

SWIM ocean waves spectra

Illustration of performances



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Outline

1. Introduction
2. Diagnostics
3. Results (overall and case studies)

Introduction

Identify issues in data provision

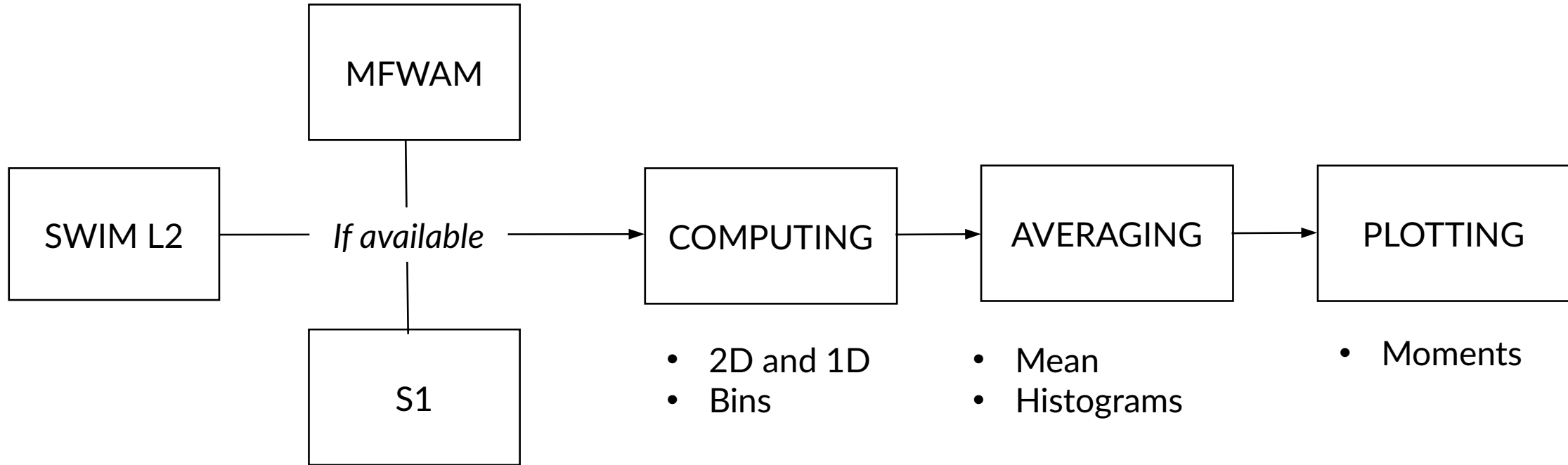
Qualify L2 processing

Promote SWIM data

based on simple statistics over wave spectra (averages, bins, etc ...)

- Develop a generic tool (not problem specific)
 - Ingesting large amounts of L2 spectra
 - Choose relevant diagnostics

Diagnostics - overview (current state)



Diagnostics - computing

SWIM L2

Slopes spectra
6, 8, 10° and combined
posneg =0,1 distinguished
+partitions

Colocated spectra

MFWAM model
Sentinel 1 SAR
when available
(<1.5 hours, <100 km)

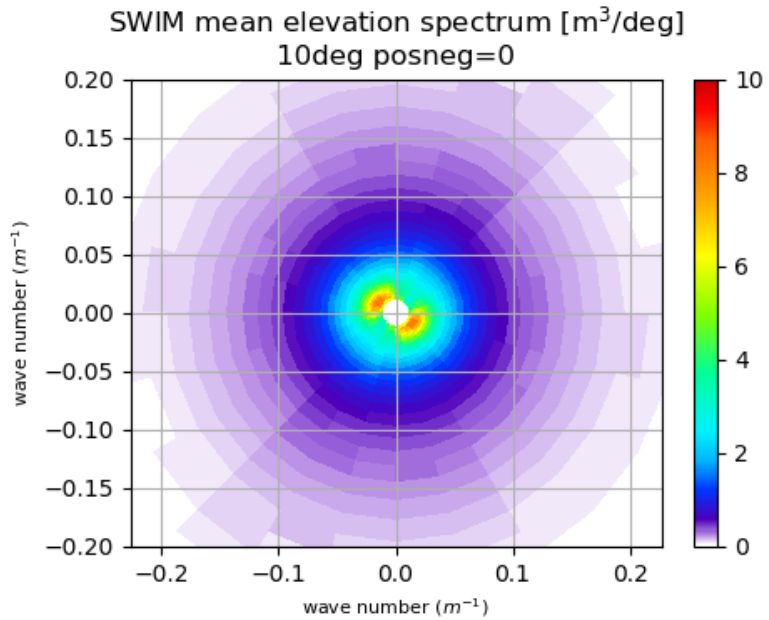
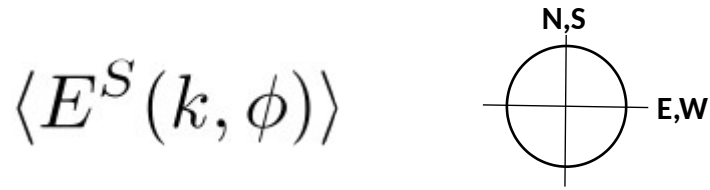
Symmetric elevation spectrum

$$E^S(k, \phi) = E(k, \phi) + E(k, \phi + \pi)$$

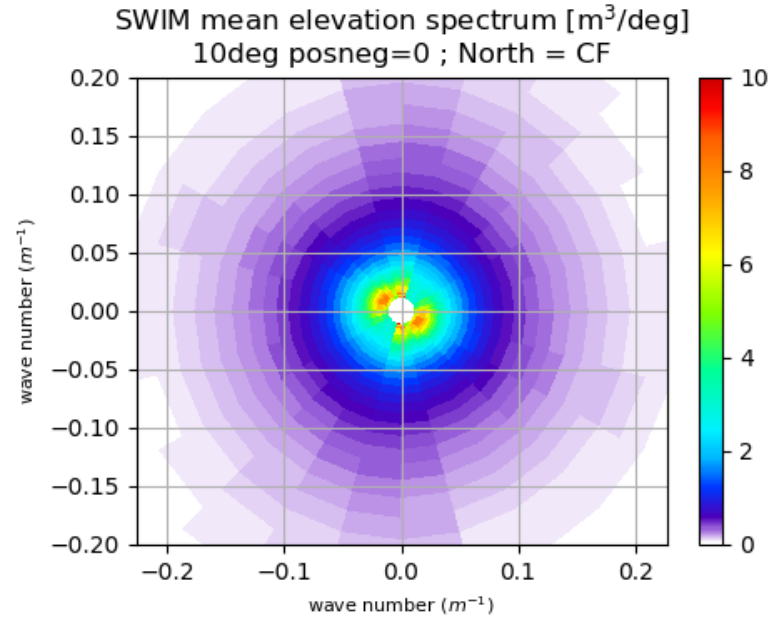
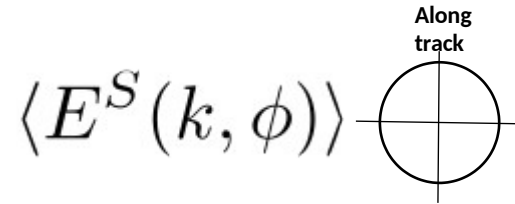
+ Flagging
+ H_s , U_{10} from ECMWF

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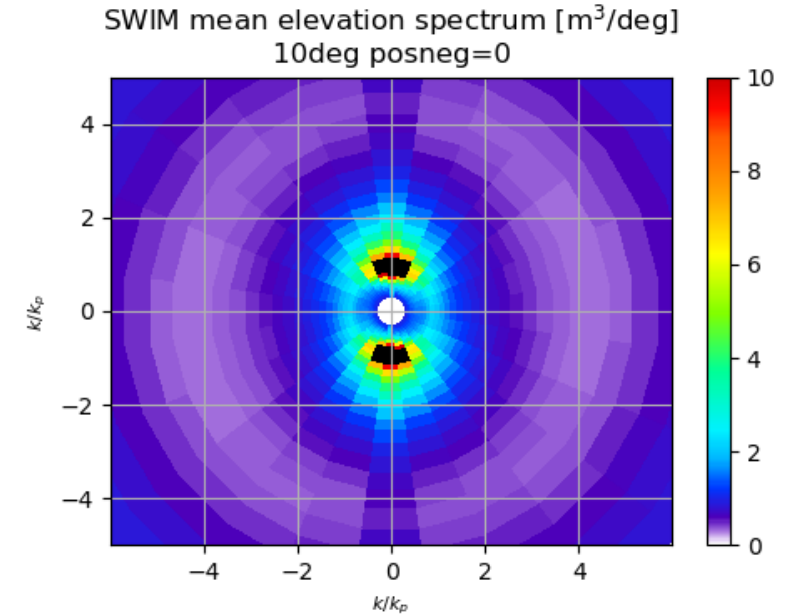
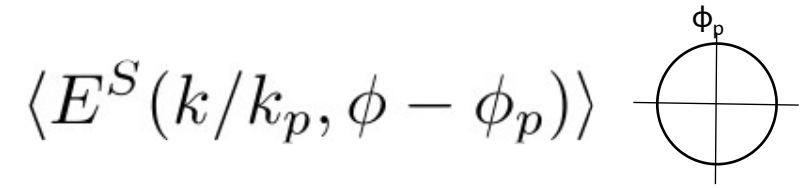
Diagnostics - averaging



Raw data



Cone Fatal

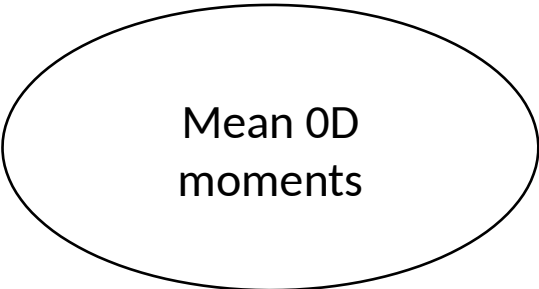
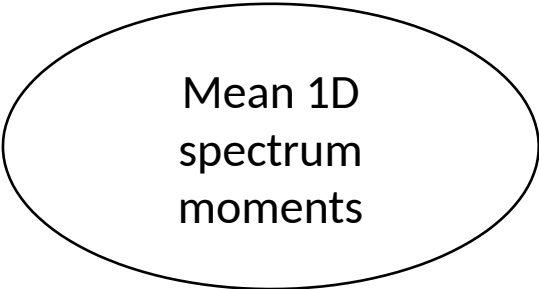
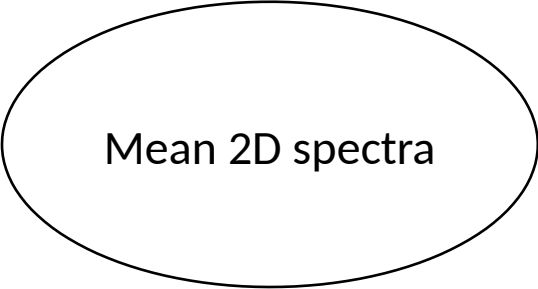


Geophysical signal

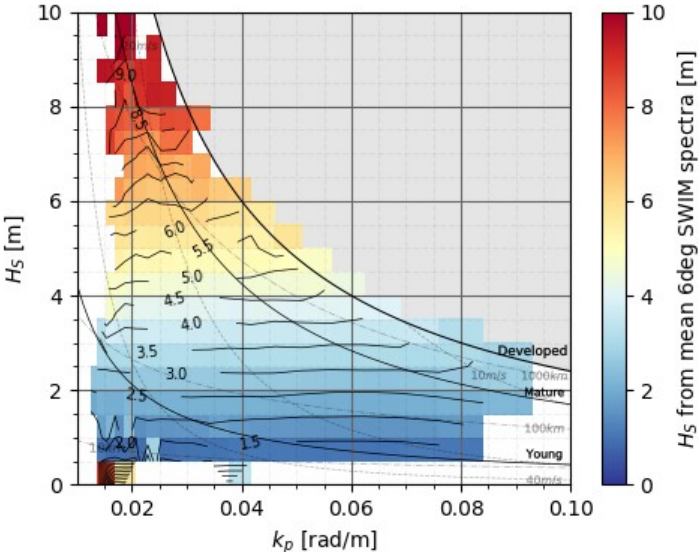
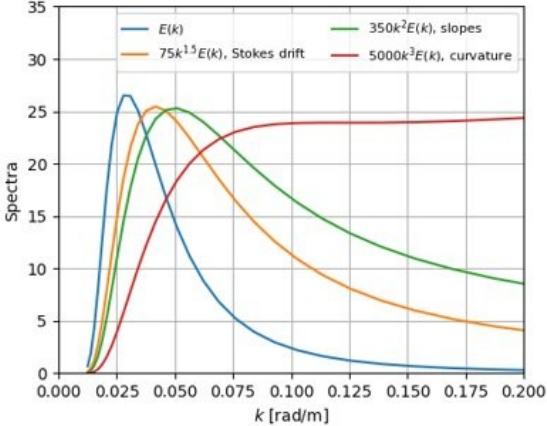
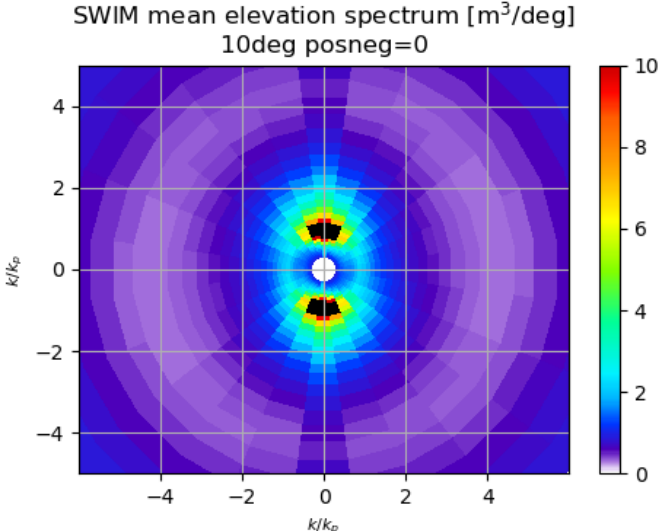
+ detailed by sea-state

