Littoral MIW Oceanography

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Vision

(1) World class CNMOC/NAVO/NPS Thesis Program in Littoral MIW Oceanography that provides Naval decision makers with effective, usable synthetic environments to support analysis, acquisition, and training

(2) Well Preparation of METOC Officers for Future Assignments

(3) Improvement of NPS Missions

Multi-Agent Support

- **CNO-N6M**
- **CNMOC, NAVO**
- **ONR**
- **SPAWAR**

Partnership

- NPS: Peter Chu and Students
- CNMOC: CAPT Robert Kiser, CDR Robert Witzleb
- NAVO: Ron Betsch, Peter Fleischer, Steve Haeger
- ONR-Global: CDR Eric Gottshall
- NUWC: David Cwalina
- NRL-Stennis: Phil Valent, Mike Richardson, Paul Elmore, Dan N. Fox, Charlie Barron, …
- Ruth E. Keenan (SAIC)

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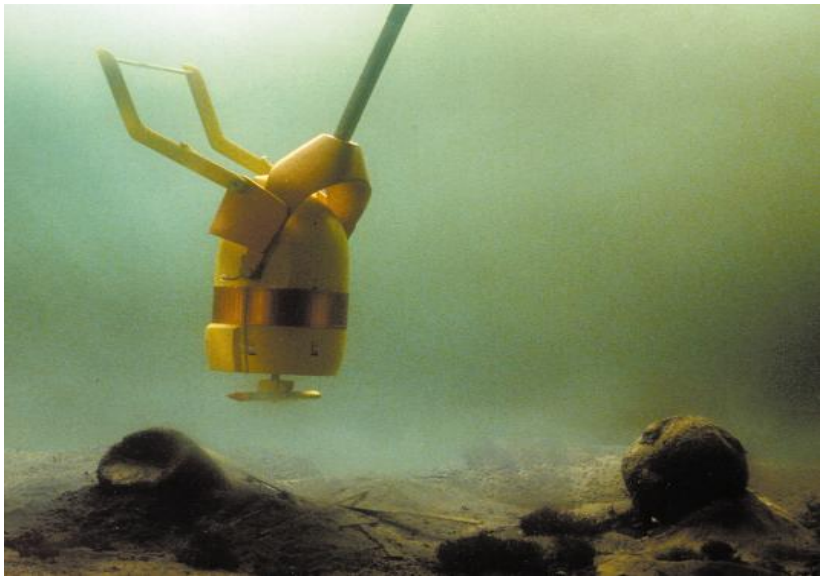
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Thesis Topics

- Magnetic Sweep Performance Topography
- Optical Performance Topography
- Acoustic Mine Detection: Effect of Internal Waves for Mine Detection
- 3D Mine Impact Burial Prediction (IMPACT35)
- Bomb Strike for Mine Clearance (STRIKE35)

(1) Mine Acoustic Detection

Mine Acoustic Detection



Brief Description

- **Ocean environmental modeling and data analysis for MIW.**
- **Establishment of mine impact burial data base**
- **Core dynamic impact burial model development and verification**
- **Mine drop experiments with various shapes**
- **Ensemble impact burial prediction model development**
- **Interfaces to other modeling components such as environmental, scour, liquifaction, and expert system**

