



# **OCEAN SYSTEM SIMULATION & CONTROL LABORATORY (OSSCL)**

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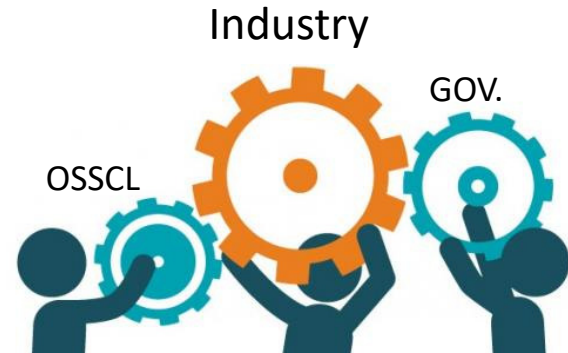
# Vision



- A research center that practically benefits ocean industry through Ocean System Simulation and Control Consortium.



Captured from <https://youtu.be/JvrB9PMane4>



# Objectives



- Identify contemporary challenges in Ocean Industry and develop innovative cost effective solutions.
- Develop Integrated Suite of Variable Fidelity Computational Tools including Control for Ocean Systems: the alternative or extended counterpart to physical model testing & the complete package to design various ocean systems.
- Develop Smarter Ocean Systems including advanced materials and controls: cost reduction and safety improvements with less crew.
- Advance Long-term Fundamental Researches.

# Integrated Suite of Variable Fidelity Computational Tools including Control



- **Fluid Dynamics**  
Boundary Element Methods (Potential) & Computational Fluid Dynamics (Viscid) & Particle-based Methods
- **Floating Body Dynamics**  
Small motions & Large motions
- **Mooring-Riser Dynamics**  
Small extensible rod dynamics & Large extensible rod dynamic & Beam dynamics
- **Hydroelasticity**  
Modal method & Direct coupling & Full or Local load-mapping
- **Control**  
Semi-active/active control & Linear/nonlinear control
- **Structure Dynamics**  
Small deformation & Large deformation

# Smarter Ocean Systems



- **Advanced Material Application:** Magneto-rheological damping tensioner (real-time control of tensioner damping and stiffness to extend operability)
- **Control Application:** High-accuracy dynamic positioning system or Wave feed-forward dynamic positioning system
- **Health Monitoring:** Real-time monitoring with optimum sensor (monitor real-time motion of riser or detect damages to column structures)

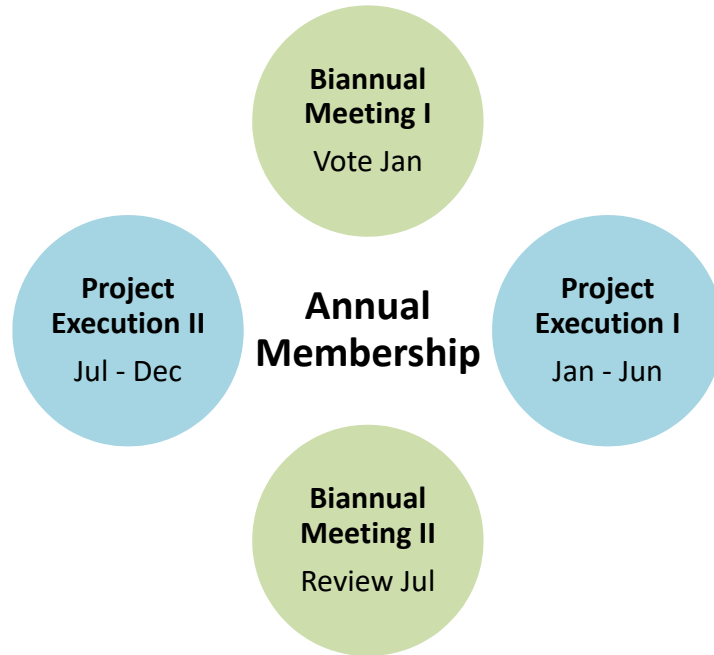
To achieve optimum operation with less crew and safety improvement.

