

# Surface T/S Data RV Polarstern PS103 (ANT-XXXII/2) 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 PS103 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 PS102, PS103, PS104 and PS105”.

### Cruise details

**Vessel name:** RV Polarstern  
**Cruise name:** PS103 (ANT-XXXII/2)  
**Cruise start:** 2016-12-16  
**Cruise end:** 2017-02-02  
**Cruise duration:** 48 days  
**Working area:** Weddell Sea

## 2 Sensor Details

Following sensor was installed in Polarsterns keel compartment during cruise PS103.

	<b>TSG Keel</b>
Serial number	SBE21-3191
Installation	2016-11-19
Deinstallation	2017-10-11
Days installed	326
External temperature sensor	SBE38-110

## 3 Processing Report

### Database Extraction

Data source	DSHIP database (dship.awi.de)
Start of raw file	2016-12-11T18:47:52
End of raw file	2017-02-02T14:15:50
Number of lines in hexadecimal raw file	4562879
First dataset	2016-12-14T11:08:12
Last dataset	2017-01-30T18:11:33
TSG valid data	994225

## 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	32747
Conductivity	30060
External temperature	33259
Salinity	44041
Result after outlier removal	
Number 10-min-means	6629

## Manual flagging

After processing the 10min means were visually inspected. The whole data from a specific timestamp were deleted if there was only one parameter to be manually flagged. **180** data points were manually removed from the TSG Keel dataset of PS103.

## Assigning navigation data

Data from the corrected mastertrack of cruise PS103 were assigned to the 10min means of TSG Keel. 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 TSG Keel.

