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# Motivations

- Mimic interaction wave / (small-scale) current
  - Small-scale currents are hardly observed or simulated
  - Waves see them during very short time
- Quantification of associated modelling errors
  -  Ensemble forecasts and data assimilation
- Improve the Scalian's wave simulator
- Study influence of swell / current interactions onto satellite altimetry

# Part I

# Scalian



# SCALIAN

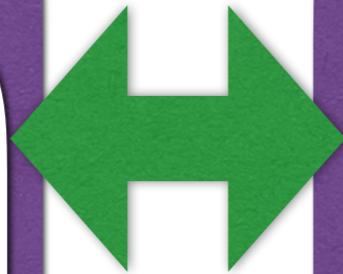
## L@b

(~ 15 peoples)

Research, R&T, R&D

### Expertise:

- Geophysical fluid dyn.
- Signal, data assimilation
- Machine Learning
- Multi-agents systems
- Drones



## CEN « Simulation » (~ 70 people)

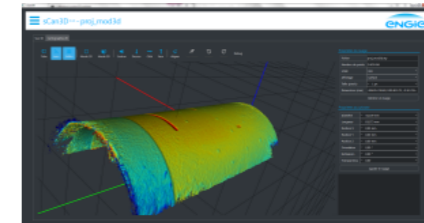
R&D and engineering

### Expertise:

- Radar, optronics, sonar
- Geophysical fluid dyn.
- Mechanical and thermal

### Business:

- Scientific softwares
- Simulations, HPC
- VR & AR



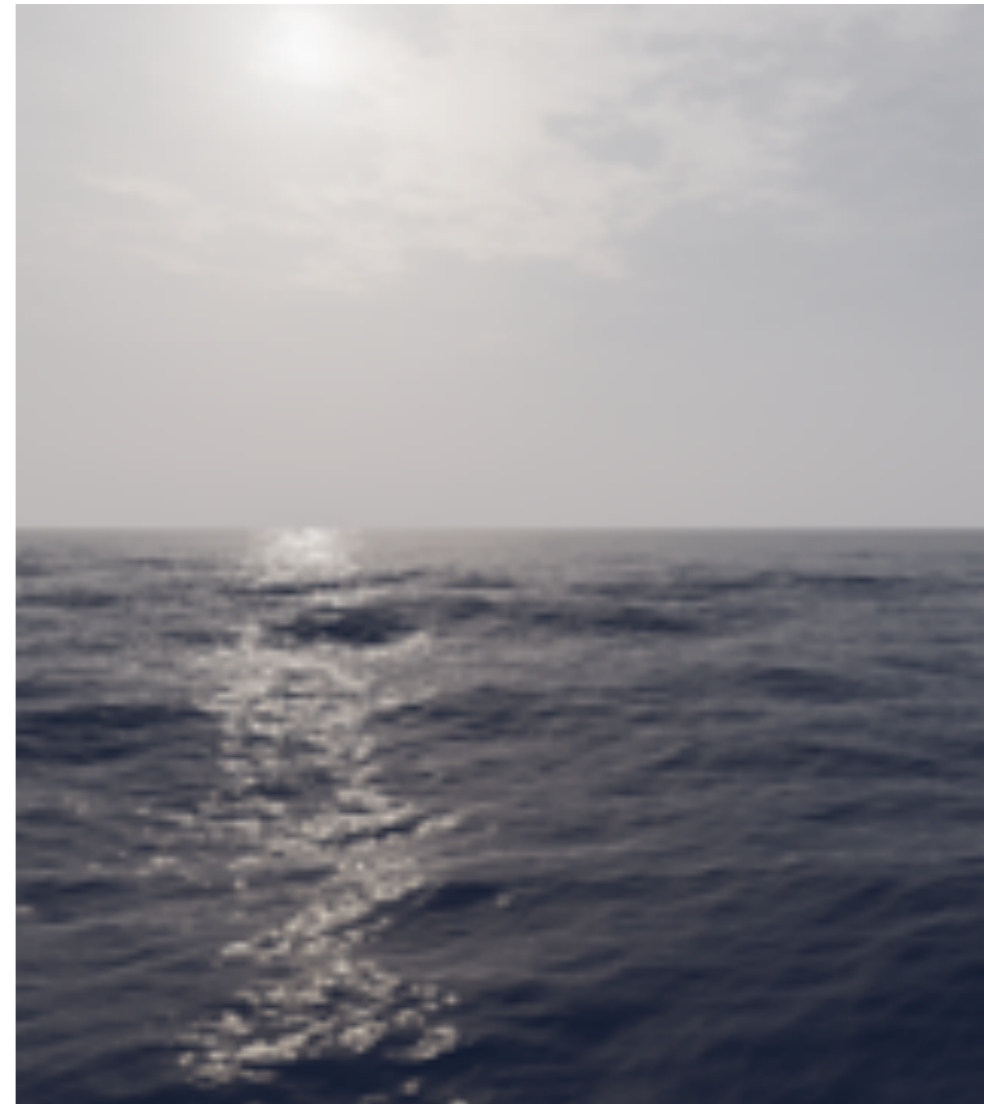
## Other Business Units

~ 2400 people



# SeaMotion-radar simulator

- Simple (mainly linear dynamics) and fast simulation of surface gravity waves
- Coupled with radar simulation
- Lot of physical phenomena taking into account
- Used to study satellite altimetry measurements



# Part II

## Waves LU

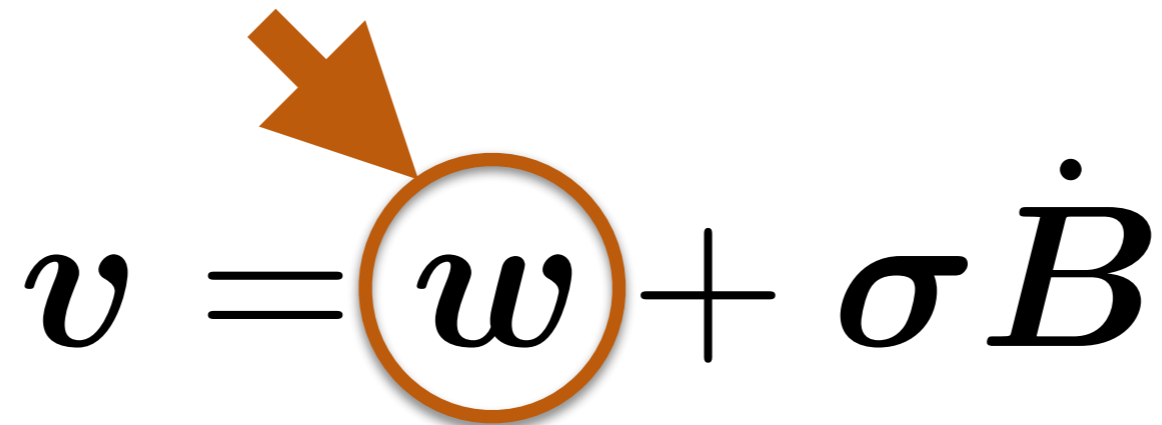
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random velocity

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Crisan et al., 2017  
Gay-Balmaz & Holm 2017  
Cotter and al 2018 a, b

# Dispersion ratio

At the first order  
in steepness :

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$$\omega$$

Small scales:

