



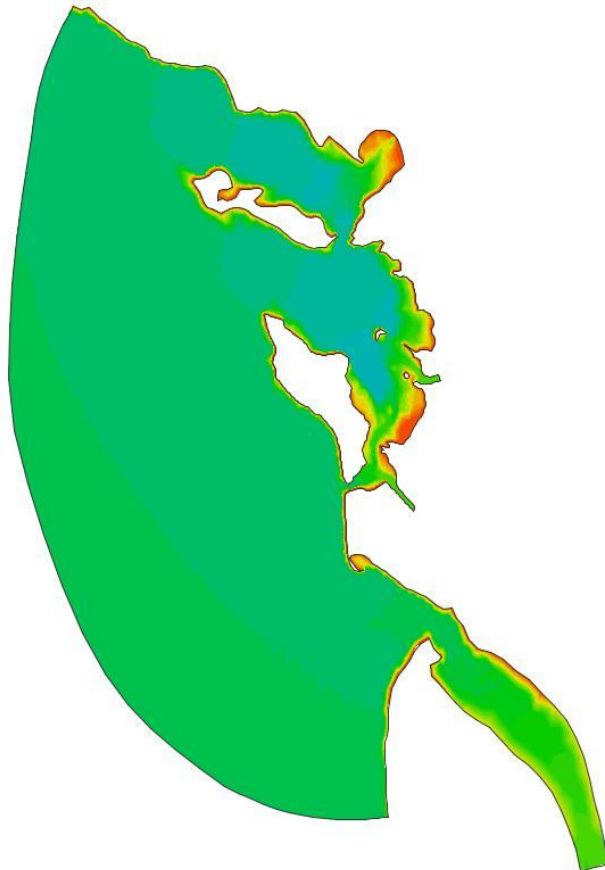
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# Coastal Tidal Model Calibration by Satellite Imagery

