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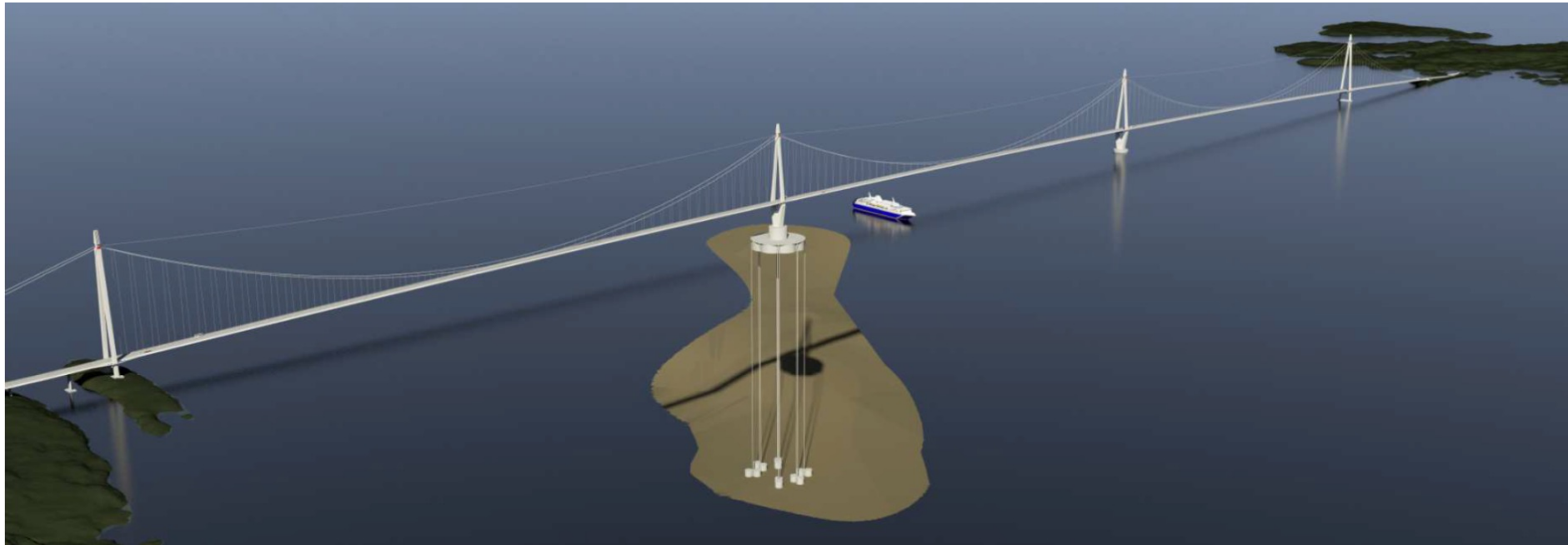
# **Wind interaction of super long span bridges and new experimental technologies for wind tunnel - ocean basin hybrid testing**

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# Coastal Highway Route E39 Project

- Very wide crossings → Long span Bridges
- Relevant aerodynamic issues



*Source: Norwegian Public Roads Administration*

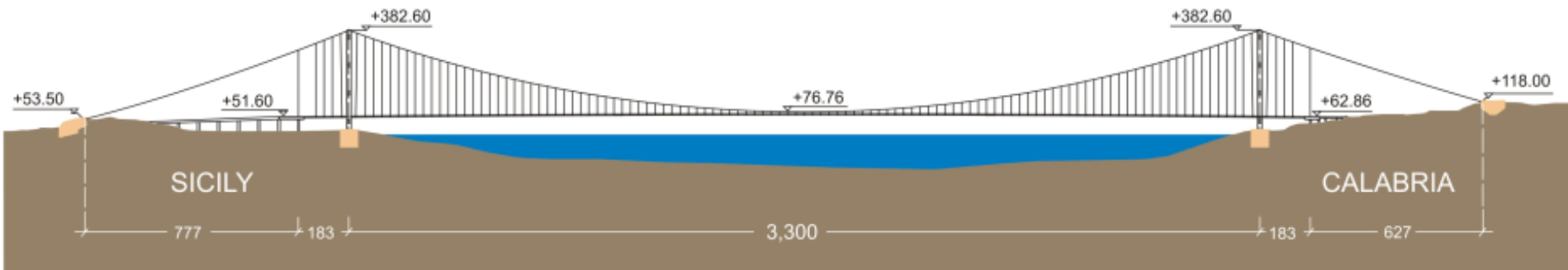
# Record span Messina Bridge Project

- Very wide crossing → 3300m single span solution
- **Key role played by aerodynamics to make it feasible**



# General arrangement of the suspension bridge

LONGITUDINAL SECTION



Central span: 3,300 m

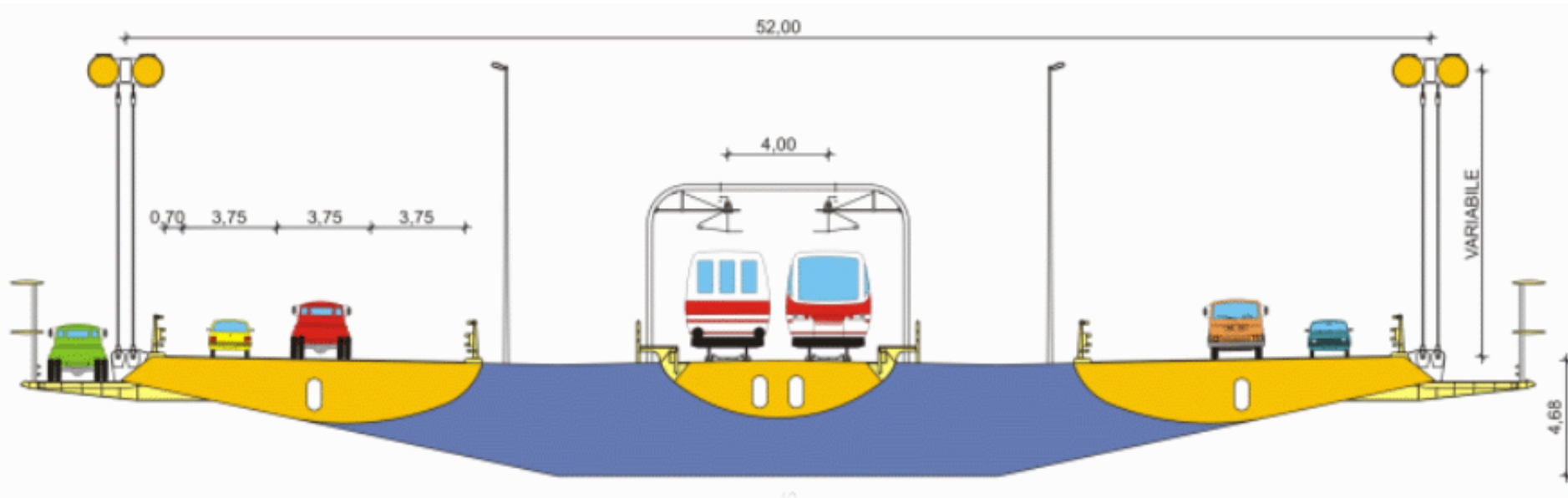
Suspended side spans: 183 m

Overall suspended length: 3,666 m

Distance between anchorages: 5,070 m

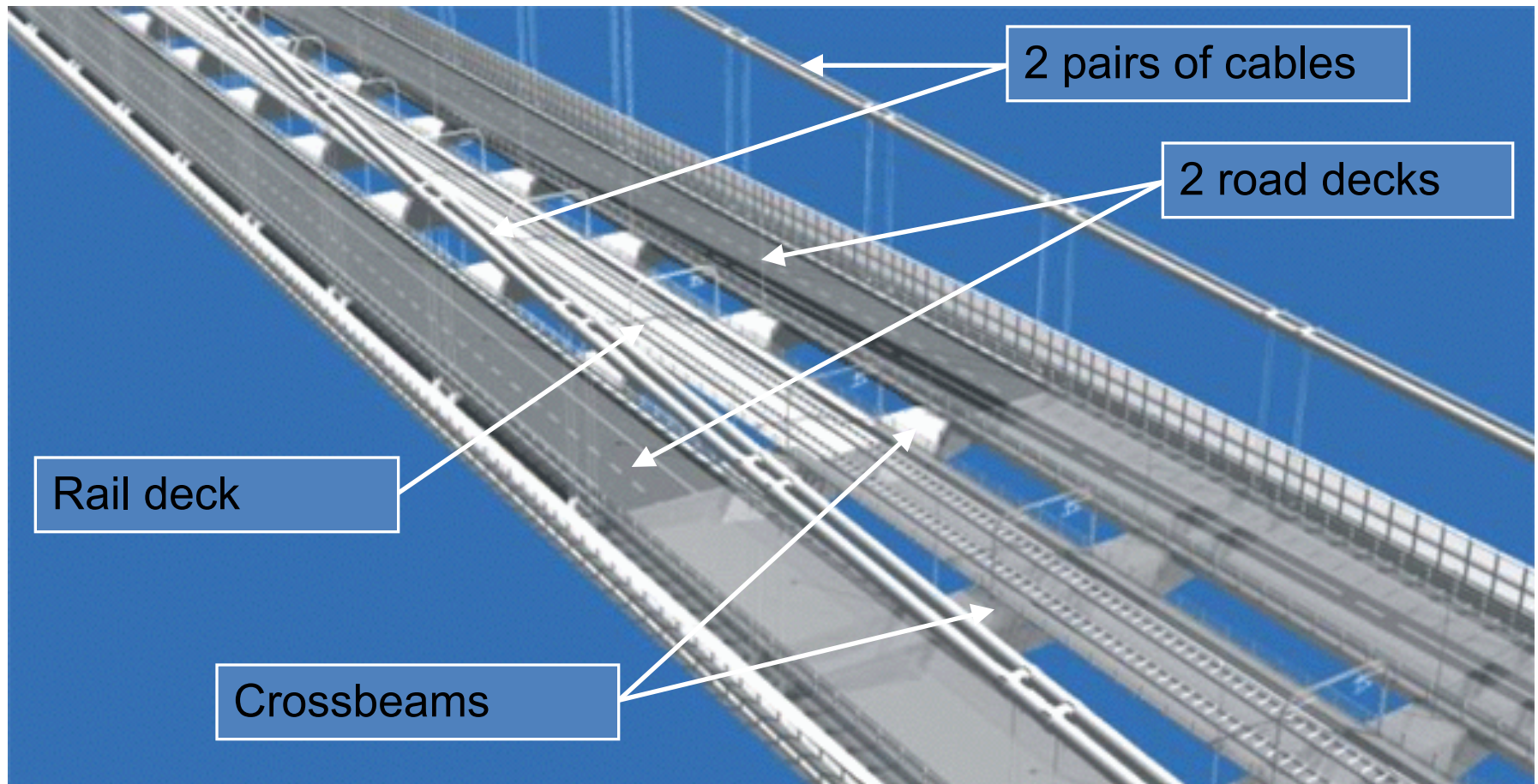


# Deck section



Deck width:	60m
Highway lanes:	2 x 2 lanes + emergency
Railway tracks:	2
Traffic capacity:	6,000 vehicles / hr 200 trains / day

# Deck detail

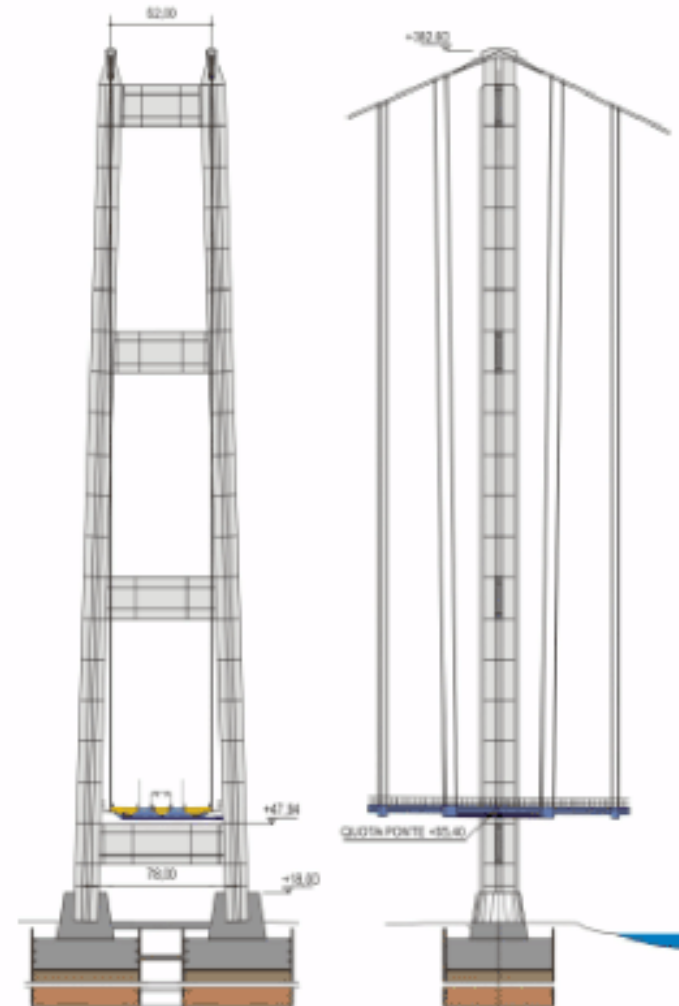


# Towers and navigation channel



Tower height: 399 m

Navigation clearance 65 x 600 m



# Wind actions

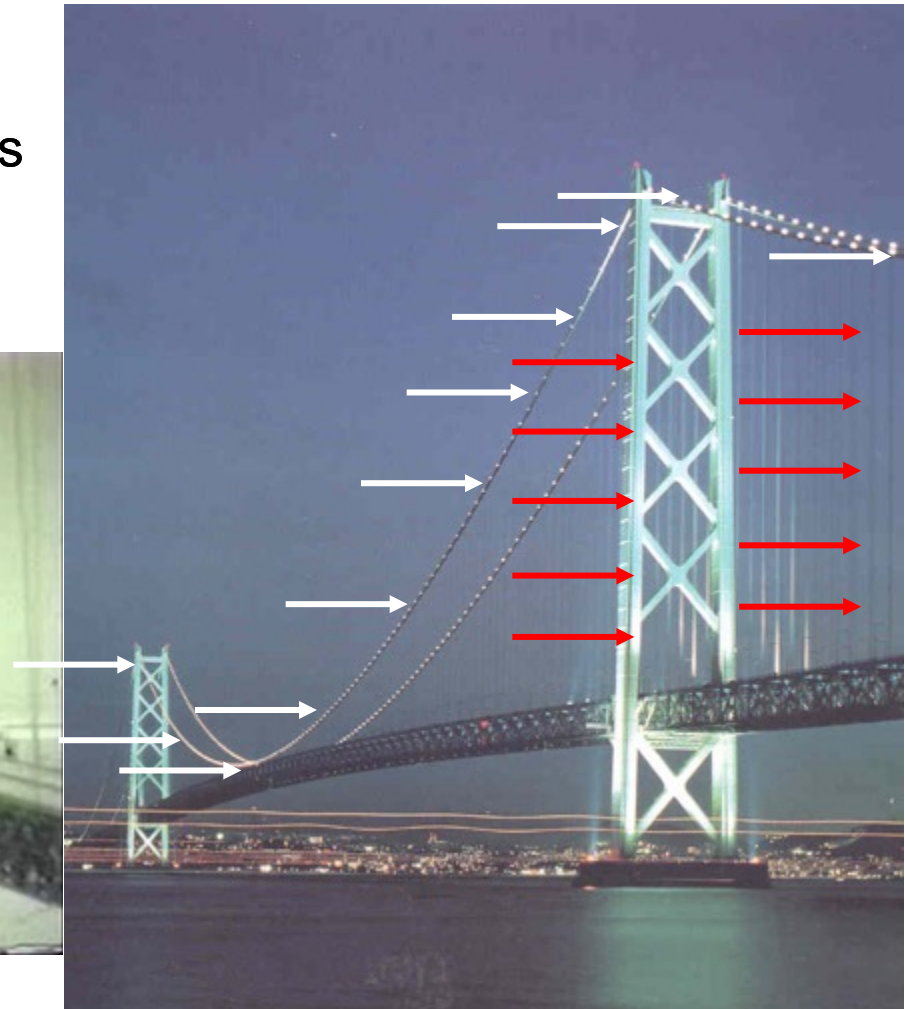
- Problems and solutions related to wind effects:
  1. **Static loads**
  2. One degree of freedom instability
  3. Flutter instability
  4. Buffeting
  5. Vortex shedding



# Static loads

Deck aerodynamic contribution is predominant

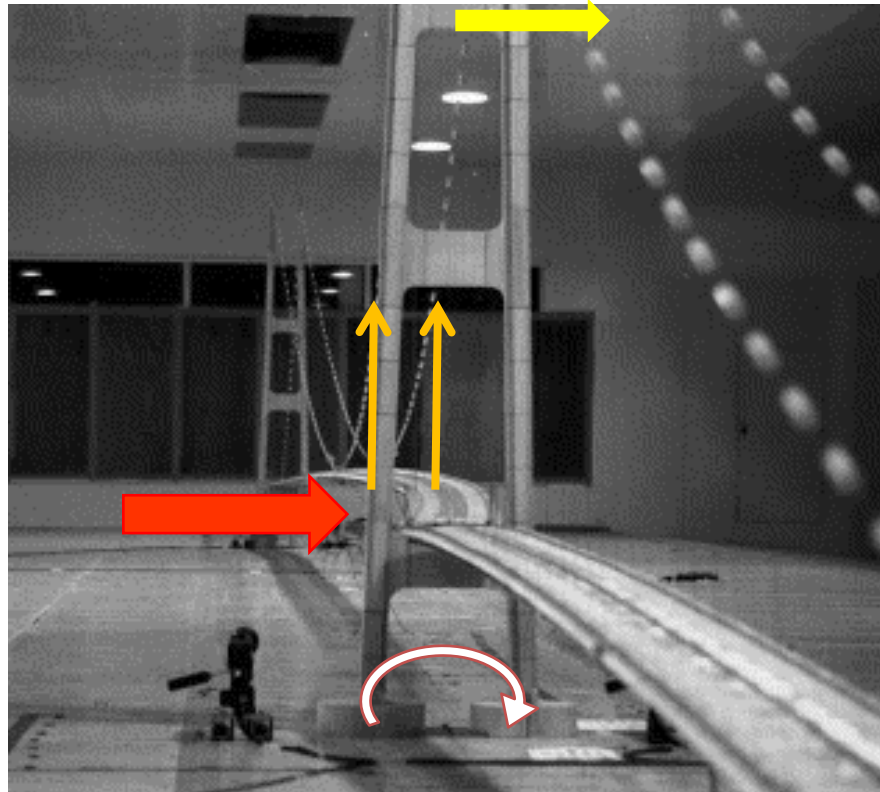
- On towers
- On main cables and hangers
- On deck



# Static loads

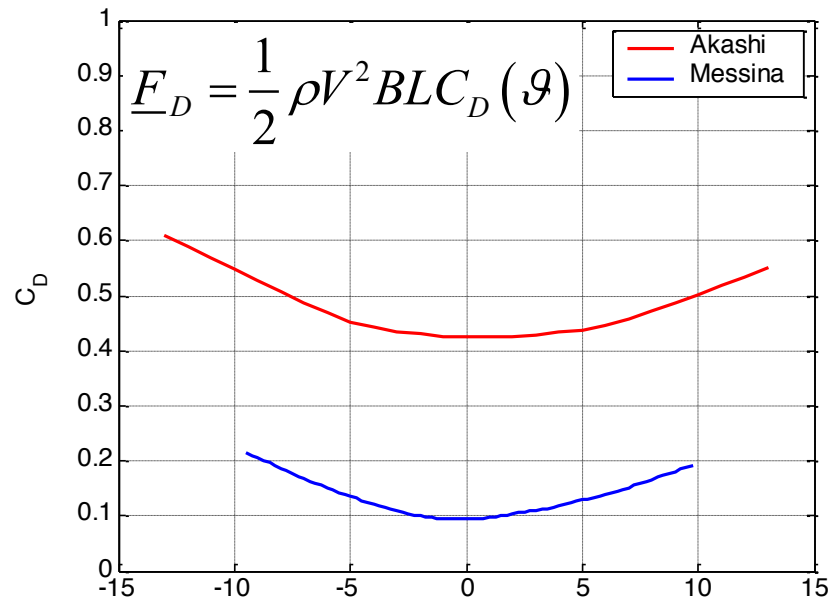
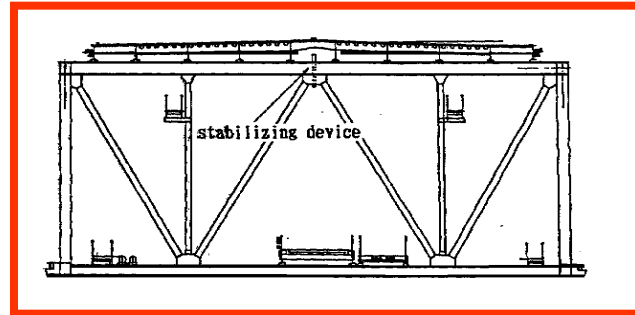
The deck produce the most important static load that is transferred through the hangers to the main cable and from the main cable to the top of the towers producing a high bending moment that affects in large amount the design of the bridge

The drag of the deck must be as low as possible



# Drag force as low as possible

Low value of the Drag coefficient  $C_D \rightarrow$  wing profile





# Static aerodynamic loads

Static deflection under maximum design wind speed measured in wind tunnel on full aeroelastic models

Akashi: 60 m/s - 25 m



Messina: 62 m/s - 10 m



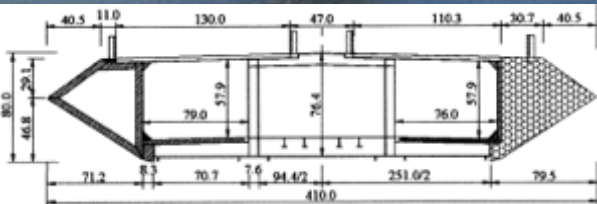
# Deck shape

In order to have low drag  
an airfoil section must be used

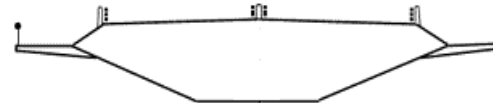
Messina Bridge (3300 m)



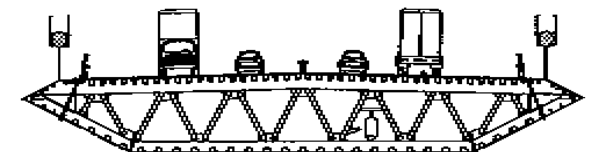
Tsing Ma Bridge (1377 m)



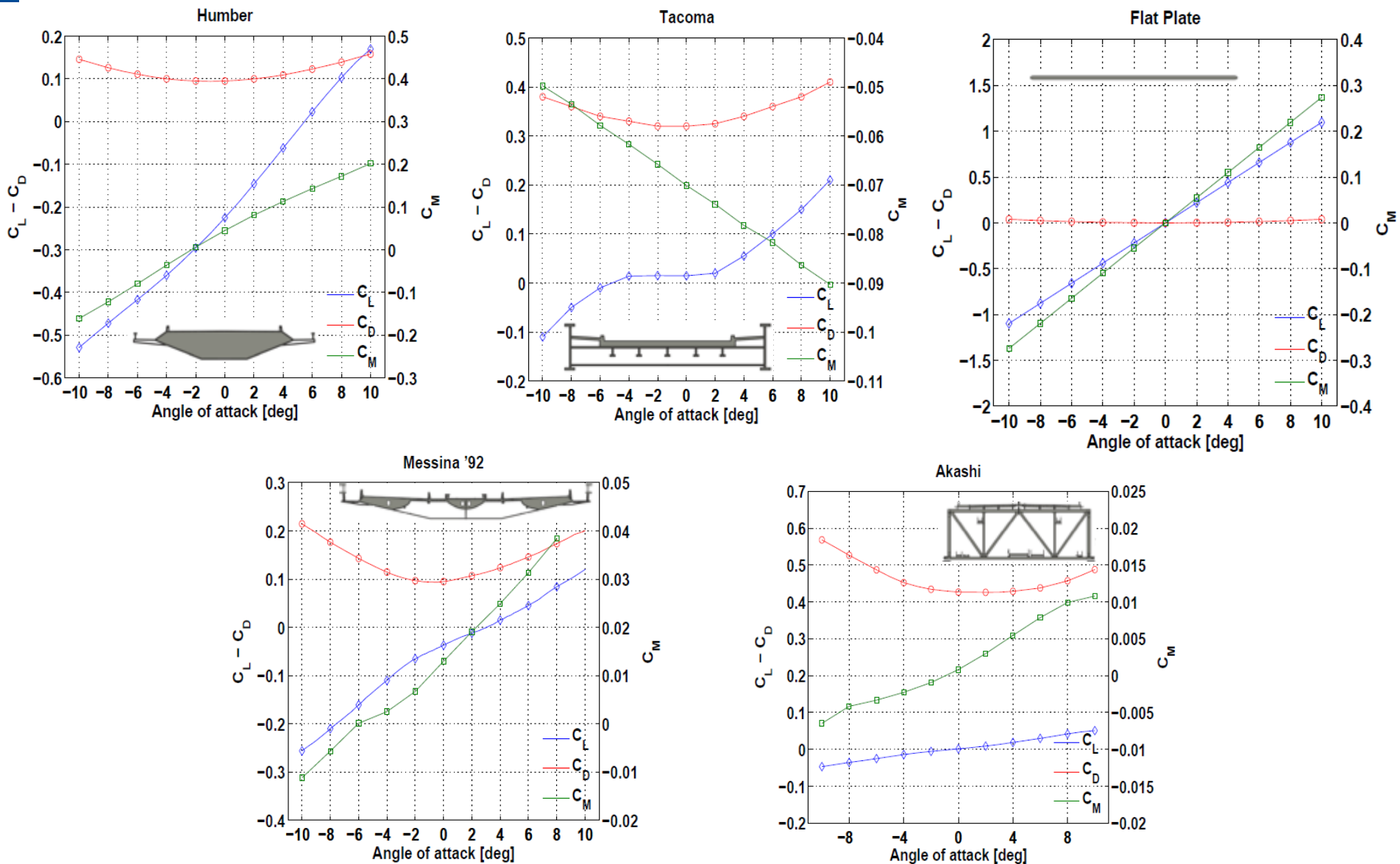
Humber Bridge (1410 m)



Storebaelt Bridge (1624 m)



# Static Aerodynamic Coefficients: Relevant Sections



# Wind actions

- Problems and solutions related to wind effects:
  1. Static loads
  2. **One degree of freedom instability**
  3. **Flutter instability**
  4. Buffeting
  5. Vortex shedding

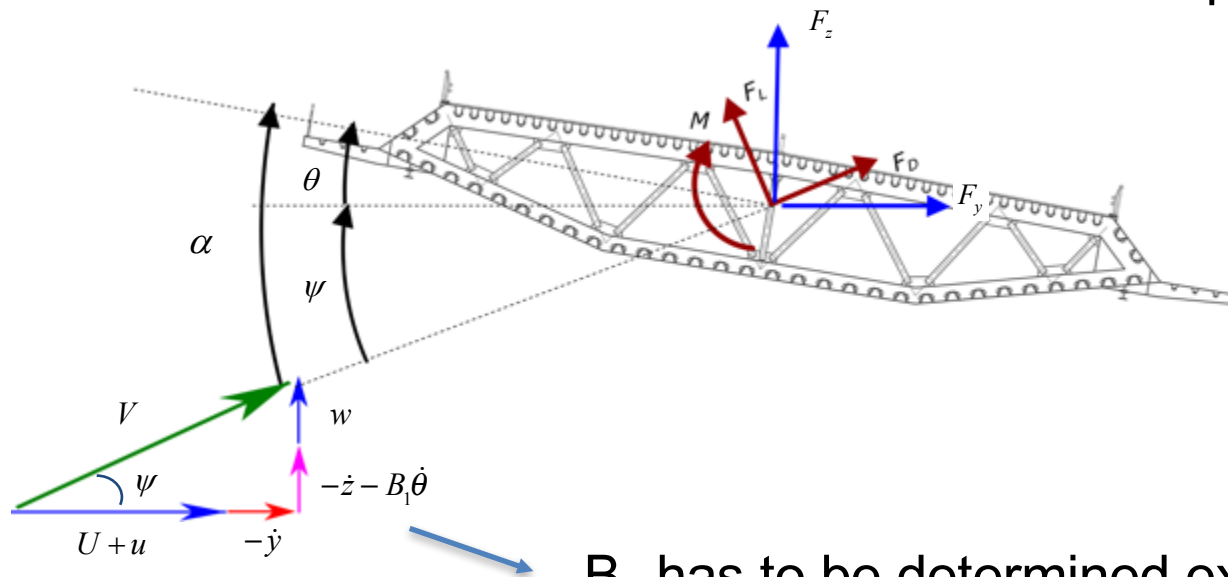
# Motion-induced forces

Linearized Quasi-steady corrected theory, in matrix form:

$$\underline{F}_{aero} = -\frac{1}{2}\rho U^2 B \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -K_{D0} \\ 0 & 0 & -K_{L0} \\ 0 & 0 & -BK_{M0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y \\ z \\ \theta \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{2}\rho UB \begin{bmatrix} 2C_{D0} & (K_{D0} - C_{L0}) & (K_{D0} - C_{L0})B_{1y} \\ 2C_{L0} & (K_{L0} + C_{D0}) & (K_{L0} + C_{D0})B_{1z} \\ B2C_{M0} & BK_{M0} & B(K_{M0})B_{1\theta} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{y} \\ \dot{z} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix}$$

Stiffness matrix

Damping matrix



$B_1$  has to be determined experimentally

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Dependence on  $V^*$ : Flutter derivatives (defined over a range of  $V^*$ )

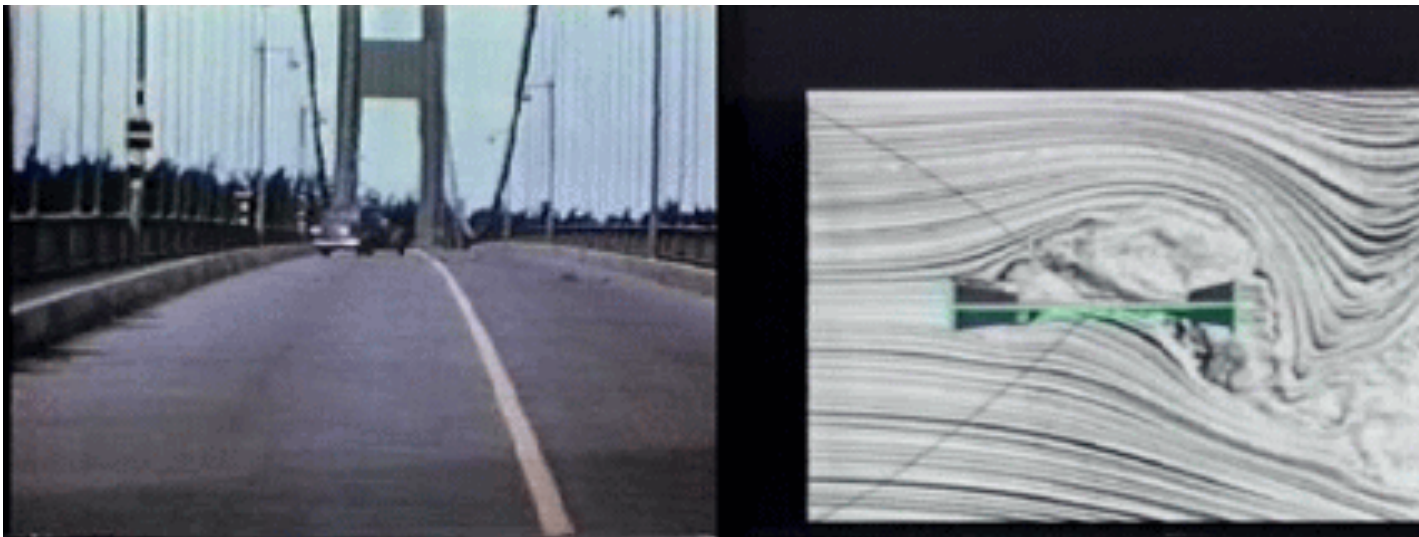
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Stiffness matrix Damping matrix



# Wing like deck shape

This type of section do not suffer of one degree of freedom instability like old Tacoma Narrow Bridge



But it suffer of two degrees of freedom instability of the flutter type

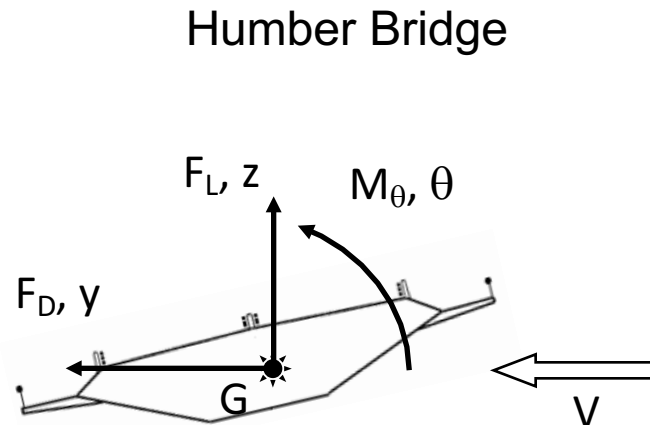
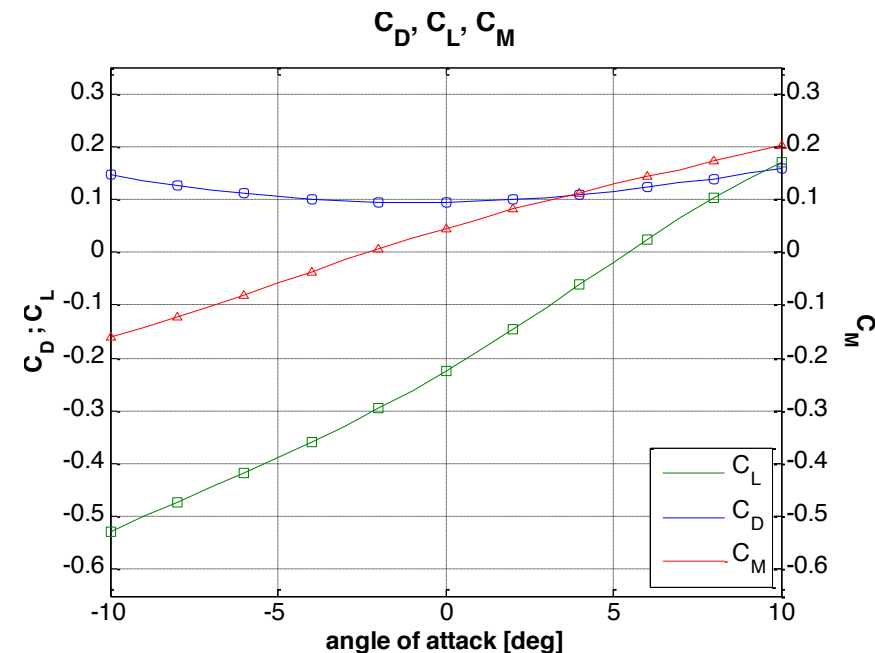
I will try to explain in a simple way the mechanism



# Instability problems or aeroelasticity

If, for any reason, for a generic wind  $V$ , the deck rotates of  $\alpha$  an elastic moment, proportional to the structural stiffness  $K_t^{\text{str}}$ , is produced

Due to wind action, an aerodynamic moment arises, with the same sign of the rotation  $\alpha$ , producing a negative torsional aerodynamic stiffness  $K_t^{\text{aer}}$

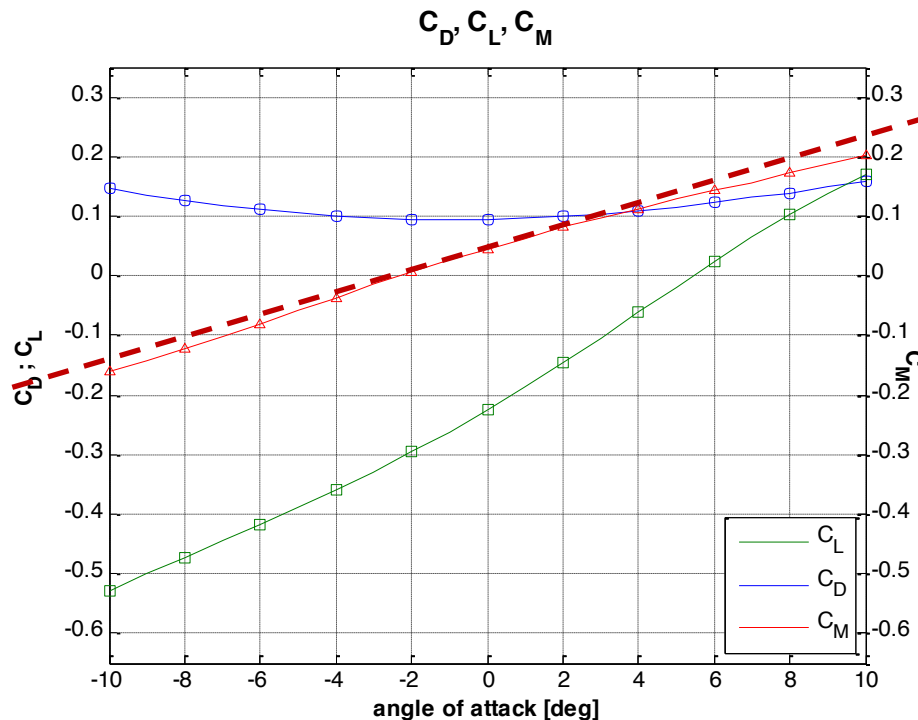


# Linearization of the aeroelastic terms

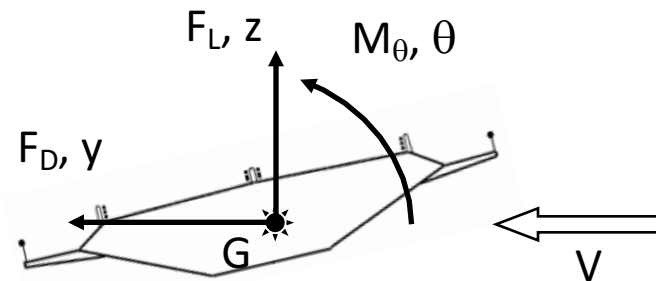
In first approximation:

$$K_t^{aer} = -\frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 B^2 L \frac{\partial C_M}{\partial \psi}$$