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Frequency without currents

$$\omega_0(k) = \sqrt{g \|k\|}$$



# Case 0: Stationary deterministic velocity

Random ray

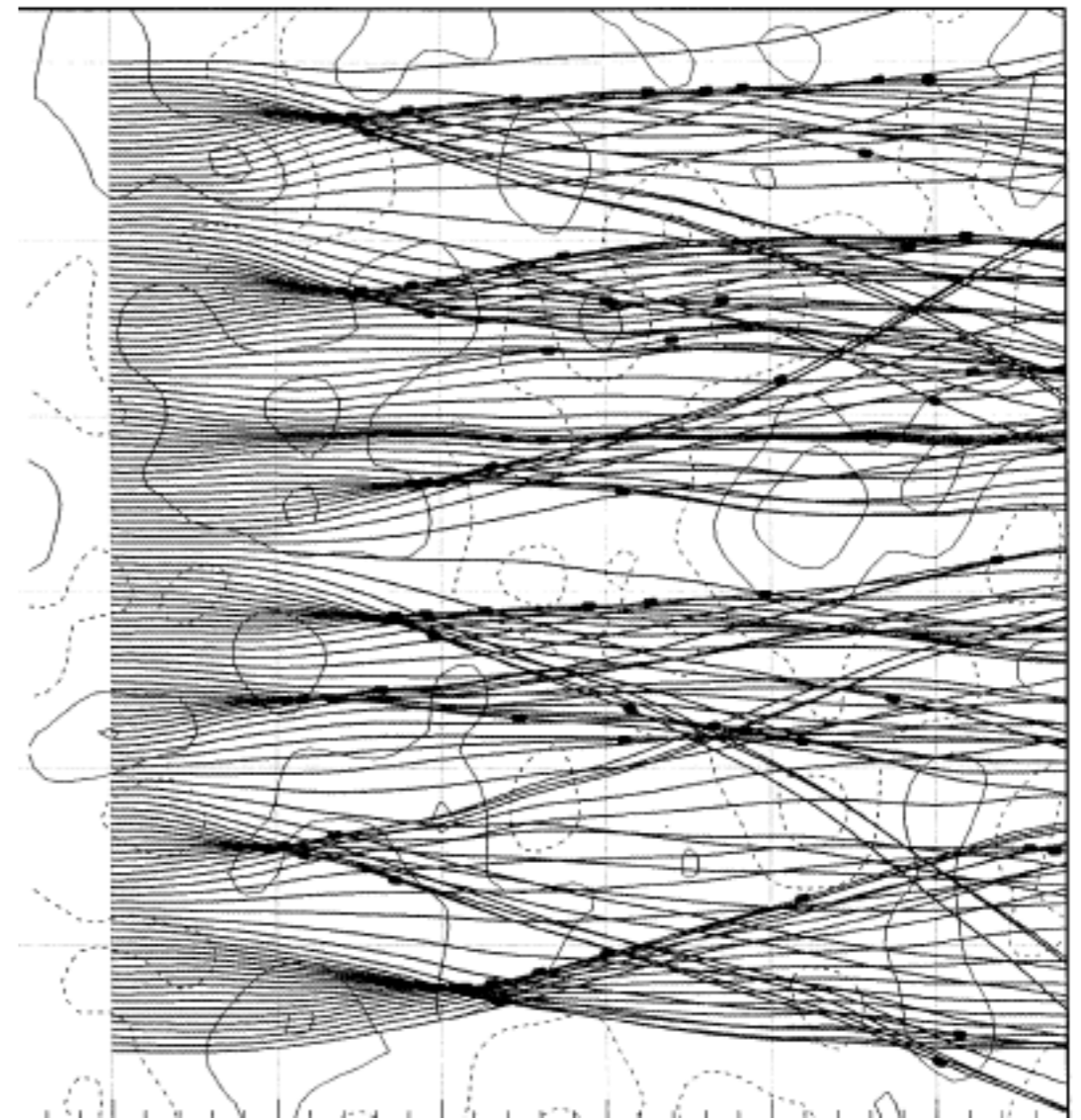
$$\dot{X}_R = u_g$$

Stretching of phase

$$\dot{k} = -\nabla w^T k$$

Conservation of  
action

$$\text{cst.} = A = \frac{a^2}{\omega_0}$$



White & Fornberg 1997

Large scale  
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$$\boldsymbol{w} + \nabla_{\boldsymbol{k}} \omega_0$$

