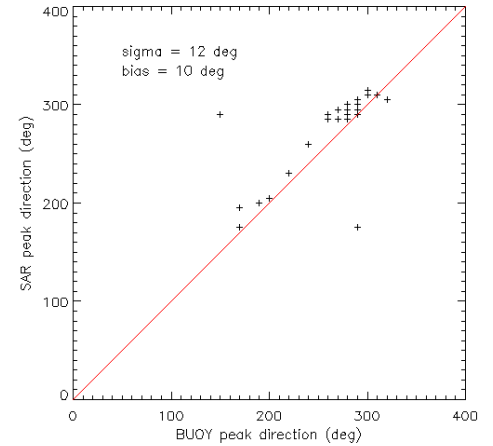
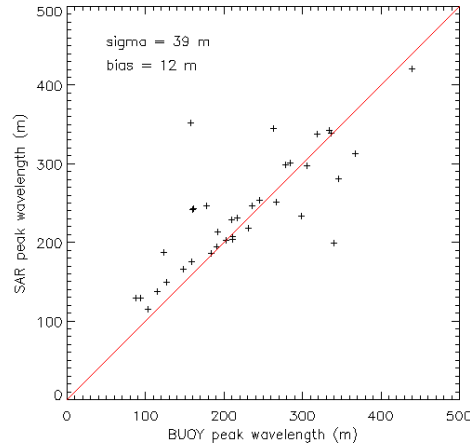
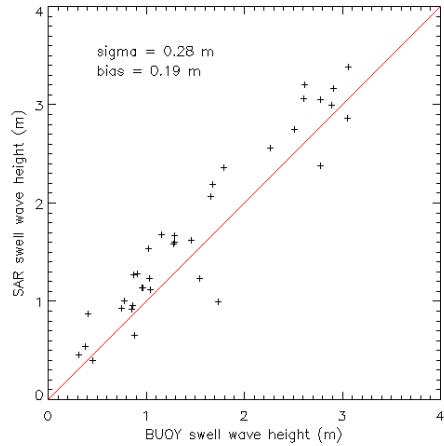


