

Validation of a panel method with full-scale FOWT measurements and verification with engineering models

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- **Methods**
- **Verification**
- **Validation**
- **Summary**



Verification models

OpenFAST + Orcaflex

- OpenFAST coupled with

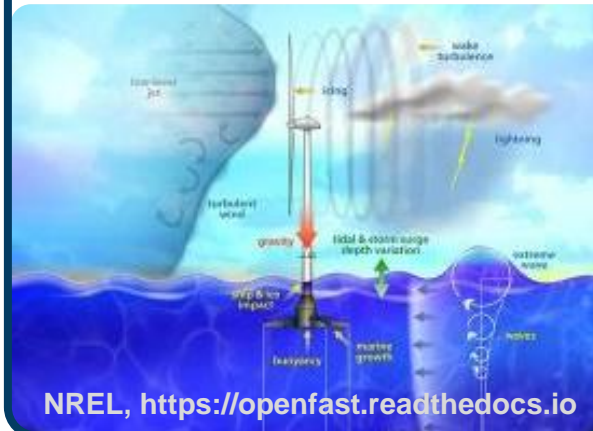


- Validated with measurement data (conservative)

BW Ideol

OpenFAST

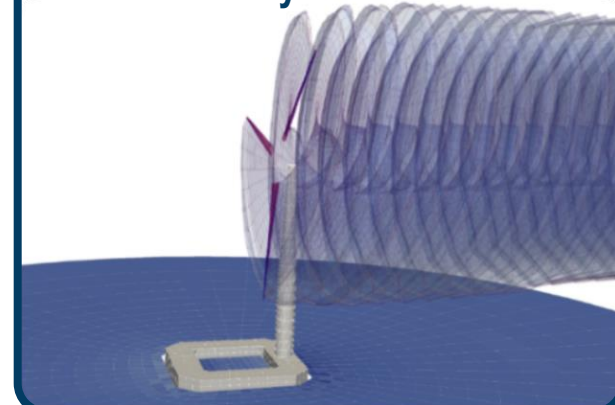
- OpenFAST modules
- Coefficients from BW Ideol's model



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panMARE

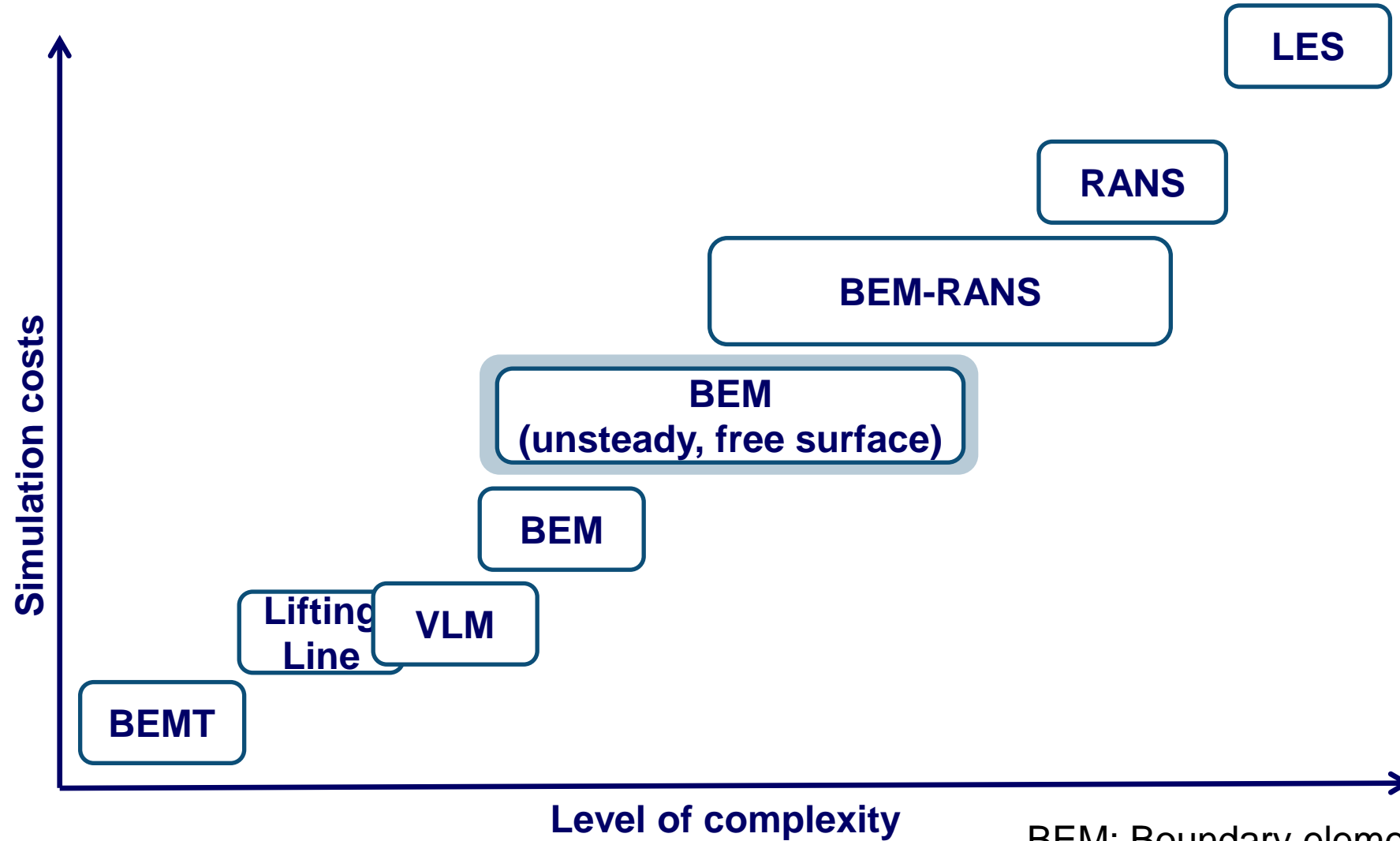
- First order panel method
 - for aerodynamics
 - for hydrodynamics
- Geometry from BW Ideol



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Engineering methods (BEMT + frequency-based BEM)

High fidelity method (fully BEM)



BEM: Boundary element method
BEMT: Blade element momentum theory

panMARE – Panel code for maritime applications and research

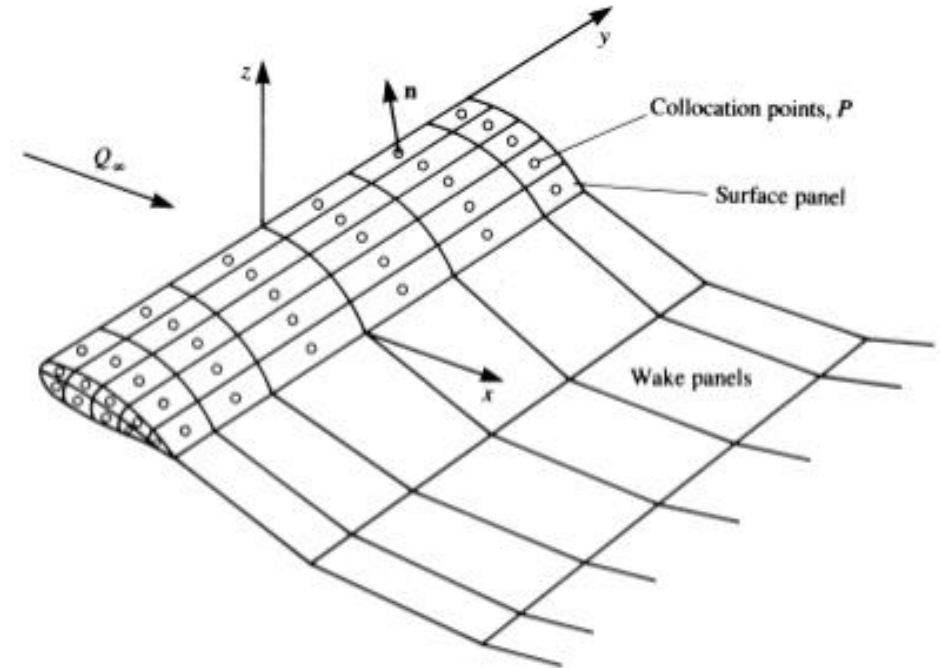
- Boundary element method (BEM)
- Three-dimensional
- Low-order panels
- Potential theory (inviscid, irrotational and incompressible)
- Superposition principle

