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ABSTRACT

This report includes the presentations from DeepWind2012, the 9th Deep Sea Offshore Wind R&D Seminar, 19 – 20 January 2012 in Trondheim, Norway. The seminar has been arranged every year since 2004, and has been established as an important venue for the wind power sector in Norway and internationally. Presentations include plenary sessions with broad appeal and parallel sessions on specific technical themes:

- a) New turbine and generator technology
- b) Grid connection and power system integration
- c) Met-ocean conditions
- d) Operation and maintenance
- e) Installation and sub-structures
- f) Wind farm modelling

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Opening session - offshore wind outlook

Wind in our sails - The coming of Europe's offshore wind energy industry,
Arapogianni Athanasia, EWEA

Status and plans for offshore wind in Japan,
Prof Chuichi Arakawa, University of Tokyo

Offshore wind research and development in USA, Senu Srinivas, NREL

Innovations in Offshore Wind Technology through R&D,
John Olav Tande, SINTEF Energi AS


Coupled fluid-structure interaction simulation,
Prof Yuri Bazilevs, University of California (No presentation available)



Wind in our Sails
The coming of Europe's offshore wind energy industry

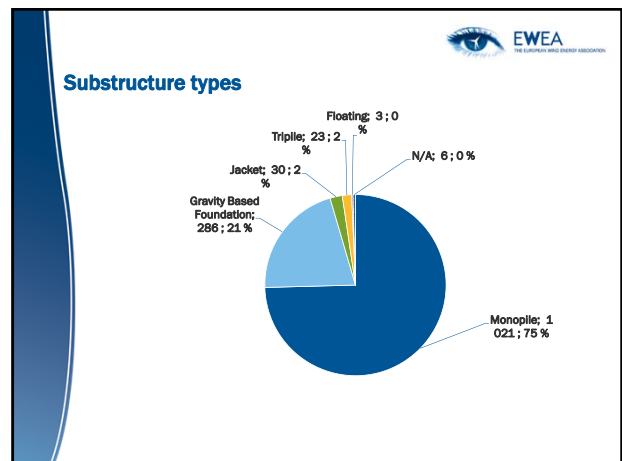
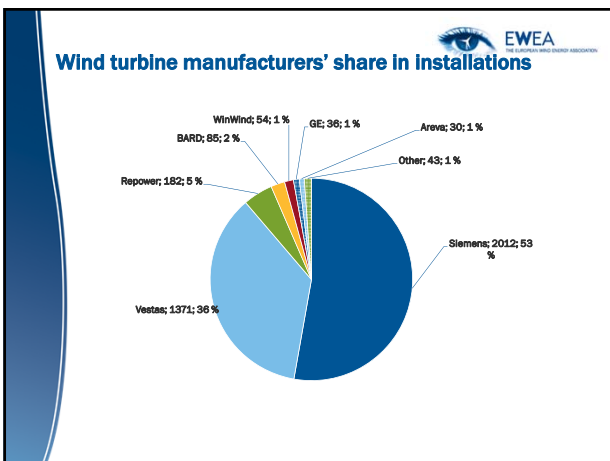
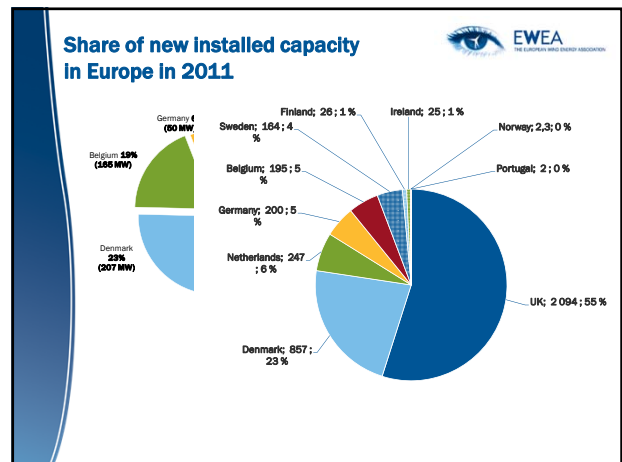
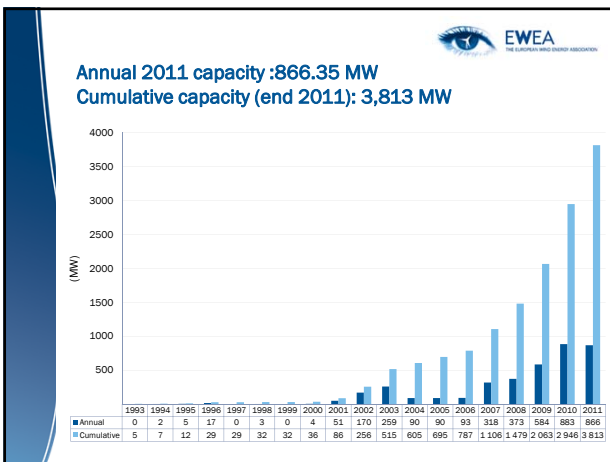
Arapogianni Athanasia – research officer
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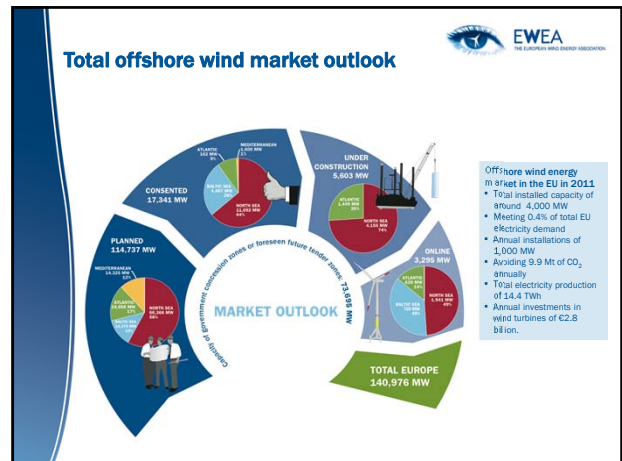
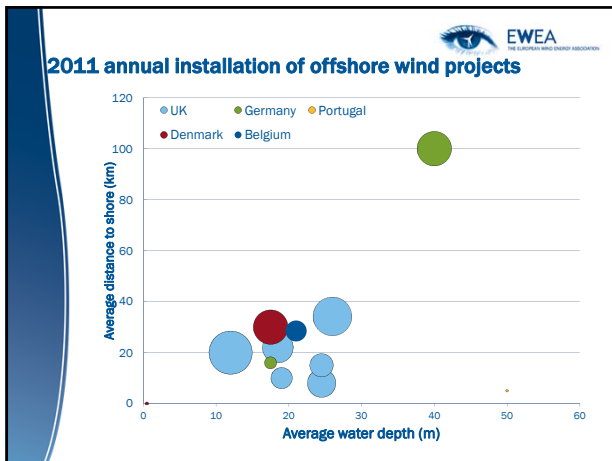
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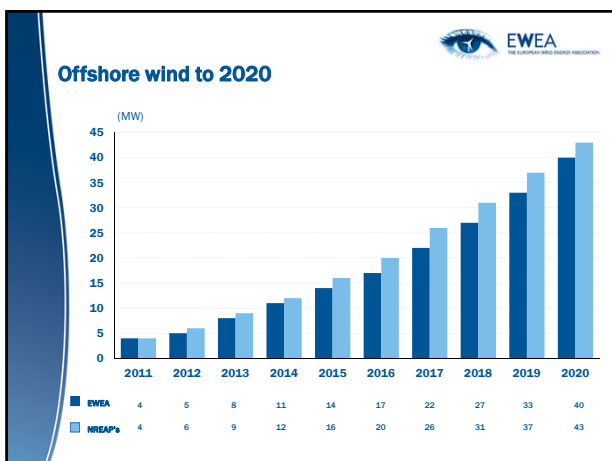


Offshore wind energy market in the EU in 2011

- Total installed capacity of 3,813 MW
- Meeting 0.4% of total EU electricity demand
- Annual installations of 866.35 MW
- Avoiding 9.9 Mt of CO₂ annually
- Total electricity production of 14.4 TWh
- Annual investments in wind turbines of €2.8 billion.

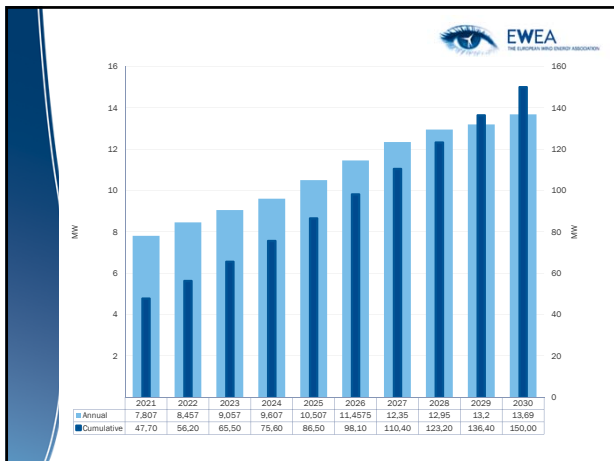
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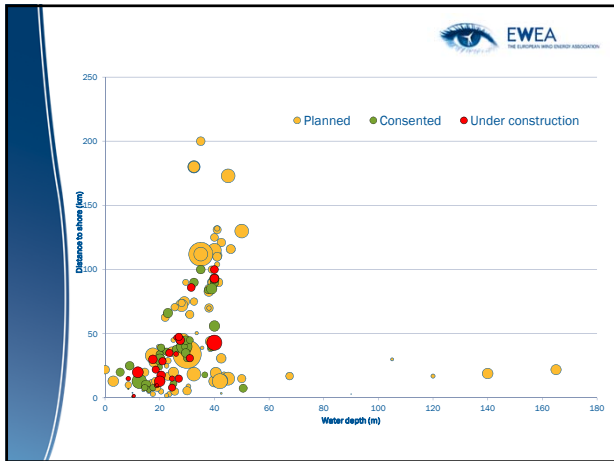
Offshore wind energy market in the EU in 2020

- Total installed capacity of 40,000 MW
- Meeting 4.2% of total EU electricity demand
- Annual installations of 6,900 MW
- Avoiding 102 Mt of CO₂ annually
- Total electricity production of 148 TWh
- Annual investments in offshore wind turbines of €10.4 billion
- Cumulative investments in offshore wind turbines of €65.9 billion in the period 2011 - 2020.



Offshore wind energy market in the EU in 2030

- Total installed capacity of 150,000 MW
- Annual installations of 13,700 MW
- Total electricity production of 562 TWh
- Meeting 13.9% of total EU electricity demand
- Avoiding 315 Mt of CO2 in 2030
- Annual investments in offshore wind turbines of €17 billion in 2030
- Cumulative investments of €145.2 billion from 2021 to 2030



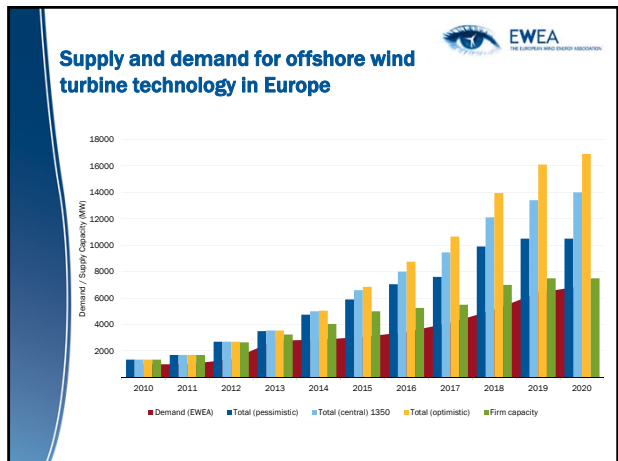
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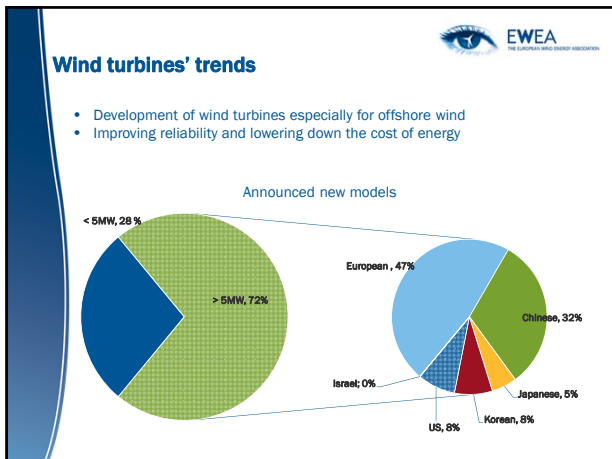
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An offshore wind supply chain

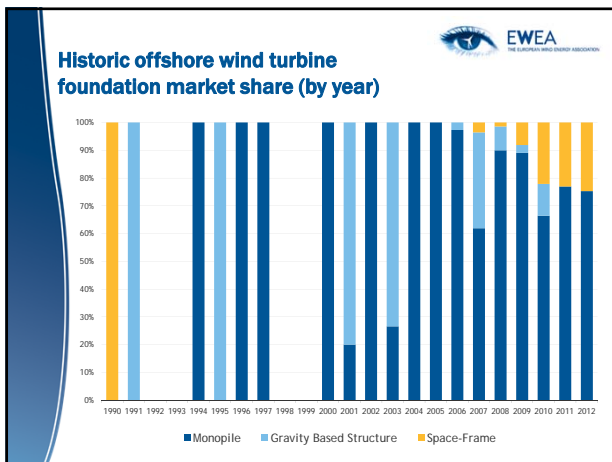
| | Wind turbine Manufacturers | Structural fabricators | Electrical suppliers | Marine contractors | Cable suppliers | Cable installers | EPCI contractors | Port operators |
|-----------------------------|--|---|----------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|--|---|----------------|
| Example Incumbents | Siemens, Vestas, Repower, Ariva | SIF, Smuiders, Bladt, EEW, Westernwind, BIFAB, Aker | ABB, Siemens Energy, Alstom Grid | A2Sea, MPI, SHL, Geosea | Nexans, Phymian, ABB NKT, Scarcope | Technip, CT Offshore, Global Marine, Visser&Smit | Fluor, Van Oord, ABJV, MT Hoggard, DEME | Various |
| Example new entrants | BARD, GE, Doosan, Gamesa, Alstom, Nordex, Mitsubishi | H&W, TAG, Tata, Hensema, ZPMC, Shinan, Fabricom | C&G | Fred Olsen, Beluga, Inwind, GOAH, Sea Jacks | DRAKA, JDR | Beluga | Hochtief, Salpem, Technip, Subsea7 | Various |
| Level 1 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Level 2 | x | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | x | ✓ |
| Level 3 | x | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | x | ✓ |

Legend:
 Ticks and crosses represent likelihood of positioning at relevant Level in the contractual hierarchy:
 ✓ Likely
 ✓ Possible
 x Unlikely

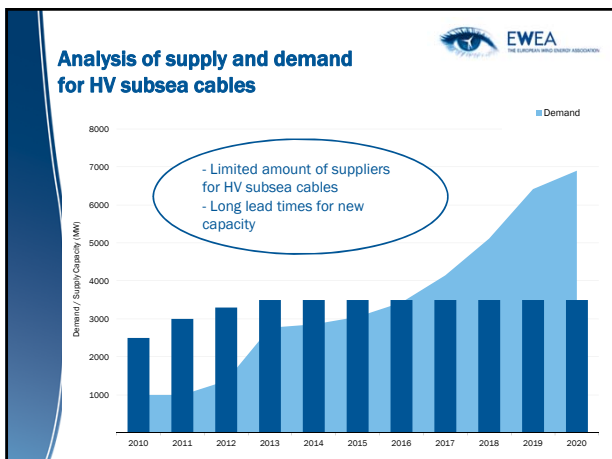




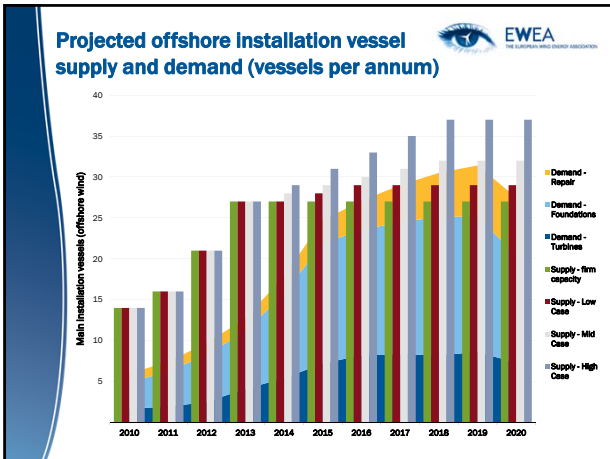
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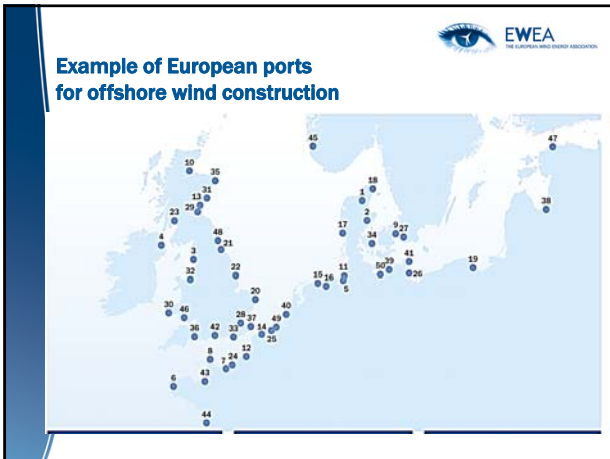
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| No. Port | MP ¹ | M ² | OWE ³ | No. Port | MP ¹ | M ² | OWE ³ | No. Port | MP ¹ | M ² | OWE ³ |
|----------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|
| 1. Aalborg | ● | ● | ✓ | 18. Frederikshavn | ○ | ○ | ✓ | 35. Peterhead | ○ | ○ | × |
| 2. Aarhus | ○ | ○ | ✓ | 19. Gdansk | ○ | ○ | × | 36. Portland | ○ | ○ | × |
| 3. Barrow | ● | ○ | ✓ | 20. Great Yarmouth | ● | ○ | ✓ | 37. Ramsgate | ○ | ○ | ✓ |
| 4. Belfast | ● | ○ | ✓ | 21. Harlowood & Tees | ○ | ○ | ✓ | 38. Riga | ○ | ○ | × |
| 5. Bremerhaven | ● | ● | ✓ | 22. Hamburg | ○ | ● | ✓ | 39. Rostock | ● | ● | ✓ |
| 6. Brest | ○ | ○ | × | 23. Humberston | ○ | ○ | × | 40. Rotterdam | ● | ● | ✓ |
| 7. Caen | ○ | ○ | × | 24. Le Havre | ○ | ○ | × | 41. Sassnitz | ● | ○ | ✓ |
| 8. Cherbourg | ○ | ○ | × | 25. Zeebrugge | ○ | ○ | × | 42. Southampton | ○ | ○ | × |
| 9. Copenhagen | ○ | ○ | × | 26. Lubmin | ● | ● | ✓ | 43. St Malo | ○ | ○ | × |
| 10. Cape Firth | ○ | ○ | × | 27. Malmo | ○ | ○ | × | 44. St Nazaire | ○ | ○ | × |
| 11. Cuxhaven | ● | ● | ✓ | 28. Medway | ○ | ○ | × | 45. Stavanger | ○ | ○ | ✓ |
| 12. Dieppe | ○ | ○ | × | 29. Methil | ● | ● | ✓ | 46. Swansea | ○ | ○ | × |
| 13. Dundee | ○ | ○ | × | 30. Milford H. | ○ | ○ | × | 47. Tallin | ○ | ○ | × |
| 14. Dunkirk | ● | ○ | ✓ | 31. Montrose | ○ | ○ | × | 48. Tyneside | ○ | ○ | × |
| 15. Eemshaven | ● | ○ | ✓ | 32. Moolten | ● | ○ | ✓ | 49. Visingsen | ○ | ○ | ✓ |
| 16. Emden | ● | ● | ✓ | 33. Newhaven | ○ | ○ | × | 50. Wisnar | ○ | ○ | × |
| 17. Esbjerg | ● | ● | ✓ | 34. Nuborg | ● | ○ | ✓ | | | | |

Notes:
 1. "MP": suitable as Mobilisation Port
 2. "M": Manufacturing infrastructure serving the offshore wind sector
 3. "OWE": Offshore Wind Experience

Legend:
 ● Currently or likely in future
 ○ Possible in future
 ○ Unclear

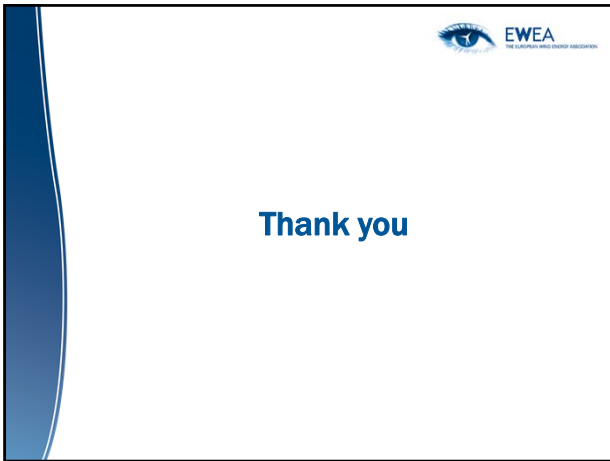
Supply chain – Wind in our Sails – More details

- Supply chain is dynamic and responding to challenges through investments in innovation:
 - Turbines
 - Substructures
 - Electrical infrastructure
 - Vessels
 - Ports

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Wind in our Sails
The making of Europe's offshore wind energy industry

- ### Conclusions
- The European Union leads the world in offshore wind power with almost 4,000MW already installed
 - This major industrial development will bring a significant number of jobs and create development opportunities for European companies
 - However, there are still challenges ahead and support is needed:
 - Favorable national framework conditions: NREAPs, licensing and permitting procedures, maritime spatial planning, reinforcement of onshore networks
 - Support from the EU: stable post-2020 legislative framework, offshore grid



Status and plans for offshore wind in Japan

9th Deep Sea Offshore Wind R&D Seminar, 19-20 January 2012, Trondheim, NORWAY

Chuichi Arakawa
The University of Tokyo

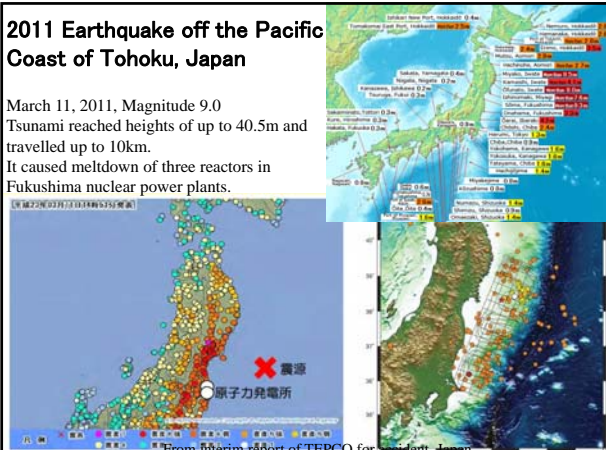


- This wind farm withstood Tsunami on 3.11
- 7 units of 2MW Wind Turbine
- Being developed as private sector for future such as more 7 units and Giga-watt farm

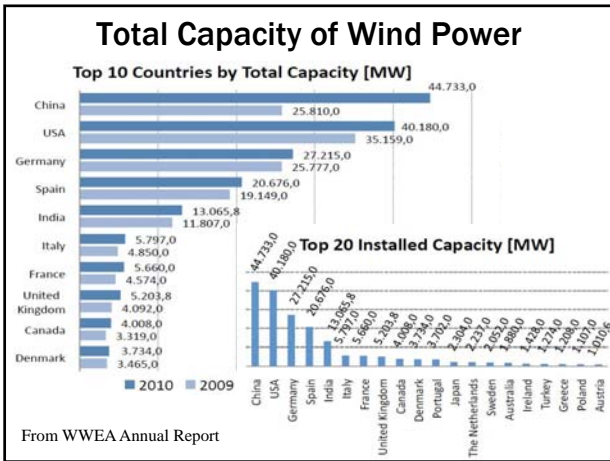
Kamisu, Japan / 2MW x 7

2011 Earthquake off the Pacific Coast of Tohoku, Japan

March 11, 2011, Magnitude 9.0
Tsunami reached heights of up to 40.5m and travelled up to 10km.
It caused meltdown of three reactors in Fukushima nuclear power plants.



From literim report of TEPCO for accident, Japan




New Guideline for Wind Turbines in Japan and Asian Area

Typhoon Attack
Miyako Island was hit by huge Typhoon #14 on 11.Sep.2003 and all 7 WT were destroyed; 3 fallen down, 3 lost blades, 1 lost nacelle roof

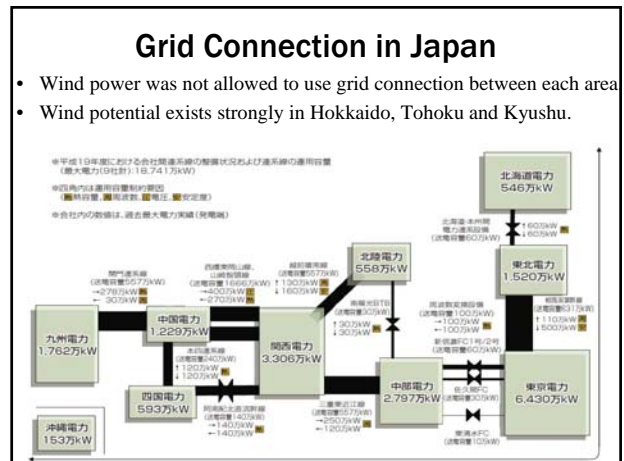


NEW MW-class Machines in Japan



SUBARU 80/2.0 (FHI) 2 MW WT

MWT92 (MHI) 2.4MW WT



NEDO R&D Offshore Windpower Generation

- Offshore Windturbine Demonstration PJ
 - 2.4MW at Choshi, 2MW at Hibikinada in 2012
- Offshore Windfarm Feasibility Study
 - 4 districts are chosen in 2011.
- Super Large Windturbine Development
- Ocean Energy Potential Study
- Floating Offshore Windturbine Basic study

However, we have delay of more than 10 years for offshore in Europe. Furthermore, the national project is planned to have only one turbine. We should accelerate wind power to cover nuclear in high speed.

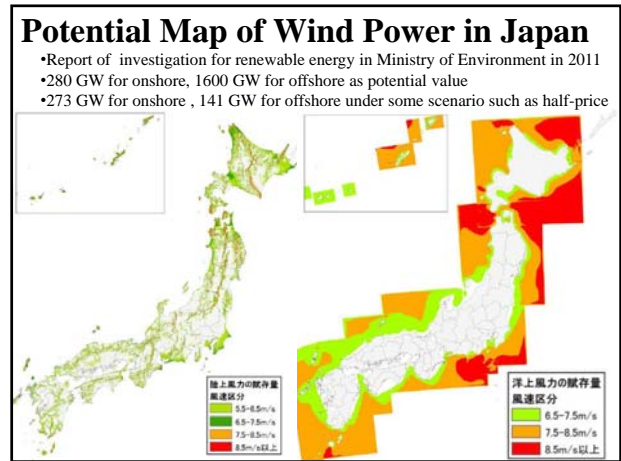
Domestic Project of Deep Offshore

Spar type ; Prof. Suzuki in Uni. of Tokyo

Semi-sub type ; Prof. Ishihara in Uni. of Tokyo, TEPCO, etc

Sailing type ; Environment Institute & Prof. Kinoshita in Uni. of Tokyo

Scale model of Spar type: Prof. Utsunomiya in Kyoto Uni., Toda-Kensetsu, etc



1. Japan's current situation and challenges of Wind Power

Wind power

- Total wind power site : 479 (less than 5 wind tower : 393)
- *Almost all of wind power site are small.
- Many sites are unprofitable due to higher than expected maintenance costs as a result of Japan's unique site conditions, e.g. strong mountain ridge turbulence
- Site conditions are key to profitable projects / Significant need for deregulation and reduced grid integration barriers

Offshore Wind power

- Commercialization of offshore wind is expected in the near future
- Current cost is high, but there are significant offshore wind resources
- Europe - many shallow-water sea areas suited to offshore fixed bottom Japan - shallow water areas are relatively small, therefore floating offshore wind power will be necessary, even when including the increased grid connection cost
- Based on a request from the Fukushima Prefecture, METI will demonstrate the world's largest scale level "floating offshore wind power" as five-year plan

Challenges

- Lightning protection & wind forecasting & control technology development tailored to Japan to increase capacity utilization and cost reduction
- Regulatory reform promoting large-scale wind through: conversion of agricultural land, use of natural parks / national forests, & most importantly a regulatory landscape
- Measures are needed to promote: off-peak electricity storage, enhance & support grid connections

Source : METI, Japan

2. Offshore Wind Energy R&D Project ① (FY2008~FY2014)

Research and Development of Offshore Wind Power Generation Technology (FY2012 budget 5.2 billion yen (FY2011 budget 3.73 billion yen))

Contents

- Domestic wind power generation reduce suitable sites by social acceptability issues such as noise and low frequency noise or landscape view concerns. In the future, large scale wind introduction to promote expansion of wind power needs to be deployed offshore.
- R&D performed to establish offshore wind power technology suitable for Japan's meteorological and oceanographic conditions:
 - Demonstrate wind observation/forecasting systems
 - Demonstrate offshore fixed bottom wind power
 - Demonstrate large (> 5MW) wind power systems
 - Feasibility study for floating offshore wind power systems
- Such R&D efforts will prove the safety, reliability and economic potential of offshore wind. The R&D will also accelerate the introduction of wind power in Japan, and assist the development a stronger domestic wind power industry resulting in greater international competitiveness

Image of project

Observing wind conditions tower

Image of observing wind conditions and demonstration research of offshore fixed bottom wind power (provided by TEPCO, Tokyo Electric, a Kojima corporation)

Image of floating offshore wind power (provided by METI, Tokyo Univ., TEPCO)

Conditions (applicant, subsidiary rate, etc.)

Source : METI, Japan

3. Offshore Wind Energy R&D Project ② (FY2011~FY2015)

Floating offshore wind farm demonstration project (FY2011 3rd supplementary budget : 12.5 billion yen)

Contents of project

Summary / Purpose

○Affected areas in the east, in particular, Fukushima, are recovering from the earthquake damage. These areas are expected to provide large scale job creation due to accumulation of industries focused on renewable energy.

○This project will clarify the safety, reliability and economic potential of floating offshore wind by demonstration and experiments of the world's largest level floating offshore wind power generation system off the coast of Fukushima prefecture.

○After the completion of this project, this project is sought to make a new power generation business through the development of equipment as a result of this project. By doing so, we aim to make a Japan a hub of wind power and contribute to the industrial revival in Fukushima

Conditions (applicant, subsidiary rate, etc.)

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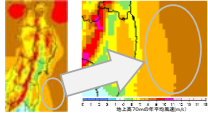
Private Organization, etc

Source: METI, Japan

Image of project

○Demonstration area : offshore of Fukushima Prefecture

○Such areas as well as a better wind conditions, are expected to take advantage of the former facilities of the offshore gas field, already being developed or currently in not use, offshore areas of Fukushima Prefecture are favorable.



Demonstration assumed area




Image of floating offshore wind power (Source: METI, Tokyo Univ., TEPCO)


Floating offshore wind turbine demonstration project

- Objective: demonstrating the first full-scale floating offshore wind turbine in Japan
- Duration: FY2010-2015
- Contractors: Toda Corp., Kyoto Univ., Fuji Heavy Industries (FHI), Fuyo Ocean Development & Engineering, National Maritime Research Institute (NMRI), and cooperative organisations


Nordic Green Japan, 7 November 2011

Source : MOE, Japan

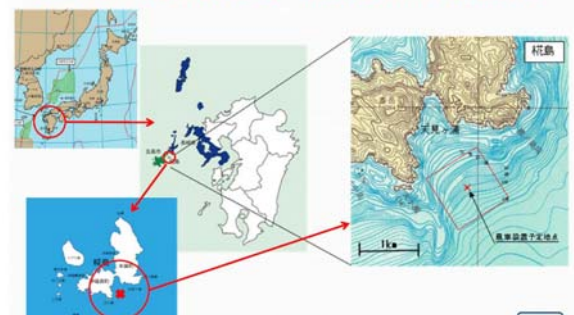
Floating type of offshore by Ministry of Environment (MOE)



Source : MOE and Kyoto University, Japan



Demonstration site – Kabashima Island



Nordic Green Japan, 7 November 2011

Source : MOE, Japan

Work plan FY2010-2015

| Fiscal year | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|--|---------------|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|
| Environmental study | Methodology | Continuous study (from pre-construction to post-removal) | | | | |
| 100kW small-scale turbine | Basic design | Detailed design | Establishment | Removal | | |
| 2MW full-scale turbine | | Detailed design | Construction | Establishment | Operation | Removal |
| Other | Selecting site (Dec. 2010) | | | | | Economic feasibility study |
| Budget (billion JPY) | 0.1 | 0.6 | 3.0e | 1.3e | 0.2e | 1.1e |

e: expected budget

- After the demonstration project, i.e. 2016, floating offshore wind turbines are expected to commercialise

Nordic Green Japan, 7 November 2011

Source : MOE, Japan

Concluding Remarks

For Onshore Wind Power

- Social acceptance is essential to avoid the influence of infrasound, landscape, bird-strike and so on.
- Primary grid connection of wind power is important with the electric power company using the connections with other areas.

For Offshore Wind Power

- Offshore wind power has large potential due to the huge area of ocean around Japanese island of EEZ 6th.
- Deep offshore system will be a key technology for future development of wind power and recovery from the disaster.
- Fisherman's right will be reasonably taken into account for cooperating with developer instead of compensation.
- Penetration of wind power in Japan is important, not the research and technology.

NREL

US Offshore Wind

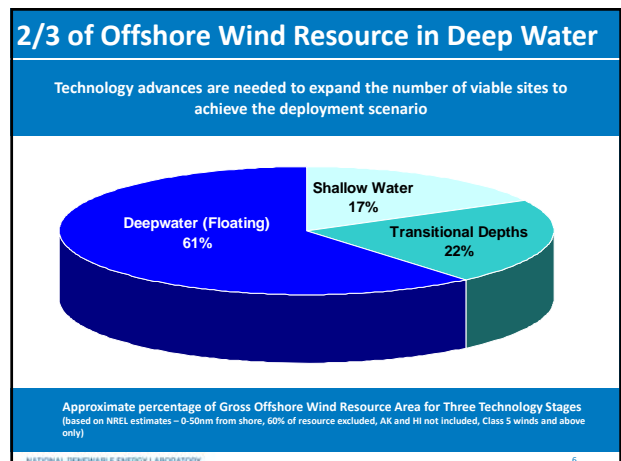
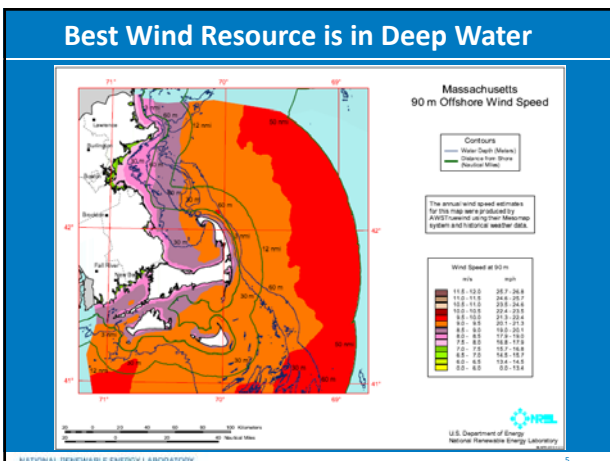
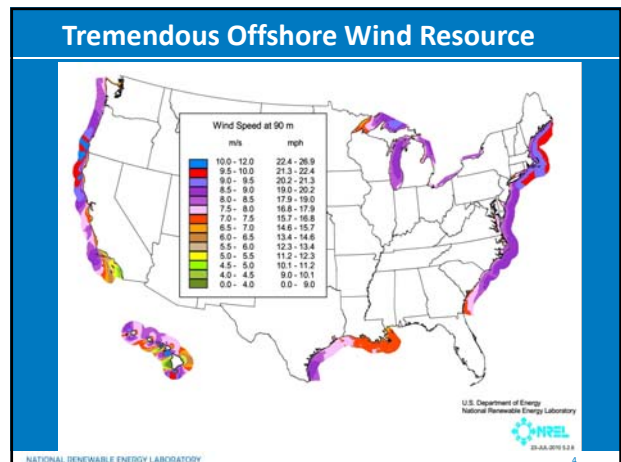
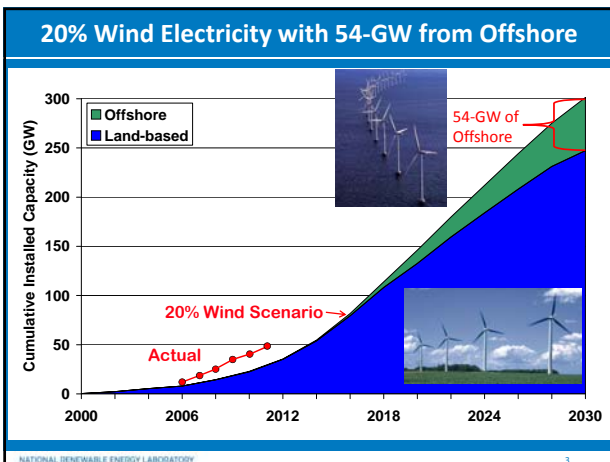
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National Wind Technology Center

- Principal wind R&D facility in US – DOE National Lab
- Staff of 140 – annual budget of \$40 M
- Unique test facilities
- Computer simulation tools

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Visual Impact of Offshore Turbines




Horns Rev windplant

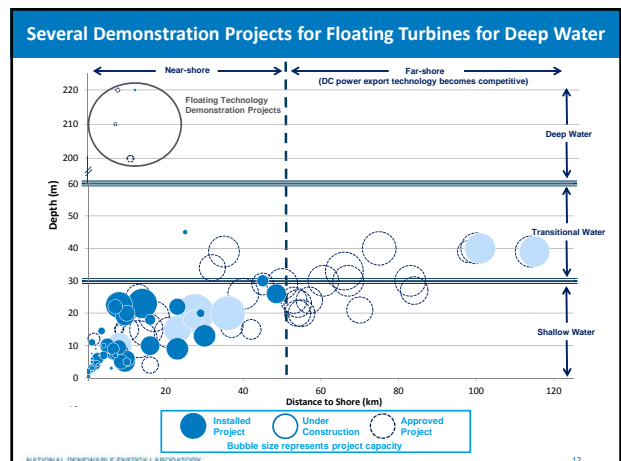
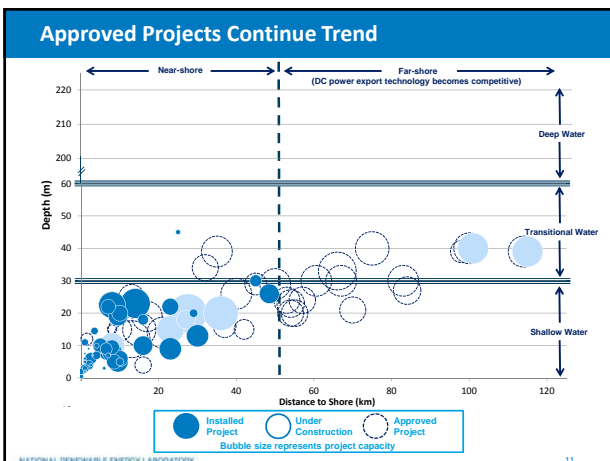
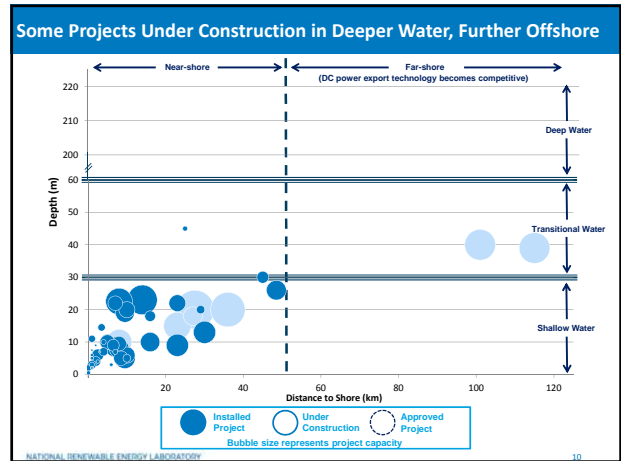
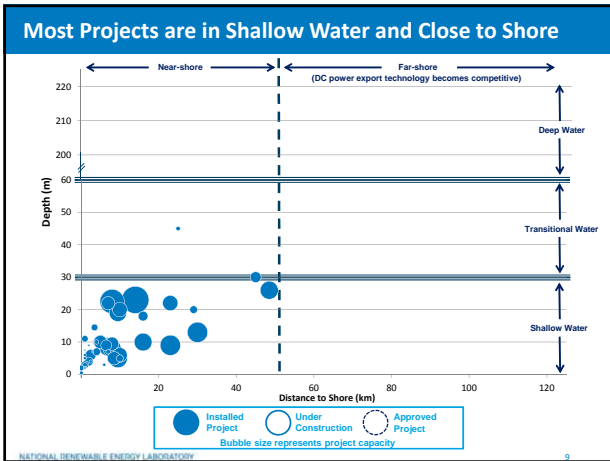
- Seashore is important recreation resource in US
- Must site far offshore to eliminate visual impact
- Siting over the horizon eliminates issue – but leads to deeper water

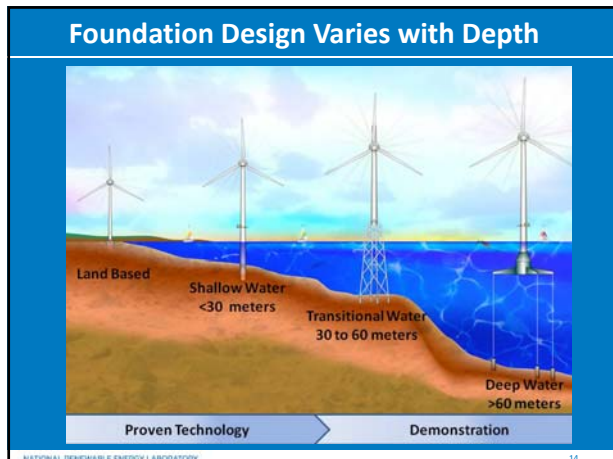
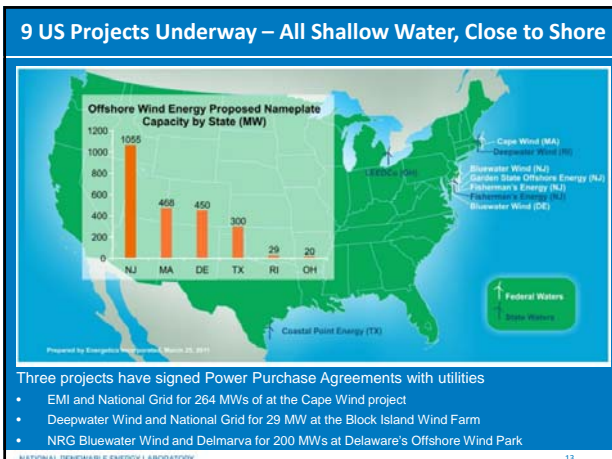
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Visual Impact of Oil Rigs (1920's)



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Innovative Deepwater Foundations

- **Inward Battered Jacket** reduces at-sea construction time and cost
- Resilient for large typhoon wave loads
- Suitable for shallow and transitional water depths

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Innovative Deepwater Foundations

- **Semisubmersible** provides stability by combination of bouncy and ballast
- Can be assembled in port and towed to site
- Suitable for wide range of water depths

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Innovative Deepwater Foundations

- **Tension Leg Platform** provides stability by differential tension on tendons
- Not stable without connection to tendons – challenging deployment
- Suitable for wide range of transitional and deep water depths

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Permitting

- US Permitting Process is Long and Complex
- Many laws, many stakeholders
- Process presently requires 7-9 years
- Many parties working to shorten process

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US Standards and Certification

- IEC 61400-03 provides basic standard for offshore wind
- BOEMRE 30 CFR 285 Rule does not specify standards
- AWEA Guidelines, NAS Study, IEC Maintenance Team contributing to advanced offshore standards
- Environmental and Safety risk of offshore wind is low; Policy risk a driver in regulation
- No floating standards for wind turbines yet
- Ice loading may define Great Lakes designs and installation practices
- Hurricanes may become a design driver in Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico

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US Department of Energy Strategy

2010

- June: RFI receives 113 responses
- Sept: *Large-Scale Offshore Wind Power in the United States*
- Sept: "Creating an Offshore Wind Energy Industry in the US" seminar series in Boston, Cleveland, and DC

2011

- Feb: DOE and DOI jointly announce *A National Offshore Wind Strategy* and three FOAs
- March: "Rising Tide" US-UK Symposium
- June: Statement of Intent with the Province of Ontario
- July: DOE reviews FOA applications
- Sept: DOE awards \$50.5M for FOAs
- Oct: DOE hosts FOA Recipient Kickoff Meeting

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DOE R&D Awards

| | |
|--|---|
| Remove Market Barriers | Market and Economic Analysis |
| | Environmental Risk Reduction |
| | Manufacturing and Supply Chain Development |
| | Transmission Planning and Interconnection Studies |
| \$16.5M 22 Awards 3 Years | Optimized Infrastructure and Operations |
| | Resource Characterization and Design Conditions |
| | Impact on Electronic Equipment |

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DOE R&D Awards

| | |
|--|--|
| Develop Innovative Technologies | Modeling and Analysis Design Tools |
| | Innovative System Design Studies |
| | Innovative Component Development |
| \$26.5M 19 Awards 5 Years | Computational Tools |
| | Turbine Design Marine Systems Engineering |

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Opportunities for International Collaboration

- Many opportunities for international collaboration
- Hurricanes and typhoons
- Deepwater technology
- Standards and Certification
- Foundation and mooring system design for varying seabed conditions
- Improved operations and maintenance procedures
- Reliability data

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Concluding Remarks

- US Offshore wind opportunity is enormous
- Many projects moving towards installations
- Vigorous R&D program underway to reduce costs and speed deployment
- Particular emphasis on deepwater technology
- Many opportunities for collaboration

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Thank You for Your Attention! Questions?

