

Quasi-dynamic global strength analysis of a passenger ship in regular waves

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Introduction

Aims

- Prepare the procedure and conduct global strength analysis for a typical cruise ship
- Implement quasi-dynamic analysis for global strength
- Compare class society's wave bending moment with the results

Limitations

- Conceptual early design level
- Attention to the hydrodynamic loading
- Simplified seakeeping analysis, for regular waves only



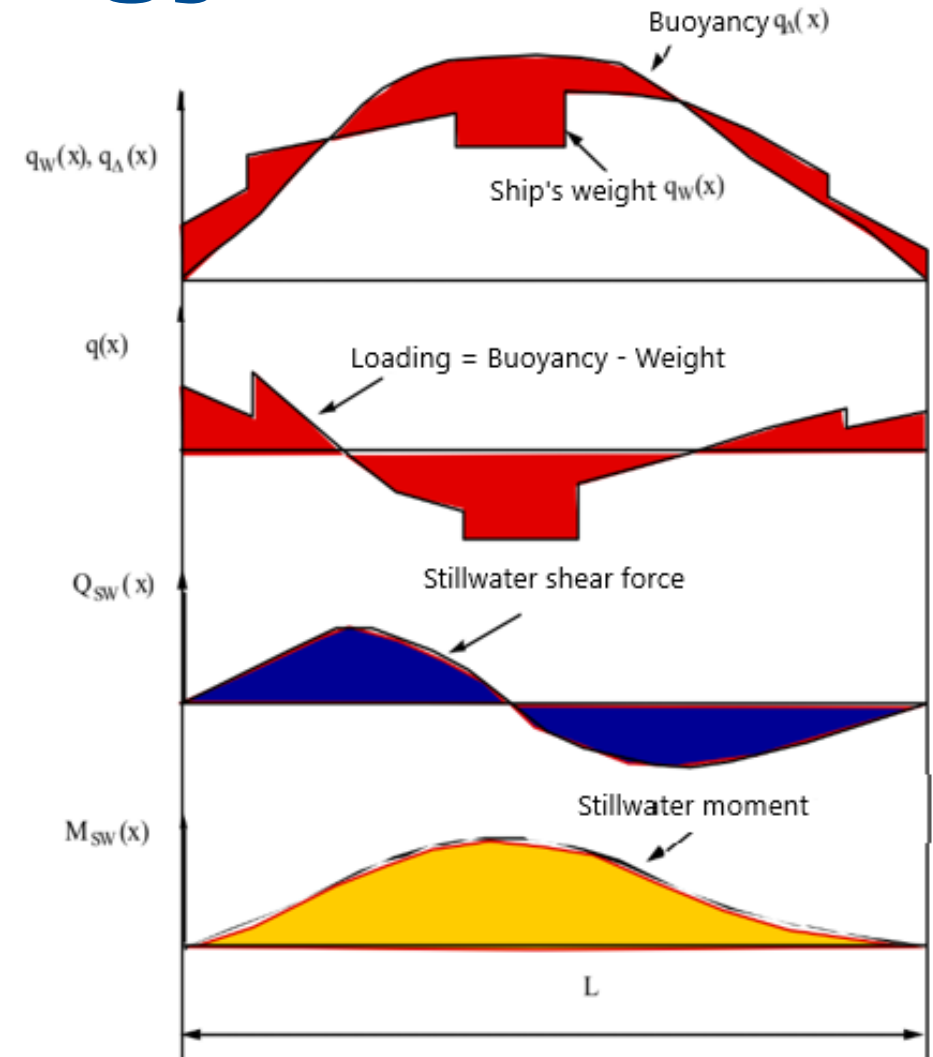
Methodology

1. Still water condition

- Ship's weight
- Buoyancy force = hydrostatic pressure

This results in:

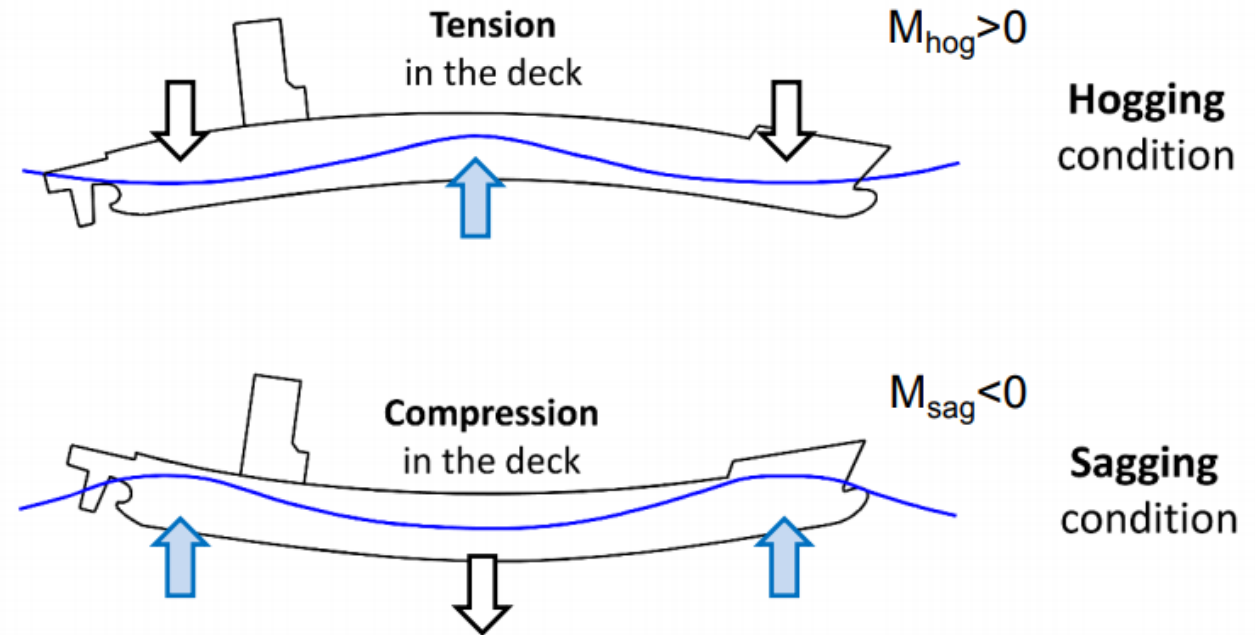
- Still water bending moment
- Still water shear force



Methodology

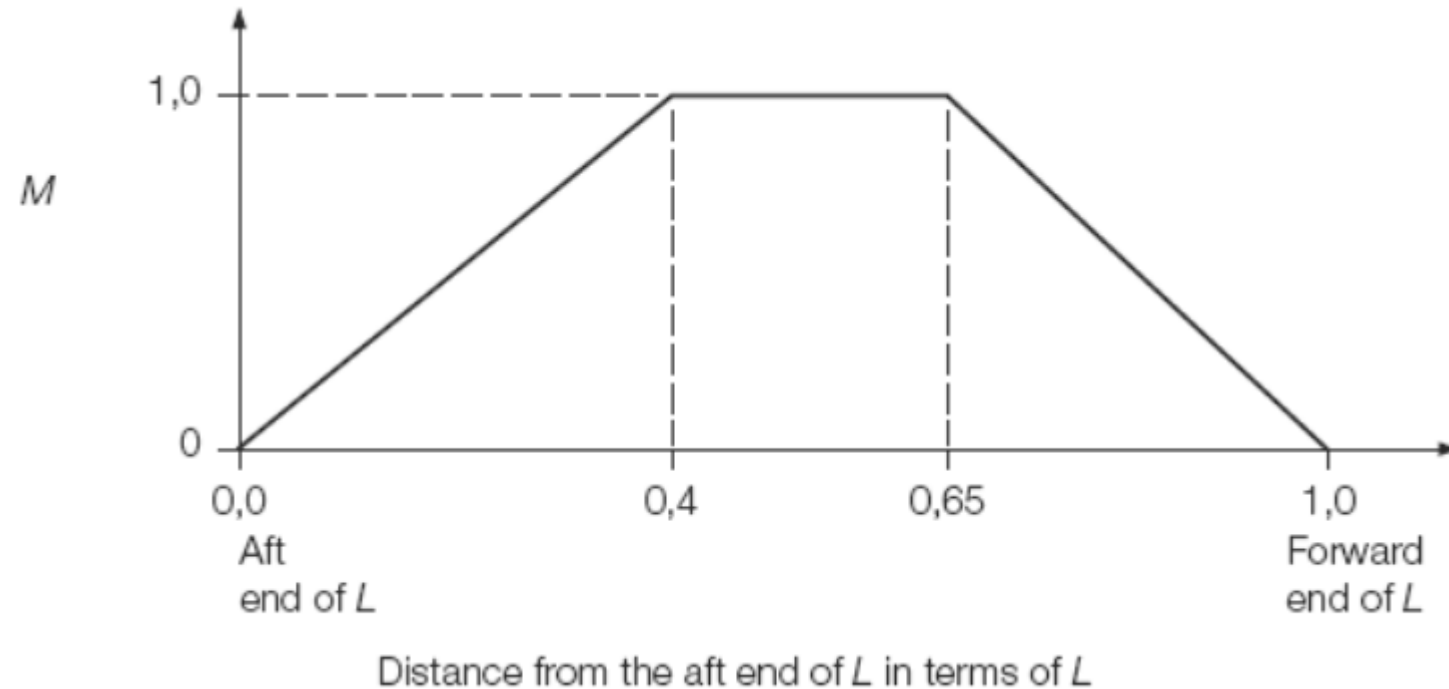
2. Wave condition

- Vessel in waves + Still water loads
- Wave-induced hydro-pressures
- Higher hogging and sagging loads than in still water
- Worst case scenario



