

Development and Applications of an Ocean, Infragravity Wave, Morphological, and Structural Response Coupled Nearshore Prediction System

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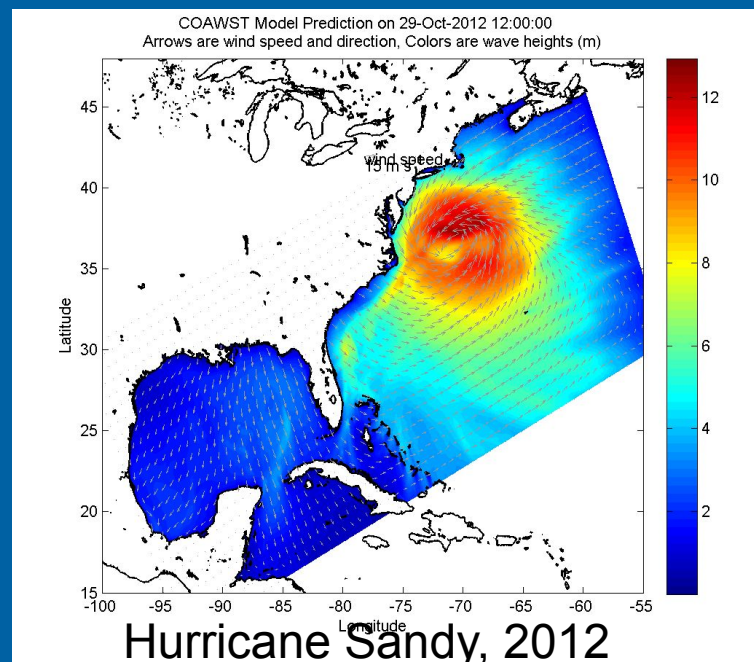
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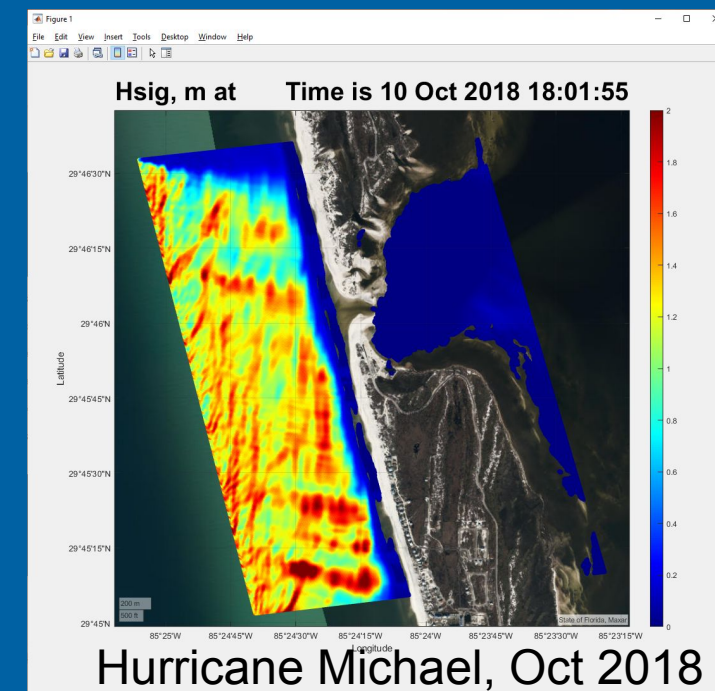
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Regional Scale (km's)



Coastal Scale (m's)



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Outline

COAWST modeling system overview

Model Coupling – physics fields exchanged

InWave infragravity wave model

Sediment Model components

Hurricane Michael

Coastal erosion impacts

Structure damage assessments



NOPP Hurricane Coastal Impacts (NHCI) Project

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NOPP:

The National Oceanographic Partnership Program (NOPP) is a collaboration of Federal agencies which facilitates partnerships between Federal agencies, academia, industry, and others in the ocean scientific community to advance ocean science research and education

Task 0) Provide hindcasts and forecasts of hurricane track and intensity predictions for CONUS landing hurricanes

Task 1) Build and update Digital Elevation Models (DEM)

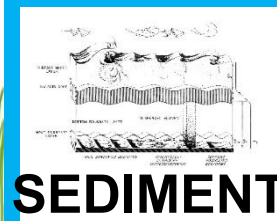
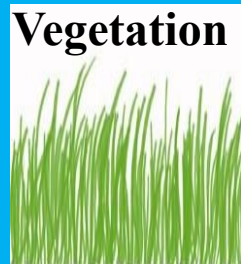
Task 2) Satellite remote sensing for ground-truthing DEMs and geophysical measurements during the storms

Task 3) In situ measurements of waves, currents, and water levels prior to and during landfall.

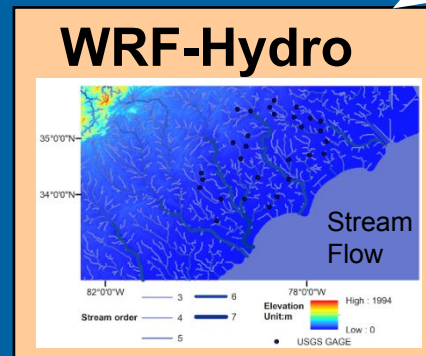
Task 4) Forecasting of wave, surge, sediment transport, structure interaction and damage

COAWST Coupled Ocean – Atmosphere – Wave – Sediment Transport Modeling System

+
Structures
Assessment



SEDIMENT

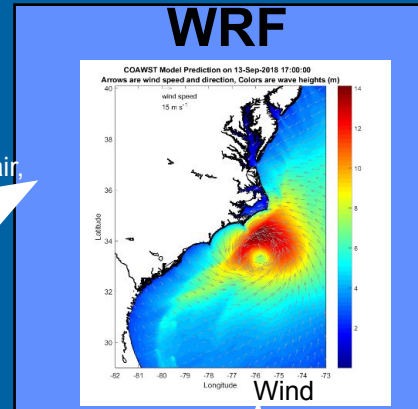


Water Levels

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Water
Levels,
Vertical
fluxes

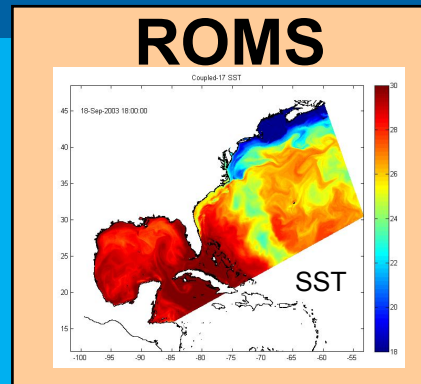
COAWST



Wind
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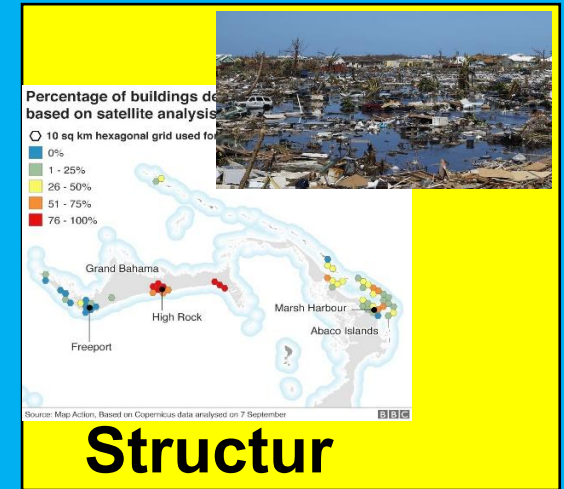
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Uwind, Vwind, Patm, RH, Tair,
cloud, rain, evap, SWrad, Lwrad
LH, HFX, Ustress, Vstress



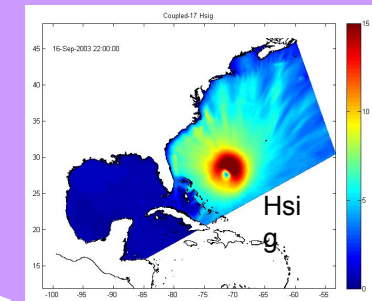
H_{wave} , L_{wave} , L_{pwave} ,
 T_{surf} , T_{mbott} , Q_b ,
 D_{bot} , D_{surf} , D_{wcap} ,
 U_{bot}

MCT



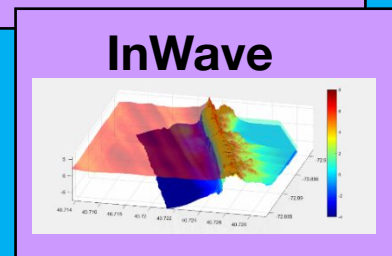
Structures

SWAN or WW3



u_s , v_s , η , bath,
 z_0

MCT



Receiving component updated physics.