$$\Phi = \Phi_{induced} + \Phi_{wave}$$

- Fluid velocity is given by gradient of velocity potential

$$\nabla\Phi = \vec{v}$$

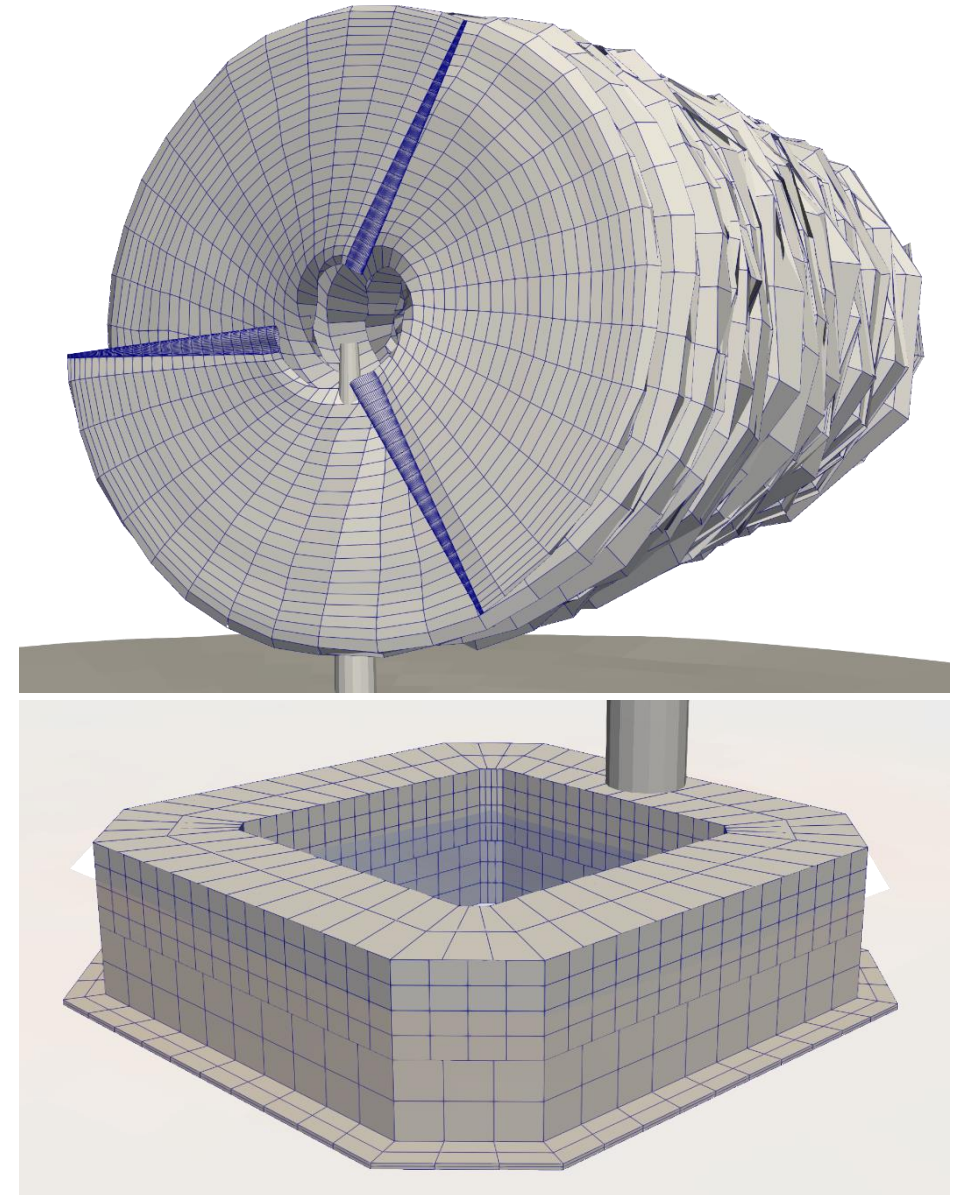
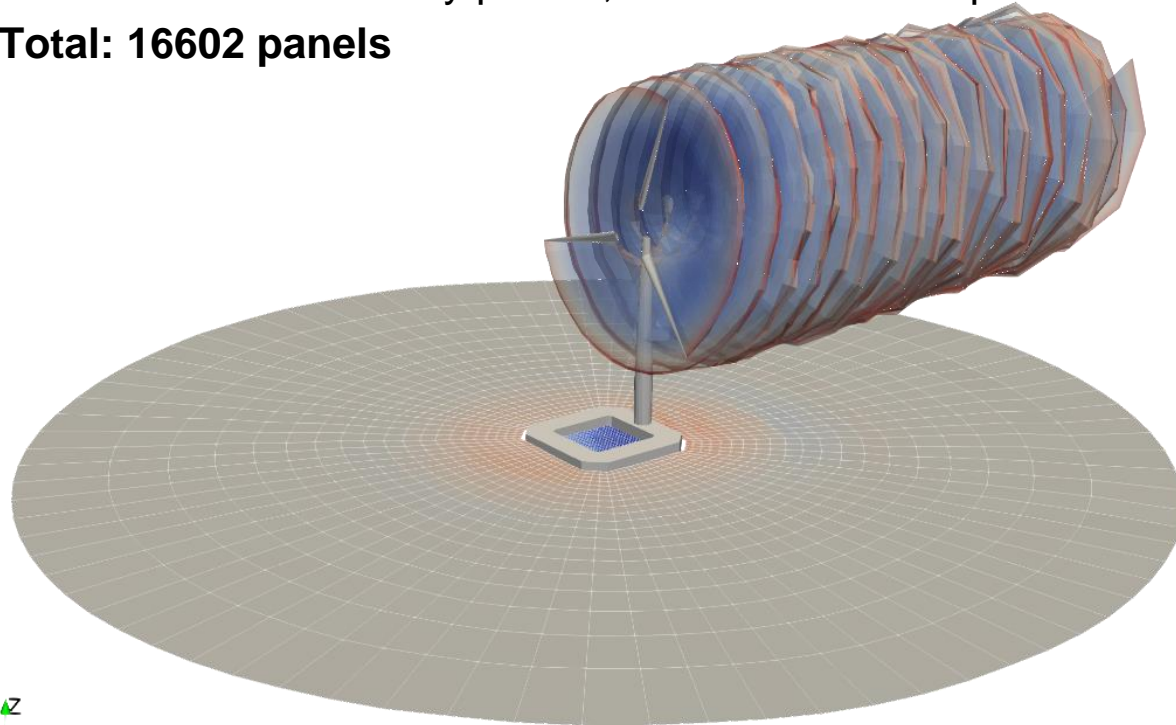
- Bodies: source and doublet panels, Dirichlet boundary condition
- Rotor wake: free vortex wake, doublet panels, iterative deformation
- Platform: instantaneous wetted surface
- Free surface: semi-Lagrange, Dirichlet, kinematic and dynamic boundary condition



Joseph Katz and Allen Plotkin. Low-Speed Aerodynamics. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge [u.a.], second edition, 2001.

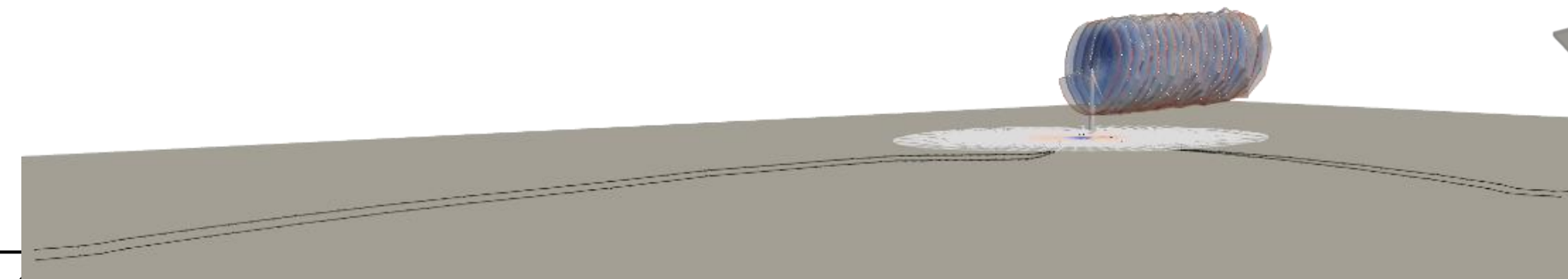
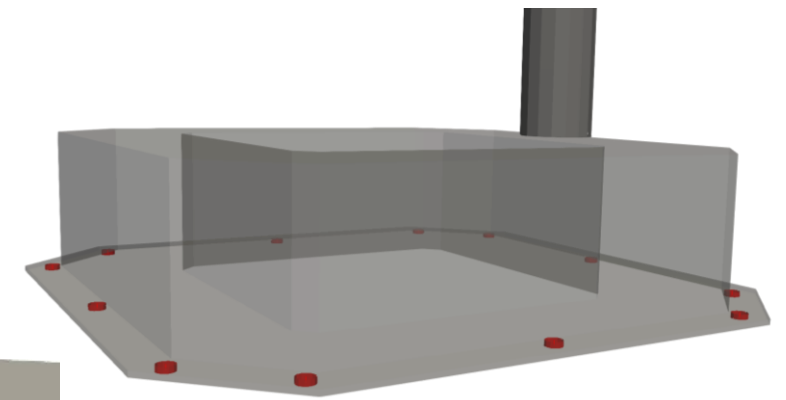
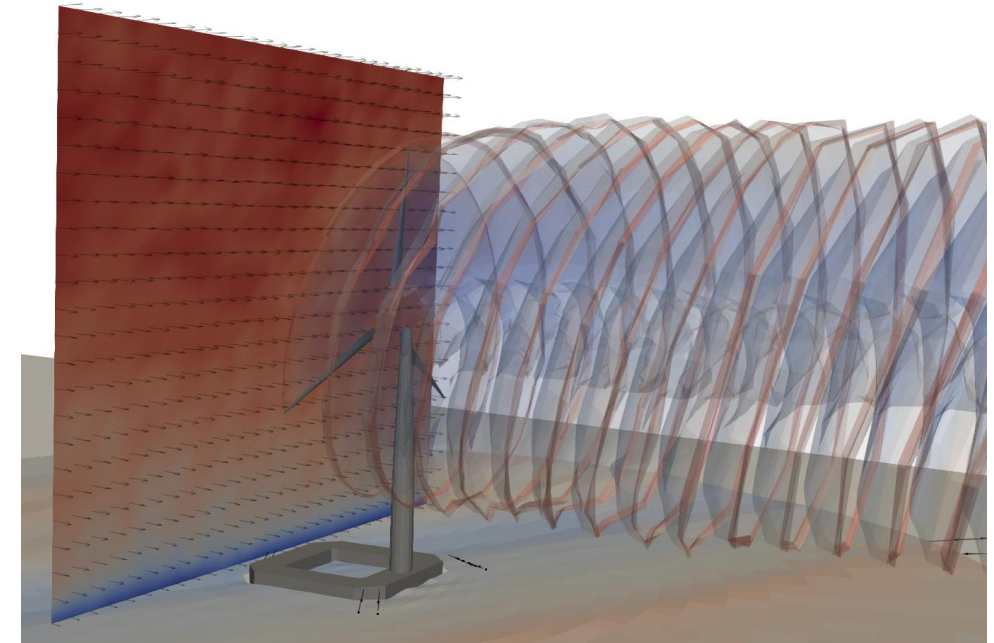
BEM

