

AI-DRIVEN ENGINEERING FOR CLIMATE-RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE

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Climate Change

Strategy A:
Treating the Cause

Decarbonizing using Renewable
Energy Infrastructure

Strategy B:
Managing the Effect

Survival through Disaster-
Resilient Engineering

The Accelerator: Artificial Intelligence

To effectively combat climate change; we cannot choose between prevention and protection.
WE MUST DO BOTH SIMULTANEOUSLY!

Strategy A: Treating the Cause Renewable Energy Infrastructure



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OFFSHORE WIND POTENTIAL ZONES

India has huge potential to generate the offshore renewable energy

- Considering the vast coastal length (~11000 Km)
- Exclusive Economic Zone of up to 370 km extending to the sea

Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE), GoI

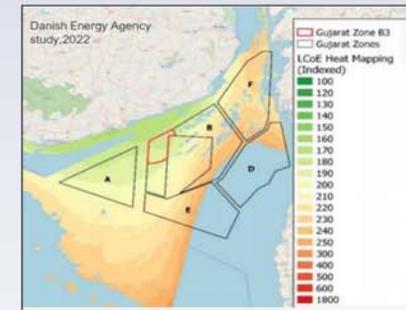
- FOWIND in 2013; National Offshore Wind Energy Policy in 2015; FOWPI in 2017
- First offshore wind project of 1 GW power near the Gulf of Khambhat (2019) - 34 companies provided EOI

Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES), GoI

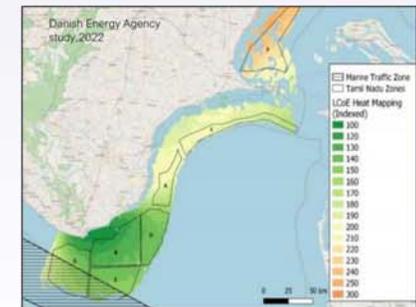
- Deep Ocean Mission



Gujarat



Tamil Nadu



Offshore Wind Potential Zones from 2022 studies by CoE for Offshore Wind & Renewable Energy

FLOATING OFFSHORE WIND TURBINES

Uncoupled



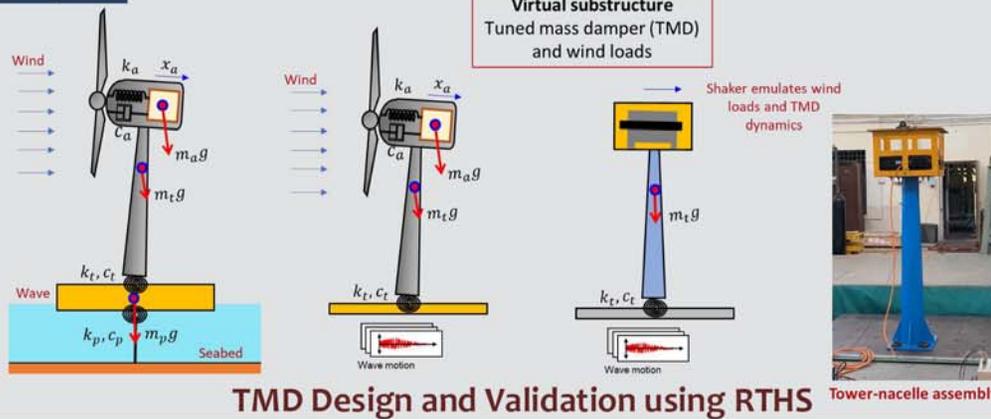
Free-Decay of the Floating Platform



Wind Loads on Turbine

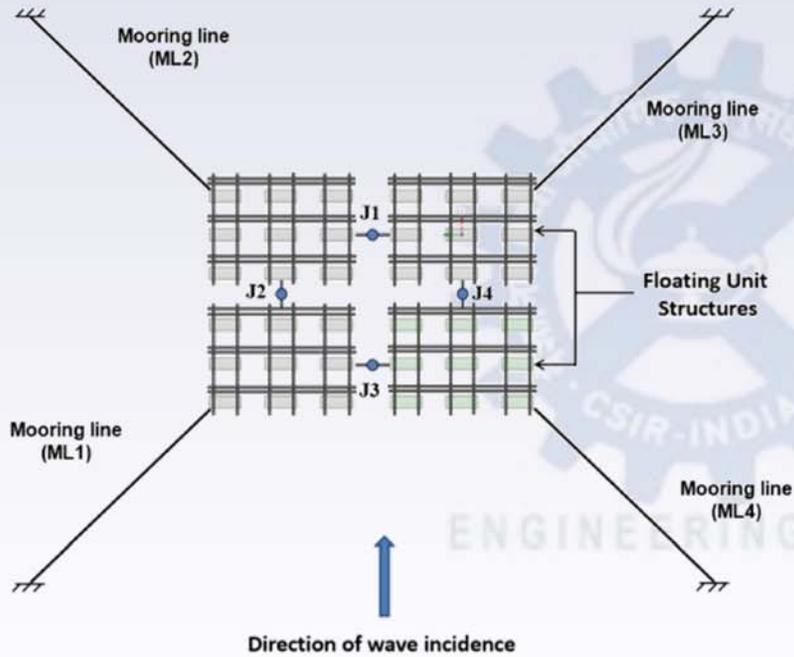


Coupled

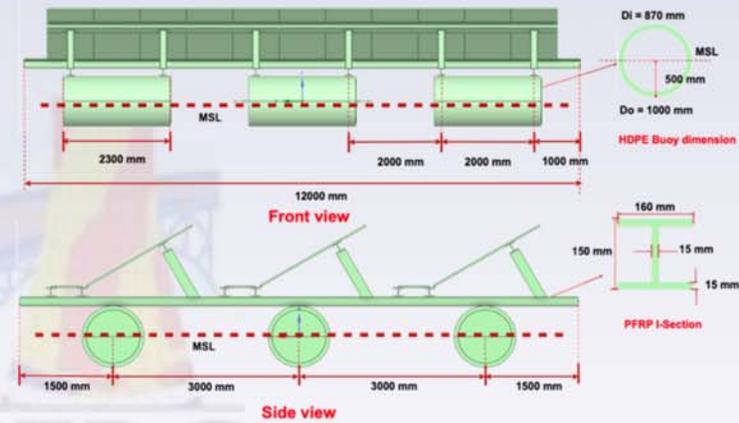
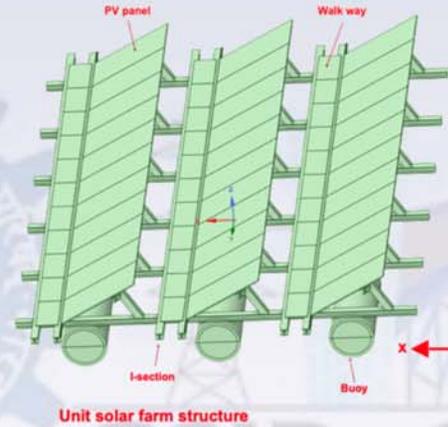