Diagnostics - plotting

Dimensionality



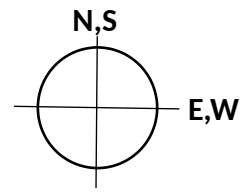
Ease of display & interpretation



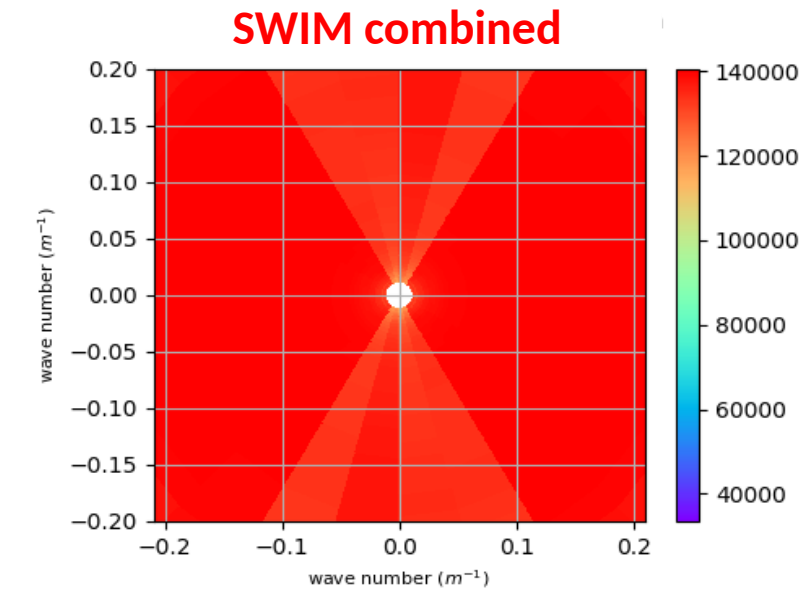
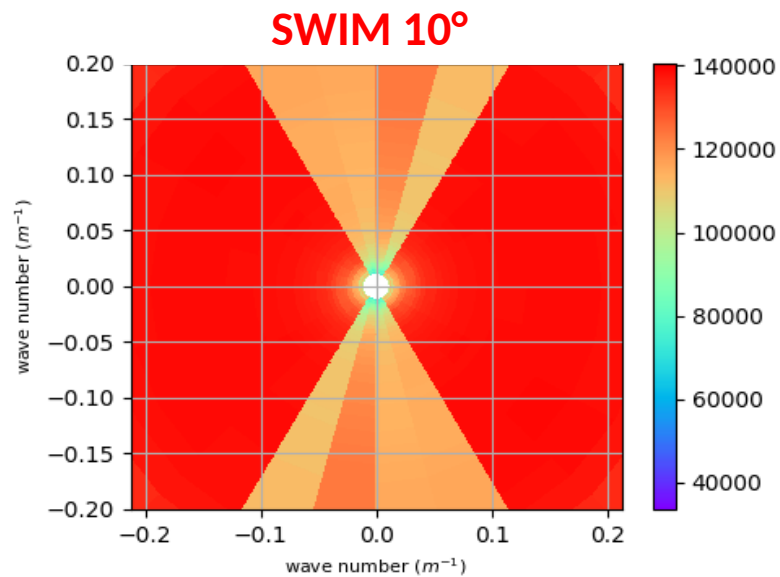
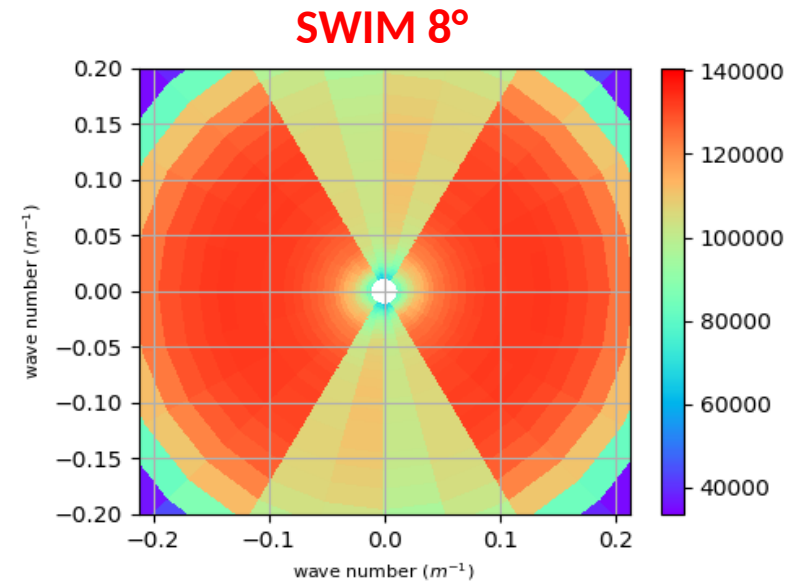
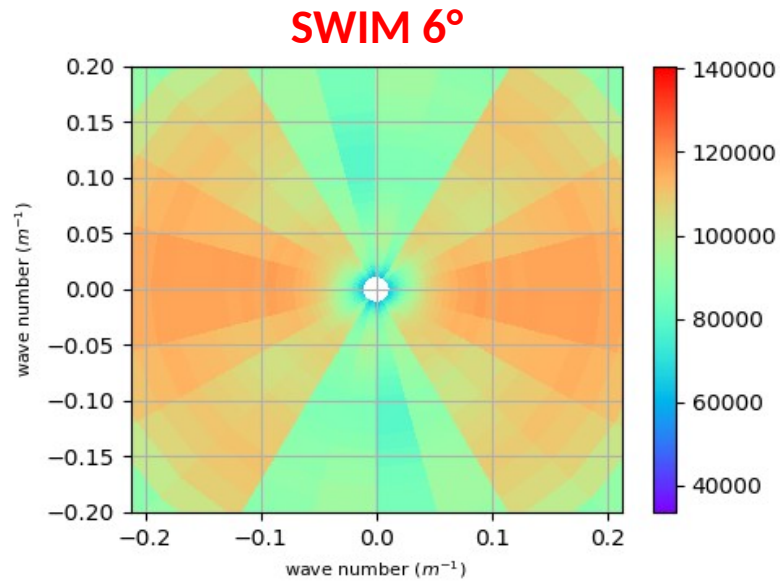
Overall performances

Worldwide data from 01/01/2021 to 01/03/2021

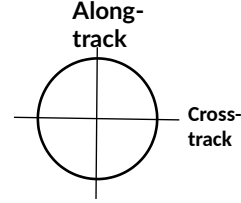
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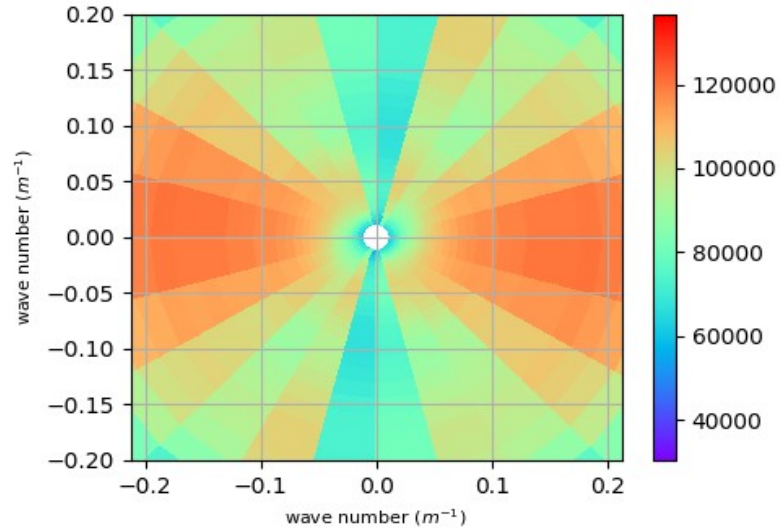
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 $6^\circ > 8^\circ > 10^\circ > \text{combined}$



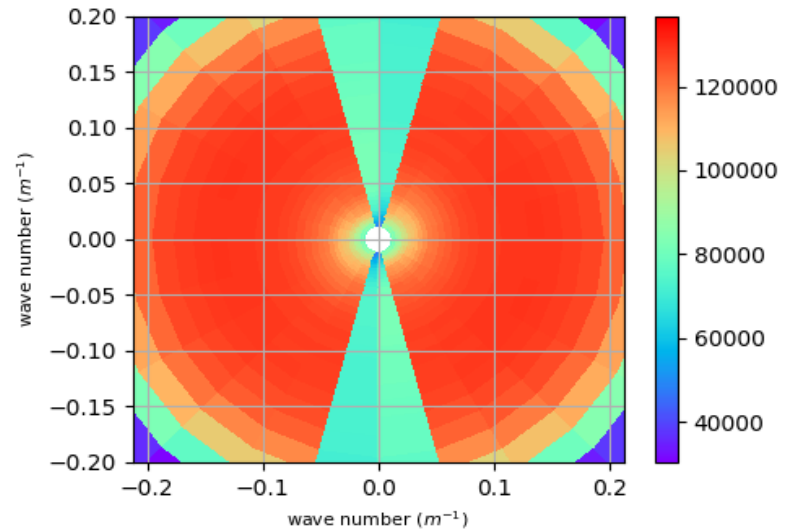
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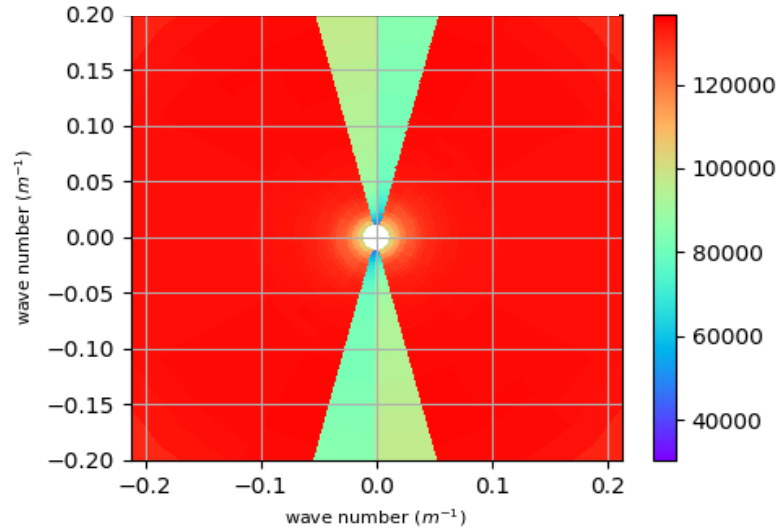
SWIM 6°



