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***The development of Third  
Generation wave Model MRI-III for  
operational use.***

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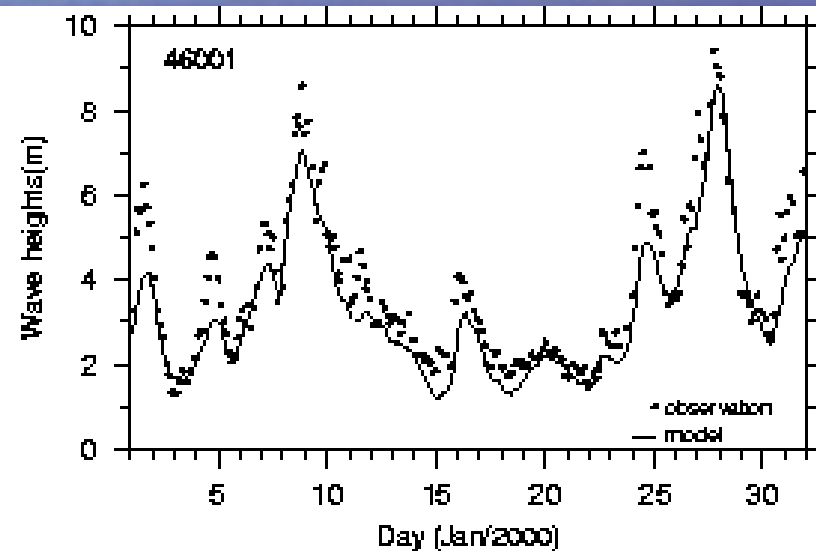
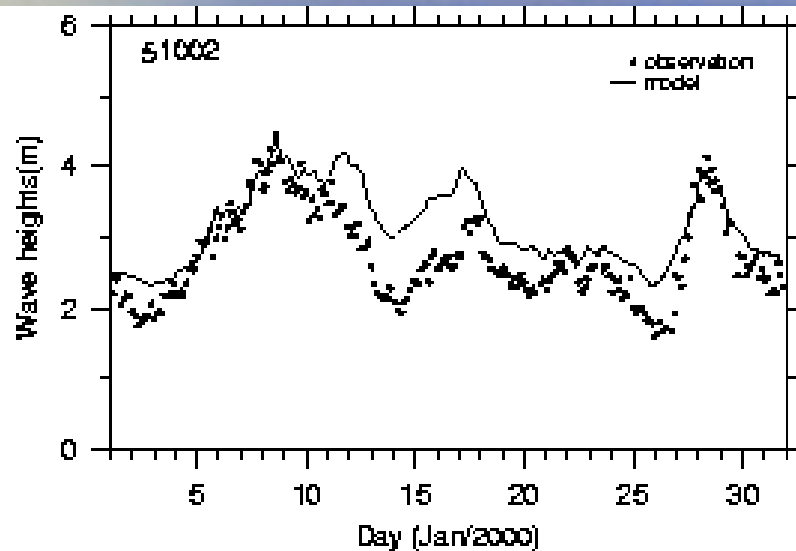
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# 1. Introduction

- The third generation wave model MRI-III (Ueno and Kohno, 1998)
  - developed in Meteorological Research Institute (MRI)
  - operationally used in Japan meteorological agency (JMA) from 00UTC 27/Apr/1998
- Improvements of physical treatment (Ueno and Kohno, 2001)
  - The correction of bug in  $S_{nl}$
  - The improvement of  $S_{in}$  and  $S_{ds}$
- **generation of new problem**
  - **overestimation of swell**

# A global calculation results of Jan/2000

## Hawaii(51002) and Aleutian(46001)



overestimation of swell (51002)  
though correct estimation of wind waves(46001)

## 2. Outline of MRI-III

Energy balance equation

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (C_g F) = S_{in} + S_{nl} + S_{ds}$$

$F = F(f, ?)$ : 2D spectrum

$S_{in}$ : energy input

$S_{nl}$ : non-linear energy transfer

$S_{ds}$ : energy dissipation

? advection term expressed swell propagation

# Spectral components of MRI-III

Wave spectra : 400 components

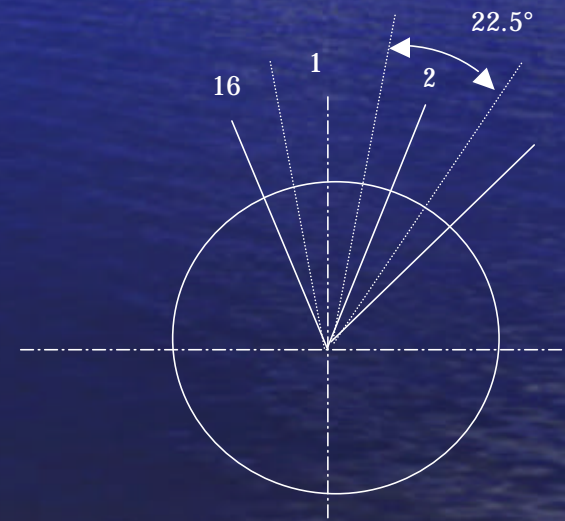
frequencies : 25(logarithmically divided)  
( 22 components of both sides is extended in S<sub>n1</sub> calculation. )

Maximum f : 0.3000( period of 3.33sec)

Minimum f : 0.0375( period of 26.67sec)

directions : 22.5deg.( 16directions)

(wave direction is defined where waves come.)



# Expression of terms of MRI-III

energy balance equation in spherical coordinate

*S<sub>in</sub>* (exponential) : Plant(1980) , Mitsuyasu-Honda(1982) type  
(linear) : Cavaleri & Maranotte-Rizzoli(1981)

*S<sub>nl</sub>* : the EDIA scheme  
( *tripled the configuration of the DIA scheme* )

*S<sub>ds</sub>* : newly determined ( Ueno, 1997 )  
( *laboratory measurements and dimensional analysis* )

*S<sub>swell</sub>* : newly introduced  
( though empirical )

*Advection* : the first order upstream scheme

# The expression of source functions (1)

- Energy input  $S_{in}$

$$S_{in} = A + B \cdot F(f, \mathbf{q})$$

- Linear term : Cavalieri & Maranotte-Rizzoli (1981)

$$A = \frac{1.5 \times 10^{-3}}{g^2 2p} \exp \left[ - \left( \frac{\mathbf{s}}{\mathbf{s}_{PM}} \right)^{-4} \right] \cdot (u_* \cdot \max(0, \cos \mathbf{j}))^4$$

- Exponential term : Plant(1982), Mitsuyasu-Honda(1982)

$$B = 0.29 \frac{u_*^2}{g^2} \mathbf{w}^3 F(f, \mathbf{q}) \cdot \cos^2 \mathbf{j} \frac{\cos \mathbf{j}}{|\cos \mathbf{j}|}$$

