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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



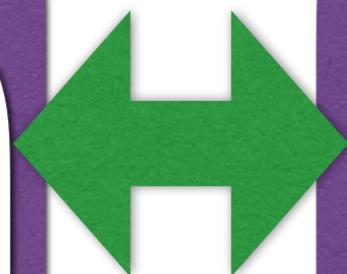
# SCALIAN

L@b  
(~ 15 peoples)

Research, R&T, R&D

#### Expertise:

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



#### Other Business Units

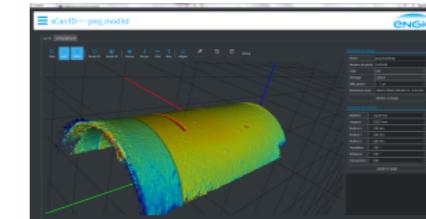
~ 2400 people

CEN « Simulation » (~ 70 people)

R&D and engineering

#### Expertise:

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



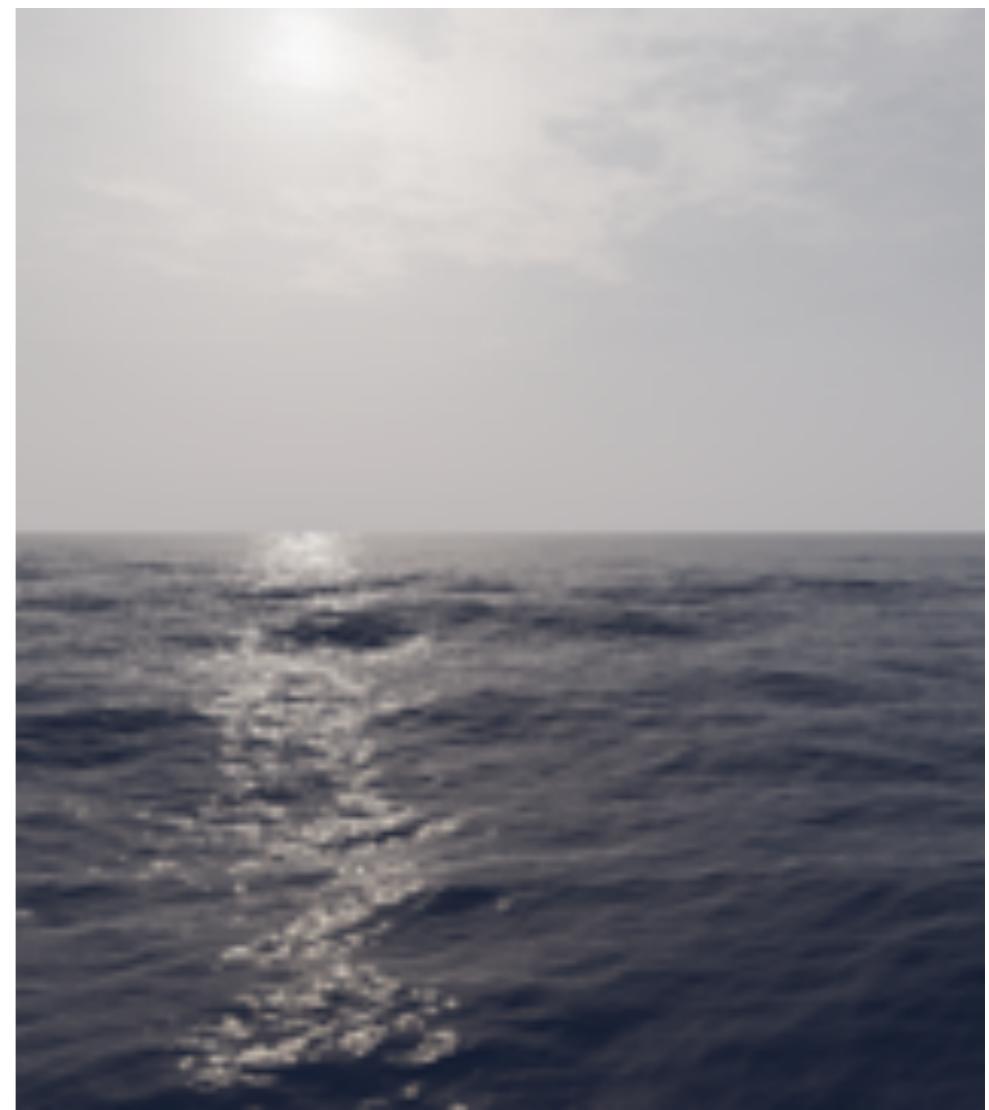
#### Business:

