

Palaeoenvironmental reconstruction in South
Africa's year-round rainfall zone using multi-
proxy geochemical analyses on lake sediments
from Swartvlei



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Abstract

Coastal lakes in the south coast of South Africa contain sediments with good records of palaeoenvironmental changes. Swartvlei is the largest of the lakes in the Wilderness Embayment and is connected to the Indian Ocean via an estuary. The lake is believed to have been formed during sea-level regressions in the quaternary, and separated from Groenvlei lake between 4000 and 2000 cal BP. There are questions about dominant precipitation regimes as well as the onset, cessation and altitude of marine transgressions in the area. In this study, Holocene sediments from Swartvlei Lake were extracted and investigated using multiple methods. These include organic and inorganic geochemical proxies and multi-dating approach through radiocarbon and OSL dating. A composite profile was made using marker layers with lithostratigraphic distinctions combining three cores into one continuous, 7 m long core spanning 8600 cal BP. The core was subdivided into two distinct zones namely, Unit A (8600 to 3500 cal BP) and Unit B (3500 cal BP to present), identified using cluster analysis on particle size data. The results reveal low sea-levels with limited precipitation and aquatic productivity during the early Holocene, followed by a marine incursion from 4500 to 3500 cal BP and moister conditions thereafter. This marine incursion, marked by increased Ca and TIC concentrations, occurred when the physical barriers were breached, and the estuarine channel widened due to a landward strandline migration. Pronounced riverine input due to increased precipitation was observed after 3500 cal BP, with strong minerogenic input and lowered sea-level. An influx of silt and clay material that dominate the top half of the core marks Swartvlei's evolution into more lacustrine conditions and its separation from Groenvlei during the same period. A more humid climate is further inferred from organic proxies that indicate a greater in-wash of vascular vegetation during this period, as well as higher productivity from 3500 to 1400 cal BP. In addition, high biogenic silica concentrations indicate increased bio-productivity during the Little Ice Age (LIA) while increased sedimentation rates suggest that anthropogenic activity impacted the lake from 150 cal BP. This study adds insight to the geomorphic evolution of Swartvlei and highlights the usefulness of geochemical analyses in the elucidation of regional quaternary environmental and climatic changes.

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Chapter 1: Introduction

Palaeoenvironmental reconstructions are an essential tool to understand long-term environmental and climatic changes and are critical in southern Africa where existing records are scarce and future climate change rates are predicted to be high (Niang et al., 2014). Extrapolation of regional history of climate change becomes considerably more challenging when using only sparsely distributed or temporally incomplete palaeoclimate evidence. Lake sediments and the geochemical signatures that they preserve over time have proved to be incredibly useful in reconstructions of climate and environmental changes globally (Last and Smol, 2001), however, in South Africa's year-round rainfall zone (YRZ), such situations are less common (Haberzettl et al., 2014). Coastal lakes in the southern Cape, including Eilandvlei and Groenvlei, have nonetheless provided detailed Holocene environmental histories that span the last 8900 years, and have demonstrated their use in unravelling past climate dynamics in the region. Geochemical signatures in these sediments are important tools for identifying details about environmental changes and their implications (Dellwig et al., 1999). Palaeoecological proxies have, however, seemingly dominated such reconstructions, in particular those using pollen (e.g., Martin, 1968; Quick et al., 2015; Quick et al., 2018) and diatoms (e.g., Kirsten et al., 2018); proxies based on geochemistry have emerged only more recently with the general trend towards multi-proxy studies (e.g. Regional Archives Investigations (RAiN) project, Haberzettl et al., 2014; Wündsche et al., 2016; Wündsche et al., 2018). These studies have so far revealed drier conditions and greater marine influence from 8900-3000 cal BP and moister conditions thereafter when the coastal embayment evolved into freshwater lakes. The timing of marine transgressions and magnitude of associated regional sea-level rise require finer resolution; furthermore, major changes in the nature and amount of past riverine input remain largely unknown.

Swartvlei is the largest lake in the Wilderness embayment, although understanding of the processes that led to the development of the lake and the environmental changes that occurred in the Holocene remains very limited. Holocene environmental changes at Swartvlei Lake were pioneered initially by Watling (1977). This was followed by research on shallow cores (< 1m) by Birch et al. (1978) and Franz (2012). These investigations were on surface or near- surface samples in an attempt to define the source of several elemental contributions to the modern sediments and, as such, are temporally constrained. Whitfield et al. (2017) attempted a reconstruction of mid-Holocene developments at Swartvlei estuary with a focus on the interactions between the Swartvlei estuary and Groenvlei, which were shown to have been connected in the mid-Holocene. However, apart from being collected primarily at Groenvlei, the evidence on which

this reconstruction was based was of low resolution and the assumed timing of the enclosure of the Swartvlei estuary following the mid-Holocene regression was imprecise.

The present study analyses a 7 m long core from Swartvlei Lake using high-resolution multi-proxy geochemical analyses underpinned by a high resolution chronology from radiocarbon and OSL dating. Results are used to develop a more finely resolved picture of the evolution of the Swartvlei during the Holocene, and to compare the record with other sites to better understand changes in the broader southern Cape region. The study explores the influence of climate drivers on the YRZ as a whole, including Antarctic sea-ice extent, which is known to influence moisture in the southwestern Cape winter rainfall zone (WRZ), and also migrations of the Intertropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) that affect moisture in the summer-rainfall zone (SRZ) to the east. The unique positioning of Swartvlei which is situated at the confluence of large-scale atmospheric circulations such as the tropical easterly flow and the southern westerlies make it an ideal site for such investigations due to its sensitivity to changes in their strength and position, and to upwelling on the eastern Agulhas Bank (Cohen and Tyson, 1995; Chase and Meadows; 2007). The multi-proxy record from a longer sediment core at Swartvlei can help to shed light in this regard and to distinguish between local and regional palaeoenvironmental variations.

1.1. Aim

The primary aim of this study is to reconstruct Holocene palaeoenvironments of Swartvlei in the year-round-rainfall zone of South Africa, through sedimentological and geochemical analyses.

1.2. Objectives

- To establish the nature of environmental changes that have occurred in the Swartvlei, Wilderness Lakes region, during the Holocene and how these changes have been revealed through existing palaeoecological records.
- To reconstruct climatic and landscape changes that have occurred through a detailed analysis of the grain size and geochemical dynamics recorded within Swartvlei sediments.
- To compare information revealed by the analysis of the Swartvlei cores to other palaeoecological records in the Wilderness, and their relationship to major regional, Southern Hemisphere and global events over the same period.

1.3. Thesis outline

Chapter 2 contains a rationale of the study and suitability of the different proxies used. Chapter 3 sets the environmental context (climate, geology, biology, contemporary lake morphology) and a review of sources that have been used to establish the history of palaeoclimatic and palaeoenvironmental changes in the southern Cape during the Holocene. Details of the methods employed in the study are provided in Chapter 4. This is followed by the results chapter starting with the chronology, inclusive of an illustration of the relationships between the geochemical proxies. Chapter 6 provides interpretations of the results and a discussion on the palaeoenvironmental history using evidence from this study. It gives an overview of the palaeoclimatic changes inferred from the geochemical proxies, particle size data and organic matter accumulation in the lake, as well as the landscape modifications that were largely influenced by changes in sea-level and local dune morphology. Finally, Chapter 7 concludes the thesis with a palaeoenvironmental summary and an assessment of how well the objectives of the study have been met.

Chapter 2: Palaeoenvironmental indicators in lake sediments

2.1. Significance of palaeoenvironmental reconstructions in the Wilderness Lakes region

Swartvlei is located in the south coast of South Africa within Wilderness National Park which is now incorporated into the broader Garden Route National Park (GRNP) (Figure 1). One of the objectives of the park is to facilitate research on freshwater and estuarine systems in the region to support park management policy and practice (South African National Parks [SANParks], 2016). The GRNP is home to the country's largest indigenous forest and SANParks manages 67% of them on the southern coastline (SANParks, 2016). A large proportion of the species-rich fynbos biome is found on the southern Cape Coast and is regarded as a major component that makes up the Cape Floristic Region which represents an astonishing 3% percent of the world's plant species (Mucina and Rutherford, 2006). The fynbos is regarded as one of the most ecologically diverse and unique ecotones in the world and the establishment of various national parks have helped to protect the species. Critical loss of biodiversity has been reported due to various reasons such as human interference and climate change. Endemic invertebrates are also found in the area, for example, Swartvlei is also home to endangered Knysna Sea-Horse *Hippocampus capensis* which is listed as a threatened species on the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN). Various other species living in the area have drawn tourists, both locally and globally, to engage in recreational activities on the lake such as boating and fishing, with accommodation facilities available to guests. Questions around recreational carrying capacity of estuaries in the GRNP such as Knysna Estuary have been put forward in an effort to create responsible resource management (SANParks, 2016).

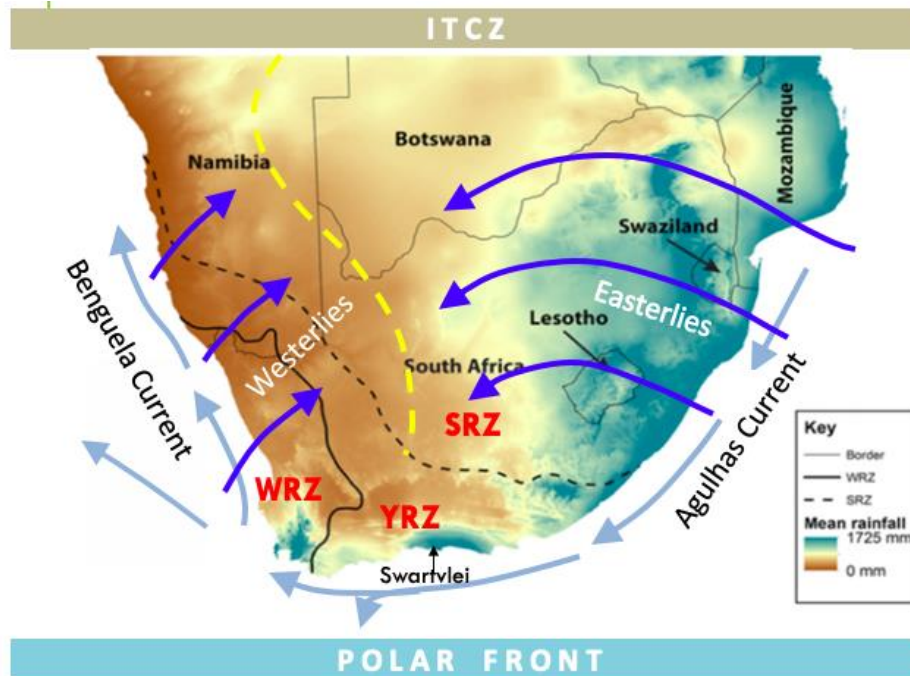


Figure 1: Regional map showing the location of Swartvlei within the year-round rainfall zone (YRZ) along with SRZ = summer rainfall zone, WRZ = winter rainfall zone (after Mills et al., 2012)

Extreme climate events of flooding in 1981, 2006 and 2007 had profound changes in Swartvlei's ecology due to higher temperatures and salinity changes resulting from the breached sand-bar that allowed greater entry of sea-water into the lake as the lake was open for longer than normal (Whitfield et al., 2010; Russell, 2015). The resulting high salinity led to a reduction in lake biota including a 99% reduction in submerged vegetation and a further reduction in the waterbird species that rely on them (Russell, 2015). Swartvlei's ecological health is dependent on both freshwater and marine inputs. Yet, rising population growth in the area exerts further stress on freshwater resources, implying reduced freshwater due to lower fluvial inputs at Swartvlei resulting from increased water abstraction in the catchment (Russell, 1999). Drought projections and increased sea-water intrusions will lead to Swartvlei becoming progressively saline in the future (SANParks, 2016). Palaeoenvironmental studies could also provide information about changes to biomass and lake productivity during periods of higher salinity as they have occurred in the past during marine transgressions, and this can help SANParks to anticipate and manage future ecological responses. Lake salinity changes can also occur through intrusion of sea-water into the lake facilitated by strengthening wind regime, as well as lower precipitation and higher evaporation.

Western Cape Province has been deemed vulnerable to climate change owing to challenges in socio-economic development, local governance and capacity of the ecosystems to adapt to rapid change

(Pascuini et al., 2013; Ziervogel et al., 2014). In addition to forecasting the nature of climatic changes that are anticipated, there is a need to understand how climate variability affects ecosystems and how ecosystems respond to the change. A wealth of information has been generated through studies on the ecology of lakes in the Wilderness area (e.g. Robarts, 1976; Coetzee, 1982; Kok and Whitfield, 1986; Whitfield, 1988). Particularly at Swartvlei Lake, most studies have focused on describing the ecology and investigating the ecosystem changes during flood events since the 1980's and impacts on the fish communities and emergent vegetation arising from artificial opening and closing of the sand bar. Other studies sought to describe physio-chemical differences between Swartvlei Lake and Swartvlei estuary (e.g. Russell, 2015) and how these are manifested during extreme weather events. These studies have helped, and continue to inform, management strategies for conservation in the GRNP. However, none of them have extended their temporal scale to cover the Holocene and, as such, very little is known about the palaeohydrology of Swartvlei. Climate is a long-term phenomenon, it is important to study these changes on a longer-term scale in order to provide a benchmark against which the nature of current and possible future environmental dynamics can be more fully appreciated. This study seeks to deepen knowledge about the freshwater, estuarine and marine influences at Swartvlei as they have occurred in the past. This information helps to explain and distinguish certain changes in the lake that have occurred as a result of natural variations compared with those caused, or exacerbated, by anthropogenic activity. Assessing the scale of the natural contribution of these changes and the extent of human influence is fundamental to successful management strategies that will prioritise conservation and access to these water resources.

2.2. Lake sediments as archives for environmental change

Over time, signals of environmental changes, both natural and anthropogenic, may become preserved in lacustrine sediments. Although human impact has, to an extent, accelerated the cycling of some geochemical elements (Wolin and Duthie, 1999; Ma et al., 2016), such as through the introduction of chemicals for agriculture and release of others through mining, natural processes are still often involved in the transportation of geochemical elements from sources and processes to where they are captured in lakes (Braun et al., 2013). Closed lakes have been used extensively for palaeoenvironmental reconstruction of the Quaternary due to their ability to capture and preserve multi-proxy data from freshwater, marine and aeolian signals (Sayer et al., 2010). In South Africa, sediments preserved within the southern cape help with understanding palaeoenvironments that prevailed at archaeological sites that were previously occupied by our ancestors and how they related to climate change, water availability and changing landscapes (Cawthra et al., 2014). In addition, the Wilderness lakes have good preservation of

fluctuations in marine influence (Martin, 1968), and these can be used to reconstruct rhythms of marine transgressions and regressions, as well as the response of the terrestrial environment to these. Furthermore, the examination of sources and sinks of organic matter distribution in coastal lake sediments is key to understanding regional and global biogeochemistry cycles.

Lake sediments may capture evidence of intra-basin variation and environmental changes on their surrounding catchments over long periods of time (Foster and Walling, 1994), allowing them to serve as rich archives for palaeoenvironmental reconstruction. Various proxies preserved in lake sediments can provide analogues for understanding past, present and future environmental change. Multiproxy studies focus on different aspects of the sediments such as biological (e.g. diatoms, pollen, ostracoda), chemical (e.g. elemental, isotopic), physical (e.g. density, magnetic susceptibility, particle size) and offer greater prospects for discerning regional climatic and environmental signals. Multiple proxies employed to reconstruct climatic and landscape changes that have occurred at Swartvlei in the Wilderness region and these are discussed below.

2.3. Overview of multiproxy studies on lake sediments

2.3.1. Physical proxies

Granulometric analysis can provide information about sediment origin, transportation and deposition and reveal the environmental processes that may have morphed the sediments over a given period of time. Particle size is an important proxy to understand sediment provenance and to interpret changes in the dominant transport mechanism that delivered sediments into the lake (Clift et al., 2014; Schillereff et al., 2014). Specifically, the depositional environment, weathering and transportation mechanism can be reconstructed using grain size because aeolian and fluvial systems are known to transport grains within in a particular size range (Lewin, 1978). Furthermore, small grained particles would be expected during calm climate conditions while coarse sediments are indicative of turbulent depositional conditions such as floods, snow-melt and storm surges (Schillereff et al., 2014). It is important to know the underlying geology of a site in order to locate origins of the sediments found in the record as some of the particles may have been derived from direct weathering of the surrounding bedrock and still others from further afield in the catchment. Laser diffraction is the preferred method for granulometric analysis because it

offers rapid, affordable and reliable analysis of small samples (<50 mg) (Beuselinck et al., 1998; Pye & Blott, 2004).

Sediment water content and bulk density are useful proxies to classify sediments in terms of their environment of deposition. Sediment density and compaction are highly dependent on primary textural properties such as particle size and shape (Last and Smol, 2001). The relationship between water content, organic matter and sediment density is explored by Avnimelech et al. (2001) who explain that fine organic-rich sediments tend to possess low density (1.25 g.cm^{-3} ; Boyd, 2012) and high water content. The latter occurs in part due to its role in facilitating bioproductivity such as the gaseous exchanges for photosynthesis and respiration, where water acts as a medium for the exchanges. A 1% addition of hydrated organic matter can increase the sediment volume and thus lower the density (Avnimelech et al., 2001). Coarse sediments on the other hand are often compacted and feature high density values as they are deposited in high energy environments that are unfavourable to bioproductivity. According to Klute and Dinauer (1986), density values for inorganic sediments typically lie between 2.6 and 2.7 g.cm^{-3}

The concentration of magnetizable minerals found in lake sediments are produced and transported by different environmental processes that operate in response to changes in climate and limnology (Last and Smol, 2001). Magnetic susceptibility (MS) is a measurement of magnetizability of sediment components in response to an external magnetic field applied to the sediment core (Thompson et al., 1975). MS is measured by inducing a magnetic signal onto the sediment surface using a probe and measuring the returned signal. Sections of a core with highly magnetizable material will produce a strong signal, and typically contain ferrimagnetic minerals that are easily magnetised, while organic matter with high water content has a diamagnetic effect (Dearing, 1999). Interpretation of MS data assumes that detrital magnetic assemblages have not been altered or undergone authigenesis post-deposition (Snowball and Sandgren, 2001). MS measurements have been used in many palaeolimnology studies and have helped to locate periods of increased minerogenic input and long periods of organic matter deposition.

2.3.2. Inorganic geochemical proxies

Element assemblages in sedimentary records are key indicators of palaeoenvironmental conditions because their presence, reduction/oxidation statuses and quantitative ratios are indicative of specific environmental conditions that prevailed at the time of their deposition or thereafter (Ma et al., 2016). Climate is one of the factors that influences weathering and erosional processes, thus, the origin of

elements and the nature of weathering they undergo can be indicative of certain climate conditions such as increased moisture, aridity or windier conditions. Inorganic geochemical palaeolimnology uses analytical tools such to quantify elemental compositions and use those to infer variation in the environment (Dellwig et al., 1999). These quantities are commonly ascertained through X-ray fluorescence (XRF) and inductively coupled plasma atomic emission spectroscopy (ICP-OES) on sediment cores, and the illustrated relationships between the elements are used to reconstruct environmental change. XRF measures the downcore intensities of each element while ICP-OES gives absolute quantities of the elements in the core. It is useful to compare the geochemical variations with a conservative element such as Al which is less susceptible to diagenic effects (Löwemark et al., 2011), thus leading to the use of elemental ratios. For example, depending on the catchment rock composition, Ti/Al and Fe/Al ratios are often associated with silicates, thus temporal changes in their abundance can serve as proxy for minerogenic input into the lake (Kylander et al., 2011).

2.3.3. Organic proxies

Organic matter preserved in lake sediments contains indicators of intra and extra basin palaeoproductivity and can be a helpful proxy for climate reconstruction (Meyers, 1997). Temporal changes in the deposition and extent of terrestrial organic matter can give information about hydrological pathways. In addition, determinations of the amounts and origins of sediment organic matter (elemental and isotopic) are an important tool to understand ecosystem changes as a result of natural and anthropogenic changes to the landscape. Organic matter measurements such as total organic carbon (TOC) are an important tool used to measure the amount of organic matter in sediments (Meyers et al., 1999). Other elemental proxies linked with organic matter include elements that are essential for productivity such as Phosphorus (P) and Nitrogen (N), and those released by organic matter upon decomposition such as Sulphur (S) (Stevenson et al., 1999). Ratios between TOC and these elements can provide information about other aspects of environmental changes around the lake e.g. TOC/TN ratios can help to distinguish between aquatic production and terrestrial vascular plant addition to the lake sediments (Meyers, 2003), from which we can infer palaeohydrological changes in the catchment area. TOC can also be linked with other physical proxies such as particle size, as illustrated by Thompson and Eglinton (1978) who found an abundance of organic matter in core sections with small grain sizes. Biogenic silica content is another common proxy for lake productivity as it indicated the dominance of siliceous microfossils such as diatoms (Batterbee et al.,

2002), sponges (Conley and Schelske al., 2002; Conley and Schelske, 1993) and phytoliths (McCarty and Schwandes, 1998)

Chapter 3: Literature Review

3.1. Study site description

3.1.1. Modern regional climate

According to the Köppen climate classification system, the Wilderness is defined as Cfb – wet year-round with long and cool summers (Schulze et al., 1947). The rainfall is influenced by polar westerlies and subtropical easterlies (Tyson and Preston-Whyte, 2000) and averages 800 to 1 000 mm yr⁻¹ throughout the year (Russell et al., 2012). Another source of moisture and humidity for the area is the Agulhas current which occurs at the convergence of the Indian and Atlantic Ocean and brings maritime moisture over the area which influences the temperature regime (Scott and Lee-Thorp, 2004; Cohen and Tyson, 1995). Figure 3 shows a photograph of Swartvlei Lake in relation to the Indian Ocean and estuary. The Outeniqua mountains (1 500 m above mean sea-level) introduce orographic rain to the area (Parsons, 2014), as well as fog and humidity (Martin, 1968). Furthermore, the Cape Fold Belt prevents advection of moisture towards the north (Martin, 1968). The wind regime is dominated by south-westerly winds which blow throughout the year. Slight seasonal changes in wind occur, whereby south to southeasterly winds blow inland, and north to northwesterly winds off-shore (Deacon and Lancaster, 1988). Temperature varies seasonally, with an average minimum of 15 °C and a maximum of 25 °C in summer and between 7-19 °C in winter (Whitfield et al., 1983).

3.1.2. Contemporary Swartvlei

Swartvlei is the largest coastal lake located on the eastern part of the Wilderness Embayment, 32 km from the town of George (Figure 1). The lake has a surface area of 8.8 km² and is connected to the sea via a 7.2 km long shallow estuary channel, which has an average depth of 4 m (Whitfield et al., 1983). Lake depth varies: the outer edges are about 2 m deep, while a littoral shelf in the centre reaches depths of about 12 m (Whitfield et al., 1983). More recently, Clausnitzer (2011) found the maximum depth of Swartvlei to be 15.5 m using evidence from seismic investigations. Freshwater inputs are sourced from three rivers namely; Wolwe, Hoekraal and Karatara. Additional sources of freshwater are direct rainfall and groundwater (Martin, 1962). The lake also experiences salinity fluctuations due to periodic sea-water inflow (Kok and Whitfield, 1986). Swartvlei is a meromictic lake i.e., experiences a vertical stratification

with layers of varying densities, where salinity values of the surface waters can be between 1-12 ‰, while the bottom waters could contain 20 ‰ (Whitfield et al., 1983). The propagation of sea-water into the lake is influenced by onshore winds, while south-westerly winds assist with the movement of littoral sand, often leading to the formation of a sandbar that closes off the river mouth (Martin, 1962; James and Harrison, 2008). Littoral sand movement occasionally blocks the estuary mouth, which opens and closes naturally, but artificial breaching has been undertaken to prevent flooding to the low-lying urban areas (Russell, 2015). The Wolwe River is responsible for much of the fine sediment deposited into the lake that forms soft mud on the lake basin at a depth of 12 m (Whitfield et al., 1983), surrounded by quartzitic sand deposits on the lake margins (Birch et al., 1978). The high levels of leached organic matter and humic acids from the Karatara River brings forth distinctively black coloured waters (Figure 3), after which the lake is named. The inflow from the Karatara introduces acidic waters with pH ranging between 4 and 5 (Whitfield et al., 1983).

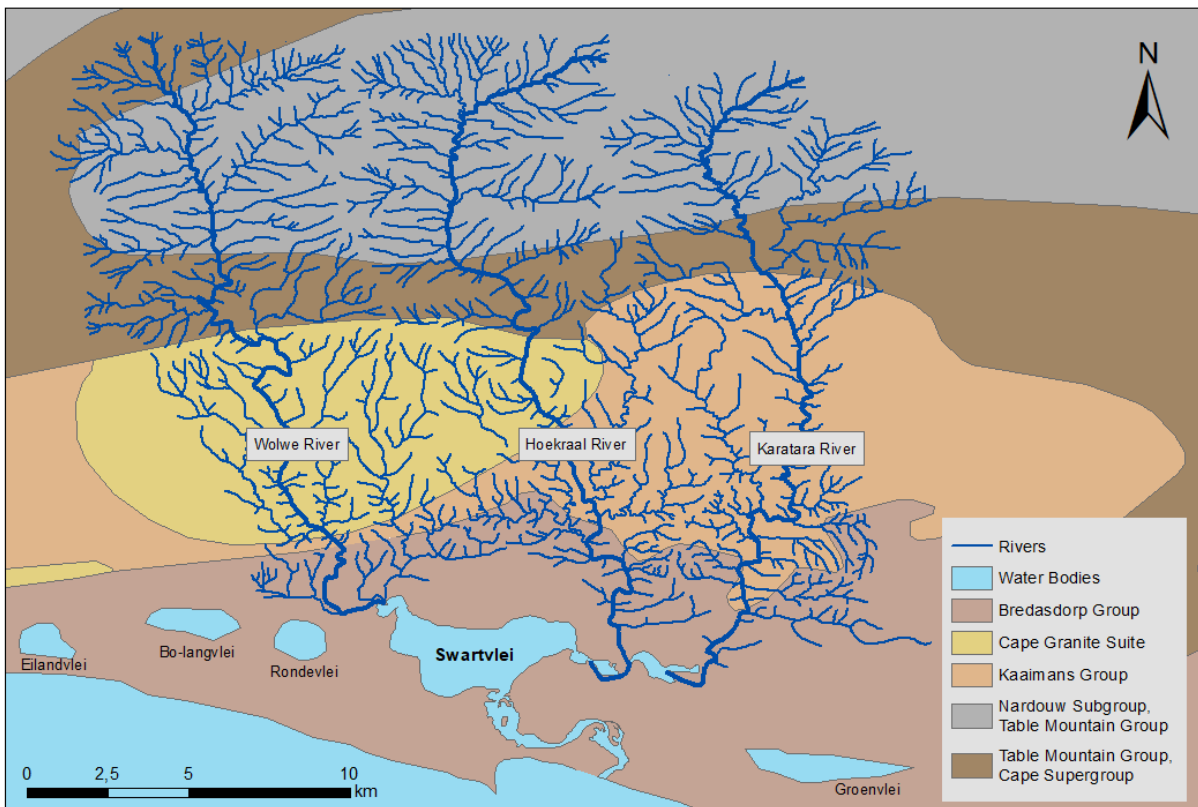


Figure 2: Map showing Table Mountain Sandstones and Granite as rocks underlying the Swartvlei river catchments (Map: Alexander Sokolovs)

These slightly acidic and saline water conditions give rise to the diverse species that thrive in and around the Swartvlei system. Howard-Williams and Allanson (1979) described the primary producers within

Swartvlei to consist mainly of planktonic algae that occupy the pelagic zone, while the littoral shelf is largely covered in *Potamogeton*, and *Cladophora* and *Cocconeis* algae to a lesser extent. Terrestrial vegetation composed of typical sand dune vegetation occupies the lake periphery: perennial *Ehrharta* grasses, *Rhus* shrubs, and pockets of indigenous fynbos (Whitfield et al., 1983). There are also large *Pinus* plantations on the outskirts of Swartvlei that have invaded a majority of the indigenous vegetation. The lake also hosts a diverse community of invertebrates due to the combination of freshwater from the rivers feeding the lake and the estuarine water that enters the lake from the estuary mouth. Davies (1982) identified up to 33 fish species dominated by *Monodaotylus faloiformis* and *Rhabdosagus holubi* as well as bivalves, Ostracoda and crabs.



