

Seabed Bathymetry and Friction Modeling in MoorDyn

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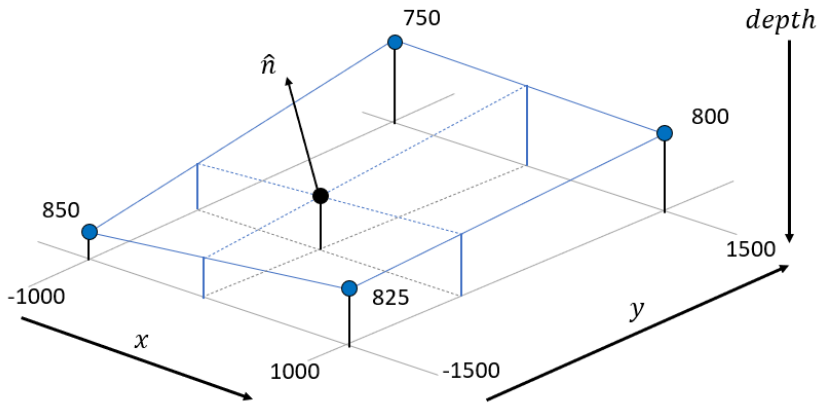
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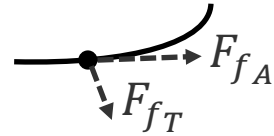
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New Features Implemented into MoorDyn

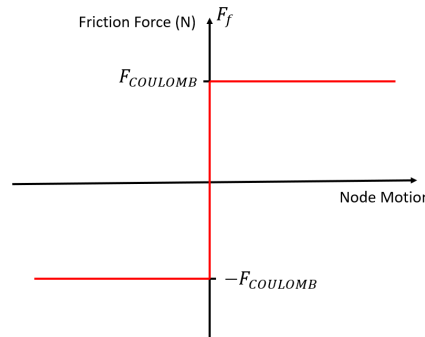
- Seabed Bathymetry
 - Any 3D rectangular discretization
 - Bilinear Interpolation



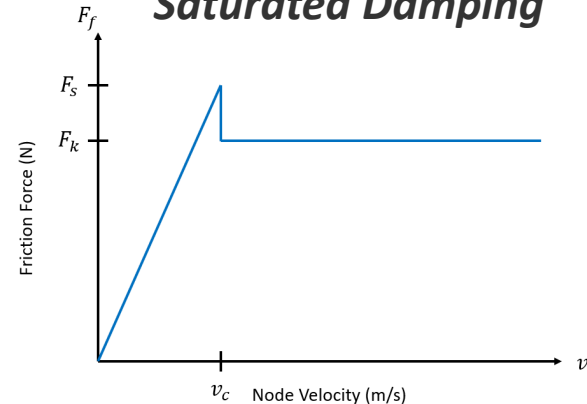
- Seabed Friction
 - Numerical problems with standard Coulombic Model
 - Saturated Damping Model
 - Axial and Transverse Friction



Coulombic

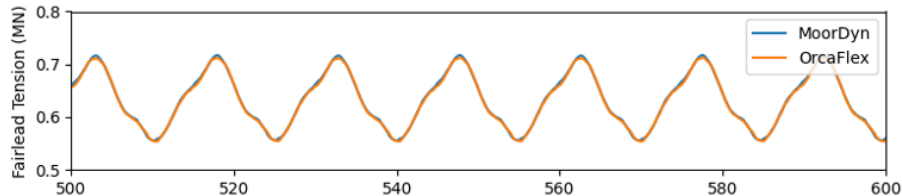
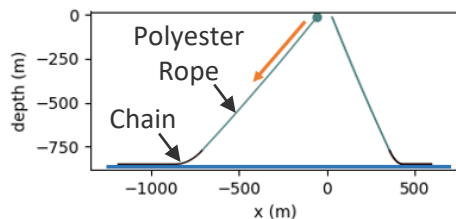


