

# Behavioral Response Function for Cuvier's Beaked Whales on a Navy Training Range

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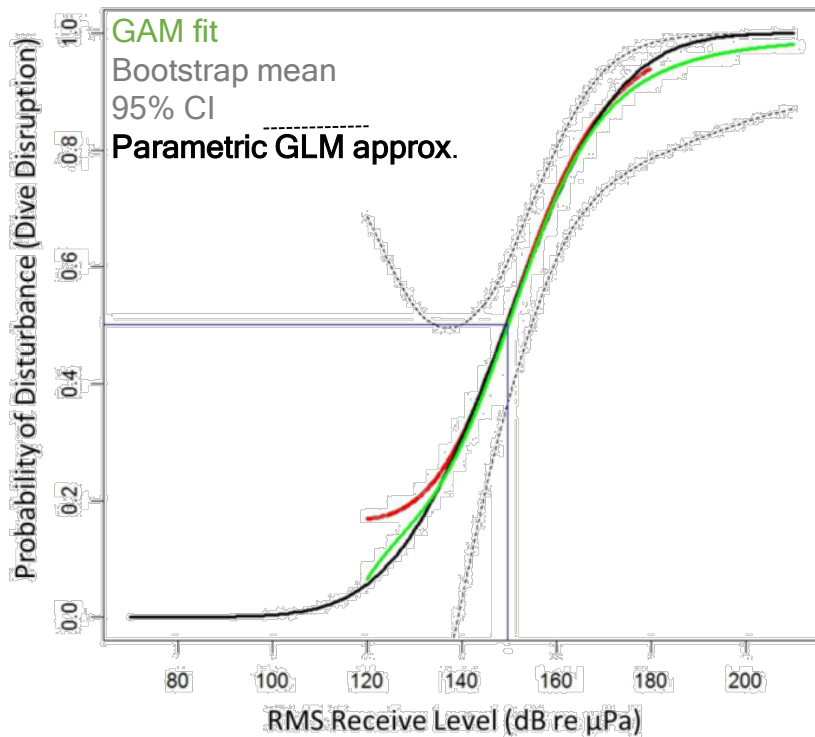
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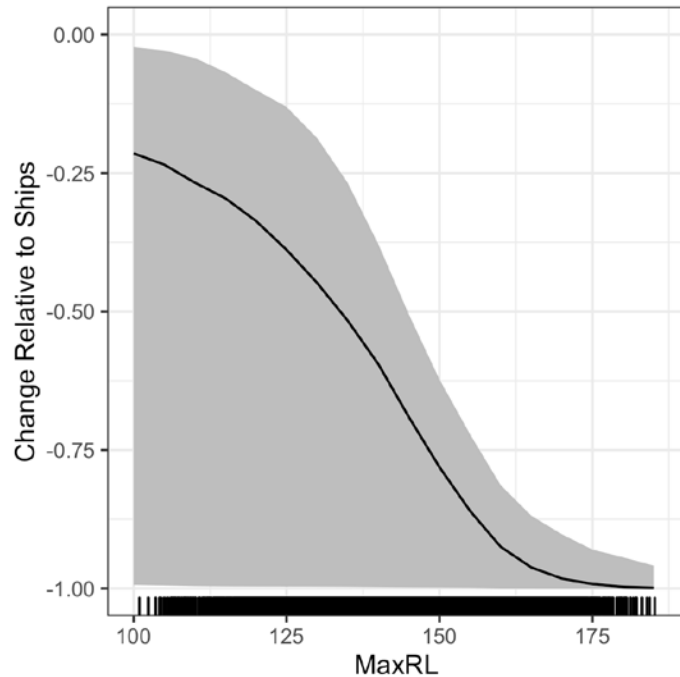


