

Automation
Control
Engineering

argoTrackPilot / AlphaRiverTrackPilot
Past, Present, Future

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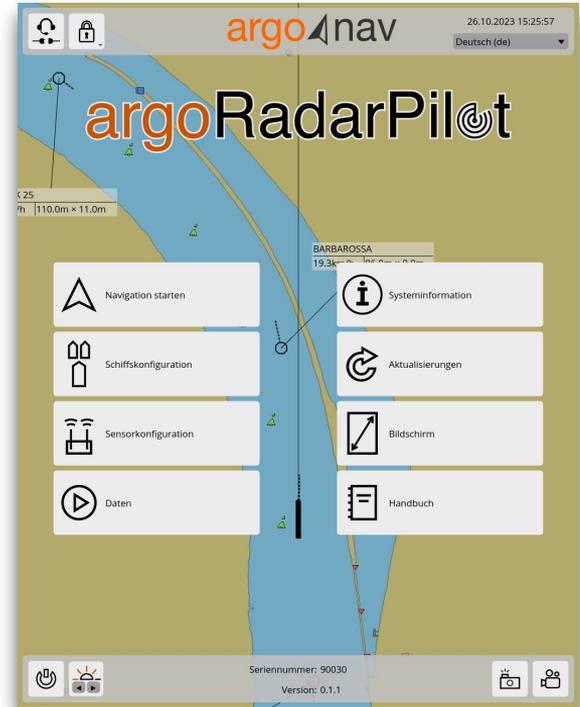


