

**Theme 5.6 Digital Twins**

# Coastal seabed quantification based on digital scenarios using hydroacoustic data

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## Introduction

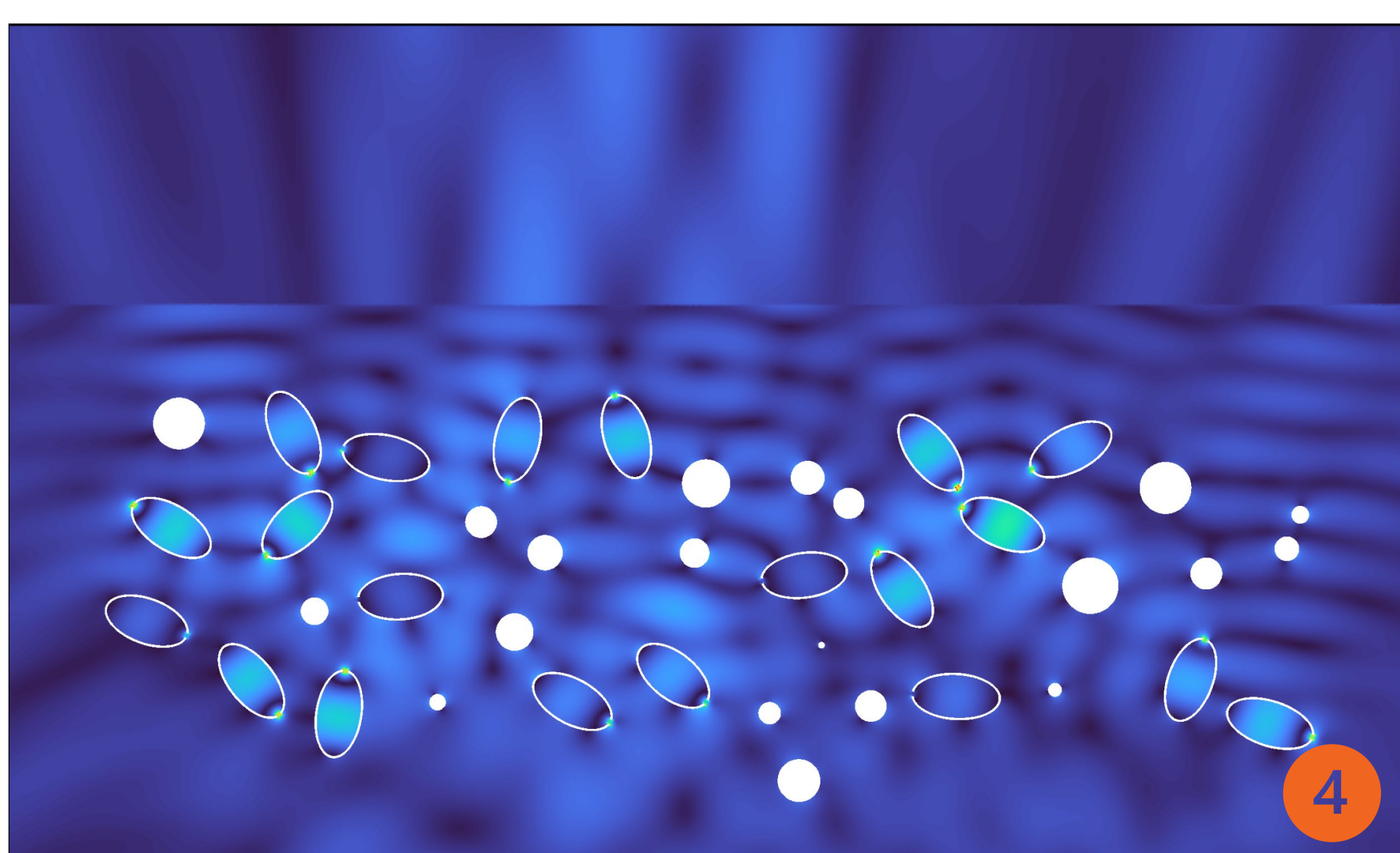
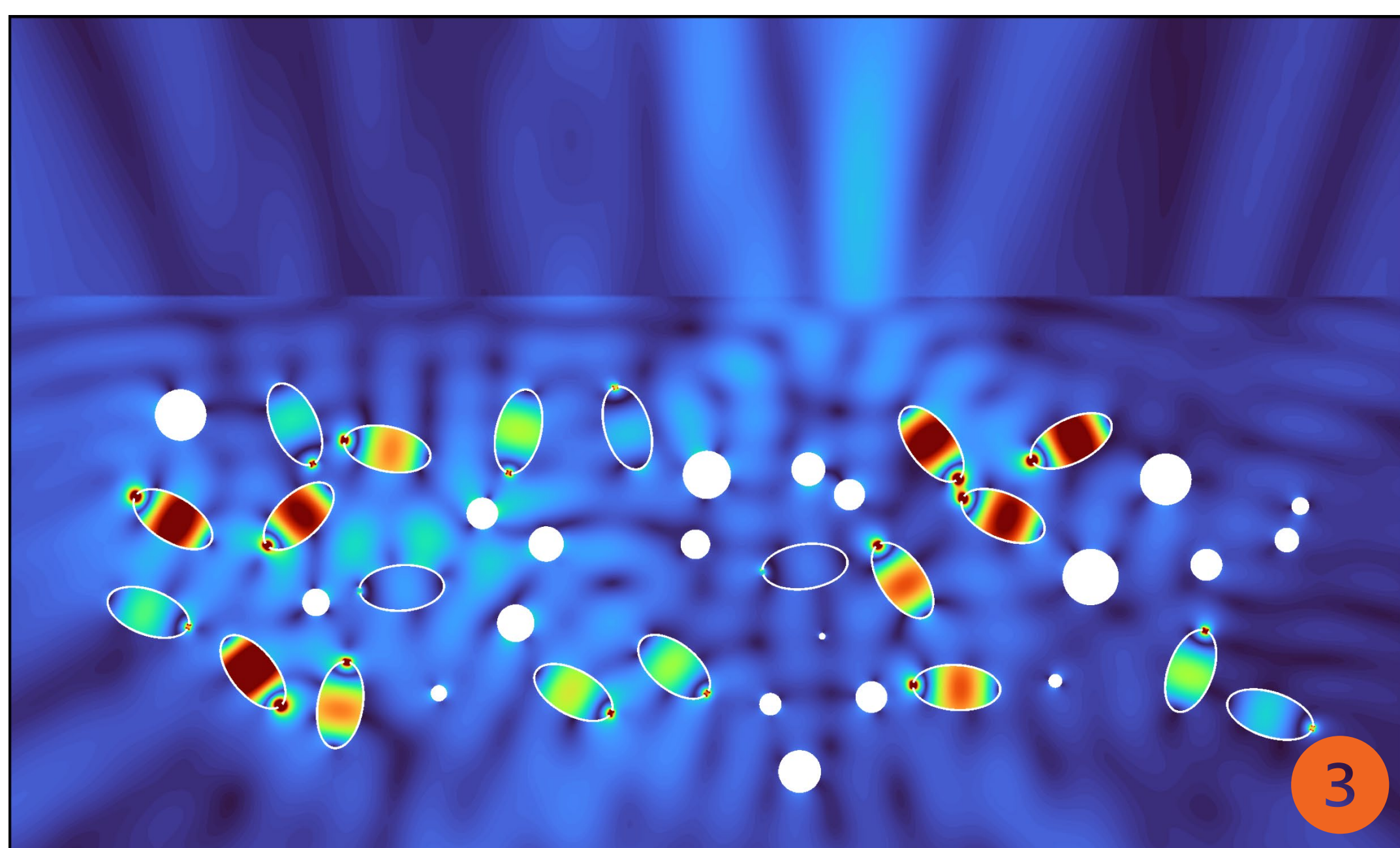
**Underwater hydroacoustic** measurements are widely used in sonar applications not only for detecting target objects (such as vessels or fisheries) but also to characterize the **nature of the seabed** and quantify the presence of algae **①** or bivalves **②**