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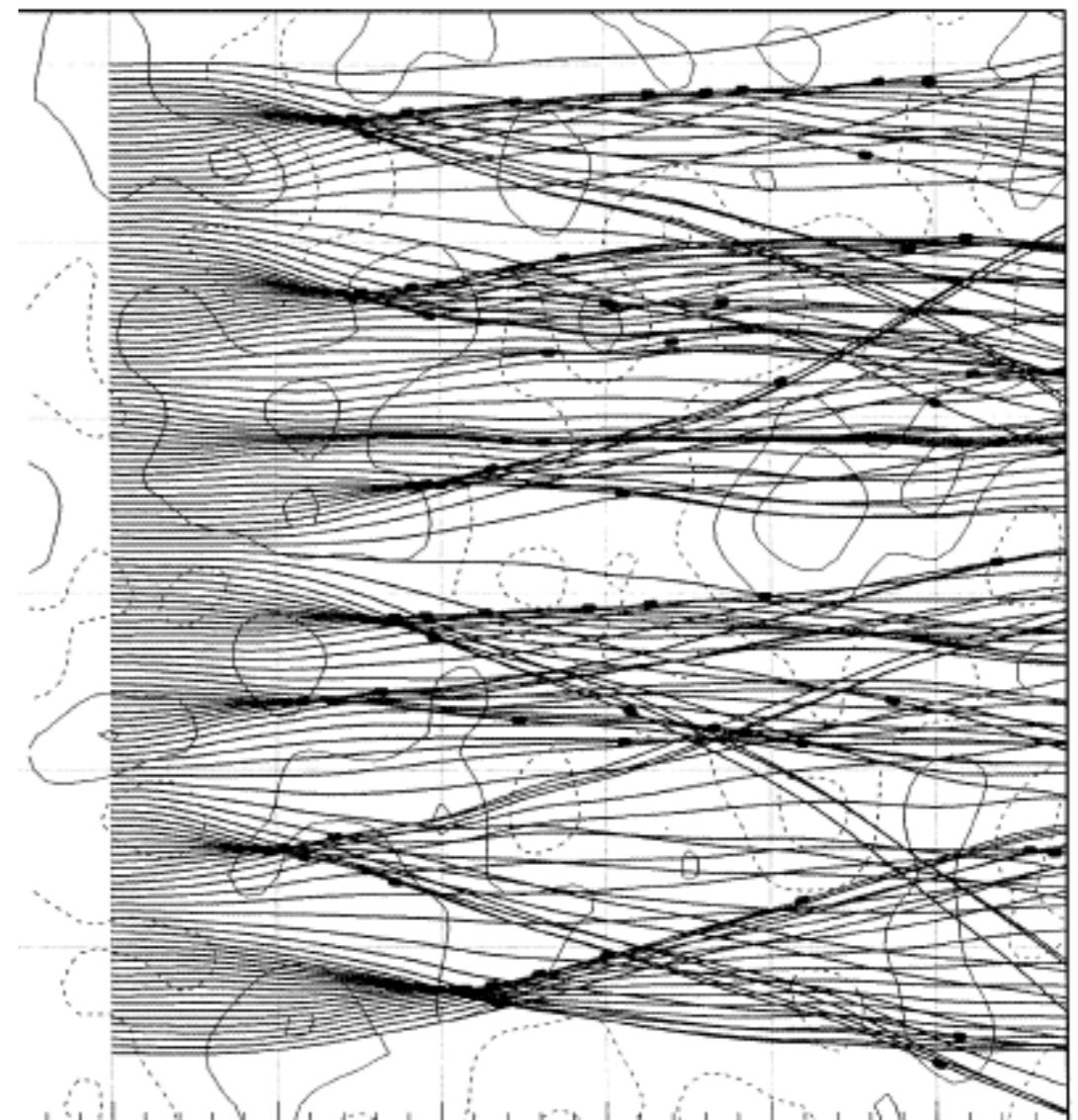
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Simple linear case 1:  
stationary deterministic,  
divergence-free and  
linear in x large-scale velocity

Stretching of phase

$$\dot{\mathbf{k}} = -\nabla \omega^T \mathbf{k}$$

Ratio  
effective rotation / strain rate

$$r = \frac{\omega}{\sigma_w}$$

Wave:

$$a e^{\frac{i}{\epsilon} \phi}$$

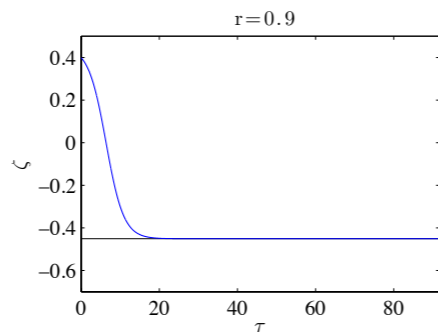
Doppler frequency:

$$\omega_0 =$$

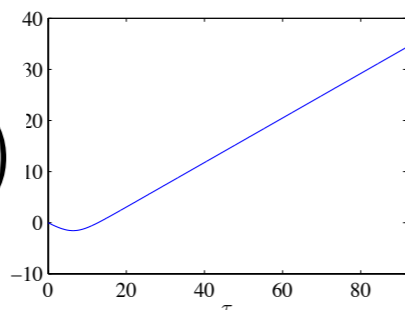
$$\sqrt{g \|\mathbf{k}\|}$$

$$|r| < 1$$

Hyperbolic

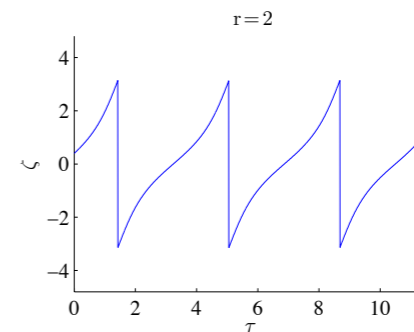


$\ln(\|\mathbf{k}\|)$

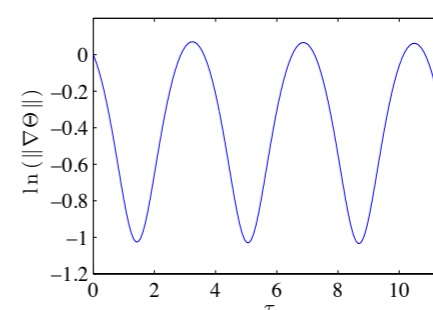


$$|r| > 1$$

Elliptic



$\ln(\|\mathbf{k}\|)$



$$\frac{D\zeta}{D\tau} = r - \cos(\zeta)$$

$$\frac{D}{D\tau} \ln(\|\mathbf{k}\|) = -\sin(\zeta)$$

Large scale group velocity:

$$\boldsymbol{w} + \nabla_k \omega_0$$

Small scale group velocity:

$$\sigma \dot{B}$$

Variance tensor:

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Wave:

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Doppler frequency:

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# Simple linear case 2:

no large-scale current  
+ homogeneous and divergence-free  
small-scale velocity

$$\beta(\boldsymbol{x}) e^{i(\omega_0 t + \boldsymbol{k} \cdot \sigma B_t)}$$

Wave with  
Brownian phase

Stochastic stretching of phase

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{k}} = -\nabla(\sigma \dot{B})^T \boldsymbol{k}$$

Log-normal wave-number

Conservation of action

$$\text{cst.} = A = \frac{a^2}{\omega_0}$$

Log-normal amplitude

Large scale group velocity:

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Wave:

$$a e^{\frac{i}{\epsilon} \phi}$$

Doppler frequency:

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## Simple linear case 3:

divergence-free and linear-in-x large-scale current  
+ homogeneous and divergence-free  
small-scale velocity

