

# Big vs Small AUV

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# Agenda

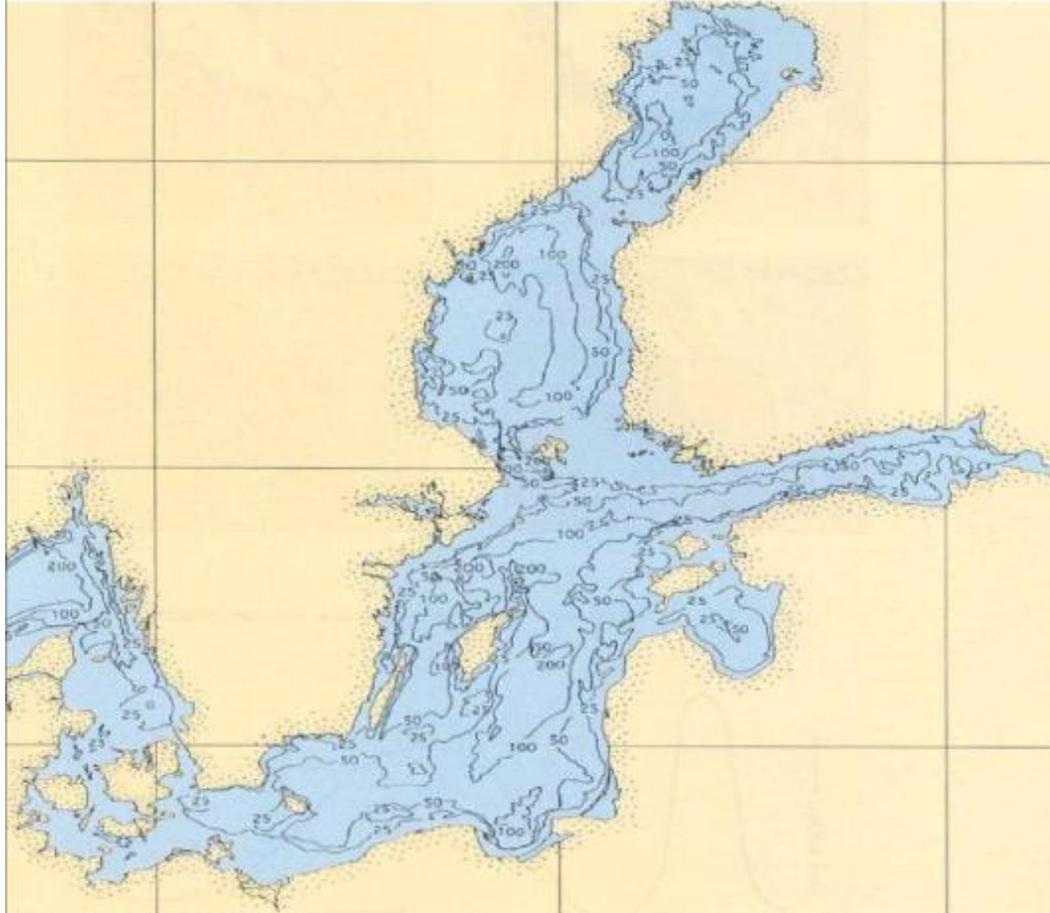
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- The environment
- Traditional MCM
- Future MCM
- Pros & Cons for different MCM solutions

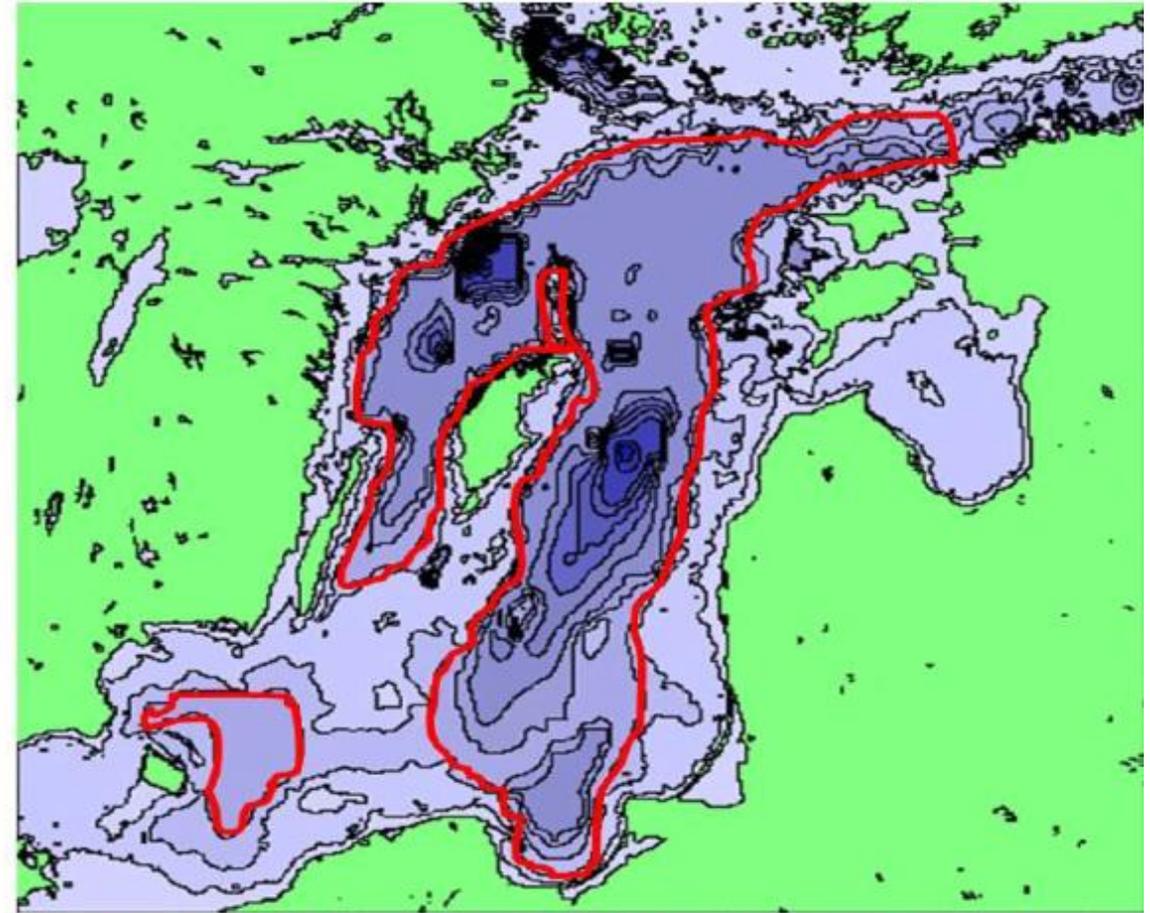


# The environment

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Shallow, with rapidly changing depth



