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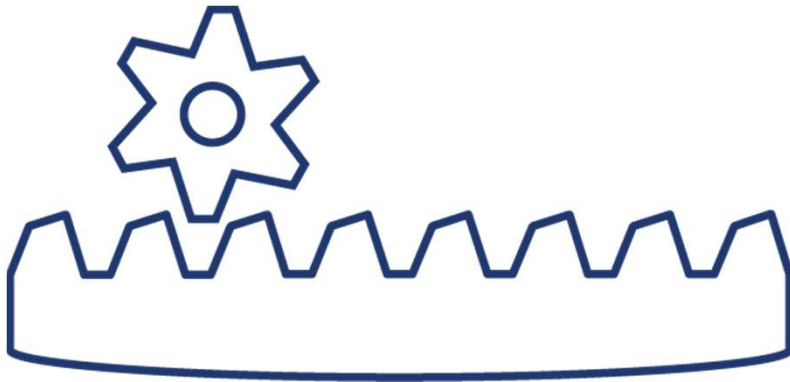
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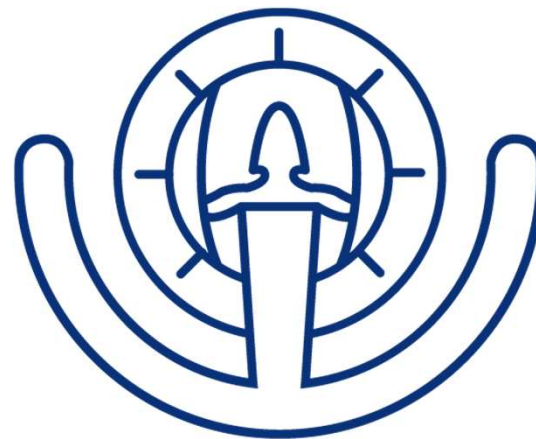
Competence in Customized Engineering

Mechanical design



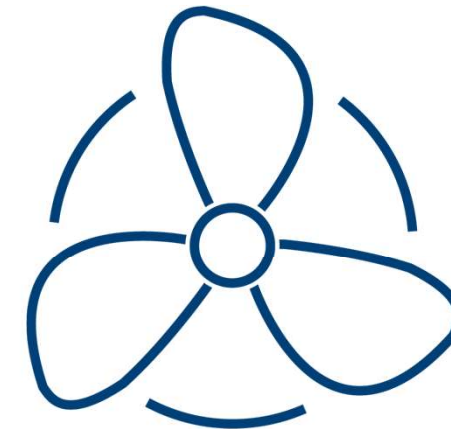
- Mechanical power transmission
- Structural mechanics
- Hydraulics & pneumatics
- Sealing technology

Electrical engineering

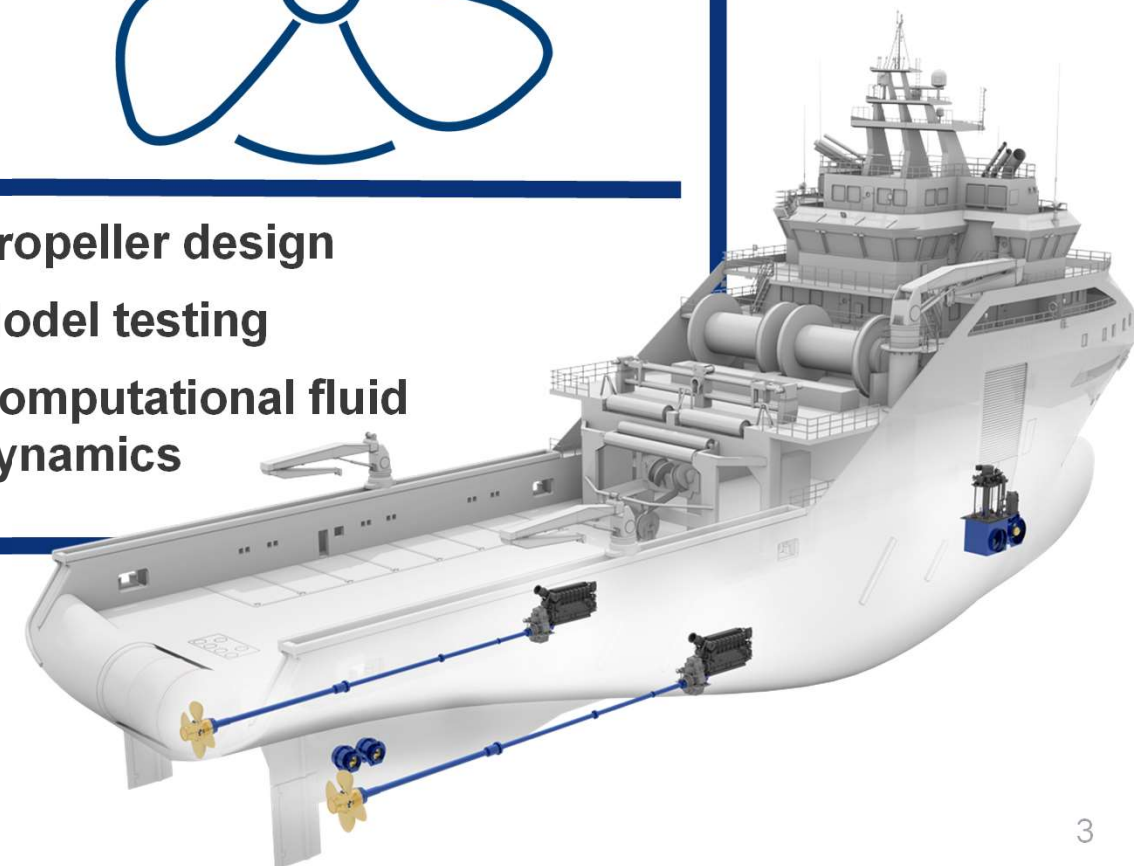


- Automation
- Condition monitoring
- Power electronics
- Assistance systems

Hydrodynamics



- Propeller design
- Model testing
- Computational fluid dynamics



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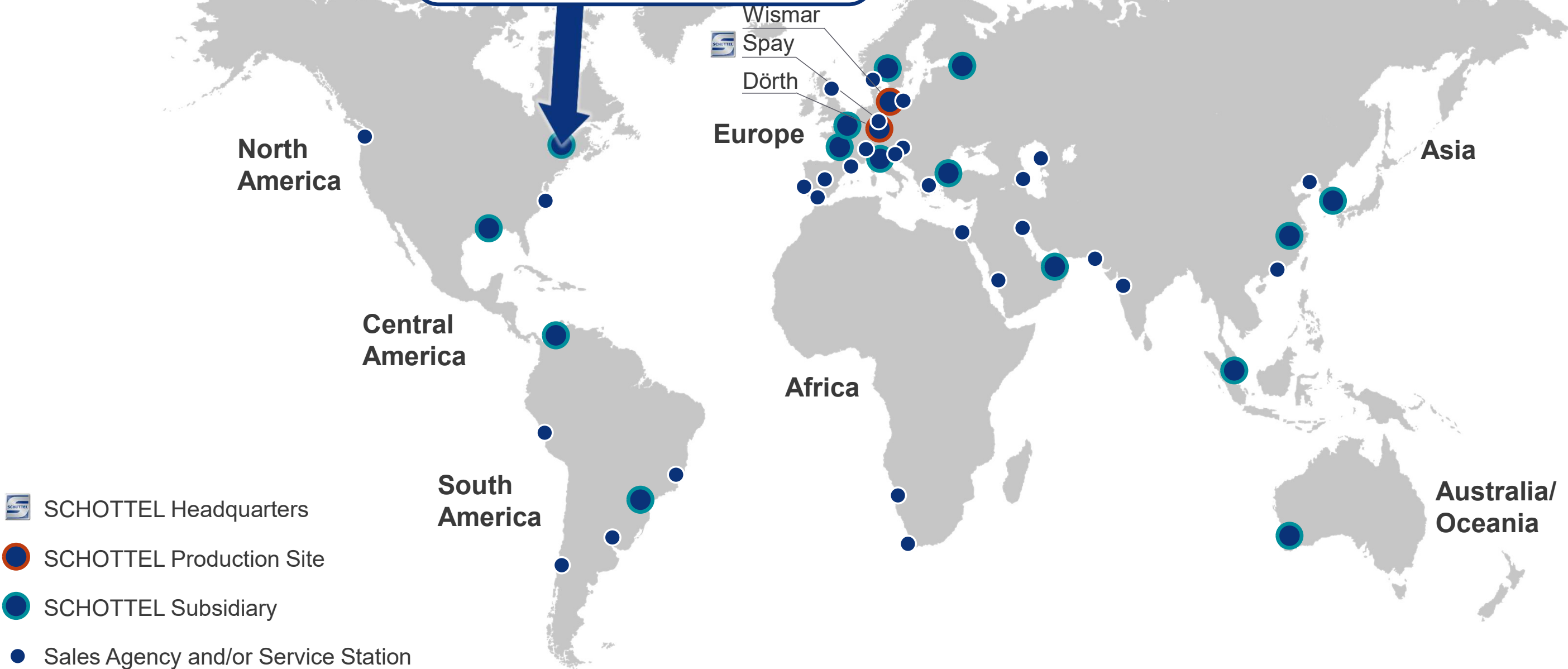


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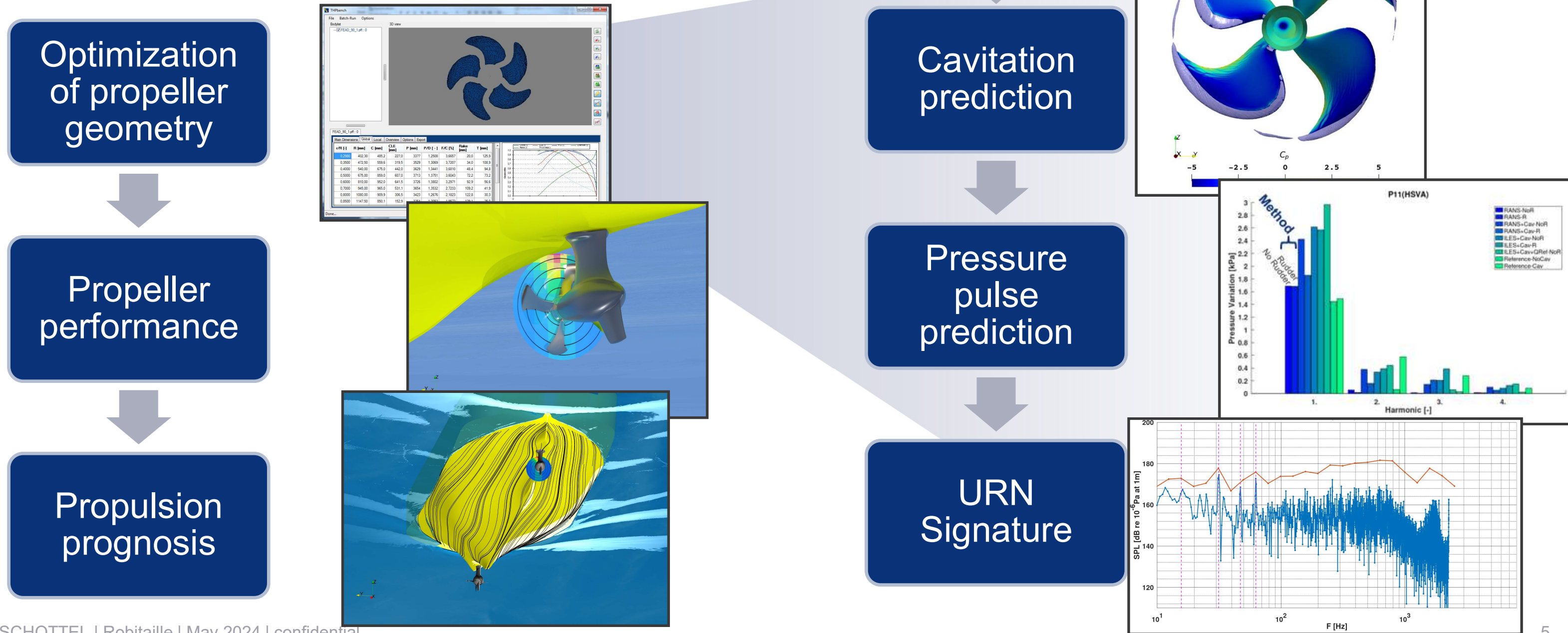
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Propeller Designs