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# Study Area

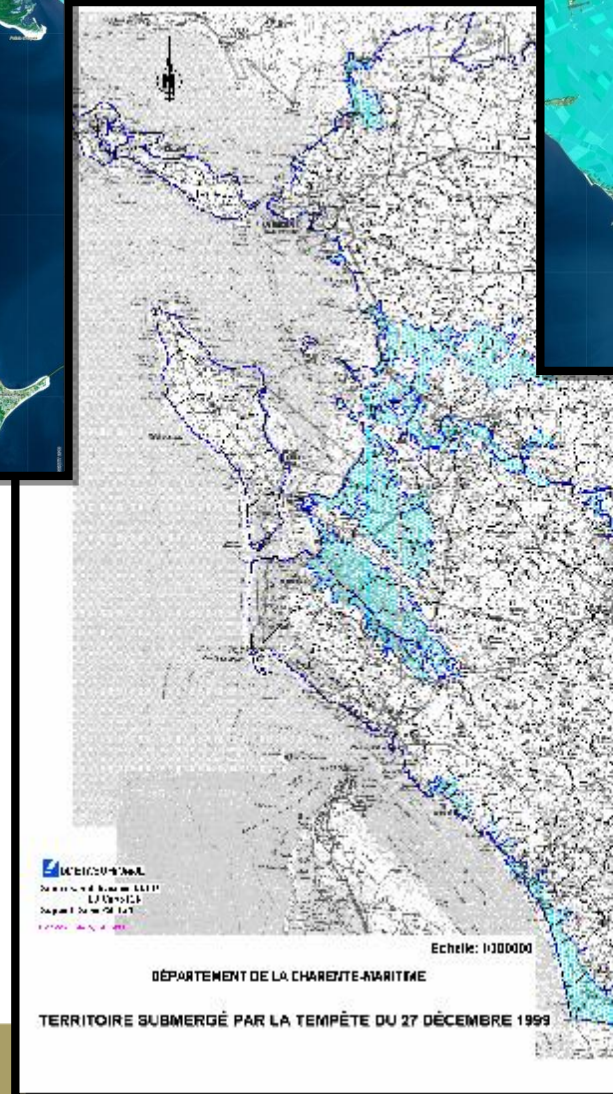




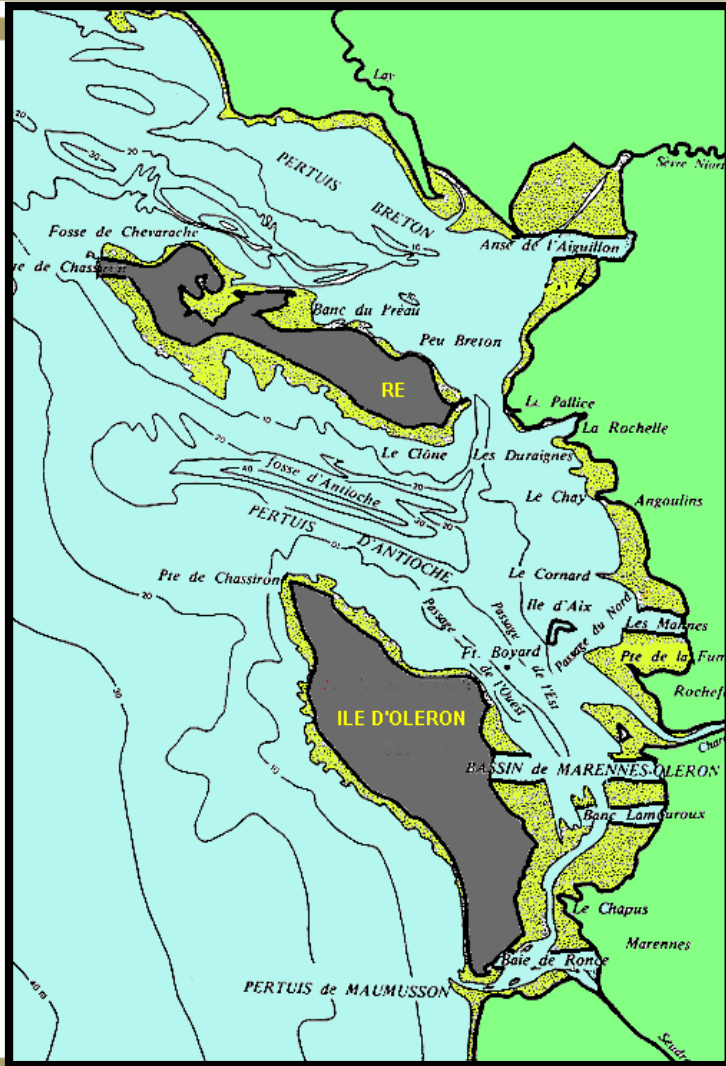
# Surges



- Storm Surge of 1999
- Xynthia ( February 2010)



# Biologist Activities



- MudFlat Ecosystems
- Birds Feeding Behaviour
- Crab's Zoe Dispersal
- Algae transport

