# WP3: Sea State Forecasting and Resource Evaluation

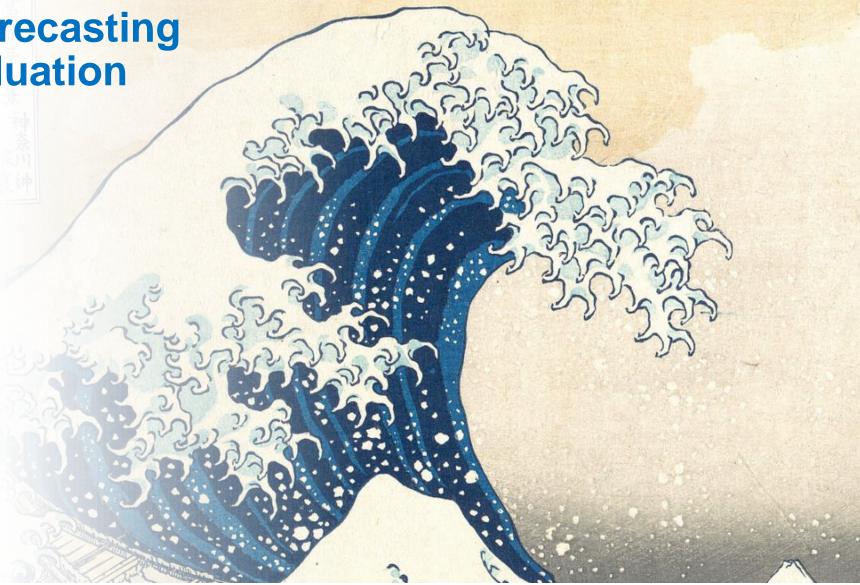
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### **SmartWave** – High accuracy & high spatial fidelity wave prediction

Motivation: Development of SmartWave to simulate parameters useful for marine renewables.

Artificial Intelligence (Artificial Neural Network – ANN and Convolutional Neural Network – CNN) will be advanced to estimate key oceanographic parameters i.e. wave height, direction, frequency, and speed. State-of-the-art remote sensing monitoring and in situ data from European Space Agency satellite Sentinel 1 (Synthetic Aperture Radar – SAR) will be utilised, whilst access to high-fidelity data from the Cefas WaveNet buoys will provide ground truth data for validation.



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### **Satellite SAR images**

Satellite images are capable of providing hindcast information in very high resolution

How it works:

- Radar transmits a pulse
- Some of the energy in the radar pulse is reflected back
- Every pixel of a complex SAR image contains amplitude and phase information.

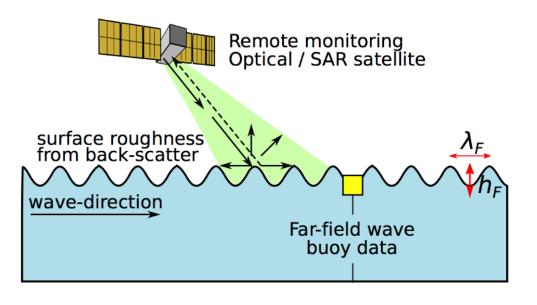
Can provide information about the sea roughness

Using SAR images has benefits:

- Unaffected by weather
- Unaffected by cloud cover
- Larger datasets



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#### How it works

ANN based system

Data Acquisition	Data processing	Artificial neural networks (ANNs)	Spatial distribution
<ul> <li>Sentinel 1 - SAR Images</li> <li>Buoy data</li> </ul>	Initial processing, Extract parameters related to sea roughness from different SAR image bands	Correlate sea roughness parameters to buoy data	Apply ANNs to derive sea state in any location



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### **Example results – Burbo Bank**