Classification Society Approach

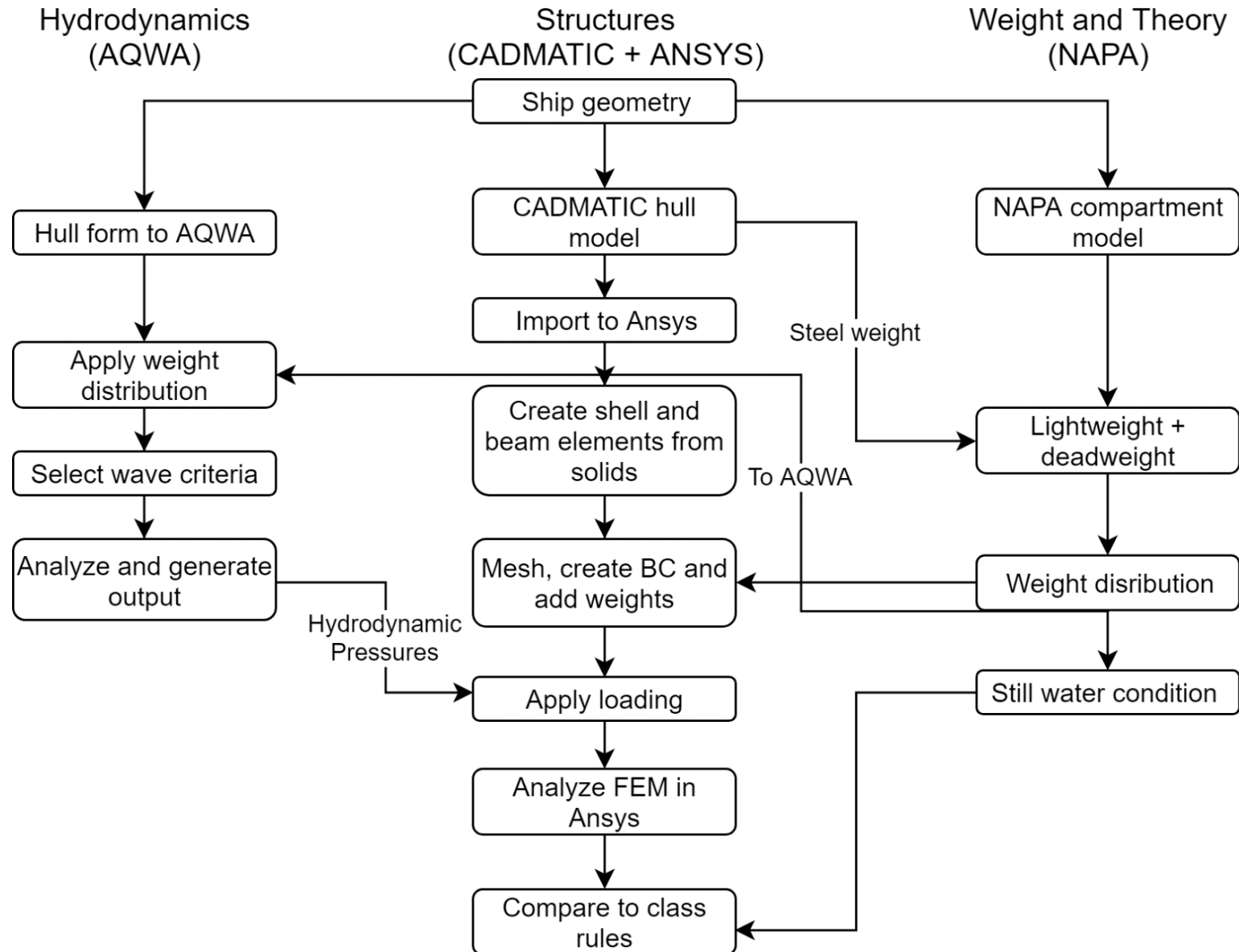
- Limitations for maximum BM, SF
- Values based on empirical statistics of vessel types
- Midship as the main interest area
- Direct analysis when cruise ship design limits are not covered by Class Rule BM,SF empirical formulae



Quasi-static vs quasi-dynamic

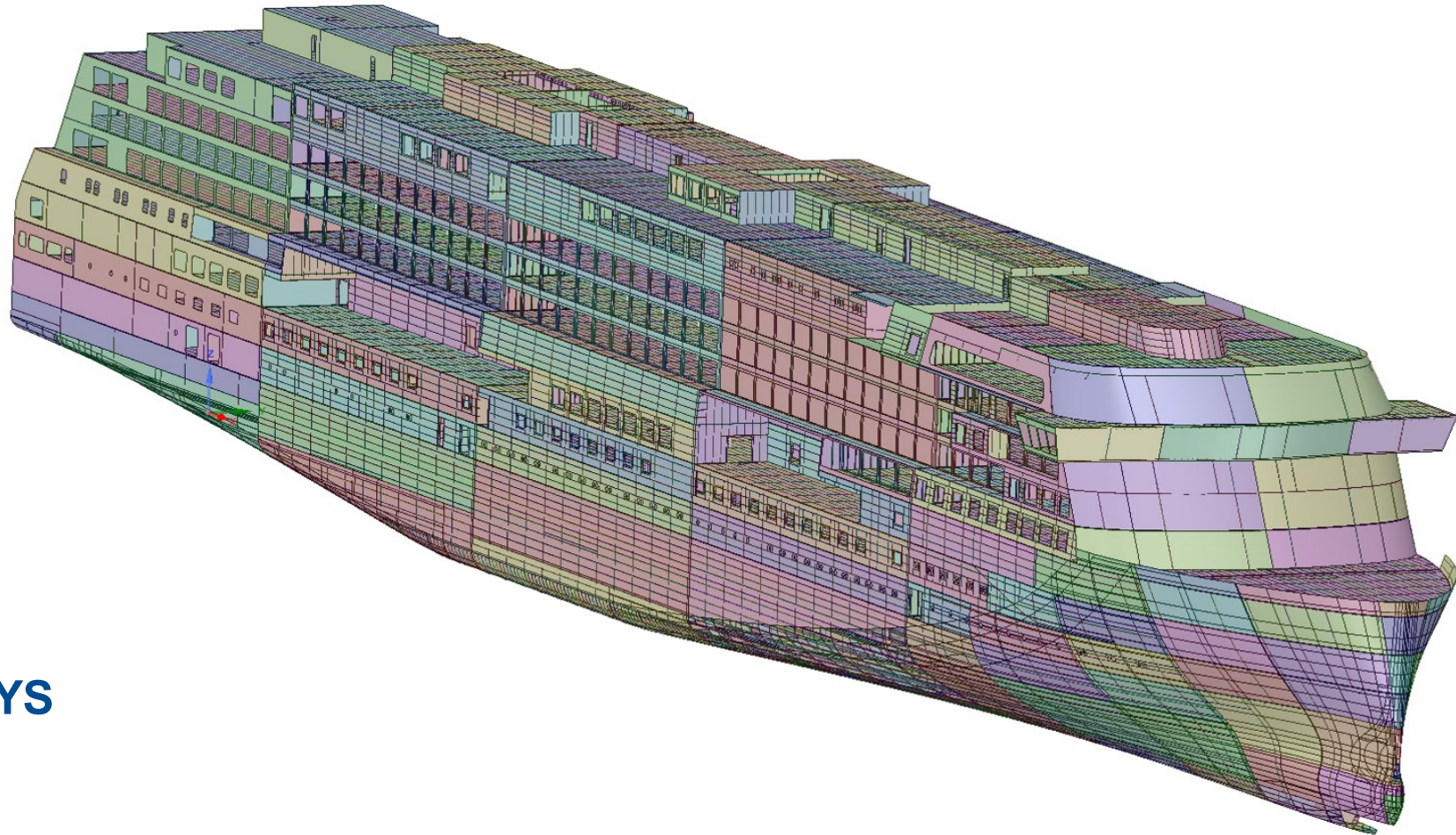
	Quasi-static	Quasi-dynamic
<i>Hydrodynamic loading</i>	Static (Point load)	Dynamic (Hydrodynamic pressure)
<i>Vessel in waves</i>	Rigid	Rigid
<i>Inertia effects</i>	×	✓
<i>Vibration effects</i>	×	×
<i>Structural analysis</i>	Static	Static