Every SCHOTTEL propeller design is customized and unique



Timeline of SCHOTTEL Underwater Noise Research Activities

Research projects



<2018

2019

2020

2021

2022

2023

Methods

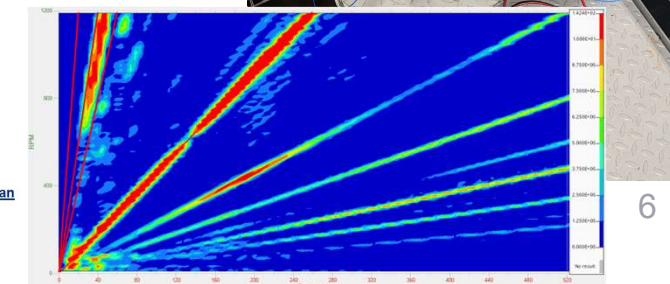
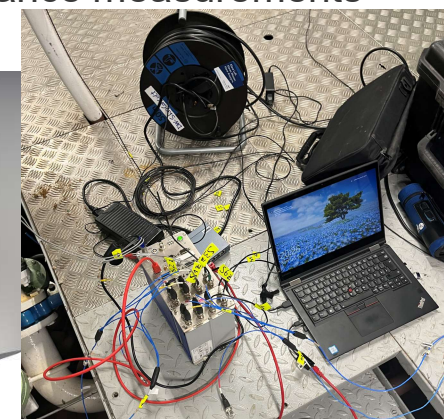
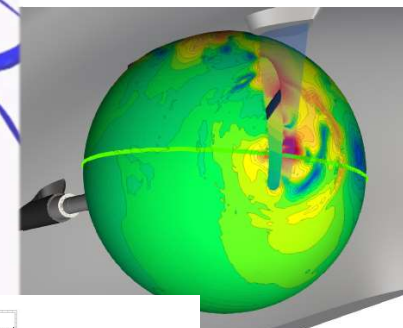
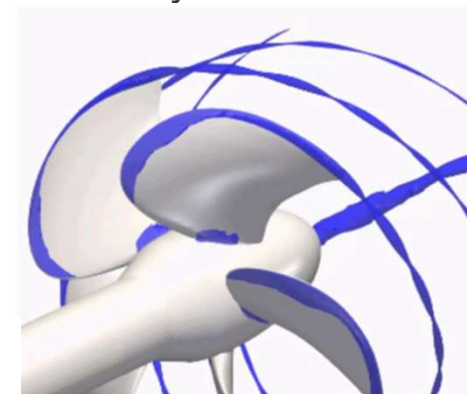
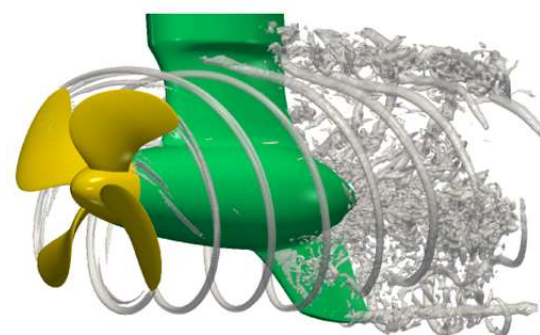
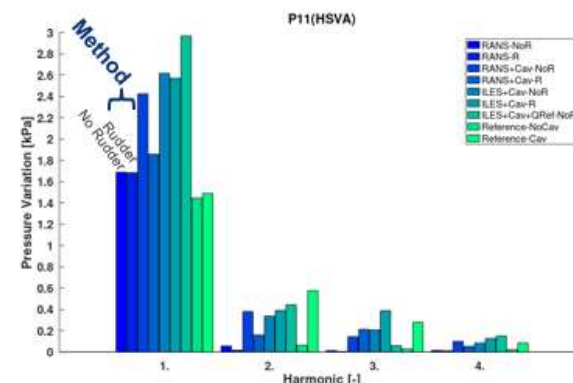
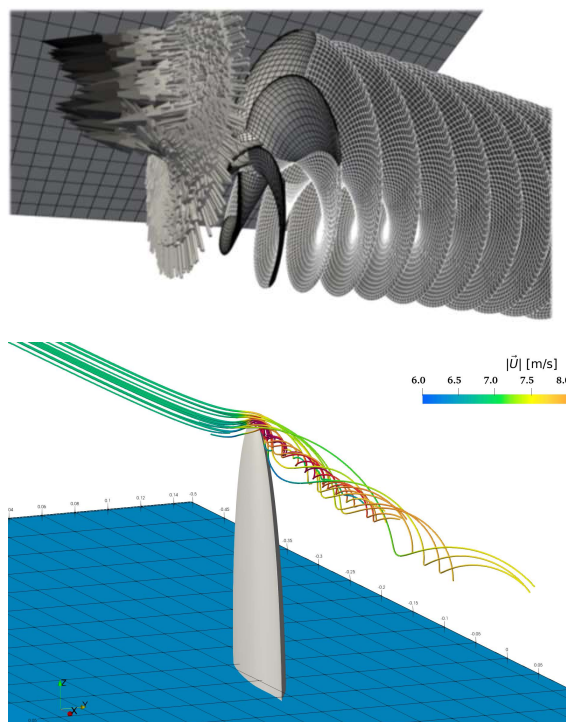
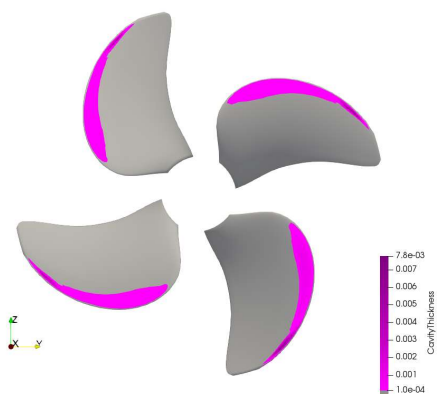
- Vortex-Lattice based propeller cavitation
- RANS single-phase cavitation
- Empirical pressure pulses
- Analytical pressure pulses at 1. harmonic
- Modal analysis

- BEM cavitation
- RANS two-phase cavitation
- LES

- CFD pressure pulse prediction
- BEM URN signatures
- Trailing vortex

- LES trailing vortex cavitation
- CFD URN signatures
- Frequency Response Analysis

- CFD sound directivity
- Gear/Bearing noise
- Multi-Body simulation
- URN Measurements
- Vibration measurements
- Acoustic impedance measurements

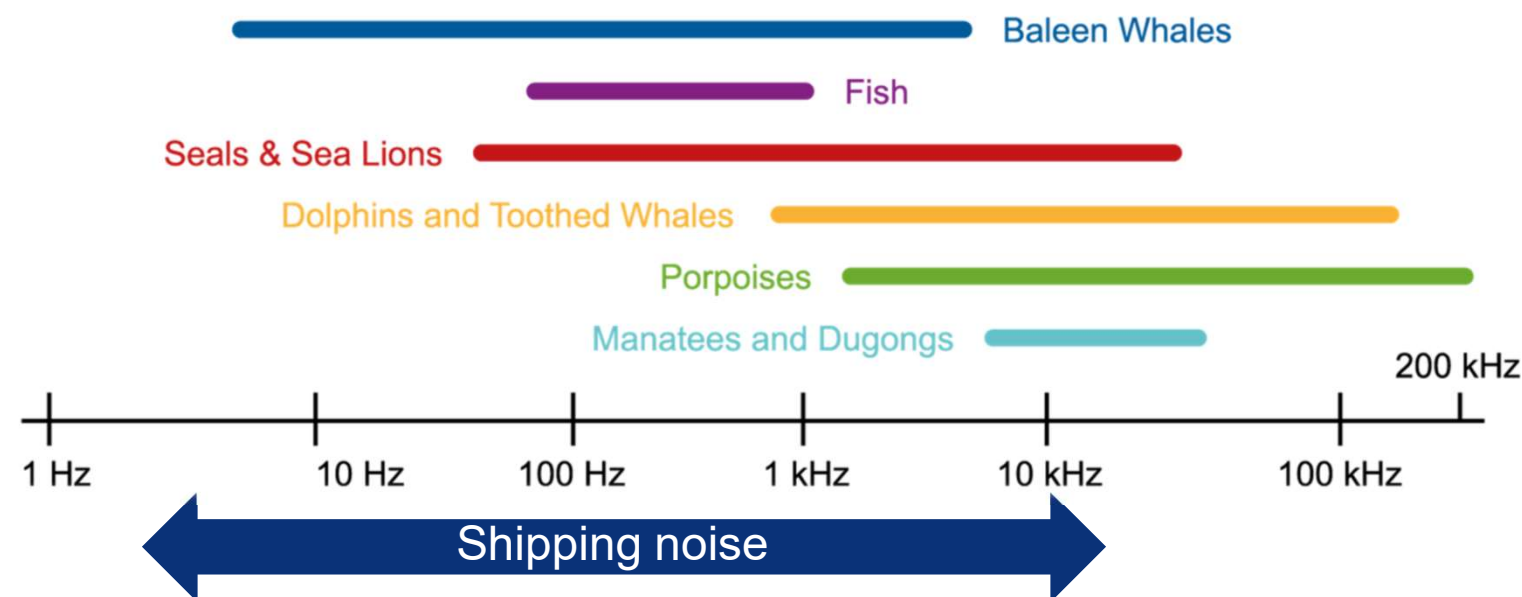
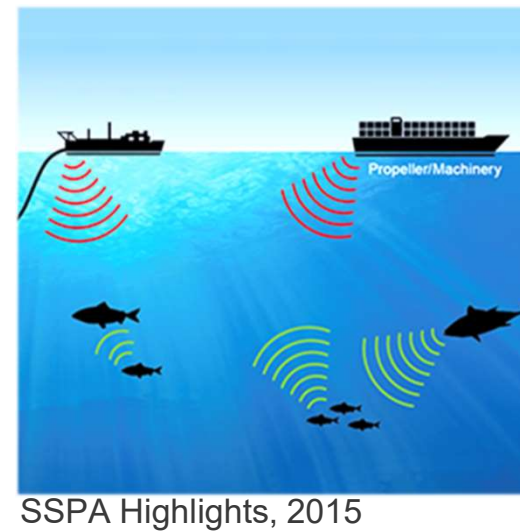
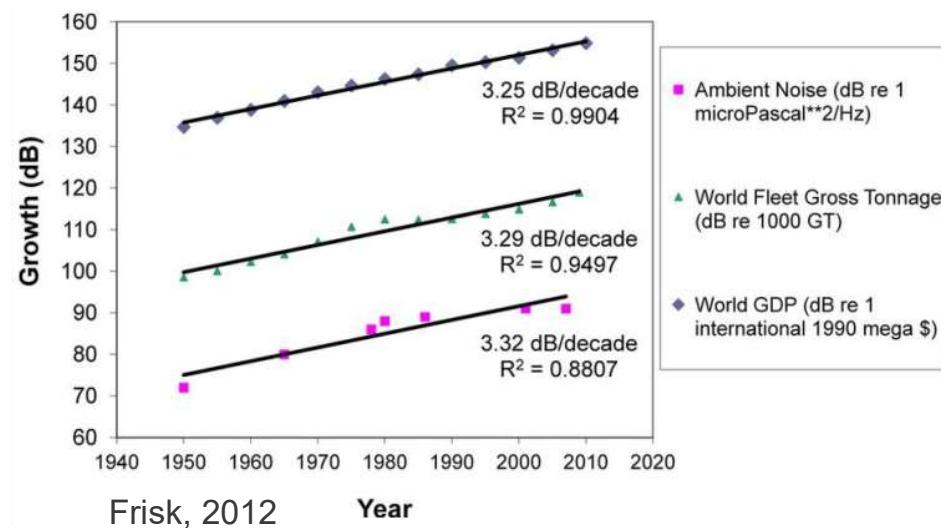


UNDERWATER RADIATED NOISE

Underwater Radiated Noise

Motivation

Protection of the Environment



Shipping activities increase underwater background noise level by an estimated 20 to 30 dB (10 - 300Hz)

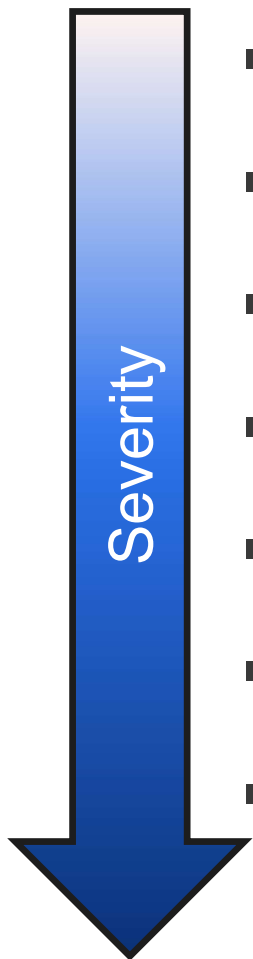
Marine animals evolved to use underwater sound:

- Communication
- Navigation
- Predator/prey interaction

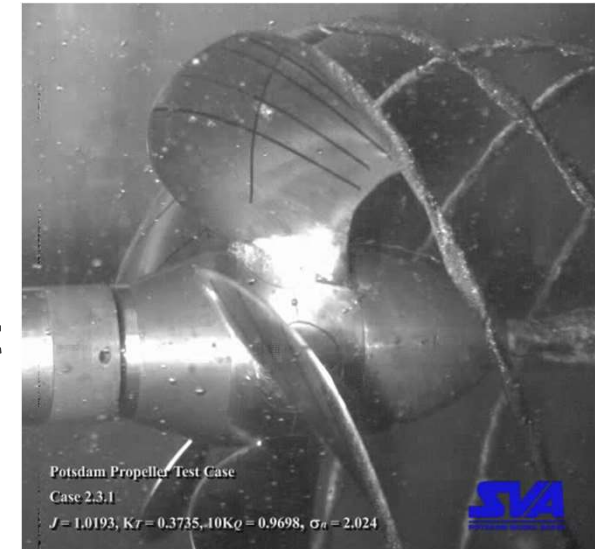
- On evolutionary timescales recent changes in soundscape have been sudden
- Even for individuals changes might be substantial
→ Consider some whale or turtle species

Underwater Radiated Noise

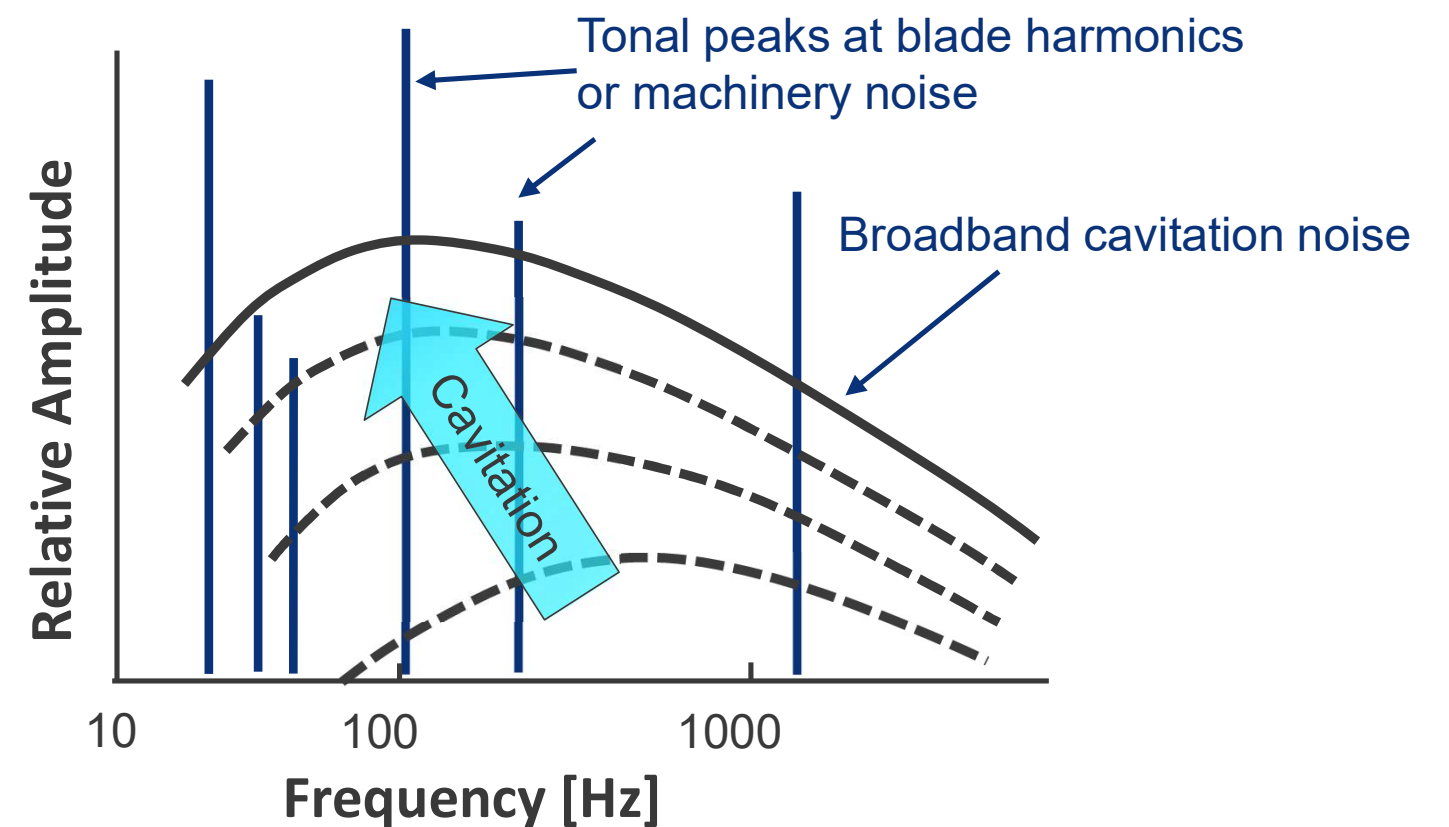
Noise Sources

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- Vessel moving through water
 - Vessel wave pattern
 - Turbulence in vessel wake
 - Propeller displacement and thrust
 - **Cavitation + cavitating vortices**
 - Machinery: Gears, Bearings, Engines, ...
 - Electronics: VFD, E-Motor

