

# Vessel Optimization and Safety System (VOSS)





“Some people are weather wise,  
but most are otherwise”

Benjamin Franklin

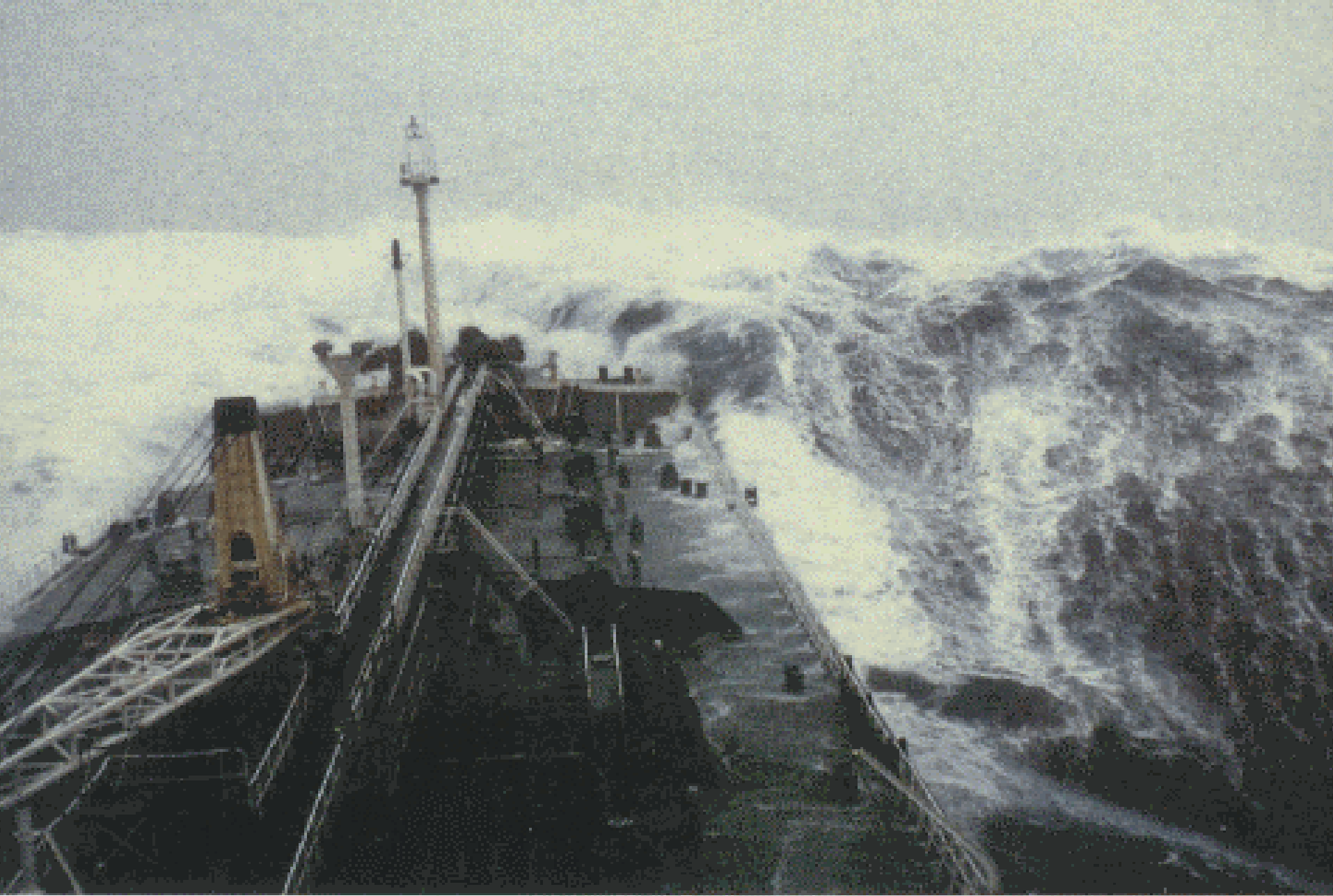


# Sources of Heavy Weather Damage

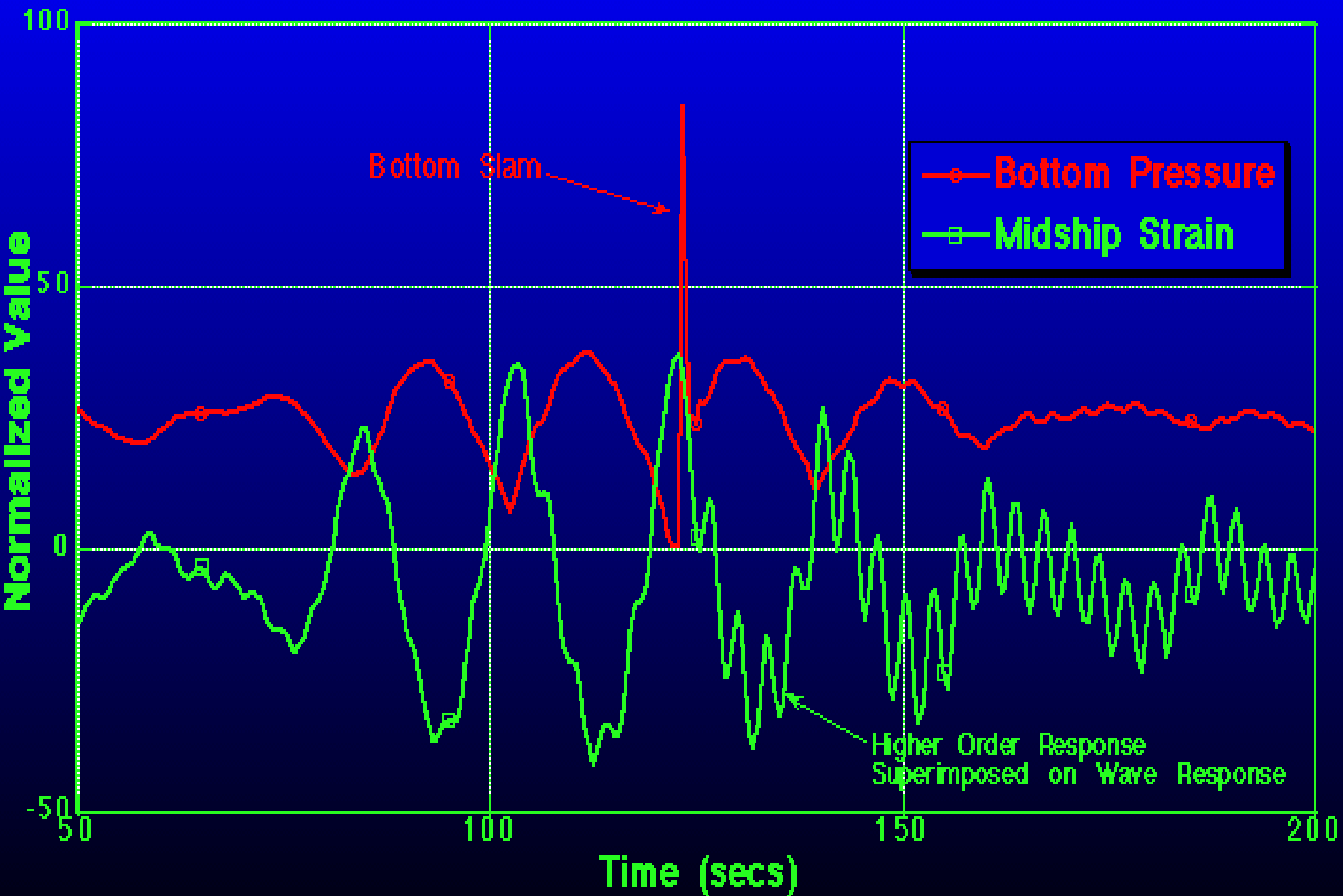
- ◆ Weather routing not taking ship responses into account
- ◆ Operator not knowing the ship's design limits
- ◆ Ship too big too powerful to get the feel
- ◆ Improper loading for the expected wind and waves conditions
- ◆ Commercial pressure on the captain to take unwarranted risks



Too late to exercising “Prudent Seamanship”



# Bottom Slam

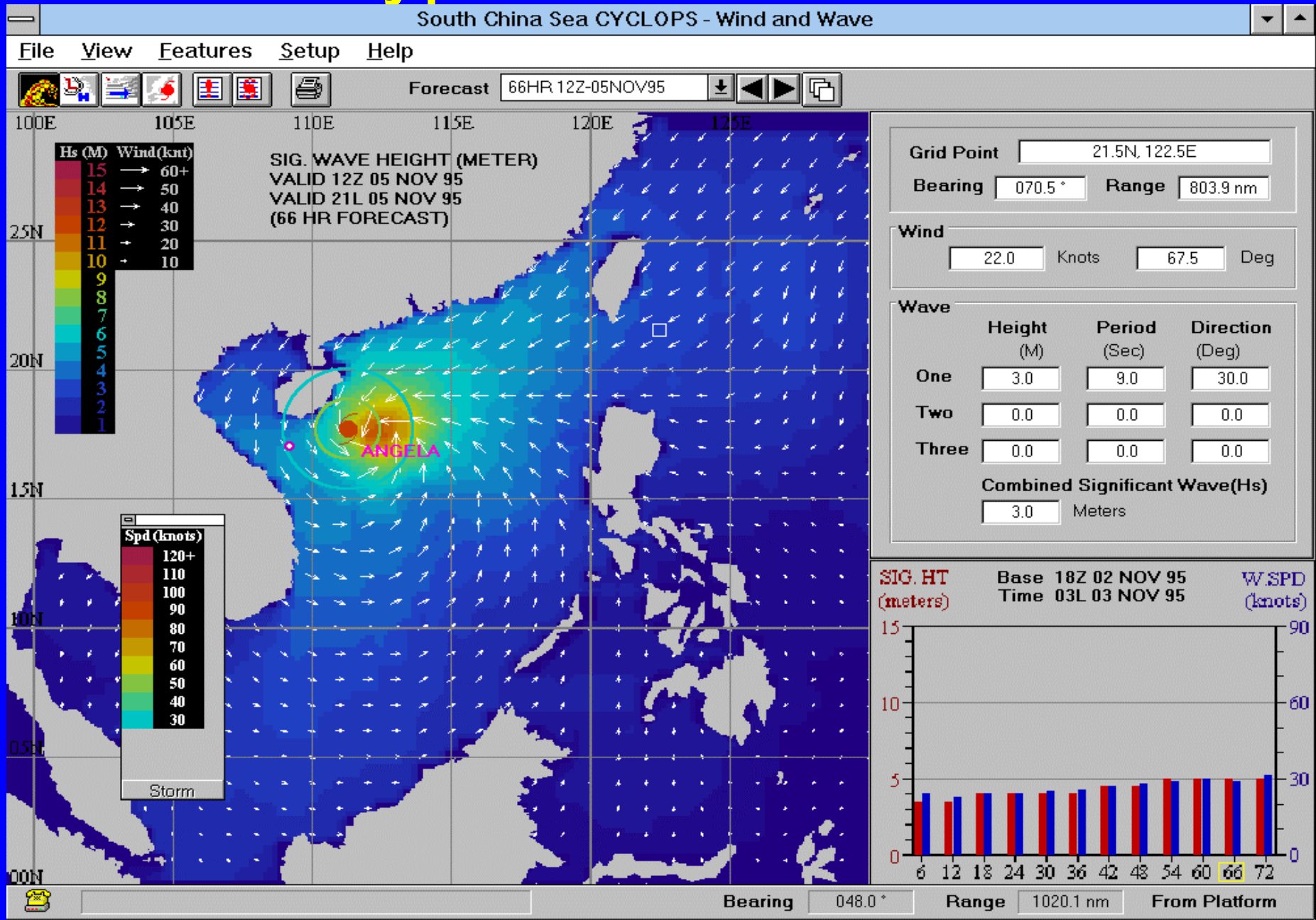


# Parametric Rolling

- ◆ Wide beam, large flare and
- ◆ Transom stern hull form
- ◆ Large stability variations as wave travel along the ship length due to water plan area changes
- ◆ Could happen in head or following seas
- ◆ Sudden, unexpected large roll motion with high lateral accelerations developed in minutes
- ◆ Resonance occurs when the wave encounter period or pitch period is half the natural roll period of the ship



