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# Effect of the shape of extreme waves on the loads on a 15MW wind turbine

# The shape of waves matters...



# ...especially when computing extreme wave loads



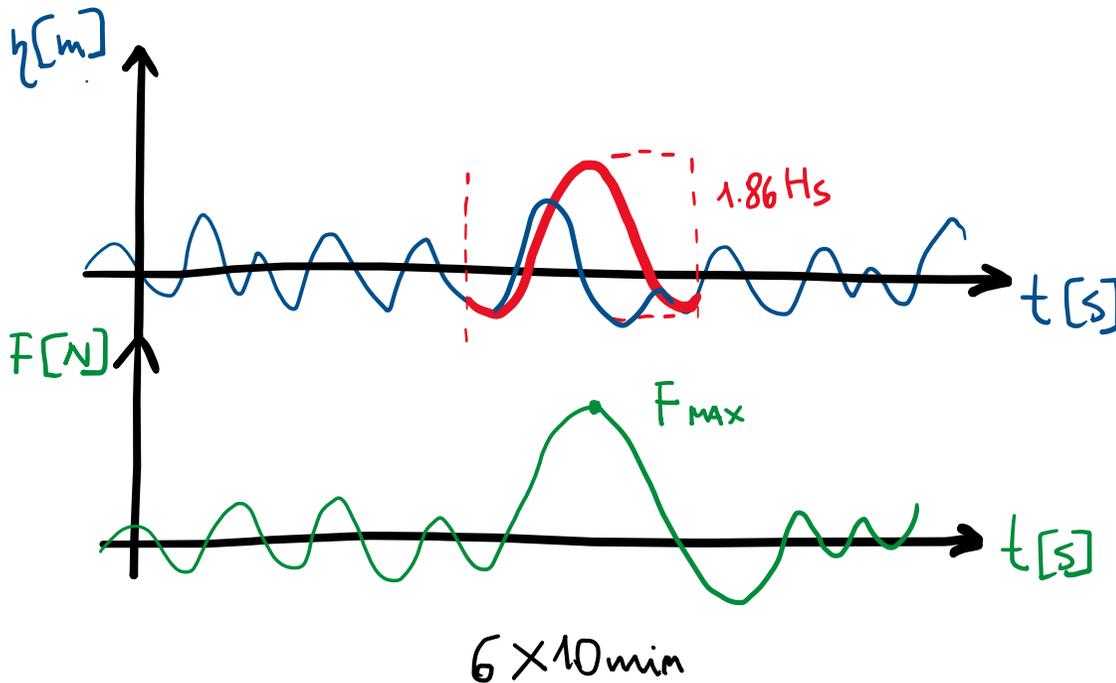
Damsgaard et al. (2007)  
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- Stochastic behavior of waves
- Complex physics
  - Wave nonlinearity
  - Wave slamming
- How to model loads accurately?

# Approach 1: A single large nonlinear wave with prescribed height (IEC Standard)

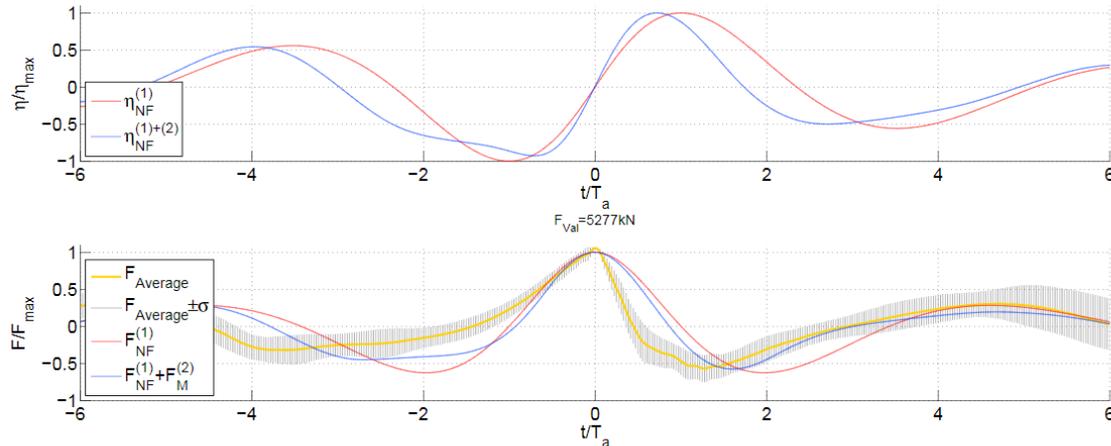
IEC61400-3:2019

*"Design requirements for fixed offshore wind turbines"*



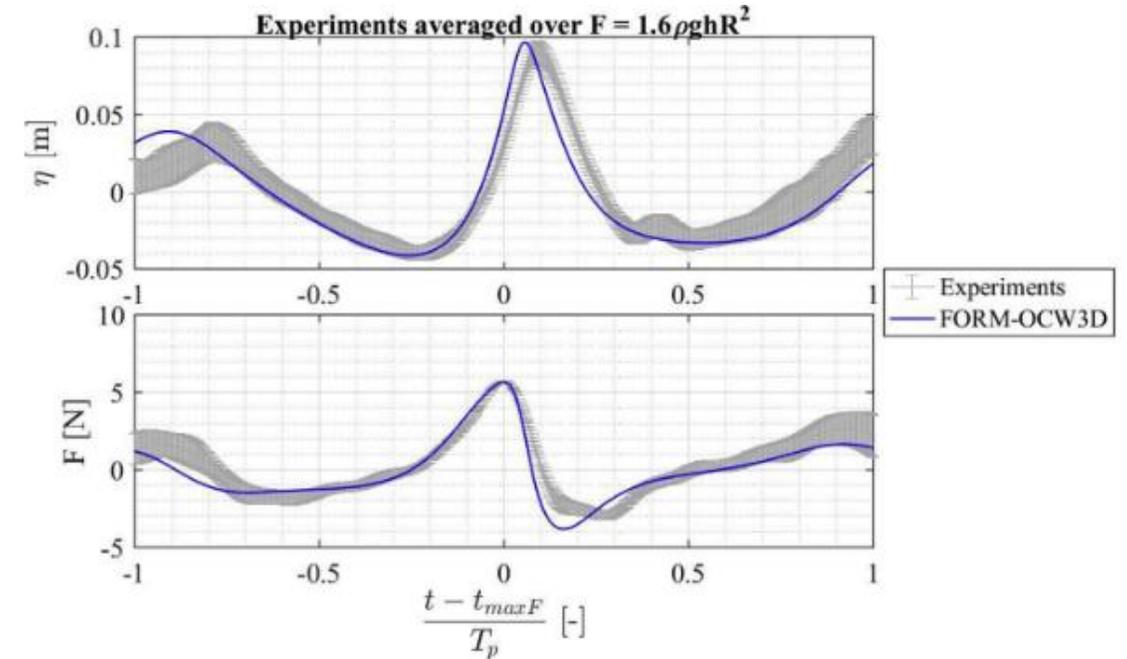
Stream Function Wave  
(Dean 1965, Rienecker and Fenton 1981)

# Approach 2: calculate the wave which is most likely to generate a force peak



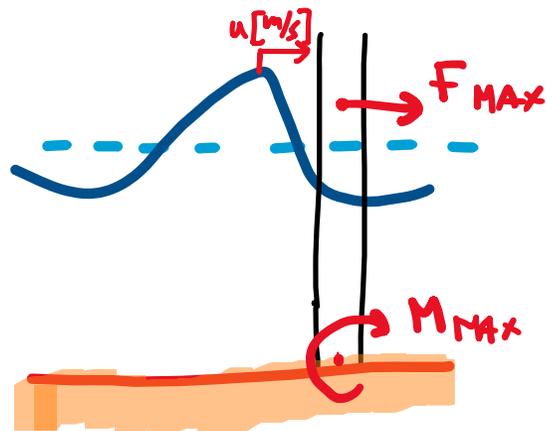
(b)  $F/(\rho ghR^2) = 1.3$ .

New Force model  
(Schlører et al. 2017)



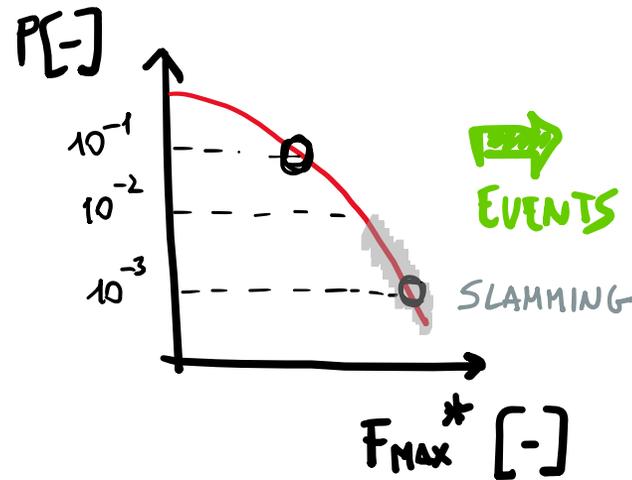
FORM + OceanWave3D  
(Ghadirian and Bredmose 2019)

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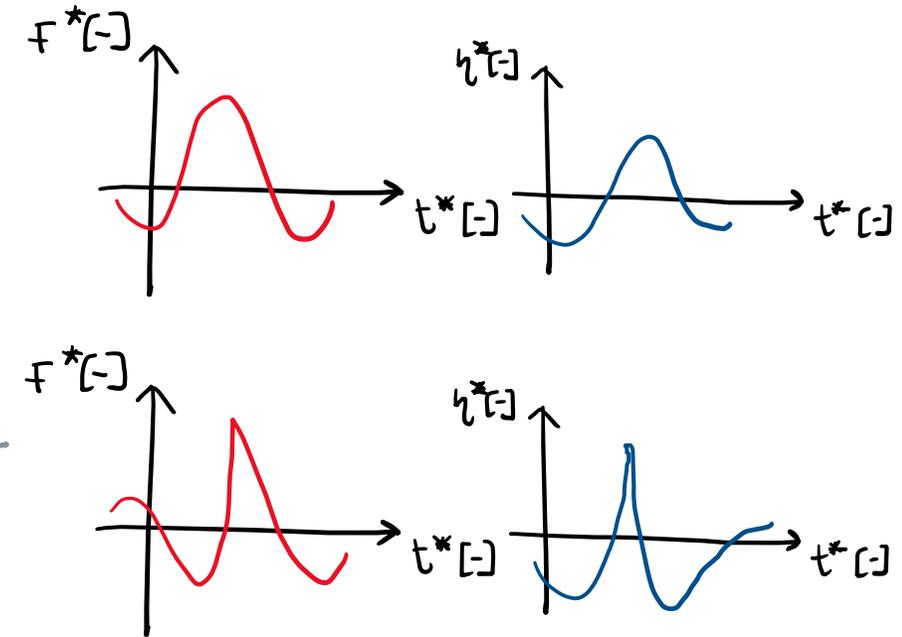
NONLINEAR KINEMATICS  
+ FORCE MODEL

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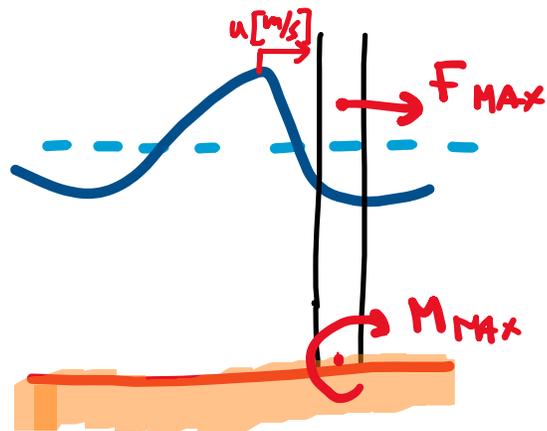


