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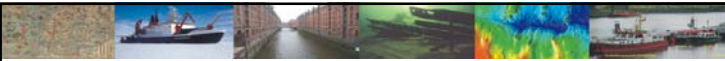
T5I – Hydrographic Surveying in Practise (2966)

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**Investigation of Attitude Sensors for  
Hydrographic Applications**  
– GNSS, Motion Sensor and Low Cost Sensors  
-First results-

**Volker Böder**

Integrating the Generations  
FIG Working Week 2008  
Stockholm, Sweden 14-19 June 2008



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Motivation

- Especially multibeam however also singlebeam applications need high reliable attitude determination
  - Direct referencing with RTK: heading, roll, pitch
  - Indirect referencing with tides: heave, roll, pitch
- Challenge: dm-accuracy in shallow waters
  - Wreck search, feature detection
  - Archaeology
  - Exploration
- Different sensor technology is available
  - GNSS, IMU (AHRS, INS)
- Missing: control of attitude determination
  - System calibration in MBES before measurement
  - SBES?

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## Equipment

- **Positioning and Attitude Determination**
  - Leica: System 500 (RTK)
  - Javad: JAVAD 4 Gyro (GNSS Positioning and Attitude)
  - Geo++ GNSS-Software GNATTI
  - IXSEA: OCTANS III (fiberoptic IMU)
- **Echosounder Reson SeaBat 8101**





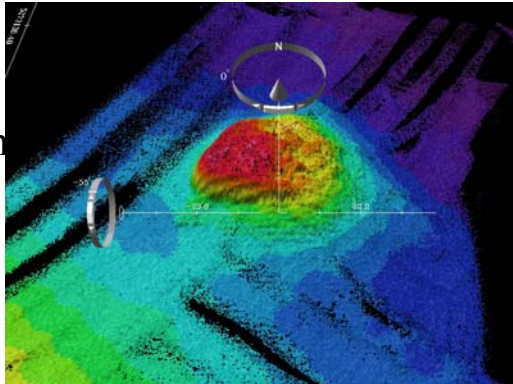
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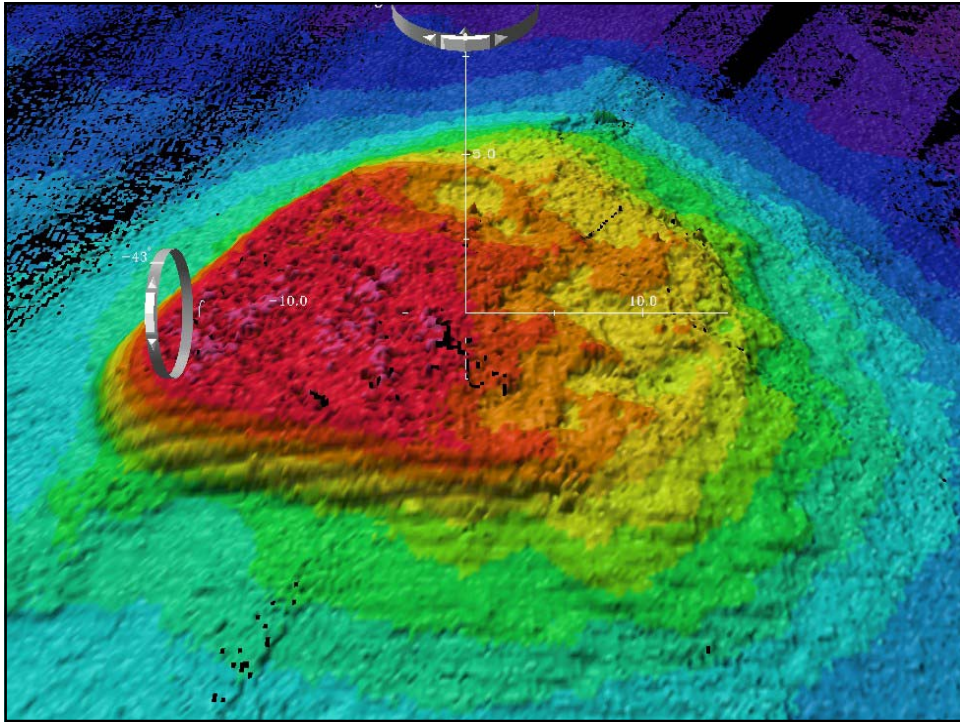
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## Archaeology under water

- „Mäuseturm“ in Güttingen, CH
- Cooperation with Archaeologists from Kanton Thurgau
- Manmade structure (completely?), probably Middle Ages