# Long-term Fundamental Researches



- **Nonlinearities in Fluid and Structure Dynamics:** Nonlinear hydroelasticity, Nonlinear hydrodynamics for forward speed vessels, Particle-based simulation, Advanced CFD simulation, Hydrophobic surface
- **Advanced Controls:** Dynamic positioning within ice impacts, Low motion controls for dry-tree semi submersible.
- **High-performance Computation:** CPU vs. GPU parallel computation, Optimum resolution of CFD, Efficient load-mapping, Fast fluid dynamics solvers
- **System Innovation and Advanced Materials Application**

# Operation Plan



- **Membership:** Diamond \$20,000 (1.5 weighting), Gold \$14,000, Silver \$7,000 (0.5 weighting)
- **Joint Industry Project:** for specific interests, separate projects can be developed.
- **Short Courses:** annual training for industrial professionals.
- **Symposium:** annual international conference.
- **Long-term:** NSF IUCRC 15-year plan

# NSF IUCRC

## Industry-University Cooperative Research Center



- Contributes to the nation's research enterprise by **developing long-term partnerships** among industry, academe, and government;
- Leverages NSF funds with industry to **support graduate students performing industrially relevant pre-competitive research**;
- Expands the innovation capacity of our nation's **competitive workforce through partnerships between industries and universities**; and
- Encourages the nation's research enterprise to **remain competitive through active engagement with academic and industrial leaders** throughout the world.



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UNIVERSITY.

offshore/coastal/  
subsea/renewable

THE  
UNIVERSITY  
OF RHODE ISLAND

naval defense/  
robotics/offshore wind

- Industrial Advisory Board vote research projects annually
- Strict membership requirements in the number and cash contribution (\$150K +\$150, \$200K+100K, \$250K+50K, 3)
- Annual evaluation measures industry and university interaction (#publication, #hiring, #tech transfer)
- NSF directs centers to achieve objectives.

# Faculty

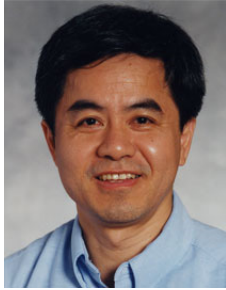


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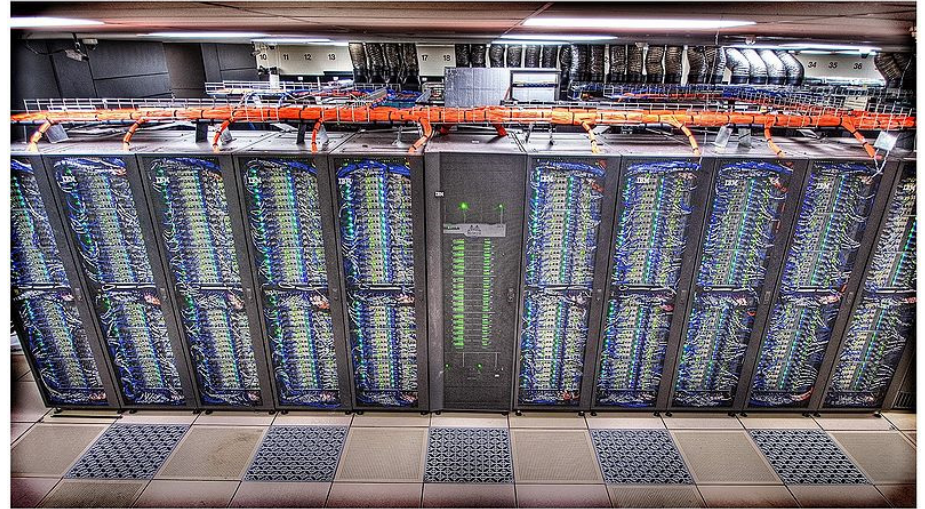


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# Facilities (Supercomputing)



- **TERRA (8,512 cores of 304 nodes)**  
CPU 256 nodes & GPU 48 nodes



- **ADA (17,340 cores of 852 nodes)**  
CPU 792 nodes & GPU 30 nodes

**Available Program: StarCCM+, Ansys, Abaqus, OpenFOAM, LS-DYNA**  
**External Resource: Stampede UT**

# Membership Benefits



Selection of Research Topics (about \$40K fees in common interests can launch a project)

Exclusive Research Reports

Direct access to TAMU HPC at academic rate

Discount or customize short courses, Discount symposium registration or license fees)

Train graduate students for prospective hiring.

- Diamond Member: The number of vote 1.5, Complementary consulting on commercial program usage
- Gold Member: The number of vote 1
- Silver Member: The number of vote 0.5

# Participants



- Agreed to join

Chevron (Chair), ConocoPhillips, DSME, HHI, SHI, NREL, KRISO

- More than 7 companies pending final statement, including BV and DNVGL
- More than 5 companies positively considering, including Glosten, Petronas
- Many others in review.



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