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Fig. 1: The BSH crew from left to right: Simone Griesel, Ina Raschke, Anna E. Lau, Roswitha Velten, Sören Joswig, Klaus Becker, Holger Klein, Simon Tewes, Stefanie Schmied, Francisco (Kiko) de la Granda Grandoso und Peter Löwe.

Objectives and scientific background

The North Sea is a shallow shelf sea with a deep trough along the Norwegian coast with depth exceeding 700 m locally. Its physical status, primarily characterised by temperature and salinity, is to a large extent determined by the exchange of water masses with the Atlantic at its open northern boundary. There is also a link to the Atlantic via the English Channel which is important for the shallow southern North Sea. The Baltic Sea is linked to the North Sea via Skagerrak, Kattegat, Great and Little Belt, and The Sound. The Baltic outflow with its low saline water influences significantly the oceanographic conditions of the Skagerrak and Norwegian Coastal Current. Other drivers are inter alia continental river run-offs, the ocean-atmosphere heat exchange, and the rate of precipitation to evaporation.

All parameters exhibit a strong seasonal and/or inter-annual variability. Seasonal heating leads to the establishment of a seasonal thermocline between spring and end of August or midst of September with vertical gradients exceeding 3 K/m in most of the years. Strength and depth of the thermocline vary locally and from year to year. Near-bottom tidal mixing and wind induced mixing at the surface suppress stratification in areas shallower than 25 to 30 m. Stratified and vertically mixed areas are separated by so-called tidal mixing fronts.

In order to assess the physical and chemical state of the North Sea during summer the BSH started its North Sea Summer Surveys (NSSS) in 1998. They cover the entire North Sea with seven coast to coast east-west sections between 54° and 60°N and additional stations between 54°N and the entrance of the English Channel. The surveys were realised at a time when thermal stratification is expected to be at its maximum and phytoplankton production has passed its maximum. With the exception of the first survey in 1998 all surveys served a fixed grid of vertical CTD casts (see station without an A, B, or S in Fig. 1). Between the CTD-stations ship-mounted temperature-, salinity- and optical sensors provided data at about 4 m depth.

For the monitoring of artificial radio nuclides additional stations in the English Channel respectively in the Skagerrak are served alternately every second year.

The objective of the NSSSs is the assessment of the oceanographic and chemical state of the North Sea, the calculation of heat and salt budgets, and the identification of changes due to climate change. The data are also used for the validation of operational and climate models and for the calibration of satellite-based ocean colour data and downstream products (Secchi depth, turbidity, CDOM, chlorophyll-a) which are used for assessments and MSFD reporting. All NSSSs are listed in Table 1. Most of the data are available via the German Oceanographic Data Centre (DOD) and the MERis MAtchup In-situ Database MERMAID.¹

¹ http://www.bsh.de/en/Marine_data/Observations/DOD_Data_Centre/index.jsp
<http://hermes.acri.fr/mermaid/home/home.php>

| survey period | research vessel and cruise id | nominal distance [nm] | marine physics, oxygen, pH-value | nutrients, chlorophyll | organic contaminants | trace metals | artificial radio nuclides | air chemistry |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|--------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| 24.06.1998 – 16.07.1998 | R/V Gauss 317 | ~ 2600 | ● | ● | | | | |
| 02.07.1999 – 22.07.1999 | R/V Gauss 335 | ~ 2600 | ● | ● | | | | |
| 09.08.2000 – 23.08.2000 | R/V Gauss 353 | ~ 2600 | ● | ● | | | | |
| 11.07.2001 – 02.08.2001 | R/V Gauss 370 | ~ 2600 | ● | ● | | | | |
| 16.07.2002 – 31.07.2002 | R/V Gauss 385 | ~ 2600 | ● | ● | ● | | | |
| 28.07.2003 – 13.08.2003 | R/V Gauss 405 | ~ 2600 | ● | ● | ● | | | |
| 05.08.2004 – 20.08.2004 | R/V Gauss 425 | ~ 2600 | ● | ● | | ● | | |
| 10.08.2005 – 29.08.2005 | R/V Gauss 446 | ~ 2600 | ● | ● | ● | | ● | |
| 02.08.2006 – 20.08.2006 | R/V Gauss 463 | ~ 2600 | ● | ● | | ● | | |
| 03.08.2007 – 17.08.2007 | R/V Pelagia 273 | ~ 2600 | ● | ● | ● | | | |
| 21.07.2008 – 05.08.2008 | R/V Pelagia 293 | 2715 | ● | ● | | ● | | |
| 20.08.2009 – 09.09.2009 | R/V Pelagia 311 | 3610 | ● | ● | ● | | ● | |
| 04.08.2010 – 22.08.2010 | R/V Pelagia 323 | 3310 | ● | ● | | ● | ● | |
| 08.08.2011 – 28.08.2011 | R/V Celtic Explorer 11010 | 3220 | ● | ● | ● | | ● | |
| 07.08.2012 – 30.08.2012 | R/V Celtic Explorer 12011 | 3500 | ● | ● | | ● | ● | |
| 10.08.2013 – 04.09.2013 | R/V Celtic Explorer 13012 | 4090 | ● | ● | ● | | ● | |
| 01.08.2014 – 25.08.2014 | R/V Celtic Explorer 14012 | 3470 | ● | ● | | ● | ● | ● |
| 07.08.2015 – 30.08.2015 | R/V Celtic Explorer 15013 | 3580 | ● | ● | | | ● | ● |
| 03.08.2016 – 26.08.2016 | R/V Celtic Explorer 16011 | 4000 | ● | ● | ● | | ● | ● |
| 11.08.2017 – 03.09.2017 | R/V Celtic Explorer 17013 | 3600 | ● | ● | (●) | ● | ● | ● |

Table 1: BSH North Sea Summer Surveys 1998-2017.

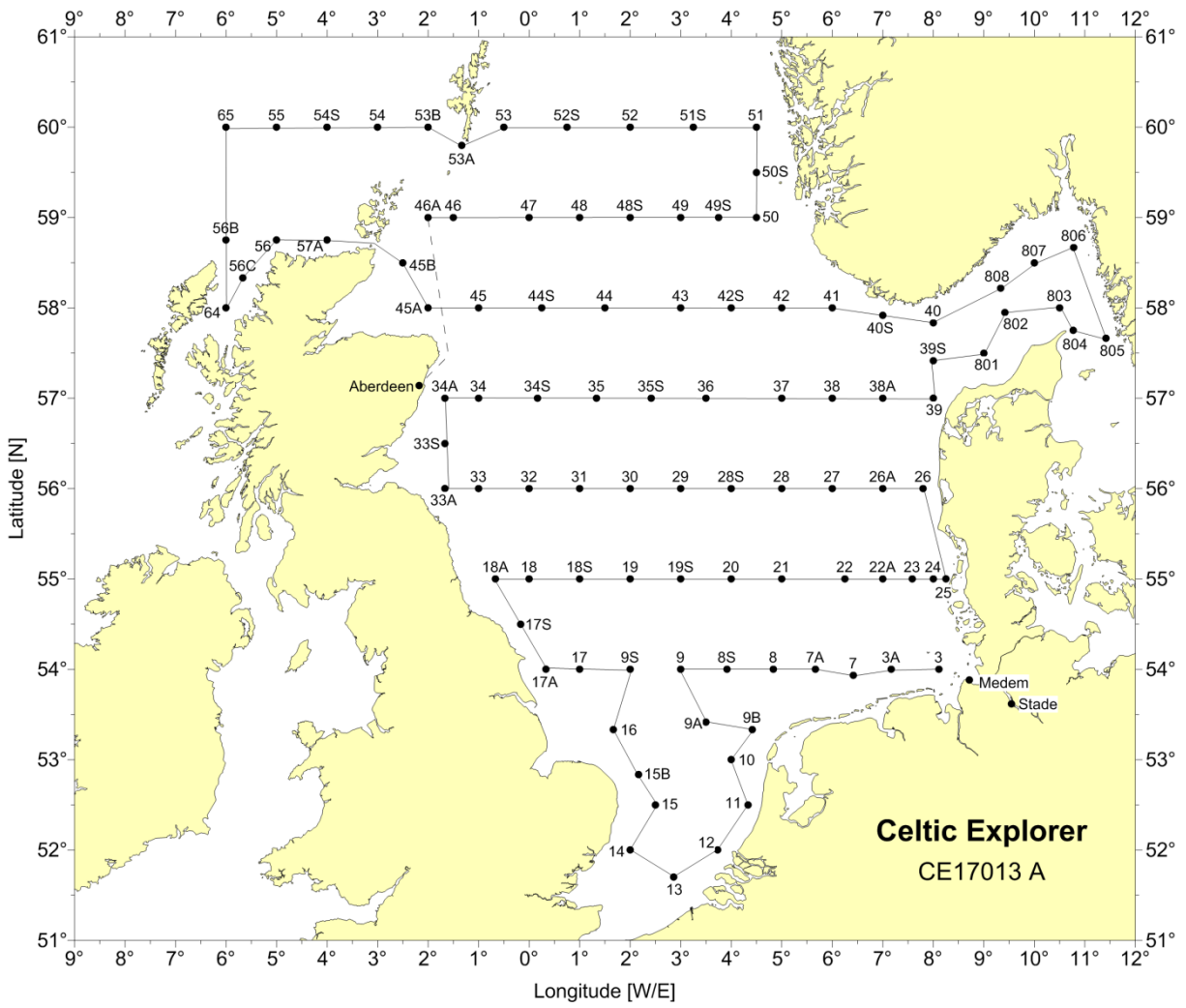


Fig. 2: Ship track and sampling stations.

Equipment and Methods

Marine Physics:

- Vertical CTD profiles (temperature, salinity, pressure, chlorophyll, turbidity, oxygen) and 10 l water samples at selected depths at all stations.

| instrument/sensor | typ | S/N | last calibration |
|--|--------------------------------|--------------|------------------|
| CTD S6 (Clean CTD) | SBE911+ | 09P56228 | |
| p-sensor | SBE9P | 1005 | 03.02.2014 |
| T-sensor | SBE3T | 5278 | 16.06.2017 |
| C-sensor | SBE4C | 3694 | 16.06.2017 |
| | | | |
| CTD S1 | SBE911+ | 09P21787 | |
| p-sensor | SBE9P | 577 | 03.02.2014 |
| T-sensor | SBE3T | 2584 | 16.06.2017 |
| C-sensor | SBE4C | 2886 | 16.06.2017 |
| | | | |
| CTD S2 (back-up system) | SBE911+ | 09P83014 | |
| p-sensor | SBE9P | 641 | 28.06.2011 |
| T-sensor | SBE3T | 5254 | 18.07.2016 |
| C-sensor | SBE4C | 3691 | 18.07.2016 |
| | | | |
| Deck Unit | SBE11+ | P31787-0526 | |
| Spare Deck Unit | SBE11+ | P25457-0585 | |
| O ₂ -sensor | SBE43 | 153 | 11.04.2017 |
| Fluorometer & Turbidity | WetlabECO | 4738 | 04.05.2017 |
| Altimeter | Benthos Teledyne | 978 | 14.03.2002 |
| Rosette Sampler S1 | 11 x Niskin 10 l | | |
| Rosette Sampler S6 (Clean CTD) | 10 x Niskin 10 l 8 x GoFlow | N7 | |
| | | | |
| Vessel mounted sensors: | | | |
| Thermosal | SBE21 | 2148425-3315 | July 2017 |
| Fluorimeter for turbidity and chlorophyll | 10 AU Turner | | July 2017 |

Nutrients:

- Oxygen determination according to Winkler-Carpenter by means of a SIS Dissolved Oxygen Analyser (DOA) with photometric end point determination at selected depths.
- Continuous pH determination via the sea water pipe.
- Continuous phosphate, silicate, nitrite, and nitrate determination by MiniMon via the sea water pipe and daily reference samples.
- Determination of the pH value (CTD samples and continuously).
- Determination of depth of visibility by means of a Secchi disk at daylight stations.
- Filtration of surface water samples and freezing of the glass fiber filters for the determination of chlorophyll according to Jeffrey and Humphrey after the cruise.
- The determination of alkalinity of sea water was not feasible due to a malfunction of the instrument. Only the first two stations could be sampled.

Radiochemistry:

- 2 x 35 l surface water for the extraction of strontium-90 after the cruise.
- One liter surface samples for the analysis of tritium after the cruise.
- 270 l samples taken at selected stations at great depths for the determination of strontium and tritium after the cruise and of cesium and transuranic elements on board.
- 100-150 l surface water samples for the on-board analysis of cesium-137 by means of an ion exchanger (KNiFC-PAN).
- 100 l surface water samples for the on-board analysis of transuranic elements.

Atmospheric Chemistry

- Continuous trace gas measurements of nitric oxides (NO_x , NO und NO_2), of sulphur dioxide (SO_2), ozone (O_3), and of carbon dioxide (CO_2) by means of Airpointer (Co. recordum/MLU, S/N: 2016-590).
- Remote sensing of NO_2 and SO_2 by MAX-DOAS measurements (Multi-axis Differential Optical Absorption Spectroscopy, Institute of Environmental Physics, University of Bremen, system of station Wedel).
- Monitoring of current AIS signals in order to relate measured increased concentrations to surrounding ships.

Organic Pollutants

- Determination of polar and non-polar organic and inorganic pollutants as, e.g. pesticides, chlorinated hydrocarbons (CHC), polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) and trace metals in sediment cores and sediment pore water (Project NOAH-Synthesis).

Trace Metals:

- Determination of metal concentrations in sea water and suspended matter. Sampling via Clean CTD with GoFlo sampler or MERCOS sampler with plastic covered wire.

Container Plan for leg a & b

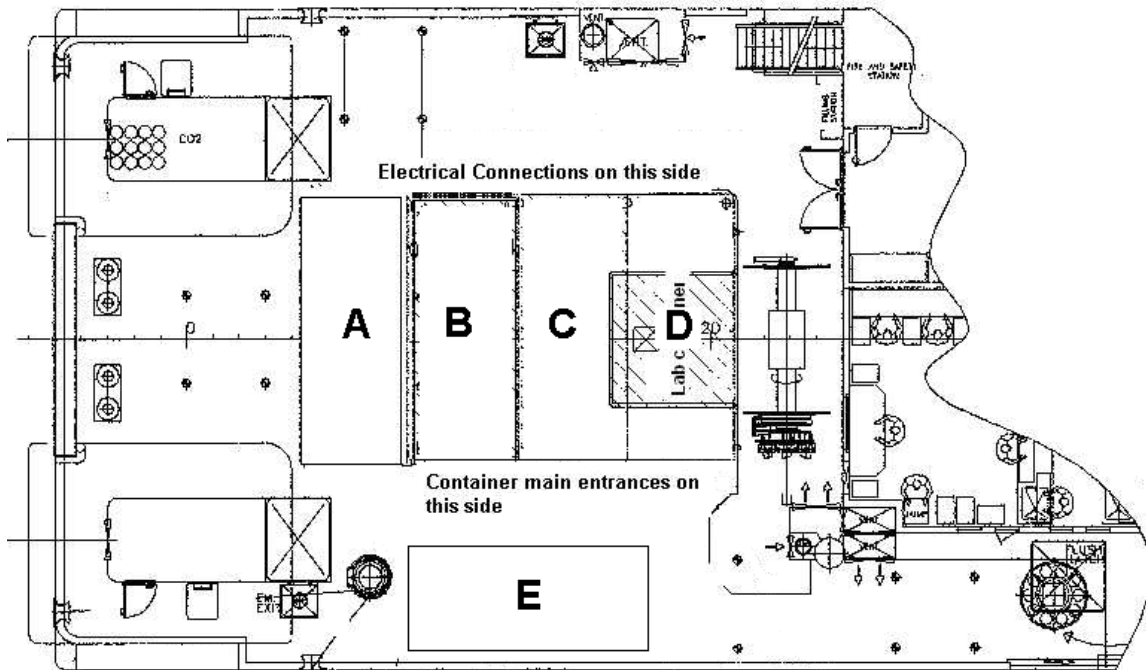


Fig. 3: Container plan Celtic Explorer

| | container type | weight | power supply | used on leg |
|---|---|--------|--------------|-------------|
| A | Four 600 l drums for nutrients and calibration lab | | | 1 |
| B | Bottom: 20" M33 lab container, height 3.1 m (HM) | 9 | 2 x 32 A | 2 |
| B | Top: - | | | |
| C | Bottom: 20" Transport and store container | 5 t | - | 1&2 |
| C | Top: 10" 10" Store container for marine chemistry | 2 t | - | 2 |
| D | Bottom: 20" M32 lab container for radioactivity, fresh- and sea water | 5 t | 32 A | 1 |
| D | | | | |
| E | 20" Transport container radioactivity | 9 t | - | 1 |
| F | - | | | |

F: Bow position

Diary

Time: UTC

↓ Specifications regarding fixed stations, ship stops for vertical CTD profiles and water sampling.

W&S Weather & Sea: T_A = air temperature, T_W = water temperature at 4 m depth
 T_W and salinity data are raw data from the ships thermosal SBE 21.

| Definition Cloud Cover | Category |
|--|---------------|
| 0/8 Sky clear | fine |
| 1/8 of sky covered or less, but not zero | fine |
| 2/8 of sky covered | fine |
| 3/8 of sky covered | partly cloudy |
| 4/8 of sky covered | partly cloudy |
| 5/8 of sky covered | partly cloudy |
| 6/8 of sky covered | cloudy |
| 7/8 of sky covered or more, but not 8/8 | cloudy |
| 8/8 of sky completely covered, no breaks | overcast |

RA Radioactivity, sea water samples are taken for the following artificial nuclides: Cs-137 = cesium-137; Sr-90 = strontium-90; H-3 = tritium, Pu = plutonium, Am = americium, Cm = curium. If no samplers are used, samples are taken from the Seawater pipe. KNiFC-PAN = 100 liter sea water samples for the determination of cesium-137 by Potassium-Nickel Hexacyanoferrate.

T Neuston trawl for for visible pollutions (e.g. paraffin wax and vegetable oils) at 3 kn speed.

Watch table marine physics:

00-04/12-16: Francisco (Kiko)

04-08/16-20: Peter

08-12/20-00: Sören

Watch table nutrients:

08-20: Roswitha

Watch table radioactivity:

00-12: Steffi

12-00: Klaus

Friday, August 11th, 2017

- 07:30** Arrival of the science crew at Celtic Explorer. Berth: Schuppen 62, Süd-West-Terminal, Am Kamerunkai 5, 20457 Hamburg.
- 11:00** Arrival of containers and equipment and mobilisation by use of the local crane.
- 14:45** Container loading and crane assistance is finished.
Preparation of dry and wet labs and installation of sensor systems.
- 15:00** Security instructions by the second mate Barry Hooper.

Saturday, August 12th, 2017

06:30 Sailing.

↓ **08:17 – 08:35 Station STADE:**

RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm. GoFlow sampler for Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 2-3, 230°, 1011 hPa, $T_A = 14.8$ °C, overcast.

↓ **11:48 – 12:05 Station MEDEM:**

RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm. GoFlow sampler for Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 4, 230°, 1010 hPa, $T_A = 16.0$ °C, overcast.

↓ **14:46 - 15:08 Station GN003/ELBE1:**

Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients.

RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.

W&S: Bft. 5-6, 300°, 1008 hPa, $T_A = 18.4$ °C, cloudy, $T_w = 18.6$ °C, $S = 32.84$ psu.

15:50: Muster Station exercise.

T 17:35 – 17:55 Neuston trawl for micro plastic (ViPo 76):

Start: 54° 00.34' N; 007° 24.99' E

End: 54° 00.80' N; 007° 23.30' E

↓ **18:50 – 19:06 Station GN003A:**

CTD profile with rosette sampler, RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.

W&S: Bft. 4-5, 280°, 1012 hPa, $T_A = 18.0$ °C, cloudy, $T_w = 18.9$ °C, $S = 33.33$ psu.

↓ **22:08 – 22:23 Station GN007 (Borkumriffgrund):**

CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.

W&S: Bft. 5, 300°, 1014 hPa, $T_A = 17.8$ °C, cloudy, $T_w = 19.2$ °C, $S = 34.18$ psu.

Sunday, August, 13th, 2017

↓ **01:21 – 01:37 Station GN007A:**

CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.

W&S: Bft. 3-4, 340°, 1016 hPa, $T_A = 16.4$ °C, $T_w = 18.5$ °C, $S = 34.57$ psu.

↓ **04:31 – 05:15 Station GN008:**

Secchi depth, Clean-CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137.
Trace metals.

W&S: Bft. 4, 340°, 1016 hPa, $T_A = 16.5$ °C, fine, $T_w = 18.5$ °C, $S = 34.57$ psu.

No samples for Bedford No. 175013, Niskin bottle didn't closed.

- ↓ **08:38 – 08:53 Station GN008S:**
 Secchi depth and CTD profile with rosette sampler
W&S: Bft. 2, 350°, 1020 hPa, $T_A = 19.9$ °C, fine, $T_w = 17.5$ °C, $S = 34.46$ psu.
- ↓ **12:24 – 13:20 Station GN009 (Outer Well Bank):**
 Secchi depth, Clean-CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm. Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 1-2, 230°, 1021 hPa, $T_A = 18.7$ °C, fine, $T_w = 17.5$ °C, $S = 34.42$ psu.
 Three CTD casts due to problems with the automatic pressure release for opening the GoFlow bottles at 10 m depth. Last cast (used for sampling) was taken with open GoFlow samplers.
 There is a pressure off-set of +2.47 dbar at the S6 pressure sensor.
- T **14:09 – 14:54 Neuston trawl for micro plastic (ViPo 77):**
 Start: 53° 56.39' N; 003° 10.00' E
 End: 53° 55.40' N; 003° 12.58' E
- ↓ **19:07 – 19:20 Station GN009A:**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 2, 160°, 1022 hPa, $T_A = 17.2$ °C, fine, $T_w = 19.2$ °C, $S = 34.13$ psu.
 Due to strong traffic and strong tidal currents the position was slightly shifted to the SW.
- ↓ **22:36 – 22:53 Station GN009B:**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 4-5, 130°, 1022 hPa, $T_A = 17.4$ °C, $T_w = 18.9$ °C, $S = 34.75$ psu.