Figure 3: Photograph showing modern day Swartvlei lake, the estuary and vegetated sand dunes parallel to the ocean (Photo: Dominique de la Croix)

3.1.3. Geology

The Wilderness Embayment is of Tertiary age, cut into late Pre-Cambrian granite rocks that can be found on the north-western edge of Swartvlei, underlying the Wolwe River Catchment (Illenberger, 1996) (Figure

2). The Hoekraal and Karatara catchments lie on the exposed sandstones of the Kaaiman's group adjacent to the Wolwe River catchment (Figure 2). The Kaaiman's group is underlain by the Table Mountain Supergroup, composed of highly resilient sandstones which form the Cape Fold Belt, positioned further inland. These high-relief mountains have Ordovician orogeny and underwent intense folding about 180 Ma during the break-up of Gondwana land (de Wit and Ransome, 1992; Compton, 2004). The three major river channels feeding Swartvlei originate at the base of the folded mountains on the southern margin of the Outeniqua Mountain Range. Closer to the coast, the Wilderness embayment is covered in quaternary sands with prominent sand ridges (aeolianites) that lie parallel to the beach (Martin, 1962; Marker & Holmes, 2005; Holmes et al., 2007). Illenberger (1996) described three major dune cordons in the Wilderness Embayment namely; sea-ward, middle and landward cordons. Swartvlei is situated between the sea-ward and the middle cordon, with the seaward cordon stretching between 75 - 180 m above sea level on the south west region of Swartvlei (Bateman et al., 2004; Cawthra et al., 2014). Eastward longshore drift along the south coast is as a major source of sediment supply for the Wilderness Embayment, sustaining the dunes (Birch, 1980). The dunes are at least 128 000 years old and were constructed during multiple sea-level high-stands, covered in unconsolidated Holocene deposits at the surface (Bateman et al., 2004).

3.1.4. Existing knowledge about lake genesis

Swartvlei lies within a deeply incised valley formed during sea-level regressions during Marine Isotope Stage (MIS) 6 and MIS 4 (Cawthra et al., 2014), subsequently filled in by windblown sands from the exposed continental shelf bearing large dune fields as well as those from wave-cutting of the surrounding dunes (Martin, 1962; Birch and du Plessis, 1977). South-flowing rivers, currently feeding Swartvlei, cut through the valley and flowed directly into the sea some 100 km further from the current shoreline during the Last Glacial Maximum due to significantly lower sea level (~120m below mean sea level) (Bateman et al., 2011; Cawthra et al., 2014). During the current interglacial, the proto-Swartvlei valley was drowned by the rising sea water (Birch and du Plessis, 1977). Sea-level is estimated to have been 2.5 m above present level at 6000 BP and regressed at around 4000 BP (Martin, 1962). During the marine transgression at 6000 BP, the estuary mouth would have been 2 km wide, creating an open inlet *sans* sand bar (Whitfield et al., 1983). Furthermore, a palaeochannel is believed to have once connected Swartvlei and Groenvlei but was separated in the mid- to late Holocene when sand movement filled in the channel (Martin, 1962; Kirsten, 2008). Low topographic gradient of the embayment and the prominent aeolianite dune deposits

led to the damming of water evident in the modern-day series of lakes in the Wilderness including Swartvlei (Bateman et al., 2011).

3.2. Holocene environmental changes

There has been significant effort to investigate palaeoenvironments of the southern Cape during the Holocene using evidence from different localities. The sites vary from caves such as the Cango Caves (Talma and Vogel, 1992), Boomplaas (Thackeray and Avery, 1990), Seweweekspoort (Chase et al., 2013) and Nelson Bay Cave (Cohen, 1993; Cohen and Tyson, 1995), to coastal lakes Groenvlei (Martin, 1968; Wündsche et al., 2016) and Eilandvlei (Kirsten et al., 2018; Quick et al., 2018; Wündsche et al., 2018) as well as peat deposits from Norga (Scholtz, 1986). Palaeoclimatic reconstructions of the early Holocene in the southern Cape are sourced from a variety of sources including pollen, diatoms, rock hyrax middens, marine molluscs and stalagmite records. While the studies reach consensus about the regional driving forces of moisture and temperature, there are several inconsistencies, mostly relating to temporal control in the earlier studies and in the timing of marine transgressions. Although the studies are based in the YRZ references are made to studies in the winter-rainfall zone (WRZ) and summer rainfall zone (SRZ) relating to differences in the moisture sources.

3.2.1. Palaeoclimate reconstructions: patterns of moisture availability and temperature fluctuations

3.2.1.1. Early Holocene

The Holocene epoch covers the last 11 500 cal BP and has undergone significant climate fluctuations globally (Mayewski et al., 2004). Generally, this period represented a transition from cool conditions in the late Pleistocene to warm Holocene conditions (Scott et al., 1995). The transition from cooler to warmer temperatures was not gradual - it contained some oscillations, but most records covering this period are poorly dated and are not detailed enough to depict short-term changes and oscillations. Nonetheless, micro-mammalian fossils at Boomplaas Cave showed accelerated temperature increases recorded around 11500 BP by Avery (1982). Afterwards, between 10100 and 8900 BP, microfaunal, pollen and charcoal evidence from Boomplaas Cave revealed that a cooler episode prevailed before the Holocene, possibly associated with the Younger Dryas (Partridge et al., 1990). During early Holocene, the influence of westerlies weakened while the tropical systems strengthened their influence of SRZ moisture

(Chase et al., 2017), and possibly led to more humid conditions on the eastern part of the YRZ. Humphries et al. (2017) agreed with an observation that early Holocene warming and humidity was driven by strengthening of the tropical easterly flow.

Quick et al. (2018) concluded that the early Holocene was cool and arid, based on examination of pollen data that revealed the dominance of drought-resistant fynbos taxa in the Eilandvlei sediment record. This is supported by earlier findings, whereby Quick et al. (2015) noted significant changes in measured geochemical, palynological (pollen), and microscopic charcoal proxies from a sediment record at Still Bay in the period after 9 000 cal BP (between 9000-6000 cal BP) which are interpreted as a period of slight aridity at Still Bay. The same study however showed high productivity and moisture in the Rietvlei wetland based on organic geochemical proxies (TOC) (Quick et al., 2015). These contradicting interpretations in moisture denote the early Holocene as either a transitional period in the southern Cape, or a period when the environment responded to different moisture bearing systems with distinct spatial differences.

3.2.2.2. Mid-Holocene

The transition from early Holocene to late Holocene is interpreted differently in relation to temperature and moisture conditions depending on site locality. For example, Quick et al. (2018) find decreased humidity at Eilandvlei between 8900 and 5700 cal BP, while Chase et al. (2013) found increasing humidity at Seweweekpoort around the same time. The period between 7000 and 5000 cal BP was found to be associated with relatively arid conditions based on the isotope geochemistry of hyrax middens at Seweweekpoort (Chase et al., 2013), driven by a reduction in the influence of westerlies on moisture provision for the area. There is agreement between records from Seweweekpoort and Cango Cave palaeotemperature reconstructions suggesting that warmer periods occurred in the southern Cape between 7800 to 7300 cal BP and 6800 to 5500 cal BP. Martin (1968) suggested warmer conditions in the palynological recorded at Groenvlei around 7800 cal BP, although this interpretation may be obscured by increased dune activity in the area and marine influence from a higher sea-level. Faunal assemblages at Boomplaas also exhibited concordance with these higher temperatures as it reveals the mid-Holocene altithermal between 7000 and 4500 BP to have been warmer than the prior period (Thackeray and Avery, 1990). Studies by Meadows et al. (1996) and Parkington (2000) suggested that the Holocene altithermal (4000–8000 BP) was very dry in the WRZ as indicated by increases in xeric taxa and Elands Bay, and this is supported by increased aeolian activity due to strong wind stress recorded in coversands studied by Chase and Thomas (2007) on the west coast.

During this time, the SRZ also experienced warmer and more humid conditions from 6500 to 5200 BP based on ^{18}O and ^{13}C isotopes from Cold Air Cave, driven by reduced Antarctic circumpolar circulation (Lee-Thorp et al., 2001). Talma and Vogel (1992) gave a more complete record of mid-Holocene temperature reconstruction which identified two periods that were cooler than present i.e. 4700 to 4200 BP and 3200 to 2500 BP, intercepted by a slightly warm phase. Quick et al. (2015) found the mid-Holocene to be drier and warmer based on significantly low productivity (inferred from reduced organic matter preservation) in the period between 7 000 and 5000 cal BP.

A humid phase is observed in the period 7800 – 4700 cal BP when Eilandvlei captured steep increases in afrotemperate forest taxa (Quick et al., 2018). Between 6000 and 4000 cal BP evidence from Mfabeni swamp on the east coast (Humphries et al., 2017) suggests greater aridity. Although there is spatial variation in the sea-surface temperature (SST) along southern Cape, low amplitude variations in the annual SST observed by Loftus et al. (2017) suggested increased upwelling occurred in the mid-Holocene linked with higher precipitation in the SRZ. Humid conditions prevailed at Seweweekspoort between 5000 and 3000 cal BP (Chase et al., 2013), furthermore, rainfall in the YRZ evolved to a more aseasonal system during the same period (Chase and Meadows, 2007).

During the period between 4500 and 3000 BP, temperature was in a band of variation between +1 °C and -2 °C compared to modern temperatures (Talma and Vogel, 1992). Talma and Vogel (1992) found that the southern Cape had rainfall seasonality that shifted more towards the WRZ pattern instead of the modern-day all-season rainfall, an interpretation based on carbon isotope values that captured predominant vegetation cover in the landscape surrounding the cave. While older phases of increased dune activity coincided were associated with humid conditions driven by glacial phases in the Vostok ice record, the aridity could not be explained using the available data. Moreover, geomorphological activity in the region supported an arid climate in the WRZ observed in reworked aeolian deposits between 4 400 and 5 800 cal BP (Chase and Thomas, 2007).

Cohen and Tyson (1995) evaluated oxygen isotope composition in marine mollusc shells from Nelson Bay Cave to reconstruct Holocene sea surface temperatures and found higher temperatures than in the period between 6800 and 5400 cal BP. This finding countered the suggestion of low SST's on the Agulhas Bank from 6650 to 5500 cal yr B.P in an earlier study from the same site (Cohen, 1993). The model presented by Cohen and Tyson (1995) suggested that periods with low SST on the Agulhas Bank were coupled with

wet conditions in the interior. Similarly, on the east coast, Loftus et al. (2017) concluded that increased upwelling during the mid-Holocene occurred alongside increased precipitation in the SRZ. Support for this finding comes from plant macrofossils examined by Gabriel et al. (2017) from coastal peatlands in Kwa-Zulu Natal at the heart of South Africa's SRZ showed increase in humidity at about 6 260 cal BP

3.2.3.3. Late Holocene

The transition to the late Holocene seems in general to have featured warmer climatic conditions in the YRZ with slightly more humidity. Between 4000 and 2500 BP, organic sediments preserved at Norga reveal forest spreading that occurred due to greater moisture availability facilitated by higher summer rainfall in the YRZ (Scholtz, 1986). $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ records from Seweweekspoort also indicate a trend to significantly moister and warmer conditions in the late Holocene compared to the early Holocene, starting from 3500 cal BP (Chase et al., 2013). A study of Groenvlei sediments by Wündsche et al. (2016a) found that the period from 4200 to 2700 cal BP was characterised by conditions that were drier than the whole late Holocene period. Phases around 3500 and 2500 cal BP featured maximum summer SSTs that were perhaps 1°C lower than today (Cohen and Tyson, 1995). Reduction in summer rainfall led to a drier environment that was not conducive to the preservation of *Podocarpus* forest elements between 2600 and 1300 BP (Scholtz 1986). Deacon and Lancaster (1988) also found dry conditions at Norga peat, specifically from 2800 to 1600 BP. Following this, a peak in abundance of C4 grasses was observed at Cango Cave stalagmite record, indicative of warm tropical conditions at 2100 cal BP (Talma and Vogel, 1992).

The last 2000 cal BP was characterised by generally wet and warm conditions with two notable phases that globally have been recorded as being associated with strong climate contrasts, viz. the Medieval Climate Anomaly (MCA) and the Little Ice Age (LIA). According to Lüning et al. (2018), the MCA occurred between 950 cal BP and 750 cal BP and, during this period, southern Africa became wetter, with the exception of the WRZ. SRZ experienced wetter conditions due to intensification of the easterlies, while drier conditions in the WRZ occurred due to a reduction in the Atlantic westerlies (Hahn et al., 2016; Hahn et al., 2017). Climate variability in the late Holocene from 2000 cal BP is associated with the ENSO which brings warm and drier conditions to the SRZ (Zhang et al., 2015; Humphries et al., 2017), however the impact of the ENSO is mostly experienced on the northeastern parts of the country and does not affect YRZ moisture significantly (Mulenga et al., 2003). It appears that the WRZ precipitation benefited from the intensified easterlies as studies indicate wetter conditions during the MCA. Warmer climate conditions reappeared at Norga Peat between 1300 and 850 cal BP as seen in the increase in pollen evidence of more

mesic vegetation (Scholtz, 1986) and in the stalagmite record at Cango Cave (Talma and Vogel, 1992). Cohen and Tyson (1995) and Holmgren (1999) also showed evidence for warmer and wetter conditions during the MCA in southern Africa. Furthermore, it was more humid than present at Groenvlei from 1200 cal BP until today (Martin 1968; Wüdsch et al., 2016). Quick et al. (2018) lends support to this, citing that at Eilandvlei, current coastal thicket and afrotemperate forest system evolved in the last 900 cal BP (Quick et al., 2018). Further support for a warmer climate occurs offshore, where Hahn et al. (2017) indicated low SST's during the MCA from core GeOB 18308 on the Agulhas Bank which occurred due to the southerly shift of the South Indian Ocean anticyclone (SIA) which resulted in increased upwelling and warm onshore conditions.

The recent Groenvlei record also indicated that the LIA was cooler than present (610 to 140 cal BP) (Wüdsch et al., 2018). Evidence of this lies in the mean annual temperatures that were 1-2 °C lower than today during the LIA as shown through the 18O record from Cango Caves (Talma and Vogel, 1992). In the WRZ, at Voelvlei and Buffeljacht, Carr et al. (2006) noted lunette formation at 700 and 450 cal BP, suggesting drier conditions during the LIA.: drier palaeoclimate conditions during the LIA were influenced by the reduction in precipitation from tropical moisture bearing systems as well as a reduction in the landward moving rainfall systems that source moisture from the Agulhas (Carr et al., 2006).

3.3. Sea-level variation and landscape modifications

3.3.1. Marine influence, freshwater inflows, changes in lake morphology

Palaeoenvironmental reconstruction of onshore environments remains difficult to establish due to the lack of well preserved fluvial and lake records that got removed through frequent strandline migration prior to the Holocene (Compton, 2001). Quaternary sea-level changes in southern Africa have been composed through studies using dated beach rocks, lagoonal sediments and wave-cut platforms (Miller et al, 1995; Ramsay, 1995; Compton, 2006). Recent studies have demonstrated the use of ecological proxies such as marine diatoms (Kirsten et al., 2018) and intertidal foraminifera (Strachan et al., 2014) to reconstruct sea-level changes in coastal lakes. Two regional sea-level curves are available: one on the east coast by Ramsay (1995) (Figure 4 a) supplemented by Strachan et al. (2014) (Figure 4 b) and another by Compton (2006) for the west coast. The south coast is yet to have a comprehensive sea-level reconstruction curve.

The Agulhas Bank is an extensive continental shelf on the southernmost margin of the African continent. A significant portion of the Agulhas Bank was submerged by the increasing sea-level at the onset of the current interglacial, and during periods of marine transgression during the Holocene (Compton, 2001). Tectonic activity is thought to have played a minor role in sea-level variation due to the low amplitude of tectonic uplift/subsidence in southern Africa during the quaternary (Compton and Wiltshire, 2009) and negligible vertical crustal motion (Fisher et al., 2010). Instead, the inland barrier dunes would have influenced local sea-level (Cawthra et al., 2014). Prior to the Holocene, global sea-level had been the lowest during the last glacial maximum at 18 000 cal BP (Fairbanks, 1989; Ramsay and Cooper, 2002). Evidence from offshore palaeodunes on the Agulhas Bank suggested that sea-level was -100 m below present sea level during this period (Bateman et al., 2011; Cawthra et al., 2016). Post LGM climate amelioration led to warmer global temperatures and a rapid process of deglaciation that led to sea-level rise. According to Ramsay (1995), sea-level rise in South Africa between 9000 and 8000 BP was in the range of 8 mm yr⁻¹. Cawthra et al. (2014) conducted a detailed seismic survey at Swartvlei and discovered a submerged Pleistocene aeolianite, and eroded substrates of the aeolianite found at the centre of modern-day Swartvlei that were probably reworked and deposited during the accelerated sea-level rise. Following this, a deceleration in sea-level occurred, and was the primary driver behind the formation of many coastal lakes and lagoons around South Africa. Low topographic gradient of the Wilderness Embayment and the prominent aeolianite dune deposits led to damming of water evident in the modern-day series of lakes in the Wilderness including Swartvlei (Bateman et al., 2011).

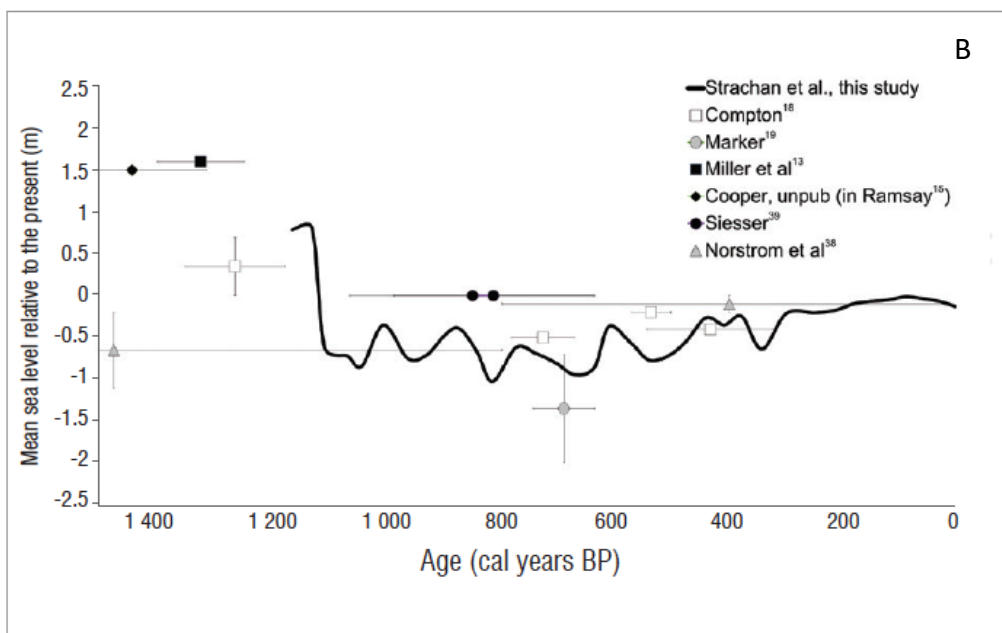
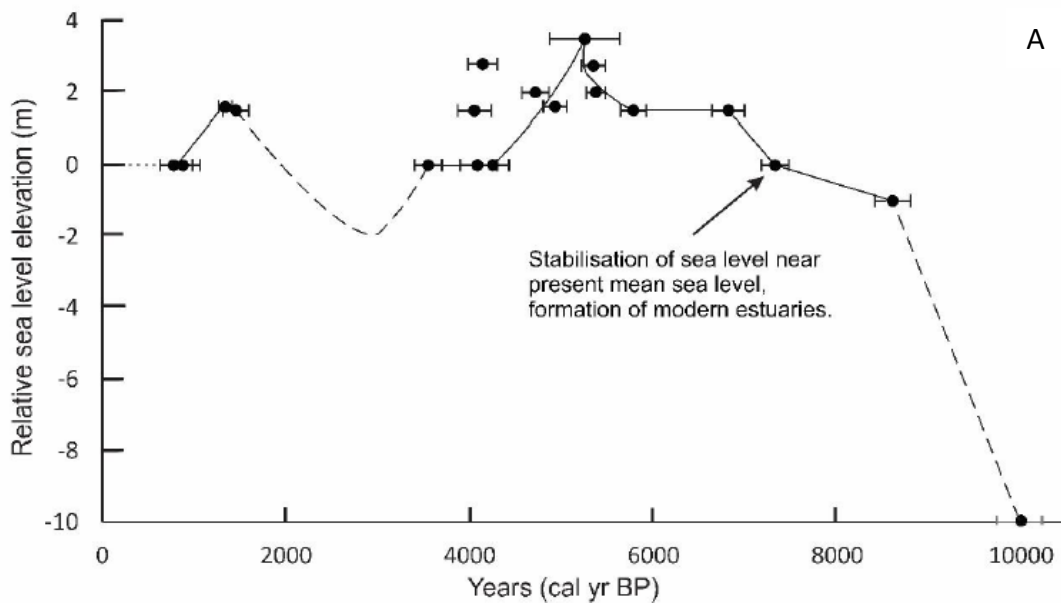


Figure 4: a) Holocene sea-level Fluctuations in sea level on the east coast of South Africa (Ramsay, 1995). Age calibration used Southern Hemisphere atmospheric curve SHCal13 (Adapted from Higgs (2017)) b) Late Holocene east coast sea-level curve from Strachan et al. (2014)

Following formation of the estuaries, sea-level continued to vary during the Holocene. Many studies have recorded a marine transgression during the Holocene, although, uncertainties remain in respect of the timing, elevation and extent thereof. For the west coast, Baxter and Meadows (1999) have suggested that the mid-Holocene Highstand at 6000 BP was 1.5 m to 3m higher than present day mean sea-level. Baxter

and Meadows (1999) also noted a brief marine regression period around 7000 cal BP where sea level regressed by 3-4 m. Scott and Lee-Thorp (2004) found the mid-Holocene highstand to have exceeded 2 m above present sea-level, terminating at 5600 BP. The Eilandvlei system was markedly impacted by the strong marine influence between 8900 and 4700 cal BP (Wüdsch et al., 2018; Kirsten et al., 2018). Sea-levels then receded after the mid-Holocene (Carr et al., 2015). When the sea regressed after the mid-Holocene, a low energy environment prevailed, facilitated by sediment accretion on the dunes surrounding Swartvlei which constricted the estuary mouth (Cawthra et al., 2014). A sea-level lowstand then occurred in the southern Cape between 3700 and 2300 cal BP as inferred from the dominance of saltmarsh vegetation at Eilandvlei (Quick et al., 2018). Following this, Ramsay (1995) proposed that sea-level returned to present day levels and subsequently rose by 1.5 m at around 1600 cal BP. Furthermore, according to evidence from a beach rock studied by Marker (1997), relative sea-level nearby Knysna Estuary was as high as 0.7 to 2 m above present sea-level at 1250 cal BP. Baxter and Meadows (1999) noted the brief increase in sea-level earlier, at around 1400 cal BP on the West coast. It appears however, that any rise in sea-level after 3000 cal BP was not recorded in the Wilderness Lakes Eilandvlei and Groenvlei, probably due to the elevated sand dunes that developed and separated the lakes from the ocean after 3500 cal BP due to increased aeolian activity (Bateman et al., 2011; Whitfield et al., 2017). Abundance of freshwater diatoms at Eilandvlei between 1800 and 1400 cal BP indicated that the system developed into a coastal lake with progressively less sea-water entry, making it less likely for a later marine incursion to reach the lake (Kirsten et al., 2018).

Chapter 4: Methods

The chapter begins by describing the fieldwork methods that were employed in coring the lake to collect sediments. This is followed by a description of the post-coring laboratory procedures beginning with the dating methods followed. Finally, statistical tools used to analyse the sediment profile based on XRF and grain size results are presented.

4.1. Fieldwork methods

Site Selection and Coring Procedure

Hydro-acoustic investigations were conducted on the Wilderness lakes in 2010 using a parametric echo sounder (Innomar SES 96 light, frequency: 96 and 105kHz) (Clausnitzer, 2011) in order to find, in particular, regions of high sediment accumulation. These investigations identified long, continuous and undisturbed sediment sequences and indicated preferred coring locations in Swartvlei (Figure 5). Subsequently, in 2013, a field campaign was undertaken on multiple lakes in the Wilderness region including Swartvlei. The campaign yielded several cores from the preferred locations (SV 13) and a high rate of sediment retrieval was achieved. A UWITEC piston coring device (www.uwitec.at/html/pistoncorer) was used to collect three parallel sediment cores:

SV13-1V, SV13-6 and SV13-7 were extracted at a water depth of 9 m located in the mid-eastern section of the lake, covering 700 cm depth. Locations of the cores are found in Figure 5 below. The three sediment cores were combined into one continuous composite profile through the correlation of distinct macroscopic layers. With the exception of a 40 cm core loss at the base of SV 13-6 (4-6), all of the sediments remained in the PVC tubing once retrieved; following shipment to Germany, the cores have been stored in the dark at 4 °C in the cold storage room at the Physical Geography department of the Friedrich-Schiller-University Jena.

