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The Wave Loads project

Key results and future trends

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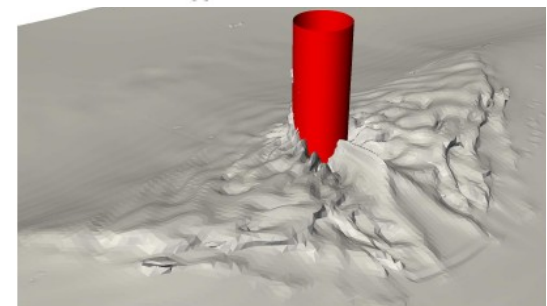
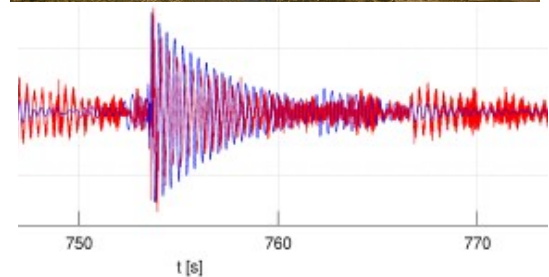
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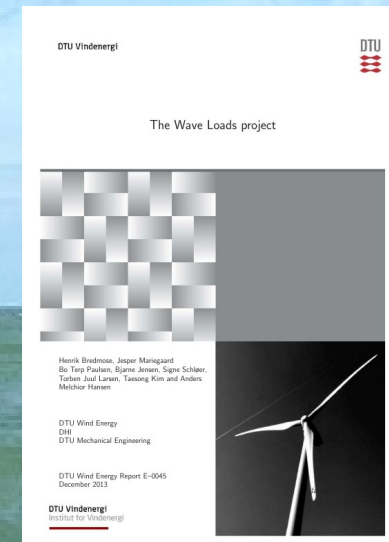
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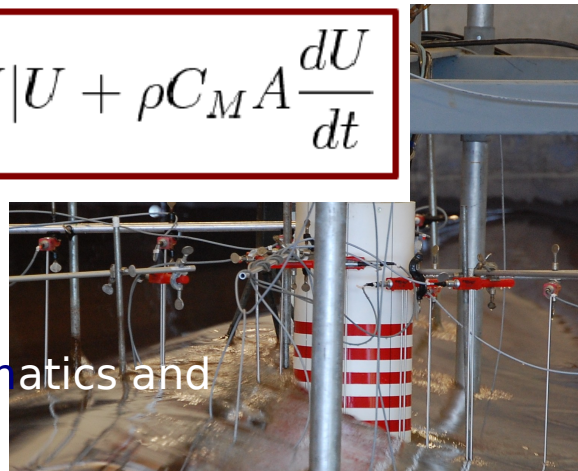
Hydrodynamic loads

Simplest: Linear wave kinematics and Morison equation

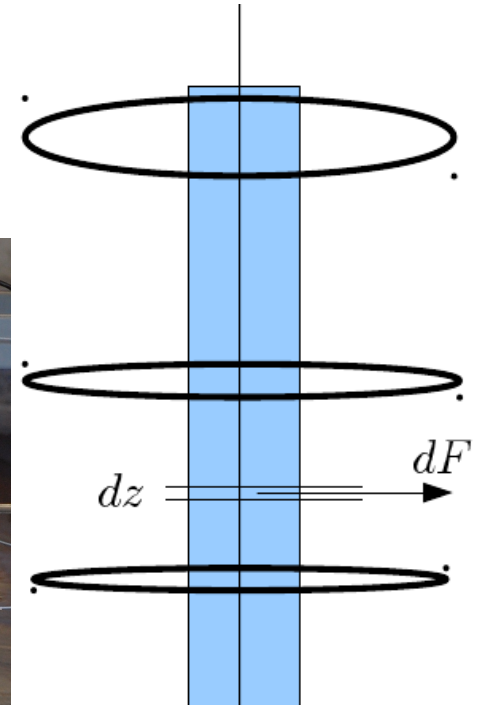
$$F = \frac{1}{2} \rho C_D D |U| U + \rho C_M A \frac{dU}{dt}$$

Better: Fully nonlinear wave kinematics and Morison-type force model

Advanced: CFD and coupled CFD



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What is ringing?

Excitation of natural frequency by higher-harmonic forcing from nonlinear waves

J. Grue, M. Huseby / Applied Ocean Research 24 (2002) 203–214

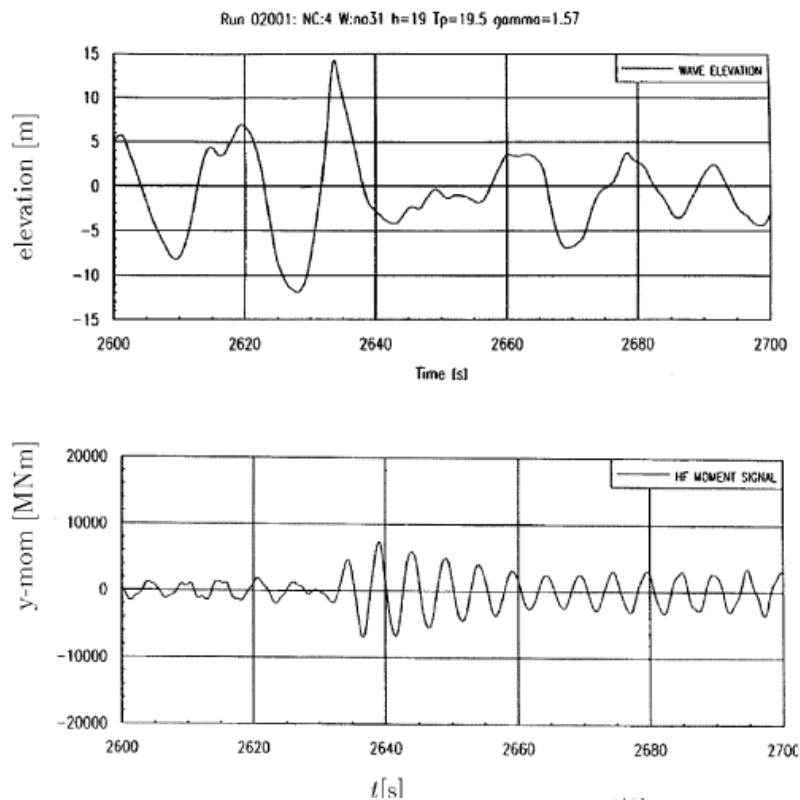
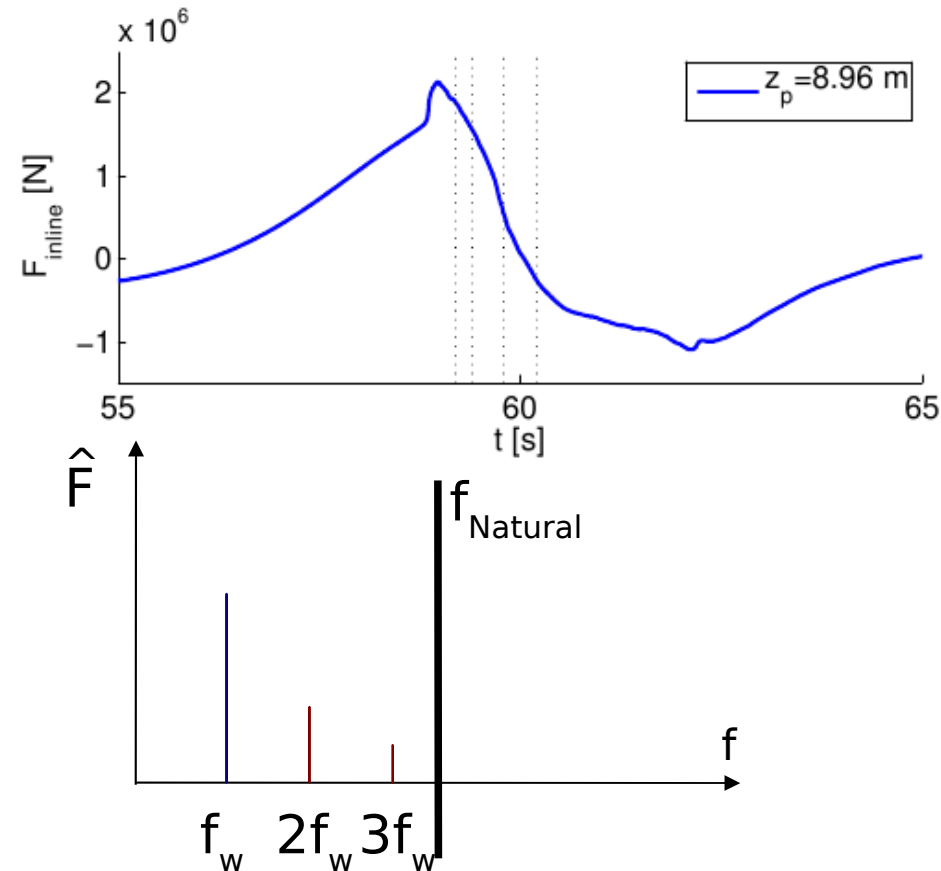


Fig. 8. Resonant build-up of vibrations in model tests [3, Fig. 3.3]. Bending moment of the Draugen GBS (lower). $(k\eta_m, kR) = (0.22, 0.13)$. Wave elevation (upper). Reproduced with kind permission by Shell.



Third-order inertia load theories:

FNV (1995): regular waves deep water

Krokstad et al (1998): irregular waves

Malenica & Molin (1995): finite depth

What is impulsive excitation?

Sudden excitation of natural frequency by large and rapid force. Steep and breaking waves.

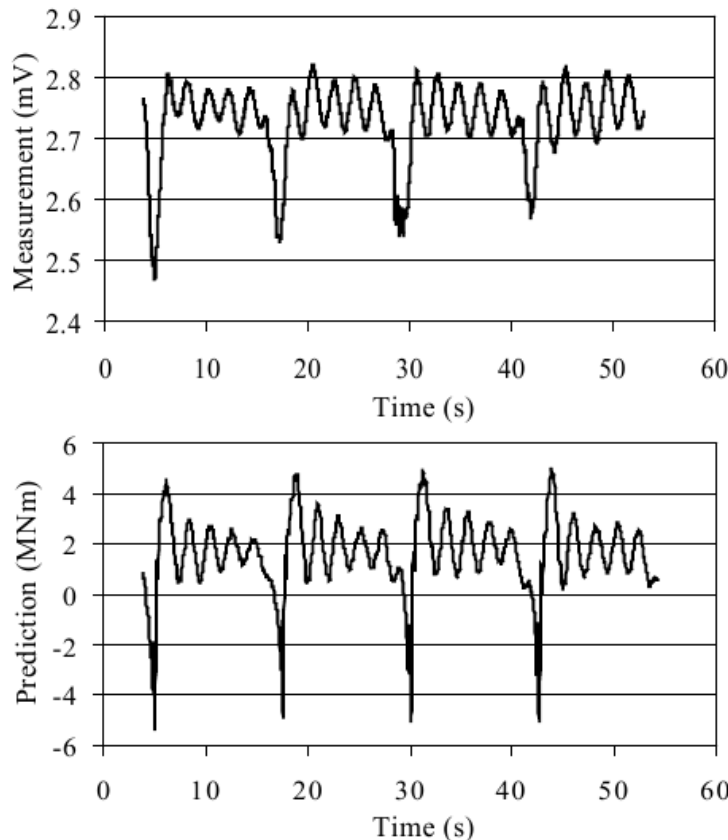
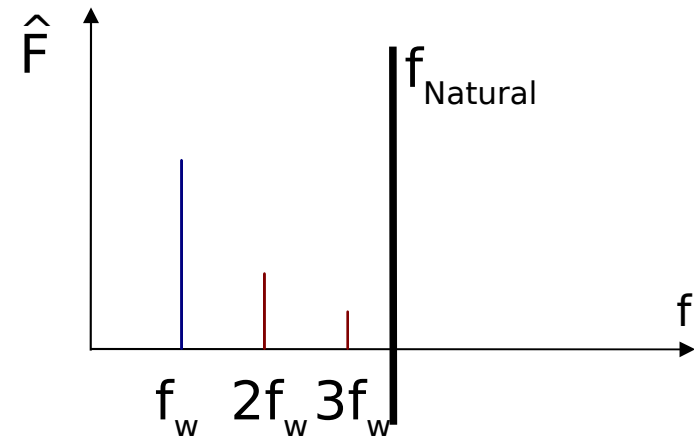


Figure 12: Measured and predicted breaking wave loads

From Camp et al (2002; 2003)



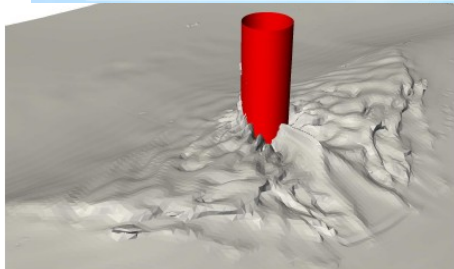
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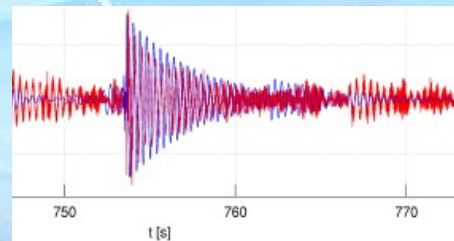
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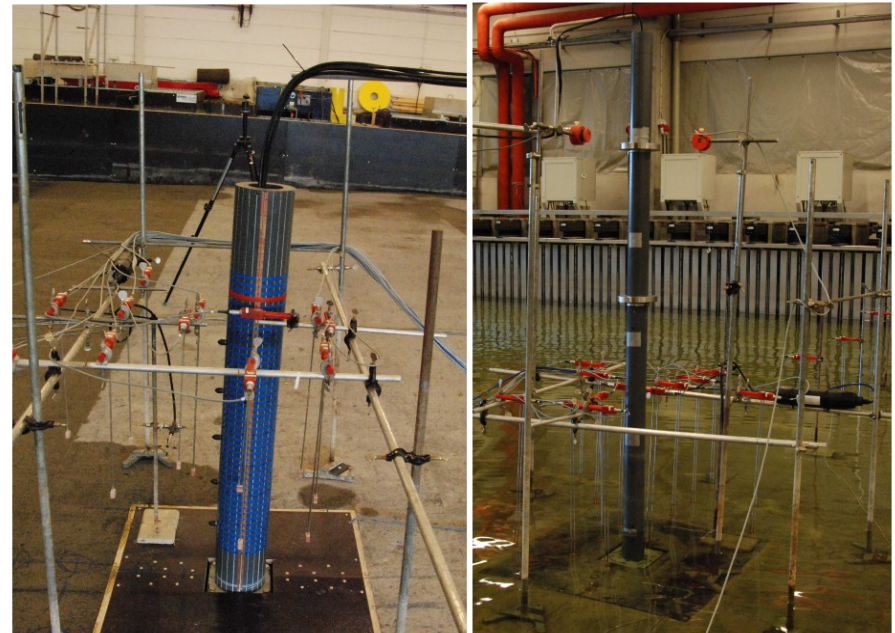
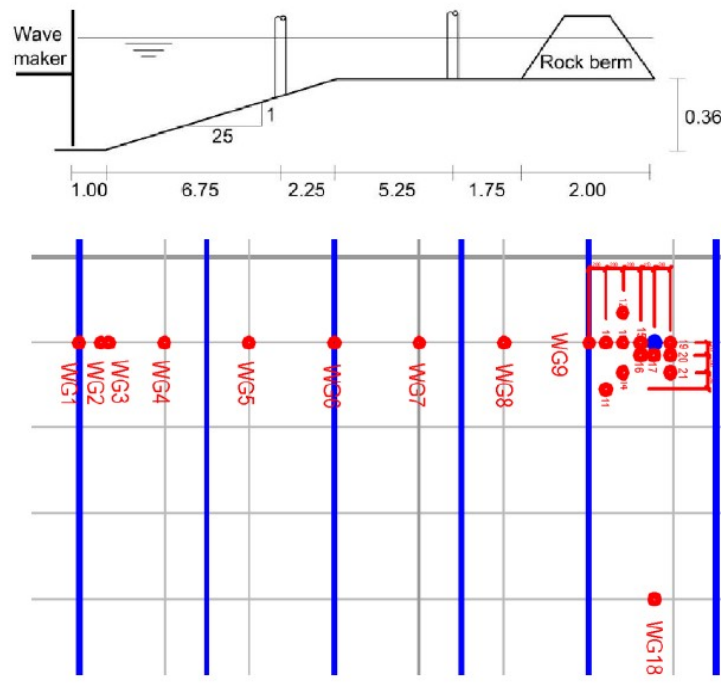


Task D:

Physical model tests

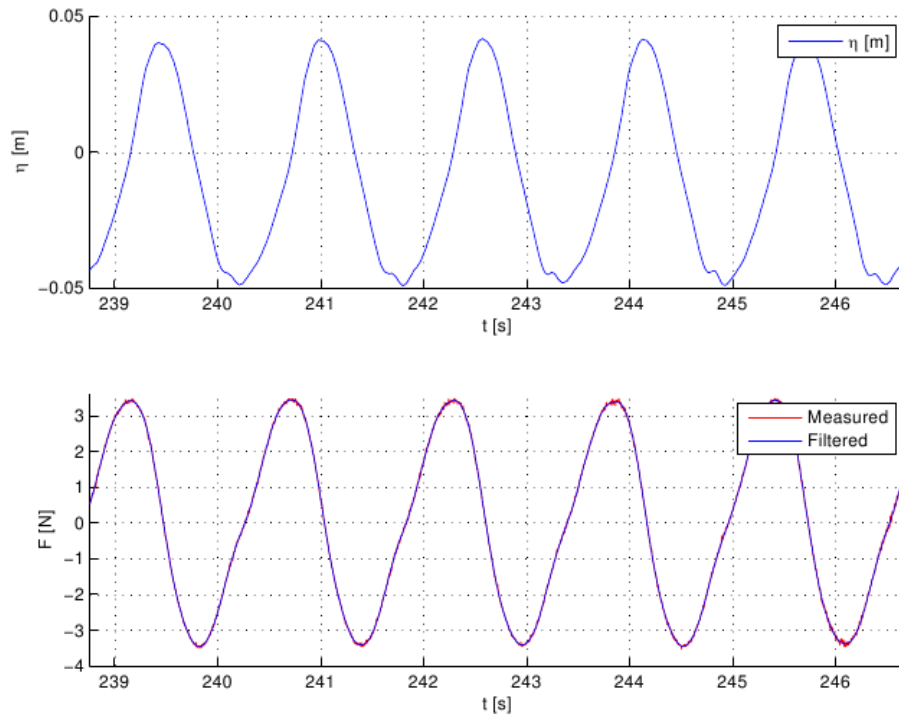
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Physical tests at DHI



