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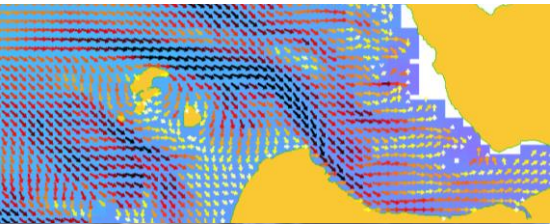
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German S-104/S-111 activities in project ImoNav

Oceanographic data for electronic navigation systems

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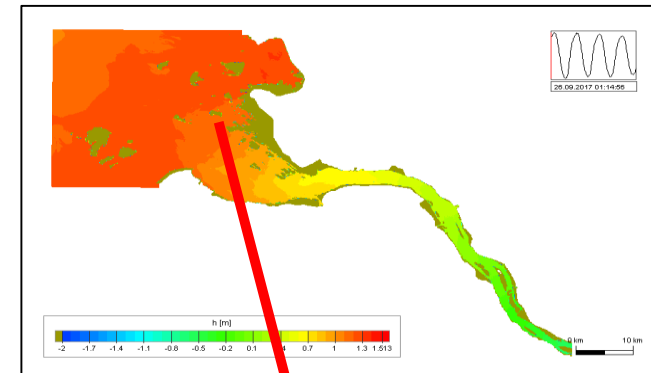
ImoNav - Integration of high resolution marine geodata into electronic navigation systems



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Main goal:

- Develop an innovative high resolution navigation service for marine water ways (e.g. Elbe, German Bight)
 - Produce high-resolution and high-quality water level, current and bathymetry data
 - Combine bathymetric data and (optimized) water level forecast
 - Deliver data according to IHO S-100 standards
 - Automate all processes and data fluxes
 - Portray the data in ENC's and ECDIS
 - Carry out pre-operational production



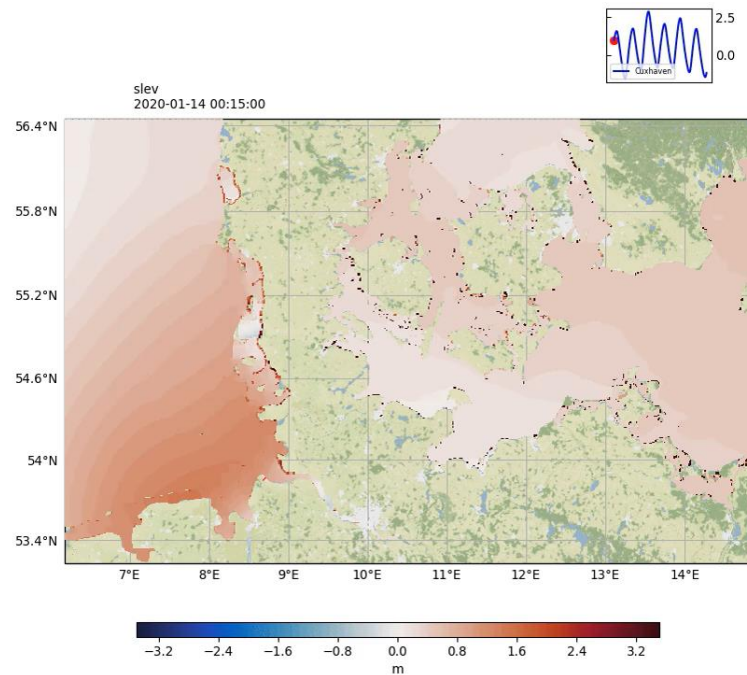
Provision of high-quality dynamic water level forecasts



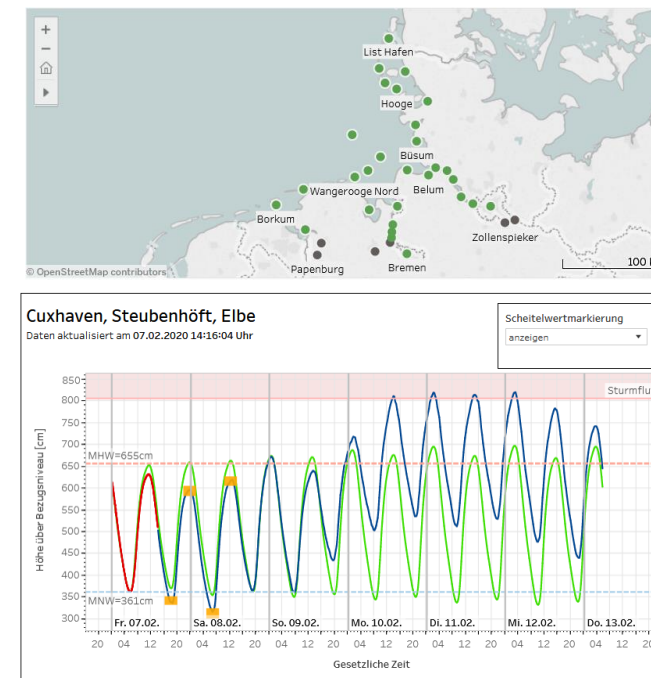
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Combination of two automated products for BSH water level forecast service