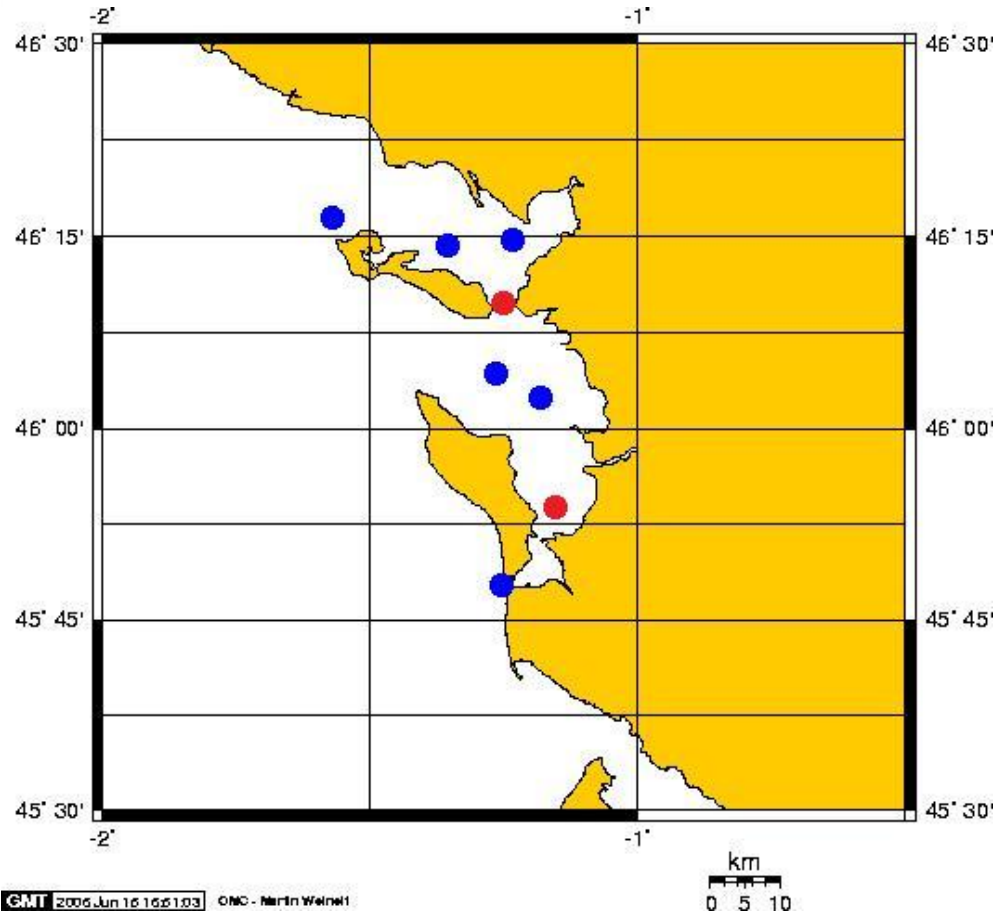


# Model goal

- High precision for the tide propagation on mudflats
- High resolution on Mudflats
- Passive Tracer Transport
- Impact of the Bottom friction
- Constraining the dynamics of storm surges

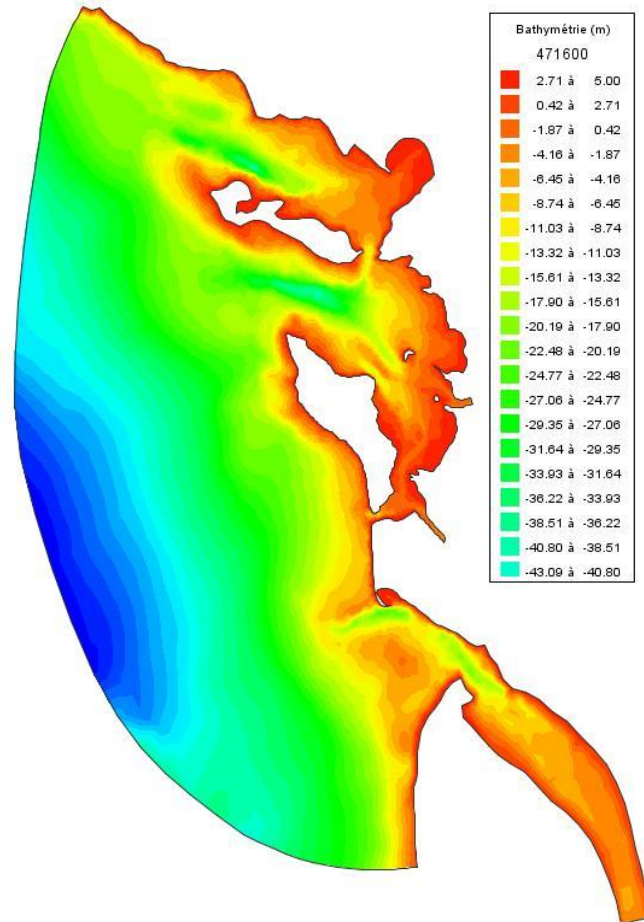


# Tide Gauges



Station	Start	End	Days
Pallice			-
Chapus	01/01/1971	22/12/1971	355
Ile d'aix	27/04/1973	28/11/1973	215
Gatseau	01/10/1971	31/12/1971	91
Pointe aiguillon	11/12/1996	15/01/1997	35
Baleineaux	12/12/1996	11/01/1997	30
Balise	13/12/1996	14/01/1997	32
St Martin en Ré	13/12/1996	11/01/1997	29

