Identify and visualize Dutch inland waterways vessel movement anomalies during low water levels

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Topic background

- Water level fluctuations that affect inland navigation happens from time to time
- Low water level limits vessel traffic and cargo capacity
- Automatic Identification System (AIS) is used to improve safety at sea and inland navigation
- AIS data recorded the movement of vessels in time and space

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- Anonymized AIS data provided by Rijkswaterstaat, with privacy conditions that the data cannot be saved in a personal disk.
- The datasets are stored in Azure cloud under TU Delft.
- A glimpse of the dataset:

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1	Original size (rows)	After cleaning	Only cargo & tanker vessels
2016-10	35,064,275	14,928,190	11,907,144
2016-12	31,179,509	10,545,315	8,848,795
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Data

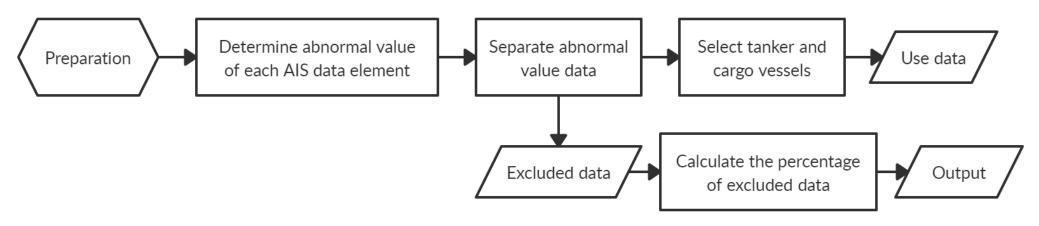
Toolsets

- Azure cloud storage
- Anaconda
- Python
- Jupyter Notebook

Python modules:

- Pandas
- Dask
- GeoPandas
- Matplotlib
- hvPlot
- HoloViews
- Plotly Express
- Shapely
- GeographicLib

Data cleaning and preparation



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Upstream

data

Validate Market Observations

Four Statements:

- 1. Ships have less cargo capacity
- 2. The waterway is busier than usual
- 3. Ships reduce speed to minimize the dynamic draft
- 4. Smaller vessels shift operation area to the Rhine

