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# Development of a parametric model for analysing temperature effects of solar radiation on yachts

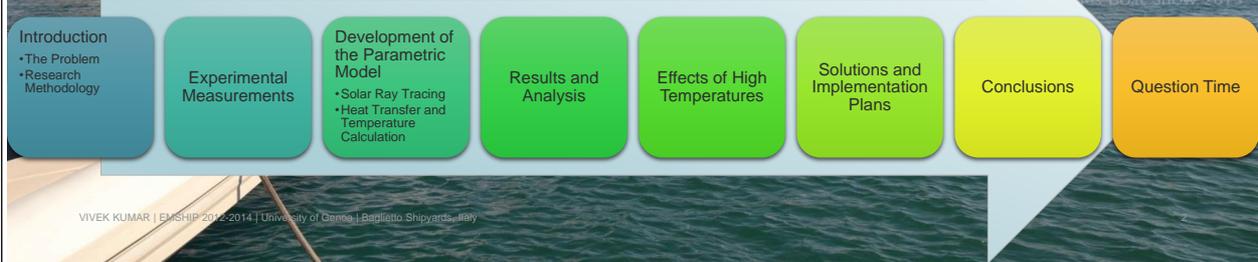
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*The perfection of a yacht's beauty is that  
nothing should be there for only beauty's sake.*

*John MacGregor, Scottish explorer and designer of the first modern sailing canoes*



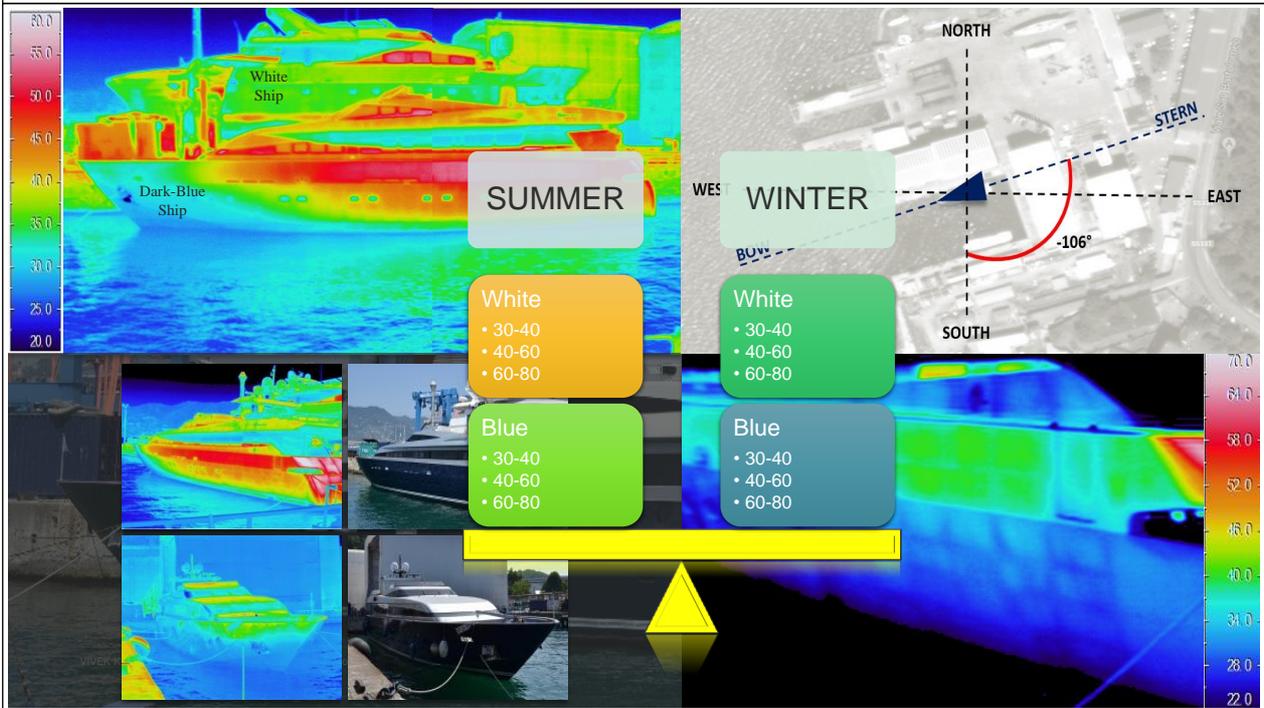
# INTRODUCTION

- Why is a yacht typically white ?

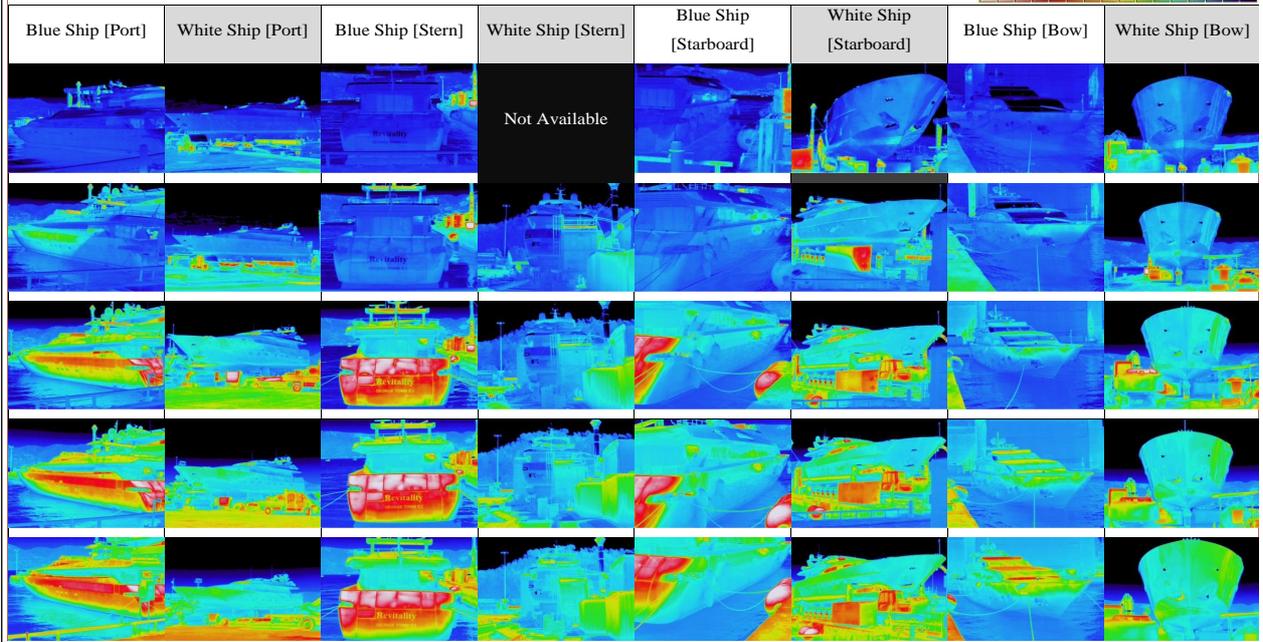
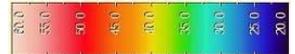
What factors produce temperature gradients ?

