# SAEED NAJAFI

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### ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, IRANIAN NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF OCEANOGRAPHY

### **EDUCATION**

### SEPTEMBER 2017

**PHD,** NAVAL ARCHITECTURAL ENGINEERING, SHARIF UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY Developing a numerical method based on nonlinear boundary integral equations including free wake sheet alignment for unsteady flow simulation around deformable geometries

### FEBRUARY 2010

**MSC,** NAVAL ARCHITECTURAL ENGINEERING, SHARIF UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY Numerical simulation of multiphase free surface flows with Navier-Stokes equations and volume of fluid (VOF) method over unstructured grids for modelling of floating body motions

### SEPTEMBER 2005

**BSC,** NAVAL ARCHITECTURAL ENGINEERING, SHARIF UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY Experimental investigation of the effect of pontoons transverse distance in wave making resistance of a SWATH Vessel

# **INTERESTS**

- Computational Fluid Dynamics
- Marine Hydrodynamics and Propulsion
- Underwater Acoustics
- Wave Energy Converters

# **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### 2016 - 2018

**R&D EXPERT,** ASIA CLASSIFICATION SOCIETY (ACS)

- Development of Rules, Regulations and Class Survey Procedures
- Consultancy to Naval Architectures and Marine Engineers
- Research on Innovative Technologies in Marine Industries

#### 2007 - 2016

### ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, MARINE INDUSTRIAL ORGANISATION

- Shaft Alignment Calculation including Whirling and Torsional Vibrations
- Design and Execution of a Hydraulic Pitch Feedback Mechanism for CP Propeller
- Marine Propeller Design and Analysis (Hydrodynamics and Structural)
- Matching of Engine with Propeller

#### 2005 - 2007

### ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, SADRA SHIPBUILDING CO., NEKA SHIPYARD

- Detail Design Process of three AHTS and AMIRKABIR Semi-Submersible Drilling Unit
- Mooring procedure plan for AMIRKABIR Semi-Submersible Drilling Unit
- Produce Inclining Test Procedure

# ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

### 2020 – NOW

### ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, IRANIAN NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF OCEANOGRAPHY

- Technical Manager and DPA of Persian Gulf Explorer Research Vessel
- Head of Liaison with Industry Division

### 2018 - 2020

### PART TIME LECTURER, ISLAMIC AZAD UNIVERSITY

- Computational Fluid Dynamics
- Thermodynamics
- Mechanics of Fluids
- Design of Machine Components
- Automatic Control
- Engineering Dynamics

### 2008 - 2012

### **RESEARCH ASSISTANT,** MARINE ENGINEERING LABORATORY, SHARIF UNIVERSITY

- Test of Propellers in Cavitation Tunnel and Generate Performance Curves
- Calibration of Dynamometer of Cavitation Tunnel and Towing Tank Carriage
- CFD with OpenFOAM and Star-CCM+ to evaluate Propeller and Vessel Performance
- Design, manufacturing and towing test of small-scale models
- Experimental investigation of the effect of pontoons transverse distance in wave making resistance of a SWATH Vessel
- Developing a software for design and analysis of propeller and turbine using combined boundary element and lifting surface methods
- Estimation of natural frequencies of rotary equipment using smart phone accelerometer sensor via developing an Android application and embedded FFT analysis

### PUBLICATIONS

- Najafi, S., Pourmostafa, M., Liu, P.F., "Coupling of RANS and BEM solvers for simulation of propeller behind the hull in full appended model", 2024, China Ocean Eng., 38(3):424–438
- S. Najafi, M. Pourmostafa, "Investigating the Performance of Twin Marine Propellers in Different Ship Wake Fields Using an Unsteady Viscous and Inviscid Solver", Journal of Marine Science and Application 21 (2), 92-105
- Saeed Najafi, Behrouz Abtahi, "Numerical simulation of aquatic animals locomotion using unsteady panel method", Ocean Engineering 244 (2022): 110380
- Abbaspour, Madjid, and Saeed Najafi. "Developing three dimensional potential solver for investigation of propulsion performance of rigid and flexible oscillating foils." Ocean Engineering 147 (2018): 121-31.
- Ghadimi, Parviz, Abbas Dashtimanesh, Mohammad Farsi, and Saeed Najafi. "Investigation of free surface flow generated by a planing flat plate using smoothed particle hydrodynamics method and FLOW3D simulations." Proceedings of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers, Part M: Journal of Engineering for the Maritime Environment 227, no. 2 (2013): 125-35.
- Ghadimi, Parviz, Mehdi Pourmostafa, and Saeed Najafi. "Investigating the Response Amplitude Operator of a Heaving Pontoon under the Influence of a Submerged Trapezoidal Breakwater." Advances in Civil Engineering 2020 (2020).
- Najafi, Saeed, and Madjid Abbaspoor. "Numerical investigation of flow pattern and hydrodynamic forces of submerged marine propellers using unsteady boundary element method." Proceedings of

the Institution of Mechanical Engineers, Part M: Journal of Engineering for the Maritime Environment 233, no. 1 (2019): 67-79.

- Najafi, Saeed, and Madjid Abbaspour. "Numerical study of propulsion performance in swimming fish using boundary element method." Journal of the Brazilian Society of Mechanical Sciences and Engineering 39, no. 2 (2017): 443-55.
- Najafi, Saeed, and Pengfei Liu. "Propulsion Performance of Spanwise Flexible Wing Using Unsteady Panel Method." Journal of Ocean University of China 19 (2020): 505-18.
- Rostamani, M, S Najafi, E Amini, and M Gorji. "Numerical study of turbulent forced convection flow of Al2O3 nano-fluid in the tube considering variable properties." Journal of hydrodynamics, Ser. B 37, no. 10 (2013): 1426-31.
- Tavakoli, Sasan, Saeed Najafi, Ebrahim Amini, and Abbas Dashtimanesh. "Performance of high-speed planing hulls accelerating from rest under the action of a surface piercing propeller and an outboard engine." Applied Ocean Research 77 (2018): 45-60.
- Tavakoli, Sasan, Saeed Najafi, Ebrahim Amini, and Abbas Dashtimansh. "Ship acceleration motion under the action of a propulsion system: a combined empirical method for simulation and optimisation." Journal of Marine Engineering & Technology (2020): 1-16.
- Computational fluid dynamics using Flow3D<sup>™</sup>, Saeed Najafi, Andisheh Sara Publications, 2013, ISBN 978-600-5716-81-8

# HONORS

- Software Patent, *PANEL3D®*, hydrodynamic forces generated by fish like body locomotion, Iran High Council of Informatics, 2017
- 1<sup>st</sup> Rank in National Remote Control Boat Competitions, RCBC2008

# CERTIFICATES

- Industrial Automation with PLC S7 Simatic, Elementary and Advanced, MFT, June 2024
- OpenFOAM training course, Iranian society of mechanical engineers, Oct. 2012
- ANSYS CFX, Iranian society of mechanical engineers, Nov 2012
- Marine Shaft Alignment, vibration analysis and practical course, May 2014

# LANGUAGE

- Persian: Native
- English: Mid-range based on TOEFL IBT 84 (2016)