Where  $\frac{\partial C_M}{\partial \psi}$  is the slope of the moment coefficient



Humber Bridge



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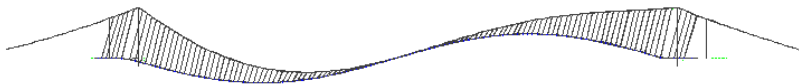
The total torsional stiffness is:

$$K_t^{tot} = K_t^{str} + K_t^{aer}$$

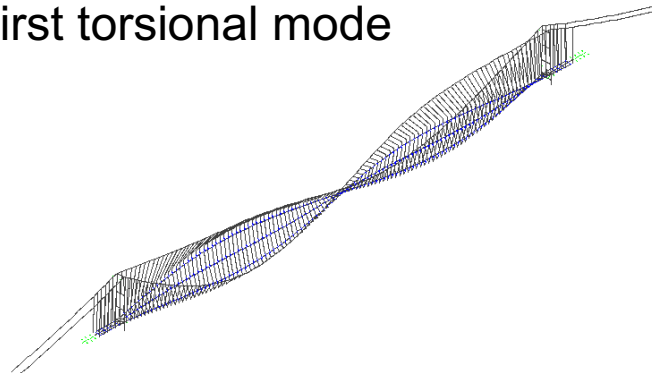
Being  $K_t^{aer}$  negative and proportional to  $V^2$

Increasing the wind speed  $K_t^{tot}$  decreases and as a consequence the torsional frequencies are decreasing

First vertical mode



First torsional mode



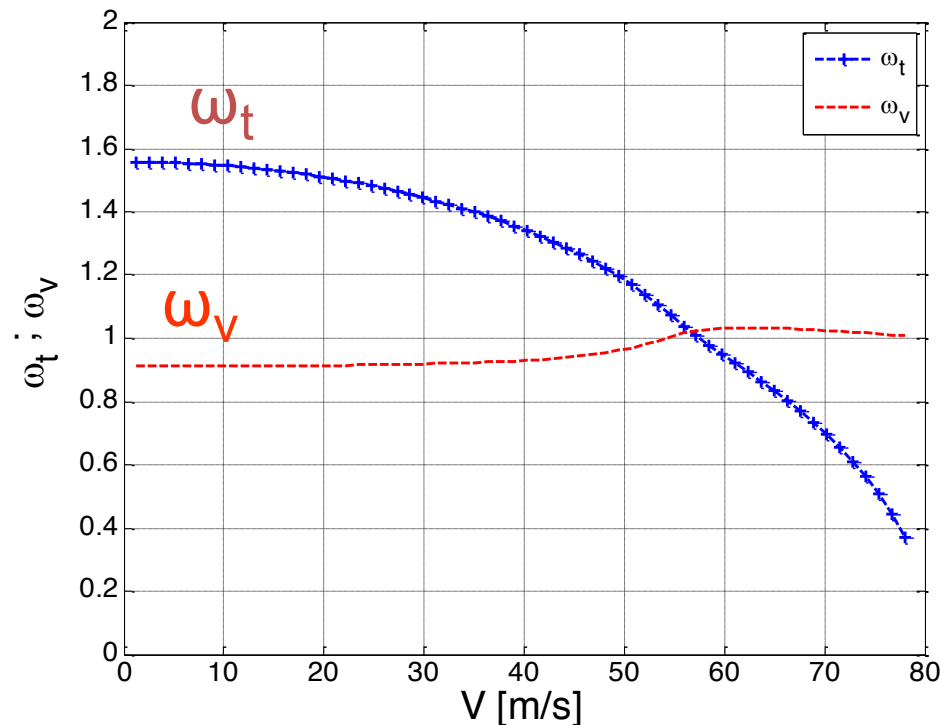
Their coupling gives rise to flutter instability

# 2 d.o.f. instability (flutter): natural frequencies

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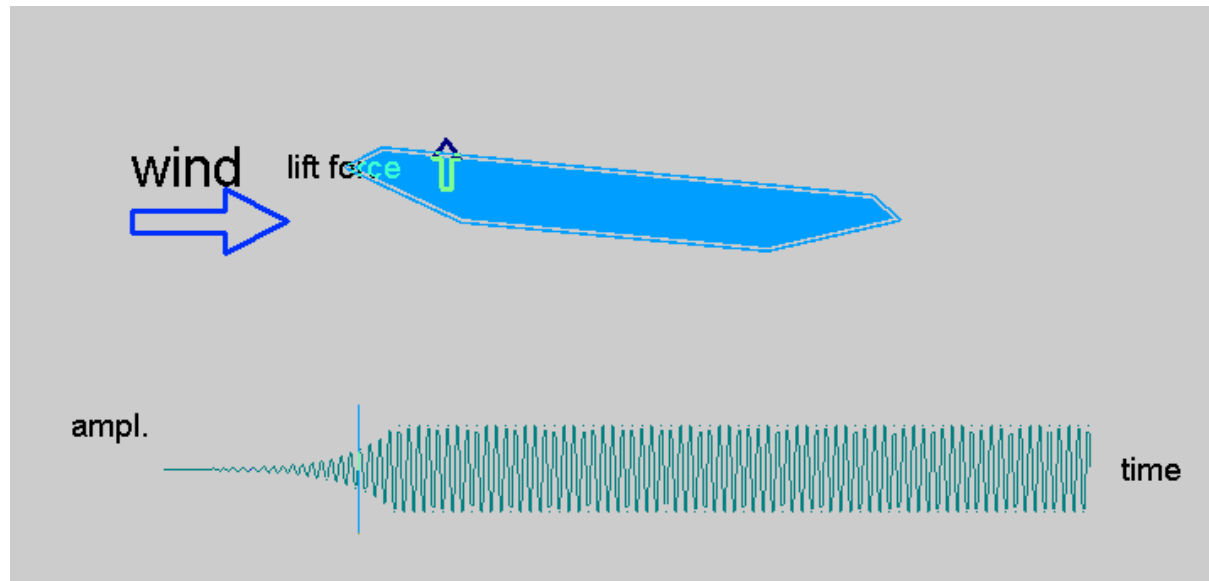
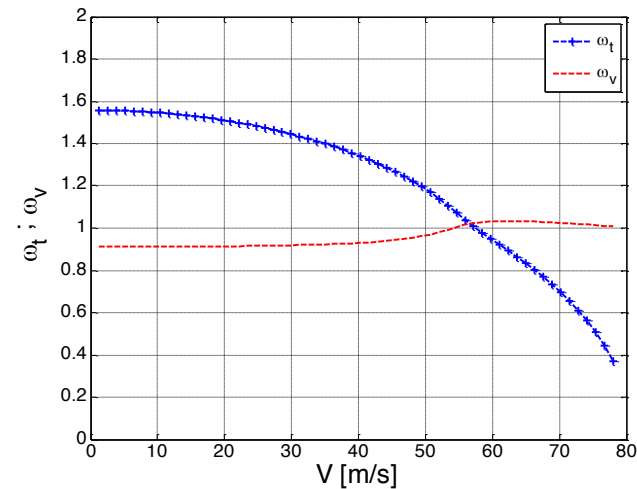
$$K_t^{aer} = \frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 B^2 L \frac{\partial C_M}{\partial \psi}$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{\mathbf{k}_{tot}}{\mathbf{J}}}$$

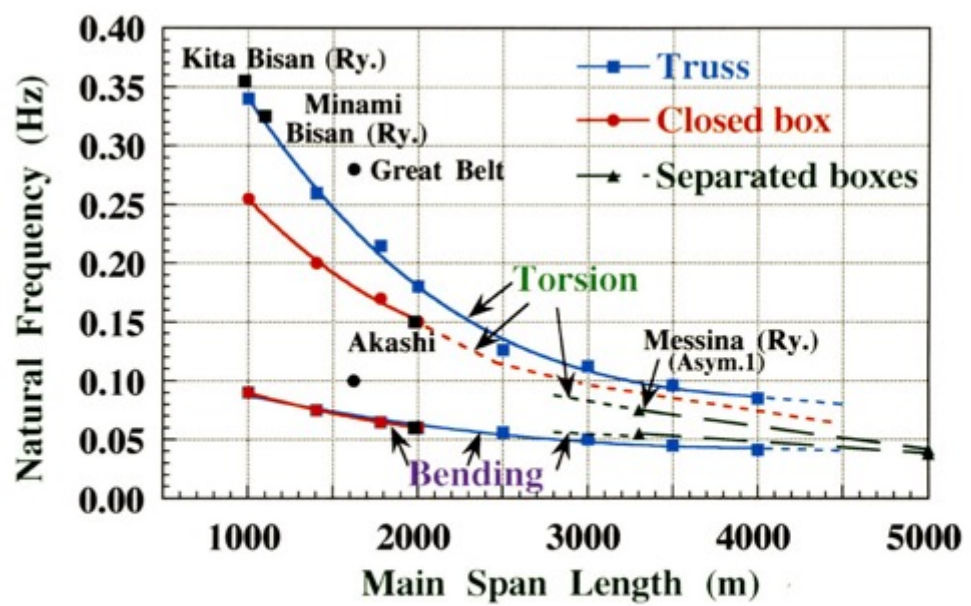
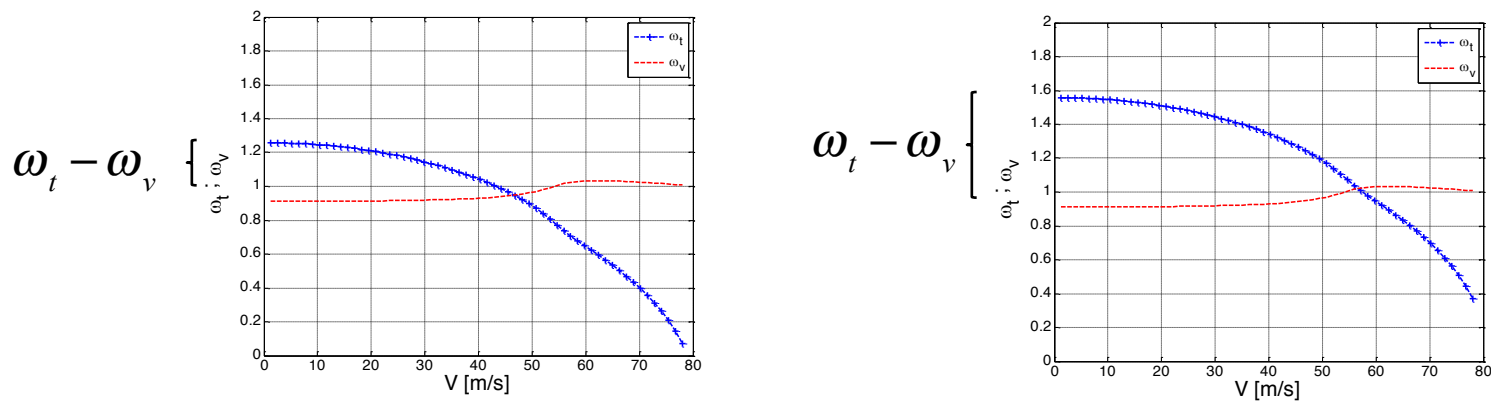


# 2 d.o.f. instability (flutter)

When these two frequencies become equal a two degree of freedom flutter is produced:



# Why this is a problem increasing the span length?

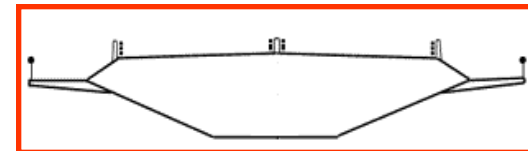
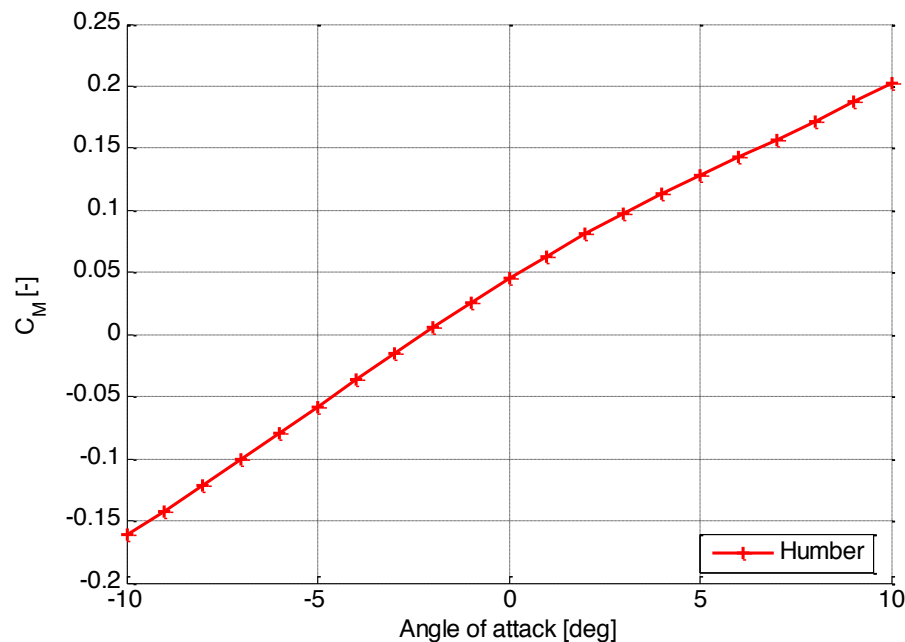


**Reduction of Natural Frequency with Span Length in Suspension Bridge**

# Aerodynamic optimization

If the Humber or Storebealt deck section aerodynamics were applied to the the Messina structural properties then Messina flutter wind speed would be:

$$V_{\text{flutter}} = 40 \text{ m/s}$$





# How to come out from this problem?

## 2 ways:

### 1) Structural solution:

by increasing the structural torsional stiffness of the deck (like Akashi )

Drawbacks:

- High drag
- Not feasible increasing the span length since the cable contribution to the torsional stiffness becomes larger and larger and the effect of deck stiffness becomes negligible



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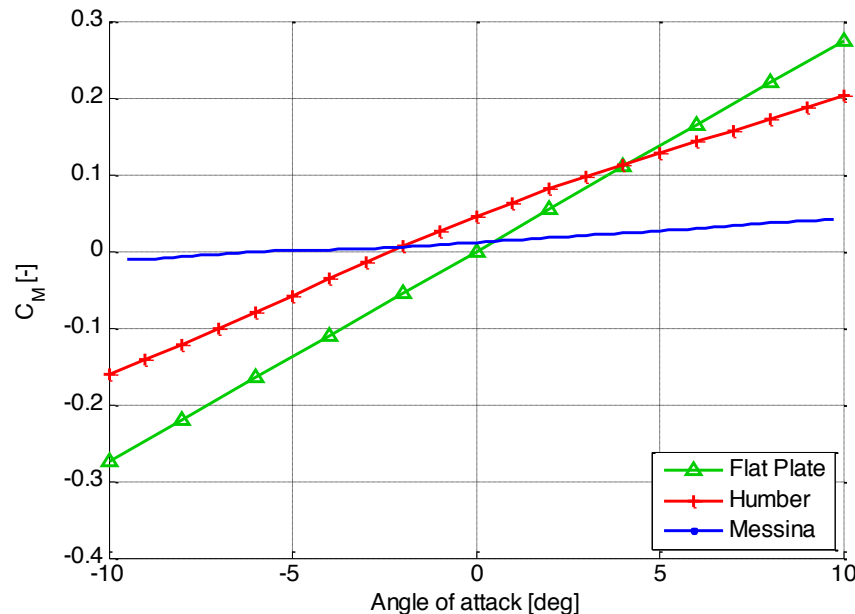
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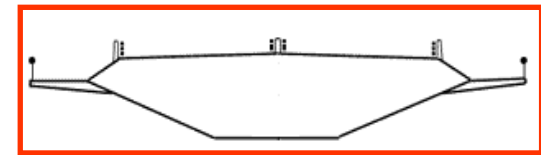
2) Aerodynamic solution:

by decreasing the aerodynamic torsional stiffness

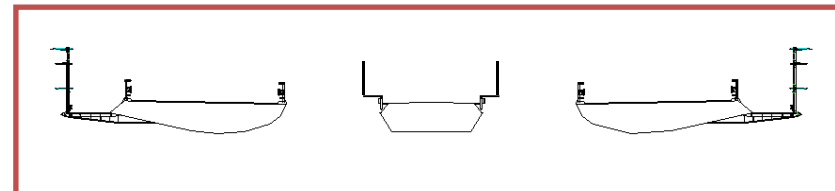
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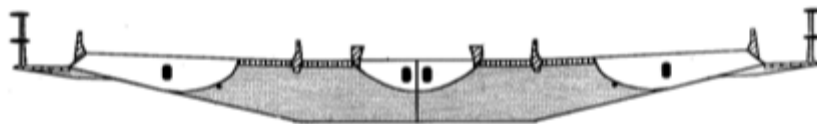
Using Humber bridge  
aerodynamics :  $V_{flutter} = 40$  m/s



Using Messina bridge  
aerodynamics :  $V_{flutter} = 90$  m/s

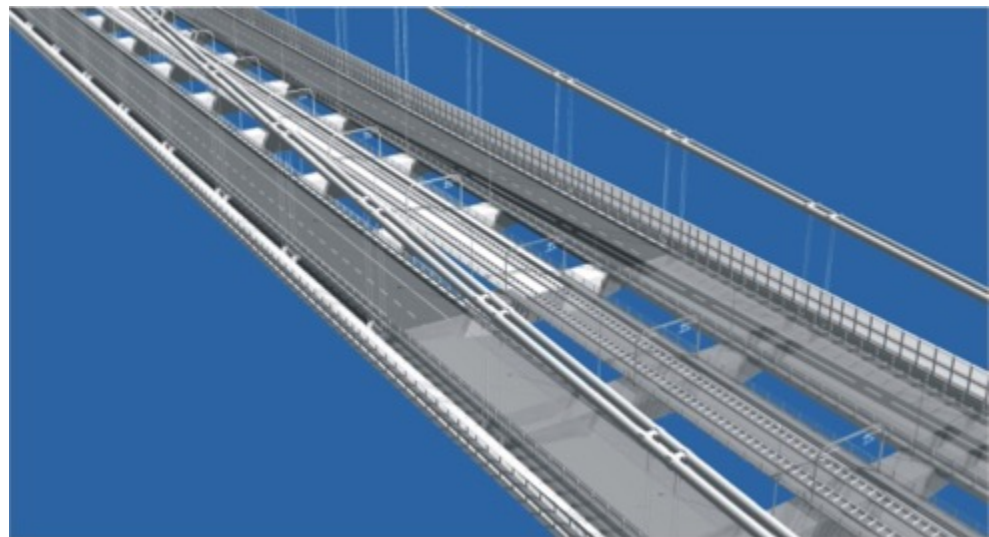
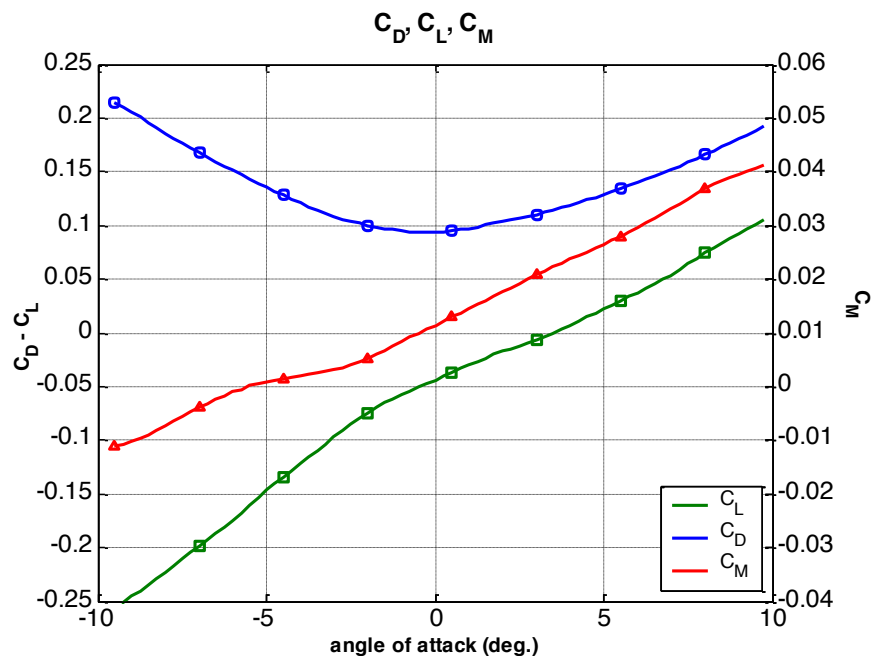


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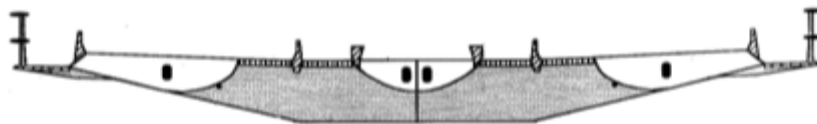


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- very low (**BUT POSITIVE !**) lift and moment **DERIVATIVES**

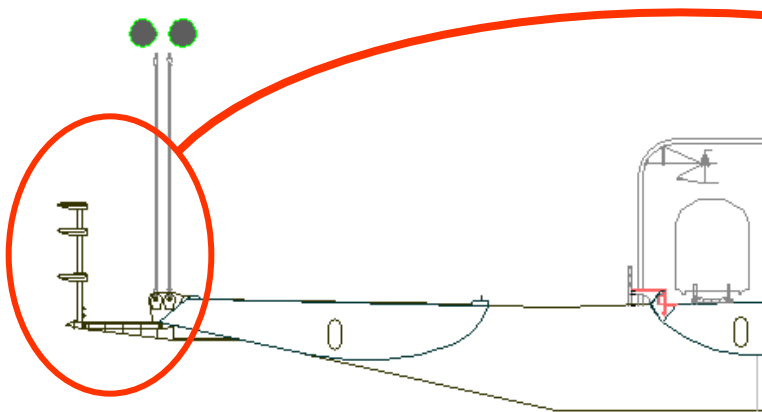


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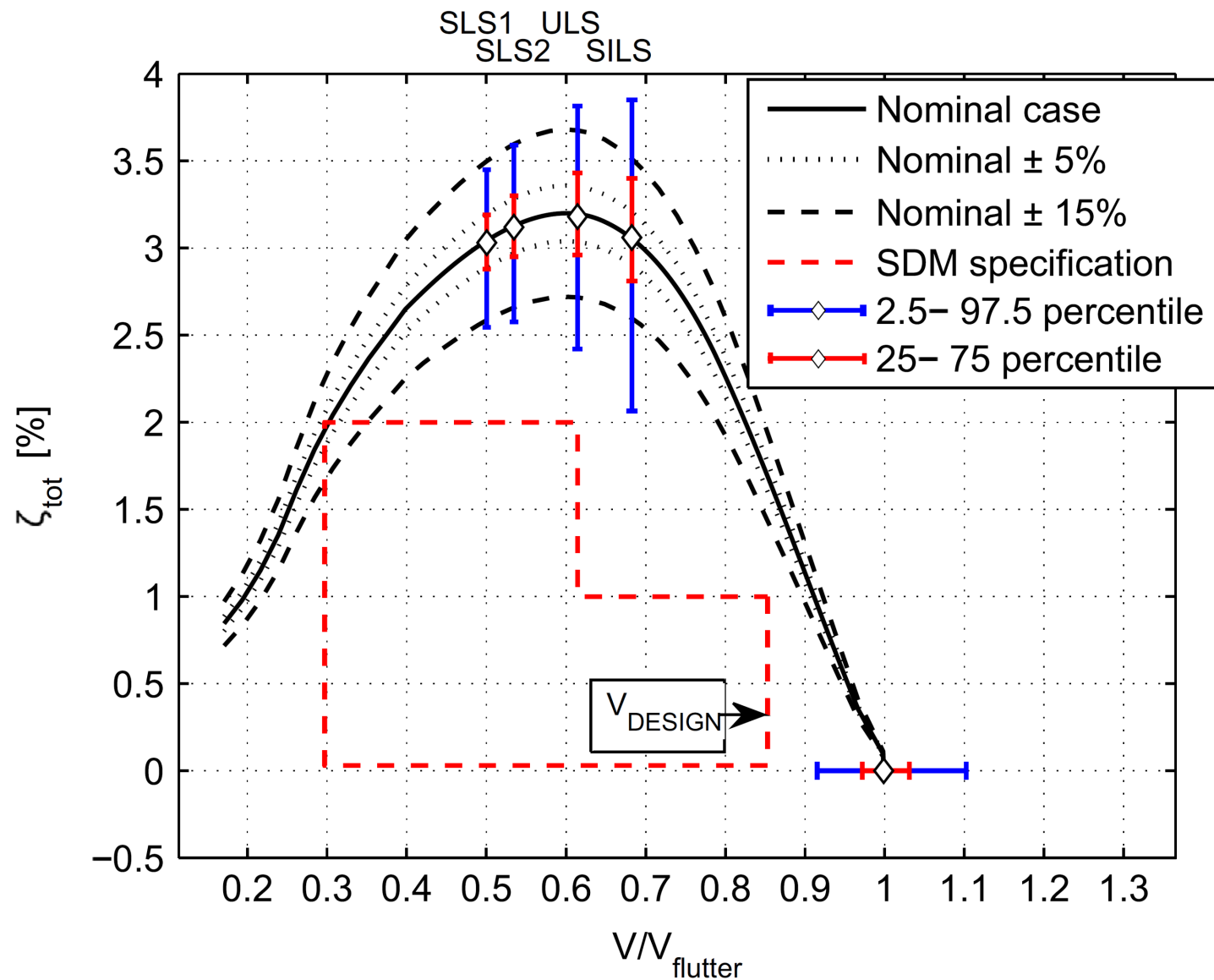


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- transparent wind screen with aerodynamic damping devices



# Total damping requirements



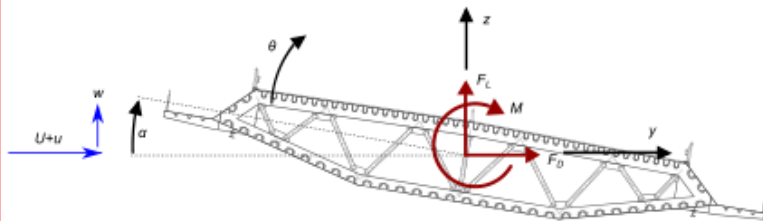
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# Bridge buffeting response simulation

Aerodynamic Force Model (2D)

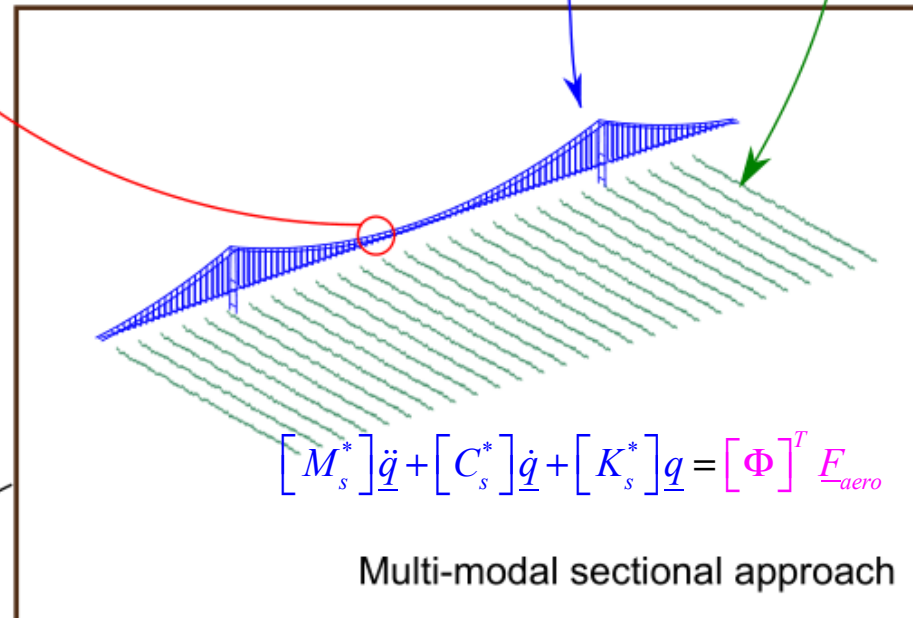
$$F = F(x, \dot{x}, u, w)$$



- Linear models
- Nonlinear models

Cross PSD of turbulent wind field

FEM Analysis of the bridge



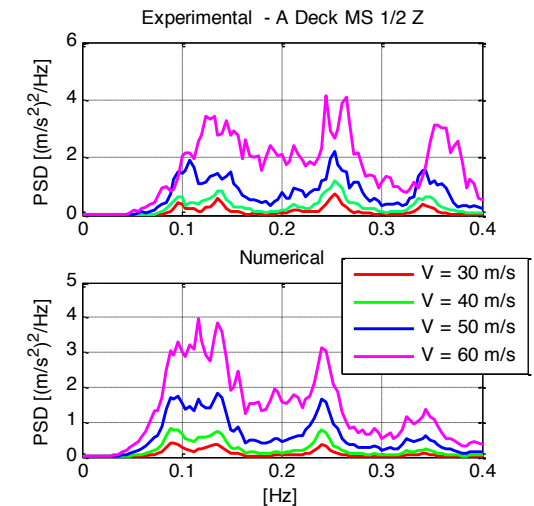
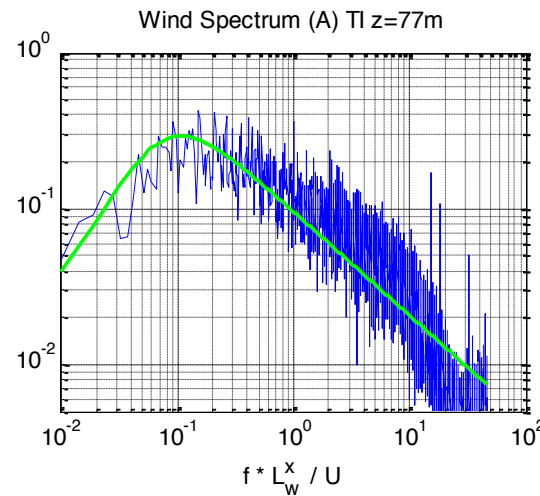
Buffeting Response

Time / Frequency

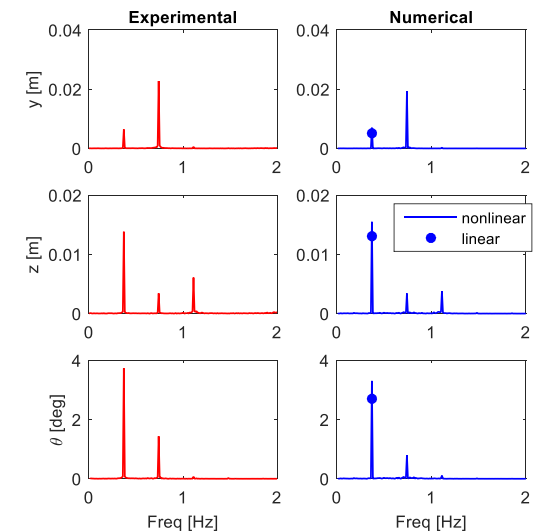
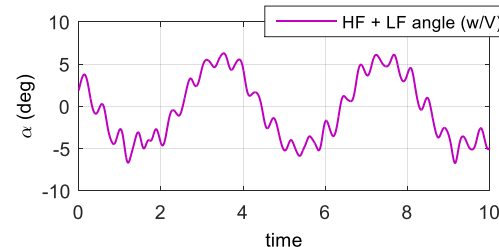
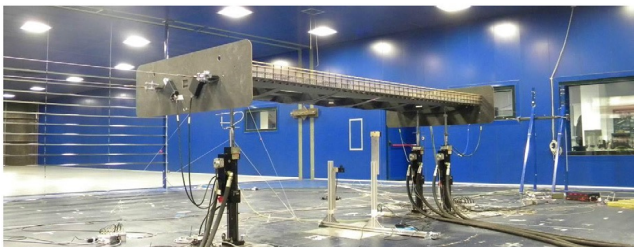


# Buffeting response validation

- Full aeroelastic model

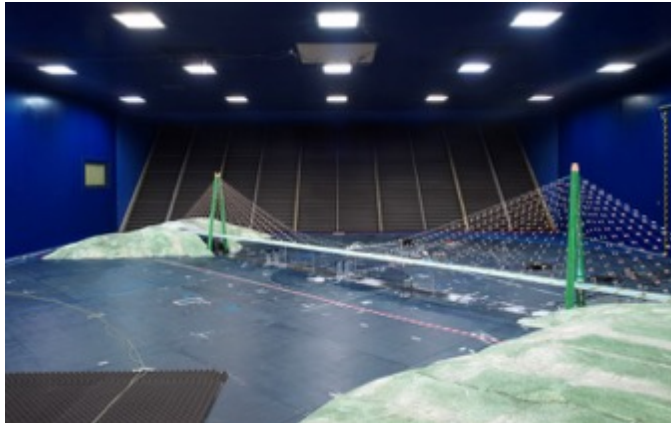


- Suspended sectional model



# Pros and cons

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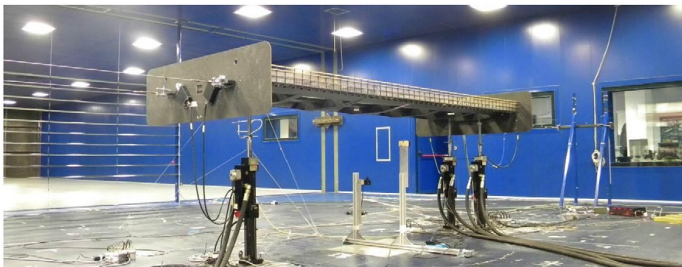
### ADVANTAGES

- Multimodal excitation
- Modal shape effect
- Coupling effects
- Useful for complex stability analysis
- Different wind directions and orography

### DISADVANTAGES

- Small geometrical scale
- Difficulty in controlling damping
- Difficult to measure turbulence along the deck at many locations

## • Suspended sectional model



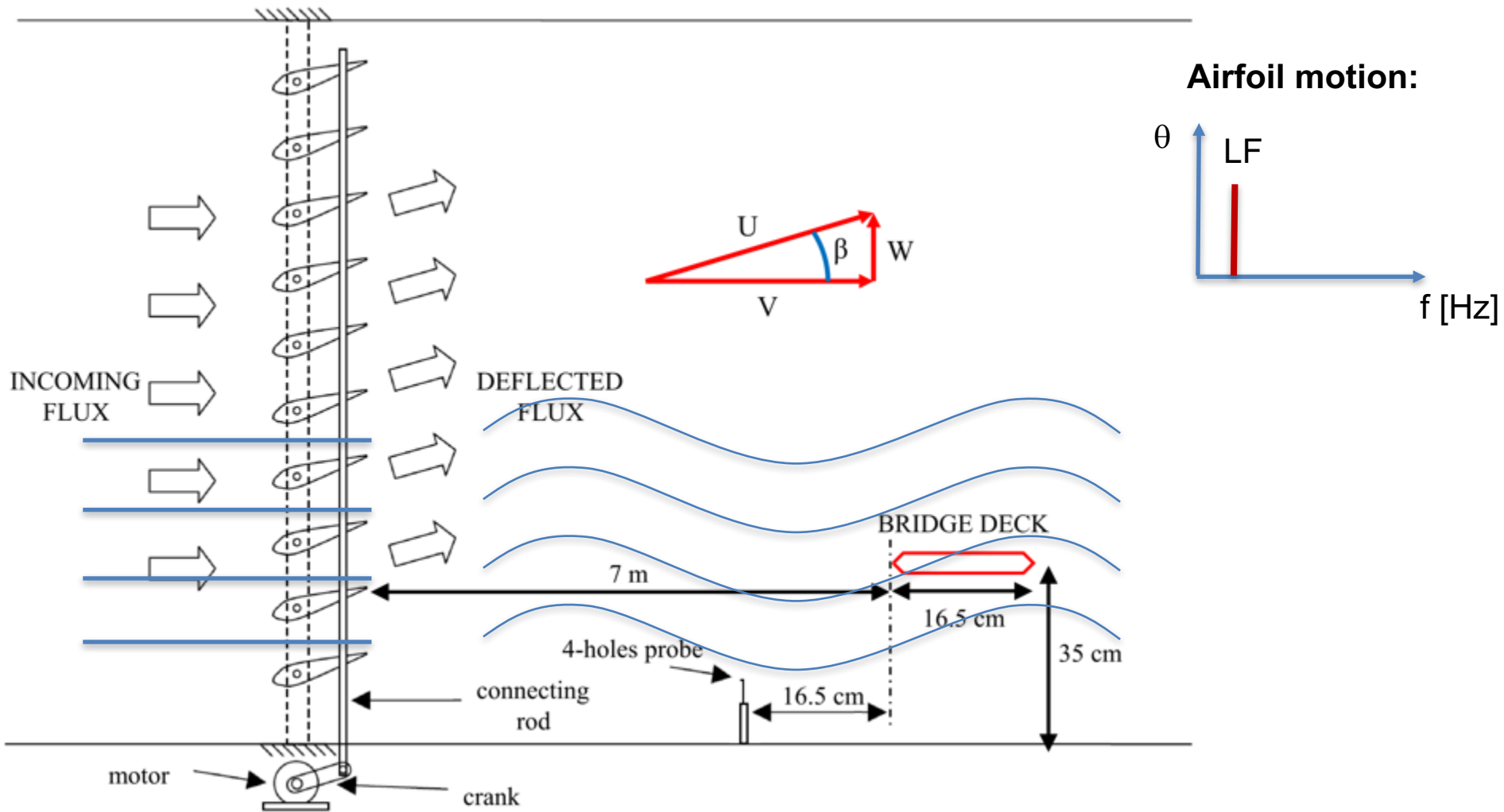
### ADVANTAGES

- Large scale
- Accuracy of geometrical details
- Measurement of pressure distribution / global forces
- Low damping
- VIV
- Active turbulence generator