- **Aerodynamic domain**
 - Rotor: 3900 body panels, 8850 wake panels
 - Tower: 160 body panels
- **Hydrodynamic domain**
 - Platform: 1836 body panels, 1856 free surface panels
- **Total: 16602 panels**



Additional techniques

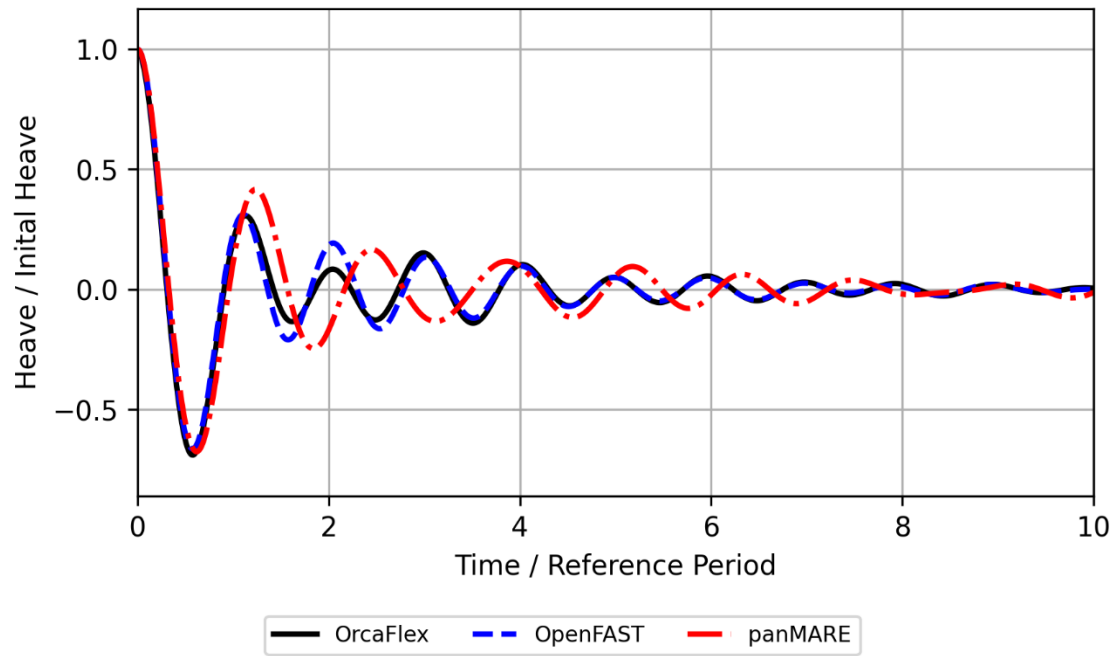
- **Mooring: Lumped mass model**
 - 318 nodes
 - Synthetic fiber ropes (static-dynamic stiffness)
- **Additional heave drag elements (Morison drag)**
- **Rigid model**
- **6+1 DOF (6 platform, 1 rotor)**
- **Turbulent wind field based on TurbSim scheme**
- **Integrated controller Bladed DISCON interface**
 - Simulation controller differs from real turbine