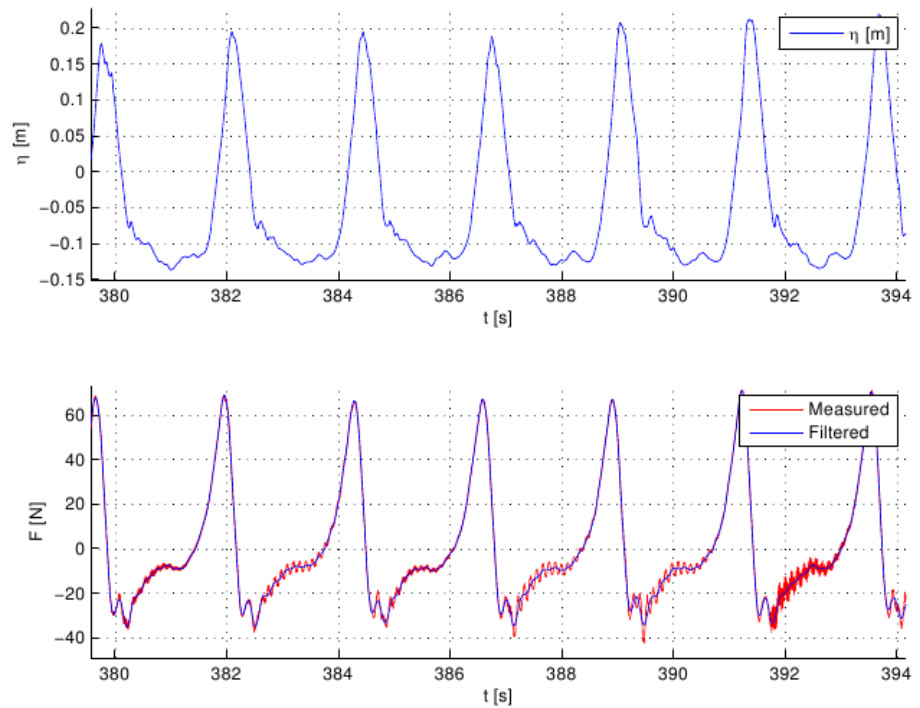
2D regular waves

Weakly nonlinear



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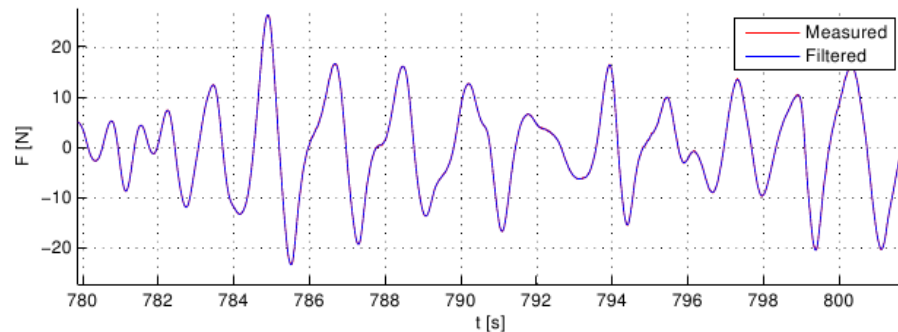
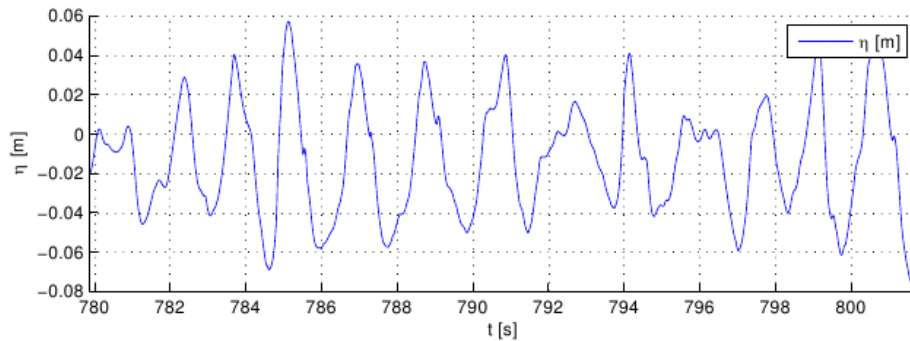
Strongly nonlinear



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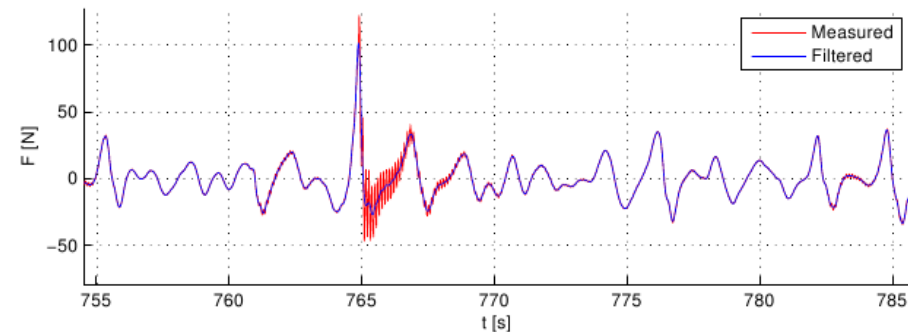
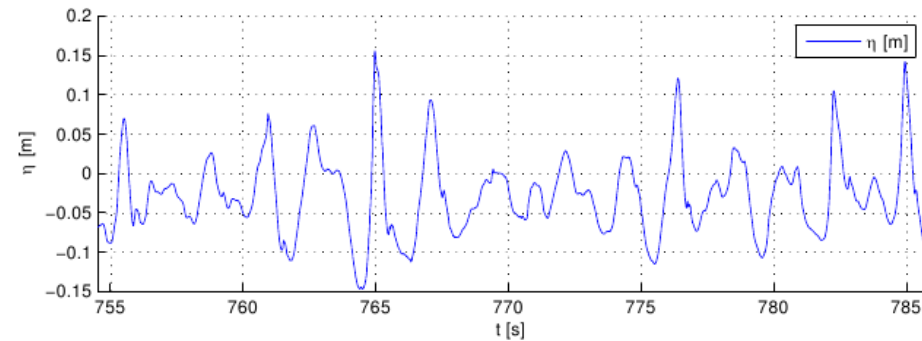
3D irregular waves

Weakly nonlinear



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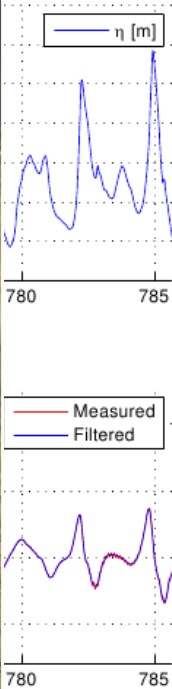
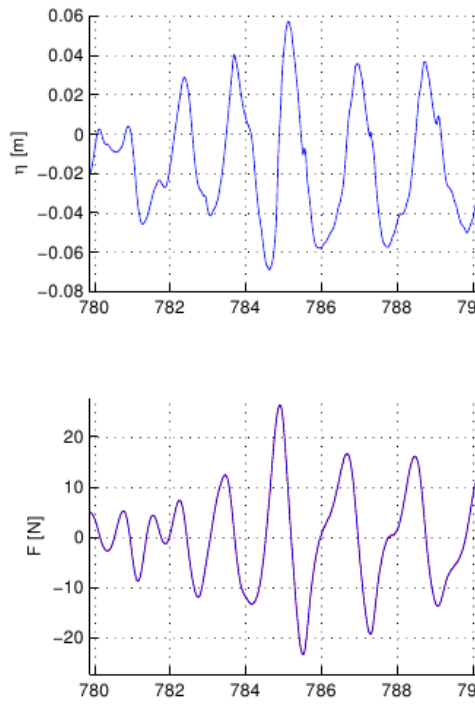
nonlinear



1:36.6; $h=17.2\text{m}$; $H=8.3\text{m}$; $T=12.6\text{s}$ (at full scale)

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Tests with a flexible cylinder

Bredmose et al OMAE 2013

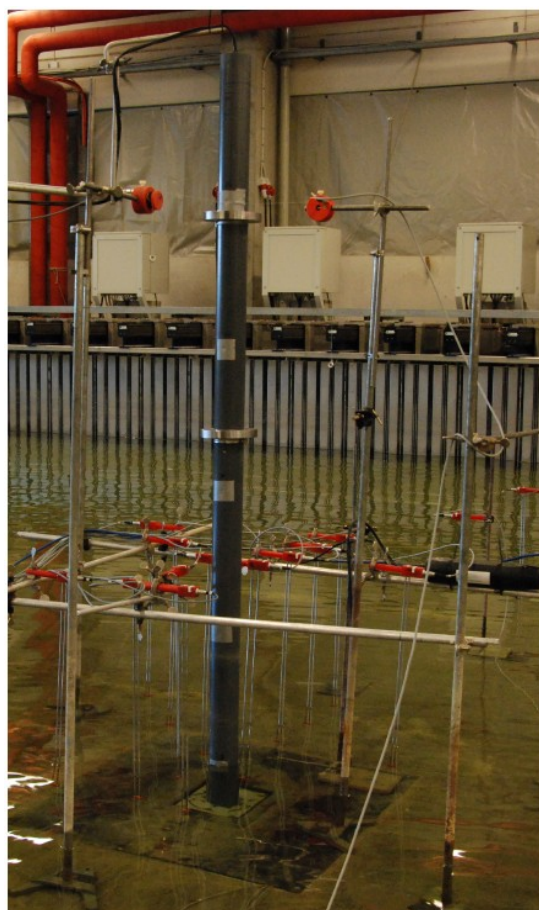
Inspiration from de Ridder et al OMAE 2011

Target values
from NREL 5MW
reference WT

Pipe properties

	Lab scale (1:80)	Prototype scale
D_{outer}	7.5 cm	6.0 m
Wall thickness	1.8 mm	0.144 m
EI (estimated)	1026 Nm ²	4.20·10 ¹⁰ Nm ²
ζ (estimated)	0.017	0.017
Density	0.64 kg/m	4.20·10 ³ kg/m
height	200 cm	160 m
m_1	1.786 kg	937·10 ³ kg
m_2	1.784 kg	936·10 ³ kg
h_1	160.75 cm	128.6 m
h_2	108.75 cm	87.0 m
f_1	2.5 Hz	0.28 Hz
f_2	18 Hz	2.0 Hz
f_3	50 Hz	5.6 Hz

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1st and 2nd scaled
nat frequencies



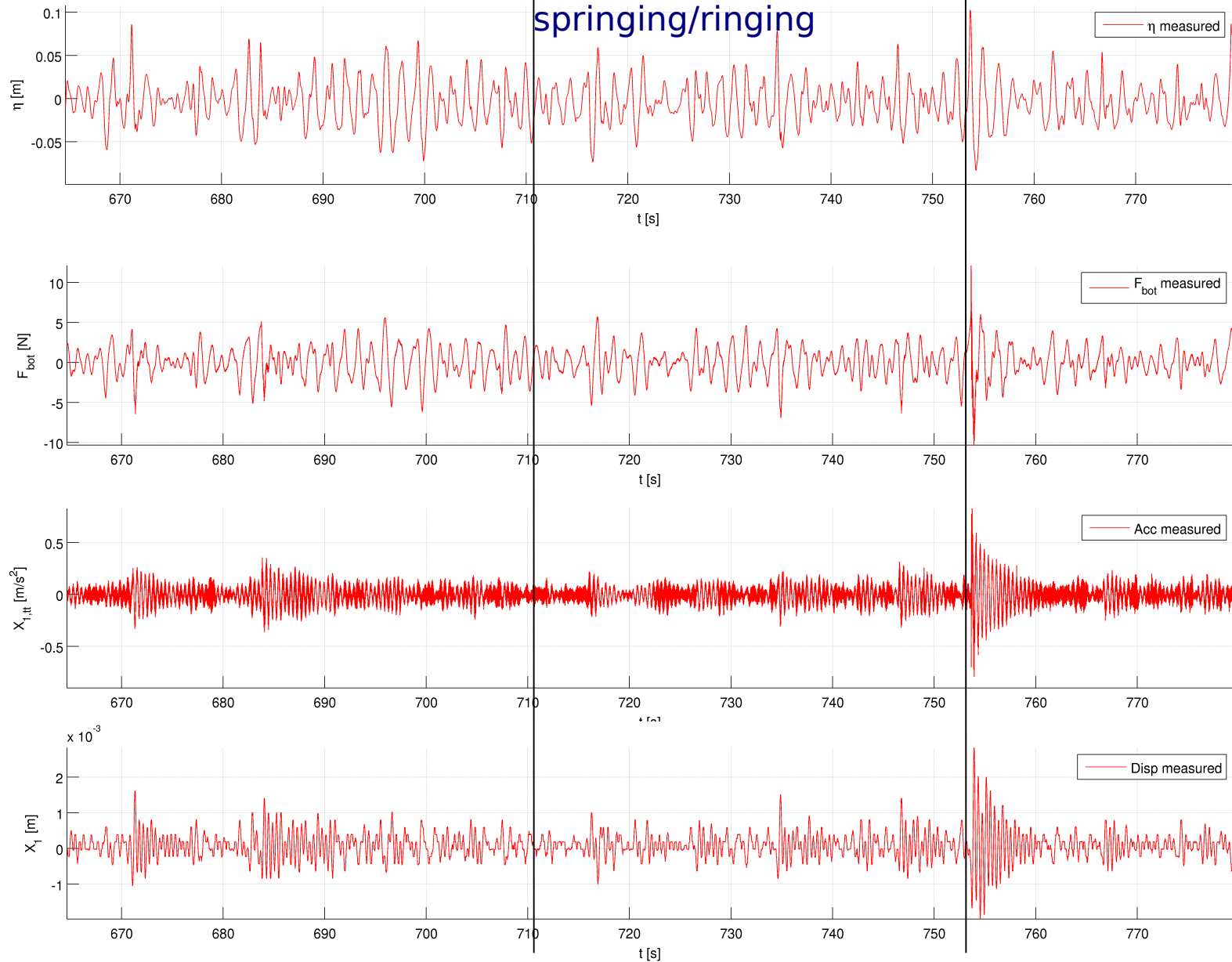
Example of measurement

$h=40.8\text{m}$; $H_s=8.3\text{m}$; $T_p=12.6\text{s}$

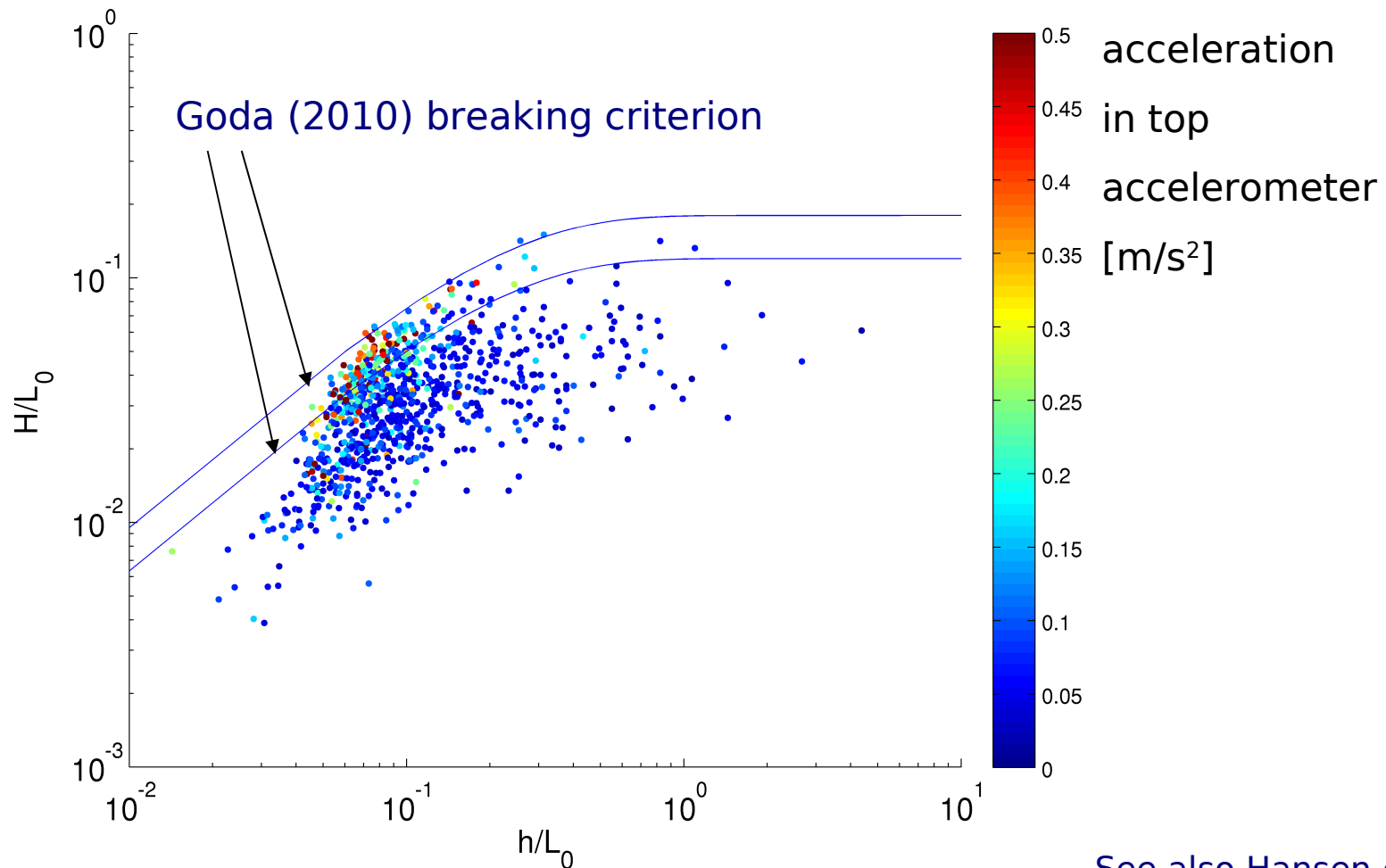
impulsive excitation



continuous forcing:
springing/ringing



Which waves give the largest accelerations?