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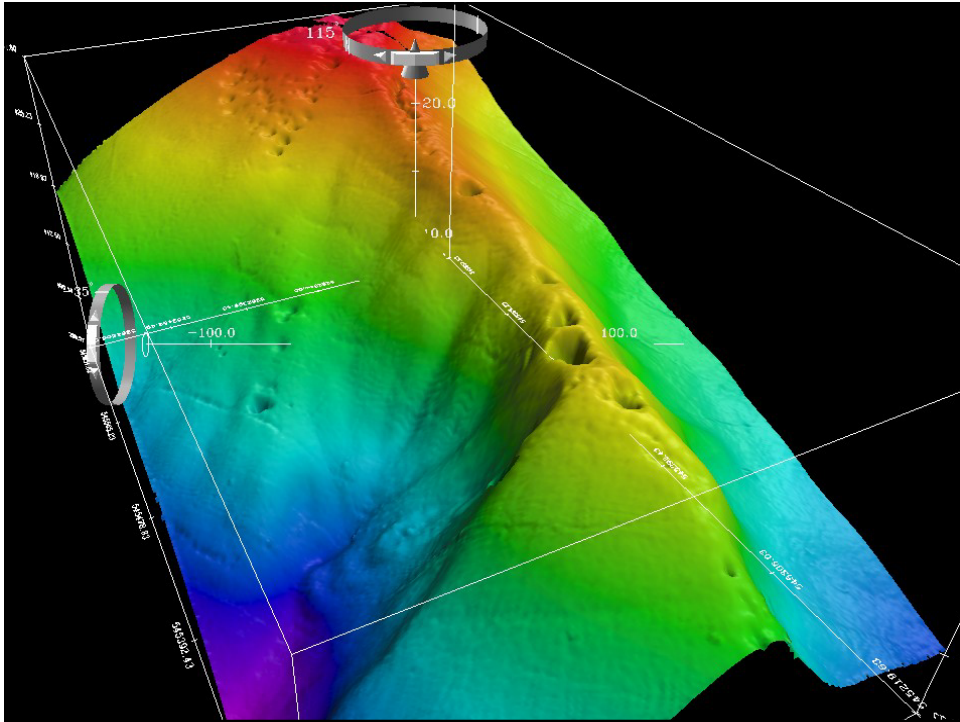



**Research/Exploration**

- Cooperation with „Institut für Seenforschung“, Lake Constance
  - With Dr. Martin Wessels
  - Methane gas?

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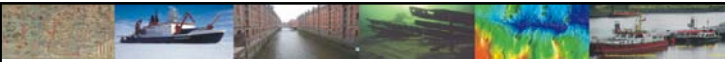



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## Advantages/Disadvantages GNSS/IMU

GNSS	Inertial Measurement Units
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ no drift</li> <li>+ long baseline: high accuracy</li> <li>+ price ?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ high data rate</li> <li>+ usually small unit</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Short baseline: low accuracy</li> <li>- Low data rate (usually 10 Hz, but increasing)</li> <li>- signal shading (installation on board, buildings, cranes, quay walls ...)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Drift</li> <li>- Influences by high dynamics</li> <li>- Location on board should be near gravitational center</li> </ul>

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## Investigations

- Project Norwegian Gem
  - GNSS
  - Motion sensor without GNSS support
  - Motion sensor with GNSS support
- Comparison GNSS – Motion Sensor
- Investigation of “just another sensor”
- Investigation Low Cost Sensor

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## Project Norwegian Gem

- Goal of the Project
  - Shipping of luxury ship backwards along the river Ems
    - Length 300 m, width 32 m
  - High accuracy needed for precise navigation
- Project carried out by
  - HydroSupport: Bernd Koop
  - LGN: Cadastre and Land Surveying Authority of Lower Saxony
  - Investigation of attitude sensors within diploma thesis at HCU
    - Mario Röttger

