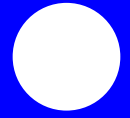


WP1 Hydrodynamic modelling

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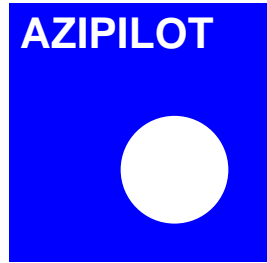
Content

- **Scope of work, aims and objective**
- **WP 1 members**
- **Groups of interest**
- **Brief introduction to azimuth propulsion**
- **Modelling and test methods**
- **Validation methods and available data**
- **Some conclusion and identification of gaps of knowledge**

Aims and objectives

- **Review**
 - Identify groups of interest
 - Collection and summary of existing hydrodynamic knowledge
 - Modelling and test methods
 - Validation methods and available data
- **Summarize and assimilate (on-going)**
- **Impact (partly on-going)**
 - Best practice for manoeuvring model test procedures
 - Compile engineering lectures
 - Map out the landscape for future R&D

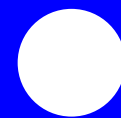
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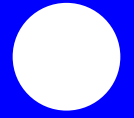
- **School of Marine Science and Technology - Newcastle University (Michael Woodward)**
- Broström Aktiebolag
- Cons.a.r – Italian Ship Owners Research Consortium
- **CTO, Ship Design and Research Centre (Jan Kanar)**
- **Development Centre for Ship Technology and Transport Systems (Andrea Gronarz)**
- FORCE Technology
- Foundation for Safety of Navigation and Environment Protection
- **Mettle (Marielle Labrosse)**
- SOGREAH Consultants
- South Tyneside College
- **SSPA Sweden AB (Erland Wilske)**
- STC - Scheepvaart en Transport College
- Transas Limited
- United Kingdom Maritime Pilots Association

Groups of interest

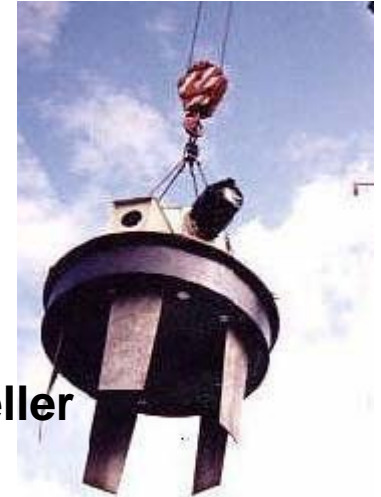
- Description of ACD Types
(Azimuthing Control Devices)
- Ship Types
- Simulator Manufacturers
- Simulator Facilities
- Test Facilities
- Shipping Companies
- Pilot Organizations