See also Hansen et al
(OMAE 2012)

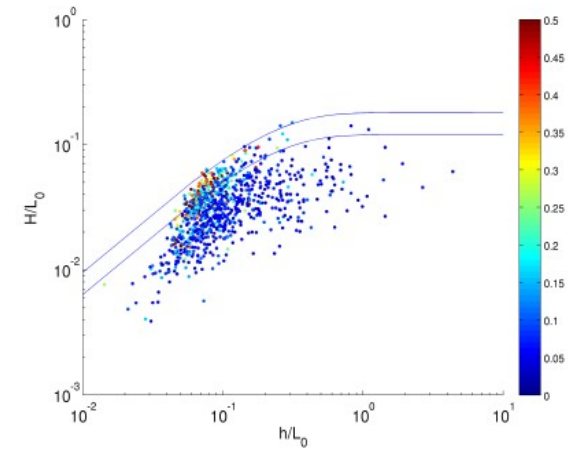
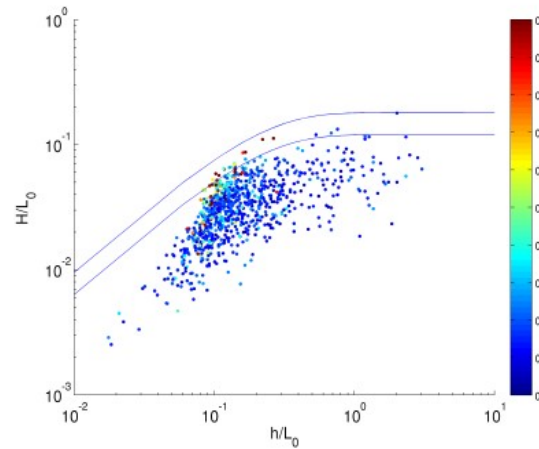
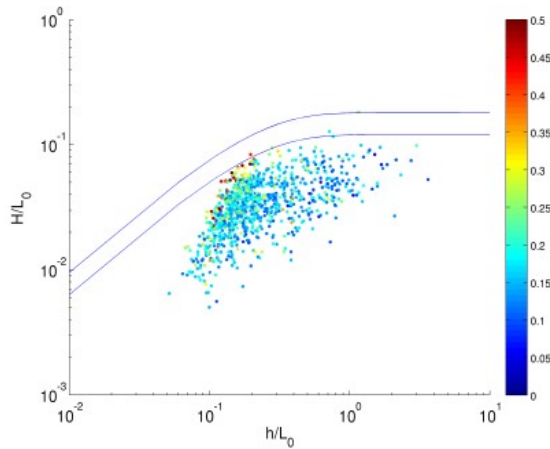
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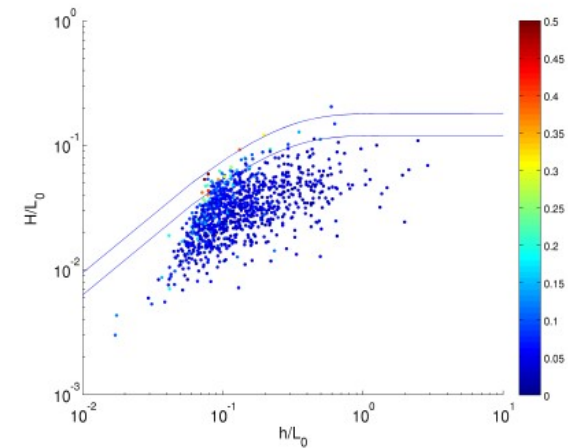
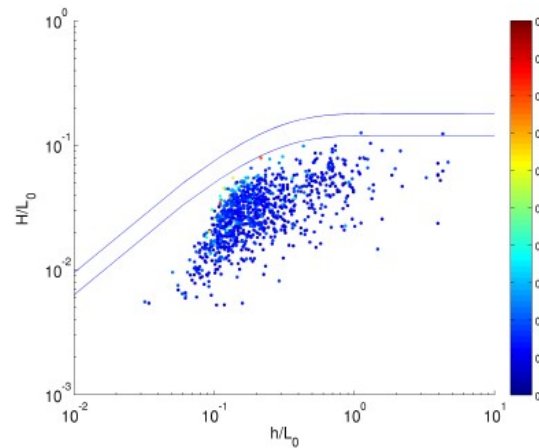
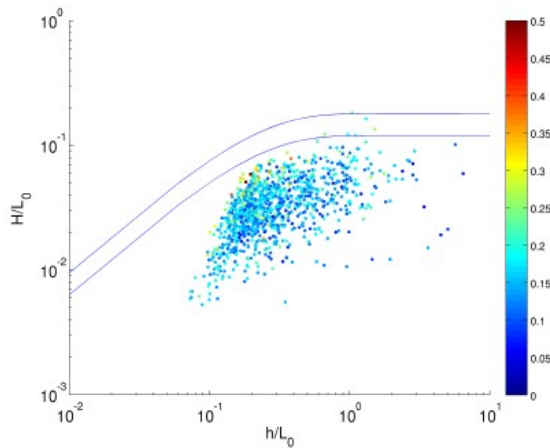
$h = 30.8 \text{ m}$

$h = 20.8 \text{ m}$

$H_s = 11 \text{ m}$



$H_s = 8.3 \text{ m}$



Deeper water: larger bulk accelerations. **DEPTH AND ARM**

Shallow water: larger extreme accelerations. **NONLINEARITY AND BREAKING**

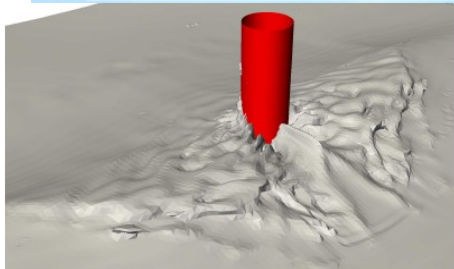
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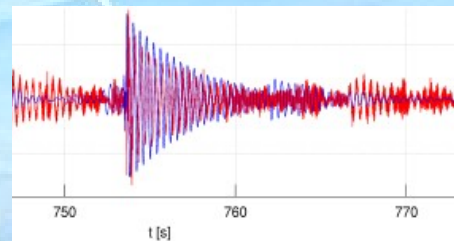
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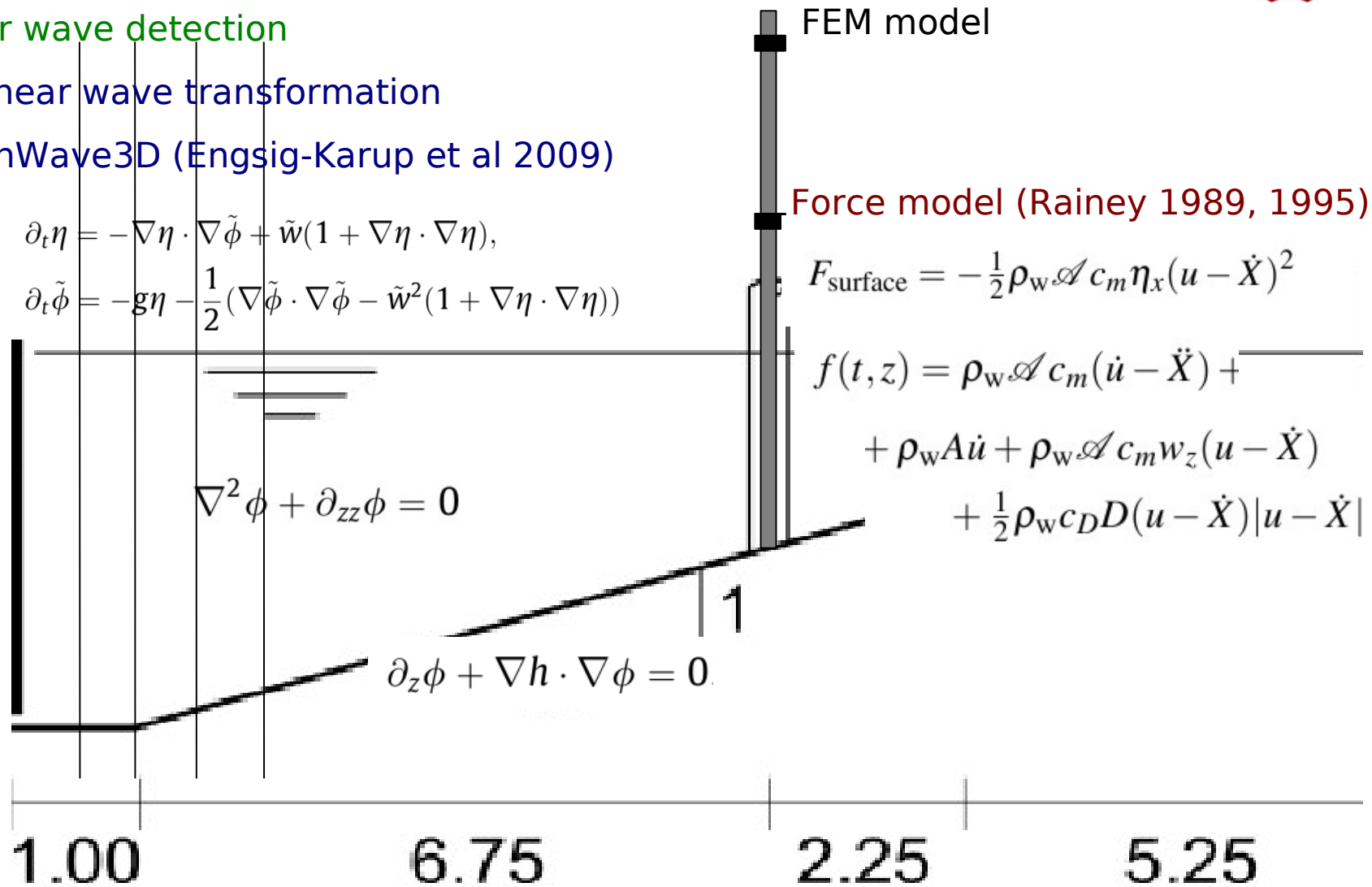
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Numerical reproduction of experiments

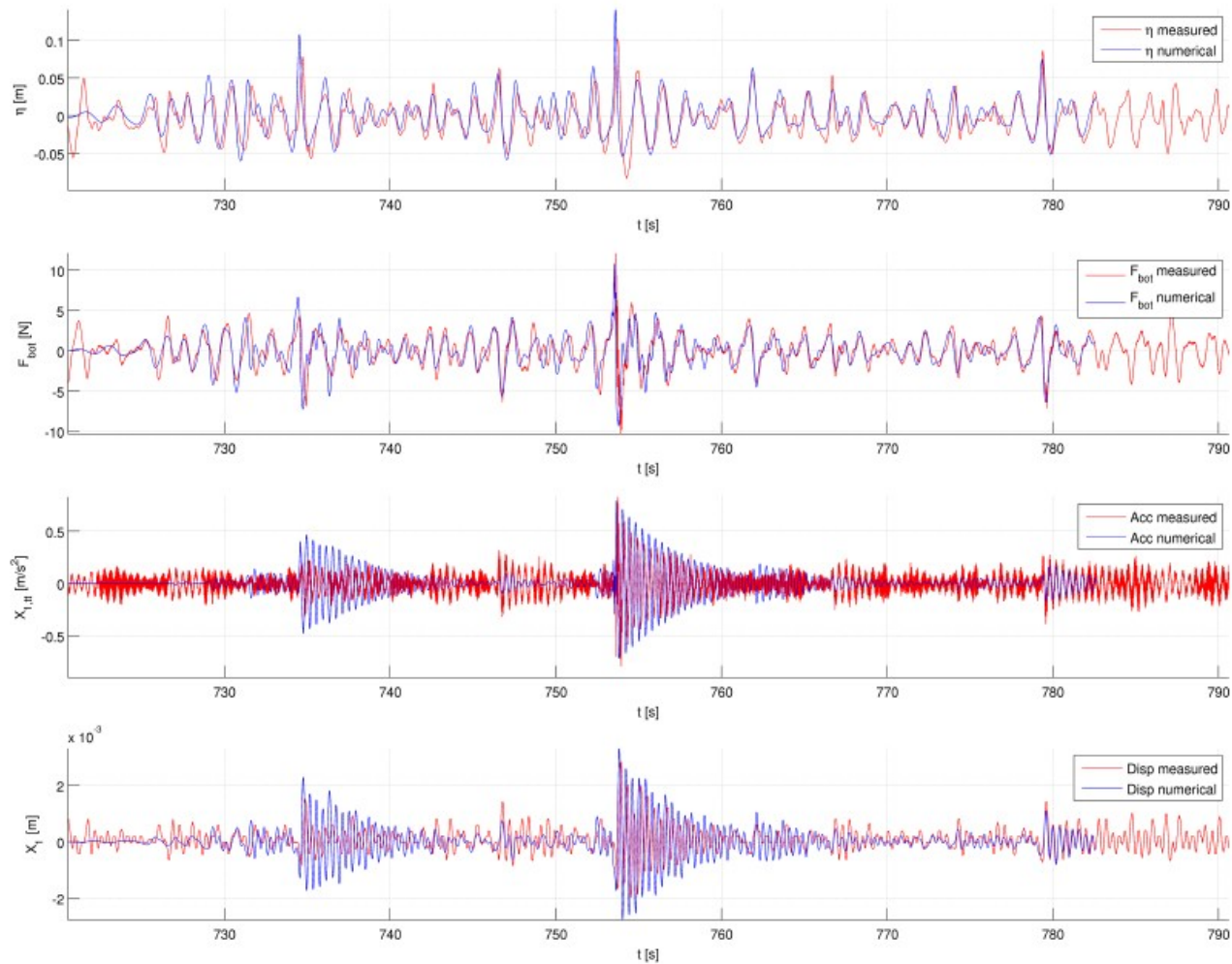
Linear wave detection

Nonlinear wave transformation

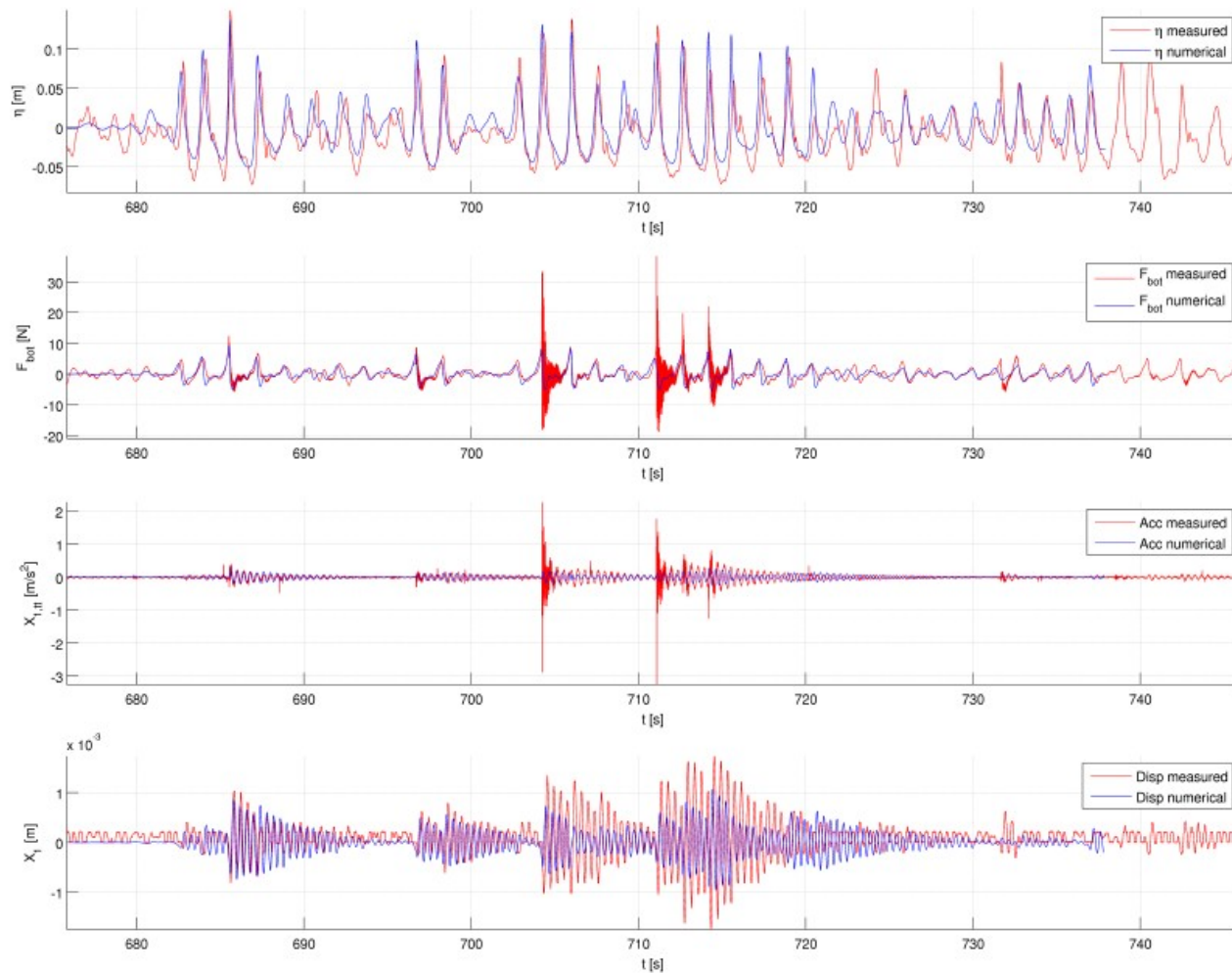
OceanWave3D (Engsig-Karup et al 2009)



Response, $h=40.8$ m



Response, $h=20.8$ m



The OpenFOAM® CFD solver

Open source CFD toolbox

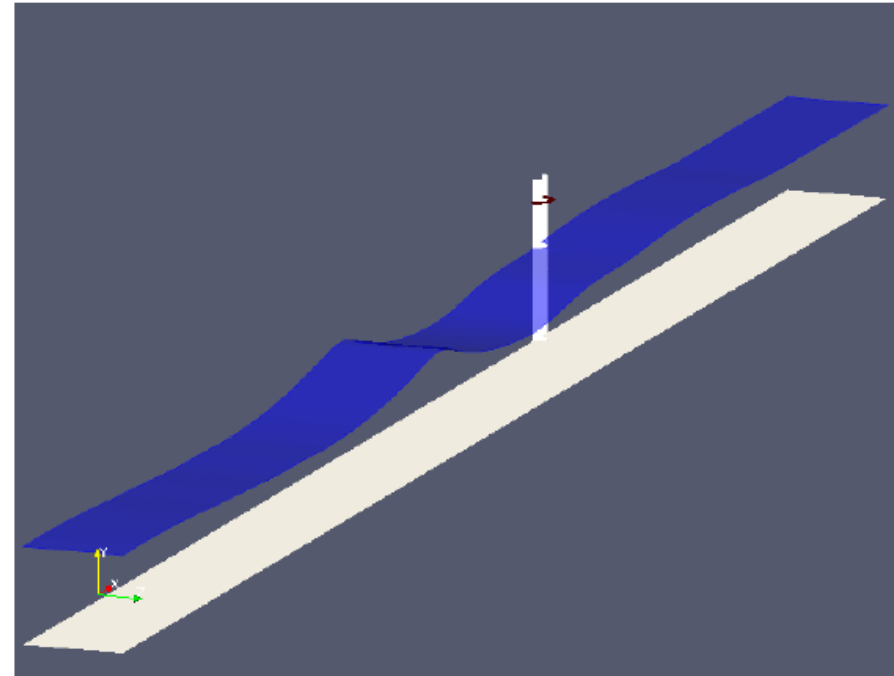
Vast attention during last 3 years

This study: interFoam solver

3D incompressible Navier-Stokes

two phases (water and air)

