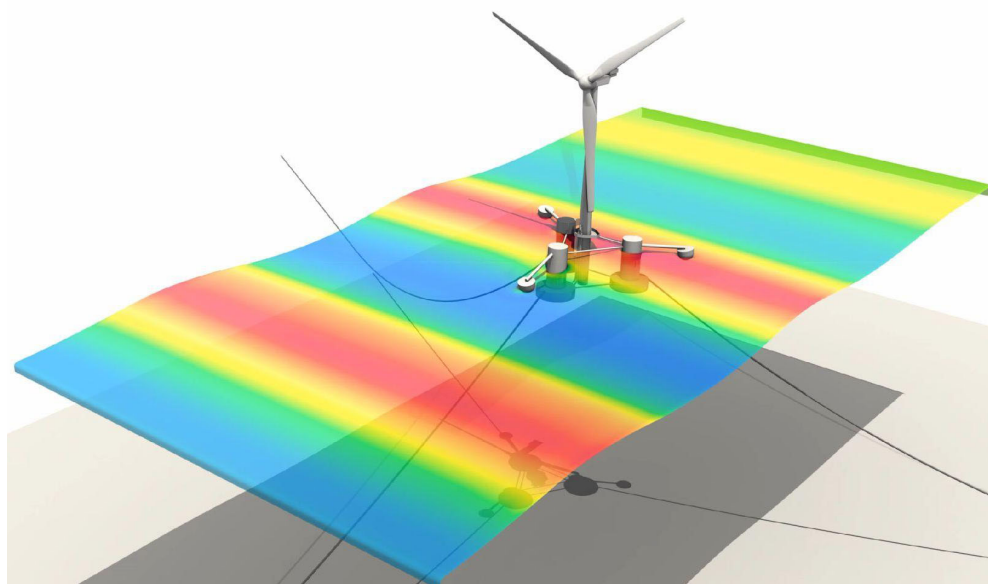


High-Performance Computing to Support Wave Energy Development



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Wave Energy

La energía undimotriz puede ser relevante en el futuro.

- La energía undimotriz tiene un potencial enorme, con una **densidad energética** considerablemente mayor que la de la eólica y la solar.
- Los convertidores de energía undimotriz pueden operar hasta el **90 % del tiempo**, en comparación con el 20–30 % de los dispositivos eólicos y solares..
- La energía undimotriz muestra una **buena correlación con la demanda**, ya que alrededor del 37 % de la población mundial vive a menos de 90 km de la costa..

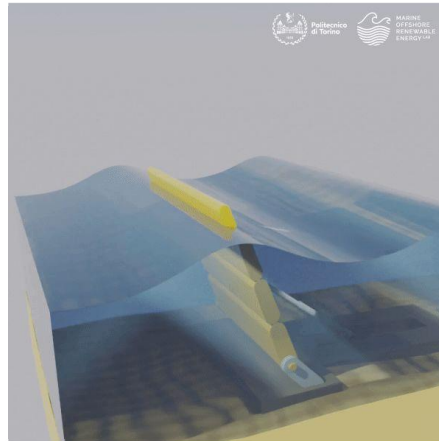
Sin embargo

- La energía undimotriz tiene que competir contra tecnologías más maduras en las que la inversión ya está realizada.
- Existen múltiples tecnologías.

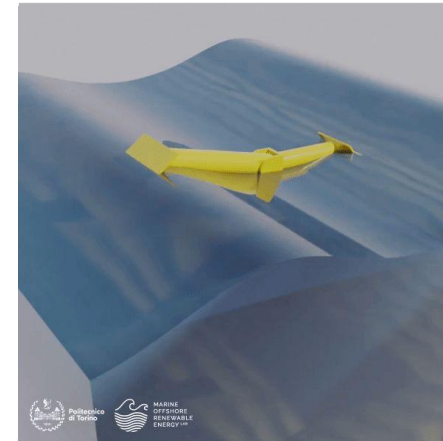
VALIDATIONS AND APPLICATIONS: **Wave Energy Converters (WECs)**



Point Absorber



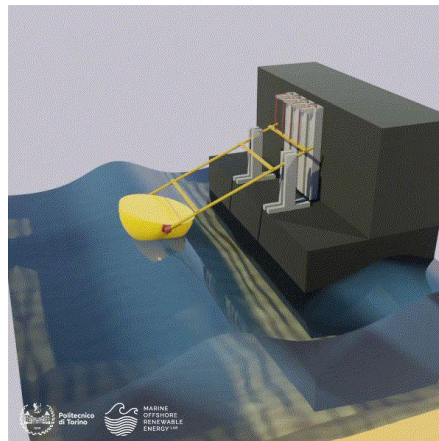
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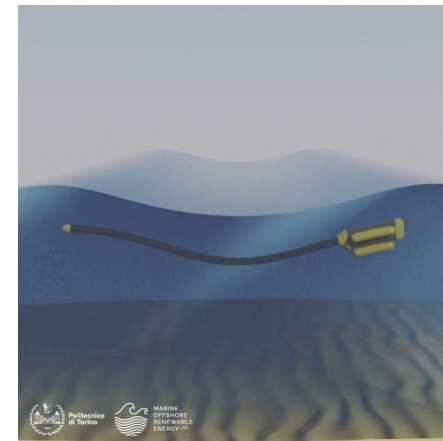
Surface Attenuator



Oscillating Water Column



WaveStar-type WEC



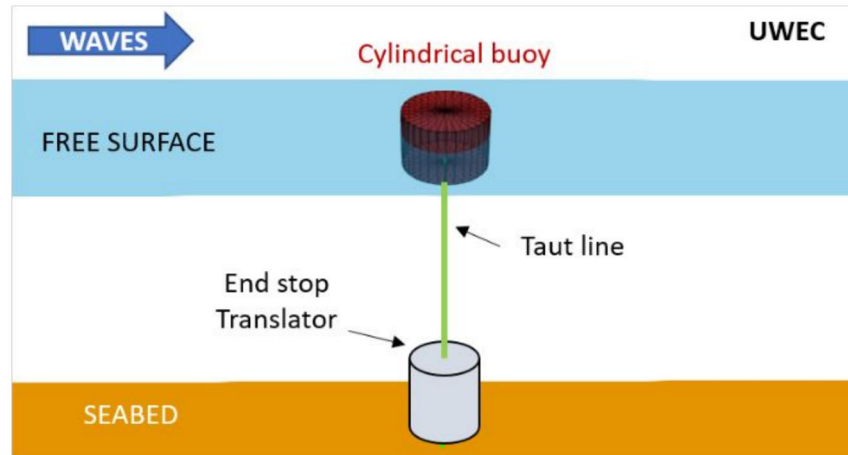
Flexible Pressure Differential

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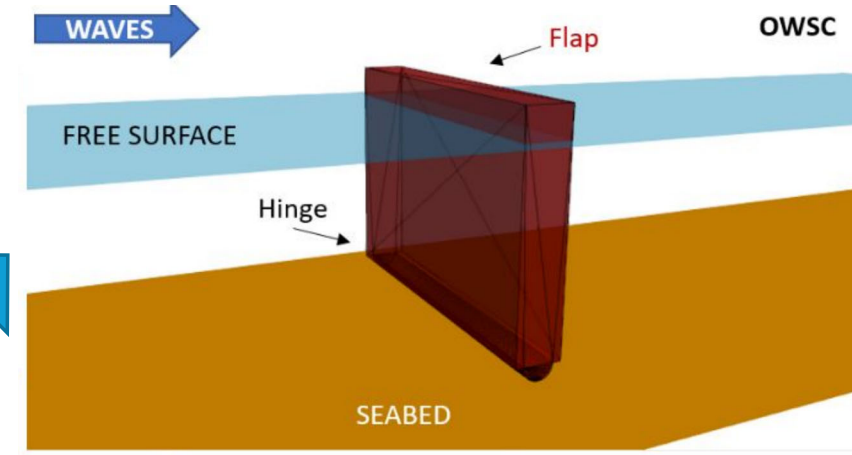
TRL	Descripción general	Ejemplo en energía undimotriz
1	Principios básicos observados	Identificación del potencial energético de las olas y conceptos físicos iniciales.
2	Formulación de la tecnología	Desarrollo de ideas de dispositivos (absorbedores puntuales, columnas de agua oscilante, etc.).
3	Prueba de concepto analítica o experimental	Modelos matemáticos y pruebas de laboratorio a escala reducida en canal de olas.
4	Validación en laboratorio	Prototipos a pequeña escala probados en tanque de olas bajo condiciones controladas.
5	Validación en entorno relevante	Prototipos a escala intermedia en instalaciones de ensayo costeras o de laboratorio avanzado.
6	Demostración de sistema en entorno relevante	Dispositivo a escala reducida desplegado en mar real con condiciones controladas (puerto, bahía protegida).
7	Demostración de sistema en entorno operativo	Prototipo a escala real instalado en mar abierto bajo condiciones operativas.
8	Sistema completo y cualificado	Dispositivo a escala real probado de manera sostenida, validando rendimiento, fiabilidad y mantenimiento.
9	Sistema probado en operación comercial	Planta undimotriz en operación comercial conectada a red eléctrica y en funcionamiento continuo.