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AlphaRiverTrackPilot

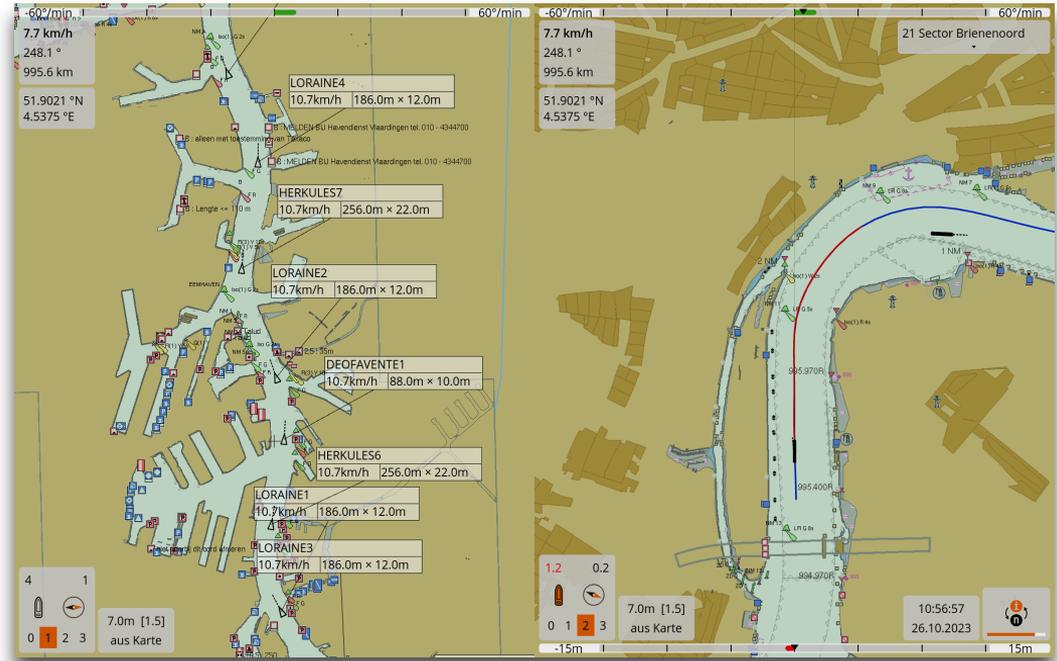
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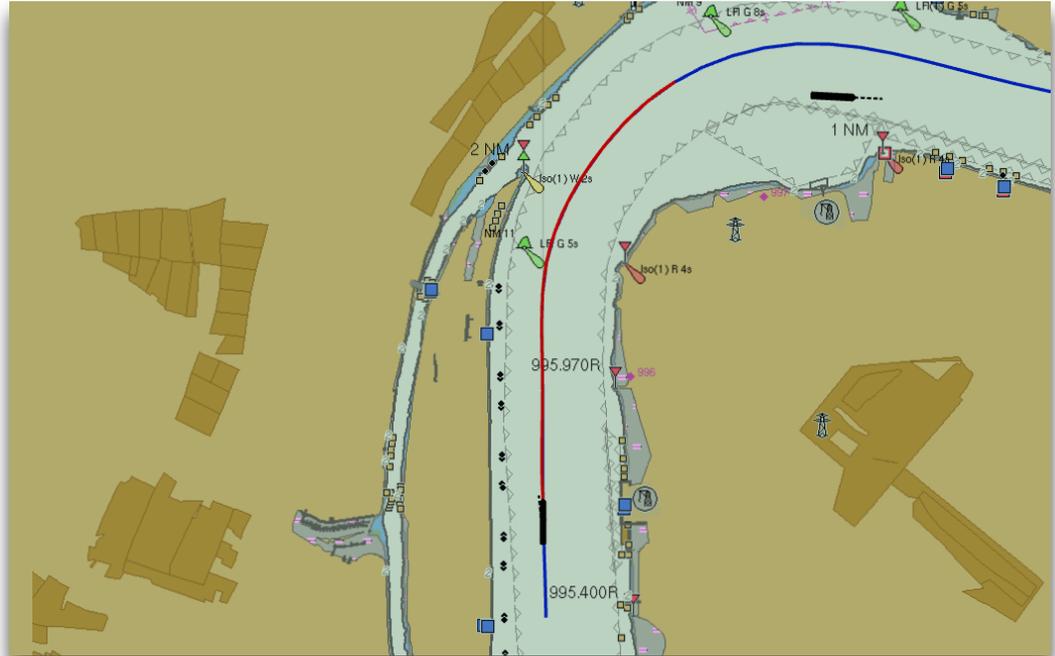
