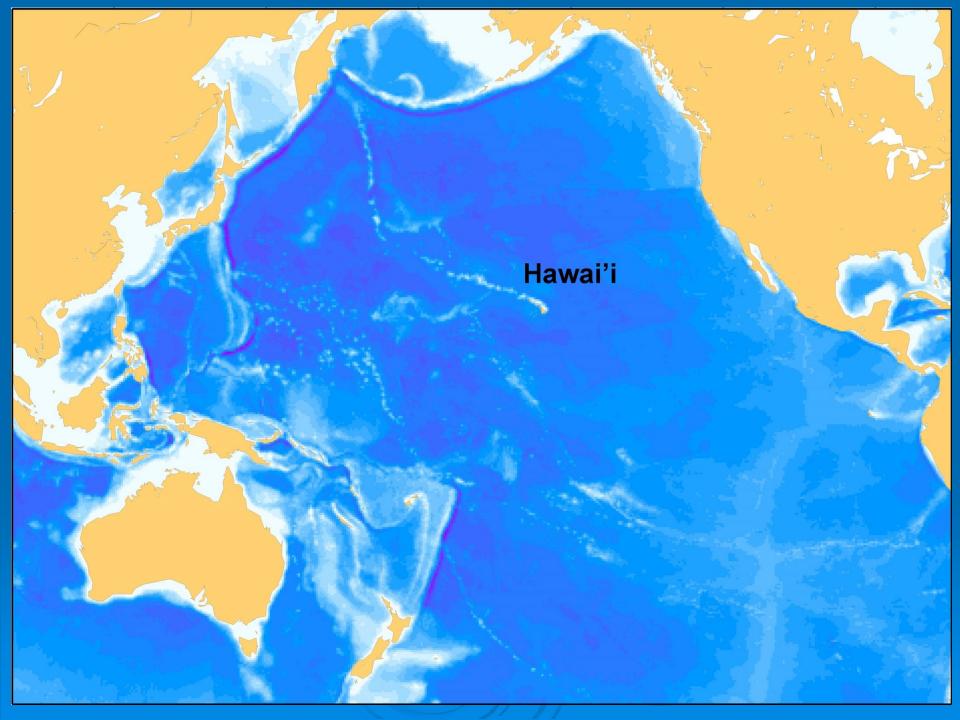




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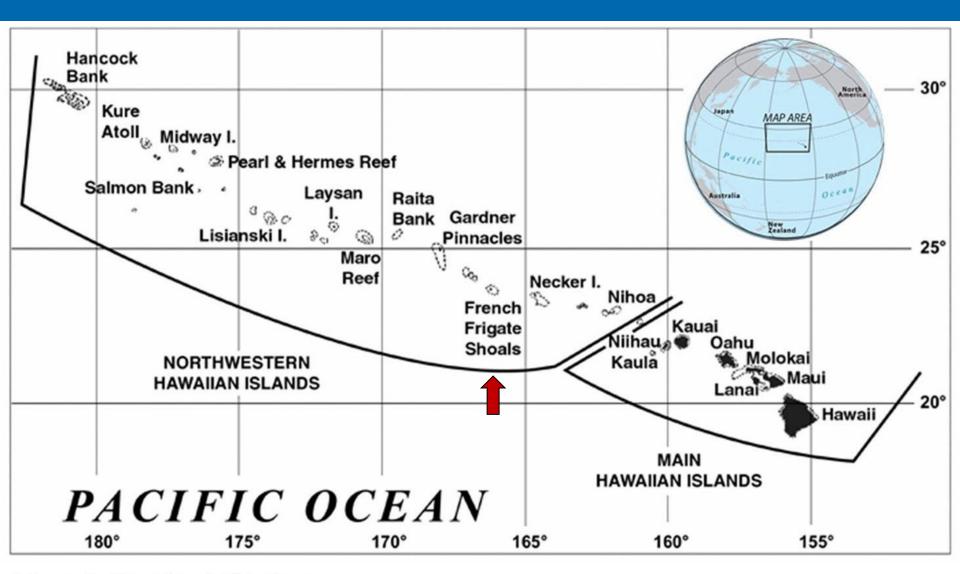
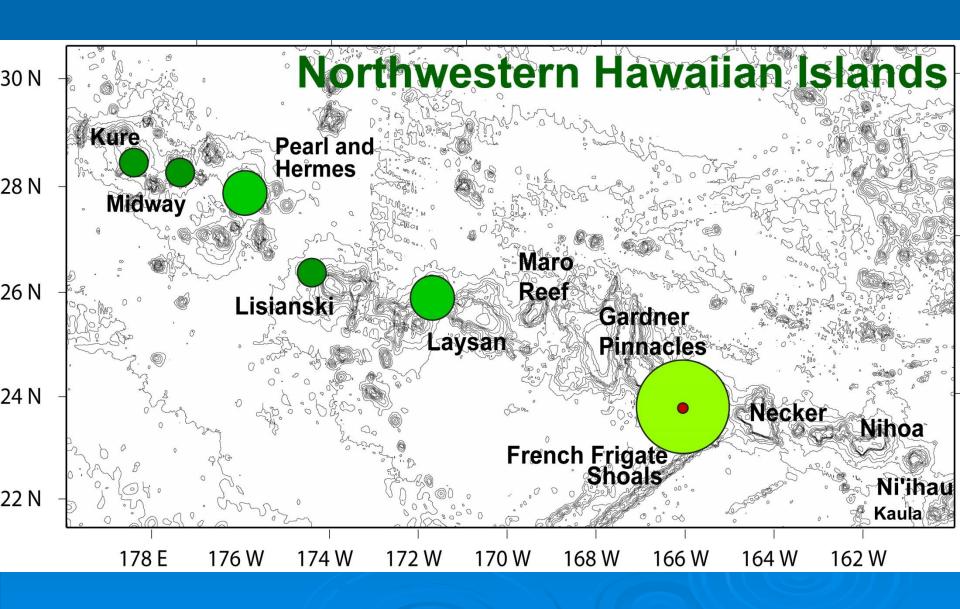


