

Mobile Satellite Service Expand Opportunity for Ocean Observing and Monitoring Using AIS

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Abstract: We live in a continually changing condition where there is an imperative requirement for persevering checking of human exercises, regardless of whether it is for security, wellbeing, monetary or ecological purposes. Our seas are no special case and may even be the area of our globe that is most at hazard. Unbeknownst to many, there is restricted perceivability and attention to sea action past 40-50 nautical miles from our coastline. Shore-based advances have constrained range, space-based radar and different sensors have restricted scope and marine watch and manufactured gap radar (SAR) resources are too exorbitant to send over a wide region. By and by, the capacity to know the who, what and when of any traveling vessel close to our coastline or in the vast sea is a basic bit of knowledge whether it is to counter robbery, avert illicit medication carrying, lessen reaction time for hunt and save operations, battle unlawful angling, screen marine secured regions (MPAs) and so forth. A current innovation that can help is programmed data framework (AIS) following. Each marine vessel over a specific gross tonnage is required to be fitted with an AIS transponder that radiates VHF (high recurrence) messages containing the ship's recognizable proof data, GPS position, course and speed. AIS transponders are introduced on more than 130,000 vessels. Satellites give a more far reaching administration than shore-based beneficiaries incorporating more than 8 million AIS messages every day, except there are still holes in scope in the untamed sea and long in formation latencies (30 min all things considered). In this research, we present another application-particular in forming (ASM) benefit. At the point when consolidated with the new continuous (RT) AIS heavenly body (facilitated on Iridium NEXT satellites), it will grow open doors for financially savvy long haul sea watching and observing far and wide. This new administration can be utilized to transfer in formation gathered by sensors on any sea resource, (e.g., dispatch, float, aid to navigation, ramble and so on.) furnished with an appropriate AIS handset. We likewise investigate the utilization of the new ASM benefit by taking a gander at conceivable utilize cases, specifically how ASM could assume a compelling part in overseeing ship outflows, (i.e., CO₂, NO_x and SO_x) a huge issue for the worldwide business shipping armada as for bringing down its carbon impression.

Key words: Sea observing, satellite AIS, application-particular in forming (ASM), VHF Data Exchange System (VDES), satellite correspondences, crowdsourcing, emanations

INTRODUCTION

Another, unique, ongoing (RT) AIS group of stars to be propelled as a component of a facilitated payload on the Iridium NEXT satellites will grow open doors for long haul sea watching and oceanic area mindfulness (MDA) around the world. Real-time AIS tracking from space expands opportunities for global ocean observing and maritime domain awareness is discussed by Kocak and Browning (2015). This framework will track marine vessels speedier and more precisely than existing techniques accordingly enhancing effectiveness, wellbeing and security on a worldwide scale. Review of maritime transport is explained by UNCTAD (2006). We appraise more than 50 million AIS positions will be accounted for every day by more than 140,000 particular vessels and in formation inertness will be under 1 min by and large. A

handbook for the Person-In-Charge (PIC) is described by Huber *et al.* A few key elements make this ability conceivable including: thickness of satellites supporting the system (58 are arranged), constant down-connecting encouraged by rapid satellite-to-satellite correspondences, on-board handling in a reprogrammable (facilitated) payload design and a licensed and demonstrated AIS message preparing capacity. A worldwide survey of recent ocean observatory activities: 2015 update and the WMO Voluntary Observing Ships (VOS) scheme are discussed by Anonymous (2015) and NOAA (2009). Therefore, this new RT innovation will generate novel calculations to address a portion of the hardest, unsolved difficulties we confront in sea watching and MDA. Guidance on the use of AIS application-specific messages is described by IMO (2010) and ITUR (2015).

Notwithstanding supporting better ship following, this RT ability will bolster different parts of the AIS standard and arranged VDES concerning in formation gathering from remote sea resources for example, ships, floats, Aids to Navigation (A-Ns) and automaton. Technical characteristics for a VHF data exchange system in the VHF maritime mobile band and design of acoustic modem for autonomous underwater vehicles are explained by Sathishkumar and Rajavel (2014).

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Remote monitoring of the oceans

The need: The seas cover over 70% of the Earth's surface and assume a key part in all parts of our lives: global angle creation is the greatest wellspring of wild or household protein on the planet. Around 90% of world exchange goes through ports and are transported by means of boats. About 17% of the world's oil and flammable gas assets originated from our seas. Tankers move ~2,000,000,000 metric huge amounts of oil each year, second just to pipelines as far as effectiveness where the normal cost adds up to just 2 or 3 pennies for every 1 US gallon.