- Fully-coupled analysis
- Digital twin for monitoring and predictive maintenance
- Mooring failure analysis
- Fatigue crack growth studies
- High-capacity wind turbines
- Hybrid mooring system

FLOATING OFFSHORE SOLAR FARM



Design of Unit Floating Solar Farm Structure (10 kW unit structure)



- Hydrostatic and hydrodynamic analyses on a pontoon-type FOSF unit
- Wave-structure interaction simulations
- Analysis for regular and irregular wave conditions
- Performance with catenary mooring system

FLOATING OFFSHORE HYBRID ENERGY PLATFORM

Non-compliant configurations:

Withstand external forces without significant movement

- Challenges of transportation
- Complex assembly
- Higher structural stresses

Compliant configurations:

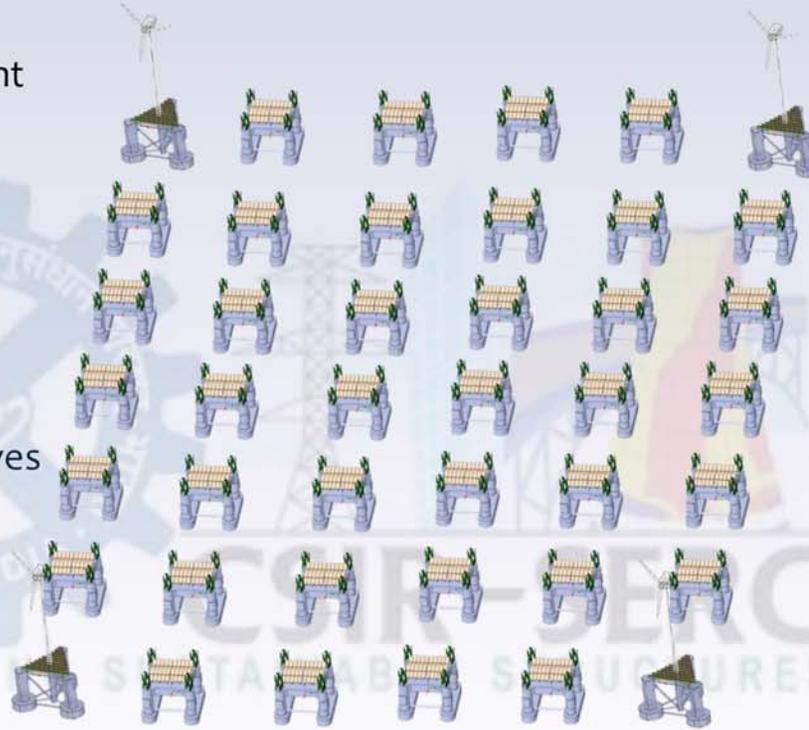
Flexible and designed to move with the waves and wind

- Durability concerns

Partially-compliant configurations:

Balance compliance and rigidity

- Resilience to Extreme Conditions
- Reduced Stresses
- Versatility and Scalability



Floating Offshore Hybrid Wind and Solar Farm



4-Column Configuration



3-Column Configuration



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FLOATING OFFSHORE HYBRID ENERGY PLATFORM



Wind tunnel testing:

Scaled model of 5MW wind turbine with geometric scale ratio of 1:200 (Reynold's scaling)

- Rotor Response for various Wind Speeds

Wave flume testing:

Scaled model of 5MW wind turbine with geometric scale ratio of 1:67 (Froude's scaling)

- Platform response for different wave conditions
- Simulated for 150m water depth



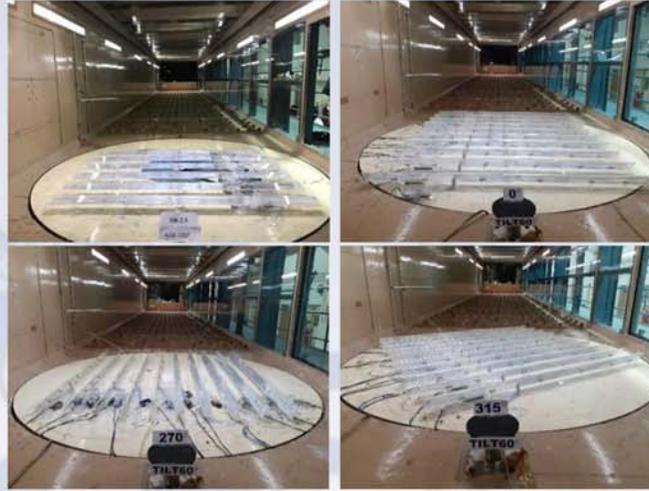
ONSHORE GROUND MOUNTED SOLAR



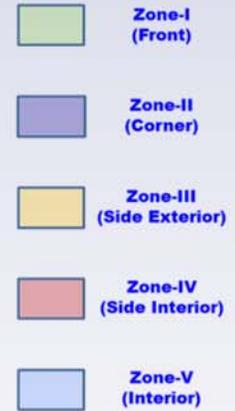
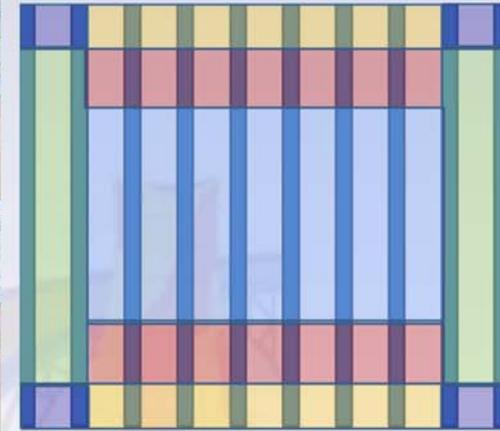
Solar Farm