# Integrated parameters comparison

**Swell Hs**

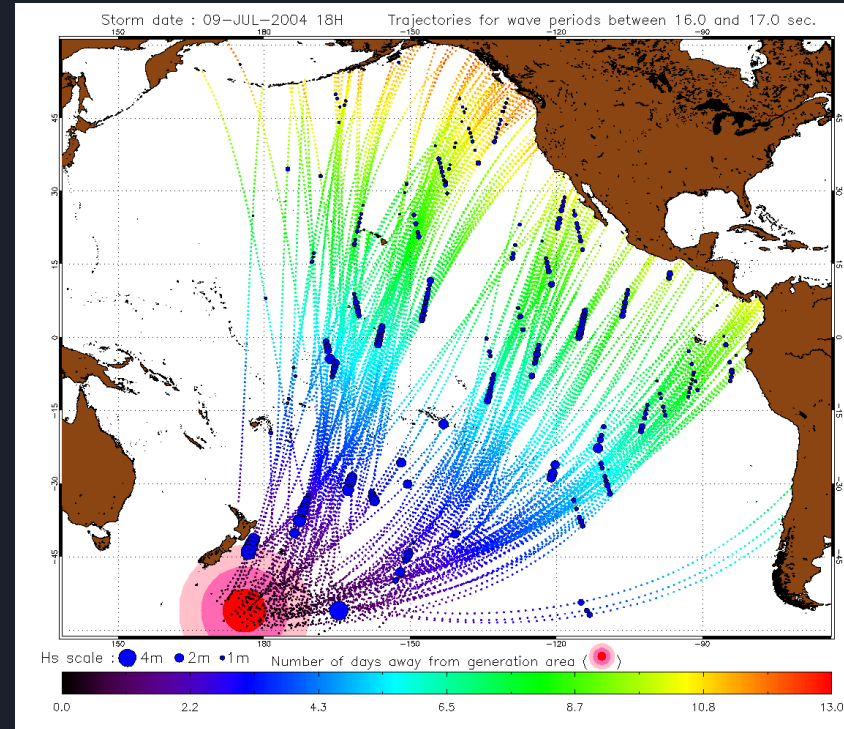
**Swell wavelength**

**Swell direction**

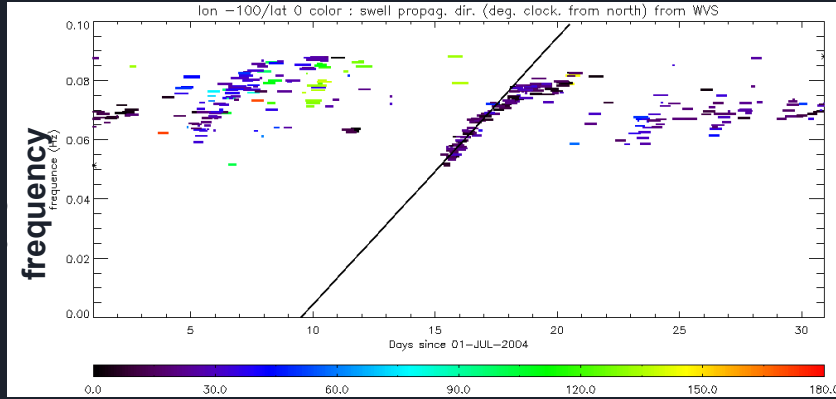


# SAR wave mode “Dynamic” validation

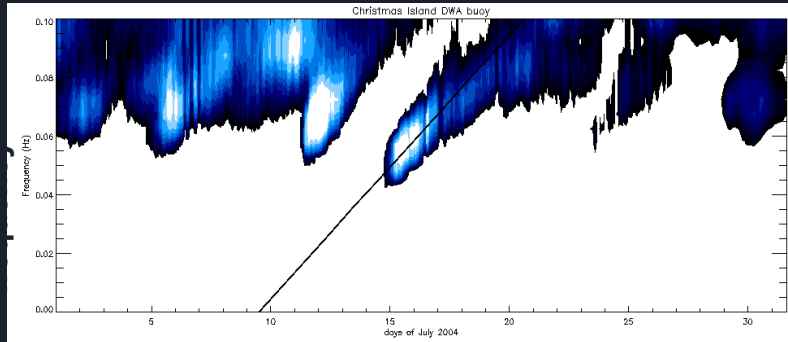
- Extraction of swell systems parameters from ENVISAT WAVE MODE level2 products.
- Backward propagation to identify the swell origin (Storm source)
- Identification of all swell observations relative to a given Storm source.
- Determination of the propagation path by forward and backward propagation between observations.



# Observed swell at a given location versus time (virtual buoy)



- Time-frequency diagram for one month at position longitude 100 °W and 0°N
- color indicates propagation direction.



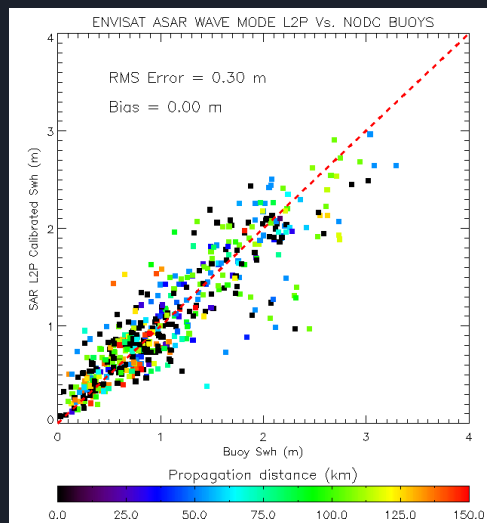
- diagram at the same position recorded at Christmas island buoy
- Time-frequency
- color indicates energy.

