



# EERA DEEPWIND 2021 "OC6 semisubmersible under waves and constant thrust"

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- Objective & methodology
- Test matrix
- Selection of results
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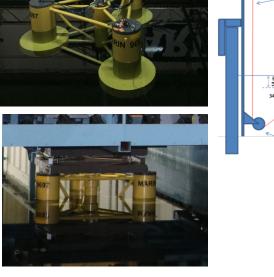
## Background: IEA Wind task OC6 led by NREL

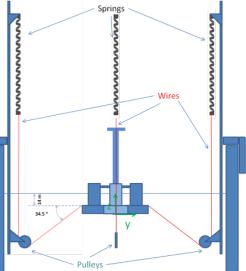


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• Configuration 1: moored with spring lines









3 A N Robertson et al, "OC6 Phase I: Investigating the under-prediction of floating wind turbine loads at their natural frequencies", J. Phys.: Conf. Ser. 1618 032033

#### **OC6 + constant thrust**

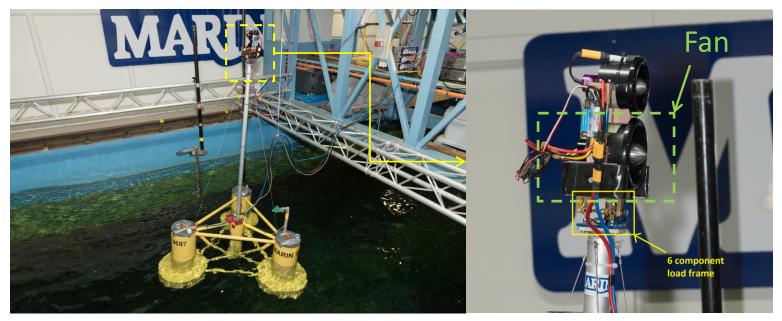


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• OCF = OC6 configuration 1

ducted Fan (constant thrust)







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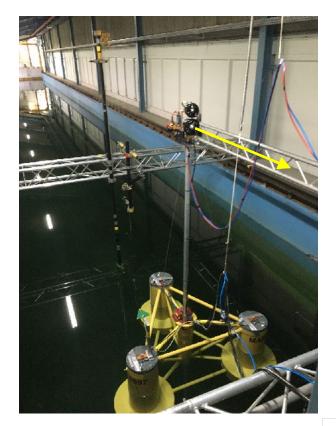


Goal:

 Obtain experimental results of the response of a floating wind semisubmersible under the combined effect of waves and constant thrust.

How?

 Add multiple levels of thrust to the wave conditions of the OC6 phase I config 1







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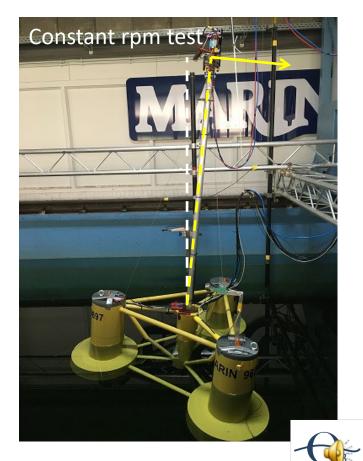
### **Test matrix**



- Static load
  - Surge (14 steps)
- Decay
  - Surge, sway, heave, roll, pitch, yaw
- Wave only

• Wind only (i.e. 7 levels of rpm)

• Wave + wind (i.e. constant levels of rpm)





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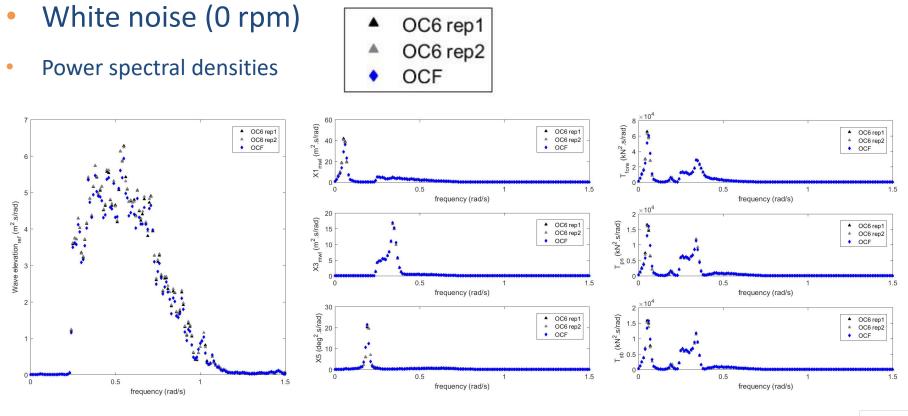
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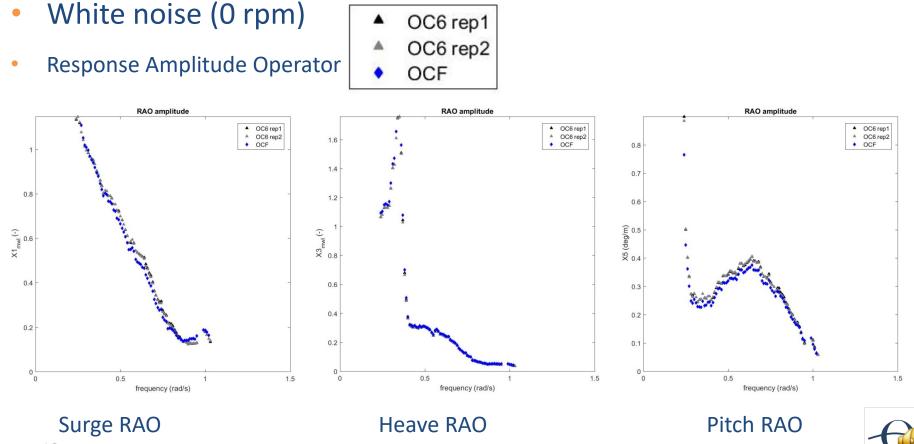