- The colour of the hull paint
- The intensity of solar radiation
- The effects of shading from the sun
- The temperatures of the surrounding water and air
- The temperature of air and liquids within the ship
- The effects of wind and waves in dissipating heat
- Extremely high temperatures of the welding process during fabrication

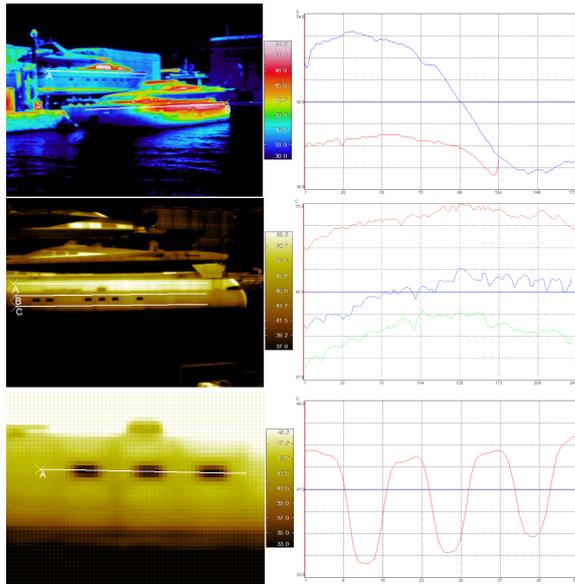
- Cheaper
- Forgives Imperfections
- Does not excessively glitter and reflect
- Dark surfaces show more dirt and splashes
- Doesn't fade so fast
- Pseudo-standard
- MUCH COOLER** under solar radiation



