



ONBOARD STABILITY MONITORING THROUGH ROLL MOTION ANALYSIS

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- Introduction
- How to assess stability?
- Methodology based on the FFT
- EMD + HHT + detector
- Conclusions

Motivation

- High accident rate

Possible causes

- Incorrect risk assessment on board



Guidance systems → group of procedures and recommendations to provide clear information about the stability of the ship

Main requirements:

1. Ease of use
2. Simple implementation and installation on board and low cost
3. Minimum crew interaction

Main parameters that affect the **stability** of the vessel:

- Metacentric height

- Vertical centre of gravity $\longrightarrow KG = KM - GM$

- Righting arm \longrightarrow
 $GZ = GM \cdot \sin(\theta); \theta < 10^\circ$
 $GZ = KN - KG \cdot \sin(\theta); \theta > 10^\circ$

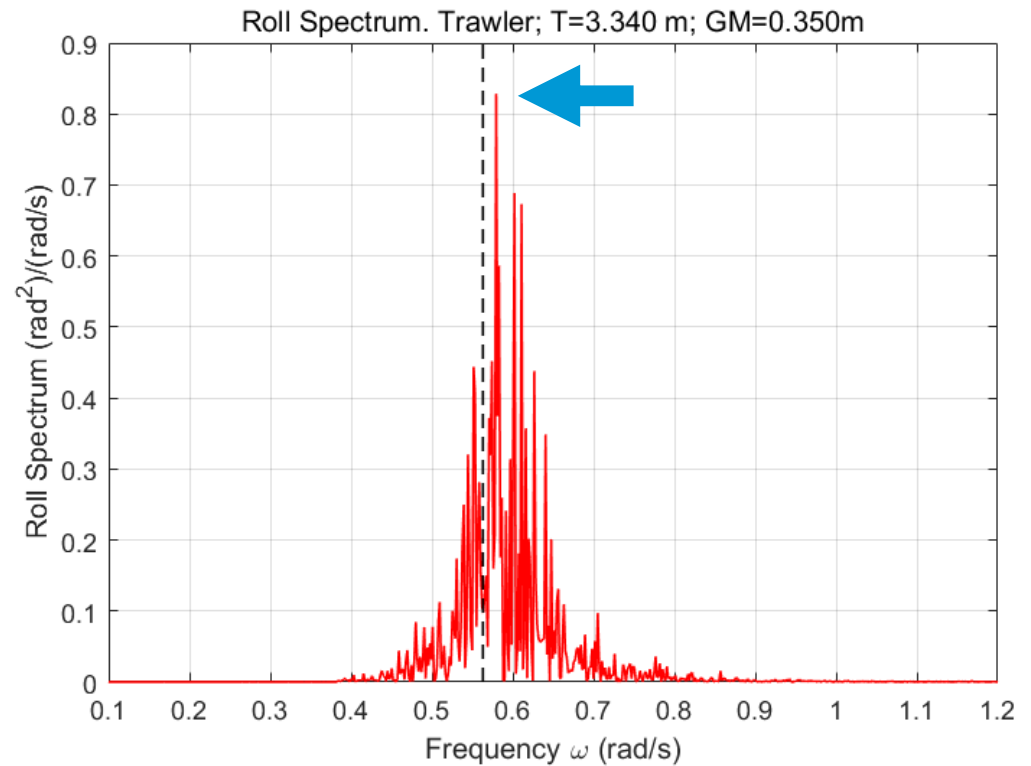
- Freeboard

$$GM = \frac{(I_{xx} + A_{44}) \cdot \omega_0^2}{g \cdot \Delta} \rightarrow GM = \frac{k_{xx}^2 \cdot \omega_0^2}{g}$$

(Weiss formula)

