

Low-frequency second-order **drift-forces**
experimental validation for a **Twin Hull**
Shape Offshore Wind Platform - **SATH**

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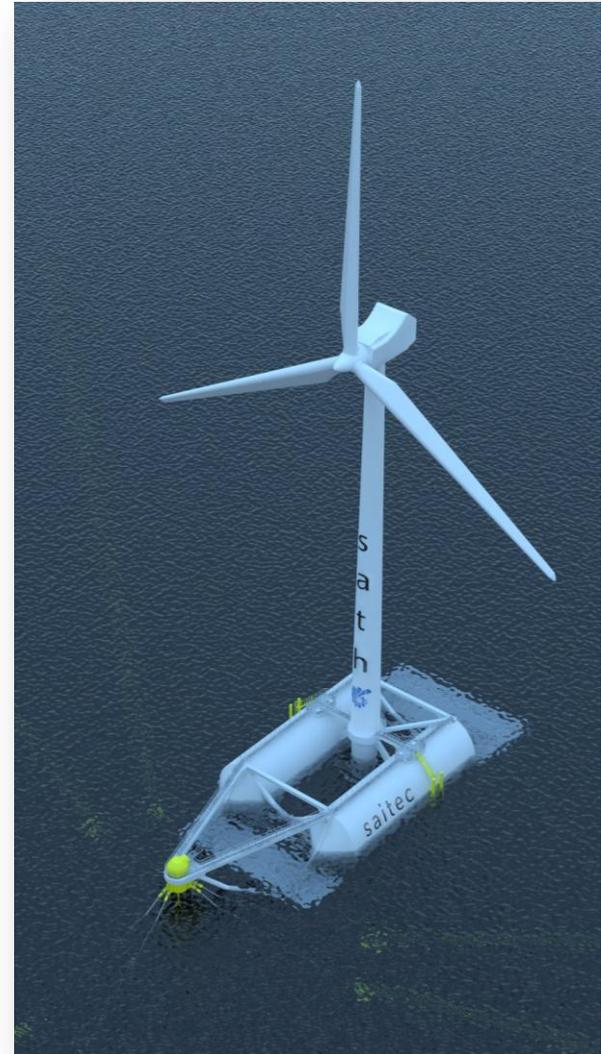
Introduction to SATH concept

Model testing motivation

Experiments

Numerical validation

Main conclusions



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Spin-off from International
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Designing the future



SATH™ INNOVATIVE FLOATING WIND SOLUTION MAKING OFFSHORE WIND GLOBAL



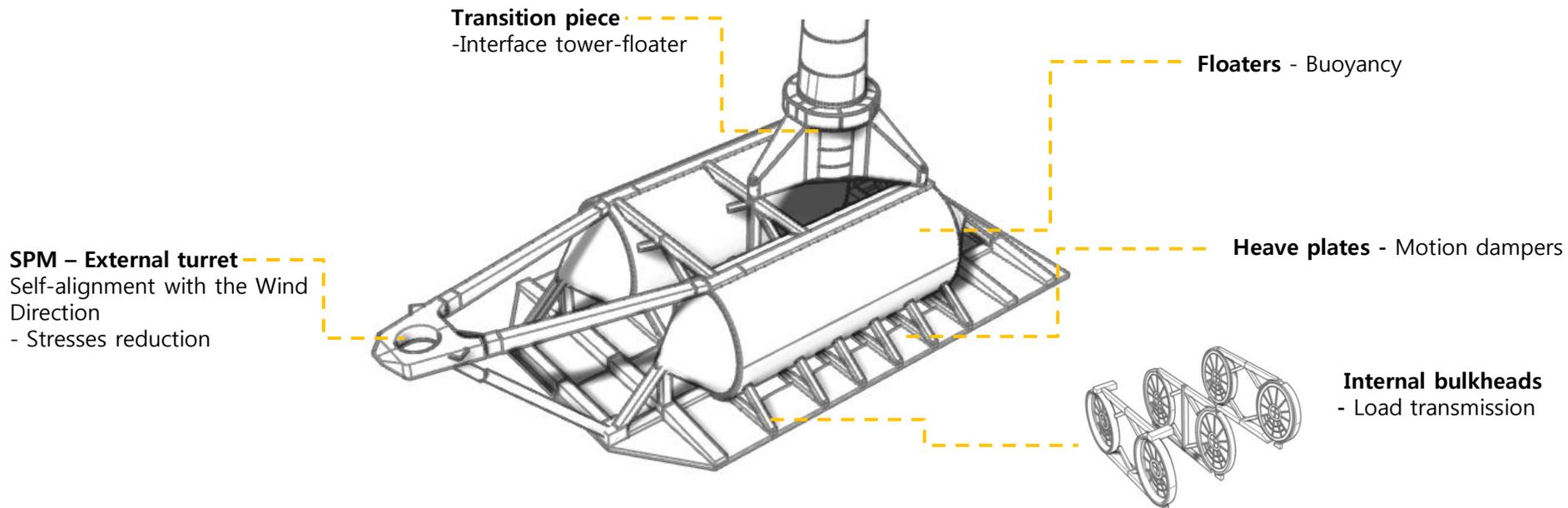
Patented technology



COMPANY PURPOSE

Introduction to SATH concept

Swinging Around Twin Hull



CONCRETE

Reduced construction and maintenance costs

LOW DRAFT

2 MW – 6.5m
10 MW – 9.5m

SELF-STABLE

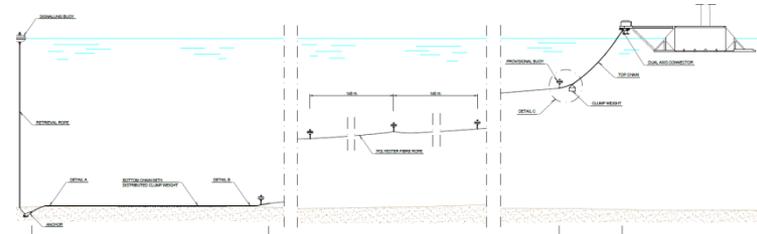
Easily transportation

Model testing motivation



OBJECTIVE

Mooring System optimization



LIMITATIONS

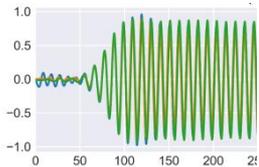
Potential theory assumptions



METHODOLOGY

EXPERIMENTS at IFREMER (July 2018)

- Mean Drift Coefficients extraction
- Full-QTF Coefficients extraction



NUMERICAL CALIBRATION



WADAM

FAST

Sima

SESAM

Scale model



	Scale model 1/36	Full prototype-2MW
Length (m)	1.72	61.92
Width (m)	0.85	30.6
Total height (m)	2.05	73.8
Draft (m)	0.2	7.35
Total Mass (kg)	82.8	3863116.8



Wind turbine
Computer-controlled

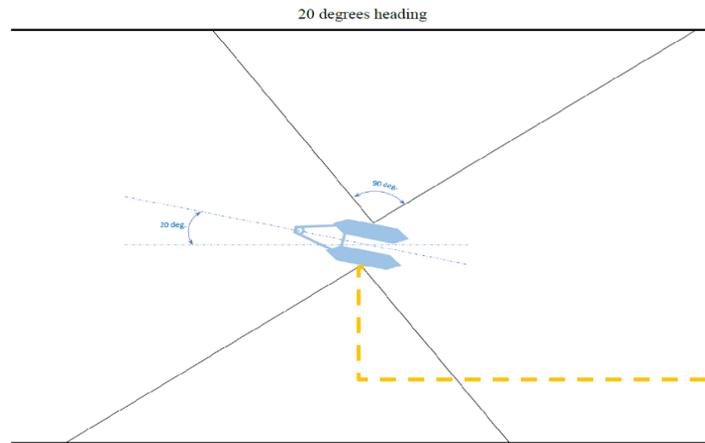
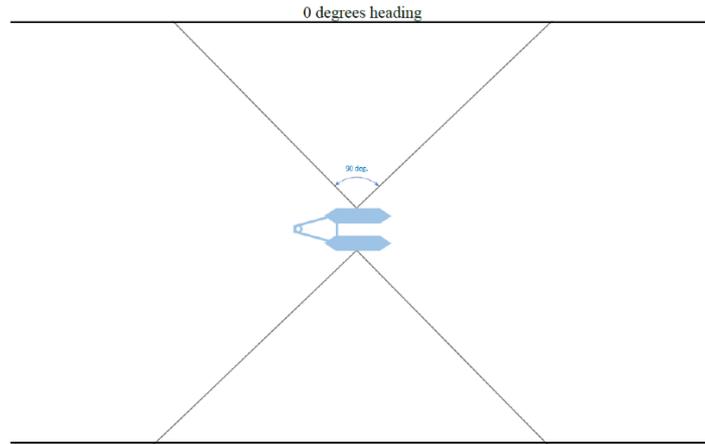


Qualysis
Track motion



Load cells mooring system

Experiments set-up



Soft Mooring

Simple an linear setup for identification of hydrodynamic coefficients.