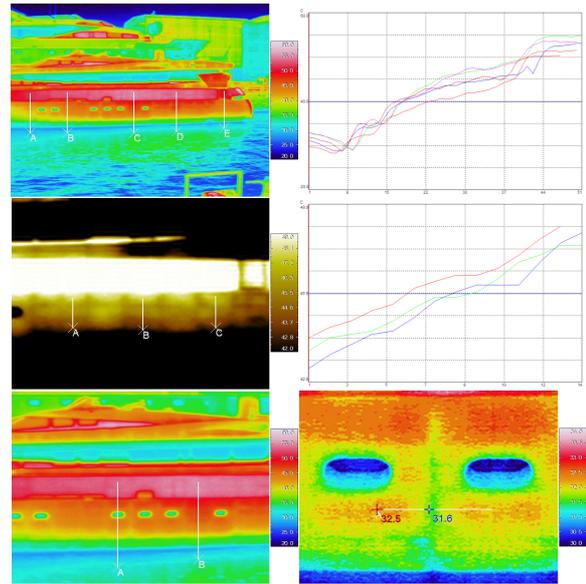
# MEASUREMENTS – Temperature Variation

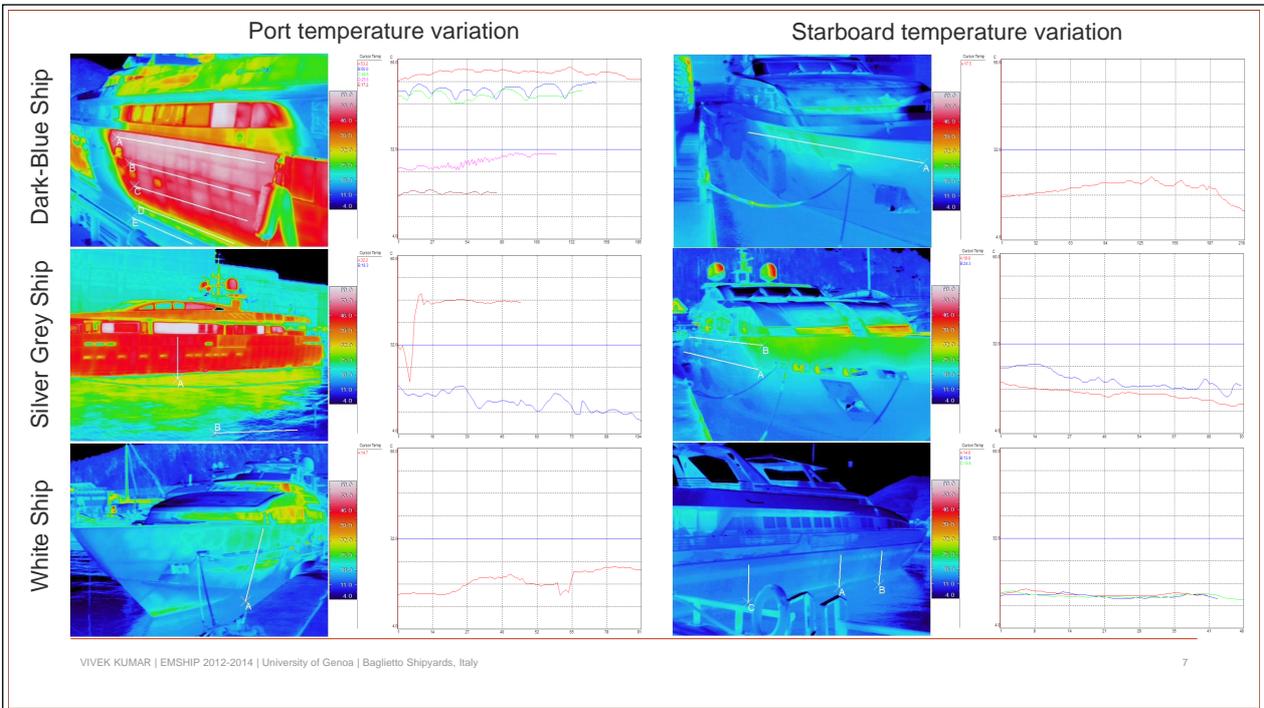


Longitudinal temperature variation

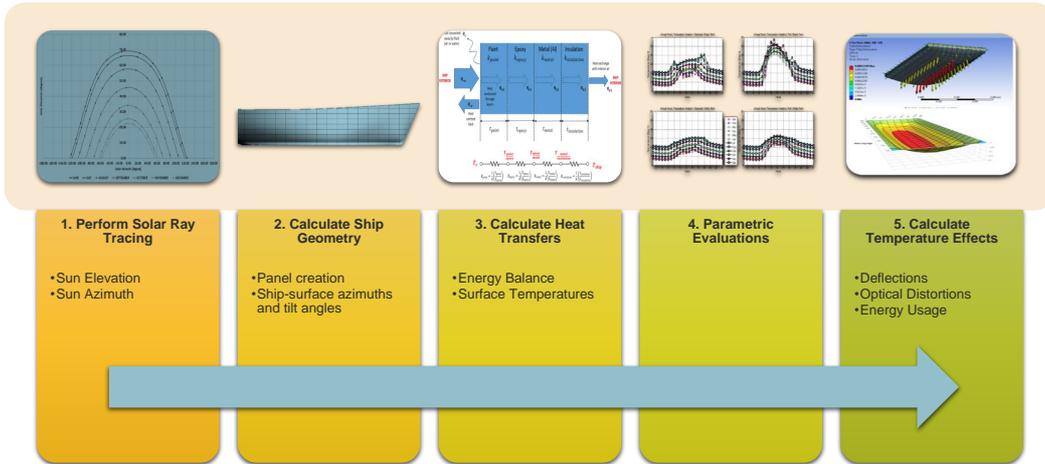


Vertical temperature variation



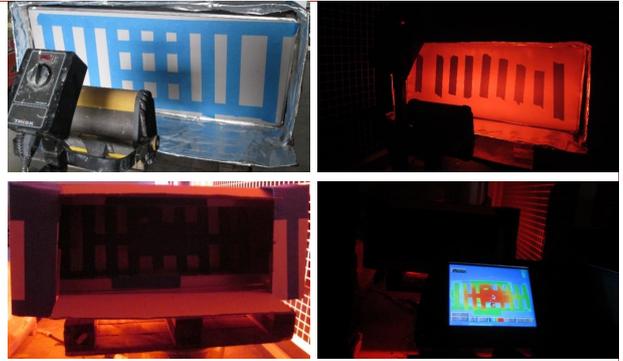


## DEVELOPMENT OF THE PARAMETRIC MODEL



# Experimental Setup

Part	Dimensions
Plate	1000mm x 400mm
Epoxy Layer	Test-1 : 10mm / Test-2 : 20mm
Aluminium 5083 H111 Layer	5mm
Transverse Frames	200mm x 5mm (Web)
Longitudinal Stringer	60mm x 4mm (Web), 60mm x 4mm (Flange)
Lamp	Halogen Lamp capable of 450°C, fixed 500mm from the plate for simulating temperature of 65°C (corresponding to black colour)

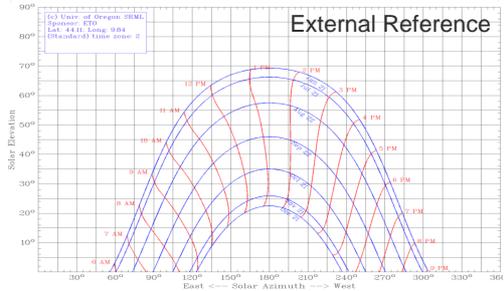
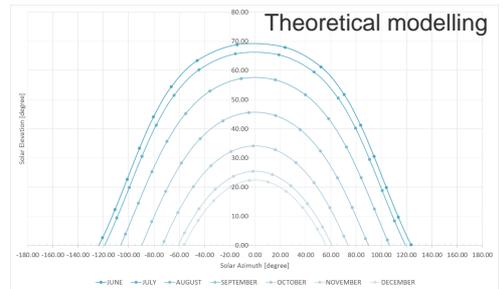
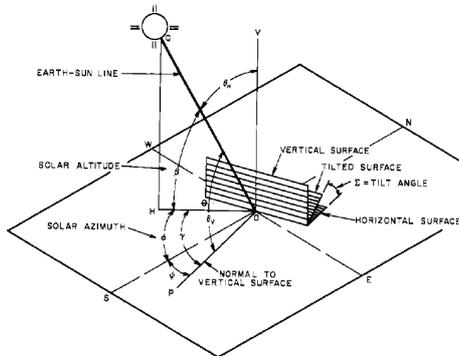


Panel Front Side (above) Back side (below)

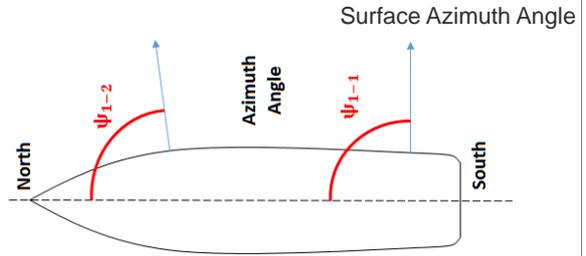
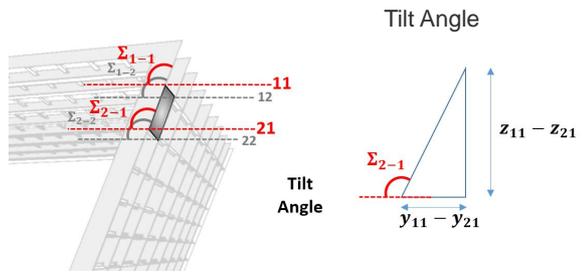
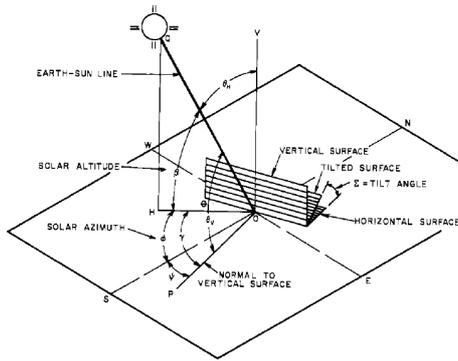