# Bathymetry



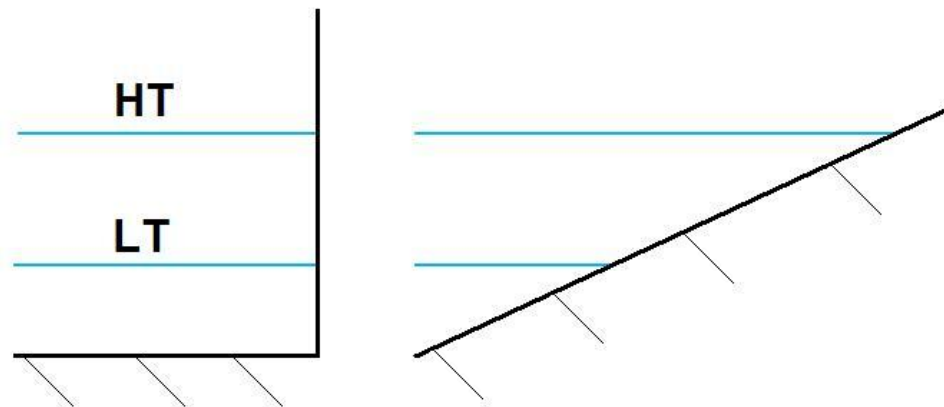
- Rapidly Shallowing bathymetry
- Two straits = the Pertuis Charentais H = 30m
- Coastal region = H = 5m
- Large (1-5 km) tidal flats



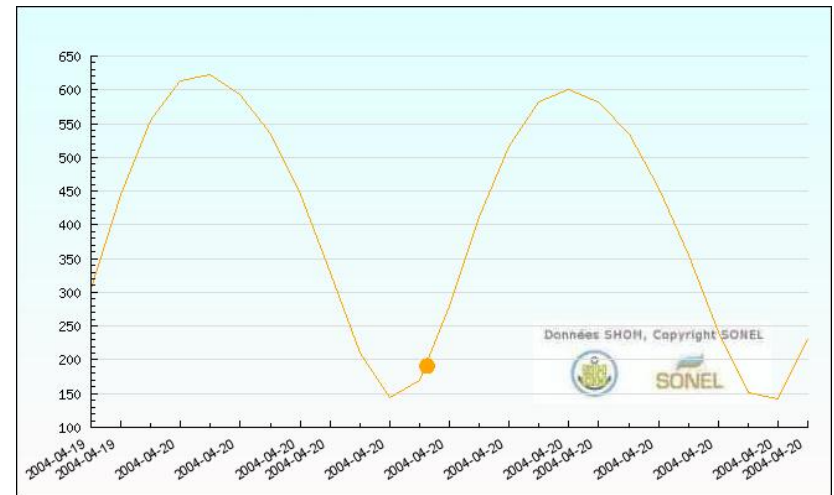
# Why using satellite imagery ?

