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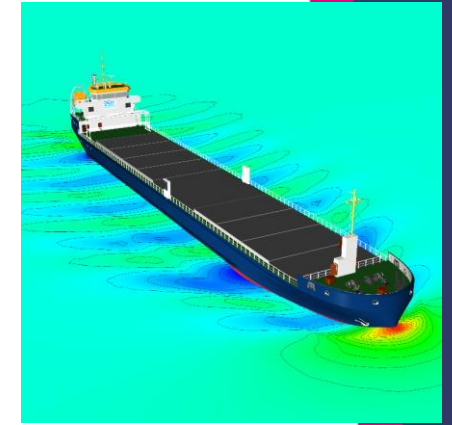
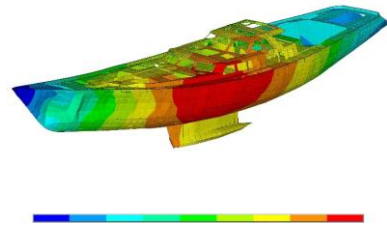
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Alternative Fuels in Practice

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Who are we?

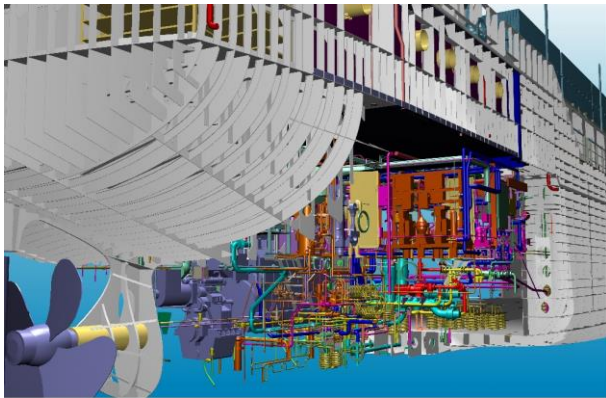


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- STRUCTURAL DESIGNERS
- MECHANICAL ENGINEERS
- NAVAL ARCHITECTS
- STABILITY EXPERTS
- FEM EXPERTS
- CFD EXPERTS
- PROJECT MANAGERS
- DETAIL STRUCTURES AND OUTFITTING ENGINEERS

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Alternative Fuels?

Methanol

LNG

Biodiesel

Batteries
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Nuclear
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LPG

Ethanol

Wind
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Ammonia

CH₂

LH₂

NaBH₄?

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Industry Projects



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SH₂IPDRIVE
HYDROGEN FOR MARITIME



C-Job

Hydrogen

Ammonia

LNG (+ CO₂ capture)

Methanol

MENENS



GREEN MARITIME METHANOL

**LERO
LNG**

CO₂asts

Selected Alternative Fuels (1)

LNG (CH₄)

- Gas at RTP
- Highly flammable

Ammonia (NH₃)

- Gas at RTP
- Environmentally harmful

Methanol (CH₄O)

- Liquid at RTP
- Poisonous

LH2 (H₂)

- Gas at RTP
- Highly flammable

Selected Alternative Fuels (2)

LNG (CH₄)

- From catalysing H₂ and CO₂
- From fermenting biomass
- From fossil sources

Ammonia (NH₃)

- From catalysing H₂ and N₂

Methanol (CH₄O)

- From catalysing H₂ and CO₂
- From further fermenting CH₄

LH2 (H₂)

- Electrolysing water
- Steam reforming of fossil sources

Some Quick Stats

Fuel	Storage Temperature [°C]	Density [kg/m ³]	LHV [MJ/kg]	Energy Density [MJ/m ³]
MDO	15	890	43	38700
LNG	-162	430	49	21070
Methanol	15	790	20	15840
Ammonia (liquid)	-50	700	19	13340
Hydrogen (liquid)	-253	69	121	8350

...In 20 ft Container Storage Units (1)

Fuel	Empty weight [t]	Capacity [m3]	Fuel weight [t]	Tank mass fraction
MDO	6	26	23.1	26%
LNG	7 - 10	22	9.5	74% - 116%
Methanol	6	26	20.5	29%
Ammonia (liquid)	7 - 10	24	16.8	42% - 60%
Hydrogen (liquid)	10+	19	1.3	763%

...In 20 ft Container Storage Units (2)

