



Using FAST for the design of a TLP substructure made out of steel reinforced concrete composite components

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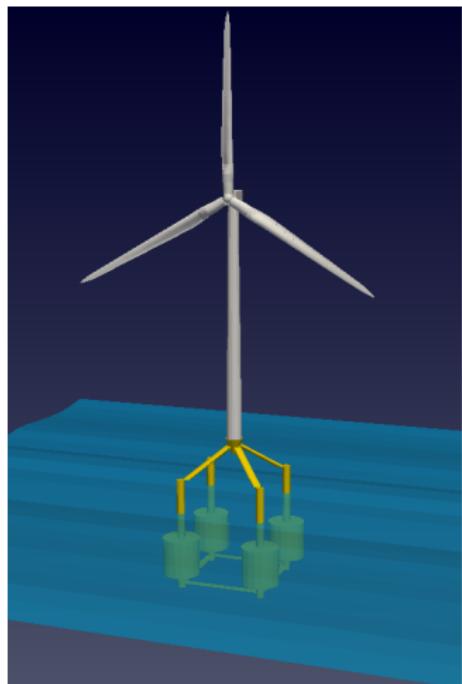
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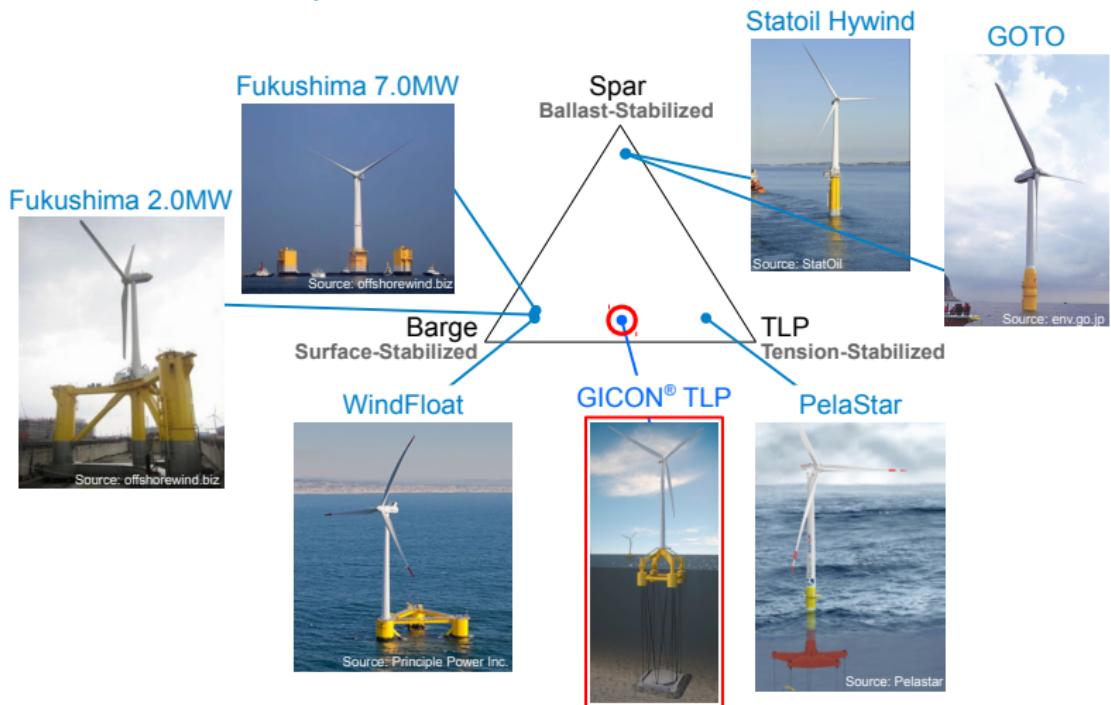


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General Concept of the GICON® TLP



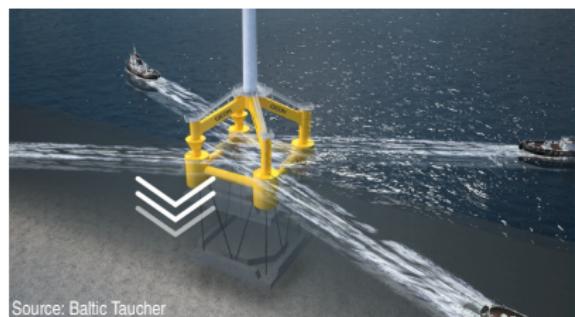


Key Features of the GICON® TLP

- Water depths: 30 m - 500 m
- One step installation
- High modularity
- Reinforced concrete components with Ultra High Performance Concrete (UHPC)