- Scientific softwares
- Simulations, HPC
- VR & AR



# 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

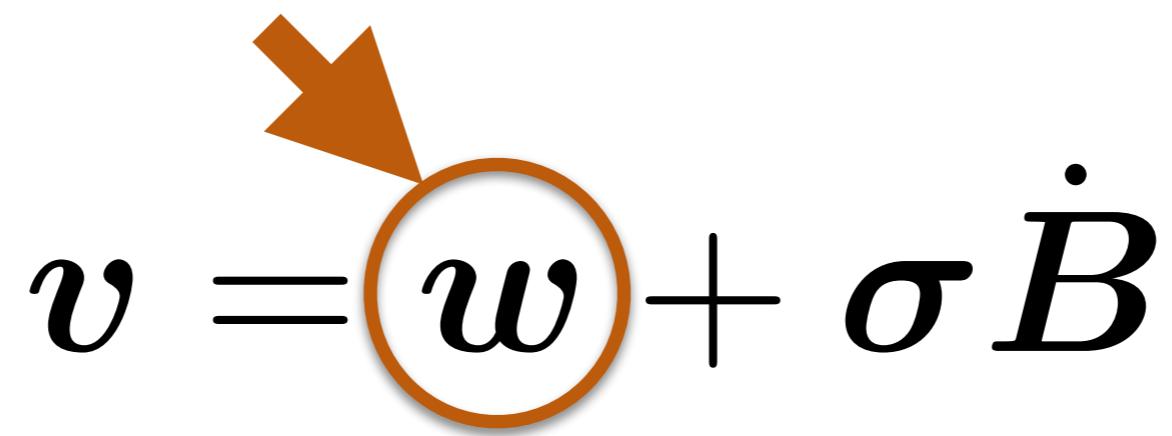
# Waves LU

LU :Adding  
random velocity

$$v = w + \sigma \dot{B}$$

# LU :Adding random velocity

Resolved  
large scales

$$v = w + \sigma \dot{B}$$


# LU :Adding random velocity

Resolved  
large scales

White-in-time  
small scales

$$v = w + \sigma \dot{B}$$

The diagram illustrates the decomposition of velocity  $v$  into two components. On the left, the symbol  $v$  is shown with an orange arrow pointing towards it, indicating the total velocity. To its right is the equation  $v = w + \sigma \dot{B}$ . The term  $w$  is enclosed in an orange circle and has an orange arrow pointing towards it, labeled "Resolved large scales". The term  $\sigma \dot{B}$  is enclosed in a purple circle and has a purple arrow pointing towards it, labeled "White-in-time small scales".

Large scales:

$$\mathbf{w}$$

Small scales:

$$\sigma \dot{\mathbf{B}}$$

Variance tensor:

$$\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{a}(x, x) = \frac{\mathbb{E}\{\boldsymbol{\sigma} d\mathbf{B} (\boldsymbol{\sigma} d\mathbf{B})^T\}}{dt}$$

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White-in-time  
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Wave:

$$ae^{\frac{i}{\epsilon} \phi}$$

Doppler frequency:

$$\omega_0 =$$

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

# Dispersion ratio

At the first order  
in steepness :

