

Simulation-Assisted Design of the Security System for the Offshore Nuclear Plant

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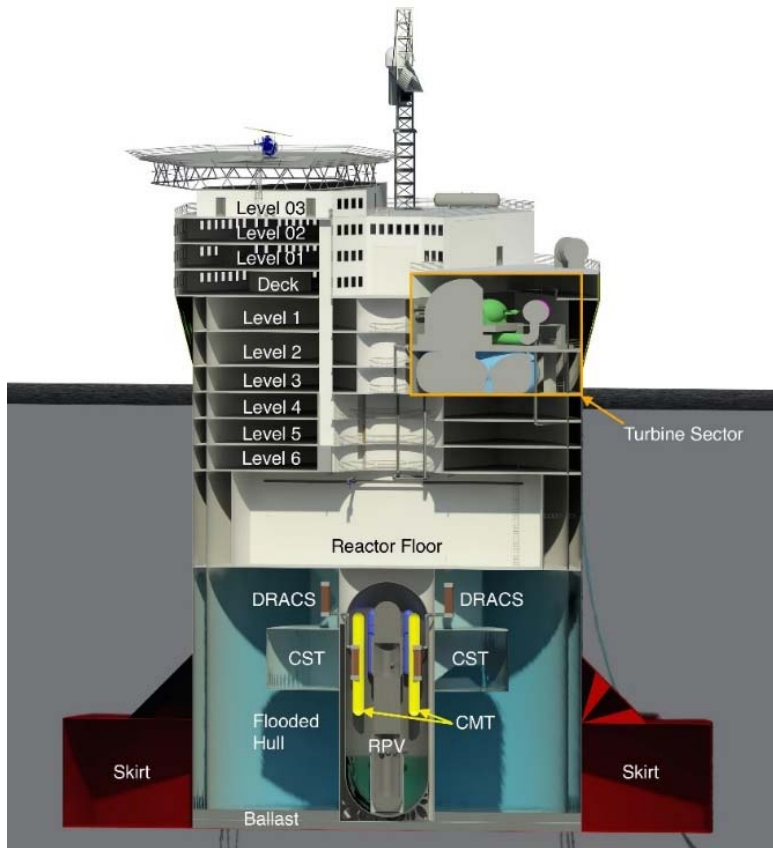
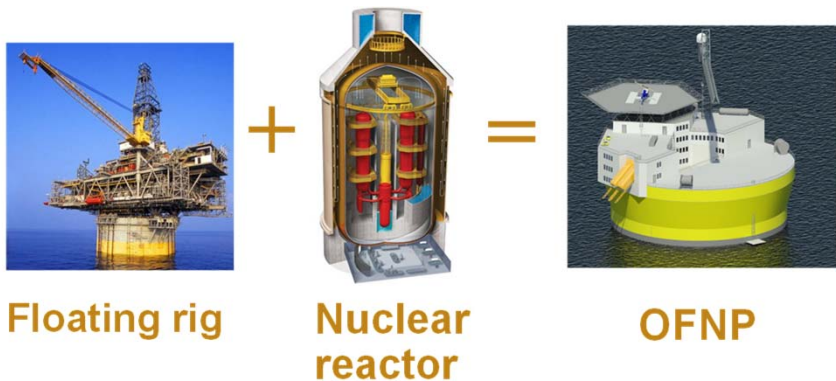


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The Offshore Nuclear Power plant (ONP)



- Entirely built and decommissioned in a shipyard: faster and cost-effective plant construction (<36 months)
- Reduced capital cost (>90% cut in reinforced concrete)
- Transported to the site, moored 5-12 miles offshore, in relatively deep water (~100 m): insensitive to earthquakes and tsunamis
- Submarine AC cable connects to grid
- Reactor could be large LWR (1100 MWe), SMR (300 MWe) or other design
- Nuclear island underwater: ocean heat sink ensures indefinite passive decay heat removal (no Fukushima scenario)