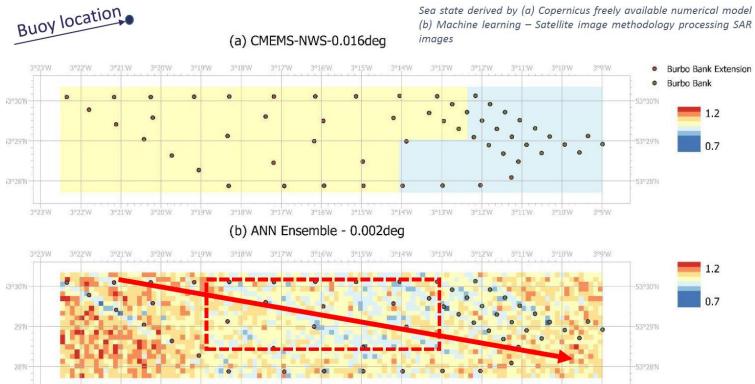
Comparison of Sea state conditions at 2/4/2019 06:32:16am

Buoy data: 0.89m (6:30am) - 1.07m (7:00am)

Numerical model at the buoy: 0.92m

#### ANN Ensemble: 0.95m

- Same trend of significant wave height for both hindcasts
- Higher resolution for machine learning-satellite image methodology
- Possible to identify pattens like sheltering in the inner wind turbines compared to the ones that are at the edge of the wind farm.



Tapoglou, E., Forster, R. M., Dorrell, R. M., & Parsons, D. (2021). Machine learning for satellite-based sea-state prediction in an offshore windfarm. Ocean Engineering, 235, 109280.

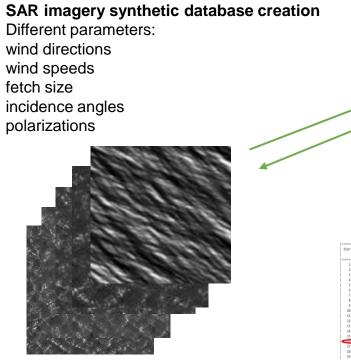


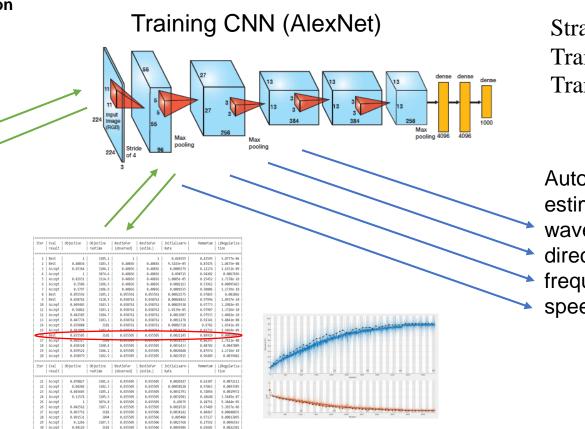
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#### CNN based system

#### Deep learning





Strategies: Training from scratch Transfer learning with real data

Automated classification and estimation of sea state parameters: wave height direction frequency speed

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Bayesian optimization to find optimal network hyperparameters

