

# Master Track RV Heincke HE523

## Data Processing Report

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# 1 Introduction

This report describes the processing of raw data acquired by position sensors on board RV Heincke during expedition HE523 to receive a validated master track which is used as reference of further expedition data.

# 2 Workflow

The different steps of processing and validation are visualized in figure 1. Unvalidated data of up to three sensors and ship-motion data are extracted from the DAVIS SHIP data base (<https://dship.awi.de>) in a 1-second interval. They are converted to ESRI point shapefiles and imported to ArcGIS. A visual screening is performed to evaluate data quality and remove outliers manually. The position data from each position sensor are centered to the destined master track origin by applying ship-motion data (angles of roll, pitch and heading) and lever arms. For all three resulting position tracks, a quality check is performed using a ship's speed filter and an acceleration filter. Filtered positions are flagged. In addition, a manual check is performed to flag obvious outliers. Those position tracks are combined to a single master track depending on a sensor priority list (by accuracy, reliability) and availability / applied exclusion of automatically or manually flagged of data. Missing data up to a time span of 60 seconds are linearly interpolated. To reduce the amount of points for overview maps the master track is generalized by using the Ramer-Douglas-Peucker algorithm. This algorithm returns only the most significant points from the track. Full master track and generalized master track are written to text files and imported to PANGAEA (<http://www.pangaea.de>) for publication.

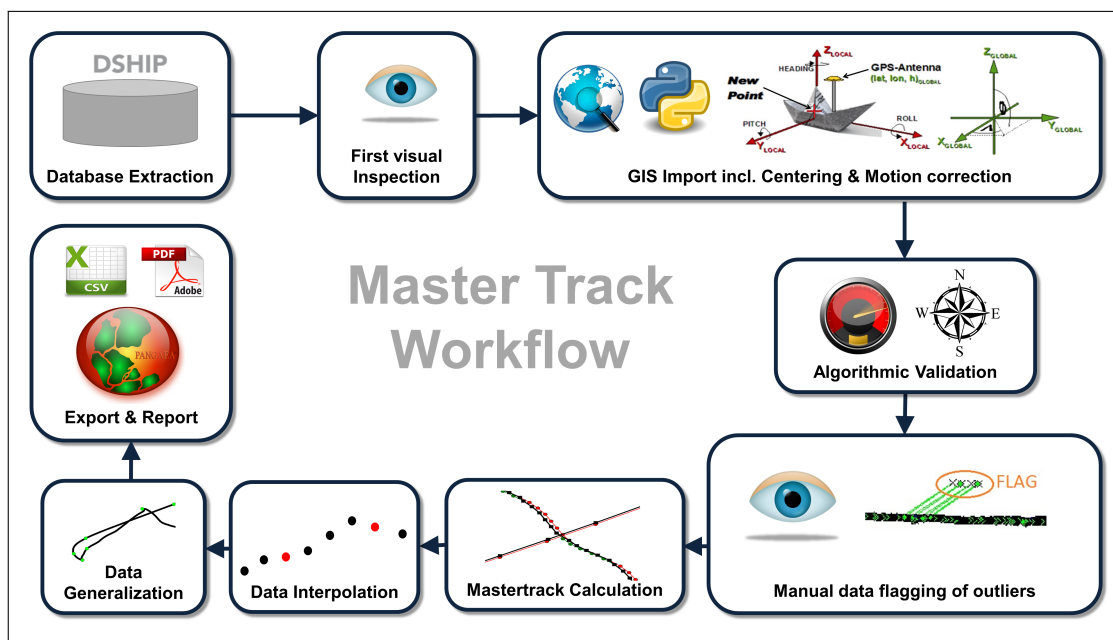


Figure 1: Workflow of master track data processing

### 3 Sensor Layout

This chapter describes the position sensors mounted during this cruise.

**Cruise details according to Cruise Report** <https://www.pangaea.de/expeditions/>

|                               |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Vessel name                   | RV Heincke  |
| Cruise name                   | HE523   |
| Cruise start                  | 2019-02-14 Bremerhaven  |
| Cruise end                    | 2019-02-15 Bremerhaven  |
| Cruise duration               | 1 days  |
| Master track reference point: | Resulting master track is referenced to <i>PHINS installation point</i> . |

#### Position sensors

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| Sensor name         | <b>IXSEA PHINS III</b> , short: PHINS   |
| Description         | Inertial navigation system with reference positions from Trimble DGPS   |
| Accuracy            | ± 0.5-3.0 m   |
| Installation point  | Electrician's workshop, close to COG  |
| Installation offset | Offset from master track reference point to sensor installation point<br>X Positive to bow 0.000 m<br>Y Positive to starboard 0.000 m<br>Z Positive upwards 0.000 m |