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Innovations in Offshore Wind Technology through R&D

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NOWITECH in brief

- ▶ NOWITECH is a NOK 320 millions* joint research effort on offshore wind technology, co-financed by the Research Council of Norway, industry and research partners, incl. 25 PhD/post doc grants.
- ▶ The Objective is pre-competitive research laying a foundation for industrial value creation and cost-effective offshore wind farms. Emphasis is on technology for deep sea (+30 m).
- ▶ Our Vision is large scale deployment of deep sea offshore wind turbines, and to be an internationally leading research community on offshore wind technology enabling industry partners to be in the forefront.

*-EUR 40 millions -USD 60 millions

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R&D partners

SINTEF NTNU - Trondheim Norwegian University of Science and Technology **IFE** Institute for Energy Technology

Associate R&D partners

Risø DTU National Laboratory for Sustainable Energy DTU Fraunhofer IWES University of Strathclyde Glasgow TU Delft MIT Massachusetts Institute of Technology NREL NANYANG TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

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Industry partners

Vestas VestasWind NTE Statkraft FEDEM GE Statoil DONG energy EDF Statnett TUBRO FUGRO OCEANO

Associate industry partners

DEVOLD AMT SmartMotor AkerSolutions DNV NORWEA Norsk vindkraftforening EnergiNorge Navitas Network NVE NCE Instrumentation enova INNOVATION NORWAY

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Research Challenges

NOWITECH focus area

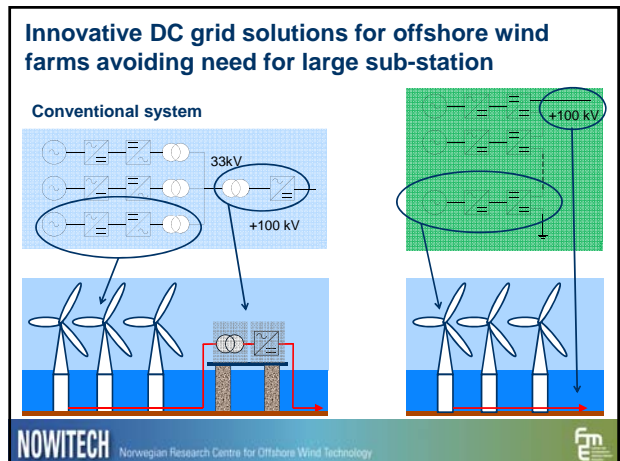
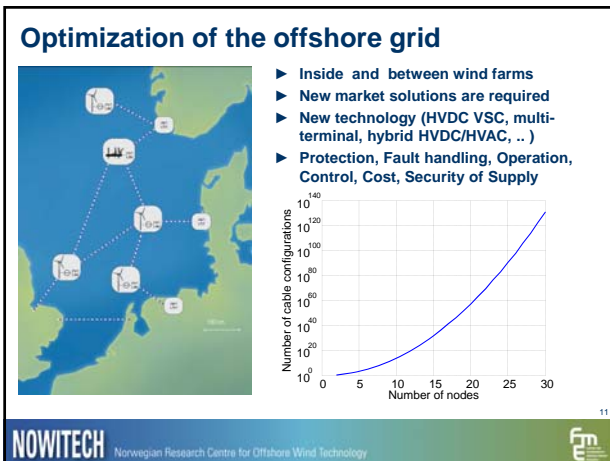
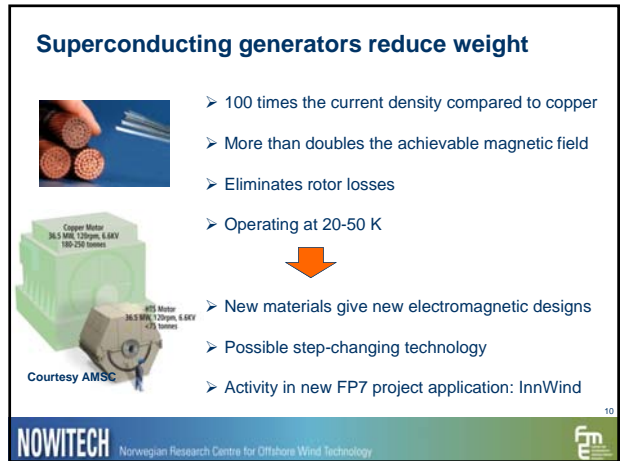
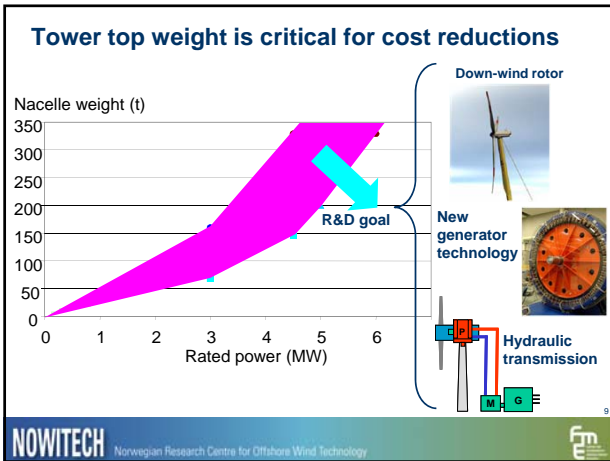
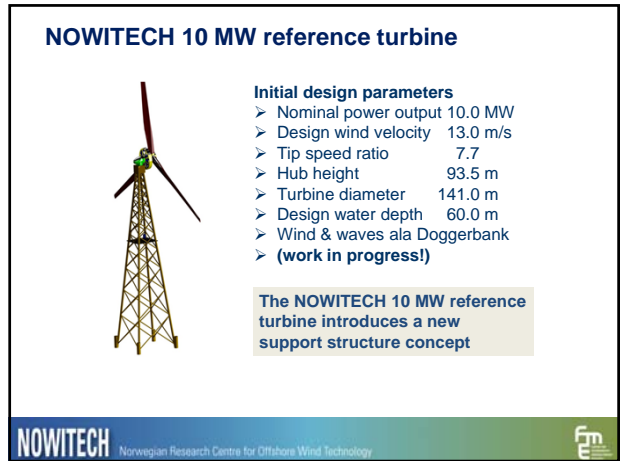
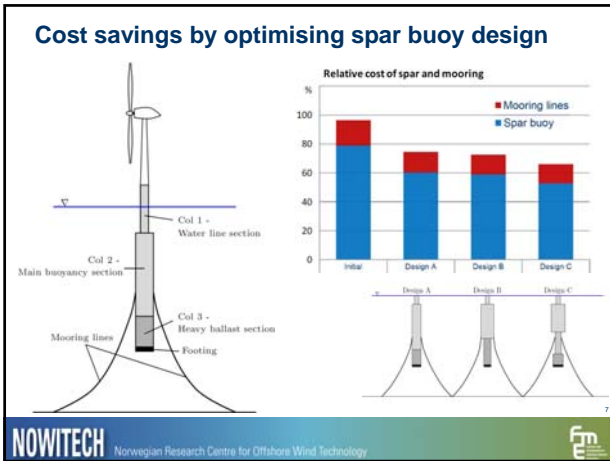
LPC distribution of offshore wind farm (example)

Key issue: Innovations reducing cost of energy from offshore wind

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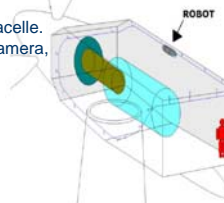
Many exciting floating concepts

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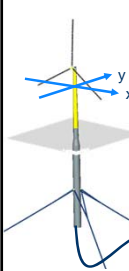
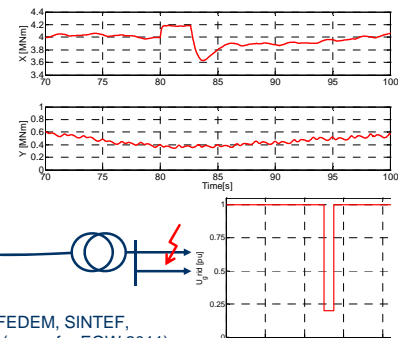
Remote presence reduce O&M costs

- It is costly and sometimes impossible to have maintenance staff visiting offshore turbines
- Remote operation, condition monitoring, maintenance
 - Remote inspection through installation of a small robot train on a track in the nacelle. Equipped with camera, heat sensitive camera, various probes, microphone.
 - Remote maintenance through robotized maintenance actions
 - Autonomous, robust turbine



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Integrating structural dynamics, control and electric model

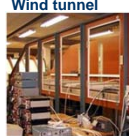
Work in progress with FEDEM, SINTEF, NTNU and Strathclyde (paper for EOW 2011)

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Relevant labs on campus




Ocean basin 80x50x10 m



Wind tunnel



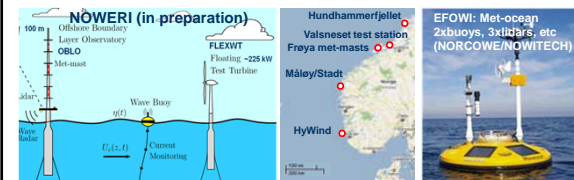
Material testing



SmartGrids lab

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Strong field facilities for R&D



NOWER! (in preparation)
Offshore observatory
OBL0
Met-mast

FLEWT
Floating ~225 kW
Test Turbine

Hundhammerfjellet
Valsneset test station
Freya met-masts

Måley/Stadt
HyWind

EFOW! Met-ocean
2x buoys, 3x lidars, etc
(NORCOWE/NOWITECH)

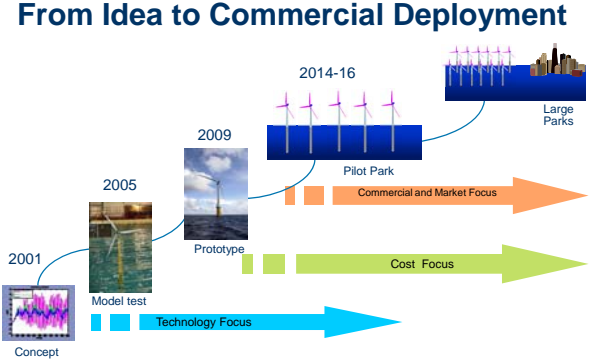
Test station for wind turbines – VIVA AS
Average wind speed 8.4 m/s @ 50 m agl

0.2 MW, 0.9 MW, 2.3 MW

Photo / Visualisation: InterPares AS

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From Idea to Commercial Deployment



2001 Concept
2005 Model test
2009 Prototype
2014-16 Pilot Park
Large Parks

Technology Focus
Cost Focus
Commercial and Market Focus

Graphic is copy from Statoil presentation on HyWind at Wind Power R&D seminar, 20-21 January 2011, Trondheim, Norway

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THE HAVSUL CONCEPT BY VESTAVIND OFFSHORE

- Norway's only granted license for a full scale offshore wind farm
- 350 MW installed effect – estimated yearly energy production up to 1-1,3 TWh

- Floatable foundation solutions for fixed offshore wind turbines
- Inshore assembly of complete windmill including foundation, tower, nacelle and blades
- Offshore installation in one operation, without the need for special purpose vessels



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Rounding up

- ▶ Remarkable results are already achieved by industry and R&D institutes on deep offshore wind technology
- ▶ Technology still in an early phase – Big potential provided technical development and bringing cost down
- ▶ NOWITECH plays a significant role in providing new knowledge as basis for industrial development and cost-effective offshore wind farms at deep sea
- ▶ Cooperation between research and industry is essential for ensuring relevance, quality and value creation
- ▶ Test and demonstration, also in large scale, is vital to bring research results into the market place

We make it possible

Questions?

NOWITECH is a joint 40M€ research effort on offshore wind technology.

- Integrated numerical design tools
- New materials for blades and generators.
- Novel substructures (bottom-fixed and floaters)
- Grid connection and system integration
- Operation and maintenance
- Assessment of novel concepts

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A1 New turbine technology


1st DeepWind 5MW baseline design, Uwe S. Paulsen, Risø DTU

A Method for Analysis of VAWT Aerodynamic Loads under Turbulent Wind and Platform Motion, Karl Merz, Post Doc, NTNU

Multi-Rotors; A Solution to 20 MW and Beyond? Mike Branney, PhD stud, Univ. of Strathclyde

Structural design and analysis of a 10 MW wind turbine blade, Kevin Cox, Phd stud, NTNU

Effect of pitch and safety system design on dimensioning loads for offshore wind turbines during grid fault, Lars Frøyd, PhD stud, NTNU



1st DeepWind 5 MW baseline design

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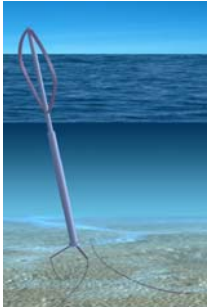
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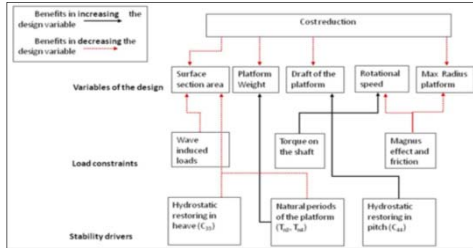
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Design Constraints

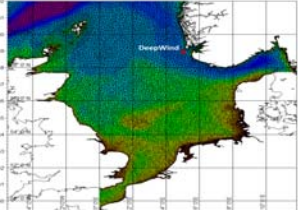


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Introduction

Environmental Conditions Loads

- Current Force Magnus force
- Wave Loads Morrison formulation
- Wind Loads Wind shear
- 3 sea states define the environment at Hywind site
- Evaluation of loads

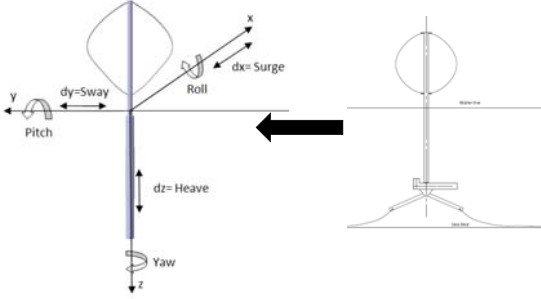


Conditions as per NORSOK:
Surface current (Wind and Waves):
~0.7 m/s
H_s 14m & T_p 16s {3h|Prob ~10⁻²}
Wind speed <25 m/s

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Introduction

1st Design Assumptions



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1st Design Assumptions

- Dynamic stall neglected
- Atmospheric turbulence not considered
- Evaluation of loads with 3 DOF
- No mooring

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Rotor and Blades Design

Rotor Design

Geometry

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------|
| Rotor radius (R_0) | [m] | 63.74 |
| $H/(2R_0)$ | [-] | 1.016 |
| Solidity ($\sigma = Nc/R_0$) | [-] | 0.23 |
| Swept Area | [m ²] | 10743 |

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Rotor and Blades Design

Rotor Design

Performance

| | | |
|------------------------|-------|------|
| Rated power | [kW] | 5000 |
| Rated rotational speed | [rpm] | 5.26 |
| Rated wind speed | [m/s] | 14 |
| Cut in wind speed | [m/s] | 5 |
| Cut out wind speed | [m/s] | 25 |

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Rotor and Blades Design

Blade Design

Pultrusion:

Constant chord over length
 Low manufacturing cost +
 Structural strength for thin profiles -

∴ Structural stiffeners to improve strength in blade cross section

Rotor shape:

Gravity and centrifugal loads are important for VAWT rotor blade shape design
 Pultrusion for Troposkien design over/under dimension the blade at different sections along the blade path
 Present design not fully shape optimized due to less rigidity at low blade weight
 Change of loads for taking into account for gravity over centrifugal loading

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Rotor and Blades Design

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Blade Design

DeepWind 5 MW 1st design, 7.45 m chord
All GRP

EOLE 4MW , 2.4 m chord
GRP and Steel

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Rotor and Blades Design

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Blade Design

Blade length: 189m
Blade weight: 154 tons
Blade thickness: 18%

Rotor blade loads prediction:
taking high gravity load into account

Next design iteration:

- ∴ Change to slightly increased rpm results in a lighter rotor
- ∴ Sectionalize into blade with different thickness and chord lengths

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Floating Platform

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| | | |
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| Total length ($H_0=H_1+H_2+H_3$) | [m] | 108 |
| Depth of the slender part (H_1) | [m] | 5 |
| Radius of the slender part (R_1) | [m] | 3.15 |
| Length of the tapered part (H_2) | [m] | 10 |
| Length of the bottom part (H_3) | [m] | 93 |
| Maximum radius of the platform (R_0) | [m] | 4.15 |

Sufficient buoyancy for payload

Sufficient vertical stiffness

6-DOF

$T_{heave}, T_{pitch}, T_{roll} > T_{wave} (5-25\text{ s})$

Sufficient stiffness in roll and pitch

Acceleration should be limited

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 - Generator state of the art
 - Design approach
 - First iteration dimensions of 5 MW direct drive generator
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Subsea Generator technology

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Generator state of the art

- possible solutions
 - SCIG - Squirrel Cage Induction Generator (Radial Flux RF)
 - DFIG - Doubly Fed Induction Generator (Radial Flux RF)
 - EESG - Electrically Excited Synchronous Generator (Radial Flux RF)
 - PMSG - PM Synchronous Generator (Radial Flux RF)
 - TFPM - Transverse Flux PM Generator
 - AFPM - Axial Flux PM Generator
- Advantages and disadvantages of candidates were investigated
- SWOT analysis was performed to filter the list down to:
 - ☐ Synchronous PM (radial flux)
 - ☐ Synchronous Electrically excited (radial flux)
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Subsea Generator technology 

DeepWind Generator design approach

- Design algorithms for the machines was implemented in code language
 - Usual design rules for power station generators were applied(also subsea environment)
 - Output from design approach:
 - » Dimensions of generator
 - » Mass of active and inactive materials
 - » Losses
- For given output, the $R_p \sim \text{RPM}^{-1}$
- For lower RPM, number of poles increases, so the leakage field (thereby decreasing efficiency). This effect will be minimized by optimization measures of the magnetic field.
- Though cooling conditions are unknown, thermal effects for each candidate are simulated for design rules.
- Power electronic converter features multi kilovolt connection
- Control of shaft speed for control of power flow


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Subsea Generator technology 

First Iteration Dimension for 5 MW Direct Drive Generator


- 5 MW mechanical power at estimated 5.26 rpm and 9.1 MNm shaft torque render a 400 pole 17.53 Hz transverse flux generator design with a pole pitch of around 7.85cm
 - This corresponds to an air-gap diameter of around 10 m outer diameter of around 10.5 m, with a core length of around 1.4 m.
 - Mass of Copper, Iron and permanent magnet materials of around 90 metric tons
 - Design fits reasonable with the platform design

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Design evaluation 

- Design of floating turbine and platform system evaluated with HAWC2
 - Combinations of different direction of waves and currents with respect to wind direction for analysis of loads
- Main results:
 - Platform stability shows that the large inertia of the rotor affects the pitch and the roll mode towards a large natural period
 - Rotor inclination less than 12° in combinations of wave and currents relative to wind direction and inclination less than 6° in still water
 - The tower section at sea water level displaces for the most critical situation about 2 tube diameters both along and perpendicular to wind direction, for still water 1.7 and 0.1 tube diameters, respectively
 - Maximum loads calculated occur at the larger values of the wave height (most critical sea state). SF of 2
 - Mean loads are depending on currents direction. SF of 4.

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Conclusions



- A first iteration design of the 5 MW DeepWind baseline design for Darrieus type floating wind turbine
- Water depths of minimum 150 m is needed to operate the turbine
- The design specifications are circulated amongst the partners of the DeepWind consortium for further iteration in the work packages and for referencing improvements on sub-components level against the baseline design
- Results from the evaluation show that design space issues are still open for improvements

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Conclusions



Next steps in DeepWind project

- To carry out next iterations with reference to baseline design
- To integrate results in the code
 - model testing of currents and wave loads on a rotating cylinder
 - Turbulence effects
 - Dynamic stall
 - Mooring
- To establish a 1 kW demo turbine to be launched in Roskilde fjord by March 2012
- To conduct testing
- To show the turbine/videos during the EWEC 2012 CPH conference

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A Method for Analysis of VAWT Aerodynamic Loads under Turbulent Wind and Platform Motion

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Conclusions

A dynamic inflow method for HAWTs was adapted for VAWTs.

This required the definition of "ghost blades" in order to provide a continuous record of forces (including dynamic stall) for the dynamic inflow calculation.

A study of a simplified model of a floating VAWT indicates that dynamic inflow is not required for predicting overall rotor loads and platform motion, in a turbulent windfield.

Dynamic inflow still provides some advantages, namely that iteration is not required to calculate induced velocities.

It is numerically stable.

Under anomalous conditions, dynamic inflow provides a smooth (and physically realistic) change in induced velocity under abrupt changes in operating conditions.

Overview of existing VAWT aerodynamic methods

Blade Element Momentum
Simple to implement and interpret (can be checked with a hand calculation)
Implicit representation of the wake

Wake Vortex
Explicit model of vorticity in the wake
Superposition of undisturbed flow and induced velocity
Can be "simple" (prescribed wake) intermediate (free wake – lines, panels) advanced (vorticity transport – cells)
Advantage over BEM decreases when flow is stalled
vortex wake is less well-defined uncertainties in dynamic stall models

Full flow domain CFD
Solve Navier Stokes with a turbulence model
Can be advanced (actuator line or surface) more advanced (blades with boundary layers)

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Overview of existing VAWT aerodynamic methods

Key: get a good estimate of induced velocity on the surface swept by the blades, when the windspeed is below rated. (Above rated induced velocity becomes less important.)

I like simple. Use BEM for initial design studies, control system analysis, etc. If needed, refine/verify/certify using more advanced methods.

NREL UAE research turbine (HAWT)
NS-AD: Navier-Stokes, actuator disk
NS-AS: Navier-Stokes, actuator surface
BEM: Blade element momentum
HAWTDAWG: prescribed wake vortex

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BEM for VAWTs: Double-Multiple Streamtube

Single element on the swept surface: induced velocity by momentum balance

$$F = -2\rho A_e f |(V_0 + fV_i) \cdot n| V_i$$

"Double-multiple streamtube": assumptions about flow through the rotor interior
(Things get a bit uncertain when local flow is not aligned with the mean wind direction.)

BEM for VAWTs: Existing Implementations for Turbulent Wind; HAWT Dynamic Inflow

Existing VAWT-BEM implementations assume that the induced velocity is either:
calculated upfront based upon mean flow and thereafter held constant (Homiez) or
calculated iteratively such that the momentum equation is satisfied at each timestep (Malcolm).

$$F = -2\rho A_e f |(V_0 + fV_i) \cdot n| V_i$$

HAWTs: BEM with dynamic inflow

TUDk model (Snel and Schepers):

$$v' + \tau_1 \frac{dv'}{dt} = v_q + 0.6\tau_1 \frac{dv_q}{dt}; \quad \tau_1 = \frac{1.1}{1 - 1.3a} \left(\frac{R}{|V_0|} \right) \quad a = \frac{|V_i|}{|V_0|}$$

$$v + \tau_2 \frac{dv}{dt} = v'; \quad \tau_2 = \left[0.39 - 0.26 \left(\frac{r}{R} \right)^2 \right] \tau_1$$

A time-lag on induced velocity which represents wake development
No iteration: $(V_0 + fV_i)$ is evaluated based on values from the previous timestep.

Homiez GF. Numerical Simulation of VAWT Stochastic Aerodynamic Loads Produced by Atmospheric Turbulence. VAWT-SAL Code. Report SAND91-1124, Sandia National Laboratories, Albuquerque, NM, USA, 1991. Malcolm DJ. Darrieus rotors subject to turbulent inflow. Engineering Structures 10 (1988) 125-134. Snel H, Schepers JG. Joint Investigation of Dynamic Inflow Effects and Implementation of an Engineering Method. Report ECN-C-94-107, Energy Research Centre of the Netherlands, Petten, The Netherlands, 1995.

Dynamic Inflow for VAWTs

The HAWT TUDk method was adapted to VAWTs. Same equations, using $r/R = 0.7$

Why should the HAWT model be applicable to VAWTs? Similarity in wake structure.

Scheurich et al. Vermeer et al.

Scheurich F, et al. Simulating the aerodynamic performance and wake dynamics of a vertical-axis wind turbine. Wind Energy 14 (2011) 159-177. Vermeer LJ, et al. Wind turbine wake aerodynamics. Progress in Aerospace Sciences 39 (2003) 467-510.

Ghost Blades for Dynamic Inflow Forces

Problem:
The blades need a dynamic stall model that evolves with blade motion.
Dynamic inflow needs a continuous record of forces at fixed locations on the swept surface.

Solution: ghost blades.
Ghost blades rotate about the azimuth just as real blades.
Forces/dynamic stall are calculated at both real and ghost blades.
Forces at the surface elements (dynamic inflow) are interpolated.
Forces for structural analysis are taken only from the real blades.

Dynamic Inflow on Floating VAWTs

Hypothesis:
Dynamic inflow might influence the motions of a floating platform.

$$v' + \tau_1 \frac{dv'}{dt} = v_q + 0.6\tau_1 \frac{dv_q}{dt}$$

$$v + \tau_2 \frac{dv}{dt} = v'$$

$$\tau_1 = \frac{1.1}{1 - 1.3a} \left(\frac{R}{|V_0|} \right)$$

$$\tau_2 = \left[0.39 - 0.26 \left(\frac{r}{R} \right)^2 \right] \tau_1$$

Curve A: $R = 50 \text{ m}; |V_0| = 8 \text{ m/s}; a = 0.20; \tau_1 = 9.3 \text{ s}; \tau_2 = 2.4 \text{ s}$
Curve B: $R = 50 \text{ m}; |V_0| = 15 \text{ m/s}; a = 0.10; \tau_1 = 4.2 \text{ s}; \tau_2 = 1.1 \text{ s}$

Simple Model of a Floating VAWT

Simple platform model, generic rotor
 $D = 130 \text{ m}$
 $M = 5 \times 10^6 \text{ kg}$

Turbulent windfield (Mann)
 $I = 0.2$

Rigid blades

Simple induction generator
 $\Omega = 0.5 \text{ rad/s}$
 $dT/d\Omega = 2 \times 10^9 \text{ Nms/rad}$

Time-domain simulation

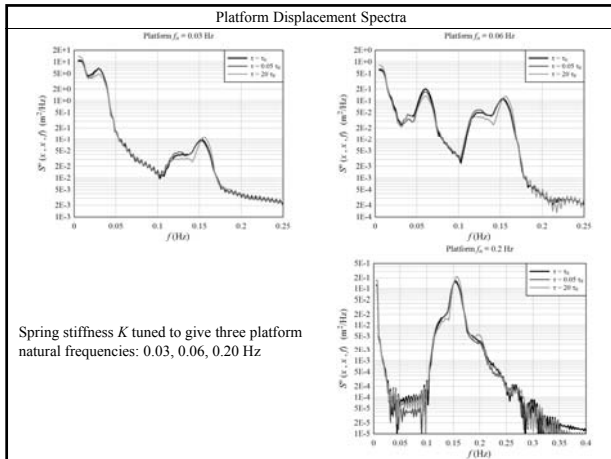
Mann J. Wind field simulation. Probabilistic Engineering Mechanics 13 (1998) 269-282.

Induced Velocity

Compare:
Constant V_i
Dynamic inflow
Quasi-steady V_i (as would be obtained by iteration at each timestep)

(Simulated by adjusting the time constants)

Rotor Load Spectra



Results

Dynamic inflow is not required for predicting overall rotor loads and platform motion, in a turbulent windfield.

This is really nice, because it means that for platform and control system design studies, a table of rotor loads can be generated upfront.

Calculate the average incoming wind velocity vector, including platform motion.
Find the rotor azimuth angle Ψ relative to the average wind velocity vector.
Look up the first couple Fourier components in Ψ , based upon V_∞ and Ω , to find global rotor loads.

Example of torque:

$$T = \bar{T} + T_1 \cos(N_b \Psi + \epsilon_1) + T_2 \cos(2N_b \Psi + \epsilon_2)$$

where \bar{T} , T_1 , T_2 , ϵ_1 and ϵ_2 are functions of V_∞ and Ω , determined as best-fits to BEM time series.

Conclusions

A dynamic inflow method for HAWTs was adapted for VAWTs.

This required the definition of "ghost blades" in order to provide a continuous record of forces (including dynamic stall) for the dynamic inflow calculation.

A study of a simplified model of a floating VAWT indicates that dynamic inflow is not required for predicting overall rotor loads and platform motion, in a turbulent windfield.

Dynamic inflow still provides some advantages, namely that iteration is not required to calculate induced velocities.

It is numerically stable.


Under anomalous conditions, dynamic inflow provides a smooth (and physically realistic) change in induced velocity under abrupt changes in operating conditions.

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Multi-Rotors: A Solution to 20MW and Beyond?

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Presentation Overview


- An introduction to Multi-Rotors.
- Why should you be interested?
- The core principles of wind turbine scaling.
- Preliminary analysis and metrics.
- Conclusions.

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Multi-Rotors

- Defined as: More than one rotor on a single structure.
- Has existed as a concept since early 20th century
- Fallen by the way side due to improved blade technology
- Looks to turn the weight disadvantage of large rotors upside down

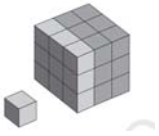


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Relative Merits

- Benefits from higher area/volume ratio.
- Can follow the rotor radius vs. blade mass curve backwards.
- Potential for huge mass savings which may account for equally large cost savings.



$$R = \frac{n \cdot m}{M} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$$

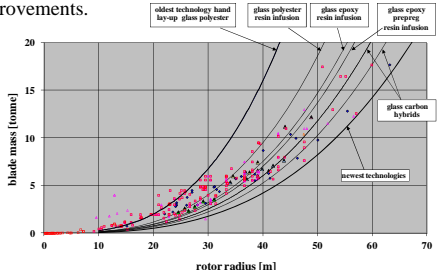
*R = The weight ratio vs. 1 equivalent rotor
N = the number of rotors*

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Scaling with Similarity

- Rotor mass scales as the cube of diameter whereas power scales only the square of diameter.
- So far this trend is hidden by blade technology improvements.



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Some Numbers!

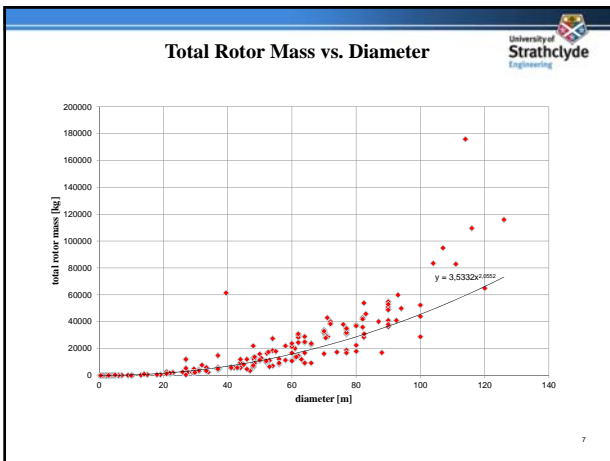
- Comparing to manufacturers data sheets;

| | | |
|--------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| <i>Enercon (7.5MW)</i> | THM = 650t | P/W = 0.0115 |
| <i>Repower (5MW)</i> | THM = 410t | P/W = 0.0122 |
| <i>V164 (7MW)</i> | THM ~ 530t | P/W = 0.0132 |
| <i>Enercon120 (6MW)</i> | THM = 440t | P/W = 0.01364 |
| <i>Multi-Brid (5MW)</i> | THM = 310t | P/W = 0.0161 |
| <i>Vestas120 (4.5MW)</i> | THM = 214t | P/W = 0.02103 |
| <i>Enercon (330kW)</i> | THM = 18.81t | P/W = 0.01754 |
| <i>RE Power (600kW)</i> | THM = 36.8t | P/W = 0.01630 |

- Power/Mass ratio not noticeable at 5MW but becomes apparent at 6 and 7MW where the ratio scales worse than cubically!

THM – Top Head Mass (Nacelle + Rotor), Metric Tonnes
P/W – Power to Weight Ratio, kW/kg

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Preliminary Comparison

Overview

Pertinent Assumptions

- Costs split 30/40/30 Turbine/Infrastructure/O&M
- Cost of main yaw bearings, tower, grid connection etc. comparative for both multi-rotor and single 20MW rotors.
- Unknown quantities for MRS scaled by factors of 2 or more (conservative).

Some More Numbers!

Multi-rotor system with 45 rotors (this number is arbitrary and the benefits increase with ever increasing rotor numbers.)

| MULTI ROTOR LIFE COST ASSESSMENT | Cost Fractions | Reference Design | Large Single Rotor | Equivalent Multi Rotor |
|----------------------------------|----------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| No of rotors | | 1 | 1 | 45 |
| Diameter @ 350 W/m ² | | 135 | 270 | 40 |
| Power rating [MW] | | 5 | 20 | 20 |
| Rotor | 0.086 | 1542 | 12690 | 1892 |
| Drive train & nacelle | 0.157 | 2802 | 18588 | 7544 |
| Control & Safety System | 0.002 | 36 | 47 | 1055 |
| Tower | 0.035 | 622 | 622 | 1865 |
| TURBINE CAPITAL COST | 0.281 | 5000 | 31947 | 12355 |
| BALANCE OF PLANT COST | 0.420 | 7487 | 41560 | 39359 |
| O&M | 0.300 | 5347 | 15506 | 12055 |
| TOTAL (costs €1000) | 1.000 | 17834 | 89013 | 63770 |

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Conclusions

The results suggest that four 5MW wind turbines will cost ~ 80% of a single 20MW wind turbine. A 20MW multi-rotor system can further reduce cost to ~89% of four 5MW wind turbines or ~ 70% of a 20 MW single wind turbine.

Results are sensitive to many assumptions but suggest that the multi-rotor concept deserves more intensive research.

Hopefully proof that there is still a requirement for an investigation into alternative wind energy concepts!

Thank you!

Any Questions?



