



Scale-dependent relative dispersion measurements from the Grand Lagrangian Deployment (GLAD)

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The scale-dependent Lagrangian dispersion metrics, such as the Finite Scale Lyapunov Exponent, are suitable to study multi-scale interaction of ocean flows. Of particular interest is the possible impact of submesoscale flows on transport in the ocean, for applied problems such as oil spill.

Results will be presented from the GLAD experiment, which was configured to optimize in-situ submesoscale relative dispersion measurements in the Gulf of Mexico near DeSoto Canyon from a release of more than 300 surface drifters.