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Referring to the recommendations made at the “*Expert Meeting on Deep-Sea Fishing and Its Impact on Ecosystem*”¹ that SEAFDEC is requested to find best practice of the sampling gears for deep-sea fisheries resources. Over the years, SEAFDEC/TD has explored ways to utilize the deep-sea fisheries resources in Southeast Asian Region through improvement of so-called “environmental friendly sampling gears”, including mid-water trawl, gillnet, and bottom vertical longline. It was also suggested through the series of activities related to deep-sea fisheries resources exploration in the Southeast Asian Region that technical information/knowledge and experience on bathygraphic mapping (fisheries resources mapping) should be transferred to the Member Countries in order to provide an alternative source of fisheries resources from the deep-sea waters of the Member Countries with science-based information, particularly on the vulnerable marine ecosystem of their respective waters. In respond to this, SEAFDEC TD has developed a set of equipment ready to be put into the trial before transferring such knowledge and technology to the Member Countries. Subsequently, SEAFDEC/TD plans to organize “Regional training workshop on benthic habitat mapping” scheduled in the third quarter of 2012, of which the tools² for resources mapping are needed to be trailed.

With this regard, SEAFDEC/TD proposes to carry out the in-house workshop on the benthic habitat mapping on board M.V. SEAFDEC 2.

Objectives:

System testing preparing benthic habitat mapping including:

- Underwater VDO camera
- ROV
- Side Scanning Sonar
- Echo Sounder and
- Bottom trawl

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¹ organized under project deep-sea fisheries resources exploration in the Southeast Asia during 31 August - 2 September 2010

Activities summary

Lecture

Two topics related to basic knowledge echo-sounder including bottom topography survey and mapping the sea floor basic knowledge were lectured by Asst.Prof. Pachoenchoke Jintasaeranee (Ph.D.) from Department of Aquatic Science, Faculty of Science, Burapha University. He also shared his experience on sea floor mapping project in collaboration with German University in Andaman Sea. His lecture notes were attached in Annex I and II.

Performance testing result

1. Underwater VDO camera (SEA Viewer underwater VDO camera) , fig. 2
The sledge attached with Underwater VDO camera were operated five cast to depth about 20 meter near Ko Phai island (fig.1) to test the most suitable angle of VDO camera and light to capture bottom seafloor. It was found that the survey area is high turbidity; the light source from the SEA Viewer is too low to focus sea floor. Following is recommendation for the future SEA Viewer cast in the turbid water.
 - SEA Viewer light should be turn off (the camera lens focus to colloid / suspended solid when turn on the SEA Viewer light)
 - Use outside light source which should be alternately switches on and off every 5 minutes to save battery.
 - Trawling speed 0.7-1 knot
 - Attached angle of SEA viewer to frame is 67°
 - Operating time should be in day time
 - Should overlay position from GPS to VDO
 - Should mark length of sea cable to correct position
2. Remotely Operated underwater Vehicle (ROV), fig. 3
The ROV system is working well when testing on desk. With unknown reason it malfunctions when lowering to depth about 20 meters after 5 minutes testing period. Both underwater and on desk unit were check by Port engineer. There were no part of the ROV is leak. He suggested to send main board of underwater unit to repair.
3. Side Scanning Sonar (Furuno HF 600)
The system was not able to retrieve before the workshop period. The performance testing of HF600 was abolished from the schedule. We are contracting to Furuno co. Ltd. to repair the system.
4. Echo Sounder (Furuno GP-1650 WF) fig. 4
The Furuno GP-1650 WF is working well when testing. However some improvement is need for better operation in term of quality of data and convenience for practical operation including:
 - Portable rack for installing transducer (fig. 5)
 - Purchase electric power inverter (220 V to 12 V)
 - Operate at ship speed 2 knot
 - Data should be plot to overlay with underwater VDO seafloor
5. High opening trawl , fig. 6
Refer to MV.SEAFFDEC 2 survey in Vietnam cruise no. 39-1-2012 that more than 50% of survey area are in the water deeper than 100 meter depth. The bottom trawl of M.V.SEAFFDEC 2 opening mouth is too small for sampling mid water fishery resource. In order to solve the problem, SEAFFDEC/TD construct new High opening trawl which more appropriate for the mid water fishery resource survey.

This new high opening trawl were operated four haul to adjust trawling technique. Trawling area are near to Phai island where depth about 30-40 meter. This trial suggested that it able to catch pelagic fish. Highest catch rate was 94 kg/hour. Majority of catch are pelagic fish. Following is note for future operation and improvement of high opening trawl.

- The trawl body of high opening trawl is lighter than bottom trawl, therefore M.V. SEAFDEC 2 able to trawl at faster speed to maximum at 5 knots.
- Trawl trial by M.V.SEAFDEC 2 found that maximum trawl height is 22 meter with ship speed at 3.5 knots while the faster speed (4.5 knots) reduced trawl height to 8-12 meter.
- Head rope should be improved to avoided entangle with trawl wing. Number of float should be added as well in order to increase the trawl height.

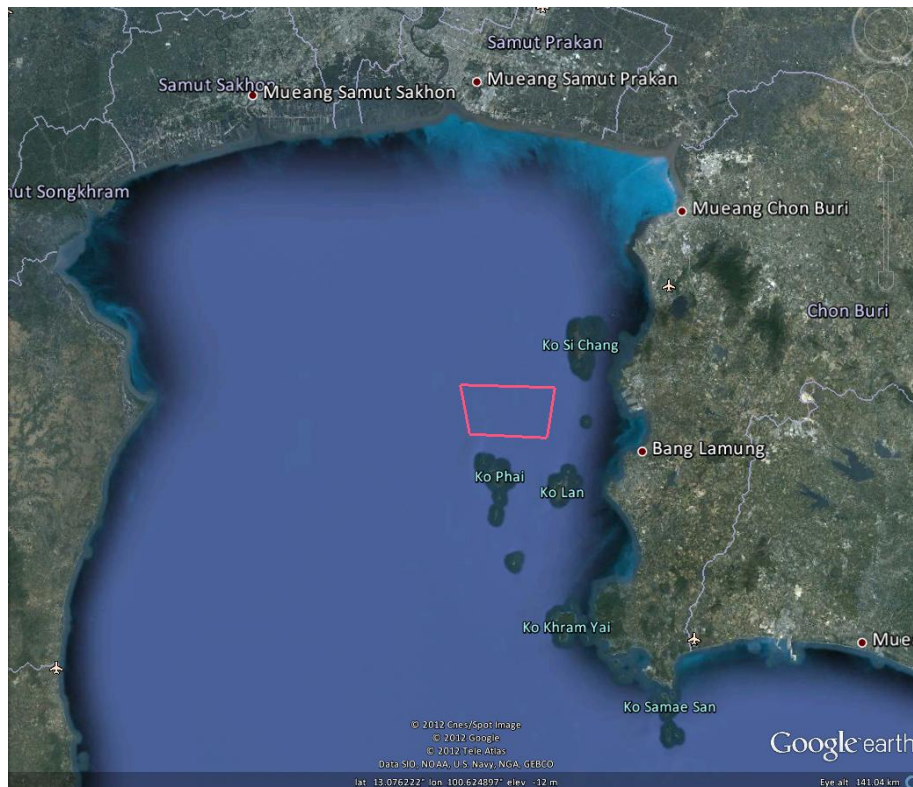


Figure 1 Map of working area (pink square)