Monday, August 14th, 2017

- ↓ **01:27 – 01:39 Station GN010 (west of Den Helder):**
 Clean-CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137. Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 4, 140°, 1020 hPa, $T_A = 17.2$ °C, fine, $T_w = 18.6$ °C, $S = 34.91$ psu.
- ↓ **05:05 – 05:16 Station GN011 (west of Ijmuiden):**
 Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 4, 170°, 1020 hPa, $T_A = 17.1$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 19.5$ °C, $S = 34.89$ psu.
- ↓ **10:17 – 10:36 Station GN012 (west of Hoek van Holland):**
 Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm. Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 2, 80°, 1019 hPa, $T_A = 21.7$ °C, fine, $T_w = 20.0$ °C, $S = 34.44$ psu.
- ↓ **13:59 – 14:14 Station GN013 (Rabsbank):**
 Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm. Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 2, 120°, 1017 hPa, $T_A = 20.5$ °C, fine, $T_w = 19.2$ °C, $S = 34.99$ psu.
- T **16:33 – 17:20 Neuston trawl for micro plastic (ViPo 78):**
 Start: 51° 55.56' N; 002° 22.27' E
 End: 51° 57.00' N; 002° 19.31' E

- ↓ **18:47 - 19:05 Station GN014 (Outer Gabbard):**
 Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm. Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 3, 140°, 1016 hPa, $T_A = 18.7$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 18.9$ °C, S = 35.01 psu.
- ↓ **22:17 – 22:35 Station GN015 (east of Lowestoft):**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 2-3, 160°, 1015 hPa, $T_A = 19.0$ °C, $T_w = 19.1$ °C, S = 34.82 psu

Tuesday, August 15th, 2017

- ↓ **01:16 – 01:28 Station GN015B:**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 3-4, 160°, 1013 hPa, $T_A = 18.0$ °C, $T_w = 18.0$ °C, S = 34.10 psu
- ↓ **05:17 – 05:34 Station GN016 (Haddock Bank):**
 Secchi depth, Clean-CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm. Nutrients. Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 2-3, 230°, 1013 hPa, $T_A = 16.5$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 16.5.0$ °C, S = 34.34 psu.
- ↓ **09:53 – 10:05 Station GN009S (Outer Silver Pit):**
 Secci depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler.
W&S: Bft. 4, 230°, 1013 hPa, $T_A = 18.0$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 16.8$ °C, S = 34.54 psu.
- ↓ **14:04 – 14:20 Station GN017 (east of Flamborough Head):**
 Secchi depth, Clean-CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137. Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 3-4, 210°, 1013 hPa, $T_A = 17.5$ °C, fine, $T_w = 15.6$ °C, S = 34.33 psu.
- T **15:03 – 15:43 Neuston trawl for micro plastic (ViPo 79):**
 Start: 54° 00.08' N; 000° 48.34' E
 End: 54° 00.54' N; 000° 45.22' E
- ↓ **17:18 – 17:33 Station GN017A:**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 3-4, 290°, 1015 hPa, $T_A = 17.6$ °C, fine, $T_w = 15.2$ °C, S = 34.13 psu.
- ↓ **21:16 – 21:28 Station GN0017S:**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler.
W&S: Bft. 4, 250°, 1017 hPa, $T_A = 15.4$ °C, $T_w = 15.4$ °C, S = 34.35 psu.

Wednesday, August 16th, 2017

- ↓ **01:07 – 01:20 Station GN018A:**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 3-4, 240°, 1017 hPa, $T_A = 14.8$ °C, fine, $T_w = 15.3$ °C, S = 34.42 psu.
- ↓ **03:40 – 03:59 Station GN018 (Baymans Hole):**
 Clean-CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137. Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 2-3, 230°, 1017 hPa, $T_A = 14.6$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 16.0$ °C, S = 34.50 psu.

- ↓ **07:31 – 07:45 Station GN0018S (Bruceys Garden):**
Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler.
W&S: Bft. 3, 200°, 1018 hPa, $T_A = 16.2$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 16.1$ °C, $S = 34.40$ psu.
- ↓ **11:16 – 11:34 Station GN0019 (Doggerbank):**
Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm. Nutrients.
W&S: Bft. 3, 180°, 1019 hPa, $T_A = 16.8$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 16.7$ °C, $S = 34.50$ psu
- ↓ **14:57 – 15:21 Station GN0019S:**
Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler.
W&S: Bft. 4-5, 170°, 1018 hPa, $T_A = 19.0$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 17.5$ °C, $S = 34.63$ psu.
- T **16:34 – 17:16 Neuston trawl for micro plastic (ViPo 80):**
Start: 55° 00.02' N; 003° 19.23' E
End: 55° 00.29' N; 003° 22.08' E
- ↓ **19:37 – 19:52 Station GN020 (east of Doggerbank):**
Clean-CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137. Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 4-5, 180°, 1017 hPa, $T_A = 16.2$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 17.8$ °C, $S = 34.69$ psu.
- ↓ **23:29 – 23:41 Station GN021/AWZW2 (Nordschillgrund):**
CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 4-5, 180°, 1016 hPa, $T_A = 18.5$ °C, $T_w = 17.8$ °C, $S = 34.47$ psu

Thursday, August 17th, 2017

- ↓ **03:58 – 04:14 Station GN022 (Weiße Bank):**
CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 5, 180°, 1014 hPa, $T_A = 18.6$ °C, overcast, $T_w = 18.1$ °C, $S = 34.36$ psu.
- ↓ **07:01 – 07:16 Station GN022A:**
Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 4-5, 160°, 1014 hPa, $T_A = 18.4$ °C, overcast, $T_w = 18.1$ °C, $S = 33.86$ psu.
- ↓ **09:31 – 09:45 Station GN023:**
Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 5, 150°, 1012 hPa, $T_A = 19.3$ °C, overcast, $T_w = 18.5$ °C, $S = 32.27$ psu.
- ↓ **11:35 – 12:17 Station GN024:**
Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. Two CTD casts because one bottle was not closed correctly. A first test of the HZG multi-corer was successful.
W&S: Bft. 4-5, 190°, 1012 hPa, $T_A = 19.1$ °C, overcast, rain, $T_w = 18.9$ °C, $S = 31.22$ psu.
- ↓ **13:15 – 13:33 Station GN025 (west of Sylt):**
CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 5, 220°, 1012 hPa, $T_A = 17.9$ °C, overcast, rain, $T_w = 19.1$ °C, $S = 30.48$ psu.

- ↓ **21:08 – 21:25 Station GN026 (west of Lyngvik):**
Clean-CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm. Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 4, 240°, 1009 hPa, $T_A = 17.6$ °C, overcast, $T_w = 11.1$ °C, S = 32.30 psu.

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- ↓ **00:33 – 00:49 Station GN026A:**
Clean-CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm. Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 2-3, 220°, 1009 hPa, $T_A = 17.6$ °C, $T_w = 17.5$ °C, S = 33.77 psu.
- ↓ **04:26 – 04:40 Station GN027:**
CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 3-4, 180°, 1007 hPa, $T_A = 17.2$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 17.2$ °C, S = 34.57 psu.
- ↓ **08:14 – 08:29 Station GN028:**
Clean-CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137. Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 4, 200°, 1005 hPa, $T_A = 18.2$ °C, cloudy, $T_w = 16.9$ °C, S = 34.83 psu.
- ↓ **12:12 – 12:25 Station GN028S:**
Secchi depth and CTD profile with rosette sampler.
W&S: Bft. 6, 230°, 1004 hPa, $T_A = 17.6$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 17.0$ °C, S = 34.77 psu.
- T **12:26 – 12:56 Neuston trawl for micro plastic (ViPo 81):**
Start: 55° 59.96' N; 003° 59.83' E
End: 55° 59.99' N; 003° 36.36' E
- ↓ **17:09 – 17:27 Station GN029:**
Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 5, 220°, 1004 hPa, $T_A = 16.9$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 16.7$ °C, S = 34.78 psu.
- ↓ **21:54 – 22:11 Station GN030:**
Clean-CTD profile with rosette sampler RA: Cs-137. Trace metals.
W&S: Bft6, 240°, 1004 hPa, $T_A = 16.2$ °C, $T_w = 16.3$ °C, S = 34.77 psu.

Saturday, August 19th, 2017

- ↓ **04:19 – 04:44 Station GN031:**
CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 6-7, 280°, 1003 hPa, $T_A = 15.4$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 16.2$ °C, S = 34.70 psu.
- ↓ **10:53 – 11:05 Station GN032:**
Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 5-6, 260°, 1006 hPa, $T_A = 16.0$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 15.9$ °C, S = 34.58 psu.

- ↓ **15:30 – 15:44 Station GN033 (east of Firth of Forth):**
 Clean-CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137. Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 4-5, 260°, 1007 hPa, $T_A = 16.3$ °C, cloudy, $T_w = 14.7$ °C, $S = 34.59$ psu.
- ↓ **18:30 – 18:45 Station GN033A:**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 6, 290°, 1009 hPa, $T_A = 15.6$ °C cloudy, $T_w = 13.9$ °C, $S = 34.38$ psu.
- ↓ **22:01 – 22:11 Station GN0033S (Marr Bank):**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler.
W&S: Bft. 5, 280°, 1011 hPa, $T_A = 14.6$ °C, $T_w = 13.3$ °C, $S = 34.63$ psu.

Sunday, August 20th, 2017

- ↓ **01:37 – 01:52 Station GN034A:**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 3-4, 290°, 1013 hPa, $T_A = 14.2$ °C, $T_w = 13.9$ °C, $S = 34.69$ psu.
- ↓ **04:07 – 04:26 Station GN034 (Aberdeen Bank):**
 Secchi depth, Clean-CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137.
 Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 4-5, 280°, 1014 hPa, $T_A = 14.2$ °C, cloudy, $T_w = 13.7$ °C, $S = 34.77$ psu.
- ↓ **08:19 – 08:33 Station GN0034S:**
 Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler.
W&S: Bft. 5-6, 310°, 1016 hPa, $T_A = 14.5$ °C, cloudy, $T_w = 15.3$ °C, $S = 34.79$ psu.
- ↓ **13:00 – 13:13 Station GN035 (Coal Pitt):**
 Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 5-6, 320°, 1018 hPa, $T_A = 15.6$ °C, cloudy, $T_w = 15.5$ °C, $S = 34.81$ psu.

13:15 – 16:00 Two 600 litre containers have been flushed and filled with sea water for the nutrient lab.
- ↓ **17:04 – 17:22 Station GN0035S:**
 Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler.
W&S: Bft. 5-6, 320°, 1019 hPa, $T_A = 15.0$ °C, cloudy, $T_w = 15.9$ °C, $S = 34.80$ psu.
- ↓ **21:12 – 21:33 Station GN036:**
 Clean-CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm. Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 5, 320°, 1019 hPa, $T_A = 15.2$ °C, $T_w = 16.1$ °C, $S = 34.73$ psu.

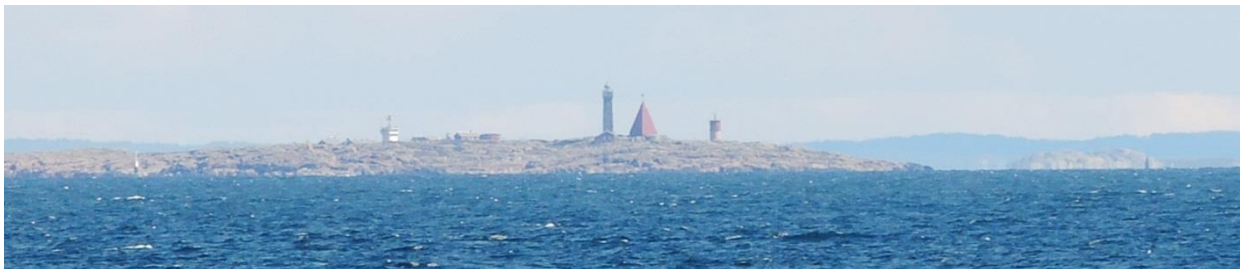
The outer blue plastic cover of the Clean-CTD cable was damaged during deployment ca. 1 m above the CTD. The cover was sealed with two layers of selfbonding tape and a second cover of Scotch tape.

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- ↓ **02:49 – 03:05 Station GN037 (Große Fischerbank):**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 6, 320°, 1019 hPa, $T_A = 14.5$ °C, $T_w = 16.5$ °C, $S = 34.72$ psu.

- ↓ **06:37 – 06:54 Station GN038 (Kleine Fischerbank):**
 Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137.
 Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 5-6, 320°, 1019 hPa, $T_A = 15.8$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 16.5$ °C, $S = 34.59$ psu.
- ↓ **10:12 – 10:34 Station GN038A:**
 Secchi depth and CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 5-6, 310°, 1019 hPa, $T_A = 16.0$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 15.9$ °C, $S = 34.63$ psu.
- ↓ **14:04 – 14:23 Station GN039 (east of Jyske Rev):**
 Clean-CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm. Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 5-6, 310°, 1018 hPa, $T_A = 16.7$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 17.0$ °C, $S = 33.91$ psu.
- ↓ **18:06 – 18:20 Station GN039S:**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler.
W&S: Bft. 6-7, 290°, 1017 hPa, $T_A = 15.8$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 16.8$ °C, $S = 30.10$ psu.
- ↓ **21:43 – 22:07 Station GN801:**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler and MERCOS sampler for trace metals.
 RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 5, 300°, 1016 hPa, $T_A = 16.4$ °C, $T_w = 16.8$ °C, $S = 34.06$ psu.

Tuesday, August 22nd, 2017



Skagerrak, Swedish coast

- ↓ **02:59 – 03:53 Station GN802:**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm. Multicorer for eight bottom samples.
W&S: Bft. 4, 30°, 1018 hPa, $T_A = 16.8$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 17.1$ °C, $S = 29.20$ psu.
- ↓ **07:25 – 07:44 Station GN803:**
 Secchi, CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 4, 30°, 1019 hPa, $T_A = 16.5$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 17.4$ °C, $S = 28.53$ psu.
- ↓ **09:43 – 10:14 Station GN804:**
 Secchi, CTD profile with rosette sampler and MERCOS sampler for trace metals.
 RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm. Trace metals.
W&S: Bft. 2, 10°, 1019 hPa, $T_A = 16.7$ °C, fine, $T_w = 17.2$ °C, $S = 24.30$ psu.

- ↓ **12:28 – 13:13 Station GN805:**
 Secchi, CTD profile with rosette sampler and MERCOS sampler for trace metals.
 RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 3, 350°, 1019 hPa, $T_A = 20.0$ °C, fine, $T_w = 18.1$ °C, $S = 27.59$ psu.
- ↓ **20:29 – 20:45 Station GN806:**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 4, 30°, 1020 hPa, $T_A = 16.8$ °C, fine, $T_w = 17.8$ °C, $S = 24.66$ psu.
- ↓ **23:22 – 00:25 Station GN807:**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler and MERCOS sampler for trace metals.
 RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 3, 70°, 1020 hPa, $T_A = 16.4$ °C, $T_w = 17.4$ °C, $S = 28.95$ psu.

Wednesday, August 23rd, 2017

- ↓ **03:15 – 07:47 Station GN808:**
 Secchi, CTD profile with rosette sampler and MERCOS sampler for trace metals.
 RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm, two yellow bottles a' 270 L at 108 and 263 m depth. Multicorer for eight bottom samples.
W&S: Bft. 2, 190°, 1020 hPa, $T_A = 16.2$ °C, fine, $T_w = 16.9$ °C, $S = 34.40$ psu.
- ↓ **12:31 – 14:37 Station GN040 (Skagerrak):**
 Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler and MERCOS sampler for trace metals. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm. Nutrients. Multicorer for eight bottom samples and one gravity corer sample.
W&S: Bft. 2, 220°, 1019 hPa, $T_A = 16.6$ °C, fine, $T_w = 17.9$ °C, $S = 29.36$ psu.
- ↓ **17:38 – 18:13 Station GN040S (south off Lindesnes):**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler.
W&S: Bft. 0-1, 100°, 1016 hPa, $T_A = 16.8$ °C, fine, $T_w = 17.8$ °C, $S = 30.48$ psu.
- T **18:16 – 18:46 Neuston trawl for micro plastic (ViPo 82):**
 Start: 57° 55.35' N; 006° 59.42' E
 End: 57° 55.64' N; 006° 56.23' E
- ↓ **21:42 – 22:23 Station GN041 (west of Lindesnes):**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler, nutrients and MERCOS for trace metals. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 3, 130°, 1014 hPa, $T_A = 16.2$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 16.9$ °C, $S = 32.20$ psu.

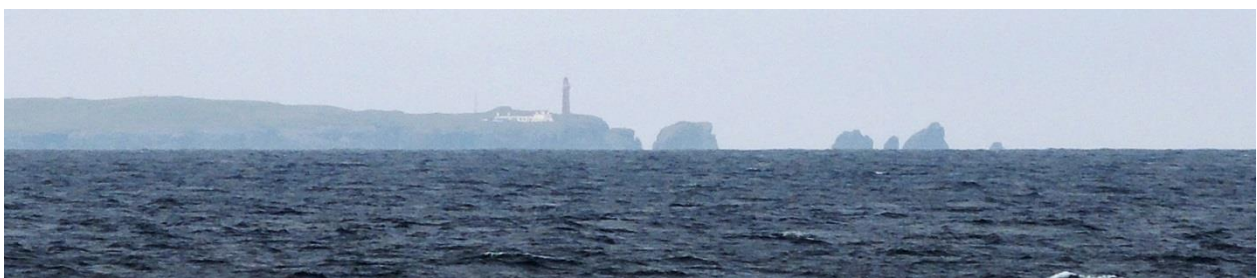
Thursday, August 24th, 2017

- ↓ **01:46 – 02:15 Station GN042 (Eigersundbank):**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler, nutrients and MERCOS for trace metals. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 3, 130°, 1012 hPa, $T_A = 15.3$ °C, $T_w = 16.4$ °C, $S = 31.43$ psu.
- ↓ **05:24 – 05:40 Station GN0042S:**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler.
W&S: Bft. 4-5, 110°, 1008 hPa, $T_A = 15.2$ °C, overcast, $T_w = 15.1$ °C, $S = 34.94$ psu.

- ↓ **09:00 – 09:12 Station GN043 (Lingbank East):**
 Secchi, CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 3, 100°, 1017 hPa, $T_A = 15.7$ °C, fog, $T_w = 15.4$ °C, $S = 34.77$ psu.
- ↓ **14:09 – 14:36 Station GN044 (Lingbank West):**
 Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler, nutrients and MERCOS for trace metals. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 4-5, 290°, 1008 hPa, $T_A = 15.2$ °C, cloudy, $T_w = 14.8$ °C, $S = 35.08$ psu.
- T **19:00 – 19:30 Neuston trawl for micro plastic (ViPo 83):**
 Start: 57° 59.97' N; 000° 49.20' E
 End: 58° 00.32' N; 000° 47.25' E
- ↓ **19:27 – 19:44 Station GN0044S:**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler.
W&S: Bft. 4, 280°, 1010 hPa, $T_A = 15.2$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 14.9$ °C, $S = 35.03$ psu.

Friday, August 25st, 2017

- ↓ **00:04 – 00:30 Station GN045 (east of South Bank):**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler and MERCOS for trace metals.
 RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 1, variable, 1011 hPa, $T_A = 14.1$ °C, $T_w = 14.2$ °C, $S = 35.04$ psu.
- ↓ **03:49 – 04:10 Station GN045A (West Bank):**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 2-3, 70°, 1011 hPa, $T_A = 12.9$ °C, $T_w = 14.0$ °C, $S = 34.86$ psu.
- ↓ **09:19 – 09:35 Station GN045B (east of Pentland Firth):**
 Secchi, CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 3, 90°, 1013 hPa, $T_A = 12.2$ °C, overcast, $T_w = 13.4$ °C, $S = 34.88$ psu.
- T **09:40 – 10:12 Neuston trawl for micro plastic (ViPo 84):**
 Start: 58° 30.16' N; 002° 30.25' W
 End: 58° 30.78' N; 002° 32.49' W
- ↓ **16:27 – 16:44 Station GN057A:**
 Secchi depth and CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 4, 90°, 1013 hPa, $T_A = 14.3$ °C, cloudy, $T_w = 13.8$ °C, $S = 34.77$ psu.
- ↓ **19:45 – 20:14 Station GN056 (Cape Wrath):**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler, nutrients and MERCOS for trace metals.
 RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 5, 90°, 1013 hPa, $T_A = 14.1$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 13.8$ °C, $S = 34.59$ psu.



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Saturday, August 26th, 2017

- ↓ **00:01 – 00:17 Station GN056C (North Minch):**
CTD profile with rosette sampler RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 2, 80°, 1013 hPa, $T_A = 13.9$ °C, $T_w = 14.7$ °C, S = 34.61 psu.
- ↓ **02:42 – 03:11 Station GN064 (Shiant East Bank):**
CTD profile with rosette sampler and MERCOS for trace metals.
RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 1, variable, 1013 hPa, $T_A = 14.4$ °C, $T_w = 13.8$ °C, S = 34.60 psu.
- ↓ **08:05 – 08:21 Station GN056B (Sulisker Bank South):**
Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 3, 90°, 1014 hPa, $T_A = 14.4$ °C, overcast, $T_w = 16.6$ °C, S = 34.92 psu.



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- T **08:26 – 08:56 Neuston trawl for micro plastic (ViPo 85):**
Start: 58° 45.20' N; 005° 59.97' W
End: 58° 46.21' N; 005° 59.99' W
- ↓ **16:26 – 19:45 Station GN065 (Færoe Bank Channel):**
Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler and MERCOS for trace metals.
RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm (5 Yellow Bottles a' 270 L!).
W&S: Bft. 2-3, 160°, 1014 hPa, $T_A = 13.9$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 14.0$ °C, S = 35.21 psu.

