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## Abstract

Model tests are often conducted by researchers in a real or a numerical towing tank to calculate residuary resistance of a ship by the aid of Froude similarity. Common ITTC-1957 formula is usually employed to calculate frictional resistance. As computer technologies develop over time, CFD tools are used for calculating total resistance of a ship at full scale without establishing any dynamic similarities. In this paper, it is numerically implemented both Froude and Reynolds similarities at four different model scales by using virtual fluids. The total resistance at different Fr numbers calculated by the numerical study is validated against the experimental data of DTMB 5512 (L=3.048 m) model hull. The results show that establishing Froude and Reynolds similarities together in numerical simulation is possible in principle. To determine whether it has advantages for prediction of full-scale ship total resistance by employing this method, it is also examined the model scale with the same number of elements and Reynolds number of the full-scale ship. Results show that numerical calculation of total resistance for a full-scale ship in a model scale by defining virtual fluids has only slight advantages on the prediction of residuary resistance. Additionally, no advantage in the calculation of frictional resistance is observed.

**Keywords:** Total Resistance, Froude and Reynolds similarities, DTMB 5512, CFD

## 1. Introduction

Resistance characteristics of a newly built ship are generally estimated either by employing model tests in the towing tank or numerical calculations using different CFD (Computational Fluid Dynamics) methods. For friction resistance component, ITTC 1957 (ITTC, 2011) model-ship correlation formula is generally used. Several researchers have also continued developing skin friction correction formula which is recommended by ITTC (International Towing Tank Conference) i.e. Date and Turnock, (1999) studied on the derivation of skin friction correction formula by implementing comprehensive CFD work. In their study, a series of RANS (Reynolds-averaged Navier-Stokes) analyses with  $k-\epsilon$  turbulence model were performed for flat plates to predict the skin friction coefficient precisely.

In addition to this, the residual resistance component is calculated numerically or experimentally for a model scale based on only Froude similarity. Theoretically, total resistance coefficient can be directly obtained by satisfying both Froude and Reynolds similarities together in the model tests. However, as known, it is impossible to perform these similarities in nature all at once. Besides, conducting the full-scale experiments is rare due to increasing costs and lack of facility. Therefore, although numerically expensive, total resistance of a full-scale ship can be predicted extensively by using CFD tools without establishing any dynamic similarities. Having said that, element numbers increase remarkably within such large computational domain and results are often highly expensive solutions in terms of CPU time.

Numerous researches paid attention to predict the full-scale ship resistance characteristics through numerical tools. Tahara et al., (2002) studied on the viscous flow around the ship at a full-scale by RANS method. The main purpose of this study was to present the applicability of the RANS solver for viscous flow around full-scale ship and investigate appropriate physical model for ship resistance problem. Visonneau (2005) solved viscous flow around a full-scale ship using RANS approach. Resistance, wake field and propulsion performance of a full-scale ship were predicted. On contrary to popular belief, it was concluded that the solution of the flow around the ship at a full-scale was less complicated than a model scale due to the ability of CFD solvers. Schewighofer, (2005) investigated the flow around the Series 60 hull form at a model and full-scale by RANS with  $k-\epsilon$  turbulence model. Wave profile was also compared against a potential solver outputs and

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3 experimental data. Results showed that the free surface calculations of the turbulent flows  
4 around the simple geometries can be performed at a full-scale. Schweighofer et al., (2005) also  
5 investigated the effects of turbulence model on the wake field at full scale. In the study of Starke  
6 et al., (2006), the wave patterns and wake field of the several ships were compared with the  
7 experimental data. It was observed that the selected turbulence model is the dominant factor in  
8 the prediction of the wake field. Choi et al., (2011) investigated the scale effects on resistance  
9 and propulsion performance of a VLCC ship. Numerical analyses were conducted for full and  
10 model scales with double body approximation. Scale effects were examined for wake field, self-  
11 propulsion characteristics, streamline pattern, hull pressure. Marcu et al., (2012) calculated the  
12 model scale resistance by using both viscous and potential solver. While wave resistance  
13 component was derived from potential solver, frictional resistance component was obtained  
14 from viscous solver. Tezdogan et al., (2015) solved the flow around a full-scale KCS (Kriso  
15 Container Ship) ship using a viscous solver and calculated the total resistance coefficient. Authors  
16 found the total resistance of a ship slightly lower when compared with the model scale towing  
17 tank measurements. In their study, the residual component of total resistance was obtained by  
18 a viscous solver while ITTC 1957 correlation line (ITTC, 2011) was adopted to obtain the frictional  
19 component of total resistance due to increased  $y^+$  values. These values are significant parameter  
20 for the boundary layer dynamics in a full scale cases. Hänninen and Schweighofer, (2006) focused  
21 on the scale effects on the flow around a typical container ship. Results revealed that using the  $k$ -  
22  $\omega$  Shear Stress Transport turbulence model has more advantages particularly compare to other  
23 turbulence models for flow speed decrease due to adverse pressure gradient. Demirel et al.,  
24 (2017) solved the flow around a full-scale KCS ship using RANS approach. Roughness effects on  
25 the resistance and power requirement of the ship were investigated. It was observed that the  
26 wave resistance is affected significantly in the presence of the hull roughness. Liefvendahl and  
27 Fureby, (2017) investigated the grid resolution requirements for LES (Large Eddy Simulation). The  
28 estimated grid resolution was implemented for the ship model and full-scale hydrodynamic  
29 problems. The difference between the schemes (Near-wall resolved LES, Near-wall modeled LES  
30 and hybrid RANS-LES) was investigated in details. Farkas et al., (2018) made a comprehensive  
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3 numerically and experimentally. Total resistance, open water propeller performance and self-  
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6 characteristics. Jasak et al., (2018) compared sea trial measurements and full-scale numerical  
7 results for two different self-propelled ships. Numerical analyses were performed by OpenFOAM  
8 software. Lee et al., (2018) focused on calculation of the form factor for a full-scale ship.  
9 Numerical analyses were employed for a model and full scale by RANS approach. Results of this  
10 work showed that a practical method was proposed to calculate the form factor of a full-scale  
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20 All papers discussed above have some significant contribution to literature for resistance problem  
21 of a surface ship at full scale. As another alternative, rather than full scale ship resistance  
22 prediction, complete similarity (referred by the authors) is applied in a study by defining a virtual  
23 fluid and acceleration of gravity at model scale in a numerical study. Zhao et al., (2015) studied  
24 self-propulsion experiment of a ship model with energy saving devices based on this complete  
25 ship similarity model. Reynolds and Froude similarities were adopted for defining the virtual fluid  
26 and acceleration of gravity. Scale effects on the self-propulsion and wake field were investigated  
27 by applying on complete ship similarity model. This study claimed that scale effects are minimized  
28 by the above-mentioned technique and it can be applied for non-traditional ship forms as well.  
29 This study also suggested that a full-scale resistance can be predicted by complete ship similarity  
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41 As present literature indicates, the number of relevant works in similarity research is insufficient  
42 or unclear. Therefore, in this study, full similarity technique (so-called FST by the authors) is  
43 presented by applying both Froude and Reynolds conditions for a naval combatant. The novelty  
44 of this paper is to reveal the advantages and disadvantages of FST in the numerical calculations.  
45 Commercial CFD software Star-CCM+ was used to discretize RANS equations by implementing  
46 finite volume method. GCI (Grid Convergence Index) method was applied for verification  
47 procedure. First, FST was applied for four different model scales to investigate the total resistance  
48 characteristics for two different Froude numbers ( $Fr=0.41$  and  $Fr=0.28$ ) for the validation purpose.  
49 Both Froude and Reynolds similarities were applied by defining virtual fluids at the main hull's  
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( $L=3.048$  m) Reynolds numbers. While the calculated frictional resistance coefficients at this Reynolds numbers were compared with the ITTC 1957 formula (ITTC, 2011), total calculated resistance coefficients were compared with experimental results. Second, FST was applied for the model and full-scale ships to investigate total resistance characteristics at  $Fr=0.41$ . Both Froude and Reynolds similarities were satisfied by defining a virtual fluid at the full-scale ship's Reynolds number. This study has two main purposes. First purpose was to show whether setting  $Fr$  and  $Re$  similarities together is applicable theoretically. Second purpose was to investigate the functionality of the present method for numerical prediction of a full-scale ship resistance at the model scale dimensions by using virtual fluid.

This paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, geometrical properties of the main hull form are presented. In Section 3, mathematical method for the problem is presented in detail. In Section 4, CFD verification studies are given. The results of the study are discussed in Section 5 by using several graphs and tables. Finally, in Section 6, concluding remarks of the study are briefly summarized.

## 2. Ship Geometry and Cases

DTMB (David Taylor Model Basin) 5512 naval surface combatant was selected to verify FST. 3-D view of the ship and main particulars are given in Figure 1 and Table 1, respectively. Four different models were generated from the main hull ( $L_{pp}=3.048$  m) to investigate FST. The detailed information about these hull forms can be found in Section 3.5



Figure 1. 3D view of DTMB 5512.

Table 1. Main particulars of the DTMB 5512 full and other scales (Simman, 2014)

	$\lambda=46.588$ (Full Scale)	$\lambda= 2$	$\lambda= 1$ (Main Hull)	$\lambda= 0.5$	$\lambda= 0.2$
$L_{PP}$ (m)	142	6.096	3.048	1.524	0.609
$L_{WL}$ (m)	142.18	6.104	3.052	1.526	0.610
$T$ (m)	6.15	0.264	0.132	0.066	0.026
$S$ (m <sup>2</sup> )	2972.64	5.4784	1.3696	0.3424	0.0548
$\nabla$ (m <sup>3</sup> )	8424.4	0.6664	0.0833	0.0104	0.00066
$C_B$ (-)	0.507	0.507	0.507	0.507	0.507
$C_M$ (-)	0.821	0.821	0.821	0.821	0.821

In Table 1,  $L_{PP}$  denotes the length between perpendiculars,  $L_{WL}$  denotes the waterline length,  $T$  denotes the draught,  $S$  denotes the wetted surface area,  $\nabla$  denotes the displacement volume,  $C_B$  denotes the block coefficient and  $C_M$  denotes the mid ship section coefficient of the ship.

### 3. Numerical Modelling

#### 3.1 Governing Equations

Consider an incompressible flow in Cartesian coordinates. Averaged momentum and continuity equations are written in tensor form as follows:

$$\rho \left( \frac{\delta U_i}{\delta t} + U_j \frac{\delta U_i}{\delta x_j} \right) = - \frac{\delta P}{\delta x_i} + \frac{\delta \tau}{\delta x_j} - \frac{\delta (\overline{\rho u'_i u'_j})}{\delta x_j} \quad (1)$$

$$\left( \frac{\delta U_i}{\delta x_i} \right) = 0 \quad (2)$$

Where  $\overline{\rho u'_i u'_j}$  denotes the turbulence stress tensor,  $U$  denotes the mean velocity vector,  $u'$  denotes the fluctuating velocity vector,  $P$  denotes the mean pressure,  $\rho$  denotes the density and  $\mu$  denotes the dynamic viscosity of the fluid. Further explanations for k- $\epsilon$  turbulence model may be found in Wilcox, (2006).

Flow solver adopted in STAR-CCM+ uses a finite volume method which discretizes RANS equations for numerical model of fluid flow. Segregated flow model was used in the solver and convection terms in the equations were discretized by applying a second-order upwind scheme. RANS solver adopted a predictor-corrector SIMPLE-type algorithm between continuity and momentum equations. For unsteady terms, a first-order scheme was applied in momentum equations. A summarized list of the numerical discretization was tabulated in Table 2. In addition, the position

of free surface was tracked using Volume of Fluid (VOF) model. In this model, calculations were performed for water and air phases.

Table 2. Numerical Modelling Properties

Turbulence Model	k-ε
Convection Term	Second Order
Pressure Link	SIMPLE
VOF Wave	Second Order
Temporal Discretization	First Order
# iteration in each time step	7

The model experiments were conducted free to sinkage and trim (Lazauskas, 2009). Hence, DFBI (Dynamic Fluid Body Interaction) module in STAR CCM+ was used for the movement of the ship throughout the analyses. Two degree of freedom motion of the body was obtained by calculating the velocity and pressure field in the fluid domain.

### 3.2 Time Step Size Selection

Time step size was determined as stated by CFL (Courant-Friedrichs-Lewy) condition for explicit unsteady simulations. CFL (or Courant) number for each cell in the computational domain was calculated by  $CFL = U\Delta t/\Delta x$  and should be less than or equal to 1 for numerical stability. Here,  $U$  stands for the mesh flow speed,  $\Delta t$  stands for the time step size and  $\Delta x$  stands for the mesh cell dimension. However, implicit methods are generally used for unsteady simulations on relatively large solution domains. In unsteady implicit problems, the restriction imposed by the CFL condition is no longer a strict issue thus, decreasing the memory required in the computer. Besides, CFL number might change significantly in a large computation domain. In this paper, CFL number was targeted in the range of 5. For this purpose, we focused on the critical regions as in Courant number where  $\Delta x$  is relatively small and  $U$  is relatively larger. Therefore, we considered the adjacent cells to the ending of the boundary layer (Please see the Figure 2). To work with reasonable CFL numbers,  $\Delta t = \left(\frac{0.01}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \frac{L}{U}$  is taken which is lower than the one ITTC recommended (ITTC, 2011).