Red line: bottom depth below 60 meter

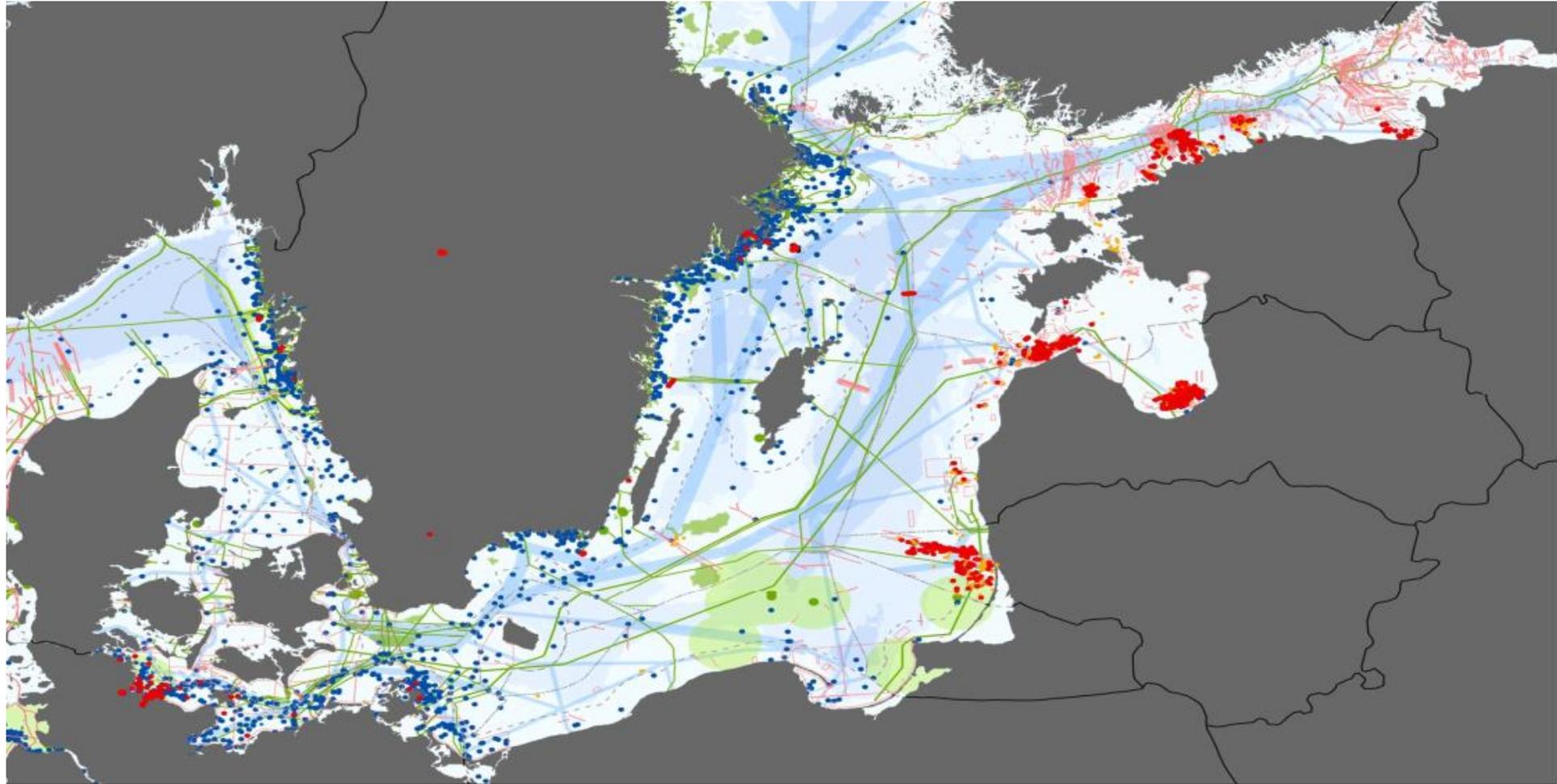
# Mine chart over the Baltic Sea

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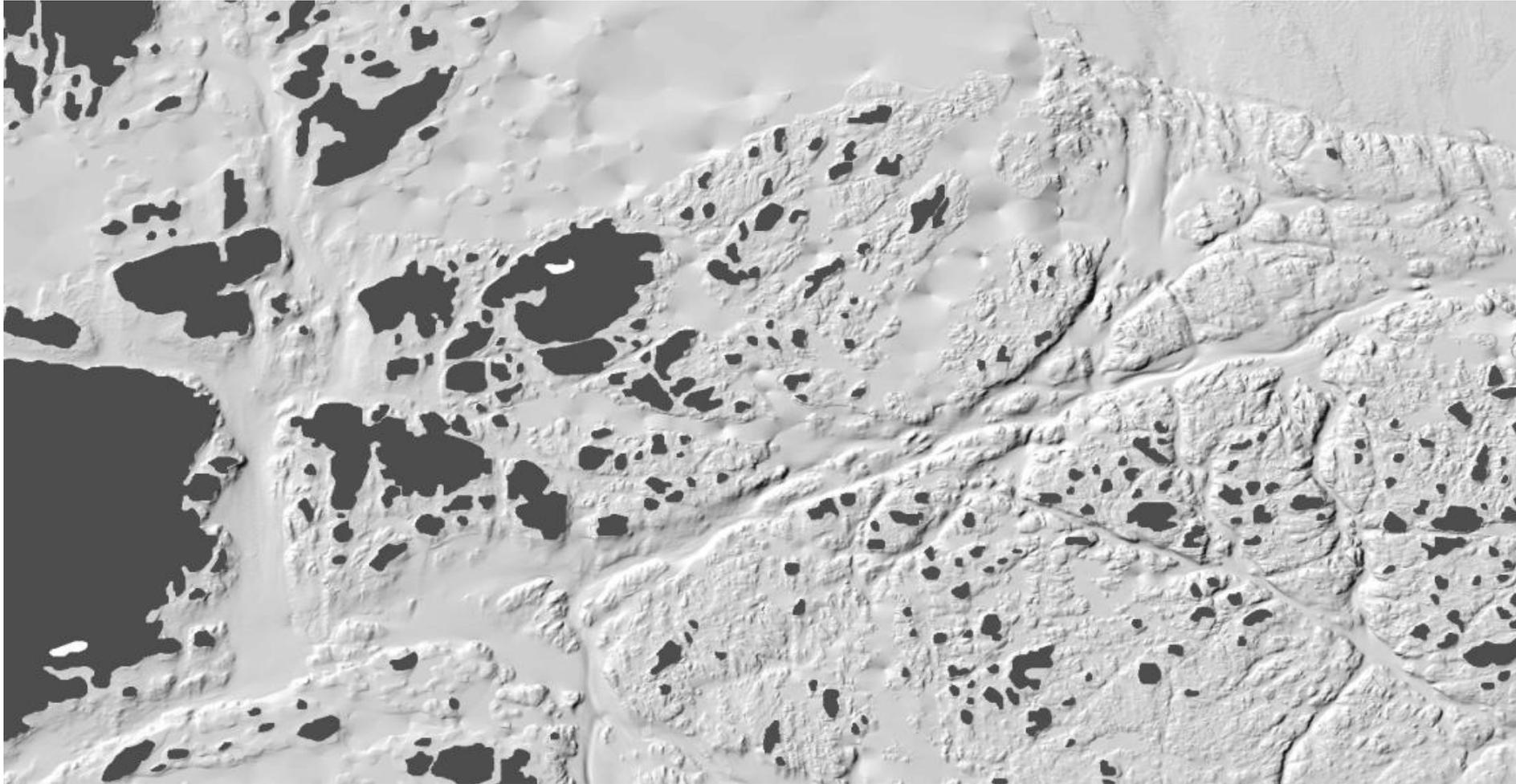
# Sea mines & Sea lanes in the Baltic Sea