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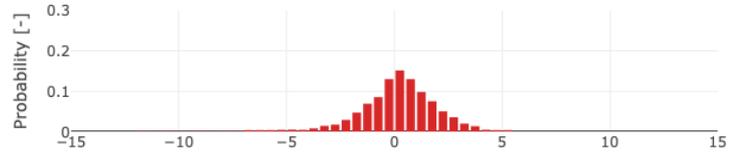
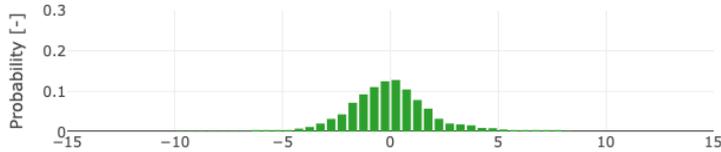
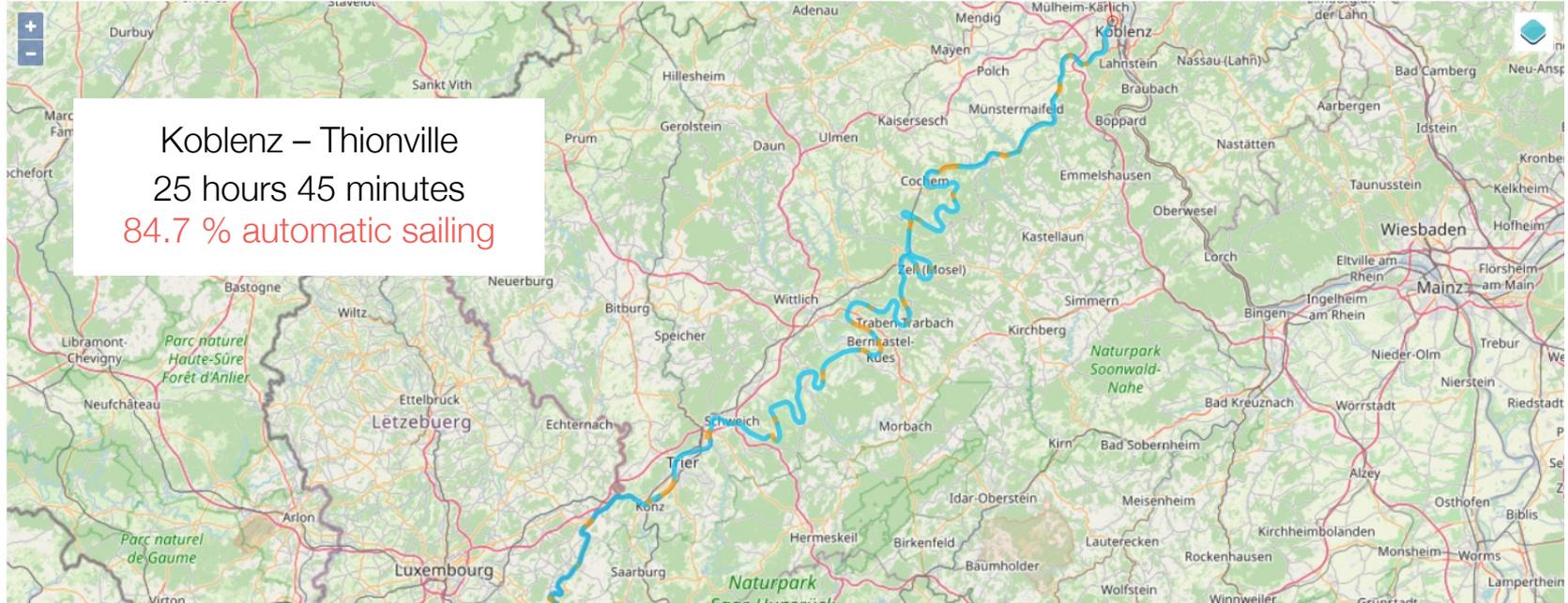