Source: Baltic Taucher



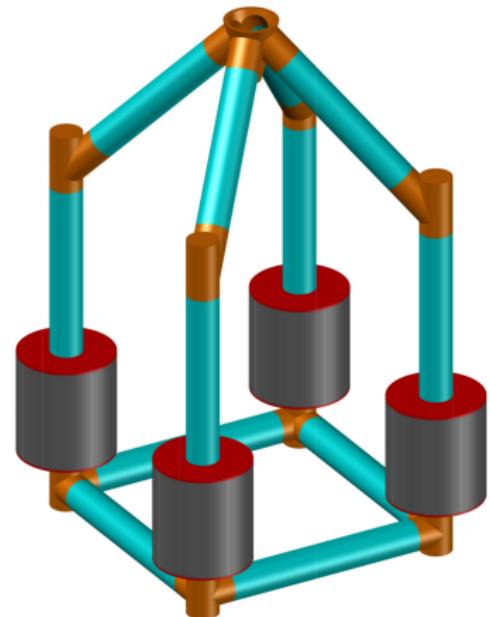
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⇒ reduced fabrication time + reduced CO₂ emissions + reduced costs



Components of the GICON® TLP

- Prestressed concrete columns (UHPC)
- Reinforced concrete shell segments
- Steel cover and bottom plate
- Steel TP and nodes



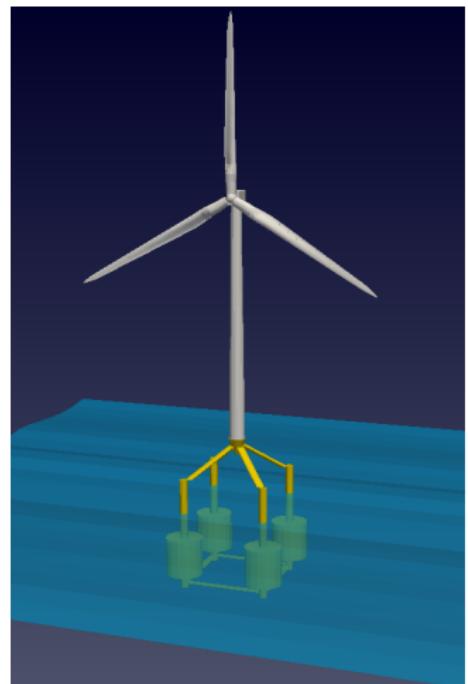


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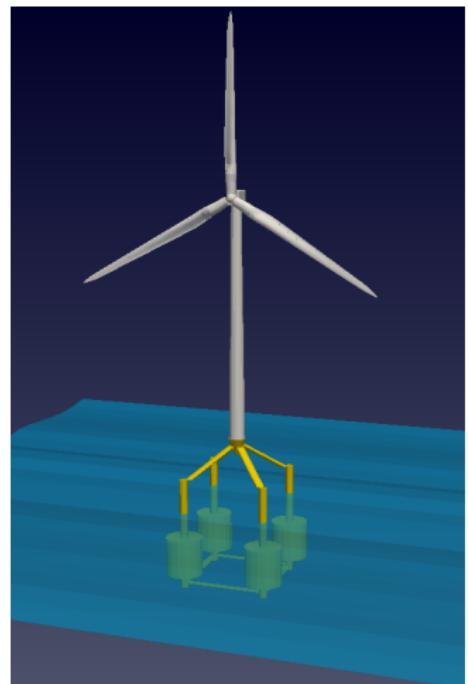
Summary of Wind Turbine Properties

- Based on the 6 MW turbine of the DOWEC project

Rotor	Upwind, 3 Blades
Rotor Diameter	129 m
Hub Height, Overhang	114 m (above MSL), 5 m
Cone, Shaft Tilt	4.5°, 5°
Drivetrain	Gearbox
Control	Variable Speed, Collective Pitch
Rated Wind Speed	12.1 m/s
RNA Mass	416 658 kg
Tower Mass	345 080 kg



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General Settings of the Simulation

- Aerodynamics ⇒ AeroDyn v15
- Structural Dynamics ⇒ ElastoDyn
- Control Dynamics ⇒ ServoDyn (DLL)
- Hydrodynamic Loads ⇒ HydroDyn (only strip-theory solution)
- Mooring System ⇒ MoorDyn

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- 2 Load Cases $\begin{cases} \text{LC 1: Power Production at Rated Conditions } (\approx \text{DLC 1.1}) \\ \text{LC 2: Parked Turbine at 50-Years-Storm } (\approx \text{DLC 6.1a}) \end{cases}$

Definition of LC 1 - Power Production at Rated Cond.