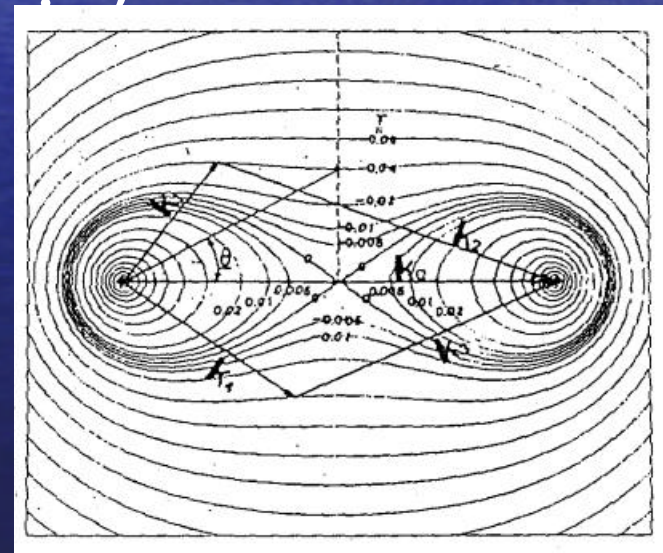


# The expression of source functions (2)

- Non-linear energy transfer  $S_{nl}$

- **????????????**  
 ?????????? (4????)

$$S_{nl}(\mathbf{k}_4) = \iiint \mathbf{w}_4 \cdot \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3, \mathbf{k}_4) \\
 \times \mathbf{d}(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 - \mathbf{k}_3 - \mathbf{k}_4) \cdot \mathbf{d}(\mathbf{w}_1 + \mathbf{w}_2 - \mathbf{w}_3 - \mathbf{w}_4) \\
 \times \{n_1 n_2 (n_3 + n_4) - n_3 n_4 (n_1 - n_2)\} d\mathbf{k}_1 d\mathbf{k}_2 d\mathbf{k}_3 \\
 F(\mathbf{k}_i) = E(f, \mathbf{q}), n_i = F(\mathbf{k}_i) / \mathbf{w}_i, \\
 \mathbf{w}_i = \sqrt{g\mathbf{k}_i} \quad (i = 1, \dots, 4)$$



**Which need vast computation**  
**It is not yet available in practical use.**

# The expression of source functions (2)

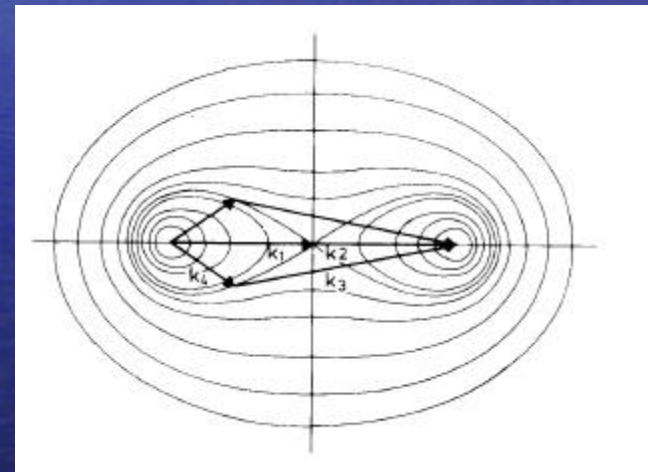
- The practical scheme of  $S_{nl}$  calculation

## Discrete Interaction approximation (DIA)

(Hasselmann et al., 1985)

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{w}_1 = \mathbf{w}_2 = \mathbf{w} \\ \mathbf{w}_3 = (1 + \mathbf{I})\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{w}_+ \\ \mathbf{w}_4 = (1 - \mathbf{I})\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{w}_- \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbf{I} = 0.25 \quad \mathbf{q}_3 = \pm 11.5, \mathbf{q}_4 = \mp 33.6$$



$$\begin{cases} S_{nl} \\ S_{nl}^+ \\ S_{nl}^- \end{cases} = \begin{cases} -2 \\ (1 + \mathbf{I}) \frac{\Delta \mathbf{w} \Delta \mathbf{q}}{\Delta \mathbf{w}_+ \Delta \mathbf{q}} \\ (1 - \mathbf{I}) \frac{\Delta \mathbf{w} \Delta \mathbf{q}}{\Delta \mathbf{w}_- \Delta \mathbf{q}} \end{cases} \cdot C_0 \frac{\mathbf{w}^{11}}{g^4} \cdot \left[ F^2 \left\{ \frac{F_+}{(1 + \mathbf{I})^4} + \frac{F_-}{(1 - \mathbf{I})^4} \right\} - 2 \frac{FF_+ F_-}{(1 - \mathbf{I}^2)^4} \right]$$

# The expression of source functions (2)

- Non-linear energy transfer  $S_{nl}$

## The Extended Discrete Interaction Approximation (EDIA)

based on the DIA scheme by Hasselmann et al.(1985)

(Uses three configurations of the resonant four waves, not only one.)

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{w}_1 = \mathbf{w}_2 = \mathbf{w} \\ \mathbf{w}_3 = (1 + I)\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{w}_+ \\ \mathbf{w}_4 = (1 - I)\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{w}_- \end{cases}$$

