



# Supplement of

# Seasonal behaviour of tidal damping and residual water level slope in the Yangtze River estuary: identifying the critical position and river discharge for maximum tidal damping

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Figure S4 shows the seasonal behavior of the three components  $(S_t, S_r, S_{tr})$  that contribute to the development of the residual water level slope *S*.

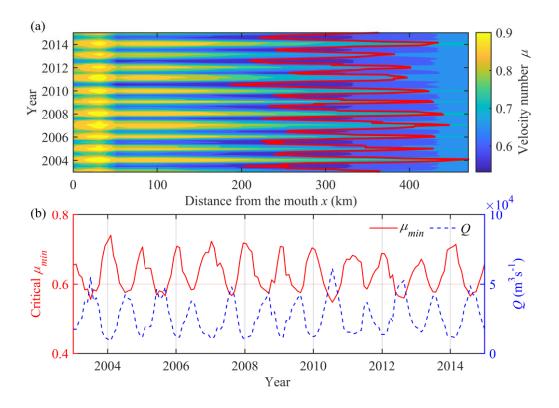


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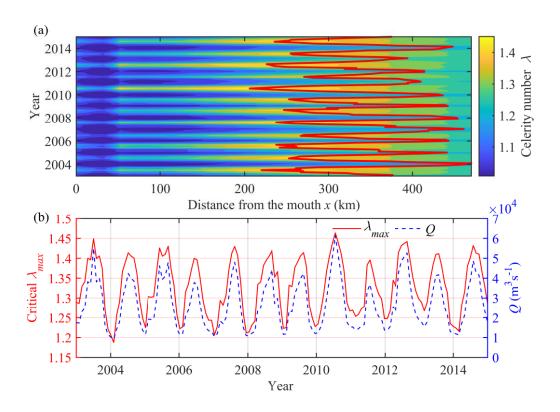


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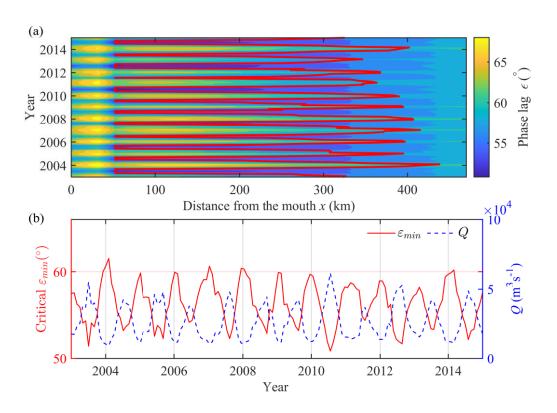


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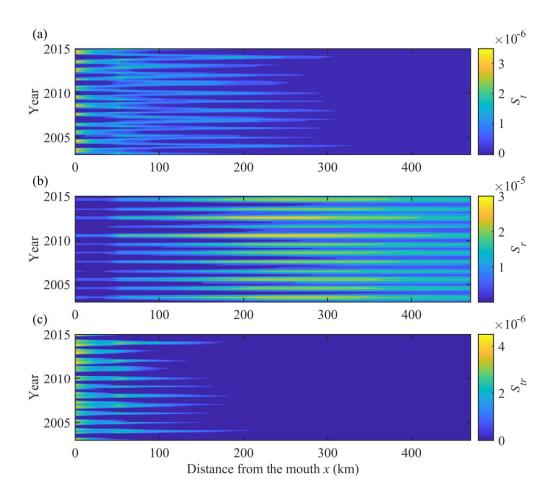


Figure S4. Contour plot of the three contributions made to the residual water level slope: tidal component  $S_t$  (a), riverine component  $S_r$  (b), tide-river interaction component  $S_{tr}$  (c).