1. Forecast of numerical model (HBM): Continuous water level surface



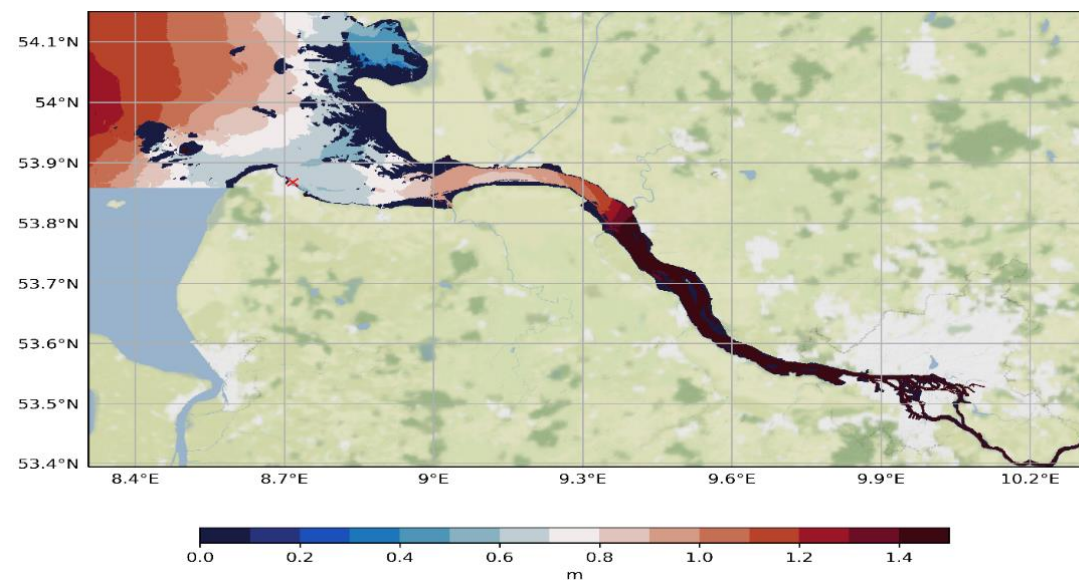
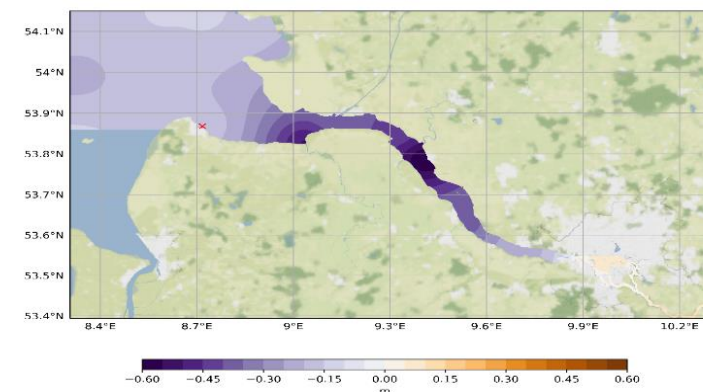
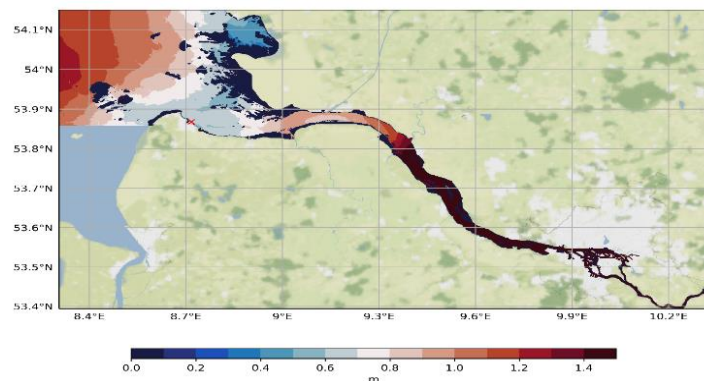
2. MOS (Model Output Statistics): Discrete results for some locations (statistically postprocessed model output)