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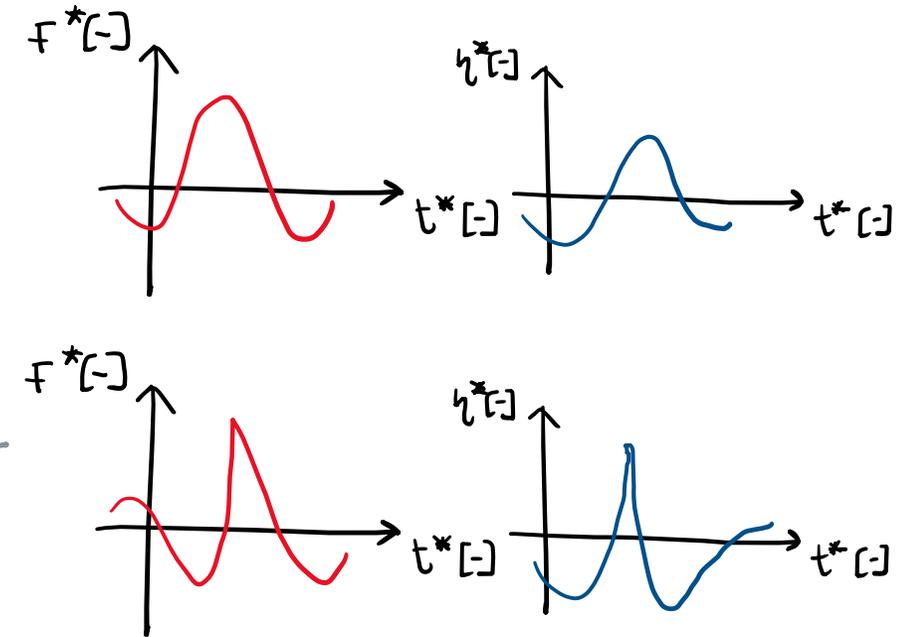
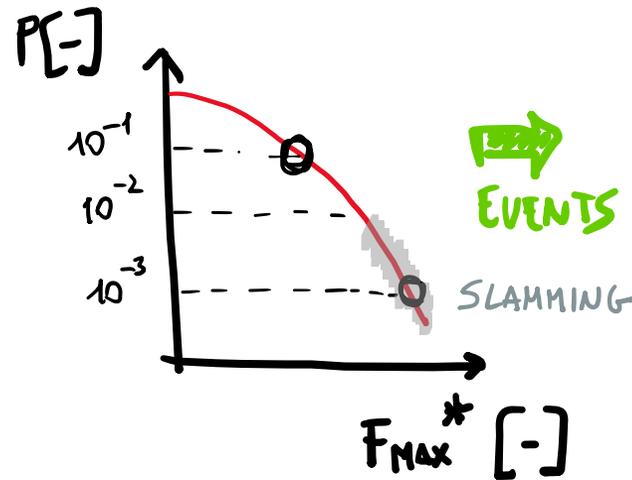
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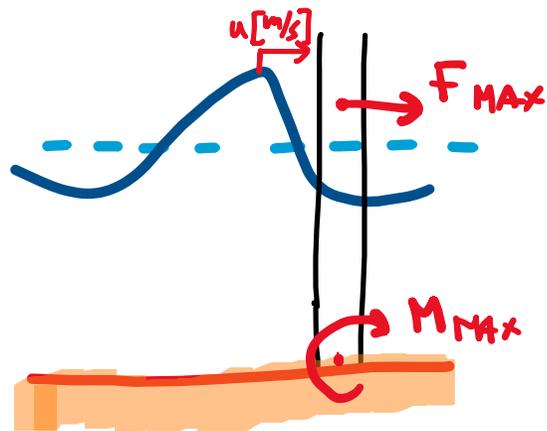
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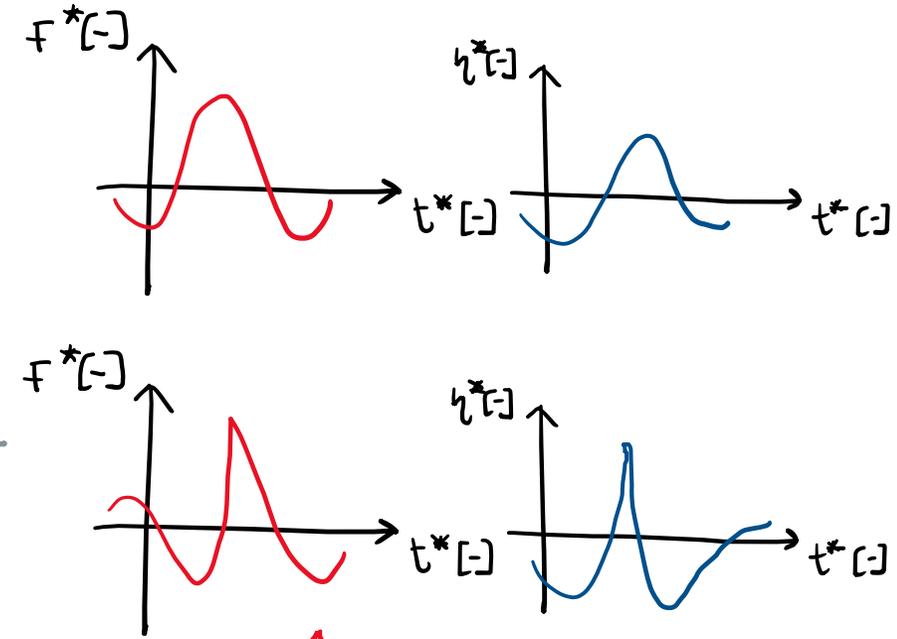
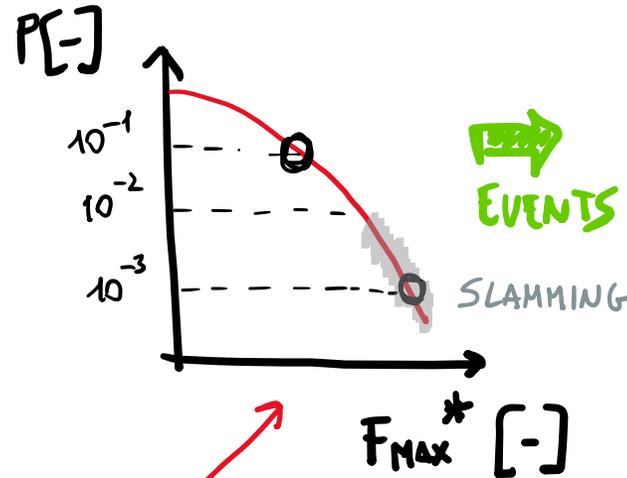
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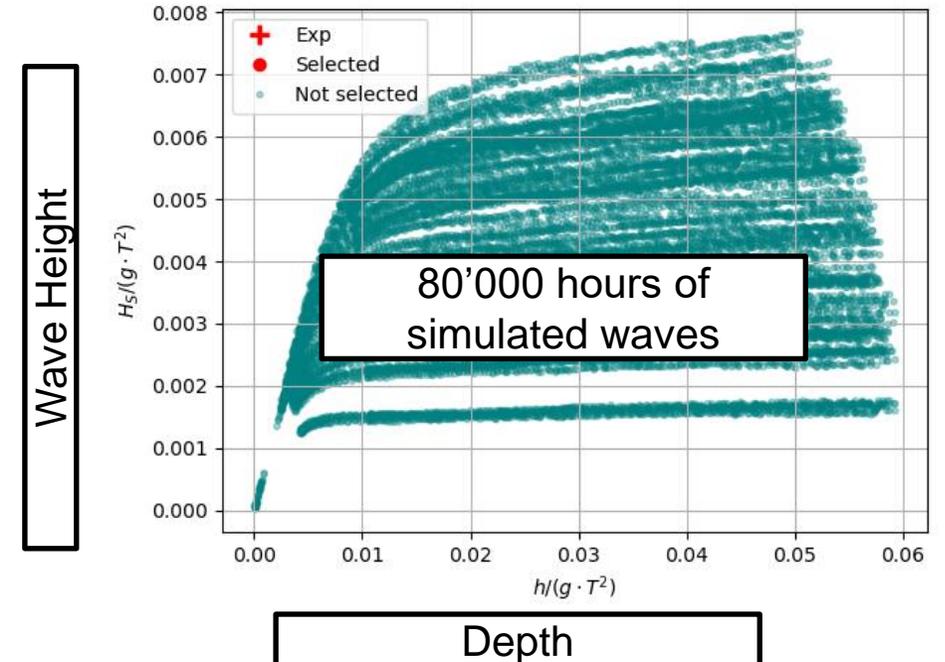
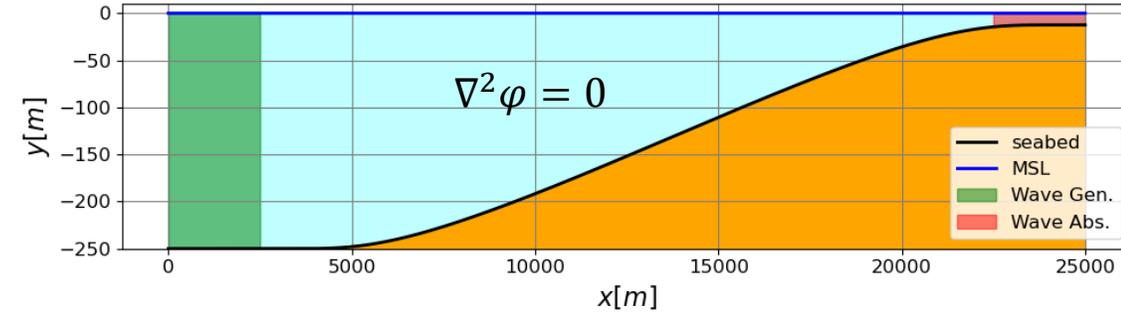
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Q3: How can we utilize this in a design context?

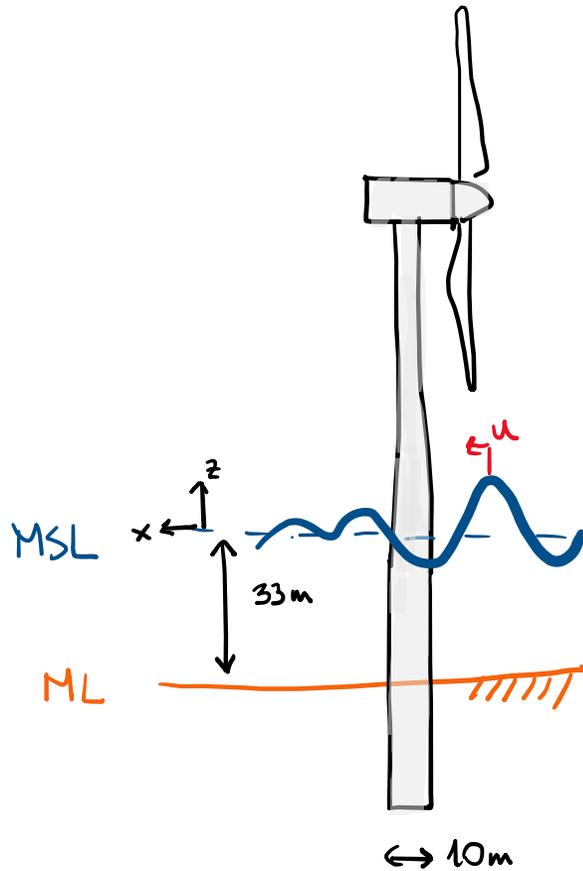
# The wave kinematics model: DeRisk Database



- Online database of nonlinear wave kinematics hosted on <https://data.dtu.dk/>
- Fully-nonlinear potential flow solver OceanWave3D (Engsig-Karup et al. 2009)
- Validated against DeRisk Experiments (Pierella et al. 2021, *Marine Structures*)



# The non-slamming wave load model: Rainey (1995)

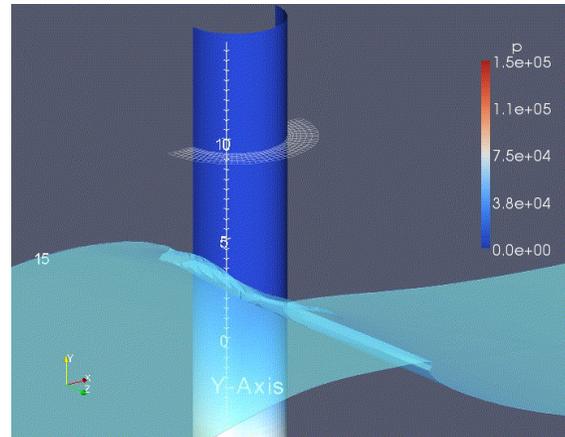
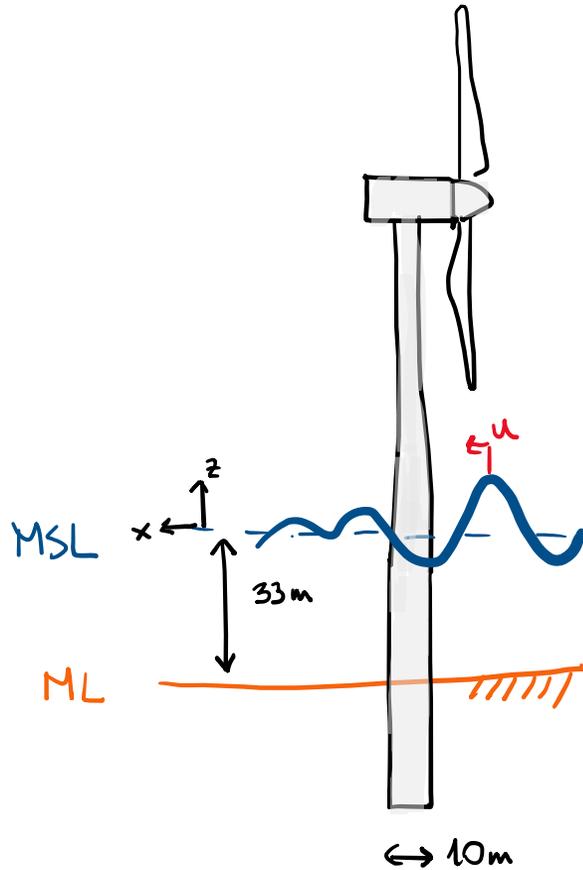