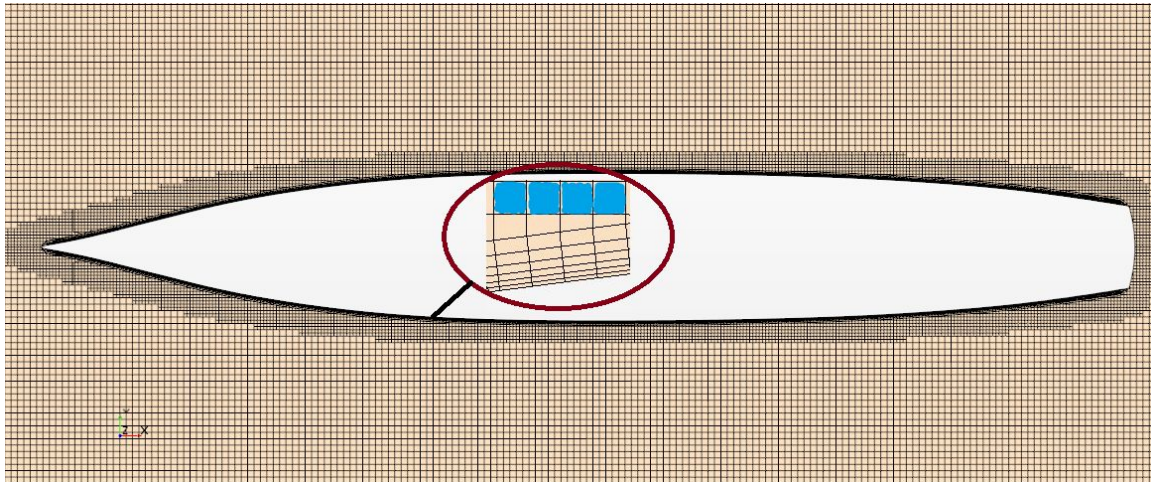


Figure 2. The cells for which CFL numbers calculated

### 3.3 Computational Domain and Boundaries

Given boundary and initial conditions must be suitable for all analytical and numerical solutions. These conditions must be defined compliant with the flow characteristics. In the present work, the computational domain was created to predict the resistance behavior of DTMB 5512 hull in deep water. Only half of the body was modelled to save computational time. Boundary conditions for the main hull are shown in Figure 3. It should be noted that the hulls with other scales are geometrically identical with the main hull.

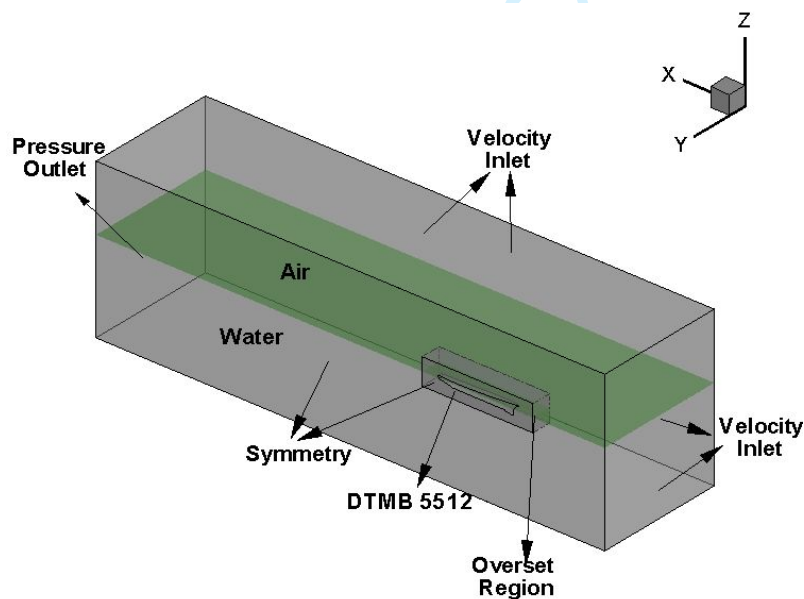


Figure 3. Computational Domain of the DTMB 5512.

Negative X side was defined as velocity inlet, positive X side was defined as pressure outlet. To avoid the boundary effects, negative Y side, positive Z (top) and negative Z (bottom) directions were considered as the velocity inlets. Ship boundaries were defined as no-slip walls where the normal and tangential velocities are zero. Hence, both kinematic boundary condition and no-slip condition were satisfied on the hull surfaces. The dimensions of the computational domain are also given in Table 3.

Table 3. Computational domain and overset dimensions

#	Computational Domain Dimensions (From the overset boundaries)	Overset Domain Dimensions (from hull)
Upstream	$0.9L_{PP}$	$0.26 L_{PP}$
Downstream	$4.2L_{PP}$	$0.21 L_{PP}$
Top	$0.7L_{PP}$	$0.16 L_{PP}$
Bottom	$1.075L_{PP}$	$0.16 L_{PP}$
Transverse	$1.75L_{PP}$	$0.34 L_{PP}$

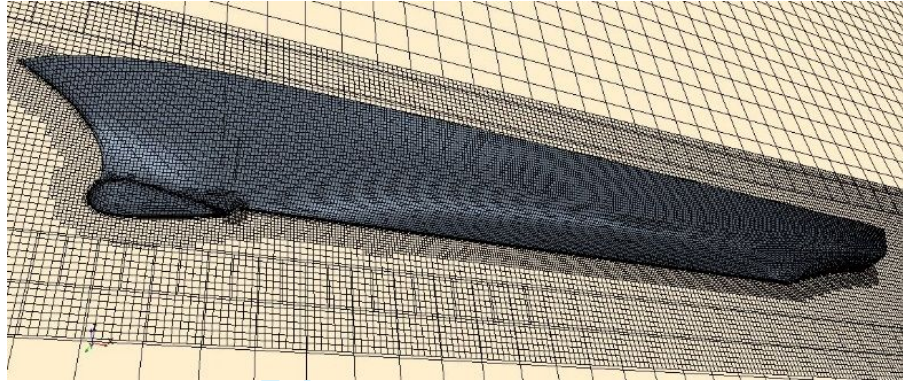
### 3.4 Mesh Configuration

Hexahedral elements were used to discretize the computational domain with FVM. Local grid refinements were employed around the hull and near the free surface. Overset grid technique, which has great capability to solve the flow around a moving body, was used for all simulations to represent the motion of the subject ship (sinkage and trim). Grid structure adopted in this study is given in Table 4. Detailed information for the use of overset grid techniques implemented in ship motion problems can be found in (Benek et al., 1986).

Table 4: Cell Numbers of Different Grid Qualities

	Coarse Grid	Medium Grid	Fine Grid
# of cells	$6.27 \times 10^5$	$1.445 \times 10^6$	$3.832 \times 10^6$

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3 Grid structure around the hull can clearly be seen from Figure 4. Two layer all wall  $y^+$  treatment  
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6 boundary layer of the hull to outer boundaries.  
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25 Refinement blocks were built near the ship's bow and stern regions to represent bow and stern  
26 waves. Bow and stern refinements are depicted in Figure 5. Due to the mesh resolution and  
27 element numbers that are important for capturing the free surface deformations, some  
28 refinements were also defined in neighboring free surface.  
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41 Figure 5: Mesh refinements around bow and stern regions.