No samples for Bedford No. 175229 and 175231, Niskin bottles didn't closed.
- ↓ **22:48 – 23:27 Station GN055**
CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 4-5, 150°, 1014 hPa, $T_A = 13.4$ °C, $T_w = 13.8$ °C, S = 35.22 psu.

Sunday, August 27th, 2017

- ↓ **02:29 – 02:46 Station GN0054S:**
CTD profile with rosette sampler.
W&S: Bft. 4, 170°, 1013 hPa, $T_A = 13.3$ °C, $T_w = 16.1$ °C, S = 35.22 psu.
- ↓ **05:56 – 06:23 Station GN054 (Otter Bank):**
Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler, nutrients and MERCOS for trace metals. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 4, 180°, 1013 hPa, $T_A = 13.9$ °C, cloudy, $T_w = 13.5$ °C, S = 35.08 psu.

Between GN54 and GN053B: Filling two 600 l containers with surface sea water samples for calibration lab.

- ↓ **09:42 – 09:53 Station GN053B (Foula Bank):**
 Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 3, 190°, 1013 hPa, $T_A = 13.7$ °C, overcast. $T_w = 12.4$ °C, S = 35.19 psu.
- ↓ **12:22 – 12:34 Station GN053A (Sumburgh Head):**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 5, 190°, 1013 hPa, $T_A = 14.1$ °C, cloudy, $T_w = 14.2$ °C, S = 35.15 psu.
- T **12:40 – 13:13 Neuston trawl for micro plastic (ViPo 86):**
 Start: 59° 47.99' N; 001° 18.86' W
 End: 59° 49.33' N; 001° 13.65' W
- ↓ **15:38 – 16:13 Station GN053 (E-lich Shetlands):**
 Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients.
 RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 4, 210°, 1012 hPa, $T_A = 14.1$ °C, overcast, $T_w = 14.1$ °C, S = 35.17 psu.
 No samples for Bedford No. 175245, Niskin bottle didn't closed.
- ↓ **23:43 – 23:57 Station GN0052S:**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler.
W&S: Bft. 4-5, 180°, 1012 hPa, $T_A = 14.4$ °C, $T_w = 14.3$ °C, S = 35.16 psu.

Monday, August 28th, 2017

- ↓ **00:06 – 00:32 Station GN052 (Bergen Bank):**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler, nutrients and MERCOS for trace metals.
 RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 4-5, 190°, 1011 hPa, $T_A = 14.6$ °C, $T_w = 14.7$ °C, S = 34.96 psu.
- ↓ **04:26 – 04:50 Station GN0051S:**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler.
W&S: Bft. 6, 170°, 1010 hPa, $T_A = 14.8$ °C, overcast, $T_w = 14.4$ °C, S = 34.98 psu.
- ↓ **10:13 – 10:48 Station GN051 (west of Selbjørnsfjord):**
 Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler, nutrients and MERCOS for trace metals. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 6, 180°, 1010 hPa, $T_A = 15.0$ °C, overcast, rain. $T_w = 15.6$ °C, S = 32.52 psu.
- ↓ **15:04 – 15:27 Station GN0050S:**
 Secchi depth and CTD profile with rosette sampler.
W&S: Bft. 6, 190°, 1009 hPa, $T_A = 16.7$ °C, overcast, $T_w = 16.4$ °C, S = 31.69 psu.
- ↓ **19:38 – 20:13 Station GN050 (Utsira Loch):**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler, nutrients and MERCOS for trace metals.
 RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 4-5, 210°, 1009 hPa, $T_A = 16.5$ °C, rain, $T_w = 16.6$ °C, S = 31.77 psu.
- ↓ **23:26 – 23:49 Station GN0049S:**
 CTD profile with rosette sampler.
W&S: Bft. 1-2, variable°, 1018 hPa, $T_A = 14.6$ °C, $T_w = 15.2$ °C, S = 33.54 psu.

Tuesday, August 29th, 2017

- ↓ **02:36 – 02:54 Station GN049 (Utsira Grund):**
CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 3, 240°, 1009 hPa, $T_A = 14.9$ °C, $T_w = 14.9$ °C, S = 34.95 psu.
- ↓ **06:35 – 06:48 Station GN0048S:**
Secchi depth and CTD profile with rosette sampler.
W&S: Bft. 3-4, 260°, 1008 hPa, $T_A = 14.6$ °C, cloudy, $T_w = 14.7$ °C, S = 34.98 psu.
- ↓ **10:34 – 11:02 Station GN048:**
Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler, nutrients and MERCOS for trace metals. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 4-5, 250°, 1008 hPa, $T_A = 14.9$ °C, overcast, $T_w = 14.7$ °C, S = 34.96 psu.
- T **12:02 – 12:31 Neuston trawl for micro plastic (ViPo 87):**
Start: 59° 00.02' N; 000° 45.10' E
End: 59° 00.10' N; 000° 41.57' E
- ↓ **15:13 – 15:30 Station GN047 (Fladengrund Rinne):**
Secchi depth, CTD profile with rosette sampler and nutrients. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 5, 240°, 1007 hPa, $T_A = 14.5$ °C, partly cloudy, $T_w = 14.6$ °C, S = 34.99 psu.
- ↓ **21:02 – 21:32 Station GN046:**
CTD profile with rosette sampler and MERCOS for trace metals. RA: Cs-137.
W&S: Bft. 4-5, 230°, 1006 hPa, $T_A = 13.6$ °C, $T_w = 13.0$ °C, S = 35.12 psu.
- ↓ **23:17 – 23:32 Station GN046A:**
CTD profile with rosette sampler. RA: Cs-137, Sr-90, H-3, Pu, Am, Cm.
W&S: Bft. 5, 230°, 1005 hPa, $T_A = 13.5$ °C, $T_w = 13.5$ °C, S = 34.93 psu.

Wednesday, August 30th, 2017

17:00 Arrival at Aberdeen.

Thursday, August 31st and Friday, September 1st, 2017

Final processing of the last water samples for RA and nutrients. The science crew made preparations for the second leg, cleaning of facilities.

Saturday, September 2nd, 2017

After lunch arrival of the new ships crew for the second leg. 15:30: Arrival of a new science crew for the second leg. Handover of chemistry labs and last arrangements for the second leg. Arrangements for next day the crew change. The old Celtic Explorer crew is leaving the ship, the new crew took over. Refueling of the ship for next leg.

Sunday, September 3rd, 2017

08:00 Leg 2 science team came on board, leg 1 team return left for flights to Hamburg via London.

Preliminary findings

With the exception of statements concerning the area averaged North Sea sea surface temperature (SST), the following assessments are based on CTD raw data collected during the cruise. There will be a second check of the CTD data after the cruise and - if necessary - temperature and salinity data will be re-calibrated before the final processing and analysis of the data.

SST

SST is a reliable representative for the temperature of the seasonal mixed layer. Due to increasing solar radiation the North Sea established a seasonal stratification during spring over wide areas of the North Sea which lasts normally until end of August or beginning of September. Then the water column will be vertically mixed again by the first fall storms. At water depth greater than about 30 m the upper layer is separated from the colder bottom layer by a sharp thermocline with vertical gradients in the order of up to 3 K/m. While the oceanographic conditions in the upper layer are mainly determined by local radiation, the conditions in the bottom layer are influenced by the inflow of Atlantic Water (AW) with salinities greater 35 psu² via the northern open boundary to the Atlantic and to a lesser degree via the English Channel. Only the knowledge of the hydrographic conditions in both layers, determined by the spatial distribution of temperature and salinity, allows the calculation of heat and salt budgets.

During the first eight months of 2017 the monthly anomalies of the area averaged North Sea SST varied between 0.7 and 1.0 K compared to the reference period 1971-1993. At 16 °C the North Sea SST reached its seasonal Maximum in the beginning of August and virtually remained at this level through the first week of September (see red line in Fig. 5). Hence, the current seasonal cycle established - like in 2016 - a plateau-shaped maximum rather than a distinguished peak. That confirms that the complete survey took place during the seasonal heat maximum of the North Sea which can be expected in the bottom layer about 4 weeks after reaching its maximum in the surface layer.

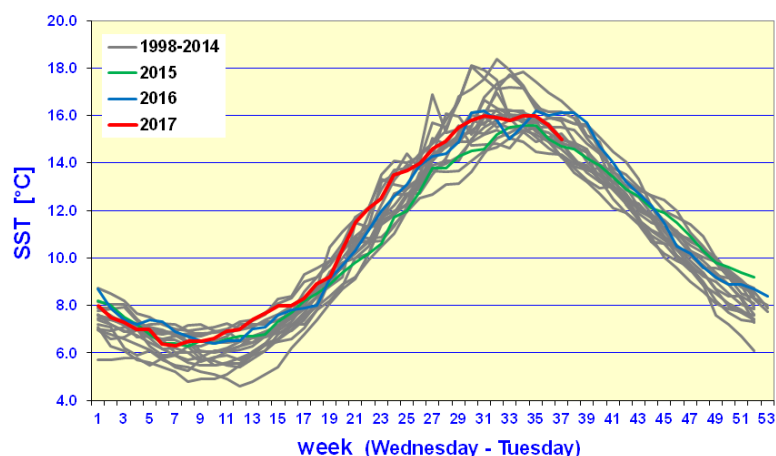


Fig. 5: Weekly area averaged North Sea SST January from 1998 until end of September 2017.

Temperature

While the temperature sections along 54° and 55° N are vertically mixed due to low water depth in their eastern parts, the zonal (east-west) temperature sections between 56° and 60° N show a massive homogeneous mixed surface layer with a strong thermocline at about 30

² psu = practical salinity units

m depth. Between 57° and 60° N the vertical temperature gradients weakens along the UK coast due to strong tidal currents. The temperatures of the upper mixed layer are about 1 K higher than last year. The calculation of the North Sea's total heat budget will be done after the final processing and check of the data after the cruise.

Salinity

The salinity sections show a massive inflow of Atlantic Water ($S > 35$ psu) from the north across the 59° and 60° N sections via the Fair Isle Channel, the East-Shetland Shelf, and at the western slope of the Norwegian Trench (Fig. 9 and 10). This tongue of Atlantic Water narrows significantly at 58° N. At 57° N there is no Atlantic Water in the upper mixed layer, but a small volume in the bottom layer. There is less salt in the southern North Sea compared to the previous year. The total salt budget will not be calculated before the final processing of the data and the analysis of more than 270 in-situ salinity samples for CTD calibration.



Fig 4: All stations done, a happy science crew!

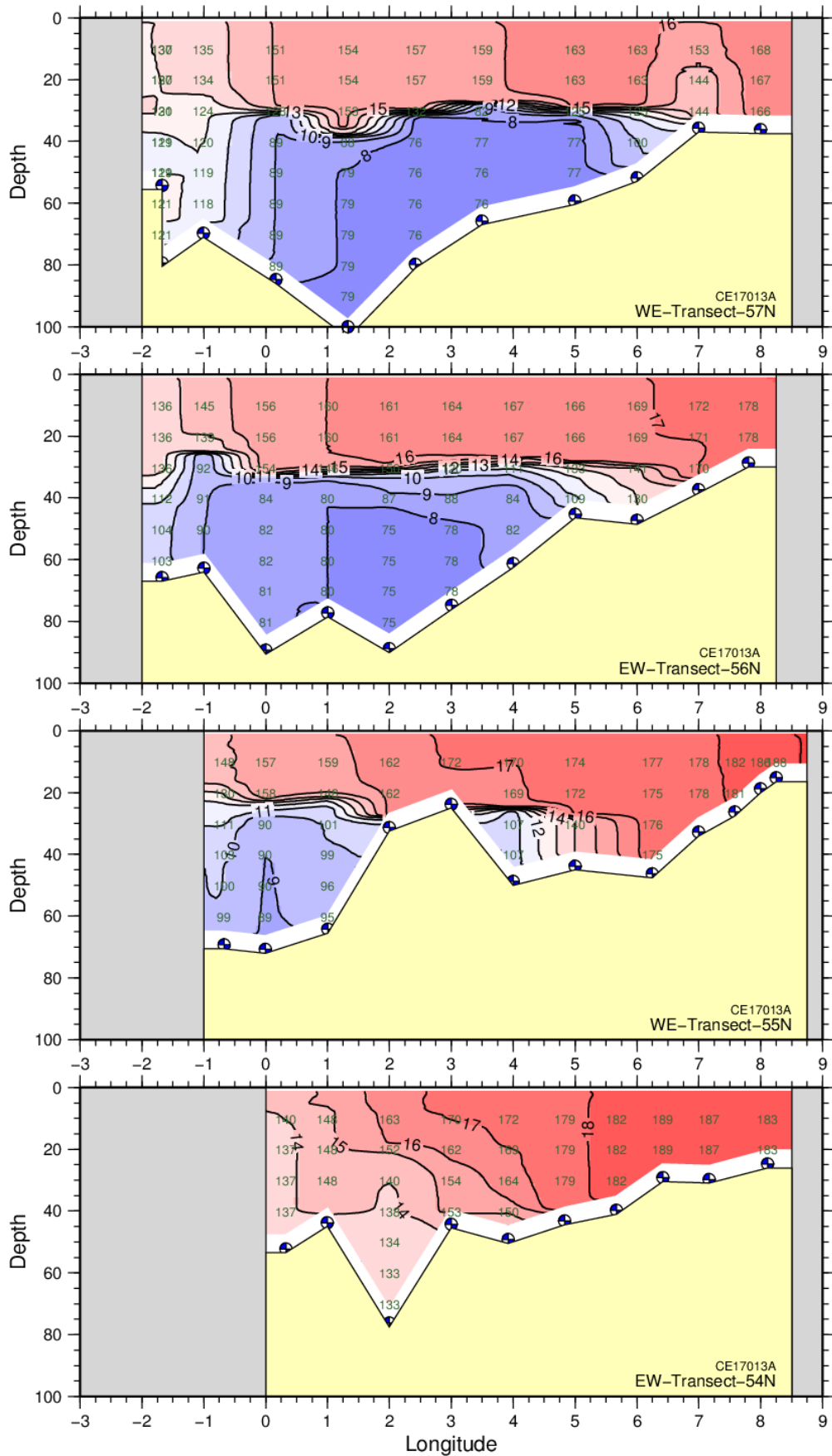


Fig. 6: Vertical temperature distribution along the 54°, 55°, 56°, and 57°N sections basing on CTD raw data. The numbers in the section give temperatures $\times 10$ for selected data points.

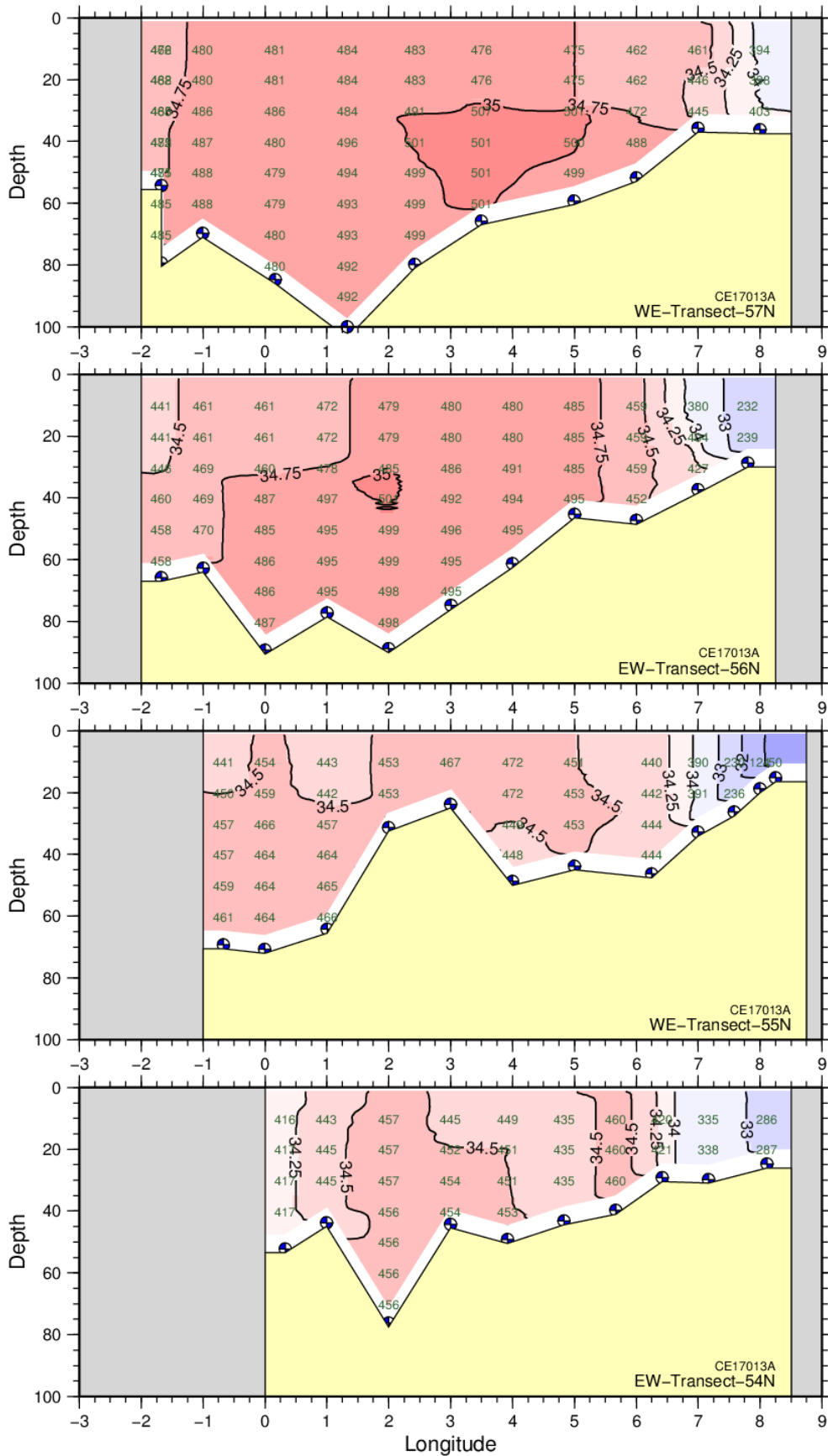


Fig. 7: Vertical salinity distribution along the 54°, 55°, 56°, and 57°N sections basing on CTD raw data. The numbers in the section give (salinities × 100) - 3000 for selected data points.

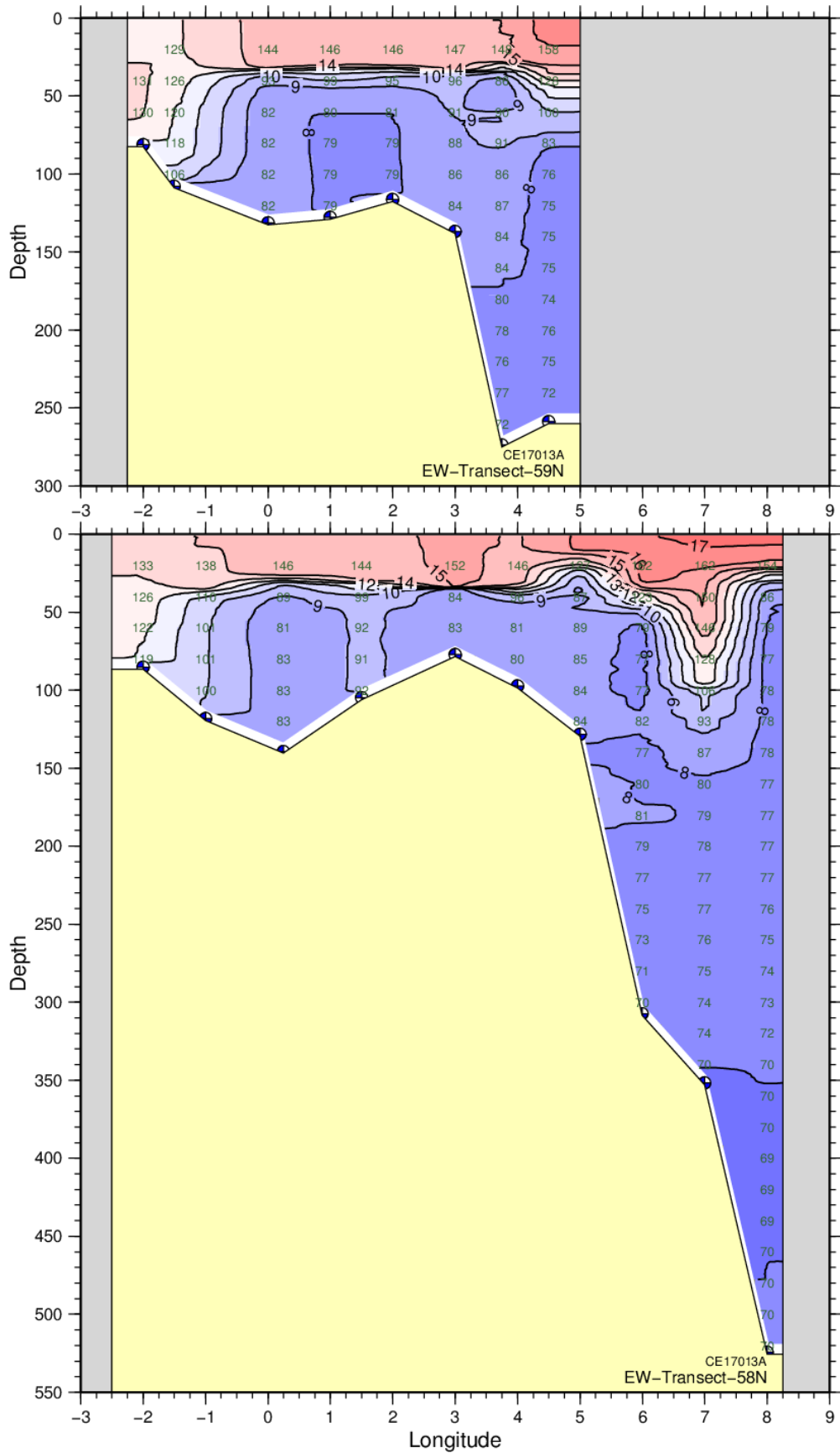


Fig. 8: Vertical temperature distribution along the 58° and 59°N sections basing on CTD raw data. The numbers in the section give temperatures $\times 10$ for selected data points.