Example propeller cavitation in model test



Theoretical ship noise spectrum

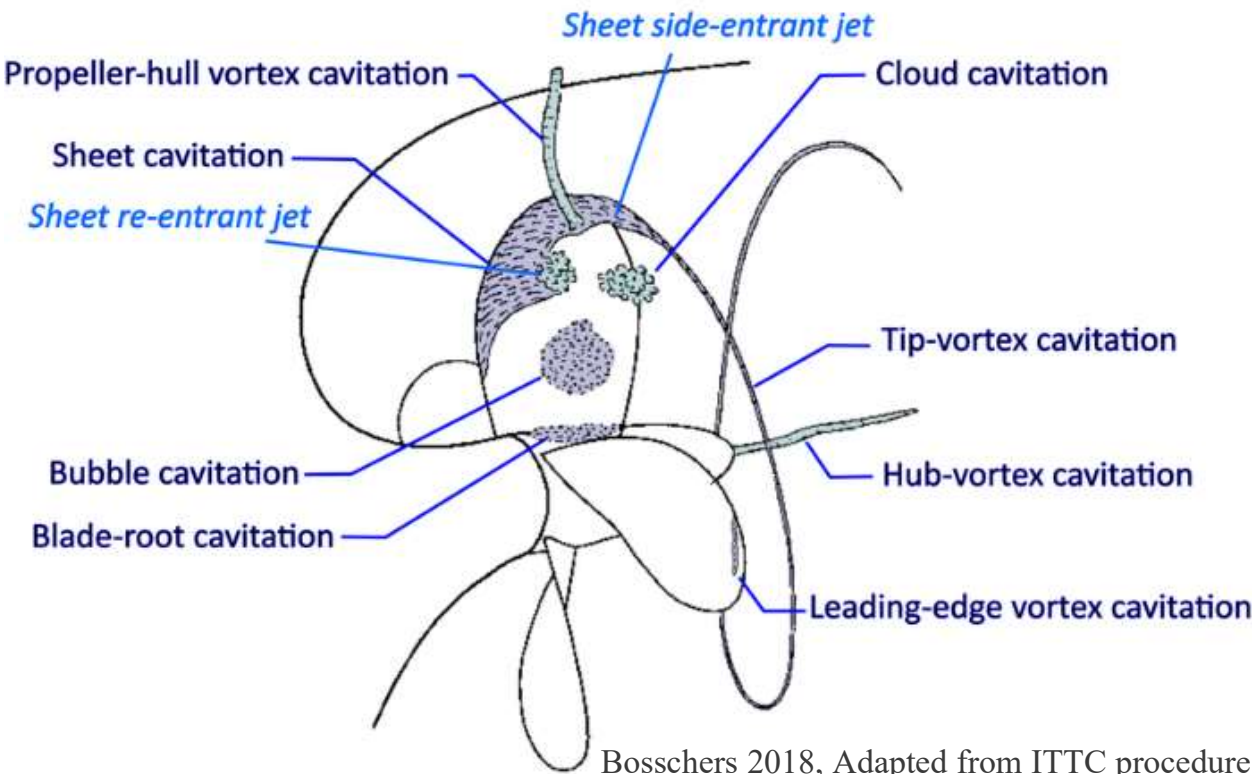


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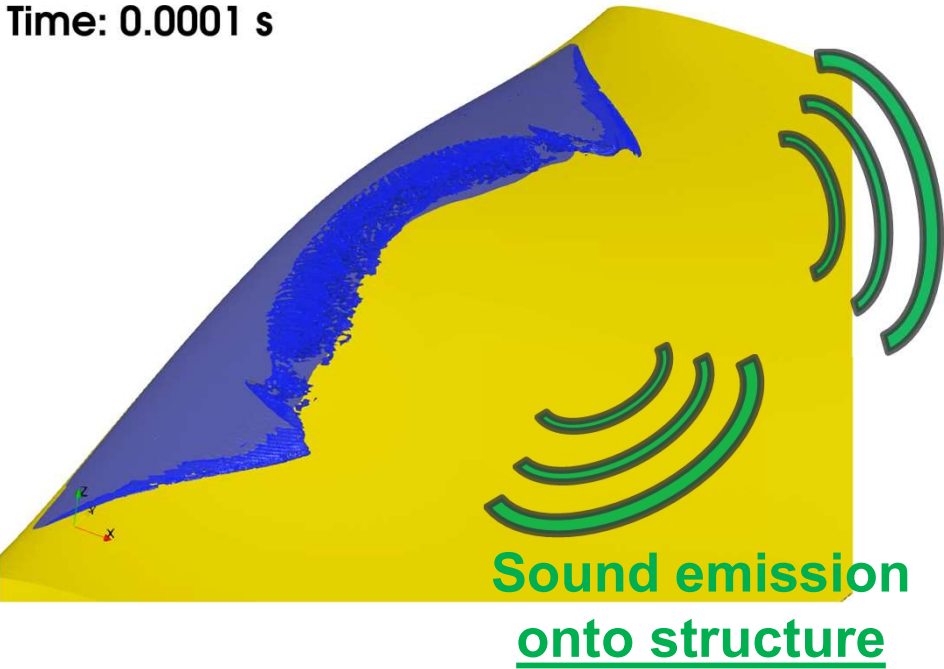
Cavitation

“Most of URN is caused by propeller cavitation, but onboard machinery [is] also relevant”

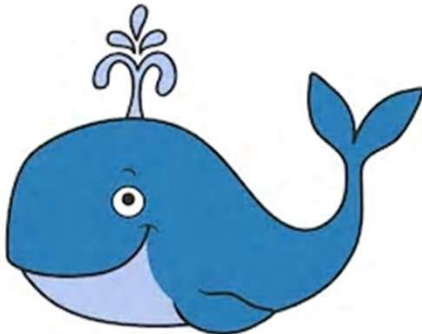
– IMO, Revised guidelines for the reduction of underwater noise from commercial shipping to address adverse impacts on marine life, 2023



Fluctuating cavitation on hydrofoil
Time: 0.0001 s

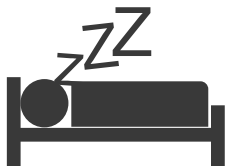


Sound emission
into fluid

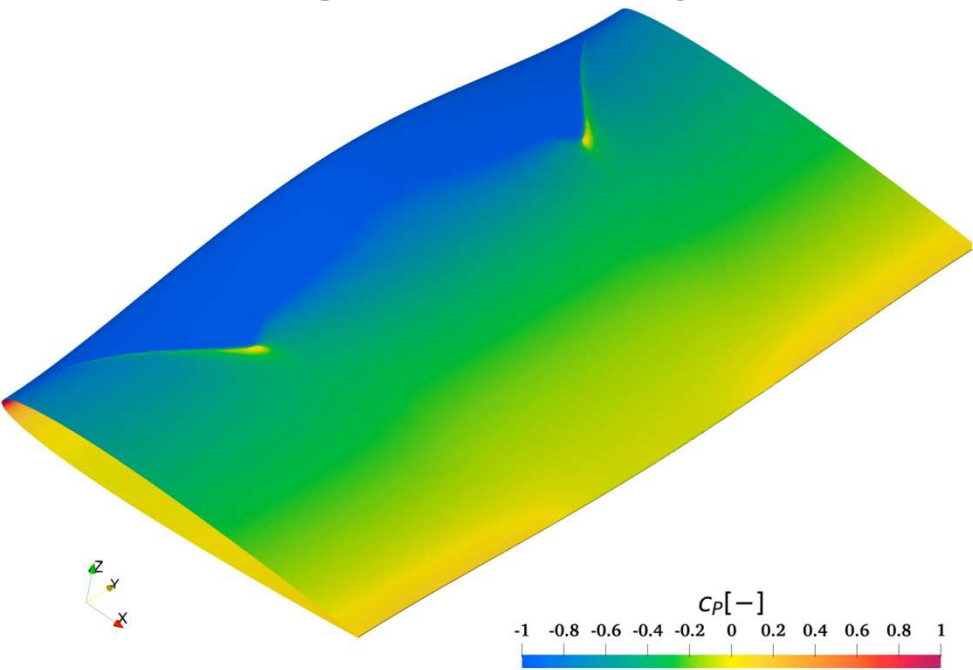


Structure Borne Noise

→ Human comfort onboard ship



Corresponding Pressure on Hydrofoil



Underwater Radiated Noise

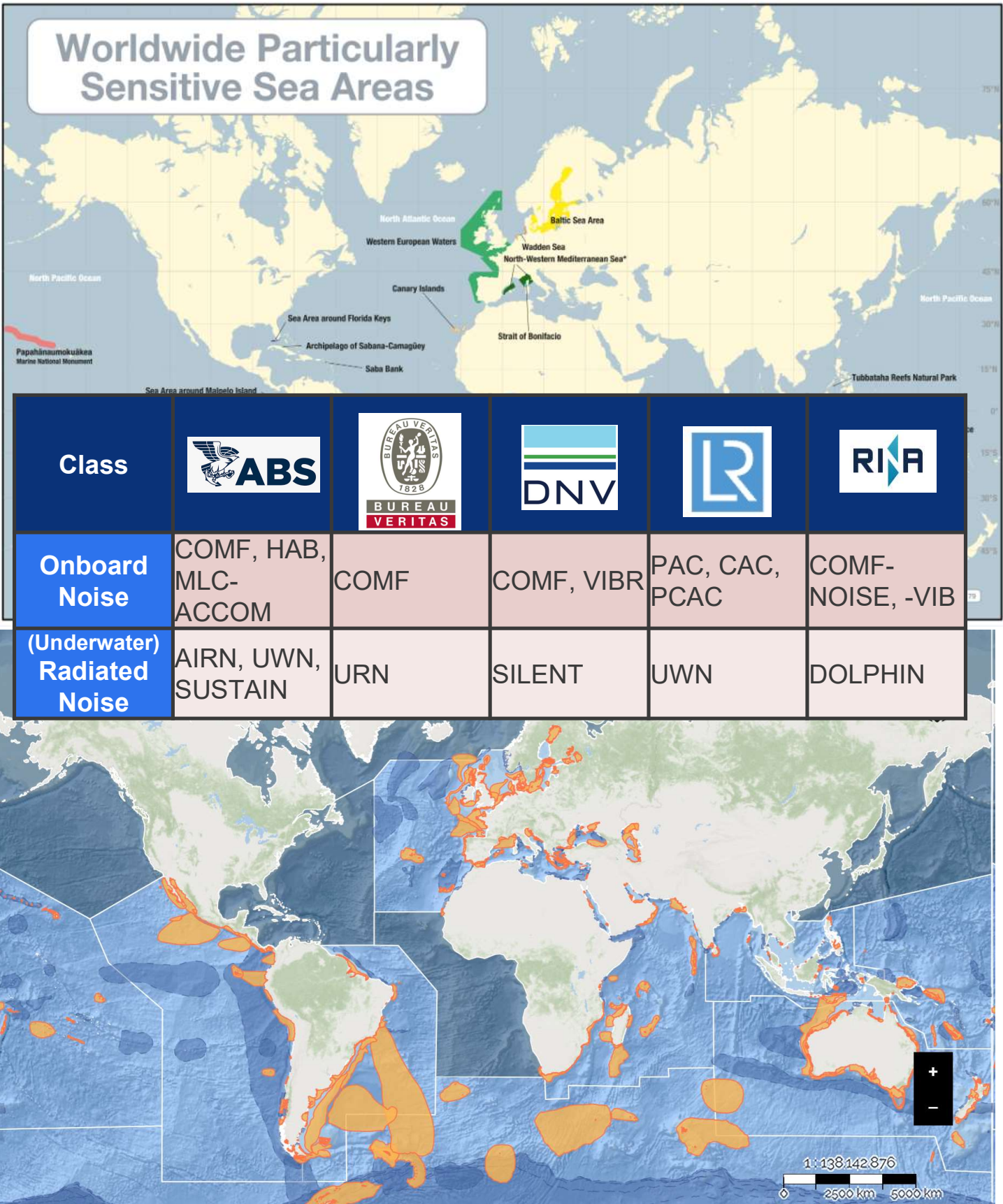
Upcoming Regulatory Framework

IMO 2023

- Requirement of baseline URN signature
- Incentivization of monitoring along shipping lanes
- Implementation of restricted zones:
 - IMMAs (Important Marine Mammal Area)
 - PSSAs (Particularly Sensitive Sea Area)
 - Local restrictions by governments

Transport Canada

- Request for on-board live monitoring
- Call for research proposals 2021

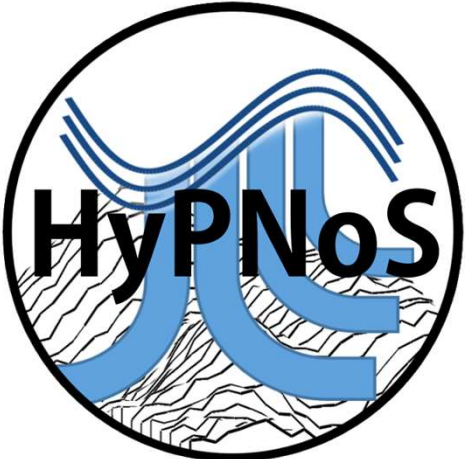
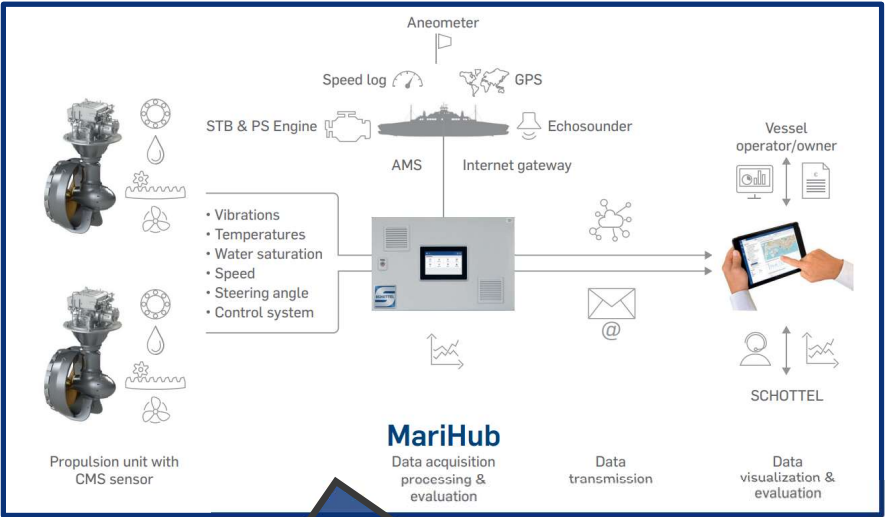


