

# Part I: Theory of LoFT

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## Part II: Community Tools for Floating Wind Turbines

LoFT (**L**ow-**O**rderr modelling of floating wind turbines **F**or **T**raining) draws on the work of other open-source repositories. Below we give a list of them and collect their links and key features. Hope that this list will help beginners and developers.

Table1. A list of open-source repositories for beginners in the area of floating wind turbines

| Repository(link)                   | Key features   | Main Purpose | Developers          |
|------------------------------------|--|--------------|---------------------|
| <a href="#">OpenFast/Fast.Farm</a> | Individual turbine or wind-farm model (with a limited number of wind turbines) written in Fortran; can simulate steady or turbulent inflow, regular or irregular waves; and conduct structural/fatigue analysis. The resulted are validated by scaled experiments. | Model        | NREL                |
| <a href="#">WEC-Sim</a>            | Wave Energy Converter Simulator (WEC-Sim), an open-source code for simulating wave energy converters. The code implementations for hydrodynamics and mooring dynamics are similar and helpful for modelling of floating wind turbines.                             | Model        | NREL                |
| <a href="#">RAFT</a>               | RAFT - Response Amplitudes of Floating Turbines, python codes for frequency-domain analysis of floating wind turbines. It presents a design-oriented modelling of floating wind turbines   | Design       | NREL                |
| <a href="#">WISDEM</a>             | The Wind-Plant Integrated System Design and Engineering Model (WISDEM) is a set of models for assessing overall wind plant cost of energy (COE). Helpful for design and economic assessment of floating wind turbines  | Design       | NREL                |
| <a href="#">ROSCO</a>              | Reference open-source controller that can be used in OpenFAST; when compiled, produces a libdiscon.so controller that uses a   | Control      | CU Boulder<br>/NREL |

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|                             | specified DISCON.IN file. The controller for floating wind turbines features floating feedback, peak saturation and detuned natural frequency.  |         |              |
| <a href="#">Floris</a>      | FLORIS is a controls-focused wind farm simulation software incorporating steady-state engineering wake models into a performance-focused Python framework.  | Control | NREL         |
| <a href="#">MoorPy</a>      | MoorPy is a design-oriented mooring system library for Python based around a quasi-static modeling approach.  | Design  | NREL         |
| <a href="#">HydroChrono</a> | HydroChrono is an emerging hydrodynamics simulation tool designed to model complex ocean systems. Seamlessly integrated with the Project Chrono physics engine, it offers a powerful C++ API for a wide range of simulations. | Model   | NREL         |
| QBlade                      | Built on the Project Chrono physics engine.   | Model   |              |
| MOST (link1, link2)         | Modelling floating turbines based on Simscape multibody.  | Model   | MOREnergyLab |
| <a href="#">TurboPark</a>   | TurbOPark is a parametric wake model developed by Ørsted and was validated on 19 offshore wind farms coupled with a blockage and a flow model.  | Model   | DTU          |
| <a href="#">LoFT</a>        | Low-order modelling of floating wind turbines for reinforcement learning training.  | Control | XJTU         |

## Part III: Open-source Data Base for Floating Wind Turbines

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