Types of azimuth propulsion



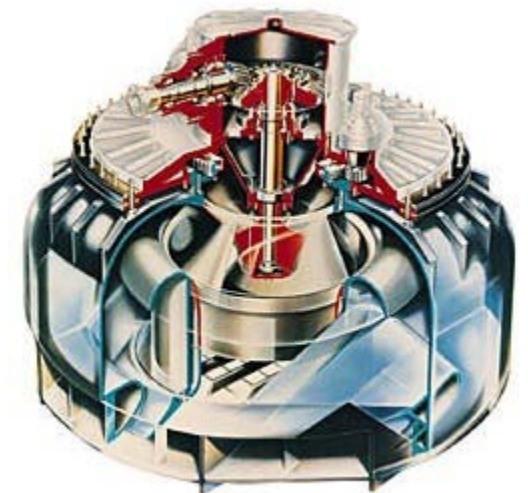
Steerable thruster



Voith Schneider Propeller

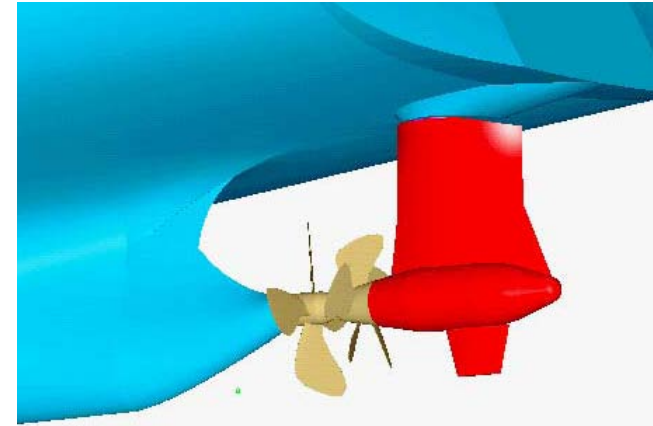
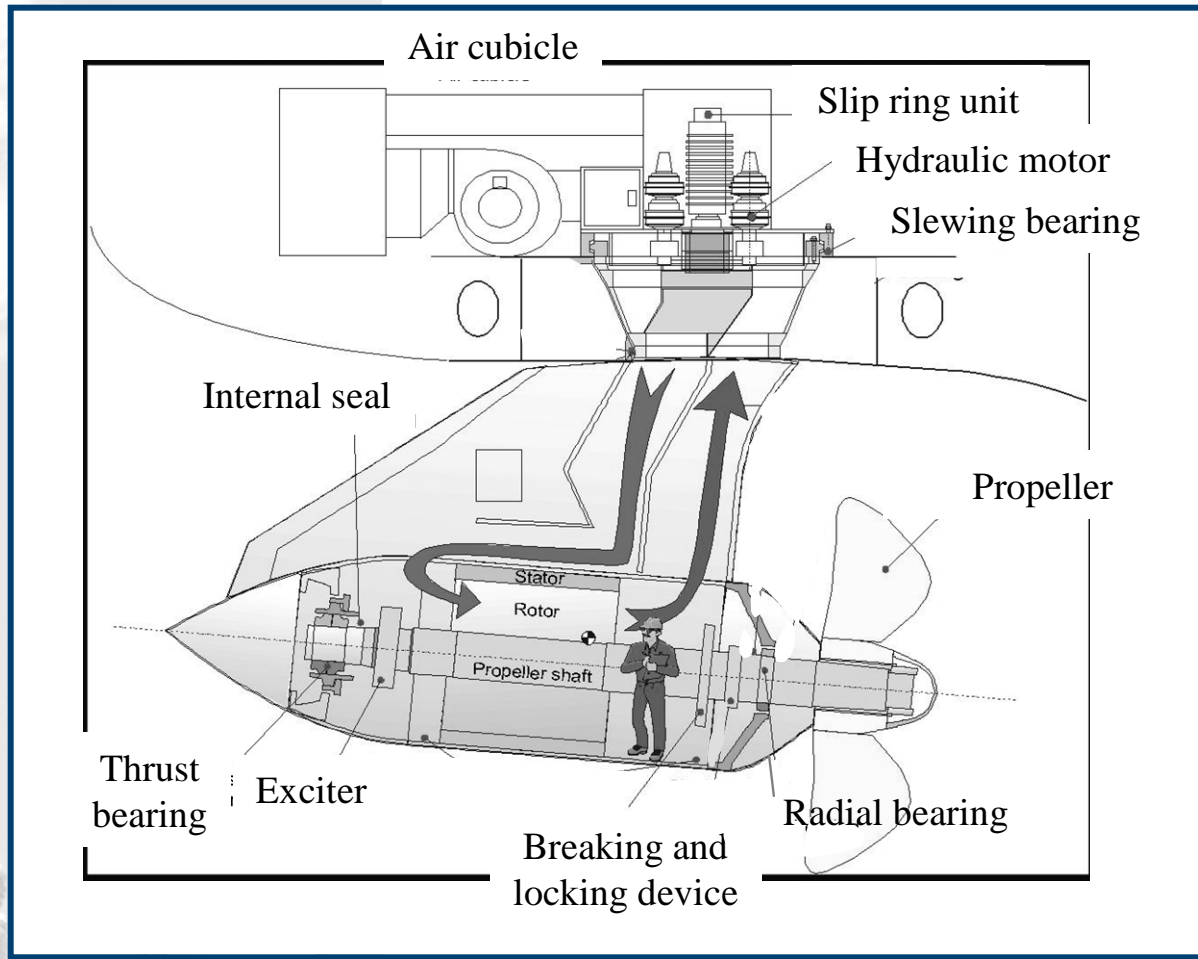