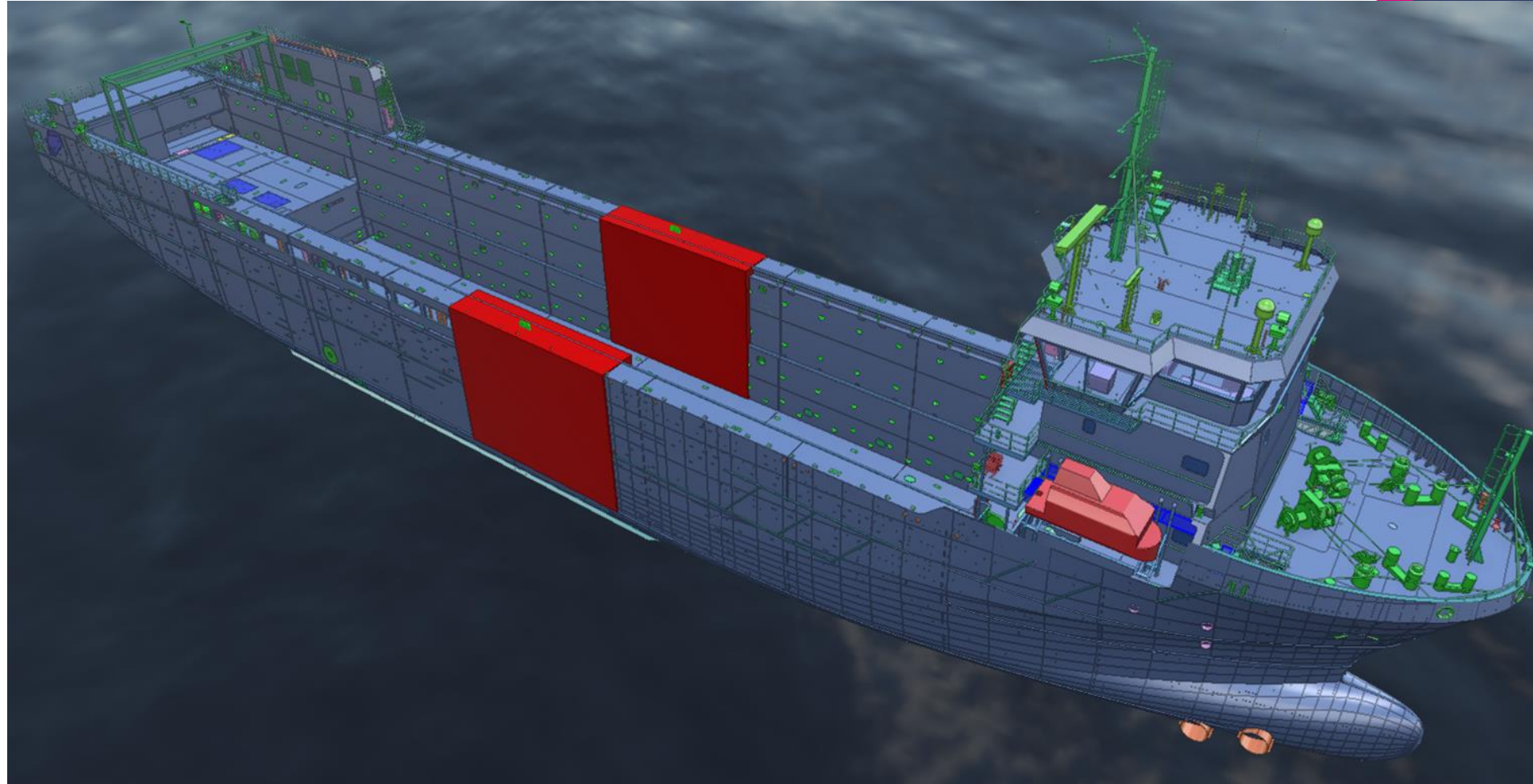
Fuel	Energy Capacity [GJ/TEU]	Equiv. "LHV" (incl tank) [MJ/kg]
MDO	995	34
LNG	464	24 - 28
Methanol	411	16
Ammonia (liquid)	319	12 - 13
Hydrogen (liquid)	159	14

Conversion to Alternative Fuels in Practice

- Sample case
 - 100 m 6000 TDW multi-purpose vessel
 - DEKC design
 - Diesel-electric
- Equivalent energy storage
 - Assume similar efficiency for ICEs for all fuels
 - Different for fuel cells or batteries
 - What needs to be sacrificed?

