

# Ergodicity Defect

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An alternative metric for  
distinguishing trajecs &  
identifying LCS


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## Ergodicity Defect (ED) on unit interval

Analyzing functions are Haar father wavelets -i.e. translations & dilations of the indicator function

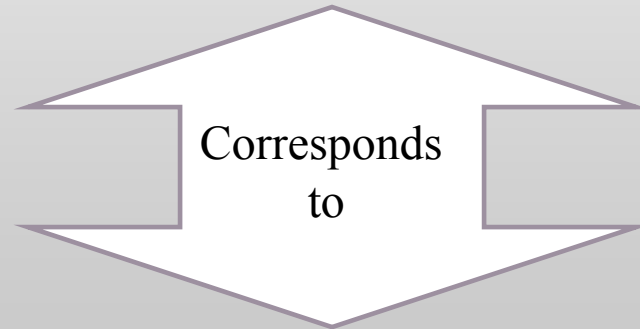
Wavelet basis



$$\phi(x) = \chi_{[0,1)}(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in [0,1) \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Haar father wavelets at scale  $s$  are

$$\phi_j^{(s)}(x) = \phi(2^s x - (j-1)), \quad j = 1, \dots, 2^s$$



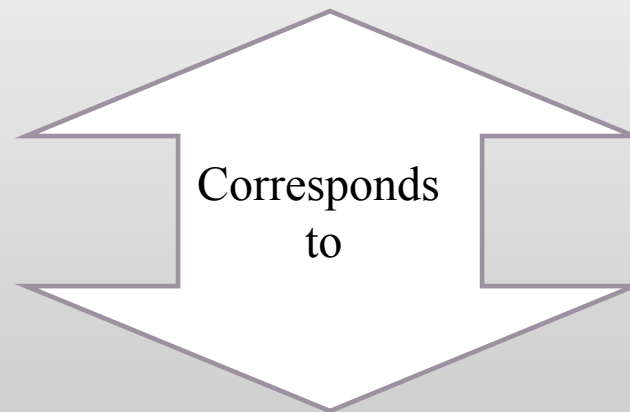
Partition of  $[0,1)$  into  $2^s$  intervals of length  $\frac{1}{2^s}$

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## Ergodicity Defect (ED) on unit square

Analyzing functions are 2 dimensional Haar father wavelets

$$\phi_{i_1 i_2}^{(s)}(x, y) = \phi_{i_1}^{(s)}(x) \phi_{i_2}^{(s)}(y) \quad i_1, i_2 = 1, \dots, 2^s$$

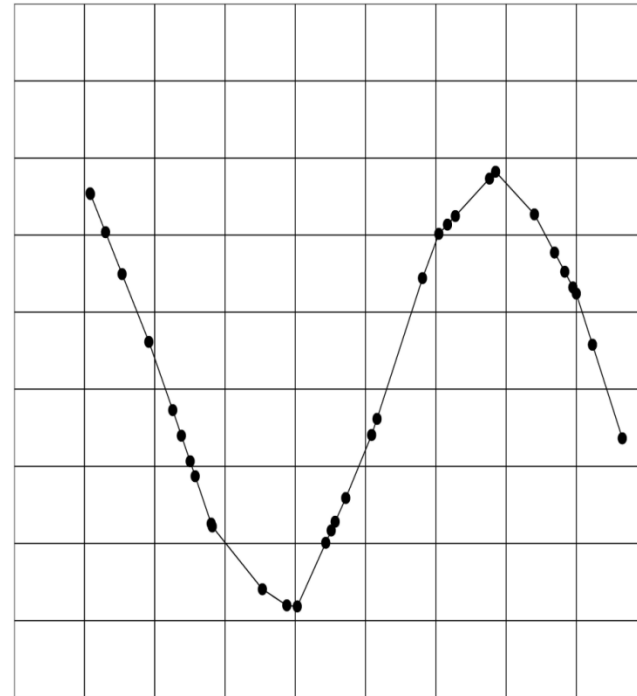


Partition of unit square into  $2^{2s}$  squares each of area  $\frac{1}{2^{2s}}$   
(where  $s$  is the spatial scale)

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## ED in 2 dimensions – Numerical Algorithm

- Take mapped trajectory in unit square
- Partition the unit square into squares of length  $s$  and equal area  $s^2$
- Space average =  $s^2$
- Use number of trajectory points  $N_j$  inside  $j$ th square to estimate the average time spent in each square (time average)