Modelling approach

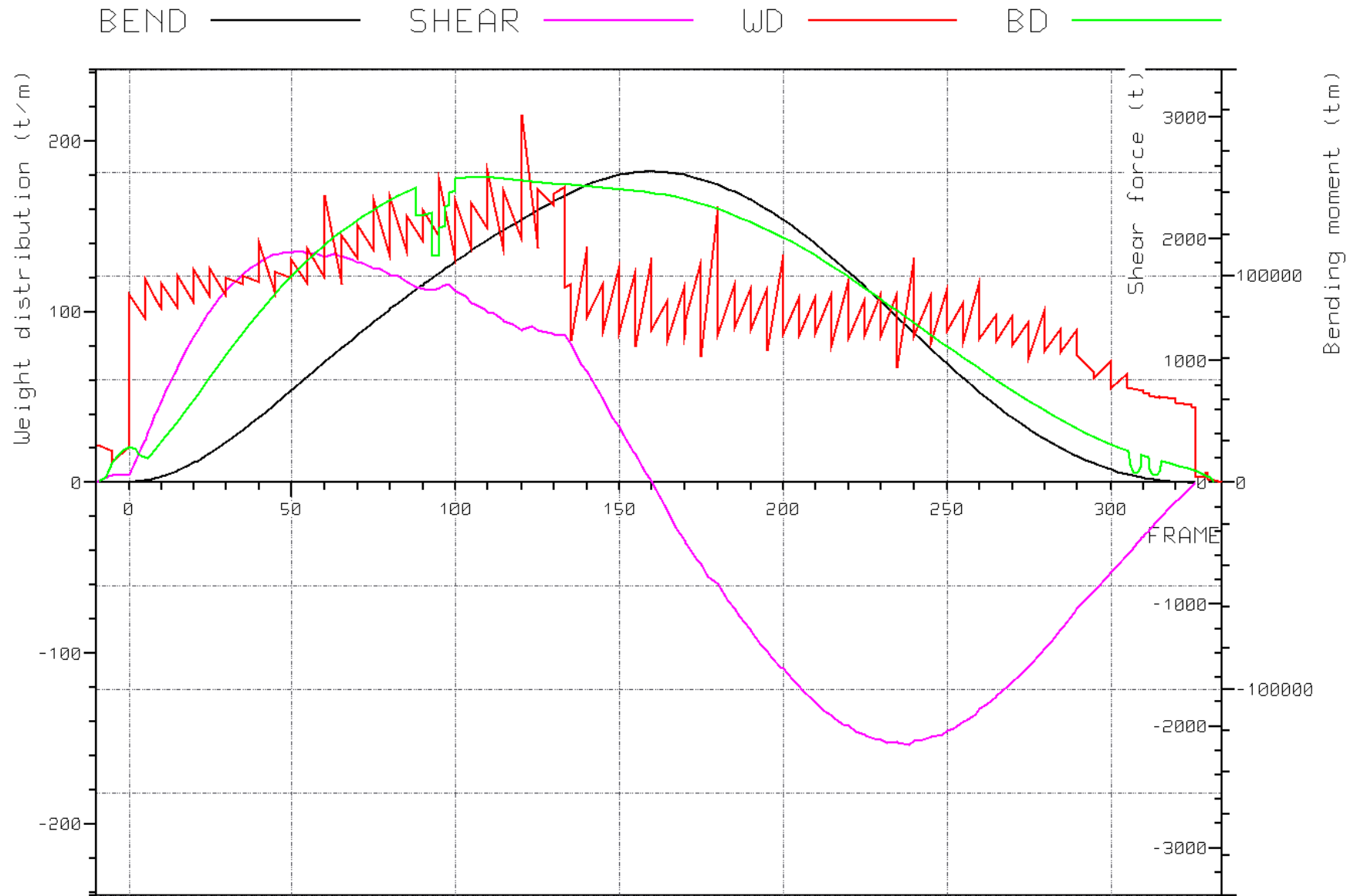


Case study vessel

- A cruise ship
- Main Dimensions
 - $L = 240$ m
 - $B = 30$ m
 - $T_{Design} = 7$ m
 - $\Delta = 32500$ t
- Model was initially made using CADMATIC hull
- Then transferred to ANSYS using .step
- Accuracy up to basic design



Still water condition



FE Modelling

Three finite element idealizations were used :

