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ACQUISITION:

A total of 26 CTD casts were taken along 95W and 110W during leg 1 of the fall EPOCS cruise using PMEL Neil Brown CTD s/n 1114 and 12-bottle rosette sampling package. The majority of casts were to a depth of 1000 meters. Typically 12 bottles were fired on each cast and salinity samples were taken for calibration checks of the NBIS CTD. Survey department personnel under the supervision of Linda Mangum were responsible for preparing the CTD, all data acquisition, collection of water samples, and analyzing the samples for salinity using the ship's Autosal.

The CTD data were acquired using the ship's LOGGER software. Audio backups were made on VCR tapes. Raw CTD data were transferred from the acquisition microVAX to the processing microVAX where PMEL programs reduced the data for analysis. Final calibrations were determined at PMEL after the cruise.

Cast 11 was aborted because the printouts showed the rosette firing bottles during the downcast.

CONDUCTIVITY CALIBRATIONS:

CALIB.DAT precruise calibrations for PMEL CTD 1114:

1114	6	380						
-0.13418	0.9992288	0.398032E-7	0.143853E-10	P	DN	S/N 1114	JUL 94	
-0.82380	0.9979059	0.523471E-6	-0.285092E-10	P	UP	S/N 1114	JUL 94	
-0.00301	1.0001160	0.000000E-6	0.000000E-10	T	68	S/N 1114	JUL 94	
-0.00558	1.0001040	0.000000E-6	0.000000E-10	C		S/N 1112	JUL 94	

Post-cruise, files were restored to the VAX computer system at PMEL from Exabyte 8mm tapes. The .CAL file was created on the ship using CALDSK which takes the CTD values from those written on the cast logs during acquisition and not from the READER listings. The .CAL file was proofed, typos corrected, and put into the latest format compatible with WOCE modified programs at the lab. LINCALW.FOR, CALMSTRW.FOR, CALMCONW.PPC, and CALMDEEPW.PPC were used to find the best calibrations to apply to this data set.

Final calibrations applied were from an overall fit of all bottles (casts 1 and 2 collected no samples owing to a rosette error):

A0 = -0.5760980E-03  
A1 = 0.9977739E+00  
max residual = -0.0254  
std error = 0.0102 (6/197 discarded in 3 reps)

CONDUCTIVITY CALIBRATION PROGRAMS & PPLUS COMMAND FILES:

CALDSKW - creates .CAL uncalibrated data file on SCS system  
CALMSTRW - inputs .CAL uncalibrated data file  
- outputs .CLB calibrated data file (from .COM), and  
.SEA calibrated WOCE data file (edit quality bytes)  
LINCALW - inputs .CAL uncalibrated data file (may be broken into  
groups), applies a linear fit to the data and throws out  
any points greater than 2.8 times the standard deviation,  
iterates through the program until no points are thrown out  
outputs .COEF file containing linear fit coefficients and  
.LOG file of fit iterations  
CALMCONW.PPC - reads .CLB calibrated bottle data file and makes five  
separate scatter plots: P, T, C, S, and cast number vs.  
delta-C (CTD-bottle). These are examined for cast  
breaks and drifts in the CTD.  
CALMDEEPW.PPC - reads .CLB calibrated bottle data file and makes two  
separate scatter plots: CTD salinity and bottle salinity  
vs. potential temperature from theta=0.6 to 2.2 C.  
DEEPCTD.PPC - reads .CTD EPIC pointer file and .BOT EPIC pointer file  
of deep casts only and overplots the bottle salinity  
data and CTD salinity trace from theta=.8 to 2.4 C for  
each deep cast.

PROCESSING:

Raw data files were restored from Exabyte 8mm tapes to the VAX at PMEL.  
Standard processing programs for the Baldrige with default parameters  
were used to reduce these data.

Post-cruise calibrations included 1) an overall linear fit applied to all  
casts. 2) Salinity offsets were determined using deep (i.e. 1000 db)  
theta-S plots and applied using program EPCTDW\_OFF:

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if (ncast.eq.001) soffset = 0.025
if (ncast.eq.002) soffset = 0.025
if (ncast.eq.003) soffset = 0.025
if (ncast.eq.004) soffset = -.015
if (ncast.eq.006) soffset = 0.024
if (ncast.eq.007) soffset = 0.024
if (ncast.eq.009) soffset = 0.008
if (ncast.eq.010) soffset = 0.008
if (ncast.eq.012) soffset = 0.002
if (ncast.eq.013) soffset = -.021
if (ncast.eq.014) soffset = -.021
if (ncast.eq.015) soffset = 0.016
if (ncast.eq.016) soffset = 0.025
if (ncast.eq.017) soffset = -.025
if (ncast.eq.018) soffset = -.010
if (ncast.eq.019) soffset = 0.005
if (ncast.eq.020) soffset = 0.029
if (ncast.eq.021) soffset = 0.005
if (ncast.eq.022) soffset = 0.003
if (ncast.eq.023) soffset = 0.012
if (ncast.eq.024) soffset = -.020
if (ncast.eq.026) soffset = 0.010
DATA(3,L)=SAL78(C/42.914,DATA(2,L),DATA(1,L),0)
data(3,l)=data(3,l) + soffset

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Cruise bottle data were compared to and fell within historical bottle data  
for each line. 3) As a check of the final calibrations, salinity profiles  
were overplotted line by line.