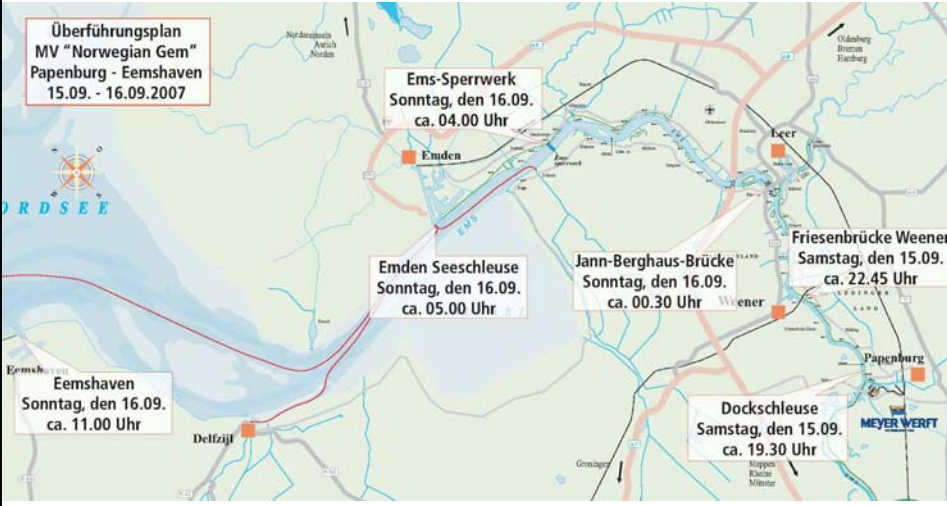
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## Project Norwegian Gem



**Überführungsplan MV "Norwegian Gem" Papenburg - Eemshaven 15.09. - 16.09.2007**

- Ems-Sperrwerk Sonntag, den 16.09. ca. 04.00 Uhr
- Emden Seeschleuse Sonntag, den 16.09. ca. 05.00 Uhr
- Jann-Berghaus-Brücke Sonntag, den 16.09. ca. 00.30 Uhr
- Friesenbrücke Weener Samstag, den 15.09. ca. 22.45 Uhr
- Dockschleuse Samstag, den 15.09. ca. 19.30 Uhr
- Eemshaven Sonntag, den 16.09. ca. 11.00 Uhr



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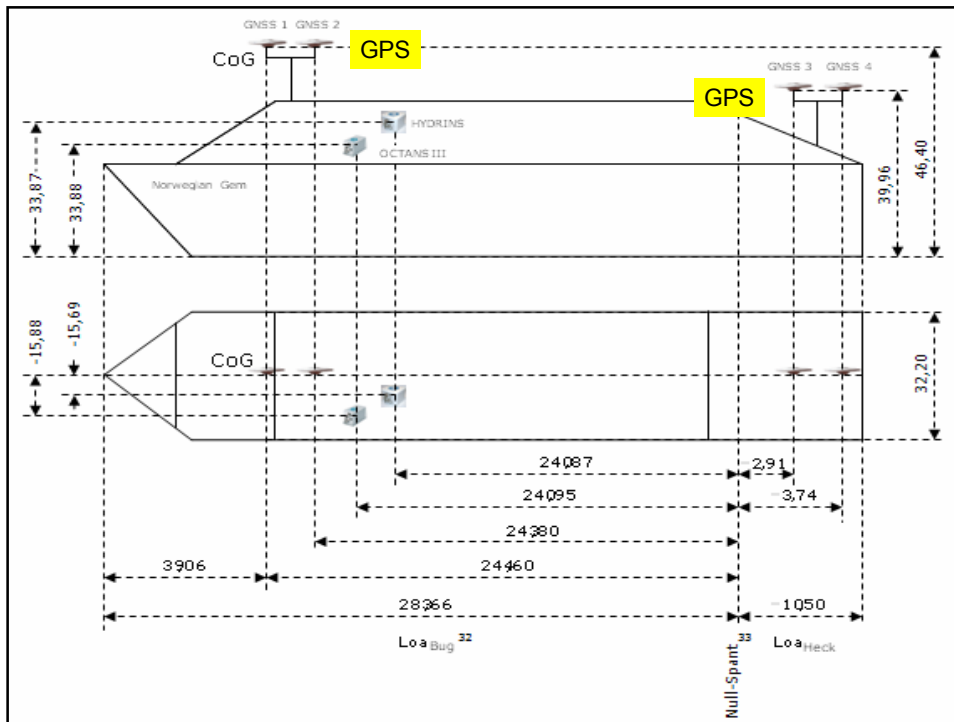
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## Accuracy of Attitude Sensors

- GNSS (geodetic equipment)
  - Depending on length of baseline between antenna
    - Approximation for accuracy
      - $0,3 \text{ [deg * m]} / \text{Length [m]}$  for Heading (300 m : 0,001°)
      - $0,5 \text{ [deg * m]} / \text{Length [m]}$  for Roll and Pitch
      - Higher accuracy with more sensors
- IXSEA OCTANS III
  - Heading
    - $0,1^\circ$  secant latitude (HH: 0,17°)
    - Drift 0,05°/h
  - Roll/Pitch
    - $0,01^\circ$
- IXSEA HYDRINS
  - Heading
    - $0,02^\circ$  secant latitude (HH: 0,034°)
    - Drift 0,01°/h
  - Roll / Pitch: see OCTANS III