**Number of speed flags:** 1995

**Number of data in final output file:** 4482

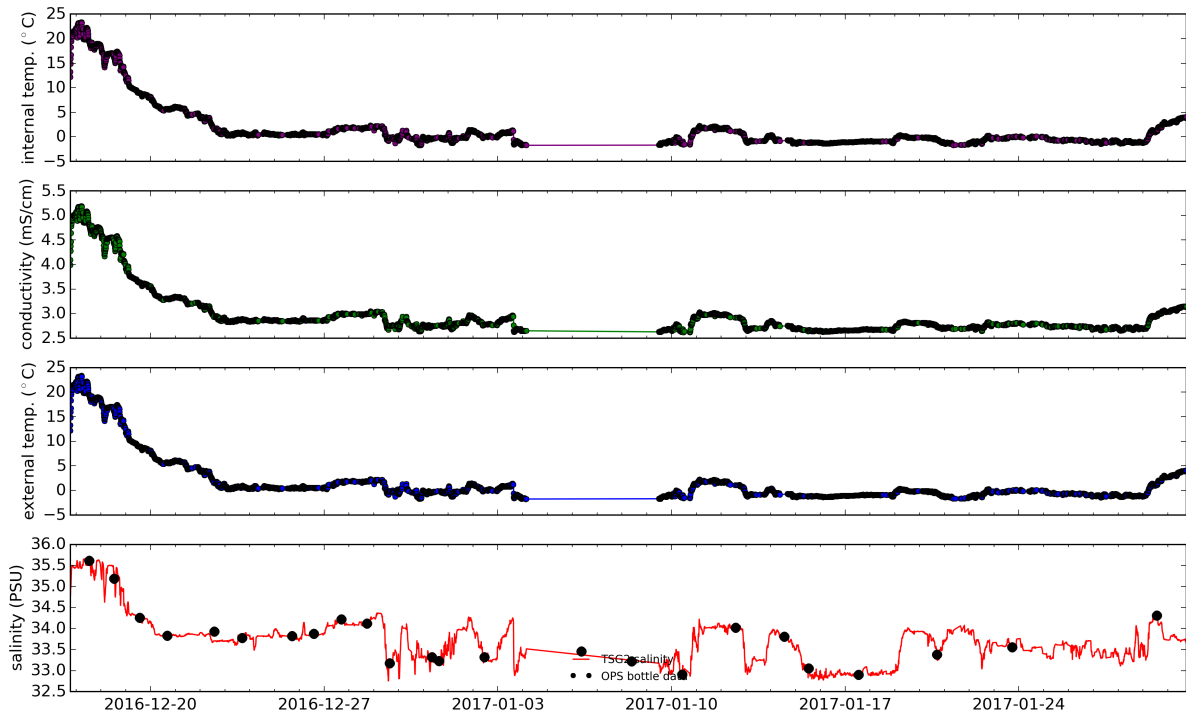


Figure 1: 10min means of data from TSG Keel

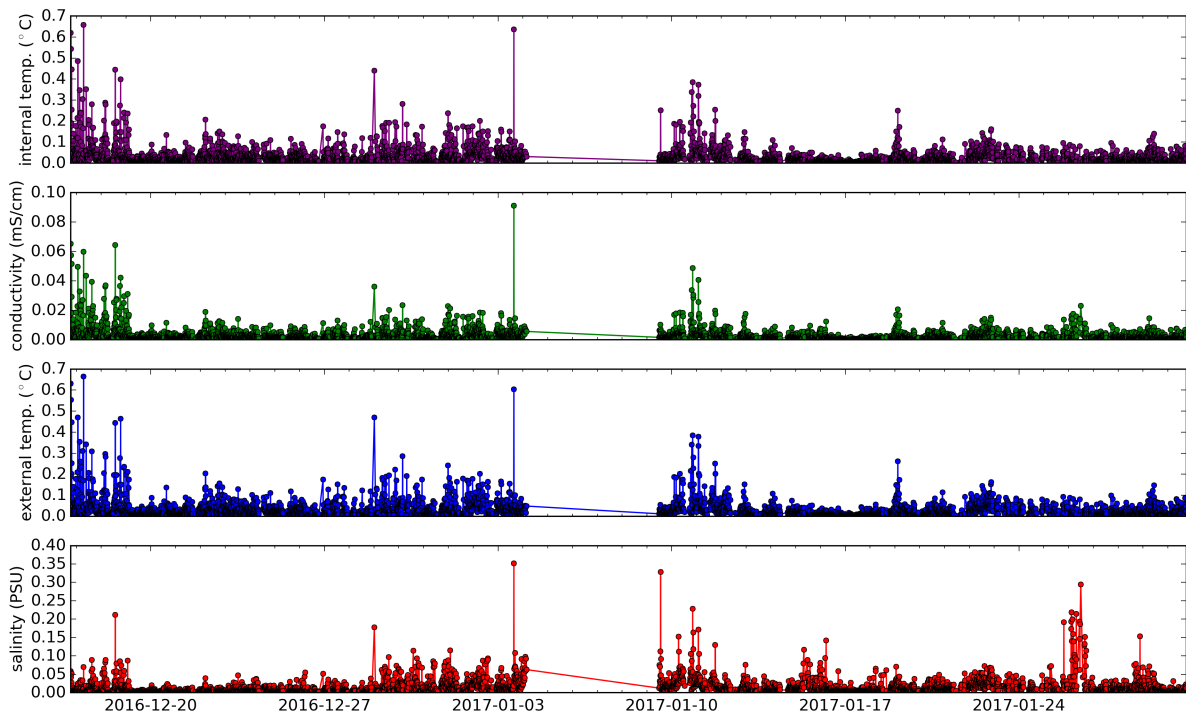


Figure 2: Standard deviations of 10min means of data from TSG Keel

## Differences between internal and external temperature of TSG Keel 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.

	TSG Keel temperature difference	
	mean $\pm$ standard dev.	no. > 1 °C
<b>Spot values</b>	0.0288 $\pm$ 0.0756 °C	0
<b>10-min means</b>	0.0289 $\pm$ 0.0748 °C	0