1. Beam elements 2 or 3 nodes with 6 DOF

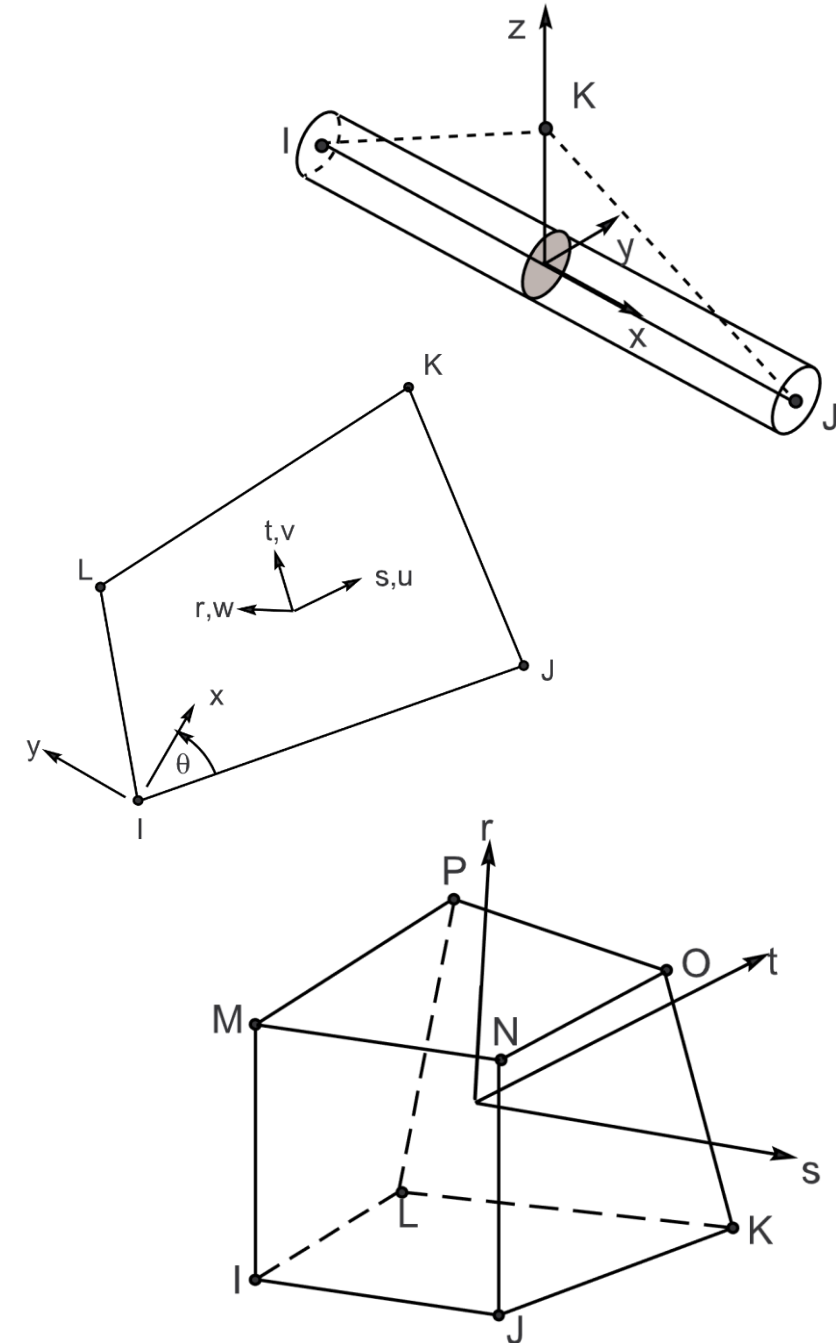
- Applicable for slender bodies

2. Shell element

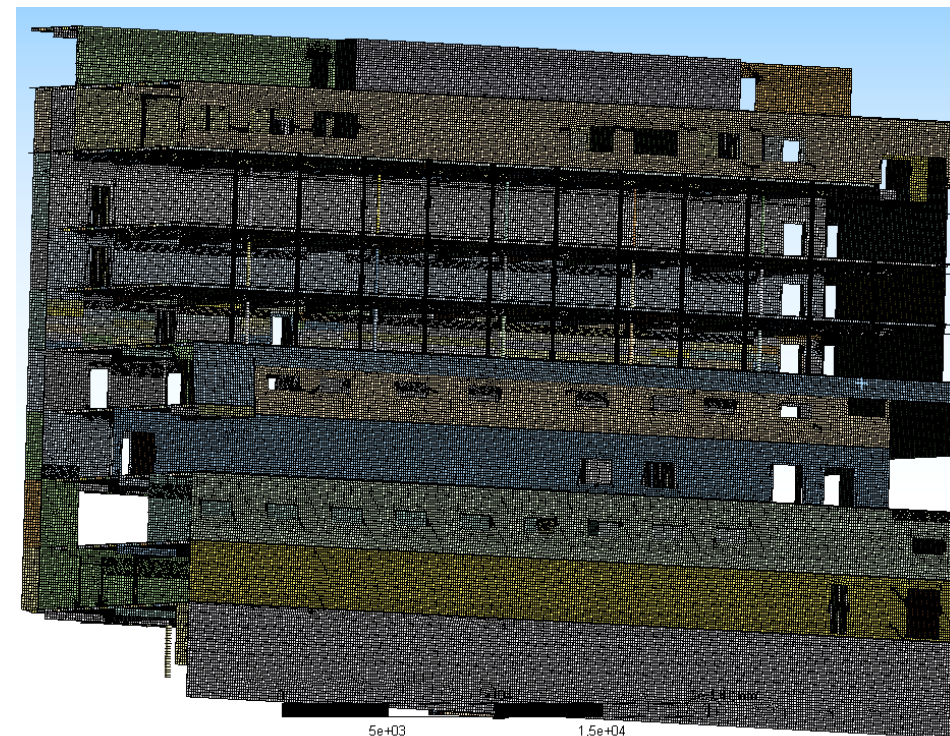
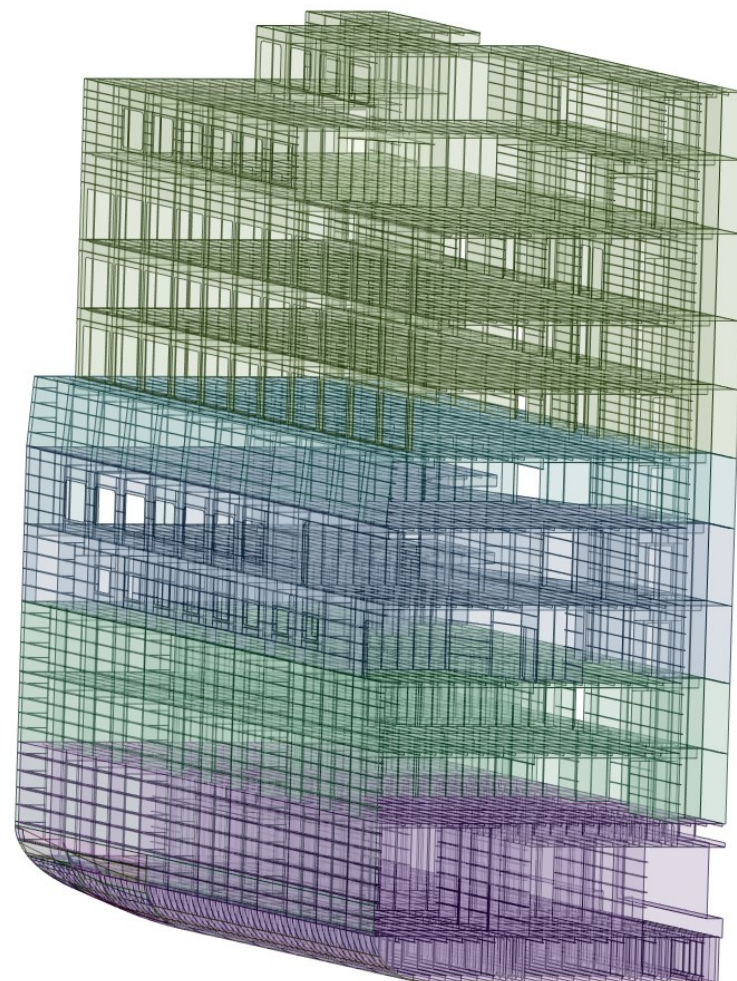
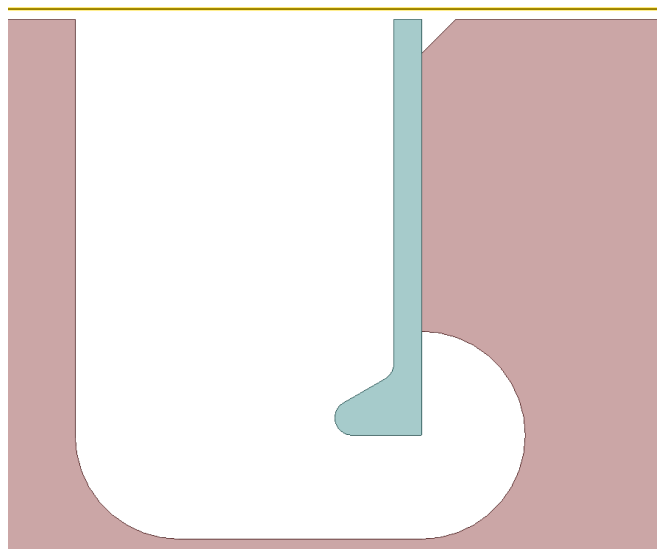
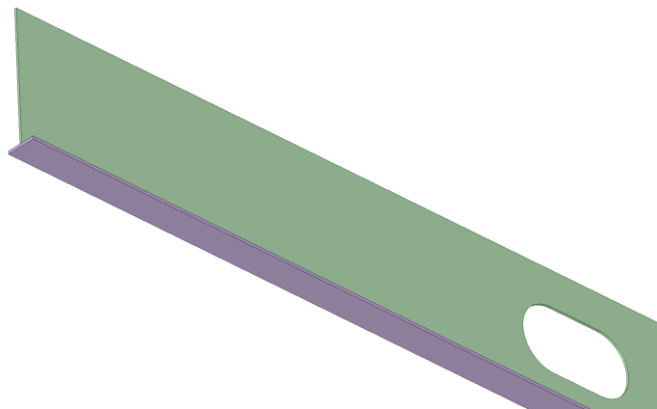
- At least 3 nodes with 6 DOF
- Used to model thin-walled bodies

3. Solid element

- At least 4 nodes with 6 DOF
- Used for complex geometry
- When other element types are not suitable



FEM model creation

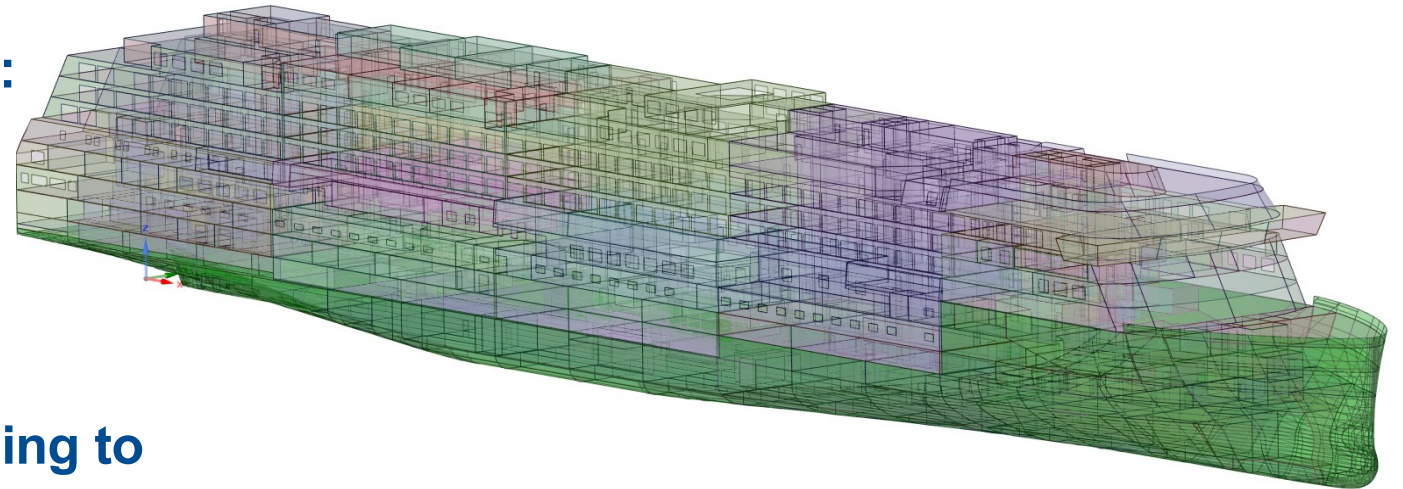


Modelling limitations & BC

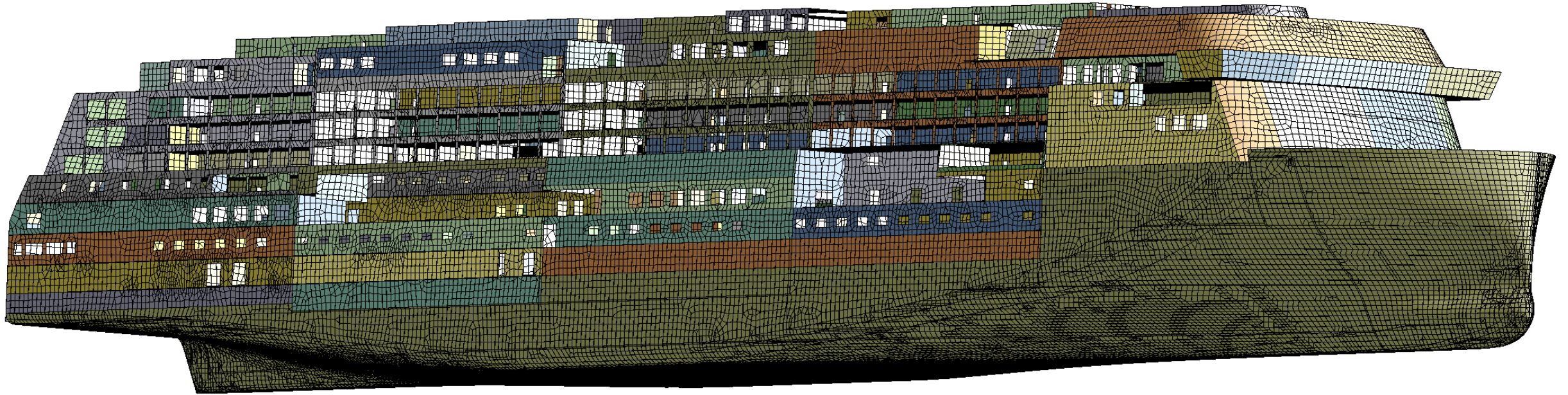
FEM model was heavily simplified:

- No stiffeners
- Only shell elements
- Equivalent plate method

Boundary Conditions (BC) according to DNVGL Classification Guideline 0127



FEM model



- Mesh size = 750 mm
- Nodes = 252 000
- Elements = 265 000

Hydrodynamic model

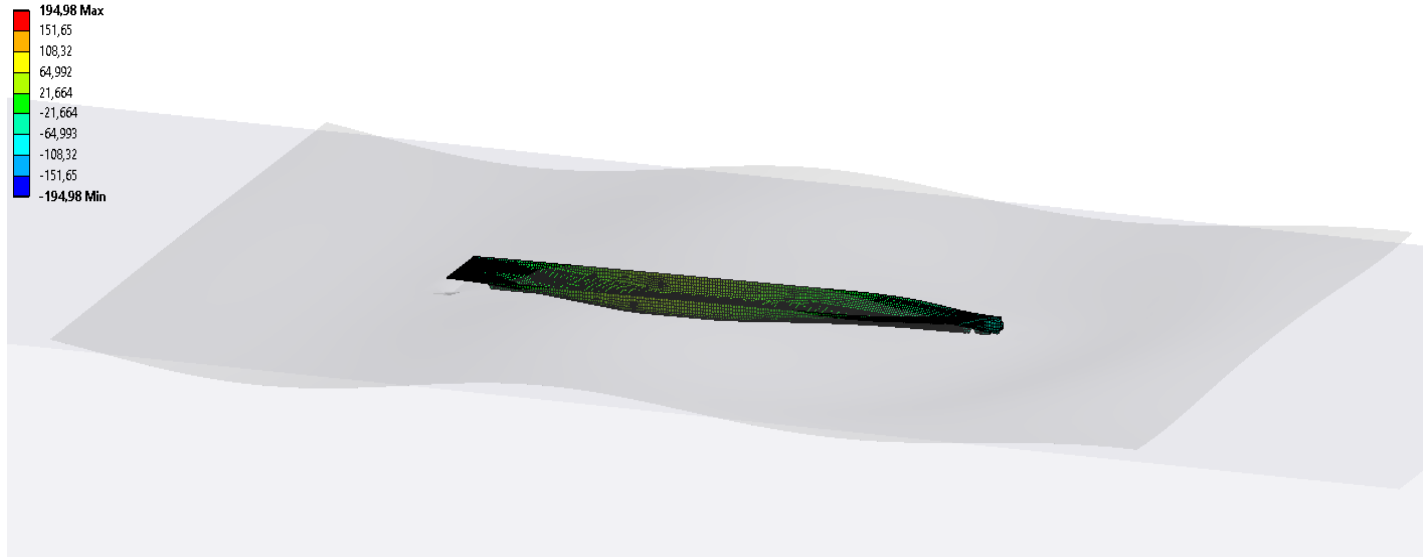
ANSYS AQWA:

- 3D panel method
- Simulation of wave diffraction and radiation forces
- Frequency domain with Green's function
- Regular wave analysis
- Both zero and forward speed

Hydrodynamic pressures mapped to the structural model

Pressures and Motions
Structures: Part, Contouring: Structure Interpolated Pressure as Force/Area in kN/m²
Freq: 0,0792 Hz, Dir: -180°
Wave Comp: IDRH, Amp: 6 m
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194,98 Max
151,65
108,32
64,992
21,664
-21,664
-64,993
-108,32
-151,65
-194,98 Min



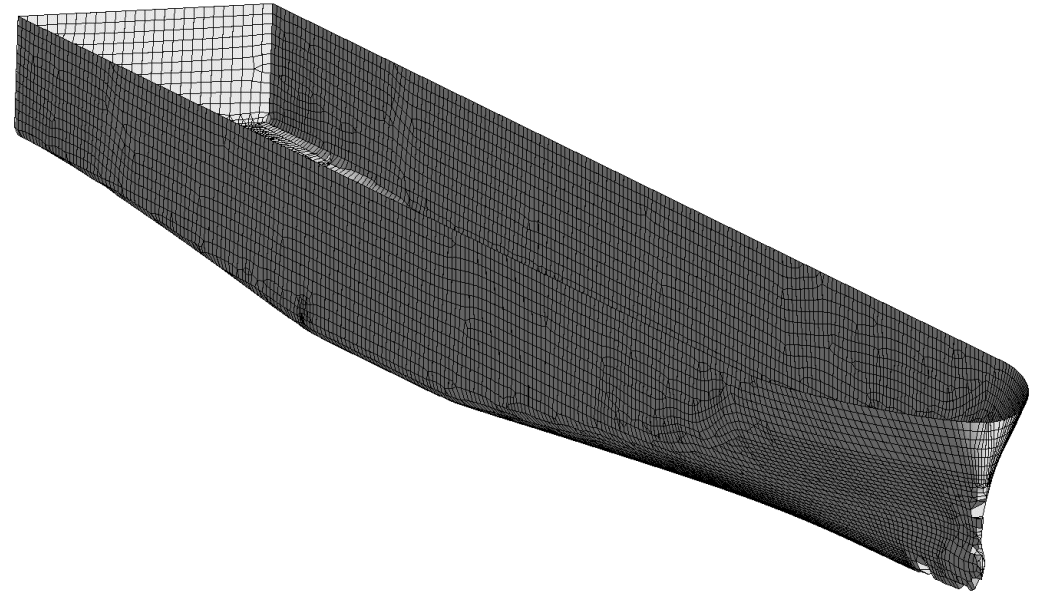
Ansys AQWA

Hydro model meshed with a coarse mesh

- Mesh size = 2 m
- COGz and moments of inertia as input
- Displacement and COG from hydrostatics

Hydrodynamic calculation carried out for:

- 0 and 15 kn forward speed
- -180° and -135 ° headings
- Wave frequencies from 0.015 Hz to 0.41 Hz
- Wave height 1 m and 6 m



Hydrodynamic pressure

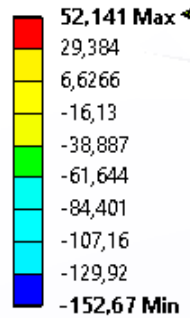
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Freq: 0,0792 Hz, Dir: -180°, t/T: 0.0

Wave Comp: IDRH, Amp: 6 m

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- Wave amplitude = 6 m
- Heading = 180°
- $\lambda = L_{OA}$
- $V = 15 \text{ kn}$
- Hogging

