



Surface T/S Data RV Polarstern PS108 (ARK-XXXI/3)

Data Processing Report

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1 Introduction

This report describes the processing of raw data acquired by the thermosalinographs on board RV Polarstern during expedition PS108 to receive cleaned up and corrected salinity data. Detailed description of the processing of the data and the workflow is given in the general report "General Processing Report of Surface T/S Data RV Polarstern Cruises PS106, PS107, PS108 and PS109".

Cruise details

Vessel name: RV Polarstern

Cruise name: PS108 (ARK-XXXI/3)

Cruise start: 2017-08-22
Cruise end: 2017-09-09
Cruise duration: 18 days
Working area: Fram Strait

2 Sensor Details

Following sensors were installed during cruise PS108. Only data from **TSG1** are uploaded to PAN-GAEA for cruise PS108 and are furthermore considered in this report (for reasoning see General Processing Report).

	TSG1	TSG2
Serial number	SBE21-3191	SBE21-3271
Installation	2016-11-19	2017-06-23
Deinstallation	2017-10-11	2017-10-11
Days installed	326	110
External temperature sensor	SBE38-110	SBE38-119



3 Processing Report

Database Extraction

Data source	DSHIP database (dship.awi.de)	
Start of raw file	2017-08-19T06:00:00	
End of raw file	2017-09-09T07:59:59	
Number of lines in hexadecimal raw	1821600	
file		
First dataset	2017-08-23T06:49:16	
Last dataset	2017-09-08T15:44:05	
TSG1 valid data	352715	

Calculation of 10min means

The calculation of 10min means included the removal of outliers outside a 2-times standard deviation for each data interval. The number of outliers for each parameter are given here.

Number of outliers >2*std			
Internal temperature	11841		
Conductivity	10904		
External temperature	12431		
Salinity	14175		
Result after outlier removal			
Number 10-min-means	2352		

Manual flagging

After processing the data were visually inspected. The whole data from a specific timestamp were deleted if there was only one parameter to be manually flagged. **1** data points were manually removed from the TSG1 dataset of PS108.

Assigning navigation data

Data from the corrected mastertrack of cruise PS108 were assigned to the 10min means of TSG1. A speed filter of 0.5 knots minimum speed is applied to avoid redundant data. See Figure 1 and Figure 2 for the processed and corrected data of TSG1.

Number of speed flags: 770

Number of data in final output file: 1581



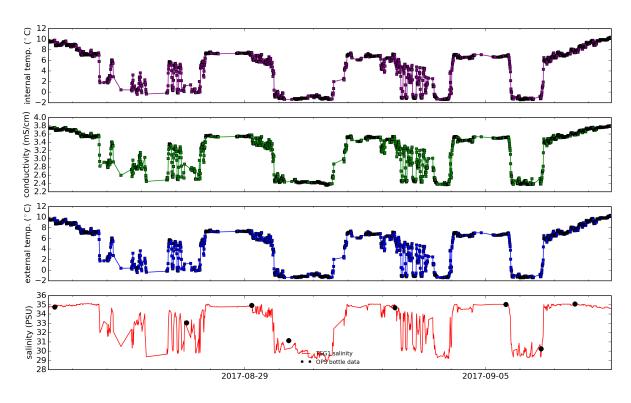


Figure 1: 10min means of data from TSG1

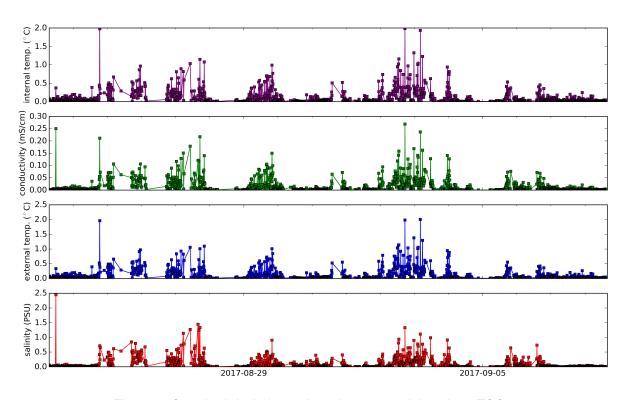


Figure 2: Standard deviations of 10min means of data from TSG1



Differences between internal and external temperature of TSG1 temperature sensors

Temperature differences between the internal and the external temperature sensors have to be small under normal circulation conditions. Means and standard deviations for the temperature differences as well as the number of data with a difference larger than 1 °C are given in the following table and are shown in Figure 3.