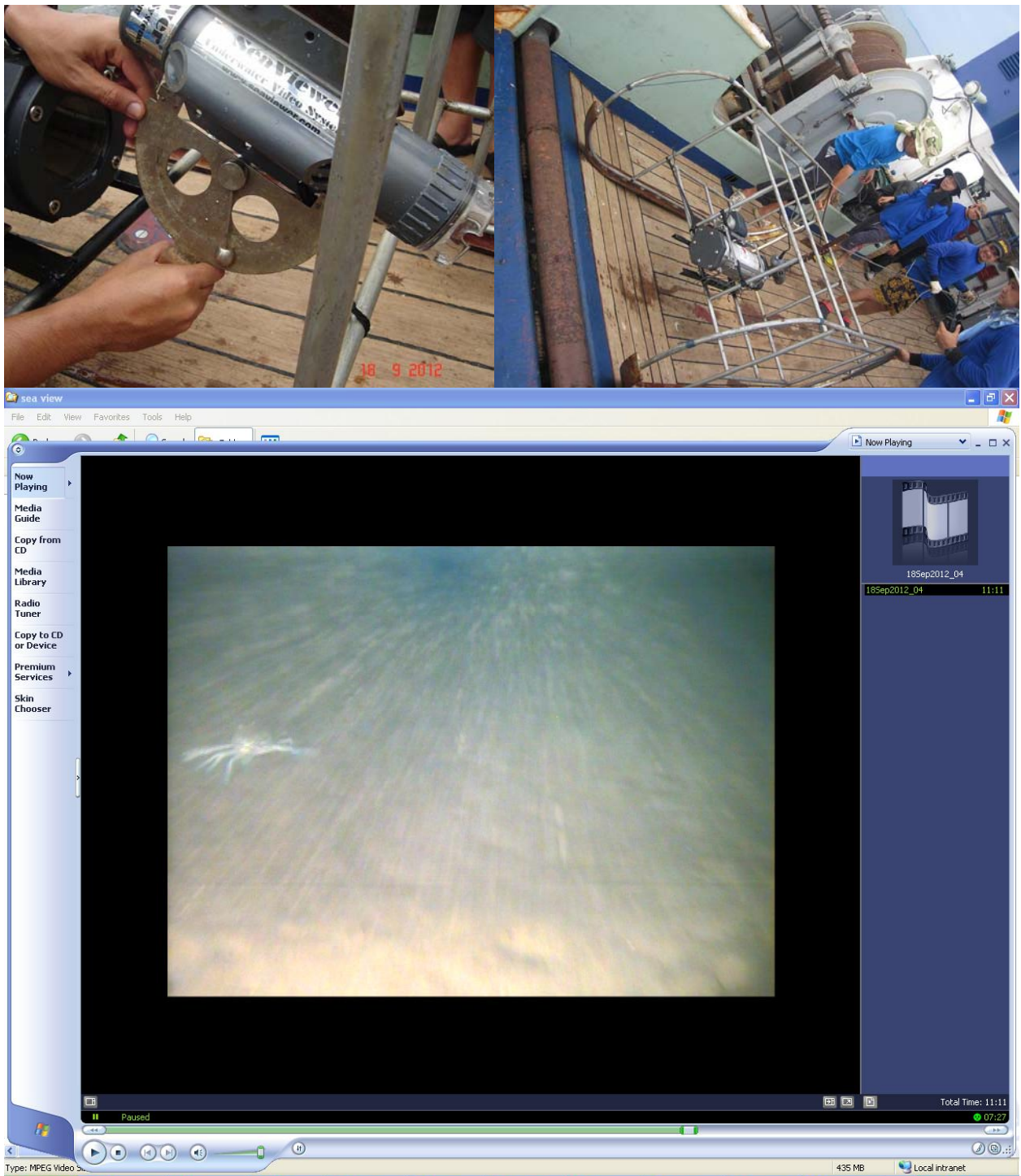


Figure 2 Underwater VDO camera performance testing

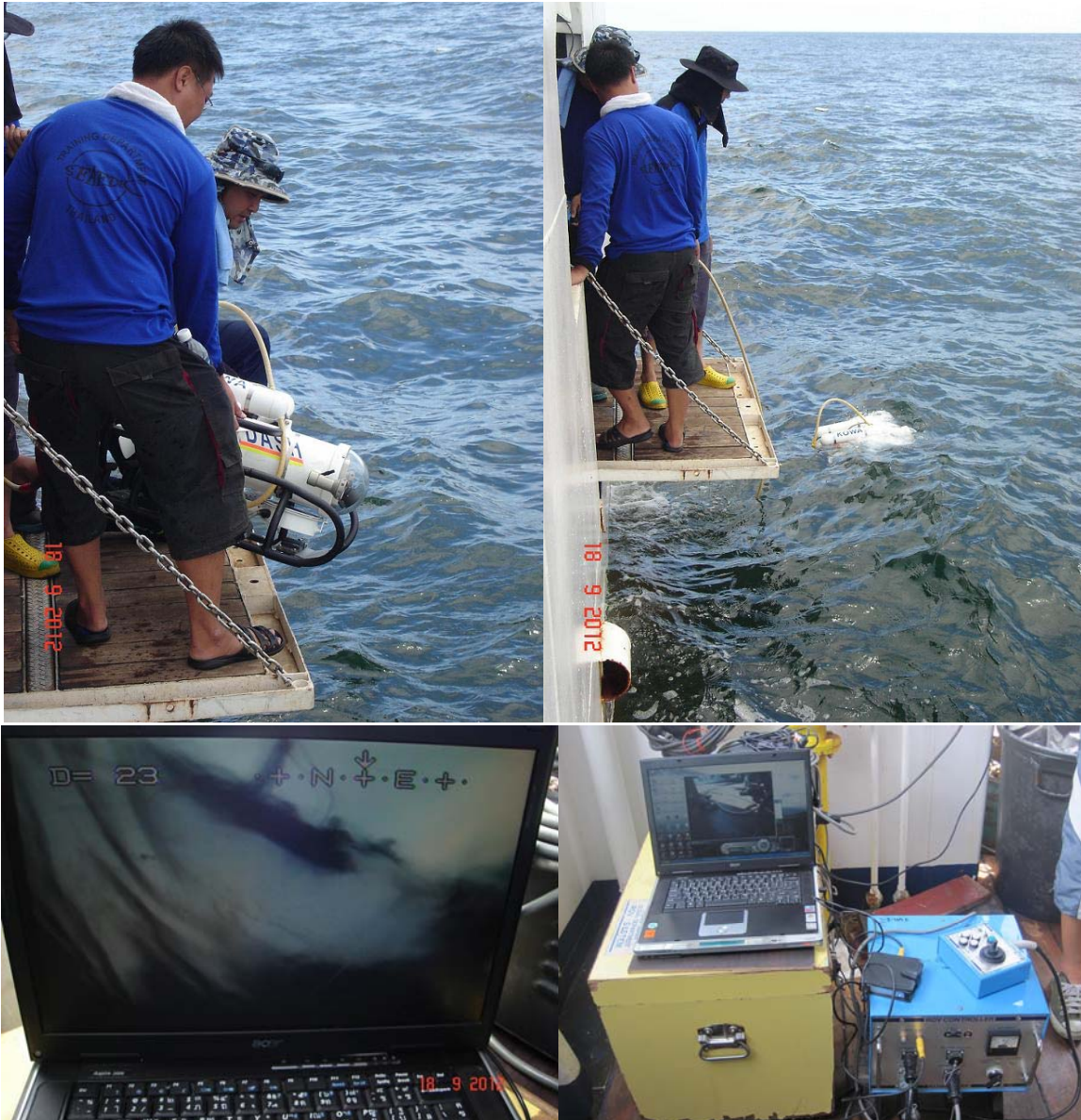


Figure 3 ROV performance testing

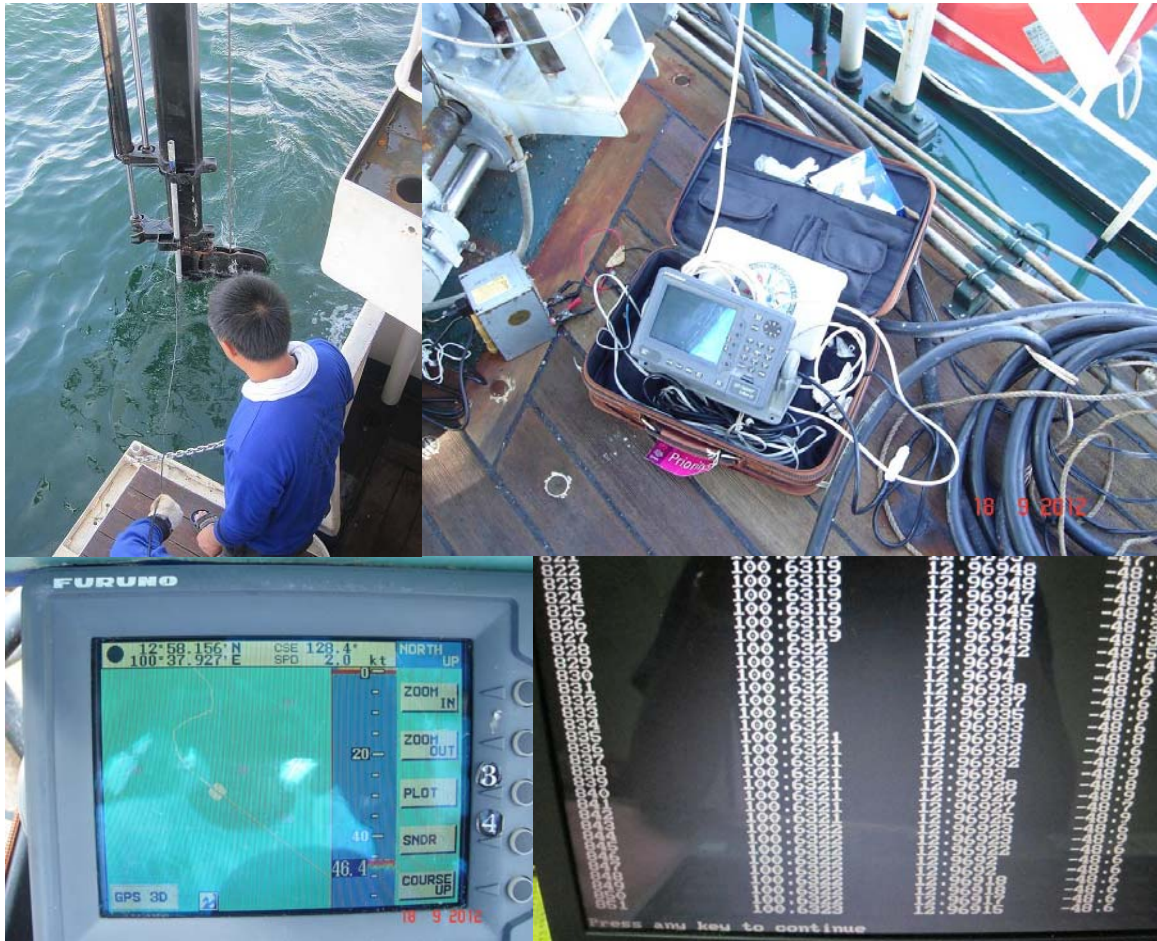


Figure 4 Portable Echo Sounder performance testing

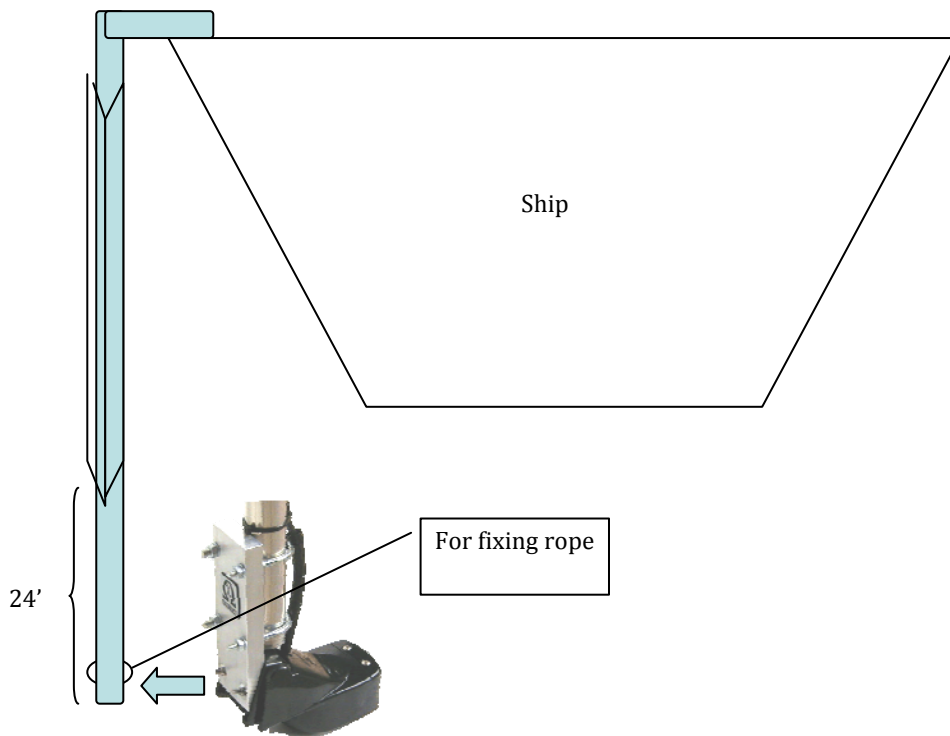


Figure 5 Suggested Echo sounder transducer mounting unit



Figure 6 High Opening Trawl performance testing

Activities time table

Date/time	Activities
17 September 2012	
09:00-10:00	Lecture on Bottom topography survey by. Dr. Pachoenchoke
10:00-11:00	Lecture on Mapping the sea floor by Dr. Pachoenchoke
11:00-14:00	Equipment preparation
14:00-16:00	M.V.SEAFFDEC 2 leave for Phai island
17:00-19:00	Underwater VDO camera performance testing
18 September 2012	
05:00-08:30	High opening trawl performance testing
08:30-10:00	Portable echo sounder no.1 performance testing
10:00-11:00	High opening trawl #1
11:00-13:00	ROV performance testing