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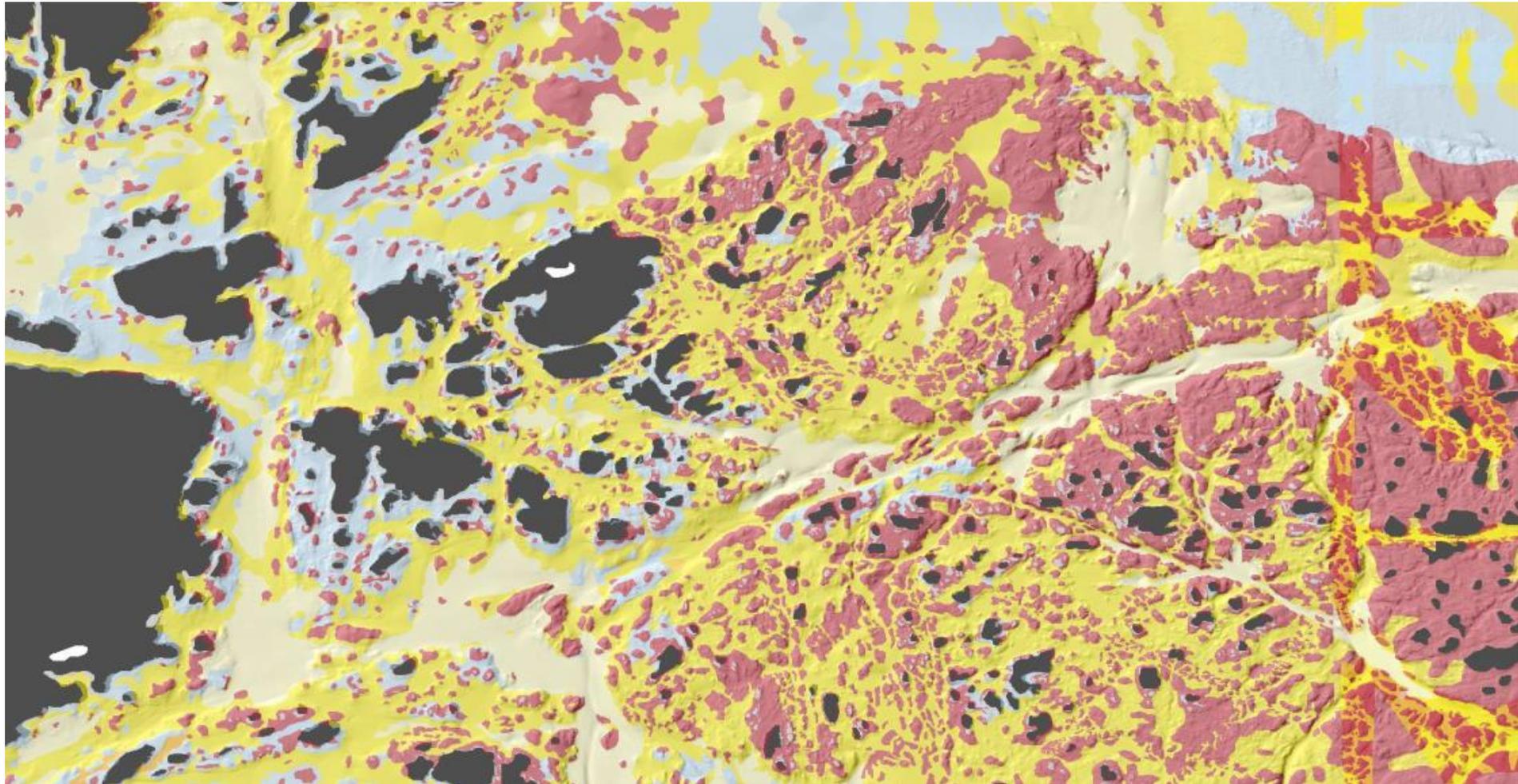
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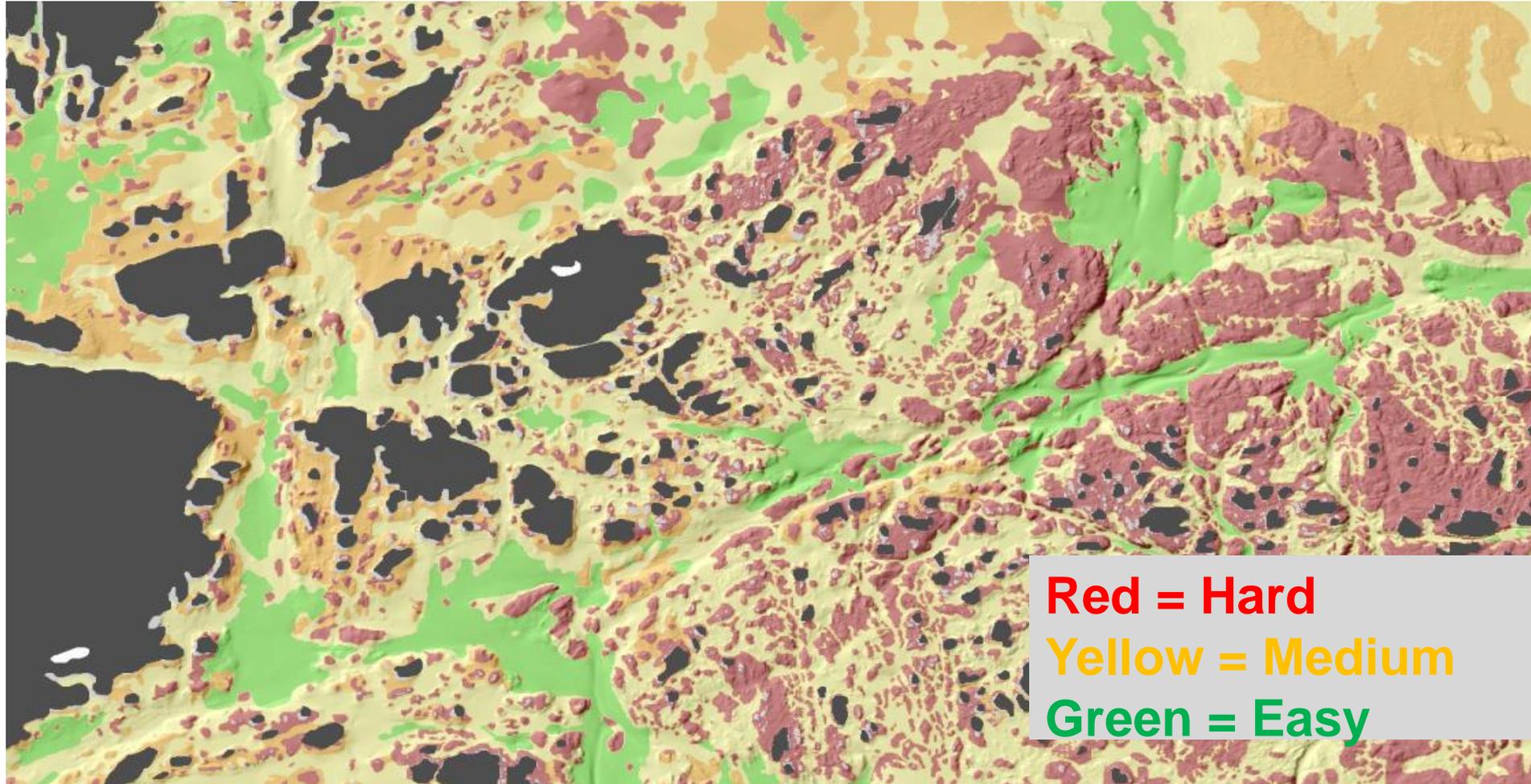