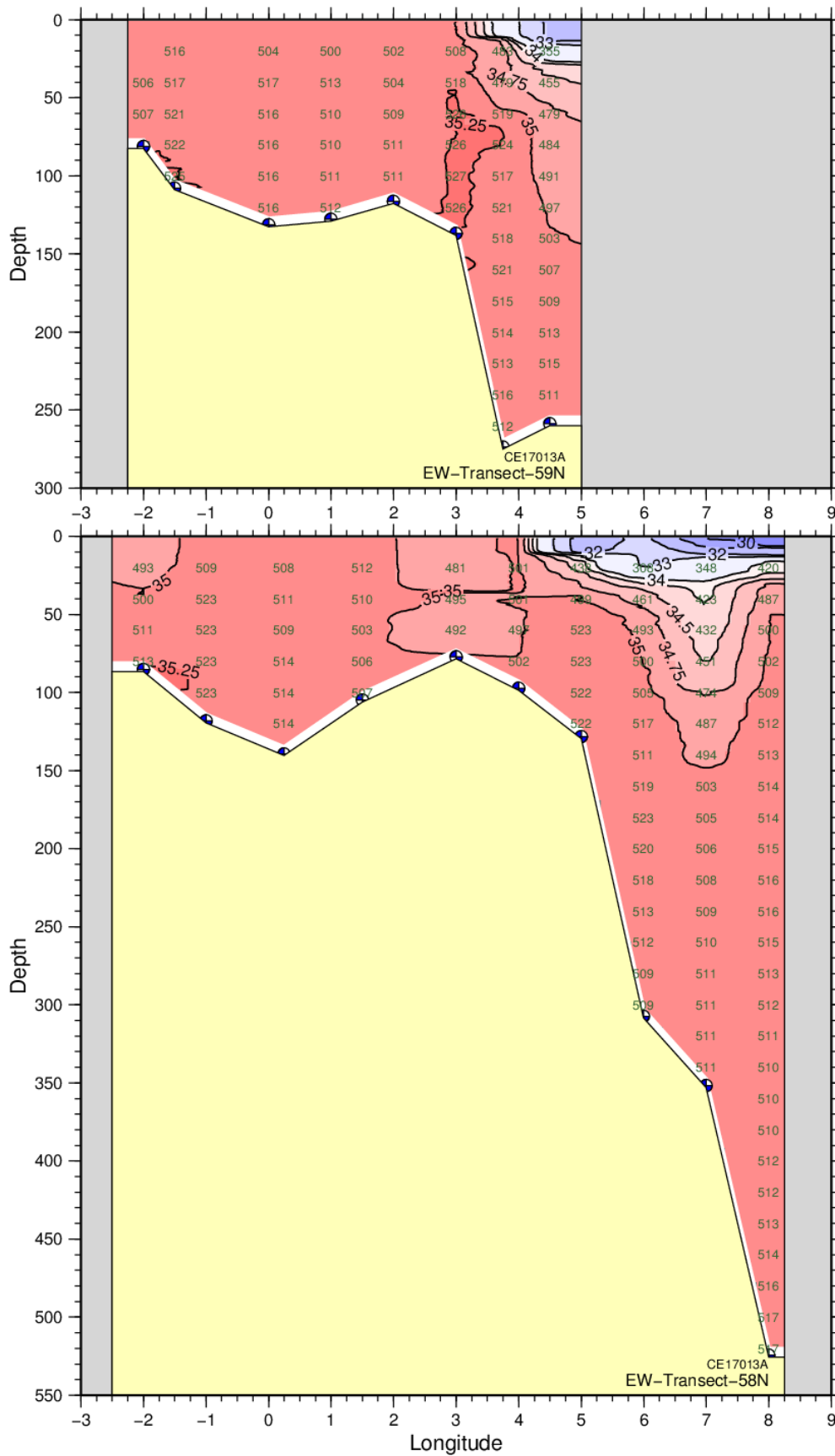


Fig. 9: Vertical salinity distribution along the 58° and 59°N sections basing on CTD raw data. The numbers in the section give (salinities × 100) - 3000 for selected data points.

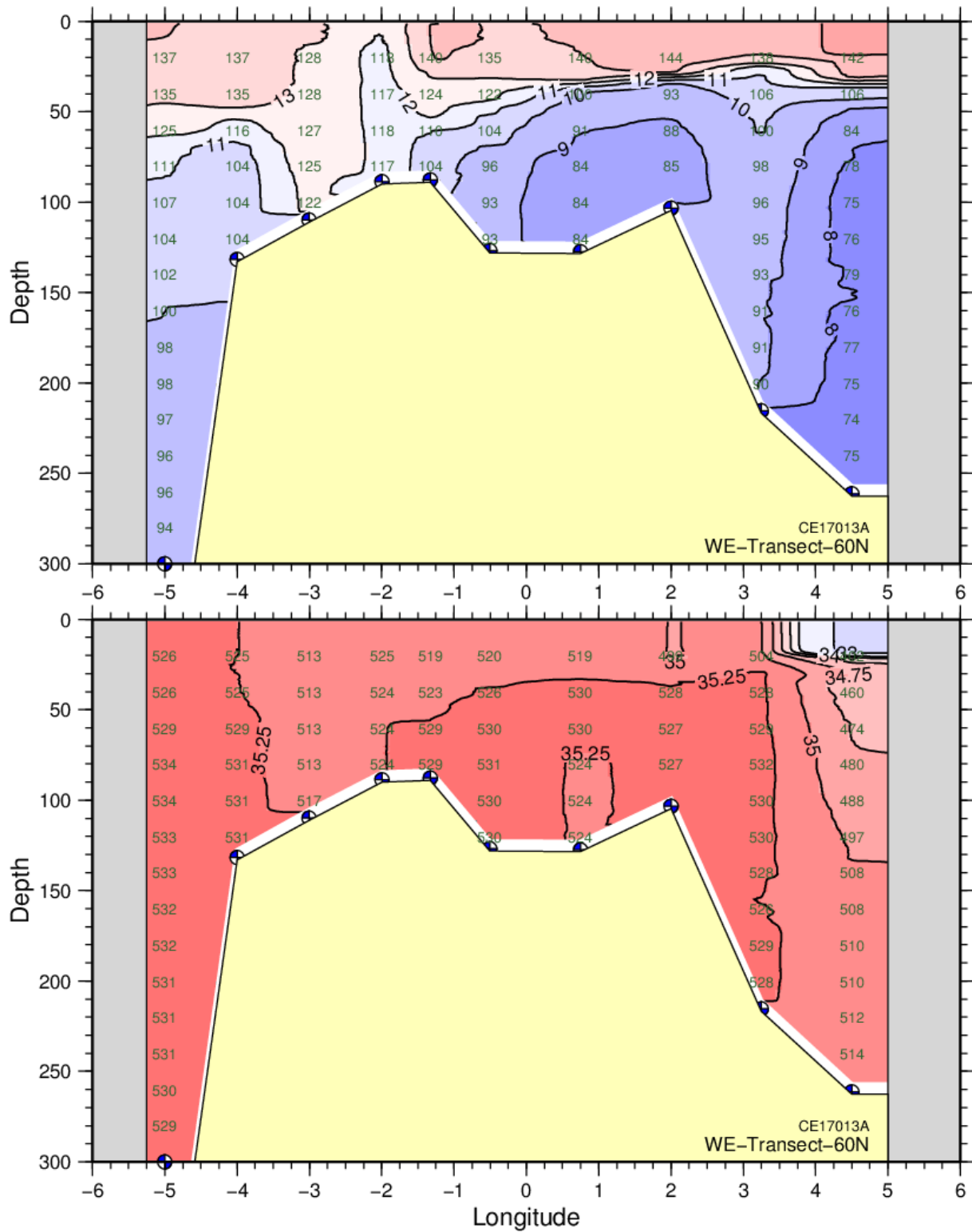


Fig. 10: Vertical temperature (top) and salinity (bottom) distribution along the 60°N section basing on CTD raw data. The numbers in the section give the temperatures $\times 10$ and (salinities $\times 100$) - 3000 for selected data points.

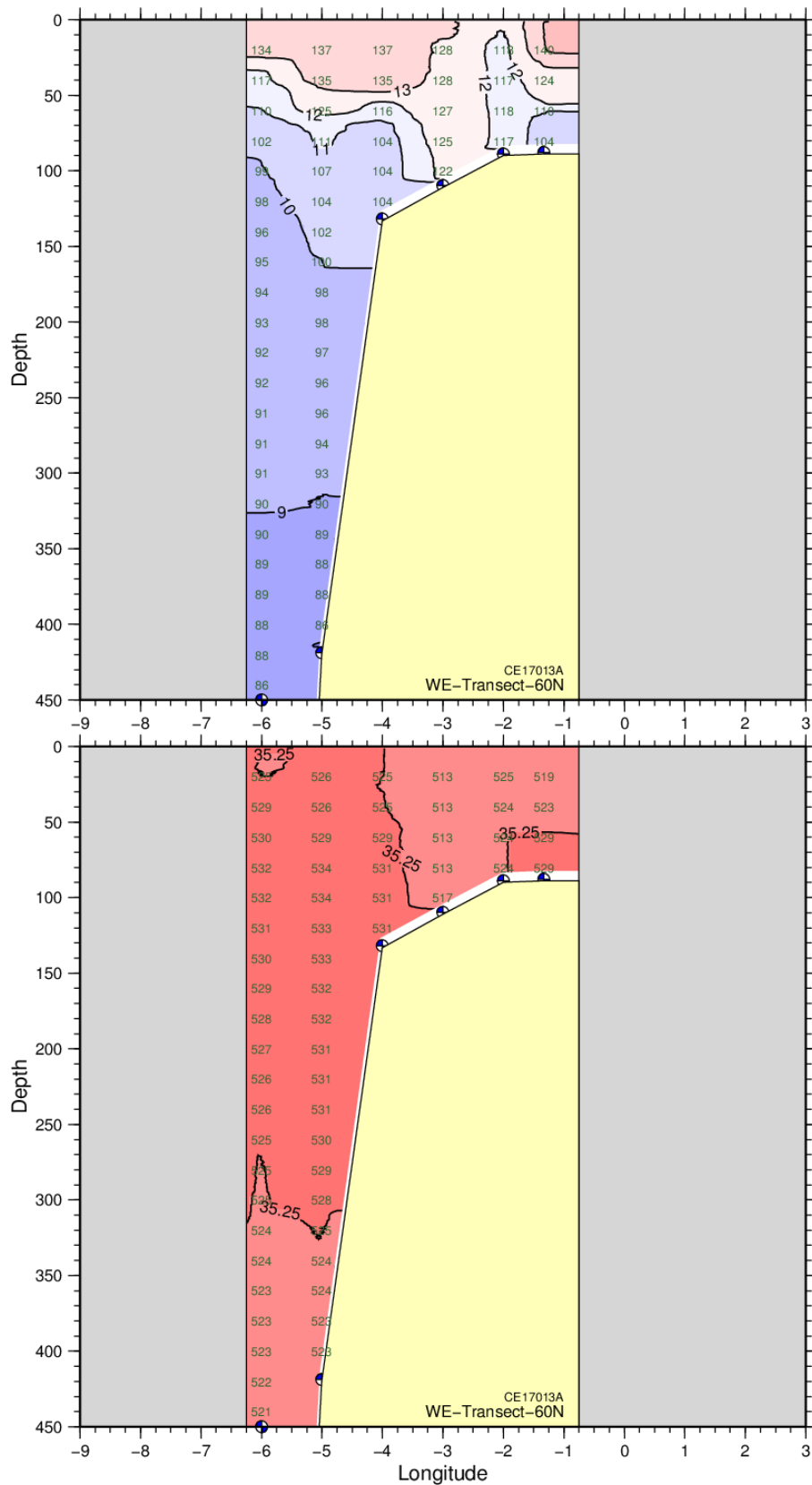


Fig. 11: Vertical temperature (top) and salinity (bottom) distribution along the 60°N section west of Shetland Isles basing on CTD raw data. The numbers in the section give the temperatures $\times 10$ and (salinities $\times 100$) - 3000 for selected data points.

Acknowledgement

All participants accomplished a big amount of work in a good temper and made the North Sea Summer Survey 2017 again a big success! Thank you very much to all of you!

The help and professional good-humoured support of captain Denis Rowan and his crew is gratefully acknowledged.

Holger Klein
Aberdeen, September 3rd, 2017

Appendix 1: List of samples

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| CTD-profiles with rosette: | 102 stations |
| Secchi depth: | 49 stations (daylight stations only) |
| Salinity: | 279 samples |
| Trace metals: | 39 stations, 156 samples |
| Total Alkalinity: | 35 bottom and 35 surface (5 m) samples & 10fold determination |
| Oxygen: | 36 bottom and 36 surface (5 m) samples & 10fold determination |
| pH-value: | 35 bottom and 35 surface (5 m) samples & 10fold determination, 1 sample 41 m |
| Chlorophyll: | 36 surface samples (5 m) & 10fold determination |
| Nutrients: | 12 extra samplings for validation of the nutrient analysers. Run time nutrient auto analyser: Silicate: 18 days, Nitrate/Nitrite: 19 days, Phosphate: 18 days, pH: 14 days |
| Radioactivity (artificial nuclides): | 82 stations 2 samples à 3 35-l-drums Caesium-137 and Strontium-90 (pure) 52 samples à 2 35-l-drums Strontium-90 (pure) 54 samples à 1-l-bottles Tritium (pure) 54 samples à 100 l transuranic elements (concentrated) 86 samples à 150 l Caesium-137 (concentrated) |
| Neuston net trawls for visible pollutions: | 12 trawls 30 – 45 minutes |
| Sediment samples for determination of organic and inorganic pollutants (Project NOAH-Synthesis) | 3 x 8 sediment cores (Multicorer), 1 sediment core (Frahm-Lot) |

Appendix 2: Surface and bottom temperatures and salinities

The following tables are based on CTD raw data.