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Performance – manual vs. automatic

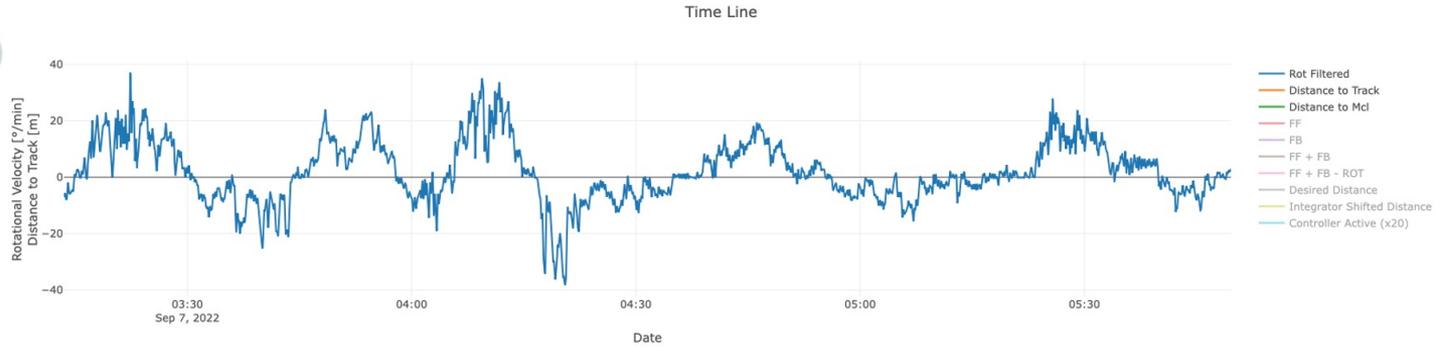


Distance to Model Control Loop Left Turn [m]