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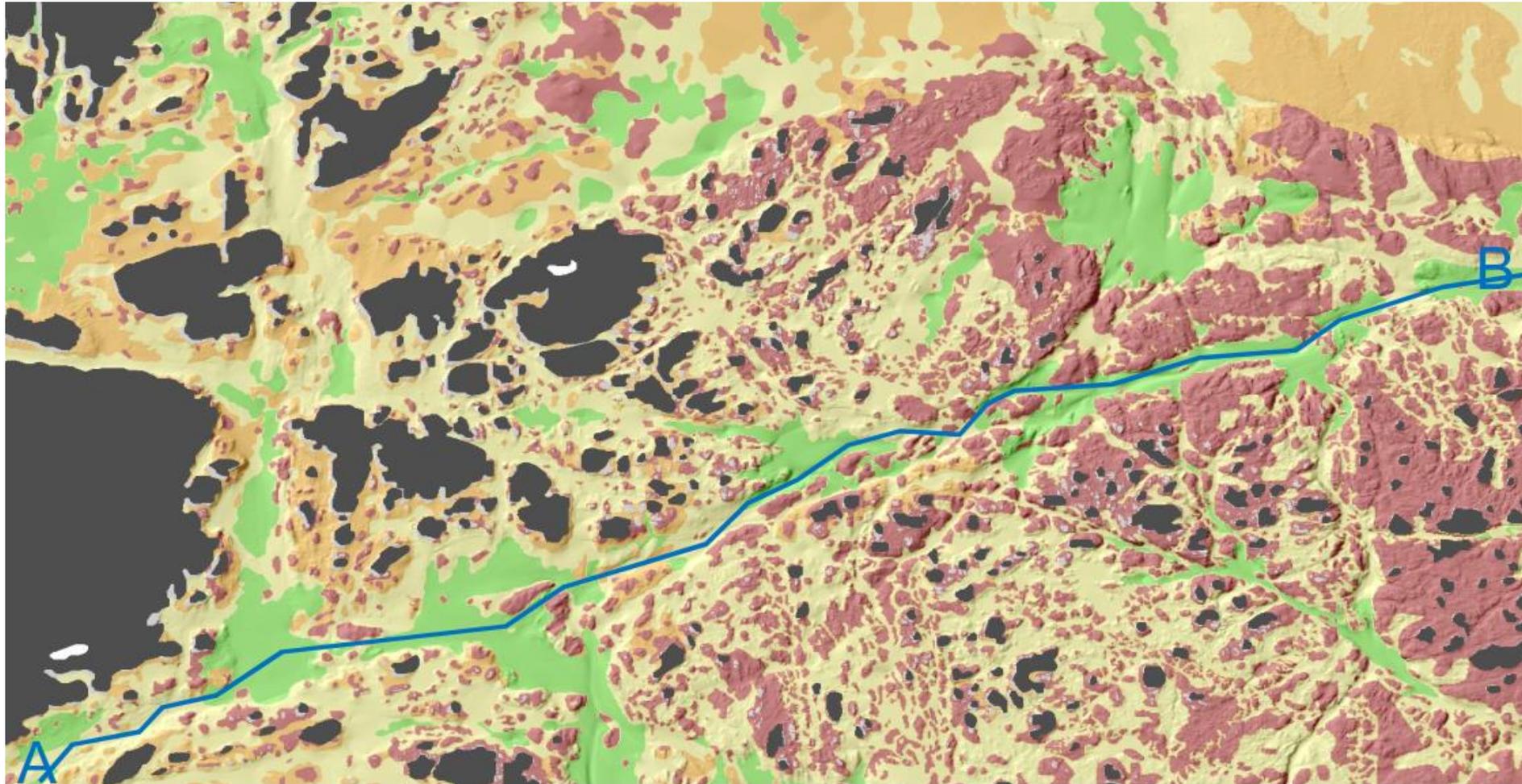
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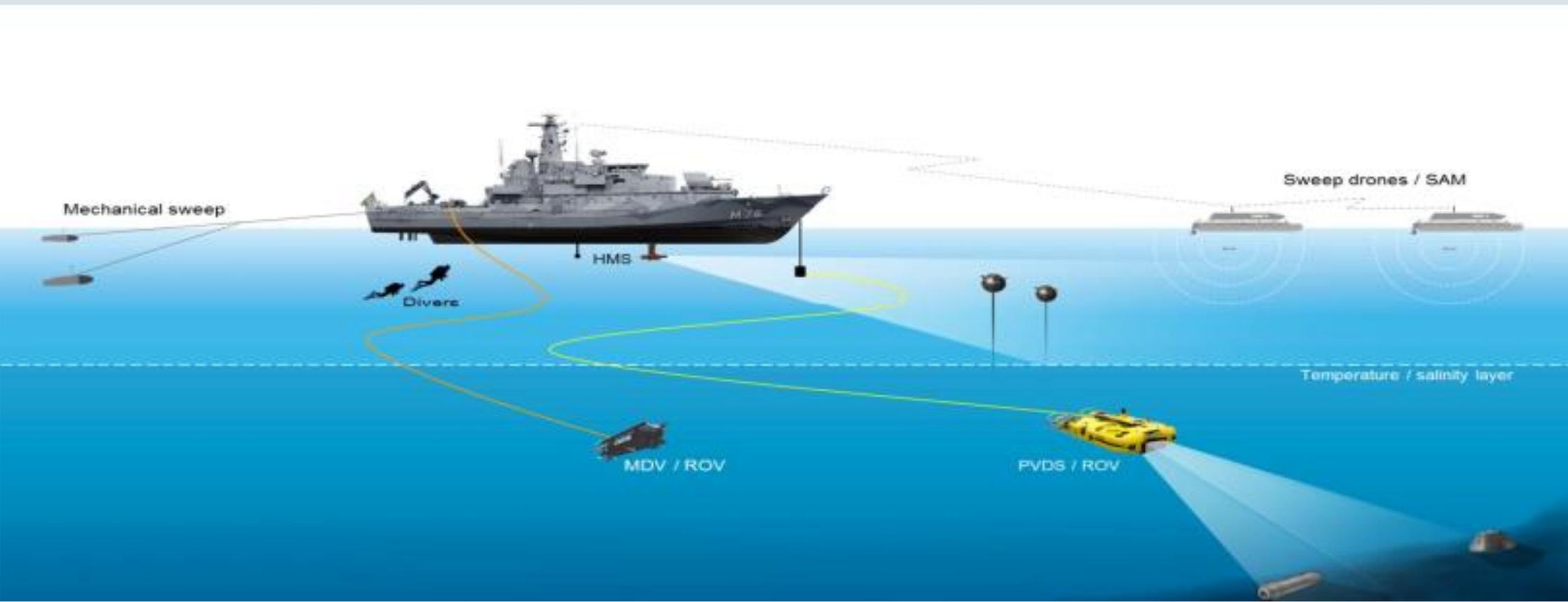