- Structural Model

- No rotor mass imbalance, no aerodynamic imbalance (pitch error), no yaw error
- All DOFs enabled

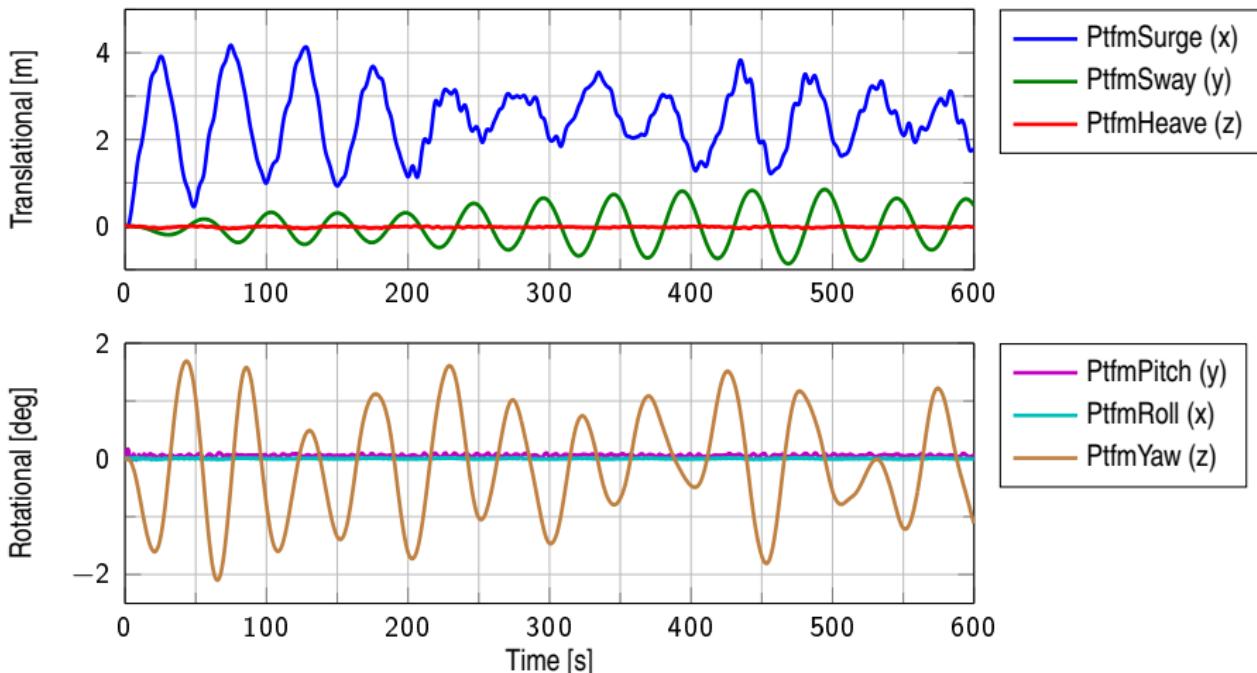
- Wind

- Turbulent wind with $u_{ref} = 12.1 \text{ m/s}$ (rated)
- NTM with turbulence category „A“ (IEC 61400-1, ed3)
- Wind direction: 0°