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Theory

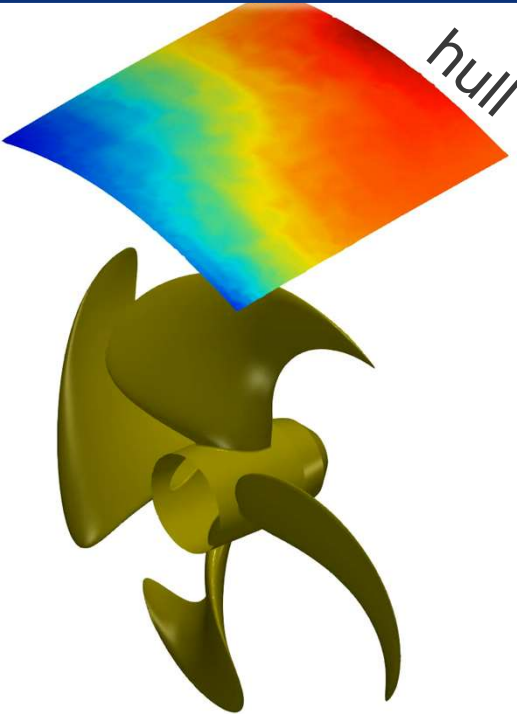
„SCHOTTEL MariHub, IoT & Monitoring system“, SCHOTTEL 2021



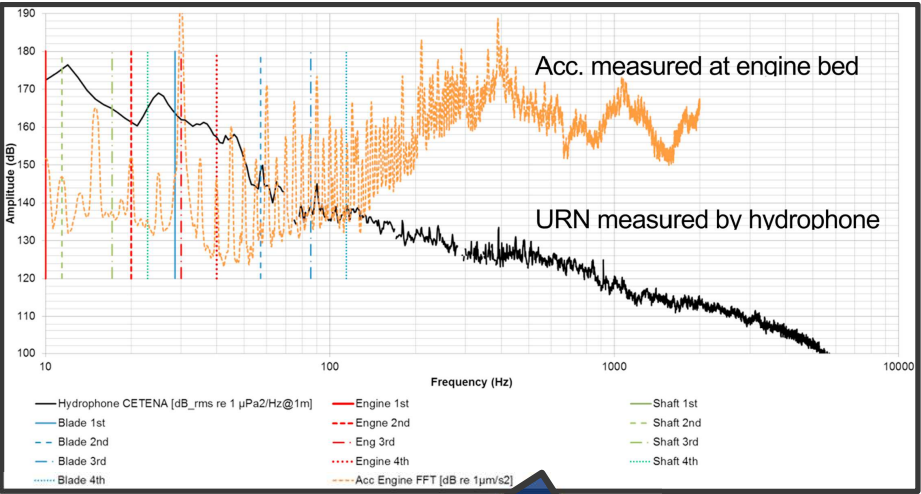
*Hydrodynamic Propeller
Noise Monitoring System*

On-board vibrations
for URN estimation

Condition monitoring
technology
Technology established in field



Correlation between
structure-borne noise
and URN
Known from experimental data



“On-board measurement techniques to quantify underwater radiated noise level”, Turkmen et Al., Ocean Engineering, 2017

→ Functional Prototype System for on-board URN live monitoring

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Input and Calibration

Estimation of URN

- Requires calibration for each vessel
- Accuracy depends on input parameters

Installed System



Calibration

Relevant operation:

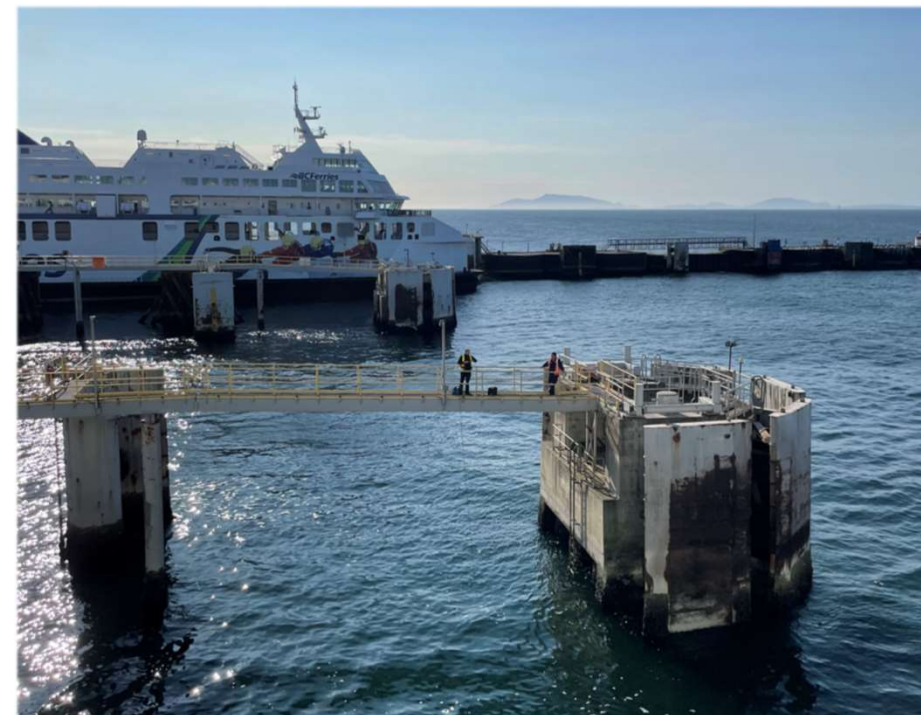
- Vessel speeds
- Vessel draft
- Water depths
- Near structures
- ...

Input

Improves prediction:

- **Vibration (min.)**
- **Internet**
- rpm
- Pitch
- Position
- Rudder angle
- Power
- Speed in water
- Draft
- Trim

Calibration at Berthing



Calibration in Transit

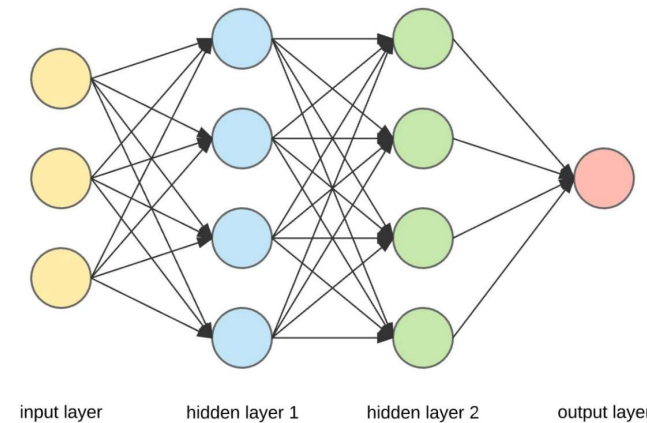


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Usability

Data Processing

- On-board measurement and processing
- Cloud-based storage and evaluation
- AI-ready processing (depends on calibration data)
- Continuous improvements with over-the-air updates



Data Output

- Live Feedback to crew or operator
- Historic evaluation of vessel noise
- Fleet scale noise management



Option 1
Bridge Panel



Option 2
Bridge Computer

6/21/2021 7:18:17 AM MariHub	
Portside (SRP-123456)	Starboard (SRP-123457)
Temperatures BearingTemp 1 45.2 °C BearingTemp 2 47.4 °C Oil 56.3 °C Water in lube oil 27 % Speed 1282 rpm Operating hours Thruster 2545 h Noise level 160dB	Temperatures BearingTemp 1 46.7 °C BearingTemp 2 48.3 °C Oil 57.9 °C Water in lube oil 34 % Speed 1325 rpm Operating hours Thruster 2519 h Noise level 120dB

Option 3
Mobile Device

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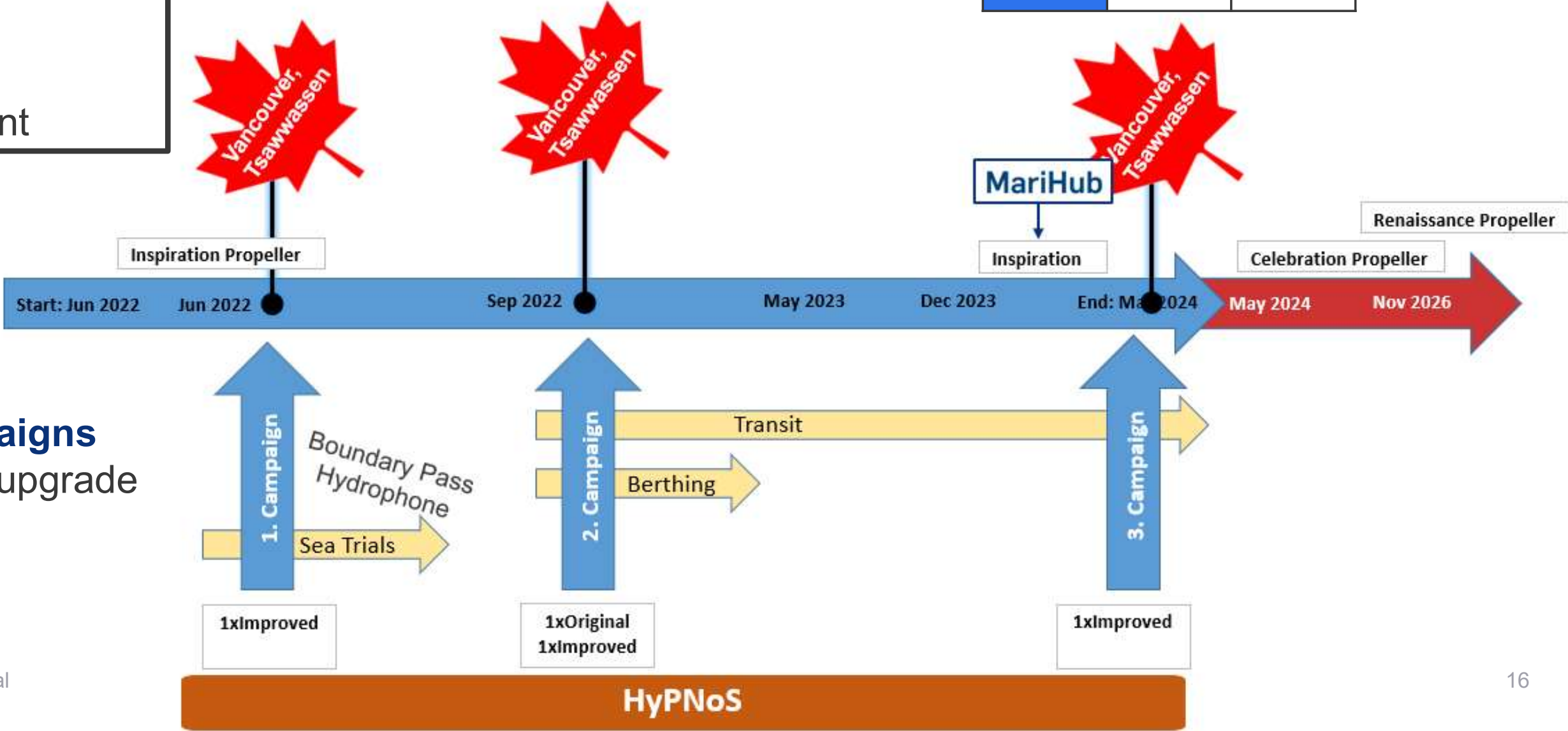
Timeline of Research Project

1. Simulations and measurements
- ↓
2. Developing the algorithm
- ↓
3. Installing prototype
- ↓
4. Validation measurement



LoA	159	m
Width	27.4	m
Draft	5.3	m
Power	11	MW

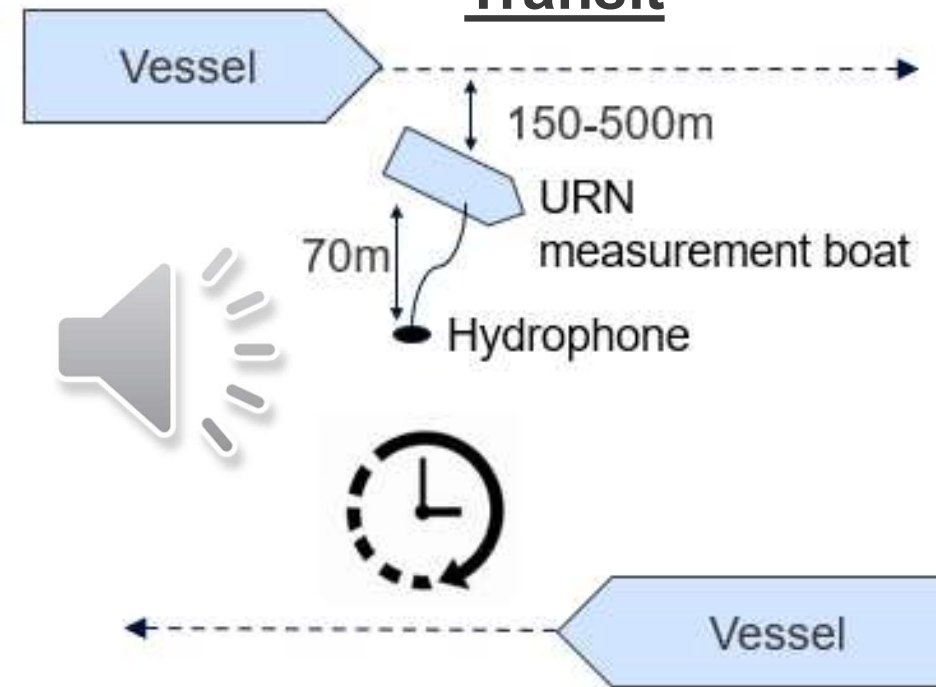
3 Measurement campaigns
Connected to quarter life upgrade