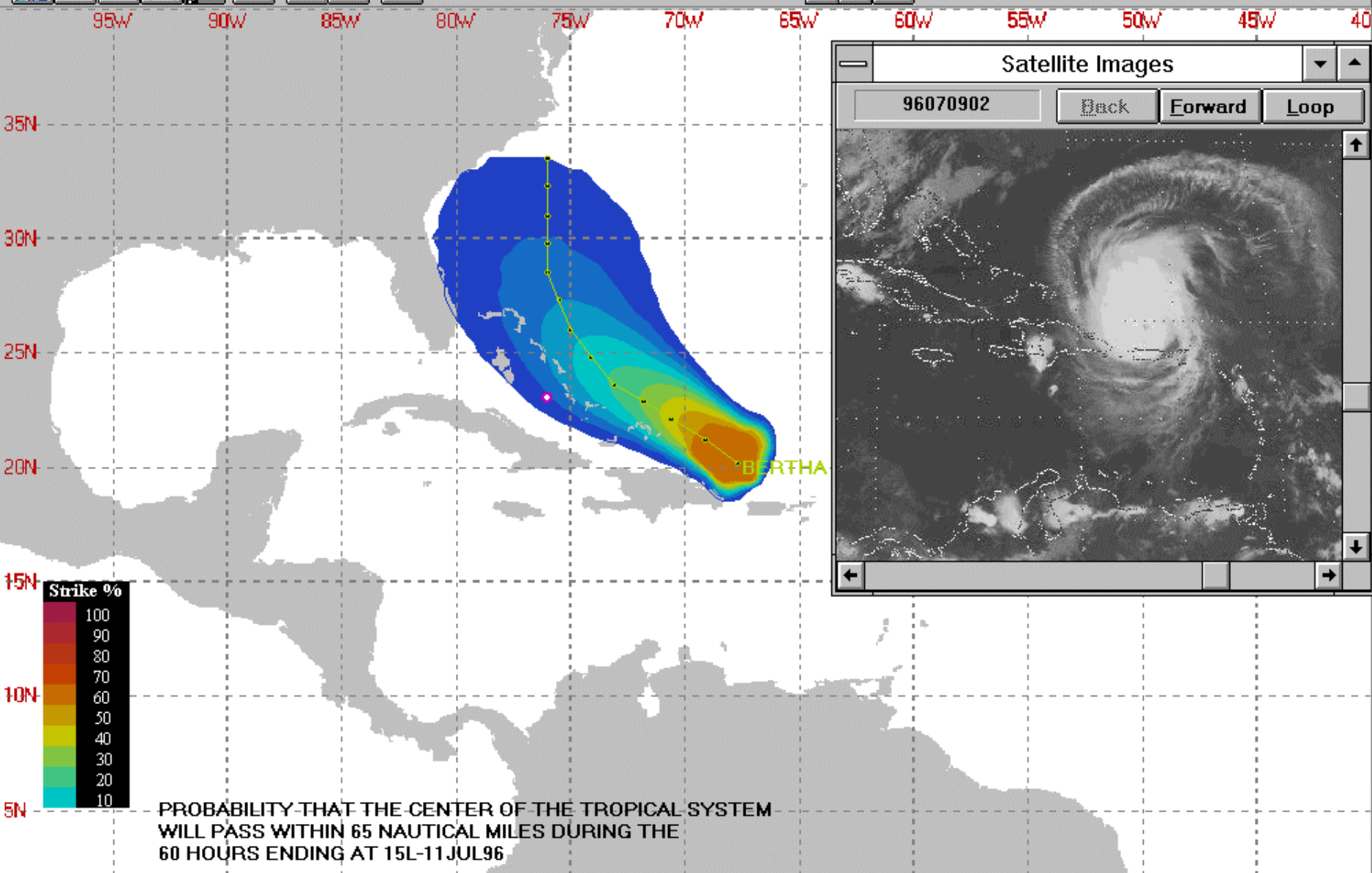
# Typhoon Forecast



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Forecasts 60HR 18Z-11JUL96



Pointer Position: 31.84N, 63.7W

Bearing

051.1 °

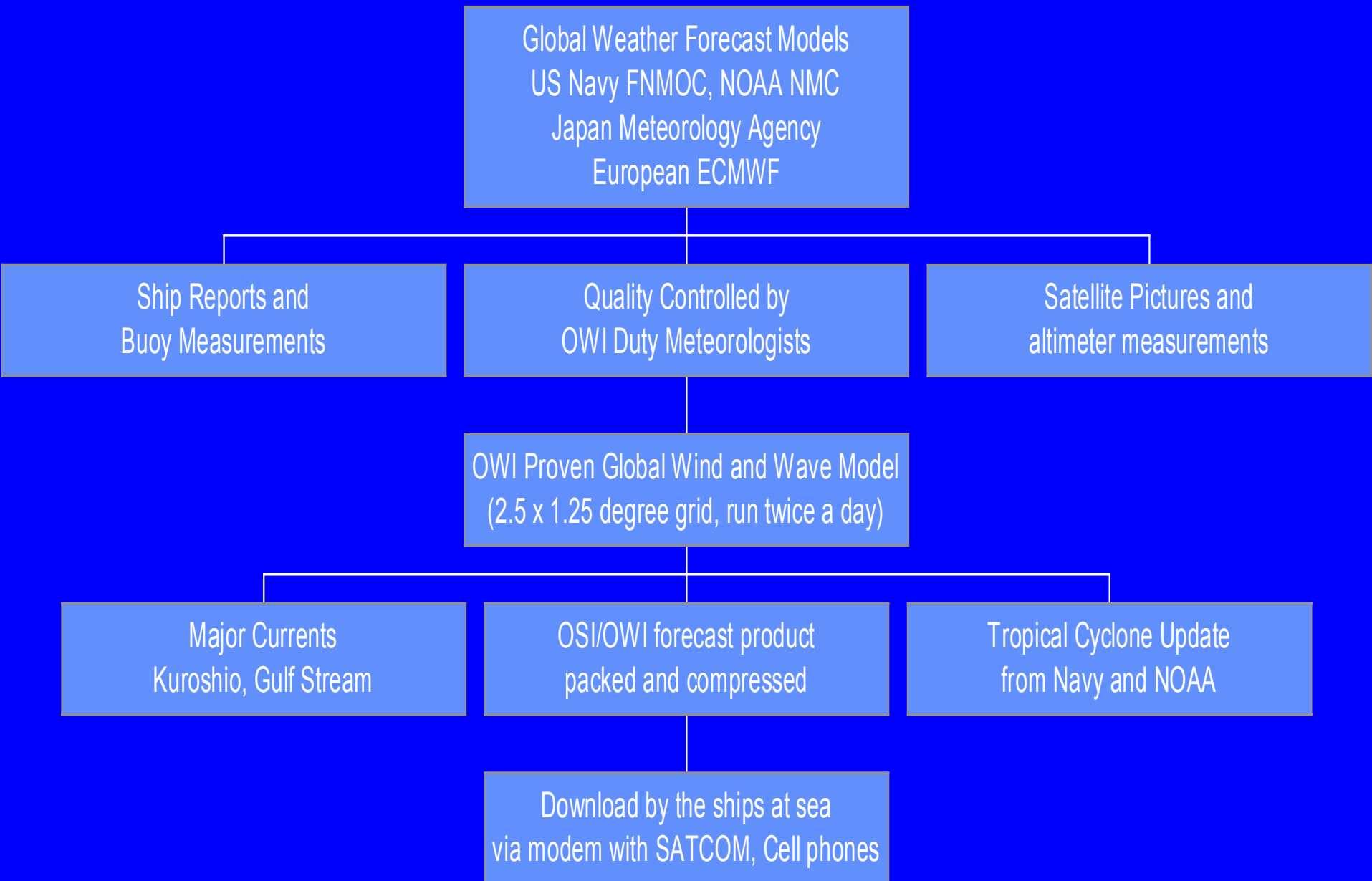
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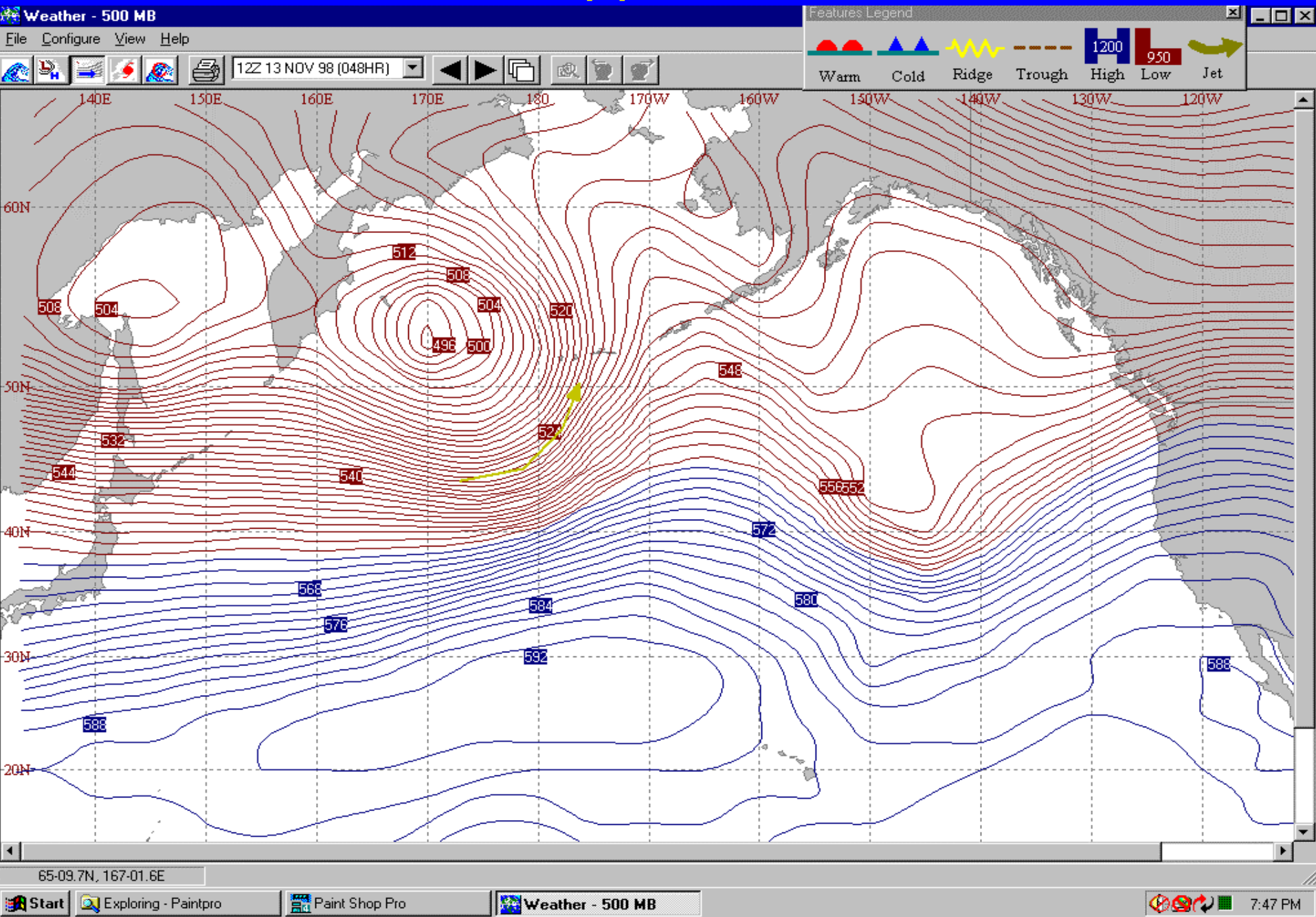
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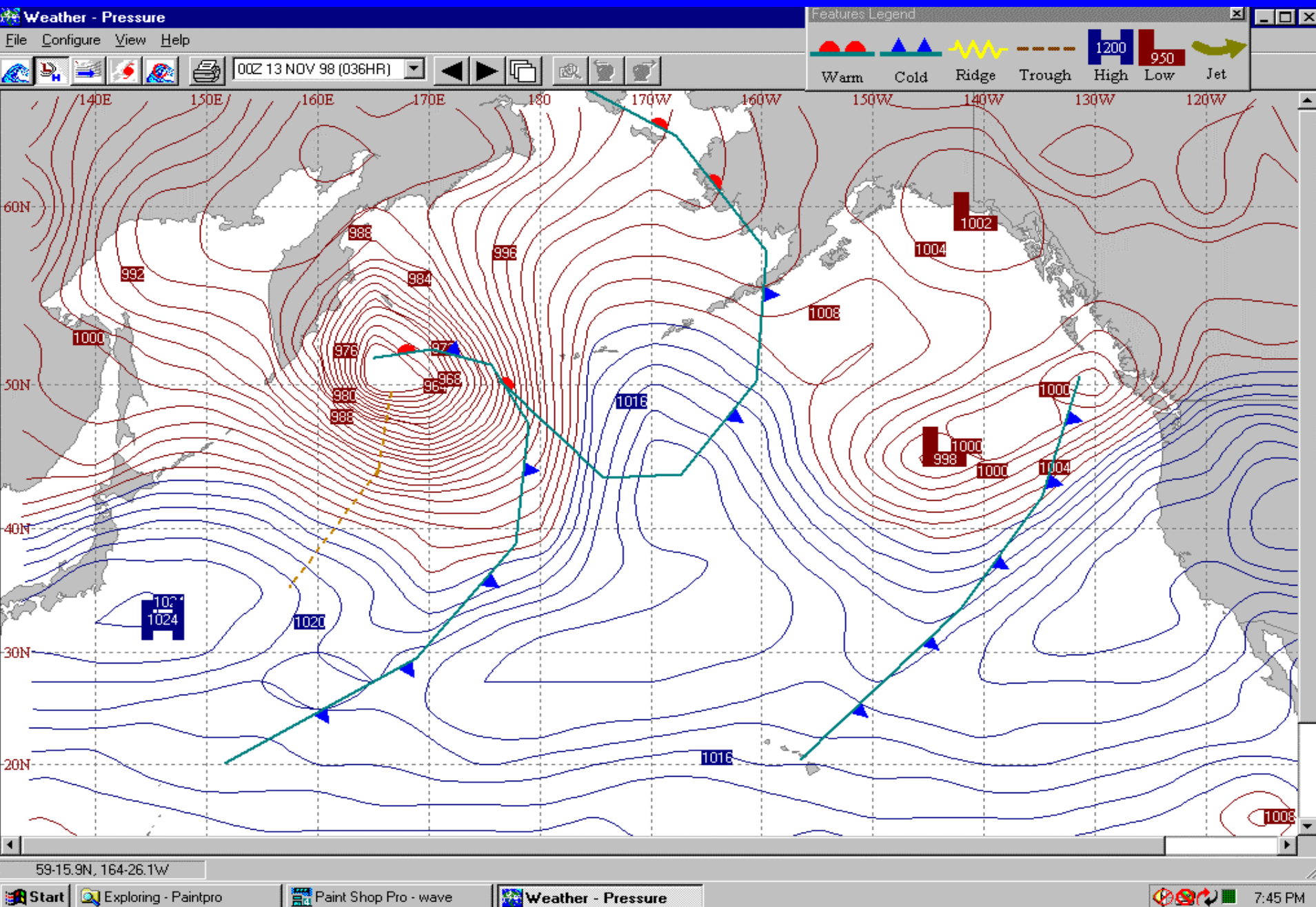
# The OWI/OSI Weather forecast process