- Waves

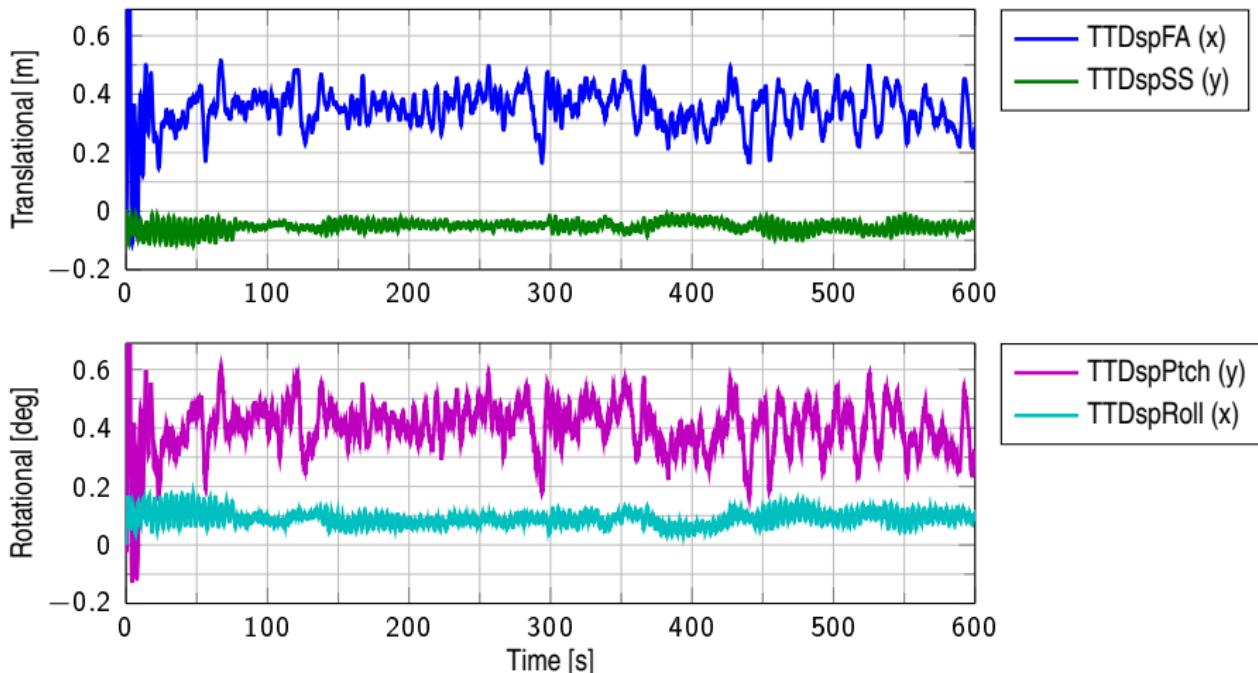
- Water Depth: 200 m
- Irregular Waves based on JONSWAP-Spectrum
($H_s = 1.92 \text{ m}$, $T_p = 7.29 \text{ s} \rightarrow L_0 \approx 83 \text{ m}$, $\gamma = 3.3$)
- Wave direction: 0°
- Without Current, 2nd order waves and marine growth