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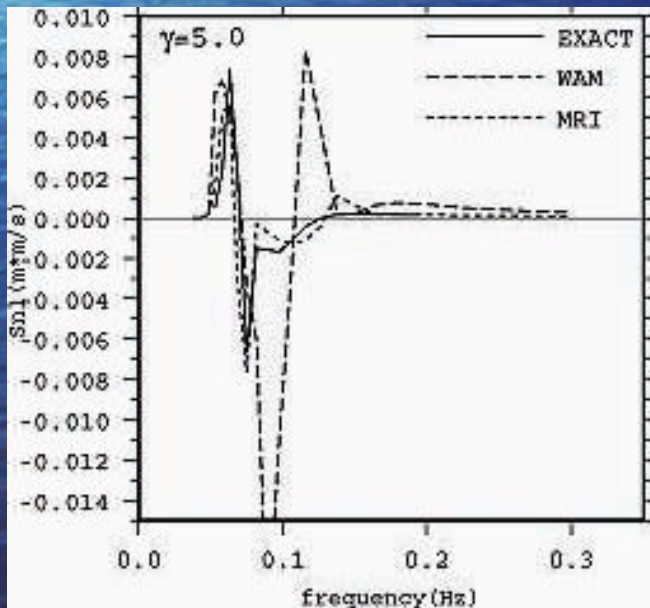
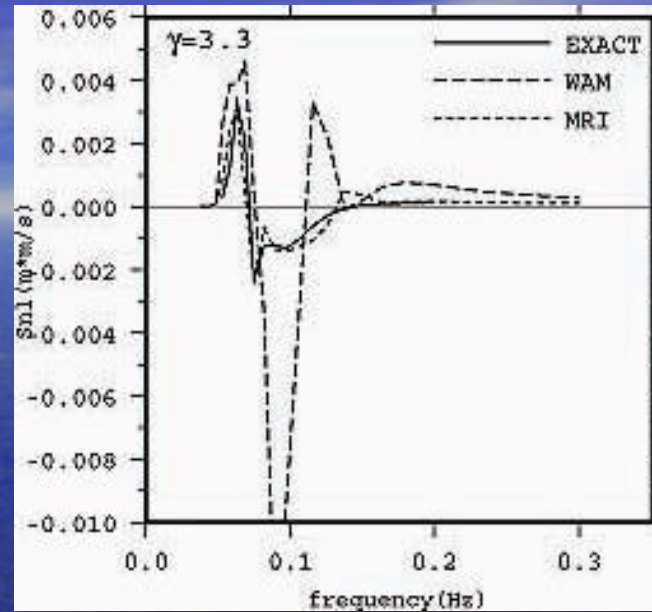
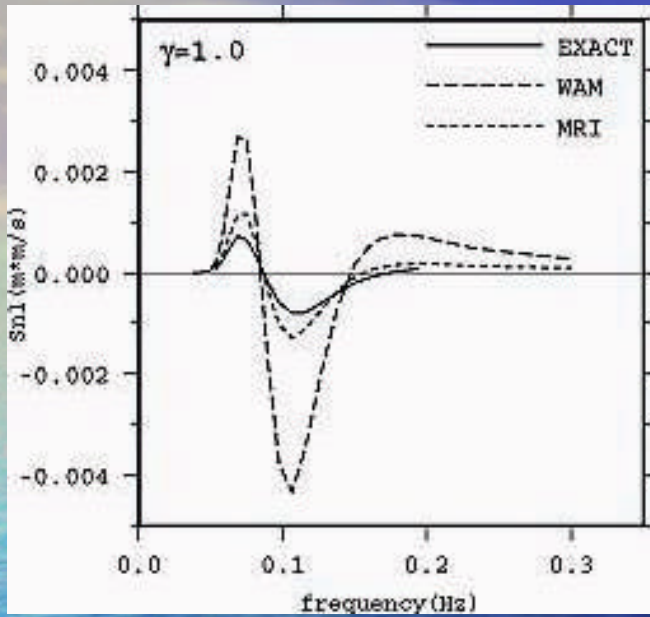
$$\begin{cases} S_{nl}^+ \\ S_{nl}^- \end{cases} = \begin{cases} (1+I) \frac{-2 \Delta \mathbf{w} \Delta \mathbf{q}}{\Delta \mathbf{w}_+ \Delta \mathbf{q}} \\ (1-I) \frac{\Delta \mathbf{w} \Delta \mathbf{q}}{\Delta \mathbf{w}_- \Delta \mathbf{q}} \end{cases} \cdot C_0 \frac{\mathbf{w}^{11}}{g^4} \cdot \left[ F^2 \left\{ \frac{F_+}{(1+I)^4} + \frac{F_-}{(1-I)^4} \right\} - 2 \frac{FF_+F_-}{(1-I^2)^4} \right]$$



$$\begin{cases} I^1 = 0.19 & \mathbf{q}_3^1 = \pm 10.2, \mathbf{q}_4^1 = \mp 22.5 \\ I^2 = 0.24 & \mathbf{q}_3^2 = \pm 11.3, \mathbf{q}_4^2 = \mp 31.5 \\ I^3 = 0.33 & \mathbf{q}_3^3 = \pm 11.7, \mathbf{q}_4^3 = \mp 53.3 \end{cases}$$

$$S_{nl} = \sum_k c^k S_{nl}^k$$

## Example of nonlinear energy transfer



? the transfer rate are converted to non-dimensional value by energy spectrum

? the exact values were calculated by Dr. Komatsu and Prof. Masuda

# The expression of source functions (3)

- **Energy Dissipation Sds**

newly determined based on indoor laboratory experiments and dimensional analysis (Ueno, 1997)

$$(1) S_{in} \propto \left( \frac{u_*}{C_p} \right)^2 f \cdot \cos^2 \mathbf{q} \cdot F(f, \mathbf{q})$$

$$(2) S_{in} \approx S_{ds}$$

$$(3) F(f, \mathbf{q}) \propto g u_* f^{-4} \cos^2 \mathbf{q}$$

$$S_{ds} = -c \cdot \max(u_*, 0.174) \cdot \frac{\mathbf{w}^7}{g^3} \cdot F(f, \mathbf{q})^2$$

# The expression of source functions (3)

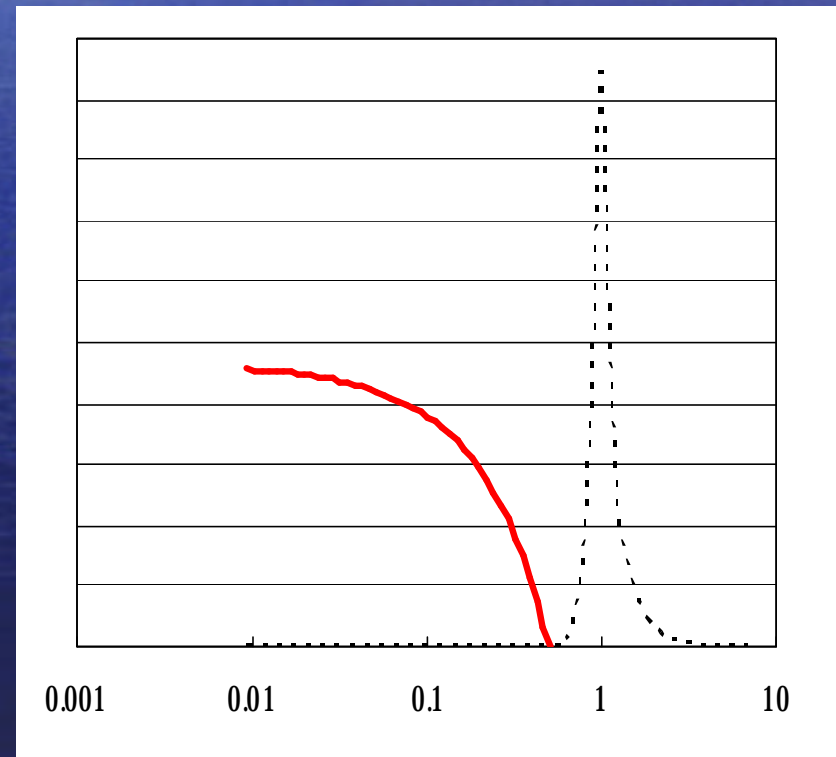
- **Swell Decay  $S_{swell}$**

empirically determined

$$S_{sds} = -4.01 \times 10^{-6} \tanh\left(\frac{f_s - f}{f_p}\right) \cdot F(f, \mathbf{q})$$