Vulnerability to Wind
Induced Damage



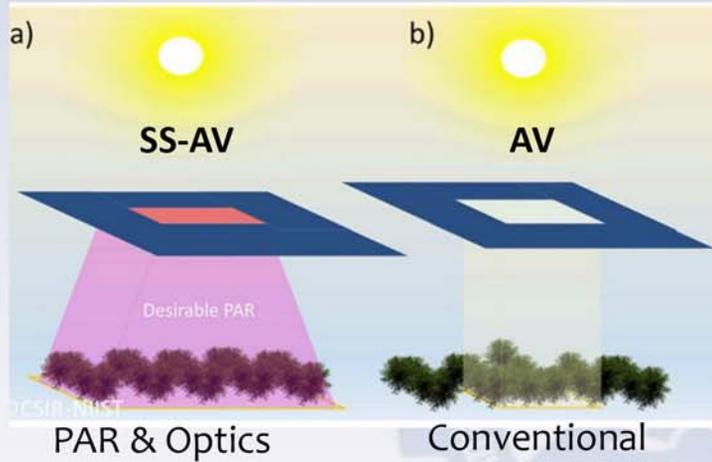
Models of Solar Arrays in Wind Tunnel



Design Guidelines

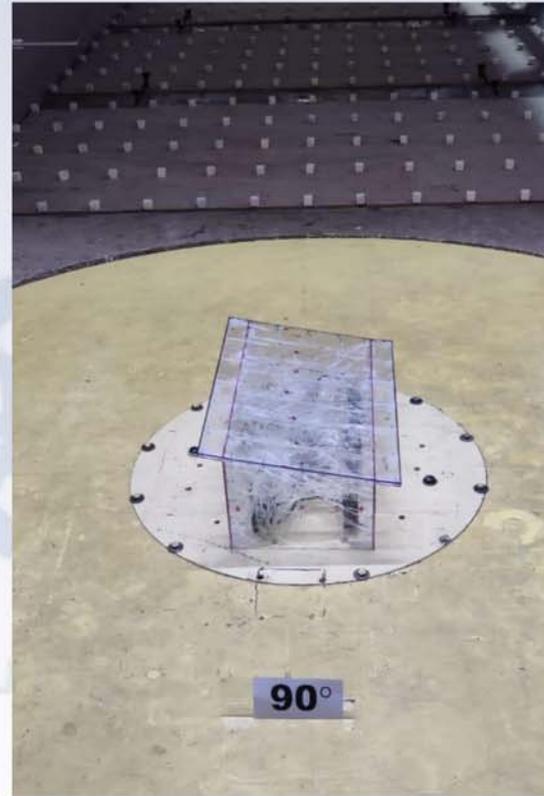
- Wind tunnel investigations on models of ground mounted solar PV arrays to evaluate wind force coefficients
- CFD simulations with the wind tunnel investigation
- Design guidelines for wind loads on ground mounted solar PV arrays
- Optimum design of support systems for selected solar PV array configurations

AGRIVOLTAICS: ONSHORE SOLAR GREEN HOUSE



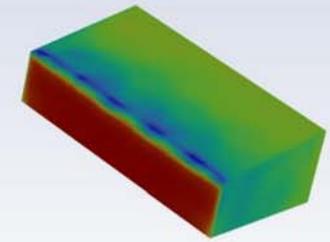
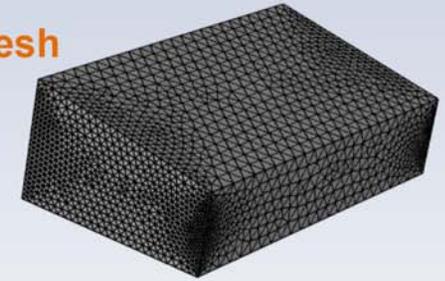
Spectral Converting Diverging Optics Integrated Solar Sharing Agrivoltaics Technology

- Wind tunnel and CFD investigations on Agrivoltaics
- Analysis and design of the 3-D frame work including members, joints and foundations of the structural system