Warner, J.C., Sherwood, C.R., Signell, R.P., Harris, C.K., and Arango, H.G., (2008) "Development of a three-dimensional, regional, coupled wave, current, and sediment-transport model." *Computers and Geosciences*, 34, 1284-1306.

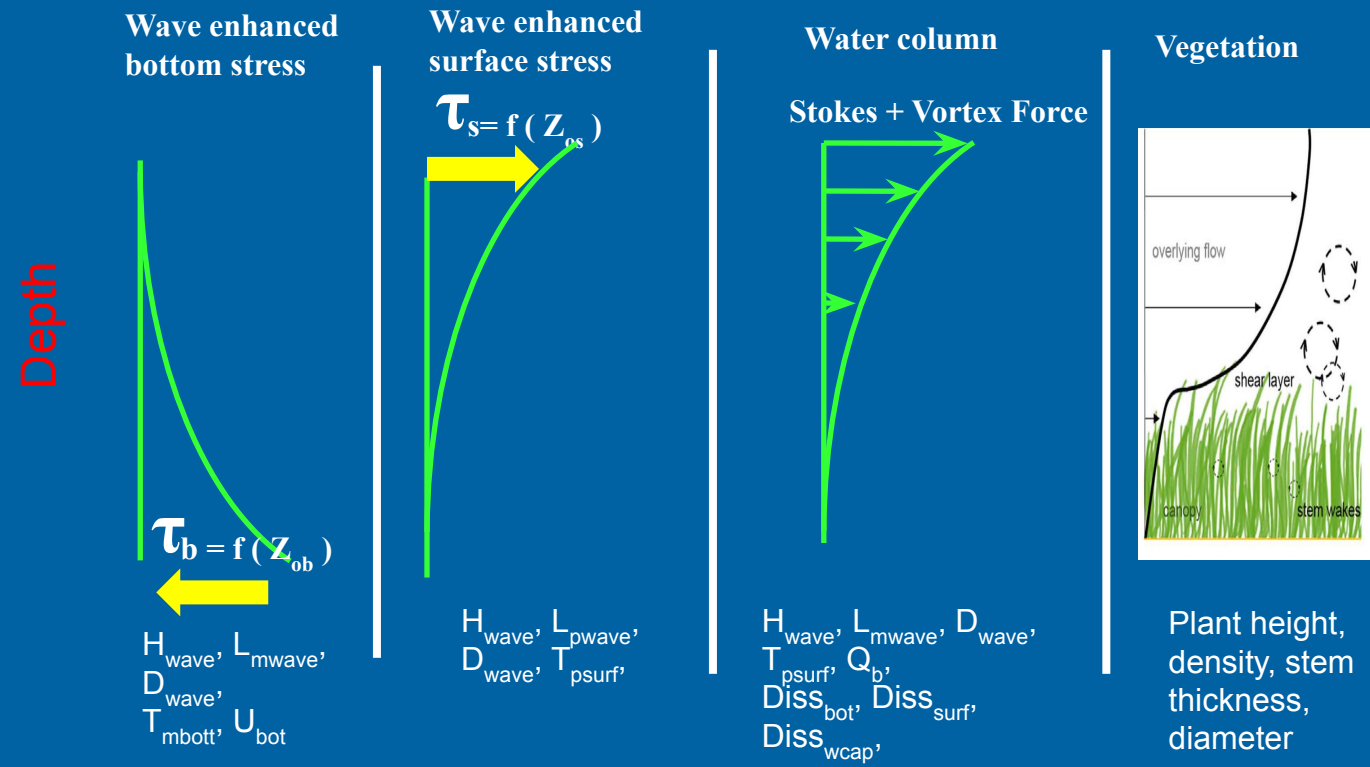
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WAV 2 OCN

Hwave	height
Lmwave	length mean
Lpwave	length peak
Dwave	direction
Tpsurf	period surface
Tmbot	period bottom
Qb	percent breaking
Dissbot	Bottom dissipation
Disssurf	Breaking dissipation
Disswcap	Whitecap dissipation
Ubot	Bottom orbital velocity



OCN 2 WAV

u_s current eastward
 v_s current northward
 η water level
bath bathymetry (morphology)
 Z_0 bottom roughness $f(\text{sed})$

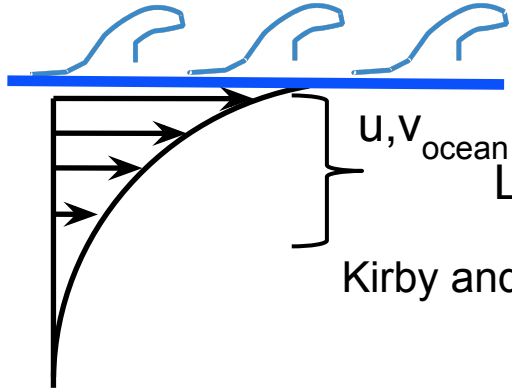
1) Generation

wind speed forcing is modified by ocean currents

$$U_{\text{wind}} - u_{\text{ocean}} ; V_{\text{wind}} - v_{\text{ocean}}$$

2) Propagation in geographic space

wave celerity is modified by ocean currents

$$C_x = C_{gx} + u_{\text{ocean}} ; C_y = C_{gy} + v_{\text{ocean}}$$


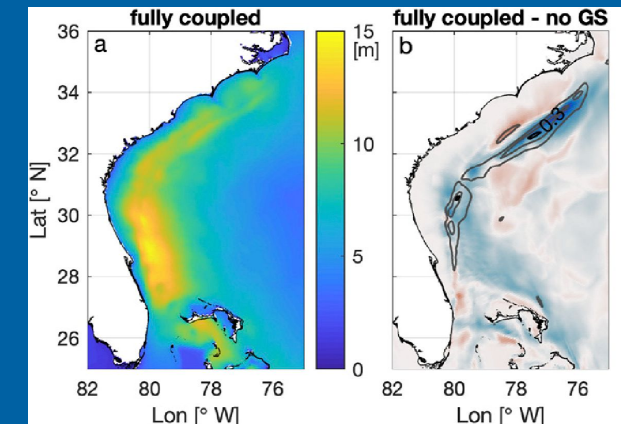
$u, v_{\text{ocean}} = f(H_{\text{wave}}, L_{\text{wave}})$

Kirby and Chen (1989)

3) Propagation in theta space

change of wave direction (refraction) due to η , bathy, and currents:

Hegermiller, C.A., J.C. Warner, M. Olabarrieta, and C.R. Sherwood, 2019: Wave–Current Interaction between Hurricane Matthew Wave Fields and the Gulf Stream. J. Phys. Oceanogr., 49, 2883–2900





InWave – nearshore infragravity wave model

Wave action balance transport equation in Cartesian coordinate system

$$\frac{\partial(A)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(C_{g,x}A)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(C_{g,y}A)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(C_{g,\theta}A)}{\partial \theta} = -\frac{D_w}{\sigma}$$

$$C_{g,x} = C_g \cos \theta + U$$

$$C_{g,y} = C_g \sin \theta + V$$

$$C_{g,\theta} = \frac{\sigma}{\sinh(2kh)} \left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \sin \theta - \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} \cos \theta \right) + \cos \theta \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial x} \sin \theta - \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} \cos \theta \right) + \sin \theta \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \sin \theta - \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} \cos \theta \right)$$

Wave dispersion relation + Doppler relation

$$\sigma = \sqrt{gk \tanh(kh)}$$

$$w = \sigma + \vec{k} \cdot \vec{u}$$

$$C = \frac{gk \tanh(kh)}{\sinh(2kh)}$$

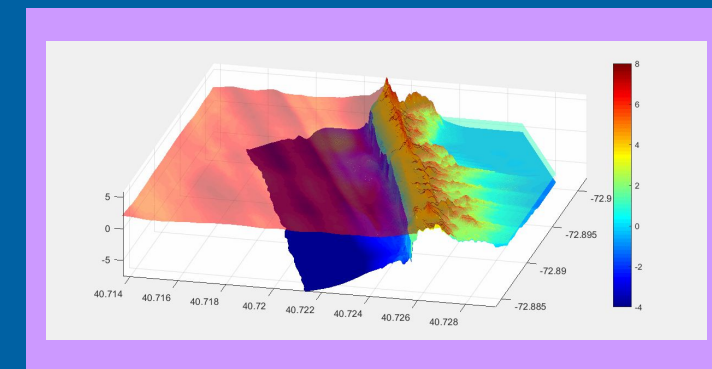
$$C_g = 0.5C \left(1 + \frac{2kh}{\sinh(2kh)} \right)$$