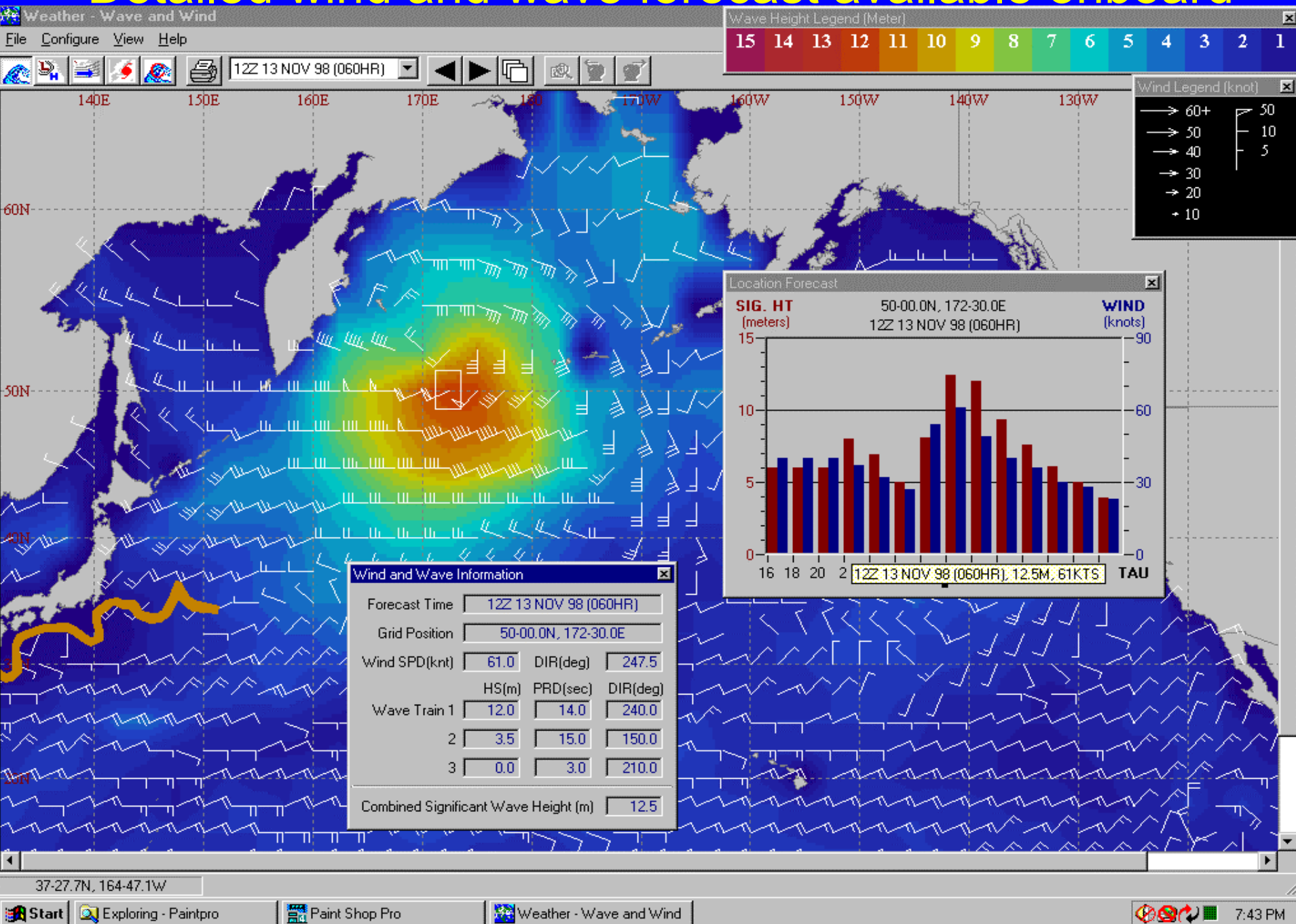
# 500MB Upper Air Charts



# Surface Pressure Charts

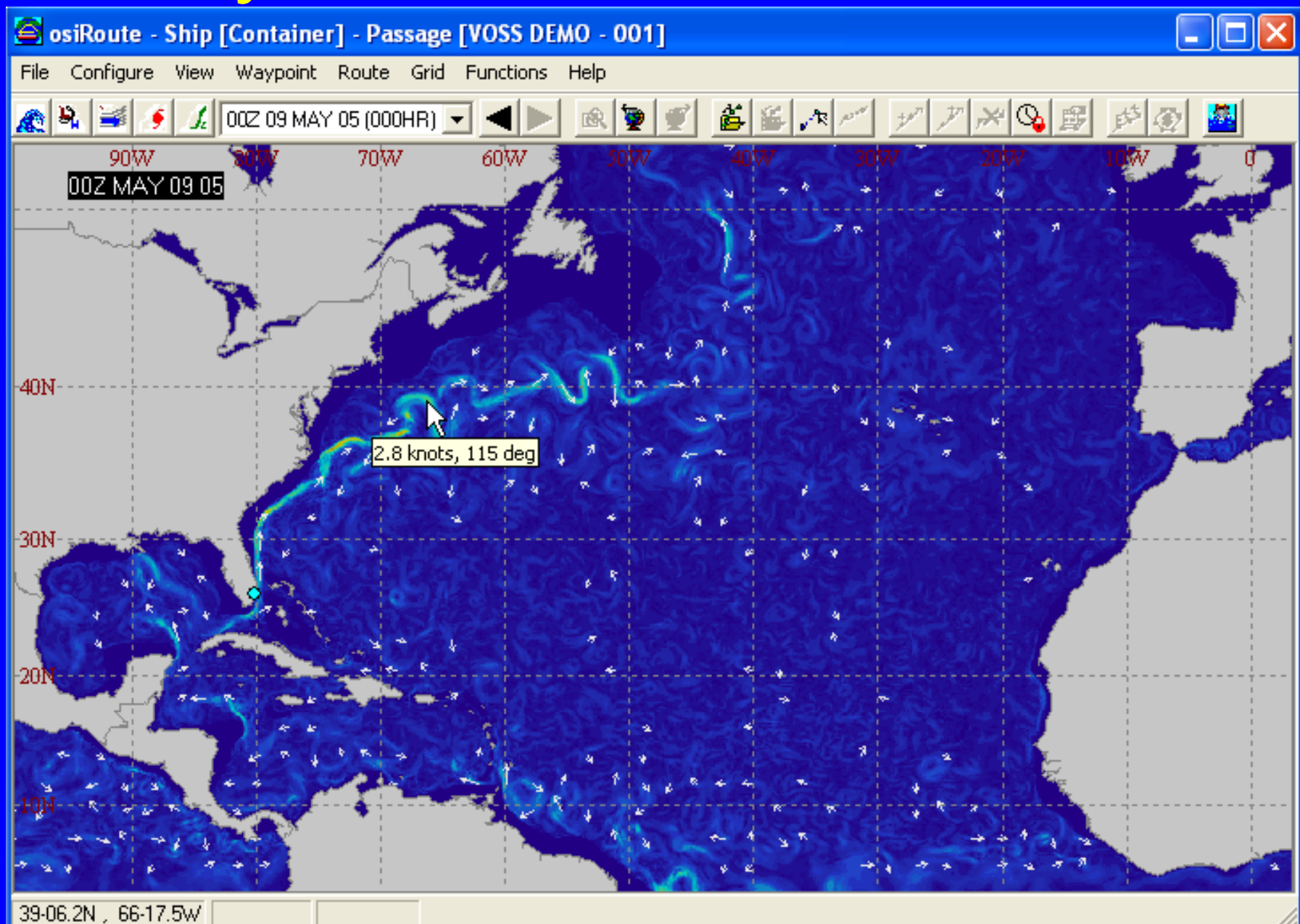


# Detailed wind and wave forecast available onboard





# Daily Global Current Nowcast



# Shipboard voyage planning process

Download weather from OSI

Program generates weather charts

GPS, Gyro, Echosounder  
KYMA, Anemometer

Displays weather and  
Performance Data

Motion Sensor  
Accelerations, roll, pitch

Customized ship performance  
models with actual load  
conditions from CARGOMAX

Optimize route plan based on  
ETA, Minimum Fuel without exceed  
stress, motion and overload limits

Sperry VMS or other  
Electronic Chart System

Execute and refine voyage plan with actual  
Ship position, ETA requirement and weather

# Safe Operating Envelope

Route - [Passage] San Francisco to Valdez

File Configure View Waypoint Route Grid Functions Help

163W 150W 135W 120W

45N

**Passage Properties**

Passage Safe Operation Envelope

**Motion Limits**

	Recommended	Specified	Use
Roll Angle (Deg)	25	20.0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Pitch Angle (Deg)	5	2.0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Lat. Accel.(g)	0.45	0.45	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Vert. Accel.(g)	0.45	0.45	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Bow Slam/Hr.	3	3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Deck Submerge/Hr.	30	30	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prop Emerge./Hr.	30	30	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Vertical Bending Moment Limits**

Frame #	Max.	Static (%)	Use
68	193	28	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
58	151	12	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
52	166	34	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**Vertical Shear Force Limits**

