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NO_x emission estimates of marine traffic

”Prelude for an automated process”

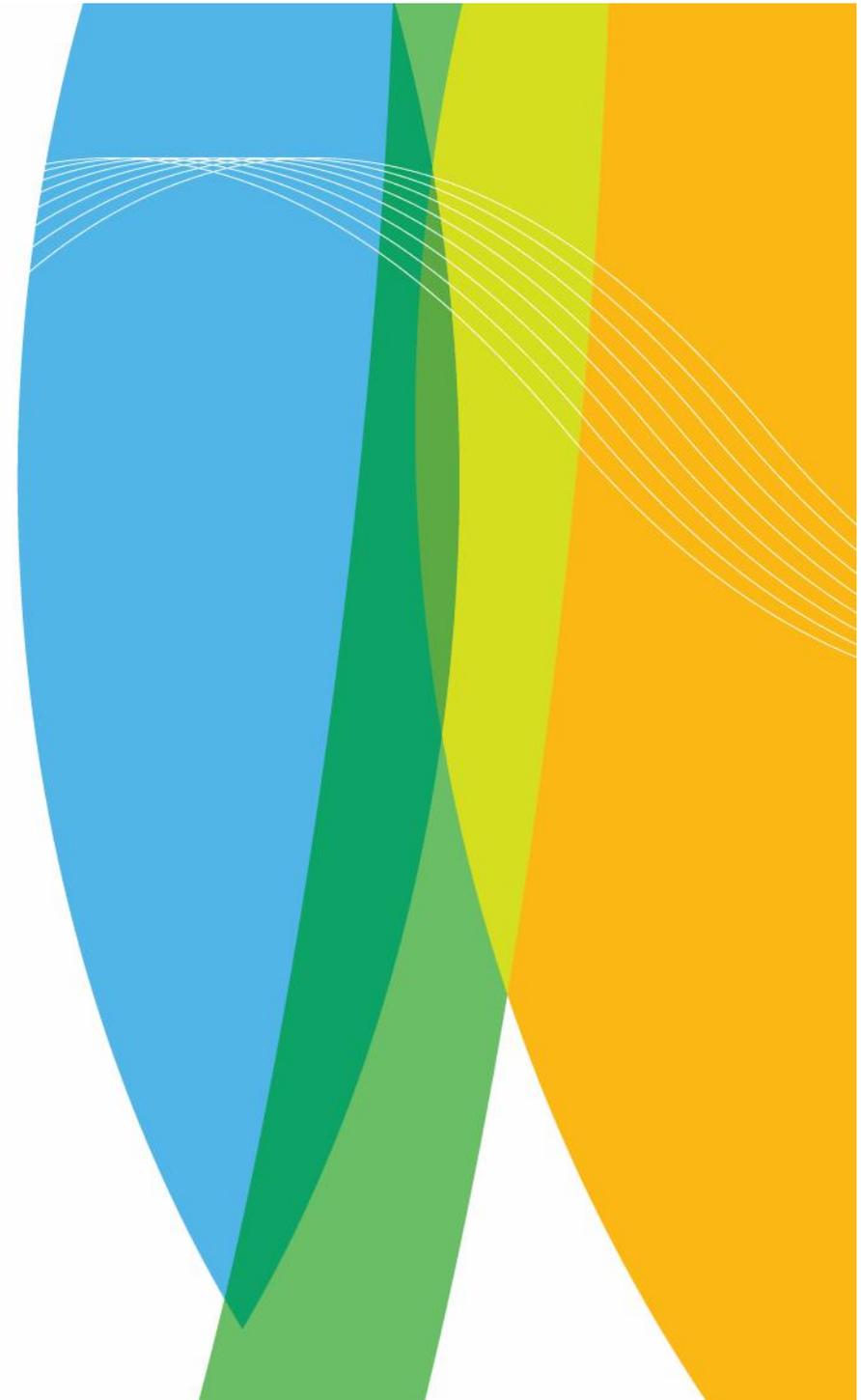
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Outline

- **Motivation**
- **Introduction to Automatic Identification System (AIS)**
- **Description of the system under development**
- **Preliminary results**
- **Future plans**





Why bother?