MDO

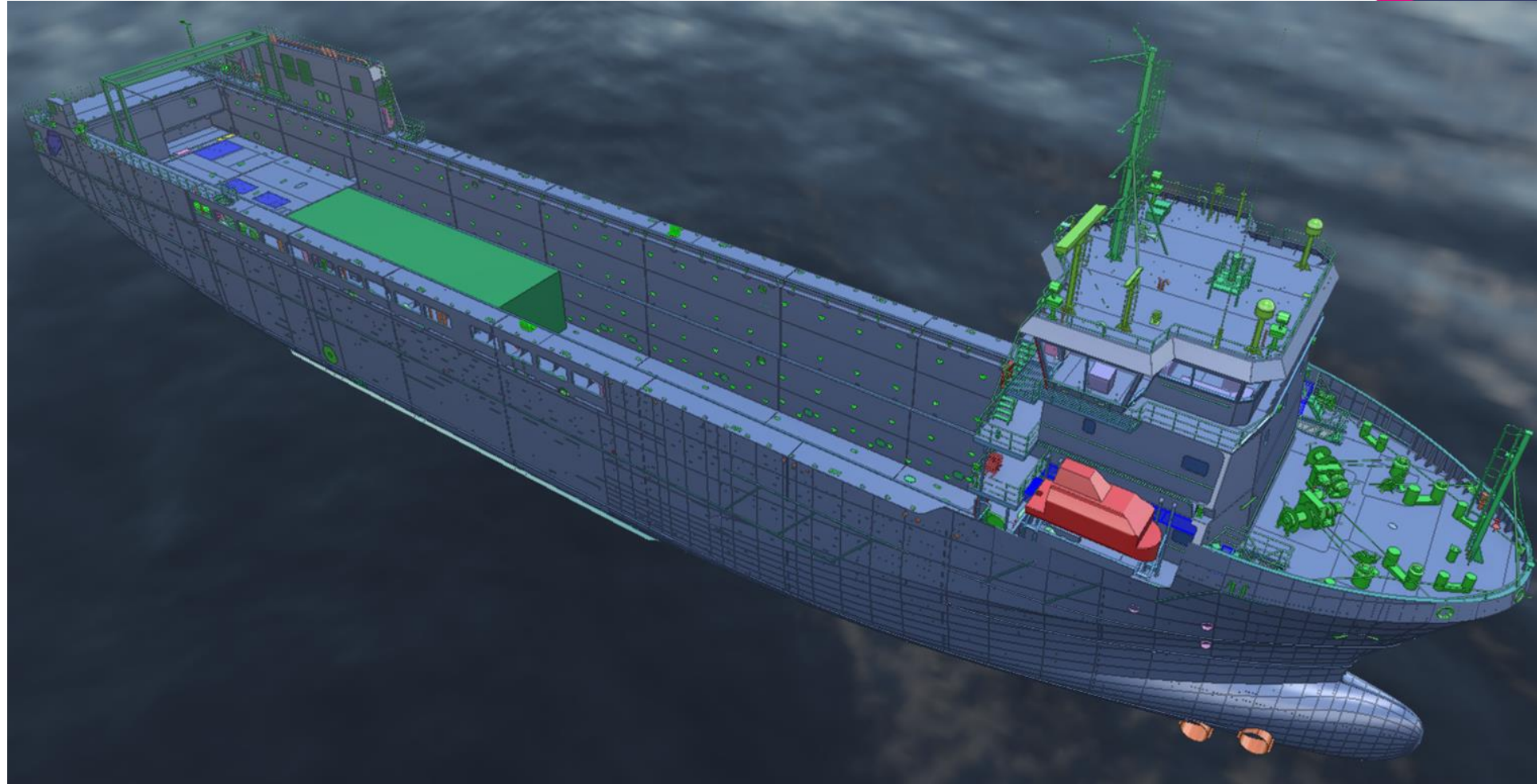
- 15300 GJ
- 400 m³
- 356 t



LNG

- 15300 GJ
- ~32 TEU
- ~550 t

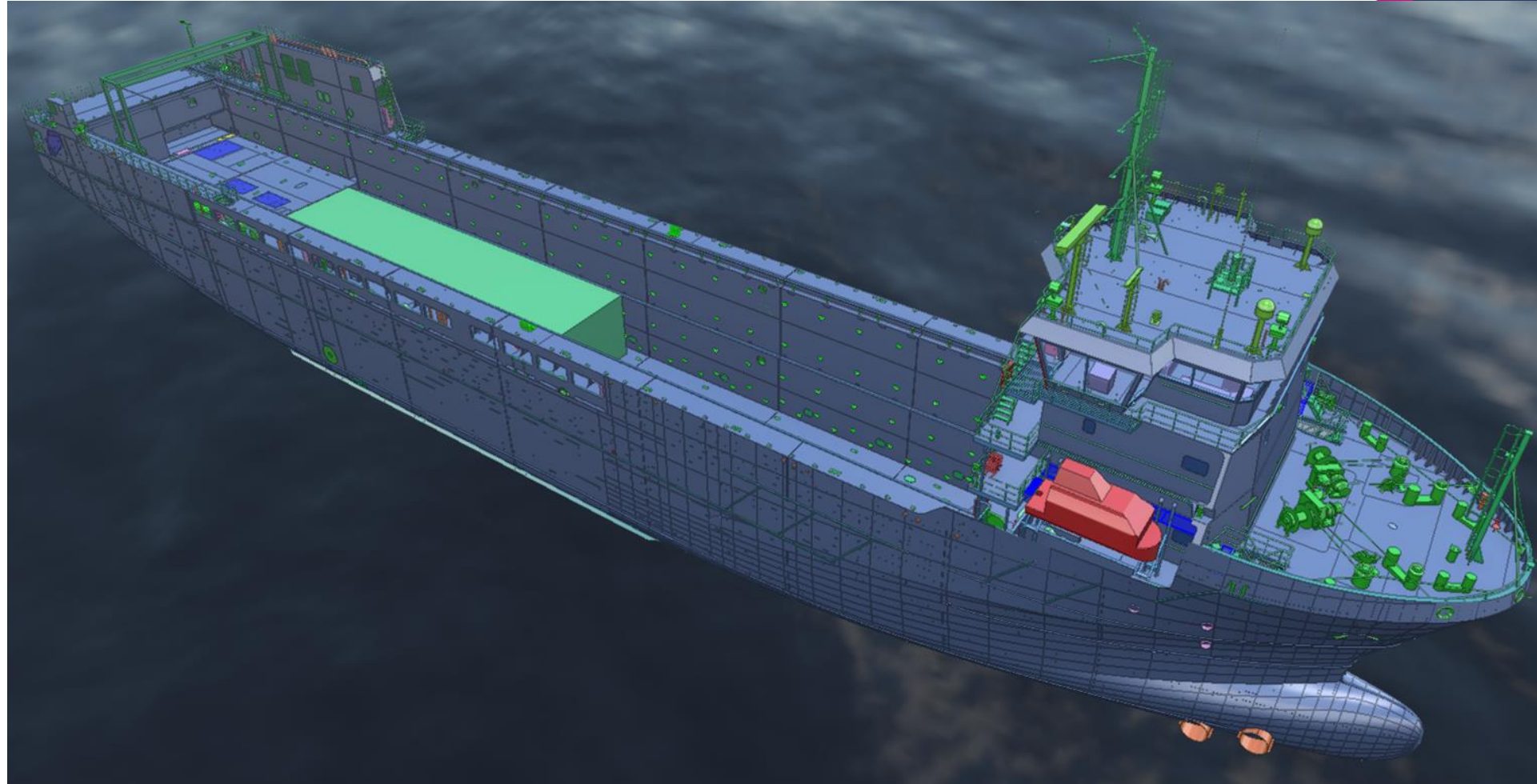
- -200 t DWT
- -1200 m³ hold