Stochastic stretching  
of phase

$$\dot{k} = -\nabla (w + \sigma \dot{B})^T k$$

Action

$$\text{cst.} = \frac{a^2}{\omega_0}$$

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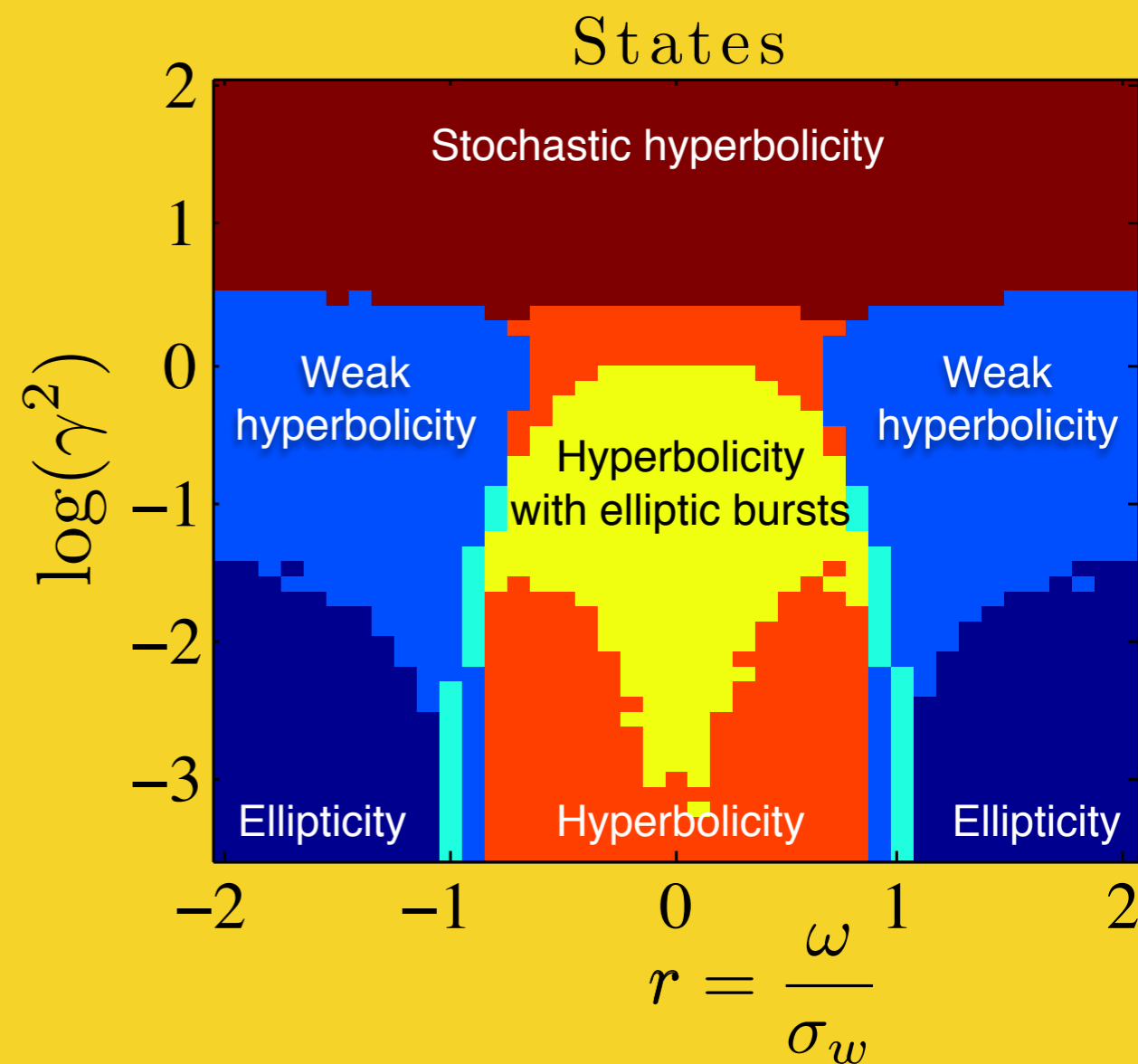