## *The Pertuis Charentais :*

- Large Tidal flats with the slope  $< 1:1000$
- Tidal Range  $> 5$  m
- Consequently : the boundary between sea and land moves up and down on a tidal flat with a range of  $> 5$  km
- The satellite images can give the position of *the sea-land line*



# Tracking the Sea-Land Line (SLL) position



20 may 2004 11:31

Spring Tide

Low Water

# Sattelite Imagery

SPOT 1 characteristics:

60km x 60 km

Color Raster

Resolution : 20m

Theoretical views :

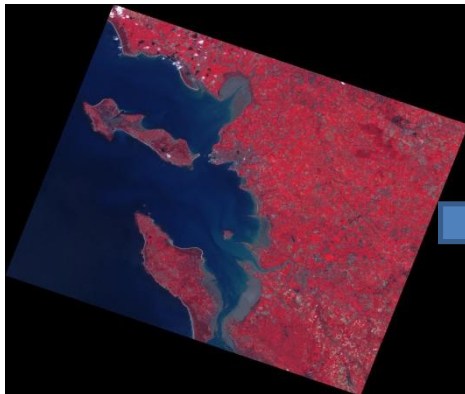
- 3 days (slanted)
- 26 days revolution (vertical)

10 shooting per year, with good weather

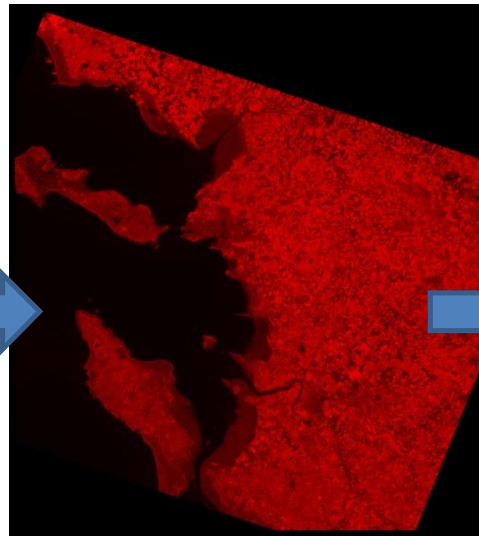


# SLL Extraction Steps

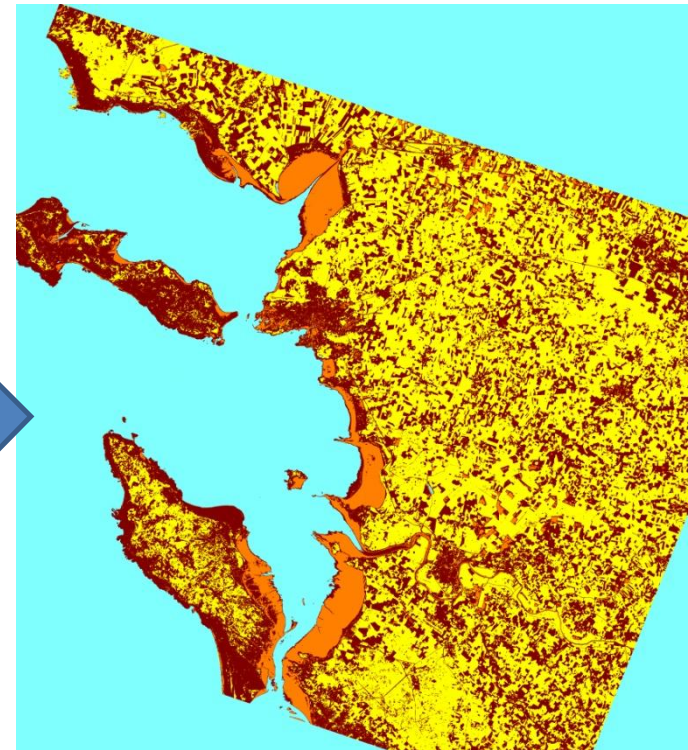
Initial Spot Picture



Infrared frequency:  
0.76 – 1.1  $\mu\text{m}$   
Electromagnetic radiation  
absorbed by water