Eikonal equation

$$\frac{\partial k_x}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial(w)}{\partial x}$$

$$\frac{\partial k_y}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial(w)}{\partial y}$$

$$|\vec{k}| = k_x^2 + k_y^2$$



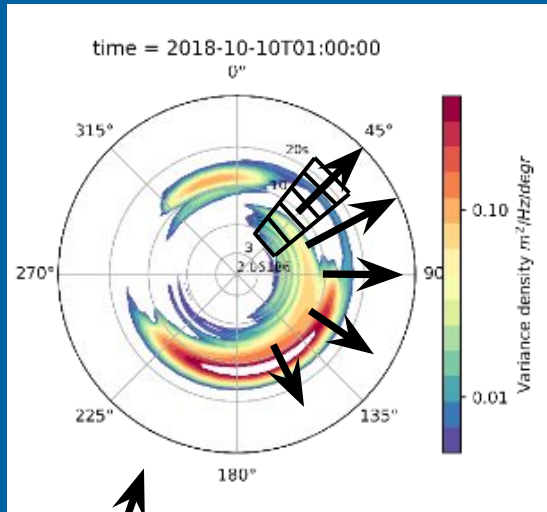
Convert Wave: A ☐ Hwave, Dwave
k ☐ Lwave



Vortex Force
3D
hydrodynamics

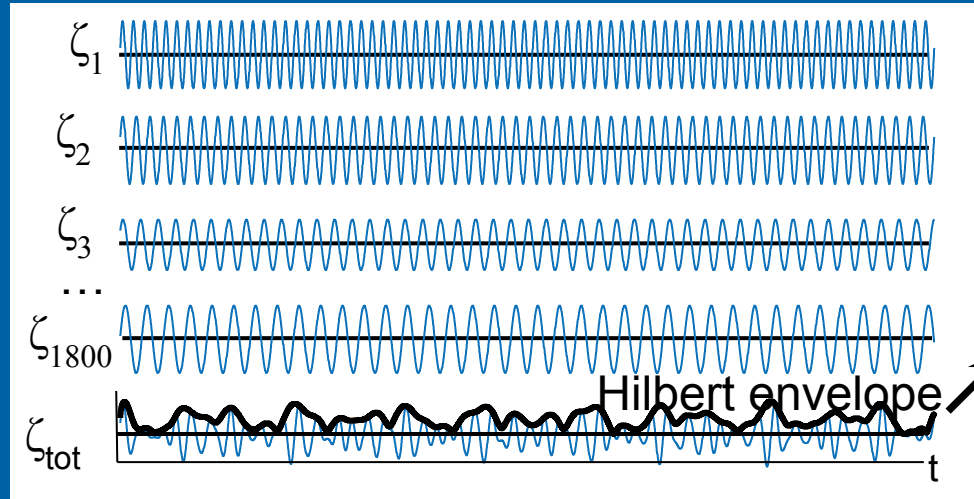
InWave wave group bc's

2D spectra

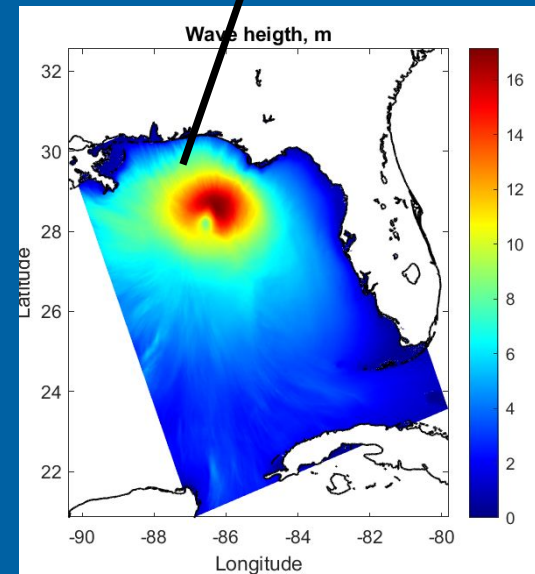
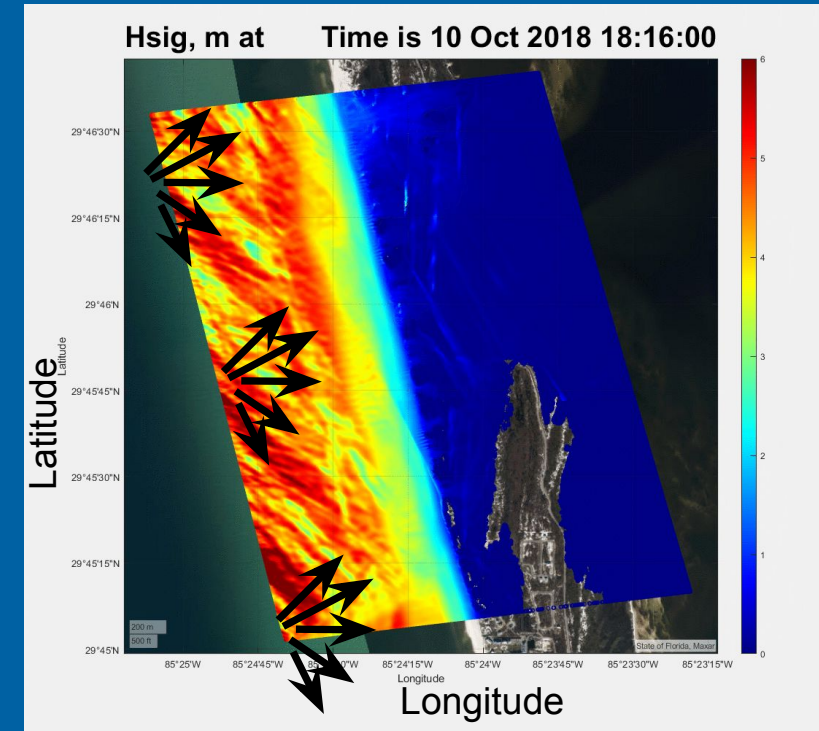


For each direction:

- compute water level time series for each freq.
- $\zeta = \text{amp} * \sin(2\pi f t + \text{phase} + k L)$
- 3600 s time series
- 1800 freqs
- sum them up, take Hilbert envelope



Impose BC's at every point along the open boundary.



Repeat for other directions.
 Use ~ 15 degree directional bins.

$$\text{WaveAction} = \rho g (2\eta)^2 T / (16 \pi)$$

Adding this feature to WW3 !
 (w3updtmd.ftn)

Sediment and Nearshore Processes

Vortex Force

Wave energy dissipation transferred from WAV to OCN model to drive ocean momentum.
Kumar et al, 2010

Vertical turbulent mixing

Generic Length Scale (GLS) by Umlauf and Burchard (2003), as implemented by Warner et al (2005).

Surface the flux from wave breaking

- Vertical the flux from surface wave breaking
- surface flux boundary conditions to GLS

Roller model

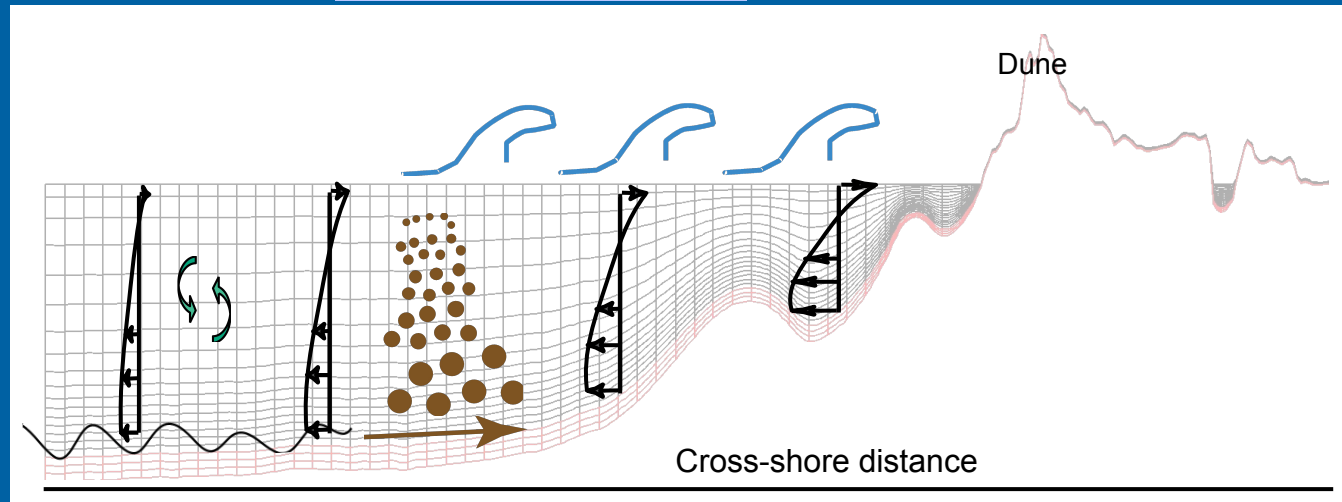
Transfers non-breaking wave momentum flux landward
Reniers et al., 2004.

