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# Research center for smart submerged floating tunnel system

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## Background

- Growing interest in SFT around the world: being considered as a candidate for a fixed link for many crossings.
- In case of Korea, SFT is not only a suitable as a solution for a number of fixed links (between China-Korea, Korea-Japan), it is expected to boost economy and promote logistics industries in the connected countries.
- Against this backdrop, Research Center for Smart Submerged Floating Tunnel Systems was established at KAIST in 2017, funded by National Research Foundation of Korea, Ministry of Science and ICT.



### **Goal of the center**



Develop fundamental technologies for SFTs

considering smartness, safety, and sustainability

## **Brief history**



## Organization



- $\succ$  The center consists of three groups covering different topics of research areas.
- Each group is comprised of 3-5 sub-groups led by professors and researchers from University/research institute/industry.

### **Center research outline**



## **Cooperative research plan**



Improve the maturity of technologies via the fusion of technologies developed by the cooperative research among groups

### **Cooperative research plan**



## **Key accomplishments**

#### Activities

- <u>Hosted symposia / workshops / conferences</u>
  - "Smart Submerged Floating Tunnel Systems Research Center" in 4<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Computational Design in Engineering (CODE2018), Changwon, South Korea, April 1-5, 2018
  - "KAIST ERC Special Session" in 2018 Spring Conference, Jeju, South Korea, April 5-7, 2018

- International Workshop on Smart SFTs, and 1<sup>st</sup> Year Winter Workshop and 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Summer Workshop on Smart SFTs

- "1st China-Korea-Italy Workshop on SFTs" in Hangzhou, China, October 12, 2018

### • Invited seminars delivered by experts in the field of SFTs

- "Global Dynamics Simulations of SFT (Submerged Floating Tunnel) including hydroelasticity" by MH Kim (Professor, Texas A&M University), June 7, 2018

- "Experiences, recent development, and ongoing research on Submerged Floating Tunnels in Norway" by Mathias Egeland Eidem (Project Manager, Norwegian Public Road Administration), January 29, 2018

- "Innovations in infrastructure: Floating bridges" by Tina Vejrum (Vice President of Major Bridges International, COWI), January 29, 2018

- "Global performance simulation of submerged floating tunnel by hydroelastic analysis" Heon Yong Kang (Research Assistant Professor, Texas A&M University), January 29, 2018

### **Research overview of Group I**



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#### **Group Member**



#### [I-2 Team] [I-3 Team] Kwak, Kim, **Hyo-Gyoung** Dong-soo KAIST KAIST **Research: Local static Research: Foundation-anchor** behavior analysis system design [I-5 Team] Prof. Kim (TAMU) Kim, (Dynamic behavior) Moohyun Prof. Kwak (KAIST) (Cross-section of SFT) TEXAS A&M NIVERSITY Dr. Park (KIOST) **Research: Global dynamic** (Anchor System) behavior analysis Prof. Hong (KAIST) Prof. Kim (KAIST) (Collision/Explosion) (Foundation)

[1] https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Submerged\_floating\_tunnel

## **Evaluation of global SFT behavior**



Major SFT parameters Value		Unit			
Tunnel					
Length	700 (varying)	m			
Outer diameter	23	m			
Bending stiffness	234.11×10 <sup>11</sup> (varying)	N-m²			
Axial stiffness	4.27×10 <sup>9</sup> (varying)	Ν			
Added mass coefficient	1.0	-			
Drag coefficient	0.55	-			
Mooring lines (Chain)					
Bar diameter	0.18	m			
Installation span	25	m			
Axial stiffness	2.77×10°	Ν			
Added mass coefficient	1.0	-			
Drag coefficient	2.4	-			

Component	Wet natural frequency (rad/s)	Mode number
	1.92	1 <sup>st</sup> mode
Tunnel (Horizontal direction)	2.70	2 <sup>nd</sup> mode
	4.53	3 <sup>rd</sup> mode
	3.12	1 <sup>st</sup> mode
Tunnel (Vertical direction)	3.45	2 <sup>nd</sup> mode
	4.89	3 <sup>rd</sup> mode
Mooring lines #1 and #2 (Center)	5.78	1 <sup>st</sup> mode
Mooring lines #3 and #4 (Center)	9.04	1 <sup>st</sup> mode