LC 1: Platform Motion



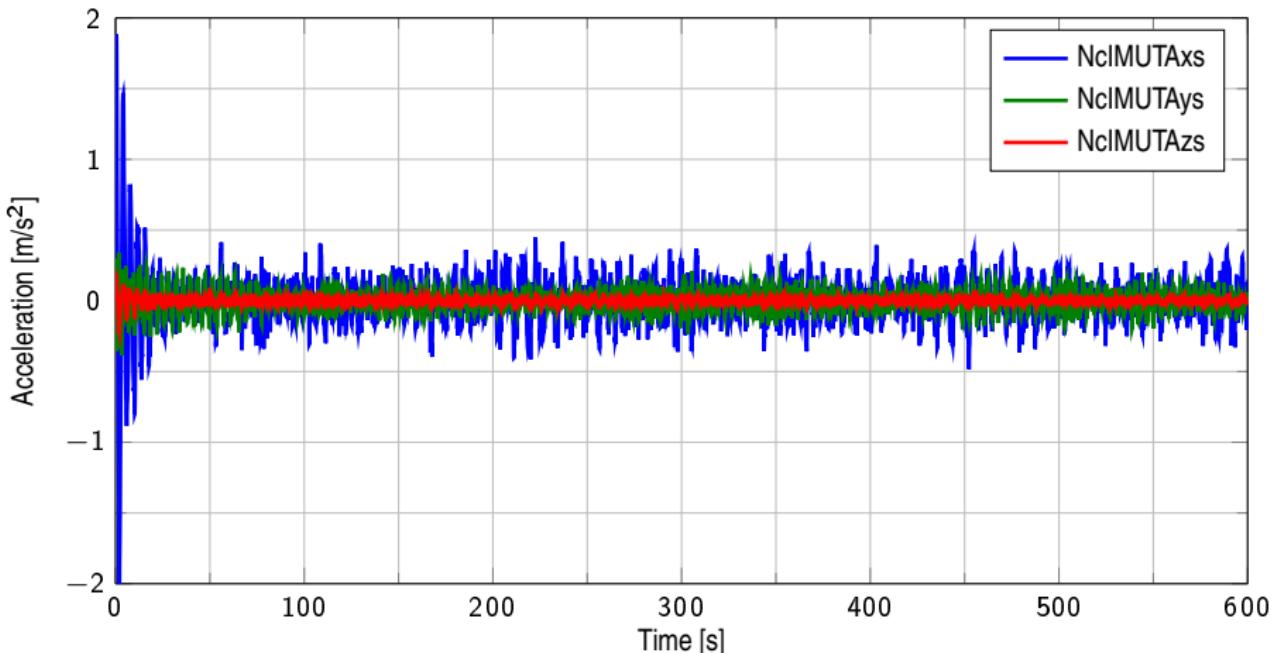


LC 1: Tower-Top Motion



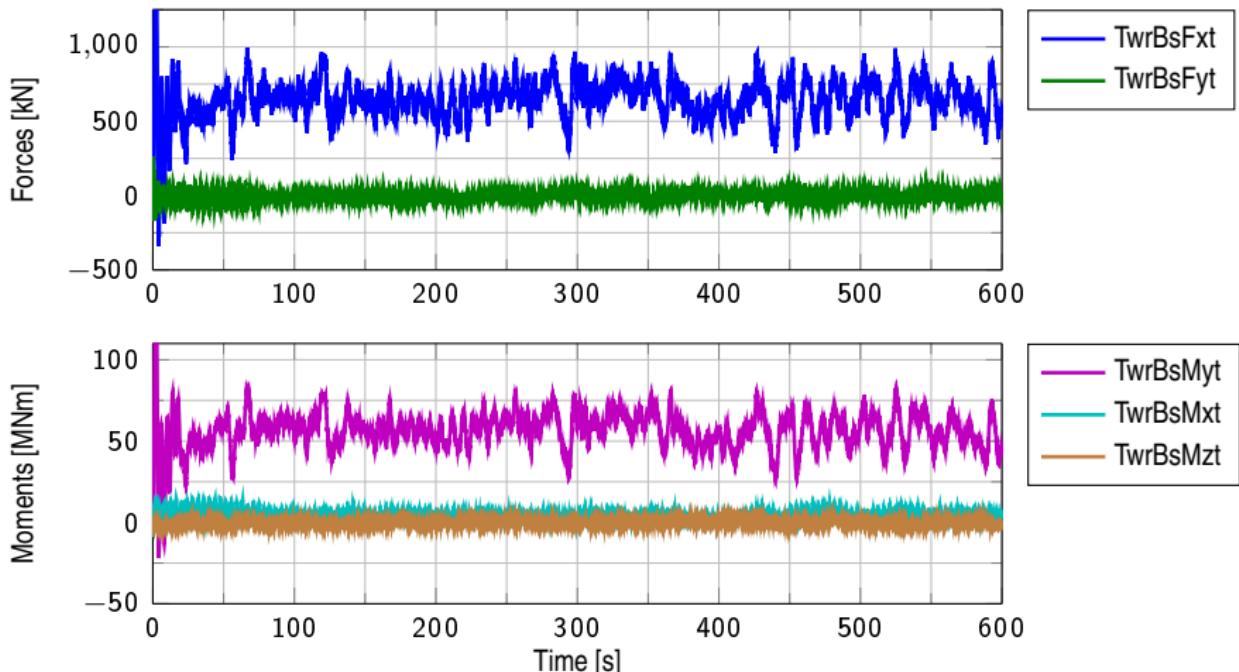


LC 1: Tower-Top Acceleration





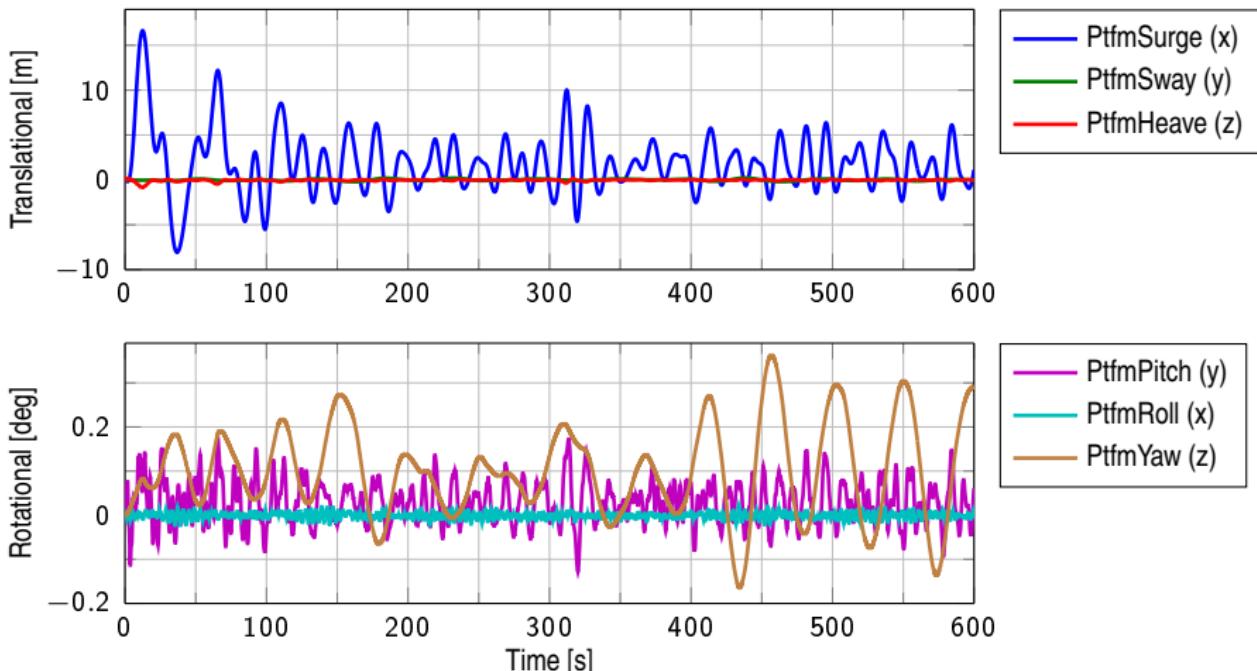
LC 1: Tower-Base Loads



Definition of LC 2 - Parked Turbine at 50-Years-Storm