# 1. Solar Ray Tracing

1. Selection of the ASHRAE model
  1. Practical to use
  2. Available data
  3. Well-established methods

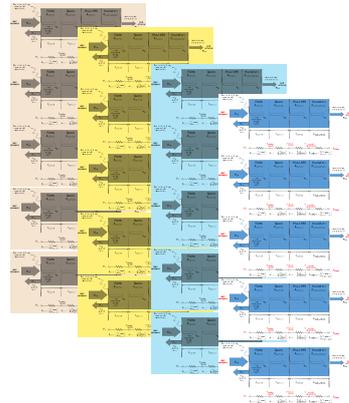
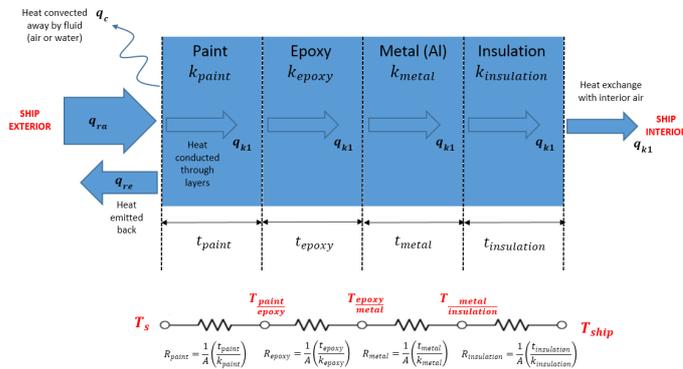


## 2. Ship Geometry



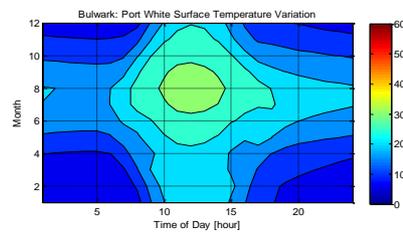
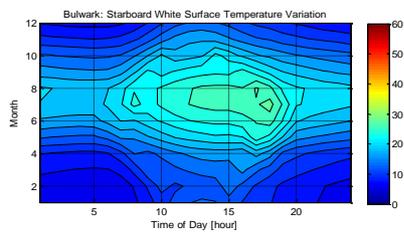
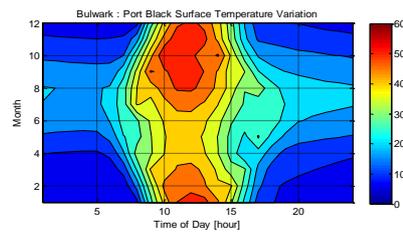
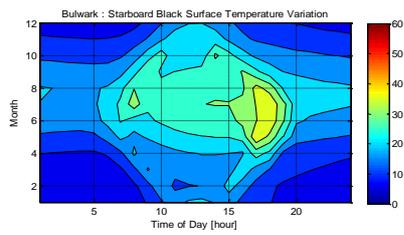
## 3. Heat Transfers

$$T_s^4 (\epsilon \sigma A) + T_s \left( h_c A + \frac{1}{h_s - h_w} + \frac{1}{R_{\text{overall}}} \right) - \left( \epsilon \sigma A T_{\text{sky}}^4 + h_c A T_\infty + \frac{T_{\text{ship}}}{R_{\text{overall}}} + \frac{T_w}{h_s - h_w} \right) = 0$$

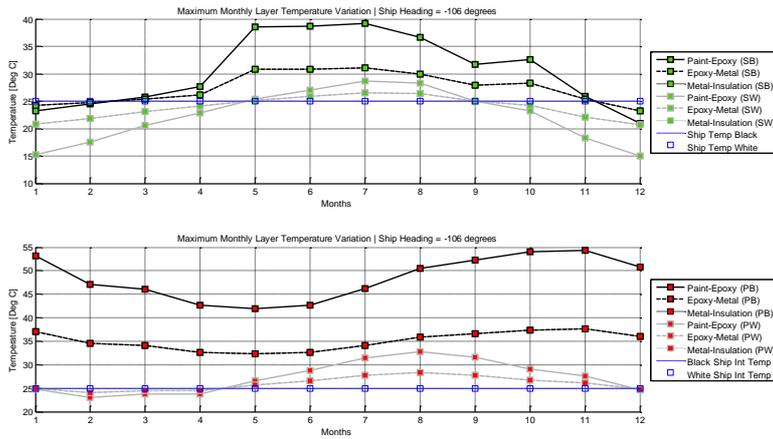


# Parametric Analysis

## Heat Transfers

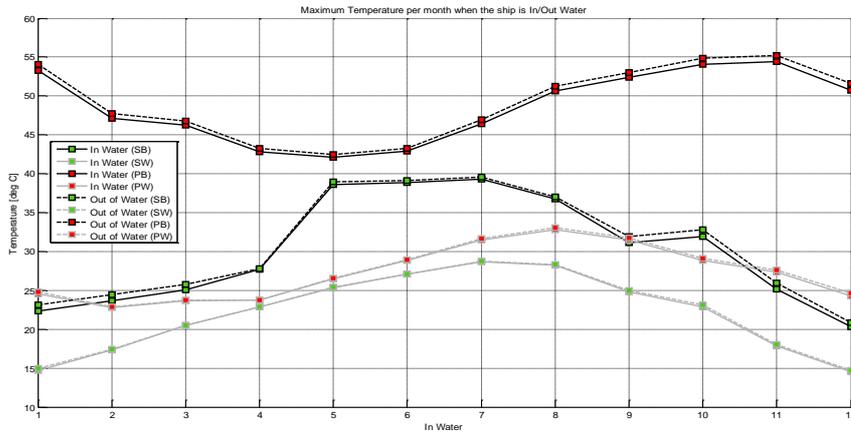


# Effect of Paint Colour

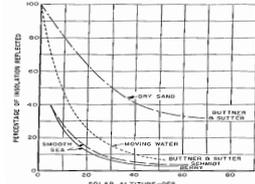
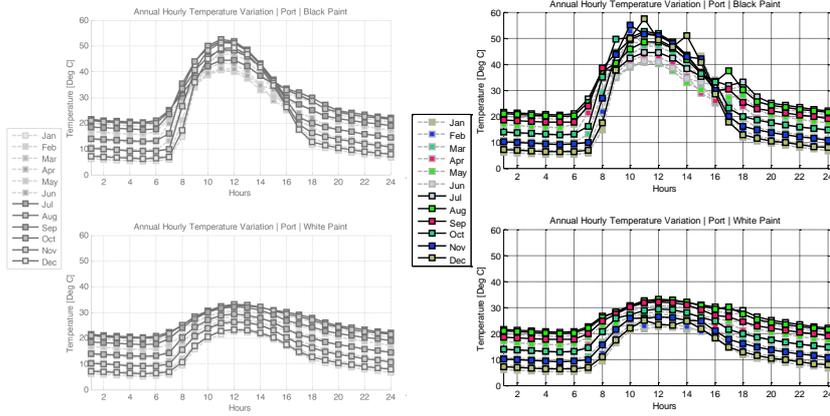