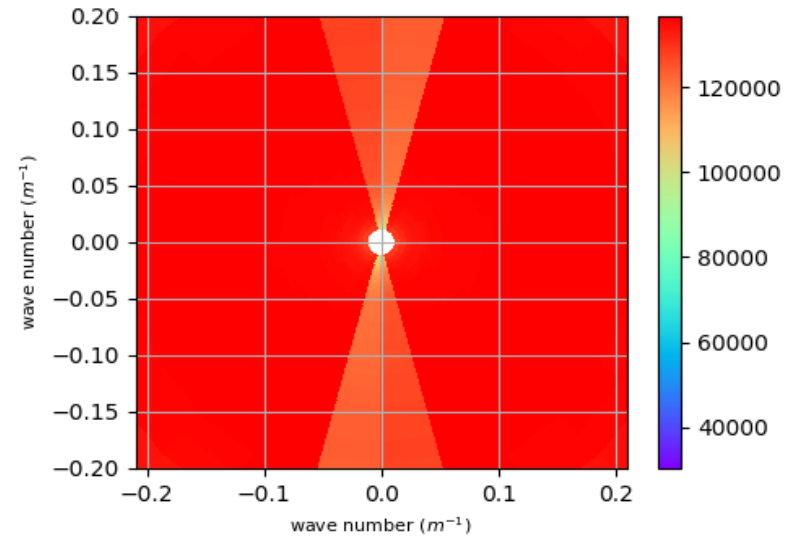
SWIM 8°



SWIM 10°



SWIM combined

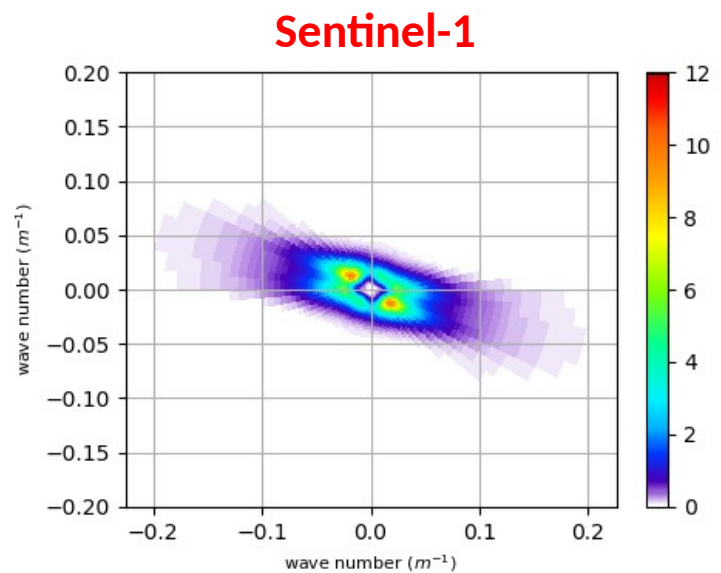
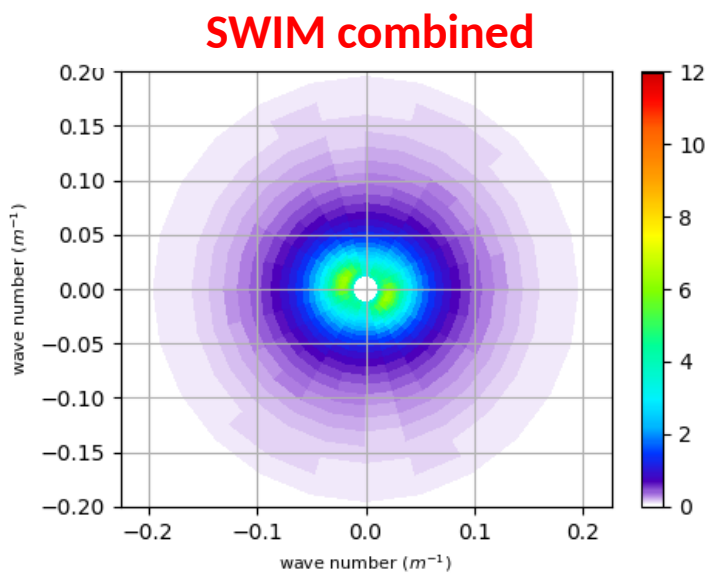
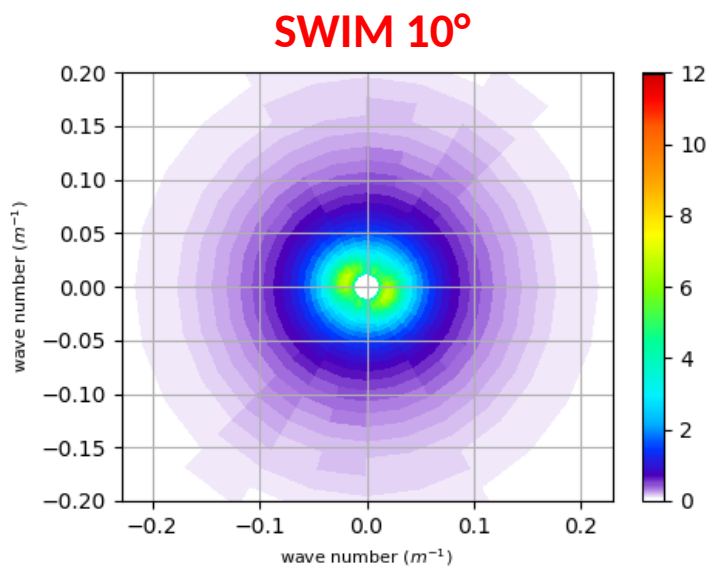
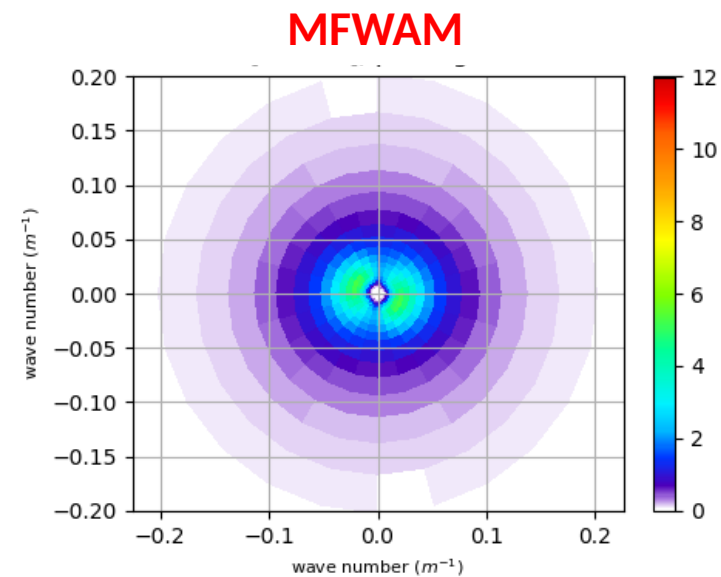
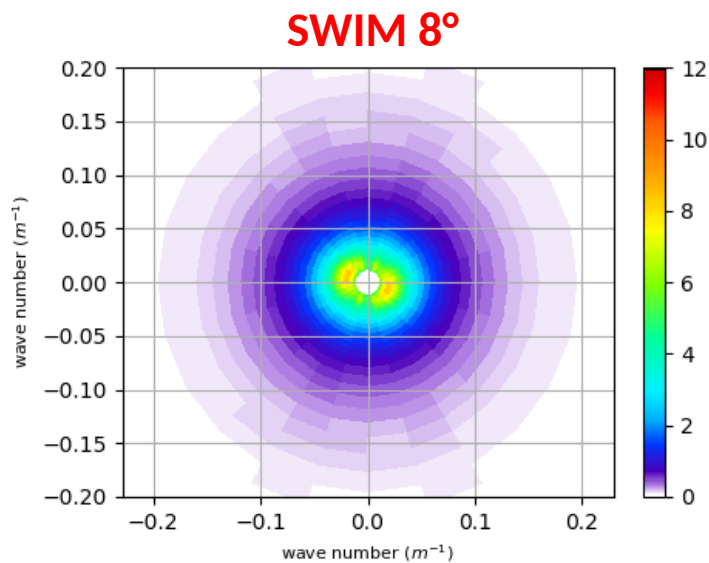
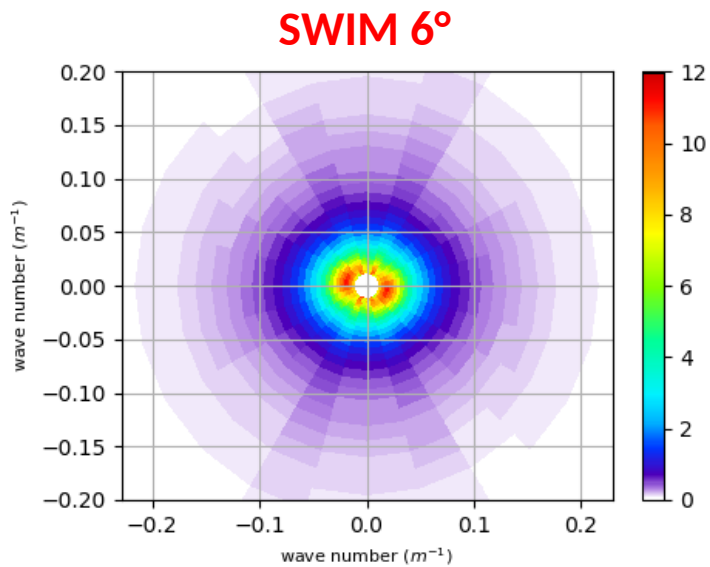
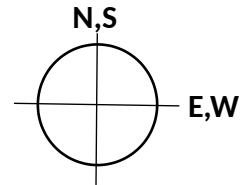


Flagged data :
6° > 8° > 10° > combined

Mostly located around
the along-track direction

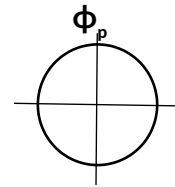
Mean 2D spectra

$$\langle E^S(k, \phi) \rangle$$

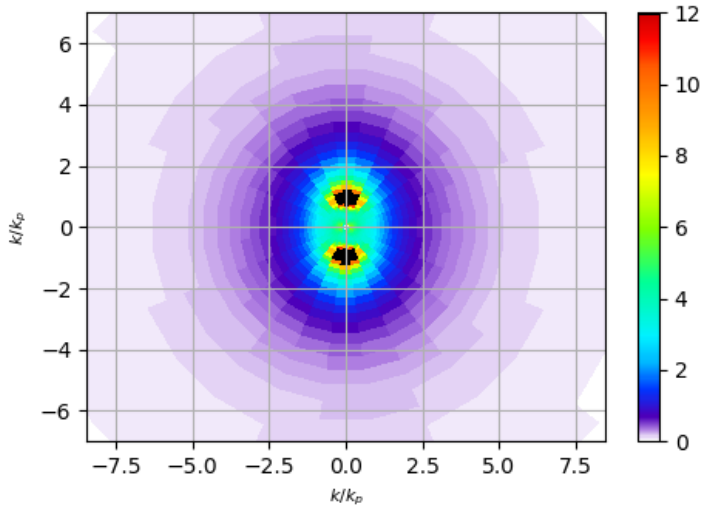


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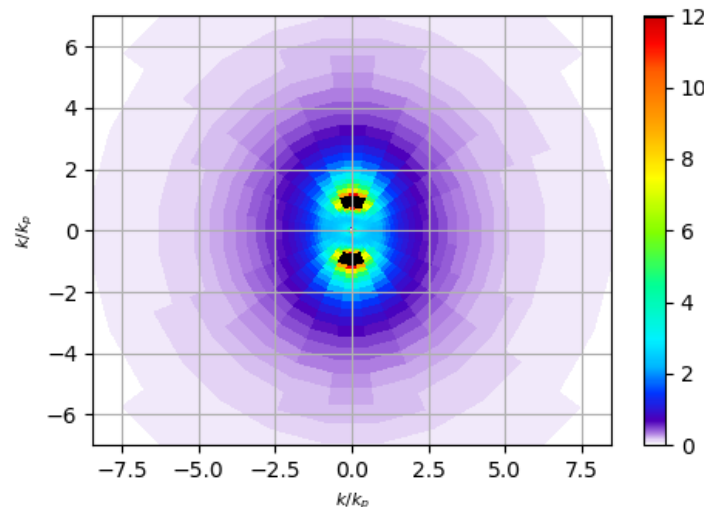
$$\langle E^S(k/k_p, \phi - \phi_p) \rangle$$



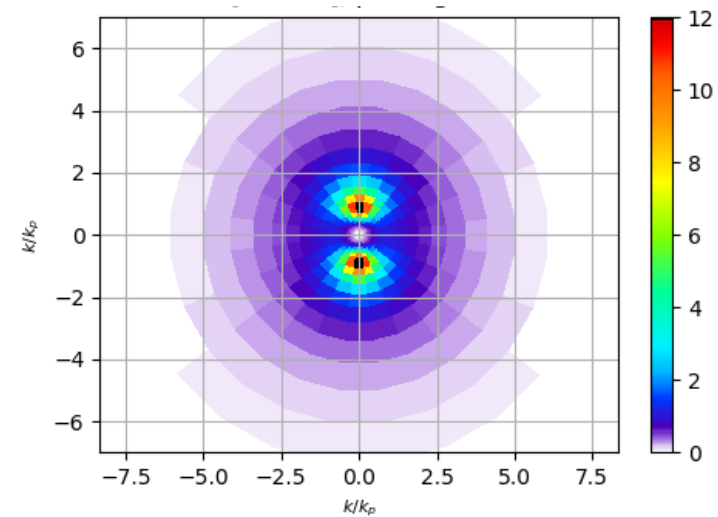
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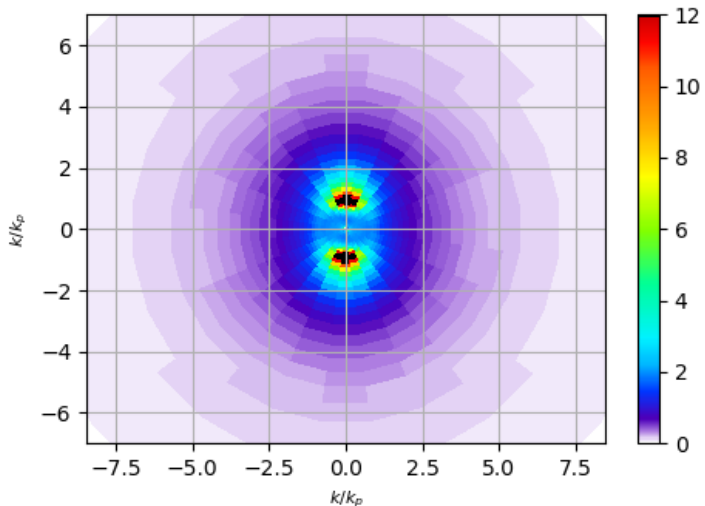
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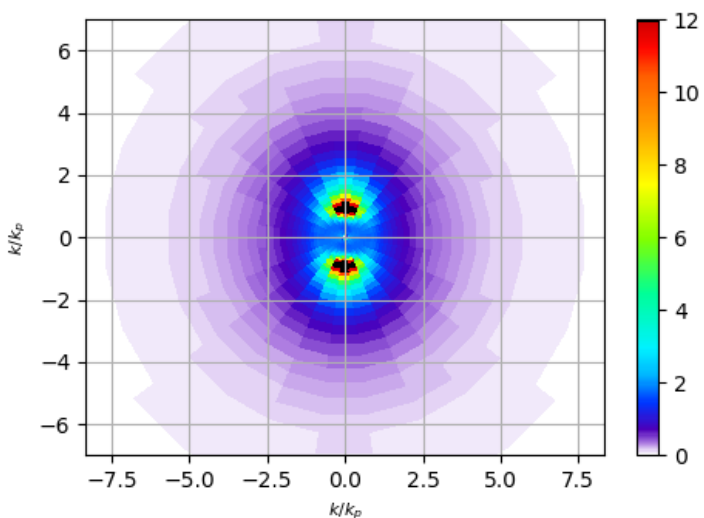
MFWAM



