



Building with Nature als kustbeschermingsstrategie

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Hoog Water Besch

Short BWN excursion - Zeeland

POV wadde

PROJECT
OVERSTIJGENDE
VERKENNING
HWBP



Onderzoeksplan 11 - procesinnovati

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| Verantwoordelijk programmateamlid | Wette |
| Opsteller(s) | Arend Arjen I |
| Versie | Definitief |
| Datum | 5 augustus 2015 |

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Rijke-dijk in practice

Sint-Annaland, t=5 months



Tim van Oijen



Kansen voor een rijke dijk
Building for Nature



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Oesterdam sand nourishment



Matthijs Boersema

- 350.000 m³ sand, Nov. 2013

Wave damping
For 25 year



Ecosystem
preservation



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Vegetation-Based Coastal Defense: opportunities & limitations



| Onderzoeksplan 11 - procesinnovatie Dijk met voorland | |
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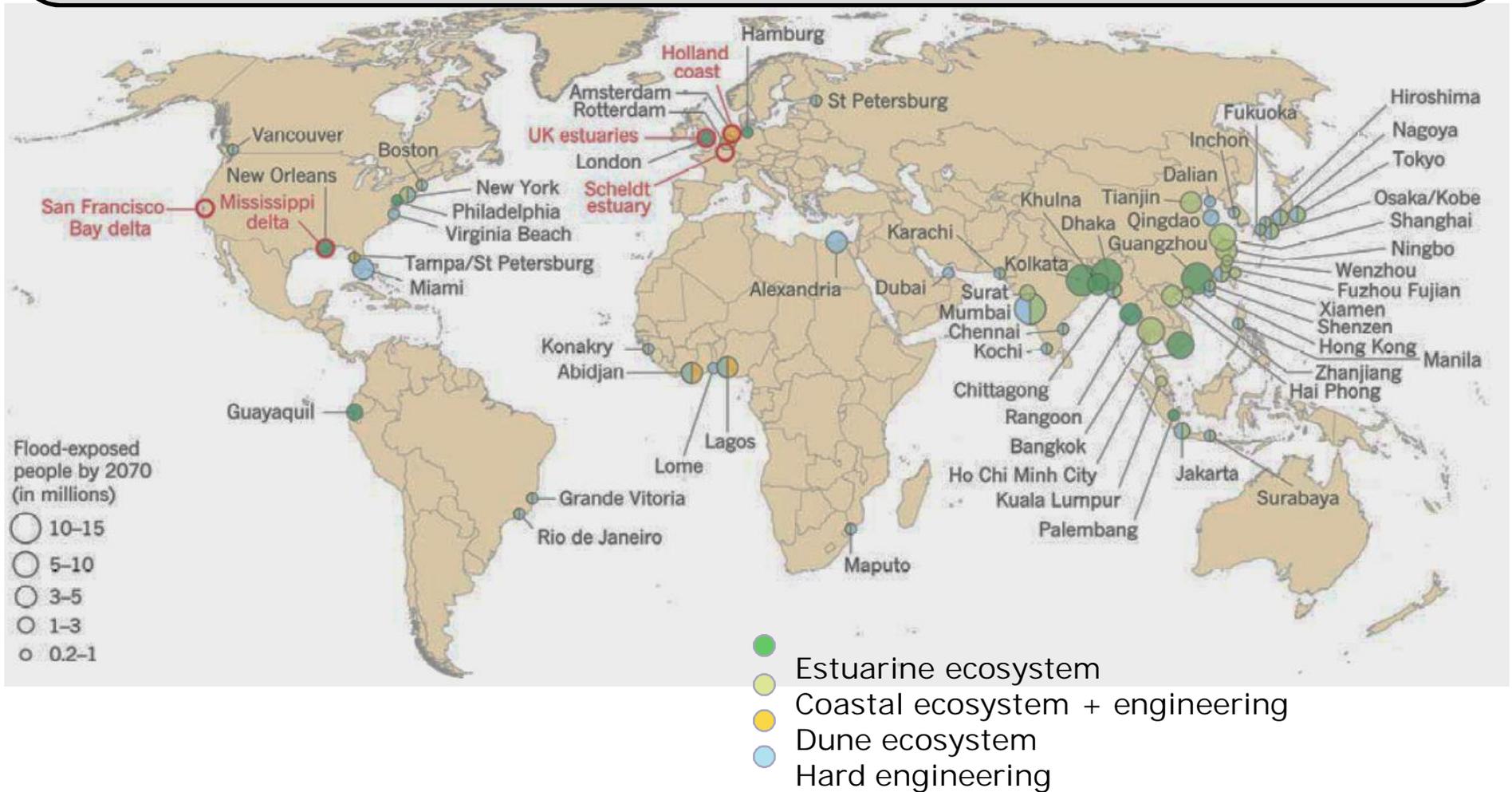
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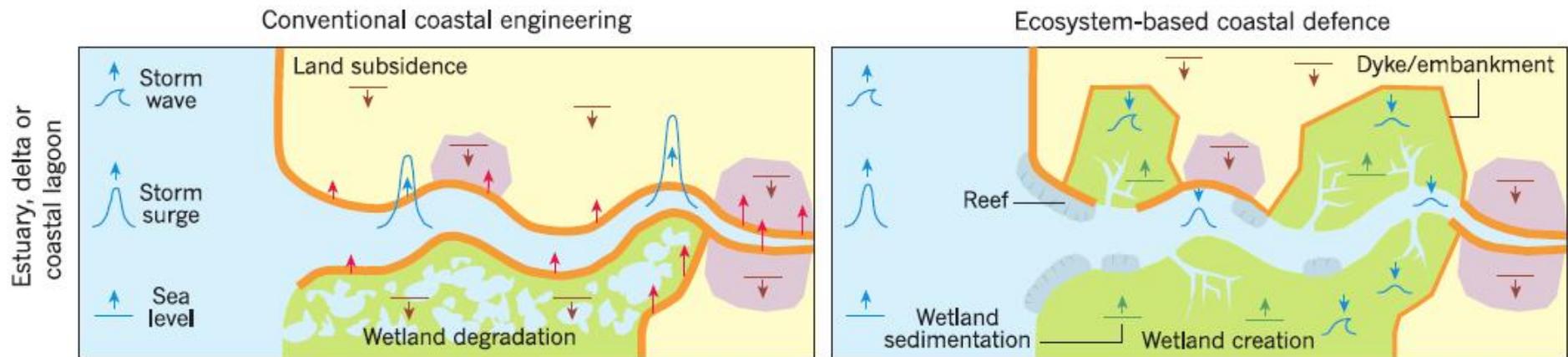
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Sea Level Rise & Climate Change & subsidence →
 Mega cities endangered by drowning in 2070
 → need for new *cost effective* coastal defense



Temmerman et al. (2013) Nature

Towards a new coast ?



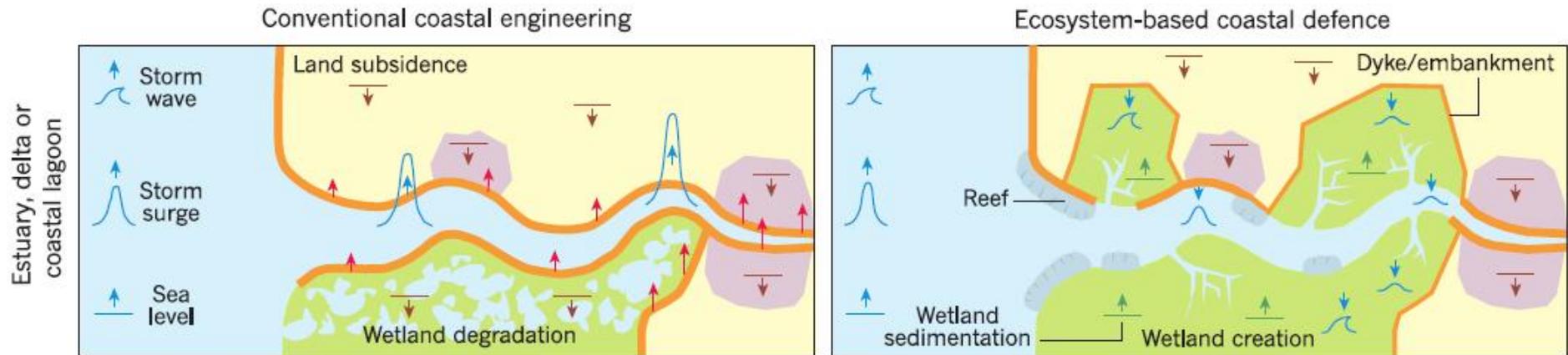
1) Which ecosystems to use?

