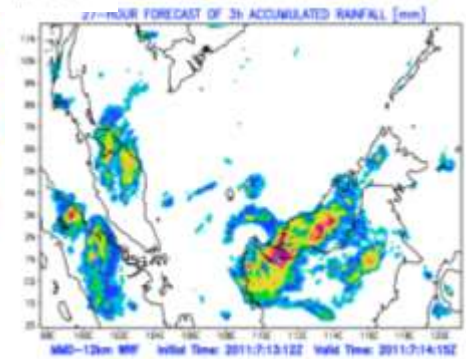
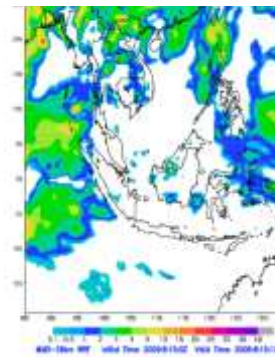
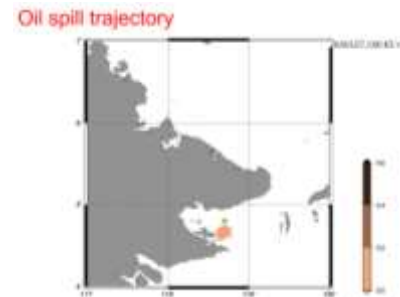


# PREDICTION OF OIL SPILL TRAJECTORY WITH THE MMD-JMA OIL SPILL MODEL



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# Introduction

**A total of 121 oil pollution cases in Malaysia had been reported between 2009 and December 2015. Fortunately, majority are small-scale.**

**The collision of tanker Nagasaki Spirit resulting in the discharge of approximately 13 000 tons of crude oil into the marine waters just off the coast of Sumatra and the northern resort island of Malaysia – Sep 1992**