| Station ID | Secchi depth [m] | water depth [m] | T _{sur} [°C] | T _{bot} [°C] | T _{sur} -T _{bot} [K] | S _{sur} [psu] | S _{bot} [psu] | S _{bot} -S _{sur} [psu] |
|------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--|------------------------|------------------------|--|
| GN003 | 4.5 | 26 | 18.3 | 18.3 | 0.0 | 32.86 | 32.87 | 0.01 |
| GN003A | — | 29 | 18.7 | 18.7 | 0.0 | 33.35 | 33.38 | 0.03 |
| GN007 | — | 27 | 18.9 | 18.90 | 0.0 | 34.20 | 34.20 | 0.00 |
| GN007A | — | 37 | 18.2 | 18.2 | 0.0 | 34.60 | 34.60 | 0.00 |
| GN008 | 3.5 | 42 | 17.8 | 17.9 | -0.1 | 34.36 | 34.35 | -0.01 |
| GN008S | 9.5 | 46 | 17.2 | 14.7 | 2.5 | 34.48 | 34.53 | 0.05 |
| GN009 | 12.0 | 42 | 16.9 | 15.3 | 1.6 | 34.45 | 34.54 | 0.09 |
| GN009A | — | 27 | 18.1 | 18.0 | 0.1 | 34.14 | 34.14 | 0.00 |
| GN009B | — | 29 | 18.6 | 18.5 | 0.1 | 34.78 | 34.81 | 0.03 |
| GN010 | — | 29 | 18.4 | 18.4 | 0.0 | 34.94 | 34.94 | 0.00 |
| GN011 | 12.0 | 19 | 19.2 | 19.2 | 0.0 | 32.91 | 32.91 | 0.02 |
| GN012 | 6.0 | 23 | 19.5 | 19.4 | 0.1 | 34.49 | 34.53 | 0.04 |
| GN013 | 5.5 | 36 | 18.8 | 18.8 | 0.0 | 35.02 | 35.02 | 0.00 |
| GN014 | 3.0 | 29 | 18.5 | 18.5 | 0.0 | 35.04 | 35.04 | 0.00 |
| GN015 | — | 46 | 18.7 | 18.7 | 0.0 | 34.85 | 34.86 | 0.01 |
| GN015B | — | 42 | 17.6 | 17.6 | 0.0 | 34.13 | 34.12 | -0.01 |
| GN016 | 11.0 | 30 | 16.2 | 16.2 | 0.0 | 34.36 | 34.37 | 0.01 |
| GN009S | 12.0 | 73 | 16.5 | 13.3 | 3.2 | 34.57 | 34.56 | -0.01 |
| GN017 | 10.5 | 44 | 14.9 | 14.8 | 0.1 | 34.38 | 34.46 | 0.08 |
| GN017A | 11.0 | 52 | 14.8 | 13.6 | 1.2 | 34.15 | 34.17 | 0.02 |
| GN017S | — | 61 | 15.1 | 11.2 | 3.9 | 34.38 | 34.40 | 0.02 |
| GN018A | — | 73 | 14.9 | 9.9 | 5.0 | 34.42 | 34.61 | 0.19 |
| GN018 | — | 72 | 15.7 | 8.9 | 6.8 | 34.53 | 34.64 | 0.11 |
| GN018S | 15.0 | 63 | 15.9 | 9.5 | 6.4 | 34.43 | 34.65 | 0.22 |
| GN019 | 14.5 | 28 | 16.3 | 16.2 | 0.1 | 34.53 | 34.53 | 0.00 |
| GN019S | 12.0 | 24 | 17.2 | 16.9 | 0.3 | 34.67 | 34.67 | 0.00 |
| GN020 | — | 47 | 17.2 | 10.7 | 6.5 | 34.72 | 34.48 | -0.24 |
| GN021 | — | 41 | 17.4 | 14.0 | 3.4 | 34.51 | 34.51 | 0.00 |
| GN022 | — | 44 | 17.7 | 17.5 | 0.2 | 34.40 | 34.43 | 0.03 |
| GN022A | 9.5 | 32 | 17.8 | 17.7 | 0.1 | 33.88 | 33.92 | 0.04 |
| GN023 | 7.5 | 24 | 18.2 | 18.1 | 0.1 | 32.30 | 32.37 | 0.07 |
| GN024 | 6.0 | 16 | 18.6 | 18.6 | 0.0 | 31.25 | 31.25 | 0.00 |
| GN025 | 6.0 | 12 | 18.8 | 18.8 | 0.0 | 30.50 | 30.50 | 0.00 |
| GN026 | — | 27 | 18.8 | 17.7 | 1.1 | 32.32 | 32.41 | 0.09 |
| GN026A | — | 35 | 17.2 | 17.0 | 0.2 | 33.79 | 34.27 | 0.48 |
| GN027 | — | 48 | 16.9 | 13.0 | 3.9 | 34.58 | 34.52 | 0.06 |
| GN028 | 11.0 | 43 | 16.6 | 10.9 | 5.7 | 34.85 | 34.94 | 0.09 |
| GN028S | 13.5 | 58 | 16.7 | 8.2 | 8.5 | 34.79 | 34.94 | 0.15 |
| GN029 | 13.0 | 73 | 16.4 | 7.8 | 8.6 | 34.80 | 34.95 | 0.15 |
| GN030 | — | 87 | 16.1 | 7.5 | 8.6 | 34.79 | 34.98 | 0.19 |
| GN031 | — | 77 | 16.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 34.72 | 34.95 | 0.23 |
| GN032 | 9.0 | 87 | 16.1 | 7.5 | 8.6 | 34.60 | 34.87 | 0.27 |
| GN033 | 10.0 | 64 | 14.5 | 9.0 | 5.5 | 34.61 | 34.70 | 0.09 |
| GN033A | — | 64 | 13.6 | 10.3 | 3.3 | 34.40 | 34.58 | 0.18 |
| GN033S | — | 51 | 13.0 | 11.9 | 1.1 | 34.66 | 34.71 | 0.05 |
| GN034A | — | 77 | 13.6 | 12.1 | 1.5 | 34.72 | 34.85 | 0.13 |
| GN034 | — | 71 | 13.5 | 11.8 | 1.7 | 34.80 | 34.88 | 0.08 |
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| GN035 | 13.9 | 99 | 15.3 | 7.9 | 7.4 | 34.84 | 34.92 | 0.08 |
| GN035S | 11.0 | 82 | 15.7 | 7.5 | 8.2 | 34.83 | 34.99 | 0.16 |
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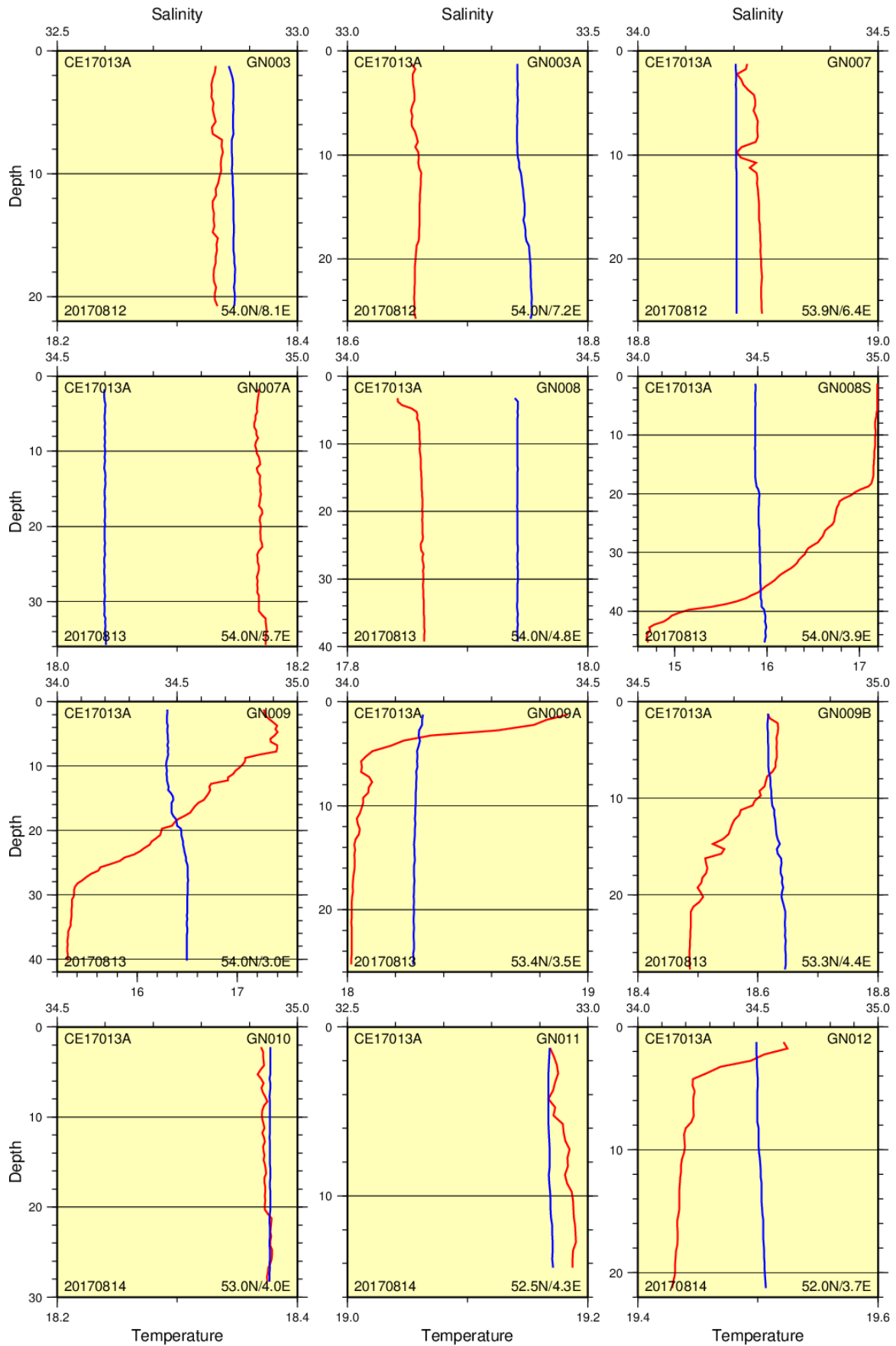
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|------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--|------------------------|------------------------|--|
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| GN801 | — | 25 | 16.6 | 16.6 | 0.0 | 34.10 | 34.10 | 0.00 |
| GN802 | — | 220 | 16.9 | 8.1 | 8.8 | 29.20 | 35.19 | 5.99 |
| GN803 | 11.0 | 125 | 16.9 | 8.6 | 8.3 | 31.34 | 34.93 | 3.59 |
| GN804 | 6.5 | 32 | 17.0 | 16.5 | 0.5 | 31.56 | 33.32 | 1.76 |
| GN805 | 10.0 | 88 | 17.0* | 11.5 | 5.5 | 32.60 | 34.14 | 1.54 |
| GN806 | — | 92 | 17.2* | 9.8 | 7.4 | 31.79 | 34.81 | 3.02 |
| GN807 | — | 527 | 8.8 | 7.0 | 1.8 | 34.87 | 35.17 | 0.30 |
| GN808 | 12.5 | 676 | 16.7 | 7.0 | 9.7 | 31.28 | 35.18 | 3.90 |
| GN040 | 11.5 | 524 | 17.1 | 7.0 | 10.1 | 29.77 | 35.16 | 5.39 |
| GN040S | — | 349 | 17.0 | 6.9 | 10.1 | 31.08 | 35.13 | 4.05 |
| GN041 | — | 307 | 16.4 | 7.0 | 9.4 | 32.60 | 35.09 | 2.49 |
| GN042 | — | 126 | 16.2 | 8.4 | 7.8 | 31.48 | 35.22 | 3.74 |
| GN042S | — | 98 | 14.9 | 8.0 | 6.9 | 34.98 | 35.11 | 0.13 |
| GN043 | >12.0 | 77 | 15.2 | 8.3 | 6.9 | 34.81 | 34.92 | 0.11 |
| GN044 | 14.5 | 105 | 14.5 | 9.2 | 5.3 | 35.11 | 35.07 | -0.04 |
| GN044S | — | 140 | 14.7 | 8.3 | 6.4 | 35.07 | 35.14 | 0.07 |
| GN045 | — | 116 | 13.8 | 10.0 | 3.8 | 35.08 | 35.23 | 0.15 |
| GN045A | — | 86 | 13.8 | 11.9 | 1.9 | 34.89 | 35.13 | 0.24 |
| GN045B | 14.5 | 70 | 13.3 | 13.3 | 0.0 | 34.91 | 34.91 | 0.00 |
| GN057A | 12.0 | 90 | 13.6 | 13.4 | 0.2 | 34.81 | 34.86 | 0.05 |
| GN056 | — | 87 | 13.6 | 13.2 | 0.4 | 34.62 | 34.70 | 0.08 |
| GN056C | — | 109 | 14.4 | 12.0 | 2.4 | 34.80 | 34.78 | -0.02 |
| GN064 | — | 55 | 13.6 | 13.0 | 0.6 | 34.64 | 34.70 | 0.06 |
| GN056B | 10.0 | 119 | 14.4 | 11.6 | 2.8 | 34.94 | 35.13 | 0.19 |
| GN065 | 15.0 | 1060 | 13.7 | -0.6 | 14.3 | 35.25 | 34.91 | -0.34 |
| GN055 | — | 412 | 13.6 | 7.8 | 5.8 | 35.25 | 35.18 | -0.07 |
| GN054S | — | 132 | 13.7 | 10.4 | 3.3 | 35.25 | 35.31 | 0.06 |
| GN054 | 8.0 | 102 | 13.3 | 12.2 | 1.1 | 35.12 | 35.17 | 0.05 |
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| GN052S | — | 128 | 14.1 | 8.4 | 5.7 | 35.19 | 35.24 | 0.05 |
| GN052 | — | 102 | 14.5 | 8.5 | 6.0 | 34.99 | 35.27 | 0.28 |
| GN051S | — | 217 | 14.2 | 8.9 | 5.3 | 35.02 | 35.28 | 0.26 |
| GN051 | 10.0 | 262 | 15.4 | 7.5 | 7.9 | 32.53 | 35.13 | 2.60 |
| GN050S | 9.0 | 266 | 16.2 | 7.4 | 8.8 | 31.27 | 35.13 | 3.86 |
| GN050 | — | 260 | 16.4 | 7.2 | 9.2 | 31.84 | 35.11 | 3.27 |
| GN049S | — | 273 | 15.0 | 7.2 | 7.8 | 33.74 | 35.12 | 1.38 |
| GN049 | — | 138 | 14.7 | 8.4 | 6.6 | 35.07 | 35.26 | 0.19 |
| GN048S | 18.5 | 115 | 14.6 | 7.8 | 6.8 | 35.01 | 35.11 | 0.10 |
| GN048 | 16.5 | 125 | 14.5 | 7.9 | 6.6 | 35.00 | 35.12 | 0.12 |
| GN047 | 16.5 | 133 | 14.4 | 8.2 | 6.2 | 35.03 | 35.15 | 0.12 |
| GN046 | — | 106 | 12.9 | 10.3 | 2.6 | 35.16 | 35.25 | 0.09 |
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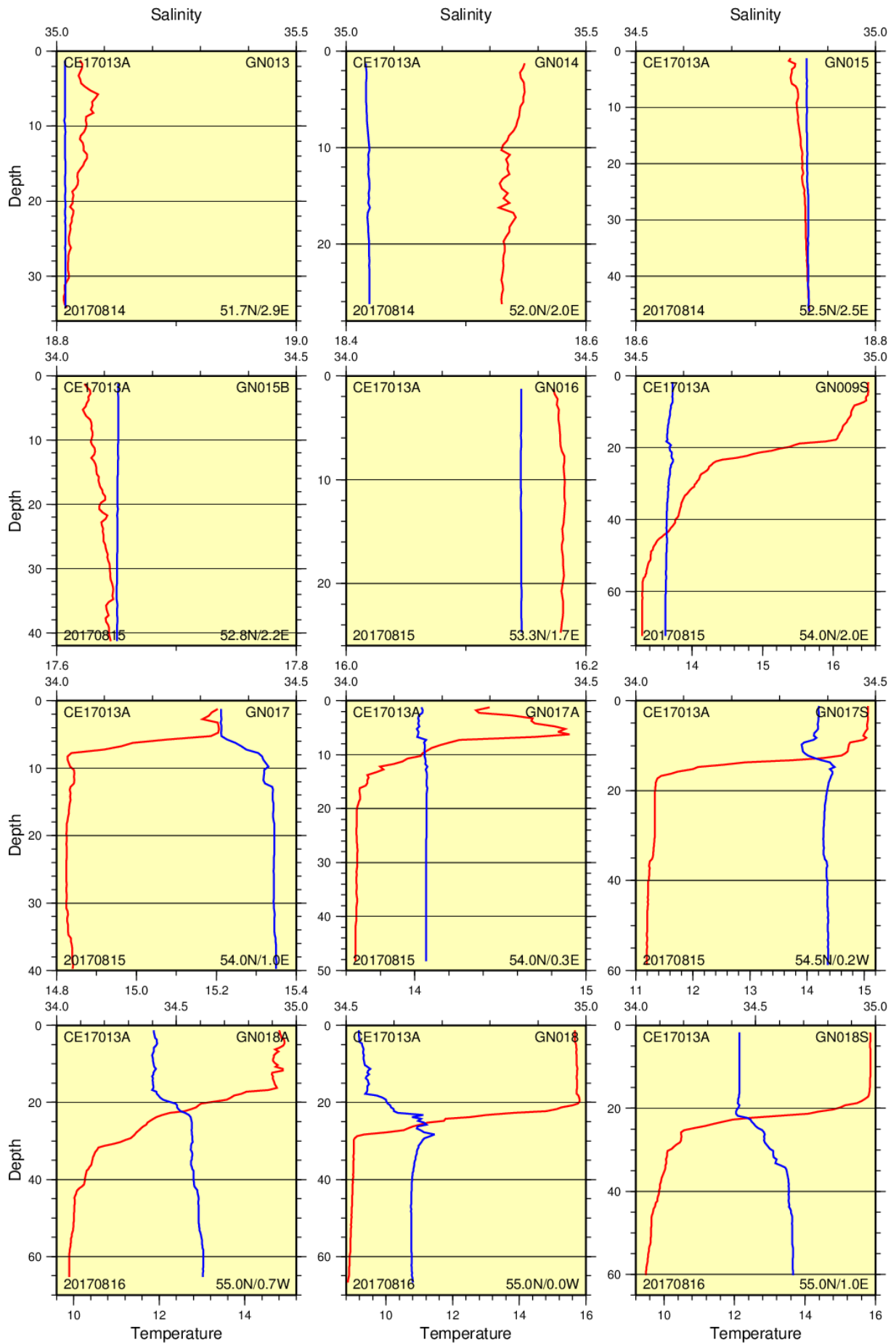
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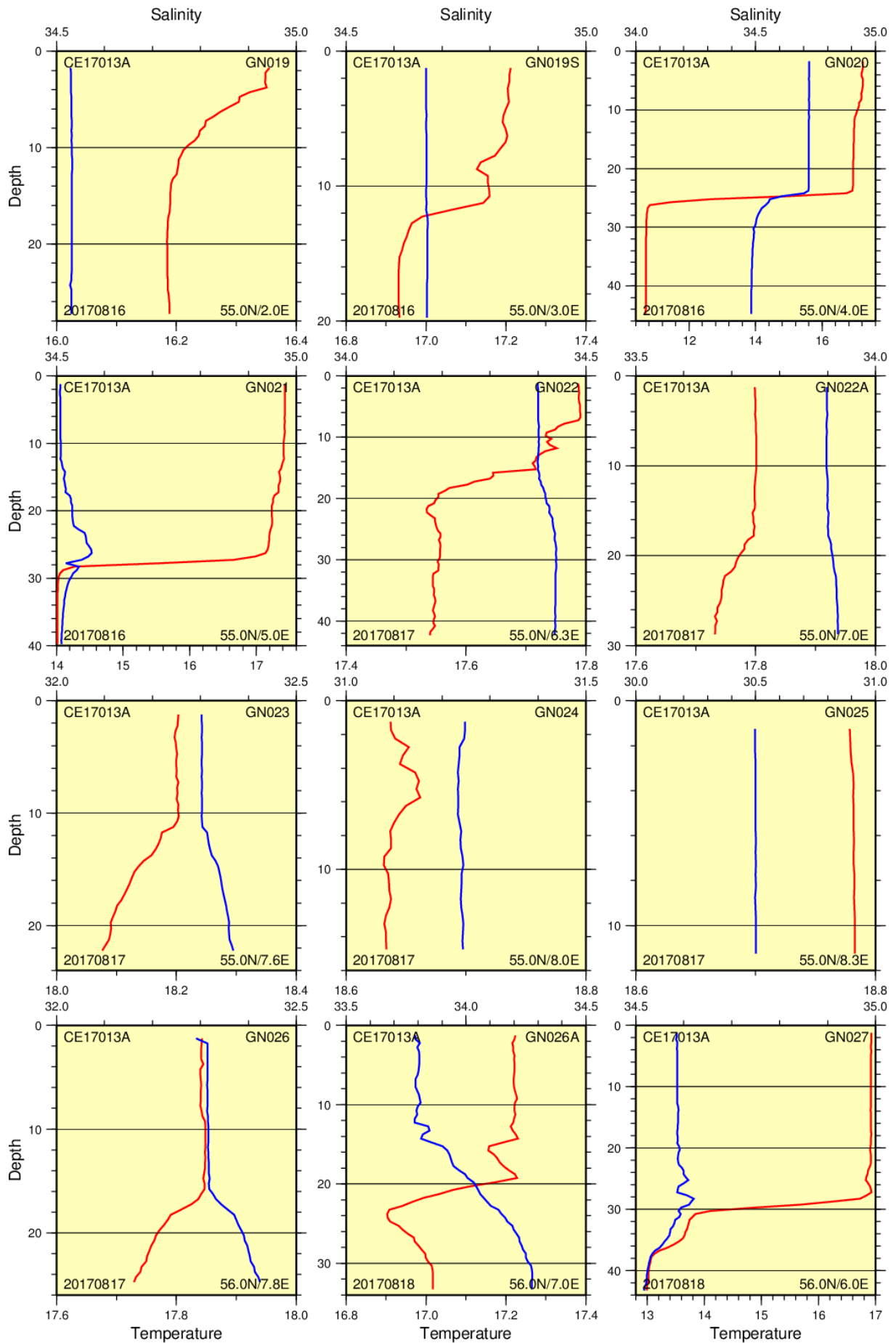
S_{sur}, S_{bot}: surface and bottom salinity. **Blue**: Coastal Water ≤34 psu, **red**: Atlantic Water ≥35 psu.

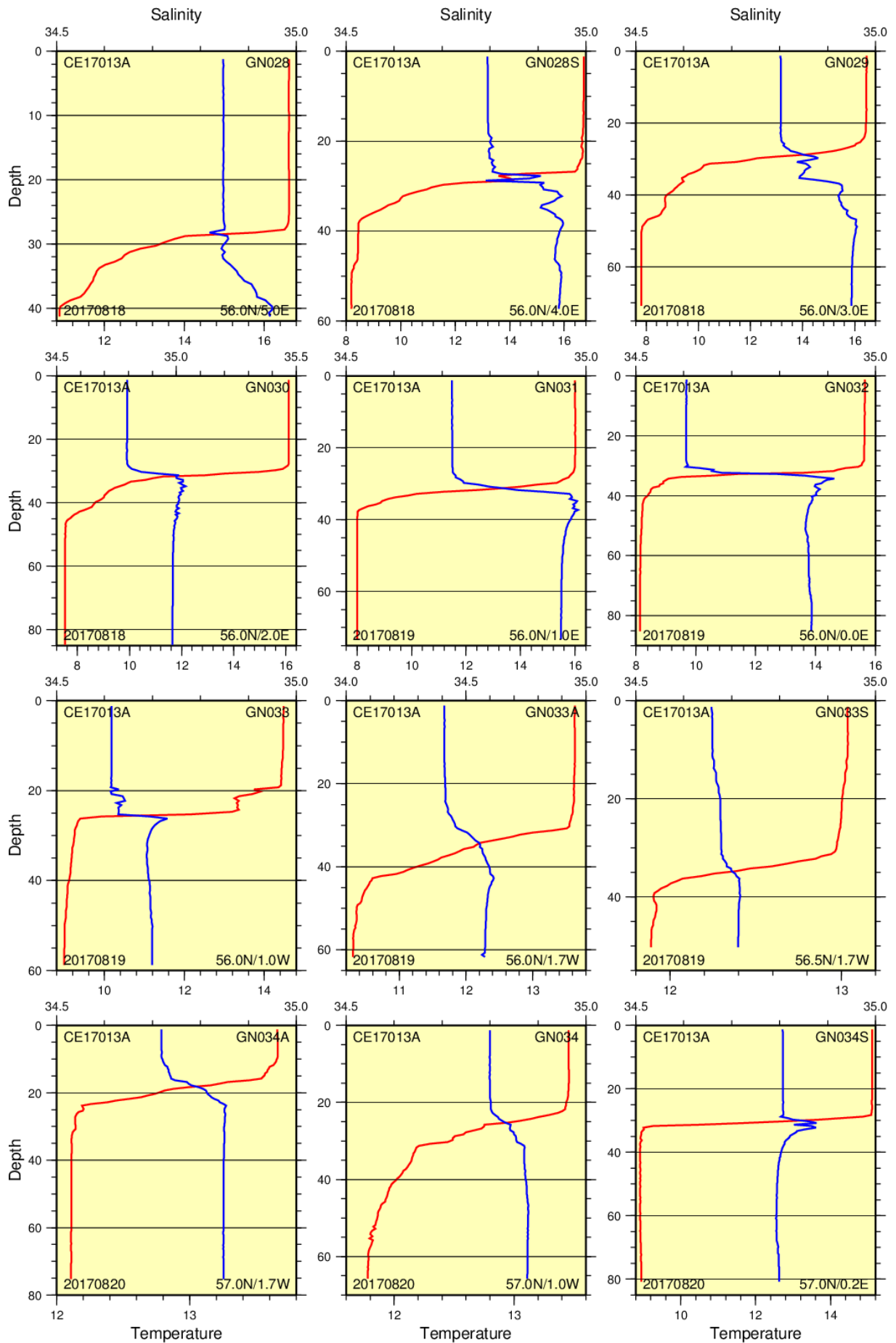
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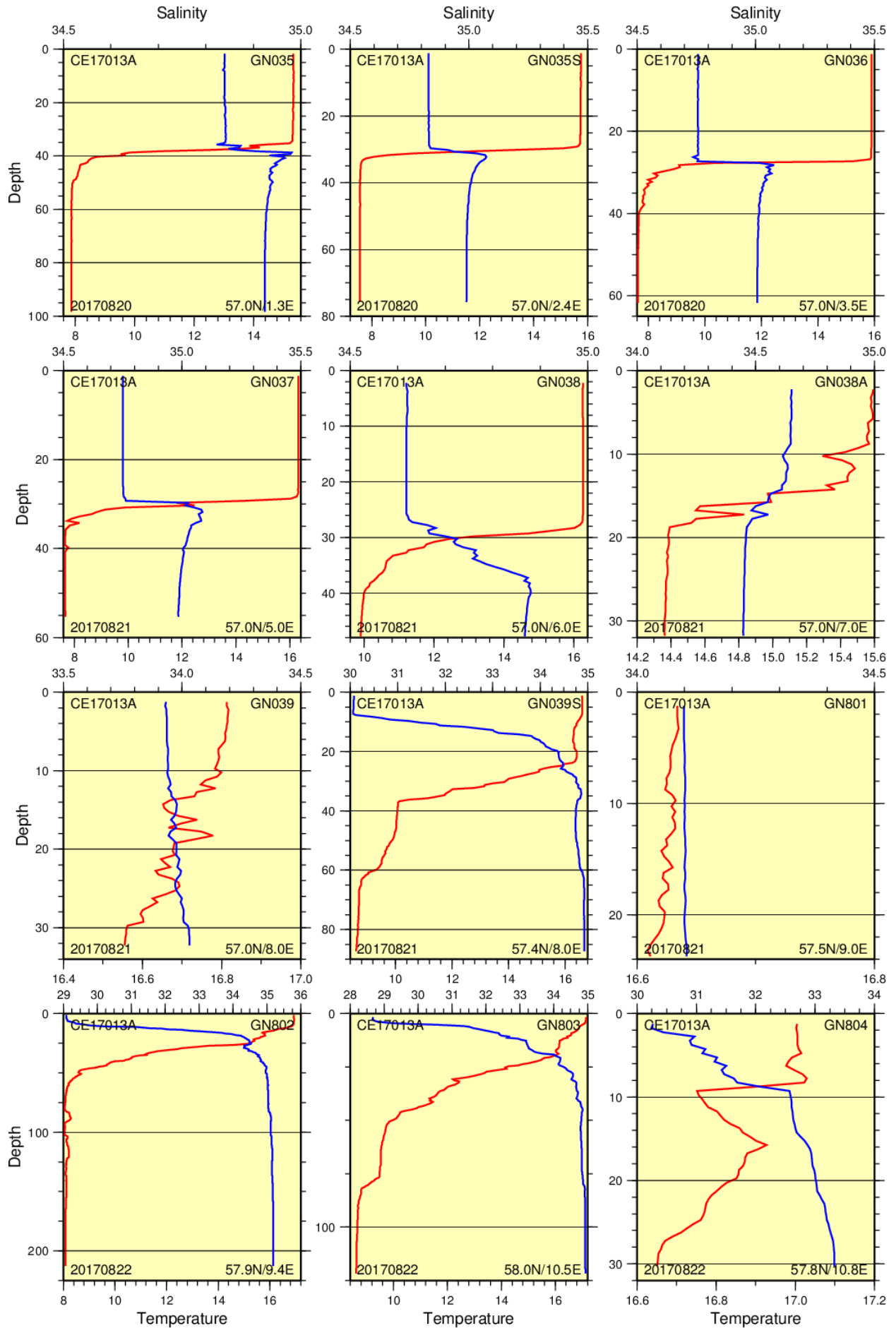
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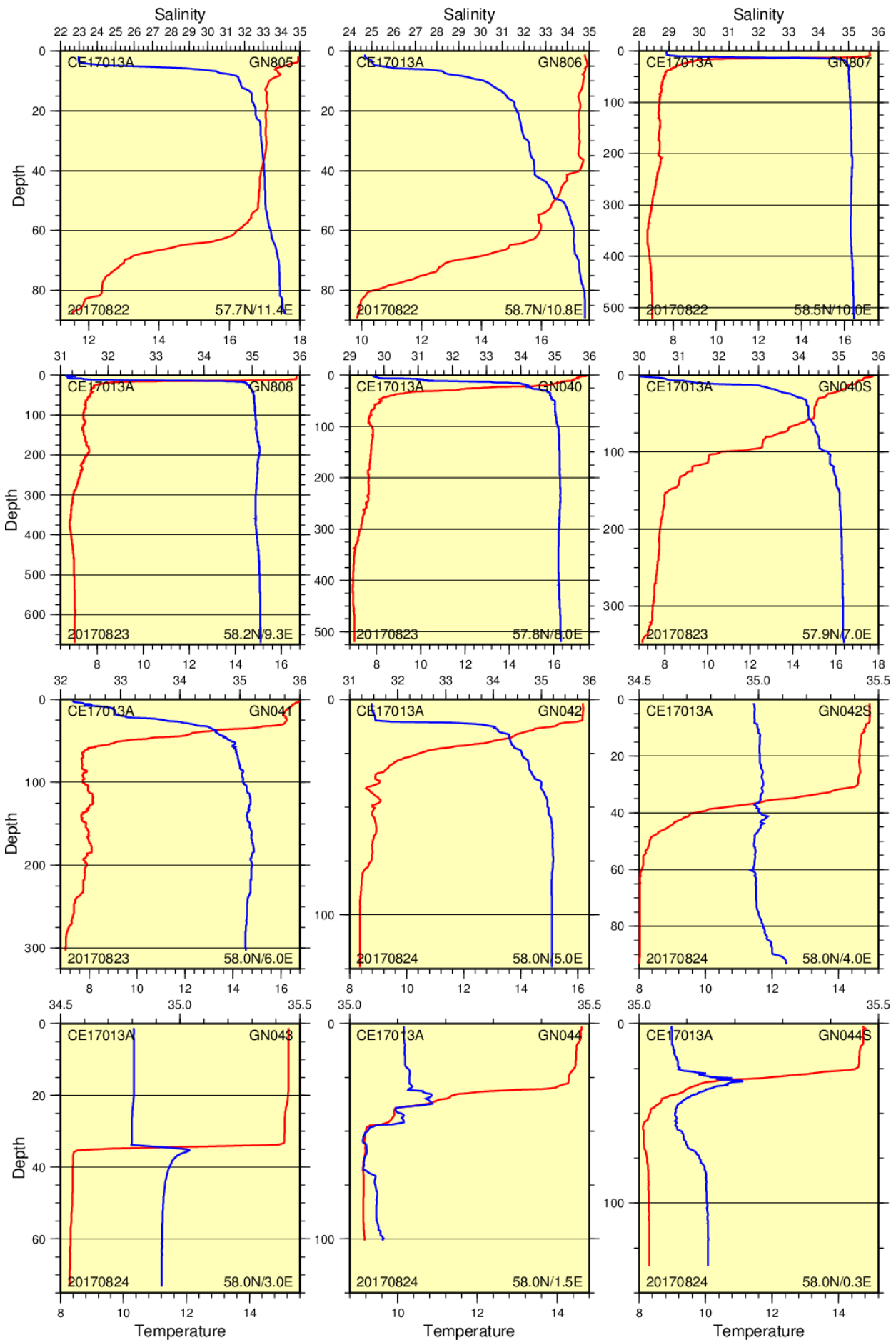


