

MONITORING OF METEO, HYDRODYNAMIC AND WATER QUALITY DATA IN COASTAL AREAS

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INTRODUCTION

✓ WHY is monitoring necessary?

1. Knowledge of the main physical processes typical of the target costal site (cyclic and recursive)
2. Continuous information on ordinary state of target costal site, but also during accidents and special scheduled operations ➡ possibility of intervention
3. Calibration and validation of numerical models ➡ forecasting and future scenarios
4. Support for local authorities in coastal planning, management and in situ decision-making

INTRODUCTION

✓ Where is monitoring needed most?

1. Areas exposed to strong anthropic pressure due to urbanization, heavy industry, touristic and commercial ports, military naval dockyard...
➔ Highly vulnerable (urban, industrial discharges, naval traffic)
2. Areas with naturalistic value, precious ecosystems and environmental heritage
3. Areas exposed to natural hazards including flooding, storm impacts, sea-level rise, coastal erosion or sediment deposit
4. Coastal basins and inlets, especially sensitive to human activity and climate change because of their semi enclosed shapes and lagoon characteristics



DAL MERCANTILE PANAMENSE «EAST CASTLE» ORMEGGIATO IN PORTO SONO FUORIUSCITE 30 TONNELLATE DI CARBURANTE

Chiazza di nafta in Mar Grande

Paura a Taranto

«Per un errore». Cozze a rischio

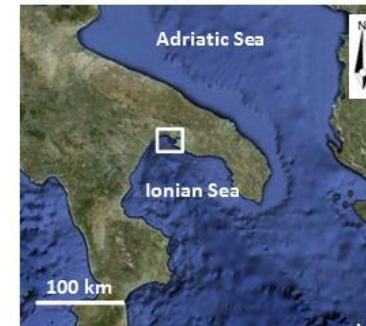


- Nicastro: il disastro è stato scongiurato RICCO A PAGINA 3 >>
- Città in ginocchio fra polveri e gas COLUCCI A PAGINA 3 >>
- Tuonano i Verdi «Fatto gravissimo» A PAGINA 3 >>

GIGANTE CON ALTRI SERVIZI ALLE PAGINE 2 E 3 >> MAR GRANDE: Si cerca in tutti i modi di arginare la chiazza di carburante

TARGET AREA

✓ Mar Grande and Mar Piccolo basins (Ionian Sea)



- Mar Grande (max depth ~35m)
- Mar Piccolo (max depth ~15m)
- joined by two channels
- Mar Grande borders two openings are present: NW 100m and SW 400m
- complex topography
- vulnerable (urban, industrial discharges, naval traffic)

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MEASURING STATIONS

- ✓ **Mar Grande meteo-oceanographic station (St. O)**
 - from Dec 2013, (40°27.6'N and 17°12.9'E), h~26m
 - equipped with:

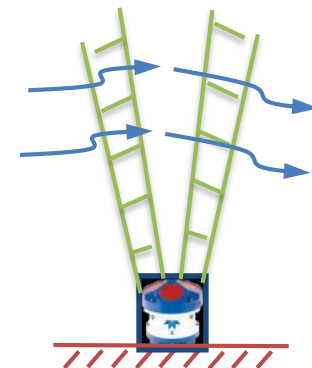


Weather system: ultrasonic sensor for wind; barometric pressure sensor; temperature/humidity probe (at 1.5m above surface)

Bottom mounted ADCP: current speed and direction along vertical (bins 0.50m). Transducer at 0.50m above seafloor, upward facing. Pressure sensor.

Multidirectional Wavemeter: Depth cells are array of sensors to detect wave magnitude and direction

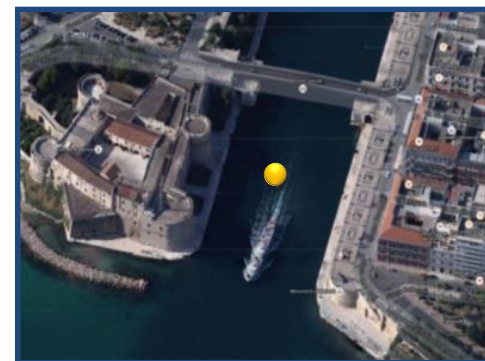
Water quality sensor: CTD (Conductivity Temperature Depth) Sensor of BOD, Fluorimeter, Sensor for Turbidity and Chlorophyll. At 5m from surface.



Data are hourly-averaged
Sampling rate 5Hz

MEASURING STATIONS

- ✓ **Mar Piccolo station in Navigable Channel (St. N)**
 - from May 2014, (40°27.6'N and 17°12.9'E), h~12m
 - equipped with:



Bottom mounted ADCP

Wavemeter

Ultrasonic tide gauge



Acoustic frequency of both ADCPs 600KHz
 Velocity accuracy 0.3%
 Tide gauge resolution 1mm; accuracy ±1cm

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System managed by research unit of Coastal Engineering Laboratory (LIC) of Polytechnic University of Bari, DICATECh

www.michelemossa.it/stazionemeteo.php
www.michelemossa.it/stazionemeteo2.php

MEASURING STATIONS: data acquisition and transmission

- 1. Data are processed in real time by LISC datalogger.
- 2. Marlin software connects to datalogger to take measured data, to process on site and give them back

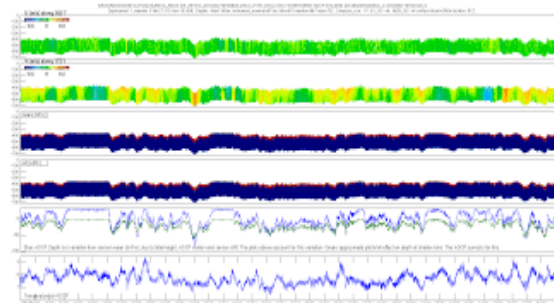


- 3. Communication with remote systems by means of cellular modem 3G, connected to datalogger, sending data on the internet web.

Modem 3G



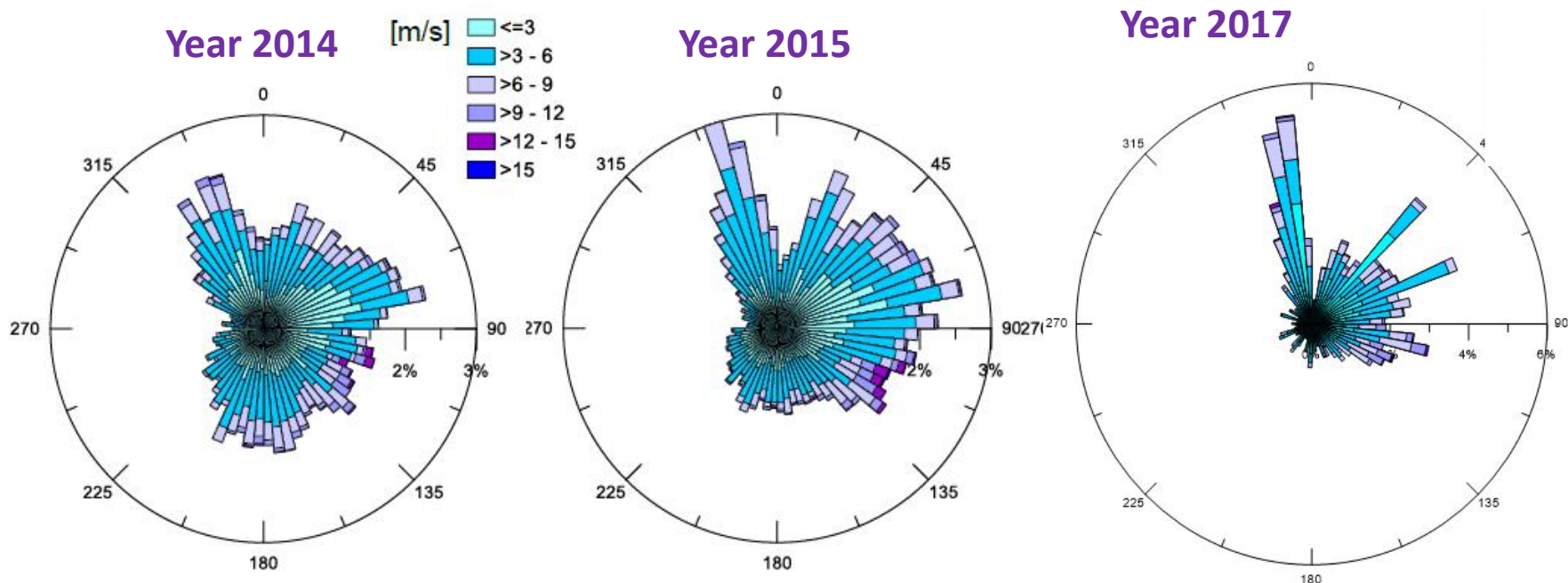
- 4. Communications towards remote systems is managed by software ROCS, calling datalogger, to download acquired data and to check or change acquisition parameters.



