Slides for discussion **Temporal scales** of coastal and land-ocean processes

- Time scale issues for GeoCape
 - Land flux variability
 - Phytoplankton physiology
 - Production/ respiration/ sinking dynamics
 - Diurnal movement of organisms
 - Surface advection/ vertical mixing
 - Coastal Upwelling
 - Tides
 - Storms
 - Fronts

MODIS coverage in the Gulf of Maine



Jonsson, Salisbury Mahadevan, 2007

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Land - ocean

Discharge Tides Storms QuickTime™ and a H.264 decompressor are needed to see this picture.



 Relationship between river Mississippi DIN flux and satellitederived chlorophyll (Steve Lohrenz et al., 2008 USM)



DOC concentrations vs. MODIS EVI (Ipswich MA) Wollheim and Salisbury (UNH)



Atmosphere - ocean

Air-mass evolution Wind Storms

Mao et al., 2005 (JGR)

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Short-term changes of bio-optical properties

Process studies: the case for staring





Figure. CDOM, instrument depth and salinity, instrument depth during high salinity period (June to early July). High salinity, high CDOM water are exported during spring tides when high, high tides occur at mid-day. CDOM continues to be exported after the rain event when salinities fall below 37. When neap tides occur, the production and export of CDOM does not occur after mid day high tides.



Backscattering and Chl-a (Hu, USF)



 Tidally-induced variations in optical properties at Mobile Point (Lohrenz (USM) et al.)



Optics Time Series at Mobile Pt. - Sep 2000



Sinking Dynamics: Chalk-ex, Balch et al.



Mass of chalk



Addressing rapid advection with circulation models and remotely sensed data:

Lagrangian tracking of satellite products with a numerical model: NASA-NNH07ZDA001N-Carbon

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Motivation: retrieve productivity as rate of change $\triangle POC_{PHYTO} \approx \triangle DIC_{uptake} \approx Net Community Production$



Jonsson, Salisbury, Mahadevan, Campbell, (2008a, 2008b)

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Interpolation of a MODIS chl row over 5 days

Linear

Lagrangian





Longitude

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Estimate the difference in a Lagrangian frame of reference





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SCALE														
RELATIVE SPATIAL SCALE		Local (MICRO) Coastal Bay (MESO)												Gulf Basin (MACRO)
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Chalk particles have slow sinking rates are optically active...



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Chalk-Ex—Fate of CaCO₃ particles in the mixed layer: Evolution of patch optical properties

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[1] The fate of particles in the mixed layer is of great relevance to the global carbon cycle as well as to the propagation of light in the sea. We conducted four manipulative field experiments called "Chalk-Ex" in which known quantities of uniform, calcium carbonate particles were injected into the surface mixed layer. Since the production term for these patches was known to high precision, the experimental design allowed us to focus on terms associated with particle loss. The mass of chalk in the patches was evaluated using the well-calibrated light-scattering properties of the chalk plus measurements from a variety of optical measurements and platforms. Patches were surveyed with a temporal resolution of hours over spatial scales of tens of kilometers. Our results demonstrated exponential loss of the chalk particles with time from the patches. There was little evidence for rapid sinking of the chalk. Instead, horizontal eddy diffusion appeared to be the major factor affecting the dispersion of the chalk to concentrations below the limits of detection. There was unequivocal evidence of subduction of the chalk along isopycnals and subsequent formation of thin layers. Shear dispersion is the most likely mechanism to explain these results. Calculations of horizontal eddy diffusivity were consistent with other mixed layer patch experiments. Our results provide insight into the importance of physics in the formation of subsurface particle maxima in the sea, as well as the importance of rapid coccolith production and critical patch size for maintenance of natural coccolithophore blooms in nature.

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Optical Discrimination of Natural Populations Steve Lohrenz, (USM) et al.



Short-term changes in cyanobacteria bloom size, Hu (USF)



Direct atmospheric deposition of water-soluble nitrogen to the Gulf of Maine

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Area of chalk patch