# Change detection

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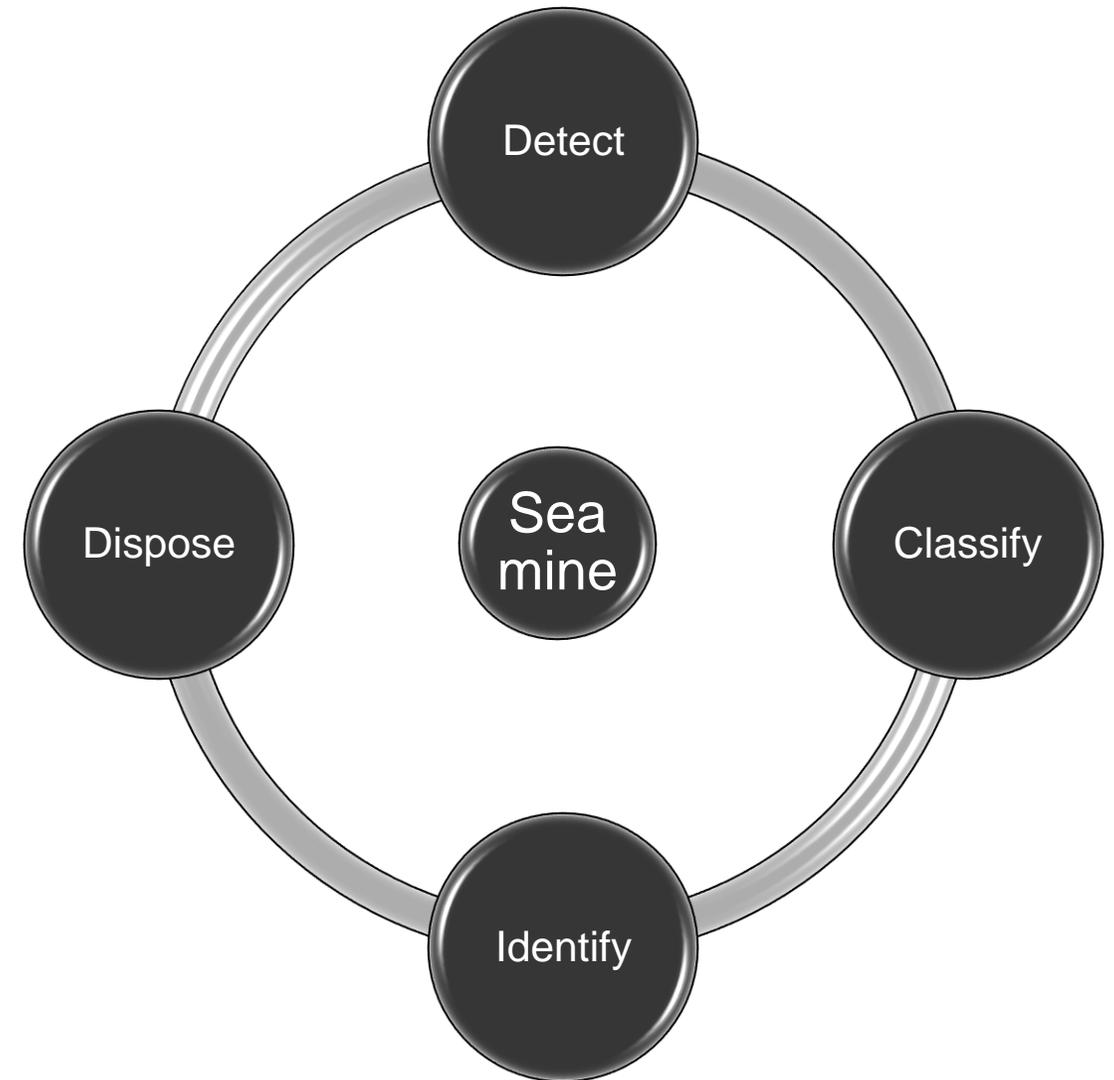
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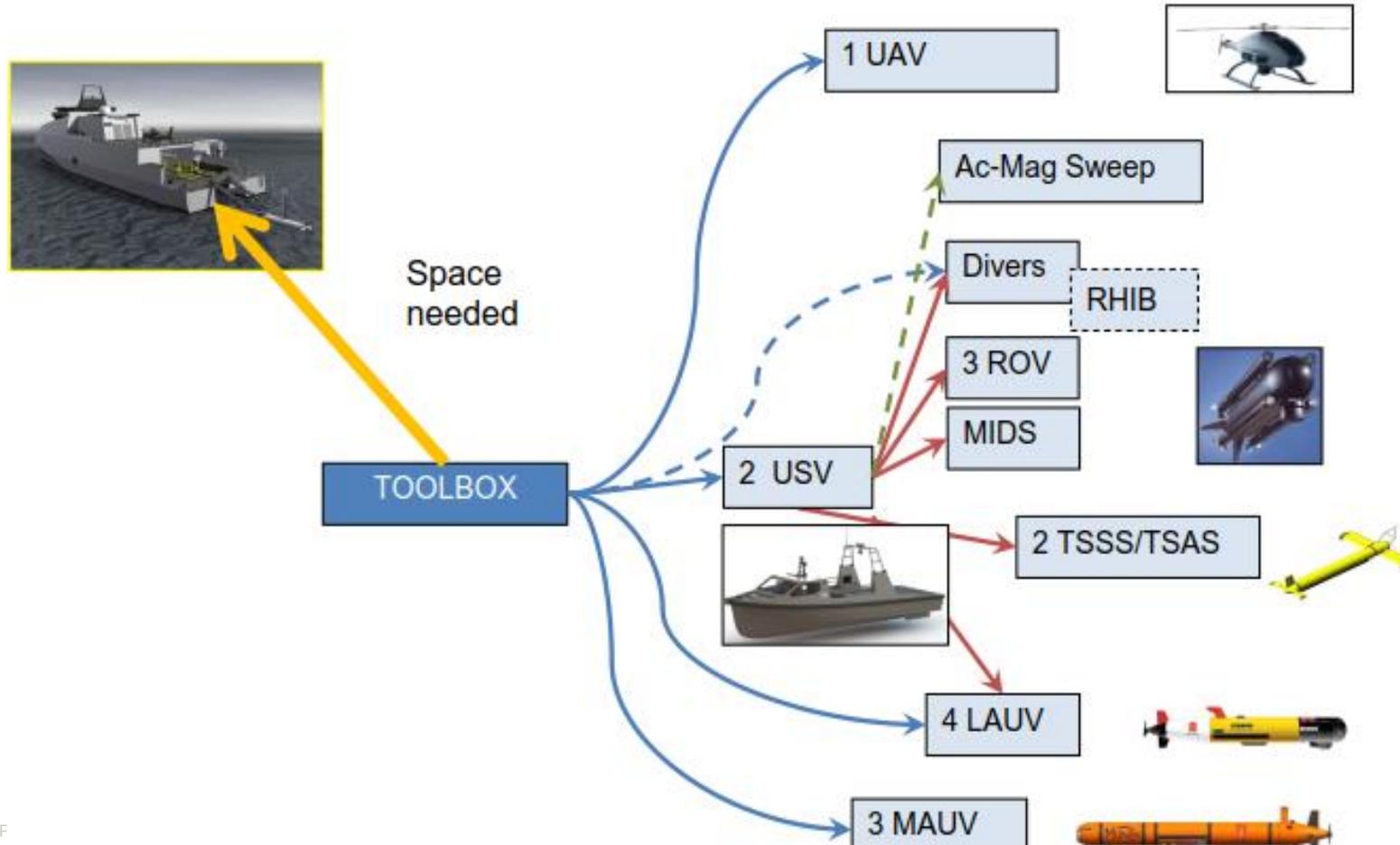
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1. Initial Planning (REA) –Ship based
2. Mine Recognizance (Search) - Ship based
3. Mine Identification – ROV/Diver
4. Mine Disposal – ROV/Diver

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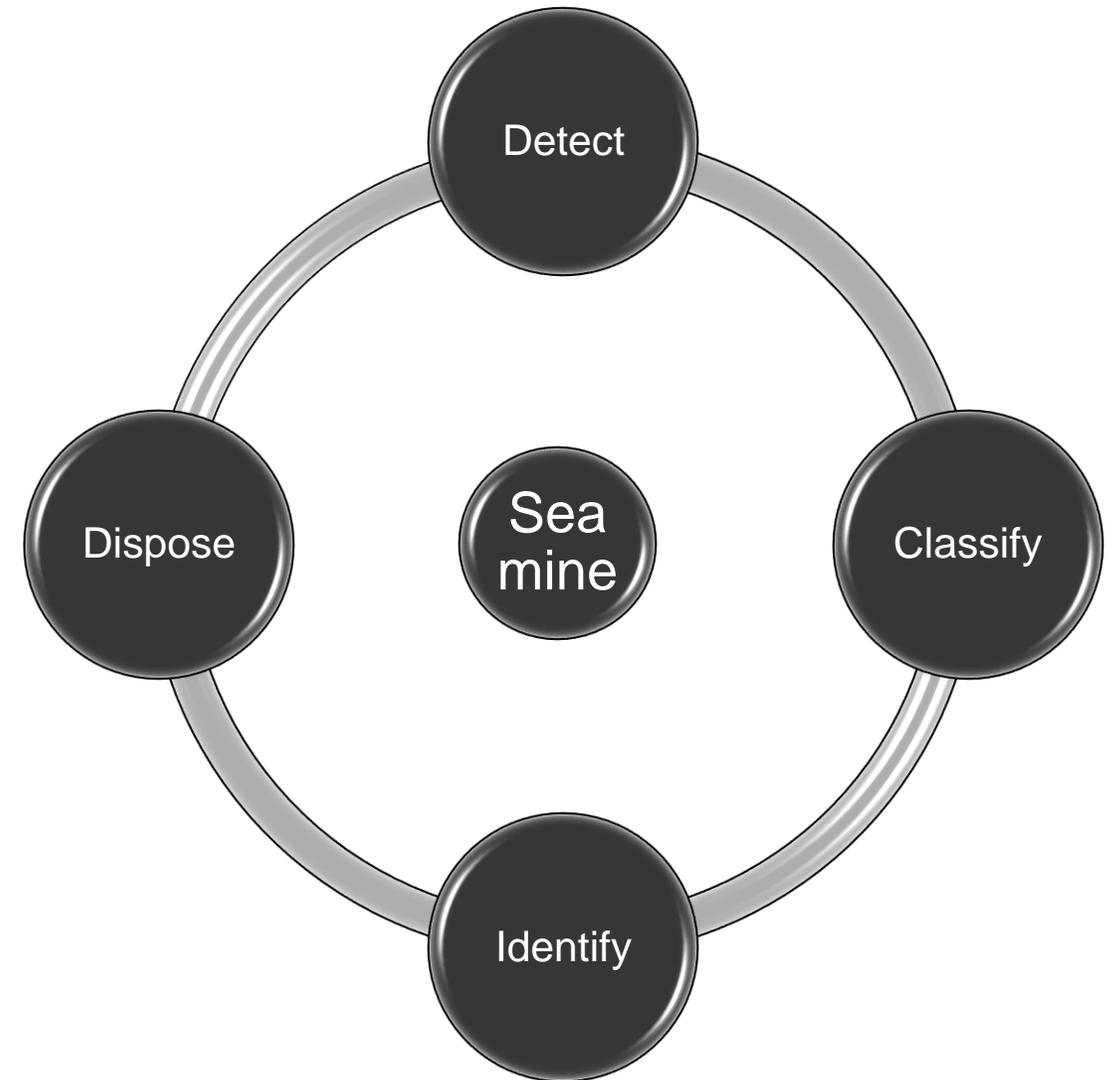
# FUTURE MCM



