



*Presentation for
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Hydrodynamic Analysis of a Heavy Lift Vessel during Offshore Installation Operations



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General Information

Assumption

- Potential flow theory
- Airy wave
- With / without additional viscous damping
- As engineering supports

Implementation method

- Numerical simulations

Verification

- By testing cases
 - Comparing with existing database/ other software
 - Comparing with data from published paper

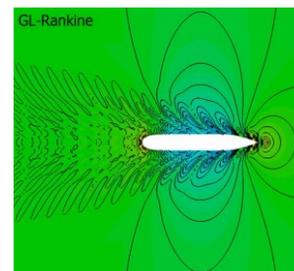
I. Comparison on Seakeeping Codes

Seakeeping methods in Comparisons:

- ✓ Rankine Source Method
- ✓ Approximate Forward Speed (AFS) Method
- ✓ 2-D Strip Method

Related Software:

- GL-Rankine: 3-D source distribution. i.e. →
- DNV/Wasim: 3-D source distribution
- Octopus: 2-D strip method

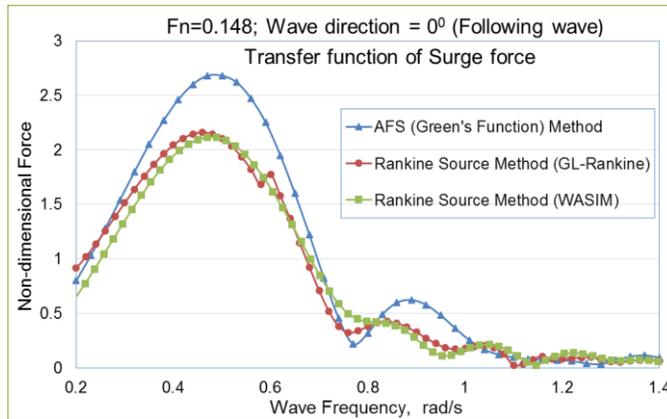
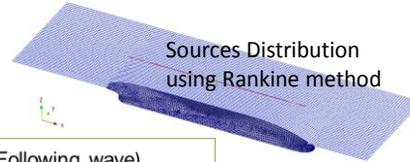


Wave Pattern
(Rankine Source Method)

I. Comparison on Seakeeping Codes

1. Rankine Source Method vs. AFS Method

- ✓ Selected case: $F_n=0.148$
- ✓ No viscosity



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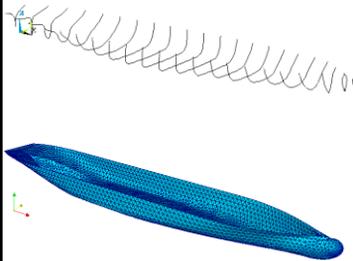
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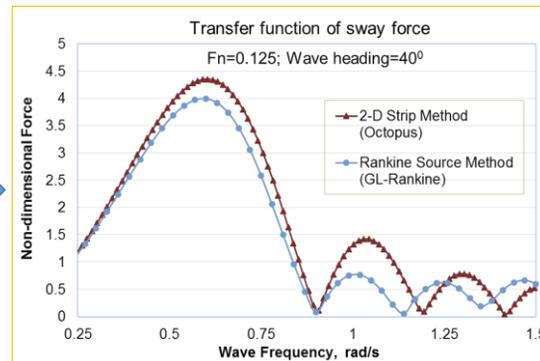
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2. Rankine Source Method vs. 2-D Strip Method

- ✓ Selected case: $F_n=0.125$
- ✓ No viscosity



2-D strips vs. 3-D panels



Transfer functions
(using different methods)



