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OBIS-SEAMAP:

Developing a biogeographic research data commons for the conservation of marine mammals, sea birds and sea turtles

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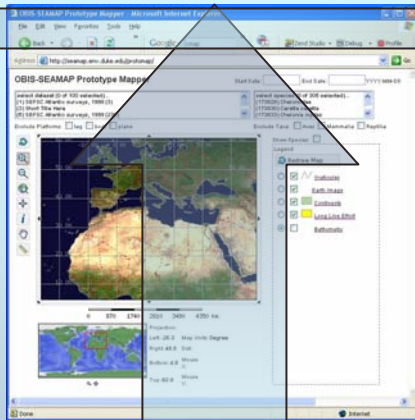
Overview



The inverted pyramid...

(Quoting: Edward Vanden Berghe)

data sharing / integration



data gathering

Information Systems

Best, Coyne & Halpin (Monday)

*Emerging open source software, standards and protocols used for **sharing** and analyzing marine biogeographic data*

Geographic Systems

Halpin *et al.* (Tuesday)

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Topics



- ✓ **OBIS-SEAMAP: overview / current status**
- ✓ **OBIS-SEAMAP: architecture / process**
- ✓ **Example Analyses:**
 - ✓ **Habitat modeling**
 - ✓ **Spatio-temporal modeling**

Conserving Marine Animals in a Dynamic Ocean...





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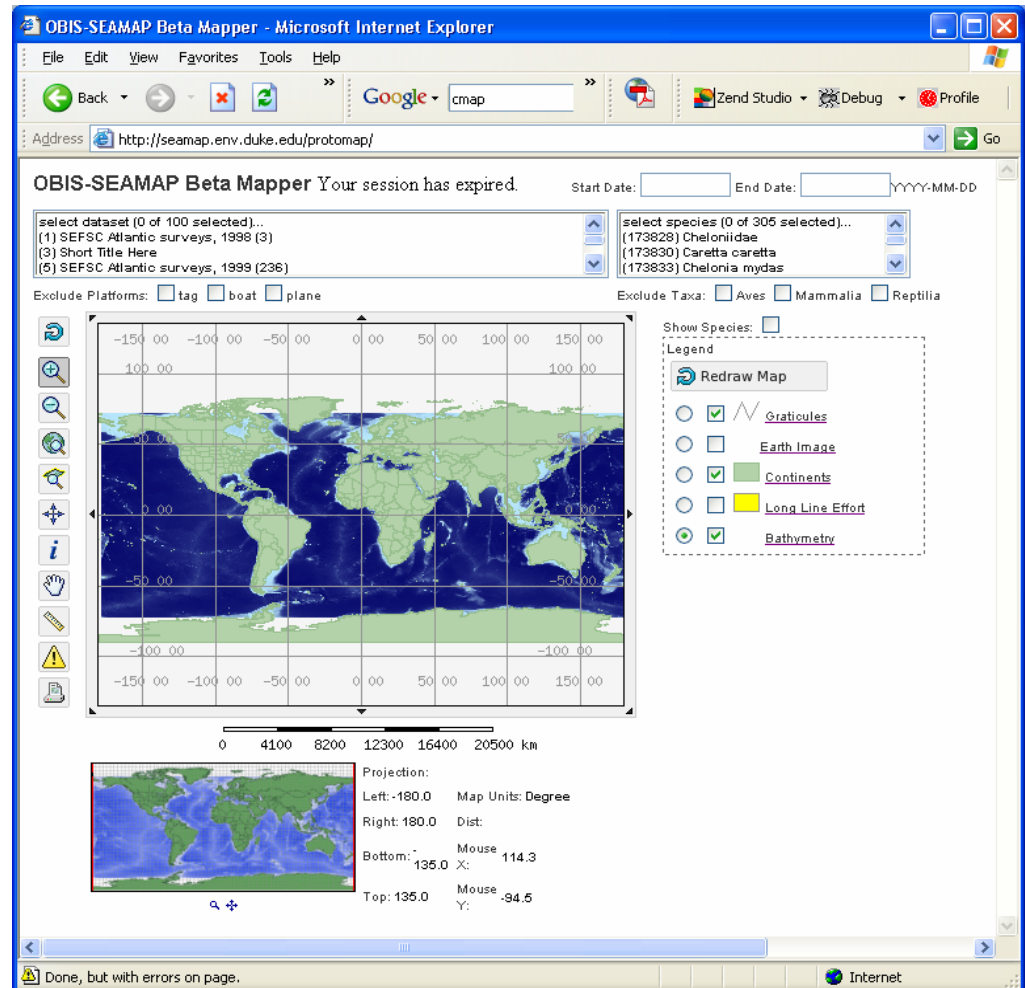


Spatial Ecological Analysis of Megavertebrate Animal Populations

Internet data collection

- Animal observations
- Oceanographic data
- Species profiles
- Analysis Tools

**Currently ~300,000
observations and growing**





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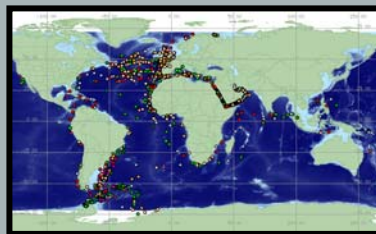
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Geospatial Analysis

Halpin (CO-PI)

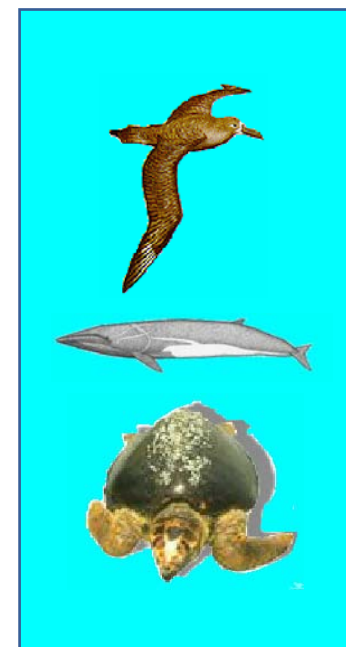
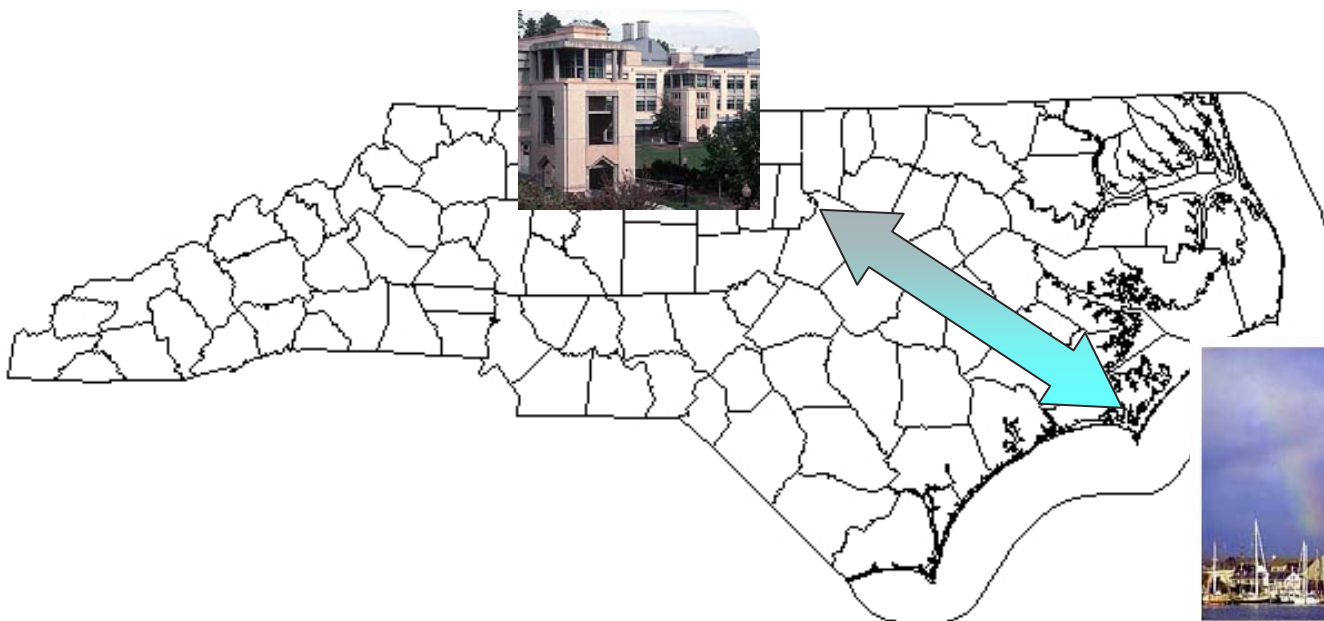
Best
Coyne



Marine Animals

Read (CO-PI)

Crowder (CO-PI)
Hyrenbach
Freeman



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Attract Data Providers with **Tools**

mapping tools; analysis with other biological, physical and anthropogenic data layers; FGDC / ISO metadata creation; download / upload facility



Build Online **Archive**

searchable by: species, location, time, methodology, provider; results mapped, and cross-referenced to species profiles and dataset details



Substantiate with **Research**

applied and fundamental research relating species distribution and abundance to ocean habitats, climate change, seasonal variability, and anthropogenic impacts

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Ocean **B**iogeographic Information **S**ystem

Spatial **E**cological **A**nalysis of **M**egavertebrate **P**opulations

marine mammals, seabirds, sea turtles

Search

- Query taxonomic, spatial and temporal data

Home > Data > Data Search

Taxonomic
Species (ie Grampus) see species coverage

Spatial *

Latitude: 90.0 N 180.0 W 180.0 E
Longitude: 90.0 S

Temporal **
Year Month Day
Begin
End

Output
Fields Brief
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Explore

- Browse datasets and species profiles

Home > Datasets > Cetacean Survey in NW Atlantic, 1995 by NOAA North East Fisheries Services Center (NEFSC)

Cetacean Survey in NW Atlantic, 1995 by NOAA North East Fisheries Services Center (NEFSC)

ID	21
# of Records	150
Date Begin	1995-Jul-1
Date End	1995-Aug-1
Latitude Min	36.58
Latitude Max	39.31
Longitude Min	-74.16
Longitude Max	-68.36

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Contacts

Name	Role	Date Modified
Debra Polka	Data Entry	2003-09-14

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Home > Species Profiles > Species Profile

Megaptera novaeangliae (Humpback whale)

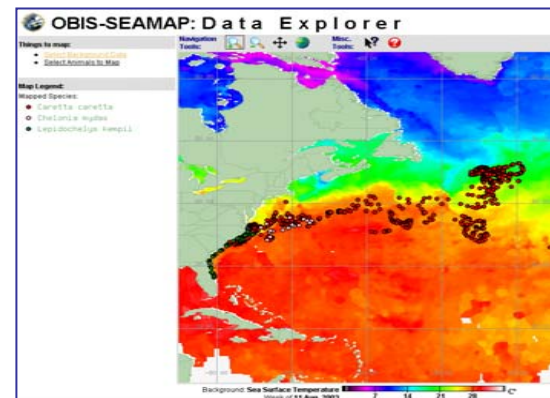
Names and Taxonomy
Physical Description / Field ID
Can be Confused With
Distribution
Ecology and Behavior
Feeding and Prey
Threats and Status
Links
References
Relevant OBIS-SEAMAP Datasets

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Map

- Interactively map biological and environmental data



Online Archive



Design Principle: Central database – multiple views

Taxonomic Search View

Scientific name search
Your search will be from orders

Scleractinia

To search for a genus

Pick from this list
Choose one

OR

Enter a genus name

OR

Click on the first letter of the genus name
(this search will be on all orders)
A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

To search for a species

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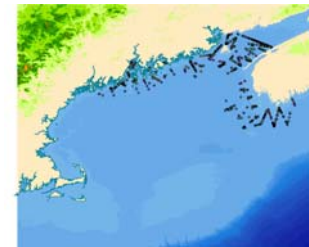
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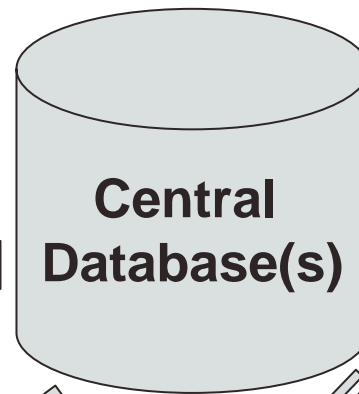
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GIS Files View

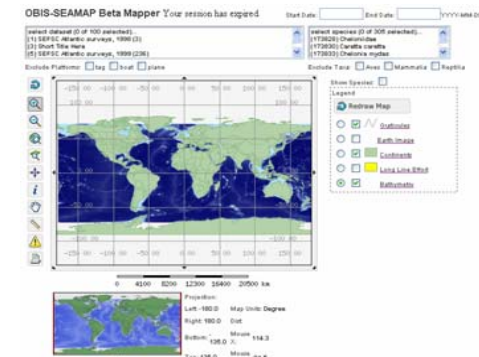


DODS Client View



Database View

Internet Map Server View


















Current Status



100 datasets, spanning 1947 – 2004,
(297,105 records)

Browse Datasets



tip: column headings are sortable				years				
title	map	platform	effort	begin	end	birds	mammals	turtles
Aerial surveys of marine birds and mammals in support of oil spill response and injury assessment		boat	no	1994	1997	15892	887	6
Allied Whale / College of Atlantic North Atlantic Humpback Whale Catalog, 1976 - 2003, ver2		boat	no	1976	2003	0	8	0
Allied Whale North Atlantic Finback Whale Catalogue		boat	no	1977	1991	0	648	0
BIOMASS		boat	no	1980	1985	16712	0	0
Cascadia Research Blue Whale Photo IDs for US West Coast, 1972-2002		boat	yes	1979	2002	0	5532	0
Cascadia Research Marine Mammal Surveys in US West Coast, 2002		boat	no	2002	2002	0	1220	0
Duke Marine Lab Albatross Tagging, 1997-1999		tag	yes	1997	1999	657	0	0
Duke North Atlantic Harbor Porpoise Tracking		tag	yes	1995	2000	0	5938	0
Duke North Atlantic Turtle Tracking		tag	yes	2002	2004	0	0	3383
East Pacific Sea Turtle Tracking Project (1996-1997)		tag	yes	1996	1997	0	0	394
Indian Ocean Marine Bird and Mammal Survey, 2003		boat	no	2003	2003	2893	31	0
IPHC Opportunistic Short-tailed Albatross		boat	no	1998	2002	141	0	0














