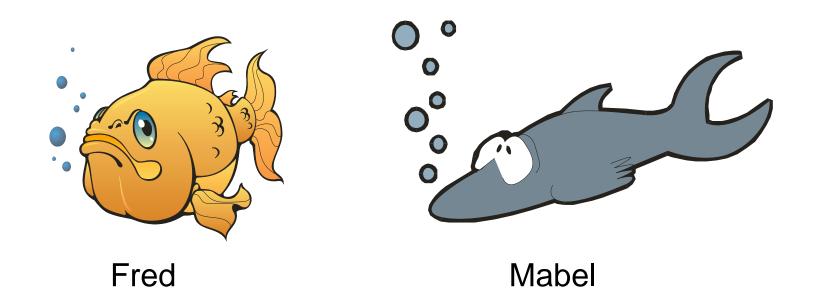
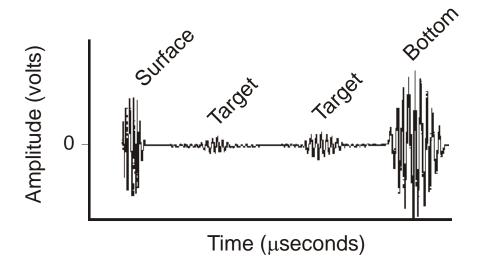
Acoustic Target Classification



John Horne, University of Washington

Acoustic Measurements



Measure: amplitude f(frequency), elapsed time (everything else derived)

How do you Discriminate, Classify, and Identify targets?

D (wanted from unwanted), C categorize, I label

Acoustic Target Classification Decisions and Approaches

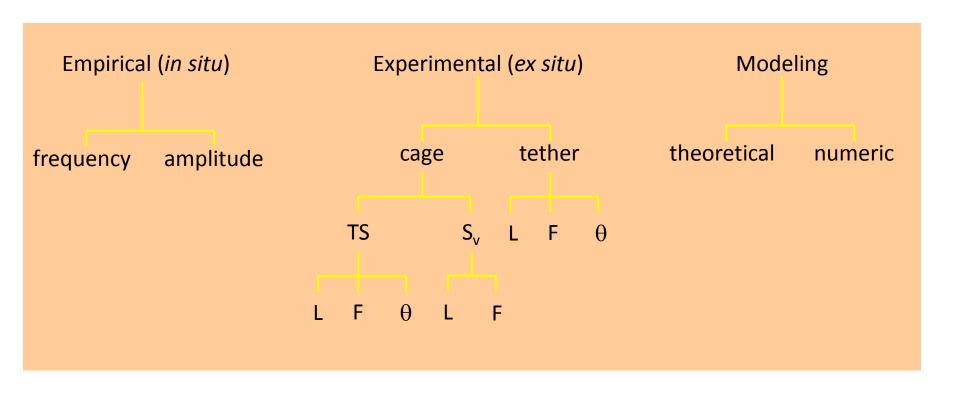
Decisions:

- 1. Empirical, Experimental, Modeling
- 2. Scattering Region: Resonance, Geometric
- 3. Discrete Single or Multi Frequency, Wideband
- 4. Single Target, Ensemble Backscatter

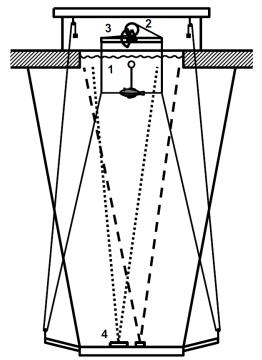
Approaches:

- 1. Prior Knowledge and Direct Sampling
- 2. Statistical Comparisons
- 3. Matching Models to Measures

