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# MARNET, Sea State Monitoring Network and Automated Data Quality Control of the BSH - Updates

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# Outline

1. News from MARNET
2. Updates about sea state measuring stations
3. New sea state data portal
4. Automated data quality control and its performance
5. Summary & Outlook

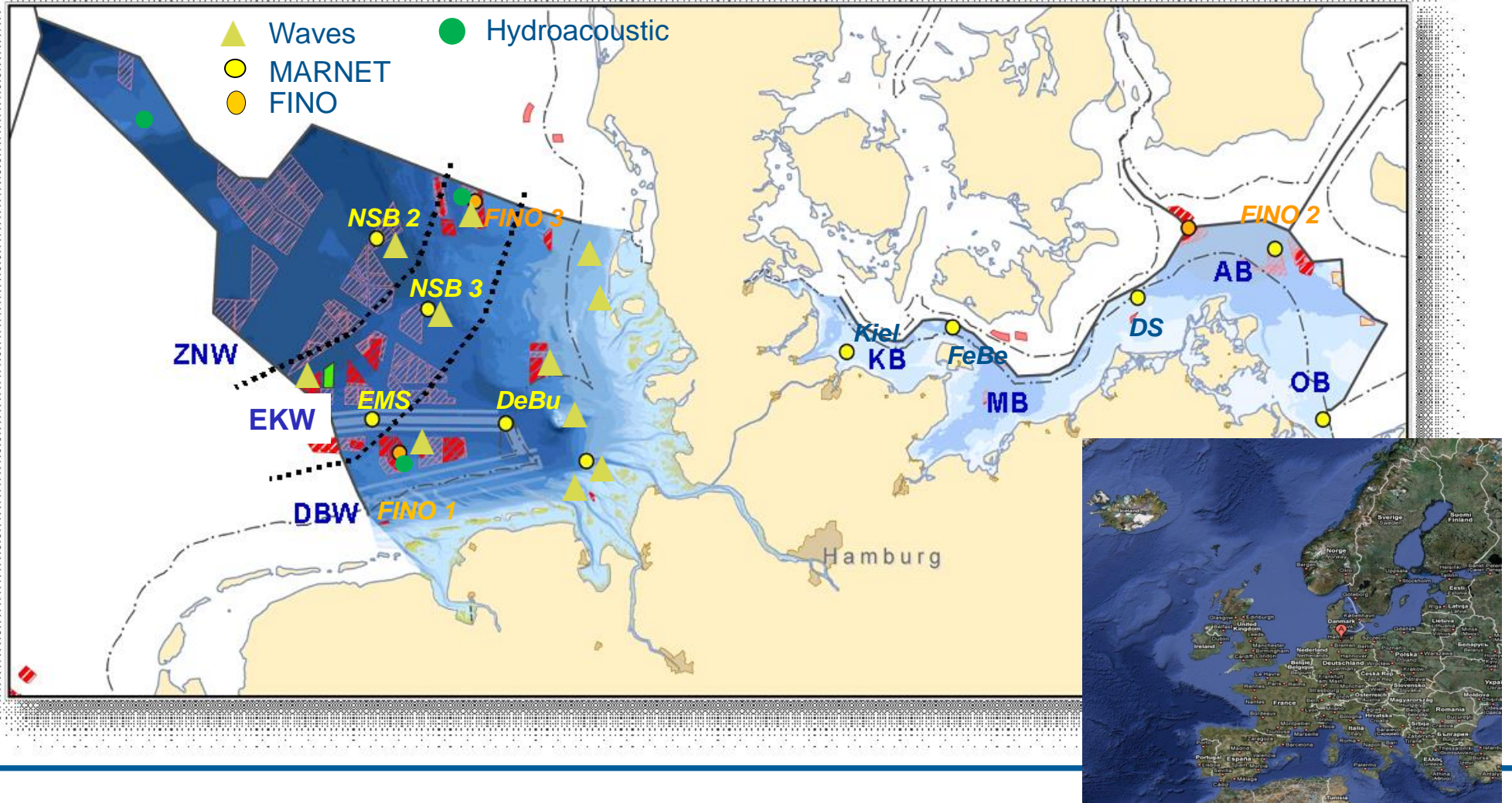
## Parts of MARNET

1. MARNET Stations
2. FINO platforms
3. RAVE stations and co-operations
4. Hydroacoustic measurements
5. German Bight inner part