Wind Tunnel Investigations

Mesh



CFD Simulations on Low-rise Unit with Mono-Slope Roof

EXPERIMENTAL TESTING METHODS

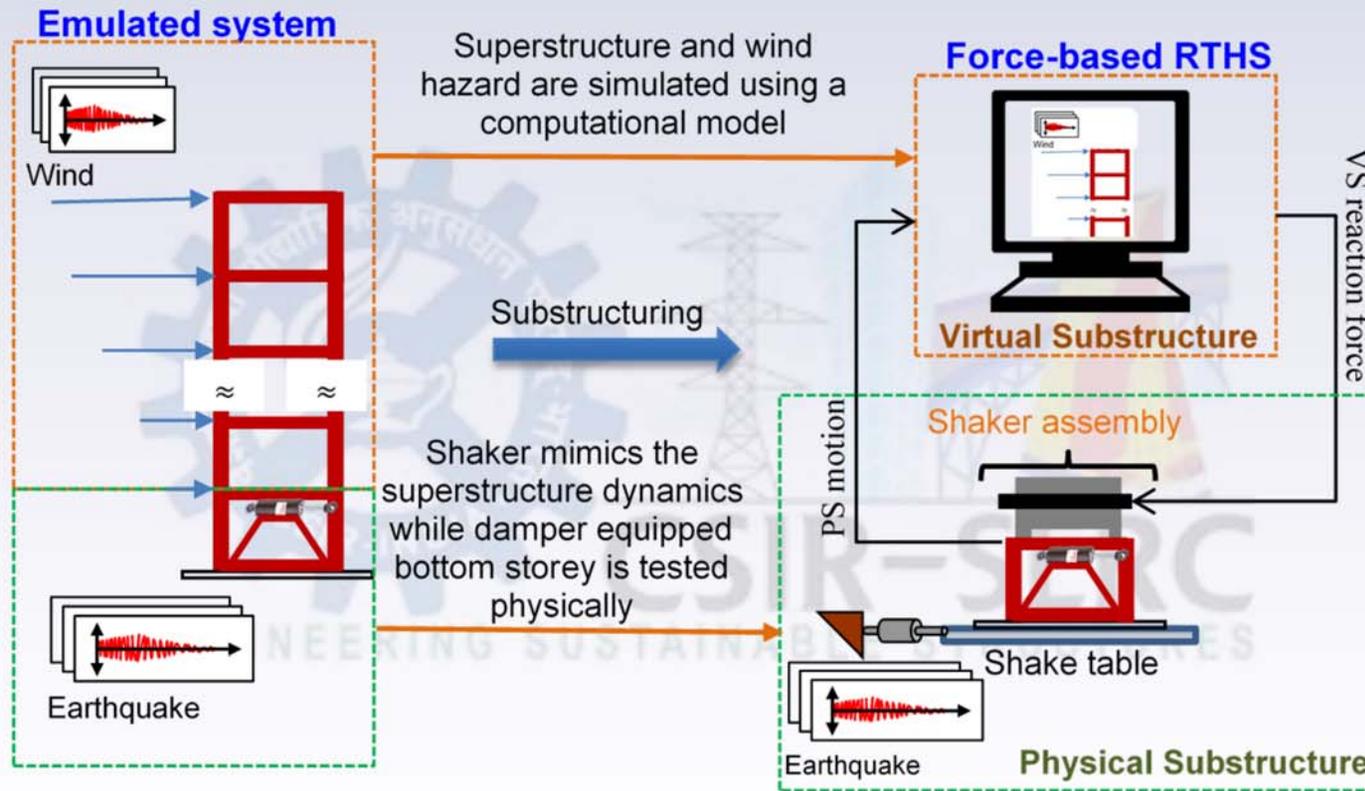


Shake table for simulating earthquake hazard



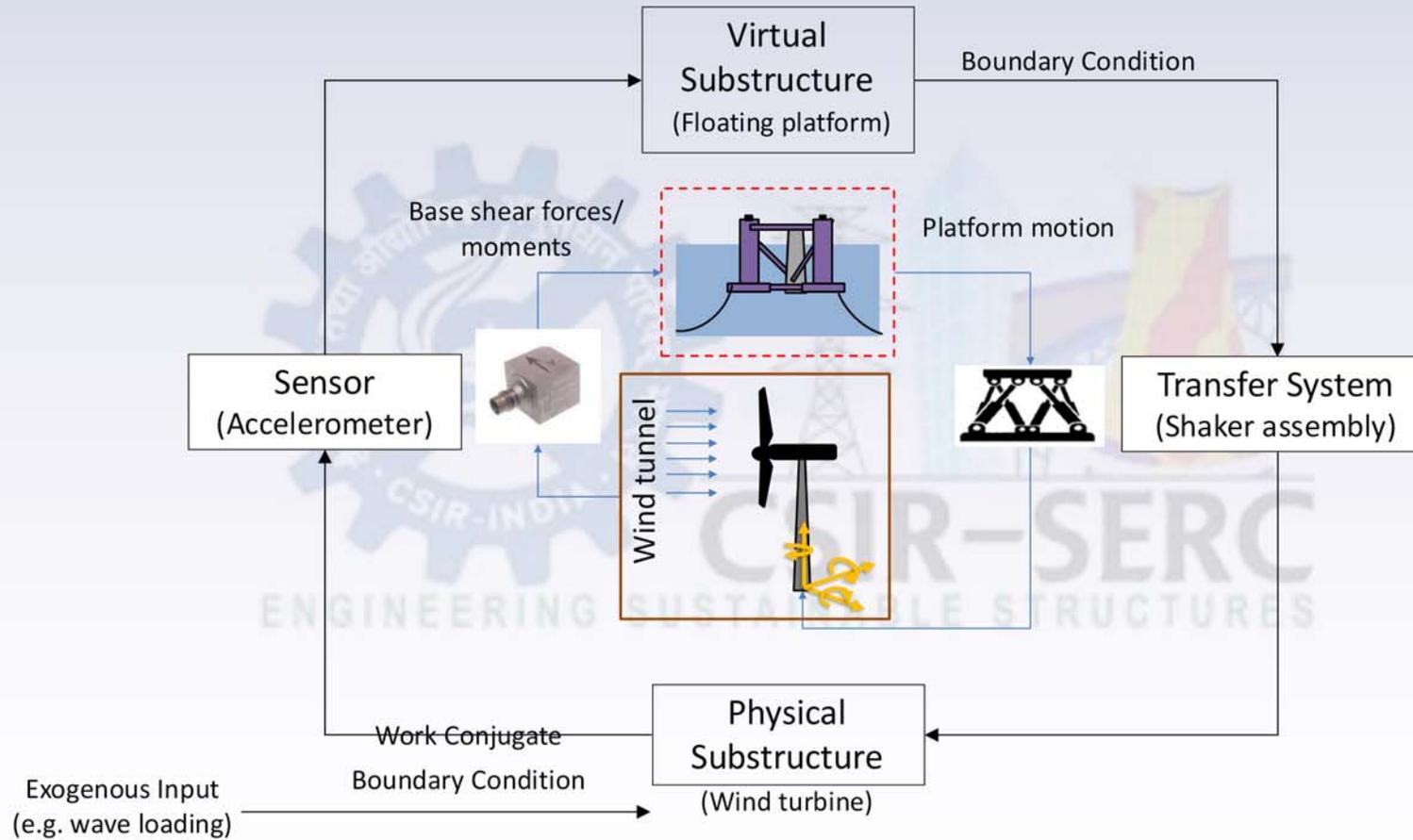
Wind tunnel for simulating wind hazard

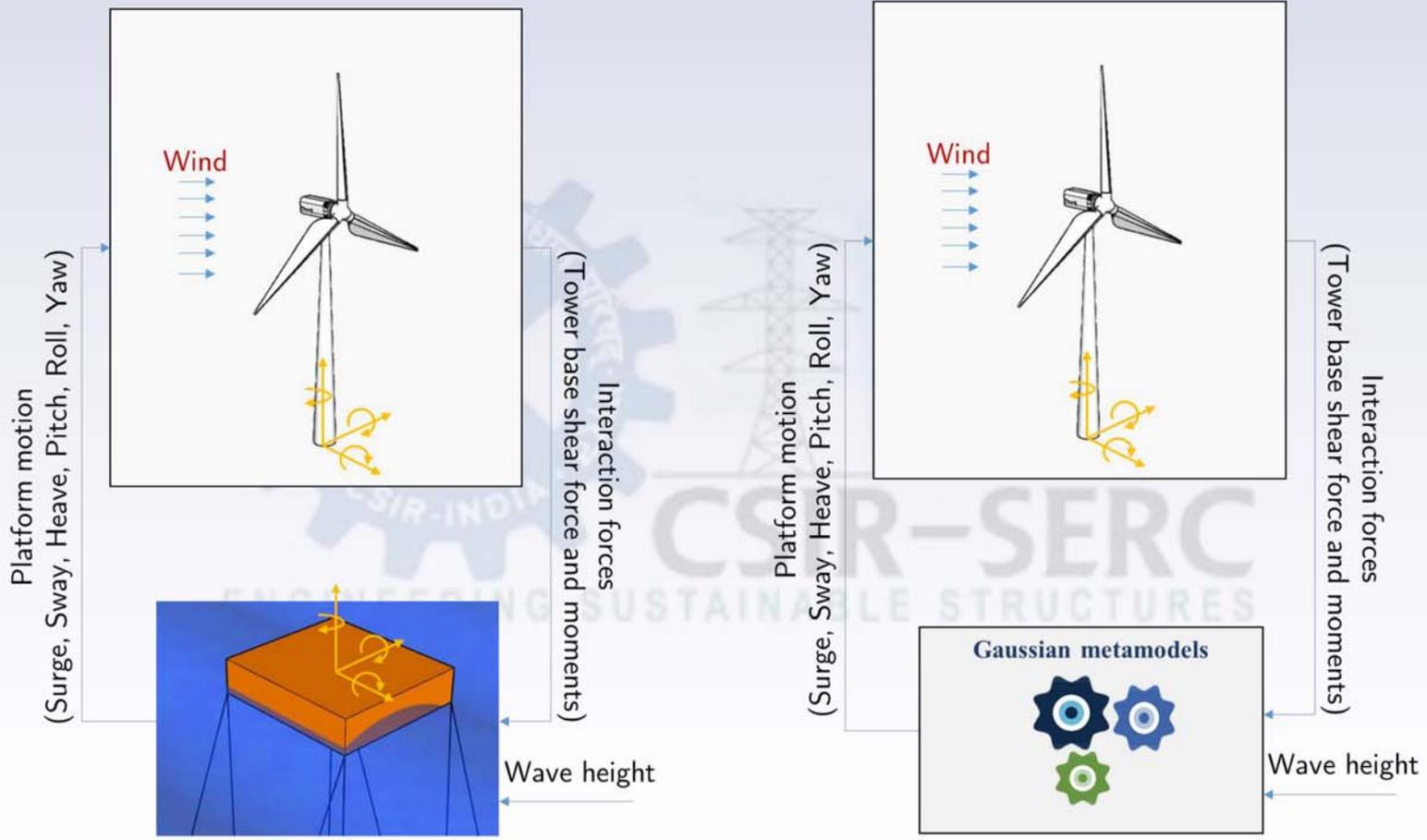
MULTI-HAZARD REAL-TIME HYBRID TESTING



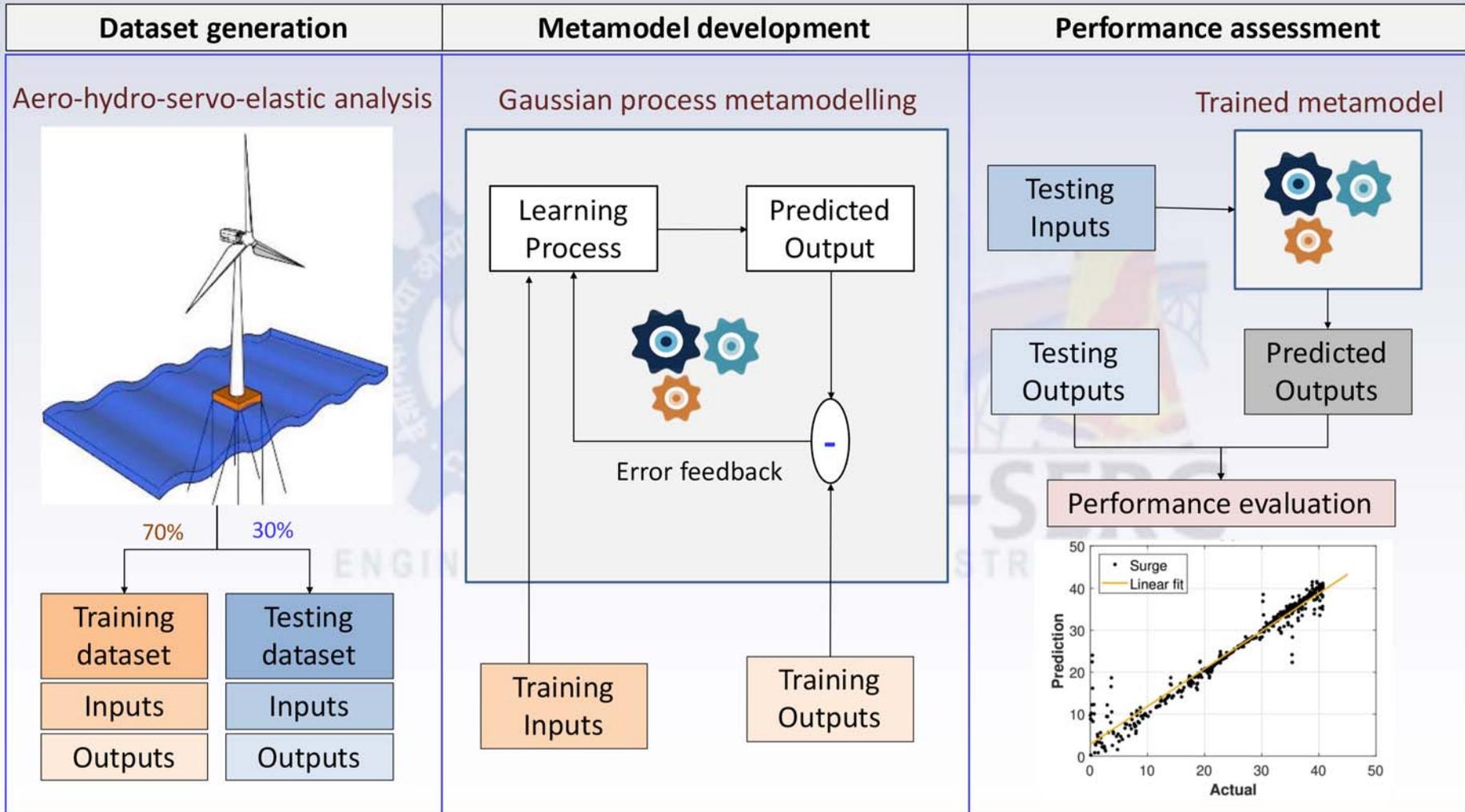
Multi-hazard RTHS

RTHS FOR FLOATING OFFSHORE WIND TURBINES





AI-BASED METAMODEL FOR FLOATING PLATFORM



Strategy B: Managing the Effect Disaster-Resilient Engineering

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EMERGENCY RETRIEVAL SYSTEM

How the solution will facilitate in achieving the objectives

- Use of ERS will enhance performance of power distribution and supply by minimizing the power transmission interruption duration.
- ERS technologies available across the globe are very expensive.
- CSIR-SERC has developed an indigenous technology to produce cost-effective ERS is suitable for 33 to 800 kV transmission lines.
- The cost of indigenous ERS is about 40% compared to the imported ERS system.

