Weston Bay Directional Waverider Buoy

Location

OS: 329183E 162109N

WGS84: *Latitude:* 51° 21.217' N *Longitude:* 03° 01.101' W

Water Depth

~13 m CD

Instrument Type

Datawell Directional Waverider Mk III

Data Quality

Recovery rate (%)	Sample interval
98	30 minutes

Statistics - 2011

All times are GMT

Month	H_s (m)	T_p (s)	T_z (s)	Dir. (^{o})	SST (^{o}C)	No. of days
January	0.30	4.6	3.2	212	4.3	31
February	0.38	5.9	3.4	246	5.6	28
March	0.25	4.6	3.1	202	7.2	31
April	0.29	4.5	3.2	218	11.2	30
May	0.58	4.6	3.2	236	13.6	29
June	0.49	4.5	3.2	241	15.4	30
July	0.38	4.6	3.1	244	17.4	30
August	0.41	4.5	3.1	249	18.1	30
September	0.56	4.9	3.4	253	16.5	30
October	0.52	4.8	3.3	249	15.0	31
November	0.34	5.4	3.2	227	12.4	29
December	0.77	5.3	3.6	255	8.5	31

Storm Analysis

Date/Time	H_s (m)	T_p (s)	T_z (s)	Dir. (^{o})	Water level elevation* (OD)	Tidal stage (hours re. HW)	Tidal range (m)	Tidal surge* (m)	Max. surge* (m)
13-Dec-2011 08:00	2.02	5.6	4.4	263	-	-	-	-	-
16-Sep-2011 22:00	1.99	5.9	4.4	267	-	-	-	-	-

* *Tidal information is obtained from the nearest recording tide gauge (the National Network gauge at Hinkley Point). The surge shown is the residual at the time of the highest H_s. The maximum tidal surge is the largest surge during the storm event.*

Annual Statistics

Year	Annual H_s exceedance* (m)						Annual Maximum H_s	
	0.05%	0.5%	1%	2%	5%	10%	Date	A_{max} (m)
2009	-	-	-	1.42	1.20	1.02	14-Nov-2009 15:30	2.42
2010	2.28	1.45	1.23	1.07	0.85	0.69	12-Nov-2010 00:00	2.77
2011	1.85	1.64	1.52	1.36	1.14	0.93	13-Dec-2011 08:00	2.02

** i.e. 5 % of the H_s values measured in 2009 exceeded 1.20 m*

Distribution plots

The distribution of wave parameters are shown in the accompanying graphs of:

- Annual time series of H_s (red line is 2.0 m storm threshold)
- Wave roses (Direction vs. H_s and vs. T_p) for all measured data
- Percentage of occurrence of H_s, T_p, T_z and Direction for 2011
- Incidence of storm waves for 2011. Storm events are defined using the Peaks-over-Threshold method. The highest H_s of each storm event is shown
- Joint distribution of all parameters for all measured data, given as percentage of occurrence

General

The buoy, owned by the Environment Agency (Southwest Region), was first deployed on 11 September 2009.