### 42 43 3.5 Establishing Full Similarity of Ship Models

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45 Total resistance of a ship ( $R_T$ ) is composed of two components; namely  $R_F$  (frictional component)  
46 and  $R_R$  (residual component) are given as follows;  
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$$R_T = R_R + R_F \quad (3)$$

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$R_R$  can be regarded as the summation of the wave resistance ( $R_W$ ) and viscous pressure resistance ( $R_{VP}$ ) stems from the drag related to normal pressure while the  $R_F$  is caused by the shear stress upon the hull.  $R_R$  can be expressed as;

$$R_R = R_{VP} + R_W \quad (4)$$

Total resistance and related components are usually expressed in non-dimensional form by dividing each term to wetted surface area and dynamic pressure. According to dimensional analyses, total resistance coefficient ( $C_T$ ) can be considered as a function of both Froude number ( $Fr$ ) and Reynolds number ( $Re$ ).

$$C_T = C_R(Fn) + C_F(Re) \quad (5)$$

Here,  $C_R$  is the residuary resistance coefficient and  $C_F$  is the frictional resistance coefficient.  $C_F$  is calculated using ITTC 1957 formula (ITTC, 2011) as follows:

$$C_F = \frac{0.075}{(\log Re - 2)^2} \quad (6)$$

Besides, Reynolds and Froude numbers can be stated as follows:

$$Re = \frac{VL}{\nu} \quad (7)$$

$$Fr = \frac{V}{\sqrt{gL}} \quad (8)$$

Here,  $V$  is the ship velocity (m/s),  $L$  is the ship length (m),  $g$  is the acceleration of gravity ( $m/s^2$ ) and  $\nu$  is the kinematic viscosity of the fluid ( $m^2/s$ ).

According to FST, Froude and Reynolds similarities can be set in the following way:

$$Fr_s = Fr_m \rightarrow \frac{V_m}{\sqrt{g_m L_m}} = \frac{V_s}{\sqrt{g_s L_s}} \quad (9)$$

$$Rn_s = Rn_m \rightarrow \frac{V_m L_m}{\nu_m} = \frac{V_s L_s}{\nu_s} \quad (10)$$

Here, subscript m denotes the model ship and s denotes the full-scale ship. From the Froude similarity, relation between the forward speeds can be derived as shown below. Here,  $\lambda$  represents the scale ratio.

$$V_m = \frac{V_s}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \quad (11)$$

Thus, the relation between the kinematic viscosity of the model and full scale ship through the Reynolds (Re) similarity is derived as below:

$$\nu_m = \nu_s \lambda^{-\frac{3}{2}} \quad (12)$$

Another evaluation is performed for averaged wall  $y^+$  values which is the significant parameter on the friction resistance in numerical analyses. Wall  $y^+$  value can be given as follows:

$$y^+ = \frac{U^* \Delta x}{\nu} \quad (13)$$

Where  $U^*$  depicts the frictional velocity at the nearest cell (m/s),  $\Delta x$  depicts the distance to the nearest cell and wall (m),  $\nu$  depicts the kinematic viscosity ( $m^2/s$ ).  $U^*$  can be defined in terms of wall shear stress ( $\tau_w$ ) as given below:

$$U^* \approx \sqrt{\frac{\tau_w}{\rho}} \quad (14)$$

As known, wall shear stress ( $\tau_w$ ) is related to  $C_F$ :

$$C_F \approx \frac{\tau_w}{0.5\rho U^2} \quad (15)$$

where  $U$  is the free stream velocity (m/s) and  $\rho$  is the fluid density ( $kg/m^3$ ). Considering two different scale ships at the same Fr ( $Fr=0.41$ ), ( $\lambda=1$  and  $\lambda=46.588$ ),  $C_F$  for the model and full scale ( $C_{FM}$ ,  $C_{FS}$ ) can be written as follows:

$$C_{FM} \approx \frac{\tau_{wm}}{0.5\rho_m U_m^2} \quad (16)$$

$$C_{FS} \approx \frac{\tau_{ws}}{0.5\rho_s U_s^2} \quad (17)$$

This way  $U^*$  can be derived for model and full-scale ship:

$$U_s^* \approx \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} C_{FS} U_s^2} \quad (18)$$

$$U_M^* \approx \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} C_{FM} U_M^2} \quad (19)$$

Therefore, wall  $y^+$  values can be defined for model and full scale as follows:

$$y_s^+ = \frac{U_s^* \Delta x_s}{\nu_s} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} C_{FS}} \frac{U_s \Delta x_s}{\nu_s} \quad (20)$$

$$y_M^+ = \frac{U_M^* \Delta x_M}{\nu_M} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} C_{FM}} \frac{U_M \Delta x_M}{\nu_M} \quad (21)$$

If Froude and Reynolds similarities are satisfied together, relation between the model scale and full-scale wall  $y^+$  values can be obtained as shown below:

$$\frac{y_s^+}{y_M^+} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{2} C_{FS}} \frac{U_s \Delta x_s}{\nu_s}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{2} C_{FM}} \frac{U_M \Delta x_M}{\nu_M}} = 1 \quad (\text{Both } Re \text{ and } Fr \text{ similarity}) \quad (22)$$

This means that wall  $y^+$  is same for the model and full scale for same Re number. Therefore, it can be seen that there is no practical advantage of using virtual fluids in model dimensions on the prediction of friction component for same element number.

On the other hand, only if Froude similarity was satisfied, relation of wall  $y^+$  values can be written as follows;

$$\frac{y_S^+}{y_M^+} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{2} C_{FS}} \frac{U_S \Delta x_S}{V_S}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{2} C_{FM}} \frac{U_M \Delta x_M}{V_M}} = \sqrt{\frac{C_{FS}}{C_{FM}}} \lambda^{3/2} \text{ (Only Fr similarity)} \quad (23)$$

As shown in Eqn. 23, wall  $y^+$  values have extremely high values in the full-scale case.

### 3.5.1 Establishing Full Similarity at Model Scale Reynolds Number

As known, model experiments partly satisfy the similarity condition. However, both similarity models can be satisfied using the virtual fluid in numerical simulations. Therefore, total resistance of a ship was calculated for different model scales ships based on the model scale Reynolds number ( $\lambda=1$ ) to validate full similarity at two different Fr numbers (Fr=0.41 and Fr=0.28). The main particulars of the model ships and fluid particulars are listed in Table 5 and Table 6.

Table 5. Numerical conditions for full similarity ship model at Fr=0.41

$\lambda$	0.2	0.5	1 (Main Hull)	2
$L_{WL}$ (m)	0.6104	1.526	3.052	6.104
$V$ (m/s)	1.0026	1.5852	2.2419	3.1705
$S$	0.0548	0.3424	1.3696	5.4784
$\rho$ (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	997.5	997.5	997.5	997.5
$\vartheta$ (m <sup>2</sup> /s)	8.273E-08	3.270E-07	9.250E-06	2.616E-06
Re	7397058.162	7397058.162	7397058.162	7397058.162

Table 6. Numerical conditions for full similarity ship model at Fr=0.28

$\lambda$	0.2	0.5	1 (Main Hull)	2
$L_{WL}$ (m)	0.6104	1.526	3.052	6.104
$V$ (m/s)	0.6852	1.0834	1.5321	2.1667
$S$	0.0548	0.3424	1.3696	5.4784
$\rho$ (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	997.5	997.5	997.5	997.5
$\vartheta$ (m <sup>2</sup> /s)	8.273E-08	3.270E-07	9.250E-06	2.616E-06
Re	5055101.84	5055101.84	5055101.84	5055101.84

### 3.5.2 Establishing Full Similarity at Full Scale Reynolds Number

FST was implemented for full scale and model scale using Reynolds number of full-scale ship at Fr=0.41. The fluid particulars, main features of the model and full-scale ships are given in Table 7.