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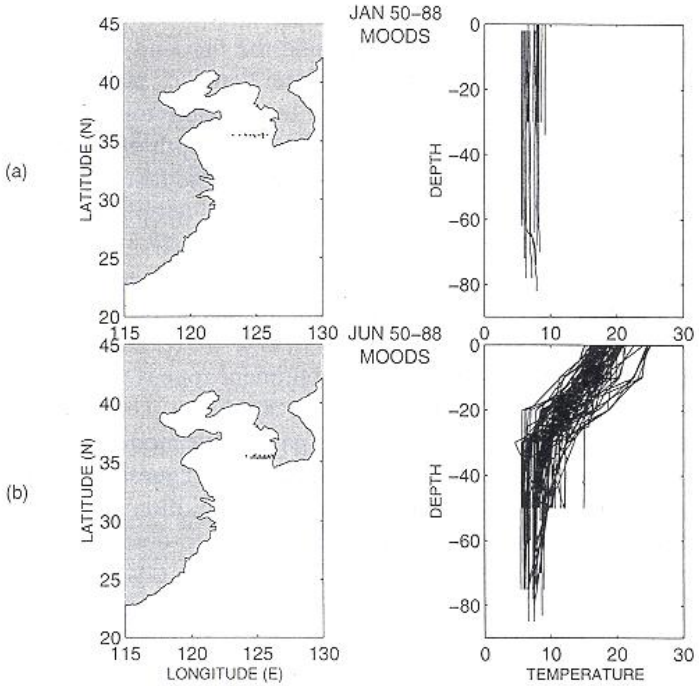
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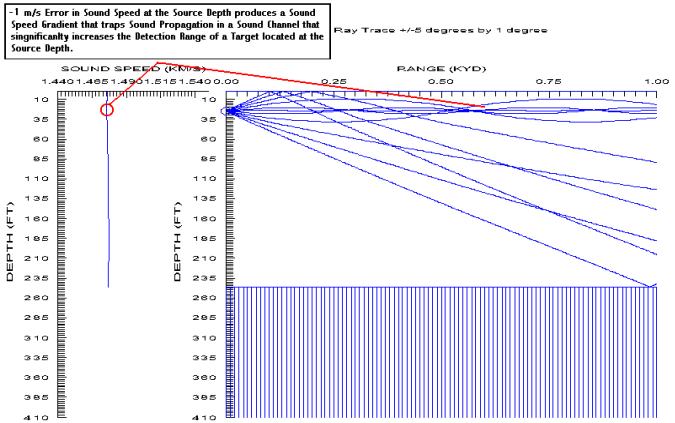
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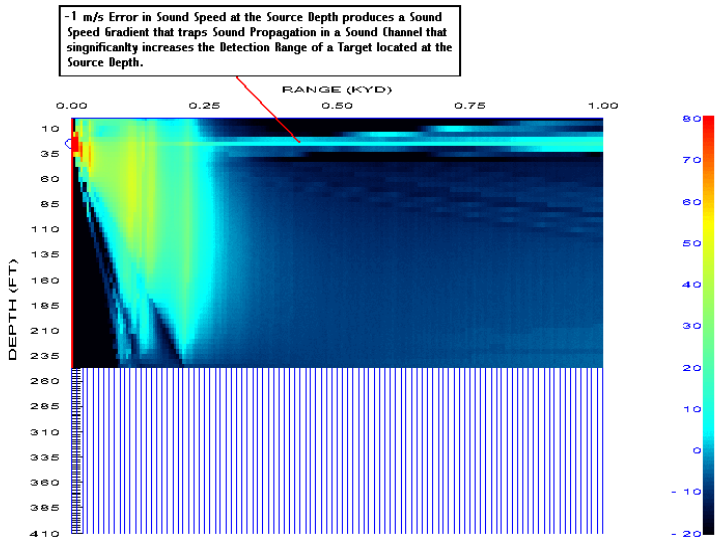
Environmental Uncertainty on Acoustic Detection