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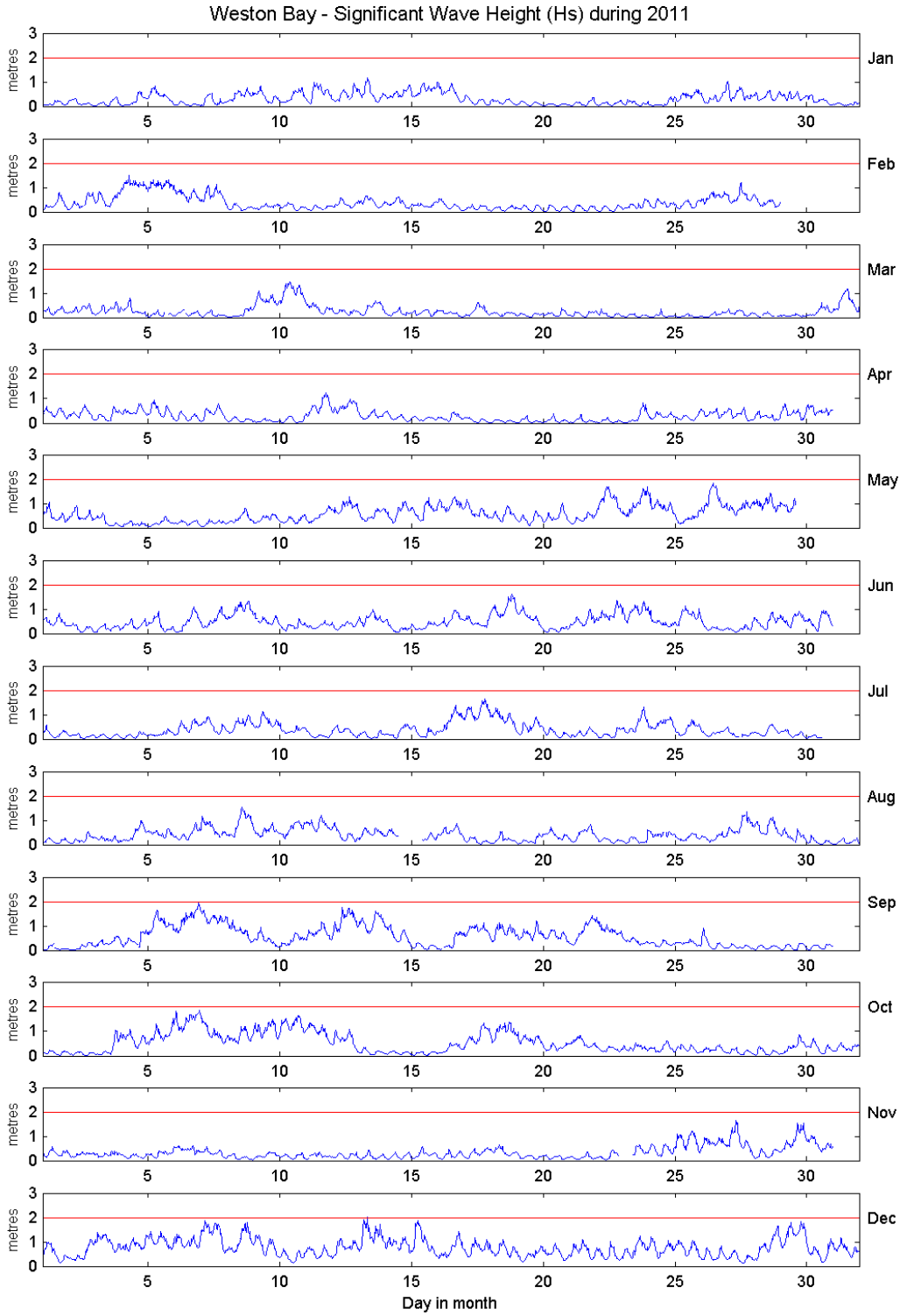
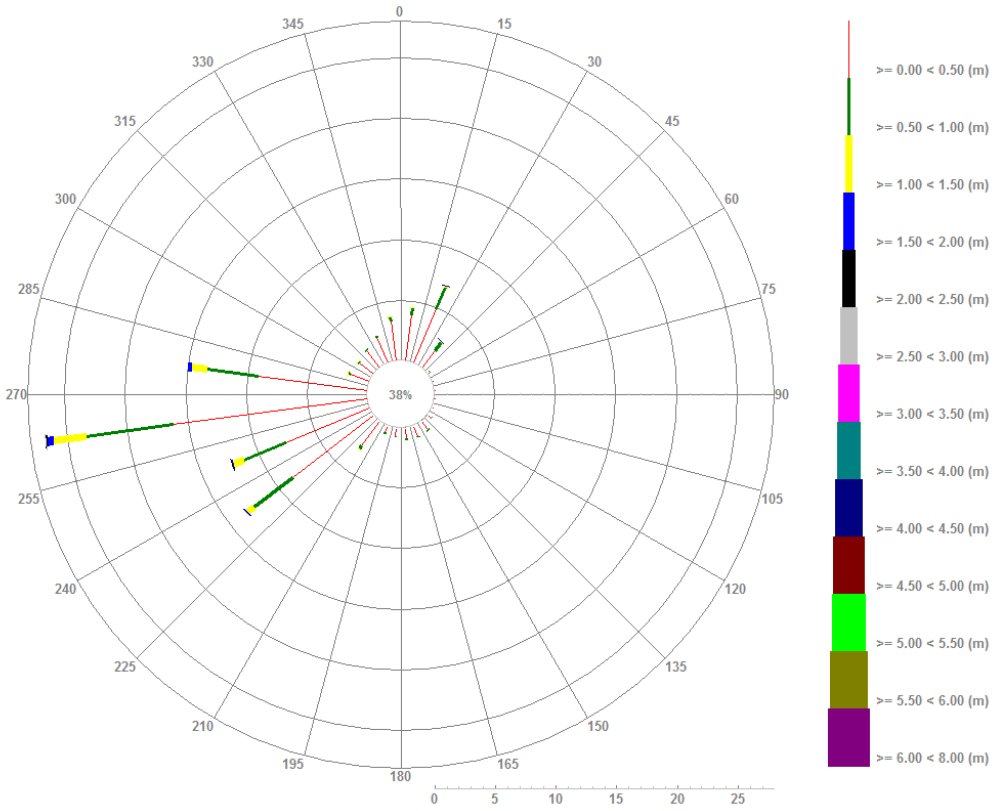

