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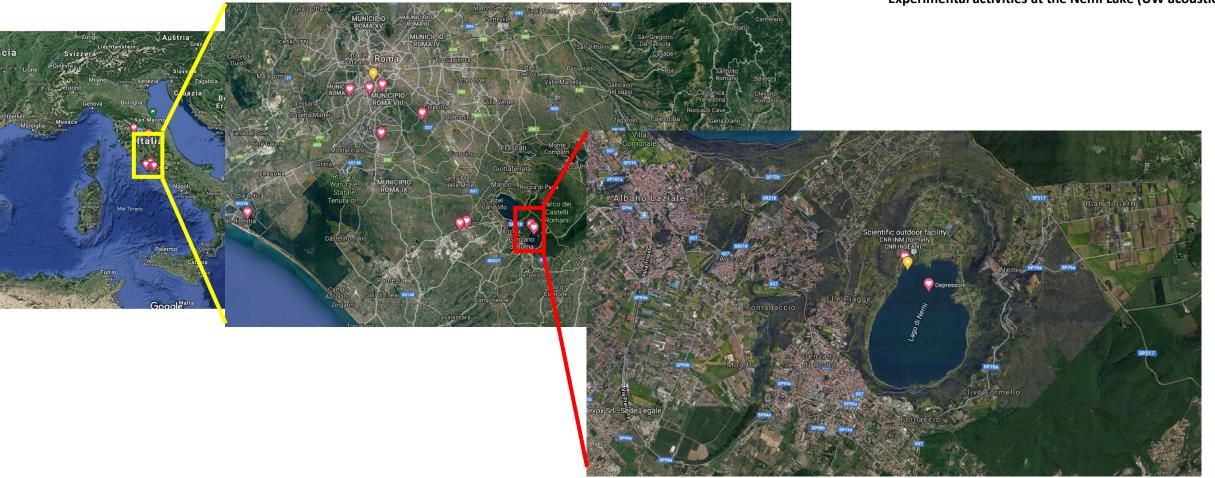
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The CNR-INM's outdoor facility on the volcanic lake of NEMI

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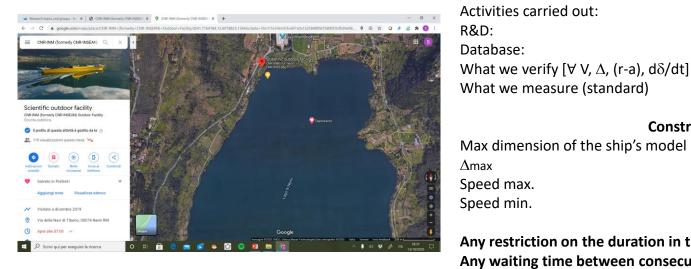


- Since 1937 is the Outdoor Maneuvring Basin at INSEAN
- Database of more than 5000 test carried out on more than 50 ship models manned
- From 1960 is part of the ITTC's (International Towing Tank Conference) catalog of facilities

R&D:

Database:

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Type of tests: Manoeuvrability/Controllability (IMO/ANEP) Free running self-propelled unmanned surface ship's models Metod. sperimentale: Sep-up of the methodology: 1998

Activities carried out: new ships, existing ships of the Italian Navy and other Navies

PNRM (Prossima, Prossima II), EDA (FLOWIS)

More than 10000 test carried out with unmanned ship's models

Rudder's effectiveness/efficiency (size, shape, position, etc.)

DGPS (xg, yg, speed), gyro (ψ , d ψ /dt), IMU (6 DOF), nr, Tr, Qr, nl, Tı, Qı, Q δ

Constrains on the size of the model and on the tests conditions

Max dimension of the ship's model 10m 1500 Kg Λ max Speed max. 10 m/s Speed min. 0.05 m/s

Any restriction on the duration in time of the single test (irrespective of the speed of the test) Any waiting time between consecutive tests (irrespective of the speed of the test)



The CNR-INM Outdoor Facility at the Lake of Nemi



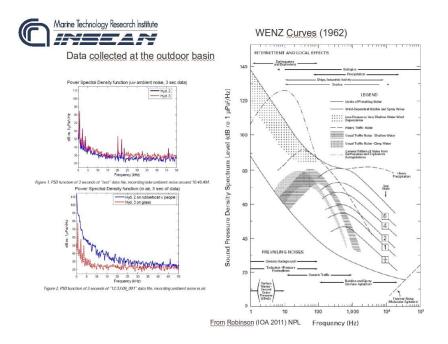


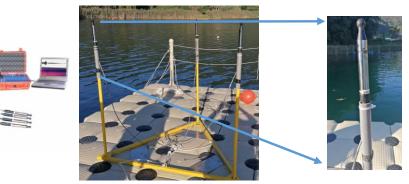
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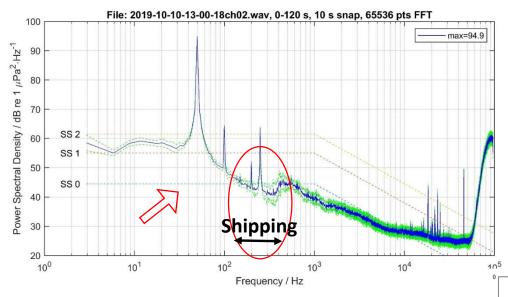


UW Noise measurements





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 $1m < depth < 11m \rightarrow \Delta T \cong 13$ °C