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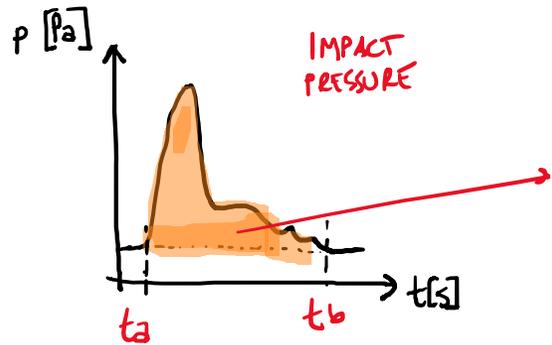
$$F = \int_{-h}^{\eta} f_x dz + \frac{1}{2} \rho \pi R^2 C_m \eta u^2$$

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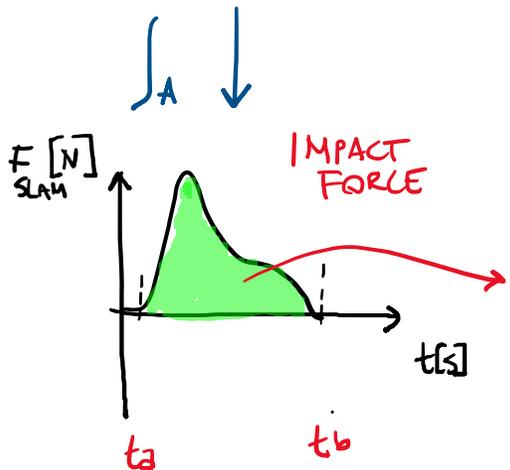
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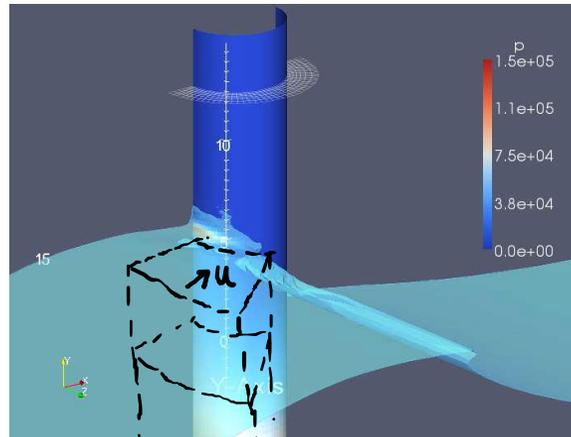
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IMPULSE

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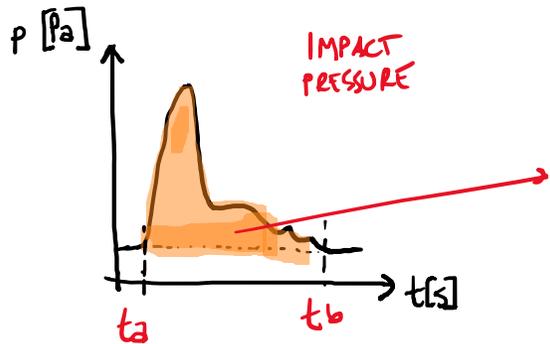
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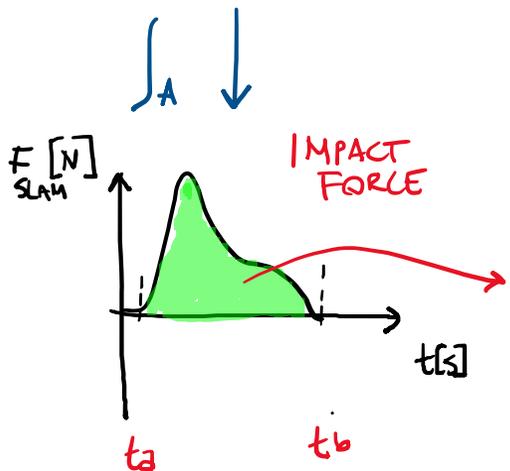
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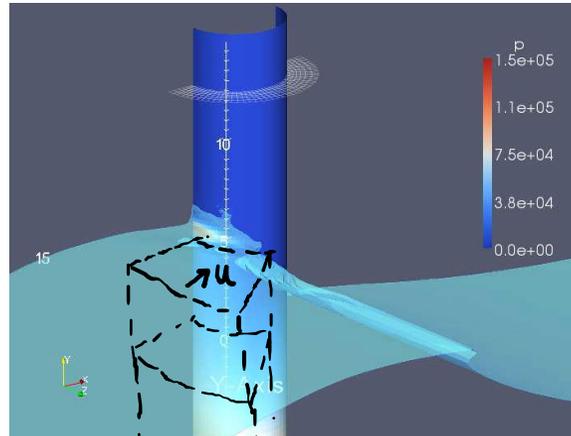
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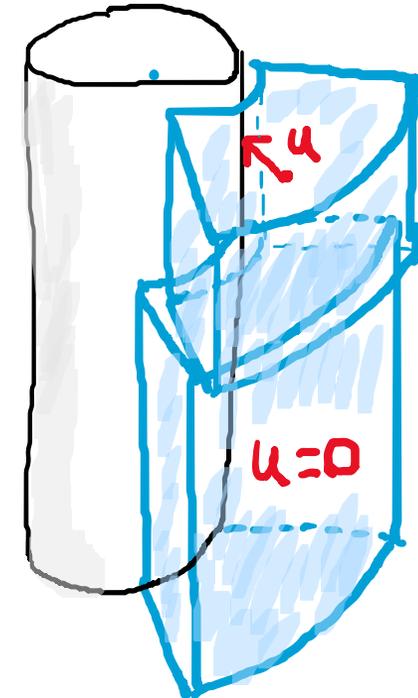
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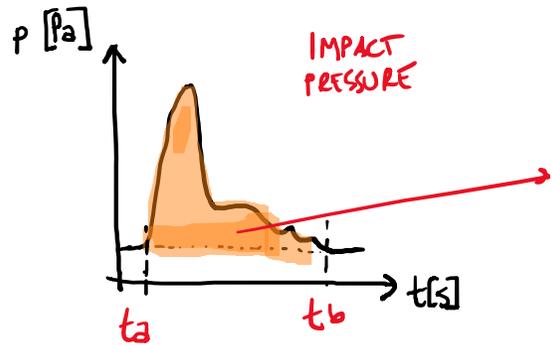
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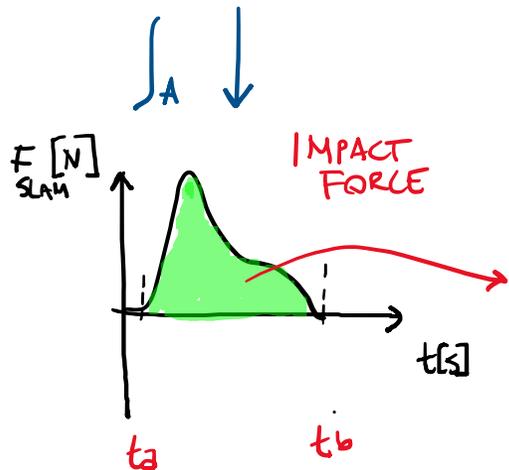
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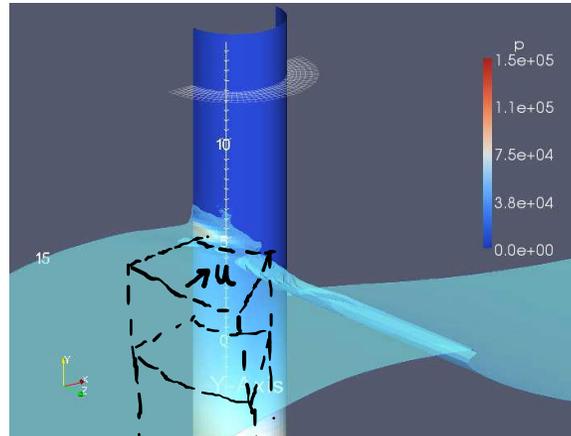
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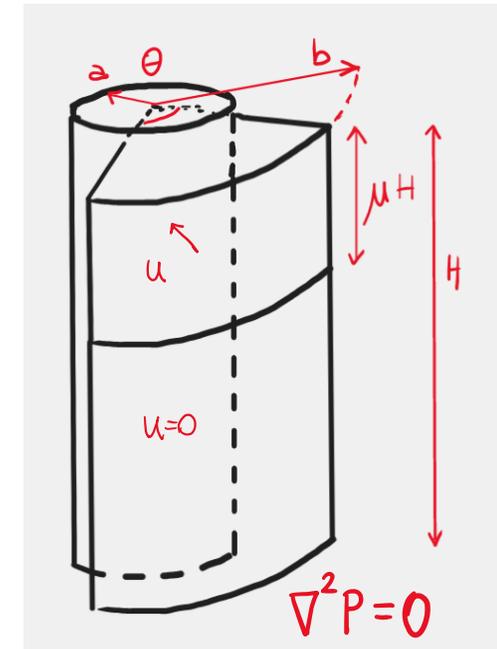