13:00-15:00	Underwater VDO camera performance testing
15:00-17:00	High opening trawl #2
19:00-19:30	Discussion for testing result
19 September 2012	
06:00-07:30	High opening trawl #3
07:30-10:00	High opening trawl #4
10:00-11:00	Packing all equipments
11:00-15:00	Leave for SEAFDEC/TD
16:00	Arrived SEAFDEC/TD

Bottom topography survey

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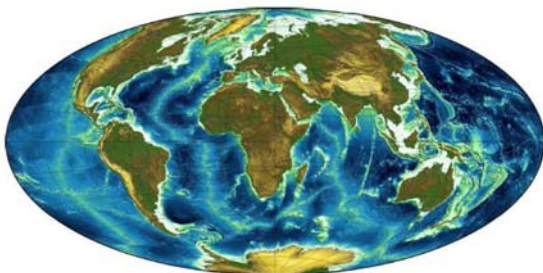
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1982 GEBCO (GEneral Bathymetric Chart of the Oceans) published the first bathymetric data (resolution ~1.85 km)

2010 published GEBCO 30 arc-second (resolution ~926 m)



1997 Smith and Sandwell: Global sea floor topography from satellite altimetry and ship depth soundings. The data on shallow water need to be corrected before using (Smith & Sandwell, 2006)

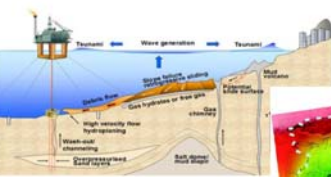


Why do we need bottom topography surveys?