**300 tonnes of oil spills after Malaysia ship collision – January 2017**



**Malaysia tackles 3km-wide tanker oil spill near Singapore – June 2017**

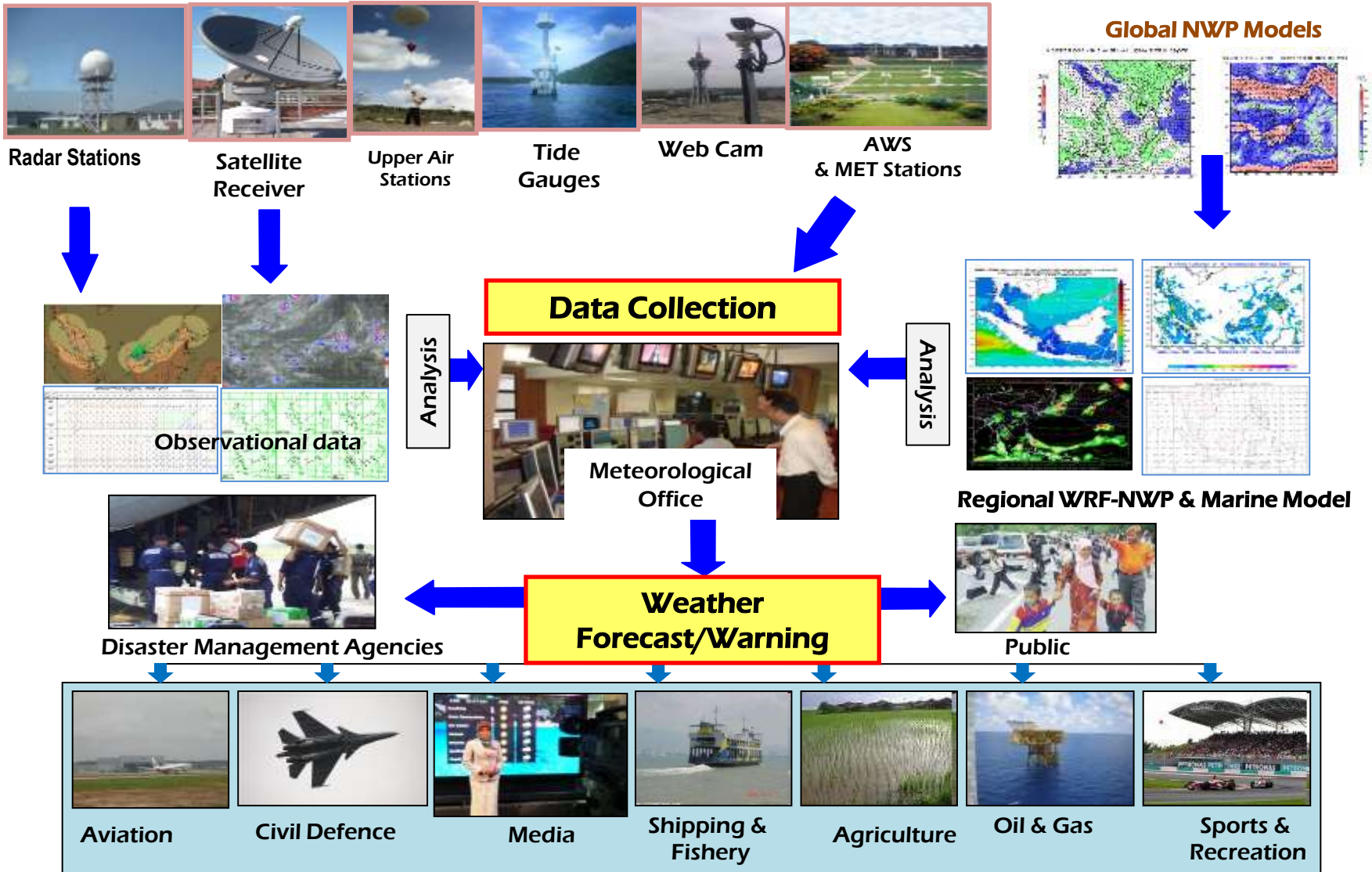
# Role of MMD

The Malaysian Meteorological Department(MMD) is the sole agency tasked with monitoring weather conditions and earthquake activities.

Forecasts/warnings of weather conditions are issued to assist the disaster management agencies to make informed decisions.

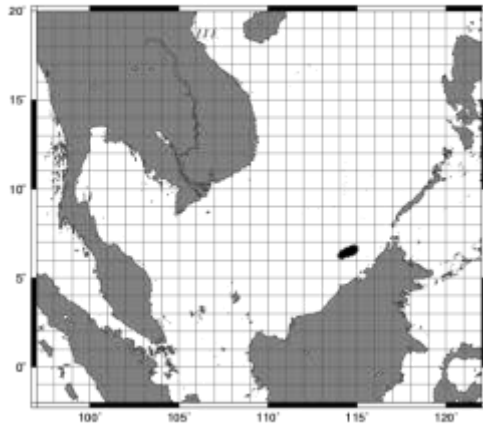
One of the important functions of MMD is to assist in oil spill contingency operation.