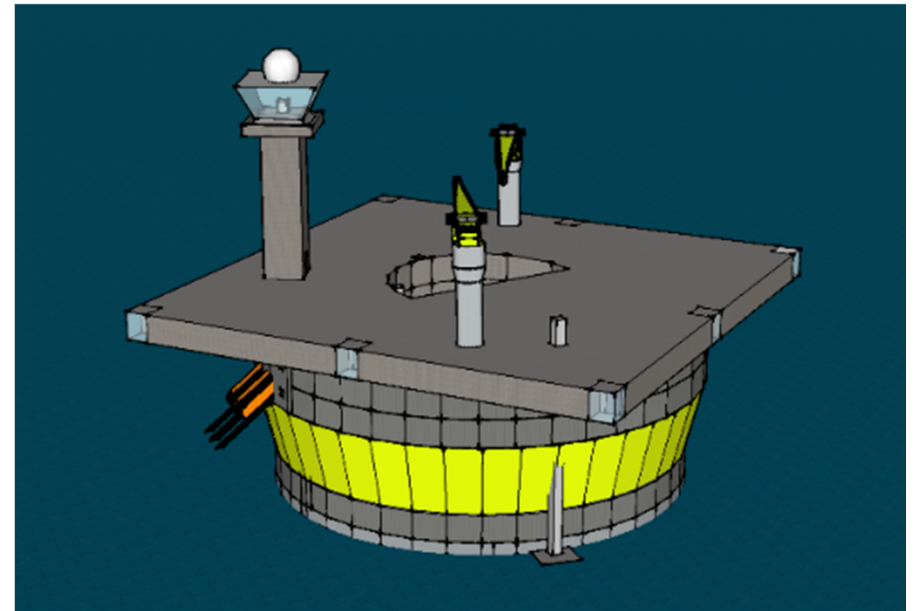
The Offshore Nuclear Plant (2)

Potential advantages:

- More affordable
- Easier to deploy
- More socially acceptable

Potential disadvantages:

- Isolated security
- Regulatory uncertainty



ONP-300

Violent Threats

Nature of the Threat	Response authority	
	Host Nation Military	ONP Security Team
Air	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Military aircraft• Commercial aircraft• Missile	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Drones• Light planes and helicopters
Surface	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Large tankers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Non-military boats
Subsurface	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Large submarines	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mini-sub (torpedoes)• Divers (explosives)



- Several Design Basis Threat (DBT) adversary groups were considered during simulations based on industry professional advice

Design Basis Threat

Problem: NRC Design Basis Threat (DBT) is classified

- How to accurately depict potential threats?

Solution:

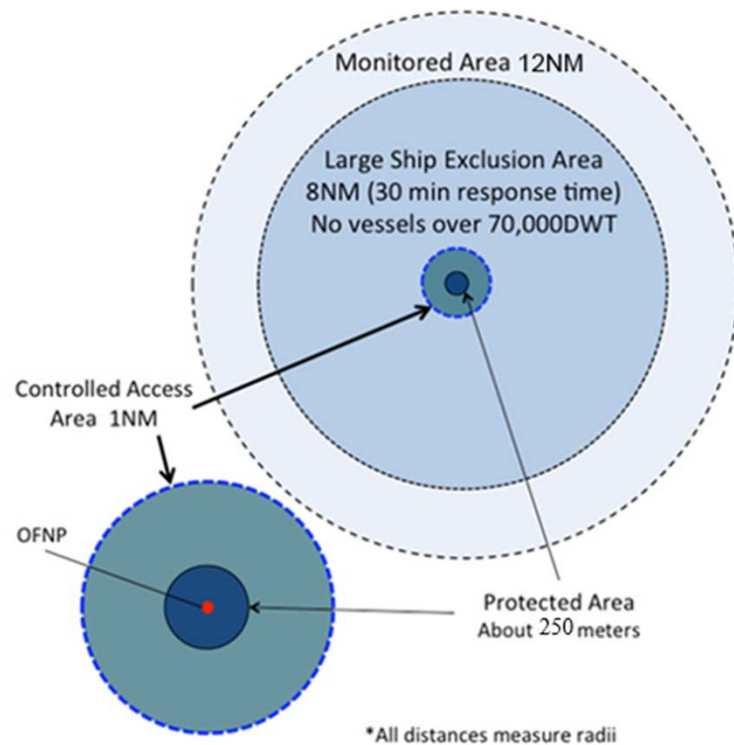
- Create four varying DBTs
- Full list of each DBT in [backup slides](#)