Podded propulsor



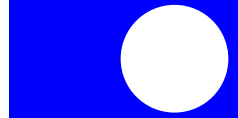
Schottel Pump Jet

Inside a pod



- Pulling or pushing
- Tandem propeller
- Contra rotating

Main POD manufactures

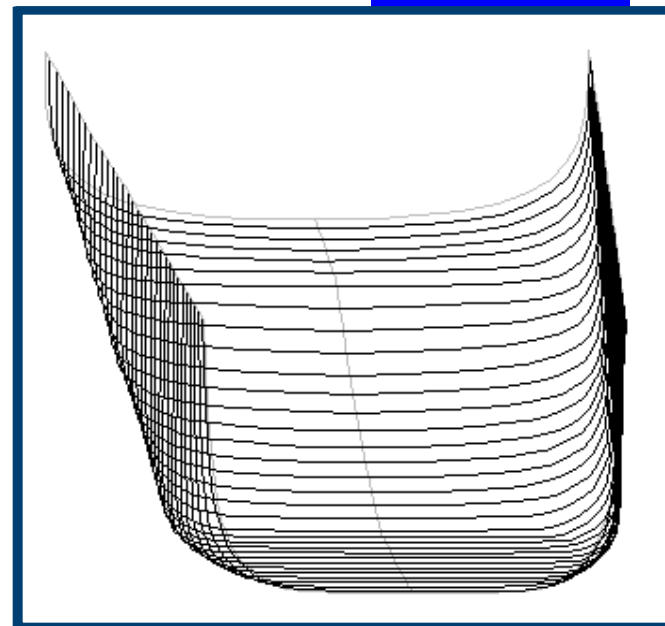


- Azipod ABB Oy (AZIPOD)
- The consortium of a, Rolls Royce and ALSTOM (MERMAID)
- The consortium of SCHOTTEL GmbH & Co KG and Siemens SG Marine Solutions (SSP)

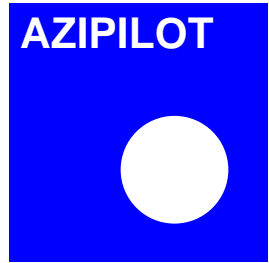


Why pods?

- Improved speed-power efficiency
 - Better hull shape
 - Better alignment of propeller
 - Less resistance from appendage
- Improved manoeuvring performance



Groups of interest – some statistics



- ACD ship represent 7% of the world fleet (in number of ships)
- Tugs and off-shore dominates in terms of number
- Cruise ship and tankers have created a market for large ACD units (up to +20MW)



Some ship types

Typical ASD tug
"Dunker" operating in the Sounds



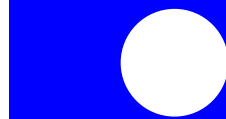
Double Acting Tanker
"Tempera"