The seas shape our atmosphere and climate designs. A comparative study of saline and non-saline water in application of tomato yield by using photonic sensor is discussed by Roy *et al.* (2016). Recreation and tourism represent over 5% of the world's aggregate GNP. More than a large portion of the total populace lives inside 100 km (60 m) of a coastline. Since, old circumstances, a country's capacity to 'control the ocean' has been utilized as a measure of its military quality.

The way to safeguarding and ensuring this significant asset is to better comprehend sea procedures and occasions happening in that. Gathering in formation on a worldwide scale is the initial move towards this comprehension. Analysis on capillary pressure curves by wettability modification through surfactants is discussed by Julius *et al.* (2015).

Data collection from remote assets: Customarily the greater part of oceanic Mobile Satellite Service (MSS) use identifies with voice interchanges and team in formation for example, email with more than 75% of in formation identified with group maintenance. A generally little extent is identified with ship in formation and following. Be that as it may, progressively sea MSS is additionally being utilized to transfer in formation from boats and other sea resources, (e.g., sea floats) with all major MSS suppliers supporting some kind of Machine-to-Machine (M2M) in formation exchange ability.

The regular components crosswise over MSS suppliers are that a client requires an administration membership, a satellite correspondence (SATCOM) terminal on their remote resource and an association from the terminal to the remote sensor (s). Most suppliers offer two-path, close worldwide in formation administrations scope some offer close constant in forming based administrations while others offer continuous TCP/IP network. Terminals can run in cost from a couple of hundred dollars to a huge number. Benefit costs change gigantically, yet are for the most part extensively more costly than land-based administrations. Besides they include slower in formation transmission. Most require long haul contracts with a month to month use charge and a base month to month spend.

AIS ASM and VDES

Automatic Identification System (AIS): Covering parts of the sea MSS market is the International Maritime Organization (IMO) ordered Automatic Identification System (AIS). Distinguished in the IMO Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) Convention, chapter V (security of route) (IMO., 2010), AIS was initially recognized to bolster safe route by trading data with properly prepared shore stations, different boats and flying machine (SOLAS V, Regulation 19.2.4). Outlined initially as an earthbound framework, AIS works on assigned VHF channels. VHF is regularly called a 'viewable pathway' correspondences ability in spite of the fact that the advanced in formation transmission capacity of AIS frequently "sees" a range essentially more prominent than VHF voice.

Sea resources furnished with an AIS handset/transponder (successfully VHF radios with coordinated GPS) communicate a scope of reports transmitted as AIS messages. There are 27 message sorts upheld by the AIS standard, the essential ones identify with an advantage's position, course and speed. The recurrence of transmissions is likewise commanded and relies on upon the benefit sort, the AIS handset sort and the advantage's operational mode, e.g., a ship in progress transmits AIS position reports more every now and again than a ship docked in port (Fig. 1). There are three broad types of AIS transceivers available for use on a maritime asset.

Class A AIS: Mandatory for all SOLAS class ships priority transmissions, high power, very frequent transmissions of rich message types.

Class B AIS: Not mandated unless by national law, used for smaller ships including fishing boats and leisure. Less

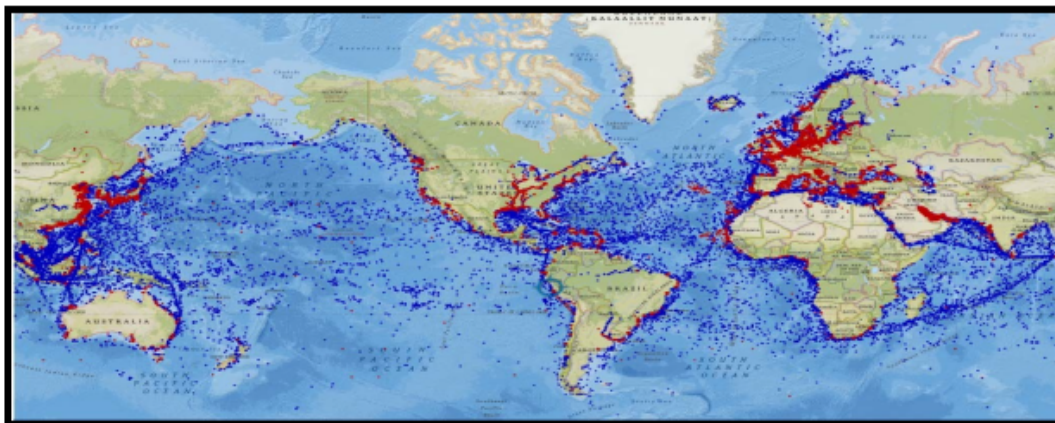


Fig. 1: Terrestrial (red) and satellite (blue) AIS coverage

powerful signal and less frequent transmissions but cheaper transceiver cost and draws less power. As such can be deployed on floating buoys and drones.