# GLOBWAVE Satellite vs In situ Matchup Database

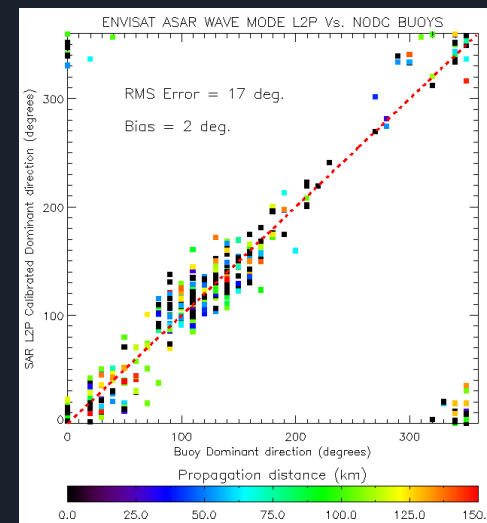
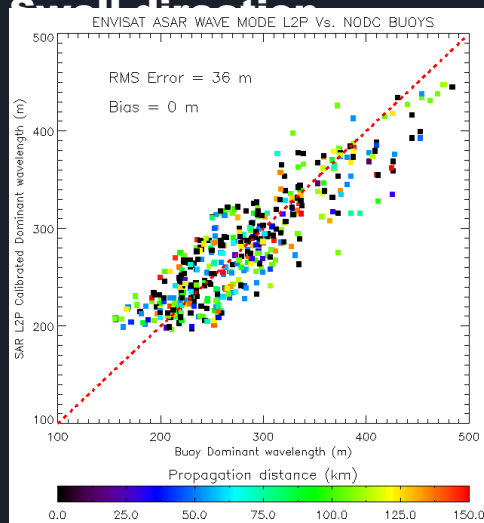


- A satellite vs. in situ matchup database has been constructed using a set of in situ data sources from POSEIDON/Puertos del Estado/NODC/UKMO/CDIP/MEDS