Hydrodynamic pressure

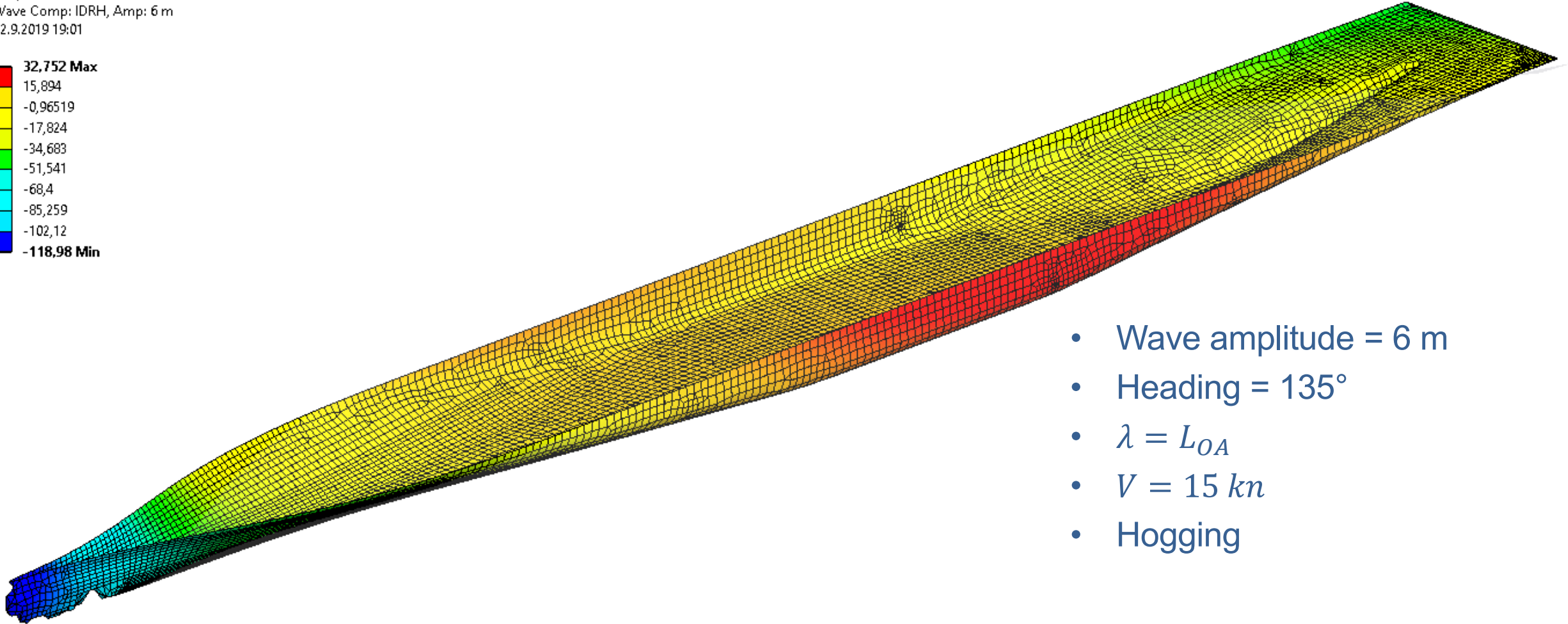
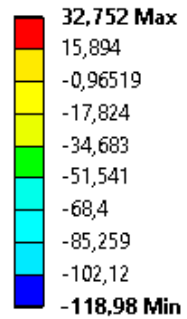
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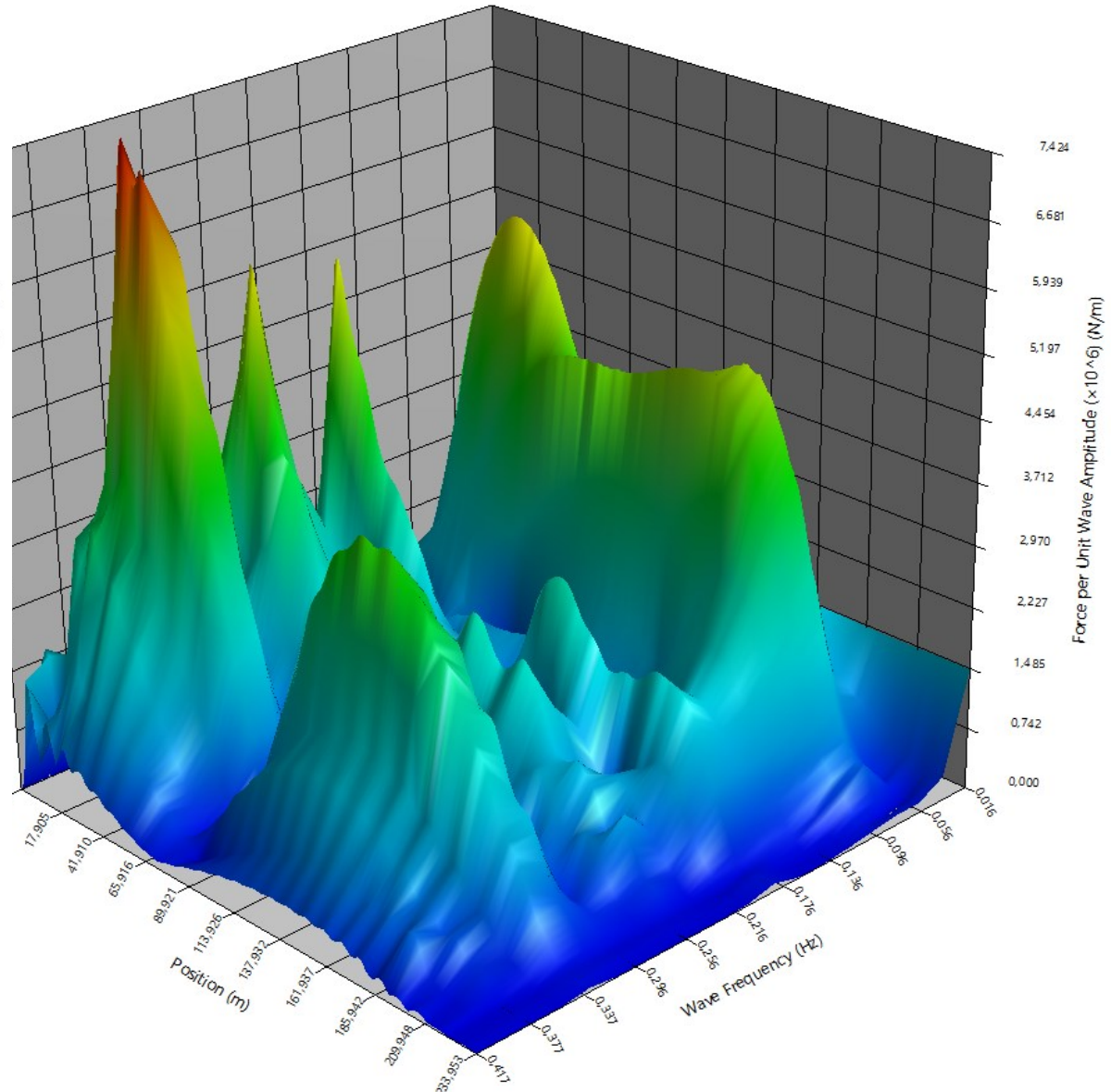
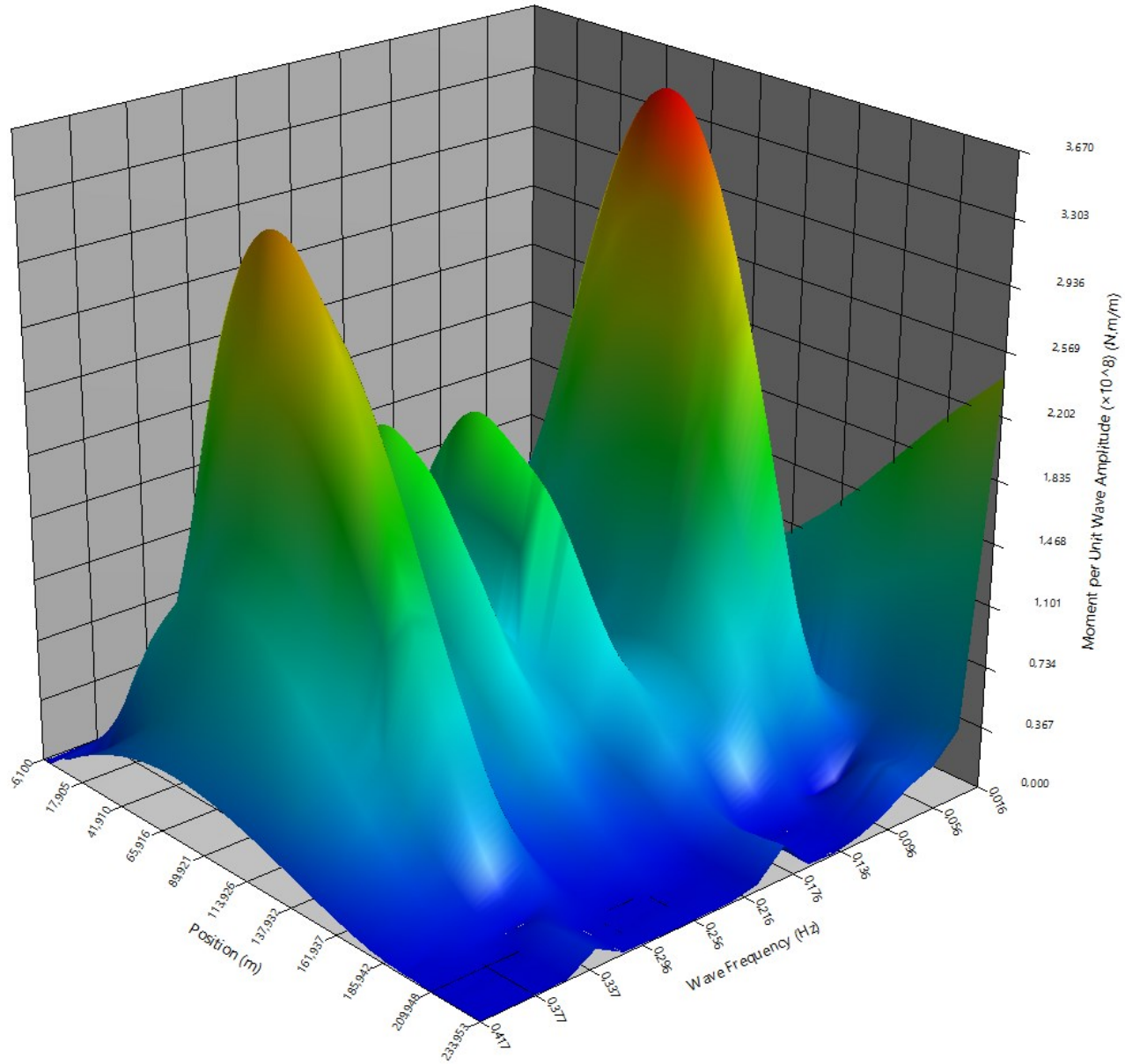
Wave Comp: IDRH, Amp: 6 m