## New developments

1. Monitoring buoy (LT81, North Sea)
2. Sparebuoy (Baltic Sea)

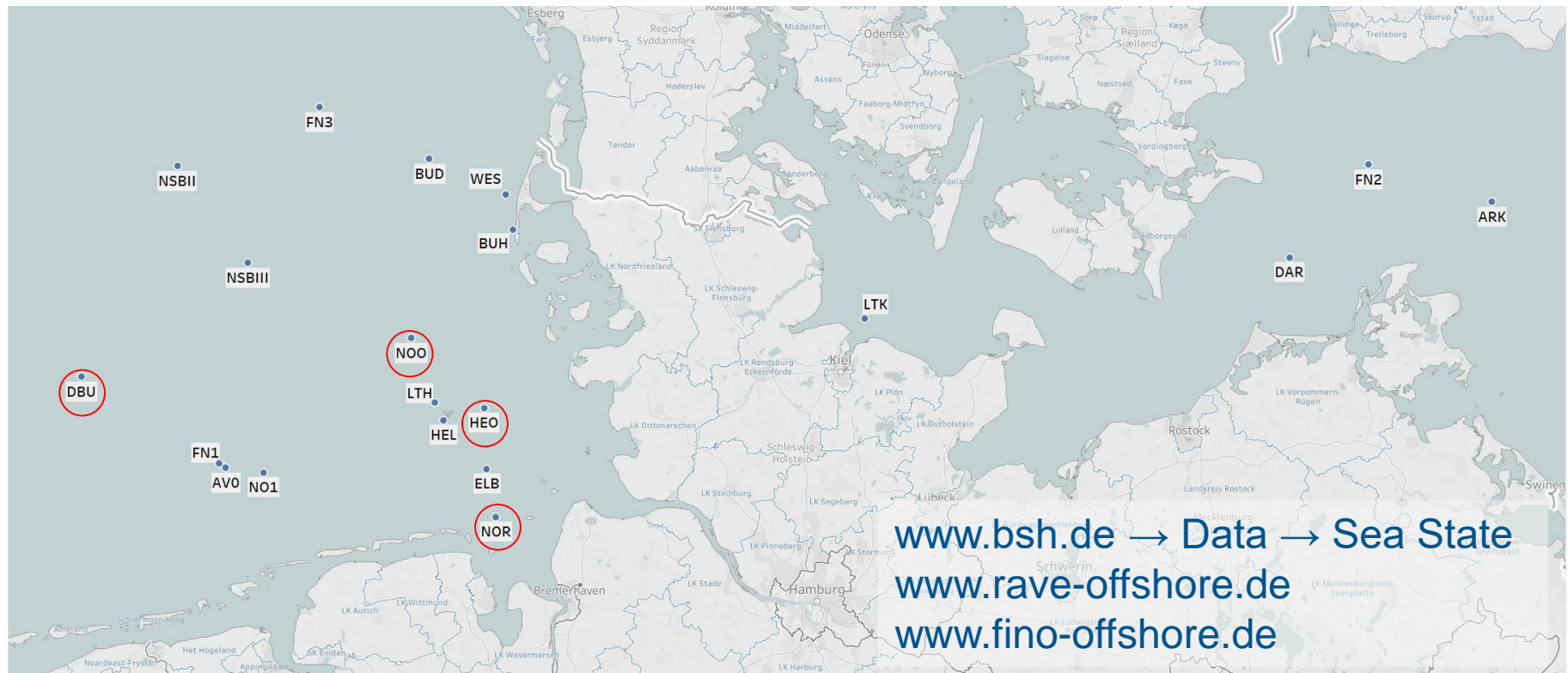
# Fixed Monitoring Stations German Bight