Optimized 2D water level forecasts



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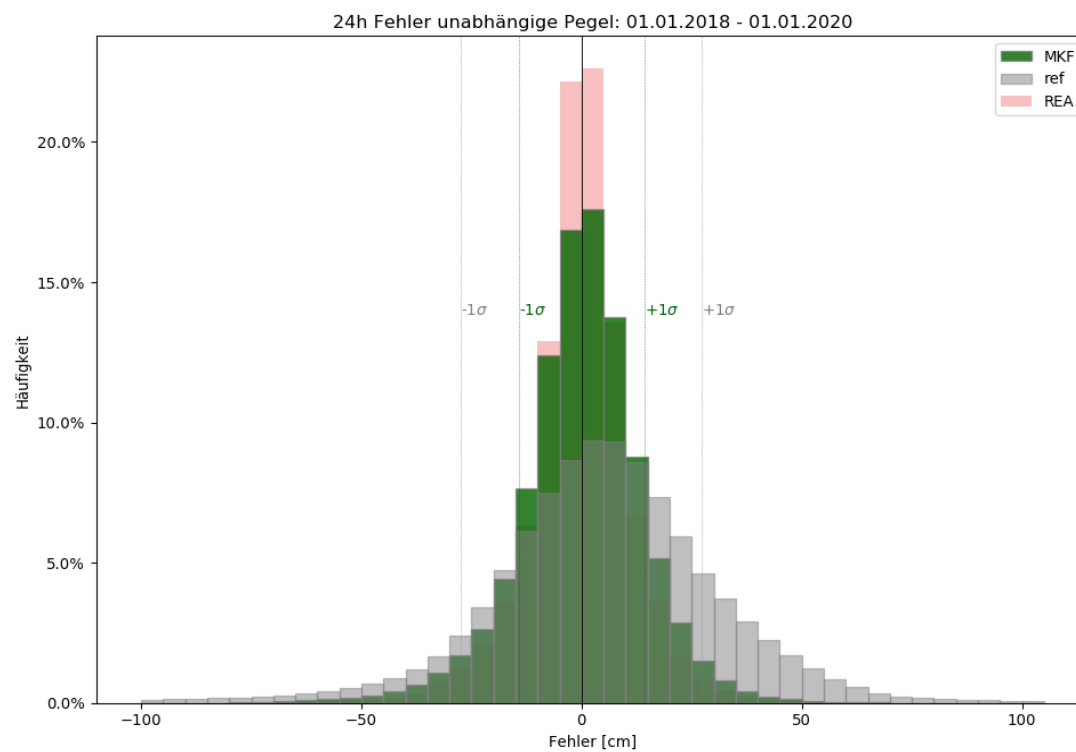
'corrected' new
water level surface

Method:

- Calculate 2D correction values
- Subtract these from numerical water level surface

Optimized 2D water level forecasts

The correction method shows a clear improvement of water level forecasts for the first 24 hours compared to the original numerical forecast (validation period: 2 years)



Statistics for independent tide gauges
(forecast lead time < 24 hours)

MKF = New forecast method

REF = Pure numerical forecast [reference run]

	Bias	cRMSE	5% Perzentil	95% Perzentil
REF	5.7 cm	24.4 cm	-36.5 cm	42.8 cm
MKF	2.8 cm	13.2 cm	-22.5 cm	19 cm