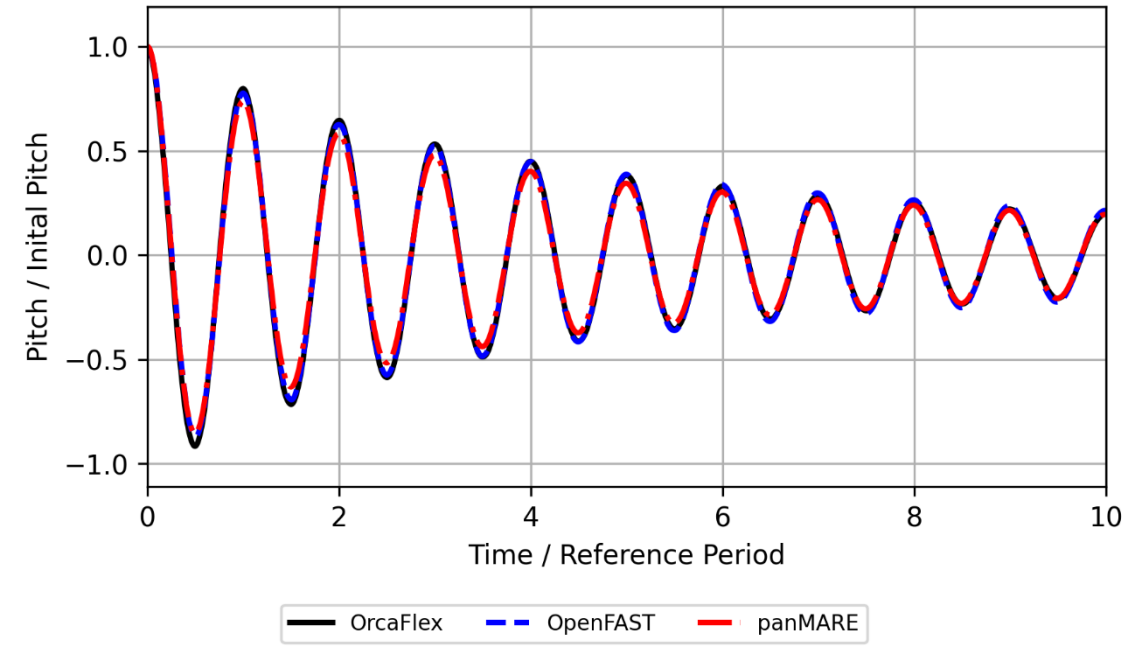
Verification

Decays, RAO and random seaway

Heave decay

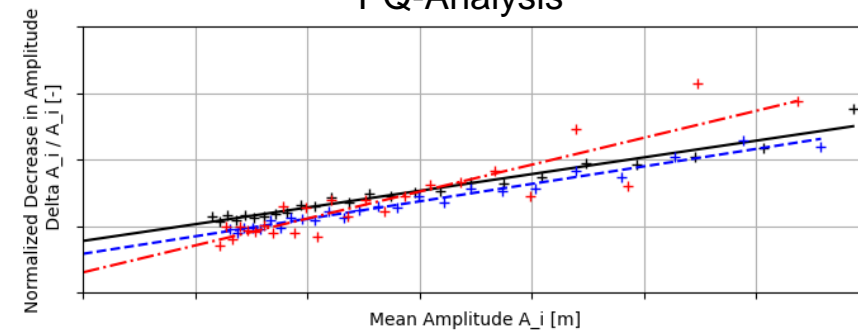


Pitch decay



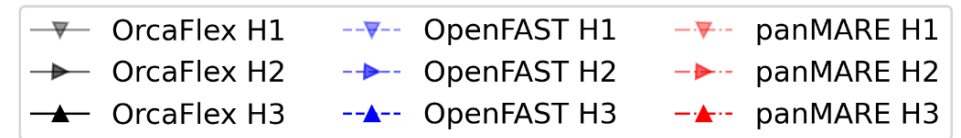
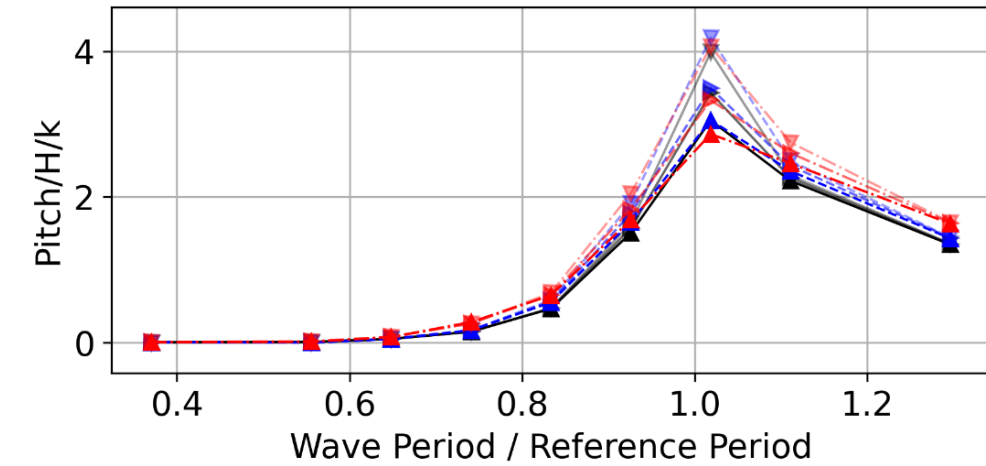
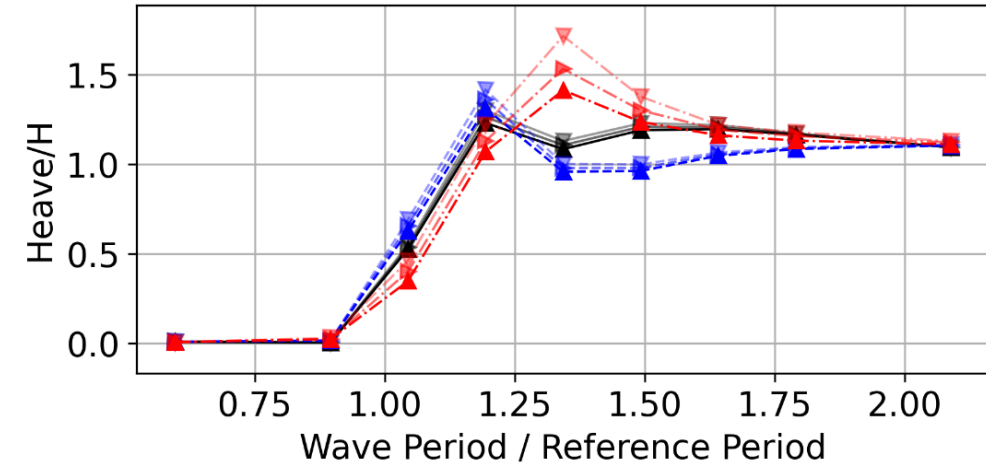
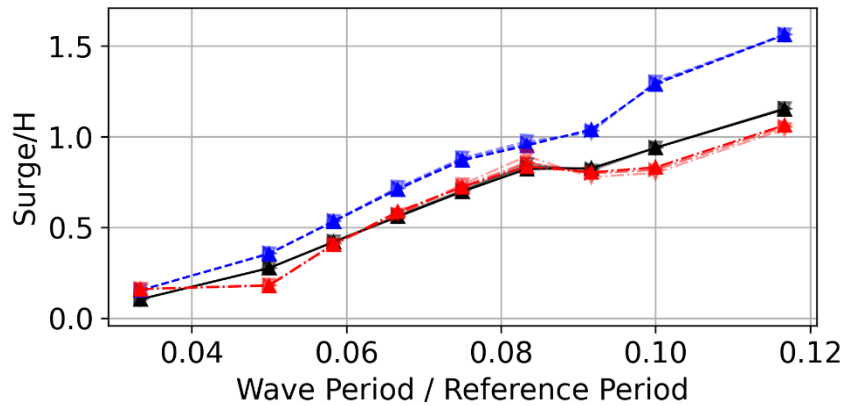
- Reference period from OrcaFlex results
- Initial heave equal in all cases

PQ-Analysis



RAO

- Regular waves
- Different wave heights ($H1 < H2 < H3$)
- Reference periods from free decay
- Heave: Dependent on free surface parameters in *panMARE* and treatment in OrcaFlex / HydroDyn

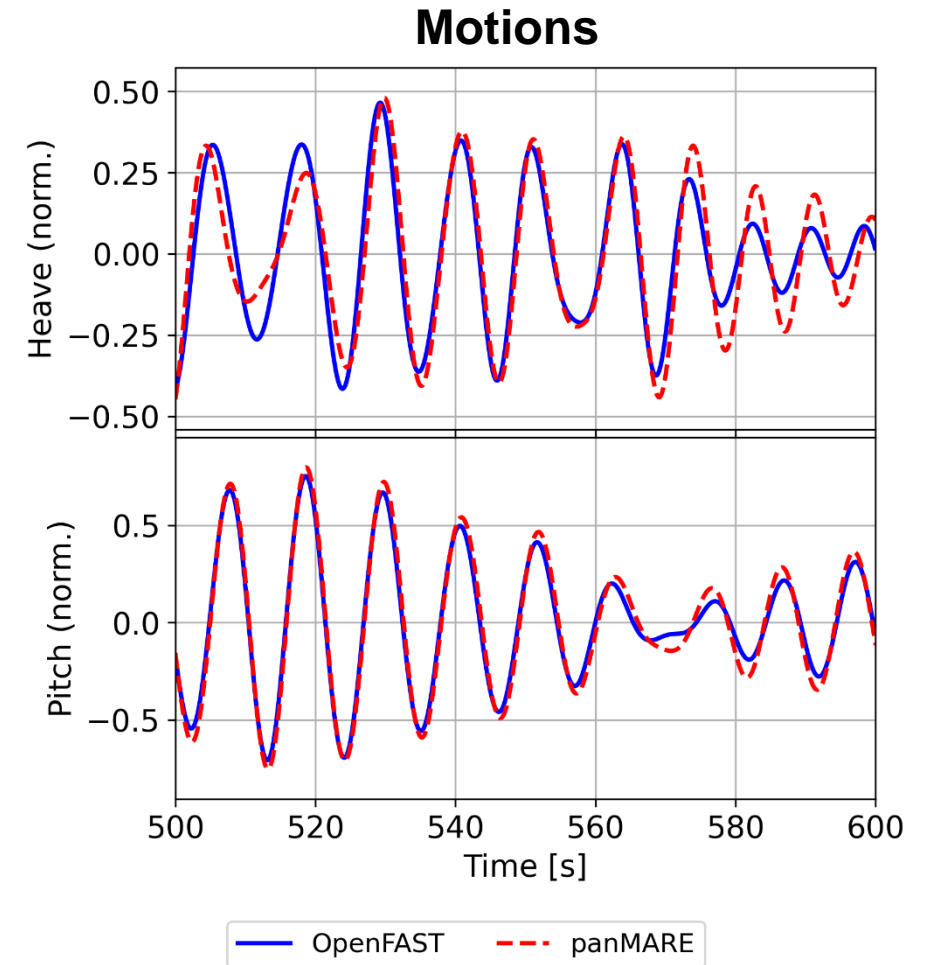


Coupled simulation

- wind speed: 11 m/s
- significant wave height: 1.5 m
- Identical random seaway
- Identical turbulent wind field