Frame #	Max.	Static (%)	Use
68	147	83	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
36	152	64	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
29	151	69	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**Tropical CYCLONE Avoidance Limit**

0 nm from 35 Wind Circle ☐

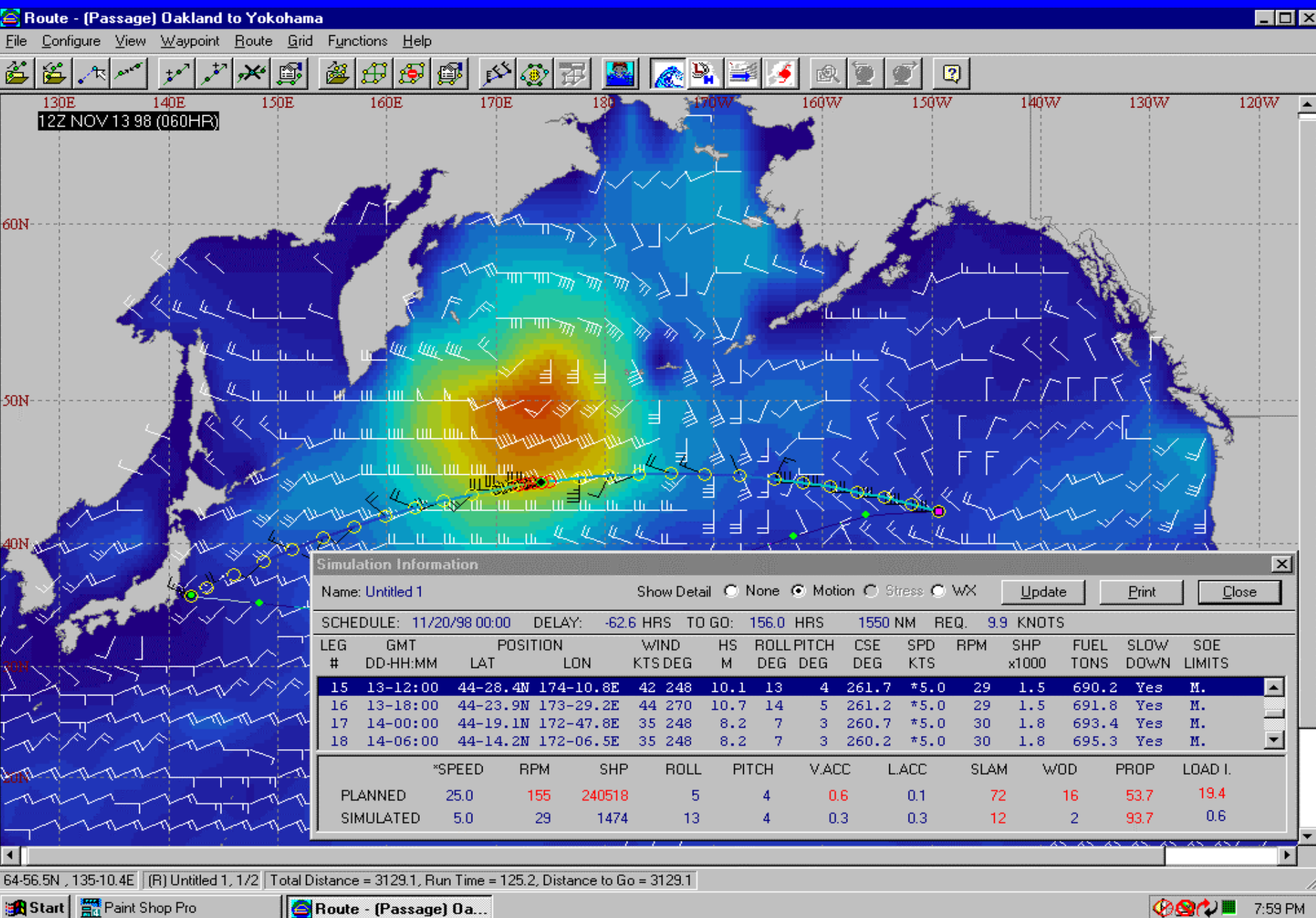
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59-32.5N , 160-16.3W (R) San Francisco to Valdez, 1/4 Total Distance = 1685.6, Run Time = 112.4, Distance to Go = 1685.6

Start My Computer Exploring - 3½ Floppy (A:) Route - (Passage) San Fra...

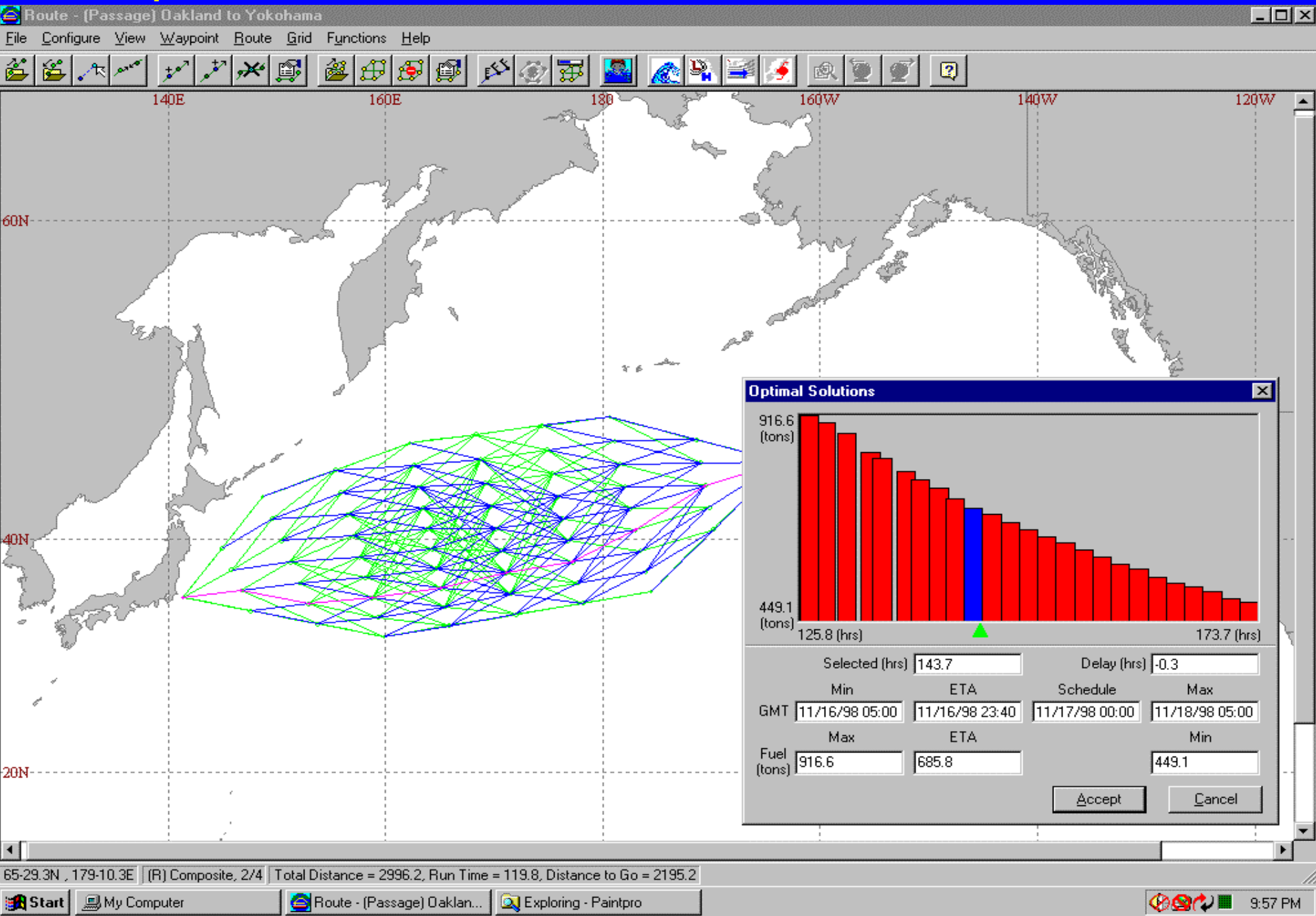
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# Route Simulation in forecast wind and waves





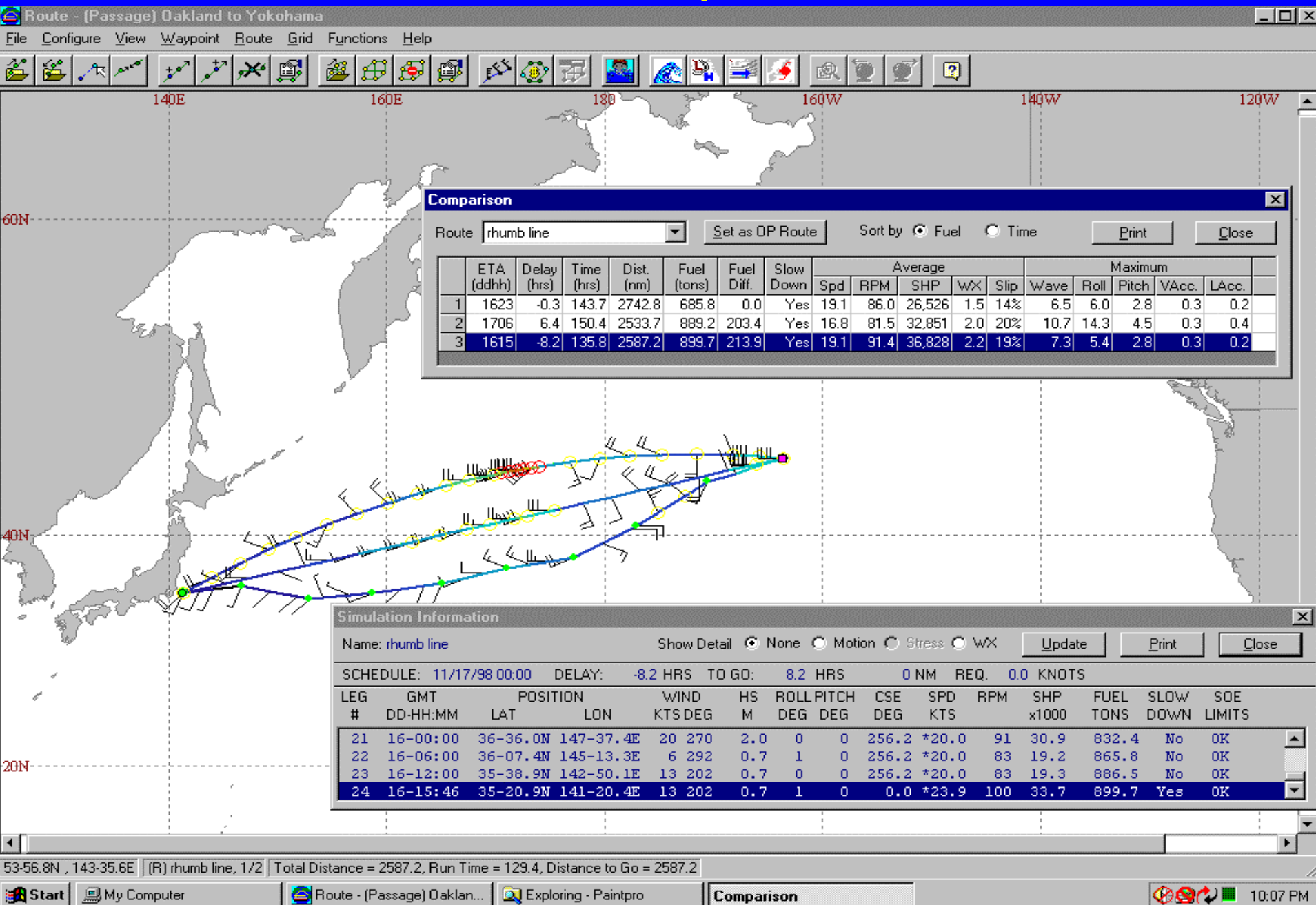
# Optimization to arrive on time with minimum fuel