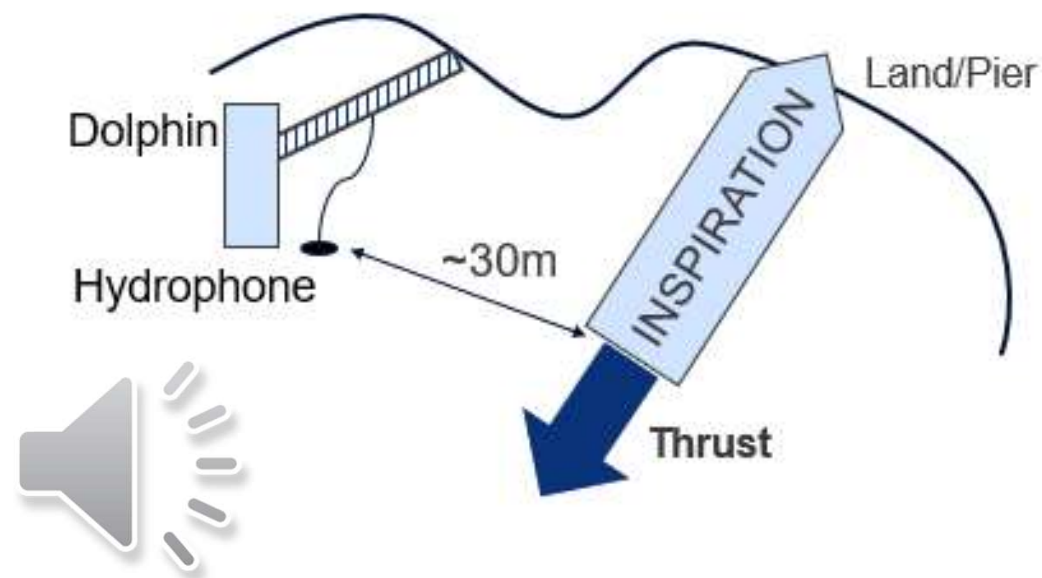
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HYPNOS - Development Measurements

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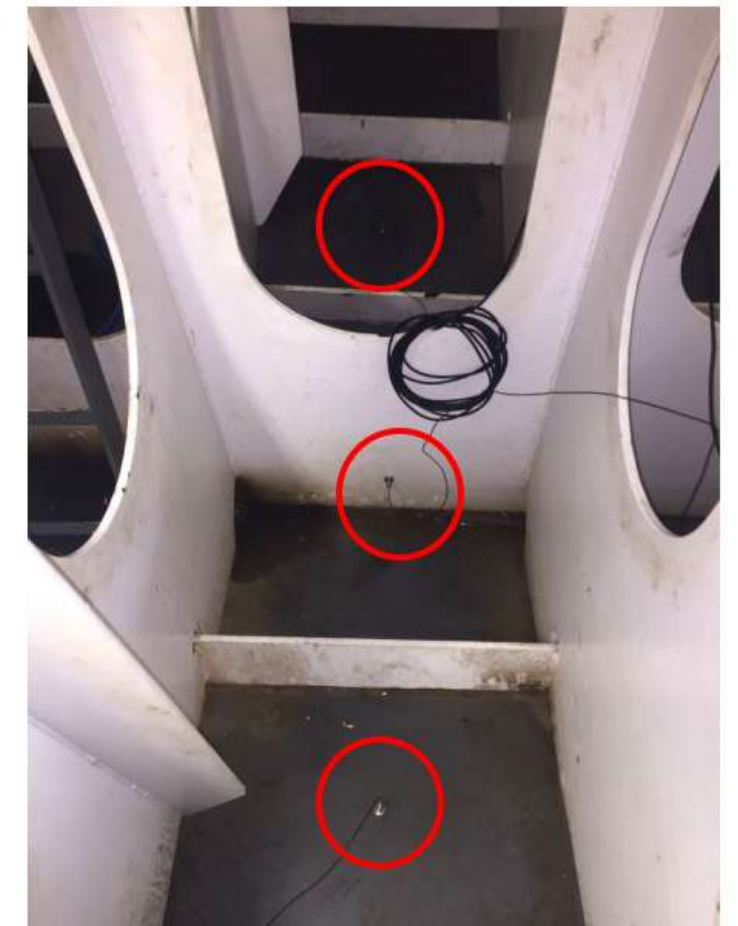
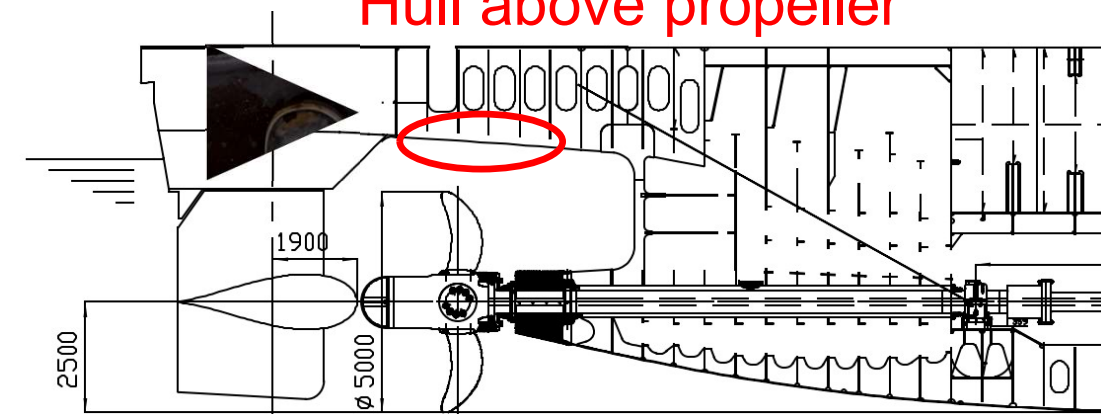


Berthing



On-Board

Hull above propeller



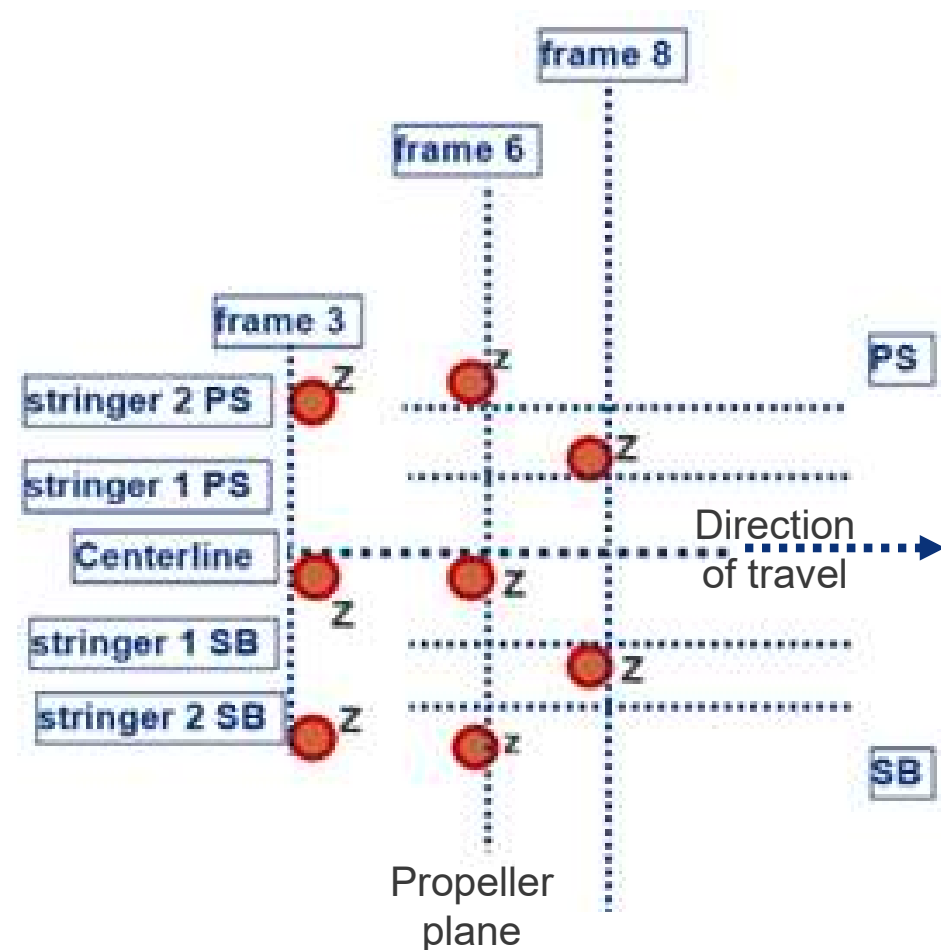
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Vibration Data

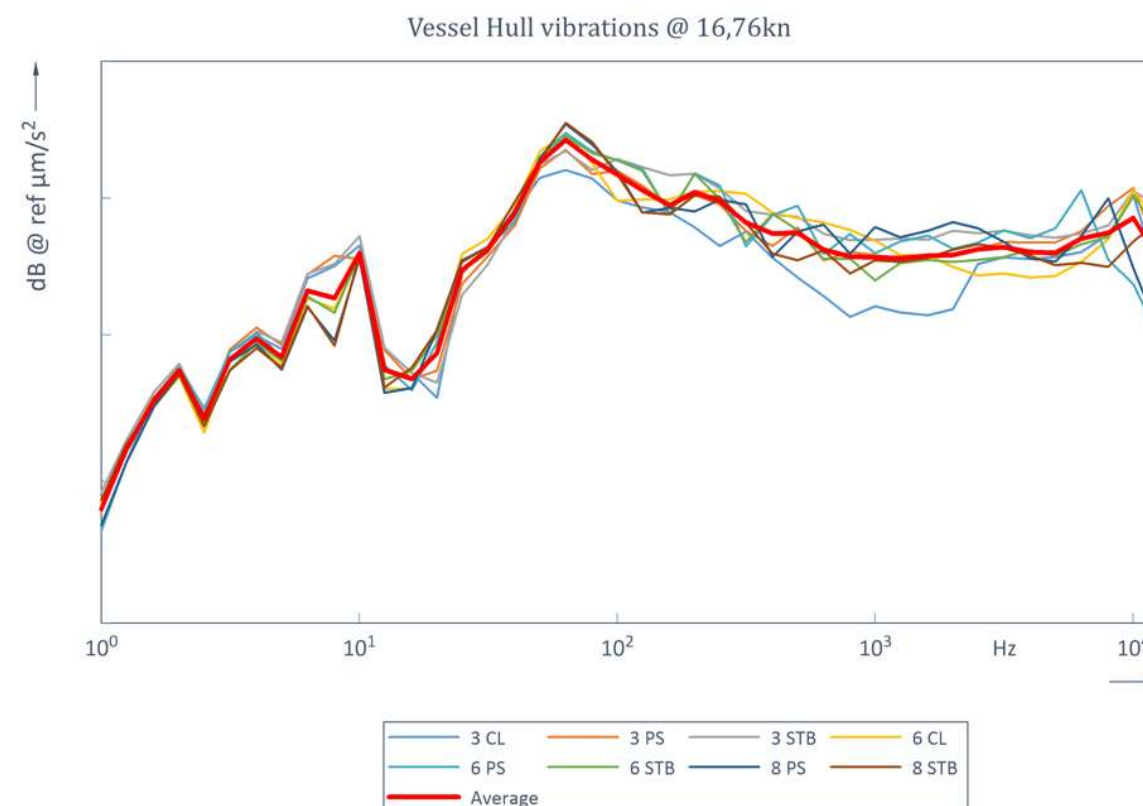
Measurement Locations

- Initial vibration measurements with 8 measuring locations and 12 sensors
- Reduced to 2 for final system

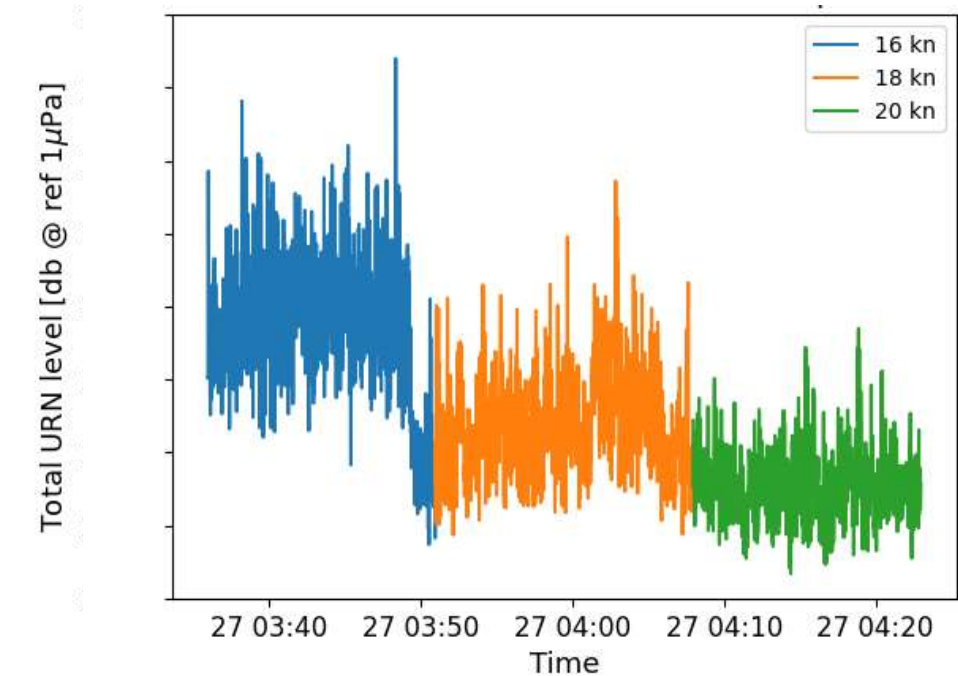
Map of vibration sensors above propeller