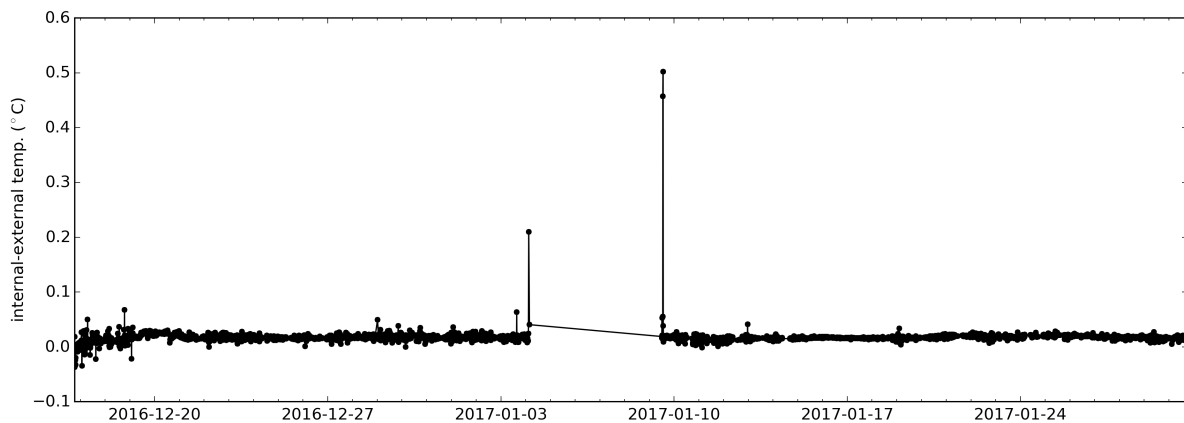


Figure 3: Differences between internal and external temperature sensors of 10min means from TSG Keel

## Result file

The result file is a plain text (tab-delimited values) file named **PS103\_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

Salinity data from Polarstern cruise PS103  
SBE21-3191 (TSG Keel)

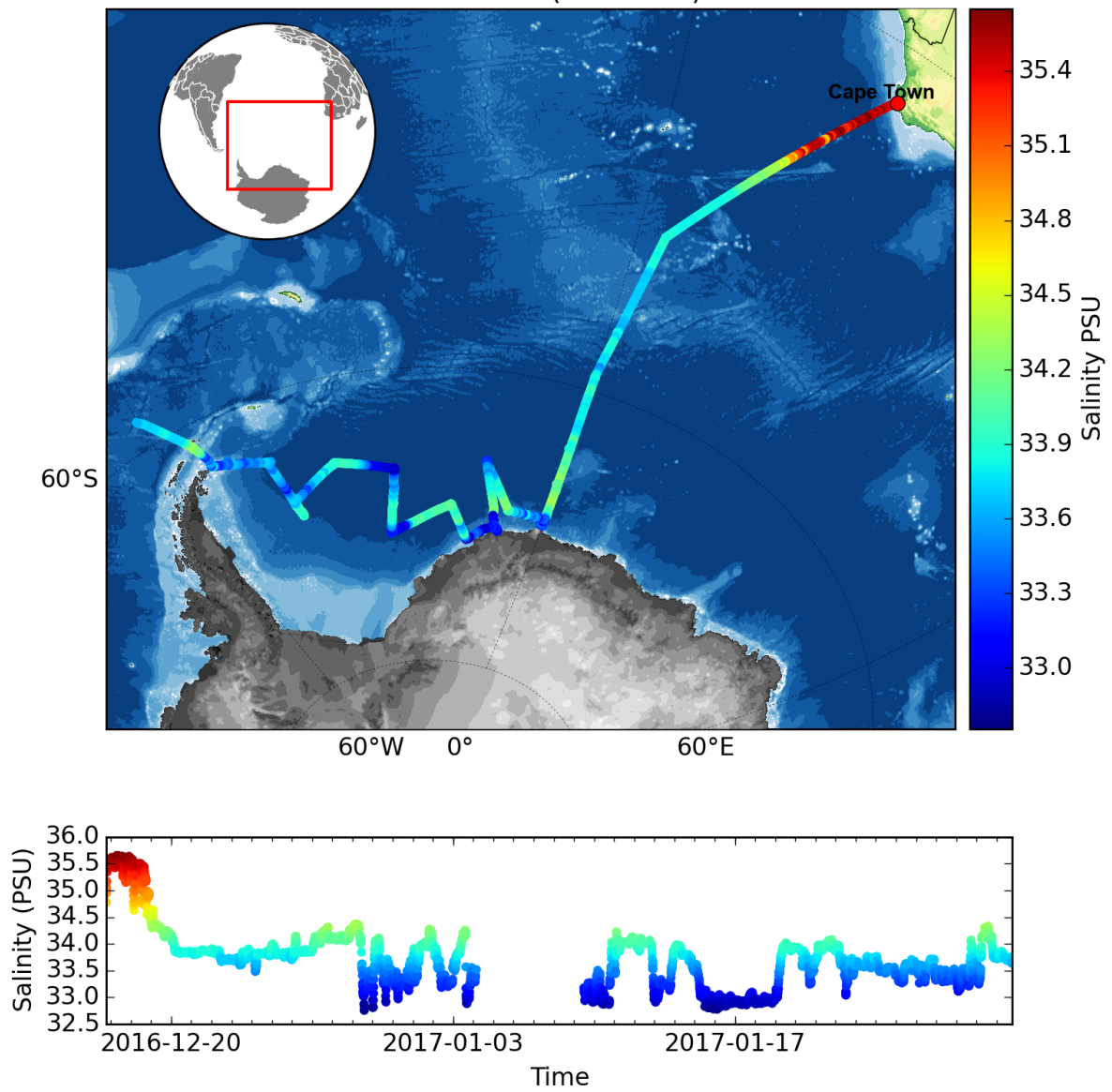


Figure 4: Salinity data from TSG Keel

Water temperature from Polarstern cruise PS103  
SBE38-110 (TSG Keel)