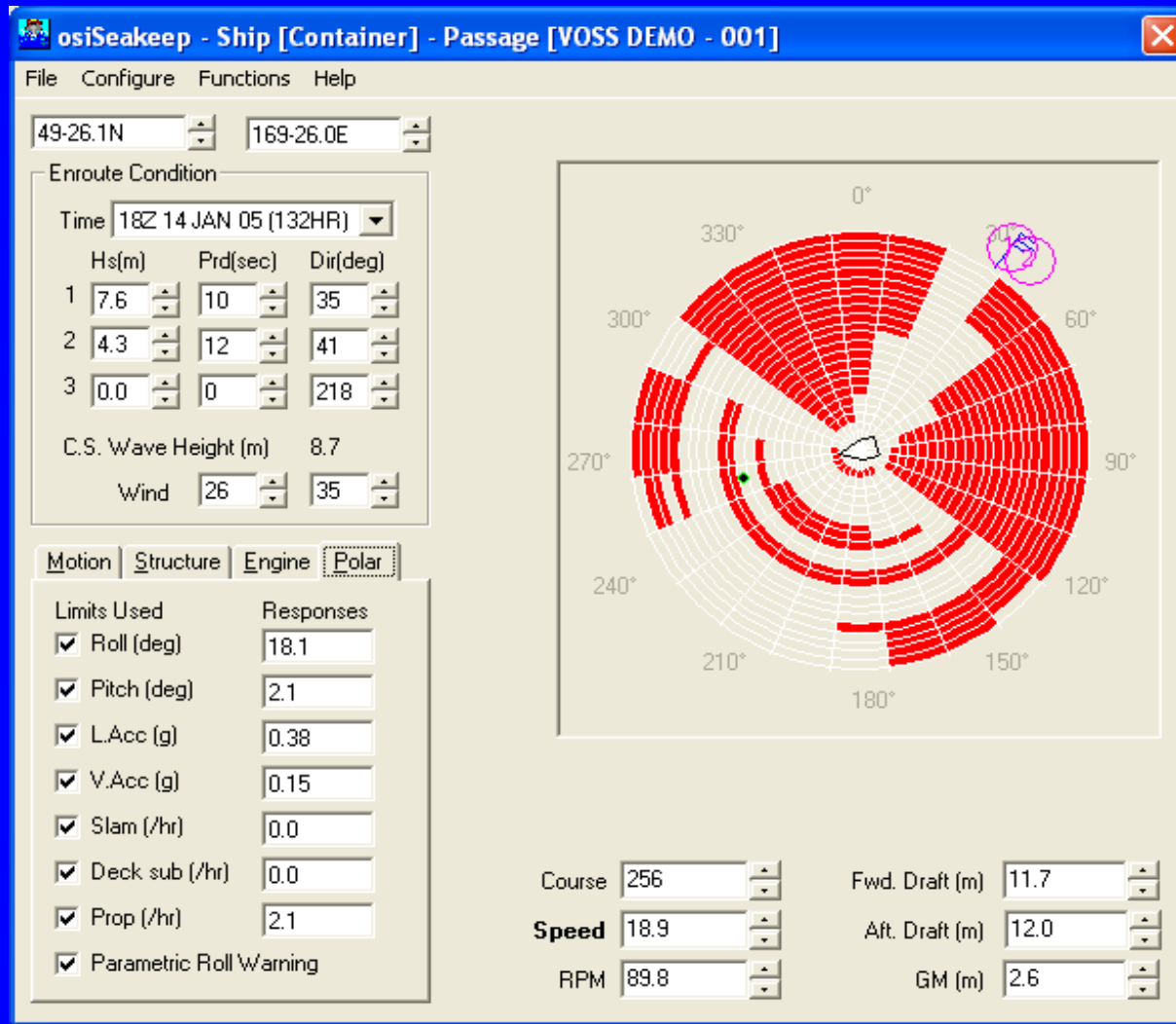
# Unique Optimization Algorithm

- ◆ True optimization on fuel consumption based on ship performance in forecast wind, wave and current conditions
- ◆ User specified Safe Operating Limits in terms of ship motion, engine overload and storm/seastate avoidance to minimize heavy weather damage
- ◆ Show fuel differences for arriving early or late from schedule
- ◆ Optimize on set route or thousands of possible routes within specified route envelop

# Route Comparisons



# Predicts and monitors ship motion



- ◆ Based on Ship Motion Theory
- ◆ Predicts motions for different speeds, heading and wind and wave conditions
- ◆ Provide guidance to many “What if” questions



# Monitoring/Detection of Parametric/Synchronous Motions



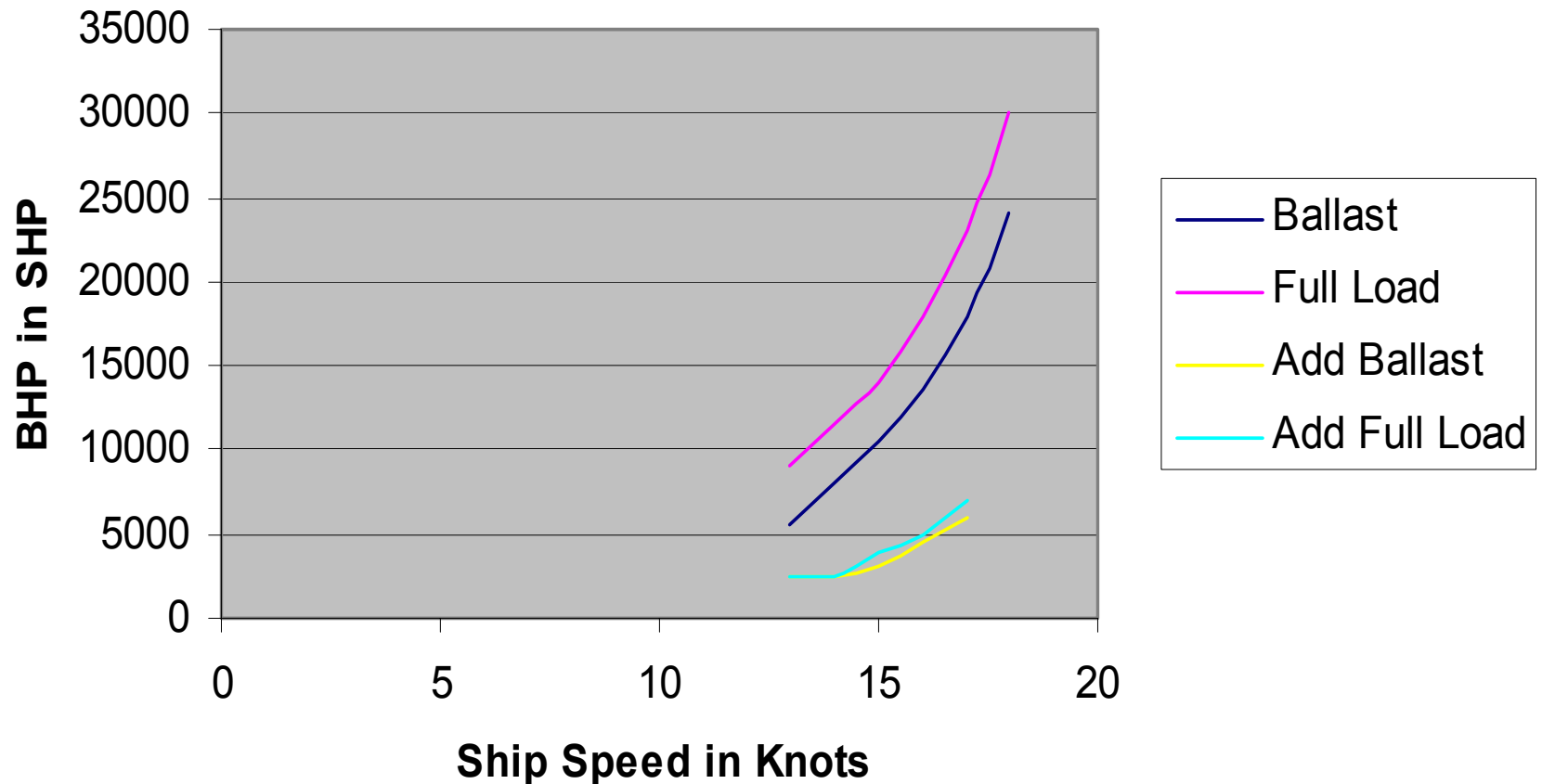
- Alarms when max motion or Parametric roll are detected
- Uses latest theory and model test data
- Advices speed and heading changes
- Low cost sensor box measures roll, pitch and accelerations in XYZ
- USB interface, no external power required

# Sources of Fuel Waste

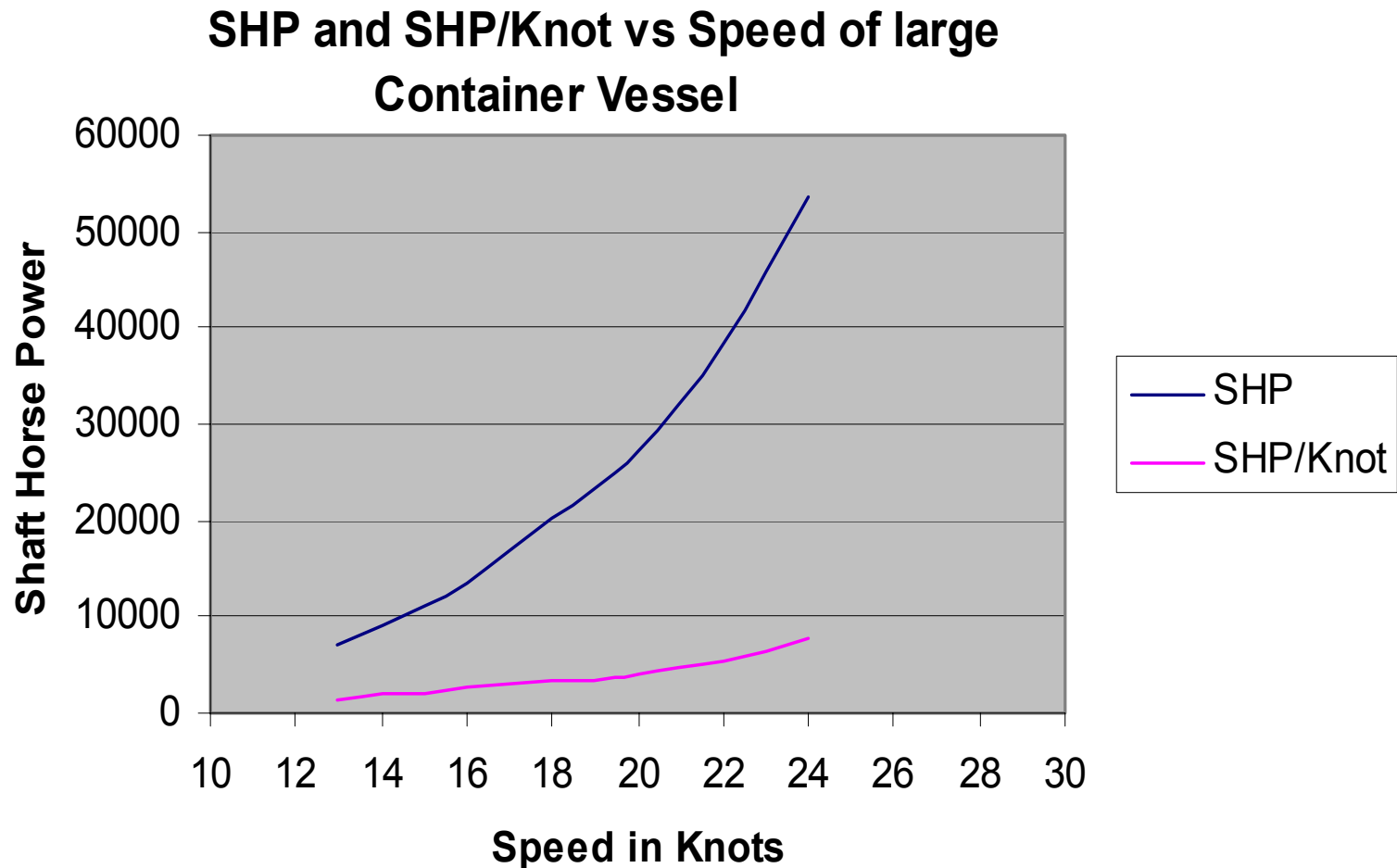
- ◆ Bad weather routing
- ◆ Improper speed management
  - e.g. Tried to increase speed in head seas;
  - Too high speed in the beginning of a voyage to make sure on-time arrival
- ◆ Engine not properly tuned
- ◆ Propeller/hull fouling
- ◆ Improper trim and GM