Weston Bay - Significant Wave Height (Hs) during 2011
metres
Jan
Feb
Mar
Apr
May
Jun
Jul
Aug
Sep
Oct
Nov
Dec
0
1
2
3
5
10
15
20
25
30
Day in month

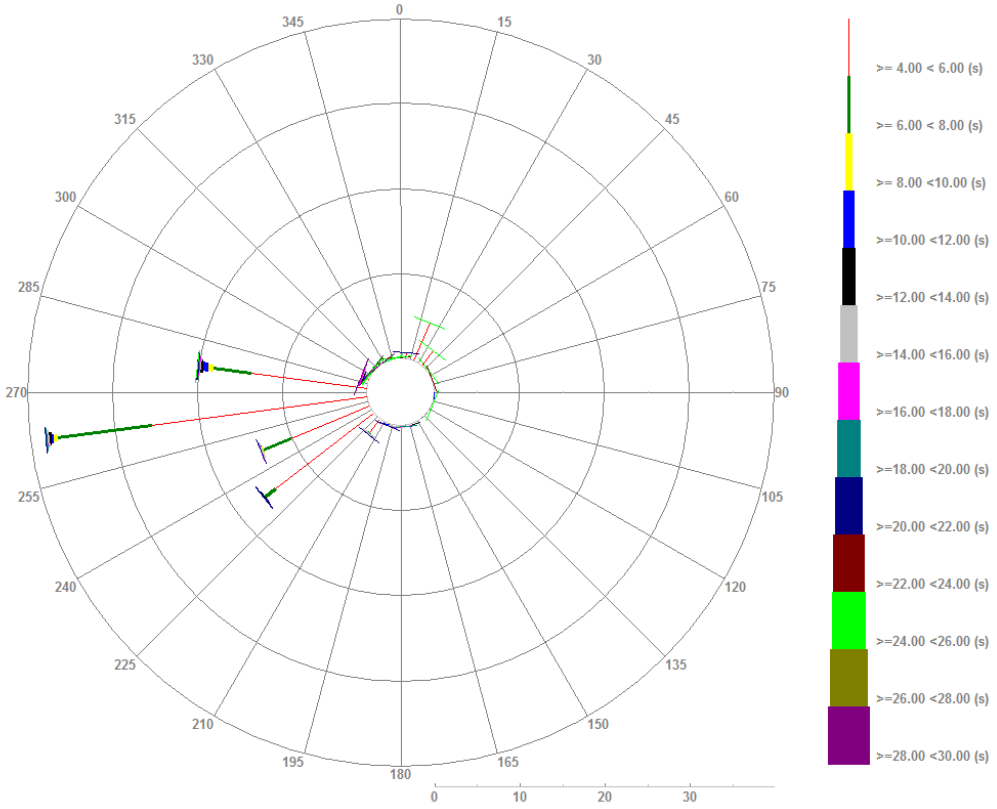
Offshore Wave Hs (m)

