

Interactive comment on “Transit and residence times in the surface Adriatic Sea as derived from drifter data and Lagrangian numerical simulations” by P.-M. Poulain and S. Hariri

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The sub-sampling every 6h (see end of page 202) is intended to increase the reliability of the computed statistics. Actually given the Lagrangian integral time scale of 1-2 days, only sub-tracks initiated at 2-4 day intervals can be considered independent. So it appears that the sub-sampling every 6h is exaggerated but it does not, whatsoever, affect the mean statistics computed, and above all, does not introduce any artificial bias in the mean estimates.

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