

MIRAI MR02-K03 Expendable Bathythermograph (XBT)

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Instrument

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Expendable bathythermograph (XBT) (

- MR11-E02)



Overview

Using XBT (eXpendable Bathy Thermograph) system, the vertical distribution of water temperature is observed during free fall of its probe part in the seawater. On board, the analogue signal is converted to the temperature by data processor and the data is stored in PC. Depth data is calculated from the elapsed time.

System

(1) Launcher

Hand launcher

Manufacturer : Sippican, Inc.

Operation area : Rear upper deck

Automatic launcher

Manufacturer : Tsurumi Seiki Co., LTD.

Location : Port side of rear upper deck (4m from the sea level). The control panel is installed in the investigation room.

(2) Converter

Manufacturer : Tsurumi Seiki Co., LTD.

Location : Investigation room

Sampling rate : 50 msec

(3) XBT probe specifications

Probe Type	TSK T-5	TSK T-6	TSK T-7	TSK T-10
Temperature range [deg-C]	-2 to 35			
Temperature accuracy [deg-C]	+/- 0.2			
Temperature resolution [deg-C]	0.01			
Measurment depth [m]	1830	460	760	300
Depth accuracy [m]	5 or +/- 2% of depth; whichever is larger			
Maximum elapsed time [sec]	291	73	123	48
Rated ship speed [knot]	6	15	15	10

Since XBT carries no pressure sensor, we need to estimate depth from the elapsed time. The fall-rate equation is as follows.

$$Z = at + 10E^{-3} \cdot bt^2$$

Where Z(m) is the depth and t(sec) is the elapsed time.

In addition, coefficients of the fall-rate equation are different by probe types.

Probe Type	TSK T-5	TSK T-6	TSK T-7	TSK T-10
Coefficient-a	6.828	6.691	6.691	6.301
Coefficient-b	-1.82	-2.25	-2.25	-2.16

* Coefficients listed above are supplied by Sippican, Inc., in USA.

The list of an XBT type used in each cast is as follows.

Cast name	Probe Serial No.	Probe Type	Launcher	Converter
200206032249	-	T-5	Auto	MK-30N
200206040021	-	T-5	Auto	MK-30N
200206040230	-	T-5	Auto	MK-30N
200206040418	-	T-5	Auto	MK-30N
200206040605	-	T-5	Auto	MK-30N
200206040745	-	T-5	Auto	MK-30N
200206040927	-	T-5	Auto	MK-30N
200206041113	-	T-5	Auto	MK-30N
200206041350	-	T-5	Auto	MK-30N
200206041439	-	T-5	Auto	MK-30N
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200206090209	-	T-7	Auto	MK-30N
200206091446	-	T-7	Auto	MK-30N
200206091612	-	T-7	Auto	MK-30N
200206091737	-	T-7	Auto	MK-30N
200206091858	-	T-7	-	MK-30N
200206092019	-	T-7	Auto	MK-30N
200206092145	-	T-7	Auto	MK-30N
200206100844	-	T-7	Auto	MK-30N
200206101003	-	T-7	Auto	MK-30N
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200206101237	-	T-7	-	MK-30N
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200206130932	-	T-7	-	MK-30N
200206131003	-	T-7	-	MK-30N
200206131034	-	T-7	-	MK-30N
200206131104	-	T-7	-	MK-30N
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200206131344	-	T-7	-	MK-30N
200206131418	-	T-7	-	MK-30N
200206131452	-	T-7	-	MK-30N
200206131531	-	T-7	-	MK-30N
200206131606	-	T-7	-	MK-30N
200206131641	-	T-7	-	MK-30N
200206131715	-	T-7	-	MK-30N
200206131749	-	T-7	-	MK-30N
200206131823	-	T-7	-	MK-30N
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200206131932	-	T-7	Auto	MK-30N
200206132006	-	T-7	Auto	MK-30N
200206140617	-	T-7	Auto	MK-30N
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200206181253	-	T-7	Auto	MK-30N
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200206181428	-	T-7	Auto	MK-30N

Data processing

(1) For sensor's stability, values of less than 1 m for temperature are replaced by missing values, respectively, based on manufacturer's recommendation.

(2) Quality control

QCed data were added flag according to the NODC (National Oceanographic Data Center) quality control procedure.

- 1) The gradient check of adjacent depth data
- 2) The broad range check set up at given ocean space and depth

Please see the site of NODC of the following link for quality control procedure in detail.

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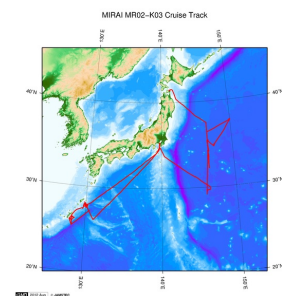
In addition, an abnormal value is identified by a visual check, and the data after visual QC is released.

Note

(1) It is reported that T-5 probes produced by Tsurumi Seiki Co. Ltd. (TSK T-5 probes) have a fall-rate bias. Please see the following about publication policy of XBT fall-rate bias correction data.

[Publication policy of XBT fall-rate bias correction data](#)

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XBT DMO

Each data file contains one line header (meta data) followed by data lines for each cast.