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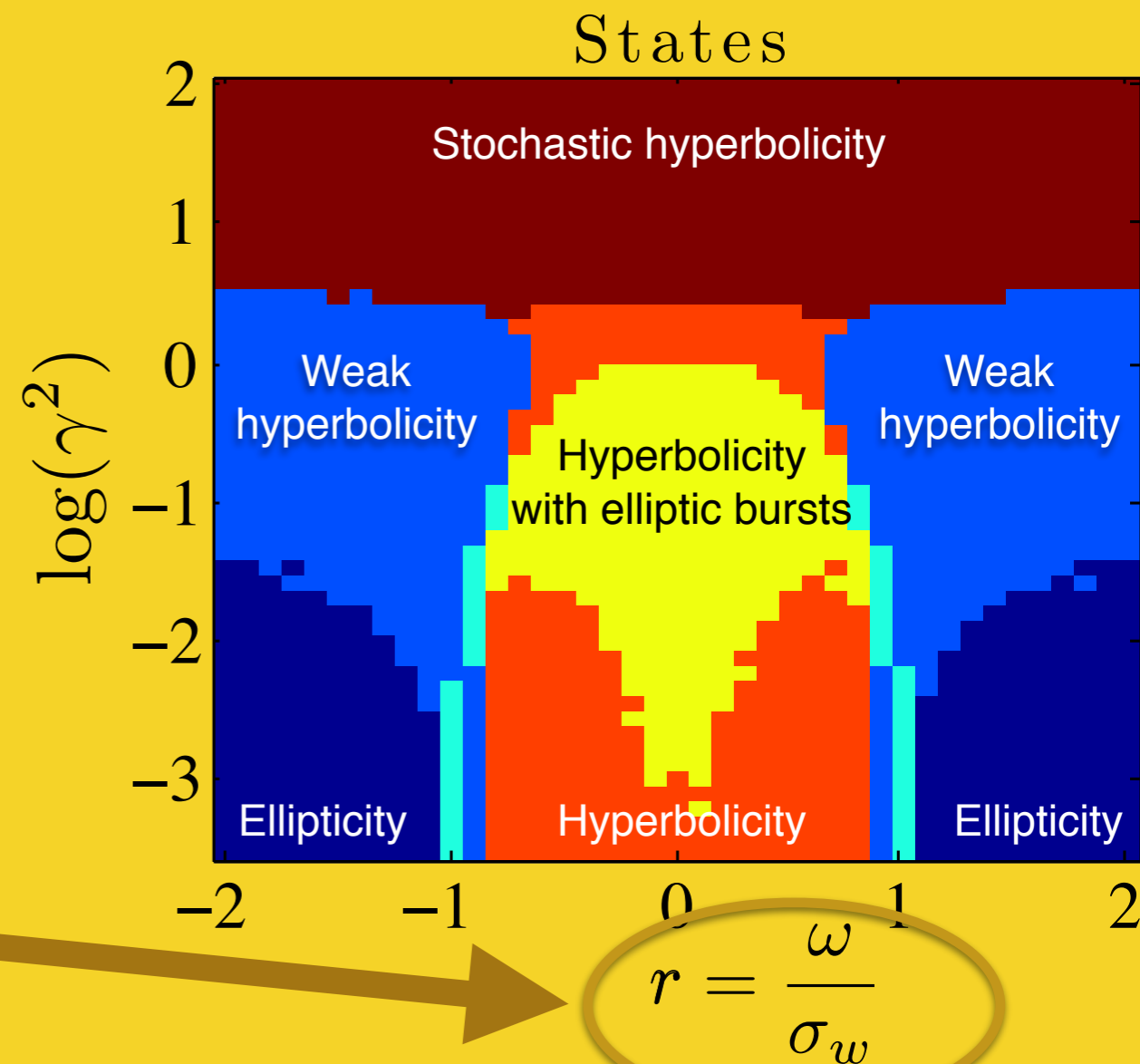
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Ratio effective rotation / strain rate