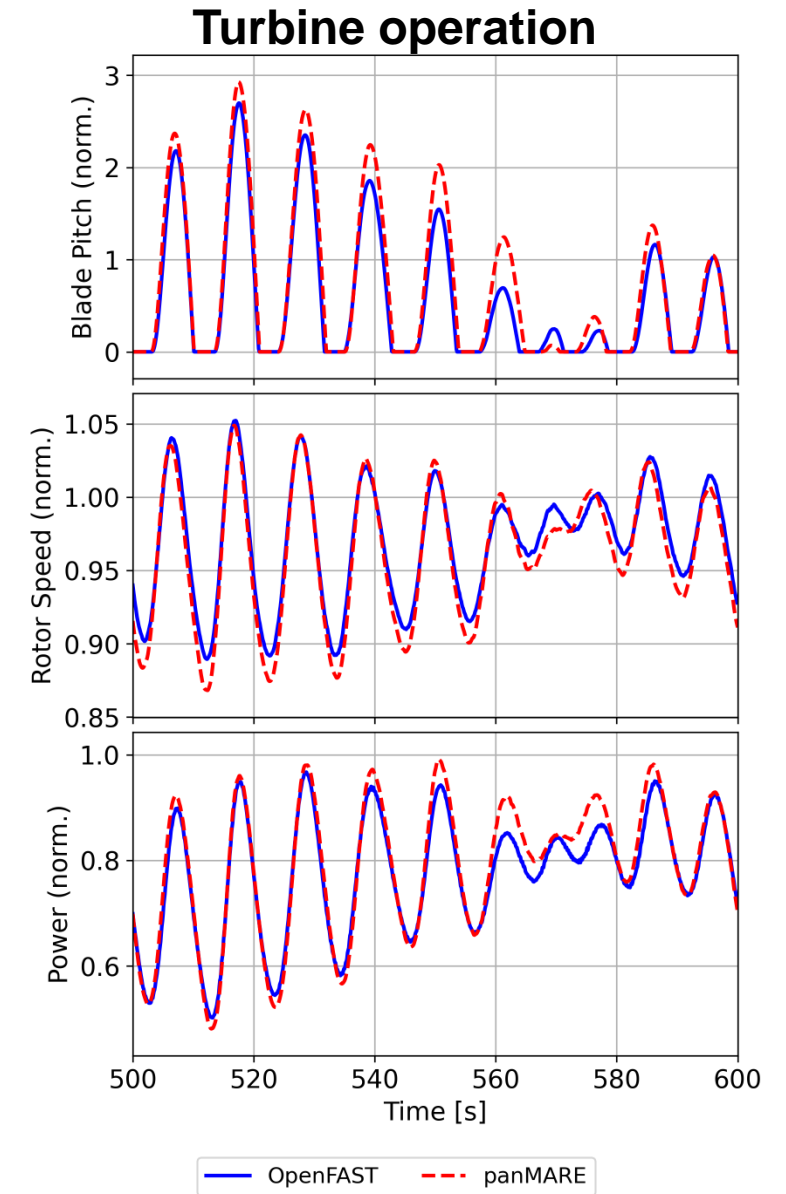
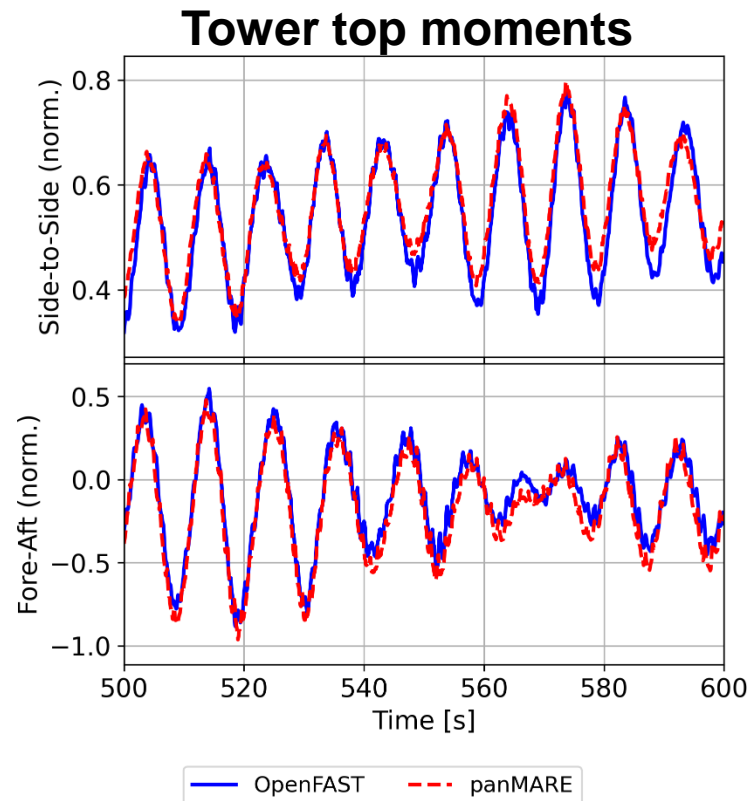
- **Results**
 - Deviations in heave motion
 - Good agreement of pitch motion