VCG to decouple the pitch motion from the mooring system forces.

Experiments

Test campaign planning



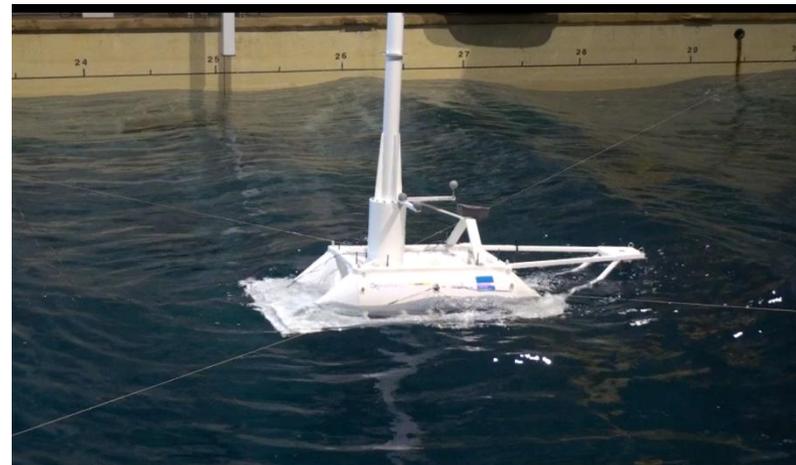
Identification of mass properties



Calibration of waves

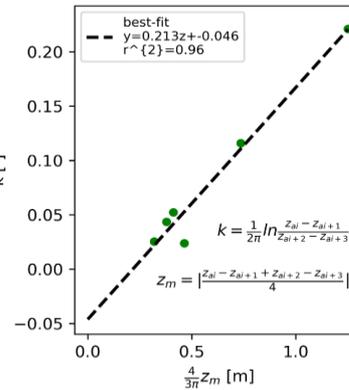
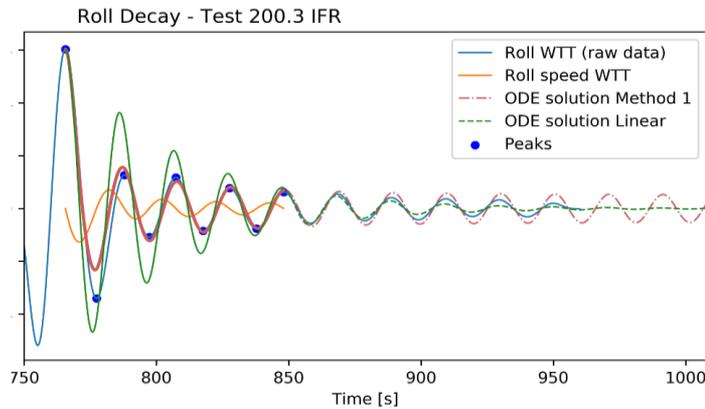


Characterization tests: decay; tilt; pull out

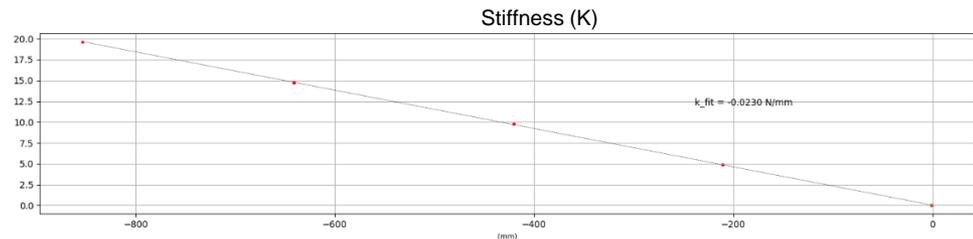
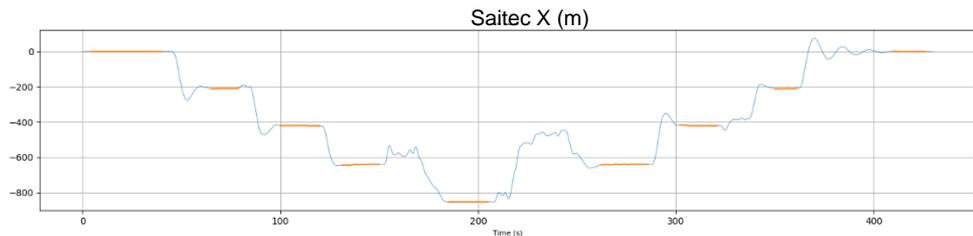
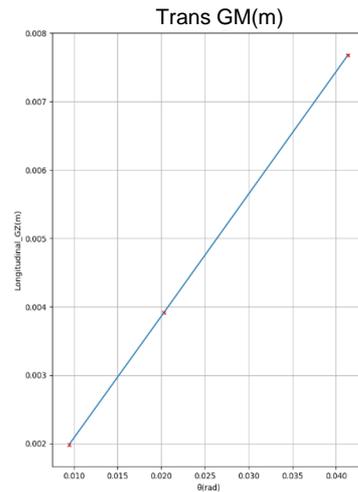
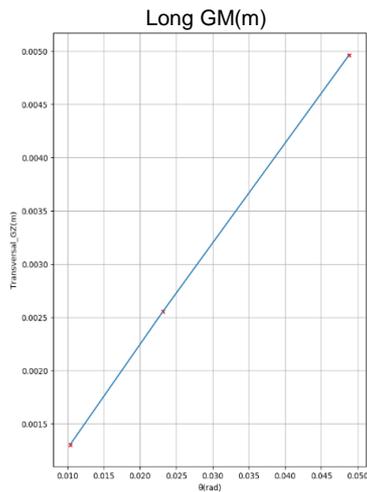


Tests in waves: periodic; irregular; pink noise

Characterization tests – Global verification of the structure behaviour



- Natural oscillation periods ✓
- Linear & Quadratic damping ✓
- Metacentric heights ✓
- Mooring stiffness ✓



Tests in waves– Periodic waves

OBJECTIVE

Extraction of the **Mean Drift force**
Coefficients for different
incidence angles and wave
steepness

$$F = kx$$

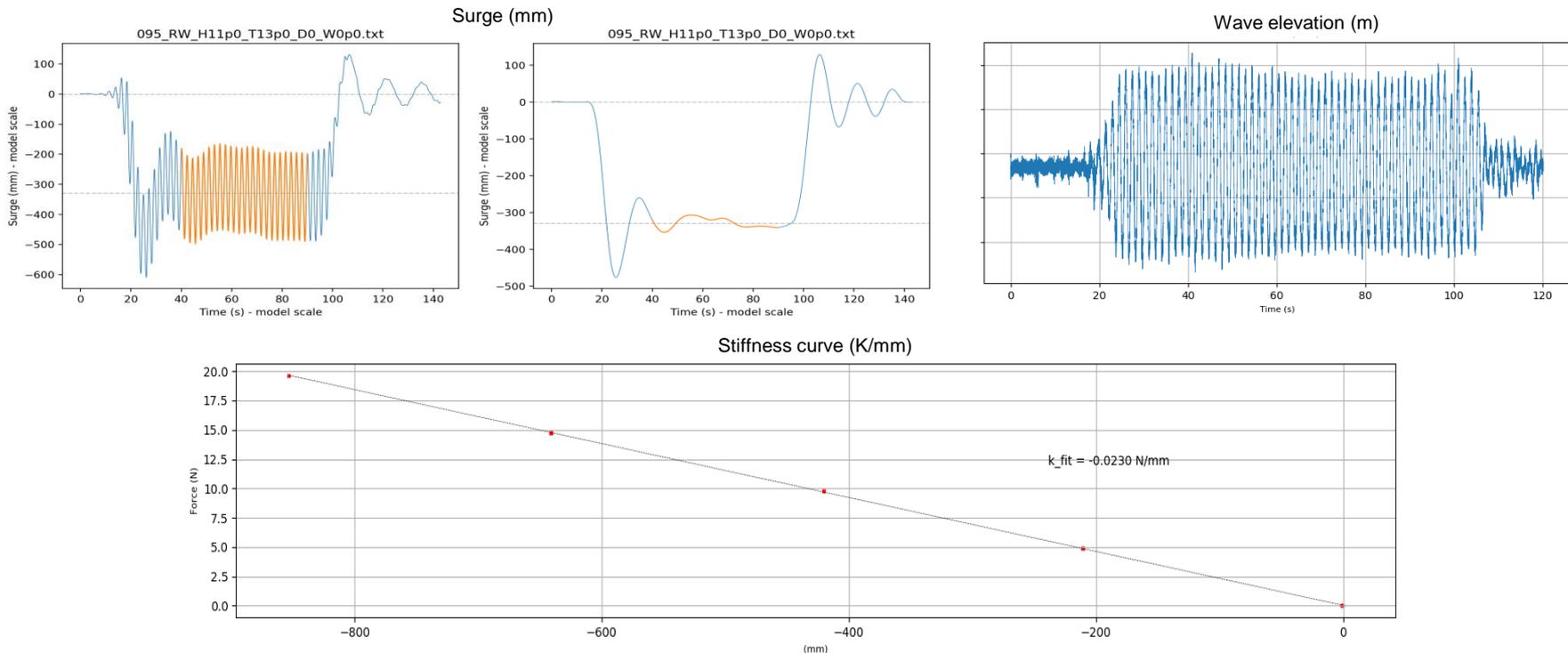
$$\text{MDC} = \frac{F}{A^2}$$

K = mooring stiffness measured (N/m)