Current Status



369 Species Profiles

Browse Species Profiles



marine mammals	<i>Sousa teuszii</i>	Atlantic humpback dolphin	
marine mammals	<i>Stenella attenuata</i>	Pantropical spotted dolphin	
marine mammals	<i>Stenella clymene</i>	Clymene dolphin	
marine mammals	<i>Stenella coeruleoalba</i>	Striped dolphin	
marine mammals	<i>Stenella frontalis</i>	Atlantic spotted dolphin	
marine mammals	<i>Stenella longirostris</i>	Spinner dolphin	
marine mammals	<i>Steno bredanensis</i>	Rough-toothed dolphin	
marine mammals	<i>Tasmacetus shepherdi</i>	Shepherd's beaked whale	
marine mammals	<i>Trichechus manatus</i>	manatee	
marine mammals	<i>Tursiops aduncus</i>	Indo-Pacific bottlenose dolphin	
marine mammals	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	Bottlenose dolphin	
marine mammals	<i>Ursus maritimus</i>	polar bear	
marine mammals	<i>Zalophus californianus</i>	California sea lion	
marine mammals	<i>Zalophus japonicus</i>	Japanese sea lion	
marine mammals	<i>Zalophus wollebaeki</i>	Galapagos sea lion	
mammals	<i>Balaenoptera physalus</i>	Fin whale	
marine mammals	<i>Berardius arnuxii</i>	Arnux's beaked whale	
marine mammals	<i>Berardius bairdii</i>	Baird's beaked whale	

Current Status



369 Species Profiles

- Natural history information
- Taxonomic classification
- Bibliography / Web Links
- Links to “prey” profiles

Caretta caretta (Loggerhead sea turtle)

Names and Taxonomy
Physical Description / Field ID
Can be Confused With
Distribution
Map of OBIS-SEAMAP Data
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Relevant OBIS-SEAMAP Datasets



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taxonomy & nomenclature	
Scientific Name	<i>Caretta caretta</i>
Taxonomic Rank	Subspecies
Original Description	(Linnaeus, 1758) Linnaeus, 1758 (Linnaeus, 1758)
Scientific Synonyms (since 1950)	<i>Caretta caretta caretta</i> ; <i>Testudo caretta</i>
Common Name	Loggerhead sea turtle
All Common Names	English: loggerhead sea turtle, loggerhead Spanish: Tortuga-marina caguama
Taxonomic Parents	Kingdom: Animalia Phylum: Chordata Subphylum: Vertebrata Class: Reptilia Order: Testudines Family: Cheloniidae Genus: <i>Caretta</i>
Taxonomic Children	
Taxonomic #	173830
Taxonomic data is courtesy of the Integrated Taxonomic Information System (ITIS)	



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Megaptera novaeangliae (Humpback whale)

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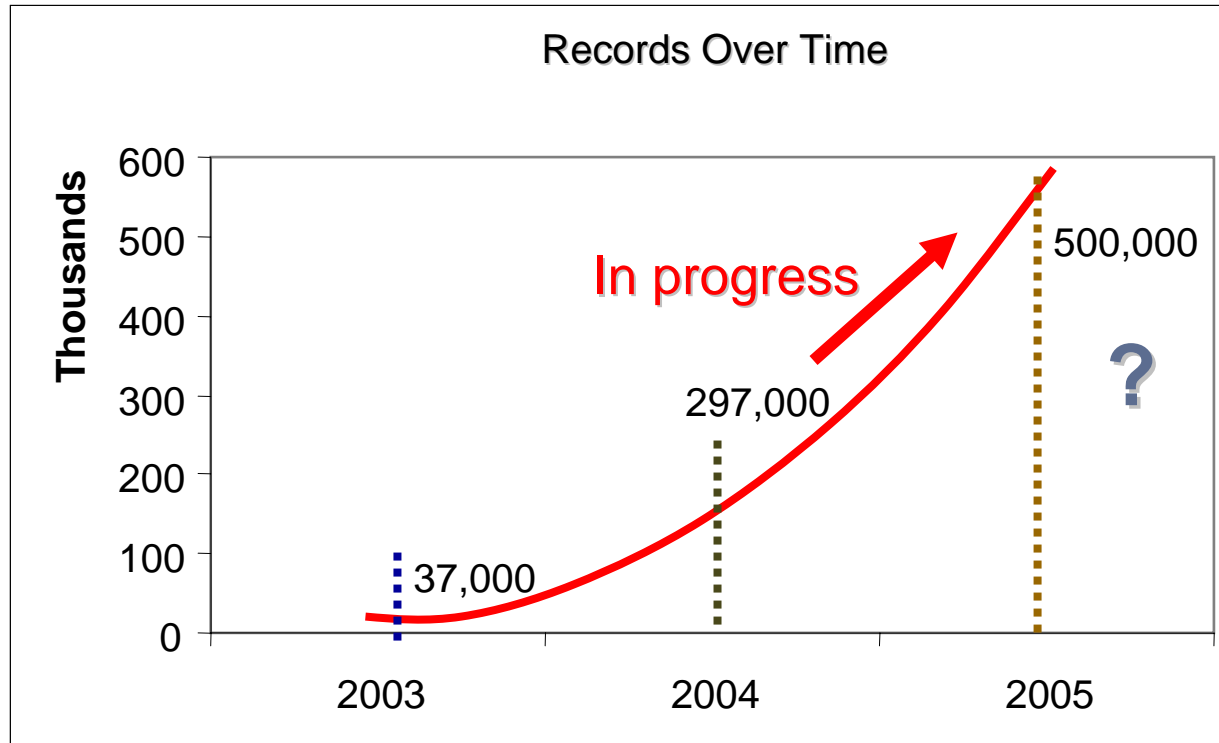
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Work in progress ...



Approximately ~50 additional datasets in progress



Startup

Capacity

Tools & Analysis

Data provider tools



cruise	year	month	day	time	lat	long	species	size
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aj9701	1997	8	24	6:52:31	39.99	-67.301	KILLER WHALE	3
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aj9701	1997	8	24	10:13:22	40.287	-66.725	FALSE KILLER WHALE	2

Go from **raw** data
to **mapped** data
with **taxonomies**
and **metadata**

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Datasets

ID	Title	Taxonomy	Metadata	Published	Actions
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[+ Add New Dataset](#)

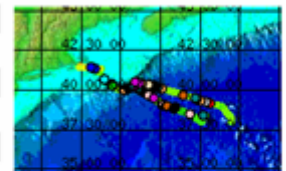
Using the
MyData
interface

Cetacean Survey in NW Atlantic, 1997 by NOAA North East Fisheries Services Center (NEFSC)

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Date, End	1997-Sep-4
Latitude, Min	38.38
Latitude, Max	41.40
Longitude, Min	-69.36
Longitude, Max	-61.84

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Data Provider Profiles



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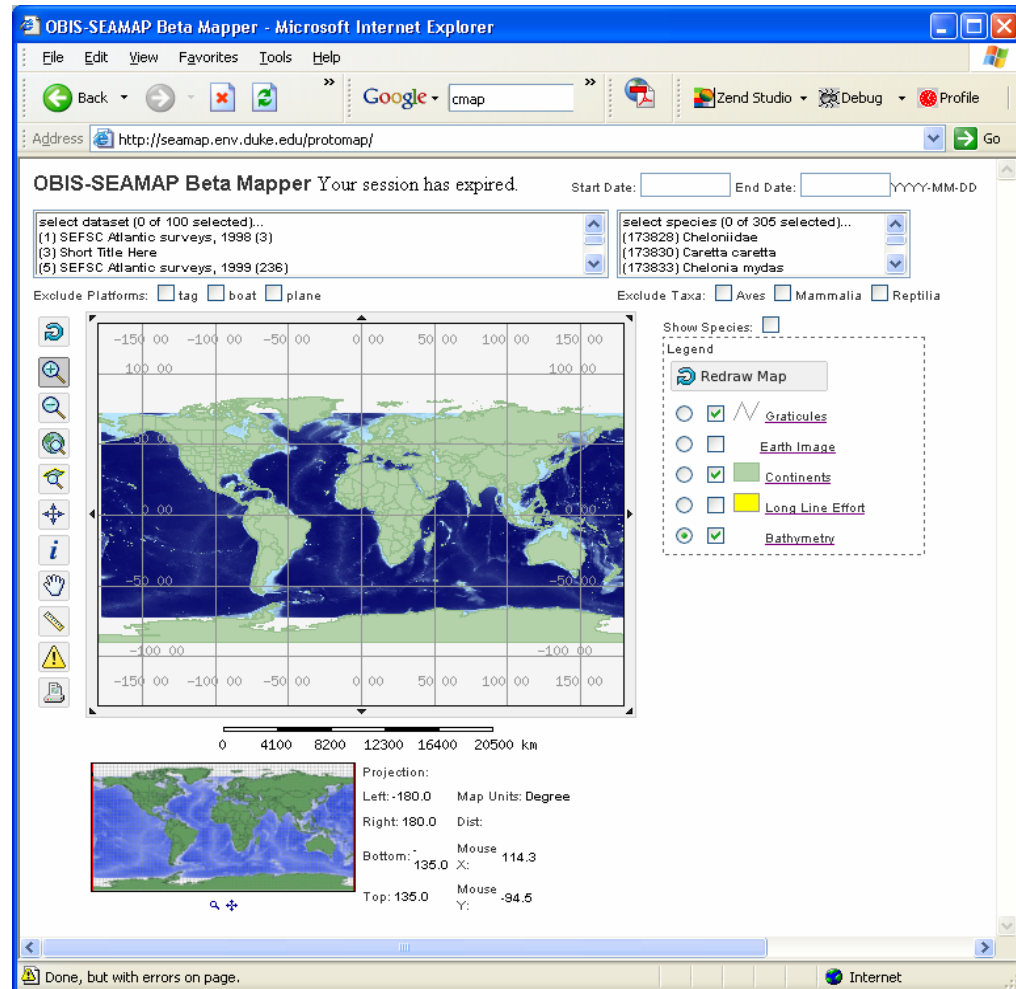
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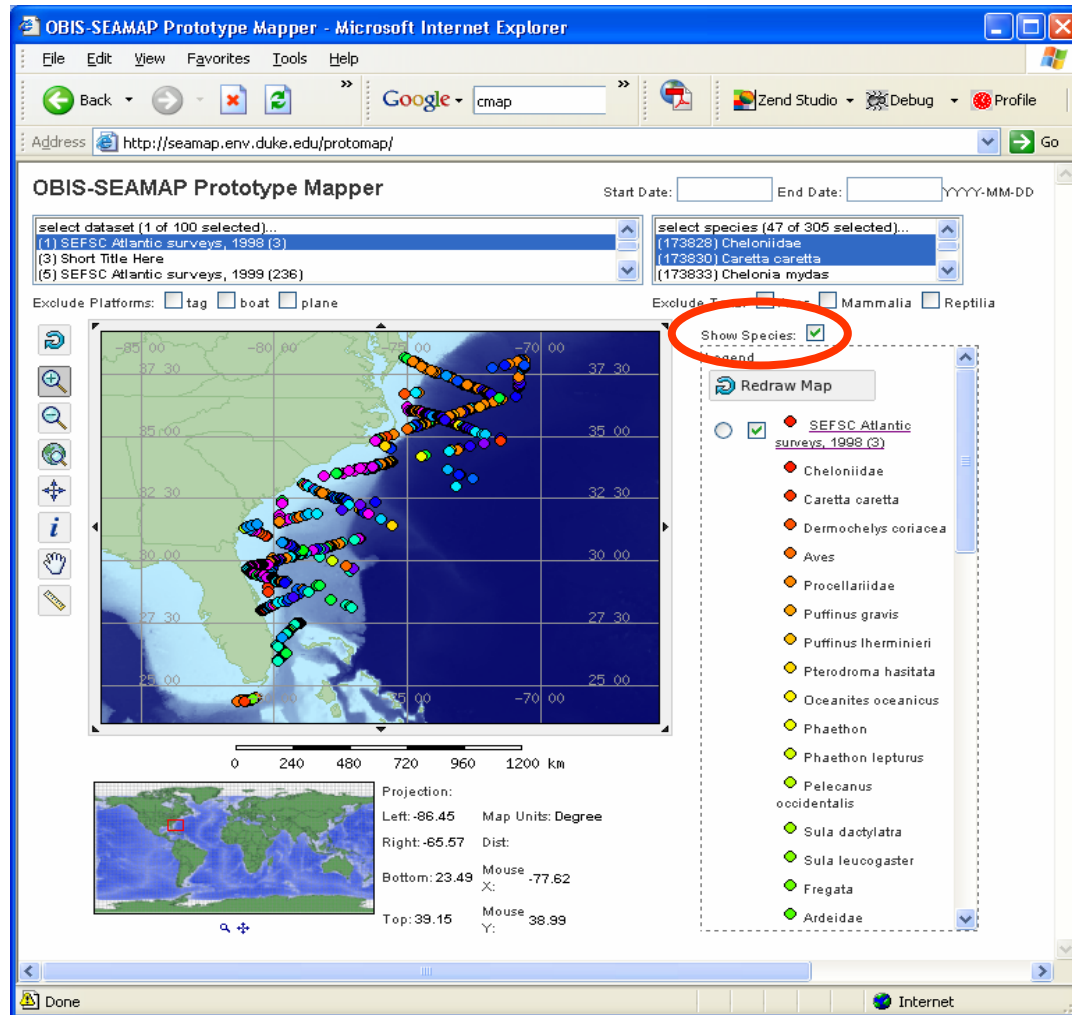
Personalized provider profiles:

- ✓ *acknowledge contributions*
- ✓ *facilitate dataset management*
- ✓ *promote cooperation*

Mapping functionality:

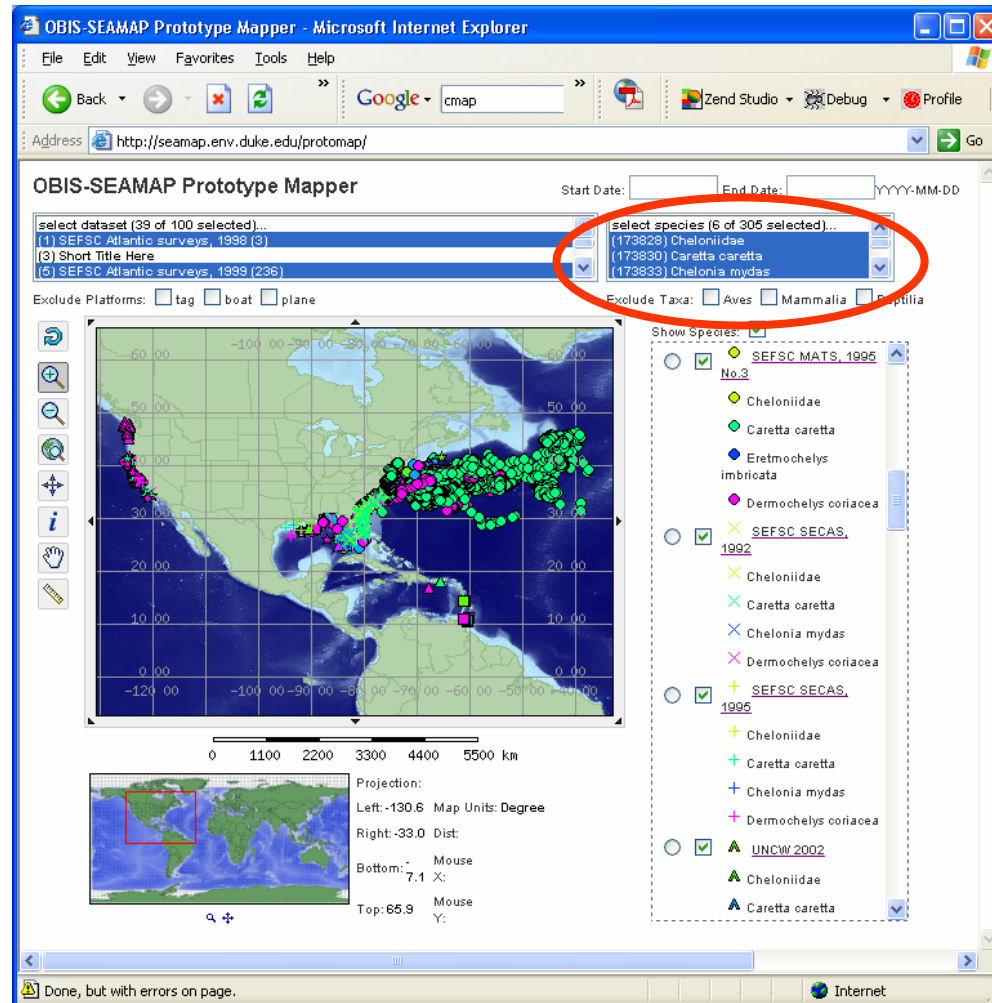


Mapping functionality: *Show species*

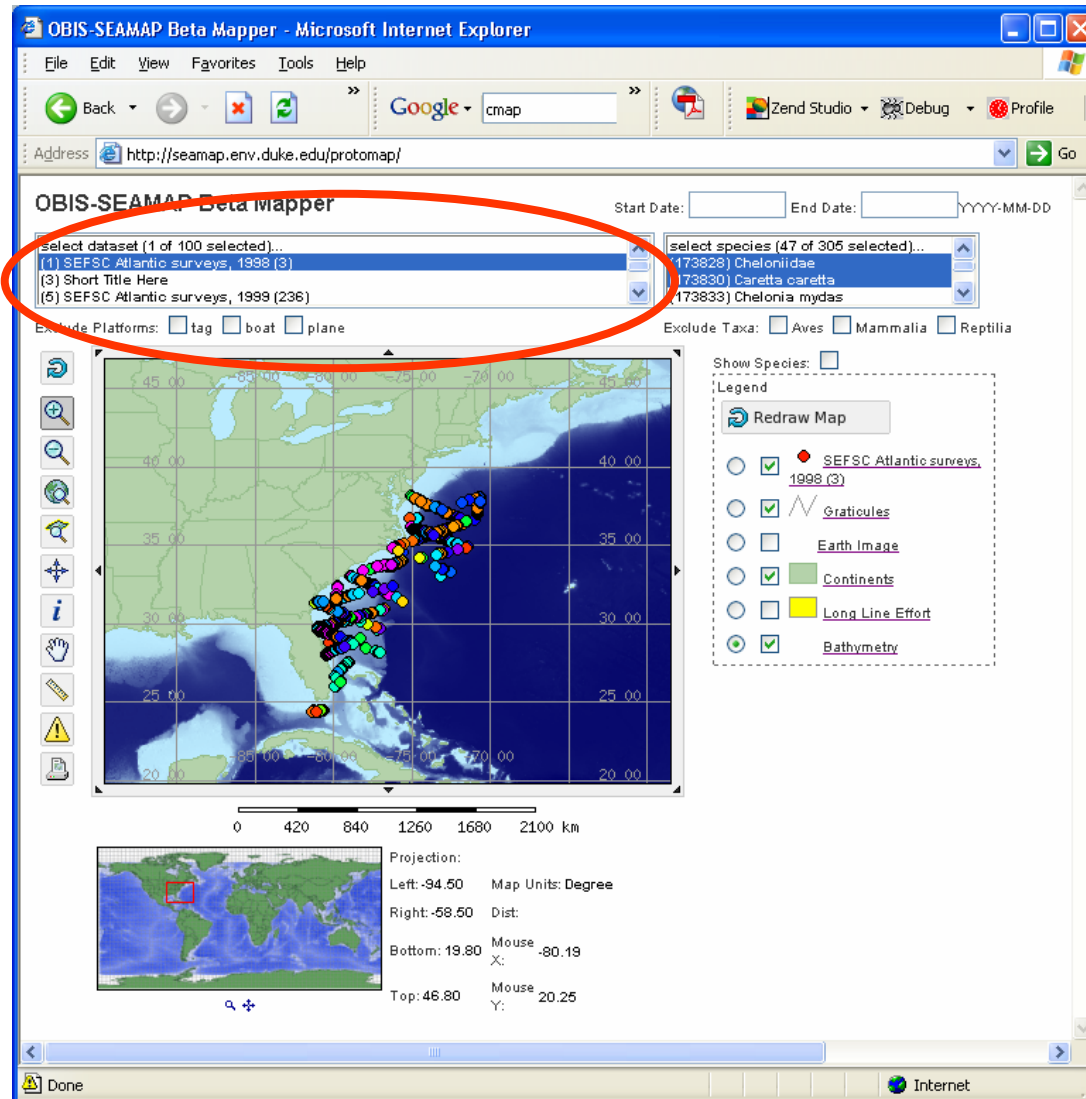


Mapping functionality:

Select by species

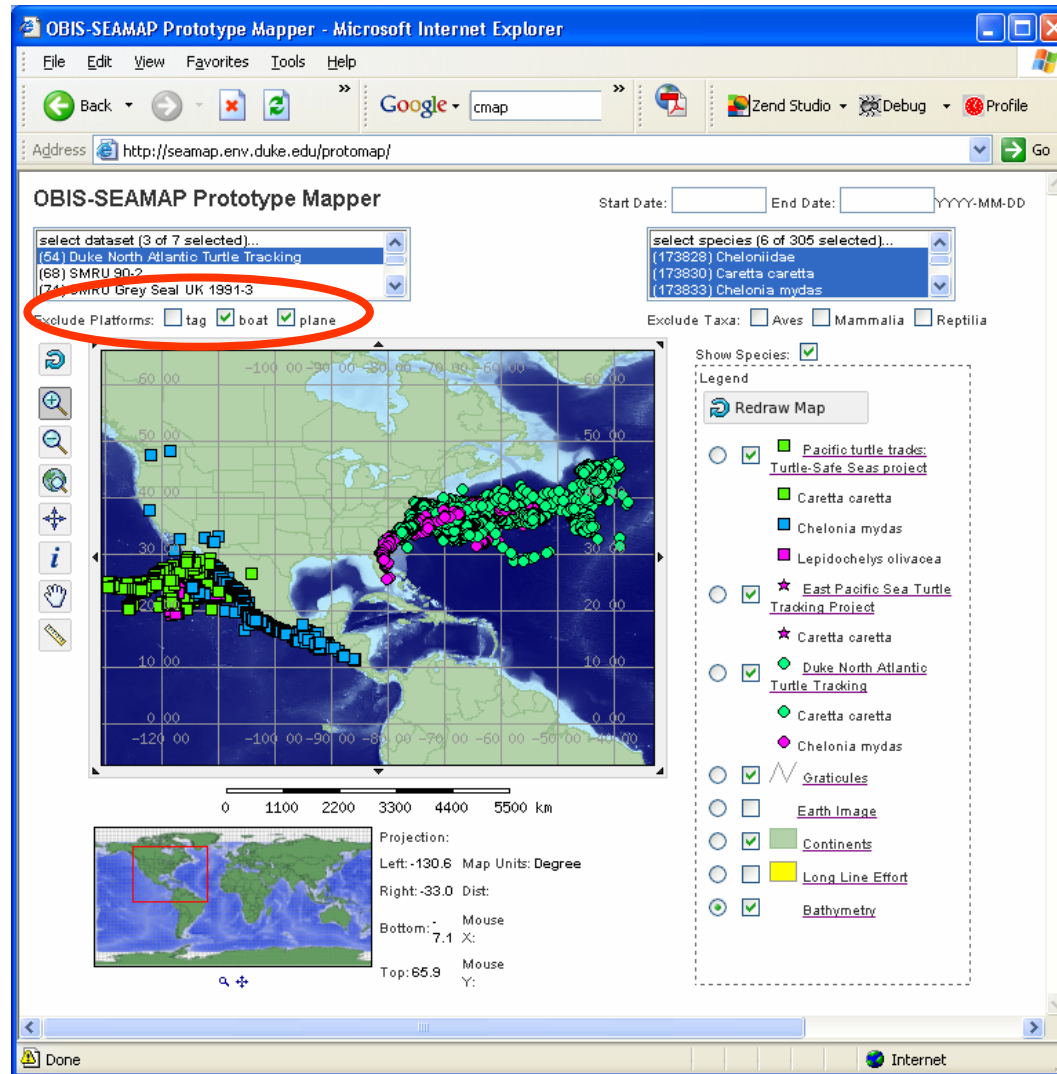


Mapping functionality: *Select by Survey*

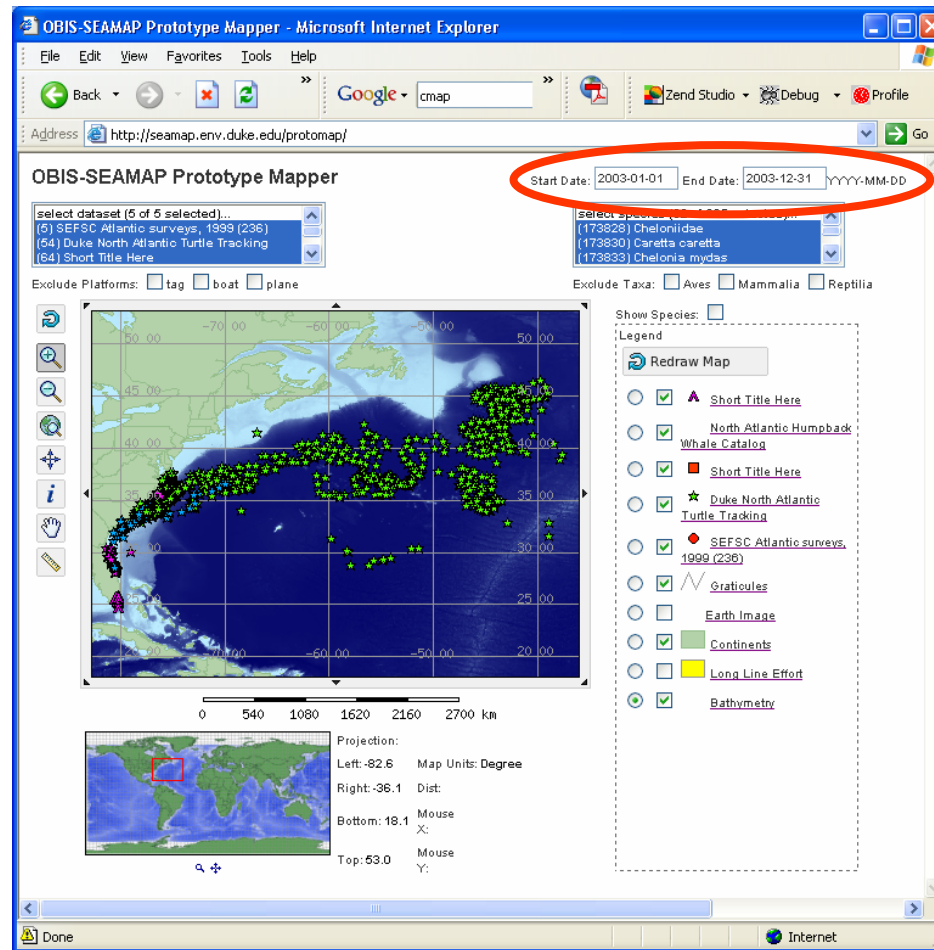


Mapping functionality:

Exclude by survey type



Mapping functionality: *Select by date*



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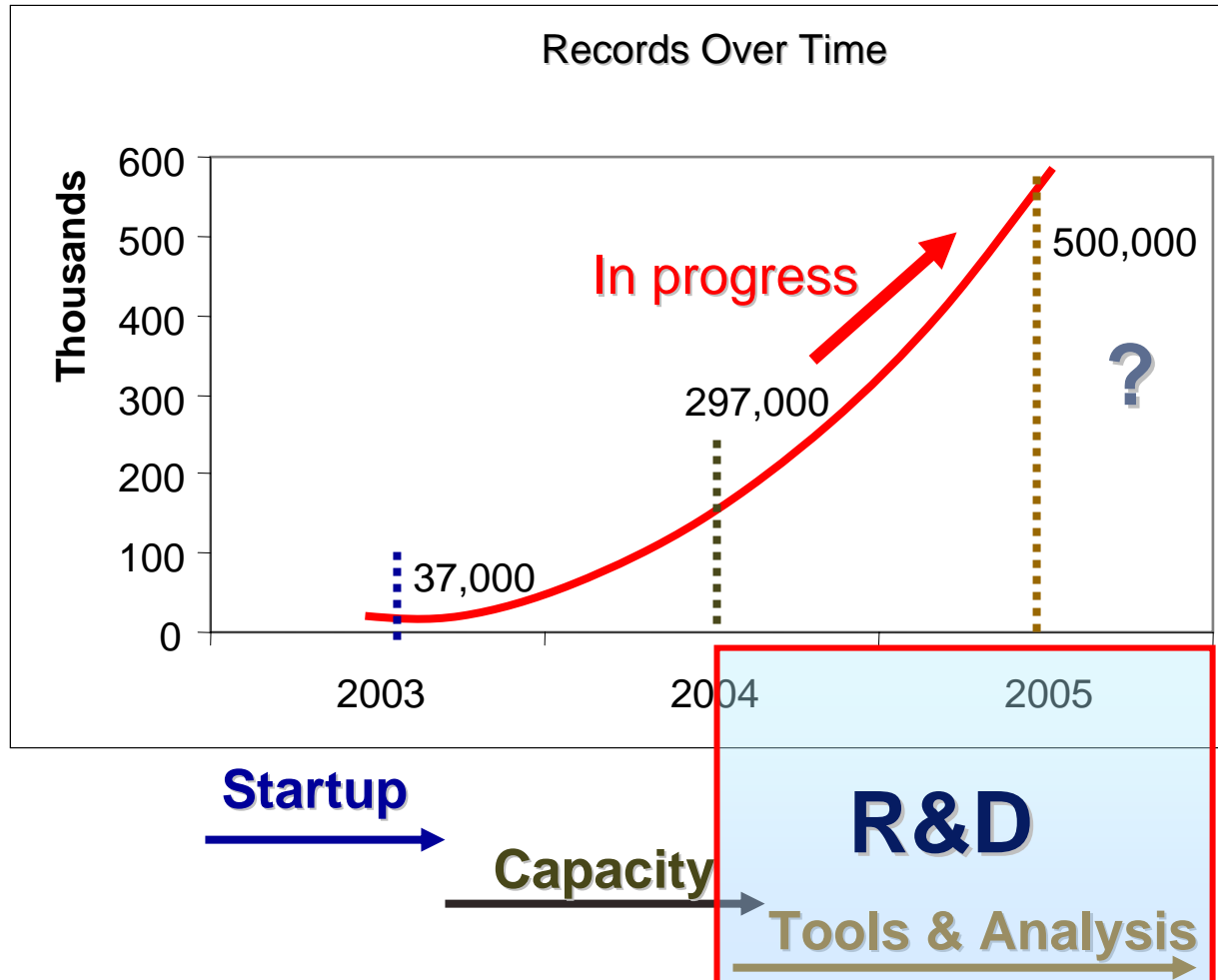
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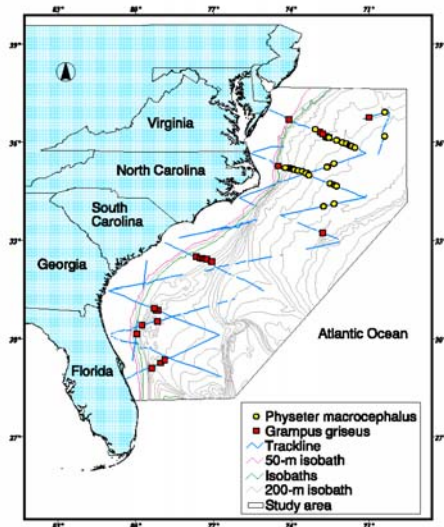
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Marine habitat modeling