# Sea State Measuring Stations

19 stations = 17 BSH (3 FINO and 6 RAVE) + 2 LKN/Hereon

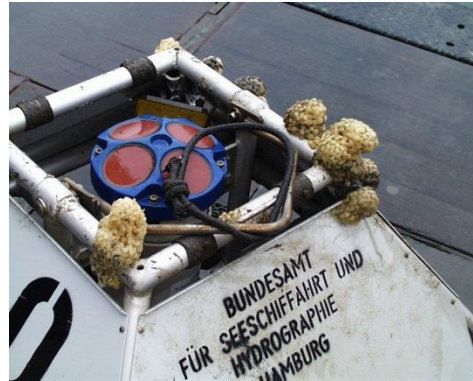
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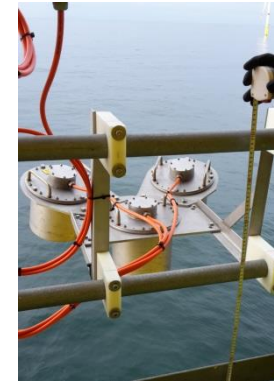
# Instruments and Parameters



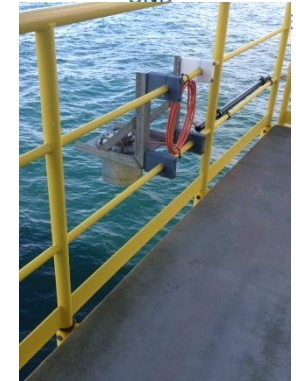
**Waverider Buoy**



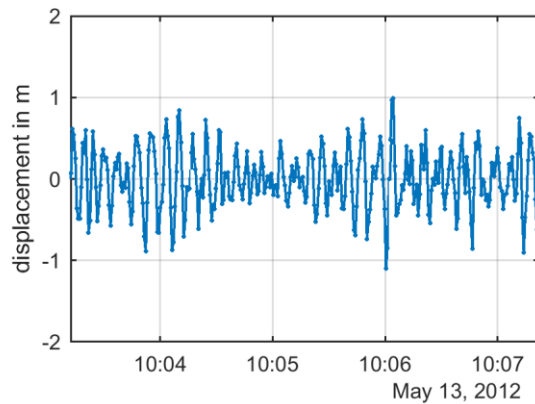
**Acoustic Doppler Profiler**



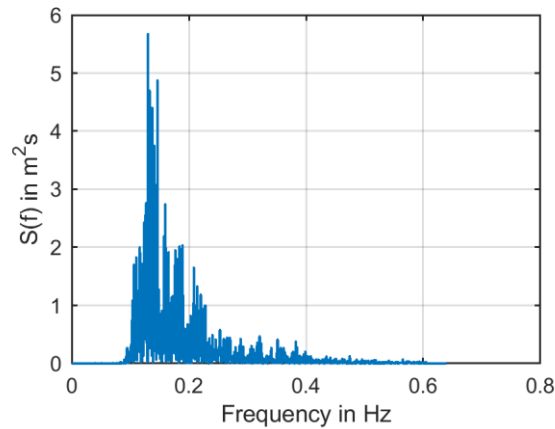
**Directional Radar**



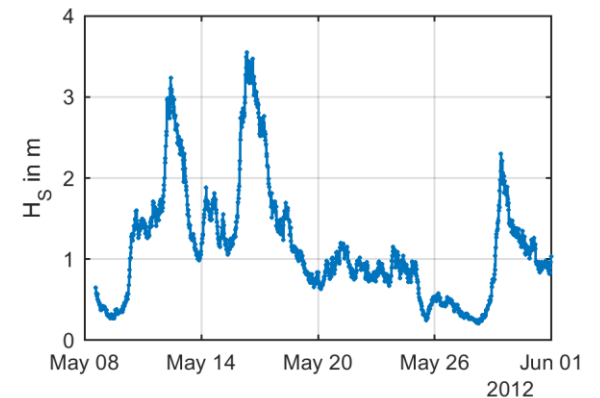
**Wave Radar**



**Heave**



**Power Density Spectrum**

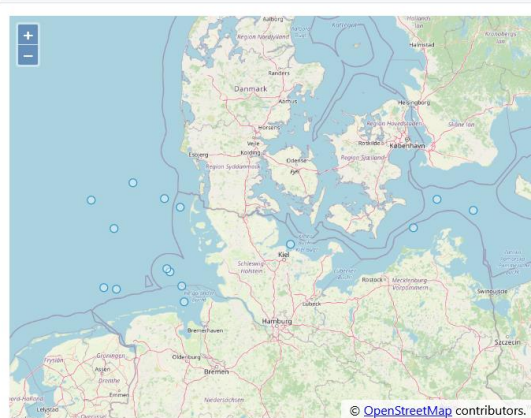


**Aggregated Parameters**

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**Map**



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**Queries**

**Start date**

< Nov 2021 >

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

**End date**

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

**Quality flags**

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 - good data	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6 - /
