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Peruvian Sea Level Network”



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# General Information

More than 3,000 km of coast.

Irregular y different topography.

Many tide amplituds along the coast

Important recurrent events, mainly ENZO.



# Tide Gauge

Automatic Stations  
2001



10 SUTRON sensor  
Send data hourly

Automatic Stations  
2010



10 Radar Sensors  
Send data in real time

The Future...

- Install a GVAR station to integrate an standar network for tide gauges and meteorological information (this year)
- Extend our tide network with 17 new stations (2012- 2015)

*Tsunami warning system*

*National Network*



## We used for

- Vertical Datums
- Correct chart soundings, Tide streams
- Lunar phases relationships.
- Navigation, acuatic sports, port activities safety, also to alert in case of Tsunamis or important sea changes.
- Study harmonics to make anual predictions and information for numeric models (sediment transport, currents).



## We used for

- Make statistics of anomalous waves, this information is commercialized and used in our Hydrographic Service to make sea predictions.
- Cientific investigations like:
  - ENZO
  - Register to determine the Tsunami timeline.
  - Register sea perturbations and seiches,
  - Sea level variation related to earthquakes
  - Climate changes.



## Our Future

- Redundancy sensors in tide stations (pressure sensors and radar sensors)
- Work with 17 tide automatic stations
- Use DRGS.



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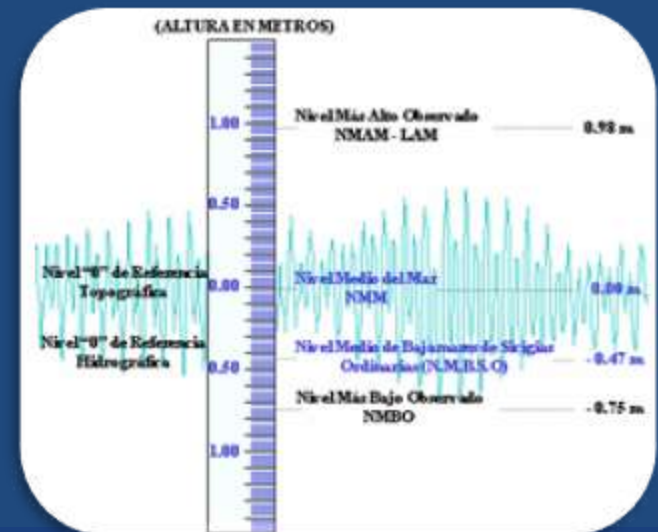
## 2 Datums and Bench Marks

The Datums are based in data collected in a lunar cycle (19 years)

Each six months we make bench mark nivelations in all our tide stations

Principal Datums:

- Mean Sea Level
- Mean low water springs is used in our Hydrographic Service for chart datums (all scales) and tide predictions
- River and estuaries datum does't have clear standards.





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## 3 Harmonics

Basic information which should include: tide station name, code, country, timezone, source, date, datum, list of components, kind of sensor and responsible

## 4 Prediction tide table



Our Digital Tide table is been made, (finished this year).

Símbolo	Amplitud (cm)	Fase (°)	Símbolo	Amplitud (cm)	Fase (°)
<i>Semidiurnas</i>			BET <sub>1</sub>	0.1802	232.78
M <sub>2</sub>	23.5878	213.91	CHI <sub>1</sub>	0.1388	58.53
S <sub>2</sub>	8.0014	184.05	UPS <sub>1</sub>	0.1261	304.77
N <sub>2</sub>	6.4016	166.90	2Q <sub>1</sub>	0.1272	202.64
K <sub>2</sub>	2.5371	326.60	PSI <sub>1</sub>	0.1212	37.78
Mu <sub>2</sub>	1.3142	232.3	ALP <sub>1</sub>	0.0906	205.70
Nu <sub>2</sub>	1.1720	254.37	<i>De periodo largo</i>		
2N <sub>2</sub>	0.8752	111.00	S <sub>a</sub>	11.5554	243.04
L <sub>2</sub>	0.7509	17.23	Ssa	3.9331	115.94
EPS <sub>2</sub>	0.4848	167.34	M <sub>1</sub>	1.5148	122.49
H <sub>2</sub>	0.3832	318.56	Mm	1.2273	113.35
T <sub>2</sub>	0.3740	349.09	MS <sub>r</sub>	1.1744	144.22
LDA <sub>2</sub>	0.2595	329.73	MS <sub>m</sub>	0.9571	66.45
ETA <sub>2</sub>	0.2406	11.43	<i>Componentes armónicos de mareas en aguas superficiales (efecto local)</i>		
MSN <sub>2</sub>	0.2014	34.58	M <sub>3</sub>	0.6187	258.02
MKS <sub>2</sub>	0.1547	110.98	S <sub>a</sub>	0.2812	118.58
OQ <sub>2</sub>	0.1541	95.78	SK <sub>3</sub>	0.2599	285.69
R <sub>2</sub>	0.0625	309.94	2MS <sub>6</sub>	0.2492	179.10
<i>Diurnas</i>			2MK <sub>6</sub>	0.1749	337.21
K <sub>1</sub>	15.0296	114.50	SO <sub>3</sub>	0.1488	151.68
O <sub>1</sub>	7.1453	161.40	MK <sub>4</sub>	0.1376	329.81
P <sub>1</sub>	4.4837	140.13	M <sub>6</sub>	0.1271	179.53
Q <sub>1</sub>	1.0874	110.16	MO <sub>3</sub>	0.1301	131.85
J <sub>1</sub>	0.9759	158.63	MK <sub>3</sub>	0.1202	38.42
NO <sub>1</sub>	0.9143	70.43	2MK <sub>5</sub>	0.1040	264.76