	Low Armament	High Armament
Low Skill	Pirates	Extremist Cult
High Skill	Experienced Terrorists	State-Sponsored Attack (Special Forces)*

*At the time of simulation, AVERT's underwater simulation abilities were very limited so there are no results for the State-Sponsored Attack

Security Plan

Multi-layered protection



Monitored Area:

- Electronic detection measures

Large Ship Exclusion Area

- 30 minutes to alter course of incoming ship

Controlled Access Area

- No unscreened access
- Sonar

Protected Area

- Physical barriers (booms, underwater netting)
- Blast radius (250 m)

Reactor platform and plant

- Restricted access

Security Officer Composition

Security Force		Security Positions	Officers Total
Platform Security Force	Platform Guards	5	26.5
	Platform Alarm Monitors	2	10.6
Shore Security Force	Shore Roving/ Monitors	4	21.2
	Shore Alarm Monitors	2	10.6
	Entry Control	3	15.9
	Response Team	2	10.6
Total		18	95.4

*Each Position: 5.3 personnel needed to maintain 24/7, 365 days a year

Platform Security Force

- 2 shifts on board at all times, working 12 hour shifts
- Monitor and maintain security

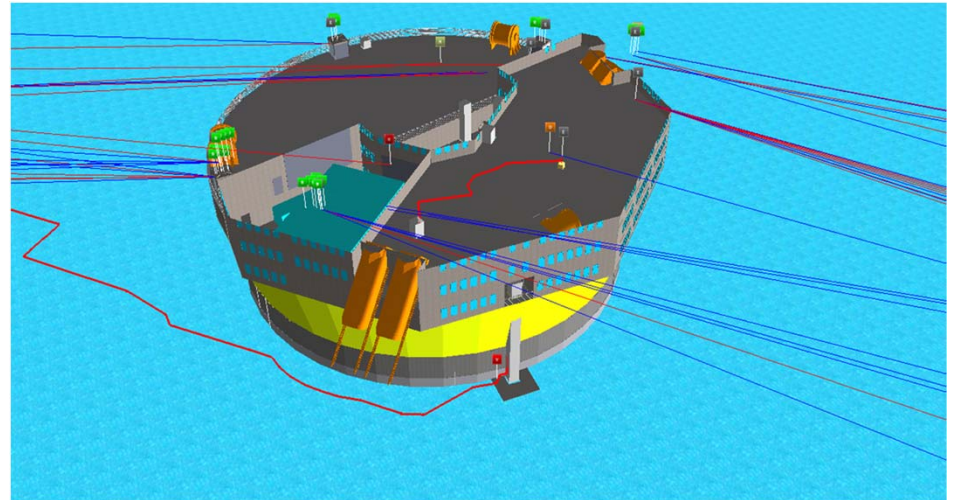
Shore Security Force

- Processes personnel
- Monitor shore alarm station

AVERT – Simulating Software

Overview:

- 3D-modeling, Monte-Carlo simulation software
- Lets the user input security cameras, guards, adversaries, and more.
- Over thousands of trials, determines probability of security system success
- In the backup slides:
 - [Simulation settings](#)
 - [Modeling assumptions](#)



Example AVERT Interface – ONP 1100 pictured with two incoming attack teams. Light blue lines indicate shot traces during this trial.

Design Basis Threat Results

- High security system success rate
- 1000 trials per simulation
 - 99.5% = 995/1000 times security stopped adversaries
- Adversaries “win” if they board the platform and stand at the center for 1 second – highly conservative

Success Rate	Day	Night	Stormy
Pirate	100.0%	100.0%	99.5%
Cult	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Terrorist	100.0%	100.0%	99.6%

Environmental Conditions (Day, Night, Stormy)