A-N AIS: A special AIS transceiver designed specifically for installation on marine aids to navigation such as buoys, light houses and other maritime infrastructure.

Application-Specific Messages (ASM) and VHF Data Exchange System (VDES): In addition to the basic AIS message sets related to vessel position (dynamic data), data on the vessel itself (static data) and data related to the voyage of the vessel (voyage related data), AIS has the ability to transmit and receive short safety-related messages and application-specific binary messages. These messages can either be unicast, (i.e., addressed) or multi-cast, (i.e., broadcast). IMO has developed a Safety of navigation circular to outline some of the opportunities for using application-specific messages (ITUR., 2015).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Satellite constellations and services

ExactView: ExactEarth's current satellite constellation, exactView 1.0, consists of 9 satellites in low earth orbits that detect approximately 5.3 million AIS position reports daily from about 53,000 unique vessels with an average global latency of less than 30 min. The first satellite in the constellation was launched in 2008 and a final satellite launch is scheduled to complete the system planned in late 2016, bringing the constellation up to 11 satellites total (Fig. 2). Currently 27 ground stations support the constellation, located in 20 countries strategically placed around the globe.

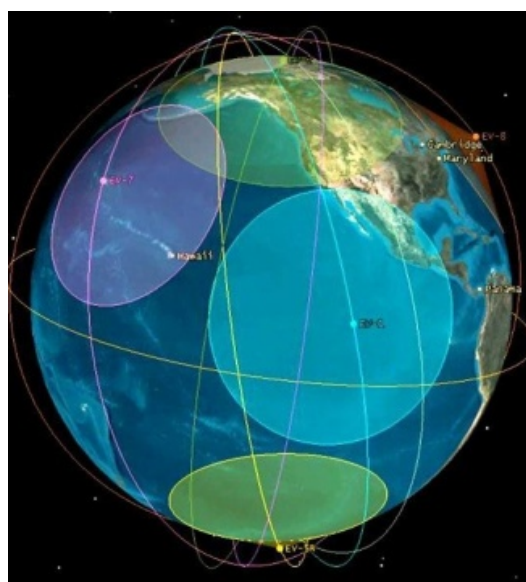


Fig. 2: ExactView 1.0 satellite coverage

Once, the new Iridium NEXT hosted payloads are launched and fully deployed in space, scheduled for the fall of 2017, the "ExactView RT powered by Harris" constellation will consist of 58 satellites (Fig. 3). ExactView RT powered by Harris will leverage the persistent global coverage and real-time connectivity of the Iridium NEXT constellation through the implementation. ExactView RT powered by Harris provides global average revisit under one minute and customer data latency under 1 min. The constellation is estimated to detect over 50 million satellite AIS position reports daily from about 140,000 or more unique vessels with an average global latency of <1 min. The system will utilize Iridium's cross links in space to transmit detected messages to the ground instantly with

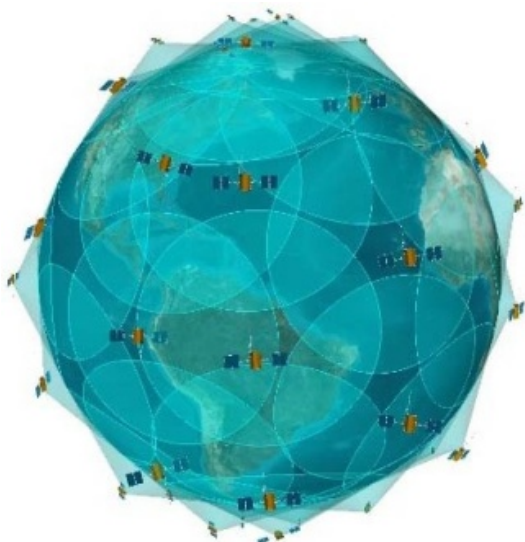


Fig. 3: ExactView RT powered by Harris satellite coverage

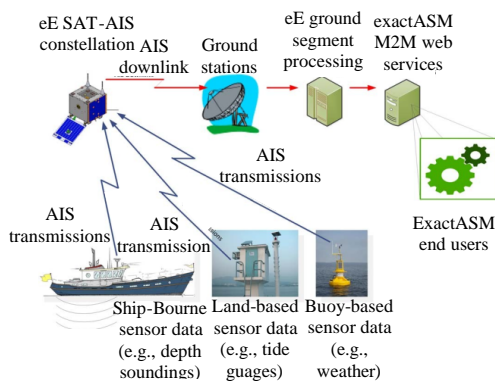


Fig. 4: ExactASM concept

a latency <70 msec. This will enable real-time detection and immediate alerts to anomalies detected in the data (Kocak and Browning, 2015).