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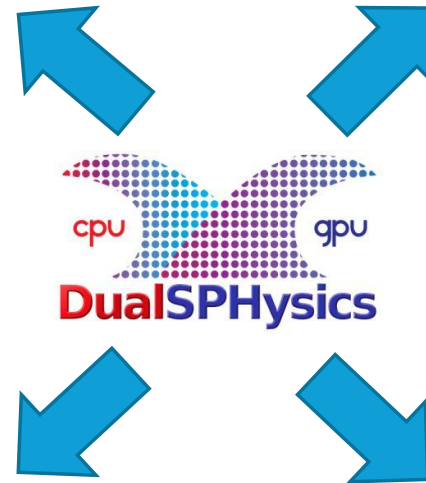
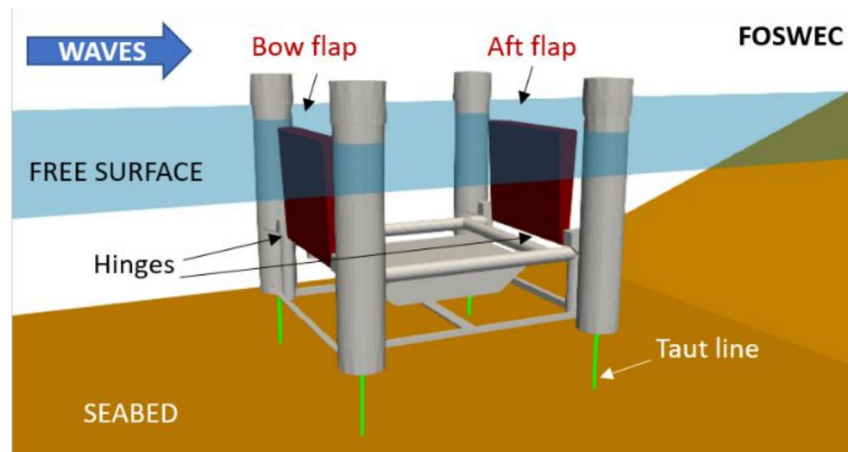
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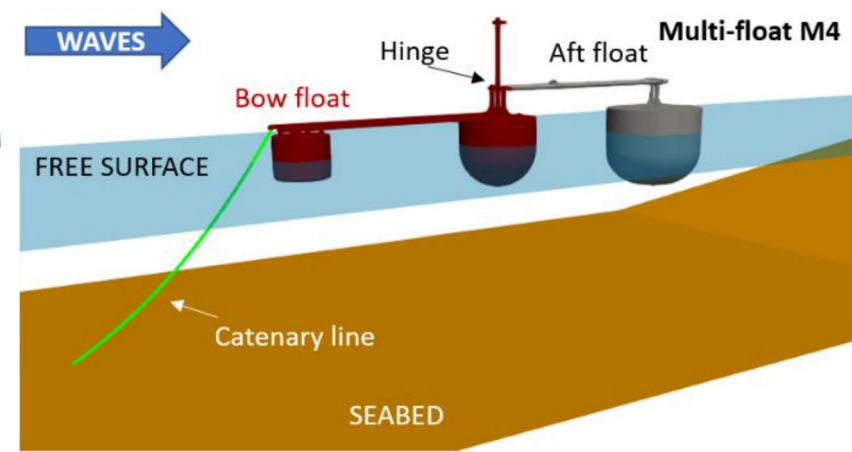
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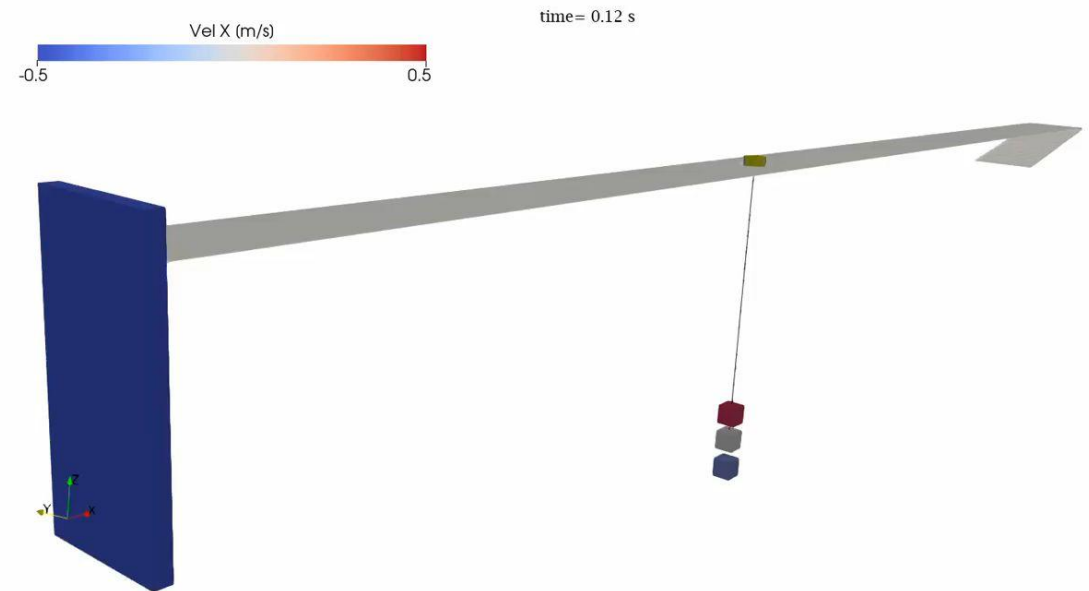
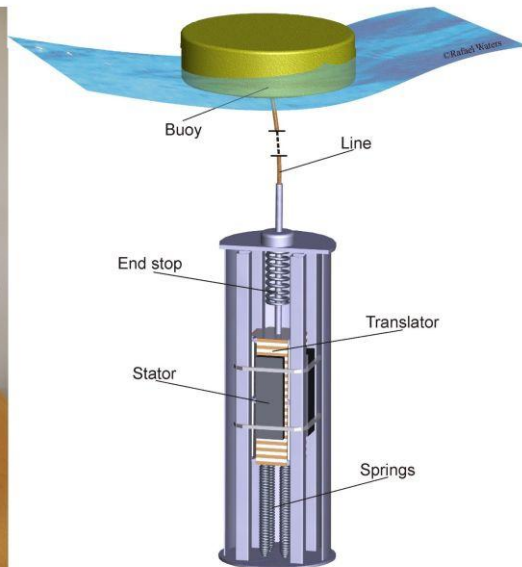
Multi-float M4



VALIDATIONS AND APPLICATIONS: Wave Energy Converters (WECs)

Uppsala Point Absorber

- **Floating buoy** and a linear magnet generator (PTO) **connected via a line**.
- The generator is attached on a **ballasted platform** fixed at the seabed.



Source: *Göteman et al., 2015*

The model is asserted by friction brakes acting on the translator

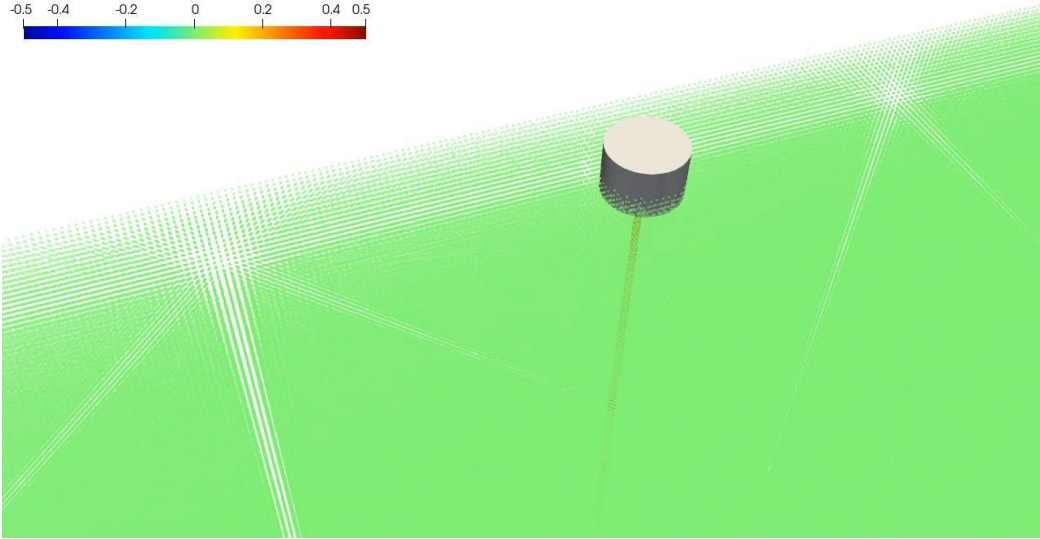
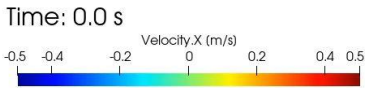
A taut mooring line transmits the rectified motion of the buoy to the translator