## Swell Hs



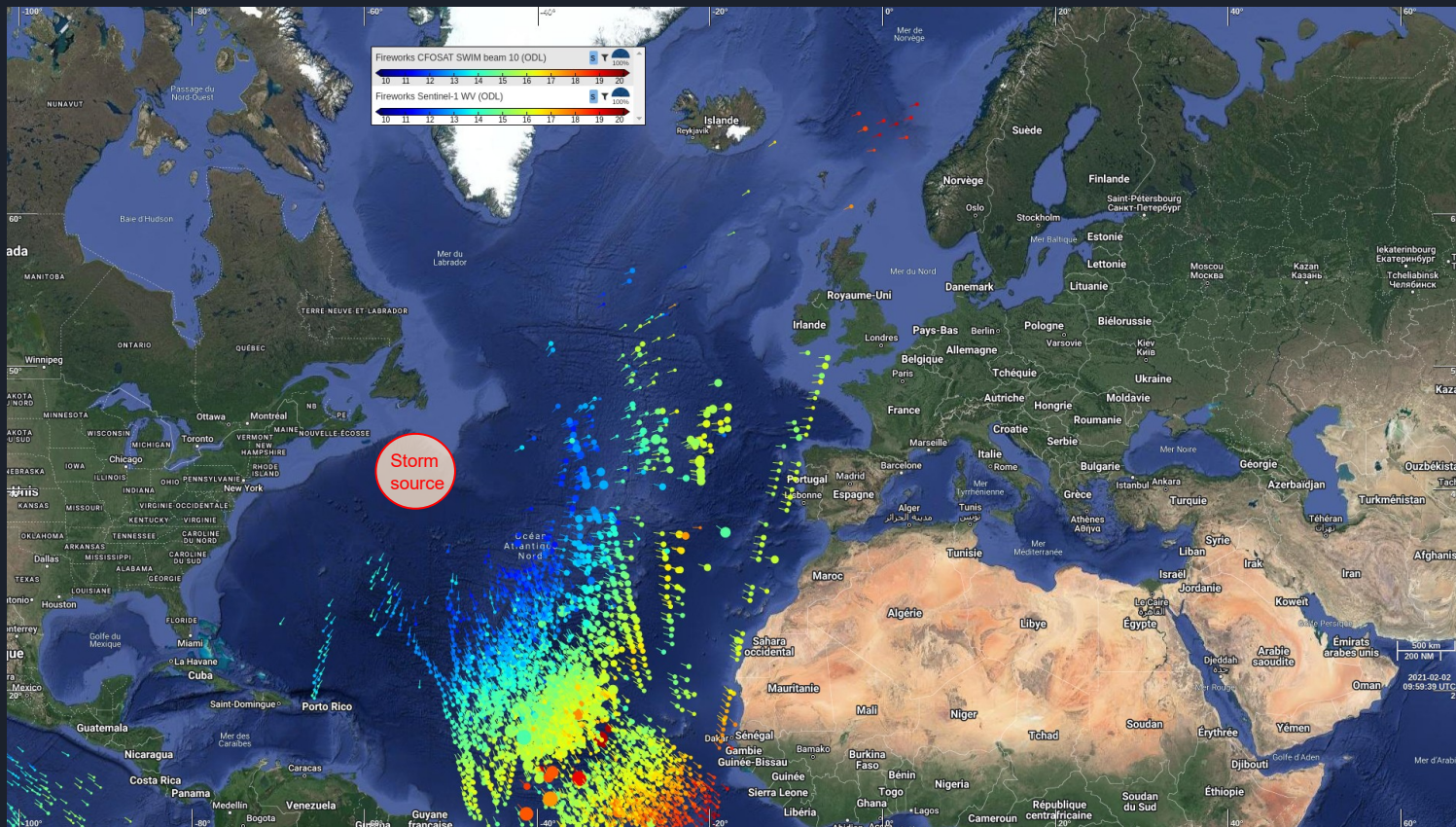
## Swell wavelength



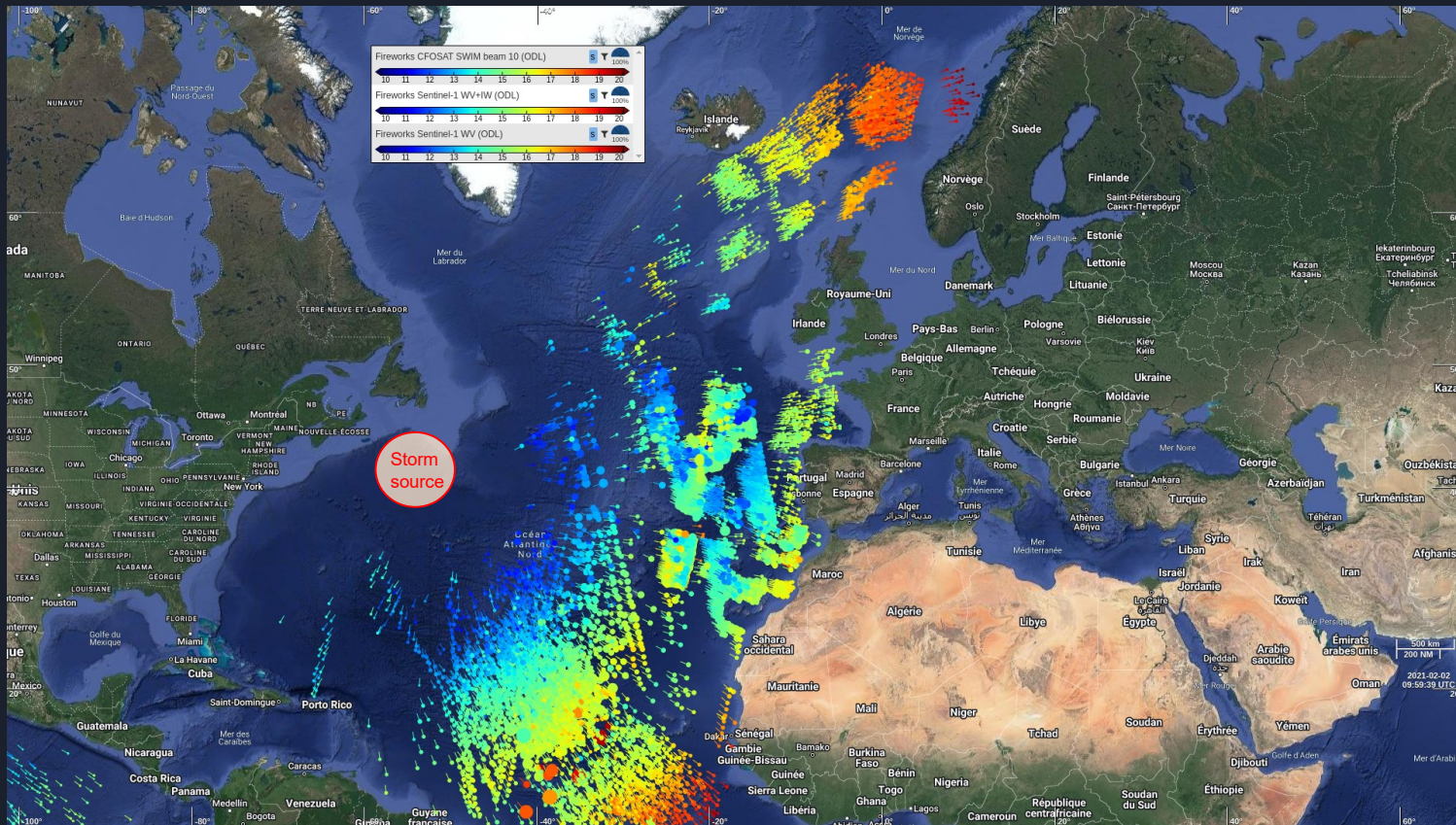


# Sentinel-1 WV+SWIM Swell tracking

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