Wetting / Drying

- User defined Dcrit establishes minimum depth criteria.
- Flux onto a dry (or wet) cell is always permitted.

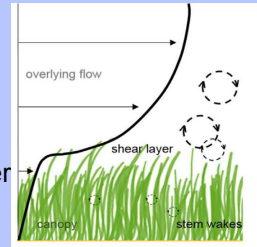
Wave-current bottom boundary layer

- Enhanced bottom stress from oscillatory wave motion
- Enhanced bed stress for currents and Erate
- Compute sand ripple dimensions



Vegetation

Momentum loss throughout vertical height of plant layer
Beudin, et al., 2016

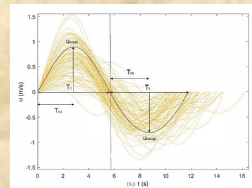


Dune slumping

- Dune slope slumping criteria
- Bed slope transport

Bedload Transport

- Meyer-Peter Muller (1948)
 - Soulsby and Damgaard (2005)
 - Van der A et al. (2013)
- wave asymmetry based mobility



Suspended-Sediment Transport

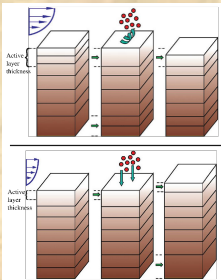
- Tracer advection w/ Sources/Sinks.
- Flux resuspension
- WENO settling algorithm (no CFL)
- Multiple sediment classes: settling velocity, density, erosion rate, bed porosity, grain diameter, and critical stress for erosion.

Morphology

- Update seafloor elevation as sediment is transported and bed model evolves.
- Update of this bed elevation is critical to provide feedback to the circulation.
- Transfer elevations to WAV model critical.
- Implemented Implicit vertical advection for stability
- Implemented 5th order bed update elevation scheme

Bed model

- 3D underlies hydro grid
- constant number of bed layers
- erosion: material removed from top layer
- deposition: material is added to top layer
- layers are merged or separated based on user criteria



Hurricane Michael 2018

<https://www.weather.gov/tae/HurricaneMichael2018>

Structure Impacts

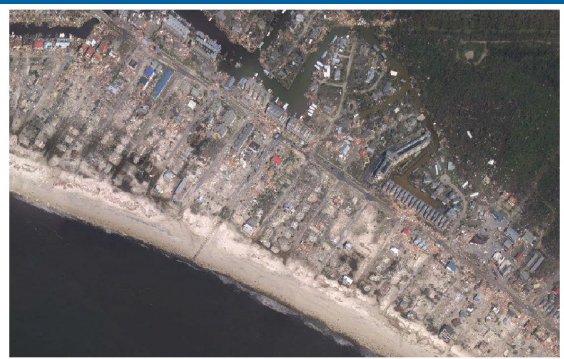
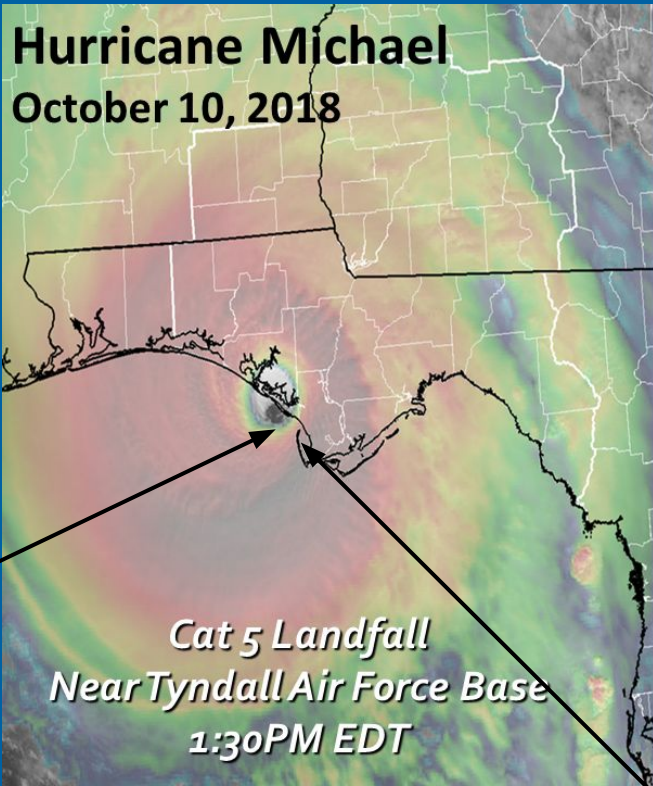


Figure 10. Aerial image of the devastation caused by Michael in Mexico Beach, Florida. Image courtesy of the NOAA National Geodetic Survey and the NWS Weather Forecast Office in Tallahassee, Florida.

Mexico Beach

Beven, Berg, and Hagen, NHC TC Report AL142018_Michael 2018.



Strongest hurricane on record to make landfall in the Florida Panhandle

Maximum Sustained Winds: 140 KTS
161 MPH

Minimum Pressure: 919 mb

Peak Storm Surge Inundation:
9-14 feet Mexico Beach to Indian Pass

NOAA National Weather Service
NWS Tallahassee
weather.gov/tallahassee

Cape San Blas



Geomorphic Impacts

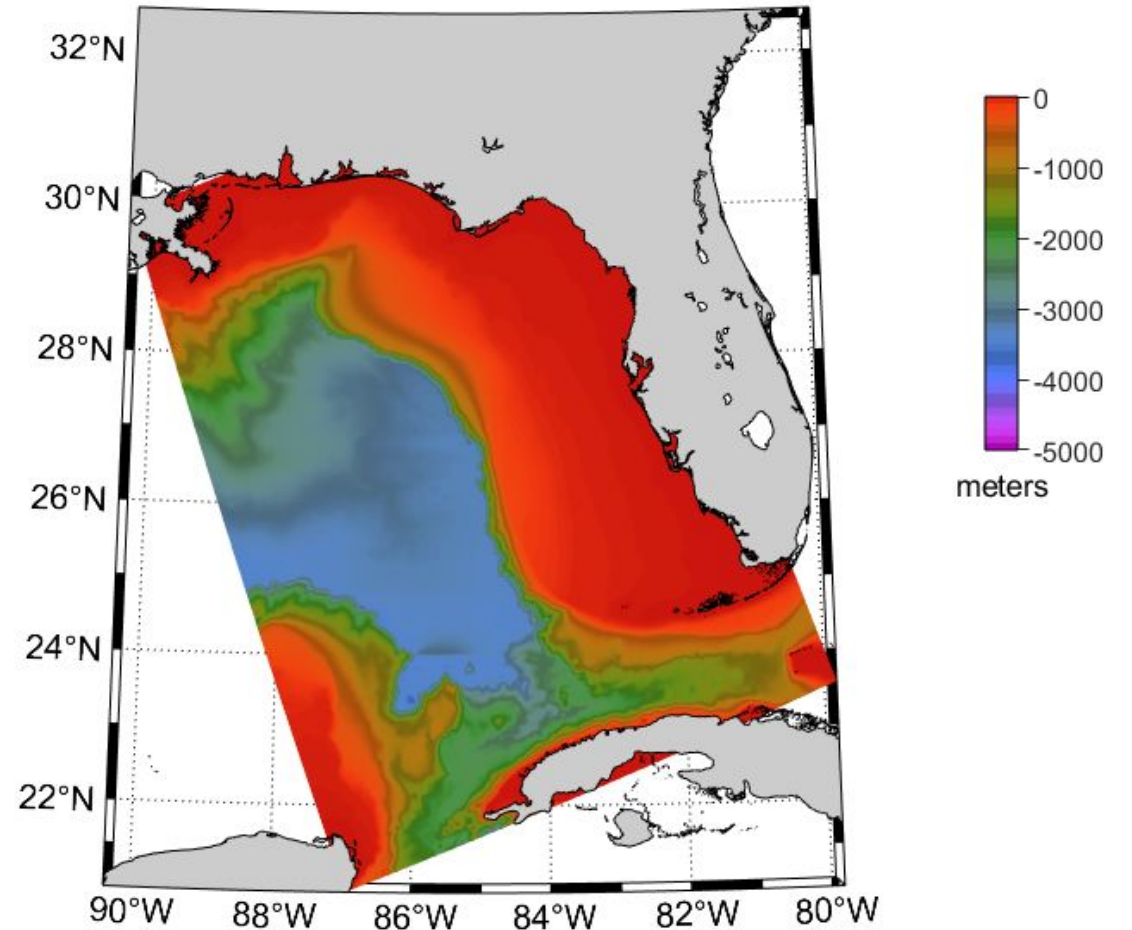


<https://www.usgs.gov/media/images/and-after-photos-show-hurricane-michaels-destructive-power-2>