Surface Colour	Fraction of Incident Radiation Absorbed
White smooth surfaces	0.25 - 0.40
Grey to dark grey	0.40 - 0.50
Green, red and brown	0.50 - 0.70
Dark brown to blue	0.70 - 0.80
Dark blue to black	0.80 - 0.90

# Ship berthed on land and water



# Effect of Sun Elevation

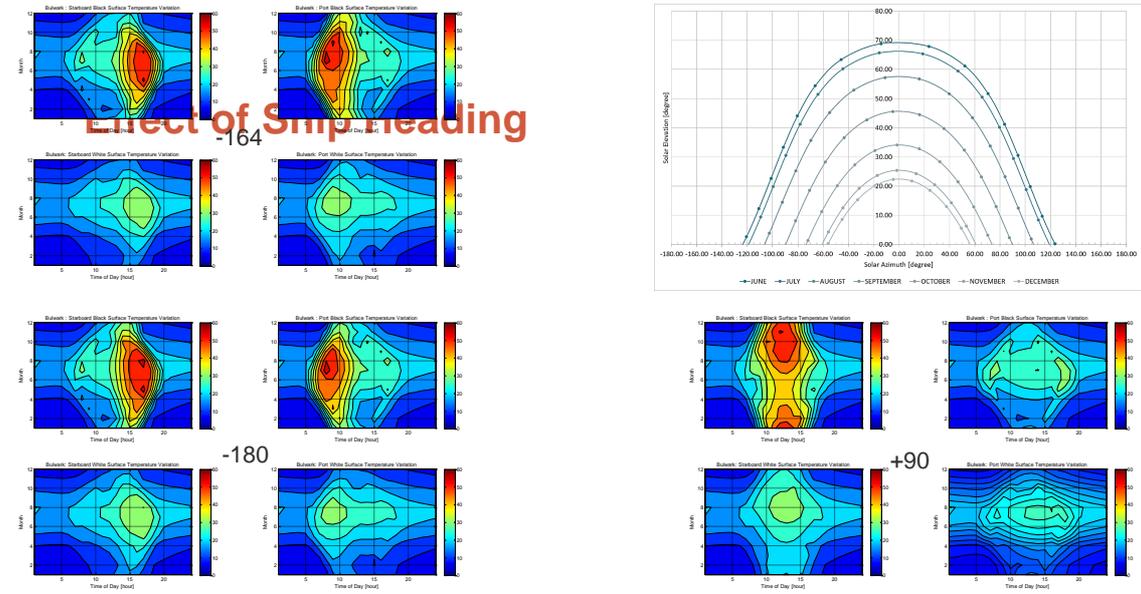


Effect of the incidence angle on the reflectivity of water (Hechtman, 1956)

Foreground Surface	Reflectance
Water (large angle of incidences)	0.07
Coniferous forest (winter)	0.07
Bituminous and gravel roof	0.13
Dry bare ground	0.2
Weathered concrete	0.22
Green grass	0.26
Dry grassland	0.2 to 0.3
Desert sand	0.4
Light building surfaces	0.5
Snow-covered surfaces:	
Typical city centre	0.2
Typical urban site	0.4
Typical rural site	0.5
Isolated rural site	0.7

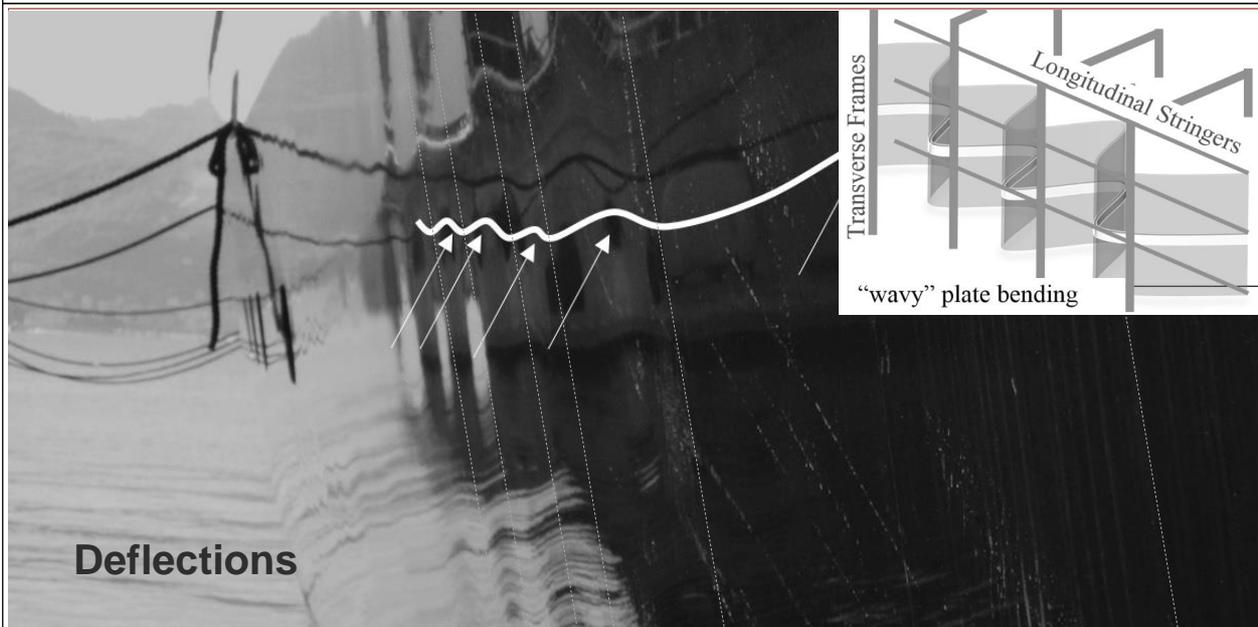
Ground reflectance values of typical surfaces (ASHRAE,2009)

# Effect of Smp Reading



## Effects of High Temperatures

- Hull Deformations
- Optical Distortion Effects
- Hull Coating Defects
- Increased Cooling Loads
- Internal Hull Surface Condensation
- Thermal Comfort