General Marine Mammal Habitat Modeling Approach

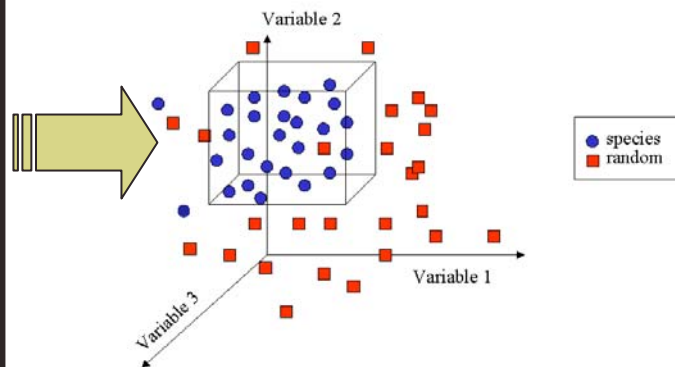
Geographic Space



Sample Data

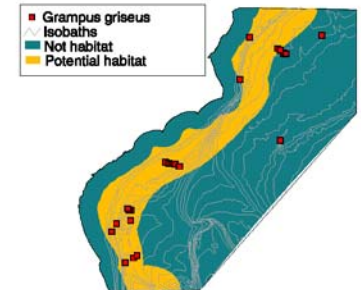
Statistical Applications Data Space

Species ~ Variable 1 + Variable 2 + Variable 3



Redefine Model

Geographic Space



Model Habitat

Sperm Whale: *Physeter macrocephalus*

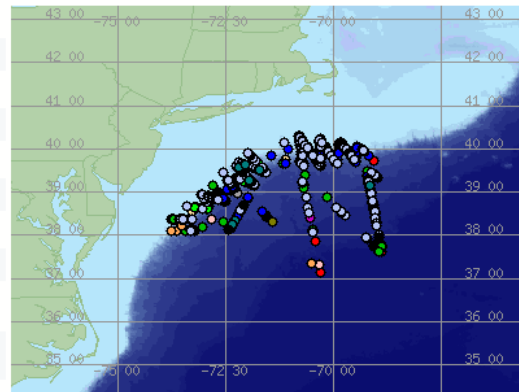


Two NEFSC Data sets

NEFSC 98 1

NEFSC 98 1

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Date, End	1998-Aug-3
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Latitude, Max	40.30
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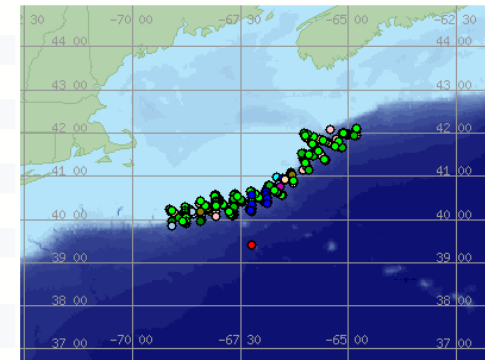
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Date, End	1998-Aug-31
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Longitude, Min	-69.13
Longitude, Max	-64.80

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 interactive map

Citation

Palka, Debi. 1998. Northeast Fisheries Science Center 1998 Survey 2.

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Sperm Whale: *Physeter macrocephalus*



SEFSC Atlantic surveys, 1998 (3)

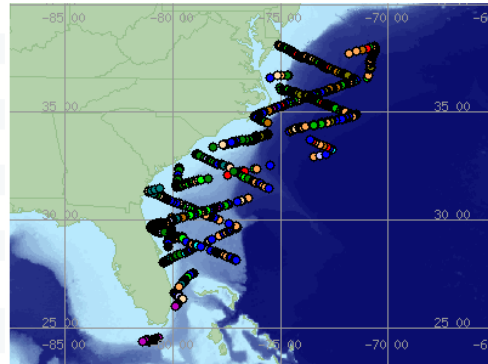
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Latitude, Max	38.14
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Longitude, Max	-70.61

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Sources: Cruise Results; Summer Atlantic Ocean Marine Mammal Survey; NOAA Ship Relentless Cruise RS 98-01 (3).

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Two SEFSC Data sets

SEFSC Atlantic surveys, 1999 (236)

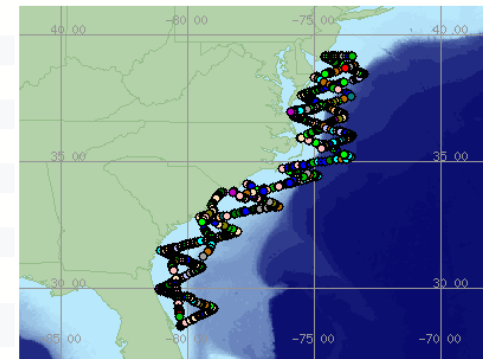
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Environmental Variables

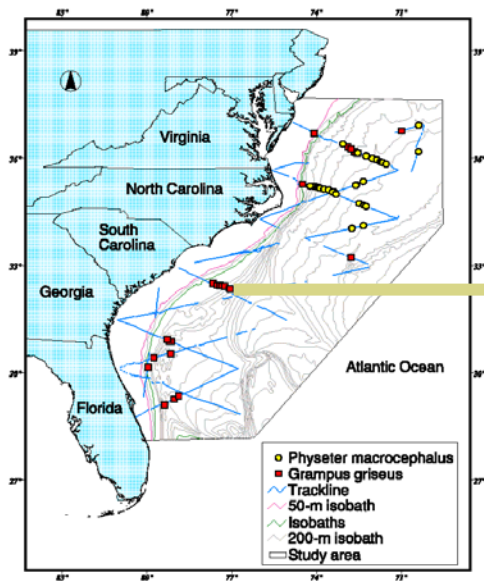


Regional / Seasonal: Classification / Regression Models

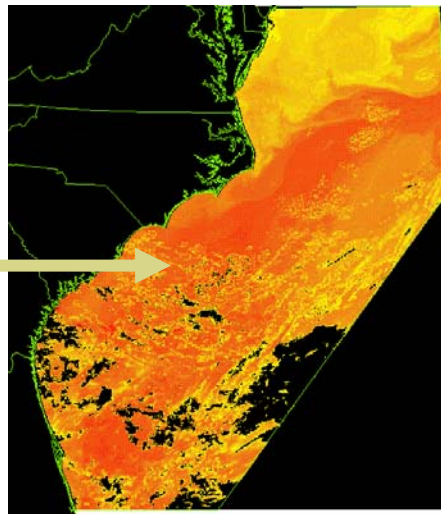
e.g., Depth, Slope, Sea Surface Temperature, Sea Surface Height,
Distance to Shore, Chlorophyll, Temperature Gradients

Multiple environmental variables associated across time series

Observation Dataset (Cruise)



Environmental Variable(s)



AVHRR-SST 1 Daily observation

Time-series
Environmental Variable(s)



47 AVHRR-SST images
7/9/98 - 8/17/98
temporally composited observations



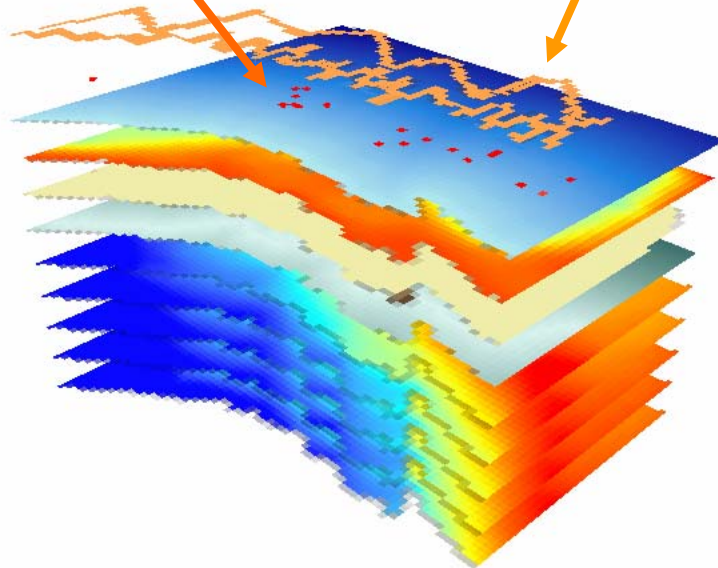
Environmental Variables

Regional / Seasonal: Classification / Regression Models

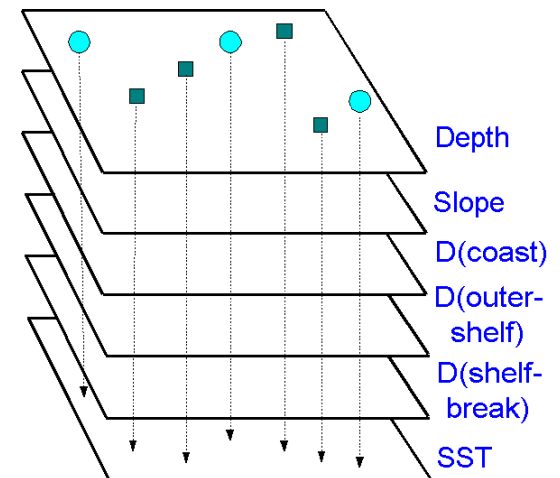
Multiple environmental variables associated with each observation point

Marine animal
Observations

Cruise transects
(sampling effort)



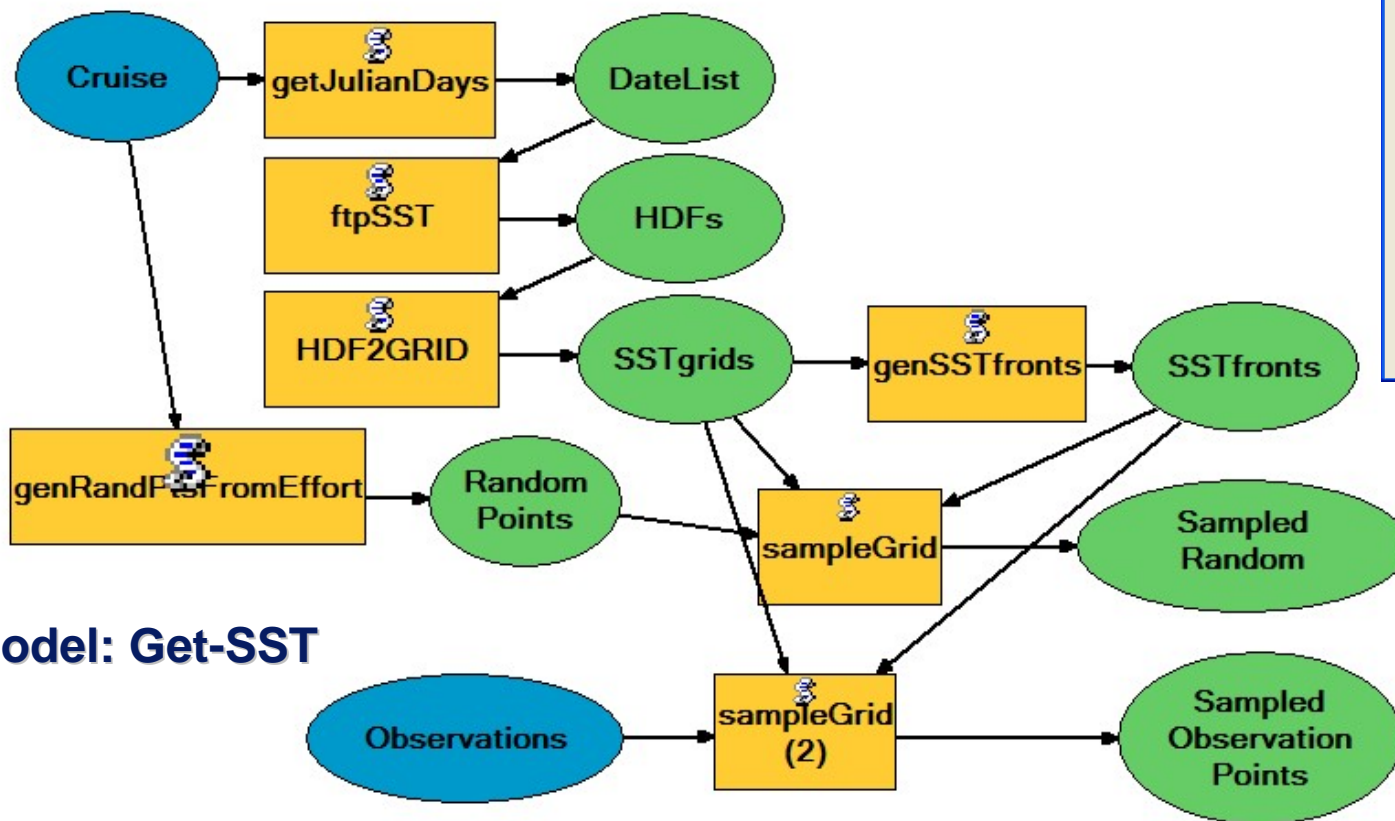
Sample points
vs. random points



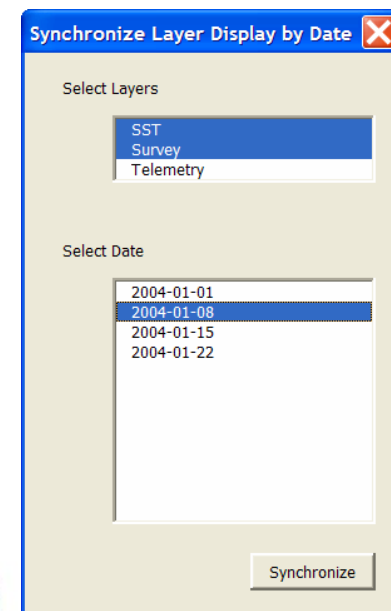
Analysis – Data Extraction Tools



Models to automatically extract environmental data layers for spatio-temporal analysis