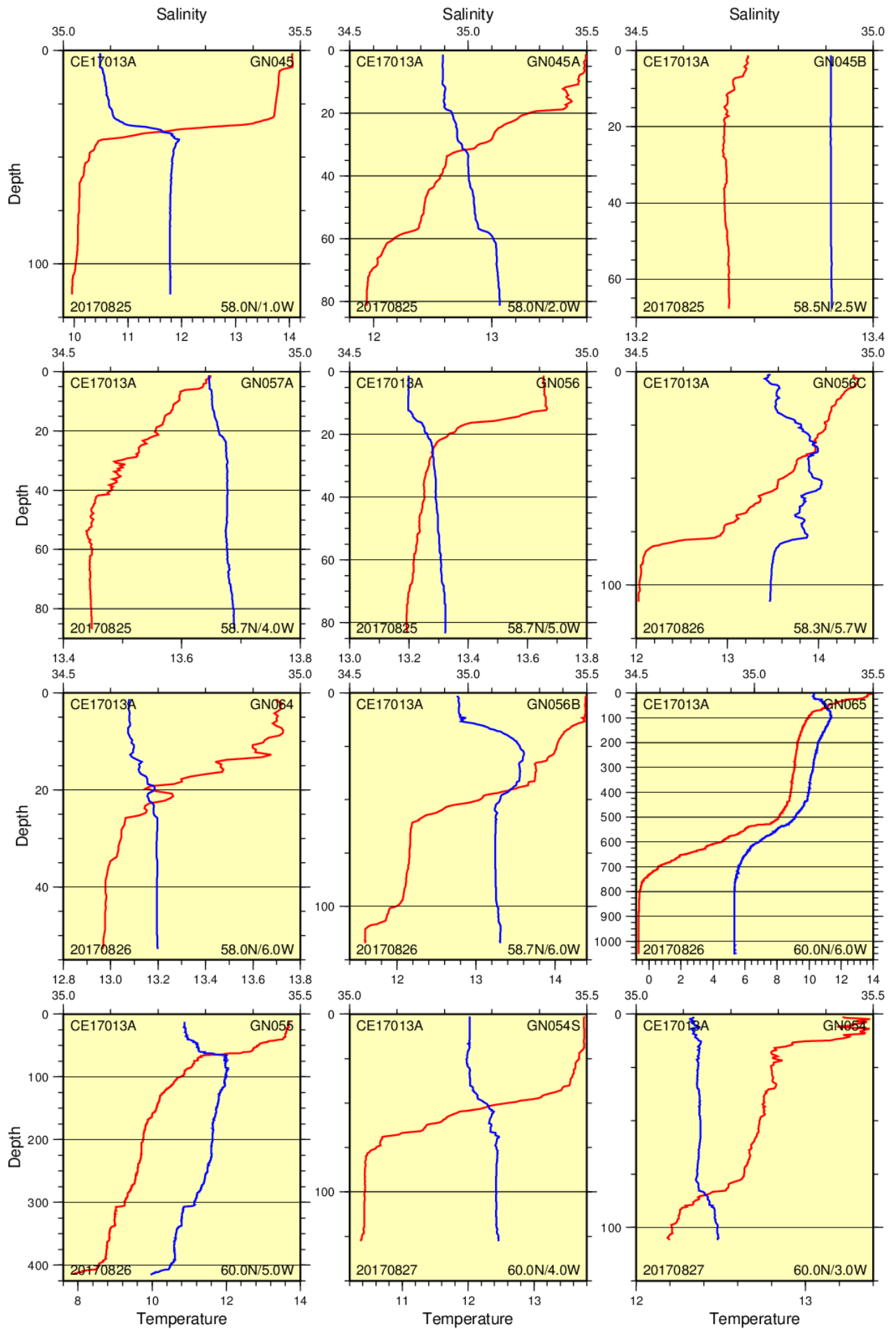


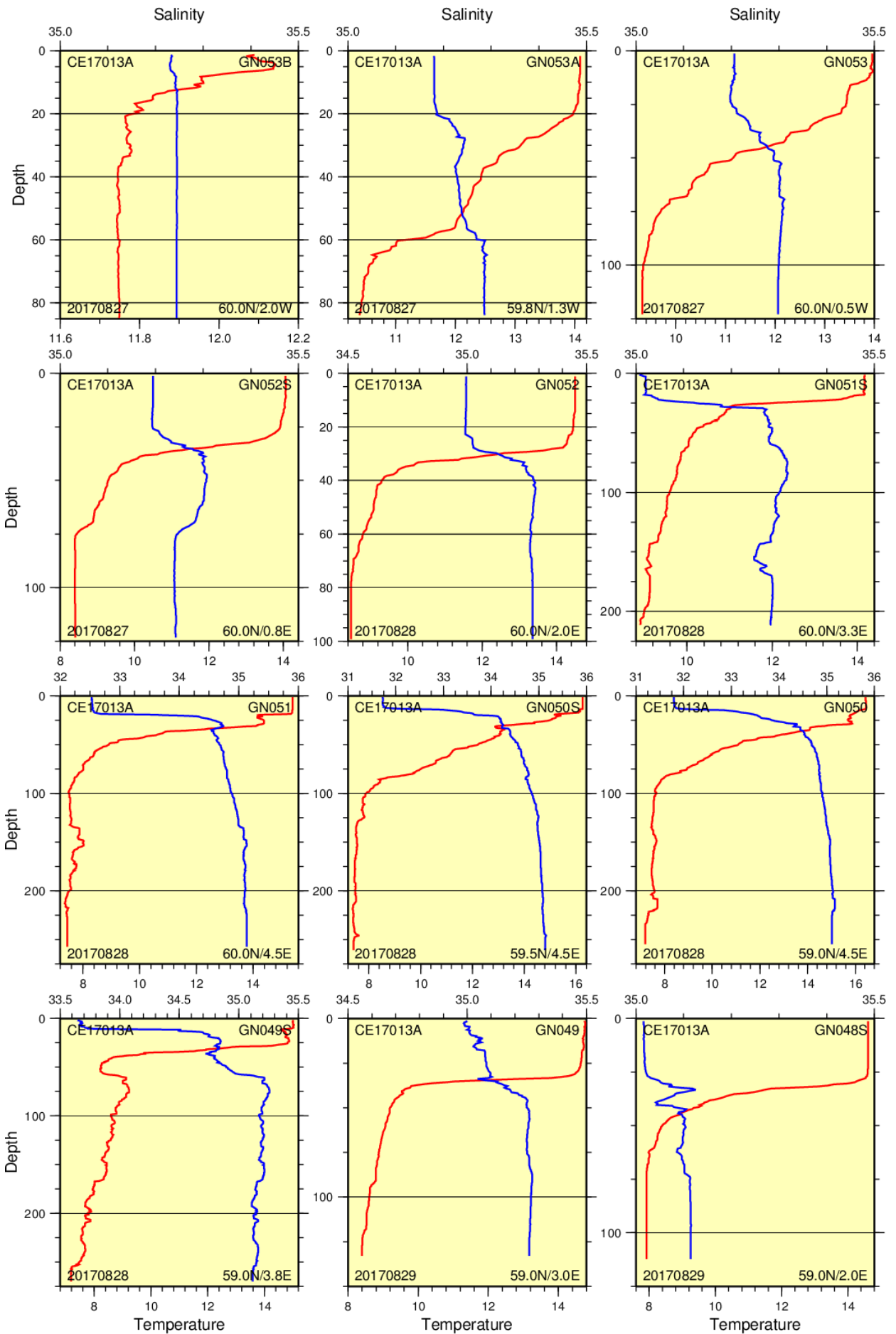


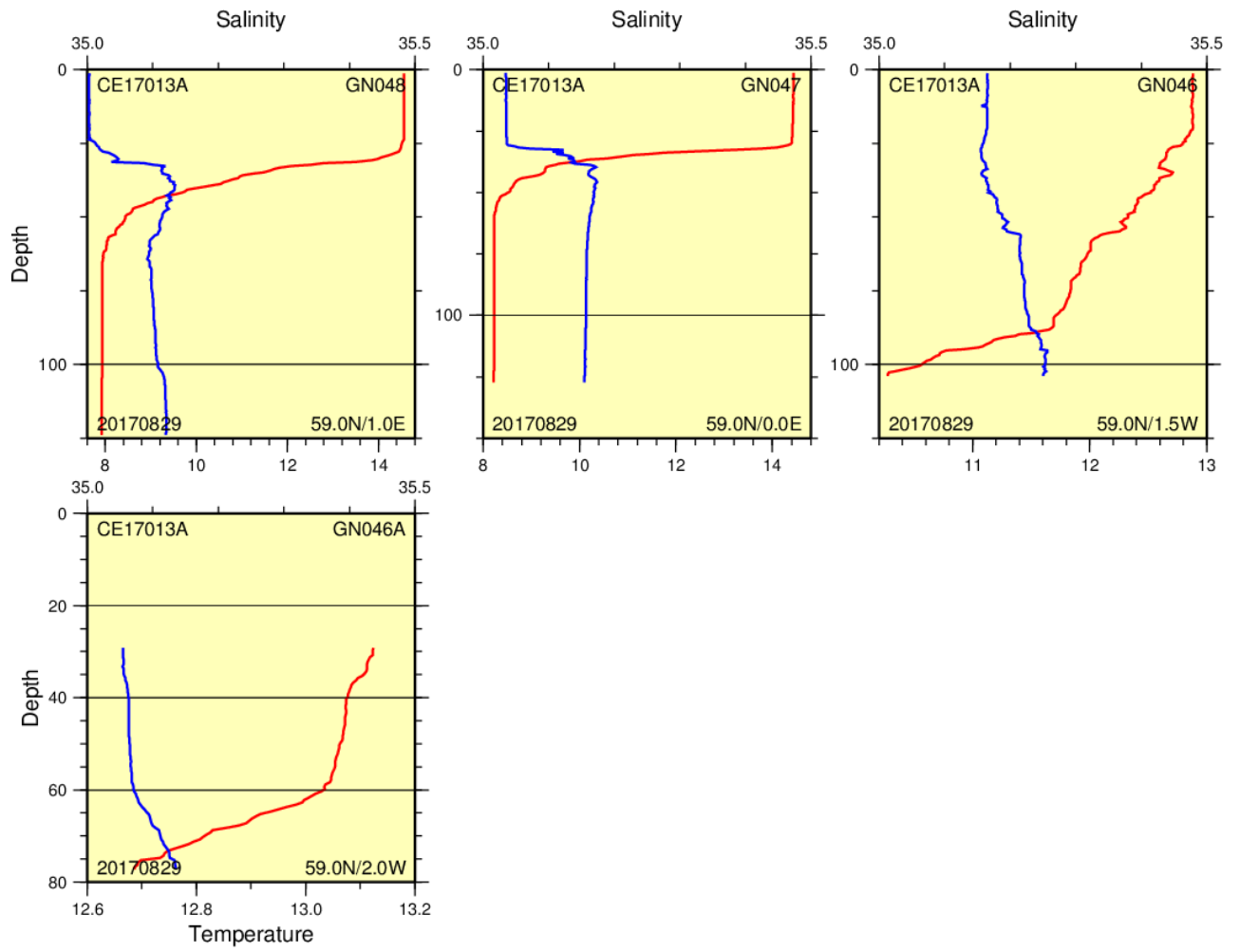






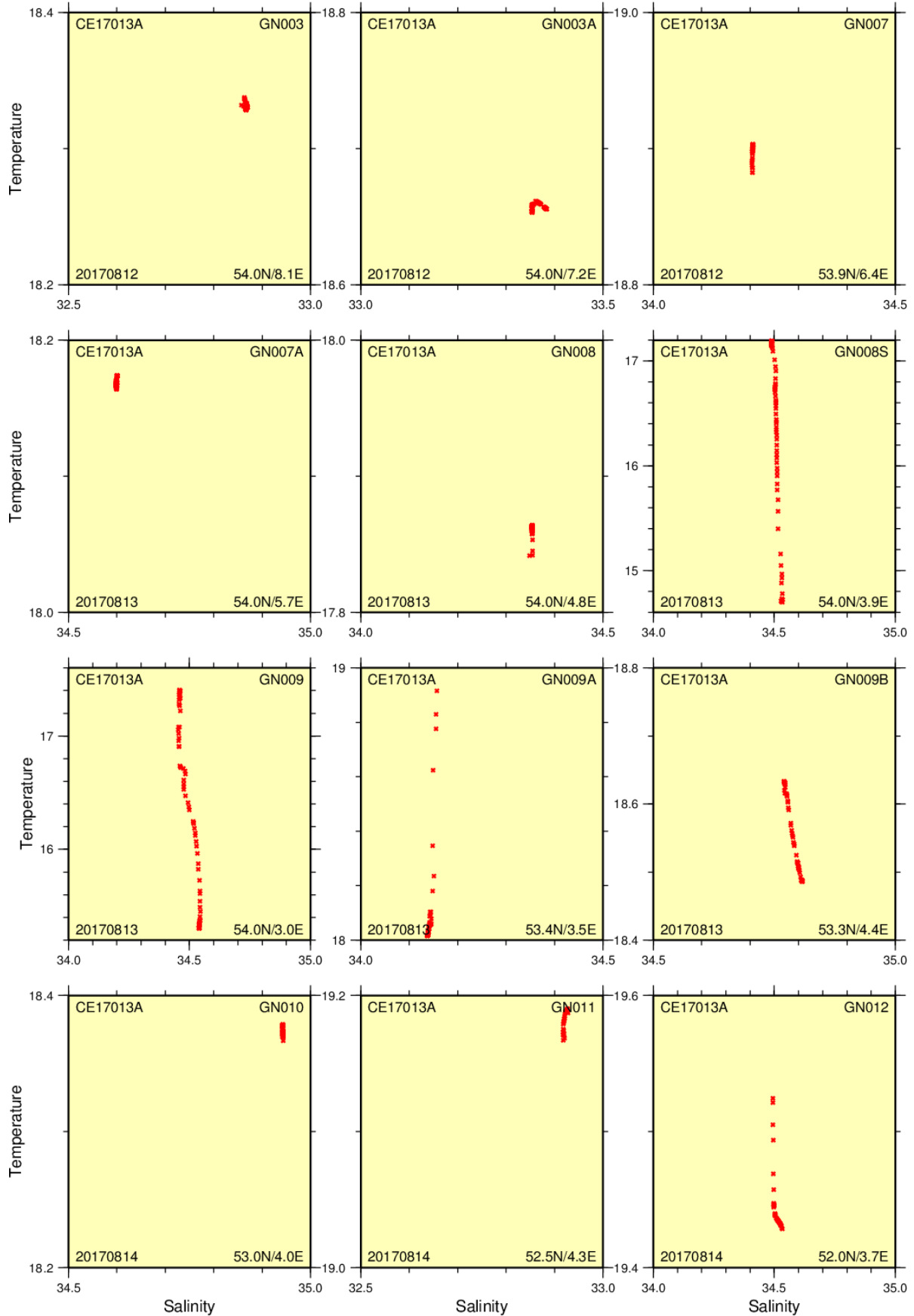


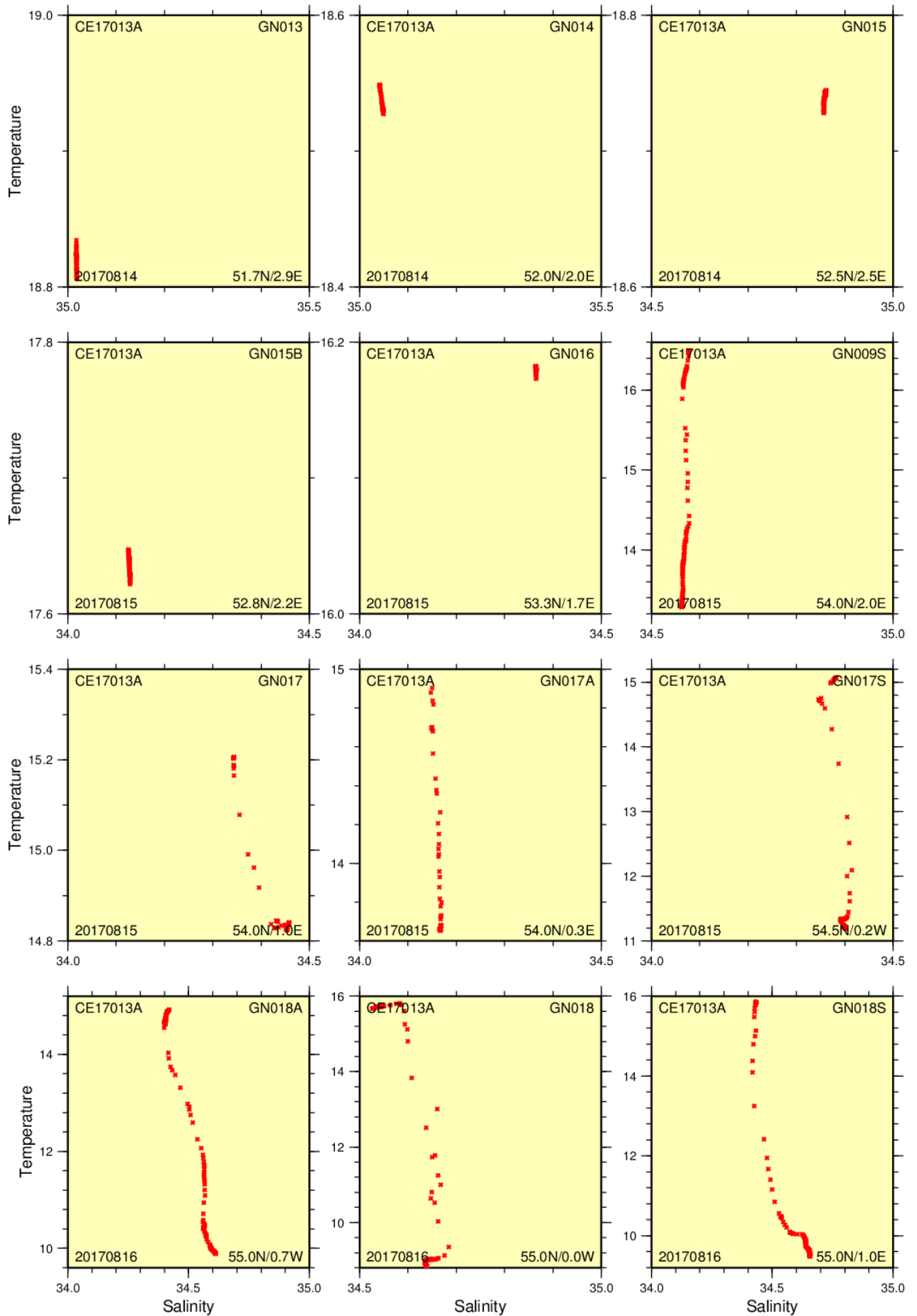


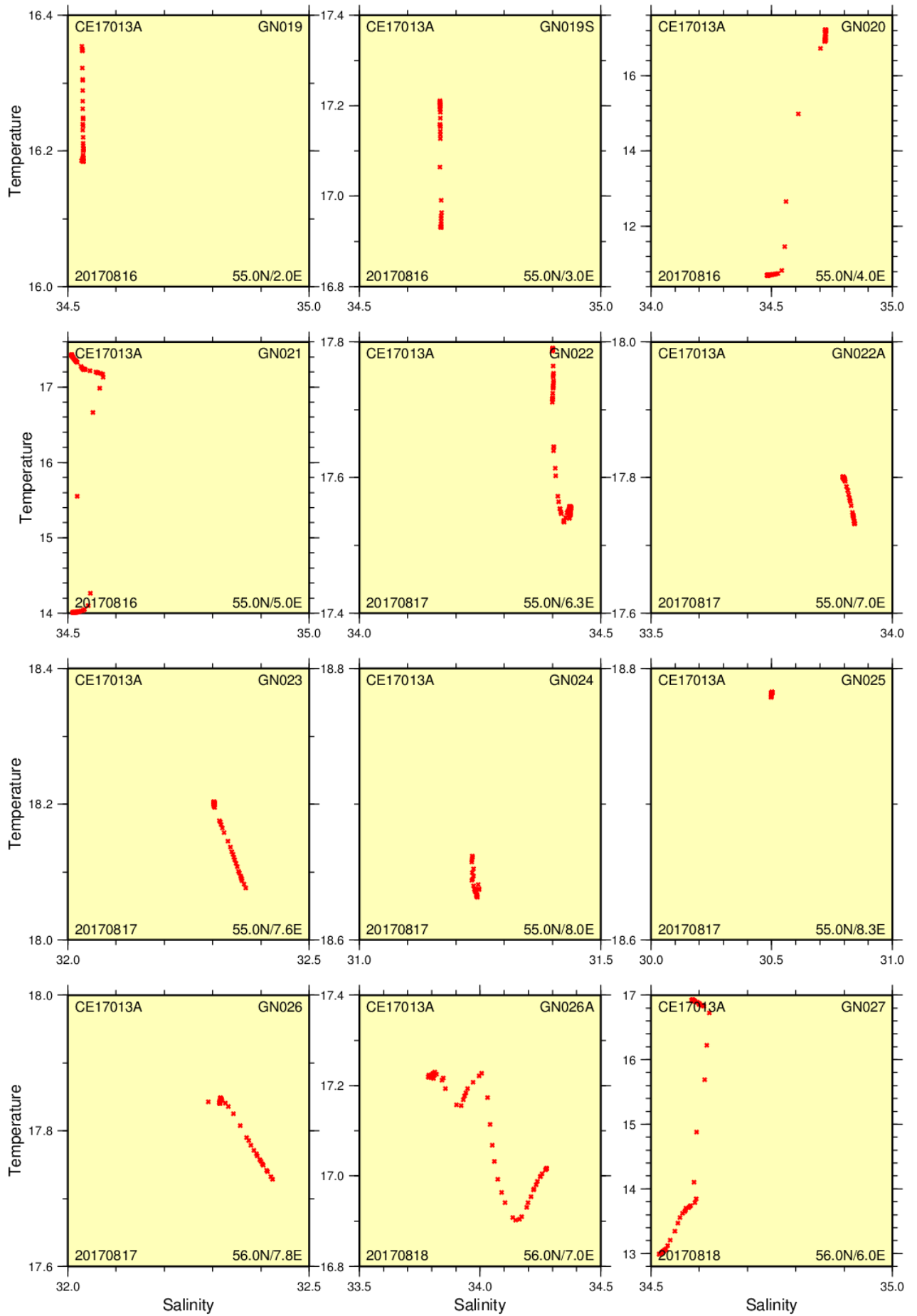


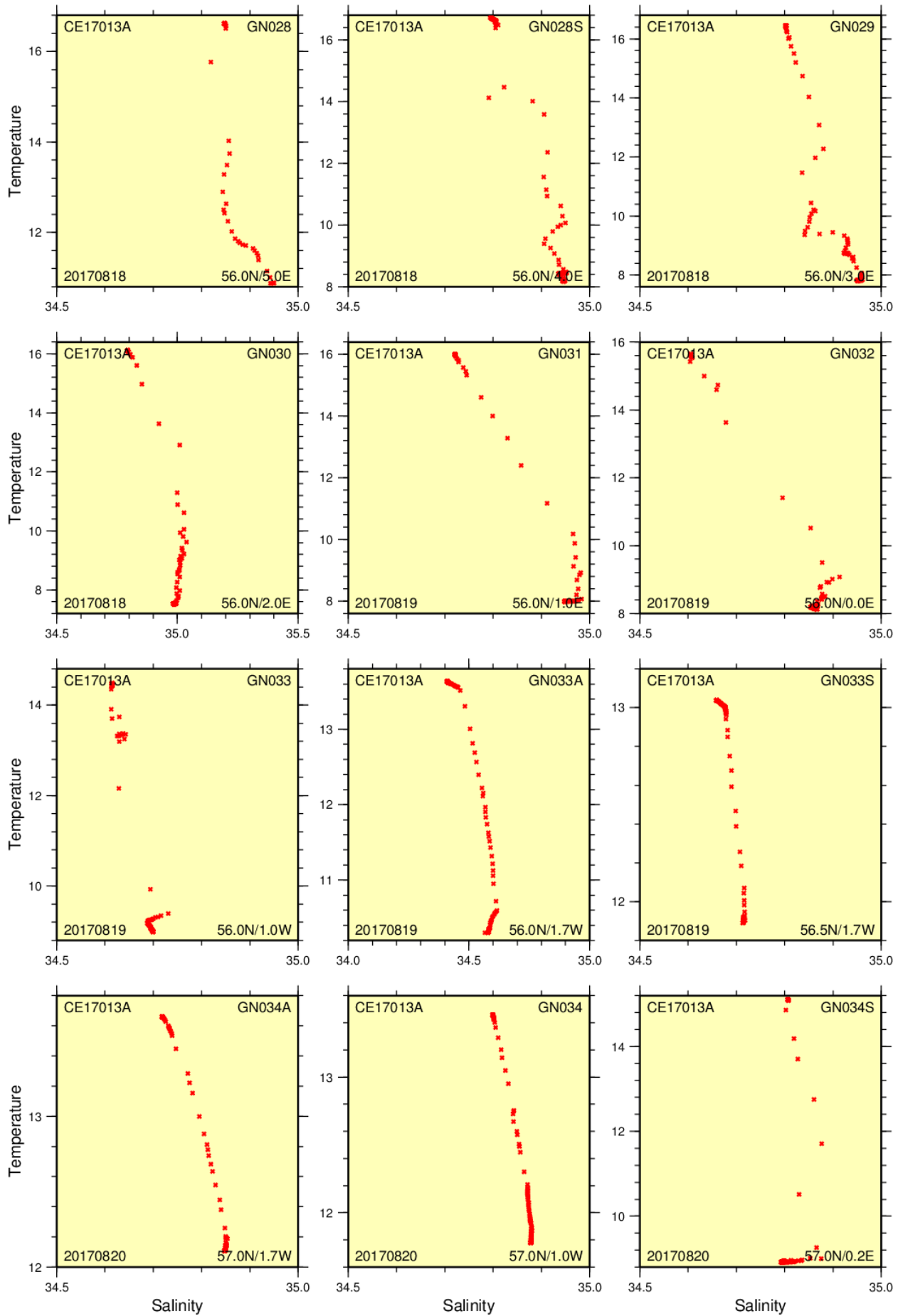
Appendix 4: T/S diagrams, all stations