Methanol

- 15300 GJ
- ~40 TEU
- ~1050 t

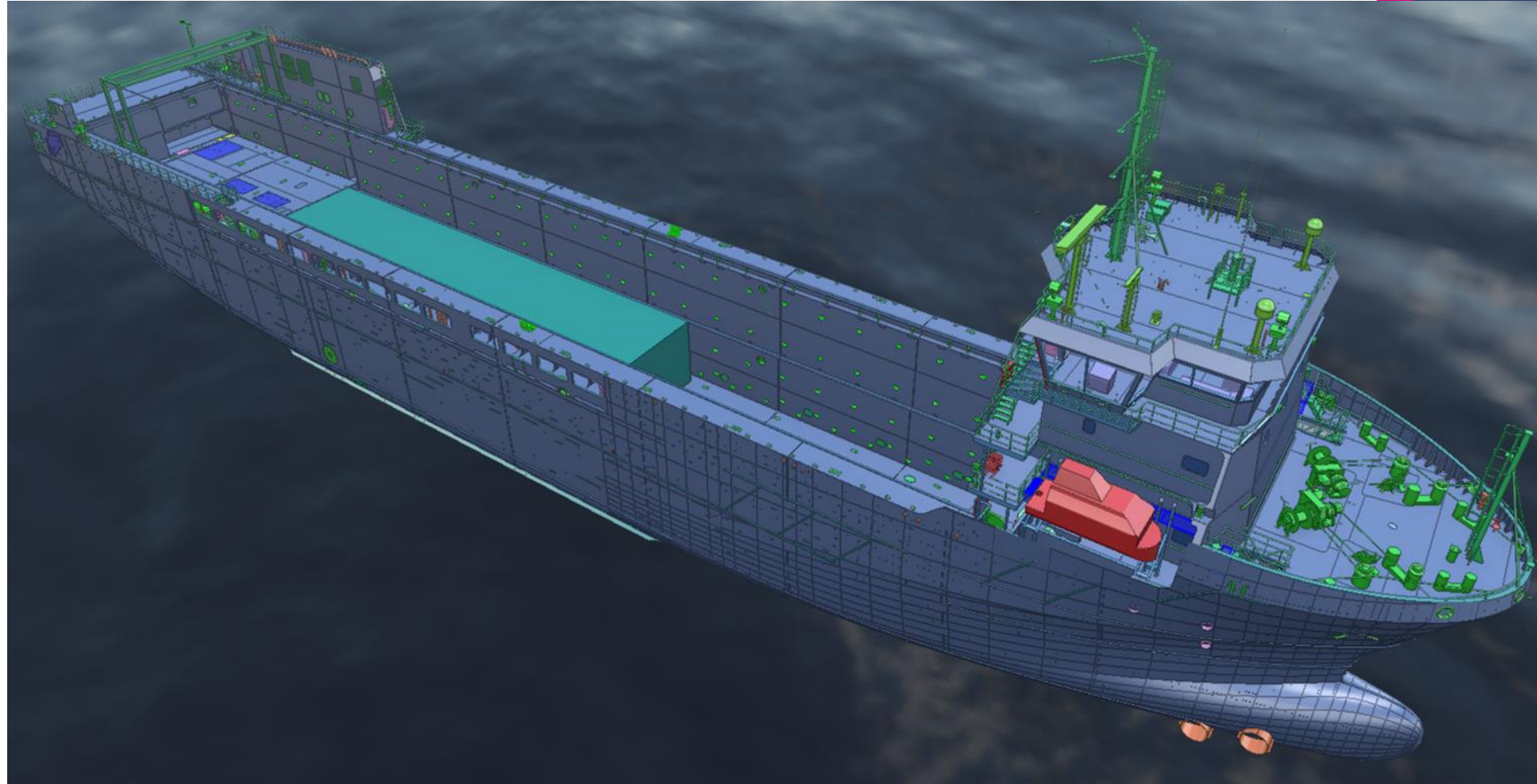
- -700 t DWT
- -1500 m³ hold



Ammonia

- 15300 GJ
- ~48 TEU
- ~1200 t

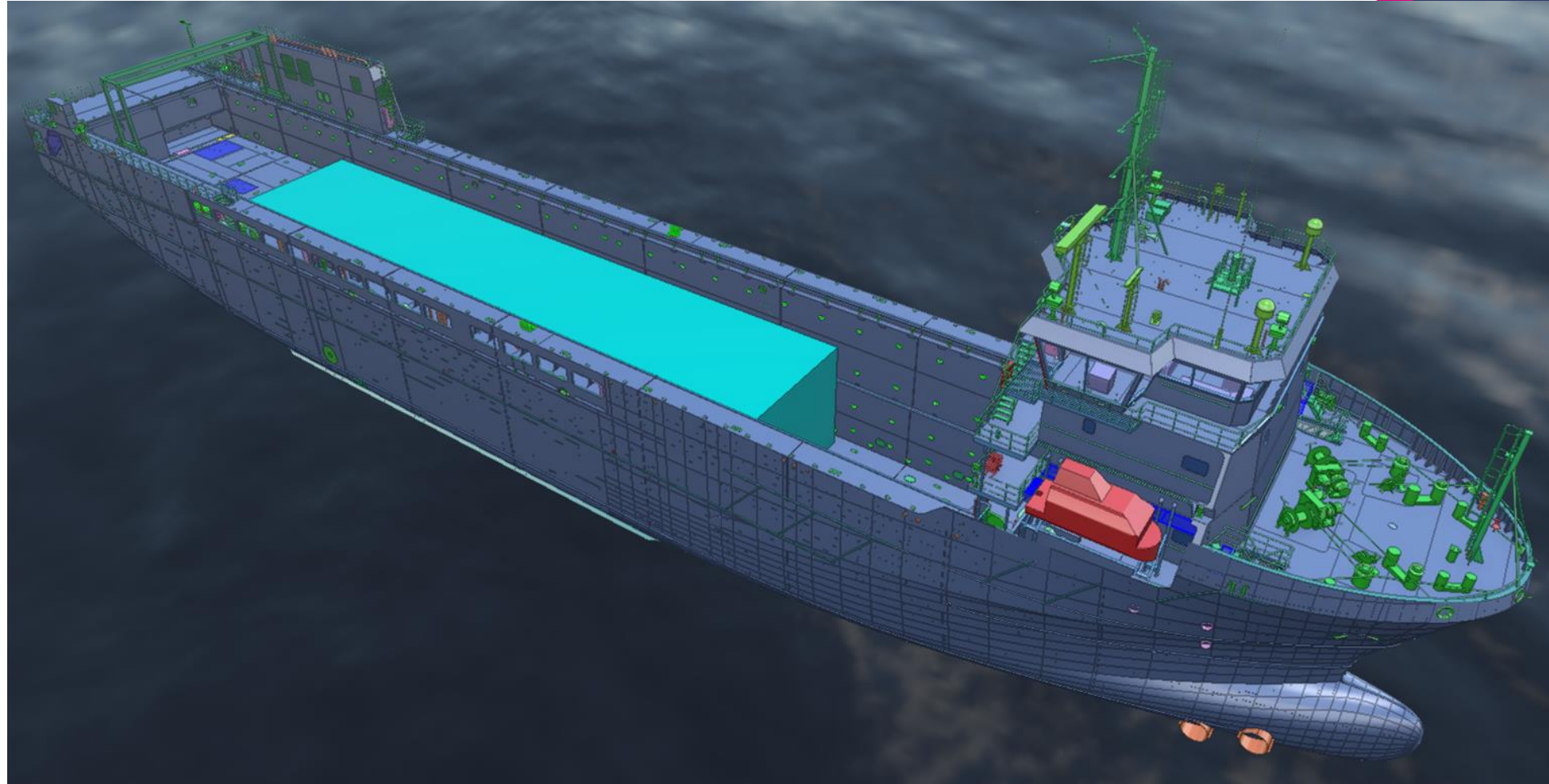