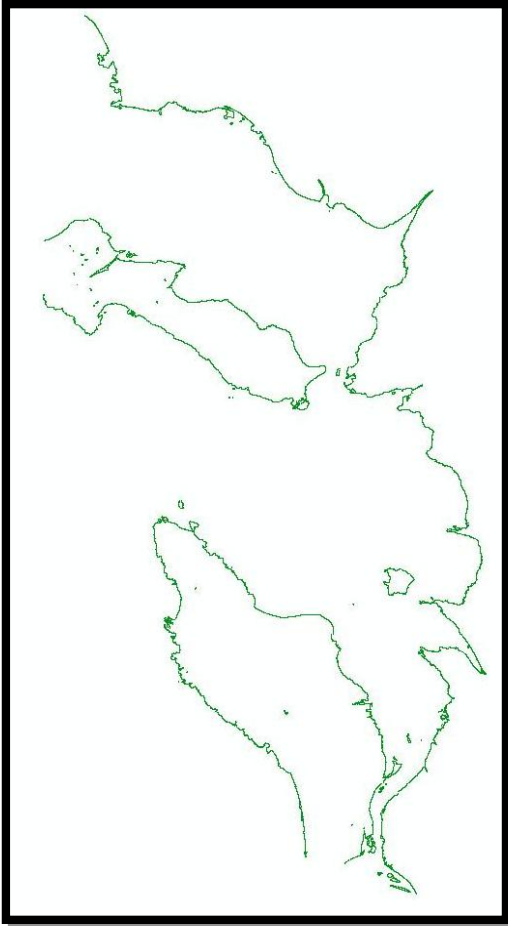


Area Classification

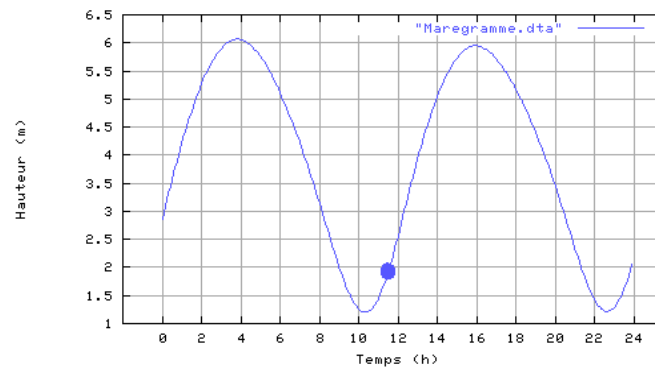
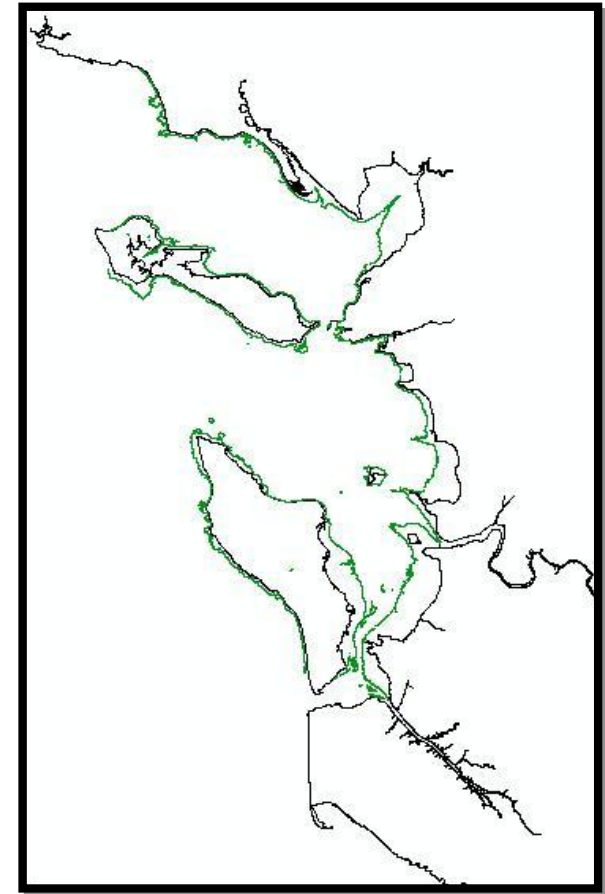




