

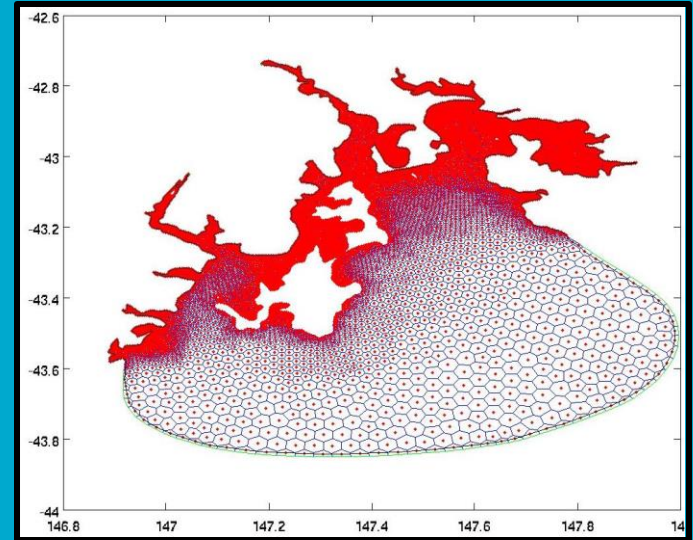


# A Vortex-Force Formalization Implementation for Representing Wave Effects on Currents

COMPAS -SWAN unstructured  
coupled modelling suite

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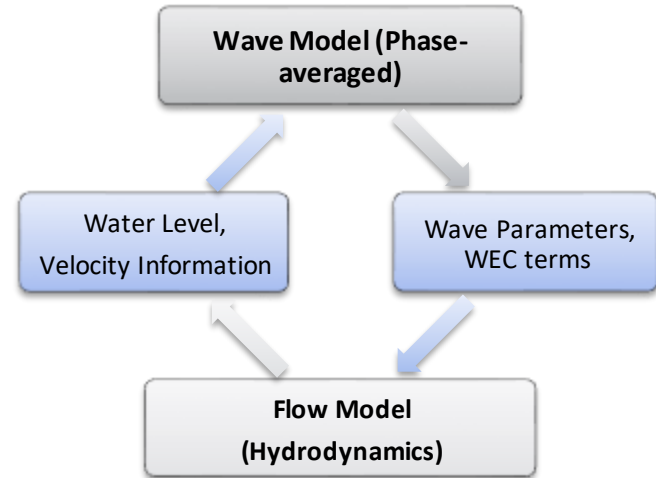


# Wave-Flow Coupling –Nearshore Application

“Surface waves affect the upper-ocean circulation, air–sea fluxes, and cross-shelf exchange due to both conservative and non-conservative effects.” (Romero et al., 2020)

## ***WEC terms can impact;***

- ❖ Addition of waves can impact elevation level
- ❖ Influence hydro-sedimentary dynamics in the coastal zone
- ❖ Contribute to storm surge, extreme water levels
- ❖ Wave impacts on currents & currents influence on waves





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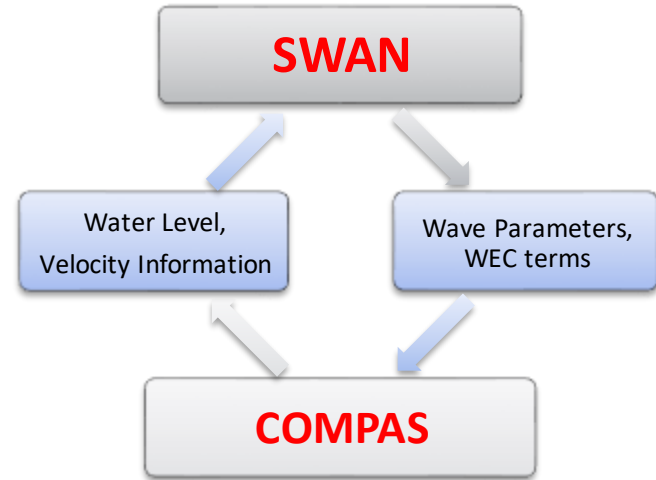
The coupling of these wave-current interactions is achieved by averaging the rapidly oscillating surface waves over long time-scales to deliver what is known as the Wave Effect on Currents (WEC).

## *Nearshore application with unstructured grid;*

- ❖ Increased CFL conditions
- ❖ Spurious increases
- ❖ Non-conservative wave processes

## COMPAS- SWAN Coupling

Evaluate and develop next-generation numerical modelling techniques and tools for incorporation, with the aim of improved prediction of littoral dynamics at a greater range of spatial scales



# The models: COMPAS & SWAN

- ❖ **COMPAS (Coastal Ocean Marine Prediction Across Scales)** - 3D finite volume unstructured hydrodynamic model in CSIRO's Environmental Modelling System (EMS). (Herzfeld,2006; Herzfeld et al.,2020)
  - Used at scales ranging from estuaries to regional ocean domains
  - COMPAS uses an orthogonal centroidal Voronoi tessellation on arbitrary polygons. The triangle created from joining cell centres surrounding a given vertex is the Delaunay dual is a Voronoi diagrams are the dual of a Delaunay triangulation
  - Operates on Arakawa C-grid, whereby normal velocity components are staggered at the edges of Voronoi cells, with fluid height and tracer variables located at cell centres (Herzfeld et.al., 2020)
- **Advantages of hexagonal mesh:**
  - spurious modes associated with triangular C-grid meshes are absent in these hexagonal cases.
  - works well with finite-volume models
- ❖ **SWAN (Simulating Waves Nearshore)** (Booij et al., 1999; Zijlema et al., 2010) 3<sup>rd</sup> gen phase averaged wave model

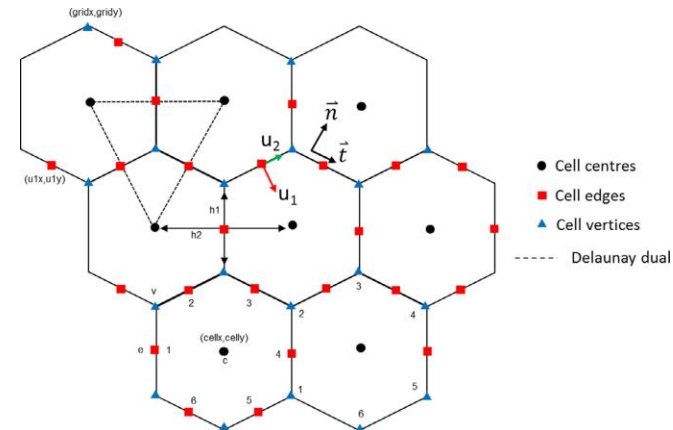
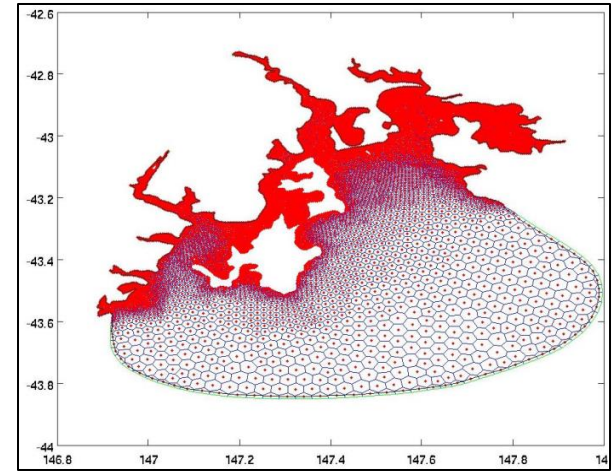


Figure: Herzfeld et.al., 2020

# Mesh Generation

- JIGSAW (Engwirda, 2017) designed for TRiSK FV scheme Delaunay triangulation - Centroidal Voronoi Tessellation
- The horizontal mesh must be an orthogonal, centroidal and well-centred 'primal-dual' tessellation, typically consisting of collections of Voronoi cells and their dual Delaunay triangles.