Technology Readiness level/transfer status :

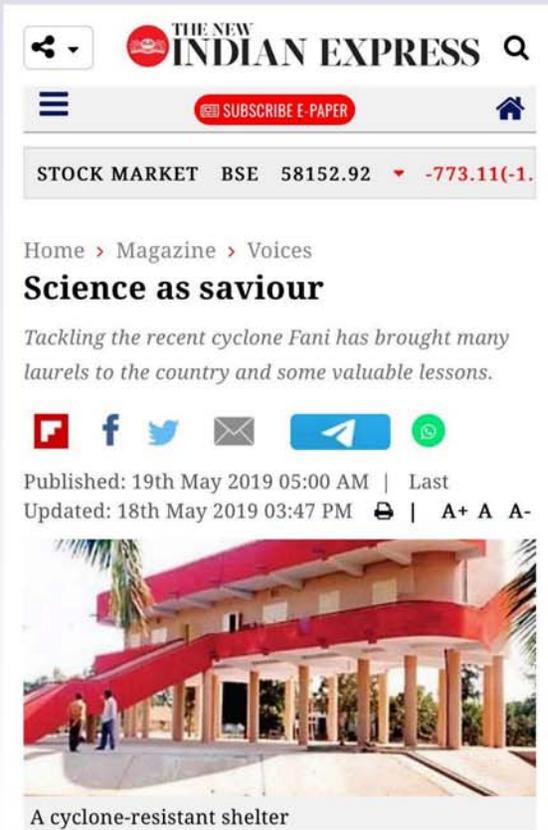
TRL 8, Patents filled – 4 Nos. in India, USA and Canada

Tech. transferred on non-exclusive basis to –

- M/s Advait Infratech Ltd., Ahmedabad
- M/s Hi-Tech Systems & Services Ltd., Kolkata &
- M/s IAC Electricals Pvt. Ltd., Kolkata



ENGINEERING RESILIENCE AGAINST CYCLONES



THE NEW INDIAN EXPRESS

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Science as saviour

Tackling the recent cyclone Fani has brought many laurels to the country and some valuable lessons.

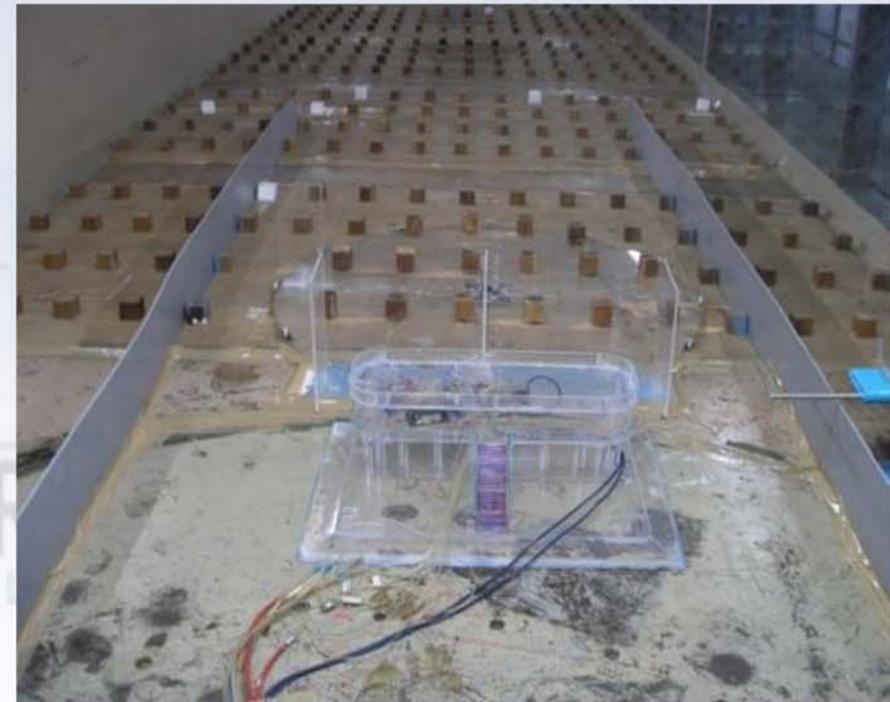
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A cyclone-resistant shelter

Cyclone Shelters

- ❖ Shelter to more than 2 lakh people in 75 cyclone shelters
(<http://www.indianredcross.org/press-rel12-nov2013-2.htm>)
- ❖ Withstood cyclones Phailin (2013), Hudhud (2014), Fani (2019), ...



Wind tunnel investigations on cyclone shelter

EFFECT OF WIND ON TALL BUILDINGS

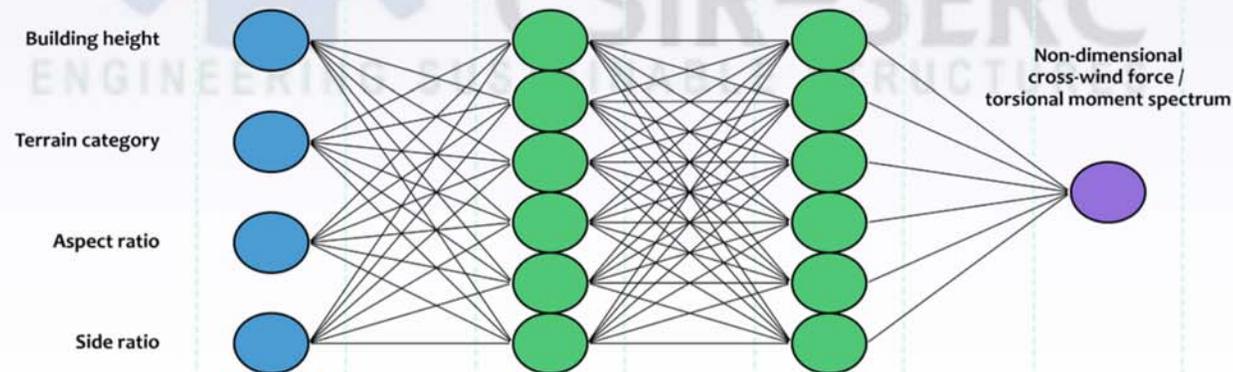
Wind hazard

National/international status : Empirical expressions for cross wind and torsional spectra applicable certain range / values of aspect ratio

Gap/need :