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 - probably good data	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7 - /
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - probably bad data	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 8 - interpolated value
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**Stations and parameters**

Filter:  Vague Clear selection

- >  Alpha Ventus
- >  Arkona Basin Buoy
- >  Buoy Darsser Schwelle1
- >  Butendiek
- >  ElbeWR
- >  FINO1 Platform
- >  FINO2 Platform
- >  FINO3 Platform
- >  Helgoland

**Plot**

**Export**

Format:

Filename:

Email notification:

- The data portal is live since 01.02.2021
- So far we have 87 registered users

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# BSH Sea State Portal

## Sea State Portal 0.8.10 Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency

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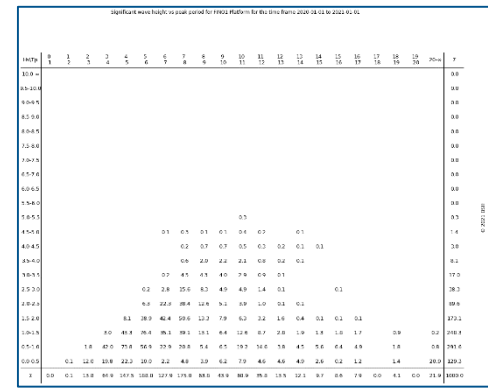
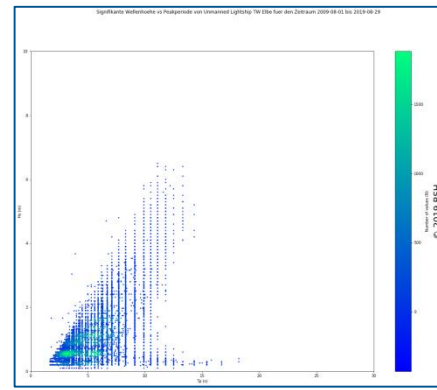
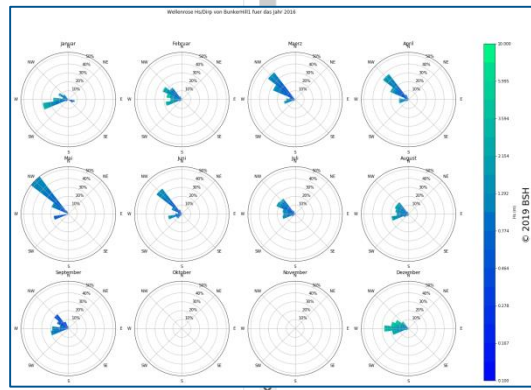
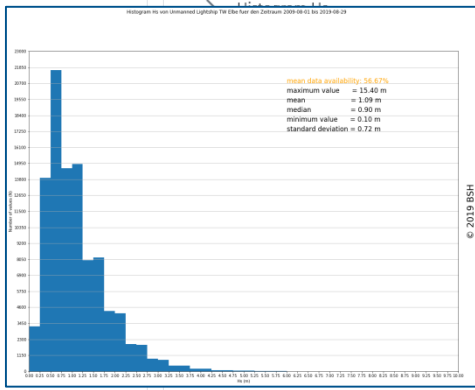
Stations and products Product