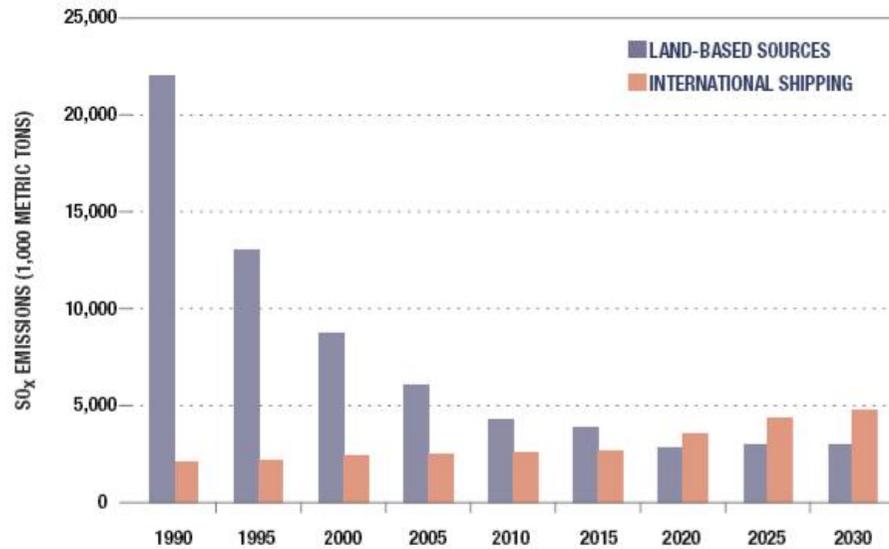


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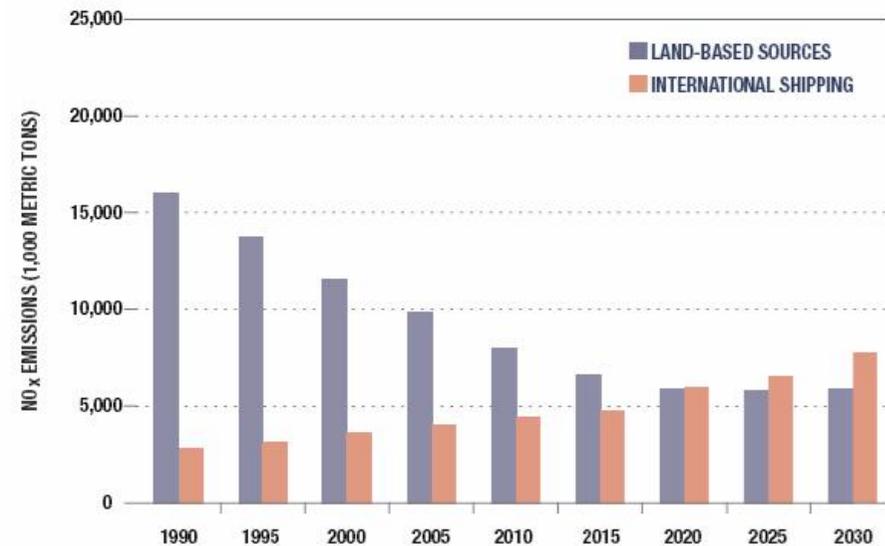


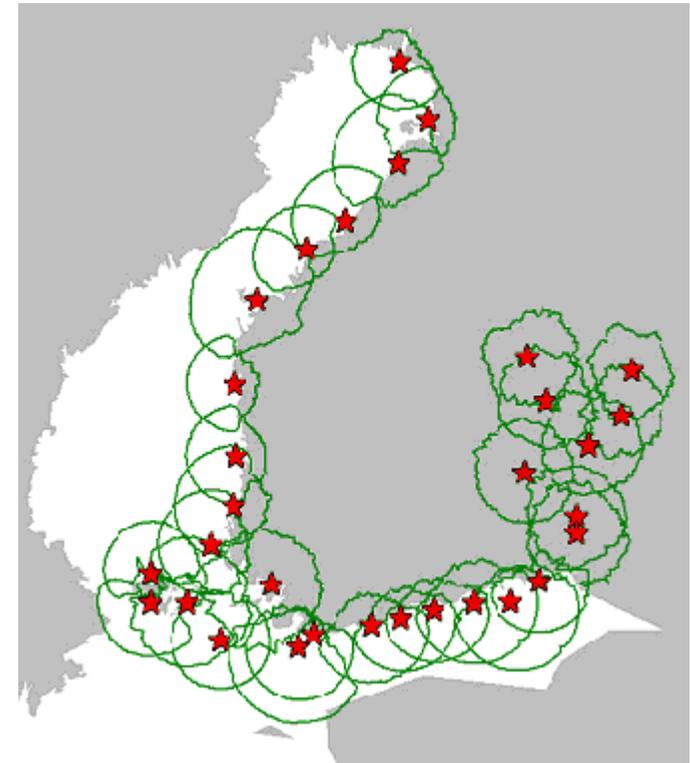
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International Council on Clean Transportation: “Air Pollution and Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Ocean-going Ships”, 2007, pages 8-9



Automatic Identification System

- **Built originally for collision avoidance**
- **IMO: Mandatory for ships GRT > 300**
- **Short data bursts on two VHF radio channels**
- **Transmitted every few seconds**
 - How often depends on the speed of the vessel
 - Millions of messages/day
- **Several types of messages**
 - Position reports, ship ID data...
 - Receiving stations maintained by the Finnish Maritime Administration (FMA)





An example of an AIS message

!AIVDM,1,1,,A,1D7eHF04RUQPqb@R3NE<<9fv06qH,0*22

- Position report consisting of a header (ID number, sequence number, radio channel), message and a checksum
- Decoded message

MMSI*: 276519000 - VICTORIA I

Speed (SOG): 16.5 knots

Course (COG): 312.0 deg

Lon: 21.16833 E deg

Lat: 59.51417 N deg



* MMSI = Mobile Maritime Service Identity



Description of the pilot system

- **Receive & decode AIS messages**
- **Identify & locate ships using AIS**
 - Who? What kind? Where? When?
 - Obtain detailed technical description of the vessel
- **Emission estimate based on engine power level**
 - What? How much?
- ***Model the long range transport in the atmosphere***
- ***Estimate deposition of nitrates***



What is needed?

