Retrofitting sensor data on older ships

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Retrofitting

- New vessels should have this installed from the start, or at least a lower threshold for getting the data stream up and running
- Retrofitting means that new tech can be utilized on vessels with older equimpent onboard

It's good for the environment.

And it's good for the business.

Who am I?

- Ådne Brunborg, Data Architect in Seatrans Group
- Five years of experience in shipping, and in Seatrans
- Total of 26 years in various areas of digitalization
 - From programming, testing, designing, integration, software architecture, datawarehouse, big data, management, business intelligence, data migration, and more

(I'm also a decent skier, hunter, and hobby musician.)

Before we begin...

This isn't a sales pitch

 It's rather an agnostic description of the approach and lessons learned

Financial Sustaninability

Gathering sensordata provides little payoff in itself
but it offers a possibility to more accurately calculate (typically) fuel performance.

SEA CARGE Prolonging the lifetime of a vessel, however, have a significant financial upside

Environmental Sustaninability

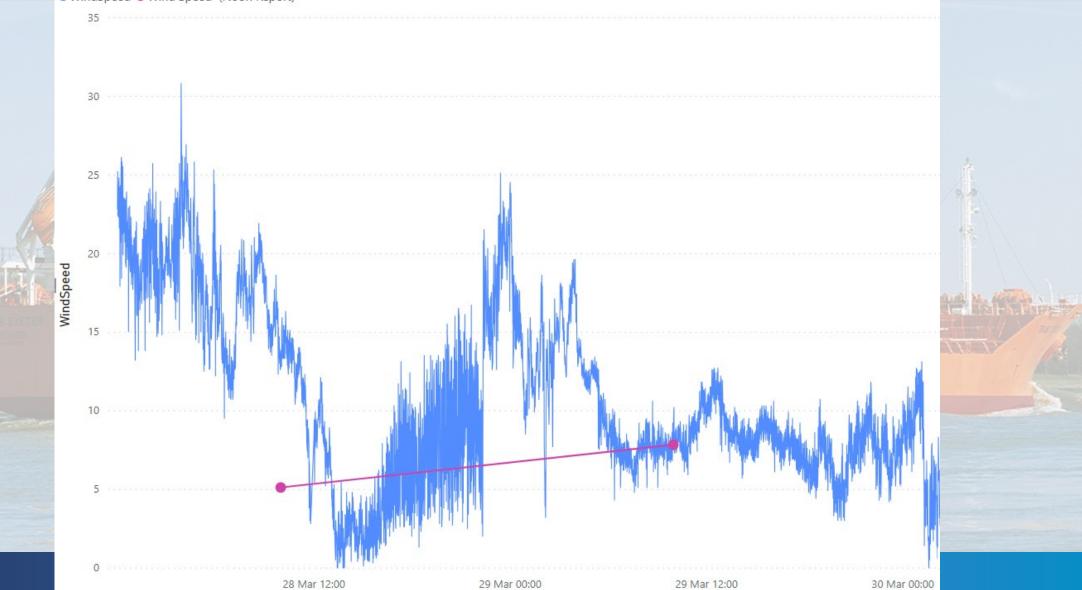
Decarbonization is on everybody's lips these days

 You can only go so far with manual reporting, like noon reports and similar

 Data of higher granularity enables more detailed analysis of (typically) emissions, laying the groundwork for emissions reduction

Data Granularity - visualized

WindSpeed Wind Speed (Noon Report)



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 How can one accurately calculate the effect of wind on the fuel performance of this voyage – if considering only the noon reported 5 and 8 knots?