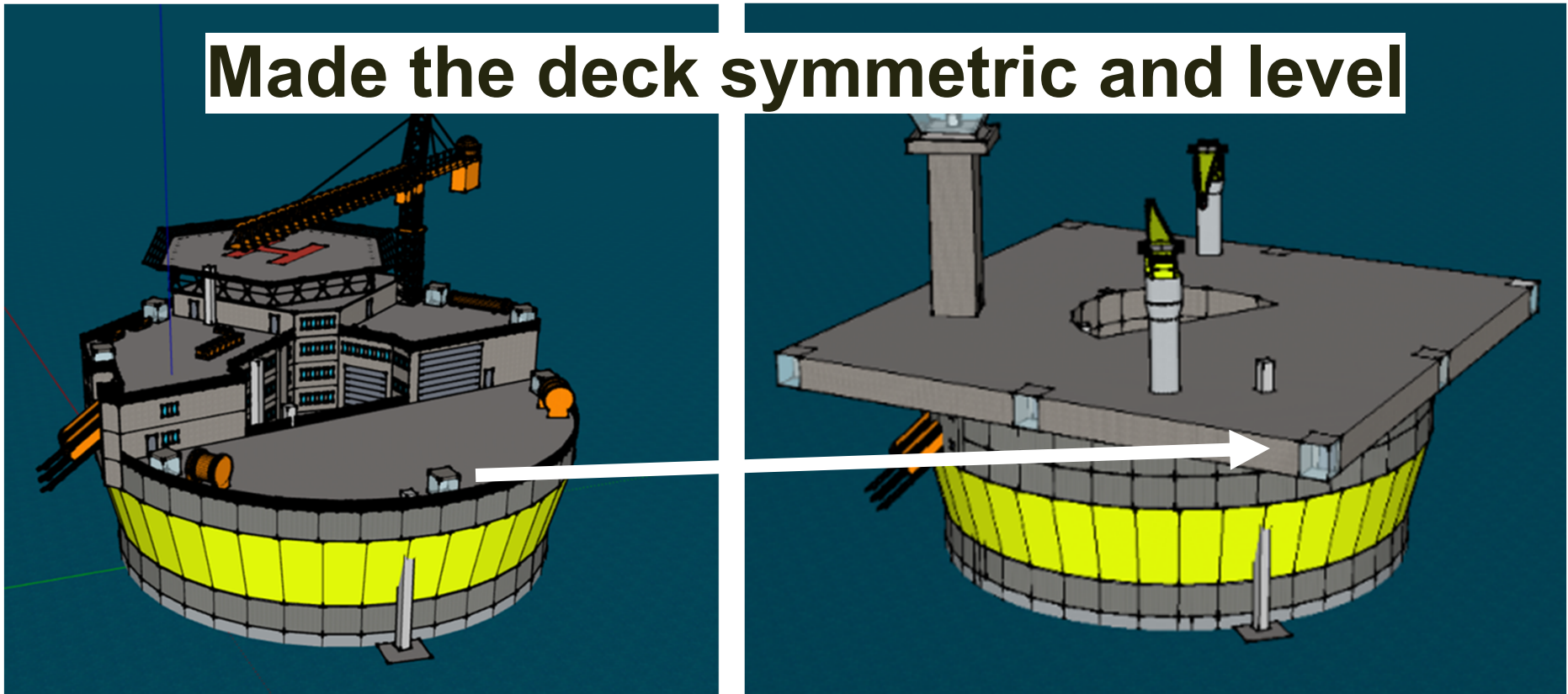
- Affects detection, accuracy, and more
- AVERT has default values for Day and Night
- Created Stormy environment
 - Same as night except lower chance of radar detection

Design Evolved Based on Simulation Results

Initial Design

Final Design

Made the deck symmetric and level



Embedded Defensive Positions in the deck

Sensitivity Analysis – Decreasing Guard Force

Success Rate	DAY	NIGHT	STORMY
2 S 8 MG	100.0%	100.0%	99.0%
2 S 7 MG	99.9%	100.0%	99.0%
2 S 6 MG	99.9%	99.9%	100.0%
2 S 4 MG	100.0%	100.0%	99.4%
1 S 8 MG	100.0%	100.0%	99.0%
1 S 7 MG	99.9%	99.9%	98.5%
1 S 6 MG	99.5%	99.8%	98.9%
1 S 4 MG	99.4%	99.8%	98.2%
0 S 8 MG	100.0%	99.9%	99.4%
0 S 7 MG	99.7%	99.8%	96.3%
0 S 6 MG	98.9%	99.6%	98.1%
0 S 4 MG	99.3%	99.1%	97.9%