Figure 1. Hawaiian Archipelago





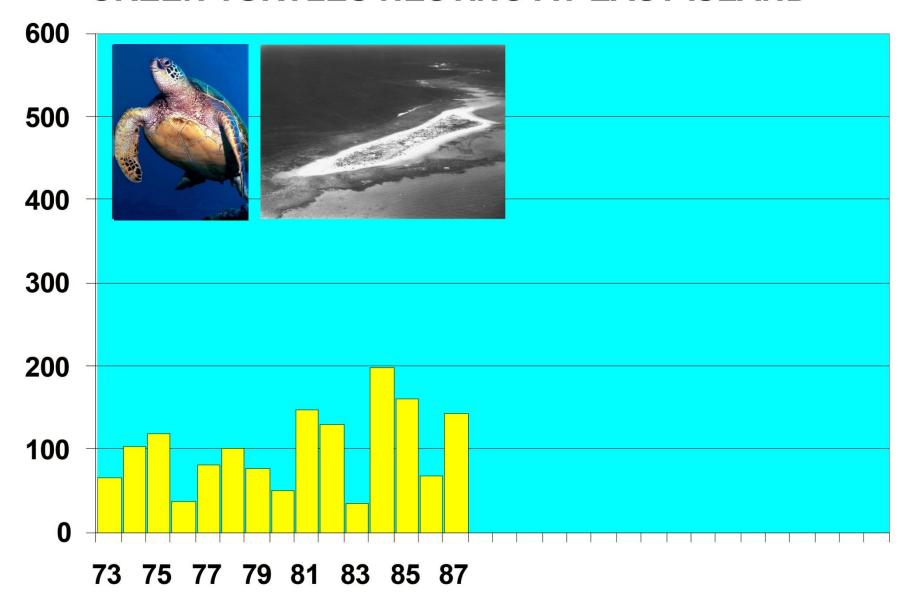




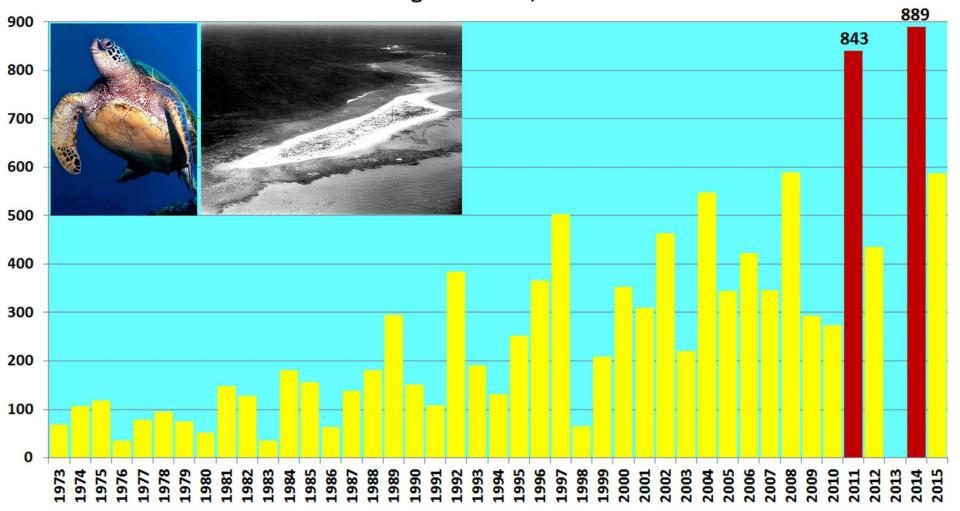




## **GREEN TURTLES NESTING AT