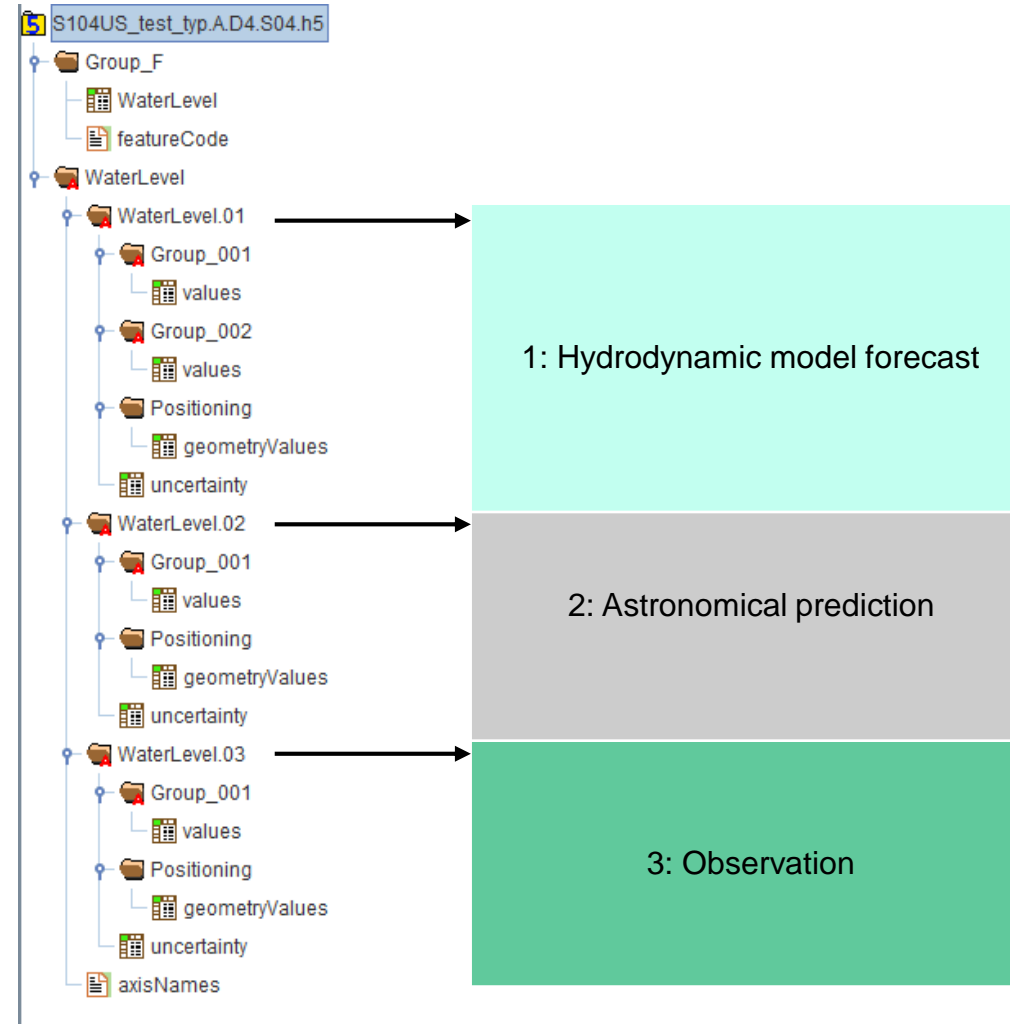
Provision of S-104 test data sets



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S-104 Encoding:

- German S-104 test data (HDF5)
 - time series data
 - Observation
 - Astronomical prediction
 - Model Forecast
 - based on PS Ed. 0.0.6 (Feb. 2020)



S-104 use cases and test data



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Use Case for German Bight and Elbe estuary

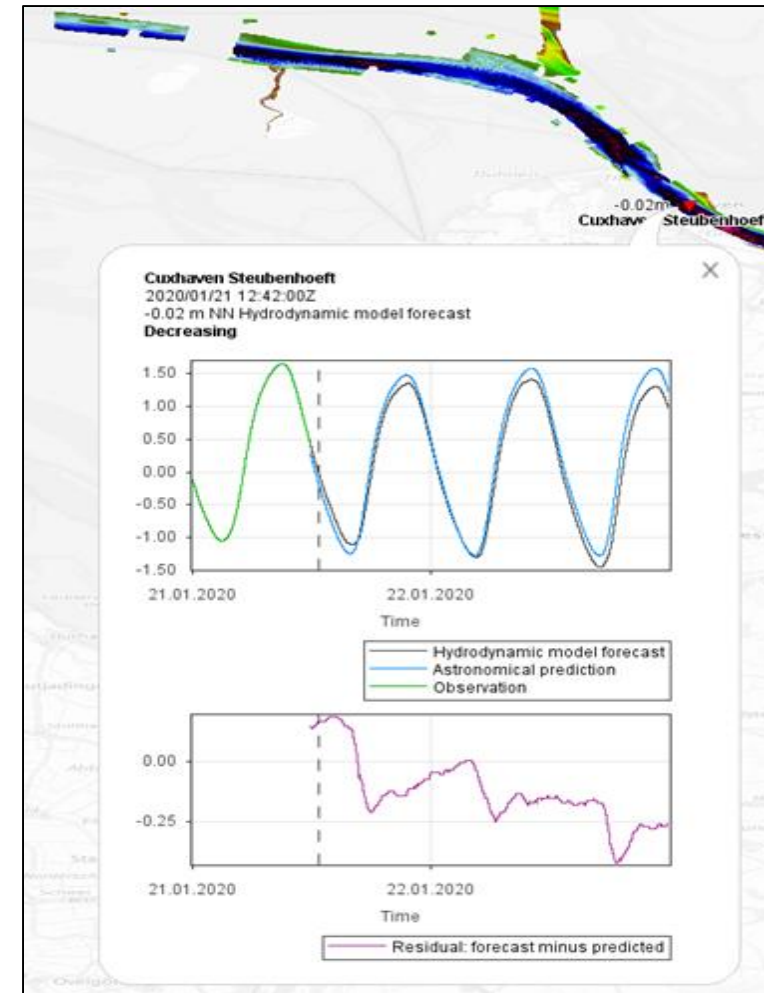
Optimized product for 2-dimensional water level forecasts:

- time series (S-104) and gridded model data (NetCDF)
- Forecast length: 48h
- Update: Every 15 minutes

Pre-operational test data sets available

Beta-Portrayal of continuously updated data via a Web-Map-Service in ImoNav viewer:

<http://imonavviewer.smileconsult.de/>



Pick report for
water level data

Provision of surface currents (S-111)

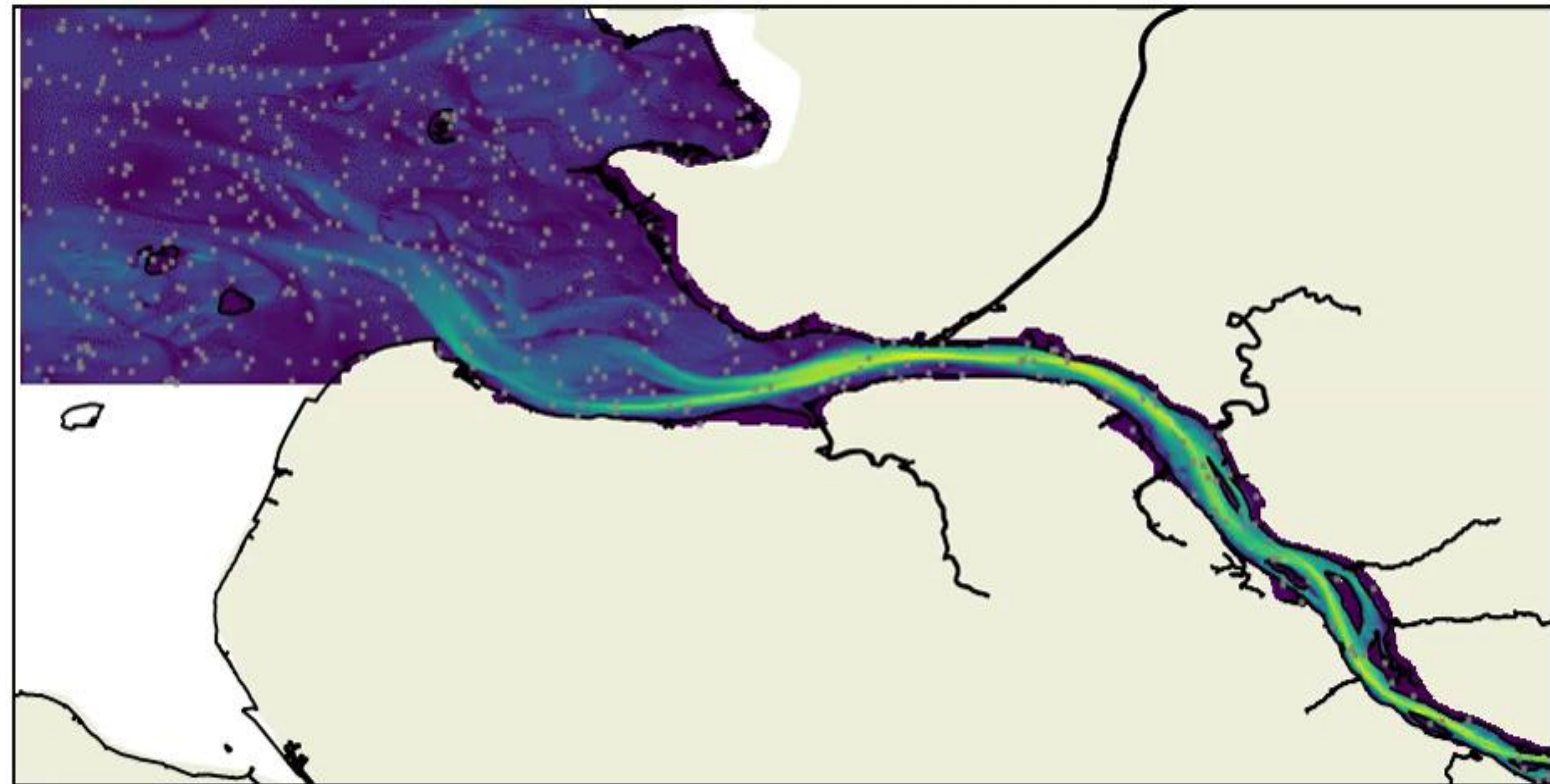


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Forecasts of operational circulation
models on three grids