## ED in 2 dimensions – Numerical Algorithm

For a trajectory with initial conditions  $\vec{x}_0, t_0$

Samples  
best

$$d(s; \vec{x}_0, t_0) = \sum_{j=1}^{s^{-2}} \left( \frac{N_j(s)}{N} - s^{-2} \right)^2$$

Time average

Space average

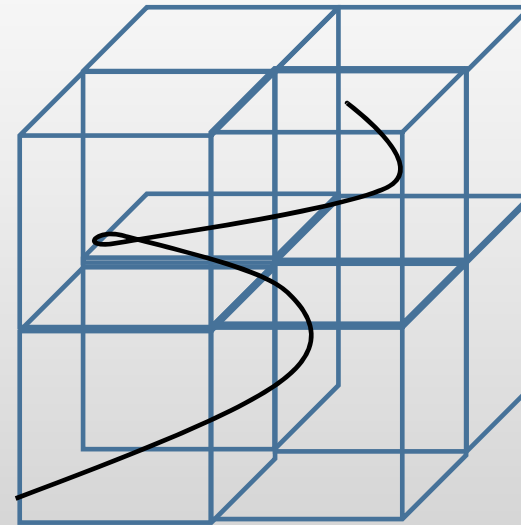
“Ergodic” (most complex) trajectory:  $d = 0$

Stationary (least complex) trajectory:

$$d = 1 - s^2 \rightarrow 1 \quad \text{as } s \rightarrow 0$$

## ED in 3 dimensions – Numerical Algorithm

- Take trajectory mapped into unit cube
- Partition the unit cube into smaller cubes of length  $s$  and equal volume  $s^3$
- Space average =  $s^3$
- Use number of trajectory points  $N_j(s)$  inside  $j$ th cube to estimate the average time spent in each cube (time average)



Partition of cube for  $s=1/2$

For a trajectory with initial conditions  $\vec{x}_0, t_0$

$$d(s; \vec{x}_0, t_0) = \sum_{j=1}^{s^{-3}} \left( \frac{N_j(s)}{N} - s^3 \right)^2$$

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## ED 3 dimensions + time – Numerical Algorithm

For different fixed initial depth (z) levels,

- Generate trajectory from (time) snapshots
  - Take mapped trajectory in unit cube
  - Partition the unit cube into smaller cubes with sides of length  $s$
  - Space average =  $s^{-3}$
  - Use number of trajectory points  $N_j(s)$  inside each cube to estimate the average time spent in each cube (time average)
  - Combine info from all depth levels
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## ED & Lagrangian Coherent Structures (LCSs)

Compute the ergodicity defect of individual fluid particle trajectories

Take the mean over scales of interest -  $d_{mean}$



Distinguish each trajectory by the manner in which it samples the space (i.e., by its complexity)

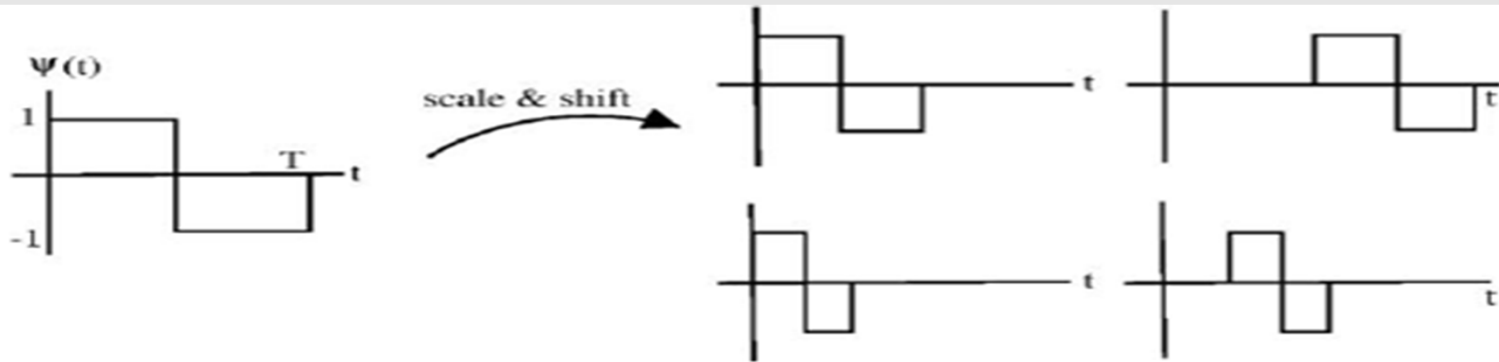
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## Ergodicity Defect (ED) on unit interval

