

AN OPEN-SOURCE GEOSPATIAL APPROACH TO MAKING SENSE OF THE COMPLEX SPATIO-TEMPORAL DYNAMICS DRIVING HUMAN ACTIVITIES ACROSS THE QUINQUEPARTITE PORT-SEA CONTINUUM

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"The Natural and Cultural Ocean have spatially [and temporally] intertwined in extreme and unprecedented ways via processes of extended urbanisation."

(Couling, 2018; Couling and Hein, 2020)



THE FIVE GENERATIONS OF PORT-CITY MODELS



With the emergence of "Blue Economy" thinking and an increasing interest in and need for e.g. marine resource extraction, maritime decarbonisation/technological solutions, ocean-based climate solutions etc...

These processes have increasingly tethered: (1) Port Complexes to Port Cities; (2) Port Cities to Regions; (3) Port-City-Regions to Regional Sea Coastlines; and (4) Regional Sea Coastlines to Regional Sea Areas.

I have proposed the extension of the holarchic Port-City-Region model to incorporate (1) the larger units of the regional sea coastline and subsequently (2) nearshore and offshore areas under national jurisdiction...

(...and ostensibly beyond once the BBNJ is enacted and a Deep-Sea Mining Code is concomitantly agreed and subsequently implemented.)



THE BLUE ECONOMY: WHAT ARE THE CONSTITUENT COMPONENTS?

World Bank definition of the "Blue Economy":

"[It is the] sustainable use of ocean resources for economic growth, improved livelihoods, and jobs while preserving the health of ocean ecosystem."

What are the components of that vision?

The Blue Economy comprises the established ocean uses (e.g. aggregates, fisheries, oil and gas extraction, shipping, tourism etc) and emerging/new uses (e.g. aquaculture, marine biotechnology, offshore renewable energy, seasteading, seabed mining etc).

WHERE DO GEOSPATIAL METHODS AND TOOLS FIT IN?

In Short?...

EVERYWHERE

SAR-DERIVED LANDWARD ANALYSES OF COASTAL LAND USE AND THE EVOLUTION OF PORT CITIES USING PUBLICLY-AVAILABLE DATA

GLOBAL HUMAN SETTLEMENT LAYER DATA PACKAGE:

BUILT-UP SURFACE GRID, POPULATION GRID AND SETTLEMENT MODEL CHANGE DETECTION (GHSL-BUS: 1975-2020 + 2025 and 2030 Linear Projections; GHSL-SMOD II: 1975-2020 + 2025 and 2030 Linear Projections) Projections)

COPERNICUS LAND MONITORING SERVICE:

CORINE LAND COVER CHANGE DETECTION: (CLC2000-CLC2006-CLC2012-CLC2018)

COASTAL AND RIPARIAN ZONE CHANGE: (CZ2012-CZ2018 and RZ2012-2018)

IMPERVIOUSNESS DEGREE CHANGE: (IMD2006-IMD2009-IMD2012-IMD2015-IMD2018)

EUROPEAN ENVIRONMENT AGENCY:

CLC ACCOUNTING LAYERS (2000-2018)



THE GROWTH OF THE PORTS OF ESBJERG: CLC 2012 vs 2018



CELLULAR AUTOMATA VISUALISATION OF THE DEGREE OF URBAN CHANGE IN KINGSTON-UPON-HULL, BREMERHAVEN AND ESBJERG (1975-2020)



KINGSTON-UPON-HULL: BUILT-UP SURFACE CHANGE





KINGSTON-UPON-HULL: BUILT-UP SURFACE CHANGE





1975 original B-US data collected by Landsat-1 & Landsat-2

2020 ORIGINAL DATA BU-S DATA COLLECTED BY SENTINEL-2

SOUTHERN NORTH SEA SETTLEMENT MODEL LINEAR DECADAL PROJECTIONS (2020-70)













MULTIFACETED OFFSHORE SPATIO-TEMPORAL ANALYSES USING EMODNET, ICES AND OSPAR DATA

- EMSA Vessel Route Density (2019-2023 Annual)
- EMODNet AIS-derived Vessel Density (2019-2023 Annual)
- EMODNet Oil and Gas Wells (1963-2020 Annual)
- EMODNet Offshore Installations (2001-2019 Biannual)
- EMODNet Wind Farms (1995-2022 Annual)
- OSPAR Monitoring of Radioactive Substances in Biota/Seawater (2000-2020 Demidecadal)
- OSPAR Dumping at Sea Points (1995 vs 2020)
- OSPAR Encounters with Munitions (2010-2020)
- VMS-derived Bottom Fishing Intensity for vessels >12m (2009-2022) OSPAR (2009-2017 Annual) and ICES (2018-2021 Annual)





The Spatial Distribution of Average Annual Bottom Otter Trawling Fishing Effort (mW fishing hours) in the IHO North Sea Basin (2015-2018)



The Spatial Distribution of Average Annual Bottom Dredging Fishing Effort (mW fishing hours) in the IHO North Sea Basin (2015-2018)

The Spatial Distribution of Average Annual Beam Trawling Fishing Effort (mW fishing hours) in the IHO North Sea Basin (2015-2018)



Maritime Boundaries Average MW Fishing hours 2015-2018: Bottom seines Netherlands Regional Divisions Belgian Regional Divisions France Regional Divisions Norway Regional Divisions Esbjera Kommune Danish Municipalities of Interest DNK adm2 Free Hanseatic State of Bremen German Subregions of Interest DEU adm3 Kingston Upon Hull UA English Regions of Interest GBR_adm2 Southern North Sea IHO Quadrants Wadden Sea NORTH SEA