1. Risk
 - submarine landslide generated tsunami
 - tsunami propagation/run up model
 - applications as diverse as tsunami hazard assessment
2. Resources
 - communications cable and pipeline route planning
 - resource exploration
 - habitat management
 - territorial claims under the Law of the Sea
3. Climate changes
 - methane hydrate

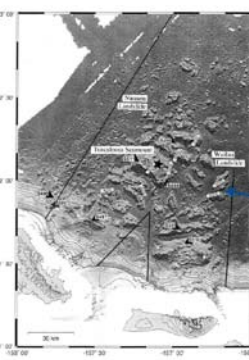
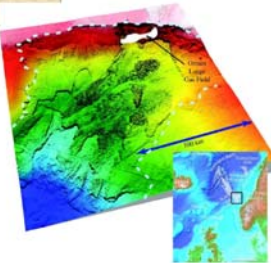
Characteristics of known submarine landslides (Hampton et al., 1996).

Location	Slip Distance, km	Runout Length, km	Height, m	Slip Rate	Volume, m ³	Reference
Grand Banks	3.5	110	365	0.0033	7.6 × 10 ¹⁰	Prior and Coleman [1979]
Hawaii	6.0	180	2000	0.0125		Prior and Coleman [1979]
Kohappes	2.5	11	50	0.0045	8 × 10 ¹⁰	Prior and Coleman [1979]
Bay of Biscay	2.1	21	250	0.0012		Prior and Coleman [1979]
Rockall	2.0	180	330	0.0021	3 × 10 ¹¹	Prior and Coleman [1979]
Bosman	6.0	37	360	0.0073		Prior and Coleman [1979]
Agulhas	106	375	0.00154			Prior and Coleman [1979]
Copper River delta	1.0	18	113	0.00639		Prior and Coleman [1979]
Albatross Bank	7.0	5.3	300	0.0566		Prior and Coleman [1979]
Forlick Bank	4.0	6.5	200	0.03077		Prior and Coleman [1979]
Kayak Trough	1.0	15	115	0.00767		Prior and Coleman [1979]
Atlantic Coast	3.8	3.4	30	0.00692		Prior and Coleman [1979]
	5.7	4.8	80	0.01667		Prior and Coleman [1979]
	6.8	2.3	18	0.00783		Prior and Coleman [1979]
Maghelana	2.0	24	1400	0.05333	3 × 10 ¹⁰	Prior and Coleman [1979]
Valdez	6.0	1.28	168	0.13125	7.5 × 10 ¹⁰	Edgers and Karstad [1982]
Mississippi River delta	0.5	70	20		4 × 10 ¹⁰	Edgers and Karstad [1982]
Serra	3.0		100		1.5 × 10 ¹⁰	Edgers and Karstad [1982]
Saguenay Wan	11.0		70		7 × 10 ¹⁰	Edgers and Karstad [1982]
Scripps Canyon	7.0		6		5 × 10 ¹⁰	Edgers and Karstad [1982]
Orkney Shelf		77.5	500	0.022	2.5 × 10 ¹⁰	Edgers and Karstad [1982]
Sandvegneset	1.2	180	0.15		5 × 10 ¹⁰	Edgers and Karstad [1982]
Sakhalin		120	0.048		5 × 10 ¹⁰	Edgers and Karstad [1982]
Hokkaido		0.4	11	0.0029	6 × 10 ¹⁰	Edgers and Karstad [1982]
Storegga	190	1300	0.01063		8 × 10 ¹¹	Edgers and Karstad [1982]
Typical Atlantic Ocean	4.0	4	1200	0.3		Doeh et al. [1993]
Cape Fear	4.2	30	700	0.0233		Pagano et al. [1993]
Blake Escarpment	8.0	42	3000	0.00557	6 × 10 ¹¹	Dillon et al. [1993]
East Break East	1.5	70	1150	0.01643	1.3 × 10 ¹¹	McGregor et al. [1993]
East Break West	1.5	180	1100	0.01	1.6 × 10 ¹¹	McGregor et al. [1993]
Nevarit Canyon	3.0	6	175	0.02917	5 × 10 ¹⁰	Carlson et al. [1993]
Seward	21.0	3	200	0.0667	2.7 × 10 ¹⁰	Hansen et al. [1993]
Obok	1.3	7	20	0.01		Schmidt and Law [1993]
Sar	0.5	70	750	0.0107	1 × 10 ¹⁰	Gaillardet and Normark [1993]
Santa Barbara	4.8	2.3	120	0.05217	2 × 10 ¹⁰	Edwards et al. [1993]
Alba-2		95	4000	0.00553	3 × 10 ¹¹	Normark et al. [1993]
Norfolk	230	3000	0.02129	3 × 10 ¹¹	Normark et al. [1993]	
Tristan de Cunha	30	3750	0.075	1.5 × 10 ¹¹	Hutchins and Searle [1991]	

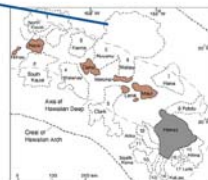


1. Risks

- Submarine landslide generated tsunamis
- No warning
- No prediction



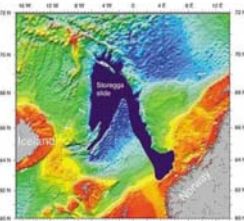
Recorded giant submarine landslide
The Nuanuan landslides (Normark et al., 1993).
- caused by the collapse of Koolau Volcano on Oahu in Hawaii ~1.5 myr. ago
- the slide volume was 1,500 km³
- extends more than 230 km from the island.
- no tsunami records



Herrero-Bervera et al. (2002)

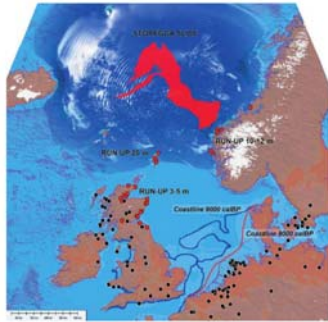
Recorded submarine landslides generated mega-tsunami (the storegga slide)

- caused by the rush of sand and mud off Norway coast ~6,000-8,000 yr. ago
- slide length ~1,500 km down a slightly sloped seafloor, with an initial burst of speed ~70 km/h.
- the estimated minimum volume of slide displacement was 2,400 km³ and the maximum was 3,200 km³ (Haflidason et al., 2004)
- the mass slid around 800 km into the deep sea.



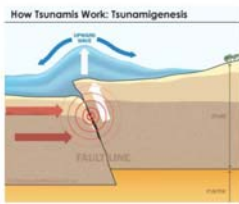
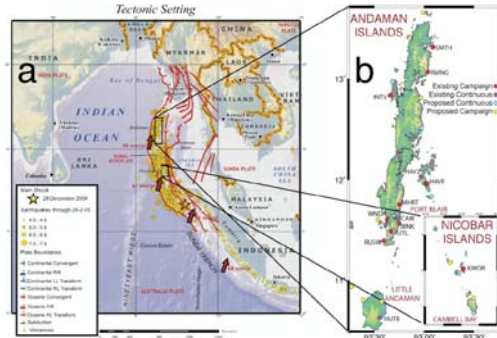
The storega landslides generated mega-tsunami

- tsunami reached a height of 25 m in Scotland and along the coasts of Iceland, Norway, the Faroe Islands and Shetland (Bondevik et al., 2003).