for  $f < f_s (= 0.5 f_p)$

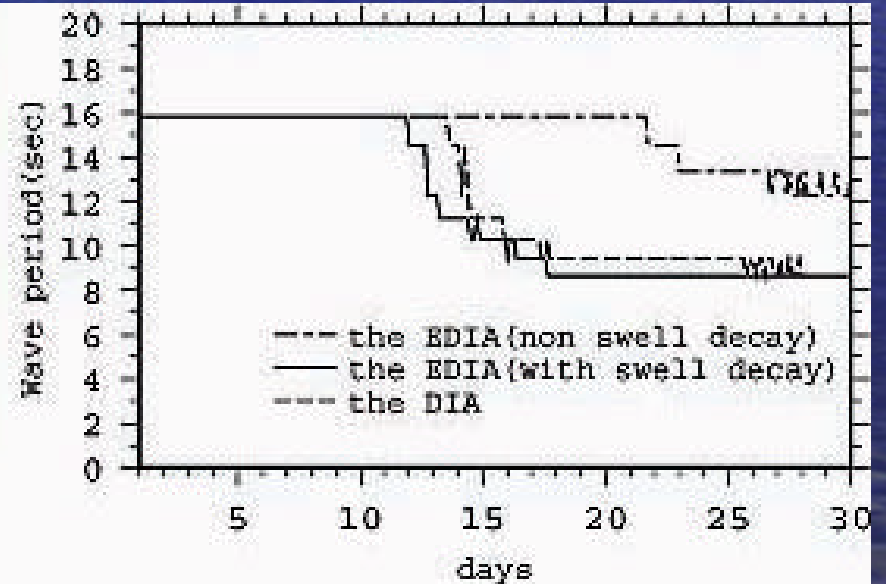
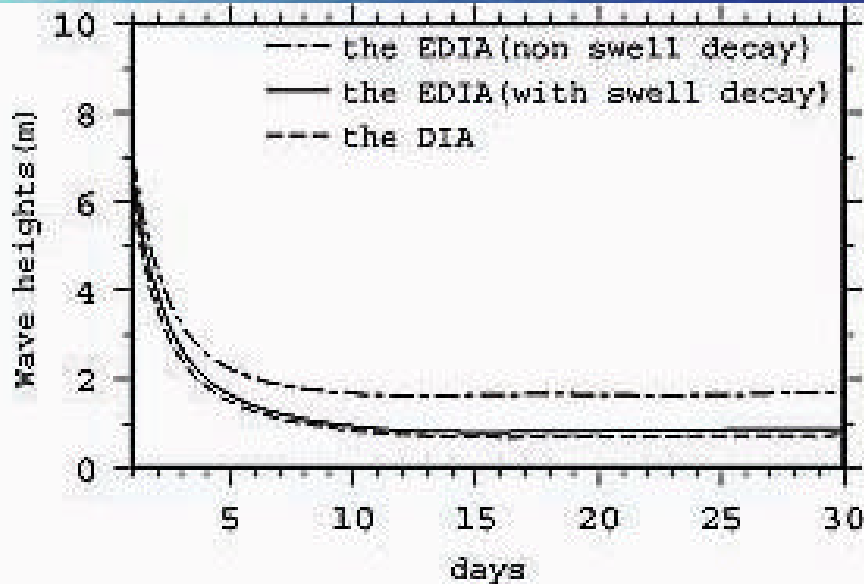
$f_p$  : peak frequency of windsea



# The test of swell decay

The peak wave height during 30 days under wind speed of 5m/s.

The initial wave energy is JONSWAP spectra of 20m/s wind.



## Modification of wave at off Hawaii(51002)





wave at North Pacific(46001)



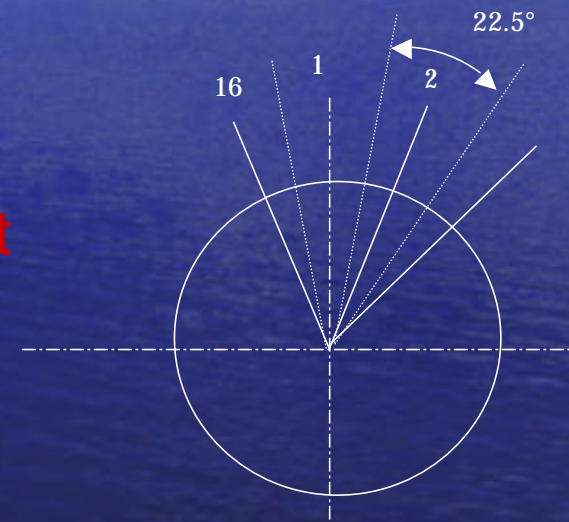
# Other change points

- 1 . Adjustment of  $S_{nl}$  value  
product of 1.4 to adjust the peak value  
to exact calculation.
- 2 . Definition of directional spectra  
define at central points of element  
(the direction of product is same)
- 3 . Change of the drag coefficients

$$u_* = \sqrt{C_d} \cdot u_{10}$$

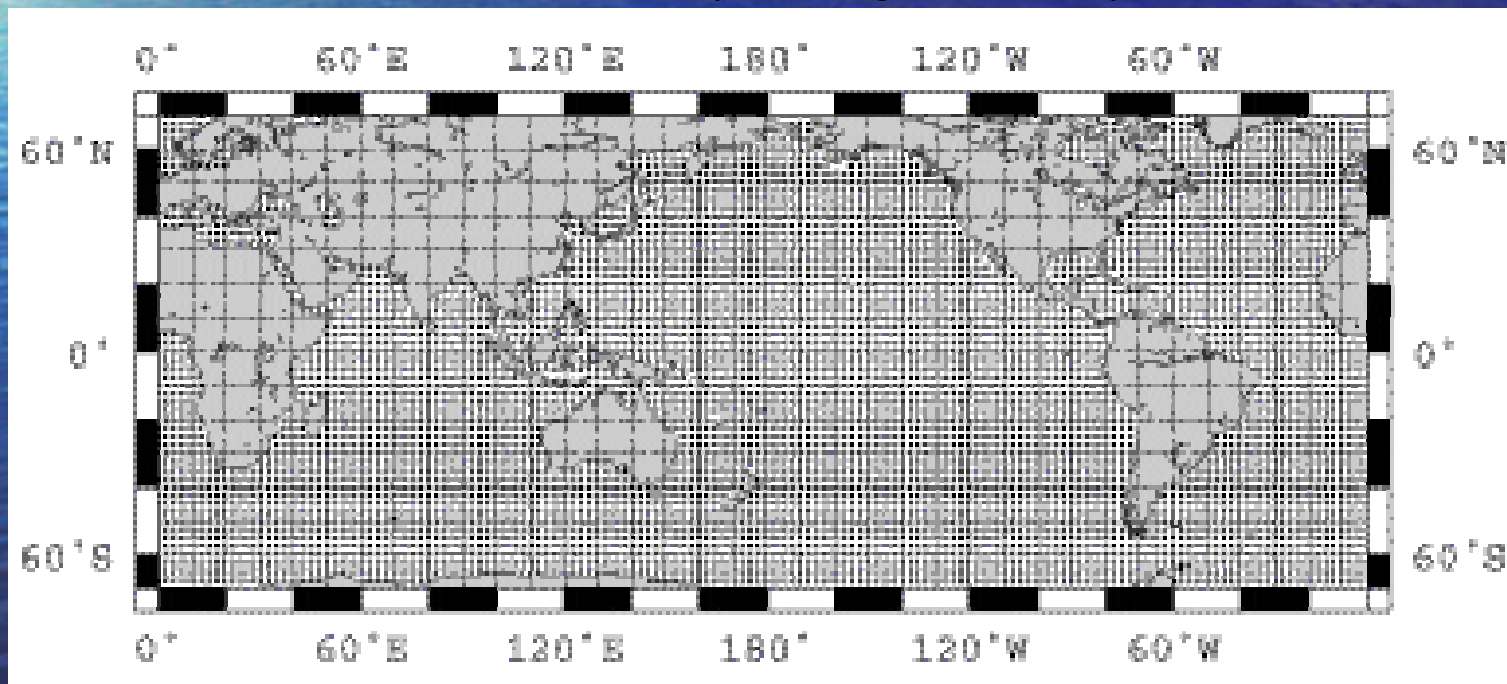
$$C_d = 0.581 \times 10^{-3} + 0.063 \times 10^{-3} \cdot u_{10}$$