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$$\frac{D\phi}{Dt}$$

Frequency without currents

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

# Case 0: Stationary deterministic velocity

Random ray

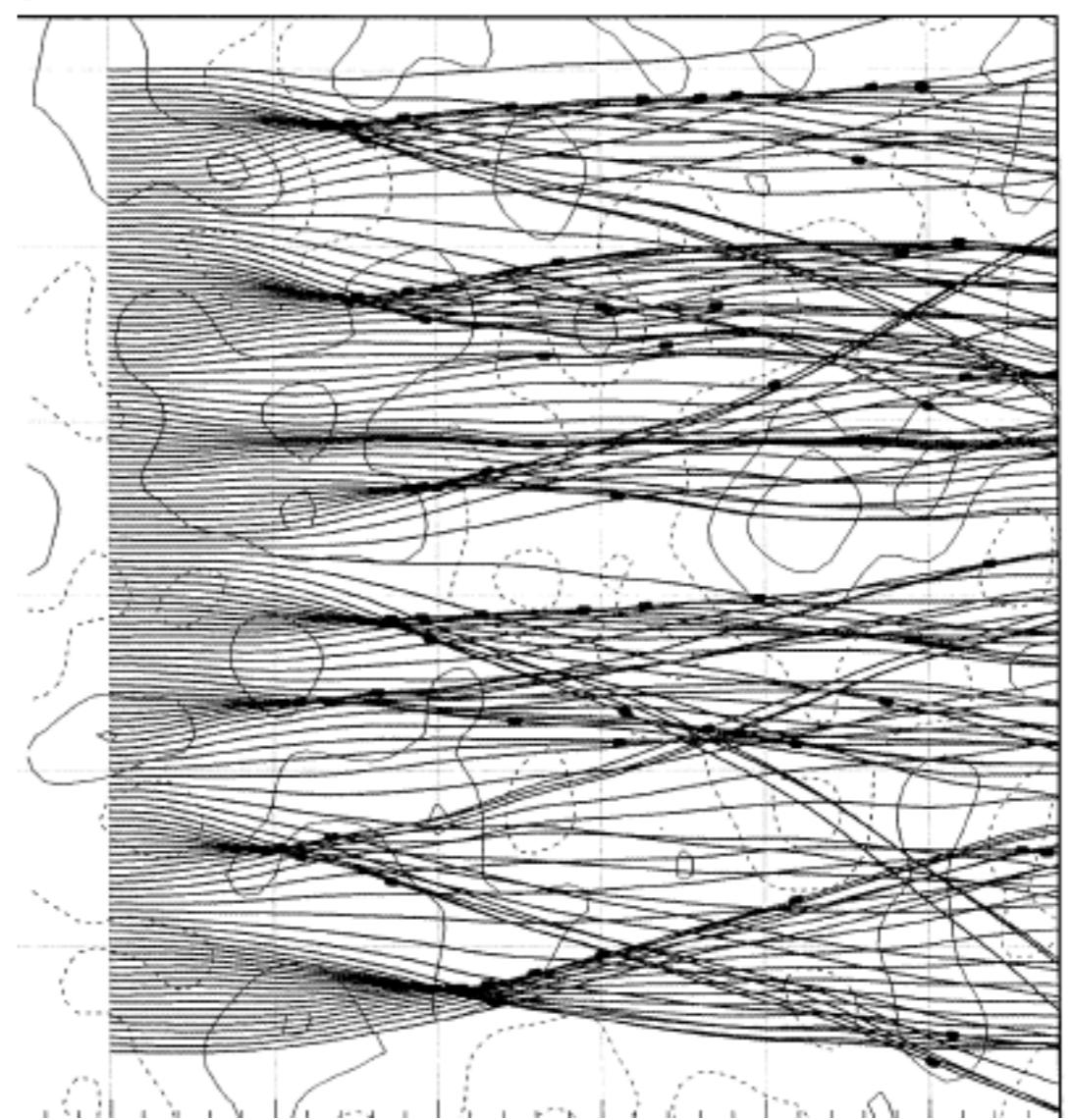
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Stretching of phase

