Oil in Water Measurement Associated with the Shipping Industry

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- Selling and manufacturing oil-in-water monitors since more than 35 years for marine and industrial applications: more than 55.000
- On-line-instruments for bilge water separators, cooling water, boiler feedwater, surface runoff waters, effluent water and produced water
- For marine applications, certified as 15-ppm Bilge-Alarm according to IMO-Resolution MEPC.107(49)

Topics

- IMO, MARPOL 73/78
- Bilge water
- Resolutions, MEPC.107(49)
- Instrumentation
- Technology
- Light scattering: Measuring principle

IMO = International Maritime Organization

- International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution Form Ships, MARPOL 73/78 administered by the IMO
- Annex I prevention of pollution by oil & oily water,
 2 October 1983
- Annex II control of pollution by noxious liquid substances in bulk, 6 April 1987
- Annex III prevention of pollution by harmful substances carried by sea in packaged form, 1 July 1992
- Annex IV pollution by sewage from ships, 27 September 2003
- Annex V pollution by garbage from ships, 31 December 1988
- Annex VI Prevention of air pollution from ships, 19 May 2005

IMO, MARPOL

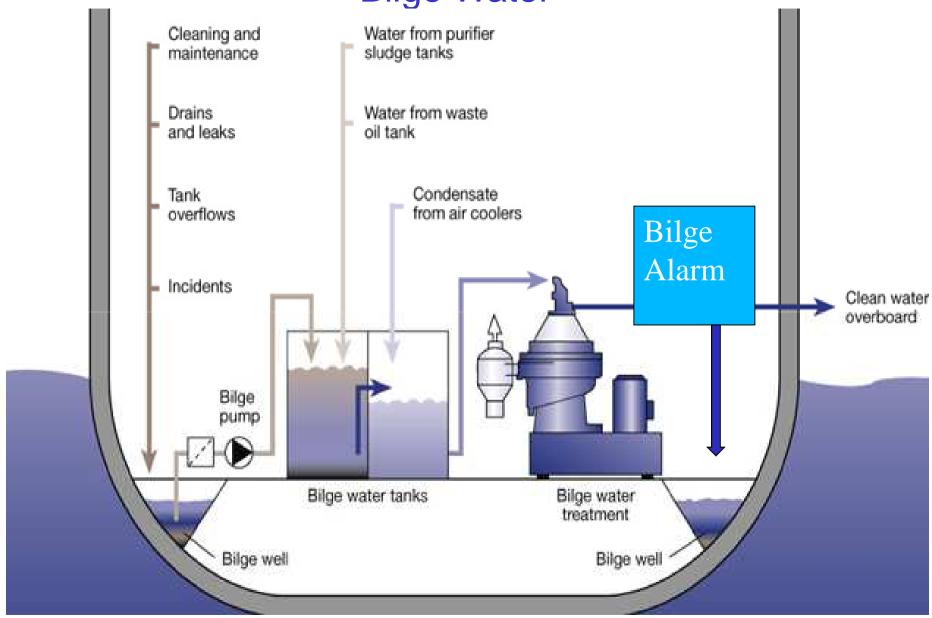
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Oil Tanker deballasting:
Oil discharge control system
ODME

(Oil Discharge Monitoring Equipment)

Bilge water treatment:
Separator
Bilge-Alarm

Bilge Water



IMO-Resolutions by MEPC

(= Marine Environment Protection Committee)

Tanker deballasting (Tanker > 150 GT)

- A.586(14),2 October 1986
- MEPC. 108(49), 1 January 2005

Measurement:

Oil litres per nautical mile

Bilge water treatment (all > 400GT)

- A.393(X),
 14 November 1978
- MEPC. 60(33), 30 April 1994
- MEPC.107(49),1 January 2005

Oil concentration

Bilge water resolutions, basic points

• A.393(X):

100ppm(+/-10ppm or 20%) / 15ppm(+/-5ppm) Arabian light crude 0 / 6% salt 100ppm solids (air cleaner test dust) @100ppm oil 20s response time Reference: differential IR-Absorption

• MEPC. 60(33):

15ppm(+/-5ppm), light destillate fuel oil 0 / 6% salt 10ppm solids (air cleaner test dust) @ 10ppm oil 20s response time Reference: differential IR-Absorption