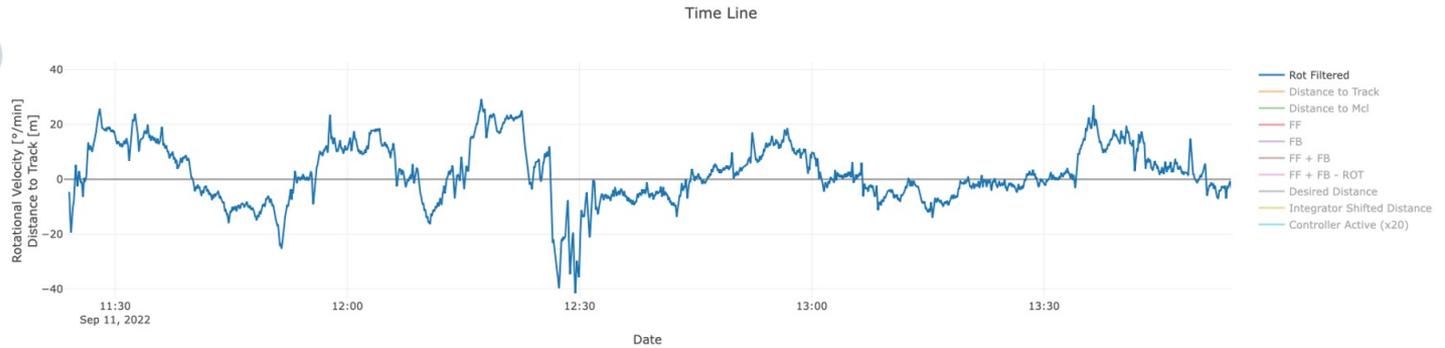
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Performance

OFF



ON



Reduction of ROT changes by 28% with active **argoTrackPilot**

Performance

Fahrzeit mit TrackPilot (in Stunden)

Platz	Schiff	Stunden (h)
1	G***	802,48
2	R***	732,92
3	C***	730,47
4	C***	698,59
5	M***	681,73
6	L***	669,36
7	J***	654,53
8	V***	636,75
9	E***	604,49
10	R***	602,47

Anteil an der Gesamtfahrzeit (in Prozent)

Platz	Schiff	Prozent %
1	O***	90.63
2	R***	89.60
3	C***	89.12
4	D***	87.86
5	T***	84.22
6	I***	84.03
7	L***	83.72
8	C***	83.44
9	D***	82.55
10	P***	82.34

Tabellen aktualisiert am **20. November 2023**.

Last 90 days

Feedback

Willem, Ora et Labora

„Jetzt geht er wirklich top! So gut kann ich nicht von Hand fahren. So wenig Sprit hab ich noch nicht gebraucht auf der Mosel.“ (02.06.2020, Fahrt auf der Mosel zu Berg)

Cornelius Heuvelmann, Providence:

„Geen bocht te gek voor de Trackpilot. Beste uitvinding sinds jaren.“

(„Keine Kurve zu eng für den TrackPilot. Beste Erfindung seit Jahren.“) (27.05.2020, Fahrt auf der Mosel)

Bruno Gillhuber, Baden-Württemberg:

„Der TrackPilot fährt so gut, so gut kann ich nicht fahren. So sauber fährt niemand.“ (17.11.2020)

Martin Selles, Cambio:

"Gerade in stockfinsterer Nacht oder bei Nebel finde ich das System ideal, da ich mich hauptsächlich auf die Bojen und andere Dinge konzentrieren kann. ... Ich bleibe aktiv am Fahren beteiligt, aber ich komme weniger müde an. ... So intelligent das System auch ist, ein TrackPilot allein kann niemals einen Steuermann ersetzen.“ (20.04.2022)

Compatibility



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- User manual

Gebruikershandleiding

argoTrackPilot

TrackPilot voor binnenvaartschepen

Version 2.7

27.06.2023

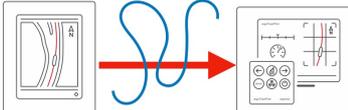
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argoTrackPilot – Snelstartgids

Voorbereiding

- Selecteer route in TrackPilot of ECDIS

- Selecteer profiel

- Stroomsnelheid en -richting aanpassen

- Controleer route en filterLED

- Schakel argoTrackPilot in

Permanente afwijking van de route

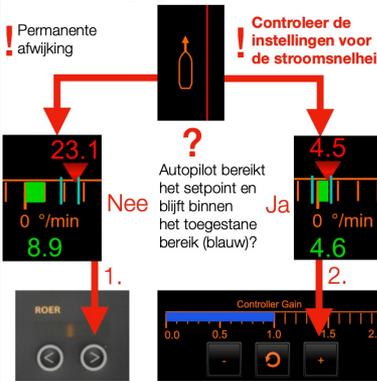
! Permanente afwijking

! Controleer de instellingen voor de stroomsnelheid

Autopilot bereikt het setpoint en blijft binnen het toegestane bereik (blauw)?