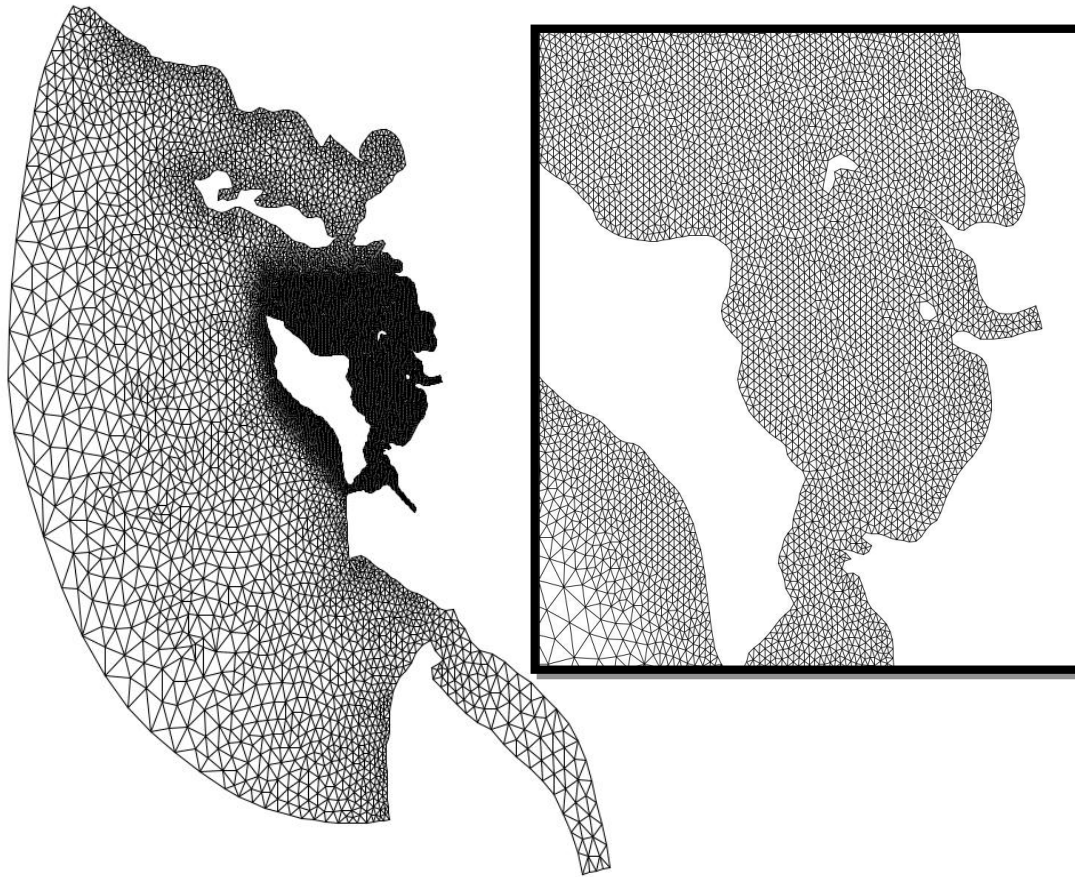
# SLL Results form Spot 1



- Sea-Level Line on 20.04.2004
- Coastline IGN (National Geographic Institute)



