



36TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON COASTAL ENGINEERING 2018

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The State of the Art and Science of Coastal Engineering

PROCESSES LEADING TO INFRA-GRAVITY PERIOD OSCILLATIONS AND CURRENTS IN PORTS AND MARINAS

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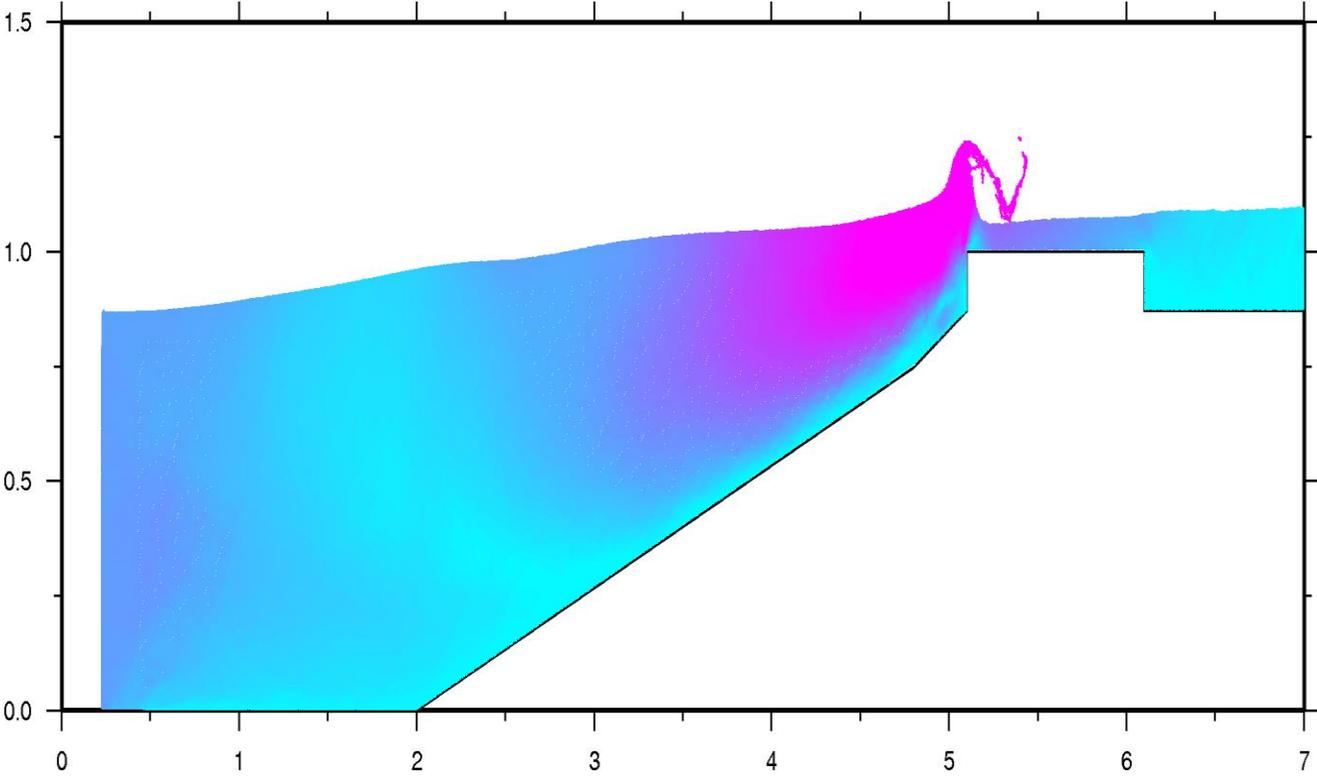


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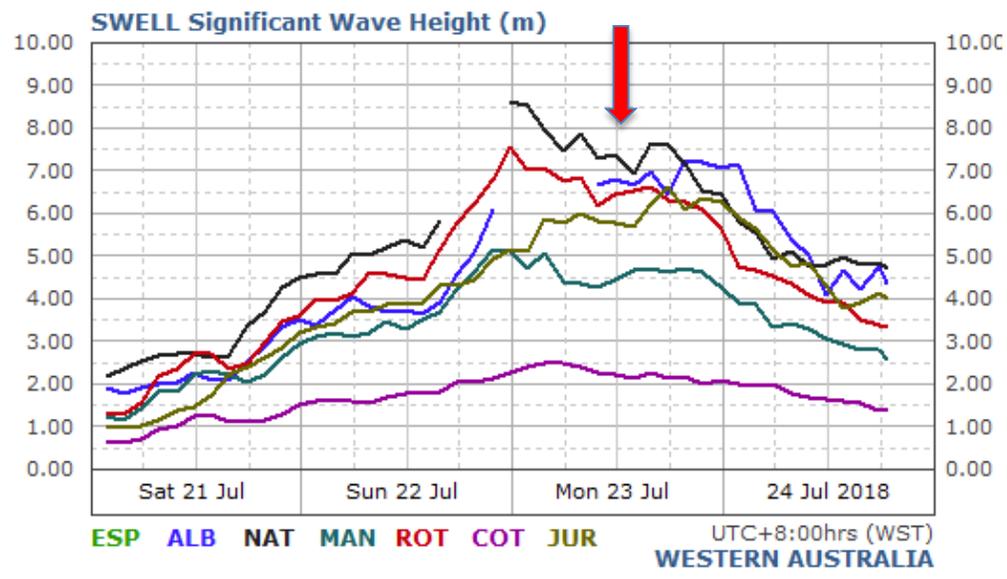


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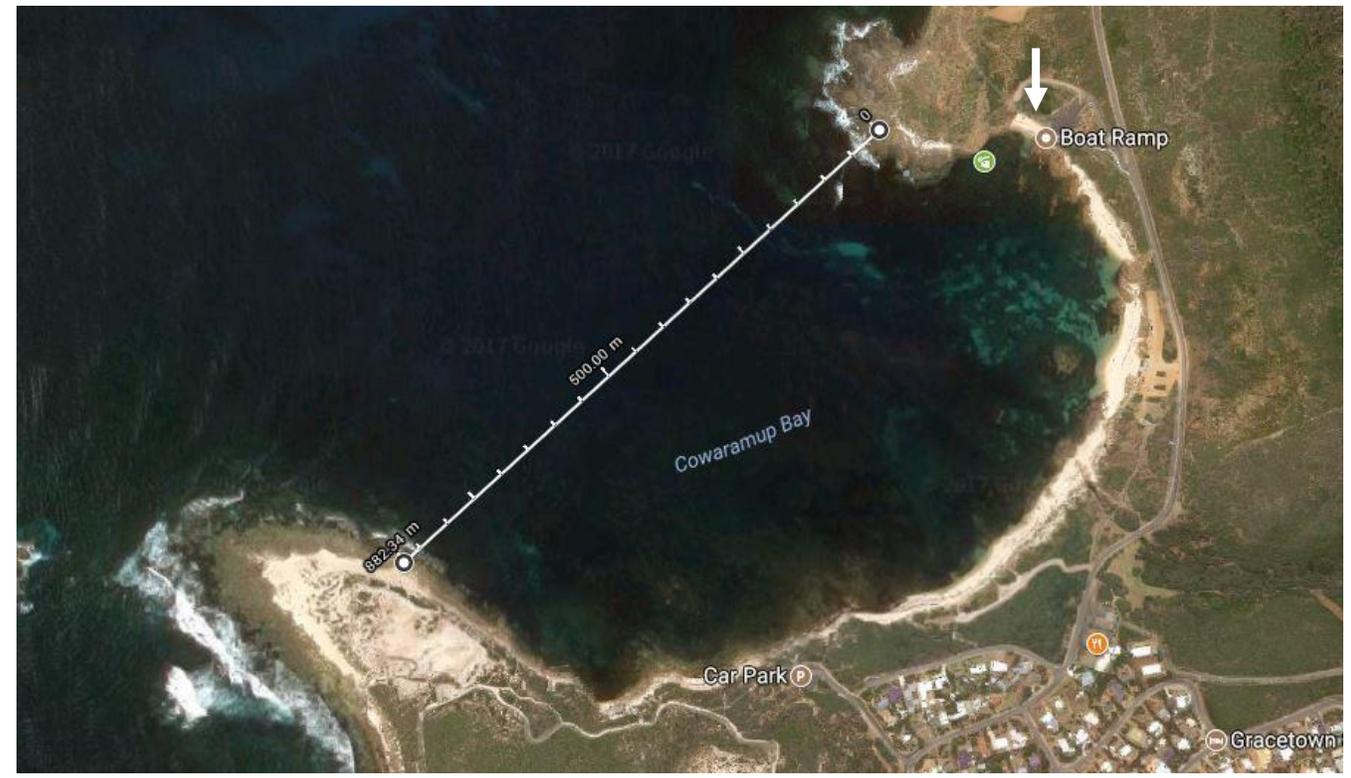
All Western Australian Swell Buoys



Images Courtesy: Coastal Data Centre



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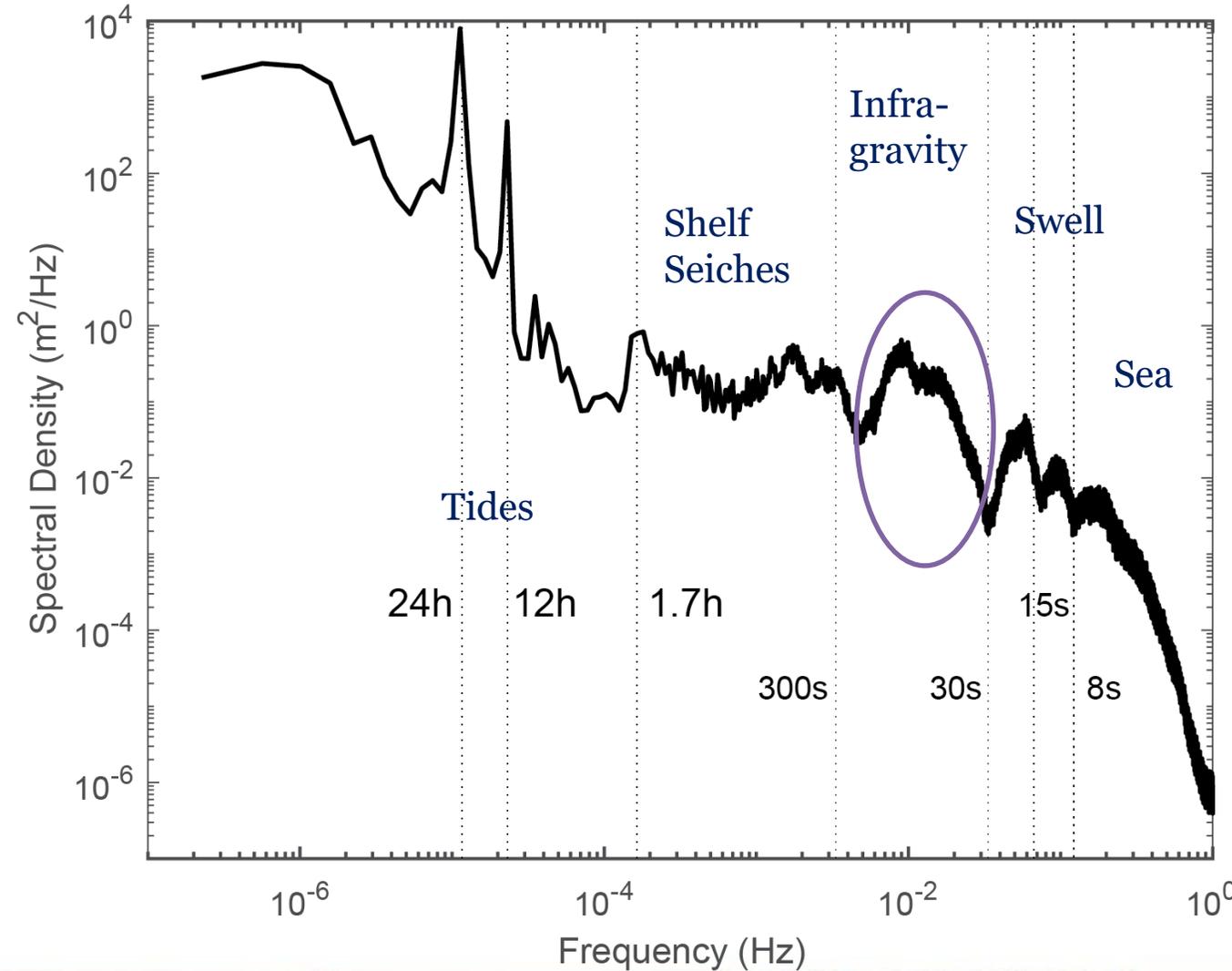