Expanded Cost Analysis Table

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| Rotor | 0.086 | 1542 | 12690 | 1892 |
| Blades | 0.052 | 920 | 7360 | 1097 |
| Hub | 0.022 | 398 | 3183 | 474 |
| Pitch mechanism and bearings | 0.013 | 224 | 2148 | 320 |
| Drive train & nacelle | 0.157 | 2802 | 18588 | 7544 |
| Low speed shaft | 0.007 | 124 | 995 | 148 |
| Bearings | 0.004 | 68 | 547 | 82 |
| Gearbox | 0.053 | 939 | 7509 | 1119 |
| Mechanical brake, HS coupling | 0.001 | 10 | 41 | 41 |
| Generator | 0.020 | 348 | 1393 | 1393 |
| Variable speed electronics | 0.020 | 359 | 1435 | 3871 |
| Yaw drive and bearing | 0.004 | 75 | 597 | 89 |
| Main frame | 0.022 | 398 | 3183 | 474 |
| Electrical connections | 0.012 | 213 | 853 | 1023 |
| Hydraulic system | 0.002 | 44 | 246 | 37 |
| Nacelle cover | 0.013 | 224 | 1790 | 267 |
| Control & Safety System | 0.002 | 36 | 47 | 1055 |
| Tower | 0.035 | 622 | 622 | 1865 |
| TURBINE CAPITAL COST | 0.281 | 5000 | 31947 | 12355 |
| Foundations | 0.163 | 2903 | 23225 | 23225 |
| Insulation | 0.077 | 1375 | 11001 | 8801 |
| Electrical and grid connection | 0.129 | 2292 | 6417 | 6417 |
| Sundry (survey, insurance etc) | 0.051 | 917 | 917 | 917 |
| BALANCE OF PLANT COST | 0.420 | 7487 | 41560 | 39359 |
| Parts | 0.045 | 802 | 6416 | 1148 |
| Labour | 0.255 | 4545 | 9090 | 10908 |
| O&M | 0.300 | 5347 | 15506 | 12055 |
| TOTAL (costs €1000) | 1.000 | 17834 | 89013 | 63770 |

Structural design and analysis of a 10 MW wind turbine blade

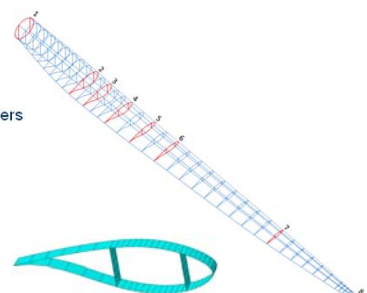
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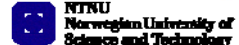
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Outline



- ▶ Motivation
- ▶ Objective
- ▶ 10 MW turbine parameters
- ▶ Blade structural design
- ▶ Simulations performed
- ▶ Design strategy
- ▶ Simulation results
- ▶ Optimization studies
- ▶ Future studies
- ▶ Conclusions



Motivation



- ▶ Little information publically available on blade structure
 - Significant lack of
 - Composite layups
 - Buckling studies
- ▶ Many existing studies on blade structure use simplified loading conditions
 - Omit gravity and centrifugal loads
 - Simplified wind (lift) loads, no drag or torsional loads
- ▶ Airfoil skin is often not included in FE studies
 - Has little effect on bending stiffness
 - Very significant for buckling studies

Objective

To specify the structural aspects of a 70 m blade to be used as a reference case for future research projects

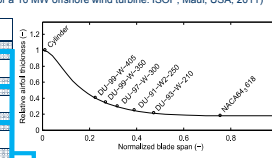
- ▶ Designed with respect to industry standard failure criteria for composites
- ▶ Select appropriate materials
- ▶ Determine composite layout
 - Ply thickness, number, stacking sequence
 - Fiber orientations
 - Ply drop locations
- ▶ Investigate optimization techniques
 - Composite sandwich structures
 - Adaptive blade: bend-twist coupling

10 MW Turbine and Blade Parameters



▶ Defined in [Frayd and Dahlhaug. Rotor design for a 10 MW offshore wind turbine. ISOP, Maui, USA, 2011]

| Turbine specifications parameters | |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Rated power | 10 MW |
| Rotor configuration | 3 blades, upwind |
| Design, rated wind speed | 13 - 15-16 m/s |
| Design, Optimal TSR | 7.3, 7.64 |
| Max. tip velocity | 90 m/s |
| Tilt & coning angles | $\theta_{pitch} = 5^\circ$, $\theta_{cone} = 2^\circ$ |
| Control | Variable speed & pitch |
| Rotor diameter | 141 m |
| Blade length | 88 m + 2.47 m inside root |
| Twist angles | $0^\circ - 13.7^\circ$ |
| Max tip deflection (m) | 8.5 (rotating), 11.5 (parked) |
| Natural freq. of blade | above 0.671 Hz |

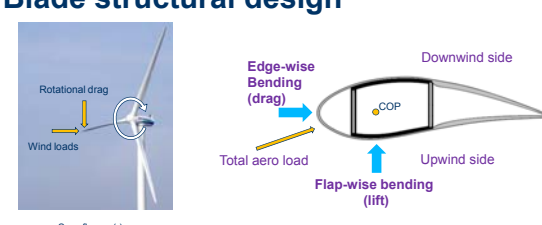


Short blades with Large wind loads gives High power output



HAWC2 analyses performed to give aerodynamic loads on blades

Blade structural design



| Component | Structural function |
|--------------|--|
| Airfoil skin | Edge-wise: torsional stiffness |
| Spar flanges | Flap-wise bending stiffness Buckling resistance |
| Shear webs | Shear stiffness |

Simulations Performed in Abaqus

| | EWM | EOG |
|-------------|---------|------------|
| Wind speed | 70 m/s | 19.3 m/s |
| Omega | 0 rad/s | 1.28 rad/s |
| Blade pitch | 90° | 0° |
| Yaw error | 15° | 0° |

EWM (extreme wind speed model)
EOG (extreme operating gust)

Nonlinear quasi-static
Nonlinear nat. freq.
Nonlinear buckling

Blade position

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What is buckling?

- Instability failure due to compressive forces
 - Buckling failure occurs **before** the ultimate compressive stress/strain of the material
 - Nonlinear phenomenon
 - Buckling occurs at a critical load (force) at which the structure fails: $F_{crit} \propto \frac{1}{length^2}$

Compare critical load for different rod lengths (Constant cross-section and stiffness)

| Rod length | Normalized critical load |
|------------|--------------------------|
| 50 meters | 100% |
| 60 meters | 69% |
| 70 meters | 51% |

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Design strategy: composite layup

- Iterative procedure
 - Blade split into 38 sections
 - One ply added to one section at a time
 - Symmetric and balanced layup
 - Equivalent layups on upwind and downwind sides
 - No more than 2 plies (4 mm) could start or stop at any section

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Spar flange layup

- Bending stiffness (flap-wise)
 - Carbon fiber plies stacked until strain failure and deflection criteria avoided
- Buckling resistance
 - $\pm 45^\circ$ glass fiber plies added until critical load was > design load * SF
- Aerodynamic shell and shear web layups presented in the paper

| Material | E_{xx} | E_{yy} | G_{xy} | ν_{xy} | ρ | Thickness | Wt % of spar flange |
|----------------------|----------|----------|----------|------------|------------------------|-----------|---------------------|
| Carbon | 138 GPa | 9 GPa | 6.5 GPa | 0.32 | 1580 kg/m ³ | 2.0 mm | 38.9% |
| G ^o Glass | 41 GPa | 9 GPa | 4.1 GPa | 0.30 | 1890 kg/m ³ | 1.0 mm | 61.1% |

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Simulation results

| Load case | Result | Position 1 | Pos. 2 | Pos. 3 | Pos. 4 |
|-----------|-------------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------|
| EOG | Tip flap def. (m) | 5.052 | 5.072 | 5.120 | 5.115 |
| | Max strain (%) | 0.198 | 0.270 | 0.194 | 0.166 |
| | Min strain (-%) | 0.167 | 0.277 | 0.170 | 0.168 |
| | Crit. buckling | 2.005 | 1.898 | 1.666 | 1.872 |
| EWM | Tip flap def. (m) | 4.723 | --NA-- | 4.795 | --NA-- |
| | Max strain (%) | 0.181 | --NA-- | 0.176 | --NA-- |
| | Min strain (-%) | 0.154 | --NA-- | 0.159 | --NA-- |
| | Crit. buckling | 1.751 | --NA-- | 1.659 | --NA-- |

- EOG, Pos. 3 → Maximum tip deflection
- EWM, Pos. 3 → Critical buckling load
- EOG, Pos. 2 → minimum edgewise strain
- Critical buckling load drops by 26% in absence of airfoil skin

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Simulation results

Strain during EOG, pos. 3

Strain to failure = 0.302%

- This study: root connection not included
- HAWC2 study: buckling not included

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Optimization study #1: Sandwich structure

- ▶ Background
 - Increase structural performance with a minimal weight gain
 - 2 stiff skins separated by a lightweight core material
 - (Composite) skins provide bending stiffness
 - Core provides shear stiffness
- ▶ Optimization study
 - Implement 30 mm of core material in spar flanges
 - Decrease in bending stiffness
 - Increase in critical buckling load
 - Small increase in weight

weight flexural rigidity

1 (+ core) 12

Core with high shear stiffness

Core with low shear stiffness

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Optimization study #2: Adaptive blade

- ▶ Background
 - Ability of a blade to adapt to changes in loading conditions
 - Improved efficiency
 - Longer fatigue life
 - Reduce magnitude of high load conditions, ex. EOG
 - Composite materials can exhibit bend-twist coupling due to unbalanced layup
- ▶ Optimization study
 - Rotate all 0° carbon fibers by 20°
 - Twist induced towards feather (load reduction)
 - Decrease in flap-wise bending stiffness
 - Zero change in mass

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Results of optimization studies

| Optimization study | Tip flap def. | Min. Strain | Crit. buckling load | Total mass | EOG Tip twist | EOG Nat. freq. |
|--------------------|------------------------|------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Sandwich | 5.40 m 5.5% | -0.204% 5.4% | 2.27 36.8% | 26086 kg 4.3% | -1.0° 31.2% | 0.706 Hz -3.9% |
| Adaptive | 7.94 m 55.0% | -0.259% 52.3% | 1.68 0.9% | 24935 kg 0.0% | 6.6° -853.8% | 0.583 Hz -20.6% |

EOG Twist angle along radius

Tip deflection and twist

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Future studies

- ▶ Is the blade too stiff?
 - 8.5 m tip deflection allowed, but only 5.1 m achieved
- ▶ Fatigue
 - Edgewise
 - Flapwise
- ▶ Dynamic (wind gust) studies
 - Initial studies suggested no issues
- ▶ Bend-twist coupling
 - What does 6.6° twist mean for the turbine power output?
 - Is there load reduction and can it lessen requirements elsewhere in the turbine?

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Conclusions

- ▶ Structural components of a 70 m blade were designed
 - Materials
 - Composite layouts
- ▶ The blade was designed to withstand EOG and EWM load conditions
 - Tip deflection
 - Material strains
 - Critical buckling load
 - Natural frequency
- ▶ Optimization studies were performed and showed potential for further blade optimization
 - Sandwich structures: 36.8% increase in critical buckling load with 4.3% increase in mass
 - Bend-twist coupled blade: 6.6° of tip twist achieved during EOG

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Questions

Thank you for your attention!



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Effect of pitch and safety system design on dimensioning loads for offshore wind turbines during grid fault



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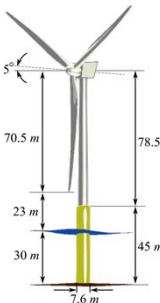



Objective of study

- ▶ Investigate the potential to reduce the ultimate loads on WT substructures by optimizing the pitch system design (hardware)
 - Detailed dynamic modelling of the pitch system
 - Design of a basic (but sufficient) control system
 - Aero-servo-hydro-elastic simulation of WT with pitch model
- ▶ Goal: To reduce the ultimate loads on the WT from extreme load cases (EOG with grid fault) => reduce the cost
 - Without increasing complexity / reducing safety redundancy






Wind turbine characteristics



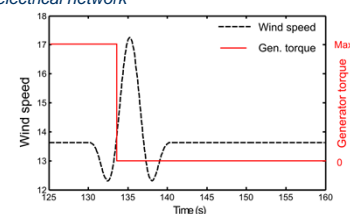
| Design basis | | Turbine key figures | |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Location | North Sea | Rated power | 10 MW |
| Air density | $\rho = 1.225 \text{ kg/m}^3$ | Design wind speed | 13 m/s |
| Design class | IEC Ib | Optimum TSR | 7.8 |
| Average wind speed | 10 m/s | Max. tip velocity | 100 m/s |
| Weibull parameters | scaling: 11.23 shape: 2.17 | Shaft tilt angle | 5° |
| Extreme wind speed | 1 year: 56 m/s | Hub coning angle | 0° |
| | 50 year: 70 m/s | Rotor speed range | 5.5 - 13.5 rpm |
| | | Tower frequency | 0.25 Hz |

| Blade key figures | | Blade frequencies | |
|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|---------|
| Length | 68 m | 1 st flapwise freq. | 0.79 Hz |
| Mass | 26.5 t | 1 st edgewise freq. | 1.06 Hz |
| Pitch inertia | 68 500 kgm ² | 2 nd flapwise freq. | 2.08 Hz |
| Aspect ratio | 17.7 | 2 nd edgewise freq. | 3.63 Hz |
| Root diameter | 3.46 m | 3 rd flapwise freq. | 4.27 Hz |
| Pre-curve | 4.3 % of radius | 1 st torsional freq. | 7.47 Hz |






Load case

▶ In design standards for offshore wind (IEC/DNV/GL):
DLC 2.3 - EOG with external or internal electrical fault including loss of electrical network

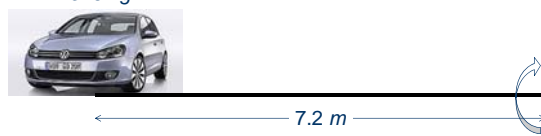




▶ Very unlikely, but also very severe load combination that could be dimensioning for overturning moment

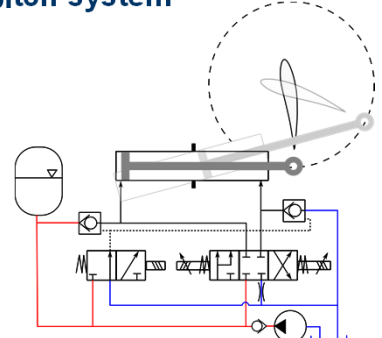





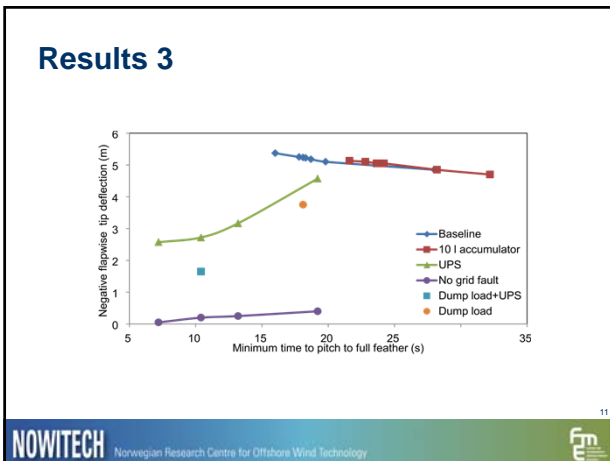
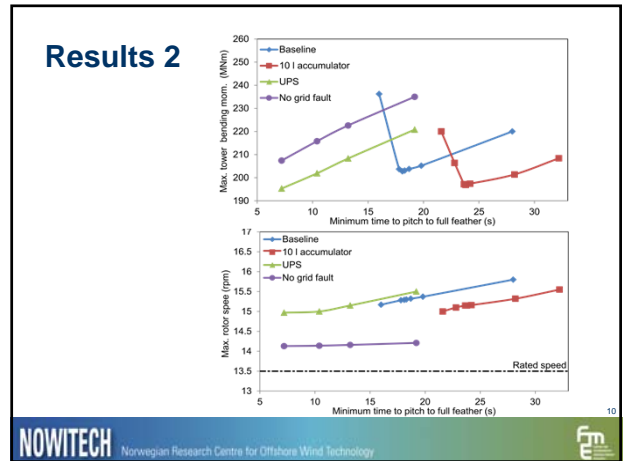
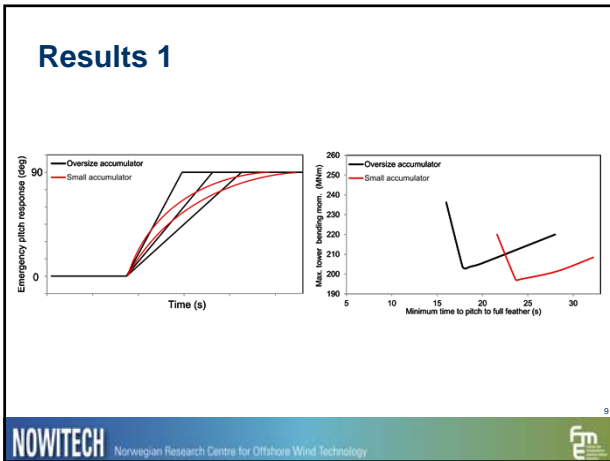
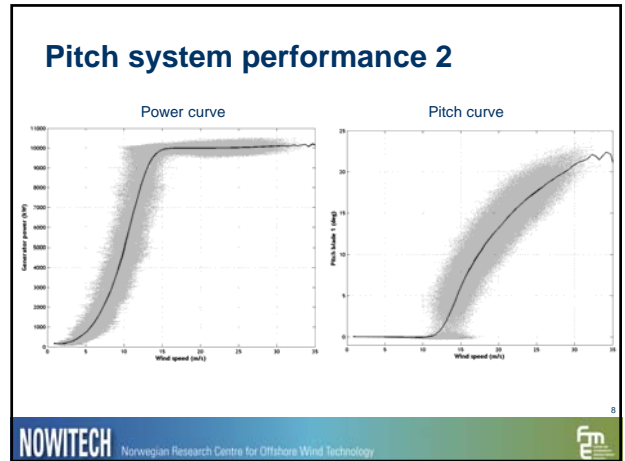
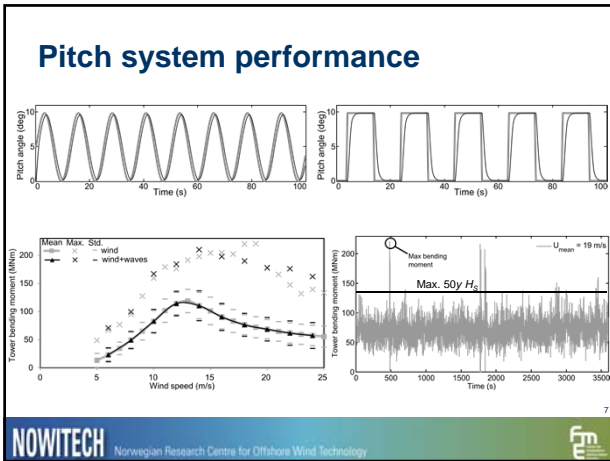
The pitch system

1318 kg

The pitch system



Conclusion

- ▶ The loads during an emergency shutdown depend heavily on the pitch velocity, and both too high or too low velocities will increase the bending moments in the tower and foundation
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- ▶ It is possible to reduce these loads (somewhat) by increasing the dimensions of the pitch system (considerably).
- ▶ The only thing that appears to be dominated by the grid fault is the negative flapwise blade deflection, which is most relevant for a downwind turbine.
- ▶ It is possible to reduce this deflection using UPS and dump load.

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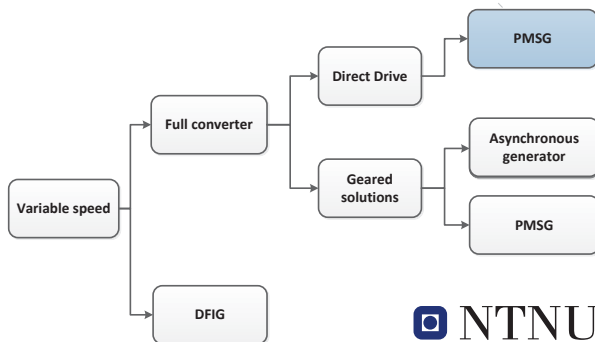
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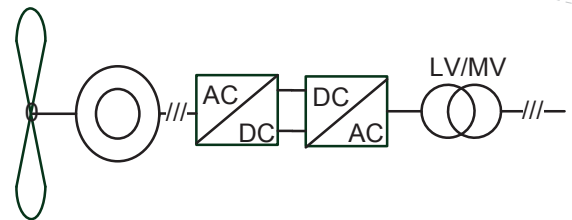
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Cost is driven both by total rating and number of turbines.

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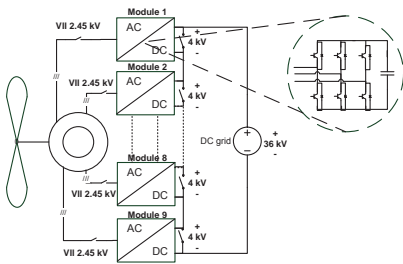
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Motivation for Transformer-Less Offshore Generator Drive:

- Reduce weight of nacelle
- Opens possibilities for modularity
- Facilitates operation and maintenance

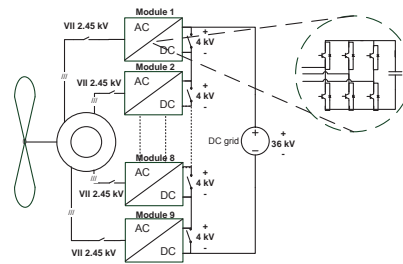
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Converter topology



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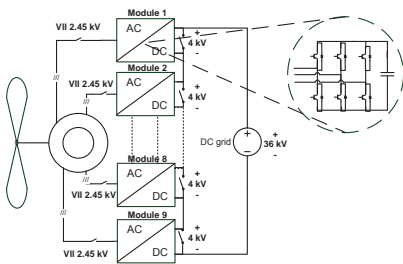
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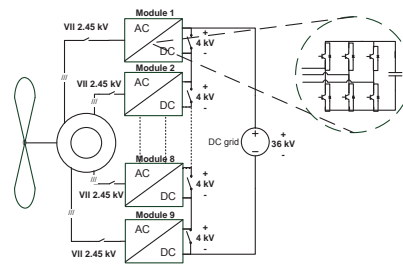
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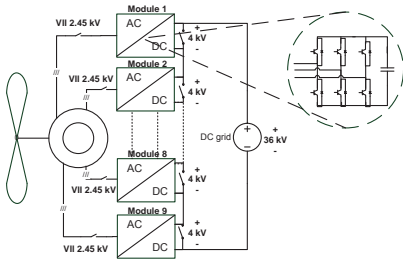
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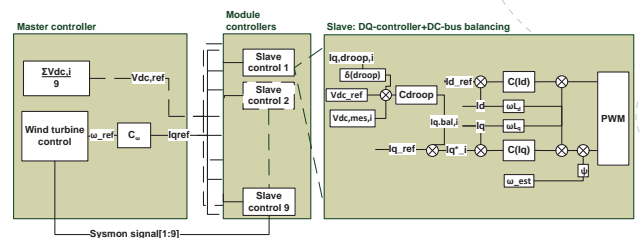
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- Not standard system

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Main control system

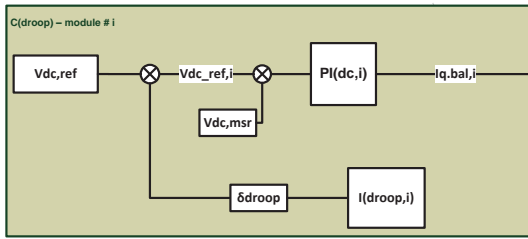
Structure



- Main control strategy - Controlling power (speed)
- Additional objective: Maintain all 9 DC-bus voltages equal

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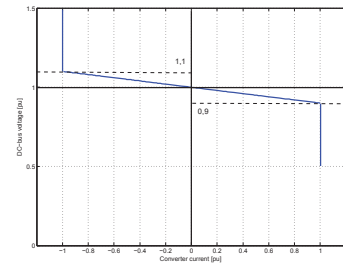
DC-bus balancing control



- PI-regulator for dynamic control
- Droop control for static regulation
- Controller output: Addition to torque reference

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Droop characteristics



- Limit: 1 ± 0.1 pu (DC-voltage)
- $I_{droop} = 0 \rightarrow V_{dc,ref,i} = V_{dc,nom}$

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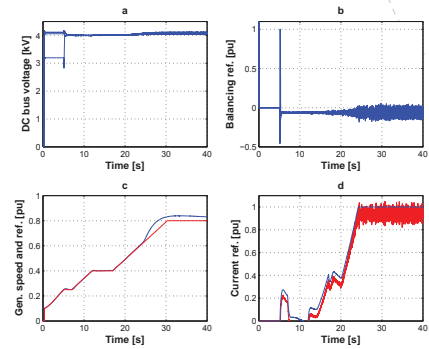
Simulations in PSCAD

The following assumptions were made for the simulation model

- Each module of the generator can be represented by a 3-phase generator model
- Stiff mechanical shaft
- Semiconductors \rightarrow ideal switches
- The DC-grid can be represented by a DC-voltage source (infinite bus) and a resistor for the losses

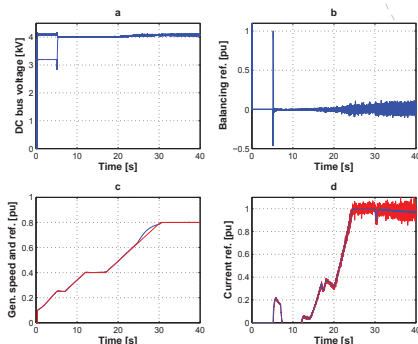
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Case I: PI-controller



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Case II: Droop



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Conclusion

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10 MW reference turbine

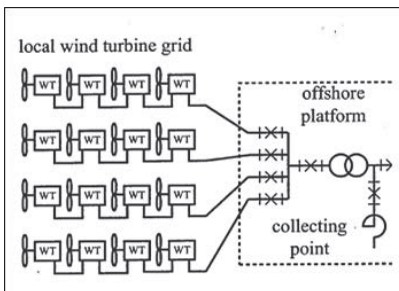
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- Generator design base
- Converter design base
- Transformer definitions



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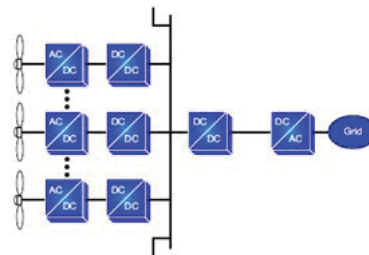


- 36 kV AC
- 50 Hz
- Grid code to apply: UK



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Definition of collection grid-II

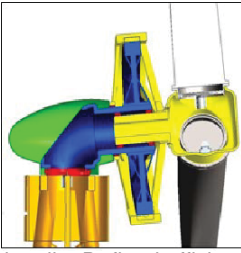


- 36 kV DC
- Grid code to apply: UK



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Generator design base



- Permanent magnet
- Stator nominal voltage: 4 kV
- Frequency range: 15 - 30 Hz
- Estimated weight: 310 tons

Additionally: Defined efficiency curve for both generator and drive, as function of loading.

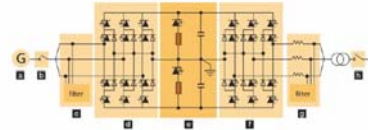


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Converter design base



- Back-to-back configuration
- 3-level NPC topology
- DC-choppers for protection
- Switch technology: IGBTs

For a DC grid: The inverter and transformer is replaced with a DC/DC converter



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Transformer definitions

The transformer definitions are only valid for the AC-grid option

- Transformation ratio of 1:9
- Estimated weight: 30 tons
- Liquid/Oil filled

Located in the nacelle, due to cabling issues and maintenance.



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Large superconducting wind turbine generators: Driving down the cost?

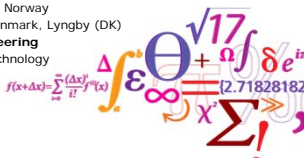
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Session A1: New turbine technology

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- Motivation for superconducting generators
- How to use superconductors in a generator?
- Superconductor wires and coils:
 - MgB₂, Bi₂Sr₂Ca₂Cu₃O_{10+x}, or YBa₂Cu₃O_{6+x}
- 5 MW generator to fit NREL reference turbine
 - Compare YBCO & MgB₂
- Superconducting wind turbine generator roadmap
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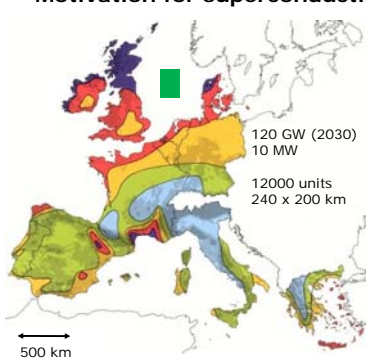


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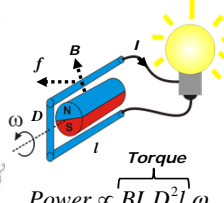
Generator: P = 10 MW
 D = 5 m, L = 5 m
 m = 180 tons

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Motivation for superconducting generator



120 GW (2030)
 10 MW
 12000 units
 240 x 200 km



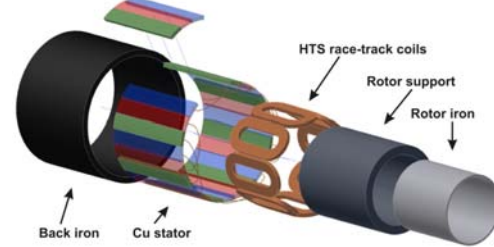
$Power \propto BI D^2 l \omega$

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|---|
| 1G : Copper + Iron |
| 2G : R₂Fe₁₄B magnets+Fe 10 MW ~ 6 tons PM |
| 3G : RBa₂Cu₃O_{6+x} HTS + Fe 10 MW ~ 10 kg RBCO |

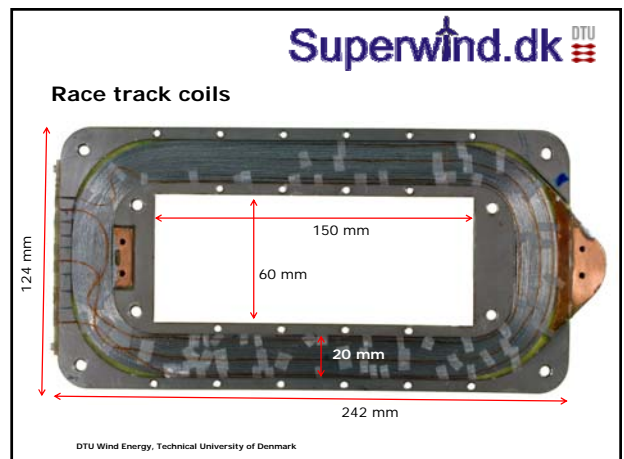
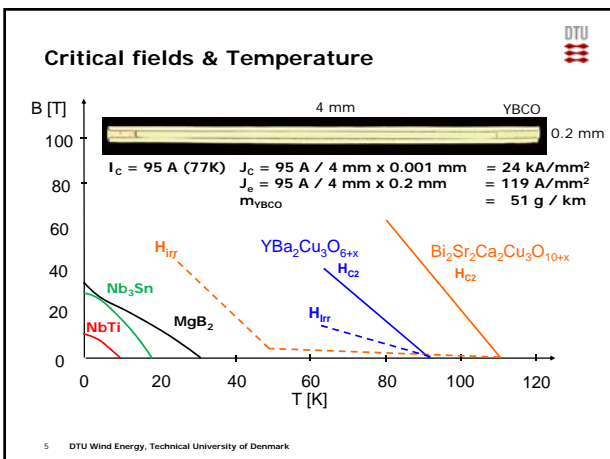
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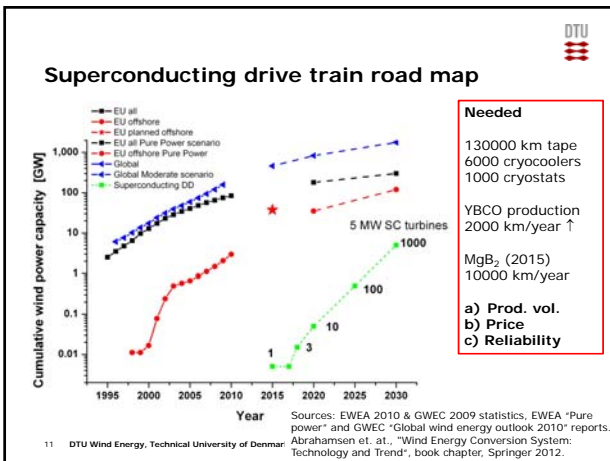
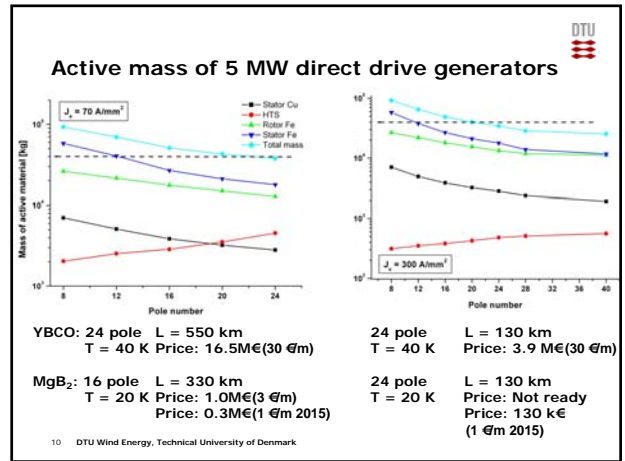
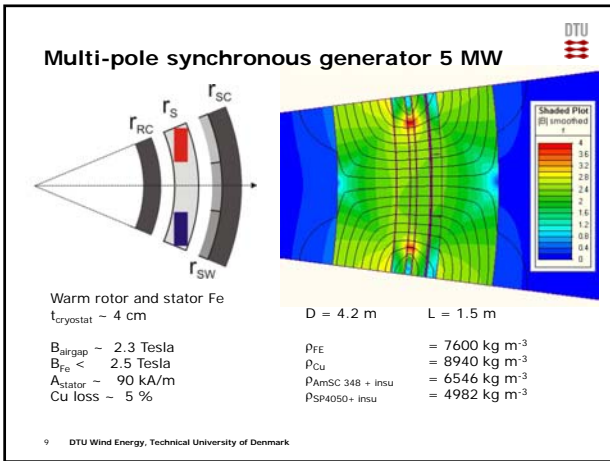
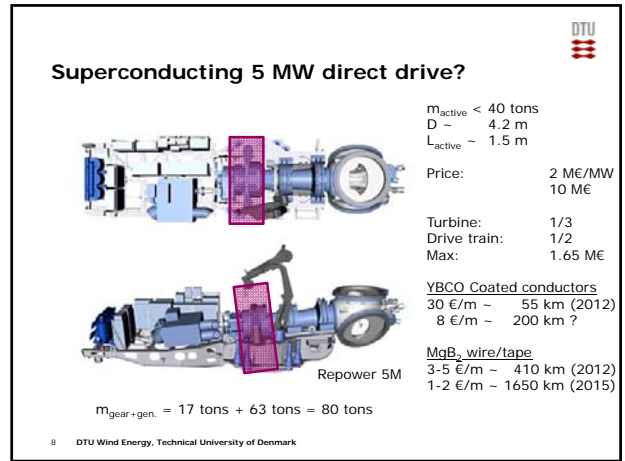
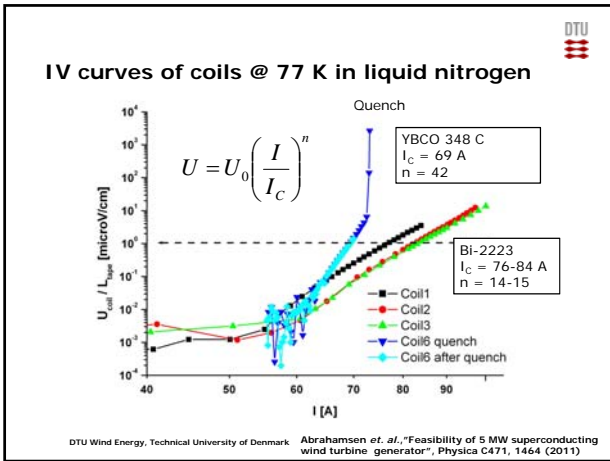
Superconducting direct drive

Magnetic flux $\Phi = LI$
 Joule loss Cu: $P = R I^2$
 SC: $P = U_0 (I/I_c)^n I$
B_{air gap} can exceed saturation of iron



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Conclusion

- Superconducting direct drive offers higher torque in the same package
- Air gap flux density higher than saturation of iron is possible
- Race track coils of high temperature superconductors obtained
- Superconductor properties extrapolated to 5 MW direct drive generator
- Electromagnetic - thermal - structural design challenge
 - Trade off between high operation temperature, high current density and cost
 - YBCO: $T = 40 \text{ K}$ J_c ok Cost: Too high
 - MgB₂: $T = 20 \text{ K}$, J_c close Cost: Close - Promising
- SC roadmap: Start addressing reliability as production volume is scaled up!

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Technological advances in Hydraulic Drivetrains for Wind Turbines

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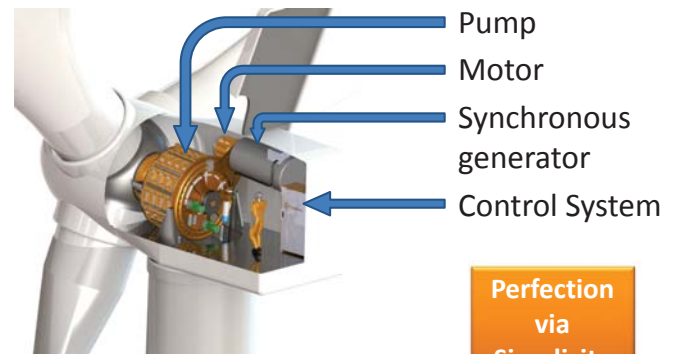
- ❑ Developed by leading scientists and product developers in hydraulic systems and turbine technology since 2004. The company was formally founded in 2006.
- ❑ 20 employees in Norway, Denmark, UK and China
- ❑ Current funding secured in 2010 - EUR 10 mill from the investors:
 - ❑ NorthZone Ventures, Statoil Venture, Hafslund Venture, Viking Venture and Investor



From left: Headquarter in Trondheim, subsidiary in Denmark, workshop in Trondheim and test site at Valsnes

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ChapDrive compact and integrated variable hydraulic drivetrain



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Technological advantages

ChapDrive offers a unique alternative gearless solution

Robust light-weight variable hydraulic drivetrain with synchronous generator and fewer critical components

- ❑ **No mechanical gearbox** - causing high maintenance costs on today's wind turbines
- ❑ **No frequency converter** - causing the highest failure rates and most down time on today's wind turbines
- ❑ **No need for permanent magnets** - high cost rare earth materials
- ❑ **No transformer**

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Why are frequency converters needed in today's wind turbines?

Purpose of the frequency converter:

- ❑ **Variable speed control**
 - ❑ Optimises energy production
- ❑ **Dynamic load control**
 - ❑ Reduces power and torque fluctuations, extreme loads etc.
- ❑ **Grid control**
 - ❑ Stabilises the grid via reactive power control, low voltage ride through control etc.