LT Cintron's Thesis



Naval Oceanographic Office's MOODS (Environmental) Data

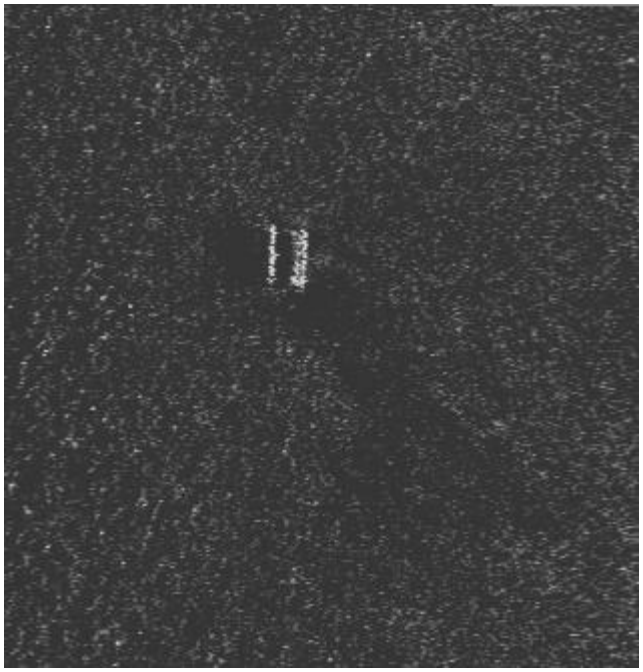


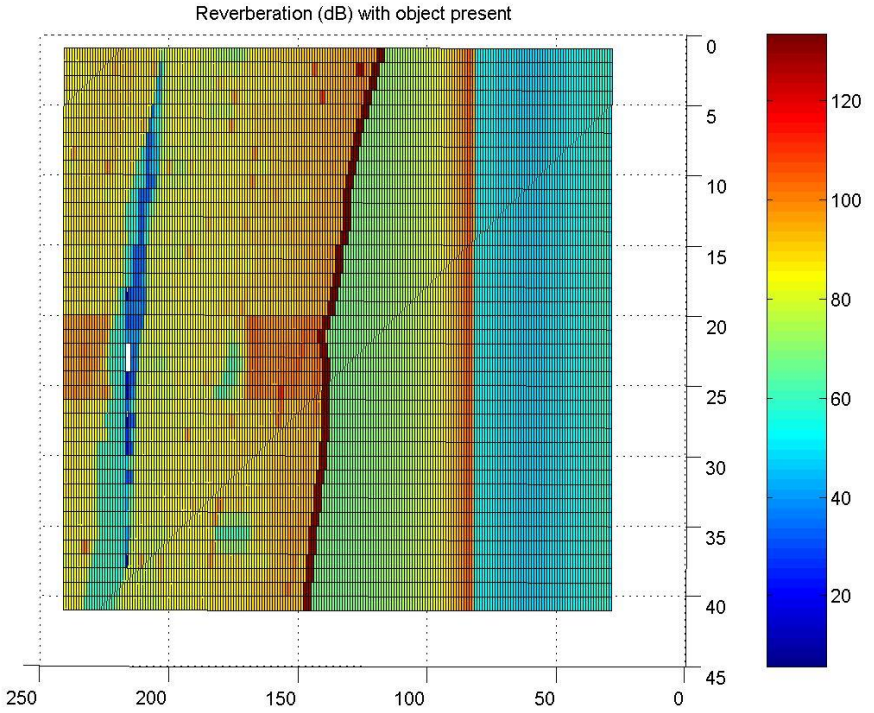


1 m/s error in sound speed enhances acoustic transmission

Buried Object Detection Using Volume Reverberation

LT Mike Cornelius' Thesis. June 2004.