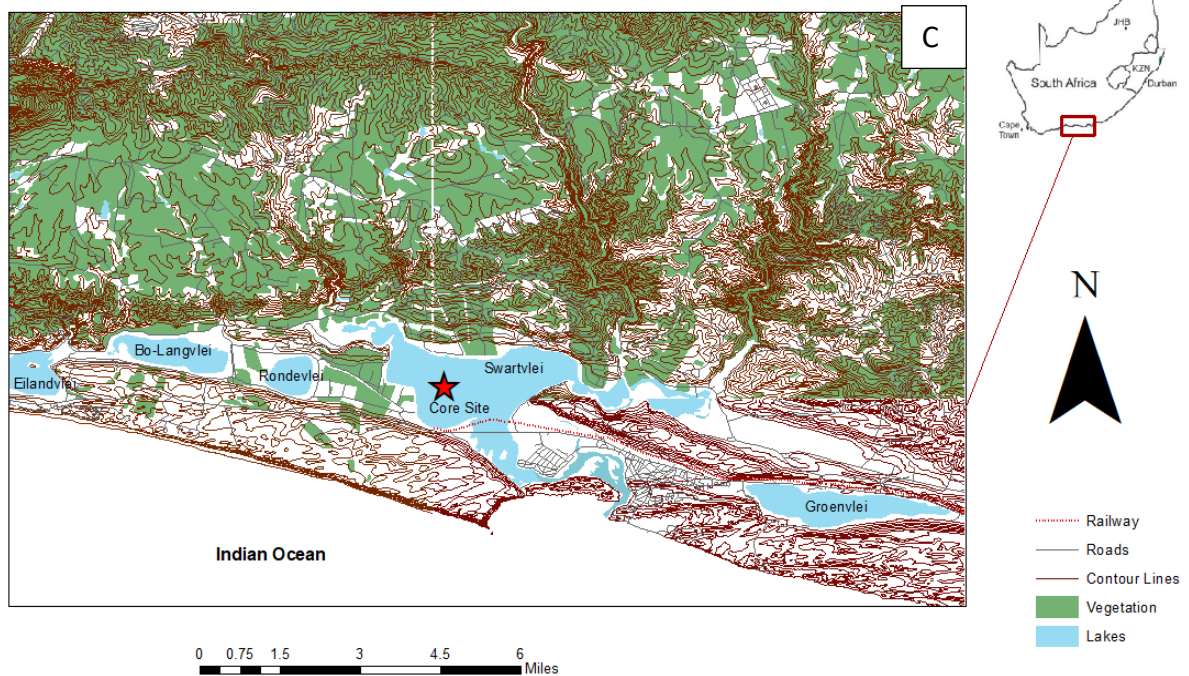


Figure 5: c) Map of the wilderness lakes with SV core site marked by red star d) Satellite image showing the Swartvlei coring sites (Source: Google Earth, 2018)

The core labelling system used for Swartvlei is explained using an example as follows “SV 13-6 (2-4) B”: “SV” = Swartvlei. “13” = year in which the core was extracted (in this case, 2013). “(2-4)” = the sediment

depth covered by that specific core, in this case between 2 m and 4 m. “B” = denotes whether this core section was at the top of bottom section of the 2 m core that was split into two sections to ease core handling. Letter B refers to the top section, while letter A refers to the bottom section.

Table 1: Location and depth retrieval of each core

Core ID	Latitude (S)	Longitude (E)	Coring device	Section depth (m)
SV 13-1 V	33°59.767'	22°45.071'	Gravity with Hammer	0 - 1.3
SV 13-5	33°59.763'	22°45.078'	Piston	0 - 4
SV13-6	33°59.759'	22°45.079'	Piston	2 - 7.2
SV 13-7	33°59.761'	22°45.079'	Piston	1.5 - 3.5

Piston coring was deemed appropriate for this lake due the system’s ability to collect undisturbed samples from the sediment-water interface. Piston coring works by creating a vacuum in the coring chamber that helps to prevent sediment compression as the sediments are drawn from the lake bed into the PVC tube (Blomqvist 1991; Wright, 1993). Piston coring process is illustrated in Figure 6. Poor collection of sandy material is a limitation of the system and occurs because the weak cohesion forces of the sand grains allow them to escape the coring tube when the core is pulled to the surface. To account for this, a core catcher is used at the bottom of the piston corer and has proved to minimise sediment loss significantly. Notwithstanding this limitation and the high cost of the piston coring system, it was chosen as the coring mechanism for this lake because of the ability to reach deep sediments (Glew et al., 2001).

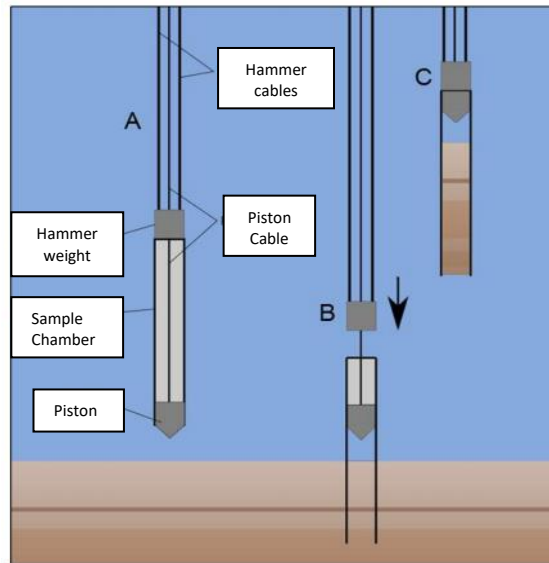


Figure 6: Three step illustration of piston coring system with a hammer weight (A) shows the submerged piston before it reaches the sediment surface. B) coring device penetrates the sediment with the wire holding the piston in place C) piston corer is pulled to the surface with the retrieved sediment held by the vacuum between the sediment and the piston (Adapted from Frew and Craig (2014))

4.2. Laboratory Methods

After coring, various laboratory techniques described below were used to establish the chronology and to examine the physical and chemical properties of the sediments. The methods used in this study (illustrated with a flowchart in Figure 7) were carefully selected based on their wide use in palaeoenvironmental studies and ability to produce reliable results.

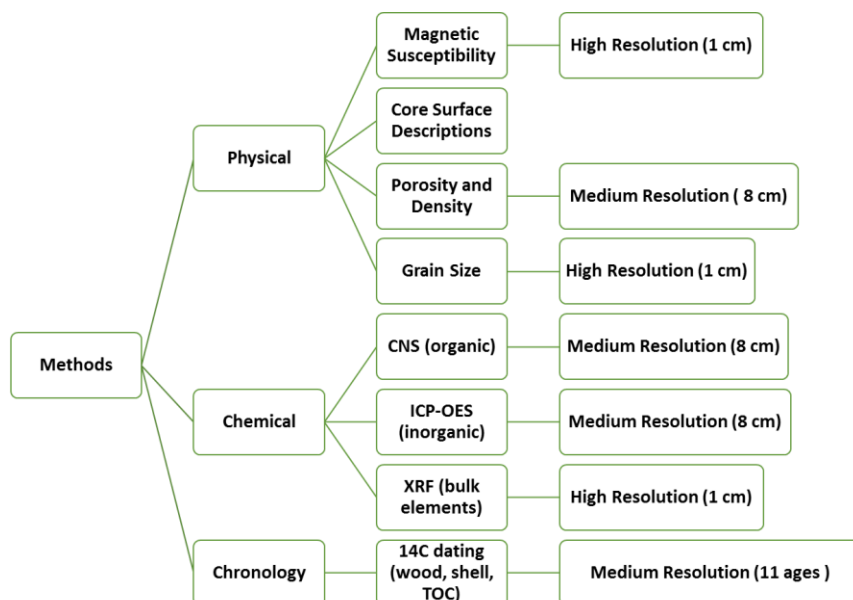


Figure 7: Flowchart showing methods followed in this study and the resolution level based on sampling details

4.2.1. Age-Model development / chronology establishment

Seven samples of wood, marine shells and bulk organic matter were taken through Accelerator Mass Spectrometry (AMS) at Poznań Radiocarbon Laboratory in Poland to measure residual radioactivity of the organic content found in the sediment cores. Two OSL ages were obtained and kindly provided by Prof. Dr. Reunhard Laupe, University of Greifswald.

Radiocarbon data were processed with BACON age modelling program underpinned by statistical analysis software, R (version 2.3.4) (Blaauw and Christen, 2011). BACON incorporates Bayesian Statistical Modelling that takes into account different rates of accumulation of sediments and uses prior information of ages gathered for that area. Four ages that were not in stratigraphic order, as well as the OSL ages due to large errors, were excluded from the Bacon age development model. SH13 calibration was applied for terrestrial sediments that were likely deposited during lacustrine conditions (Hogg et al., 2013.), while Marine13 calibration curve was used to calibrate the marine samples (Reimer et al., 2013). Marine reservoir correction (ΔR) was applied further applied to the marine sample to account for the difference in radiocarbon (^{14}C) between the atmosphere and the marine surface ocean (Maboya et al., 2017).

4.2.2. Core splitting, photography and description

Cores were split lengthwise and then photographed in 15 cm sections using a mounted Nikon D40 camera within one hour of core opening. 2D photographs taken immediately after core splitting help to preserve the colour on core surface which can change due to oxidation and water loss. Prior to photography, the open cores were prepared by scraping a sharp knife carefully across the exposed surface, the knife was cleaned after each scrape to avoid contamination. Lighting was kept constant throughout photography as it took place in a dimly lit room with the core inside a dark box illuminated by a controlled lamp of known colour temperature. The photographs were adjusted for brightness and contrast and reconstituted using Adobe Photoshop CS6 (Version 7.0) to produce continuous photographs for each core. The cores were then described lithologically with notes made on discernible sediment facies, texture, colour and visible macrofossils. Sediment surface structures such as laminations, gas bubbles and burrows, where observed, were noted in the core description sheets. A composite profile was made using layers with similar macroscopic features.

4.2.3. Particle Size

Samples of approximately 1 cm³ were taken in 1 cm intervals for the upper 2.5 m from sediment cores SV13-1V, SV 13-7B and SV13-7A sub-sampled using Nakagawa's double-L channel sampling method (Nakagawa, 2007). The sampled sections were cleaned using a scalpel and cut in a horizontal direction to the axis of the core to avoid contamination from material above or below. These samples were measured using a laser diffraction particle analyser (Beckmann Coulter LS 13320). The Beckmann Coulter laser diffraction instrument employs Fraunhofer theory which assumes that the particles are spherical, and that only diffraction takes place on the surface of the particles. This theory does not account for transmission of light through the particles unlike its competitor, the Mie theory which includes an absorption coefficient (Uncles & Mitchell, 2017). While the Fraunhofer theory is widely applied, it does not provide accurate measurement for samples <10µm in diameter; hence it can overestimate the clay fraction of the sediment, when compared to gravimetric techniques (Pye & Blott, 2004). In order to overcome this, seven runs of measurements are made per sample, and continued until a reproducible signal is evident. In the pre-treatment phase, the samples were treated with a mixture of acids to destroy carbonates and organic matter (10% H₂O₂ and 10% HCl) and a second round of the same acids with a 30% concentration. 5 ml NaHPO₄ was added to aid with dispersal for separation of the particles. Only particles with sizes between 0.1 and 2000 µm entered the diffraction analyser for size measurements and mean

grain size measurements were conducted using Blott and Pye's geometric methods of moment (Blott & Pye, 2001). Statistical analysis of the particle size distribution was conducted on the first reproducible run using Gradistat 4.2 software package (Blott and Pye, 2001), showing mean, mode, sorting, kurtosis and skewness. The formulae and categories of the statistical parameters are shown in Figure 8 and Figure 9. Constrained Incremental Sum of Squares (CONISS) was used for cluster analysis to form zones with similar sediment characteristics (Grimm, 1987). CONISS is a multivariate analysis that clusters adjacent stratigraphic zones and is typically used in the interpretation of pollen data. CONISS was used in this study in order to investigate the gradient of change in grain size within the identified stratigraphic zones.

phi	Grain Size		Descriptive term	
	mm			
-10	1024		Very Large	Boulder
-9	512		Large	
-8	256		Medium	
-7	128		Small	
-6	64		Very small	
-5	32		Very coarse	Gravel
-4	16		Coarse	
-3	8		Medium	
-2	4		Fine	
-1	2		Very fine	
0	1		Very coarse	Sand
1	500	microns	Coarse	
2	250		Medium	
3	125		Fine	
4	63		Very fine	
5	31		Very coarse	Silt
6	16		Coarse	
7	8		Medium	
8	4		Fine	
9	2		Very fine	
			Clay	

Figure 8: Size classification used for particle size data used in GRADISTAT, modified from Udden (1914) and Wentworth (1922)

Mean	Standard Deviation	Skewness	Kurtosis		
$\bar{x}_g = \exp \frac{\sum f \ln m_n}{100}$	$\sigma_g = \exp \sqrt{\frac{\sum f (\ln m_n - \ln \bar{x}_g)^2}{100}}$	$Sk_g = \frac{\sum f (\ln m_n - \ln \bar{x}_g)^3}{100 \ln \sigma_g^3}$	$K_g = \frac{\sum f (\ln m_n - \ln \bar{x}_g)^4}{100 \ln \sigma_g^4}$		
Sorting (σ_g)	Skewness (Sk_g)		Kurtosis (K_g)		
Very well sorted	< 1.27	Very fine skewed	< -1.30	Very platykurtic	< 1.70
Well sorted	1.27 – 1.41	Fine skewed	-1.30 – -0.43	Platykurtic	1.70 – 2.55
Moderately well sorted	1.41 – 1.62	Symmetrical	-0.43 – +0.43	Mesokurtic	2.55 – 3.70
Moderately sorted	1.62 – 2.00	Coarse skewed	+0.43 – +1.30	Leptokurtic	3.70 – 7.40
Poorly sorted	2.00 – 4.00	Very coarse skewed	> +1.30	Very leptokurtic	> 7.40
Very poorly sorted	4.00 – 16.00				
Extremely poorly sorted	> 16.00				

Figure 9: Formulae used for the calculation of sorting, skewness and kurtosis using the Geometric Methods of Moments in GRADISTAT

4.2.4. Magnetic susceptibility

Magnetic susceptibility was measured using a Bartington MS2E sensor (Dearing 1999) in 1 cm measurements for all cores. The sensor was lifted every 5 cm to capture air measurements to reduce measuring bias that may be caused by a potential temperature drift of the sensor. Five MS measurements were taken at each depth and an average was calculated per cm.

4.2.5. Sediment density and water content

Accordingly, mass and volume measurements of samples at 8 cm intervals throughout the core were taken prior to and after freeze-drying for 48 hours. Samples were collected with plastic syringes in varying volumes between 4-6 cm³ depending on how dense and cohesive the sediment were to be successfully retrieved by the syringes and were cleaned after each use to avoid contamination. The wet and dry masses were measured using a laboratory scale, contained in glass jars. The data was used to calculate wet and dry bulk density of the sediments, as well as water content by measuring the amount of water lost after oven drying. Dry Bulk Density and water content were calculated using the following formulae:

$$\text{Dry Bulk Density (g cm}^{-3}\text{)} = \text{mass (g)} / \text{volume (cm}^3\text{)} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Water content} = (\text{mass of wet sediment (g)} - \text{mass of dry sediment (g)}) * 100 \quad (2)$$

4.2.6. XRF scanning

XRF Core Scanner data were collected every 1 cm down-core over a 1.2 cm² area with down-core slit size of 10 mm using generator settings of 30 kV, current of 1 mA, and a sampling time of 15 seconds directly at the split core surface with XRF Core Scanner II (AVAATECH Serial No. 2) at the MARUM - University of Bremen. A second run was done with a generator setting of 10kV, current of 0.2mA and a sampling time of 15 seconds. The split core surface was covered with a 4 µm thin SPEXCerti Prep Ultralene1 foil to avoid contamination of the XRF measurement unit and desiccation of the sediment. The data reported here have been acquired by a Canberra X-PIPS Silicon Drift Detector (SDD; Model SXD 15C-150-500) with 150eV X-ray resolution, the Canberra Digital Spectrum Analyzer DAS 1000, and an Oxford Instrument 50W XTF5011 X-Ray tube with rhodium (Rh) target material. Raw data spectra were processed by the analysis of X-ray spectra by Iterative Least square software (WIN AXIL) package from Canberra Eurisys.

4.2.7. ICP-OES analysis

Samples from every 8th cm were extracted for analysis to determine absolute quantities of 21 elements. In total, 77 samples were collected to represent the 700 cm core, samples (10g) were subjected to grinding (<40µm), mortaring and sieving, followed by oven drying. After preparation, the samples are injected into the machine where a liquid sample is atomized, and the ions were excited by an inductively coupled plasma (ICP) (at a temperature up to 10 000 K) for the emission of light. The emitted light was split by a monochromator and element-specific wavelengths measured through an emission spectrometer (OES) were detected. The intensity of emitted photons, Intensity (I), is directly proportional to the concentration (c) of the element. Elemental composition was then determined using ICP-OES (Varian 725-ES) after a modified microwave-assisted aqua regia digestion containing deionised water, HCl (30%) and HNO₃ (30%) in a ration of 1:2:4. Biogenic silica was also measured with ICP-OES following the procedures described by Ohlendorf and Sturm (2008), without pre-treatment with H₂O₂ and HCl, and no centrifuging after NaOH leaching.

4.2.8. CNS analysis

CNS analysis was conducted using CNS element analyser, Elementar Analysensysteme GmbH at Friedrich Schiller University. Samples were collected at every 8 cm depth and 20 mg of each sample was packed in

an airtight container for combustion with Tungsten Oxide added as a catalyst in order to measure Total Carbon (TC), Total Nitrogen (TN) and Total Sulfur (TS). The samples were pre-treated with 10% HCl in order to remove carbonates prior to the determination of TOC, and Total inorganic Carbon (TIC) was calculated as a difference between Total Carbon (TC) and TOC. Molar TOC/TN ratios were calculated using measured TOC and TN values.

To investigate relationships between the geochemical data, correlations were calculated using Pearson correlation coefficients (r-values) with a p-value set to 0.05.

Chapter 5: Results

5.1. Core Photographs

The sediment core is composed of two main sedimentary units; namely unit A, a compacted sandy layer and unit B, a 287 cm long sequence of soft organic-rich silt that was deposited on unit A (Figure 12). This transition coincides with a change in colour from grey to dark brown, changes in texture from sandy to silty, and a decrease in sediment density from high to low (Figure 14). Photographs of the cores are shown below with colour correction.

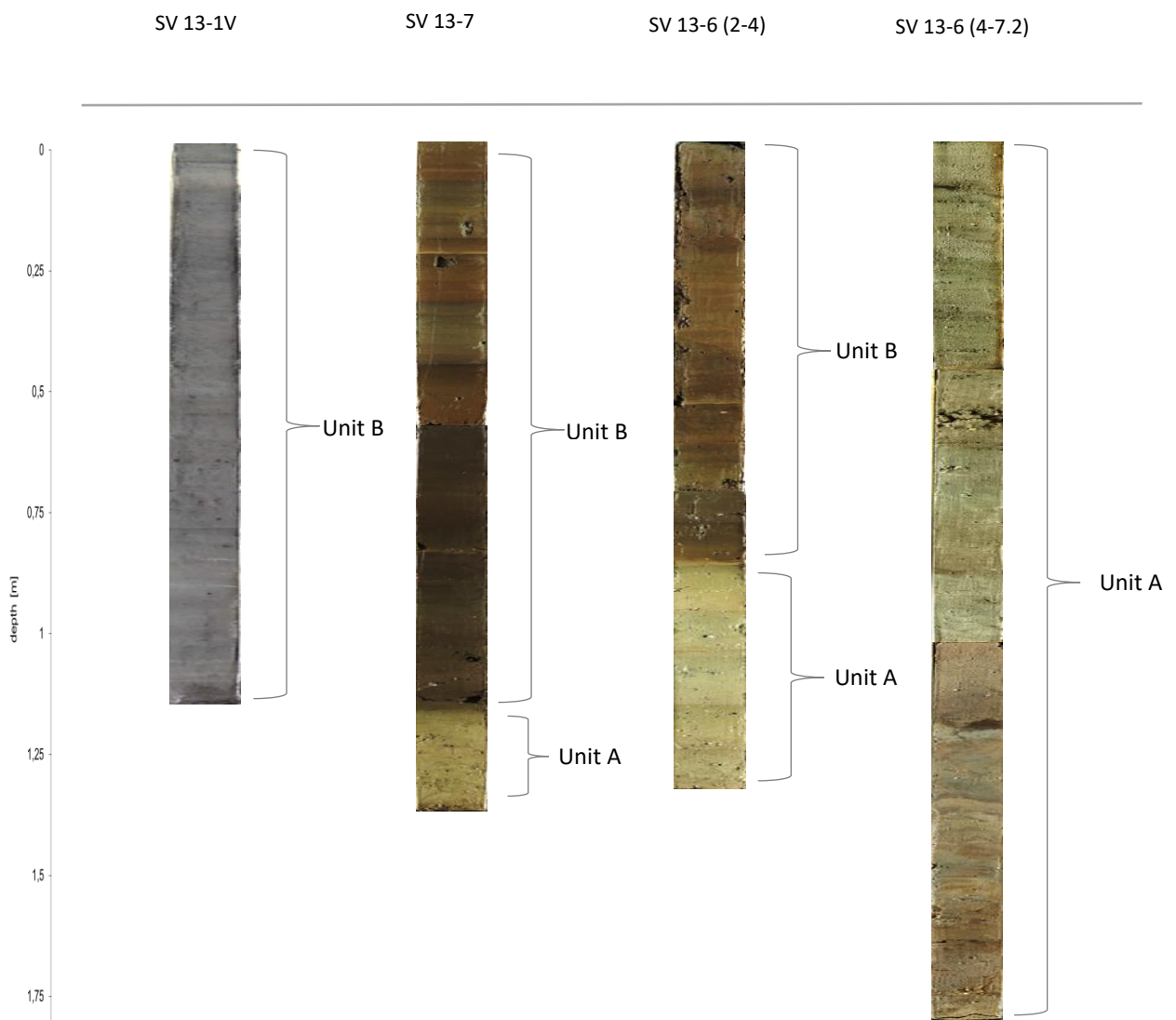


Figure 12: Photographs of Swartvlei cores SV 13-1V, SV 13-6 and SV 13-7 with colour correction

5.2. Chronology

The age model has a basal age of 8630 cal BP at 700 cm sediment depth. Radiocarbon ages were calibrated using Calib software (<http://calib.org/calib/calib.html>). Age-depth model was developed based on ^{14}C ages as modelled by Bacon Version 2.2 on the R software package Version 3.4.2 (<http://chrono.qub.ac.uk/blaauw/bacon.html>), and four ages that were not in stratigraphic order were excluded by the model (Figure 10). The average accumulation rate is 0.8 mm yr^{-1} (Figure 11). The accumulation rate is constant from 700 cm to 210 cm at 0.08 cm yr^{-1} and increases to 0.12 cm yr^{-1} at 200 cm. The rate then decreases to 0.065 cm yr^{-1} until 80 cm depth, where it then rises to its highest range between 0.079 and 0.12 cm yr^{-1} until the surface.