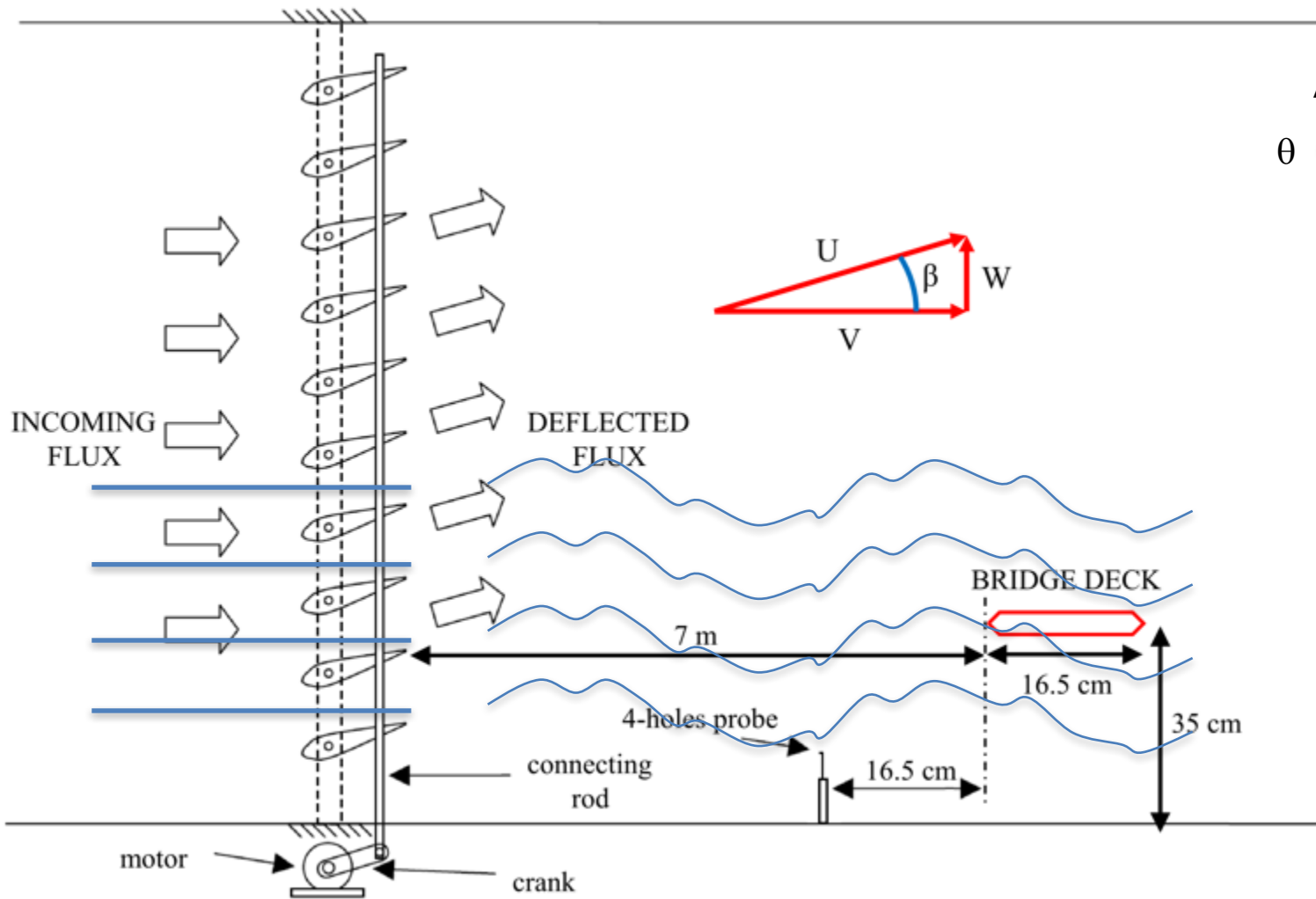
### DISADVANTAGES

- All the sections are characterized by the same aerodynamic behavior
- Multimodal excitation can not be considered
- Low wind speed test, for low reduced velocities  $V^*$

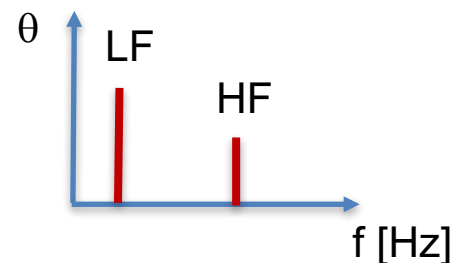
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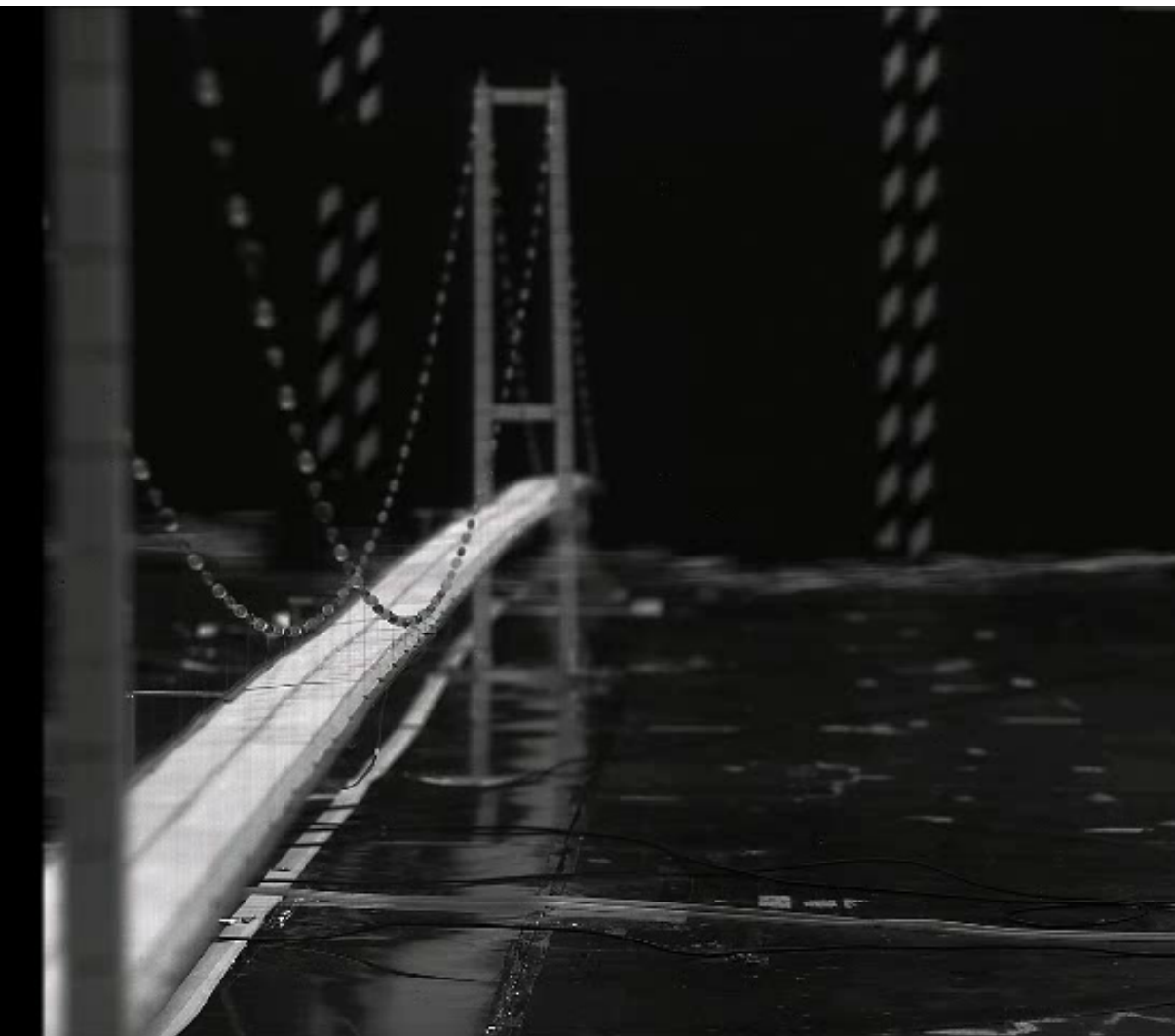
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Airfoil motion:



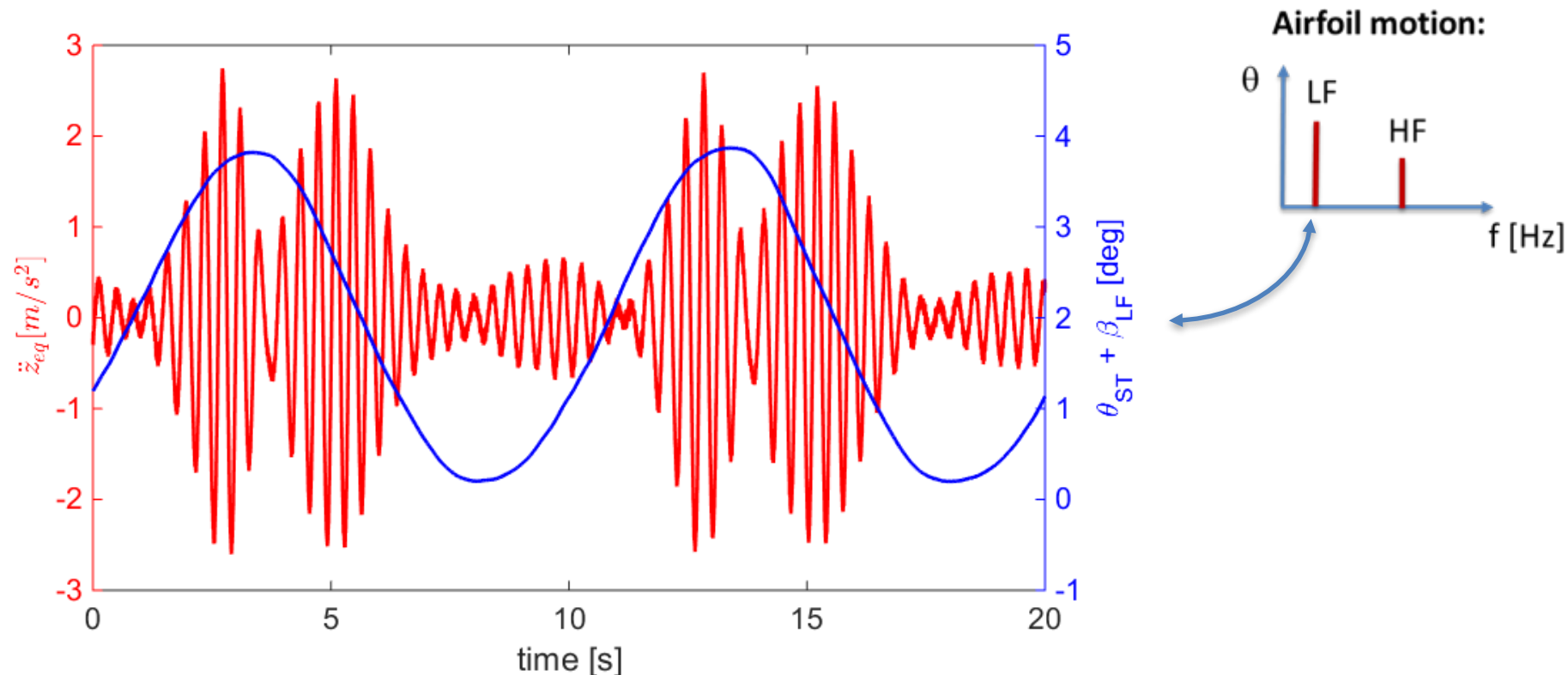
# Experimental results



- Mean wind speed  
 $U = 5 \text{ m/s}$
- Low frequency  $0.1 \text{ Hz}$ ,  
 $w/U = 2 \text{ deg}$
- High frequency  $2.6 \text{ Hz}$ ,  
 $w/U = 1 \text{ deg}$
- Large aeroelastic coupling  
(flutter at  $5.6 \text{ m/s}$ )
- Forcing near resonance

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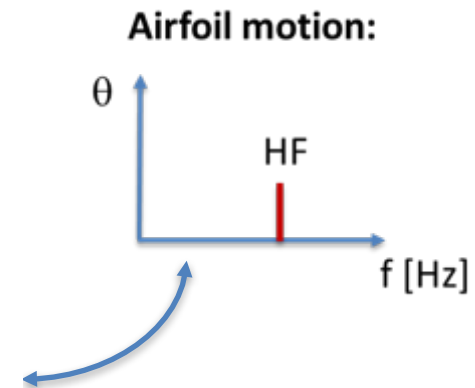
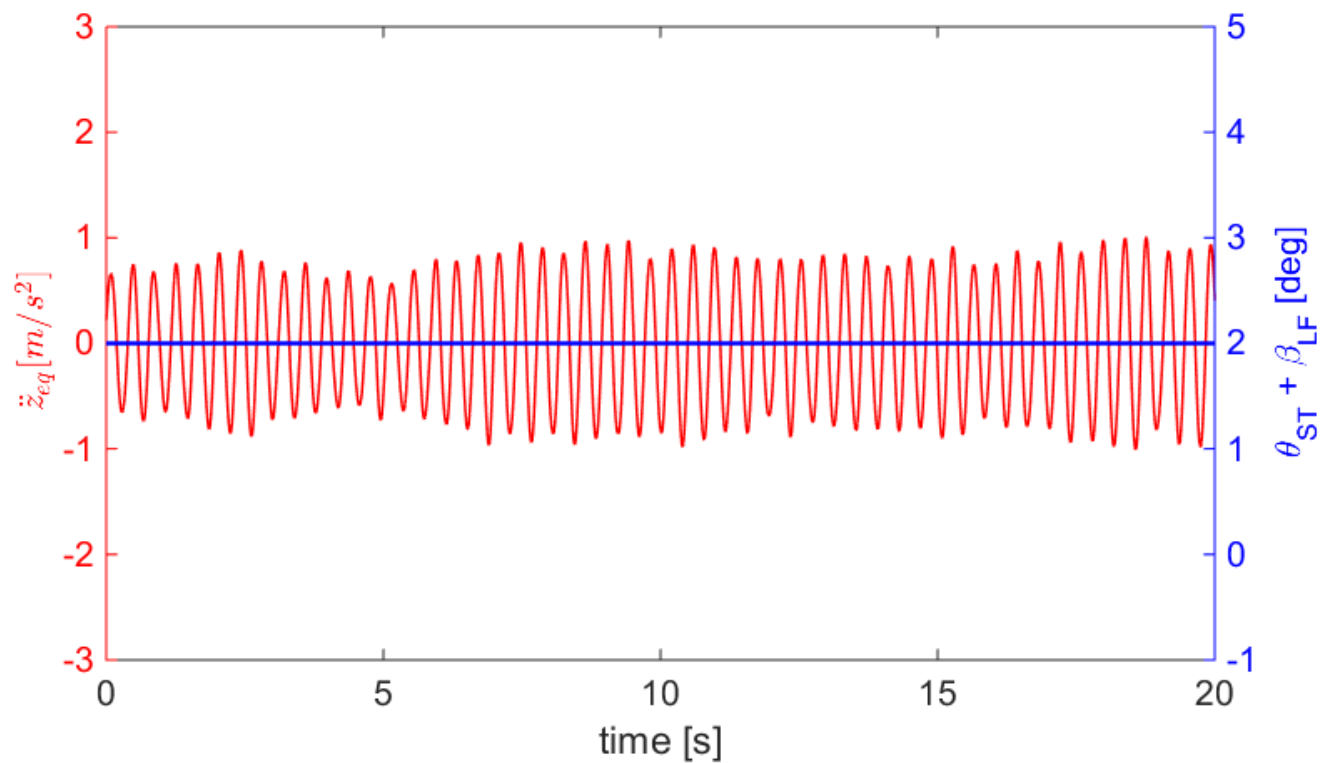
- Low frequency + high frequency (LF = 0.1 Hz, HF = 2.57 Hz)



There is a correlation between the LF angle of attack and the HF response of the bridge

# Experimental results

- Only high frequency (HF = 2.57 Hz)

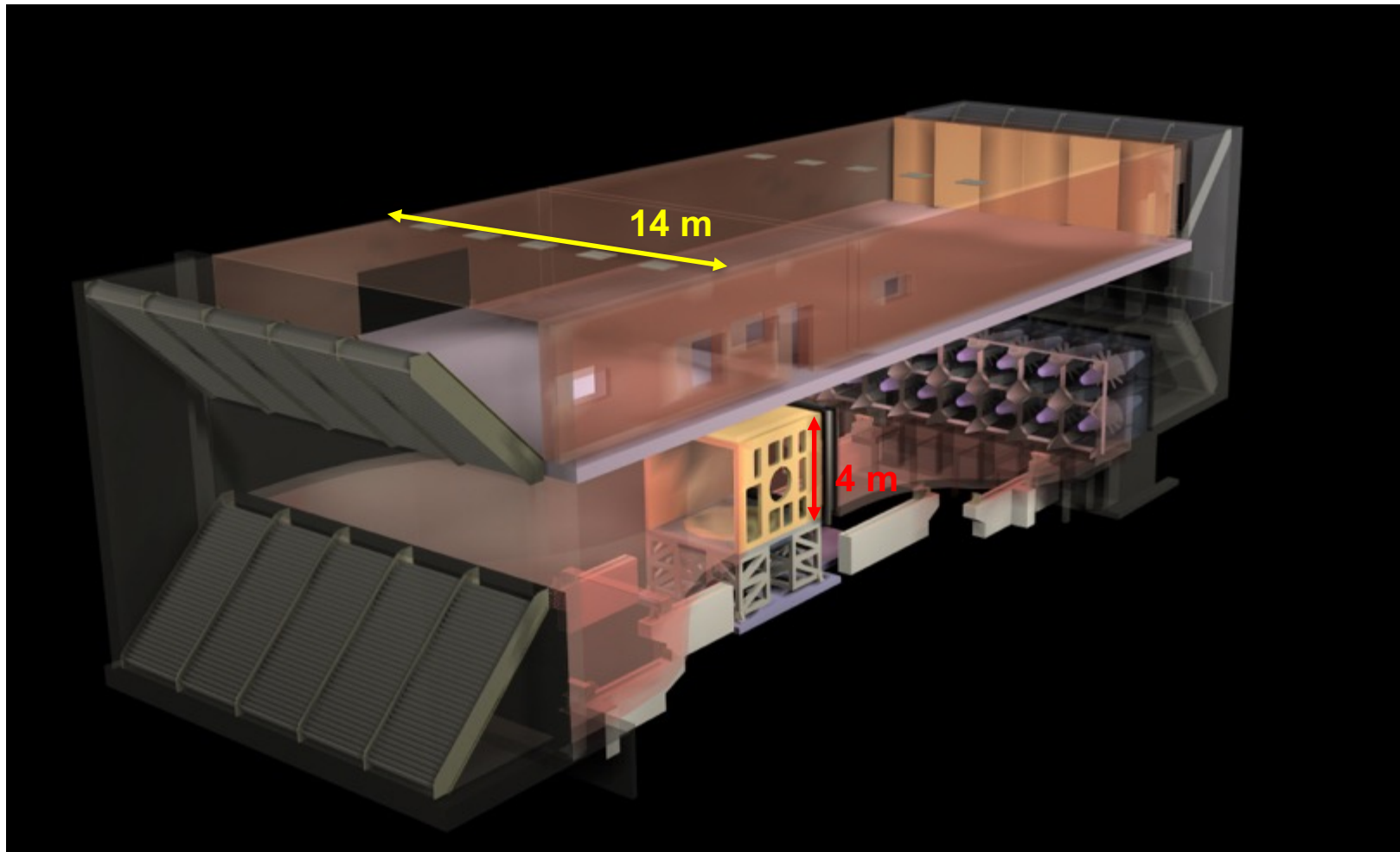




# Adequate Wind Tunnel: still a key point !

POLIMI Wind Tunnel:

Boundary Layer / Smooth Flow / Open Jet



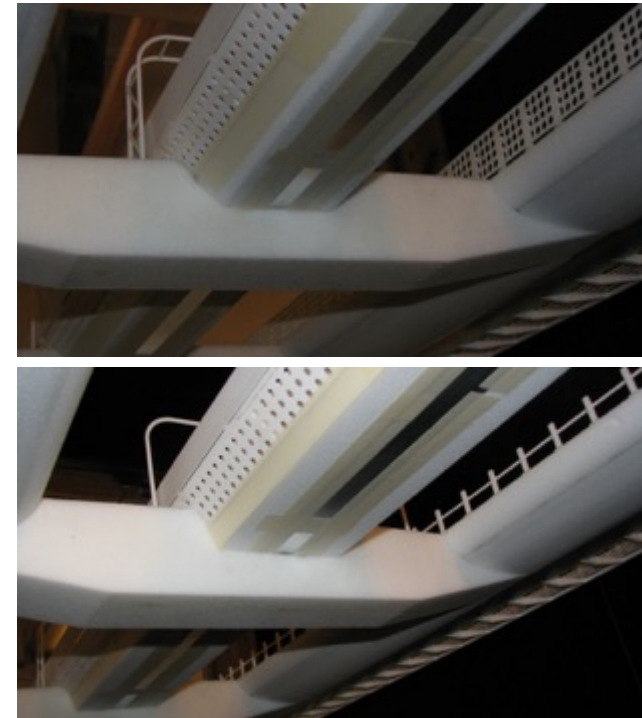
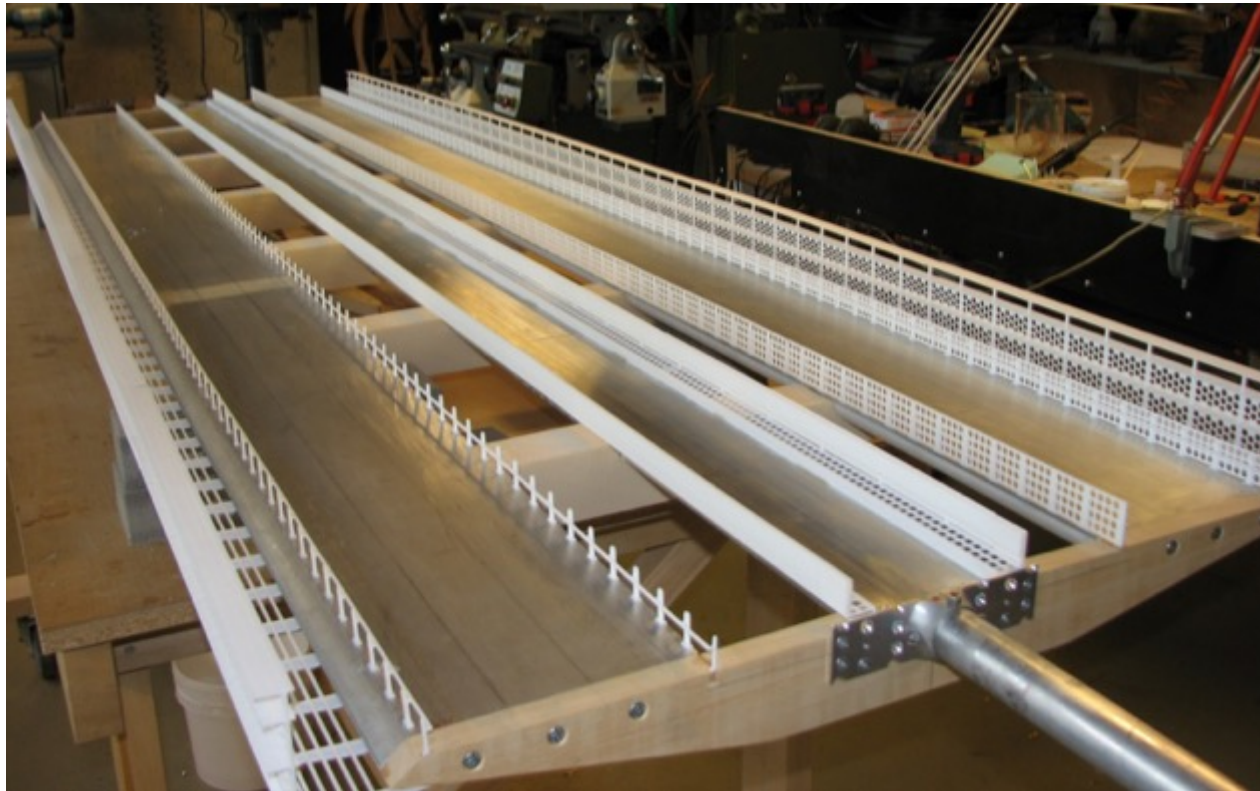
# Deck WT tests

## Messina - ELK

FORCE Technology (Denmark):



- Model scale: 1: 80 (Deck chord = 0.75 m)
- Maximum wind speed: up to 24 m/s ( $Re = 1.2 \cdot 10^6$ )
- Investigated: Stability – Vortex shedding



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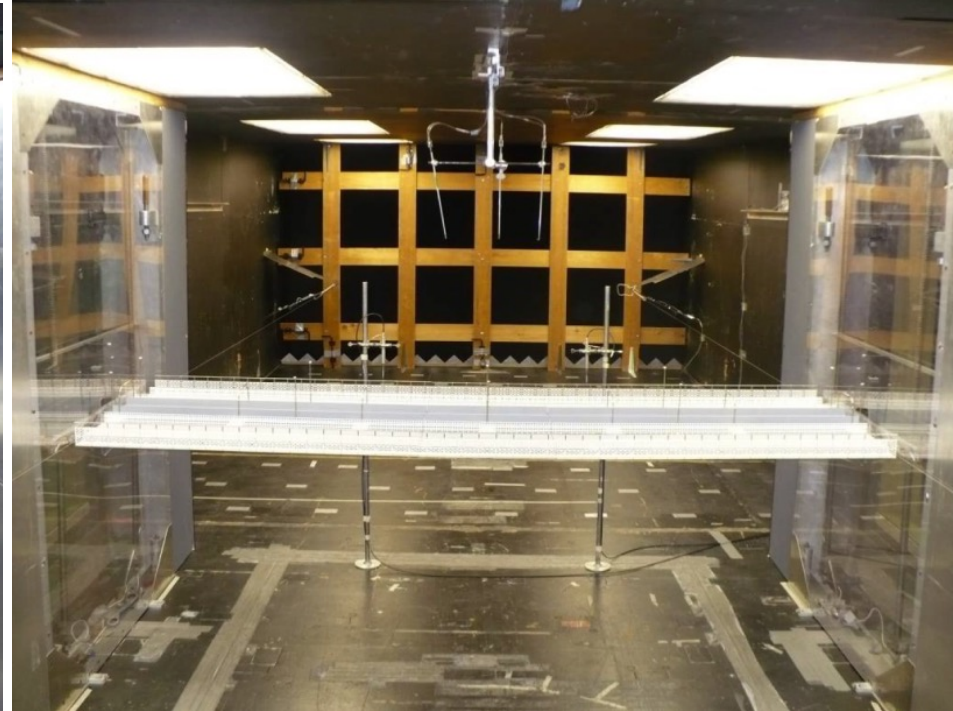
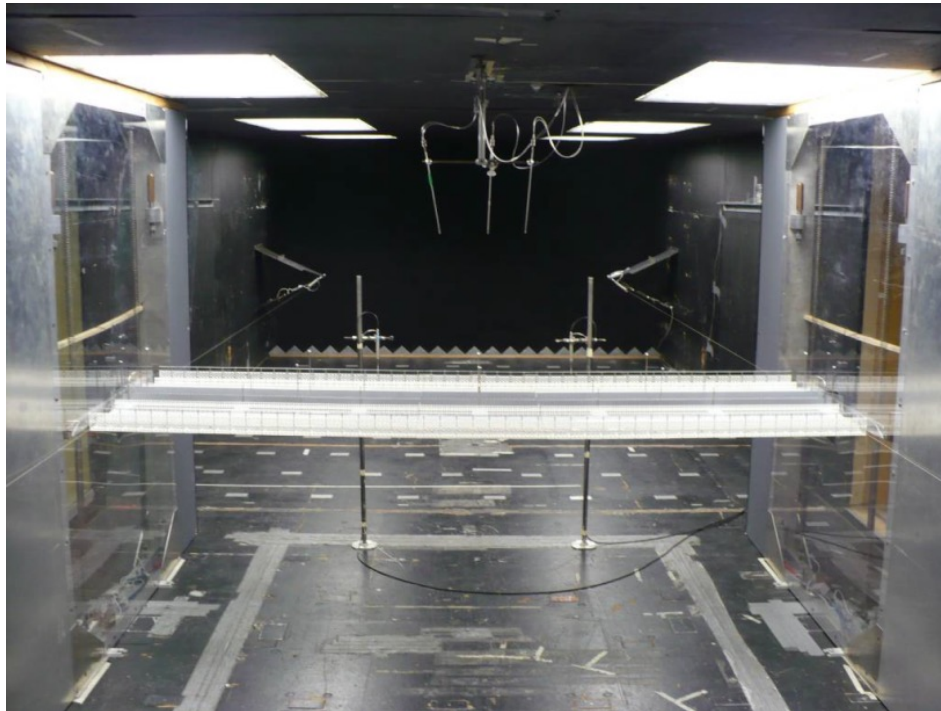
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NRC (Ottawa Canada):

National Research Council Canada

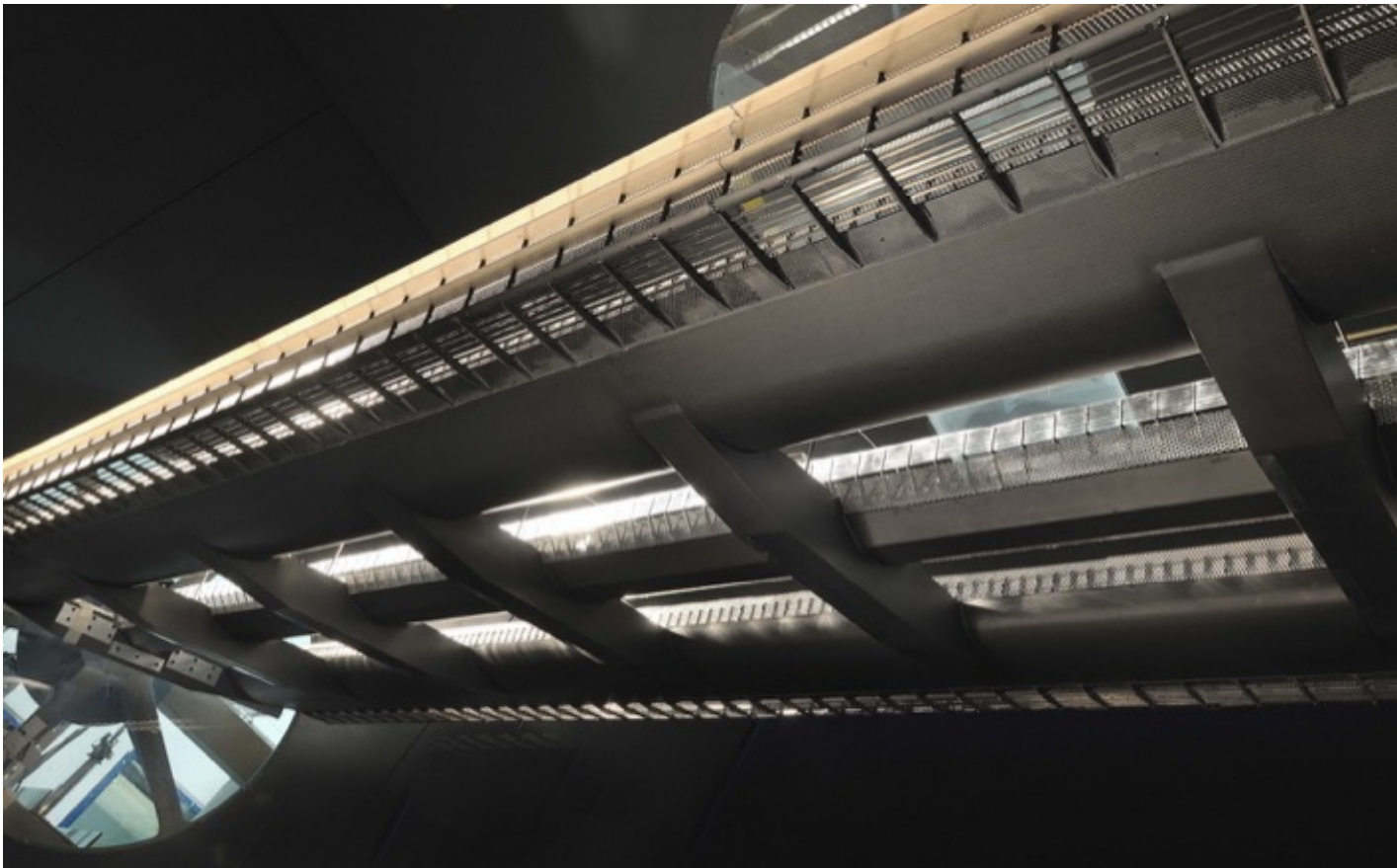


- Model scale: 1: 30 (Deck chord = 2.0 m)
- Maximum wind speed: up to 55 m/s ( $Re = 7.3 \cdot 10^6$ )
- Investigated: Stability – Vortex shedding



POLIMI (Milan Italy):

- Model scale: 1: 45 (Deck chord = 1.33 m)
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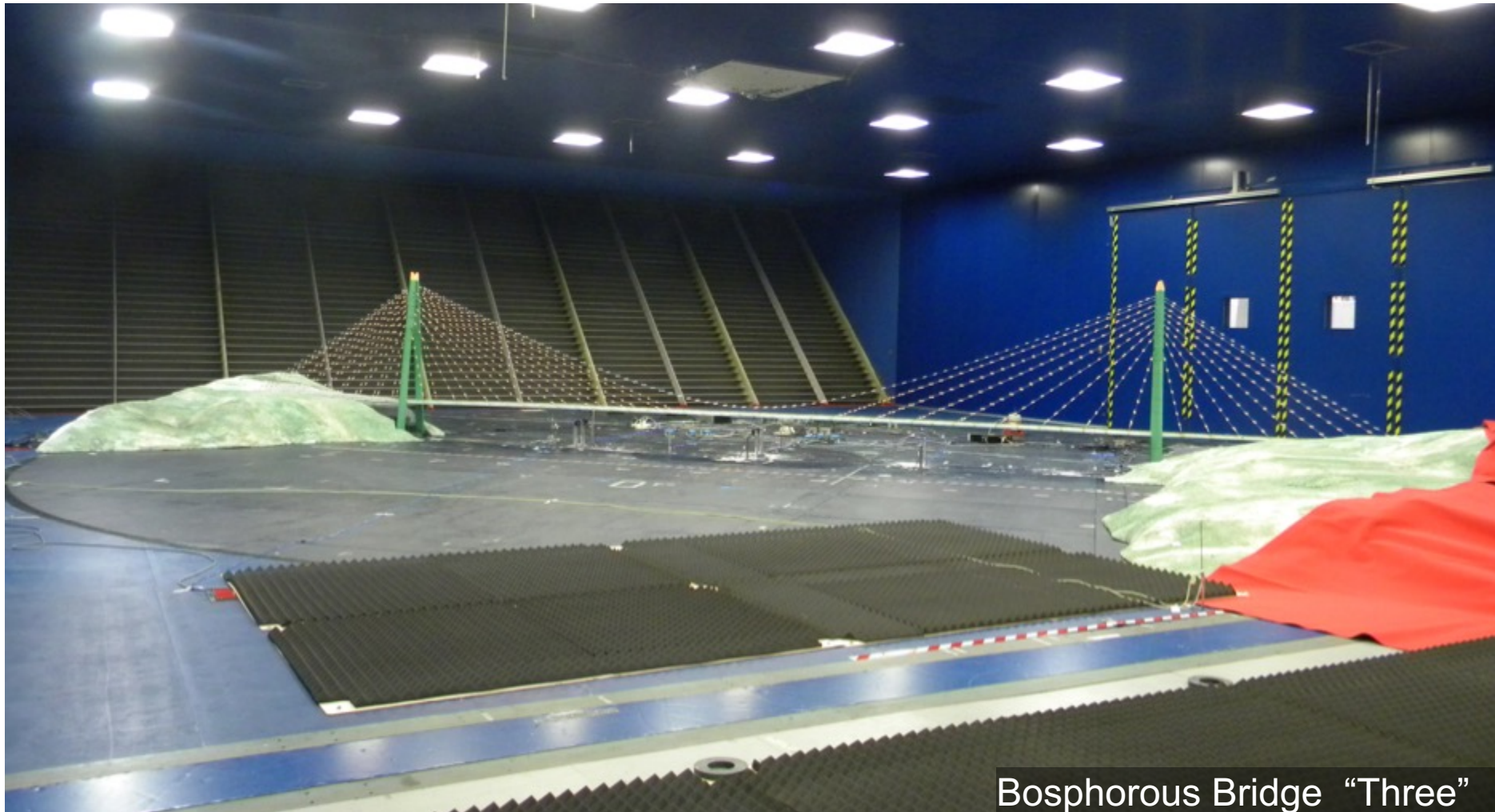
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- Combined effects of exposure angle and upwind roughness considered
- e.g.: incoming turbulent wind Exposure  $45^\circ \rightarrow 347^\circ$  NW



Bosphorous Bridge “Three”