# Weather Monitoring & Forecasting System

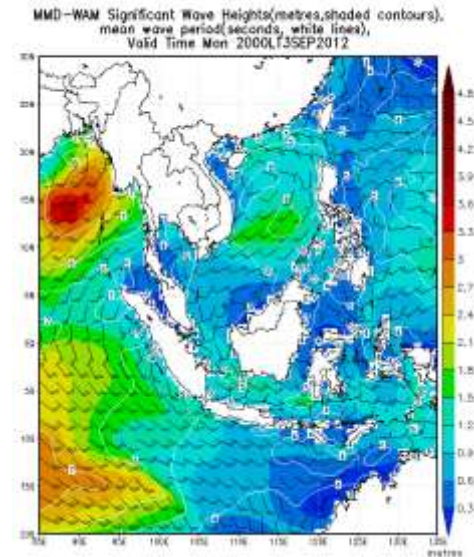


# Marine Numerical Models

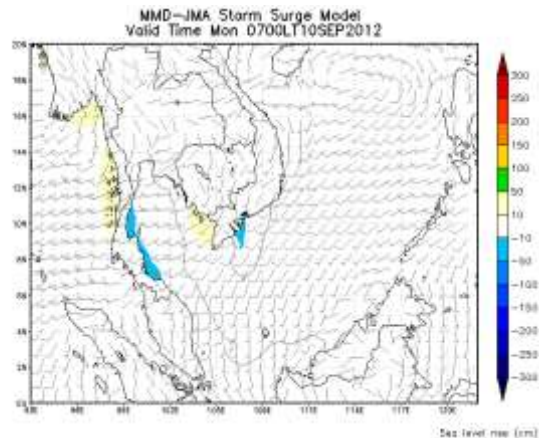
## MMD-JMA Oil Spill Model



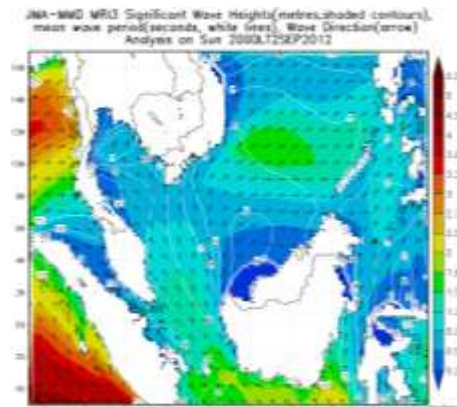
## MMD-WAM Wave Model



## MMD-JMA Storm Surge Model



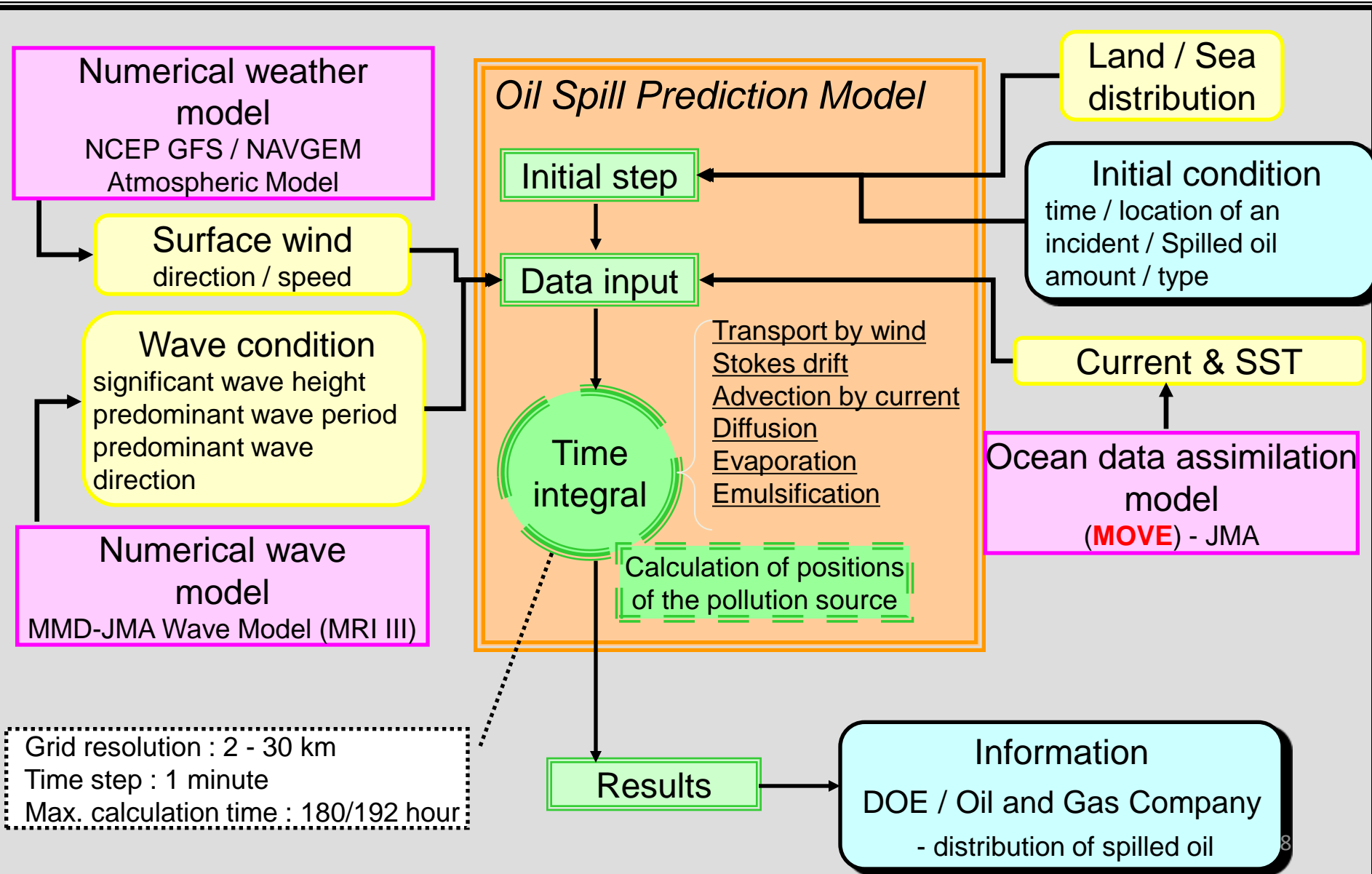
## MMD-JMA MRI III Wave Model



# **MMD-JMA Oil Spill Model (MJOSM)**

- **Developed by Japan Meteorological Agency (JMA)**
- **Written in FORTRAN 90**
- **Adapted for use in the Malaysian Meteorological Department in November 2010 (with permission of JMA)**
- **MJOSM is run as required (event-based )**

# Outline of the MJOSM





# Ocean Processes in MJOSM

- Only six main processes are considered:



# Advection and Horizontal Diffusion

## Advection

- Determined by the surface flow of the Wind  $U = (u,v)$
- “3%” rule is used – Surface flow = 0.025% of wind speed and the angle of  $15^\circ$
- Stokes Drift effect from the wave is also considered with deep water formula simplification
- Ocean current effect is considered using the Ocean Comprehensive Analysis System

## Horizontal Diffusion

- Diffusion treatment by Elliot (1986)
- Diffusion of parcel estimation by Random Walk Method

# Vertical Diffusion and Sinking , and Evaporation

## Vertical Diffusion and Sinking

- Sheer mechanism by Eliot (1986)
- Depends on oil particle size (Buoyancy)
- The oil drop motion – whether it remains in surface or sinking is determined

## Evaporation

- Evaporation rate is determined empirically, Fingas (1997)
- Logarithmic or root profile
- The constant coefficients were determined by experiment
- Coefficients from oil data catalogue by Environment Canada are used

# Emulsification & Floating of Spill Source

## Emulsification

- MJOSM uses emulsification formula from Mackay et al. (1980) and Reed (1989)

## Floating of spill source

- It is necessary to consider the movement of the spill source
- The air/sea floating ratio of the source is used to determine its movement by wind and current force of the ocean