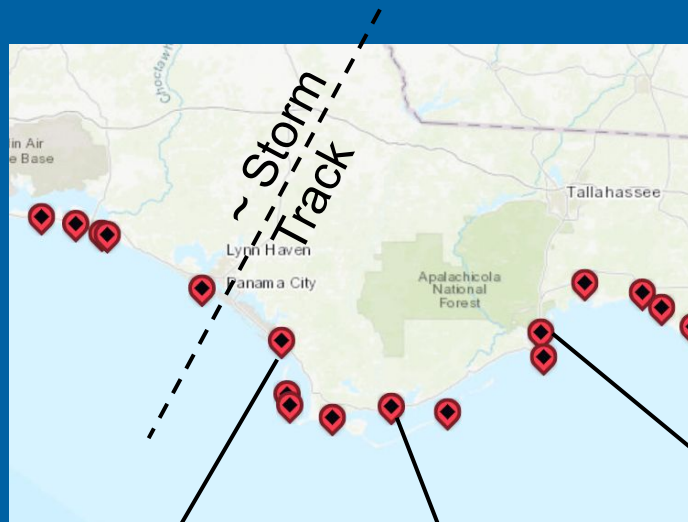
GoM Regional grids: ROMS + SWAN simulation

L1 Grid

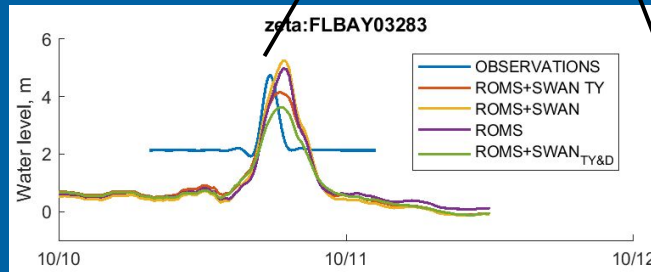
- 15 vertical layers
- Approx. 950 m horizontal resolution
- Init and boundary conditions from coarser grid covering all GoM and USEast coast.
- COMAPS-TC atmospheric forcings of 10m winds, atm pressure
- Tides TPOX 8.0
- Bathy GEBCO19
- Simulated Oct 7-11, 2018



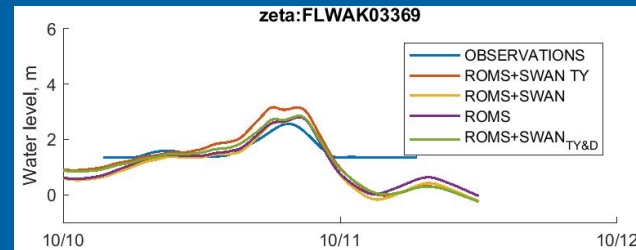
Water Level and Wave results



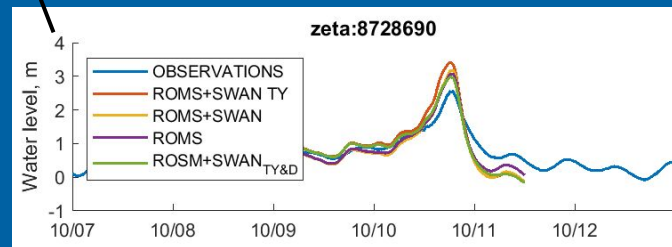
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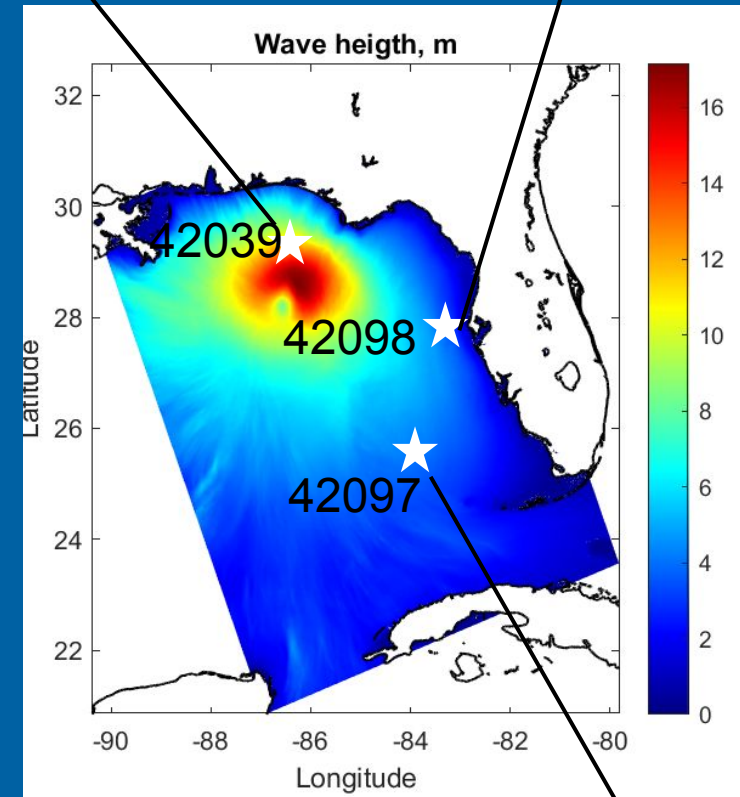
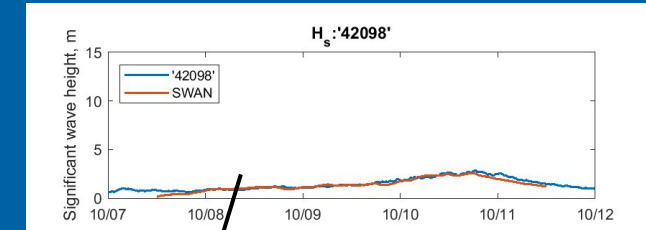
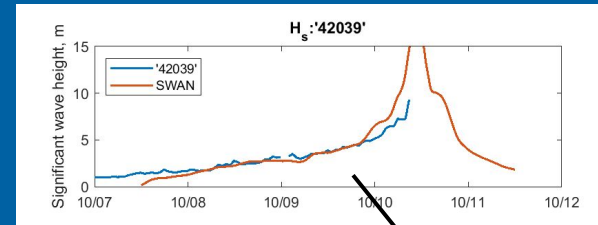
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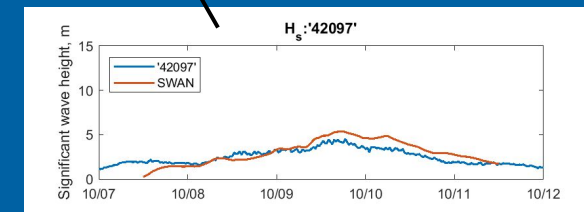
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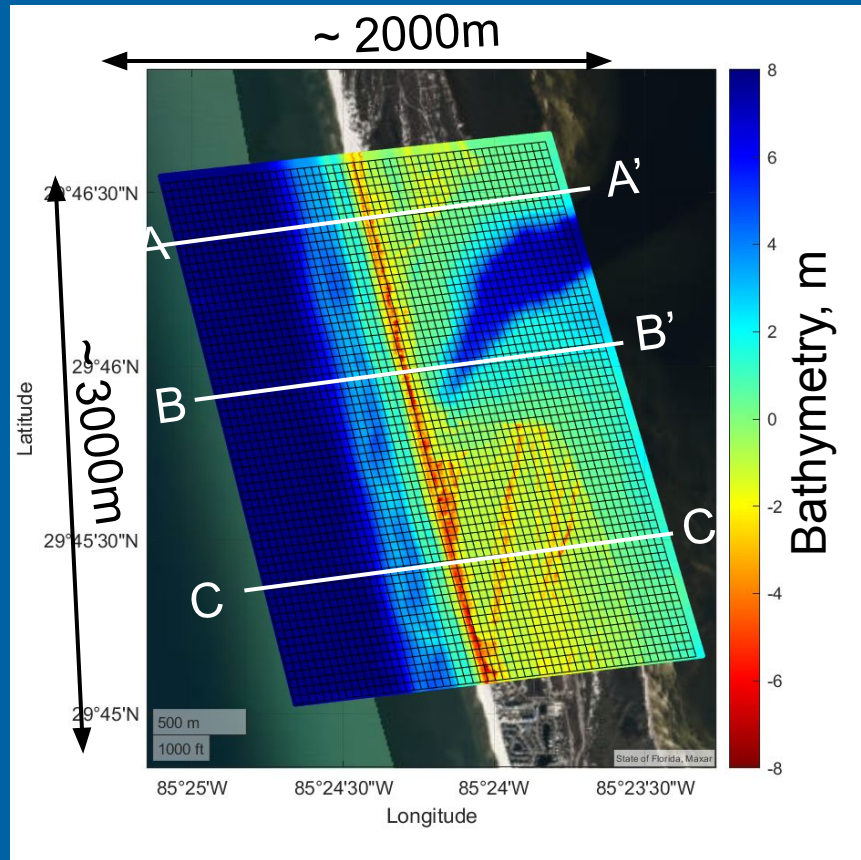
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Wave Heights