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Water level Spectra



Harbour Oscillations

- Strong periodic horizontal water motion within the harbour
- periods of oscillations - few seconds to minutes depending on the harbour geometry
- can be caused by:

Infra-Gravity (IG) waves (~ periods 30 to 300 s)

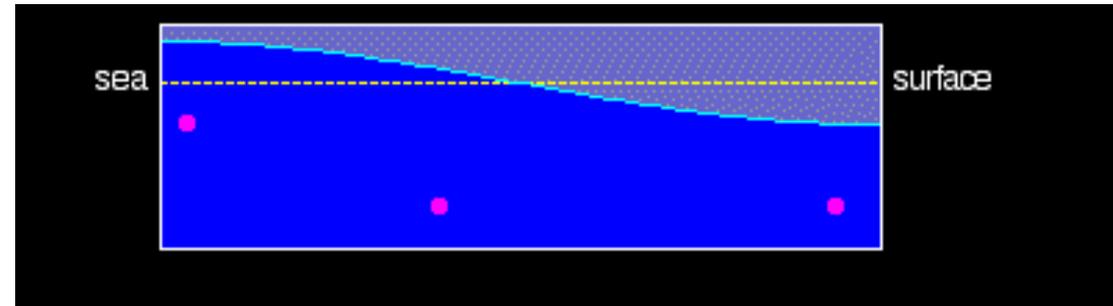
Tsunamis - seismic

Tsunamis - meteorological

} ~ periods 5 to 30 min

Merian Formula ('closed') system

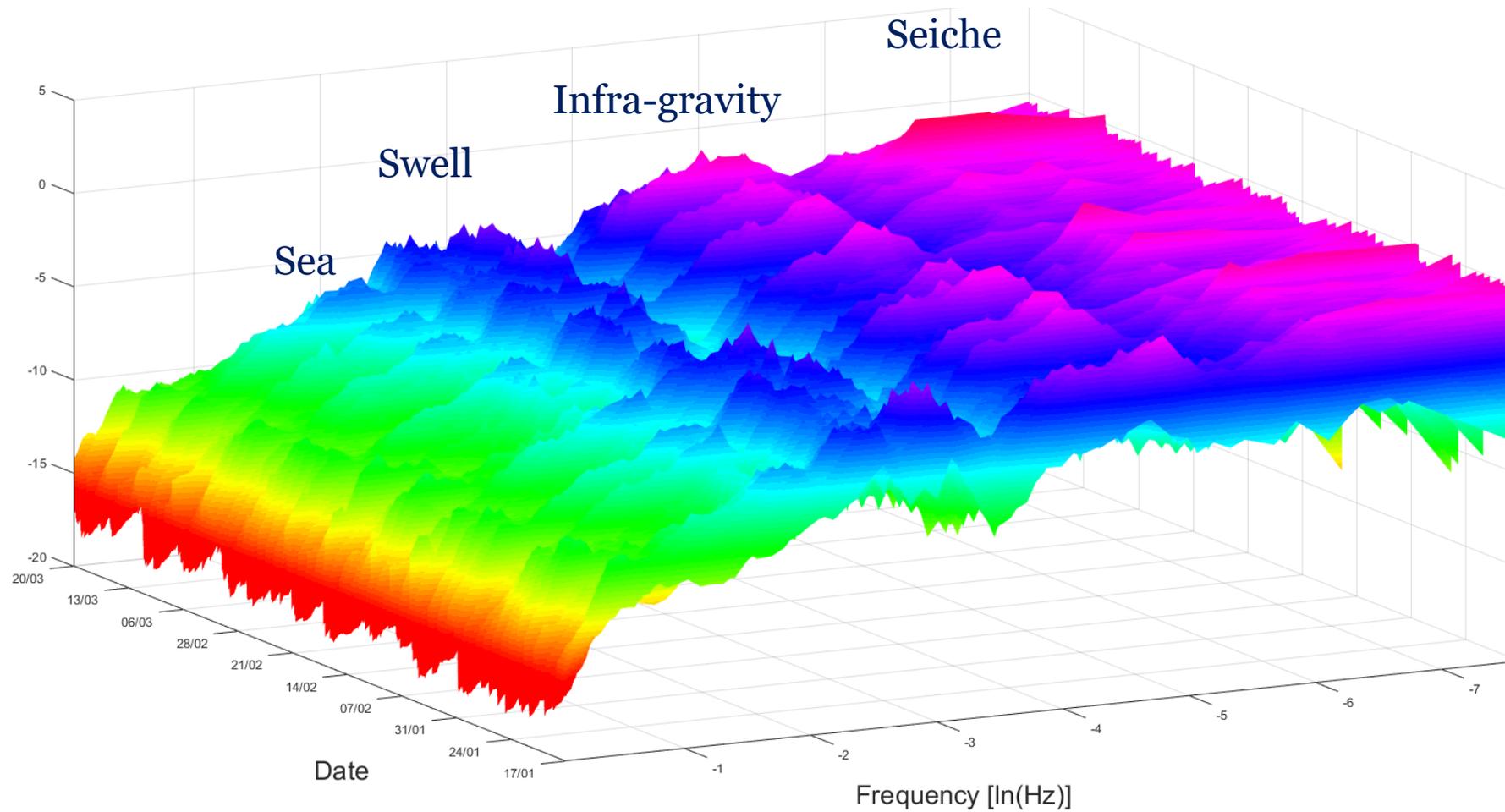
$$T_n = \frac{2L}{n\sqrt{gh}} \quad L > l$$



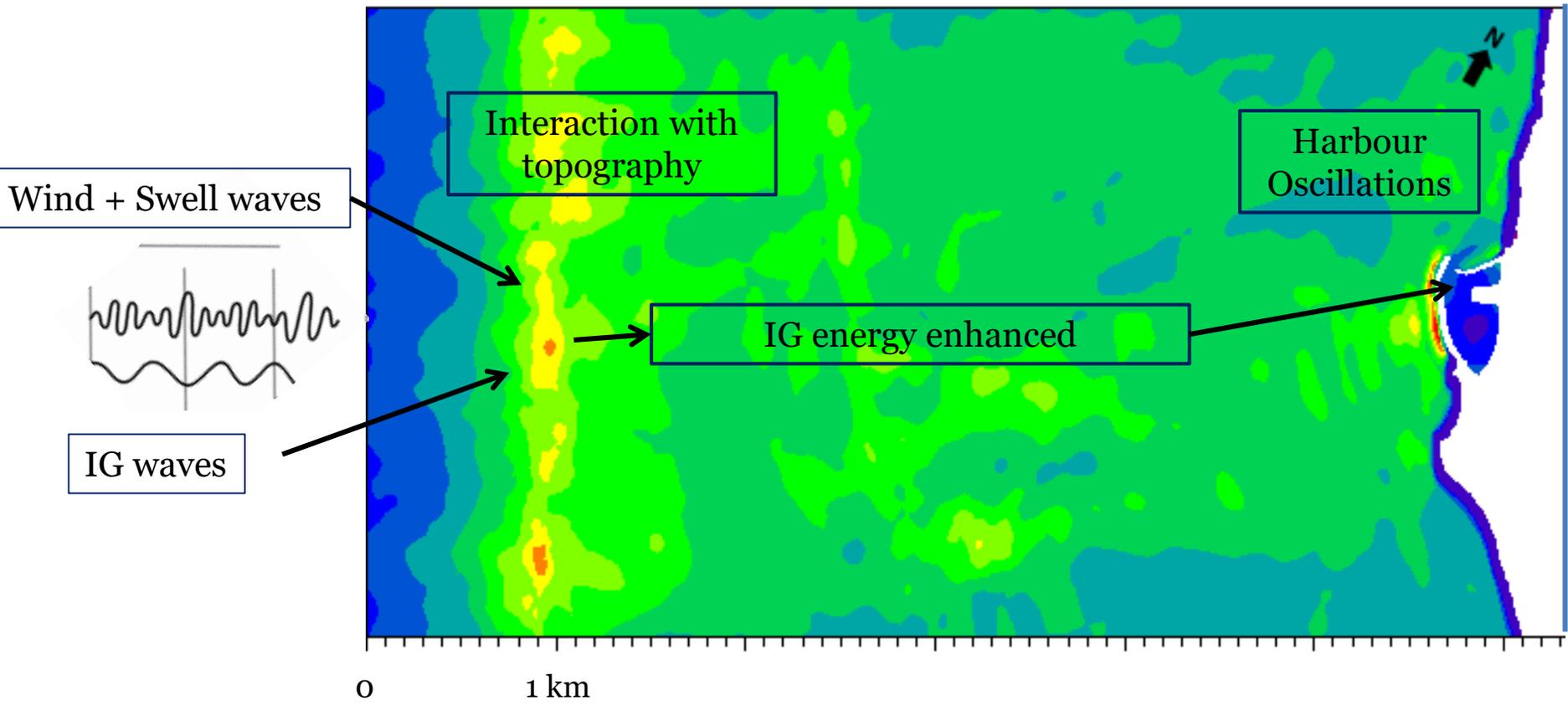
$$T_{n,m} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{gH}} \left[\left(\frac{n}{L} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{m}{l} \right)^2 \right]^{-1/2} \quad L \approx l$$