Ecosystems suitable for coastal defense:



Intertidal coastal vegetation → most suitable !!!
high in intertidal → stronger wave attenuation

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- 1) Which ecosystems to use? → *intertidal veg.*
- 2) Effective under extreme conditions?

Wave attenuation by marshes: → *also works under extreme conditions*



Möller I, Kudella M, Rupprecht F, Spencer T, Paul M, van Wesenbeeck BK, Wolters G, Jensen K, Bouma TJ, Miranda-Lange M, Schimmels S (2014) Wave attenuation over coastal salt marshes under storm surge conditions. *Nature GeoScience* 727-731

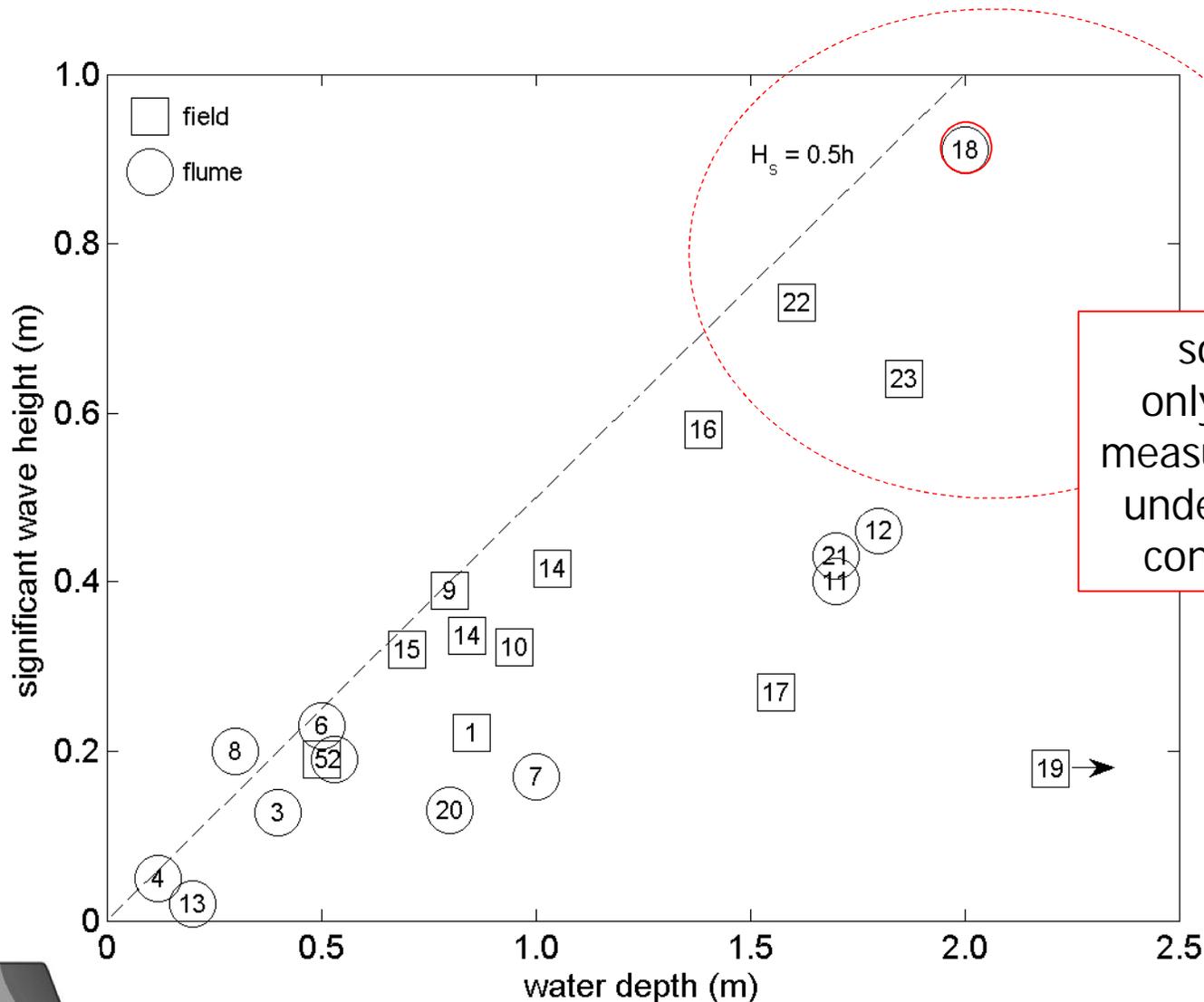


330 m long, 7 m deep, 5 m wide

Wave attenuation by vegetation literature – few data on big storms



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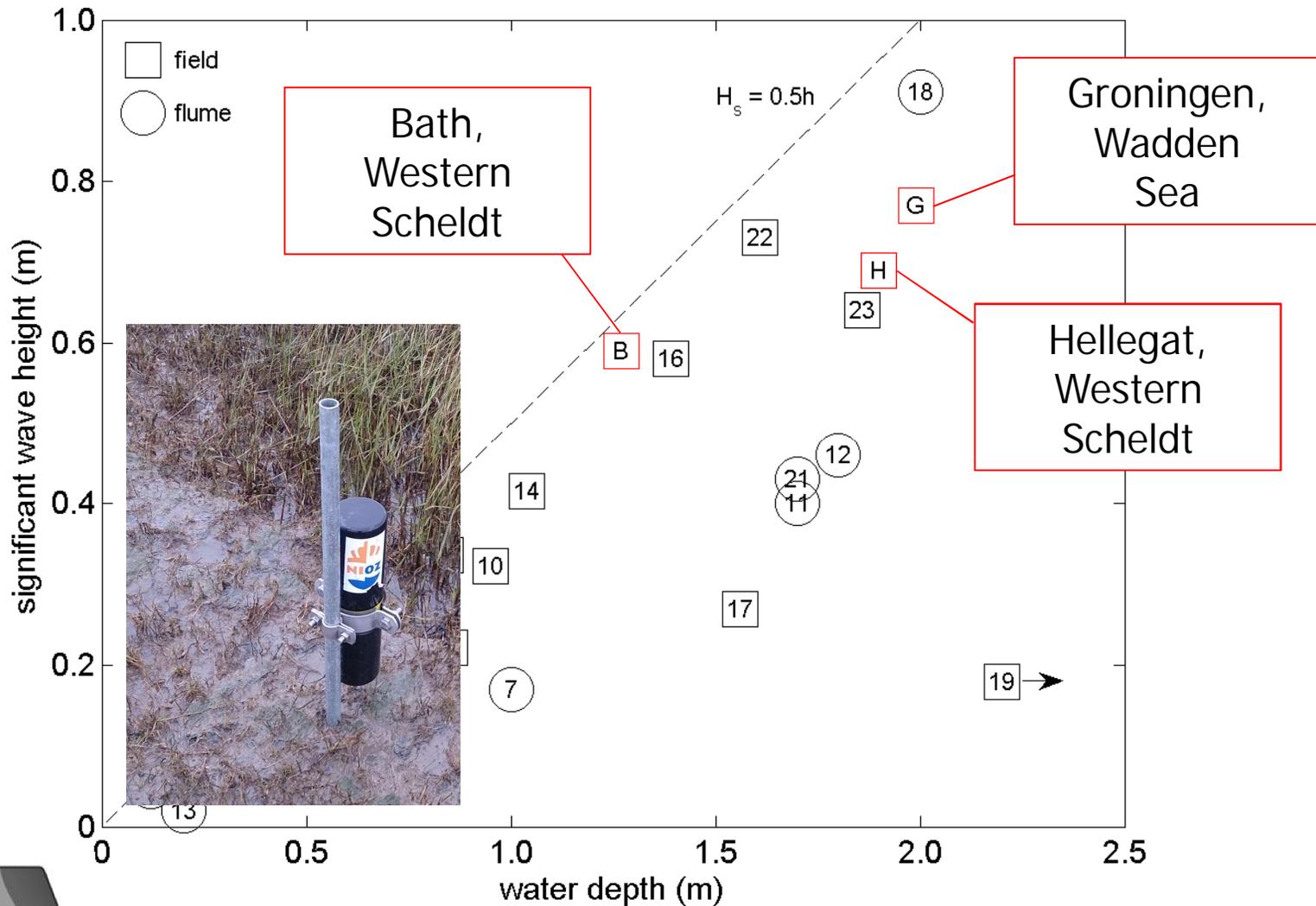
so far:
only a few
measurements
under storm
conditions