VOF treatment of free surface

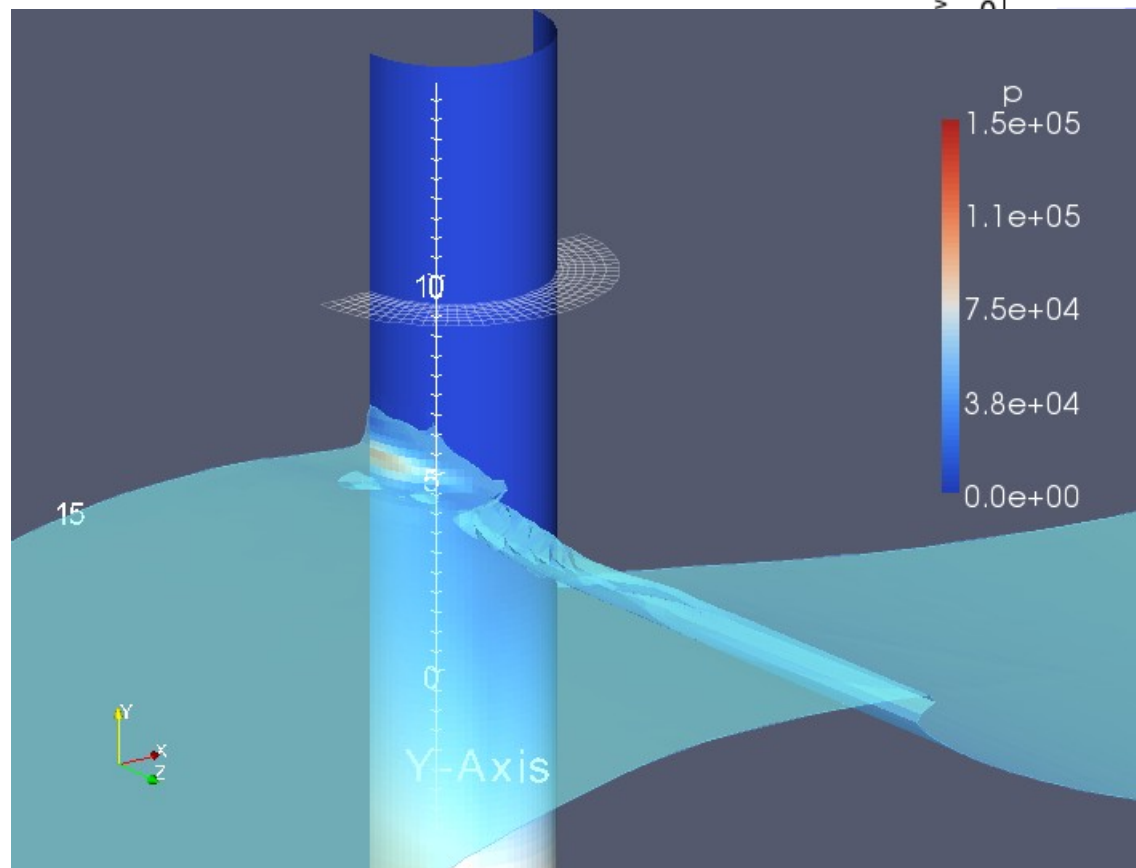


Waves2foam wave generation toolbox has been developed and validated

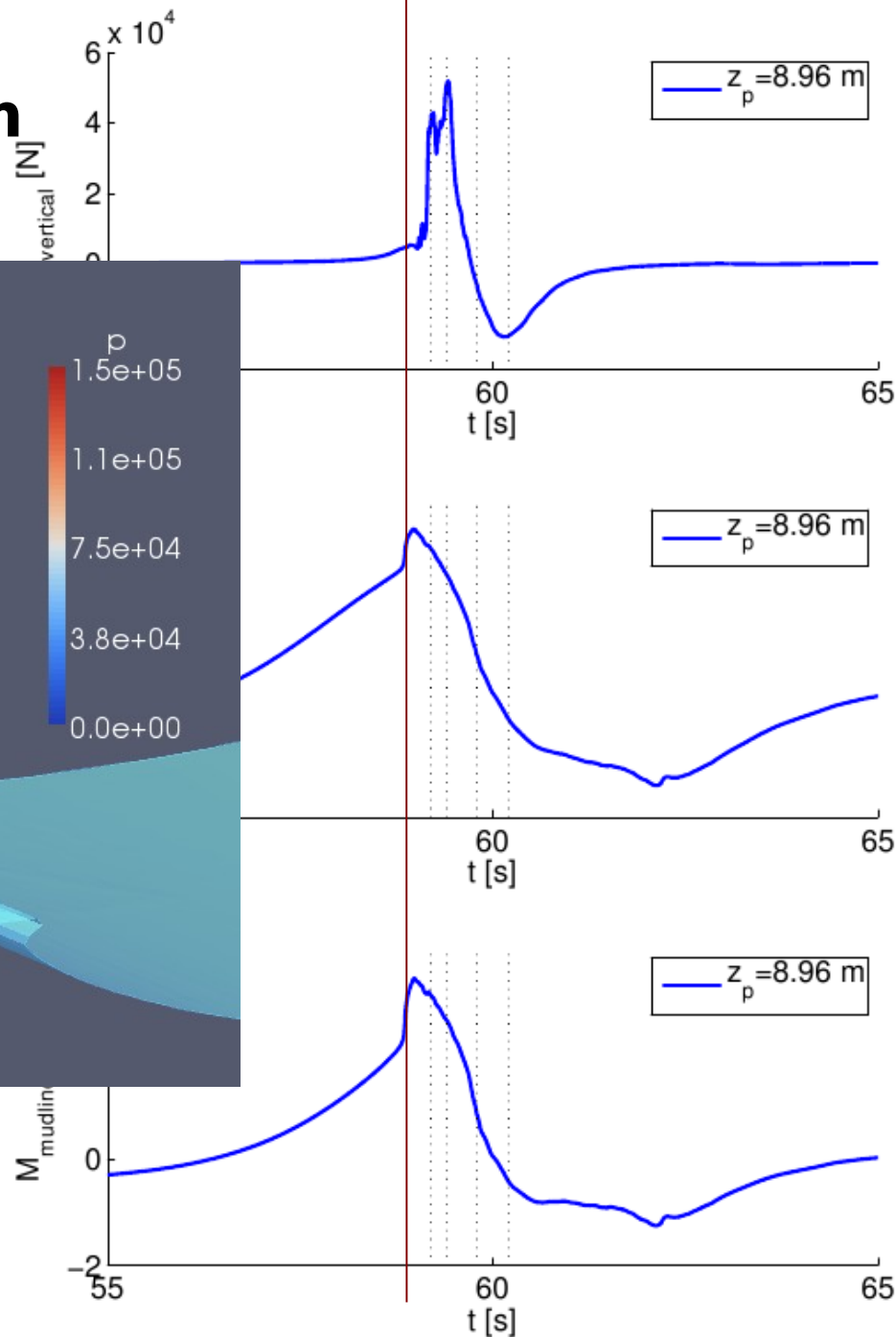
(Niels Gjør Jacobsen

PhD thesis 2011; Paper in Int. J. Num. Meth. Fluids)

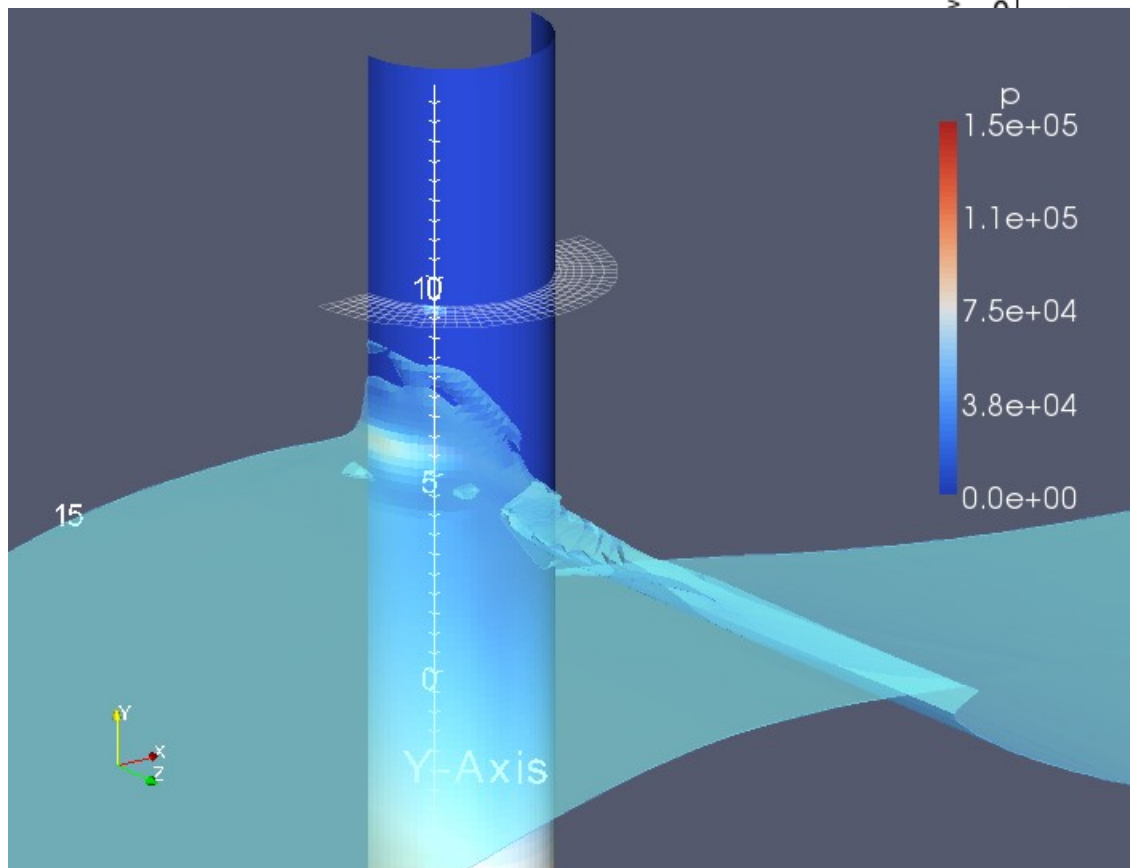
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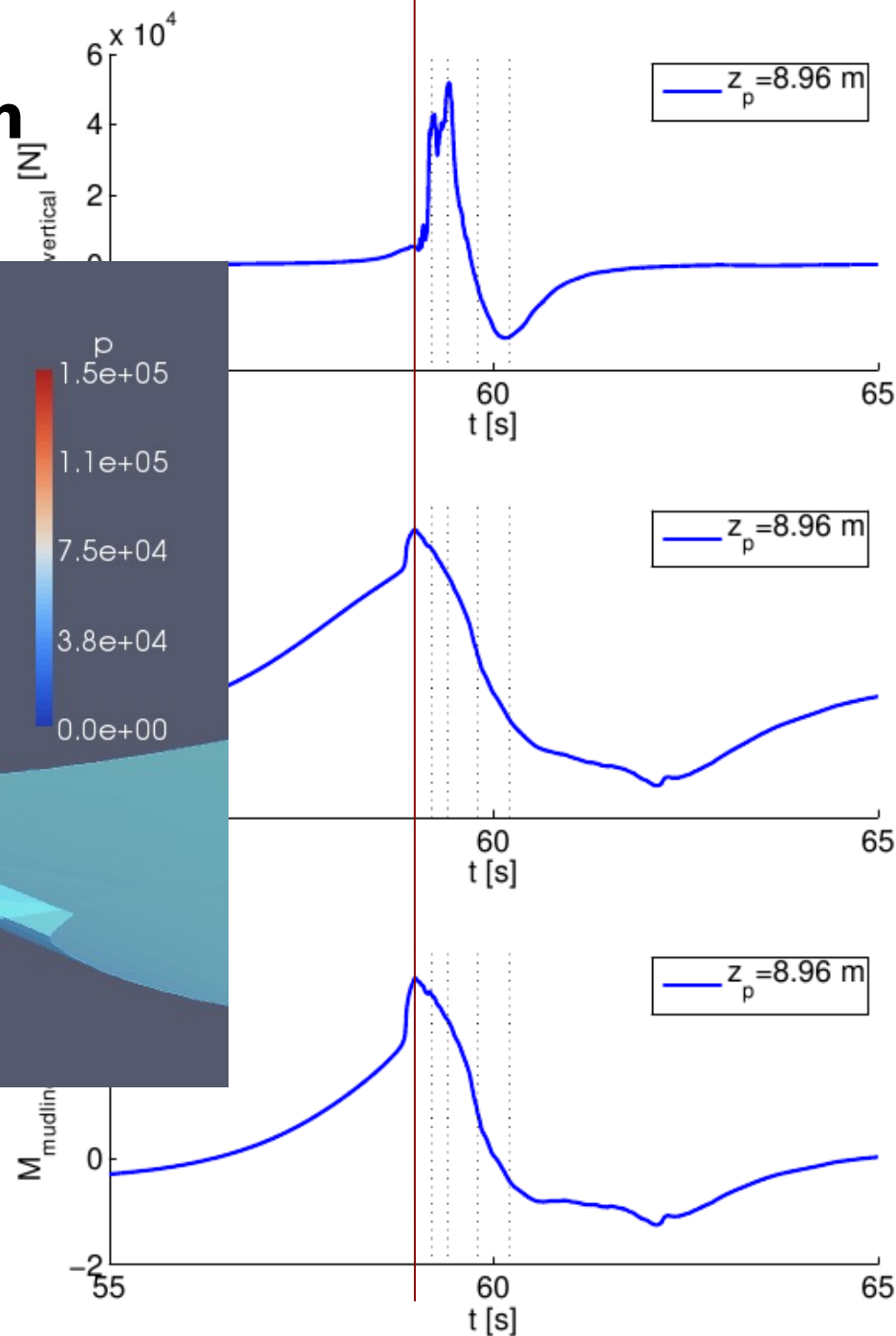
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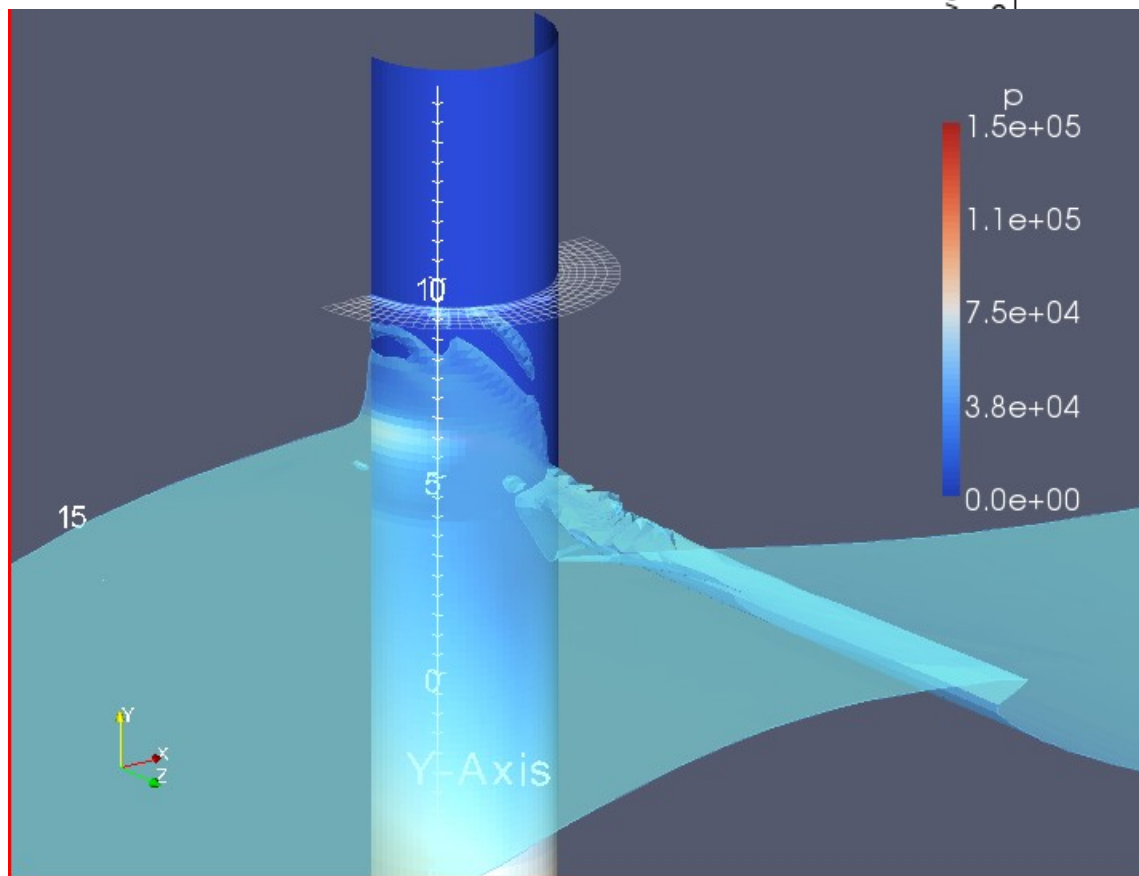
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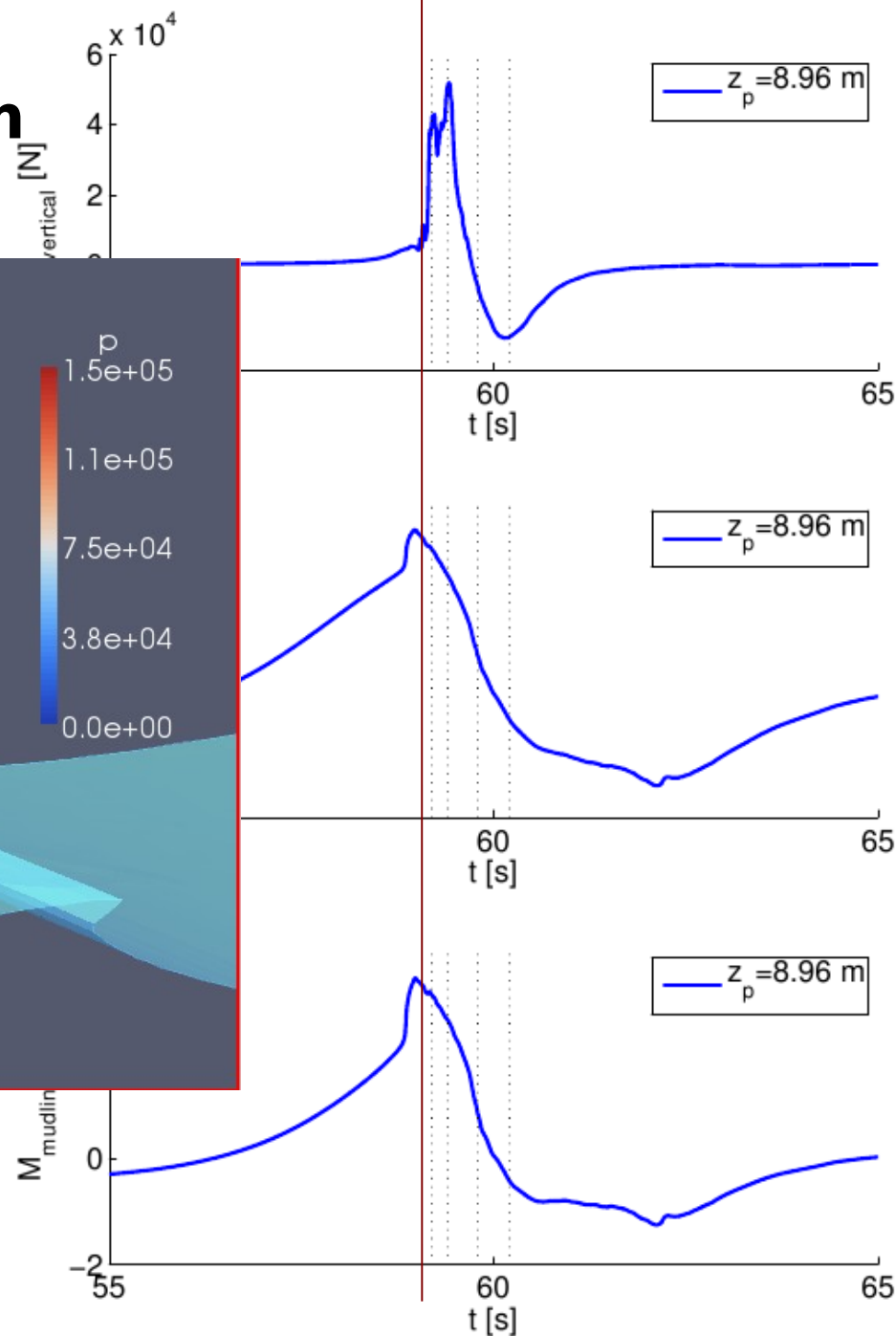
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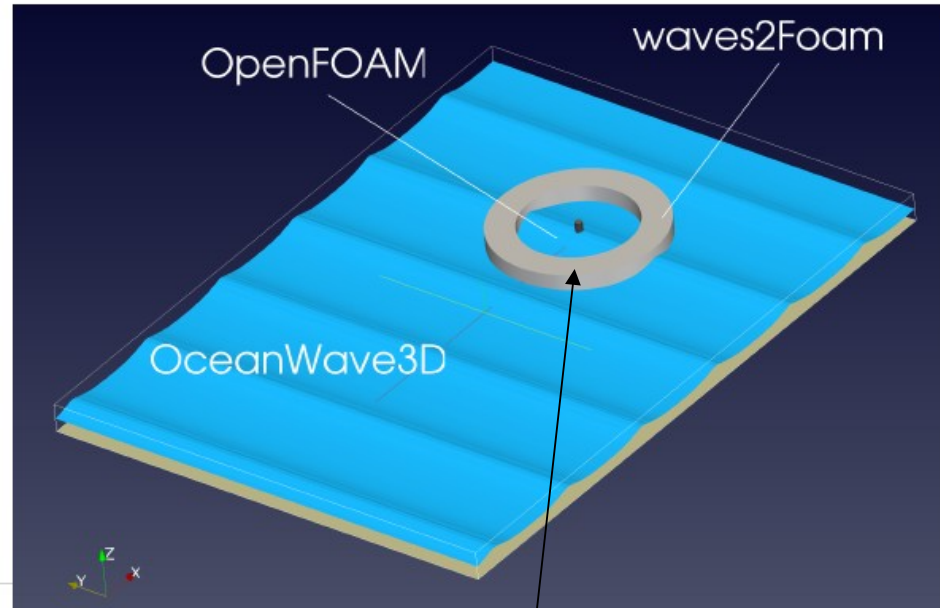
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$t=59.2s$