- All simulations except these were done with 10 guards on the platform
 - NRC requires 10 guards minimum at terrestrial plants
- Because of these results, the number of on-duty guards was lowered to 5
 - There will be 10 onboard, but five will be sleeping/training/resting
 - They are expected to respond quickly during alarm

S: Snipers, MG: Machine Gunners

*Results against Pirate DBT with 1000 trails per simulation

Sensitivity Analysis – Increasing Adversary Force

Question: Are there cliff-edge effects in adversary size?

- NO!

Question: Is security heavily dependent on radar/early detection?

- Yes, very

Increasing Adversary Force

# of Adversaries	Day	Night	Stormy
10 - DBT	100.0%	100.0%	99.4%
15	100.0%	100.0%	99.3%
20	99.9%	100.0%	98.2%
25	100.0%	100.0%	98.2%
30	100.0%	100.0%	97.6%
35	100.0%	100.0%	97.9%

Increasing Adversary Force without Radar

# of Adversaries	Day	Night	Stormy
10 - DBT	79.1%	55.2%	63.5%
15	56.1%	56.8%	43.4%
20	28.4%	18.3%	25.9%
25	32.7%	16.5%	8.5%
30	14.2%	7.5%	2.6%
35	9.0%	4.8%	3.4%

5 adv. per attack boat: 35 adv. = 7 boats attacking from 7 directions

Sensitivity Analysis – Semi-Automatic Weapons

Platform Security Force

- Initially given 50 caliber machine guns (**Control**)
- Test **effect of changing weaponry** to 5.56mm Assault Rifle
 - No major change in performance
 - Tested with 10 person guard force however
 - Still recommend high-caliber machine guns

	Cult Attack		Pirate Attack		Terrorist Attack	
	50 Cal. MG	Assault Rifles	50 Cal. MG	Assault Rifles	50 Cal. MG	Assault Rifles
Day	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%
Night	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Stormy	100.0%	99.7%	99.5%	99.6%	99.6%	99.9%

Sensitivity Analysis – Insider Threats

Two types of insider threat

Lone Attacker

- One person sabotaging equipment
- Impossible to simulate in AVERT
- **Solutions include:**
 - Background checks
 - Hiring trustworthy individuals
 - Extensive access control
 - Defensive equipment such as bulletproof doors

Coordinated Strike

- Seaborn attack plus single insider
- Simulated a guard turning on others
 - **No significant drop in system performance**
- **Solutions include:**
 - Bulletproof defensive positions for guards prevent easy access to other guards

Conclusions

- The ONP 300 can be adequately defended with a five-officer guard force
- **Simulation and redesign early = reduced back fitting after building**
- A proven history of US naval ship security suggests effective security is possible

Recommendations

- **Redundant early detection and radar systems**
- Embedded bulletproof defensive positions in the deck

Future Work

- ONP-1100 simulations
- Simulations of underwater attacks
- Simulation of shore station security
- Investigation into drone deterrents
- Cyber security program

OFFSHORE FLOATING NUCLEAR PLANT

OFNP

A stylized atomic symbol logo consisting of three overlapping elliptical orbits in a light blue color, centered behind the acronym 'OFNP'.

AFFORDABLE - SAFE - FLEXIBLE NUCLEAR ENERGY

BACKUP SLIDES

Background

ONP-300

- 300 MWe reactor
- Based on Westinghouse SMR
- All simulations done with this reactor

