

Engineering

To be given as handouts

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Engineering Background

Our mission is to push the limits of ocean observing platforms and sensors to advance NOAA research

- Committed service group of ~18:(Avg. PMEL tenure~12 years)
- Cross-trained in mechanics, electronics, software, manufacturing, science, sensors, leadership & mission management
- Involved in >90% of the Lab's fieldwork
- Customers: Ocean & Atmospheric Researchers, Program Managers, NOAA operations, Industry Partners



Background

Technology Innovators of the Tropical Moored Buoy Array, DART Array & Emerging Carbon Observatory

Opportunity?

- Science drivers, mission requirements, fund raising
- Technology Vision to meet Science Goals
- Partnerships: Fostering productive relationships

Build

- Engineering innovation & design
- Prototypes
- Field testing –local & full ocean depths
- Transition Evaluation

Launch

- Scientific evaluation & feedback
- Fabrication, integration, deployment
- Science & Engineering publications







Quality

Partnerships: Working together to build solutions

CRADAs:

- Battelle: pco2 system development (2012)
- Paros Scientific: ultra-low powered sensors (2012)
- Liquid Robotics: wave gliders for ocean science (2013)
- Saildrone: unmanned surface vessels/sensors (2014)

Patent Filings:

"Mooring Cable for Transmitting Ocean Data" (2013)
 -Jointly with Cortland Cable Inc.

Patent License:

SAIC DART & DART-ETD systems ('08-'14)

Special Studies Agreements:

DART-ETD technical transfer (2010) DART-4G technical transfer (2014)

MOU's:

- US Intelligence Agency: Arctic Concept of Ops (2009)
- Australia BOM: Easy-to-Deploy Moorings (2010)
- UW-Regional Scales Nodes: Sub-sea volcano systems (2011)
- CSIRO: Buoy system development (2012)
- CSIR: Carbon Wave Glider transfer (2012)
- US Army Yakima Training Center: UAS Flight Operations (2010-2014)
- TE Subcom & Subpartners: Dual-use telecom repeaters(2014)

NOAA Tech Transfer Awards:

DART Tsunami Technology (2008) pCO2 measurements (2011)





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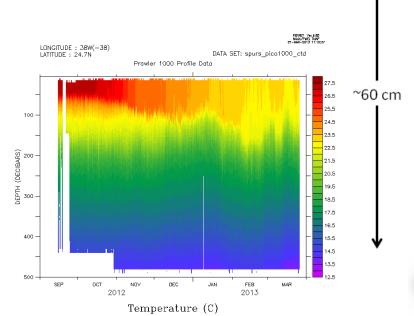
"PRAWLER" (Profiler+Crawler): Profiles on Mooring Lines