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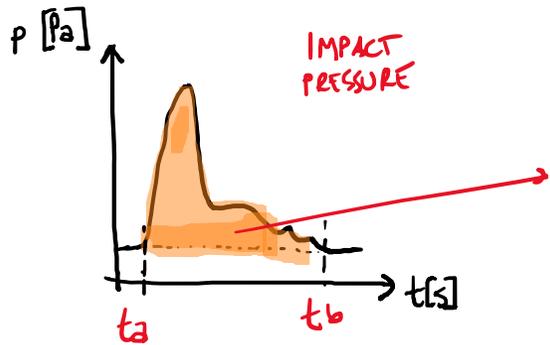
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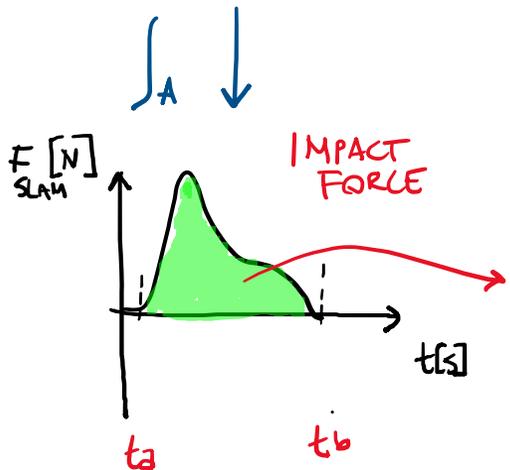
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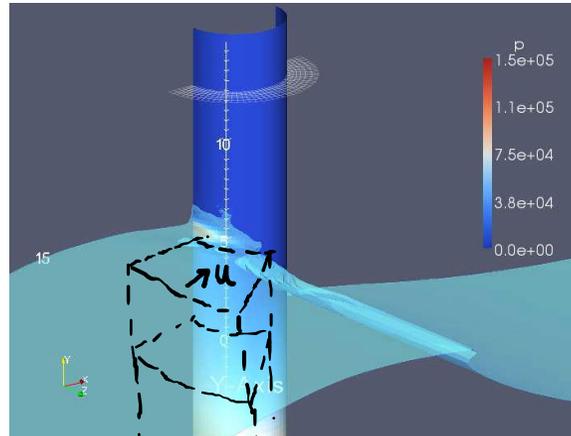
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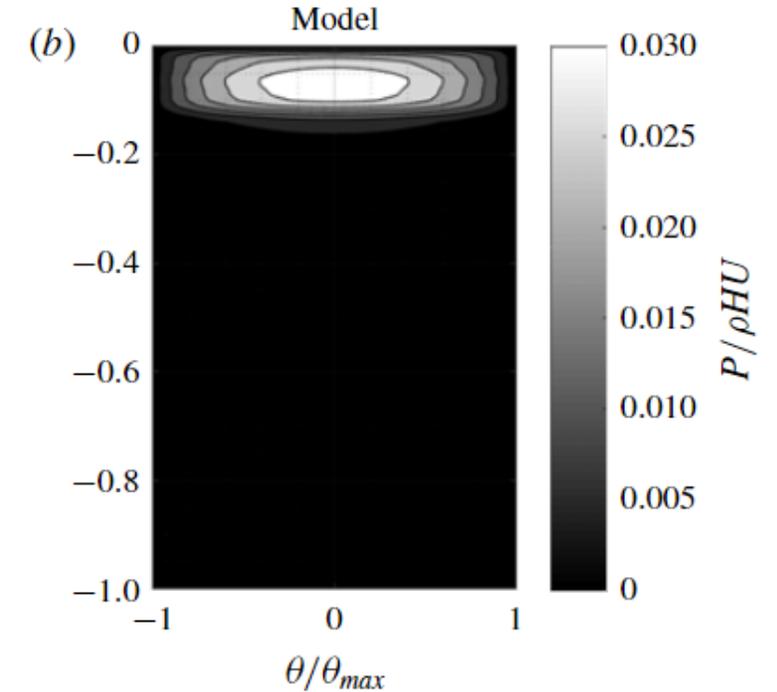
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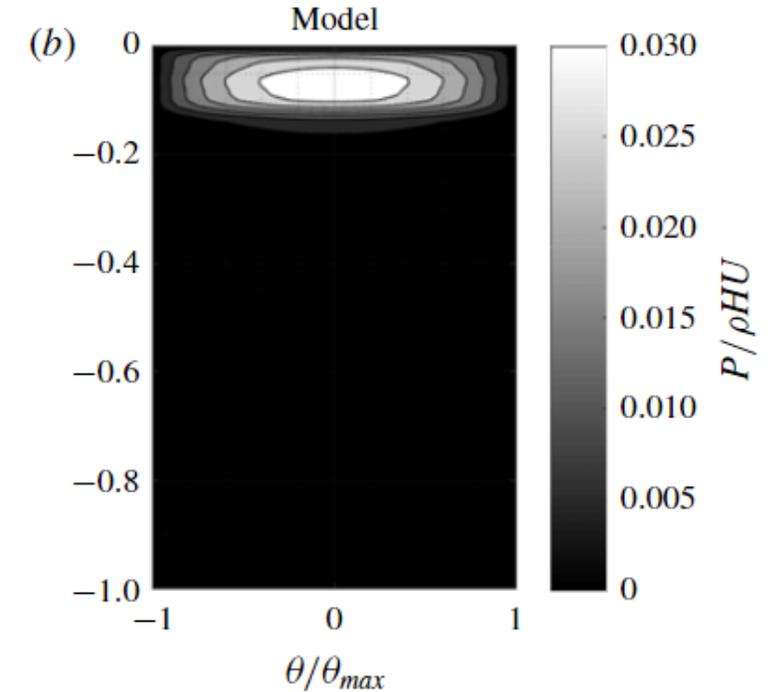
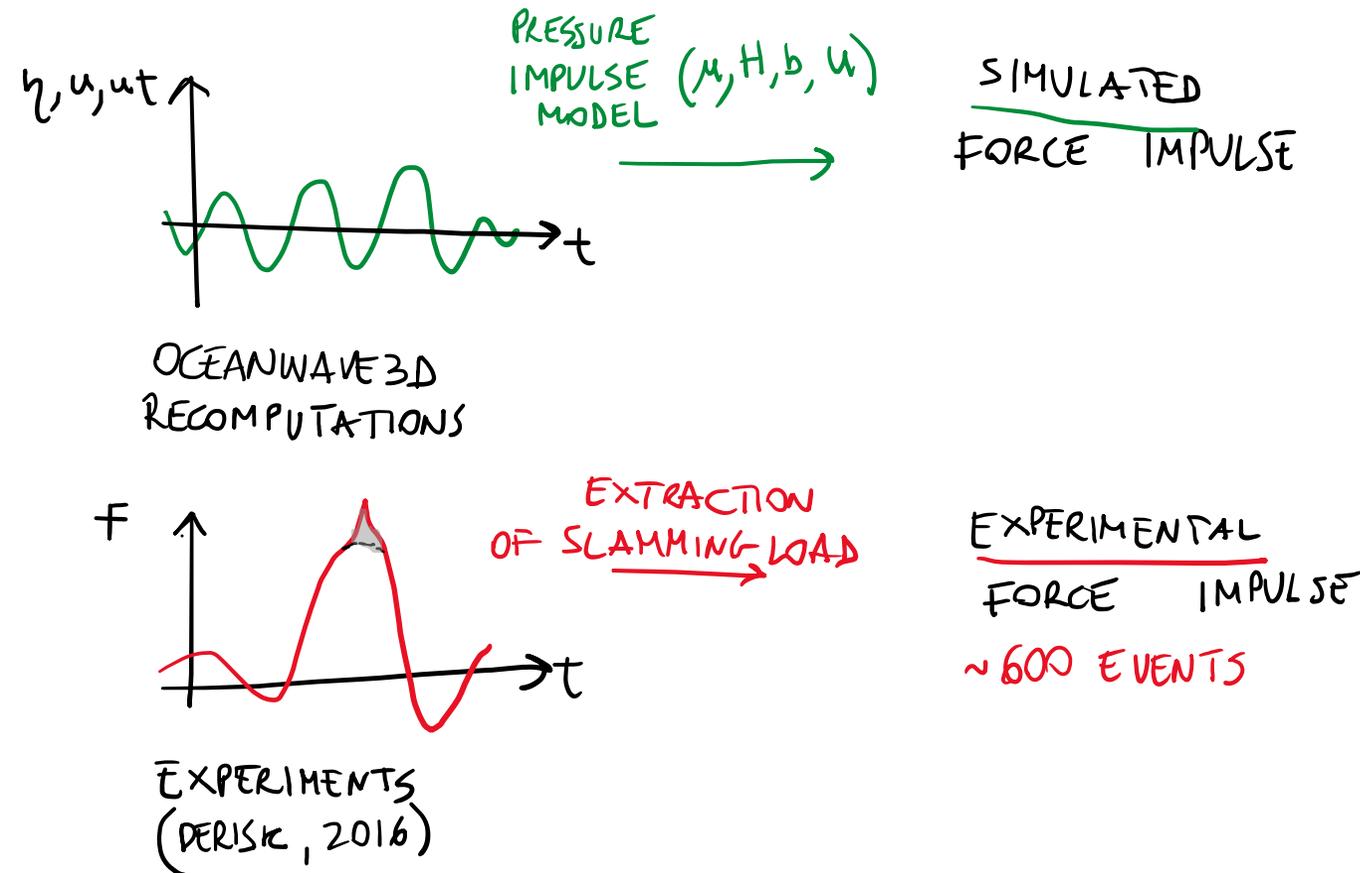
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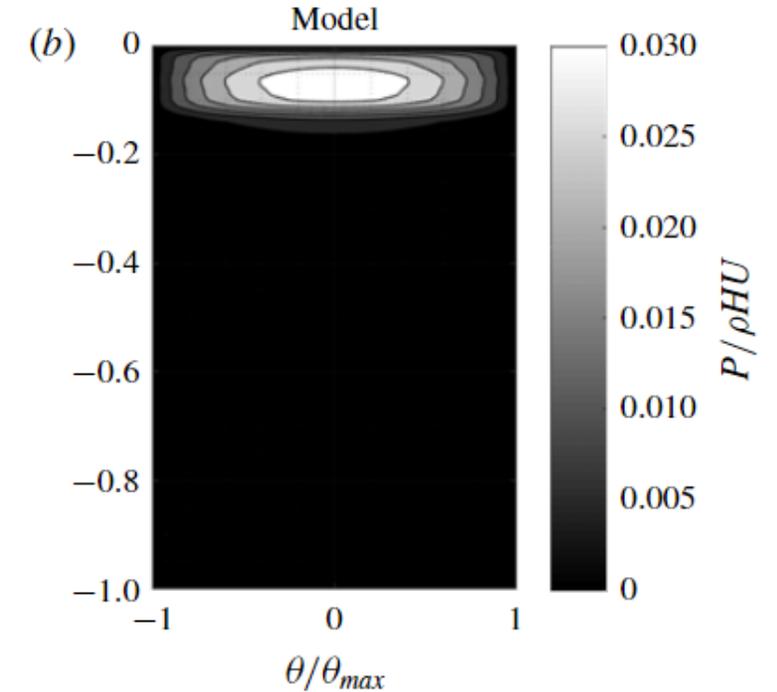
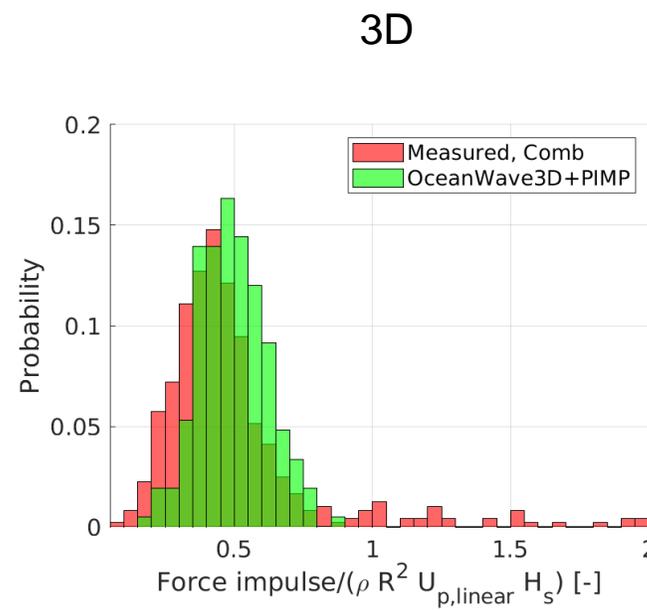
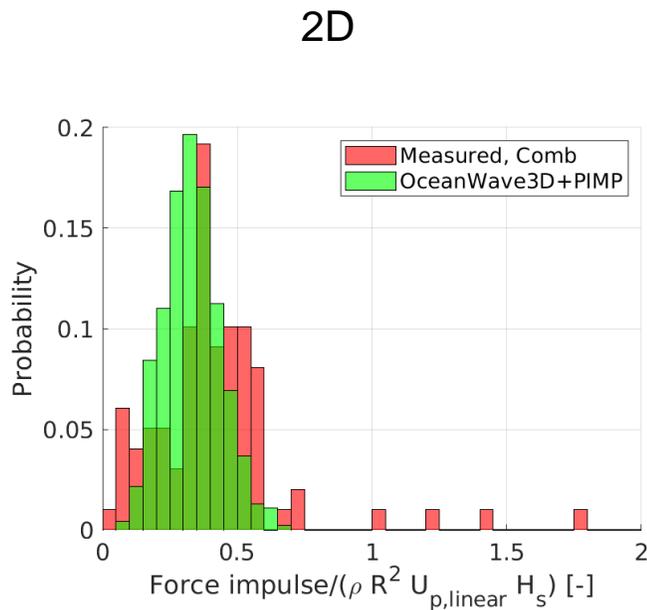
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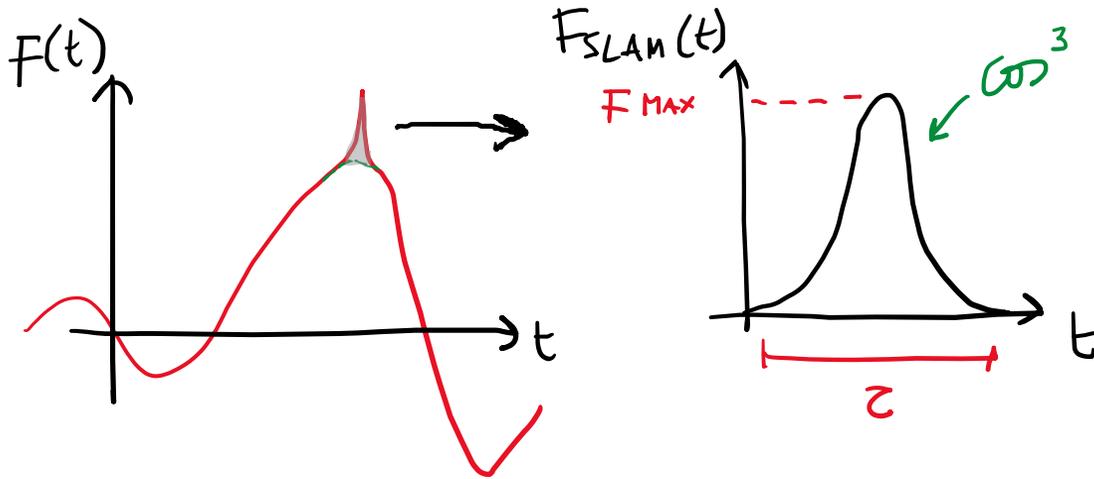
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$$F_I = \int_t F_{slam}(t) dt$$