DATA ANALYSIS with classical and well known procedure

MAR GRANDE St. O: Winds (incoming direction shown)



- ✓ Annual rose plot: winds from NNW most frequent, max ~9m/s moderately frequent spanning clockwise from NNE to E most intense Sirocco winds (12-15 m/s), but less frequent.
- ✓ Distribution confirmed annually

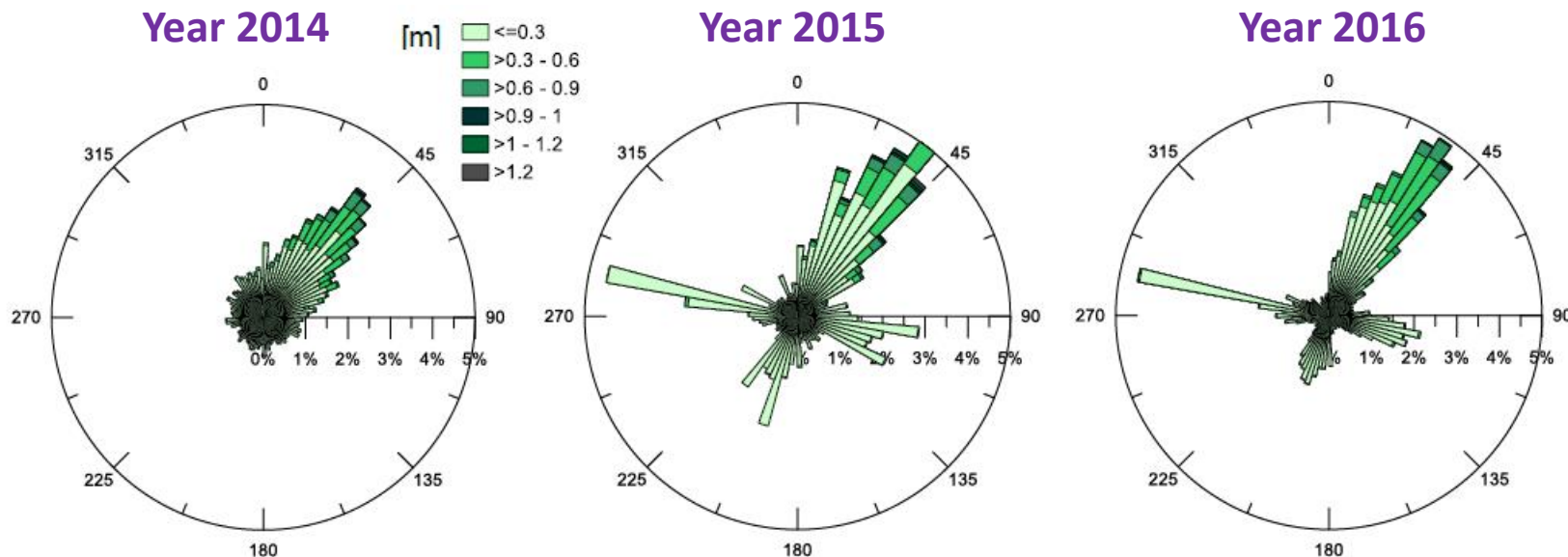


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MAR GRANDE St. O: Waves (propagation direction shown)

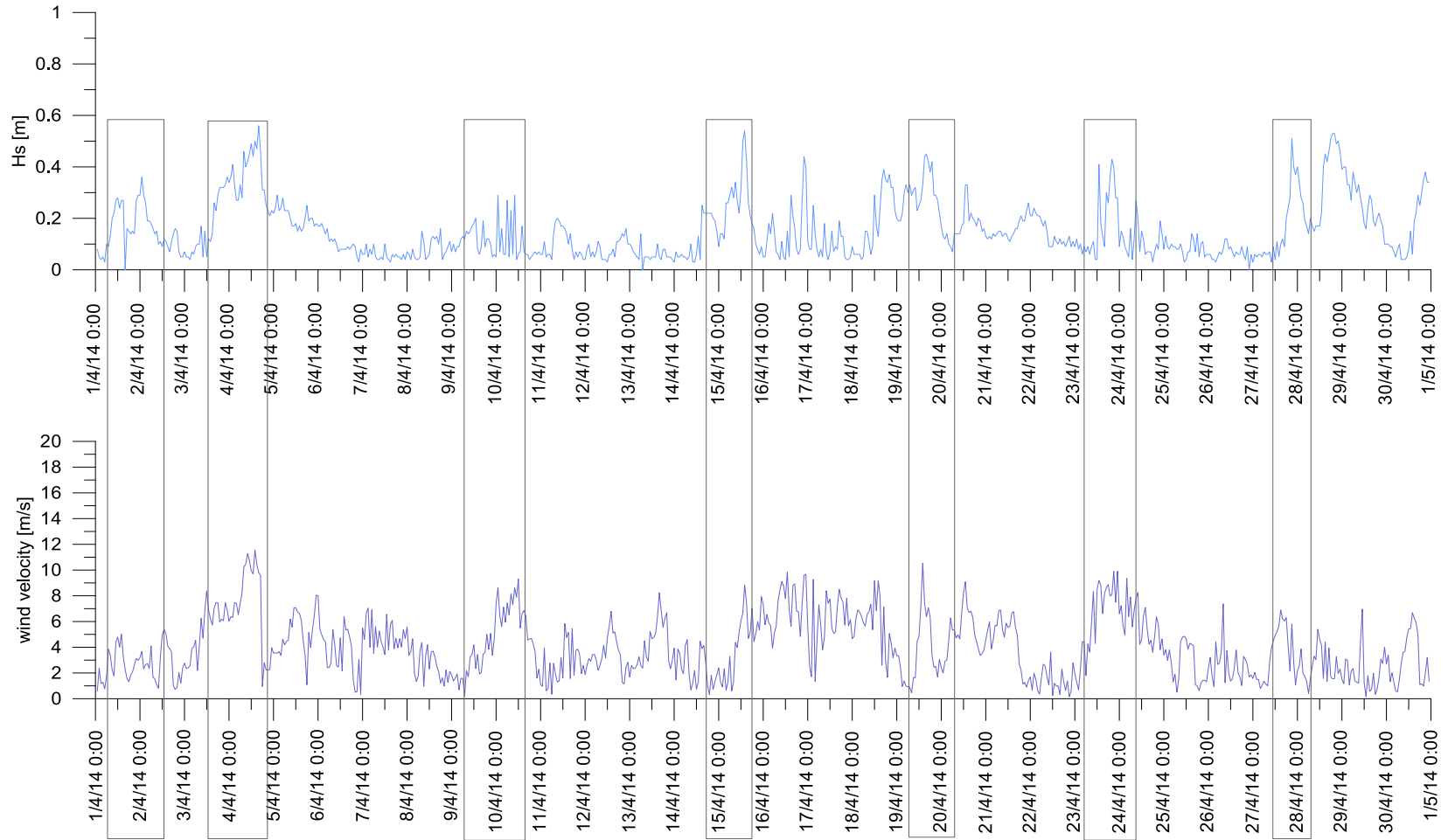
- ✓ Shape of basin and location of St. O  wind waves rare due to short fetches and dominant landward winds. Basin dominated by swell waves, entering from the SW opening and propagating inside.
- ✓ Confirmed by annual polar plots of the significant wave heights H_s  most frequent and highest waves from SW, consistently with opening.
- ✓ Annual typical behavior