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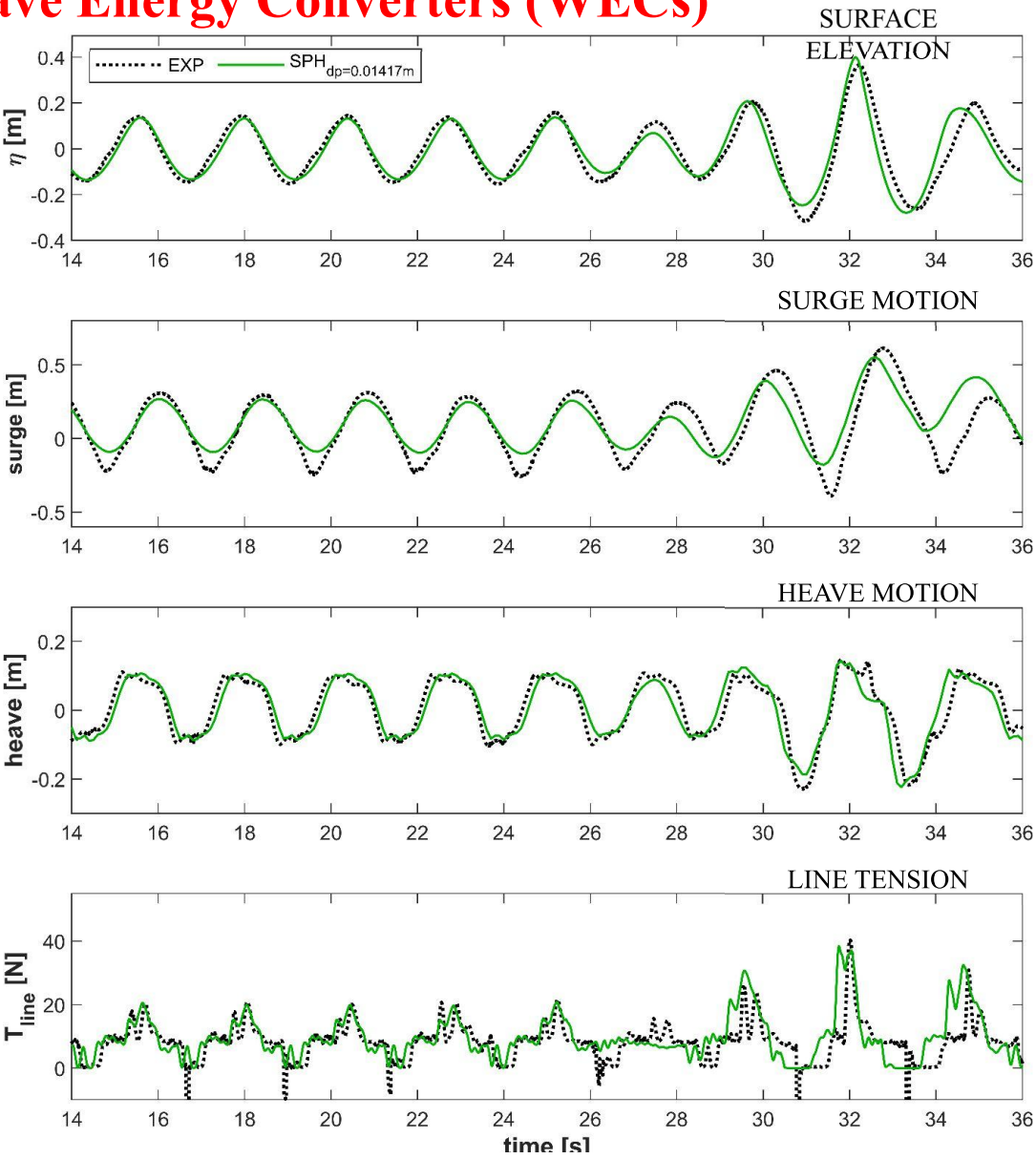
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Focused wave train ($H_{focus}=0.38\text{ m}$, $T_{focus}=2.604\text{ s}$)
embedded into regular wave background ($H=0.27\text{ m}$, $T=2.4\text{ s}$)
PTO configuration with only internal **damping** (2.79 Ns/m)

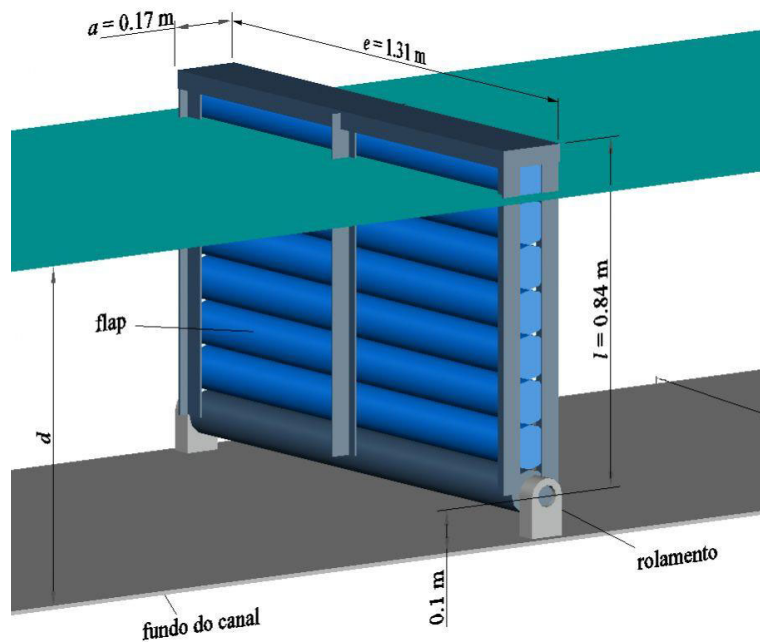
$dp\text{ [m]}$	0.0425	0.02125	0.01417
H/dp	8.47	16.94	25.41
particles	$2.03 \cdot 10^5$	$1.89 \cdot 10^6$	$6.43 \cdot 10^6$
runtime	1.0 h	10.6 h	48.3 h
runtime/second	1.5 min	16.8 min	1.3 h



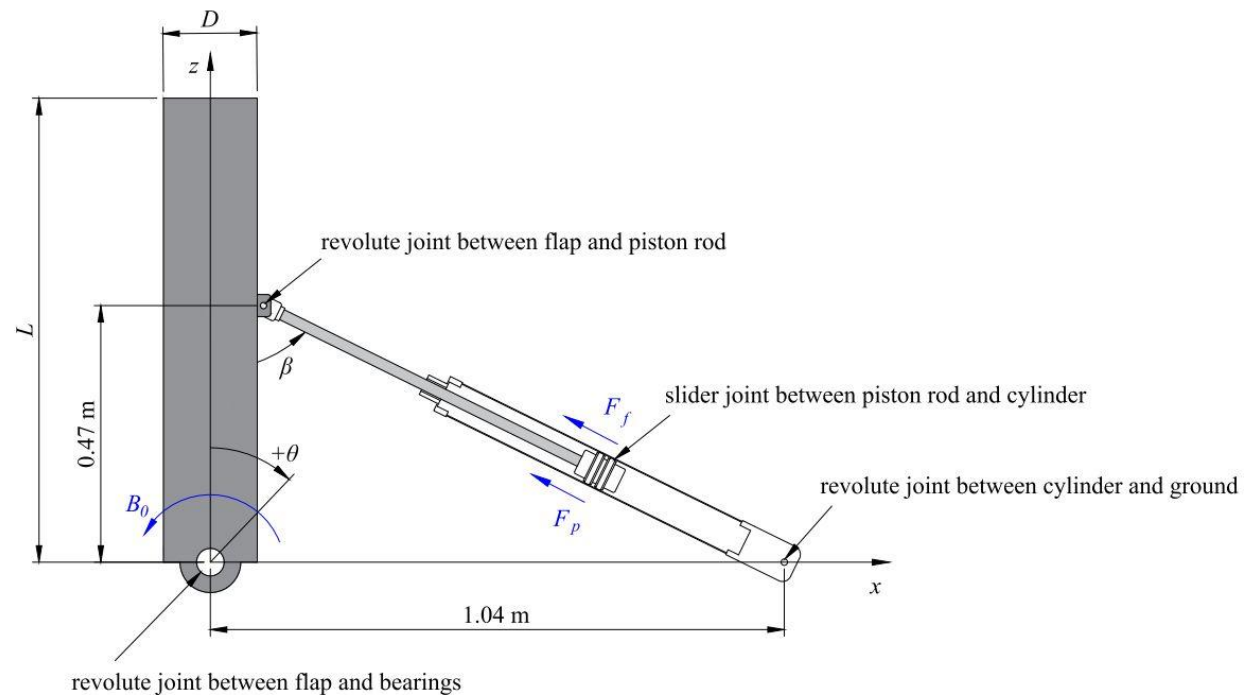
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Oscillating Wave Surge Converter