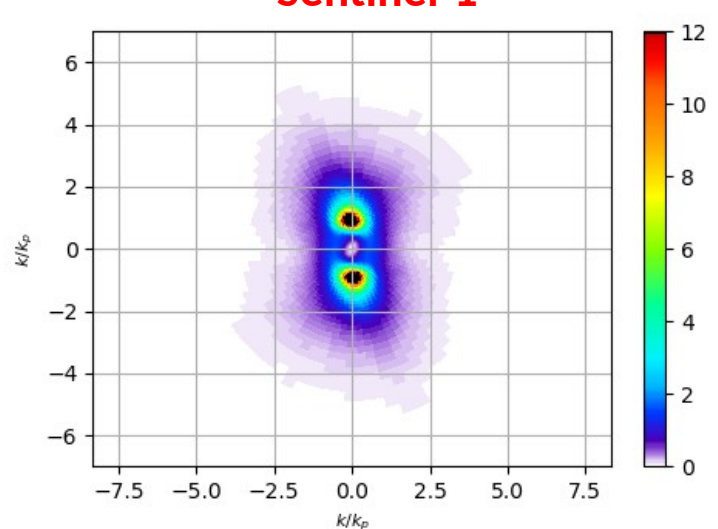
SWIM 10°



SWIM combined



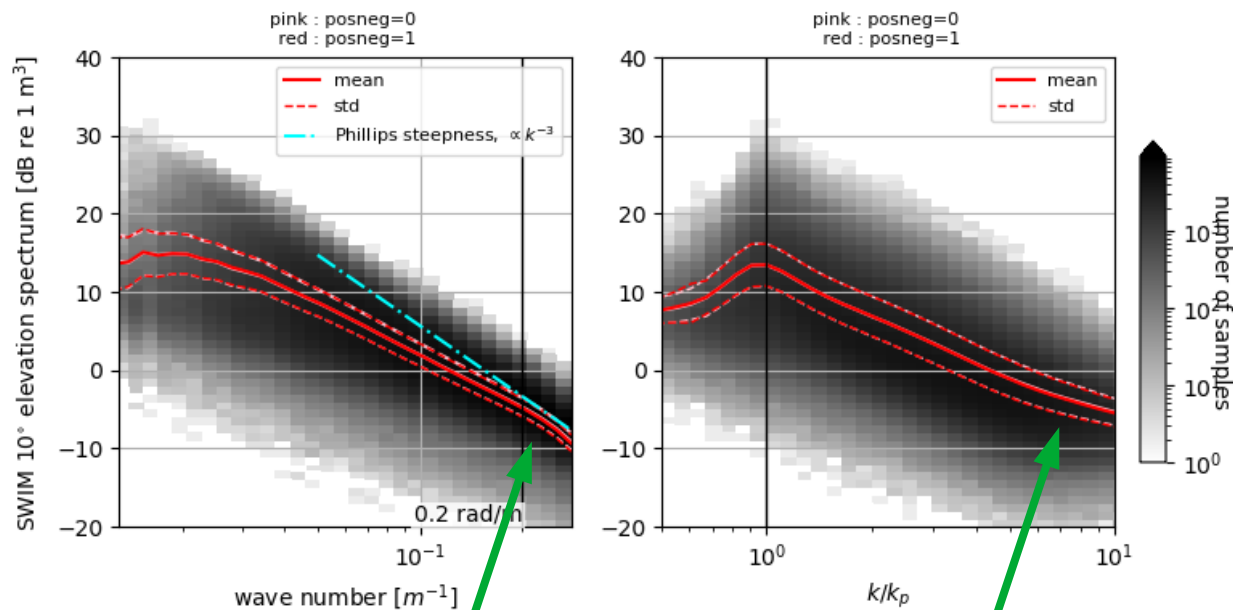
Sentinel-1



1D spectra

$$E(k) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} E^S(k, \phi) d\phi \text{ [m}^3\text{]}$$

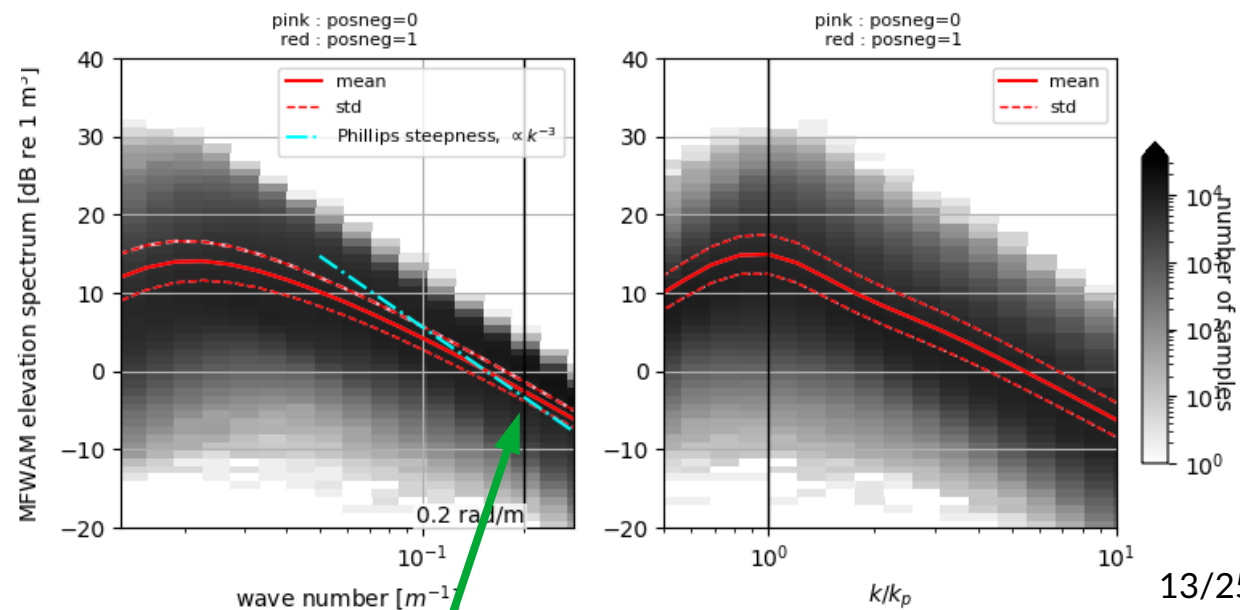
SWIM 10°



Short waves
generally less
energetic than
MFWAM

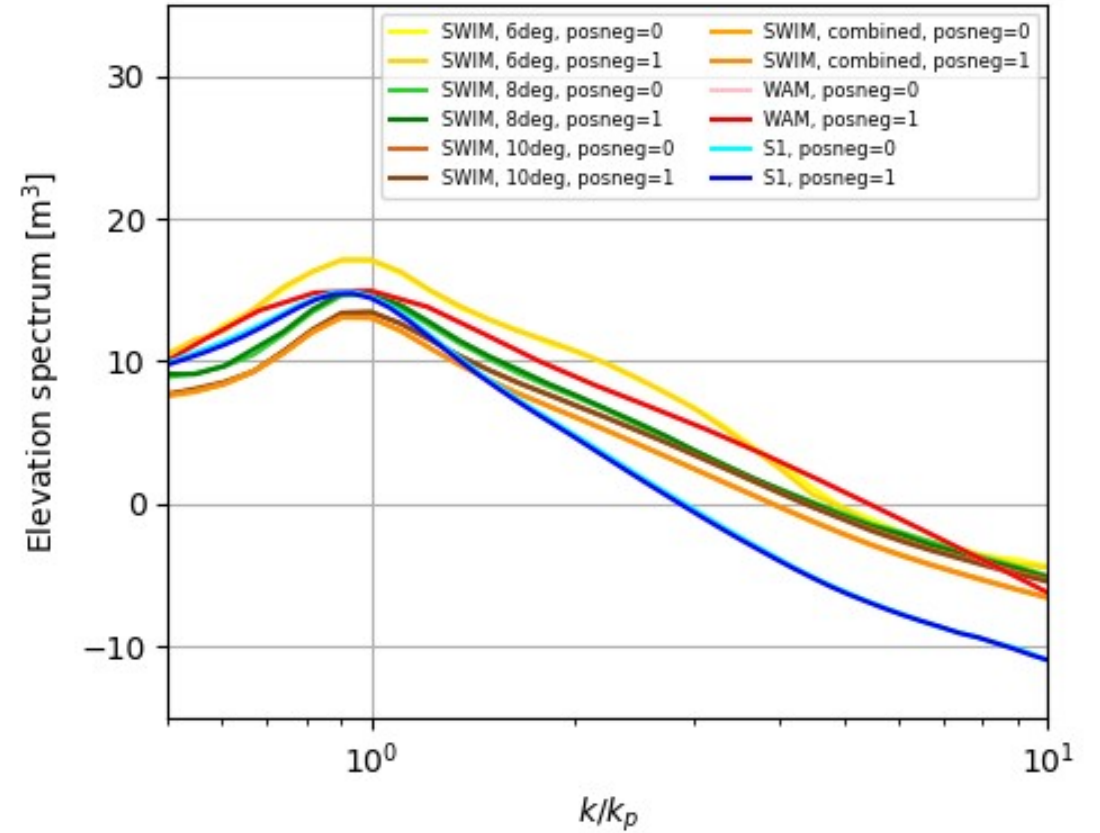
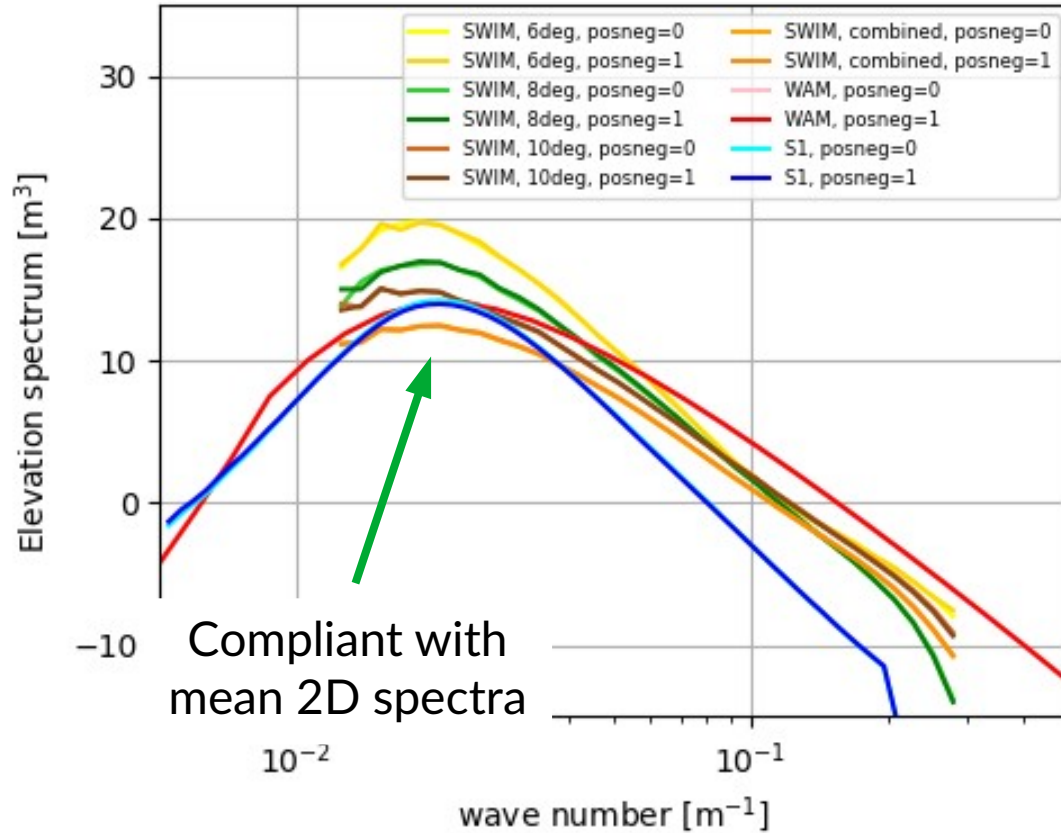
Above 4-5 k_p :
mostly noise