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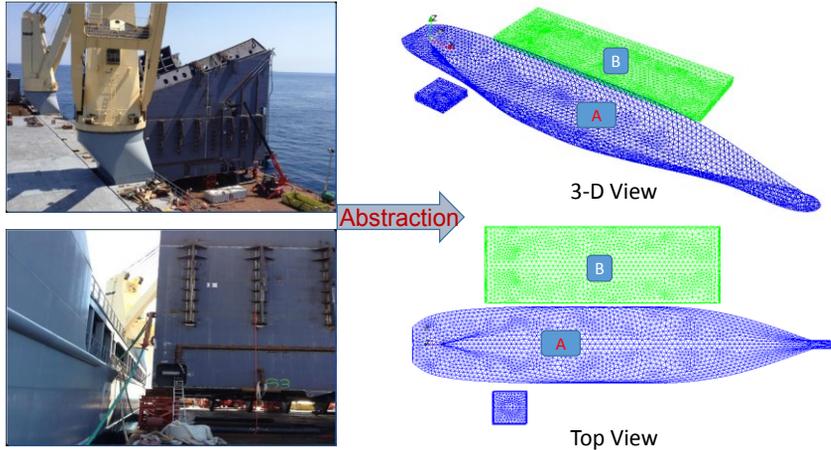
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II. Case Study: Multi-body interaction

Studied case: Heavy Lift Vessel (HLV) + Transport Barge

- ✓ Frequency-domain analysis
- ✓ Free-free interaction
- ✓ Additional roll damping ratio
- ✓ 'Shallow' water



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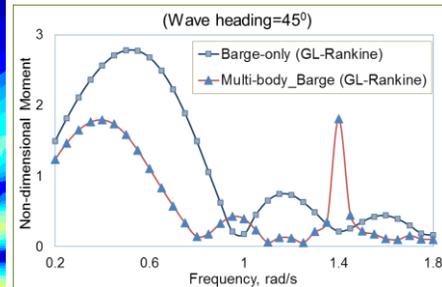
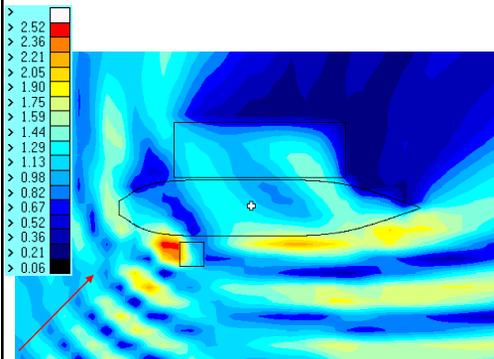
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Barge: Transfer Function of Roll moment
(Single body vs. Multi-body case)



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Discussion aspects:

- Asymmetric structure → ✓ Products of inertia matrix:
For HLV: Main hull+ Pontoon $I_{xy}, I_{yx}; I_{xz}, I_{zx}; I_{yz}, I_{zy};$
- Irregular frequency → ✓ Standing waves inside the body
'Noisy' transfer function Internal boundary with sources distribution



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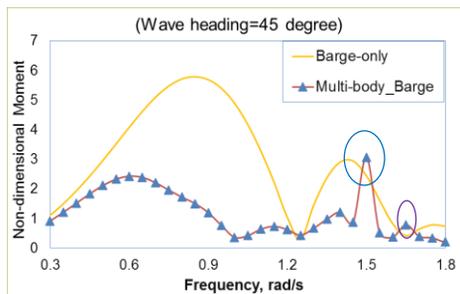
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Discussion aspects:

- Resonance Trapped Waves In the gap → Resonant motions: 3 modes

- ✓ Piston mode motion
- ✓ Longitudinal sloshing mode
- ✓ Transverse sloshing mode



Estimation (methods in DNV rules):
 $\omega_n = 1.46 \text{ rad/s}$ (Piston mode)

Barge: Transfer function of yaw moment
(single body vs. multi-body case)