Nee Ja

1. 2.



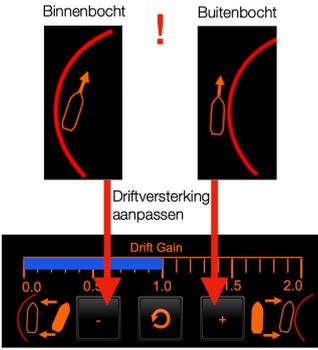
- „Roerhoeveelheid” verhogen
- Verhoog de „gain” regelaar in de instellingen
- Controleer het Bochtaanwijzersignaal

Afwijking in bochten

! Controleer de instellingen voor de stroomsnelheid

Binnenbocht Buitenbocht

Driftversterking aanpassen



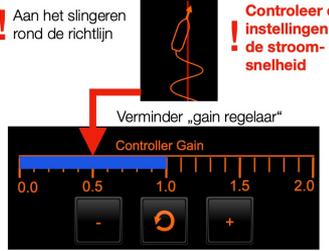
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Slingeren

! Aan het slingeren rond de richtlijn

! Controleer de instellingen voor de stroomsnelheid

Verminder „gain” regelaar



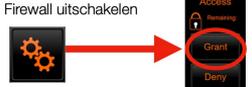
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Overige

Controleer de systeemversie en het serienummer



Firewall uitschakelen



Herstart TrackPilot



Open zekering F4, sluit na 3 seconden



Stel deadman bewaking in

2x



Gebruiksaanwijzing downloaden

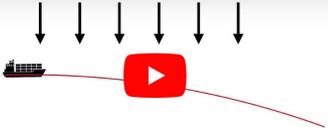


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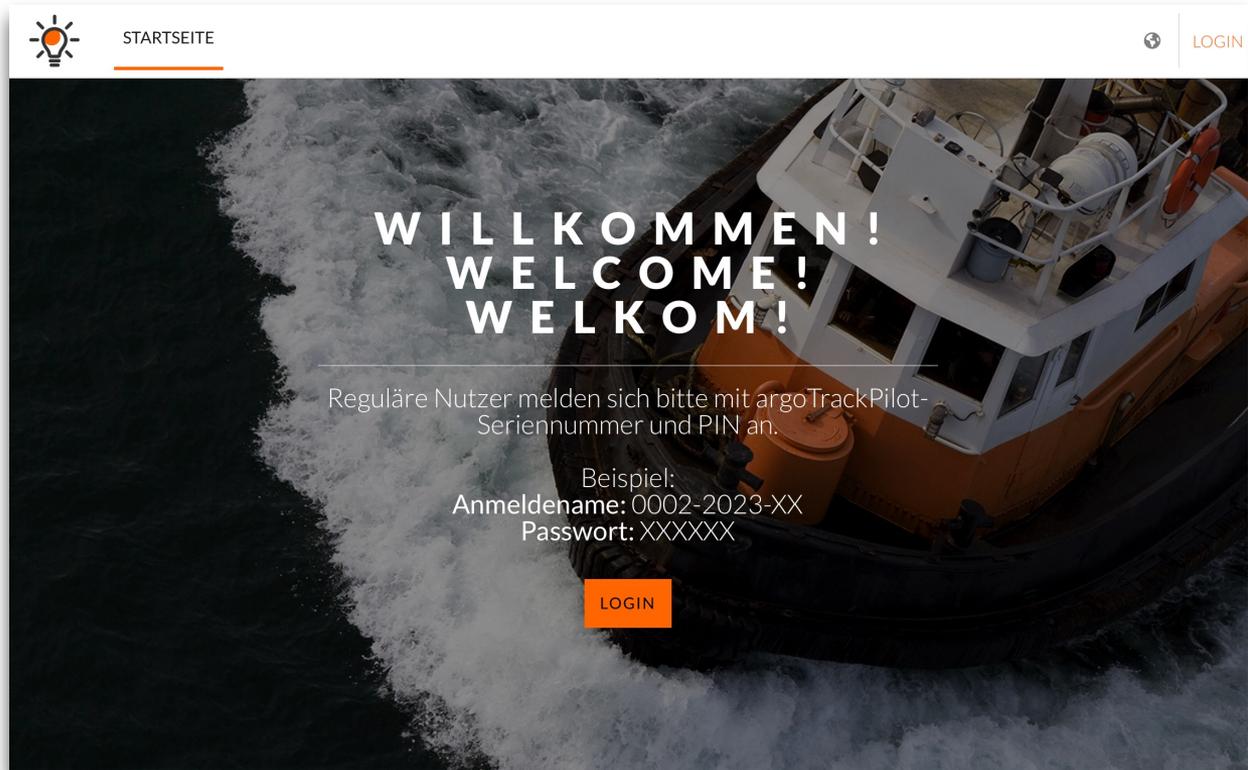
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Bei starkem Wind fahren	argoTracks – Kartenansicht	
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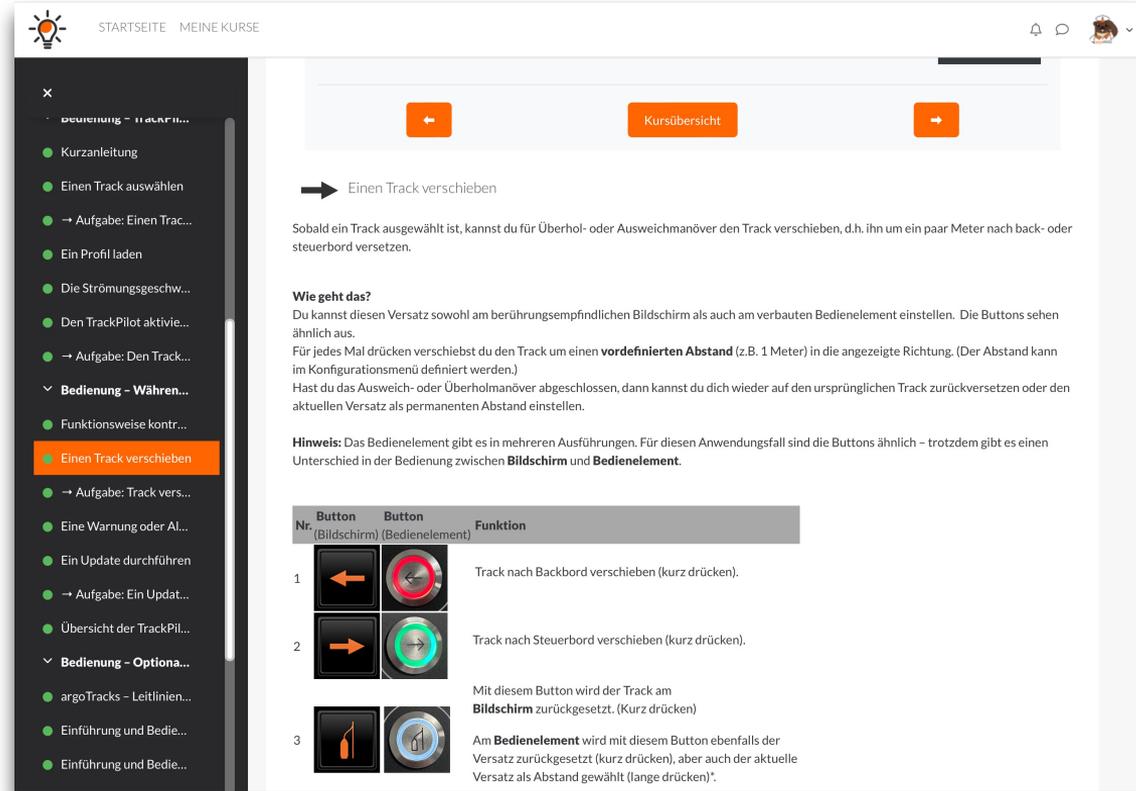