Model: Get-SST



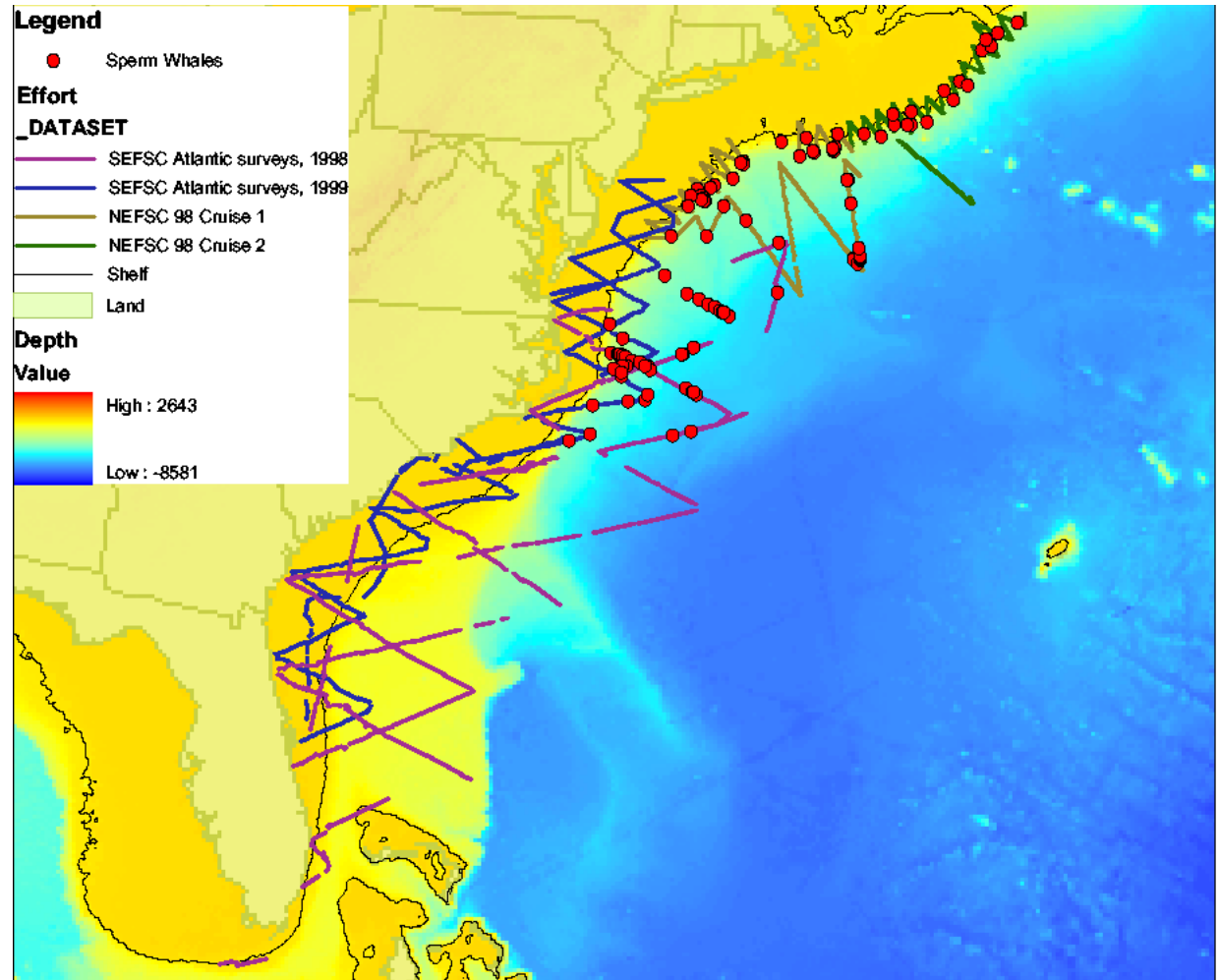
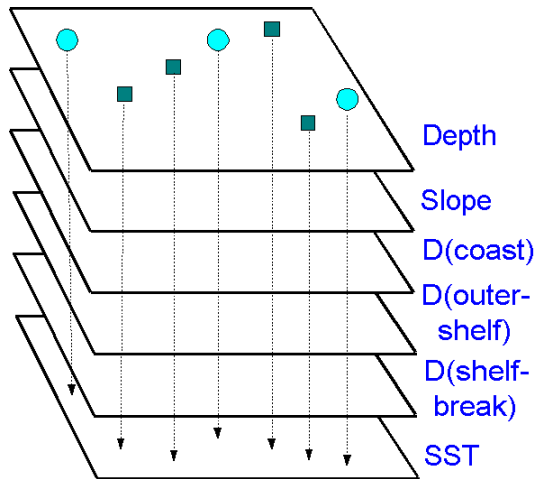
Sperm Whale: *Physeter macrocephalus*

Physeter macrocephalus



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Sample points
vs. **random** points



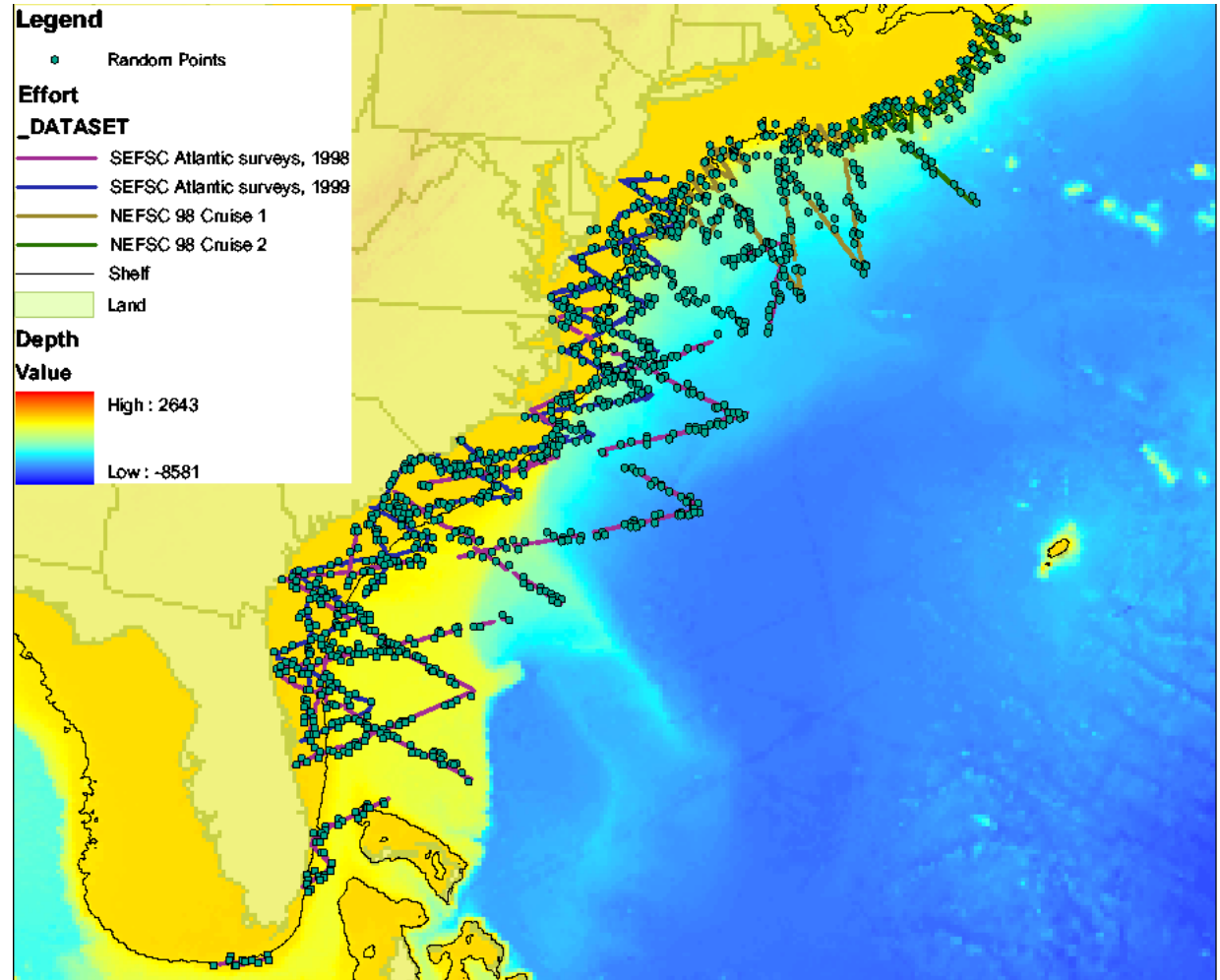
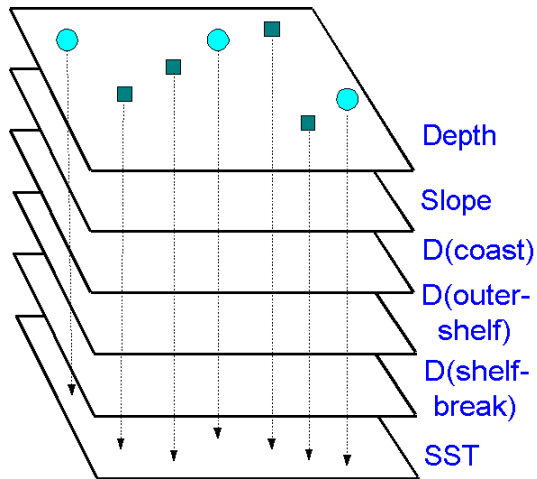
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Physeter macrocephalus



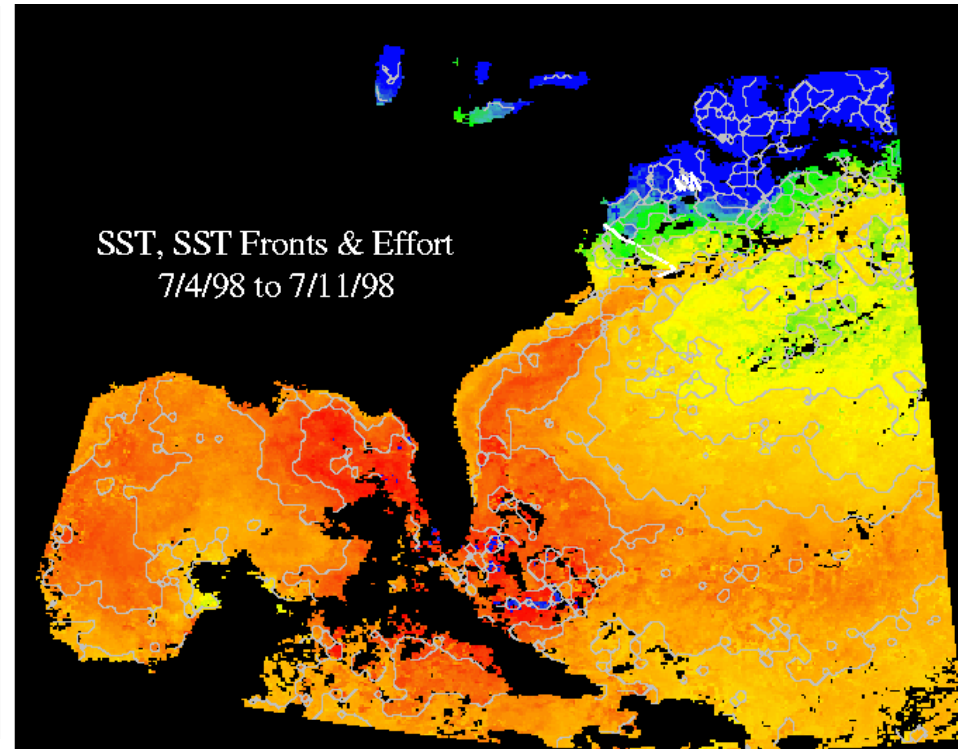
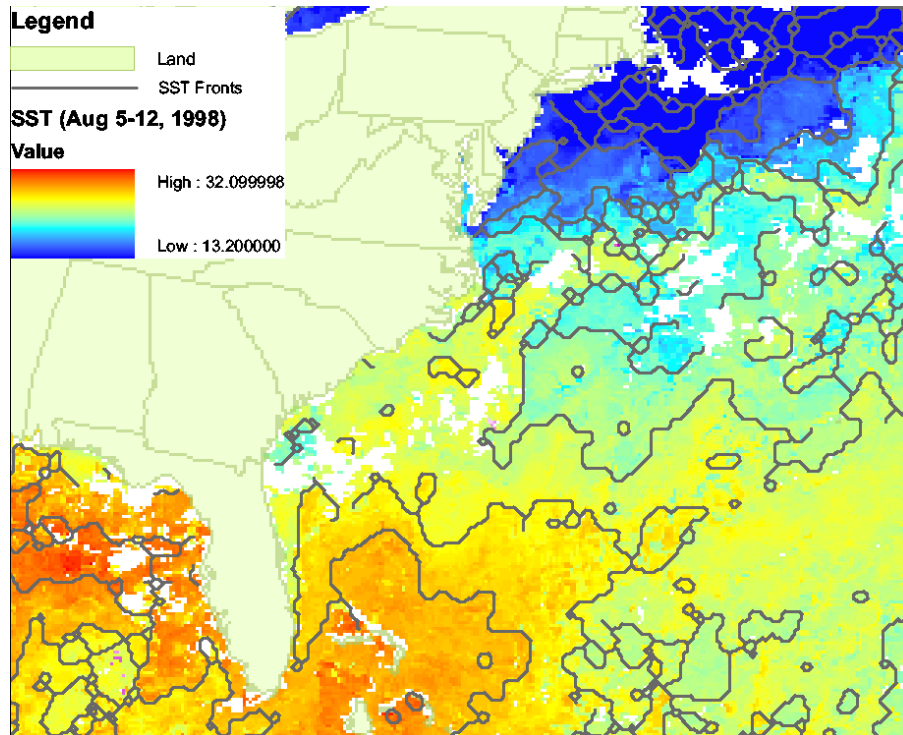
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Sample points
vs. random points