- > Alpha Ventus
- > Arkona Basin Buoy
- > Buoy Darsser Schwelle1
- > Butendiek: 3D RADAC
- > Butendiek: DWR
- > ElbeWR
- > FINO1 Plattform: 1D RADAC
- > FINO1 Plattform: AWAC
- > FINO1 Plattform: DWR

**Products:**

- histogram Hs
- directional wave rose Hs vs. Dirp
- scatter plot Hs vs. Dirp, Hs vs Tp
- scatter tables Hs vs. Tp

yearly  
 selectable time range

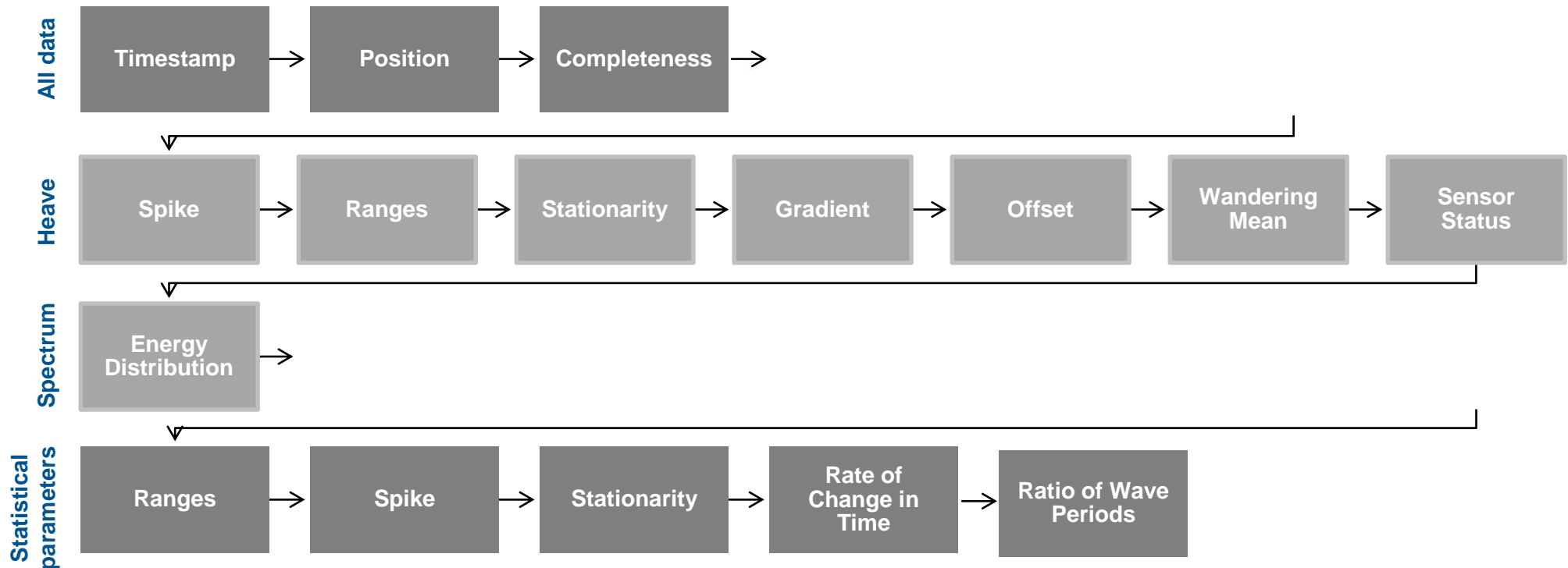




# Automated Data Quality Control (real-time)

- Copernicus (2020)
  - <http://www.marineinsitu.eu/documentation/>
- IOOS / QARTOD (2019)
  - <https://ioos.noaa.gov/project/qartod/>
- Christou, M. and Ewans, K. (2014). "Field Measurements of Rogue Water Waves." *Journal of Physical Oceanography* 44(9): 2317-2335.
- SeaDataNet (2010)
  - <https://www.seadatanet.org/Standards/Data-Quality-Control>

# Automated Data Quality Control (Real-Time)



➤ Passing on the test results via the 16-digit *detailed quality flag*.