# Required SHP to increase extra knot doubled (2X) from 13-16 knots

**BHP vs Speed for a typical tanker**



Required SHP to increase extra knot  
is 4X at 23 knots compared to 13

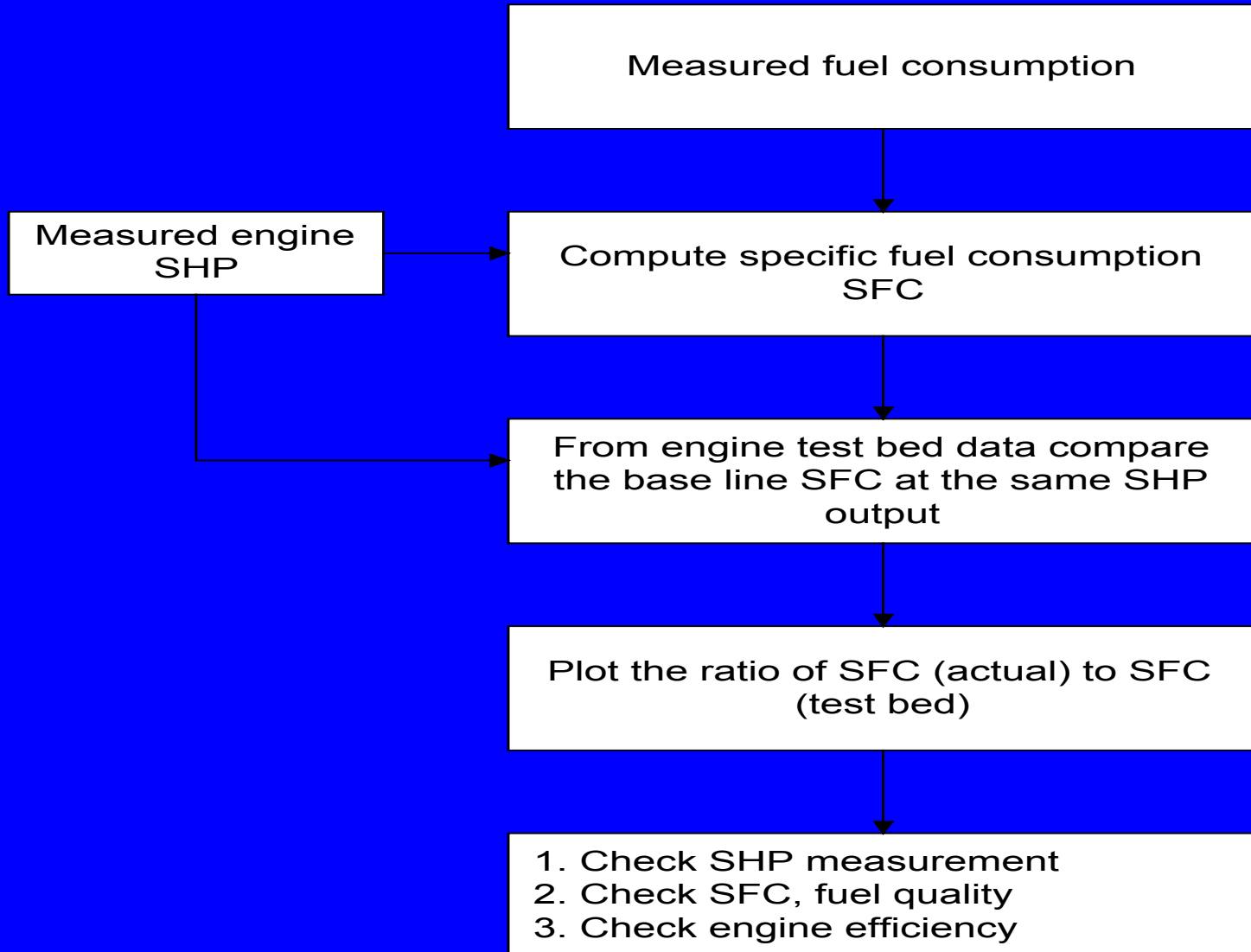




# Engine Efficiency and Weather Factor

- ◆ Plot  $\text{SFC ratio} = \text{SFC actual} / \text{SFC ideal}$  over time to see trends
- ◆ If the engine is properly tuned and fuel quality is good, the SFC should be very close to the engine test-bed condition at the same power output
- ◆ Plot  $\text{WX} = \text{SHP actual} / \text{SHP calm weather}$
- ◆ Check trends and compare to base line

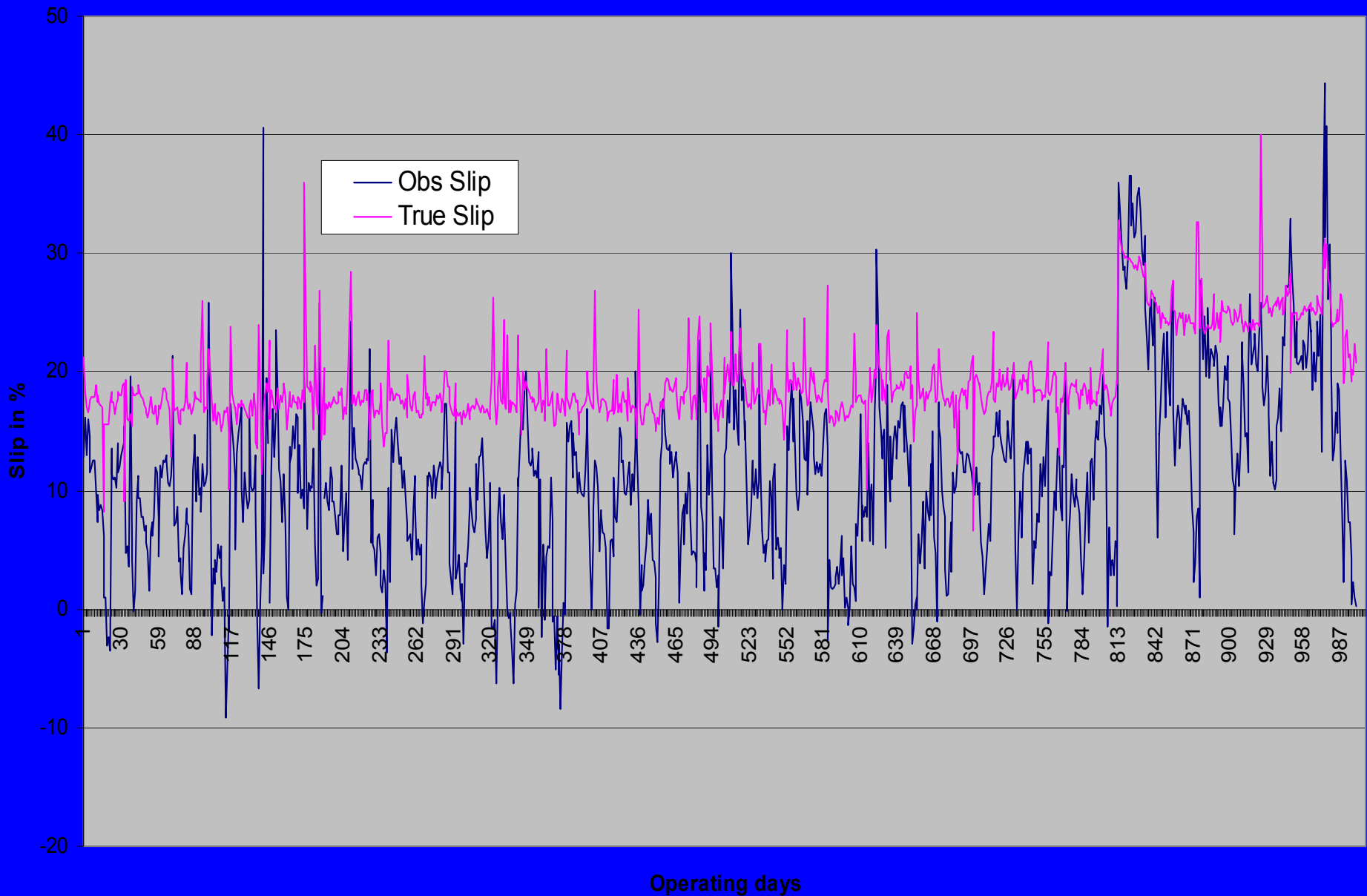
# Engine Efficiency and Fuel Quality Monitoring



# Hull/Propeller Roughness

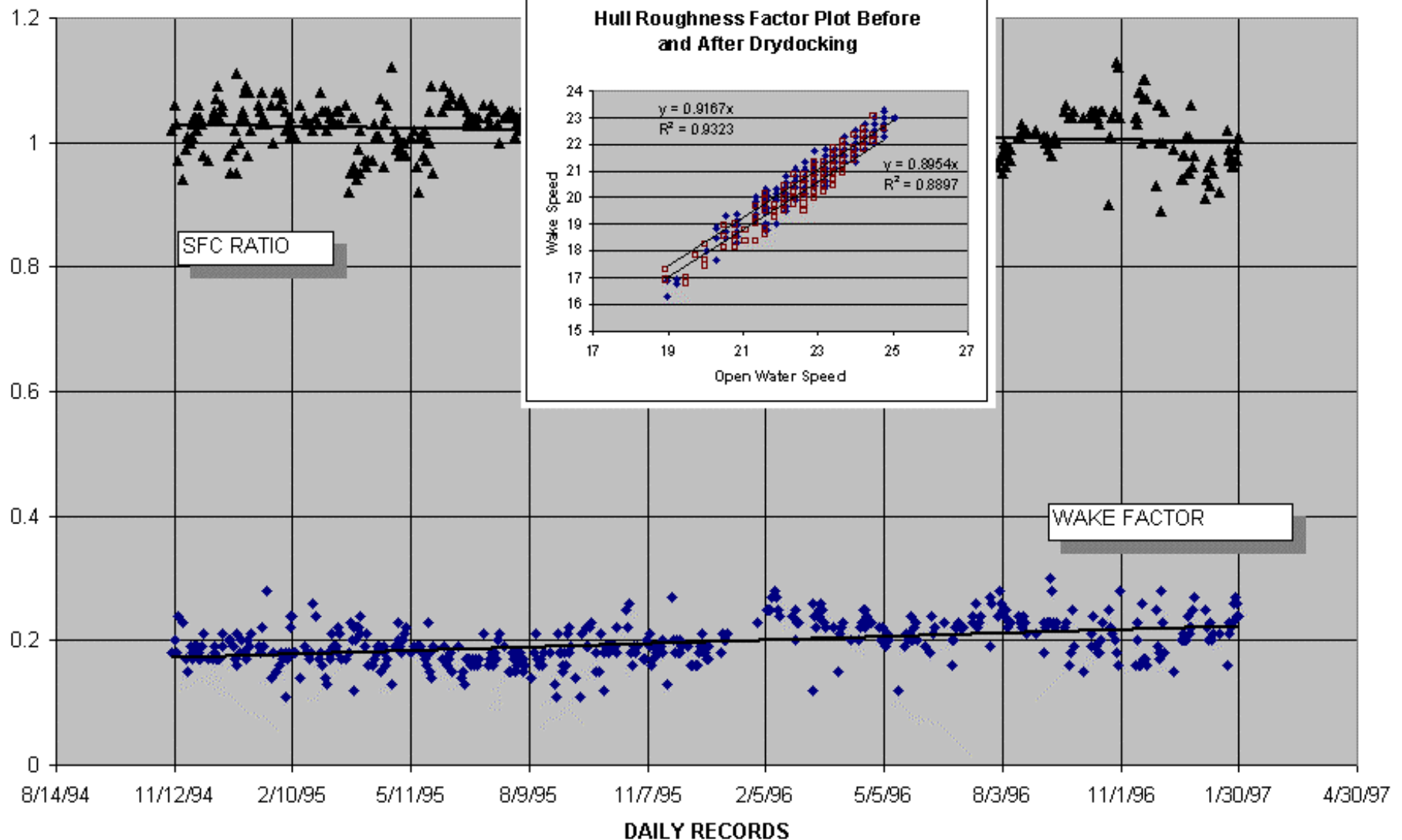
- ◆ True slip increases when hull/propeller roughness increase
- ◆ Observed slip not a good measure
- ◆ Need to account for the effect of weather and draft changes to reduce scatter
- ◆ Other indicators (EngineTemperature, Torque limits in calm weather etc.)
- ◆ Thrust meter needed to separate hull/prop
- ◆ Post Voyage analysis to create database