Can also use Haar mother wavelets -i.e. translations & dilations of the Haar mother wavelet

$$\psi(x) = \chi_{[0,1/2)}(x) - \chi_{[1/2,1)}(x)$$

$$\psi_j^{(s)}(x) = \psi(2^s x - (j-1)), \quad j = 1, \dots, 2^s$$



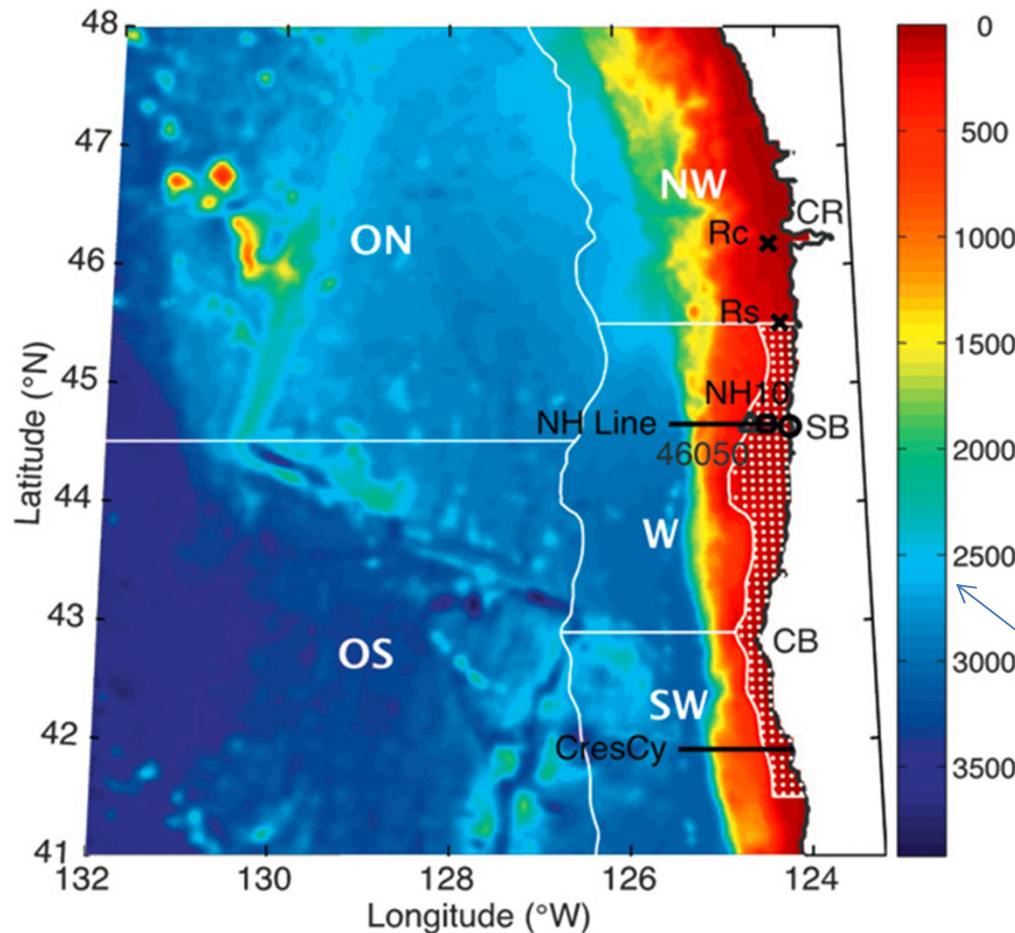
$$d(s) = \frac{2^{s-1} - 1}{2^s - 1} d(s-1) + \frac{2^{s-1}}{2^s - 1} \sum_{j=1}^{2^{s-1}} \|\psi_j^{(s-1),*}\|^2$$

Time average

Better for scaling analysis

# ED & an Upwelling flow (Rivas & Samelson) (3D + time example)

Strong Vertical Velocity in Ocean?