Development of a coupled solver

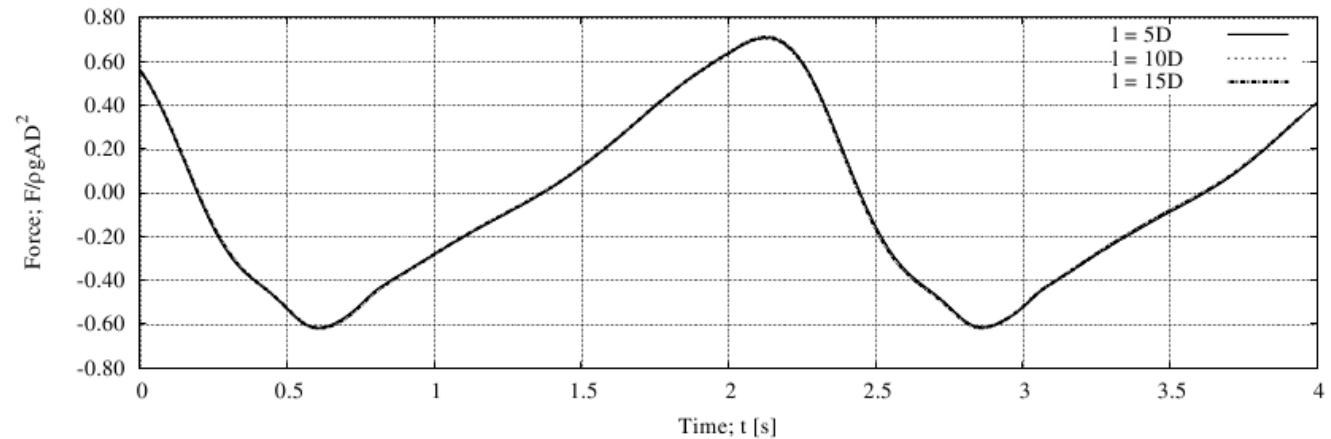
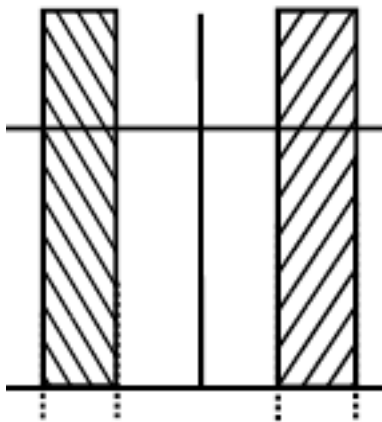


Compute outer flow field with potential flow wave model:
OceanWave3D (Engsig-Karup et al 2009)

Compute inner field with wave-structure interaction with CFD-VOF model

Coupling zone

Slender body enables one-way coupling (transfer)



Incident waves enforced in relaxation zone

Diffracted waves damped in relaxation zone

D: cylinder diameter

l: distance to relaxation zone

$kA=0.2$; $kR=0.1$; $kh=1$

$$\psi = \chi \psi_{\text{target}} + (1 - \chi) \psi_{\text{com}}, \quad \psi \in \{\mathbf{u}_H, w, \alpha\},$$

Distance can be as small as $L/6$

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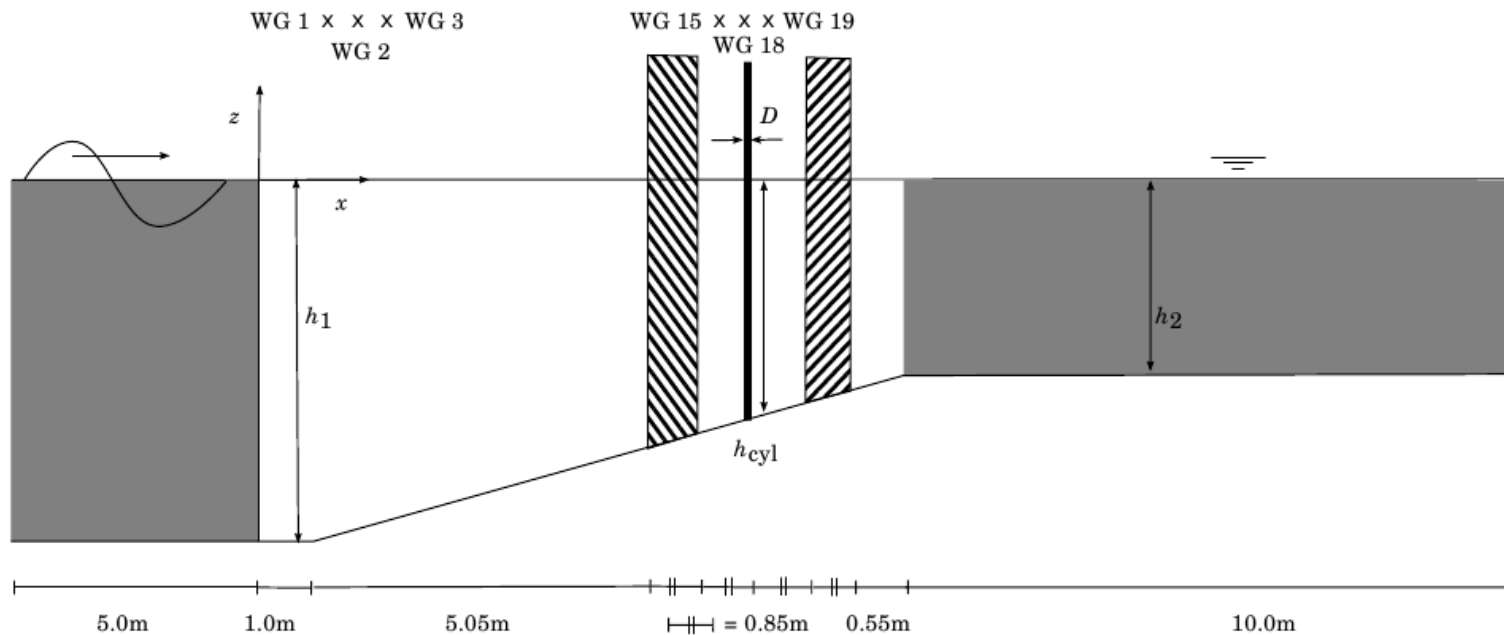
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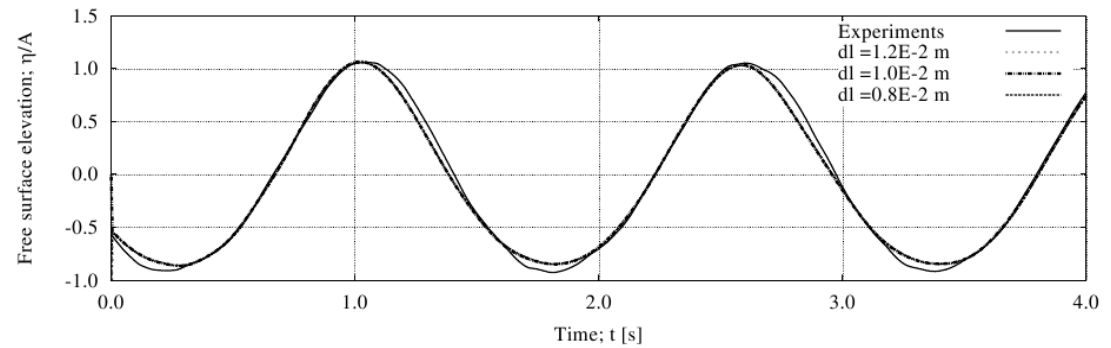
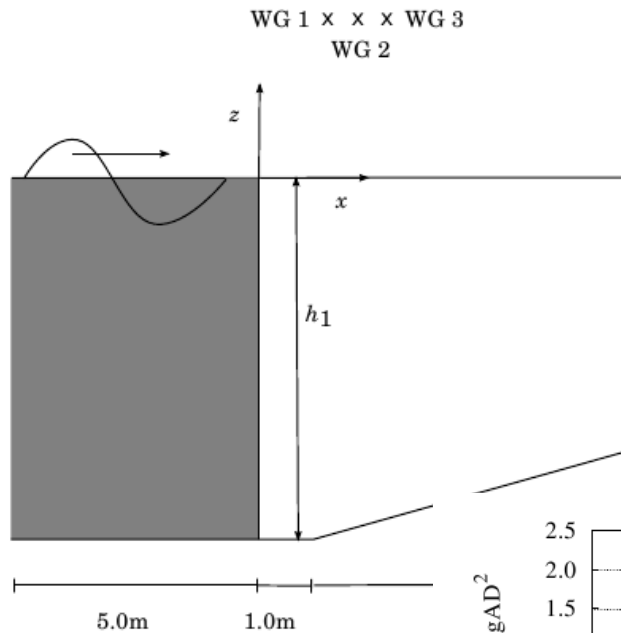
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Regular waves on a slope

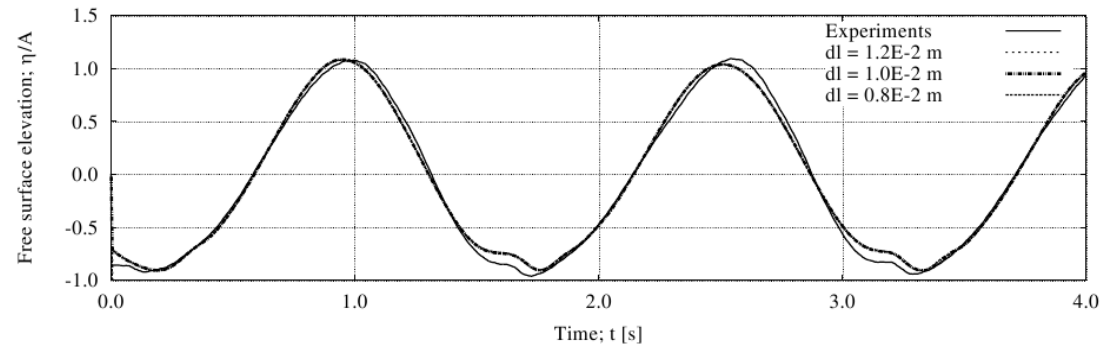
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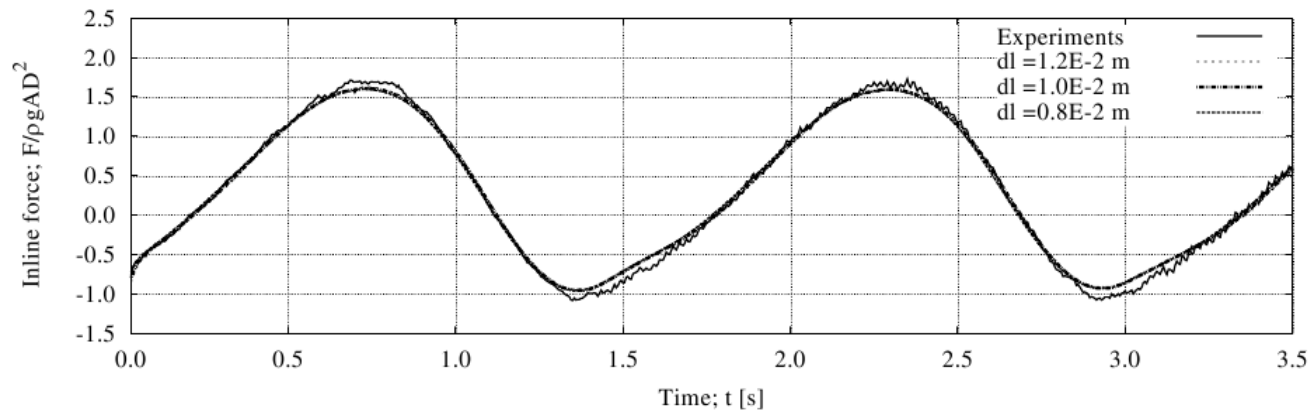
Regular waves on a slope



(a) Measured and computed free surface elevation at the location of wave gauge 18, positioned at $\{x; y\} = \{7.75; -1.00\}$ m.



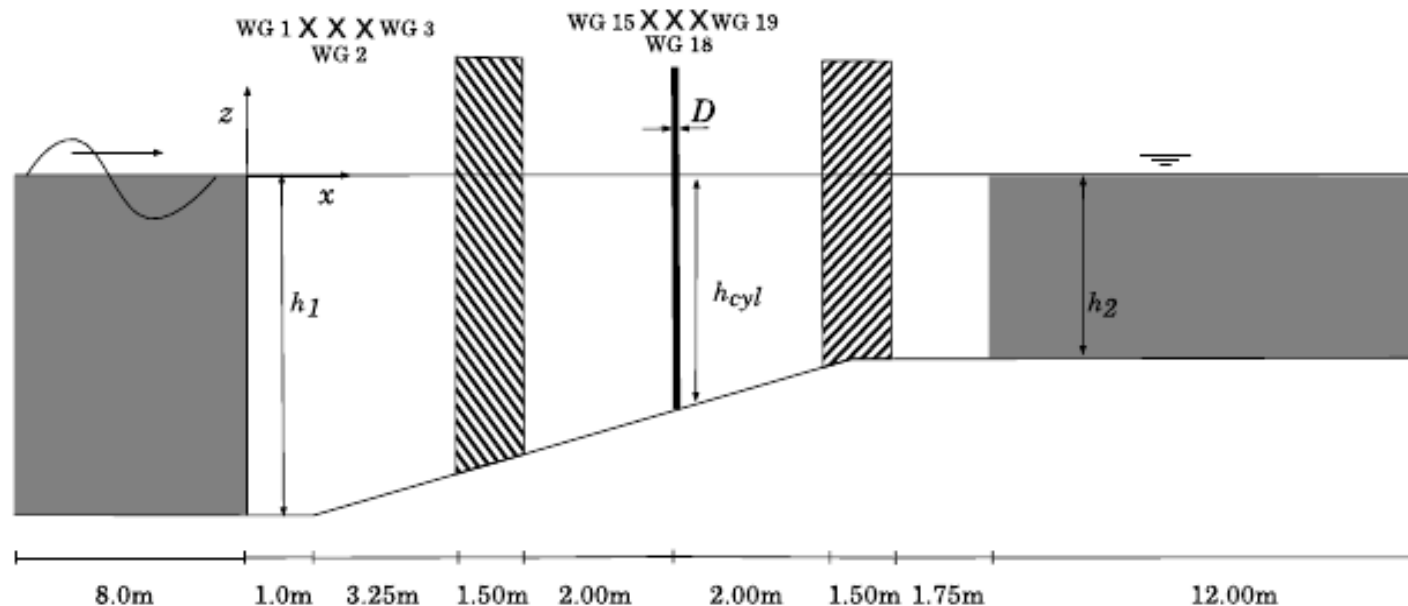
(b) Measured and computed free surface elevation at the location of wave gauge 15, positioned 15 cm = $2D$ upstream of the cylinder at $\{x; y\} = \{7.50; 0.00\}$ m.



(a) Measured and computed non-dimensional inline force on the cylinder.

