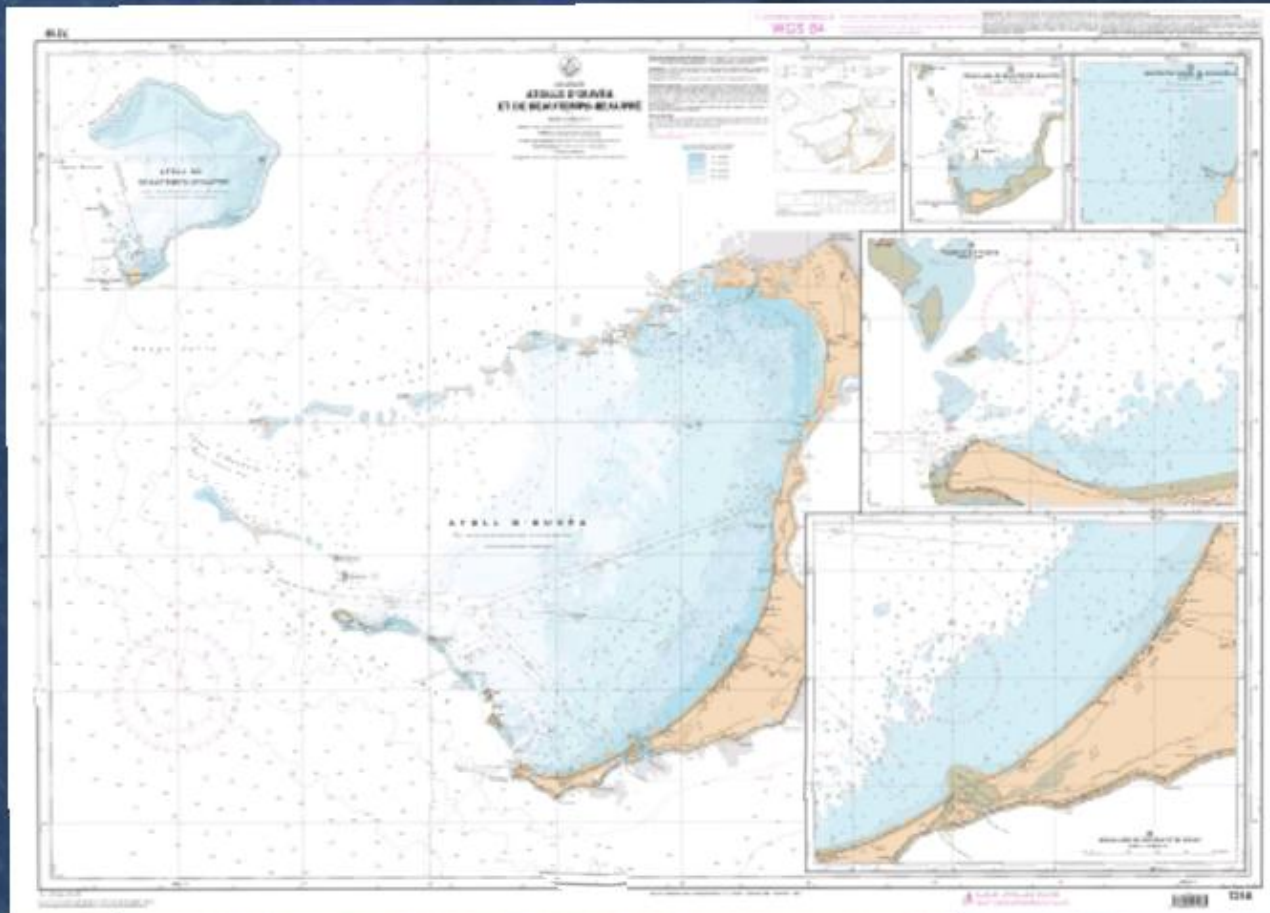


# Satellite Derived Bathymetry



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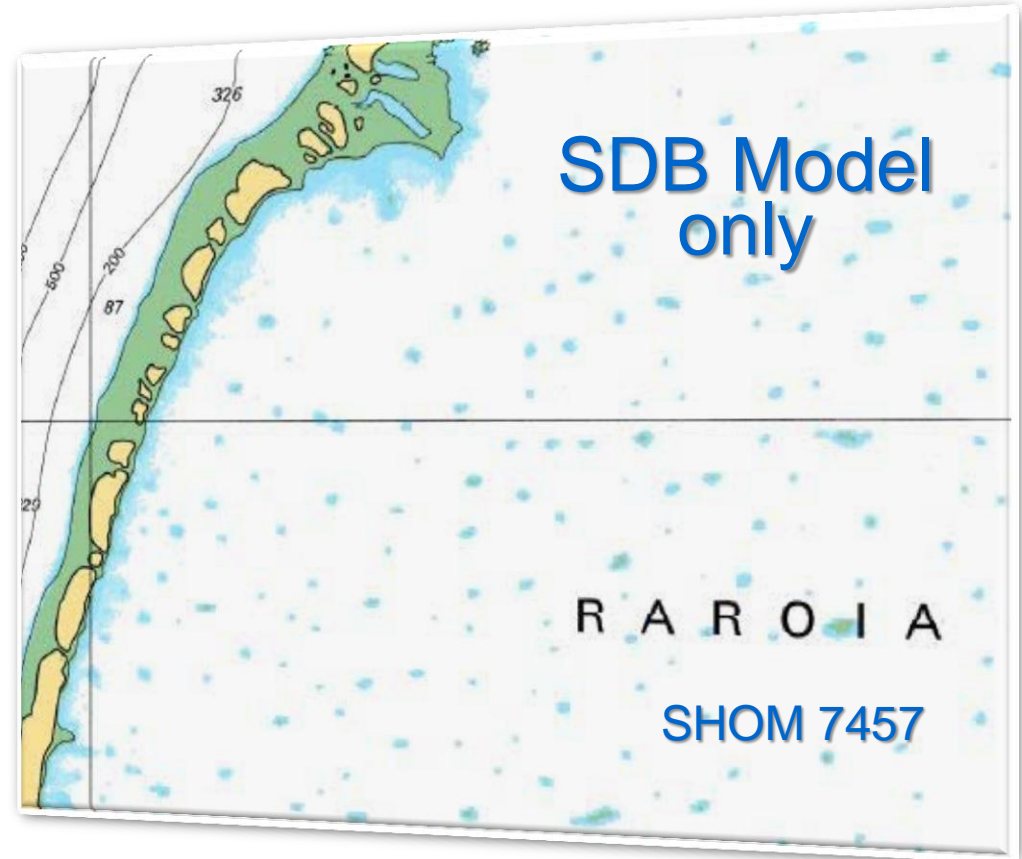
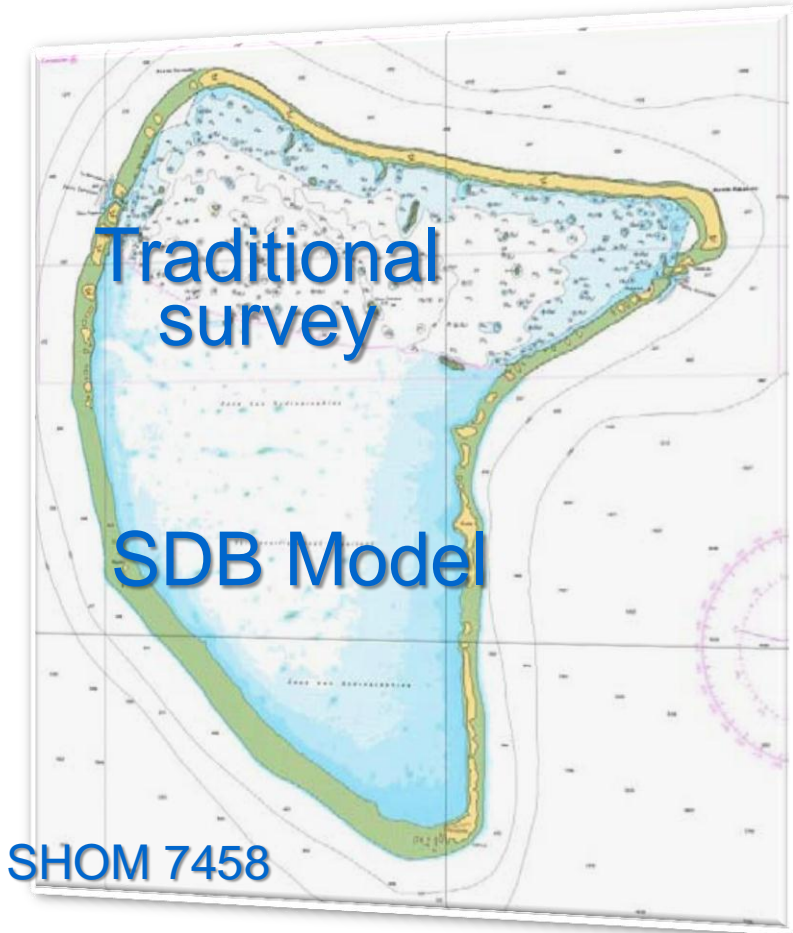
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20°31'48.09"S 166°28'33.09"E élév. -5 m

Altitude 123.21 km



# Over 100 SDCs supported by field surveys



# Performances Feedback

- ✦ **Horizontal precision:**
  - **10m average**, in the case of spatiotriangulated contiguous blocks without GPS control points
  - **10m average**, in the case of an orthorectified image with GPS control points
  - **2m locally**, with HR images and dense network of control points
  