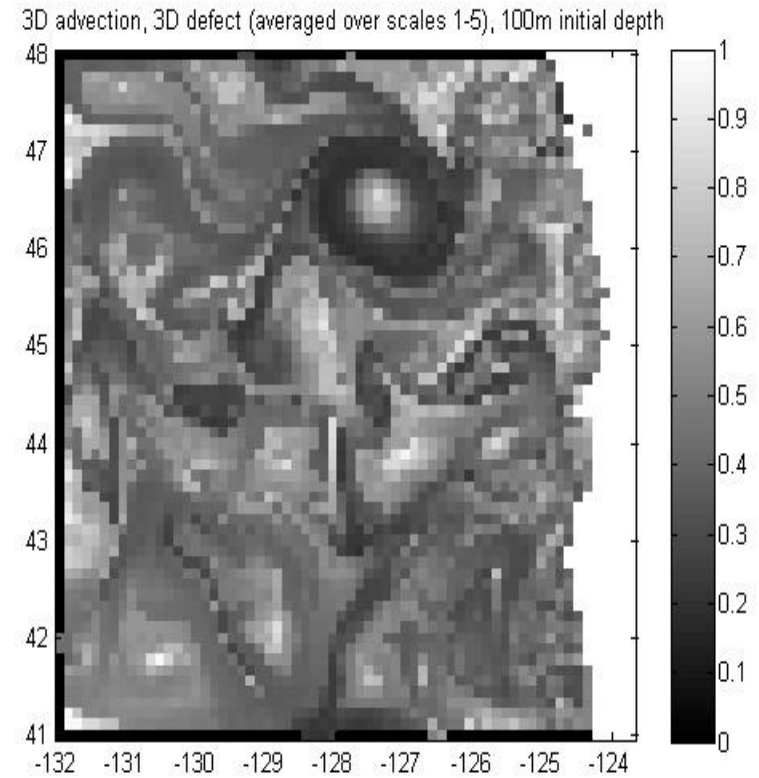
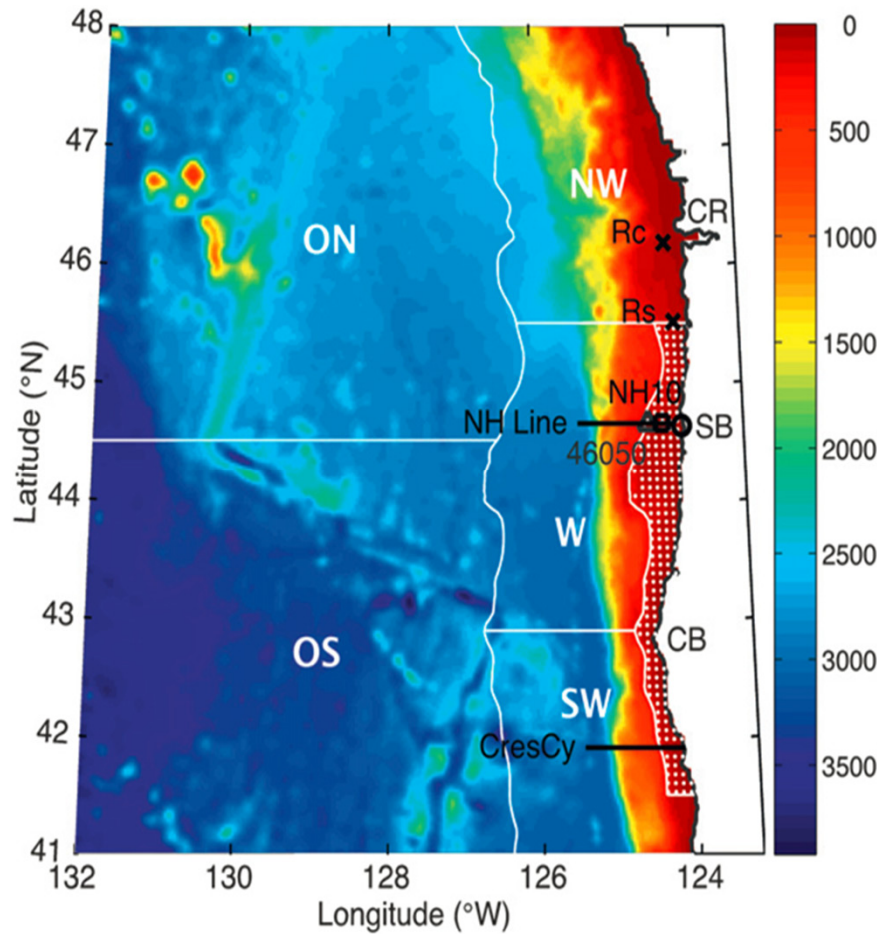
Use Ergodicity Defect to Identify Vertical LCS?