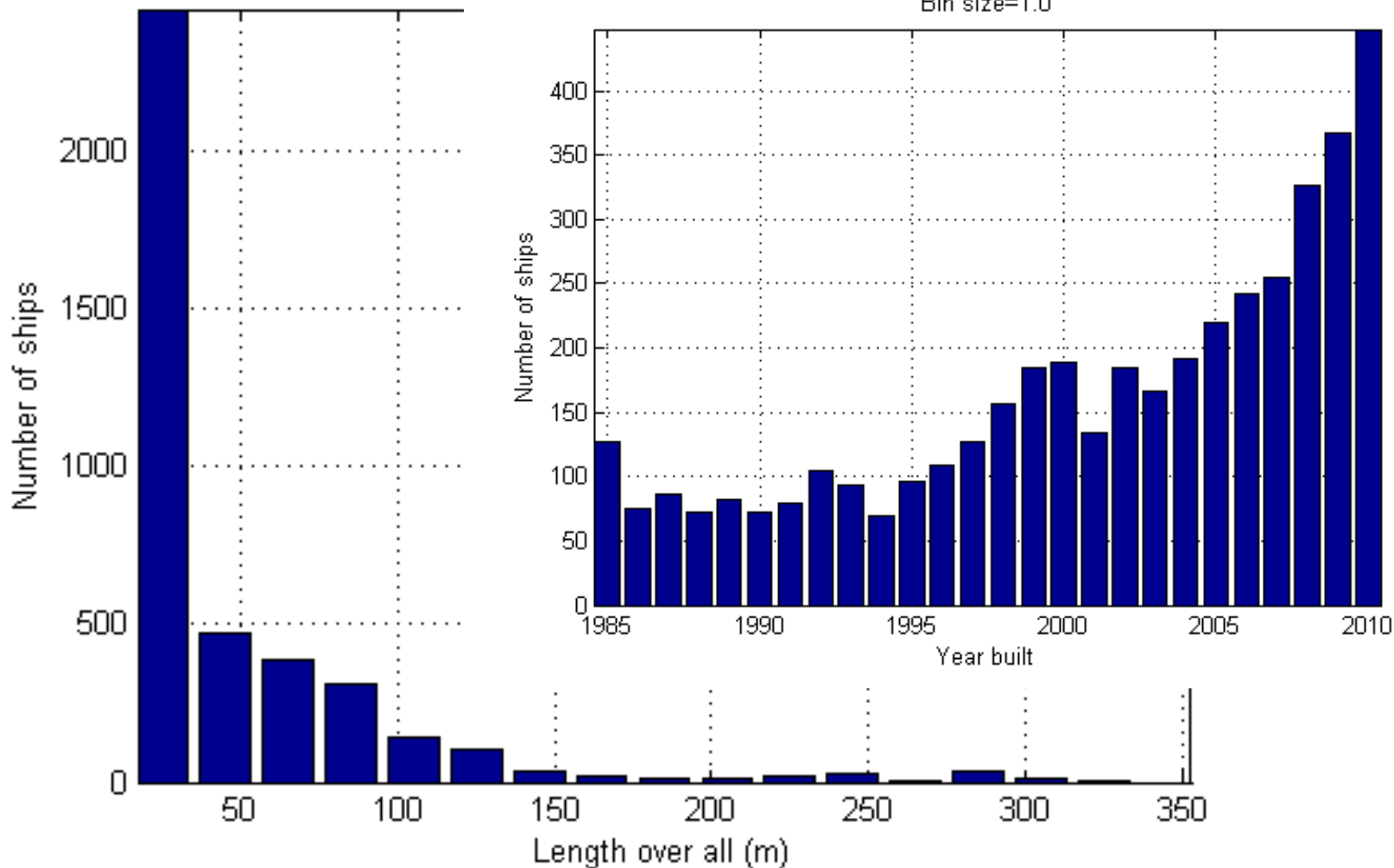
Twin pod Cruise vessel - Elation
8% increase in propulsion
efficiency fuel savings of 40t per
week compared to conventional
CP prop configuration



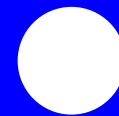
Statistics – ship with ACD



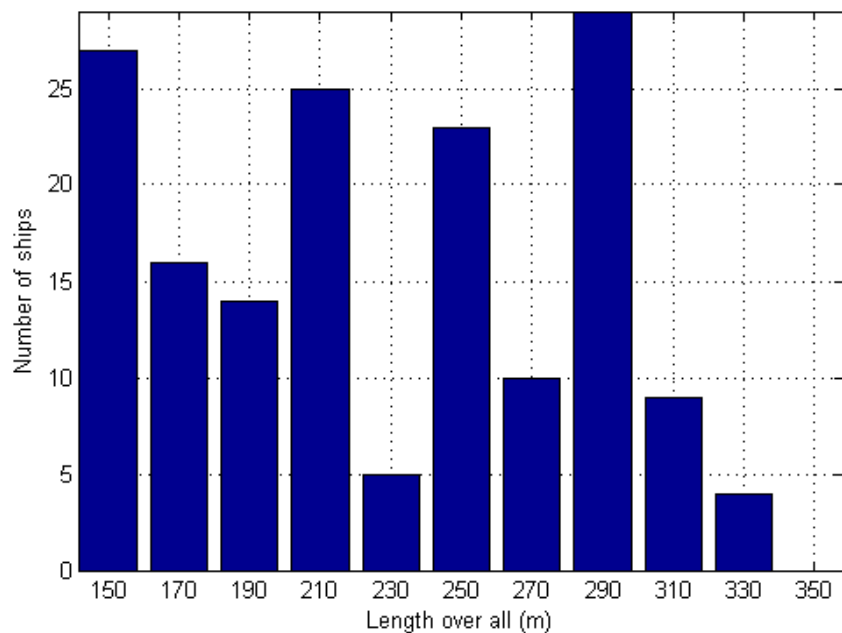
Number of ships on basis of year of construction
Includes ships with LOA ≥ 10 m and Year ≥ 1985
Bin size=1.0