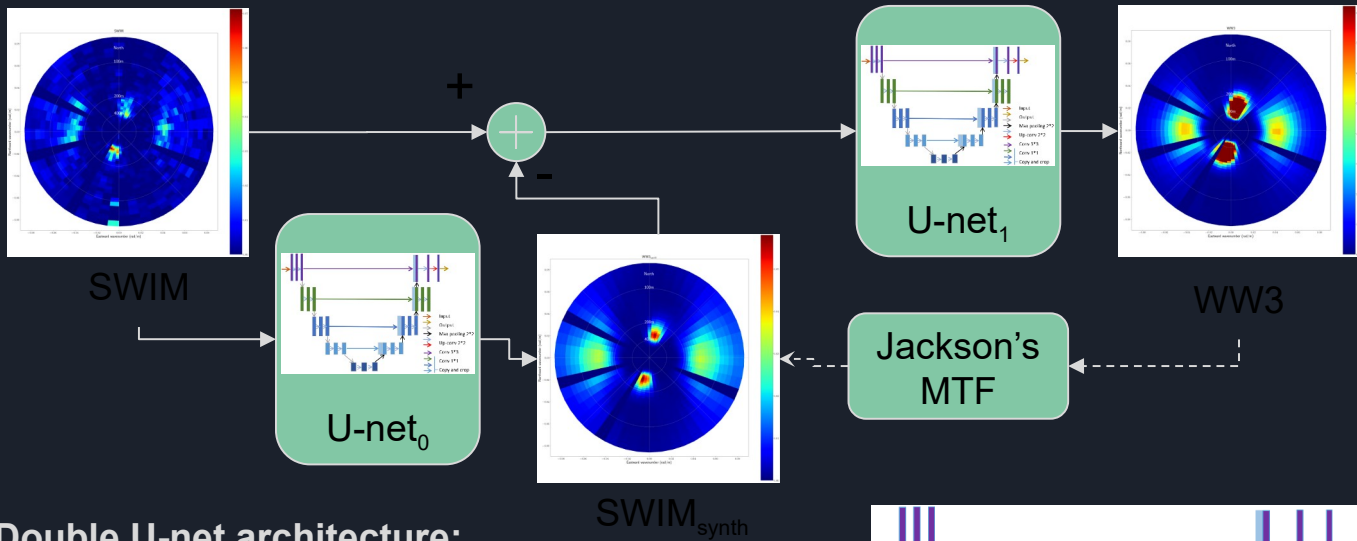
# Sentinel-1 WV+SWIM+IW Swell tracking



*Ongoing validation of new U-net based direct inversion for SWIM 2D directional spectra*