New measurements, focusing on storms



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Upscaling using wave modelling

- Wave modelling (i.e. SWAN)
 - → up-scaling higher waves & larger depths
- New wave measurements → calibration C_{d-veg}
- *Conclusions modelling:*
 - **Foreshores remain effective at high waters**
 - **Contribution of vegetation significant**



Storm – 10 & 11 Jan. 2015, Wadden Sea

- WNW storm → 1.2 m tide + 2.0 m surge
- 8 wave gauges on salt marshes
- 30 km flotsam line measured

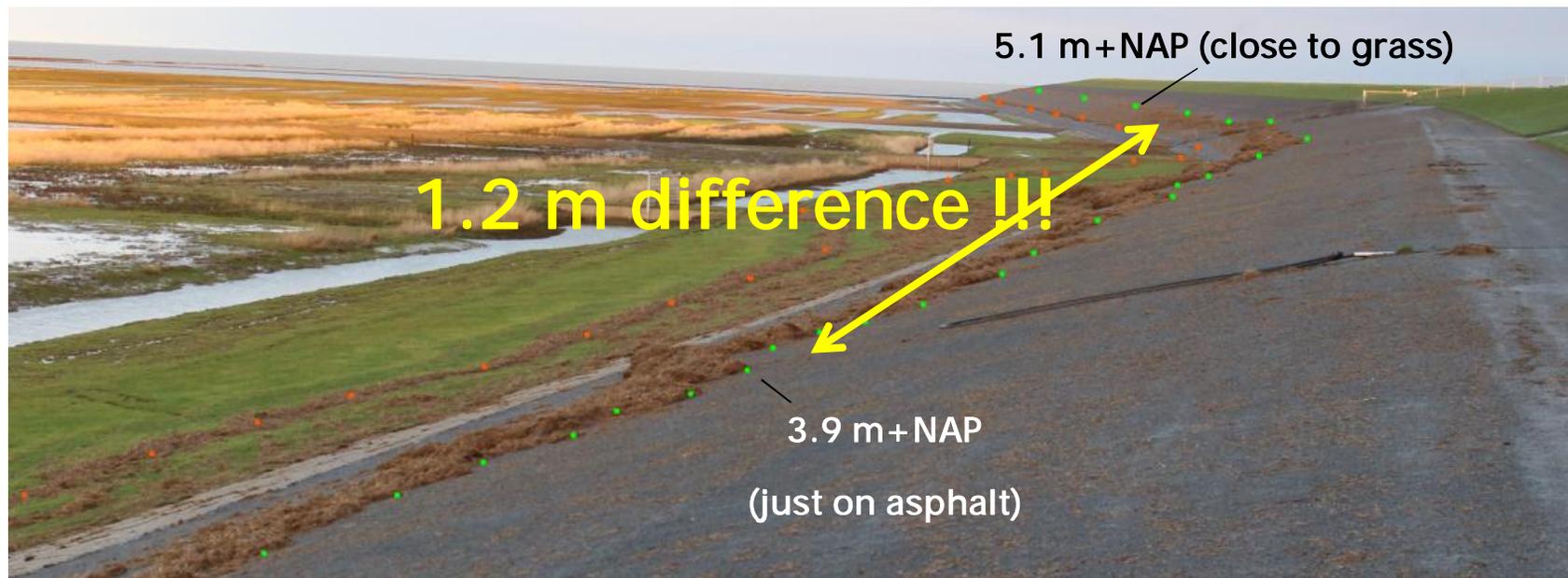
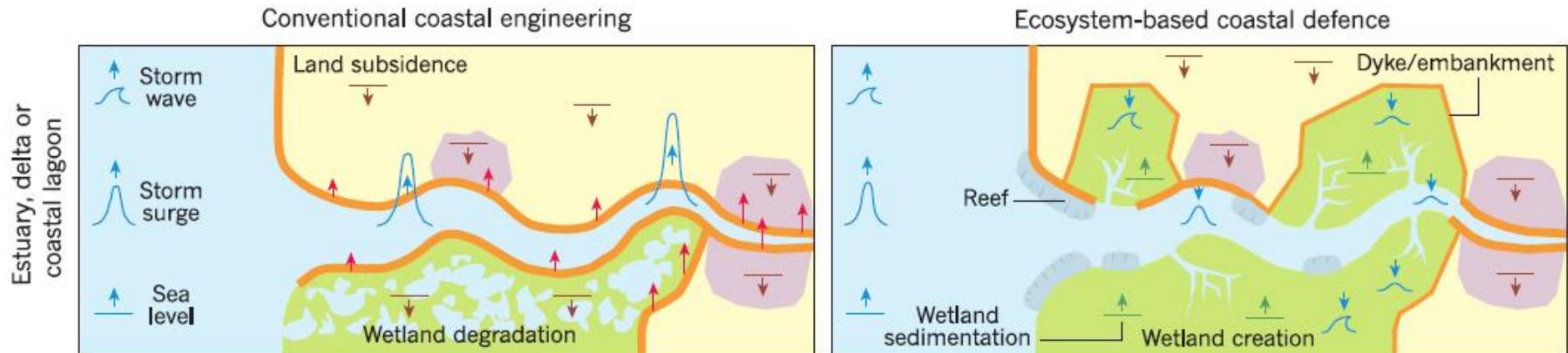


Photo: Vincent Vuik (TU Delft / HKV)