The “digital tide table” for Peruvian ports is an anual publication since 1946, actually we have predictions for 22 ports in Peru.



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## 5 Tide data exchange

- We are the only institution in Peru which collects tide data.
- We share data and other information with another WG (GLOSS, PSMSL, JASL-UHSLC) and countries
- We are interested in share and receive tide information use all channels (mail, internet, ftp)

## 6 World tide observation network

- Tide data should be one of the most reliable source in the world, the storage to conserve it would be used in many cases, like navigation and science.
- Is very important to make efforts for extend the tide data all over the world
- We recognize and value the installation of three Tide stations in Peru by the University of Hawaii.



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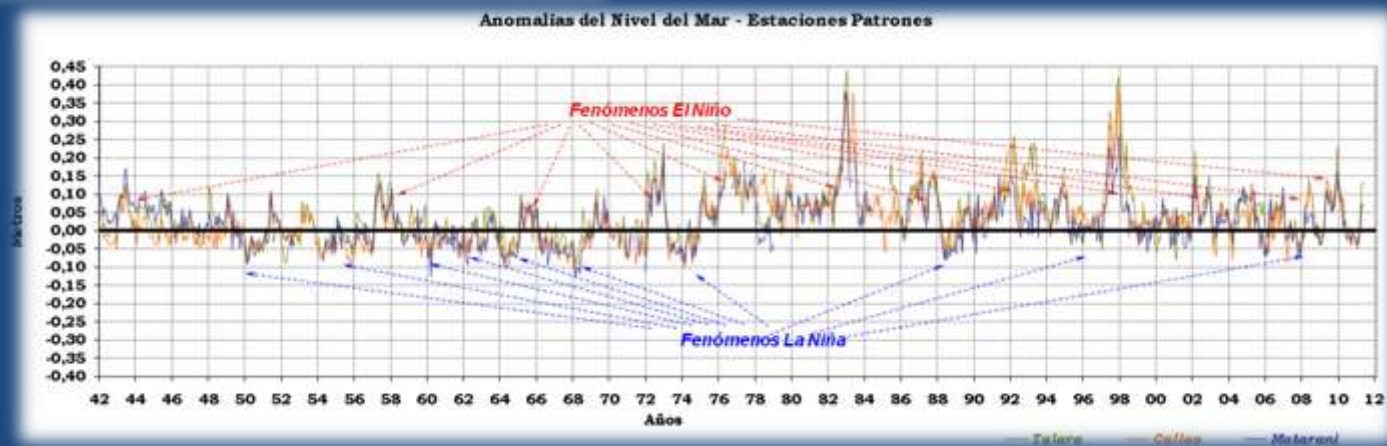
## 7 Global Sea Level Rise

- The sea level rise produces many negative consequences like floods, coast variation, lost buildings, ecologic damages and more.
- It's necessary to obtain data from long periods (40-60 years) witch could be able to determinate the sea level rise in a timeline
- Long periods tide data provides more reliable global numeric models related with climates, to make better predictions and take decitions to mitigate them.
- We determine, based in data about 69 years ago, a sea level rise, faster at ENZO event. Now we saw a rise of 10 cm in these 69 years.
- However, we recommend tu use GPS to see differences between vertical movements and sea level changes.



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## 8 Tsunami Alerts

- To improve our Tsunami warning center, we've installed 10 tide stations with radar sensors which transmit data in live. they also have a camera to see changes in waves. Moreover we are planning to install 6 more this year.
- Related to tide network, we make a solicitude from NOAA to obtain High Frequency Channels, to transmit regional data in live via GOES.



# Conclusions

- It's priority to have long period tide data mainly for climate change investigations.
- Tide stations must have two sensors workin in parallel to compare data, witch makes more reliable the Infomation about Tsunamis.
- New Technology in tide gauges makes benefits in time and money. Also gives more precition in data.
- It's very important to consider courses or seminaries about tides, in our case we need knowledges related with tidal streams.
- We reccomend to consider more standards about vertical datums for rivers and estuaries



Thanks!