# Inputs for MJOSM

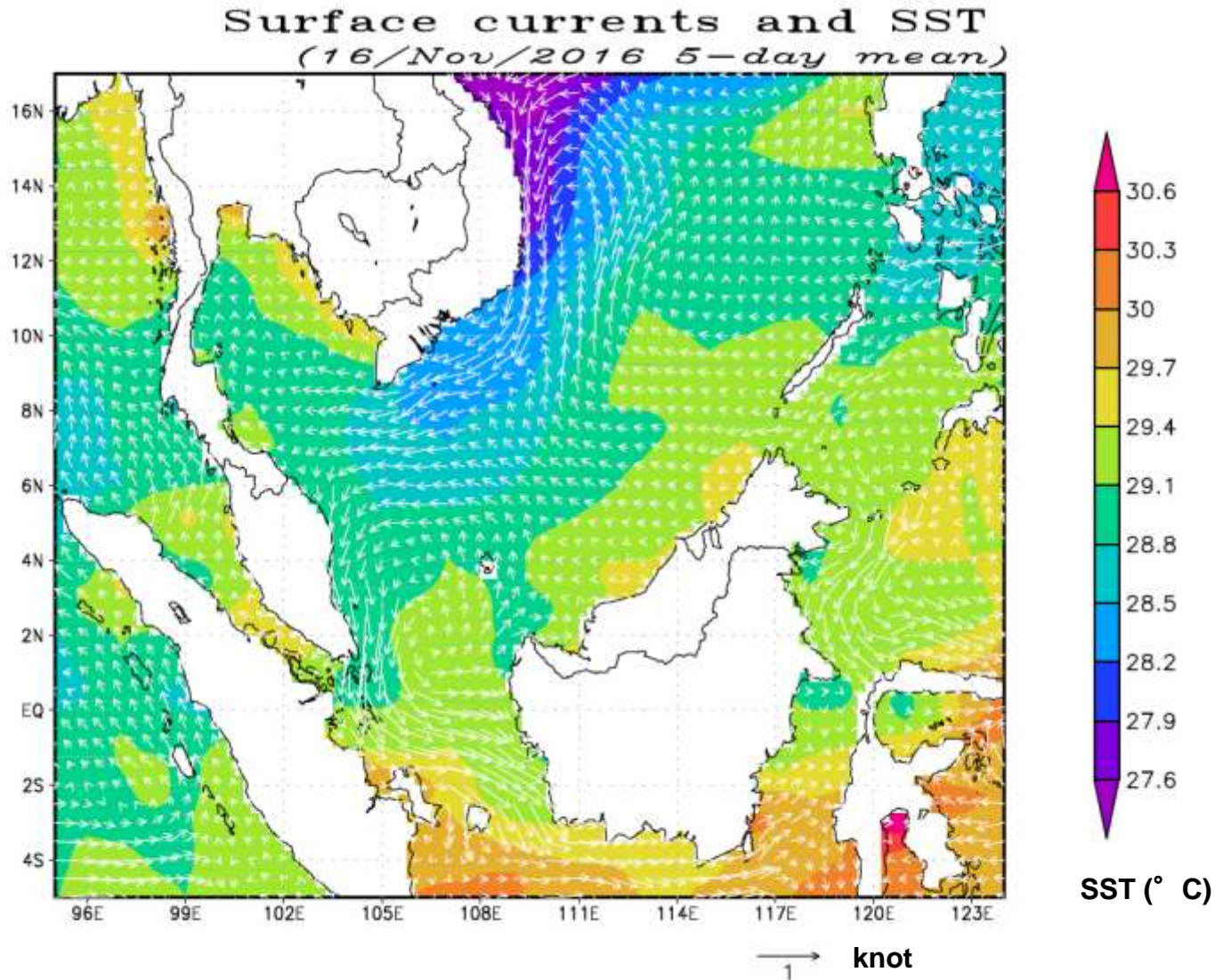
## 1. Model Configuration and Forecast Data

- Wind(NCEP GFS / NAVGEM), wave from MMD-JMA MRI III and Current & Sea Surface Temperature (MOVE – JMA )
- Number of grid points
- Domain
- Resolution
- Output time steps
- Forecast time of oil spill trajectory