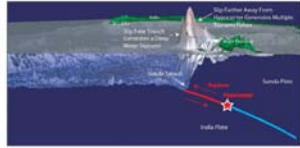


Sumatra-Andaman earthquake & aftershocks and major fault structures (USGS, 2005)

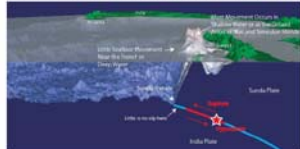
- Almost no bathymetric data available in the Andaman Sea



2004 Sumatra-Andaman Earthquake (M=9.2)



2005 Northern Sumatra Earthquake (M=8.6)

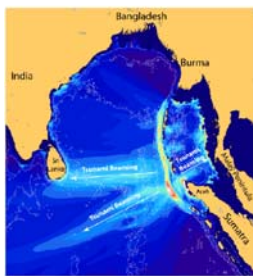
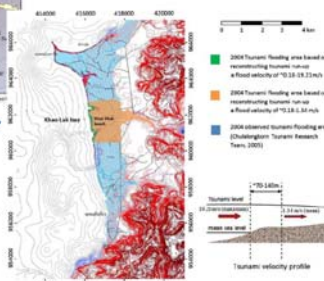


the initial tsunamis generated from 2004 & 2005 (USGS, 2005)

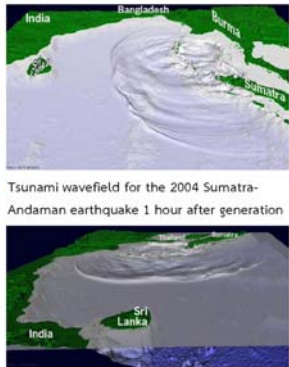


Areas affected by the 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami (USGS, 2005)

The 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami hazard map for Khao Lak bay assessed from field surveys and reconstructed tsunami run-up from tsunami deposit characteristics (Srisutam & Wagner, 2010)

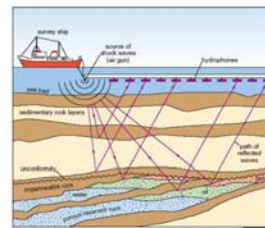


Tsunami beaming pattern associated with the 2004 Sumatra-Andaman earthquake. Lighter colors represent higher open-ocean tsunami amplitudes



Tsunami wavefield for the 2004 Sumatra-Andaman earthquake 1 hour after generation

2. Resources –Natural gas & petroleum



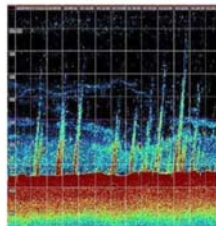
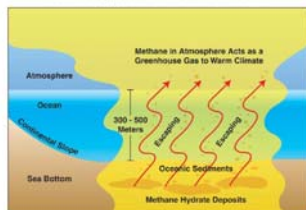
Air gun seismics & streamer

- Natural oil & gas complex
- Communications cable and pipeline route planning
- Resource exploration



Methane Explosion Warmed Prehistoric Earth

- 3. Climate changes**
- Methane hydrate
 - Global warming



What mapping techniques are available?

- Bathymetry mapping (Single beam/Multibeam echosounding)
- Sediment echosounder
- Sidescan sonar
- 2D/3D reflection-seismics with different resolutions
- Refraction-seismics (Ocean Bottom Seismometer/Hydrophone; OBS/OBH)
- Deep-towed acoustics (AUVs, ROVs)

Single beam & multibeam sounding

- Bathymetry (Single beam/Multibeam sounding)
- Sediment echosounding

Side scan sonar

Sediment echo sounding

2D/3D Seismics

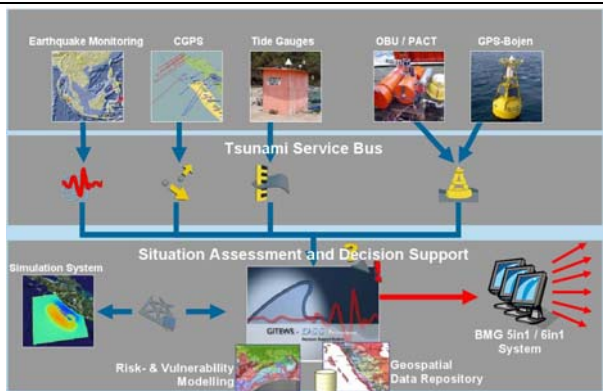
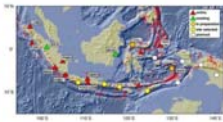
- Deep-towed acoustics (AUVs, ROVs)

Camera and Lighting for ROV dives

- Coloured LEDs
- HD Lamp
- Ship wide angle & zoom video cameras on pan & tilt unit
- Digital still camera
- Auxiliary wide-angle camera

Configuration at sea

Tsunami early warning system



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Measured bathymetry in the Andaman Sea

- Central basin (Raju et al., 2004)
- NW Sumatra (Krabbenhoft et al., 2010)
- No bathymetric data in Thai EEZ (an area ~36,000 km² below 500 m water depth)
- No position of faults in the sea; Shan scarp, Mergui, Ranong & Klong Marui Faults

Legend:

- Ridge
- Study area
- Full-apert extension
- Relative movement
- Fault
- Multi-valence

Morphology of the Andaman outer shelf and upper slope of the Thai exclusive economic zone

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Mergui slope ~4.5°

Landslide can occur at slope steepness 1° (Hampton et al., 1996)

Objectives

- To determine the morphology of the western slope of Mergui Ridge as basis for further investigations
- To identify prominent features

Research vessel

R.V. Chakratong Tongyai. (PMBC)