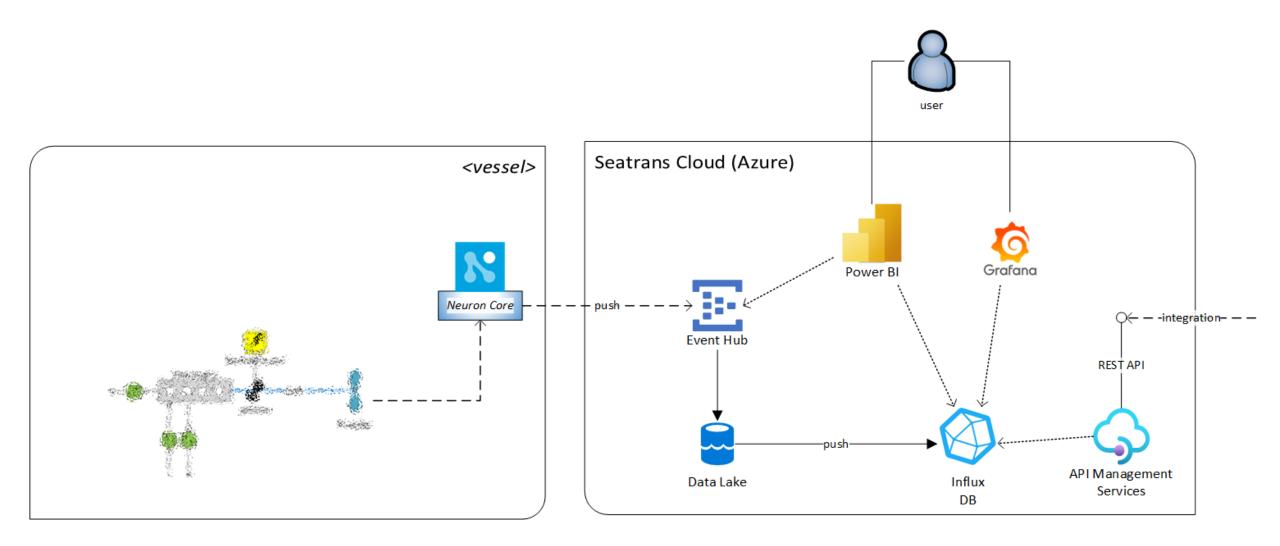
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Finding a solution

 Seatrans has a diverse fleet of vessels, often with different systems onboard

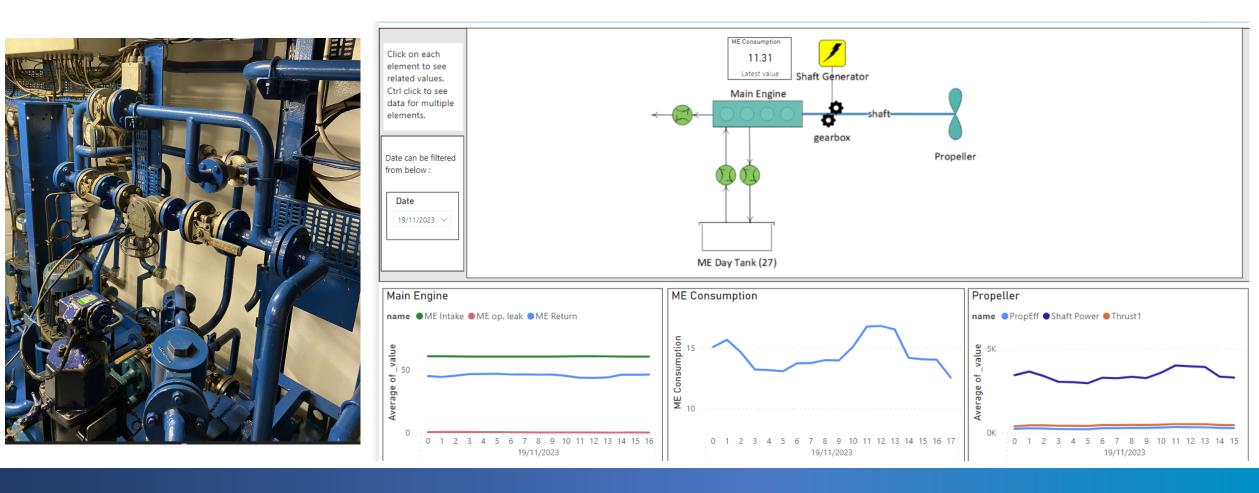
- A solution "as similar as possible" across vessels
- Avoiding proprieatry solution requiring specific hardware upgrades

Conceptual



Actual

• (...it doesn't have to be very complex to add value)



So it's really simple then?

• Yes and no

- The concept works for any time-series data, once it's all set up – but the difficulty of setting it up can vary greatly
- The value lies in the usage

Vessel IT

- Don't underestimate the importance of IT operations in a project like this
- Introducing new software, and possibly new cabling, onboard an older vessel is expected to provide challenges
- Even if the data isn't currently used, ensuring that it's actually captured means it can be used for "things we haven't thought about yet"

The crew

- Involving the crew is more important than you think they are valuable allies!
- Seatrans have been focusing on improving operational performance for many years, and the crew has a high tolerance for implementing improvements
- ...but limited tolerance for "even more manual reporting to be done"

Office-side adaption

- Focus on business needs
- Small deliverables

Summary

Retrofitting is a way to utilize modern tech on older vessels

 Gathering data can be valuable even if they're not immediately used

Expect challenges – and foucus on the needs results

Questions?