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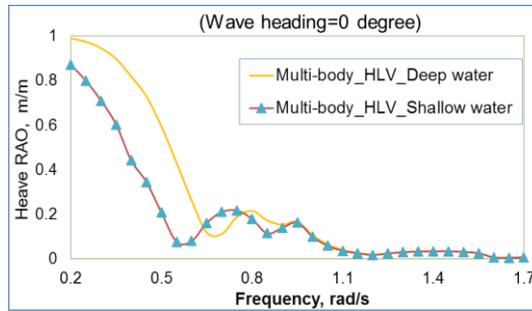


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Discussion aspects:

- Limited water depth → D/λ



HLV: Heave RAO under different water depths
($D_{\text{shallow}} = 20$ m vs. $D_{\text{deep}} = 1000$ m)

III. Case Study: Offshore lifting

Different phases of a typical subsea lift

- Phase I: lift off / object clear of transportation vessel.
- Phase II: lowering through the wave zone.
- Phase III: further lowering down to sea bed.
- Phase IV: positioning and landing

Simulation tool: Orcaflex

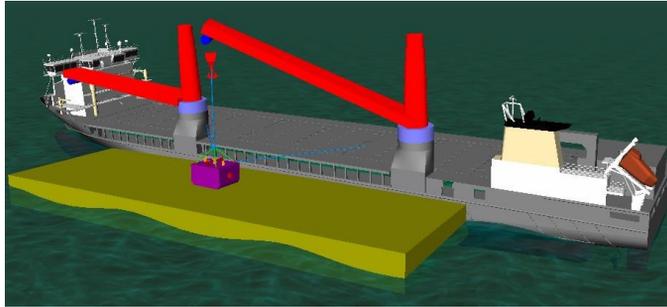
Settings

- In time domain, in limited water depth
- RAOs of vessels imported
- Rigid crane
- No heave compensating assumed

III. Case Study: Offshore lifting

Case I: Lift-off simulation

- ✓ Regular waves
- ✓ Multi-body: HLV + Barge
- ✓ Motion constraints



Models in Orcaflex (whole model)



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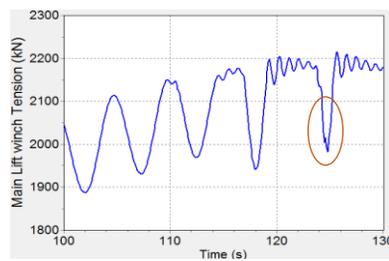


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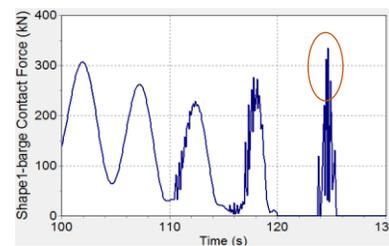
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i.e. $U=0.02$ m/s, Wave direction=195 degree, $H=0.75$ m/s, $T_z=5.25$ s

Crane Wire
Tensions



Contact Forces
on Barge



→ Re-hit happens



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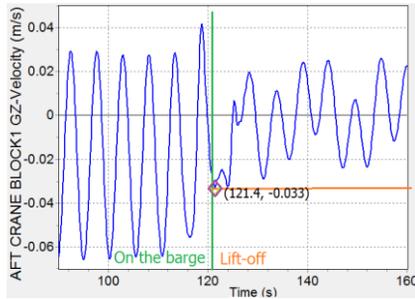
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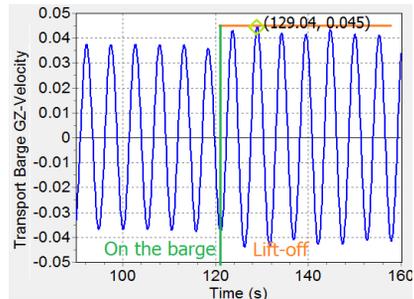
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Vertical velocity of crane tip