- ✦ **Vertical precision:**
  - (with properly calibrated Lyzenga model)
  - **Up to 30%** depth uncertainty in the **[0-5m]** layer
  - **10%** depth average uncertainty in the **[5-20m]** layer



# Performances Shortcomings

- ✦ **Bottom investigation remains *uncomplete*:**
  - *Features not always detected and/or difficult to determine (bottom roughness badly replicated by the model)*
- ✦ **Depth of penetration: 1x Secchi depth**  
***20m on average, exceptionally 30m***
- ✦ **Processing time:**
  - *Manual checks of automated processes and data validation are painstaking and still require an hydrographic surveyor's supervision*
- ✦ **Ground control (Control points and control survey lines):**
  - *Indispensable and relatively **costly***

# Average performances of sensors

✦ *In very shallow waters < 10m*

	Acoustic (EM 2040)	Lidar (CZMIL)	Satellite (Pleiades XS)
Spatial XY resolution (m)	0.2	0.5	2
Spatial Z resolution (m)	0.1	0.2	1
Density (measures /m <sup>2</sup> )	<b>25</b>	4	0.25
Total Horizontal Uncertainty (m)	<b>0.5</b>	1	10
Total Vertical Uncertainty (m)	<b>0.2</b>	0.3	30% to 10% of depth

*Rough assessment – non contractual figures*

# Costs & Effective performances

✦ *In very shallow waters < 10m*

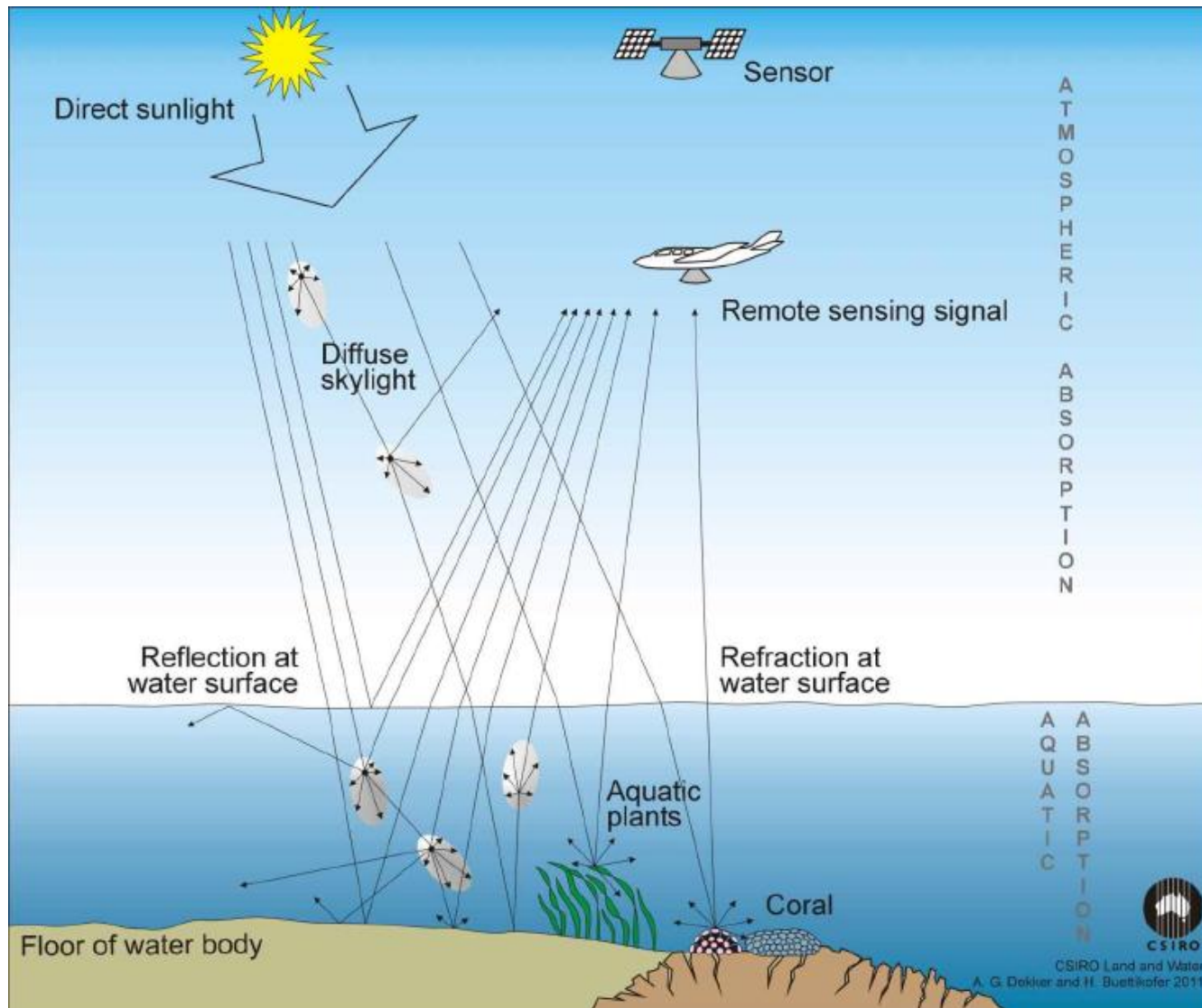
	Acoustic (EM 2040)	Lidar (CZMIL)	Satellite (Pleiades XS)
Survey (€ per sq. km)	2,500	1,500	5
Survey (sq. km per hour)	0.14	13	Archive
Duration (hour per sq. km)	7	0.08	0
Processing (hour per sq. km)	21	4	3
Total Cost (€ per sq. km)	3,340	1,660	<b>125</b>
Total Duration (hour per sq. km)	28	4	<b>3</b>