# Qualityflags

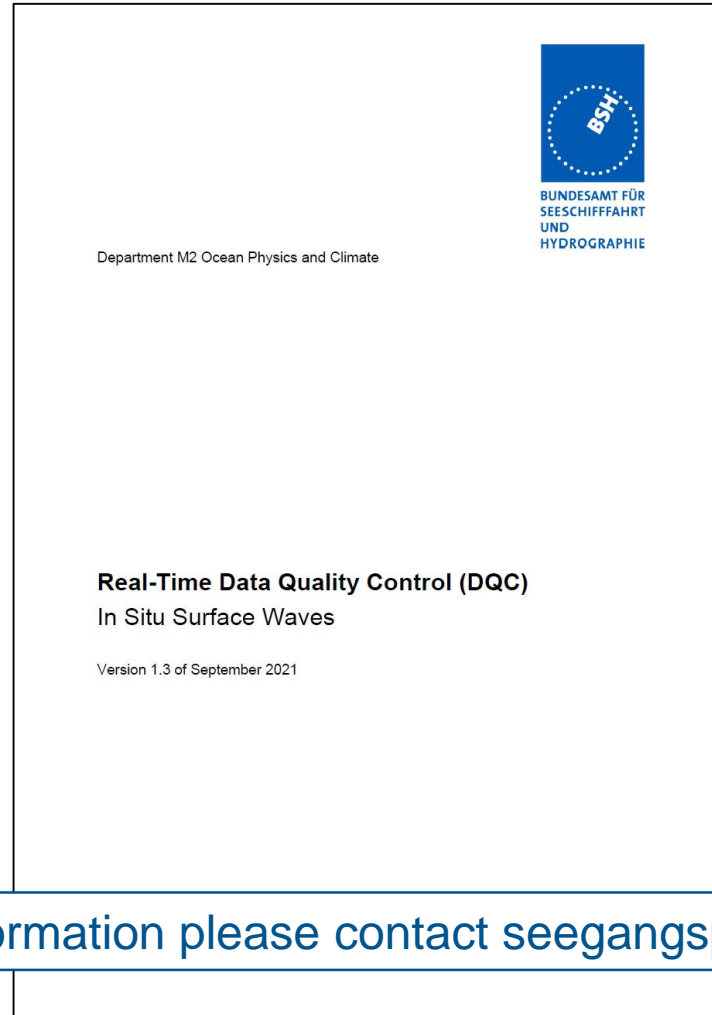
Code	Definition
0	No QC was performed
1	Good data
2	Probably good data
3	Bad data, that is potentially correctable
4	Bad data
5	Value changed
6	
7	Nominal value
8	Interpolated value
9	Missing value



Conform with:

- COPERNICUS
- SeaDataNet
- OceanSITES
- Argo

# Documentation of Data Quality Control



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# Performance of Automated Data Quality Control

## Sample:

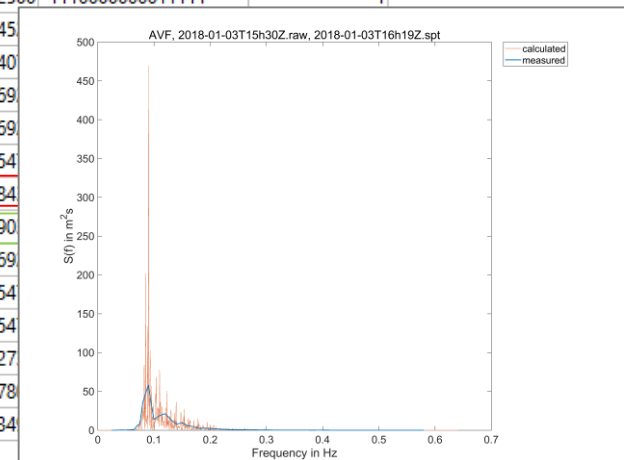
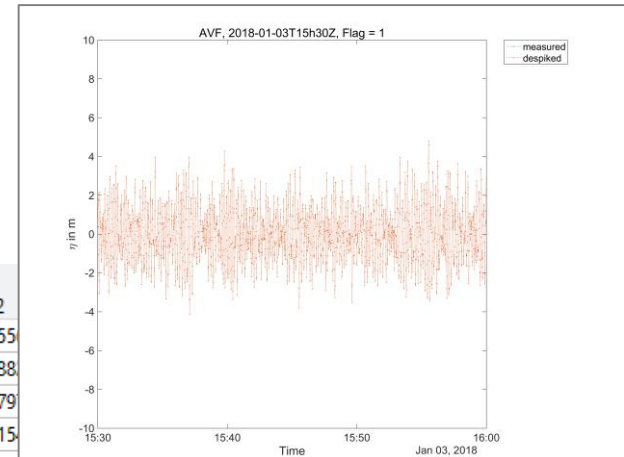
- Station: alpha ventus
- Sensor: directional waverider buoy (DWR)
- Year: 2018
- Data Availability:
  - 100.0 % / 17520 measurements (zero-crossing parameters)
  - 99.93 % / 17508 measurements (spectral parameters)
- Ratio of bad data (flag=4): ~2 % (mostly spikes)