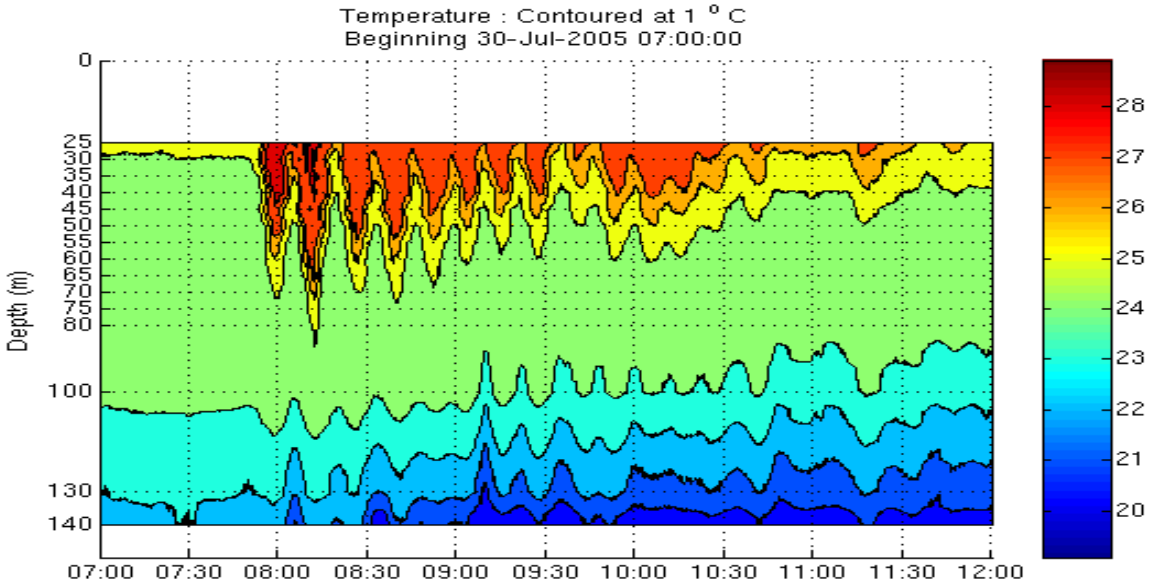


Sidescan Sonar Image

CASS/GRAB Model:
Volume Reverberation

New Problem:

What is the Effect of the Internal Solitary Waves on Mine Detection?



Temperature field in the

Philippine Sea

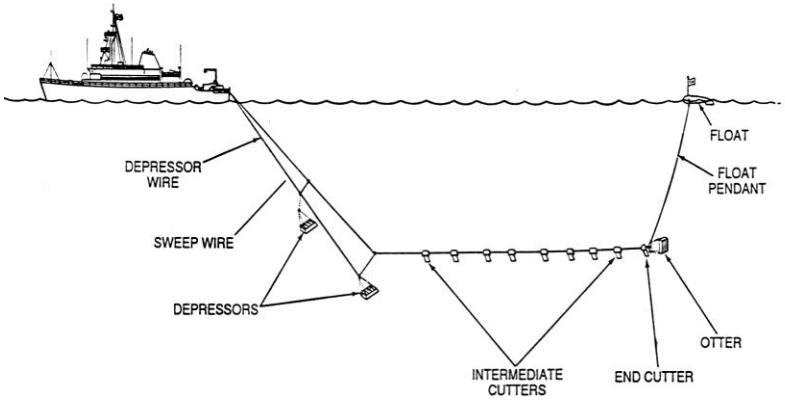
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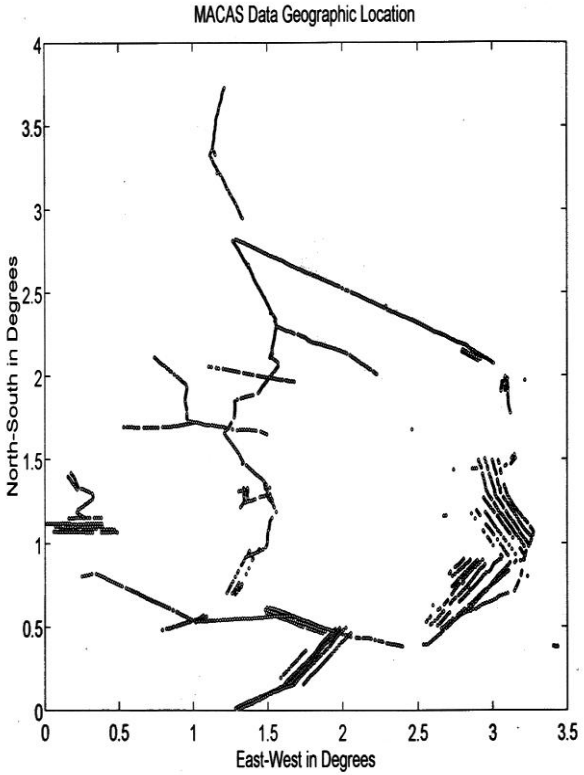
(2) Magnetic Sweep Performance Topography

