

IOBC moves forward with Educational Benefits



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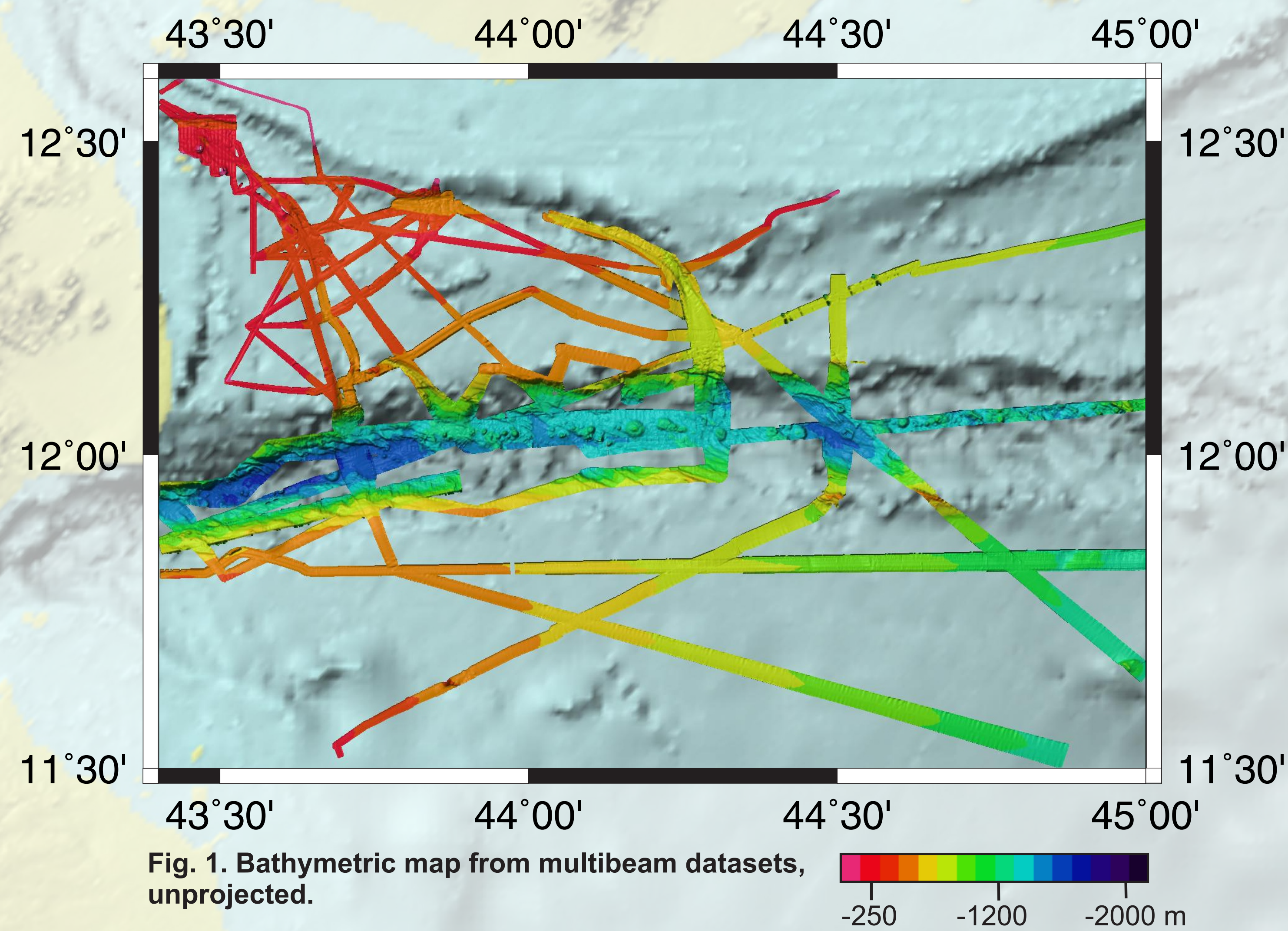


Fig. 1. Bathymetric map from multibeam datasets, unprojected.

Data processing begins

The Western region of the Gulf of Aden was chosen as an area for testing the procedures of data processing for the IOBC project. Seven datasets, available at <http://maps.ngdc.noaa.gov/viewers/bathymetry/> were used for the compilation of a map presented in Figure 1:

Survey	Source	Ship	Year
1. Ew0109	LDEO*	<i>Maurice Ewing</i>	2001
2. Ew0110	LDEO*	<i>Maurice Ewing</i>	2001
3. Ew0111	LDEO*	<i>Maurice Ewing</i>	2001
4. KN162L11	WHOI**	<i>Knorr</i>	2001
5. KN162L15	WHOI**	<i>Knorr</i>	2001
6. M31L3	Germany	<i>Meteor</i>	1995
7. M32L1	Germany	<i>Meteor</i>	1995

* Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory

** Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution

GEBCO / Nippon Foundation Indian Ocean Bathymetric Compilation Project

The IOBC is a multinational project, coordinated by Project Director, Dr. Rochelle Wigley. The main objective is to produce the highest possible resolution bathymetric grid of the Indian Ocean using all available data from various sources.