2D and 3D schematic drawing of system

## **Evaluation of global SFT behavior**

### ➤ Wave condition

- ✓ Wave elevation is produced by Jonswap wave spectrum.
- ✓ Wave force is acted at each node of the tunnel calculated by Morison Equation.
- ✓ Wave direction is perpendicular to the longitudinal direction of the tunnel

Significant wave height	Peak period	Enhancement parameter (γ)
11.7 m	13.0 sec	2.14



#### \* South sea of Korea 100-year typhoon condition

### Earthquake condition

Condition	Value
Richter Magnitude scale	6.8
Peak longitudinal motion (x) (cm)	-3.3
Peak transverse motion (y) (cm)	2.2
Peak vertical motion (z) (cm)	-1.7



Real seismic data (USGS: US Geological Survey)

- ✓ The earthquake occurred in 78 km WNW of Ferndale, California, USA in 2014.
- Seismic wave effects are considered by moving anchor location of mooring lines and both end locations of the tunnel at each time step.
- ✓ Based on seismic response spectrum of Korea, further research will be conducted.



Transverse seismic motion and spectrum



Vertical seismic motion and spectrum

## **Evaluation of global SFT behavior**



### ➤ What we found?

- $\checkmark$  The 100-year-strom condition is more severe for global performance of the SFT.
- ✓ Seismic excitations are also important since seismic-dominant-frequency ranges are close to tunnel's natural frequencies. In this case, tunnel's motions are larger than input seismic motion.
- ✓ Mooring tensions are less than minimum breaking load with consideration for the safety factor of 1.67 (API criterion) under both wave and seismic excitations.

## Local static analysis of SFT

### Determination of Section Dimension

✓ Comparison of BWR affected by parameters & internal traffics

< Calculation of initial BWR with 23m & 20m diameter >



23m) Buoyancy: 4,173.4kN/m Weight: 2,814.7kN/m BWR=1.483



20m) Buoyancy: 3,155.7kN/m Weight: 2,438.4kN/m BWR=1.29

- According to the 'Highway & Railway design codes[1, 2]' in Korea, <u>minimum outer diameter</u> of SFT should be <u>20m</u> (4-way Road width 16m + outer, internal wall)
- Change of BWR by effect of road traffic(DB24, DL24
   [1]) & train load(KRL-2012, <sup>[2]</sup>) was analyzed considering an influence line
- BWR affected by **a volume of ballast tank** have been calculated

(maximum 4.7% of total BWR)



[1] Design standards for railway, Korea rail network authority (2011)

[2] Design standards for highway bridges (2012)

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## Local static analysis of SFT

### ➢ Mooring tension of SFT by 3D structural analysis

#### < Modeling of SFT tunnel and mooring lines >



#### < Analysis result - displacement >

#### < Modeling details >

	Details
Sectional size	A 50,000mm long structural module of Funka bay tunnel * 4
Modeling element	tunnel – solid elem. Mooring line – beam elem.
Material properties	E <sub>conc</sub> =30 GPa, E <sub>mooring</sub> =108.85 Gpa
Etc.	Length of mooring line : 44.45m Fixed end condition

- Tensile force is generated at mooring line due to the buoyancy.
- Arch shaped stresses are observed as the displacement at the central part of the tunnel exceeds that at both ends.



#### < Analysis result – reaction force >



### Local static analysis of SFT

### Effect of load combination on SFT by structural analysis

#### < Equivalent Wave Load >



#### < Equivalent Tunnel Acceleration>



#### < Mooring tensile reaction at center thru equivalent wave analysis >

Position(z, m)	KAIST (kN)	TAMU (kN)	Error (%)
Static analysis	66,343.8	66,152.7	-0.29
+ Wave	73,502.52	71,893.25	-2.24
+ Added mass	80,902.52	77,753.05	-4.05
+ Damping	80,902.52	77,749.27	-
+ Inertia	88,305.62	91,195.4	3.17

- Equivalent static analyses for dynamic loadings are on going (vortex, earthquake, etc.)
- Validation with global analysis & theoretical results
- Determination of an optimum section through parametric study

## Local dynamic analysis of SFT

### Numerical wave flume

• Wave modeling by using SPH method





<Time series of surface elevation measured <sup>[3]</sup> and calculated at different positions in the flume>

- Smoothed particle hydrodynamics (SPH) is useful for expressing fluid flow and extreme deformation.
- Validation of numerical wave height is conducted through the comparison with experiment data <sup>[3]</sup>.
- SPH method is used to model water, FE solid and truss element are used to model SFT and mooring.
- The interaction of the tunnel with the fluid is implemented using the contact algorithm.