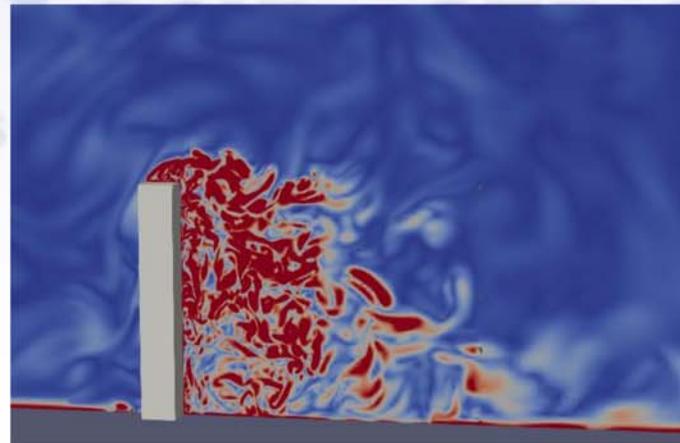
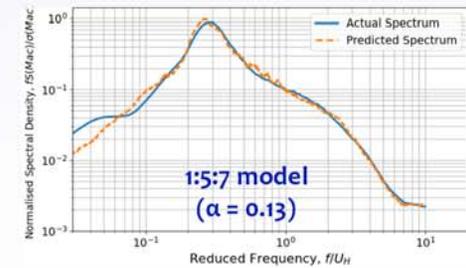
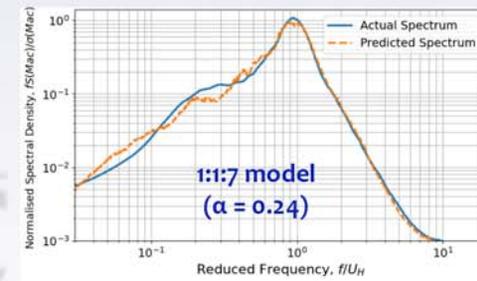
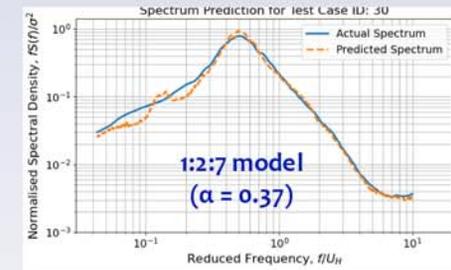
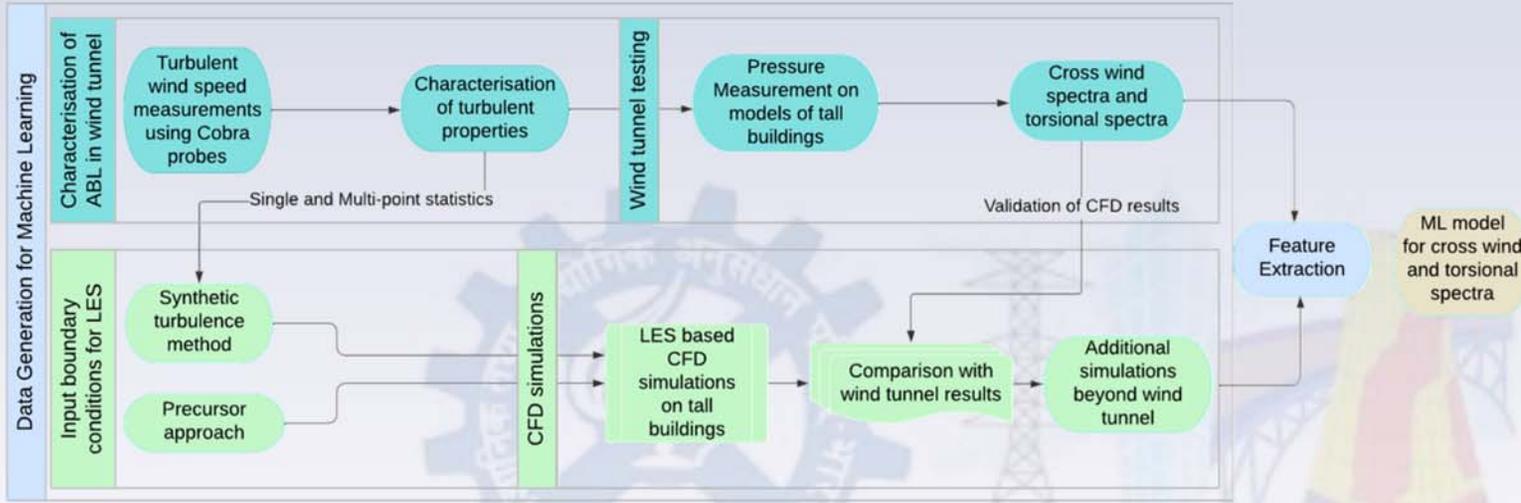
- Existing DAD accepts discrete and limited inputs - aspect ratio, side ratio and terrain category
- Solution: Data driven ML based design**

Impact after successful completion - Ensure safety of tall buildings against wind hazards



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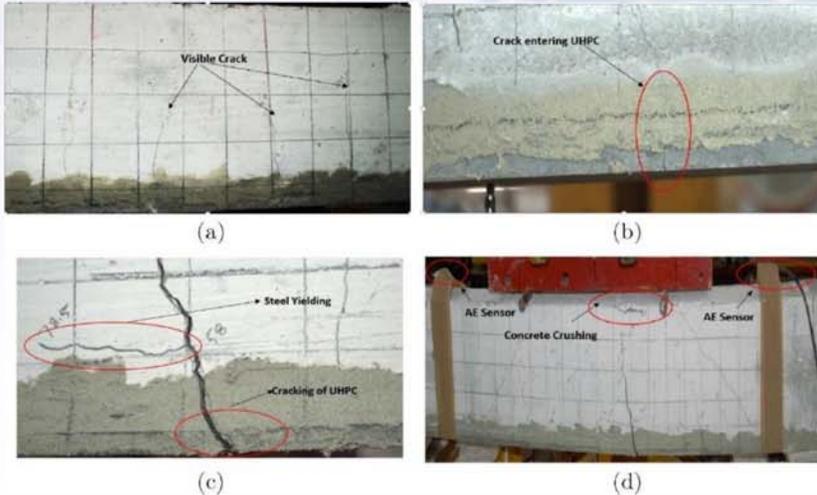
AI-DRIVEN MODEL FOR CROSSWIND AND TORSIONAL SPECTRA