MEPC.107(49), basic points

- 15ppm (+/- 5ppm)
- Test Fluid "A" Marine residual fuel oil RMG 35
- Test Fluid "B" Marine distillate fuel oil DMA
- Test Fluid "C" Emulsion Mixture of A + B and Surfactant + Iron Oxide
- 0 / 6% salt
- 10, 50, 100ppm solids (iron oxide) @ 10ppm oil
- 5s response time
- Data logging system: should record date, time, alarm status and operating status of separator
- Reference: GC-FID, ISO 9377-2

MEPC.107(49)

- Environmental test including vibration, temperature, humidity and inclination
- Avoid wilful manipulation (breaking of seal)
- Alarm activated whenever clean water is used
- Accuracy check at IOPP certificate renewal
- Calibration certificate should be retained on board for inspection purposes
- Accuracy check only by manufacturer or persons authorized by manufacturer

Future regulations / trends

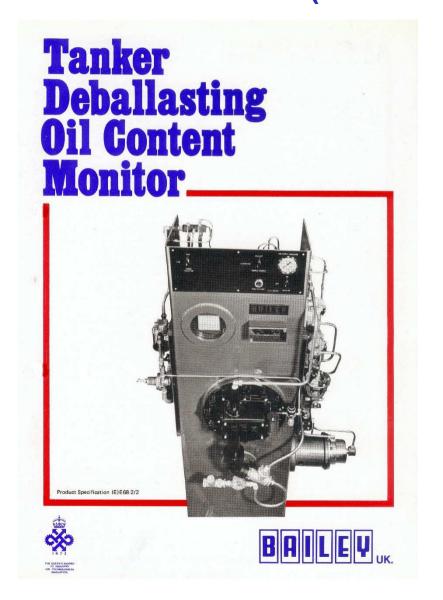
- 5ppm(+/-3ppm) oil content => Canada
- 5ppm(+/-2ppm) oil content => DNV-GL
- tamper-proof design => "white box"



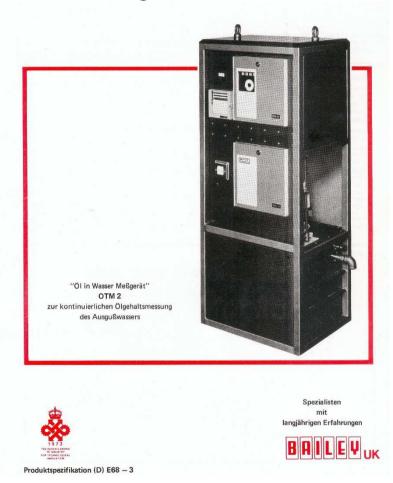
 automatic discharge control by concatenation with ship position data and electronic map

Instrumentation

First instruments from Bailey UK 1973 / 1976 (UV-fluorescence)



Bilge Water Monitor



15ppm Bilge Alarm OCA, Year 1979 (white light attenuation, Photos Feburary 2010)





Technological Progress



235 kg 70 kg 17 kg 3,5 kg 1,5 kg

UV-fluorescence / light scattering

Development 1970 – 2010 15

15ppm Bilge Alarm: OMD-24

Powersupply,

Visualization

Alarming

Measuring Cell (light scattering)