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| Sensor name         | <b>Trimble Marine SPS461</b> , short: Trimble   |
| Description         | DGPS-Receiver, correction type DGPS RTCM 2.x, correction source DGPS Base via radio   |
| Accuracy            | Horizontal: ± 0.25 m + 1 ppm & Vertical: ± 0.50 m + 1 ppm   |
| Installation point  | Observational Deck, fore rail   |
| Installation offset | Offset from master track reference point to sensor installation point<br>X Positive to bow 13.648 m<br>Y Positive to starboard 2.976 m<br>Z Positive upwards 11.406 m |

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| Sensor name         | <b>SAAB R5 SUPREME NAV</b> , short: SAAB  |
| Description         | DGPS-Receiver, SBAS-correction with RTCM-104 input  |
| Accuracy            | GPS: ± 3.0 m; DGPS (2D RMS): ± 1.0 m  |
| Installation point  | Observational Deck, fore rail   |
| Installation offset | Offset from master track reference point to sensor installation point<br>X Positive to bow 12.985 m<br>Y Positive to starboard 2.958 m<br>Z Positive upwards 11.328 m |

## Motion sensor

|                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| Sensor name        | <b>IXSEA PHINS III</b> , short: PHINS                                 |
| Description        | Inertial navigation system with reference positions from Trimble DGPS |
| Accuracy           | $\pm 0.01$ roll, $\pm 0.01$ pitch, $\pm 0.05$ heading (deg)           |
| Installation point | Electrician's workshop, close to COG                                  |

## 4 Processing Report

### Database Extraction

|                 |                               |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| Data source     | DSHIP database (dship.awi.de) |
| Exported values | 104401                        |
| First dataset   | 2019-02-14T08:00:00 UTC       |
| Last dataset    | 2019-02-15T13:00:00 UTC       |

### Centering & Motion Compensation

Each position track has been centered to the *PHINS installation point* by applying the correspondent motion angles for heading, roll and pitch as well as the installation offsets from chapter 3. The motion data were acquired by IXSEA PHINS III.

### Automatic Validation

The following thresholds were applied for the automatic flagging of the position data:

|                  |   |
|------------------|---|
| Speed            | Maximum 20 kn between two datapoints.             |
| Acceleration     | Maximum $1 \text{ m/s}^2$ between two datapoints. |
| Change of course | Maximum $5^\circ$ between two datapoints.         |

### Manual Validation

Obvious outliers were removed manually. For details see Processing Logbook of RV Heincke ([hdl:10013/epic.45841](https://hdl.handle.net/10013/epic.45841)).

### Flagging result

|              | PHINS |         | Trimble |        | SAAB |        |
|--------------|-------|---------|---------|--------|------|--------|
| Missing      | 0     | 0.000%  | 0       | 0.000% | 0    | 0.000% |
| Speed        | 2     | 0.002%  | 2       | 0.002% | 2    | 0.002% |
| Acceleration | 48    | 0.046%  | 16      | 0.015% | 16   | 0.015% |
| Course       | 27739 | 26.570% | 8395    | 8.041% | 8395 | 8.041% |
| Manually     | 0     | 0.000%  | 0       | 0.000% | 0    | 0.000% |

## Master Track Generation

The master track is derived from the position sensors' data selected by priority.

Sensor priority used:

1. PHINS
2. Trimble
3. SAAB

Filters applied: manual, speed, acceleration.

Distribution of position sensor data in master track:

| Sensor       | Data points | Percentage |
|--------------|-------------|------------|
| Total        | 104401      | 100.000 %  |
| PHINS        | 85658       | 82.047 %   |
| Trimble      | 18732       | 17.942 %   |
| SAAB         | 0           | 0.000 %    |
| Interpolated | 11          | 0.011 %    |
| Gaps         | 0           | 0.000 %    |

## Remarks

Until ca. 13:00 on 14.02.2019 the NMEA distribution on RV Heincke was out of order and therefore PHINS operation was not supported.

## Score

For each cruise, a score is calculated ranging from 0 (no data) to 100 (only very good data). the score for the cruise HE523 is 99.

## Generalization

The master track is generalized to receive a reduced set of the most significant positions of the track using the Ramer-Douglas-Peucker algorithm and allow a maximum tolerated distance between points and generalized line of 4 arcseconds.