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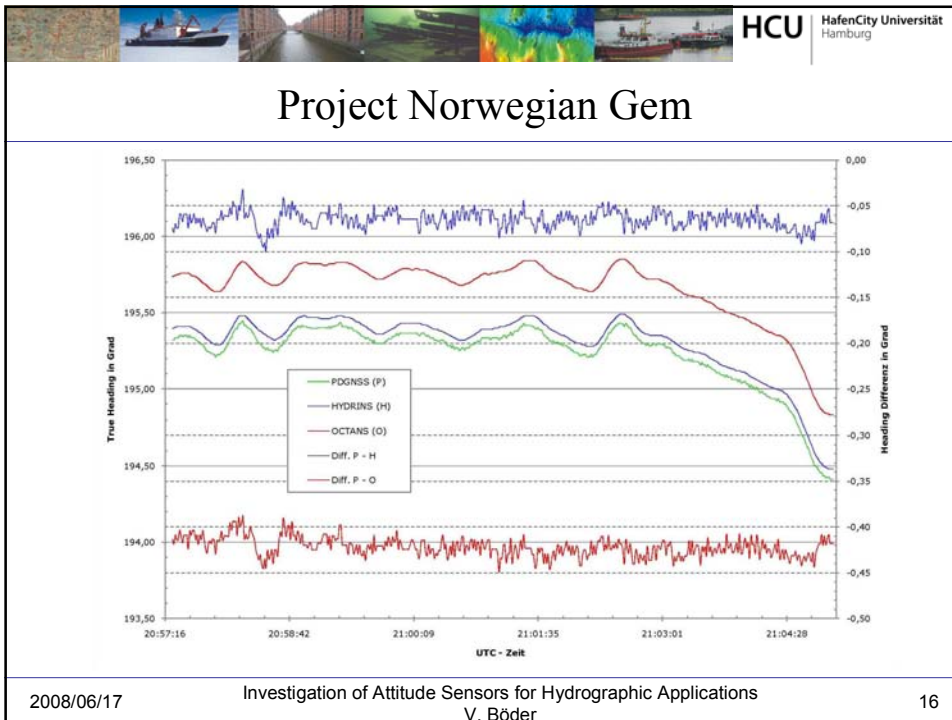
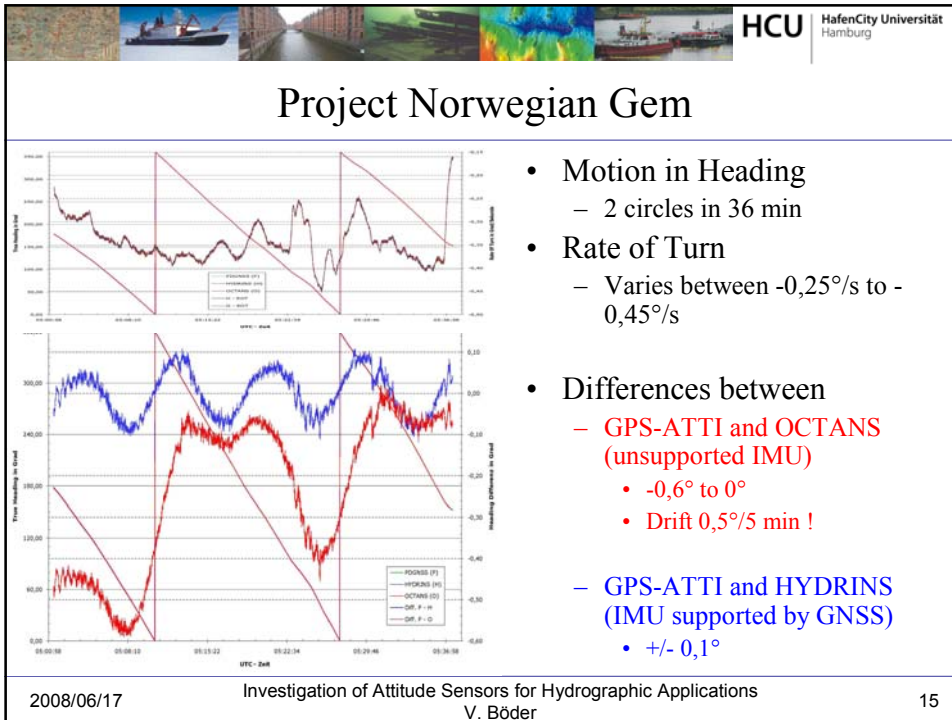
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## Project Norwegian Gem