$$\text{previous} : C_d = \max(0.520 \times 10^{-3} + 0.073 \times 10^{-3} \cdot u, 1.83 \times 10^{-3})$$

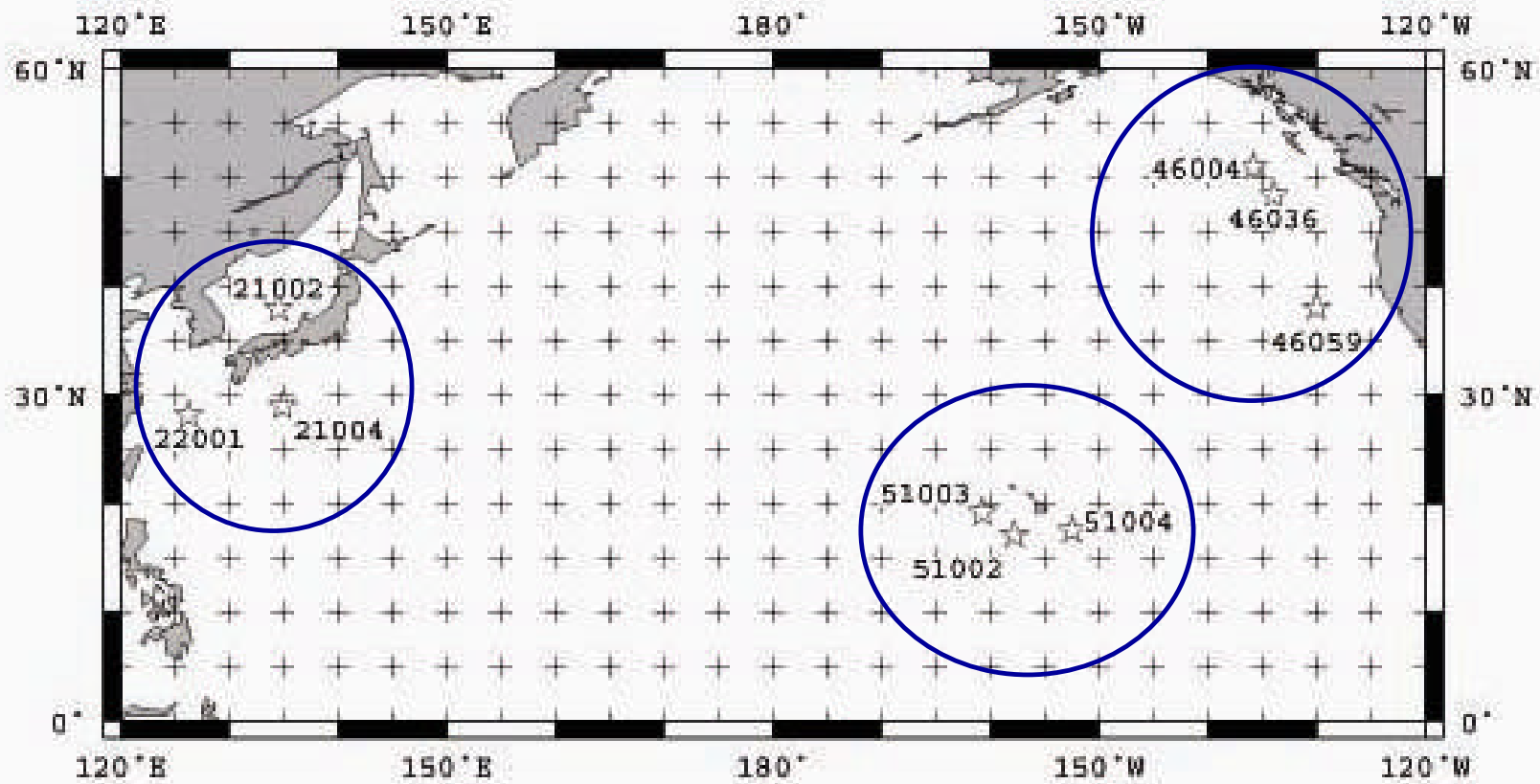


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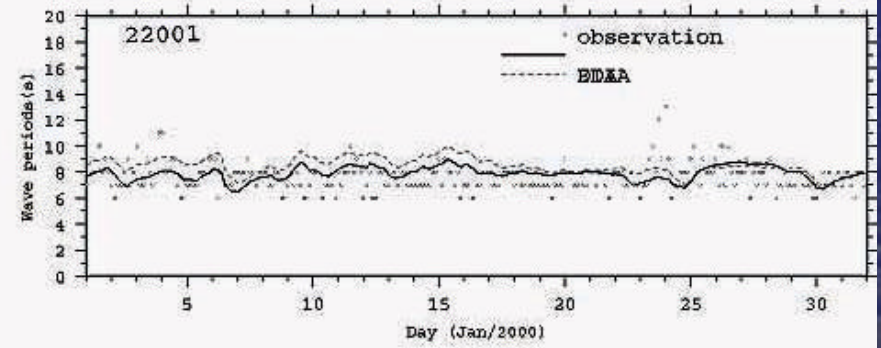
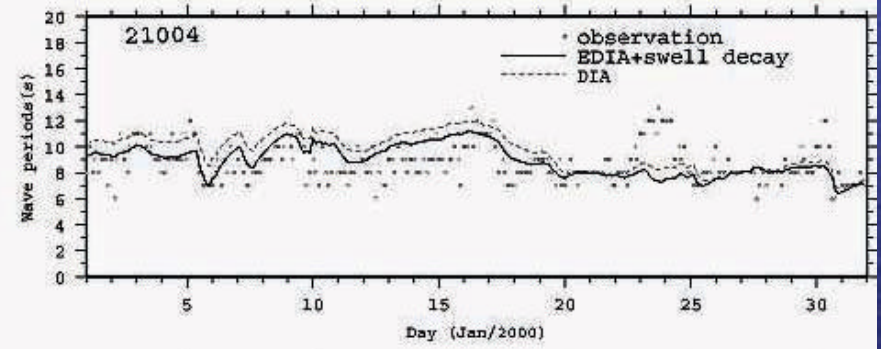
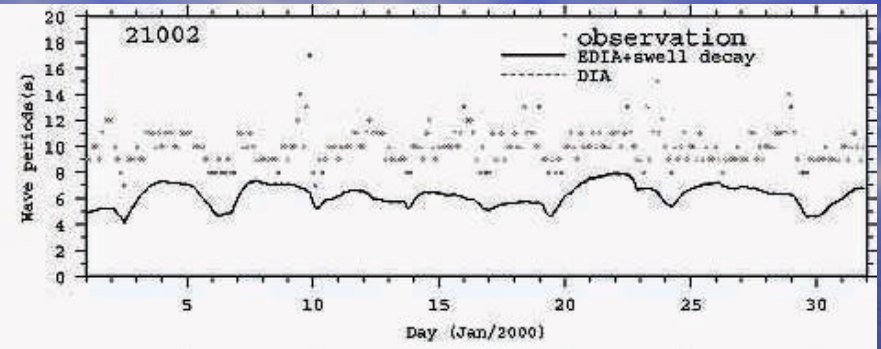