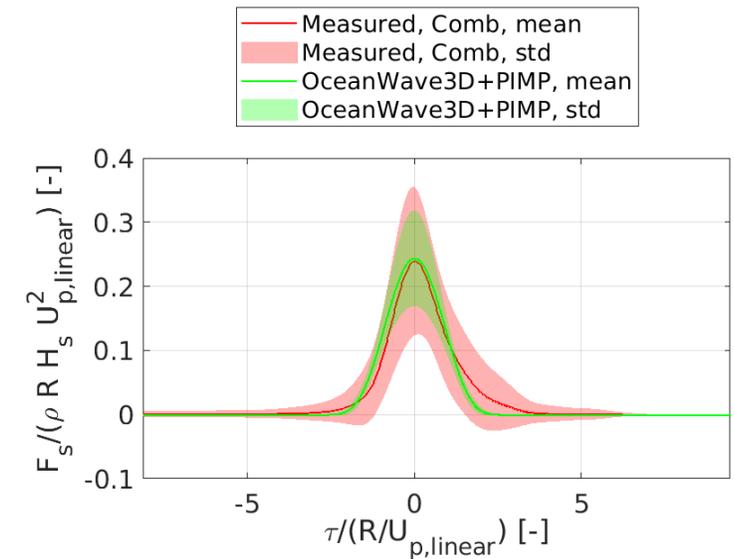


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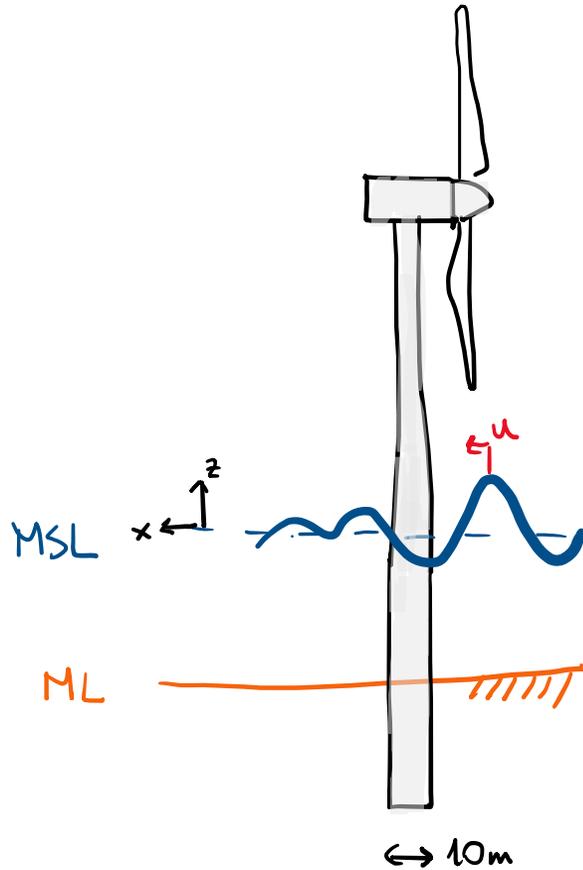


ASSUME

CALIBRATE ON  
EXPERIMENTS



# The combined wave load model: Rainey (1995) + P.Imp. (Ghadirian&Bredmose 2019)



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# Validation: The DeRisk Experiments

33 m depth

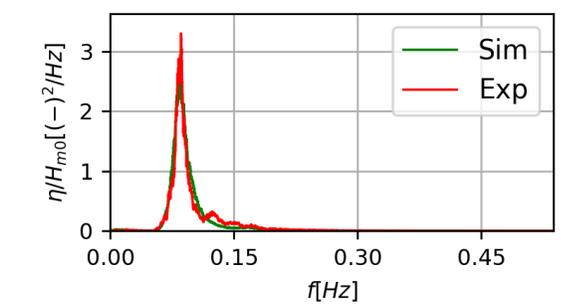
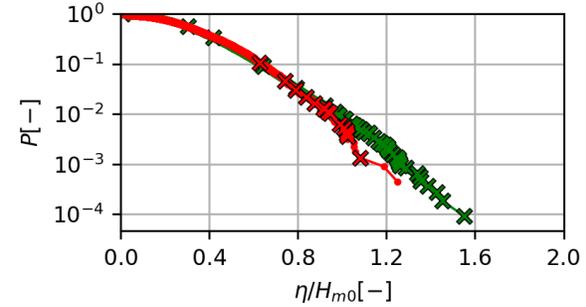
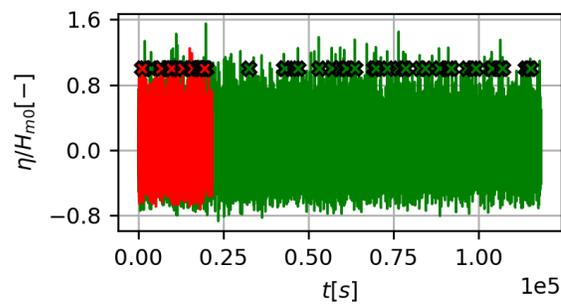
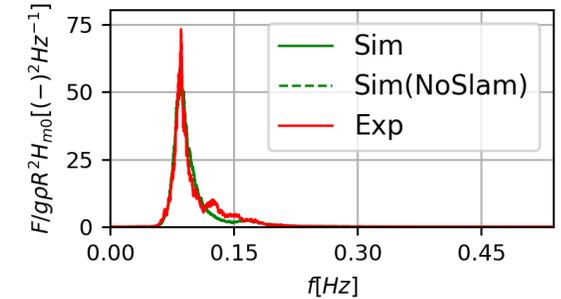
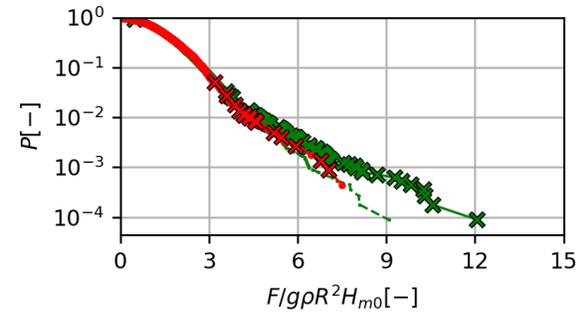
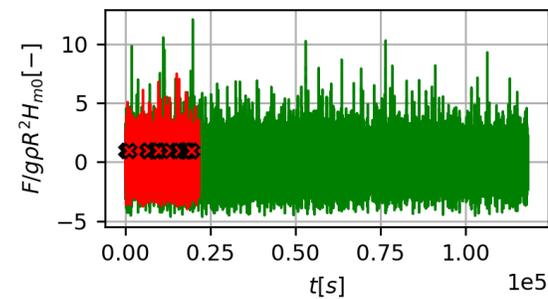
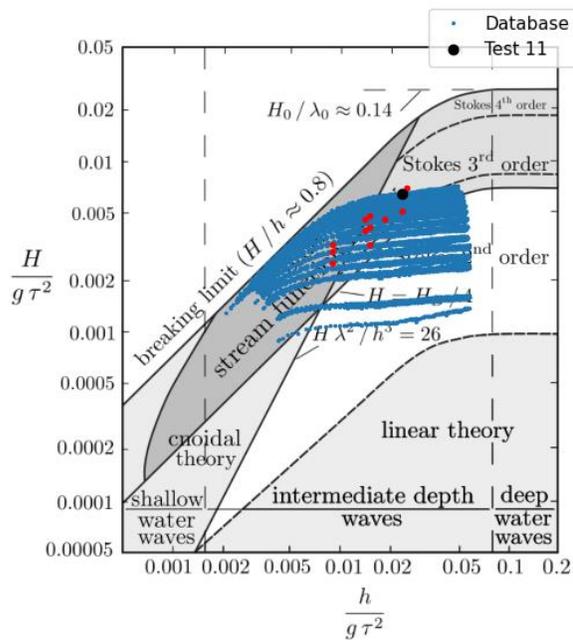
2D and 3D sea states 10, 100, 1000 year return period

Duration (3D) > 70 hours

20 m depth

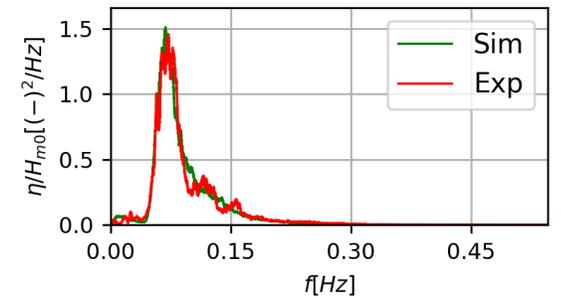
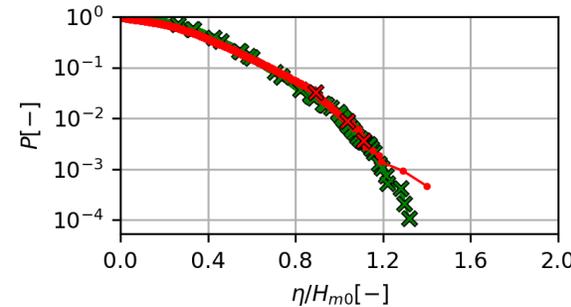
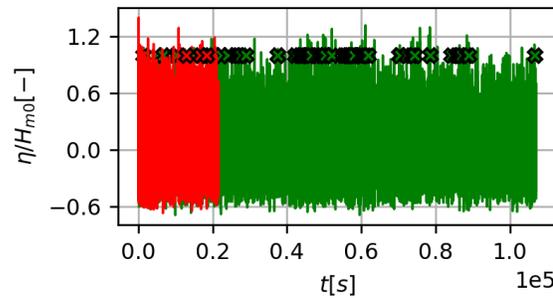
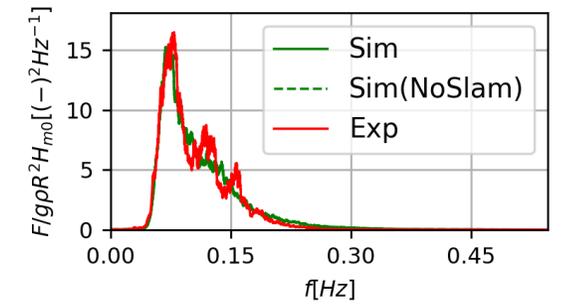
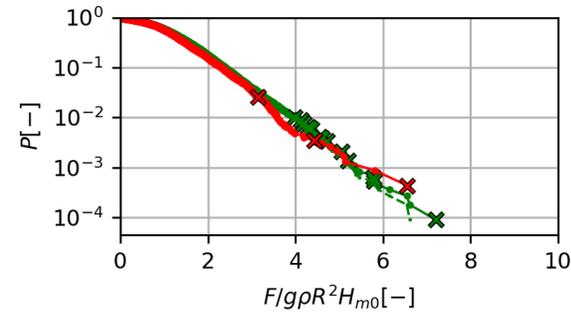
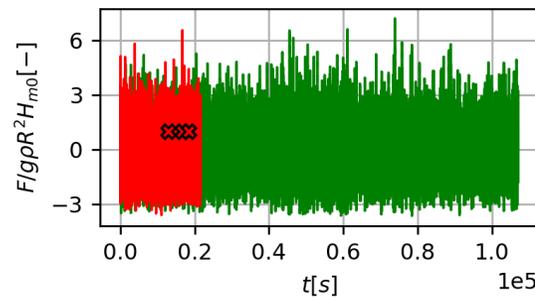
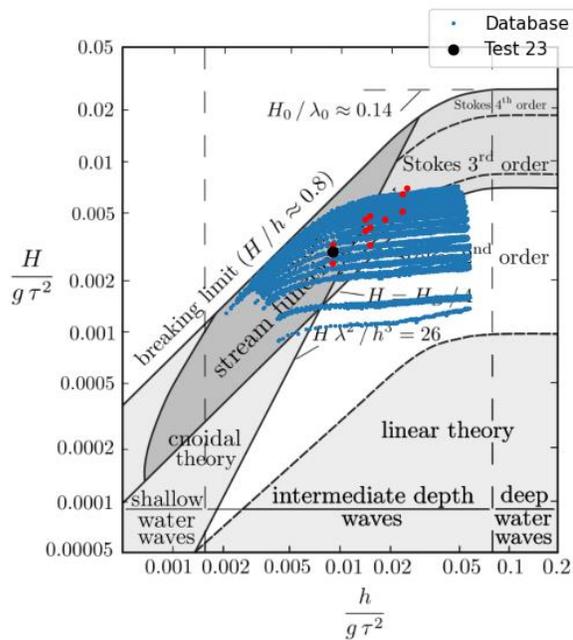
Test No.	Water depth [m]	$H_c$ [m]	$T_p$ [s]	Directional Spread, $\sigma_p$ [deg]	Approx. return period [year]	Duration [hrs]
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2	33	8.5	13.5	22	10	>70
3	33	8.5	13.5	33	10	>24
4	33	7.5	12	22	10	>70
5	33	7.5	15	22	10	>70
6	33	9.5	12	22	100	>70
7	33	9.5	15	22	100	>70
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17	20	6.8	15	22	100	>70
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# Test 11 ( $H_s=9.5\text{m}$ , $T_p=15.0\text{ s}$ , $h=33.0\text{m}$ )