Validation for irregular wave forcing on a slope

Experiment in the Wave Loads project. $H_s=8.3\text{m}$ (full scale). Scale 1:36



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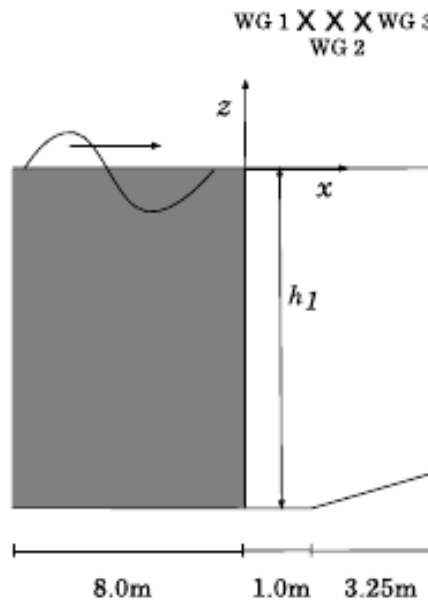
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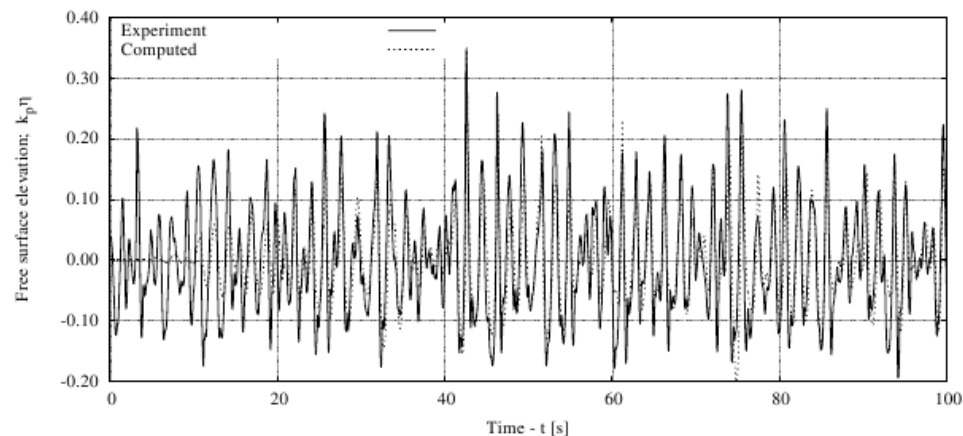
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Reconstruct incident wave field by linear analysis of wave gauge measurements.
Total computed time series is 100s long.



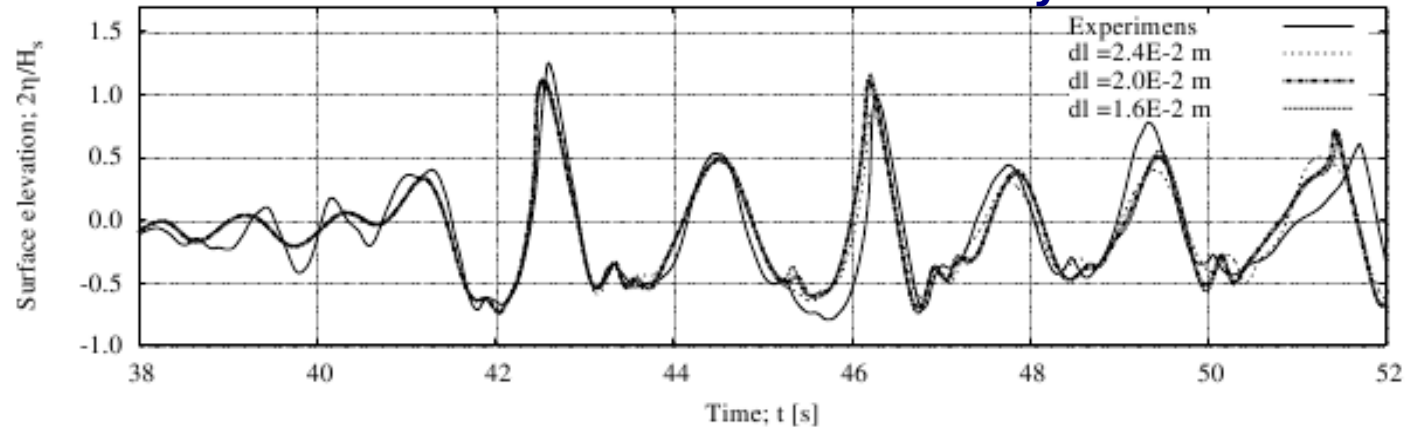
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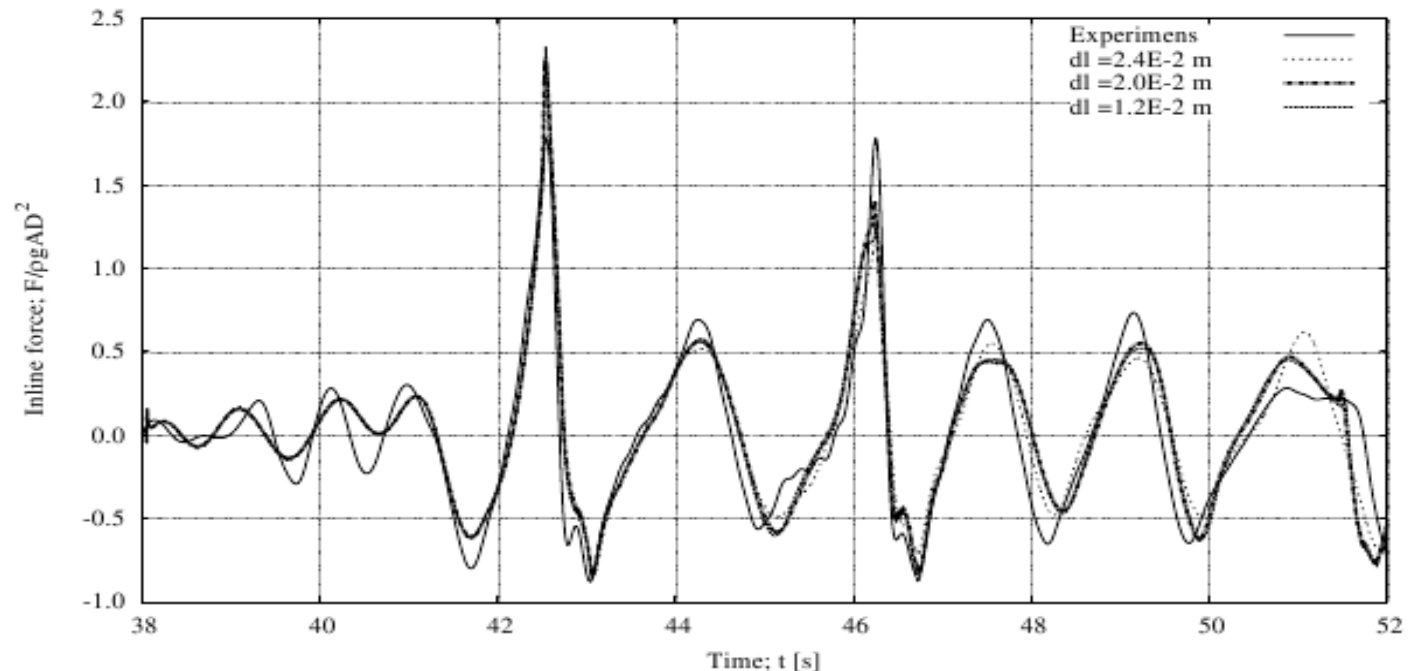
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Free surface elevation 0.25 cm in front of cylinder

Experiment

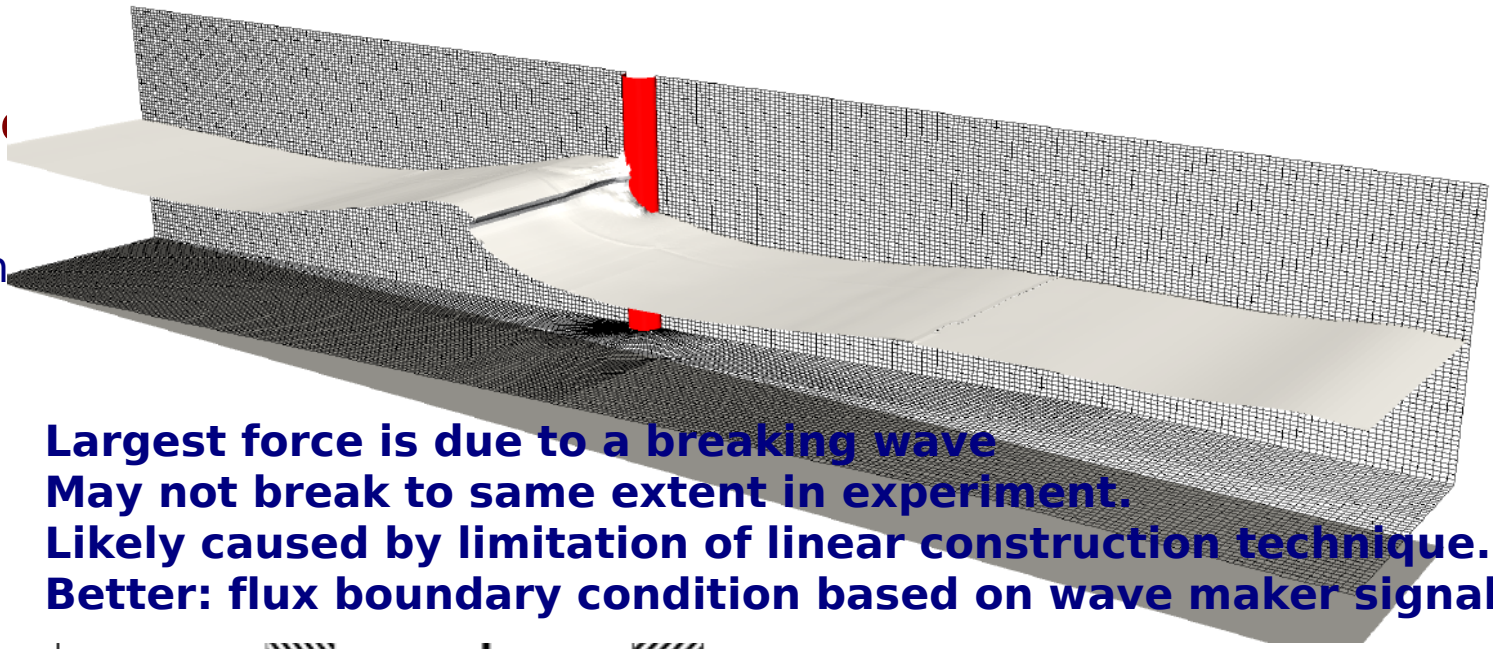


Inline force history



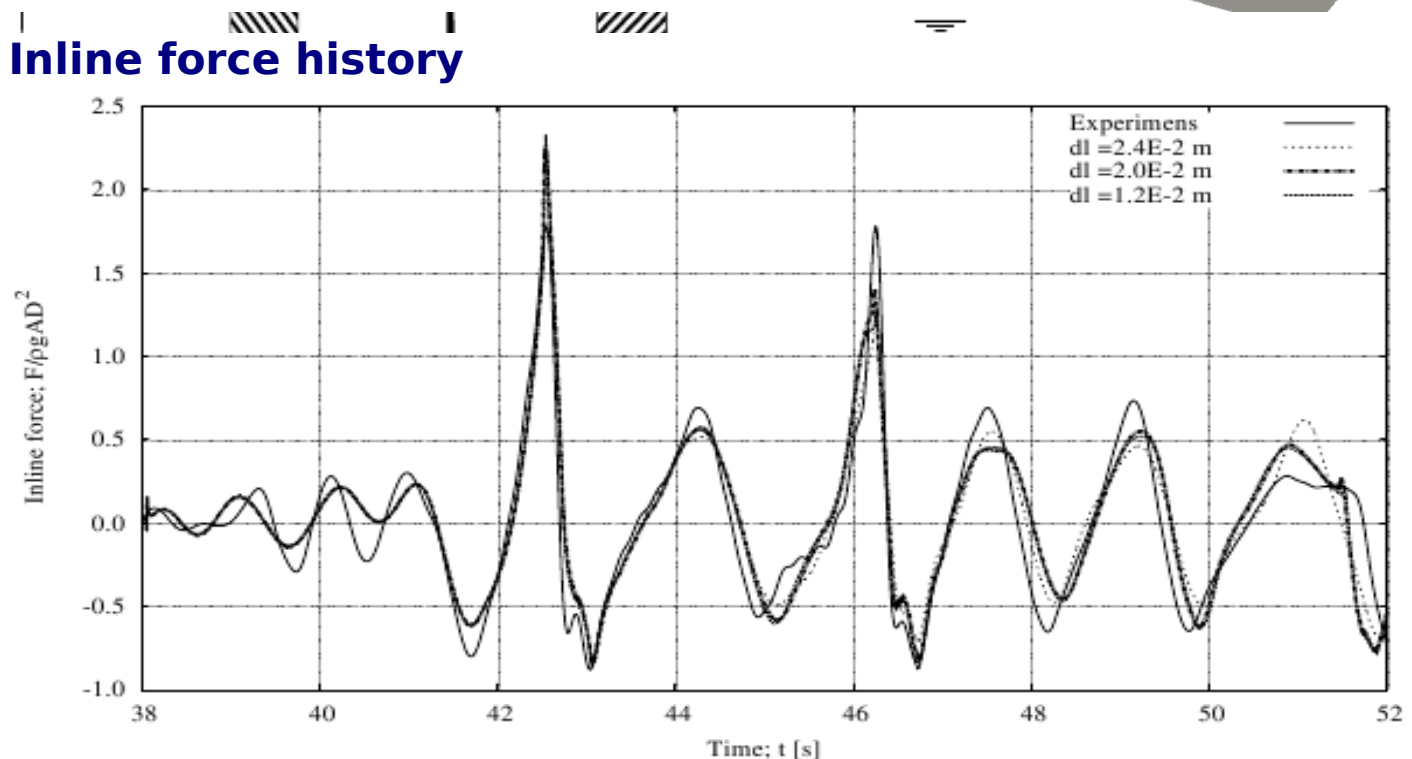
Validation

Experiment



Largest force is due to a breaking wave
May not break to same extent in experiment.
Likely caused by limitation of linear construction technique.
Better: flux boundary condition based on wave maker signal

Inline force history



Computation of multi-directional waves

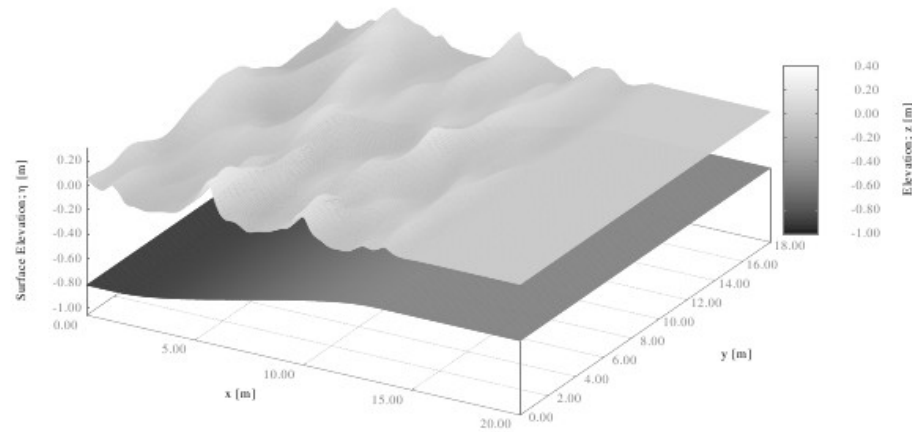
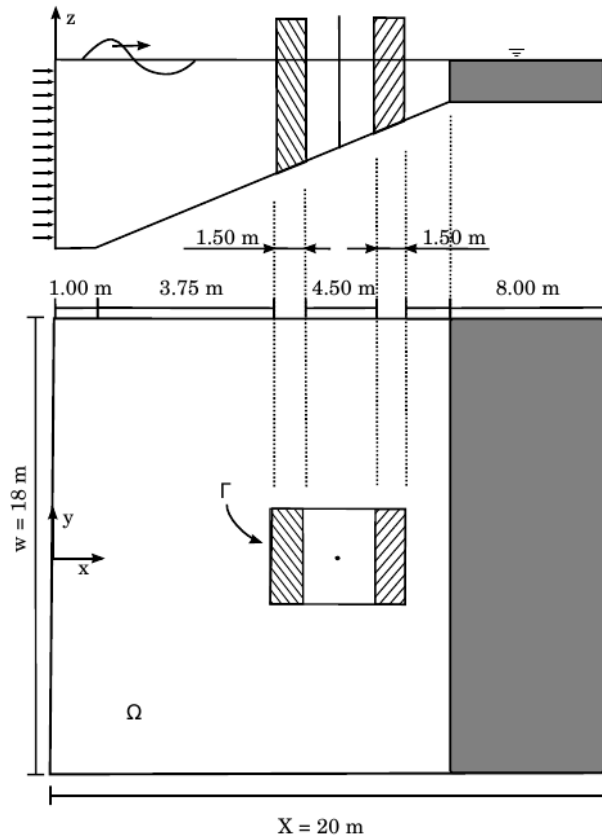


Figure 3.27: Snapshot of the free surface elevation computed by the potential flow solver at time $t = 15\text{ s}$.