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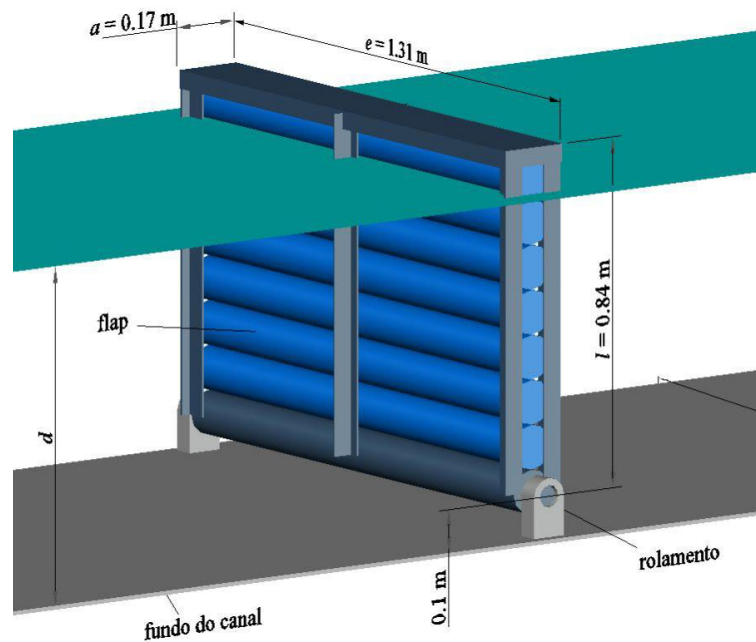
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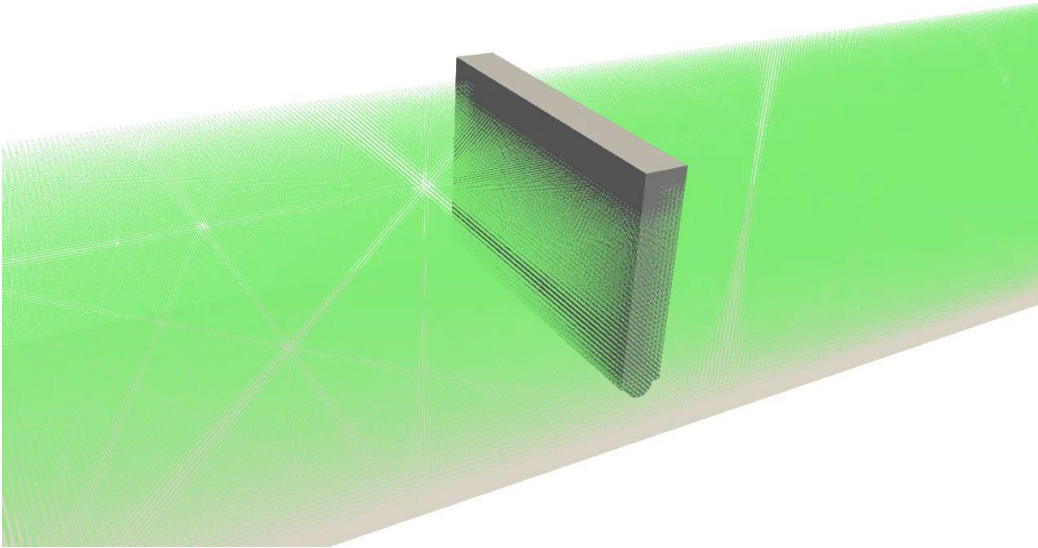
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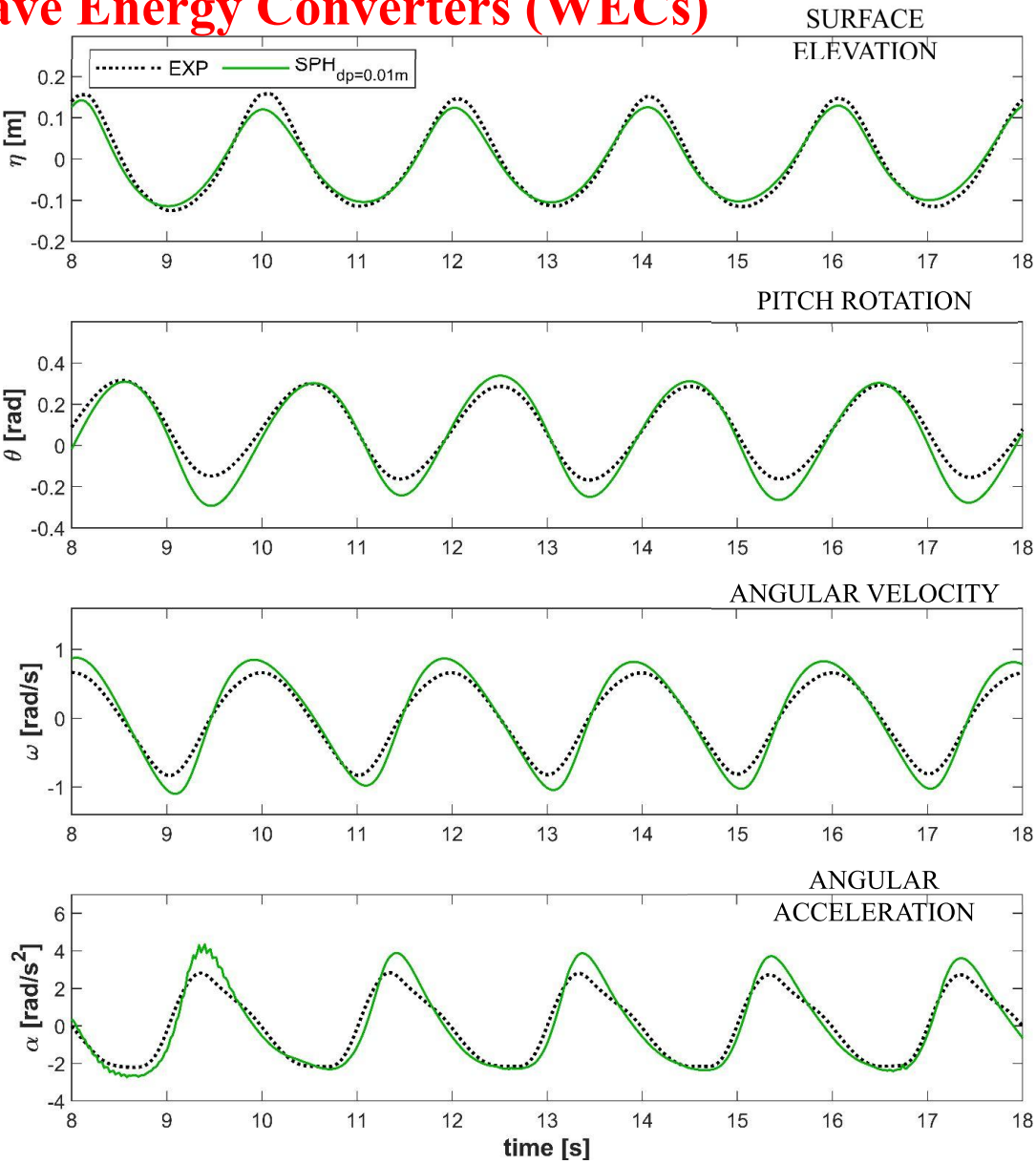
Time: 0.00 s



Regular wave ($H=0.25$ m, $T=2$ s, depth=0.825 m)



dp [m]	0.03	0.02	0.01
H/dp	8.33	12.50	25.00
particles	$1.20 \cdot 10^6$	$3.87 \cdot 10^6$	$2.92 \cdot 10^7$
runtime [h]	1.4 h	6.4 h	91.2 h
runtime/second	4.2 min	16.9 min	4.6 h

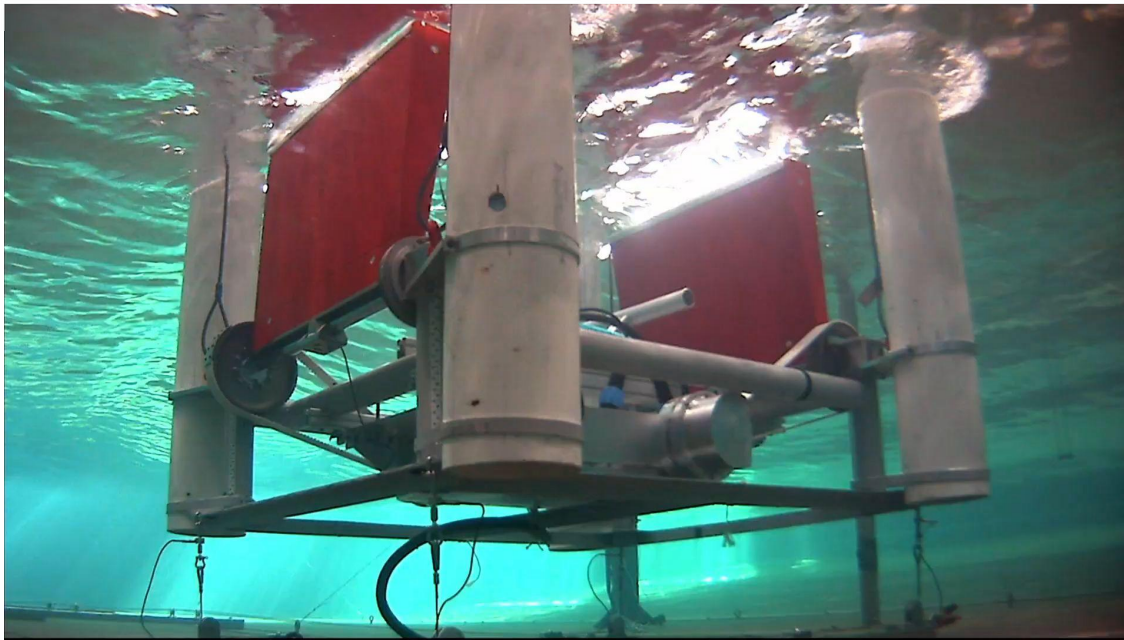


VALIDATIONS AND APPLICATIONS: Wave Energy Converters (WECs)



Floating Oscillating Surge Wave Energy Converter (FOSWEC)

- FOSWEC is a **dualflap** device with a submerged central platform serving as the host for the two flaps.
- The flaps are hinged to **pivot around shafts** mounted to the hull and are controlled by independent motors (PTO).