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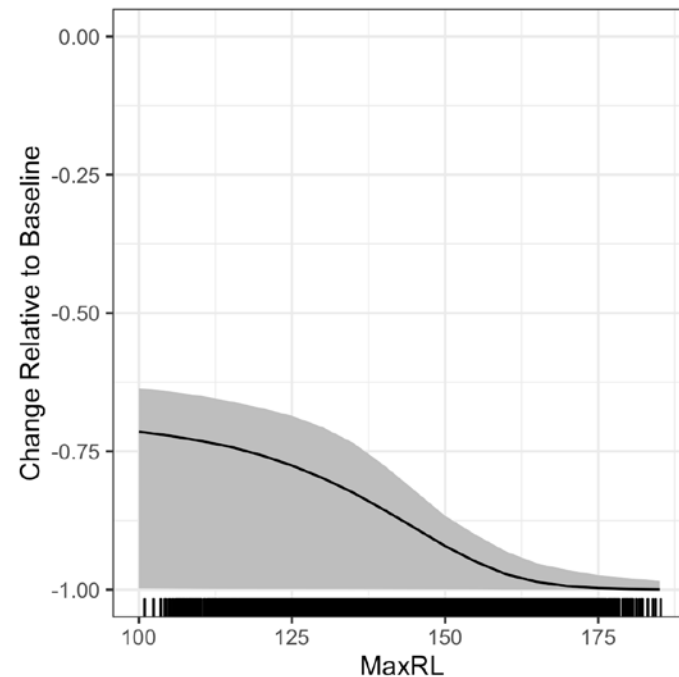
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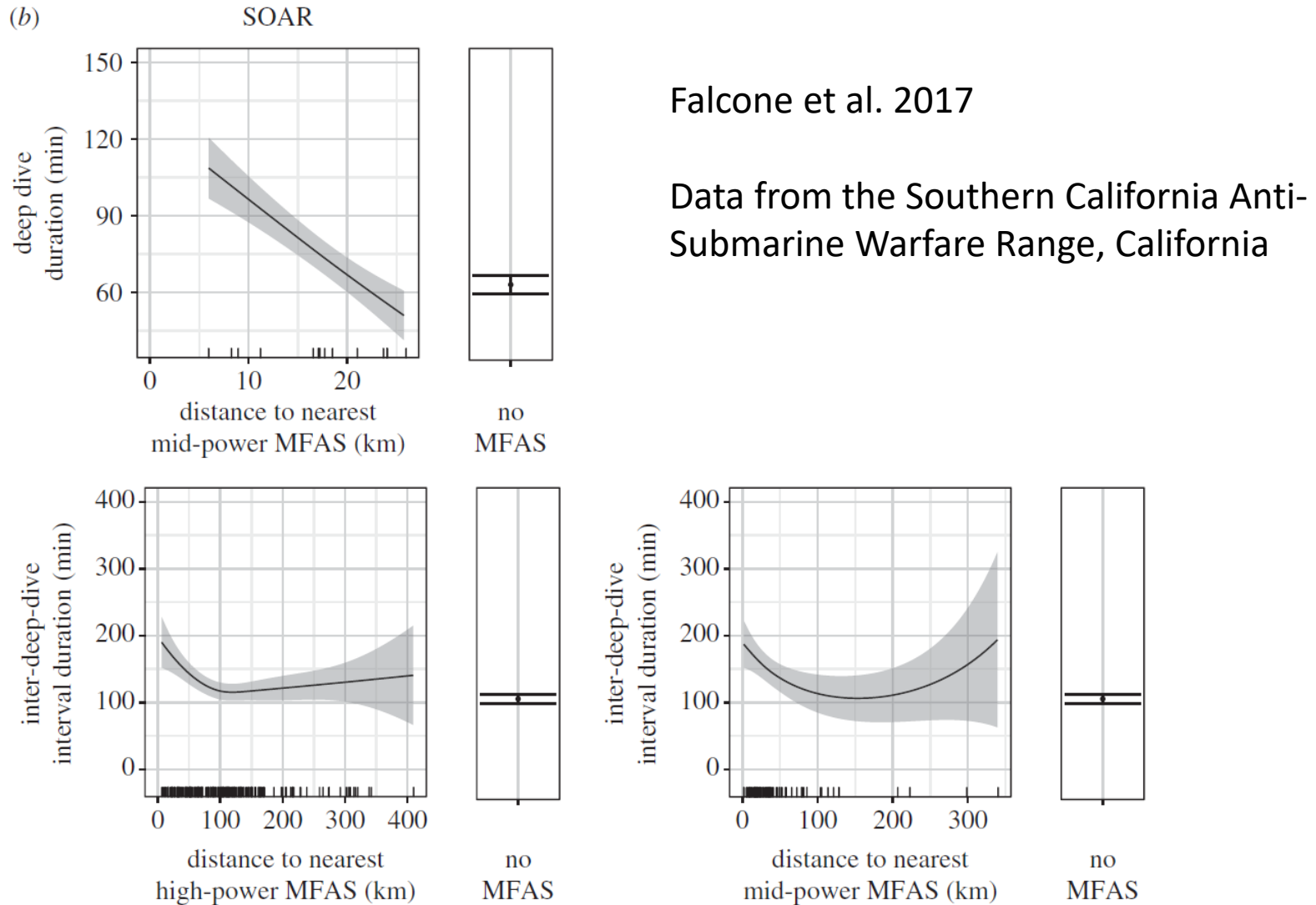
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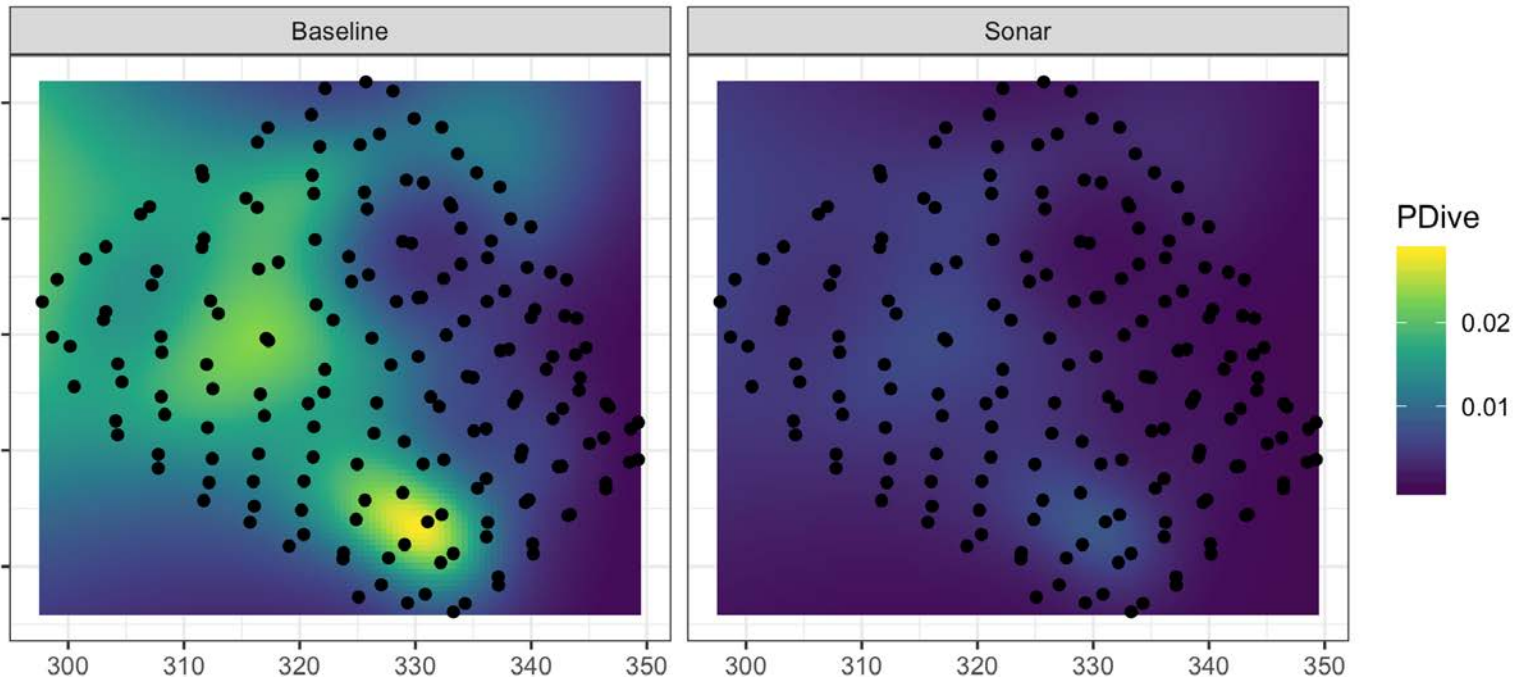