- Elbe estuary [90 m]
- German coastal waters [900 m]
- North Sea and Baltic Sea [5 km]
- Forecast length: 48 h / 72h
- Update: Twice daily
- Automated conversion and provision of S-111 grided data sets

Example for currents
in Elbe test bed:
[90x90m]



Provision of S-111 test data sets



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▼ S111_BSH-Elbe_test.h5

▼ Group_F

SurfaceCurrent

featureCode

▼ SurfaceCurrent

▼ SurfaceCurrent.01

▼ Group_001

values

> Group_002

> Group_003

> Group_004

> Group_005

> Group_006

> Group_007

> Group_008

> Group_009

> Group_010

uncertainty

axisNames

S-111 Encoding:

▪ S-111 test data (HDF5):

➤ Gridded data

➤ based on S-111 PS Vers. 1.0.0

	0		1	
	surfaceCurrentSpeed	surfaceCurrentDirection	surfaceCurrentSpeed	surfaceCurrentDirection
18	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0
19	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0
20	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0
21	0.34	275.9	0.33	273.3
22	0.36	284.9	0.34	279.6
23	0.37	288.6	0.34	283.4
24	0.37	288.4	0.33	283.9
25	0.37	284.7	0.33	280.6
26	0.34	276.2	0.3	274.5
27	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0

S-111 use cases and test data



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Use Cases for North Sea, Baltic,
German Bight, Elbe estuary

Gridded HDF5 data sets according to
S-111 Prod. Spec. (Ed. 1.0.0)

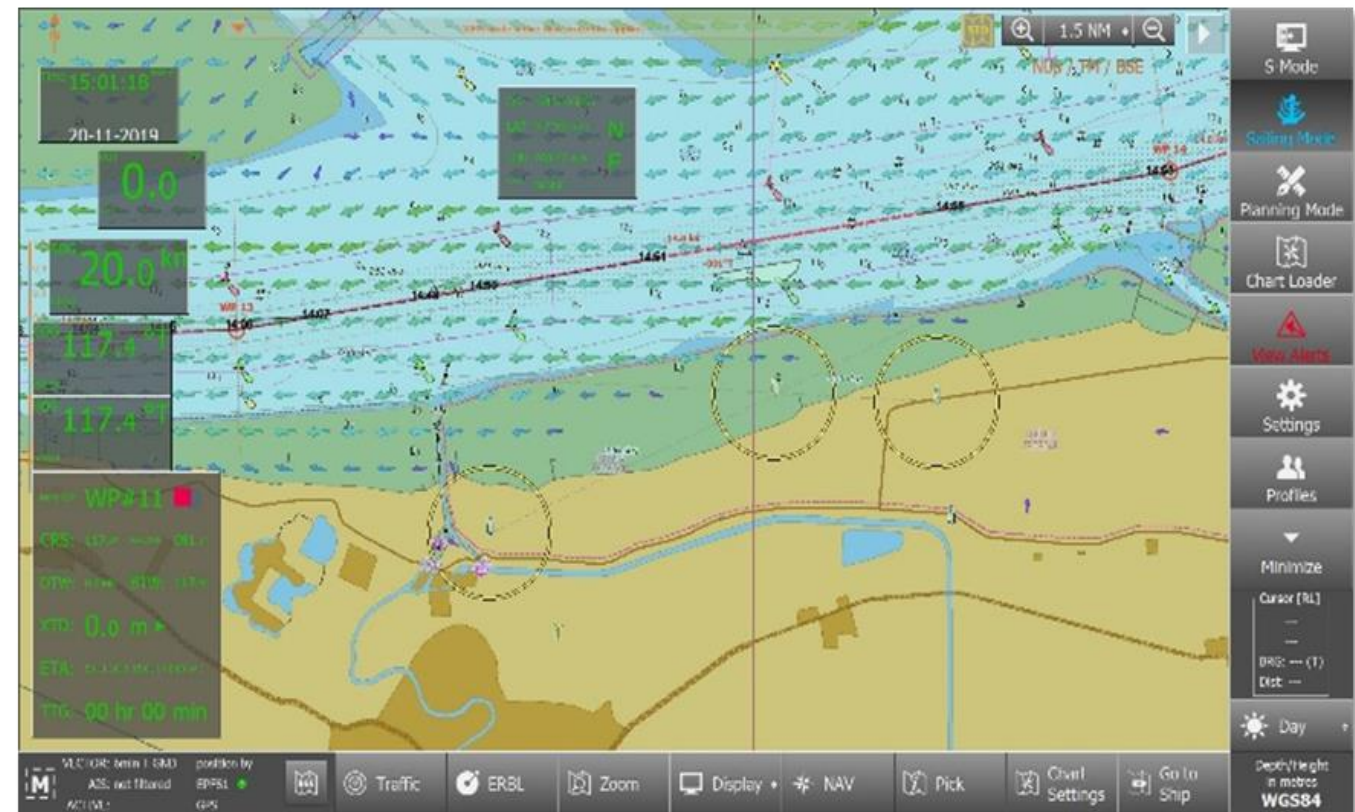
Pre-operational test data sets available