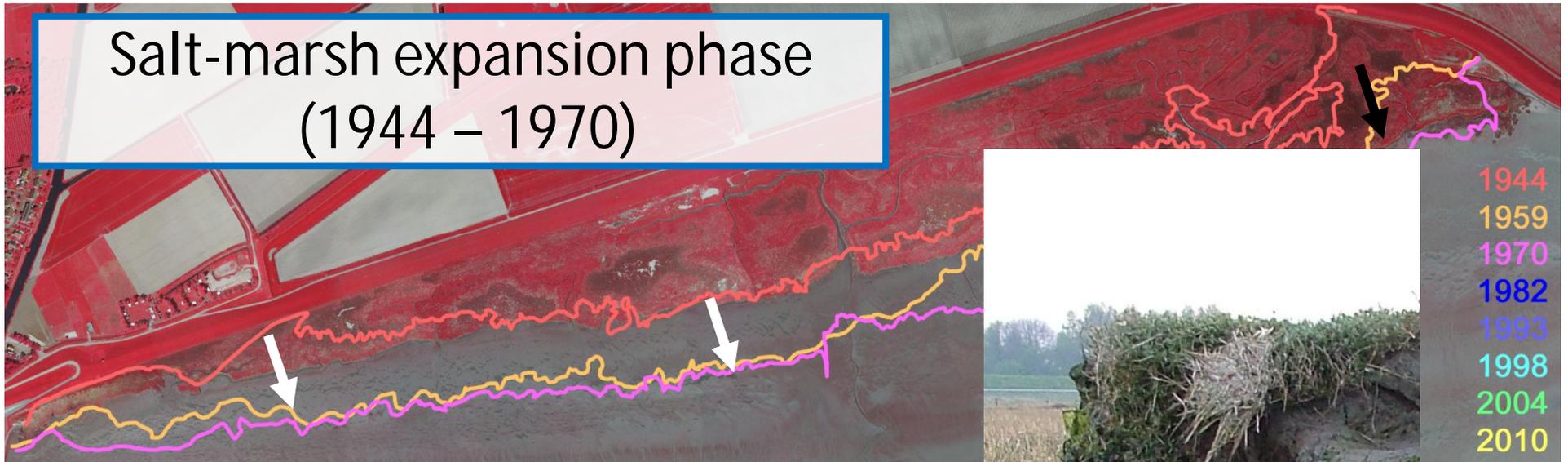
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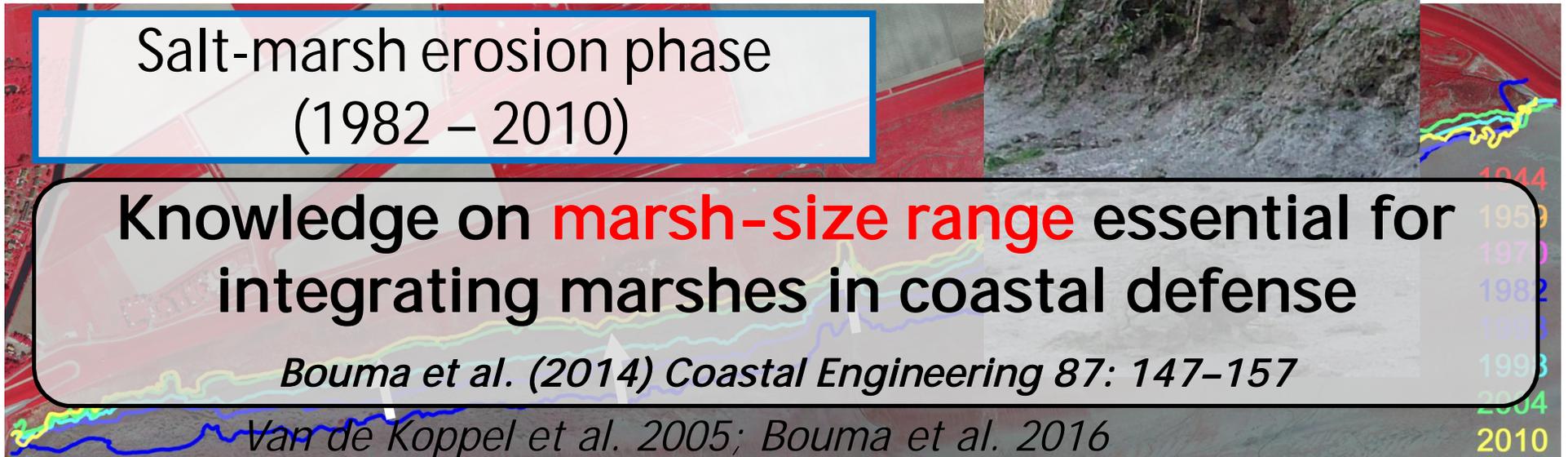
- 1) Which ecosystems to use? → *marshes & reefs*
- 2) Effective under extreme conditions? → *YES*
- 3) long-term coastal defense performance?

Problem application → cyclic dynamics on decadal time-scale

Salt-marsh expansion phase
(1944 – 1970)



Salt-marsh erosion phase
(1982 – 2010)



Knowledge on **marsh-size range** essential for
integrating marshes in coastal defense

Bouma et al. (2014) Coastal Engineering 87: 147–157

Van de Koppel et al. 2005; Bouma et al. 2016

Using space for time: geometry & vegetation

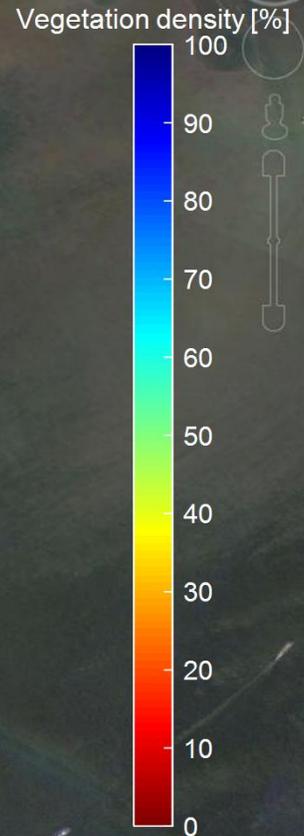
Hypsometric curves



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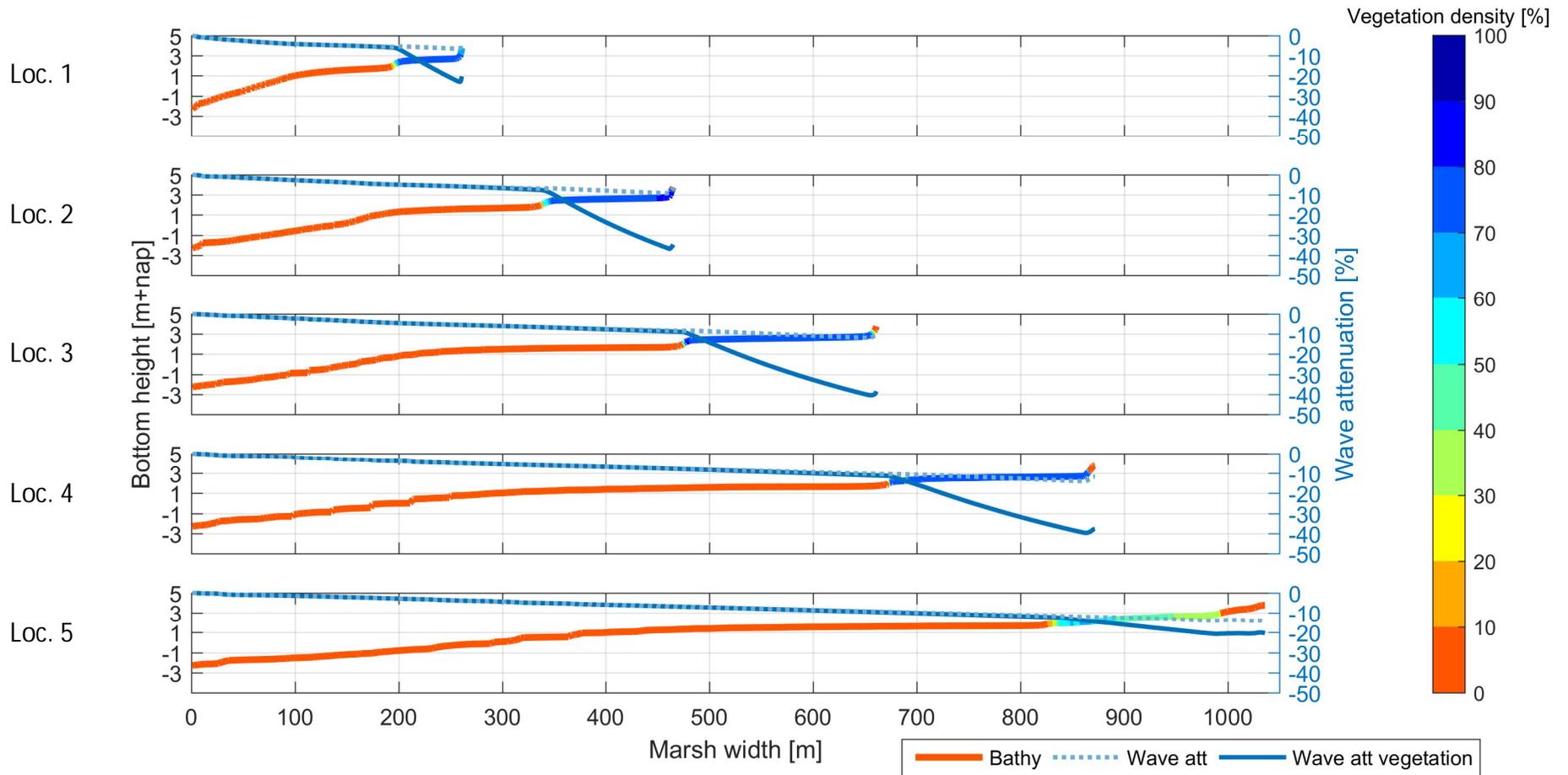