<Fluid-Submerged floating tunnel interaction using FEM and SPH>

[3] Schäffer, H. A. (1996). Second-order wavemaker theory for irregular waves. Ocean Engineering, 23(1), 47-88.

## **Underwater explosion (UNDEX) simulation**

#### • Evaluation of explosion load by using ALE method

- In Arbitrary Lagrangian-Eulerian (ALE) description, nodes move in time as in Lagrangian algorithms or fixed in Eulerian<sup>[4]</sup>.
- In order to rearrange the mesh, nodes move to an arbitrary point and consider relative motion of the material <sup>[4]</sup>.
- Suitable for numerical analysis of high-speed deformation such as explosion pressure propagation.
- Validation of shock pressure and bubble phases was conducted through the comparison with empirical formula <sup>[4]</sup>.
- It is possible to measure bubble pulse which can not be calculated by empirical formula <sup>[4]</sup>.

$$P_{max} = K_1 \left(\frac{W^{1/3}}{R}\right)^{A_1} = 52.4 \times \left(\frac{200^{1/3}}{5}\right)^{1.18} = 63.04 Mpa$$
  

$$T = K_5 \times \frac{W^{1/3}}{(D+10)^{5/6}} = 2.11 \times \frac{200^{1/3}}{(11+10)^{5/6}} = 0.976 sec$$
  

$$R_{max} = K_6 \times \frac{W^{1/3}}{(D+10)^{1/3}} = 3.50 \times \frac{200^{1/3}}{(11+10)^{1/3}} = 7.42 m$$



<Comparison between analytical and numerical bubble phases <sup>[5]</sup>>



[4] Donea, J., & Huerta, A. (2003). Finite element methods for flow problems. John Wiley & Sons.

[5] Costanzo, F. A. (2011). Underwater explosion phenomena and shock physics. In Structural Dynamics, Volume 3 (pp. 917-938). Springer, New York, NY.

### **Underwater collision simulation**

- Evaluation of impact force by using ALE method<sup>[6]</sup>
- ALE method is used to model water and air, while FE solid element is used to model tunnel and impact body in the simulation.
- The interaction of the tunnel, impact body, and fluid is implemented using the contact algorithm.
- It is possible to analyze the external force applied to the tunnel according to the impact velocity of the impact body.



<Underwater collision simulation>

- Future work
- The behavior of submerged floating tunnel against wave force, explosion pressure, and impact force will be analyzed.

## **Design of anchor system**

#### > Hydrodynamic analysis for investigation of anchor system

#### • Anchorage system (ABAQUS modeling)



Hydrodynamic analysis for analysis of anchorage system(ABAQUS)

#### • Dynamic response (Video)



Type 1

Type 2

Parameters	Values		
1. Environmental conditions			
Water depth (h, m)	180		
Wave period (T, s)	14.37		
Wave height (H, m)	10.85		
2. Tunnel			
Outer diameter (m)	23		
Wall thickness (m)	1		
Elastic modulus (GPa)	30		
Density (kg/m³)	2400		
Drag/added-mass coefficient	1.2/1.0		
Clearance depth (m)	60		
3. Hollow section of tether			
Outer diameter/thickness (m)	0.553/0.04		
Elastic modulus (GPa)	210.0		
Minimum yield stress (MPa)	482.6 (API X70)		
Minimum ultimate stress (MPa)	565.4 (API X70)		
Drag/added-mass coefficient	1.2/1.0		
Tether spacing (m)	50.0		

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## **Design of anchor system**



## **Design of anchor system**

#### Design and analysis of padeye (between tension leg and foundation)

- Development of design sheet for padeye refer to DNV 2.7-1,3 and AISC code
- Verification of proposed design sheet using FE analysis
- Suggestion of joint part between tunnel and tension leg refer to DNV code
- ▼ Joint part between tension leg and foundation



TLP hu Flex elemen

## Foundation-anchor system design

- Geotechnical Issues
  - ✓ High target safety level
    - ✓ Small allowable displacement (Tunnel allowable displacement for plastic ground: 20~40mm)
  - ✓ Unique loading characteristics
    - ✓ Huge sustained pullout loading (Buoyancy) + Cyclic loading (Wave)
  - $\checkmark$  In this study, focus is on foundation issues in sand