Table 7. Numerical conditions for model and full scale ships at Fr=0.41.

$\lambda$	1 (Main Hull)	46.588 (Full-scale)
$L_{WL}$ (m)	3.052	142.18

V (m/s)	2.2419	15.29
S	1.3696	2972.64
$\rho$ (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	997.5	997.5
$\vartheta$ (m <sup>2</sup> /s)	2.917E-09	9.250E-06
Fr	0.41	0.41
Re	2345516340.3	2345516340.3

#### 4. CFD Verification Study

In Grid Convergence Method (GCI) based on Richardson, (1911) extrapolation was applied for verification procedure. This method was offered by Roache, (1998) and has been applied with some modifications in numerous studies. The methodology described by Celik et al., (2008) was implemented for the verification of grid resolution. The grid spacing was refined systematically. Refinement factor ( $r$ ) was selected as  $2^{1/2}$  as frequently adopted in CFD applications.

Three solutions were considered in this manner. The procedure implemented in the present study is described as follows (Celik et al., 2008):

The difference between the solution scalars ( $\varepsilon$ ) should be determined by Eqn. (24)

$$\varepsilon_{21} = \varphi_2 - \varphi_1 \quad \varepsilon_{32} = \varphi_3 - \varphi_2 \quad (24)$$

In these equations,  $\varphi_1$ ,  $\varphi_2$  and  $\varphi_3$  refer to the solution of fine, medium and coarse mesh grid.

Convergence conditions of the numerical study can be calculated by Eqn. (25),

$$R = \frac{\varepsilon_{21}}{\varepsilon_{32}} \quad (25)$$

The possible R values and possibilities are listed below: Stern et al., (2006)

- (a)  $-1 < R < 0$       Oscillatory convergence
- (b)  $0 < R < 1$       Monotonic convergence
- (c)  $R < -1$       Oscillatory divergence
- (d)  $R > 1$       Monotonic divergence



If the values for convergence condition is like case b, the procedure can be implemented. However, in case a, often more than three solutions are needed and the uncertainty ( $U_k$ ) should be calculated as follows (Stern et al., 2001 and De Luca et al., 2016):

$$U_k = \frac{1}{2} |S_U - S_L| \quad (26)$$

In Equation 26,  $S_U$  and  $S_L$  are the maximum and minimum values of oscillation, respectively. If the convergence condition is like case (c) or (d), it is not possible to predict the uncertainty Stern et al., 2001 and De Luca et al., 2016 ).

The apparent order of p can be found by Equation (27); Celik et al., (2008)

$$p = \frac{\ln \left\| \frac{\varepsilon_{32}}{\varepsilon_{21}} + q \right\|}{\ln(r_{21})} \quad (27)$$

Here,

$$q = \ln \left( \frac{r_{21} - s}{r_{32} - s} \right) \quad (28)$$

$$s = \operatorname{sgn} \left( \frac{\varepsilon_{32}}{\varepsilon_{21}} \right) \quad (29)$$

The extrapolated value is:

$$\varphi_{ext}^{21} = (r^p \varphi_1 - \varphi_2) / (r^p - 1) \quad (30)$$

The approximate relative error and extrapolated relative error are:

$$e_a^{21} = \left| \frac{\varphi_1 - \varphi_2}{\varphi_1} \right| \quad e_{ext}^{21} = \left| \frac{\varphi_{ext}^{12} - \varphi_1}{\varphi_{ext}^{12}} \right| \quad (31)$$

Finally, the GCI index is calculated by:

$$GCI_{fine}^{21} = \frac{1.25 e_a^{21}}{r_{21}^p - 1} \quad (32)$$

The total resistance coefficient at  $Fr=0.41$  is selected for numerical uncertainties. The results of the verification study are given in Table 8.

Table 8: Numerical Uncertainty for  $C_T$  at  $Fr=0.41$

	Grid Convergence
$\varphi_1$	0.007069
$\varphi_2$	0.006984
$\varphi_3$	0.007167
R	-0.464
$\%GCI_{MEDIUM}$	1.32%

As it is understood from Table 8, the convergence condition is between -1 and 0 (oscillatory convergence). Thus, the uncertainty of grid spacing is calculated by Equation (26) and the percentage of uncertainty is derived by simply dividing this result ( $U_k$ ) by the medium grid solution  $\varphi_2$ . Here, the difference of medium and fine mesh results was observed relatively low. Therefore, medium mesh was selected the rest of the analyses as a consequence of decreasing computational cost.

## 5. Results and Discussion

This section presents the numerical results and discussions on total resistance of the DTMB 5512 in calm and deep water with figures and tables. The time intervals in all analyses were taken

identical according to Froude similarity, i.e.  $t_2 = t_{0.2} \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_{0.2}}}$ . Plus, the signal averaging was performed when the convergence of the data was achieved as seen from Figure 6.

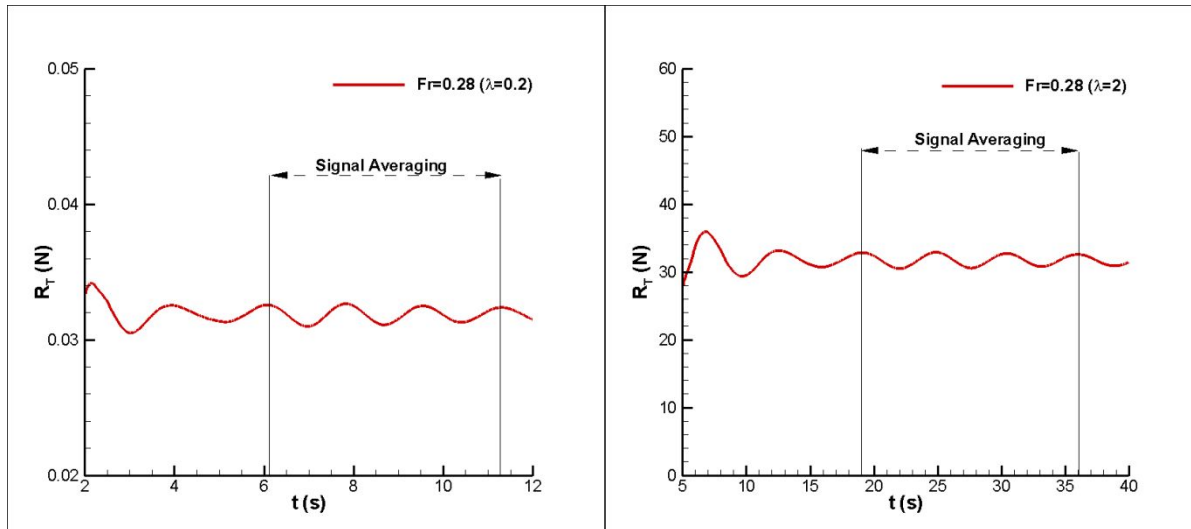


Figure 6. Time averaging of  $R_T$  signal  $\lambda=0.2$  and  $\lambda=2$  at  $Fr=0.28$ .