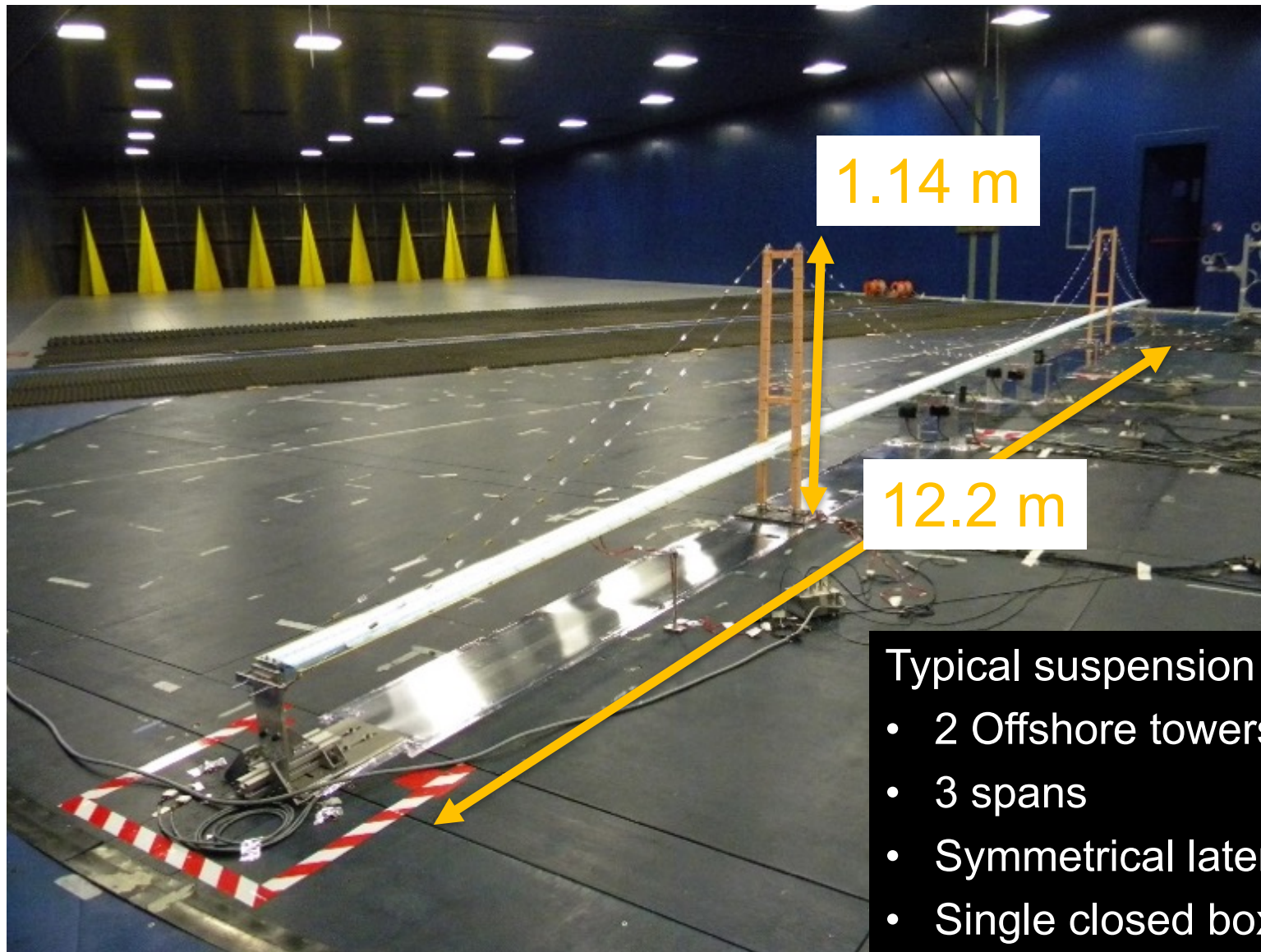


- Length scale 1:300 / Total length 13.8m / All suspended spans present
- The whole model is positioned on a turning table



Multibox deck girder (Messina)

# Full Aeroelastic Bridge @POLIMI Izmit Bay Bdg



Typical suspension bridge:

- 2 Offshore towers
- 3 spans
- Symmetrical lateral spans
- Single closed box deck

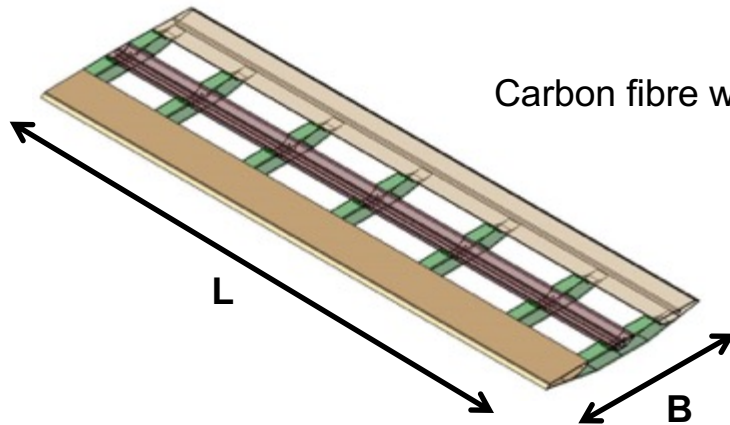
# Wind actions: Vortex Induced Vibrations (VIV)

- Problems and solutions related to wind effects:
  1. Static loads
  2. One degree of freedom instability
  3. Flutter instability
  4. Buffeting
  5. **Vortex shedding**



# VIV: Deck Shape Optimization (scale 1:45)

## TWO SECTIONAL MODELS

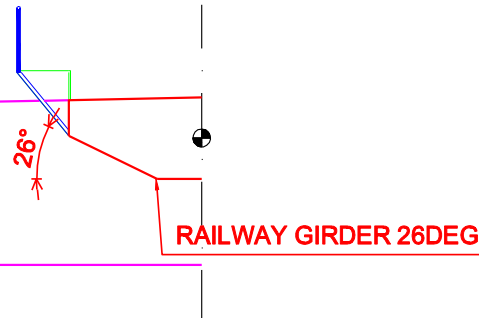


Carbon fibre with fittings glued on

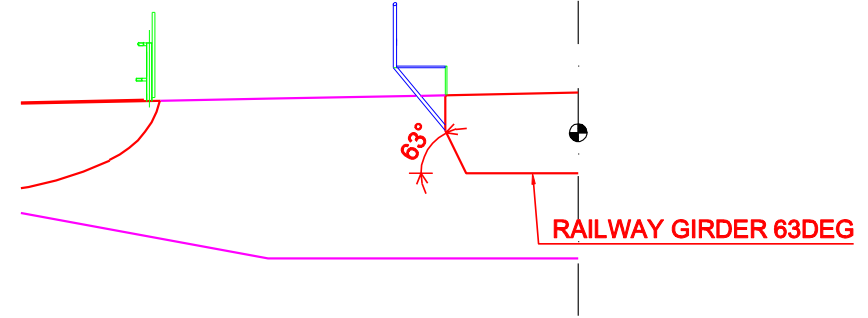
length $L$ [m]	4
width $B$ [m]	1.33
Aspect ratio $L/B$	3

➤ The models differ for the shape of the railway girder

**MB01**



**MB02**



# VIV: Deck Shape Optimization

(scale 1:45)

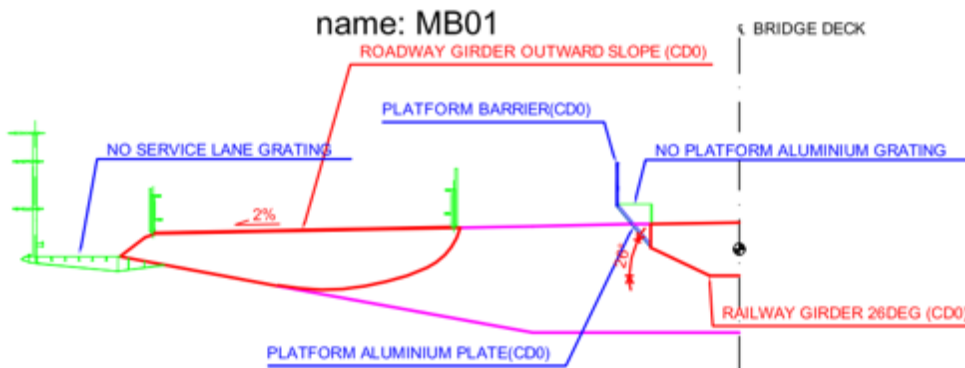


Figure 4.31 Configuration name:MB01

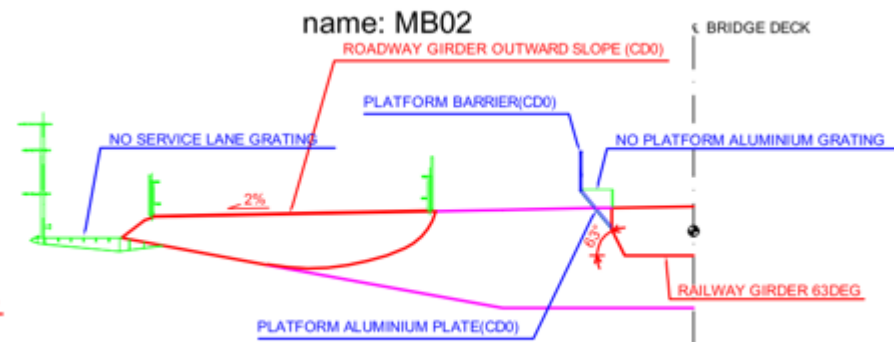


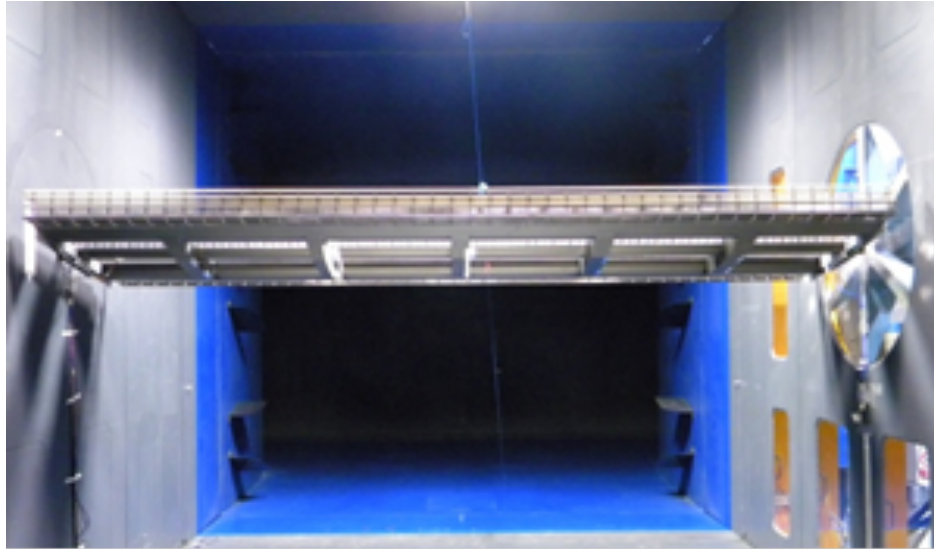
Figure 4.32 Configuration name:MB02



# VIV: (almost) rigid model set-up (scale 1:45)

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External force balance set-up + Pressure Taps

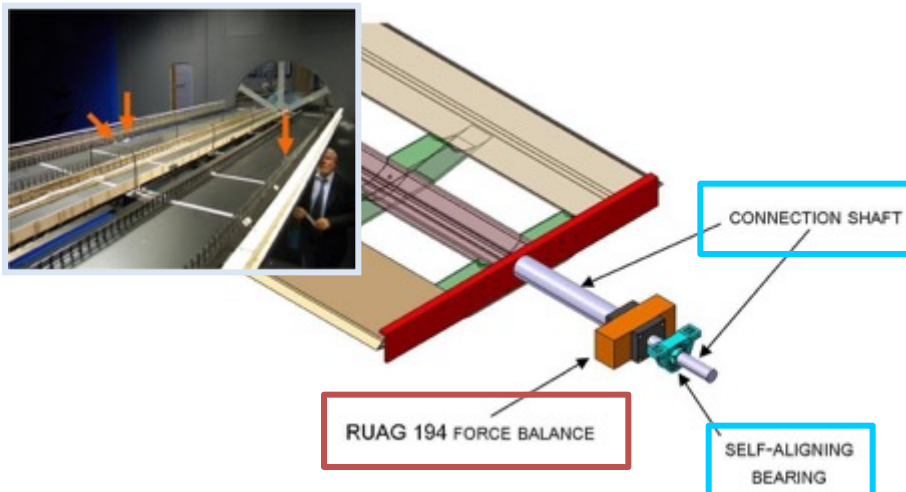


## High velocity test section:

Maximum velocity: 55 m/s

Turbulence level:  $< 0.1\%$

The model was placed in the middle of the test section and it spanned all the test section width

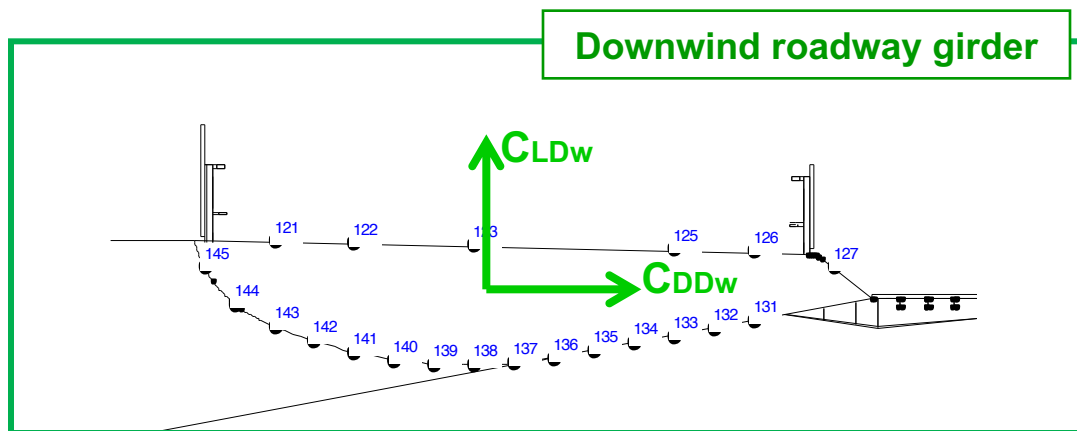
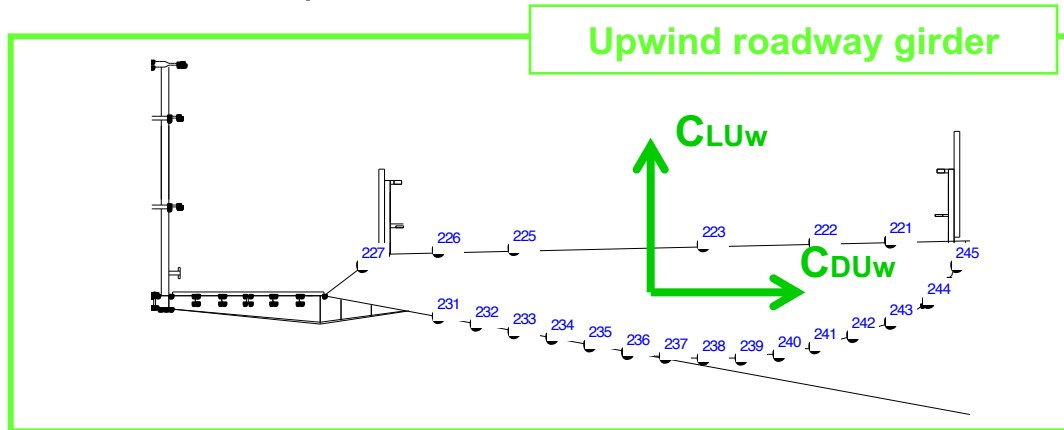


External force balances to measure drag, lift and moment loads

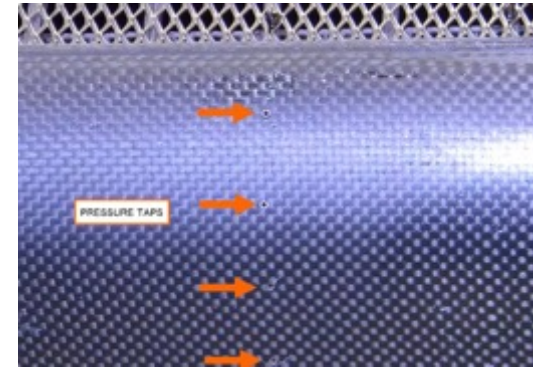
The constrain system permit to change the angle of attack by using a hydraulic actuator

Accelerometers to measure the dynamic behavior of the models

## Pressure taps distribution



## Pressure Taps on Deck



Measuring points connected to high sample rate pressure scanners

Non dimensional pressure coefficients

$$C_p = \frac{P_i - P_s}{q}$$

Non dimensional force coefficients for each roadway girder (by the integration of the surface pressures)

$$C_{DUw}, C_{DUw}, C_{DDw}, C_{LDw}$$

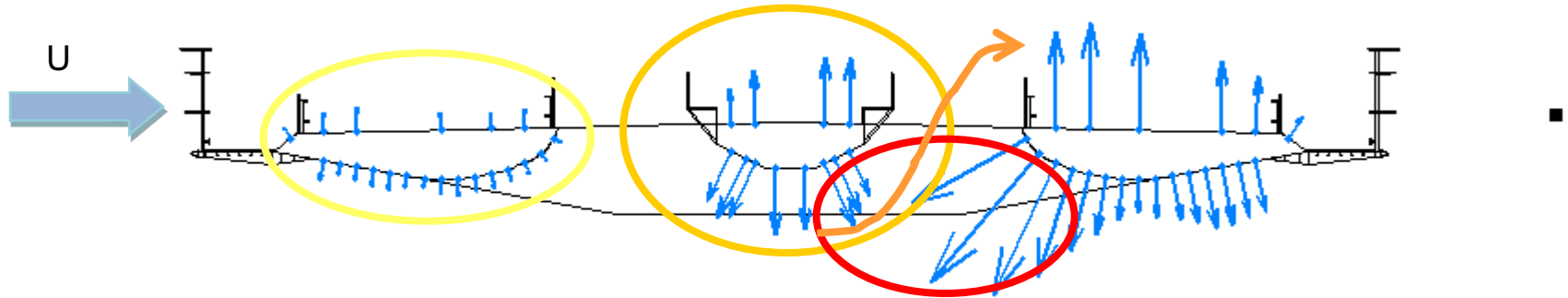


# VIV: (almost) rigid model set-up (scale 1:45)

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## Pressure Taps VIV Analysis

Model: MB01



➤ **Peak spectra** of the pressure coefficients at  $V=4.64$  m/s (excitation of the first flexural frequency of the model)

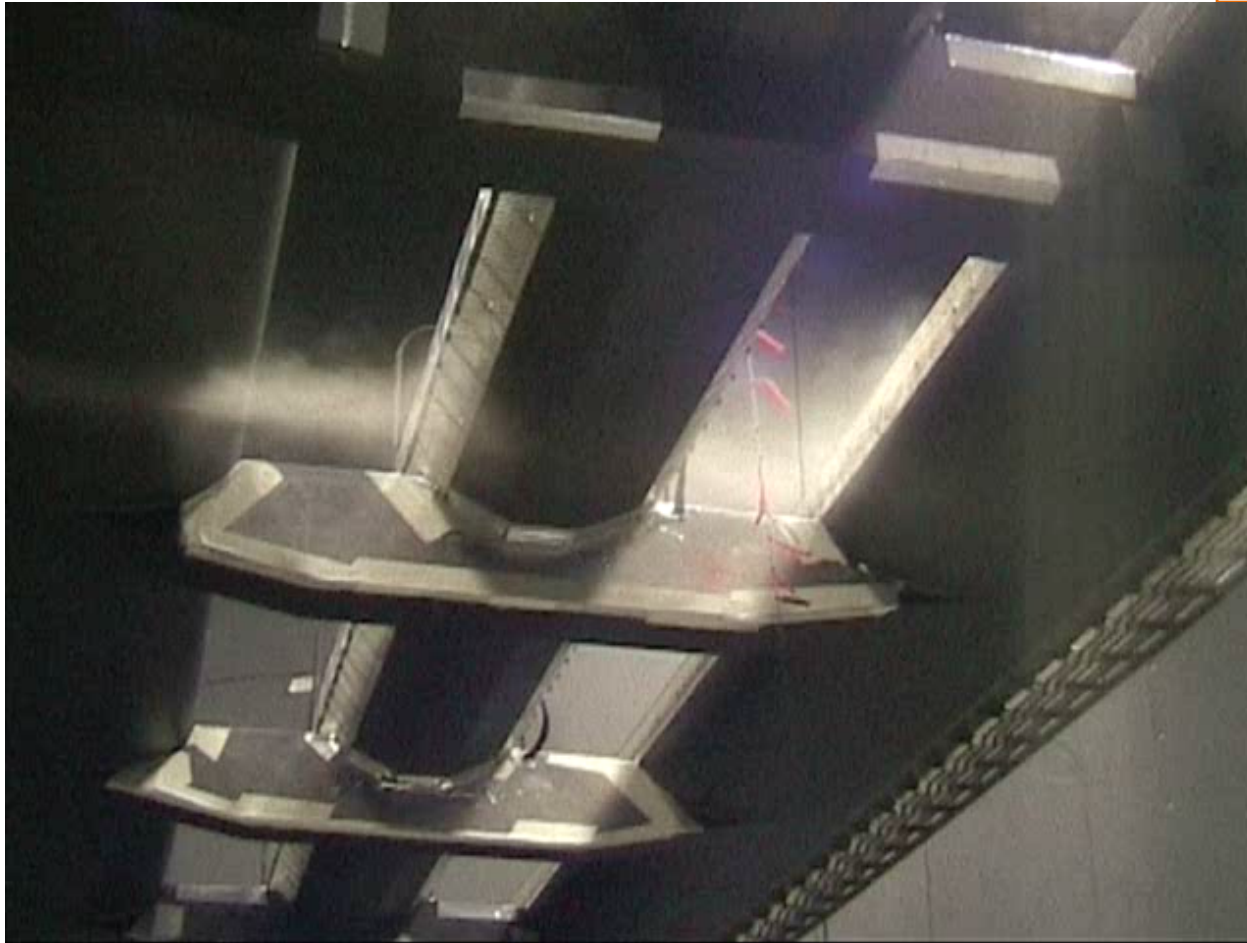
- Small peaks on the Upwind roadway girder
- Main role of the railway girder in the vortex street definition
- Flow in the gap between railway girder and the Downwind roadway girder influences the vortex way
- Strong pressure fluctuations can be observed in the gap

# VIV: (almost) rigid model set-up (scale 1:45)

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Flow Visualization VIV Analysis

Model: MB01

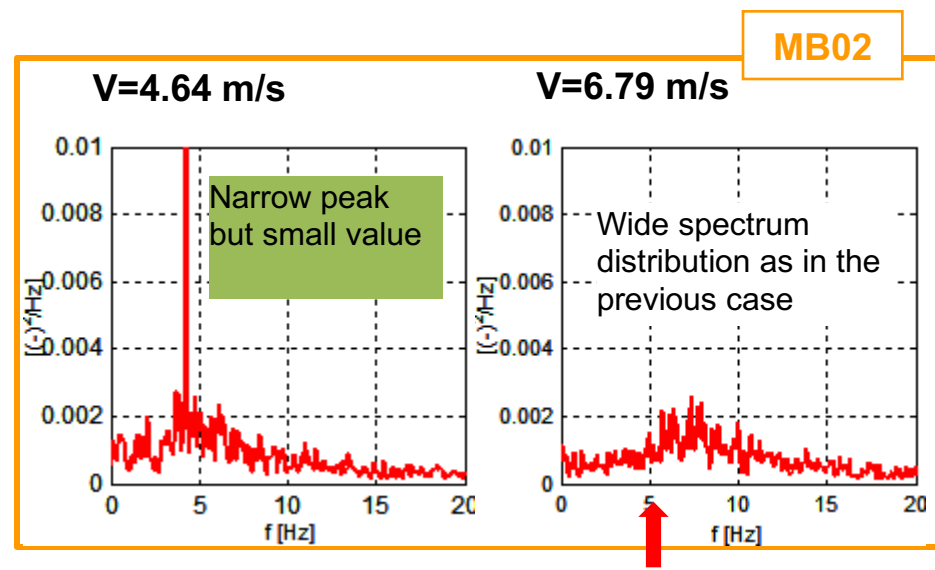
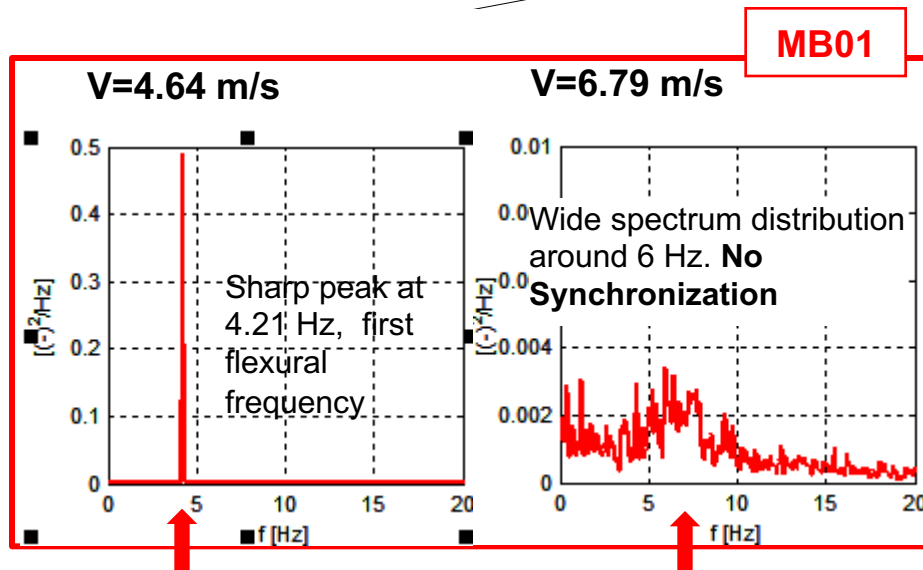
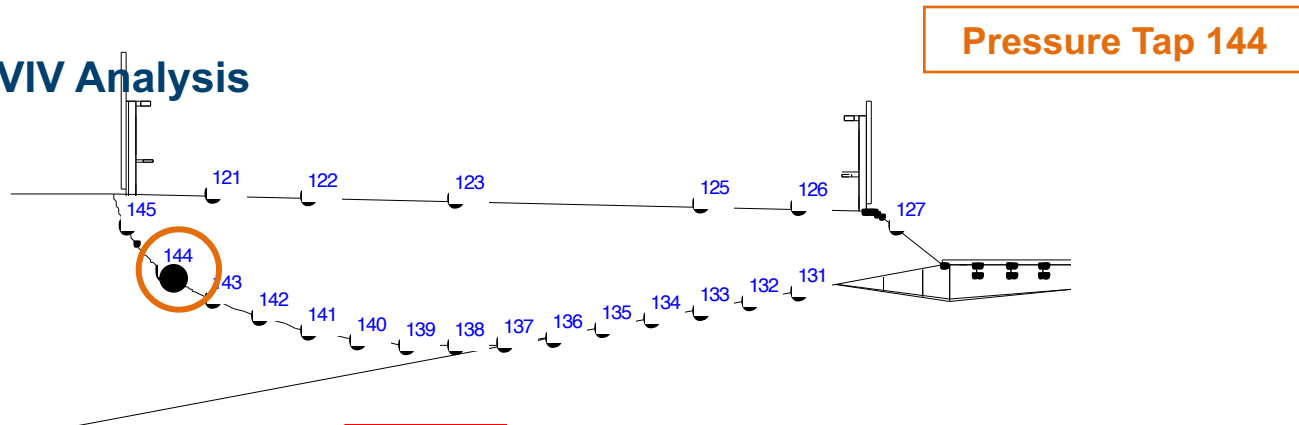


**VORTEX SHEDDING ANALYSIS**

# VIV: (almost) rigid model set-up (scale 1:45)

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## Pressure Taps VIV Analysis



➡ Model MB02 seems to experience vortex shedding as model MB01, but with a lower level

➡ The shape of the railway girder has been evaluated fundamental in influencing vortex shedding phenomenon

# VIV: Low mass-damping set-up (scale 1:45)

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✚ Elastically suspended rigid model: Low Frequency set-up



## Boundary layer test section:

- ✚ Maximum velocity: 15 m/s
- ✚ Turbulence level: < 2 %

The model was suspended on stays and springs in order to obtain:

- ✚ Low damping ratio i.e. low **Scruton Number**
- ✚ Natural vertical frequency of the model ( $f_n=2.74$  Hz) tuned to have the lock-in region at about **4 m/s**, a wind velocity that permit to have a good excitation by the flow

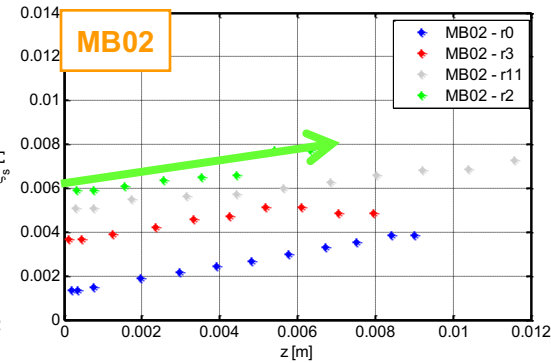
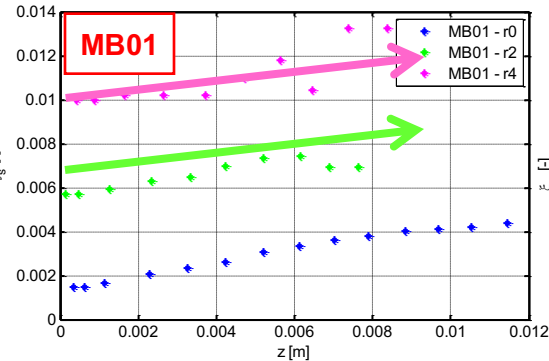
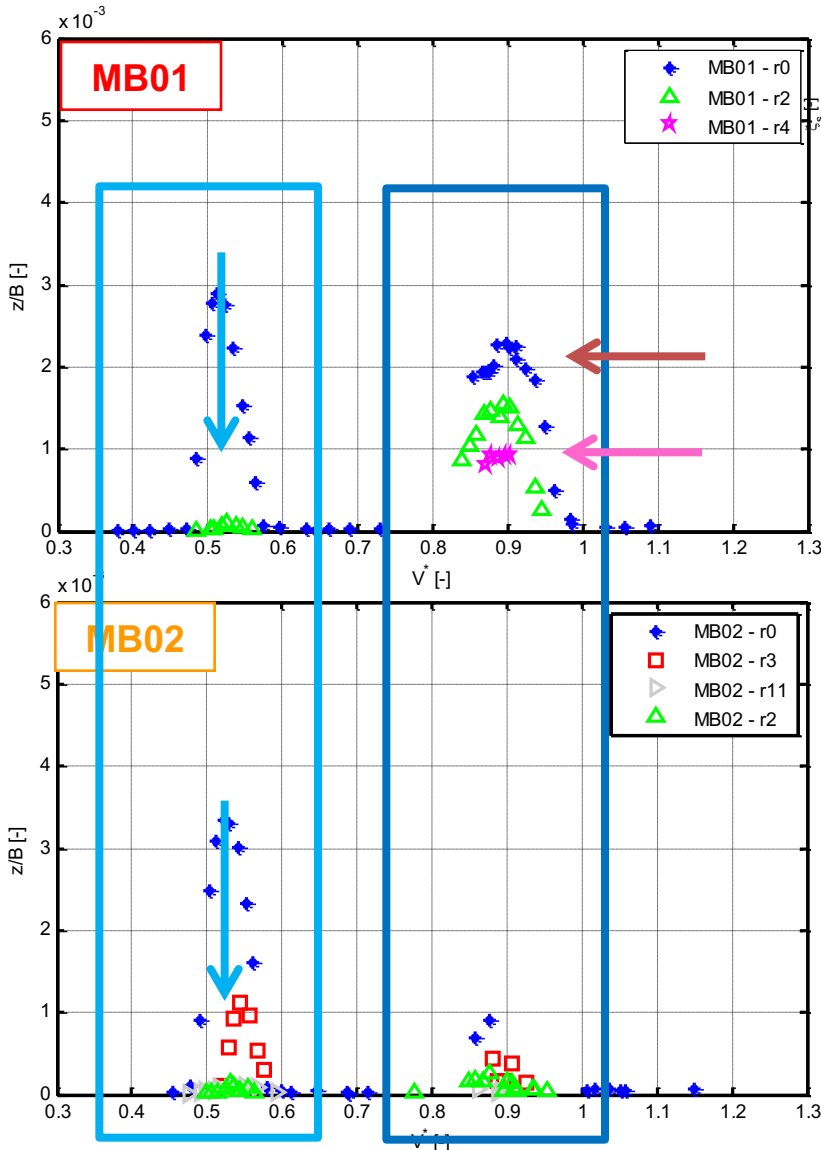


Accelerometers to measure the dynamic behavior of the models

# VIV: Low mass-damping set-up (scale 1:45)

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## STEADY STATE RESPONSE: $z/B$



➤ Different levels of non dimensional damping

## Two lock-in regions

➤  $V^* \approx 0.5$

- ➡ Similar behavior of the two models
- ➡ High sensitivity to damping increase
- ➡  $z/B < 10^{-4}$  with  $\xi = 0.5-0.6$  %

➤  $V^* \approx 0.8$

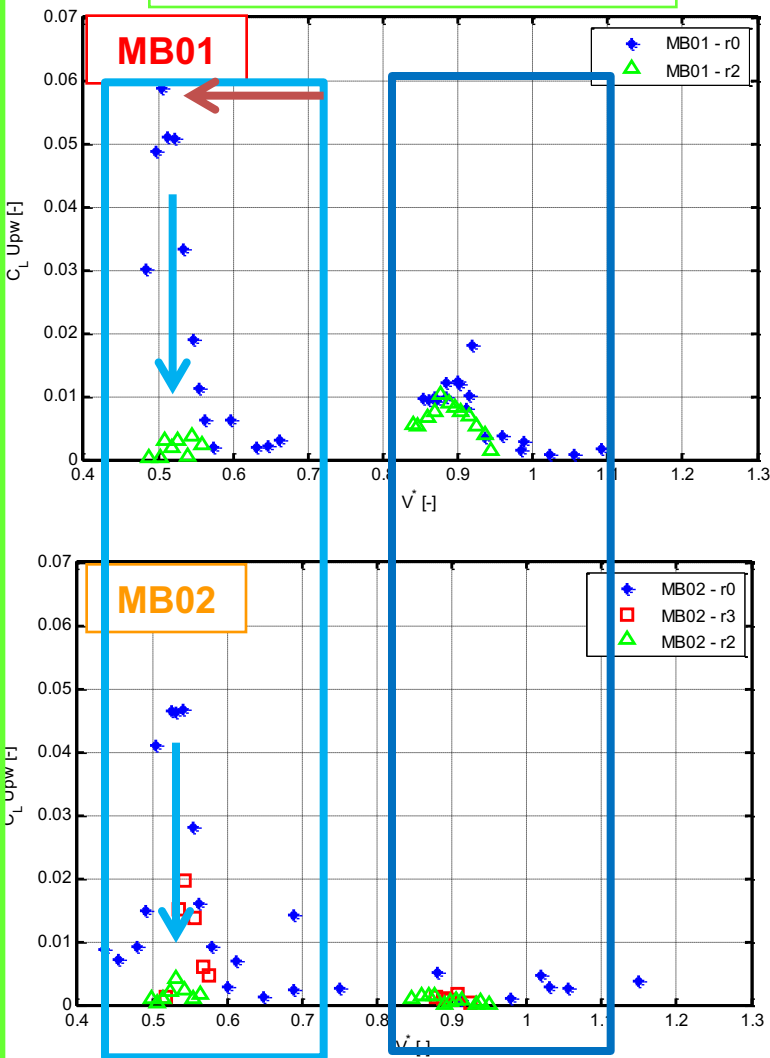
- ➡ Higher amplitude for model MB01
- ➡ Low sensitivity to damping increase
- ➡ **MB01:** high  $z/B$  with  $\xi = 1\%$
- ➡ **MB02:** low  $z/B$  with  $\xi = 0.5\%$

# VIV: Low mass-damping set-up (scale 1:45)

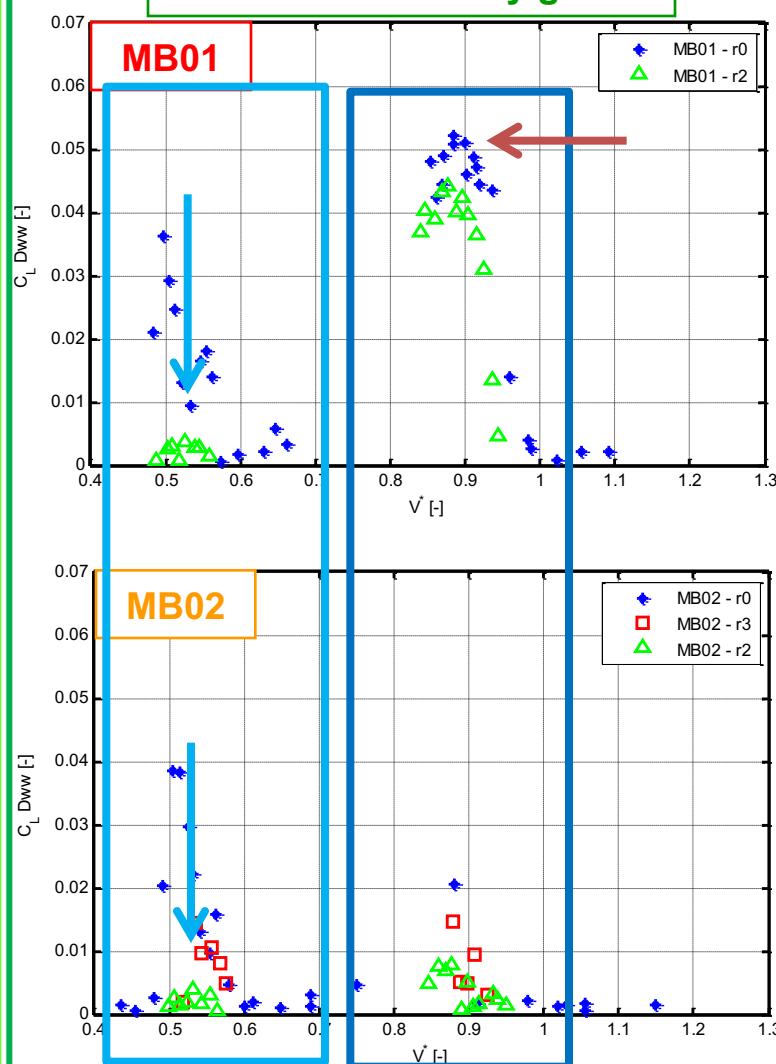
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## STEADY STATE RESPONSE: $C_{LDww}$ , $C_{LUww}$