Wave elevation PSD

Motion PSD

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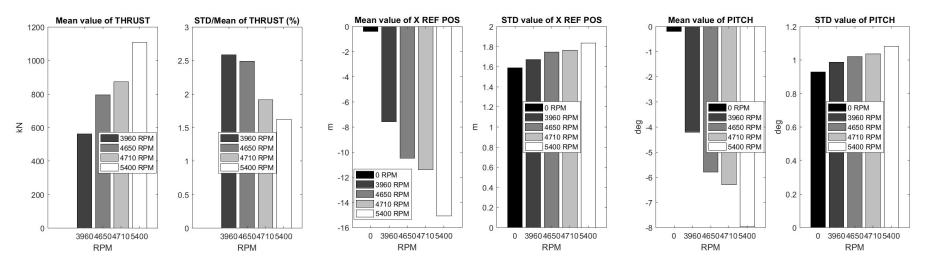




## **Effects of thrust on response**

- White noise (0, 3960, 4650, 4710, 5400 rpm)
- Mean value & standard deviation





Thrust

Surge

Pitch



## **Effects of thrust on response**

OCF

OCF 3960RPM

OCF 4650RPM

\* OCF 4710RPM

OCF 5400RPM

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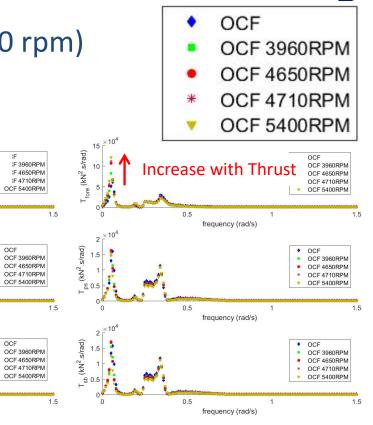
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(deg<sup>2</sup>.s/rad)

5 0

X3<sub>mwl</sub> (m<sup>2</sup>.s/rad)

Power spectral densities 



Mooring line tension PSI

Wave elevation PSD

frequency (rad/s)

1

0.5

Motion PSD

Increase with Thrust

frequency (rad/s)

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OCF

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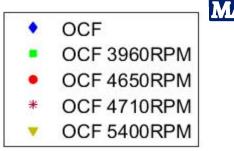
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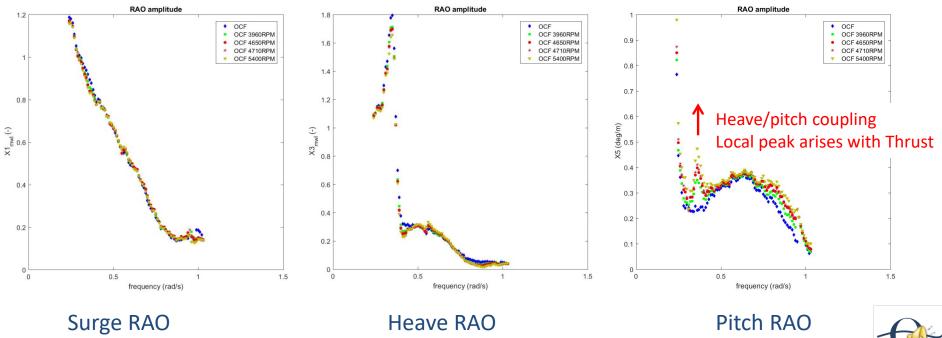
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- Response Amplitude Operator







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