Very high correlation between sensors
→ Only one sensor needed for final system



Change of vibration pattern with vessel speed



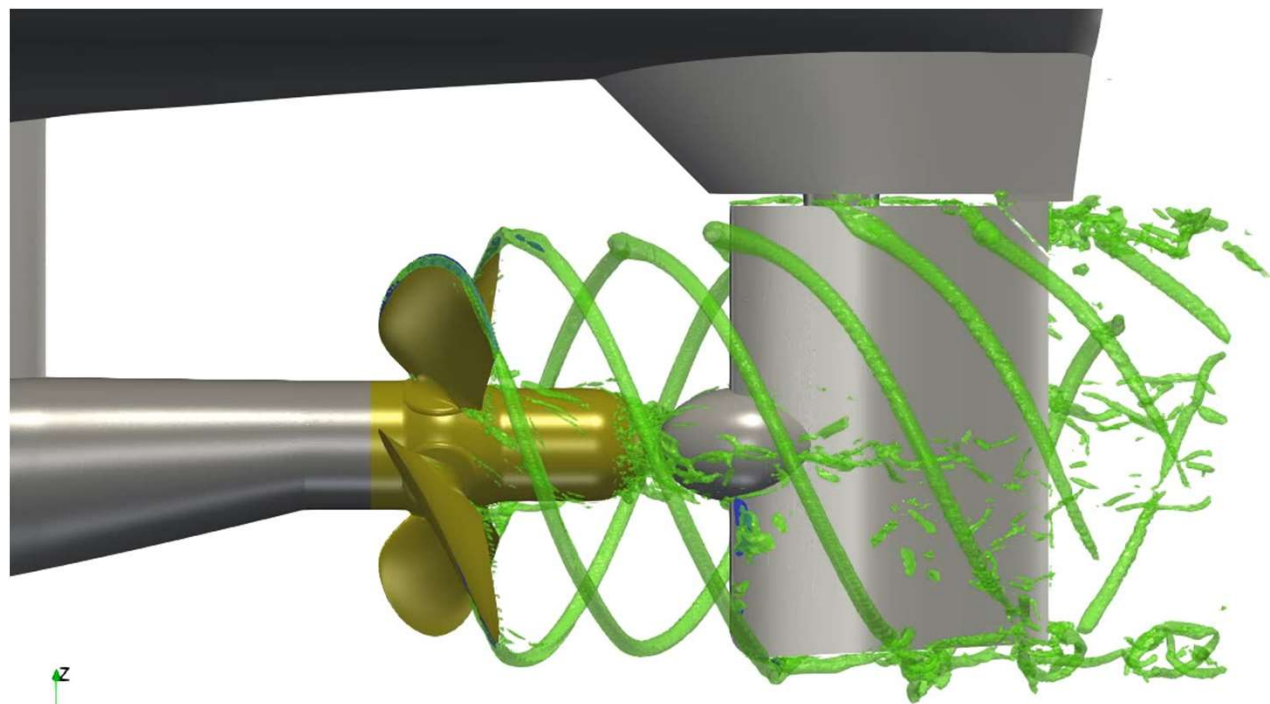
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Hull Vibration Simulations

Pressure Pulses on Hull

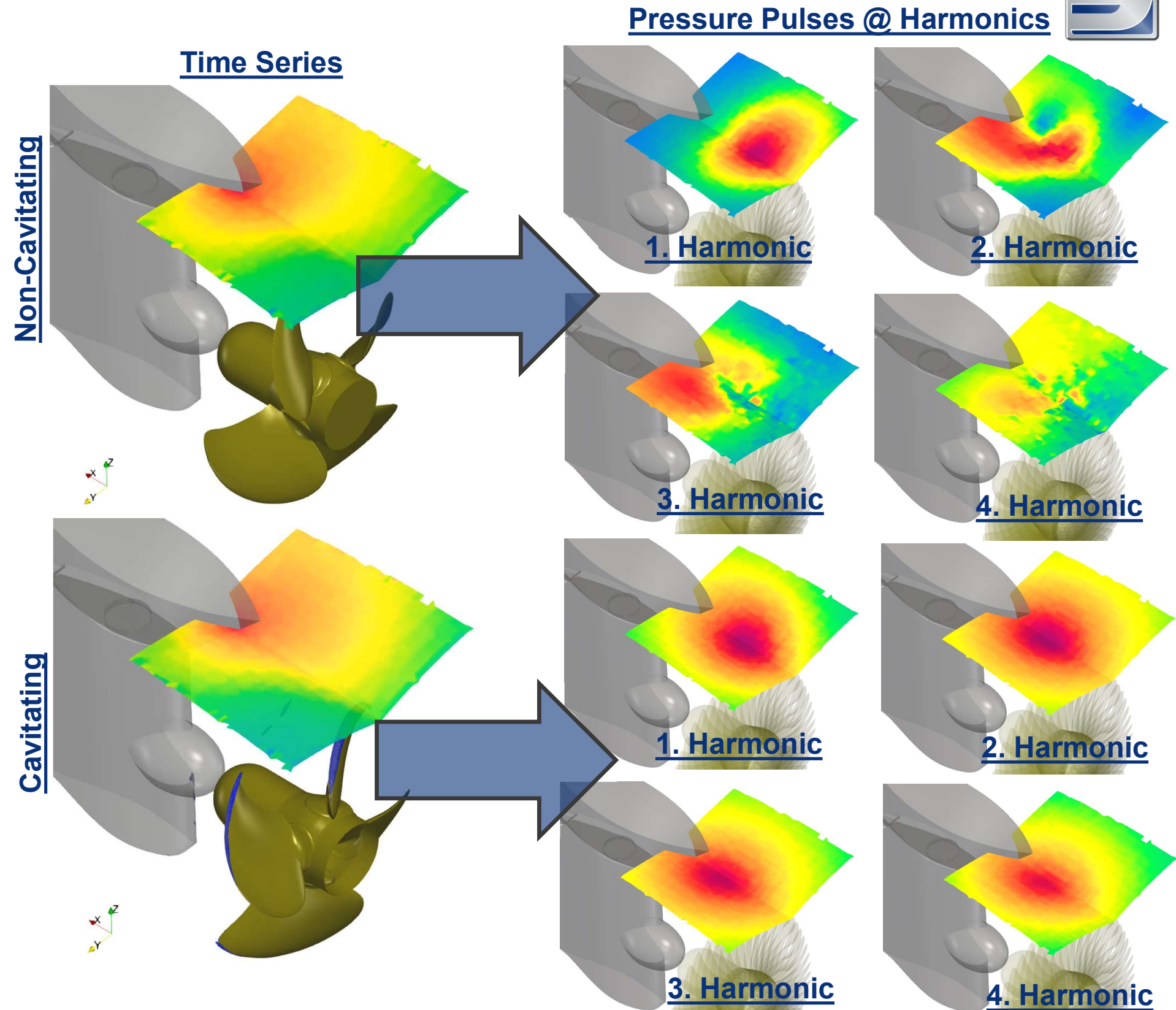
→ Hydrodynamic On-Board vibrations contain:

- Propeller
- Vessel
- Cavitation



 Vortices

 Cavitation

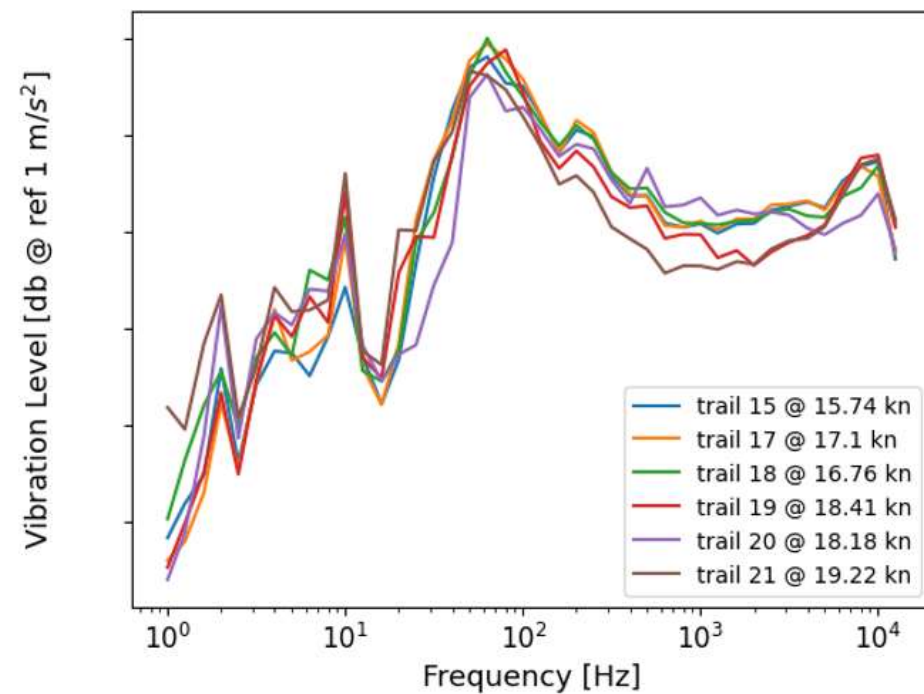


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Prediction Algorithm

Vibration data

At different vessel speeds

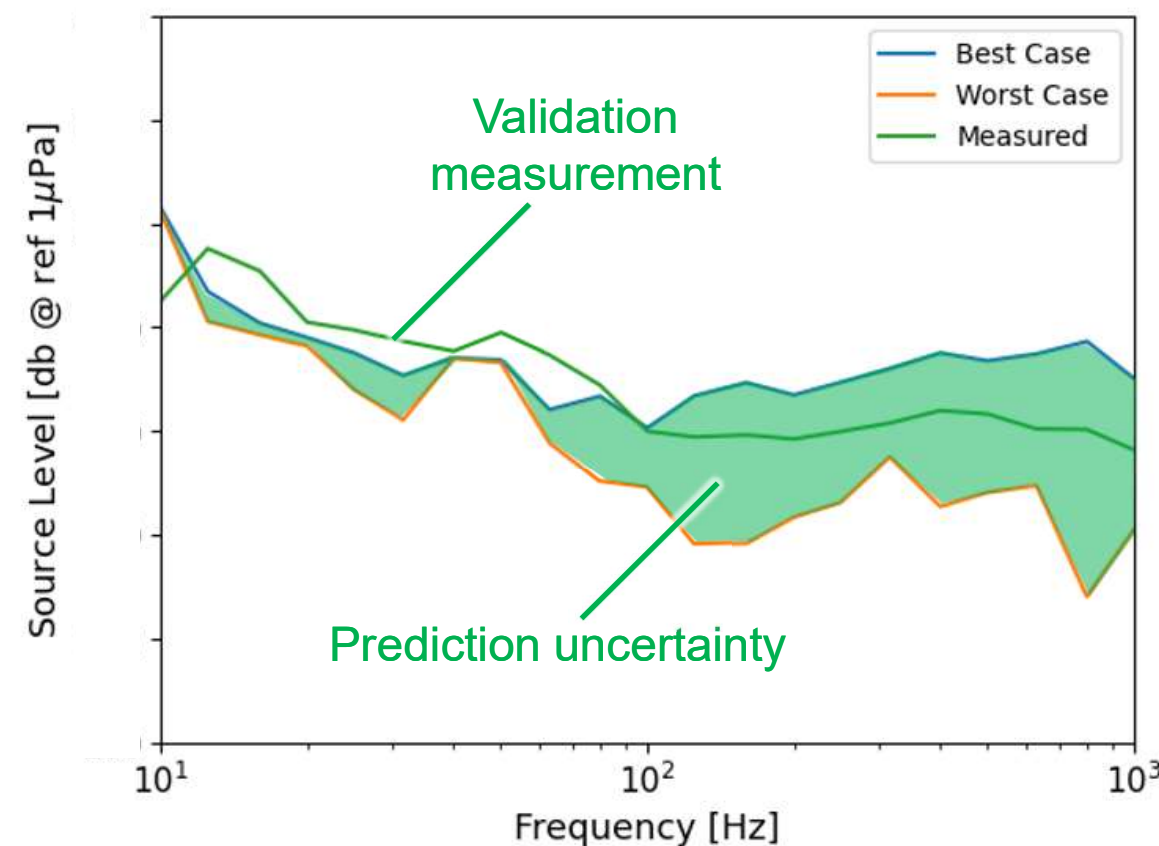


- Comparison of prediction with validation measurement
- at vessel design speed

Research with one input parameter: Vibration
Not ideal for real application

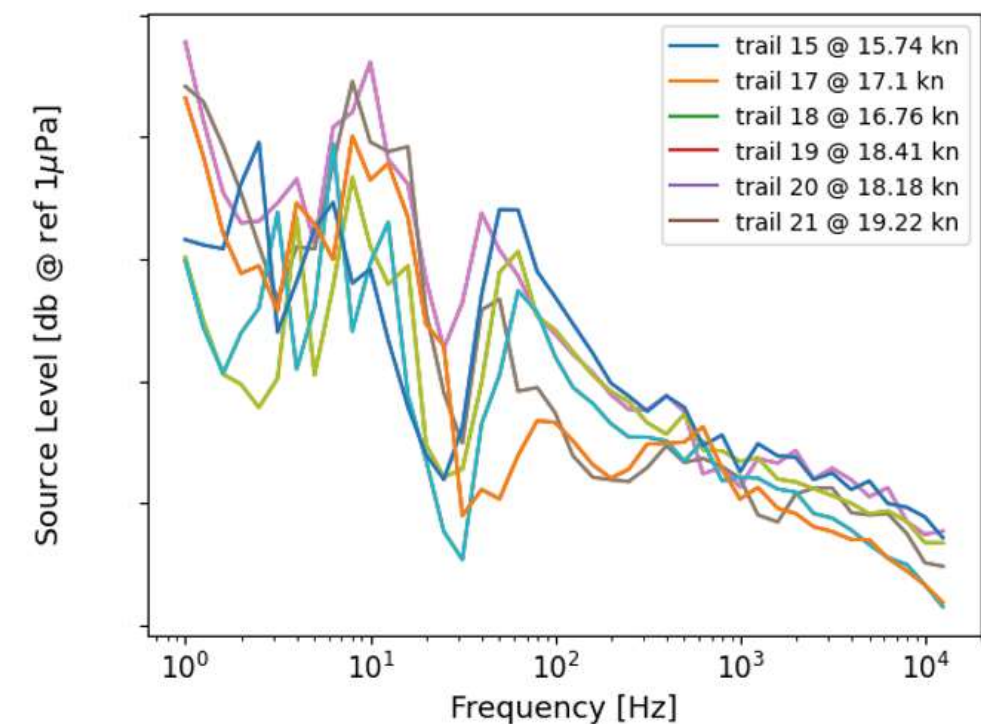


Prediction



URN data

At different vessel speeds



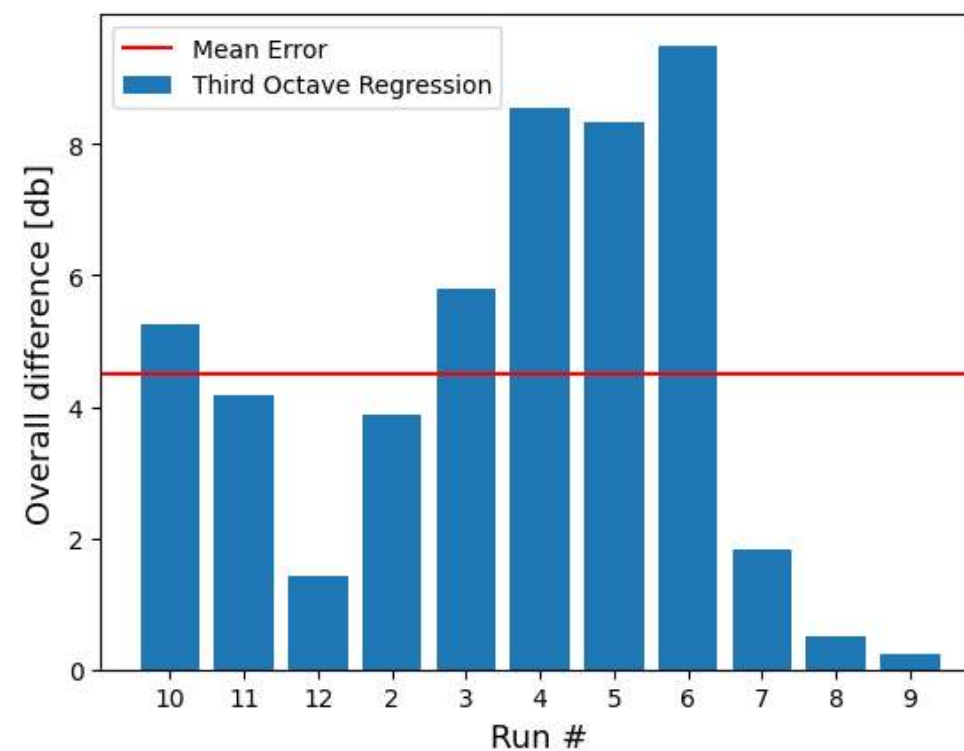
- Good agreement across complete frequency range
- Larger uncertainty at higher frequencies $f > 100\text{Hz}$