Vertical velocity of transport barge

Max. negative velocity | Max. positive velocity

Fast estimation:

$$\text{Lifting speed } U = 0.033 + 0.045 = 0.078 \text{ m/s}$$

Conservative



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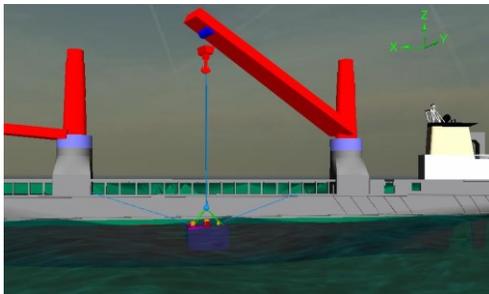
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III. Case Study: Offshore lifting

Case II: Lowering Through the Splash Zone

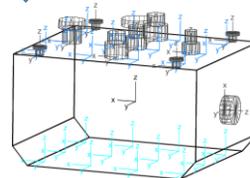
- ✓ Irregular waves
- ✓ Single vessel: HLV
- ✓ Critical positions (Analyzed without lowering speed)



Models in Orcaflex

Lifted object:

- Weight and inertial loads.
- Buoyancy, added mass, damping and drag.
- Slam forces.



Cargo model



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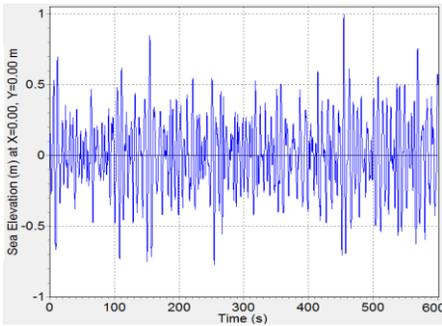
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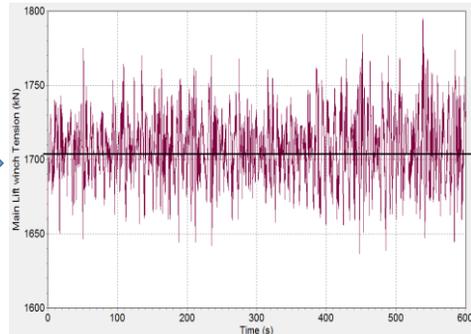
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Wave train
(Jonswap: $H_s = 1.0$ m; $T_p = 7.5$ s)



Rigging loads, fully submerged position
(wave heading = 165°)



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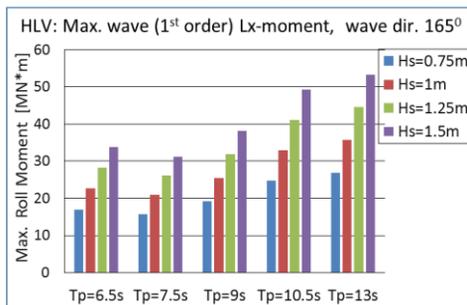
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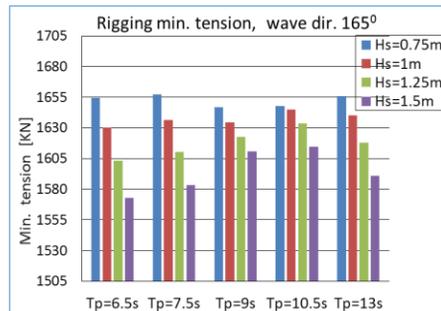
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- ✓ i.e. Fully submerged position



HLV: severe roll moments
(Wave heading = 165°)



Min. rigging tensions
(Wave heading = 165°)

→ Risk of snap forces (compression on wires):

Does dynamic tension fall below 10 % of F_{static} → No



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Key remarks

✓ Seakeeping ($F_n > 0$)

Comparing with Rankine source method:

- AFS method : workable estimation at low F_n
- 2-D strip method: conservative

✓ Multi-body interaction in frequency domain

- Additional radiation
- Resonance trapped waves
- Shallow water effect

✓ Offshore lifting in time domain

- Lift-off speed → avoid re-hit
- Lowering through splash zone: Variable hydrodynamic loads (time-dependent, position-dependent)