ONP-1100

- 1100 MWe reactor
- Based on AP1000

DBT Matrix

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Adversary Armament and Skill Level	Low Armament	High Armament
Low Skill Level	<p>Pirate Attack (0.9x Skill)</p> <p>2 Speedboats w/ 50 cal. Mounted MG (5 men each)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 Riflemen (7.62mm AR) • 1 Rocketeer (66mm RPG-7 with 5 rounds, 7.62mm AR) 	<p>Cult Attack (0.9x Skill)</p> <p>2 Speedboats w/ 50 cal. Mounted MG (5 men each)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 Riflemen (7.62mm AR) • 1 Sniper (12.70mm SR) • 1 Machine Gunner (7.62mm MG)
High Skill Level	<p>Terrorist Attack (1x Skill)</p> <p>2 Speedboats w/ 50 cal. Mounted MG (5 men each)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Riflemen (7.62mm AR) • 1 Rocketeer (66mm RPG-7 with 5 rounds, 7.62mm AR) • 1 Sniper (10.4mm SR and 7.62mm AR) • 1 Machine Gunner (7.62mm MG) 	<p>State-Sponsored Attack (1.3x Skill)</p> <p>1 Speedboats w/ 50 cal. Mounted MG (5 men)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 Riflemen (5.56mm AR) • 1 Sniper (12.70mm SR, 66mm RPG-7 with 5 rounds) • 1 Machine Gunner (7.62mm MG) <p>1 Underwater Delivery Vehicle (5 Men, Closed Circuit Breathers)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 Riflemen (5.56 AR) • 1 Machine Gunner (7.62mm MG)

The skill level noted is how AVERT simulates varying skills. Someone with 2x skill is twice as likely to hit a target at the same distance as someone with 1x skill.

Nonviolent Threats

- Most likely attack scenario for the platform
- Plan:
 - Articulate ONP role in sustainable, green future
 - Proactive outreach and active monitoring of groups
 - Minimize media sensationalism during protests



Greenpeace breaking into a French nuclear plant

Simulation Settings

- All Tests: 1000 trials per simulation
- DBT Tests: 10 guards against all DBTs
- Increasing Adversary: 10 guards against pirate DBT
- Decreasing Guards: Varying guards against pirate DBT
- Semiauto Tests: 10 guards against all DBTs
- Coordinated Strike: 10 guards against pirate DBT and insider

AVERT Modeling Assumptions

Red - hurts security system, orange – helps/hurts both guards and adversaries

- No waves – boat motion unaffected
- No CCTV or sonar – detection came from radar or eyes/ears
- Guards cannot move – To give guards 50 cal. weapons in AVERT, it made them unable to move, thus preventing engagement with adversaries on the platform
- No Interior guards – off duty guards not simulated
- No protective barrier – would delay adversaries significantly
- Ladders not recessed – normally, adversaries could not simply climb the ladder to the platform
- No shore response – would help the onboard security team

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Insider Threat Results- General Turncoat

	Cult		Pirate		Terrorist	
	Control	Insider	Control	Insider	Control	Insider
Day	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Night	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Stormy	100.0%	100.0%	99.5%	100.0%	99.6%	100.0%

- Control: that DBT Results for that condition/DBT
- General Turncoat: not a guard
- Results: no significant lack of performance
- Guard Turncoat: Still no lack of performance

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Other marine nuclear power plants

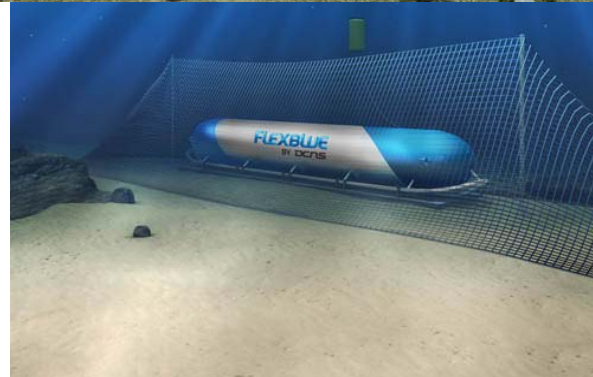
Akademik Lomonosov (Russia): two icebreaker reactors (52 MW_e each) mounted on a barge and docked on the coast



Length: 144 m; Beam: 30 m;
Draft: 5.6 m; Displacement:
21,500 tons; crew: 69

Other marine nuclear power plants (2)

Flexblue (France): small (160 MW_e) submarine-type reactor resting on the seabed, remotely operated



Moored down to 100 m depth;
Length: 140 m, Diameter: 14 m;
Displacement: 20,000 tons

