# Surfactant Dynamics on Sea SurfaceTatiana Talipova, Institute of Applied Physics, NizhnyDecember, 13, 2007SAR IMAGES





Oil sleek field in Persian Gulf

Surfactants in field of internal waves



## Surfactant sources in environment

## From Ocean

Biological organic matter: plankton, fishes, drift weed, organic sediment





#### From Atmosphere





# Transport of Saharan dust over the Caribbean Islands: Study of an event

## JGR, V. 110, D18S09, 2005 R. H. Petit,<sup>1</sup> M. Legrand,<sup>2</sup> I. Jankowiak,<sup>2</sup> J. Molinie',<sup>1</sup> C. Asselin de Beauville,<sup>1</sup> G. Marion,<sup>1</sup> and J. L. Mansot<sup>3</sup>

A dust plume transported across the Atlantic Ocean from West Africa to Guadeloupe in June 1994 is studied using several complementary and cross-checking techniques. During this event the dust optical depth measured in Guadeloupe was high from 19 to 22 June, peaking at 1. Meteosat-5 IR imagery is used to locate in SW Sahara the source of emitted dust, consistent with the simulated backward trajectories of the dusty air masses arriving over Guadeloupe. Meteosat-3 visible light spectrometer (VIS) imagery over the north tropical Atlantic shows the dust plume leaving the African coast on 15 June and its subsequent spreading over ocean on the following days. The back trajectories indicate a strong uplift from the African source to an altitude of 5000 m on 14 and 15 June, followed by a subsiding motion of the dust plume from the African coast to Guadeloupe, in agreement with the meteorological soundings performed at east and west sides of the Atlantic Ocean. Such uplifts, observed during summer, are shown to be a condition for the long-range transport of dust through the Atlantic. It is also observed that while dust transport is associated with the dynamics of the Saharan air layer, the latter can be dust free. The transported mass of dust was in the range 2.5–5 Mt for this event. Electronic microscopy applied to the mineral particles collected in rainwater just after the dust event shows the predominance of particles larger than 1 mm in the long-range transport from Africa.

## Man-made pollution





- FOTOBANK, CON
- Ocean beach dumps
  Sewage
  Manufacturing waters
  Oil tanker accidents

# Ship Wake



#### First evidence for the detection of natural surface films by the QuikSCAT scatterometer Internal waves in Gibraltar

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Figure 4. SEASAT (L-band, HH) SAR image of the Yucatan Strait acquired on 24 August 1978 at 0122 UTC (Rev 838). The image shows a very strong signature of an internal wave packet propagating to the northwest over the continental shelf. Imaged area is 100 km x 100 km. [Image courtesy of Ben Holt NASA JPL]





Figure 3. Astronaut photograph (ISS005-E-5322) acquired on 18 June 2002 at 1256 UTC. The image shows internal wave surface signatures similar to those observed in SIR-C SAR image (Figure 4). Orientation and image size unknown. [Image courtesy of Earth Sciences and Image Analysis, NASA-Johnson Space Center (http://eol.jsc.nasa.gov)]



#### **Natural Slicks:**

#### •Currents

#### Large-Scale Waves

•Wind Variability

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## Wind Ripples

We studied the internal wave action on the surfactant film and formation of slick zones on the sea surface. This work is done in frames of *Project No 1775p* with **Defense Evaluation Research Agency** (DERA) UK.





Longitude (° E)

B2

**B**1

SURFACTANT MOLECULES Hydrophobic parts of molecules Water surface OH - OH - OH - OH - OH - OH - OH+H+HH<sub>2</sub>O Hydrophilic parts of surfactant molecules **\** is surface concentration of surfactant  $\Gamma = \mu/S$ 

Film characteristics <u>Physical</u> Surface tension  $\sigma$  $\sigma_0 = 73$  dyn/cm is surface tension of clean water Surfactant molecules are reduced water surface tension