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The screenshot shows a web-based training platform. On the left is a dark sidebar menu with a search icon at the top. The menu items include 'Kurzanleitung', 'Einen Track auswählen', 'Aufgabe: Einen Trac...', 'Ein Profil laden', 'Die Strömungsgeschw...', 'Den TrackPilot aktivie...', 'Aufgabe: Den Track...', 'Bedienung - Wählen...', 'Funktionsweise kontr...', 'Einen Track verschieben' (highlighted in orange), 'Aufgabe: Track vers...', 'Eine Warnung oder Al...', 'Ein Update durchführen', 'Aufgabe: Ein Updat...', 'Übersicht der TrackPil...', 'Bedienung - Optiona...', 'argoTracks - Leitlinien...', 'Einführung und Bedie...', and 'Einführung und Bedie...'. The main content area has a header with 'STARTSEITE' and 'MEINE KURSE', and navigation buttons for '←', 'Kursübersicht', and '→'. Below the header, there's a section titled 'Einen Track verschieben' with a right-pointing arrow icon. The text explains that once a track is selected, you can move it back or forward by a few meters. It includes a 'Wie geht das?' section with instructions on using touchscreens or physical buttons, and a 'Hinweis' section about button variations. At the bottom, there is a table with 3 rows and 3 columns: 'Nr.', 'Button (Bildschirm)', and 'Button (Bedienelement)', with a 'Funktion' column.