Environmental Uncertainty on Magnetic Mine Sweeping

CDR Gottshall's Thesis

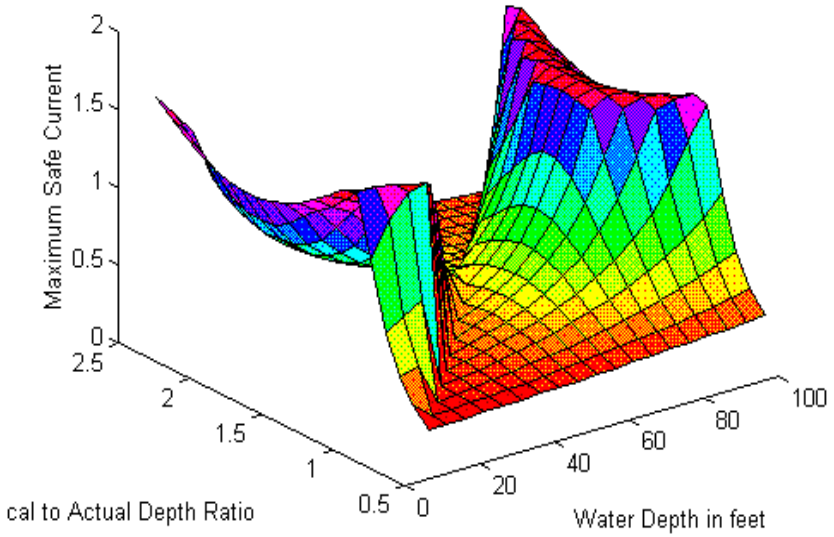
Mine Sweeping





Naval Oceanographic Office's MACAS (Environmental) Data

Horizontal Current (Electrode Sweep)



Notice that safe current levels calculated at 60-100 ft depths are unsafe at some shallower depths, but safe again at depths less than 30ft for reasonable ED/AD values.

New Problems

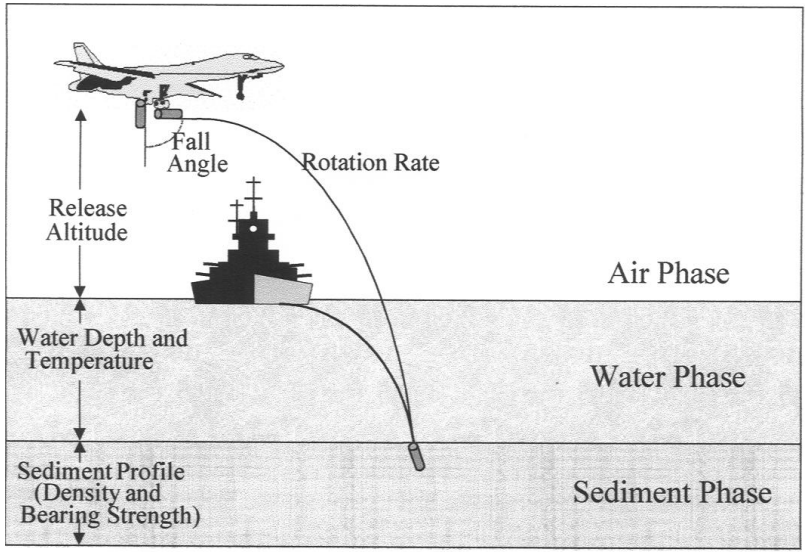
- What is the connection of ED/AD ratio and q-values to the n-layer magnetic model?

(3) Optical Performance Topography

- To provide the warfighter the planning tools he needs, an optical topography will need to be produced for an operational area that will indicate where the optical assets will be effective over the entire operational area and for what period of time.

(4) Mine Burial Prediction and Bomb Strike for Mine Countermeasure

3D Mine Impact Burial Prediction Model (IMPACT35)



Brief Description

Development of Navy's operational model (IMPACT35) for predicting trajectory and orientation of various mines in air, water, and sediment columns

- **Establishment of mine impact burial data base**
- **Core dynamic impact burial model development and verification**
- **Mine drop experiments with various shapes**
- **Ensemble impact burial prediction model development**
- **Interfaces to other modeling components such as environmental, scour, liquifaction, and expert system**