Does 3D Defect (sampling in x,y, & z) give more/different info than just 2D?

Color=bathymetry

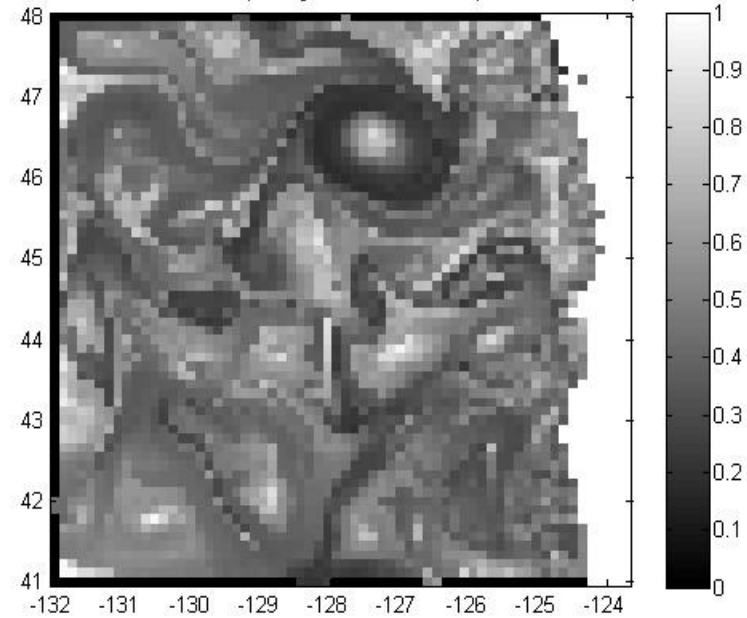
Numerical model off Oregon coast in 2005

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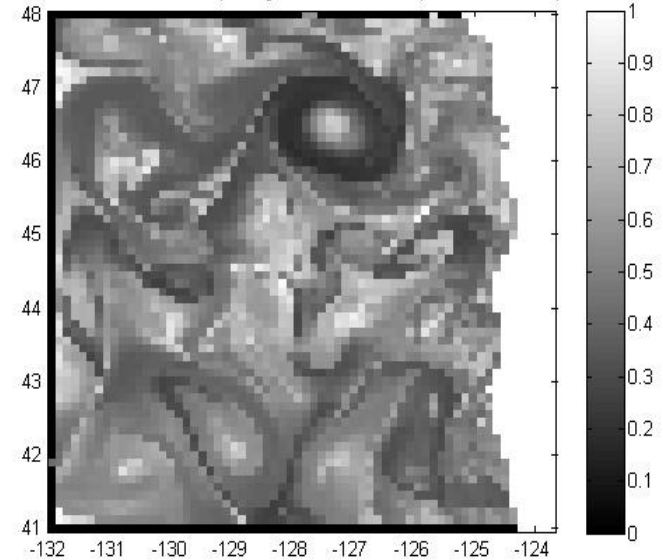


# 3D ED & Upwelling flow at different depths

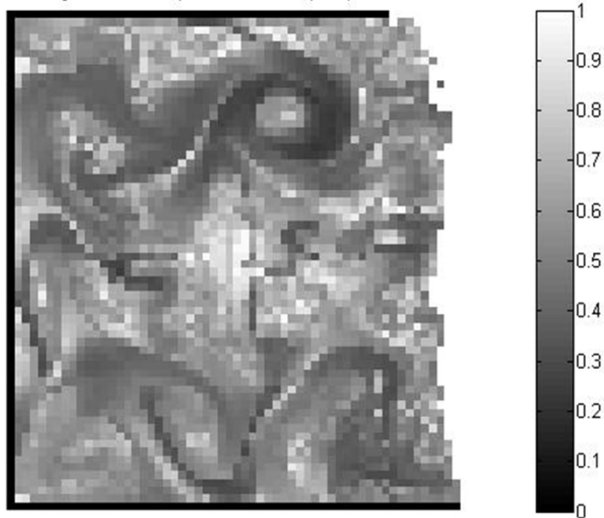
3D advection, 3D defect (averaged over scales 1-5), 100m initial depth