 - Consistent with decay and regular wave RAOs

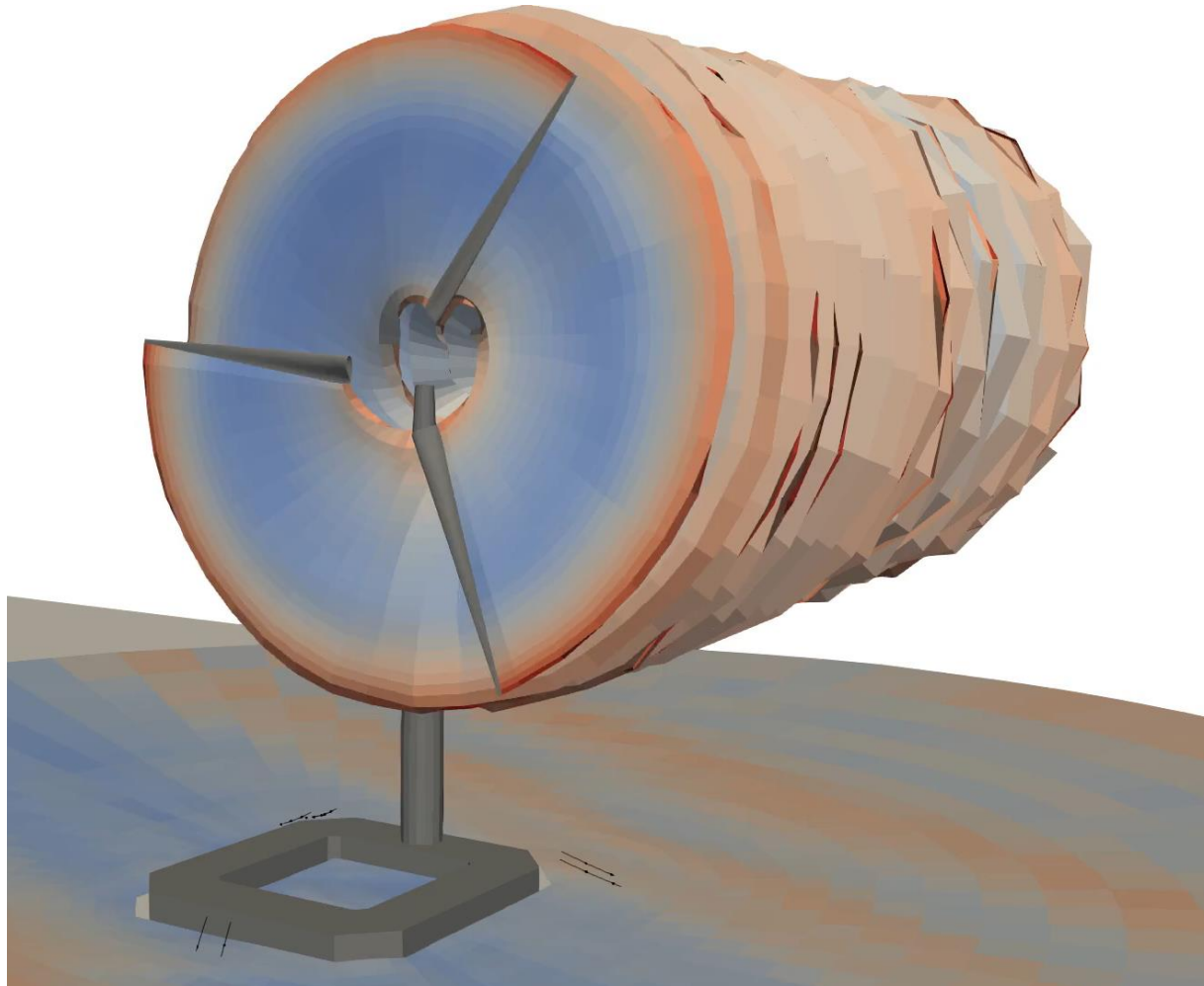


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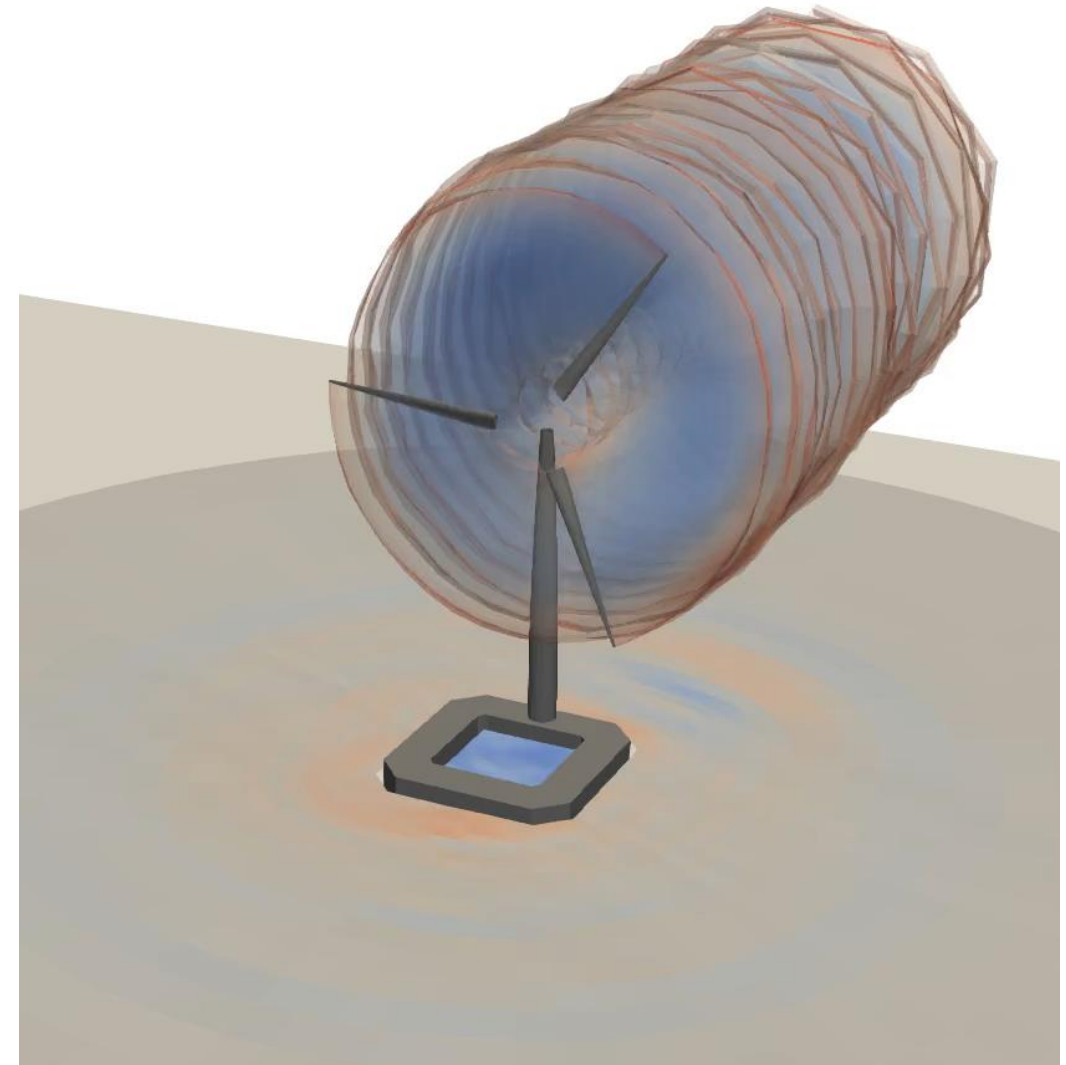
- **Good agreement of tower top bending moments and power**
 - Differences due to neglected structural deformations of tower and blades
- **Differences in rotor speed due to different aerodynamic modelling**
- **All results normalized (norm.), divided by constant reference**



Wake – Doublet strength



Free surface – Induced elevation



Hybrid Simulations

Prescribed motion and constraint wind field

Validation in time-domain using full-scale data

Problem

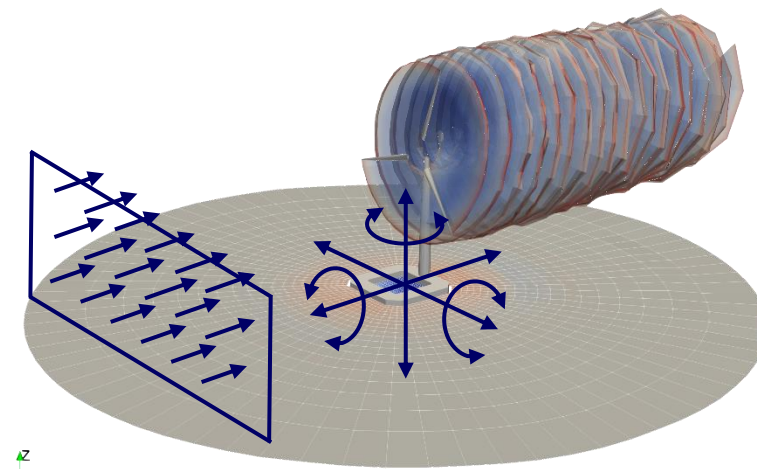
- Wave elevation at platform unknown
- Waves dominate the platform motions

Approach

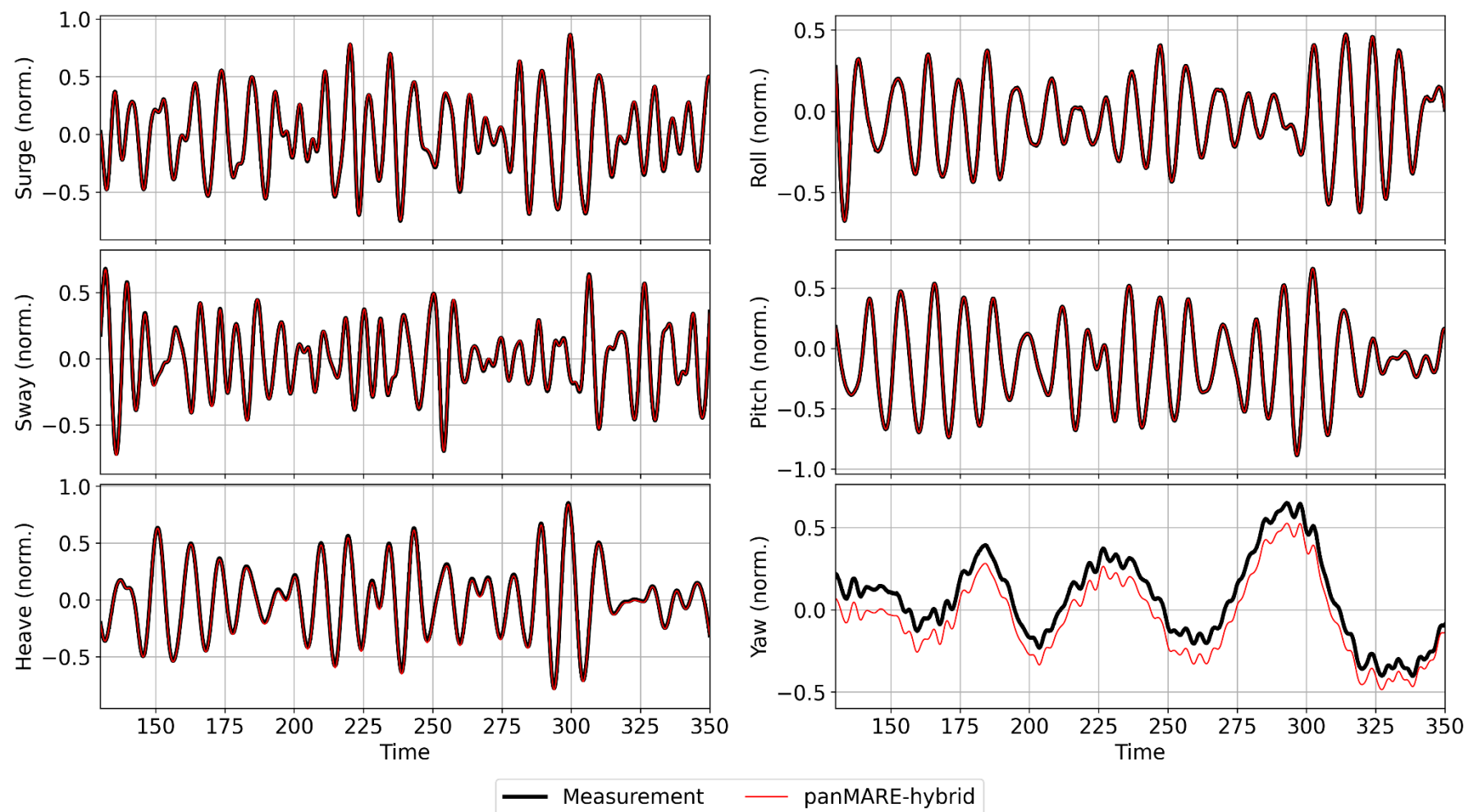
- Prescribe motion of the simulation model with measurement data
- Wind field reconstructed from LIDAR measurement (low frequency coherence)
- Hydrodynamic simulation is suppressed