## Analytical calculation of anchor capacity

#### Design of suction anchor specification

- Applied Pull-out estimation
  - = Weight x BWR x Span
  - = Target load per each suction bucket : **36MN**
- Design the suction anchor dimension
  - ➢ Find D x L using Deng equation <sup>[8]</sup>
  - ▶ Find D x L using Houlsby equation<sup>[9]</sup>
- Final size D x L : 11 x 11 or 11 x 9 for suction anchor



Available options					
Eq. by	Deng <sup>[8]</sup>	Eq. by Houlsby <sup>[9]</sup>			
Diameter (m)	Length (m)	Diameter (m)	Length (m)		
10	10	11	11		
11	9	12	9		
9	11	10.5	12		



Ultimate capacity with bucket size

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## **Evaluation of the suction anchor - static**

#### Behavior of the suction anchor

- Undersea loading condition : Lateral component + Vertical component
  - > Need to estimate the effect of the inclined load
- Seafloor condition : Irregular soil along the tunnel longitudinal direction
  - > Need to estimate the effect of the soil properties
  - Conducting the numerical analysis
  - Verifying data using centrifuge
- A Numerical study study for horizontal loading
  - > Parameter : Soil elastic modulus / Friction angle / Inclined load







[Numerical test]



: Simultaneously express the horizontal and vertical failure load according to angle.

## **Evaluation of the suction anchor - cyclic**

### Cyclic behavior of the suction foundation

- Undersea loading condition : Sustained buoyancy + Cyclic loading
  - Need to estimate the effect of cyclic loading considering the buoyancy
- Using centrifuge & 1g small scaled model tests
  - Permanent displacement / Stiffness variance
- Parametric study for cyclic loading
  - ➢ Parameter : Loading level → P-1 / P-2 (FLS /SLS, 30 % / 50% of Ultimate Limit State)





### **Research overview of Group II**



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#### **Group Member**

#### [II-1 Team]



## Research: Development of highly-durable concrete for SFTs

[II-2 Team]



Research: Development of integrated construction system for smart SFTs

#### [II-3 Team]



Research: Boundary between subsea bored tunnel and floating tunnel

## **Self-healing concrete**

### Self-healing concrete using biomineralization

- > The formation of micro-cracks in underwater concrete structures
  - ✓ The micro-cracks are caused by external force and shrinkage, and make the transport of moisture and chemicals through a matrix, accelerating concrete deterioration<sup>[10]</sup>.
  - $\checkmark$  Repair work is necessary to extend the service life of concrete structures.
- Self-healing concrete using biomineralization
  - ✓ The biomineralization is a feasible method for self-healing micro-cracks, by filling CaCO<sub>3</sub> in cracks and pores of concrete using ureolytic bacteria <sup>[11]</sup>.



[10] S, A. Altoubat and D, A. Lange. (2001). Creep, shrinkage and cracking of restrained concrete at early age, ACI Materials Journal, Vol. 98, pp. 323-331.

[11] Jonkers, H. M., Thijssen, A., Muyzer, G., Copuroglu, O., & Schlangen, E. (2010). Application of bacteria as self-healing agent for the development of sustainable concrete. Ecological Engineering, Vol. 36, pp. 230-235.

## Self-healing with co-cultured bacteria<sup>[10-1]</sup>

• The urea-calcium lactate medium was co-cultured. Faster growth rate of the non-ureolytic bacteria *B.thuringiensis* provides larger nucleation site which leads to enhanced CaCO<sub>3</sub> precipitation.



<Microscopic observation of crack healing after 1 and 3 days of incubation>

CaCO<sub>3</sub> at urea-calcium lactate medium> [10-1] H.M. Son, H.Y. Kim and H.K. Lee, (2018) *Materials*, 11(5), pp. 782.

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<XRD pattern of dry weight of precipitated</p>

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## **Self-healing concrete**

#### Isolation of marine bacteria

- Marine environments accelerate the chloride penetration, hence it is more difficult to repair concrete micro-cracks in a marine rather than a soil environment<sup>[12]</sup>.
- ➢ We proposed ureolytic marine bacteria isolation that would effectively precipitate CaCO<sub>3</sub> in a marine environment.
- Bacteria *Marinomonas pontica* isolated from domestic sea water was found to precipitate calcium carbonate through urea degradation and calcium consumption, and was effective to repair cracks in concrete.