Before discussing the observations of different scales, numerical results of different Froude numbers ( $Fr=0.28$  and  $Fr=0.41$ ) were validated by using experimental results as seen in Table 9. It is to be noted that experimental results are given diagrammatically for wide range of Froude numbers in the reference study of Lazauskas, 2009. The desired experimental results for two Froude numbers were obtained by using data digitizer software. The difference between numerical and experimental study was approximately 3% at Froude number of 0.41 while it was 5% at Froude number of 0.28.

Table 9. Comparison of calculated total resistance coefficients (Lazauskas, 2009)

$\lambda=1$ ( $L=3.052$ m)			
Fr	$C_{T(EXP)}$	$C_{T(CFD)}$	% Relative Difference
0.28	0.004648	0.004878	4.95%
0.41	0.006800	0.006985	2.72%

### 5.1 Numerical Results for Model Scale Reynolds Number

After validation study, different model scale ships were used to investigate FST. Calculations associated with the resistance components at different scales (see Section 2) were performed and results were compared.

As seen from Figure 7,  $C_F$  values at different scales were independent of the scale ratio due to satisfied FST. Interestingly, results revealed that  $C_F$  values calculated by ITTC has slight discrepancy when  $Fr=0.41$  cases were examined. However, differences were smaller at  $Fr=0.28$  as expected due to certain forward speed limitations on ITTC 1957 formula (Date and Turnock, (1999)). It should be noted that average  $\gamma^+$  values on the hull surfaces for different scales are reported between around 30 and 60.

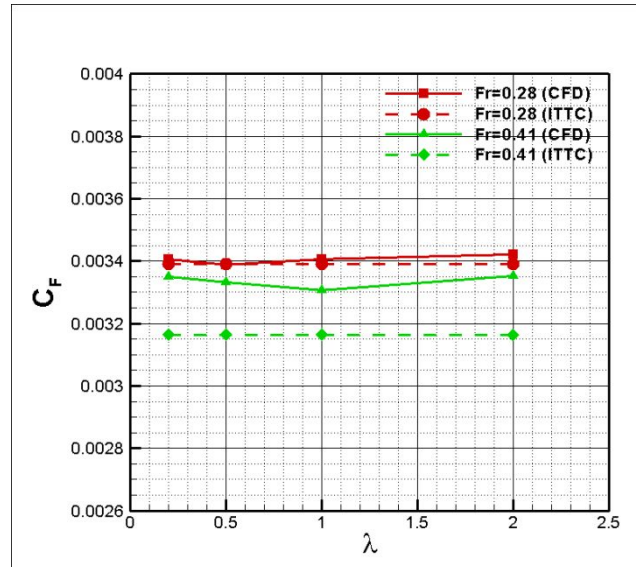


Figure 7. The comparison of  $C_F$  at different scales and Fr numbers.

As it is clearly seen from Figure 8,  $C_R$  values at different scales were approximately same for  $Fr=0.28$  and  $Fr=0.41$  separately. As noted earlier,  $C_R$  was a function of Froude number and these values are expected to be constant at a fixed Fr.

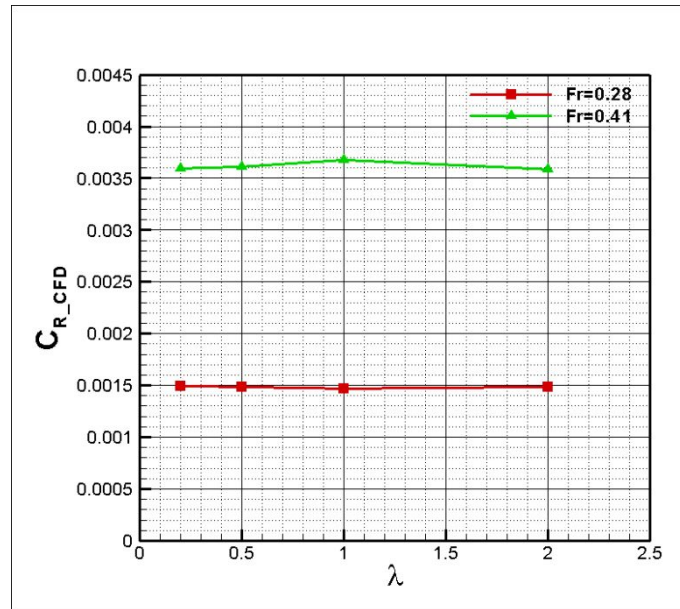


Figure 8. The comparison of  $C_R$  at different scales and Fr numbers.

As extracted from Figure 9,  $C_T$  values were same for different scale ratios due to FST and establishing Fr-Rn similarities was possible by creating a virtual fluid.

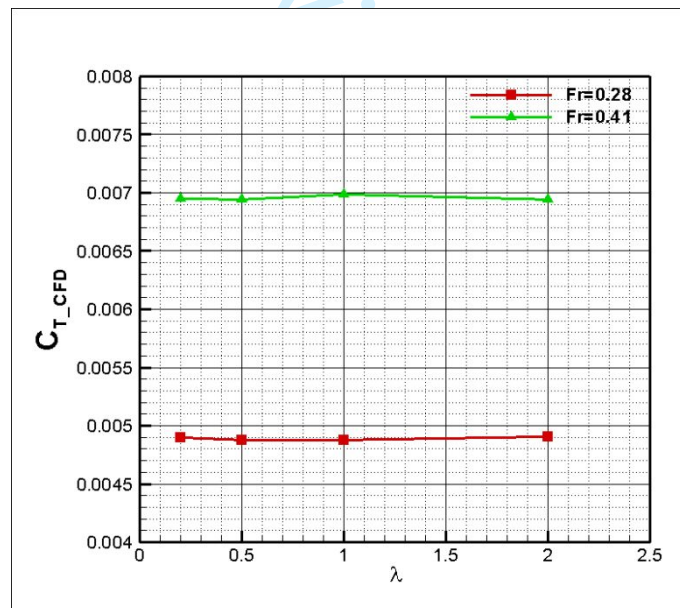


Figure 9. The comparison of  $C_T$  at different scales and Fr numbers.