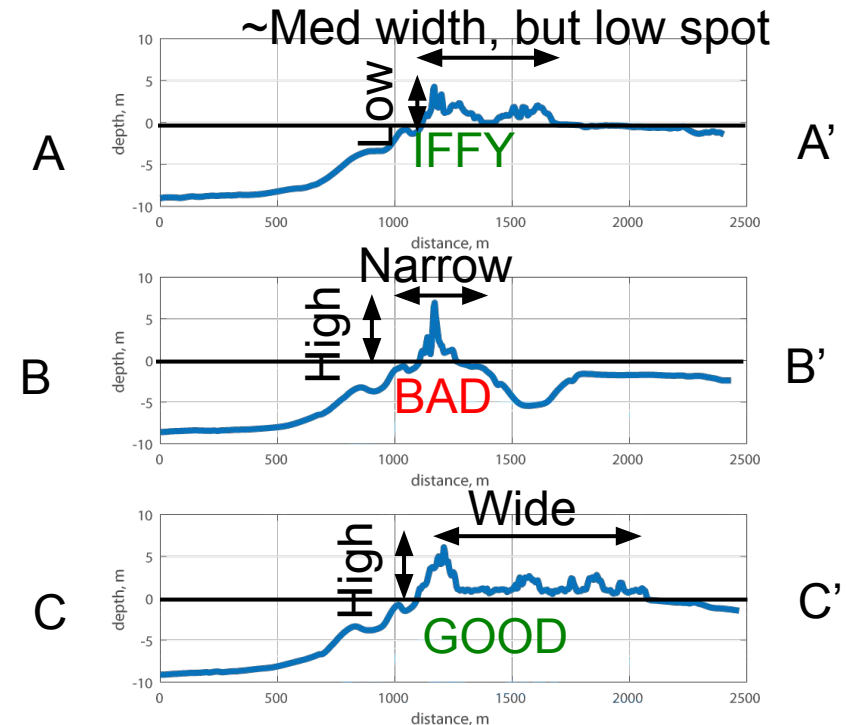
Cape San Blas nearshore grid



Grid
550 cells 'x' , $dx \sim 4m$
650 cells 'y' , $dy \sim 5m$



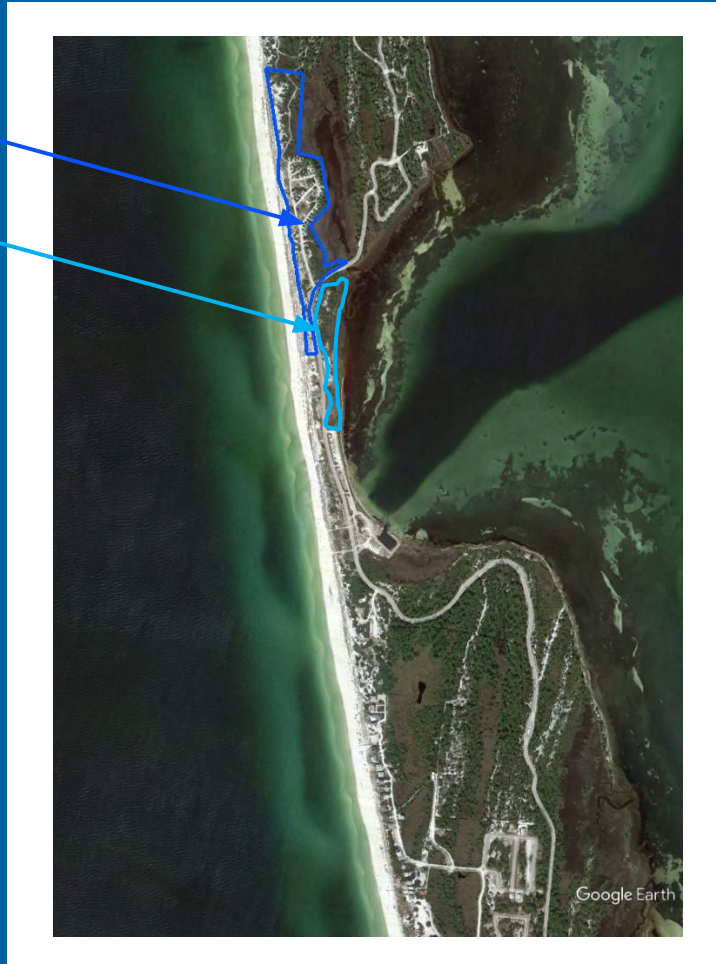
Cross-shore Profiles



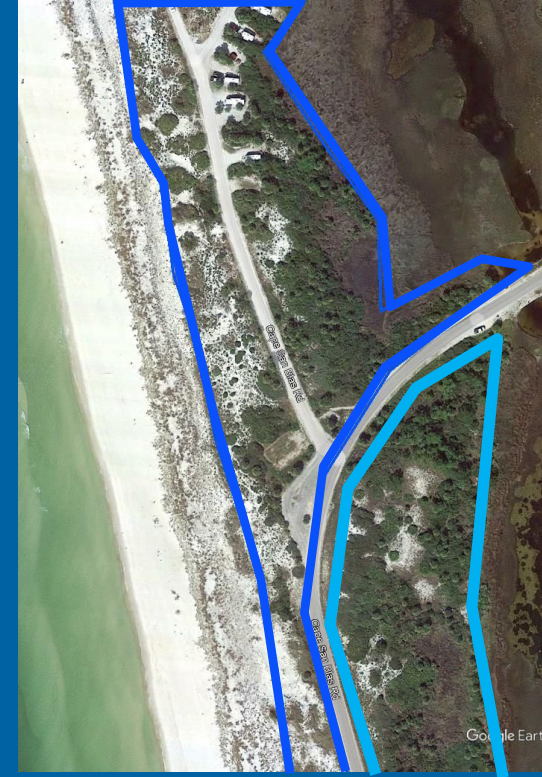
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Vegetation map

Areas defined
as 'vegetated'

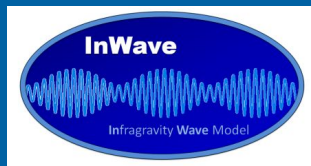


Zoom in of vegetated area.



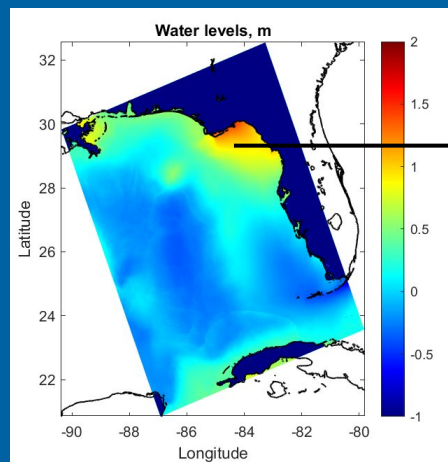
Parameters for Cape San Blas

plant density 10 stems/m²
plant diameter 0.03 m
plant thickness 0.005m
plant height 1.0m