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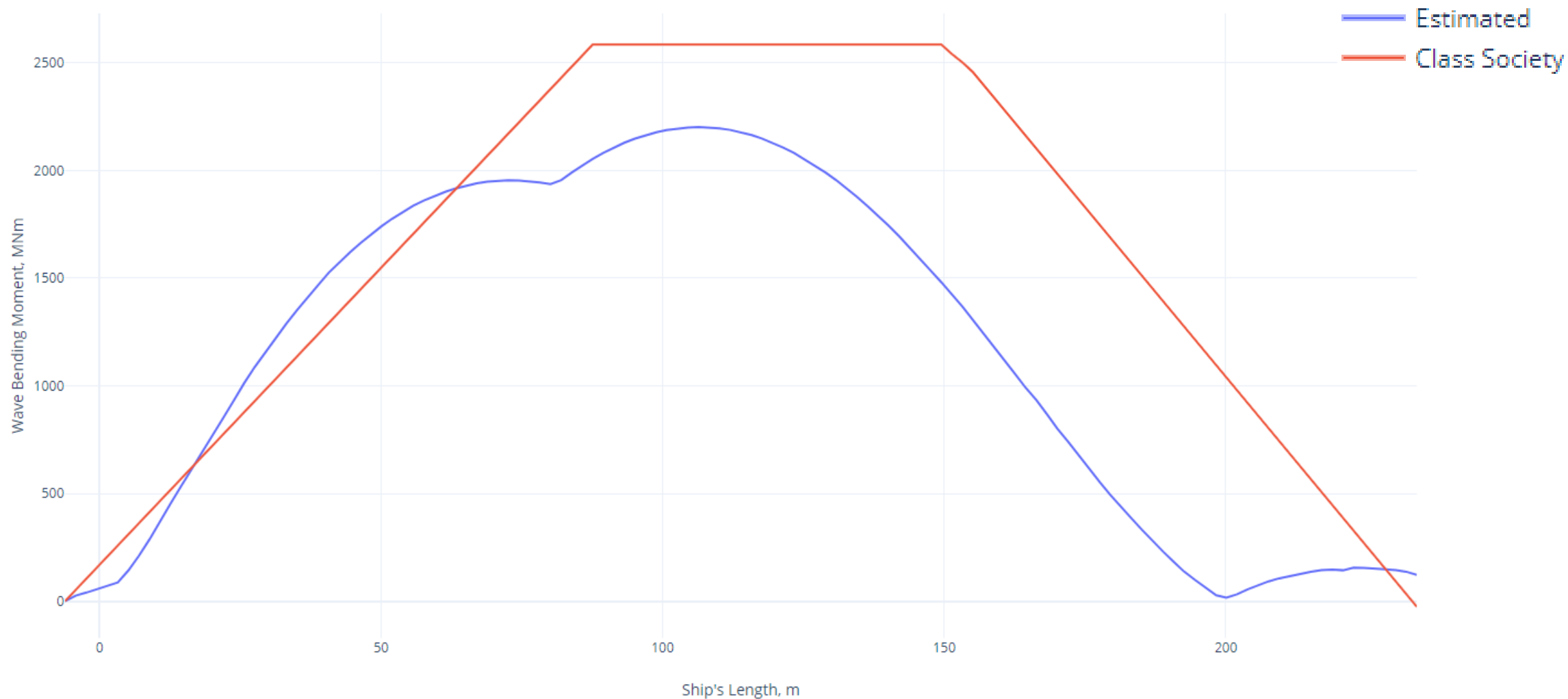
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- Hogging

Bending moment and shear force RAO

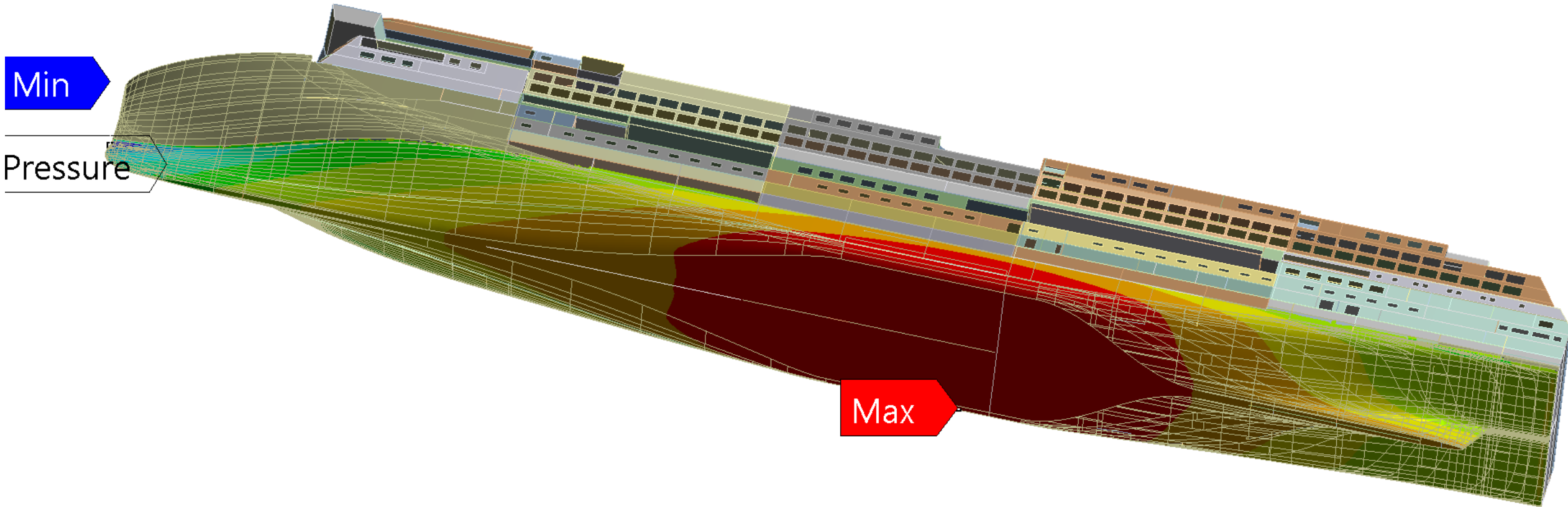


Wave bending moment

Wave Bending moment comparison

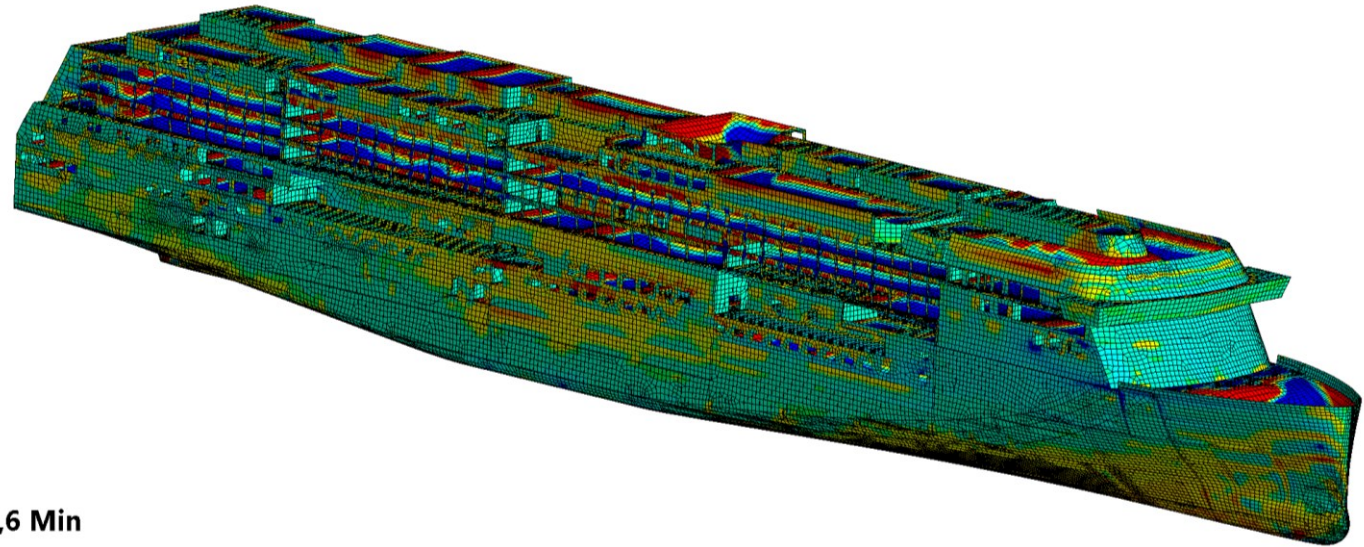
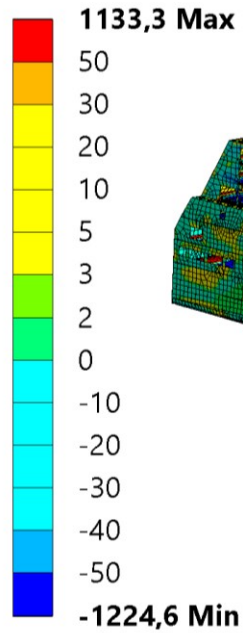


Mapped pressures



Stress results

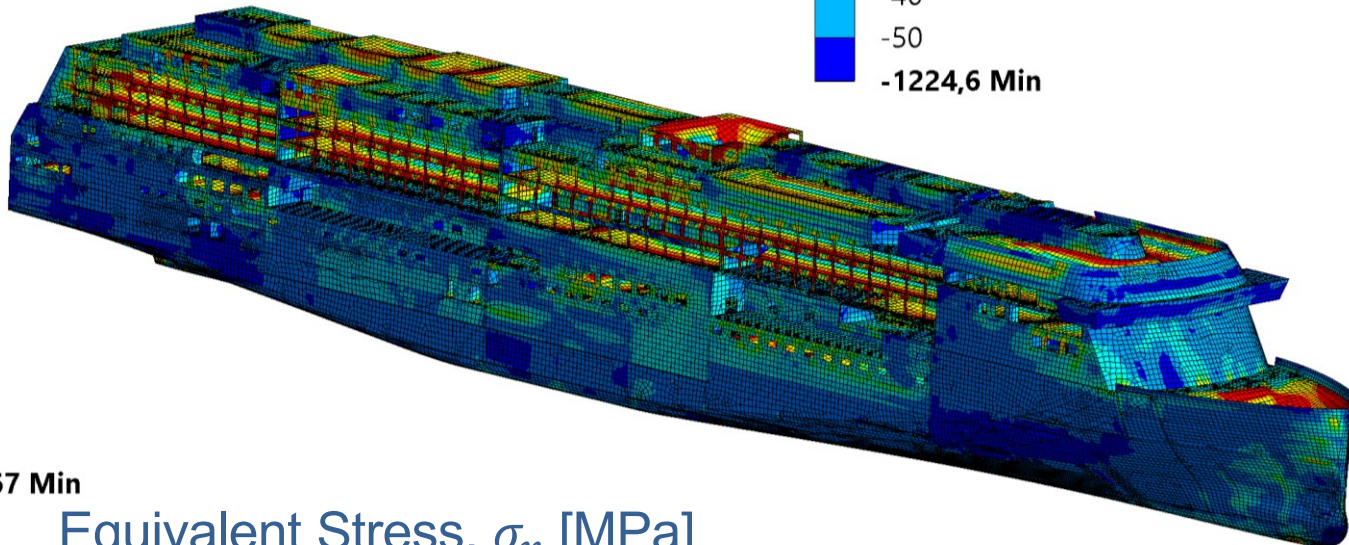
Normal Stress, σ_x [MPa]