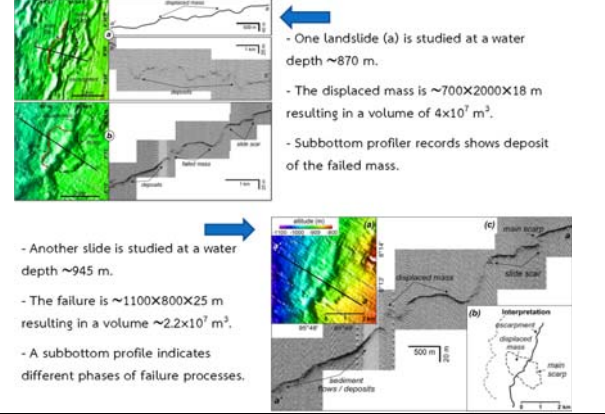
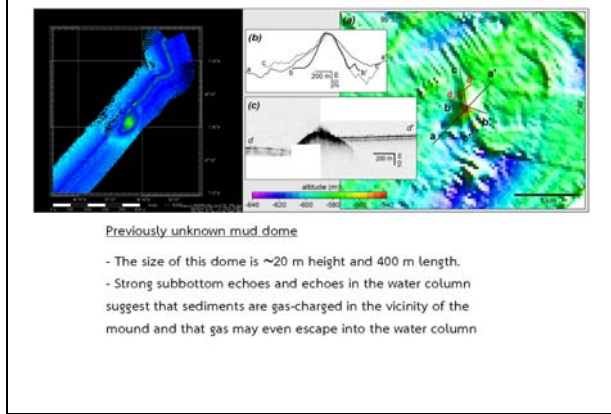
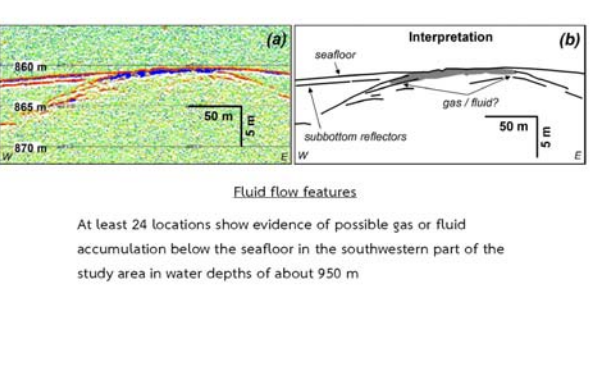
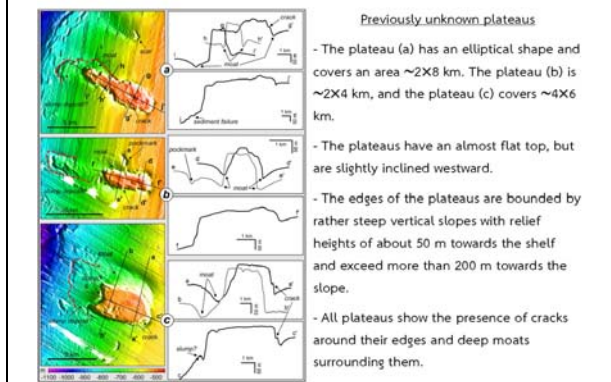
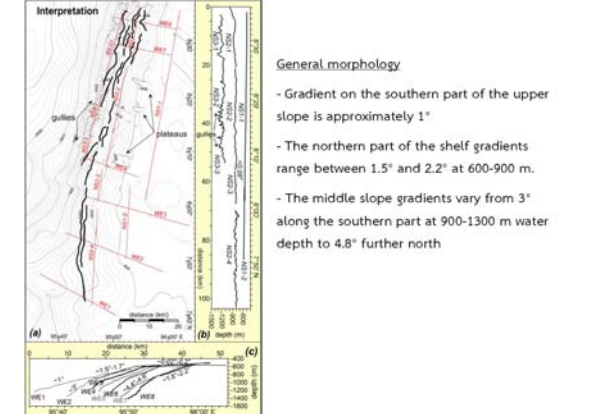
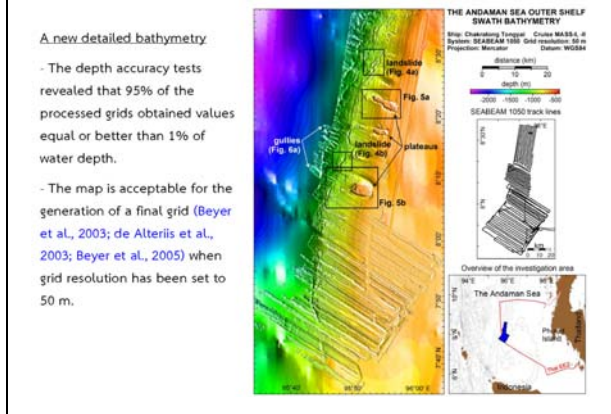
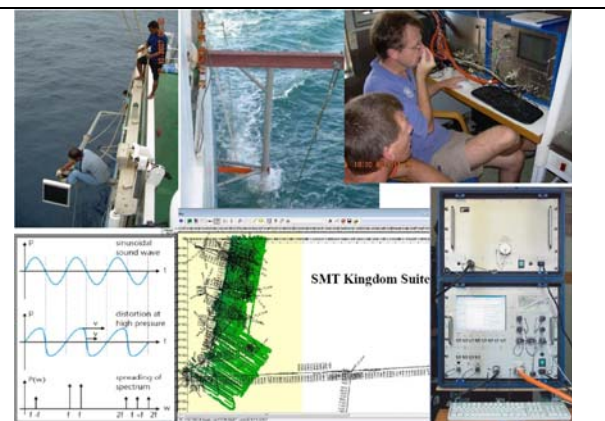
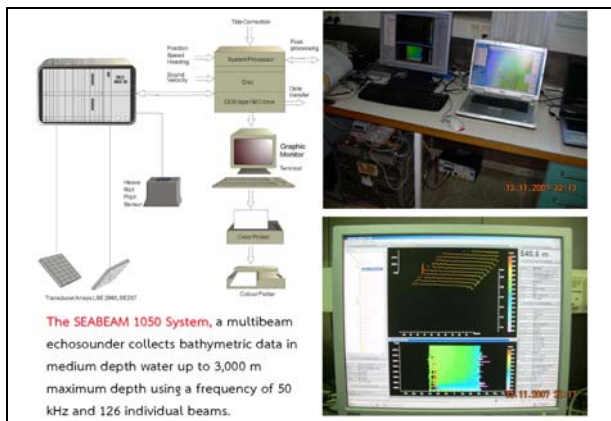
Field surveys

- 1st cruise: 20 November-6 December 2006
- 2nd cruise: 6-15 November 2007
- 3rd cruise: 7-27 January 2011

- A subbottom profiler pole was constructed and mounted at starboard side of the vessel.

- A multibeam transducer pole was constructed and mounted at the port side.





Mapping the seafloor

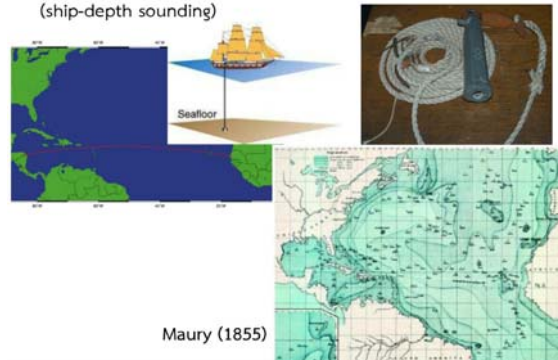
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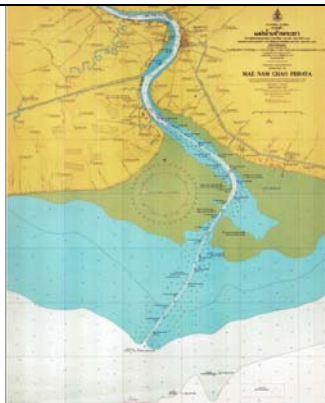
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18th century First bathymetric measurements with plumbs
(ship-depth sounding)



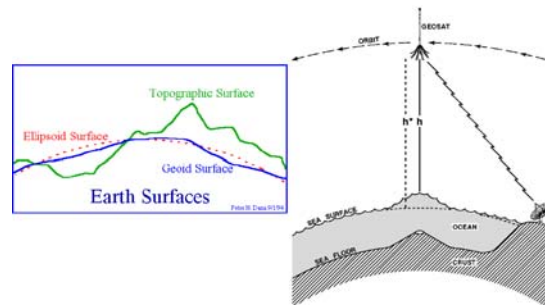
Maury (1855)



Ship-depth sounding map
(Navigation charts; NC)

- Measure a wire angular to calculate actual depth
- Tide compensates to MSL
- Map projection
- Datum Indian1975/WGS84

Bathymetry from space



Specific netCDF data format

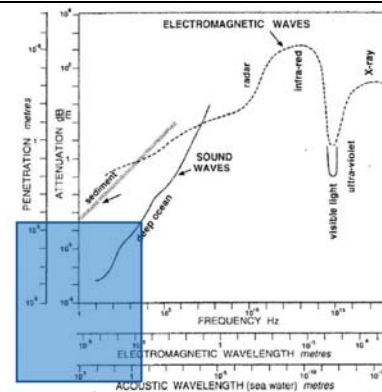
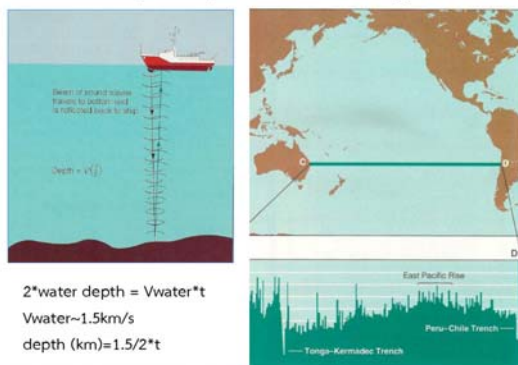


How can we read the GDA data ?

netCDF (network Common Data Form) is a set of software libraries and self-describing, machine-independent data formats that support the creation, access, and sharing of array-oriented scientific data.

C++, Fortran, Perl, MATLAB, Octave, Python, **GMT**

Concept of single beam echo-sounding



Attenuation of electromagnetic and sound waves in seawater (after Wille, 1986).

What opening angle should we use ?