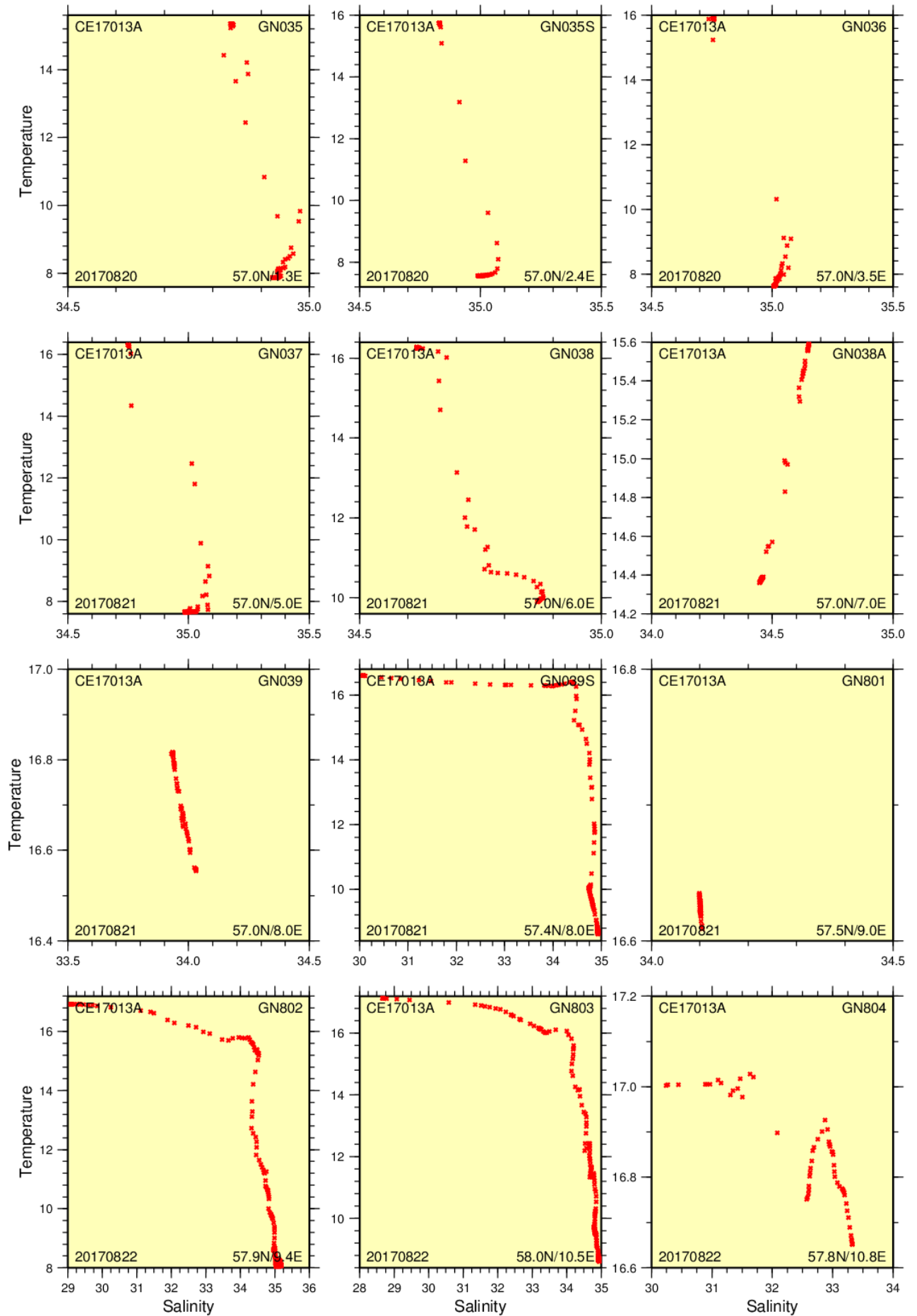
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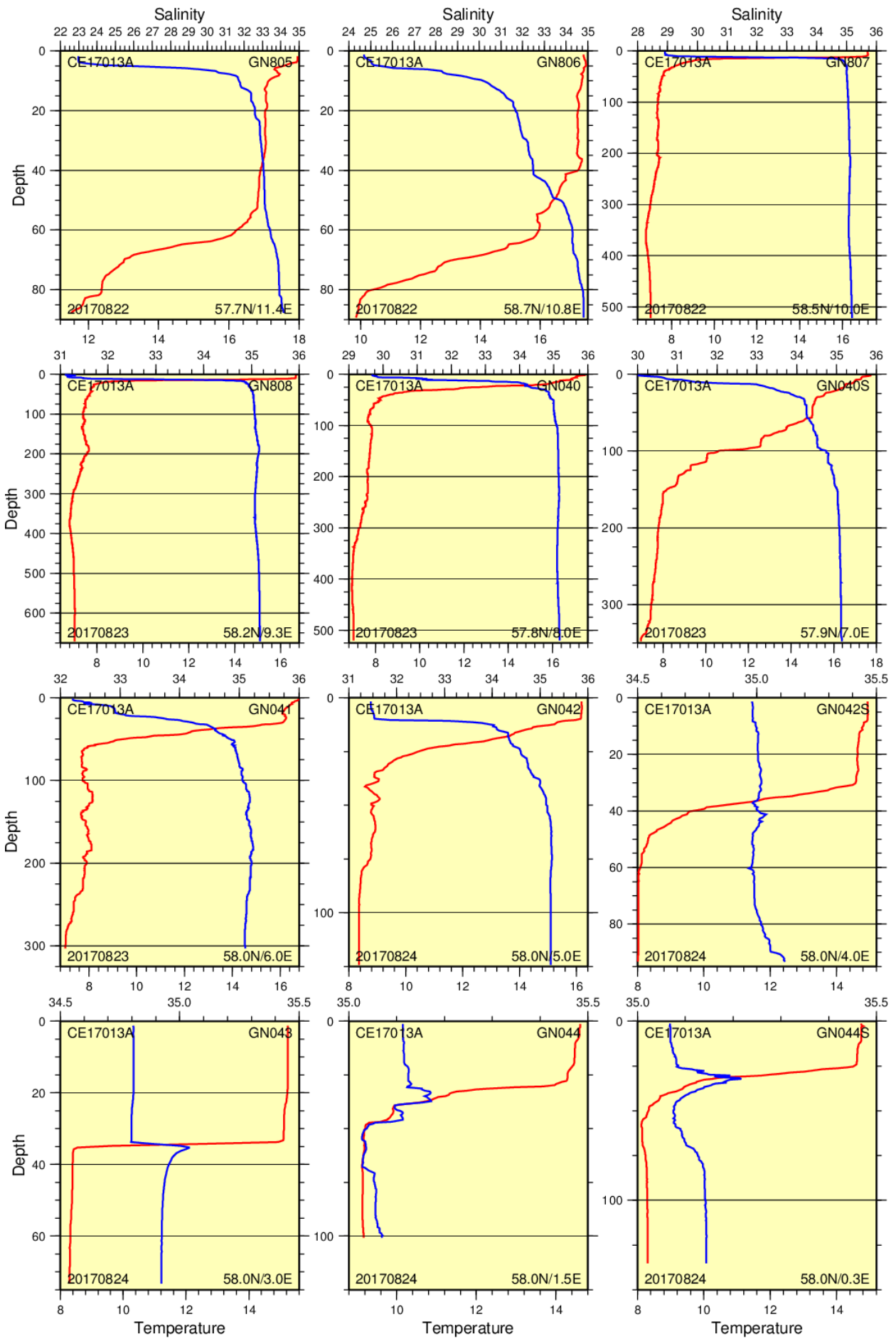


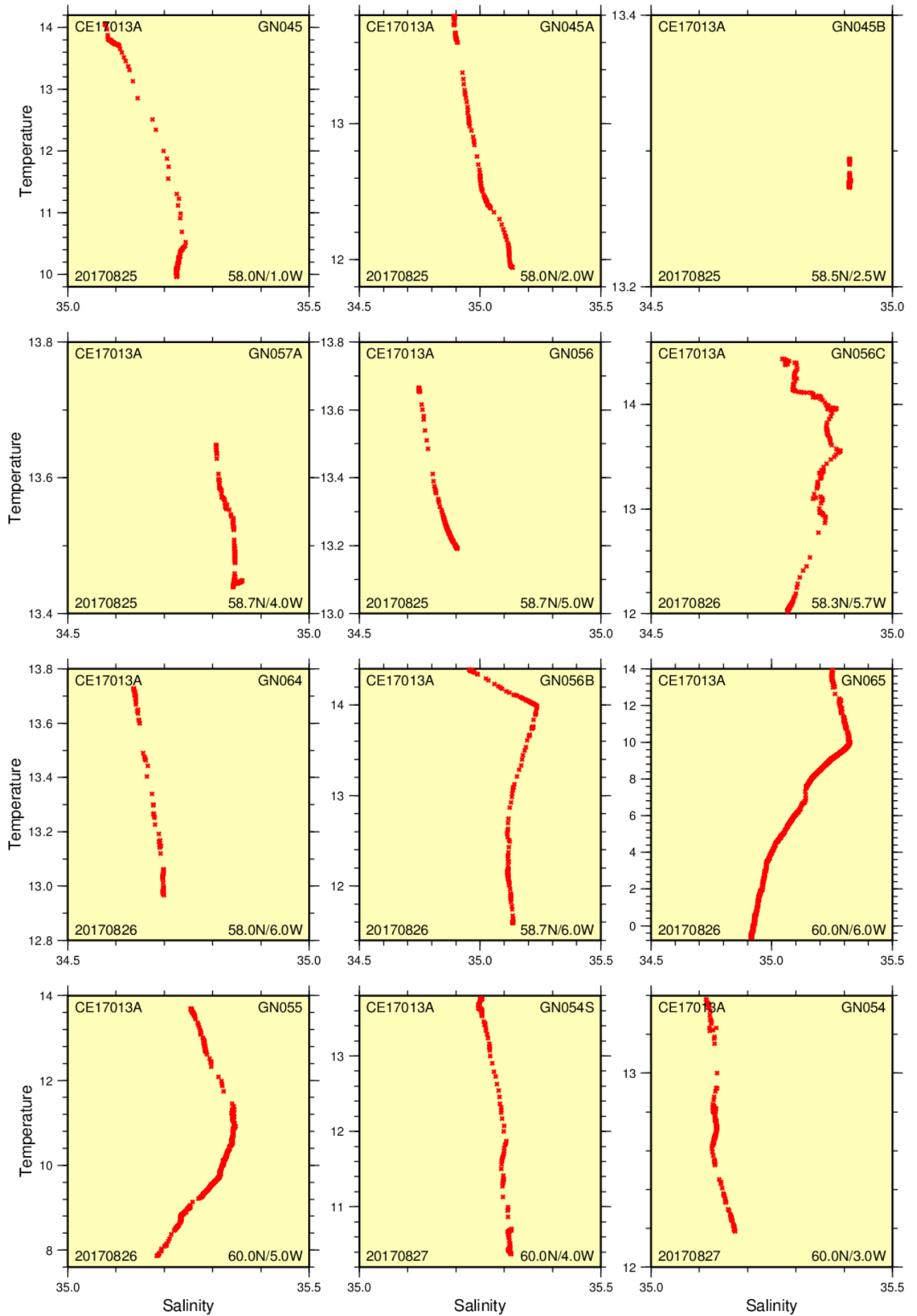


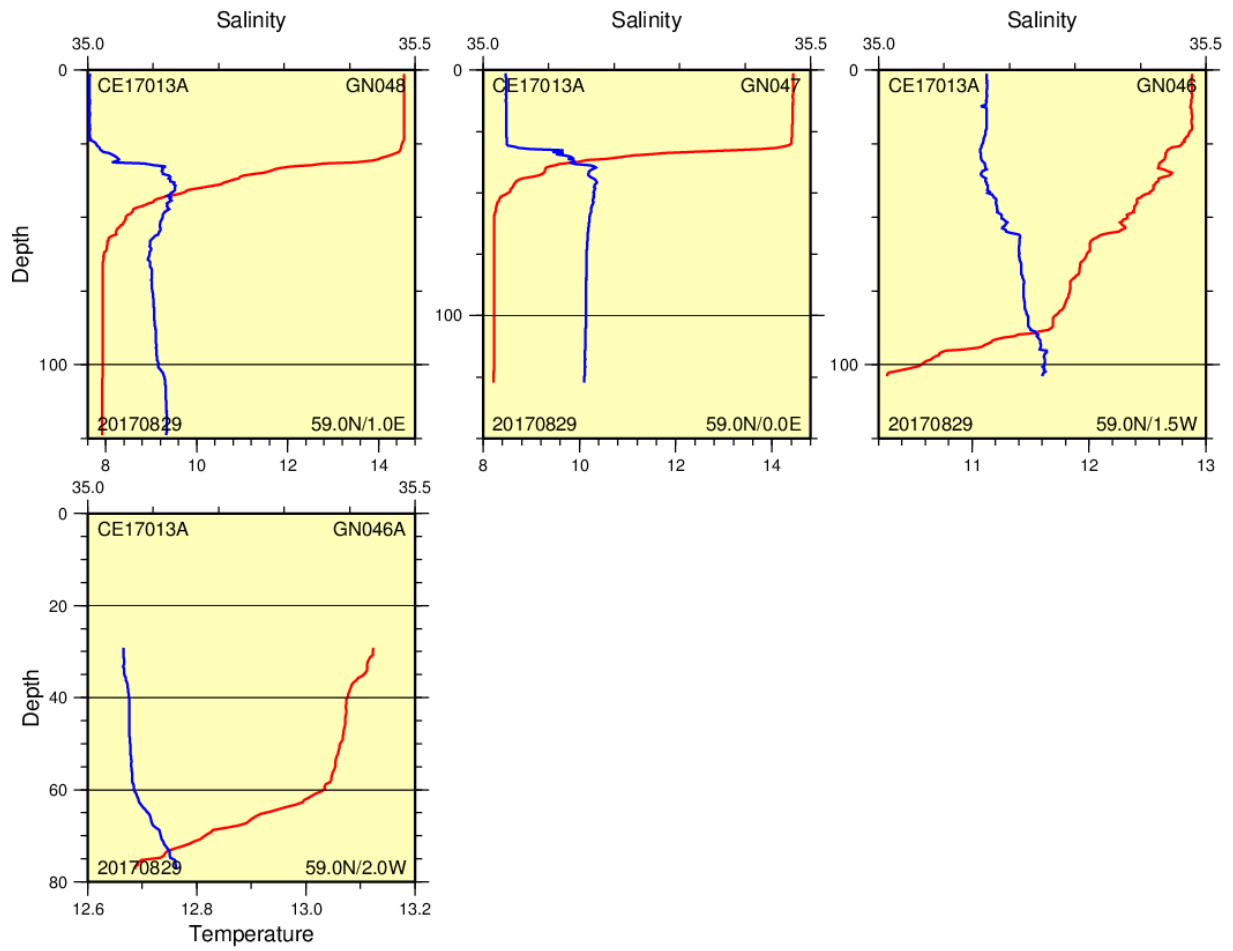












Appendix 5: Station List

Positions are taken at the beginning of the stations!

