



Fatigue sensitivity to foundation modelling in different operational states for the DTU 10MW monopile-based offshore wind turbine

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Part of WAS-XL project (Wave Loads and Soil Support for Extra Large Monopiles)





Primary objective: Reduction of uncertainties related to large-diameter monopile foundations.

Foundation modelling: Common methods (API *p*-*y*) not accurate -> more realistic representation of soil structure interaction is required.



Macro – element formulation [1] results in fatigue damage reduction [2].



Aim of the present study

Importance of foundation modelling in fatigue damage *when aerodynamic damping is not effective.*

Parked States & Wind - Wave Misalignment Conditions

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Diameter	Thickness	Penetration Length	Young's modulus	Shear Modulus
[m]	[m]	[m]	[GPa]	[GPa]
9.0	0.11	36	210	81

Example (Wind Bin 14 - 16 m/s)



Depth:30m

Spectral Peak Period [s] Hs [m] 1-2 2-3 3-4 4-5 5-6 6-7 7-8 9-10 10-11 11-12 12-13 13-14 14-15 15-16 16-17 17-18 8-9 1.5 2.5 3.5 4.5 5.5 6.5 7.5 8.5 9.5 10.5 11.5 12.5 13.5 14.5 15.5 16.5 17.5 0.25 7.41E-07 3.35E-07 0.75 3.79E-06 5.29E-06 5.83E-07 1.25 1.14E-05 4.83E-04 1.95E-04 3.80E-05 1.05E-05 1.75E-06 1.67E-06 3.43E-06 2.32E-06 4.45E-07 1.13E-06 5.36E-07 1.75 5.16E-04 4.30E-0 9.03E-05 5.07E-05 1.51E-05 1.49E-05 1.88E-05 5.24E-06 1.16E-05 8.84E-07 2.25 1.35E-0 8.93E-03 2.02E-03 3.64E-04 1.04E-04 2.32E-05 2.30E-05 3.32E-05 1.87E-05 4.53E-06 2.75 1.97E-0 03 2.03E-03 3.07E-04 9.18E-05 2.96E-05 4.32E-05 7.30E-05 1.52E-05 2.04E-06 3.25 1.7 E-04 1.20E-03 7.76E-04 4.14E-04 2.66E-04 8.84E-05 1.89E-05 3.53E-05 6.06E-06 3.75 3.73E-04 2.80E-04 1.85E-04 1.73E-04 7.82E-05 8.76E-06 5.78E-05 9.23E-06 4.25 4.76E-05 5.48E-05 5.18E-05 6.88E-05 3.86E-05 2.96E-05 3.40E-05 4.75 2.31E-05 1.51E-05 3.23E-05 4.58E-05 5.25 1.48E-05 4.13E-05 Selection of most contributing sea-states to the long-term fatigue damage for 5 wind bins. Simulation & Environmental Parameters EC Time Wind-Wave Wave T_p U_w Hs number Simulation Misalignment Spectrum [s] [degrees] [m/s][m] [s] 3600 5.06 0.75 5.50 Pierson-Moskowitz 1 3600 Pierson-Moskowitz 2 9.06 1.25 5.50 $0^{\circ}, 15^{\circ}, 30^{\circ},$ 3 3600 14.94 2.25 6.50 Torsethaugen 45°, 90° 3600 20.90 3.75 7.50 **JONSWAP** 4 5 3600 26.74 5.25 8.50 **JONSWAP**







Nonlinear damping in M1. Increases with respect to the response amplitude

Natural frequency dependency on load levels



M1, M3 : For higher load levels \rightarrow lower foundation stiffness \rightarrow lower natural frequencies

M2 linear elastic model \rightarrow Constant natural frequency for all load levels



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Operational state: Different processes dominate per EC



EC1 3P component

- EC2 Slowly varying wind component
- *EC3* Wide range Mainly waves
- EC4 Waves Aerodynamic damping effect at natural frequency range

Waves – Large loads at natural frequency range

EC	U _w [m/s]	H _s [m]	T _p [s]
1	5.06	0.75	5.50
2	9.06	1.25	5.50
3	14.94	2.25	6.50
4	20.90	3.75	7.50
5	26.74	5.25	8.50

Combination of stiffness and damping dominance per EC

EC5





Soil Damping dominance for all ECs



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- 1. Different processes dominate the dynamic processes depending on the environmental state.
- 2. Both foundation stiffness and damping formulation affect the behavior in different frequency regimes.
- 3. Considerably higher fatigue differences in parked state (-60% to 154%) compared to operational state (-10% to 50%).
- 4. Large differences (up to 183%) for misalignment angles larger than 30 degrees.

Relatively high importance of foundation modelling and hysteretic effects for fatigue damage in cases where aerodynamic damping is negligible.





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Axial stress STD & fatigue damage along monopile for operational (left) and parked (right) state [EC4]



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	Fatigue Damage [-] EC1					
	Operation	al	Parked			
0	1.63E-07	180	2.54E-08	180		
15	1.58E-07	180	2.30E-08	198		
30	1.47E-07	180	1.88E-08	198		
45	1.33E-07	180	1.52E-08	216		
90	1.06E-07	180	1.02E-08	270		
	Fatigue	Fatigue Damage [-] EC2				
	Operation	Operational Parked				
0	4.35E-07	0	2.41E-07	180		
15	4.18E-07	0	2.18E-07	198		
30	3.74E-07	0	1.74E-07	198		
45	3.22E-07	18	1.35E-07	216		
90	2.48E-07	324	8.07E-08	270		
	Fatigue	Damage	[-] EC3			
	Operational		Parked			
0	6.77E-07	180	1.32E-06	180		
15	6.27E-07	198	1.13E-06	198		
30	6.42E-07	198	9.70E-07	198		
45	7.08E-07	216	7.83E-07	216		
90	1.22E-06	270	6.18E-07	270		
	Fatigue	Damage	[-] EC4			
	Operational Parke		Parked	ł		
0	6.27E-06	180	8.06E-06	180		
15	6.05E-06	198	7.20E-06	198		
30	5.90E-06	198	6.46E-06	198		
45	6.22E-06	216	6.16E-06	216		
90	8.16E-06	270	6.56E-06	270		
	Fatigue	Damage	[-] EC4			
	Operational		Parked			
0	1.86E-05	180	3.83E-05	180		
15	1.87E-05	198	3.27E-05	0		
30	1.99E-05	216	2.88E-05	198		
45	2.40E-05	234	2.68E-05	216		
90	3.95E-05	270	3.36E-05	270		

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