Nr.	Button (Bildschirm)	Button (Bedienelement)	Funktion
1			Track nach Backbord verschieben (kurz drücken).
2			Track nach Steuerbord verschieben (kurz drücken).
3			Mit diesem Button wird der Track am Bildschirm zurückgesetzt. (Kurz drücken) Am Bedienelement wird mit diesem Button ebenfalls der Versatz zurückgesetzt (kurz drücken), aber auch der aktuelle Versatz als Abstand gewählt (lange drücken)*.

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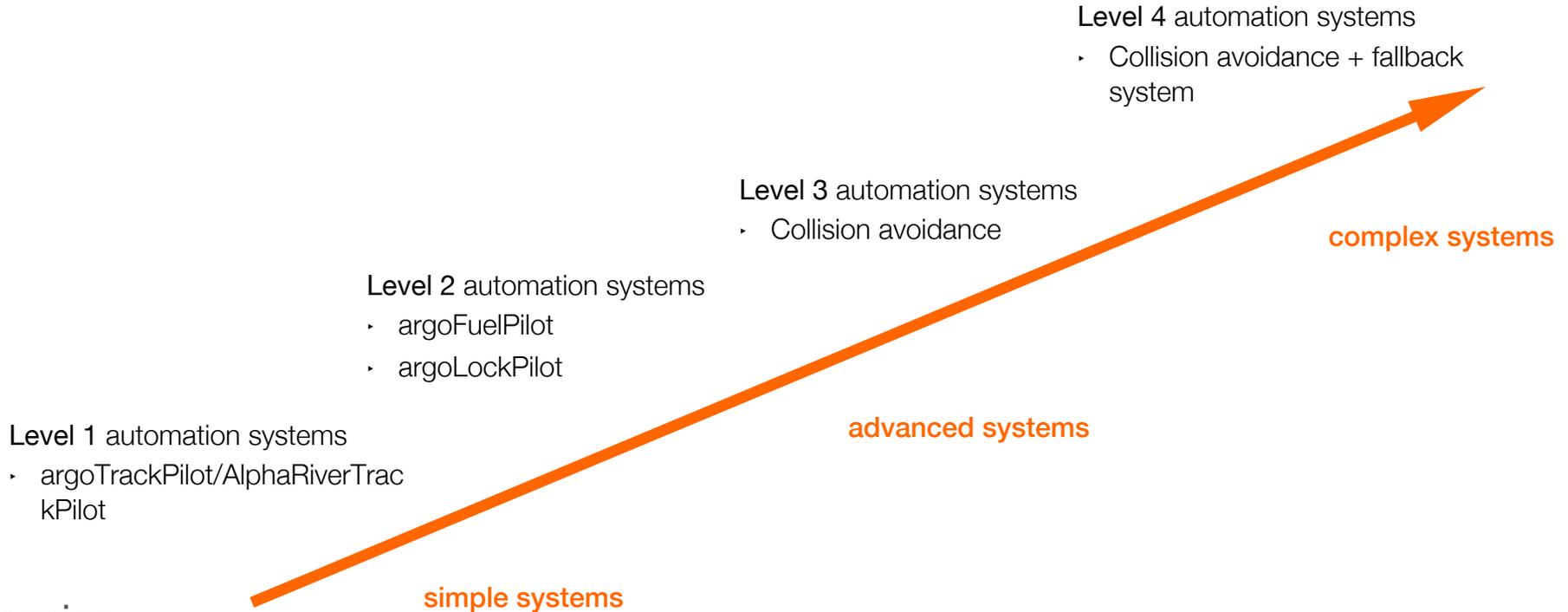
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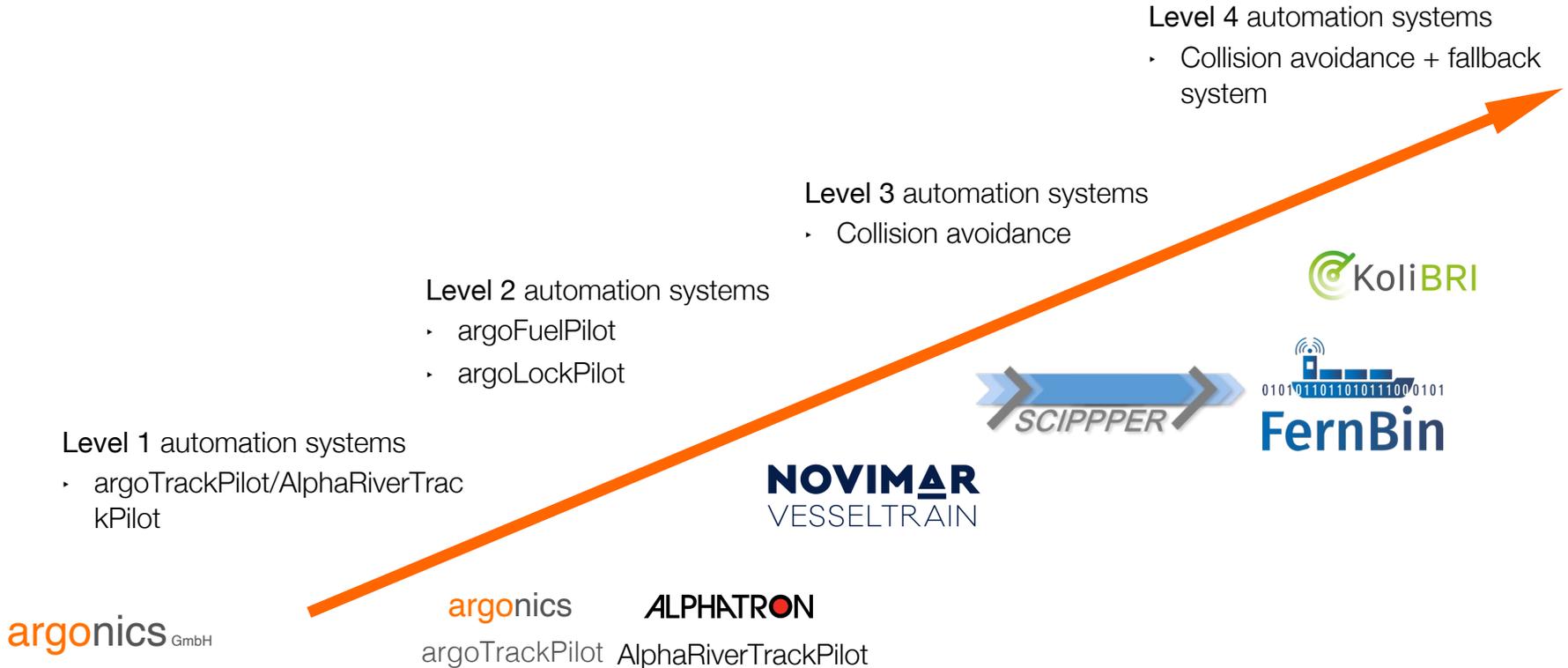
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