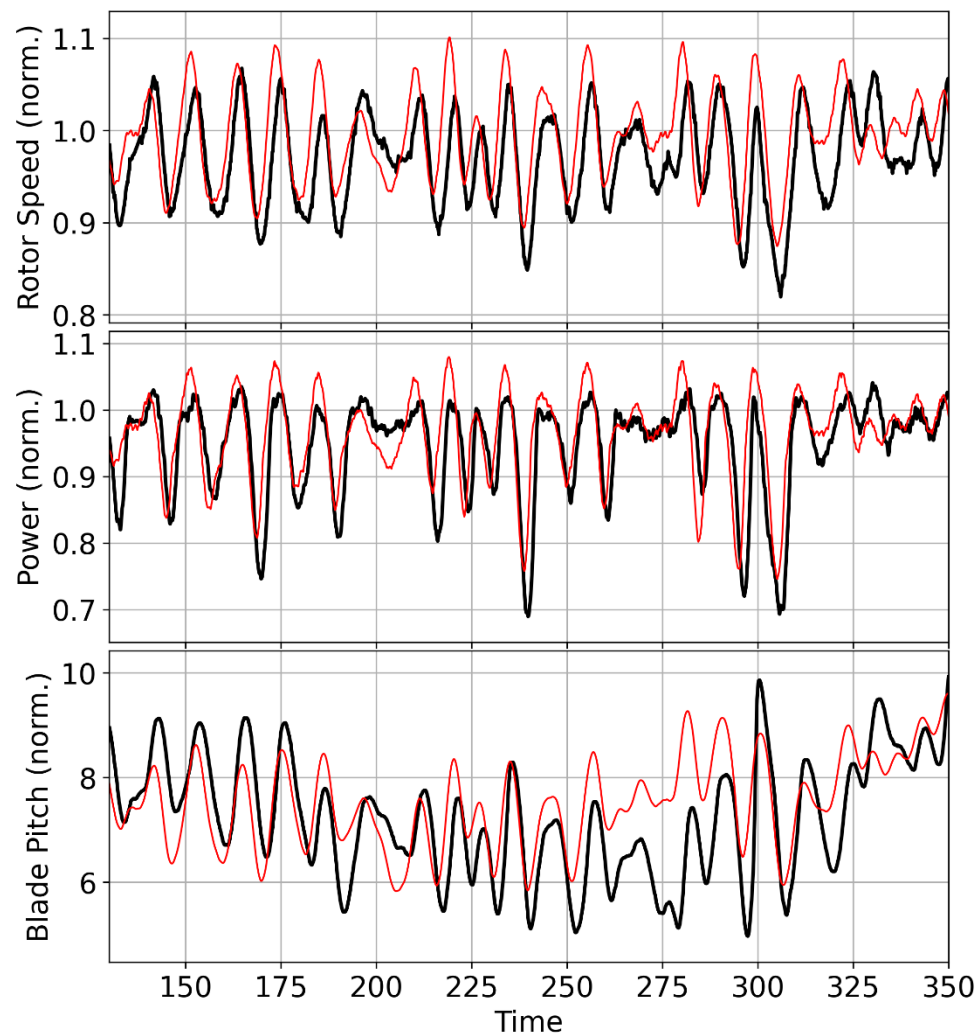
Prescribed motion and constrained wind field



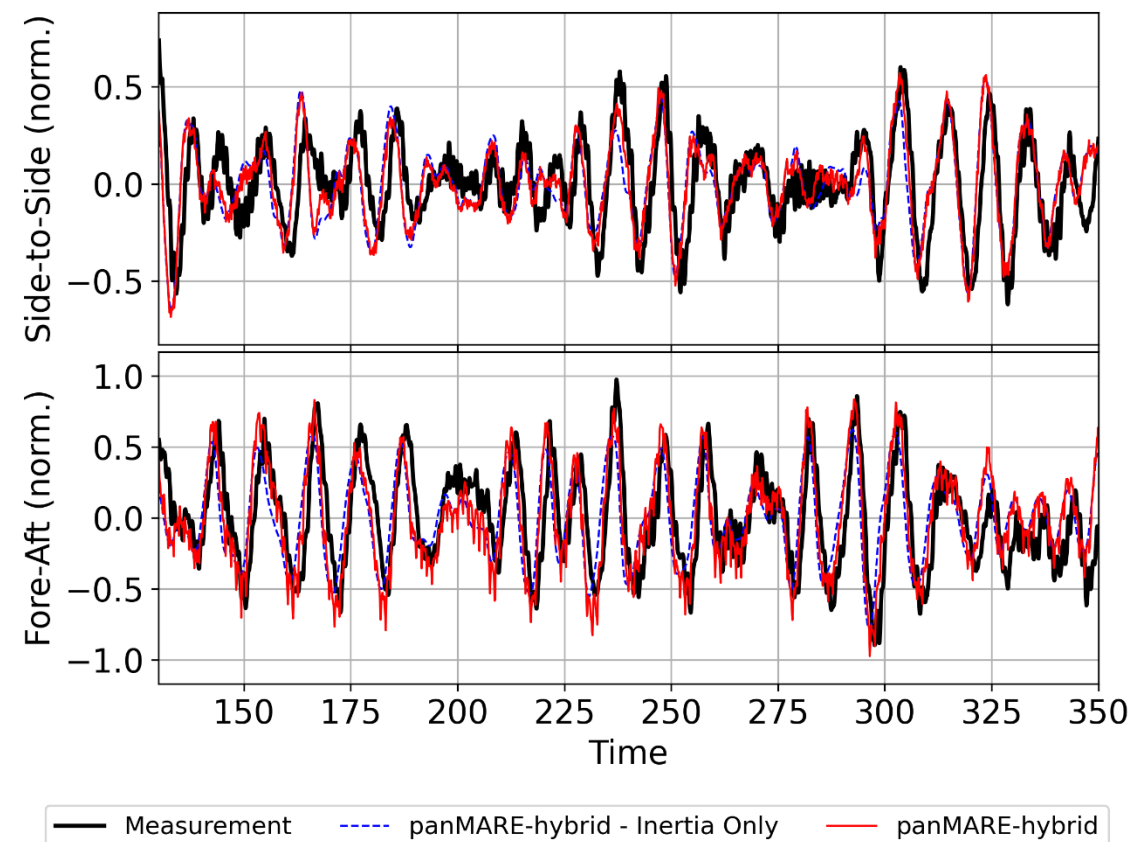
Motions are prescribed based on measurement data, LIDAR reconstructed wind field