## Slip vs Time for Condi Rice to show changes in Hull Roughness

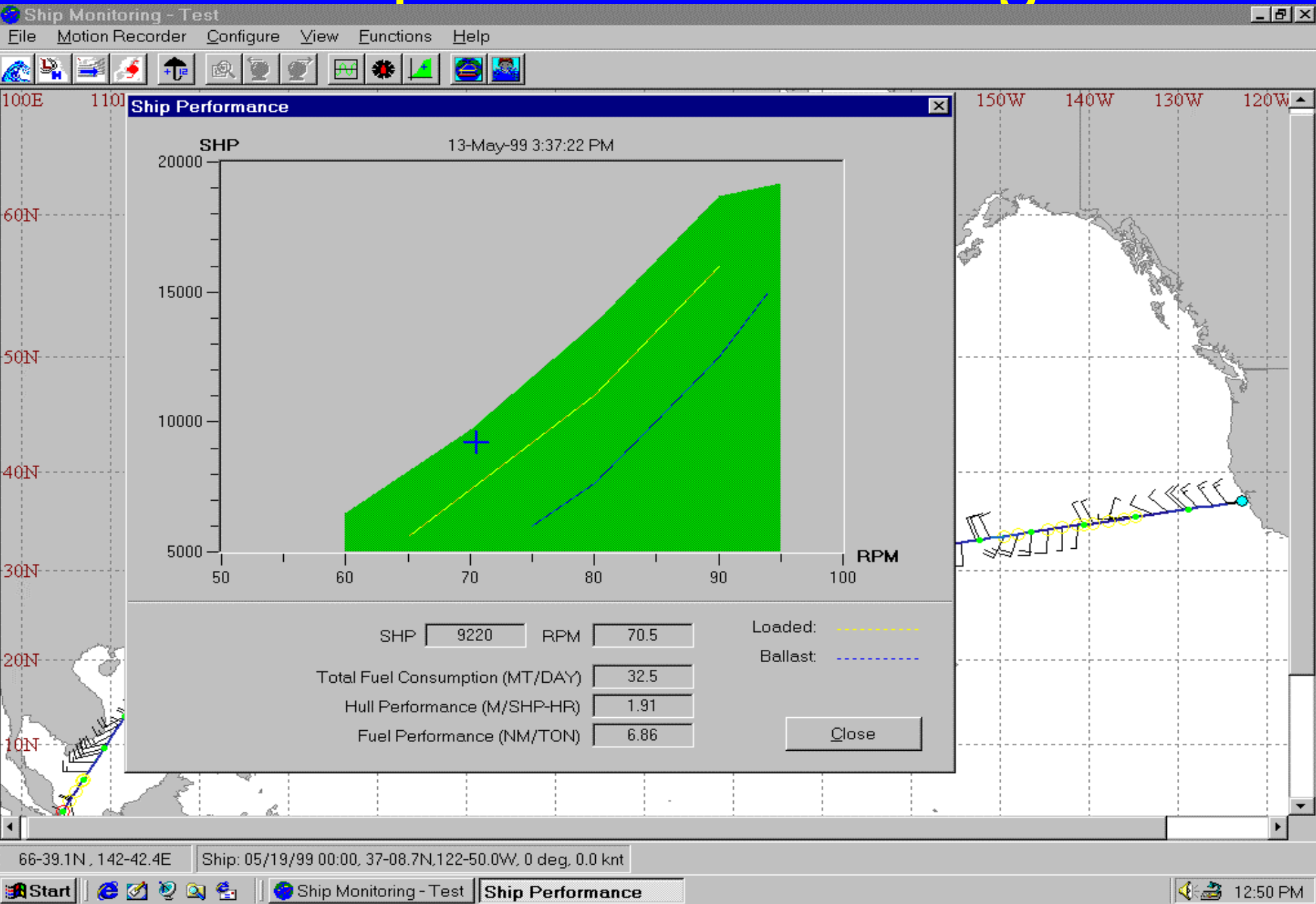




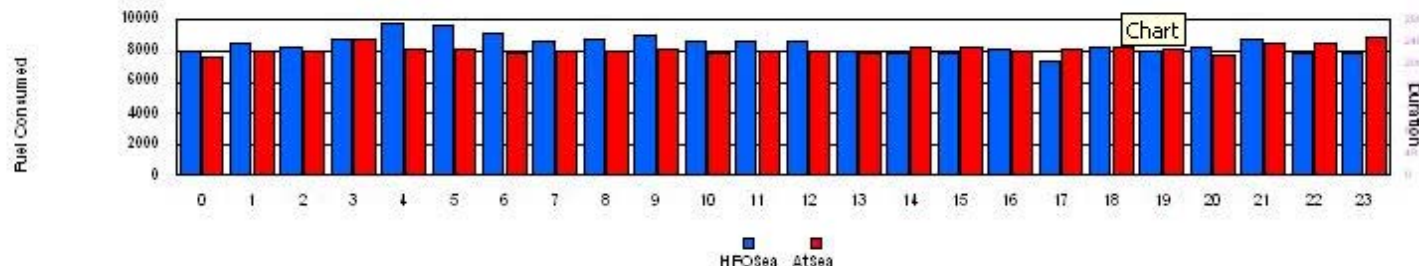
# Performance Evaluation



# Shipboard Monitoring



# Comparison of Fuel and Transit time for the same passage



## Multiple Passage Report

Dep Port: OAK

Arr Port: GUM

Report generate at : 9/28/2005 3:13:04PM

In Port hrs	At Sea hrs	Fwd Draft ft	Aft Draft ft	Ave Spd kn	Performance			Eng Miles NM	Obs Miles NM	In Port			At Sea			SFC g/SHP-hr	HFO/ NM BBL	Obs Slip %	RPM	Engine Power SHP
					True Slip	Wx	SFC Ratio			HFO	MDO	CLO	HFO	MDO	CLO					
Rec:	0	Ship Code: MtsMHI			Voy #:		44	Dep. Time:		7/15/2000	4:12:00AM	Arr. Time:		7/24/2000	3:00:00AM					
41.2	214.8	26.3	32.6	23.5		1.1	1.0	5,545.7	5,040.8	280.0	35.0	0.4	7,967.0	15.0	53.4	162.6	1.6	9.1	119.4	34,641.5
Rec:	1	Ship Code: MtsMHI			Voy #:		46	Dep. Time:		9/23/2000	1:00:00PM	Arr. Time:		10/2/2000	8:24:00PM					
41.2	223.4	30.0	34.3	22.8		1.3	1.0	5,845.9	5,102.0	212.0	17.0	0.4	8,562.0	282.0	48.0	153.9	1.7	12.7	121.0	37,809.6
Rec:	2	Ship Code: MtsMHI			Voy #:		48	Dep. Time:		12/1/2000	6:12:00PM	Arr. Time:		12/11/2000	3:00:00AM					
27.4	224.8	30.4	29.4	22.7		1.2	1.0	5,774.2	5,104.8	146.0	56.0	0.4	8,279.0	330.0	53.9	156.3	1.6	11.6	118.8	35,787.2
Rec:	3	Ship Code: MtsMHI			Voy #:		49	Dep. Time:		1/6/2001	2:30:00PM	Arr. Time:		1/16/2001	8:48:00PM					
29.6	246.3	28.0	30.8	22.0		1.3	1.0	6,131.0	5,410.1	170.0	34.0	0.4	8,722.0	58.0	56.9	159.4	1.6	11.8	115.1	33,725.2
Rec:	4	Ship Code: MtsMHI			Voy #:		50	Dep. Time:		2/9/2001	6:42:00PM	Arr. Time:		2/19/2001	6:18:00AM					

# Capture performance data using Electronic Log

## OSI Electronic Log

Matson

**Mokihana**

Voy: **91**

Select Date to Edit

4/25/2005 12:00:00 PM

Calculate

Save

Delete

☐ Over write exist record.

From **YOK**

To **SPE**

Dep Time	4/23/2005 7:00:00 PM	ZD	-9	LAT	41-28N	SHP (shp)	36600	Draft fwd (ft)	35.3
ETA Time	5/2/2005 6:00:00 AM	ZD	7	LON	155-48E	SKW (shp)	0	Draft aft (ft)	38.4
Day Time	4/25/2005 12:00:00 PM	ZD	-10	Rev CNT	728337450	GKW (kw)	2150	GM (ft)	2.1
Dist Run (nm)	522	Dist To Go (nm)	3960	Eng Dist (nm)	628.39	RPM	121.11	SFC ratio	0.99
Hrs Run (nm)	24	Hrs To Go	179.00	Slip %	16.93	SFC (q)	140.55	True Slip	21.61
Ave Sp (Kt)	21.75	Req Sp (kt)	22.12			SLC (g)	1.14	Wx	1.27

### Engine

TYPE (unit)	H.F.O.	M.D.O.	C.L.O.	ME/LO	DG/LO	SLUDGE	H2O
<b>PREVIOUS</b>	BBL	BBL	GAL	GAL	GAL	BBL	BBL
	27637	1566	11873	14052	3912	25.30006	1226.6
M/E CONS	803	0	282	0			
D/G CONS	38	0			0		
BLR CONS	0	0			Consumed:	0	81.8
PUR LOSS	0	0			Produced:	6.3	264.2
INV CORR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RECEIVED	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPE GRAV	0.984	0.8623	0.94	0.89	0.91	1	
<b>ON HAND</b>	26796	1566	11591	14052	3912	31.60006	1409

Comments:

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Daily Entry

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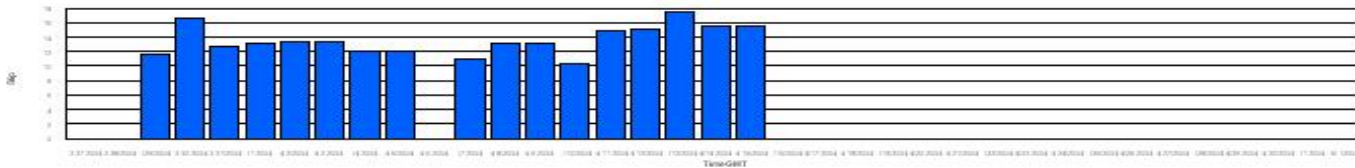
# Evaluating Daily Performance

## Daily Engine Performance Plots

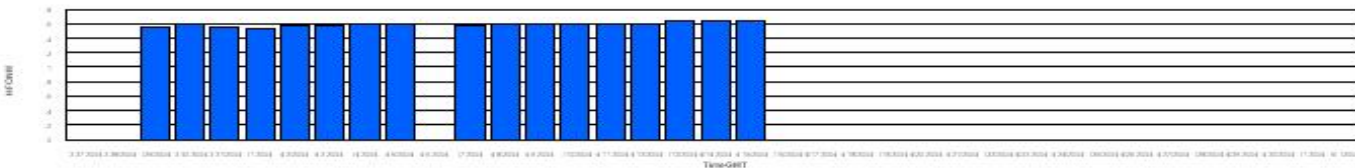
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Voyage: # 81

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Ending GMT: 5/6/2004 7:00:00AM