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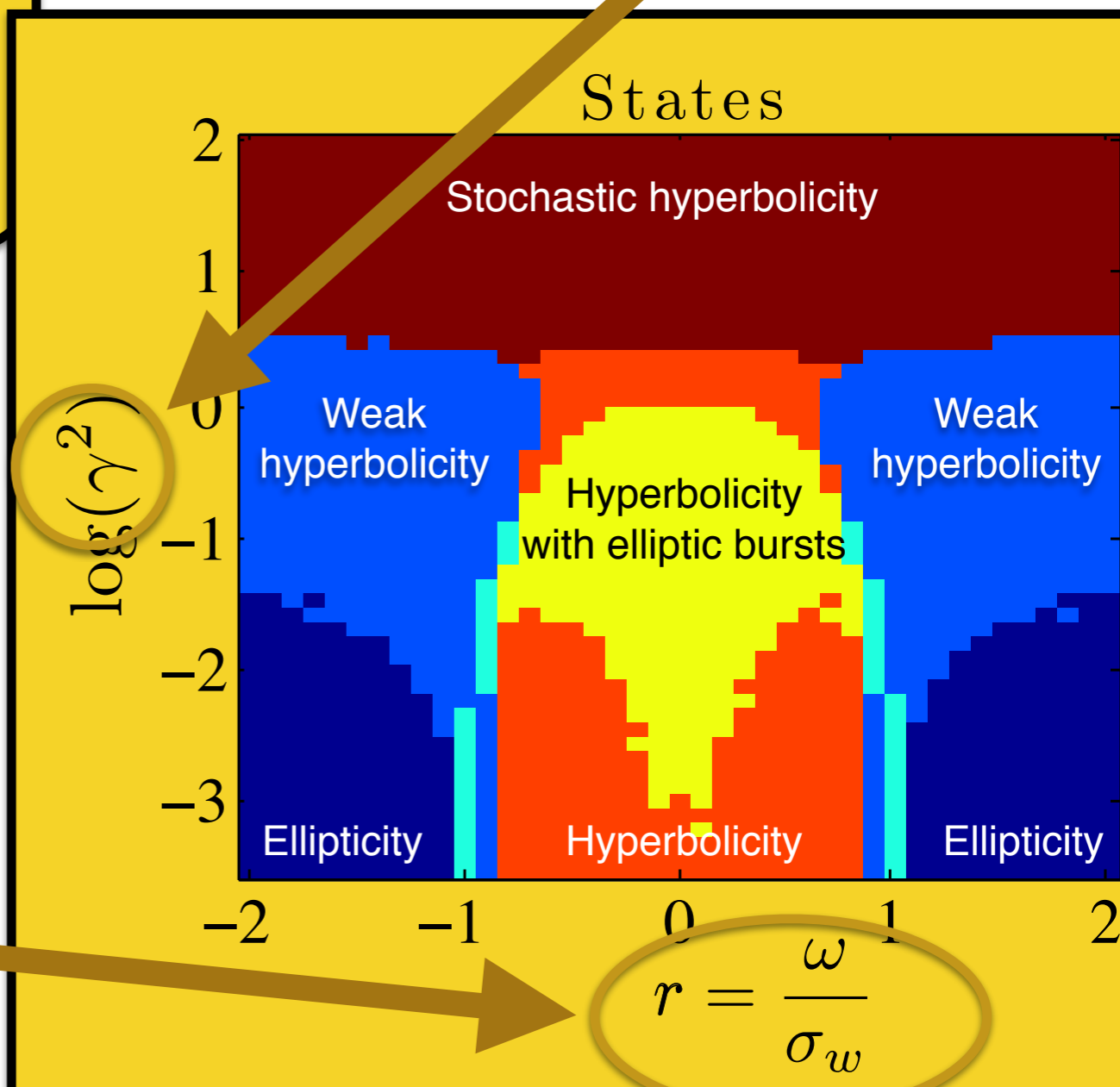
Stochastic stretching of phase