Acoustic Classification Org Chart

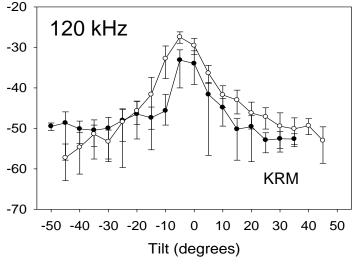


Ex Situ Target Strength Measurements

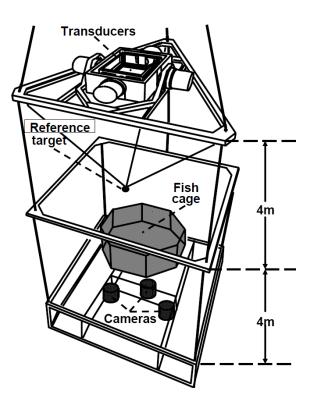


Nakken & Olsen 1977

species, length, frequency, tilt



Henderson & Horne 2007



Edwards & Armstrong 1983

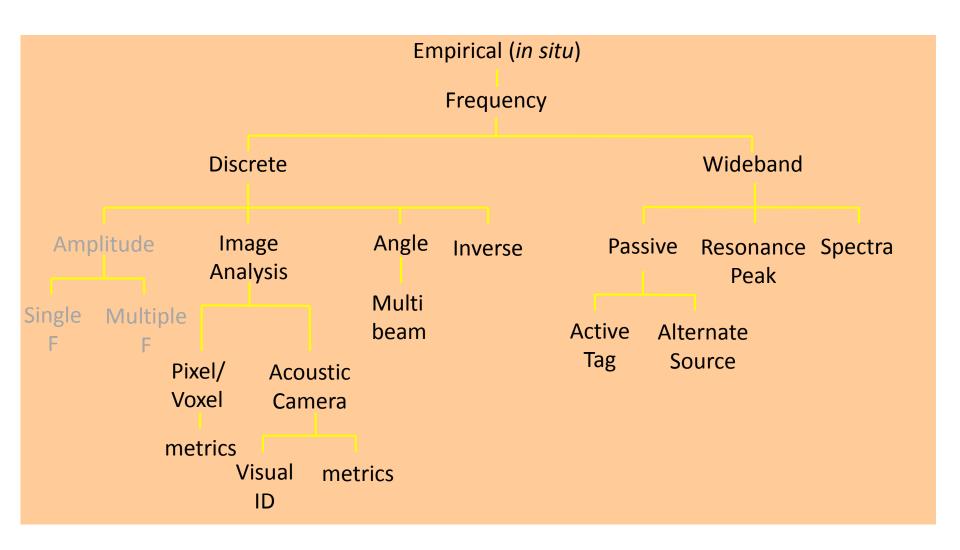
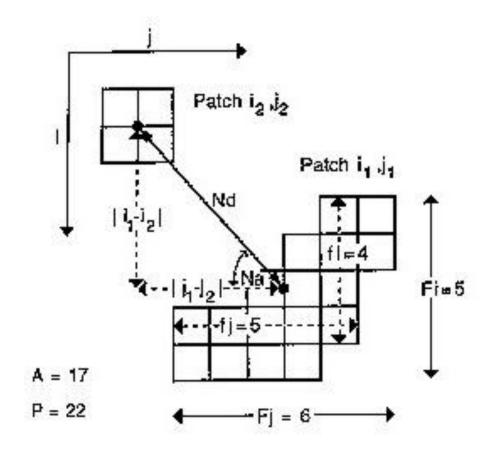
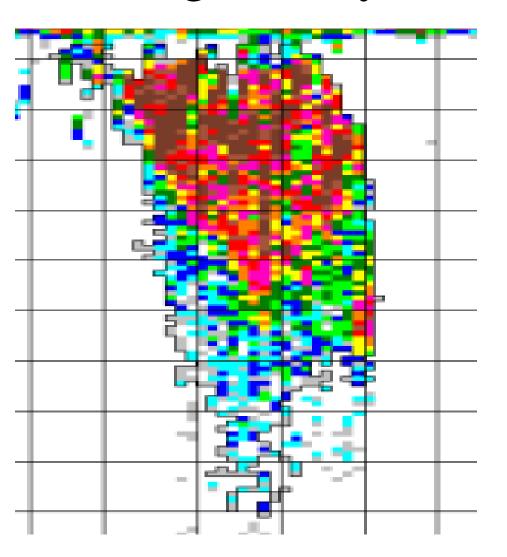


Image Analysis: Digital Echogram Metrics



- Goal: classify patches relative to environment
- tabulate patch metrics
- linear discriminant functions

Image Analysis: Shapes algorithm



Mean Sv: -29.83 Mean sa: 1044311.18 Mean height: 23.30 Mean depth: 26.71

Max Sy threshold applied: no Min Sy threshold applied: yes

Max Sv: -15.40 Min Sv: -56.00

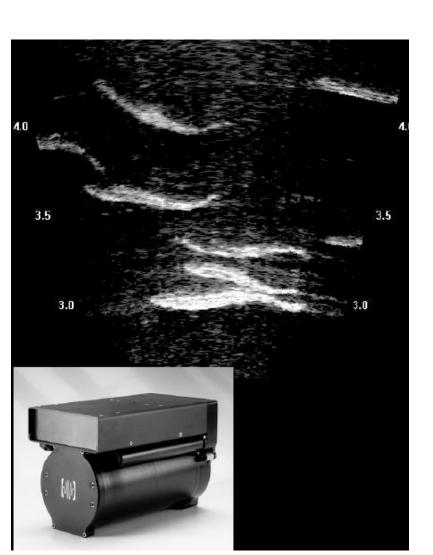
Mean noise Sv: -945.58 Mean noise sa: 0.00

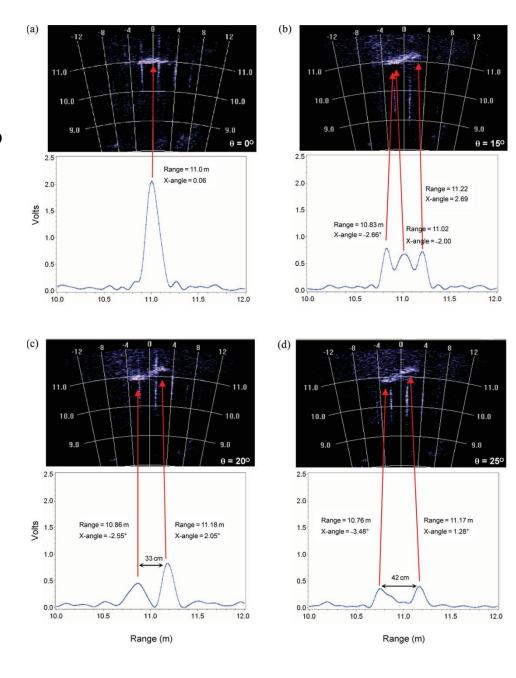
Mean bottom depth: 0.00 Number of samples: 1491