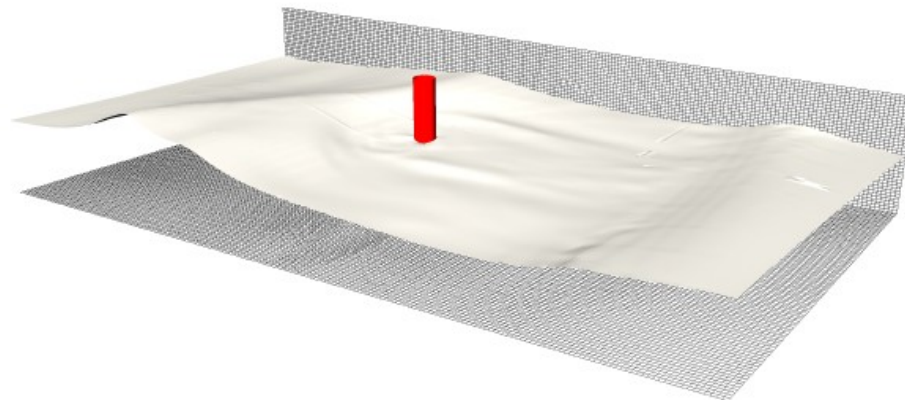
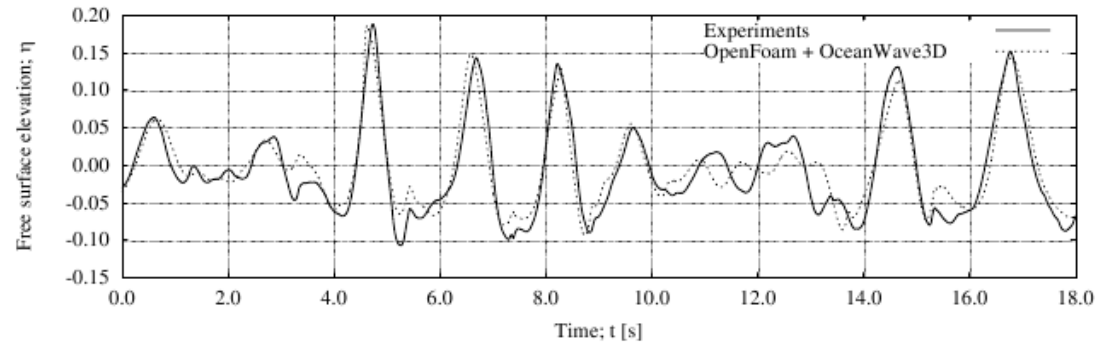
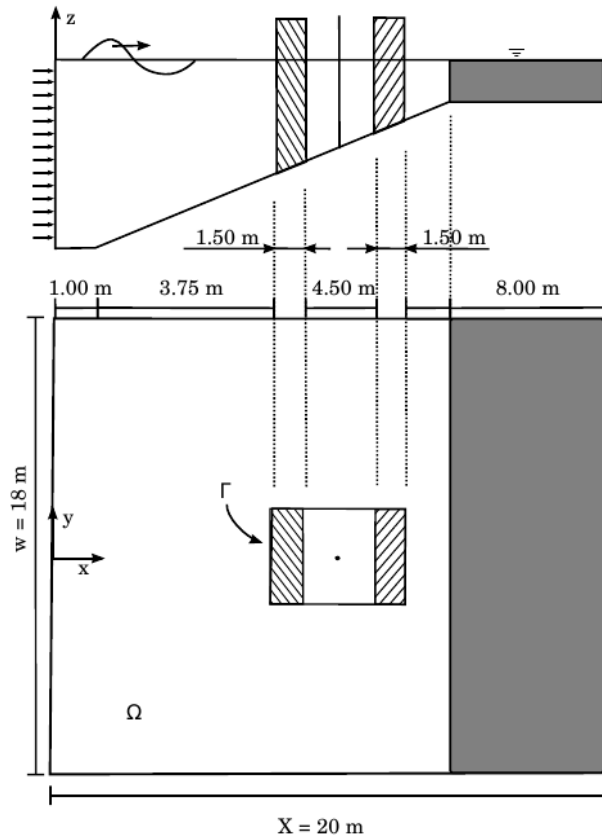
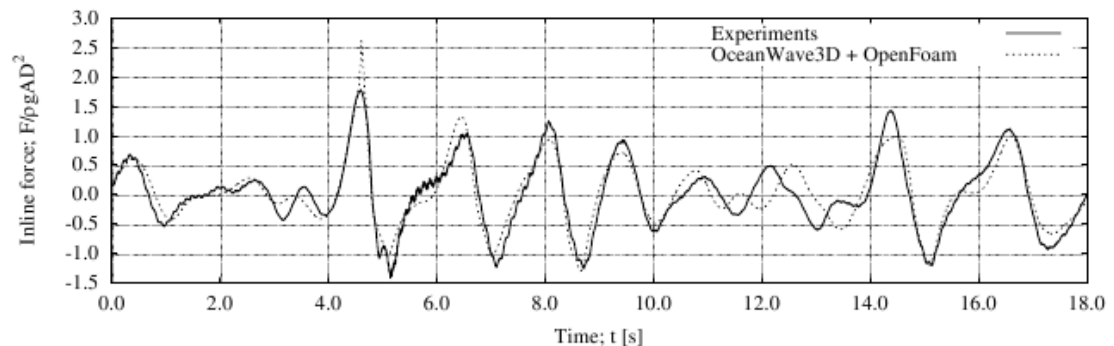


Figure 3.28: Snapshot of the free surface elevation computed by the Navier-Stokes solver at time $t = 15\text{ s}$.

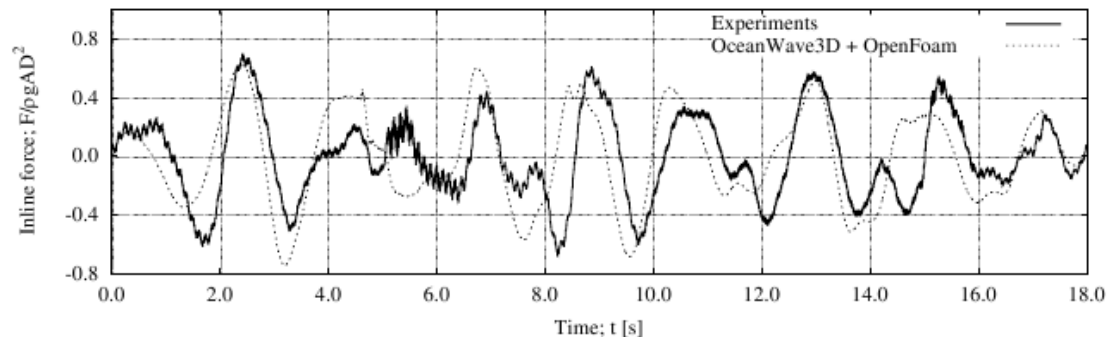
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(a) Measured and computed free surface elevation at the location of wave gauge 15, $\{x; y\} = \{7.50; 0.00\}$.

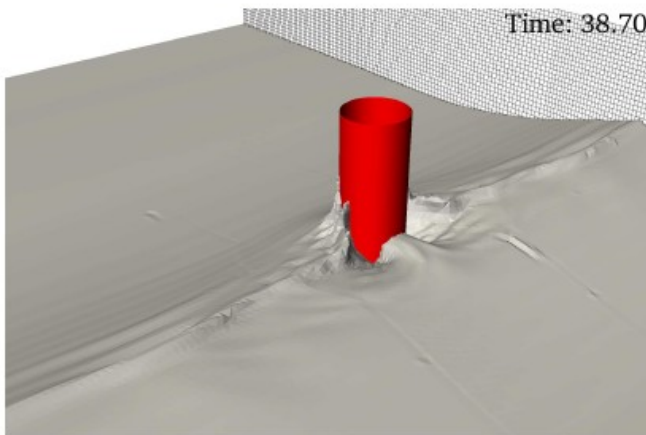


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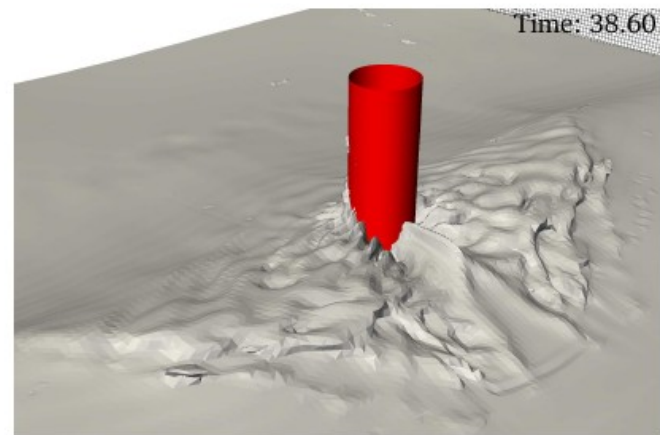


(b) Measured and computed force on the cylinder in the y -direction

Detailed study on uni- and bi-directional wave group impacts



(c) Unidirectional: The wave passage



(d) Bi-directional: The wave passage

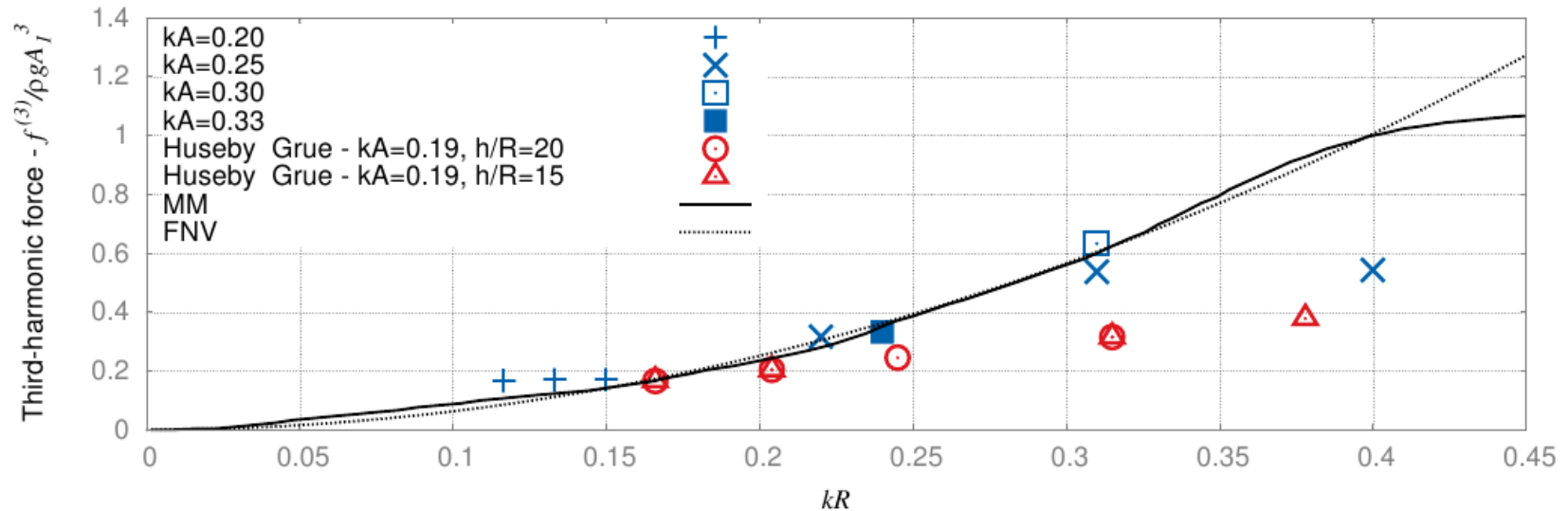
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Detailed study of regular wave forcing and higher-harmonic components



Third-harmonic force compared to FNV theory

Paulsen et al
IWWF 2012

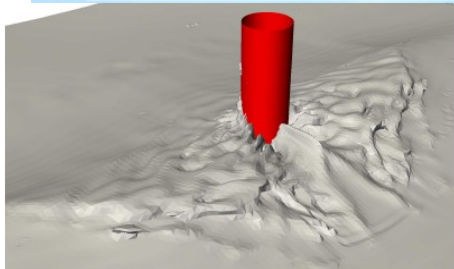
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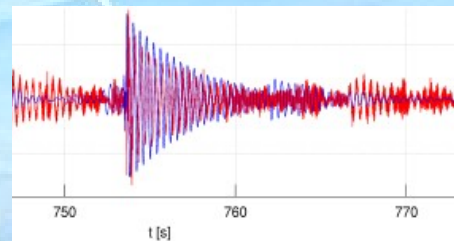
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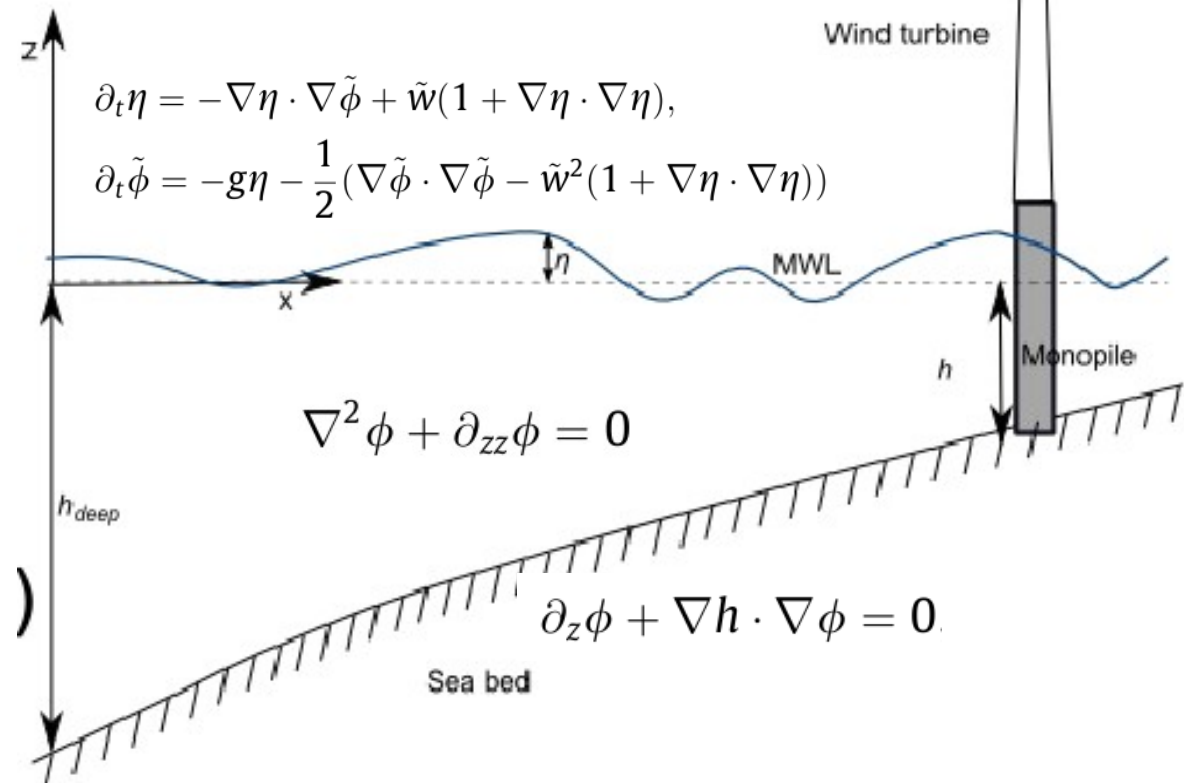
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Kinematics from a fully nonlinear potential flow solver

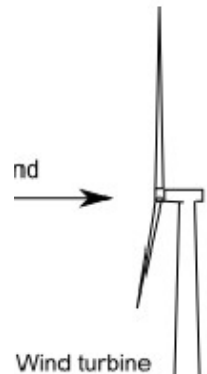
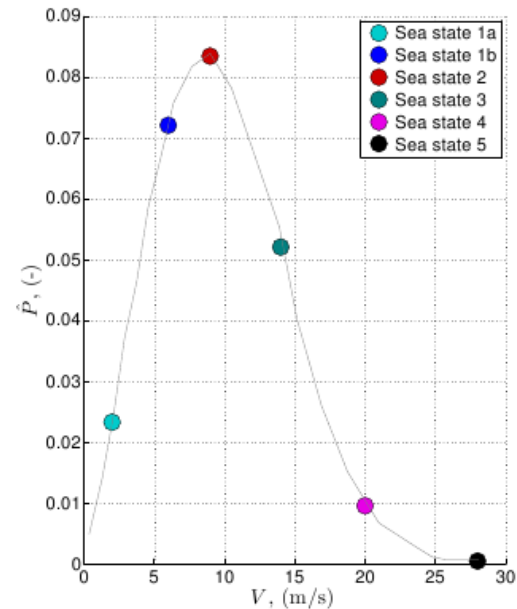
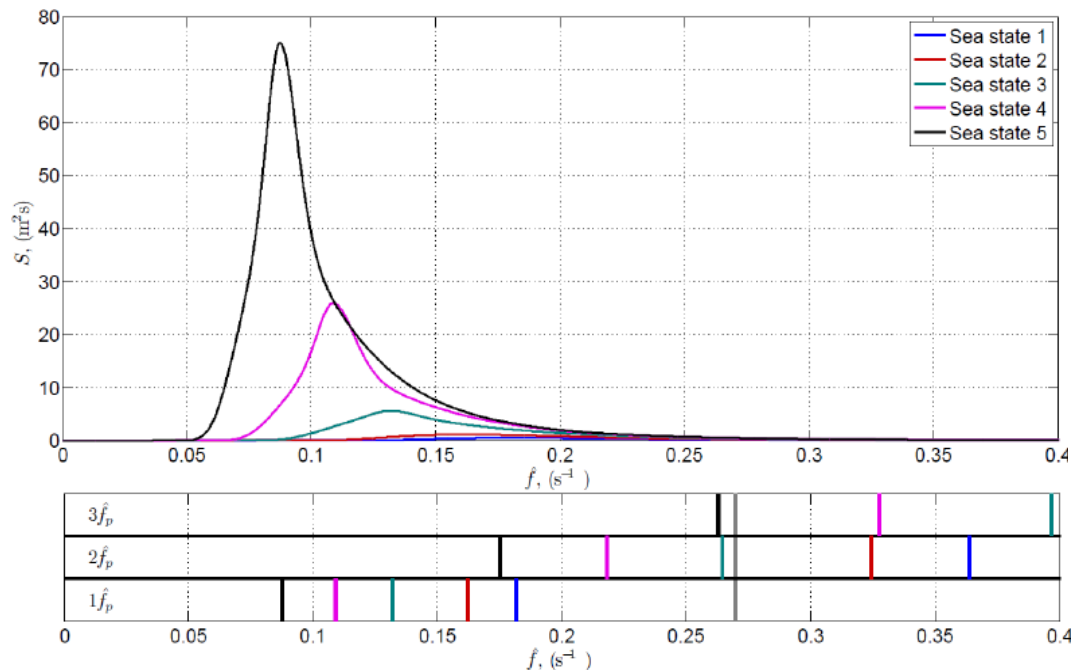
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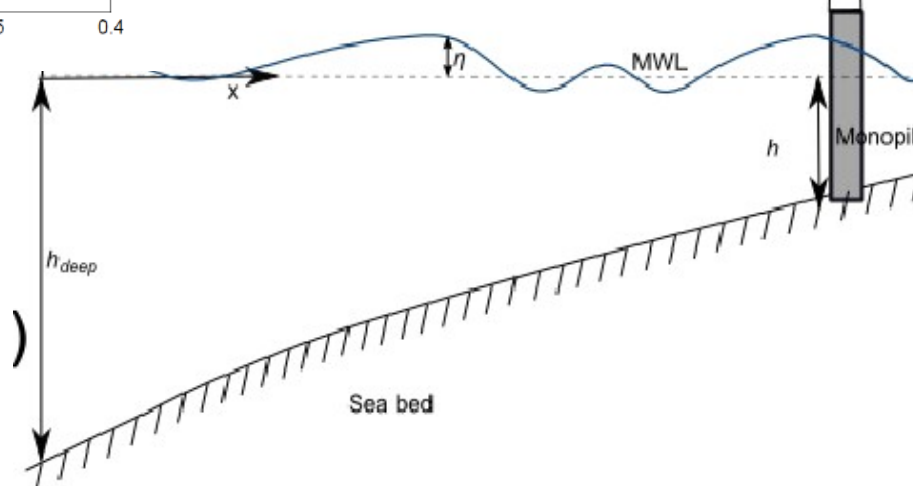