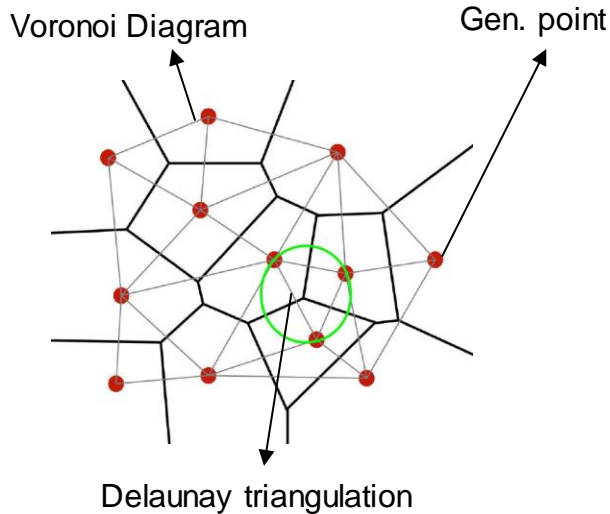
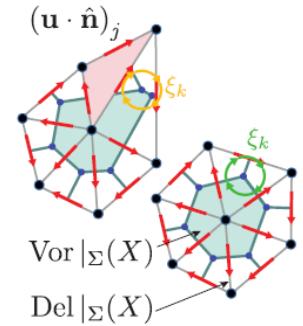


Figure: Herzfeld, 2018

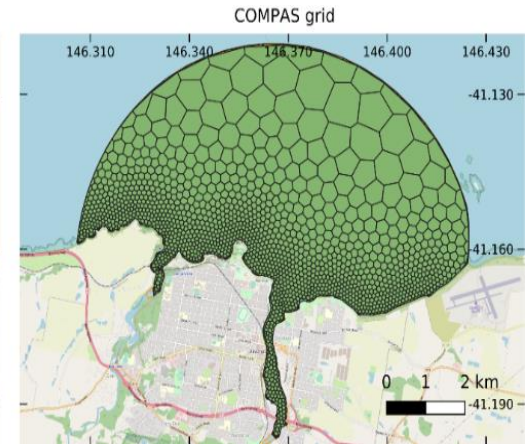
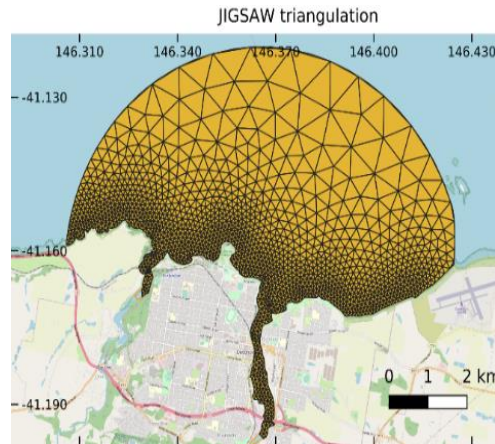
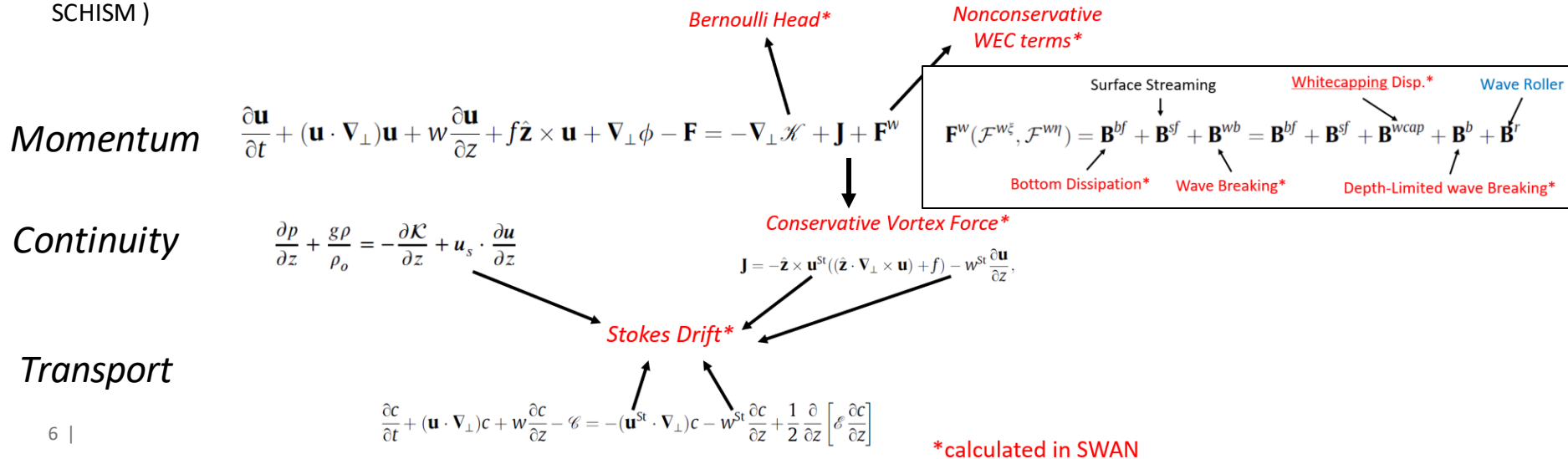


Figure: Farhan Rizwi



# Vortex- Force Formalization and Why?

- Eulerian Framework (Quasi- Eulerian)
- Vortex-force representation decomposes the main wave-averaged effects into physically understandable concepts of vortex force, Bernoulli head, and nonconservative processes
  - explicit inclusion of different type of wave-current interaction
  - incorporate impacts of depth-limited wave dissipation terms (e.g. wave breaking), higher order nonlinear wave impacts.
  - Vertical components of the 3d Radiation stress tensors wave radiation stress change very fast with depth
- Uchiyama et al., (2010) and Kumar et al., (2012) extended McWilliams et al. (2004) to consider non-conservative conditions by adding breaking waves, roller waves, bottom and surface streaming and wave-enhanced mixing through empirical formulas. (ROMS, COAWST, SCHISM)





# COMPAS-SWAN Coupling Technical

- No model coupler
- Compile SWAN as a library object to which COMPAS can link using C interoperability protocols
- During initialisation within SWAN, pointers to variables within this data structure are set up.
- COMPAS initialises and manages memory for wave variables
- SWAN updates information for those variables by writing directly to the memory addressed rather than transferring the actual data

Variable	Description	Method
COMPAS STE	Stokes Drift	Romero et al. (2021)
COMPAS K	Effective Wavenumber	Romero et al. (2021)
COMPAS KB	Bernoulli Head (Wave-Induced Pressure)	WW3, Bennis et al. (2011)
COMPAS FWCAP	Whitcapping	SWAN + Uchiyama et al. (2010)
COMPAS FBRE	Depth-induced wave breaking	SWAN + Uchiyama et al. (2010)
COMPAS FBOT	Bottom Friction Dissipation	SWAN + Uchiyama et al. (2010)
COMPAS FSUR	Surface Streaming	SWAN + Kumar et al. (2012)
COMPAS FROL	Surface Roller Dissipation	Svendsen(1984) + Kumar et al. (2012)