- **Technical description of vessels**
 - Primary source: Self-updating, internal database of ships
 - Currently >12 000 vessels
 - Secondary source: Lloyds register
 - Physical dimensions, tonnage, date of build
 - Main & Aux engines; number, model, type, power output
 - Design speed, **hull type**
 - Additional data needed
 - Emission certificates
 - Emission abatement systems
 - Currently 13 techniques included (SCR, DWI, HAM...)
- **Database failure (Not found, network error, inconsistent data)**
 - AIS information (physical dimensions) + ship type specific averages
 - Typical values for 15 different ship types used only as a last resort
 - No info available? → Treat as a tug/dredger/pilot vessel



Emission estimates for NO_x

- **Current power usage**
 - Design speed vs. current speed
 - Ship type specific profiles: Auxiliary engines
 - Generator use: Passenger ship vs. cargo ship
 - Boilers, refrigerators
 - Cruising, hoteling, manouvering...
- **Emission abatement**
 - Certificate? → Use certified NO_x output value
 - Abatement systems? → Reduction factors
 - No abatement systems OR unknown? → Apply full values for NO_x output



Example of results, 1

- **Emissions (NO_x) on the map as a function of time**
 - Map grid of $\sim 9 \times 9$ km, can be adjusted flexibly
 - Single grid square may contain emissions from several ships
- **AIS data from FMA, November 2006**
 - Coverage: Reception range of Finnish AIS stations
 - 1 second of animation = 37 min in real time

Marine transport NO_x emissions

AIS example

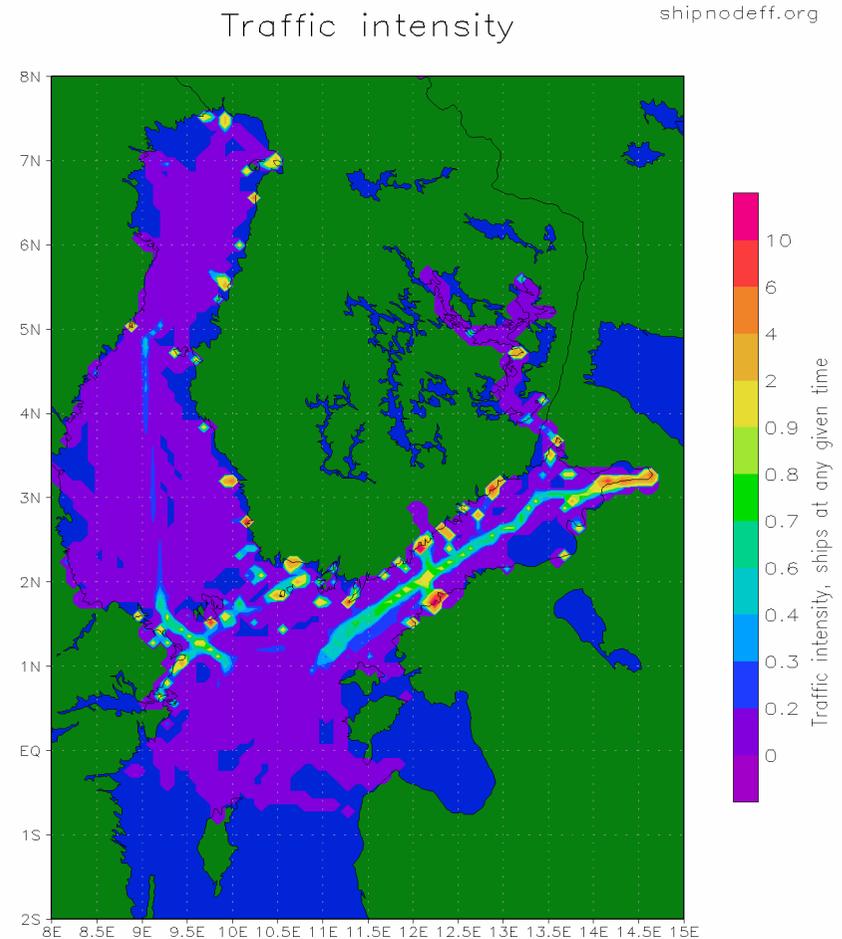
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Example of results, 2

- **Traffic intensity plots**
- **Ship routes**
- **Fuel consumption**
- **Emissions**
 - Currently NO_x
 - Planned: SO_x , PM, VOC, CO, CO_2
 - Graphical or numerical output





To do list

- **Weather conditions**
 - Affect both emission estimates and long range transport of NO_x
- **Shore side electricity use & emissions in ports**
- **Inclusion of atmospheric transport model**
- **Analysis tool (Historical + Real-time situation)**
- **SO_x , CO, CO_2 , PM, VOC...**
- **Expand coverage**
 - Finnish AIS stations
 - Baltic Sea
 - ...and beyond?



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