783 m

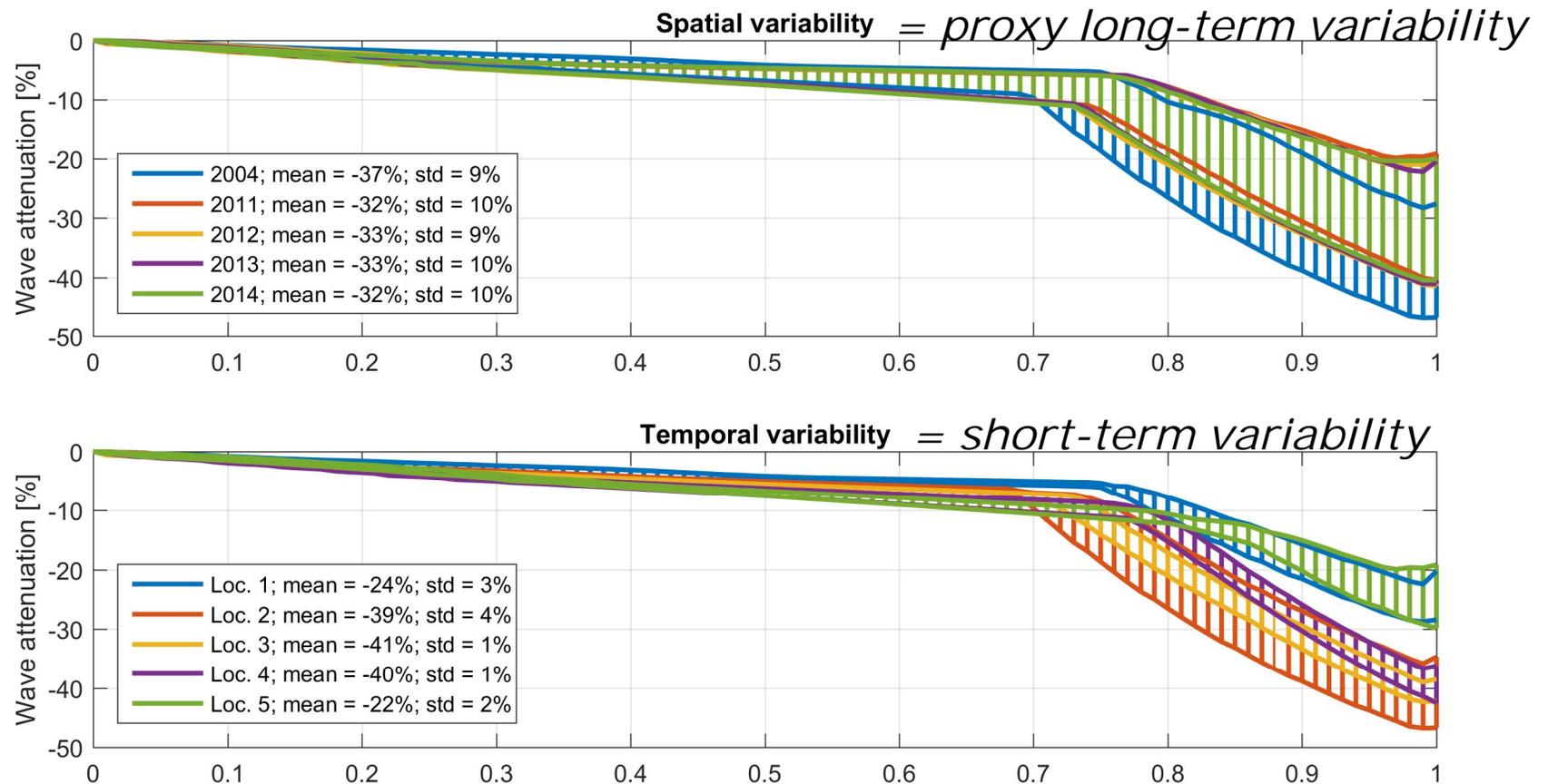


Google earth

Wave attenuation per curve (2014)



Results (2004-2014)



Conclusions

- Wave attenuation @ dike
 - → mostly determined by veg. width
- Spatial variability > (short) temporal variability
 - *But → space = proxy for long-term variability*

- ONGOING RESEARCH



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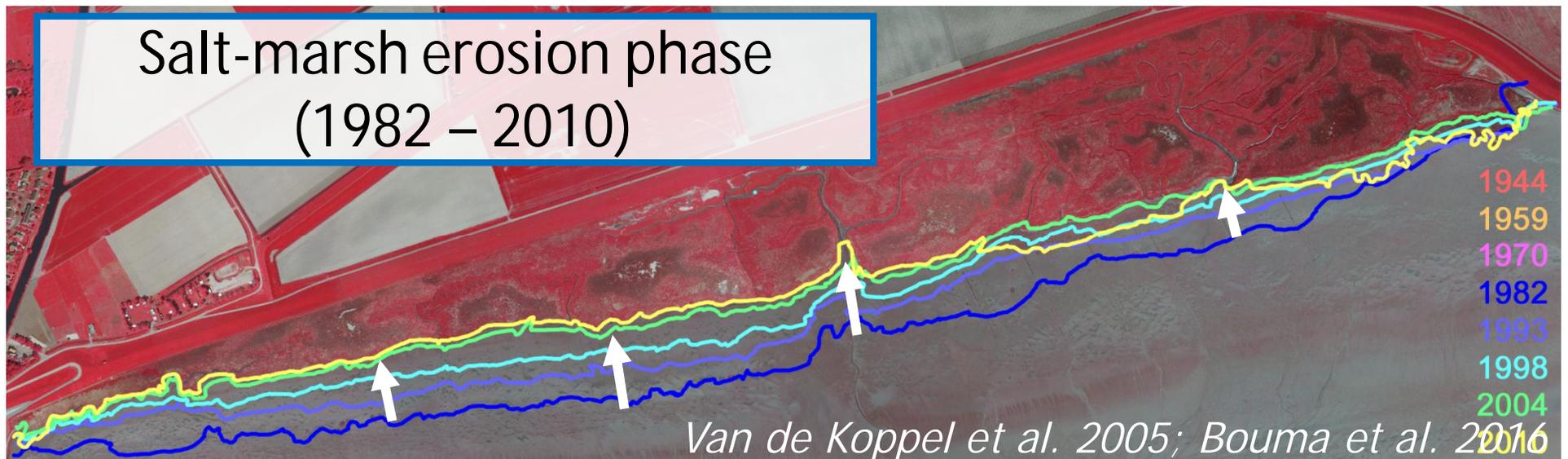
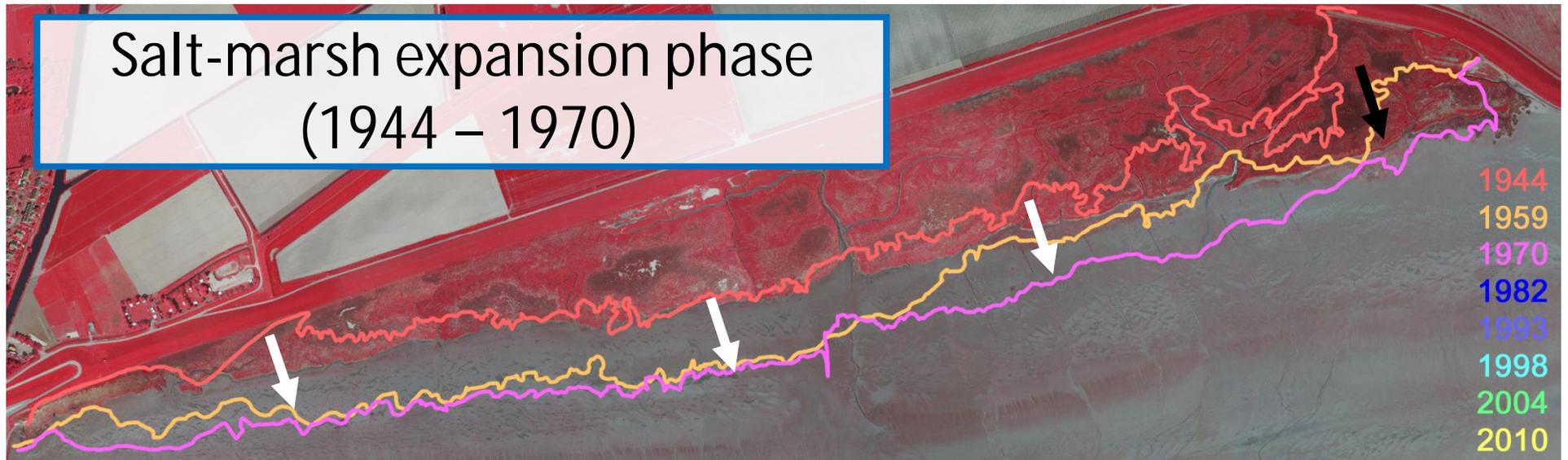
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Mechanisms explaining marsh dynamics