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DATA ANALYSIS – time series

MAR GRANDE St. O - Waves and wind direct comparison

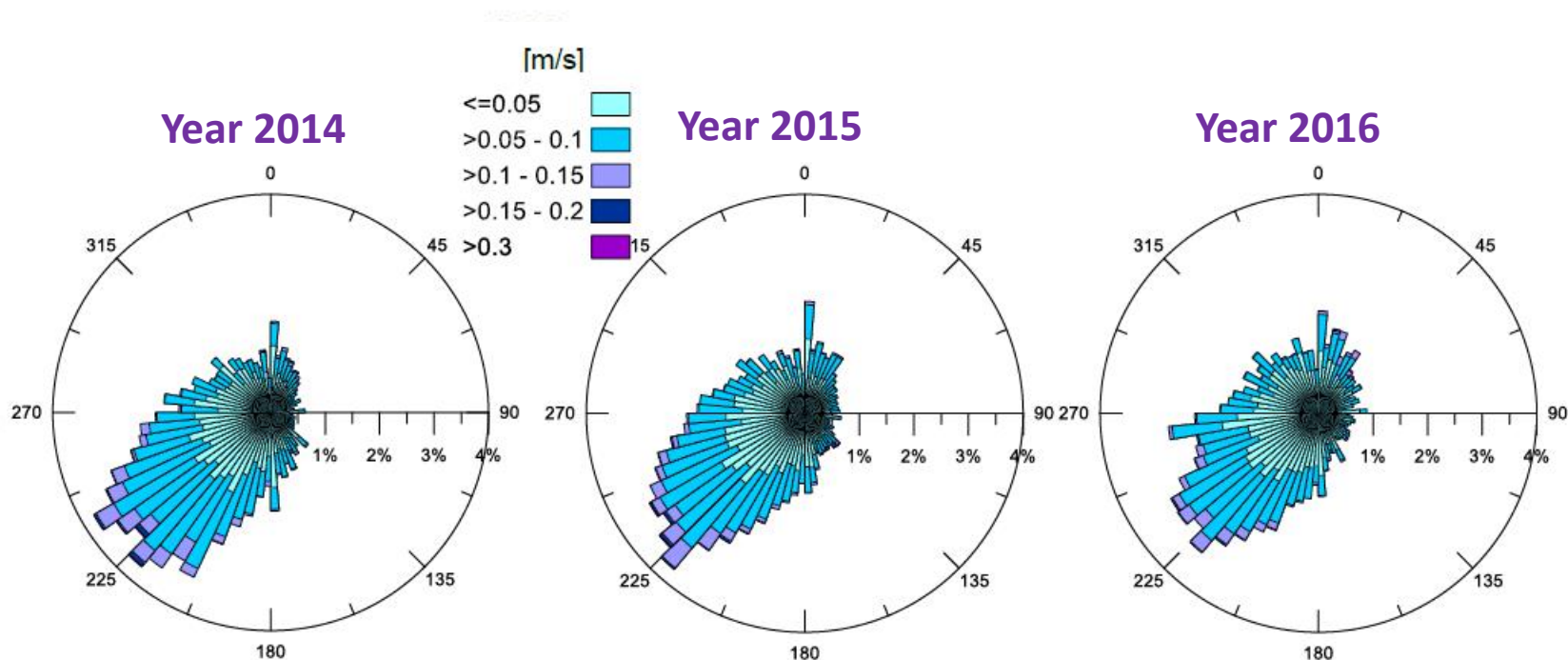


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MAR GRANDE St. O: Currents (propagation direction shown)

- ✓ Typical annual behavior of bottom currents
- ✓ Bottom velocities converge towards SW, flowing outside
- ✓ Annual surface currents propagating clockwise (S to N), affected by moderate winds