Results:

|                              |            |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Number of generalized points | 103 points |
| Data reduction               | 99.9013 %  |

## Result files

Master track text file:

The format is a plain text (tab-delimited values) file with one data row in 1 second interval.

|                  |   |                    |
|------------------|---|--------------------|
| Column separator | Tabulator "\t"                                |                    |
| Column 1         | Date and time expressed according to ISO 8601 |                    |
| Column 2         | Latitude in decimal format, unit degree       |                    |
| Column 3         | Longitude in decimal format, unit degree      |                    |
| Column 4         | Flag for data source                          |                    |
|                  | 1   | PHINS              |
|                  | 2   | Trimble            |
|                  | 3   | SAAB               |
|                  | INTERP  | Interpolated point |
|                  | GAP   | Missing data       |

Text file of the generalized master track:

The format is a plain text (tab-delimited values) file.

|                  |   |  |
|------------------|---|--|
| Column separator | Tabulator "\t"                                |  |
| Column 1         | Date and time expressed according to ISO 8601 |  |
| Column 2         | Latitude in decimal format, unit degree       |  |
| Column 3         | Longitude in decimal format, unit degree      |  |

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## Cruise map

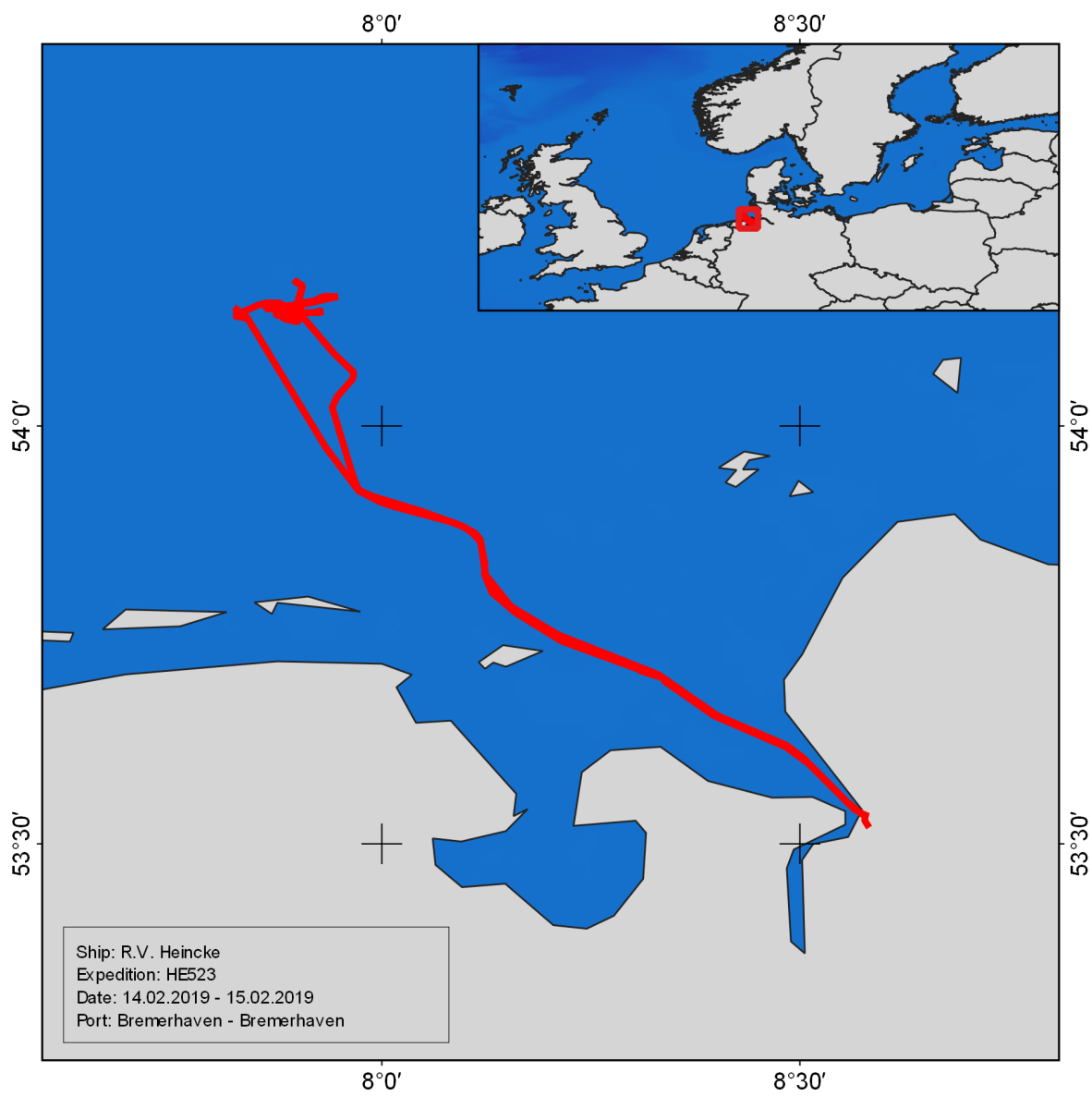


Figure 2: Map of the generalized master track