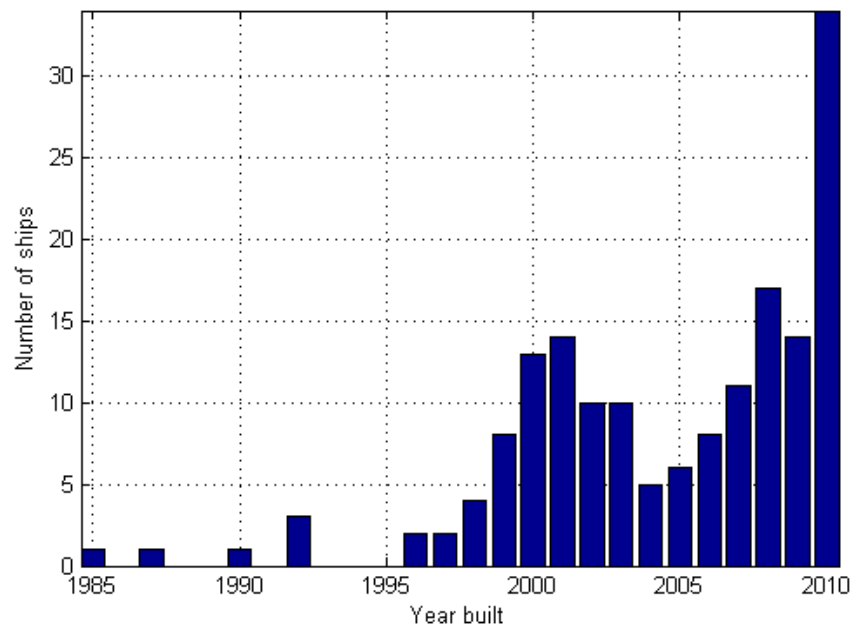
ACD ships with LOA > 150 m

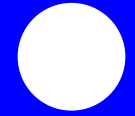


Number of ships on basis of length over all
Includes ships with LOA >= 150 m and Year >= 1985
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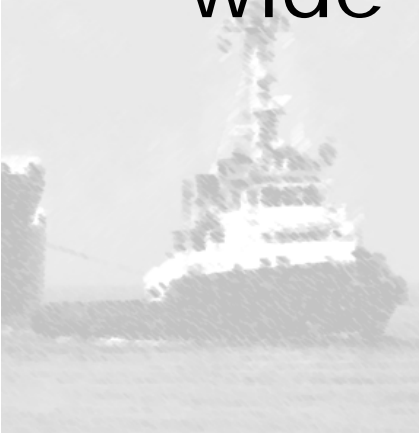


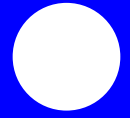


Sources for ACD hydrodynamic modelling knowledge

Major research projects

- Pods-in-service (2000-2003)
- Optipod (2000-2003)
- Fastpod (2002-2005)
- Seven other larger ACD project world wide identified





Sources for ACD hydrodynamic modelling knowledge

Published knowledge

- ITTC - The Specialist Committee on Azimuthing Podded Propulsion
- Conference series – some important
 - T-Pod
 - MARSIM
 - Dynamic Positioning conferences
- Overview of literature comprising 90 paper (manoeuvring, Propulsive, operational and marine engineering)

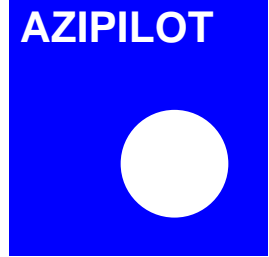
Hydrodynamic issues

- Speed-power prediction
- Prediction of structural load
- Manoeuvring prediction