ExactASM

Introduction: ExactASM (also, referred to as ‘AIS- Sensor Network Service’ (A-SeNS)) is ExactEarth’s ASM-based service designed to support organisations that need to retrieve information from maritime assets anywhere in the world in a timely and cost-effective fashion (Fig. 4). Potentially this includes any maritime operator who needs to get *in situ* data from their remote asset (ship/A-N/local sensor) back to their business.

Service drivers: Drivers in the general market place for ASM-type services include: the European Commission mandates owners of large ships using European Union

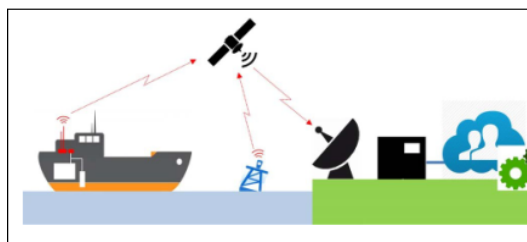


Fig. 5: One-way communication service

(EU) ports to report their verified emissions from 2018, this type of mandate may apply to an increasing number of ships as time passes. Massive growth in the collection of *in situ* and remote data over the last few years, i.e., ‘big data’, ‘smart’ sensors, the ‘internet of things’, sensor ‘webs’, etc.

Nominally the service will be free-to-air with respect to the satellite communication costs. Plus with revisit times and latencies both <1 min courtesy of the new RT S-AIS constellation, it can provide the backbone for affordable, regular monitoring services for any remote maritime location in the world.

Service description and operation: The service nominally provides one-way communication from the remote maritime sensor/asset as illustrated in Fig. 5 and will: provide a new service that with no expensive underlying third-party communication costs will support effective maritime data collection and transmission to remote users in near-real time, from anywhere on the world’s oceans. An AIS A-N transceiver will need to be installed on the A-N/Buoy. Connectivity platform software ensures the best possible chance of satellite reception, therefore, supporting global use.

The exactASM connectivity platform will need to be resident on the buoy and connected to a power supply and a source of live NMEA-format sensor data being collected by the buoy. Alternatively, the exactASM connectivity software from the platform can be integrated onto a buoy’s existing Information Technology (IT) infrastructure.

Alternatively ExactEarth’s connectivity software can be hosted directly on a user’s own IT platform without the need to use the connectivity platform.

Not all administrations/asset operators will support VDE (or will spend resources to do so, e.g., upgrading transceiver equipment). Therefore, as M using current GMSK modulation will continue to have a role with these administrations/operators, if in use on the high-sea.

Example exactview rt ais and exactasm use-cases

Ship emissions monitoring: Ship emissions such as



Fig. 6: Example ship emission problem



Fig. 7: Collecting environmental data

Carbon dioxide (CO₂), Nitrogen Oxides (NO_x) and Sulfur Oxides (SO_x) are a significant issue for the global commercial shipping fleet with respect to lowering its carbon footprint (Fig. 6 and 7).

There are widely diverse capabilities for the collection and reporting of individual vessel energy performance and emissions data collection/collation and reporting. In addition:

There is growing regulatory pressure to develop ship-based monitoring, reporting and verification of emissions. The IMO is focussing on generating a better understanding of the energy efficiency performance of vessels. An increasing number of organisations and companies are interested in the energy performance and emissions of the supply chain.

Environmental monitoring: Gathering environmental data such as meteorological (MET) and physical oceanographic data are useful for many purposes including weather prediction, ocean forecast and climate change studies (Julius *et al.*, 2015). Both fixed assets, (i.e., moored buoys) and mobile assets, (i.e., VOS and autonomous surface vehicles) can utilize ASM messaging to transmit this data from the open ocean via S-AIS, free of additional charges. Mobile assets would be able to fill

in the gaps where infrastructure is not present. Owners of these vessels may even be able to gain some benefit for providing this data, utilizing sensors and transmission equipment that are already aboard the vessel. The only risk is ensuring the sensors are properly calibrated to produce valid data. This can be checked when the vessel is in port or in range of coastal stations where local data can be received to validate the readings (Fig. 7).

CONCLUSION

As a component of the overall, the EU Monitoring, Reporting and Validation (MRV) necessity to report yearly discharges of EU transportation begins in 2018, with a solid probability that the IMO will present a comparative prerequisite inside the following 3-4 years. There are likewise Sulfur Emission Control Areas (SECAs) set up with additional to come and Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMPs) are currently likewise ordered. The greater part of this implies data identified with a ship's fuel utilization, productivity and outflows is winding up noticeably progressively vital for ship proprietors, administrators and verifiers.

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