EAST ISLAND**



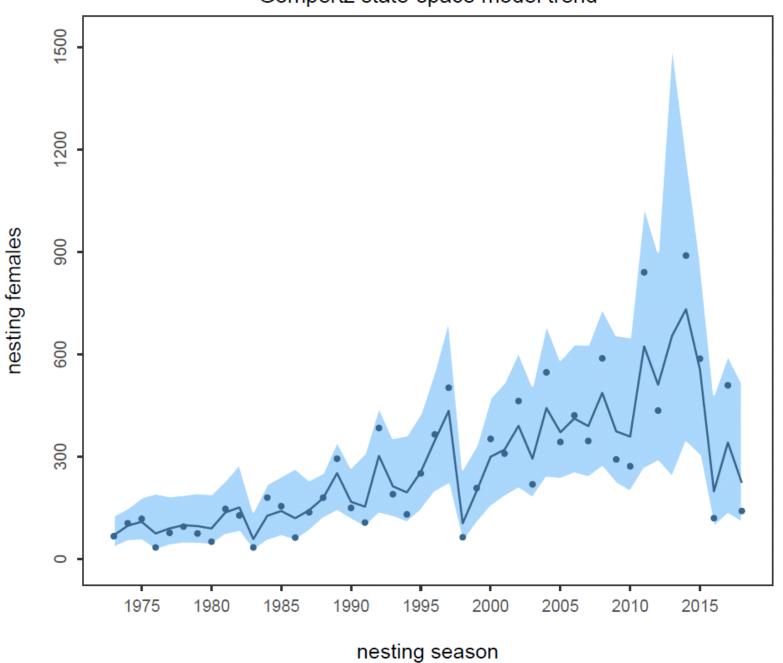
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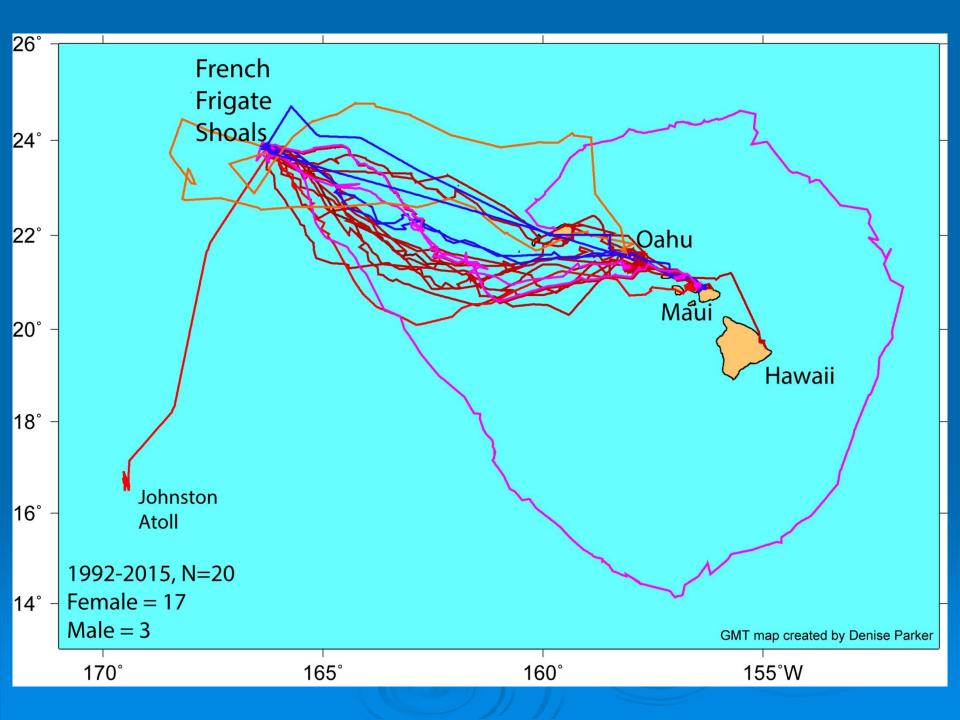