- -850 t DWT
- -1800 m³ hold



Hydrogen

- 15300 GJ
- ~96 TEU
- ~1100 t

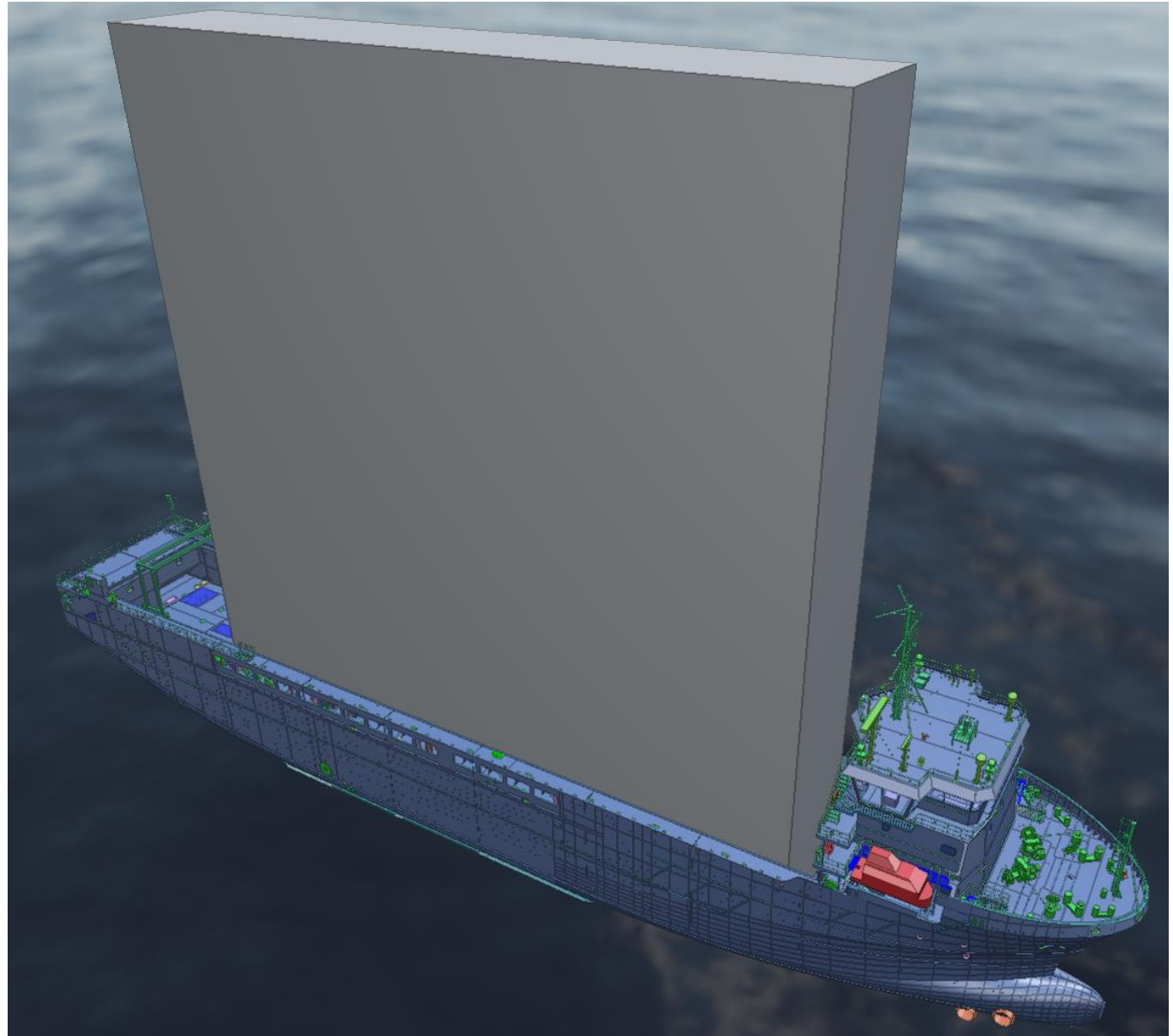
- -750 t DWT
- -3600 m³ hold



Batteries (LFP)

