

The potential role of ground based* X-band radar in coastal monitoring climate sensitive parameter

ship, platform or shore based

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Radar Hydrography

outlook

Radar remote sensing has reached a level of maturity to become an important instrument in Earth observation on global, regional and local scales.

The scales are preset by the instrument's carrier: *satellite, airplane, ship or off- / onshore station.*

Radar Hydrography

outlook

Indicators for the global change and its impact to the coastal surrounding are *wind, waves, currents, sea level, coastline, bathymetry, ice coverage* and others.

Radar can register the status and monitor the change of most of these parameter in coastal areas and in the open sea.



Integrated Monitoring for the Coastal Management









The change of radar cross section during a tidal cycle



Depending on water level and current direction the signature is changed.



This ADCP profile demonstrates the steering of the current speed by the cross section.





Doppler frequency shift

The Doppler shift is detected in 256 radial cells.



RDCP = <u>R</u>adar <u>D</u>oppler <u>C</u>urrent <u>P</u>rofiler





Bathymetry deduced from RDCP





Land based radar









Flow chart of DiSC











about 25%.) was transported into the observation area.

Depth (m)

Current Field

Normal Tide Conditions

The radial range of the area is about 1 nm.



Radar Hydrography

summary

By means of direct observation and inverse modeling important hydrodynamic field parameter can be deduced.

The feature of area covering observation makes the radar to be an indispensable instrument in monitoring ocean and coastal waters especially to manifest changes.



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Sand displacement observed since 2000 (Lister Landtief)

Lotungen 2000 - 2003

Radarmessungen 2001 - 2003







Displacement of Sand in the *Lister Landtief* **since 2000**

Soundings 2001 - 2004

Radar observation 2001 - 2003



Insight in the background

The isotropic Dispersion and the non isotropic Dispersion



Undisturbed Dispersion over deep water

Dispersion over shallow depth

Dispersion under the influence of current



Flow chart



Power within one wave number plane at a fixed frequency

Power from the full image 2000 m * 2000 m



view direction





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The definition of filter bins.









Example for a phase map.

The re-transformed wave structures do have the same phases and speeds. The wave number differs locally depending on depth.



Example for a power map, pointing by its value to the locations with considerable contribution to the power in the actual bin.



Merging phase and significance we get the locations that contributed to the power within the individual bins.

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Example for the localisation of power within a given grid cell

Power from the full image 2000 m * 2000 m



Integrated power for one frequency level for one 40 m * 40 m grid cell





The localization procedure

- By integrating the power of all directions and all frequencies we receive a 3Dspectrum for each grid cell.
- For each localized spectrum the deviation from dispersion is deduced.



Range of application

limitations

- 1. Ratio wave length to local water depth
- the deeper the water the longer the needed waves



$$\left| \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (h(x)) \le 0.5m; where \, \partial x \approx 30m \right|$$

- flat sea bottom provides accurate results
- slopes in the bottom cause an over estimation of radar depth
- 3. Radar range resolution
- For the detection of the local wave number the corresponding wave should be sampled about 4 times

$$\begin{split} \lambda_{shortest} &\approx 4\Delta r \\ for : \Delta r &= 7.5m \rightarrow \lambda_{shortest} \approx 30m \\ &\rightarrow h_{local} \geq 3.0m \end{split}$$



Time series of Doppler spectra of a moderate sea state





 Step: To know the directional wave spectrum we conduct a WaMoS measurement to find the best view direction for the antenna of the coherent measurement.



The spectral analysis of the coherent signal will as well provide the positions and speeds of breaking waves.