Frequency/time spectra



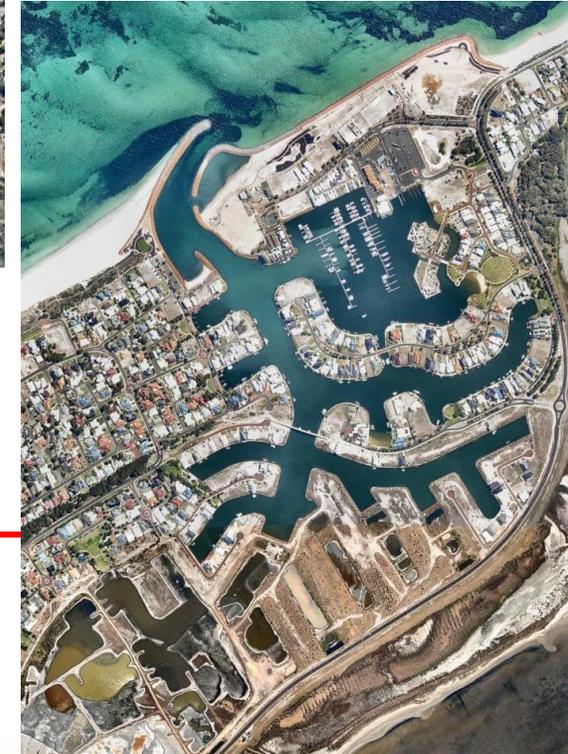
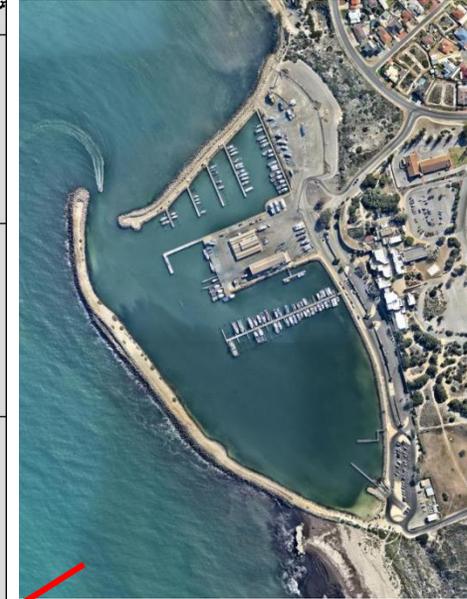
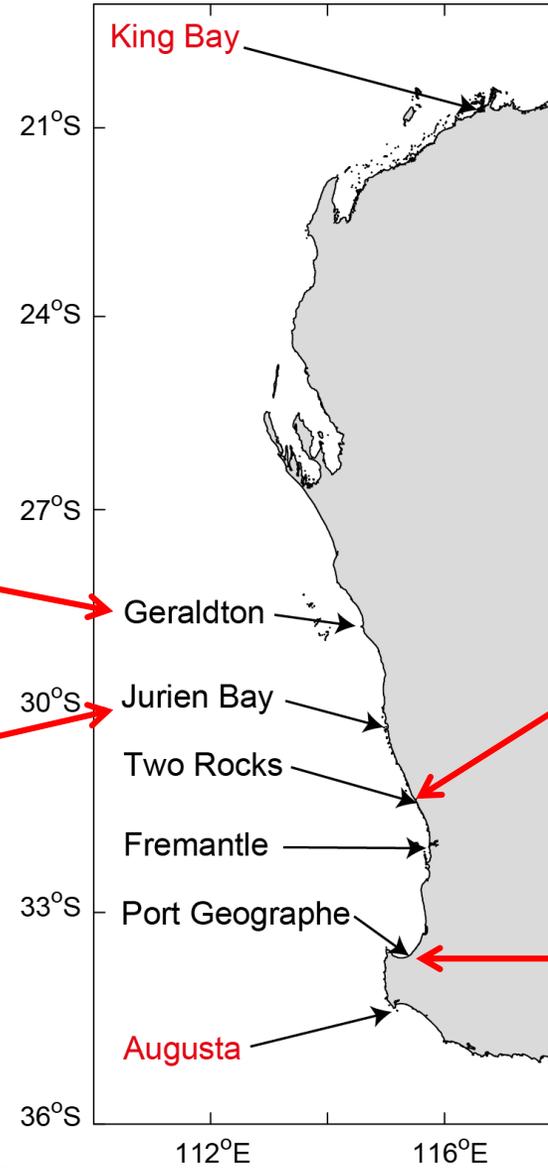
Two Rocks marina: Thotagamuwage and Pattiaratchi (2014)



Forcing with 'white' noise generated oscillations inside the marina at the same frequencies



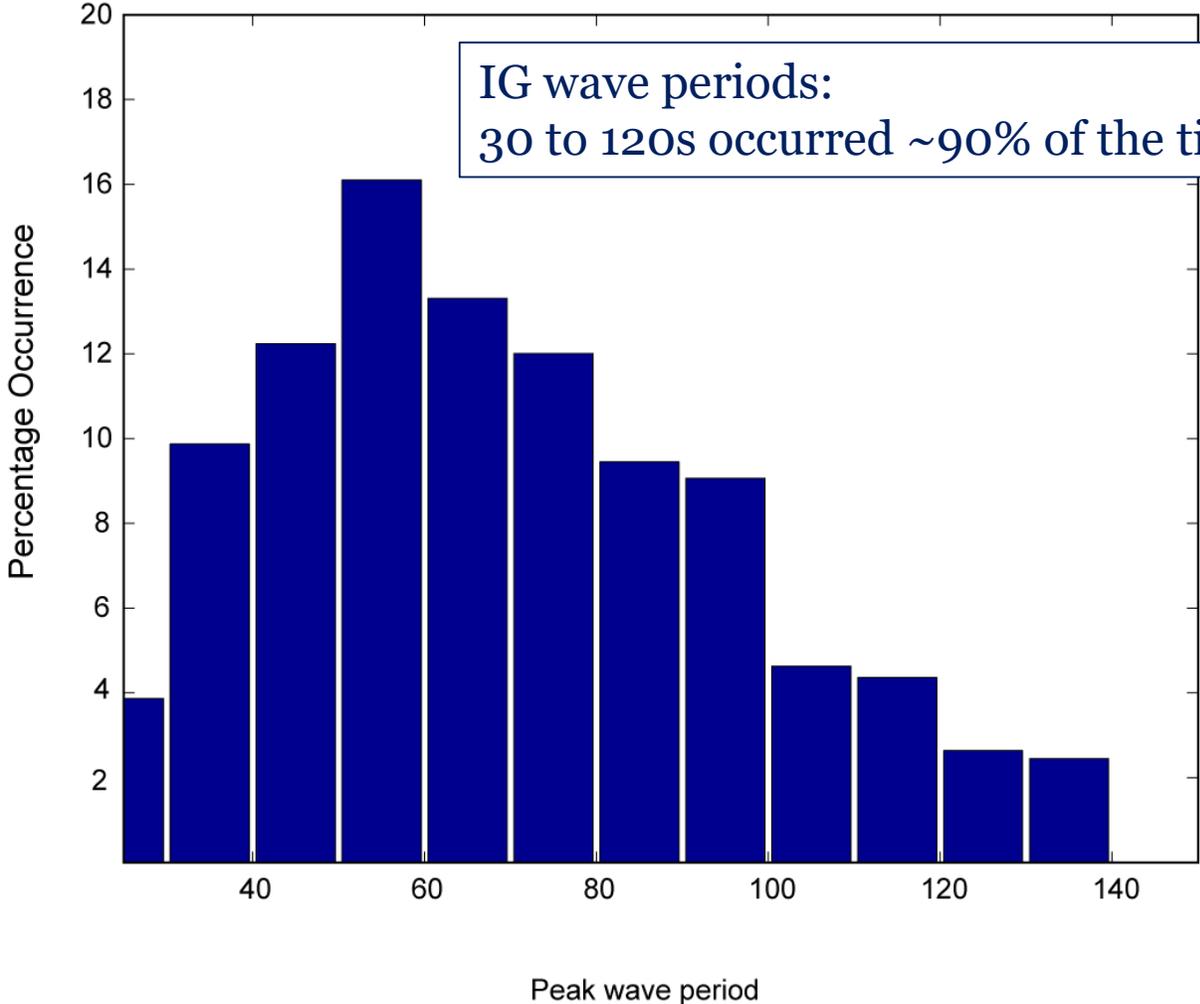
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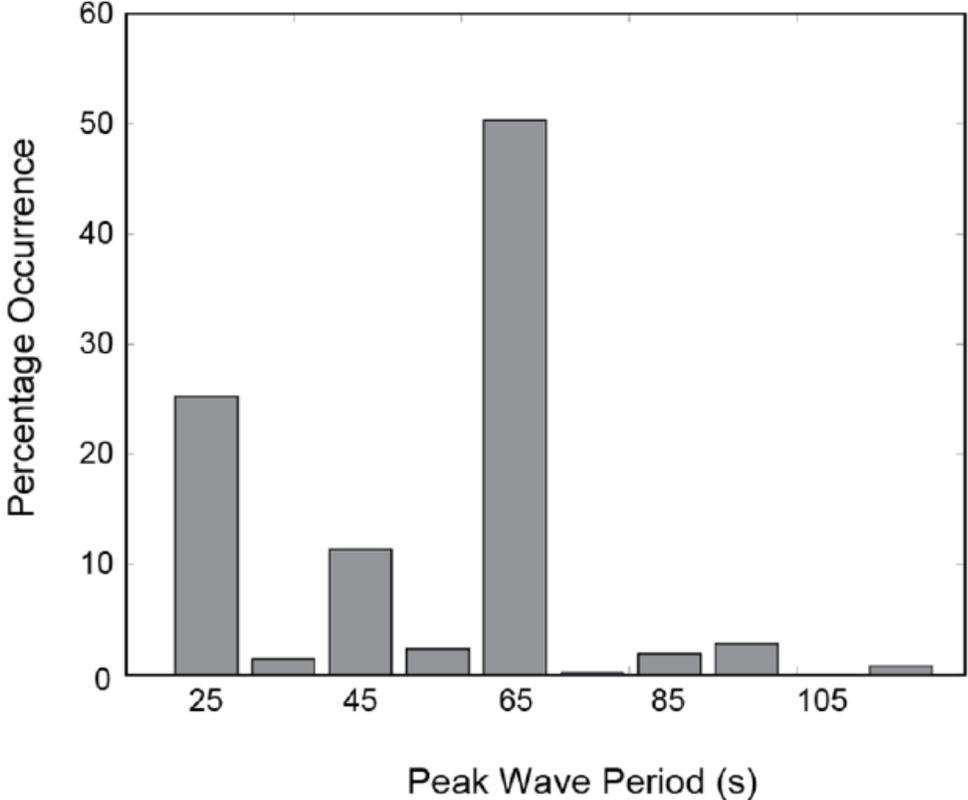
Geraldton