Table 2: OSL and ^{14}C ages with errors and calibration curves used to create age model

Core	Sample Type	Measurement Method	Age (BP)	Error (BP)	Sediment Depth (cm)	Calibration	ΔR
SV13-1	TOC	AMS	920	+/- 30	75	SH13	n/a
SV13-1	TOC	AMS	1860	+/- 35	145	SH13	n/a
SV13-7 (1.5-3.5) A	TOC	AMS	2865	+/- 30	199	SH13	n/a
SV13-7 (1.5-3.5) A	wood	AMS	2420	+/- 35	199.5	SH13	n/a
SV13-6 (2-4) B	TOC	AMS	2245	+/- 35	206	SH13	n/a
SV13-6 (2-4) A	carbonates	AMS	6710	+/- 40	280.5	Marine13	187 +/- 18
SV13-7 (1.5-3.5) A	sand	OSL	3180	+/- 440	306	n/a	n/a
SV13-6 (6-7.2)	sand	OSL	15400	+/- 2600	689	n/a	n/a
SV13-6 (6-7.2)	shell	AMS	8310	+/- 50	694.5	Marine13	187 +/- 18
Ages excluded from the age model							
SV 13-6 (4-6) B	carbonates	AMS	9220	+/- 50	397.5	n/a	n/a
SV13-6 (4-6) A	carbonates	AMS	11260	+/- 60	472	n/a	n/a
SV13-6 (6-7.2)	carbonates	AMS	10160	+/- 70	630	n/a	n/a
SV 13-6 (6-7.2)	TOC	AMS	16840	+/- 100	685	n/a	n/a

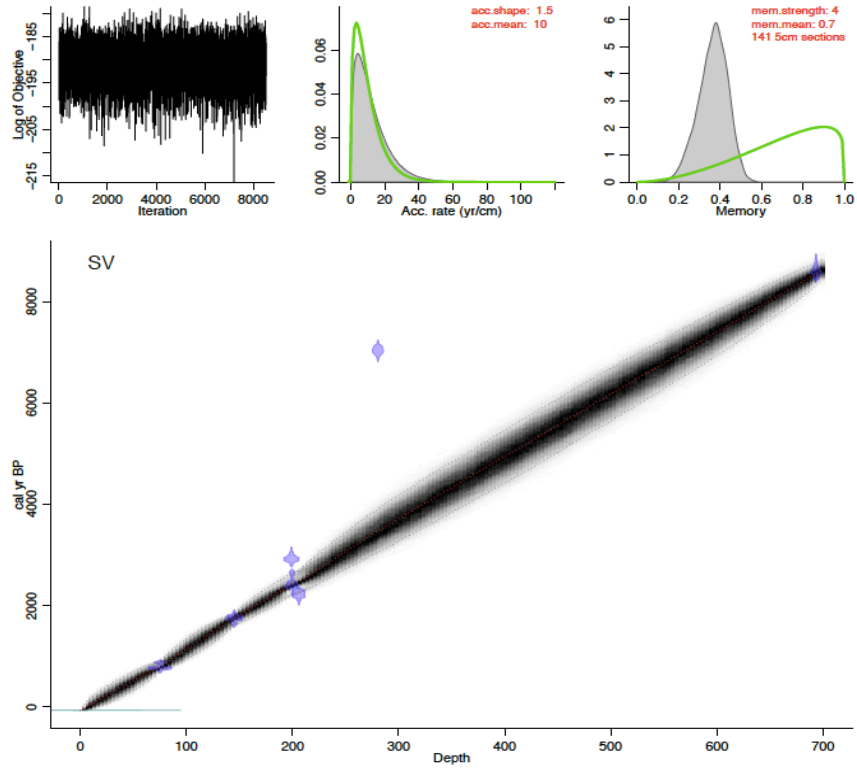


Figure 10: e) BACON age-depth model for SV 13 made using the seven ages in Table 2, f) ^{14}C and OSL ages with errors plotted along with BACON outputs of minimum, maximum and median ages

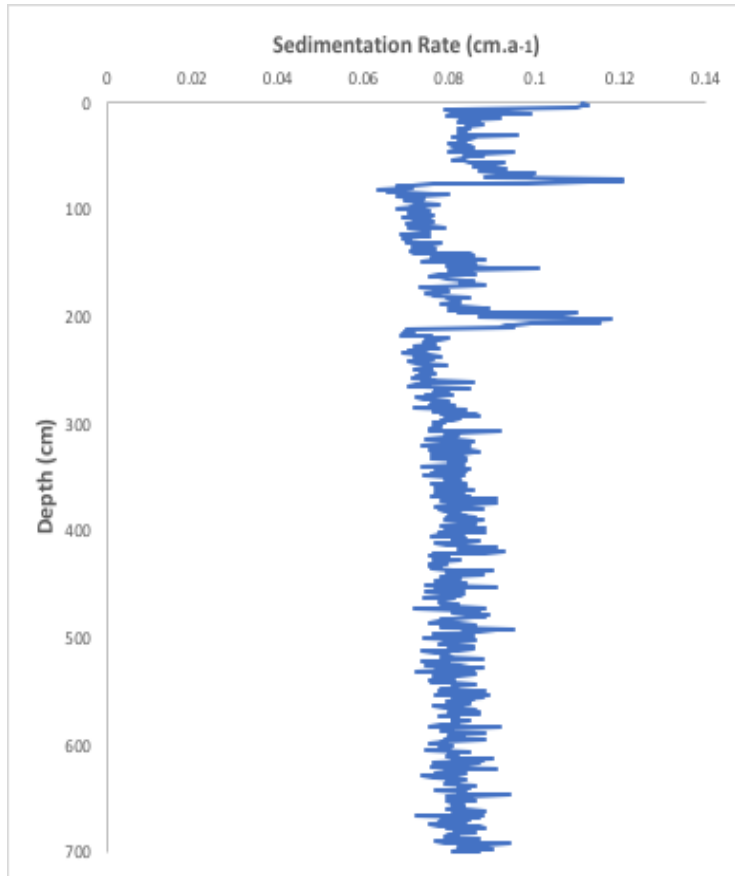


Figure 11: Sedimentation rates for SV 13 based on Bacon age-depth model

5.3. Particle size

5.3.1. Unit A (700 cm to 288 cm)

In Unit A, which ranges from 700 to 288 cm (8620 to 3550 cal BP), there are very low amounts of clay which lie between 1-5% (Figure 13). Thereafter, clay proportions increase gradually to 11% at 288 cm (3550 cal BP) with a peak (14.9%) at 425 cm (5250 cal BP). Silt occurs in slightly higher proportions than that of clay although the overall pattern is very similar. Silt fluctuates strongly, more so than clay, in the lower part of Unit A, where values vary from a low of 4.6% at 698 cm (8600 cal BP) to a high of 76% at 606 cm (7580 cal BP). From 598 cm (7480 cal BP) silt remains below 10% until a pronounced peak of 83% is observed at 425 cm (5240 cal BP) (Figure 3). From 425 cm (5240 cal BP) to the top of Unit A, silt increases with moderate degrees of variability. Sand, ranging between 60-95%, is dominant throughout Unit A, with a mean abundance of 80%. There are marked decreases in sand at 425 cm (5240 cal BP) (1.5%) and 606 cm (7480 cal BP) (18.2%) a gradually reduction from 425 cm (5240 cal BP) towards the top of Unit A, down to 20% at a depth of 288 cm (3550 cal BP).

The mean particle size, which is significantly larger in Unit A, ranges between 100 -300 μm , reflecting the larger proportion of sand in this part of the core. The mean grain size for Unit A starts at around 100 μm at 344 cm (4250 cal BP) before decreasing to a low of 19.3 μm at 288 cm (3550 cal BP) at the top of Unit A. Sorting values range between 3 and 6, meaning that the particles vary between poorly sorted (values 2 to 4) and very poorly sorted (4 to 16). Sediments range from being very finely skewed (<-1.3) to very coarse skewed (>1.30) throughout Unit A. Between 700 and 624 cm (8620 to 7700 cal BP), skewness is more variable, tending toward being very finely skewed, before trending to coarser skewness values up to 380 cm (4690 cal BP) where a gradual tendency towards finer skewness is seen at the top of Unit A. Kurtosis values range between 4 and 11, indicating that the sediments are leptokurtic (3.7 – 7.4) to very leptokurtic (>7.4).

5.3.2. Unit B (287 to 0 cm)

Unit B is far more uniform in the proportions of sand, silt and clay proportions compared to the underlying Unit A. Overall, there is significantly more silt found in this section, varying between 65 to 80% while the clay fraction ranges between 10 and 15%. The lower parts of Unit B are more sandy (~20%) but these

proportions decline to around 5% at 220 cm, whereafter such low values are maintained towards the top of the core.

The mean grain size in Unit A is smaller than in the underlying sediments, remaining well below 20 μm for the most part. Between 287 and 220 cm mean size is more variable, but declines from 20 μm to 7 μm . This trend is interrupted by a peak of 30 μm between 215 and 212 cm (2580 to 2540 cal BP), corresponding to an increase in sand content and, mean particle size reaches 40 μm accompanied by a decline in both silt and clay fractions. From 212 to 21 cm (2540 to 170 cal BP), mean particle size ranges between 6 and 9 μm and shifts to values below 6 μm from 15 cm through to the top of Unit B where sand is almost absent. Except for the peak at 215 – 212 cm (2580 to 2540 cal BP), which is very poorly sorted, the sediments of Unit B are poorly sorted (values 3 to 4). Skewness in the top 212 cm ranges between -0.4 and -0.09, which means that the distribution is symmetrical to coarsely skewed. Kurtosis is 5.3 at 284 cm (3500 cal BP) but values then drop to 2.2 at 252 cm (3500 cal BP to 3080 cal BP), indicating a shift from leptokurtic (3.7 - 7.4) to platykurtic (1.7 – 2.5) distribution. Kurtosis values remain between 2 and 2.5 through to the top of the core.



Figure 13: Particle size data for SV composite core against depth (cm) and age (cal BP), with the CONISS cluster analysis and demarcations for Unit A and Unit B

5.4. Magnetic susceptibility

In general, the magnetic susceptibility values are very low in the sediment record with the exception of the basal 80 cm which displays notable fluctuations in this parameter (Figure 14). Overall, magnetic susceptibility ranges between 0 and 550×10^{-6} SI. Above 600 cm, the signal remains very low through to the surface.

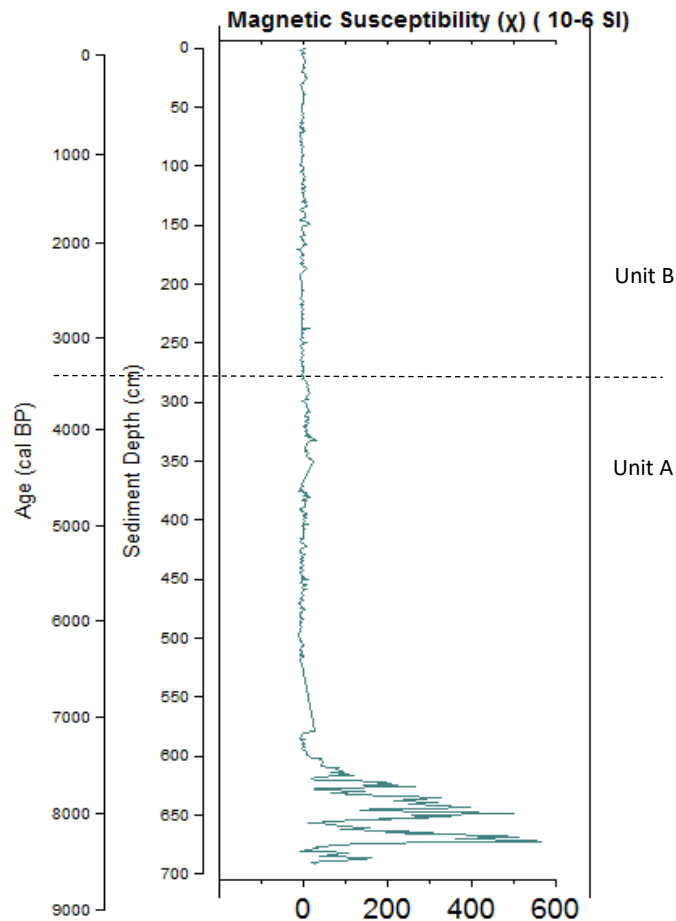


Figure 14: Bulk magnetic susceptibility against depth (cm) and age (cal BP)

5.5. Water content and sediment density

Sediments in Unit A have wet bulk density values that range between 1.8 g cm^{-3} and 2.4 g cm^{-3} from 700 cm to 320 cm (8620 to 3950 cal BP), with a slight decrease to 1.5 g cm^{-3} at 310 cm (3830 cal BP) (Figure 15). The wet bulk density then increases to 3 g cm^{-3} at 260 cm (3190 cal BP), before a marked reduction in values to oscillate around 1 g cm^{-3} at 200 cm (2410 cal BP); these levels are maintained throughout Unit

B. Overall, water loss ranges between 0 and 20% in Unit A, then transitions to higher values from about 300 cm (3700 cal BP). Above 300 cm (3700 cal BP), water loss values lie between 60 and 80% until 150 cm (1810 cal BP), where they decrease to below 60%.

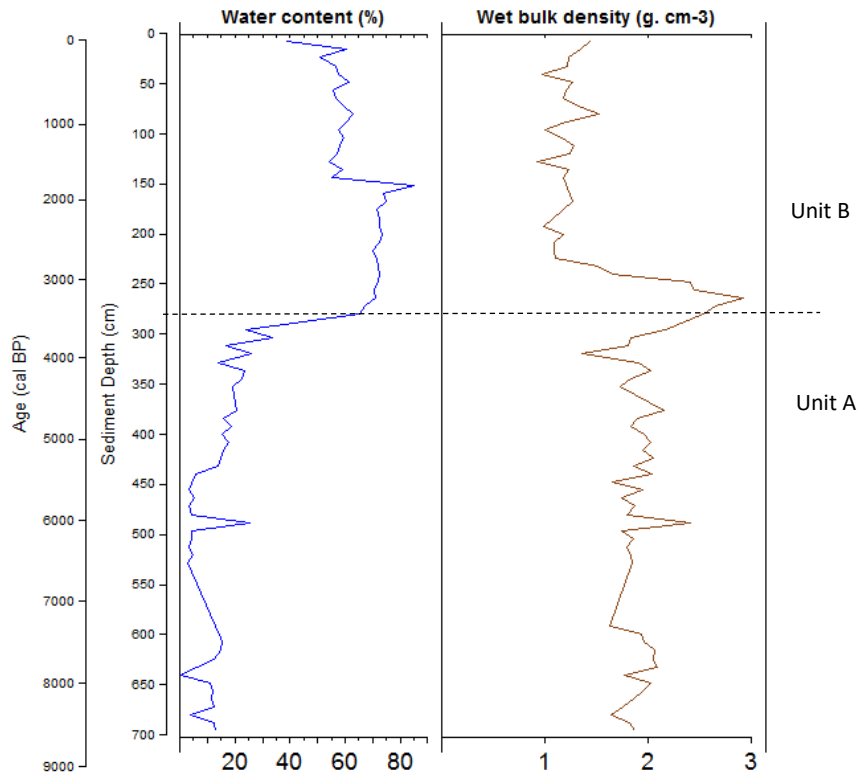


Figure 15: Graphs of wet bulk density (g cm-3) and water content (%) against depth (cm) and age (cal BP)

5.6. Geochemistry

Elements that exhibit significant variation in composition are described below.

5.6.1. Organic content

Markedly higher concentrations of total nitrogen (TN) and total organic carbon (TOC) occur in the Unit B than in Unit A. Overall, the organic content is low between 700 and 400 cm (8620 to 4940 cal BP) (Figure 16). A slight increase occurs between 400 and 300 cm (4940 to 3700 cal BP), followed by a steep rise to high but varying concentrations through to the surface. Both TN and TOC peak at 168 cm (2030 cal BP) (TN = 0.81% and TOC = 11.8%) followed by a return to slightly lower values at 120 cm (1410 cal BP) (where TN = 0.52% and TOC = 6.5%). Both TN and TOC increase again to a lower peak at 48 cm (490 cal BP) before approaching the lower values found at the top of the core.

Total Sulphur (TS) follows a similar trend to that of TN and TOC with higher values in Unit B, although they increase earlier (Figure 16). TS ranges between 0 and 0.50% in the section between 700 and 320 cm (8620 to 3950 cal BP), while reaching higher proportions (2.5-4.23%) in the upper part of Unit B from 272 cm (3340 cal BP) to the surface. The highest TS values are recorded between 200 cm and 176 cm (2410 to 2130 cal BP) (4.18 to 4.23%). TOC/TS ratios are low in Unit A (0.67 to 1.93) and high in Unit B (2.04 to 3.53) while TOC/TN ratios are more variable and higher in both units. TOC/TN ratios range from 1.59 to 9.88 in Unit A and lie between 11.17 and 14.6 in Unit B; both ratios peak at 392 cm (2840 cal BP). Extremely low quantities of P ranging from 33 to 90 ppm are observed from 700 to 456 cm (8620 to 5630 cal BP), thereafter, the concentration increases sharply to >1500 ppm in the upper part of the sequence. A sharp decline to lower concentrations however occurs at 176 cm (2130 cal BP), immediately followed by a consistent increase from 160 cm (1930 cal BP).

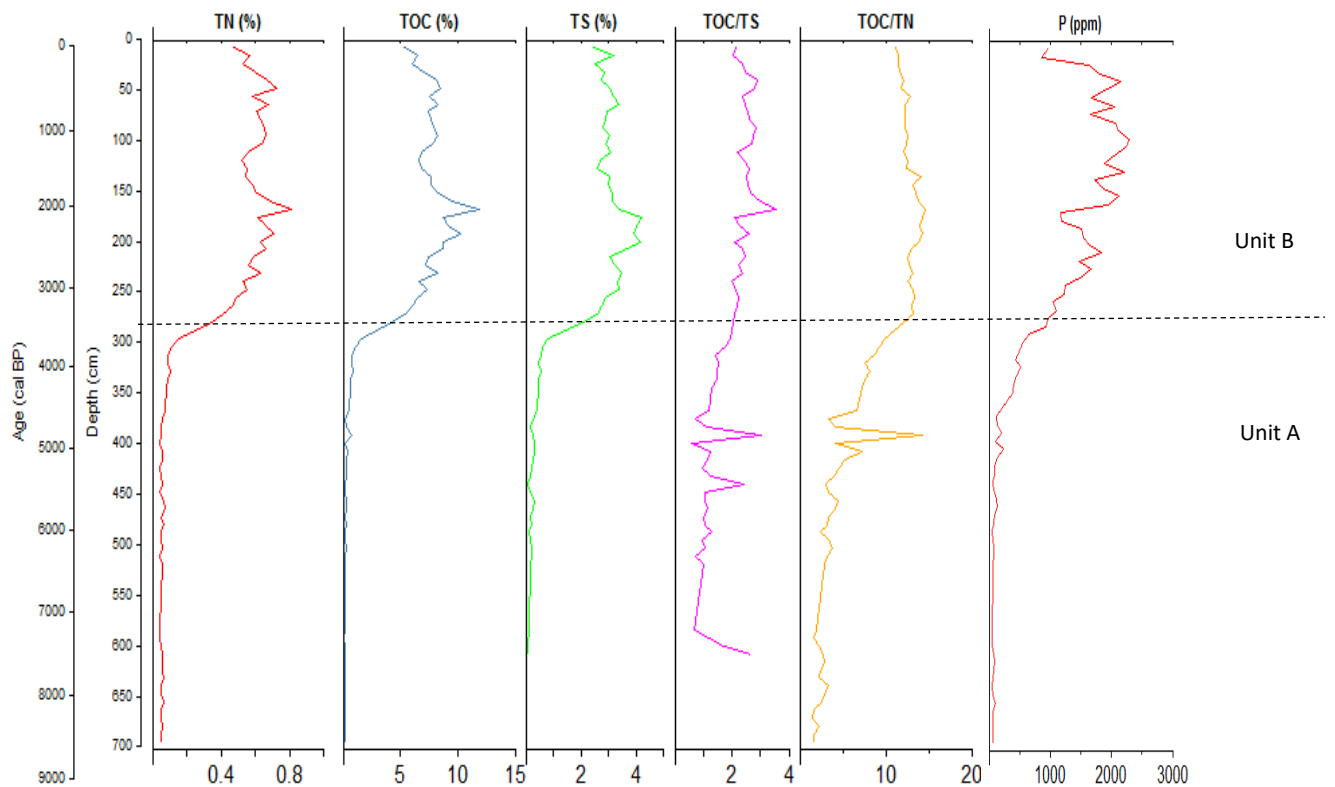


Figure 16: Plots of TOC, TN and TS (CNS), TOC/TS, TOC/TN and P (ICP-OES) against depth (cm) and age (cal BP)

BiSi concentrations are low in Unit A (between 0.13 and 1.43%) and high in Unit B (between 3.67 and 8.86%) with the exception of the top 16 cm (110 cal BP) where they decrease again to 0.89% (Figure 17). A profound peak to 8.86% occurs at 168 cm (2030 cal BP), followed by a sharp decrease to 4.44% at 168 cm (1830 cal BP).

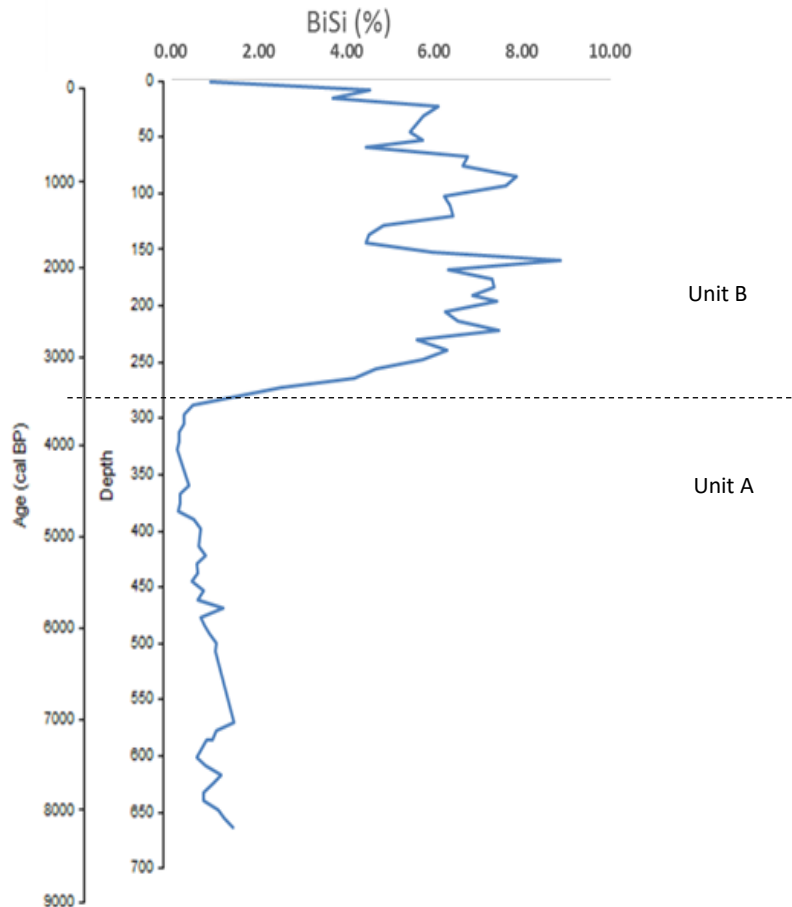


Figure 17: Biogenic silica (%) against depth (cm) and age (cal BP)

5.6.2. Calcium, Strontium and Total Inorganic Carbon (TIC)

Figure 18 indicates that the lowest concentrations of Ca, Sr and total inorganic carbon (TIC) are found at the base of the core although they exhibit a gradual increase between 696 to 624 cm (8580 to 7700 cal BP). From 472 cm (5830 cal BP), Ca and Sr levels vary greatly with reversals in the increasing trend at 440 cm (5430 cal BP), 400 cm (4940 cal BP) and 384 cm (4740 cal BP). The Ca and Sr levels then rapidly rise to the highest concentrations which are maintained between 344 cm and 296 cm (4548 - 3650 cal BP) where

the concentrations range between 88030 and 105 600 ppm. Above 296 cm (3650 cal BP), there is a sharp decline to lower values (e.g. 6220 ppm Ca at 232 cm (2810 cal BP)). Above 232 cm (2810 cal BP), Ca declines further and remains low. Sr concentrations fluctuate around 100 ppm from 232 cm (2810 cal BP) before declining to lower values in the last 400 years. TIC follows a similar trend in that concentrations are lower near the base of the core, increase sharply to higher values in the middle section and return to low values following the transition to Unit B. TIC values achieve maximum levels in the same section as Ca and Sr, ranging between 2.49% and 3.60% maintained over roughly 72 cm before dropping to relatively low values in the upper part of Unit B through to the surface.

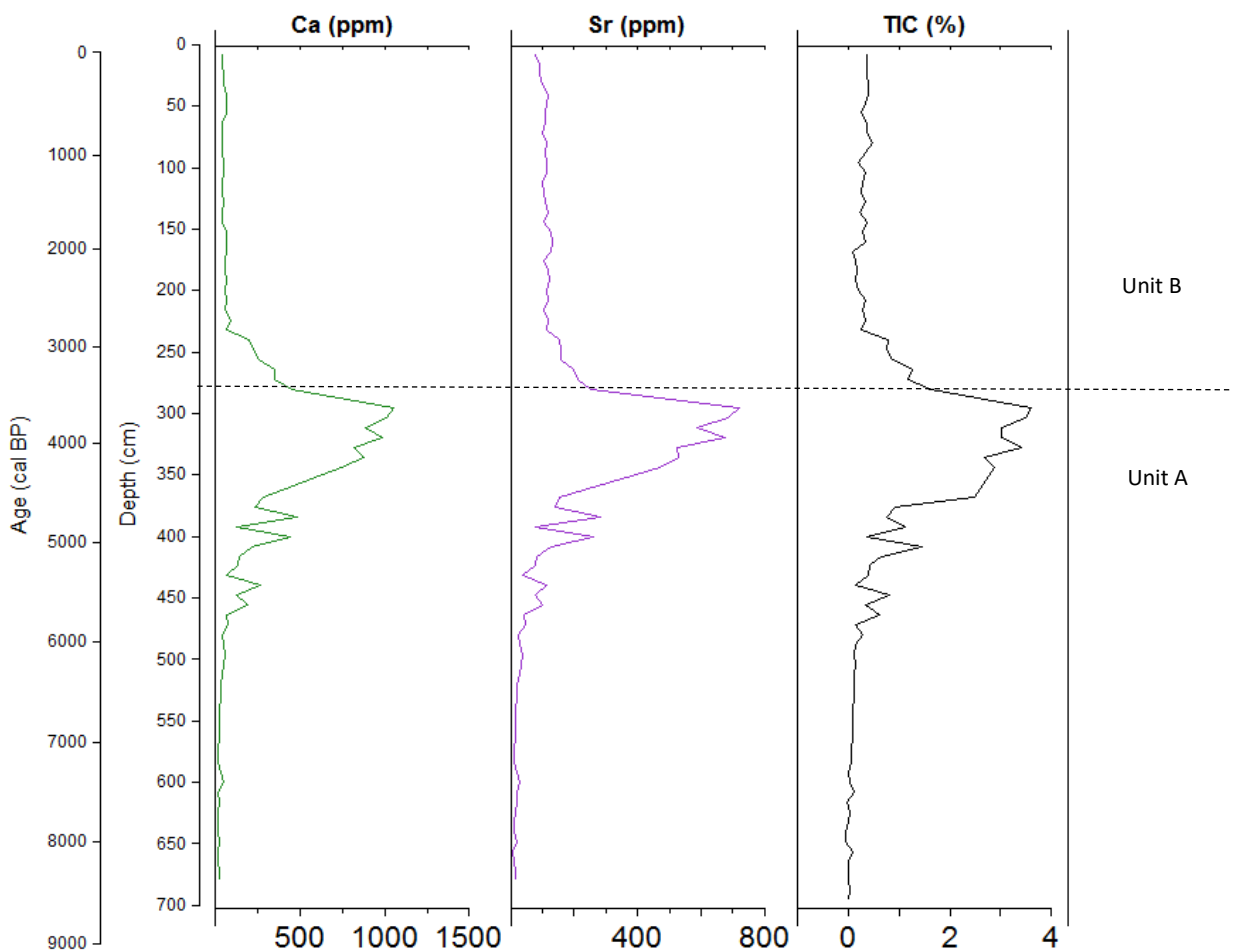


Figure 18: Plots of Ca, Sr (ICP-OES) and TIC (CNS) against depth (cm) and age (cal BP)

5.6.3. Minerogenic content

Between 700 and 600 cm, Al, K and Fe concentrations start very low but reach a minor peak at 608 cm (7510 cal BP) before declining to lower values (Figure 19). Above 312 cm (3850 cal BP), all three elements

increase markedly, and higher concentrations are maintained through to the present; K exhibits more variability than Fe. Fe/Al ratios show an inverse relationship to the Si/Al ratios where the signal is weak in unit A and strong in unit B. The negative correlation between Si/Al and Fe/Al ($r = -0.601$) is statistically significant at 1% (p -value = 0.0001).

Pb concentrations are low or below detectable levels prior to 272 cm (3340 cal BP) but gradually increase thereafter to 20 ppm until the present (Figure 19). Mn concentrations are very low from the base of the core and only increase slightly from 384 cm. A shift to higher values occurs at 240 cm and Mn concentrations vary thereafter, reaching peaks at 240 cm (2920 cal BP) (721 ppm) and 184 cm (2230 cal BP) (825.4 ppm) before a sudden decline at 128 cm (1520 cal BP) (251 ppm). Mn returns to high levels after 100 cm (1140 cal BP) and continues to increase until the surface of the core.