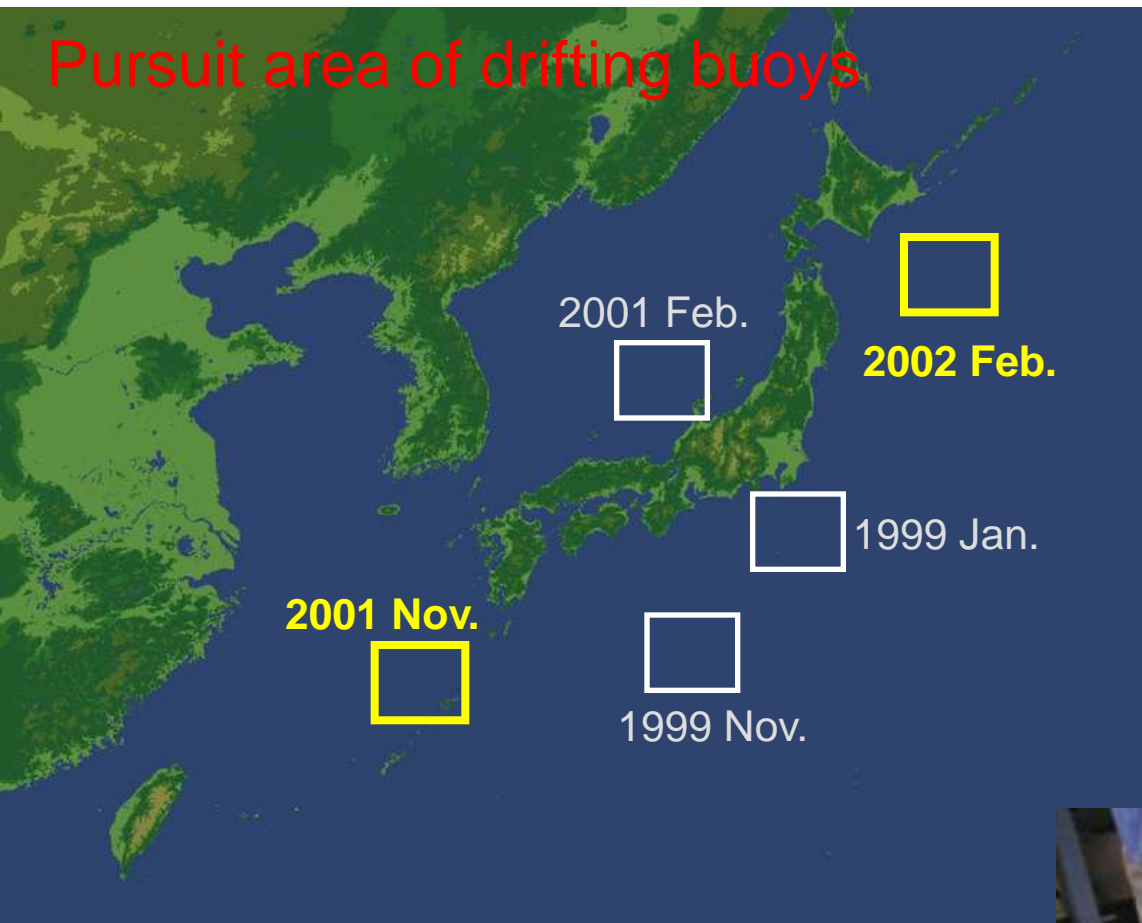
## 2. Incident info : from DoE or other agency

- Coordinates of oil spill-----→ needs to be updated
- Date and time of occurrence
- Amount of spill(kl)
- Rate of spill(kl/h)
- Type of oil