X = mean displacement measured (m)

F = mean drift force (N)

A = wave amplitude (m)



Tests in waves– Periodic waves

Test Matrix:

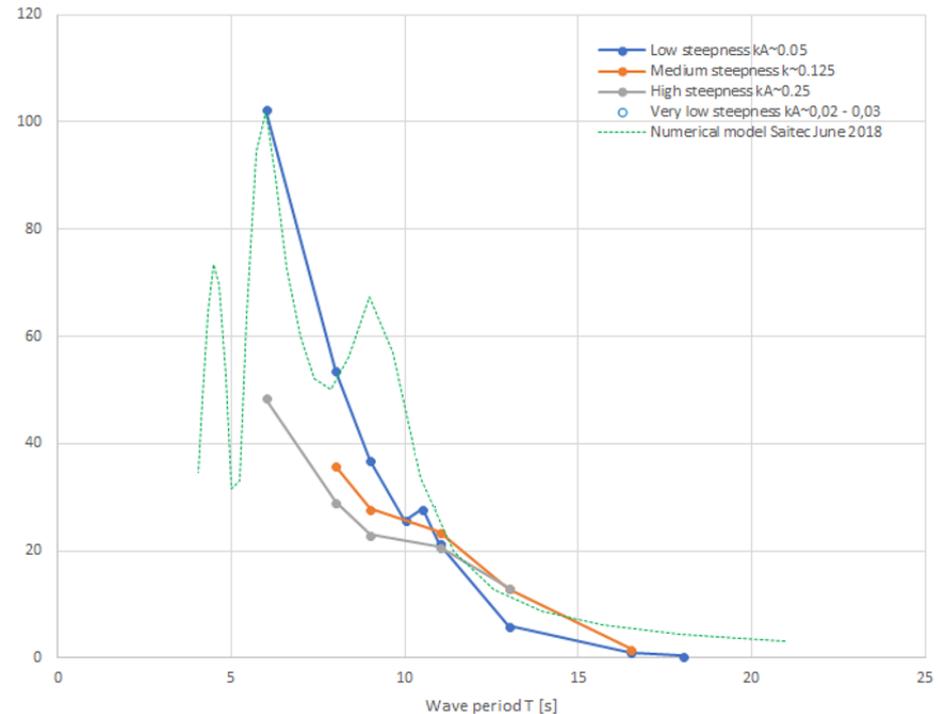
Set 1: head waves; no wind; different steepness

Set 2: head waves; wind influence;

Set 3: 20° waves; no wind;

Real model		
Period	Height	Steepness
6.000	1.116	0.020
6.000	4.680	0.083
7.980	1.692	0.017
7.980	4.320	0.043
7.980	8.640	0.086
9.000	2.088	0.016
9.000	5.256	0.042
9.000	10.512	0.083
10.000	2.900	0.019
10.980	7.992	0.043
10.980	15.984	0.086
13.020	4.392	0.017
13.020	11.016	0.043
13.020	19.800	0.078
16.500	7.488	0.020
16.500	15.480	0.042

Mean wave drift coeff. from vessel motion, tests in regular waves, 0deg.
Restoring stiffness $K=29.81$ kN/m. Wind = 0. Full scale values.



Potential theory over-estimates the coefficients
Favourable steepness dependency

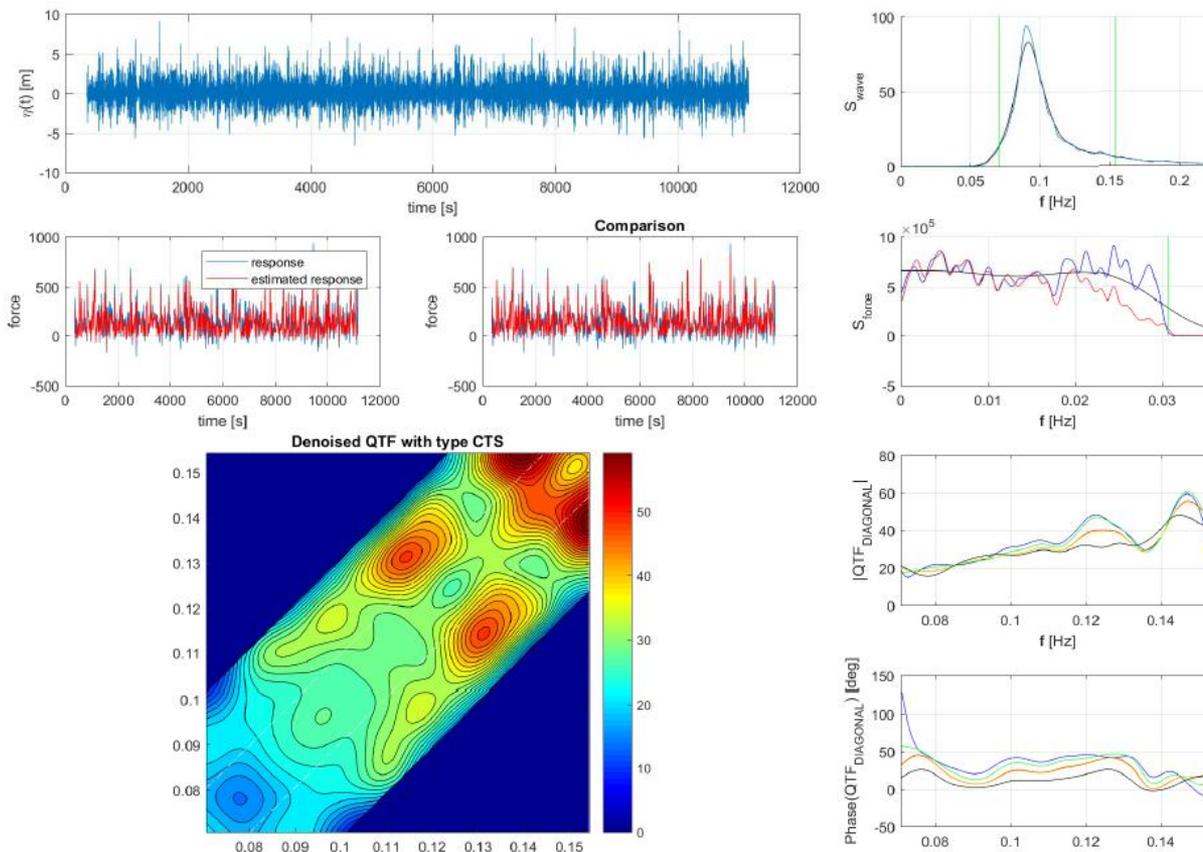
Tests in waves– Irregular waves

OBJECTIVE

Extraction of the full Quadratic Transfer Function coefficients



Second order signal analysis technique based on cross bi-spectral analysis



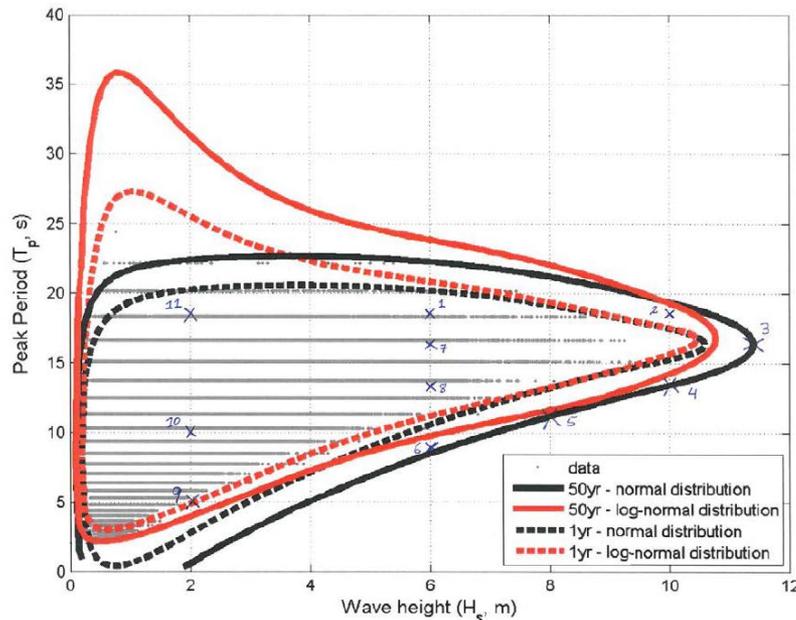
Tests in waves– Irregular waves

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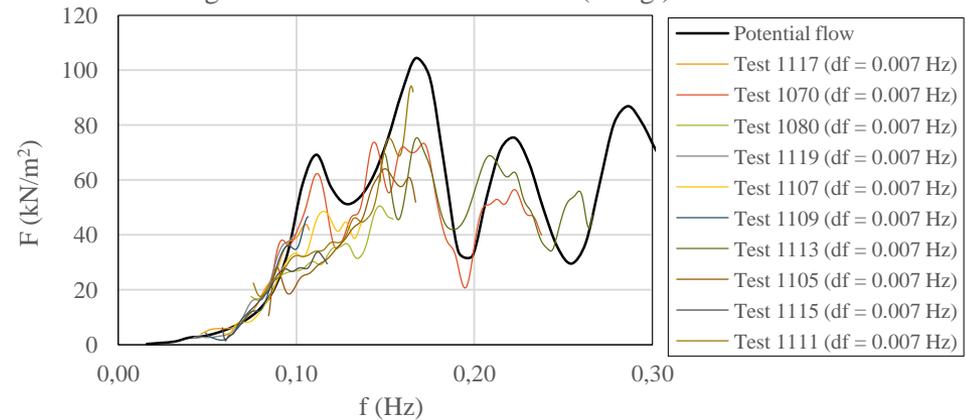
Set 1: pink noise (0° & 20° incidence)