	TSG1 temperature difference		
	mean \pm standard dev.	no. > 1°C	
Spot values	$0.0290 \pm 0.0857^{\circ}$ C	195	
10-min means	$0.0293 \pm 0.0213^{\circ}\text{C}$	0	

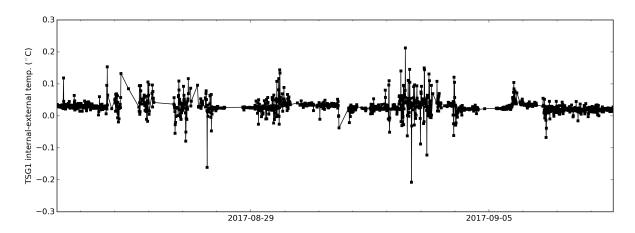


Figure 3: Differences between internal and external temperature sensors of TSG1

Result file

The result file is a plain text (tab-delimited values) file named **PS108_surf_oce.tab** with one data row in 10-min interval. For further information on the result file see the General Processing Report.



4 Appendix

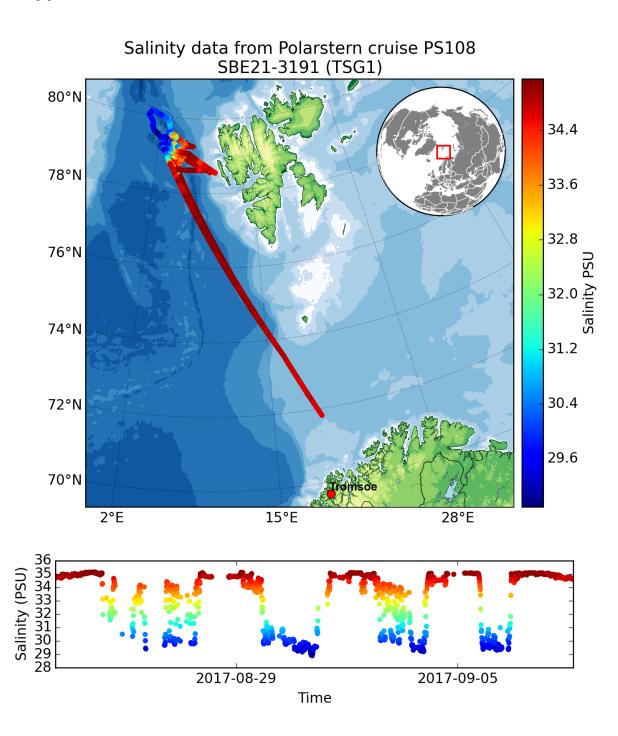


Figure 4: Salinity data from TSG1



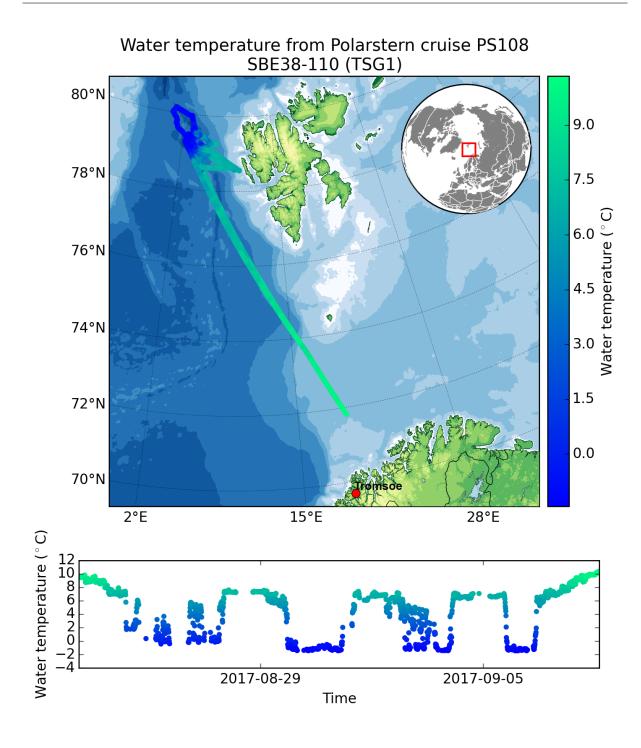


Figure 5: Temperature data from TSG1