incident IG Climate

IG wave periods:
30 to 120s occurred ~90% of the time

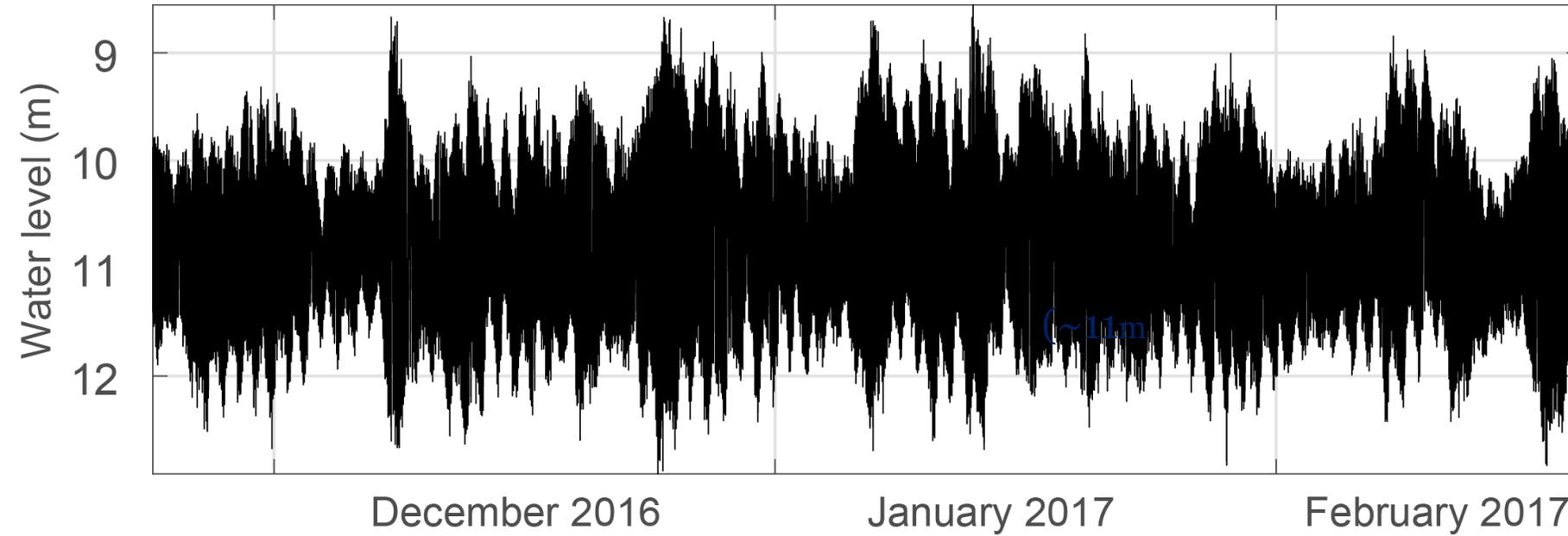


GPA Berths 3-4 - Measured T_p : 26 May 2010 to 22 Nov 2013

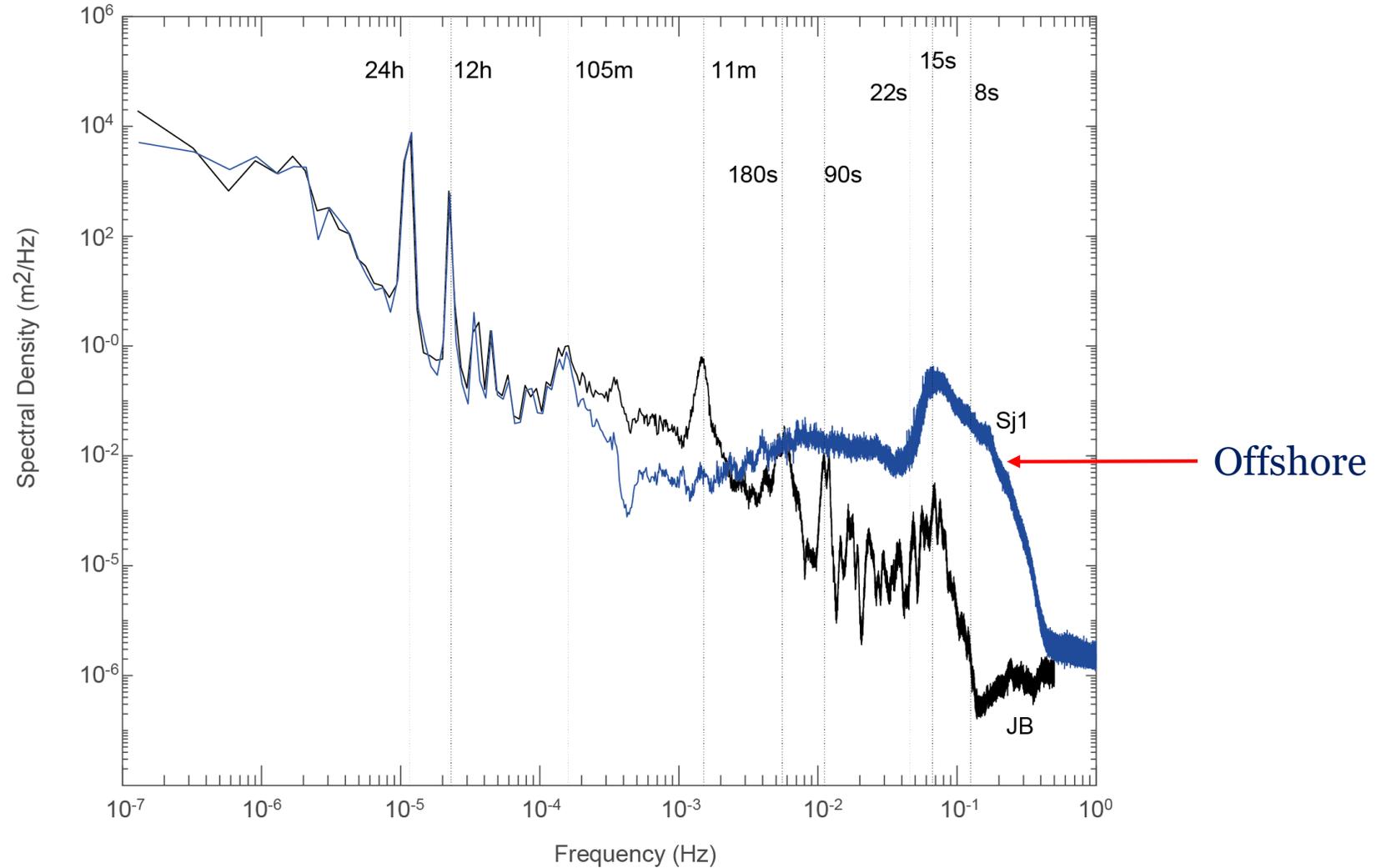


Jurien Bay (~11m depth)

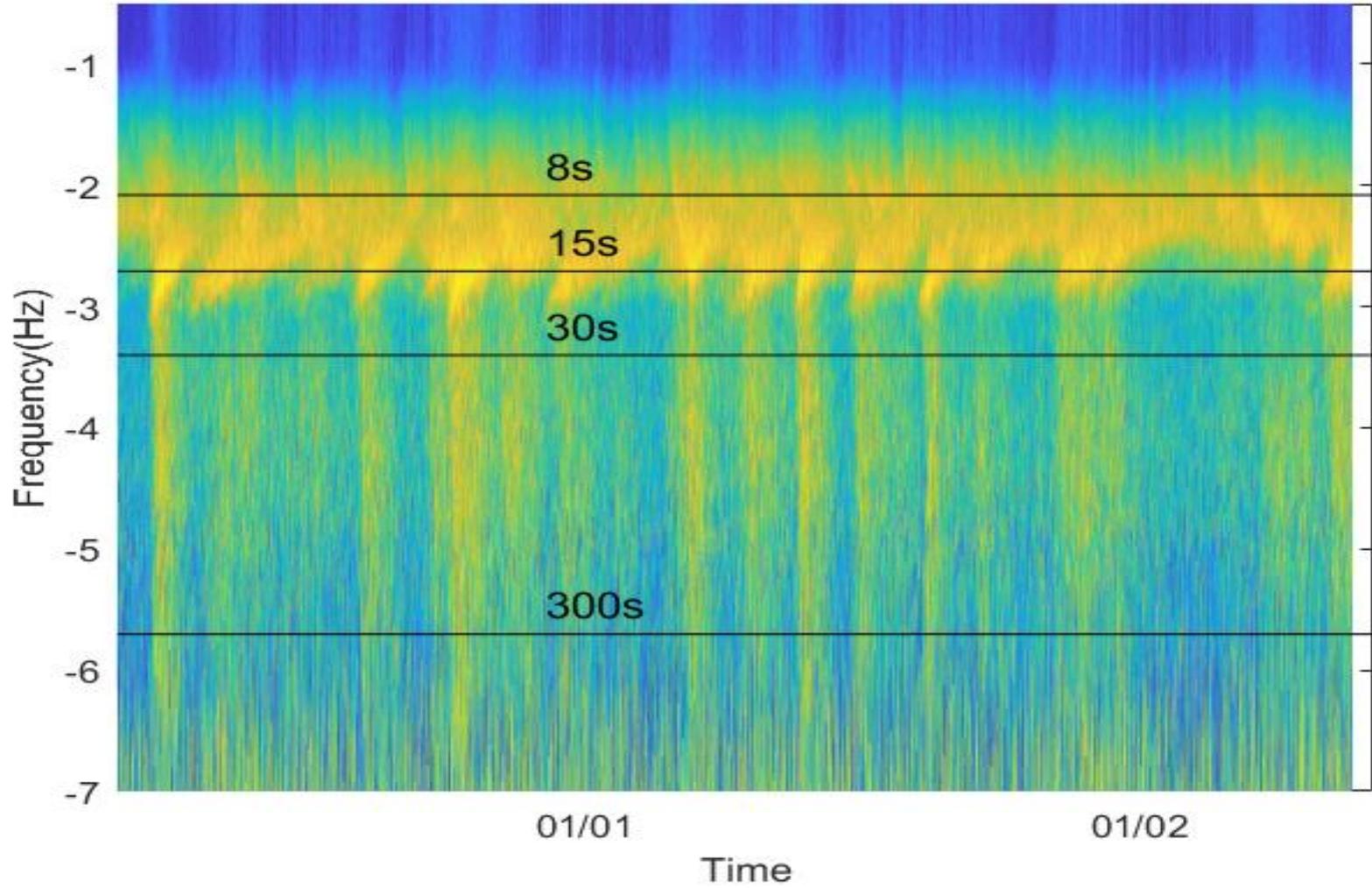
~ 3 months data, continuous at 2Hz = 15.3 million data points