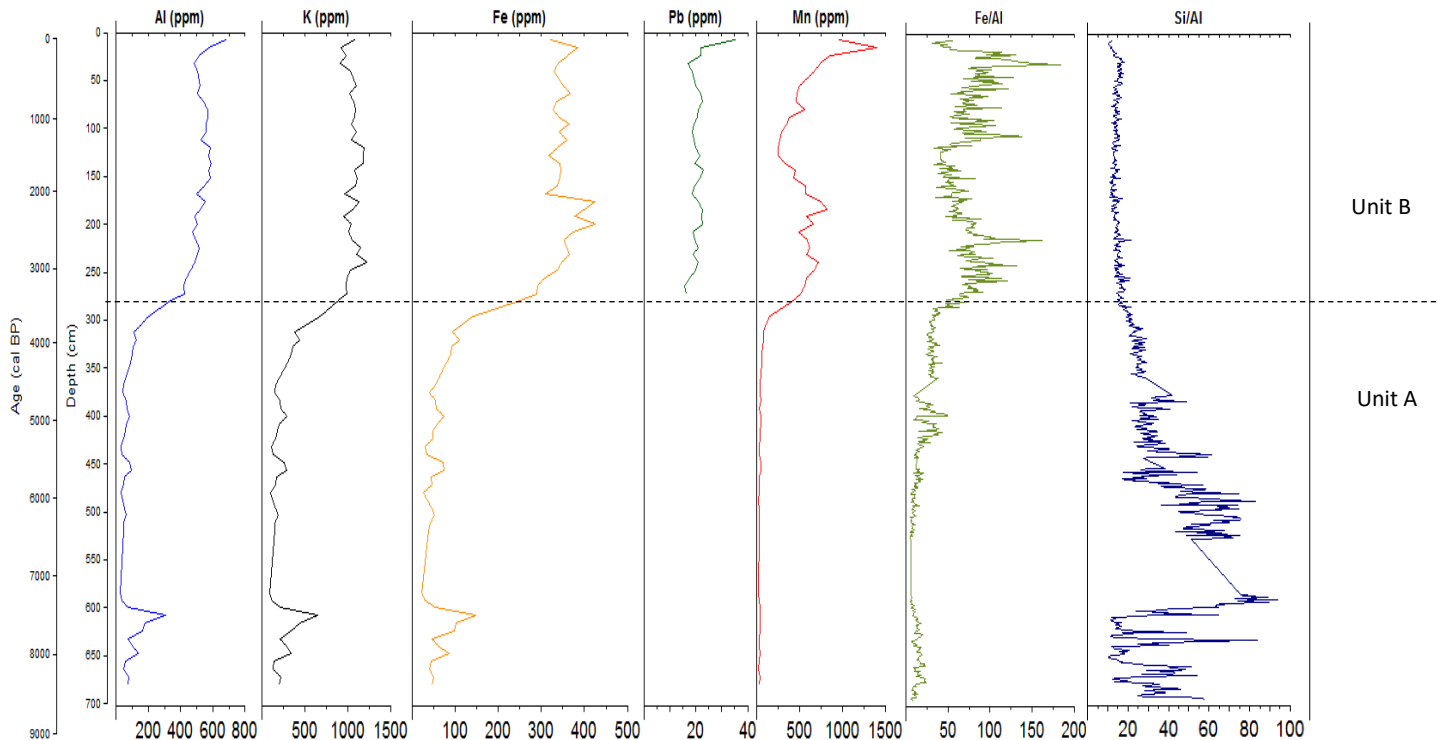


Figure 19: Plots of Aluminium (Al), Potassium (K), Iron (Fe), Lead (Pb), and Manganese (Mn) (all ICP-OES) and Fe/Al and Si/Al (XRF) against depth (cm) and age (cal BP)

Zr, Ti and Rb exhibit broadly similar trends, with variable values near the base followed by a shift to slightly lower but variable concentrations (Figure 20). Above 376 cm, Zr, Ti and Rb there are markedly higher concentrations in all three. Zr which oscillates around 25 ppm until a slight drop at 56 cm (23 ppm), followed by a peak to the highest in the record (27 ppm) at 16 cm. Si values have a markedly different

pattern, with relatively high counts in the lower parts of the sequence and, between 700 and 427 cm (8620 to 5270 cal BP), vary between 30 000 and 40 000 counts. Si then declines to lower counts of between 10 000 and 20 000 between 427 cm and 277 cm (5270 to 3410 cal BP), before declining to below 10 000 counts after 277 cm in Unit B. Si returns to >10 000 counts at 190 cm (2300 cal BP) until 112 cm (1300 cal BP), followed by a period with values that vary around 10 000 counts until the top 10 cm of Unit B where it peaks again.

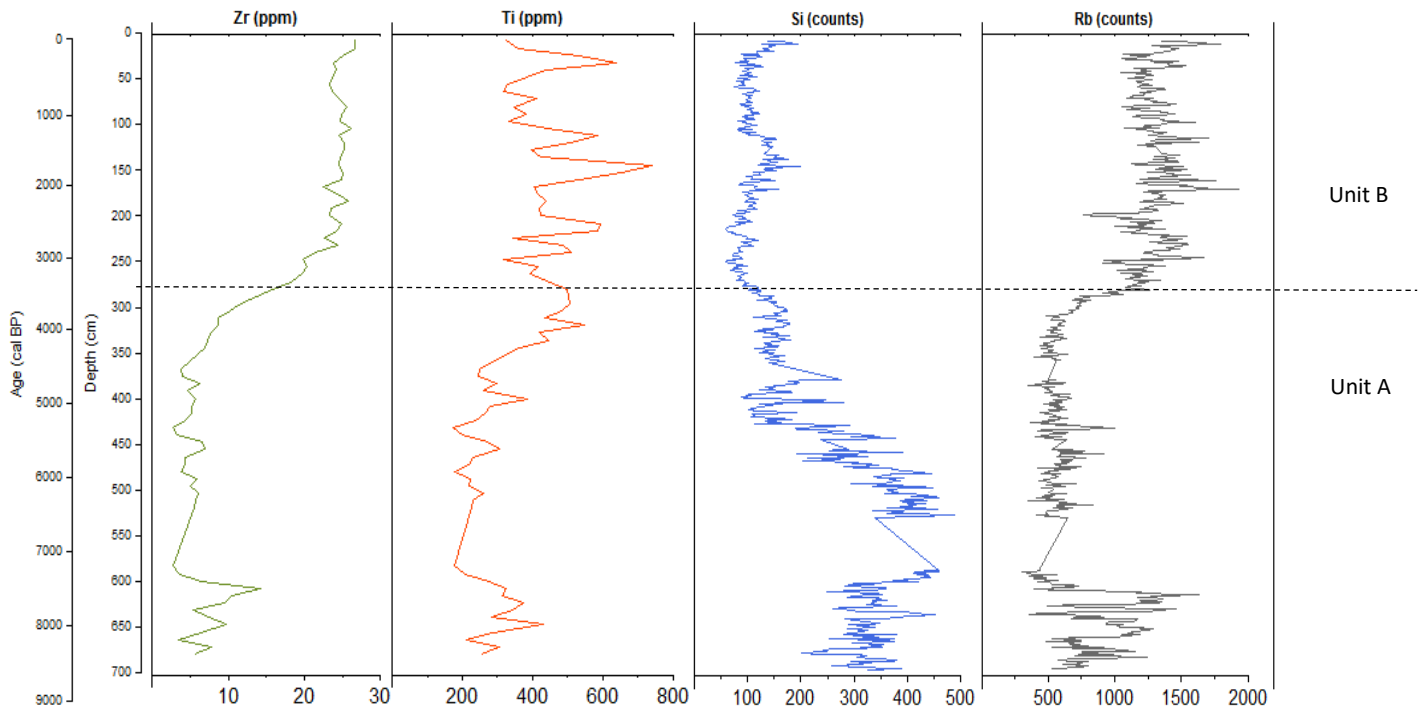


Figure 20: Plots of Zr, Ti (ICP-OES), Si, Rb (XRF) against depth (cm) and age (cal BP)

Chapter 6: Discussion

This chapter discusses the landscape modifications that were largely influenced by changes in sea-level and local dune morphology. This is followed by a discussion of the palaeoclimatic changes inferred from magnetic susceptibility, geochemical proxies, particle size data and organic matter accumulation in the lake. Each section contains a comparison of the Swartvlei record with those from surrounding sites. Sea-level changes are compared with those from local and regional curves.

6.1. Sea-level changes and landscape evolution

6.1.1. 8600 to 4500 cal BP

The higher Magnetic Susceptibility (χ) values that occur from 700 to 608 cm (8600 to 7600 cal BP) are indicative of the deposition of magnetisable material (Figure 14). The Table Mountain sandstones and beach sands can be excluded as a source of this due to their high SiO₂ content that is diamagnetic. The sediments could have emerged from the southern cape conductive belt (SCCB) that lies northward of Swartvlei and possesses a strong magnetic susceptibility signal due to the presence of magnetite in the basaltic rocks (de Beer, 1982). Through the hydration of olivines and pyroxenes into serpentine within the original basaltic rocks, iron is converted into magnetite which has a high magnetic susceptibility (de Beer, 1982). Thereafter, the sediments were likely eroded and transported into Swartvlei by aeolian processes. The deposition of sand during this time is likely from dominance of aeolian processes at Swartvlei as indicated by the absence of marine shell debris and the the measured OSL age of 15 400 +/- 2600 BP at a depth of 694.5 cm in the sediment core. Figure 21 below shows a comparison of grain size data from Swartvlei with those from surrounding areas. The data shows a similarity in the low distribution of silt and clay and the dominance of medium sized sand which constitutes >50% at all the localities. Although the mean grain size at Swartvlei (mean phi value = 1.385) indicates that the sediments were slightly coarser than those from the Wilderness dune cordon (mean phi value = 1.98), the similarity in the overall proportion of the grains suggests that the sand could have been sourced from surrounding dunes as reported by Bateman et al. (2004).

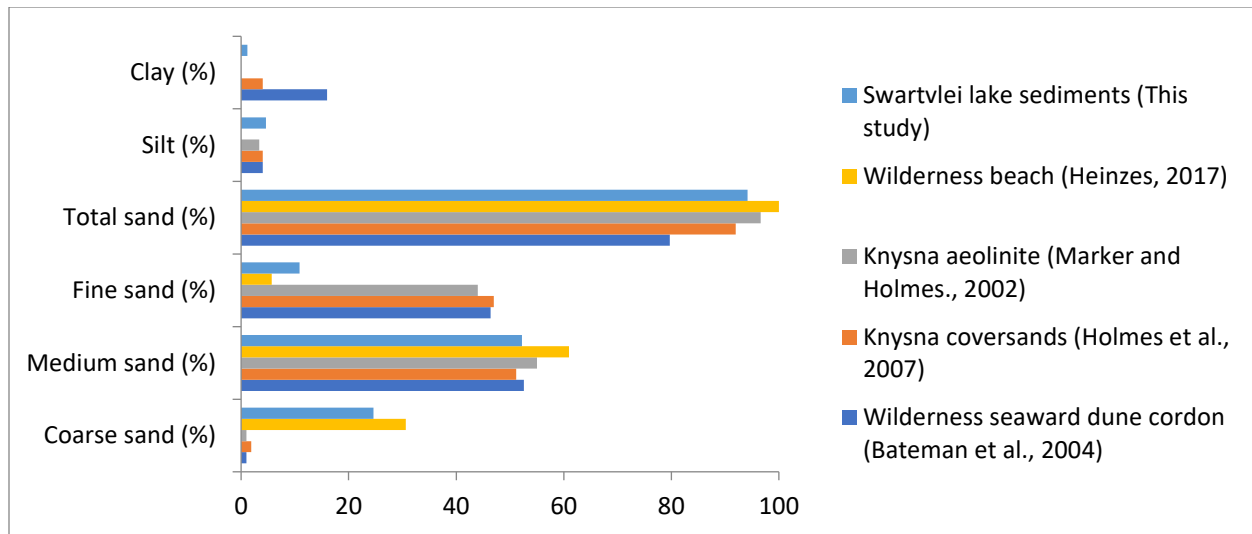


Figure 21: Grain size data comparison between Swartvlei and surrounding areas

Both Zr and Si are also prominent in this section of the core and are strongly correlated with each other ($r = 0.77$), but are negatively correlated with K, Al and Fe. This points to different source material or suggests that they were transported by different environmental processes. Si is common in the quartz-rich sandy material that could be detrital component of marine sand or derived from the erosion of the granites and sandstones in the river catchments or is from local dune sand (Willis, 1985). Although they were found to exist only in low densities, the common diatom *Coscinodiscus lineatus* was identified in Swartvlei by Robarts (1973) and could make a minor additional contribution to the silica content found in the sediment record. Zr is a robust element and contained in Cape Supergroup sandstone as shown in provenance studies by Bordy et al. (2016). The correlation of Zr with Si (0.77) however implies that some of the Si is sourced from the erosion of the underlying sandstones and transported to the site through aeolian processes. The strong correlation between Si and the larger sized particles of sand suggests that majority of Si content is carried in the coarse-grained sediment fraction through aeolian processes. Birch et al. (1978) also found that Zr occurred at the same depths as Si in earlier geochemical analyses at Swartvlei and suggested that Si and Zr are correlated and were deposited through aeolian processes when the climate was drier and windier.

Another possible source of the sediments found at the base of SV13 core is fluvial processes. The variation in minerogenic content (K, Al, Fe, Ti, Zr) is indicative of amplified riverine processes that eroded granite rocks in the catchment area during periods of increased precipitation. Furthermore, there is a

corresponding enrichment in the silt proportions at the same depth, which is mostly sourced from fluvial input. This evidence is described in detail in Section 6.2.

Mean grain size data between 8600 and 4500 cal BP reveal a dominance of sand (averaging 79%) indicating a marine influence, an interpretation that is supported by the high frequency of marine shell debris noted in the lithology. A transition to marine conditions following this period is also marked by a band of grey sand enriched with shell debris visible at 495 cm (6110 cal BP) (See Appendix A), which also coincides with a strong reflector visible on seismic profiles from Cawthra (2018) at the same depth (Figure 22). Below this strong reflector on the seismic profile (indicated by red line in the profile), there is a deeper river channel towards the right section of the seismic which was sub-aerially exposed when the lake was dry. Buried river channels at Swartvlei were also noted in earlier seismic investigations by Birch et al. (1978) although their precise location and depth were not indicated. Subsequent sand infilling of the flanks likely from aeolian deposition occurred and was later filled in with marine sediments resulting from over spillage when the sea-level rose. Ca concentrations began increasing gently from the same depth (Figure 18), providing evidence for the early stages of the marine intrusion. Furthermore, the high-density values and low water content indicate compacted, poorly sorted large sand grains. Berner and Raiswell (1984) recommended the use of TOC/S ratios as helpful indicators for paleosalinity, where marine sediments have low values (0.5-5) and freshwater sediments have high values (>10). The Swartvlei TOC/S ratios for this period are well below 5 (specifically, they lie between 0.59 and 3.53), indicating that Swartvlei experienced the deposition of marine sediments.

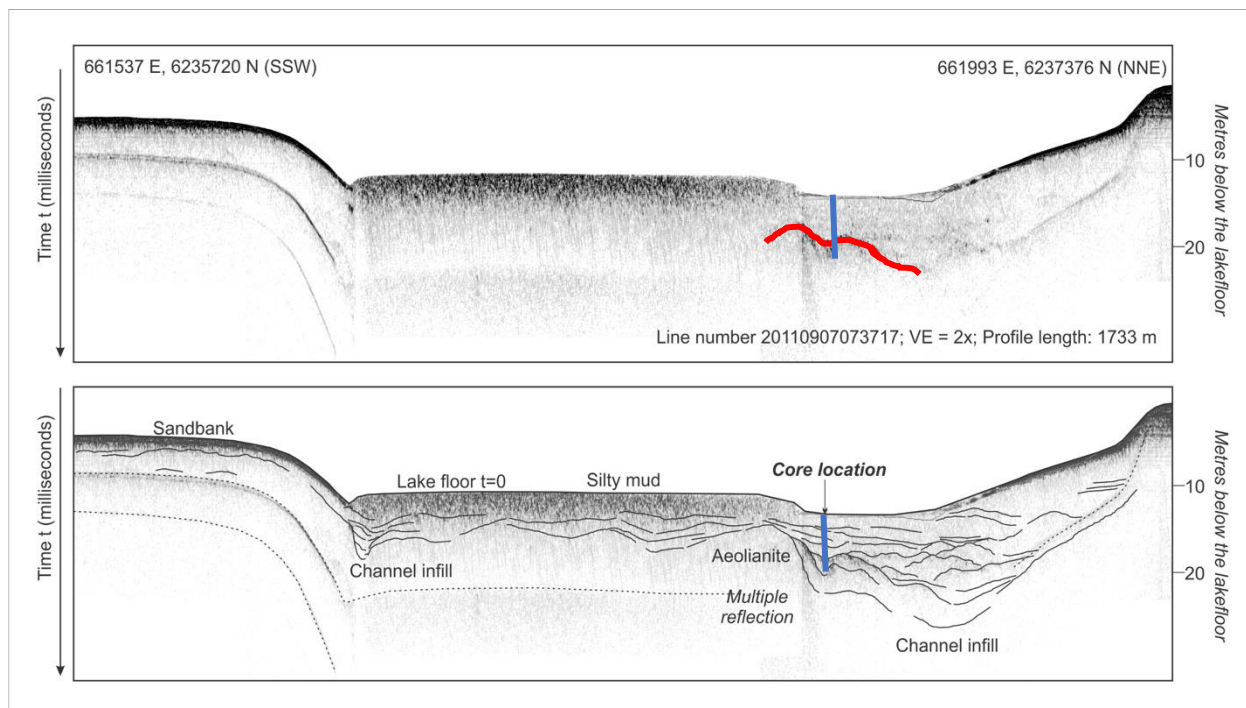


Figure 22: Seismic profile of Swartvlei taken by Cawthra et al. (2018) with a deeply incised river channel towards the right. Core location is overprinted with a blue line and the red line indicates a strong reflector

Extremely low quantities of TOC are found at the lake during this period (8600 to 4500 cal BP) (Figure 16). TOC concentrations are commonly used as an indicator of organic activity and palaeoproductivity in sedimentary environments e.g. Meyers (2003). High wave energy at Eilandvlei prevented good preservation of diatom frustules during the same period (Bennion et al., 2010; Kirsten et al. 2018). It is likely that a similar environment prevailed at Swartvlei and was not favourable to the accumulation of organic matter, thus the low TOC concentrations observed. Furthermore, molar TOC/TN ratios can be used as a proxy to distinguish between terrestrial and aquatic derived carbon. Aquatic organic matter is high in nitrogen and lacks cellulosic structures and therefore shifts TOC/TN ratios to lower values (Lamb et al., 2006). TOC/TN ratios for planktonic organisms are usually between 4 and 10 (Meyers, 2003). The molar TOC/TN values for Swartvlei range between 1.49 and 7.25 in Unit A (Figure 16) and therefore indicate that the accumulated organic matter was composed mostly of autochthonous planktonic organisms such as algae.

6.1.2. 4500 to 3500 cal BP

TIC and Ca concentrations peak between 4500 and 3500 cal BP and are strongly correlated ($r=0.774$). This indicates that most of the inorganic carbon is likely bound in CaCO_3 . Terrestrial sediments are an additional possible source of Ca through the decomposition of organisms with calcified skeletons, although not mentioned in the literature to date. TIC and Ca are therefore taken here as a proxy for marine influence and indicate that the marine incursion into the lake probably occurred when the shoreline migrated landward between 4500 and 3500 cal BP due to sea-level rise. The marine transgression is broadly supported by evidence from sea-level reconstructions on the west and south coasts of South Africa (e.g. Miller et al., 1995; Ramsay, 1995; Baxter and Meadows, 1999; Compton, 2001) who postulated a marine transgression between 4400 and 3800 cal BP. Global isostatic models also report a mid-Holocene transgression (Clark et al., 1978). Ramsay (1995) estimated the mid-Holocene sea-level rise to have reached a maximum of 3.5 m above present sea-level. This marine transgression likely resulted in the deposition of the sandy unit identified by Cawthra et al. (2014) in the seismic survey at Swartvlei which was deposited during the mid-Holocene. The Groenvlei pollen record suggests that a marine phase occurred at the lake at around 7600 cal BP as indicated by increased *Chenopodiaceae* and *Restionaceae* (Martin, 1968). Completely marine conditions were found at Eilandvlei between 6400 and 4700 cal BP (Wüdsch et al., 2018), while at Swartvlei the marine phase is dated between 4500 and 3500 cal BP (Figure 18). The onset of marine conditions at Swartvlei may have been delayed by physical barriers such as the rigid seaward dune cordon that lies in the south-west part of the lake; the delay was induced by the time needed for the transgression to breach the unconsolidated dune between Groenvlei and Swartvlei that constrained the width of the estuary mouth. Figure 23 compares the sea-level reconstruction from this study with those from nearby areas, showing consistency in mid-Holocene sea-level with Ramsay (1995). The west coast record by Compton (2006) does not show a distinct sea-level rise during the mid-Holocene but indicates an increase between 7000 and 6000 cal BP while Baxter and Meadows (1999) recorded it earlier at Verlorenvlei around 8000 cal BP, with a further transgressive phase at 4000 cal BP. The differences in the timing of the manifestation of sea-level at the west coast and the south coast is probably due to local differences in lake and lagoon morphology.

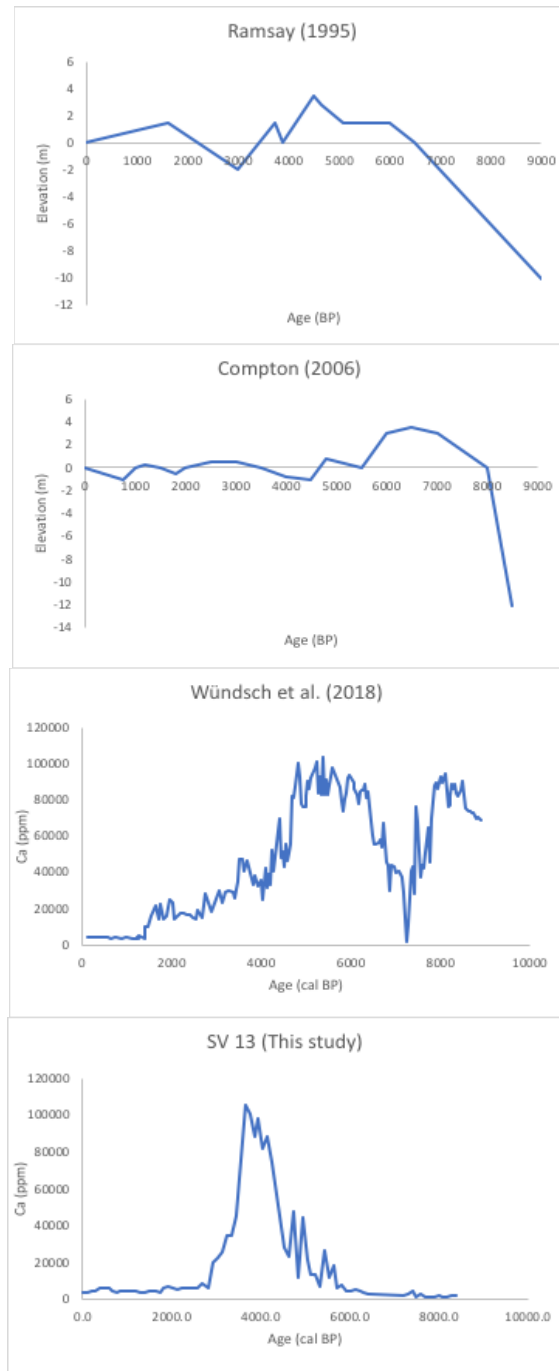


Figure 23: Comparison of Holocene Sea-level reconstruction for South Africa for the east coast (Ramsay, 1995), the west coast (Compton, 2006) and Ca concentrations at Eilandvlei (Wündsich et al., 2018) with this study

P concentrations in the lake sediments increased from 4200 cal BP, soon after the marine transgression, earlier than the other organic proxies. According to Liprot (1978), P concentrations in the Swartvlei estuary increased with increasing salinity and occurred in higher amounts closer to the seaward edge, signifying that sea-water contributes far more P than river water at Swartvlei modern sediments. Liprot (1978) further noted a high concentration of fine-grained sediments (<10 microns) in the areas where *Zostera capensis* grass grows. This suggests that macrophytes play a role in preserving the clay fraction in the lake. Therefore, the increase in the spread of emergent vegetation and terrestrial grasses around Swartvlei may explain the rise in the clay fraction in the sediment record after 3500 cal BP. *Ehrharta* and *Zostera* beds may act as sites for the sedimentation of P in the form of orthophosphate typically found adsorbed within clay-sized particles. Martin (1968) and Carr et al. (2006) proposed an elevation in the water table at Groenvlei due to higher sea-level after the marine phase, making a case for a second possible interpretation of elevated P levels, i.e. that they signify the intrusion of phosphate-rich groundwater into the lake.

Dune instability and increased aeolian activity took place in the Wilderness from about 3700 to 2400 cal BP (Bateman et al., 2011). It is proposed that the aeolian activity was driven by south-westerly winds which are dominant in the area even today, and transportation of sand through longshore drift (Whitfield et al., 1983), which possibly promoted sediment accretion that led to narrowing of the Swartvlei estuary mouth. Reconstructions by Whitfield et al. (2017) suggest that dune progradation occurred during this period on the section between Swartvlei estuary and Groenvlei (witnessed by the unconsolidated dune sediment) and led to their eventual separation. The idea of a constricted estuary mouth is supported by the low TIC and Ca concentrations in Unit B that indicate that the sea-water inflow was significantly reduced. Reduced sea-water inflow was also noted at Eilandvlei in reduced TIC, and lower abundances of ostracoda and marine diatoms as the lake took on a more strongly freshwater state (Kirsten et al., 2018). However, this process seems to have occurred earlier at Eilandvlei (shortly after 4700 cal BP) than at Swartvlei, which only became more lacustrine after 3500 cal BP. This delay in Swartvlei assuming a lagoonal state is likely due to its wider estuarine mouth that required more sediment to seal the mouth on Swartvlei's south eastern edge that then restricted sea-water incursions to the lake, as well as the robustness of the seaward dune on the south western margin of Swartvlei.