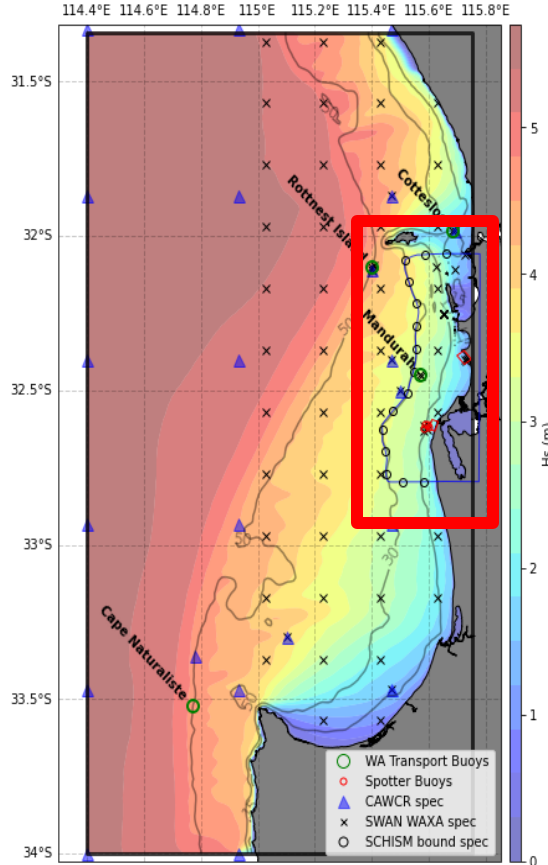
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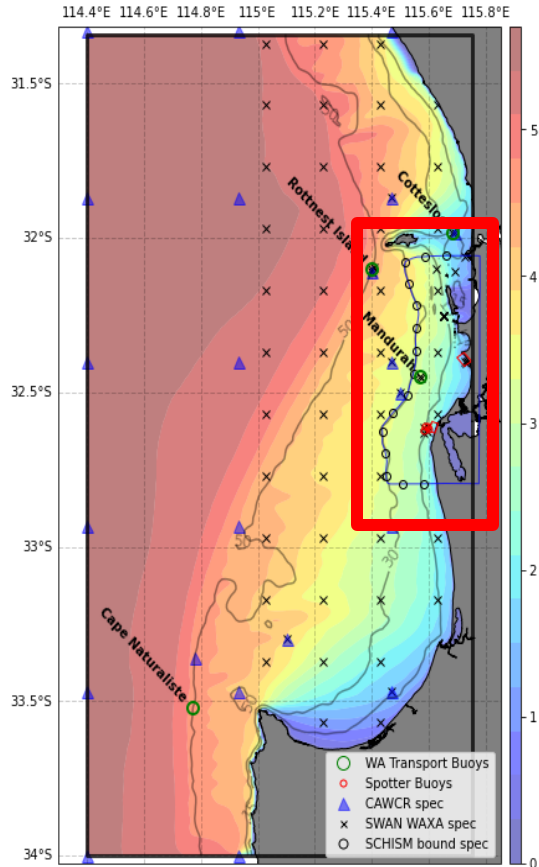
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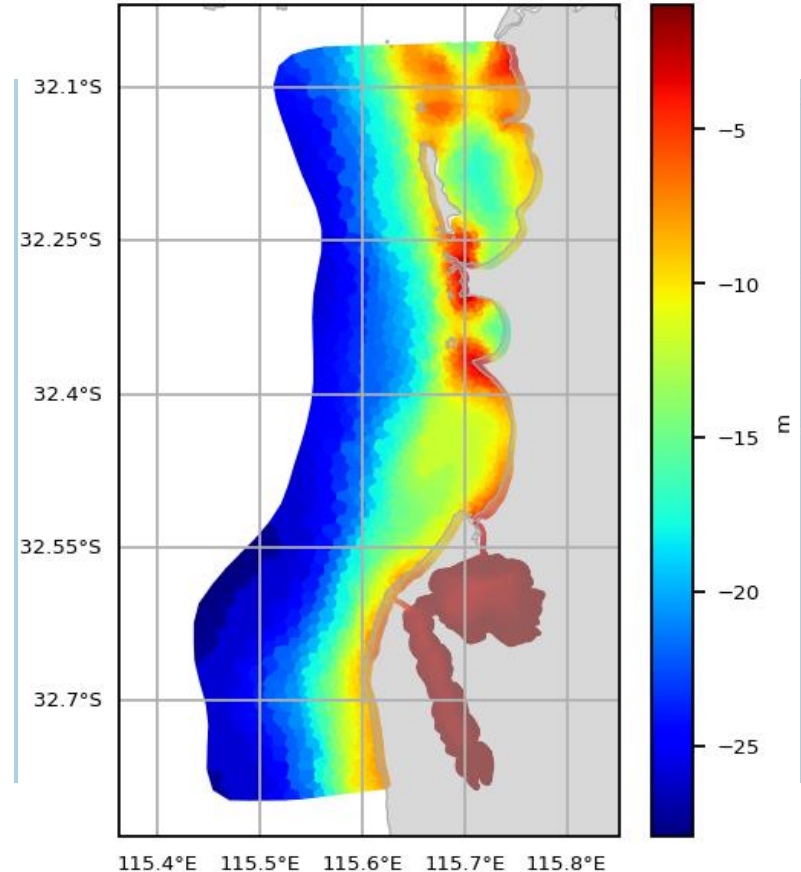
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Bathymetry



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- 3000 m at the open boundary
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## Forcing Fields

### – Winds

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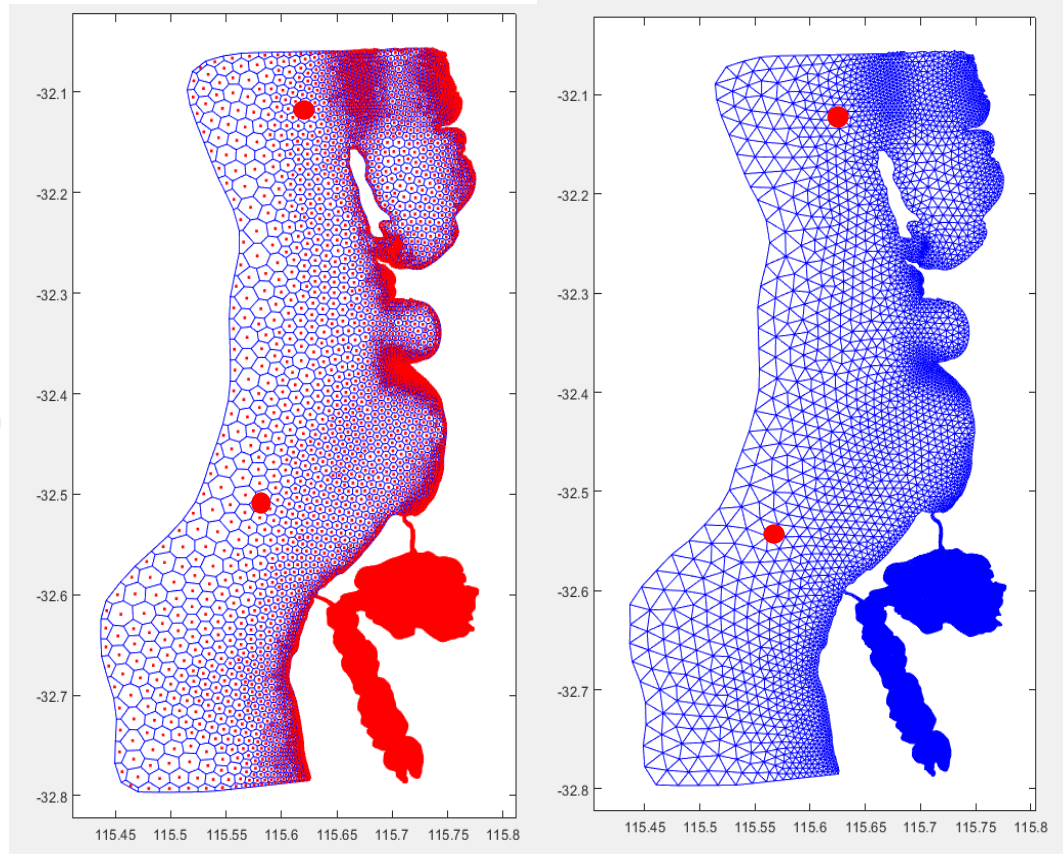
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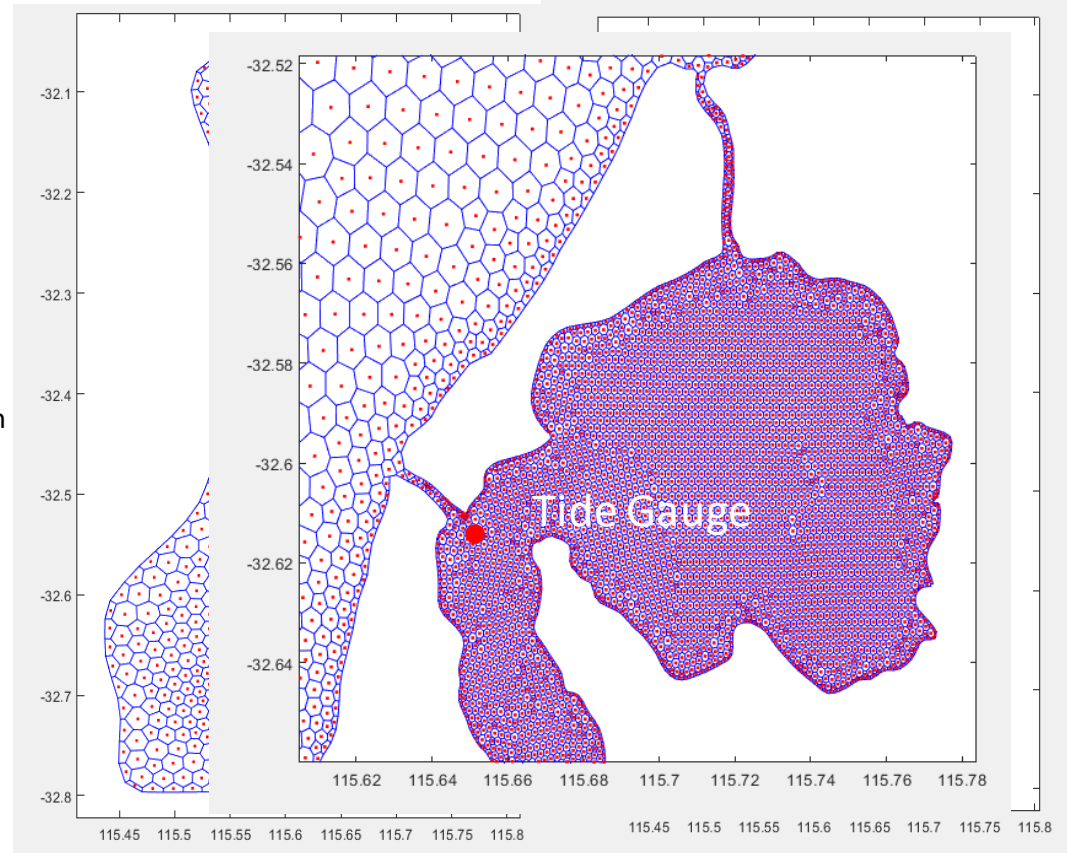
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- Surface Elevation ( $\eta$ )