Portrayal of surface currents in an ENC
(PPU – Portable Pilot Unit)

User feedback:

- need for high-resolution data ($< 10\text{m}$)
- portrayal critical, coverage of other information (interoperability)

WMS overlay for currents in
Portable Pilot Unit (PPU)



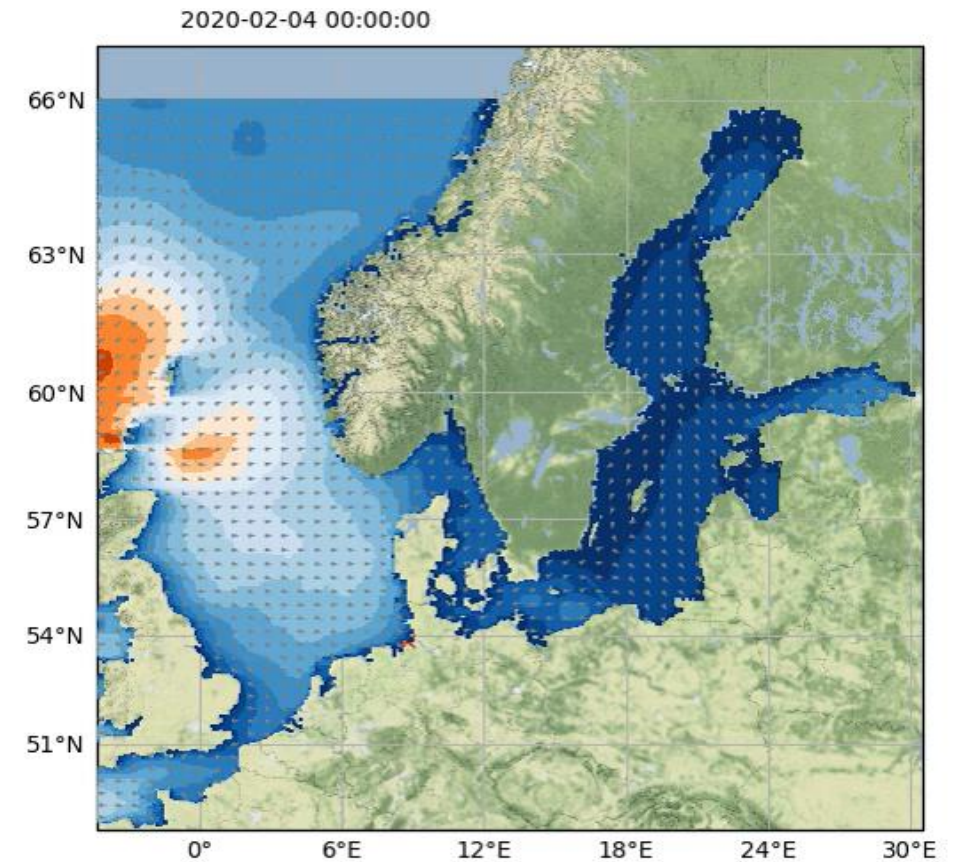
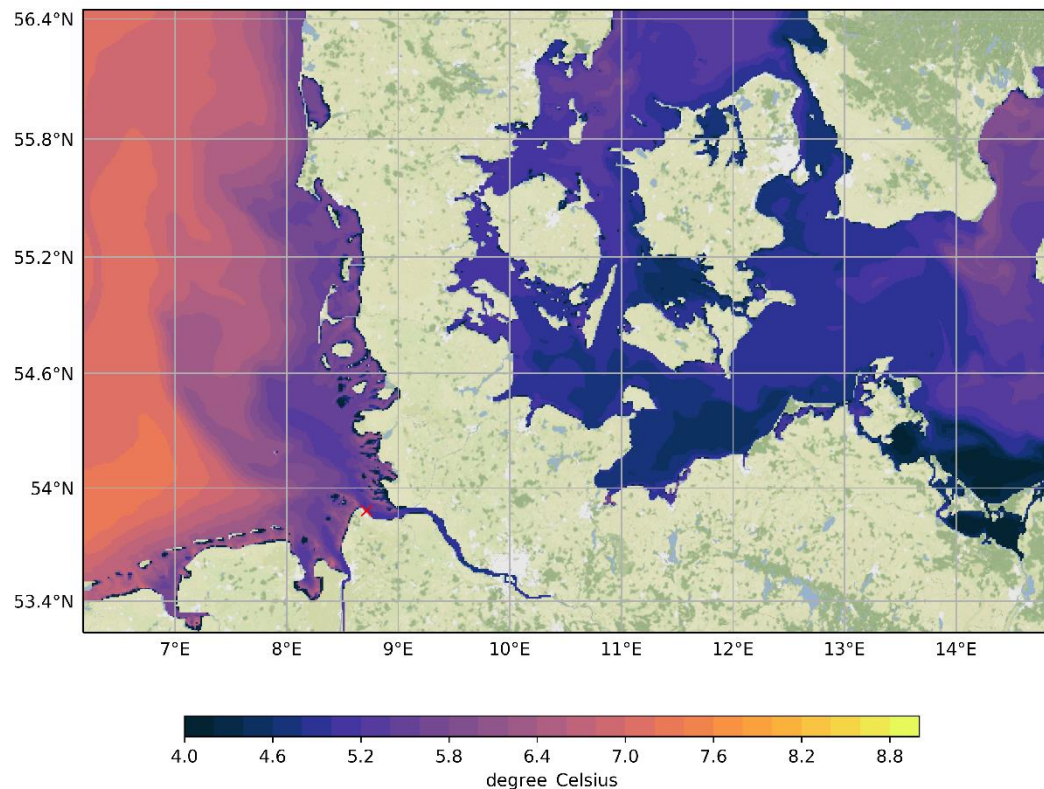
Provision of other oceanographic data (NetCDF)