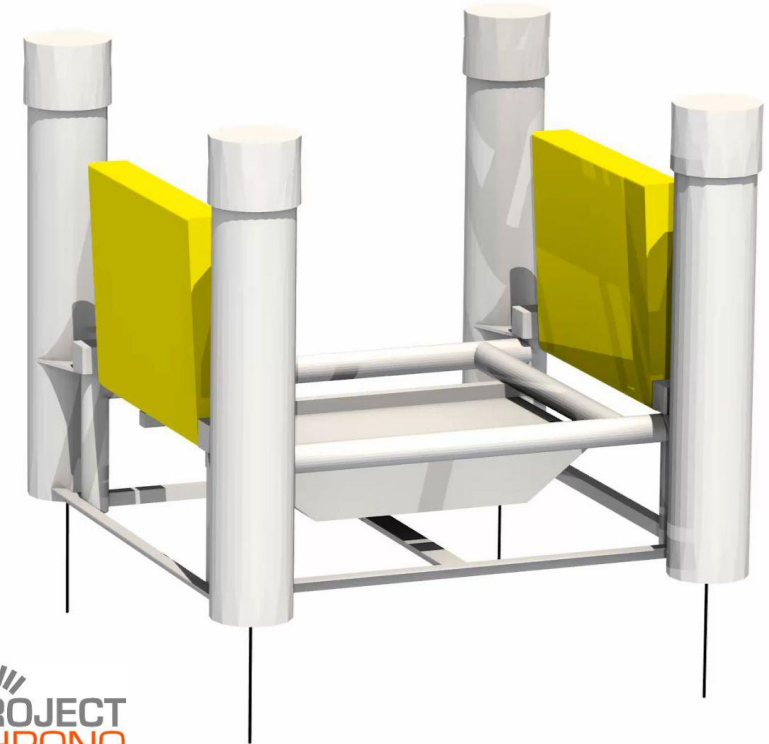
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Stiffness and damping coefficients of the PTO system

The hull is anchored by 4 mooring taut vertical lines



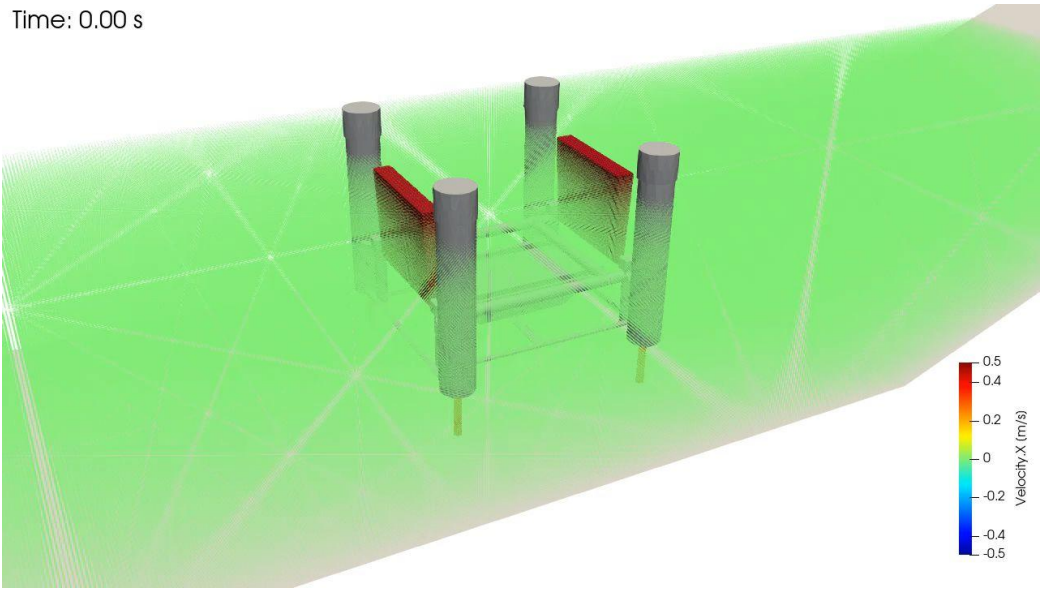
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FOSWEC

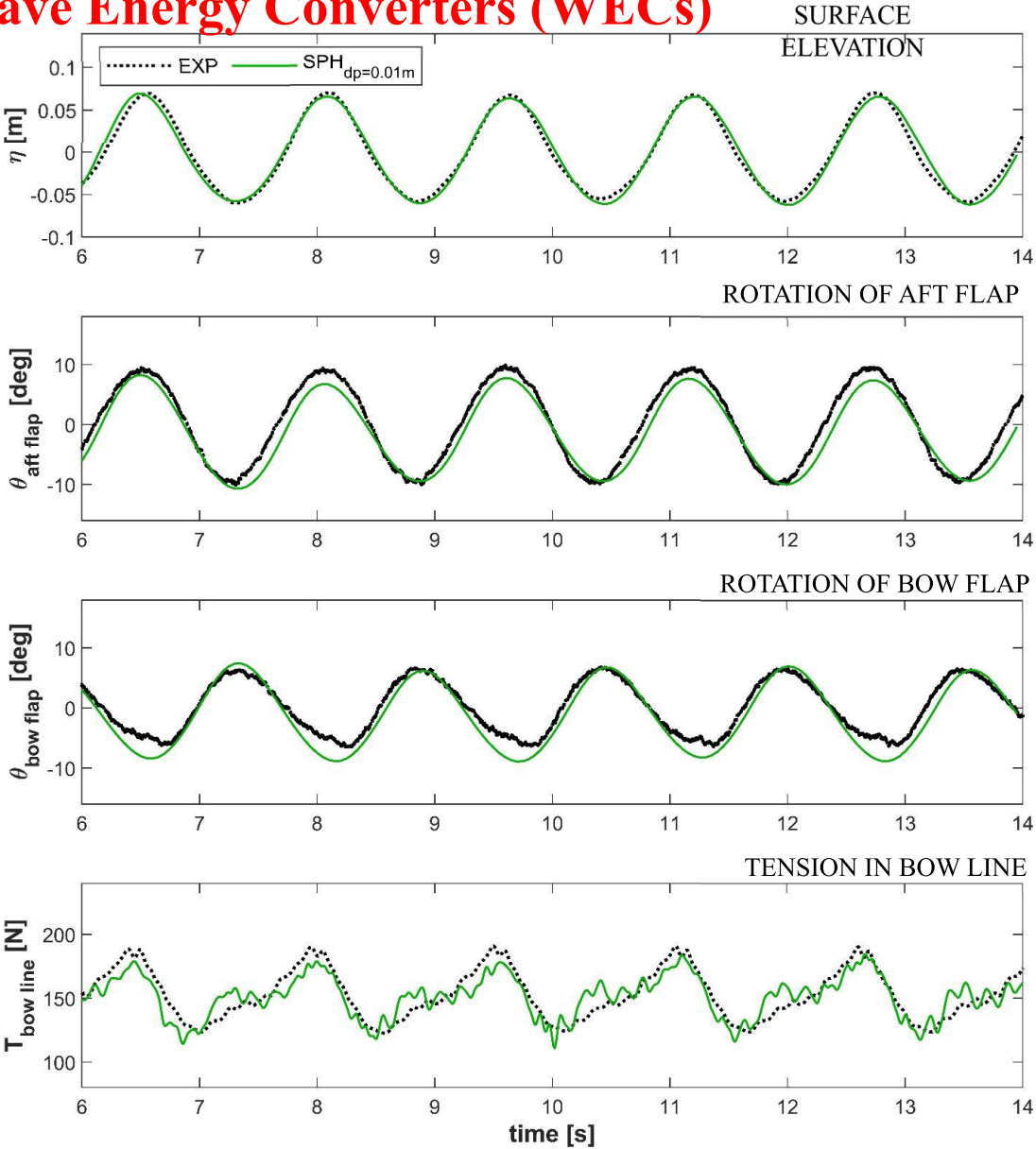
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Regular wave ($H=0.136$ m, $T=1.5625$ s, depth=1.36 m)



dp [m]	0.03	0.02	0.01
H/dp	4.53	6.80	13.60
particles	$1.45 \cdot 10^5$	$4.78 \cdot 10^6$	$3.68 \cdot 10^7$
runtime	1.4 h	6.5 h	100.9 h
runtime/second	6.1 min	28.0 min	7.2 h



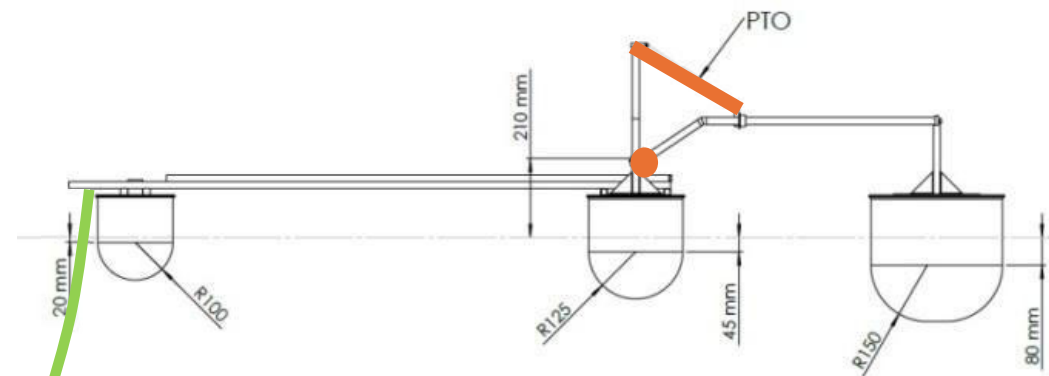
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Multi-float M4

- The multi-float M4 comprises several floats with **multi-mode forcing**.
- The cylindrical **floats have different diameters and drafts** with hemispherical bases.
- The diameters of the floats and their drafts **increase from bow to aft to facilitate the alignment** with the wave direction.