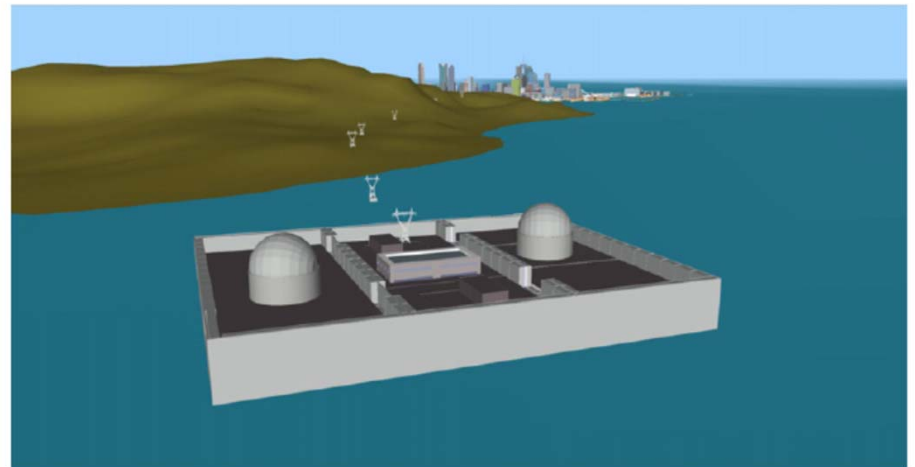
Other marine nuclear power plants (3)

Atlantic Generating Station (US, 1970s)



Large ($>1000 \text{ MW}_e$) terrestrial PWRs built on a barge and moored in shallow waters with a huge (uneconomical) breakwater

Offshore Nuclear Power Plant (South Korea)



Large terrestrial plant with two APR1400 reactors housed in concrete/steel structure resting on seabed (gravity platform), suitable only for shallow waters

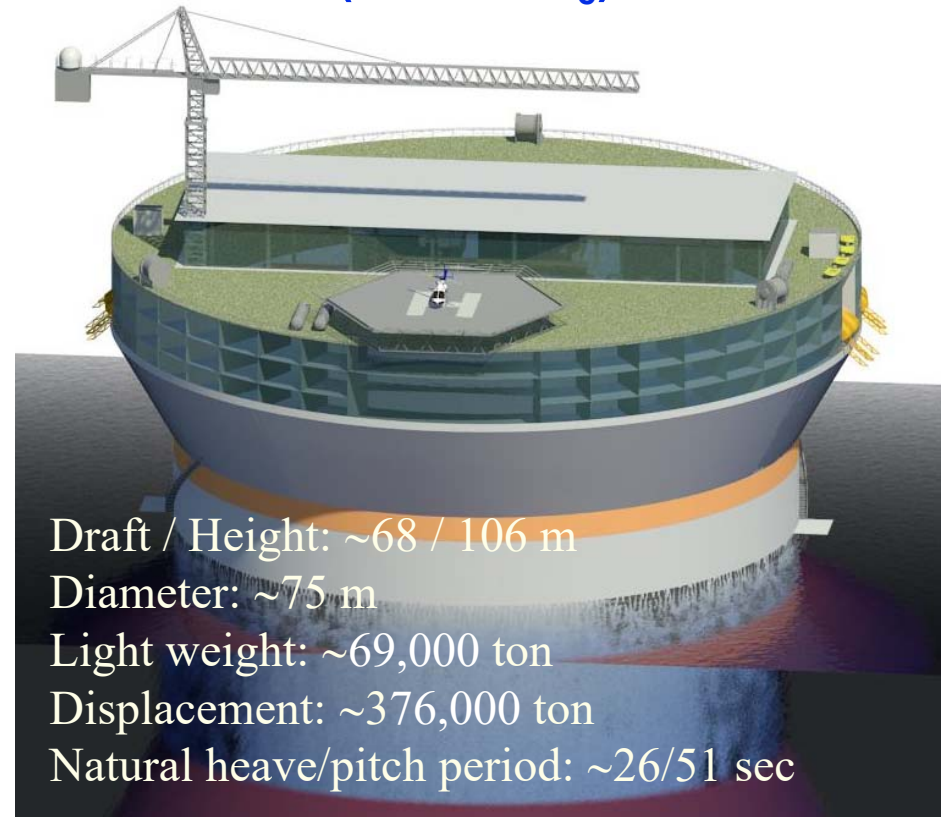
Design – Platform

Cylindrical, double-hull floating platform: simple, stable and cost-effective design