MFWAM



Mean 1D spectra overlay

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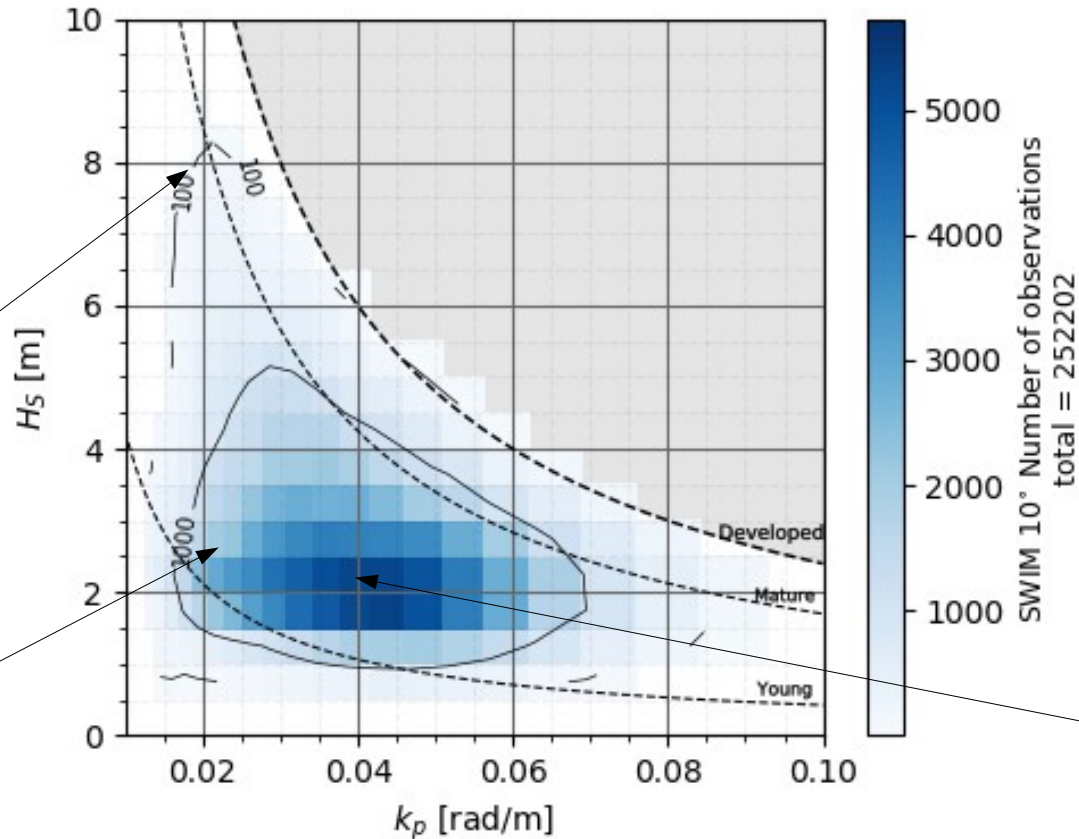
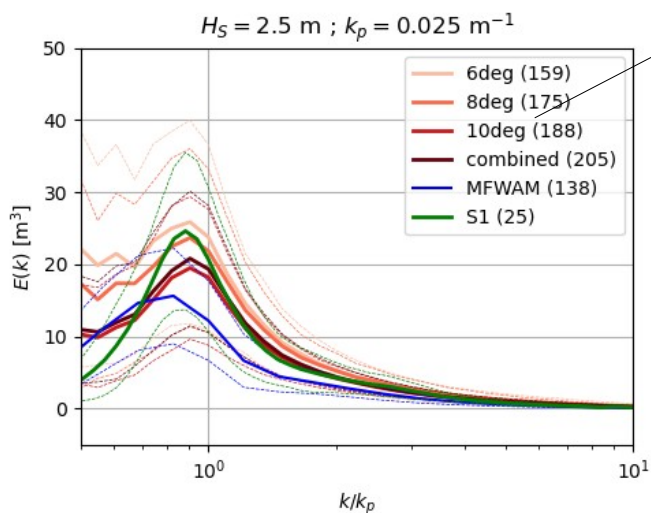
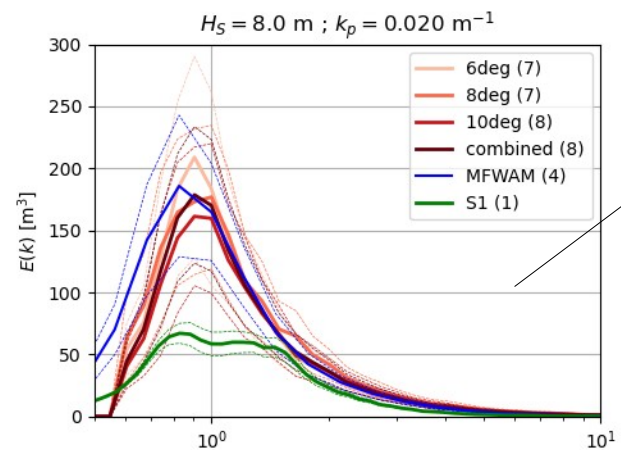


Abacus - principle

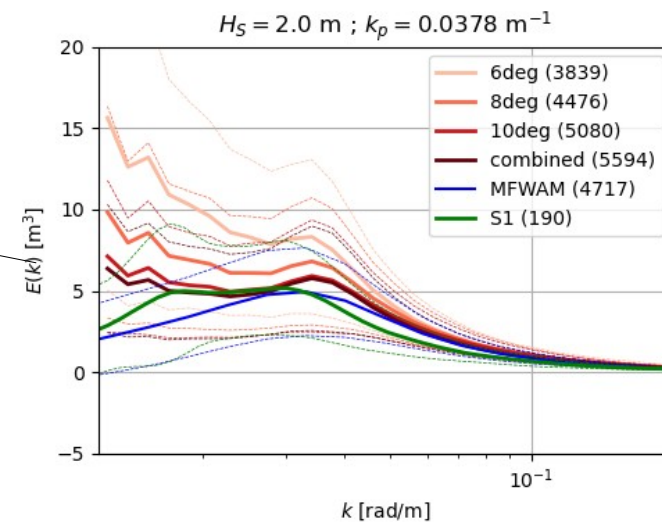
- Detail by sea-state
- Abstract cartography

SWIM - H_S, k_p abacus

1 bin \approx 1 spectrum



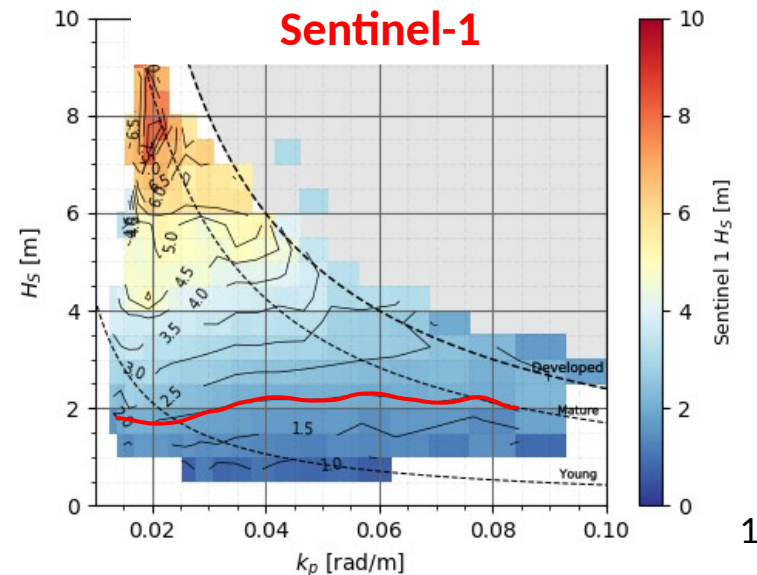
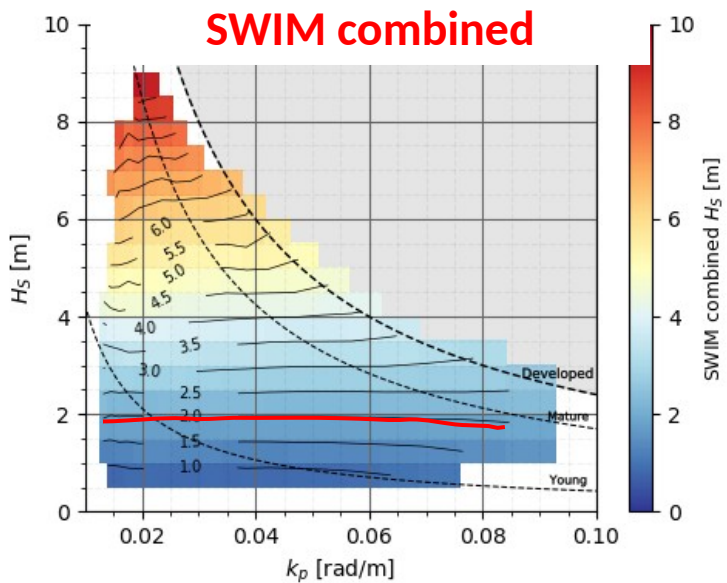
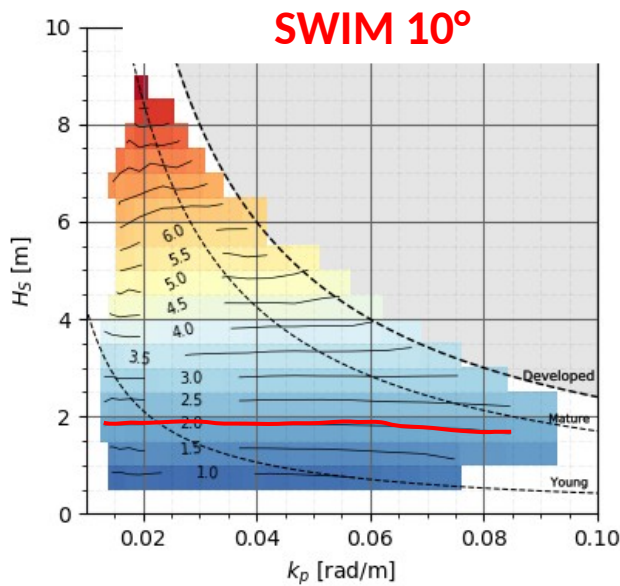
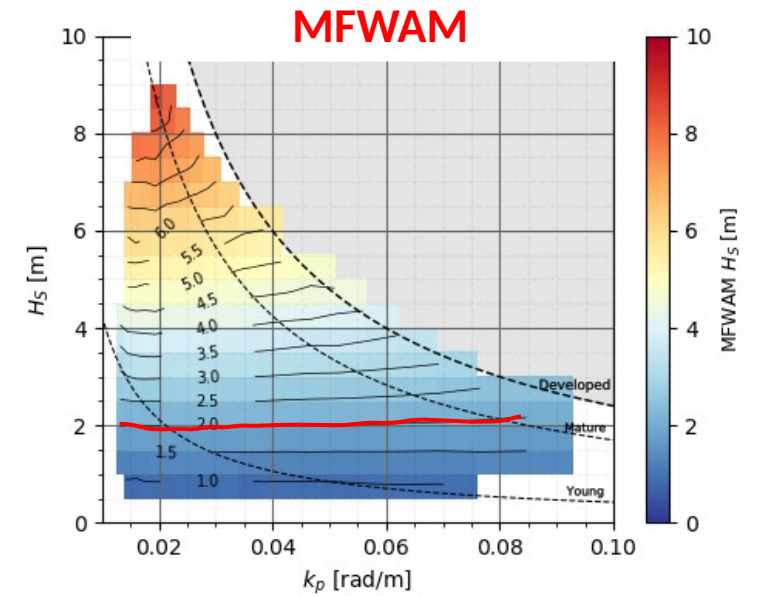
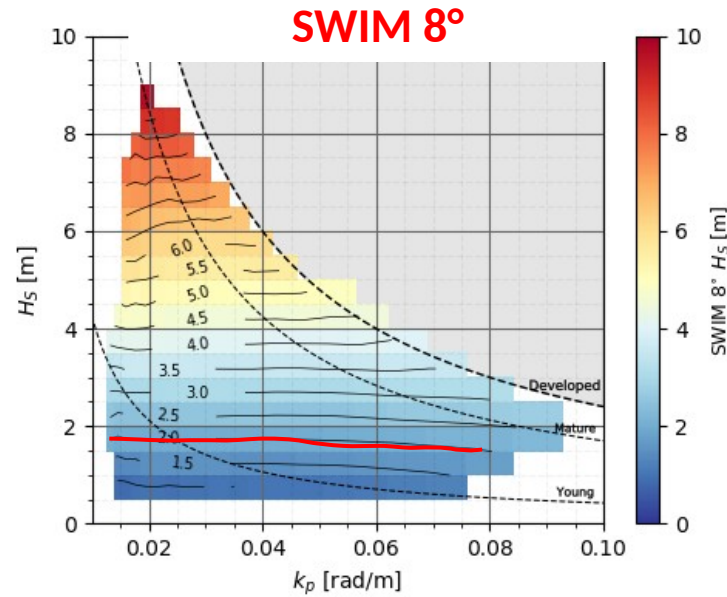
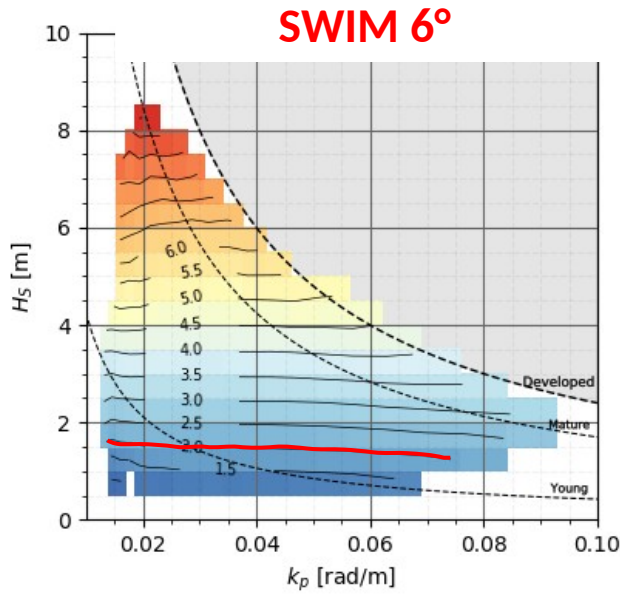
Wave growth laws adapted from [Elfouhaily et al. 1997](#)



Pseudo H_s abacus

$$4\sqrt{\int_0^{0.2\text{rad/m}} dk \langle E(k) \rangle}$$

Compliant with
mean 2D spectra

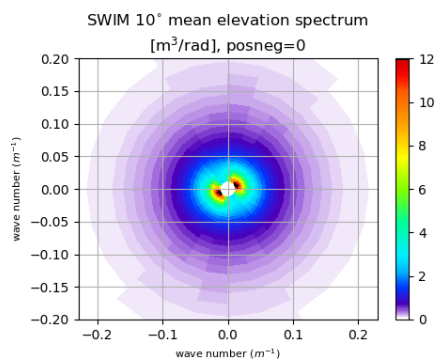
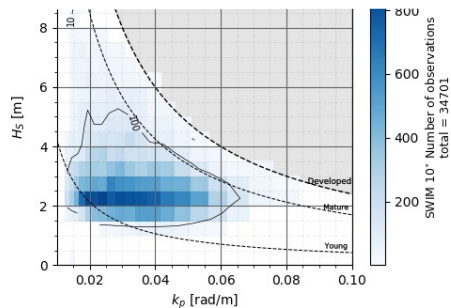


Specific addresses

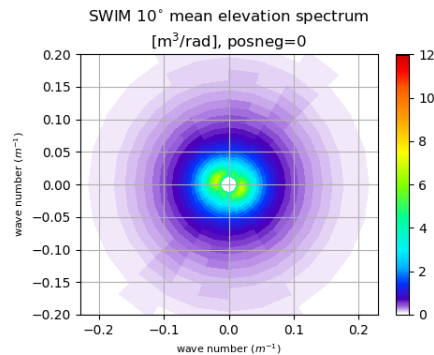
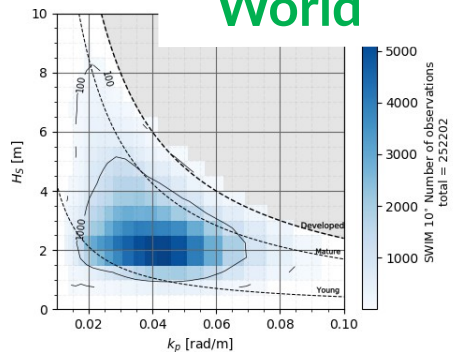
Regional studies