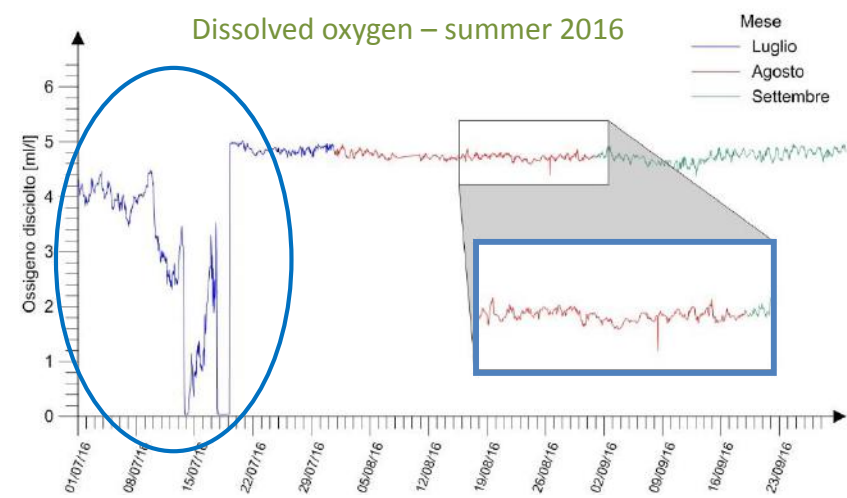
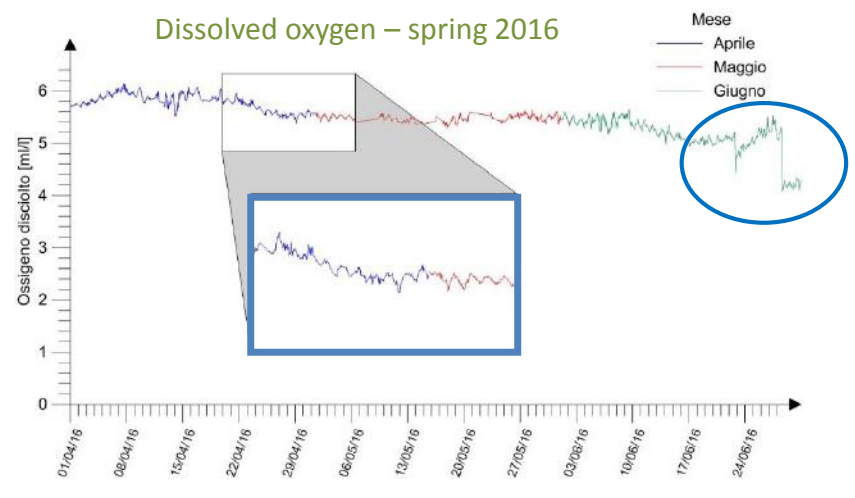
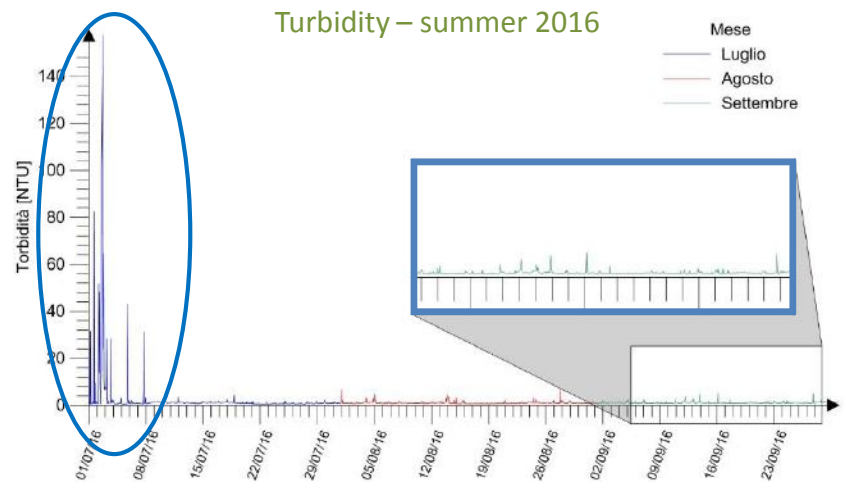
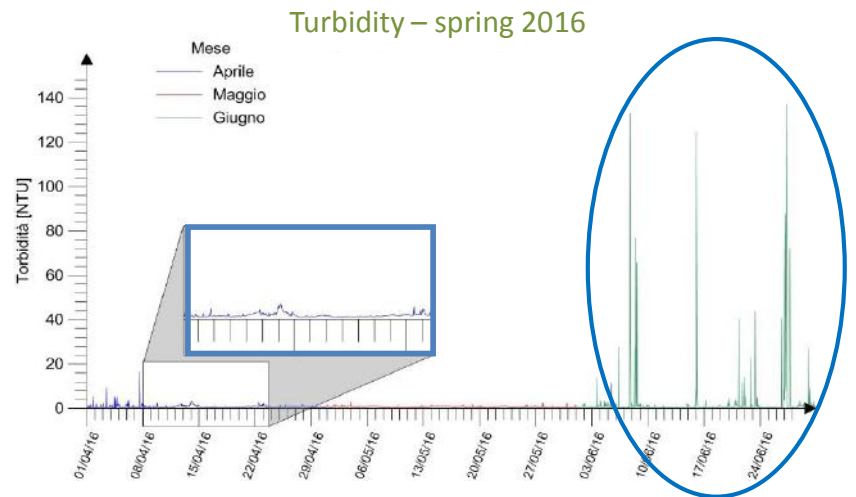


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DATA ANALYSIS MAR GRANDE St. O: Scalars

✓ Consistent seasonal behavior

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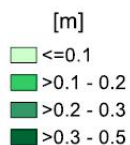
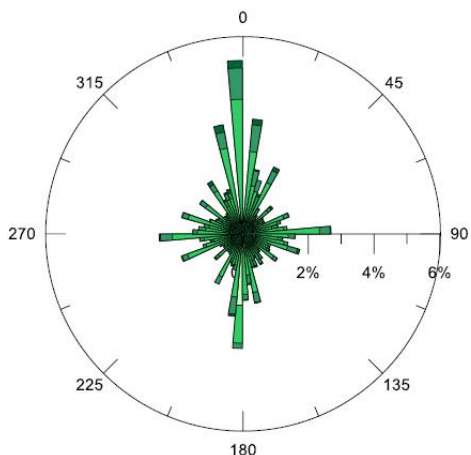
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MAR PICCOLO St. N: Waves

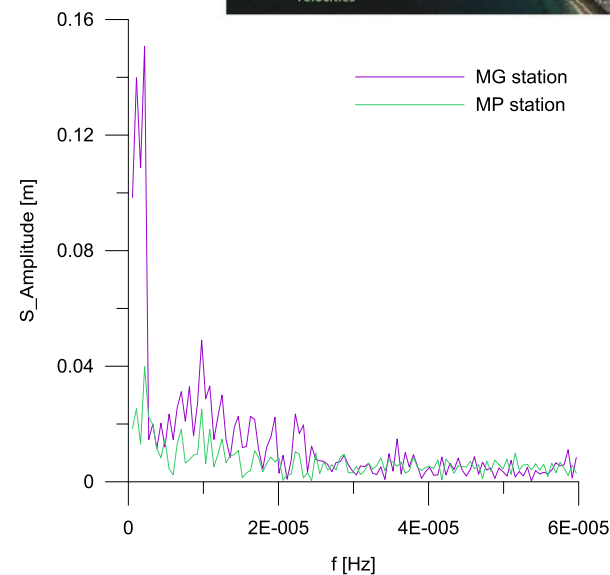
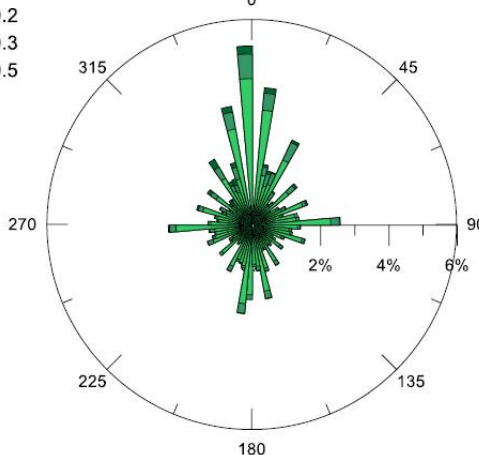
- ✓ Polar diagrams: annual H_s lower than in MGrande (max $\sim 0.6\text{m}$)
- ✓ smoothed swells from external basin.
- ✓ Propagation \sim orientation of Channel