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Based on *experimental* studies:

Short-term sediment dynamics on tidal flat
driver for long-term cyclic dynamics salt marsh
implications for:

- Monitor daily sediment dynamics
 - Possible (*Hu et al. 2015a*), but too few data
- dependence marsh restoration on:
 - foreshore shape (*Hu et al. 2015b*)
 - minimum length WoO establishment (*ongoing*)
 - use of dredging material (*ongoing*)
 - climate change → *SLR & storminess*

Optimizing marsh management ?

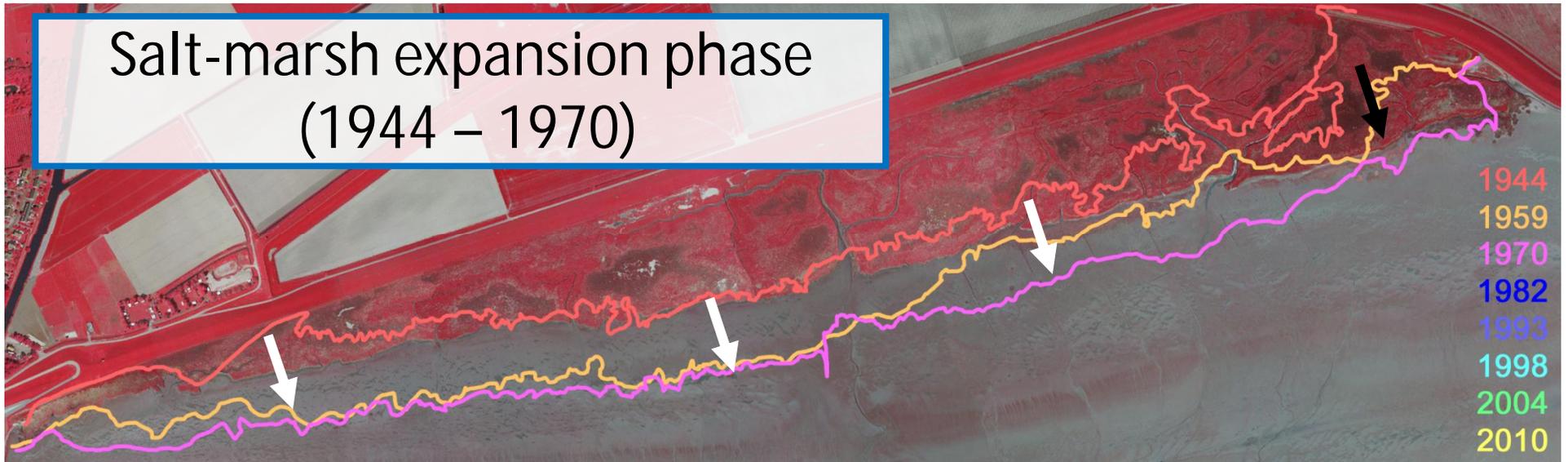


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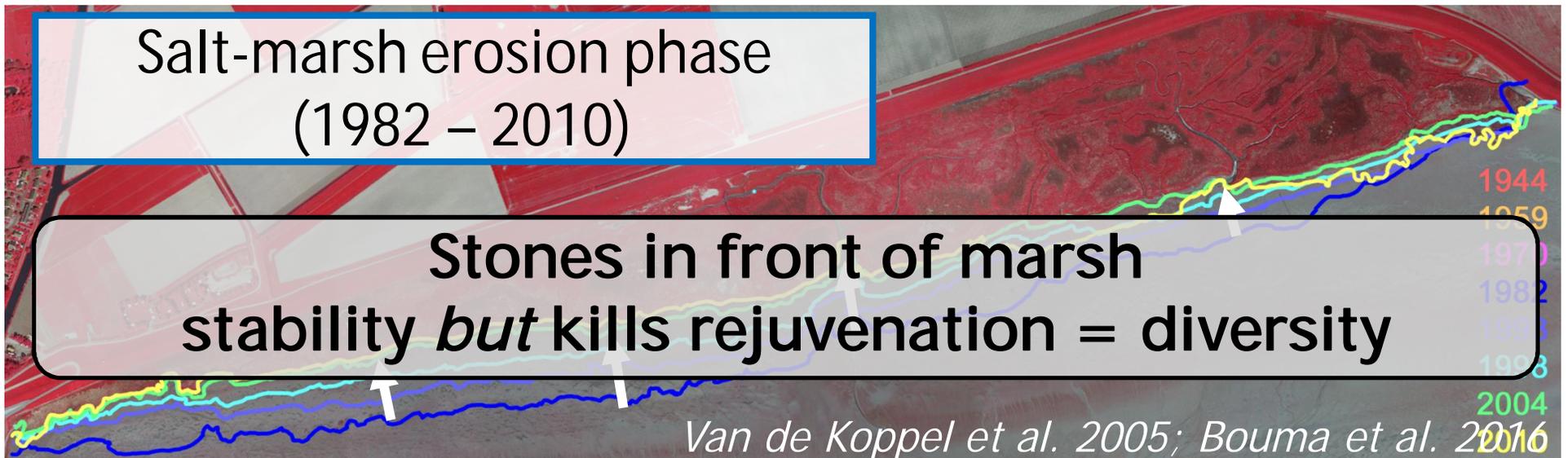


cyclic dynamics = burden & treasure

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**Stones in front of marsh
stability *but* kills rejuvenation = diversity**