Water level Spectra: Jurien



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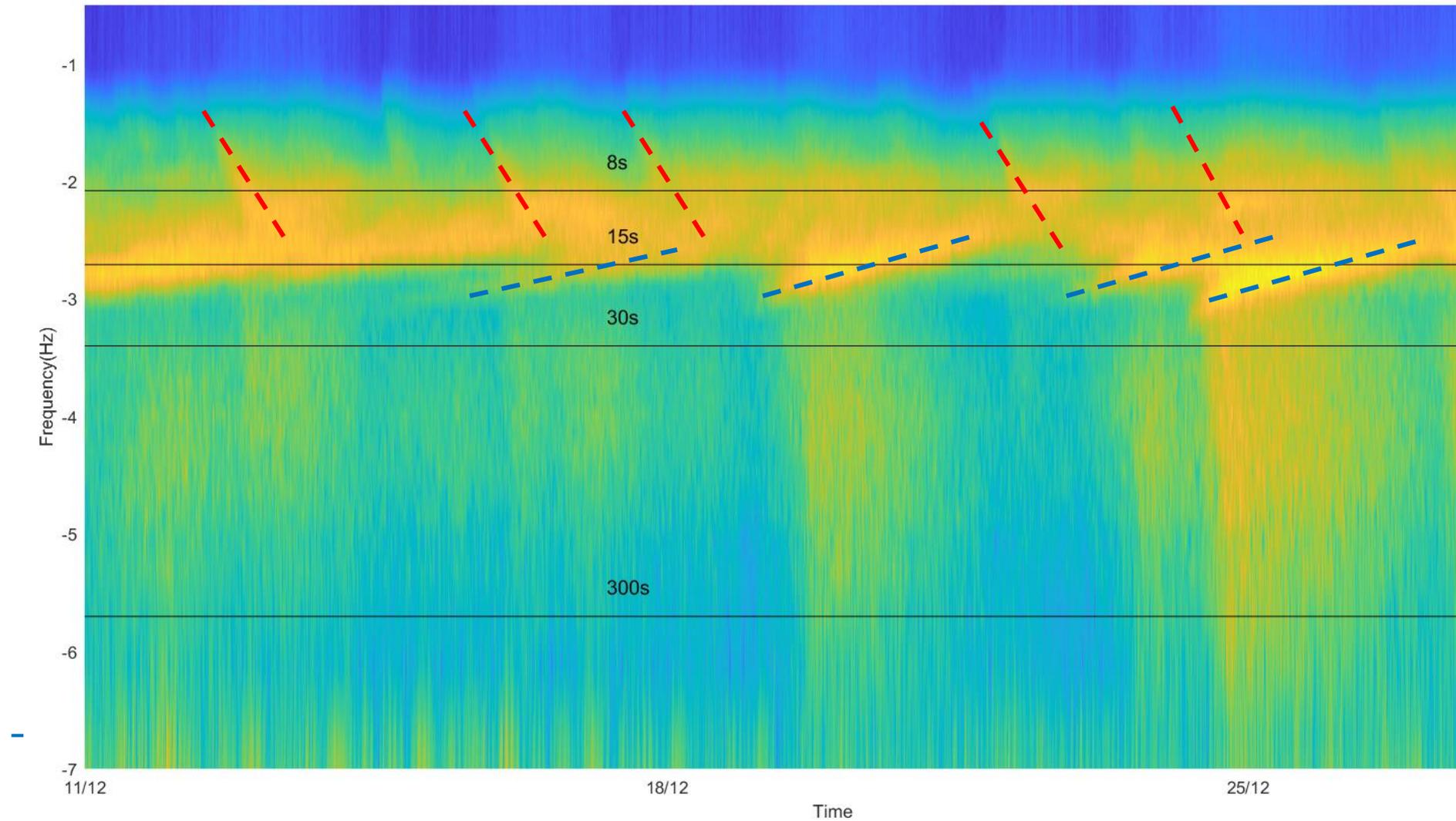


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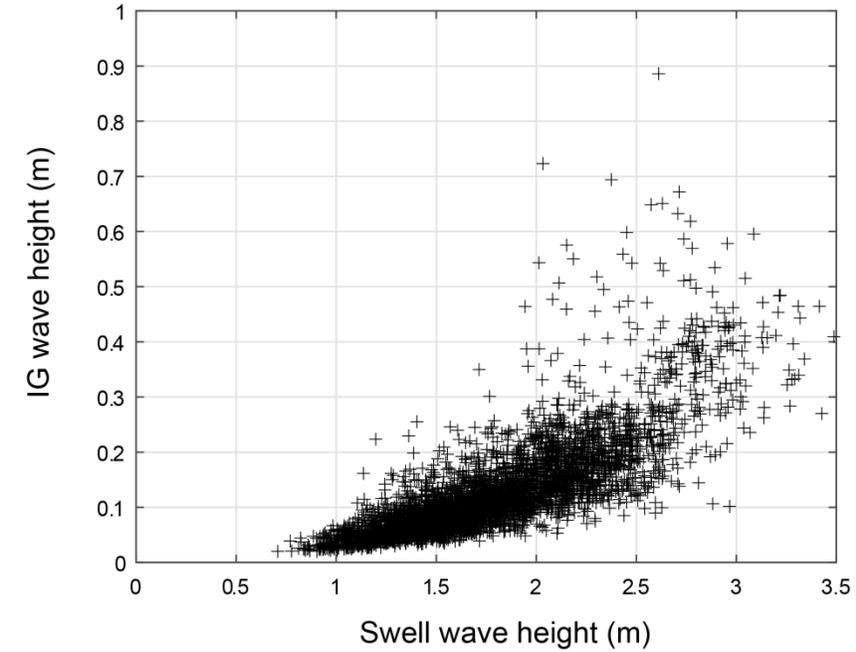
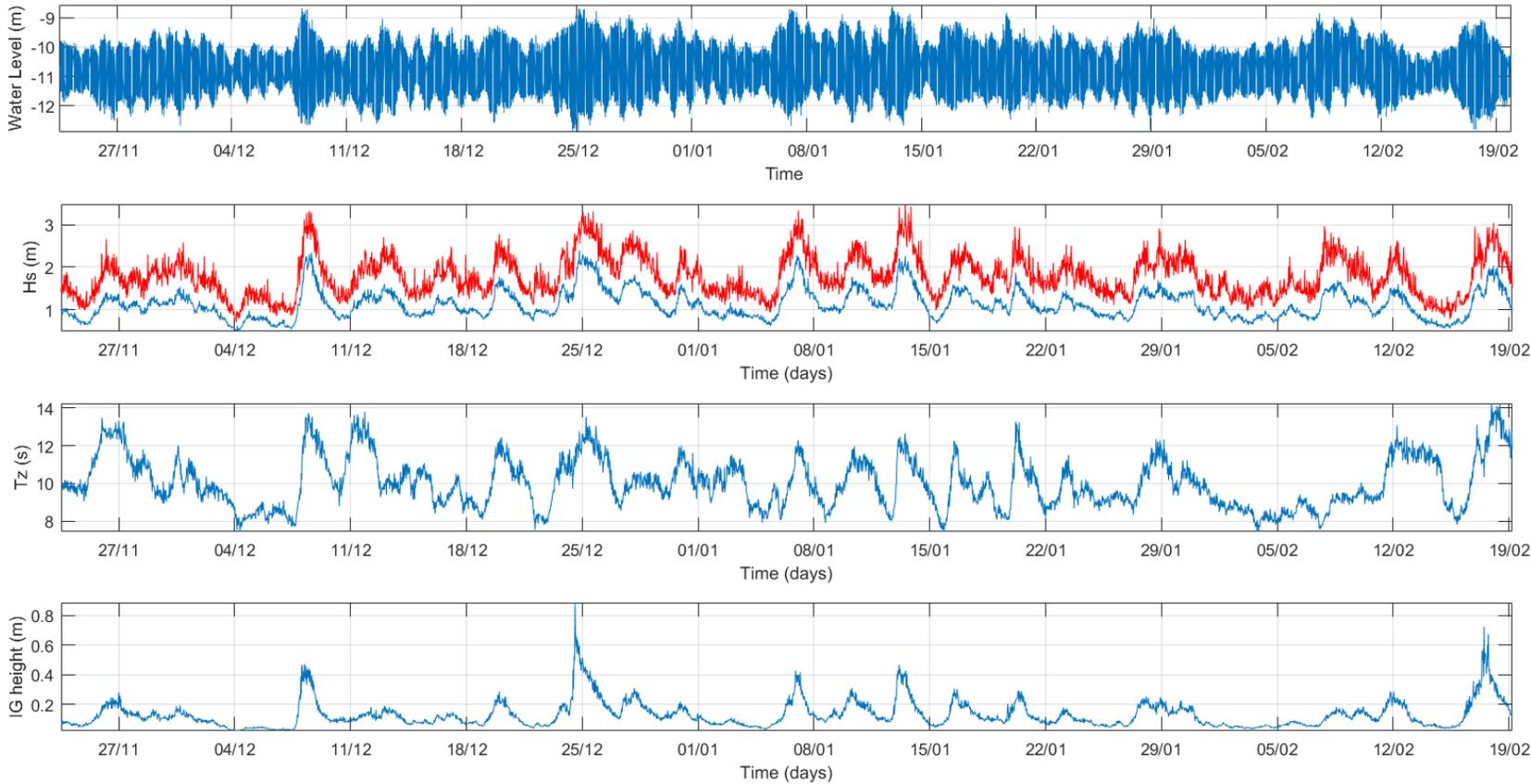
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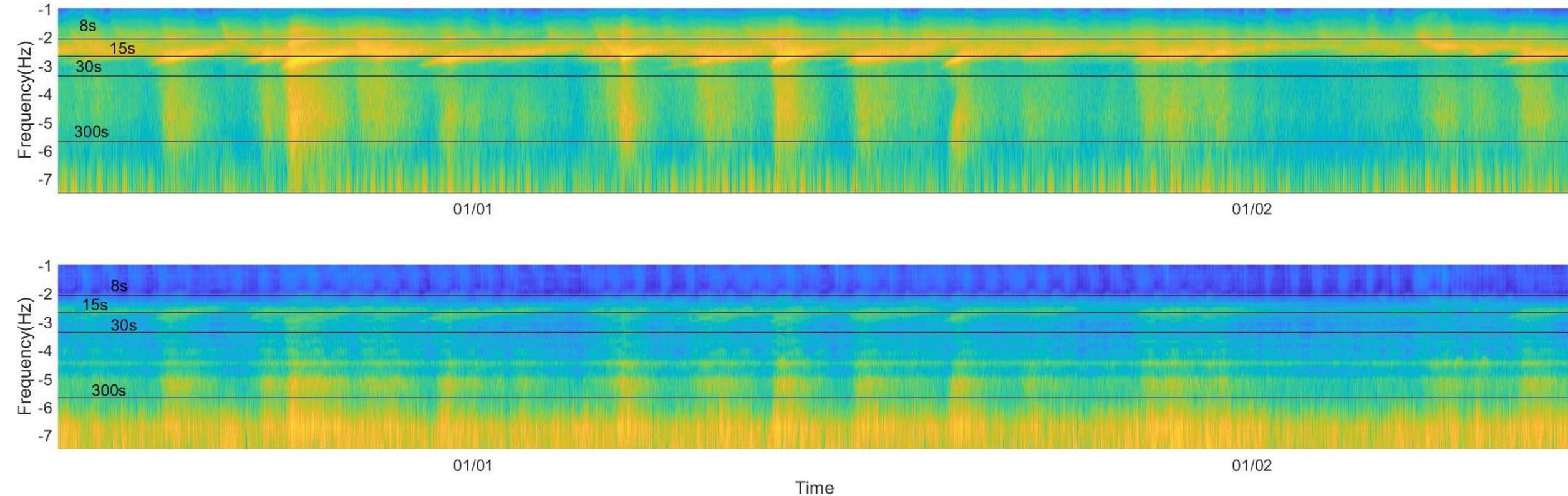