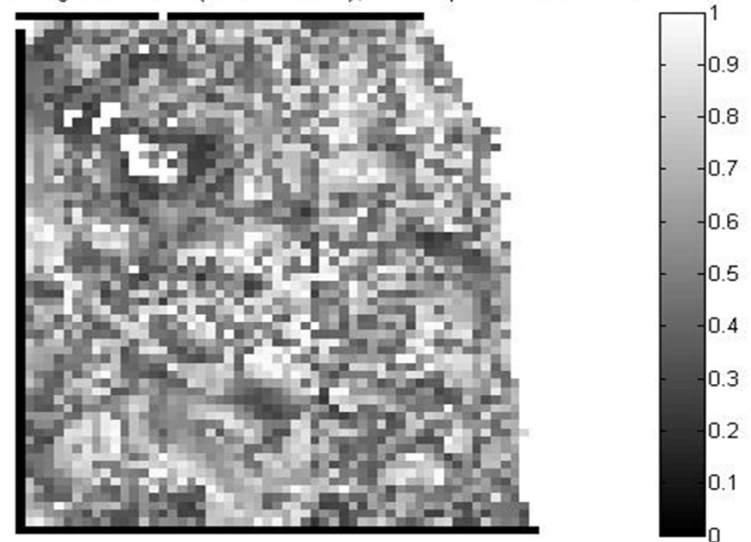
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averaged 3D defect (over scales 1 - 5), depth at 500 meters



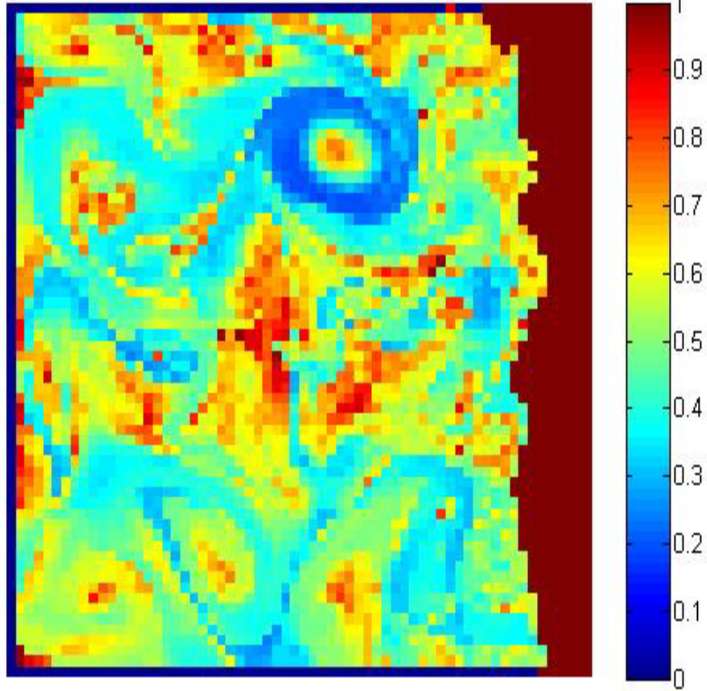
averaged 3D defect (over scales 1-5), initial depth at 2000 meters