Hs

Hydro only

Hydro + Waves

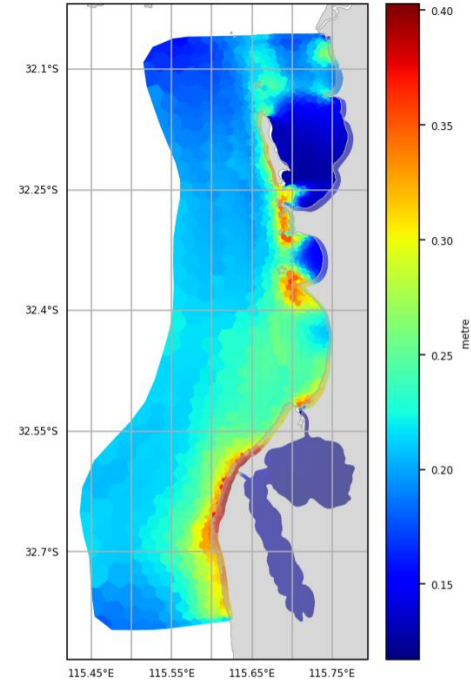
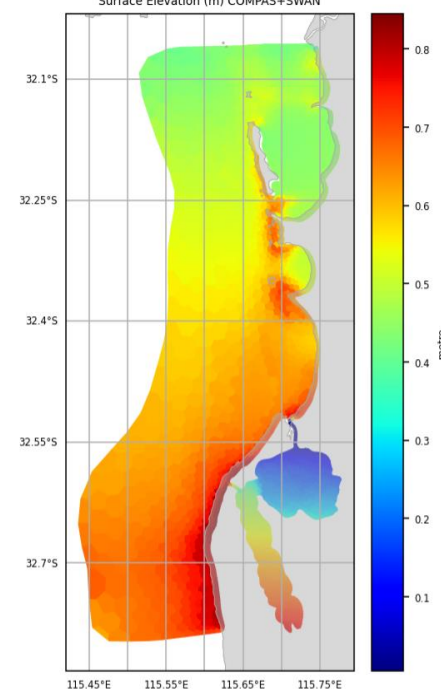
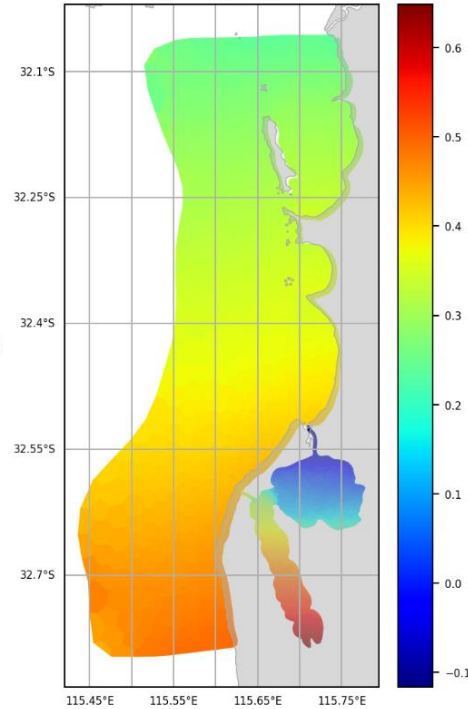
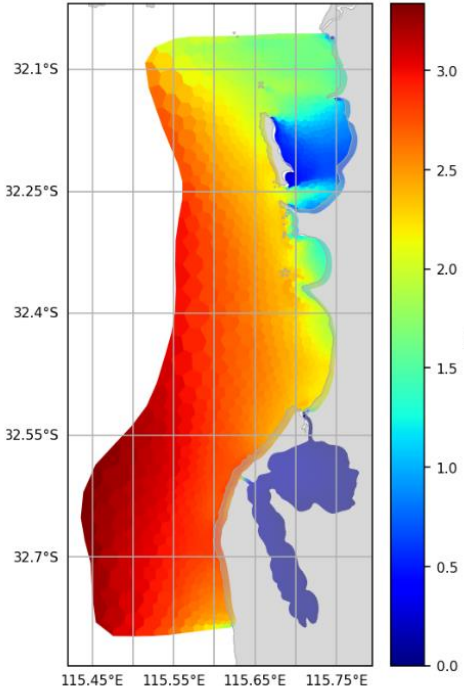
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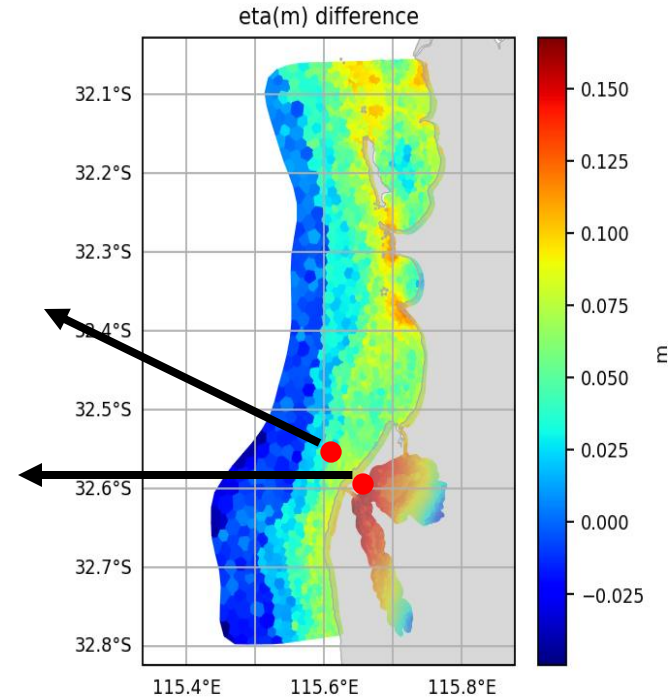
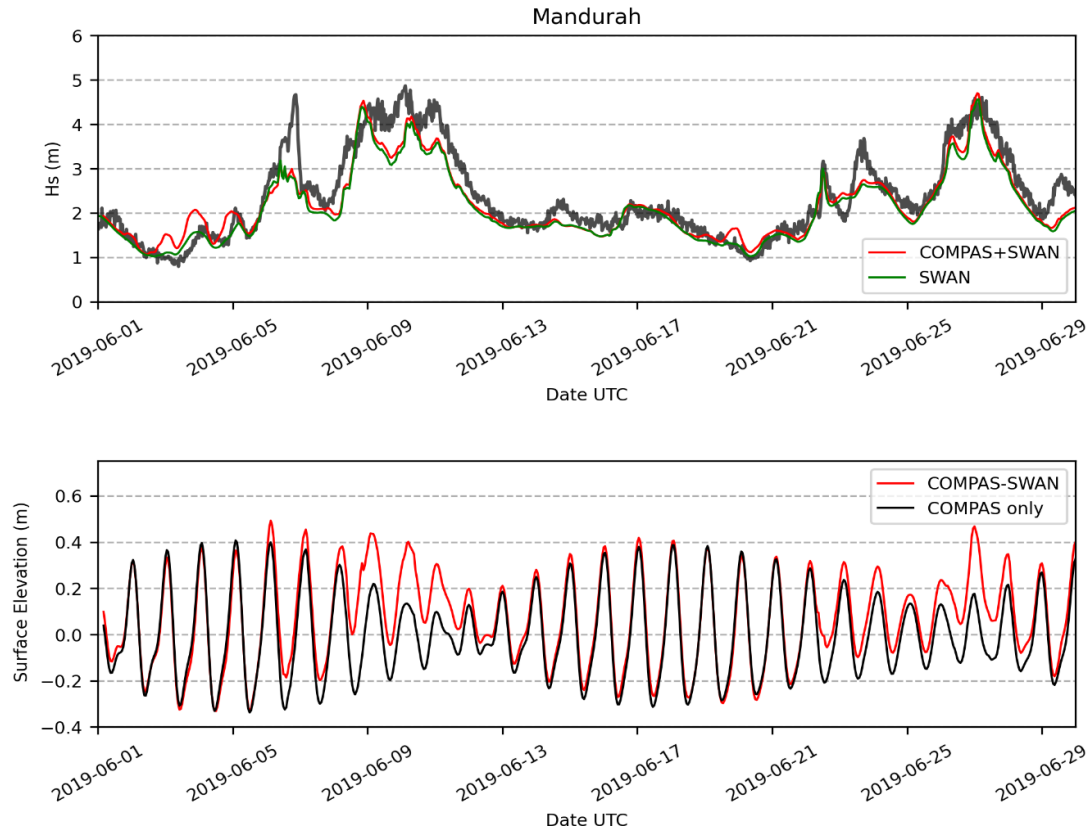
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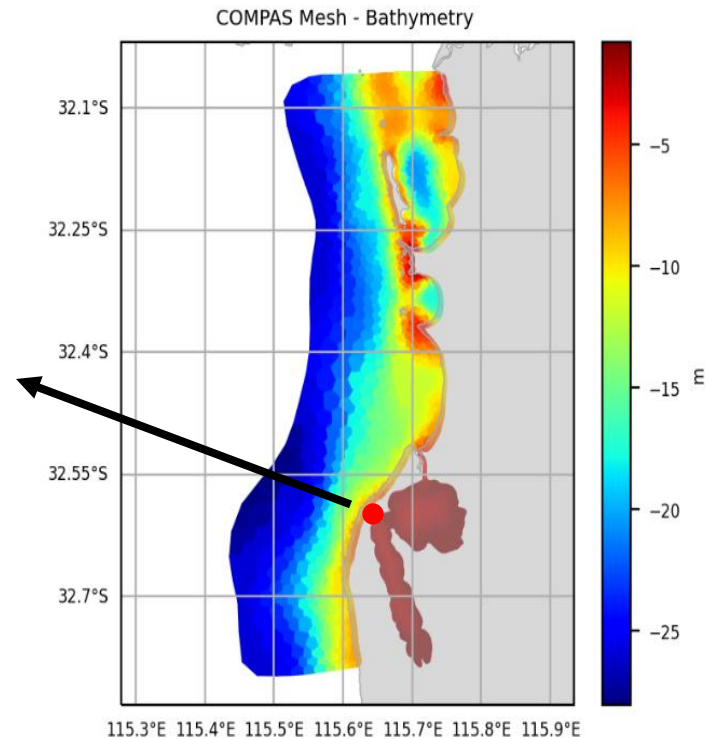
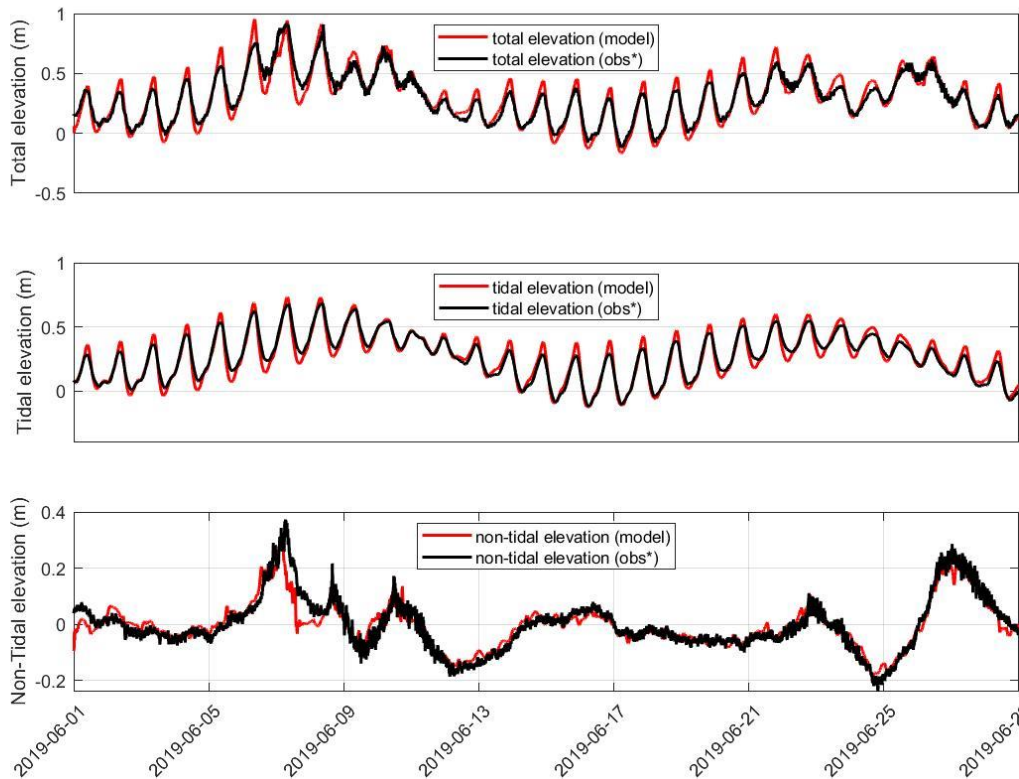