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East Island green turtle rookery Gompertz state-space model trend

















# Cleaning Behavior

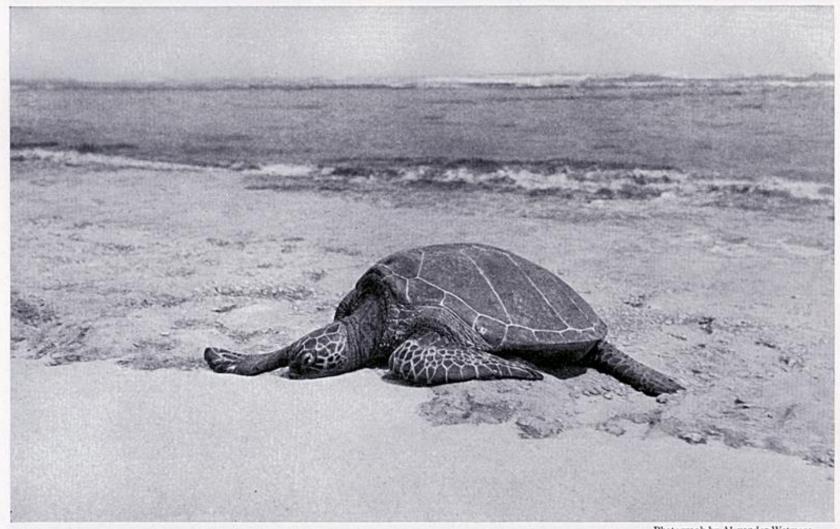








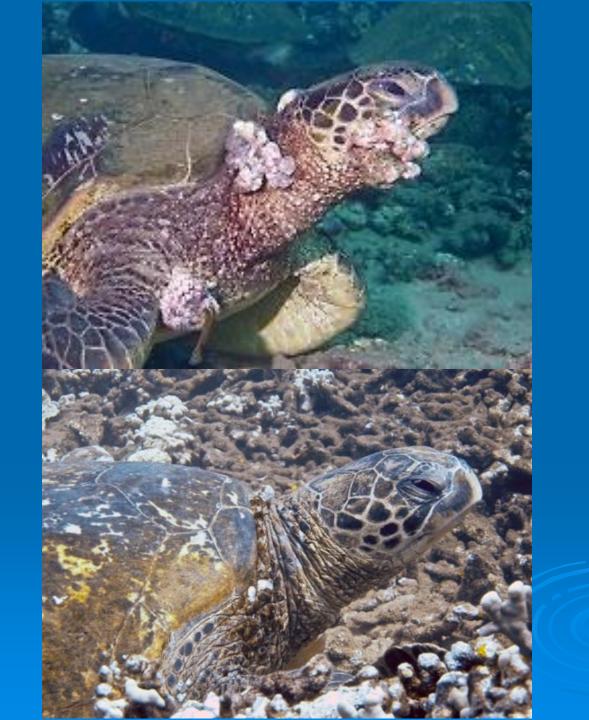


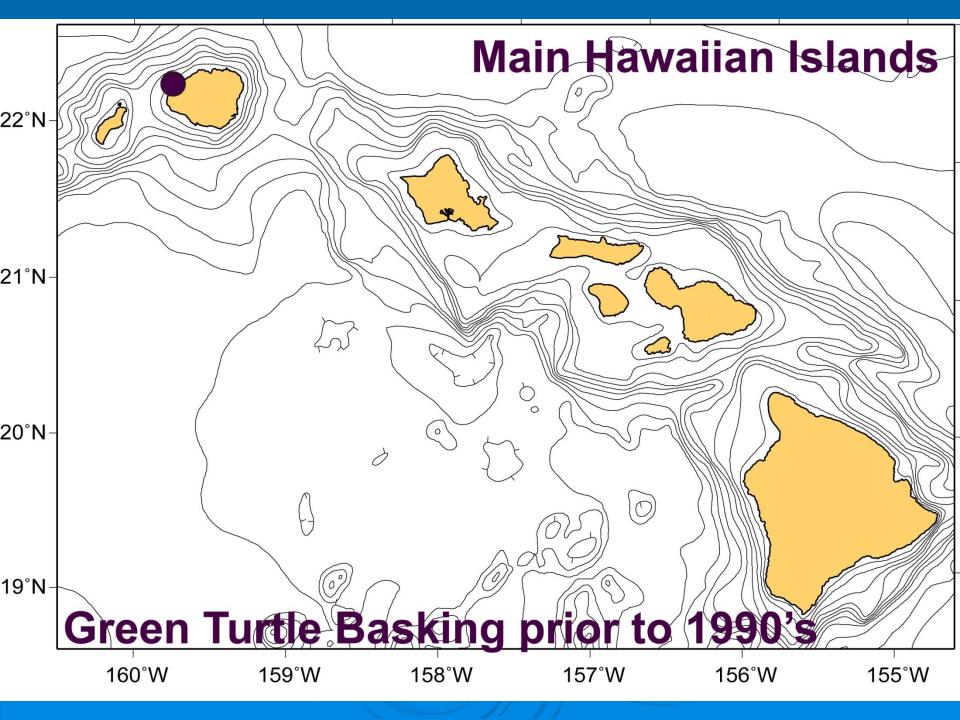


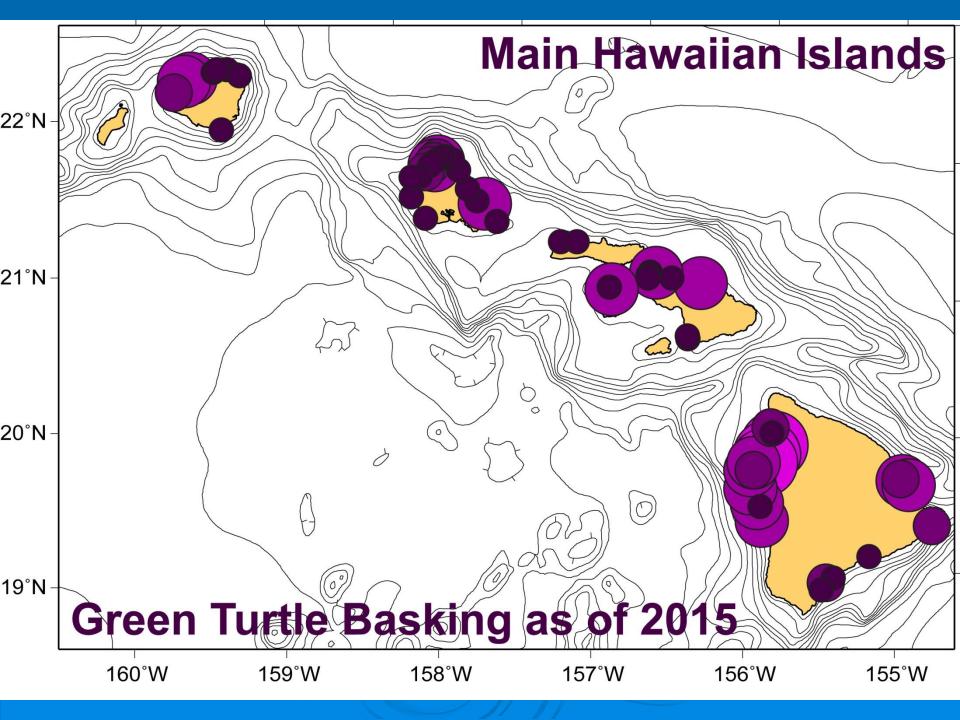