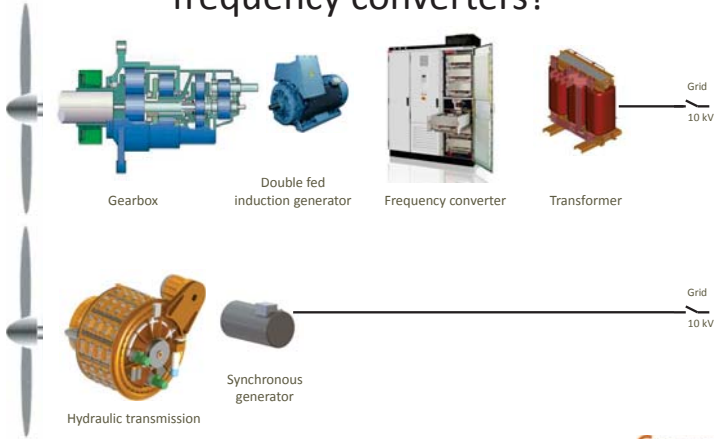


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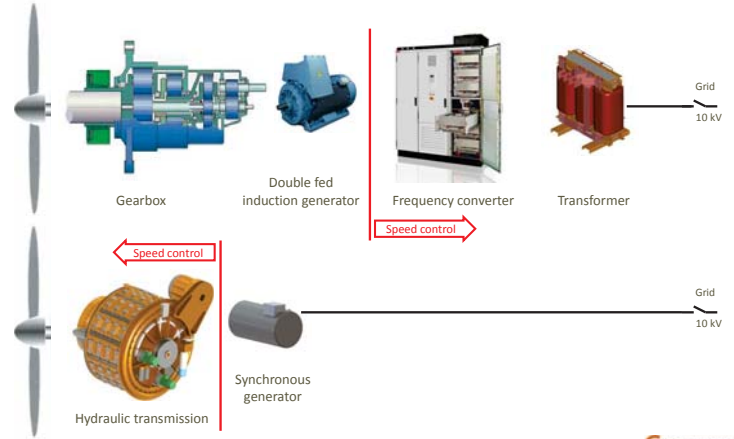
- ❑ Up till 1990: No frequency converters
- ❑ 1990 till today: 25 – 30% of rated power frequency converters in combination with double feed induction generators, DFIG
- ❑ Future turbines: Full scale frequency converters, 100 % of rated power in combination with medium speed permanent magnet generators or direct drive permanent magnet generators

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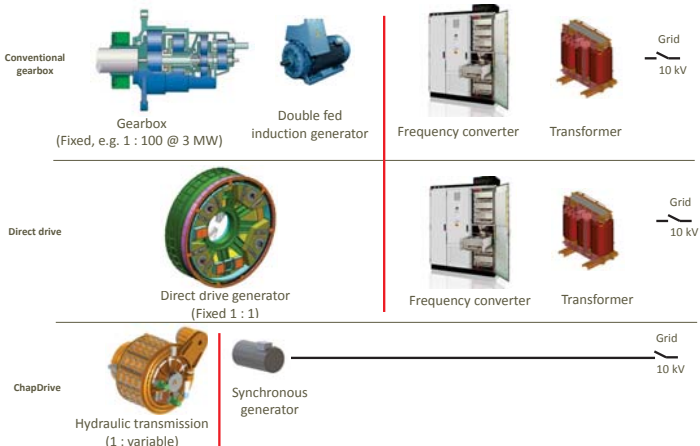
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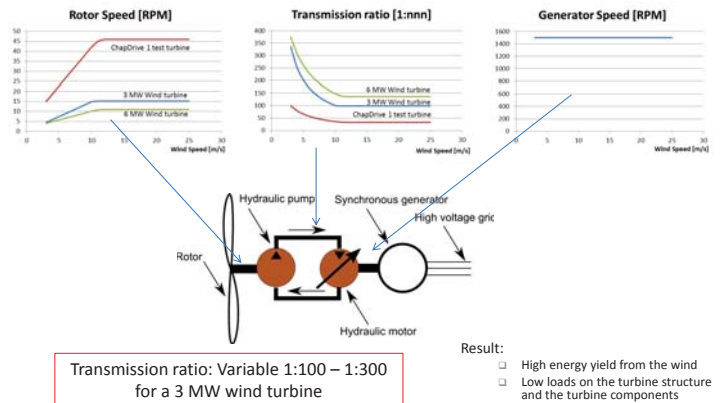
Where is the speed control done?



Gearbox, Direct drive and ChapDrive



Optimal rotor speed at all wind speeds



Dynamic models and ChapDrive Control System

A complete new drivetrain concept requires new dynamic models and new control strategy

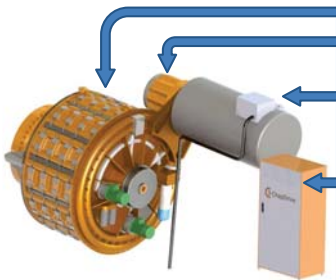
Dynamic models of wind turbine



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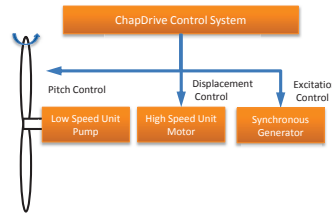
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 - Digital hydraulic motor
 - Digital valve technology
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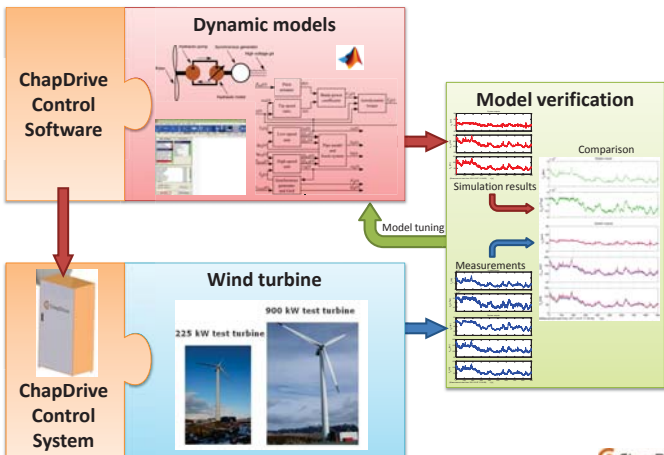


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 - Turbine control (state, yaw, temperature, etc.)
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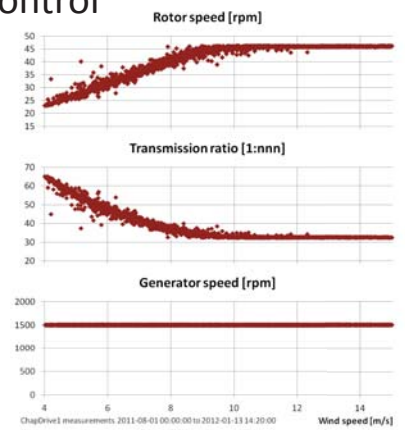


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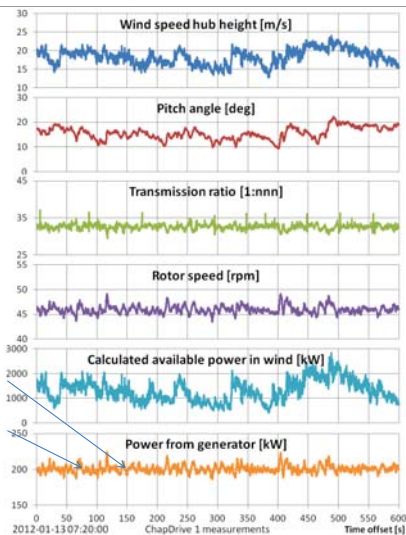
Measurements - Variable speed control

- 10 minutes mean values are shown from the test wind turbine, ChapDrive 1, for a period of 5 months
- Optimal rotor speed at all time ensuring maximum energy yield from the wind
- Generator speed is always constant.



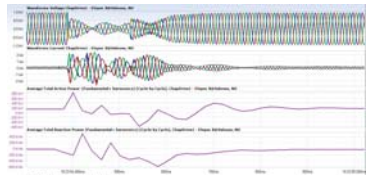
Measurements - Dynamic load control

- Method
 - Combined and optimised control of:
 - Pitch
 - Displacement (transmission ratio)
 - Excitation
- Result
 - Constant power above rated wind speed
 - Power and torque fluctuations eliminated due to fast displacement control
 - Full control over reactive power

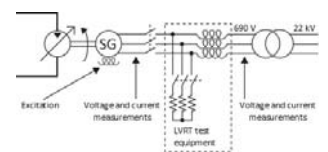


Low Voltage Ride Through, LVRT, measurements on ChapDrive 1

- Installed LVRT test equipment between grid and the test wind turbine, ChapDrive 1
 - Inductances
 - Resistors
 - Breakers
 - Fast measurement equipment
 - 6 x voltages
 - 6 x currents
 - Excitation voltage and current
- Voltage dip range:
 - 0 - 100 % of nominal voltage
- The above equipment - together with the ChapDrive DataLog system, sampling approx. 250 other turbine variables - are creating a large information database for continuous optimisation of the combined control of:
 - Pitch
 - Displacement
 - Excitation



Turbine stays on grid during a LVRT situation



Conclusion

ChapDrive has demonstrated that the combination of a variable hydraulic drivetrain and new optimised control strategy can eliminate the need for:

- ❑ Mechanical gearbox
- ❑ Frequency converter (*)
- ❑ Permanent magnets
- ❑ Transformer

All contributing to reduced Cost of Energy, CoE

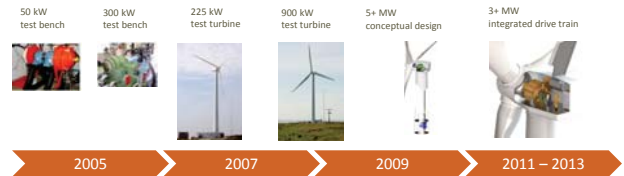
(*) The combination of a variable hydraulic transmission, a synchronous generator and the **ChapDrive Control System** has taken over the tasks of the full scale frequency converter seen in nearly all new wind turbine developments. These tasks are:

- ❑ **Variable speed control**
 - ❑ Optimises energy production
- ❑ **Dynamic load control**
 - ❑ Reduces power and torque fluctuations, extreme loads etc.
- ❑ **Grid control**
 - ❑ Stabilises the grid via reactive power control, low voltage ride through control etc.

ChapDrive technology verification history and future

- ❑ Hydraulic transmissions are robust and will reduce top weight for wind turbines
- ❑ High efficiency hydraulic technology enables competitive efficiency
- ❑ Development is driven by the industry for mobile hydraulic systems
- ❑ ChapDrive will install such technology in the 225 kW test turbine in H1 2012
- ❑ ChapDrive's hydraulic solution is verified in fully operational 225 and 900 kW test turbines
- ❑ ChapDrive is now developing a 3.x MW integrated drivetrain based on high efficiency hydraulic technology

Technology verification and development well progressed since company inception



Question and answer



Thank you for your attention!



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ASHES: A Novel Tool for FEM analysis of Wind Turbines

with innovative visualization techniques



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 4. DEMO (hopefully live...)
 5. What's next?

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1. (Incomplete) status for Aeroelastic software

- Def: Coupled analysis of a wind turbine including:
 - Aerodynamics
 - Blades/rotor
 - Tower
 - Control system
- Mode shape analysis, Multi Body Systems, and/or FEM

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- Main results:
 - Natural frequency analysis
 - Time domain simulation (for fatigue design)
- Recent trend:
 - Adapting for offshore wind turbines
 - Moving to FEM analysis

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- There are many different codes in use and under development, e.g.:
 - NREL: FAST (free and open source)
 - DTU: Flex (quasi-commercial)
 - Risø: HAWC2 (half-commercial)
 - GL GH: Bladed (leading commercial program)
 - Many others!

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2.1 ASHES: What is it?

- Aero-Servo-Hydro-Elastic-Simulation
- Developed at NTNU, so-far funded mostly by the Statkraft Ocean Energy Research Program
- How we hope it will be different:
 - Simultaneous focus on
 - Numerical results
 - GUI (Graphical User Interface)
 - Visualization
 - Fun to use

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- New users groups:
 - Traditional: Experienced professionals
 - New: Inexperienced professionals
 - New: Students
- Based on an object oriented FEM framework with full access to C++ source code

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2.2 ASHES: Why bother?

- Does the world really need another aeroelastic code?

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Signs there are reasons to bother:

- The huge interest indicates that it makes sense!
- International cooperation
 - OC4 project
- Google isn't interested (yet)
- The market (wind energy) has a huge growth

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2.3 ASHES Benchmarking

- OC4 project
- NORCOWE/NOWITECH Wind tunnel blindtest
- Comparison with other experimental data from NTNU

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A. The OC4 project

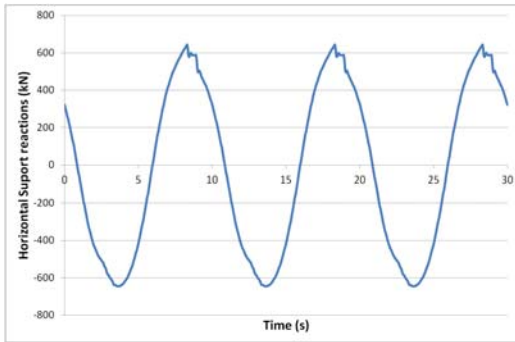
- Offshore Code Comparison Collaboration Continuation
 - Continuation of OC3
- http://www.ieawind.org/Task_30
- Phase 1: 5MW WT with tubular tower and jacket on 45 m depth
- (Later: Phase 2: Semi-sub floater)
- 15 different codes and groups actively taking part
- Paper for ISOPE 2012

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OC4 Load case 2.3a, Airy wave H=6m,
T=10s, no wind
Sensor 53: Sum of horizontal support reactions



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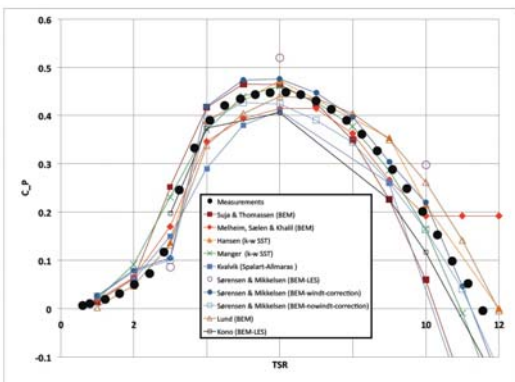
NORCOWE/NOWITECH
Blindtest Workshop

- Calculations for a model wind turbine tested in the NTNU wind tunnel
- Test of the BEM implementation

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Cp curve



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C. Comparison with
experimental data from NTNU

- Tidal turbine in towing tank (Celine Faudot/Ole G. Dahlhaug)
- Yawed rotor in wind tunnel (Tania Bracchi/Per Åge Krogstad)

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ASHES Demo

ASHES: What is it? Part II
GUI focus

- An effective and attractive GUI is expected from a modern tool
- The GUI is very useful also in the development process
- NB: A non-GUI option will also be provided for the end user

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Real-time analysis

- No video
- Start-Pause-Stop
- Increase – decrease analysis speed

Effective visualization

- Simple vs. complex
- Investigate
 - Blade visualization
 - Load visualization
 - Velocity triangle

“Professional” software development practices

- Source control
 - Effective and safe development
 - Enables (international) hands-on cooperation
- Object oriented programming
 - Visual studio, C++
- Documentation, testing
- “Group” programming

2.4 ASHES: What’s next?

- New functionality governed by needs from ongoing research, benchmarking ,and model tests
- Flexible (FE) blades also in time domain analysis
- Blade design and optimization (MSc thesis project)

- Advanced wave models
- Combined waves and current (for tidal turbine)
- Define and run multiple analyses
- Optimization for speed
- Make available for pilot users

B1 Power system integration

Voltage Source HVDC – Overview, Dr Mike Barnes, University of Manchester

Control challenges and possibilities for large offshore wind farms,
Prof Olimpo Anaya-Lara, Univ. of Strathclyde

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Temporary Rotor Inertial Control of Wind Turbine to Support the Grid
Frequency Regulation, Bing Liu, PhD stud, NTNU

Stability Improvements in Oil Platforms from Wind Turbines,
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Voltage Source HVDC - Overview



Mike Barnes



Tony Beddard

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Contents

1. Background – LCC and VSC
2. Multi-terminal
3. Circuit Breakers
4. Cable Modelling
5. Availability
6. Concluding comments

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AC vs DC

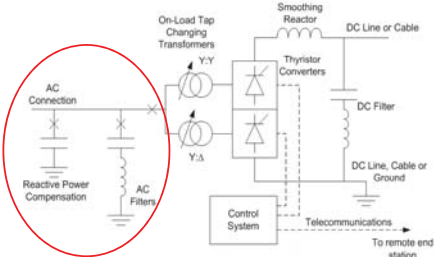
| Issue | AC | DC |
|------------------------|--|---|
| Voltage conversion | Transformers | Power electronics |
| Protection | Current and voltage fall to zero twice per cycle | Breakers complex |
| Transmission distance | Limited by reactive power consumption | No Reactive power requirement (on DC side) |
| System cost | Cheap terminal cost Line or cable more expensive per mile | Expensive terminal Cheaper line or cable cost per mile |
| Space requirement | Lower terminal footprint Greater line footprint | Greater terminal footprint Lower line footprint |
| Interconnected systems | Must have same frequency and phase | Asynchronous connection |

In early 20th Century technology available meant AC was preferred for transmission

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Revival of DC High Voltage Transmission



- Initially Current Source (thyristor based)
 - Large station footprint
 - Strong AC system needed

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Operation:

- Thyristor control delays current flow with respect to input voltage
- Phase shift controls real power flow (P)
- Phase shift draws large amounts of reactive power (Q)

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Current-Source (CS) or Line-Commutated Converter (LCC) Examples

- Yunnan-Guangdong (2009)
 - 5000MW, +/-800kV Bipolar
 - 1418km
- Three Gorges (2004)
 - 3000MW, +/-500kV Bipolar
 - 940km
- Melo (2011)
 - 500MW, Back-to-Back

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However:

- Need to connect vast amounts of offshore wind
- Need to interconnect more networks, even those unsynchronised

Issues with CS-HVDC:

- Station footprint
- Need for 'strong' AC network to connect to
- Needs to use mass-impregnated oil cable

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New Power Generation / New Solution - Voltage Source (VS) HVDC

- Main advantages of VSC over CS:
 - Smaller footprint (offshore platform cheaper)
 - Power direction in cable changed by current (keep same polarity V, use cheaper XLPE cable)
 - No need for reactive power generation to supply converter

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Evolution of VSC-HVDC Technology

| Technology | Year first commissioned | Converter Type | Losses per converter (%) | Switching frequency (Hz) | Example Project |
|--------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| HVDC Light 1st Gen | 1997 | Two-Level | 3 | 1950 | Gotland |
| HVDC Light 2nd Gen | 2000 | Three-level Diode NPC | 2.2 | 1500 | Eagle Pass |
| | 2002 | Three-level Active NPC | 1.8 | 1350 | Murraylink |
| HVDC Light 3rd Gen | 2006 | Two-Level with OPWM | 1.4 | 1150 | Estlink |
| HVDC Plus | 2010 | MMC | 1 | <150* | Trans Bay Cable |
| HVDC MaxSine | 2014IP | MMC | 1 | <150* | SuperStation |
| HVDC Light 4th Gen | 2015IP | CTL | 1 | =>150* | Dolwin 2 |

*switching frequency is for a single module/cell.

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CS vs VSC HVDC

- Current Source – HVDC – Available since 1950's
 - Loss 0.8% per converter station
- Voltage Source Converter – HVDC
 - Loss 1.1% per converter station
 - Much smaller footprint
 - Newer technology (since 1997)

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First Offshore Installation

- Troll
 - 1&2 – 88MW (2005), 3&4 – 100MW (2015)
 - +/-60kV DC, 70km
 - 132kV AC on shore to 56kV or 66kV offshore

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First Offshore Windfarm: BorWin1 2009

- First wind farm installation: BorWin1=80x5MW turbines
- ABB 2-level converter
- Only existing offshore VSC-HVDC windfarm connection

Cable data

| | |
|------------|----------------------|
| Voltage | +/-150 kV DC |
| Power | 400 MW |
| Insulation | Polymeric HVDC Light |

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BorWin1 - Design

Design for maximising availability and minimising maintenance:

- DC choppers onshore
- No tap-changing transformer offshore

-Planned in service date 2009/10.

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First Multi-Level Converter

- Trans Bay Cable - 2010
 - First MMC Multilevel system

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Issues

- Many, but key issues include:
 - Multi-terminal control
 - Breakers
 - Availability
 - Cable Modelling

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2. Multi-Terminal Control

- How to control?
 - Levels / hierarchy / software algorithms
- Hardware to facilitate control

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Prior Art

- Shin-Shinano
 - 50MVAx3 back-to-back GTO VSC-HVDC
- SACOI CS-HVDC 3-terminal link
 - 200MW/50MW/200MW
- Hydro-Quebec
 - CS-HVDC
 - Planned at 5-terminal, installed as 3
 - Most usually run effectively as point-to-point

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Present proposed control

- Local droop-line control at each station
- Super-imposed master-slave central control (telecommunications)

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However

- No operational experience with VS-HVDC multi-terminal systems which are:
 - large scale
 - not co-located
- Planned systems:
 - Tres-Amigas – Texas
 - Scotland-Shetland Offshore
 - North Sea in Europe
 - Atlantic Offshore Wind Connection

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Circuit Breakers

- How to manage DC fault?
 - No DC circuit breakers
 - Faults cleared on AC side (at present)

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3. Breakers Available - Limited

- Passive Resonance Breaker
 - Test designs constructed
 - Relatively low interruption speed
- Based on Metallic Return Transfer Breaker in CS-HVDC
 - Full Current, Limited Voltage

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HVDC Breaker Review

• Preferred topologies

Hybrid Circuit Breaker

- Low on-state losses
- Relatively slow interruption speed

Solid-state Circuit Breaker

- High on-state losses
- Fast Interruption speed

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ABB Patent

- Medium Voltage Prototype Built

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4. HVDC Cable Modelling

- No standard model
- What models are commercially available?
 - Differences between the models
 - Background theory
 - Implementation

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HVDC Cable Models

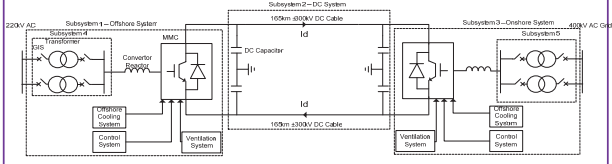
- **Pi-Section**
 - Lumps cable's RLC parameters
 - Adequate for steady state simulations with short lengths of cable
 - Computational intensive if many pi-sections are required
- **Bergeron Model**
 - Represents distributed nature of LC with R lumped
 - Does not account for frequency dependent nature of parameters
- **Frequency dependent models**
 - Distributed RLC model frequency dependency of all parameters
 - Mode model does not account for frequency dependent transformation matrix.
 - Phase model said to be the most robust and numerically accurate cable model commercially available

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5. VSC-HVDC Availability Analysis

- Typical Radial Scheme for an UK Round 3 Windfarm:
 - Determine overall availability of scheme
 - Identify key components which effect the scheme
- Availability statistics are next to non-existent



Radial VSC-HVDC Scheme

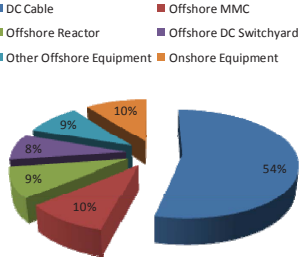
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Results

Overall energy availability of 96.5%

Component Importance for Availability



| Component | Percentage |
|--------------------------|------------|
| DC Cable | 54% |
| Offshore MMC | 10% |
| Offshore Reactor | 9% |
| Offshore DC Switchyard | 8% |
| Other Offshore Equipment | 9% |
| Onshore Equipment | 10% |

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6. In Conclusion

- Absence of history, data and experience with voltage-source HVDC
 - Offshore/ MMC
- No defined standards
 - Hardware or Control
- Intra-operability issue (for multi-manufacturer systems)
- Developing technology
- Unavailability: cables, instrumentation and software, transformers
- Reliability: Big question is how to manage multi-terminal

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Control challenges and opportunities for large offshore wind farms

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Background





| Connection | Capacity (GW) |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Dogger – Germany Offshore | 10 |
| Dogger – Norfolk Bank | 5 |
| Dogger – Firth of Forth | 5 |
| Dogger – Norway | 5 |
| Germany Offshore – Munich | 10 |
| London – Norfolk Bank | 5 |
| Norfolk Bank – Belgium Offshore | 2 |
| SuperNode | |
| Belgium Offshore | 2 |
| Dogger – Hornsea | 10 |
| Germany Offshore | 10 |
| Norfolk Bank | 5 |
| Munich | 10 |
| Firth of Forth | 5 |

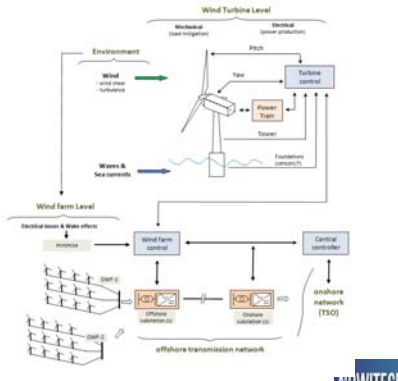
Source: FOSG Position paper on the EC Communication for a European Infrastructure Package, Dec 2010

Figure 1: SuperGrid Phase 1

- ▶ Offshore wind accepted to support the growth of wind energy
- ▶ Technology challenges include improved offshore wind energy systems design and improved control strategies (holistic approaches)






Offshore wind generation system

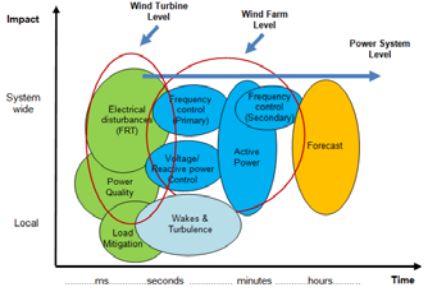


Complex mix of subsystems and technology



Different control objectives

Boundaries and control objectives definition



Boundaries and control objectives

Where/How are the boundaries defined?

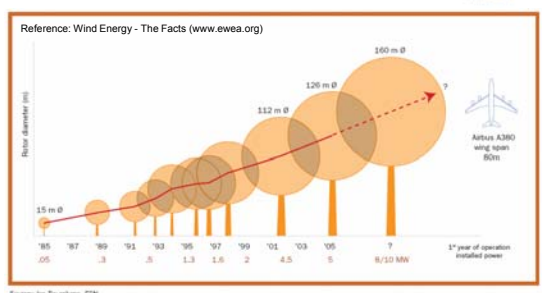
- ▶ Complex task - various parties involved
- ▶ Bi-lateral (even multi-lateral) agreements in place
- ▶ Scenario dependent
- ▶ Point of Grid Code Compliance









Wind turbine level – technology evolution



Reference: Wind Energy - The Facts (www.ewea.org)

Source: Jan Boumans, ECN

Rotor structural dynamics

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Blade bending motions

Flexible structure of a wind turbine rotor

As rotor size increases blade flexibilities become significant and need to be better represented

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Operational control

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The **increasing size** of machines is driving control development directions. More demands are placed on the control system at the same time as low frequency dynamics issues have greater importance

- Control systems are now being required to regulate some fatigue related dynamic loads.
- Of strong interest are the tower loads.
- The larger the wind turbine the greater the requirements.
- Must be achieved without compromising turbine performance.
- Must be achieved without increasing pitch activity.

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Floating structures

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- Coupled dynamics of wind turbine and platform
- Significant influence of the type of floating support structure and mooring mechanism
- The objective is still to optimise power capture while maintaining platform stability
- Control system has to be able to dampen both wind and wave driven motions balancing power quality, load mitigation and platform stability

Loads¹ Concepts¹ Degrees of Freedom¹

Source: S. Butterfield et al. Engineering Challenges for floating WTs

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Wind turbine generator technology

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Doubly fed induction generator (DFIG) Fully-rated converter wind turbine (FRC)

- Variable-speed wind turbines have more control flexibility and improve system efficiency and power quality.
- Explore holistic (integral) control approaches.
- Exploit features provided by WT power electronics

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Wind power plant operation

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- Technical characteristics of wind turbine technologies are significantly different from conventional power plants
- Emulation of conventional synchronous generation and provide similar dynamic characteristics in terms of
 - Dynamic voltage control,
 - Frequency support
 - system damping, etc

Accurate modelling and control of wind turbine systems for power system studies are still a challenge

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Offshore wind farm arrays

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Similar to onshore arrays, but now there may be clusters of wind farms

Wind farm control objectives:

- Optimise power quality
- Minimisation of wake losses and electrical losses in cables

Enhanced controllers to coordinate turbine operation?

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Offshore transmission – grid integration

Transmission Capital

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9 GW Dogger Bank offshore wind site

- Developer: FOREWIND
 - SSE Renewables
 - RWE Npower Renewables
 - Statoil
 - Statkraft
- Location: 125-195km offshore
- Water depth: 18-63m
- Construction: 2014 at the earliest

Source: FOREWIND

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Offshore transmission

LCC-HVDC

VSC-HVDC

- ▶ Sending and receiving networks are decoupled.
- ▶ DC transmission is not affected by cable charging currents.
- ▶ The cable power loss is lower than in an equivalent ac cable.

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Dogger Bank - interconnectors

HVDC transmission

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DC Grid Configurations: Meshed systems

Source: Carl Barker, Alstom

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Grid Code compliance – fault management

GB FRT requirement

- Investigate enhanced control strategies to facilitate voltage Fault Ride-Through of large offshore wind farms through offshore transmission circuits (AC and DC)
- Investigate the requirements for control of offshore wind farms to contribute to onshore network performance

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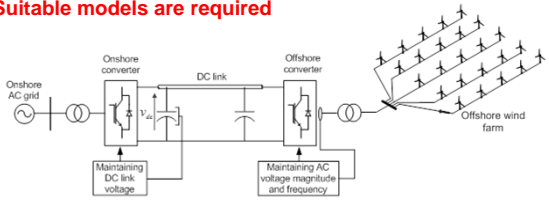
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Fast transients and harmonics mitigation

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Suitable models are required

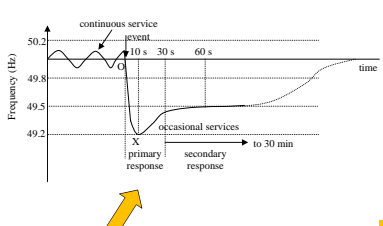


- ❑ Improved controllers are required to mitigate fast transient events and non 50-Hz phenomenon (these may assist architecture designs and planning tasks)
- ❑ Suitable modelling platform for control design and performance assessment is necessary

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Frequency support – grid code requirement

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Energy storage, design and coordinated control?

Role of interconnectors – intermittency, power balancing

Short-term primary response (synthetic inertia)

Demand-side management – coordinated control?


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Summary

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- ▶ Floating structures should be stabilised without compromising power production and power quality (minimum pitch activity is required, and added control features provided by power electronics should be explored). Tower bending modes become an even more delicate issue.
- ▶ The possibility of enhanced active control for parked conditions (turbine stopped) need to be assessed.
- ▶ Floating turbine performance and control requirements under power grid fault conditions has so far not been explored sufficiently.
- ▶ Improved coordinated control of individual wind turbines within in the farm are required to minimise wake effects (whilst keeping electrical losses within acceptable technical and economic limits).
- ▶ Enhanced controller are necessary to facilitate wind farm dynamic performance compatible with conventional synchronous plant (i.e. to provide support to power system operation in terms of dynamic voltage and frequency control).
- ▶ Holistic/integrated control approaches are imperative.


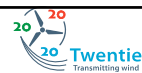
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Coordinated control between wind and hydro power systems through HVDC links



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Introduction

- Demonstrate secure power system control using hydro power plants in Norway to balance storm shut down of a wind farm in Denmark
- Three control systems applied to different part of the power system
 - Wind farm
 - HVDC cables
 - Hydro power units
- Coordinated control to improve system dynamic performance

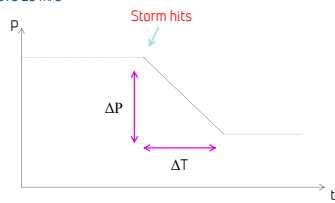

Model description

- Nordic synchronous power system: Norway, Sweden, Eastern Denmark, and Finland
- Continental European synchronous system: West Denmark and rest of UCTE
- Aggregated generation and load
- UCTE denoted by a single bus
- Primary control: 6% droop and ± 0.2 Hz
- Wind farms are modeled as a negative load
- Initial power flows on the HVDC lines are taken from NordPool data from 11 November 2010

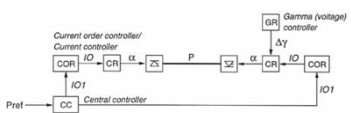
Storm Controller

- Implemented in each wind turbine
- Delay ramping to zero
- Shut down is modelled with power production change ΔP and time span ΔT
- Average wind speeds above 25 m/s





HVDC Controller

- Same basic control topology as the original structure
- Constant current control mode

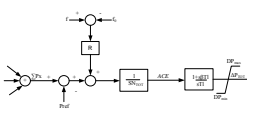



- The central controller has an additional input ΔP
 - compensate for a given power imbalance
 - ΔP signal comes from Ramp Following Controller (RFC)



Ramp Following Controller (RFC)

- Two inputs: frequency deviation and power flow deviation
- Gets signal from ACE in two interconnected areas, change in load, change in production or flow on HVDC
- HVDC cable track changes in wind power production

Load Frequency Controller (LFC)

- Area control error (ACE) shared among several generators
- Generators contribute according to their ratings

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Studied Cases (1)

- Two cases
 - Case A: Horns Rev 2 $\Rightarrow \Delta P=209$ MW
 - Case B: Six (planned) offshore wind farms $\Rightarrow \Delta P=2000$ MW
- Initial power flow
 - German-Danish border
 - HVDC links: from West Denmark to the Nordic system
- Shut down from full production to zero production in 15 minutes
- Studied results
 - Power flows on German-Danish border and HVDC links
 - Nordic frequency
 - Generating units in Denmark and Norway

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Studied Cases (2)

- LFC in Denmark
 - ± 90 MW capacity
 - Three largest thermal generators
 - Monitor the German-Danish border flows
- LFC in Norway
 - ± 375 MW capacity
 - 3 aggregated hydro power plants
 - Monitor the AC-transmission with Sweden and HVDC connections with Denmark

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Simulation Results (1)

Case A $\Rightarrow \Delta P=209$ MW

- RFC-HVDC-control and LFC in Denmark removes German-Danish border imbalance
- Nordic frequency deviation can be avoided by using LFC controllers in Norway

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Simulation Results (2)

Case B $\Rightarrow \Delta P=2000$ MW

- Excess power observed in the Western Danish power system
- Reversing the power flow on SK3 reduces the steady state imbalance at the German-Danish border
- Nordic frequency deviation remains within allowed limits

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Conclusion

- Coordination between the controllers either removes (Case A) or significantly reduces (Case B) the power imbalance
- Nordic frequency deviations can be avoided/reduced by using LFC in Norway
- Reversing power flow on Skagerrak3 helps in reducing the German-Danish border imbalance but increases the frequency deviation in the Nordic synchronous system
- Exporting the imbalance to Norway is feasible and advantageous to the West Danish power system.
- The presented balancing actions require reservation of capacity on HVDC links and hydro generation units in Norway if they were to be implemented in the real system

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Questions?

Temporary Rotor Inertial Control of Wind Turbine to Support the Grid Frequency Regulation

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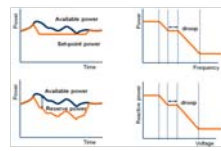
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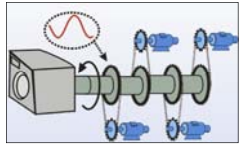
Why power system needs inertial control?


Frequency control by keeping balance between generation and consumption.

Long term balance : by power reservation



Short term balance : by rotating kinetic energy






This study focuses on variable speed wind turbine's capability of providing inertia response to support the grid frequency regulation, especially for short-term frequency drop in low inertia grid.

Frequency control requirements to wind turbines

Nordic Grid Code 2007:
Frequency control. Automatic control of the **wind turbine** active production as a function of the system frequency must be possible. The control function must be proportional to frequency deviations and must be provided with a dead-band. The detailed settings will be provided by the TSO.

Hydro-Québec requires **wind farm** to be able to contribute to reduce large (0.5 Hz), short-term (10 s) frequency deviation.*



* Technical Requirements for the Connection of Generation Facilities to the Hydro-Québec Transmission System: Supplementary Requirements for Wind Generation, Hydro-Québec, Tech. Rep., May 2003, revised 2005.

What is inertia?

Inertia is the resistance of physical object to a change in its state of motion.*
Rotating objective inertia:
 $J = m r^2$

Typical 2.0 MW wind turbine has:

$$J_{\text{wind turbine}} = 40k * (37.5/3)^2 = 6.25 * 10^6 \text{ Kg.m}^2$$


Energy stored in rotor mass:
 $E = 0.5 J \omega_m^2$

$$E_{\text{wind turbine}} = 0.5 J \omega_m^2 = 0.5 * J * 1.75^2 = 9.57 * 10^6 \text{ J} \quad \text{20 ton @ 80km/h}$$

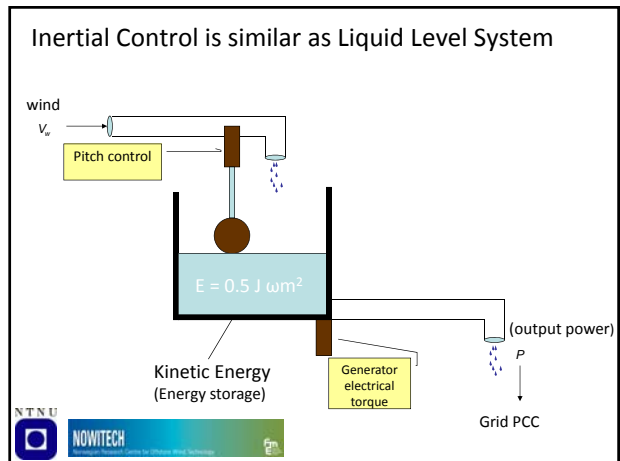
Inertia Constant is defined as the kinetic energy stored in the rotor at rated speed divided by the VA base.
 $H = E/S = 0.5 J \omega_m^2 / S$

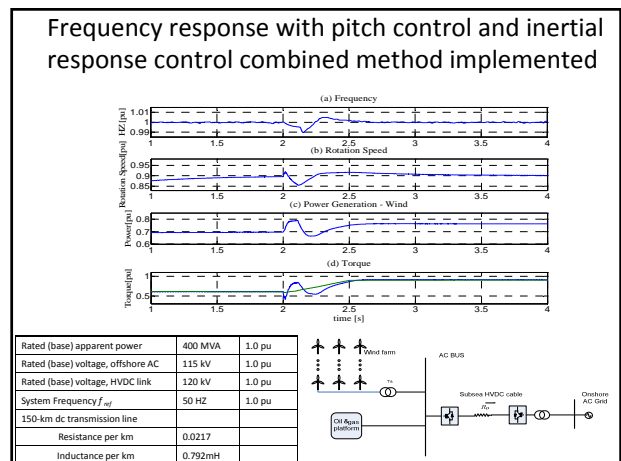
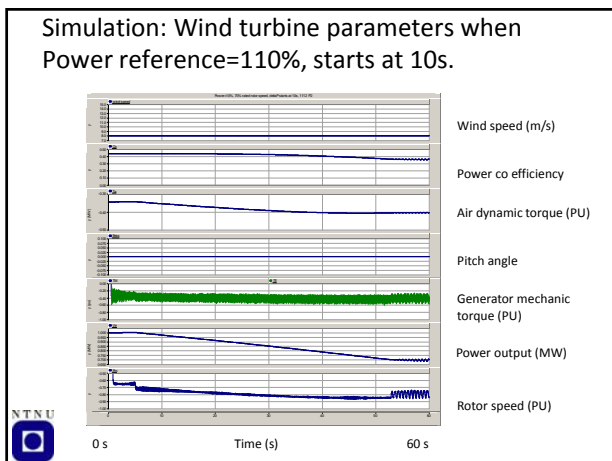
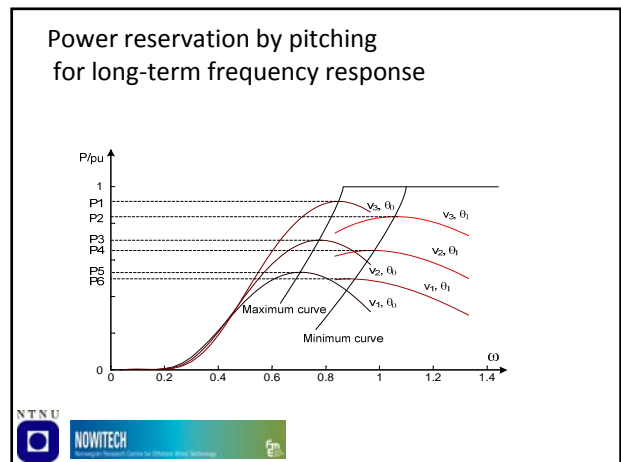
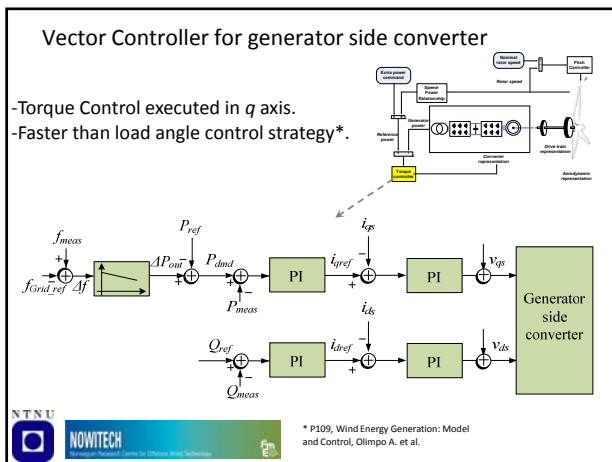
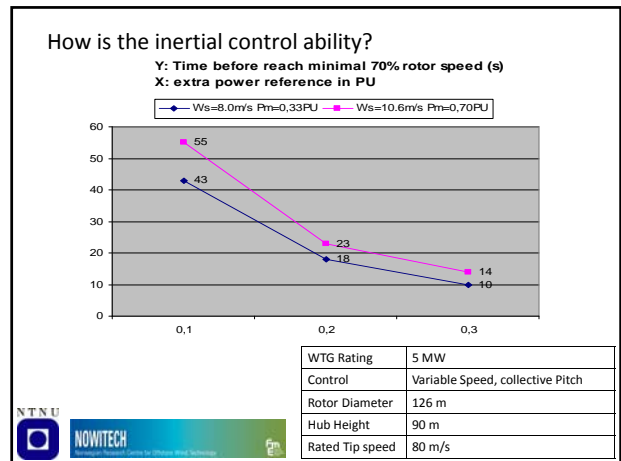
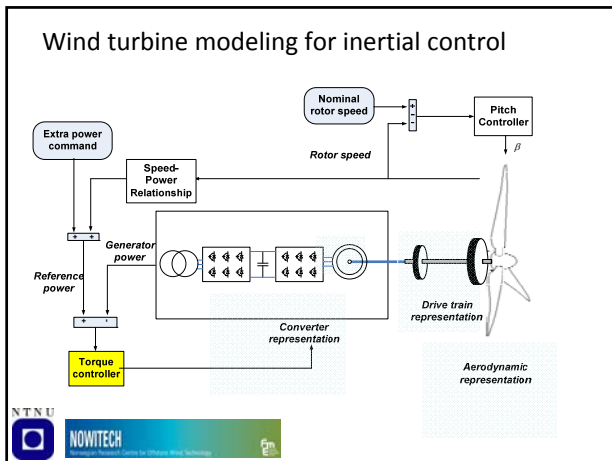
$$H = E/S = 4.79 \text{ s}$$

Similar as conventional power generation



* From Wikipedia





How to make wind parks “grid frequency friendly” ?