### Upwind roadway girder



### Downwind roadway girder



## Two lock-in regions

- $V^* \approx 0.5$ 
  - ➡ Similar behavior of the two models
  - ➡ High sensitivity to damping increase
  - ➡ Higher values on the Upwind girder
- $V^* \approx 0.8$ 
  - ➡ Higher level of Lift coefficient for MB01
  - ➡ Higher values on the Downwind girder

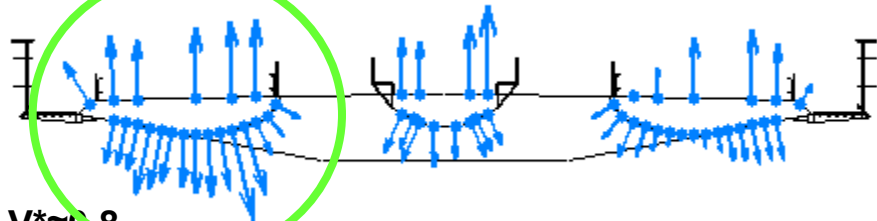
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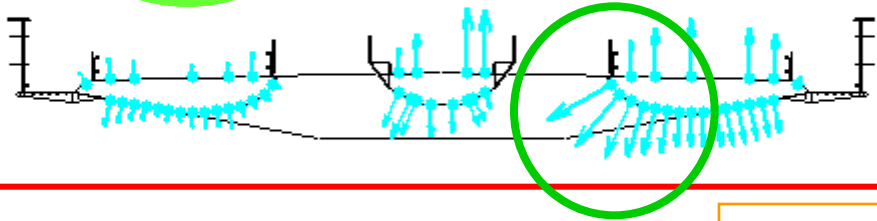
## STEADY STATE RESPONSE: $C_p$ peak spectra

MB01

$V^* \approx 0.5$

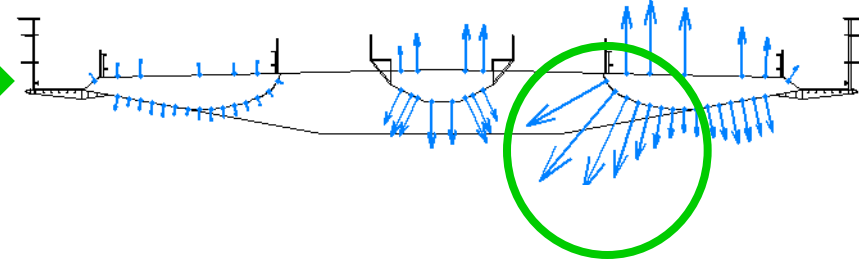


$V^* \approx 0.8$



Similar behavior of the two models: higher pressures in the Upwind roadway girder than in the Downwind one

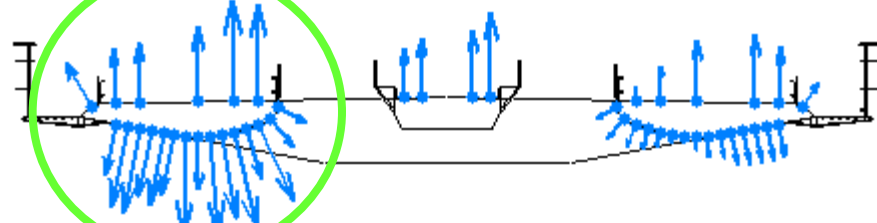
Similar to pressure distribution observed with external balance set-up



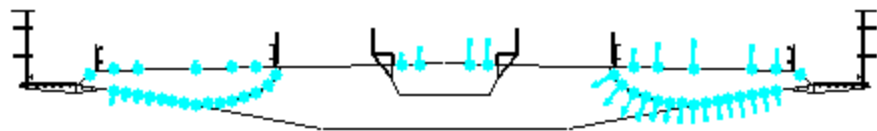
High pressures

MB02

$V^* \approx 0.5$



$V^* \approx 0.8$



Very low values of surface pressure



# Something more “In Deep”

**Large displacements / Large Angle of Attack**

**→ Non Linearities !!!**

# Aerodynamic force hysteresis loops: non linear effects

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Flutter derivatives are measured using small variation of the angle of attack around a mean value:

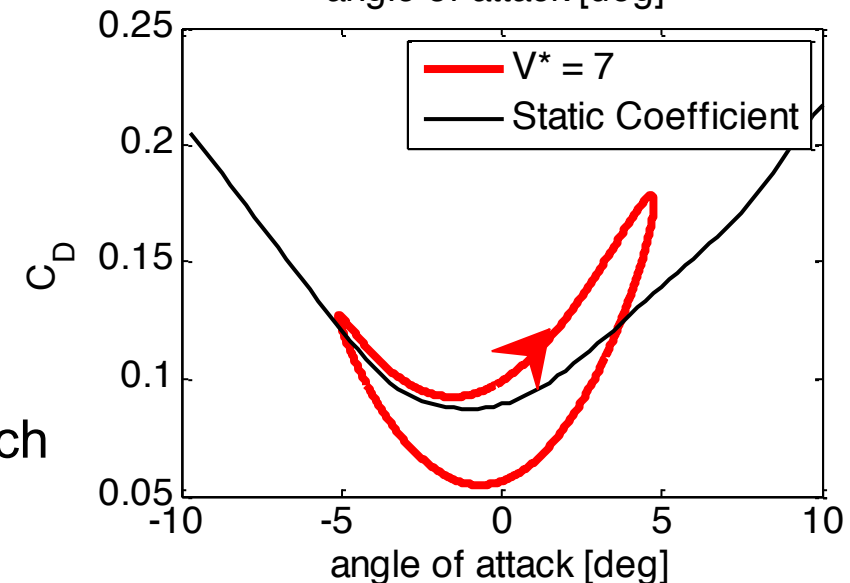
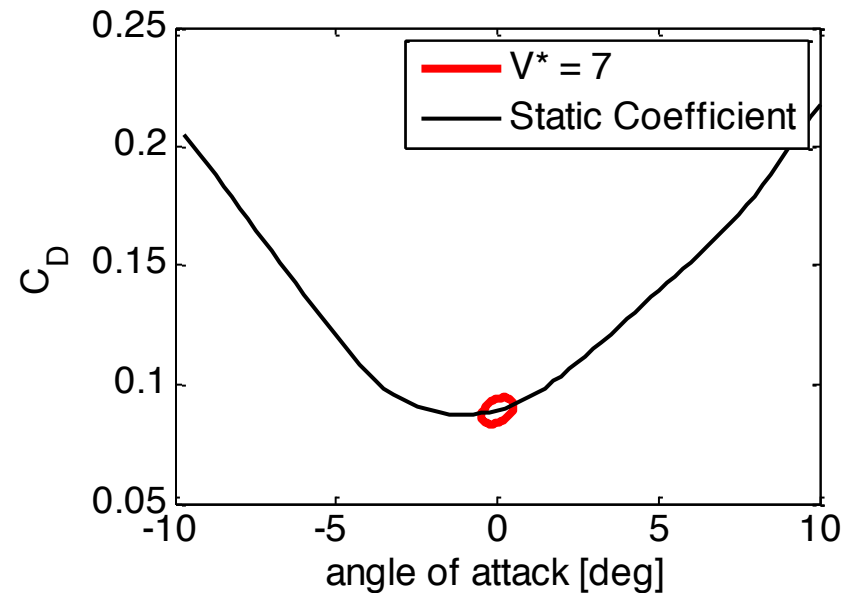
→ Linear information

→ “Frequency-Domain-Born” approach

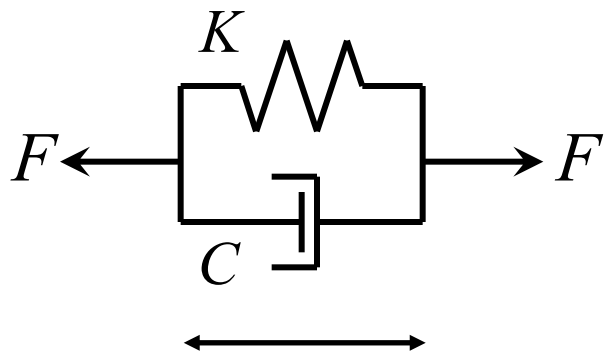
Hysteresis loops are measured using large variation of the angle of attack around a mean value:

→ Non Linear information

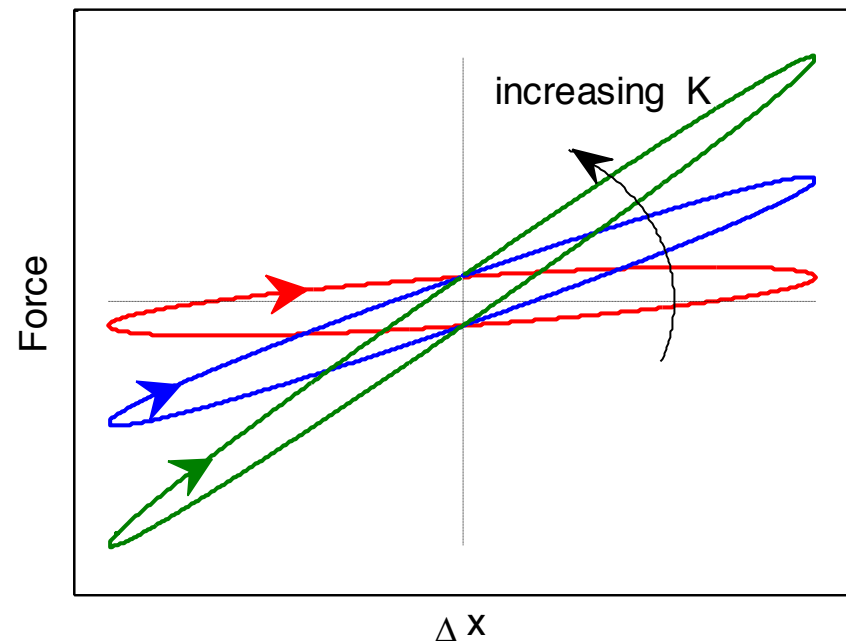
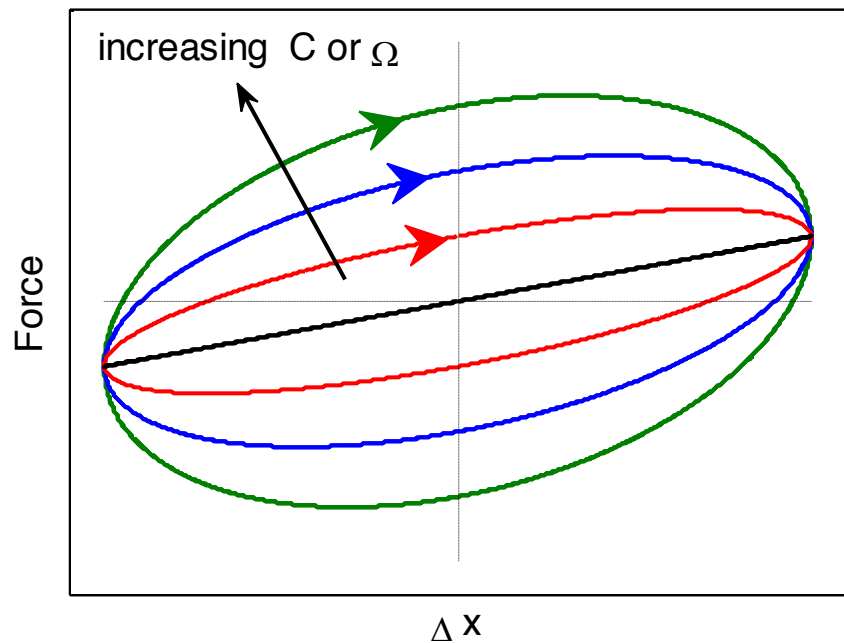
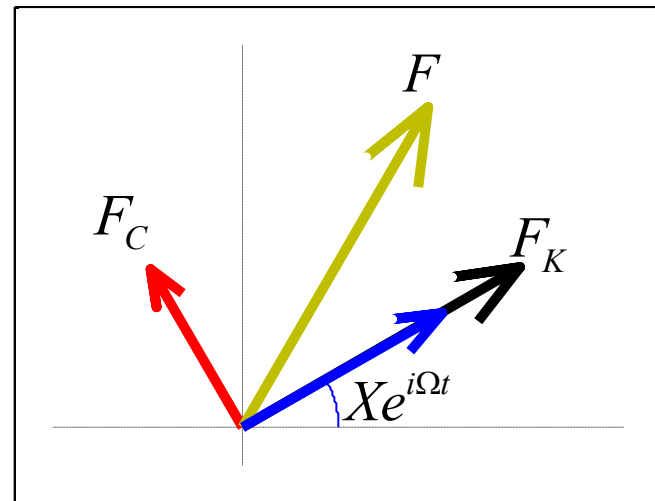
→ Typical “Time-Domain-Born” approach



# Force hysteresis loops: aeroelastic interpretation

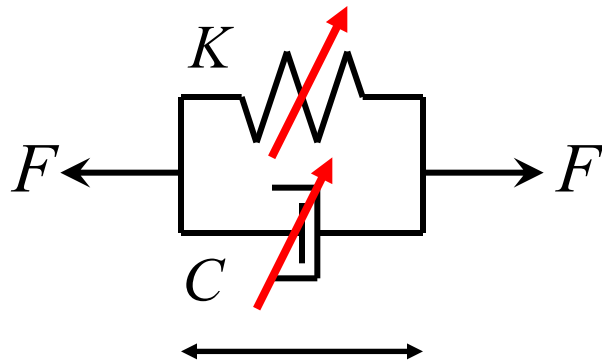


$$\Delta x = X e^{i\Omega t}$$



# Force hysteresis loops: non linear effects

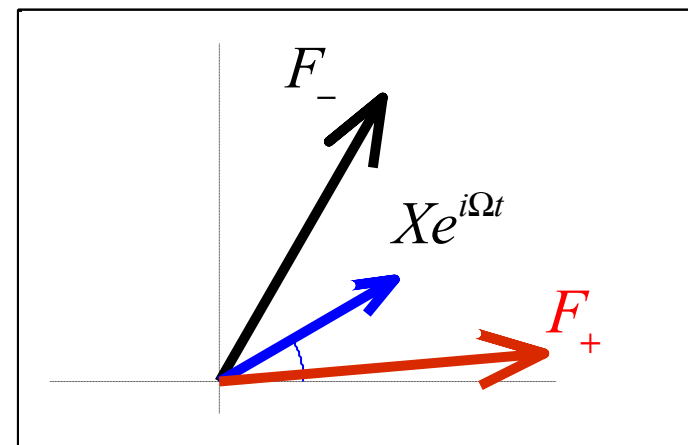
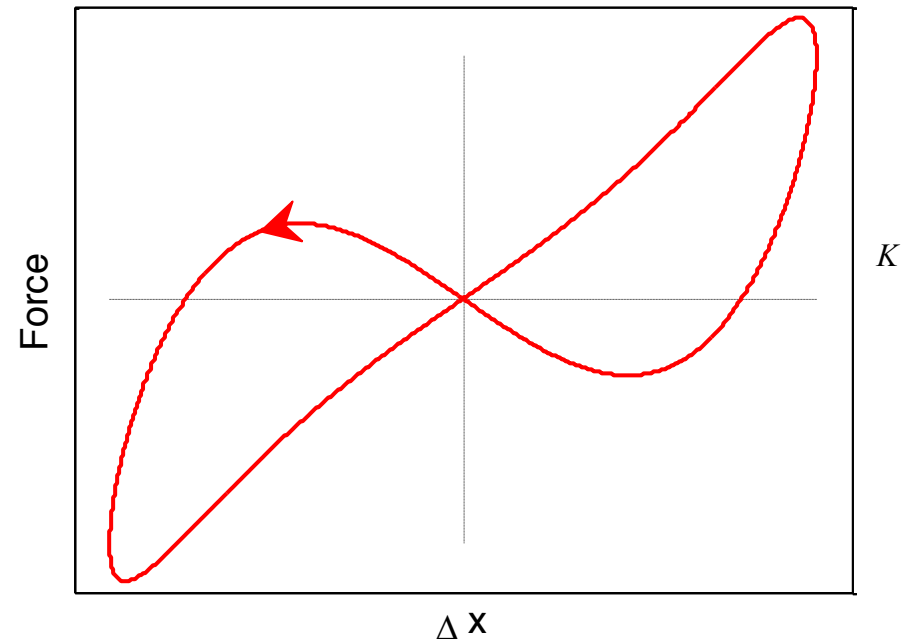
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$$\Delta x = X e^{i\Omega t}$$

The phase shift between force and displacement (clockwise or anti-clockwise path) represents whether energy is lost or gained

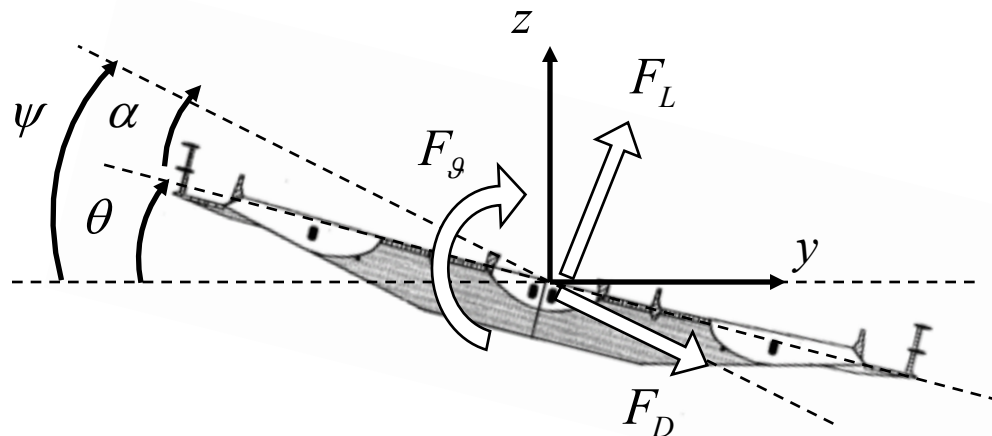
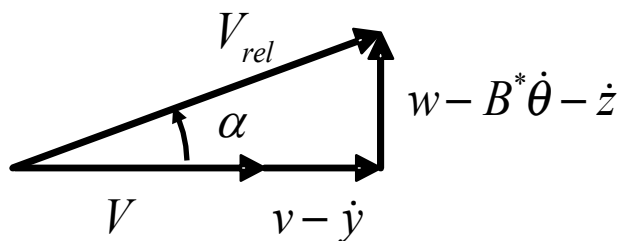
The area of the loop represents the work done by the force in each cycle.



# Dynamic angle of attack

Aerodynamic forces are a non linear function of the angle of attack and of the reduced velocity:

$$F_{Aero} = F_{Aero}(\psi, V^*)$$



General configuration

$$\psi = \theta + \alpha = \theta + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{-B^* \dot{\theta} - \dot{z} + w}{V + v - \dot{y}} \right)$$

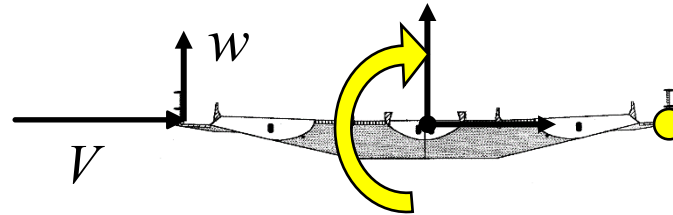
Forced motion test

$$\psi_{\theta} = \theta + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{-B^* \dot{\theta}}{V} \right)$$

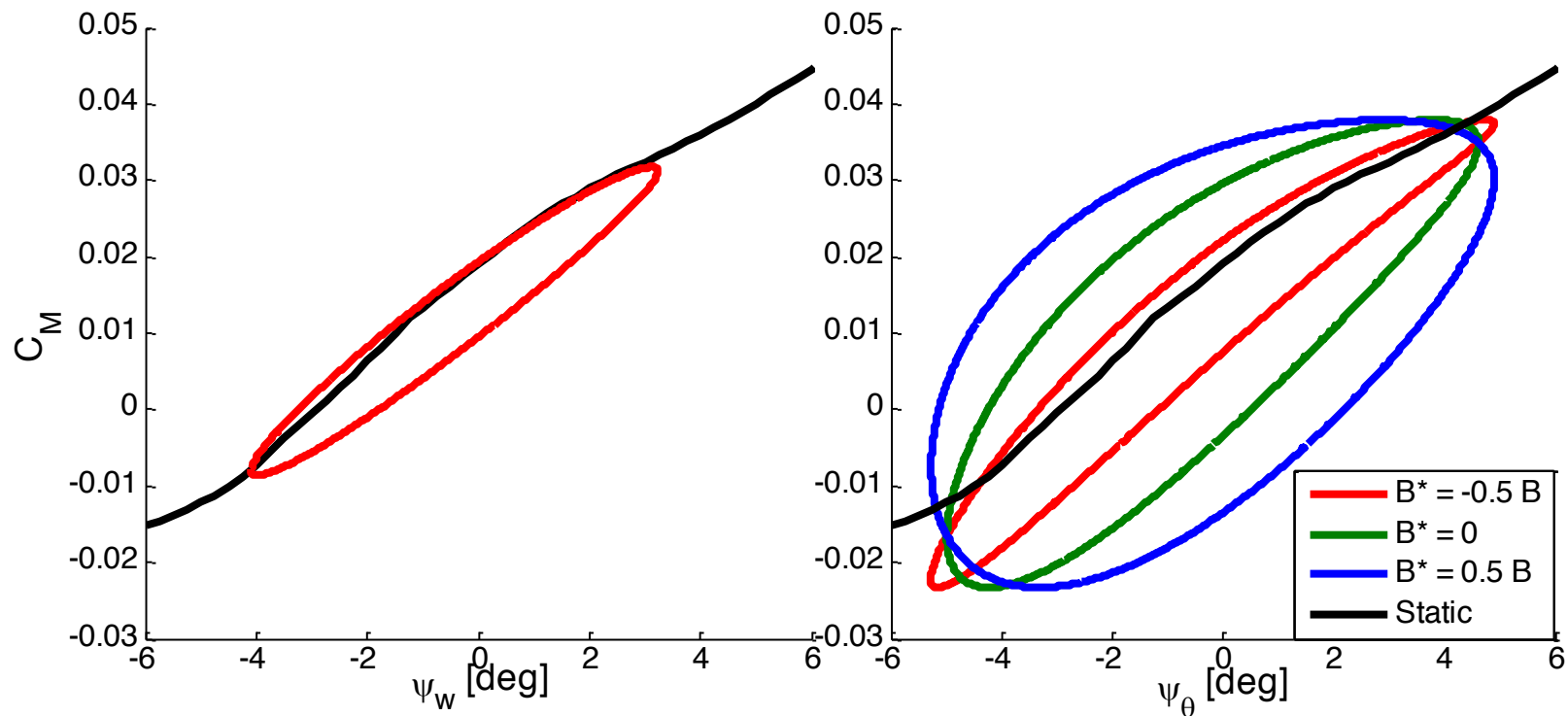
Buffeting tests

$$\psi_w = \theta + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{w}{V} \right)$$

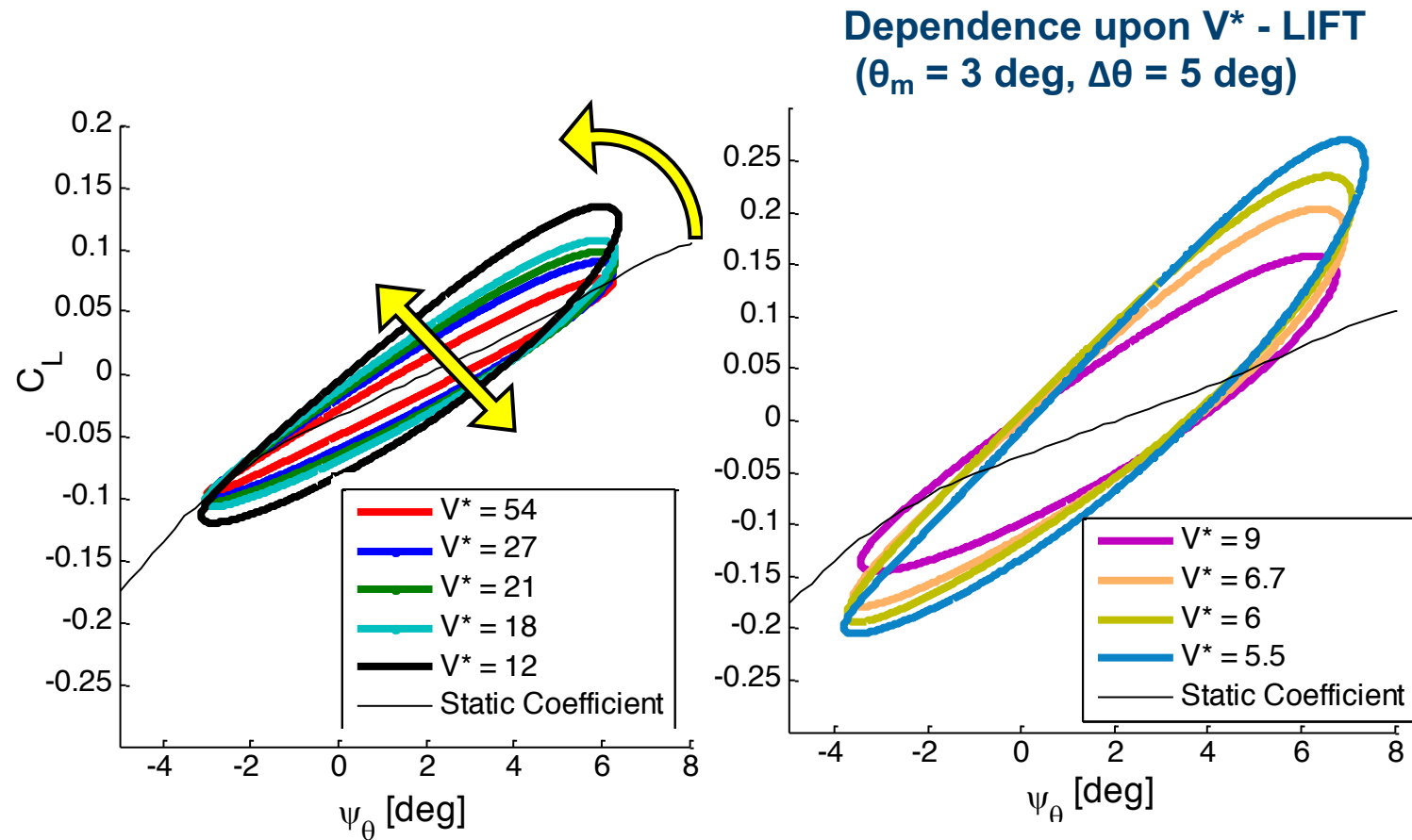
Choice of  $B^*$  - Moment  
( $V^* = 9$ ,  $\theta_m = 0$  deg,  $\Delta\theta = 5$  deg)



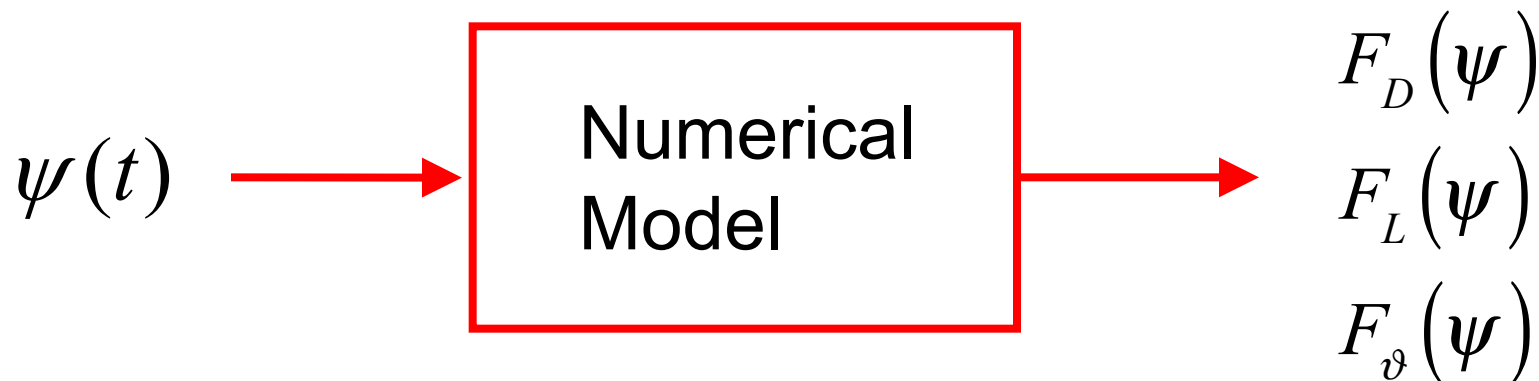
$$B^* = -B / 2$$







$\psi_\theta$  Tests are considered in the model identification since we can analyze more  $V^*$



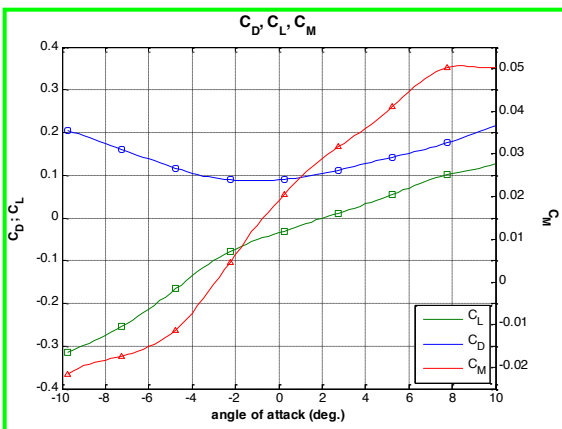
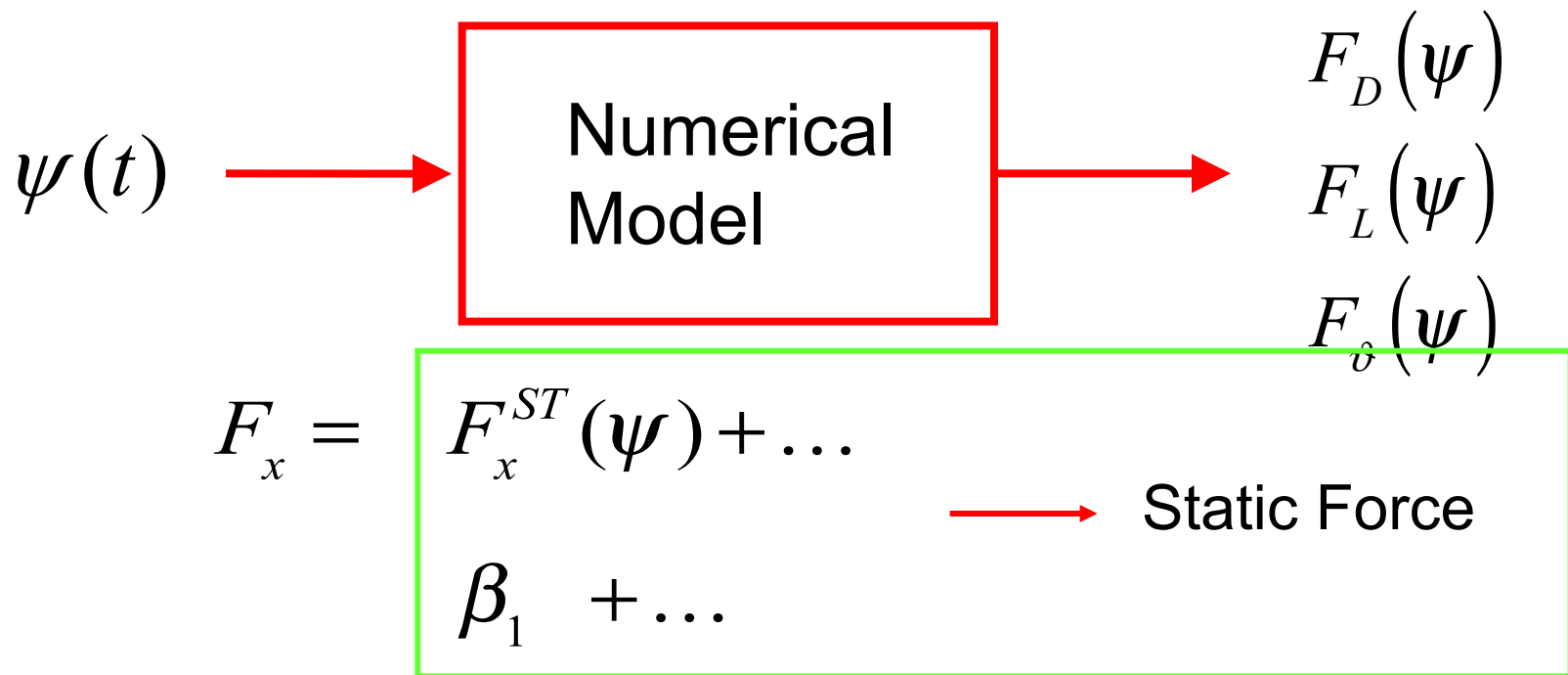
$$F_x = F_x^{ST}(\psi) + \dots$$

$$\beta_1 + \dots$$

$$\beta_2 \psi + \beta_3 \dot{\psi} + \dots$$

$$\beta_4 \psi^2 + \beta_5 \psi \dot{\psi} + \dots$$

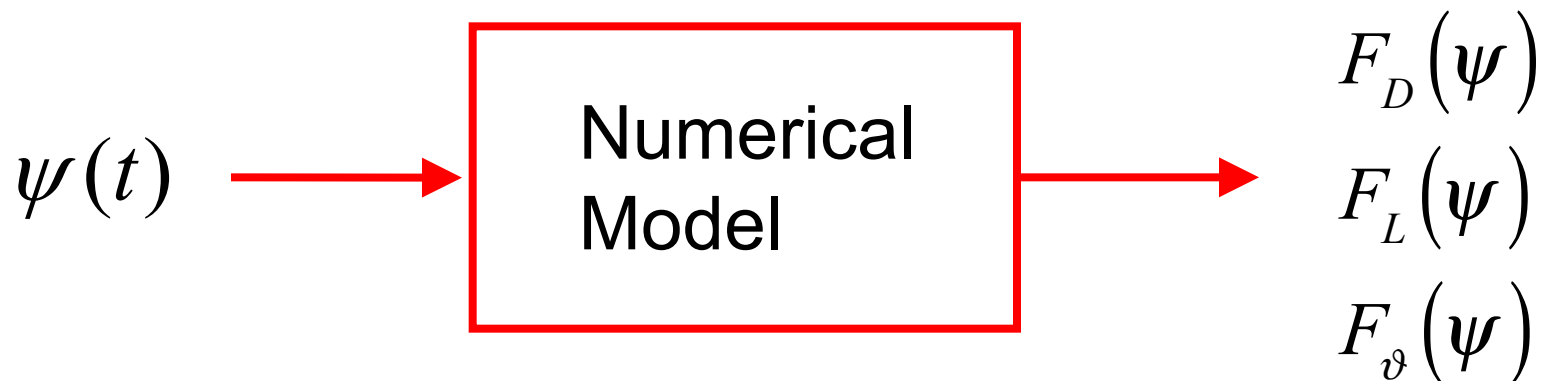
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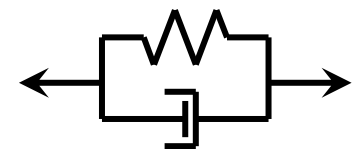
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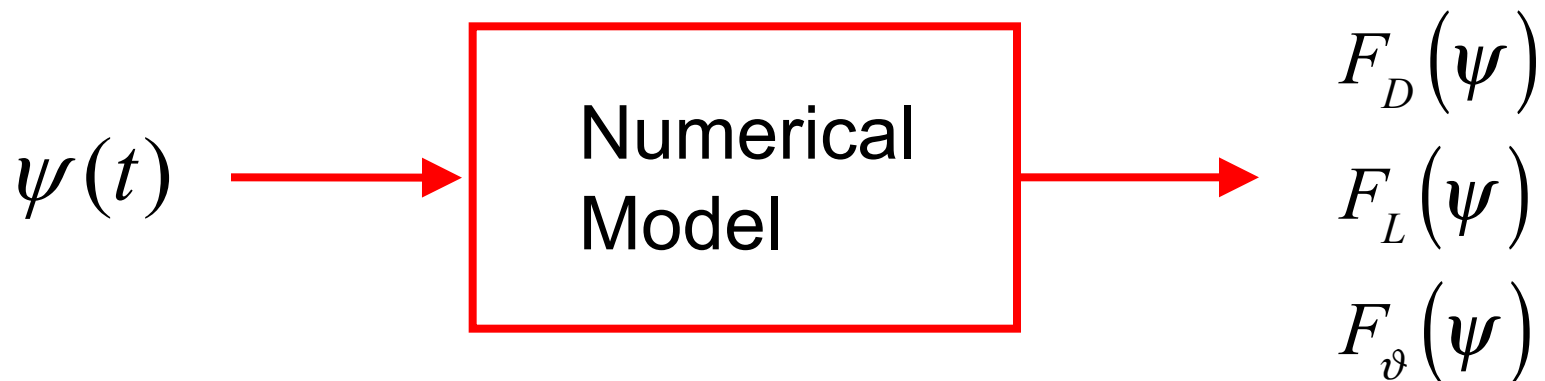
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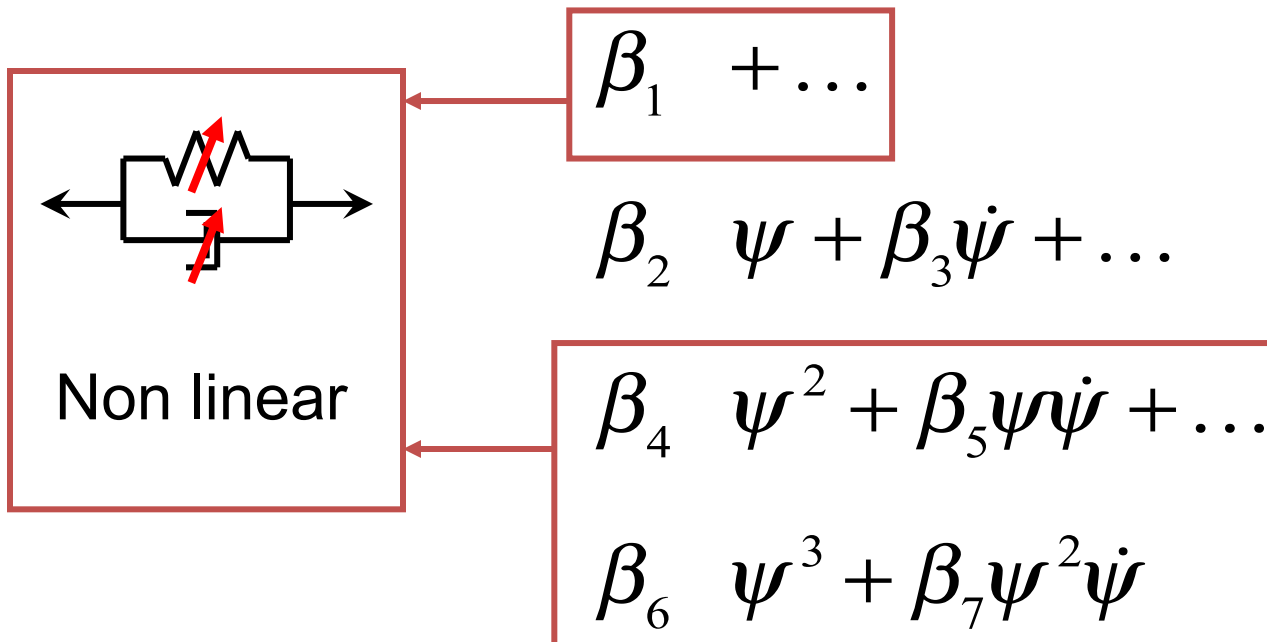
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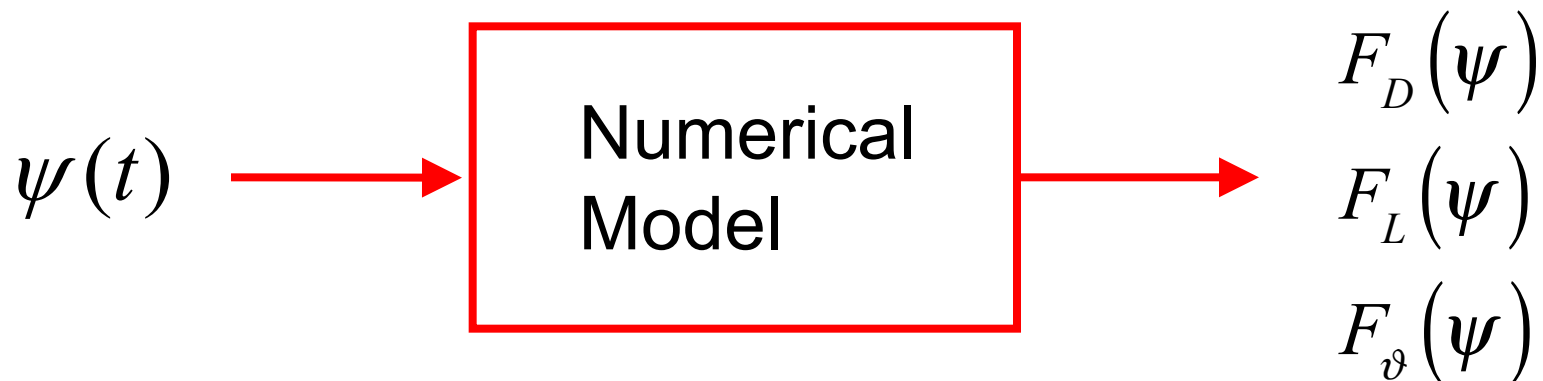


linear



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$$\beta_1 + \dots$$

$$\beta_2 \psi + \beta_3 \dot{\psi} + \dots \quad \Rightarrow \text{Identification of } \beta_i$$