Jurien Bay (Offshore & Marina)



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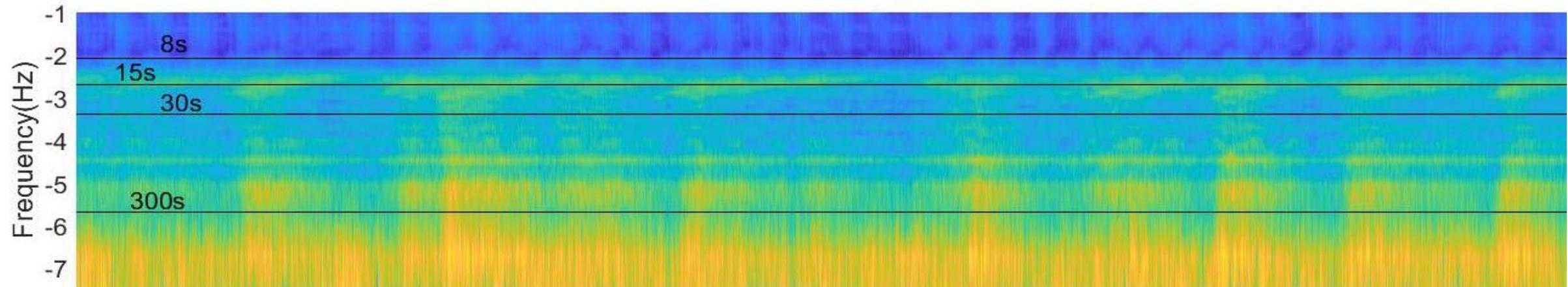
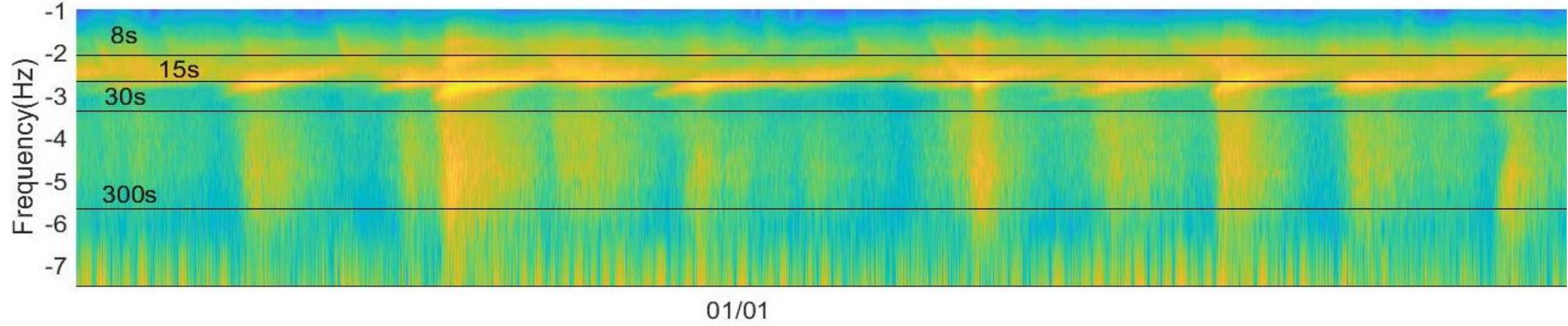
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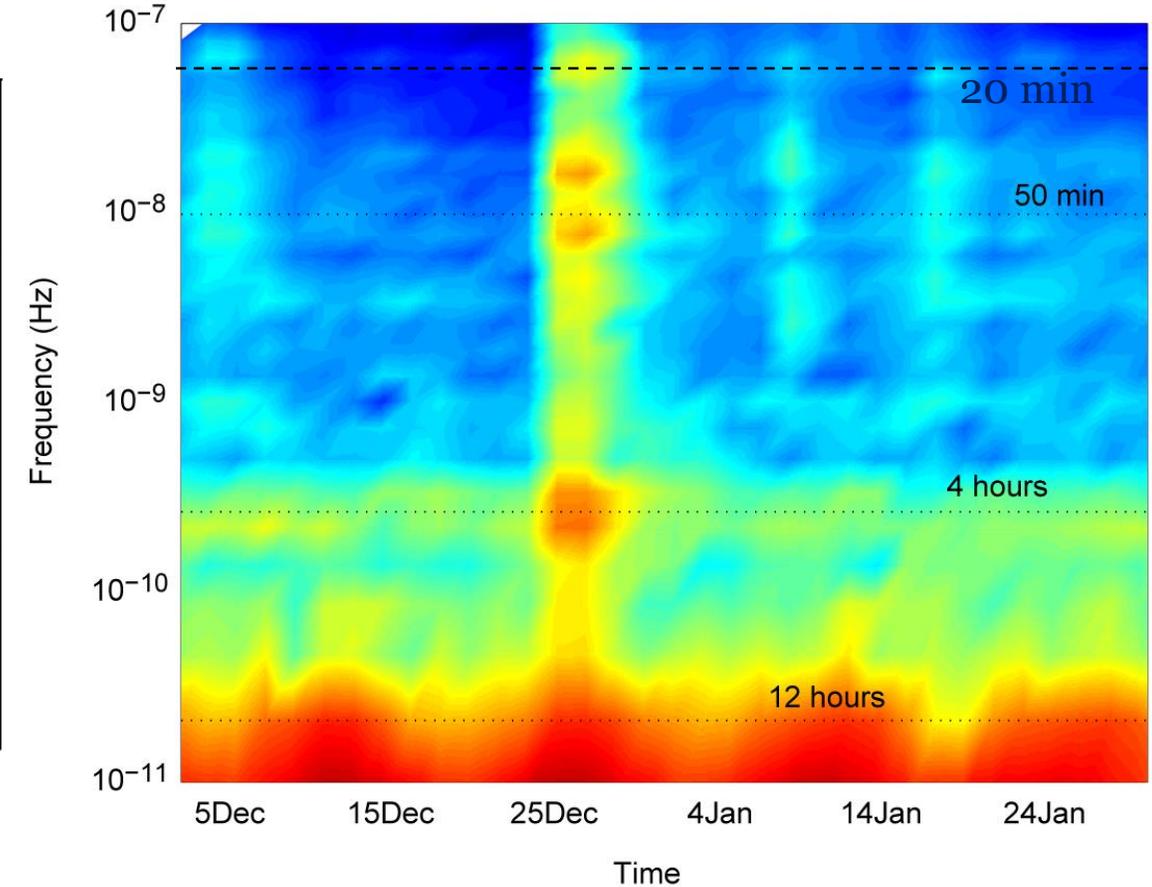
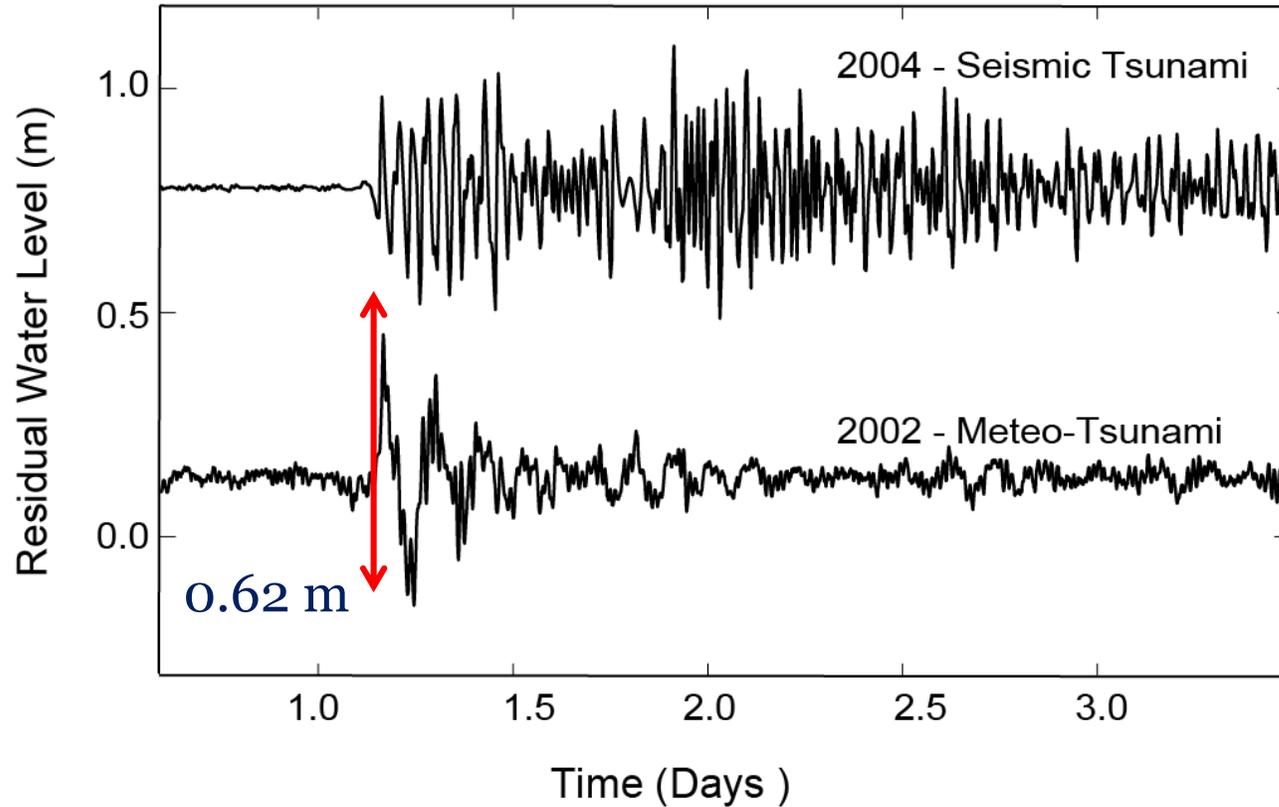
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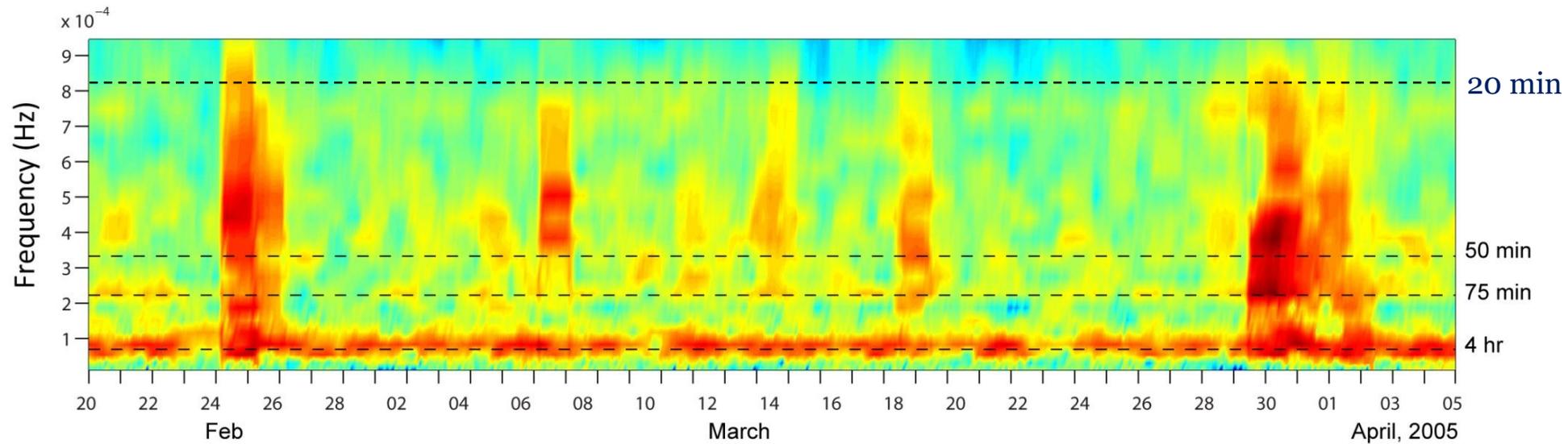
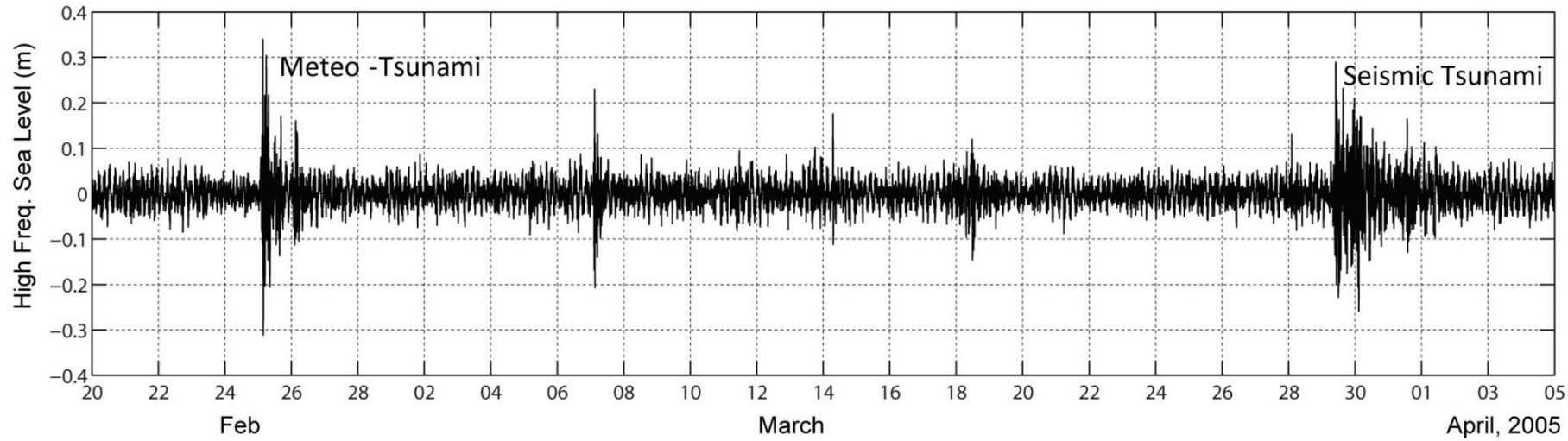
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Tsunamis: Seismic and Meteorological