CD=1.0, CM=1.80

# Test 23 ( $H_s=6.8\text{m}$ , $T_p=12.0\text{ s}$ , $h=20.0\text{m}$ )

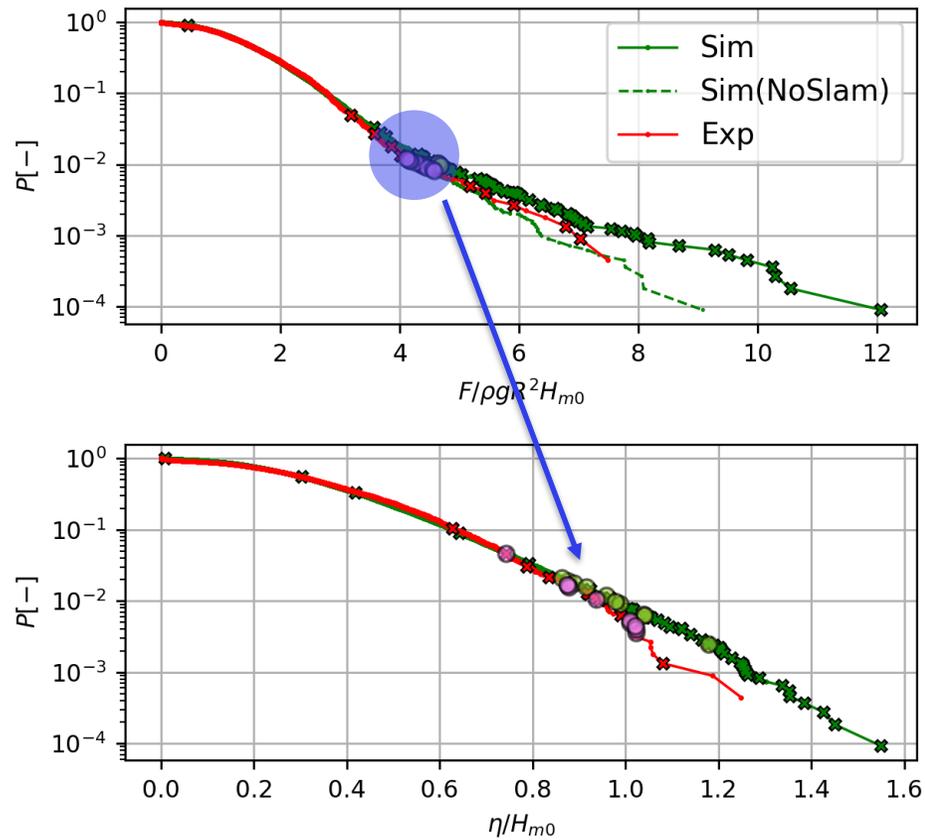


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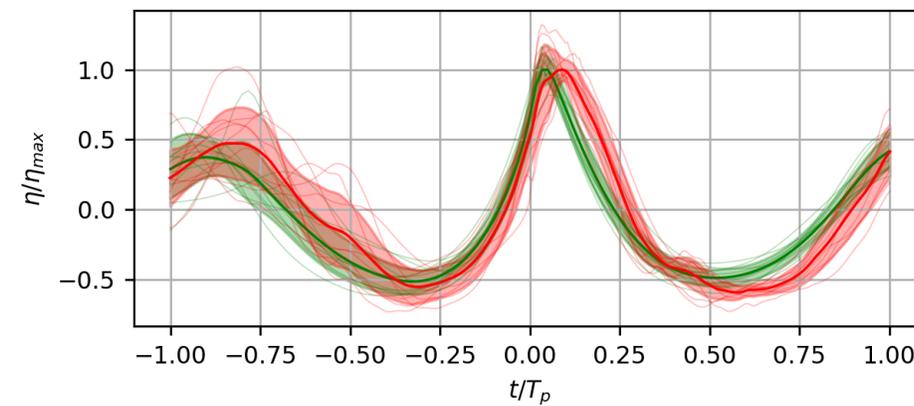
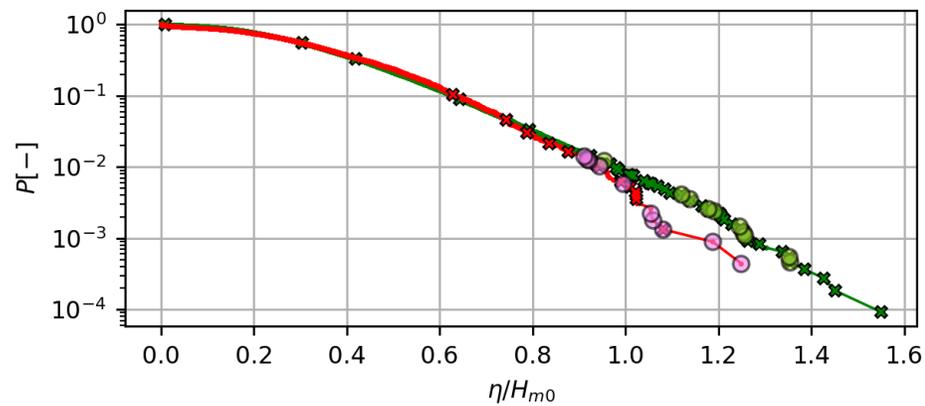
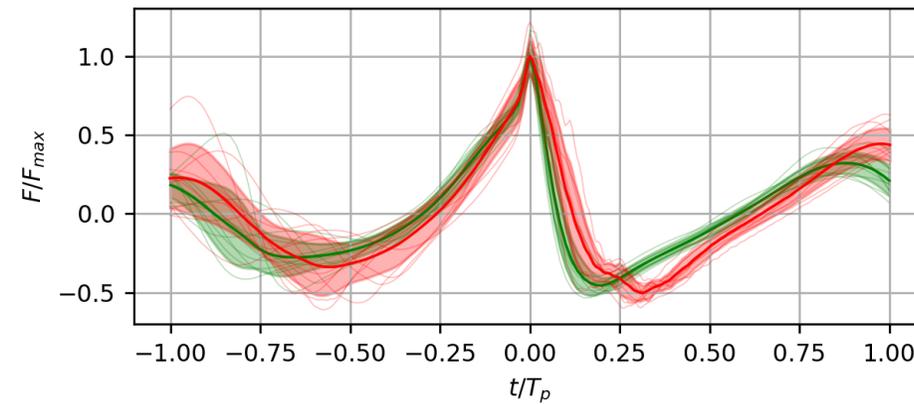
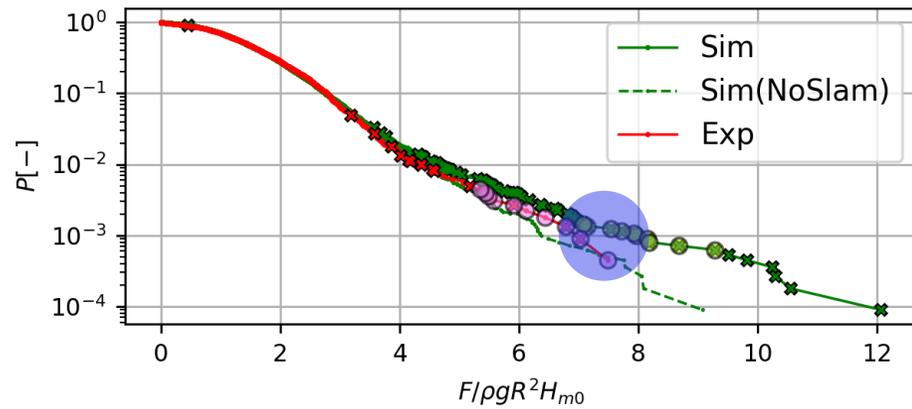
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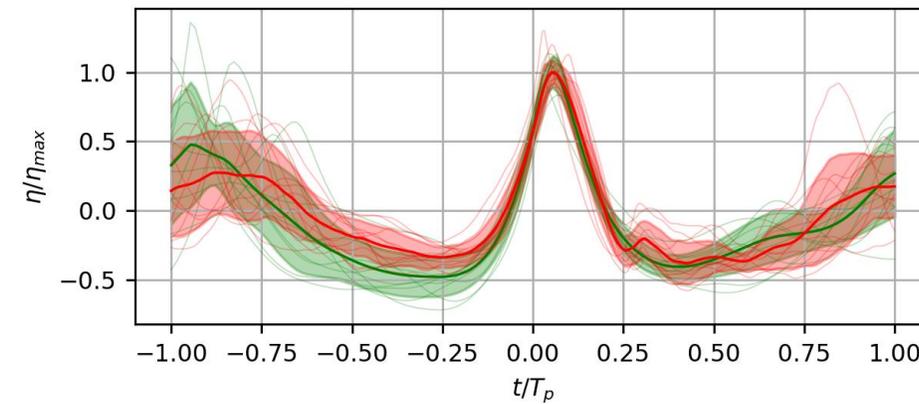
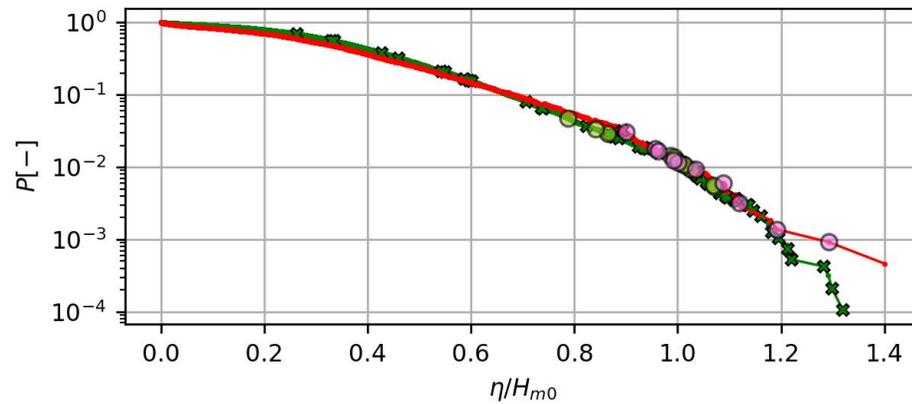
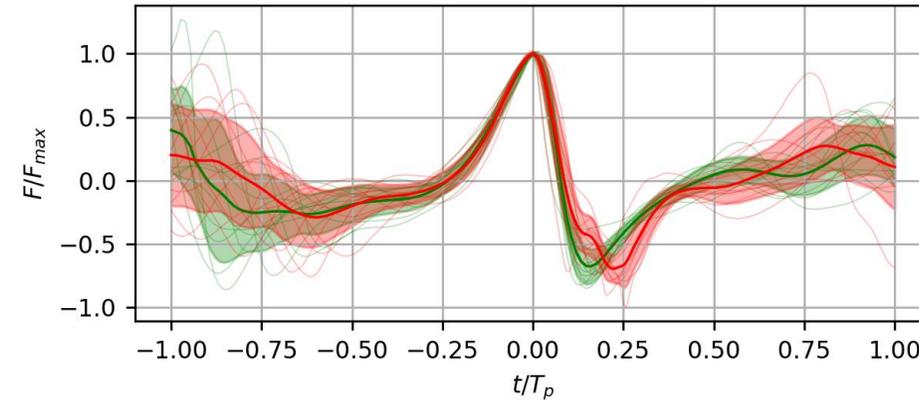
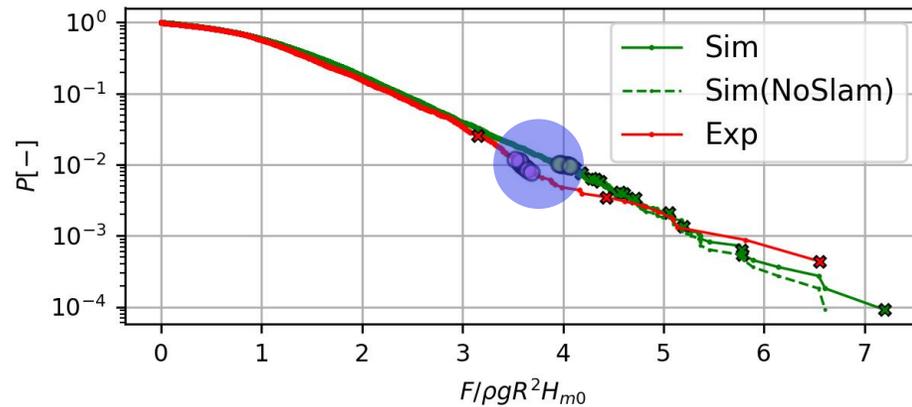
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 Test 11,  $P=0.001$ 