Study of nonlinear wave load effects

Response calculations with Flex5 aero-elastic model, NREL 5MW turbine



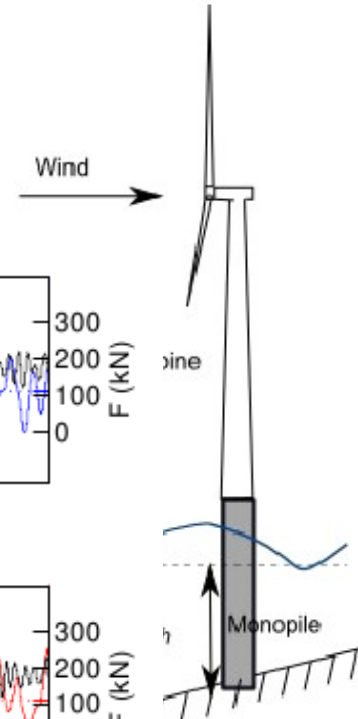
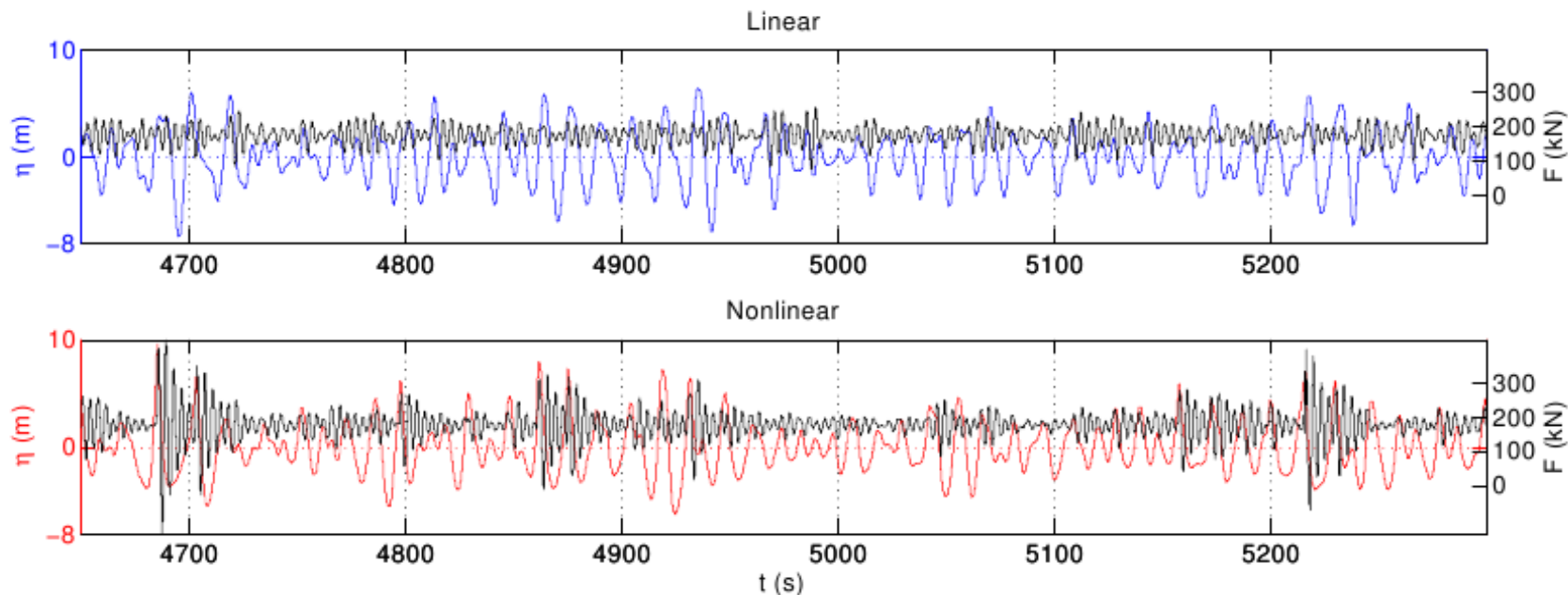
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Response in bottom of tower

Fully nonlinear waves versus linear waves

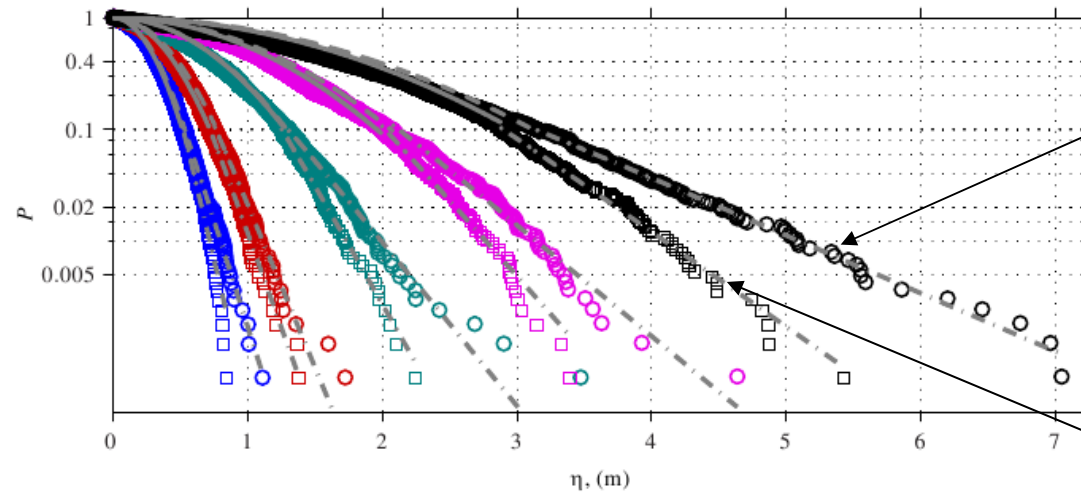
$$H_s = 9.4 \text{ m}, T_p = 14.2 \text{ s}, W = 5 \text{ m/s}$$



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Static load analysis, $h=30\text{m}$

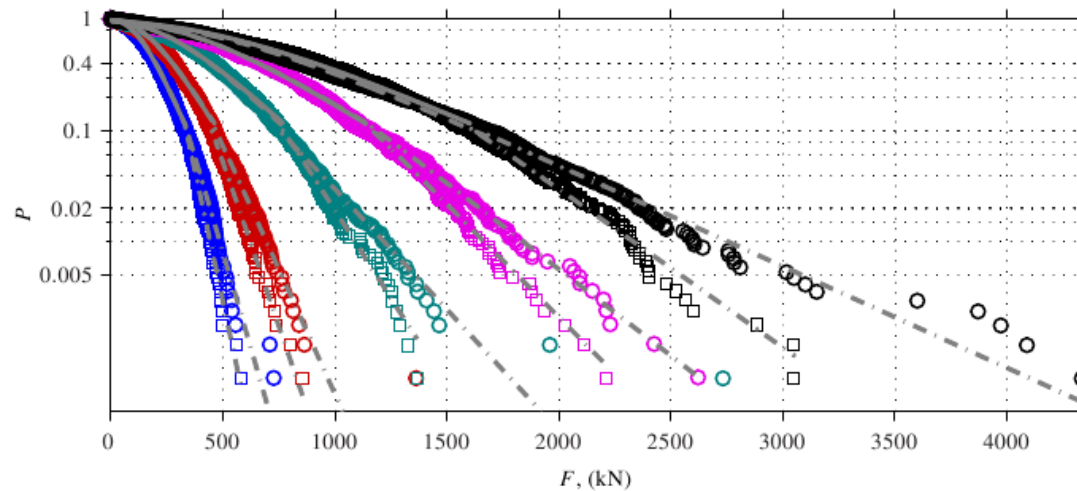
crest elevations



nonlinear

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Results of aero-elastic computations

Tower response - largest sea state

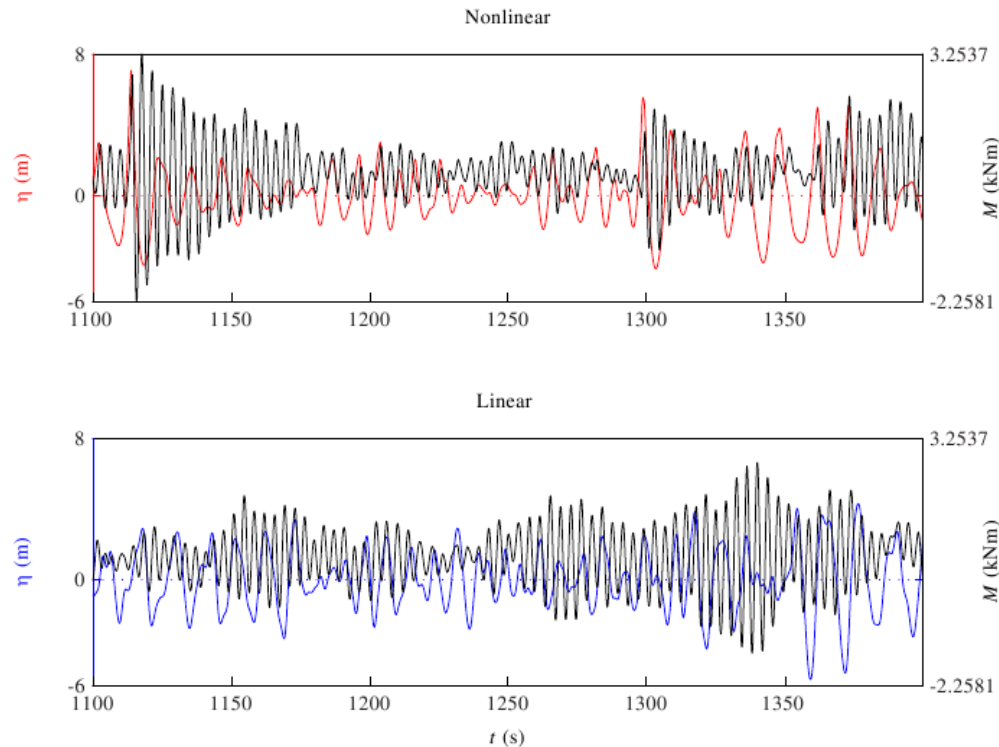


Figure 44: Nonlinear and linear surface elevation for the largest sea state and the corresponding moment in the bottom of the tower, $H_s = 6.76$ m, $T_p = 11.41$ s, $V = 28$ m/s and $I_t = 0.13$

Linear waves can also excite the tower

Results of aero-elastic computations

Monopile response - largest sea state

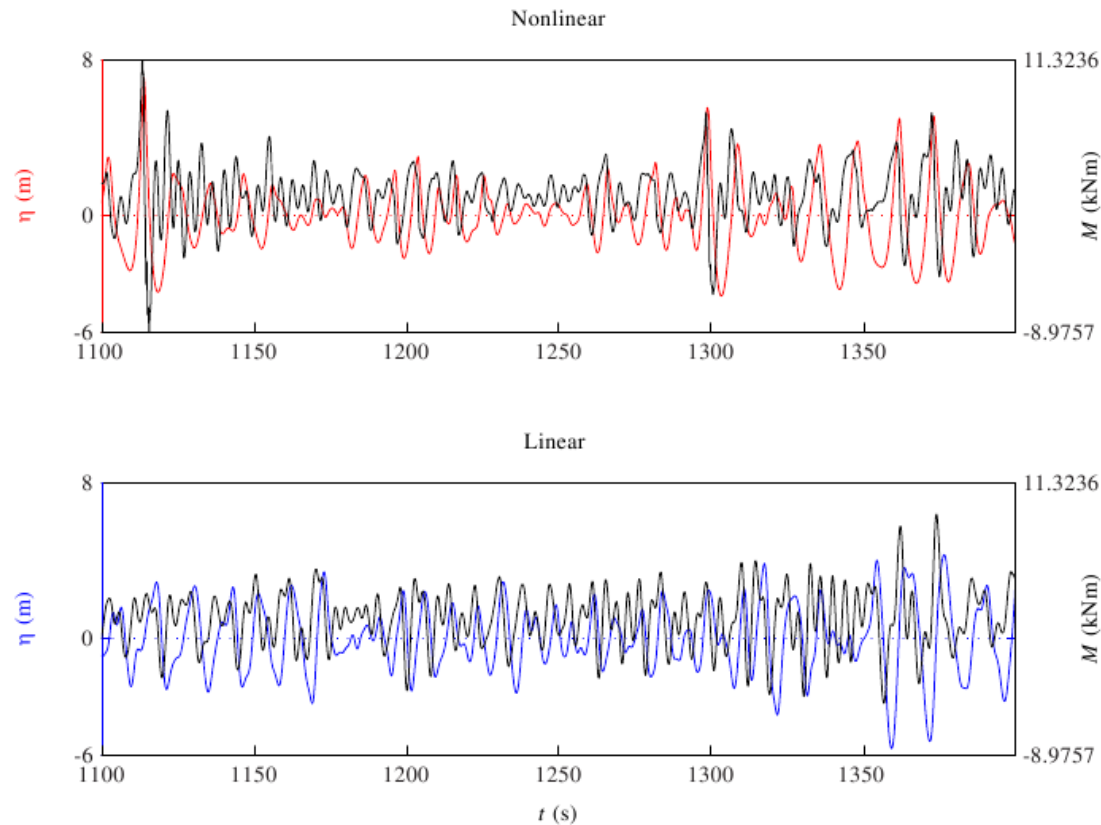


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Vibrations less visible – occur on top of the wave loads

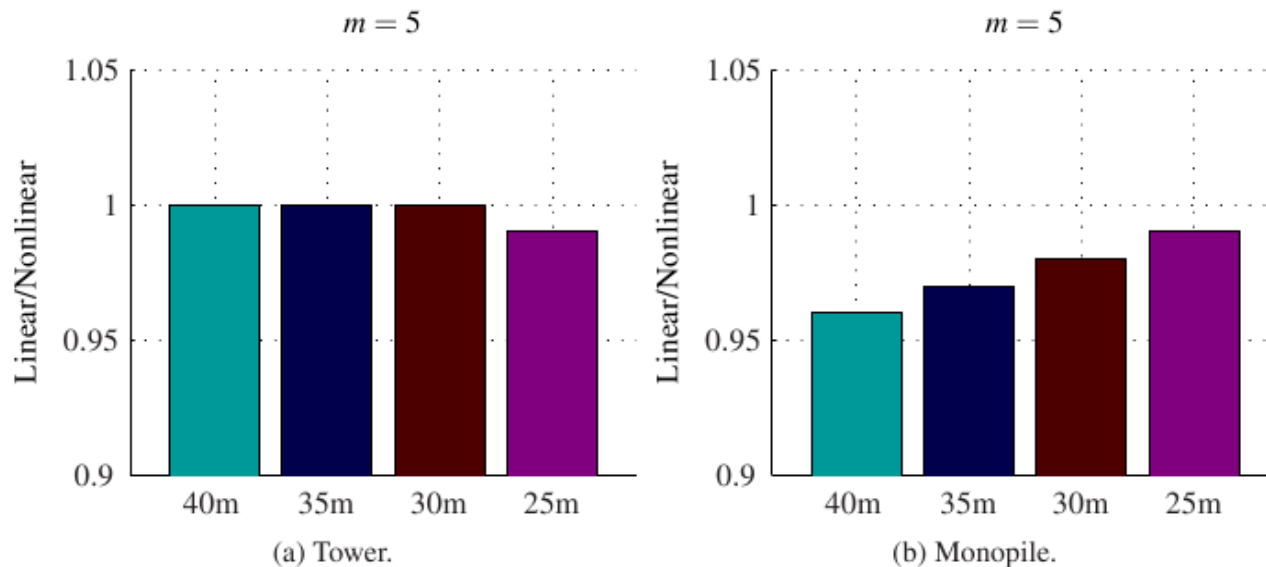
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Conclusion of present study:

Wave nonlinearity not critical for fatigue loads.

But 4% in equivalent load corresponds to 18% in damage

More investigations with more sea states included needed

Inclusion of diffraction needed

Nonlinearity seems more important for ULS than for FLS



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More results...

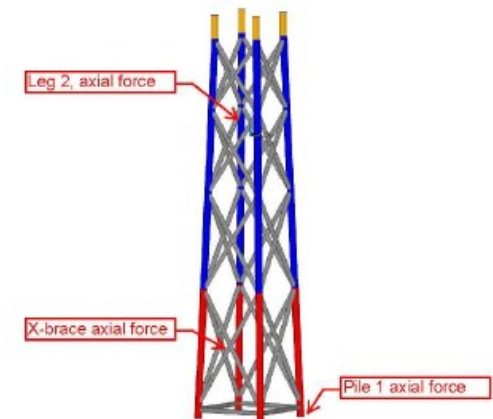
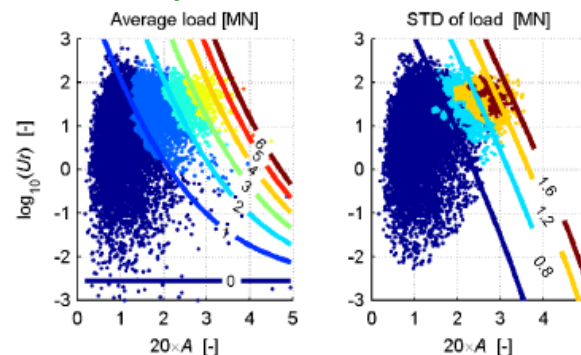
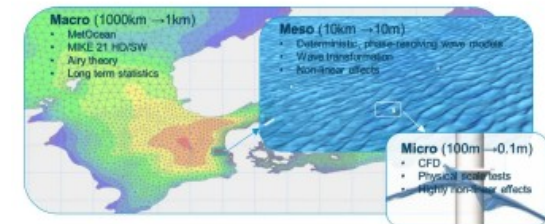
Second-order transfer functions for Mike21 Boussinesq model

Soil model for monopiles with frictional effect

Misalignment study

Superelement for jackets

Probabilistic model for wave impact loads



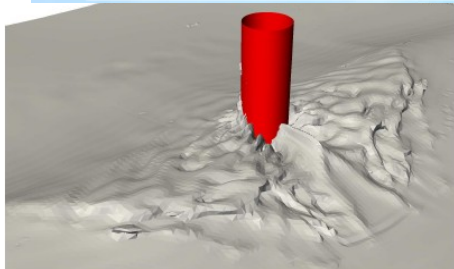
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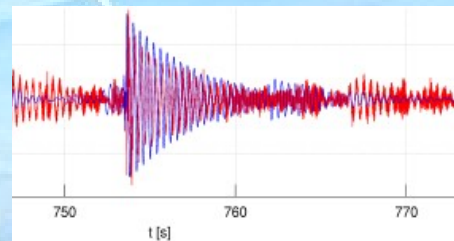
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3D generation

Generation at
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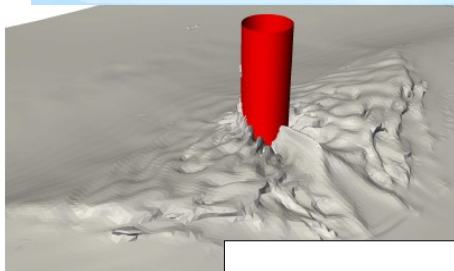
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Wave breaking

Validated force model

Uncertainty quantification



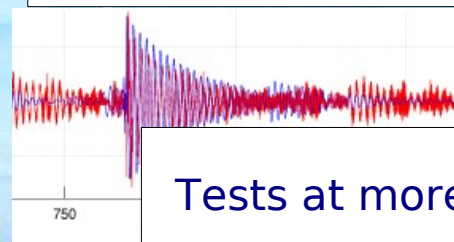
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Viscous boundary
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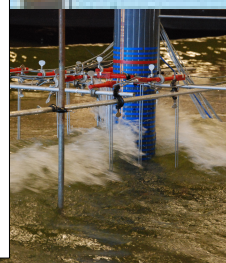


Tests at more slopes

Detailed force/kinematics
measurements

3D tests

Secondary structures



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