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Action

$$\text{cst.} = \frac{a^2}{\omega_0}$$

Depends on small scale's statistics



Ratio effective rotation / strain rate



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# General case

$$\dot{X}_R = u_g \quad \text{Random ray}$$

Stochastic stretching of phase

$$\dot{k} = \left( -\nabla (w + \sigma \dot{B})^T + (\nabla \sigma^T)^2 \right) k \quad \left| \quad \text{Wave-vector} \right.$$

Conservation of action

$$\dot{A} = -\nabla \cdot u_g A \quad \left| \quad A = \frac{a^2}{\omega_0} \quad \text{Amplitude} \right.$$

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Doppler frequency:

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# General case

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{X}}_R = \underbrace{\boldsymbol{u}_g}_{\text{Function of } \boldsymbol{k}} \quad \text{Random ray}$$

Stochastic stretching of phase

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{k}} = \left( -\nabla (\boldsymbol{w} + \sigma \dot{\boldsymbol{B}})^T + (\nabla \sigma^T)^2 \right) \boldsymbol{k} \quad \Bigg| \quad \text{Wave-vector}$$

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Function of  $x$

Conservation of action

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Non-linear coupling

$$\dot{X}_R = \underbrace{u_g}_{\text{Function of } k} \quad \text{Random ray}$$

Stochastic stretching of phase

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# Conclusion

# Conclusion and outlooks

- Method of characteristics : low computational costs  
We can simulate a lot of realisations, and initial conditions
- Understanding the dynamics with increasing complexity
- Tests against statistical physics results and satellite measurements.  
Test case : Wave spectra variations due to Agulhas courant
- Integration into the SeaMotion Radar
- Which are the swell / current effects on satellite measurements?
- Outlook : stochastic Wave Watch III