### Difference between GPS-ATTI, HYDRINS and OCTANS

- Motion Heading
  - 1,3° in 14 min
- Differences
  - **GPS – OCTANS**
    - Noise <0,1°
    - Drift 0,1° / 14 min !
  - **GPS – HYDRINS**
    - +/- 0,02°
    - Drift 0,01°/14min => 0,04°/h ✓

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## Conclusions Project Norwegian Gem

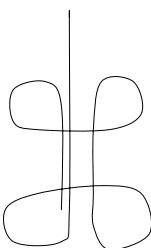
- HYDRINS operates within specifications
- OCTANS III didn't work within the specifications, as expected before
  - Replaced by another OCTANS III from IXSEA
- GPS supported IMU work properly and reliable
- GPS best method in this case, because of the long baseline (250 m)
  
- Shipping successful !!

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## Investigation GNSS – OCTANS III (new)

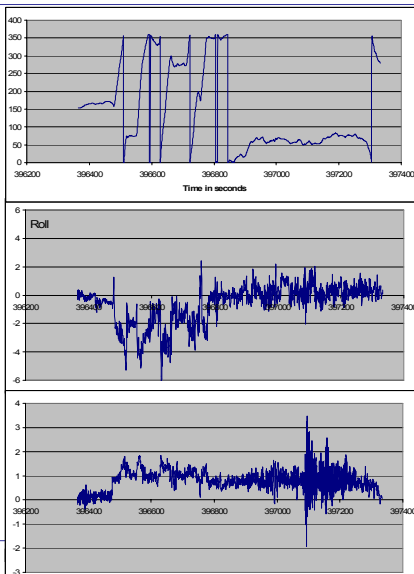
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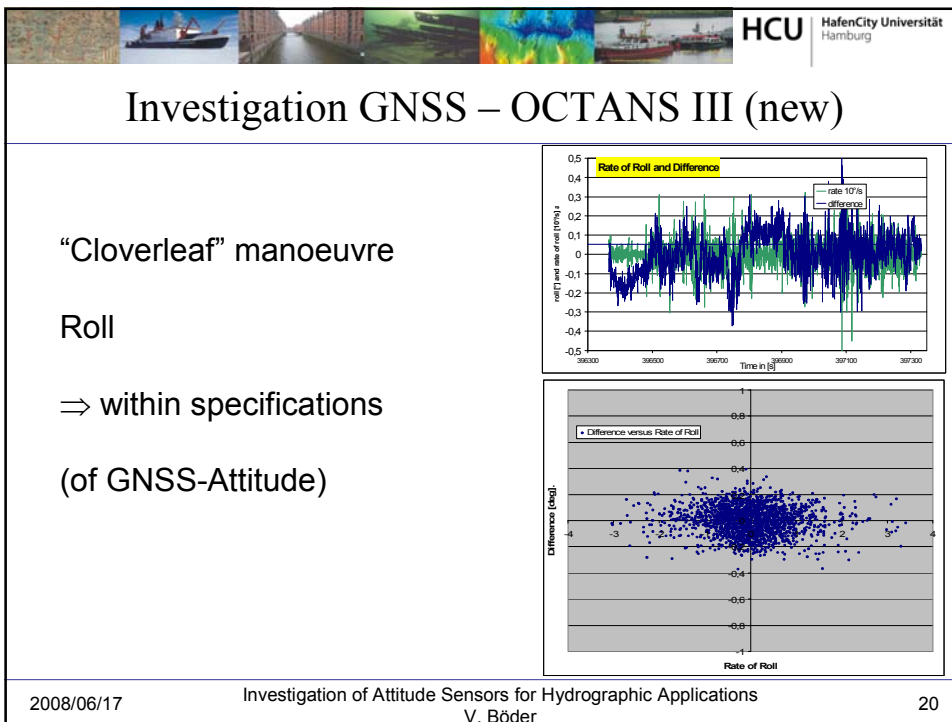
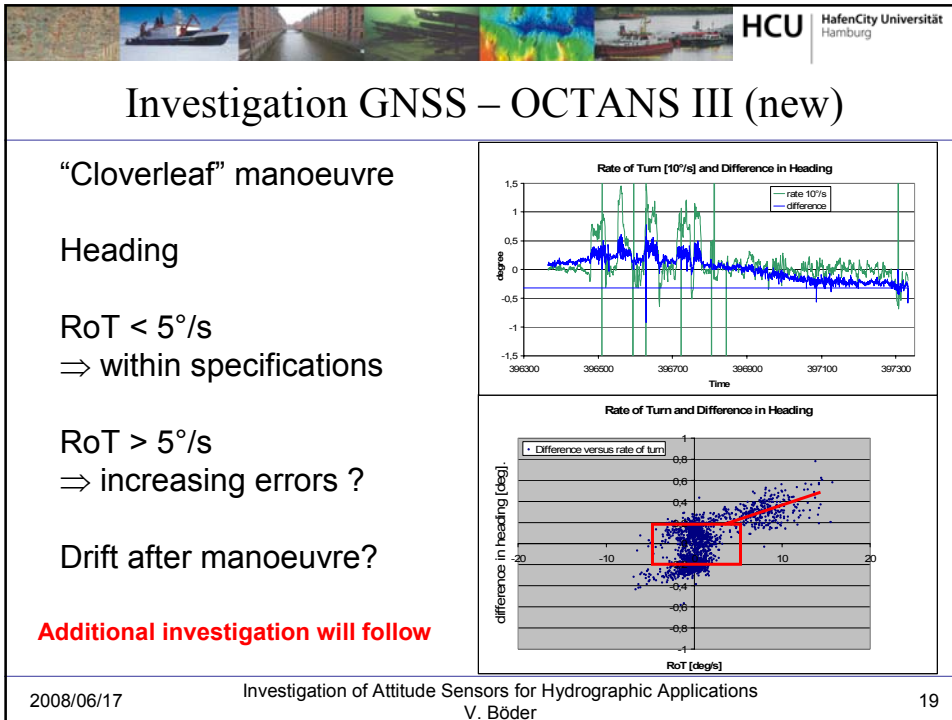
Heading      0° to 360°