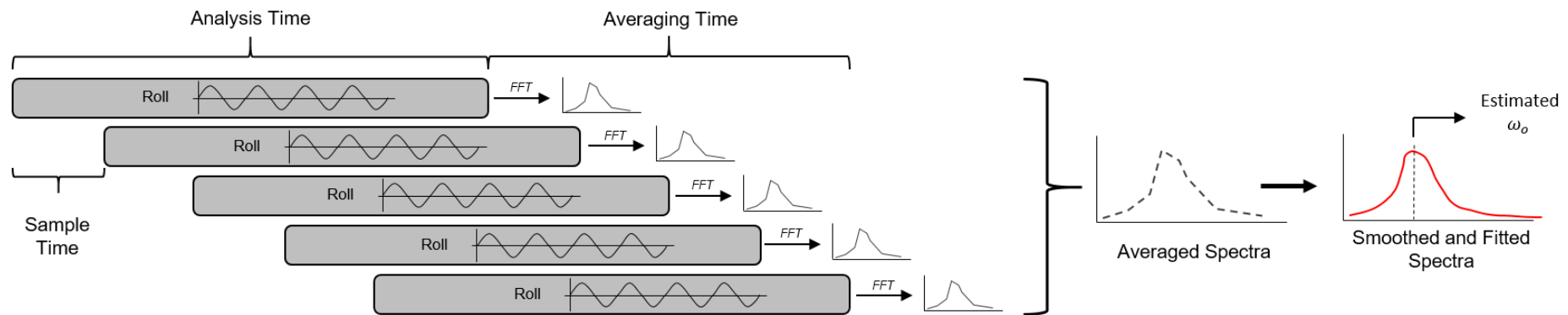
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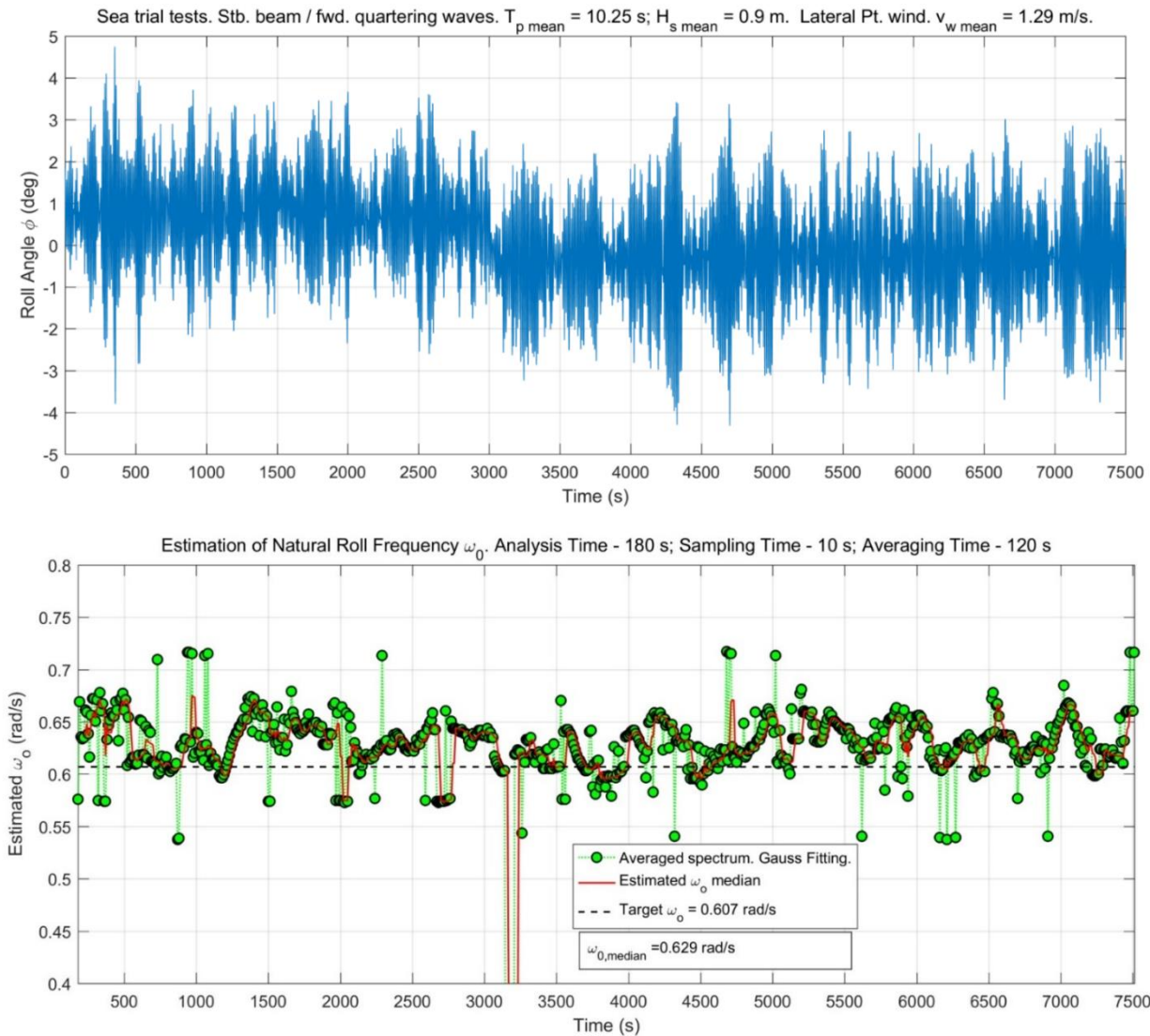