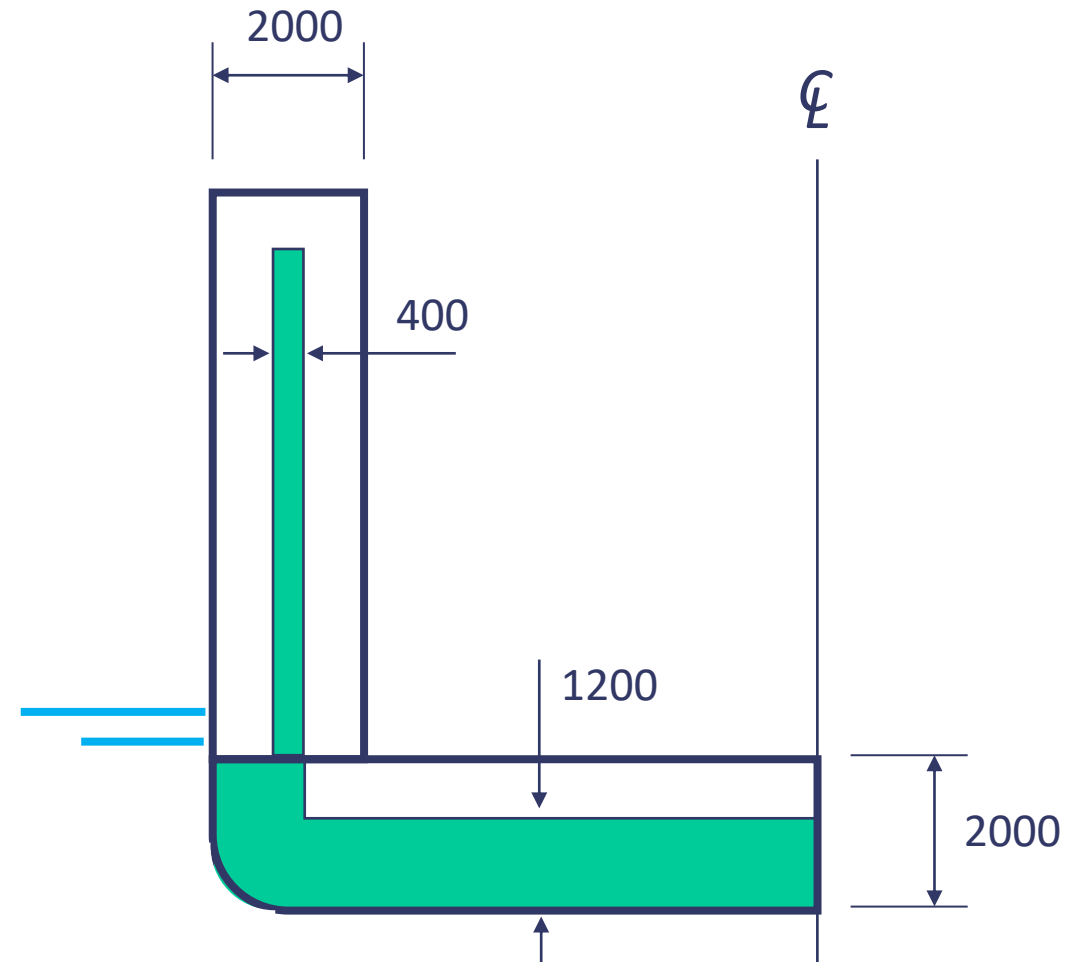
- 15300 GJ
- ~1000 TEU
- ~26000 t

- Sunk



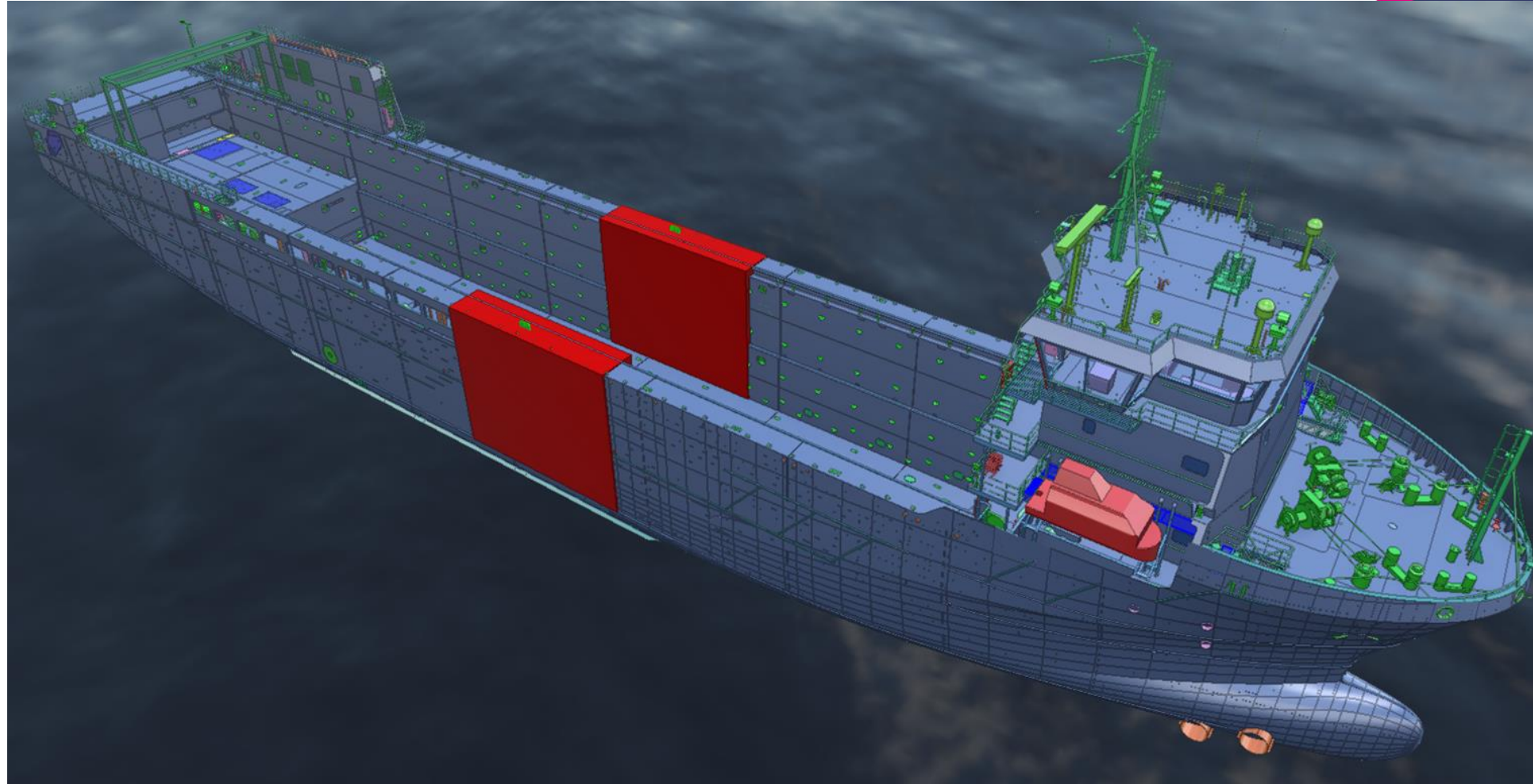
Methanol in integrated tanks (1)