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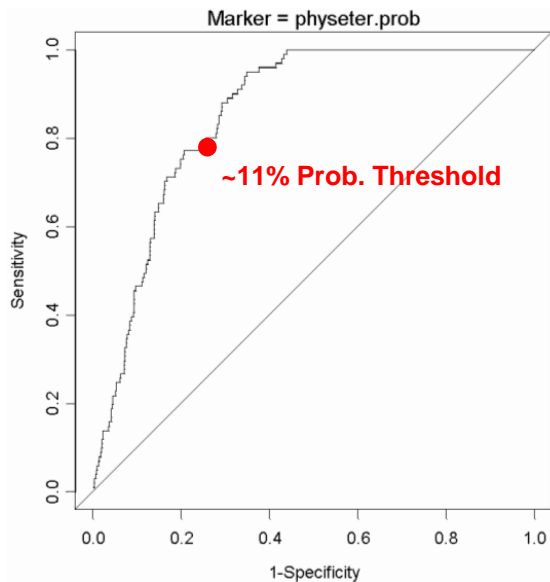
Environmental data: SST, fronts & distance to fronts



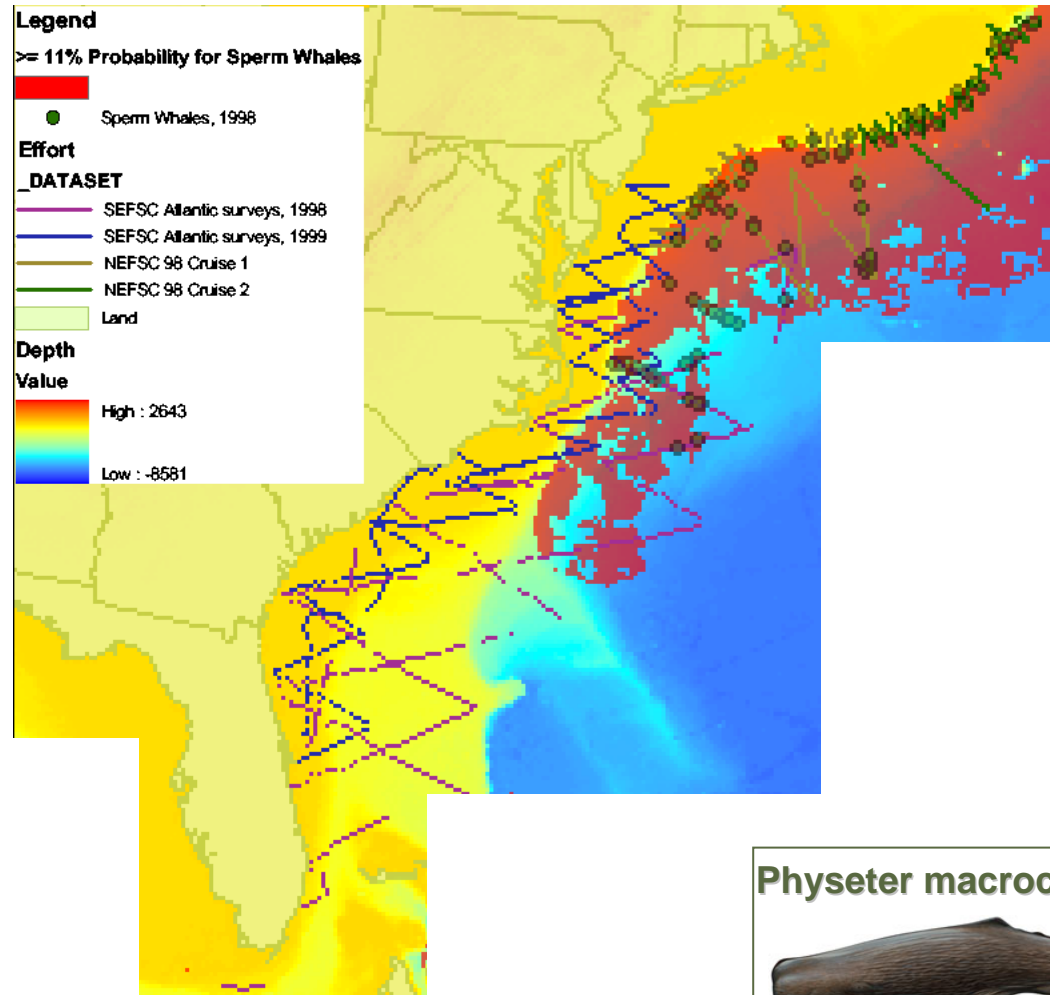
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Using a >11% probability threshold:

Optimizes
“errors of omission” vs.
“errors of commission”



Model output calculated for: oceanographic conditions, August 5-12 1998

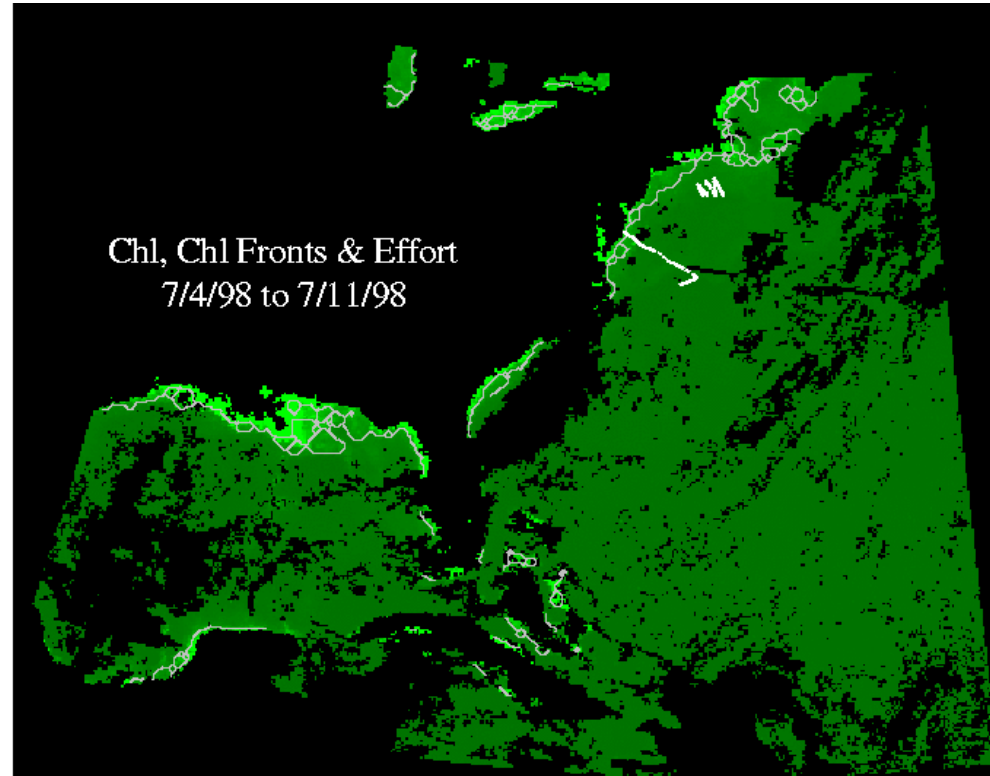
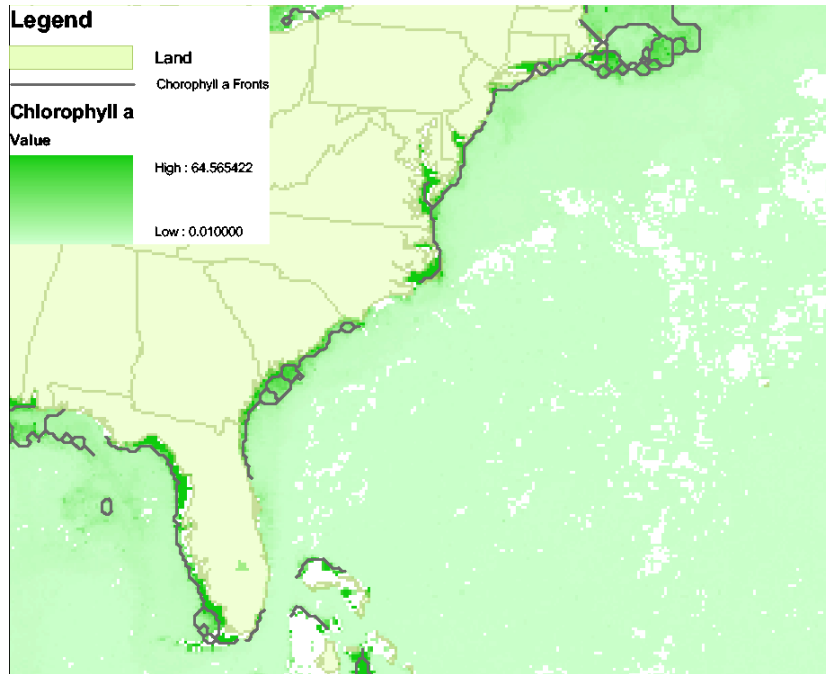


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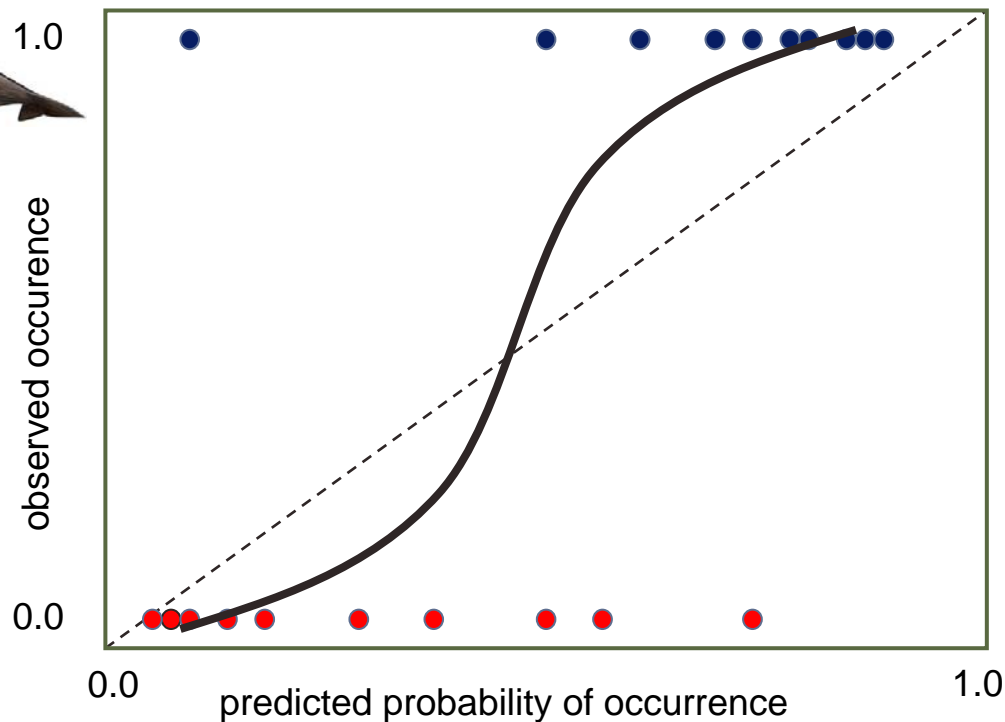
Logistic Regression



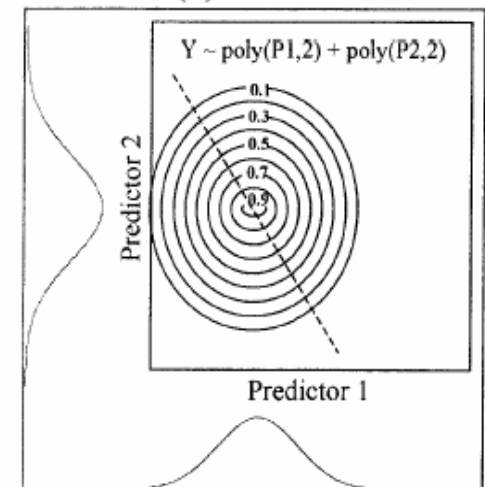
Describes how a binary (0 or 1) response variable is associated with a set of explanatory variables

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physeter.logit < glm (OCC ~SST + SSTDIS2FR + CHL + CHLDIS2FR + DEPTH + DIST2SHELF + DIST2SHORE,
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Presence .vs Absence Model



(a) GLM



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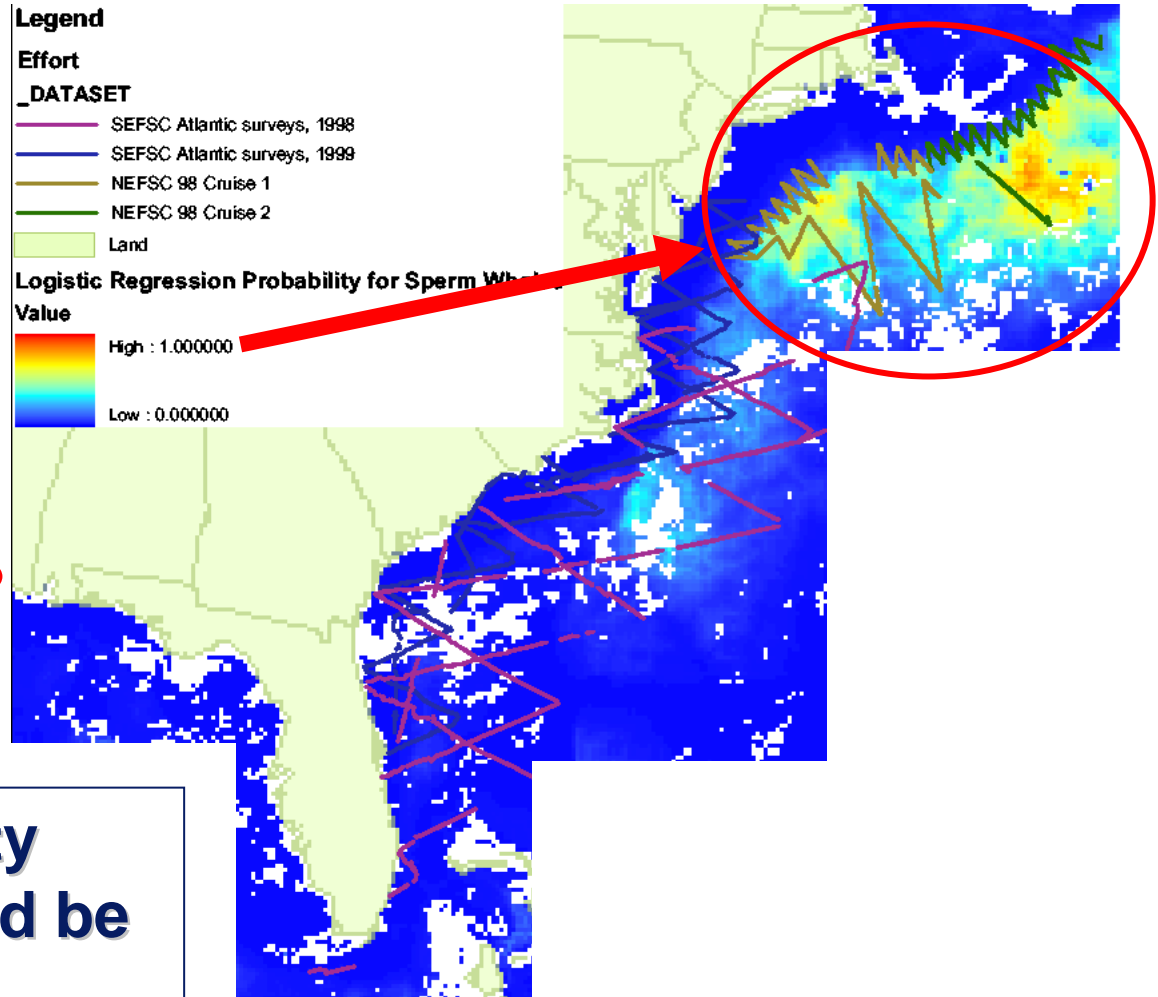
0 - 100% probability range

No threshold set for habitat

.vs non-habitat

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What probability threshold should be used?