Whitfield et al. (1983) suggested that the estuary mouth was 2 km long at 6000 BP and by 4500 BP was 5km wide (Whitfield et al., 2017). This study suggests an estuary mouth that was >2 km and probably as wide as 5 km between 8600 and 7600 cal BP due to the high wave energy environment that breached the

southeastern dune barrier (Figure 24). While Swartvlei remained a marine inlet between 7600 and 4500 cal BP before the marine transgression, the estuary mouth did not widen further. Instead, the reduction in fluvial input during that time enhanced the marine influence at the site so that the deposition of marine sediments was maintained. Whitfield et al. (2017) have estimated the separation of Groenvlei and Swartvlei to have occurred between 4000 and 2000 BP and this study now provides a more precise estimate of the timing for Swartvlei assuming freshwater lacustrine status after the marine regression (3500 cal BP). Windier conditions after 3700 cal BP, as suggested Bateman et al. (2011), promoted vigorous dune building on the southeastern shore of Swartvlei adjacent to Groenvlei. After 3500 cal BP, the sea regressed and Swartvlei was converted into an estuarine lake with only limited sea-water entry. Low amplitude sea level fluctuations continued thereafter, as seen in other coastal lakes to the east, such as the Kariega Estuary where the amplitude of change was constrained within +/- 0.5m (Strachan et al., 2013). However, any sea-level changes after 3500 cal BP are not evident at Swartvlei as a result of the particular dune morphology (Whitfield et al., 2017). These changes in dune morphology and estuary mouth width in relation to sea-level are illustrated in a sketch on Figure 24 below.

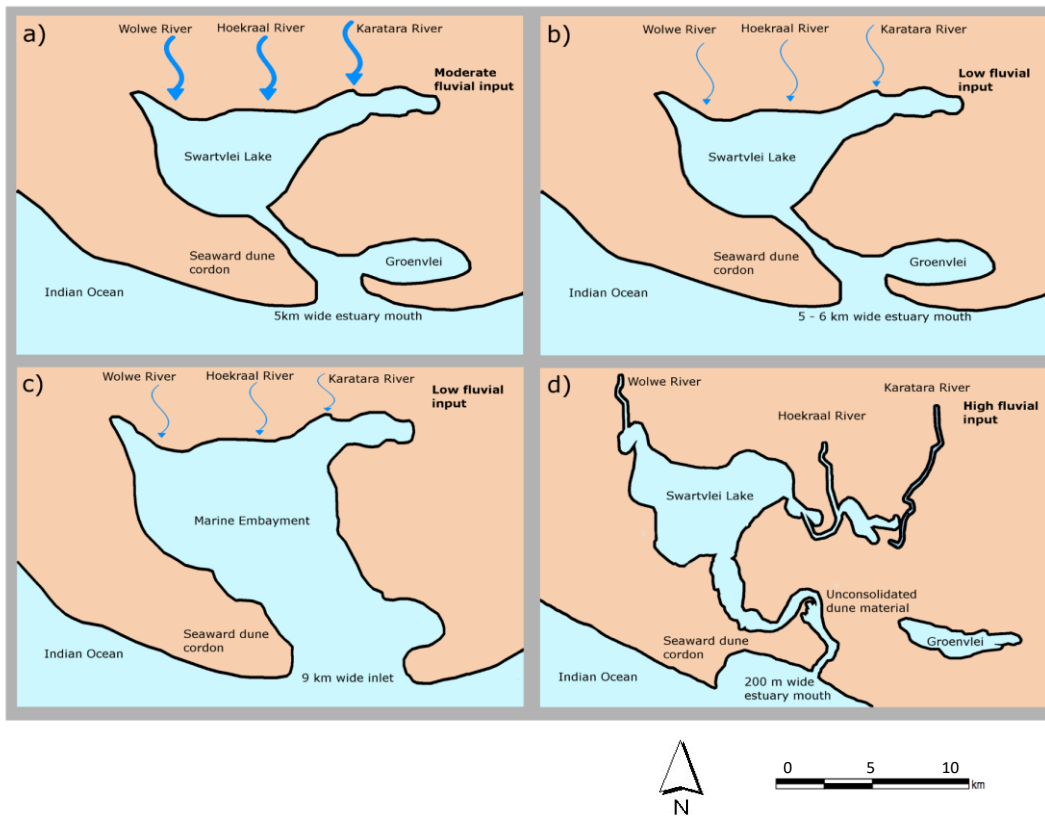


Figure 24: A sketch illustrating landscape modifications that took place at Swartvlei from 8600 to present relating to changes in the width of the estuary and timing of the separation between Swartvlei and Groenvlei a) 8600 to 7600 cal BP b) 7580 to 4500 cal BP c) 4500 to 3500 cal BP d) 3500 cal BP to present

6.1.3. Storm surge

The deposition of an event layer comprising very poorly sorted, coarse sand particles between 2580 and 2540 cal BP most likely results from an episodic in-wash of marine sand, probably during a storm surge (Figure 12). An increase in the degree of sorting and a decline in the skewness values in this layer reaffirm the introduction of marine sand in the lake during this period. The brief reappearance of marine influence after the transition into a freshwater lake was also noted by Kirsten (2018) at Eilandvlei at 3425 and 2900 cal BP indicating, even with lower sea levels, the situation remained dynamic and lake barriers were occasionally breached. A notable storm surge in the south coast occurred recently, in May 1992, due to strengthened westerly gale winds (speed $>130 \text{ km}\cdot\text{h}^{-1}$) that raised water levels in the Gamtoos Estuary by 1.15 m and resulted in the deposition of $30\,000 \text{ m}^3$ of sand erosion from the surrounding dunes (Zhang and Schumann, 1995). It is possible that this was the kind of storm event that occurred at Swartvlei between 2580 and 2540 cal BP.

6.2. Palaeoclimatic Changes inferred from Swartvlei

6.2.1. 8600 to 4500 cal BP

Seismographs from Cawthra (2018) indicate an incised river channel beneath the SV13 core site. Cawthra et al. (2014) postulated that numerous rivers flowed through Swartvlei valley into the ocean when the sea was located 100 km away from the current location during the last glacial maximum (LGM), as suggested in the palaeo-shoreline reconstructions of Bateman et al. (2011). During Pleistocene deglaciation, the shoreline moved landward and these pre-existing river channels were drowned by marine waters. River(s) continued flowing into Swartvlei at this time with alternating wet and dry phases indicated by the highly varied fine-grained silt percentages ranging between 3 and 76% between 8600 and 7580 cal BP that suggests erratic river inflow due to irregular runoff. The silt proportions are higher, hence suggest wet phases from 8070 cal BP to 7980 cal BP and 7680 cal BP to 7580 cal BP, with intervening drier phases. Furthermore, notable variation in the geochemical proxies (K, Fe, Al) observed in the sediment record during the same period were likely sourced from greater erosion of clay minerals from the granite rock underlying the Wolwe River catchment and transported during periods of increased precipitation. The existence of a more humid phase during this period is supported by the palynological record of Quick et

al. (2015), which indicates high productivity corresponding to greater moisture availability at Still Bay from 9000 to 6000 cal BP. On the other hand, Wüdsch et al. (2018) noted a period of reduced river discharge indicated by low concentrations of terrigenous elements such as Fe at Eilandvlei between 8900 and 7900 cal BP. The Groenvlei pollen record suggests dry climate conditions to have prevailed between 8000 and 7200 BP based on the spread of Asteraceae pollen due to lower rainfall, followed by moister conditions as the dry heath was replaced by mesic vegetation by 7000 BP driven by a westward shift of 60-100 km in the 400 mm isohyets (Martin, 1968). Although Swartvlei, Groenvlei, Eilandvlei and Still Bay all lie within the YRZ, these opposing palaeoenvironmental reconstructions of moisture may arise from local differences, indicate a particularly dynamic transitional phase, or are a result of dating imprecision.

Extremely low silt proportions (consistently <10%) in the upper part of Unit A from 7500 to 5000 cal BP, along with low TOC concentrations, indicate that the lake was receiving less runoff than before. Declines in concentrations of F, K, Al show reduced fluvial input, suggesting more arid conditions in the area. Stable isotope evidence from rock hyrax middens at Seweweekspoort (Chase et al., 2013) revealed the period between 7000 and 5000 cal BP to have been drier, while Quick et al. (2015) also found low productivity around this time based on evidence of lower organic matter preservation levels at Still Bay. The Eilandvlei pollen record, however, indicates humid conditions during this period based on the increase in Afrotemperate forest taxa (Quick et al., 2018). The dry conditions experienced during between 7500 and 5000 cal BP at Swartvlei, Seweweekspoort and Still Bay occurred concurrently with warmer temperatures as recorded at Cango Cave (Talma and Vogel, 1992). Moreover, the aridity was coupled with decreases in δD_{wax} values at Vankervelsvlei between 6800 and 4700 cal BP that suggest decreased evaporation at the peat during this time (Strobel et al., 2019). According to Cohen and Tyson (1995), the warm and dry conditions correspond with periods of lower SST's in the southern Cape, increased local upwelling and weaker westerly influence on the YRZ. The importance of westerlies in controlling southern cape precipitation has been established (Chase and Meadows, 2007), and as originally proposed by Tyson (1986), evidence from Seweweekspoort best illustrates how a southward displacement in the westerly storm track leads to arid conditions in the area (Chase et al., 2013), and reduced Antarctic sea ice extent as recorded in sea-salt concentrations by Fischer et al. (2007) and Wolff et al. (2010). The southward displacement of westerlies during the mid-Holocene therefore explains the aridity experienced at Swartvlei during this period and was also observed by Hahn et al. (2016) in a study of an off-shore marine core from the Agulhas Bank.

Palaeoenvironmental interpretations from geomorphological evidence in the Wilderness (Bateman et al., 2011) and recent studies by Chase and Quick (2018) highlight the importance of the Agulhas current as an additional system that influences southern Cape palaeoclimate. The carbonate-poor sediments on the sea-ward dune cordon are in part a result of increased deposition of terrigenous clastic sediment by fluvial processes on the landward side (Bateman et al., 2004), although riverine input is responsible for only 17.9% of the overall sediment supply in the southern cape (Dingle et al., 1987). Bateman et al. (2011) presented a second explanation for the dearth of carbonates; that it results from changes in the strength and position of the Benguela and Agulhas currents. These currents bring more nutrients and carbonate producing biota, which would influence carbonate content in the sediments deposited by the sea. The Agulhas current has indeed been suggested as a key vector of climate change for the coastal margin of the southern Cape by Chase and Quick (2018), whereby moisture transport by the current brings wetter conditions for the southern near-shore sites and the southern and central parts of the SRZ. The Agulhas current transports warm waters on the east coast and propagates moist air onshore (Jury et al., 1993), as such projects a tropical climate signal (Chase and Quick, 2018). Furthermore, under a wetter climate post the mid-Holocene marine transgression, increased evaporation was also inferred from δD_{wax} data at Vankervelsvlei after 4700 cal BP (Strobel et al., 2019). This wind-driven evaporation therefore supports Bateman et al.'s (2011) suggestion that the moister conditions and stronger southwesterlies assisted with dune building around the edges of Swartvlei during this period.

6.2.2. Flooding event from 5400 to 5350 cal BP

A flooding event possibly occurred at 5400 to 5350 cal BP where silt and clay percentages increased abruptly. The event coincides with a peak in TOC/TN and TOC/TS ratios, a minor peak in Fe/Al, and a decline in Ca and TIC at roughly the same depth. This shows that the fluvial input exceeded the marine input during this brief event. The cause of this flooding event cannot be explained using data from this study, however, the shift to less negative skewness values at the same depth indicates an enrichment in the fine grain component, which are likely sourced from the Wolwe river catchment that flows over the Cape Granite rock which mostly weathers into fine grains. The Wolwe River that flows over the Cape granite was found to carry a higher silt load than the other two river systems which increases during flooding events (Whitfield et al., 1983), and was therefore likely responsible for the increase in fines during the flooding event at 5400 cal BP. Severe floods in 1982 led to the delivery of silt-laden waters to Eilandvlei

from the Diuwe River (Weisser et al., 1992) and supports the suggestion of the Wolwe River transporting similar sediment content to Swartvlei.

6.2.3. 3500 cal BP to 1400 cal BP

The last 3500 cal BP have been relatively stable, characterized by higher moisture availability and significant reduction in sea-water ingress via the estuary mouth. In Unit B (3500 cal BP to present), the lithology indicates a change towards smaller mean grain size, while the statistical parameters indicate a shift to poorly sorted sediments which result from the deposition of variably sized particles carried through inland rivers. There is a shift in skewness to the less negative domain due to dominance of finer grains. Unit B contains dark brown clayey-silt, suggesting the reduced influence of wave-transported sediments and a generally quieter depositional environment within the lake. The greater silt fraction also suggests that a larger portion of the sediments is derived from the inland rivers during periods of increased regional moisture. Enrichment in the finer silt fraction in this unit may have occurred as a result of changes in the hydrodynamic conditions of the rivers including widening of the channel, extension of the tributaries and increased flow velocity due to increasing gradient of the river channels. Sedimentation rates increase from 0.08 cm yr^{-1} in the early Holocene to an average of 0.1 cm yr^{-1} as higher volumes of fluvial sediments were supplied after 3500 cal BP (Figure 11). Increased moisture after 3500 cal BP can be explained by variations in seasonal insolation in the southern Cape. According to Berger and Loutre (1991), summer insolation progressively increased after the mid-Holocene near 34°S . Higher summer insolation would lead to an increase in the SSTs on the Agulhas Bank and higher evaporation which could bring more rainfall to the area. SSTs on the Agulhas Bank were higher between 4000 and 2000 BP (Cohen and Tyson, 1995), and possibly afterwards and may have introduced higher rainfall at the site.

Changes in the minerogenic component result from variations in the transfer of terrestrial sediments sourced from eroded rocks exposed on the river catchment that collect in the lake basin. XRF data for sediments with large variations in organic matter require normalization with Al to overcome dilution effects as it is conservative element that is largely unaffected by biological and diagenic processes (Löwemark et al., 2011). Accordingly, Al has been used for normalization of Fe and Si XRF data in this study. Fe/Al ratios show an inverse relationship to the Si/Al ratios where the signal is low in Unit A and strong in Unit B. The high Fe/Al ratios since 3500 cal BP are taken as a proxy for terrigenous sediment input. Other geochemical proxies that exhibit higher values in this section, Ti, Rb, K and Mn, are strongly correlated, suggesting that they come from a common sedimentary environment. K is considered to be of detrital

origin because plants only contain it in trace concentrations when compared to clay minerals (López-Buendía et al., 1999). The Fe enrichment observed in the sediment record may be from weathered granite rock minerals such as the Fe-rich mica. The increase in these geochemical proxies therefore may be considered as a palaeoprecipitation indicator and, as a result, of river discharge. Fe is commonly interpreted as a detrital source influenced by increased moisture, for example Naeher et al. (2012), Kasper et al. (2012) and Wündsche et al. (2018). In all three papers, elevated Fe from terrigenous sediment is thought to indicate increased humidity. Figure 25 shows late Holocene moisture availability through a comparison of Fe data between Swartvlei and Eilandvlei, while Figure 26 compares other proxy data from Swartvlei and other lakes in the surrounding areas. In addition, the increase in sedimentation rate upcore typically indicates an increase in the overall sediment input (Bennett and Buck, 2016). In this case, the increasing fluvial input contributed to an overall increase in the reconstructed sedimentation rates from lower values in the early and mid-Holocene. Pollen concentrations and charcoal assemblages at Norga Peat investigated by Scholtz (1986) showed that between 4000 and 2500 cal BP, Afromontane forest expansion occurred because of wetter conditions arising from increased summer rainfall. Further support for these results is from $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ records from Seweweekspoort which indicate a trend to significantly moister and warmer conditions in the late Holocene starting from 3500 cal BP (Chase et al., 2013).

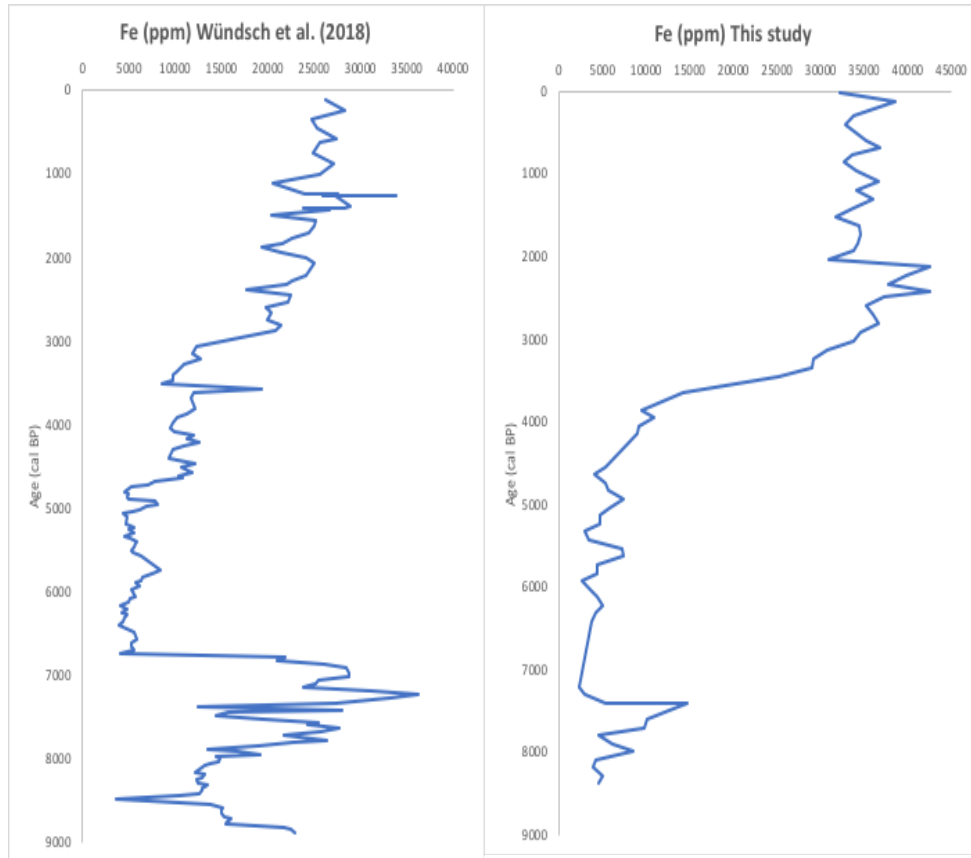


Figure 25: Comparison of Fe concentrations from Eilandvlei (Wüdsch et al., 2018) and Swartvlei, where Fe serves as a proxy for moisture. Eilandvlei had increased riverine inputs from 3000 cal BP while Swartvlei received greater precipitation (seen in high Fe concentrations) after 3500 cal BP.

The shift to higher TOC/TN ratios (from 11.2 to 14.6 in Unit B) after 3500 cal BP which, according to Lamb (2006) indicates the input of terrestrially derived carbon sourced from allochthonous vascular vegetation due to its high lignin and cellulose content. Organic matter (TOC, TN, TS) accumulates principally from two sources, viz. aquatic productivity within the lake of photosynthetic macrophytes and algae, and from the in-wash of organic matter from the catchment area. A wetter climate can be inferred from the increase in terrestrial organic matter, as it points to increase in vegetation cover which also corresponds to a decrease in windblown sand due to dune stabilisation.

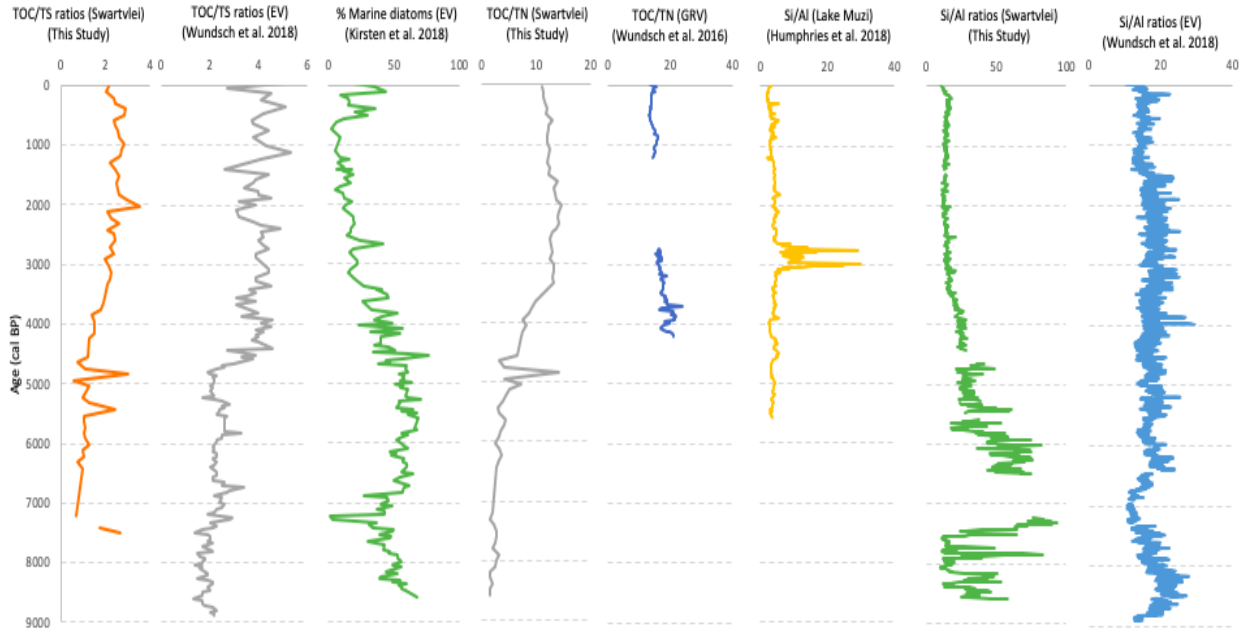


Figure 26: Composite plot of Swartvlei data for TOC/TS, TOC/TN and Si/Al in comparison with data from Eilandvlei, Groenvlei and Lake Muzi

The high water content in Unit B of 40-80% (Figure 14) suggests greater organic content in this lithological unit. Sediments with high organic matter or water content exhibit diamagnetism, which is seen through weak magnetic susceptibility values (Dearing, 1999). The low magnetic susceptibility values due to a diamagnetic effect in the latter part of SV13 are indicative of the dominant organic matter (Dearing, 1999; Dankoub et al., 2012). Other minerals that produce a diamagnetic signal include quartz (wind-blown from sand dunes and erosion of surrounding sandstone), feldspars (erosion of Cape granite), calcium carbonate (biogenic and clastic formation in marine environment) which are also deposited at Swartvlei during this time in large amounts through fluvial, marine and possibly aeolian transport mechanisms.

As in Wüdsch et al. (2018), this study used TOC/S linear regression models to reconstruct the degree of euxinic conditions at Swartvlei. The equation for the linear regression model for S and TOC for Unit B is = $0.23 \cdot \text{TOC} + 1.36$ ($n = 35$; $r = 0.694$; $r^2 = 0.482$) (Figure 27). The slope for this model is less than that of marine waters but greater than the slope for euxinic conditions observed at the Black Sea by Berner (1984) of $0.1 \cdot \text{TOC} + 0.9$. Although both sedimentary units have semi-euxinic conditions, organic matter in Unit B was deposited in more euxinic conditions than Unit A which has a linear regression equation = $0.49 \cdot \text{TOC} + 0.09$ ($n = 30$; $r = 0.935$; $r^2 = 0.873$). Freshwater from the rivers is less dense than sea-water due to its lower salinity and therefore accumulates at the surface before flowing into the estuary (Russell, 2016). A stronger freshwater influence arose after the mid-Holocene environmental changes that reduced sea-

water ingress to Swartvlei, possibly driven by weakened southwesterly winds which led to less turbulence, reduced mixing of the bottom deoxygenated waters with the surface water and creation of anoxic conditions at the base of the lake and an enhanced production of H₂S (Howard-Williams and Allanson, 1984). Furthermore, Berner and Raiswell (1984) recommended the use of TOC/S ratios as helpful indicators for paleosalinity, where marine sediments have low values (0.5-5) and freshwater sediments have high values (>10). The Swartvlei TOC/S ratios are well below 5 (specifically, they lie between 0.59 and 3.53) (Figure 16), and therefore indicative of a mix of marine and freshwater sediments into the lake, with a shift to a stronger freshwater influence in the late Holocene. The TOC/S ratios indeed reveal higher values in Unit B, indicating the increased contribution of freshwater derived sediments to the lake from 3500 cal BP.

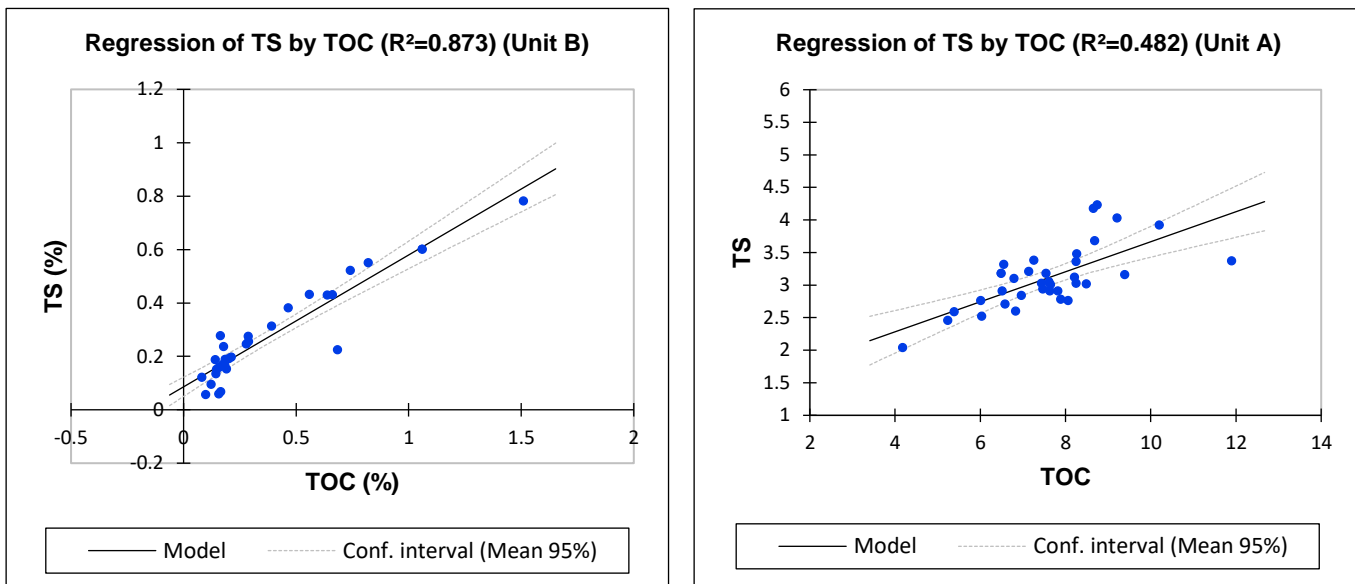


Figure 27: Regression cross plots showing the correlation of TS and TOC. The graph shows the semi-euxinic conditions that occurred at Swartvlei from (3500 cal BP to present).