The Spatial Distribution of Average Annual Bottom Seine Fishing Effort (mW fishing hours) in the IHO North Sea Basin (2015-2018)



The Spatial Distribution of the Average Surface Swept Area Ratio in the IHO North Sea Basin (2015-2018) The Spatial Distribution of the Average Subsurface Swept Area Ratio in the IHO North Sea Basin (2015-2018)



Maritime Boundaries Average MW Fishing hours 2015-2018: Static gears Average MW Fishing hours 2015-2018: Pelagic trawls and seines Average MW Fishing hours 2015-2018: Dredges Average MW Fishing hours 2015-2018: Bottom seines Average MW Fishing hours 2015-2018: Bottom otter trawls Average MW Fishing hours 2015-2018: Beam trawls Average Subsurface Swept Area Ratio 2015-2018 Average Surface Swept Area Ratio 2015-2018 Netherlands Regional Divisions **Belgian Regional Divisions** France Regional Divisions Norway Regional Divisions Esbjerg Kommune Danish Municipalities of Interest DNK_adm2 Free Hanseatic State of Bremen German Subregions of Interest DEU adm3 Kingston Upon Hull UA English Regions of Interest GBR adm2 Southern North Sea IHO Quadrants Wadden Sea NORTH SEA

The Spatial Distribution of the Cumulative Surface-Swept Area Ratio, Subsurface-Swept Area Ratio and Average MW Fishing Hours across all Fishing Methods in the IHO North Sea Basin (2015-2018)

SOUTHERN NORTH SEA OFFSHORE WIND FARMS

APPROVED, CONSTRUCTION AND PRODUCTION (2023)

PLANNED (2023)



SOUTHERN NORTH SEA OIL AND GAS WELLS (BOREHOLES) TIME-SERIES (1963-2020)

COMPARISON OF THE HIGHEST RESOLUTION OPEN ACCESS DTMS, DSMS AND POINT CLOUDS FOR THREE CASE STUDY SOUTHERN NORTH SEA PORT CITIES AND THE COPERNICUS SAR-DERIVED DEM: (1) KINGSTON-UPON-HULL; (2) BREMERHAVEN; (3) ESBJERG; (4) COPERNICUS EU DEM 1.1_____

	KINGSTON-UPON-HULL (ENGLAND)	ESBJERG (DENMARK)	BREMERHAVEN (GERMANY)	COPERNICUS DEM 1.1 (EUROPE)
	PROVIDER: ENVIRONMENT AGENCY TYPE: LIDAR	PROVIDER: Dataforsyningen Type: Lidar	PROVIDER: BUNDESAMT FÜR Kartographie und geodäsie Type: Lidar	PROVIDER: EUROPEAN SPACE Agency/Deutsches zentrum Für Luft- und Raumfahrt
HIGHEST RESOLUTION	lm	0.05m	200m	30m
LIDAR POINT CLOUD OR SYNTHETIC APERTURE	(TERRESTRIAL POINT CLOUDS, FZ AND LZ DSM AND DTM)	(POINT CLOUDS, FZ AND LZ DSM AND DTM)	(DTM ONLY)	(DSM ONLY)
RADAR-DERIVED DIGITAL TERRAIN/SURFACE	2m (SURFZONE DEM)	50m (DENMARK DEPTH MODEL)	50m (german depth model)	1.25km-25km (EMODNET BATHYMETRY)
MODELS AND BATHYMETRIC SURVEYS	30m (DEFRA MARINE DEM)			
	50cm (MULTIBEAM ECHOSOUNDER		(RESTRICTED ACCESS: 1m DSM - ONLY FEDERAL AGENCIES 5m DTM - €279,000 10m DTM - €139,000 25m DTM - €54,000 50m DTM - €12,000]	

Environment Agency

Styrelsen for Dataforsyning og Infrastruktur

Bundesamt für Kartographie und Geodäsie

German DLR Aerospace Center



ANALYSES OF NATIONAL AND SUBNATIONAL THEMATIC DATA USING LIDAR-DERIVED POINT CLOUDS/DSMs AS BASEMAPS FOR ENGLAND AND DENMARK

ENGLAND:

- HABITAT NETWORKS (2022)
- SALTMARSH CLASSIFICATION, EXTENT AND ZONATION (2022)
- RISK OF FLOODING FROM RIVERS AND SEAS (2022)
- WWNP FLOODPLAIN RECONNECTION POTENTIAL (2022)
- ORDNANCE SURVEY OPENMAP LOCAL (2022)
- MMO LICENSED AND UNLICENSED MARINE ACTIVITIES

DENMARK:

- HYDROLOGICAL ELEVATION MODEL (INCLUDING RUBBER BOOT INDEX FOR UP TO 7M RLSR)
- NATURE PROTECTION AREAS
- COASTAL PROXIMITY ZONES



5CM DANISH POINT CLOUD DATA COMBINED WITH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS INTO ORTHOMOSAICS

THE ROLE OF GEOSPATIAL TECHNOLOGIES AND TOOLS: AN EXEMPLAR OPEN-SOURCE FRAMEWORK



MANIPULATION







THANK YOU!...

...AND HAPPY MAPPING!