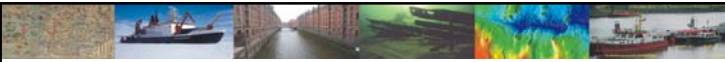
Roll            -6° to +2°

Pitch            -1° to +3°



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## Conclusion GNSS – OCTANS III (new)

“Cloverleaf” manoeuvre

Roll and Pitch  
within specifications of GNSS-Attitude

Heading  
shows increasing errors starting from  
rate of turn of ca. 5°/s

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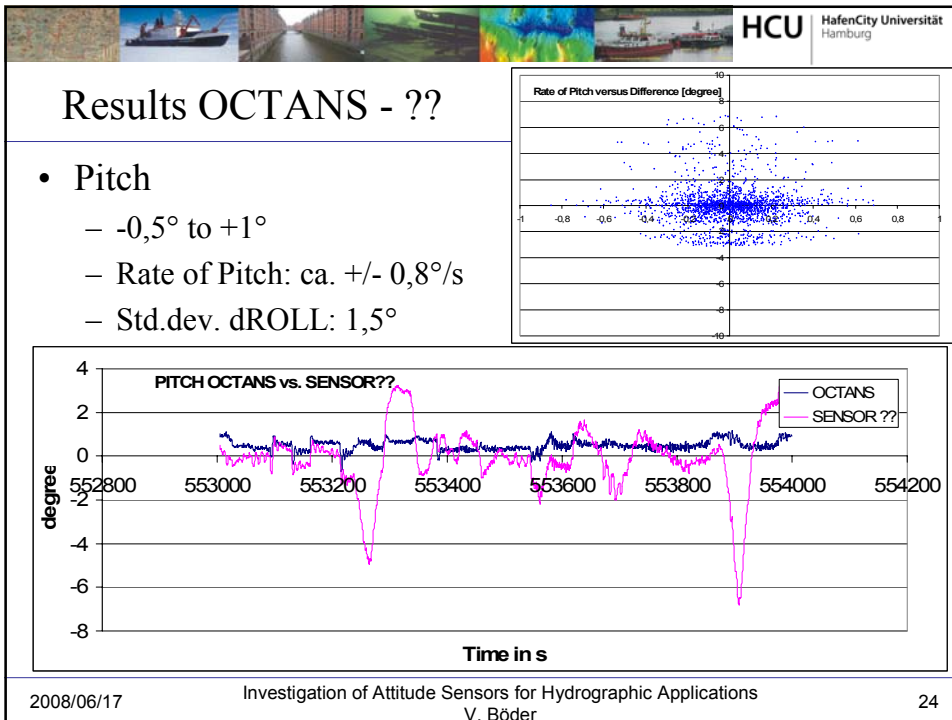
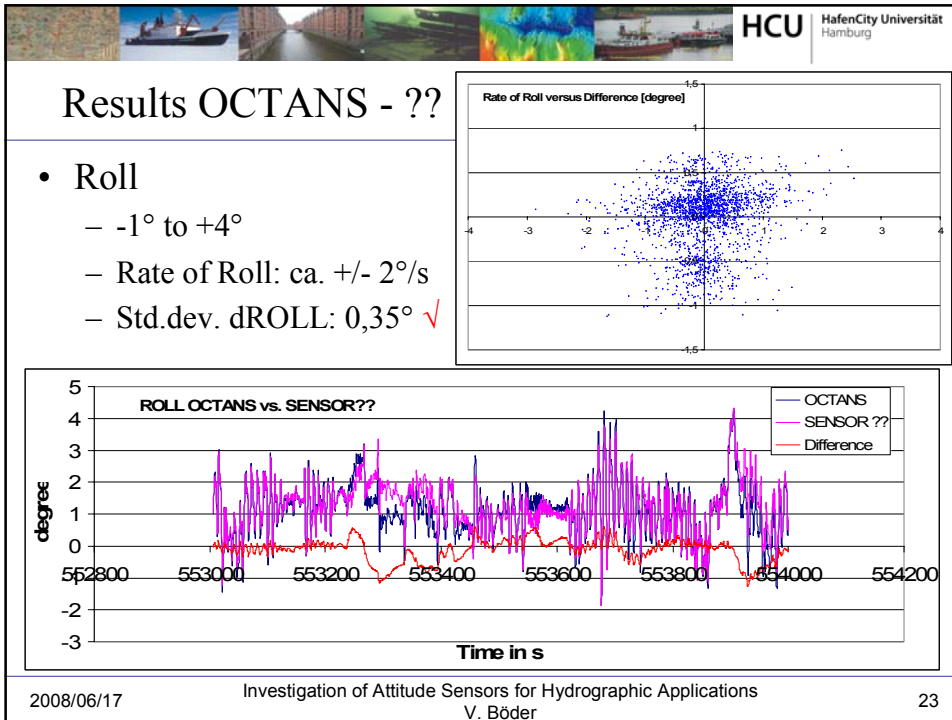


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## Just another sensor

- Project Lake Constance
- Investigation
  - Geo++ - GNATTI
  - IXSEA OCTANS
  - SENSOR ?? (anonymous)
    - Sensor sold with new echosounder (not HCU!)
    - Installed as good as possible, but not in gravitation center
    - Installation was not optimal !!
    - Announced accuracy 0,3° in roll and pitch
  - First result: be aware of + and – declaration!
    - Offsets and
    - Angle definition

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## Low-Cost Sensor XSENS MTi

- Diploma Thesis Michael Barth
- Xsens MTi consists of
  - 3 fiber optical gyro, 3 accelerometer and 3 magnetometer
  - MEMS-components (micro electronic measuring system)
  - output in quaternions and/or Euler


<b>Heading</b>	
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Resolution	0.05 deg
<b>Roll / Pitch</b>	
Static Accuracy	<0.05 deg (for ±90 deg amplitude)
Range No limitation	(-180 deg to 180 deg)
Resolution	0.05 deg
Dynamic Accuracy	2 deg RMS



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## Tests on Survey Launch Level-A