The period 1800 to 1400 cal BP is characterised by relatively arid conditions as evidenced by the decrease in silt and lower TOC, TN and TS. The decrease in both fluvial and marine inputs at the lake may be interpreted as a decrease in the overall lake water levels resulting from regional aridity, since this period coincides with periods of decreased lake water levels at Eilandvlei based on diatoms (Kirsten et al., 2018) and the configuration of Groenvlei into a coastal lake as it became isolated from the sea (Martin, 1968; Wüdsch et al., 2018).

6.2.4. 1400 cal BP to present

The high BiSi quantities from 1400 cal BP through to the present are indicative of increased lake productivity as BiSi can be used as a proxy for diatom abundance and productivity (Ragueneau et al., 1996). The notable decline in BiSi concentrations during the Medieval Climate Anomaly (MCA) (950 to 750 cal BP; Lüning et al., 2018) suggest reduced lake productivity or a stronger dilution by the allochthonous lithoclastics during this period (Ohlendorf and Stern, 2008). However, slight decreases are observed in the terrigenous sediment flux (K and Al) and the average silt proportions, suggesting a reduction in riverine input. Therefore, the Swartvlei record indicates climate conditions that were not conducive to the productivity or preservation of diatoms during the MCA. Hahn et al. (2017) found drier conditions to have prevailed in the WRZ during the MCA due to a reduction in the Atlantic westerlies, which possibly led to Swartvlei's aridity during this time. However, it was noted to be more humid than present at Groenvlei from 1200 cal BP until the present due to stronger influence of summer rainfall (Martin, 1968; Wündsche et al., 2016) even though the two systems are found within 3 km of one another and it is unclear from this data why these micro-climatic differences occurred. A finer resolution study of the palaeoecological record at Groenvlei could explain this climate reconstruction during the MCA. The dry conditions in the WRZ were contrasted by wetter conditions that prevailed in the rest of the country due to intensification of the easterlies (Lüning et al., 2018). One possible explanation for the differences is that Groenvlei could have benefited from moisture sourced from the easterlies as it lies to the east of Swartvlei, but this would need to be tested with more data.

High BiSi concentrations maintained during the Little Ice Age (LIA) between 680 and 300 cal BP indicate increased productivity in the lake. There was a corresponding increase in silt deposition from 700 to 500 cal BP followed by a decrease until 300 cal BP indicating that fluvial input was varied; high in the first half of the LIA and low in the latter part. A similar pattern is observed in TOC and TN concentrations as well as molar TOC/TN ratios with the decrease starting at 490 cal BP. Lake productivity therefore probably responded to a change in the temperature regime. Cooler conditions were recorded at Groenvlei during the LIA (Wündsche et al., 2016). Holocene vegetation changes observed by Zhao et al. (2016) suggested a cool LIA (700 – 200 cal BP) in both WRZ and SRZ, with significantly more precipitation in the WRZ while the SRZ was relatively dry.

In addition, enhanced sedimentation rates that peak in the top 19 cm (150 cal BP) of the SV record, possibly occurred due to accelerated soil erosion from anthropogenic activities such as farming and logging. Reinwarth et al. (2013) gave an account of anthropogenic activity at Eilandvlei using geochemical analyses on the lake sediments and showed that the arrival of Europeans since the late 19th century had fundamental changes on the southern Cape landscape.

Chapter 7: Conclusion

This study provides unique geochemical insights into the palaeoenvironmental changes within the year-round rainfall zone of South Africa. Swartvlei has been a great receptor of dynamic environmental changes during the Holocene that were documented by multiple proxies and thus helped to achieve the main aim of this study. The first objective of the study was achieved through the high-resolution radiocarbon and OSL dating that provided a reliable chronology against which the Holocene climatic and environmental changes could be interpreted. Si/Al ratios, magnetic susceptibility and particle size data indicate a shallow, aeolian dominated system from 8600 to 4500 cal BP, along with an arid climate during the mid-Holocene driven by the equatorward migration of the westerly storm track. While the initiation of a coastal lake with stronger marine signals occurred from 6100 cal BP, Ca, TIC data and accumulations of shell fragments suggest that Swartvlei was a marine embayment from 4500 to 3500 cal BP. Grain size data reveal that marine regression and barrier accretion after 3500 cal BP limited sea-water inflow and promoted the evolution of the lake into lacustrine conditions. A shift in molar TOC/TN ratios shows that the climate became significantly moister as freshwater inputs increased after 3500 cal BP, supported by higher Fe/Al ratios and deposition of fine fluvial sediments. Minor changes in particle size and biogenic silica data indicate humid conditions during the late Holocene linked with an intensified easterly flow. High sedimentation rates in the last 150 cal BP appear to have resulted from the interplay of natural and anthropogenic activity and these need to be investigated further in order to manage the recreational use of the lake and to monitor activity on the catchment. Integrated coastal management strategies can be developed with an improved understanding of variations in sea-water and freshwater inputs that can manifest in storm surges, flooding events and drought. Understanding of Wilderness lake systems over long-term periods is also critical to assessing current and future stressors on the system, and for ecological conservation.

The Swartvlei record has further proved to be a vital tool in understanding the evolution of Swartvlei and Groenvlei as indicates a more precise timing of separation of the two lakes. Comparison with nearby lakes indicates that the findings of this study are consistent with those from earlier studies, highlighting that coastal regions are fundamental in understanding long-term hydrological changes. The detailed geochemical and particle size analyses have thus helped to achieve the second and third objectives of this study as the landscape and palaeoclimatic changes in the region have been successfully elucidated and compared with those from the region. Future research conducted using palaeoecological proxies such as pollen and diatoms would help to enhance the reconstruction of regional palaeoclimatic changes.

Furthermore, an exploration into the evolution of the nearby Rondevlei would help to reveal the dynamics on the northwestern end of Swartvlei and add to the broader understanding of Wilderness Lakes during the Holocene.

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Core description

Core ID¹: SV13-7 (1.5-3.5m) A
 Water depth: 19
 Opening date: 18.09.2017
 Examiner: Lillian Maboya / Torsten Habertzell
 Core type: Piston
 Fotos: Digi
 Multisensor: Suszi
 Remarks: 99.8cm length

Example: BAL 01/1-1
 Lake code Year Core No Section No

Lake: Swartvlei

Description guidelines

- Sediment class** Clastic, chemical or biogenic.
- Grain size** gravel (>2mm), sand (2mm-63µm), silt (63-2µm), clay (<2µm). Modifiers: fine, middle and coarse or eg. sandy silt etc.
- Color** eg. brownish grey (=main color is grey).
- Structure** e.g. laminated, homogenous, bioturbated, etc.
- Organics** e.g. terrestrial plant remains, diatoms, ostracods, etc.
- Additions** e.g. high water, or organic content consolidated, well rounded grains, Type of minerals (e.g. carbonate, feldspar, quartz, mica).

Example: 12-25cm: Clastic sandy silt, brownish grey, laminated, with terrestrial plant remains. Organic content increases towards top of the section, Sand grains=mainly quartz.

Smear/Slide No. Sample No. Sediment Depth (cm)	Sketch	Description	
2		- Dark brown clayey silt (homogenous) (A)	
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			- light brown layer surrounded by fine shell fragments
			- dark brown clayey silt similar to A

Smear/Slide No. Sample No. Sediment Depth (cm)	Sketch	Description
62		C-hole crack 60.5cm - wood? sample removed
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		- sharp transition into grey sand with shell fragments
		- grey sand with shell fragments
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Core description

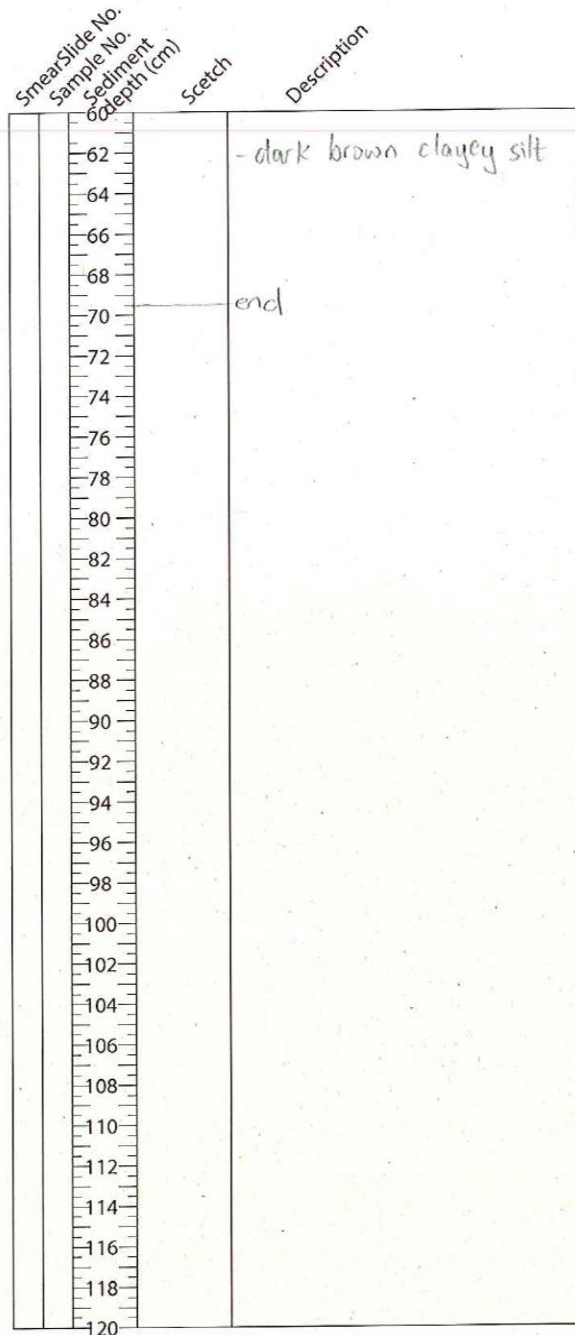
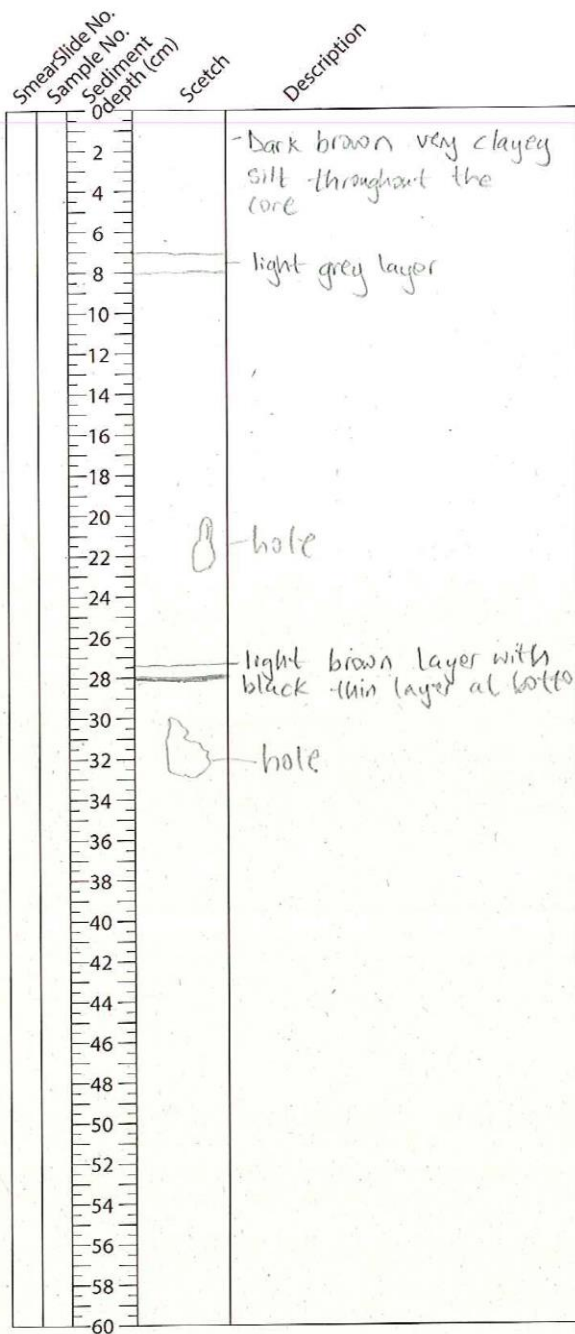
Core ID: SV13-7 (1.5-3.5m) B
 Water depth: 19
 Opening date: 18.09.2017
 Examiner: Lillian Maboya / Torsten Haberzettl
 Core type: Piston
 Fotos: Digi
 Multisensor: Suszi
 Remarks: -69.5cm length

Example: RAL 01/1
 Lake code Year Core No Section No

Lake: Swartvlei

Description guidelines

- Sediment class** Clastic, chemical or biogenic.
 - Grain size** gravel (>2mm), sand (2mm-63µm), silt (63-2µm), clay (<2µm). Modifiers: fine, middle and coarse or eg. sandy silt etc.
 - Color** eg. brownish grey (=main color is grey).
 - Structure** e.g. laminated, homogenous, bioturbated, etc.
 - Organics** e.g. terrestrial plant remains, diatoms, ostracods, etc.
 - Additions** e.g. high water, or organic content consolidated, well rounded grains, Type of minerals (e.g. carbonate, feldspar, quartz, mica).
- Example:** 12-25cm: Clastic sandy silt, brownish grey, laminated, with terrestrial plant remains. Organic content increases towards top of the section, Sand grains=mainly quartz.



Core description

Core ID¹: SV13-5 (0-2m) B
 Water depth: 20
 Opening date: 18.09.2017
 Examiner: Lillian Maboya / Torsten Haberzettl
 Core type: Piston
 Fotos: Digi
 Multisensor: Suszi
 Remarks: 90cm length
 - high water content
 - unconsolidated

Example: BAU 01/1-1
 Lake code Year Core No Section No

Lake: Swartvlei

Description guidelines

1. **Sediment class** Clastic, chemical or biogenic.
 2. **Grain size** gravel (>2mm), sand (2mm-63µm), silt (63-2µm), clay (<2µm). Modifiers: fine, middle and coarse or eg. sandy silt etc.
 3. **Color** eg. brownish grey (=main color is grey).
 4. **Structure** e.g. laminated, homogenous, bioturbated, etc.
 5. **Organics** e.g. terrestrial plant remains, diatoms, ostracods, etc.
 6. **Additions** e.g. high water, or organic content consolidated, well rounded grains. Type of minerals (e.g. carbonate, feldspar, quartz, mica).
- Example:** 12-25cm: Clastic sandy silt, brownish grey, laminated, with terrestrial plant remains. Organic content increases towards top of the section, Sand grains=mainly quartz.

Smear/Slide No. Sample No. Sediment depth (cm)	Sketch	Description
2		dark brown fine clayey silt throughout the core
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Smear/Slide No. Sample No. Sediment depth (cm)	Sketch	Description
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end

Core description

Core ID: SV13-5 (0-2m)A
 Water depth: 20
 Opening date: 18.09.2017
 Examiner: Lillian Maboya / Torsten Haberzettl
 Core type: Piston
 Fotos: Digi
 Multisensor: Suszi
 Remarks: - 99.8cm length

Example: BGL 011-1
 Lake code Year Core No. Section No.

Lake: Swartvlei

Description guidelines

- Sediment class** Clastic, chemical or biogenic.
 - Grain size** gravel (>2mm), sand (2mm-63µm), silt (63-2µm), clay (<2µm). Modifiers: fine, middle and coarse or eg. sandy silt etc.
 - Color** eg. brownish grey (=main color is grey).
 - Structure** e.g. laminated, homogenous, bioturbated, etc.
 - Organics** e.g. terrestrial plant remains, diatoms, ostracods, etc.
 - Additions** e.g. high water, or organic content consolidated, well rounded grains, Type of minerals (e.g. carbonate, feldspar, quartz, mica).
- Example:** 12-25cm: Clastic sandy silt, brownish grey, laminated, with terrestrial plant remains. Organic content increases towards top of the section, Sand grains=mainly quartz.

Smear/Slide No. Sample No. Sediment depth (cm)	Sketch	Description
2		Dark brown fine clayey silt throughout the core
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18		hole
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22	o	
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40		thin 'streak-like' light brown layer
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54		thin 'streak-like' light brown to grey layer
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Smear/Slide No. Sample No. Sediment depth (cm)	Sketch	Description
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78		thin light brown 'streak' like layer
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86		light brown fine clayey silt with black layer at the bottom
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100		99.8cm length
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Core description

Core ID: SV13-5 (2-3 m)
 Water depth: 20
 Opening date: 18.09.2017
 Examiner: Lillian Maboya / Torsten Haberzettl
 Core type: Piston
 Fotos: Digi
 Multisensor: Suszi
 Remarks: - 131cm length
 - slightly consolidated

Lake: Swartvlei

Description guidelines

- Sediment class** Clastic, chemical or biogenic.
 - Grain size** gravel (>2mm), sand (2mm-63µm), silt (63-2µm), clay (<2µm). Modifiers: fine, middle and coarse or eg. sandy silt etc.
 - Color** eg. brownish grey (=main color is grey).
 - Structure** e.g. laminated, homogenous, bioturbated, etc.
 - Organics** e.g. terrestrial plant remains, diatoms, ostracods, etc.
 - Additions** e.g. high water, or organic content consolidated, well rounded grains, Type of minerals (e.g. carbonate, feldspar, quartz, mica).
- Example:** 12-25cm: Clastic sandy silt, brownish grey, laminated, with terrestrial plant remains. Organic content increases towards top of the section, Sand grains=mainly quartz.

- bottom part is missing because malfunction of core-catcher - bivalve samples @

Smear/Slide No. / Sample No. / Sediment depth (cm)	Sketch	Description
2		crack
4		dark brown silty clay (homogenous) (A)
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Smear/Slide No. / Sample No. / Sediment depth (cm)	Sketch	Description
62		crack
64		light brown transition zone?
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74		- more shell fragments in this section
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78		- dark brown, very fine silty clay, darker than A
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90		@ - small gastropod
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110		light grey transition zone
112		bright grey sand, lighter than B
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116		- grey sand with more shell fragments (B)
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Core description

Core ID¹: SV13-6 (4-6m) A
 Water depth:
 Opening date: 13.09.2017
 Examiner: Lillian Maboya / Torsten Haberzettl
 Core type: Piston
 Fotos: Digi
 Multisensor: Suszi
 Remarks: 99.5cm length
 - large fossils removed

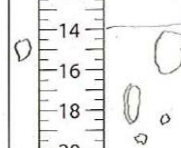
Example: 6ø 01/1 1
 Lake code Year Core No. Section No.


Lake: Swartvlei

Description guidelines

1. Sediment class: Clastic, chemical or biogenic.
2. Grain size: gravel (>2mm), sand (2mm-63µm), silt (63-2µm), clay (<2µm). Modifiers: fine, middle and coarse or eg. sandy silt etc.
3. Color: eg. brownish grey (=main color is grey).
4. Structure: e.g. laminated, homogenous, bloturbated, etc.
5. Organics: e.g. terrestrial plant remains, diatoms, ostracods, etc.
6. Additions: e.g. high water, or organic content consolidated, well rounded grains. Type of minerals (e.g. carbonate, feldspar, quartz, mica).

Example: 12-25cm: Clastic sandy silt, brownish grey, laminated, with terrestrial plant remains. Organic content increases towards top of the section, Sand grains=mainly quartz.

Smear/Slide No. Sample No. Sediment Depth (cm)	Sketch	Description
2		- grey sand throughout the core - shell debris scattered with more shells towards the top half
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12		- large fragments of what appears to be oyster shells.
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Smear/Slide No. Sample No. Sediment Depth (cm)	Sketch	Description
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74		slightly dark grey material
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80		- lighter shade of grey towards the bottom
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100		99.5cm
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Core description

Core ID¹: SV13-6 (2-4m) A
 Water depth:
 Opening date: 13.09.2017
 Examiner: Lillian Maboya / Torsten Haberzettl
 Core type: Piston
 Fotos: Digi
 Multisensor: Suszi
 Remarks: 97.5cm length
 - sediment compression

Example: BAL 01/1-1
 Lake code Year Core No Section No

Lake: Swartvlei

Description guidelines

- Sediment class** Clastic, chemical or biogenic.
 - Grain size** gravel (>2mm), sand (2mm-63µm), silt (63-2µm), clay (<2µm). Modifiers: fine, middle and coarse or eg. sandy silt etc.
 - Color** eg. brownish grey (=main color is grey).
 - Structure** e.g. laminated, homogenous, bioturbated, etc.
 - Organics** e.g. terrestrial plant remains, diatoms, ostracods, etc.
 - Additions** e.g. high water, or organic content consolidated, well rounded grains, Type of minerals (e.g. carbonate, feldspar, quartz, mica).
- Example:** 12-25cm: Clastic sandy silt, brownish grey, laminated, with terrestrial plant remains. Organic content increases towards top of the section, Sand grains=mainly quartz.

Smear/Slide No. Sample No. Sediment Depth (cm)	Sketch	Description
0		
2		Dark grey ^{sandy} silt with high water content (A)
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8	○	complete bivalve
10		
12		
14		
16		
18		brown transition (B) zone
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24	■	lighter brown than B, compact layer
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28		light grey sandy material with frequent shell debris
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36		*possibly indicative of a marine phase
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Smear/Slide No. Sample No. Sediment Depth (cm)	Sketch	Description
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Core description

Core ID: SV13-6 (2-4m) B
 Water depth:
 Opening date: 13.09.2017
 Examiner: Lillian Maboya / Torsten Haberzettl
 Core type: Piston
 Fotos: Digi
 Multisensor: Suszi
 Remarks:

21 cm length
 - sediment compression occurred, leaving trapped air at top of sediment

Example: BAJ 01/1
 Lake code: Near Core (No Section No)

Smear Slide No. Sample No. Sediment Depth (cm)	Sketch	Description	
2		Dark grey clayey silt throughout the core	
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46	—		very thin light grey
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Lake: Swartvlei

Description guidelines

- Sediment class** Clastic, chemical or biogenic.
 - Grain size** gravel (>2mm), sand (2mm-63µm), silt (63-2µm), clay (<2µm). Modifiers: fine, middle and coarse or eg. sandy silt etc.
 - Color** eg. brownish grey (=main color is grey).
 - Structure** eg. laminated, homogenous, bioturbated, etc.
 - Organics** eg. terrestrial plant remains, diatoms, ostracods, etc.
 - Additions** eg. high water, or organic content consolidated, well rounded grains, Type of minerals (e.g. carbonate, feldspar, quartz, mica).
- Example:** 12-25cm: Clastic sandy silt, brownish grey, laminated, with terrestrial plant remains. Organic content increases towards top of the section, Sand grains—mainly quartz.

Smear Slide No. Sample No. Sediment Depth (cm)	Sketch	Description
62	...	light grey to brown layer shell debris, fine fragments, gold-ish colour. This increases towards the bottom of the core
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Core description

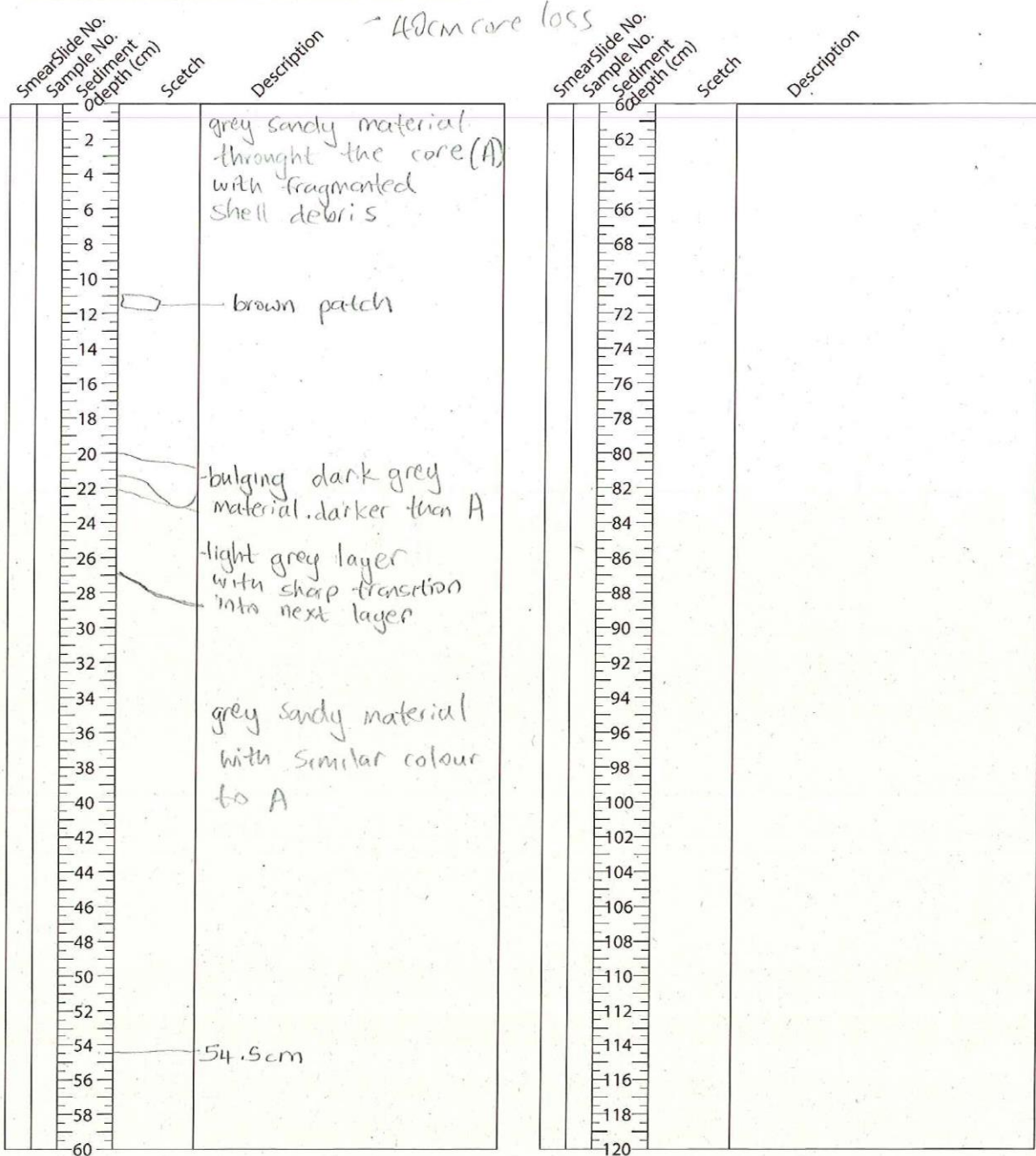
Core ID: SV13-6 (4-6m) B
 Water depth:
 Opening date: 13.09.2017
 Examiner: Lillian Maboya / Torsten Haberzettl
 Core type: Piston
 Fotos: Digi
 Multisensor: Suszi
 Remarks: 54.5cm length

Example: BA1 0711
 Lake code Year Core No Section No

Lake: Swartvlei

Description guidelines

1. **Sediment class** Clastic, chemical or biogenic.
 2. **Grain size** gravel (>2mm), sand (2mm-63µm), silt (63-2µm), clay (<2µm). Modifiers: fine, middle and coarse or eg. sandy silt etc.
 3. **Color** eg. brownish grey (=main color is grey).
 4. **Structure** eg. laminated, homogenous, bioturbated, etc.
 5. **Organics** eg. terrestrial plant remains, diatoms, ostracods, etc.
 6. **Additions** eg. high water, or organic content consolidated, well rounded grains, Type of minerals (eg. carbonate, feldspar, quartz, mica).
- Example:** 12-25cm: Clastic sandy silt, brownish grey, laminated, with terrestrial plant remains. Organic content increases towards top of the section, Sand grains=mainly quartz.