Model evaluation:



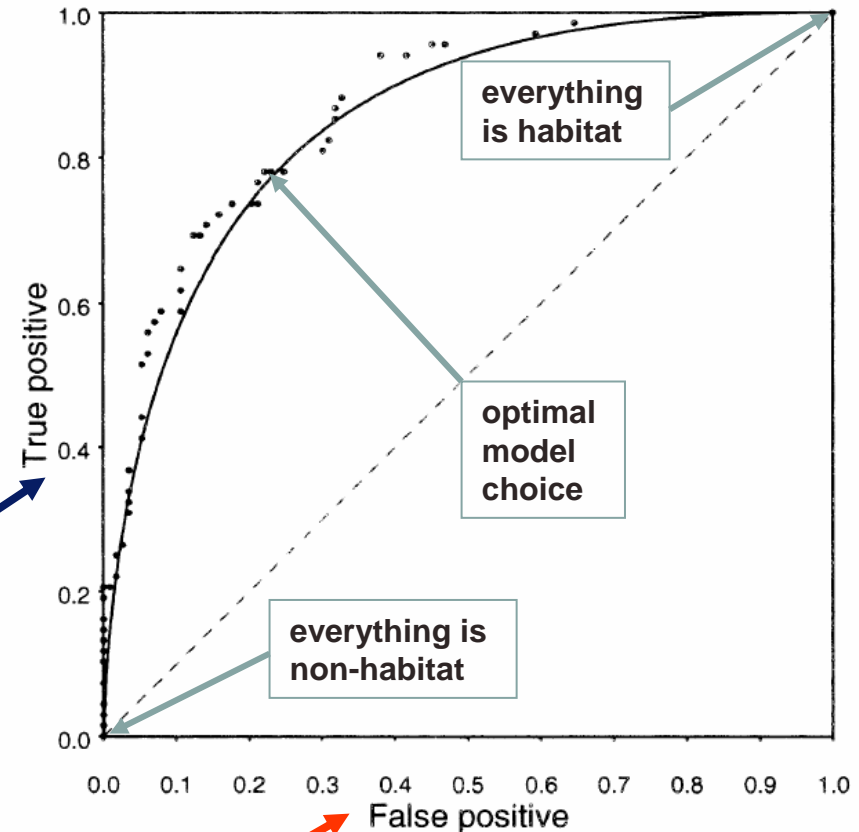
ROC: Receiver Operator Curves

- Select the optimal threshold (**not just guess at >0.5 probability**)
- Maximum sensitivity and specificity

Sensitivity = $a/a+b$ (true positive)

Specificity = $d/b+d$ (true negative)

The 45° line represents the sensitivity and false positive values expected to be achieved by chance alone for each decision threshold.



True Positive Fraction

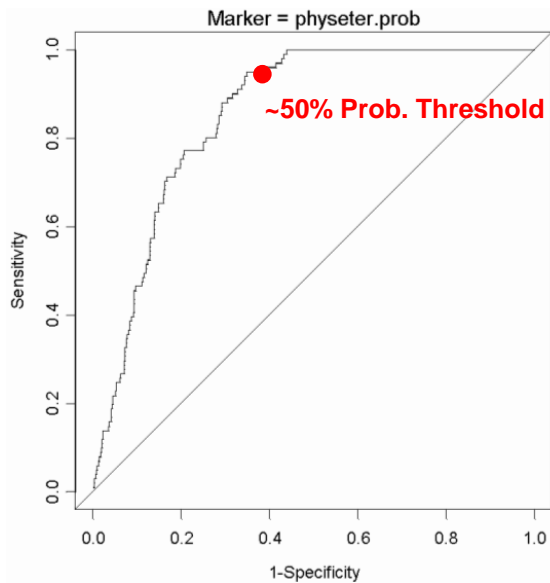
	Recorded present	Recorded absent	
Predicted present	A	B	A + B
Predicted absent	C	D	C + D
	A + C	B + D	A + B + C + D

False Positive Fraction

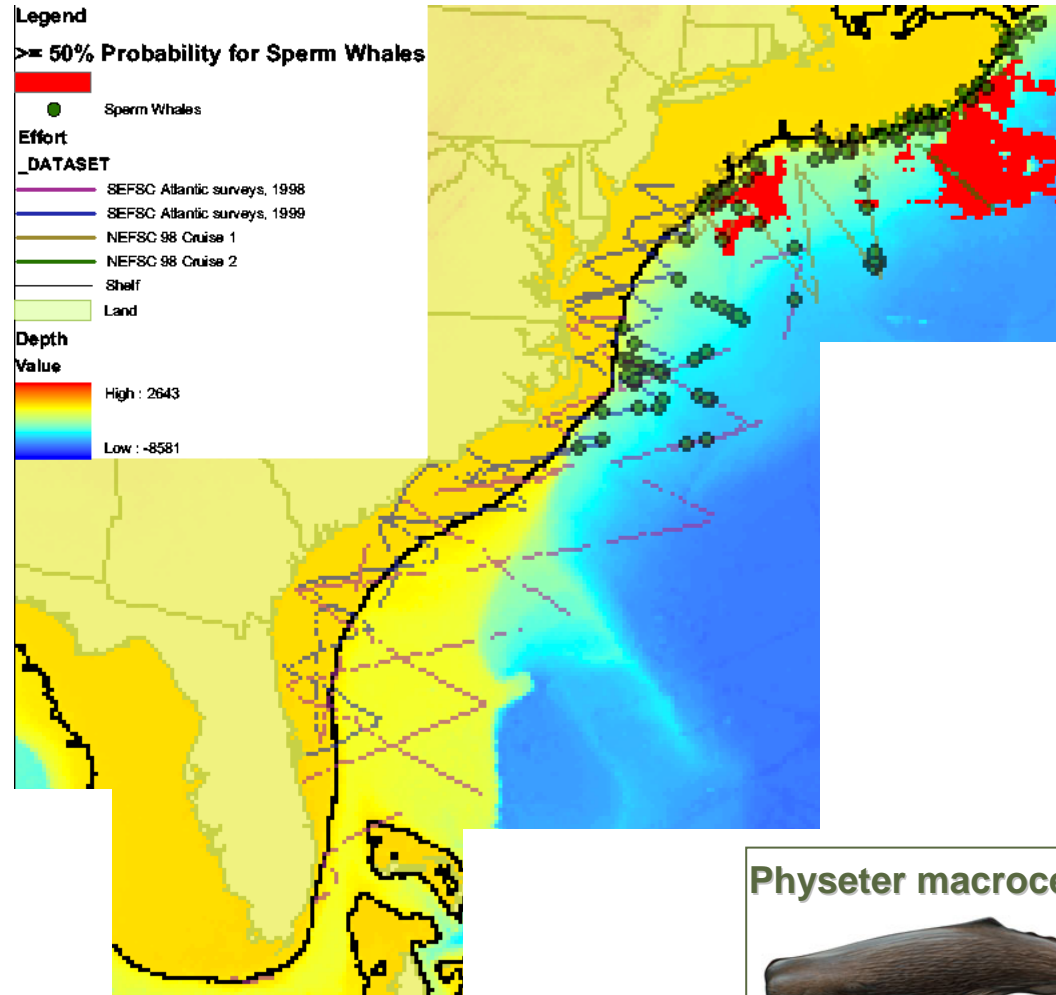
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Using a >50% probability threshold:

Too conservative
many “errors of omission”



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conditions, August 5-12 1998



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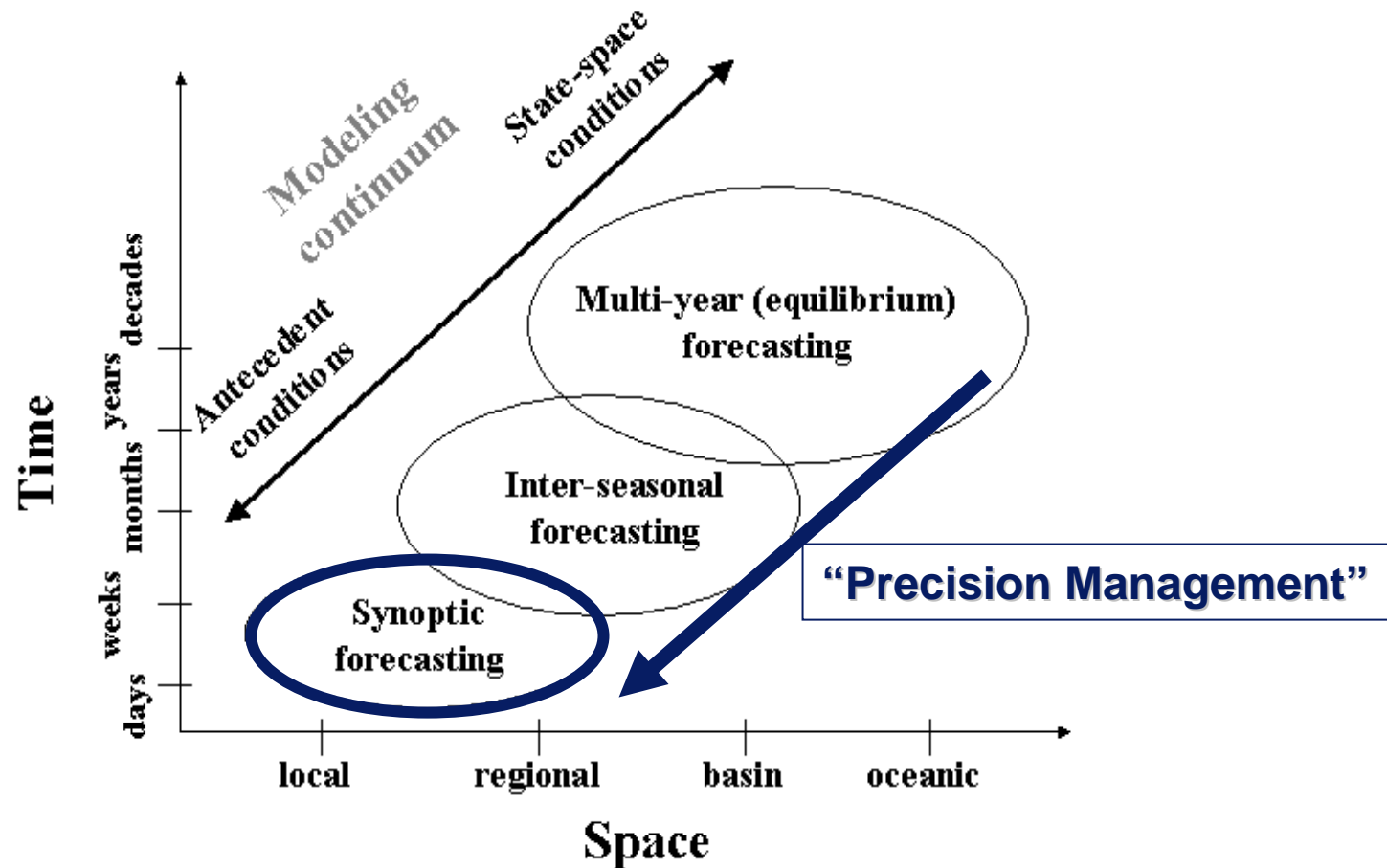


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Marine animal habitat modeling

Spatio - Temporal Modeling Approaches

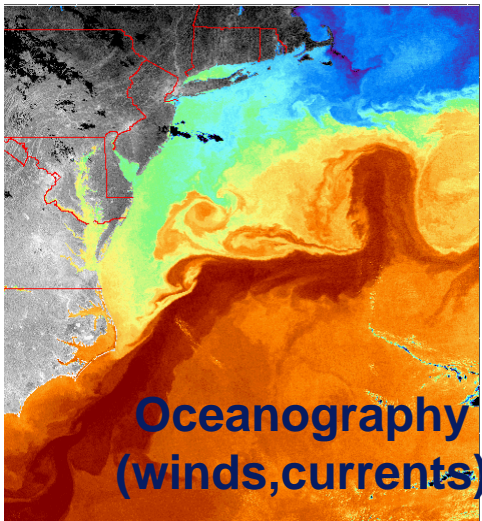


The emerging management applications are at these finer temporal scales...