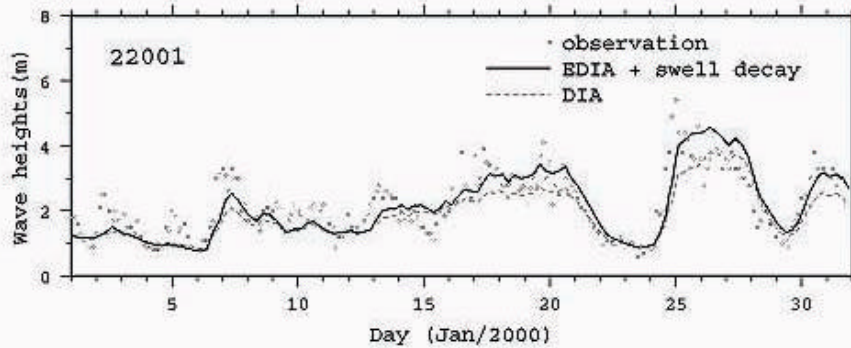
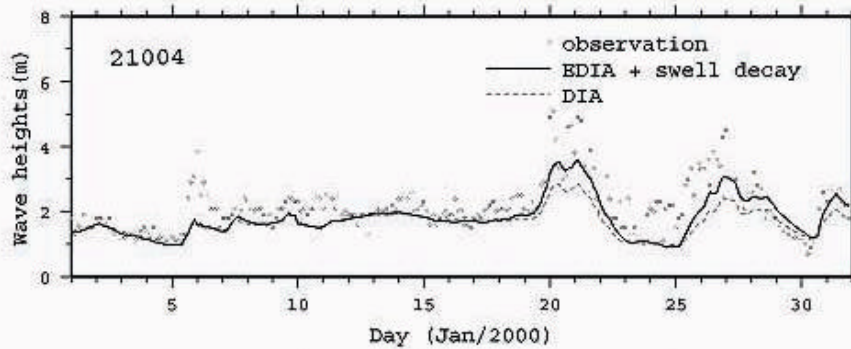
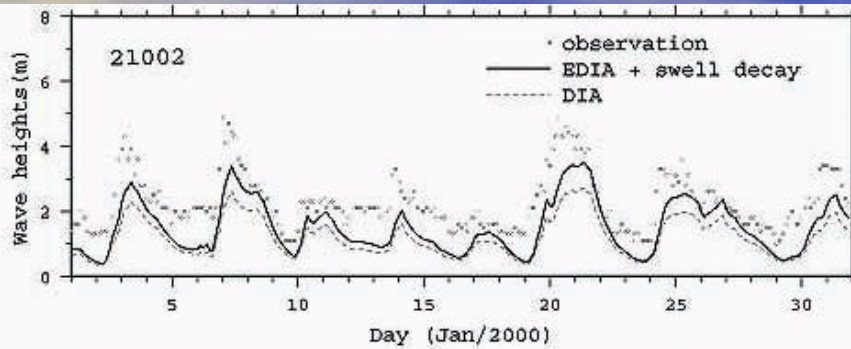
- Global calculation (January, 2000)
- Conditions
  - Area global without pole region
  - grid resolution 2.5 degree
  - initial condition Static state(Dec,1,1999) and 1 month hindcast
  - surface winds 6 hourly JMA global analysis (GANAL)



