EUROTOP OVERTOPPING GUIDANCE APPLIED IN A TOOL WITH LARGE VARIETY OF COASTAL PROTECTIONS AT ILE DE RÉ

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REX Xynthia Failures (breaches) Flooded area Elevation (m NGF) 0 0.5 1 1.5 km CASAGEC Ingénierie Sources : SCAN 25 IGN (R)

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CURRENT SITUATION :

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MANY STRUCTURES ARE VULNERABLE REGARDING WAVE OVERTOPPING OR WATER OVERFLOWING :

- → NECESSITY TO MONITOR FREQUENTLY OLD STRUCTURES AFTER STORMS
- → NECESSITY TO PRIORITIZE MAINTENANCE ON THIS LONG STRETCHES OF HETEROGENEOUS COASTAL PROTECTIONS





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TOOL DESCRIPTION

NECESSITY TO HAVE ON EACH STRUCTURE:

- WATER LEVEL
- WAVE CHARACTERISTICS

TO MAKE DECISIONS EASIER, A SHORT LIST OF SCENARIOS IS DEFINED TO CREATE CHARTS FOR EACH STRUCTURE REGARDING OFFSHORE CONDITIONS





TOOL BASED ON DEFINED CHARTS REGARDING OFFSHORE CONDITIONS

- 1. OFFSHORE WAVES CHARACTERISTICS
- 2. WATER LEVEL ELEVATION
- 3. JOINT PROBABILITY ON WAVE AND WATER LEVEL TO DEFINE A FINITE NUMBER OF SCENARIOS WITH AN EQUIVALENT RETURN PERIOD
- 4. <u>90 scenarios were simulated with an</u> <u>HYDRODYNAMIC MODEL</u> COUPLED TO A SPECTRAL WAVE MODEL (TELEMAC 2D / TOMAWAC)
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WAVE OVERTOPPING EVALUATION

- CREST FREEBOARD VERIFICATION (OVERFLOW)
- EUROTOP (2016) MANUAL ON WAVE OVERTOPPING
- EVALUATION METHOD FOR EACH TYPE OF STRUCTURE:



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Yes

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Xynthia conditions:

- H_s = 1,3 m
- Average slope: 1H/1V
- R_c: (7-4) 3 m

Sensitivity on formula choice:

- Eq 5.13 (general formulation
 Assessment approach) q= 30 l/s/m
- Eq 5,16 (embankment with shallow foreshore) q = 15 l/s/m

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Xynthia conditions:

- H_s = 1,1 m
- Average slope: 2H/1V
- R_c: (5,5-4,2) 1,3 m
- Friction: γ_f = 0,7-1

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Sensitivity on formula choice:

- Eq 6.6 (Armoured slope no shallow foreshore) q= 50 l/s/m
- Eq 5,16 (embankment with shallow foreshore) q = 40 l/s/m



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TOLERABLE OVERTOPPING DISCHARGE :

- BIBLIOGRAPHY
- XYNTHIA FEEDBACK :

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- Overtopping estimation with Xynthia storm Protection failure analysis regarding structure
- Assumptions on breach or failure initiation parameters









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No overtopping

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Rare overtoppin Q < 0,1 l/s/m Overtopping Q < 10 l/s/m Important overtopping Q > 50 l/s/m

Local overflow

Overflow

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UNCERTAINTIES ESTIMATION

Forecast model comparison with observations (winter storms in early 2018) :

- Bias of 9 cm for water level (closest tide gauge)
- Bias of 39 cm for wave height (closest wave buoys)
- → Consideration of threshold to detect scenario with offshore conditions (10 cm for water level and 1 m for wave height Hs)



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WINTER STORM - EARLY 2018

TOOL EVALUATION ON THE LAST WINTER :

- 3 IMPORTANT STORMS DURING 2018 WINTER
- WATER LEVEL > 3.4 M
- WAVE HEIGHT > 6 M

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WINTER STORM - EARLY 2018

Tool evaluation

- 3 important storms
- 2 scenarios detected :
 - 3rd of January 2018 4am : SWL=3,37 m NGF and H_s =4,68 m (scenario 2)
 - 4th of January 2018 5am : SWL = 3,31 m, NGF et H_s =5,03 m (scenario 5).







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WINTER STORM - EARLY 2018

Area	Photo	Observation	forecast
Trousse-Chemise (profile16)		Weak overtopping	Weak overtopping (<0,1 l/s/m)
Maladrerie (profile103)		No overtopping observation	Pas de franchissements prévus
Pas des Huitres (profiles 60-61)		High water marks on crest (seaweed)	No overtopping
Martray (profile 116)	No photography available	Weak overtopping	Weak overtopping (<0,1 l/s/m)



CONCLUSIONS

CONCLUSIONS ON CURRENT TOOL :

- TOOL EASY TO USE, BASED ON CHARTS
- ALLOW A QUIK EVALUATION OF OVERTOPPING RISKS ON THE WHOLE ISLAND
- POSSIBLE TO USE WITH GLOBAL FORECAST MODEL
- CALIBRATED ON RECENT OBSERVATIONS

FUTURE WORKS :

- IMPROVEMENTS WITH OTHER OBSERVATIONS (WITH STRONGER STORMS)
- POSSIBILITY TO INCREASE NUMBER OF SCENARIOS
- POSSIBILITY TO USE IT ON A LONG TERM ANALYSIS



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