<Sampling and Single colony selection>



<Microscopic observation of crack healing by CaCO<sub>3</sub> formed by bacteria>

[12] M.H.P. Kadam, D.B. Desai and A. K. Gupta (2017). Repairing and strengthening techniques for historic masonry arch bridges, Imperial Journal of Interdisciplinary Research, Vol. 3, pp. 1172-1176

## **Concrete with high chloride resistance**

#### **Chloride ingress in concrete structures**

- Chloride ions react with the passivation layer of rebar embedded in concrete and cause corrosion of the rebar, leading surface cracking and spalling of the concrete.
- Highly durable cementitious materials with high chloride penetration resistance are required for marine structures including submerged floating tunnel systems<sup>[13]</sup>.
- Using alkali-activated materials (i.e., fly ash, blast furnace slag) and nucleationseeding to develop highly durable materials with high chloride resistance.



## SFT construction method development

### Developing new construction concepts for SFT continuations

### SFT construction concepts

- ✓ Methods for constructing submerged tunnels are being studied.
- ✓ Long, straight portion of SFT constructed under the balance of buoyancy and dead load with the minimum extrusion force → Underwater ILM
- ✓ Long, straight or curved portion of SFT construction by **using dry-dock** are considered.
- New extended immersed tunnel construction utilizing a moving dry dock is being conceptually investigated.



### SFT module optimization in production/transportation/installation

### Investigation of various SFT module sections

> To check mooring line of various SFT module under construction condition

- ✓ Various SFT sections proposed by many researchers are investigated.
- ✓ Under the condition of SFT module in transportation or mooring, the responses of SFT module and forces in tethering are computed.
- ✓ ABAQUS/AQUA using beam models is used in computation.
- ✓ Sectional constants such as Ixx, Iyy and A are calculated from the geometry of SFT section.
- $\checkmark$  The stabilities in immersing SFT module will be checked in considering the ballast water.
- ✓ More rigorous approaches considering wave diffractions are on going.

	C.B	
C.G		

Section	weight	buyancy	cy C.G		C.B		I <sub>xx</sub>	I <sub>xx</sub>	А
Section	(tonf)	(tonf)	Х	Y	Х	Y	(m <sup>4</sup> )	(m <sup>4</sup> )	(m <sup>2</sup> )
01A	191.954	295.572	0.000	-0.275	0.000	0.000	2691.075	2597.184	78.349
01B	190.740	258.917	0.000	-0.478	0.000	0.000	1785.537	3153.727	77.853
Funka	267.614	415.455	0.000	-0.847	0.000	0.000	5305.785	5099.369	109.230
GK	248.415	260.813	0.000	-0.084	-0.051	0.000	1460.055	7017.892	101.394
Jintang	243.578	301.906	0.000	0.115	0.000	0.219	1612.046	6901.852	99.420
Messina	108.627	176.694	0.000	-0.277	0.000	0.000	889.541	766.342	44.338
Oinaoshi	48.804	60.420	1.252	-0.353	1.150	-0.150	96.613	276.361	19.920
Quiandao	8.876	13.505	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	6.761	6.761	3.623

### SFT module optimization in production/transportation/installation



[16] MARTIRE, Giulio. The Development of Submerged Floating Tunnels as an innovative solution for waterway crossings. 2010. Ph. D Thesis. Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II.

[17] https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2016/07/norway-could-build-the-worlds-first-floating-tunnel.

[18] 박우선, 한상훈, 오상호, 고진환, 한택회, 이진학, 박영현, 정원무, 오영민, 신창주, 안희도, 이달수, 채장원, 원덕희, 이상현, 백승미, 서지혜, 지장환, 이성봉 외 3명, 해중터널 실용화를 위한 핵심기술 개발 (1단계), 한국해양과학기술원 (2013)

[19] Shunji Kanie, Feasibility on various SFT in Japan and their technological evaluation. Procedia Engineering 4 (2010) 13-20.

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[22] XIANG, Yiqiang, et al. Risk analysis and management of submerged floating tunnel and its application. Procedia Engineering, 2010, 4: 107-116.