Some preliminary conclusion

Speed power prediction

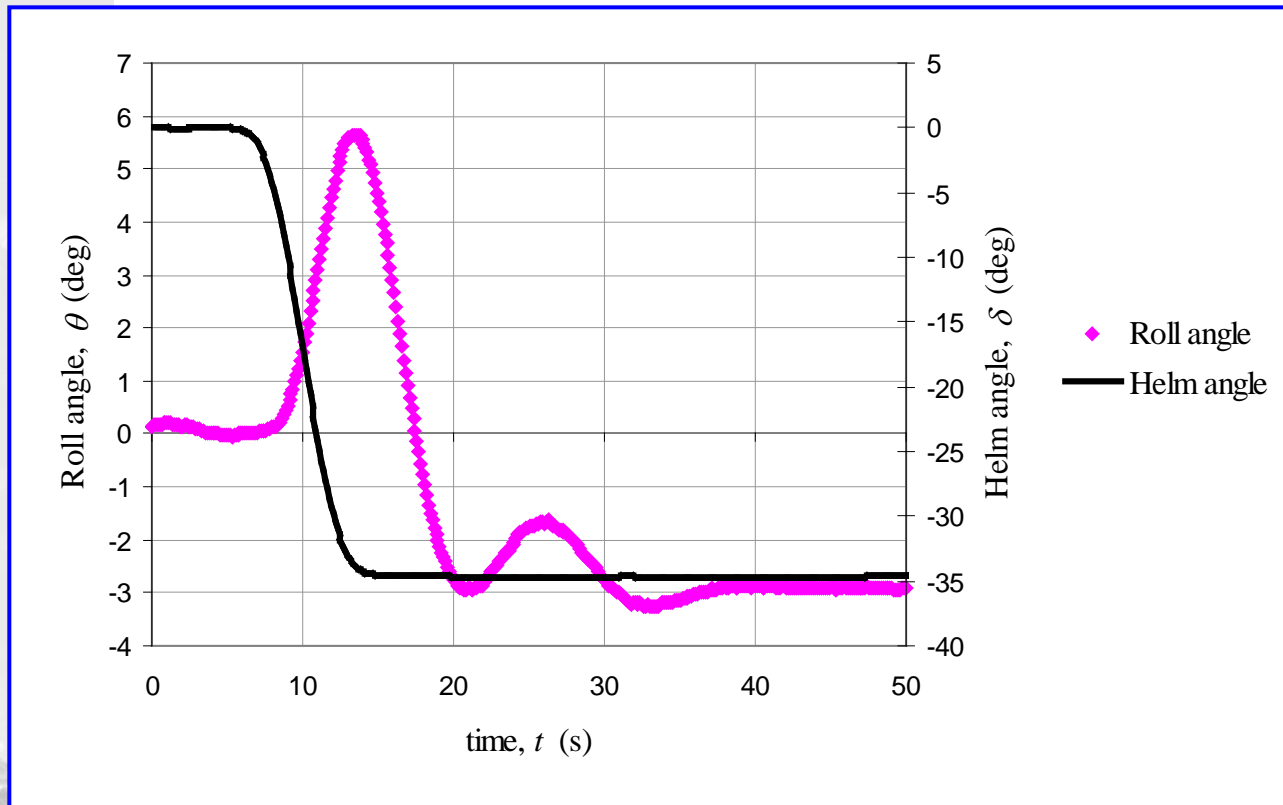
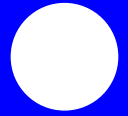


- Some difference among the test institutes for procedure
- Some concerns about precision in speed-power prediction
- Gap-effects
- Harmonisation to ITTC test procedure

Manouvering issues

- Course stability
 - Needs to be carefully studied in the design
 - How should IMO manoeuvring criteria apply to ACD ships?
- Large heel angle
- Modelling of confined water effects
- Stopping procedure
 - Many options
 - Restriction due to structural loads

Model testing of roll angle



Some preliminary conclusion

Structural loads

- Indication that structural load is problems
- Spike load when turning
- Gyroscopic effect can be double the torque on the propeller axis.
- Slamming on the stern



Spike load during steering