Source: *Santo et al., 2017*



Interaction wave-WEC

Mooring line

Mechanical constraint “hinge”

Pneumatic actuator or damper

SPH

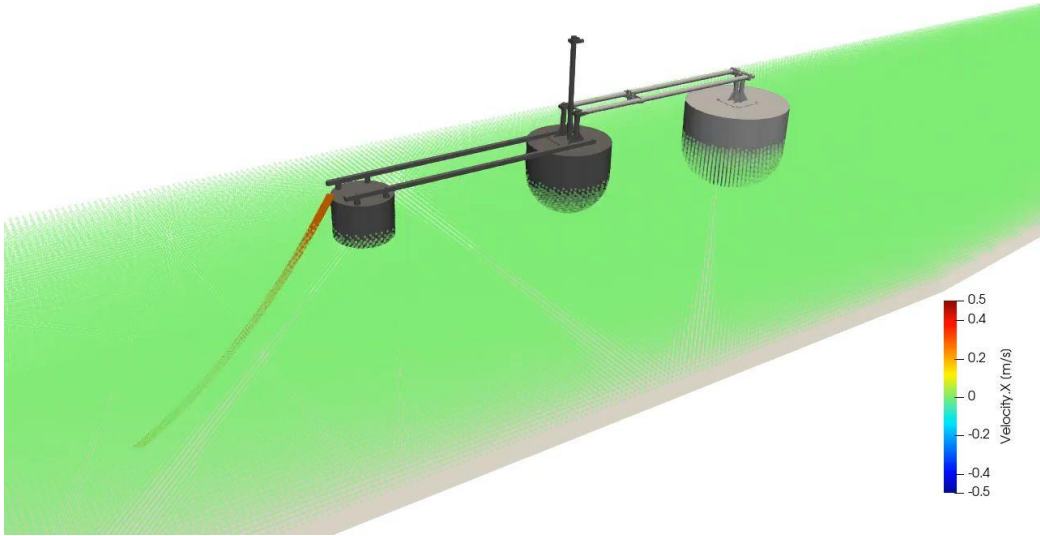
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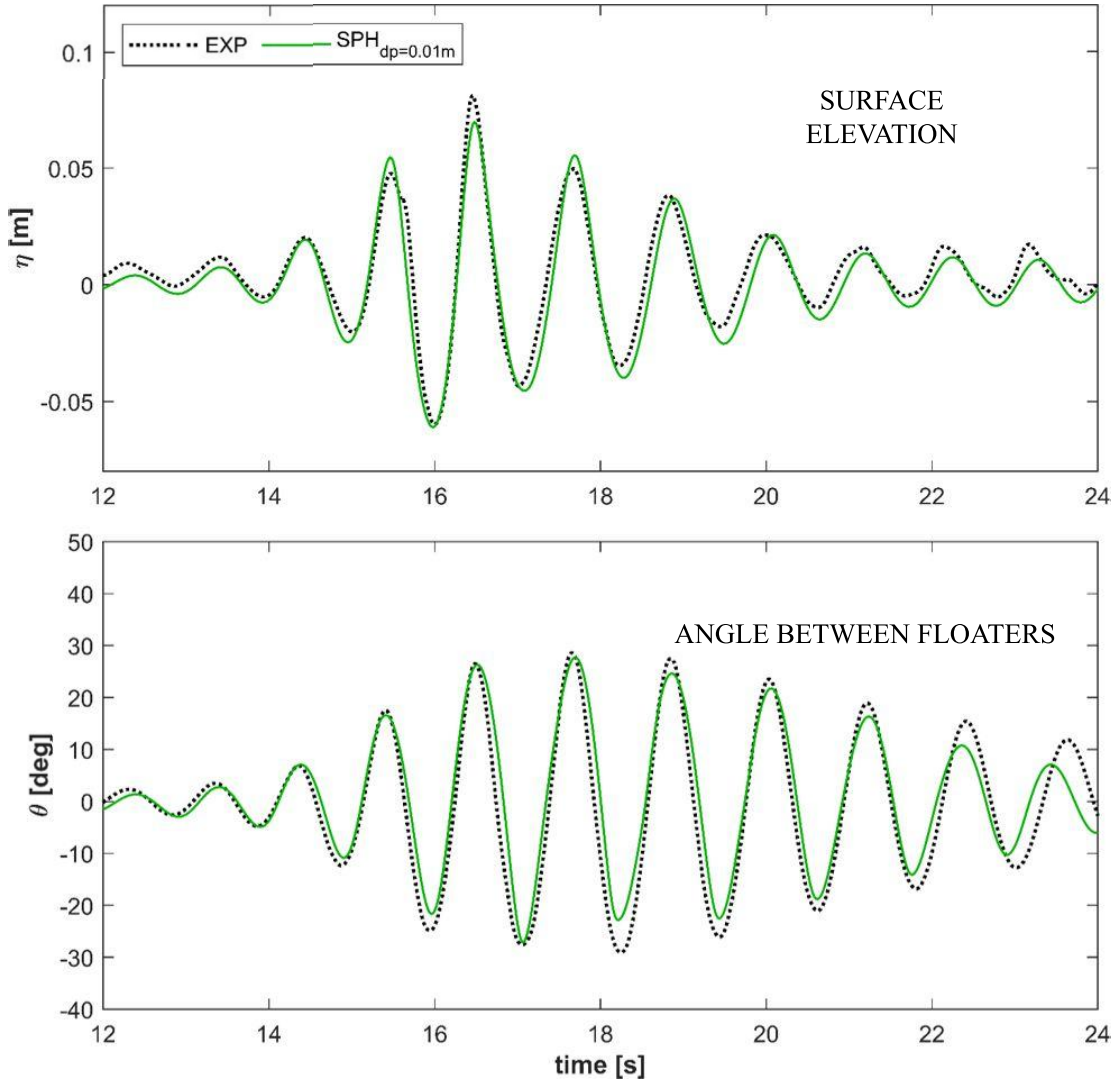
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Focused wave (H_{focus} =0.16 m, T_{focus} =1.1 s, depth=0.6 m)

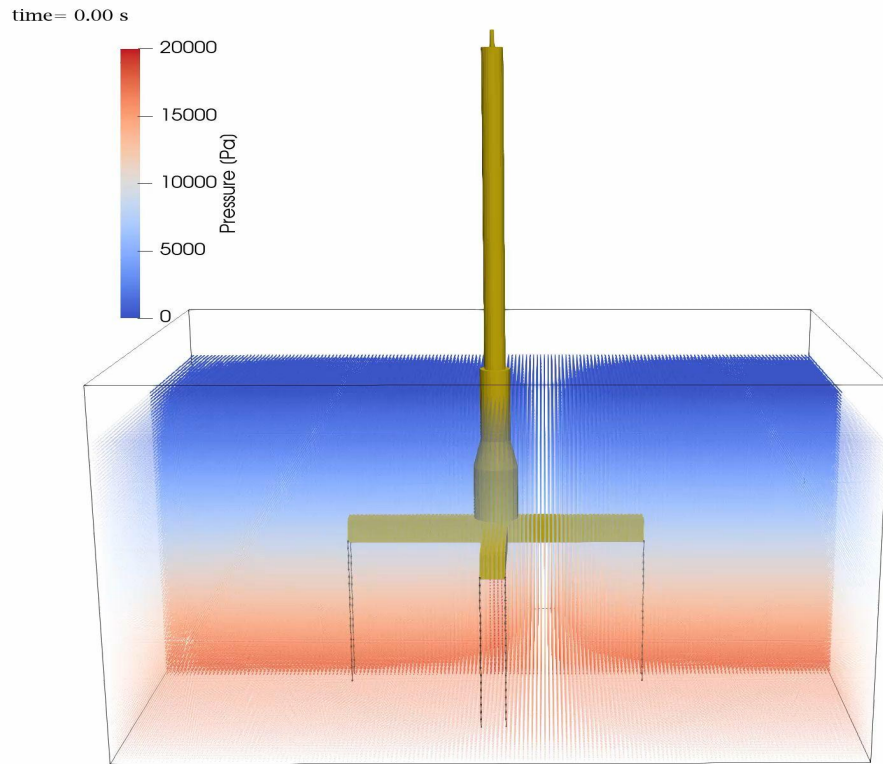


dp [m]	0.03	0.02	0.01
H/dp	5.33	8.00	16.00
particles	$3.30 \cdot 10^5$	$1.20 \cdot 10^6$	$7.46 \cdot 10^6$
runtime	0.6 h	2.1 h	24.9 h
runtime/second	1.4 min	4.9 min	59.6 min