Uses wave energy for locomotion

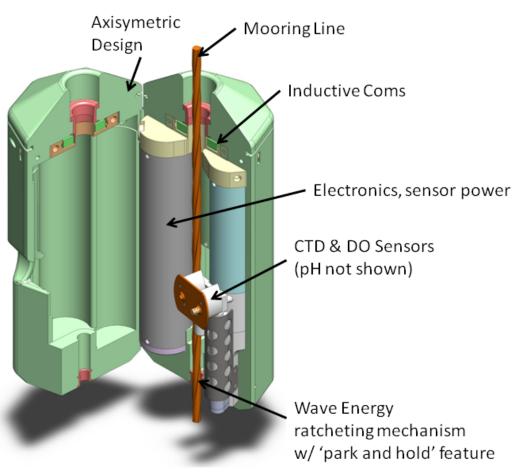
CTD(proven), DO (testing) sensors

Realtime communications





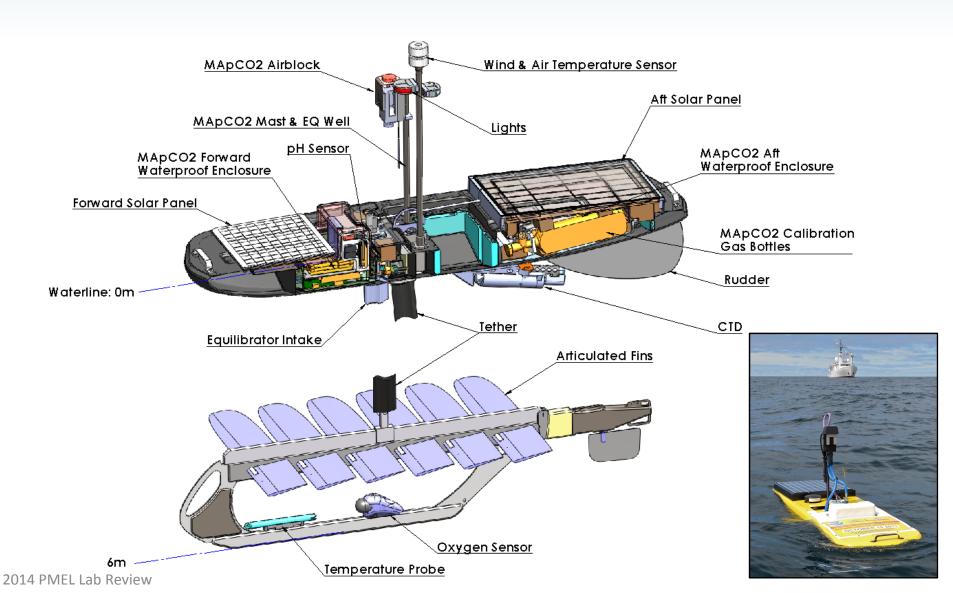
Carbon PRAWLER



1500 profiles in 6 months

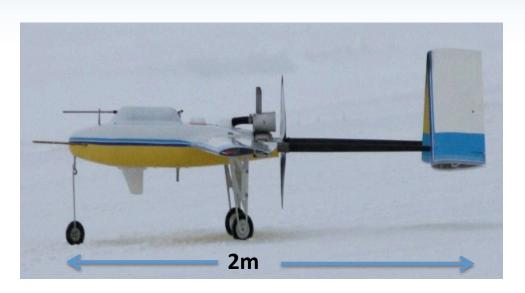
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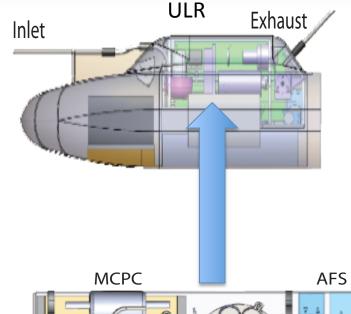
Carbon Wave Glider: Unmanned Surface Vehicle



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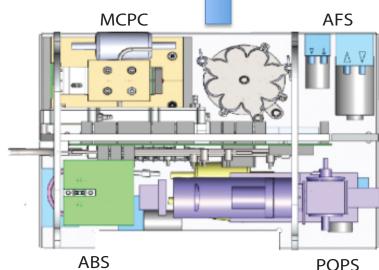
MANTA UAS: NOAA/PMEL-ESRL/CSD Aerosol Sampler





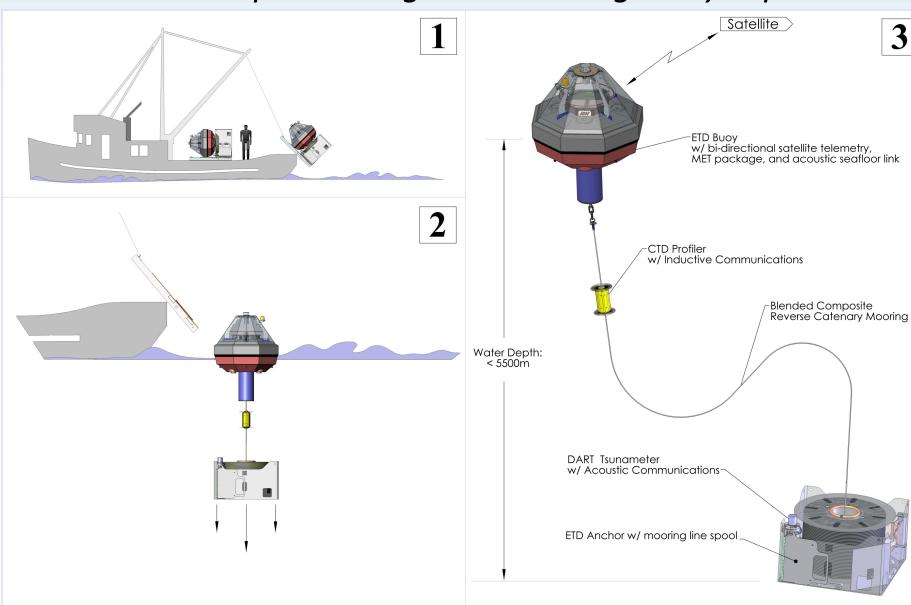
Partnering with Industry, Government & Academia:

- Mixing Condensation Particle Counter (MCPC) -PMEL
- 2. Aerosol Absorption Spectrometer (ABS) -PMEL
- 3. Aerosol Filter Sampler (AFS) -PMEL
- 4. Printed Optical Particle Spectrometer (POPS) GAO-ESRL/CSD
- 5. Upward Looking Radiometer (ULR) Murphy –ESRL/CSD



Performance

Innovation coupled with global mooring array experience



Performance Buoy Operations Cost Savings



- •A typical 40' container has space for only 1-2 conventional moorings but can hold <20 ETD systems
- •Simplified operations with smaller/cheaper vessels of opportunity





Future

Cost Effective & Innovative Platforms and Sensors to Provide Data for Important Science and Societal Needs

Engineering Trends:

- •Organizational flexibility: Required to respond to needs & opportunities
- •New Sensors: Ultra-low cost chip level sensors for ocean research
- •Moorings are still important: Improvement endurance & reduce costs
- •Increased automation: Realtime command & control; autonomous decision making
- 'Robots Deploying Robots'

Observing Systems:

- Enhanced Arctic Observing System (< 5yrs)
 - •Extremely challenging environment, shiptime expensive
 - Several vehicle developments underway
 - New low-cost moorings for large spatial coverage



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