- ✓ Wind parks need react to changes in grid frequency
- ✓ Short-term inertial response capability is limited
- ✓ Need to combine with long-term pitch control



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Stability Improvements in Oil Platforms from Wind Turbines

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Agenda

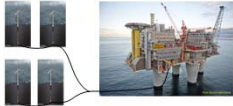

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- Case Description
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- WTG Frequency Control
- WTG Voltage Control
- Conclusions

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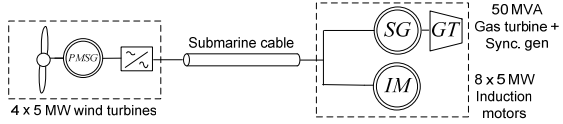
Background/Motivation

- Master Thesis at NTNU + research work in NOWITECH
- Small isolated power systems - Need for stability improvement
- Benefits from interconnecting WTGs with oil platforms? How?





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Case Description

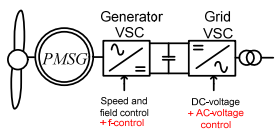


- PSCAD/EMTDC simulation study
- Conventional oil platform power system control
 - Automatic Voltage Control + Governor Droop Control
- Control time-delays weaken transient response...




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Voltage Source Converters in WTGs

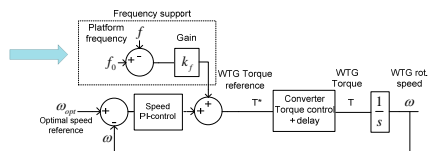


- Enables variable speed operation
- Fast and decoupled control to generator and grid
- Independent control of reactive power
- Control strategies to achieve stability improvements?




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WTG Frequency Control



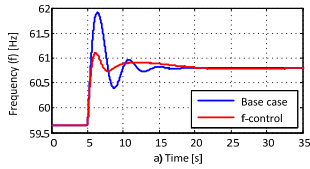
- Vector control of torque/speed (Generator VSC)
- Additional frequency support with droop gain



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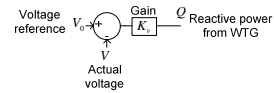
Simulation Case #1: Loss of 10 MW load

a) System Frequency



f-control reduces overshoot from 97 % to 25 %

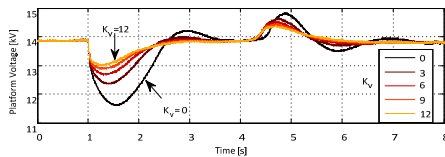
WTG Voltage Control



- Independent Q-control in Grid VSC
- Voltage-droop control determines WTG Q-reference

Simulation Case #2: Start-up of 5 MW motor

a) Oil platform voltage



- Increasing value of K_v – voltage dip dampened
- K_v limited by WTG current rating

Conclusions

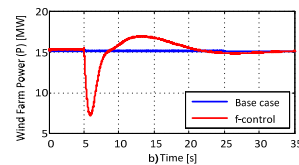
- Stability improvements are demonstrated
- Autonomous and robust control systems
- Only control software modifications required
- Results useful for other isolated power systems

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Additional slides.....

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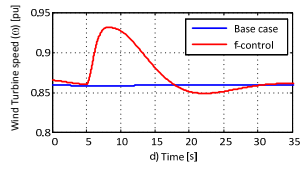
b) Wind farm active power



Rapid power dip, then restore pre-disturbance power

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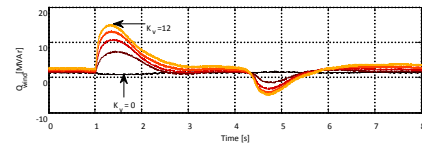
c) Wind turbine rotational speed (pu)



Limited overshoot, write more

Simulation Case #2: Start-up of 5 MW motor

b) Reactive power from wind farm



Limited overshoot, write more

B2 Grid connection

Modelling and control of Multi-terminal VSC HVDC systems,
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Fault-ride-through testing of wind turbines, Helge Seljeseth, SINTEF Energi AS

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- PhD projects
 - VSC HVDC in AC meshed grids (Stijn Cole, finished 2010)
 - Integration of Multi-terminal VSC HVDC (Jef Beerten)
 - Optimal investment strategies for offshore wind (Hakan Ergun)
 - ...
- Projects (2006 – ...)
 - Randstad HVDC (2006 – 2007)
 - BelGer – Nemo (2006 – 2007)
 - Imera power (2007 – 2009)

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- Member of CIGRE WG on HVDC (2006 – ...)
 - B4.46 – Economic Aspects of VSC HVDC
 - B4.52 – DC Grids Feasibility Study
 - B4.58 – Load flow and Direct Voltage Control in a HVDC Grid
 - B4/B5.59 – Control and Protection of HVDC Grids
 - C4/B4/C1 – Influence of Embedded HVDC Transmission on System Security and AC Network Performance
- Master thesis (2008 - ...)
 - Loss minimization (Gilles Daelemans*)
 - Economics of AC and DC wind farm connections (Bram Van Eeckhout*)
 - MTDC protection (Kenny De Kerf*)
 - Connecting Belgium and th UK (Frederik Leung Shun*)
 - VSC HVDC Connected variable speed operated wind farms (Pieter Hellingens)
 - DC voltage control (Carlos Dierckxsens*)
 - HVDC connected large-scale solar plants (Philippe Hoylaerts*)
 - Multi-terminal HVDC and wind (Stijn Vandenbroucke*)

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Offshore grids and supergrid ... What will the future grids look like?

Offshore Grid Proposal by Statnett (Source Statnett, 2008)

Vision of High Voltage Super Grid (Source: Dowling and ...)

Offshore Grid examined in the Greenpeace study (Source: Woyte et al, 2008)

Caspian - Supergrid for renewable energies

Offshore grids and supergrid ... VSC HVDC technology

- VSC HVDC only developed for point-to-point, but...
- ...looks very promising for future DC grids
 - Converter's DC side has constant voltage → converters can be easily connected to DC network.
- Extension to 'pseudo-multi-terminal' systems straightforward: e.g. star-connections

Offshore grids and supergrid ... DC voltage control

- DC Voltage \approx AC frequency
 - Changes when 'consumption' \neq 'production'
- Can different converters contribute to the DC voltage control?

DC Voltage Control in DC Grid Master-slave

- 1 DC voltage controlling converter
 - Converter has to deal with all DC grid events
 - What if this converter fails?
 - Which TSO wants this 'DC slack bus'?

DC Voltage Control in DC Grid Voltage Margin Method

- Improved master-slave approach
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Voltage droop

- Distributed DC voltage control
 - Often referred to as 'distributed slack bus'
 - Based on DC voltage droop

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- Steady-state (power flow control)
 - Effect on AC and DC power flows
 - Overall grid state after disturbance
 - N-1 contingency analyses
 - DC voltage droop settings (primary control)
 - Starting point for restorative actions (secondary control)
- Dynamics
 - AC and/or DC system interactions (transient stability)
 - Fast converter dynamics + switching (EMTP)

Different time scales
→ different programs and modeling requirements

Power flow modeling

- Combined/unified approach (AC+DC)
 - Solution of AC and DC grid together
 - Extension of Jacobian matrix
 - Only one iterative problem
- Sequential approach (AC, DC)
 - Use DC grid variables as inputs to solve the AC equations
 - Use AC grid variables as inputs to solve the DC equations
 → Easy extension of existing power flow programs

AC/VSC MTDC power flow

DC grid power flow

- DC grid power flow equations:

$$P_{dc_i} = 2 U_{dc_i} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_{dc_{ij}} \cdot (U_{dc_i} - U_{dc_j}) \quad \left| \quad I_{dc_i} = \sum_{j=1}^n Y_{dc_{ij}} \cdot (U_{dc_i} - U_{dc_j}) \right.$$

with power-voltage droop with current-voltage droop:

$$P_{dc_i} = P_{dc,0_i} - \frac{1}{k_i} (U_{dc_i} - U_{dc,0_i}) \quad \left| \quad I_{dc_i} = I_{dc,0_i} - \frac{1}{k_i} (U_{dc_i} - U_{dc,0_i}) \right.$$
- Defining modified active power vector,

$$X_{dc} = \left[\begin{array}{cccccccc} P_{dc_1} & P_{dc_2} & \dots & P_{dc_n} & I_{dc,0_{n+1}} & \dots & I_{dc,0_m} & P_{dc,0_{m+1}} & \dots & P_{dc,0_n} & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{array} \right]^T$$

slack
P-control
U-I droop
U-P droop
outage
- the set of equations can be solved using a NR iteration.

$$\left(\frac{\partial X_{dc}}{\partial U_{dc}} \right)^{(j)} \cdot \frac{\Delta U_{dc}^{(j)}}{U_{dc}} = \Delta X_{dc}^{(j)} \quad \Delta X_{dc}^{(j)} = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} P_{dc_i}^{(k)} - P_{dc_i}(U_{dc}^{(j)}) \\ I_{dc,0_i} - I_{dc,0_i}(U_{dc}^{(j)}) \\ P_{dc,0_i} - P_{dc,0_i}(U_{dc}^{(j)}) \\ -P_{dc_i}(U_{dc}^{(j)}) \end{pmatrix} & \forall i: 2 < i \leq k \\ \begin{pmatrix} I_{dc,0_i} - I_{dc,0_i}(U_{dc}^{(j)}) \\ P_{dc,0_i} - P_{dc,0_i}(U_{dc}^{(j)}) \end{pmatrix} & \forall i: k \leq i \leq l \\ \begin{pmatrix} P_{dc,0_i} - P_{dc,0_i}(U_{dc}^{(j)}) \\ -P_{dc_i}(U_{dc}^{(j)}) \end{pmatrix} & \forall i: l \leq i \leq m \\ \begin{pmatrix} -P_{dc_i}(U_{dc}^{(j)}) \end{pmatrix} & \forall i: m < i \leq n \end{cases}$$

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Transient stability modeling

- Converter dynamics
- Power electronics time delay
- Decoupled current control (limits and AWU)

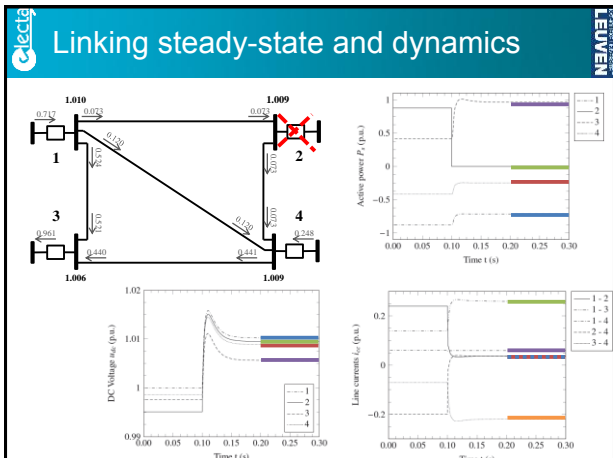
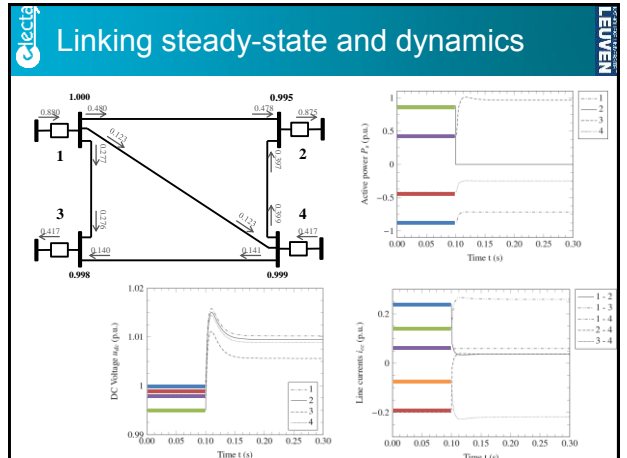
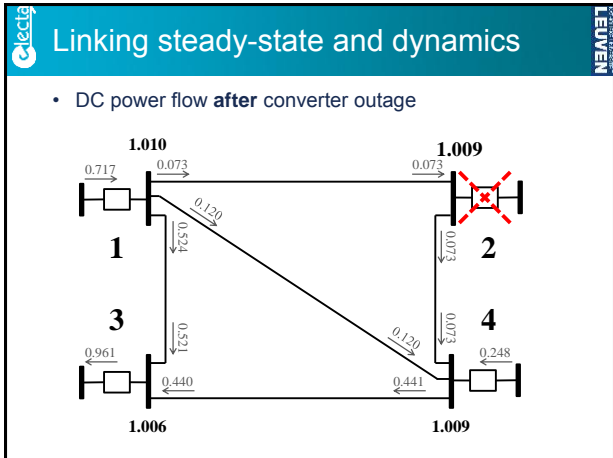
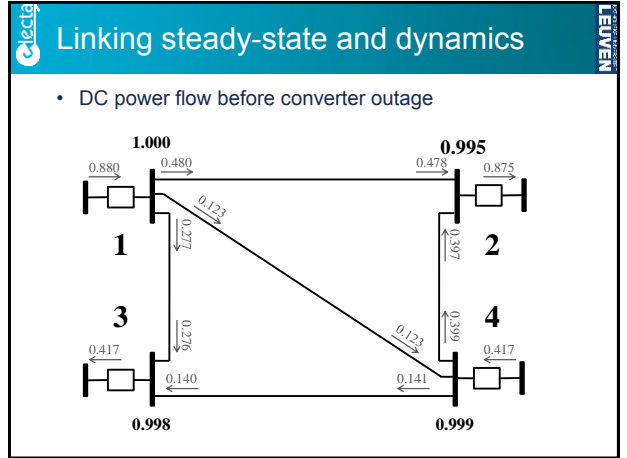
Transient stability modeling

- Outer q control loop
 - Constant active power control
 - Constant DC voltage control
 - DC voltage droop

(a) Constant P_q controller

(b) Constant U_{dc} controller

(c) U_{dc} droop controller



Conclusions

- Steady-state and dynamic models serve different purposes
 - Power flow algorithms allow to study the post-disturbance effect of control strategies, droop values, limits, ... on the steady-state powers and voltage.
 - Transient models allow to study the dynamic interactions between the converters and the dynamic effect of control schemes, droop values, limits, ...
- When properly modeled, the results of the power flow analysis are in line with the steady-state post-disturbance dynamic results.

ETEST Mobile test lab

FRT - Fault ride through

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Background and Rationale

- Build competence and new knowledge
- Develop and validate numerical tools and technical solutions.
- To test and validate the best measures and technical solutions for desired FRT capabilities
- "On site" real test of generation units:
 - "Ride-through" capabilities
 - Respons in current and voltage during and after voltage dips (faults)
- Useful experiences and knowledge:
 - "Protection optimization"
 - Local network conditions and protection adaption?
- Contribute to cost effective network integration of renewable generation

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Users:

- Research & Industry

Main Objectives:

- Industrial value creation, and more cost-effective offshore wind farms
- Build competence and gain new knowledge
- Develop and validate numerical tools and technical solutions

Vision:

- an internationally leading research community on offshore wind technology enabling industry partners to be in the forefront

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Operation

- Research/research projects
- Will be possible to rent for ex. for power companies, network operators and developers and vendors of generation solutions/units.
 - Development purposes
 - Testing/verification of new types of generation units, protection solutions etc
- Testing of:
 - Wind power units
 - Small scale hydropower units
 - ...
- Decision are not made on maximum power capabilities for the tests lab
 - Different situation with synchronous machine VS power electronics

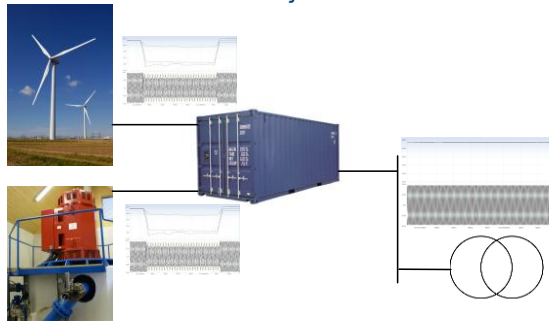
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STATUS

- Purchase is 100 % financed by Norwegian Research council
- Operational cost must be covered by research projects and contractual (hired) tests
- Currently reviewing and selecting:
 - Technical solution
 - Power rating
 - Supplier/vendor (price/power rating/volum/weight/functionalities)
- Maximum power probably in the range 4 to 8 MVA
- Target: Final decision and order in February – March and delivery of test lab during autumn 2012

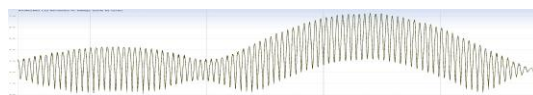
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Fault simulations without significant reduction in power quality to electricity customers in the test area



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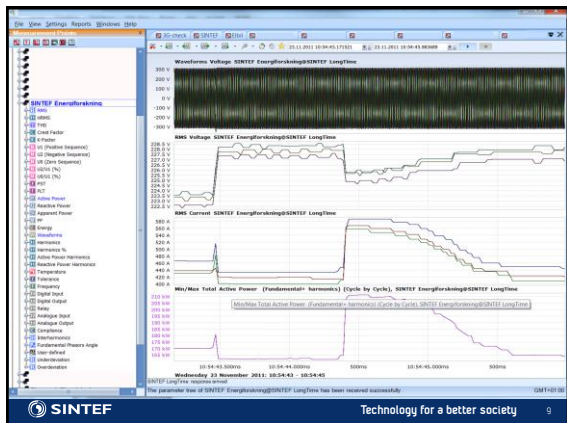
Measurement system, evaluating voltages and currents



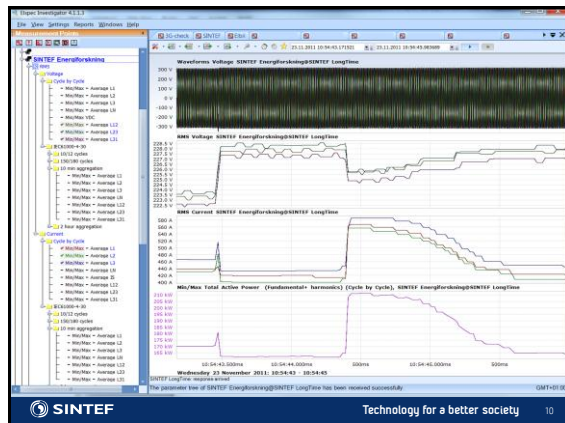
- The lab will contain a very advanced measurement system capable of continuous measurement of voltages and currents wave shapes with 1024 samples per cycle. Can record continuously for months
- 8 channel voltage and 8 channel current measurement
- GPS time synchronization
- Digital and analog signals from protection etc can be measured simultaneously with currents and voltages



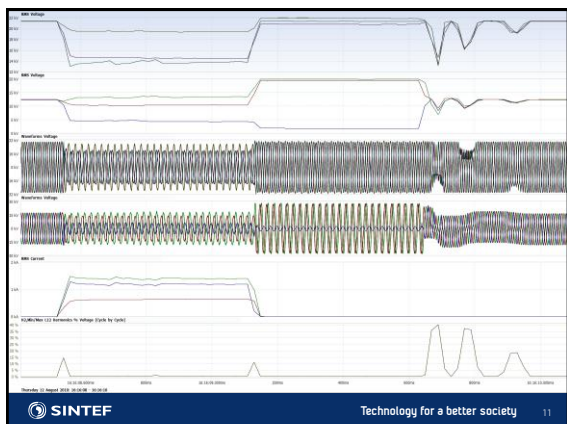
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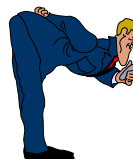


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Wind turbine model validation with measurements

- Comparison between measured and simulated responses to voltage dips in the grid

Jorun Marvik (presenting) and Atsede Endegnew, SINTEF Energy Research

Outline

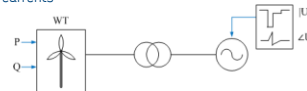
- Background; benchmark test procedure, measurement collection
- Wind turbine 1 model validation results
- Wind turbine 2 model validation results
- Summary/Conclusions

Background

- Important to predict wind turbine responses to grid disturbances
- Grid codes regulate how wind turbines should respond to disturbances in the grid
- Compliance with grid code verified through measurements or simulations
- Model validation to assure that simulation results can be trusted

IEA Wind Annex 21 benchmark test procedure

- Required measurements: time-series of instantaneous voltage and current in all three phases → measured voltages and currents are converted to fundamental, positive sequence rms values
- Input to simulations: voltage amplitude and phase angle time series, to controllable voltage source
- Validation: comparing simulated responses of active and reactive power with positive sequence active and reactive power calculated from measured voltages and currents



Measurement collection

- Elspec G4430/G4420 blackbox instruments – continuous sampling of voltage and current in all three phases. Measurements are stored in a central database at SINTEF Energy Research
- Post-processing of data: by instrument software, (Elspec Investigator), and by Matlab toolbox developed at SINTEF Energy Research. Elspec Investigator does not provide the phase angle
- Sampling rate: 51.2 kHz/25.6 kHz
- Time synchronization: GPS/SNTP
- Wind turbine 1: fixed speed turbine, directly connected induction generator
- Wind turbine 2: variable speed turbine (gearless), full-power converter interfaced synchronous generator,

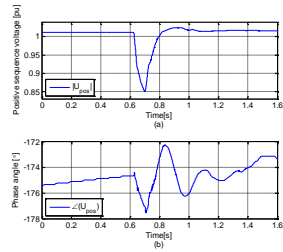
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Wind turbine 1 - directly-connected induction generator

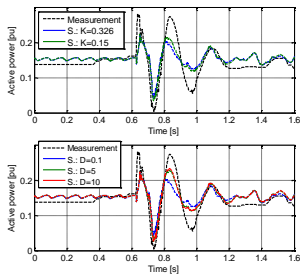
- Rating: 2.3 MVA
- Modelled in SIMPOW
- Parameters for similar turbine (generator impedances, generator and turbine inertias, shaft stiffness) known, scaled according to rating
- Induction generator: transient model, without saturation
- Capacitor bank for reactive compensation
- Mechanical drive train represented by a two-mass model: turbine and generator inertia with a shaft and an ideal gearbox between

Positive sequence voltage magnitude and phase angle during a voltage dip event



Voltage dip down to 85 % of nominal value. Duration - 200 ms

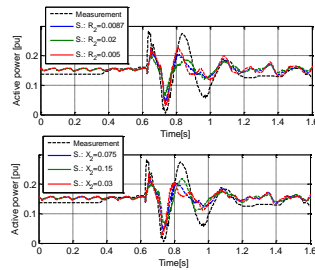
Impact of changing shaft parameters



Good agreement in frequency of oscillations. Measured response has higher amplitude than the simulated

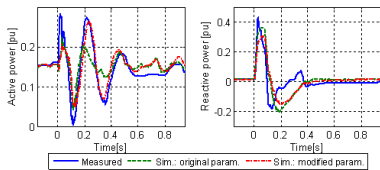
Increased oscillation with increased damping (opposite of expected) → possibly due to interaction between responses of shaft and generator

Impact of changing generator rotor parameters



Rotor impedance impacts on frequency of oscillations

Result after tuning of shaft and generator parameters



→ Quite good agreement between measurement and simulation can be achieved by adjusting shaft and generator parameters

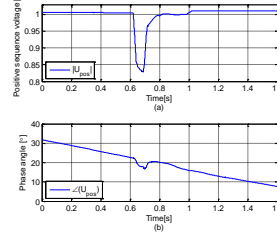
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Wind turbine 2 – variable speed, full-power converter

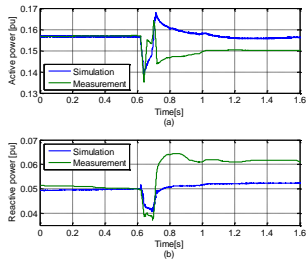
- Rating: 2.3 MVA
- Modelled in SIMPOW and PSCAD
- No parameters known, typical/default model parameters used
- Synchronous generator: transient model, without saturation
- SIMPOW – Full Power Converter Wind Turbine model described in manual. Includes wind turbine and generator model. Speed, pitch and AC-voltage control systems.
- PSCAD – own developed converter. Generator and turbine not included in the model.

Positive sequence voltage magnitude and phase angle during a voltage dip event



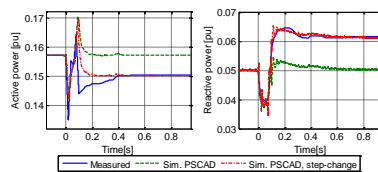
Phase angle decrease in steady state: frequency of measured voltage deviates from constant reference of 50 Hz

Results from SIMPOW-simulation



Not very good agreement between measurement and simulation. Changing the controller parameters has limited impact. Both active and reactive power goes to a new steady-state level after the dip. Due to change in wind speed or due to control strategy? Simulation: constant wind speed (active power) and reactive power

Comparison with results from PSCAD-simulation



Step-change applied in active and reactive power – "cheating" to get a better agreement

Generator and turbine not included in PSCAD, little difference in the results between SIMPOW and PSCAD with constant set-points for P and Q

Outline

- Background; benchmark test procedure, measurement collection
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Summary/Conclusions

- Validation of models important to ensure that simulation results can be trusted
- Fixed speed wind turbine with directly-connected induction generator: quite good agreement between measured and simulated responses in active and reactive power.
 - Better agreement could be achieved by adjusting shaft and generator parameters.
- Variable speed wind turbine with full-power frequency converter: response to voltage disturbance depends on converter parameters and control strategy. Hard to obtain good agreement between measurement and simulation without knowledge about the converter and corresponding control system.





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The Assessment of overvoltage protection in Offshore Wind Farms”

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- Introduction
- Motivation of the PhD project
 - “Analysis of switching transients in wind parks with focus on prevention of destructive effects”
- OWF Components Modeling
- Simulation Results
- Conclusion

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Introduction

- Number of Offshore Wind Farm (OWF) installations in Europe has grown significantly in the last decade.
- The share of OWF in wind power market has later been drastically increased from 0.12% to 9.5% during 2000-2010.
- Due to the increased distance of OWFs from shore and adverse weather conditions in oceans, a main criterion in OWF design and operation is high reliability, with **little maintenance**.
- Therefore, critical overvoltages should be investigated.

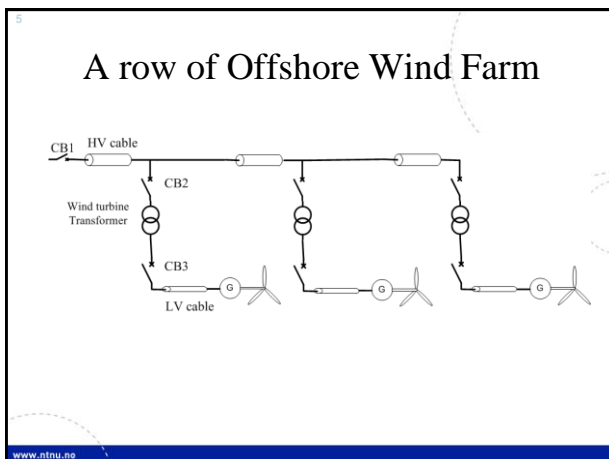
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Motivations of project

1. Assessing the critical overvoltages due to energization of Offshore Wind Farm and the prevention methods.
2. Analyzing the distribution of switching overvoltage inside transformer winding

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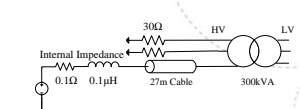
OWF Components Modeling

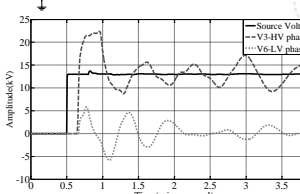
- The main components in OWFs with AC systems for the switching transient investigations are:
 - **Wind Turbine Transformer** → transformer terminal measurement & vector fitting
 - **cables** → JMarti model
 - **Vacuum Circuit Breakers (VCB)** → ideal switch with variable rise times due to prestrikes
 - **surge arresters** → model based on V-I curve of commercial SA and considering stray inductance for ground leads.
 - and **RC filter** → for lowering the overvoltage amplitudes
 - **Note:** During the OWF energization, the power converters are not initiated. Thus, wind turbine generators are not connected to WTTs.

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7 Verification of Modeling

For Verifying the modeling, the simulation results are compared with an experiment in reference below.

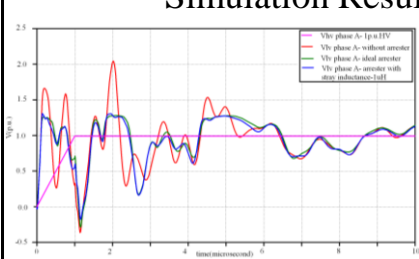
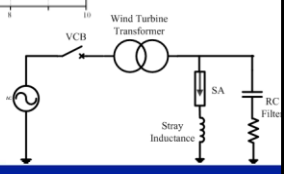




B. Gustavsen, "Study of Transformer Resonant Overvoltages Caused by Cable-Transformer High Frequency Interaction," *IEEE transaction on Power Delivery*, Vol. 25, No. 2, pp. 770-779, April 2010.

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8 Simulation Results

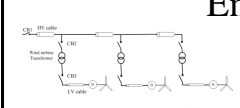
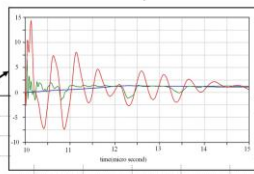
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9 Simulation Results

| Tr(μs) | L(μH) | C(nF) | Umax(pu) | dU/dt(kV/μs) |
|--------|-------|-------|----------|--------------|
| 0.2 | 1 | 0.1 | 1.9 | 5 |
| 0.2 | 1 | 1 | 2.68 | 3.57 |
| 0.2 | 1 | 10 | 1.67 | 0.835 |
| 0.2 | 1 | 100 | 1.37 | 0.11 |
| 0.2 | 1 | 1000 | 1.43 | 0.032 |
| 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 1.7 | 5.23 |
| 0.2 | 0.5 | 1 | 2.1 | 3.11 |
| 0.2 | 0.5 | 10 | 1.5 | 0.857 |
| 0.2 | 0.5 | 100 | 1.35 | 0.12 |
| 0.2 | 0.5 | 1000 | 1.4 | 0.031 |
| 1 | 0.5 | 1000 | 1.4 | 0.029 |
| 1 | 1 | 0.1 | 2 | 2 |

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10 One by one Wind Turbine Energization

Red → without arrester
 Green → with arrester
 Blue → with arrester & RC filter




150μs → second wind turbine energization

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11 Conclusion

- The energization overvoltages of Offshore Wind Farms (OWF) are investigated in this paper in time domain.
- Surger arresters really help the extreme overvoltages due to prestrikes in circuit breakers with high rate of rise of switching surge (rise time=0.2us), but they are not sufficient. Since in this case maximum peak (Umax) is still high even with surge arrester. Besides, dU/dt is the same as case without surge arrester (upper figure in figure 8) with value in the order of 100 kV/μs theoretically!
- Introducing capacitive filters with reasonable value can lead to decreasing the dU/dt in the level which is safe for transformer LV insulators .
- In the energization of WTT in a row of wind turbines, even during energization of second WTT, the induced overvoltages in LV side of first WTT can be relatively high with Umax near to 2 p.u. and du/dt near 2 kV/ μs.

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Any comments or question?

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Mesoscale modeling applied to wind energy offshore at DTU Wind Energy,
Hans E. Jørgensen, DTU

Sensor movement correction for direct turbulence measurements in the
marine atmospheric boundary layer, Martin Flügge, PhD stud, Univ. of Bergen

Modelling the effect of ocean waves on the atmospheric and ocean boundary
layers, Alastair D. Jenkins, Uni Computing

First results of turbulence measurements in a wind park with the Small
Unmanned Meteorological Observer SUMO, Prof Joachim Reuder, Univ. of
Bergen

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*Extremes
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 wake investigations*
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 Work done by
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 January 2012: DTU Wind Energy

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Outline

- Modeling for wind energy resource mapping
 - method
 - verification
 - coupling to micro-scale models
 - issues
- Long-term stability and wind profile from mesoscale models
- Wind variability occurs at variety of time scales
- Mesoscale modeling applied to extreme winds estimation
- Some comments on Wake measurements and Modelling offshore
- Other uses; final remarks

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Typical downscaling steps

Global → Regional → Local

Mesoscale modeling (KAMM, MM5, WRF, etc.) Microscale modeling (WASP, CFD, etc) or statistical technique

WASP: Wind Atlas Analysis and Application Program
<http://www.wasp.dk>

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Dynamical downscaling for wind energy resource estimation

For estimating wind energy resources, mesoscale model simulations are:

- Not weather forecasting, spin-up may be an issue
- Not regional climate simulations, model drift may be an issue

For this application:

- We "trust" the large-scale reanalysis that drives the downscaling
- We need to resolve smaller scales not present in the reanalysis

von Storch et al (2000)

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Downscaling from large-scale to Mesoscale (statistical method)

wind classes from large pressure field → wind profiles atmos stab. → wind maps for each wind class → wind resource map

terrain elevation surface roughness → + frequency distributions of wind classes

Simple/Fast/Cheap → Complex/Slow/Expensive

Interpolation

Risø Wind Atlas

Statistical-dynamical

Fully dynamical

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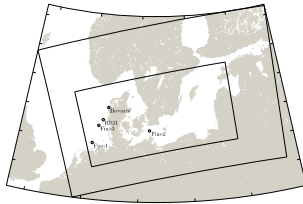
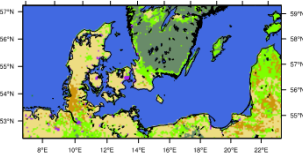
Assumptions used in statistical downscaling

- Climate can be adequately represented by the combination of a finite number of weather "states"
- There is a one-to-one relationship between each of these states and the local wind conditions

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WRF set up (dynamical runs)

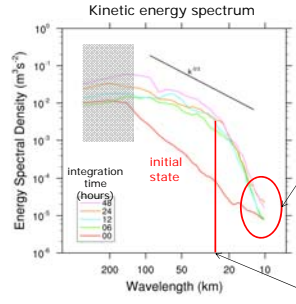
- Technique based on Hahmann et al. (2010)*
- 15 km x 15 km; 5 km x 5 km grid spacing, WRF version 3.2.1;
- 5 years, 2006-2010
- 41 vertical levels with model top at 50 hPa; 12 within 1000 m of the surface; the first level ~14 meters AGL.
- Forcing:
 - USA NOAA (CFRSR) reanalysis at 0.5° x 0.5° horizontal grid spacing
 - SST and sea-ice fractions come from the dataset of Reynolds et al. (2002) with 0.25° x 0.25° resolution, updated daily.
- 11-day long overlapping simulations (first day ignored) - nudging model solution towards reanalysis on large domain above boundary layer

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Spin-up and resolution effects

Kinetic energy spectrum



Downscaling run 5 km horizontal resolution grid over Northern Europe

Time required to build up mesoscale structures: ~24 hours

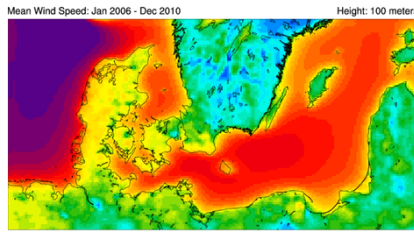
This length depends on domain size, wind regime, topographic complexity and resolution of the reanalysis used.

Effective resolution ~7 x grid spacing, depends on model numerical algorithms

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Mesoscale modeling for generating wind atlases: The South Baltic Wind Atlas

Mean Wind Speed: Jan 2006 - Dec 2010 Height: 100 meters



South Baltic PROGRAM

Mesoscale wind speed climatology

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Sensitivity study – PBL scheme, October 2009

Table 2: Summary of PBL schemes used the model sensitivity study.



| Scheme | Reference | Closure type | Surface scheme |
|--------|--------------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| YSU | Hong et al. (2006) | 1st order | M-O scheme |
| MYJ | Janjic (2001) | TKE 1.5 order | M-O scheme |
| QNSE | Sukoriansky et al. (2006) | TKE 1.5 order | QNSE |
| MYNN2 | Nakanishi and Niino (2006) | TKE 1.5 order | MYNN |
| MYNN3 | Nakanishi and Niino (2006) | TKE 2.5 order | MYNN |
| BouLac | Bougeault and Lacarrère (1989) | TKE 1.5 order | M-O scheme |

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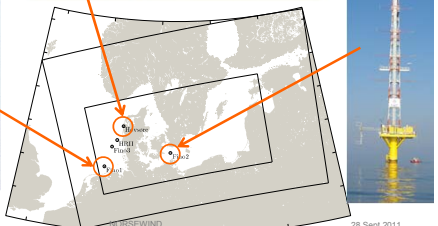
Offshore masts

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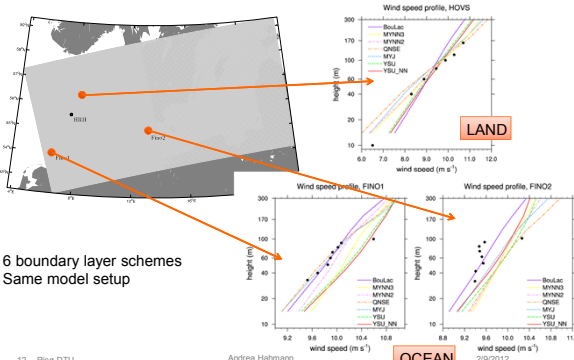
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Validation of downscaling wind profiles, October 2009

6 boundary layer schemes Same model setup



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Diagnosis of the wind shear



Høvsøre test center, Denmark

The parameter α is often used to diagnose the shape of the wind profile. It comes from the expression

$$\frac{u(z_1)}{u(z_2)} = \left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)^\alpha$$

where $u(z_1)$ and $u(z_2)$ are the wind speeds at heights z_1 and z_2 , respectively. α varies with height, surface roughness length, and atmospheric stability. Using similarity theory, for neutral conditions, surface roughness length of 5 cm, and $z_1=10$ and $z_2=60$ m, $\alpha=0.162$. Smaller (larger) values represent unstable (stable) atmospheric BL conditions.