SWIM 10°

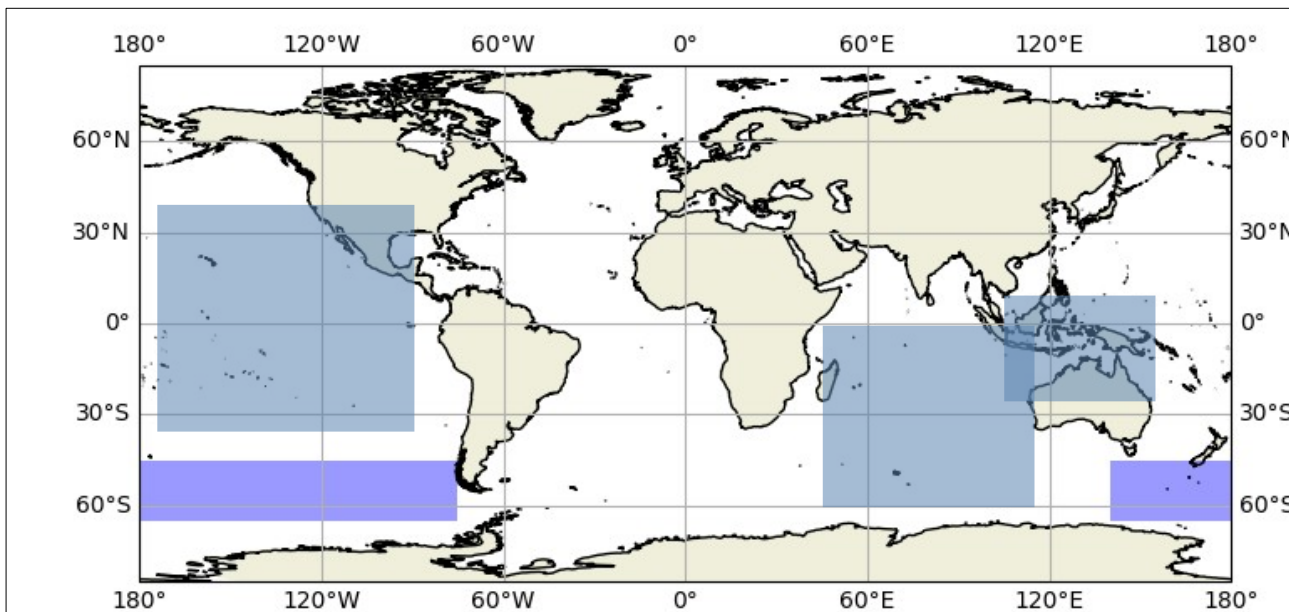
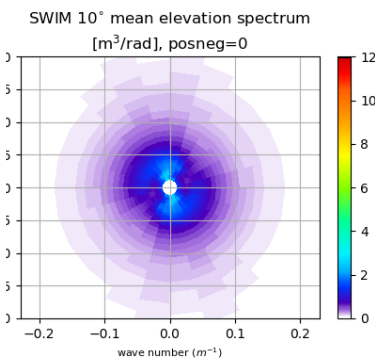
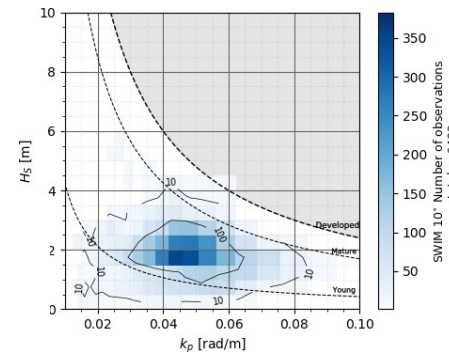
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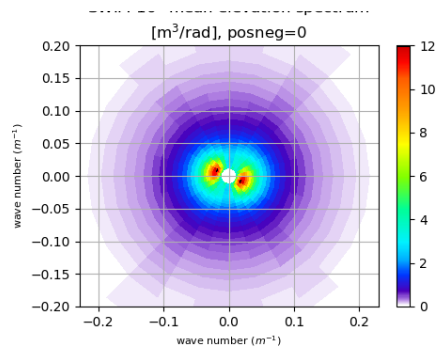
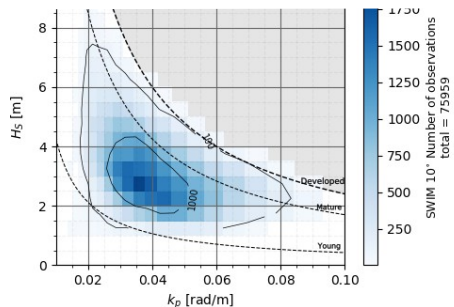
World



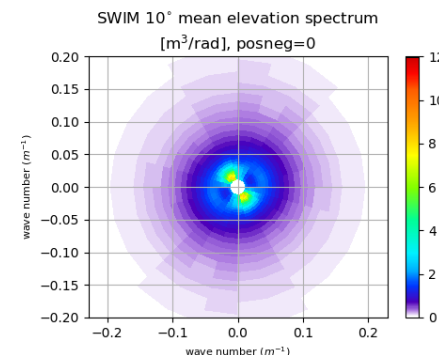
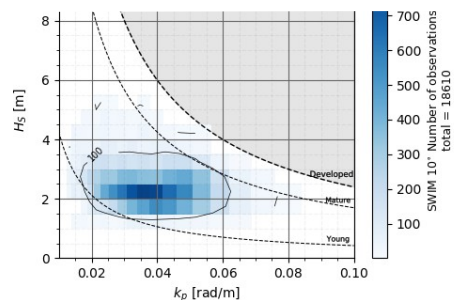
SE Asia



Southern Ocean



Indian Ocean

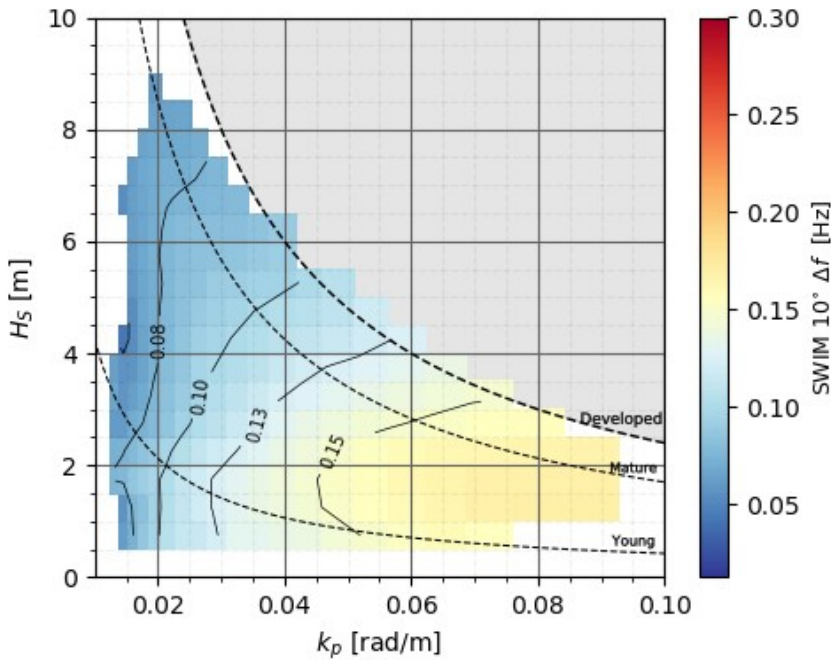


Frequency width

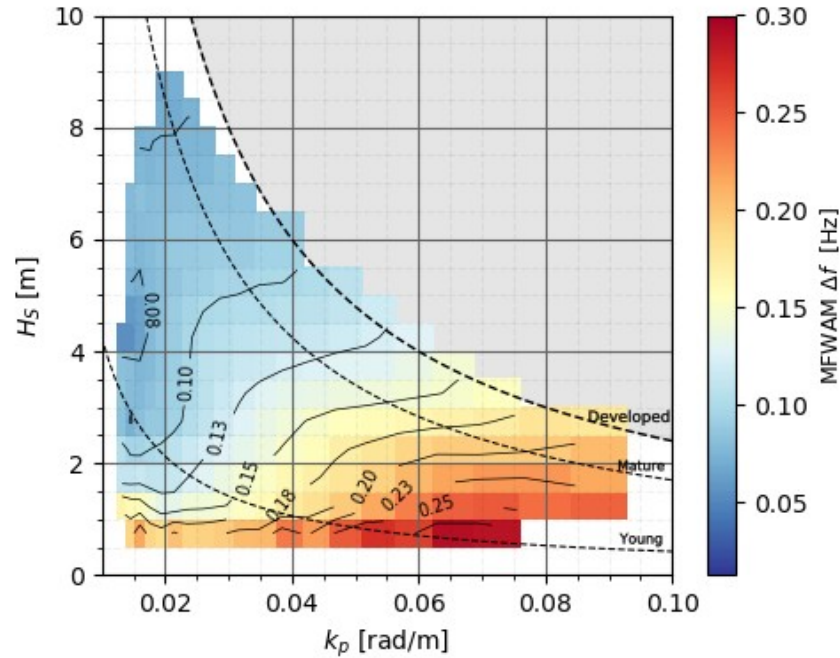
$$\Delta f = \frac{[\int E(f)df]^2}{\int E^2(f)df}$$