The number of data lines are recorded in the header.

Header part

No.	Column	Content	Format	Remarks
1	1	Header ID	a1	fixed as '#'
2	3 - 6	Data ID	a4	XBT
3	8 - 22	Cruise ID	a15	
4	33 - 40	Date	i8	YYYYMMDD (UTC)
5	42 - 45	Time	i4	hhmm (UTC)
6	47 - 55	Latitude	i2,a1,f5.2,a1	dd-mm.mmN(S)
7	57 - 66	Longitude	i3,a1,f5.2,a1	ddd-mm.mmE(W)
8	68 - 71	Number of data lines	i4	
9	72 - 73	Terminator	-	CR+LF

Data part

No.	Column	Content	Unit	Format	Remarks
1	1 - 11	Depth	m	f11.1	
2	12 - 22	Temperature	deg-C	f11.2	ITS-90
3	45 - 55	Flag	-	i11	1 - 7 : space 8 : flag of depth 9 : flag of temperature 10 - 11 : space * reference : Definition of Quality Control Flags
4	56 - 57	Terminator	-	-	CR+LF

Each contents of the data part is stored in 11 bytes.

Missing value is presented by '-5', and error value is presented by '-9'.

Definition of Quality Control Flags

1. Depth Flags

- 0 - accepted value
- 1 - error in recorded depth (same or less than previous depth)
- 2 - density inversion

2. Observed Level Flags

- N - missing value
- 0 - accepted value
- 1 - range outlier (outside of broad range check)
- 2 - failed inversion check
- 3 - failed gradient check
- 4 - zero anomaly
- 5 - failed combined gradient and inversion checks
- 6 - failed range and inversion checks
- 7 - failed range and gradient checks
- 8 - failed range and zero anomaly checks
- 9 - failed range and combined gradient and inversion checks
- A - failed visual check

* Range and gradient check is performed to XBT data.

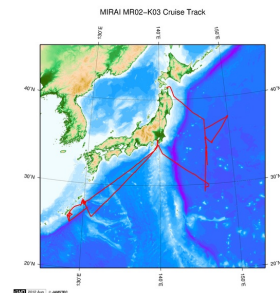
QCed data were added flag according to the NODC (National Oceanographic Data Center) quality control procedure, additionally visually checked. Please see the site of NODC of the following link for quality control procedure.

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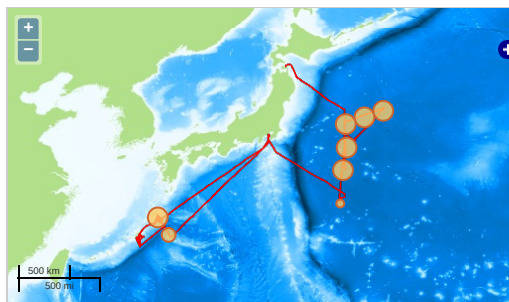
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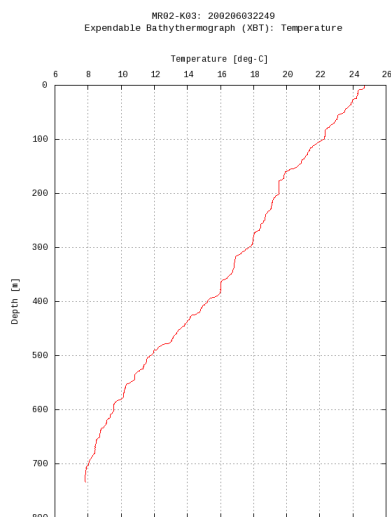
Observation Map

1. Clicking the icon displays a balloon with observation information.
2. Then click the observation name, figures will be displayed.



Figures

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Only values evaluated as "good" : all flags are 0" are plotted in profiles.
Please see Format Page for the definition of quality flags.

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200206040418	2002-06-04 04:10	27.6953	130.0860
200206040605	2002-06-04 05:59	27.5526	130.1735
200206040745	2002-06-04 07:38	27.4126	130.2600
200206040927	2002-06-04 09:20	27.2728	130.3458
200206041113	2002-06-04 11:07	27.1340	130.4336
200206041350	2002-06-04 13:44	26.9968	130.5175
200206041439	2002-06-04 14:32	26.8588	130.6045
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200206041835	2002-06-04 18:29	26.1666	131.0315
200206090209	2002-06-09 02:06	29.3675	146.0158
200206091446	2002-06-09 14:43	32.3348	146.2613
200206091612	2002-06-09 16:09	32.6674	146.2971
200206091737	2002-06-09 17:34	33.0008	146.3356
200206091858	2002-06-09 18:56	33.3336	146.3753
200206092019	2002-06-09 20:16	33.6674	146.3976
200206092145	2002-06-09 21:43	34.0003	146.4338
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200206101237	2002-06-10 12:35	35.3333	146.4471
200206130900	2002-06-13 08:58	37.5978	149.8333
200206130932	2002-06-13 09:29	37.5356	149.6658
200206131003	2002-06-13 10:00	37.4778	149.5004
200206131034	2002-06-13 10:31	37.4208	149.3333
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