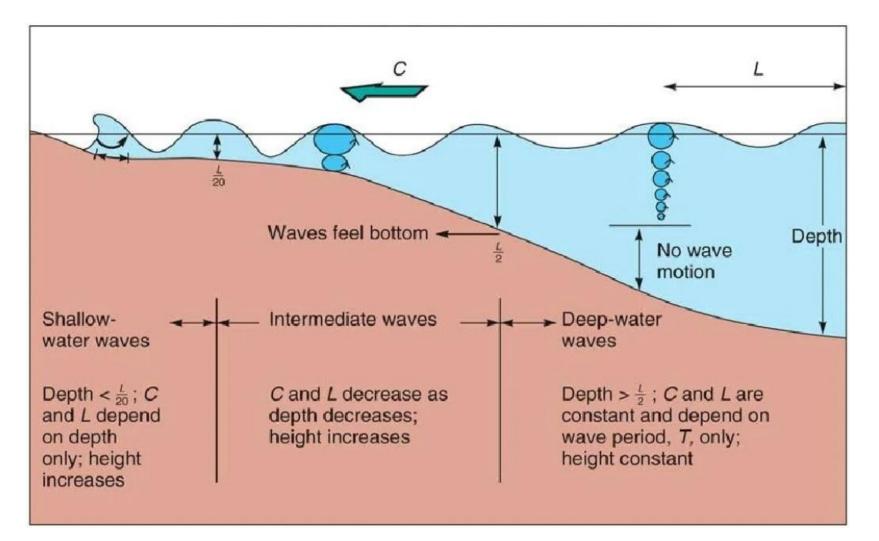


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#### **Relationship between wavelength and water depth**

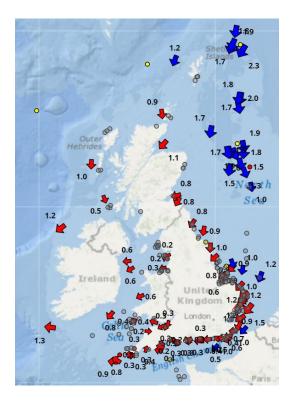




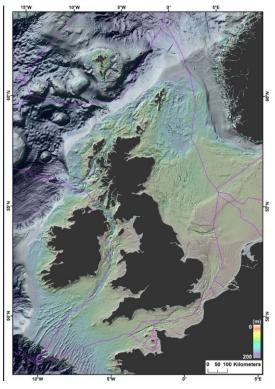


#### Mapping of shallow, intermediate, and deep-water areas

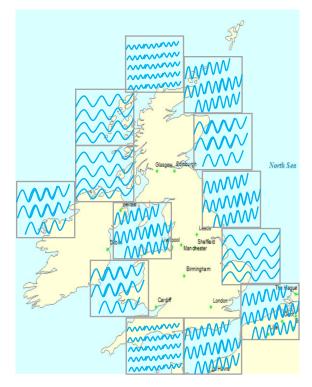
Cefas WaveNet buoys



Bathymetry offshore model of the UK (EMODnet and GEBCO)



Determination of uniform waves zones



Dove, D., Bradwell, T., Carter, G., Cotterill, C., Gafeira Goncalves, J., Green, S., ... & Ottesen, D. (2016). Seabed geomorphology: a two-part classification system.

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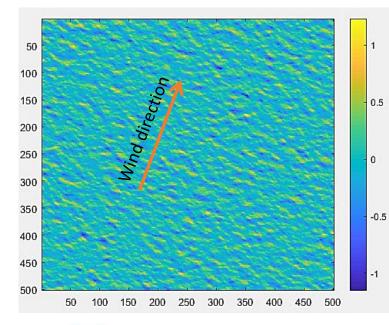


### **Sea Surface Modelling - Linear theory**

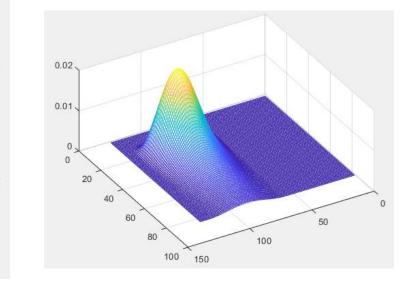
The irregular sea surface elevation model can be expressed as:

$$Z_{sea}(x, y, z, t) = \sum_{i} \sum_{j} A_{ij} \cos[k_i (x \cos \theta_j + y \sin \theta_j) - \omega_i t + r_{ij}]$$

