Passing Vessel Analysis: Overview of ROPES JIP Software

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Research on Passing Effects on Ships Joint Industry Project (ROPES JIP) Objective

“To provide insight into the effects of passing ships and to validate and develop methodologies for the evaluation of such effects on ships moored in a port in order to provide solutions for existing and new port terminal developments”

– Provide Insight and Understanding
– Develop Numerical Model and Tool
– Verify, Validate, and Deliver Tool
– Develop Best Practice
Background on Passing Vessel Analysis

• Why is this important?
  – New terminals
  – Regulatory Requirements (MOTEMS)
  – Larger ships
  – Constrained channels
  – Increased risk/consequences

• Previous incidents
  – Titanic leaving Southampton (1912)
  – Jupiter Incident, Bay City Michigan (1990)
Titanic Leaving Southampton

Photos from http://www.rms-titanic-remembered.com/

Oceanic  New York
Jupiter Incident, Bay City Michigan
JIP Work Packages

• Work Package #1: State of the Art Prediction Methods for the Effect of Passing Ships
• Work Package #2: ROPES Software
• Work Package #3: Model Testing
• Work Package #4: Full Scale Testing
• Work Package #5: Correlation of Prediction, Verification, and Validation
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Work Package Products

JIP Ropes - Work Package 1: REVIEW AND USE OF STATE-OF-THE-ART PREDICTION METHODS

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JIP Ropes, WP1 - Framework and overview
State-of-the-art prediction methods for the effect of passing ships

Simulation input summary

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Overview of Numerical Models

Figure 2.2: Schematic overview of the different numerical models considered in WP1.
Scale model tests at MARIN, captive (hull forces)

- Horizontal forces on passing vessel
- 6 d.o.f forces on moored vessel
- Wave elevation at 3 locations
- Current speed at 1 location
Work Package Products

REVIEW: MAASVLAKTE DDN

- 31 passing events along ECT DDN quayside
- 4 vessels using traditional mooring lines
- 2 vessels with ShoreTension breast lines
- Very high traffic volume from 2 adjacent container terminals
Full Scale Tests

Figure 1: Monitoring campaign location Nieuwe Waterweg / Scheur
Correlations work on field scale: “reality checks”

General impression of field-scale correlation results:
- For a number of selected passing events with significant dynamic effects, a reasonable correlation between measurements and ROPES was found taking into account the large uncertainties.

Some practical aspects:
- Limited passing effects due to caution taken by passing vessels
- Mooring line configurations and pre-tensions are often not adequately maintained by vessel crews
- Large influence of pre-tension and fender friction
- Large influence of active mooring systems
Typical ROPES Runs
ROPES Software
Comparison of Moored Vessel Surge and Sway Forces
No Angle Passing Vessel vs. 10 deg Angle Passing Vessel
\( V = 2 \text{ m/s}, \text{Distance} = \sim 100 \text{ ft (Side-to-side)} \)
ROPES Software

Welland Canal Tie-Up Wall Reconstruction Program
Analysis
Analysis Case
ROPES JIP Achievements

• ROPES software; versatile & user friendly
• Huge set of systematic model test data
• Effect of drift angle, current, port layout
• Correlation between ROPES & model tests showing applicability & accuracy of software
• Correlation of mooring analysis with model test data using ROPES as input for the exciting loads
• Full scale data for 4 locations with reality check
• Understanding of the effect of passing ships
THANK YOU!