Tsunamis: Geraldton



Meteorological Tsunamis



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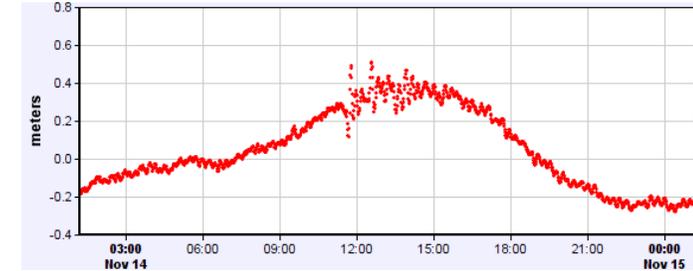
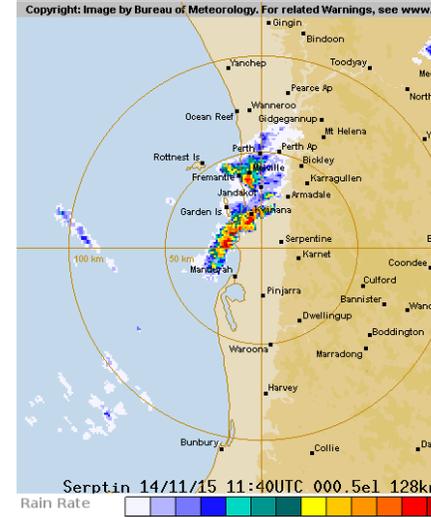
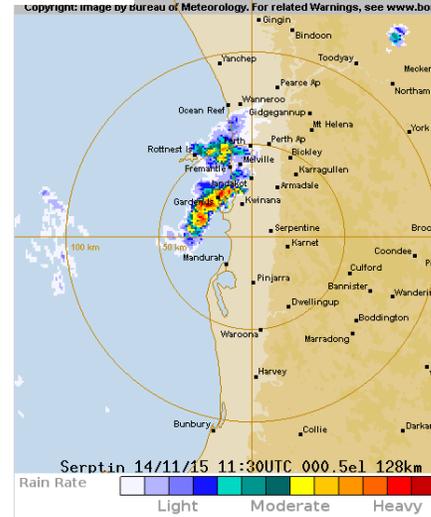
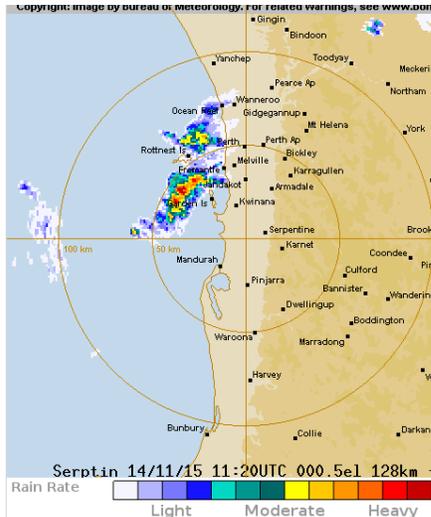
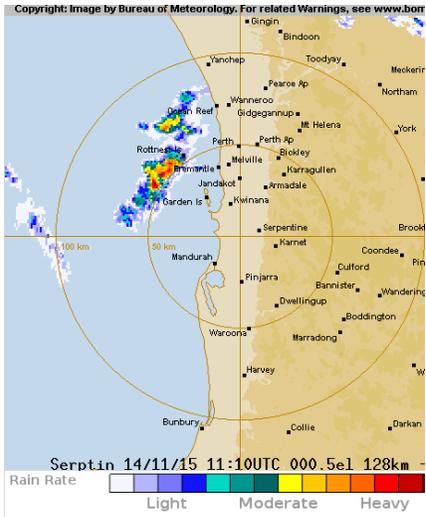
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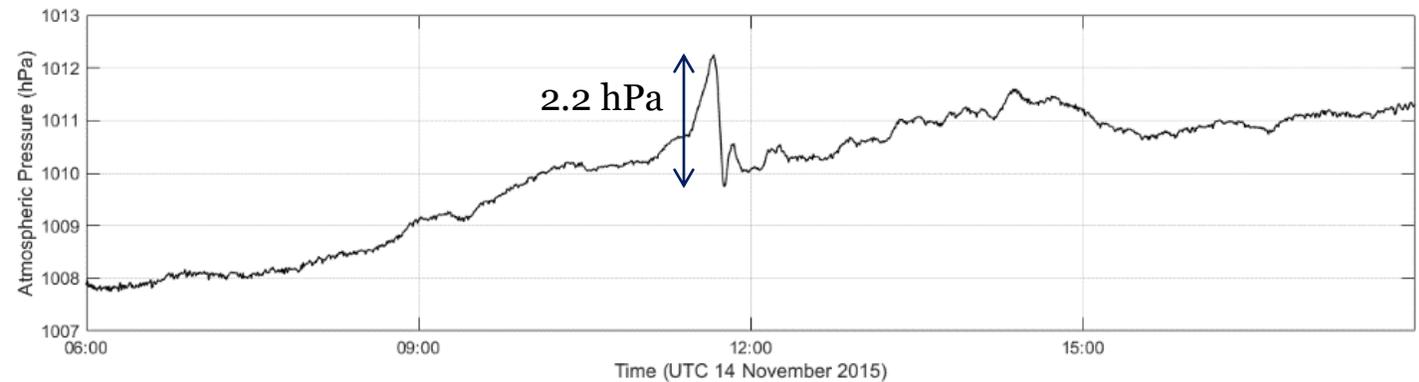
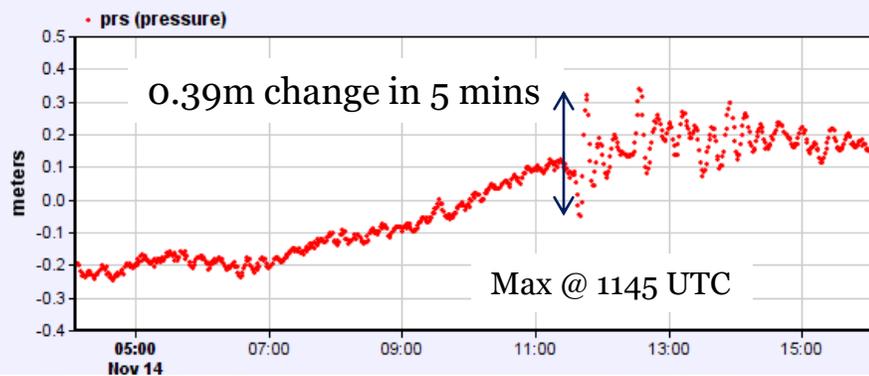
Meteorological Tsunamis