Number of pings: 32

- schools module in Echoview

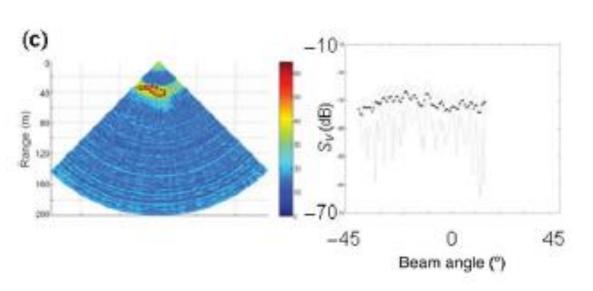
DIDSON/ARIS: Visual ID, Metrics





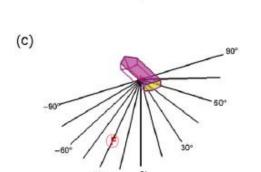
Burwen et al. 2007

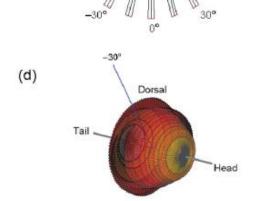
Multibeam Target Strengths



Empirical measures



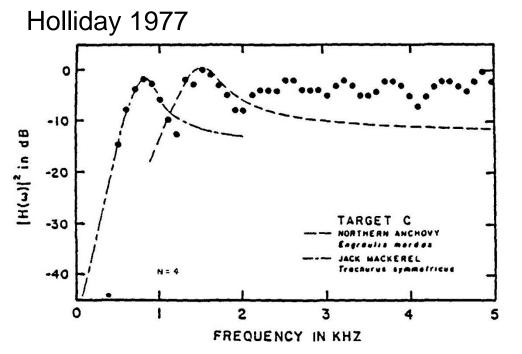




Cutter & Demer 2007

Inverse Approach

Multifrequency Measures+Inverse Algorithm+Backscatter Models



Species/Size Class Resonance Peaks

Inverse algorithm

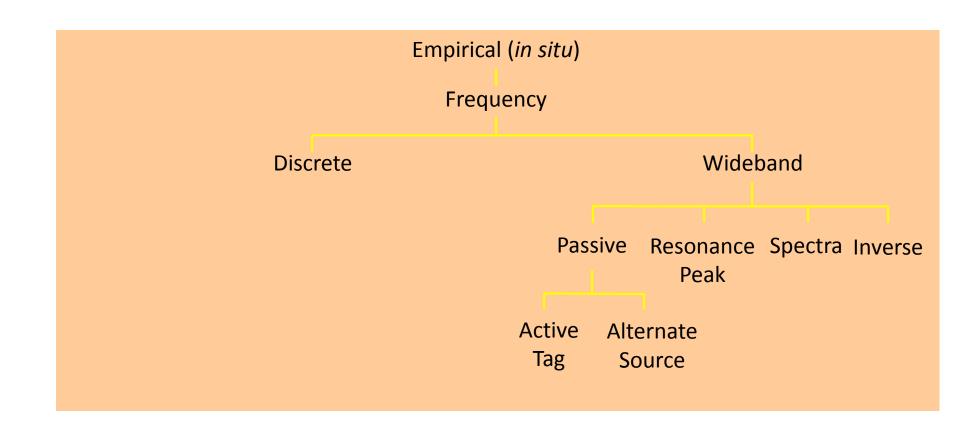
$$S_1 = \sigma_{11}n_1 + \sigma_{12}n_2 + \sigma_{13}n_3$$

$$S_2 = \sigma_{21}n_1 + \sigma_{22}n_2 + \sigma_{23}n_3$$

$$S_3 = \sigma_{31}n_1 + \sigma_{32}n_2 + \sigma_{33}n_3$$

where S_i is backscatter vector at frequency i, σ_{ij} is backscatter at frequency i and species/size class j, and ni is number of organisms at frequency i

