

Boatbot Experiments

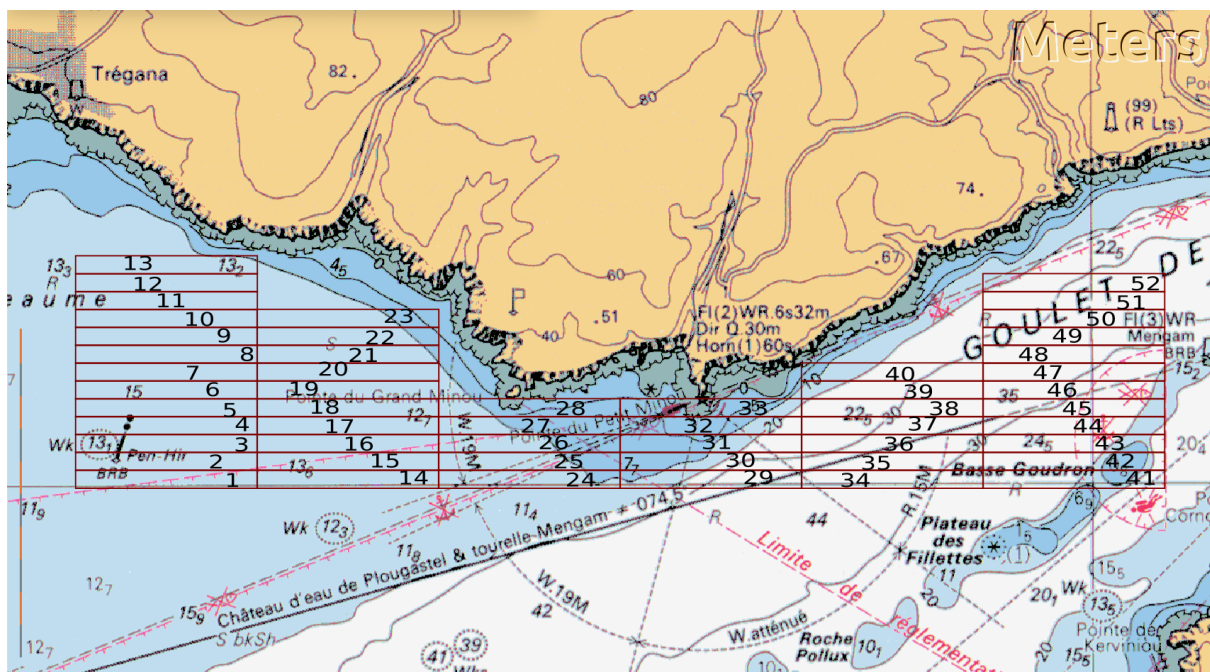
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Objective

- Test of secondary (and smaller) controller setup
- Gather Magnetic, GNSS-Data on Brique 10

Area of Deployment

Brique 10 of search area for La Cordelière



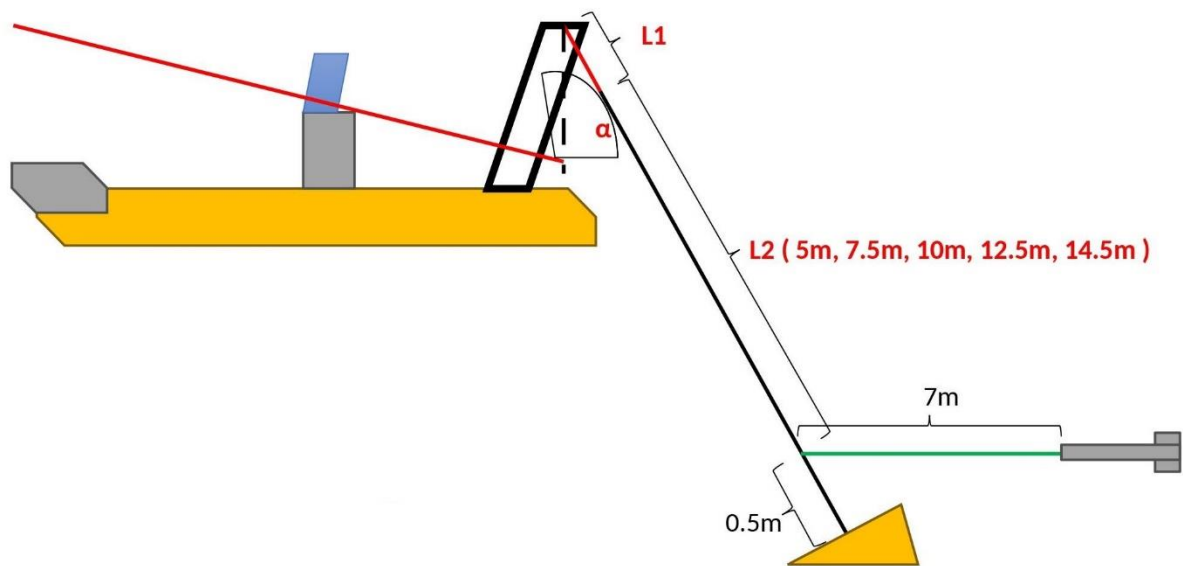
Maritime Weather

- High to low tide
- 4kts currents
- Wind from Southwest-West
- Over 1m swell

Boatbot Setup

- L1 \approx 0.5m
- L2 = 12.5m
- $\alpha \approx 57^\circ$
- Small Controller Box
 - See config.yaml for controller setup
- Depressor, Magnetometer, IMU, GNSS
- Navigation Computer (Boatbot)

- Data Computer (Hydro)



Participants

- Calvin Lacher (External Intern)
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Results

- Small Controller worked
- Brique 10 completed
 - Retrieved magnetic data
 - Retrieved GNSS data
- Water depth: 16-19m
- Sensor depth:
 - Magnetometer: ~7m
 - Depressor: ~7.5m



Problems

- RTK-Connection not stable
- Strong currents
 - Made going from east to west difficult without putting high stress on depressor rope
 - Difficult to keep constant speed of ~4kts during brique
- High swell made it difficult to set everything up
- Boat went in snake lines because of the currents