

Digital Exchange of Harmonic Constants



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Background

- Harmonic Constant (HC) data is passed freely between Foreign Government Hydrographic Offices (FGHO's) on request.....BUT.....
-it is frequently in a variety of differing digital formats and layouts



Some Examples....

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Brazil

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28	MU2	.07768947	15	197/1297	0.0333	356.02
29	N2	.07899925	15	197/1297	0.1739	21.11
30	NU2	.07920162	15	197/1297	0.0324	25.54
31	M2	.08051140	15	197/1297	0.8337	36.00
32	MKS2	.08073956	15	197/1297	0.0127	68.62

Netherlands

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Bath
( N 51 24   E 4 13 )
Harmonic constituents computed from hourly levels 1997...2000
( SA and SM from hourly levels 1976...1994 )
Mean level = 2.79 meter above chart datum
Resp. name, phase angle ( g ) in degree ( time zone : MET = UT + 1 hour ),
amplitude ( H ) in meter, speed in degrees per hour, and Extended Doodson Number
SA      219.20  .06550   .041069  056555
SM      45.80   .08250   1.015896 073555
Q1     169.87  .03812   13.398661 135655
O1     214.13  .11095   13.943036 145555
M1C    148.71  .00810   14.492052 155555
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OQ2    354.34  .01561   27.341696 225655
MNS2   170.12  .04209   27.423834 227655
2ML2S2 339.94  .03023   27.496687 229455
NLK2    21.11  .05082   27.886070 235555
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NU2     54.72  .12188   28.512583 247455
MSK2   263.17  .02979   28.901966 253555
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MSP2   146.56  .00771   29.025173 256555
MKS2   260.15  .01820   29.066240 257555
LABDA2 104.14  .06988   29.455626 263655
2MN2   286.76  .18402   29.528479 265455
T2     138.40  .03415   29.958933 272556
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K2     156.43  .15648   30.082136 275555
MSN2    .10   .03611   30.544374 283455
2SM2    22.23  .04873   31.015896 291555
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NO3    185.98  .01874   42.382767 335655
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2MP3   242.64  .00679   43.009277 347555
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Germany

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17	P1	.04155259	506	1	1/12	3.1869	55.59	3.1881	66.76
18	K1	.04178075	506	1	1/12	7.0270	56.86	7.0419	55.13
19	PHI1	.04200891	506	1	1/12	.8369	162.94	.8647	307.35
20	THE1	.04309053	506	1	1/12	.5503	239.48	.5328	59.31
21	J1	.04329290	506	1	1/12	.3004	212.75	.3245	116.85
22	SO1	.04460268	506	1	1/12	.3930	260.35	.3936	343.96
23	OO1	.04483084	506	1	1/12	.4093	130.14	.4031	28.56
24	UPS1	.04634299	506	1	1/12	.4783	255.08	.4870	64.27
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27	2N2	.07748710	506	1	1/12	4.5215	354.13	5.0346	106.78
28	MU2	.07768947	506	1	1/12	13.5897	101.04	13.8726	297.51
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30	NU2	.07920162	506	1	1/12	8.0515	325.00	8.1679	65.81
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33	LDA2	.08182118	506	1	1/12	5.4992	26.27	5.5305	303.38
34	L2	.08202355	506	1	1/12	11.5236	36.96	12.1924	27.60
35	S2	.08333334	506	1	1/12	34.6370	80.17	34.6344	80.04
36	K2	.08356149	506	1	1/12	10.5368	83.92	10.3515	260.37
37	MSN2	.08484548	506	1	1/12	2.6139	268.63	2.6369	174.11
38	ETA2	.08507364	506	1	1/12	.0862	351.21	.0974	75.50
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France