Major data sources were identified by the students of the 8th class (2011-2012) of Nippon Foundation / GEBCO Training Program as a part of the class project. The 9th class (2012-2013) subsequently participated in the first stage of data analysis.

Test grid

Figure 2 presents the GMT plot of the 100 m cell size test grid, generated from multibeam data from seven datasets presented in Figure 1, compiled with the existing GEBCO 30 arc-second grid. A spline algorithm with a tension of 0.75 was used for the surface generation.

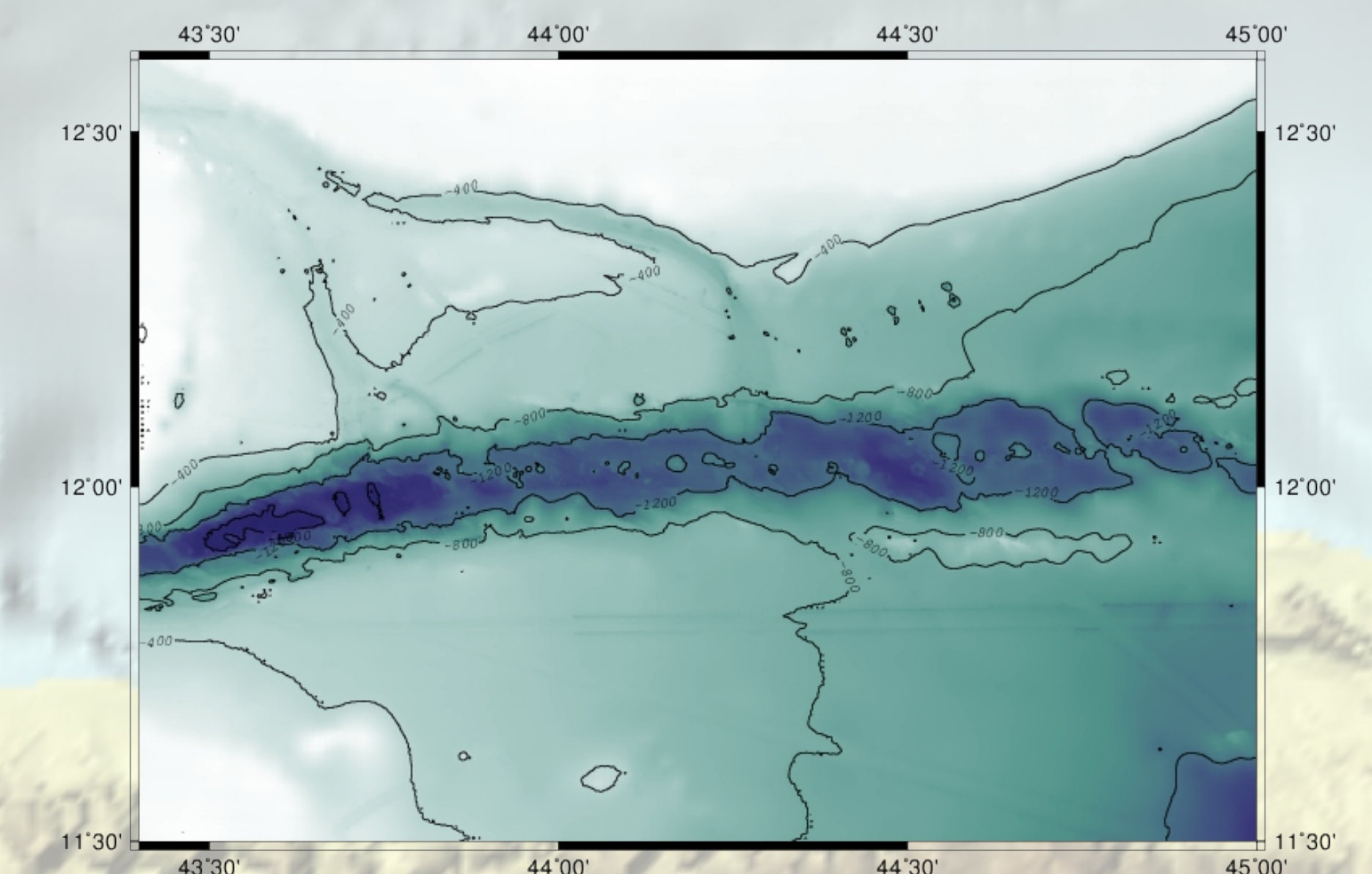


Fig. 2. Bathymetric map of test area, generated from 100 m grid. Projection: Mercator. Contours every 400 m.

Learn more

All the steps of the data analysis are described and explained in a simple way by the class project authors. These descriptions, with accompanying information about Ocean Mapping and GEBCO activities, are available on the project web page. This page not only summarizes the Nippon Foundation / GEBCO 2012-2013 class project, but will also serve as a quick reference and a knowledge base for GEBCO and other scholars.

Visit the project web page: <http://ccom.unh.edu/gebco2013/>



The GEBCO_08 Grid, version 20100927, <http://www.gebco.net>

This poster summarizes the 2012-2013 Nippon Foundation / GEBCO class project, prepared by the students of Bathymetry Spatial Analysis class at the University of New Hampshire: Eunice Nuerkie Tetteh, Htike Htike, Siong Hui Lim, Takafumi Hashimoto, Xinh Sy Le, Xiao Guo and Karolina Chorzewska.