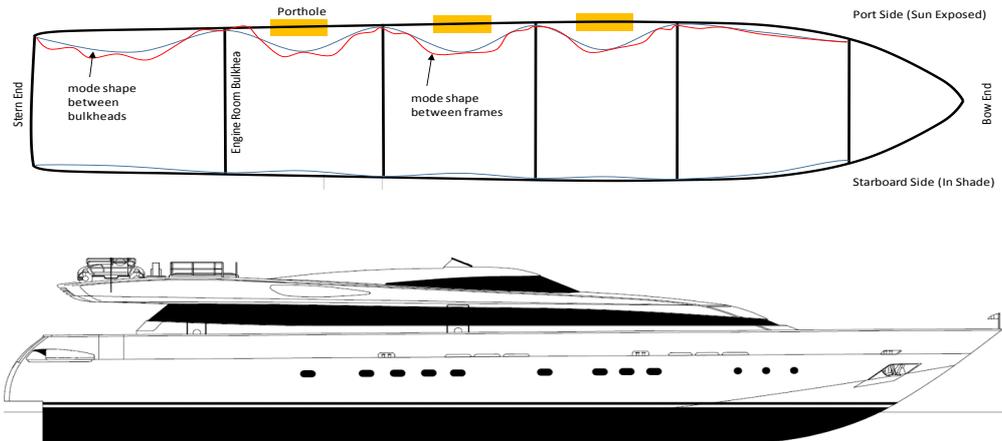
## Deflections

# DEFLECTIONS

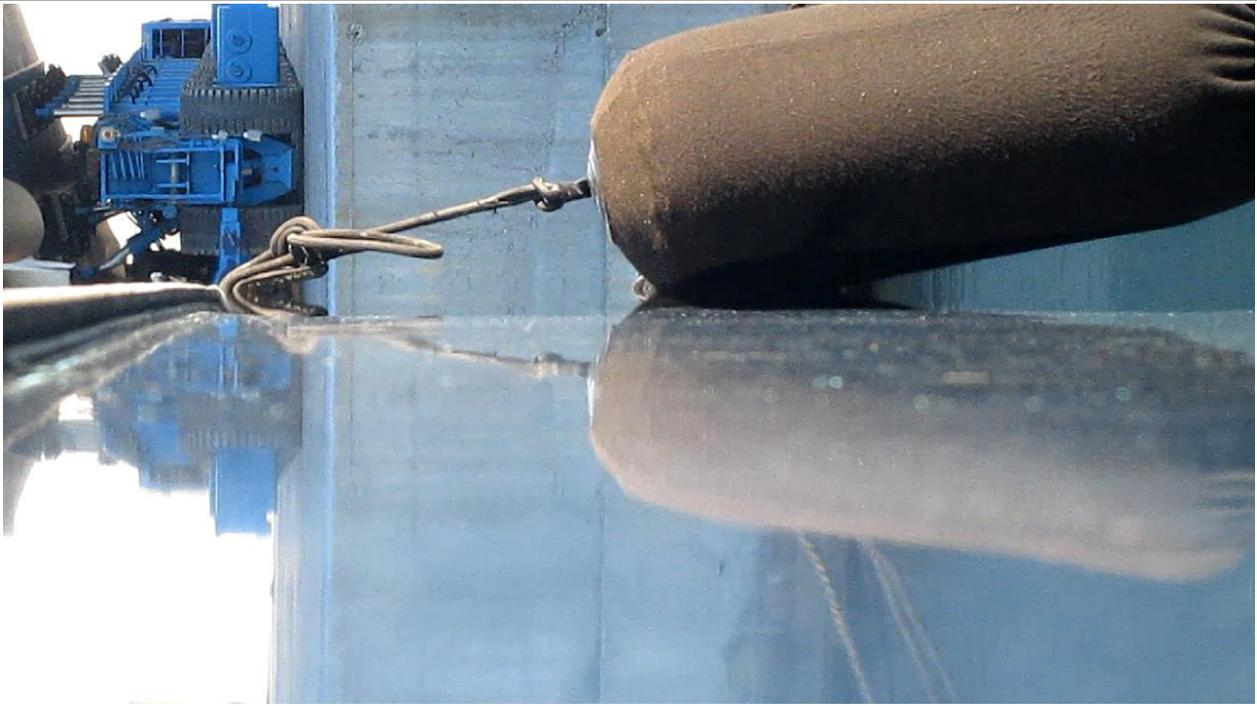
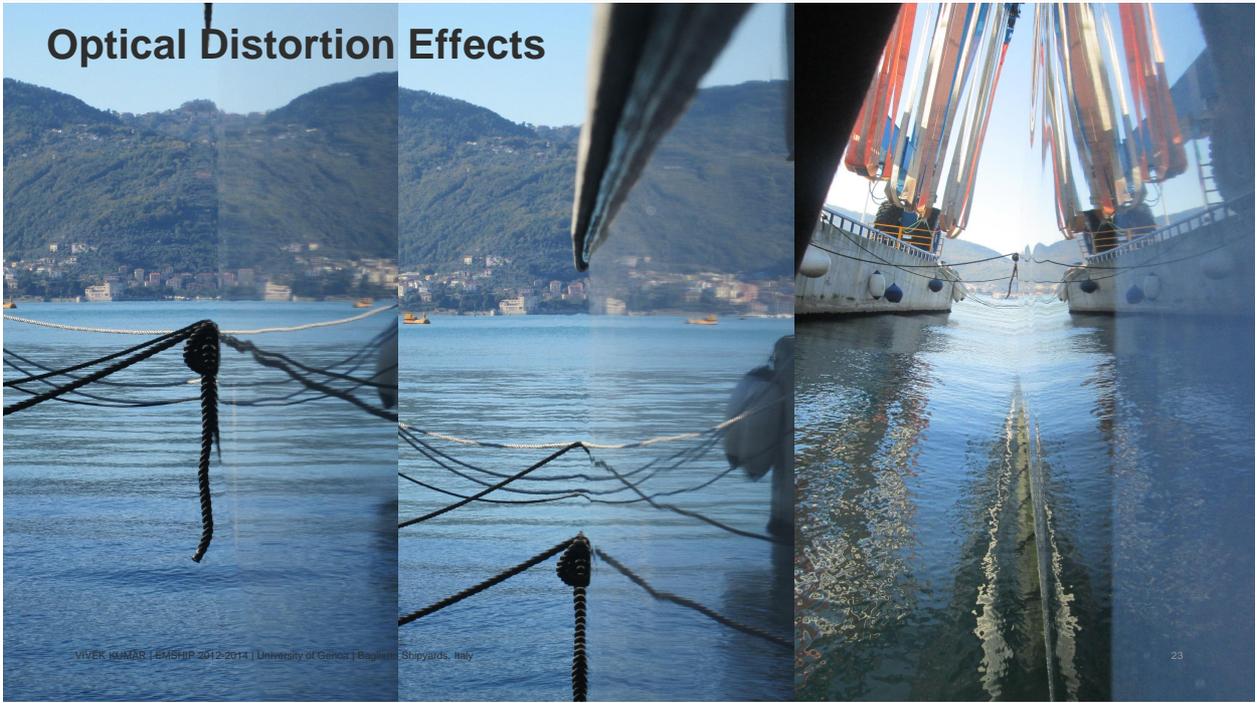