Saturated Damping

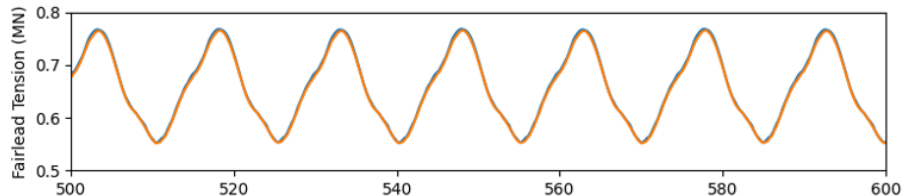
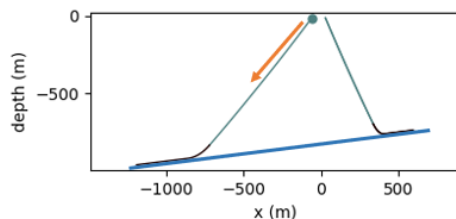


Bathymetry Verification with OrcaFlex

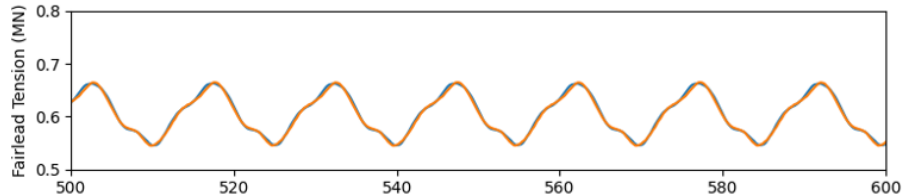
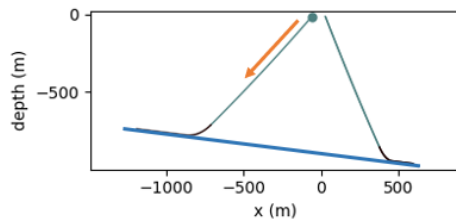
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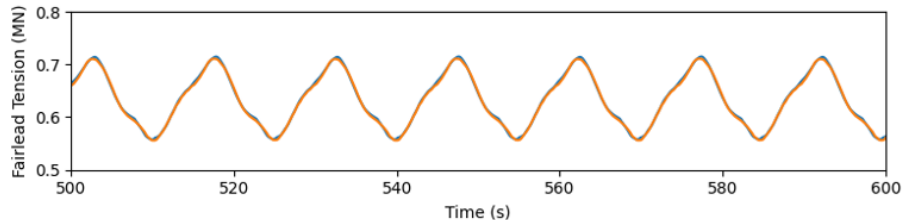
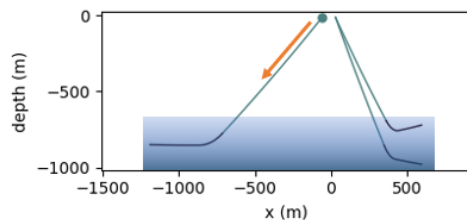
Upslope



Downslope



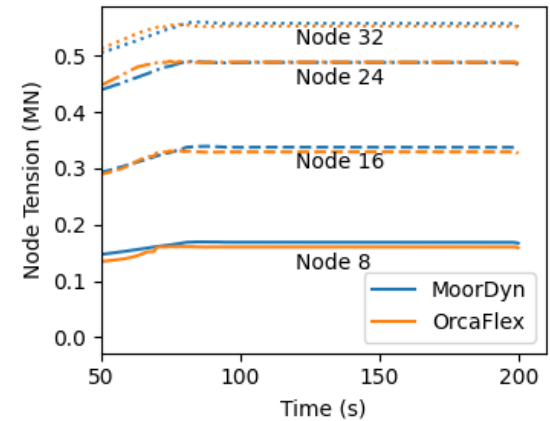
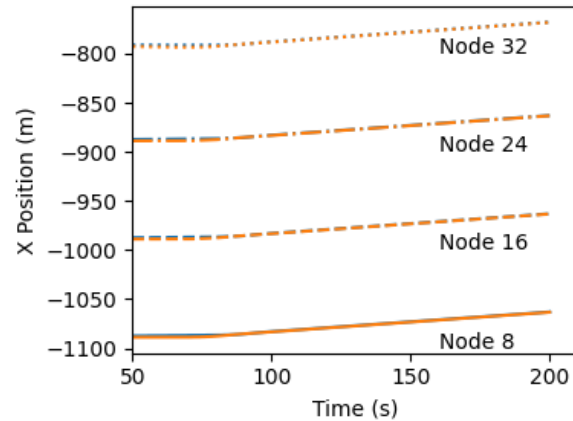
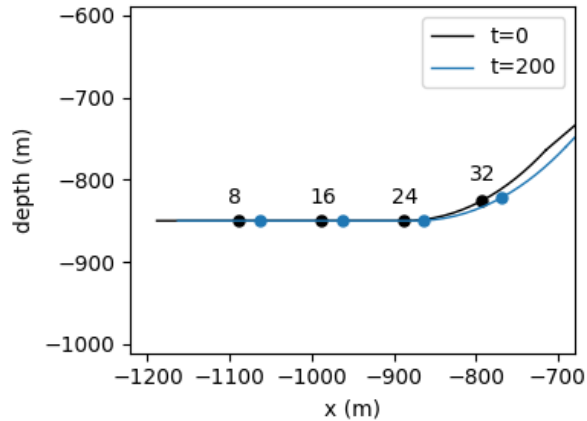
Sideslope