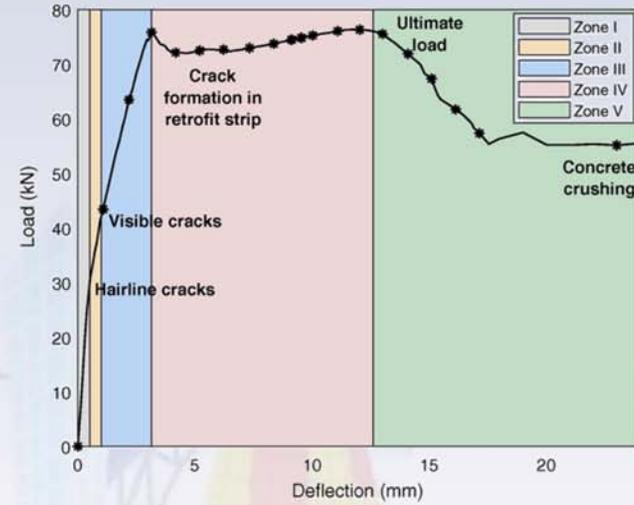
AI-BASED SHM OF RCC STRUCTURES



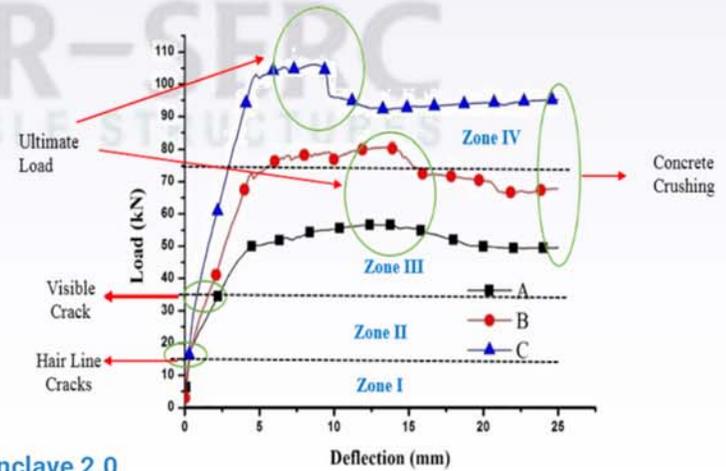
Test setup



Sequence of crack growth Technology and Innovation Conclave 2.0

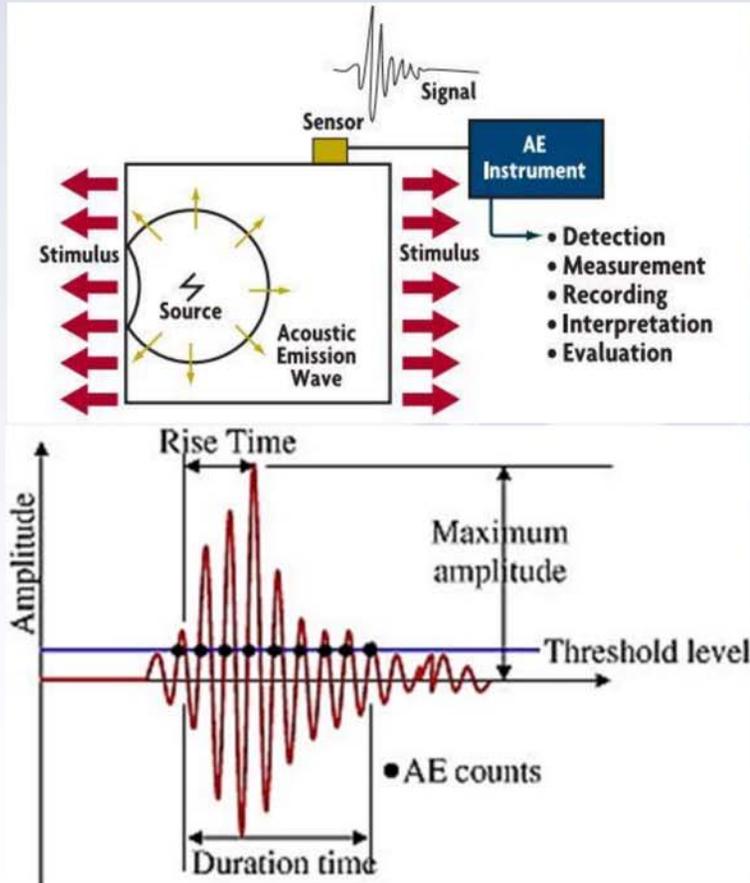


Damage zone classification

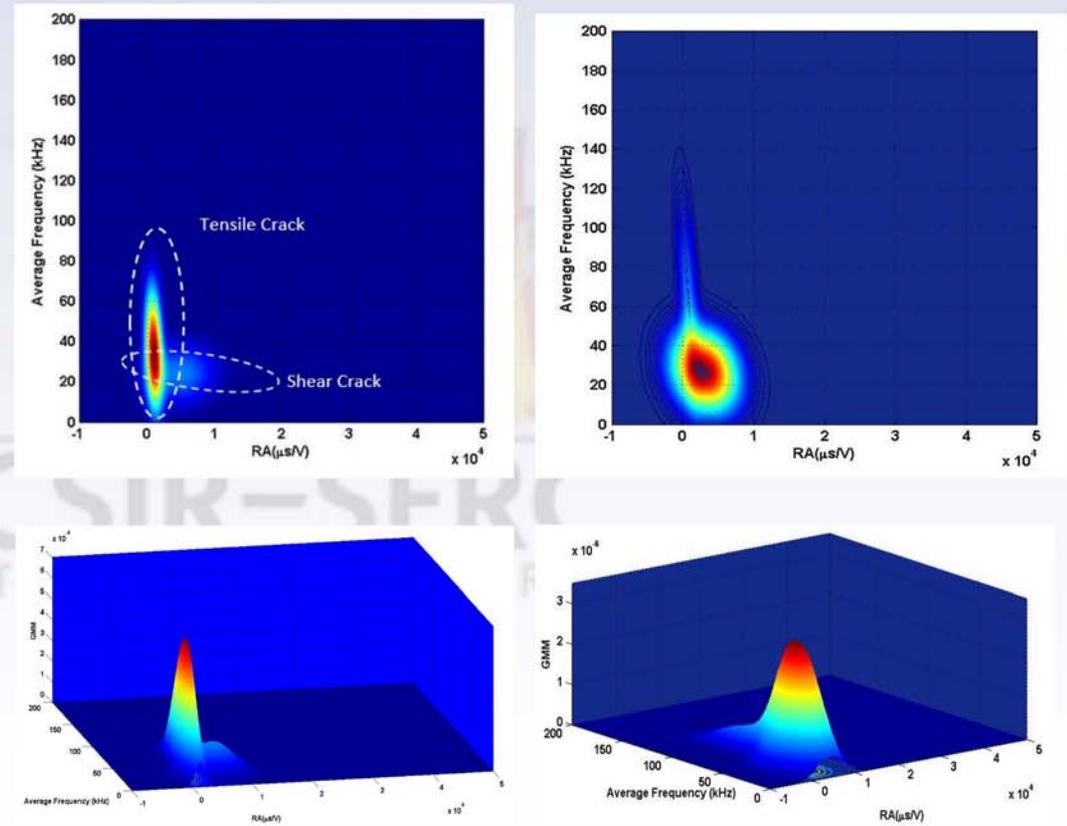


AI-ENABLED CRACK MONITORING

ACOUSTIC EMISSION MONITORING



GMM Classification



AE results

THE CSIR-SERC COMMITMENT



- **The Challenge:** Climate change requires a "Dual Strategy"—Mitigating the cause (Renewable Energy) and hardening against the effect (Disaster Resilience).
- **The Solution:** CSIR-SERC combines Advanced Experimental Verification (RTHS) with AI-Driven Analytics to deliver this infrastructure faster and safer.
- **The Offer:** We are ready to collaborate on technology transfer, capacity building and policy formulation to scale these solutions across the Asia-Pacific region.

CSIR-SERC is prepared to partner with the nations represented here to deploy these tools, ensuring that our infrastructure is not a victim of climate change, but our first line of defense against it.

Thank you

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