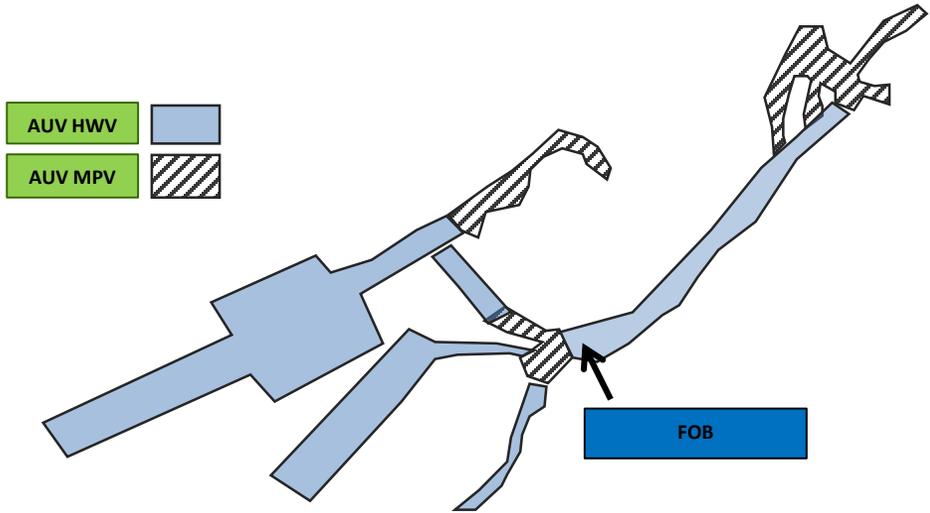
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# New CONOPS for MCM operations



AOR	Length (meter)	Width (meter)	Area (km <sup>2</sup> )
1	20 000	800	16
2	8 000	600	4,8
3	8 000	600	4,8
4	8 000	600	4,8
5	5 000	4 000	20
<b>SUM</b>			<b>50,4</b>

## Prerequisites

- The enemy develop more advanced systems

*Area to search increase*

## Time calculation

$$3 \text{ knots} \times 1\,852 \text{ meters} = 5,56 \text{ km/h}$$

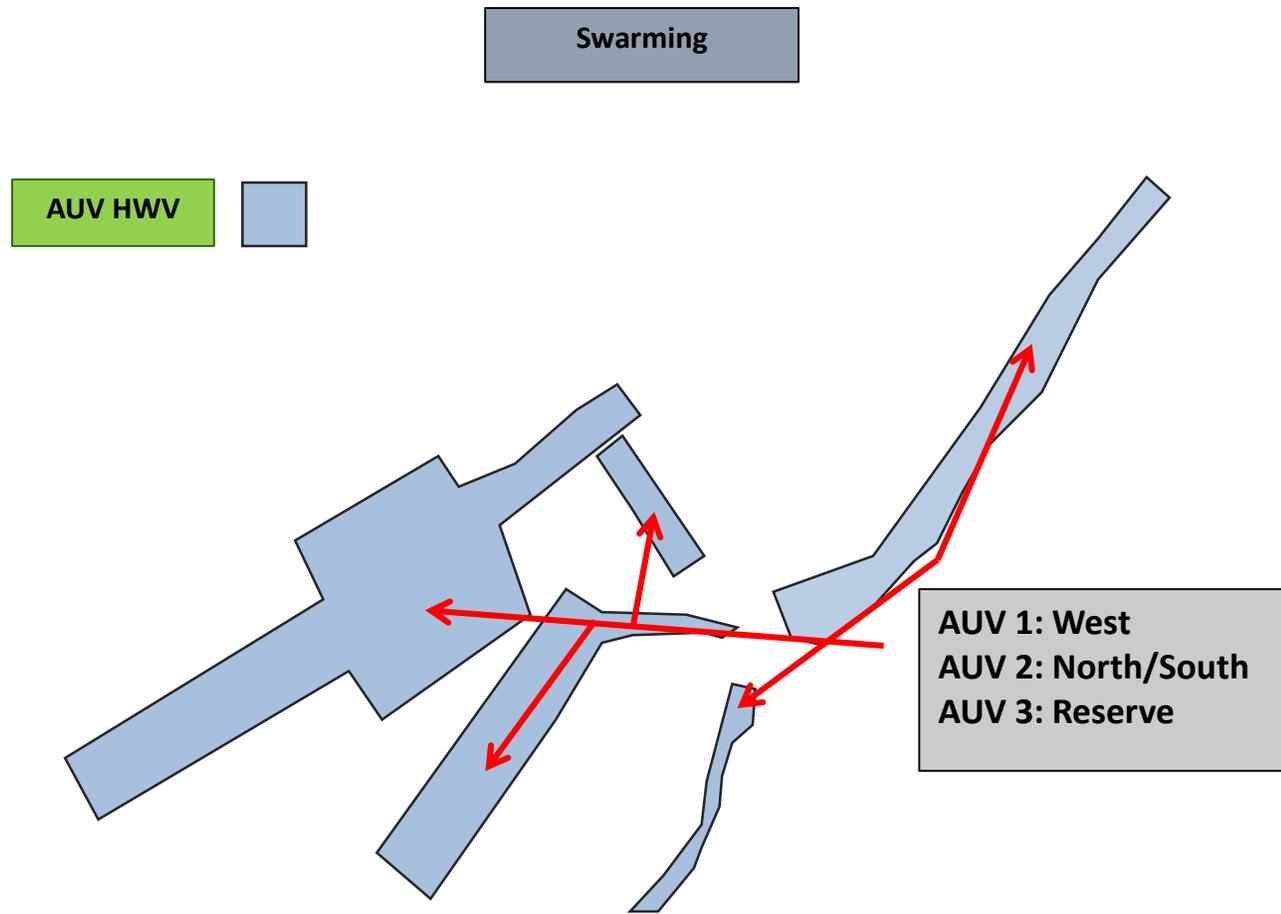
$$5,56 \text{ km/h} \times 400 (2 \times 200) \text{ meters} = 2,22 \text{ km}^2/\text{h}$$