As can be seen in Figure 10 and Figure 11, free surface elevations are only the function of Froude number and these elevations change with the scale ratio. The free surface elevations are only given for  $\lambda=0.2$  and  $\lambda=2$ . It should be noted that free surface elevations were captured in a same

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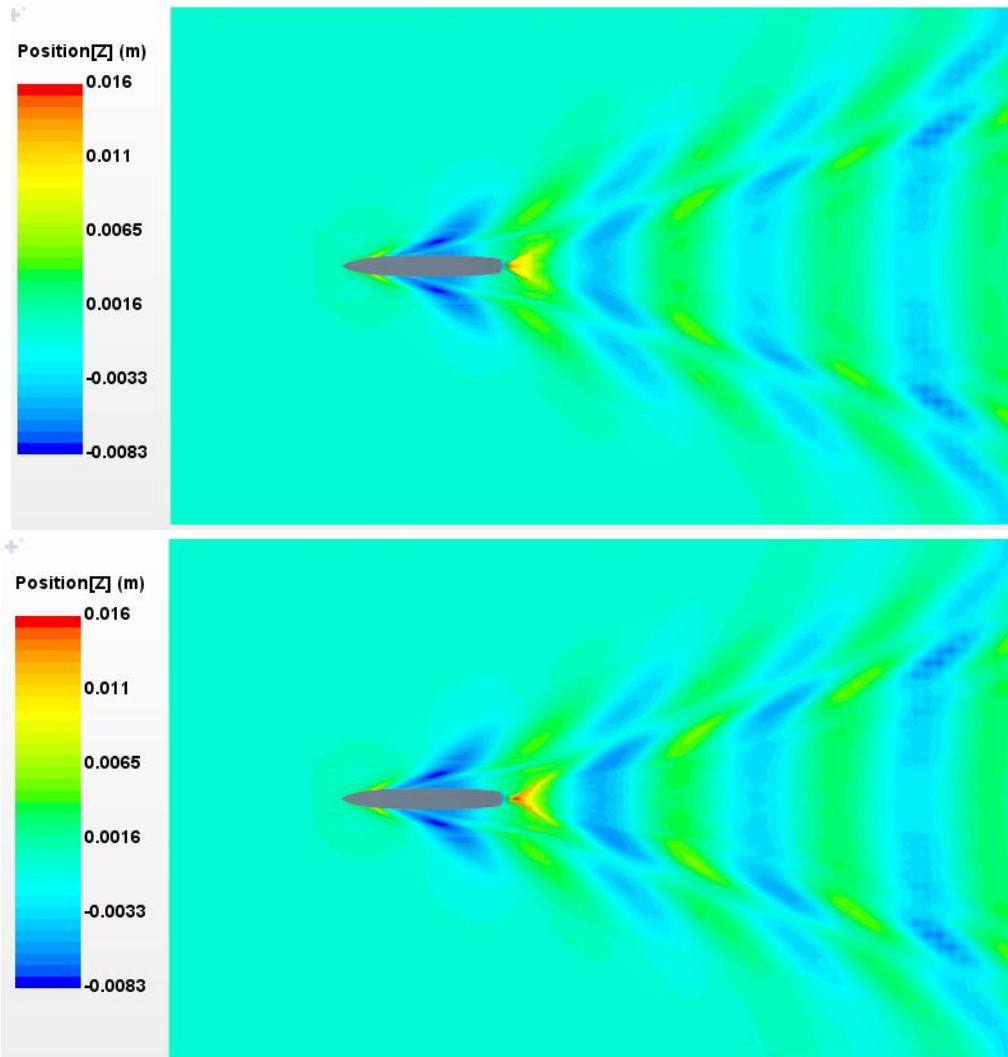


Figure 10. Comparison of free surface deformation between real (above) and virtual (below) fluids at  $\lambda=0.2$ .

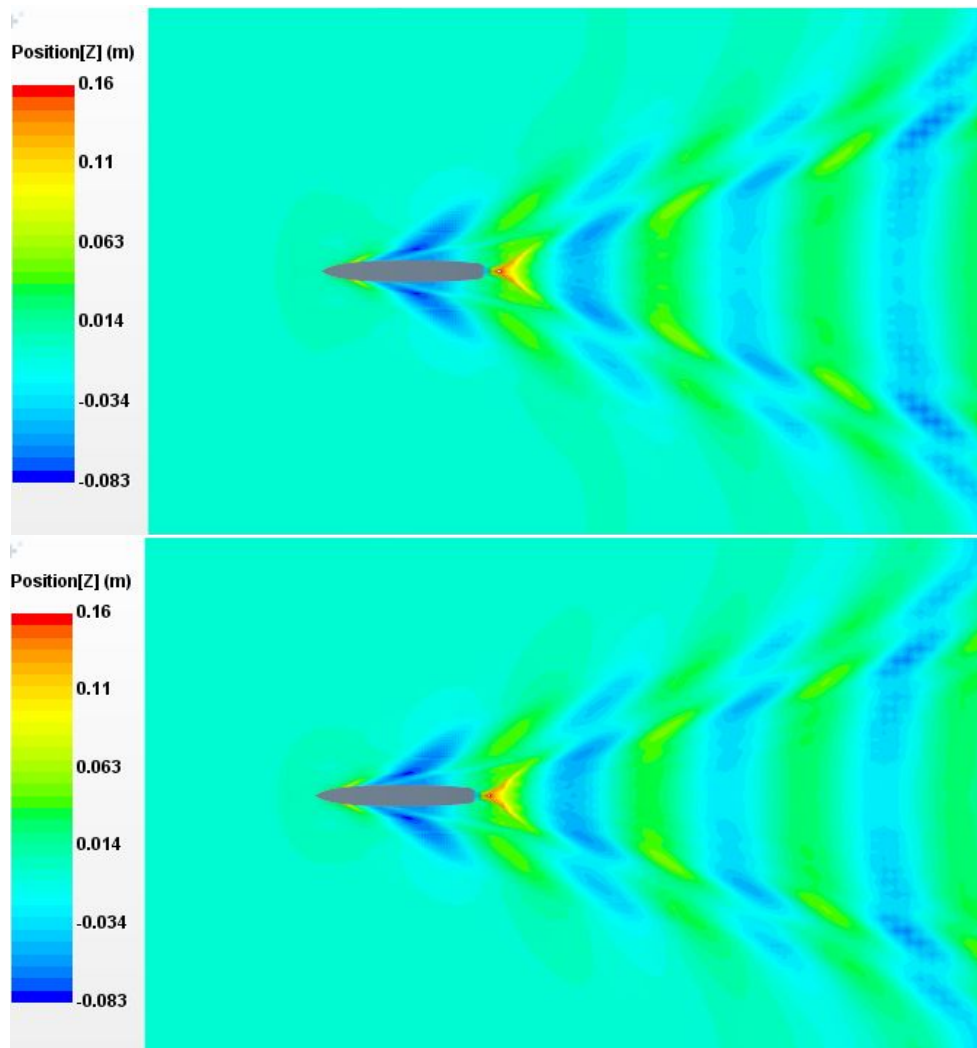


Figure 11. Comparison of free surface deformation between real (above) and virtual (below) fluids at  $\lambda=2$ .

## 5.2 Numerical Results for Full-Scale Reynolds Number

In this section, first, the results of numerical solutions at  $Fr=0.41$  associated with full scale  $Re$  are given. Resistance components for the full-scale ship ( $\lambda=46.588$ ) were calculated using different element numbers starting from 1.5 M to 9.5 M. The main reason to reach such high element numbers is to predict  $C_F$  value with a high level of accuracy in comparison with ITTC formula. The numerical results are given in Table 10. As seen in Table 10, numerical  $C_F$  values approach to ITTC 1957 formula due to increasing element numbers i.e. decreasing wall  $y^+$  values. In other words, an increase in wall  $y^+$  value deteriorates the calculation of  $C_F$  in full-scale resistance prediction due to low resolution of the boundary layer grid.  $C_R$  values of full-scale ship at different grid sizes reach up to the value of model scale ship as number of elements increase.