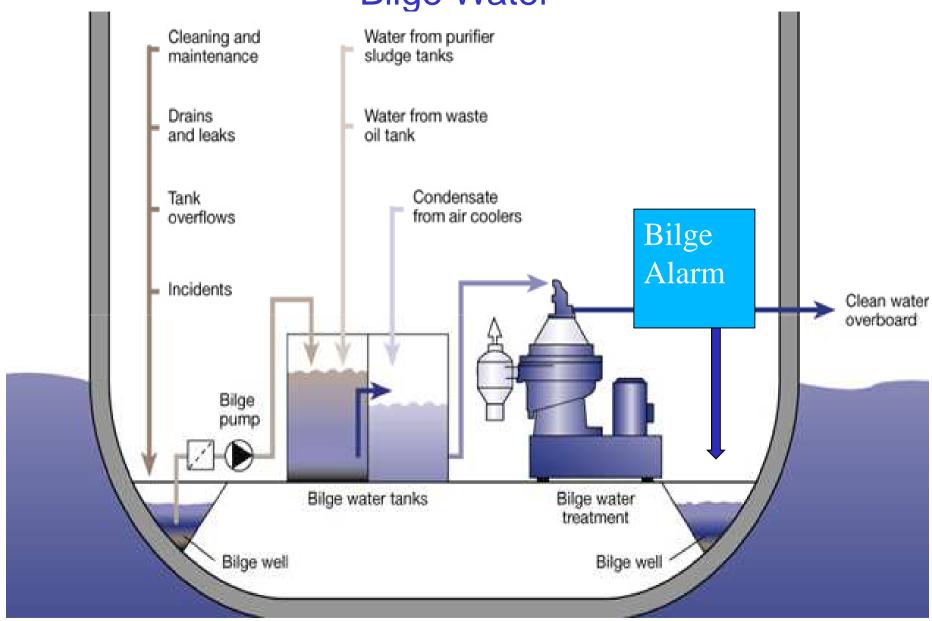


OMD-24 mounted on a centrifugal separator



Technology

Bilge Water



What to measure in bilge water

- Different oiltypes: light, crude, lubricant etc.
- Varying composition: different timescale
- Several chemicals: e.g. cleaning agents, tensides
- Varying salt content
- Solids: iron oxide, calcium carbonate etc.
- Biological load
- Gas/Air load

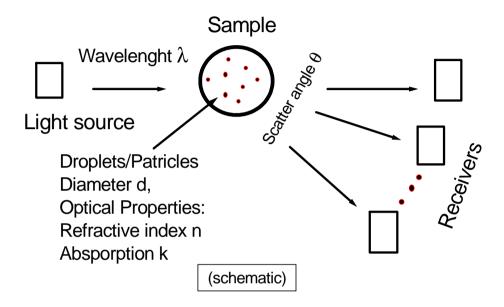
Bilge Alarms - Technology

Commonly used: Light scattering

UV-fluorescence:
 e.g. FPSO´s, special application

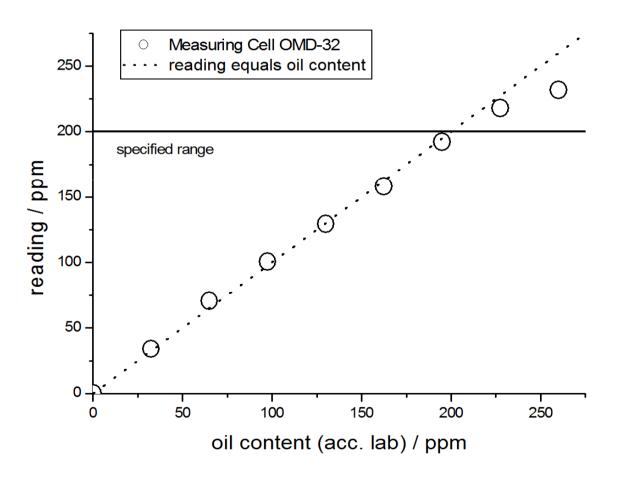
Other: Camera systems
 e.g. special application

Light scattering

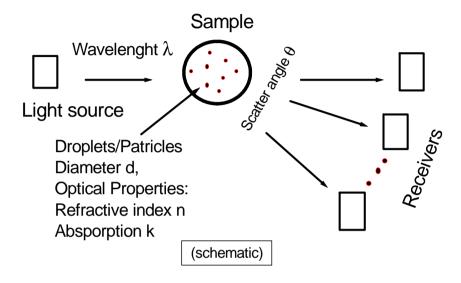


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Light scattering - Linearity



Light scattering



- Intensity of scattered light depends on particle size and shape, optical properties, and incident wavelength compensate for varying parameter
- Intrinsically linear at low concentrations
- Price

Summary

- Oil in water measurement in the shipping industry is regulated by IMO: up to now 15ppm oil content
- Actual regulation MEPC.107(49) try to simulate the situation on board with different oiltypes and chemicals/solids
- Scattered light measurement is accurate and reliable in terms of IMO regulation
- Now / in near future, regulations will tighten the measurement: 5ppm +/- 2ppm oil content

Gross Tonnage

Gross Tons Volume (m3)

2 10

24 100

260 1,000

2,800 10,000

30,000 100,000

320,000 1,000,000