$$100,8 \text{ km}^2 / 2,22 \text{ km}^2 = \mathbf{45,4 \text{ h}}$$

- Add on friction

- Including transportation 200 h = **8 day and night**

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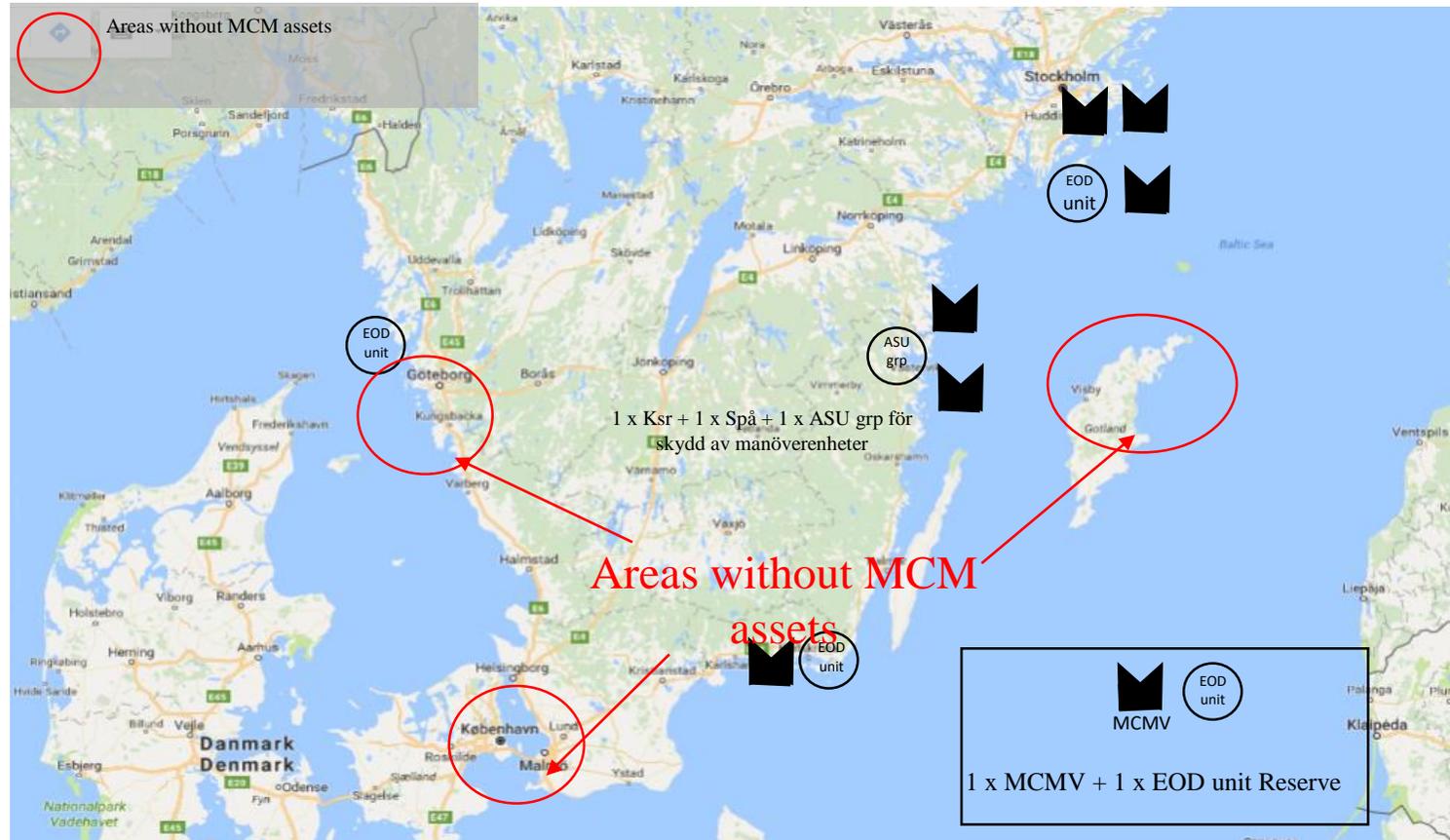


Swarming

**Factor for success!**

**CAD/CAC & change detection**

# New CONOPS for MCM operations



## MCM resources

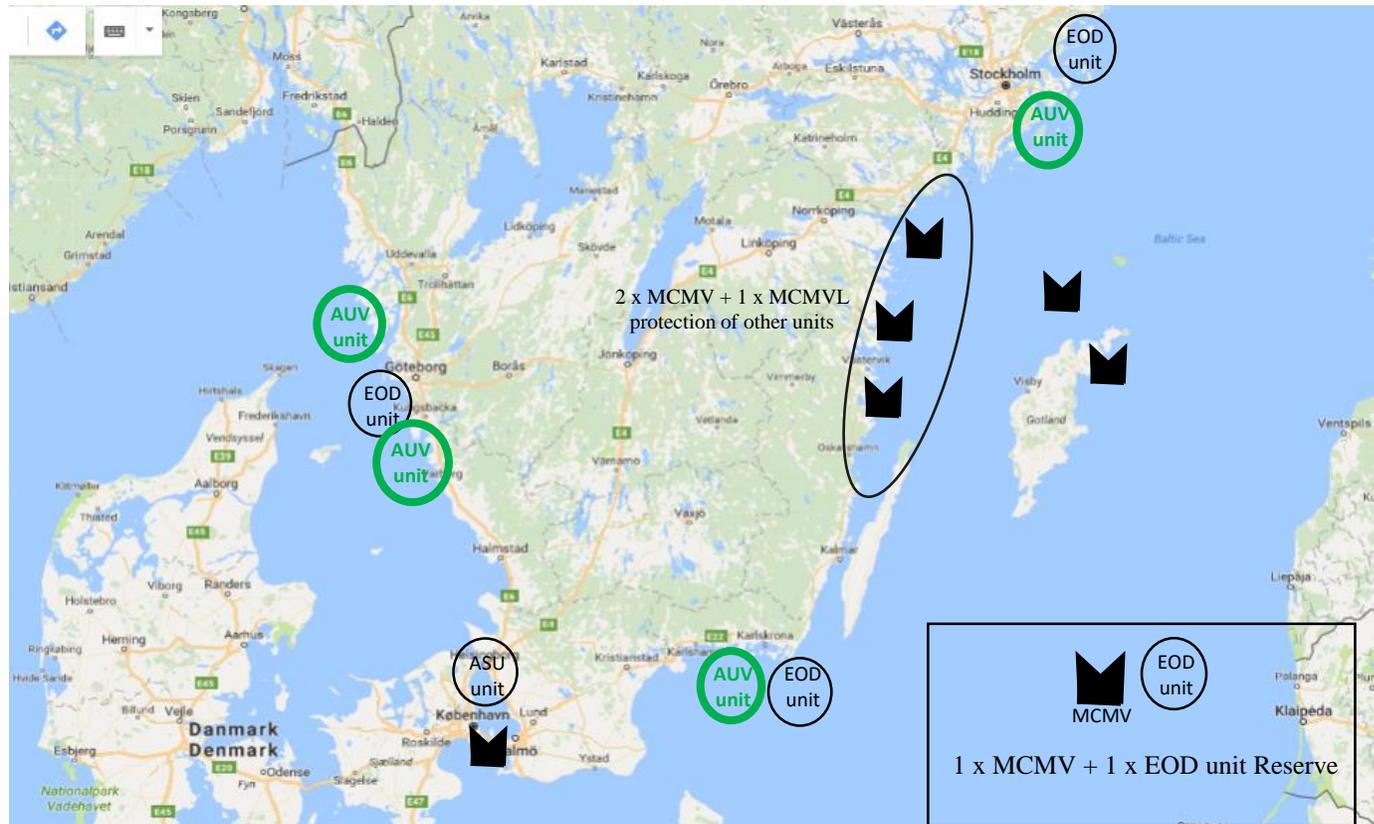
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# Summary of Pros & Cons