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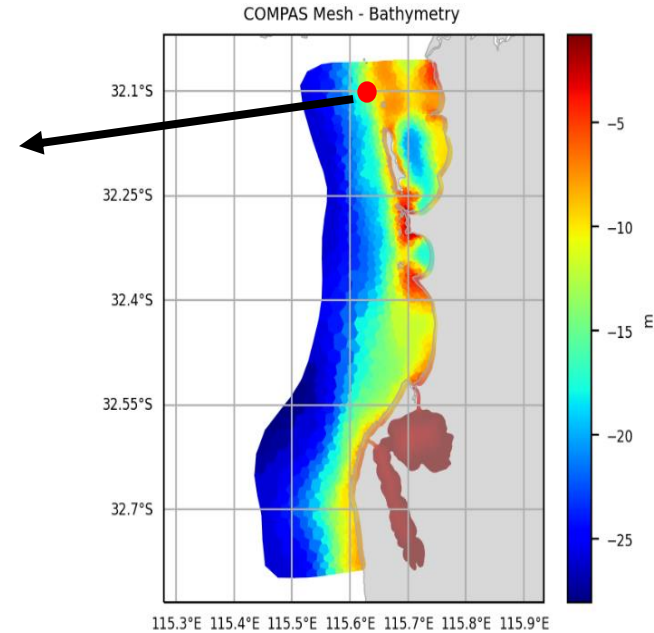
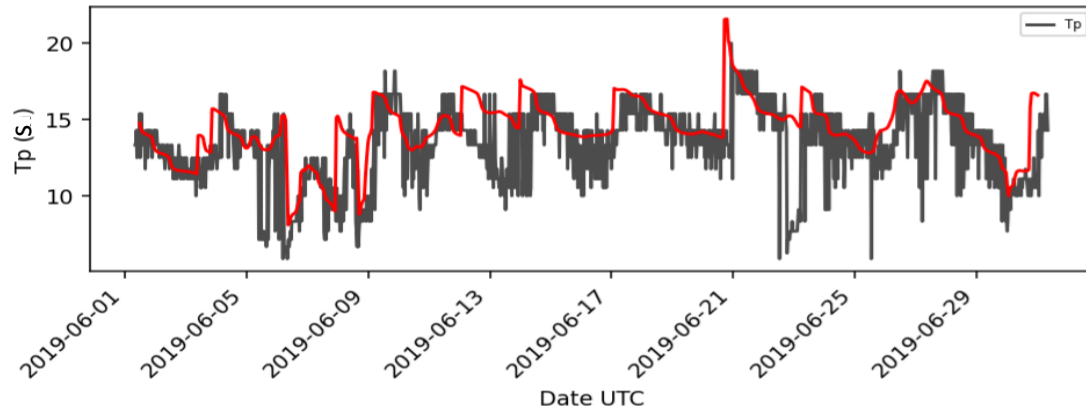
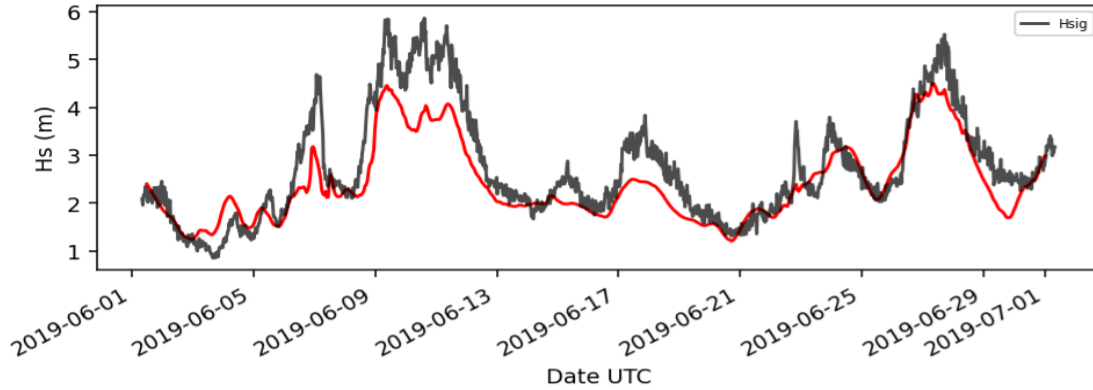