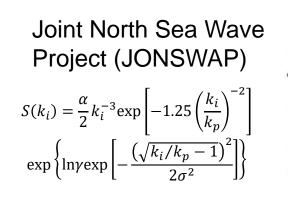
Wind speed Vw = 7 m/s

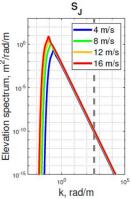


 $A_{ij} = \sqrt{2S(k_i)D(k_i,\theta_j)dk_id\theta_j}$ 

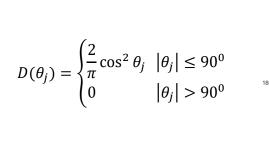


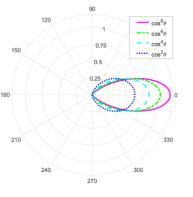
#### **Omnidirectional spectrum**





#### Directional spreading function







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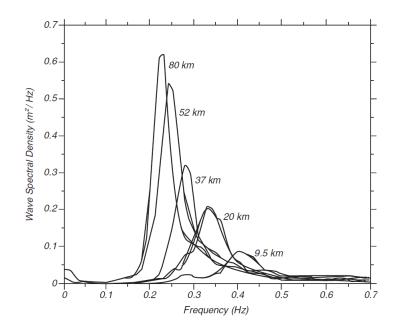




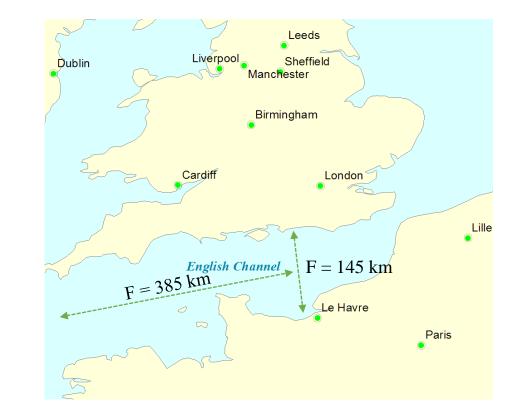
### **Sea Surface Modelling – Fetch length**

The fetch is a significant factor in the development of wind waves

JONSWAP wave spectrum for different fetches



Stewart, R. H. (2008). Introduction to physical oceanography.



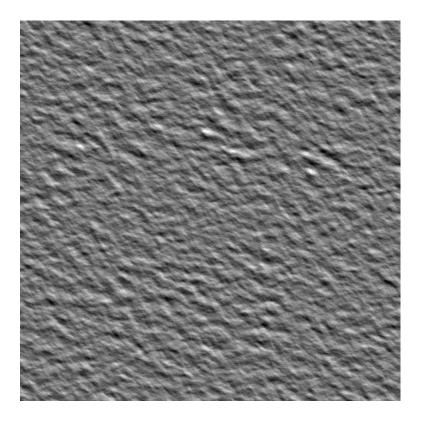




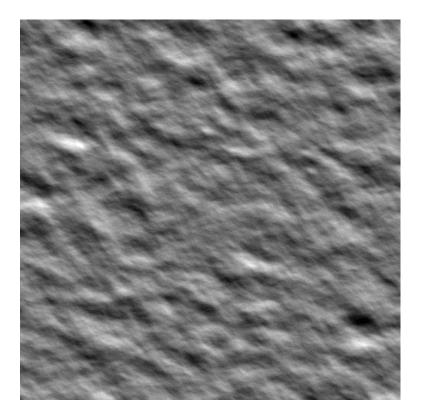


#### **Sea Surface Modelling – Time domain**

Vw = 7 m/s, F = 20 km



Vw = 7 m/s, F = 105 km







#### **SAR image simulation – velocity bunching of gravity waves**

$$I(x,y) = \frac{\pi T_i}{2V} \iint \delta(y-y_0) \frac{\overline{\sigma}(x_0,y_0)}{p_a^1(x_0,y_0)} \times \exp\left\{-\pi^2 \left[\frac{x-x_0 - \frac{R}{V}u_r(x_0,y_0)}{p_a^1(x_0,y_0)}\right]^2\right\} dx_0 dy_0$$

$$p'_a(x,y) = N_l p_a \left[1 + \frac{\pi^2 T_i^4}{N_l^2 \lambda^2} \overline{A}_r(x,y) + \frac{1}{N_l^2} \frac{T_i^2}{\tau_c^2}\right]^{1/2}$$
Degraded azimuthal resolution
$$p_a = \frac{\lambda R}{2VT_i}$$
Single-look azimuthal resolution
$$R/V \text{ is the range-to-velocity ratio}$$