Boundary-Layer Meteorol (2007) 124:251–266
DOI 10.1007/s11068-007-9068-9
ORIGINAL PAPER

On the extension of the wind profile over homogeneous terrain beyond the surface boundary layer

Sven-Erik Gryning · Ekaterina Batchvarova · Bengt Brümmer · Hans Jørgensen · Søren Larsen

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Wind profiles grouped according to observed stability at Høvsøre, Denmark, October 2009

Stability classes according to the observed Obukhov length L (Gryning et al. 2007)

| Monin-Obukhov Length | stability class |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| -500<L<-50 | unstable |
| L<-500; L>500 | neutral |
| 200<L<500 | near-stable |
| 50<L<200 | stable |
| 10<L<50 | very stable |

Draxl et al (2011) submitted to Wind Energy

Choice of parameterizations is important

$\frac{u_1}{u_2} = \left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)^\alpha$; shear exponent; 10-60 m

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Verification at Høvsøre

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Verification

Mean column wind speed (30-100 meters)

| Scheme | Høvsøre BIAS | Fino1 BIAS | Fino2 BIAS | Høvsøre RMSE | Fino1 RMSE | Fino2 RMSE |
|--------|--------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|
| YSU | 0.11 | 0.38 | 0.47 | 3.32 | 3.01 | 3.48 |
| MYJ | -0.28 | 0.01 | 0.32 | 3.01 | 3.15 | 3.13 |
| QNSE | -0.39 | -0.03 | 0.47 | 3.40 | 3.37 | 3.95 |
| MYNN2 | -0.15 | 0.13 | 0.42 | 3.23 | 3.18 | 3.51 |
| MYNN3 | -0.10 | 0.30 | 0.43 | 2.89 | 3.19 | 3.71 |
| BouLac | 0.17 | 0.02 | 0.11 | 3.84 | 2.96 | 2.87 |

90 or 100-meter wind speed

| Scheme | Høvsøre BIAS | Fino1 BIAS | Fino2 BIAS | Høvsøre RMSE | Fino1 RMSE | Fino2 RMSE |
|--------|--------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|
| YSU | -0.22 | 0.38 | 0.59 | 0.67 | 0.46 | 0.60 |
| MYJ | -0.24 | 0.05 | 0.45 | 0.65 | 0.49 | 0.55 |
| QNSE | -0.17 | 0.01 | 0.62 | 0.72 | 0.51 | 0.68 |
| MYNN2 | -0.12 | 0.08 | 0.50 | 0.70 | 0.48 | 0.59 |
| MYNN3 | -0.10 | 0.24 | 0.50 | 0.63 | 0.48 | 0.62 |
| BouLac | -0.35 | 0.01 | 0.22 | 0.76 | 0.44 | 0.49 |

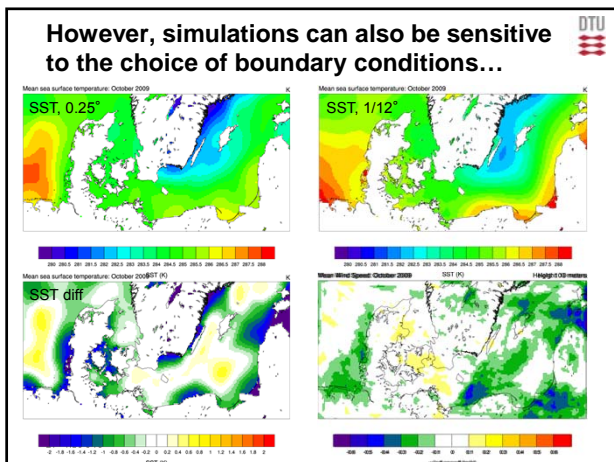
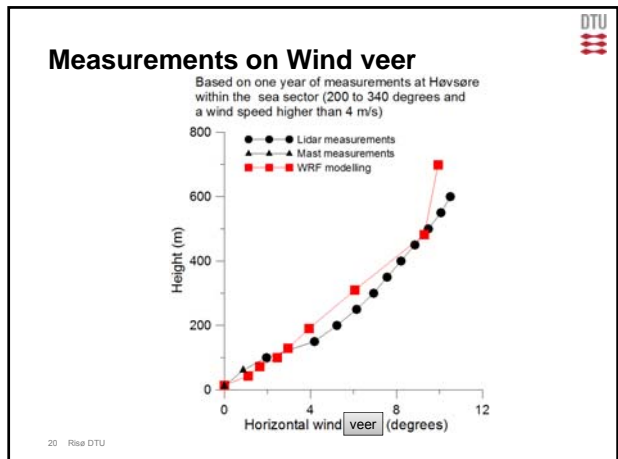
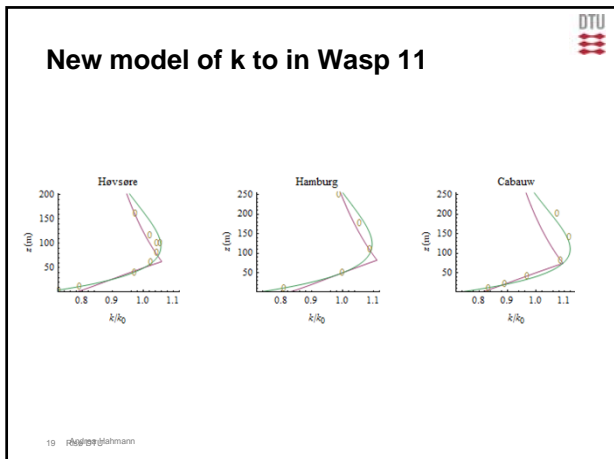
Based on these (and other) statistics – choose MYJ PBL scheme

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Tall measurements at Høvsøre and Verification WRF (weibull k profile)

WRF model under predicts the shape parameter parameter.

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Determination of long-term stability by mesoscale model data

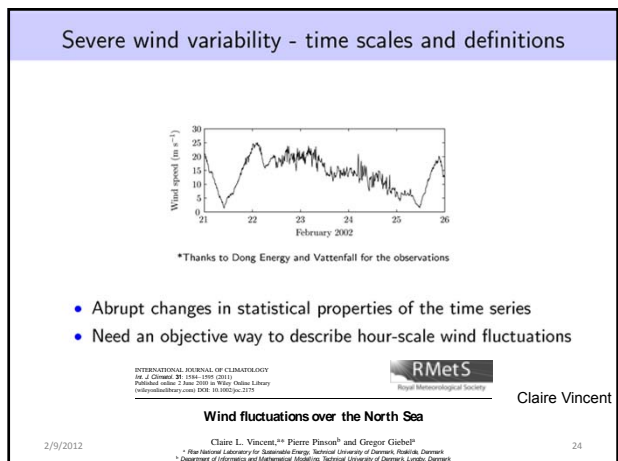
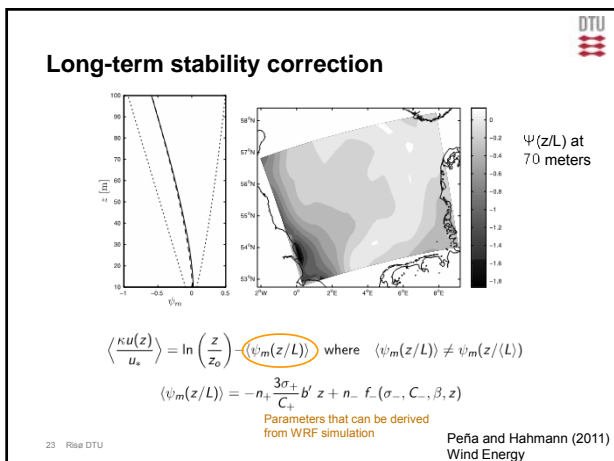
- For most applications, estimates of wind and wind shear at 100 m are required. At this level the effect of atmospheric stability is important
- Most offshore measurement sites (e.g., Lidar) do not have means to estimate stability
- Long-term stability is required for:
 - input to micro-scale models (e.g. WASP)
 - "Lift" satellite-derived wind measurements (QuikSCAT, SAR) to hub height
- It could be possible to use mesoscale models output (like WRF) to derive stability

Long-term stability at M2: Kelly and Gryning (2010)

$$P = n_k \frac{C_k \exp\left[-\left(C_k |1/L|/\sigma_k\right)^2\right]}{\sigma_k \Gamma(1+3/2)} \frac{g}{T} \frac{((w'w'_z - (w'w'_z)^2)^{1/2}}{(u^2)}$$

Theoretical formulation of the distribution of atmospheric stability (1/L) at Horns Rev M2

22 Riss DTU Kelly M, Gryning S-E. Long-term wind profiles based on stability theory. *Boundary-Layer Meteorology* 2010; 136: 377-390. 2/9/2012



Satellite, SAR and time series observations

6 November 2007 0957 UTC

6 November 2007 1415 UTC

Open cellular Convection

Cell diameter = 10-30 km

Cell centre

Cell wall

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Open cellular convection in WRF

WRF simulation hour 24 for domain 4

WRF (valid 20031005 1200 UTC)

MODIS image 20031005 1145 UTC

Output from model simulations can be used to generate a "variability" atlas of the North Sea.

Vincent, Hahmann and Kelly, 2011: Idealized Mesoscale Model Simulations of Open Cellular Convection Over the Sea, Boundary Layer Meteorology, online

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Vincent et al (2011)

Extreme winds

The spectral correction method

- To prepare long term time series from modelling
- To examine the spectral behavior of the time series
- To apply the spectral correction
- To obtain the corrected extreme wind estimation

$$k_p = \sqrt{2 \ln \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{m_2 T_0}{m_0}} \right)}$$

and $k_p = \frac{U_{max} - U}{\sigma}$

$$m_j = 2 \int_0^\infty \varphi(\omega) \omega^j S(\omega) d\omega$$

Larsén, Ott, Badger, Hahmann, Mann 2011: Recipes for correcting the impact of effective mesoscale resolution on the extreme wind estimation. Journal of Applied Meteorological Meteorology, Published online, DOI:10.1175/JAMC-D-11-090.1

Extreme winds

The selective dynamical downscaling method

- To identify the storms from a selected region from global data
- To model the storms through the years using high resolution mesoscale modeling, here we use WRF
- To apply the post-processing procedure to convert the mesoscale winds to a standard condition, which is prepared for data validation and the further microscale modeling
- To use WAsP Engineering or other microscale models to obtain the site-specific extreme winds

| Stations | WRF | OBS |
|-----------|----------|------------|
| Sprogø | 24.2±4.4 | 23.9±2.0 * |
| Tystofte | 25.0±5.4 | 25.7±2.9 * |
| Kegnæs | 25.8±5.5 | 26.3±3.8 * |
| Jylæx | 27.4±5.4 | 29.1±2.9 * |
| Risø | 25.6±5.3 | 23.7 ± 4.7 |
| Hovsøre | 29.7±5.8 | 29.8 ± 9.4 |
| Horns Rev | 29.0±5.3 | 31.6±8.5 |
| FINO | 27.8±4.3 | 30.3±7.6 |

Fig.: Example of the U50 at standard conditions (z=10 m, z0=5 cm) over Denmark and surroundings

Higher uncertainty for offshore sites at least partly because of missing wave dynamics in the current WRF simulation.

Larsén, Badger, Hahmann, Ott, Mortensen 2011: Extreme wind atlases using the selective dynamical downscaling method. EWEC 2011, Scientific Proceedings, p186 -189

Main features of FUGA a Lin. Wake model

- Solves linearized RANS equations
- Closure: mixing length, $k-\epsilon$ or 'simple' ($v_t = \kappa U_* z$)
- Fast, mixed-spectral solver using pre-calculated look-up tables (LUTs)
- No computational grid, no numerical diffusion, no spurious mean pressure gradients
- Integration with WAsP: import of wind climate and turbine data.
- 10⁶ times faster than conventional CFD!

Validation

Normalized Power

Distance [m]

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Meandering of Wakes and the application to wake deficit

- In DWM meandering is modelled as if the wake was a passive scalar diffusing Mann turbulence. This approach will be tried, but we expect it to seriously slow down computation time.
- As an alternative we will try a simpler model and adjust it to the Mann turbulence model and/or to data (how?). The simple model follows a fluid particle backwards in time and from a rotor to see how many upwind rotors it has passed through. From this the accumulated velocity deficit can be estimated.
- The simple model is based on a Langevin equation. The model has two parameters: a turbulence velocity σ_u and a Lagrangian time scale T_L .
- The slowest part of the meandering will only causes a general trend during 10 minutes. This part can be estimated from data...

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Non-stationarity and trend

10 minute average wind direction

- Conventional wisdom says: Data from a 10 minute sampling period is representative for a stationary time series and average values define one single CFD flow case.
- Is it better to regard it as a non-stationary time series covering a range of CFD flow calculations?
- What is the typical 10 minutes drift of the wind direction?

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Drift

Horns Rev 1 met mast data

- Definitions:
 - Wind direction : θ
 - 10 minutes average of θ : θ_a
 - Drift of θ_a during 10 minutes: $\Delta\theta_a = \theta_a(t+10\text{min}) - \theta_a(t)$
 - Rms value of $\Delta\theta_a$: $\sigma_{\Delta\theta_a} = \langle (\Delta\theta_a)^2 \rangle^{1/2}$
- $\sigma_{\Delta\theta_a}$ is a measure of the linear drift of the average wind direction during 10 minutes.
- $\sigma_{\Delta\theta_a}$ can be obtained from 10 minutes average wind vane data.

$\sigma_{\Delta\theta_a} = 4.7$ degrees

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Effect of mean value drift (a sort of meandering)

Nysted $278^\circ \pm 2.5^\circ$ bin

Normalized production

Row number

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Spectra

Larsén, Vincent & Larsen 2011

Frequency [Hz]

Courtney & Troen 1990

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The Egmond aan Zee wind farm

Rotor diameters [-]

Rotor diameters [-]

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FULL SCALE VERIFICATION OF WIND FARM PRODUCTION PREDICTIONS

The result is 29.30MW, 29.56MW and 29.26MW for measurements, FUGA and DWM, respectively.

Park production 0-360°, 8 m/s ± 0.5m/s

Wind direction [°]

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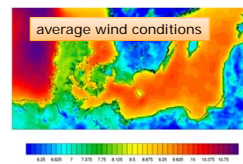
Summary of applications of mesoscale modeling activities



Meso-scale modeling offshore have proven to be very use full according the following list:

- Wind power resources and forecasting
 - power distribution modeling
 - combination of dynamical and statistical methods
 - Wind atlas applications (extremes, variability, correlations etc)
 - assimilation of wind farm data (nacelle winds and yaw angles)
 - Prediction of the meandering characteristic for wake deficit – used for optimizing windfarm layout
- Forecasting icing occurrence and ice amount on turbine blades in cold climate
- External design parameters for wind farm design (extremes, shear, veer not turbulence -sofar)

Dynamical downscaling applications



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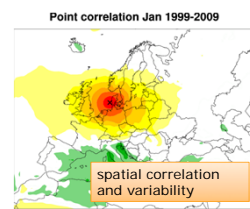
Wind speed, HOVS; height: 100 m

Wind speed (m/s)

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time series: diurnal, seasonal and interannual variability



-0.9 -0.75 -0.6 -0.45 -0.3 -0.15 0 0.15 0.3 0.45 0.6 0.75 0.9


Studies of other wind-related atmospheric conditions: icing, severe temporal variability, predictability, etc.

Sensor movement correction for direct turbulence measurements in the marine atmospheric boundary layer


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Background



Increased development of sustainable energy sources to mitigate climate change → construction of offshore wind farms in deep water

Main issue:

- Only sparse «real» offshore turbulence measurements have been performed in the MABL
- More measurements under real offshore conditions are needed to characterize the air-sea boundary layer
- Most of the measurements taken between 2m – 50m above the sea surface
- Floating offshore wind turbines will reach the height of 150m above the sea surface



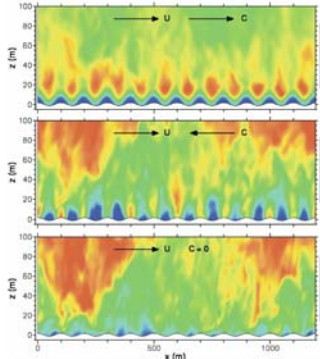


Why characterize the MABL?

Direct turbulence measurements in the MABL will distinctly improve the understanding of the turbulent momentum transfer in the lower atmosphere and the corresponding exchange processes with the sea surface.


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This is essential for the prediction of offshore wind directions and wind speeds in the lower atmosphere

Results from Sullivan et al, 2008 suggest that surface waves influence the lower part of the boundary layer in horizontal and vertical wind directions

Contours of the modeled u component of the horizontal wind field for cases with moving and stationary waves. The nondimensional field shown is \bar{u}/U_g .




Measurement techniques

All turbulence measurements that have been collected on floating platforms need to be corrected for platform motion and orientation

There are four ways to do the correction:

- *Covariance (eddy correlation)* → direct measurement
- *Inertial-dissipation* → indirect measurements
- *Mean profiles* → indirect measurements
- *Bulk aerodynamic methods* → indirect measurements

(Fairall and Larsen 1986)




Direct covariance estimates from moving platforms

Main issue: part of the fluctuating velocity is due to platform motion that must be removed before the computation of the fluxes.

Contamination sources:

- instantaneous tilt of the anemometer due to variations in pitch, roll and heading
- angular velocities at the anemometer due to rotation of the platform about its local coordinate system axes
- translational velocities of the platform with respect to a fixed frame of reference

(Edson et al. 1998; Hare et al. 1992)



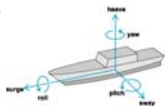
Direct covariance estimates from moving platforms

Using roll (Φ), pitch (θ), and yaw (Ψ) to describe the platform orientation the wind velocity vector in a fixed reference frame can be written as

$$\mathbf{U}_{true} = \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{U}_{obs} + \mathbf{\Omega}_{obs} \times \mathbf{R}) + \mathbf{V}_{mot}$$

where $\mathbf{V}_{mot} = \mathbf{V}_{lp} + \mathbf{V}_{hp}$

(Edson et al. 1998)



\mathbf{U}_{true} – desired wind vector in the reference coordinate system

\mathbf{T} – coordinate transformation matrix for rotation from platform coordinate system to the reference coordinate system

\mathbf{U}_{obs} – measured wind velocity in the platform frame

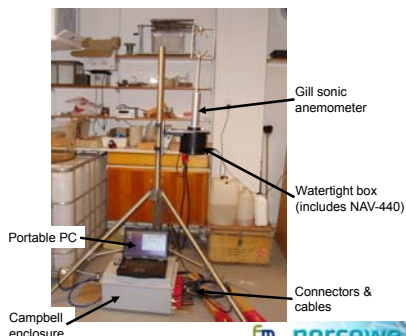
$\mathbf{\Omega}_{obs}$ – angular velocity vector of the platform coordinate system

\mathbf{R} – position vector of the wind sensor with respect to the motion package

\mathbf{V}_{mot} – translational velocity vector



Eddy correlation system



Campaign

- Field campaign at Martha's Vineyard Coastal Observatory (Massachusetts) between April 13 – June 29, 2010
- Measurement site is located 3.2 km south of Martha's Vineyard in a water depth of 15 meter
- DCFS measurements from both Air Sea Interaction Tower and a buoy with "strapped down system" moored 600 meters away from the ASIT
- Operation height of the sonic anemometer was 4 meter above the mean sea level on both the tower and buoy



Preliminary results

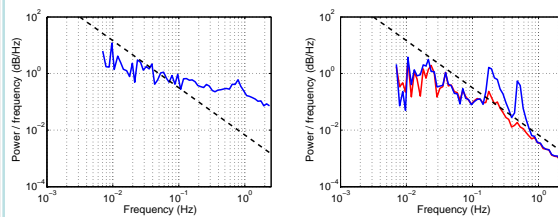


Figure: The measured (blue) and corrected (red) horizontal U-velocity power spectra from the ASIT (left) and the buoy (right). The measurements were taken simultaneously in a 20 minute period starting at 23:00h UTC on May 10, 2010 with an eastward wind. The left panel shows ASIT measurements contaminated by flow distortion from the tower legs. The dashed line indicates the -5/3 slope in the inertial subrange.



Preliminary results

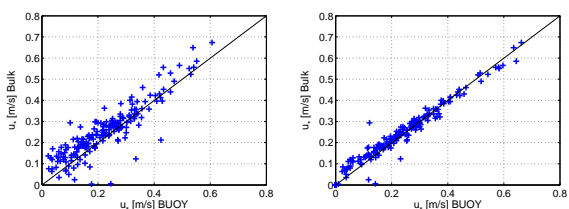


Figure: Uncorrected (left) and corrected (right) friction velocity estimates from the buoy data versus friction velocity estimates computed by the bulk method. The fluxes are shown for a 10 day period and represent averages over 20 minutes.



Preliminary results

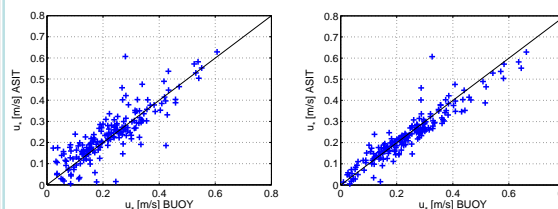


Figure: Uncorrected (left) and corrected (right) friction velocity estimates from the buoy data versus ASIT. The fluxes are shown for a 10 day period and represent averages over 20 minutes.



Summary and Outlook

We want to measure turbulence in the MABL


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Measurements from floating platforms, e.g. ships or buoys

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Post-processing and correction of the gathered data to account for the platforms attitude

The experience and results of this study will be used and applied for the development and deployment of two own turbulence flux buoys.



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Eddy correlation system


Gill R3A-100 sonic anemometer:

- sampling rate up to 100Hz
- both binary and ASCII output available
- can provide an average of a fixed numbers of readings


Crossbow NAV440 (IMU):

- integrated GPS and Attitude & Heading reference system (AHRS)
- utilizes low drift MEMS-based inertial sensors with GPS
- will be housed inside a watertight box at the sensor head

GPS antenna



NAV 440 – IMU



Gill sonic anemometer





Figure 3: The systems anemometer and the NAV440 with GPS antenna.



Eddy correlation system





Figure 4: The Campbell enclosure with MOXA, power supply and connectors.

MOXA UC-7420:


- act as data logger and control unit for the system
- RISC based ready-to-run LINUX computer
- CF and USB-port for adding external memory
- using WLAN all recorded data will be send to an external PC and saved on hard disk



Measurement techniques

- Indirect methods have been used to avoid application of correction algorithms due to platform motion and flow distortion
- The indirect methods gives only an estimate of the turbulent fluxes
- The indirect methods depend on additional poorly understood parameterizations to account for the interaction between the wave field and the surface fluxes


(Edson et al. 1998)



Goal of present study

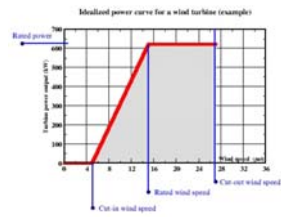
Improvement of the motion correction algorithm of Edson et al. (1998)

- The angles (yaw, pitch, roll) are found by complimentary filtering with a predefined cut-off frequency.
- In the present study, the high-pass filter that is applied to the accelerations before and after its integration has a different cut-off frequency.



Why characterize the MABL?

- $production \sim U^3$
- Average wind speed and turbulence structure in MABL is of outermost importance
→ has to be addressed under aspect of tolerable structural loads and potential damage



Idealized power curve from a wind turbine. Source: <http://www.windatlas.ca/en/faq.php>

- Accurate weather forecast is needed



Modelling the effect of ocean waves on the atmospheric and ocean boundary layers

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Introduction

- Ocean waves affect wind power generation:
 - Directly
 - Via the atmosphere
 - Via the ocean
- Direct effects:
 - forces on structures;
 - slamming of steep waves;
 - spray: corrosion/icing.



Introduction 2

- Via atmosphere:
 - waves change the air–sea momentum flux;
 - affect the aerodynamic turbulent roughness length;
 - change the wind velocity profile;
 - generate airflow oscillations
- Via the ocean:
 - air bubbles affecting corrosion and marine biology;
 - wave-induced currents;
 - breaking-wave induced and bottom turbulence;
 - effects on marine ecology
 - drift/dispersion of pollutants, oil spills, floating objects etc.



We present

- Modelling ocean waves and their effect on the atmospheric lower boundary
 - Roughness length affected by momentum flux from air to wave field
- Modelling the effect of the waves on the ocean:
 - One-dimensional turbulence model
 - Idealised current profile
 - Temperature profile, comparison with observations



The atmosphere

- Atmospheric model: Weather Research and Forecasting (WRF)
 - Freely available, large community of developers/users
- Wave model: WAM
 - Available free of charge, used for global/regional/shelf simulations since c. 1990
- Coupling scheme: MCEL
 - Freely available, development funded by US Dept. of Defence
 - Can interpolate/couple models with different grids



Atmosphere model

- WRF
 - state-of-the-art non-hydrostatic mesoscale model
 - developed for numerical weather prediction and related application
- Polar stereographic, 30 km × 30 km grid
- Default YSU planetary boundary layer (PBL) scheme
- Default Monin-Obukhov surface-layer physics
 - modified to import a variable Charnock coefficient calculated from the wave model variables every 60 minutes, using the MCEL coupling scheme

Turbulent neutral boundary layer

$$U(z) = (u_* / \kappa) \log(z/z_0)$$

$$u_* = (\tau / \rho_a)^{1/2} = \text{friction velocity}$$

$$z_0 = \alpha u_*^2 / g \quad \alpha = \text{Charnock parameter}$$

$$\kappa \approx 0.4 \quad \text{von Kármán constant}$$

Wave model

- WAM Cycle 4
- Grid 0.4° longitude × 0.2° latitude
- Driven by wind speed and direction at 10 m above surface
 - Every 60 minutes, interpolated from WRF grid by MCEL scheme
- Computes air-to-wave (τ_w) and total air-to-sea ($\tau = \rho_a u_*^2$) momentum flux
- τ_w / τ and u_* are fed back to the WRF model every 60 minutes

Model coupling

- Model Coupling Environment Library (MCEL)
- CORBA-based client-server based coupling framework, may be used for couple numerical models with differing domains and grid resolutions.

- Within WRF, we apply the algorithm of Janssen (1991) and Brown and Wolf (2009) as follows: If wave-model information is available,

$$\alpha_v = \min \left(\frac{\alpha_{\min}}{\sqrt{1 - (\tau_w / \tau)}}, \alpha_{\max} \right), \quad (1)$$

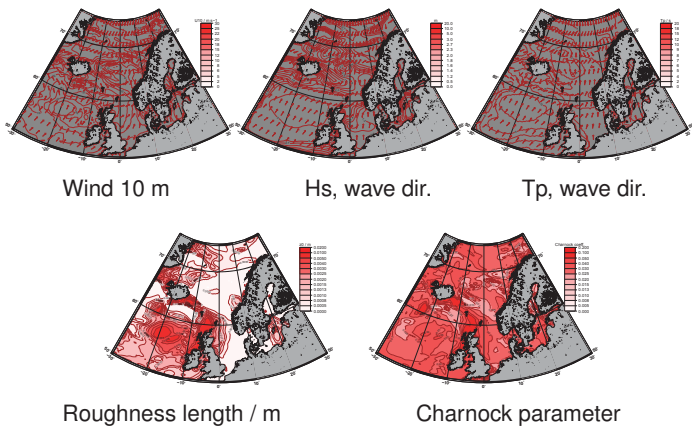
$$z_0 = (\alpha_v u_*^2 / g) + z_{0\min}, \quad (2)$$

where α_v is the variable Charnock parameter, $\alpha_{\min} = 0.01$ and $\alpha_{\max} = 0.31$. $z_{0\min} = 1.59 \times 10^{-5}$ m. Where no wave-model information is available, a constant Charnock parameter of 0.0185 is used.

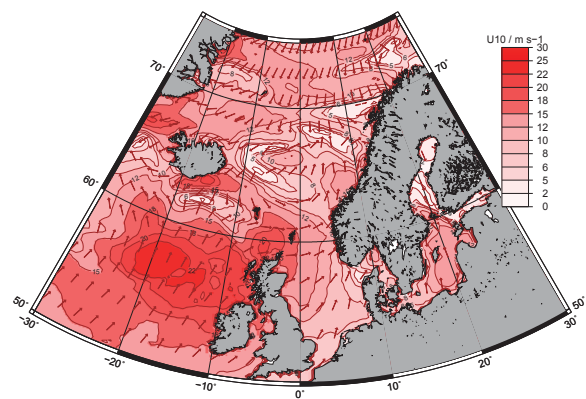
Results, atmosphere–wave coupling

- Main result: Charnock parameter and roughness length are enhanced where the waves are developing rapidly and the sea is not fully developed.
- Occurs where the wind is changing rapidly with time or where the fetch is reduced (the wind is blowing offshore)
- Both situations may be described as ‘young wave’ conditions with a low wave age c_p / u_* , where c_p is the celerity of the dominant waves.
- This will tend to produce a reduced wind speed and increased turbulence at a $O(100 \text{ m})$ wind turbine height.

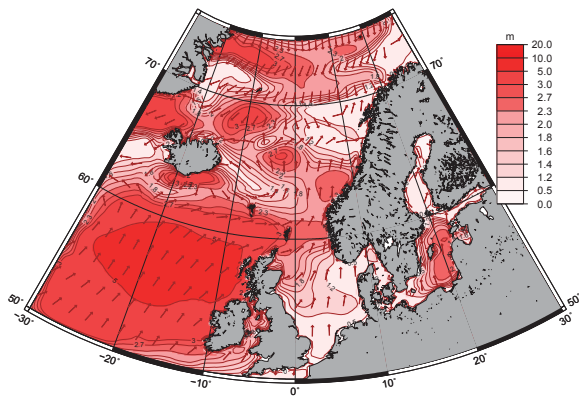
WAM wave model results after 24 hours' simulation



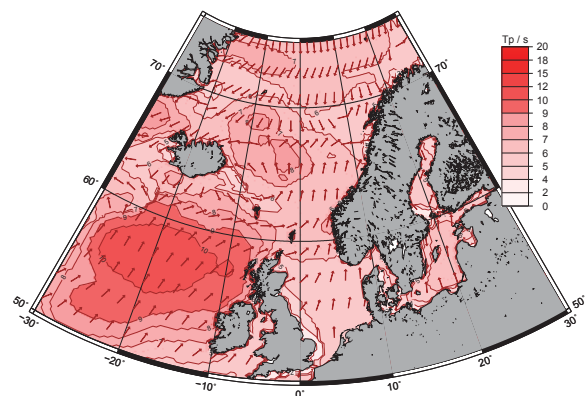
Wind at 10 m height



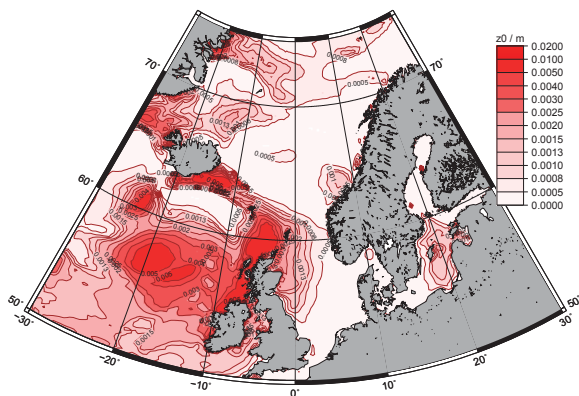
Significant wave height and wave direction



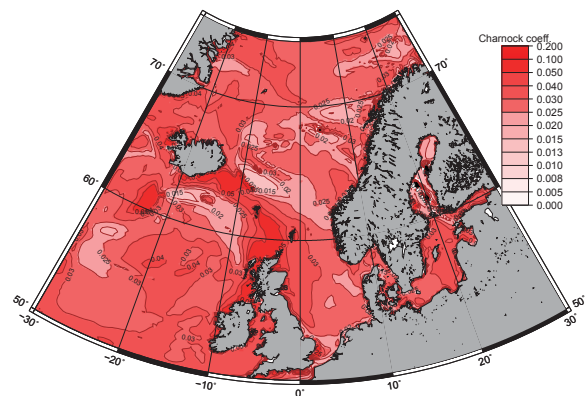
Peak wave period and direction

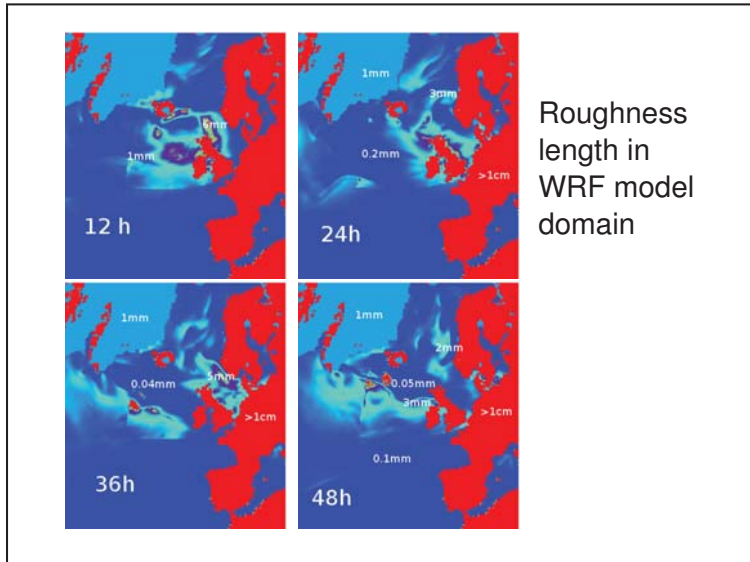


Roughness length / metres




Charnock parameter





Ocean boundary-layer study


- We apply the one-dimensional General Ocean Turbulence Model (GOTM, Burchard 2002), and add the influence of surface waves.
- The momentum and energy equations are modified to include the surface wave stress, wind energy input, wave dissipation, and Stokes drift.
- The Stokes drift is considered as a wave property, and the model equations are for the Eulerian current

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- A modified $k-\epsilon$ turbulence closure model is used, with an upper flux boundary condition


$$\frac{\nu_t}{\sigma_k} \frac{\partial k}{\partial z} = -F_k, \quad (3)$$

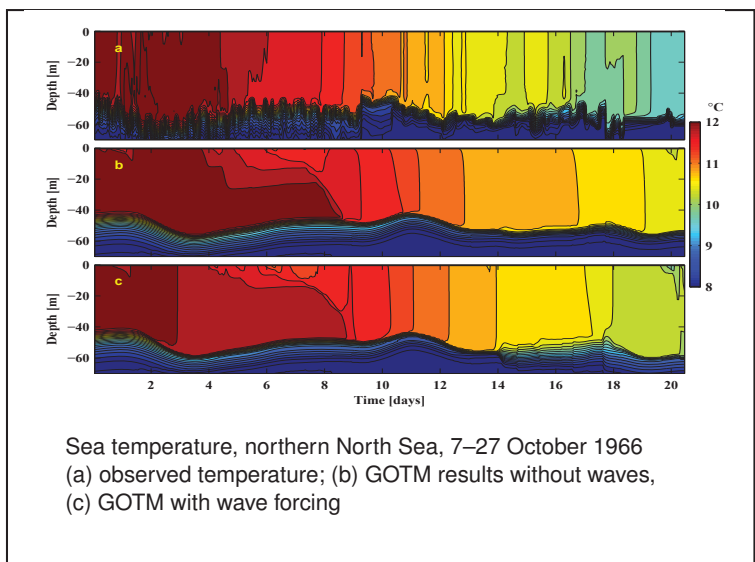
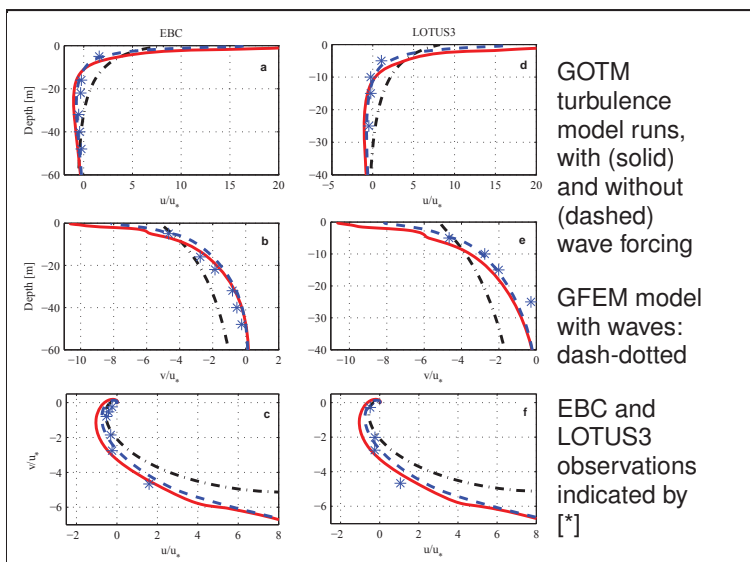
where σ_k is the turbulent Schmidt number and F_k is the transfer of kinetic and potential energy to enhance the near-surface TKE.

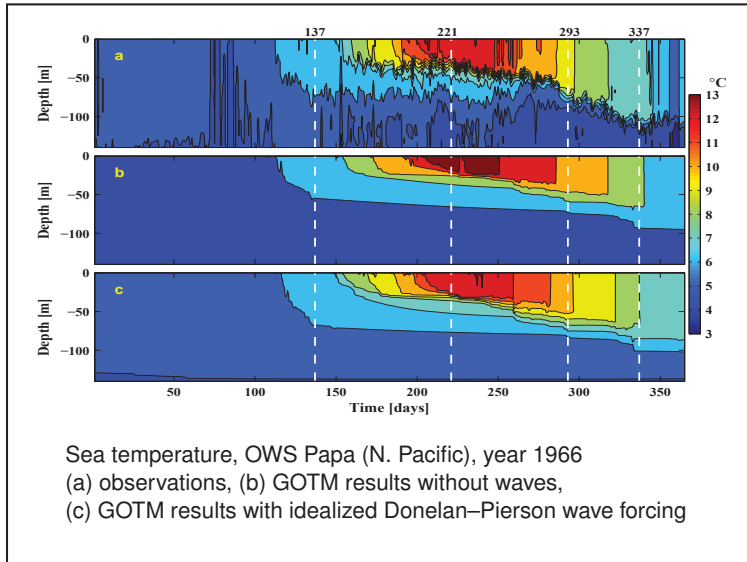
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Comparison with ocean measurements

- Long Long Term Upper Ocean Study (LOTUS3), Sargasso Sea, and Eastern Boundary Current (EBC) experiment, eastern North Pacific
- PROVESS, northern North Sea, October 1966
- Ocean Weather Station (OWS) Papa, northern Pacific, 1966
- Wave field is assumed to be fully developed, with a Donelan–Pierson wave spectrum.

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Conclusion

- Wave–atmosphere interaction results: primarily an enhancement of the surface aerodynamic roughness during rapidly-developing and short-fetch conditions.
- indicate a modest reduction of mean wind speed and increase in turbulence intensity at wind turbine hub height.
- Since the wave-induced momentum flux may differ in direction from that of the wind, it may be advantageous to allow for a difference in the directions of wind and stress in subsequent versions of the coupled model system.

Conclusion 2

- Wave-ocean interaction results show that including wave forcing decreases the deviation of temperature evolution and mixed-layer dynamics from those of in observations, thus affecting the sub-surface foci and ocean environment in marine wind-power generation areas.
- Stokes drift is a dominant wave effect which increases surface drift speed and turning angle of upper ocean current.
- Some uncertainties in the results because of contamination by advection
- Future studies should ideally make more detailed measurements in the near-surface layer of the ocean and a better estimate of breaking-wave effects.