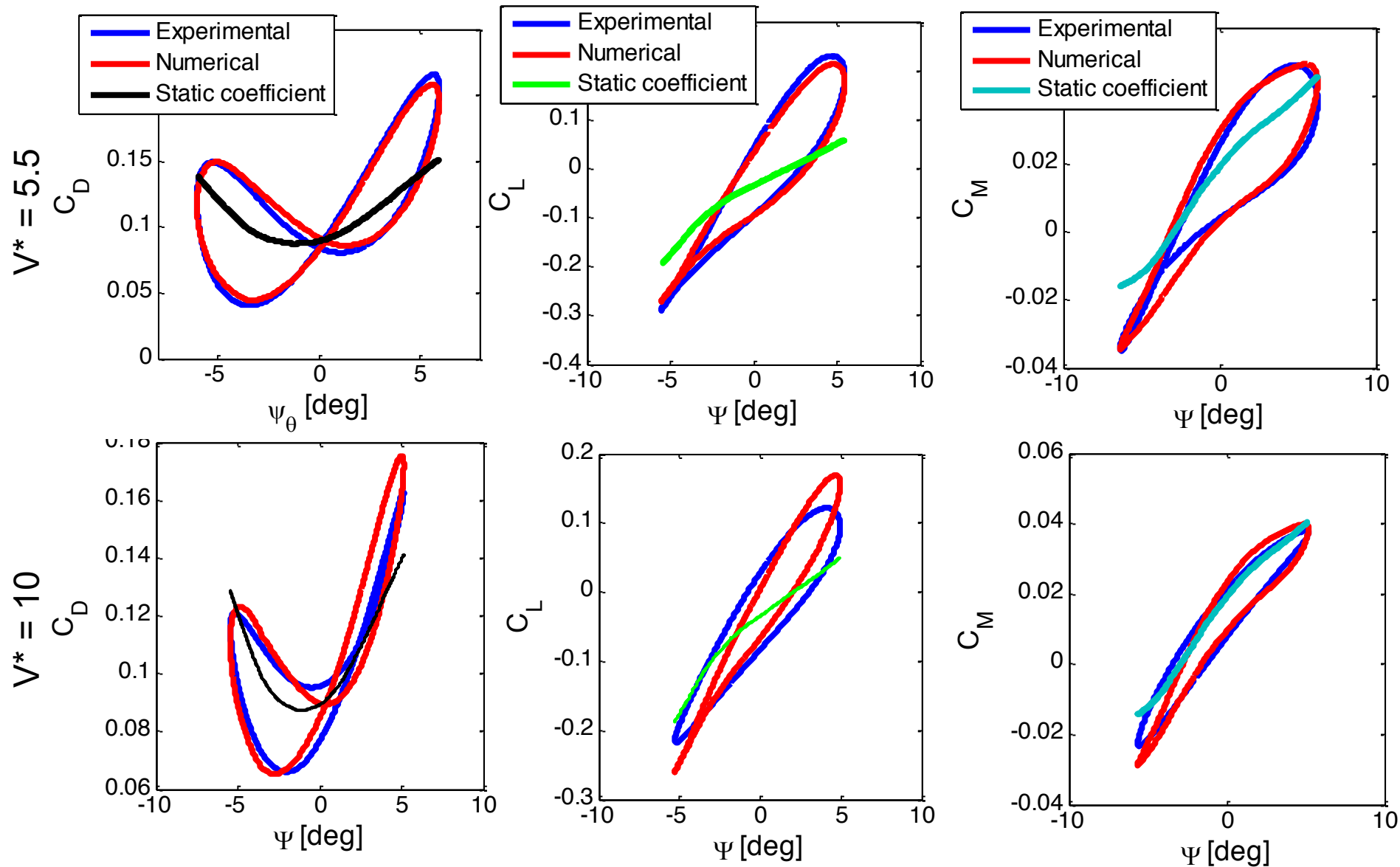
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# Rheological model approach: Num-Exp-Comp.

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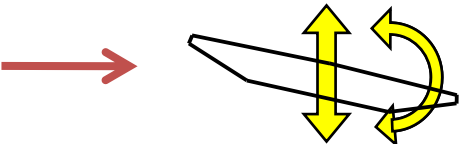



# Something more “In Deep”

**Explaining the Global Force Effects ...**

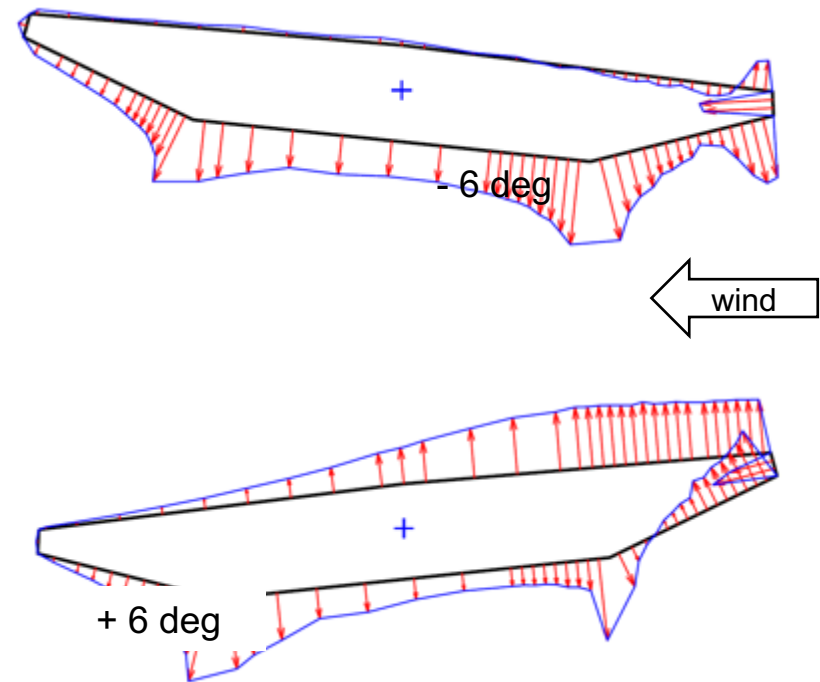
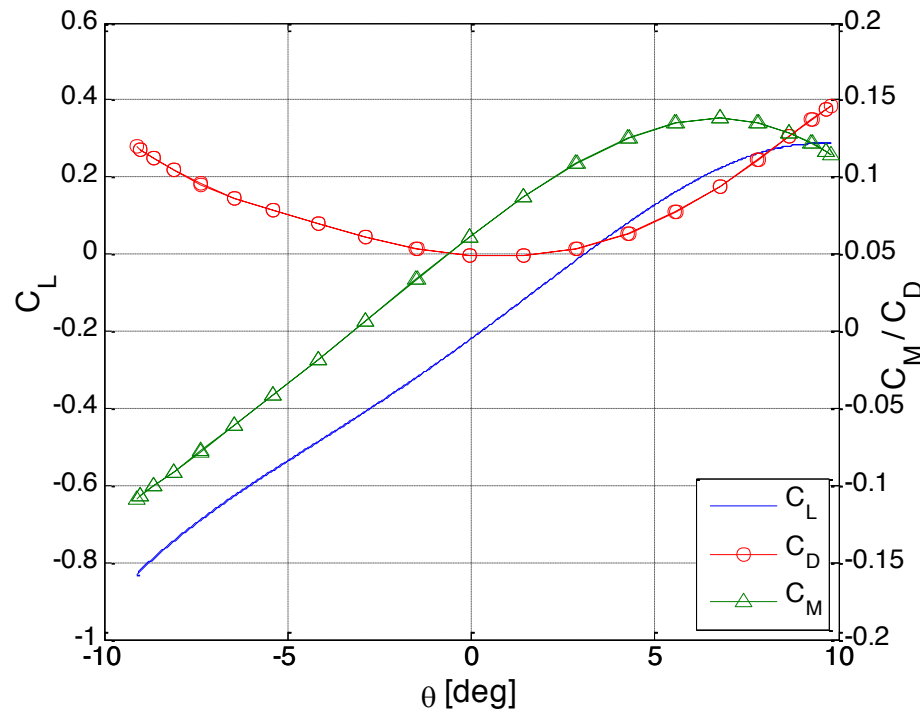
**→ Looking down to Local Pressures !!!**

- To define steady and unsteady aerodynamic forces, we usually adopt global coefficients:

– Static	$M = \frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 B^2 C_M$	
– Self-excited	$M_{se} = \frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 B^2 \left( -a_2^* \frac{i\omega \vartheta B}{V} + a_3^* \vartheta \right)$	
– Buffeting	$M_b = \frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 B^2 \left( \chi_{Mw}^* \frac{w}{V} \right)$	

- Global coefficients are a synthetic representation of the integral action of fluid structure interaction
- While global coefficients are an effective tool for numerical/analytical analyses, a distributed representation allows for a more detailed analysis on the physics of the phenomenon

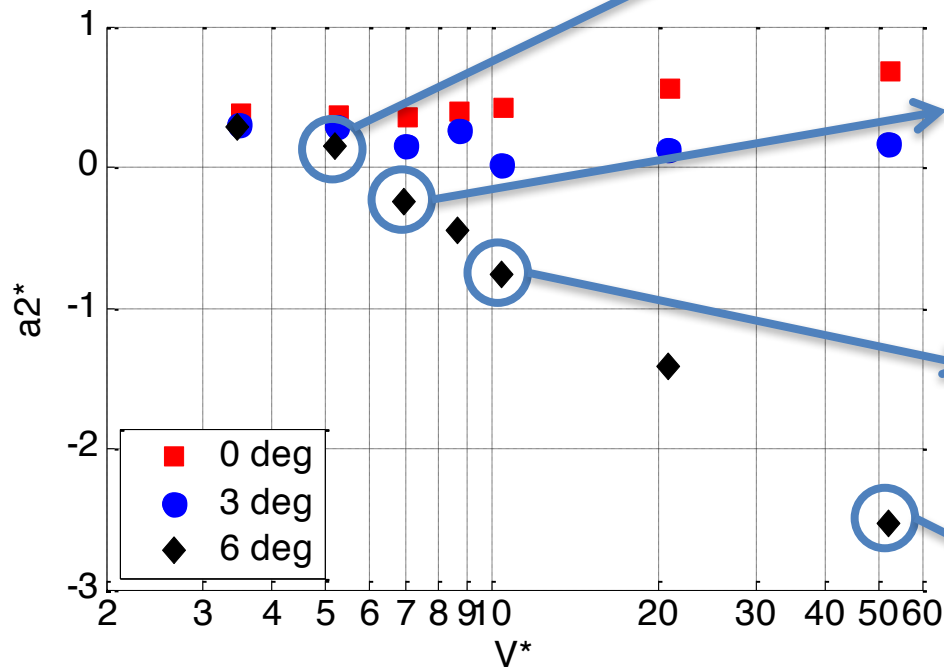
- Static forces can be represented either as static coefficients or as pressure distribution around the deck



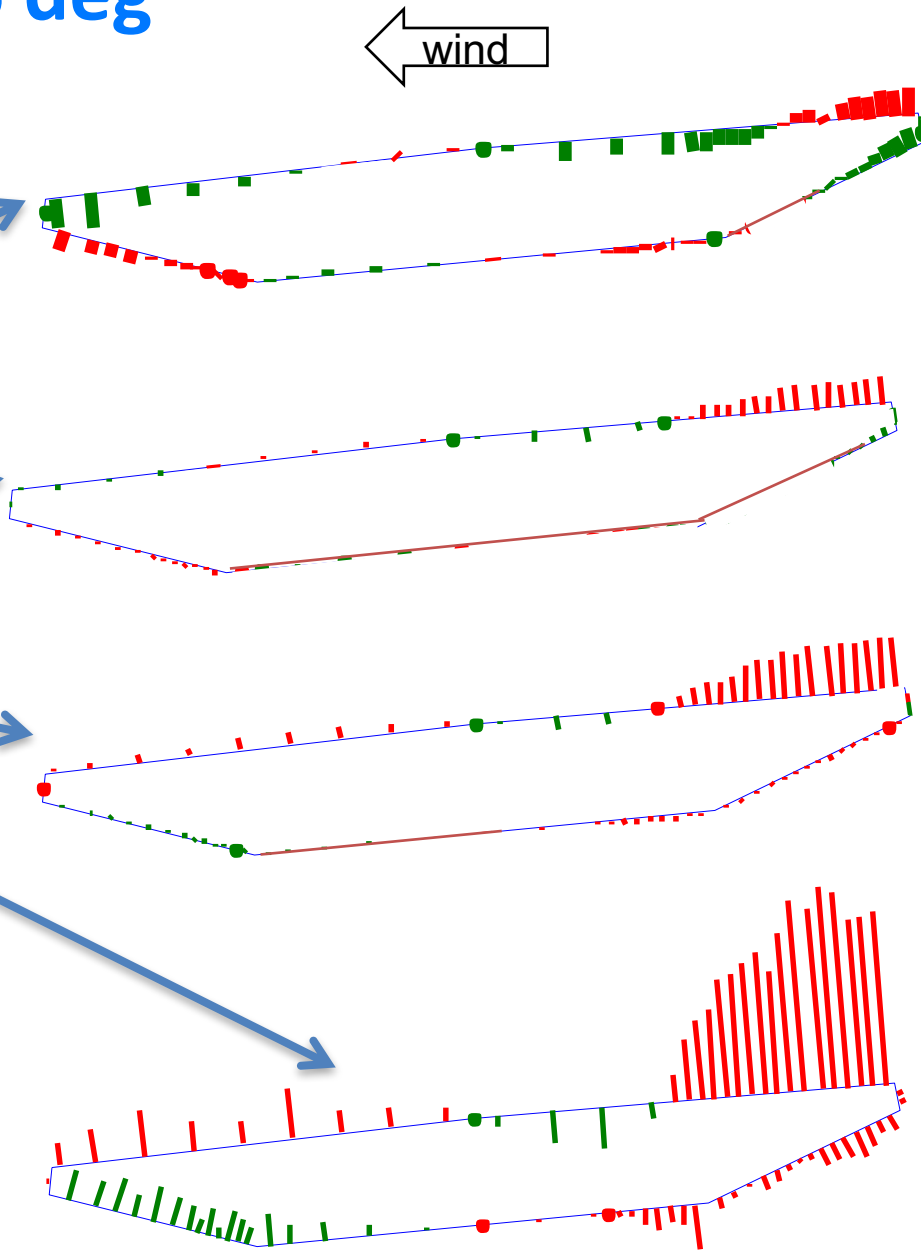
- Flutter derivatives are the global coefficients for unsteady self-excited forces: what is their distributed counterpart and what kind of information can we get from it?

# Torsional instability at + 6 deg

$$M_{se} = \frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 B^2 \left( -a_2^* \frac{i\omega B}{V} + a_3^* \right) \theta$$



FD from pressure distribution  
Verified with dynamometric  
measurements



- The idea is to exploit the knowledge of the unsteady pressure field around the contour of the deck to determine the contribution of each part of the deck to global value of the coefficient

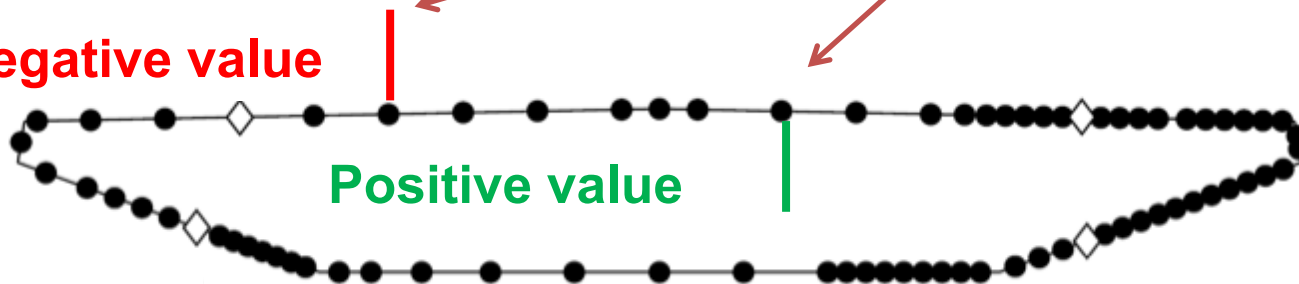
Global: 
$$M_{se} = \frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 B^2 \left( -a_2^* \frac{i\omega B}{V} + a_3^* \right) \theta$$

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Distributed: 
$$M_{se} = \sum_{j=1}^{ntaps} M_{se,j} = \frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 B^2 \sum_{j=1}^{ntaps} \left( -a_{2,j}^* \frac{i\omega B}{V} + a_{3,j}^* \right) \theta$$

Negative value

Positive value

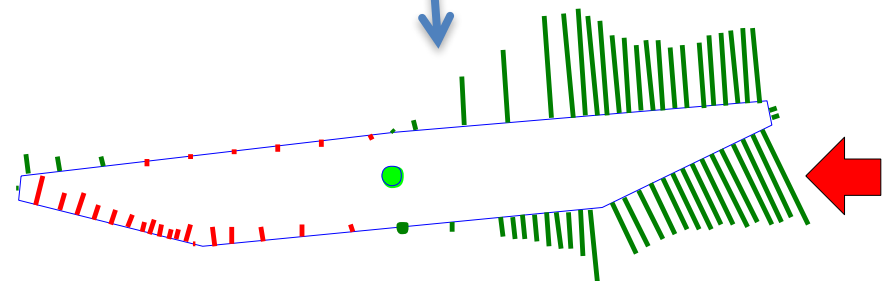
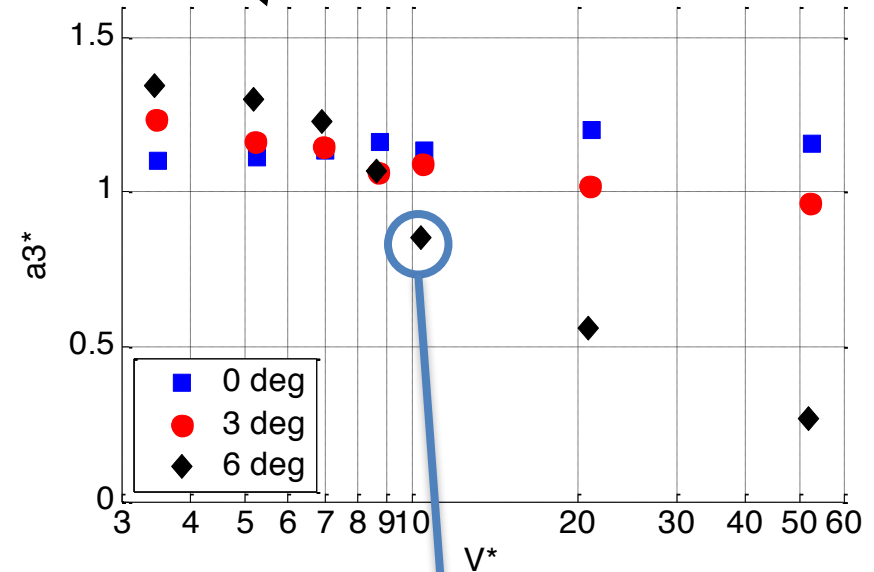
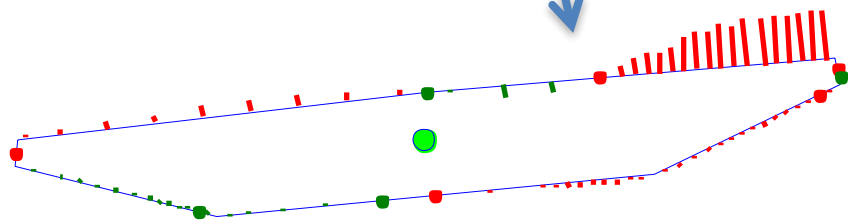
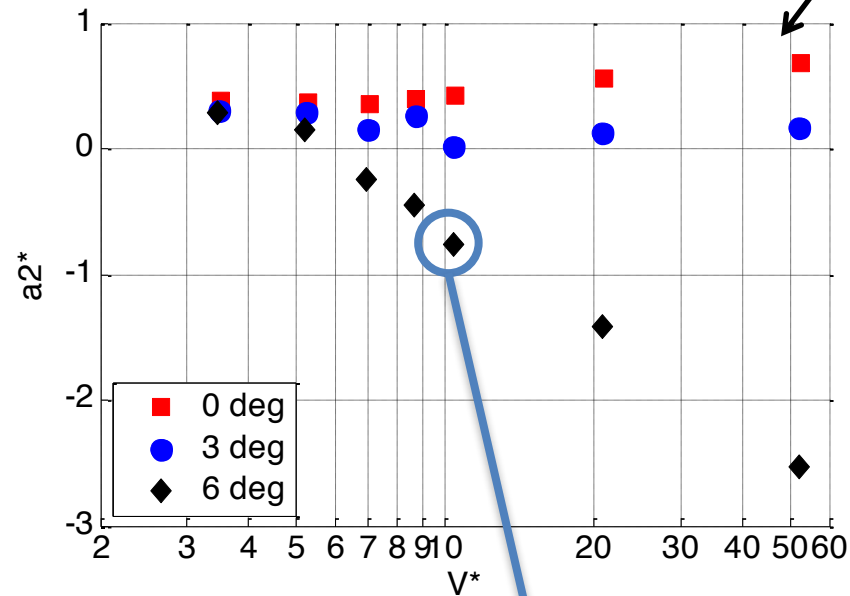




# Analysis of $V^* = 10$

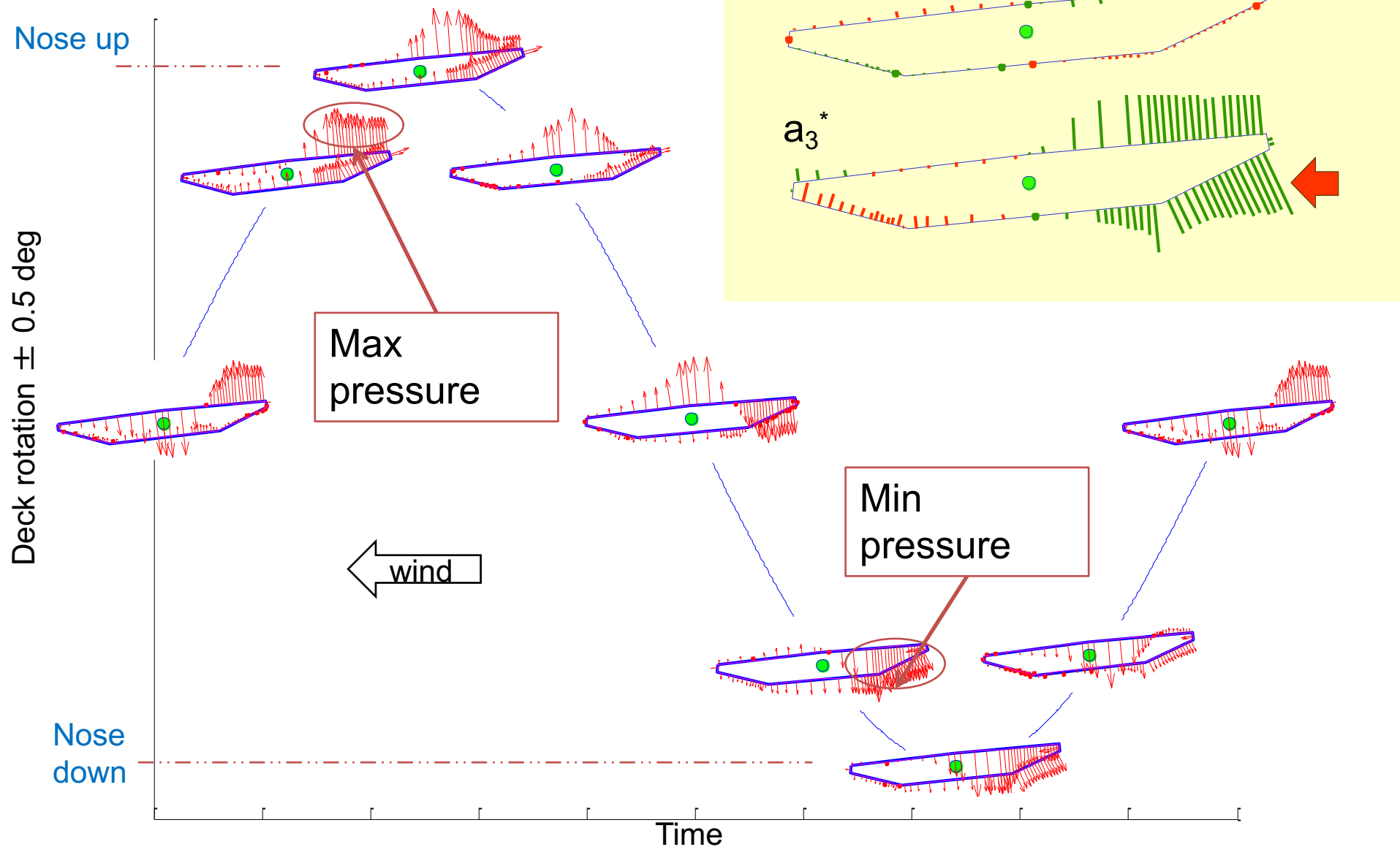
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$$M_{se} = \frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 B^2 \left( -a_2^* \frac{i\omega B}{V} + a_3^* \right) \theta$$



# $V^* = 10, +6$ deg: Unsteady pressure during one cycle of motion

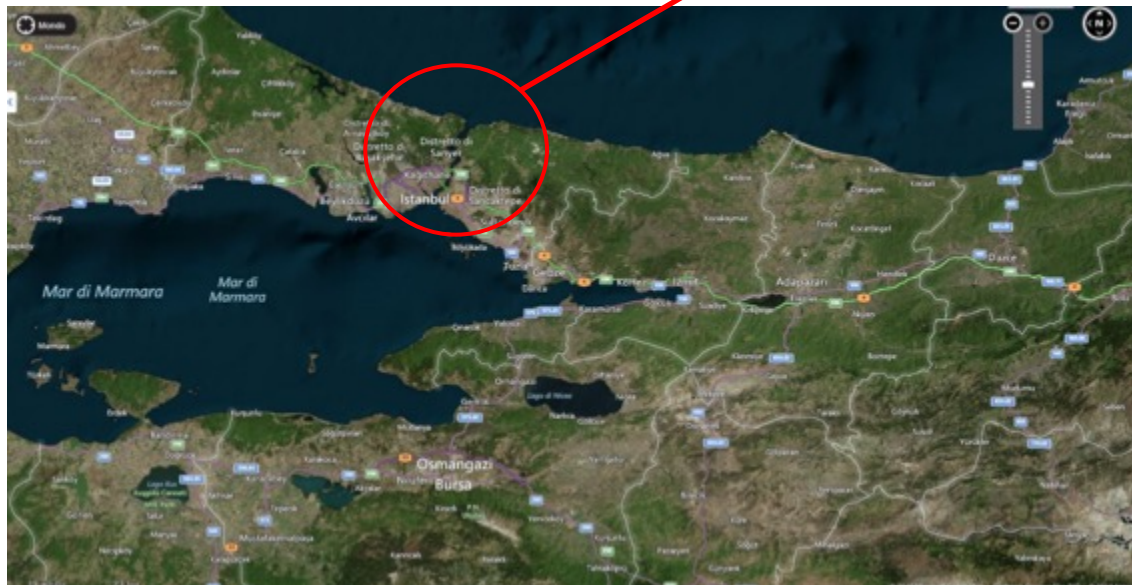
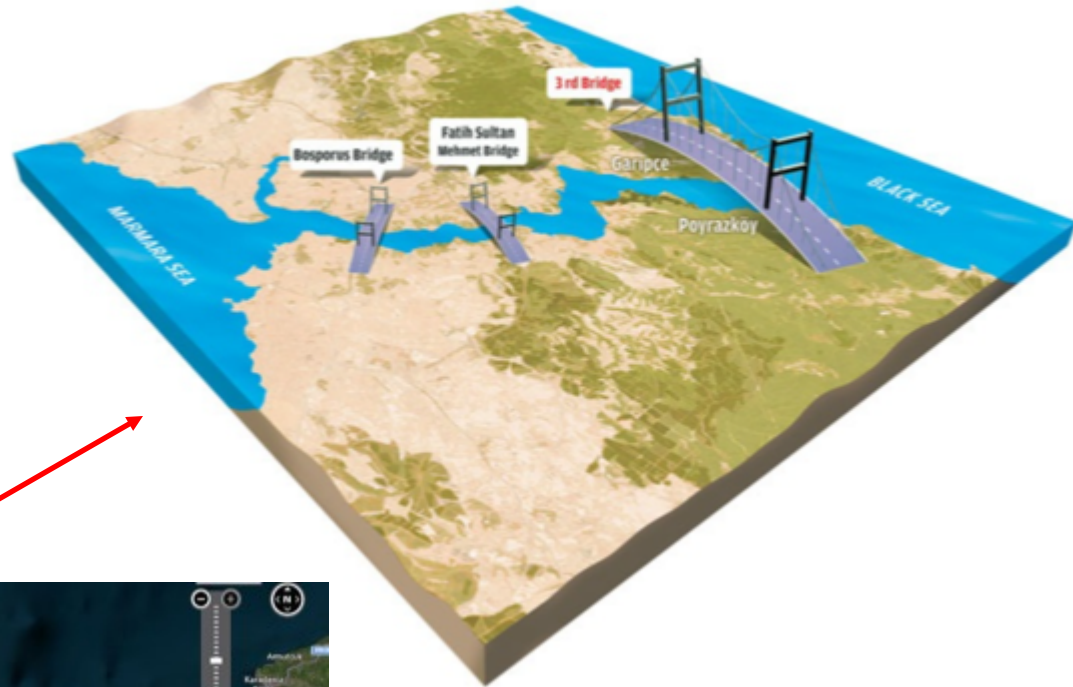
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# Something very “New”

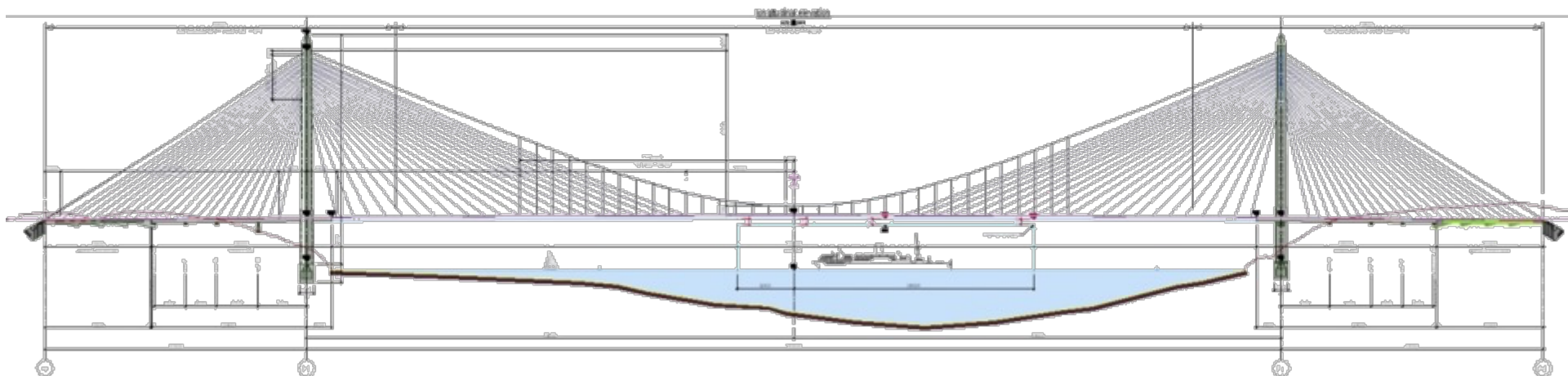
→ Just Open Bosphorous Bridge 3<sup>rd</sup>

# BB3: Third Bosphorous Bridge



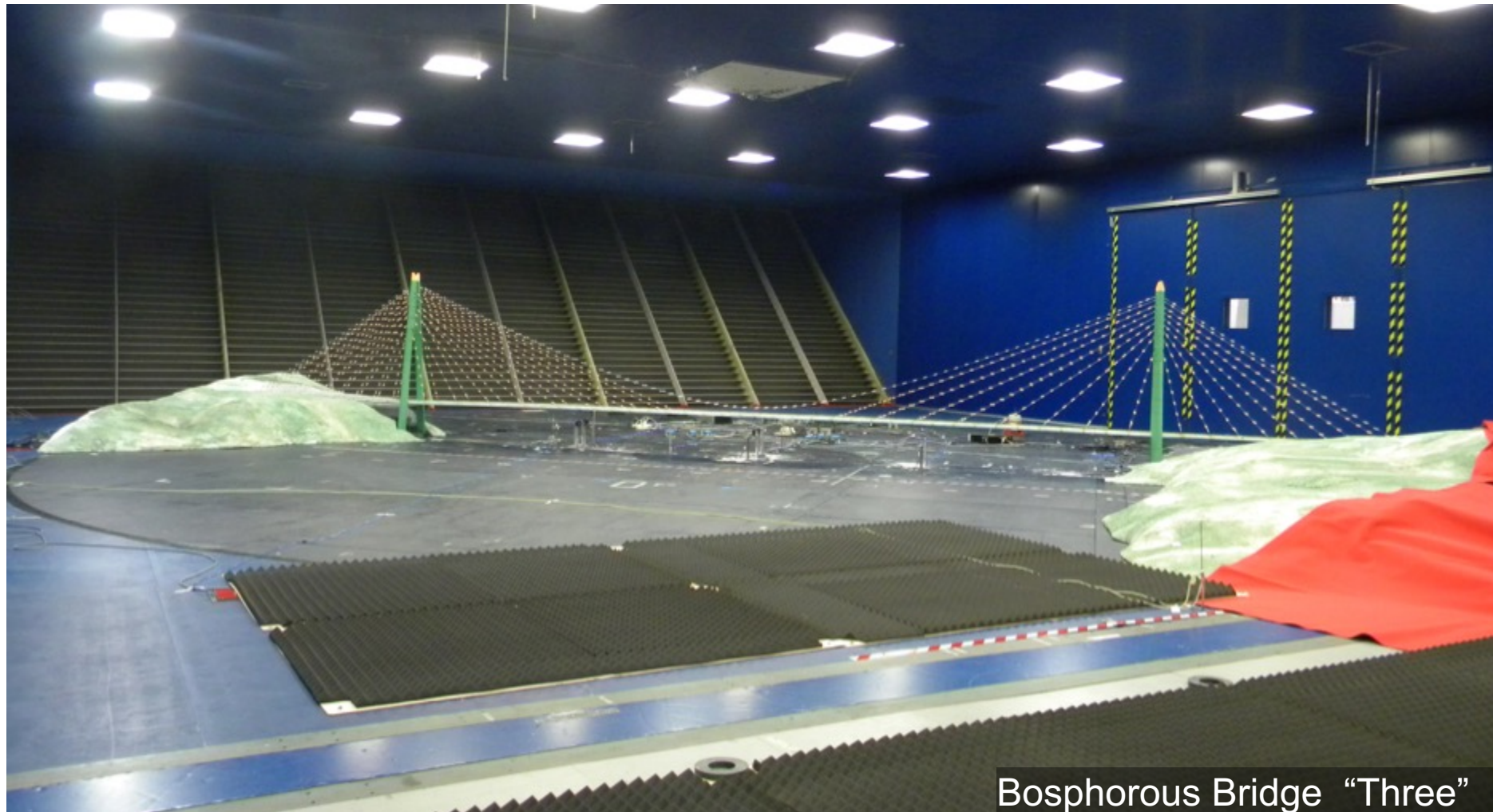
## BB3 - Aerodynamic Challenges

- Highest span length on innovative structural solution
- Widest 60m deck → large aerodynamic derivatives expected
- Low-frequency bending and torsional modes in deck and towers
- Frequent strong lateral winds at the bridge site (higher than BB1)
- **Great opportunity from aerodynamic optimization:**
  - Improved structural wind interaction performances
  - Improved safety on vehicles & train runability