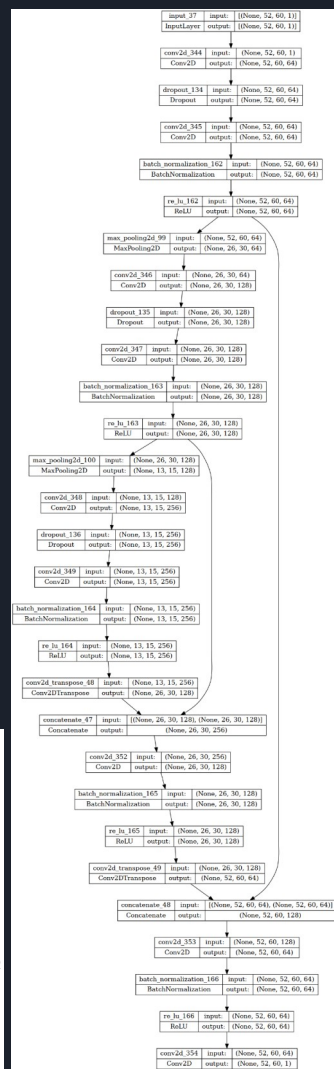
# Network Architecture



## Double U-net architecture:

U-net<sub>0</sub>: Reconstruct synthetic SWIM spectra (WW3+Jackson) from real SWIM spectra

U-net<sub>1</sub>: Reconstruct WW3 from anomaly between SWIM and synthetic SWIM spectra



# Global Spotter Buoys Dataset : directional wave drifters

## Colocalized SWIM/Spotter buoys dataset validation:

- 10 months-worth of data from 2021 (663 Buoys)
- Buoy data: Omnidirectional 1D spectra + 4 directional Fourier Coefficients
- Colocalization:
  - For each buoy observation, identify SWIM observations within:
    - 50 km
    - 60 minutes
  - SWIM 2D spectra centered around the identified spatio-temporal colocalization
  - 71856 total colocalized data points

## Network results compared to Spotter data:

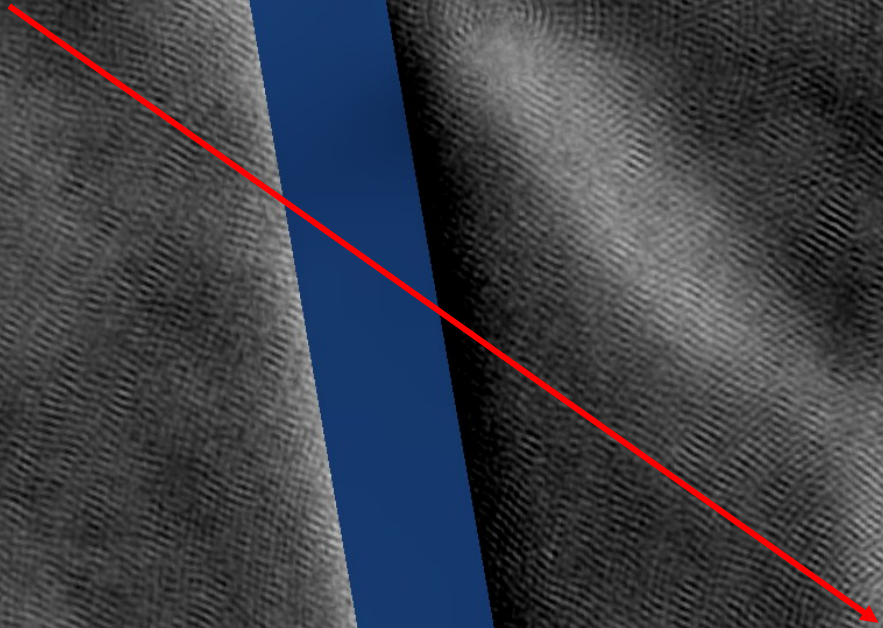
- Directional moments
- MEM reconstruction

Southern Swell hitting sea mounts

SWOT 250m SSH  
5km high passed  
June 11 @19 UTC

168.28°, -23.61° 134.3km

7.1km



Timespan  
3h 1d 3d 1w 1m

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# EE10 Harmony (2029) Observation concept: stereo phase

Line-of-sight diversity for high resolution

3-D surface deformation (DInSAR)