Axial Friction Verification with OrcaFlex

Single mooring anchor failure

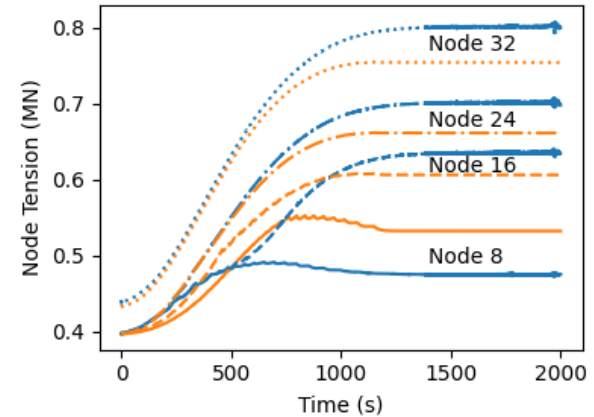
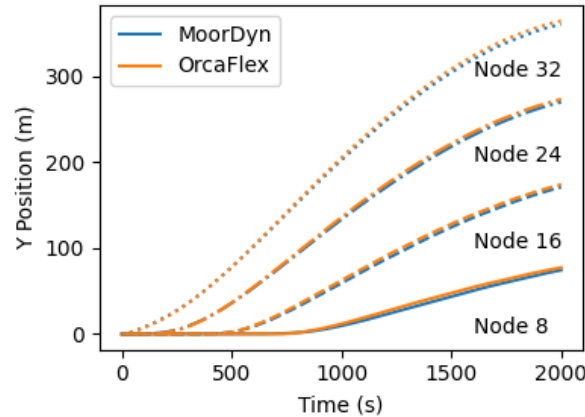
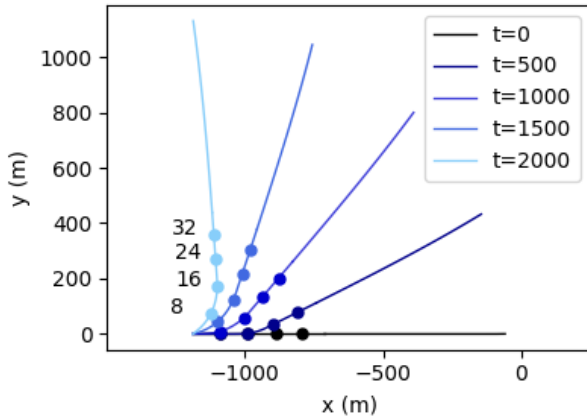
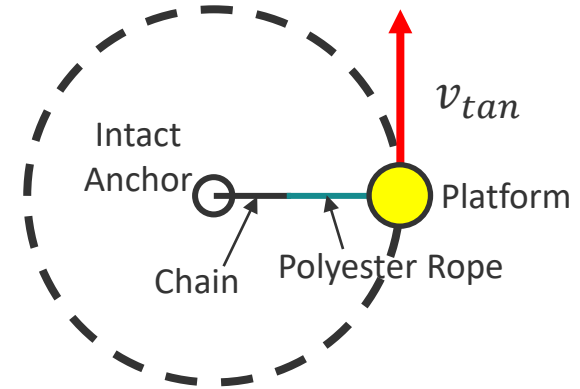
- Programmed motion in x-direction
- Anchor failure causes nodes to drag axially across seabed



Transverse Friction Verification with OrcaFlex

Single mooring circular motion

- Programmed motion in tangential direction
- Circular motion causes nodes to drag transversely across seabed



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