

Sensors and models in oil spill response

Time-efficient decision making during oil spill response actions require up-to-date information on the **present situation** and **possible outcomes**. Such information can be produced by combining near-real-time data from sensors in the area, up-to-date metocean forecasts, and numerical models for prediction.

- **Sensor usage:**

- Find relevant sensors in the area (discovery)
- Access and use these sensors (tasking)



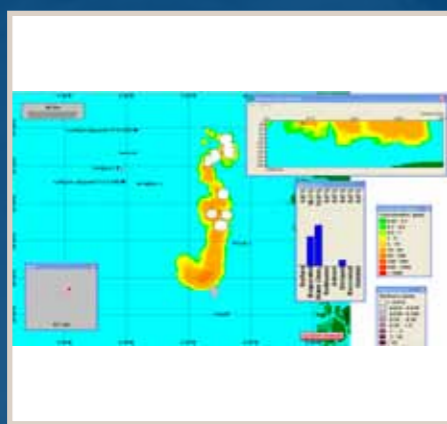
- **Relevant sensor data:**

- Metocean (current, wave etc)
- Oil spill properties (e.g. slick position)
- Biological resources (e.g. zooplankton concentration)
- Response resources (e.g. vessel locations)



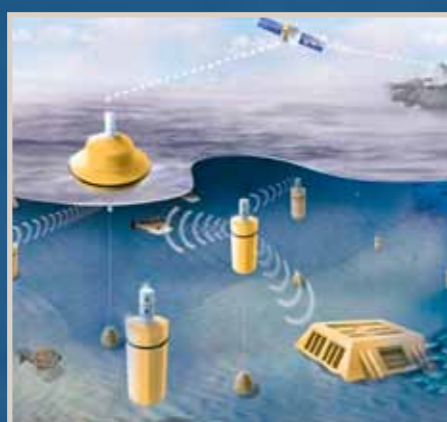
- **Sensor data:**

- Transfer
- Storage
- Processing
- Meaning (meta-data)
- Uncertainty
- Integration (fusion)



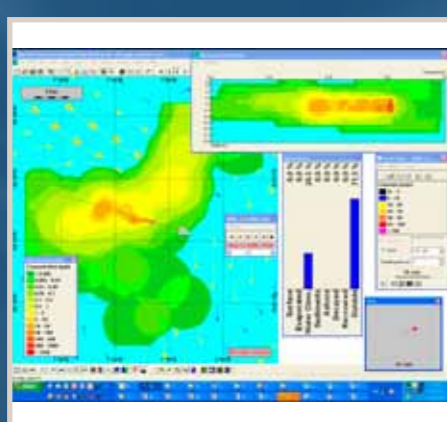
- **Models:**

- Drive models with up-to-date metocean forecasts
- Update models by assimilating sensor data

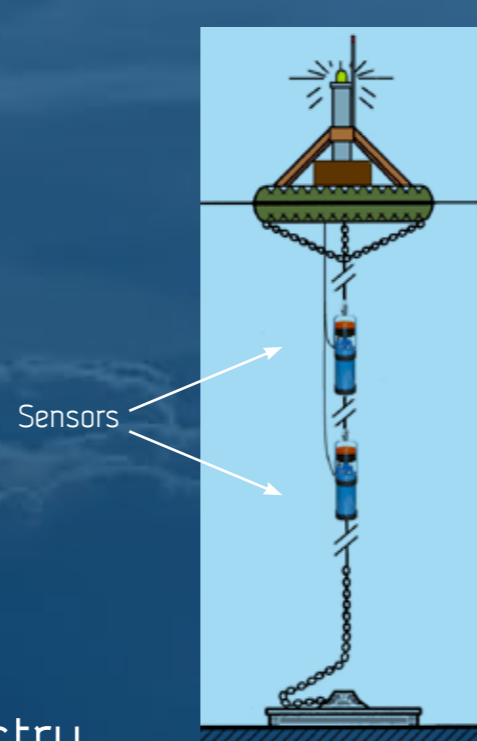


- **Decision support:**

- Identify response options and their time windows
- Predict and quantify effects of alternative response strategies
- Recommend optimal response strategy

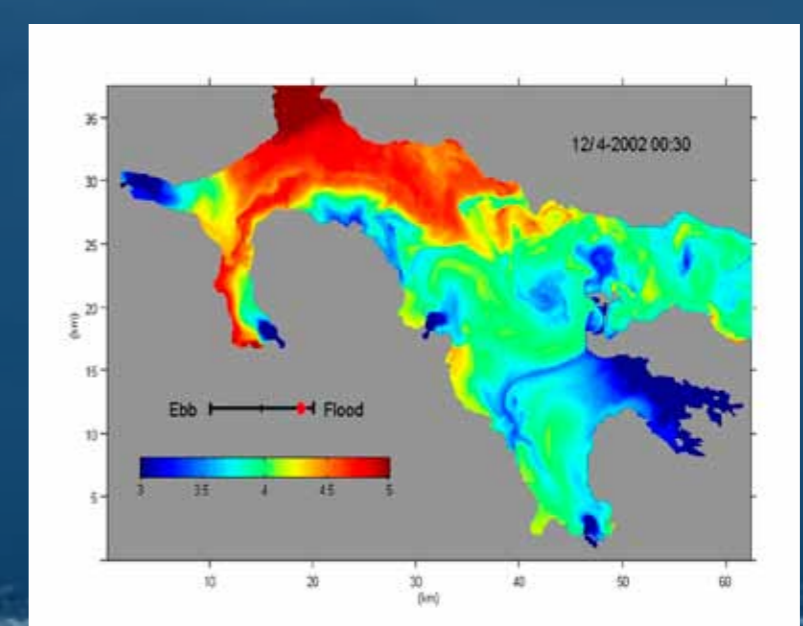
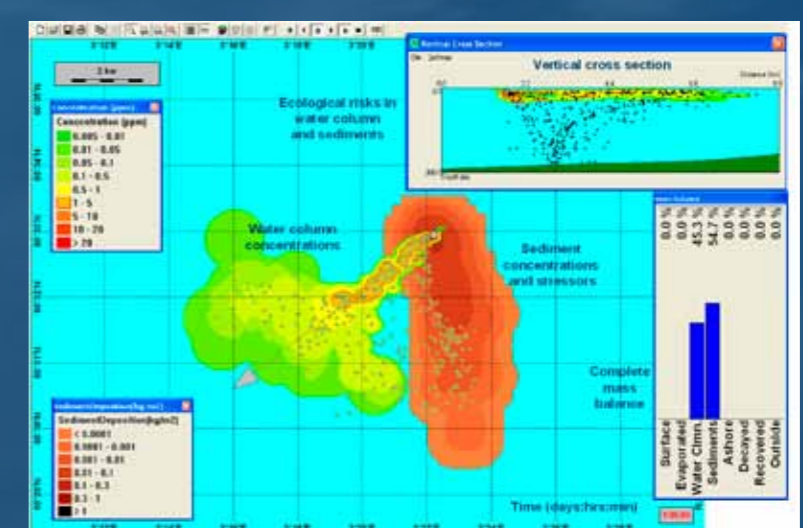


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Sensors

Models



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