# Buoy points



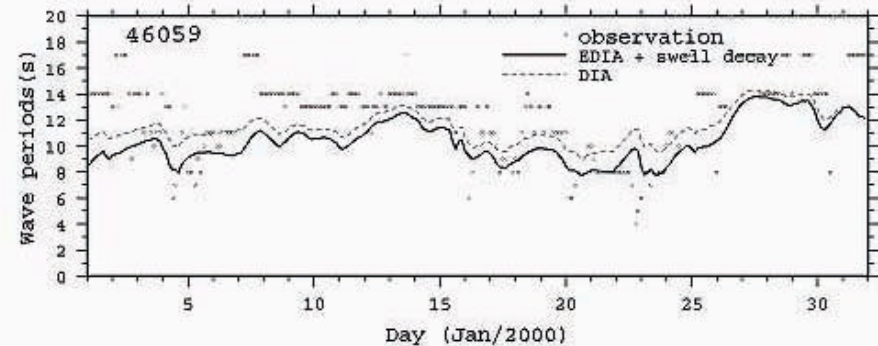
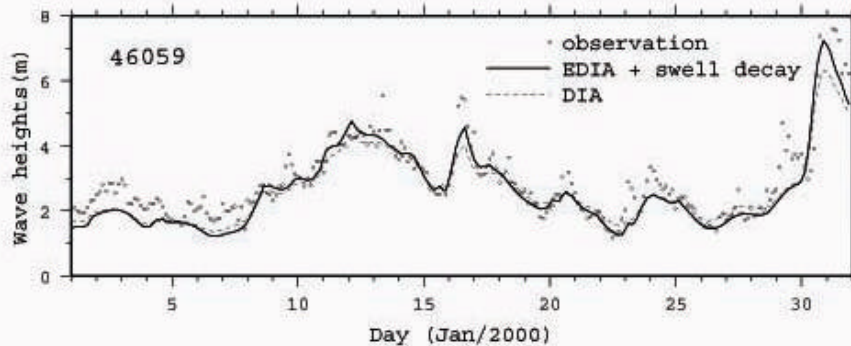
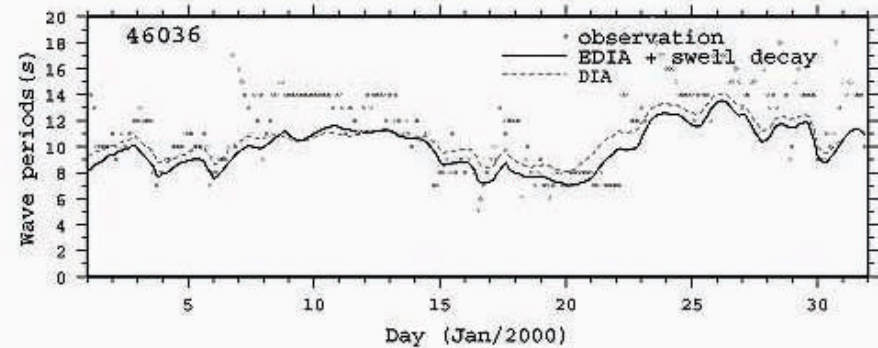
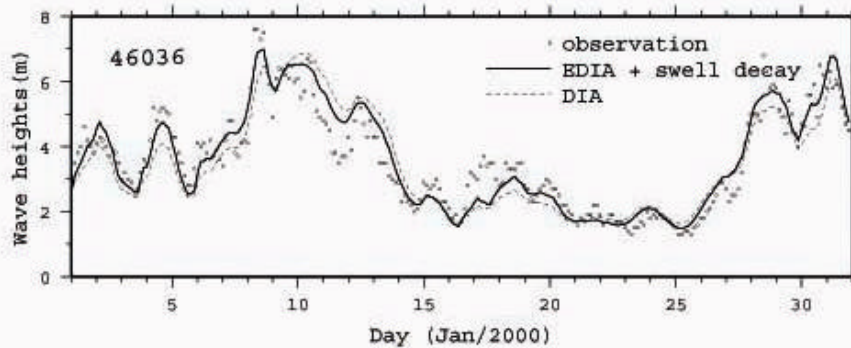
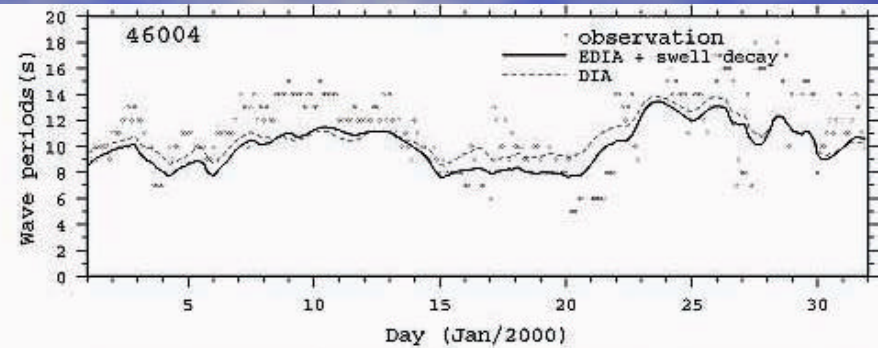
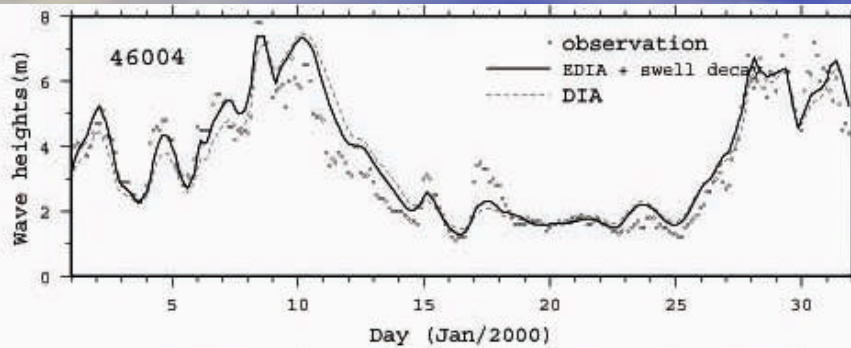
# Waves around Japan (Jan/2000)



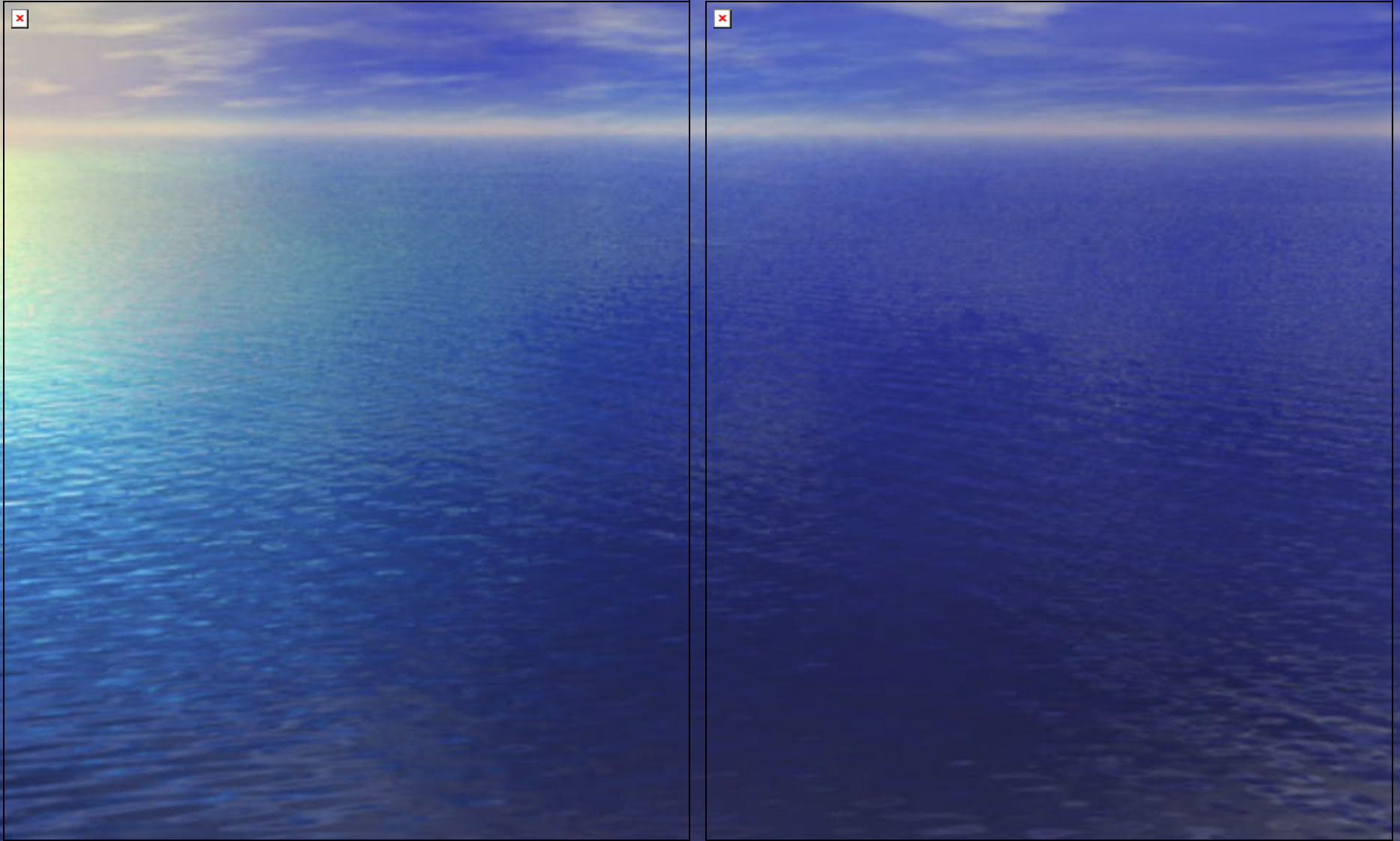
# Surface wind speed at 21002 (Jan. 2000)