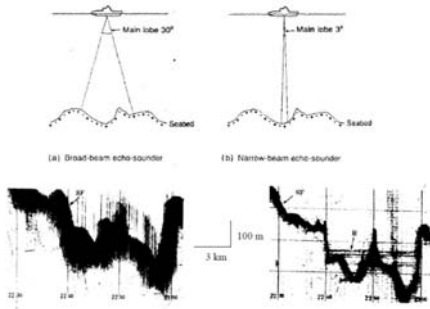
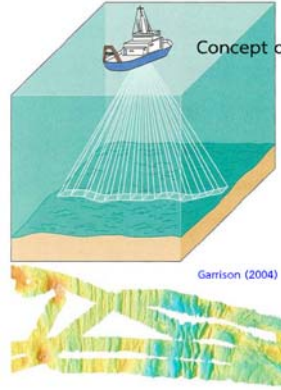


Figure 3.19 (a) and (b) Beam patterns of common and wide beam echosounders, (c) and (d) Echosounder profiles recorded simultaneously across Adigea Ridge in the central East Sea on wide beam (30°) and narrow beam (3°) echosounders. The narrow beam echosounder provides higher accuracy definition of the sea floor and reveals a reflecting zone 40° within the water column which marks the top of a low beam layer associated with hydrothermal activity (reproduced from Fisher et al., Copyright 1996, with permission from Elsevier Science).

Concept of multibeam beam echo-sounding (Sea beam)



Multi-beam echosounder are using a swath of beams giving off-track-depth

Garrison (2004)



How do they work ?

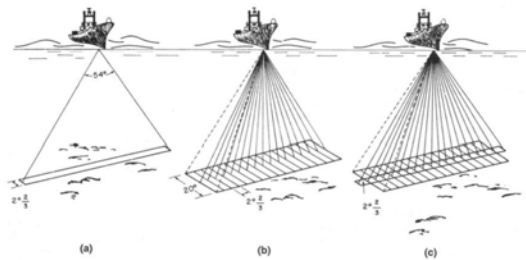
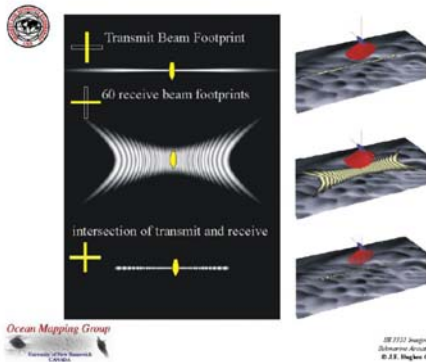
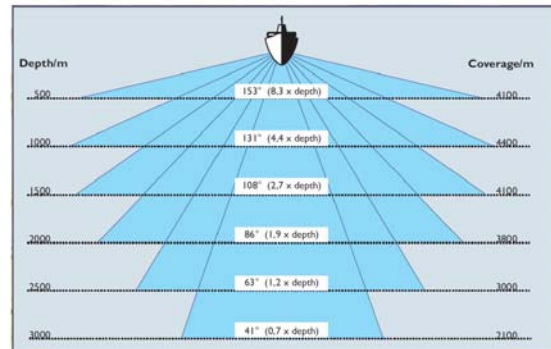


Figure 3.21 Principle of Seabeam swath-mapping system, manufactured by General Instruments Inc., USA. (a) Total area of sea floor insonified by transmission pulse. (b) Area of sea floor covered by receiving hydrophones. Signals are received from 16 rectangular zones. (c) Combination of (a) and (b), showing the received acoustic energy coming from 16 square zones on the sea floor (from Renard and Allison, 1979). Reproduced by permission of the International Hydrographic Bureau.



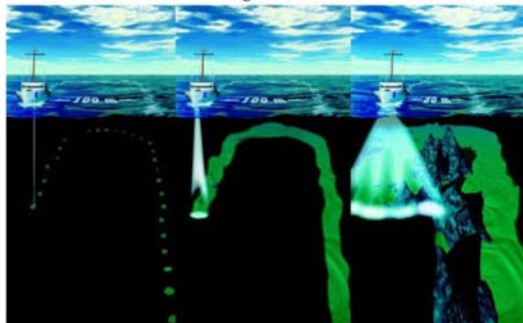
Ocean Mapping Group

SEI 3123 Acoustic Mapping 2, 2006

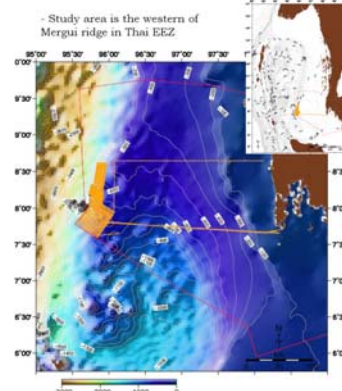


Bottom Coverage by Survey Method

Leadline Single Beam Multibeam



- Study area is the western of Mergui ridge in Thai EEZ



Objectives

- To determine the morphology of the western slope of Mergui Ridge as basis for further investigations
- To identify prominent features
- To determine tectonic setting in the area

Field surveys

- 1st-cruise : 20 November-6 December 2006
- 2nd-cruise : 6-15 November 2007


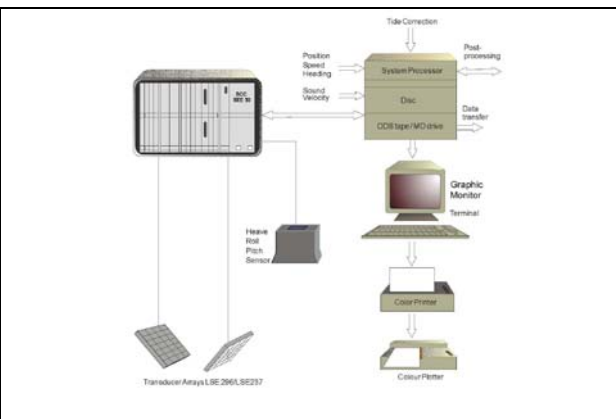
Research vessel

R.V. Chakratong Tongyai. (PMBC)

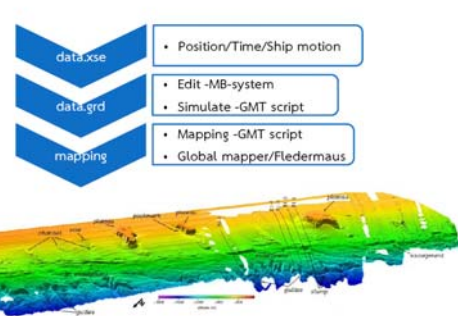


SEABEAM 1050

- 3000 m depth performance
- frequency 50 kHz
- number of Beams max. 126
- beam Width 153°
- power Supply 115 /230V AC, user selectable
- integrated side scan view
- realtime motion compensation
- Windows 2000/XP or UNIX/LINUX
- portable and easy to install
- survey speed up to 16 kn for continuous seafloor coverage

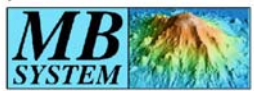
How to process bathymetric data



- data.xse
 - Position/Time/Ship motion
- data.grd
 - Edit -MB-system
 - Simulate -GMT script
- mapping
 - Mapping -GMT script
 - Global mapper/Fledermaus

Multibeam Processing

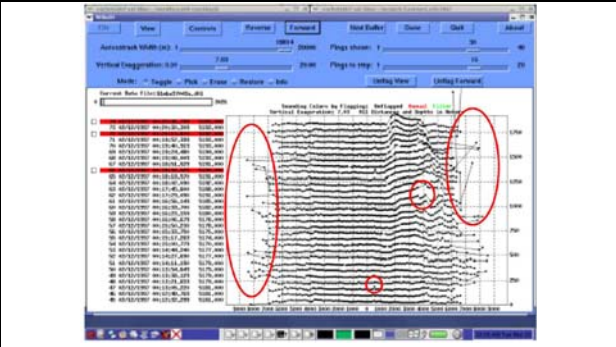
- 1) Professional (expensive) Software:
 - System independent software: i.e. Caris, Carabos, ...
 - Software delivered with system: i.e. Kongsberg, SaaBeam, Reson, Atlas Hydrographic, ...
- 2) Free software:
 - MultiBeam System



The MB-System™ Cookbook
 Val Schmidt, Columbia University
 Dale Chayes, Columbia University
 Dave Cress, Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute
<http://www.ldeo.columbia.edu/MB-System/MB-System.intro.html>

Processing strategy

- Organize your data in useful surveys (covered area, data size)
- Check the raw data to get an overview about area coverage and quality of depth data, navigation data, metadata (roll, pitch, heave)
 - ⇒ plot data, look statistics
- Process Navigation data (smoothing)
- If necessary (and possible), recalculate depth data with better VSP
- Automatic data processing (filter)
- Interactive depth data processing
- Grid and display data



THE GENERIC MAPPING TOOLS

What is GMT?