Xsens MTi

IxSea Octans III





JAVAD 4 Gyro  
Geo++ GNATTI

### Performance

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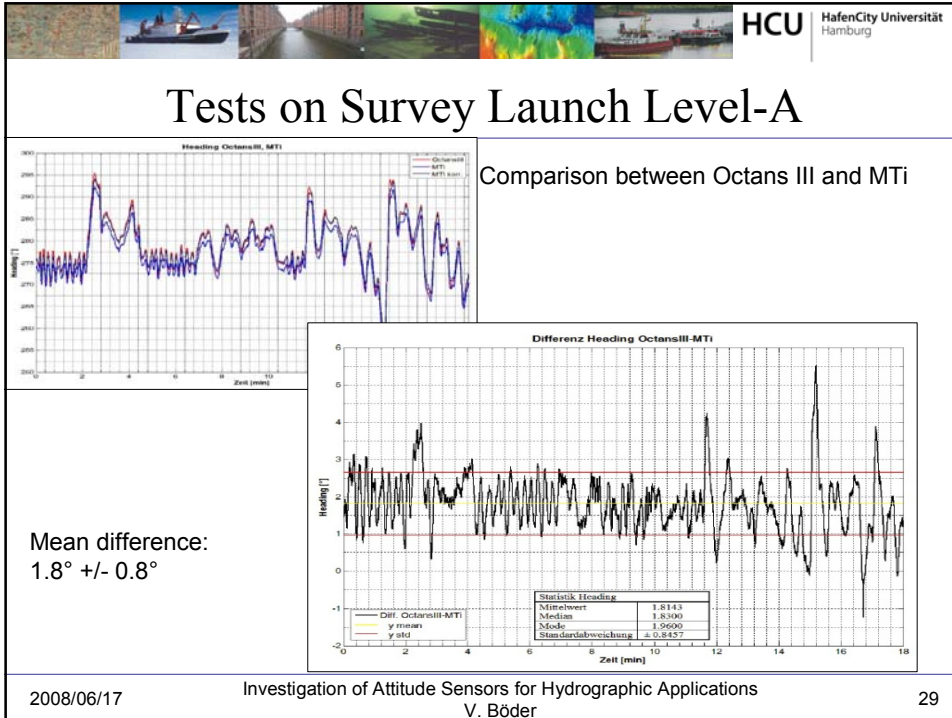
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## level-A

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## Conclusions XSENS MTi

Messung	Heading			Pitch			Roll		
	Mean	Std.	Range	Mean	Std.	Range	Mean	Std.	Range
C2	2,4°	±0,9°	13,5°	0,6°	±0,8°	3,3°	1,7°	±0,3°	4,4°
C3	1,5°	±0,7°	6,8°	0,7°	±0,1°	1,9°	1,5°	±0,3°	2,6°
C4	1,8°	±0,8°	6,8°	0,4°	±0,6°	1,3°	1,8°	±0,2°	2,7°

- within specifications regarding std. dev., but several outliers
  - (see the range)

→ heading: homogeneous magnetic surrounding necessary  
→ sometimes deviations >40° in heading, not shown here

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## Conclusions

- Each motion sensor has own error characteristics, depending on
  - dynamics
    - of the ship
    - of the location on board the ship.
  - Vibrations on board
  - geographical latitude
  - Magnetic influences (In case of use of magnetometer inside the motion sensor)
  
- Reducing the error
  - GNSS support / use
  - System calibration before measurement (!),
  - calibration of motion sensors (?)
  
- Take care of all sensors !
  
- First results inside other projects
  - Goal: systematic investigation / calibration procedure


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*Thanks for your attention  
and have a nice evening*

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## Add ons

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## 2nd IHSC 2008

- **Addressed to interested students**
- **18.08.-30.08.2008 at the Schlei**
- **Near ancient Viking Metropolis Hedeby (Haithabu)**
- **No participation fees**
  - accomodation must be paid
    - bed for 6 Euros in a Danish Rowing Club with kitchen
- **Contact to Producers, Companies and Archaeologists**
- **Searching for**
  - **Wrecks (ships and planes), underwater archaeological sites, morphological structures**

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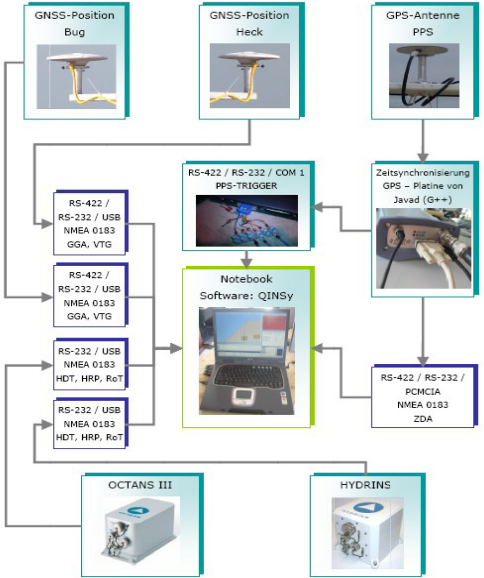


**Welcome to the**  
**- IHSC at the Schlei (18.08.-30.08.2008)**  
**- in the course M.Sc. Hydrography (application until July, 15th, 2008)?**

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## Platform Norwegian Gem





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## Project Norwegian Gem

- Investigation of Attitude Sensors
  - GPS-Attitude
    - 4 GPS-antennae
  - IMU with GPS-Support
    - IXSEA HYDRINS
  - IMU without GPS-Support
    - IXSEA OCTANS III
    - Known before the project:
      - Showing abnormal drifting in hydrographic measurement
      - => Investigation necessary



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