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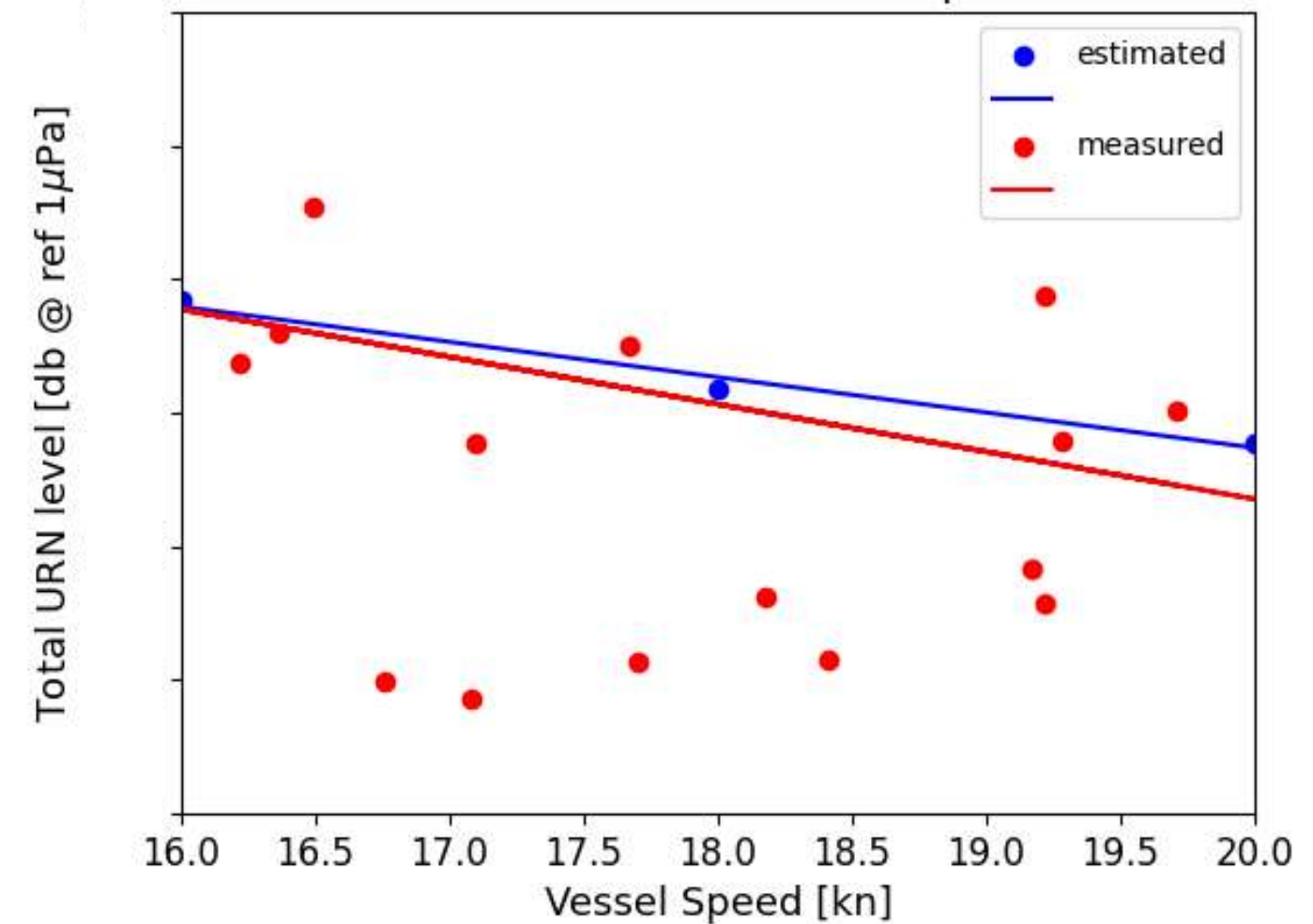
Accuracy

- System achieves mean error of <5dB
- Overall result depends on vessel speed
- Accuracy is vessel specific
- Accuracy increases with:
 - Input parameters
 - Calibration data

Error for different test runs



Accuracy over vessel speed



HYPNOS - APPLICATIONS

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Example Noise Sensitive Projects

Container Vessel

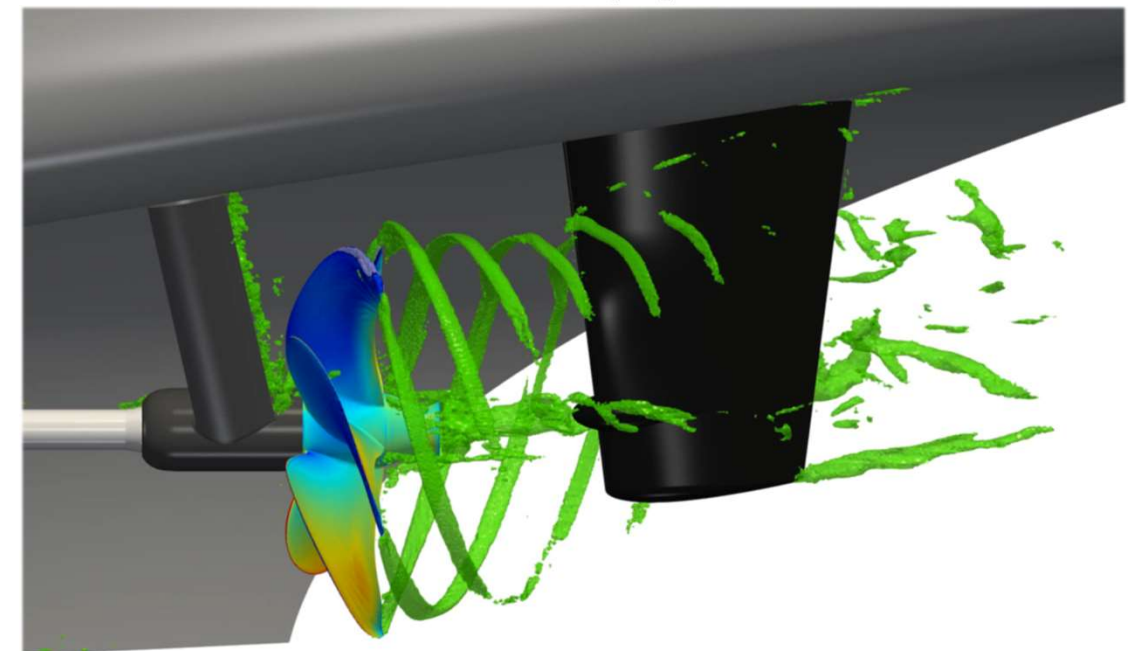
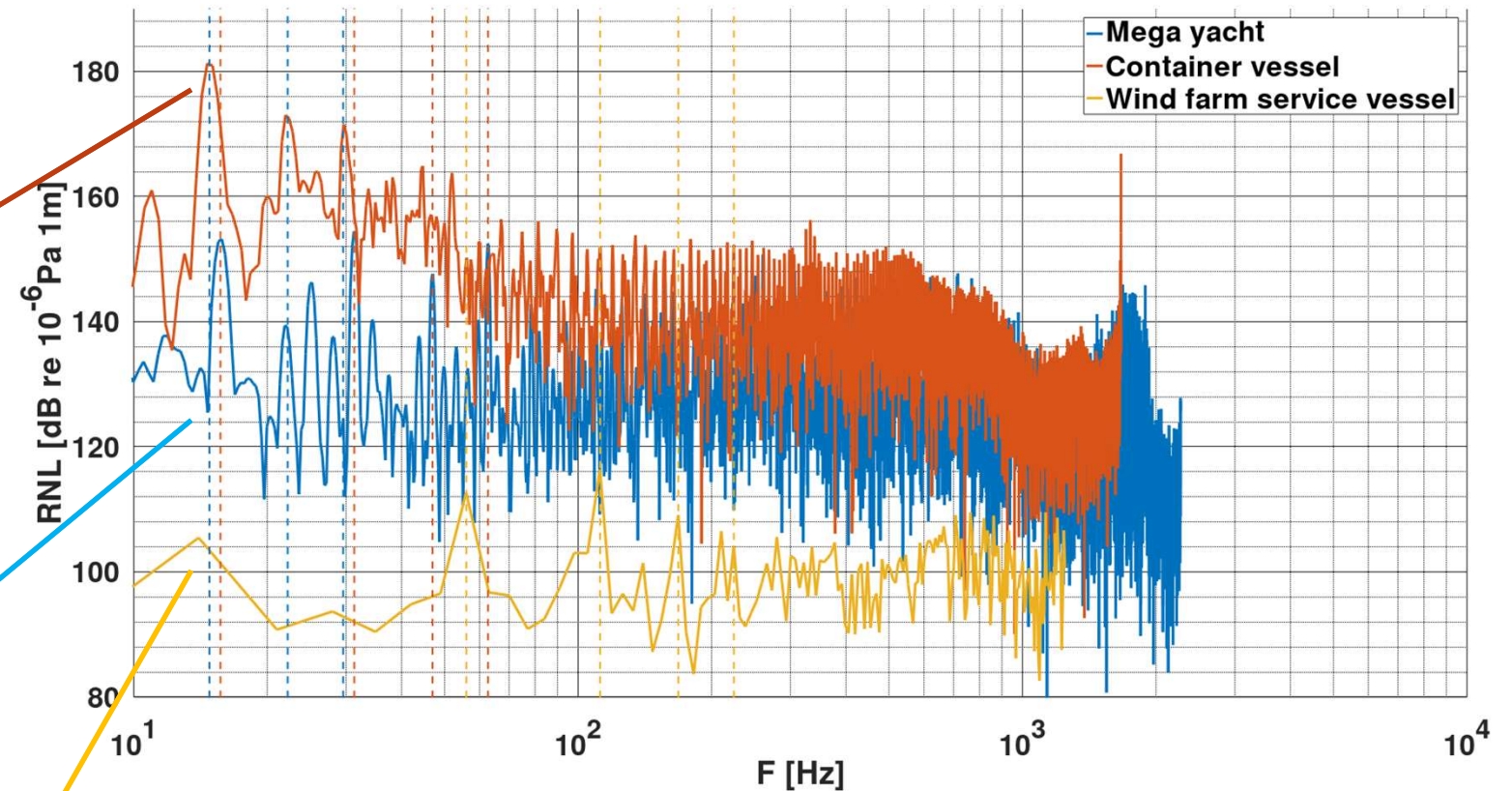
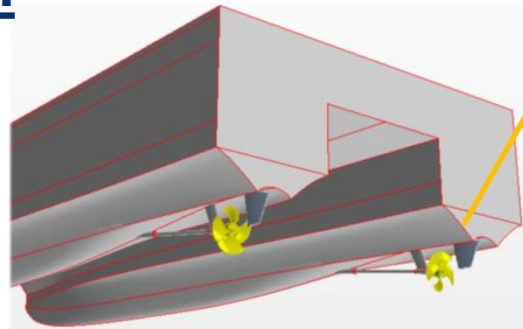
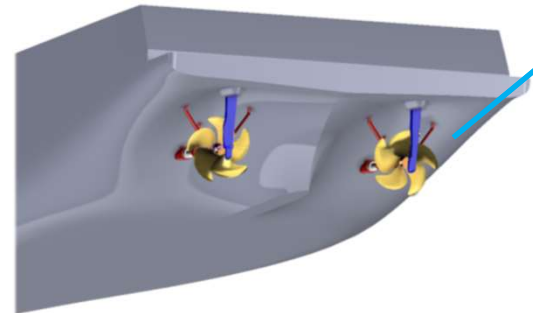
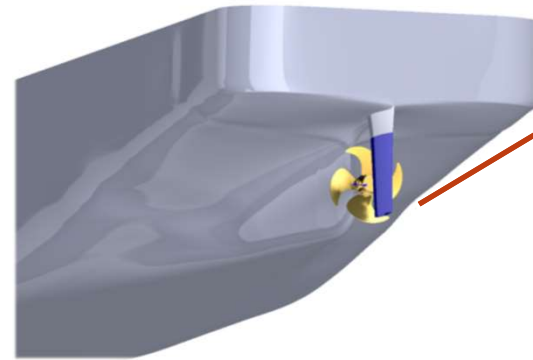
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 $v_S = 18.5kn$
 $n = 111rpm$
 $P \approx 7.800kW$