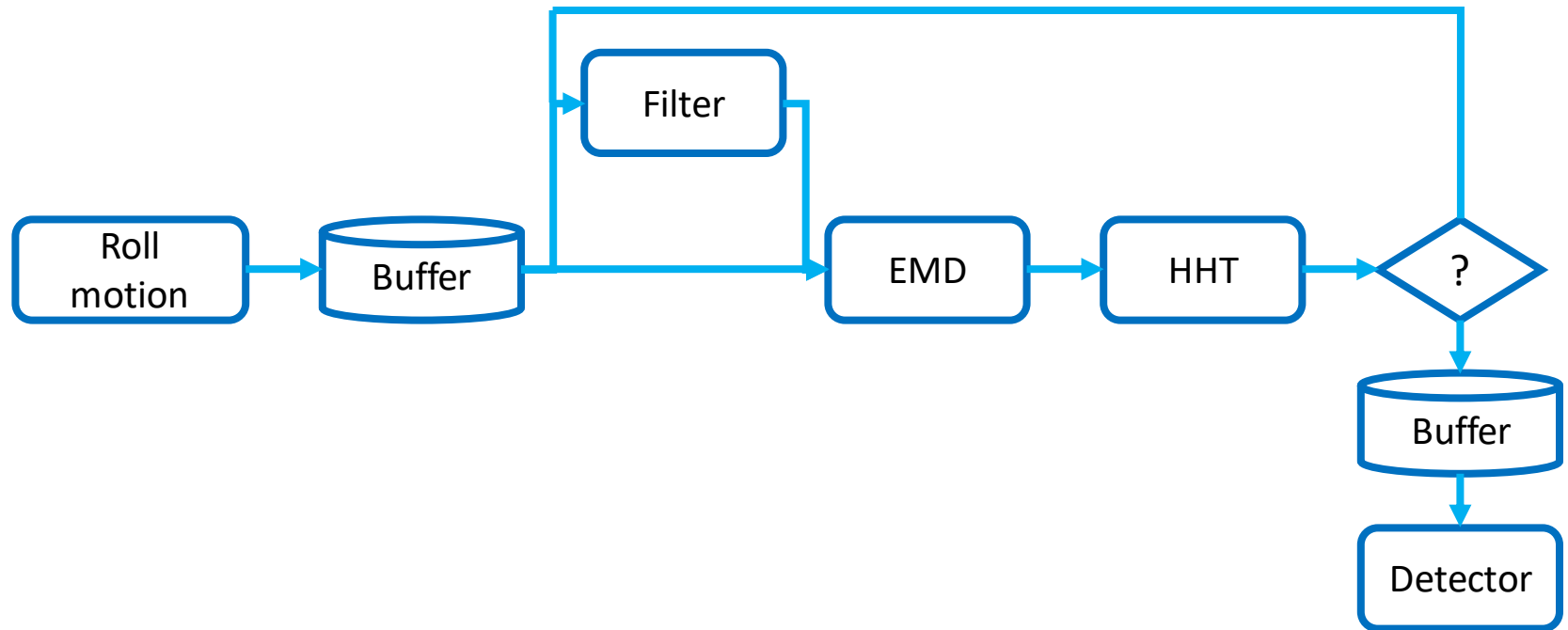
Stability monitoring system:

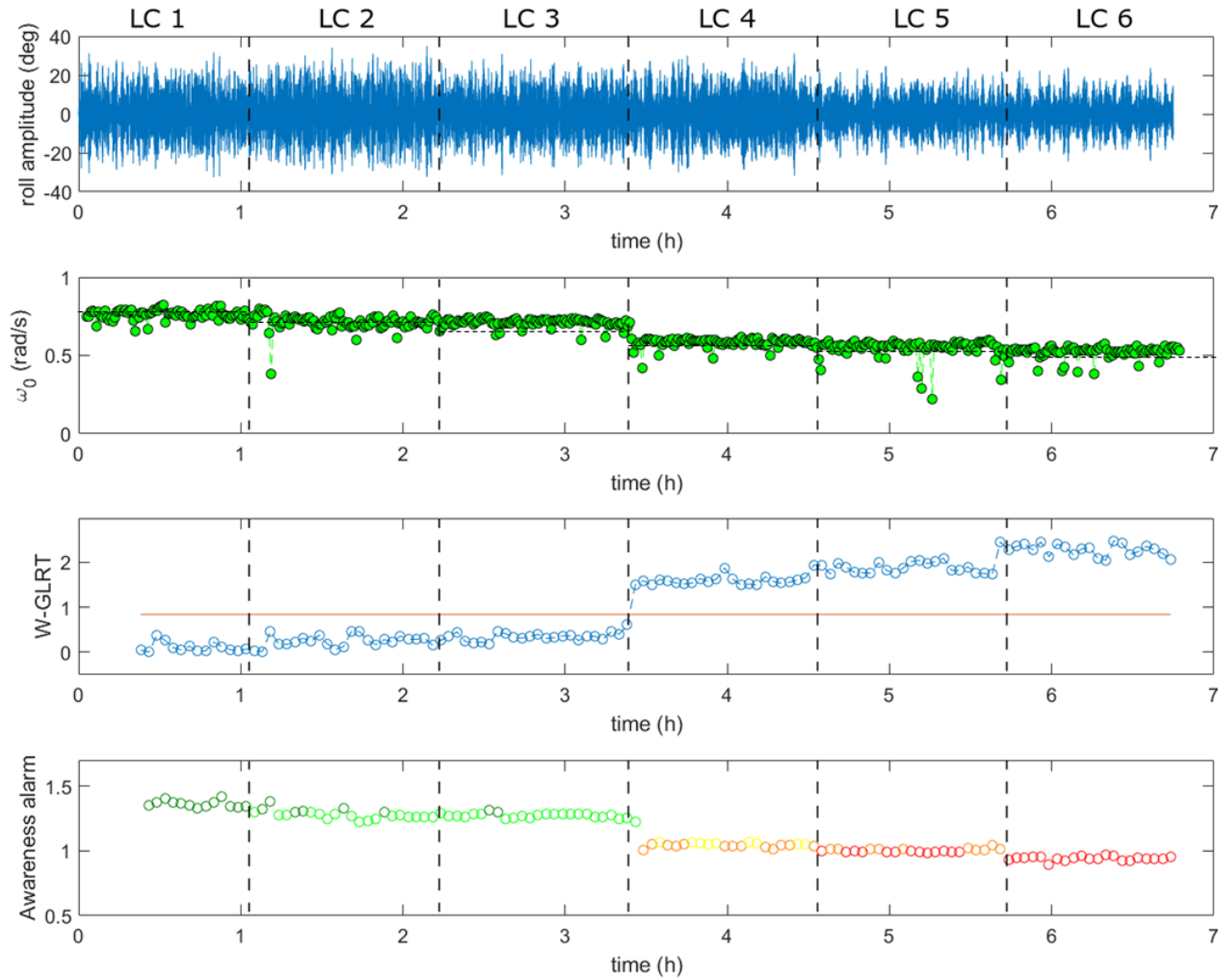
1. Real-time estimation of stability from roll motion
2. Minimize crew interaction



*Performance depends on external excitations







- Two methodologies for estimating in real-time ω_0 have been proposed.
- Validation has been performed with:
 - Simulated time series
 - Experimental tests
 - Fishing campaign
- Direct application to any other type of vessel
- Main advantage: the methodology is vessel model independent



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