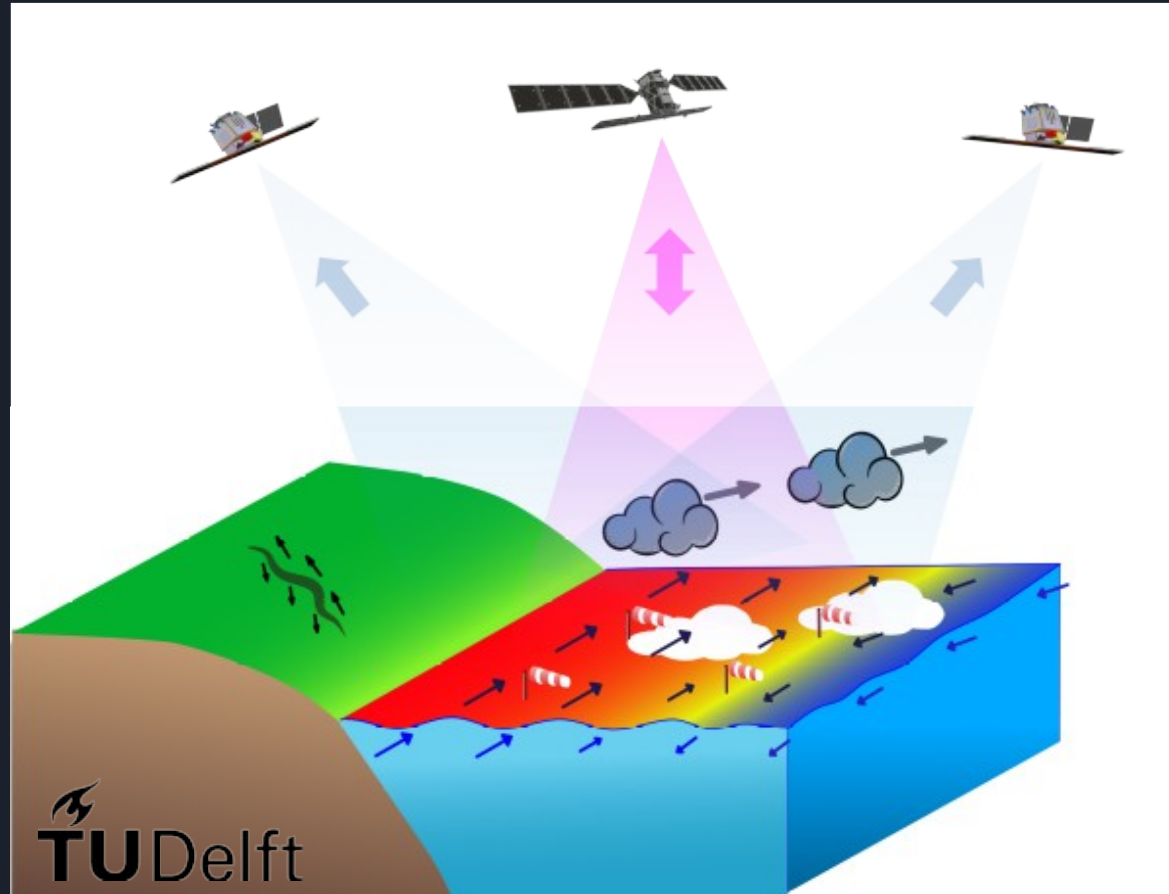
Ocean surface motion (Doppler)