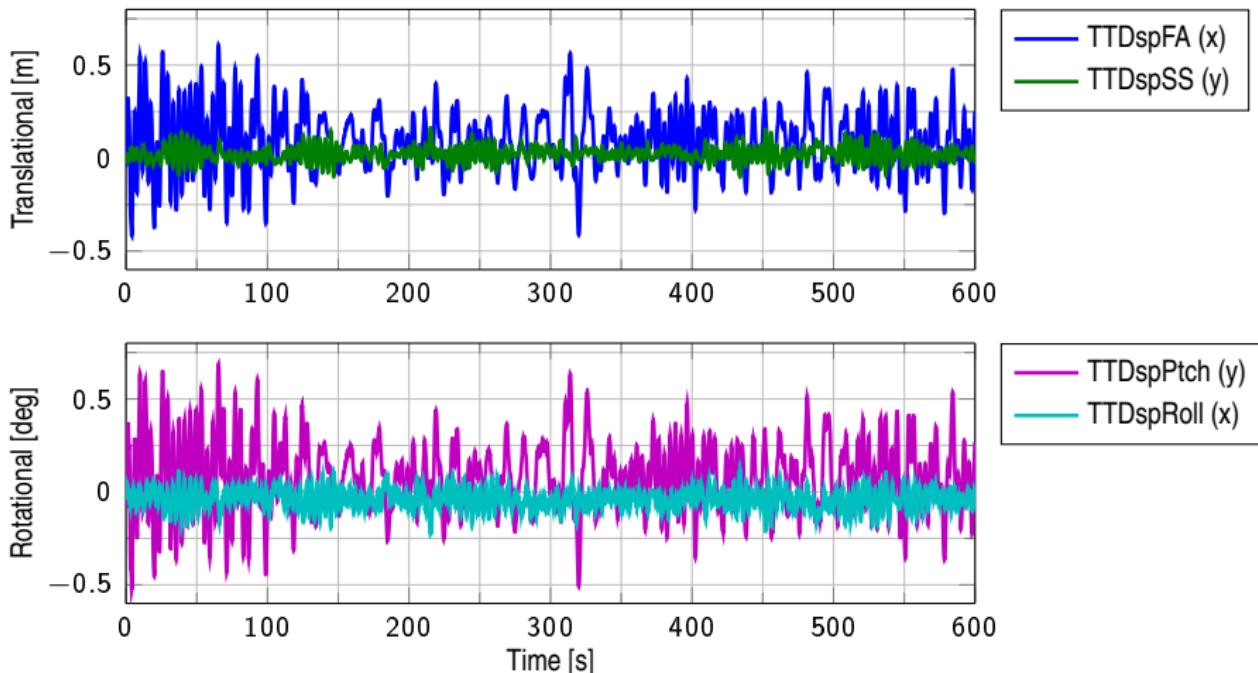
- Structural Model
 - No rotor mass imbalance, no aerodynamic imbalance (pitch error), no yaw error
 - All DOFs, **except of Generator DOF**, enabled; **Pitch angle fixed at 90°**
- Wind
 - Turbulent wind
 - **EWM for wind turbine class „IIA“ (IEC 61400-1, ed3)**
 - Wind direction: 0°
- Waves
 - Water Depth: 200 m
 - Irregular Waves based on JONSWAP-Spectrum (**50-year-storm**)
 $(H_s = 9.72 \text{ m}, T_p = 17.72 \text{ s} \rightarrow L_0 \approx 490 \text{ m}, \gamma = 3.3)$
 - Wave direction: 0°
 - Without Current, 2nd order waves and marine growth