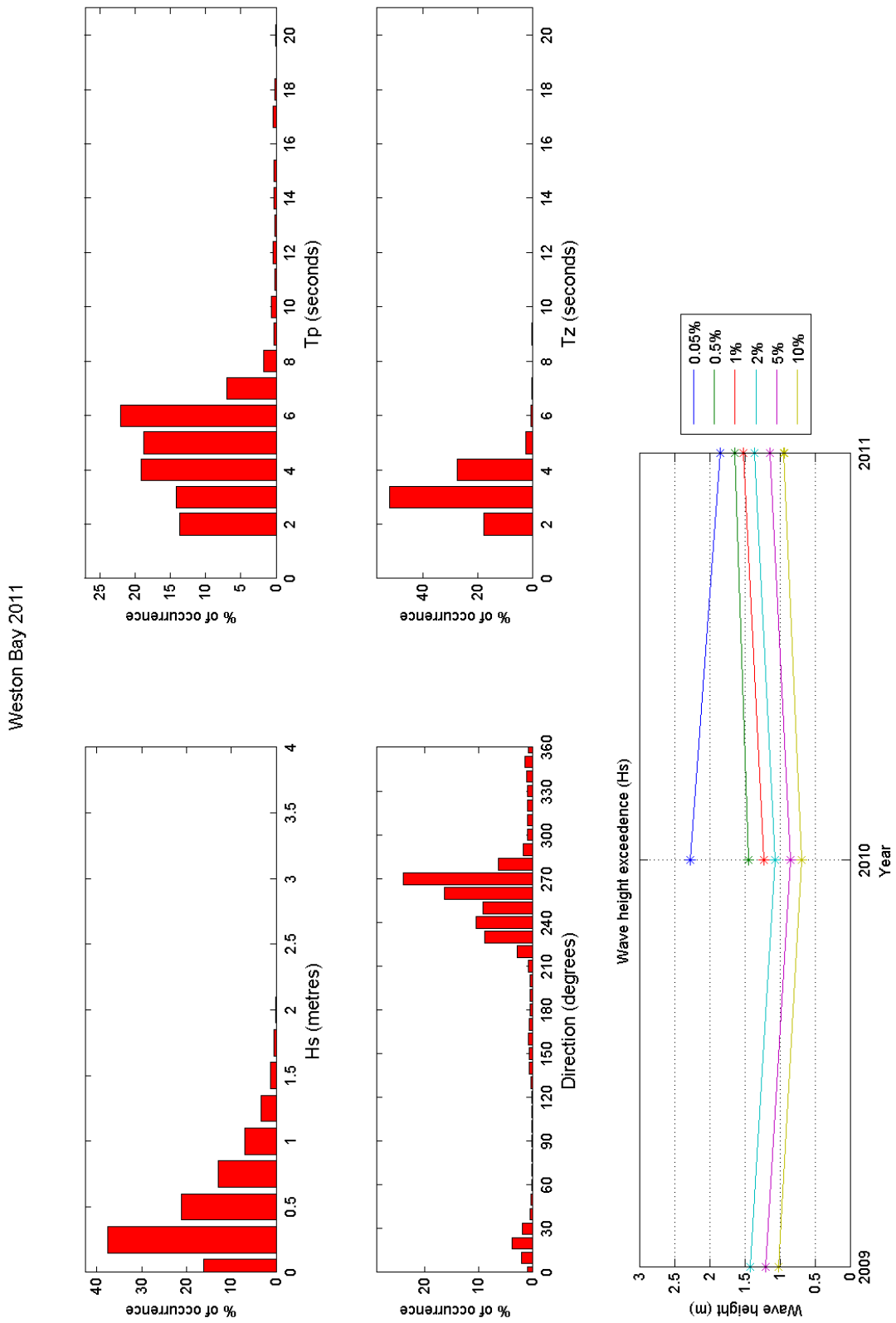
Weston Bay WB : 11/09/2009 - 31/12/2011

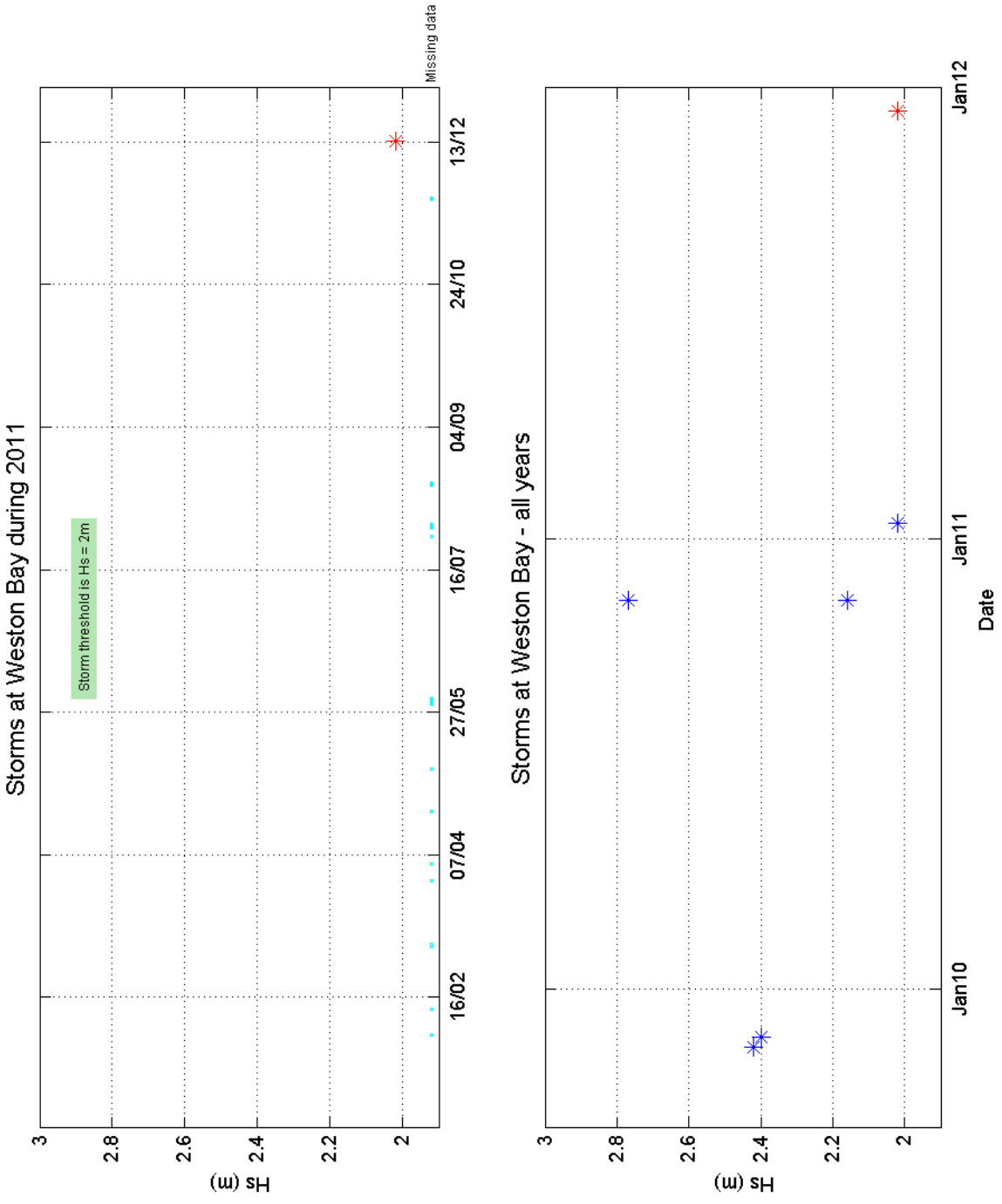


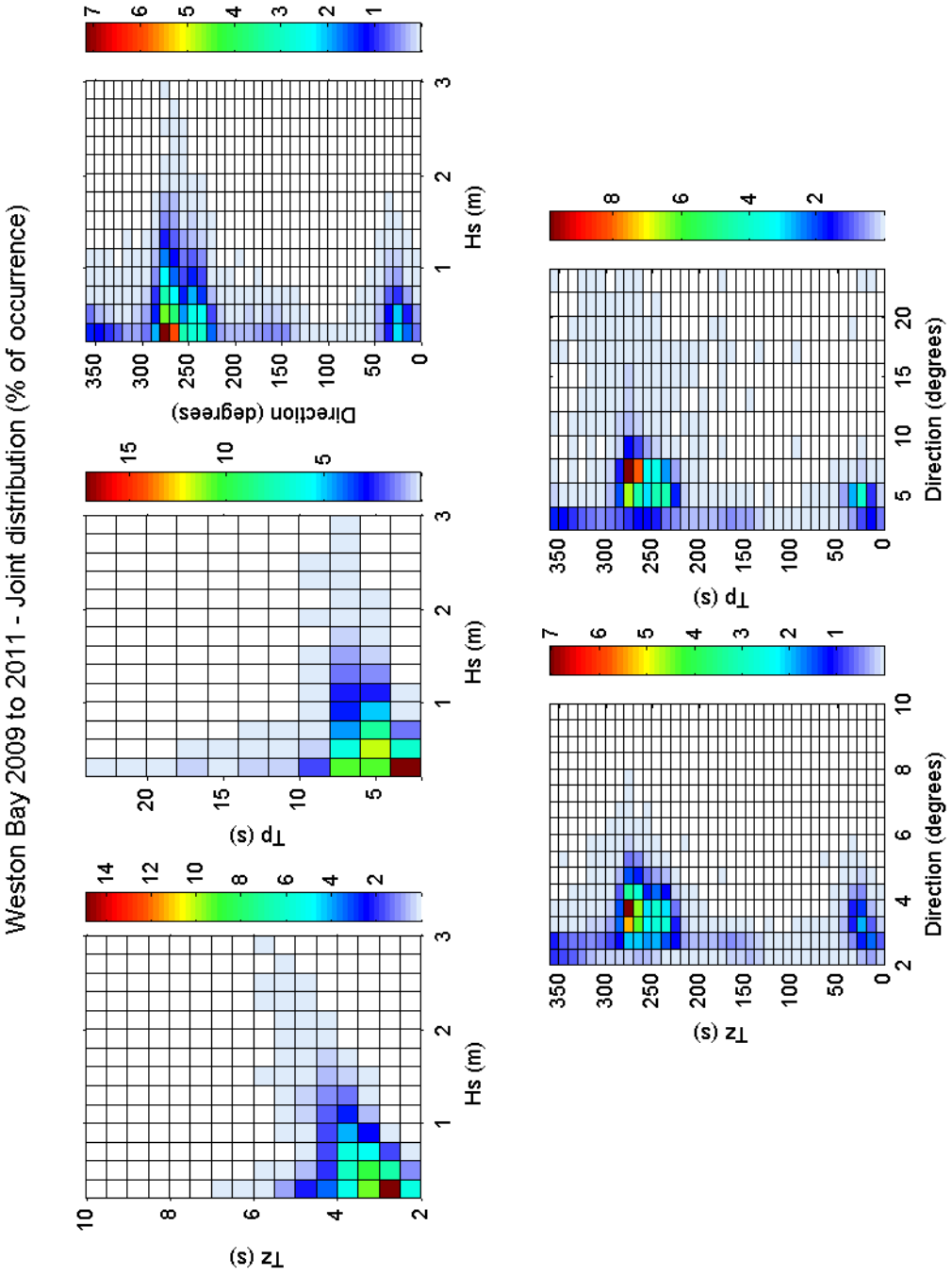
Offshore Wave Tp (s)

Weston Bay WB : 11/09/2009 - 31/12/2011




Weston Bay 2011
% of occurrence
Hs (metres)
Direction (degrees)
Tp (seconds)
Tz (seconds)
Wave height exceedence (Hs)
Wave height (m)
Year
0.05%
0.5%
1%
2%
5%
10%


Storms at Weston Bay during 2011
Storm threshold is Hs = 2m
Missing data
Hs (m)
3
2.8
2.6
2.4
2.2
2
16/02
07/04
27/05
16/07
04/09
24/10
13/12
Storms at Weston Bay - all years
Hs (m)
Jan10
Jan11
Jan12
Date


Weston Bay 2009 to 2011 - Joint distribution (% of occurrence)
Hs (m)
Direction (degrees)
Tp (s)
Tz (s)