Set 2: sea-states along the 50 years environmental contour (0° & 20° incidence)

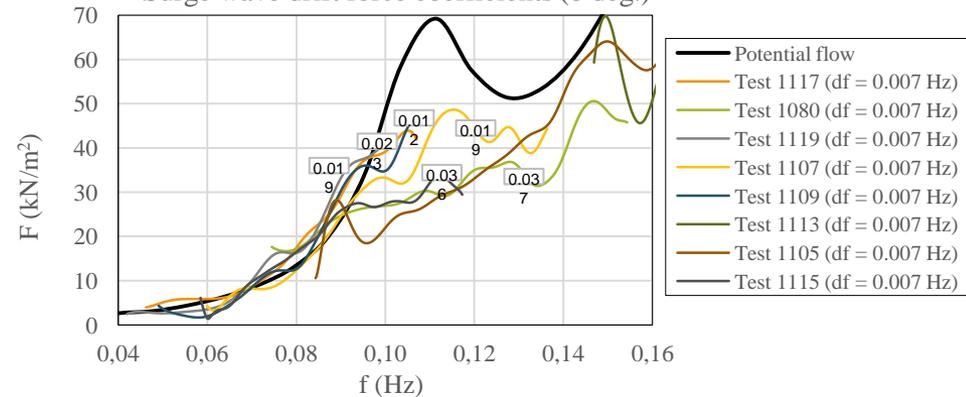
Set 3: sea-states representative of operational conditions (0° & 20° incidence)



Surge wave drift force coefficients (0 deg.)



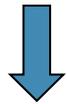
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Favourable steepness dependency

Numerical validation

Frequency Domain Simulations
(Based on potential theory)



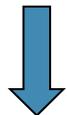
Extraction of the **Mean Drift Force Coefficients** from tests



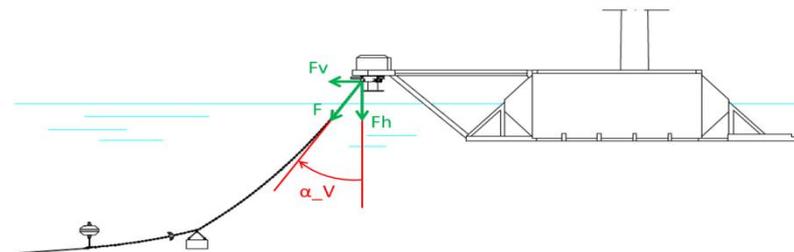
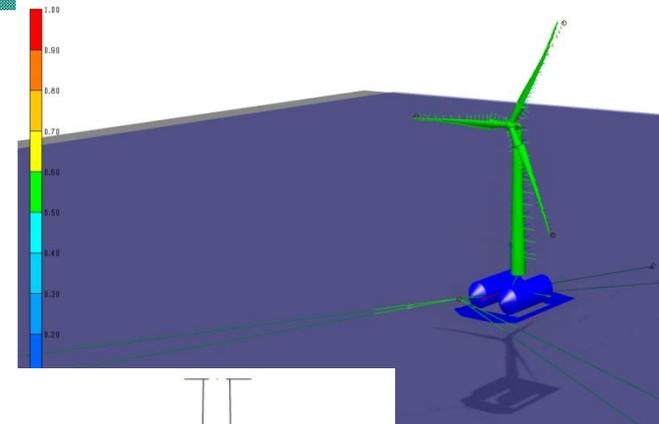
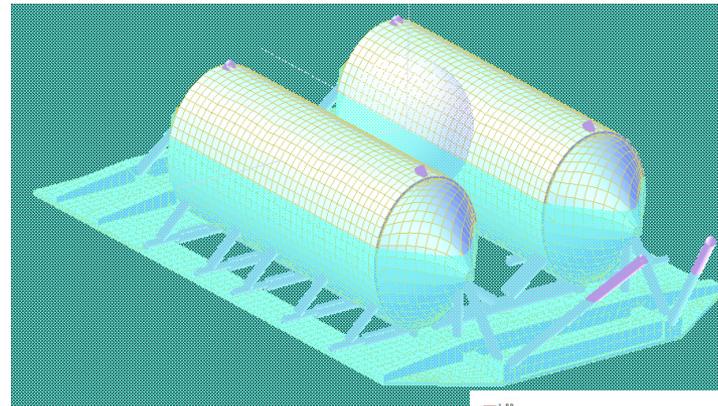
Correction of potential flow **Mean Drift Coefficients** $f(\text{steepness})$



Time Domain Simulations using Newman's Approximation

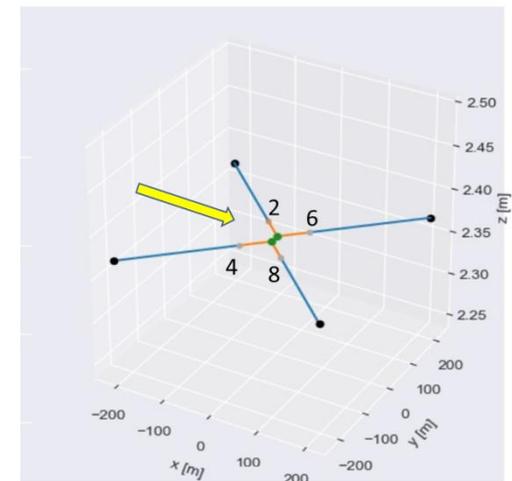
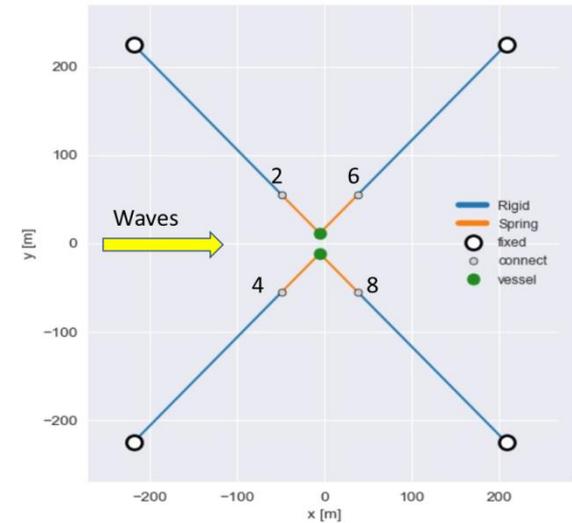
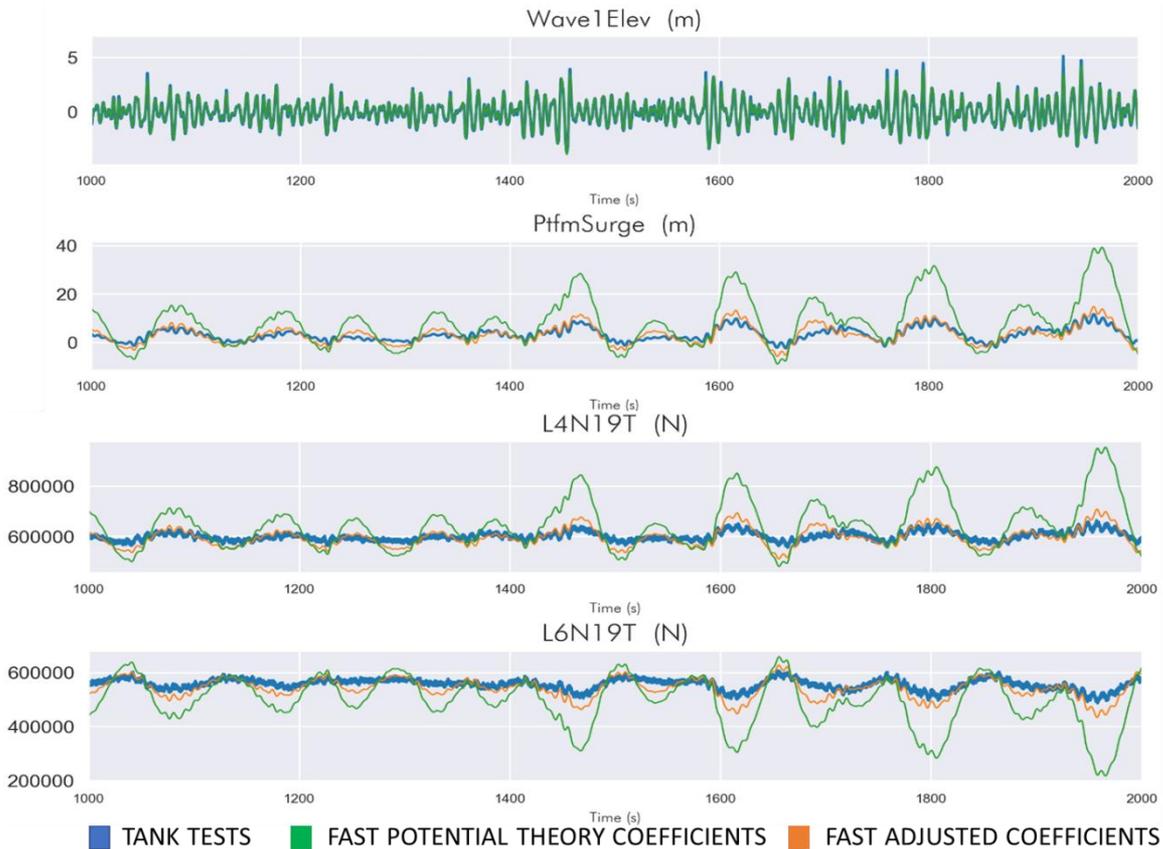