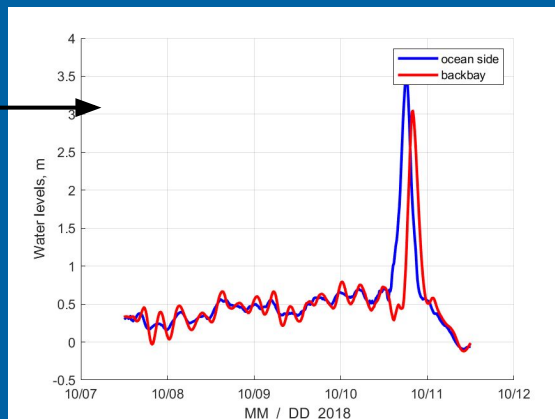


Cape San Blas- forcings

Water levels



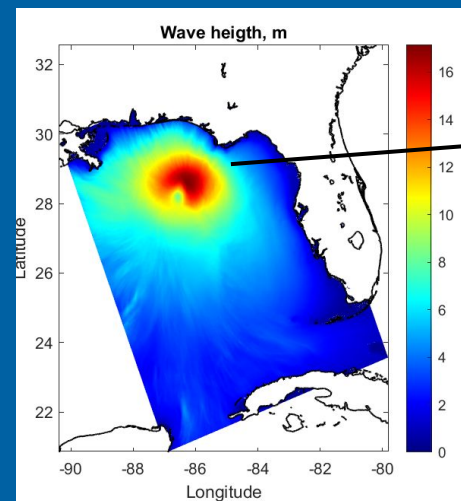
Extract data from coarser grid



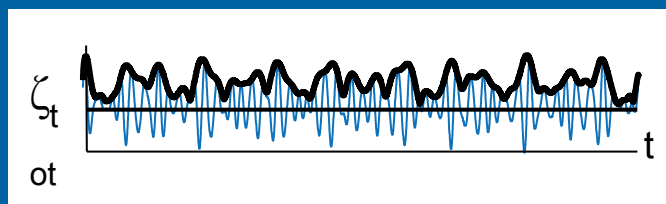
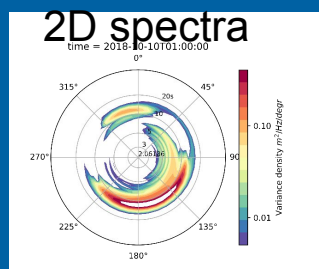
Water levels

Simulated the storm event from Oct 10, 2018 to Oct 11, 2018

Waves



Extract data from coarser grid

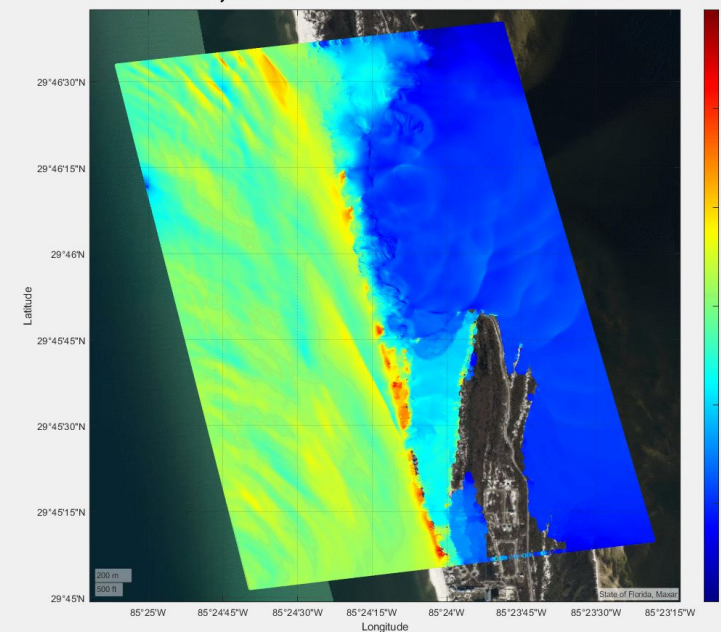


Hilbert envelope over reconstructed water level time series.

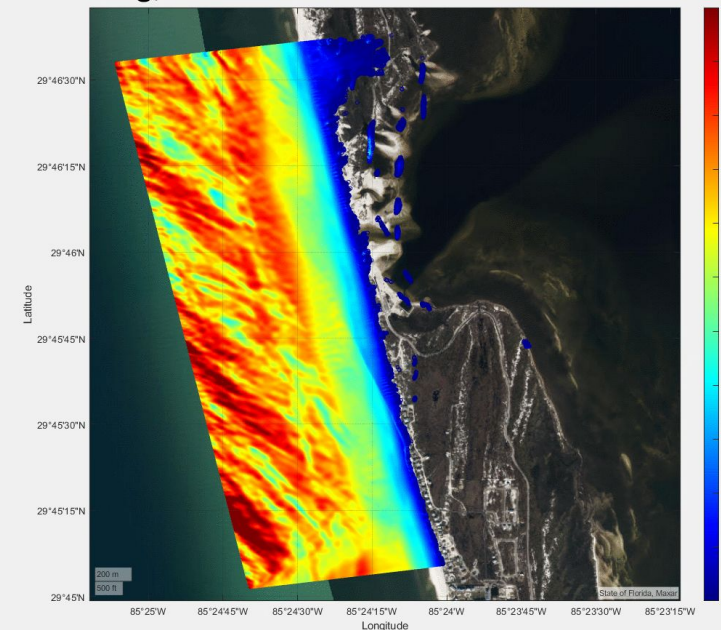


wave action density (wave group envelope)

Water level, m at Time is 10 Oct 2018 18:16:00



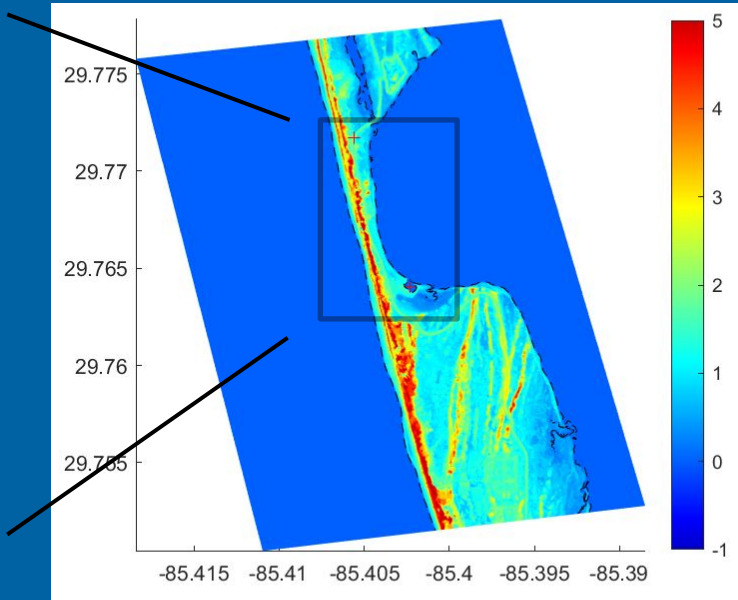
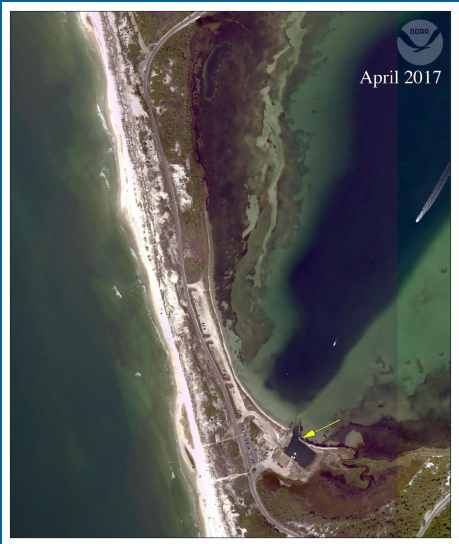
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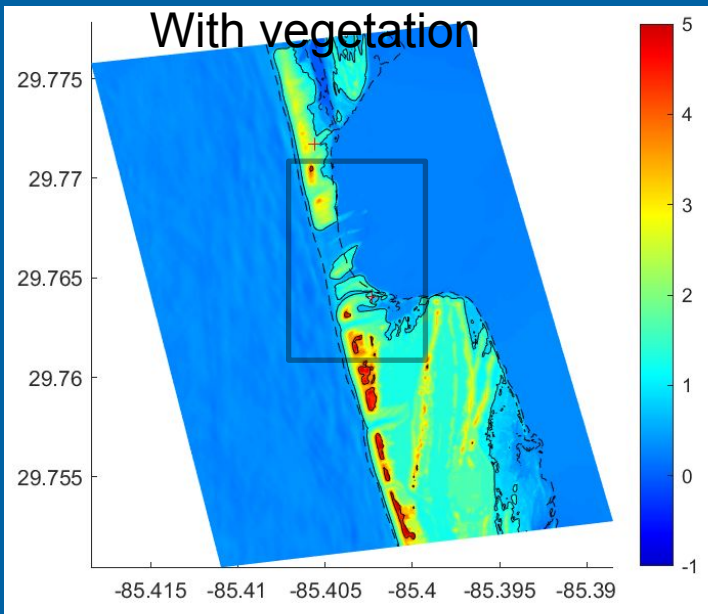
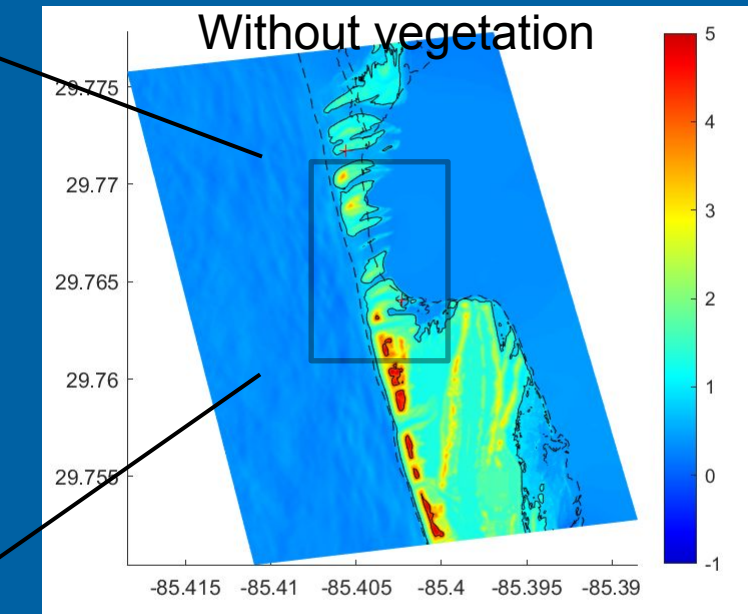
Cape San Blas breach