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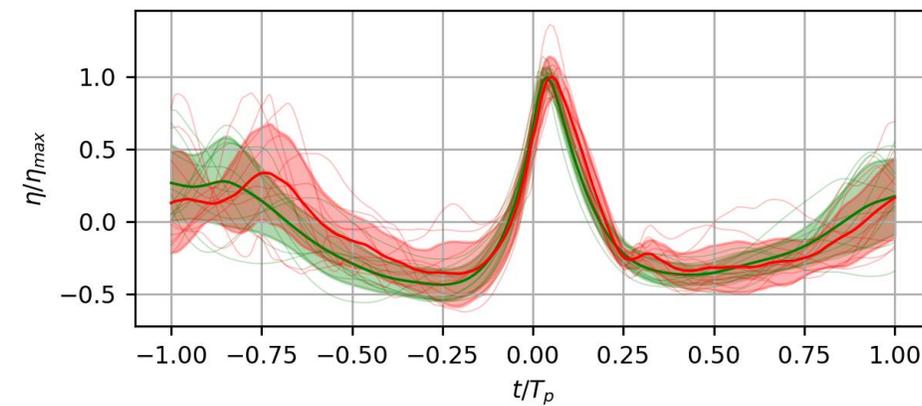
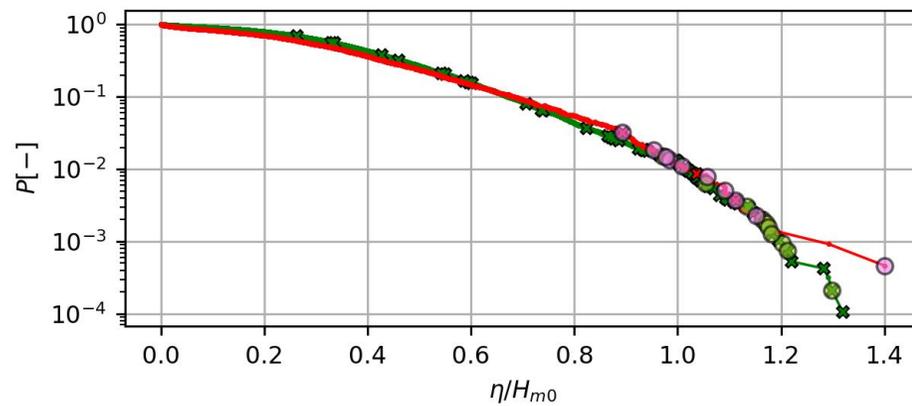
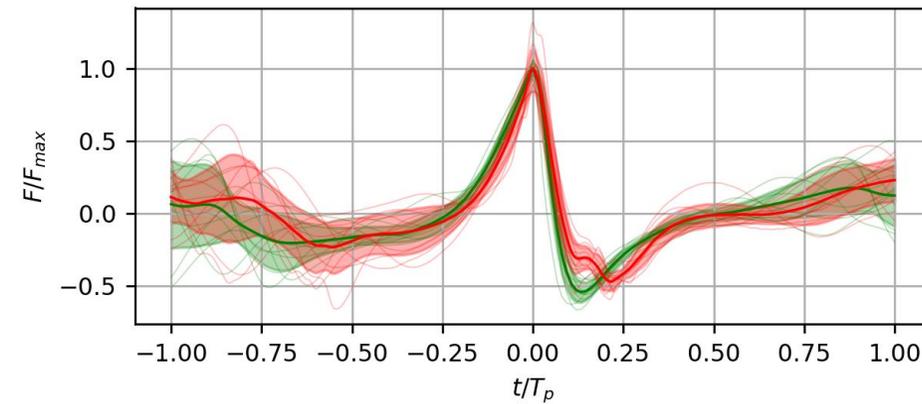
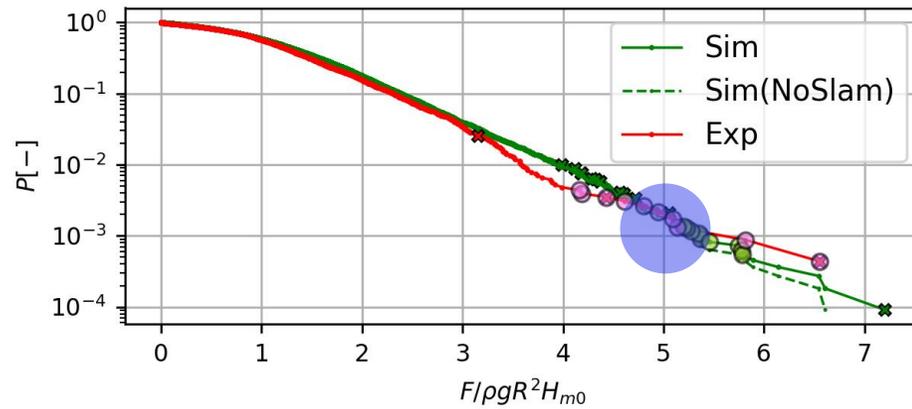
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Test 23, P=0.01



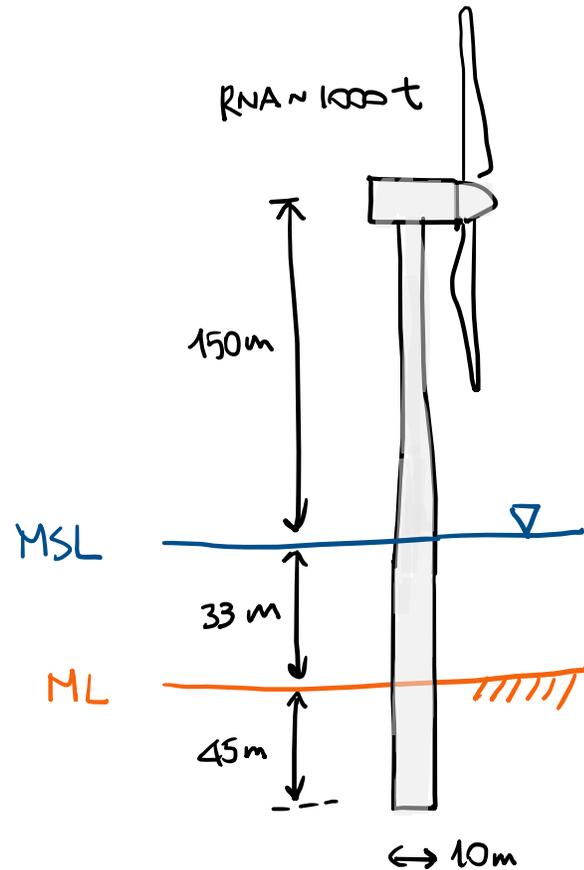
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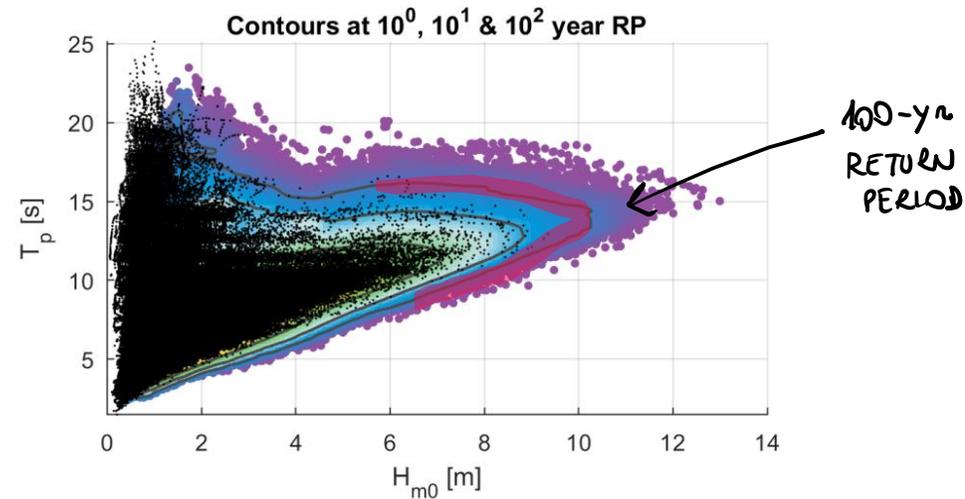
**Q3: How can we use this in a design context?**

# Shape of extreme loads and associated waves on the IEA 15MW wind turbine



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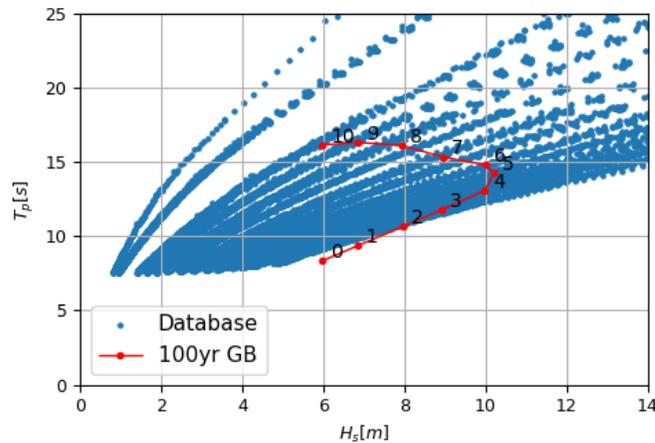
GERMAN BIGHT (33 [m])



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Hindcast data (black) + statistical extrapolation (colored)

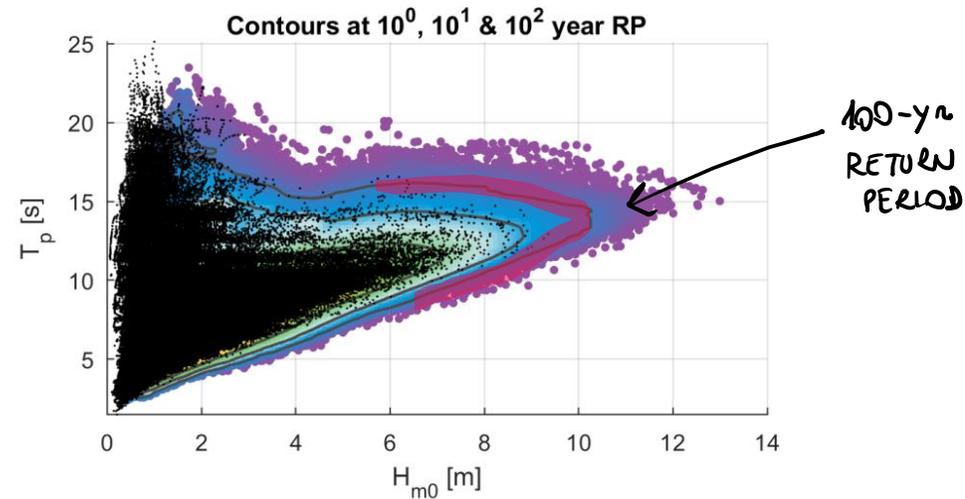
# Shape of extreme loads and associated waves on the IEA 15MW wind turbine