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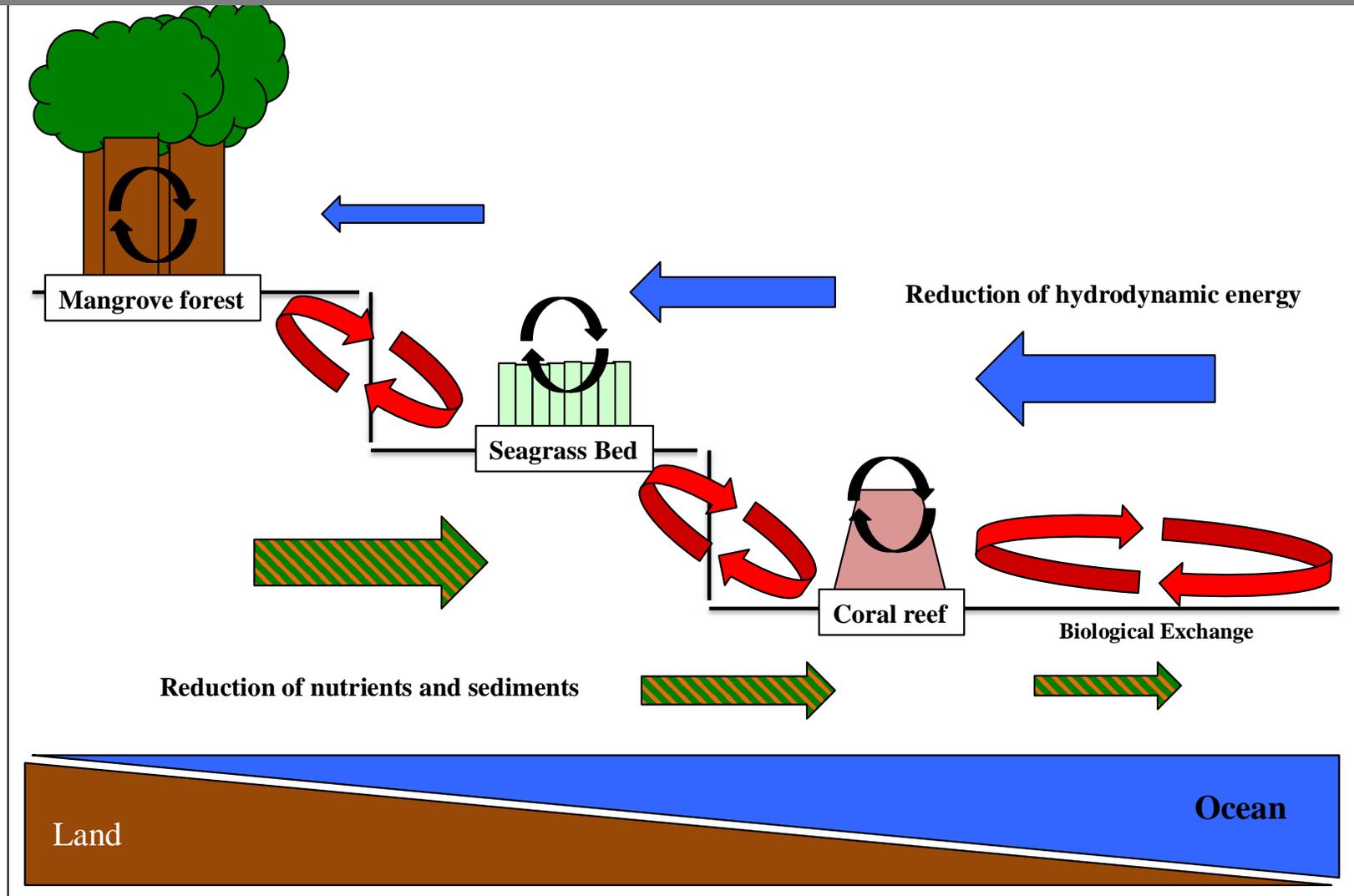
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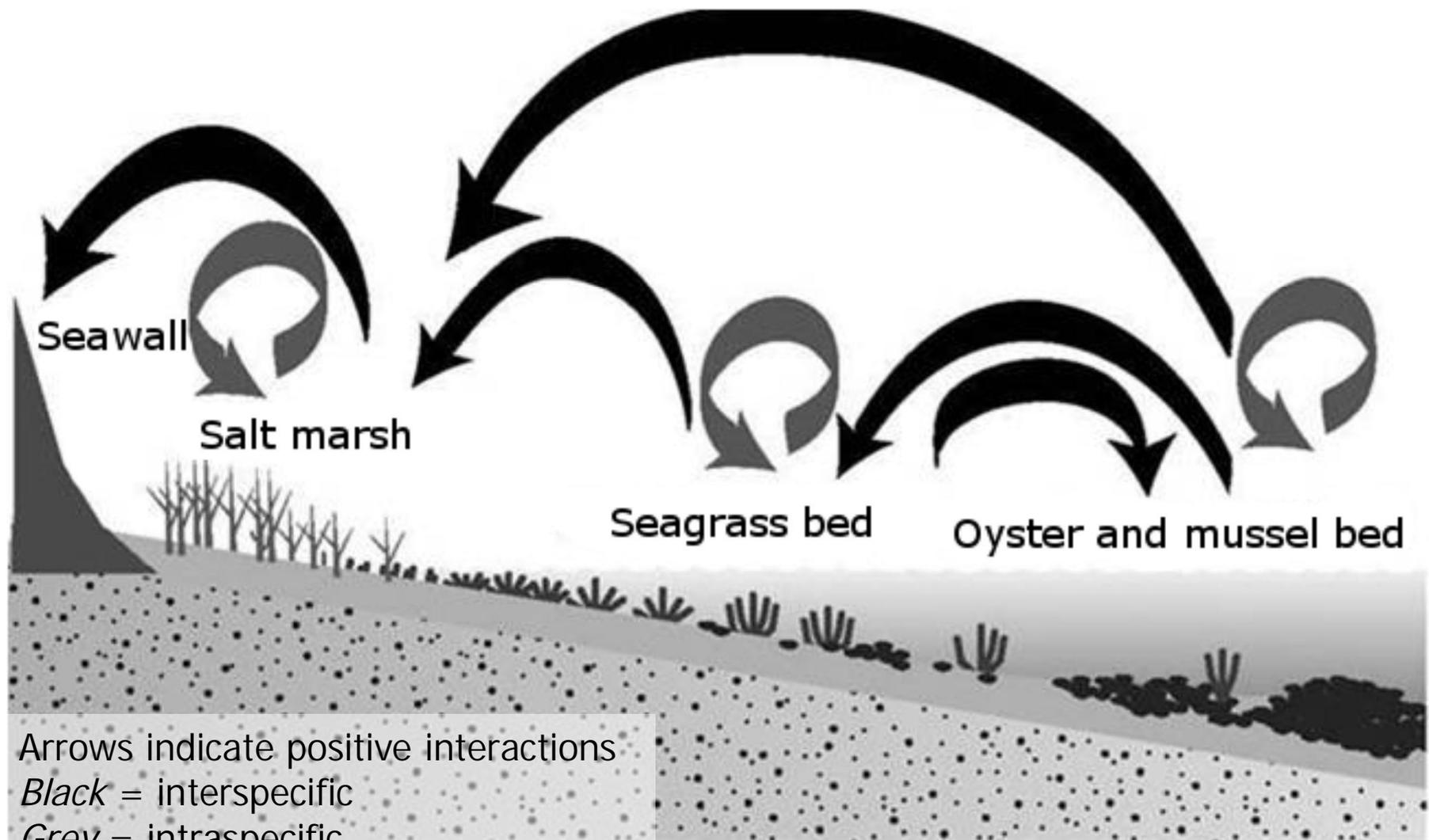
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Reciprocal facilitation between connected ecosystems



Dutch equivalent?