LC 2: Platform Motion



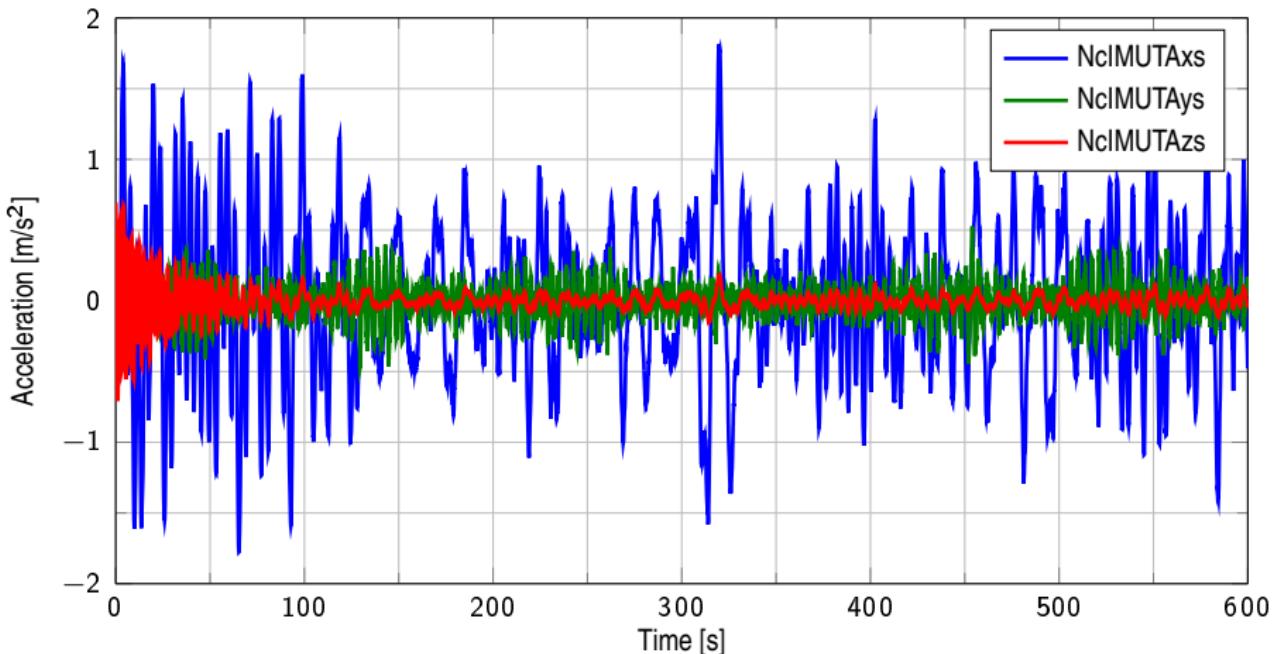


LC 2: Tower-Top Motion

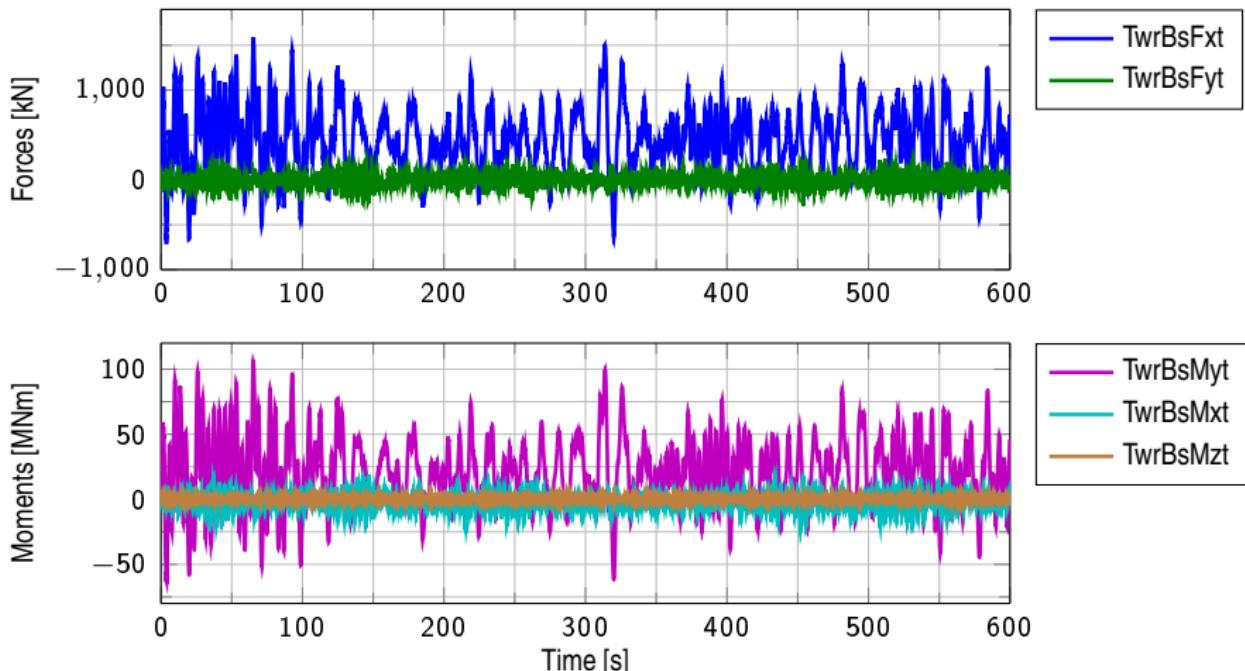




LC 2: Tower-Top Acceleration

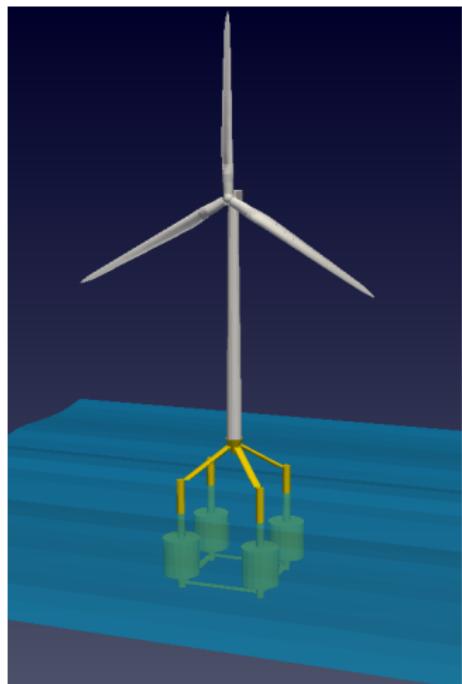


LC 2: Tower-Base Loads





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Outlook

- Improving the used Model (e.g. including potential flow solution)
- Investigate more load cases (e.g. with imbalances, wind-wave-misalignment, special events, ...)
- Detailed design of the substructures components with the dynamic loads from the coupled simulations
- Calibration of simulation results with tank tests planned this summer



Thank you very much for your attention!

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