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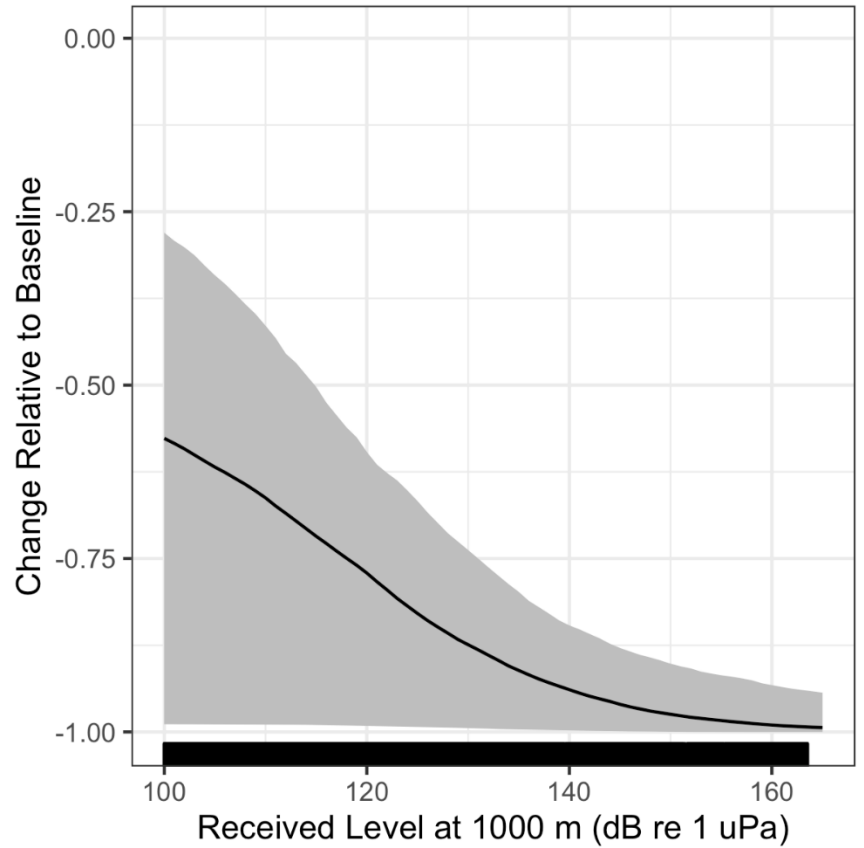
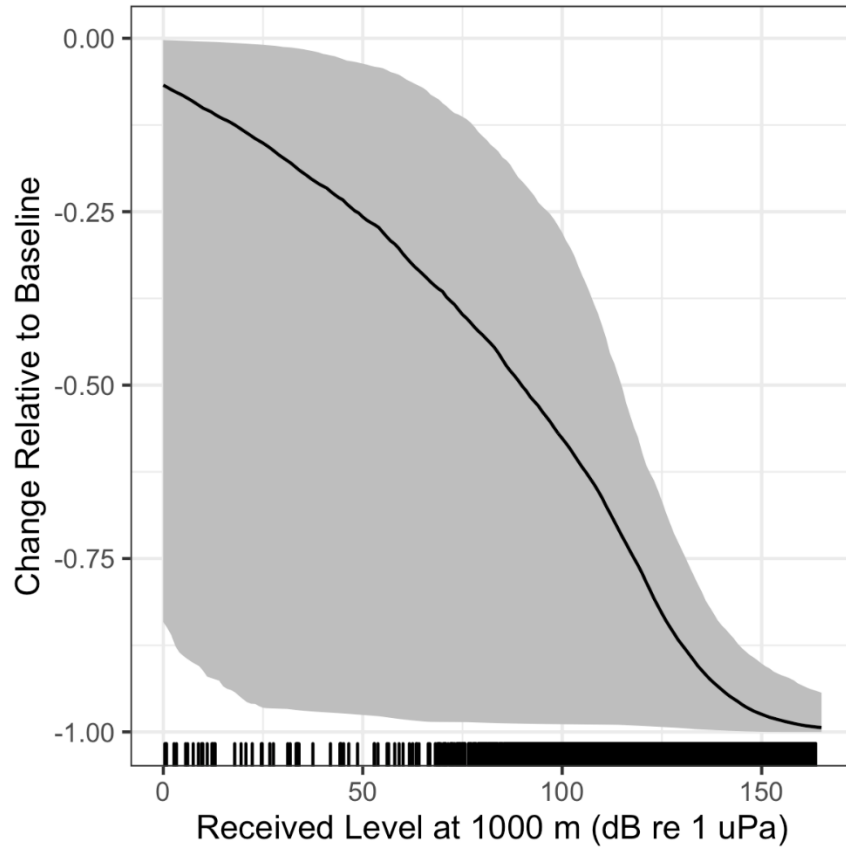
# Methods

- Data from up to 168 hydrophones
- Data before and after 7 training events over XX years
- For each hydrophone and each 30 minute period:
  - Beaked whale foraging presence
  - Modeled sonar received levels
- GAM modelling approach to examine the effect of sonar on beaked whale foraging behavior

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# Next Steps

- Increase sample size
- Confirm baseline periods as baseline
- Examine the effect of sonar type