Mega Yacht

$D_P = 4.3m$
 $v_S = 21.0kn$
 $n = 188rpm$
 $P \approx 11.000kW$

Wind Farm Service Catamaran

$D_P = 0.98m$
 $v_S = 19.9kn$
 $n = 840rpm$
 $P \approx 520kW$

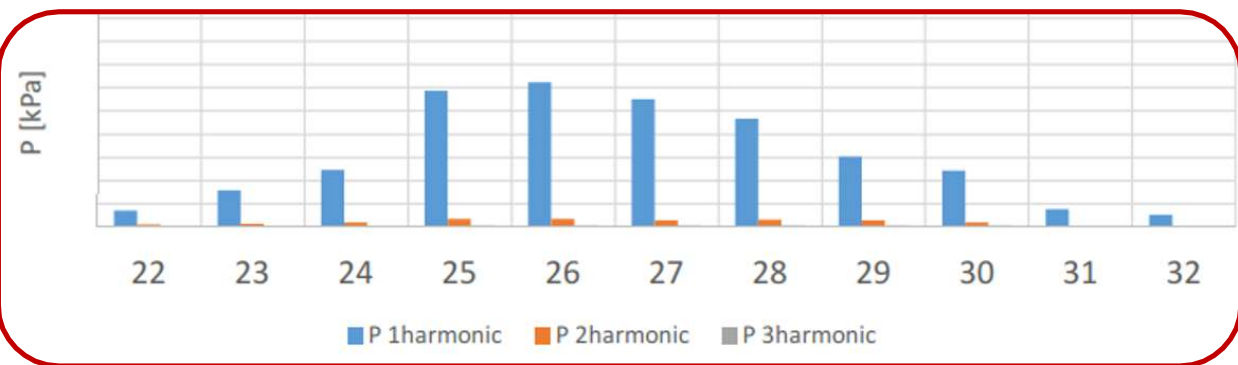
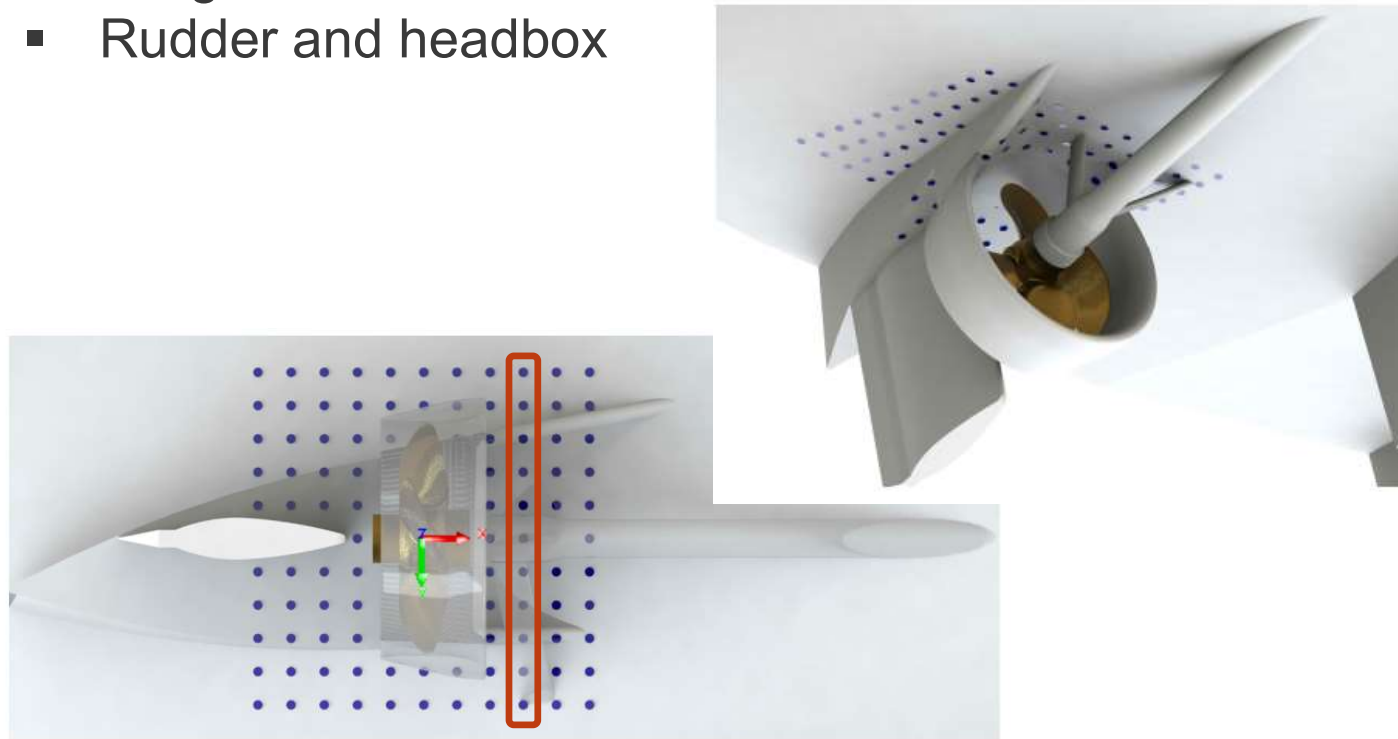


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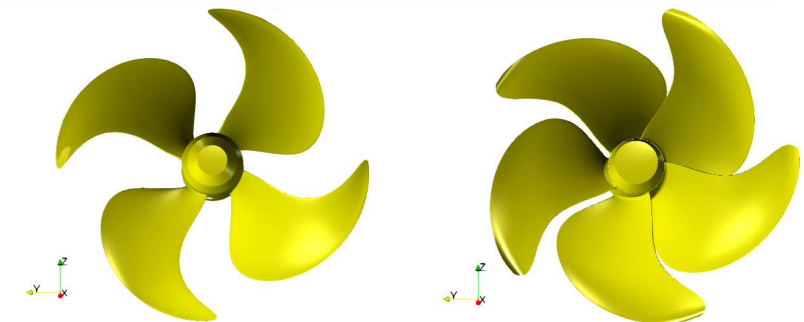
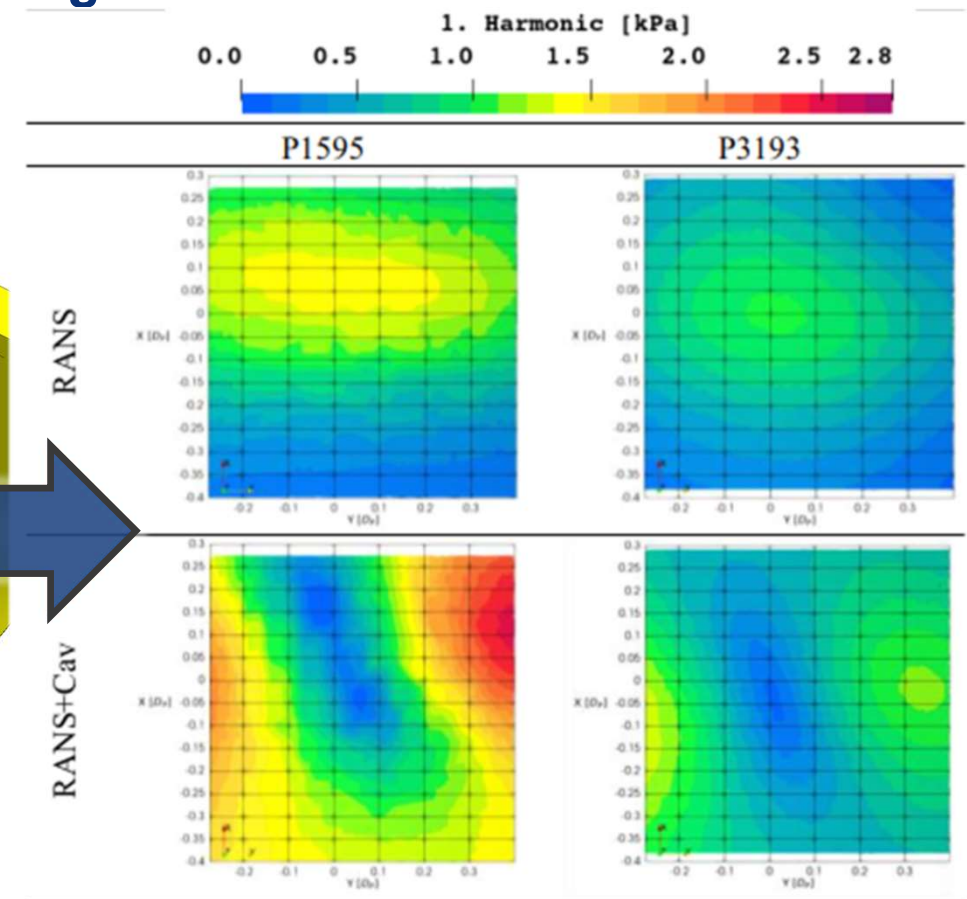
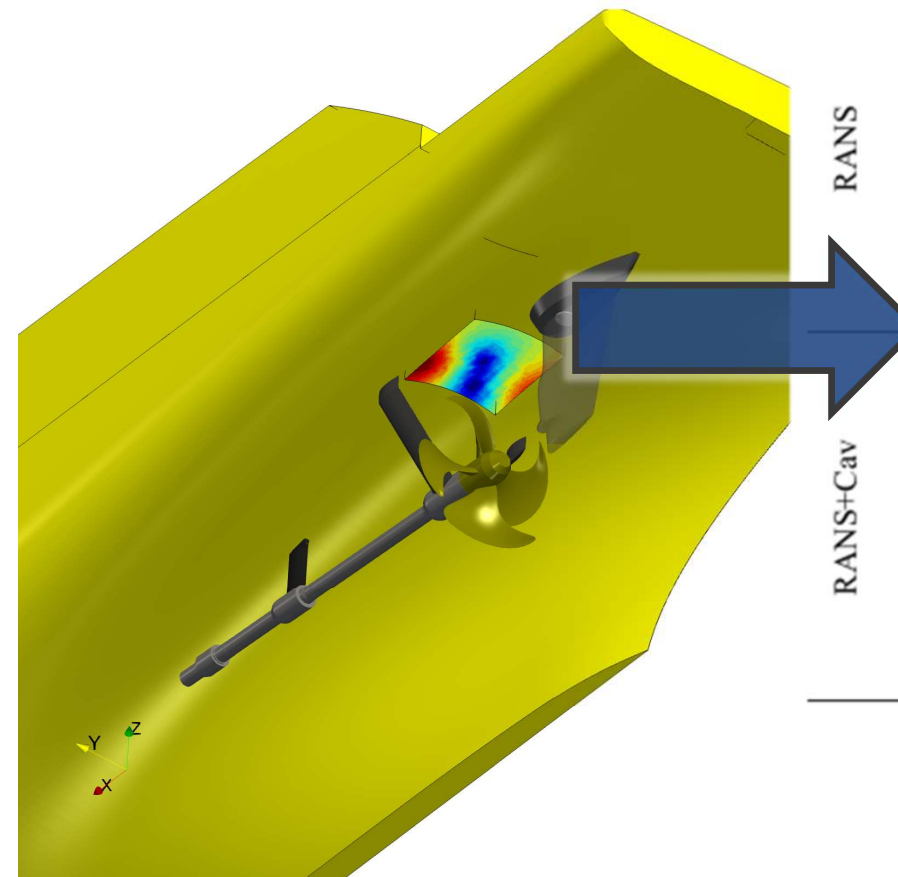
Dredger

- Twin screw conventional propeller, type SCP 65/4XG
- Integrated duct SDV45
- Rudder and headbox



Mega Yacht

- Comparison of two propeller designs
- SCP without duct

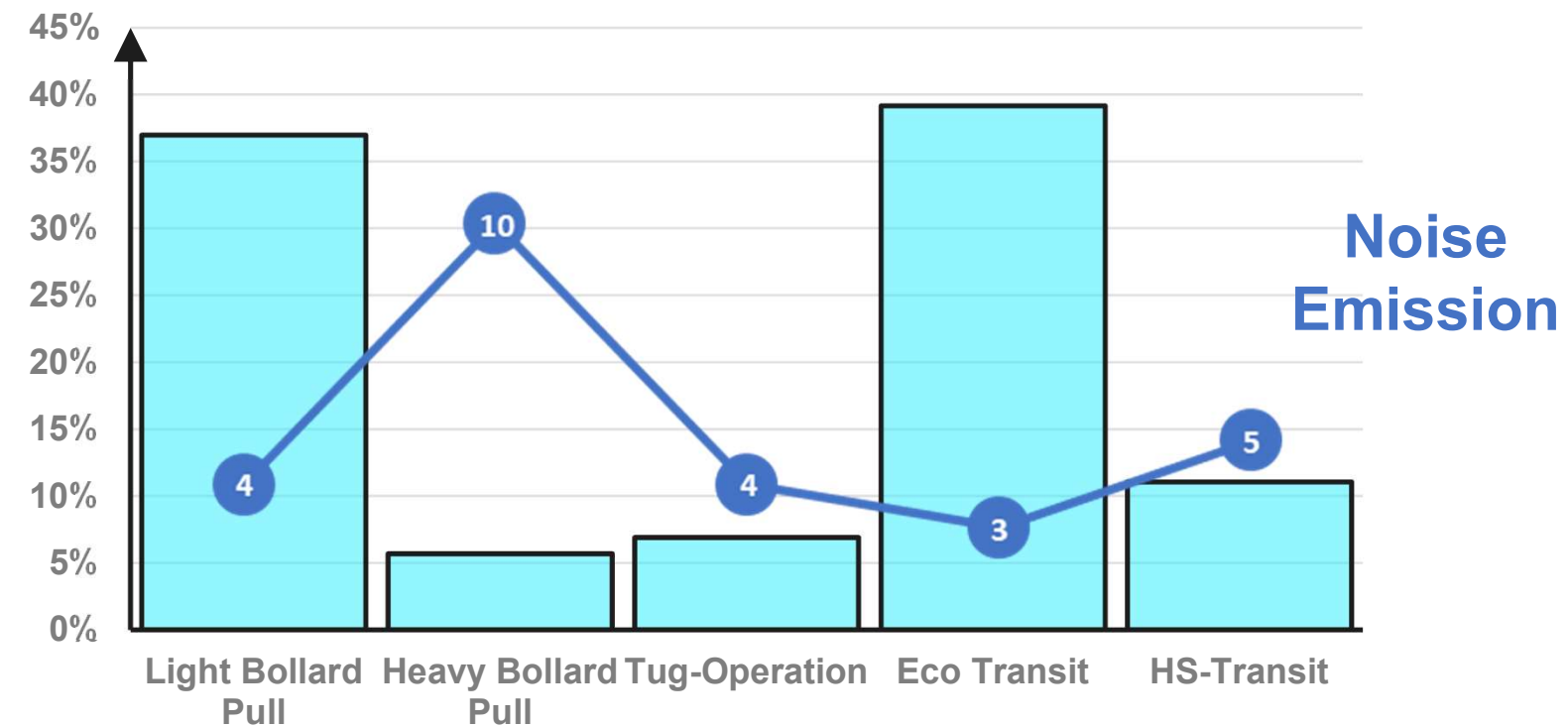


HYPNOS - Applications

On-Board Monitoring in Tug Applications

- Large installed power → Noise
- High variability in operation profile:
 - High noise at BP
 - Low noise in idling
- Highly localized noise emission events
- Short time noise events
- Operation near coastal waters: Habitat of marine mammals and fish

Typical Tug Operation Profile



SUMMARY

Summary

HyPNoS – Research Project

- Explores correlation of URN with vibration
- Prototype on-board live URN monitoring system
- Prediction based on one-time calibration measurements
- Calibration at relevant operation conditions
- Cloud based data evaluation
- AI-ready prediction algorithm

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