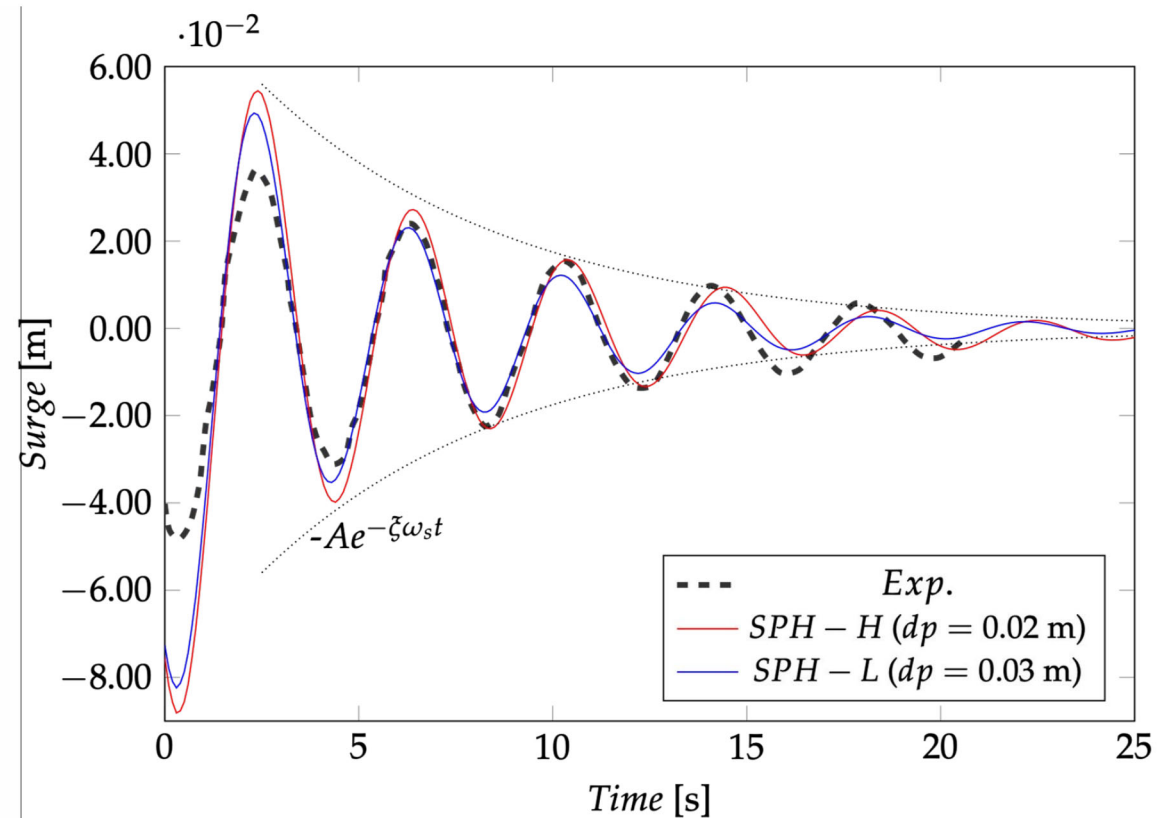


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Tension-Leg platform



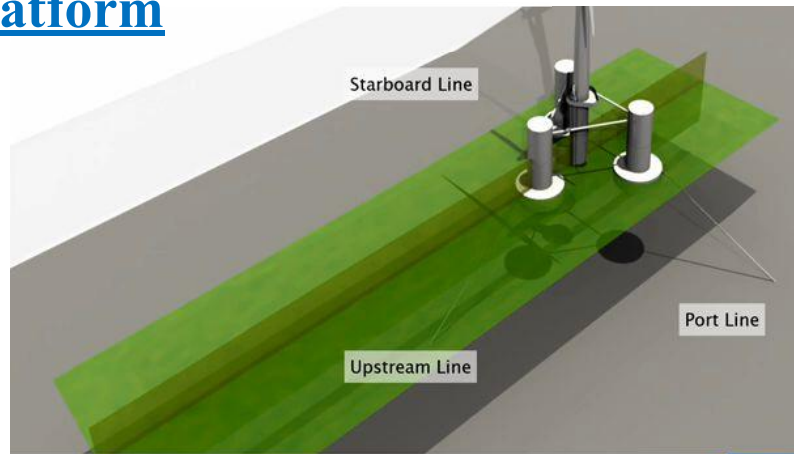
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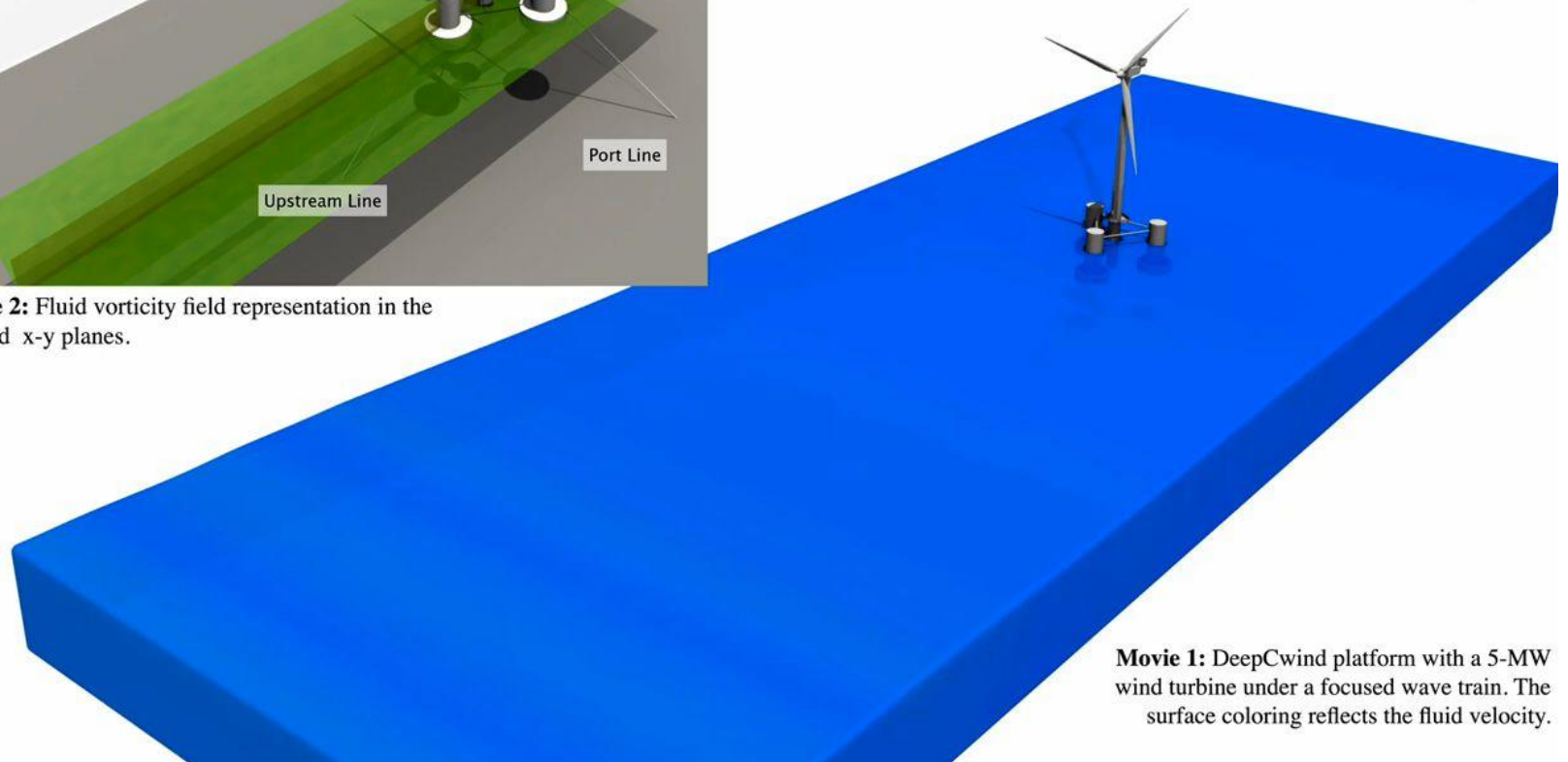
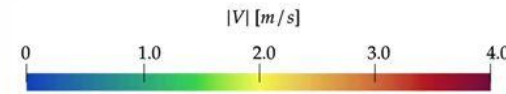
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DeepCwind platform

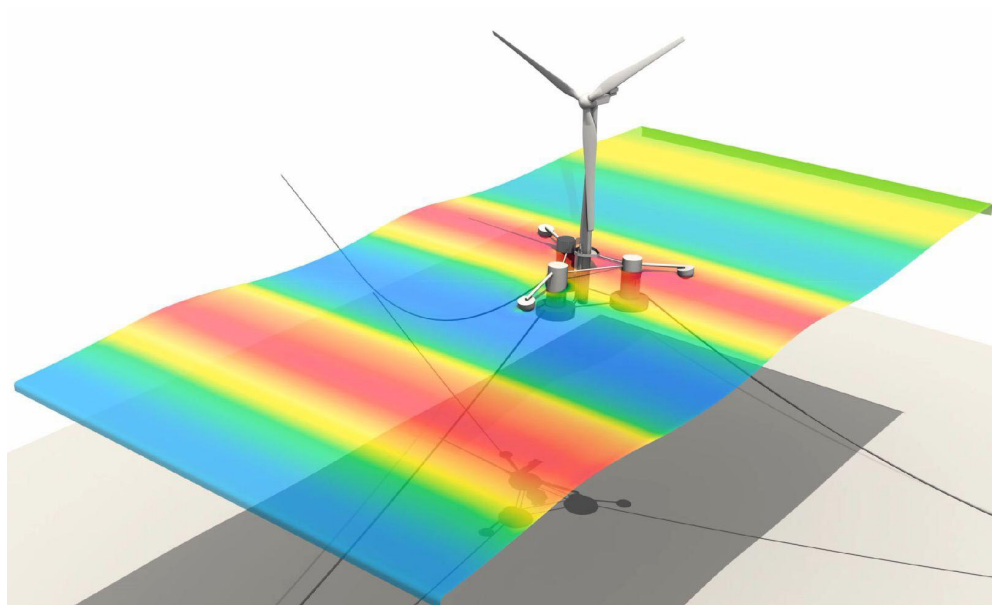


Movie 2: Fluid vorticity field representation in the x-z and x-y planes.



Movie 1: DeepCwind platform with a 5-MW wind turbine under a focused wave train. The surface coloring reflects the fluid velocity.