Section of ship	Plate Zone	Max [mm]	Avg. [mm]	Remarks
Aft	Bulwark	0.5	0	-
	Mid-plating	6	3	Bulge near engine room bulkhead
	Bottom-plating	2	2	-
Midships	Bulwark	1	0.5	-
	Mid-plating	5	2	4-6mm deflections near portholes
	Bottom-plating	3	2	-
Fore	Bulwark	0.5	0	-
	Mid-plating	2	1	Bow area under chine not measured
	Bottom-plating	1	0.5	-

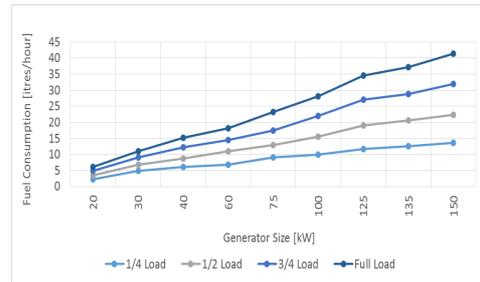
# Deformation Analysis



# Optical Distortion Effects



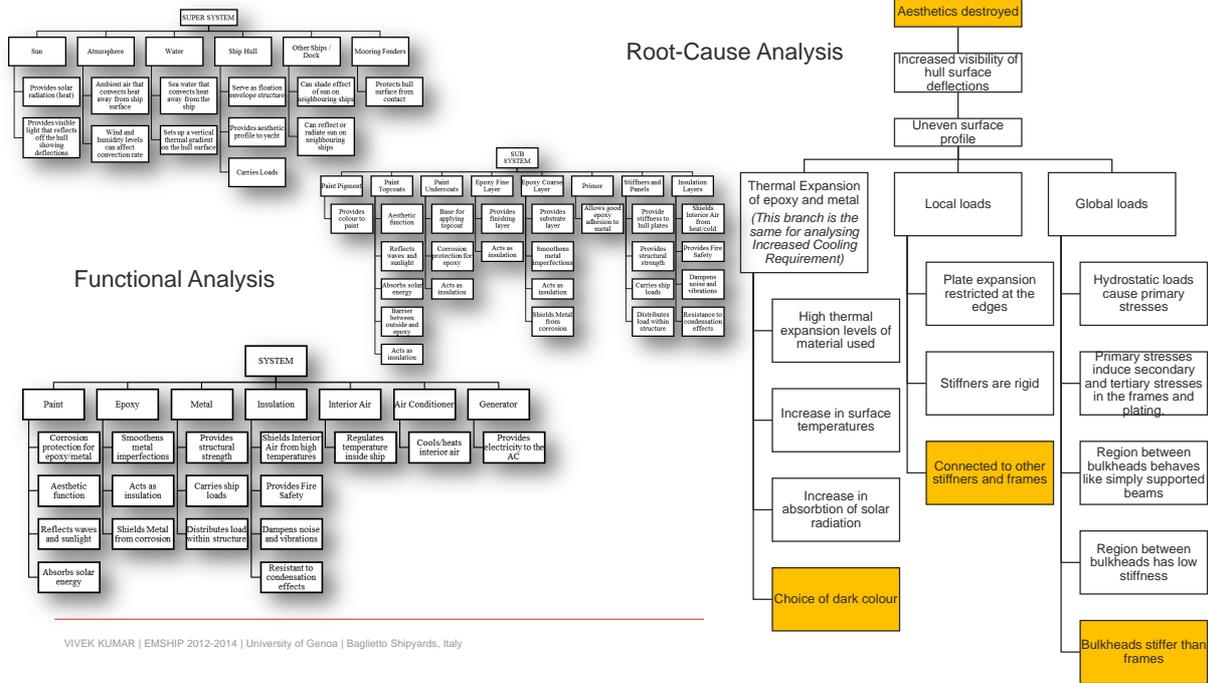
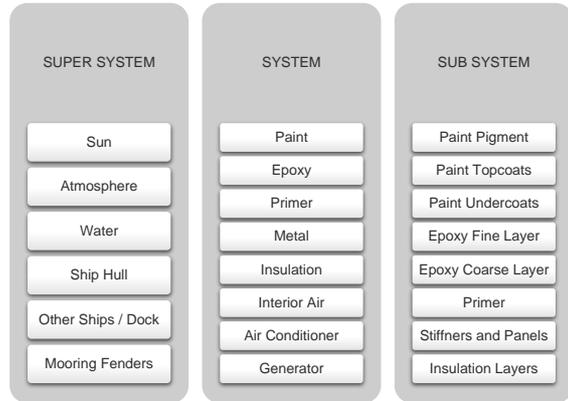
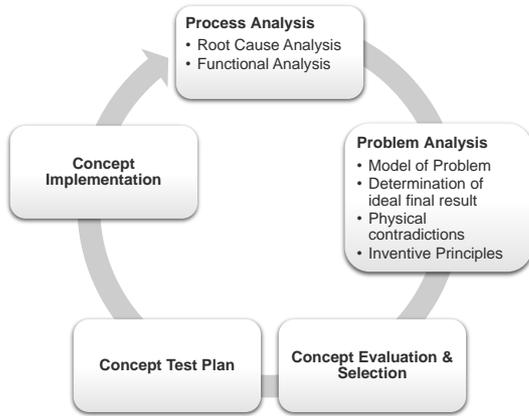
## Other Effects of Temperature



Fuel consumption variation with load  
(DieselService&Supply, 2014)

## Solutions and Implementations

# TRIZ (Theory of Inventive Problem Solving)



## Solutions for reducing high temperatures and deformations

Increase web height of frames and stiffeners in region between bulkheads

Reduce spacing between longitudinal stiffeners in region between bulkheads

Reduce porthole-hull area ratio

Low Solar Absorption (LSA) paints reflect IR light but not visible light

Use silver grey instead of dark grey (more reflective)