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

Conservation of  
action

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



White & Fornberg 1997

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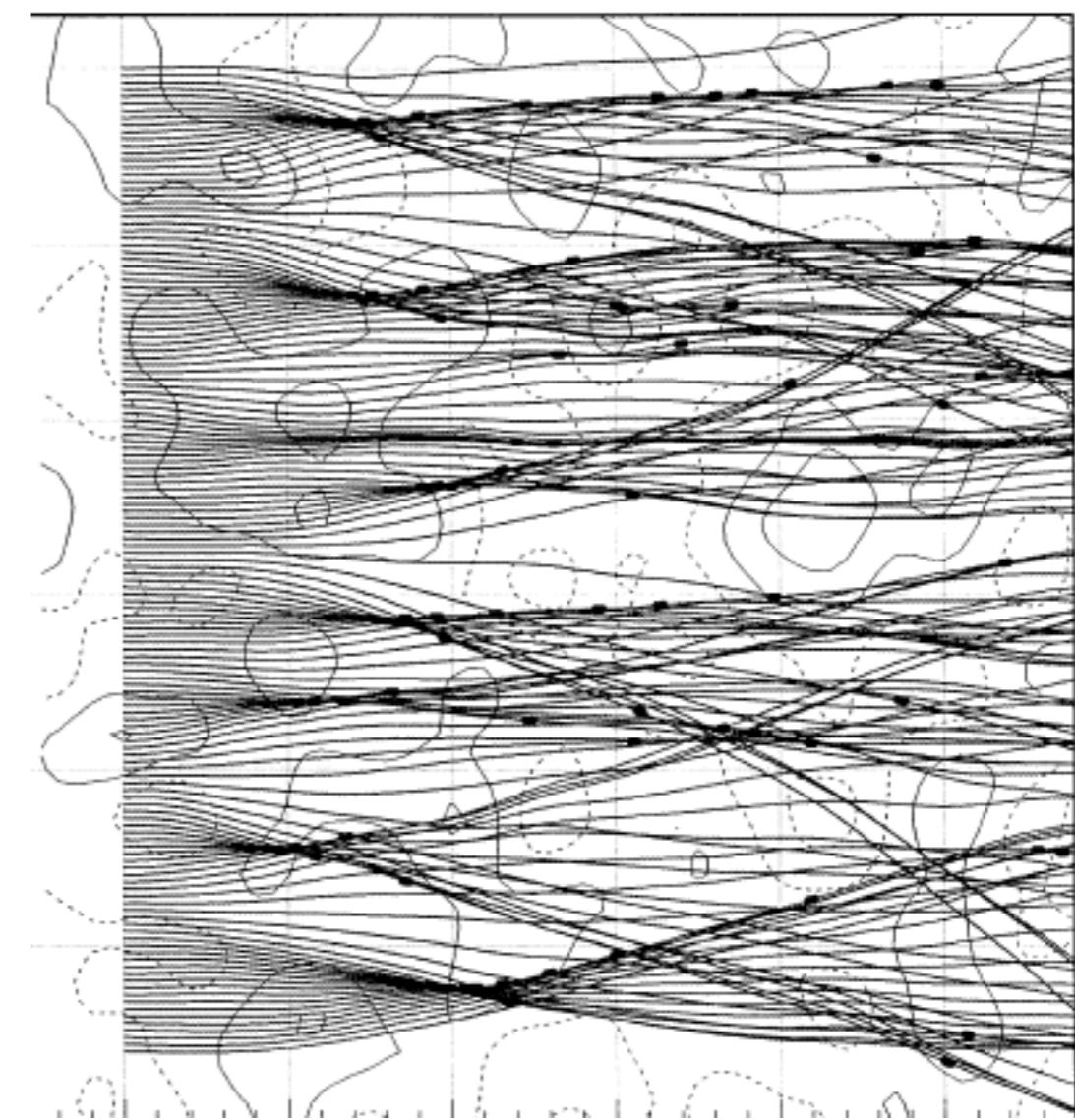
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Simple linear case 1:  
stationary deterministic,  
divergence-free and  
linear in x large-scale velocity