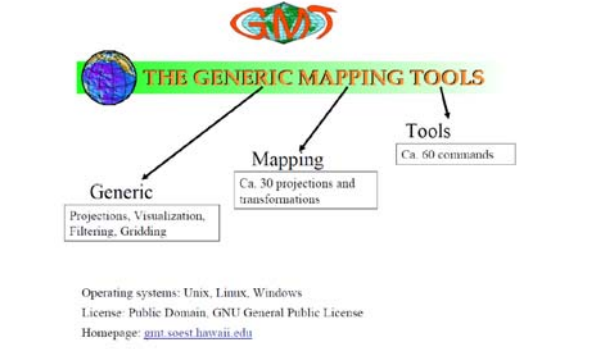
GMT is an open source collection of 45 tools for manipulating geographic and Cartesian data sets (including filtering, trend fitting, gridding, projecting, etc.) and producing Encapsulated PostScript File (EPS) illustrations ranging from simple 1-2 plots to complex maps to cartographically illuminated surfaces and 3-D perspective views. The GMT application adds another 70 more specialized tools. GMT supports over 30 map projections and transformations and comes with support data such as USGS 1:250,000 contour, river, and political boundaries. GMT is developed and maintained by Paul Wessel and Walter D. B. Smith with help from a global set of volunteers, and is supported by the National Science Foundation. It is released under the GNU General Public License.

Current version is 4.2.0, Released April 1, 2012. Consider visiting the GMT 2.0 site.



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Installations for Windows

-Download von: <ftp://ftp.geog.uit.no/pub/gmt/windows> or https://ftp.ifm-geomar.de/users/skrastel/submarine_mapping/

- GMT_basic_install.exe (GMT-commands)
- GSHHS_highfull_install.exe (high-res coastlines)
- GMT_pdf_install.exe (PDF-documentation)
- Ghostview (Visualization of postscript)

Install all files

- Configure `gmtfolder/share/conf/gmt.conf`



Programs

Plotting
 grdcontour
 grdimage
 grdvector
 grdview
 psbasemap
 psclip
 pscoast
 pscontour
 ps histogram
 psimage
 pslegend
 psmask
 psrose
 psscale
 psxtext
 psyiggle
 psxy
 psxyz

Filtering
 blockmean
 blockmedian
 blockmode
 filter1d
 gridfilter

Trends
 fitcircle
 gridtrend
 trend1d
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Coverison / Extracting
 gmt2rgb
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 gmtselect
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Information
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Gridfiles
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Important Parameters

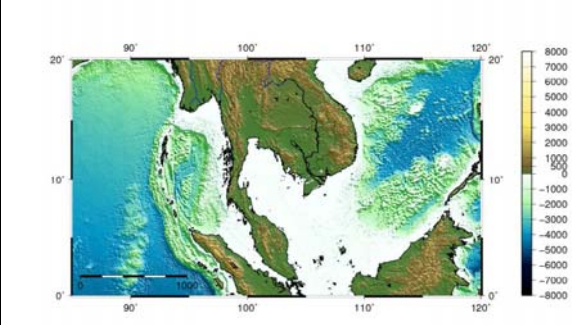
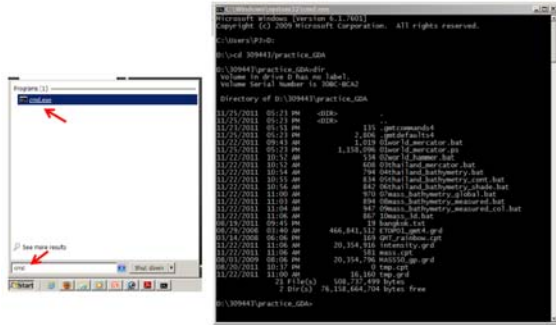
- J → Projectio / Scale
- R → Area/ Map area
- B → Frame annotations
- V → Verbose-Mode
- O → Not the first command line of multiple postscript outputs
- K → Not the last command line of multiple postscript outputs

Note!! A space is needed between individual parameters but no space when setting a specific parameter. Upper and lower case letters do have different meanings !!

How does GMT work?

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REM This script was prepared by Prof. Sebastian Krastel (IFM-GEOMAR)
REM for MARS workshop at Bangkok on 2011
REM
REM Every comment line needs to start with REM
REM
REM gmtset will adjust individual GMT defaults settings
gmtset DIGITS_FORMAT 3
gmtset FRAME_HEIGHT 0.10
gmtset COLOR_MAP 255/255/255
gmtset MEASURE_UNIT cm
gmtset PAPER_MEDIA A4
gmtset PAGE_ORIENTATION landscape
REM -----
REM Setting parameters. You can set the parameters here.
REM If you want to use the parameters in the command-lines,
REM you need to embed the parameters in itracetrack (see below)
set PROJCS=-180/180/-70/70
set PROJUNIT=
set SCALE=25
set OGT=01world_mercator.ps
REM -----
REM Now we can list our gmt-programs
pscoast -JPROJCS=SCALE -RREGION=D1 -Wwhite -I1/1/blue -M1 -V-K -O >OUT1
psbasemap -JPROJCS=SCALE -RREGION=D1 -W25220 -O >OUT2
  
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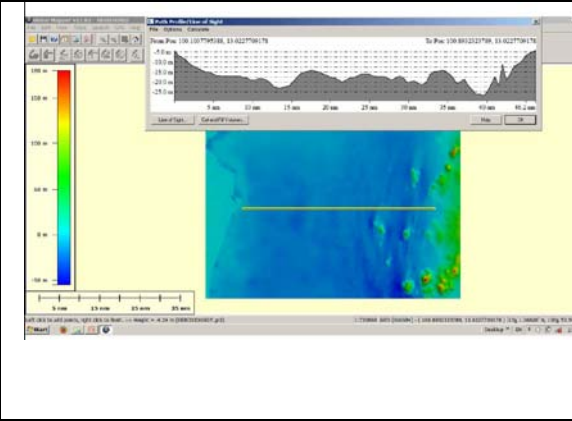
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Products > Fledermaus Professional



Fledermaus Professional is a powerful 3D data visualization system that uses the same core technologies as [Fledermaus Standard](#), plus adds a sophisticated Area Based Editing module, cable and route planning, and real-time tracking of objects. Fledermaus Professional is used in a variety of applications such as swath bathymetry editing and quality control, marine construction, military applications, and coastal zone mapping.

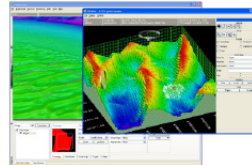
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A wide variety of industry standard formats are supported for direct import of data to the 3D scene, and Fledermaus also allows data from remotely operated vehicles, ships or other entities, to be visualized in real-time. Due to its flexible object oriented software design, Fledermaus can be easily tailored to support many additional visualization modules.

If you would like more information on Fledermaus, the full [documentation](#) is available online. A free viewer for Fledermaus files named [iView3D](#) is also available.

Features

- Contains all of the functionality of the [Fledermaus Standard](#) visualization package.
- Adds a powerful Area Based Editing module for processing data from a wide variety of multibeam, single beam, Lidar, or other data formats.
- Support for CUBE based statistical based processing with support for uncertainty surfaces, error modeling, and multiple hypothesis editing, QC, and analysis.
- Track the position of remotely operated vehicles, AUVs, or other vehicles and visualize the object in real-time in a 3D scene.
- Plan routes for pipelines or cables with the Routeplanner application.
- Perform sophisticated statistically analysis of multibeam surveys to ensure data quality control.



Screenshot of Fledermaus Professional

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