→ How many falsely detected events (false positives) are there?



# Performance of Automated Data Quality Control

Station: alpha ventus  
Sensor: directional waverider buoy (DWR)  
Year: 2018



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Time	VHM0	dqf_VHM0	fqf_VHM0	VTPK	dqf_VTPK	fqf_VTPK	VTM02
201801031120	3.2800	"1910000000011110"	1	7.6900	"1910000000011111"	1	5.55
201801031150	3.6100	"1910000000011110"	1	8.3300	"1910000000011111"	1	5.88
201801031220	3.4600	"1910000000011110"	1	8.3300	"1910000000011111"	1	5.79
201801031250	3.6700	"1110000000011110"	1	8.3300	"1110000000011111"	1	6.15
201801031320	3.6600	"1110000000011110"	1	10	"1110000000011111"	1	6.2500
201801031350	3.9600	"1110000000011110"	1	10	"1110000000011111"	1	6.45
201801031420	5.1400	"1110000000011110"	1	11.1100	"1110000000011111"	1	7.40
201801031450	5.1900	"1110000000011110"	1	11.7600	"1110000000011111"	1	7.69
201801031520	5.2900	"1110000000011110"	1	11.7600	"1110000000011111"	1	7.69
201801031550	5.1700	"1110000000011110"	1	11.1100	"1110000000011111"	1	7.54
201801031620	5.7900	"1110000000011140"	4	11.1100	"1110000000011111"	4	7.84
201801031650	11.3900	"1110000000014140"	4	25	"1110000000014141"	4	12.90
201801031720	5.7800	"1110000000011110"	1	10.5300	"1110000000011111"	1	7.69
201801031750	5.5700	"1110000000011110"	1	11.1100	"1110000000011111"	1	7.54
201801031820	5.9700	"1910000000011110"	1	10.5300	"1910000000011111"	1	7.54
201801031850	5.2400	"1910000000011110"	1	10	"1910000000011111"	1	7.27
201801031920	4.5400	"1910000000011110"	1	10.5300	"1910000000011111"	1	6.78
201801031950	4.2400	"1910000000011110"	1	10.5300	"1910000000011111"	1	6.34

# Preliminary Results

- Overall ~35% of the bad data considered are false positives.
- Particularly sensitive parameters are:
  - Hmax (53% false positive), Tp (49% false positive) and THmax (35% false positive)
- Reasons for bad data:
  - storms (spikes in Hs, Hmax)
  - very low sea states (spikes in Tp, THmax)
  - During maintenance work on the sensors
- Reasons for falsely detected bad data:
  - Good values can be falsely detected as bad data if they are right next to spikes

# Summary & Outlook

- Approx. 2 % of the waverider buoy measurement is flagged as bad data.
- ~35% of the bad data considered are false positives.
  - This is an estimate and could vary by year, station and sensor. This needs to be investigated more.
- Implement quality control for heave and spectral data
- Include heave and spectral data in the sea state portal
- Include current data and sea level data (open sea) in the sea state portal



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Thank you very much!

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