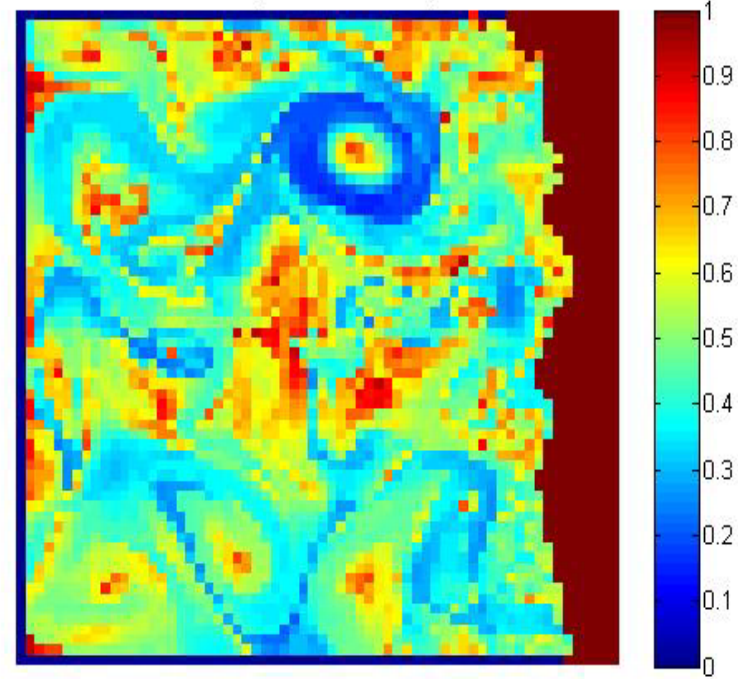


# ED & an Upwelling flow full domain, 3D advection

3D3D avg d, 250 m initial depth



3D2D avg d, 250m initial depth

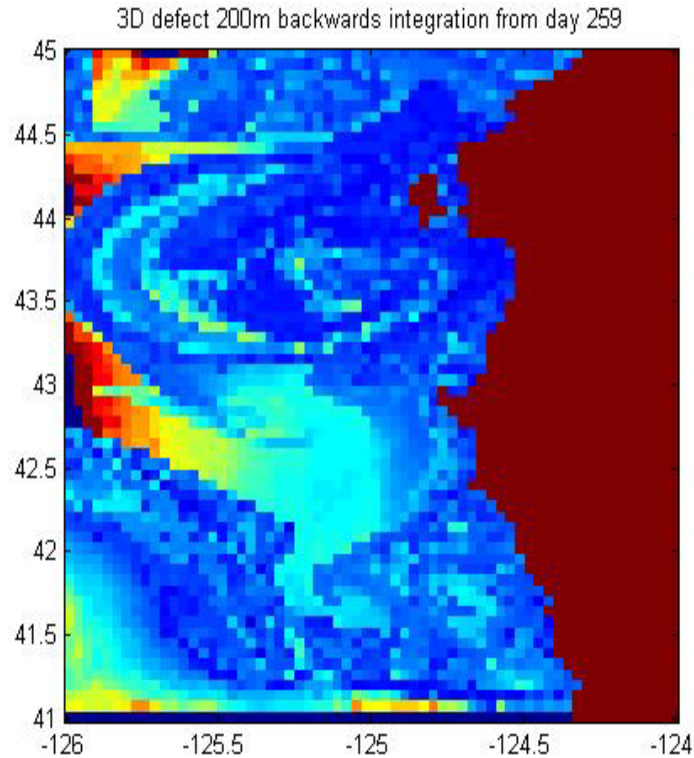


3D defect grayscale  
x, y & z sampling

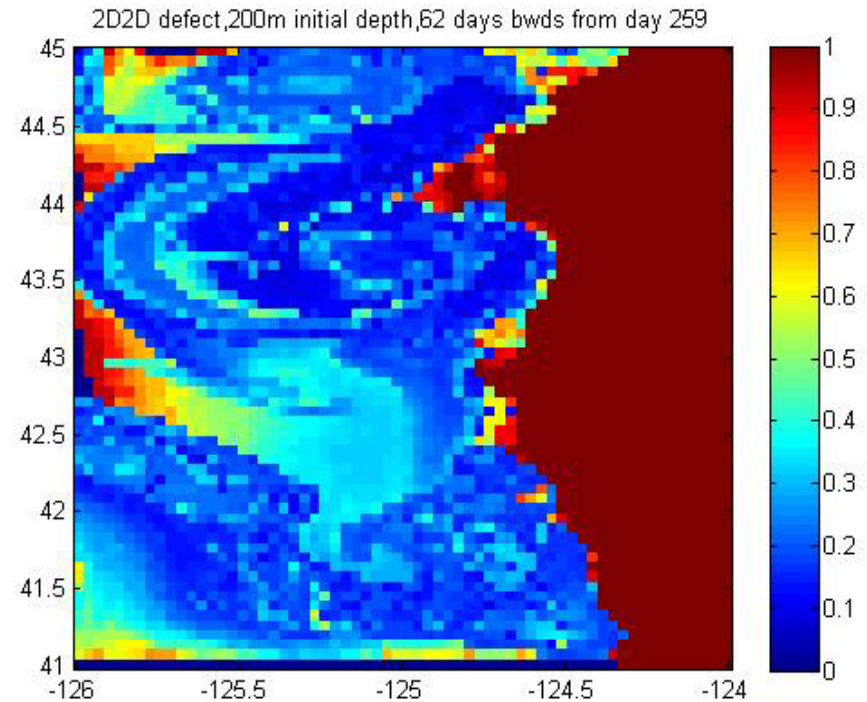
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2D defect grayscale  
x,y sampling