Core description

Core ID¹: SV13-6 (6-7.2m)
 Water depth:
 Opening date: 13.09.2017
 Examiner: Lillian Maboya / Torsten Haberzettl
 Core type: Piston
 Fotos: Digi
 Multisensor: Suszi
 Remarks: -113.5cm length
 -fossil removed from

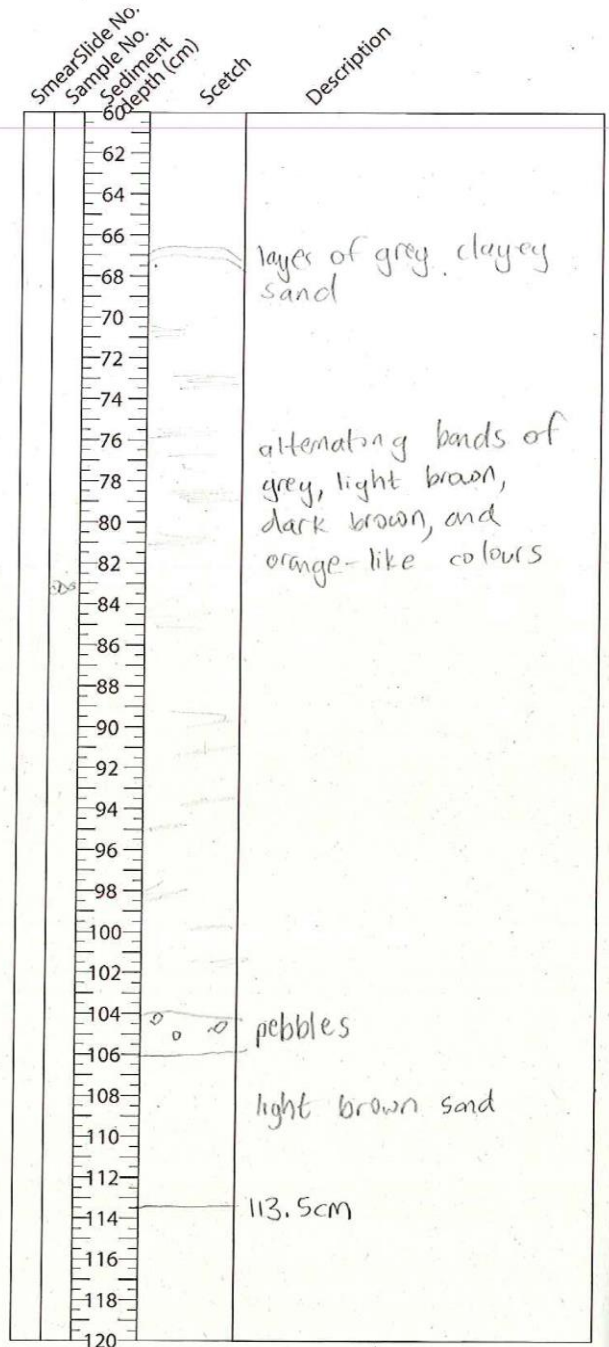
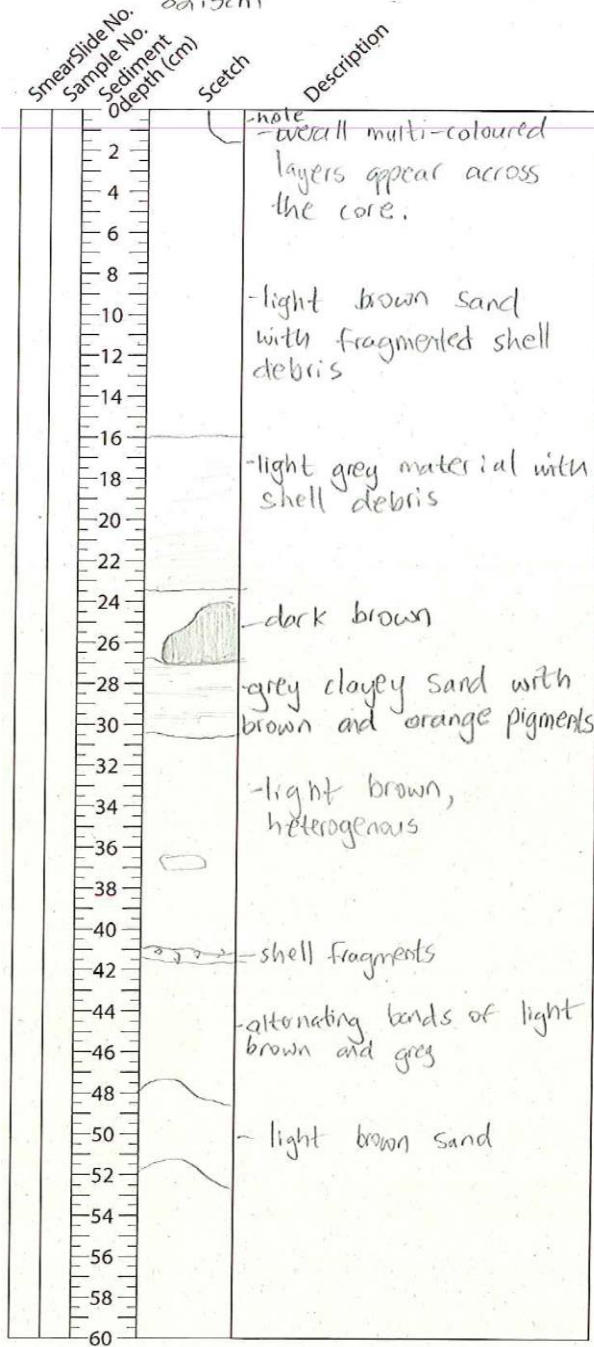
Example: BAL 01/1-1
 Lakecode Year Core No. Section No.

Lake: Swartvlei

Description guidelines

- Sediment class** Clastic, chemical or biogenic.
- Grain size** gravel (>2mm), sand (2mm-63µm), silt (63-2µm), clay (<2µm). Modifiers: fine, middle and coarse or eg. sandy silt etc.
- Color** eg. brownish grey (=main color is grey).
- Structure** e.g. laminated, homogenous, bioturbated, etc.
- Organics** e.g. terrestrial plant remains, diatoms, ostracods, etc.
- Additions** e.g. high water, or organic content consolidated, well rounded grains, Type of minerals (e.g. carbonate, feldspar, quartz, mica).

Example: 12-25cm: Clastic sandy silt, brownish grey, laminated, with terrestrial plant remains. Organic content increases towards top of the section, Sand grains=mainly quartz.



APPENDIX B

a) CNS data

Core name_depth	Composite Depth cm	14C ages cal BP	TN [%]	TC [%]	TOC [%]	TIC [%]	TS [%]
SV1_8	8	19.10	0.469	5.61	5.24	0.368	2.46
SV1_16	16	112.60	0.566	6.85	6.49	0.368	3.18
SV1_24	24	207.30	0.530	6.40	6.03	0.369	2.52
SV1_32	32	301.90	0.598	7.36	6.96	0.404	2.84
SV1_40	40	398.60	0.671	8.44	8.06	0.382	2.76
SV1_48	48	492.70	0.720	8.84	8.49	0.342	3.02
SV1_56	56	587.10	0.584	7.79	7.54	0.248	3.18
SV1_64	64	677.10	0.674	8.62	8.25	0.364	3.36
SV1_72	72	757.20	0.608	7.83	7.47	0.357	2.94
SV1_80	80	855.10	0.626	8.10	7.63	0.465	2.91
SV1_88	88	970.20	0.649	8.24	7.89	0.343	2.78
SV1_96	96	1079.80	0.659	8.46	8.25	0.207	3.03
SV1_104	104	1191.40	0.634	8.16	7.82	0.331	2.91
SV1_112	112	1300.70	0.561	7.07	6.79	0.276	3.10
SV1_120	120	1409.20	0.523	6.84	6.58	0.262	2.71
SV1_128	128	1520.80	0.551	7.17	6.83	0.341	2.60
SV1_136	136	1629.80	0.541	7.83	7.61	0.224	3.05
SV1_144	144	1734.30	0.580	8.01	7.65	0.366	3.01
SV7(1.5-3.5)B_13	152	1833.90	0.608	8.48	8.21	0.274	3.12
SV7(1.5-3.5)B_21	160	1927.30	0.680	9.71	9.39	0.323	3.16
SV7(1.5-3.5)B_29	168	2027.30	0.813	12.0	11.9	0.096	3.37
SV7(1.5-3.5)B_37	176	2128.60	0.611	8.87	8.74	0.137	4.23
SV7(1.5-3.5)B_45	184	2230.00	0.663	9.37	9.21	0.159	4.03
SV7(1.5-3.5)B_53	192	2327.20	0.711	10.3	10.2	0.136	3.92
SV7(1.5-3.5)B_61	200	2413.80	0.626	8.85	8.65	0.199	4.18

SV7(1.5-3.5)B_69	208	2489.50	0.664	9.03	8.68	0.345	3.68
SV7(1.5-3.5)A_8	216	2596.30	0.590	7.71	7.44	0.272	3.03
SV7(1.5-3.5)A_16	224	2702.90	0.560	7.47	7.14	0.327	3.21
SV7(1.5-3.5)A_24	232	2810.50	0.631	8.52	8.26	0.256	3.48
SV7(1.5-3.5)A_32	240	2919.40	0.524	7.34	6.55	0.790	3.32
SV7(1.5-3.5)A_40	248	3027.50	0.552	8.01	7.26	0.743	3.38
SV7(1.5-3.5)A_48	256	3134.80	0.486	7.38	6.51	0.874	2.91
SV7(1.5-3.5)A_56	264	3241.90	0.462	7.27	6.01	1.26	2.76
SV7(1.5-3.5)A_64	272	3344.20	0.409	6.56	5.39	1.17	2.59
SV7(1.5-3.5)A_72	280	3449.50	0.346	5.78	4.18	1.61	2.04
SV6(2-4)A_36	296	3650.30	0.153	5.12	1.51	3.60	0.782
SV6(2-4)A_44	304	3753.90	0.115	4.55	1.06	3.48	0.601
SV6(2-4)A_52	312	3853.20	0.0860	3.77	0.740	3.02	0.522
SV6(2-4)A_60	320	3954.00	0.0880	3.69	0.661	3.03	0.431
SV6(2-4)A_68	328	4052.70	0.101	4.24	0.820	3.42	0.551
SV6(2-4)A_76	336	4150.90	0.0850	3.32	0.639	2.68	0.429
SV6(2-4)A_84	344	4250.20	0.0780	3.45	0.559	2.89	0.432
SV6(2-4)A_92	368	4548.10	0.0710	2.95	0.465	2.49	0.381
SV6(4-6)B_1	376	4644.50	0.0540	1.09	<i>0.177</i>	0.912	0.236
SV6(4-6)B_9	384	4744.20	0.0450	0.925	<i>0.183</i>	0.742	0.166
SV6(4-6)B_17	392	4840.10	0.0480	1.80	0.684	1.12	0.225
SV6(4-6)B_25	400	4937.10	0.0400	0.541	<i>0.164</i>	0.377	0.277
SV6(4-6)B_33	408	5037.50	0.0540	1.84	0.391	1.44	0.313
SV6(4-6)B_41	416	5133.70	0.0540	0.929	0.278	0.651	0.246
SV6(4-6)B_49	424	5230.70	0.0410	0.591	<i>0.185</i>	0.406	0.188
SV6(4-6)A_3	432	5332.80	0.0480	0.570	<i>0.190</i>	0.380	0.152
SV6(4-6)A_11	440	5432.60	0.0550	0.310	<i>0.165</i>	0.145	0.068
SV6(4-6)A_19	448	5531.40	0.0440	0.967	<i>0.143</i>	0.824	0.135
SV6(4-6)A_27	456	5630.80	0.0650	0.627	0.287	0.340	0.275
SV6(4-6)A_35	464	5731.60	0.0700	0.891	0.289	0.602	0.256
SV6(4-6)A_43	472	5832.60	0.0520	0.326	<i>0.174</i>	0.152	0.169

SV6(4-6)A_51	480	5926.20	0.0670	0.482	0.212	0.270	0.197
SV6(4-6)A_59	488	6026.90	0.0510	0.253	0.122	0.131	0.0950
SV6(4-6)A_67	496	6122.20	0.0450	0.246	0.147	0.0988	0.151
SV6(4-6)A_75	504	6220.40	0.0540	0.335	0.201	0.134	0.191
SV6(4-6)A_83	512	6319.90	0.0440	0.260	0.141	0.119	0.187
SV6(4-6)A_91	520	6419.20	0.0570	0.263	0.158	0.105	0.159
SV6(4-6)A_99	584	7207.20	0.0420	0.138	0.0807	0.0573	0.121
SV6(6-7.2)_6	592	7305.40	0.0380	0.0640	0.0566	0.00743	
SV6(6-7.2)_14	600	7405.70	0.0450	0.135	0.0987	0.0363	0.0570
SV6(6-7.2)_22	608	7506.30	0.0580	0.275	0.157	0.118	0.0590
SV6(6-7.2)_30	616	7602.80	0.0530	0.109	0.147	-0.0379	
SV6(6-7.2)_38	624	7701.70	0.0570	0.160	0.135	0.0248	
SV6(6-7.2)_46	632	7802.50	0.0610	0.132	0.129	0.0031	
SV6(6-7.2)_54	640	7899.80	0.0460	0.0910	0.153	-0.0617	
SV6(6-7.2)_62	648	7996.10	0.0470	0.0780	0.129	-0.0507	
SV6(6-7.2)_70	656	8093.40	0.0640	0.252	0.164	0.0884	
SV6(6-7.2)_78	664	8190.20	0.0480	0.0770	0.0776	-0.00058	
SV6(6-7.2)_86	672	8288.30	0.0490	0.0780	0.0707	0.00733	
SV6(6-7.2)_94	680	8386.70	0.0580	0.128	0.123	0.00527	
SV6(6-7.2)_102	688	8484.00	0.0510	0.0980	0.0812	0.0168	
SV6(6-7.2)_110	696	8578.50	0.0450	0.0750	0.0674	0.00759	

b) ICP-OES data

Core Name	Composite Depth cm	14C ages cal BP	Al ppm	B ppm	Ba ppm	Ca ppm	Co ppm	Cr ppm	Cu ppm	Fe ppm	K ppm	Mg ppm	Mn ppm	Na ppm	Ni ppm	P ppm	Pb ppm	S ppm	Ti ppm
SV 13-1V	8	19.1	67930	56.6	163.6	3490	16.20	66.9	7.30	32150	10740	6430	966.40	17120	24.1	951	35.2	23431	324
SV 13-1V	16	112.6	57170	66.1	124.1	3860	15.20	63.4	6.53	38520	9200	7080	1405.00	20120	22.9	852	22.0	30599	357
SV 13-1V	24	207.3	51500	68.5	141.9	4280	11.82	66.0	8.11	36150	9740	6900	866.00	17190	22.9	1619	22.0	23760	534
SV 13-1V	32	301.9	48310	74.6	121.2	4440	9.62	64.6	7.81	33850	9030	7260	747.50	18780	22.0	1810	16.9	26398	637
SV 13-1V	40	398.6	50680	80.6	138.6	6300	8.05	67.0	9.21	32830	10270	8160	678.50	20020	21.1	2153	18.6	26421	438
SV 13-1V	56	587.1	52320	85.6	150.4	6370	11.15	64.2	7.61	35170	10940	7410	505.70	17560	21.9	1659	19.8	29350	327
SV 13-1V	64	677.1	50200	94.1	132.9	4120	7.99	66.7	8.22	36790	10160	7990	473.80	19340	22.3	2044	21.7	31184	319
SV 13-1V	72	757.2	54250	91.7	144.9	3730	11.05	66.9	8.05	33600	10710	7680	462.40	17790	21.6	1646	22.4	26695	411
SV 13-1V	80	855.1	56660	96.4	136.3	4160	11.38	66.9	8.28	32620	10820	8370	562.10	19260	20.2	2065	21.0	27107	348
SV 13-1V	88	970.2	57080	100.2	139.1	4030	9.70	68.6	9.60	34130	10770	8470	386.60	19900	19.8	2103	20.5	25803	380
SV 13-1V	96	1079.8	55830	100.6	128.7	4240	9.00	72.1	8.82	36580	10390	8470	352.90	19130	21.9	2299	19.1	27916	331
SV 13-1V	104	1191.4	55890	99.8	137.6	4380	8.86	74.0	10.27	34120	10990	8810	292.10	19580	23.3	2235	18.4	26233	443
SV 13-1V	112	1300.7	52410	94.6	132.7	3760	8.73	72.5	8.44	35950	10370	7780	272.00	15680	22.4	2035	19.3	27953	584
SV 13-1V	120	1409.2	58190	93.1	158.4	3900	8.56	79.1	10.27	33790	11840	8190	253.20	16270	26.7	1885	20.0	23977	507
SV 13-1V	128	1520.8	57650	95.1	153.0	4420	7.27	76.9	9.46	31700	11770	8650	251.40	16700	22.1	2213	21.6	22328	395
SV 13-1V	136	1629.8	58820	100.7	158.6	4050	9.86	70.0	9.94	34380	11740	8650	331.40	17170	22.1	1724	19.6	28004	422
SV 13-1V	144	1734.3	57520	100.4	141.5	3490	11.27	83.3	8.77	34540	10720	8210	453.10	16420	31.1	1866	22.7	26567	742
SV 13-7 (1.5-3.5) B	152	1833.9	58620	108.0	145.1	6060	8.15	70.3	9.32	34300	11070	8870	437.00	17210	21.4	2122	21.6	27712	654
SV 13-7 (1.5-3.5) B	160	1927.3	54700	107.2	134.6	6560	12.27	74.0	10.97	33770	10870	9290	576.40	19060	23.9	1940	19.6	28284	531
SV 13-7 (1.5-3.5) B	168	2027.3	49880	118.4	119.8	5970	12.24	61.9	9.02	30880	9570	8700	570.00	19380	19.8	1172	18.5	30165	403
SV 13-7 (1.5-3.5) B	176	2128.6	55000	101.2	144.8	5070	15.14	75.5	8.33	42450	11240	8260	756.70	16230	27.6	1186	21.0	37435	417
SV 13-7 (1.5-3.5) B	184	2230.0	52010	103.4	130.3	5850	13.05	64.3	7.63	39860	10530	8670	825.40	17530	17.6	1506	22.5	35208	440
SV 13-7 (1.5-3.5) B	192	2327.2	48820	115.5	119.3	5940	11.10	70.2	8.26	37790	9430	8500	584.80	17840	23.2	1534	22.3	35475	418

SV 13-7 (1.5-3.5) B	200	2413.8	50720	105.0	127.9	5790	13.03	87.4	8.42	42470	10340	8810	664.40	16780	32.9	1639	22.4	36799	422	2
SV 13-7 (1.5-3.5) B	208	2489.5	47350	107.4	124.6	6020	11.50	77.1	7.92	37260	10070	8870	492.40	17510	24.4	1833	18.8	32897	595	2
SV 13-7 (1.5-3.5) A	216	2596.3	49550	90.8	128.3	5780	11.25	73.9	8.68	35240	10450	8470	597.00	16450	22.2	1469	19.7	28009	584	2
SV 13-7 (1.5-3.5) A	224	2702.9	51470	87.1	143.5	8770	12.14	80.5	9.64	35980	11480	8670	627.70	17600	27.4	1661	20.8	29228	345	2
SV 13-7 (1.5-3.5) A	232	2810.5	50460	106.4	137.9	6220	11.00	77.7	9.53	36600	10910	8810	579.90	17620	25.2	1480	19.0	31522	488	2
SV 13-7 (1.5-3.5) A	240	2919.4	48750	91.0	149.7	20030	12.72	71.7	9.97	34650	12190	8420	721.00	17800	27.1	1233	21.0	29854	510	2
SV 13-7 (1.5-3.5) A	248	3027.5	46370	94.0	125.9	22600	9.78	71.5	8.45	33810	10280	8290	678.40	17720	25.6	1230	19.9	29877	316	2
SV 13-7 (1.5-3.5) A	256	3134.8	43770	87.1	127.0	25600	8.87	75.9	9.18	30720	9870	7840	588.30	16370	29.0	1035	17.7	26222	414	3
SV 13-7 (1.5-3.5) A	264	3241.9	41900	86.1	121.6	34680	7.83	70.6	8.11	29180	9760	7970	567.50	16650	25.9	1096	15.4	23883	393	3
SV 13-7 (1.5-3.5) A	272	3344.2	42390	78.6	124.5	34720	8.36	77.8	9.35	28960	9850	7660	510.70	14460	30.5	970	16.3	22750	449	3
SV 13-6 (2-4) A	288	3449.5	33780	62.4	114.4	45040	7.09	107.1	9.11	25190	8880	6930	438.50	12340	53.5	919		17912	499	3
SV 13-6 (2-4) A	296	3650.3	20190	37.0	95.9	1E+05	3.31	43.9	4.33	14200	6740	6510	151.30	5940	17.3	643		6642	505	3
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SV 13-6 (2-4) A	328	3954.0	12750	23.3	66.1	98410	3.62	72.5	3.57	10870	4390	5080	87.24	3770	39.0	514		4804	549	3
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SV 13-6 (2-4) A	344	4150.9	10080	17.0	54.9	88030	2.68	66.6	2.79	8980	3420	3810	68.22	3100	39.0	393		3951	445	3
SV 13-6 (2-4) A	352	4250.2	8970	14.5	49.6	74390	2.54	76.6	3.83	8060	3020	3330	62.27	2630	46.4	382		3411	363	3
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SV 13-6 (4-6) B	400	4840.1	6810	6.8	38.8	11910	1.98	73.0		5610	2170	1470	37.97	2120	46.2	95		2069	259	3
SV 13-6 (4-6) B	408	4937.1	8460	11.2	46.7	44320	2.45	101.2	2.80	7380	2840	2590	58.16	2290	62.1	225		2754	384	3
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SV 13-6 (4-6) A	448	5432.6	3680	2.3	26.3	26700	1.85	120.0		3450	1240	1290	36.34	1330	69.2	70	1032	199
SV 13-6 (4-6) A	456	5531.4	8370	7.2	44.5	11960	4.35	180.6	3.07	7260	2580	1680	50.66	1780	119.3	116	2476	272
SV 13-6 (4-6) A	464	5630.8	9340	9.0	46.3	18560	4.40	175.2	2.89	7380	2850	1930	56.46	2080	113.8	124	2265	307
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SV 13-6 (4-6) A	496	6026.9	4060	5.5	27.0	4260	2.11	89.9		3620	1290	750	28.93	1080	51.3	50	1161	221
SV 13-6 (4-6) A	504	6122.2	4980	8.2	30.7	5280	2.36	113.9		4480	1600	910	31.06	1340	74.7	65	1552	217
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SV 13-6 (4-6) A	520	6319.9	4740	6.1	30.4	3860	3.27	152.5	3.15	4220	1510	840	35.62	1220	102.1	54	1182	231
SV 13-6 (4-6) A	528	6419.2	4770	6.0	30.4	2960	1.55	72.8		3700	1510	780	33.21	1360	40.9	52	938	225
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SV 13-6 (6-7.2)	688	8288.3	7880	6.6	39.0	1710	3.60	153.5	2.15	5060	2170	900	40.46	1100	98.8	58		307
SV 13-6 (6-7.2)	696	8386.7	7190	6.4	37.2	1940	2.68	118.6	2.23	4610	1980	880	30.83	1210	77.1	59		254

c) XRF data

Depth (cm)	¹⁴ C age (cal BP)	Fe (counts)	Br (counts)	Rb (counts)	Sr (counts)	Zr (counts)	Al (counts)	Si (counts)	K (counts)	Ca (counts)	Ti (counts)
1	-54	63562	2338	1355	1132	2587	1161	13914	6118	3162	5828
2	-45.1	56844	1834	1498	1164	2755	1489	16742	7464	2860	6261
3	-36.1	53317	1787	1587	1234	2505	1653	17249	8355	2821	6527
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6	-5.6	56823	1875	1538	1168	2128	1403	15035	7211	3017	6243
7	7.1	58933	1681	1275	1205	2291	1314	15063	6755	2862	5828
8	19.1	63037	1690	1401	1156	2261	1188	14063	6022	2825	5824
9	30.6	61908	1960	1436	1131	2678	1193	13878	5826	3120	6190
10	40.7	53907	1890	1478	1158	2806	1040	12933	5428	2596	6011
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12	65.7	83406	1976	1411	1279	2355	1223	14974	5793	2982	6445
13	78.1	104925	1868	1385	1177	2537	922	11775	5214	3133	5870
14	89.6	90674	1789	1355	1445	2875	821	11789	5084	2956	5946
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16	112.6	86787	1862	1064	1325	1926	663	8765	4144	2962	4741
17	124.7	86681	1775	1161	1356	2494	731	9516	4956	2790	4977
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19	148.4	65203	1692	1227	1417	2613	787	12599	5778	2949	5141
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26	231.3	94877	1724	1429	1313	3188	515	8560	5617	2761	4914
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28	255.7	65997	1972	1402	1389	2717	527	8585	5562	3132	4871
29	267.5	67073	1817	1533	1396	2415	830	12336	6849	2819	5544
30	277.9	57405	2447	1498	1644	2787	777	12969	6518	3184	5092
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36	349.9	49154	2284	1209	1550	2383	595	10588	5360	3332	4361
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38	374.4	54597	2504	1264	1696	1963	662	10205	5265	3457	4268
39	386.8	64330	2331	1284	1510	2149	502	8638	5107	3490	4334
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44	446.6	58798	2599	1281	1669	2066	759	10311	5513	3612	4477
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47	481.1	51505	2653	1173	1585	1474	578	9217	5243	3685	4161
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59	621.6	55169	2515	1193	1532	2650	694	10687	5720	3250	4460
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