[23] Mazzolani, F. M., Landolfo, R., Faggiano, B., Esposto, M., Perotti, F., & Barbella, G. (2008). Structural analyses of the submerged floating tunnel prototype in Qiandao Lake (PR of China). Advances in structural engineering, 11(4), 439-454.

### SFT module optimization in production/transportation/installation

### Structural checks for mooring line of Funka Bay SFT (Hs=0.5m, T=5.3sec, Vy=1m/s)



#### **Boundary connecting modules**

➤ Six degree-of-freedom analysis on the boundary connecting module

- ✓ As the ocean environmental loads (wave, tidal, tsunami, etc.) occurred, the stress concentration would occur on boundary between subsea bored tunnel (relatively fixed behavior) and floating tunnel (relatively free behavior).
- The six degree-of-freedom free design of connecting module is required to minimize the impact of oceanic dynamic loads<sup>[24]</sup>.
  - **Hinged connection** shows only about 50% of rigid connection.
  - **Elasto-plastic bearing** shows transverse shear force 18.9% less and transverse moment 49.1% less than that of hinged connection.



- The boundary connecting module should be **hinged connection for feasible construction**<sup>[25]</sup>.

#### Numerical study using FLAC2D

### ➢ Numerical study on the boundary using FLAC2D

- ✓ Ground stability analysis on target area (boundary between two different tunnel type)
- ✓ Construction environment and geological impact on tunnel analyzed
- ✓ Effect of **earthquake** (Ofunato, Hachinohe) on the target area analyzed
- Design for reinforcement will be determined according to the stress concentration on target area.



- ✓ Analysis conditions:
  - Target area: Jeju island offshore
- Tunnel diameter 20 m.
- At the boundary, input simplified connecting module as cubic.
- All region is fully saturated.
- BWR (Buoyancy-Weight ratio) is fixed at 1.3.
- No supporting system for floating tunnel was considered

### Numerical study using FLAC2D



### Numerical study using FLAC2D

#### Initial condition (pore pressure & initial stress composed)





<Stress distribution in initial condition (shear)>



<pore pressure distribution in initial condition>

- Two types of ground composition (rock & sand)
- Shear stress concentrated along to the slope
- **Initial stress condition** with **saturated ground** was composed.

### Numerical study using FLAC2D

#### Earthquake example (Ofunato, short period wave)



<Contour of maximum shear strain increment>

- Maximum shear strain of 0.6 caused at the node adjacent to tunnel.
- Strain have to be controlled with proper reinforcement.



<Contour of shear stress>

- Maximum shear stress of 12.5MPa caused at the node adjacent to tunnel.
- Tunnel supporting system has not been considered yet.

#### **Concluding remarks**

### ➢ Result of numerical study with FLAC 2D

- ✓ Jeju island offshore was simulated in numerical software.
- $\checkmark$  Ground behavior adjacent to the tunnel was analyzed when earthquake occurs.
- ✓ Short period wave (Ofunato) caused stress concentration at the ground near the tunnel with the maximum shear stress of 12.5MPa.
- ✓ Long period wave (Hachinohe) caused failure at soil-rock interface.
- $\checkmark$  Short period wave has more effect on the target area with rock.

### Forthcoming works

- $\checkmark$  Numerical analysis for calculating stress induced by wave loadings on the boundary
- Estimating the maximum allowable stress that can occur on the structure sitting at the boundary
- ✓ More accurate numerical study is needed using load/moment applied on the floating tunnel.
- ✓ Utilizing three-dimensional numerical software to consider horizontal stress.
- $\checkmark$  These results will be compiled to conceptualize the connecting module.

### **Research overview of Group III**



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- 1) Safety response & evacuation for fire and water leakage
- ② Online monitoring of tension leg force, corrosion, and crack
- ③ External collision monitoring
- ④ Robot based underwater topology exploration & sensing

### **Research overview of Group III**

### **Group Member**



#### **Structural Health Monitoring**

#### [III-3 Sub-group]



**Underwater Robots based Monitoring** 



**Collision and Corrosion Monitoring** 

#### [III-4 Sub-group]



Safety Response and Evacuation

### **Displacement measurements**

### Objective

Monitoring of SFT health by estimating displacement via physical quantities, i.e., ① tension force, ② strain, ③ acceleration



- Displacement plays a vital role in structure health monitoring, since it can provide crucial information regarding structural integrity and current conditions.
- We estimate high-accuracy, high sampling rate displacement by fusing acceleration, strain, and tension force measurements.