Spatio - temporal habitat modeling



At large spatial scales:



**Marine animal
distribution**

Temporal lags



**Primary
productivity**

At finer spatial scales:

Bathymetric and water
temperature gradients

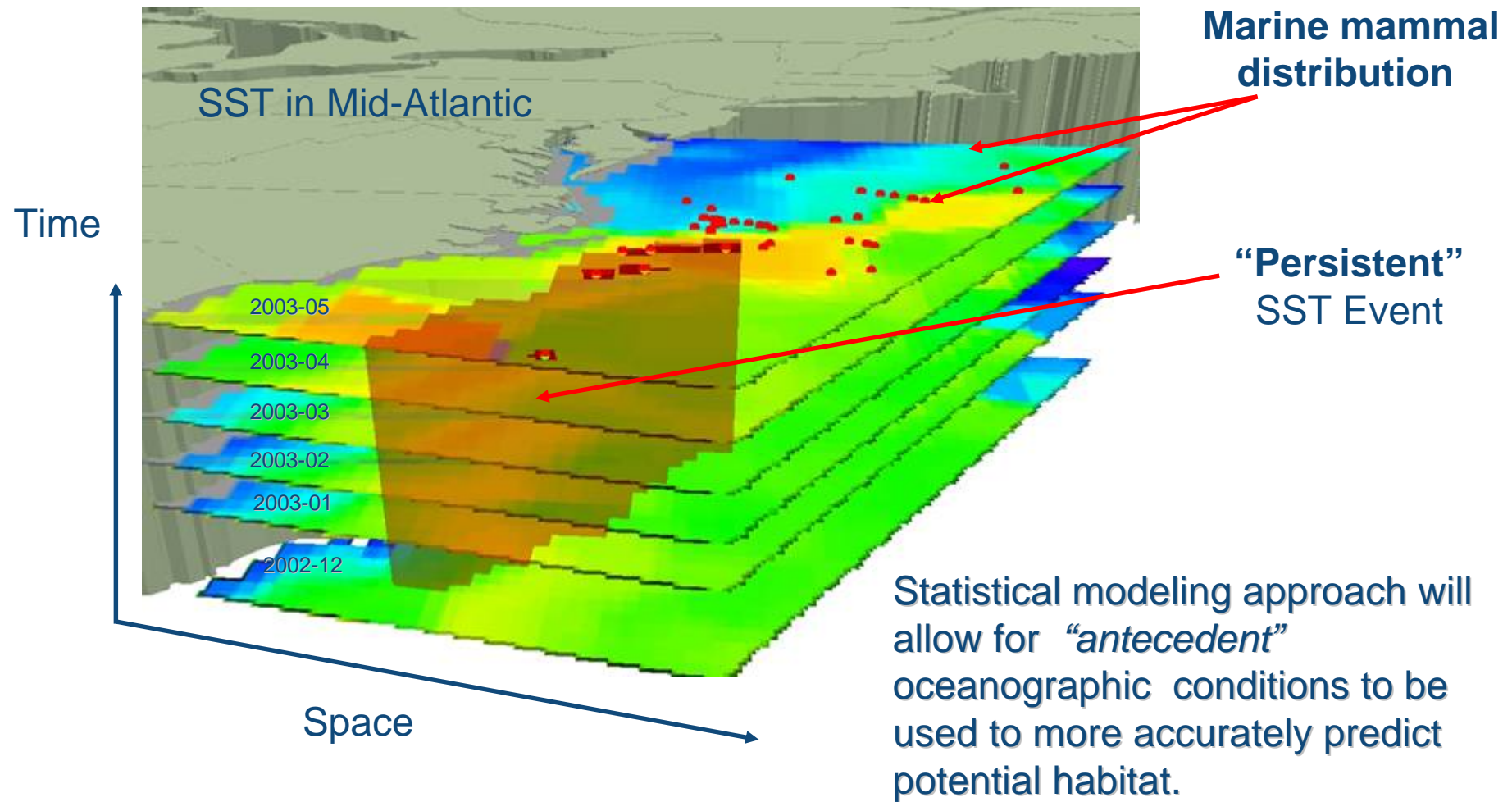
Prey
availability

Marine mammal
distribution

Marine animal habitat modeling



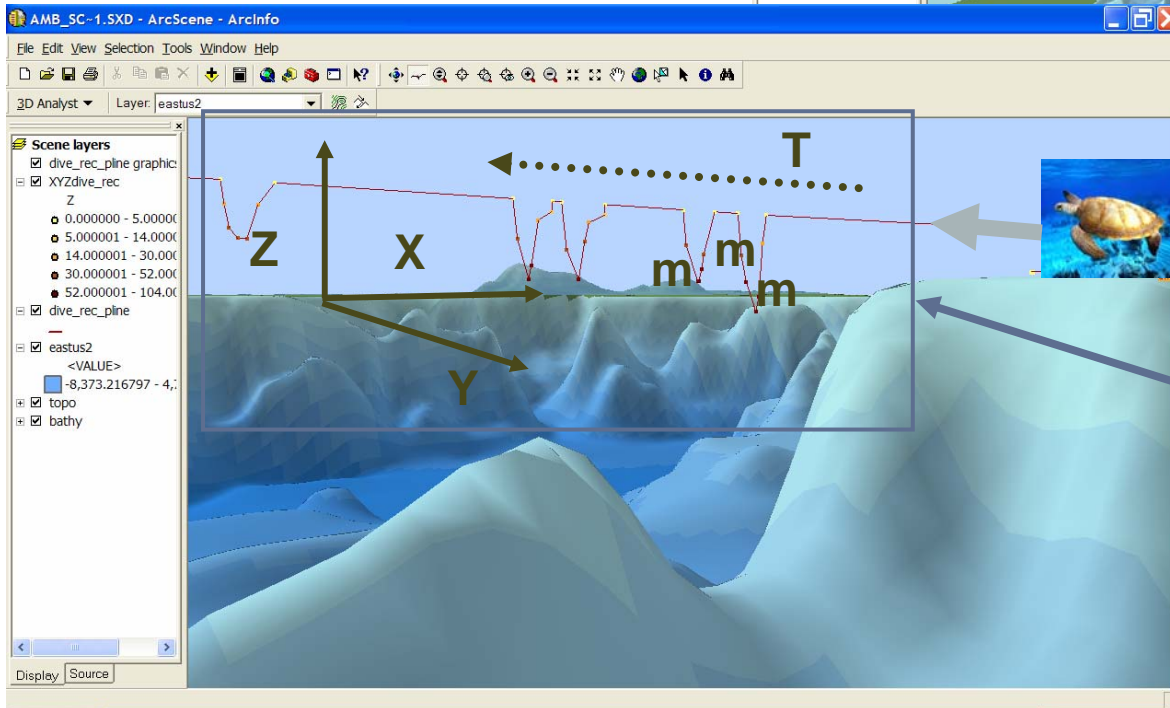
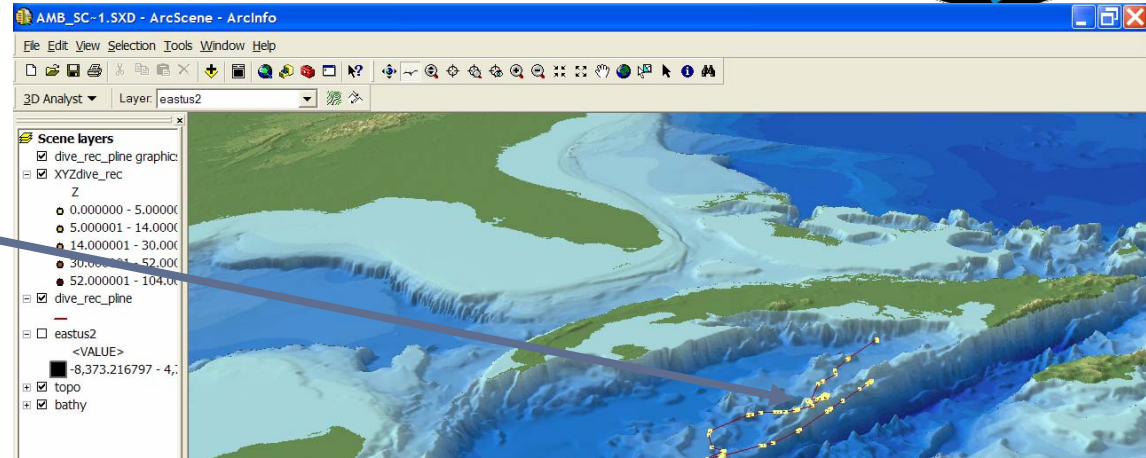
Spatio-Temporal Models



Animal Tracking (telemetry location series)



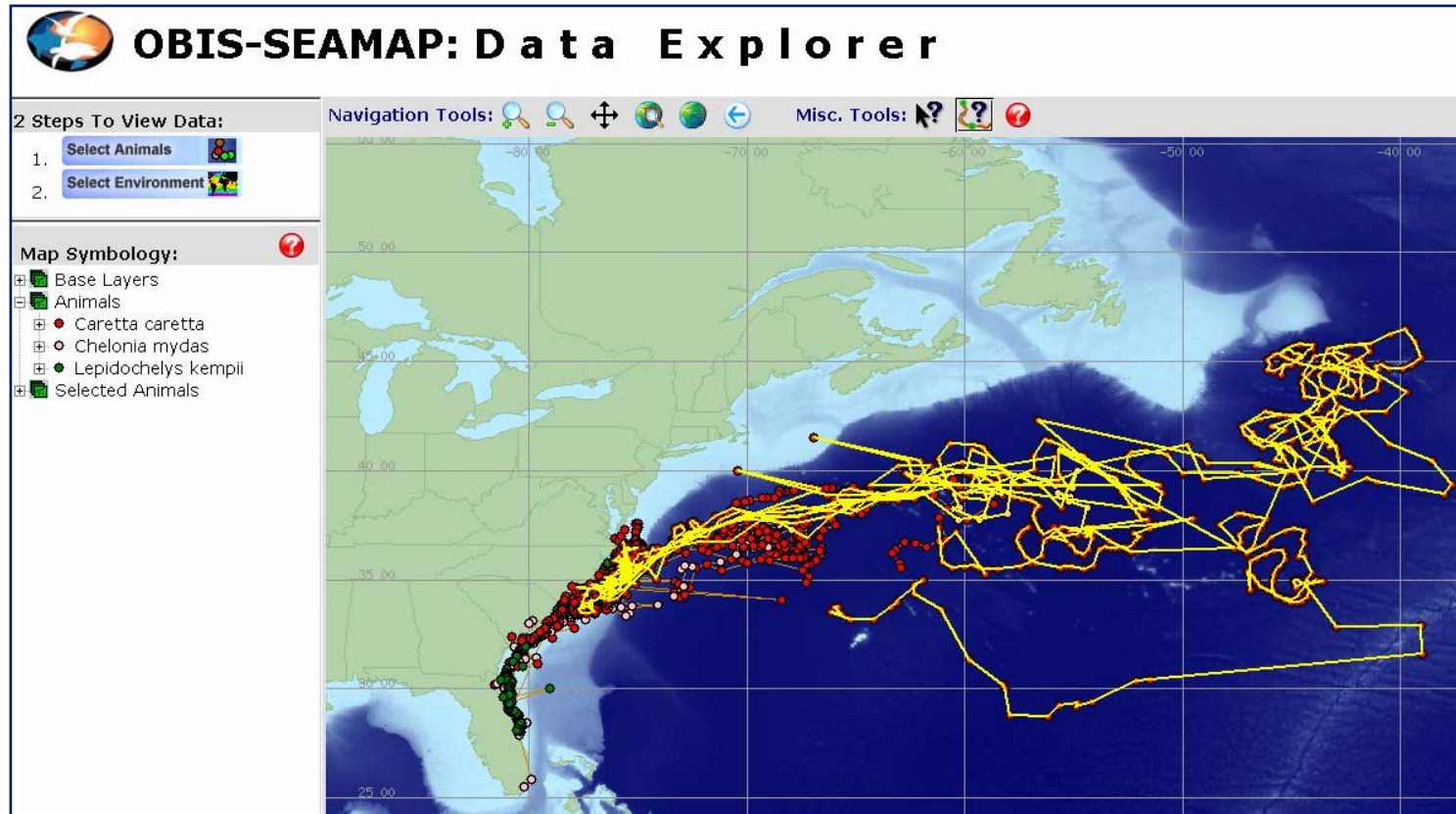
Turtles: Cayman Islands



Dive Profiles:
~4D Data (X,Y,Z,T m...m)

OBIS-SEAMAP

Dynamic marine habitat modeling



Data source: McClellan, C. & A. Read. 2004. *N. Atlantic Sea Turtle Tracking*, Duke University Marine Lab, Beaufort, NC, USA

Caretta caretta (Loggerhead sea turtle)

Names and Taxonomy
Physical Description / Field ID
Can be Confused With
Distribution
Map of OBIS-SEAMAP Data
Points
Ecology and Behavior
Feeding and Prey
Threats and Status
Links
References
Species Illustrations
Relevant OBIS-SEAMAP Datasets



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OBIS-SEAMAP Project Strategy



Attract Data Providers with **Tools**

mapping tools; analysis with other biological, physical and anthropogenic data layers; FGDC / ISO metadata creation; download / upload facility



Build Online **Archive**

searchable by: species, location, time, methodology, provider; results mapped, and cross-referenced to species profiles and dataset details



Substantiate with **Research**

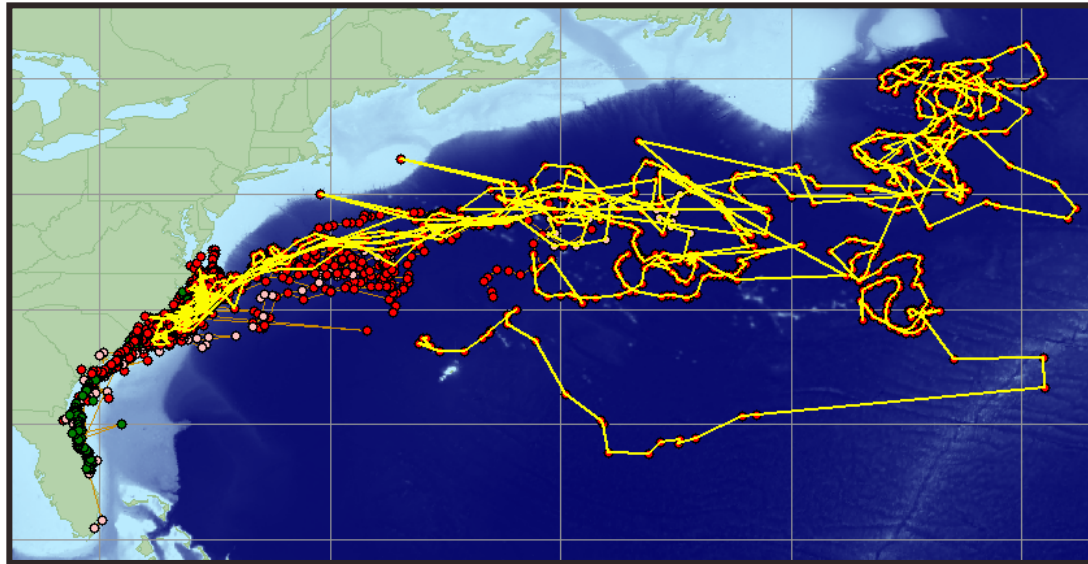
applied and fundamental research relating species distribution and abundance to ocean habitats, climate change, seasonal variability, and anthropogenic impacts



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mapping marine megavertebrates

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