SAR scanning geometry





### **SAR simulation**

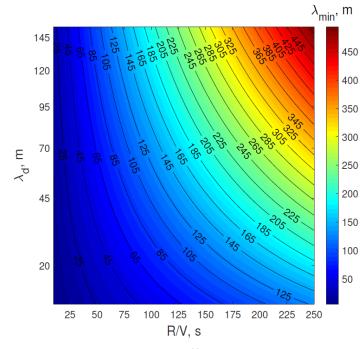
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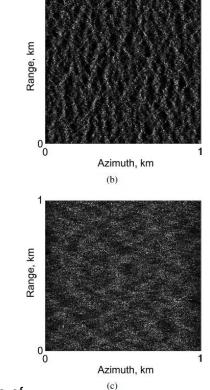
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The important limitation of SAR imaging of waves moving in flight direction which is associated with the velocity bunching is the azimuthal cut-off effect.

The minimal detectable wavelength of the surface waves can be approximated as





 $\lambda_{\min} = C_0 \frac{R}{V} \sqrt{H_s}$ 

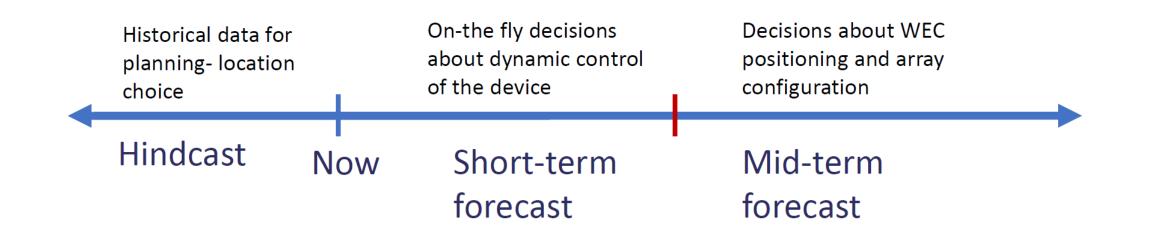
Simulated SAR images of the sea surface with Vw = 10.7 m/s and  $\lambda d$  = 95.5 m for (b) airborne (R/V = 23.1 s) and (c) satellite (R/V = 107.1 s) platforms.

Rizaev, I. G., Karakuş, O., Hogan, S. J., & Achim, A. (2022). Modeling and SAR Imaging of the Sea Surface: a Review of the State-of-the-Art with Simulations. ISPRS Journal of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing, 187, 120-140.





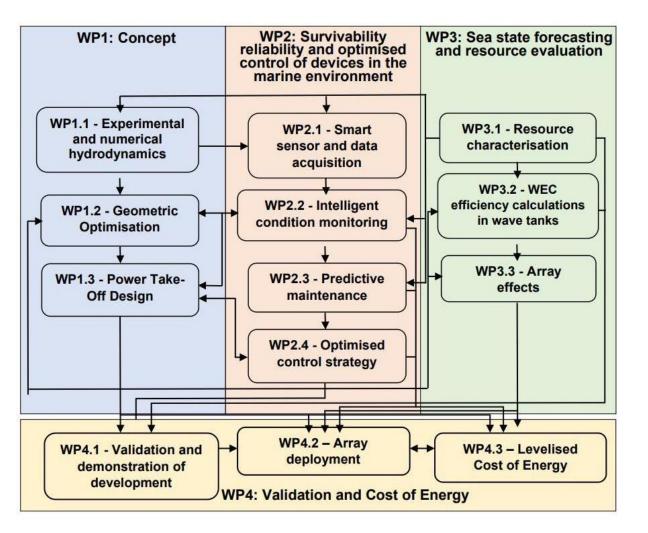
#### **Uses of SmartWave**







#### **Interaction with other WPs**





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