## Floating Offshore Wind Turbine Platform: Design, Modelling and Control

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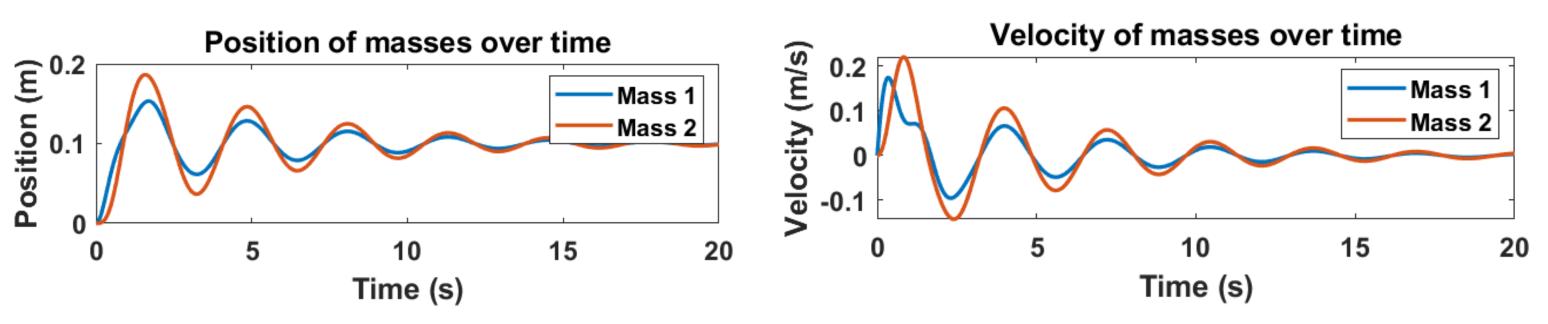
### INTRO

In our research, we study the optimal design, modelling and control for a platform on which a floating offshore wind turbine (FOWT) sits. The platform hence actuates itself in the offshore environment and provides a stable base for the FOWT.

#### **METHODS**

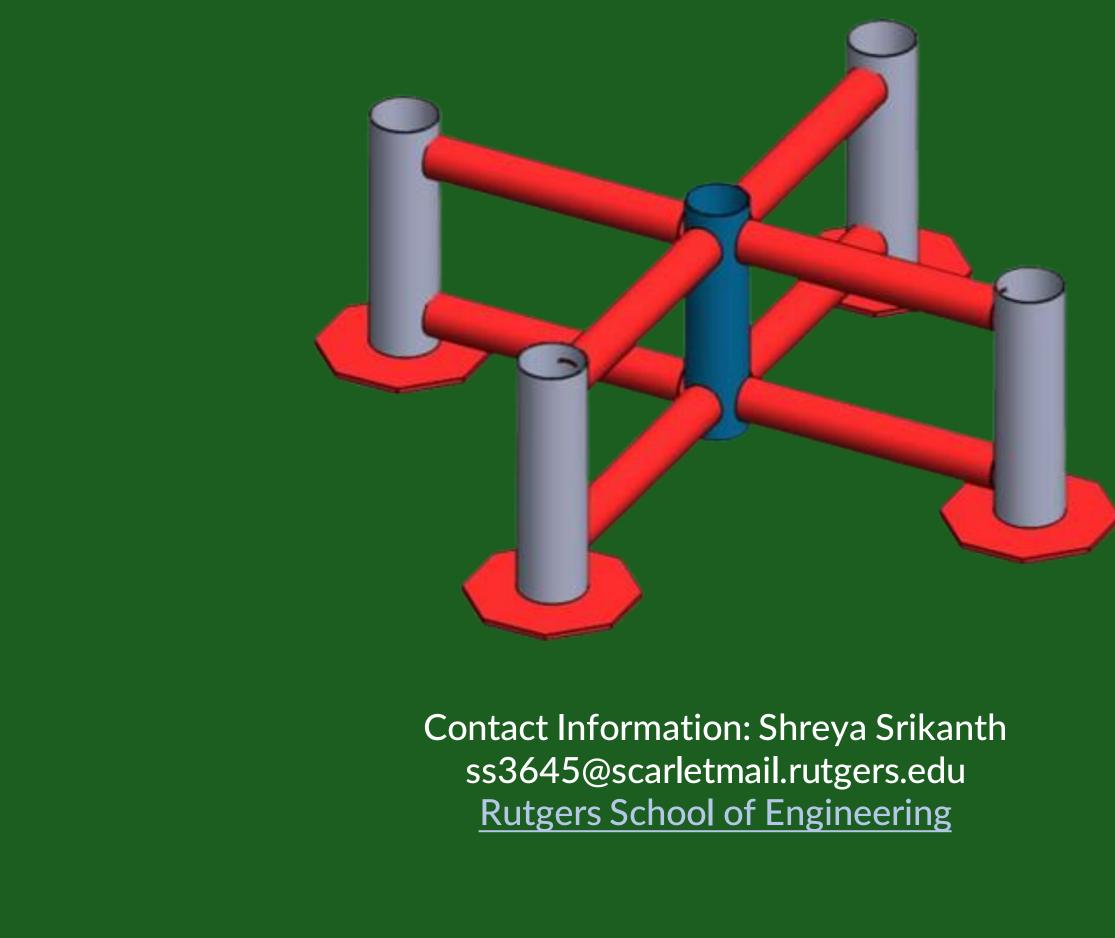
- 1. Using software tools, we design our small-scale FOWT platform as a cross-shaped model with the turbine in the central column (see Figure).
- 2. The platform consists of PVC columns and members, heave plates to damp heave motion, as well as active dynamic vibration absorbers within the 2 opposite vertical buoyancy columns to damp pitch oscillations.
- 3. Consider spring-mass-damper systems and perform simulations of oscillations over time. More complex systems will be simulated in the future (see Figure).

#### RESULTS



#### DISCUSSION

- Created design for small-scale FOWT platform, defined control implementation and requirements, and began modelling of the system.
- Future work: platform construction, control design and further experimentation.



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# **1. Design of Cross-Shaped Platform**

- **2. Control Requirements of Active**
- **Dynamic Vibration Absorbers**

### **3. Modelling of Complex FOWT System**