→ D. Hauser presentation

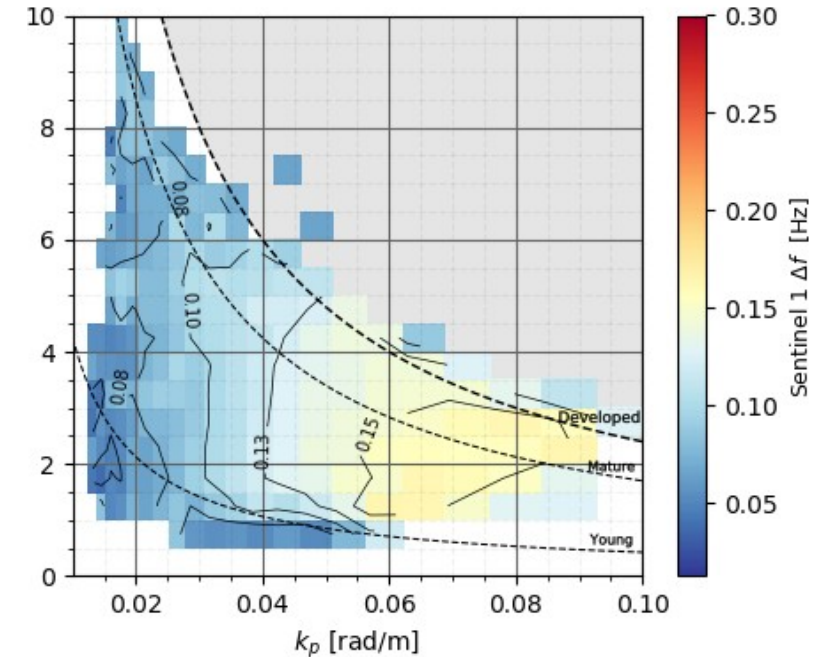
SWIM 10°



MFWAM



Sentinel-1

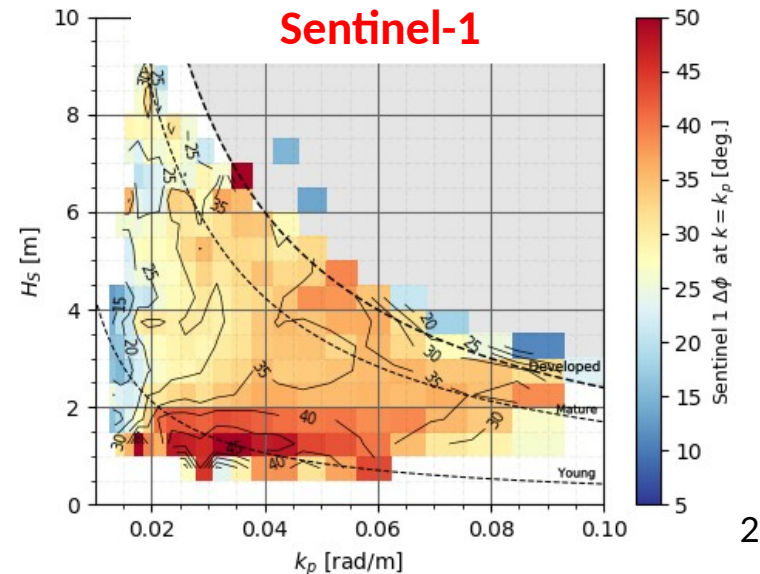
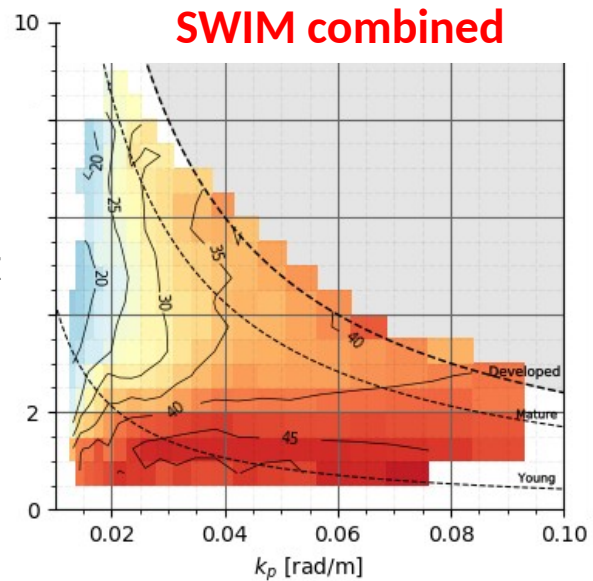
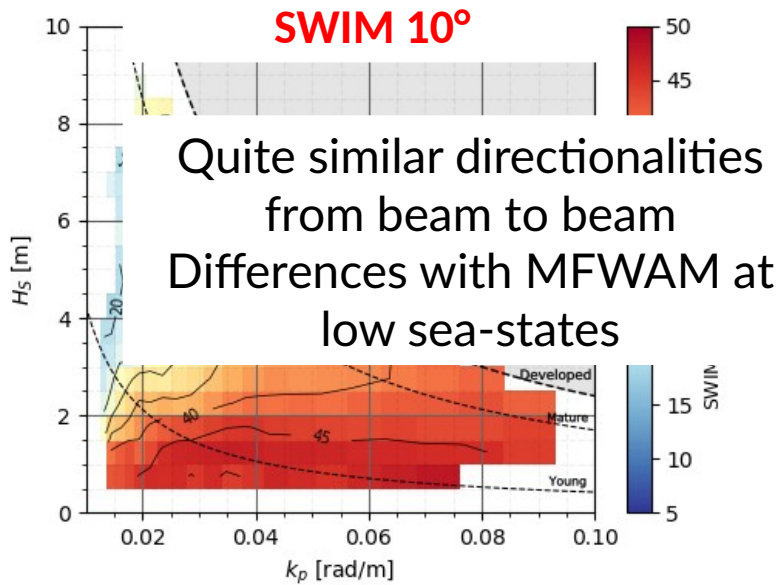
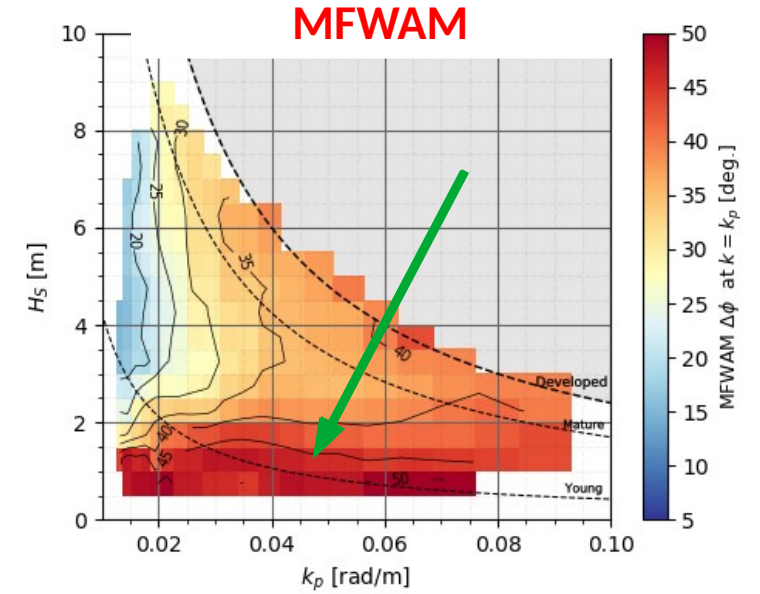
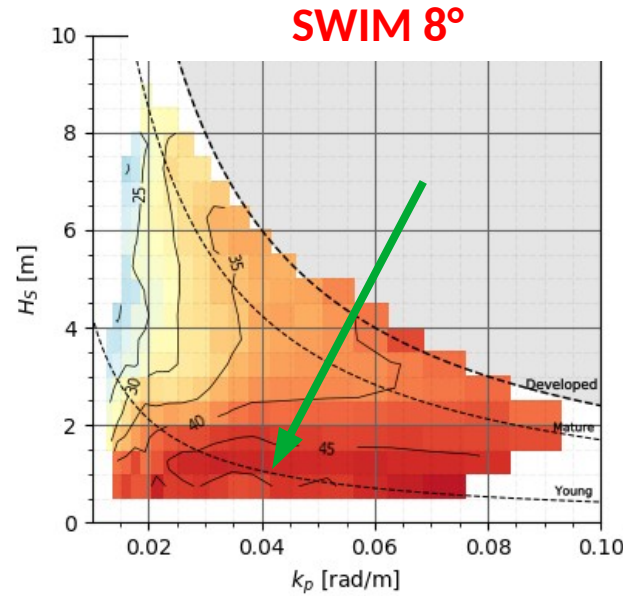
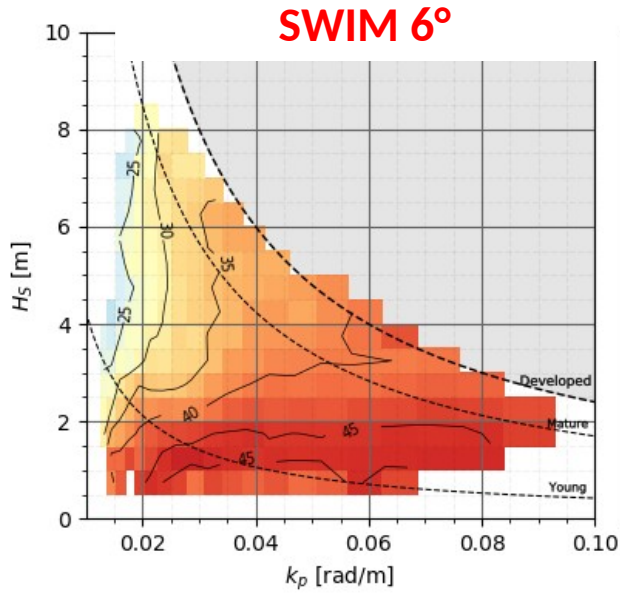


SWIM markedly more peaked than MFWAM, especially at low sea-states

Directional spread at peak

$$\sigma_1 = \sqrt{2 \left(1 - \sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2} \right)}$$

→ D. Hauser presentation



MTF1 vs MTF3

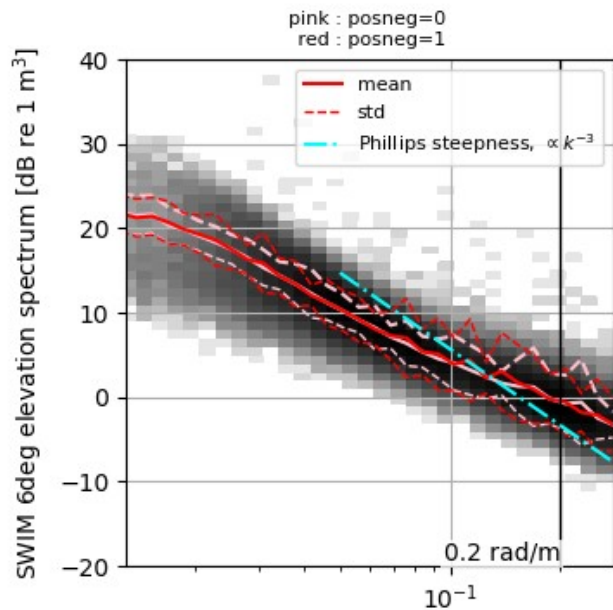
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→ C. Tourain presentation

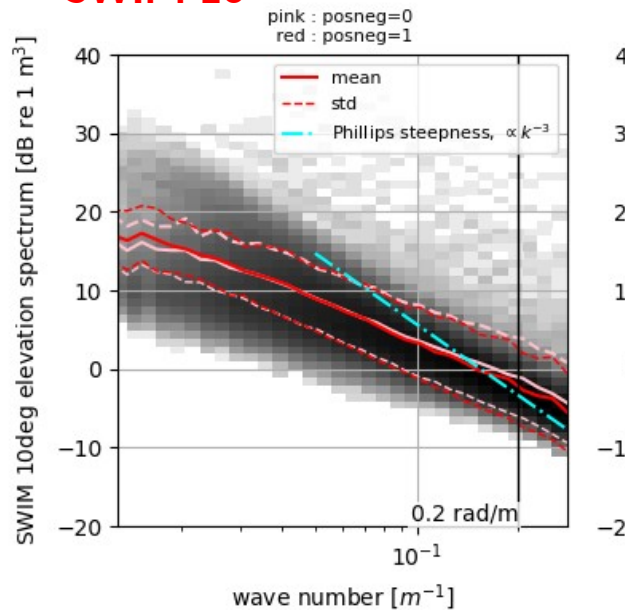
MTF1

MTF3

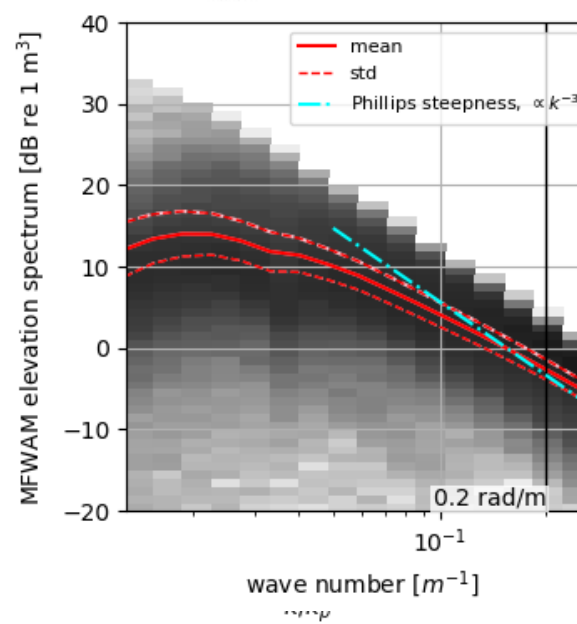
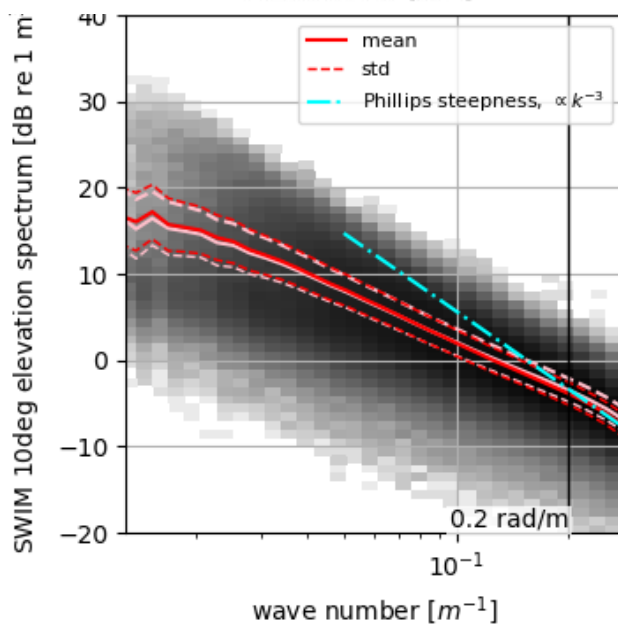
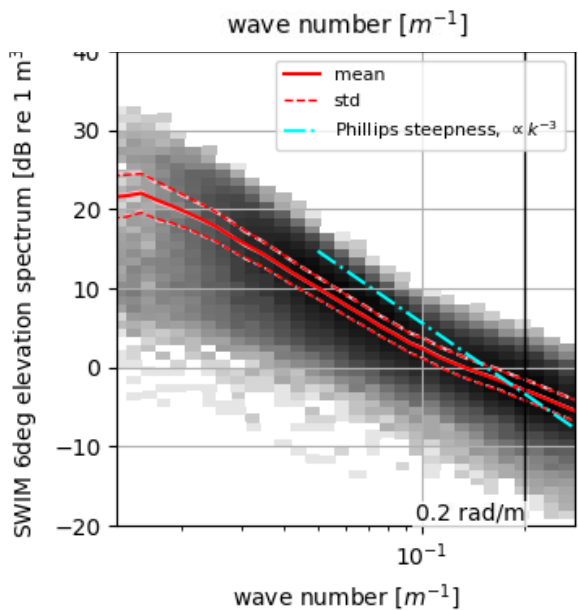
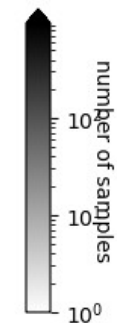
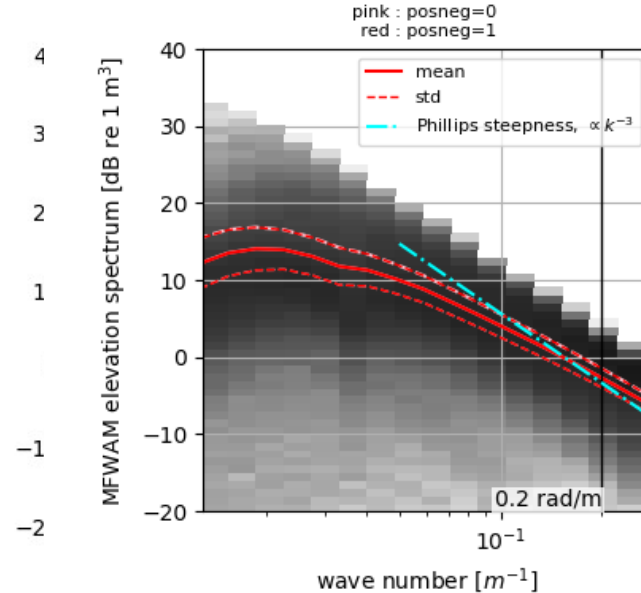
SWIM 6°