1575,5 Max

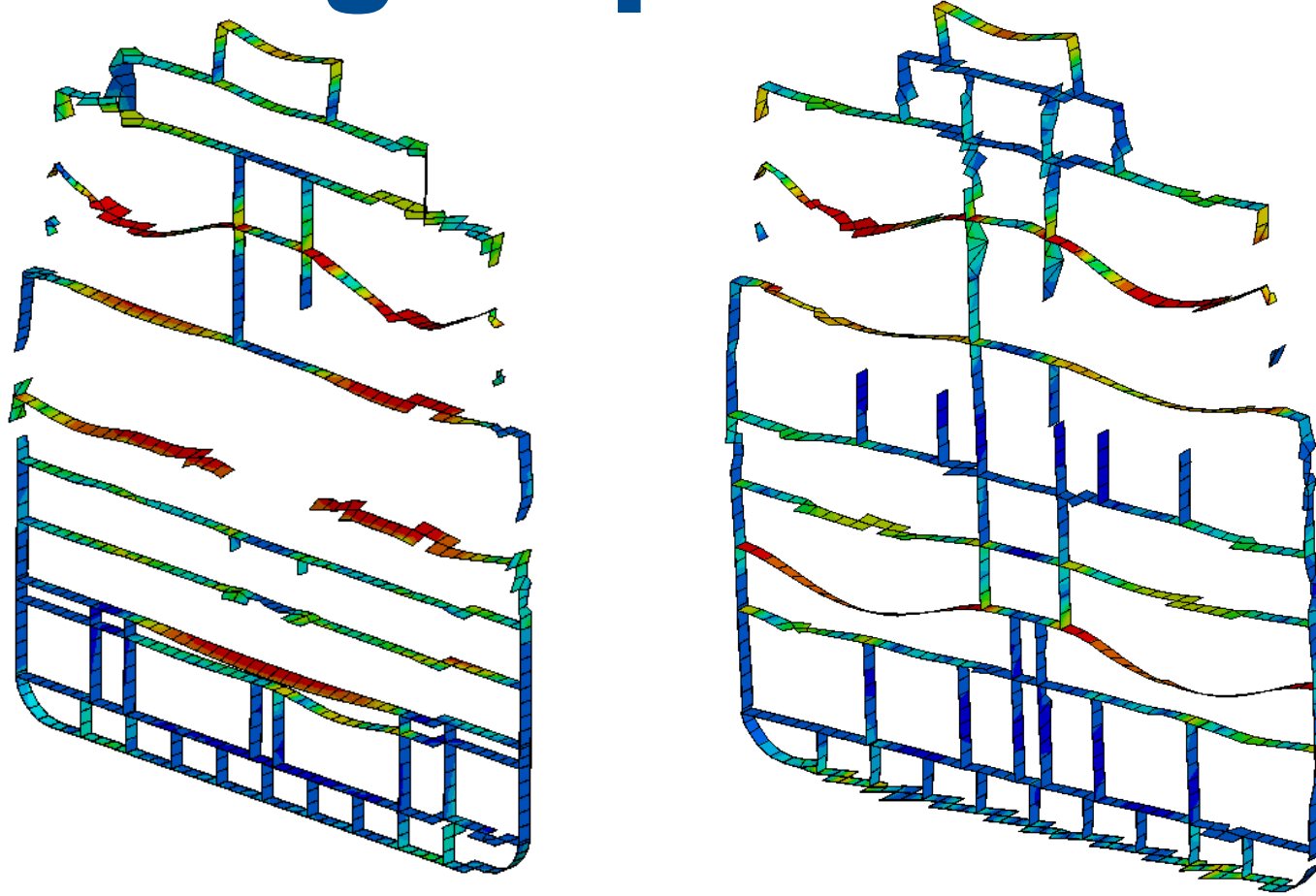
200
160
140
120
100
90
80
70
60
50
40
30
10

0,02767 Min



Equivalent Stress, σ_v [MPa]

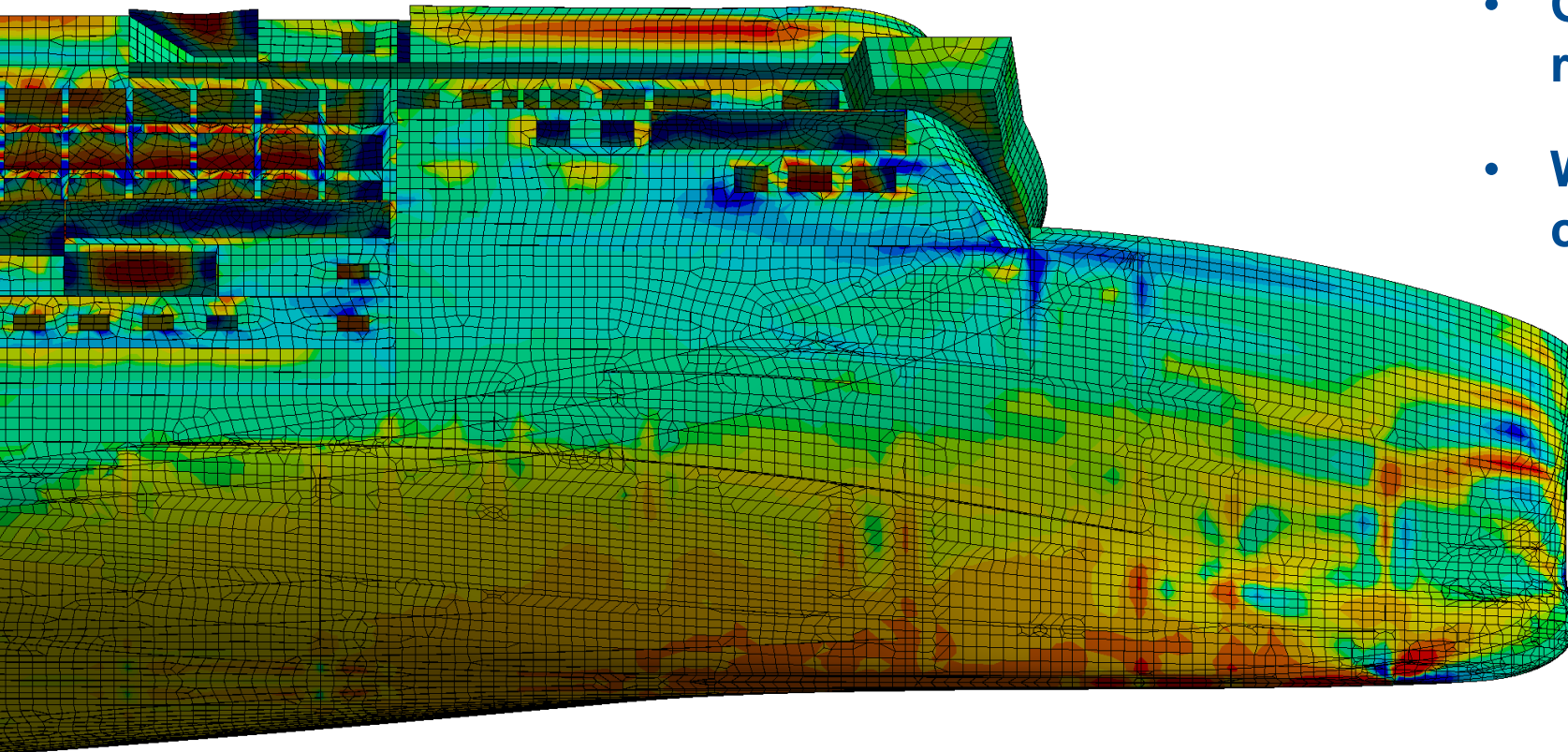
Average equivalent stress



	Frame #124	Frame #145	Frame #175	Whole model
σ_e , [MPa]	72.4	88.4	65.8	58.8

Conclusions

- As a result global strength analysis procedure was carried out
- Quasi-dynamic approach used in regular waves
- Wave bending moment results compared to class rules
 - Different outcomes using direct and class methods



Future development

- **Elaborate on the FEM model**
 - Fully involving equivalent plate method
 - Adding pillars
 - Adding weight elements and balancing models

Whole setup can later be used for fatigue or buckling estimation