Calais

temps en usage: UT +1.0 h
L=50 58N G= 1 51E

longues periodes

onde	nb argument	vitesse (°/h)	amplitude (cm)	situation (°)
NIV MOY	055555	0.00000000	406.58	0.03
SA	056555	0.04106864	8.41	221.82
SSA	057555	0.08213728	2.33	94.68
MSM	063655	0.47152109	0.58	63.24
MM	065455	0.54437469	1.16	218.11
MSF	073555	1.01589578	1.76	186.92
MF	075555	1.09803306	0.91	351.46

diurnes

onde	nb argument	vitesse (°/h)	amplitude (cm)	situation (°)
2Q1	125755	12.85428619	0.68	111.68
SIGMA1	127555	12.92713980	0.22	253.43
Q1	135655	13.39866088	1.67	114.21
RHO1	137455	13.47151449	0.55	136.04
O1	145555	13.94303558	5.52	155.01
MS1	146555	13.98410422	1.42	61.95

Canada

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WaterLevConstit 00065 SAINT JOHN                                0/00/00||
!Computed      45 16.00 N 66 04.00 W                          +04 0000:00 ||
      60 0365days 100.0%                                       0000:00 06||
Stephenson,FE                                                ||
Reference v2.2 002                                                0||
                                0   0                             ||
01 Const Name [Ref Nam]      0      TW                         ||
02 Nominal Period hours      1      3W                        ||
03 Amplitude      metres      2      4W                        ||
04 Phase Lag[g]      deg      1      2W                        ||
05 Doodson Numbers      0      TW                             ||
06 Security      0      TW                                    ||
Tides & Currents, IOS      Shore                               ||
00065const.wlev                                          fl__00065cyyddda.wlev ||
**                                                       ||
Constituents from Crawford's analysis at IOS (Jan 2/97)      ||
ZO changed from 4.4100 to previous "Bluebook" value of 4.4200 m BdlB 9 Jan 97||
Checked against Crawford's results ok BdlB 9 Jan 1997      ||
Doodson numbers as defined by Godin's The Analysis of Tides. pp 25-27 ||
                                                       ||
                                                       ||
ZO      0.000  4.4200  0.00  0  0  0  0  0  0  46
SA      8766.231  0.0240 108.00  0  0  1  0  0 -1 21
SSA     4382.906  0.0510 114.10  0  0  2  0  0  0 5e
MM       661.309  0.0100 205.70  0  1  0 -1  0  0 29
MSF      354.367  0.0080 211.50  0  2 -2  0  0  0 54
MF       327.859  0.0090 242.60  0  2  0  0  0  0 2e
SIG1     27.848  0.0030 124.90  1 -3  2  0  0  0 53
Q1       26.868  0.0190 102.80  1 -2  0  1  0  0 50
RHO1     26.723  0.0050 105.80  1 -2  2 -1  0  0 51
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UK

IPSI Tides - Harmonic constants

Run by jonescy at 10:59:40 on 17/05/2007

No: 0089 Name: DOVER STANDARD PORT

Time Zone: GMT Position: 51 07 N 001 19 E

Authority: HO 19 YRS 1979-2006 Units: METRES

Z0: +3.758 Shallow Water Corrections

A0: "H" "g"
F4:f4 0.0464 278.7
Key: S = Suspect F6:f6 0.0041 186.1
 I = Inferred

Constituents

<u>Name</u>	<u>"H"</u>	<u>"g"</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>"H"</u>	<u>"g"</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>"H"</u>	<u>"g"</u>
Sa	0.065	211.8	2MS3	0.001	265.5	MSN6	0.014	141.7
Ssa	0.023	094.7	2MP3	0.005	141.0	4MN6	0.009	274.8
Mnum	0.005	263.4	M3	0.011	035.3	MNK6	0.001	101.4
Mm	0.007	184.7	MP3	0.003	352.4	2(MS)K6	0.002	303.2
Msf	0.015	220.1	MS3	0.003	341.6	2MT6	0.003	140.5
Mf	0.018	236.1	MK3	0.015	008.9	2MS6	0.060	150.0
Q1	0.023	121.0	2MQ3	0.003	102.2	2MK6	0.017	154.2
rho1	0.006	121.7	SP3	0.003	078.0	2SM6	0.012	217.1
O1	0.057	180.2	S3	0.001	191.3	MSK6	0.007	218.7
MS1	0.001	100.2	SK3	0.007	081.3	S6	0.002	017.7
MP1	0.003	216.7	3MK4	0.008	302.8	2MNO7	0.003	068.6
M1	0.003	192.5	3MS4	0.024	292.1	2NMK7	0.001	045.7
chi1	0.002	033.3	MSNK4	0.003	028.0	M7	0.002	141.1
pil	0.003	054.3	MN4	0.092	197.2	2MSO7	0.003	167.2
P1	0.021	022.1	Mnu4	0.024	181.2	2(MN)8	0.006	318.2
S1	0.006	239.1	2MSK4	0.009	004.2	5MS8	0.003	095.1
K1	0.049	042.4	MA4	0.007	168.9	3MN8	0.016	343.8
psi1	0.002	315.8	M4	0.255	221.1	3Mnu8	0.005	328.2