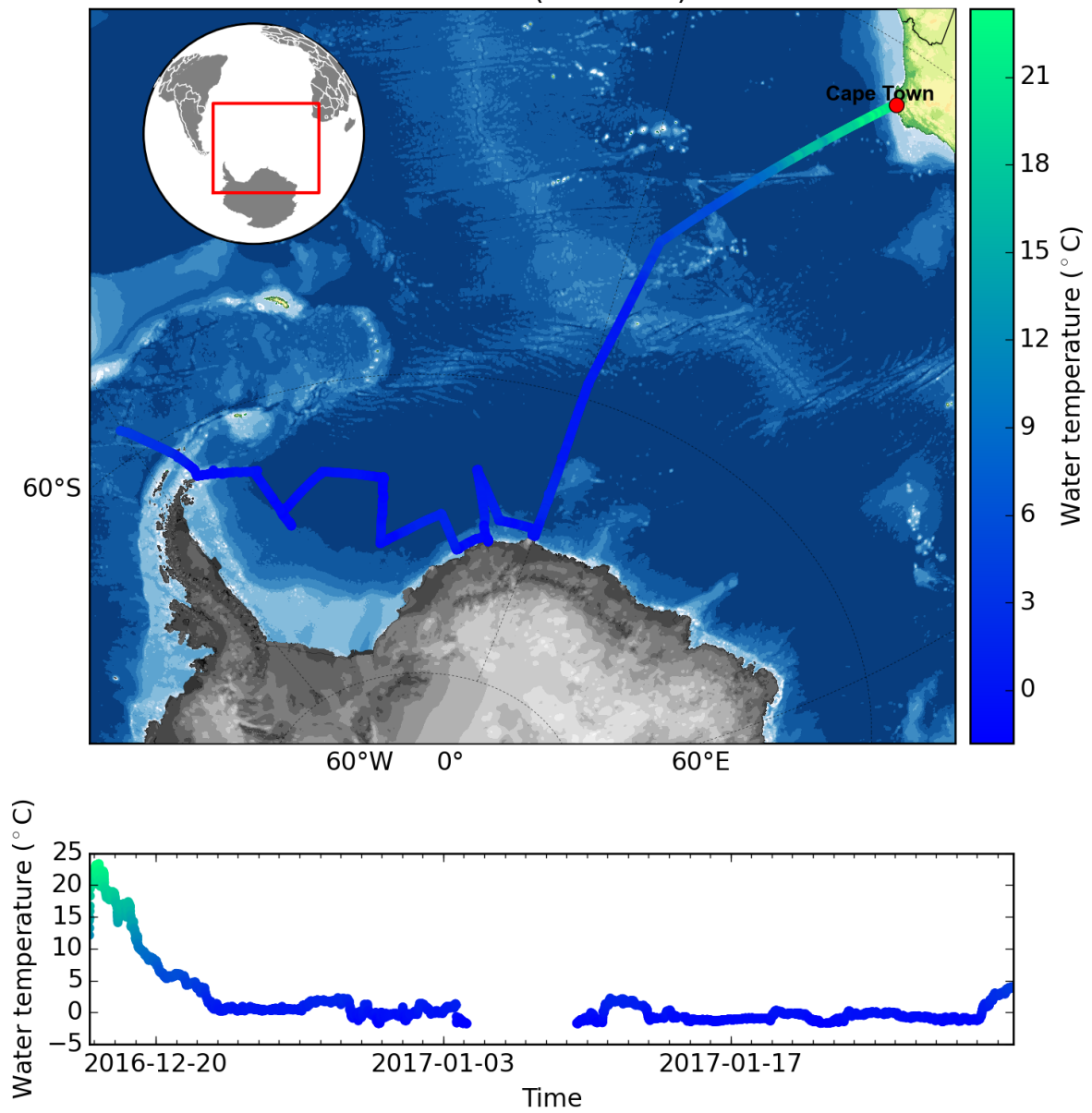


Figure 5: Temperature data from TSG Keel