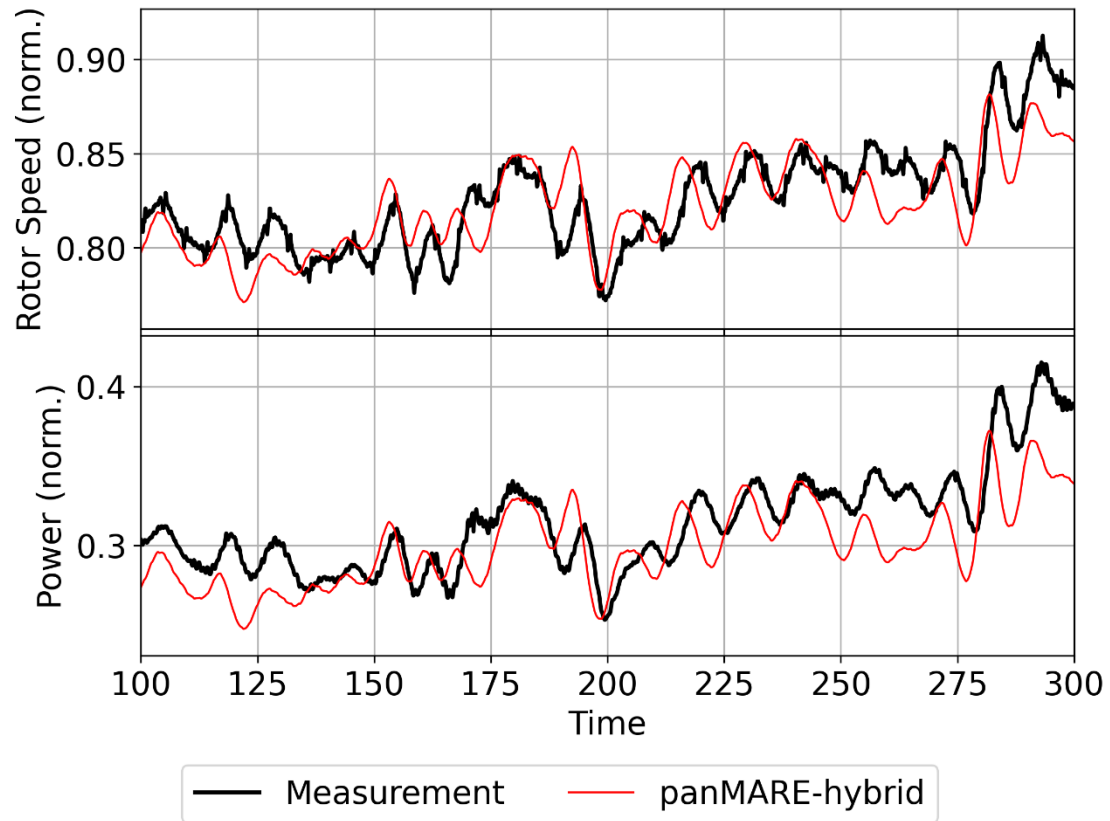
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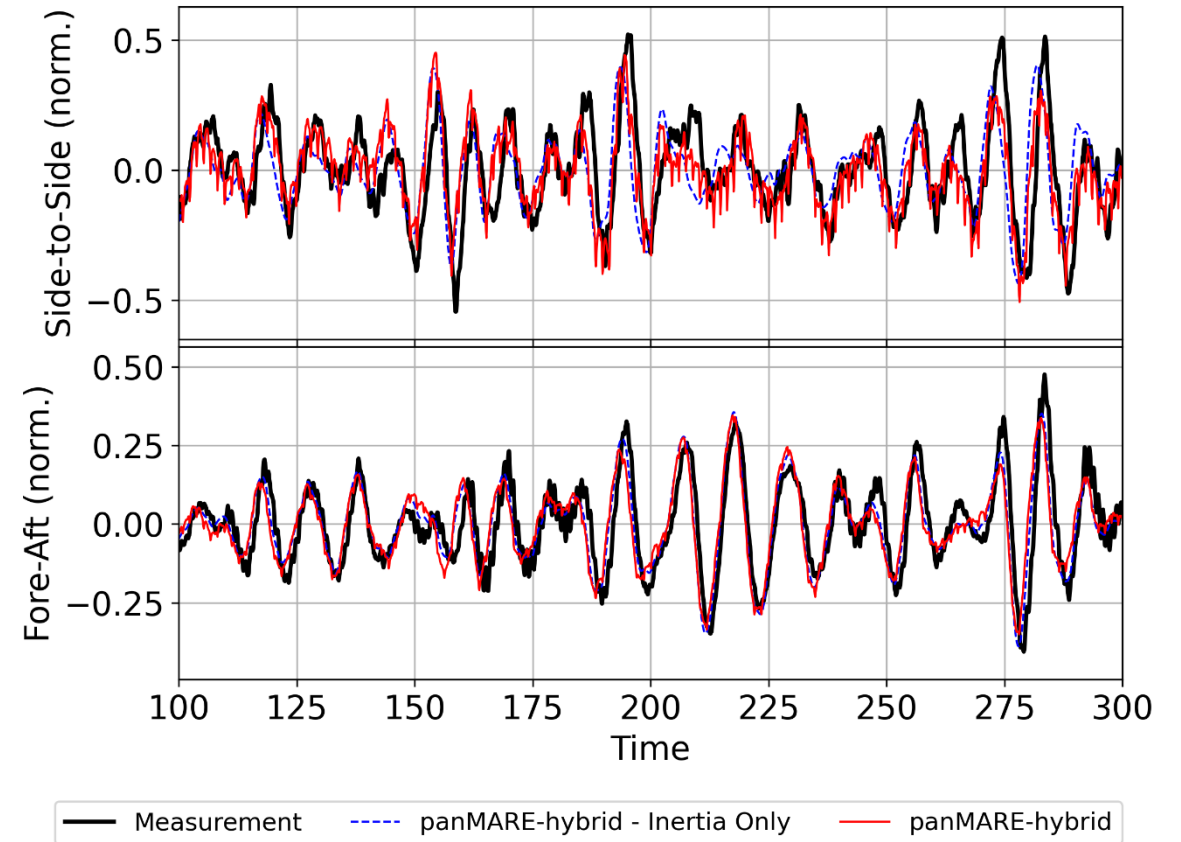
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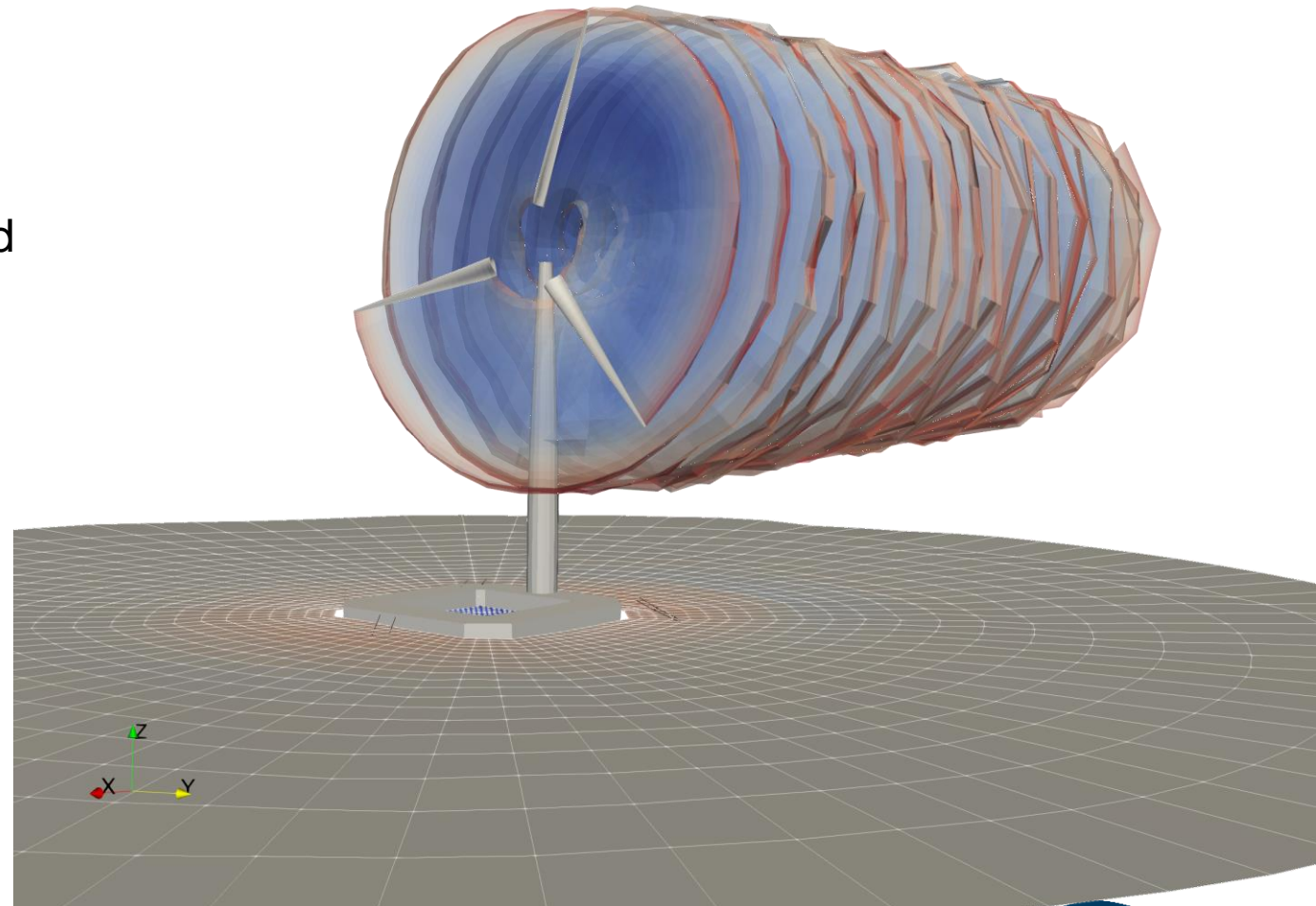
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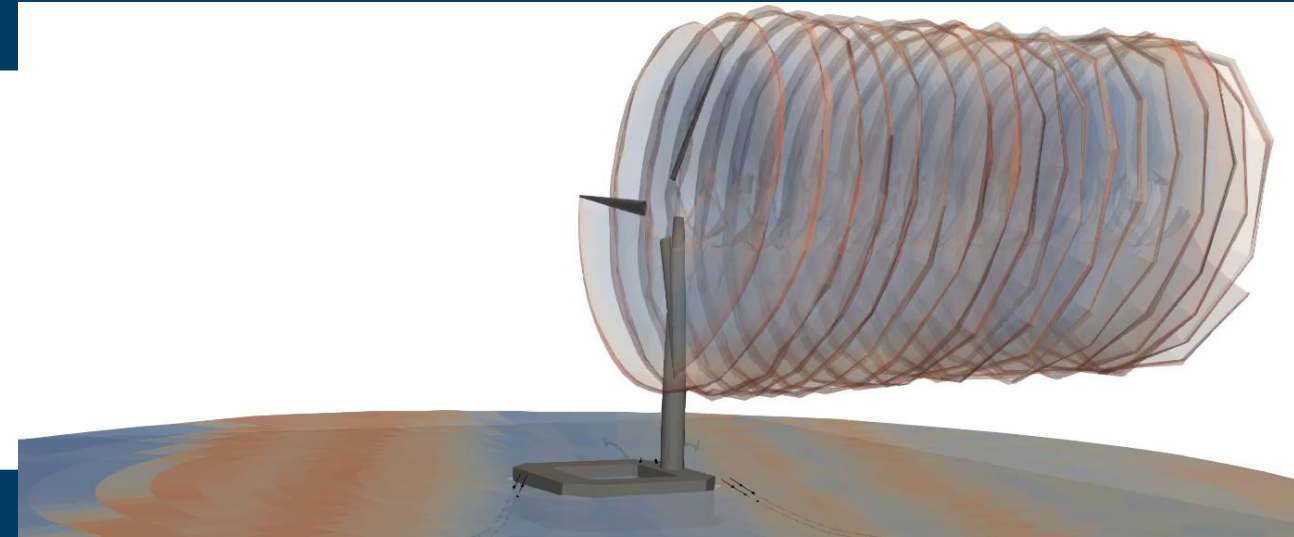
- **Verification**
 - Overall good agreement
 - Heave motion depending on free surface parameters
- **Hybrid simulation**
 - Accurate validation of the aerodynamics and inertia loads
 - Good agreement for turbine operating parameters
 - Blade loads influenced by rigid blade model



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