Climate Controlled Chambers

Vinyl Paints

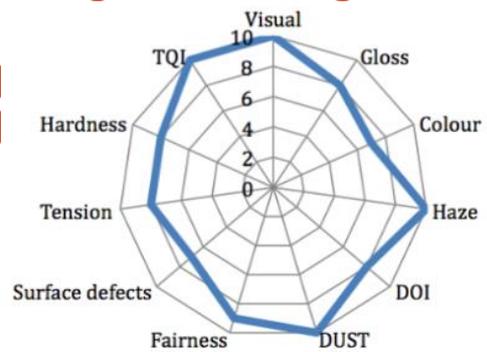
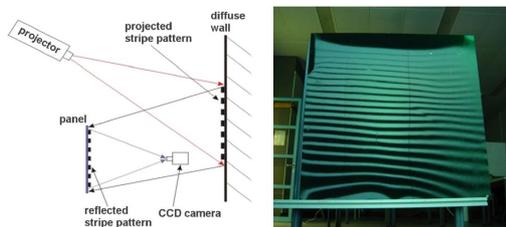
Remove yacht from water when not in use and/or store in covered garage

Align yacht with East-West direction so the sun hits only the bow or stern regions and not the hull directly.

## Solutions for improving/assessing hull coatings

Define 'beauty' objectively on a project-by-project basis

Defectometry



12-point appearance evaluation system ISO draft standard TC 8/ SC 12 and BIS 11347

## Solutions for improving Energy Efficiency

Benchmark similar ships of different colours (energy use / fuel consumed...)

Reduce porthole-hull area ratio

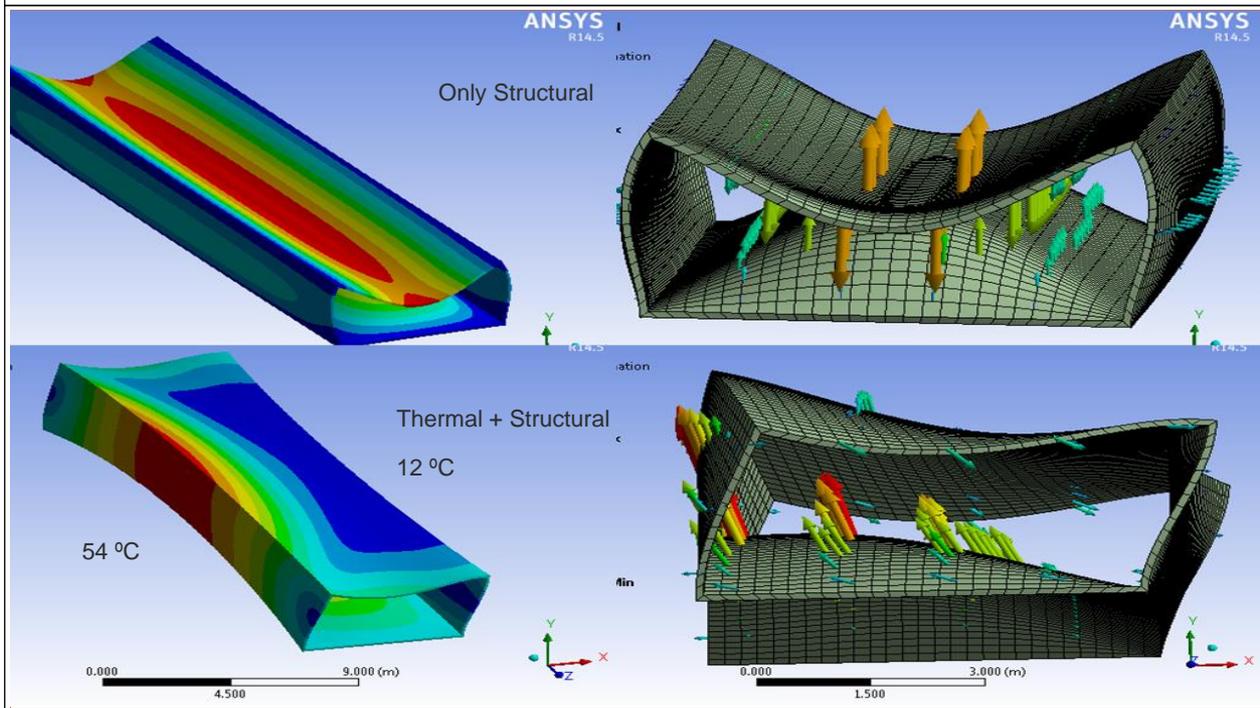
Optimum balance between air conditioner size and insulation thickness

Reuse waste heat energy from the engine

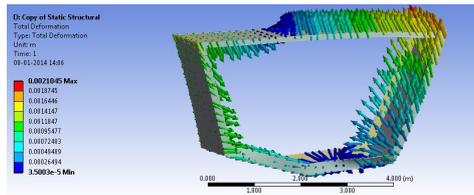
Update old electrical equipment and wiring systems

Separation of HVAC systems such that different areas of the ship are cooled differently

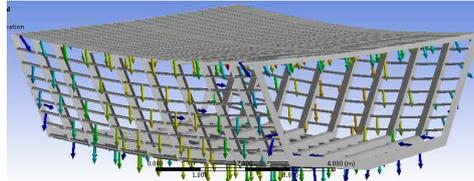
Minimize impact of heat generating devices by using heat shields



# Detailed FEM for Ship Scale Thermal-Structural Analysis

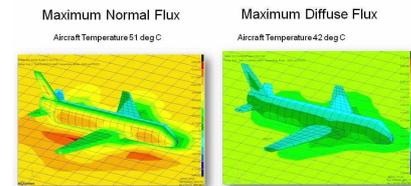


Temperature only deflections in a ship section

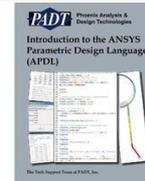


Structural only deflections in a ship section

## Aircraft on Concrete Runway 8 AM Maximum Normal vs Maximum Diffuse



MSC SINDA 2013 with the Environmental Module



## Conclusion

- From this project, temperature variations of any metallic hulled ship can be analysed, anywhere in the world.
- Colour plays the most important role in deciding surface temperatures, followed by material and stiffness of the structure for deciding structural responses
- Port and starboard are asymmetrically exposed to solar radiation with a thermal gradient from bulwark to waterline, and from bow to stern
- Complex nature of ship structures - *each part of the structure exercises some restraint or contraction on adjacent structures.*
- Thermal and structural stresses interact, with material properties changing with temperature
- Yachts typically spend a majority of their time docked at the marina

# Questions ?