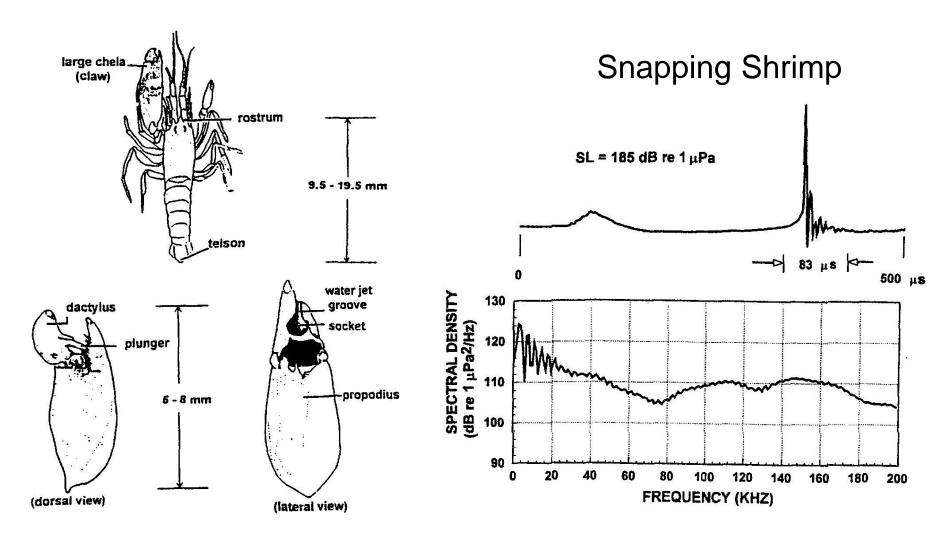
Critical needs: accurate scattering model, unique σ_{bs} for each species/size class



Passive Acoustics: Hydrophones

- 1. Crustaceans (e.g. snapping shrimp)
- 2. Teleost fish with swimbladders (e.g. weak, red drum)
- 3. Marine mammals (e.g. whales, dolphins)