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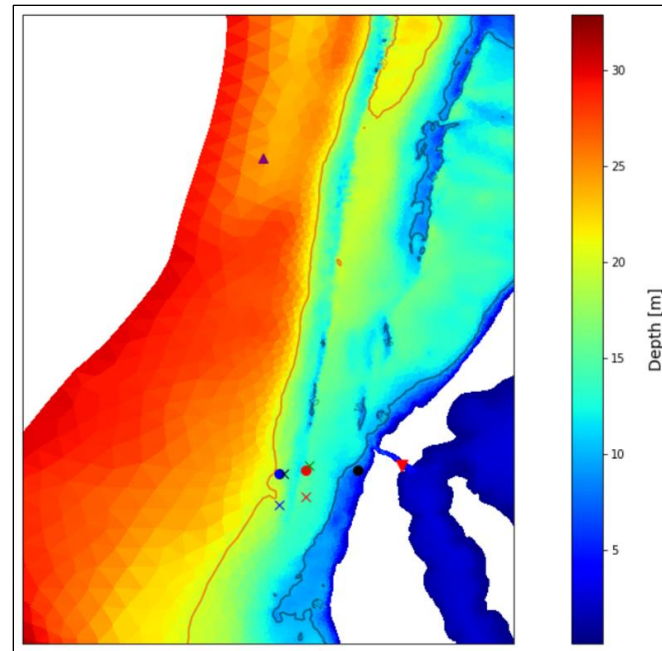
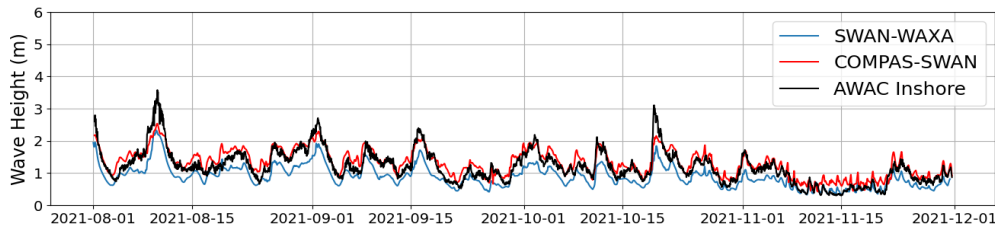
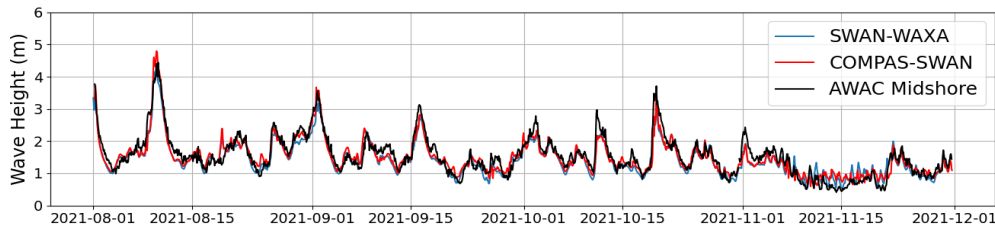
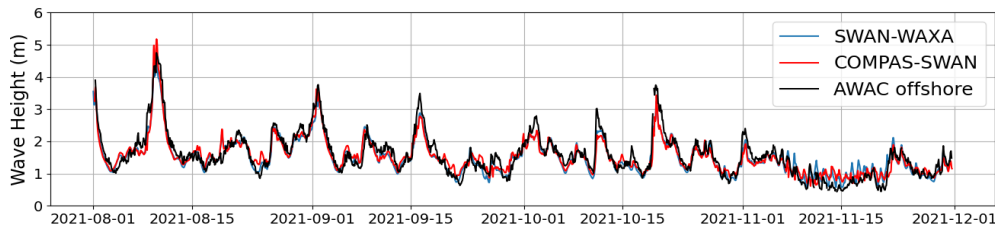
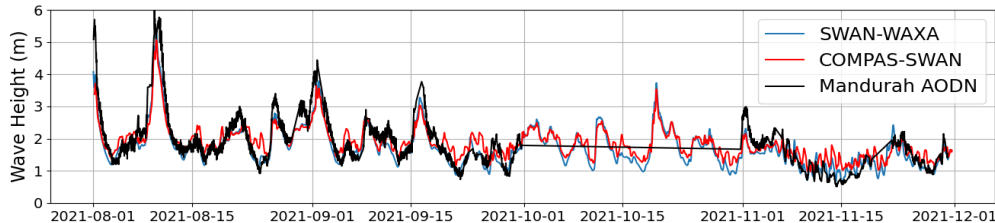


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## Rottnest Island



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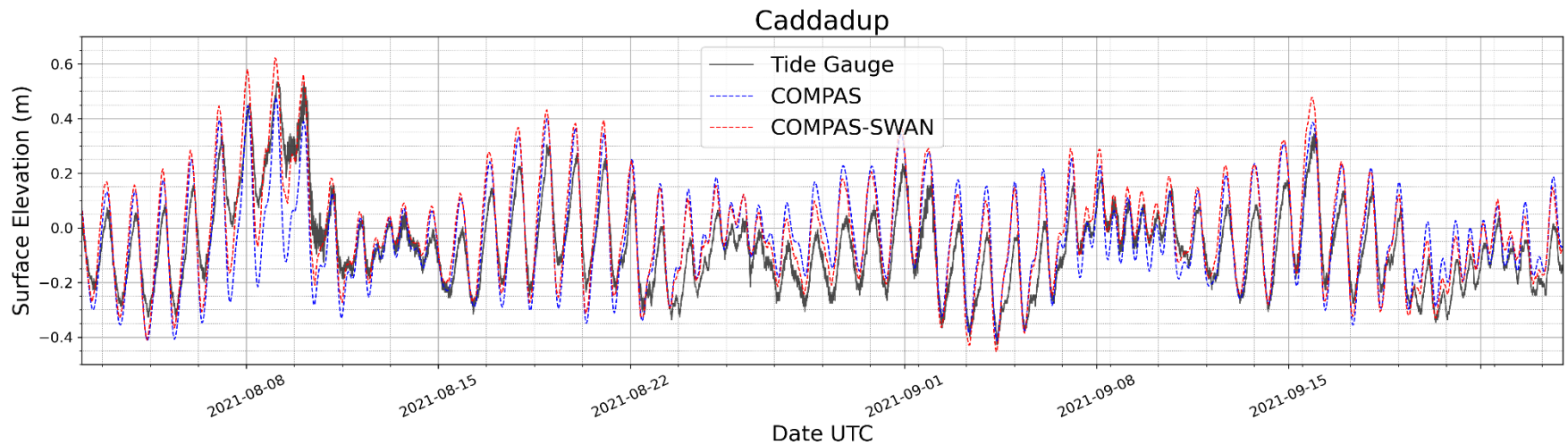
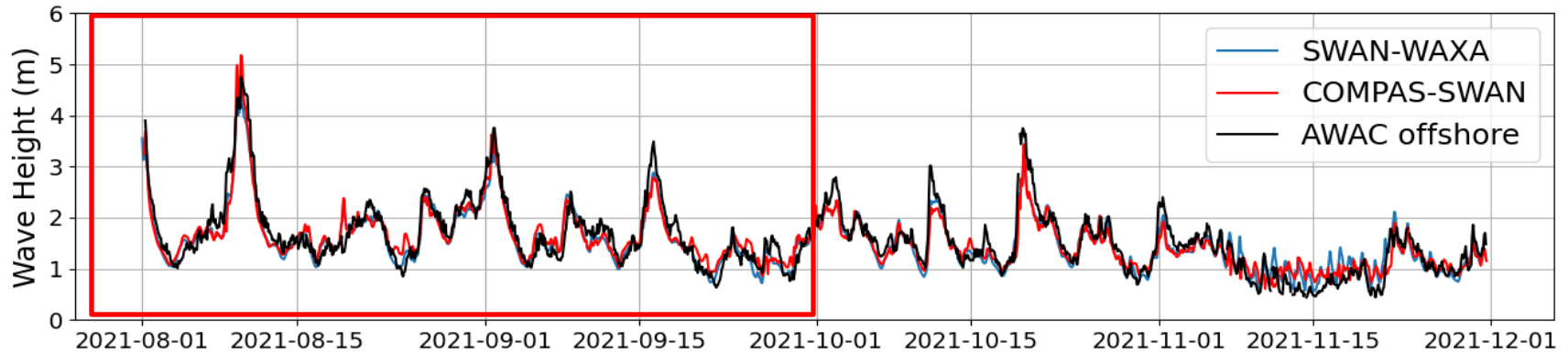


- #AWAC\_5232 inshore
- #AWAC\_6777 midshore
- #AWAC\_6779 offshore
- × #SPOT\_1002
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- ▼ #Caddadup tide gauge
- ▲ #Mandurah wave buoy