Optimization of the mooring system design



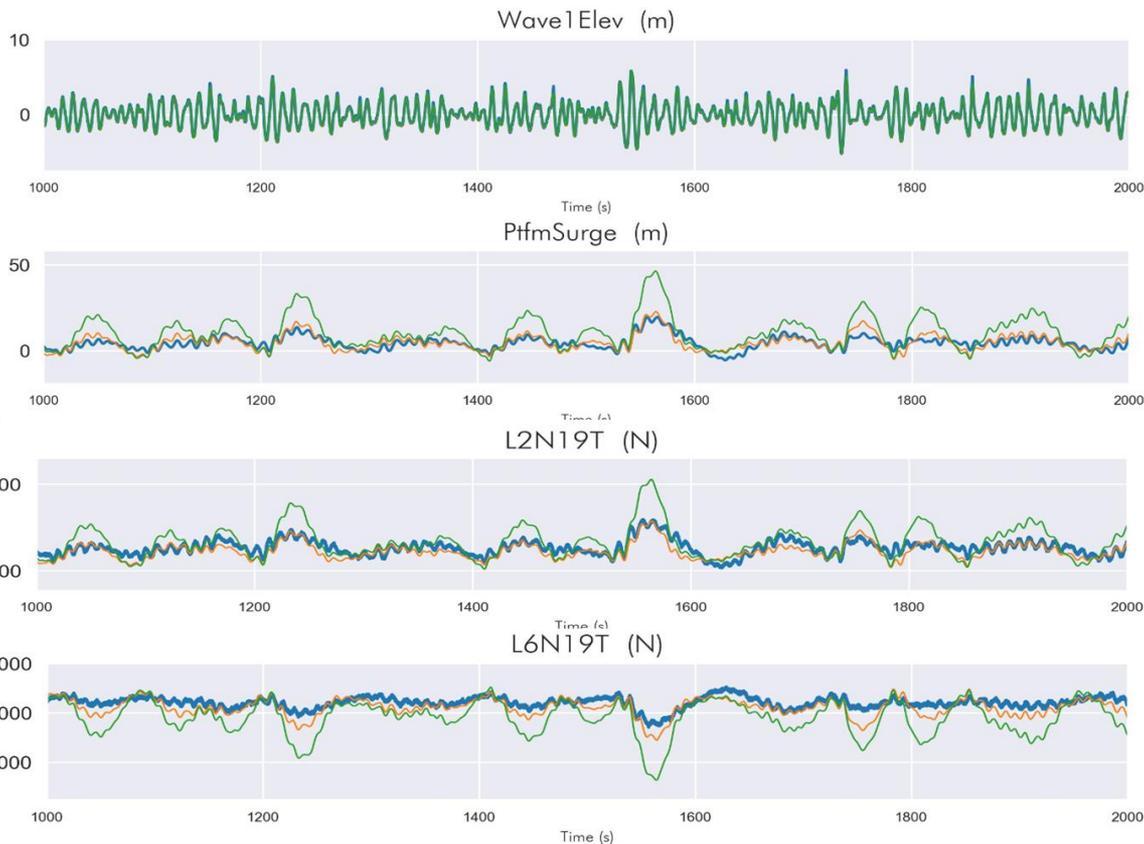
Numerical validation

$H_s = 5\text{m}$ $T_p = 8.8\text{s}$

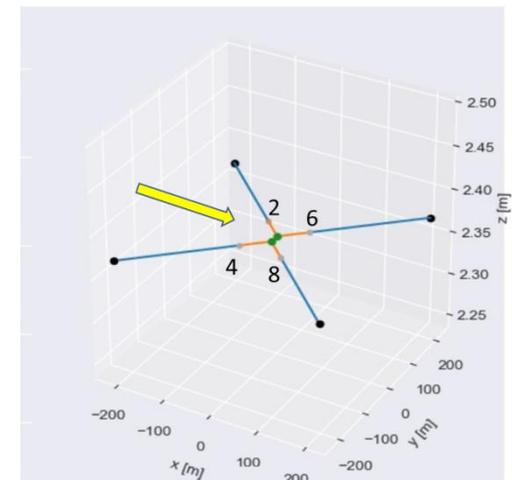
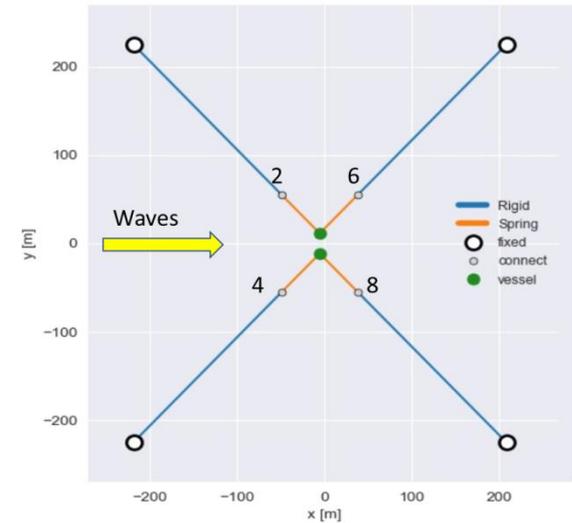