# Output from Ocean Current Model JMA-MOVE



## Pursuit area of drifting buoys



Verification by JMA using  
*Drifting Buoy*



Standard : drifting buoy for oil spill tracking

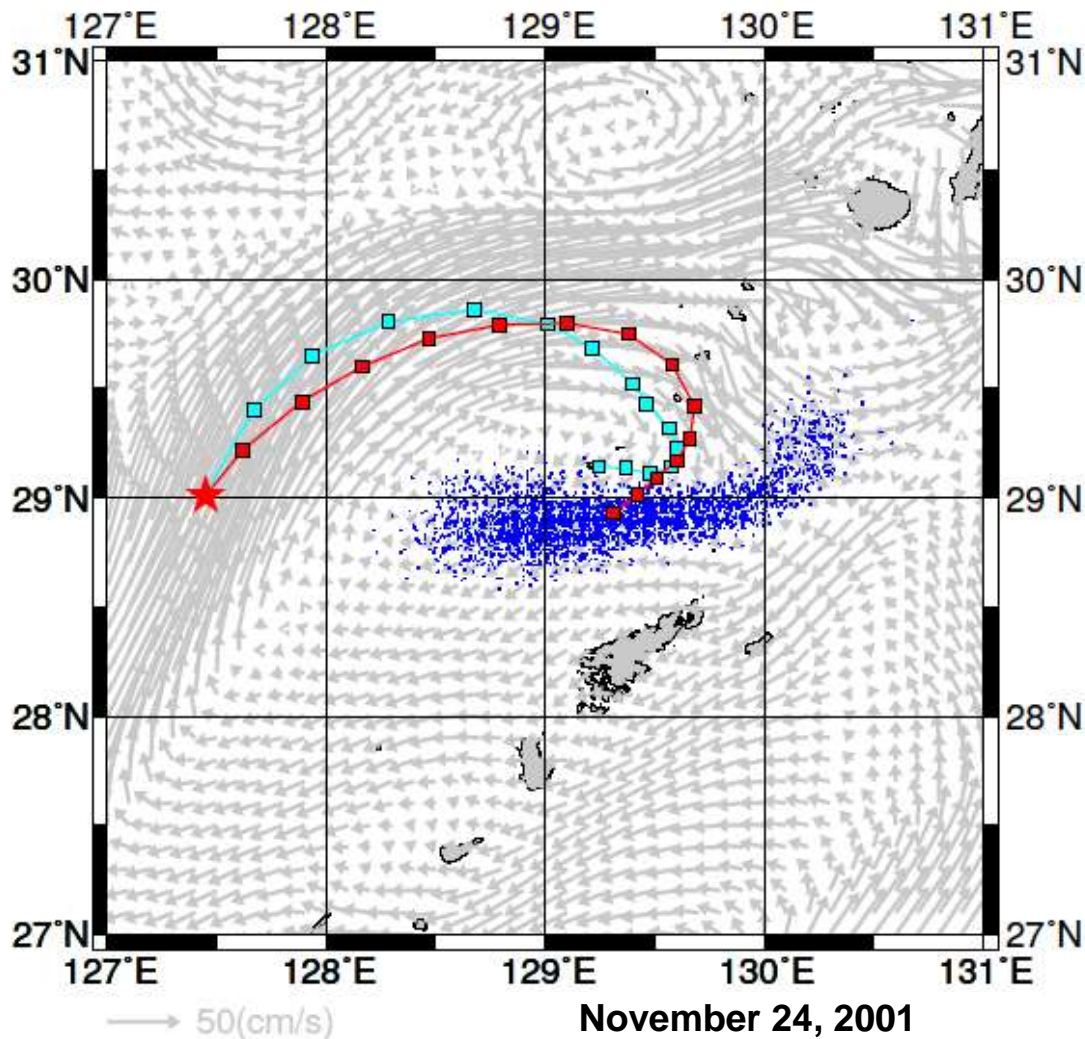
radius : 20 cm

thickness : 5 cm



weight : 4 kg

material : expanded polyester

# Verification of Oil Spill Model



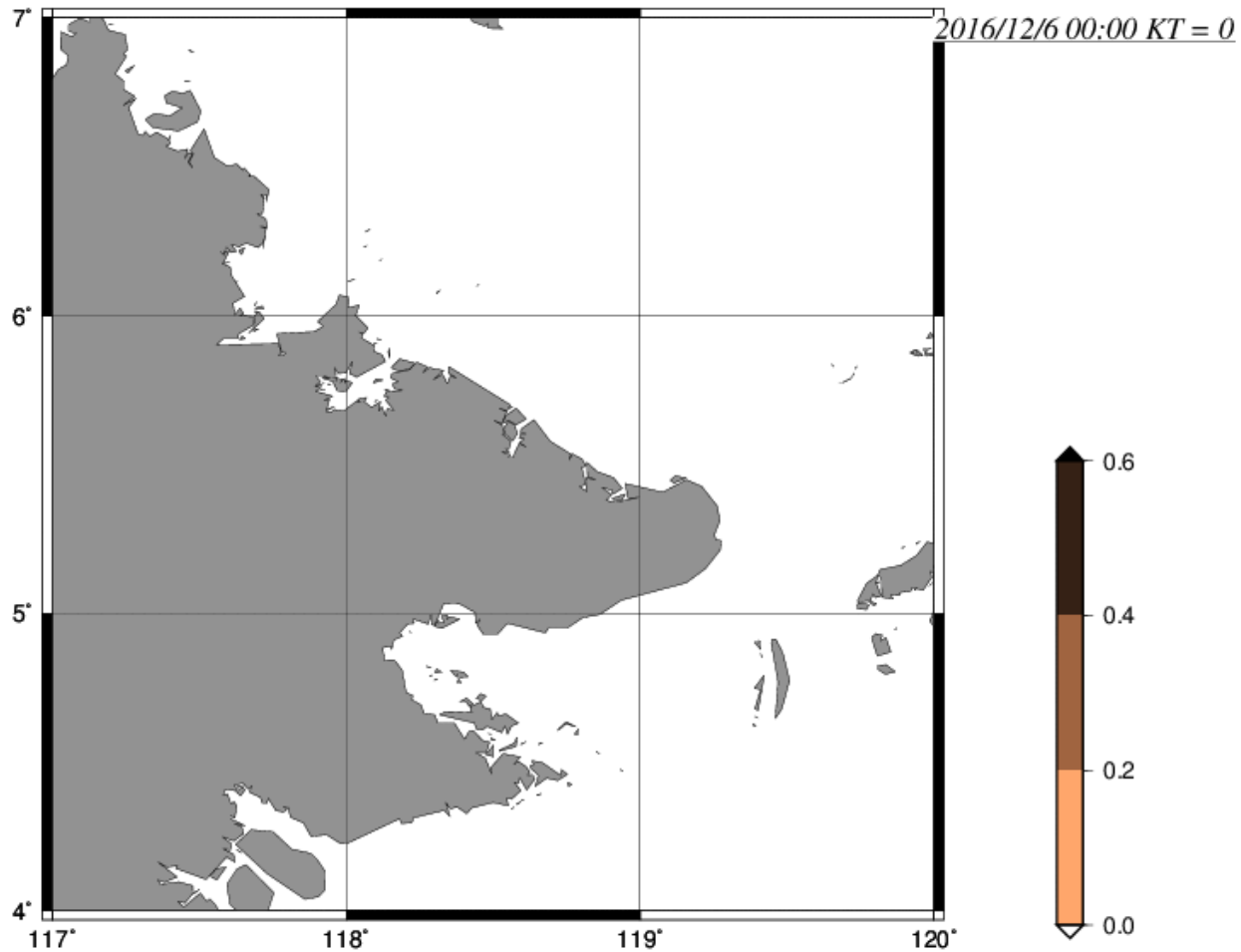
MJOSM can be used to predict “drifting object trajectory” when “diffusion process” is not considered - Useful for marine SAR .

-  : track of oil pursuit buoy
-  : simulation of MOVE-WNP and Oil Spill Model



# Graphical Outputs

- Oil spill trajectory



## Way Forward

- 1. Use high resolution data from numerical weather prediction model(MMD-WRF) as inputs.**
- 2. Use more in-situ observational data to calibrate MJOSM.**
- 3. Run regional current model as input into MJOSM for a more realistic forecast.**
- 4. Run multiple scenarios using different wind, wave and current inputs.**

# Conclusion

- MJOSM is an open source modelling software.
- Close collaboration with JMA since 2008 helps MMD in operationalising MJOSM.
- MMD is always ready to provide forecast of oil spill and drifting object trajectory based on the correct and the latest information:
  - Location
  - Time
  - Amount
  - Type

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