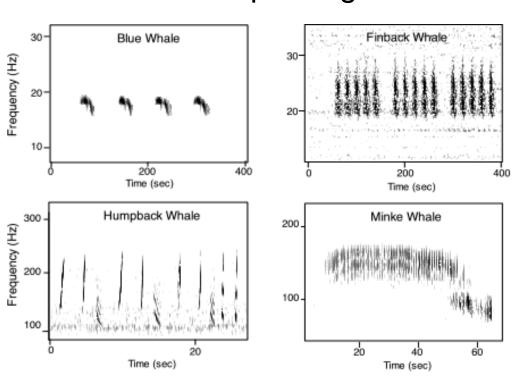
Passive Acoustics: Invertebrates



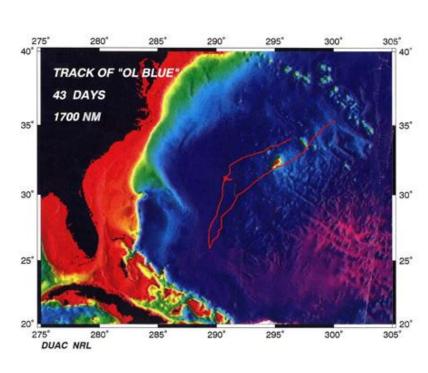
Au & Banks 1998

Passive Acoustics: Whale Tracking

Whale Spectrograms

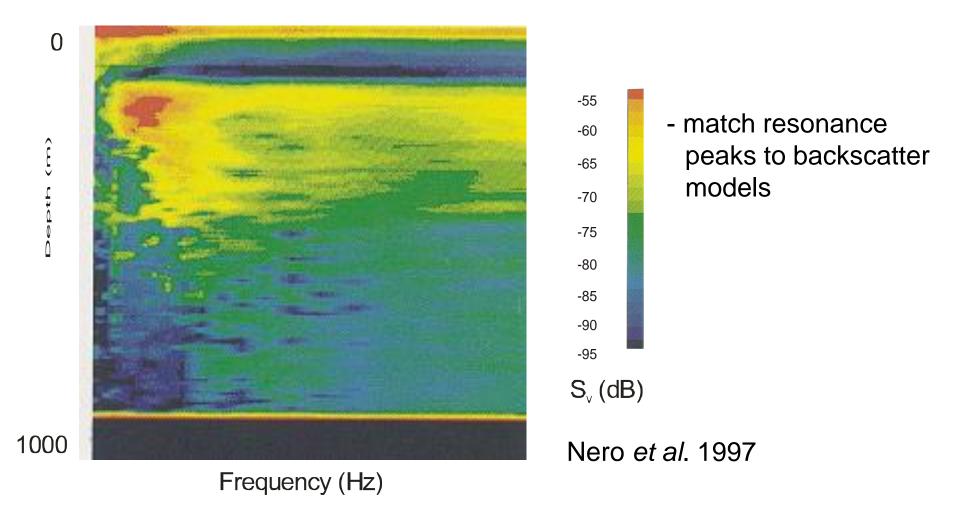


IUSS Whale Track



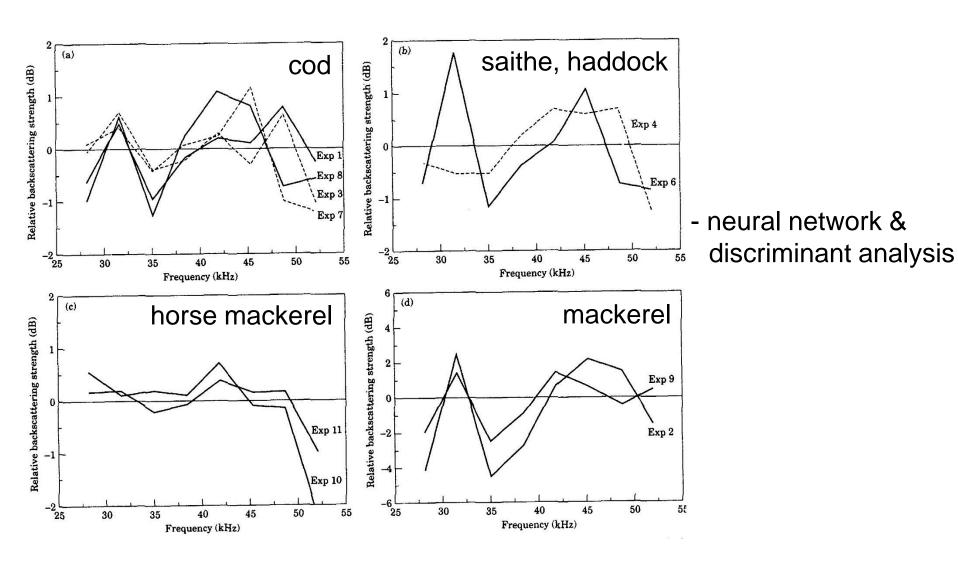
C. Clark, Cornell Univ

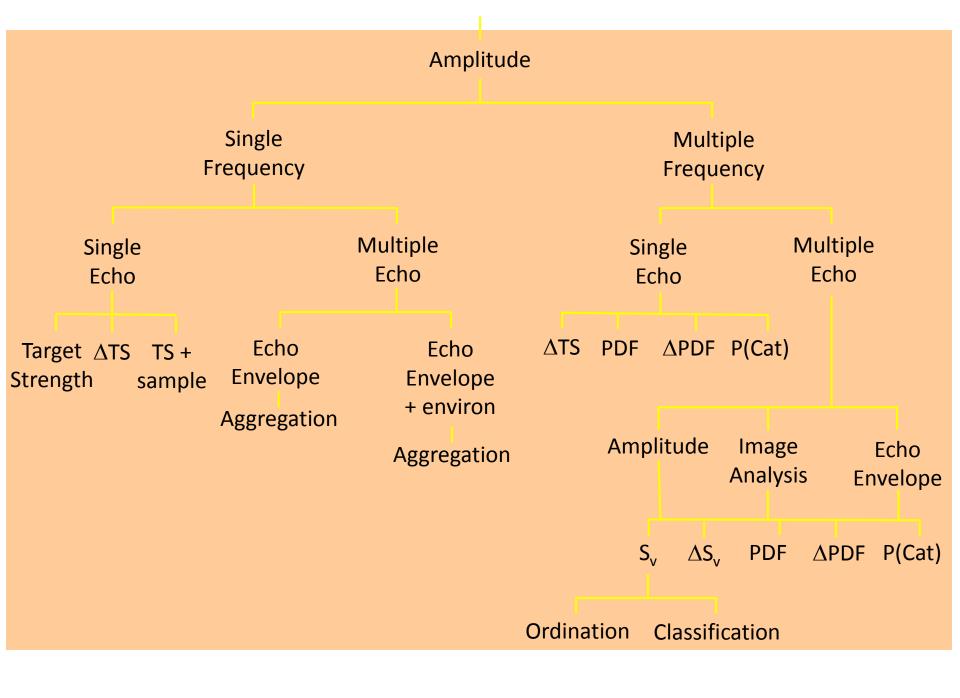
Resonance Peak Measures