Numerical validation

$H_s = 7\text{m}$ $T_p = 11\text{s}$

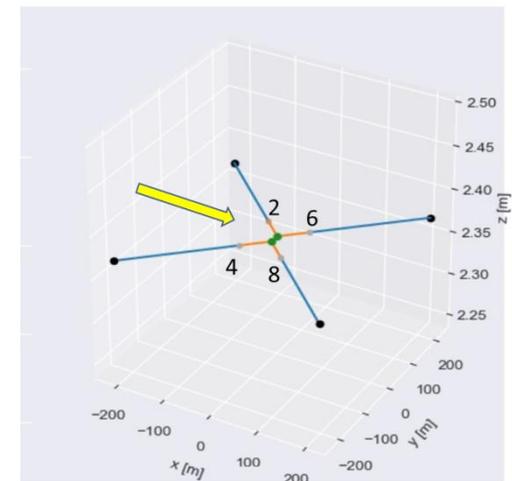
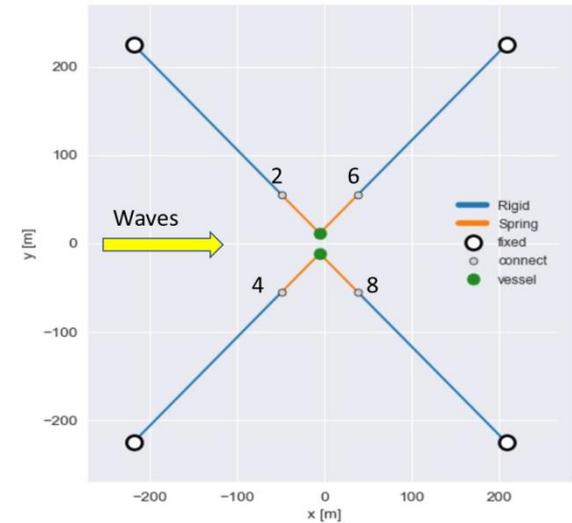
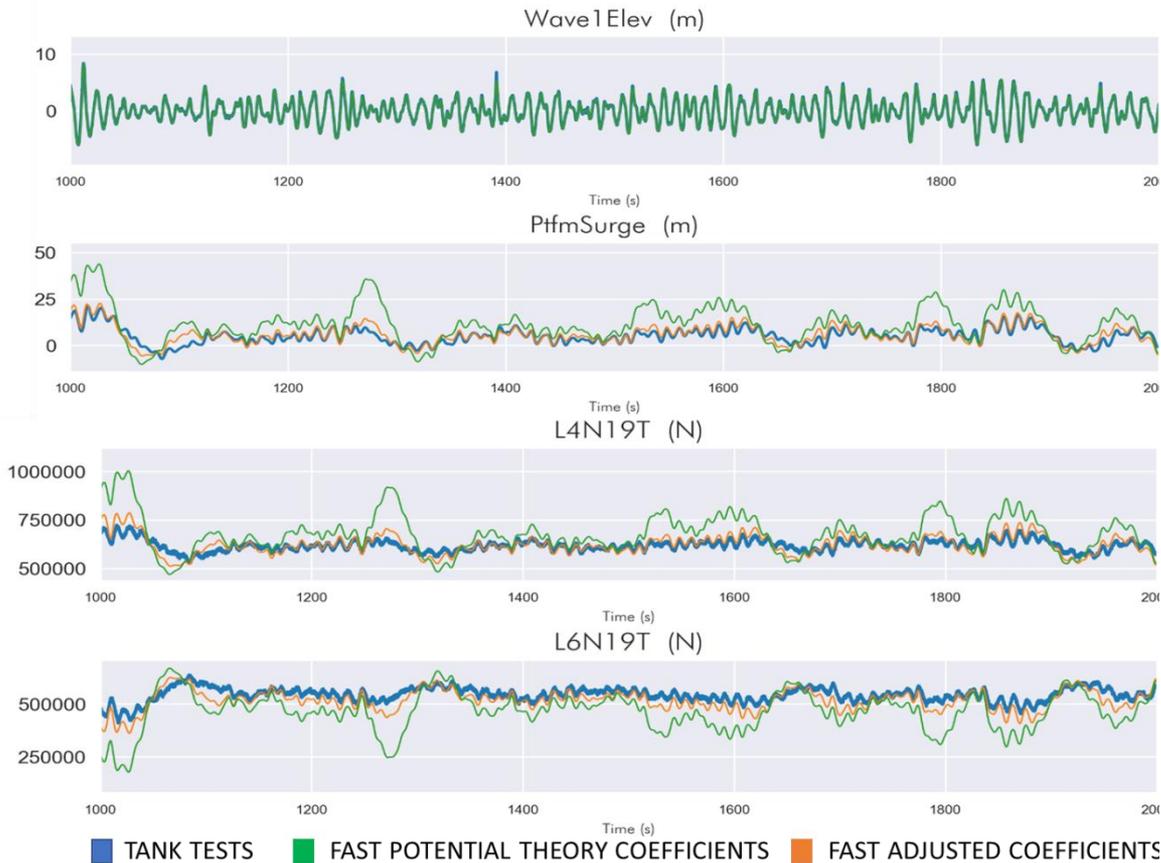


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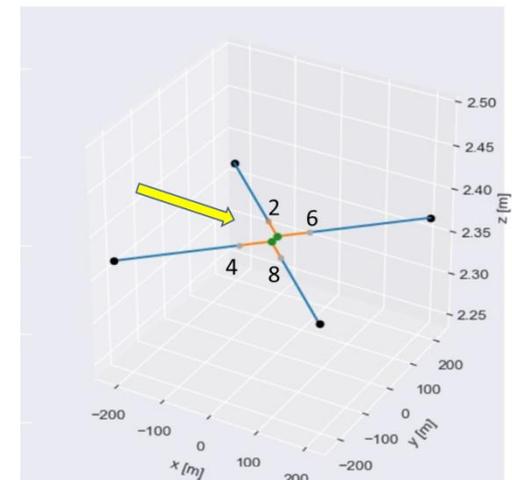
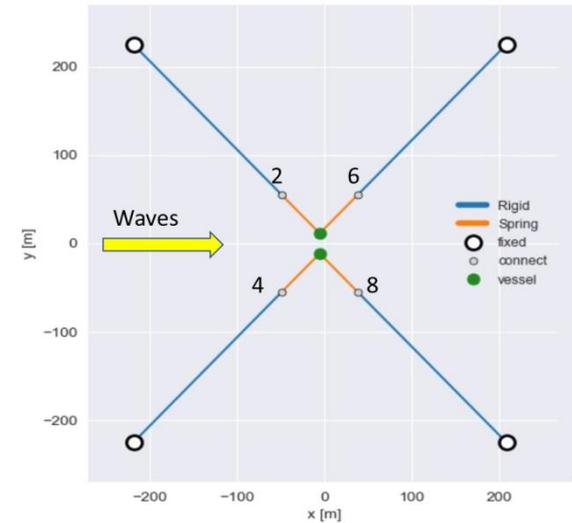
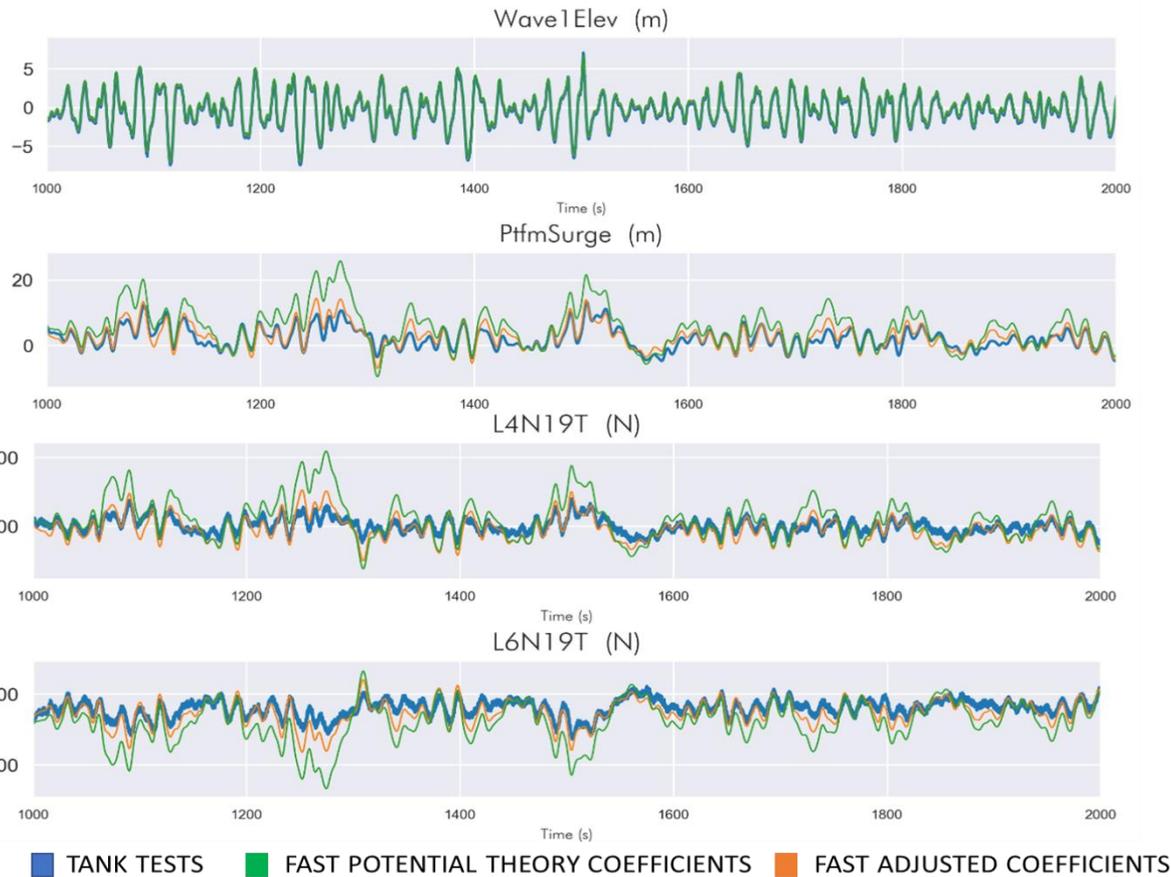
Numerical validation