## Film pressure $\pi = \sigma_0 - \sigma$

 $\pi = \pi(\Gamma) \text{ is film isotherm}$ Film elasticity modulus (Young's modulus)  $E = \Gamma \frac{d\pi}{d\Gamma}$ 

#### ISOTHERMS of SURFACTANT MARINE Surface FILMS



## Action on the wind ripple

#### Decrement of capillary-gravity waves



 $\omega$  is wave frequency v is water viscosity k is wave number  $\gamma_0 = 2vk^2$ 

Small variation of Γ leads to strong variation of decrement, and therefore, visibility of slicks



## QUESTIONS

## Where is the film concentration Γ increase enough for slick formation?

What does influence on the growth of  $\Gamma$  in situ?

Concentration balance equation Vector form

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + \vec{V}\nabla C = D\Delta C + I$$

Scalar form

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial C}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial C}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial C}{\partial z} = D \left( \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial z^2} \right) + I$$

There is basic equation for any kind of pollution

In atmosphere (aerosol)

In ocean (soluble substances, salt, insoluble fine-dyspersated substances, surfactant films)

In rivers (oil, man-made pollutions)

Heat "pollution"

**Basic Model:**  
**2D Advection-Diffusion-Relaxation Equation**  

$$\frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial t} + div(\vec{u}\Gamma) = D\Delta\Gamma + \frac{\Gamma_0 - \Gamma}{\tau} + Q$$

$$u(x,y,t)$$
 – surface current

## D – horizontal diffusion

 $\tau$ -relaxation (exchange with deeper layers)



## **1D Advection-Relaxation Model**



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## Internal Wave Velocity Field



### **1D Advection Model for Wave Disturbance**

$$u(x,t) = u(x - ct)$$

Steady – State Solution

$$\frac{\Gamma}{\Gamma_0} = \frac{C}{C - u}$$

Do not satisfy mean-level condition for concentration



#### **Exact Unsteady Solution**

$$\frac{\Gamma(z,t)}{\Gamma_0} = \frac{1-\varepsilon^2}{\Pi}$$

 $\Pi = 1 - \varepsilon \left(1 - \cos \Omega t\right) \sin kz + \varepsilon \sqrt{1 - \varepsilon^2} \sin \Omega t \cos kz - \varepsilon^2 \cos \Omega t$ 

$$\varepsilon = \frac{a}{c} \qquad \Omega = \sqrt{1 - \varepsilon^2} kc$$

$$u(x,t) = a \sin kz,$$

$$Z = X - Ct$$



#### Surfactant variation in field of sine wave ( $\epsilon = 0.6$ )



D = 0,  $\tau$  =  $\infty$  ,  $u_0^{}$  = 0.25 m/s







#### **Unsteady Solution**



**Standing Waves**  $u = a \sin kx \sin \omega t$ 

$$\frac{\Gamma(x,t)}{\Gamma_0} = \frac{1}{\cosh(2\delta \sin^2(\omega t/2)) + \cos kx \sinh(2\delta \sin^2(\omega t/2))}$$

 $\delta = ak/\omega$ 

$$\frac{\Gamma_{peak}}{\Gamma_0} = \exp(2\delta \sin^2(\omega t/2)), \quad (kx = \pi)$$




#### Influence of diffusion and relaxation

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (u(x,t)\Gamma) &= D \frac{\partial^2 \Gamma}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\Gamma_0 - \Gamma}{\tau}. \\ \Gamma &= \Gamma_0 \left( 1 + G(x,t) \right), \qquad G <<1, \\ \frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + \frac{G}{\tau} - D \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial x^2} &= -\frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial x}. \end{aligned}$$
$$G(x,t) &= -\int_0^t \int_{0-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\partial u(x',t')}{\partial x'} \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi D(t-t')}} \exp \left[ -\frac{t-t'}{\tau} - \frac{(x-x')^2}{4D(t-t')} \right] dt' dx'. \end{aligned}$$

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## **Finite Wave Disturbance**

$$\int_{G} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{G}{t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{u}{x} = 0$$