Table 10. Numerical results for the full scale ship ( $Fr=0.41$ )

Element Count	1.5 M	3.5M	9.5M
$C_F$ (CFD)	0.001558	0.001507	0.001443
$C_F$ (ITTC)	0.001381		
% Dif. $C_F$ (CFD) and $C_F$ (ITTC)	12.82%	9.12%	4.49%
$y^+$ values	6000	2000	1500
$C_R$ (CFD)	0.003773	0.003646	0.003520
$C_R$ (CFD, at model scale)	0.003535		
% Dif. $C_R$ (CFD) and $C_R$ (CFD, at model scale)	6.78%	3.20%	0.38%

As a second step, a comparison study was made to investigate the functionality of FST on the prediction of full-scale ship's  $C_T$  at model scale dimension ( $\lambda=1$ ). As clearly proved in Section 3.5, averaged  $y^+$  values on the hull surface do not change since Reynolds numbers remains constant. On the other hand, accurate prediction of  $C_F$  directly depends on  $y^+$  values. Generally, extremely high Re numbers are observed in a full-scale case referring extremely high  $y^+$  values unless sufficient number of elements are used. To make fair comparison, element number was taken same as 1.5M in full and model scale computational domains as it is seen from Table 11.

Table 11. Comparison of numerical results for the full and model scale ship for 1.5 M element number ( $Fr=0.41$ )

	$\lambda=1$	$\lambda=46.588$
$C_F$ (CFD)	0.001557	0.001558
$C_F$ (ITTC)	0.001381	
$C_R$ (CFD)	0.003683	0.003773
$C_R$ (CFD, model scale)	0.003636	
% Dif. $C_R$ (CFD) and $C_R$ (CFD, model scale)	1.29%	3.77%

As can be seen in Table 11,  $C_F$  values are same for both full-scale and model scale ships due to Reynolds similarity. FST only provides a slight contribution on the  $C_R$  value due to decreased cell size dimensions on the free surface for the model scale at the same element count. On the other hand, free surface deformations for full-scale and model scale using FST are also given in Figure 12. As expected, wave elevations change with scale ratio due to Froude similarity.



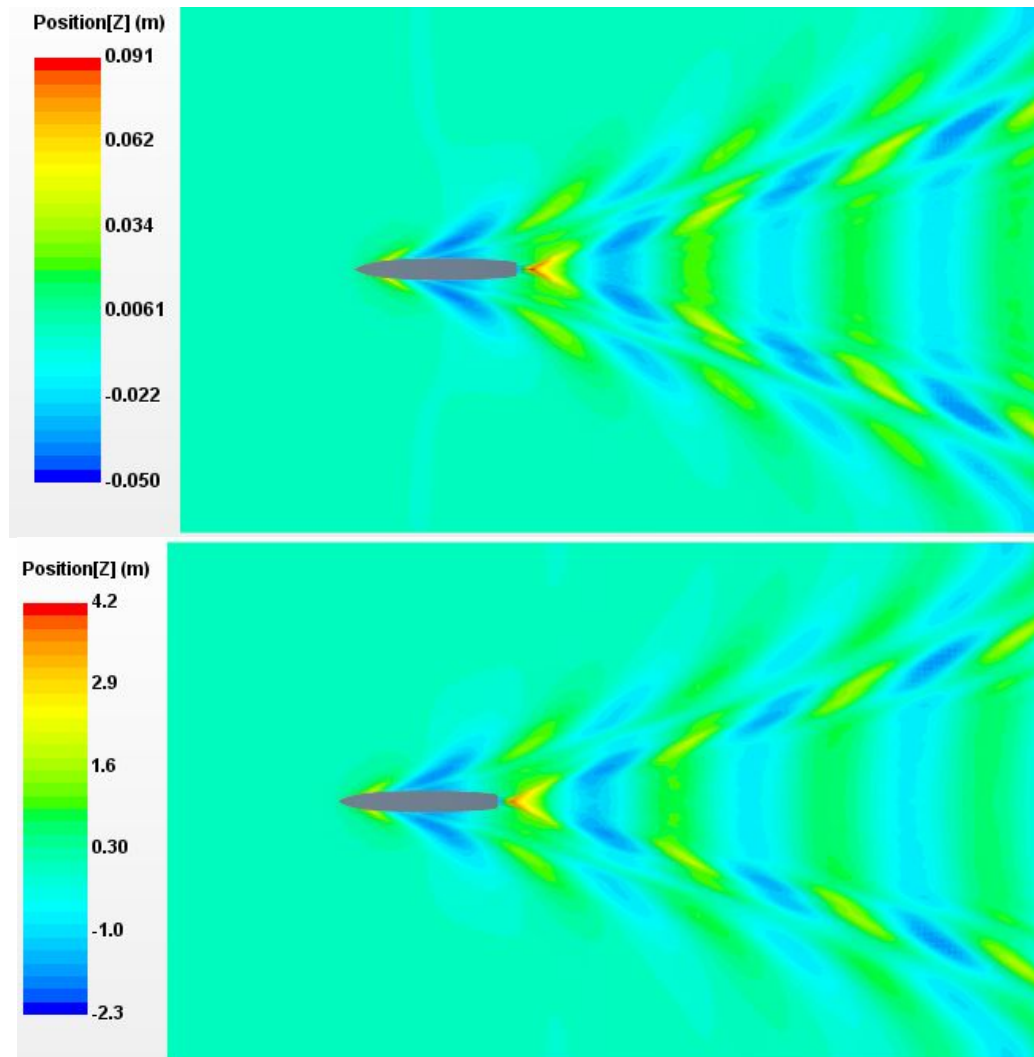


Figure 12. Comparison of free surface deformation between virtual fluid (below,  $\lambda=1$ ) and real fluid (above,  $\lambda=46.588$ ) at  $Fr=0.41$

## 6. Conclusion

In this paper, flow around several DTMB 5512 model and full-scale ship was solved using RANS with  $k-\epsilon$  turbulence model. Verification study was applied by GCI method which is recommended in ITTC procedure for CFD verification. The numerical results were compared with the experimental results for total resistance. Then, FST was implemented for four different model scales to investigate the total resistance characteristics at two different Froude numbers ( $Fr=0.41$  and  $Fr=0.28$ ) for validation purpose. The results show that establishing Froude and Reynolds similarities together was possible without losing any accuracy of total resistance coefficient at the model scale Reynolds number. To examine the functionality of FST for the prediction of full-scale

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3 ship resistance in a model scale dimensions, this technique was employed for full and model scale  
4 ships at the full-scale Reynolds number. According to the inference from this study, same high  
5 element numbers should be adopted to represent high Reynolds numbers at full and model scale  
6 due to increased wall  $y^+$  values. However, such a similarity might yield less grid number  
7 requirement in the model scale computational domain since calculation of residual resistance  
8 components as truncation errors were lower compared to the computational domain for a full-  
9 scale case. Therefore, by defining virtual fluids, applying Froude and Reynolds similarities  
10 together in the numerical calculations is possible and such application has only slight advantages  
11 for the prediction of residual resistance.  
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