**OFNP-300
(300 MW_e)**



**OFNP-1100
(1100 MW_e)**

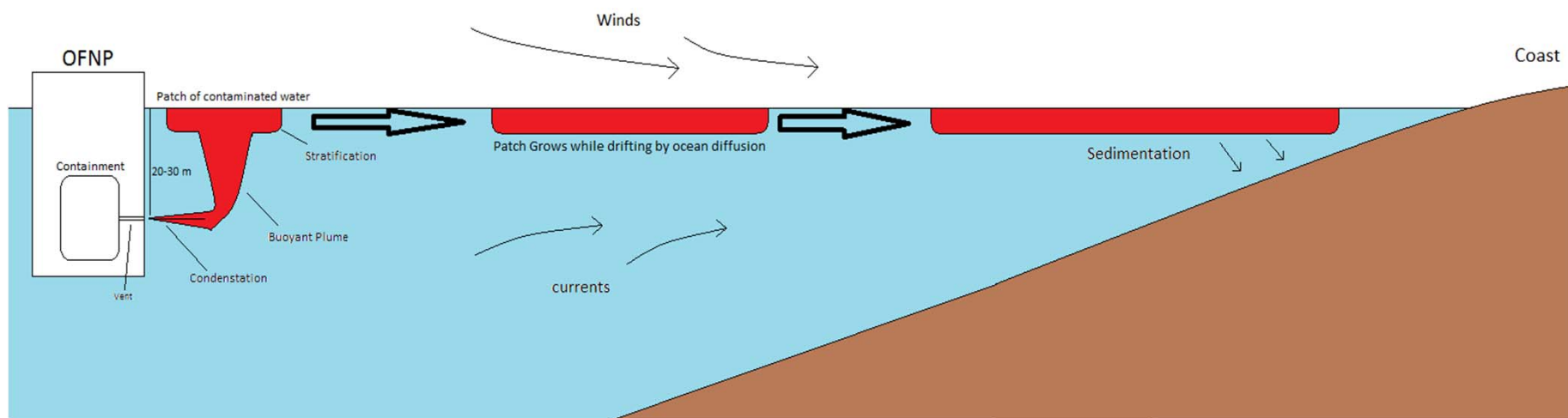


Natural period must be < tsunami wave period (plant rides tsunami) and > peak storm wave period (minimized oscillations in storms)

No Land Contamination following Hypothetical Containment Vent

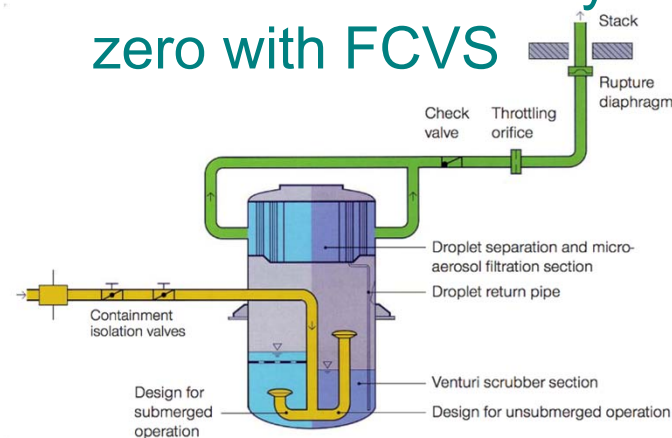
Transport of radioactive Cs and I following an unfiltered release

5-12 NM



Radionuclide (unfiltered event)	Dose rates to near-coast swimmers (NRC limit is 2 mrem/hr)
Cs-137	5E-07 mrem/hr
I-131	1E-02 mrem/hr
I-131 after 1 week	7E-3 mrem/hr
I-131 after 1 month	9E-4 mrem/hr

Can abate to essentially zero with FCVS



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