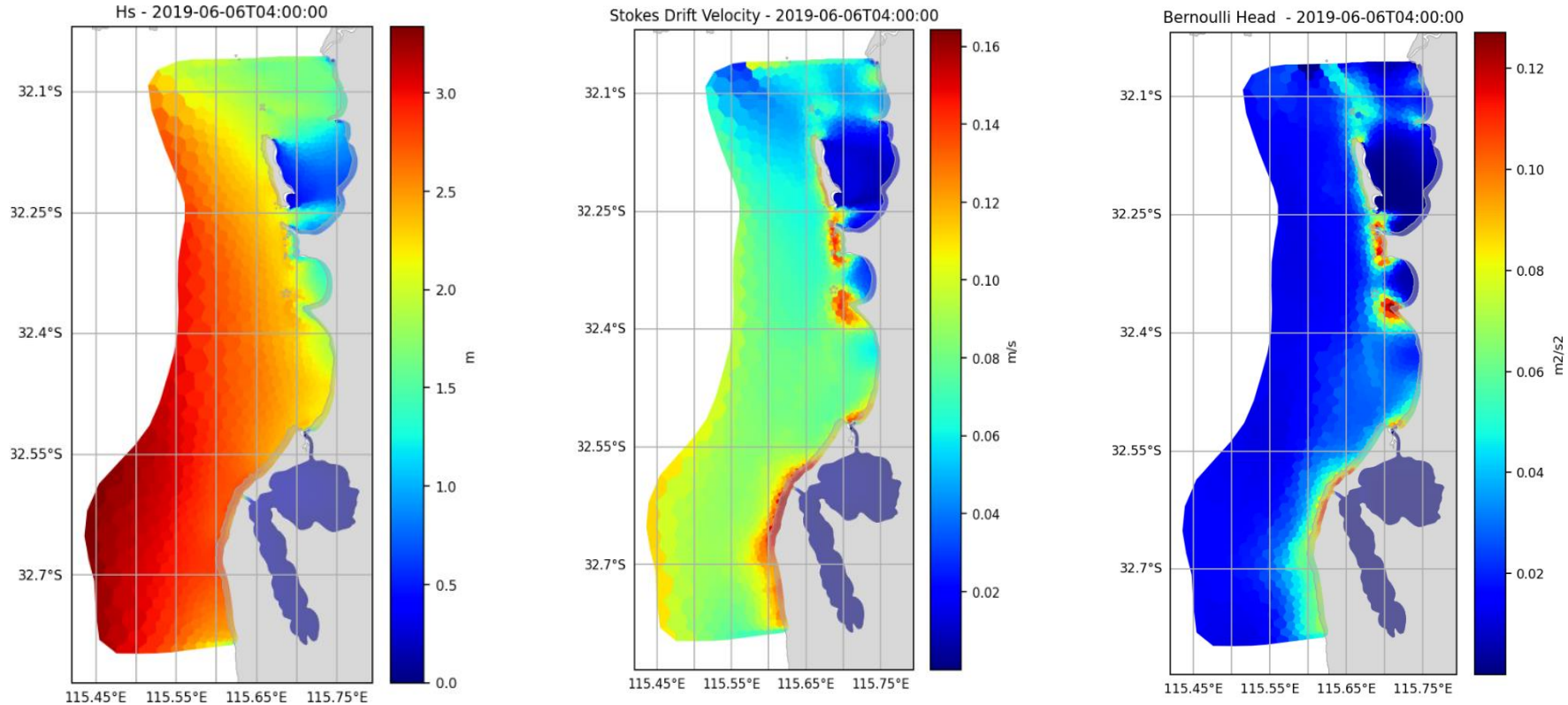




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- Stoke Drift and Bernoulli Head

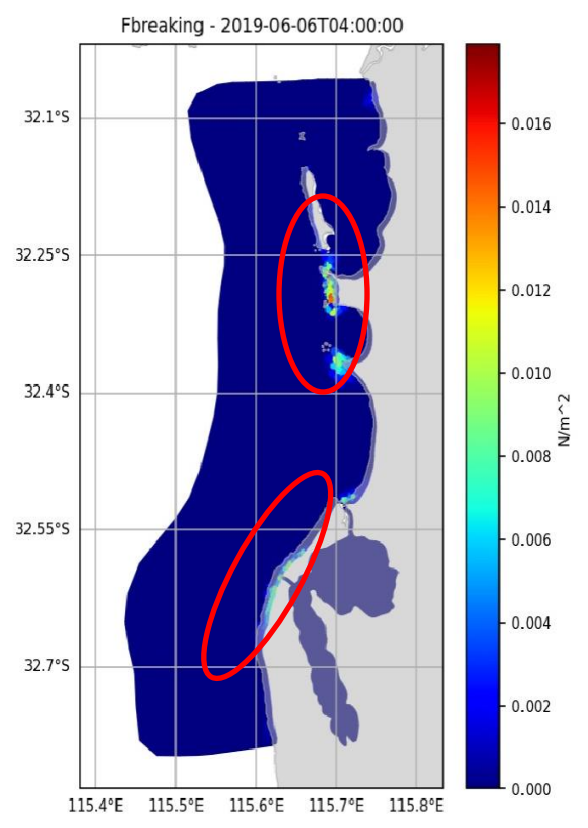
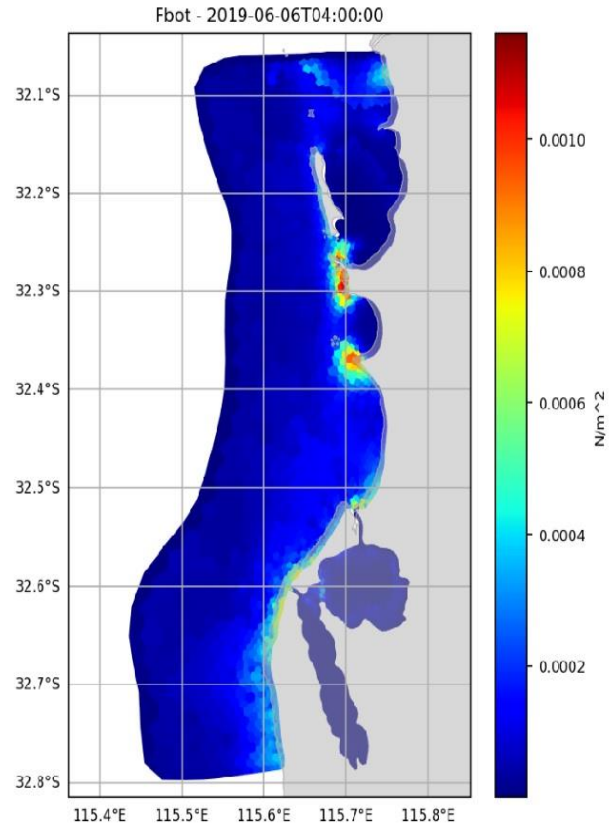
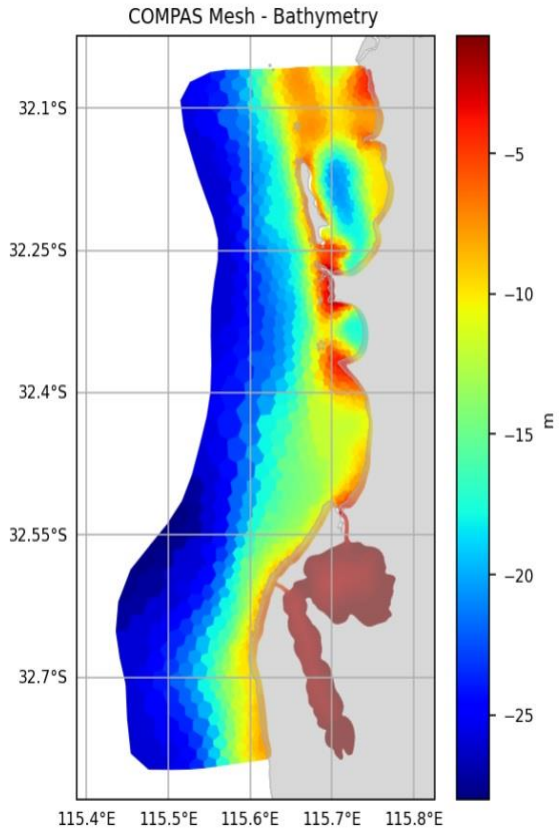