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A GREEN TURTLE ASLEEP ON A SANDY BEACH: LISIANSKY ISLAND

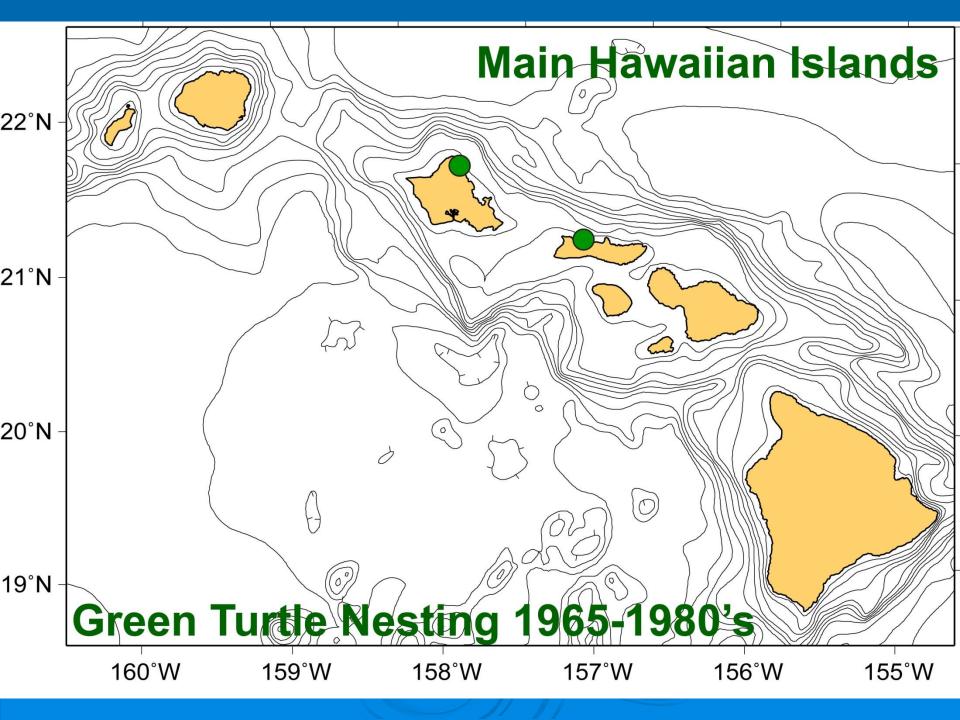
These grotesque creatures browse in submarine fields of algae until hunger is satisfied, and then crawl heavily out to sprawl in the sand, safe from enemies in the sea. On one occasion, the author, while walking 300 yards along the beach on Lisiansky Island, counted 80 of these creatures from fifteen inches to four feet in length. Others, feeding a few yards offshore, were hidden by ripples on the water and so escaped this casual census. Their only enemies seem to be sharks.