First results of turbulence measurements in a wind park with the Small Unmanned Meteorological Observer SUMO

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Outline

- introduction
- presentation of the SUMO system
- description of the measurement site and campaign
- first results
- pitfalls and lessons learned
- outlook



Background

the structure of and the processes in the lowest few hundreds of meters in the marine atmospheric boundary layer (MABL) are poorly understood

- average wind profile
- wind shear
- turbulence intensity
- atmospheric stability
- non-stationary lower boundary layer (waves)

established measurement methods (masts, lidars, sodar, sodar RASS) are infrastructural demanding, expensive and rather inflexible

developments in microelectronics and miniaturization of sensors and components allows now for the implementation of flow and turbulence measurements also on very small and lightweight micro-UAS (Unmanned Aircraft System)

SUMO (Small Unmanned Meteorological Observer)



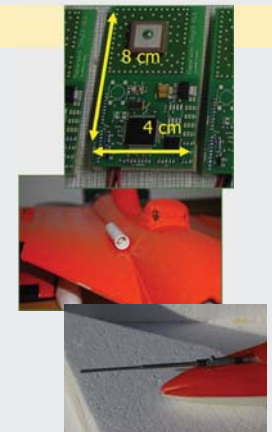
| vehicle type | fixed wing UAS |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| DIMENSIONS | |
| wingspan | 0.80 m |
| length | 0.75 m |
| height | 0.23 m |
| propeller diameter | 227 mm (9"x6") |
| take-off weight | 600 g |
| PROPULSION | |
| motor | electric brushless |
| motor type | AXI212/26 |
| motor power | 120 W |
| battery type | lithium-polymer (3 cells) |
| battery capacity | 2.4 Ah/11.1 V |
| SPEED AND ENDURANCE | |
| minimum speed | 8 m/s |
| maximum speed | 42 m/s |
| cruise speed | 15 m/s |
| horizontal range | < 10 km |
| vertical range | > 4 km |
| flight duration | < 40 min |

SUMO operation – ground control station (GCS)



SUMO sensors

- **autonomous navigation:** Paparazzi, an open source auto pilot system (including GPS and IMU)
- **temperature sensor:** SHT75 by Sensirion (± 0.5 K)
- **humidity sensor:** SHT75 Sensirion (± 1.8 %)
- **temperature sensor:** Pt1000 (± 0.3 K)
- **pressure sensor:** SCP 1000 by VTI Technologies
- **IR thermopile:** surface temperature monitoring
- **5-hole probe:** for 100 Hz measurement of the 3D wind vector



SUMO turbulence sensor

miniaturized 5-hole probe from Aeroprobe Inc., USA (3 mm diameter)
 differential pressure measurements (static-dynamic, left right, up-down)
 provides flow velocity and angles of sideslip and attack with 100 Hz resolution



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SUMO campaigns

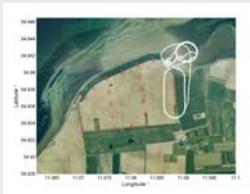
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|-------------------------------------|--|--------------|------------------|-------------|
| FLÖHOF, Hofsjökull, Central Iceland | stationary gravity waves, evaluation of ABL schemes in WRF | 30 | 3580 m | summer 2007 |
| Svalbard | system test polar region | 44 | 1470 m | winter 2008 |
| Coburg, Germany | nocturnal BL | 25 | 2450 m | summer 2008 |
| FLUXPAT III, Jülich, Germany | BL and inhomogeneous surfaces | 34 | 800 m | summer 2008 |
| Svalbard | polar BL; simultaneous flights; evaluation of ABL schemes in WRF | 85 | 1500 m | spring 2009 |
| MOSO, Iceland | orographic flow modification; land-sea breeze | 68 | 2990 m | summer 2009 |
| Andfjorden, Northern Norway | characterization of MBL; search and rescue | 4 | 1600 m | fall 2009 |
| Lolland Denmark | turbulence in a wind park | 70 | 100 m | spring 2011 |
| BLLAST, France | convective boundary layer transition | 299 | 1600 m | summer 2011 |

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Measurement campaign Lolland, Denmark

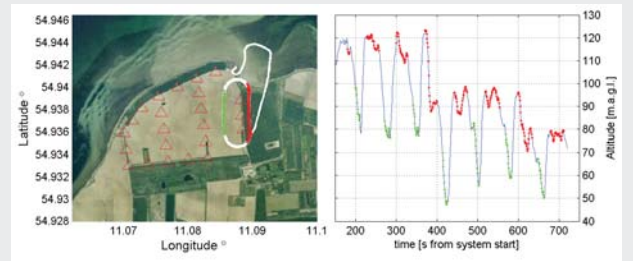
- 5 days, May 9-13, 2011
- funded by the Danish (energinet.dk) ForskEL project "Autonomous Aerial Sensors for Wind Power Meteorology (project number 10268) (DTU Risø, University of Bergen, Aalborg University, University of Braunschweig, University of Tübingen)
- Nøjsomheds Odde wind farm owned and operated by Dong Energy
- 21 Bonus 1000 turbines (1 MW, hub height 55 m, diameter 52 m)
- a total of 70 flights, 20 with the advanced 5-hole probe turbulence system



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turbulence measurements



- insufficient altitude control of the autopilot (incomplete fine-tuning of the control parameters after change of altitude control by IMU instead of IR horizon)
- difficult to correct turbulence measurements for aircraft movement (2 unsynchronized data loggers with different measurement frequencies: turbulence probe 100 Hz, autopilots attitude 10 Hz)

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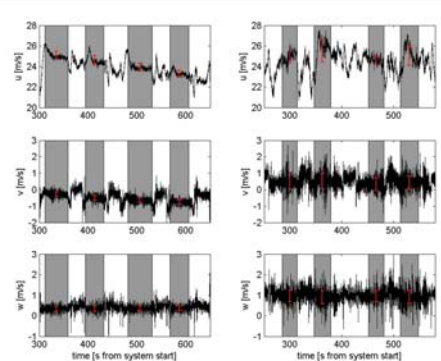
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turbulence measurements

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|-----------------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| upwind | | | | | 0.35 | 0.15 | 0.14 |
| 81.6 | 241.7 | 25.0 | -0.28 | 0.34 | 0.24 | 0.15 | 0.12 |
| 79.8 | 62.1 | 24.5 | -0.52 | 0.35 | 0.42 | 0.17 | 0.17 |
| 79.2 | 241.9 | 24.0 | -0.62 | 0.35 | 0.46 | 0.15 | 0.13 |
| 78.4 | 62 | 23.3 | -0.77 | 0.37 | 0.29 | 0.14 | 0.13 |
| downwind | | | | | 1.05 | 0.43 | 0.31 |
| 80.0 | 327.5 | 23.2 | 0.57 | 1.08 | 0.99 | 0.38 | 0.27 |
| 87.3 | 147.8 | 24.5 | 0.58 | 1.02 | 1.69 | 0.47 | 0.33 |
| 79.9 | 327.5 | 24.7 | 0.49 | 0.98 | 0.85 | 0.40 | 0.25 |
| 85.2 | 123.4 | 24.0 | 0.71 | 1.08 | 0.66 | 0.45 | 0.37 |

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Summary and outlook

measurements of the turbulent flow vector are becoming feasible even with platforms in the micro-UAS class below 1 kg take-off weight
crucial to implement a common data logging system with identical data acquisition rates for the turbulence measurements and the aircraft attitude

the issue of insufficient altitude stability has been solved in the meanwhile

master project on further evaluation of existing measurements and future improvements of the system has recently been started

micro-UAS will in the future provide complementary measurements to the established measurement methods, in particular for the investigation of the wake effect of a single wind turbine or of a limited number of wind turbines inside a wind park

larger UAS with longer endurance will be capable of longer flights around larger wind farms, e.g. for the investigation of the far field wake of a park

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Thanks for your attention !!!

and do not forget:
Next time you hear SUMO...



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C2 Met-ocean conditions

An insight into floating lidars for offshore wind measurements,
Matt Smith, Natural Power

Comparison of met-mast and lidar measurements at Frøya,
Prof Lars Sætran, NTNU

Experiences and results from the Statoil's LIDAR measurement Campaign at
Utsira, Yngve Ydersbond, Kjeller Vindteknikk AS


An insight into lidars for offshore wind measurements

natural power 



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Wind Lidar Innovations
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CONTEXT – EUROPEAN OFFSHORE WIND



In Europe, as of 30 June 2011, there are 1,247 offshore wind turbines fully grid connected with a total capacity of 3,294 MW in 49 wind farms spread over 9 countries.


Over 100 GW of offshore wind projects are in various stages of planning and, if realised, would produce 10% of the EU's electricity

The offshore wind energy resource will never become a limiting factor. There is enough energy over the seas of Europe to meet total European electricity demand several times over. In a recent study, the European Environment Agency (EEA) estimates the technical potential of offshore wind energy in the EU to be 30,000 TWh annually. The European Commission estimates total EU electricity demand of between 4,279 TWh and 4,408 TWh in 2030.

It would require eight areas of 100 km times 100 km (10,000 km².) to meet all of the EU's electricity demand, or less than 2% of Europe's sea area not including the Atlantic. The combined area of the North, Baltic and Irish Seas and the English Channel is more than 1,300,000 km². The Mediterranean is an additional 2,500,000 km²

Mediterranean and Atlantic basins as well as Norway. Within these waters (over 50m in depth) it is likely that floating support structures will prove to be more economical.


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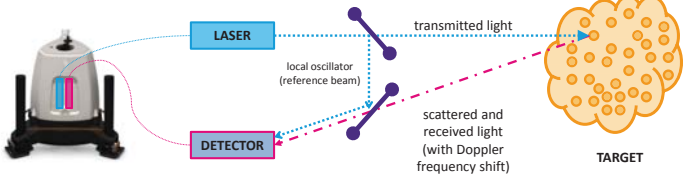
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INTRODUCTION TO LIDAR



Principles of operation:

- Laser radiation scatters from atmospheric aerosols
- A laser is focussed at a point incident with the aerosols
- Aerosols movement follows the wind
- Scattered radiation is 'Doppler' shifted by the wind speed
- The 'in-line' component of wind speed is measured

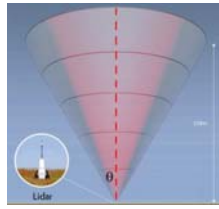
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INTRODUCTION TO LIDAR

Lidar can provide:

- remote wind profiling across heights from 10 metres to 200 metres
- hub height, tip height measurements and beyond
- wind speed measurements – both vertical and horizontal wind components
- turbulence intensity measurements
- minimised health and safety risks due to removal of working at height on mast structures
- rapid installation in hard to reach areas – forested sites, helicopter drop zones



REQUIREMENTS FOR LIDAR MEASUREMENTS OFFSHORE

Reduce cost of offshore anemometry in comparison to fixed mast / platform configuration

Use of tried and tested solutions, with proven experience

Flexibility in anemometry location – roving anemometry across large sites

Long servicing intervals due to cost of access offshore



OFFSHORE LIDAR HISTORY AND CURRENT ACCEPTANCE

The ZephIR lidar has been used in over 30 offshore campaigns around the world, including:

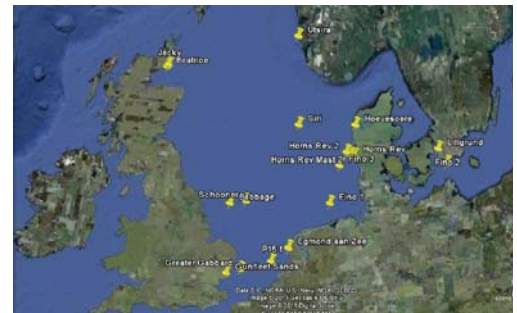
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| Horns Rev, North Sea | 2006 |
| Fino 1, North Sea | 2006 |
| NaiKun, Hecate Strait | 2006 |
| Cleveland Crib, Great Lakes | 2009 |
| Fino 3, North Sea | 2010 |
| Robin Rigg, Solway Firth | 2010 |
| Dogger Bank, North Sea | 2011 |



NORSEWIND – NORTHERN SEAS WIND INDEX DATABASE

GOALS:

- Offshore resource assessment
- Lidar utilisation in the wind industry
- Satellite based remote sensing
- Computational modelling
- Offshore wind shear profiling
- Wind power forecasting
- Offshore economics



NORSEWIND – NORTHERN SEAS WIND INDEX DATABASE

REMOTE SENSING:

The project was the first systematic use of Lidar for large area mapping

LIDAR Network maintained by: Oldbaum, GL Garrad Hassan Deutschland, Kjeller Vindteknikk

Developed its own testing and validation programme

Over 3000 operational days of data (to Nov 2011)

+ Level of system availability and reliability

- Getting a system offshore



SOME LESSONS:

Offshore Shear –Extremely important

Mast Flow Distortion – an issue even when looking at IEC “compliant” masts

Offshore Deployments – never easy

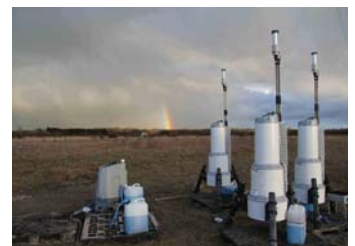
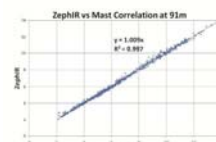
OFFSHORE LIDAR HISTORY AND CURRENT ACCEPTANCE

Offshore deployments are subject to three key performance criteria for wind data:

- Lidar velocity calibration
- Lidar performance verification
- Lidar batch production results

These criteria form the basis for many of the Best Practice Guidelines in place today, including:

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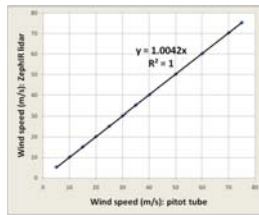
LIDAR VELOCITY CALIBRATION

Velocity calibration depends only on laser frequency and sampling rate of analogue-to-digital converter

Drift of these quantities over extended periods and temperature ranges is <0.1%

Recent measurements in a high-specification wind tunnel confirm very close agreement over a wide velocity range (up to 75m/s)

Lidar was operating at range 3.3m, beam aligned with flow, 50Hz data rate, integrated over 2 seconds; no seeding in tunnel



Acknowledgement: LM Windpower, Risø DTU and NKT Photonics



LIDAR PERFORMANCE VERIFICATION AT RS TEST SITE

Natural Power has established its remote sensing test site close to Pershore, UK

90m mast in flat terrain (disused airfield)

Speed data from paired cups at 4 heights; direction data from vanes at 2 levels

Lidar verification process devised in collaboration with GLGH

Instrumentation conforms with IEC recommendations



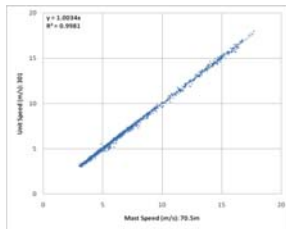
LIDAR BATCH PRODUCTION RESULTS

Standard performance verification example for ZephIR 300 unit

Calibration consistency has been analysed for new and returning units

Statistical analysis of regression slopes for 15 ZephIR 300 units shows standard deviation of <0.5% at all heights

Results provide confidence in ZephIR lidar for bankable offshore resource assessment



BEST PRACTICE APPLICATIONS

The following table summarises Natural Power's present position on the acceptability of different ZephIR campaign configurations where ZephIR is being used as the primary measurement device for the purposes of finance level resource and energy yield analysis

| | Offshore | Simple terrain | Complex/Forested |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------------|------------------|
| Single ZephIR, no co-located mast | YES | YES | NO |
| Single ZephIR with co-located mast | YES | YES | YES* |

*Mast should be at least 15 m above the tree tops. Volume-to-point conversion calculations may be required (discussed later).

It is assumed in all cases that the ZephIR unit is subject to pre-and post campaign verification on a suitably-equipped calibration test site (see following slides).



OFFSHORE BEST PRACTICE

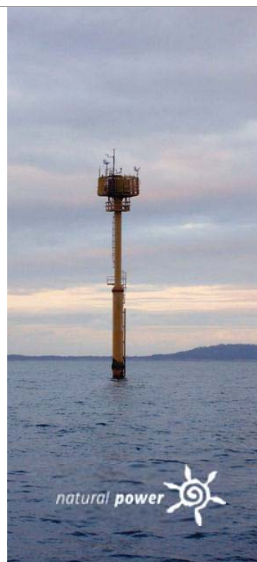
ZephIR can be recommended as a primary wind measurement system for offshore wind farms.

There is a significant and consistent body of evidence to support the use of ZephIR in offshore conditions as the sole data capture system.

Consider the installation of two Lidar systems for redundancy and to enable continued data to be collected during service intervals.

Where redundant ZephIRs are not practical or possible, consideration should be given to the installation of a short mast (20m above platform height) in order that there is a second source of wind measurements.

This should be done in the interests of data coverage, and not for wind speed measurement validation.



OFFSHORE BEST PRACTICE

Power supplies and communication systems should be scoped to provide double redundancy and be remotely manageable.

A pre-campaign test of ZephIR against a tall reference mast is required. A post-campaign test is also recommended.

As a minimum, offshore measurements should be conducted at the base of the planned rotor height, hub height and rotor top.

Post-processing and filtering of measurements should be carried out in accordance with best-practice for mast-based campaigns, in addition to any guidelines provided by the OEM.

Installation of a ZephIR on a sub-station platform can provide a permanent wind data solution on offshore projects. (see opposite which shows a ZephIR installed on the sub-station platform of E.ON's Robin Rigg 180MW offshore wind farm in the Solway Firth, SW Scotland)



METHODOLOGY FOR INITIAL FEASIBILITY STUDIES

Based on the use of an initial onshore ZephIR deployment

- Ideally at nearest point of coast to project location
- Quick and low cost installation, compared to a platform in early stages
- Ideally mains powered and secure

Derive offshore data point from validated meso-scale wind climate model (i.e. Vortex)

- Provides long-term (10-yr.) wind resource statistics and time series data

Correlation of onshore ZephIR data with meso-scale model data

- Perform correlation every 3 months (if required)
- Allows meso-scale model to be tuned to real data and prediction uncertainty reduced
- Derived site wind resource statistics can be used to perform an energy yield analysis

This method permits early, low-cost resource analysis, and delivers energy yield reports with lower uncertainty than can be otherwise achieved (without an offshore platform)

Offshore on-site data collection will still typically be required to provide full and final finance-grade analysis (see narec Case Study)...



NAREC: CASE STUDY IN THE NORTH SEA

narec offshore wind demonstrator project (Northumberland, UK)

Phase 1: Onshore building mounted ZephIR, <5km from project location

Onshore ZephIR data correlated with long-term offshore Vortex meso-scale model data, as per methodology described above
Data and results used to underpin ongoing resource analysis, energy yield prediction and site classification reports for the site owner and prospective site tenants (turbine OEMs)

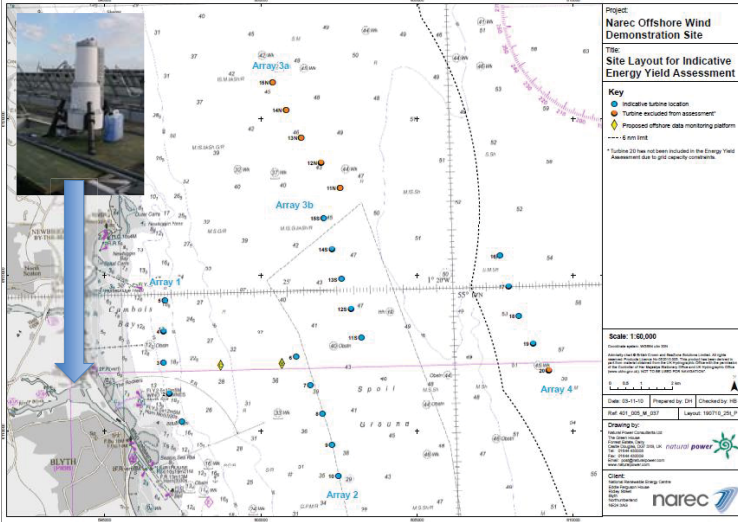
Phase 2: A second ZephIR and a tall met. mast are to be platform-mounted offshore

Onshore ZephIR to remain in-situ to provide consistency and allow extension of data period
All data will be utilised to produce finance-grade energy yield prediction and site classification reports, with minimised prediction uncertainty

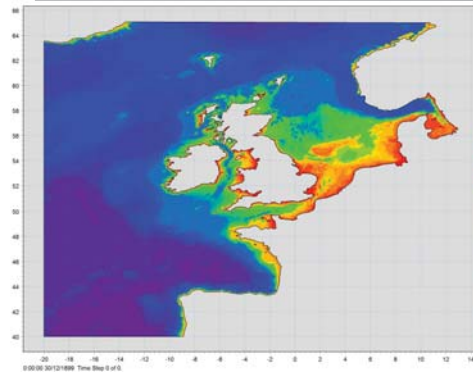
Public domain reports by Natural Power (publicly funded project):
http://www.narec.co.uk/testing_development/offshore_demonstration_site/report_downloads/



narec: Onshore ZephIR location and proposed platform location(s)



EUROPEAN WATER DEPTHS



USE OF EXISTING PLATFORMS

The use of existing platforms offers a "quick" way to get offshore:

- Research Stations
- Light houses
- Sub stations
- Oil and gas platforms

In the Offshore Wind Industry there has been an increase in size of Meteorological Mast platforms to allow for fitting or retro fit of Lidar. The design is not only relevant to the structure but has an impact on power budget and control systems.



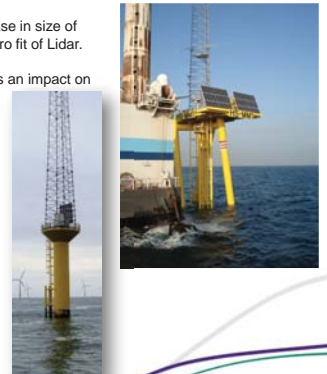
TRADITIONAL PLATFORM SOLUTIONS

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The design is not only relevant to the structure but has an impact on power budget (navigation aids) and control systems.

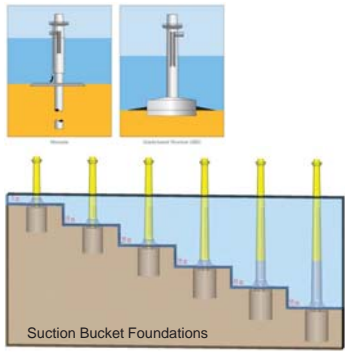
The costs associated with steel, power, installation and maintenance are all affected by the mix of mast and lidar. These round of installations will further boost the confidence in lidar only measurement campaigns.

This is especially relevant when you consider the development of deep water turbines.



TRADITIONAL PLATFORM SOLUTIONS

| Type of foundation | Wind physical description | Waterline water depth | Advantages | Limitations |
|---|--|-----------------------|---|--|
| Monopile steel | One supporting pile | 10 - 30m | Easy to manufacture, simple and good in previous projects | High noise, and competition fees depending on seabed conditions and turbine weight |
| Monopile concrete, installed by casting | One supporting pile | 10 - 40m | Combination of proven methods, cost effective, less environmental impact, no construction periods | Heavy to transport |
| Gravity base | Concrete structure, cast at location | Up to 40m and more | For piling, relatively easy to install, easy to remove | Transportation can be problematic for heavy turbines, it requires a preparation of the seabed, heavy heavy equip. must to remove it |
| Jack-up tower | Cylinder with fixed top, pushed into the ocean floor | n.a. | For piling, relatively easy to install, easy to remove | Very sensitive to seabed conditions |
| Fixed / quadruped | A rugged structure | Up to 30m and more | High strength, Adaptive for heavy large-scale turbines | Complex to manufacture, Heavy to transport |
| Jacked | Lattice structure | > 40m | Less noise, Adaptive for heavy large-scale turbines | Expensive to be adapted to wind loading and fatigue tests, Large structure makes them hard to install, labor on placing of structure and growing, therefore sensitive for weather impact |



Suction Bucket Foundations



DEEP WATER TURBINES

| Country | Project name | Principal partner | Description |
|----------|--------------------|---|--|
| Norway | Havard | Statkraft | Havard is the first full scale grid-connected floating prototype using tower class technology. It was installed off Karmøy island on the south west coast of Norway in 2009 with a Siemens 2.3 MW turbine. |
| Norway | Karmøy | Sway | Sway is building a prototype spar class floating design with the ambition of deploying a 5 MW turbine in 2013. |
| France | Vertevid | Technip | In association with Nipaxpac, Convergium and EDF Energies, Technip has launched a project to test a pre-industrial prototype of a vertical axis floating wind turbine. |
| France | Wido | Nass & Wind | In partnership with Sagem, DCNS and Wides, Wido is a 2.5 MW moored floating jacket class prototype to be installed off the coast of Brittany. Currently under development. |
| Spain | Zifer Test Station | Catalonia Institute for Energy Research | In collaboration with a number of major industry players the Zifer Test Station programme is intended to further deep water developments around Spain in two phases, the second of which involves installing eight turbines on floating structures at water depths of over 100 m. |
| Europe | H2Power | EU project consortium | Five year programme with a total budget of €19.8 million to develop a new floating platform for "very large" offshore turbines. |
| Spain | Altium Project | Gamesa | In partnership with Altium Wind, Acciona and Breda, the Altium Project has the objective of providing the groundwork for the development in around 2020 of a 15 MW offshore turbine. |
| Portugal | Windfloat | Principle Power | In partnership with EDP and InveCapital, the Windfloat Project intends to install a full scale Vestas V80 2 MW turbine for 12 months of testing in 2011. The Windfloat is a floating jacket design with moored turbines. |
| Italy | | Elia | A multi-national group of companies based in the Netherlands has developed a TLP concept consisting of a larger structure with several piles implanted in the surface. An off-grid prototype with an inactive turbine for visualisation purposes was installed 23 km off Brindisi, Italy in 100 m deep waters during 2007/8. |

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TWO MAIN FLOATING LIDAR PRODUCT DEVELOPMENTS

Free floating lidar - free-motion platforms with motion compensation
 Device floats on the water surface and compensate the motion of the buoy either:

- physically (using devices such as gimbals) or;
- in the processing of data (through algorithms)

"Free floating" lidars are useful tools for the industry but can have higher uncertainty attached to their data; particularly in more extreme offshore wave conditions.

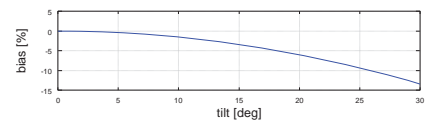
It is difficult to validate these compensations without experiencing all of the possible waves but they still offer a valuable insight into offshore wind conditions.

Motion-restricted floating lidar
 Motion of the floating platform is minimised as much as possible removing the need for motion compensation, aiming to spend as much time as possible with the device within 5 degrees of vertical without there being large vertical or horizontal movements.

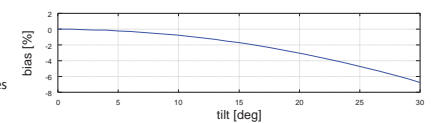
Easier to validate wind data as scenario is more representative of a lidar based on a fixed platform offshore or based at ground level onshore.

EFFECT OF TILT ON DATA – MOTION STABLE PLATFORM

Static tilt
 This may occur due to tides or steady currents. It should be possible to correct for steady state tilt using the ZephIR's inbuilt tilt sensor. For tilt less than 5°, bias is seen as 1% or less.



Low frequency periodic tilt (0.01 Hz)
 The averaging effect of a periodic (sinusoidal) tilt motion reduces the error by a factor of approximately 2, relative to the static case. For the cases of static and low frequency periodic tilt, vertical wind speed has no effect except at very high tilt angles. For tilt less than 5°, bias is seen as 0.25% or less.



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FLOATING PLATFORM LIDAR CASE STUDIES



"SeaZephIR" – production lidar mounted on spar buoy for platform stability
 Concept trialed in 2009: two ZephIR units deployed off coast of Norway, LandZephIR on small island, SeaZephIR buoy anchored out to sea
 Separation of units 800m: excellent correlation obtained

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COMPARISON BETWEEN SEA- AND LAND-BASED LIDARS



Wind speed time series data from height 90m above sea level:
 SeaZephIR data in red
 LandZephIR data in blue
 Data plotted here from 5-23 November 2009

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AVAILABLE PRODUCTS TODAY - FLIDAR



Industry standard buoy structure and anchoring adapted to most marine regulations

Rugged marine design by experienced marine engineers (GeoSea)

Pulsed LIDAR technology (Leosphere) – from 40m to 200m

Mechanical stabilisation and software correction algorithms



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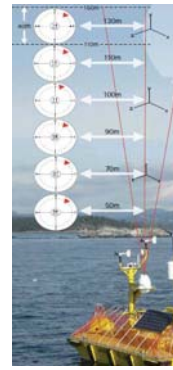
AVAILABLE PRODUCTS TODAY – WIND SENTINEL

Industry standard buoy structure and anchoring adapted to most marine regulations

Rugged marine design by experienced marine engineers (AXYS NOMAD buoy)

Pulsed LIDAR technology (Catch The Wind) – from 30m – 150m (extendable)

Motion compensated data



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AVAILABLE PRODUCTS TODAY – WAVESCAN ZEPHIR



Marine designed by experts at Fugro Oceanor

Mounted on the existing successful Fugro Wavescan buoy

Continuous Wave ZephiR lidar measuring from 10m-200m

Currently at pre-production prototype, testing being conducted Sletringen light house, Frøya.



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AVAILABLE PRODUCTS TODAY – SEA ZEPHIR



Industry standard stable tension leg buoy structure and anchoring adapted to most marine regulations

Rugged marine design by experienced marine engineers (SeaRoc)

Continuous Wave LIDAR technology (ZephiR) – from 10m to 200m

Inherently stable platform, no motion compensation

Energy autonomous

Satellite communication

Data retrieval and analysis via web interfaces (vuWind)



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POWER PERFORMANCE TESTING OFFSHORE WIND TURBINES

To date this has not really been possible in accordance with IEC guidance, the placement of a mast in the prevailing wind direction being quite difficult and very expensive offshore.

These floating lidars offer the ability to get measurements from upwind and therefore to assess the turbine performance.

The use of lidars is being considered by the IEC steering group and guidance is expected in the near future. The question will remain whether these floating lidars can be compliant.

The floating lidars will offer a better understanding of the situation than the tools we have today.

But then there is always.....



.... but that's a different story!

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9th Deep Sea Offshore Wind R&D Seminar
 19-20 January 2012, Royal Garden Hotel,
 Kjøpmannsgata 73, Trondheim, NORWAY

Comparison of met-mast and lidar measurements
 at Frøya

Prof Lars Sætran, NTNU

Some Results From the Wind Measurements at Titran Test Site

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•Goal:

- Data for Wind Energy Relevant for Offshore Wind
- Forecasting the wind behaviour of upcoming wind
- Temporal Wind Characteristics
- Turbulent Characteristics
- Spatial Correlation



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INSTRUMENTATION



Windcube

Anemometers, Temperature Sensors and Wind cube

Frøya test site: Skiphøia

Frøya is an **Island** on the West part of Trøndelag

- Exposed to ocean winds
- Facilities already present
 - 2x 100m Masts
 - 1x 45m Masts
 - Instrumentation cottage
- Some distance to the shore (300m > 3km)

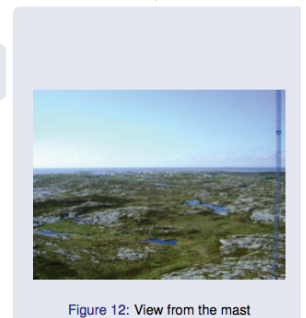


Figure 12: View from the mast

Comparison between the performances of
Wind LiDAR and **Sonic Anemometers**

- Measure **maritime wind** @heights (0-200m) relevant for Wind Energy
- LiDAR: **remote** measurement
- Sonic Anemometer: **direct** measurement

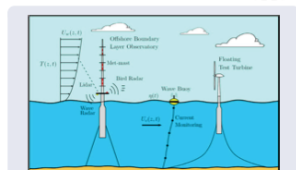


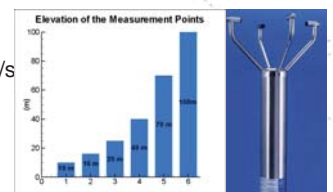
Figure 1: Offshore Wind measurements

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Sonic Anemometers

- Gill Anemometers
 Range 0 – 65 m/s
 Accuracy $\pm 2\%$ @ 12 m/s
 Resolution 0.01 m/s
 Offset ± 0.01 m/s
- Temperature Sensors
- 6 Levels
- 2 Anemometers at Each Level
- 1 Hz Sampling rate



Lidar:

- Indirect Measurement: (40m to 200m)
- Speed range: 0 – 46m/s
- Accuracy $\pm 2^\circ$; $\pm 0.2m/s$
- Sampling freq: ca. 0.9Hz
- 3D measurements
- **Expensive! (100k Euro)**
- Introduces time/space averaging



Figure 4: Leosphere Windcube

Principle

Wind Lidar is based on Doppler Effect.

- A laser beam is fired into the atmosphere
- Light backscattered from aerosols
- Doppler shift \rightarrow Radial windspeed
- Sample many heights at once (10 Levels in our case)

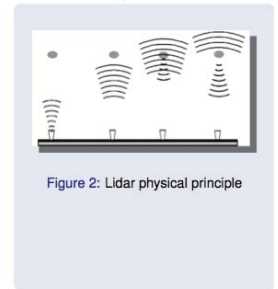


Figure 2: Lidar physical principle

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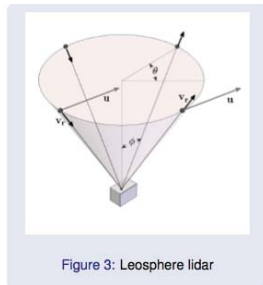


Figure 3: Leosphere lidar

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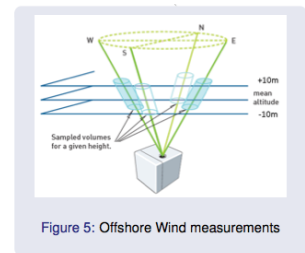


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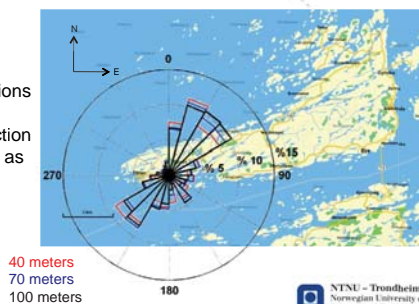
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RESULTS

Prevailing Wind Directions

- North east and south west directions are dominating
- South west direction can be estimated as ocean wind



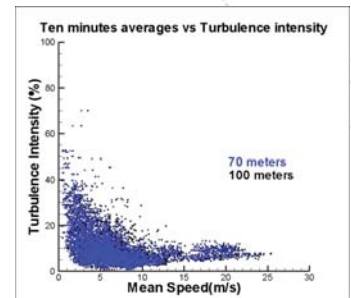
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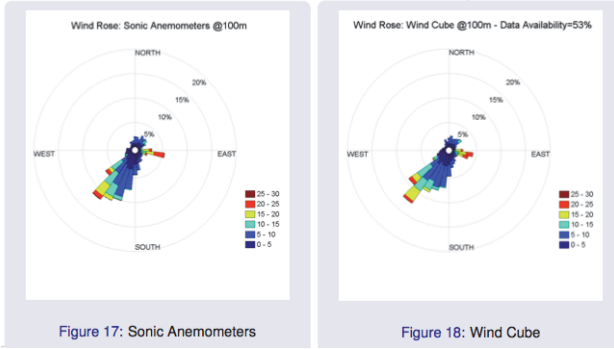
RESULTS

Ten Minutes Averaging & Turbulence Intensity Distributon

- Ten minutes average of the wind speed fits in a pattern
- Lower speeds has higher turbulence intensity



Wind Roses: 100m



Conclusions

- WindLidar is more reliable for **average** measurements than **single**
- WindLidar velocity magnitude measurements correlate **better** than the angle measurements
- **40m** and **100m** level correlate equally well
- **Large loss of data** when filters are applied

Hints on future work

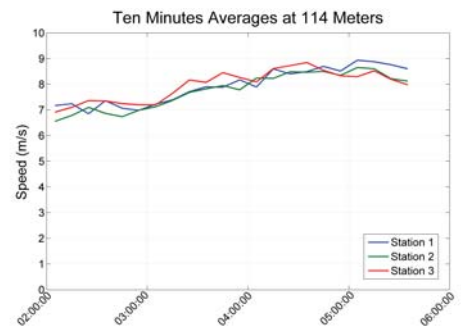
- Lidar measurement campaign in Slettringen Islet
- Analysis of higher order statistics parameters



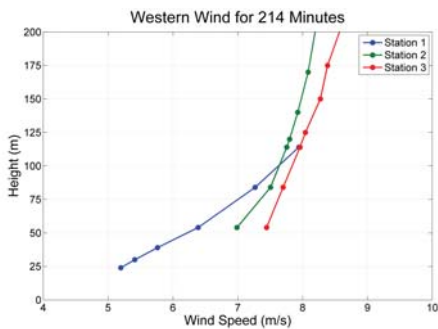
Measurements at 3 sites



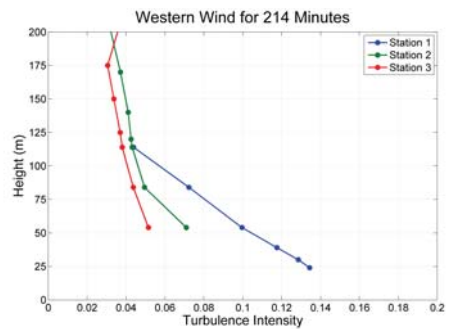
10 min averages over 3h30min



Mean speed – 3 sites



Turbulence intensity – 3 sites



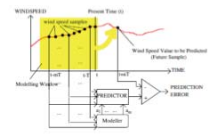
Exp on 3 sites for measuring “duration” and spatial “extent” of wind gusts



Short-term wind forecasting

• Interested in time horizon from a few seconds to 30min ahead

- Short-term forecasting for:
 - Electricity Market
 - Regulation Actions

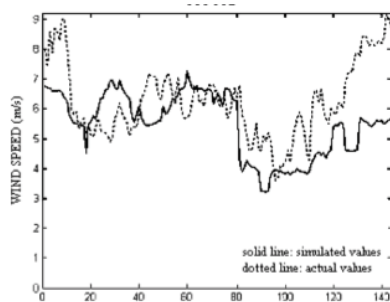


- Methods of forecasting statistical in nature and divided the following subclasses:
 - Artificial Neural Network
 - Time-series Models - must prove superior to a most simple approach:

$$P(t+T)=P(t)$$

i.e. the output of a turbine at time $t+T$, is the same as the output at time t .

Forecasting: experiments and modelling



Turbine wake studies

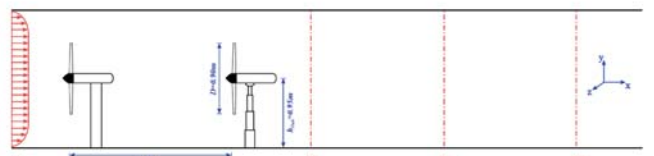


Fig. 1. Experimental setup and axial measurement stations downstream of the second model turbine at 1D, 3D and 5D

Power extracted from the wind

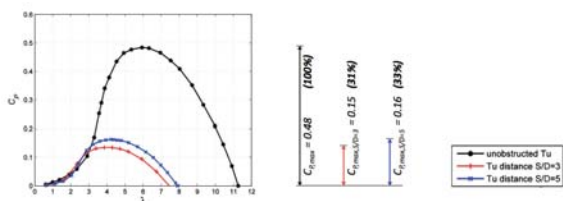


Fig. 2. Power curves of the second model wind turbine operated unobstructed, $S/D=3$ downstream and $S/D=5$ downstream of the first turbine

2nd turbine wake

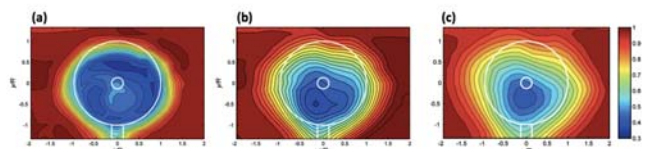


Fig. 3. Normalized mean velocity $U_w/U_w [-]$ in the wake behind the array of two model turbines separated $S/D=3$: (a) 1D downstream; (b) 3D downstream; (c) 5D downstream

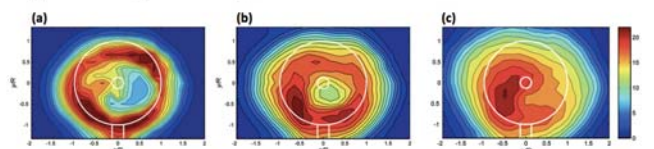
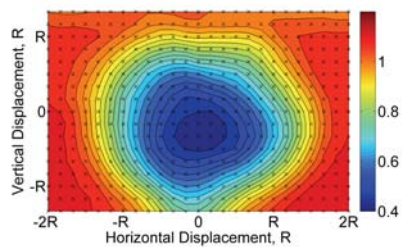
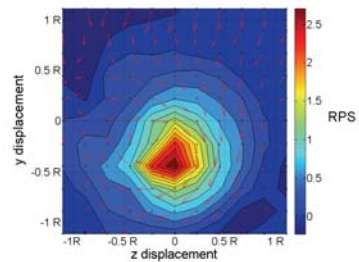


Fig. 4. Turbulence intensity u'/U_w [%] in the wake behind the array of two model turbines separated $S/D=3$: (a) 1D downstream; (b) 3D downstream; (c) 5D downstream

Wake - 3D downstream the **second** turbine (5D separation distance, TSR=6)



Swirl in turbine wake, 3D downstream, TSR=6 (RPS= "rounds pr second")



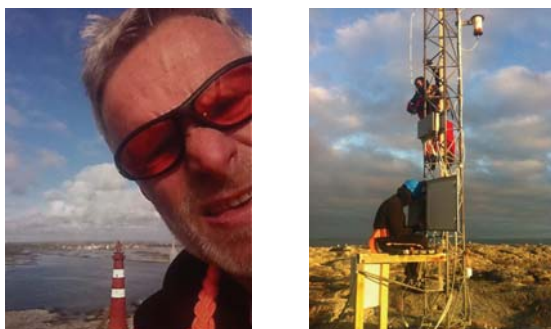
Take a look at Jan Bart's poster (this afternoon)

The poster is titled "WAKE MEASUREMENTS BEHIND AN ARRAY OF TWO MODEL WIND TURBINES" by J. Bart, V. Pierella, L. Selvan, and NTNU. It is divided into five sections:

- 1. MOTIVATION:** Discusses the importance of wake effects in wind farm design and the need for accurate models.
- 2. OBJECTIVES:** Lists goals such as quantifying the difference in mean velocity and turbulence intensity between the first and second turbine.
- 3. EXPERIMENTAL SETUP:** Describes the use of two model turbines in a wind tunnel and the measurement techniques used.
- 4. RESULTS:** Shows velocity profiles and turbulence intensity contours for both turbines.
- 5. CONCLUSIONS:** Summarizes the findings regarding the wake recovery and the impact of turbine spacing.