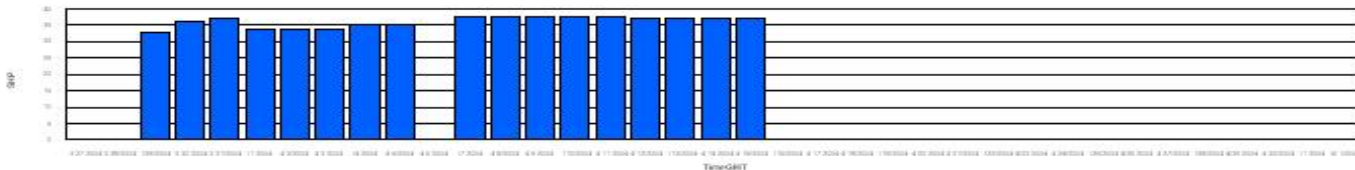
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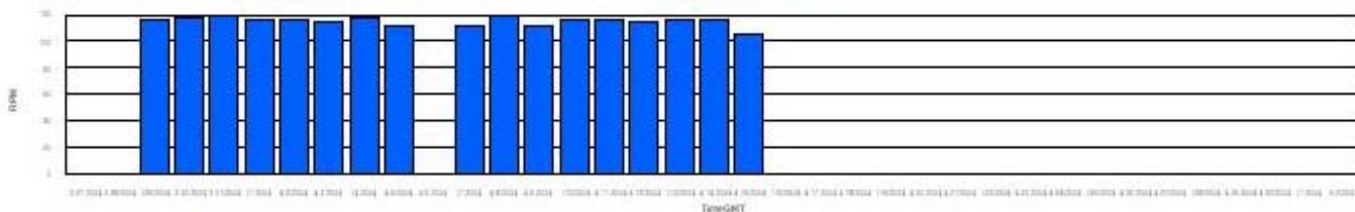
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SHP vs TimeGMT

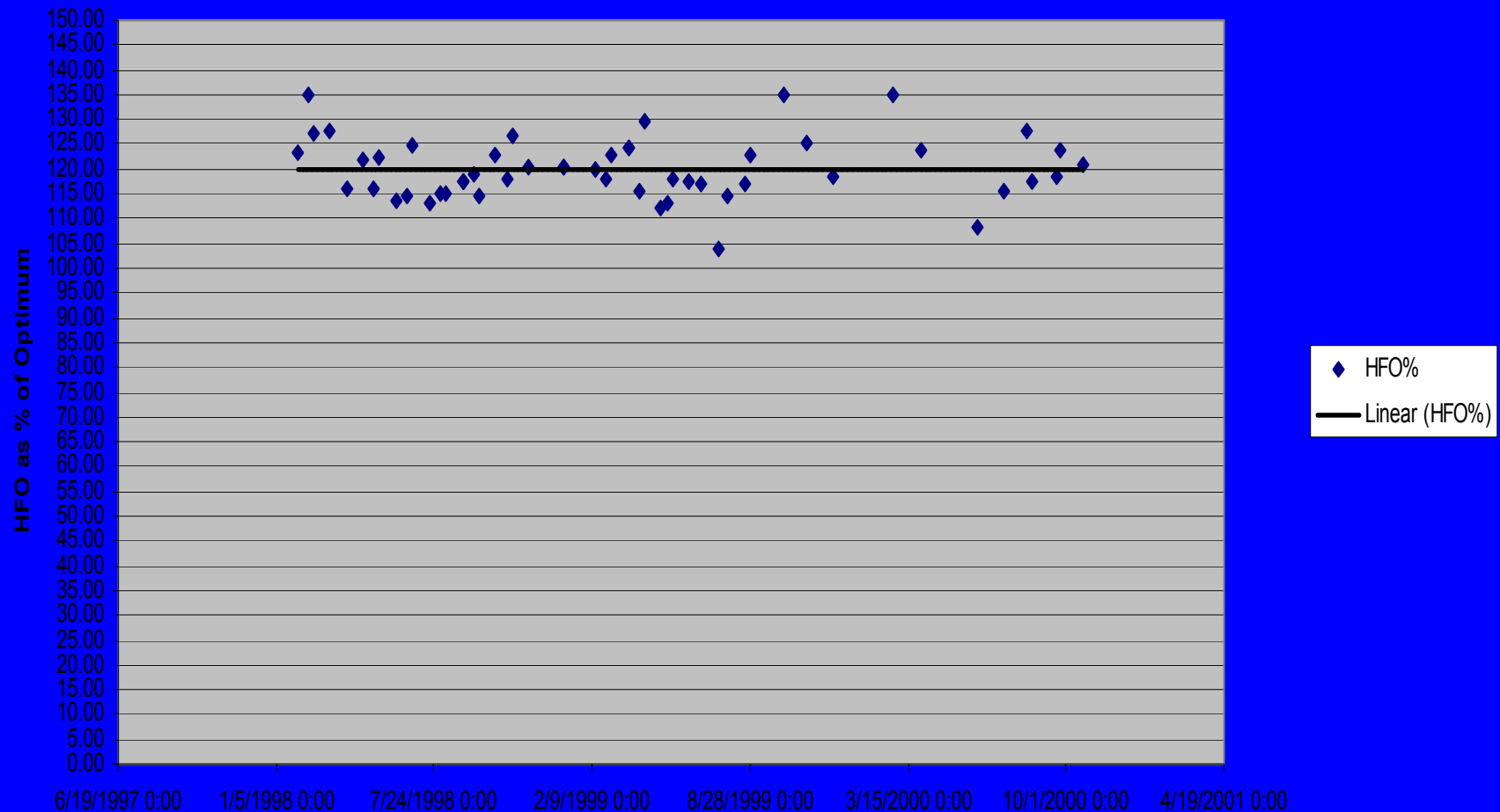


RPM vs TimeGMT



# Fuel Consumption normalized by drafts and environmental conditions

Normalized HFO Consumption on OAK-GUAM Passage

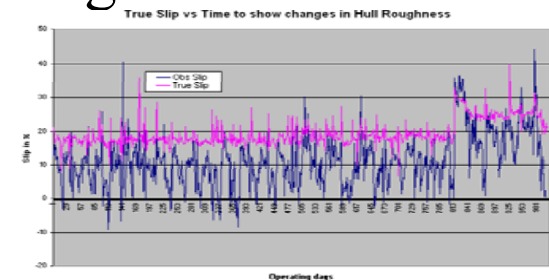


# Use of Statistical Quality Control Techniques

- Originally developed for manufacturing QC/QA by Dr. Edwards Deming
- Establish historical level with random variation (Upper bound and lower bound)
- Sporadic departure from historical level can be explained
- Establish optimum level after the fact using hindcast data, i.e. post voyage optimization
- % approaching optimum demonstrates the effectiveness of operation policy changes

# Operation **S**upport **I**nformation via Web Services

- ✓ Hosting of secured voyage database for shipping companies
- ✓ Post Voyage analysis using VOSS weather, current and ship model
- ✓ Performance analysis on hull, propeller roughness
- ✓ Wave, Fatigue cycle counting
- ✓ Generate custom reports on energy conservation improvements



Performance Report																											
Departure: Class:						C09 HON Beginning: 2/15/1996																					
Arrival: GUM						Ending: 3/13/1996										Friday, March 04, 2005 12:45:51 AM											
Code	Voy #	Service	Departure GMT	Arrival GMT		In Port	At Sea	Fuel	Aft	Acc	Performance	Eng	Che		In Port	MDO	CLO	At Sea	MDO	CLO	SPC	HNO	Che	EPM	Engne		
						hrs	hrs	ft	ft	in	Shp	Rate	NM	NM	hrs	hrs	hrs	hrs	hrs	hrs	g/HP-hr	NM	Shp	HP	HP		
MHI	1	PIX	2/15/1994 2:54:00	2/21/1994 9:30:00		37.9	170	28.4	29.0	22.0	17.3	1.0	0.9	3543	3315	147	27	12	5194	7	1437	155	1.58	4.5	109	31414	
MNA	1	PIX	2/22/1994 3:12:00	2/28/1994 7:00:00		33.7	147	27.4	30.3	22.4	17.2	1.0	1.2	3590	3315	140	0	40	4505	40	1140	179	1.45	7.4	112	24595	
MKA	1	PIX	3/7/1994 5:42:00	3/13/1994 4:30:00		38.5	142	30.8	31.5	23.3	14.0	0.9	1.1	3458	3323	110	0	1	5490	0	1393	177	1.45	9.1	119	27504	
Average						36.7	147	28.9	30.3	22.6	16.2	1.0	1.0	3603	3317	139	9	24	5163	22	1320	170	1.56	7.73	113	28572	

- ✓ Track ships and anticipate delay due to weather
- ✓ Emergency response





# Shore-side Fleet Tracking

Ship Tracking

File Configure View Functions Help



100E 110E 120E 130E 140E 150E 160E 170E 180 170W 160W 150W 140W 130W 120W  
12Z MAY 24 99 (156HR)

60N

50N

40N

30N

20N

Summary																			
	Call Sign	ETA (mm-dd-hh)	Delay (hrs)	Time (hrs)	Dist (nm)	Fuel (ton)	Slow Down	SOE	Average					Maximum					
									Spd	RPM	SHP	WX	Slip	Wave	Roll	Pitch	V.Acc	L.Acc	
1	9ABCD8	05-04-00	-540	180	3762	514	Yes	OK	20.8	87.4	22622	1.5	-0.1	6.0	7.7	1.6	0.1	0.2	
2	ABCD	03-16-21	-27627	189	3438	1005	Yes	OK	18.1	77.6	41773	3.2	0.3	6.7	13.8	2.1	0.2	0.4	
3		06-11-12	564	564	7706	1225	Yes	OK	13.7	86.9	15540	1.1	0.2	4.1	6.3	0.9	0.1	0.2	

Simulation Information

Name: Chevron 150

Show Detail ☒ None ☐ Motion ☐ Stress ☐ WX

Print

Close

SCHEDULE: 05/19/99 00:00 DELAY: 564.1 HRS TO GO: -128.0 HRS 5941 NM REQ. -46.4 KNOTS

LEG #	GMT DD-HH:MM	POSITION LAT LON	WIND KTS DEG	HS M	ROLL DEG	PITCH DEG	CSE DEG	SPD KTS	RPM	SHP x1000	FUEL TONS	SLOW DOWN	SOE LIMITS
26	24-08:00	32-30.3N 158-04.3W	13 238	1.5	1	0	260.9	*13.6	86	11.0	277.6	No	OK
27	24-12:00	32-21.7N 159-07.6W	13 264	1.5	1	0	260.9	*13.6	86	11.1	285.8	No	OK
28	24-18:00	32-08.9N 160-42.5W	24 300	2.9	4	1	260.9	*13.5	89	12.6	298.2	Yes	OK
29	25-00:00	31-56.1N 162-16.5W	24 300	2.9	4	1	260.9	*13.5	89	12.6	312.4	Yes	OK

50-48.6N, 143-34.5E Chevron 150, Monday, May 24, 1999 08:00 AM, 32-30.3N, 158-04.3W

Start



Ship Tracking

Summary

1:04 PM

# Examples of Operation Support Information

- ◆ Provide detailed long range wind and wave forecast to assist Captain in planning optimum passages.
- ◆ Provide expert advice on motion/stress responses in heavy weather to minimize risk of damage.
- ◆ Monitor motion and engine performance and alert the operator of impending danger as well as avoid Engine overload.
- ◆ Analysis of voyage record to improve performance
- ◆ Training and accident prevention

# Benefits of OSI Technology Solution

- ◆ Complete model ship motion and structure responses; engine and power characteristics.
- ◆ Optimum ship routing to increase schedule reliability, minimize damage and fuel cost.
- ◆ Voyage Data Recorder to capture pertinent operation data for incident investigation and training.
- ◆ Real-time display to alert operator of abnormal conditions and damaging events.
- ◆ Post voyage analysis to evaluate/monitor performance of hull, engine and propeller.

# Here is what a client found after using OSI

- ◆ Actual number of hours delayed due to heavy weather decreased by 80%
- ◆ Number of Structural damage claims due to heavy weather decreased by 73%, cost by 29%
- ◆ Cargo damage claims due to heavy weather decreased by 87%
- ◆ Eliminated 23% variability in fuel consumed on each crossing.

# Partial list of clients

- ◆ The US Navy, Coast Guard
- ◆ Maersk Sea-Land, US Ship Management
- ◆ American Ship Management, APL
- ◆ Matson Navigation
- ◆ Chevron Shipping, SeaRiver Maritime
- ◆ CSX Lines
- ◆ Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines

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# Company Profiles

- ◆ OSI and OWI were founded 16 and 22 years ago.
- ◆ Staffed with professional meteorologists, scientists. Oceanographers, naval architects, computer programmers and a ship captain.
- ◆ Major clients include Army, Navy, international oil companies, shipping lines and engineering firms.
- ◆ Joint Venture established 10 years ago. Over 100 ships currently using the routing system. 5 oil companies using the South China Sea Typhoon Forecast System since 95.
- ◆ VOSS has developed over the last 15 years with help of shipboard captains and engineers under several government sponsored programs. A version is used by the US Navy OTSR Centers.