Current contributions from Stanton, Lavery, Jech

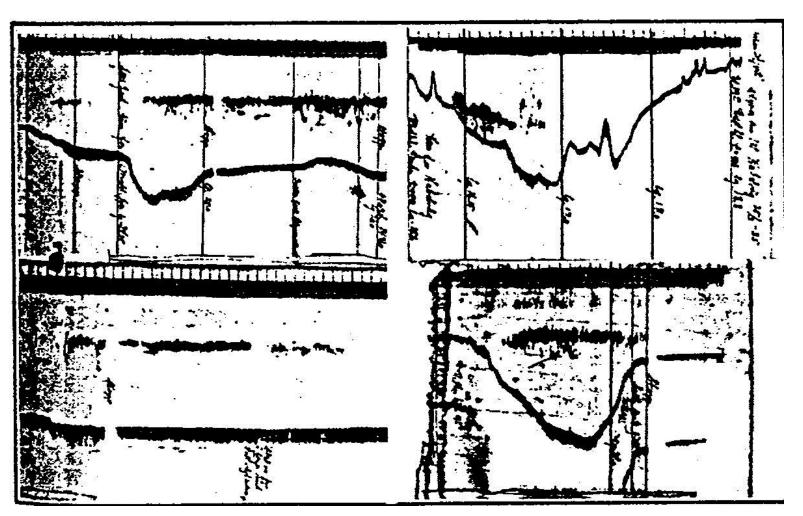
Wideband Frequency Spectra



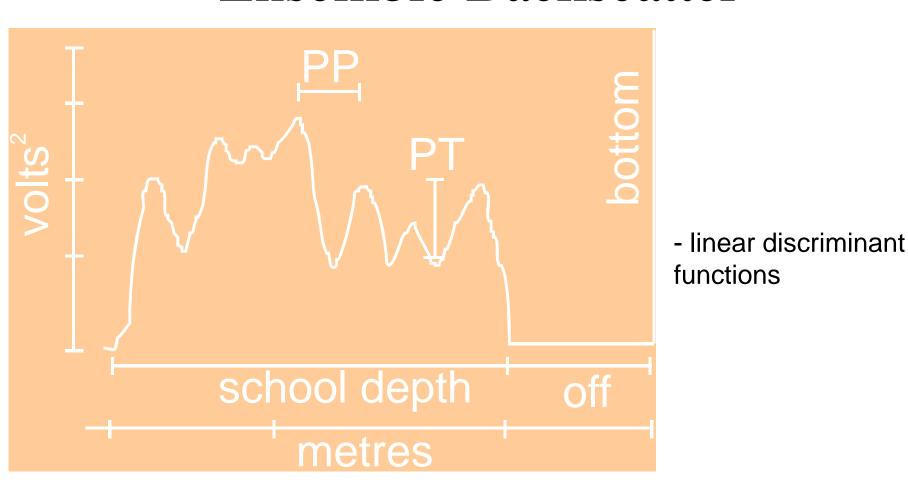


Target Strength & Direct Sampling

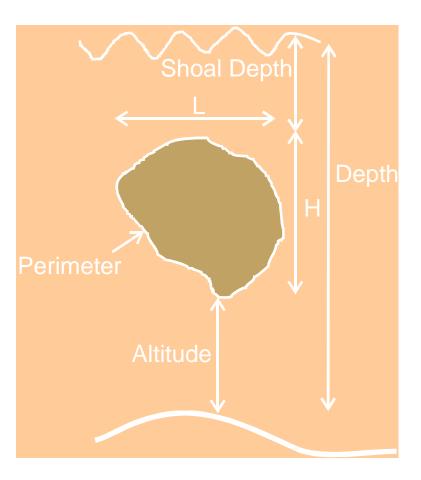
Combine biological knowledge, net samples, and echogram patterns



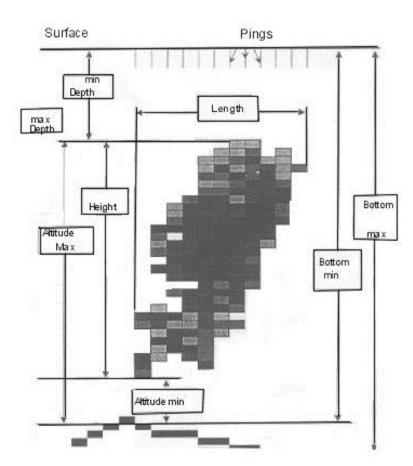
Echo Envelope Metrics Ensemble Backscatter