Year 2015



Year 2016

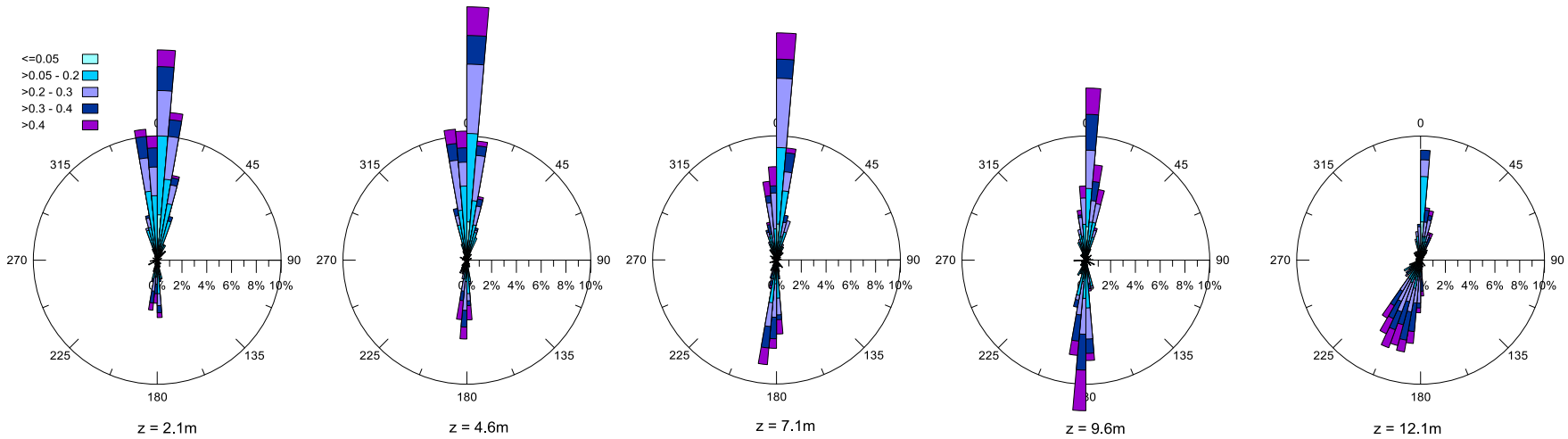


Amplitude spectra H_s at St. O and St. N in Nov 2015

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MAR PICCOLO St. N: Currents

✓ Typical monthly behavior, at different depths:  case September 2015



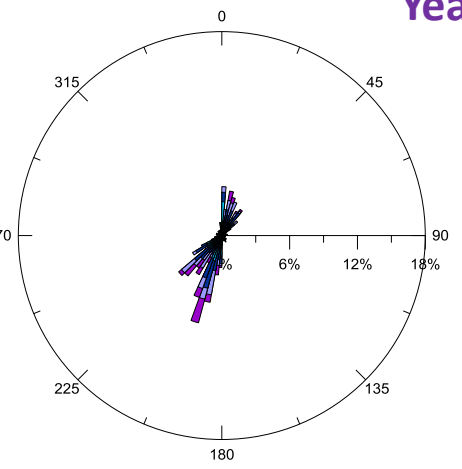
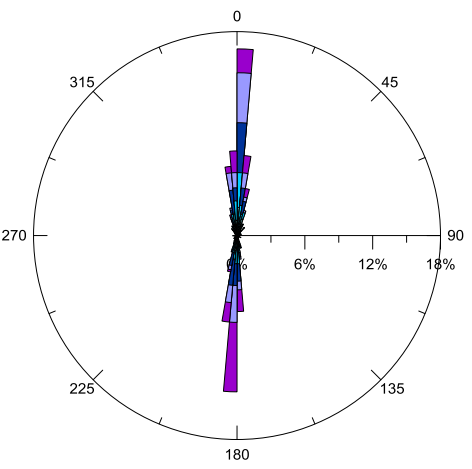
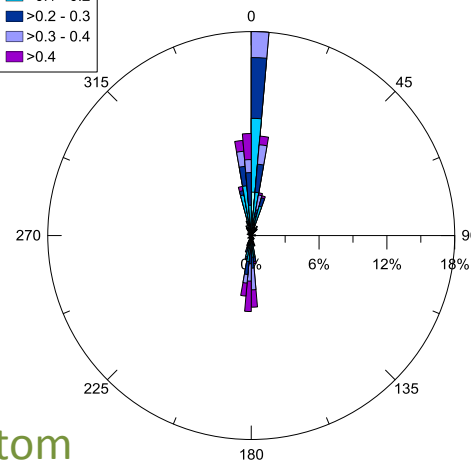
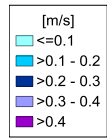
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- near bottom current inflowing towards Mar Piccolo with 0.05-0.3m/s
- at intermediate depths: both inflowing and outflowing currents
- near surface dominant SSW outflows, with higher intensities (>0.4m/s)

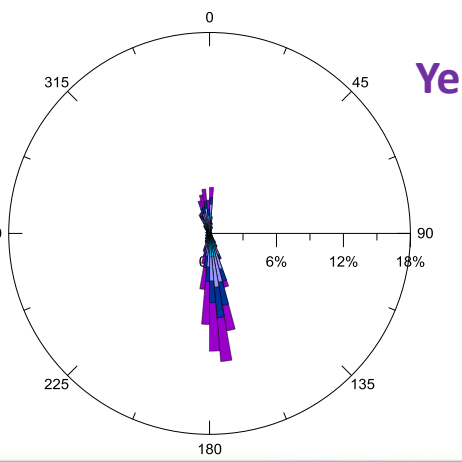
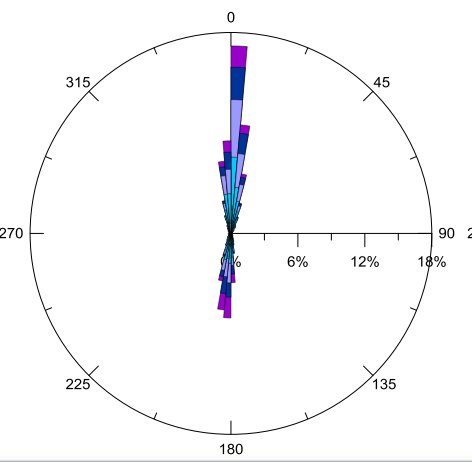
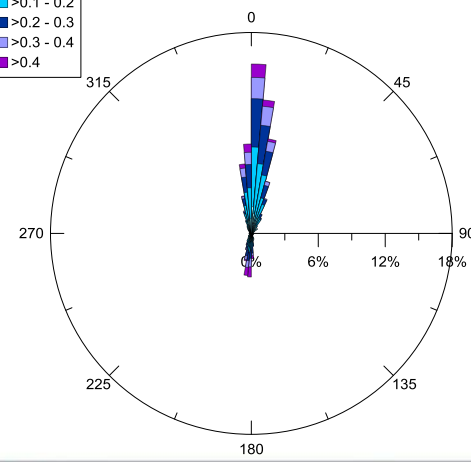
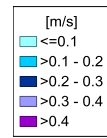
DATA ANALYSIS MAR PICCOLO St. N: Currents ✓ Typical annual behavior