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# Traditional vs Future MCM

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## Traditional

### + Experience

Training

Personnel

Equipment

SOP/Regulations

- Time consuming
- Bigger risk
- Expensive
- More environment dependent

## Future

### + Safer

Less men in the minefield

### + Faster

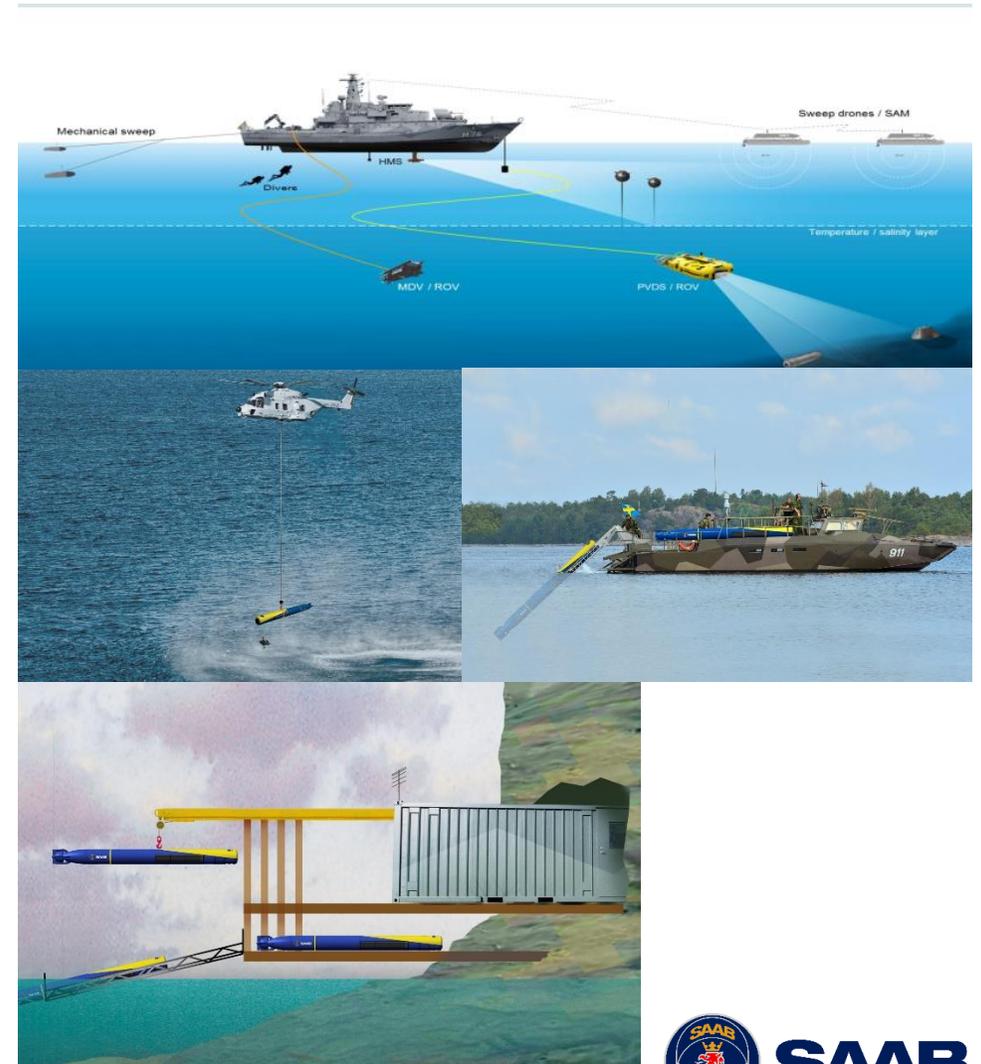
### + Cheaper

### + Less environment dependent

- Unknown
- Training of personnel

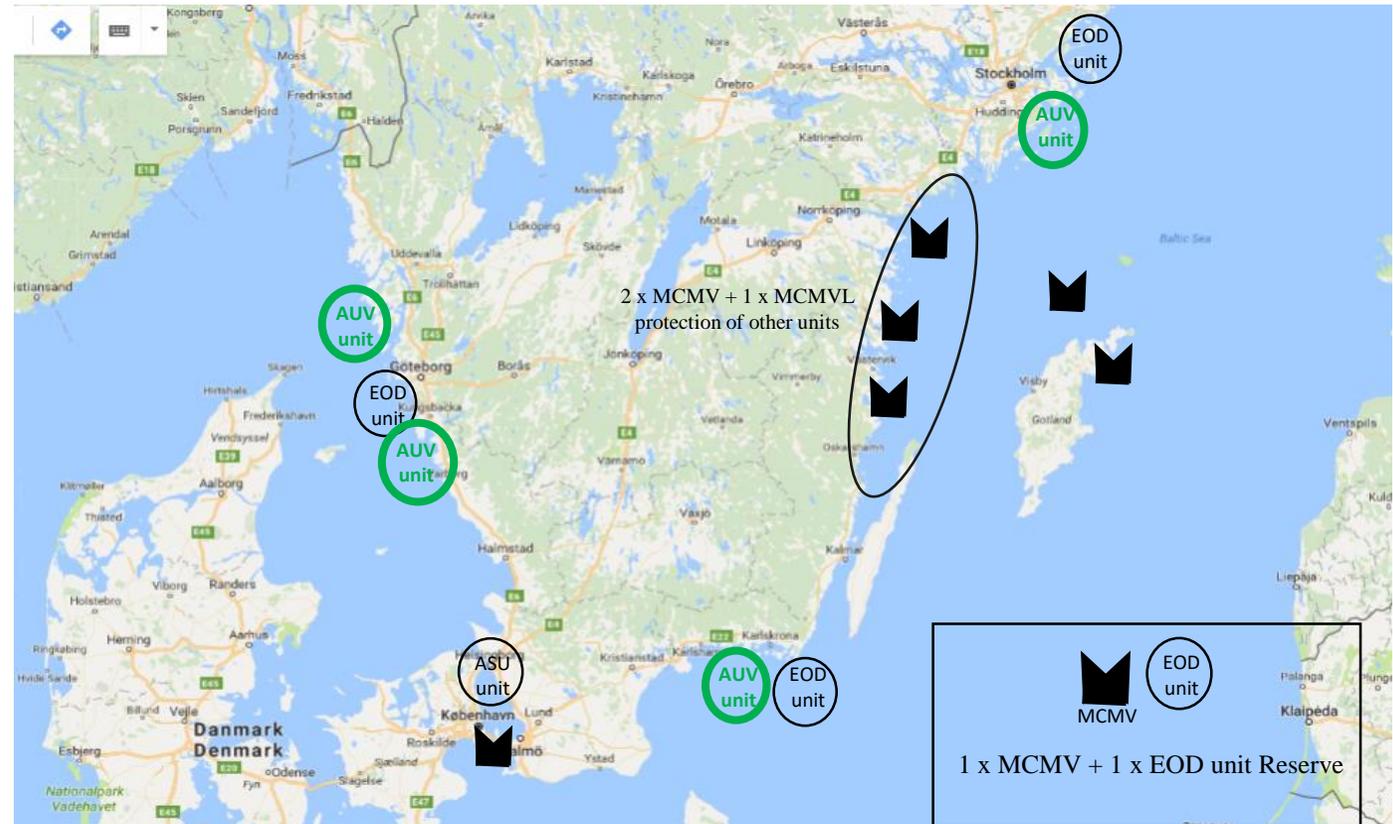
# Traditional & Future fusion/simultaneously

- Usage of AUV for REA
  - Safer and faster
  - Less environment dependent
  - Cost effective
- Optimization of assets
  - Divers & ROV (MCMV's) for disposal
  - Continuously MCM operation
  - Ability to fight in more AOR at the same time
- LARS systems
- The mix of experienced sailors and new equipment



# Fusion success

- Planning
- CAD/CAC
- Change detection
- Data management (MWDC)
  - Quality of data
  - Analysis capability
- Usage of smaller mobile units
- Stationary infrastructure



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