*Rough estimates – non contractual figures*

# What improvements ?

- ✦ Further development and implementation of production tools, to **improve performances** and to **limit *in-situ* costly surveys**:
- ✦ *Test inversion methods in production, against Lyzenga's . Benchmarking and implementation if proven better.*
- ✦ *Test & implement new sensors and processes.*

# The conceptual physics-based model for shallow waters





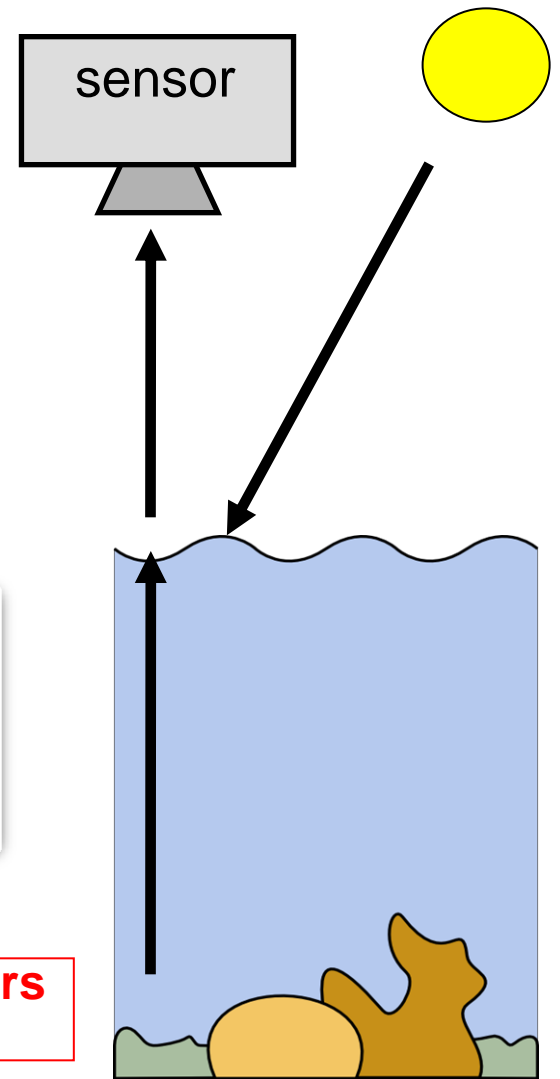
# The physics-based Inversion Method

- ✦ *May work without any in-situ data*
- ✦ *Is based on physical geometry and radiative transfer theory*
- ✦ *A set of equations predict what the sensor receives – they are ‘inverted’ to estimate depth from sensor data:*

$$r_{rs}(\lambda) \approx r_{rs}^{dp}(\lambda) \left( 1 - \exp \left\{ - \left[ \frac{1}{\cos \theta_w} + \frac{D_u^C(\lambda)}{\cos \theta} \right] \kappa(\lambda) H \right\} \right) + \frac{1}{\pi} \rho(\lambda) \exp \left\{ - \left[ \frac{1}{\cos \theta_w} + \frac{D_u^B(\lambda)}{\cos \theta} \right] \kappa(\lambda) H \right\}$$

Sensor receives this

Depth in meters



Hedley & al. 2011, Remote Sensing of Environment 120, 145-155

# How should we concentrate efforts ?

***Global assessment of areas where SDB is applicable and cost-efficient***

***To manage **data uncertainties** from sensors to charts (errors budget) (especially when there is no in-situ data)***

***Taking into account **acquisition delays** (it can take time to get fresh and good enough images ...)***

# How should we concentrate efforts ?

- ✦ **To identify *environmental limits*:**
- ✦ **Water surface state, clouds and turbidity are still challenges for image processing.**



Somewhere,  
in French Guyana