$H_s = 9.4\text{m}$ $T_p = 13\text{s}$



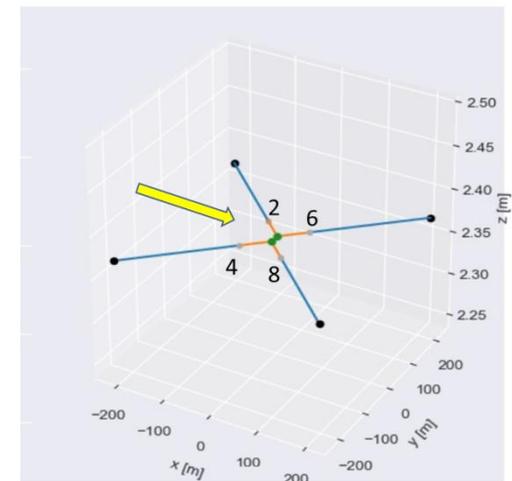
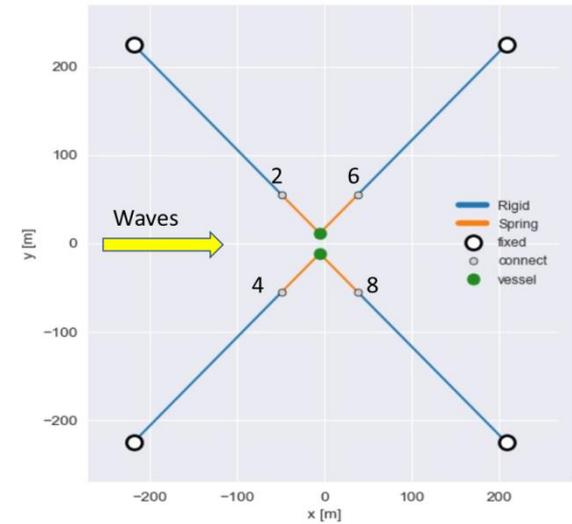
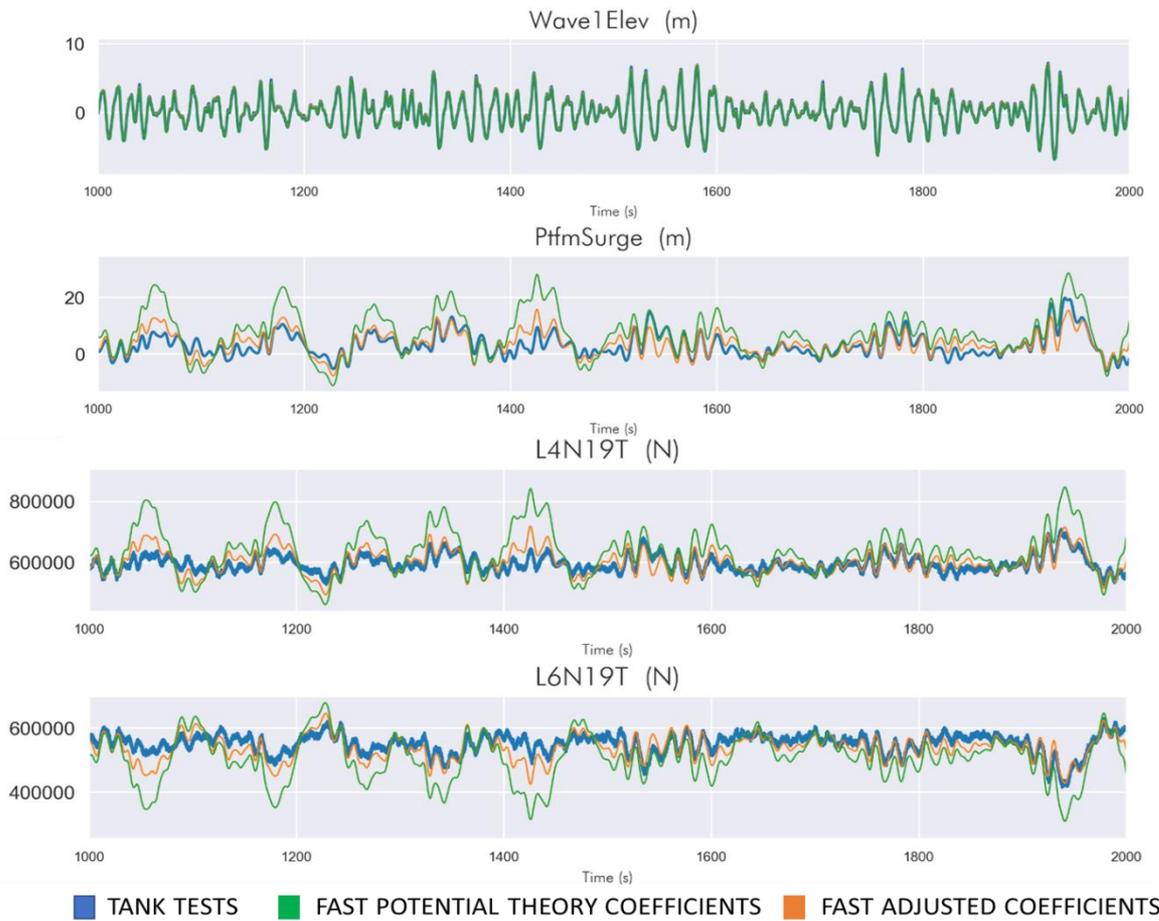
Numerical validation

$H_s = 9.7\text{m}$ $T_p = 18\text{s}$



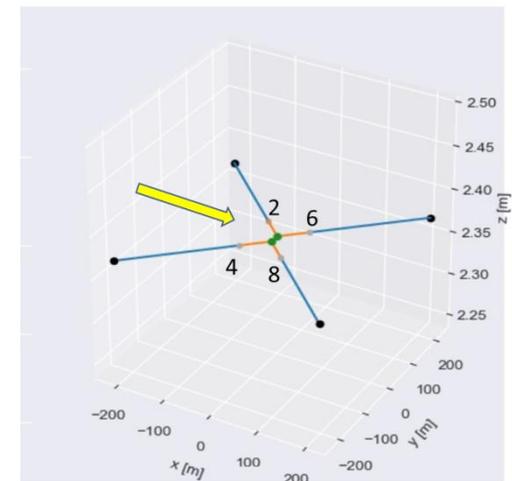
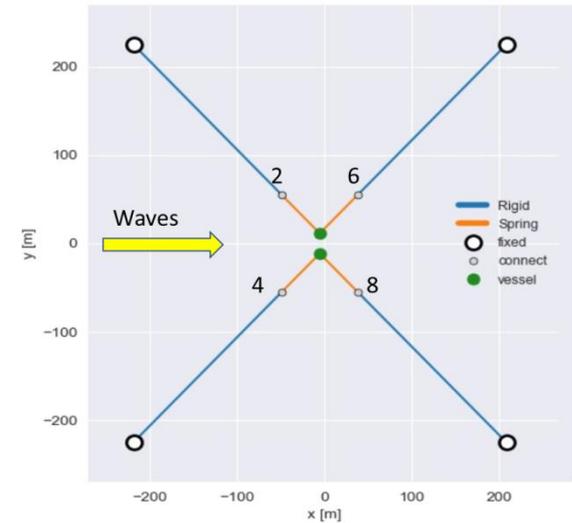
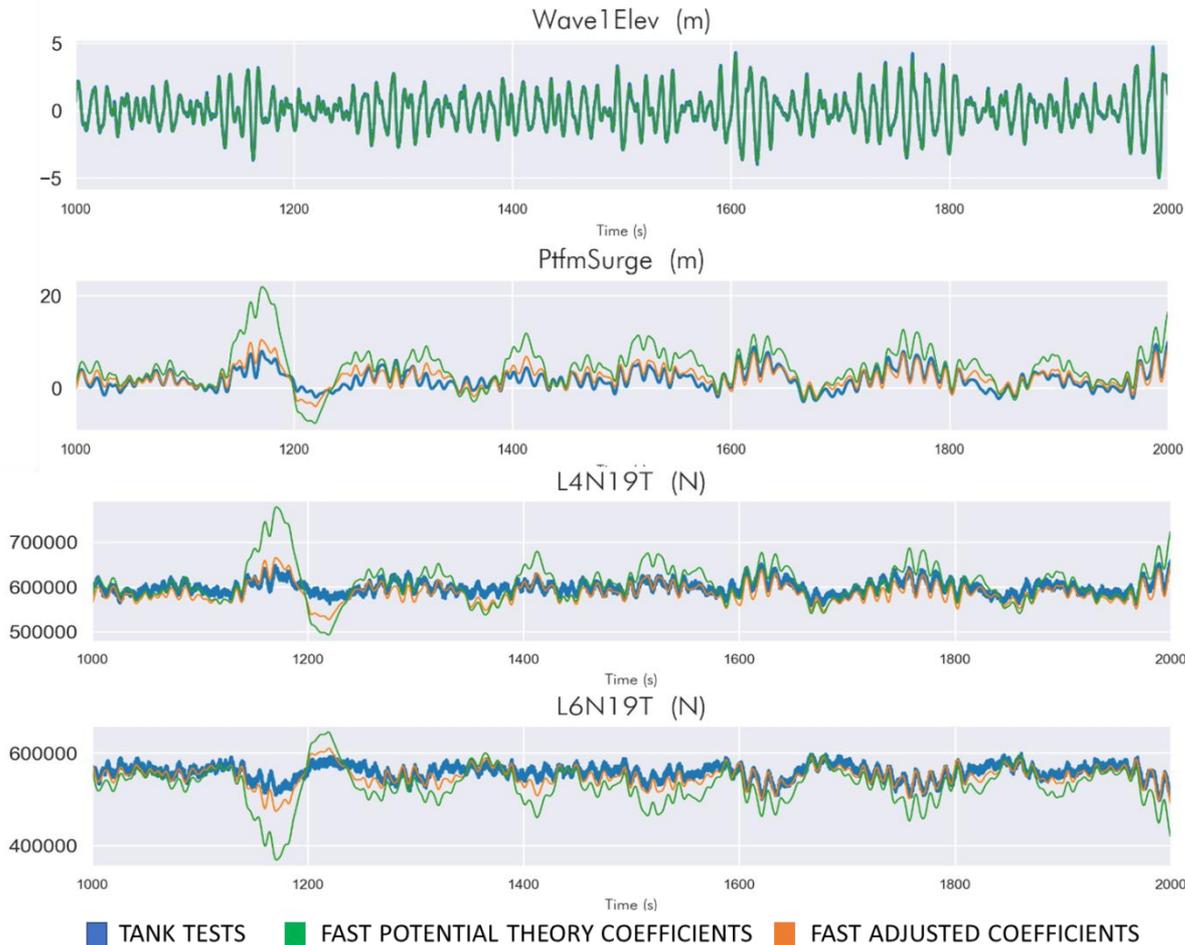
Numerical validation