- Liquid at RTP
 - No cooling/pressure required
 - Can be stored in integrated tanks
- However, for safety...
 - 800 mm cofferdam around tank
 - Up to shell when always under water



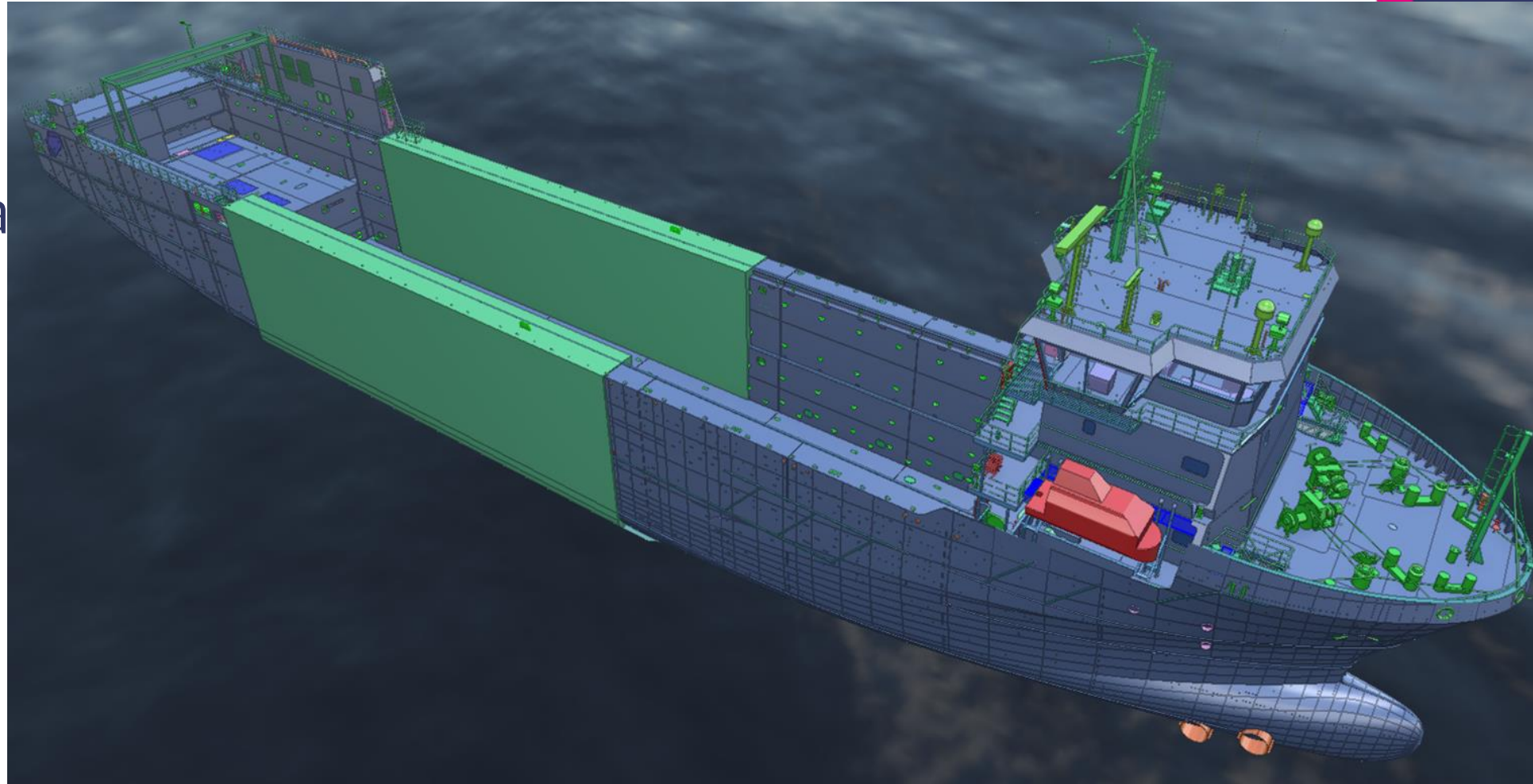
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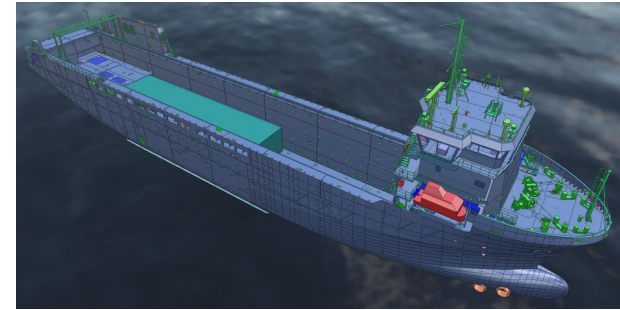
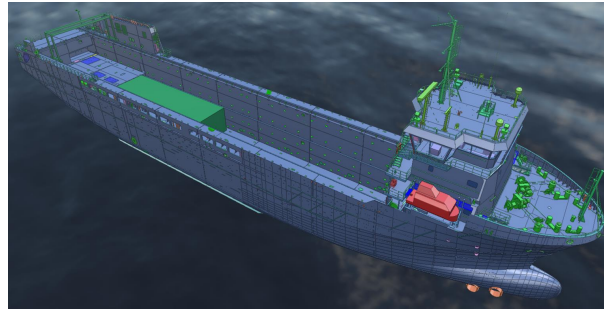
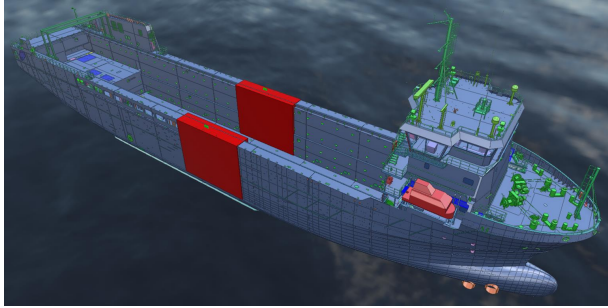
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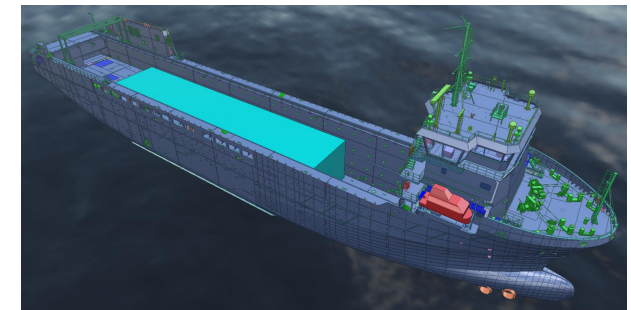
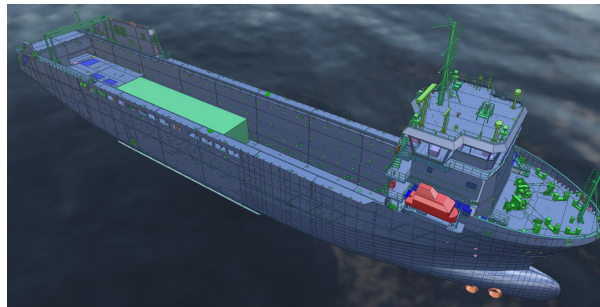
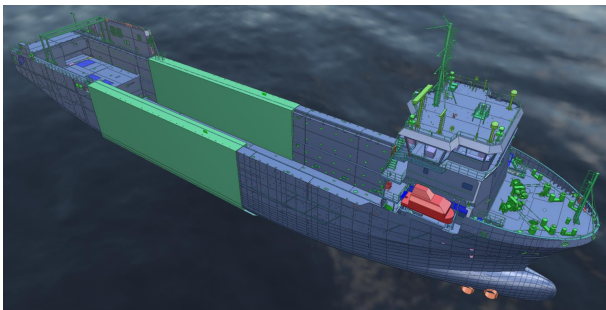
Methanol in integrated tanks (2)