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DeepCwind platform & Wave Star wave generator

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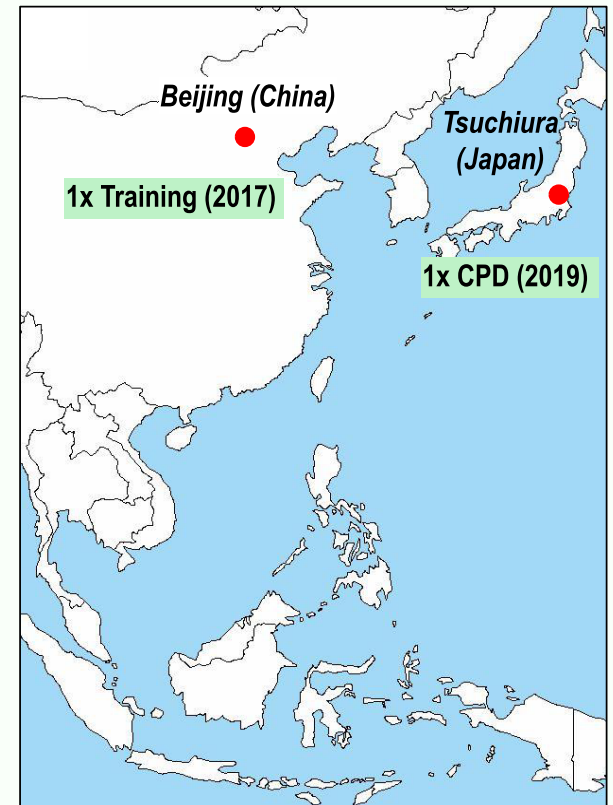
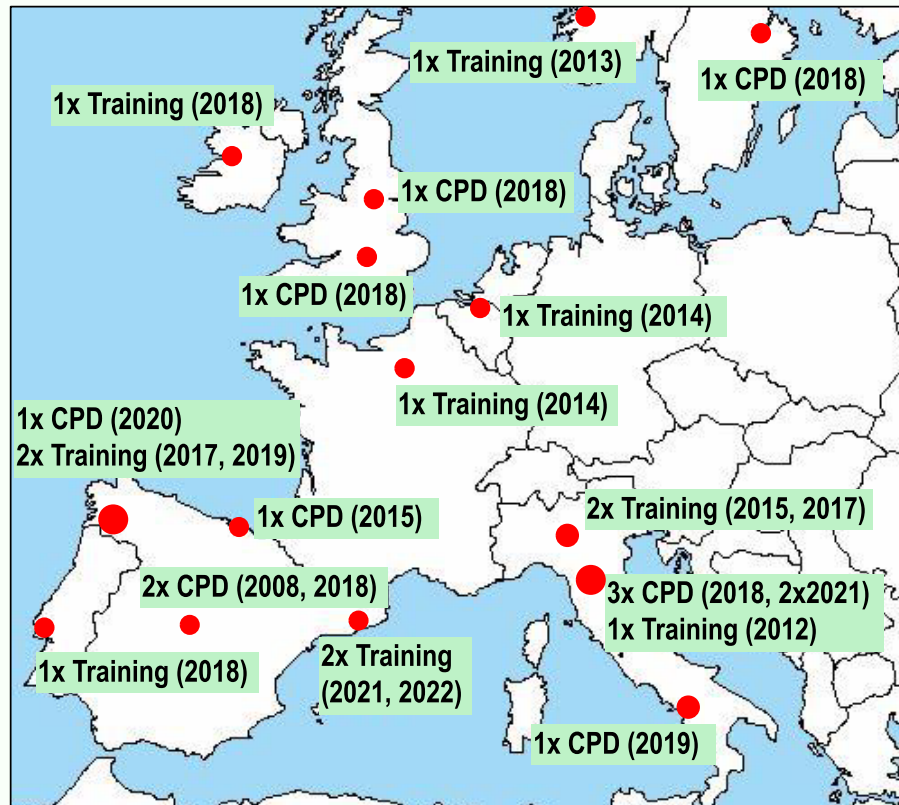
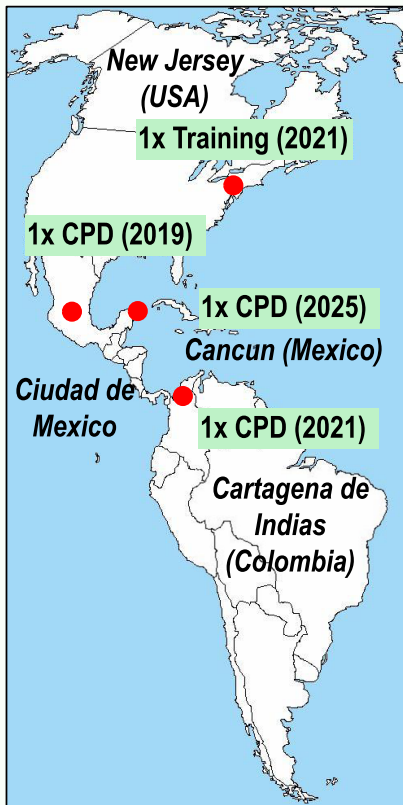
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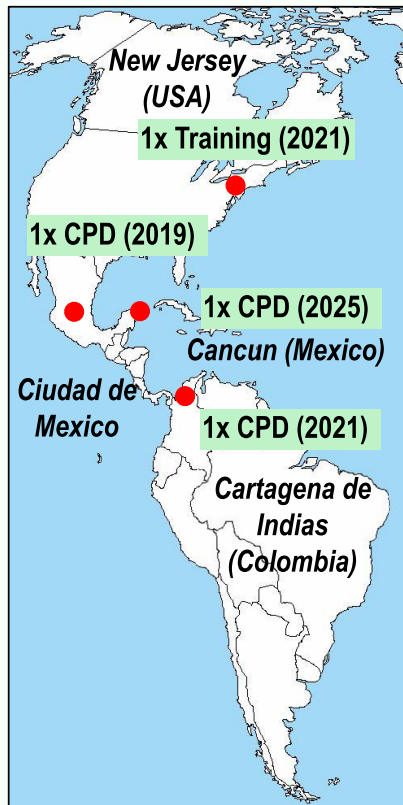
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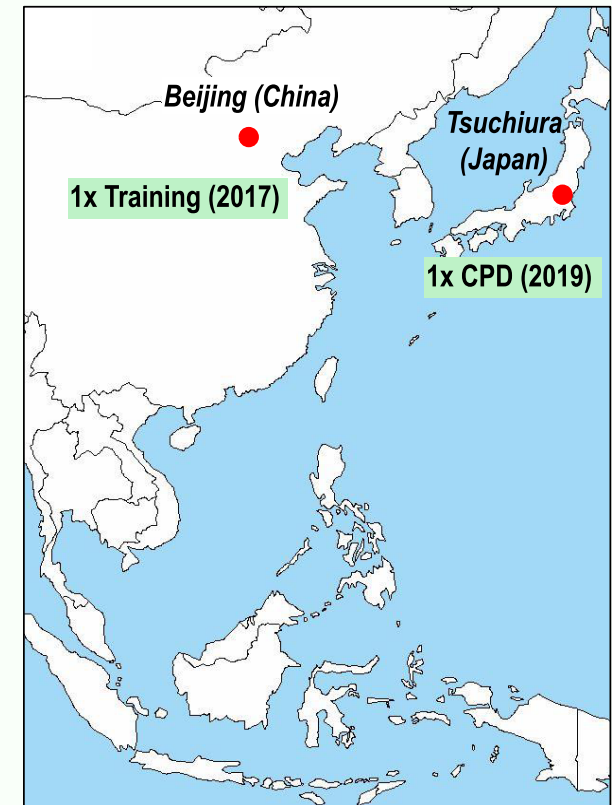
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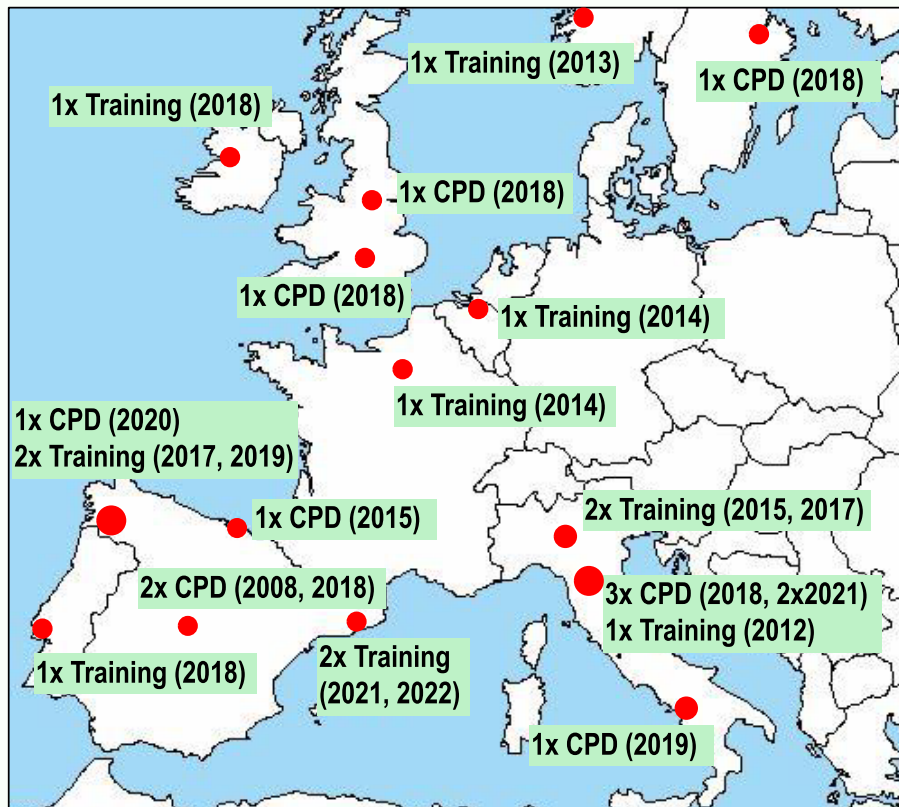
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