$H_s = 9.7\text{m}$ $T_p = 16\text{s}$



Numerical validation

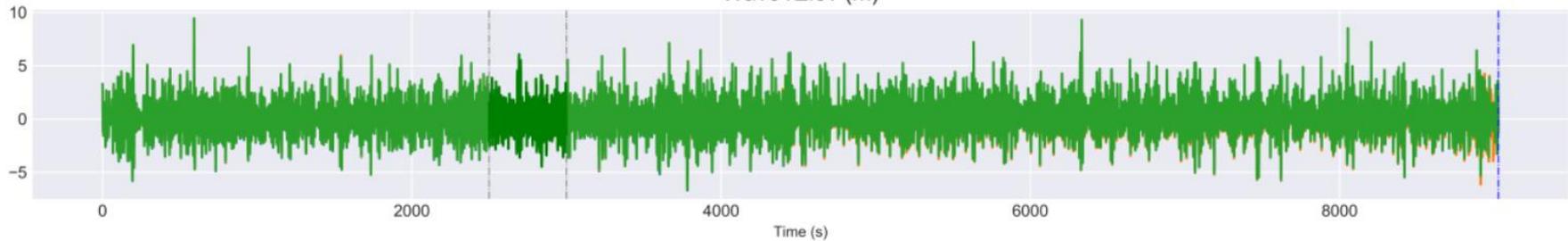
$H_s = 5\text{m}$ $T_p = 13\text{s}$



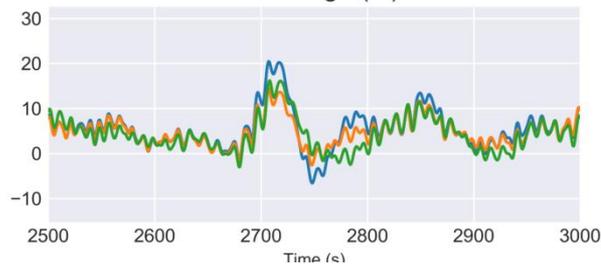
Numerical validation

IFR_IR_H7p0_T11p0_D0_W0p0 (High steepness)

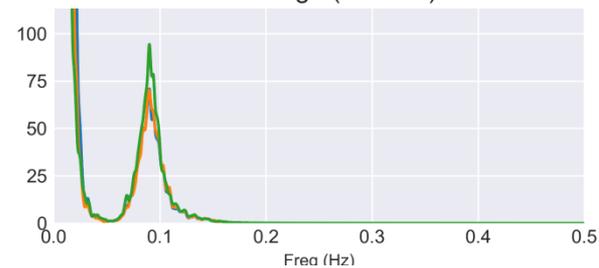
Wave1Elev (m)



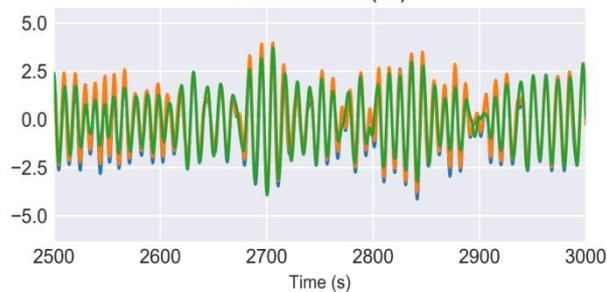
PtfmSurge (m)



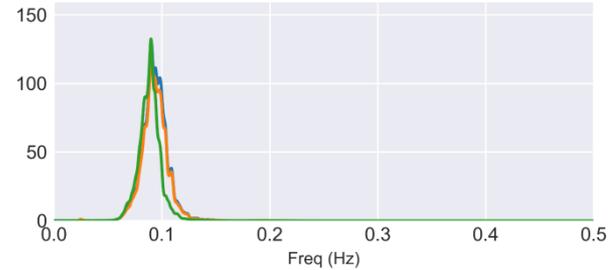
PtfmSurge (m²/Hz)



PtfmHeave (m)



PtfmHeave (m²/Hz)

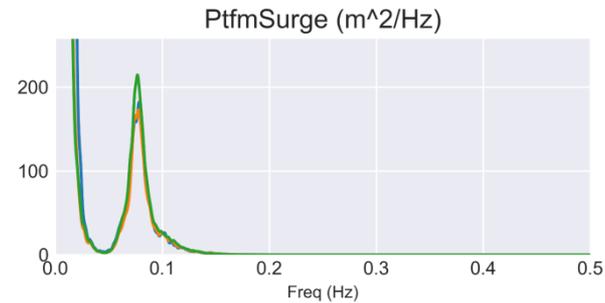
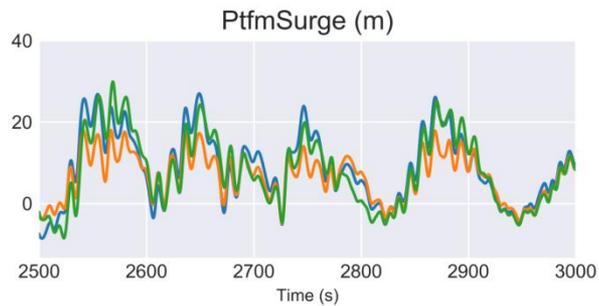
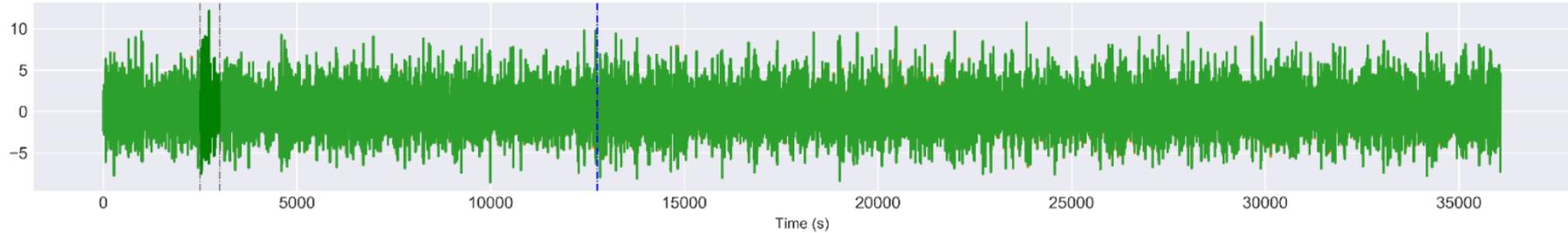


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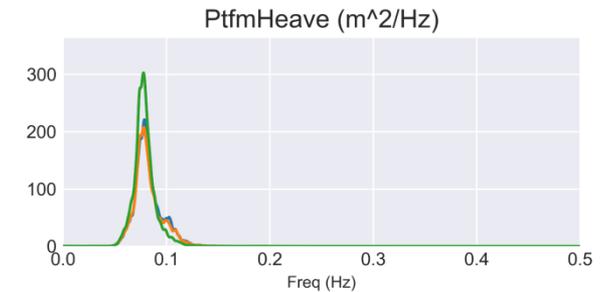
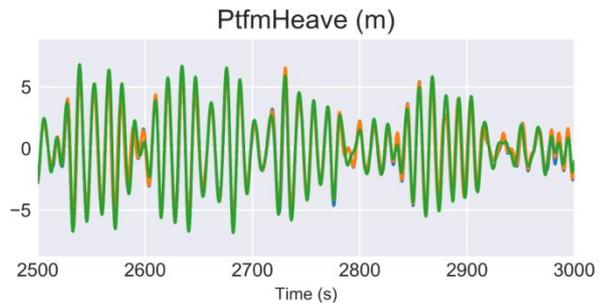
Numerical validation

IFR_IR_H9p4_T13p0_DO_W0p0 (High steepness)

Wave1Elev (m)



- FAST
- IFREMER
- SIMA



- Soft mooring set-up – **Simplifications of results**
- Only wave tests – **No extra phenomena (wind or current)**
- Duration of the tests – **3 hour sea-states**
- Wave tank basin characteristics – **No reflection**
- Potential theory – **Over-estimation of the results**
- SATH Technology – **Non-linear response for different wave steepness**
- Newman's Approximation – **Verified for SATH concept**
- Optimization of the mooring system – **Adjustment of numerical models**



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