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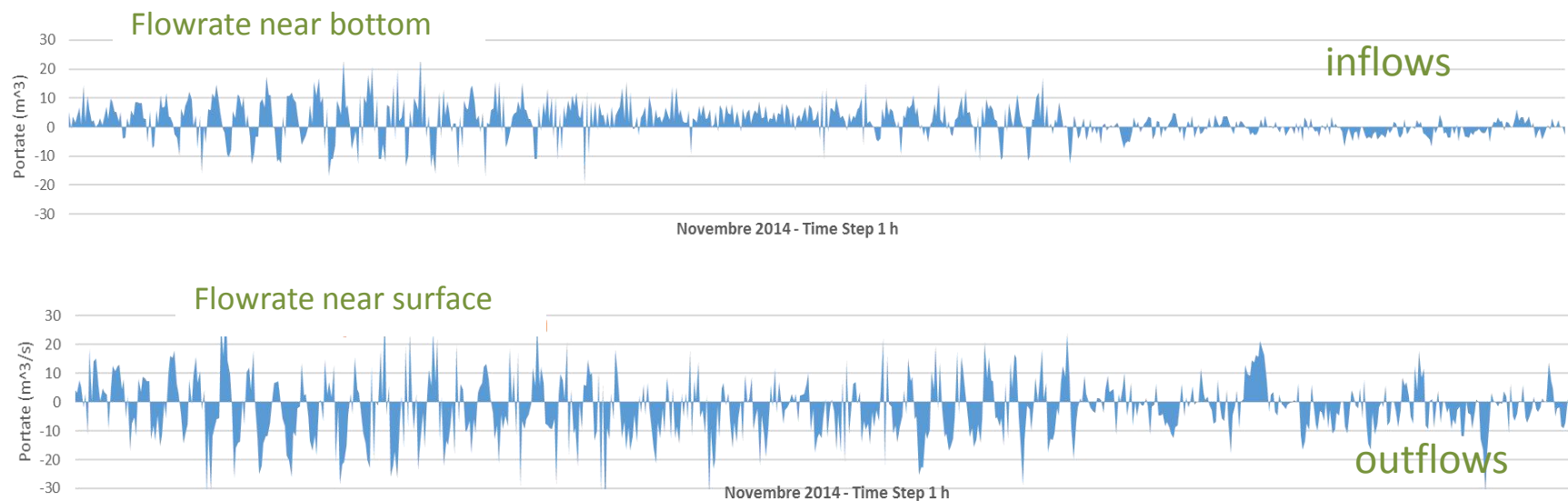
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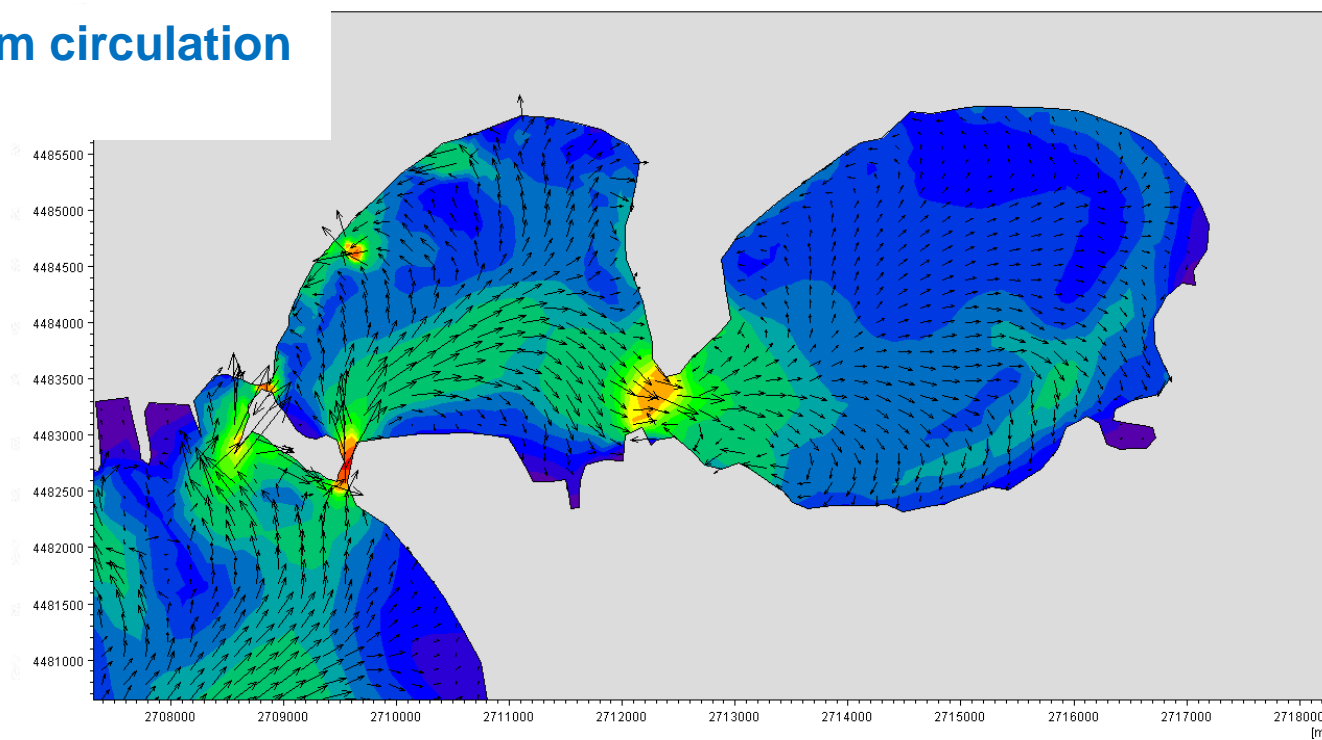


1. double circulation in channel, inflowing towards Mar Piccolo in deeper layers and outflowing in most superficial ones

2. during whole year, inflowing rate prevails on the outflowing one

Consistent with results of numerical modelling SHYFEM 3D and MIKE 3D (DHI)

Annual bottom circulation Map - 2014



- De Pascalis F, Petrizzo A, Ghezzi M, Lorenzetti G, Manfè G, Alabiso G, Zaggia L, Estuarine circulation in the Taranto Seas, Env. Science and Poll. Res., 9, 2015)
- DHI (2016)