## Modelling and simulation

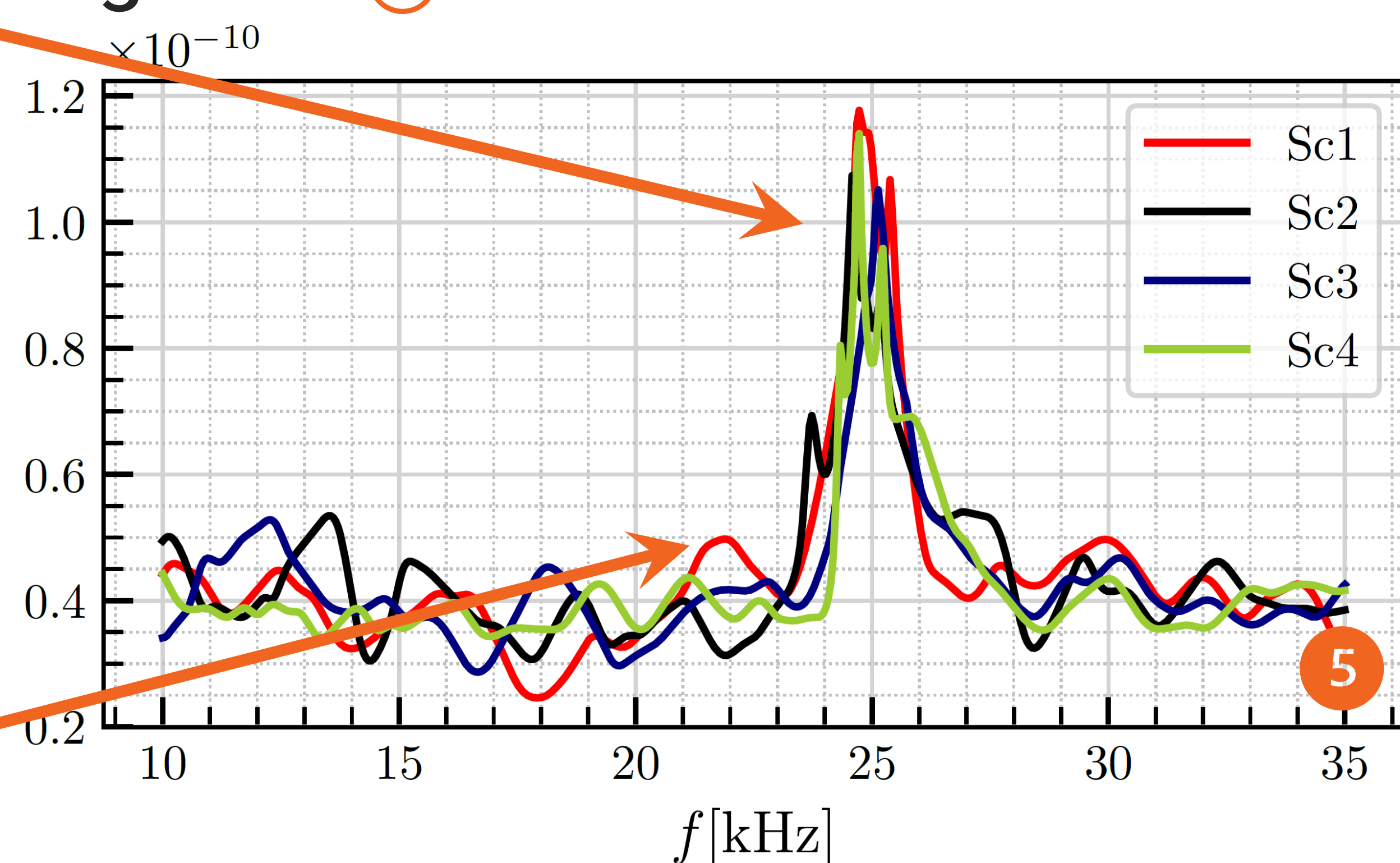
Hydroacoustic models for **Lagrangian displacement** for fluid and porous media are solved at time-frequency regime using:

- Darcy and Biot-Stoll **porous models**
- Perfectly Matched Layers
- Finite element method

## Numerical results



Every random seabed scenario is simulated at different frequencies (**③** and **④**) to quantify the biological presence of bivalves, sand and rocky bottoms or algae, and hence characterized by its **frequency-dependent signature ⑤**



High reflected energy at some specific frequencies corresponds to **resonance phenomena ③** of the heterogeneities buried in the upper layer of the seabed

## Conclusions

- Multiple seabed environments are simulated by generating digitally random underwater scenarios
- Simulated hydroacoustic data is used to quantify their frequency-dependent signature