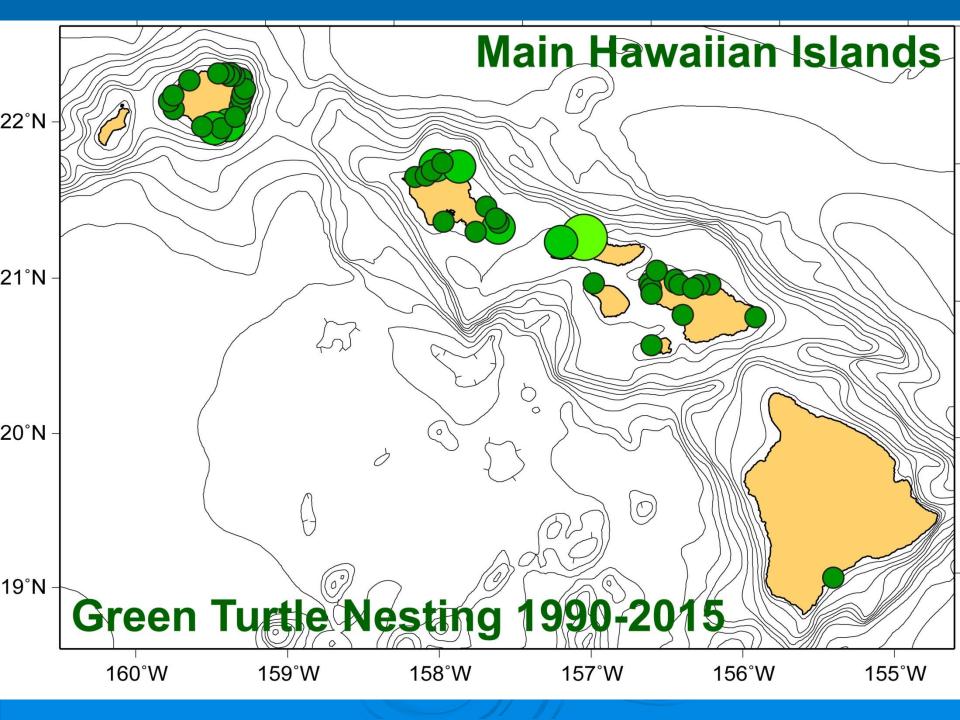


















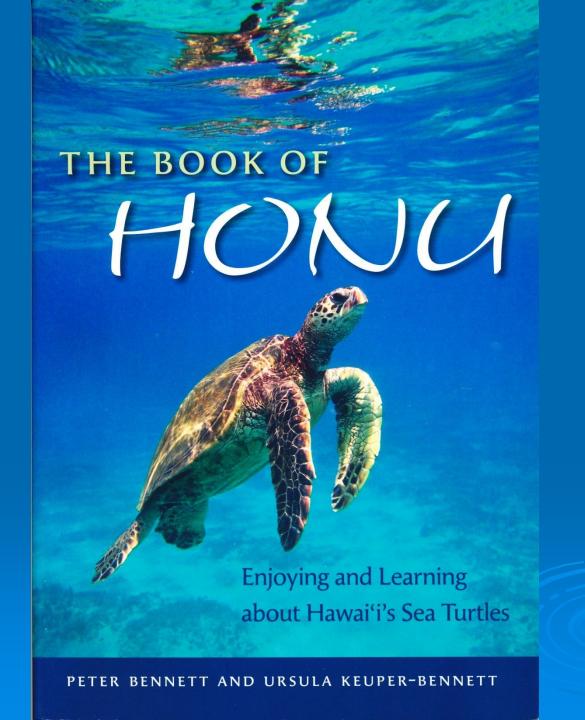














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