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Temperature (left), salinity, wave (right) and wind forecasts are available on 2 grids:

- German coastal waters (900 m x 900 m)
- North Sea and Baltic Sea (5 km x 5 km)



Conclusions

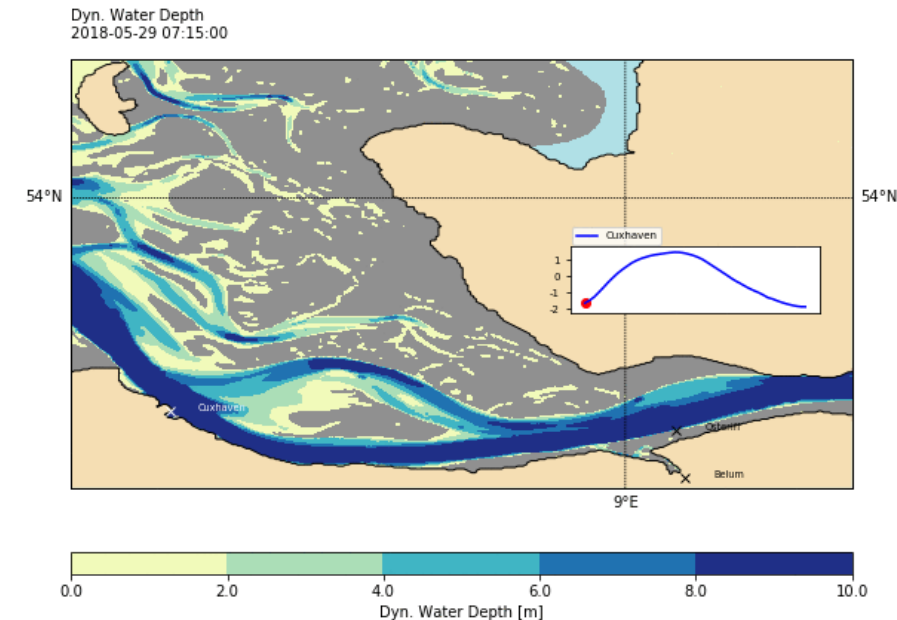


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- Project ImoNav successfully finished
- New method for optimized 2D water level forecasts
- Combination of bathymetry and water level data
- Portrayal in PPU and ImoNav viewer (industry partners)
- User workshop and demonstration phase
- Automated pre-operational daily production
- S-104 / S-111 HDF5 test data still available on ftp box

➤ S-104 time series: ftp.bsh.de/outgoing/imonav/AP2/s104_files/

➤ S-111 gridded data: ftp.bsh.de/outgoing/imonav/AP2/s111_files/



Thank you for your attention!



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