NPS Theses

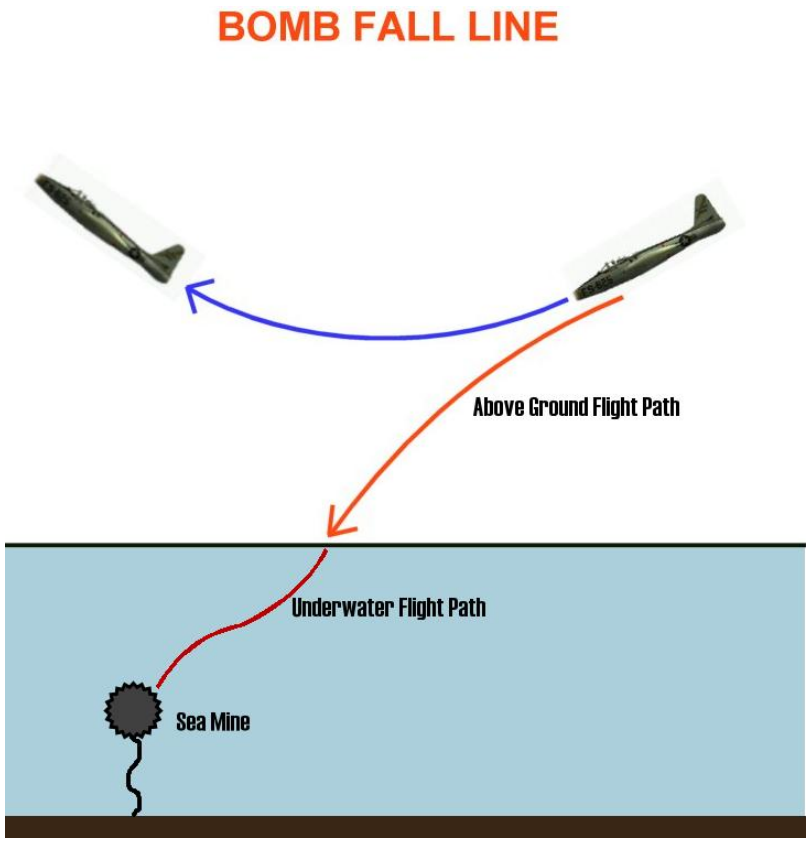
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Bomb Strike for Mine Clearance (STRIKE35)



Brief Description

- **Development of Navy's operational model (STRIKE35) for predicting bomb trajectory in air, water, and sediment columns.**
- **Development of bomb-strike prediction model for bomb with a tangent Ogive nose**
- **Core dynamic model development and verification**
- **Full and reduced size bomb striking exercises**
- **Ensemble modeling development**
- **Interfaces to other modeling**

Thesis Students

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Presentation Overview

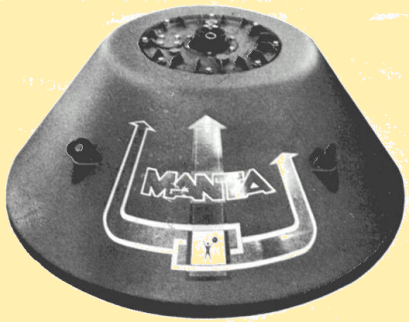
PART I

MIDEX II

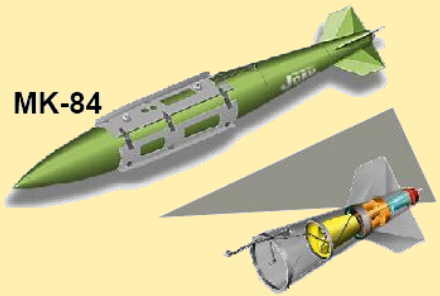
Bomb Strike

PART II

PART III



The Experiment



Results

Results

PART IV

PART V

Research Objectives

MIDEX II (LT Charles Allen's Thesis, FY06)
Increase the operational effectiveness of IMPACT35 through the study and characterization of real-world naval mines.

Bomb Strike Experiment (LT Greg Ray's Thesis,FY06)

Improve warhead lethality for use in quick, precise and accurate strikes on known enemy naval minefields in the littoral combat environment.

Conclusions

- CNMOC-NAVO-NPS Thesis Program is an Optimal Program for CNMOC, METOC Officers, and NPS.