Stretching of phase

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

Ratio  
effective rotation / strain rate

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

Wave:

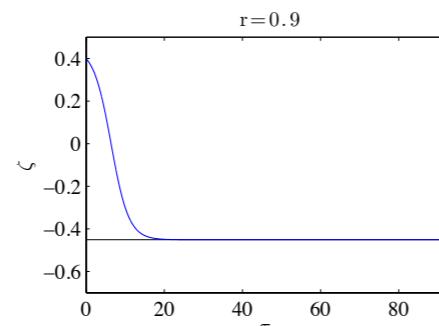
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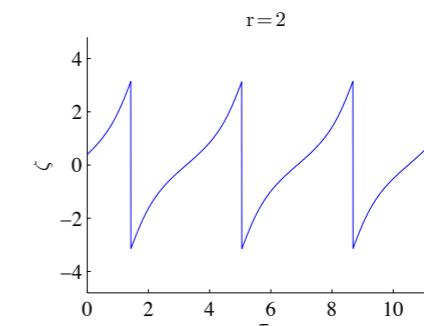
$$|r| < 1$$

Hyperbolic



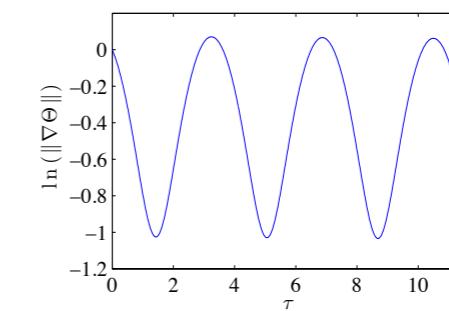
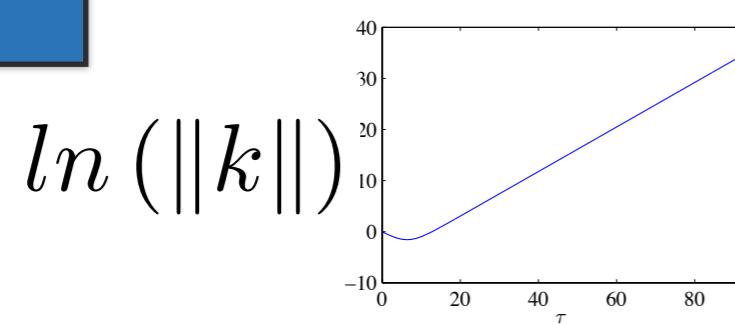
$$|r| > 1$$

Elliptic



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

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



$$\ln (\|k\|)$$

Large scale  
group velocity:

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Small scale  
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$$\sigma \dot{\mathbf{B}}$$

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## Simple linear case 2:

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

$$\beta(x)e^{i(\omega_0 t + \mathbf{k} \cdot \sigma \dot{\mathbf{B}}_t)}$$

Wave with  
Brownian phase

Stochastic stretching of phase

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

Log-normal wave-number

Conservation of action

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

Log-normal amplitude

Large scale  
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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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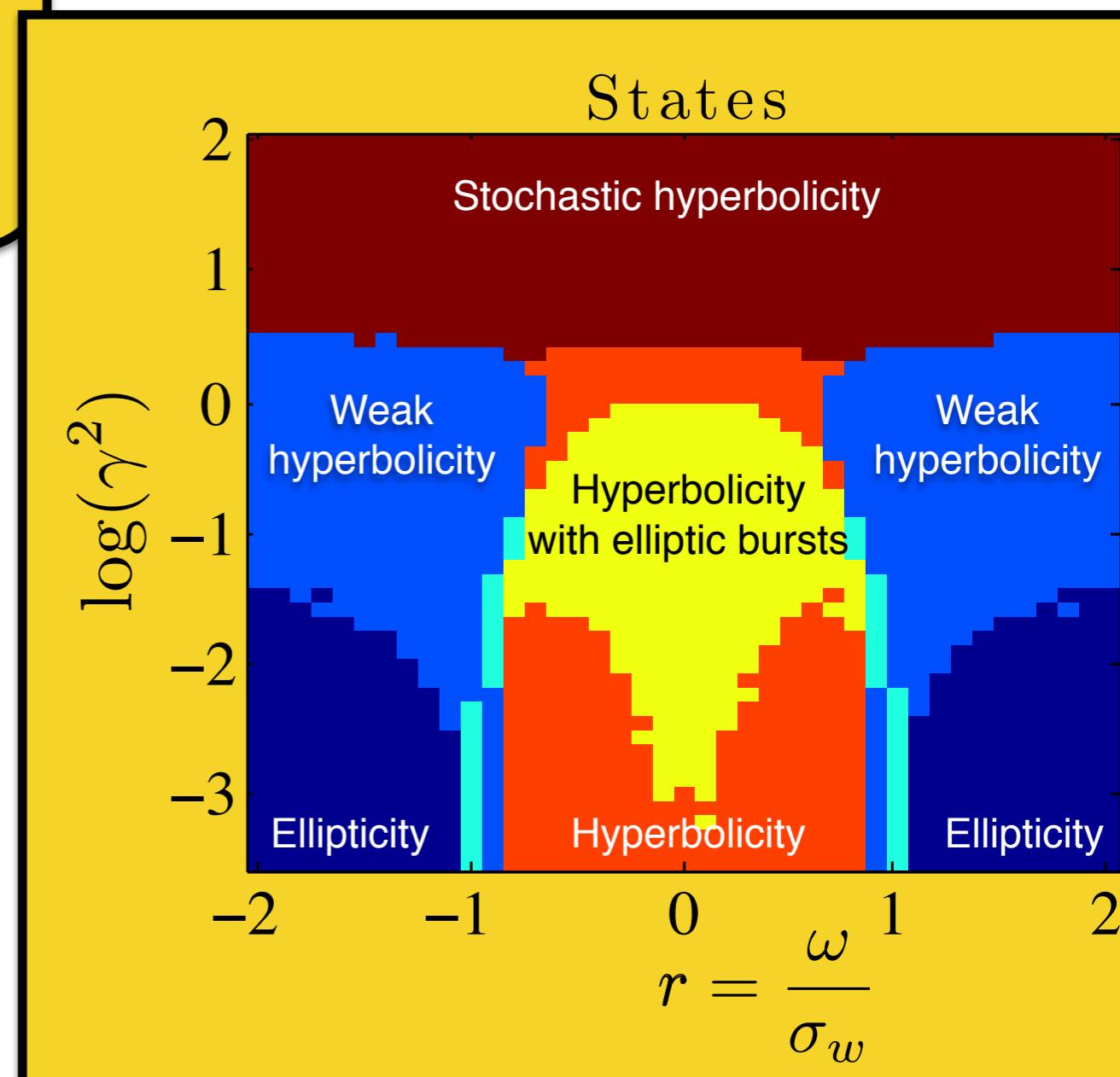
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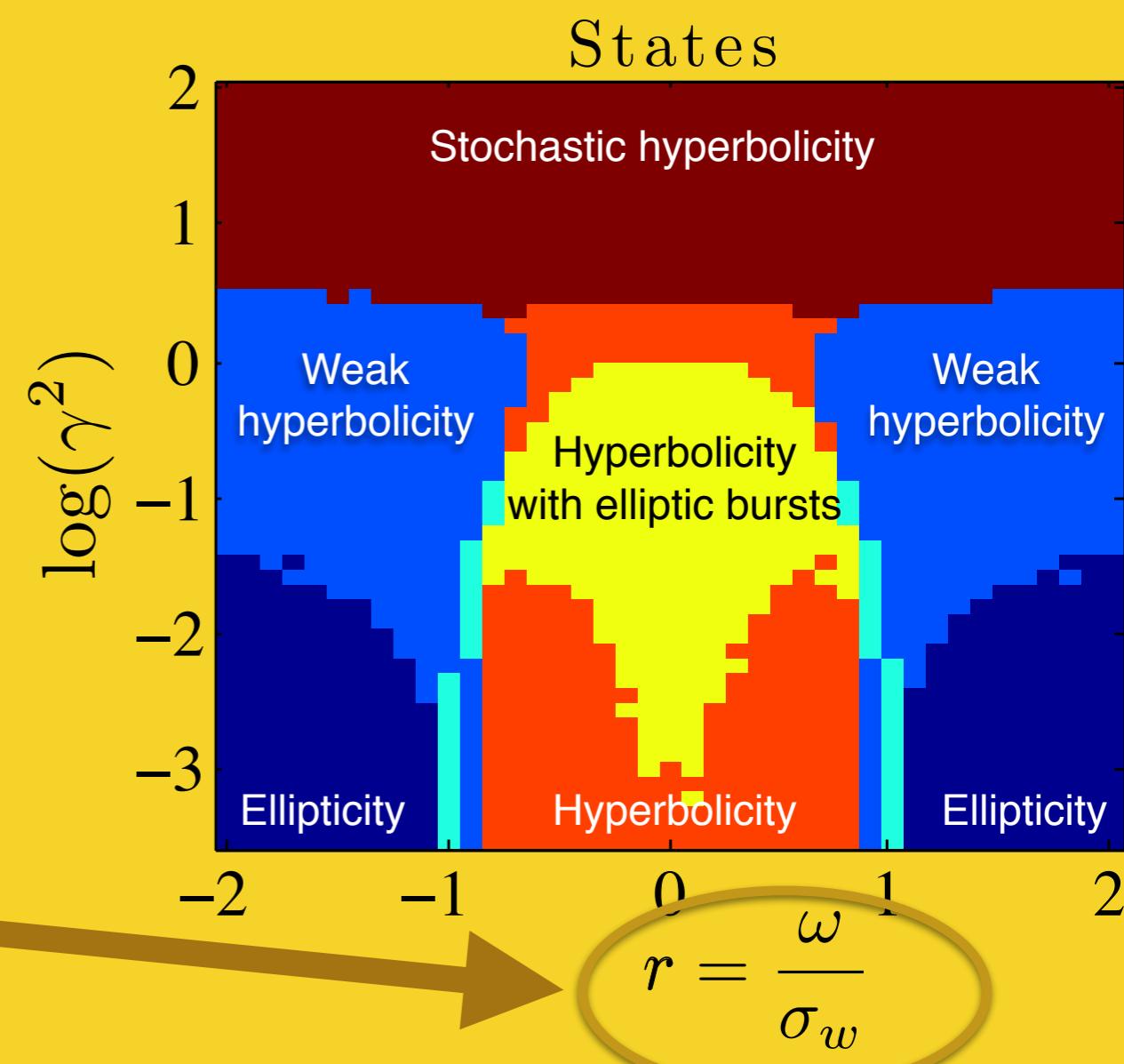
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Ratio