# Upwelling flow on smaller domain (closer to shore)



3D advection, 3D defect



2D advection, 2D defect

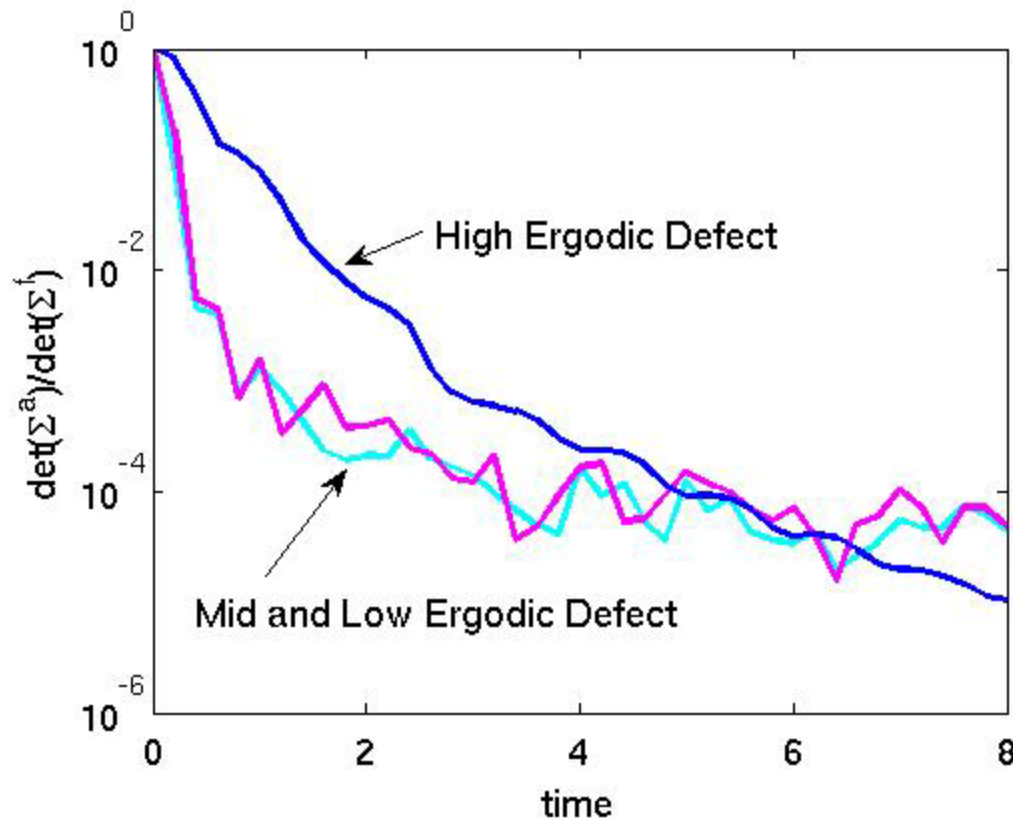
Still 3D defect grayscale pic similar 2D defect

Rerunning with better resolution



# Ergodicity Defect & LaDA (Linearized Shallow Water & Particle Filter (E. Spiller))

Which trajectory? – Lower defect better



How long?

Doing with rotating can

# Summary

Ergodicity Defect (ED) captures trajectory/flow complexity for identifying Lagrangian Coherent Structures

- Understanding barriers to transport
- Understanding/Determining transport of material/flow properties by coherent structures

## Advantages of ED

- Distribution of trajectory can be non-uniform/sparse
- Works in both 2 and 3 dimensions
- Scaling analysis component

# Other aspects/ideas

Use Ergodicity Defect (ED) to distinguish optimal trajectories/initial conditions

Use SCALING ANALYSIS – detect fast, small-scale  
Sampling device deployment strategy/path  
design?

Quantify transport of materials?

For estimating fluid flow properties?

e.g avg temp over floats/ avg temp  
over different realizations

# NEXT? BIG PIC & CONNECTIONS?

- ABC flow?
- Quadrapole?
- Point Vortices?
- HYCOM?
- NCOM?
- LES?