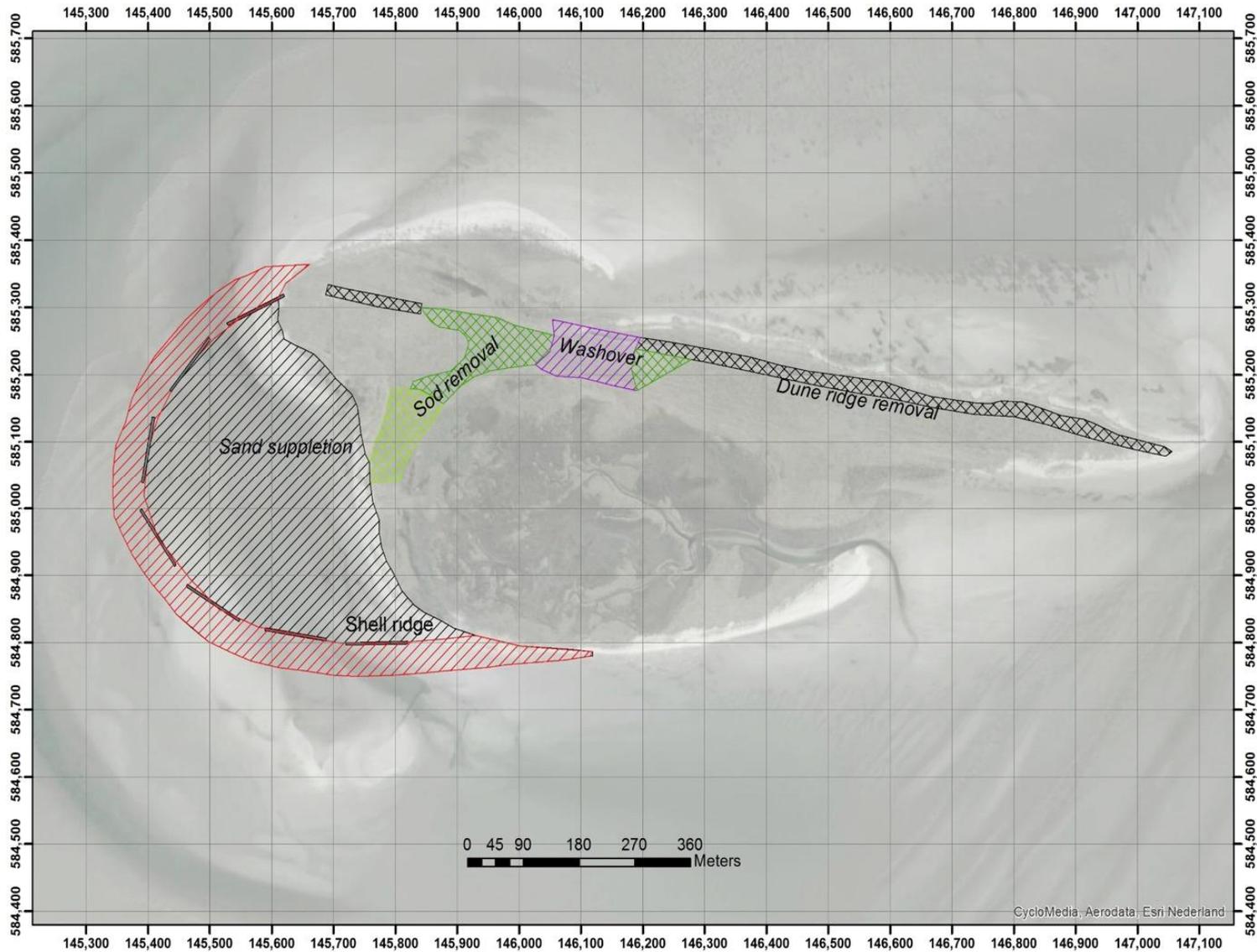
Arrows indicate positive interactions

Black = interspecific

Grey = intraspecific

(Van Katwijk e.a. 2007)

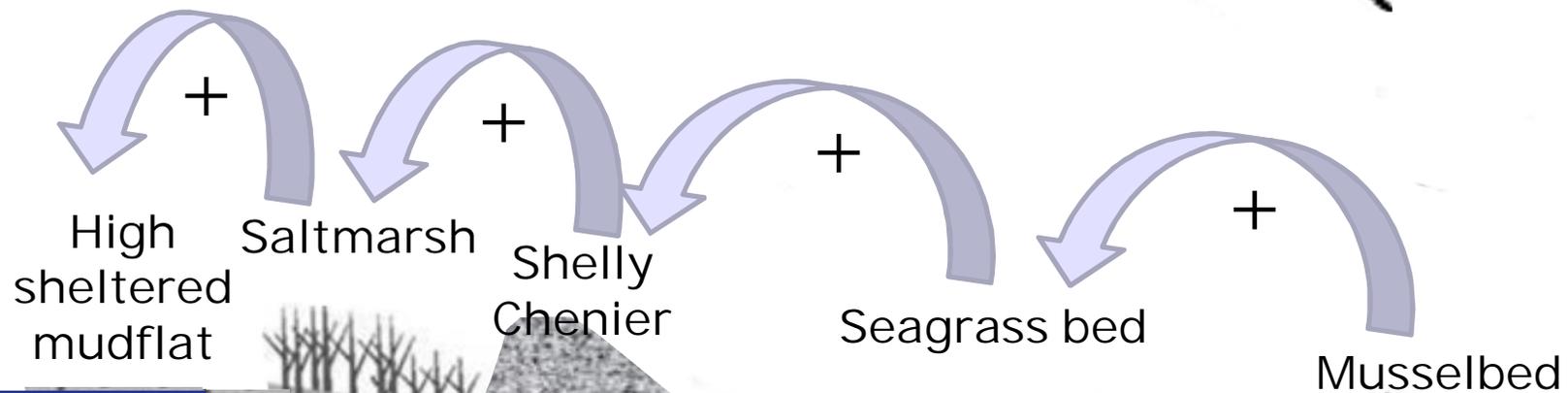
Griend: restoring natural dynamics ...



by restoring long-distance interactions

Low wave action
(regular wind)

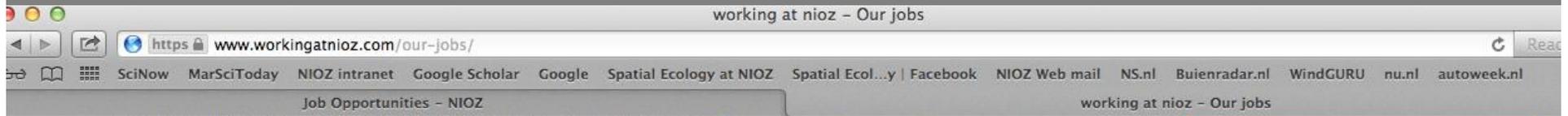
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Laura Govers

Sequential facilitation of different communities

Many vacancies @ NIOZ (YE & TX)



Junior Scientist (tenure track) or Senior Scientist in Deep Sea Benthic Biogeochemistry >

23 September 2016

Junior Scientist (tenure track) or Senior Scientist in Marine Chemical Oceanography >

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20 September 2016

PhD "The environmental controls of life cycles of seaweeds and seagrasses" >

20 September 2016

PhD "Modelling biogenic reefs as hotspots of production and biodiversity" >

20 September 2016

PhD "Field flumes studies of Global Change effects on estuarine ecosystems" >

20 September 2016

Scientist (or tenure track) in Experimental Ecology >

18 August 2016

Postdoc "Evolution and genetics of synthetic pathways of microbial lipid biomarkers" >

18 August 2016

2 PhD's "Evolution and genetics of synthetic pathways of microbial lipid biomarkers" >

16 August 2016

Senior (or tenure track) position in Marine Isotope Ecology and Microbiology >

8 August 2016

"Microbial Ecologist / Microbiologist (tenure track) for a research programme within the Soehngen Institute of Anaerobic Microbiology (SIAM)" >

3 August 2016

Senior (or tenure track) position in Marine Optics & Remote Sensing >

12 July 2016

Three Women In Science Excel (WISE) tenure tracks at NWO's research institutes >

5 July 2016

NL | Senior Communications Officer (fulltime) >

5 July 2016

2 Senior (or tenure track) Marine Phytoplankton Microbiologists >



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