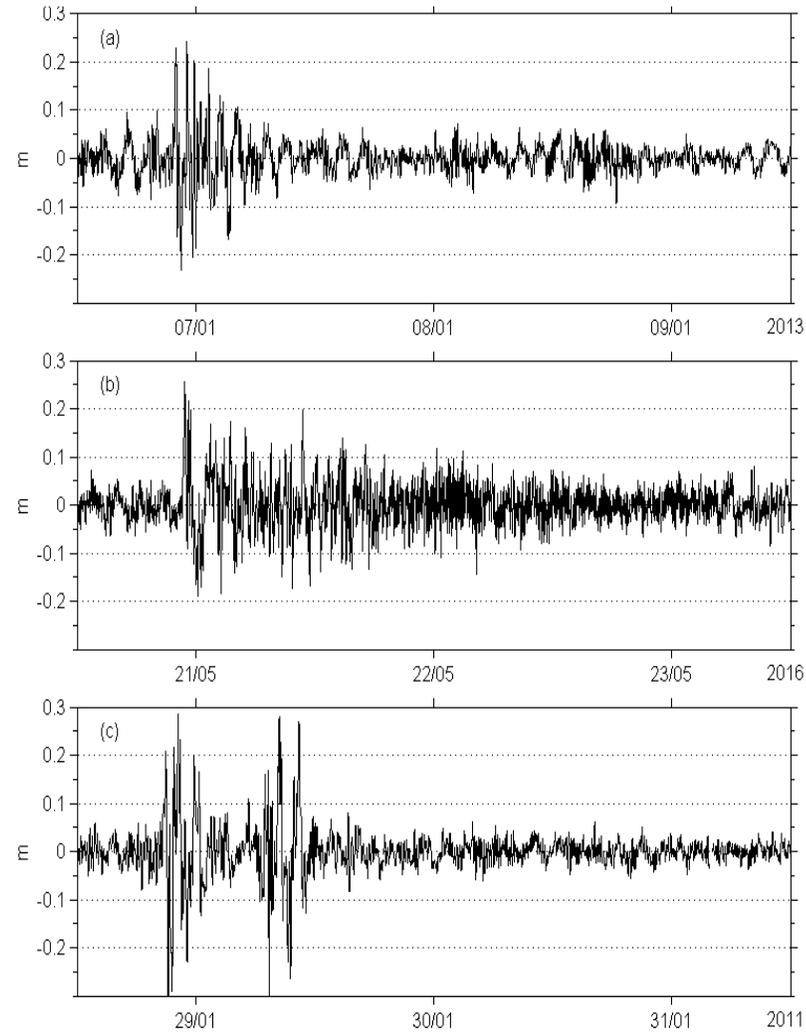
Meteotsunami – Perth region: 14 November 2015: 1145 UTC



Sealevel at Hillarys_Harbor_AU station (offset: 0.914 m)



Meteotsunami events:



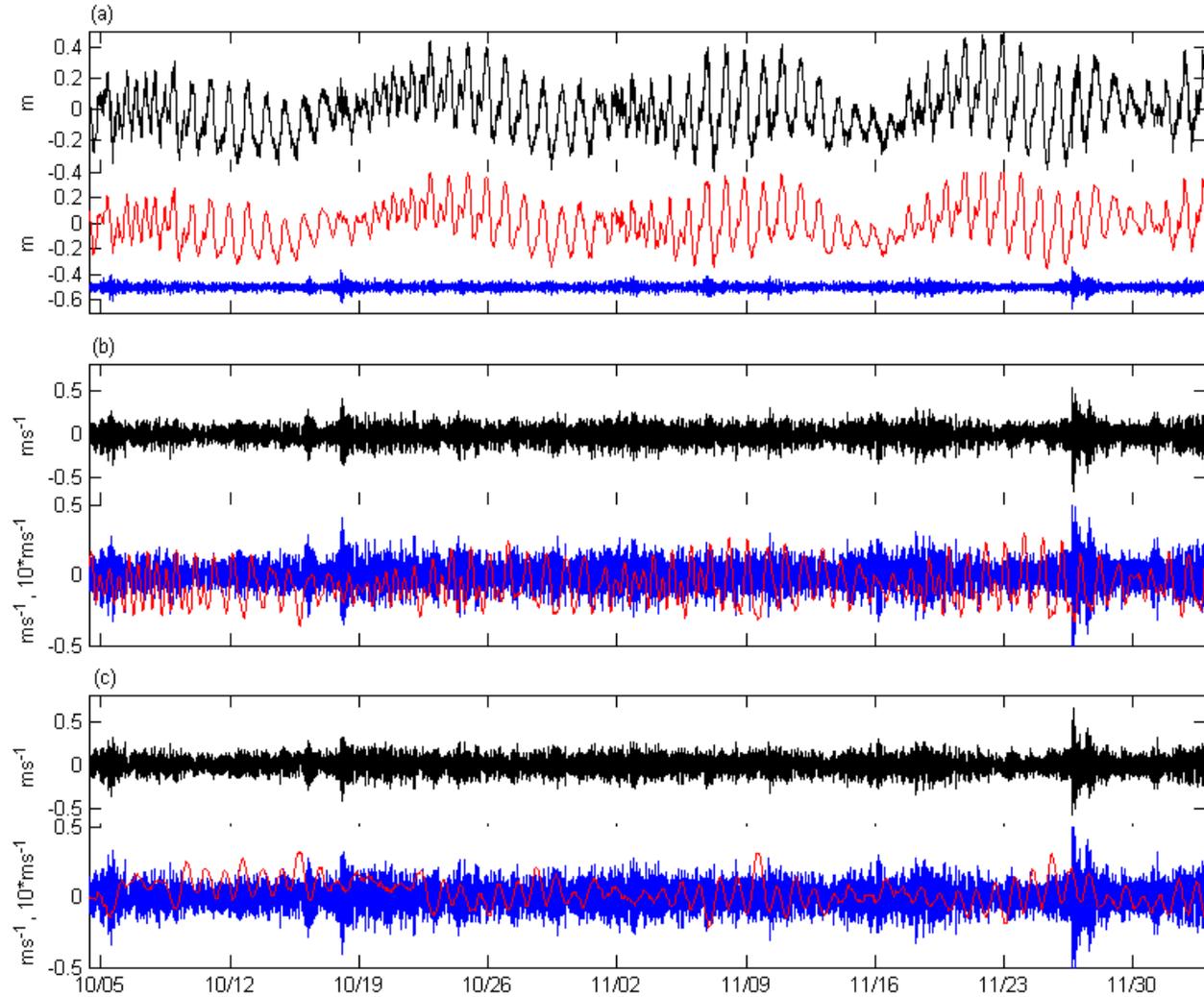
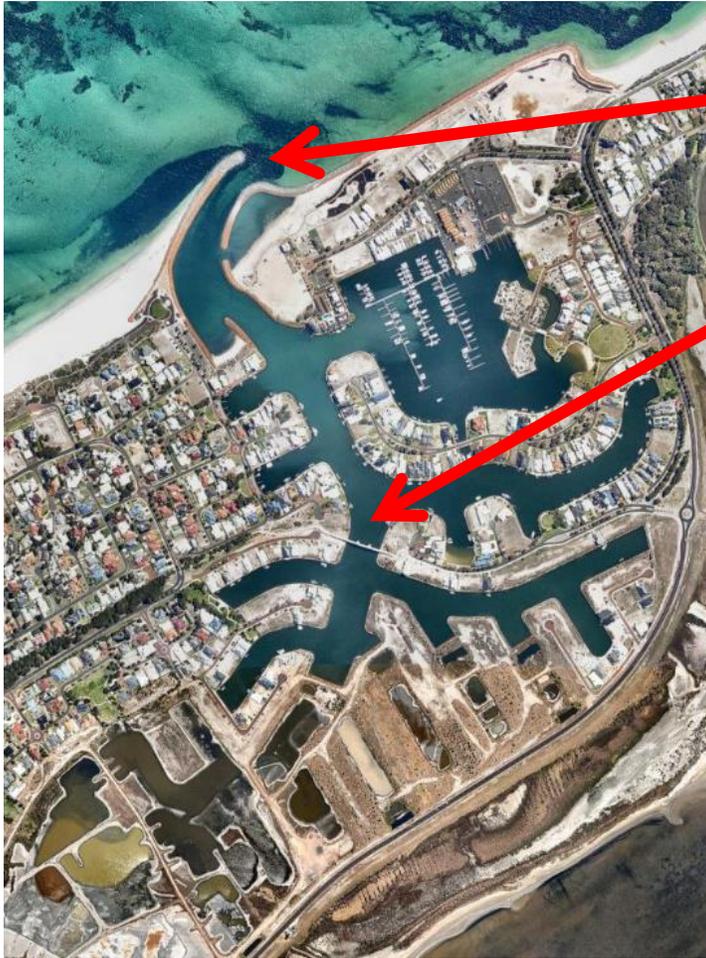
Thunderstorm

Cold Front

Tropical Cyclone



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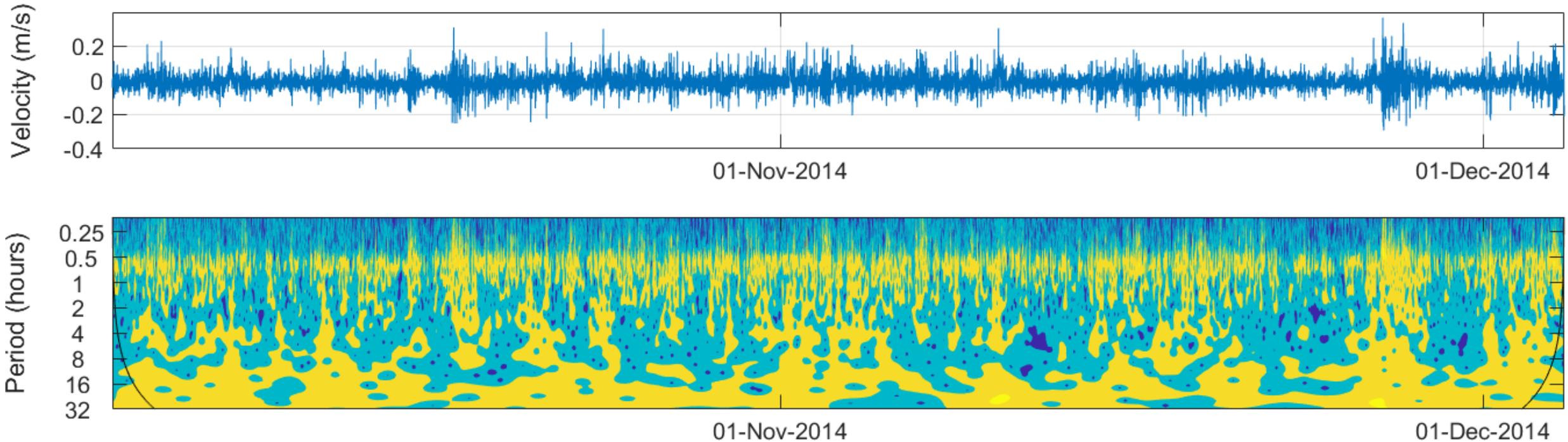


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Summary



Offshore

- IG events occur ~10 per month
- Longer, higher IG energy events during winter
- IG wave heights ~10% of incident swell waves
- Local storm waves (<8s) do not result in IG wave energy
- Long period swell (> 15s) generate IG wave energy
- Long period swell (> 15s) + swell (<15s) + local storms generate maximum IG wave energy
- Tsunamis (seismic and meteorological) provide energy for oscillations

Inside port and harbours

- Oscillations independent of incident conditions; natural period of oscillations



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Abstract Submissions Close	15 Sep 2019
Registration Opens	13 Apr 2020
Earlybird Registration Closes	3 Jul 2020



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