# Waves in the North Pacific (Jan/2000)



# Waves off Hawaii (Jan/2000)





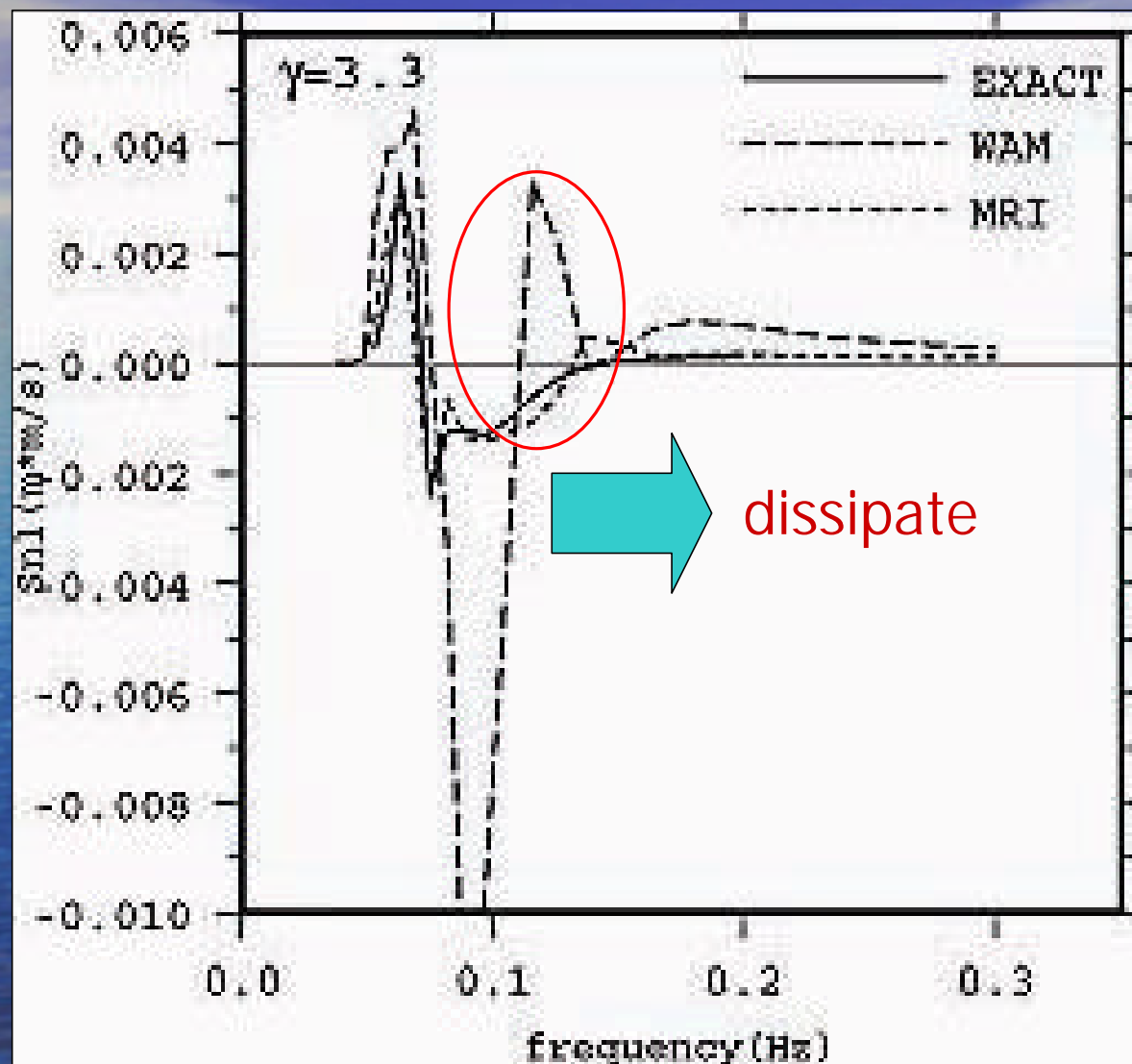
# 4. Discussion

## Why $S_{nl}$ has relation to swell dissipation?

- The DIA scheme transfers almost same amount of energy toward higher frequency side, not only lower side, especially the spectrum width is narrow.  
( This is false value and never occurs in rigorous calculation)
- The EDIA scheme transfers almost same value as rigorous calculation, therefore energy transfer toward lower side is small.  
( no false transfer occurs.)

# Why $S_{nl}$ has relation to swell dissipation? (cont.)

- The general feature of  $S_{ds}$  term  
In general much energy dissipates in high frequency region.  
(This comes from observational research and reasonable itself.)  
? The energy transferred to higher frequency region are effectively dissipated.
  - Although wave height agree with observation, it is due to additional dissipation by false energy transfer.  
(which means over dissipation of energy by the DIA)  
The EDIA does not occur additional dissipation, though this leads to overestimation of swell heights
- cf.* wavewatch-3 decrease the coefficient of  $S_{nl}$  in order to restrict swell decay.



# 5. Summary

- MRI-III calculates non-linear energy transfer with the EDIA scheme, which has much accuracy than the DIA scheme used in WAM etc.
- The EDIA scheme, that has the ability of almost rigorous  $S_{nl}$  calculation, fears to overestimate swell heights.
- By including swell decay term, MRI-III comes to have quite good accuracies both in windseas and swell, which is worth being operated.

## further problems

- Since swell decay term is hypothetical and determined empirically, we must further research the feasibility of this expression or seek a proper expression, in theoretical method and experiments.
- We should clear the mechanism of energy input when swell exists, which may connected with our well decay term.