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D = 0,  $\tau$  =  $\infty$  ,  $u_0^{}$  = 21 cm/s







k(x-ct)

D = 100 m<sup>2</sup>/s,  $\tau = \infty$  s,  $u_0 = 21$  cm/s



#### Relaxation







D = 0,  $\tau$  = 180 s,  $u_0$  = 21 cm/s



Surfactant "wake" of wave packet  
$$u(x,t) = u_0 A(x - c_{gr}t) \exp[ik(x - c_{ph}t)] + c.c.$$

Two terms with short and long wavelengths:

$$\begin{split} \Lambda &= \lambda \frac{c_{gr}}{c_{ph} - c_{gr}} \\ G(x,t) &= \frac{u_0}{c_{gr}} \Big\{ A(x - c_{gr}t) \exp(ik(x - c_{ph}t)) - A(x) \exp(ikx) + \\ &+ ik \bigg( 1 - \frac{c_{ph}}{c_{gr}} \bigg) \exp\left(ikx \bigg[ 1 - \frac{c_{ph}}{c_{gr}} \bigg] \bigg) \int_{x}^{x - c_{gr}t} A(x') \exp\left(\frac{ikc_{ph}x'}{c_{gr}}\right) dx' \bigg\} + c.c \end{split}$$

#### **Internal Wave Packet**

#### $T = 30 \min$

 $c_{ph} = 0.42 \text{ m/s}$   $c_{gr} = 0.33 \text{ m/s}$ 



#### Surface Current Surfactant Concentration





x, km





## SESAME-1996 Shelf Edge Study Acoustic Measurement Experiment)





Ship tows: Thermistor chain and ADCP (DERA, NRL)



Internal Waves (Malin Shelf, 1996)

#### SESAME, Malin Shelf



Computed surface velocity



#### Surface Velocity

#### Concentration







# **Internal Soliton**



A = 0,11 m

Concentration







# **Conclusions:**

- Analytical Tests
- Unsteady effects
- Relaxation and Diffusion
- Influence on slick formation

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# **Pollutant Dynamics in Small Rivers**



## Rhum Production

# **Pollutant Dynamics in Small Rivers 1D** $\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + u(x,t)\frac{\partial C}{\partial x} = D\frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial x^2} - \frac{C}{\tau}$

### Pollutant Source at x = 0

 $C(x=0,t) = C_0(t)$ or  $D\frac{\partial C}{\partial x} = Q(t)$ 

## Far from Source

$$C(x \rightarrow \infty, t) \rightarrow 0$$

Initial Condition (t = 0)



Analytical Methods for Simplified Situations and Numerical Modeling for Real Situations

**The First Case**  $\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + u(x,t)\frac{\partial C}{\partial x} = D\frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial x^2} - \frac{C}{\tau}$ 

**1. Constant Flow: U 2. Permanent Source: C**<sub>0</sub> **Solution:**  $C(x) = C_0 \exp(-\mu x)$ 

$$D\mu^2 + u\mu - \frac{1}{\tau} = 0$$

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 Parallel Flow  
(u > 0)

i) No Diffusion 
$$L = \mu^{-1} = u\tau$$

#### ii) Almost Insoluble

$$L \approx \sqrt{D\tau} \rightarrow \infty$$

**Unsteady Process** 

$$D\mu^2 + u\mu - \frac{1}{\tau} = 0$$
 Counter Flow (u < 0)

## i) No Diffusion

**Unsteady Process** 

 $L = \frac{D}{|u|}$ 

#### ii) Almost Insoluble

## Steady Diffusion Relaxation Process in Variable Parallel Flow



## **Unsteady Process in Variable Flow**

Parallel flow, no diffusion

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = u(x,t)$$

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$$C(x,t) = C_0 \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^x \frac{dx'}{u(x')} \right] \left[ \left( t - \int_0^x \frac{dx'}{u(x')} \right) \right]$$
  
Constant flow Front of pollution source,  $x=ut$  coordinate





x=0