Elevations of water level and dunes, near mid tide.

before storm



after storm



Excessive dune erosion and many breaches.

Limited erosion and breaches.

Damage to Structures – Objective

Buildings



Surge



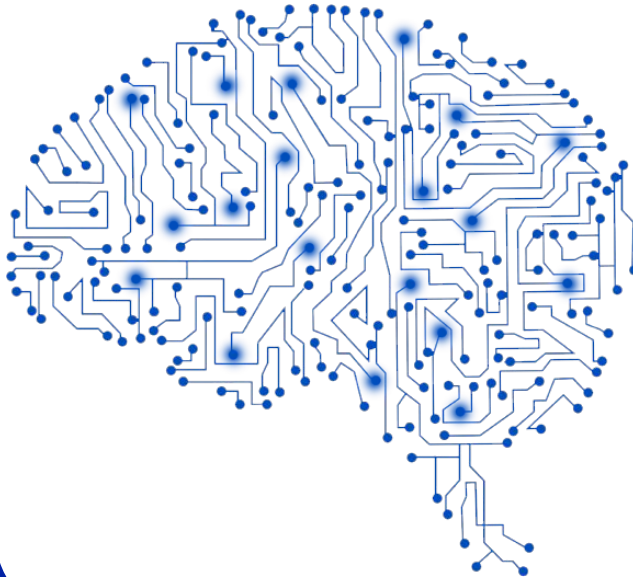
FEMA

Wind

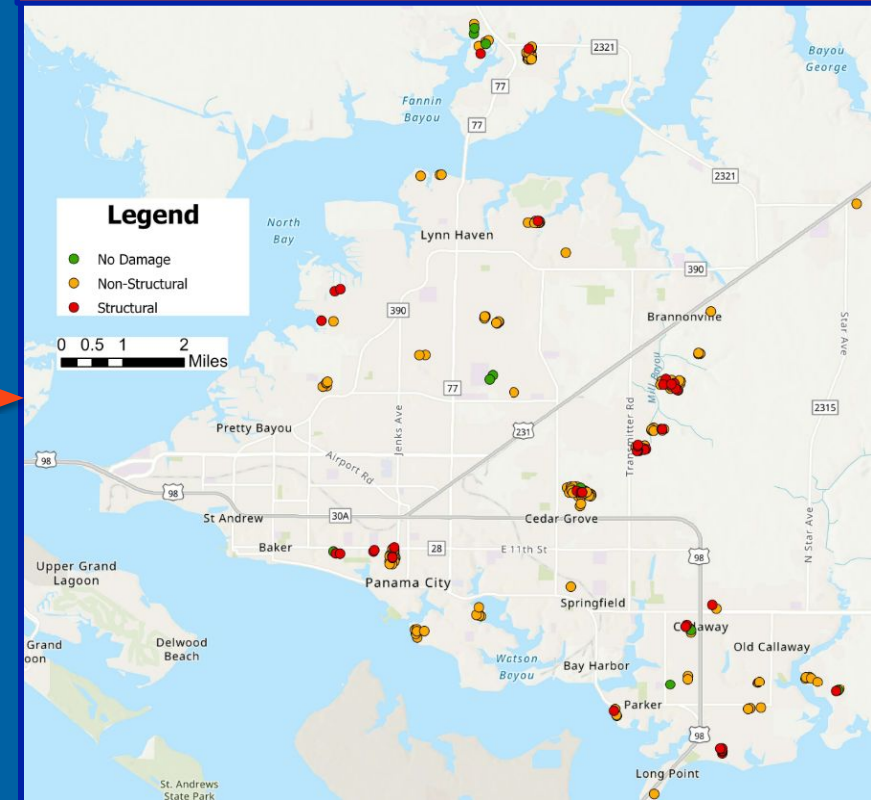


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Machine Learning



Damage State Predictions



Damage to Structures – Results

Prediction Model

- Random Forest algorithm
- Trained on reconnaissance data

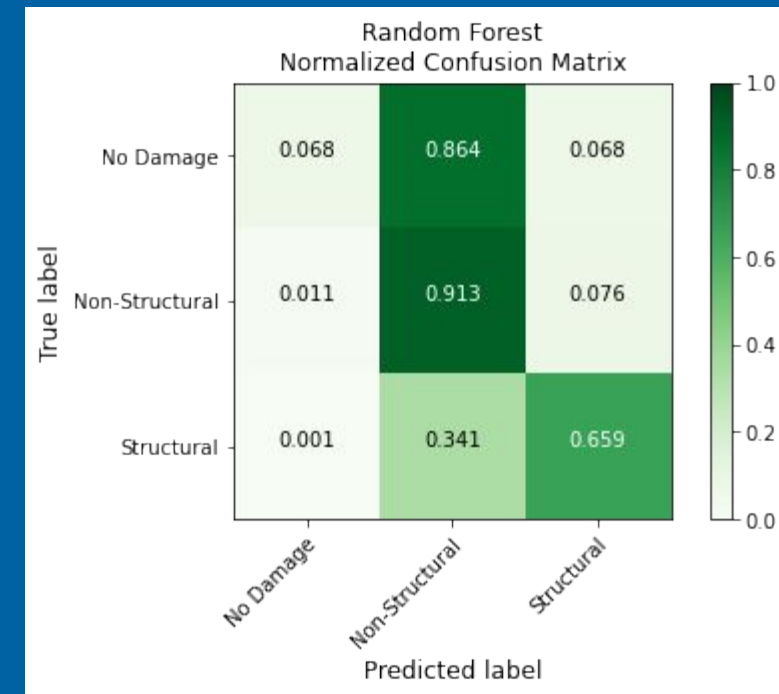
Important Input Features

- Design wind speed exceedance
- Age
- Distance to coastline
- Surge depth
- Wall structural type

	Extent of failure in:		
Damage State	Roof/Wall Cover	Roof/Wall Substrate	Roof/Wall Structure
No Damage	0%	None	None
Non-Structural	> 0% and ≤ 50%	≤ 3 panels	None
Structural	> 50%	> 3 panels	Any

Hurricane Michael Case Study Performance

- Accuracy = 79%
- Over-conservative
 - Predicts No Damage as Non-Structural Damage
 - Very few “No Damage” samples in available data



Conclusions

NOPP Hurricanes Project is pulling together many needed resources to address predictions of landfall hurricanes.

Continuing to develop an Ocean-Atmosphere-Wave-SedimentTransport Modeling System to couple coastal storm processes.

Application of Hurricane Michael with larger scale grids simulated the wave, current, and water levels and provide boundary forcings for smaller scale models.

Cape San Blas smaller scale application (~ 4m grid spacing) simulated dune overtopping and barrier island breaching.

Inclusion of small/local scale (O~m) land use/cover features of vegetation resulted in more accurate simulation of breaching.



Developing a machine learning framework to predict categorical damage states to buildings in hurricane impact areas.