- 15300 GJ
- 966 m³
- 763 t (+ extra for internal structure!)
- -400 t DWT (at least)
- -1000 m³ ballast water





Energy storage is a major issue!



What about safety? (1)

- Fuel tank protection
 - LNG, ammonia, LH2 ☐ Tanks at least B/5 from side
 - Methanol ☐ 800 mm cofferdam above waterline
- Ventilation
 - LNG and methanol ☐ 10 m from air inlets
 - Ammonia ☐ 25 m from air inlets
 - Hydrogen ☐ Clearance to be determined by analysis
- Explosion-proof zones
 - At least 3 m around any outlet or bunker station

What about safety? (2)

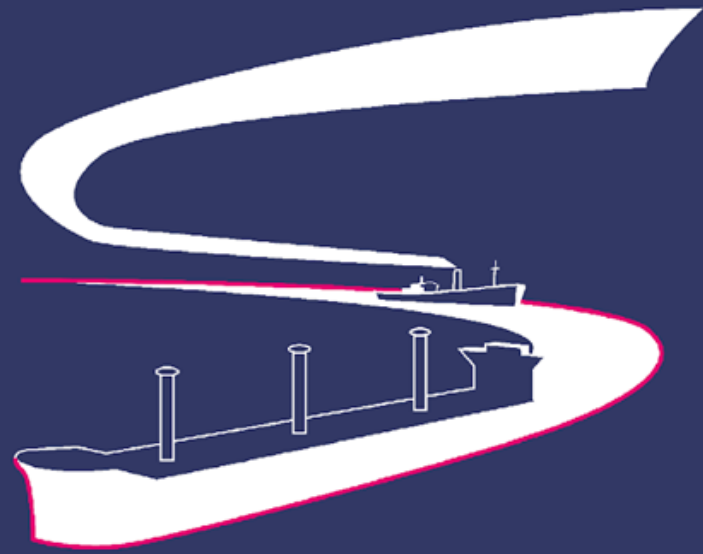
- Fuel preparation
 - Supplied to ICEs as gas
 - Separate room required for fuel preparation
- Fuel supply
 - Double-walled piping, or inside ventilated duct
 - Inert gas system required

Concluding remarks

- Equivalent energy storage requires great sacrifice
 - Reduce energy requirements
 - Reduce endurance
- Safety requirements pose no major obstacles
 - LNG vessels have been operating for years
 - Most regulations similar
- Different fuels suitable for different vessels!
- Fuel availability?

Thank you for your attention!

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