Single f, Echo Envelope, + Enviro



- discriminant functions & PCA

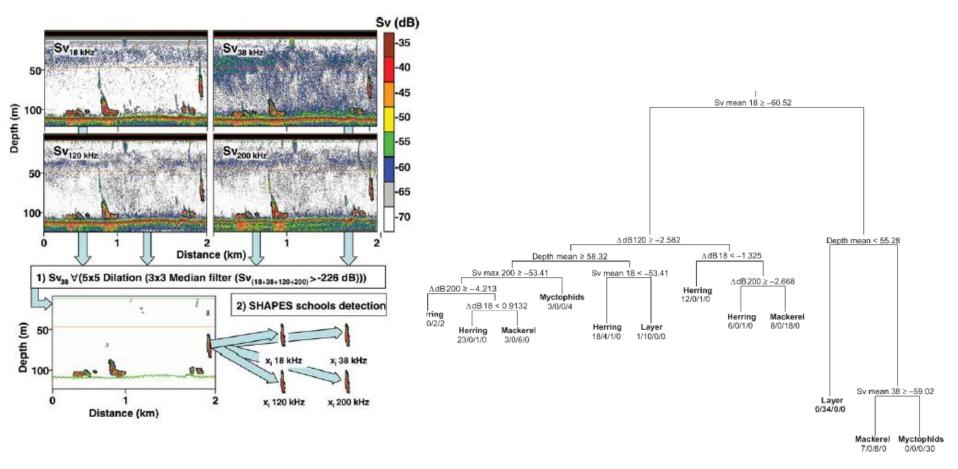


discriminant functions & neural networks

Scalabrin et al. 1994

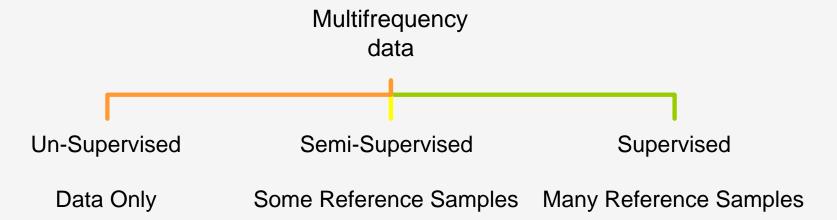
Haralabous & Georgakarakos 1996

Multifrequency Classification & Regression Trees

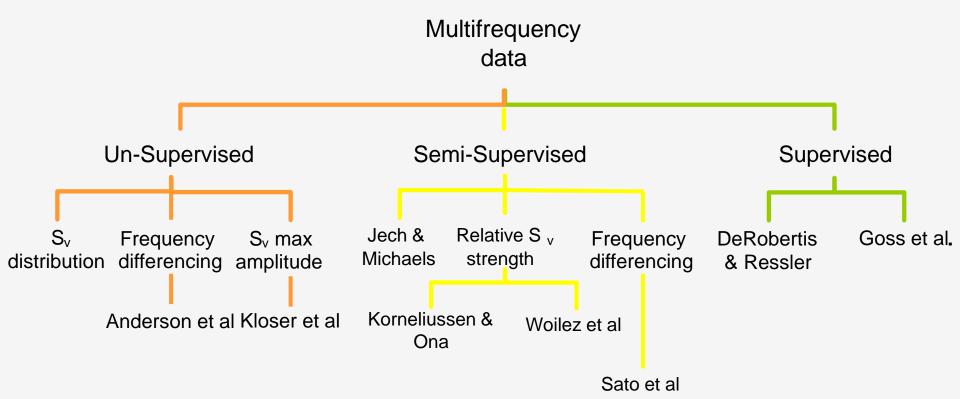


- aggregation & environmental metrics as covariates

Multifrequency Classification

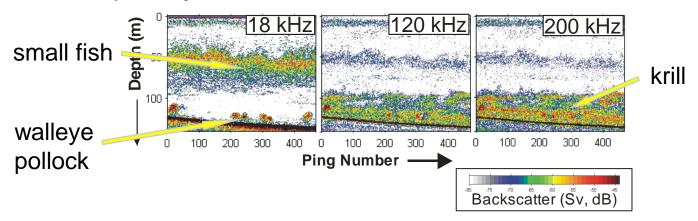


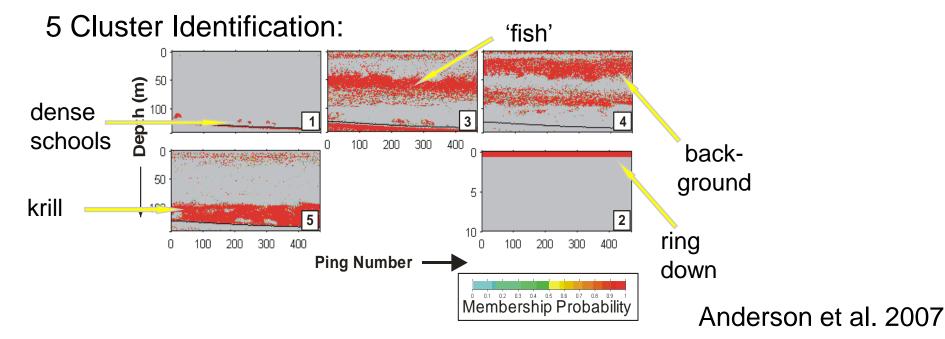
Multifrequency Classification



Probabilistic Backscatter Identification

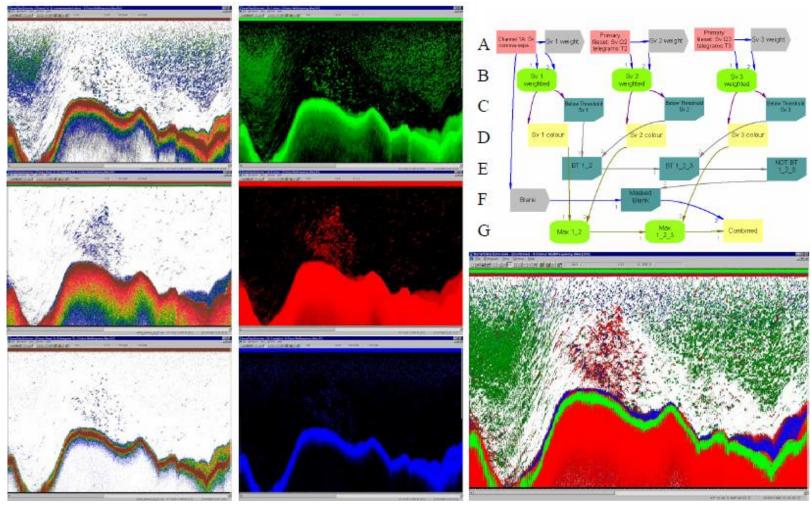
3 Frequency Backscatter:





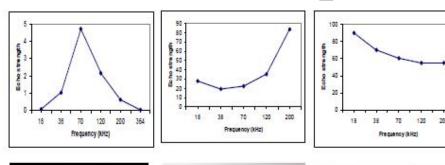
Synthetic Echogram

S_v maximum amplitude



Kloser et al. 2002

Frequency Response

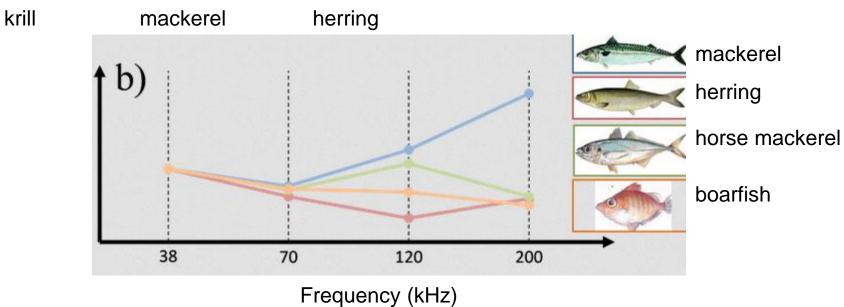




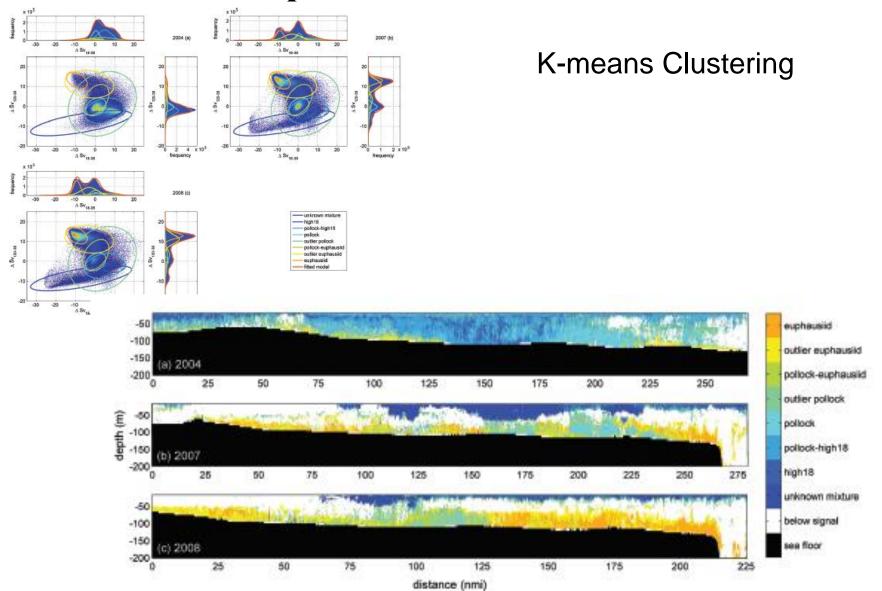




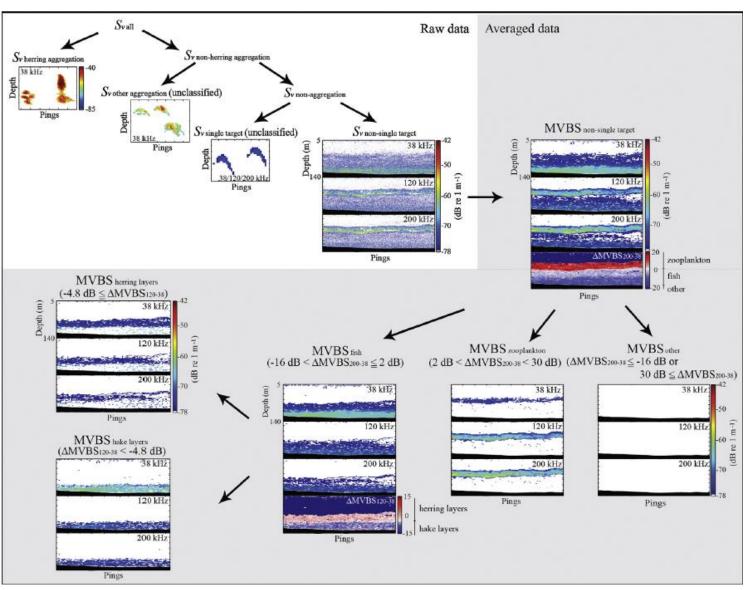
Korneiliussen and Ona (2007)



Semi-Supervised Classification



MVBS Frequency Differencing

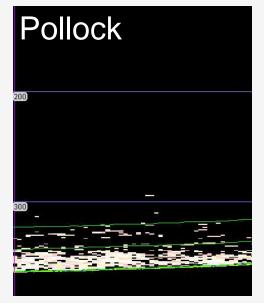


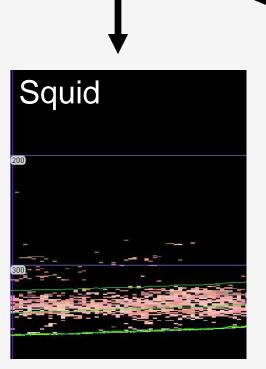
Supervised Classification

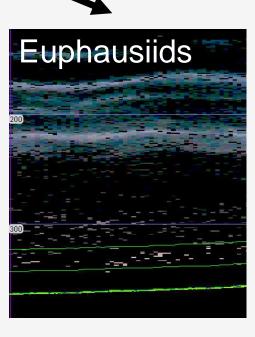
All data

Training sets of 'pure' samples

Analyst-assigned categories







Current Trends... as seen in 2018

- renewed interest in resonance peaks as classifier
- renewed interest in wideband for resolution and classifier (EK-80), community standards being established but not there yet
- potential for machine learning/big data tools to become more prevalent
- alternate platforms increasing spatial and temporal ranges but acoustic classification is an ongoing challenge
- increased scrutiny from marine mammal community may constrain frequency range