### PT tendon monitoring: Eddy current technique<sup>[26]</sup>

Objective

Monitoring of PT tendon force using eddy current measurement



- > PT tendon can be a critical load carrying member to maintain desirable performance of SFT.
- If PT tendon force is lost due to "concrete creep", "steel relaxation", or "corrosion", it can cause a catastrophic collapse of the whole SFT system.
- > Eddy current technique is developed for monitoring tension force reduction.

## **Tension leg monitoring**

Objective

Monitoring of tension leg force by developing a low-cost, robust measurement sensor



- Existing technologies for monitoring tension leg forces
  - Load cells & FBG sensors are commonly used
  - Mainly developed for offshore platforms like TLP
  - Very expensive

Deploying in underwater environments

→ Need a development of inexpensive sensor

### **Anchor monitoring**

#### Objective

- Detect cracks formed at the padeye
- Estimate the remaining life based on nonlinear ultrasonic measurement



#### Failure Mode of Padeye<sup>[29]</sup>



- Failure occurs at the ear of the padeye
- The ear of the padeye is the target point of monitoring

\* We induce failure to be occurred in the padeye at the design stage, even if failure can occur in the shackle.

### **Corrosion monitoring**

#### Objective

Develop a corrosion monitoring system so that one can investigate corrosion tendency and penetration characteristics of corrosion factors (i.e., chloride, oxygen, water, etc).



[Corrosion monitoring of SFT in underwater environments]



[Rebar corrosion of reinforced concrete structures]<sup>[31][32]</sup>



[Corrosion monitoring sensor][33]

- Investigation of reinforced concrete rebar corrosion in underwater environments
  - Conventional studies: Inadequate for underwater environments
- Research on the rebar corrosion of SFTs exposed to underwater environments

[32] http://59.7.251.147/kisTec/amend/amd11002.jsp?defect\_cd=AR0412.

### **External collision monitoring**

#### Objective

- Design a collision detection system
- Design a data management module and an alarm system
- Plan the basic design and monitoring scenarios



#### [Summary of the external collision monitoring system]

### Underwater robots based monitoring technology for SFT



Select the operational strategy according to survey distance

- Long range (side scan sonar) > 50 m
- Medium range (imaging sonar) 10~50 m
- Short range (optical camera) < 10 m</li>



- Side scan sonar: Scan seabed topography and the entire underwater structure
- Imaging sonar: Reconstruction of 3D map and recognition of SFT
- Optical camera: Precision safety inspection for surface of structure

### Research objectives

- Develop strategies to recognize the position of the robot and underwater topology
- Develop an inspection strategy by combining multi-mode sensors such as sonar and camera

### Strategy for underwater robot operation



- > Long range
  - Scan wide area including SFT through side scan sonars
  - Provide underwater geographic information for studying medium and short ranges based on underwater robots
- ➢ Medium range
  - Underwater robots with imaging sonars approach to SFTs
  - Perform 3D reconstruction of SFTs through the acquired data
- > Short range
  - Use optical sensors, such as, cameras and lasers
  - Perform precise inspection of SFTs' surface







### Safety response and evacuation technology for disaster prevention

#### Emergency Response and Evacuation Technology for Fire



[Smoke propagation distance with ventilation system][38]

#### Early suppression and emergency ventilation

Rapid and safe evacuation technology

#### Emergency Response and Evacuation Technology for Water Leakage



[Example of rock fall and water leakage in tunnel]<sup>[39]</sup>

- Delay and shutdown for water leakage
- Rapid and safe evacuation technology

#### Research objective

Develop safety response and evacuation technologies for fire & water leakage

### Rapid water leak shutdown technology using inflatable system

- The packed system is inflated by air pressure to block the tunnel
- Resist the water pressure by friction resistance between inflator and wall



[Materials for inflator][40]



- Water pressure  $(P_r = P_w)$
- Equivalent tunnel radius of inflater  $(r_{ea})$
- Design pressure in inflater (P<sub>design</sub>)
- Design friction coefficient (µ)
- Fabric tensile stress ( $\sigma_T^*$ )
- Inflater length (L)



[Split and expansion scenario considering tunnel cross section]<sup>[40]</sup>

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