Exchange of data is important between FGHO's

- Ensures that the most up-to-date information is used in tidal / navigational products
- The less manual intervention the better – reduces the likelihood of random human error

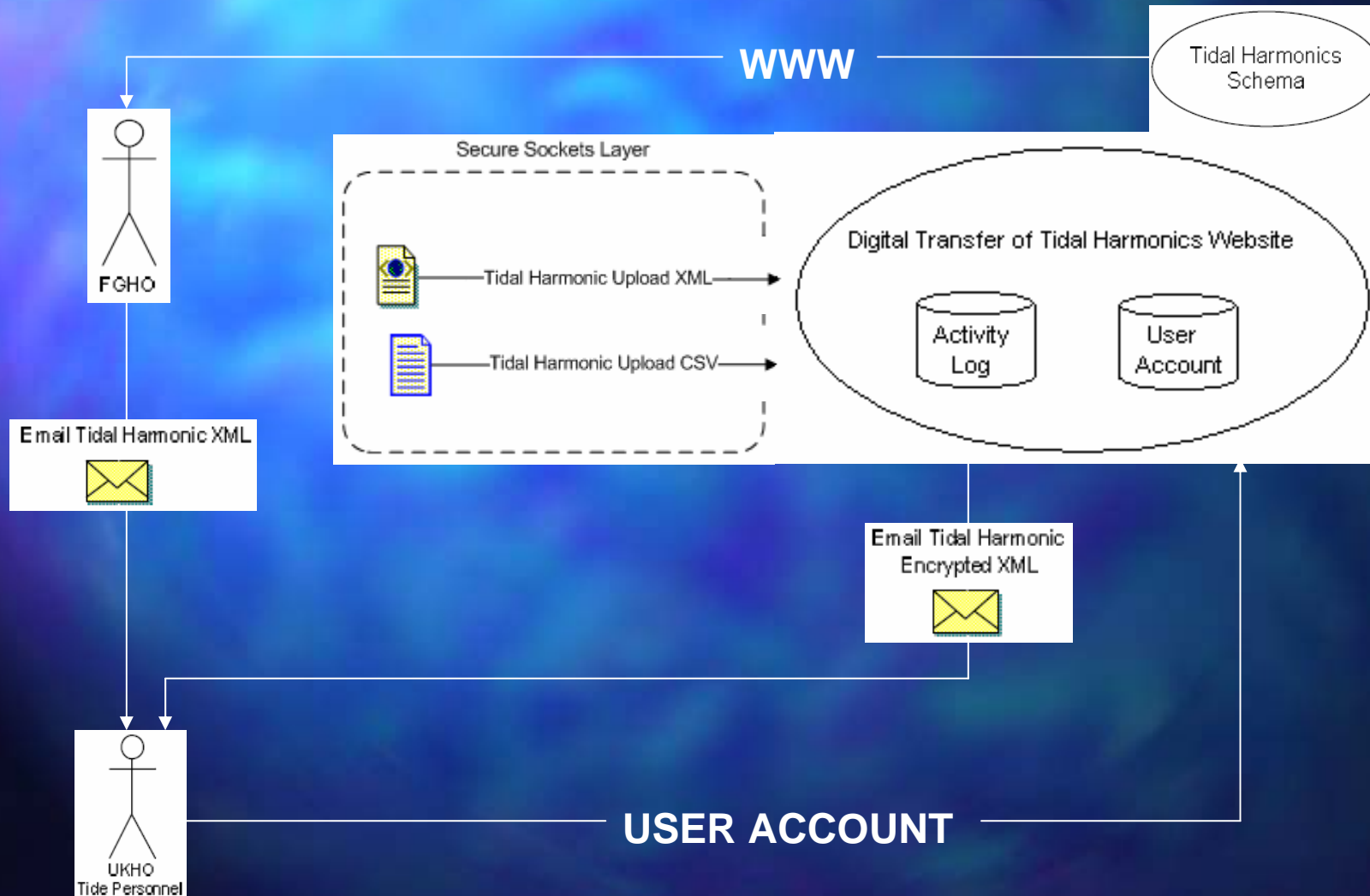
Proposal

- To develop a new way of exchanging HC's between FGHO's
- A convenient way of transferring data - like that of the International Exchange format for predictions (ASCII)
- Web application will transfer tidal harmonic constants in an XML format

The project

- IHO Tidal Committee (TC) tasked the IHO Transfer Standard Maintenance and Application Development Working Group (TSMAD) to develop a standard transfer mechanism for harmonic constants
- Draft Product Specification prepared
- Aim - to develop a web application that will output an Extensible Mark-up Language (XML) file for transfer between FGHO's

How will it work?



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Product Specification: Gives details of.....

- Header Information and Data Record
- Precision of Phase Angle (g) and Amplitude (H) relative to observation period
- Extended Doodson Number (XDO)
- Computation of the Astronomical Argument and use of the XDO
- General information on the major tidal constituents
- Reproduces the Standard List of Tidal Harmonic Constituents (as published on the IHO website)
- Application and Computation of Nodal Corrections
- Derivation of Speeds and values of Nodal Corrections from Constituent Names

Web Link

[http://www.ukho.gov.uk/
tidalharmonics/downloads.aspx](http://www.ukho.gov.uk/tidalharmonics/downloads.aspx)



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Harmonic Constants XML Schema


This website provides a standard transfer mechanism for tidal harmonic constants using an XML schema, which has been adopted by Member States of the IHO, and can be downloaded directly using the links below:

Schema Downloads


 [HC_Schema_V1.xsd](#)

Sample Downloads

 [Example1_Bad.xml](#)

 [Example1_Good.xml](#)

 [Example2_Bad.xml](#)

 [Example2_Good.xml](#)



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The XSD schema file and example XML files are freely available for download. The schema file can be used to validate XML files using a tool such as Altova XMLSpy (www.altova.com), or any other tools which supports XML validation. The example XML files are designed to demonstrate the difference between XML

Contains commands for working with the selected items.

Start

Inbox ...

Digit...

Total...

Time ...

WHDA...

Micro...



09:32

Schema Downloads


- Schema Download 'HC_Schema_V1.xsd'
- Example 1_Good.xml = Well formed, valid against the schema, and contains speeds of each harmonic constituent.
- Example 1_Bad.xml = Well formed, not valid against the schema, and contains speeds of each harmonic constituent.
- Example 2_Good.xml = Well formed, valid against the schema, does not contain speeds of each harmonic constituent.
- Example 2_Bad.xml = Well formed, not valid against the schema, does not contain speeds of each harmonic constituent.
- There are no non-well-formed files available for download, as well-formedness is a by-product of valid XML.

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More information about general XML can be found at www.w3schools.com

Tidal Harmonic Constants Product Specification

The Harmonic Constants Product Specification gives full details of the structure and content of the exchanged file(s), and can be viewed/downloaded below:

Specification Downloads

1. HC Exchange Format Product Spec.doc
2. HC Exchange Format Annex A.doc
3. HC Exchange Format Annex B.doc



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