Chosen 10 sea states  
Applied force model

$$C_D = 0.6, C_M = 2.0$$

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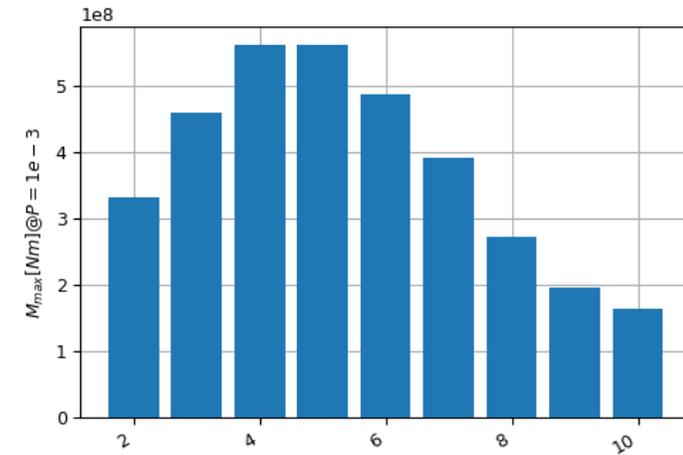
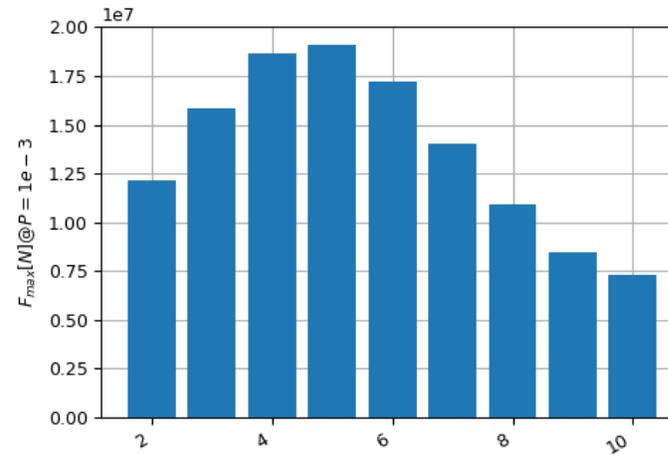
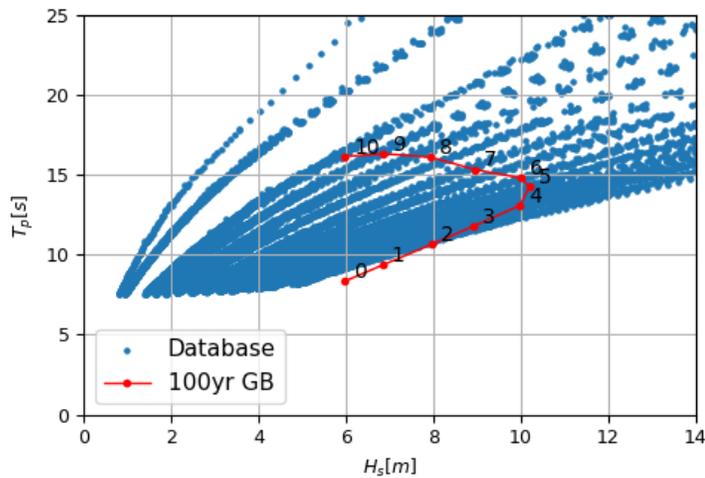


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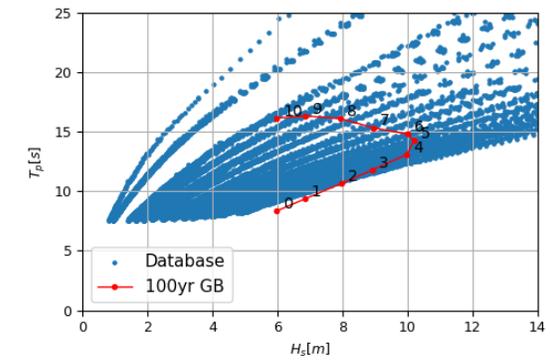
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# We obtain time series of loads

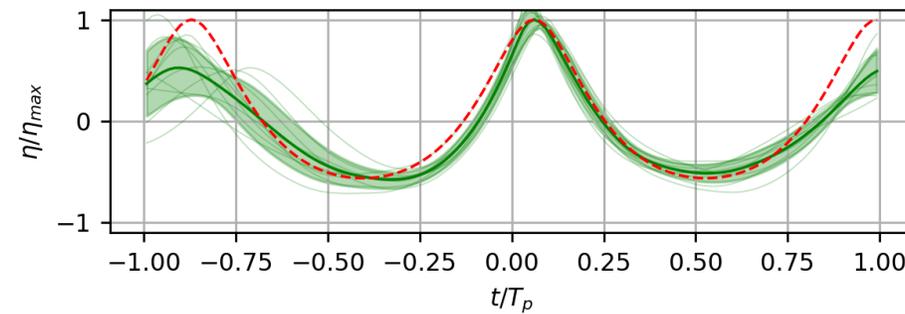
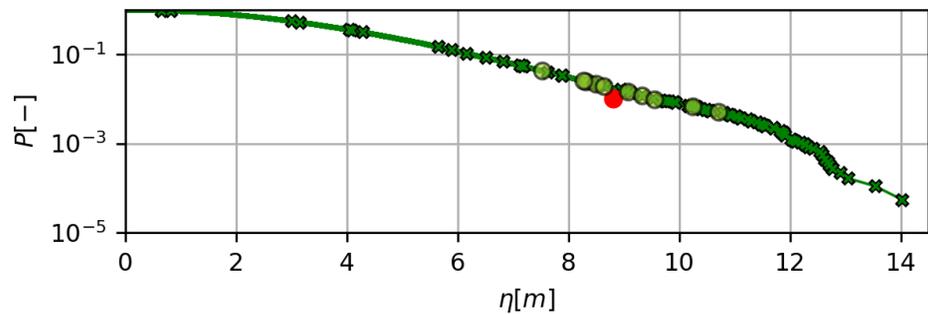
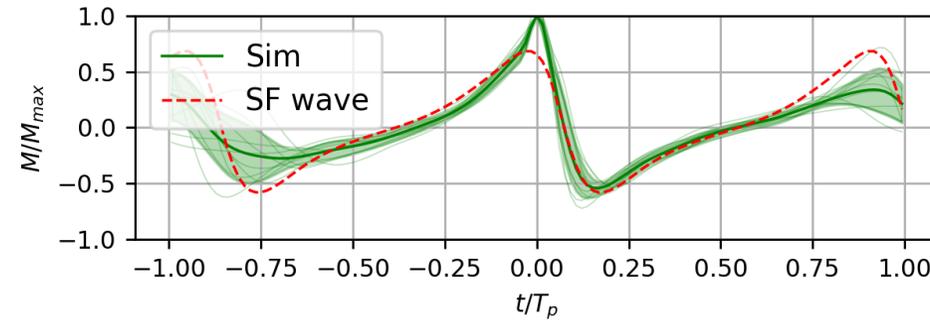
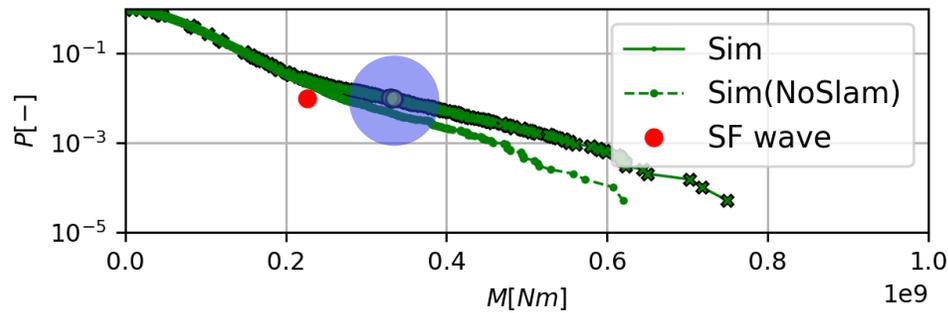
- Where is the force / moment largest?
  - Histogram of max loads  $P=1e-3$



# Sea State 4 ( $H_s=9.97\text{m}, T_p=13.1\text{s}$ )



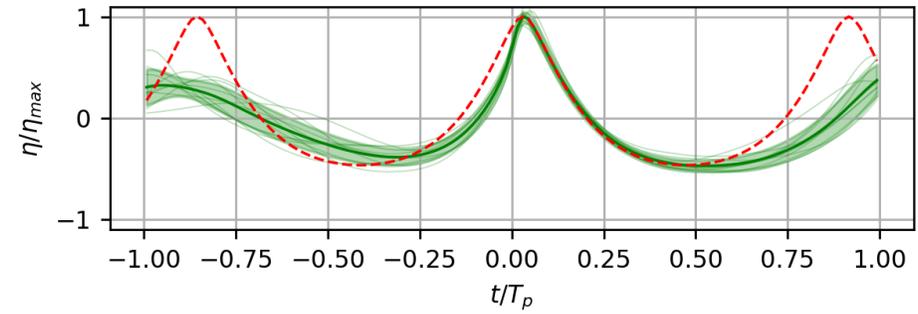
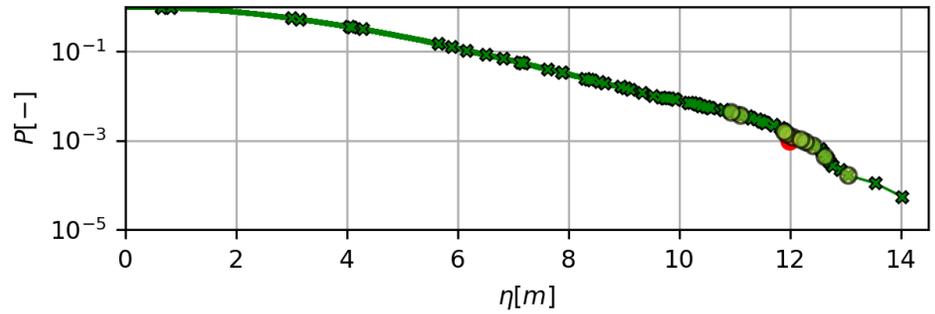
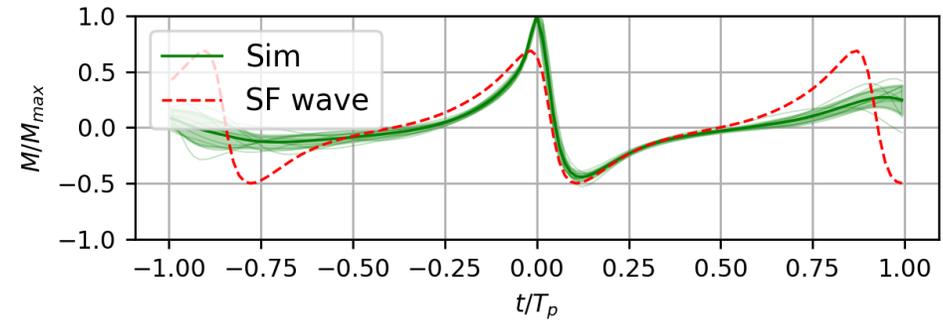
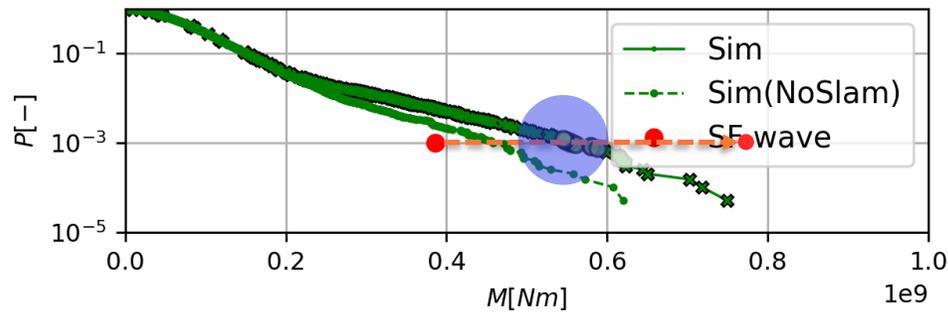
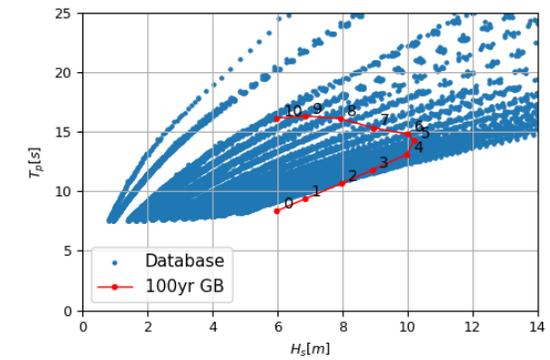
Test 4,  $P=0.01$



# Sea State 4 ( $H_s=9.97\text{m}, T_p=13.1\text{s}$ )

DeRidder et al. (2017)  
 $M_{slam} = 4.0e8 \text{ MNm}$

Test 4,  $P=0.001$



# Conclusions

1. *How well can we reproduce measured loads that include slamming?*
  - a. Overall agreement of simulated and experimental exceedance probability  $\eta$  and  $F$
  - b. Wave shapes well captured, more challenging in tail of distribution
  
2. *How do the extreme load waves look, when you also include slamming loads?*
  - a. Average force shape shows typical "hat" due to slamming
  - b. Increased front steepness for extreme load waves with lower exceedance probabilities
  
3. *How can we utilize this in a design context?*
  - a. Tested method on a rigid monopile ( $D = 10m$ )
  - b. Along a contour: largest  $H_s \Rightarrow$  largest load
  - c. For lower exc.prob. the average wave shape deviates more from SF wave