# Tidal Model : TELEMAC 2D



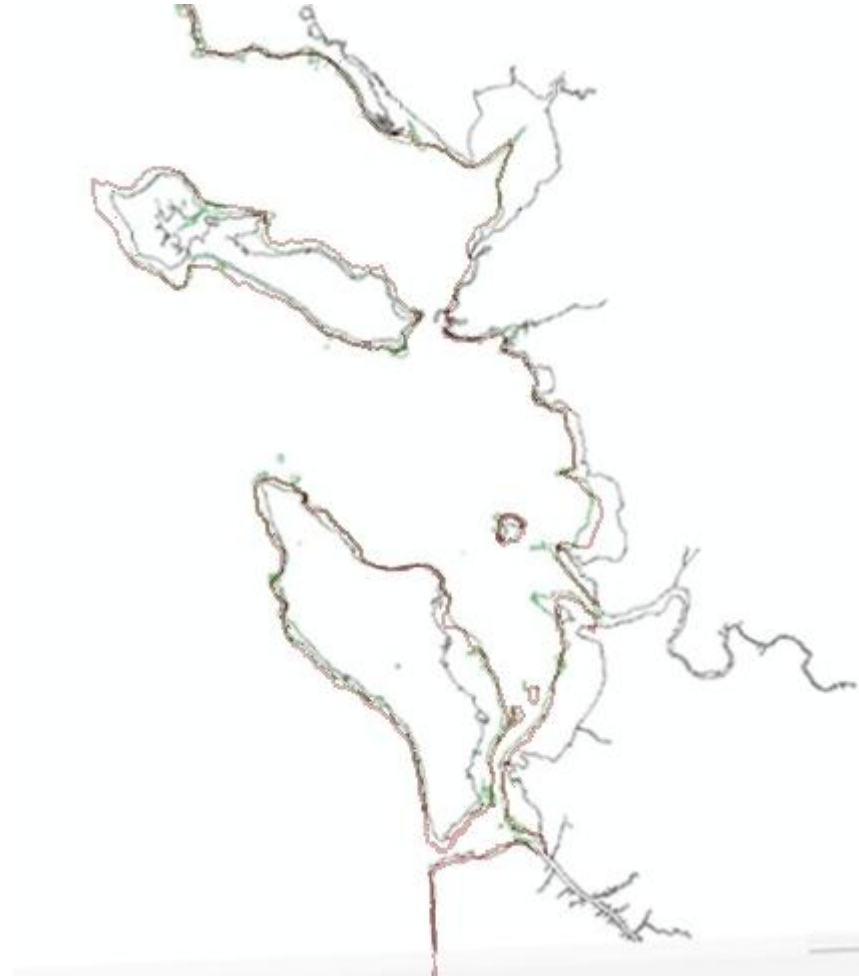
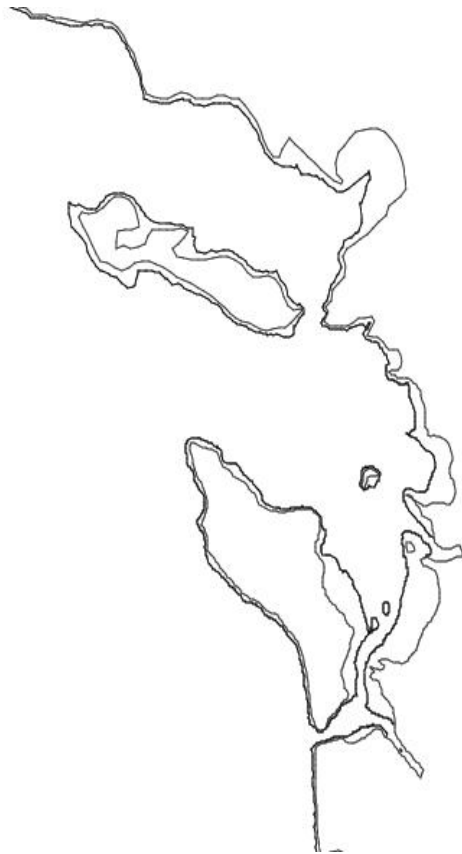
## Mesh :

- 16402 elements
- Spatial resolution : 100 m in the Bay of Marennes-Oleron

## Opened boundary forcing :

- European continental shelf model of SHOM (French Navy)
- 17 Constituants

# Model results



# Conclusions and perspectives

- The satellite images is an effective constraint on the *total volume of water* in the Pertuis Charentais.
- Hence, it is a good constraint on the tide and surges dynamics, complementary to the TG spatially localized data
- A possibility for better understanding of the wind-wave-surge interactions (Nicolle et al, 2009) in the Pertuis.

## Satellite images:

- indicators of the quality of the bathymetry data
- helpful for constraining the bottom friction (*work in progress*)
- *Calibration of the model is still in progress*