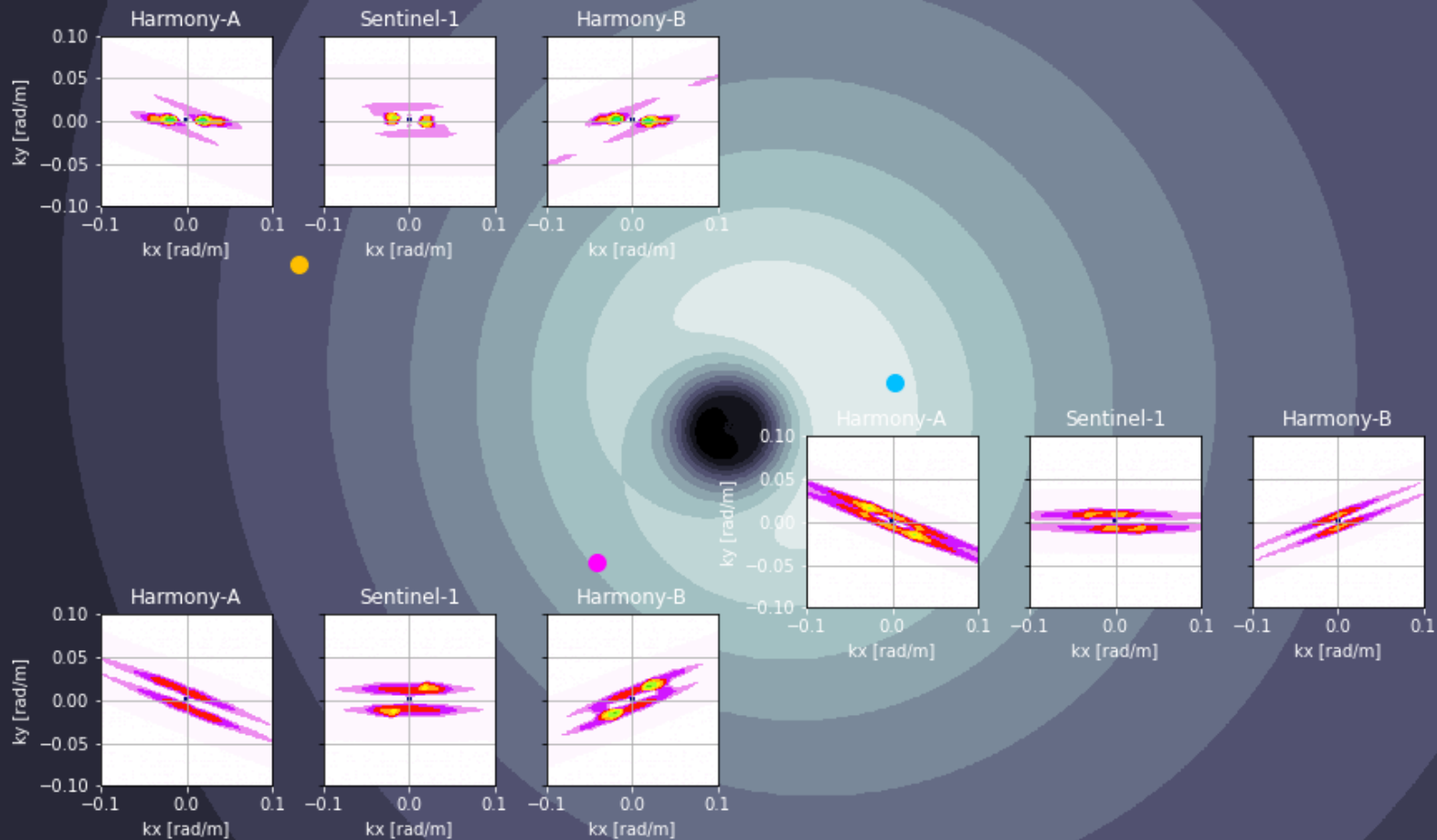
Surface winds (scatterometry)

**Improved directional surface wave spectra**

Sea Surface (skin) temperature

Cloud-top motion (TIR time-lapse) and height (TIR parallax)





# Conclusion

**La mesure in-situ de spectres directionnels de vagues au large est critique pour la calibration/validation et le contrôle qualité des missions existantes (Sentinel-1 / SWIM / SWOT) et futures (Harmony / Sentinel3 Next Gen).**

C'est la mesure de référence pour la validation des produits de niveau 2 (mesure géophysique). L'ESA définit ses mesures comme "Fiducial reference measurements"

Les mesures in-situ sont nécessaires ensuite au suivi de la qualité des observations satellite durant la mission

Ces mesures sont utilisés lors des campagnes aéroportées destinées à valider le concept de futures missions (Drift4SKIM, OSCAR,...)

Ces mesures sont enfin utilisées extensivement lors de la phase de calibration/validation des futures missions (durée 6 mois minimum)

Besoin d'investissement conséquent pour développer des solutions techniques de mesures au large de qualité au niveau français/européen.