Radioactivity: Cs = Cesium-137; Sr = Strontium-90; Pu = Plutonium; H3 = Tritium; TU = Plutonium, Americium und Curium

Water depth corrected for draft (5 m)!

| station name | latitude | longitude | water depth [m] | water sampling CTD [m] | Secchi-depth [m] | radio-activity | trace metals [m] | nutrients [m] | Bedford-nr. 175nnn | date [dd.mm.yy] | time [UTC] |
|----------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| STADE | 53° 37.34' N | 009° 32.78' E | 17 | — | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 8 | — | 001 | 12.08.17 | 08:17 – 09:35 |
| MEDEM | 53° 52.80' N | 008° 43.24' E | 24 | — | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 8 | — | 002 | 12.08.17 | 11:48 – 12:05 |
| GN003 ELBE1 | 54° 00.11' N | 008° 06,65' E | 26 | bottom, 5 | 4.5 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | bottom, 5 | 003-004 | 12.08.17 | 14:46 – 15:08 |
| GN003A | 54° 00.04' N | 007° 10.08' E | 29 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 005-006 | 12.08.17 | 18:50 – 19:06 |
| GN007 | 53° 55.83' N | 006° 25.26' E | 27 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 007-008 | 12.08.17 | 22:08 – 22:23 |
| GN007A | 54° 00.04' N | 005° 40.21' E | 37 | Bottom, 5 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 009-010 | 13.08.17 | 01:21 – 01:37 |
| GN008 | 54° 00.02' N | 004° 49.84' E | 42 | bottom, 2x10, 5 | 3.5 | Cs | 10 | bottom, 5 | 011-014 | 13.08.17 | 04:31 – 05:15 |
| GN008S | 54° 00.02' N | 003° 55.03' E | 46 | bottom, 5 | 9.5 | — | — | bottom, 5 | 015-016 | 13.08.17 | 08:38 – 08:53 |
| GN009 | 54° 00.01' N | 002° 59.95' E | 42 | bottom, 2 x 10, 2x5 | 12.0 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | bottom, 5 | 017-021 | 13.08.17 | 12:24 – 13:20 |
| GN009A | 53° 24.75' N | 003° 30.75' E | 28 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs | 10 | — | 022-023 | 13.08.17 | 19:07 – 19:20 |
| GN009B | 53° 19.78' N | 004° 25.32' E | 29 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 024-025 | 13.08.17 | 22:36 – 22:53 |
| GN010 | 52° 59.95' N | 004° 00.01' E | 30 | bottom, 2 x10, 5 | — | Cs | 10 | — | 026-029 | 14.08.17 | 01:27 – 01:39 |
| GN011 | 52° 30.68' N | 004° 19.52' E | 20 | bottom, 5 | 12.0 | Cs | — | bottom, 5 | 030-031 | 14.08.17 | 05:05 – 05:16 |
| GN012 | 51° 59.92' N | 003° 43.81' E | 23 | bottom, 2 x 10, 5 | 6.0 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 10 | bottom, 5 | 032-035 | 14.08.17 | 10:17 – 10:36 |
| GN013 | 51° 41.97' N | 002° 51.48' E | 36 | bottom, 2 x 10, 5 | 5.5 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 10 | bottom, 5 | 036-039 | 14.08.17 | 13:59 – 14:14 |
| GN014 | 52° 00.37' N | 002° 00.46' E | 29 | bottom, 2 x 10, 5 | 3.0 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 10 | bottom, 5 | 040-043 | 14.08.17 | 18:47 – 19:05 |
| GN015 | 52° 30.04' N | 002° 30.07' E | 47 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs | — | — | 044-045 | 14.08.17 | 22:18 – 22:35 |
| GN015B | 52° 49.75' N | 002° 10.24' E | 42 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs | — | — | 046-047 | 15.08.17 | 01:16 – 01:28 |
| GN016 | 53° 19.77' N | 001° 40.27' E | 32 | bottom, 2 x 10, 2x5 | 11.0 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 10 | bottom, 5 | 048-052 | 15.08.17 | 05:17 – 05:34 |
| GN009S | 53° 59.95' N | 002° 00.08' E | 73 | bottom, 5 | 12.0 | — | — | — | 053-054 | 15.08.17 | 09:53 – 10:05 |
| GN017 | 54° 00.03' N | 000° 59.77' E | 44 | bottom, 2 x 10, 2x5 | 10.5 | Cs | 10 | bottom, 5 | 055-059 | 15.08.17 | 14:07 – 14:20 |
| GN017A | 53° 59.99' N | 000° 19.74' E | 52 | bottom, 5 | 11.0 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 060-061 | 15.08.17 | 17:18 – 17:33 |
| GN017S | 54° 30.08' N | 000° 10.19' W | 61 | bottom, 5 | — | — | — | — | 062-063 | 15.08.17 | 21:16 – 21:28 |
| GN018A | 55° 00.00' N | 000° 40.13' W | 66 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs | — | — | 064-065 | 16.08.17 | 01:07 – 01:20 |
| GN018 | 55° 00.24' N | 000° 00.44' W | 73 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs | — | bottom, 5 | 066-070 | 16.08.17 | 03:40 – 03:59 |
| GN018S | 55° 00.00' N | 001° 00.11' E | 63 | bottom, 5 | 15.0 | — | 10 | — | 071-072 | 16.08.17 | 07:31 – 07:45 |
| GN019 | 55° 00.02' N | 002° 00.05' E | 28 | bottom, 2x5 | 14.5 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | bottom, 5 | 073-075 | 16.08.17 | 11:16 – 11:34 |
| GN019S | 54° 59.81' N | 002° 59.90' E | 24 | bottom, 2x5 | 12.0 | — | — | — | 076-078 | 16.08.17 | 14:57 – 15:21 |
| GN020 | 55° 00.01' N | 004° 00.09' E | 47 | bottom, 2 x 10, 2x5 | — | Cs | 10 | bottom, 5 | 079-083 | 16.08.17 | 19:37 – 19:52 |

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| GN021 AWZW2 | 54° 59.99' N | 005° 00.02' E | 41 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs | — | — | 084-085 | 16.08.17 | 23:29 – 23:41 |
| GN022 | 54° 59.91' N | 006° 15.05' E | 44 | bottom, 2x5 | — | Cs | — | bottom, 5 | 086-088 | 17.08.17 | 03:59 – 04:14 |
| GN022A | 55° 00.04' N | 007° 00.25' E | 32 | bottom, 5 | 9.5 | Cs | — | — | 089-090 | 17.08.17 | 07:01 – 07:16 |
| GN023 | 55° 00.07' N | 007° 34.98' E | 25 | bottom, 5 | 7.5 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 091-092 | 17.08.17 | 09:31 – 09:45 |
| GN024 | 54° 59.98' N | 007° 59.97' E | 16 | bottom, 5 | 6.0 | — | — | bottom, 5 | 093-094 | 17.08.17 | 11:35 – 12:17 |
| GN025 | 54° 59.93' N | 008° 15.07' E | 13 | bottom, 5 | 6.0 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 095-096 | 17.08.17 | 13:15 – 13:33 |
| GN026 | 56° 00.04' N | 007° 47.95' E | 27 | bottom, 2x10, 5 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 10 | bottom, 5 | 097-100 | 17.08.17 | 21:08 – 21:25 |
| GN026A | 56° 00.02' N | 007° 00.02' E | 35 | bottom, 2x10, 5 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 10 | — | 101-104 | 18.08.17 | 00:33 – 00:49 |
| GN027 | 55° 59.92' N | 006° 00.03' E | 48 | bottom, 2x5 | — | Cs | — | — | 105-106 | 18.08.17 | 04:26 – 04:40 |
| GN028 | 55° 59.81' N | 004° 59.99' E | 43 | bottom, 2x10, 2x5 | 11.0 | Cs | 10 | bottom, 5 | 107-111 | 18.08.17 | 08:14 – 08:29 |
| GN028S | 55° 59.95' N | 003° 59.97' E | 57 | bottom, 5 | 13.5 | — | — | — | 112-113 | 18.08.17 | 12:12 – 12:25 |
| GN029 | 56° 00.01' N | 003° 00.29' E | 73 | bottom, 2x5 | 13.0 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | bottom, 5 | 114-116 | 18.08.17 | 17:09 – 17:27 |
| GN030 | 56° 00.00' N | 002° 00.10' E | 87 | bottom, 2x10, 5 | — | Cs | 10 | — | 117-120 | 18.08.17 | 21:54 – 22:11 |
| GN031 | 56° 00.03' N | 001° 00.15' E | 77 | bottom, 3x5 | — | Cs | — | — | 121-124 | 19.08.17 | 04:19 – 04:44 |
| GN032 | 55° 59.98' N | 000° 00.09' E | 87 | bottom, 2x5 | 9.0 | Cs | — | bottom, 5 | 125-127 | 19.08.17 | 10:53 – 11:05 |
| GN033 | 55° 59.93' N | 000° 59.78' W | 64 | bottom, 2x10, 2x5 | 10.0 | Cs | 10 | bottom, 5 | 128-132 | 19.08.17 | 15:30 – 15:44 |
| GN033A | 55° 59.94' N | 001° 40.50' W | 64 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 133-134 | 19.08.17 | 18:30 – 18:45 |
| GN033S | 56° 30.03' N | 001° 40.32' W | 52 | bottom, 5 | — | — | — | — | 135-136 | 19.08.17 | 22:01 – 22:11 |
| GN034A | 56° 59.99' N | 001° 40.30' W | 77 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 137-138 | 20.08.17 | 01:37 – 01:52 |
| GN034 | 56° 59.96' N | 001° 00.25' W | 71 | bottom, 2x10, 2x5 | — | Cs | 10 | bottom, 5 | 139-143 | 20.08.17 | 04:07 – 04:26 |
| GN034S | 57° 00.05' N | 000° 10.03' E | 83 | bottom, 5 | 13.0 | — | — | — | 144-145 | 20.08.17 | 08:19 – 08:33 |
| GN035 | 56° 59.95' N | 001° 19.80' E | 99 | bottom, 2x5 | 13.0 | Cs | — | bottom, 5 | 146-148 | 20.08.17 | 13:00 – 13:13 |
| GN035S | 57° 00.07' N | 002° 25.08' E | 82 | bottom, 5 | 11.0 | — | — | 2x | 149-150 | 20.08.17 | 17:04 – 17:22 |
| GN036 | 56° 59.99' N | 003° 29.99' E | 65 | bottom, 2x10, 2x5 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 10 | bottom, 5 | 151-155 | 20.08.17 | 21:12 – 21:33 |
| GN037 | 57° 00.09' N | 004° 59.71' E | 58 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs | — | — | 156-157 | 21.08.17 | 02:49 – 03:05 |
| GN038 | 57° 00.02' N | 006° 00.18' E | 51 | bottom, 2x10, 5 | 14.5 | Cs | 10 | — | 158-161 | 21.08.17 | 06:37 – 06:54 |
| GN038A | 56° 59.97' N | 006° 59.99' E | 33 | bottom, 5 | 12.0 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 162-163 | 21.08.17 | 10:12 – 10:34 |
| GN039 | 57° 00.01' N | 008° 00.00' E | 35 | bottom, 2x10, 5 | 7.5 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 10 | bottom, 5 | 164-167 | 21.08.17 | 14:04 – 14:23 |
| GN039S | 57° 25.14' N | 008° 00.27' E | 93 | bottom, 5 | — | — | — | — | 168-169 | 21.08.17 | 18:06 – 18:20 |
| GN801 | 57° 30.04' N | 009° 00.16' E | 25 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 10 | — | 170-171 | 21.08.17 | 21:43 – 22:07 |
| GN802 | 57° 56.94' N | 009° 25.30' E | 220 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 172-173 | 22.08.17 | 02:59 – 03:53 |
| GN803 | 57° 59.96' N | 010° 29.97' E | 125 | bottom, 2x5 | 11.0 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 174-175 | 22.08.17 | 07:26 – 07:44 |
| GN804 | 57° 45.99' N | 010° 46.28' E | 32 | bottom, 10, 5 | 6.5 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 10 | — | 176-178 | 22.08.17 | 09:43 – 10:14 |
| GN805 | 57° 40.22' N | 011° 25.17' E | 88 | bottom, 20 | 10.0 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 12 | — | 179-180 | 22.08.17 | 12:28 – 13:13 |

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| GN806 | 58° 40.18' N | 010° 46.68' E | 94 | bottom, 20 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 181-182 | 22.08.17 | 20:29 – 20:46 |
| GN807 | 58° 30.04' N | 009° 59.98' E | 527 | bottom, 20 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 10 | — | 183-184 | 22.08.17 | 23:22 – 00:26 |
| GN808 | 58° 13.25' N | 009° 19.76' E | 676 | 2xbottom, 5 270 l at 100 and 255 m | 12.5 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 185-187 | 23.08.17 | 03:15 – 07:47 |
| GN040 | 57° 49.78' N | 007° 59.88' E | 524 | bottom, 2x5 | 11.5 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 5 | bottom, 5 | 188-190 | 23.08.17 | 12:31 – 14:37 |
| GN040S | 57° 55.29' N | 006° 59.85' E | 349 | bottom, 5 | — | — | — | — | 191-192 | 23.08.17 | 17:38 – 18:13 |
| GN041 | 58° 00.02' N | 005° 59.61' E | 307 | bottom, 2x5 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 15 | bottom, 5 | 193-196 | 23.08.17 | 21:42 – 22:23 |
| GN042 | 57° 59.97' N | 005° 00.02' E | 126 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs | 5 | — | 197-198 | 24.08.17 | 01:46 – 02:15 |
| GN042S | 57° 59.93' N | 004° 00.11' E | 98 | bottom, 5 | — | — | — | — | 199-200 | 24.08.17 | 05:24 – 05:40 |
| GN043 | 58° 00.08' N | 003° 00.17' E | 77 | bottom, 2x5 | >12.0 | Cs | — | bottom, 5 | 201-203 | 24.08.17 | 09:00 – 09:12 |
| GN044 | 58° 00.03' N | 001° 30.04' E | 105 | bottom, 10, 2x5 | 14.5 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 10 | bottom, 5 | 204-207 | 24.08.17 | 14:09 – 14:36 |
| GN044S | 58° 00.02' N | 000° 15.11' E | 140 | bottom, 5 | — | — | — | — | 208-209 | 24.08.17 | 19:27 – 19:44 |
| GN045 | 57° 59.99' N | 001° 00.08' W | 115 | bottom, 10 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 10 | — | 210-211 | 25.08.17 | 00:04 – 00:30 |
| GN045A | 58° 00.03' N | 002° 00.04' W | 86 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 212-213 | 25.08.17 | 03:49 – 04:10 |
| GN045B | 58° 30.10' N | 002° 30.10' W | 70 | bottom, 5 | 14.5 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 214-215 | 25.08.17 | 09:19 – 09:35 |
| GN057A | 58° 44.94' N | 004° 00.32' W | 90 | bottom, 5 | 12.0 | Cs | — | — | 216-217 | 25.08.17 | 16:27 – 16:44 |
| GN056 | 58° 44.93' N | 005° 00.07' W | 87 | bottom, 10, 2x5 | — | Cs | 10 | bottom, 5 | 218-221 | 25.08.17 | 19:45 – 20:14 |
| GN056C | 58° 19.86' N | 005° 40.26' W | 109 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 222-223 | 26.08.17 | 00:01 – 00:17 |
| GN064 | 58° 00.07' N | 005° 59.63' W | 55 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 10 | — | 224-225 | 26.08.17 | 02:42 – 03:11 |
| GN056B | 58° 44.96' N | 005° 59.97' W | 119 | bottom, 5 | 10.0 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 226-227 | 26.08.17 | 08:05 – 08:21 |
| GN065 | 59° 59.83' N | 005° 59.84' W | 1060 | 2xbottom, 2x5 270 l at 44, 228, 486 and 1035 m | 15.0 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 10 | bottom, 5 | 228-231 | 26.08.17 | 16:26 – 19:45 |
| GN055 | 60° 00.03' N | 004° 59.99' W | 412 | bottom, 2 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 232-233 | 26.08.17 | 22:48 – 23:27 |
| GN054S | 59° 59.95' N | 003° 59.92' W | 132 | 2xbottom, 5 | — | — | — | — | 234-236 | 27.08.17 | 02:29 – 02:46 |
| GN054 | 59° 59.93' N | 003° 00.06' W | 102 | bottom, 2x5 | — | Cs | 10 | bottom, 5 | 237-239 | 27.08.17 | 05:56 – 06:23 |
| GN053B | 60° 00.00' N | 001° 59.91' W | 87 | bottom, 5 | 13.0 | Cs | — | — | 240-241 | 27.08.17 | 09:42 – 09:53 |
| GN053A | 59° 47.99' N | 001° 19.68' W | 86 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs | — | — | 242-243 | 27.08.17 | 12:22 – 12:34 |
| GN053 | 59° 59.88' N | 000° 30.12' W | 127 | bottom, 2x5 | 10.0 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | bottom, 5 | 244-246 | 27.08.17 | 15:38 – 16:13 |
| GN052S | 60° 00.00' N | 000° 45.13' E | 128 | bottom, 5 | — | — | — | — | 247-248 | 27.08.17 | 19:59 – 20:15 |
| GN052 | 59° 59.97' N | 001° 59.98' E | 102 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs | 10 | — | 249-250 | 28.08.17 | 00:06 – 00:32 |
| GN051S | 59° 59.93' N | 003° 15.03' E | 217 | 2xbottom, 5 | — | — | — | — | 251-253 | 28.08.17 | 04:26 – 04:50 |
| GN051 | 60° 00.10' N | 004° 30.05' E | 262 | 2xbottom, 3x10, 2x5 | 10.0 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 10 | bottom, 20, 5 | 254-260 | 28.08.17 | 09:03 – 09:42 |
| GN050S | 59° 29.99' N | 004° 30.03' E | 266 | 2xbottom, 5 | 9.0 | — | — | — | 261-263 | 28.08.17 | 15:05 – 15:27 |
| GN050 | 58° 59.99' N | 004° 30.02' E | 260 | 2xbottom, 2x5 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 10 | bottom, 5 | 264-267 | 28.08.17 | 19:38 – 20:13 |
| GN049S | 59° 00.04' N | 003° 45.03' E | 273 | bottom, 5 | — | — | — | — | 268-269 | 28.08.17 | 00:06 – 00:30 |

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| GN049 | 58° 59.97' N | 002° 59.93' E | 137 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs | — | — | 270-271 | 29.08.17 | 02:36 – 02:54 |
| GN048S | 58° 59.91' N | 001° 59.91' E | 115 | bottom, 5 | 18.8 | — | — | — | 272-273 | 29.08.17 | 06:35 – 06:48 |
| GN048 | 59° 00.01' N | 001° 00.04' E | 125 | bottom, 2x5 | 16.5 | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | 10 | bottom, 5 | 274-276 | 29.08.17 | 10:34 – 11:02 |
| GN047 | 59° 00.03' N | 000° 00.17' E | 133 | bottom, 2x5 | 16.5 | Cs | — | bottom, 5 | 277-279 | 29.08.17 | 15:14 – 15:29 |
| GN046 | 58° 59.98' N | 001° 30.18' W | 106 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs | 10 | — | 280-281 | 29.08.17 | 21:03 – 21:32 |
| GN046A | 59° 00.00' N | 001° 59.98' W | 78 | bottom, 5 | — | Cs/Sr//H3/TU | — | — | 282-283 | 29.08.17 | 23:17 – 23:32 |