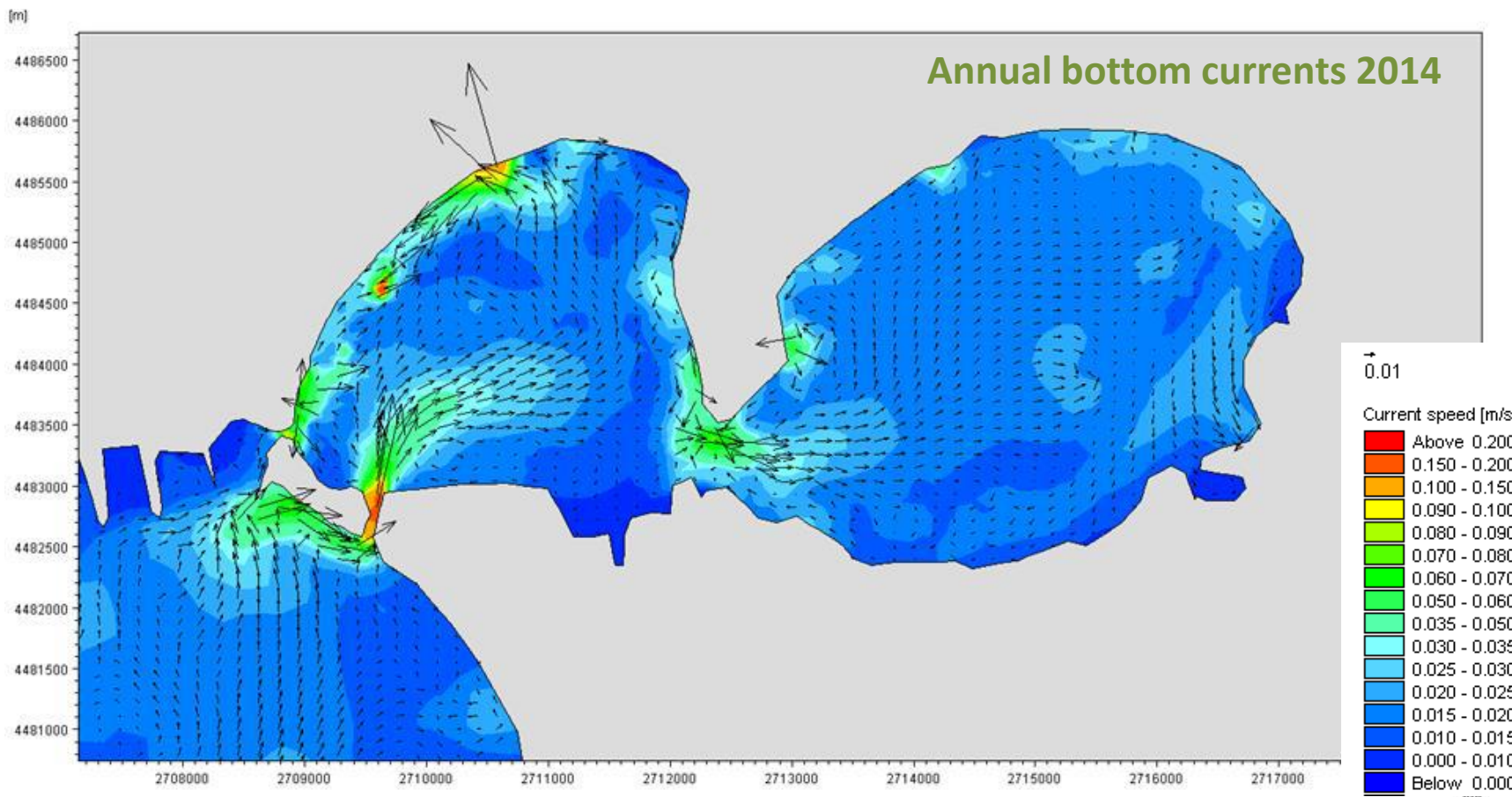
NUMERICAL MODELLING

✓ HOW can we use data for modelling?

1. Calibration: choosing parameters such as wind drag coefficient, bottom roughness, coefficients in the turbulence closure model (coeff Smagorinsky)
2. Validation: based on measured input data (winds, tide, waves i.e. radiation stresses, thermoaline gradients) we make comparisons of output (currents) with measured currents
3. Once simulated a reliable hydrodynamic state in the basin, we can add further processes, such as sediment transport (also due to dredging) or oil spilling
4. Provide scenarios and forecasting

NUMERICAL MODELLING

✓ Case of bottom sediment transport (MIKE 3HD, DHI)



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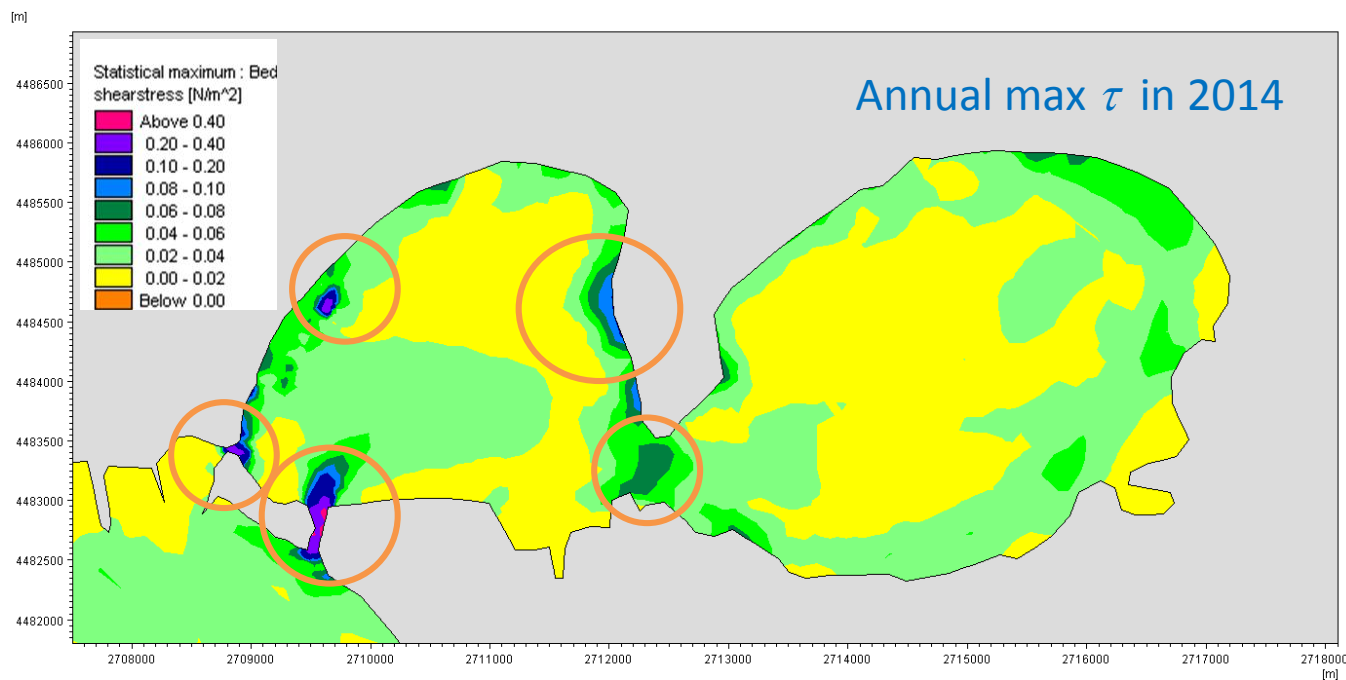
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✓ Case of bottom sediments

From bottom velocities we compute annual maxima tangential stresses τ at bottom:

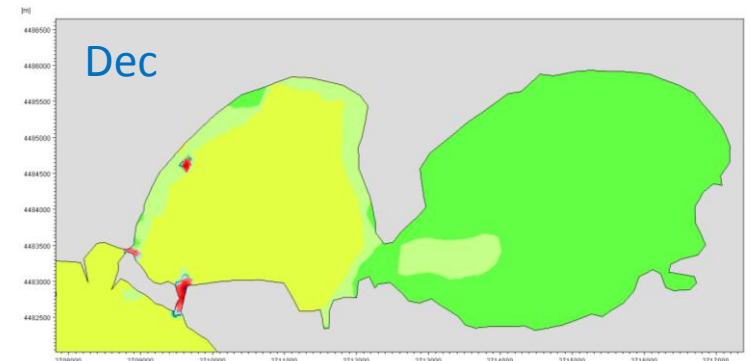
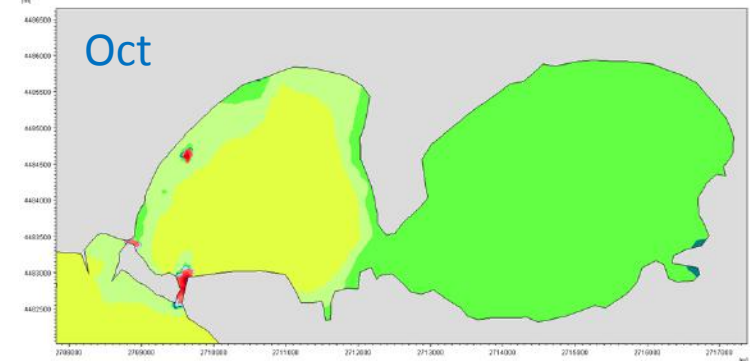
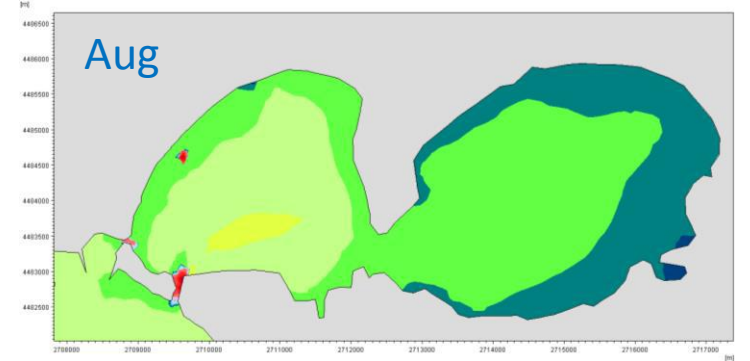
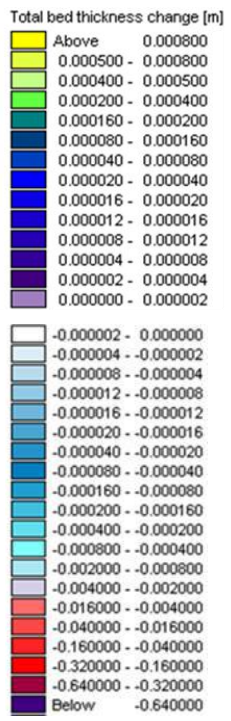
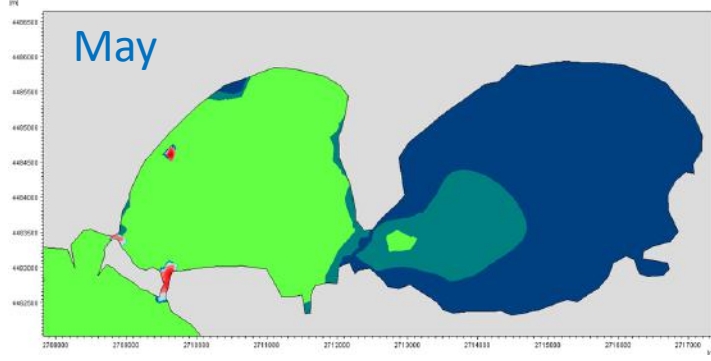
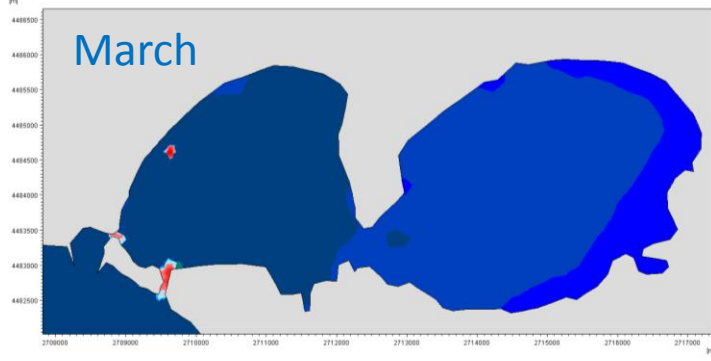
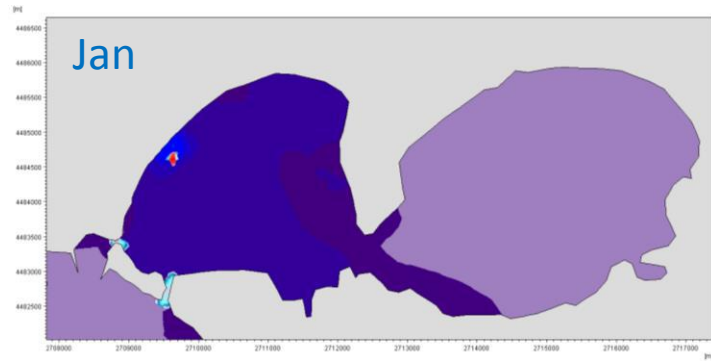
$$U_b = \sqrt{\tau / \rho}$$

Where τ exceeds critical value computed for clay-silt bottom, we map erosion



NUMERICAL MODELLING Case of bottom sediments: annual evolution trend

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NUMERICAL MODELLING Case of hypothetical oil spilling

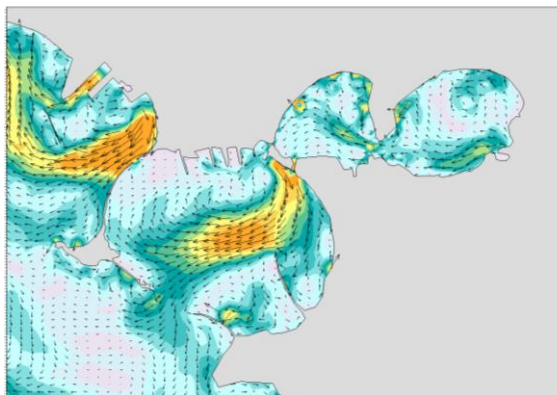
Continuous leakage of oil over a period 3 days, starting on:

12 Dec 2015 at 08:00

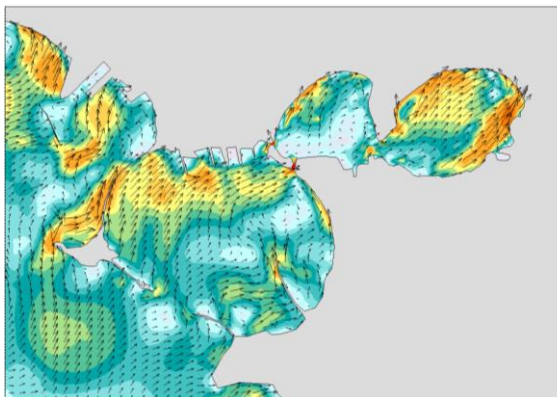
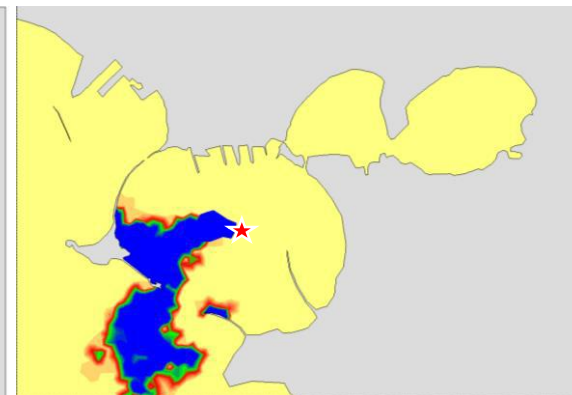
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- total mass of oil released is 519 tons (rate of 2 kg/s)
- oil type is crude oil

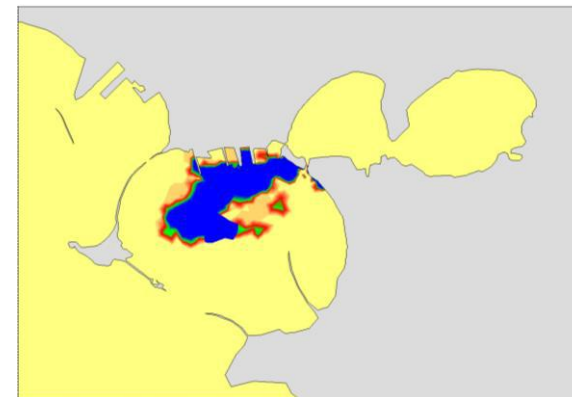
Starting from calibrated hydrodynamics in both seasons, spilling module added



3rd day Dec.



3rd day July



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CONCLUSION

- ✓ Monitoring of characteristic items is essential to detect physical trends typical of costal site
- ✓ Provided continuous information on ordinary state and also real-time information during accidental events
- ✓ Possible calibration and validation of hydrodynamic numerical models, thus obtaining reliable circulation patterns to be used as input for successive simulations, i.e. transport and dispersion of sediments and/or contaminants
- ✓ Providing future scenarios and forecasting, thus supporting local authorities in coastal planning, management and in situ decision-making
- ✓ Joint use of high-quality field data and numerical models is profitable, if we use high quality and trustworthy field data

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