SWIM 10°



MFWAM



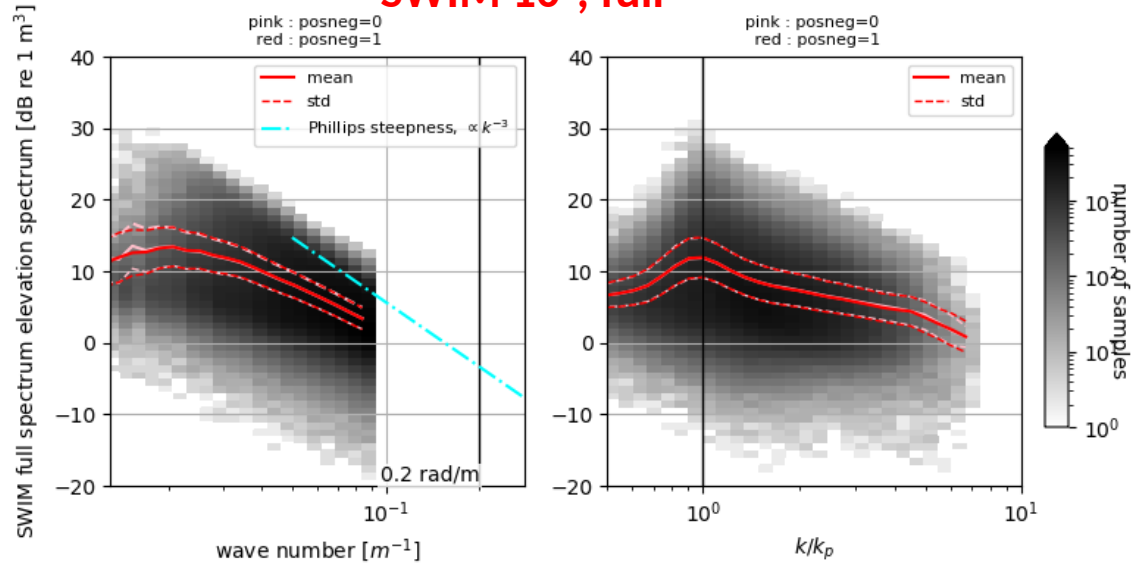
MTF3 less noisy than MTF1

Partitioning (on going work)

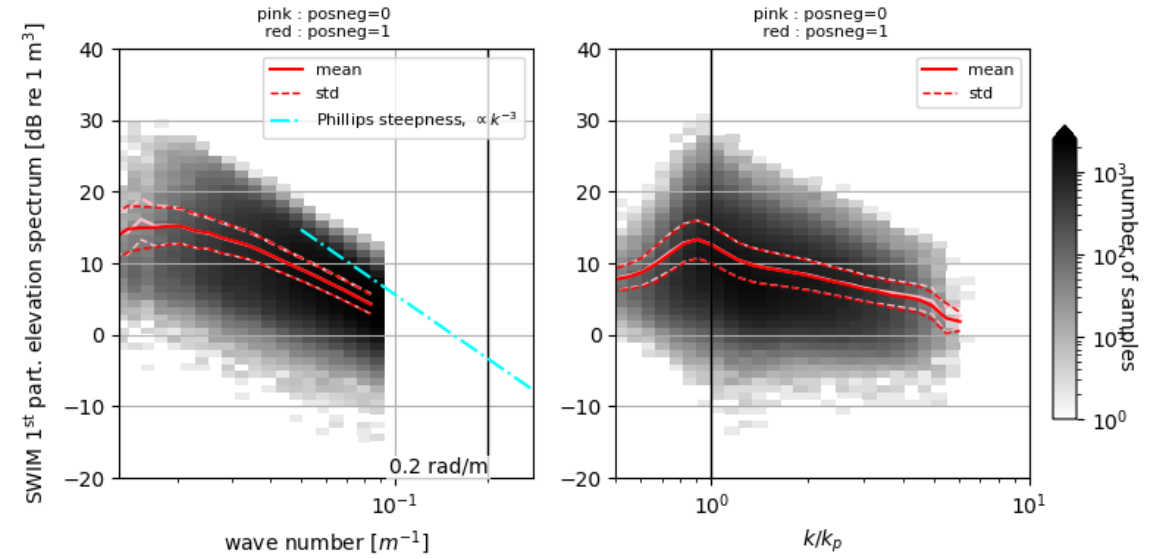
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→ A. Ollivier presentation

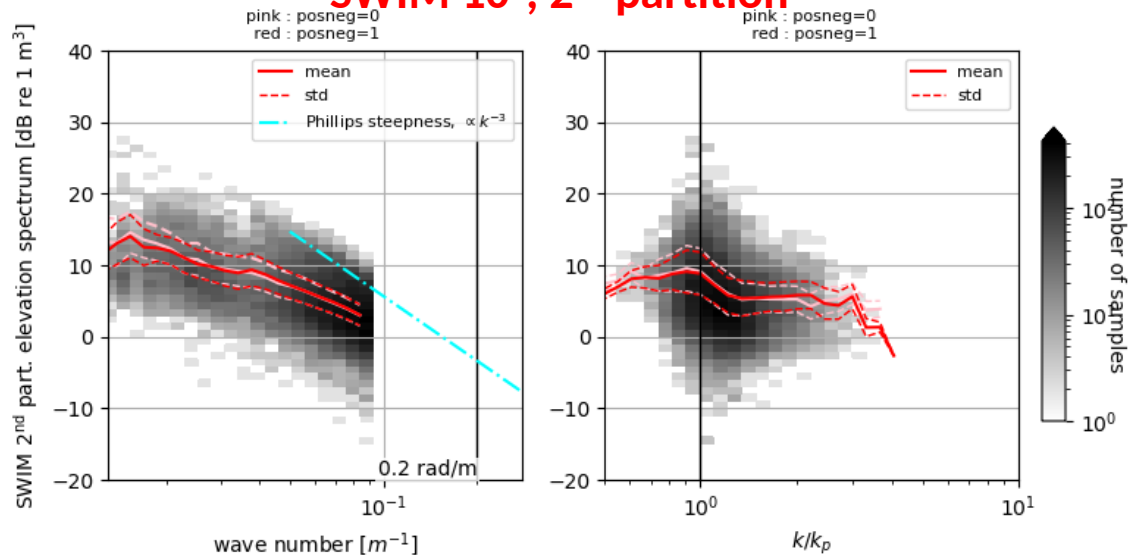
SWIM 10°, full



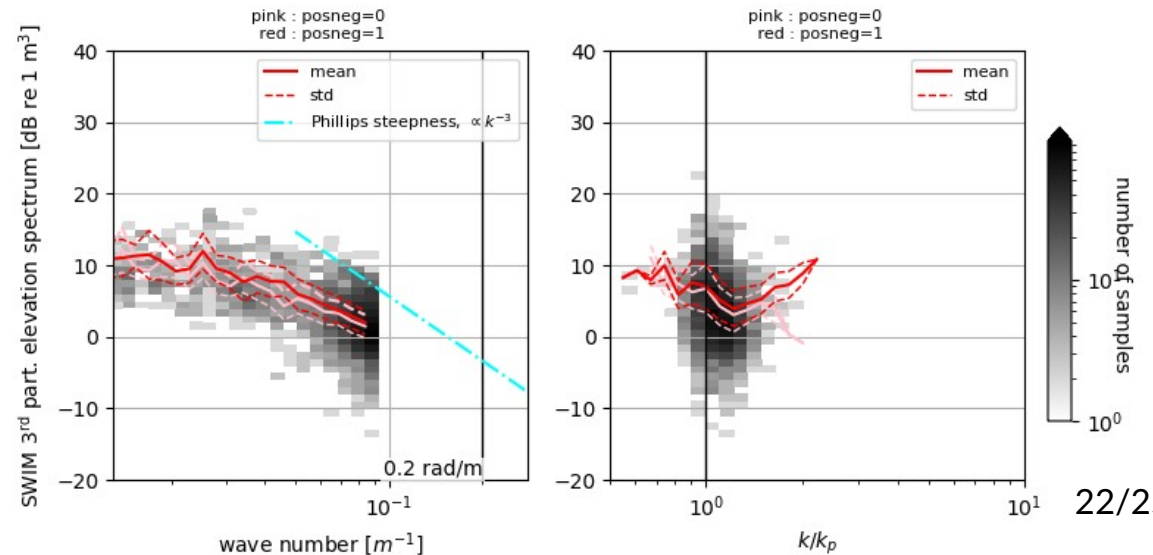
SWIM 10°, 1st partition



SWIM 10°, 2nd partition



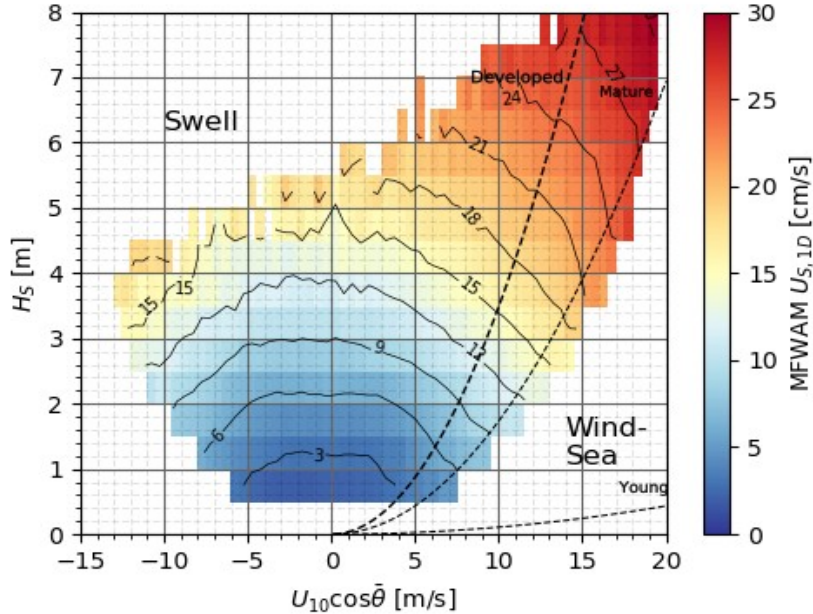
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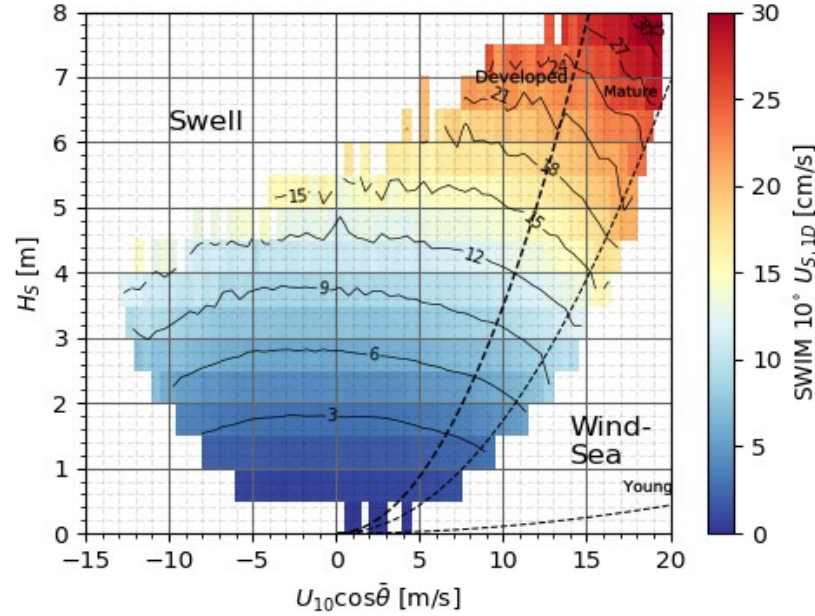
Pseudo 1d Stokes drift

$$2\sqrt{g} \int^{0.2\text{rad/m}} dk k^{1.5} \langle E(k) \rangle$$

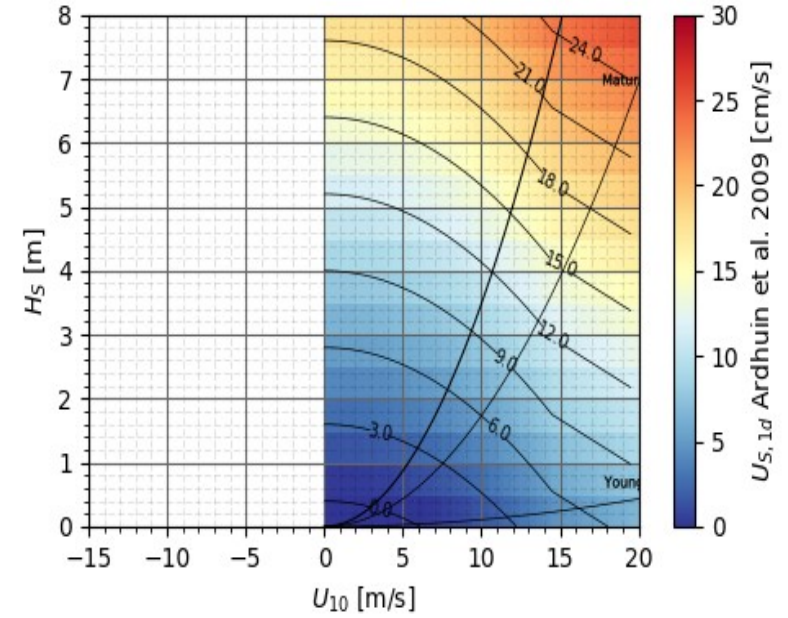
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Ardhuin et al. 2009



There is some geophysical signal at scales smaller than the peak : interesting to investigate

➔ Diagnostic tool for the investigation of SIM ocean waves spectra scientific performance

- Visualize large amounts of 2D spectra
- Trigger CAL/VAL and scientific investigations
- Illustrate SWIM performances

➔ Main observations

- Beam qualities compliant with known performances
- Spectrum noisy above $4-5 k_p$
- SWIM spectra markedly more peaked both in frequency and direction than modeled ones (especially low sea-states)

➔ Further investigations

- Characterize variability (noise and geophysical)
- Add diagnostics

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