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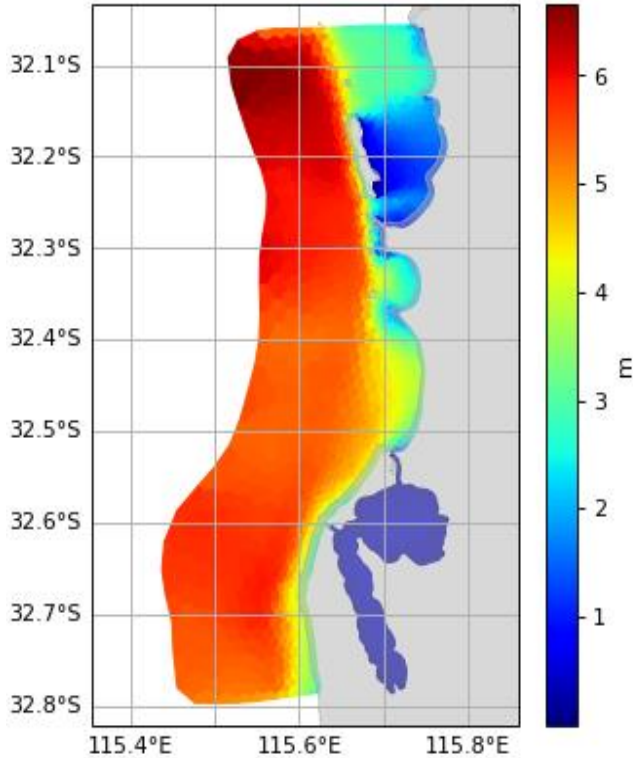
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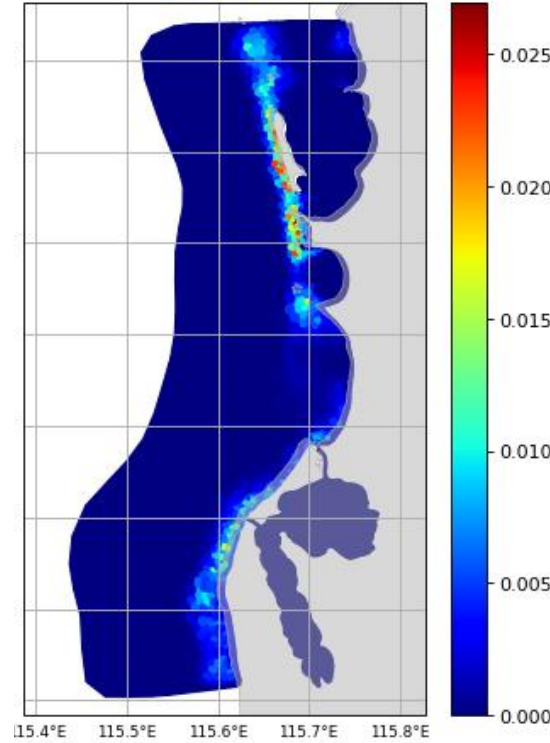


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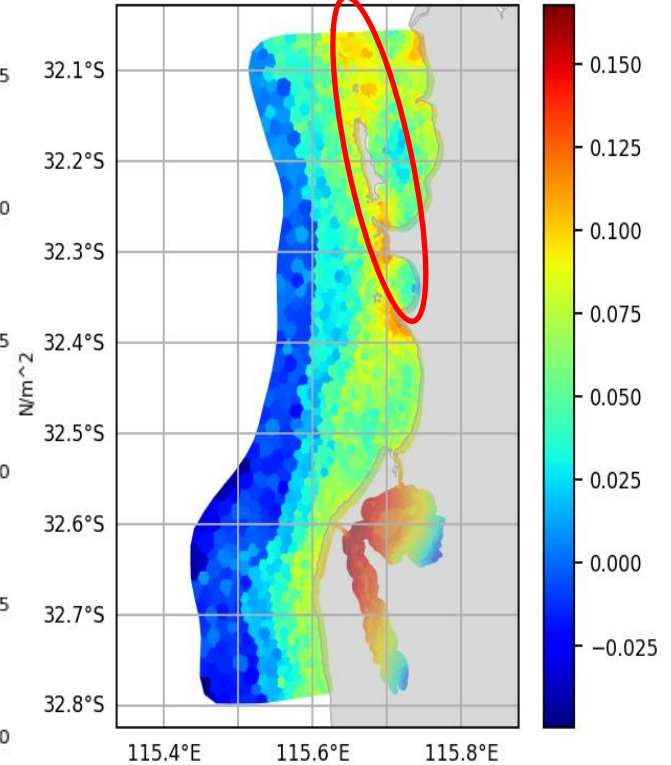
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F<sub>breaking</sub>



eta(m) difference

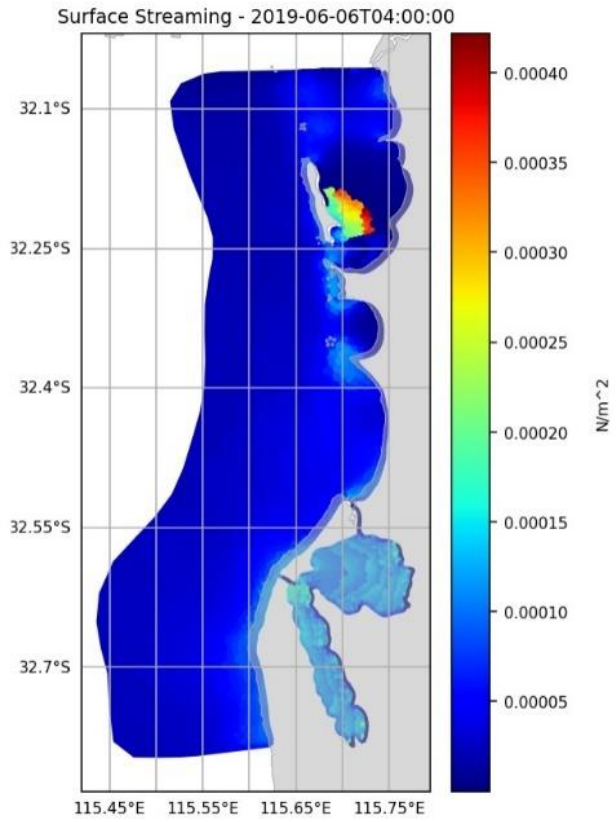
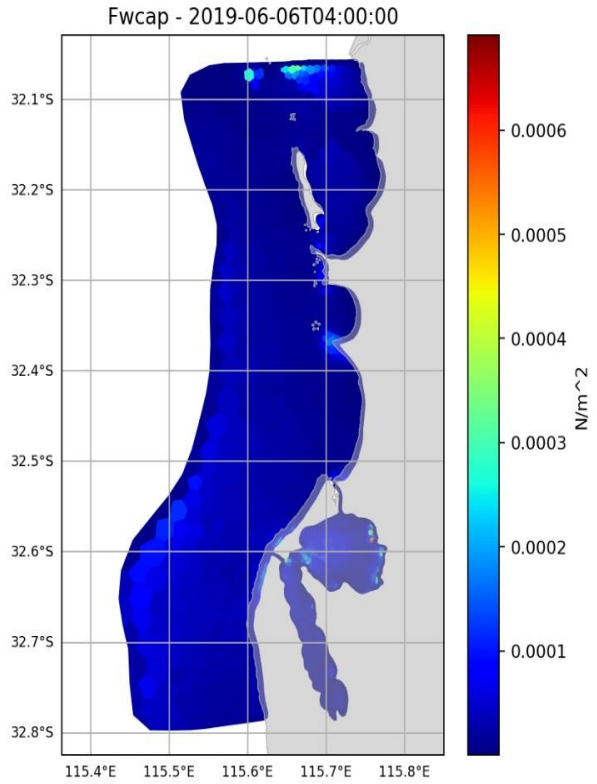
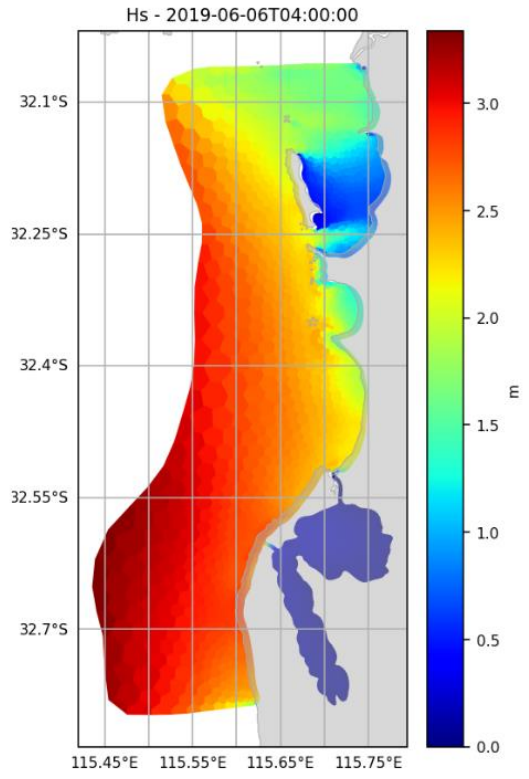




# Non-conservative WEC Terms

## Whitecapping

## Surface Streaming







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# Wave Roller Dissipation

- Wave rollers act as storage of dissipated wave energy, which is gradually transferred to the mean flow causing a lag in the transfer of momentum

- Depth – Induced Wave Breaking 
$$\mathbf{B}^b = \frac{(1 - \alpha^r) \epsilon^b}{\rho_0 \sigma} \mathbf{k} \cdot f^b(z)$$

- Wave Roller Contribution 
$$\mathbf{B}^r = \frac{\epsilon^r}{\rho_0 \sigma} \mathbf{k} \cdot f^b(z) \quad \epsilon^r = \frac{g \cdot \sin \beta \cdot E^r}{c}$$

- Wave Roller Model of Svendsen (1984) → applied

- Using Roller Energy Density (Reniers, 2004 ) → application in progress 
$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{A}^r}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathcal{A}^r \mathbf{c}) = \frac{\alpha_r \epsilon^b - \epsilon^r}{\sigma}$$