- Response to Turbulent Wind → 1:180 scale model
- Combined effects of exposure angle and upwind roughness considered



Bosphorous Bridge "Three"

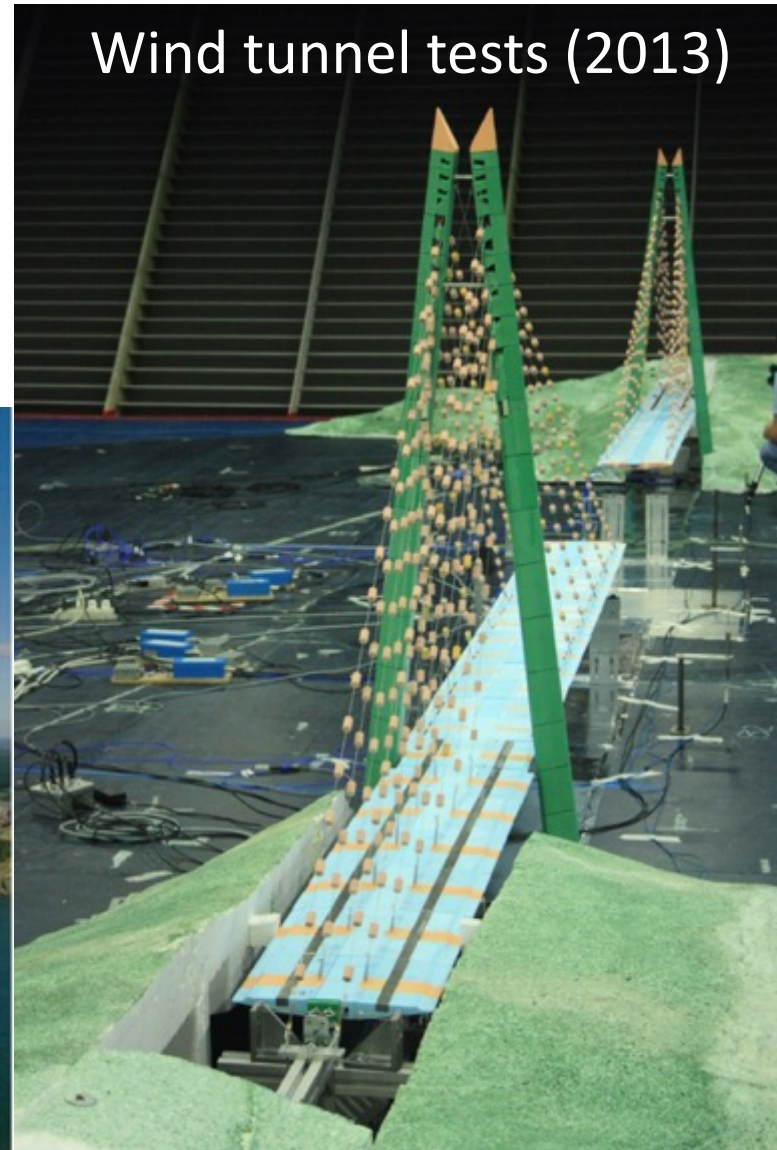


- Construction stage Wind Studies

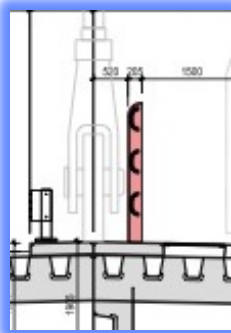
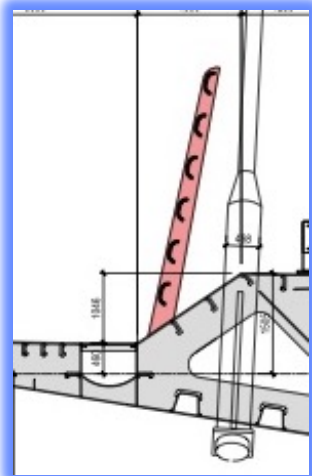
Full scale construction (2015)



Wind tunnel tests (2013)



# BB3 Deck: High Slenderness Cross Section



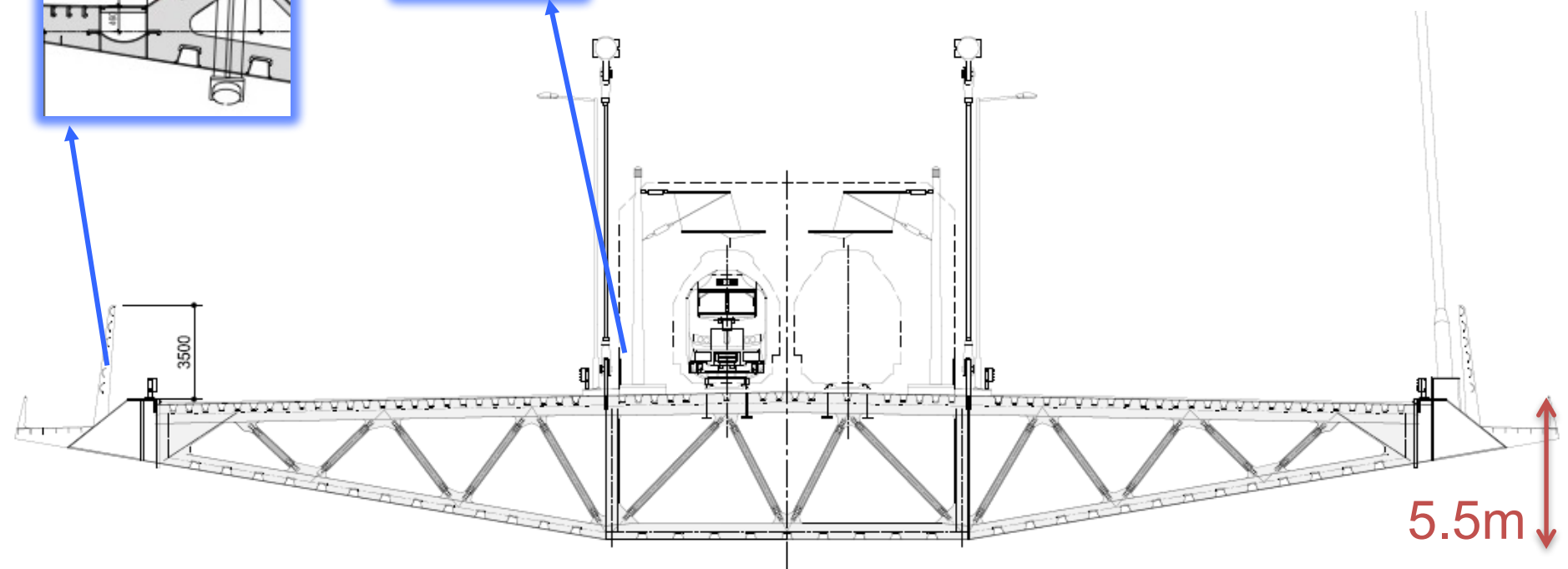
High slenderness steel deck

2 x 4 lanes of traffic

Provision for future 2 rail track

Possible wind screens aerodyn. optimization:

Vehicles wind loads & VIV control

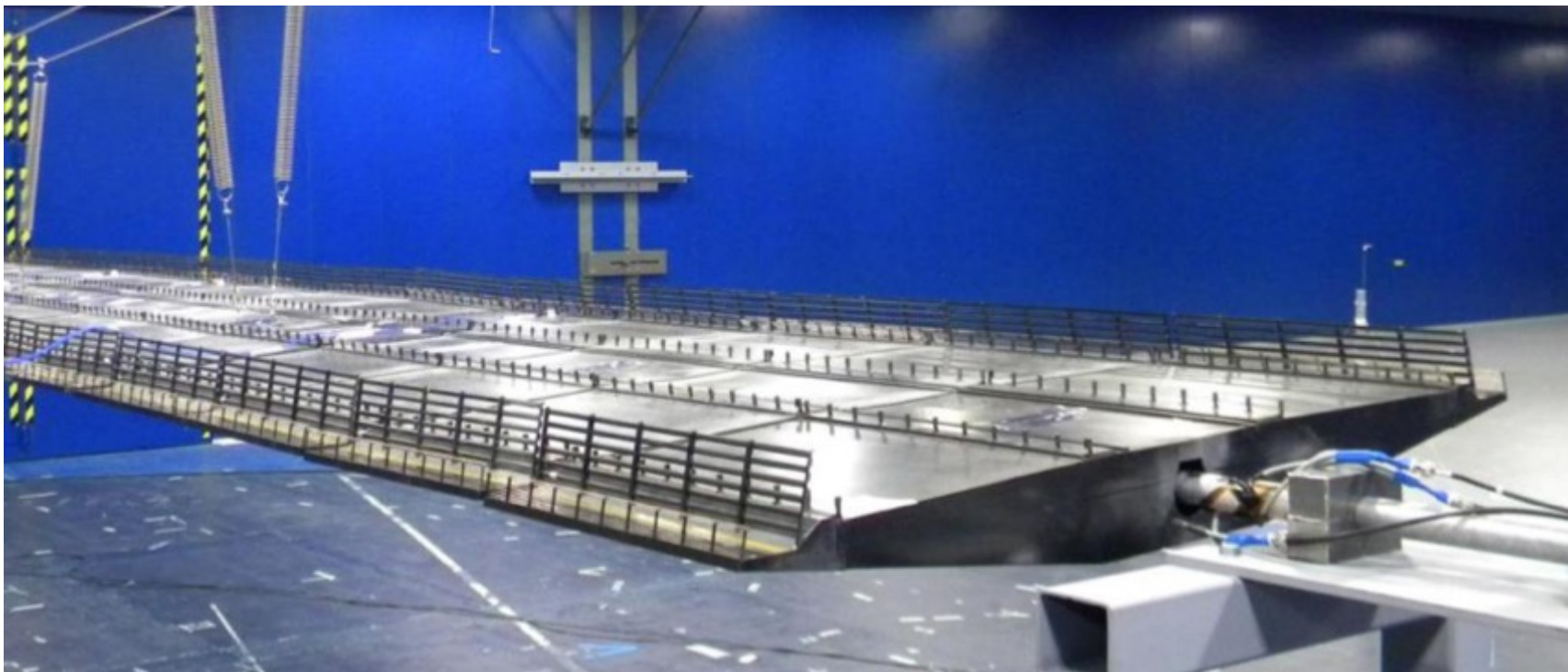


Slenderness =  $W / h = 11$

58m

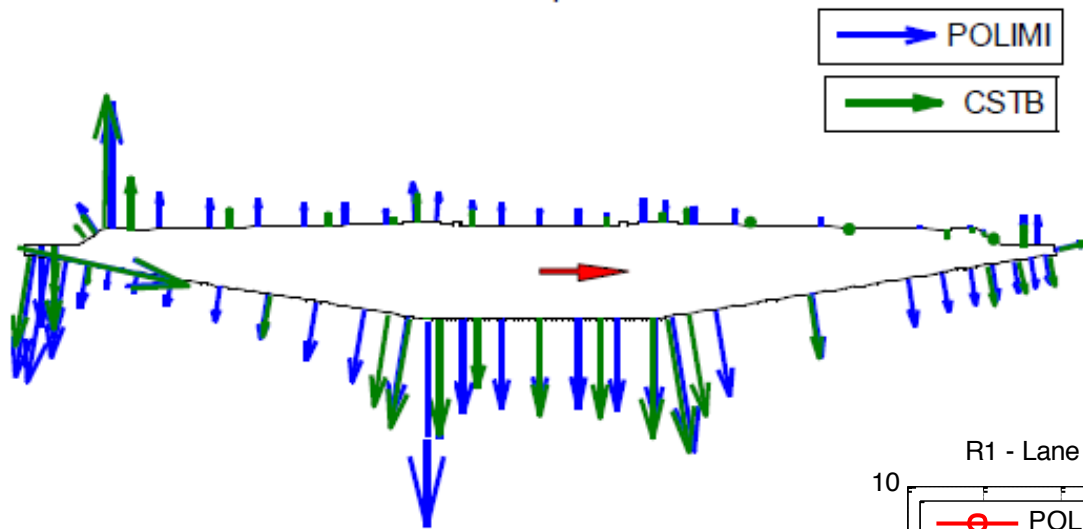
# BB3 Deck: Large Scale Aeroelastic Model

- 1:50 Scale / Aeroelastic deformable / Very low damping → Low Scruton
- Up to 16 m/s →  $Re=2.0E+6$
- Measures: Aeroelastic response  
Unsteady pressure distribution on deck and screens  
Wind Screen aerodynamic characterization  
Wind velocity profiles on road & train lanes



# CSTB-POLIMI Cross Check / Re Effects

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Reynolds Range:

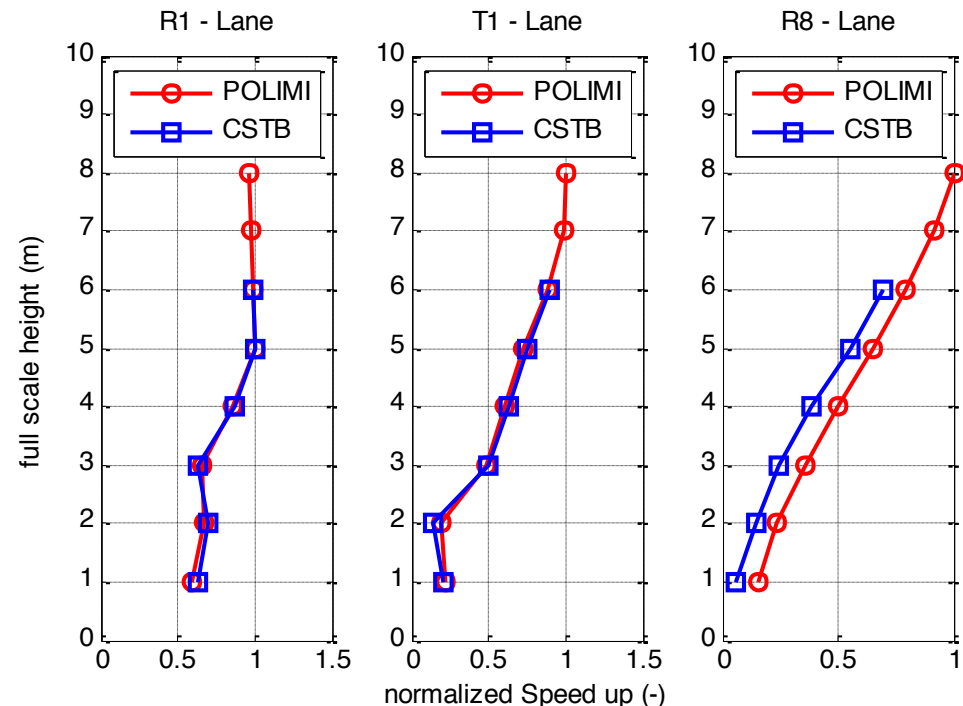
CSTB →  $Re = 1.3E+7$

POLIMI →  $Re = 2.0E+6$

Wind Screens & Deck  
Aerodynamics:

Optimum cross validation  
CSTB – POLIMI results on

Mean pressure distribution  
Mean velocity profiles





# Safety & Performance → Wind Screen Design

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👉 Operating configurations:

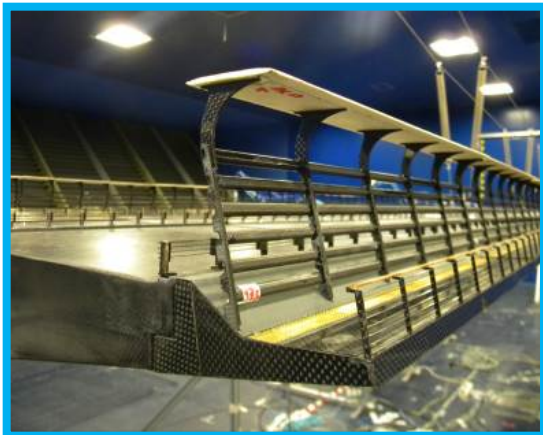


## NACKED

The bridge is provided just with guard-rails

## 2WS (two wind screens)

The wind screens for the road lanes are installed on the bridge



## 2WS + WING

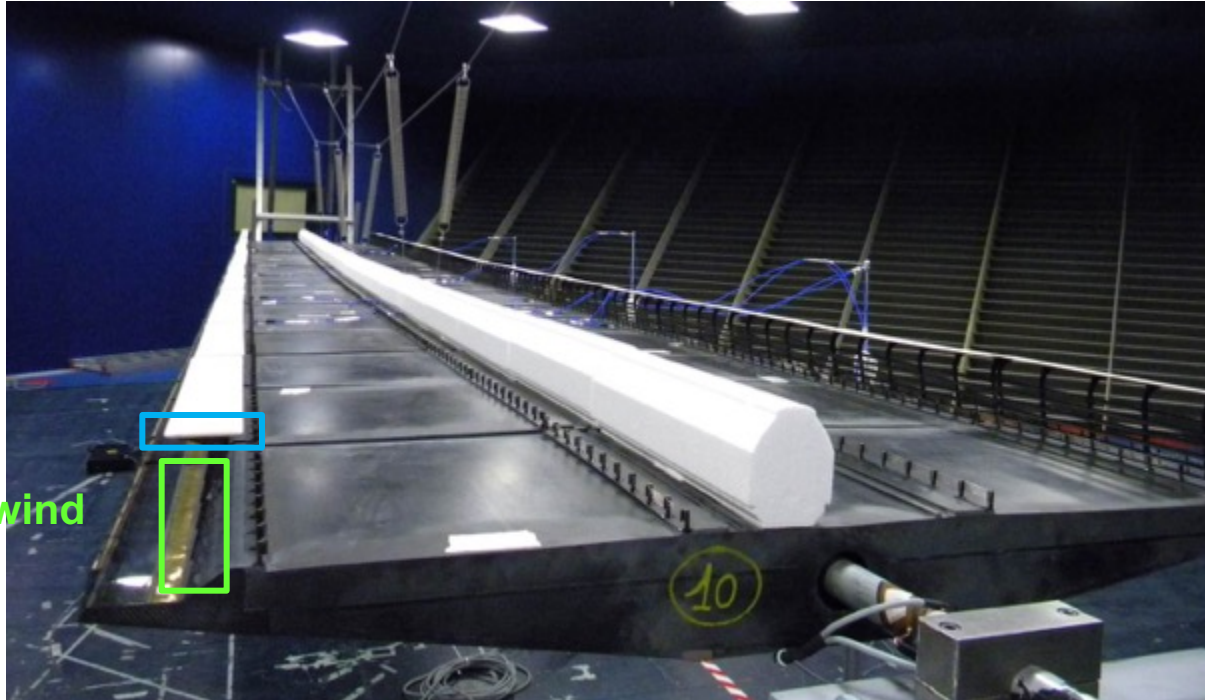
The wind screens for the road lanes are installed on the bridge together with the wings



# Safety & Performance → Wind Screen Design

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👉 Test case:



Bridge with a train model in the rail lane. All the operating conditions were investigated

👉 **NACKED**

👉 **2WS**

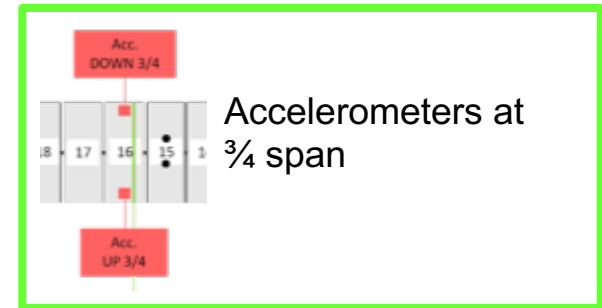
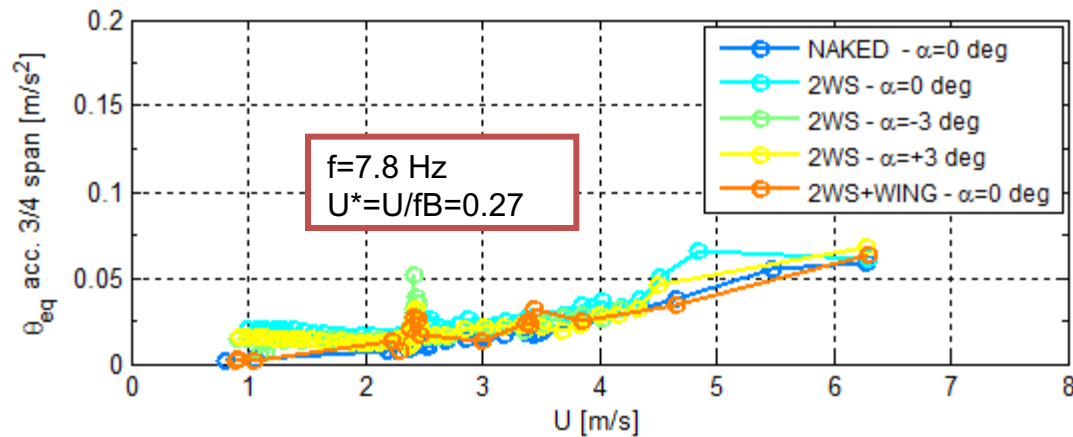
👉 **2WS + WING**



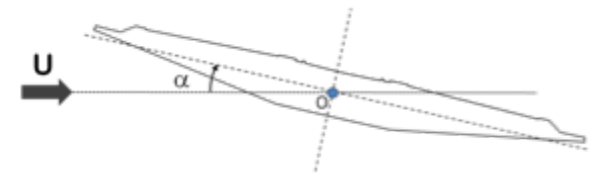
# Wind Screen Design → No Traffic / No Train

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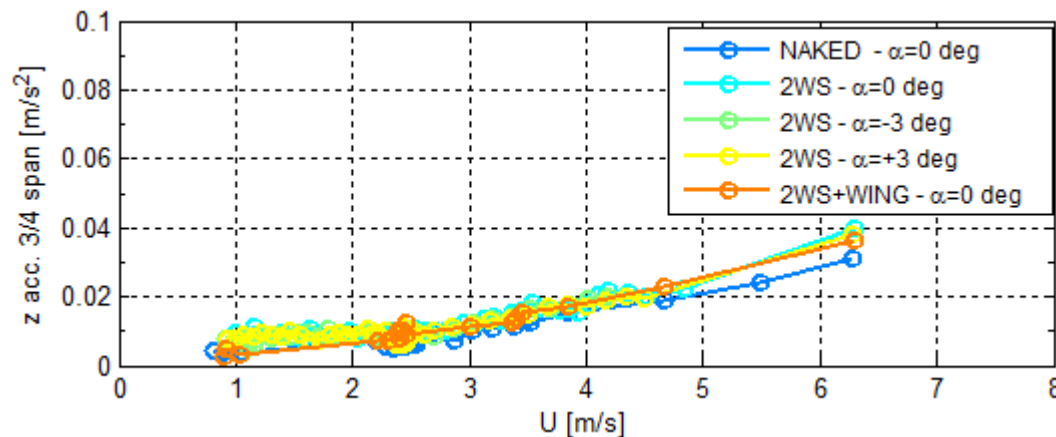
➤ Half-difference contribution of the accelerometers at  $\frac{3}{4}$  span



The deck was investigated also changing the angle of attack



➤ Half-sum contribution of the accelerometers at  $\frac{3}{4}$  span

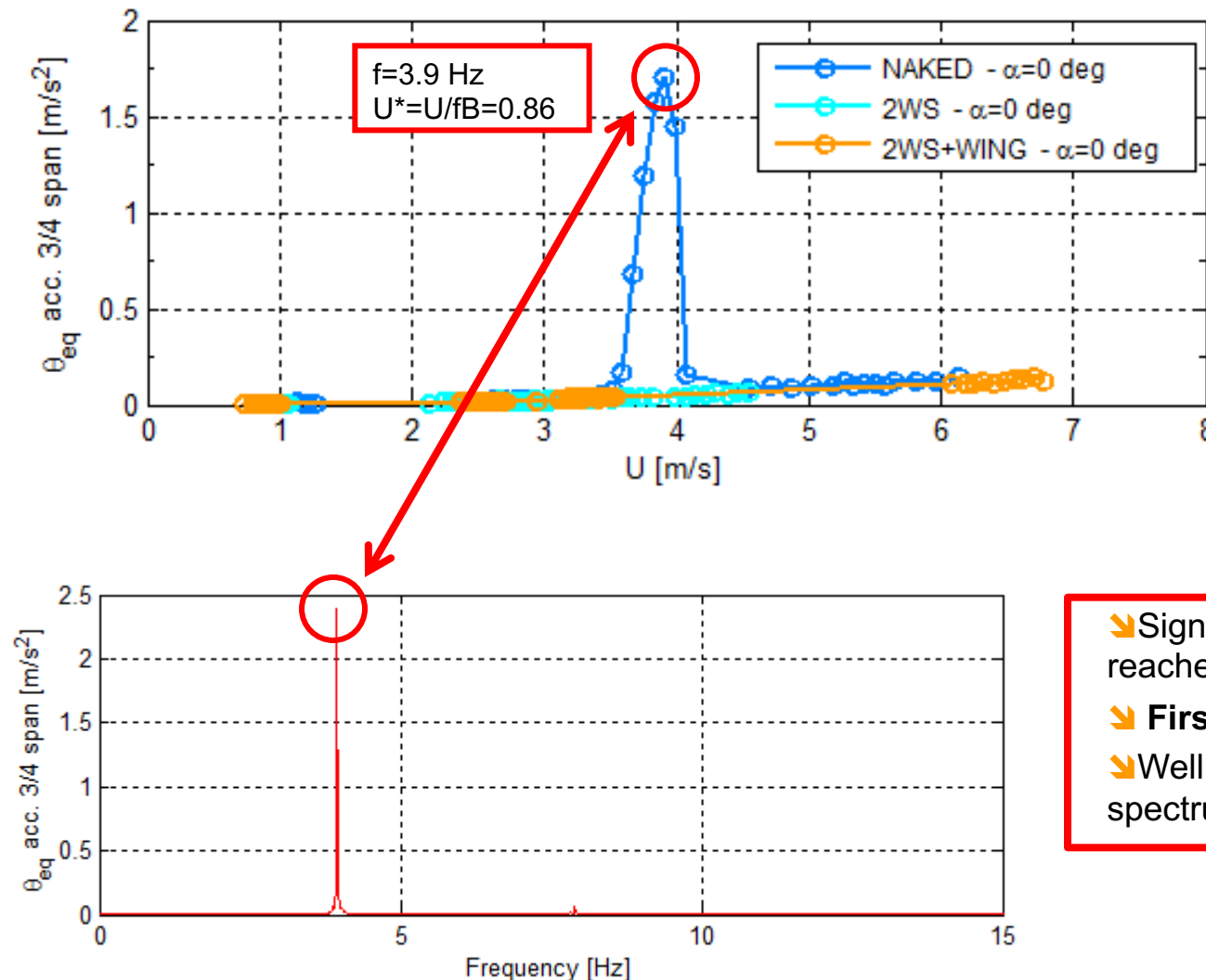


➤ A very narrow lock-in region is defined around the peak corresponding to an excitation of the **second torsional** mode in particular for the **2WS configuration**.

➤ The absolute value of the peak in the real scale is about 1 mm

# Wind Screen Design → With Train

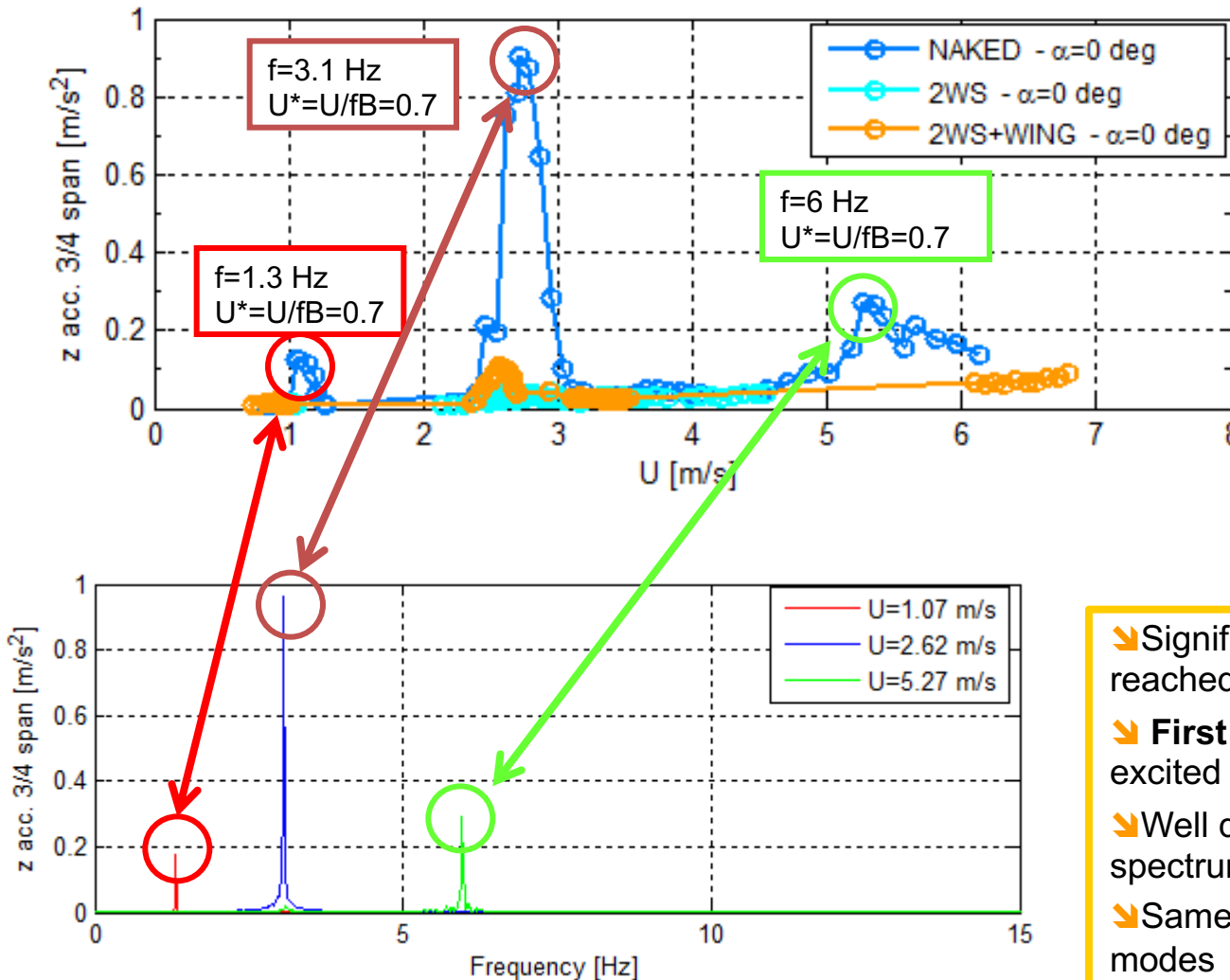
✚ Half-difference contribution of the accelerometers at  $\frac{3}{4}$  span



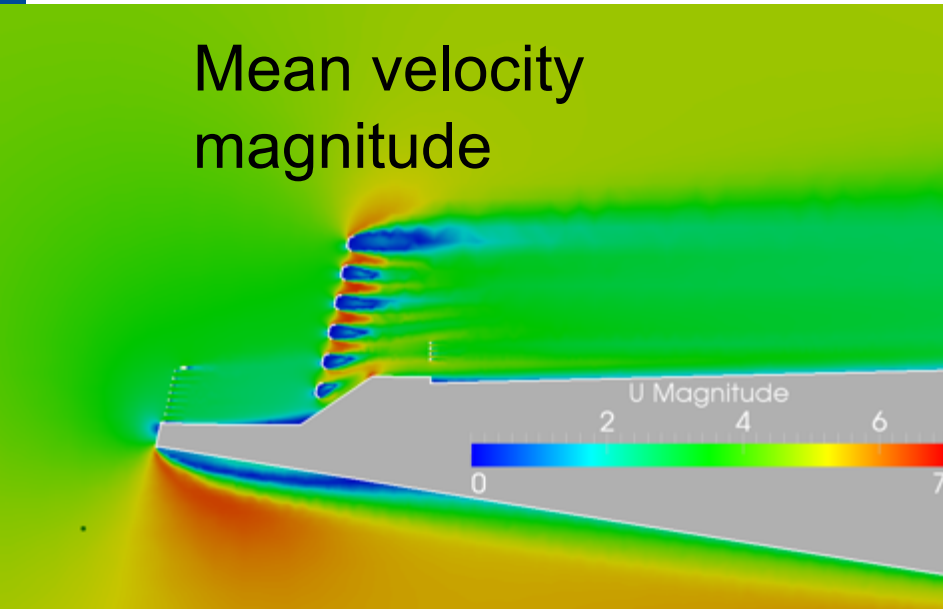
- ✚ Significant level of excitation was reached by the **naked configuration**
- ✚ **First torsional mode** was excited
- ✚ Well defined and narrow peak in the spectrum