effective rotation / strain rate

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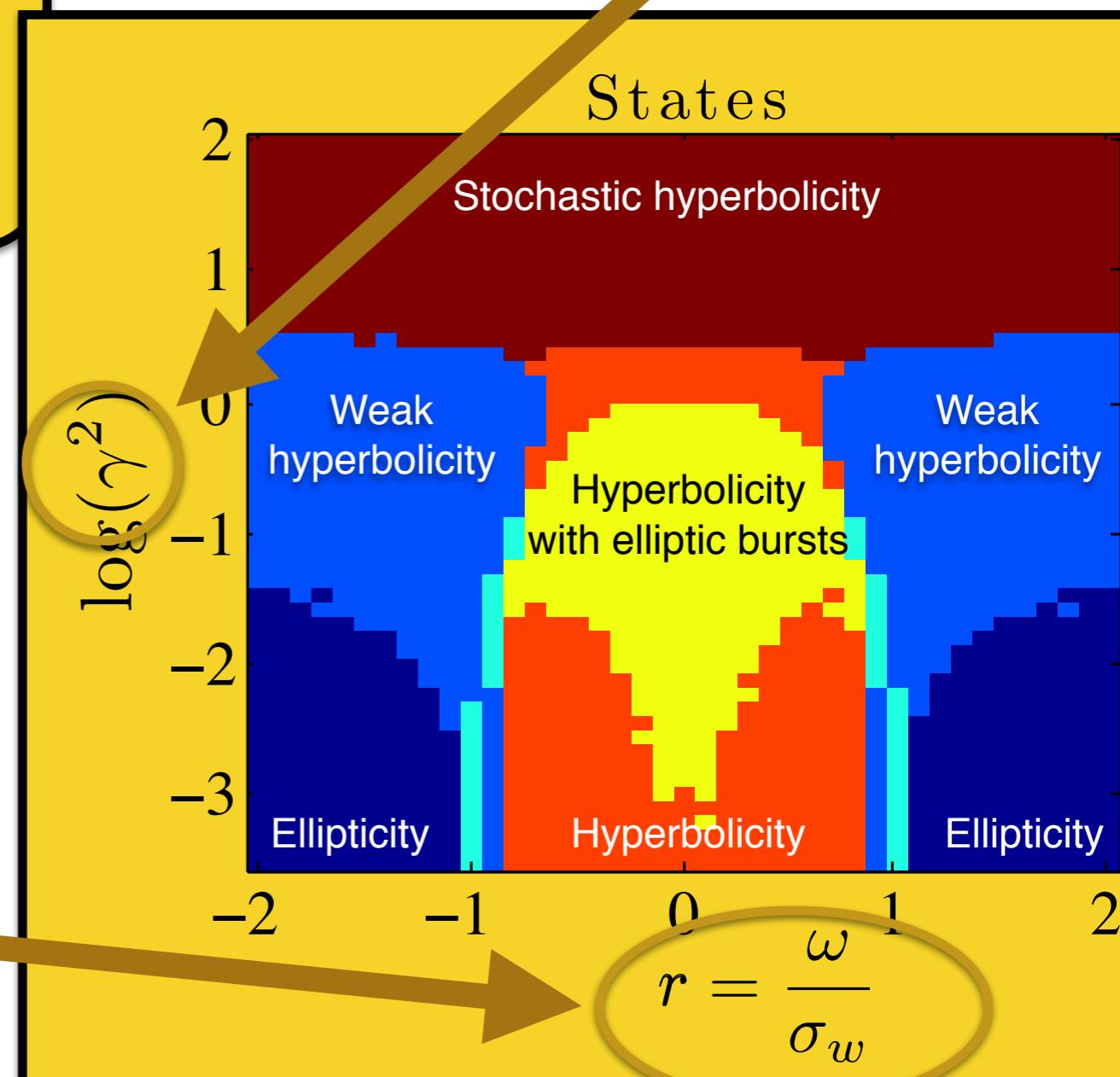
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Depends on  
small scale's  
statistics



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# General case

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

Stochastic stretching of phase

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

Conservation of action

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

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**Fonction of k** Random ray

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**Fonction of x** Wave- vector

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Amplitude

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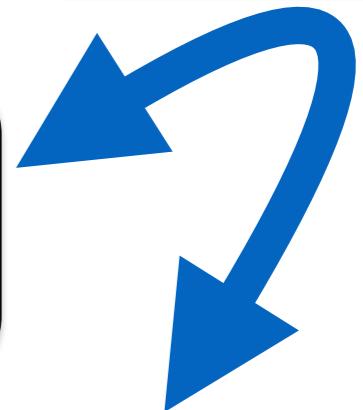
$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{g\|k\|}$$

# General case

Non-linear  
coupling

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

**Fonction of k** Random ray



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**Fonction of x** Wave- vector

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Amplitude

# 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