# Wind Screen Design → With Train

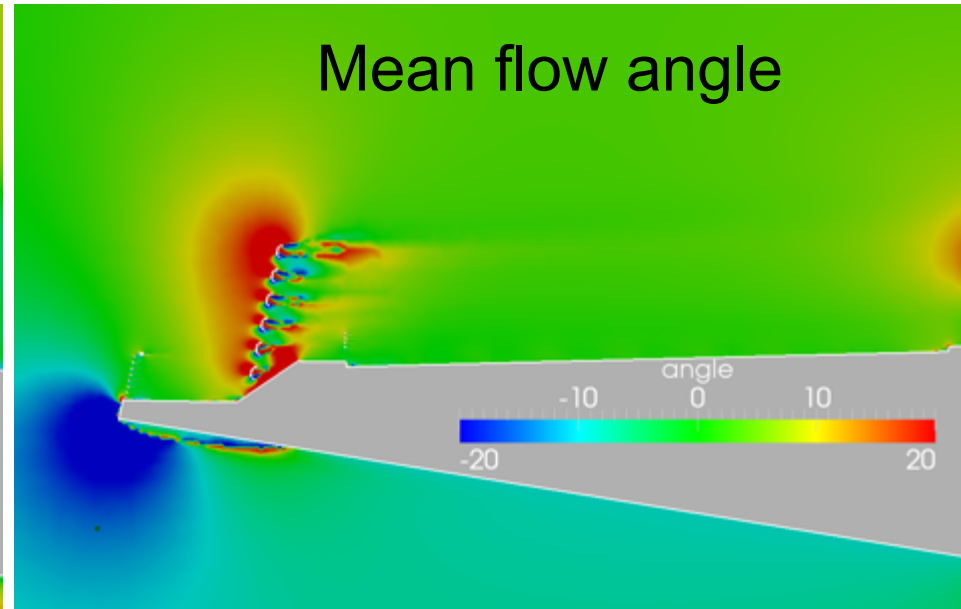
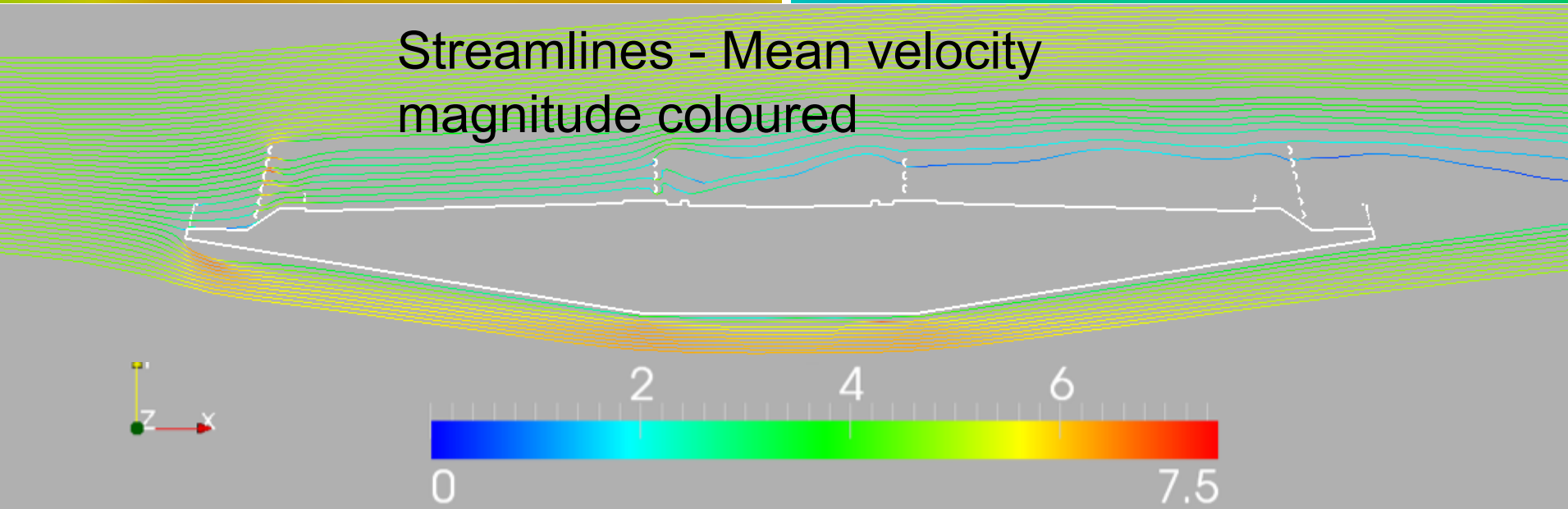
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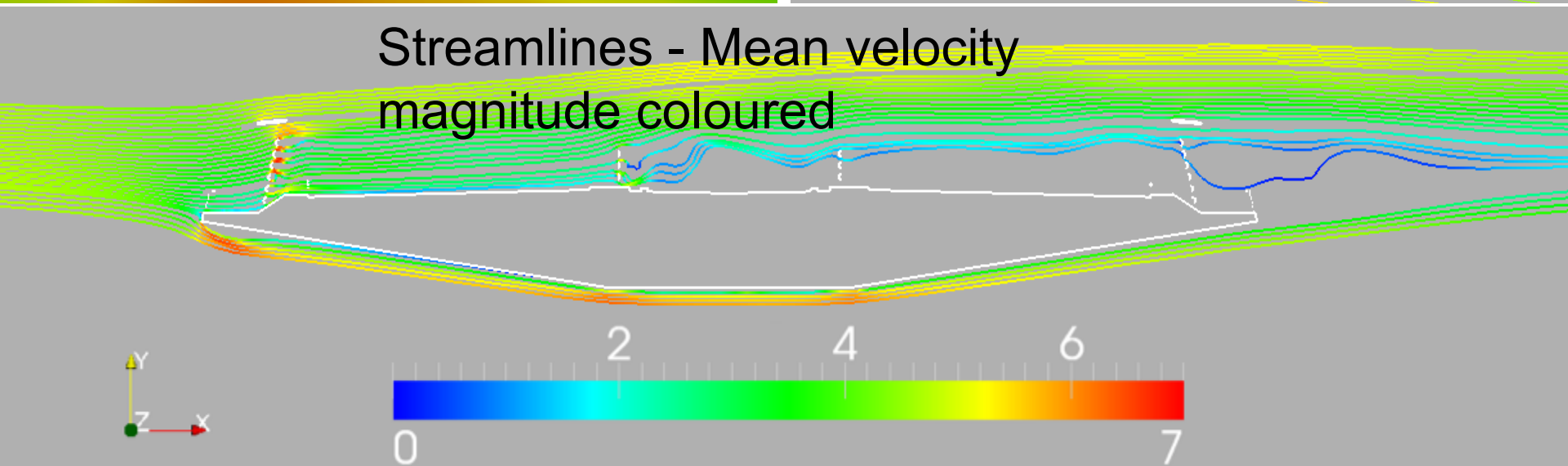
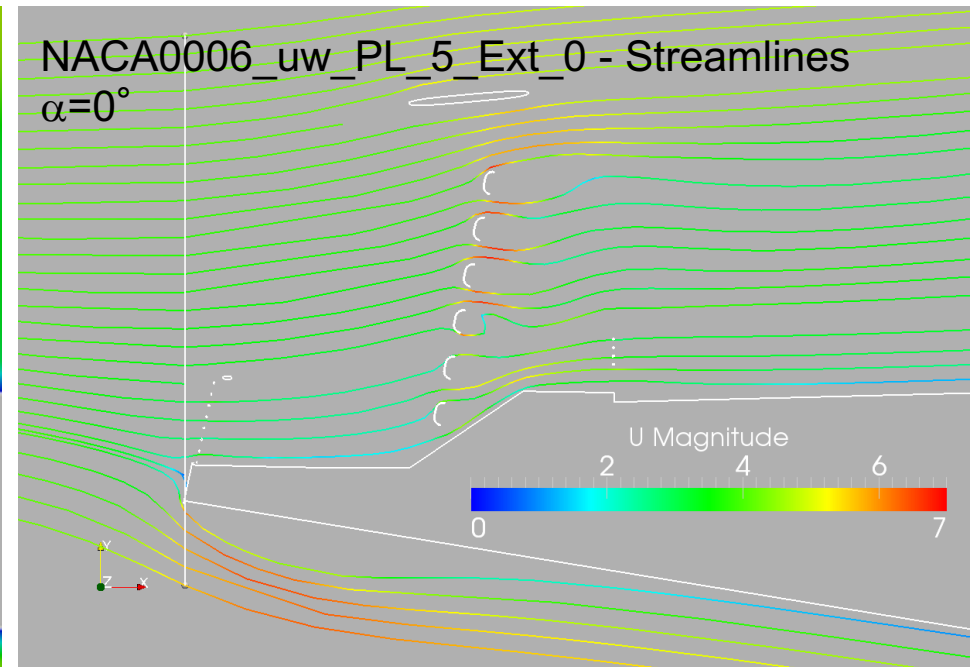
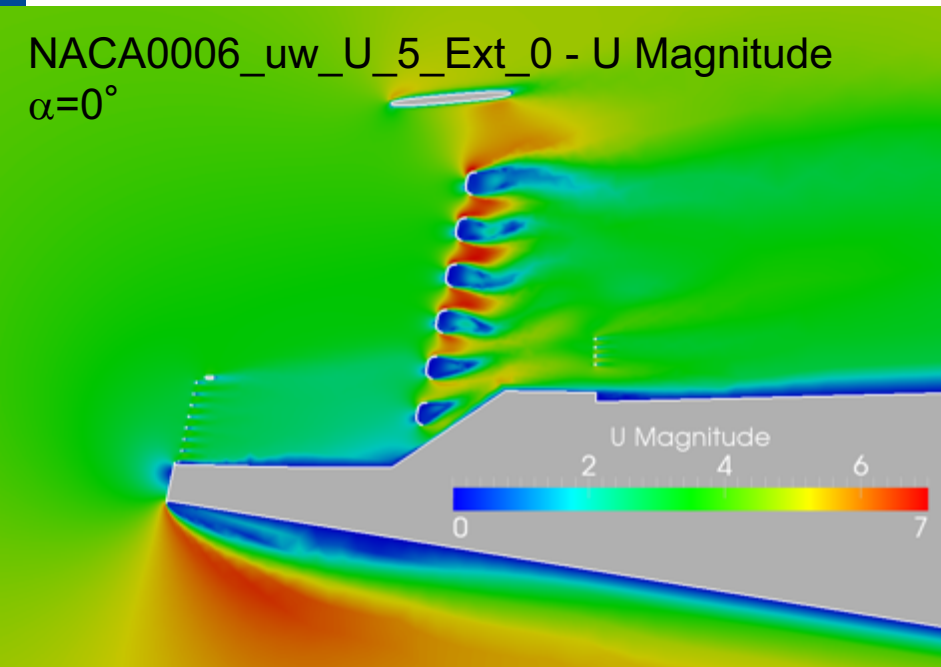


- ✚ Significant level of excitation was reached by the **naked configuration**
- ✚ **First three flexural modes** were excited
- ✚ Well defined and narrow peak in the spectrum
- ✚ Same reduced velocity for the three modes

Mean velocity  
magnitude

Mean flow angle

Streamlines - Mean velocity  
magnitude coloured



# Multi-Span Crossing → Floating Tower Solution

→ **Aero-Hydro-Elastic Co-Simulations**

→ **Experimental Validation Needed !!!**

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- Fully Coupled Dynamic Problem → Aero-Hydro-Elastic
- Challenging numerical co-simulation approach
- Experimental validation needed !!!



*Source: Norwegian Public Roads Administration*



# Simulation tools: submodules

## MOORING SYSTEM

Linear/NonLinear/Fem

MIMOSA  
(MARINTEK)

MoorDyn (NREL)  
FEAmooring (NREL)  
MAP++ (NREL)

## HYDRO

Frequency Domain  
3D Potential Flow  
(Linear/2° order/  
QTF)

WAMIT (MIT)

OpenWarp-Nemoh  
(NREL/ECNantes)

Wave kinetics  
and loads

RIFLEX  
(MARINTEK)

HydroDyn (NREL)

## STRUCTURE

Floater

SIMA (MARINTEK)

OpenWarp-Nemoh  
(NREL/ECNantes)

Bridge

SAP/ANSYS

ADTFem (PoliMi)

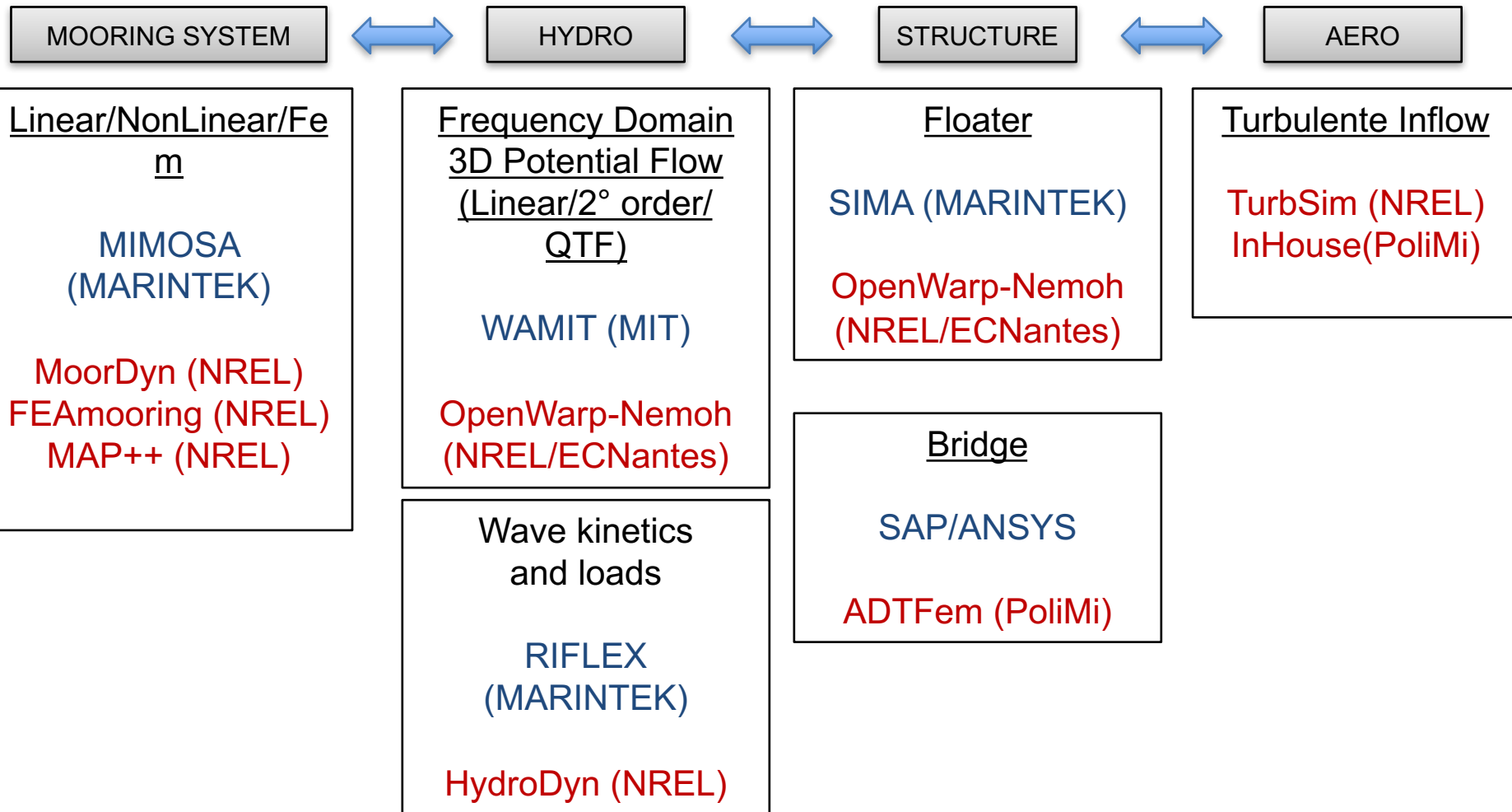
## AERO

Turbulente Inflow

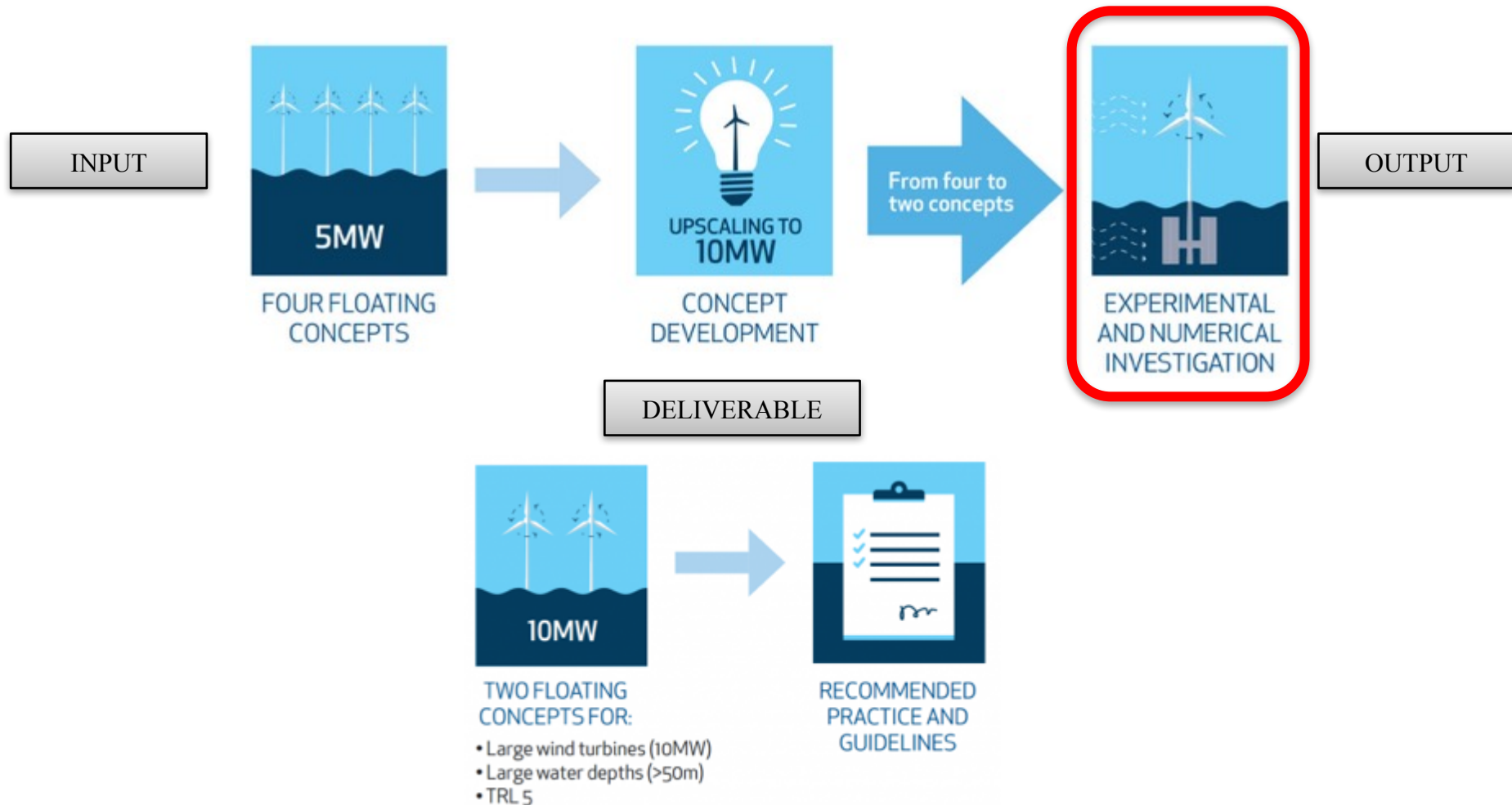
TurbSim (NREL)  
InHouse(PoliMi)

Commercial  
OpenSource/InHouse

## → Experimental Validation Needed



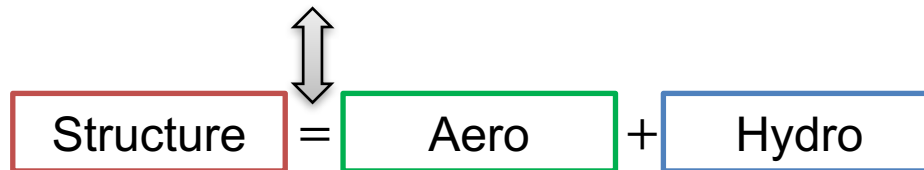
# Offshore Wind Energy Example











# Floating offshore Wind Turbines: Experiments

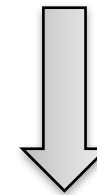
$$[M]\ddot{x} + [C]\dot{x} + [K]x = F_{Aero}(\rho_{Air}, \mu_{Air}, C_T, C_P, U_{Wind}, \Omega) + F_{Hydro}(\rho_{Water}, \mu_{Water}, g, H, d, T, C_D, V_{Platform})$$



IT'S **IMPOSSIBLE** TO HAVE **SIMILARITY** FOR EACH **ADIMENSIONAL** PARAMETER

- Length and velocity scale limited by facility
- Froude-Reynolds conflict
- Too low speed = high noise/signal
- Frequency bandwidth (Control)

Symbol	Dimensionless Number	Force Ratio	Definition
$R_e$	Reynolds Number	Inertia/Viscous	$\frac{UL}{\nu}$ 
$F_n$	Froude Number	Inertia/Gravity	$\frac{U}{\sqrt{gL}}$ 
$M_n$	Mach's Number	Inertia/Elasticity	$\frac{U}{\sqrt{E_v/\rho}}$ 
$W_n$	Weber's Number	Inertia/Surface tension	$\frac{U}{\sqrt{\sigma/\rho L}}$ 
$St$	Strouhall number	-	$\frac{f_v D}{U}$ 
$KC$	Keulegan-Carpenter Number	Drag/Inertia	$\frac{U_A T}{D}$ 



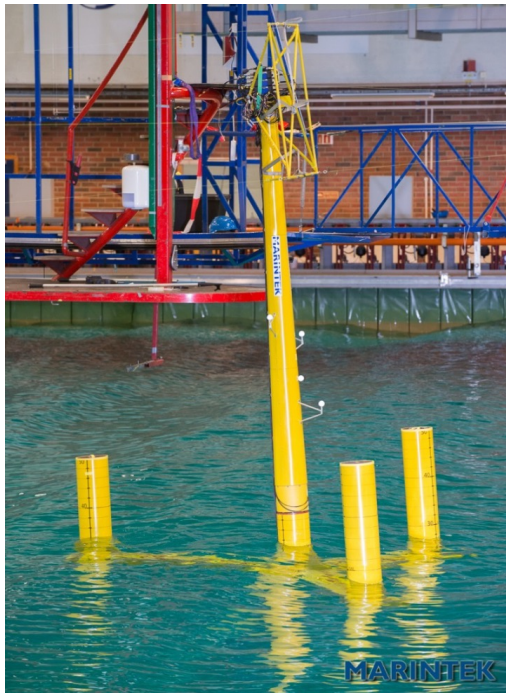
LIFES50+

## Hybrid Testing (Hardware-In-the-Loop)

- Overcoming scaling issues
- Exploiting separately Ocean Basin / Wind Tunnel advantages

# LIFES50+ : HIL approach

- Overcoming scaling issues
- Exploiting separately Ocean Basin/ Wind Tunnel advantages



← Aero validation

→ Hydro validation

MARINTEK

## Ocean Basin/HIL

- Real time computation of Aero forces
- Force control (rotor)
- Advanced testing: waves/moorings

## 6DoF

Wind tunnel test  
due date march 2018



## 2DoF

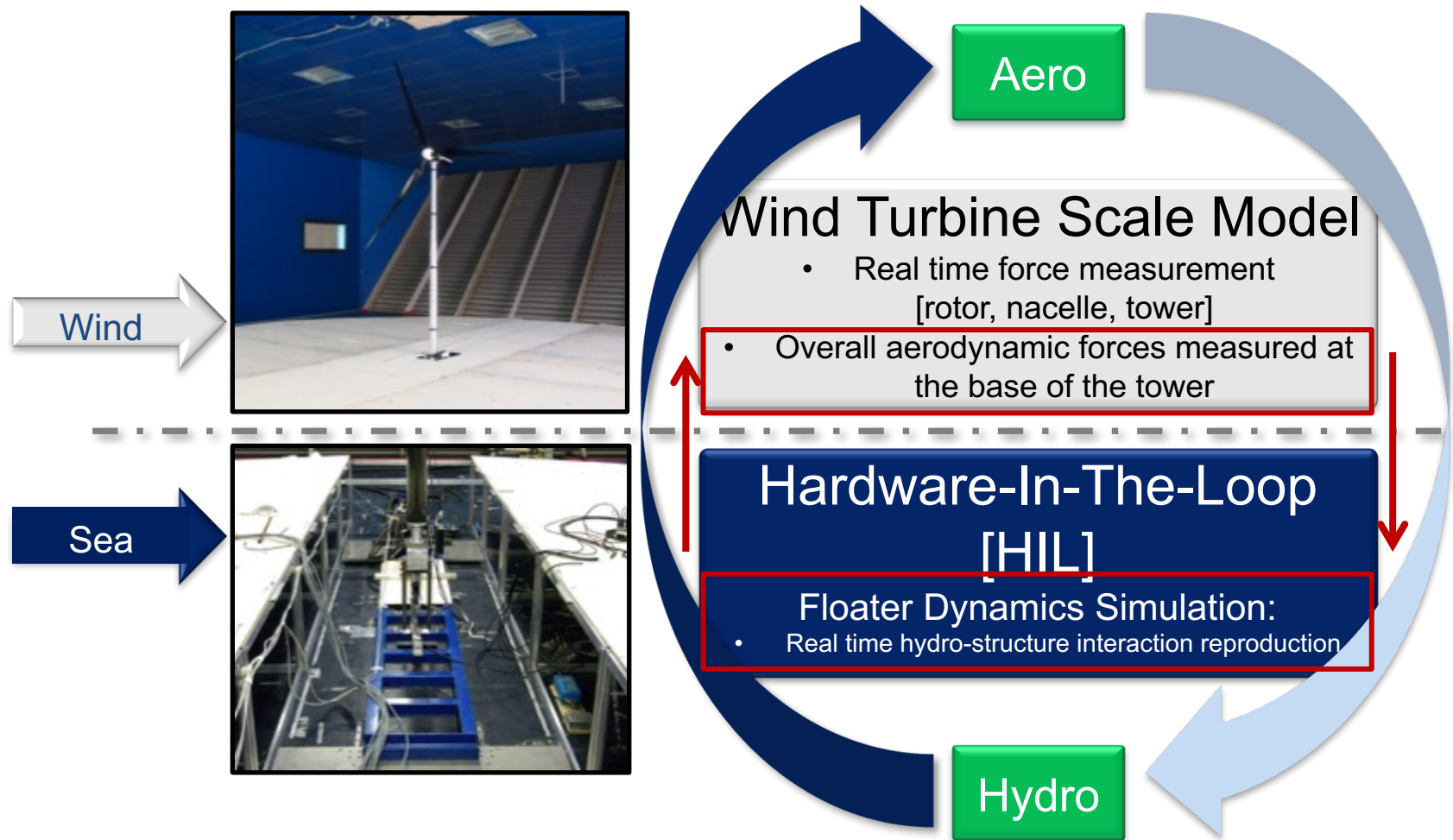


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## Wind Tunnel/HIL

- Real time computation of Hydro forces
- Motion control (tower's base)
- Advanced testing wind/turbulence/IPC

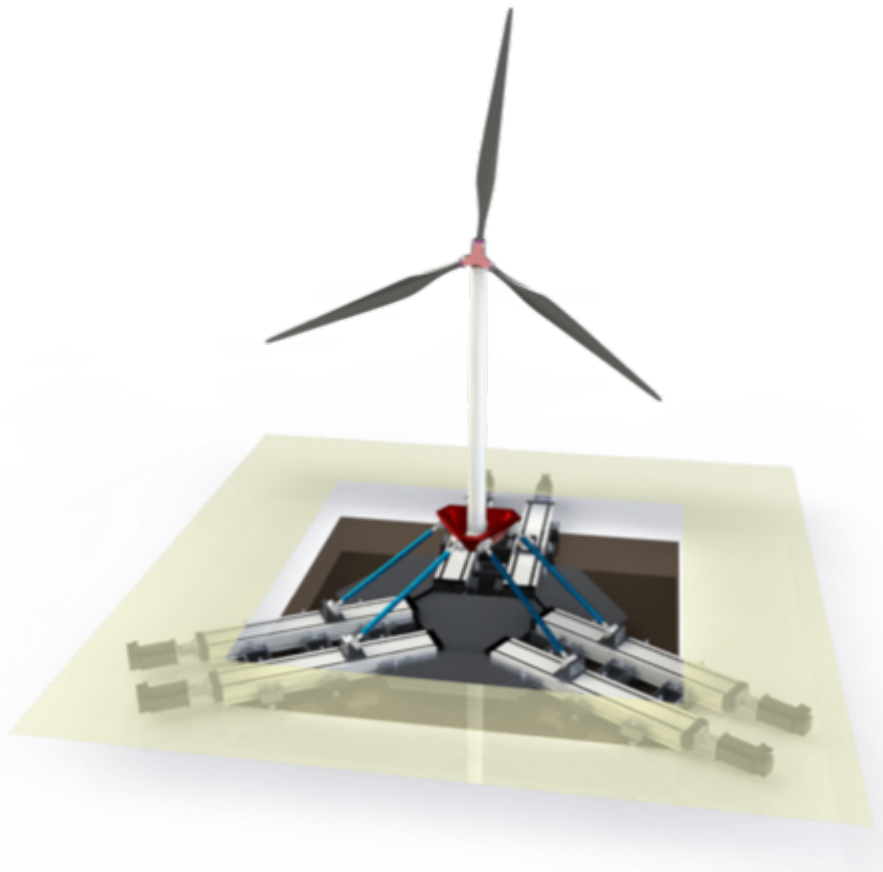
# Hardware-In-The-Loop Hybrid Tests





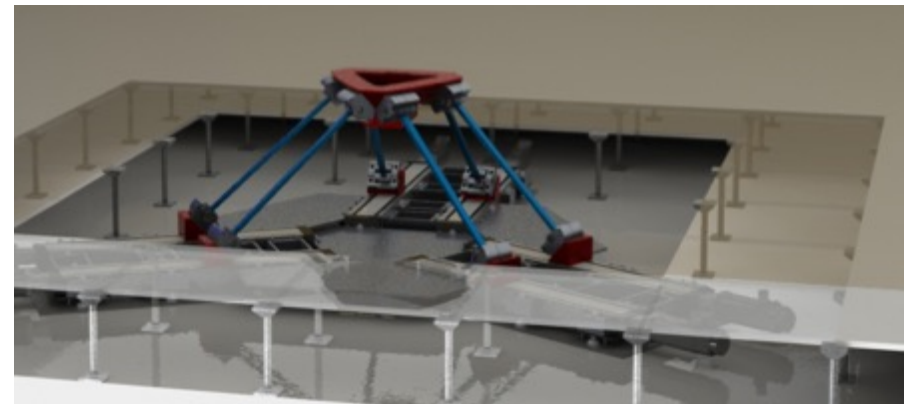
# Towards 6 DoF Robot / W.Tunnel HIL Tests

Finalizing the construction of the robot:  
due date march 2018

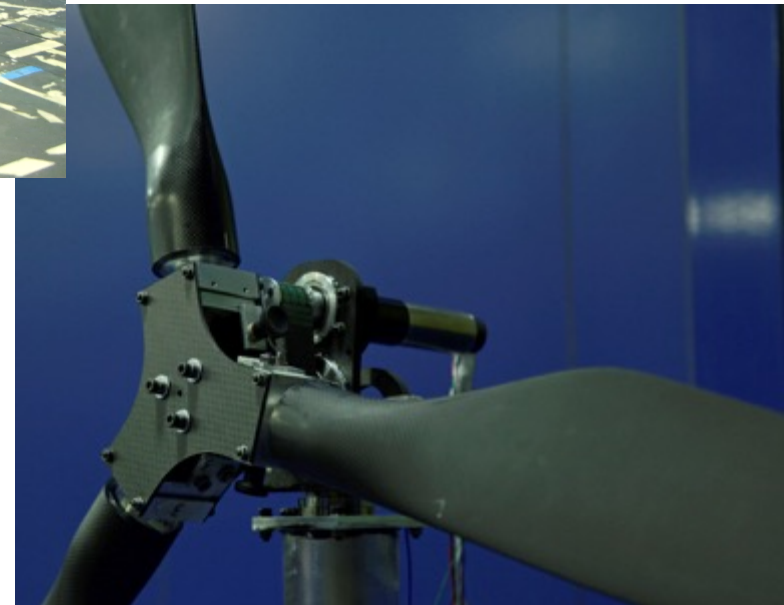
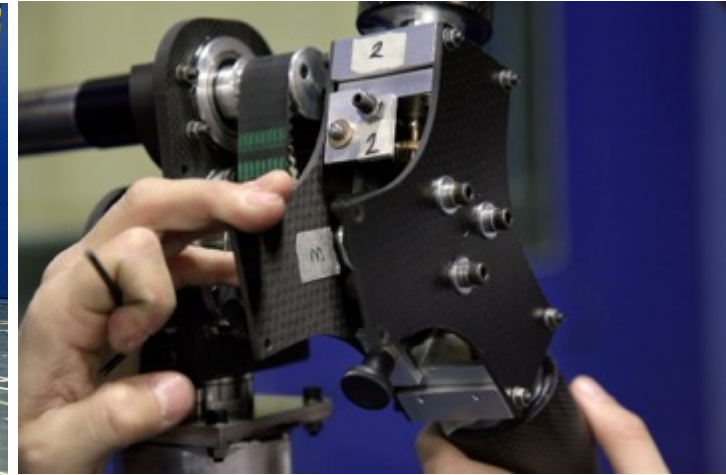


## HIL ongoing side activities

- Modelling and implementation of hydro-structure interaction on RT hardware
- Implementation exercise on a small scale prototype of the robot ("desk")
- Error and sensitivity analysis

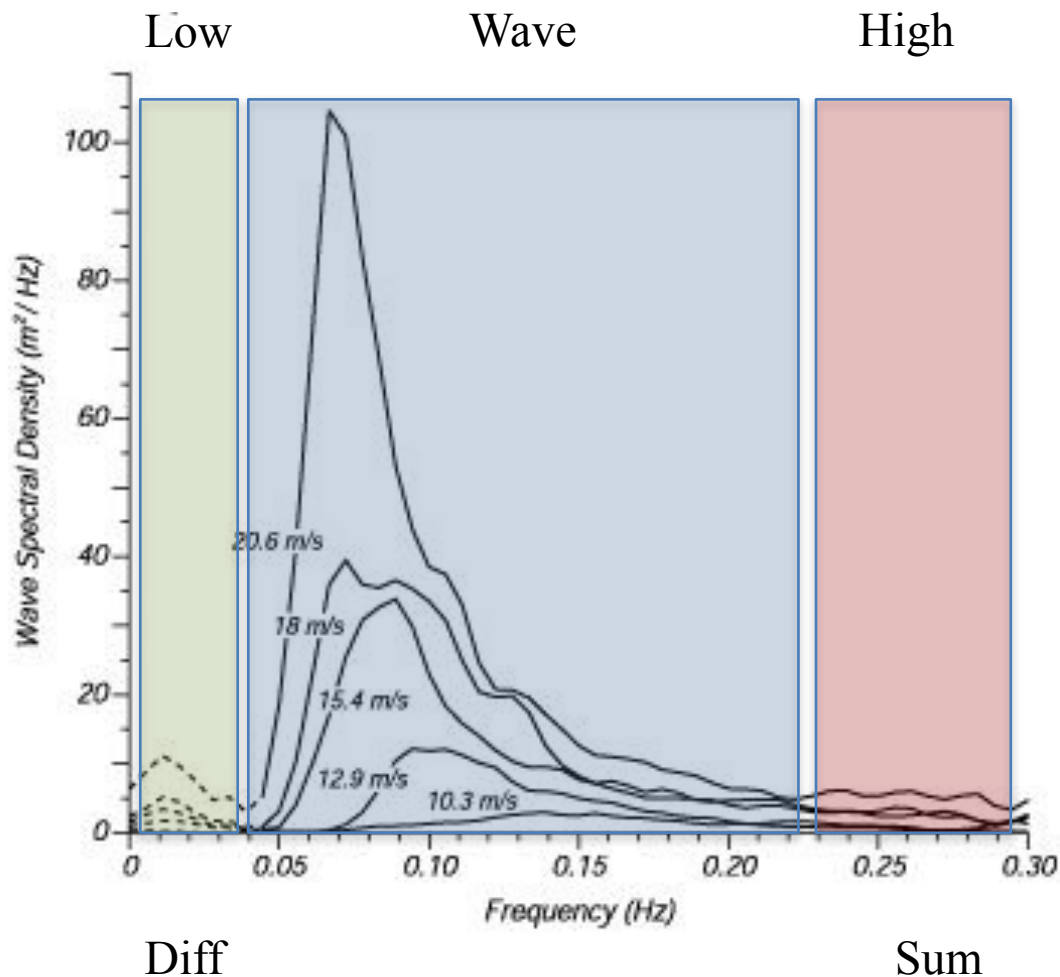


# POLIMI DTU 10MW scale model & HIL



Bayati, Belloli, Bernini, Fiore, Giberti, Zasso, "On the functional design of the DTU10 MW wind turbine scale model within LIFES50+ project", Journal of Physics: conference series, 2016 (Torque Conference)

# Interaction: key role of Frequency Ranges



## Wave Range

Low Frequency

Wave Frequency

High Frequency

## Wave Type

Second Order Difference

Linear

Second Order Sum

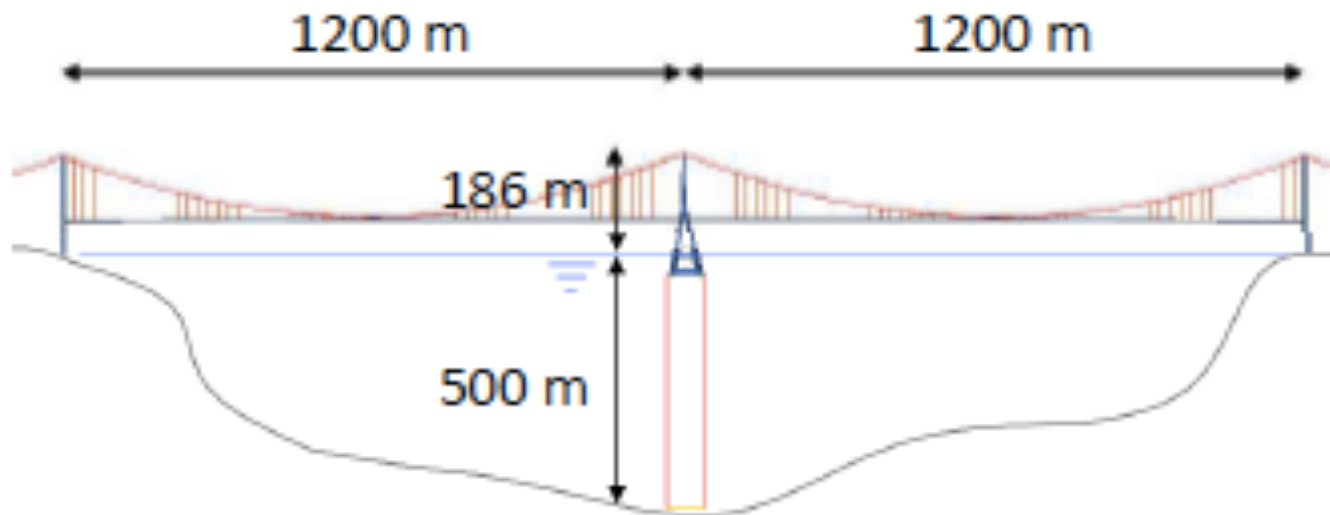
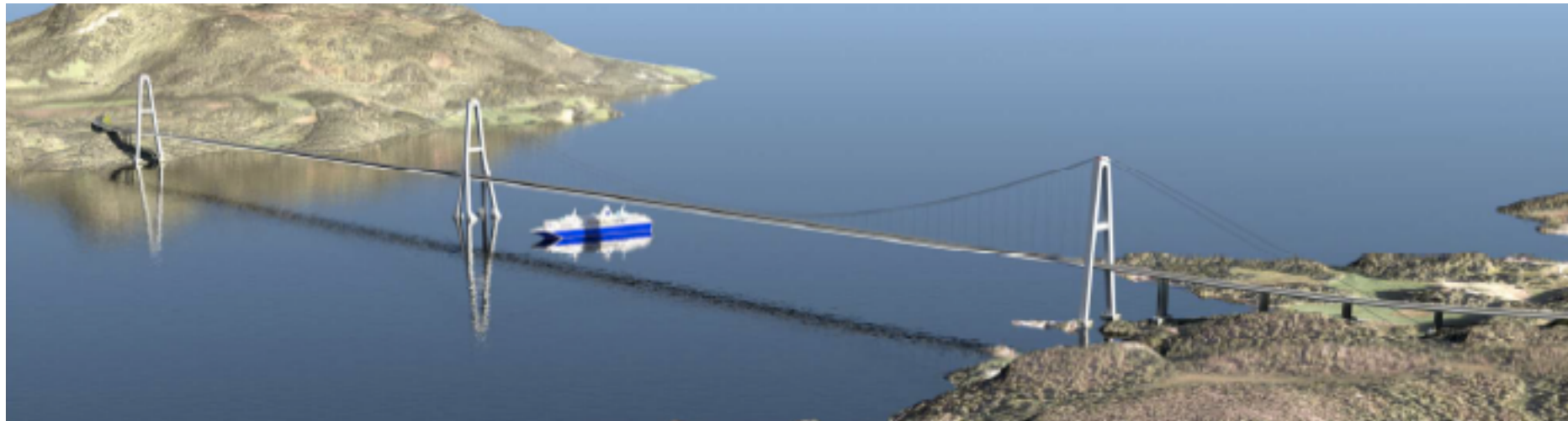
## Natural Freq. Floating Bridge

Spar / Barge / TLP

Bridge / Multispan

Mutual Interaction

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