Field work



Some setbacks



Some pleasures



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Experiences and Results from Statoil's LIDAR Measurement Campaign at Utsira

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Main contributors: Peter Rothmund, Espen Åkervik, Erik Berge, Wei He (Statoil)

Offshore Measurements at Utsira

- The Utsira measurement campaign is part of Statoil's contribution to the EU-project NORSEWIND (Northern Seas Wind Index Database)
- Detailed CFD-model runs have been conducted to filter out the effects of the island. "True" offshore profiles for the Utsira site will be presented as part of NORSEWIND by summer 2012
- The Utsira LIDAR has been operated by Kjeller Vindteknikk and experiences with the LIDAR are presented here



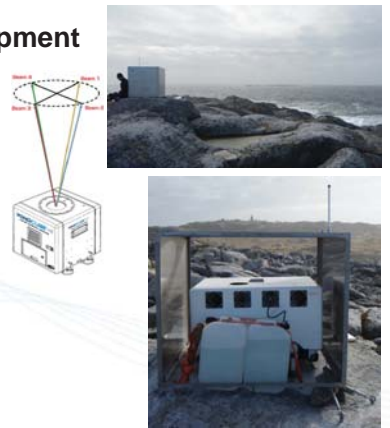
Utsira Measurement Site

- Offshore sector from South to North
- LIDAR located 27 m. AMSL



LIDAR Equipment

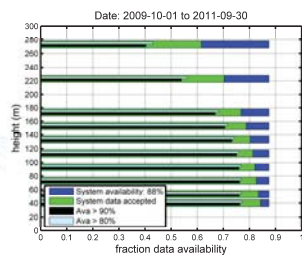
- Leosphere Windcube v1
- The 37th Windcube produced by Leosphere (1st of January 2009)
- Connected to power grid and communicating with 3G



Availability of Measurements

| Period | 40 m | 53 m | 73 m | 93 m | 113 m | 133 m | 153 m | 173 m | 223 m | 273 m |
|-------------------------------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 2009-Oct to 2010-Sep (1st yr) | 87 % | 87 % | 87 % | 86 % | 85 % | 83 % | 81 % | 77 % | 63 % | 47 % |
| 2010-Oct to 2011-Sep (2nd yr) | 66 % | 66 % | 66 % | 66 % | 65 % | 63 % | 61 % | 57 % | 45 % | 34 % |
| 2009-Oct to 2011-Sep (2 yrs) | 76 % | 76 % | 76 % | 76 % | 75 % | 73 % | 71 % | 67 % | 54 % | 40 % |

- Valid 10-min data (> 90 % valid 1-sec data)
- "Clear sky" leads to low data retrieval
- Unstable software in combination with poor network coverage leads to system down time



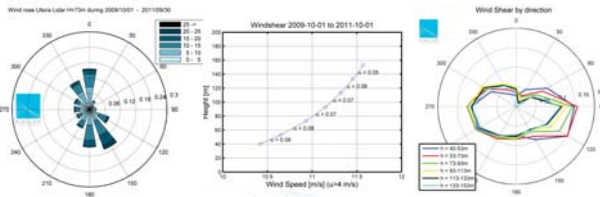
Operation and Maintenance

- New rotational stage and updated software in August 2011 (~2 years of operation)
- Frequent control of operation, unstable software needing reboot etc.
- Site visit about every 4 weeks, refill wiper fluid or manual reboot
- New wiper engine and blades



Measurement Results

| Measurement height | 40 m | 53 m | 73 m | 93 m | 113 m | 133 m | 153 m | 173 m | 223 m | 273 m |
|----------------------------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Wind speed (2 years) [m/s] | 9.3 | 9.5 | 9.8 | 10.0 | 10.2 | 10.4 | 10.5 | 10.8 | 11.4 | 12.0 |

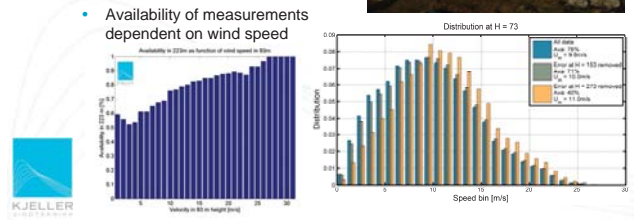


- Necessary to correct for inhomogeneous wind fields
- Correct for speed up caused by topography



Accuracy of Measurements

- No reference measurements
- Low wind shear and turbulence is advantageous
- Stricter validation process for Windcubes produced today
- Availability of measurements dependent on wind speed



Ongoing Campaigns with LIDAR at Kjeller Vindteknikk

- Utsira campaign is in its 3rd year. Works very well after maintenance during summer 2011.
- Two Leosphere Windcube v2 LIDARs deployed in eastern Norway



Experiences

- The availability of valid measurements over the two first years is 76% in 73 m and 71% in 153 m.
- Follow manufacturers maintenance program to ensure proper function and updated hardware and software
- Plan for frequent site visits with trained personnel
- The measurement availability may be dependent on parameters the lidar measures (e.g. wind speed)



Posters

Effect of Forced Excitation on Wind Turbine with Dynamic Analysis in Deep Offshore Wind, Prof Chuichi Arakawa, Univ. of Tokyo

Flow past fixed circular cylinder at Re 3900 using the Spalart-Allmaras turbulence model, Knut Nordanger, PhD stud, NTNU

GPS Synchronisation of Harmonic and Transient Measurements in Offshore Wind Farms, Iván Arana, DONG Energy

EMC Challenges during Harmonic and Transient Measurements in Offshore Wind Farms, Iván Arana, DONG Energy

Incidence of the switching frequency on efficiency and power density of power conversion topologies for offshore wind turbines, Rene A. Barrera, PhD stud, NTNU

Benefits of Asymmetric HVDC Links for the North Sea Super Grid, Til Kristian Vrana, PhD stud, NTNU

Stability improvements in Oil Platforms from Wind Turbines Atle Rygg Årdal, SINTEF Energi AS

Challenges and rationale for laboratory testing in offshore grids research, Kjell Ljøkelsøy, SINTEF Energi AS

An approach to model the statistics of wind speed and wind power increments on a 10min time scale, Prof Hans Georg Beyer, University of Agder

Upper Ocean Response to Large Wind Farm Effect in the Presence of Surface Gravity Waves, Mostafa B. Paskyabi, PhD stud, University of Bergen

A probabilistic approach to introduce risk measurement indicators to an offshore wind project evaluation – improvement to an existing tool ECUME, Fanny Douard, EDF

Selection of important RAMS parameters for 10MW reference wind turbine, Zafar Hameed, PhD stud, NTNU

Fatigue analysis of copper conductor for offshore wind turbines by experimental and FE method, Fachri Nasution, PhD stud, NTNU

Maintenance strategies for large offshore wind farms, Matti Scheu, NTNU

Mooring system optimization for floating wind turbines using frequency domain analysis, Matthias Brommundt, NTNU

PLOCAN, a multiuse offshore test site in the Atlantic Ocean, José Joaquín Hernández-Brito, Plocan

A novel tool for FEM analysis of offshore wind turbines with innovative visualization techniques,
Paul E. Thomassen, Post Doc, NTNU

Iterative optimization approach for the design of full-height lattice towers for offshore wind turbines,
Daniel Zwick, PhD stud, NTNU

Wake measurements behind an array of two model wind turbines, J. Bartl, NTNU

Active Power Control with Undead-Band Voltage & Frequency Droop for HVDC Converters in Large
Meshed DC Grids, Til Kristian Vrana, PhD stud, NTNU

Fully Nonlinear Wave Forcing on an Offshore Wind Turbine. Structural Response and Fatigue,
Signe Schløer, PhD stud, Technical Univ. of Denmark

Panel Vortex Code for wind turbines implemented on a GPU, Lene Eliassen, Univ. of Stavanger

Yaw moments of a three-bladed wind turbine yaw error, Tania Bracchi, PhD stud, NTNU

Gain scheduled and robust H^∞ control above rated wind speed for wind turbines, Fredrik Sandquist,
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Effect of Forced Excitation on Wind Turbine with Dynamic Analysis in Deep Offshore Wind

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Introduction

One of the unique problems of floating offshore wind turbines is negative damping of tower pitching motion. The reason is that the increase of wind speed causes the decrease of thrust force of the rotor.

The equation of motion for single degree of freedom of nacelle (Jonkman^{*1})

$$\left(\frac{I_{Mass} + A_{Radiation}}{L^2}\right) \ddot{x} + \left(\frac{B_{Radiation} + B_{Viscous}}{L^2} + \frac{\partial T}{\partial V}\right) \dot{x} + \left(\frac{C_{Hydrostatic} + C_{Lines}}{L^2}\right) x = T_0$$

L : Hub height

x : Nacelle fore - aft displacement

T_0 : Thrust force in equilibrium

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial V} \Rightarrow \text{Negative Damping}$$

As nacelle oscillates backward, relative inflow wind speed decreases. This decrease causes the change of thrust force. With blade pitch control, thrust force increases with this decrease of wind speed. Then, nacelle moves more backward.(Fig.1)

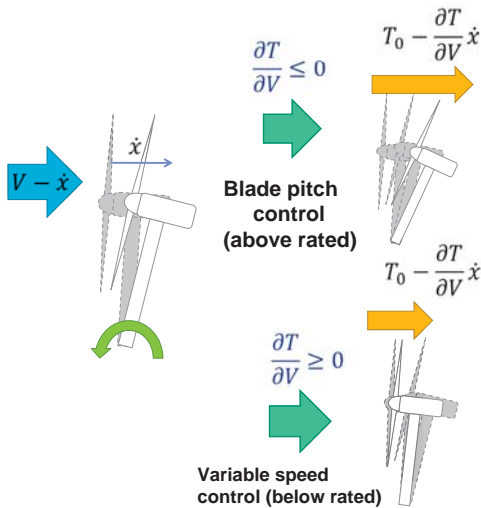


Figure 1 Change of Thrust Force with Tower Pitching Motion

Simulation Methods

We simulated change of thrust force by analysis of the turbine for wind tunnel testing^{*2}. To simulate the relative wind speed change, oscillating inflow speed and rigid turbine model are used(Fig.3). Two controls are tested: Blade pitch control and variable speed control. Pitch control observes generator speed.



| | |
|------------------|-------------------|
| Turbine Type | Horizontal Axis |
| Rotor Diameter | 1.5m |
| Number of Blades | 3 bladed |
| Tower Height | 0.8m |
| Hub Height | 0.95m |
| Generator | Coreless DC motor |

Figure 2 Modeled Wind Turbine^{*2}

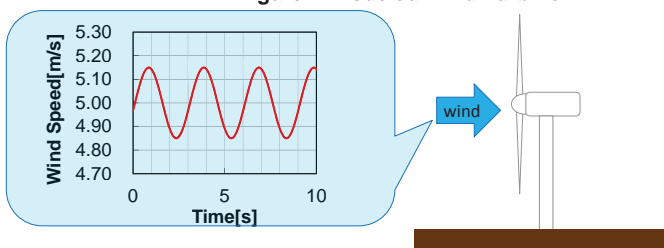


Figure 3 Simulation Condition

Variable speed control maintains optimal tip speed ratio. GH bladed is used for this simulation.

Results

Fig.4. shows time-series of thrust force and wind speed with variable speed control. The fluctuation of thrust force and wind speed shows the same sign. This means $\partial T / \partial V \geq 0$ and negative damping is not caused.

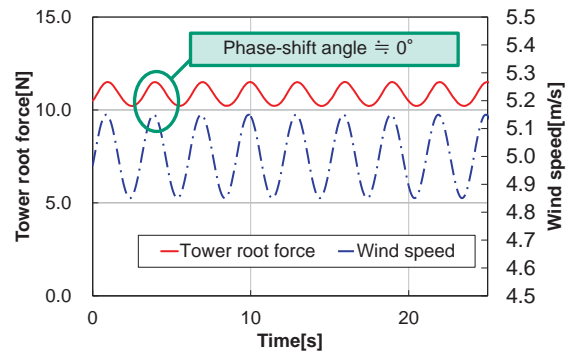


Figure 4 Wind Speed and Tower Root Force with Variable Speed Control

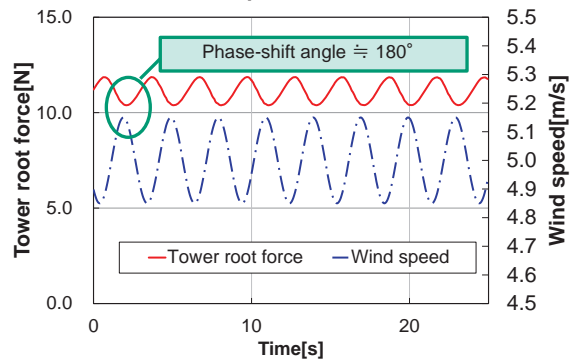


Figure 5 Wind Speed and Tower Root Force with Blade Pitch Control

Fig.5. shows time-series of thrust force and wind speed with variable speed control. The fluctuation of thrust force and wind speed shows the same sign. This means $\partial T / \partial V \leq 0$ and negative damping can be caused.

Conclusion

Traditional blade pitch control above rated wind speed can cause the negative damping of the wind turbine. In addition, this phenomenon can be observed by small scale turbine for wind tunnel testing.

Future work

We are planning to introduce the new control variables such as nacelle speed or thrust force. By observing nacelle speed, pitch control is not disturbed with relative wind speed change caused by nacelle motion. Furthermore, by observing thrust force, we think thrust force decreasing can be prevented with both pitch and variable speed control.

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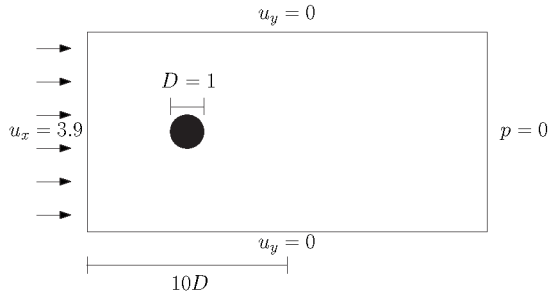
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Flow past fixed circular cylinder at Re 3900 using the Spalart-Allmaras turbulence model

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Problem description

Flow past a fixed 2D circular cylinder placed in a fluid with $Re = 3900$ is investigated.



The computed values for Strouhal number and average drag are compared with experimental results found in [1].

Numerical code

The incompressible Navier-Stokes equations are solved using the IFEM code developed at SINTEF ICT Applied Mathematics. This code is based on isogeometry, i.e. the same set of basis functions are used for both the geometry representation and the analysis. Non-uniform rational B-splines (NURBS) are used. The fluid solver uses a Chorin projection scheme. Equal order approximations for velocity and pressure are used, i.e. Q_1/Q_1 , Q_2/Q_2 and Q_3/Q_3 . Variable time steps are determined by the CFL-condition.

Solution strategy

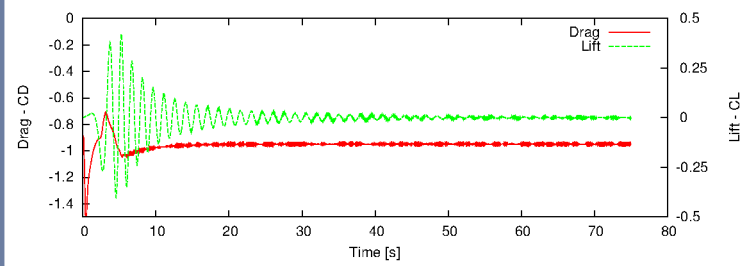
Turbulence model

The one-equation turbulence model Spalart-Allmaras [2] is applied for the simulations. It is developed for aerodynamic flows and commonly used for determining lift and drag coefficients of airfoils at high Reynolds numbers.

Boundary layer

In order to sufficiently resolve the boundary layer for the Spalart-Allmaras turbulence model we choose the distance from the cylinder to the first knot line (i.e. node in finite elements) as a dimensionless wall distance, $y^+ = 1$.

Drag and lift



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Numerical results

The numerical results are compared to experimental values of 0.99 for average drag and 0.21 for the Strouhal number in [1]. In conclusion, for basis functions of order 3 for both velocity and pressure the results for mean drag are acceptable. However, deviations for the Strouhal number are much larger. Accurate time resolution is not one of the strengths for the Spalart-Allmaras turbulence model, which is better suited for Reynolds numbers far higher than 3900.

| Approx. | Avg. Δt | n_{el} | Results | | Deviation | |
|---------|-----------------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|
| | | | Mean drag | Strouhal | Mean drag | Strouhal |
| Q1/Q1 | 0.00500 | 10200 | 0.7924 | 0.1884 | -19.96% | -10.30% |
| Q1/Q1 | 0.00425 | 14880 | 0.7745 | 0.1879 | -21.77% | -10.53% |
| Q2/Q2 | 0.00934 | 10200 | 0.8950 | 0.1820 | -9.60% | -13.35% |
| Q2/Q2 | 0.00832 | 14880 | 0.8749 | 0.1815 | -11.63% | -13.59% |
| Q3/Q3 | 0.01254 | 10200 | 0.9574 | 0.1736 | -3.29% | -17.34% |
| Q3/Q3 | 0.01206 | 14880 | 0.9501 | 0.1716 | -4.03% | -18.27% |

Abstract

The GPS synchronization challenges during the development, construction and installation of a measurement system for multi-point, high-speed and long-term data logging is described in this paper. The presented measurement system was tested in a rough offshore environment at Avedøre Holme (see Figure 1) and Gunfleet Sands Offshore wind farms. The paper will describe the application of GPS technology in synchronised measurements carried out at Avedøre Holme and Gunfleet Sands wind farms. Different aspects of software development and hardware configuration in order to optimise measurement system reliability during offshore measurements will be presented. Also real-life examples of results from both offshore measurement campaigns will be described. Some limitations and improvements of the measurement system will be explained based on measurements from both harmonic and transient measurements.



Figure 1 Avedøre Holme Offshore Wind Farm and measurement points.

Objectives

Accurate measurements of harmonic and transient phenomena in offshore wind farms are essential for data analysis and model creation/validation of components or subsystems. These models can be further used in simulation tools during the development of offshore wind farms. In order to observe the harmonic and transients in the collection grid without any misleading disturbances, a great deal of effort was taken to make the measurements as accurate as possible.

The measurement system developed here was designed taking into account the special application, requirements and environment of offshore wind farms (OWFs). Here, the access is limited due to weather conditions and significant operational costs; hence a robust and trustful measurement system is important. The synchronization of measurement systems in different locations is one important aspect taken into account in the development process of a flexible measurements system for harmonic and transient measurements in OWFs.

Methods

Synchronisation board

Specially designed EMC-proof boxes were equipped with cooling system in order to keep constant ambient temperature. If the ambient temperature differs from the calibration temperature by more than $\pm 5^\circ\text{C}$ the temperature compensated crystal oscillator (TCXO) will be affected by drift and introduce additional synchronization uncertainties.

Software development

In software development it is of special importance to implement synchronization support in the easiest way as possible. In case of transient measurements synchronization delays affected by the software layer can affect the whole measurement process. It was decided that the measurement software will start according to the time reference obtained from timing and synchronization board. A time reference is an external source of timestamp that provides periodic time updates. It is possible to provide time reference from GPS satellites, IEEE 1588 masters, or IRIG-B sources. As mentioned earlier each of the sources provides periodic time updates. In case of GPS satellites broadcast the current time once per second, on the second's boundary. The synchronization board has the oscillator (clock) accuracy of 1ppm which provides accurate time reference every second (PPS).

Synchronisation uncertainties

Used for offshore measurement purposes receivers provide a 1 pps on-time pulse. The GPS receiver is limited to using SPS the uncertainty is defined by the top row in Table 1. It shows that there is a 50 % probability that a given on-time pulse from GPS will be within ± 115 ns of UTC. The 1σ uncertainty of GPS (~ 68 % probability) is ± 170 ns, and the 2σ uncertainty (95 %) is ± 340 ns [3], [4].

| Service | Uncertainty (ns) 50 th percentile | Uncertainty (ns) 1σ | Uncertainty (ns) 2σ |
|---------|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| SPS | ± 115 | ± 170 | ± 340 |
| PPS | ± 68 | ± 100 | ± 200 |

Table 1 Timing uncertainty of GPS in One-Way Mode

To achieve uncertainties presented in Table 1 one has to calibrate receiver and antenna delays, and estimate synchronization errors. The antenna providing reliable performance in harsh radio frequency (RF) jamming environments was connected to the receiver and mounted outdoors where it had clear, unobstructed view of the sky. This condition can be easily satisfied in large OWFs situated far from natural barriers and effects such as multipath propagation [5] due to the signal reflection, and high dilution of precision (DOP) when detected satellites are close together in the sky, can be neglected. Positional accuracy was improved due to the fact that the WTs and the substation at GFS OWF are situated far from each other and naturally are far from multipath reflectors (see [6]).

Pulse-per-second signal accuracy measured during measurement campaign at Gunfleet Sands OWF is shown in Figure 2. The accuracy is even better than provided by the manufacturer (15 ns, 1σ).

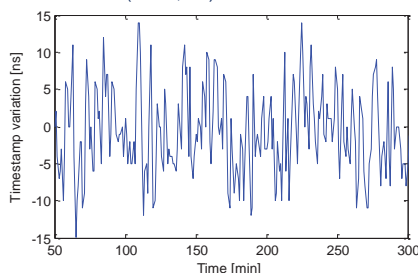


Figure 2 Variation of pulse-per-second signal synchronized with a GPS timestamp using phase-locked loop

Installation considerations

The measurement equipment in the wind turbines in Avedøre and Gunfleet Sands was installed in the basement of the wind turbine, where the service technicians do not require going often. In the transformer platform the measurement equipment was installed in the 33kV switchgear room, close to the voltage and current probes. It is important to mention, that the installation of the GPS antennas in Avedøre and Gunfleet Sands had to be done in open space outside the wind turbines and the transformer platform, in order to receive the best signal from the satellites. Nevertheless, the measurement equipment should be installed indoor, in a controlled environment. These two opposite requirements for the entire measurement system had to be fulfilled.

Results

Some of the transient measurements during the switching in of the VCB in the AVV wind turbine are shown in Figure 3. In this figure the voltage and current on the MV side of the transformer are shown, as well as the LV side voltage. It is possible to see in this figure the high frequency voltage oscillation caused by the pre-strike in the VCB that is transfer to the LV side as well as the inrush current of the transformer. The VCB model validation, as well as the wind turbine transformer and external grid validation has been reported in [7].

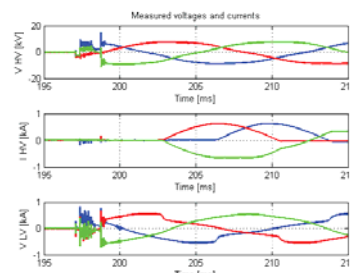


Figure 3 Measured three-phase voltages and currents, during the closing operation of the MV VCB in the wind turbine.

Discussion

During the removal of the measurement equipment in GFS, after 8 months of measurements, it was noticed that one of the GPS antennas was damaged. The antenna presented high level of corrosion in the metallic lower part of the antenna. Only the antenna in one of the wind turbines presented this corrosion. Due to this deterioration, the coaxial cable connected to the antenna, was also damaged, and had to be repaired afterwards. The metallic part of the antenna was simply cleaned. The damage in the antenna clearly shows the harsh environment to which the offshore wind turbines are subjected. In practice, this is solved by carefully isolating the equipment inside the turbine tower from the offshore environment.

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Gunfleet Sands Offshore Wind Farm
Aalborg University

Abstract

The electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) and interference (EMI) aspects during the development, construction, testing and installation of a measurement system for multi-point, high-speed and long-term data logging is described in this paper. The presented measurement system was tested in a rough offshore environment at Avedøre Holme and Gunfleet Sands (see Figure 1) offshore wind farms. The paper clearly presents possible electromagnetic interference in wind turbines that can affect measurements. Also the application of appropriate mitigation techniques such as data acquisition board configuration, coaxial cable leading, as well as usage of EMC-proof boxes for high frequency measurements is described. Some measurement results focused on dealing with EMI are also presented and explained.

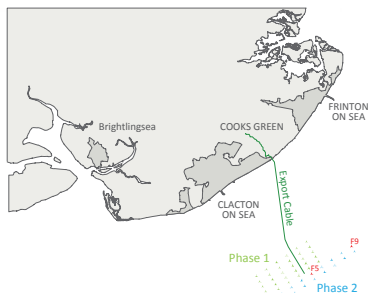


Figure 1 Gunfleet Sands Offshore Wind Farm and measurement points.

Objectives

The most likely scenario for incompatibility occurs when a relatively high power circuit (i.e. power converter) is located near a very sensitive receptor (e.g. sensors, cables, measuring head unit). Switch-mode high power density converters commonly used in nowadays wind turbines are potential generators of EMI due to the switching action of the converter. The switching action generates a spectrum of the switching frequency and its harmonics which can interfere the measurement process. The main purpose of presented studies is to develop and optimize measurements system for wind turbine measurements. Dealing with the EMI becomes crucial in case of harmonic measurements (low amplitude) and transient measurements (wide frequency spectrum).



Figure 2 EMC box installed in the transformer platform at Gunfleet Sands Offshore Wind Farm.

Methods

If during measurements the transfer of electromagnetic energy from source (emitter) equipment, which in a wind turbines is the main power circuit, through a coupling path to a receptor (receiver), which is the measurement equipment, an EMI occurs.

Before any measurements are carried out it is recommended to perform test of EMI in the environment. Also in case of offshore measurements such test measurements were done. The first step is to perform open circuit measurements (see Figure 4) in the field and compare with laboratory expectations. According to central limit theorem one should expect normally distributed noise in open circuit measurements.

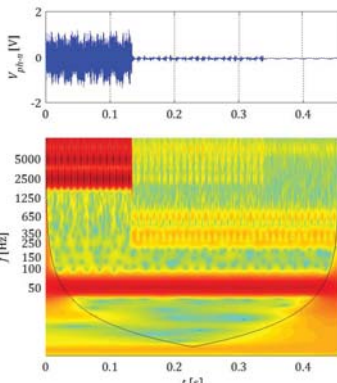


Figure 3 Continuous wavelet transform showing electromagnetic interference in the wind turbine.

All measurement set-ups face some level of error due to systematic (bias) and random (noise) error sources. By appropriate design of the system, sensor selection, sensor installation, sensor calibration, data acquisition (DAQ) calibration and an accurate synchronization board; the systematic and random error can be significantly reduced. Moreover, in order to reduce electromagnetic interference (EMI) from the power system to the measurement system, a custom made EMC box (see Figure 2) was designed as well as sophisticated shielding solutions.

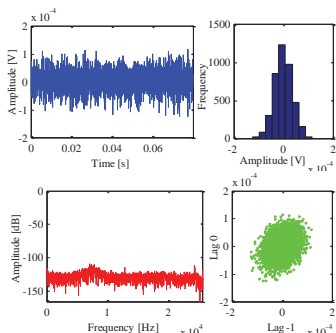


Figure 4 5 Open circuit measurement carried out in the lab and normally distributed histogram (top), open circuit measurements estimated spectrum and lag plot (bottom).

Results

It was observed that the crosstalk for adjacent channels is lower than -80dB in used for harmonic measurement dynamic signal acquisition board. Taking into consideration cross-talk from adjacent channels additional harmonic components can be seen at the top of Gaussian noise.

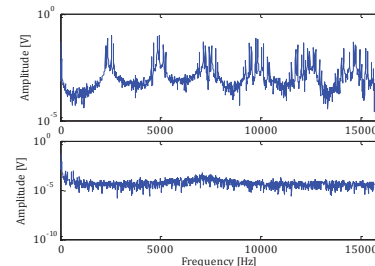


Figure 5 Estimated spectrum of open circuit channel during wind turbine production (top) and during not switching operation (bottom).

Time-frequency representation of measured continuous-time signals achieved using continuous wavelet transform is (Figure 3). The figure shows how different frequency components affects measured open circuit channel from the data acquisition board working inside the wind turbine. It can be seen that within the first period (0-0.14 s) the wind turbine is producing and frequency components around 2.5 kHz and 5 kHz generated by the modulator of the grid-side converter can be easily observed. Later the wind turbine is stopped and only harmonics affected by the external network can be measured.

This shows that the analysis of frequency components above 2 kHz can provide inaccurate results. This also indicates that sample rate above 4 kS/s/ch is not necessary for long-term harmonic measurements. Please note that in practise the noise level in the estimated spectrum is also strongly dependent on the window length of analysed signal.

Conclusions

EMI during measurements in offshore wind farms is an important issue and requires special considerations. It was shown that grid-side converters in wind turbines can be significant sources of possible interference during measurements. In case of harmonic measurements, where frequency components of amplitude around 2% of the nominal fundamental value are analysed, appropriate attenuation of interference distortions is crucial.

It was shown that dealing with different type of interference can by means of appropriate data acquisition system adjustment, shielding (see Figure 2), sensors adjustment and filtering. Of course sometimes it is difficult if even impossible to perfectly attenuate unwanted electromagnetic coupling. In that case appropriate interference assessment is needed which can be later taken into consideration during data processing and analysis.

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Gunfleet Sands Offshore Wind Farm

Incidence of the Switching Frequency on Efficiency and Power Density of Power Conversion Topologies for Offshore Wind Turbines

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Offshore Wind Turbine Challenges

Optimal design targeting two objectives

- Maximize power density (ρ) of conversion system:** Minimize weight/Size for a given power. Increase the Frequency.
- Maximize efficiency (η):** Reduce power losses. Less conversion stages.

Identify frequency for best operation of overall system

Semiconductors Devices

Semiconductors Losses= Conduction + Switching

$$P_{Cond} = K_{CE1} I_{C(avg)} + K_{CE2} I_{C(rms)}^2$$

$$P_{Switch} = \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} (E_{sw-on} + E_{sw-off} + E_{sw-rr}) dt$$

$$E_{sw} = \frac{E_{test}}{V_{test} \cdot I_{test}} V_{CE} I_C$$

Turn on, Turn off
Reverse Recovery

Constants can be found in the datasheet of the device.
Heat sink volume approx. With 200% of switch volume (Water cooling)

$$Vol_{conv} = 3 \cdot Vol_{device} \cdot n_{switch}$$

DC-Link Capacitor

$$C = \frac{I_{rms}}{4\sqrt{2} \cdot \Delta V_{dc\%} \cdot V_{dc} \cdot f}$$

Capacitor volume with proportional model from the capacitor reference ICAR LNK- 8PX-600-110

$$Vol_{capac.} = \frac{C \cdot V_{dc}^2}{C_{ref} \cdot V_{ref}^2} \cdot Vol_{ref}$$

Magnetics components

Transformer and Inductive Filters

$$P_{Core} = K_{Core} Vol_{Core} \cdot f^\alpha \cdot B^\beta$$

Constants can be found in the datasheet of the core magnetic material.

$$P_{cu} = \sum_{i=1}^{nw} K_{cu(i)} \cdot \frac{\rho_{cu} N_{(i)} MLT_{(i)}}{A_{w(i)}} \cdot I_{(i)}^2$$

Kcu: factor due skin and proximity effect, and depends of frequency.

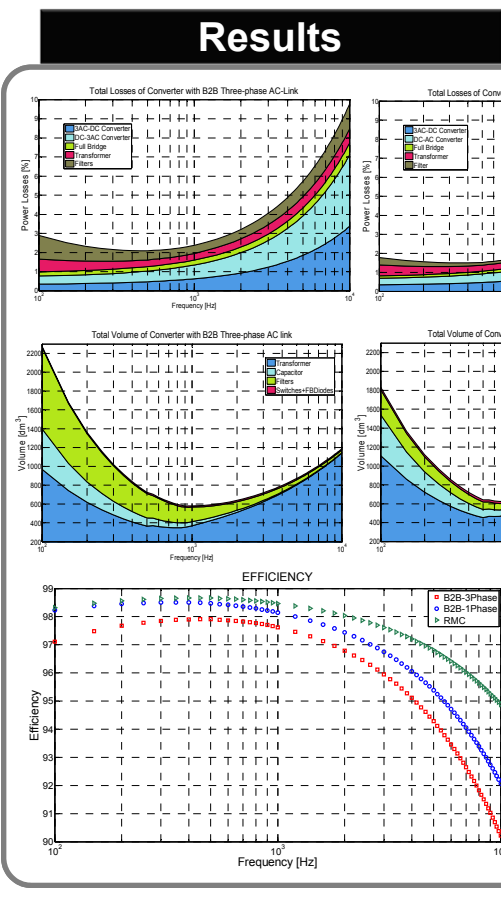
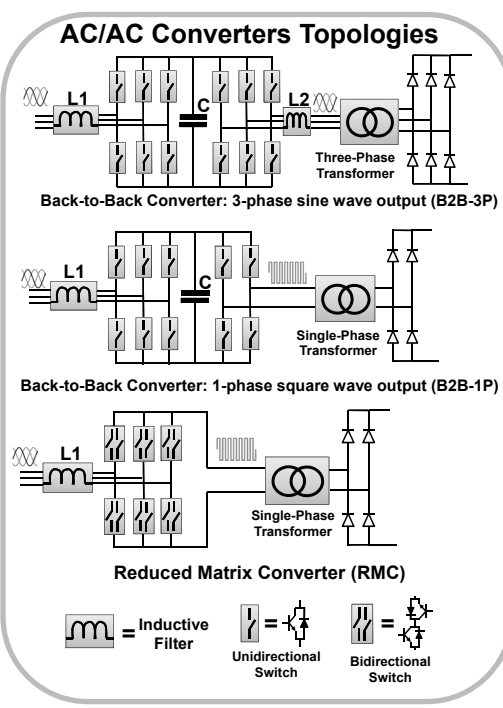
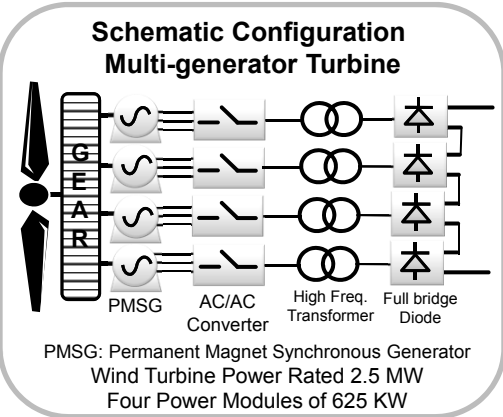
Thermal Constraint

$$P_{Core} + P_{cu} \leq h_T \cdot A_t \cdot \Delta T_{max}$$

Inductive Filter

$$L_{(j)} = \frac{V_{dc}}{12\sqrt{2} \cdot \Delta I_{(j)} \cdot I_{(j)} \cdot f}$$

Transformer Volume is result of iterative process with parameterized core dimensions.



Conclusions

As Frequency increases semiconductor losses becomes more dominant in the total losses. Topologies with fewer stages and number of switches will have higher efficiency.

There is a frequency at which there is a minimum volume. At low frequencies, the volume of the capacitor and the inductive filter is comparable to the volume of the transformer, but at high frequencies the required values of capacitance and inductance allow a reduction of the sizes of these elements, then the transformer is the one who dominates the volume for high frequencies.

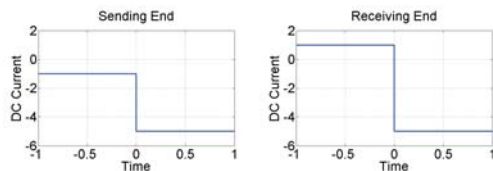
Topologies with three-phase AC-Link will have higher power density at high frequencies, while topologies that avoid the use of capacitance at lower frequencies will be preferred.

Asymmetric HVDC Links Unidirectional HVDC Systems

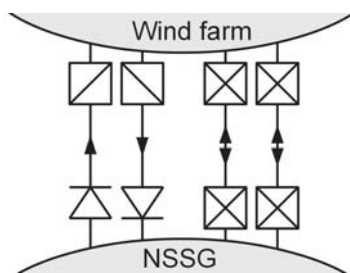
HVDC Technology Overview

| HVDC Type | Voltage | | Current | |
|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|
| | Amplitude | Sign | Amplitude | Sign |
| Bi.-VSC | Fixed | Fixed | Variable | Variable |
| Uni.-VSC | Fixed | Fixed | Variable | Fixed |
| Bi.-CSC | Fixed | Variable | Variable | Fixed |
| Uni.-CSC | Fixed | Fixed | Variable | Fixed |
| Uni.-Hyb. | Fixed | Fixed | Variable | Fixed |

DC Fault Currents



Section of the NSSG with Protection

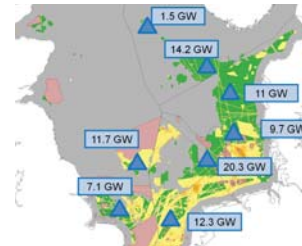


The WindSpeed Project Grand Design Scenario V05

Offshore Cluster Ratings

| Offshore Cluster | Generation [MW] |
|------------------|-----------------|
| Ijmuiden | 12300 |
| Hornsea | 7100 |
| Doggerbank | 11700 |
| Gaia | 20300 |
| DanTysk | 9700 |
| Dansk | 11000 |
| Norsk-S | 14200 |
| Norsk-SW | 1500 |

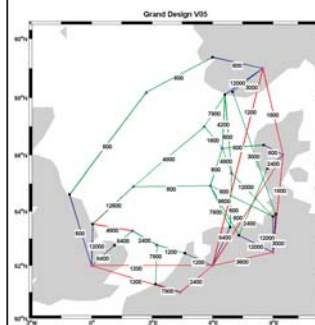
Offshore Cluster Scenario Map



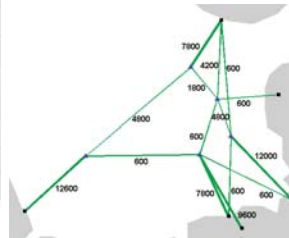
Meshed Offshore Grid Link Information

| Node | Strongest Link to | Length [km] |
|------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Doggerbank | England | 197 |
| Gaia | Ger. + Neth. | 164 |
| DanTysk | Germany | 193 |
| Norsk-S | Norway | 154 |

Optimised Grid Structure



Meshed Offshore Grid



Results Cost Calculation

Identification of Inherently Asymmetric Links

$$P_{1,Uni} = P_1 - P_{Load} - \sum_{i=2}^n P_i$$

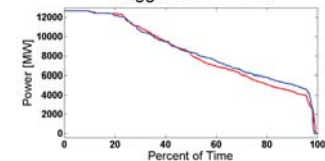
Meshed Offshore Grid Link Ratings

| Node | P1 | P2-∞ | Load | P1-Bi | P1-Uni |
|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| Doggerbank | 12600 | 5400 | 200 | 5600 | 7000 |
| Gaia | 17400 | 1800 | 300 | 2100 | 15300 |
| DanTysk | 12000 | 6000 | 100 | 6100 | 5900 |
| Norsk-S | 7800 | 6600 | 400 | 7000 | 800 |
| Total | 49800 | ----- | ----- | 20800 | 29000 |

Costs and Benefits

| Technical Solution | Investment Cost [M€] |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| All Bidirectional | 45409 |
| Bi- and Unidirectional | 42715 |

Additional Unidirectional Transmission Capacity
Doggerbank --> UK



Conclusion

Many HVDC systems of the NSSG will be operated unidirectional (scenario = 42%)

These systems should also be designed unidirectional

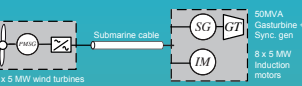
Protection for unidirectional HVDC systems is less complicated

Relevant cost savings are achievable with asymmetric HVDC link design (scenario = 6%)

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Voltage and frequency control in offshore wind turbines connected to isolated oil platform power systems

Stability Improvements in Oil Platforms from Wind Turbines

Challenge

Offshore wind turbines have potential to supply offshore oil and gas platforms in the North Sea with electric energy. For remote located facilities it is attractive to pursue a solution where the wind turbines and oil platform operate in an isolated system. To study the operational properties of a system with these characteristics is necessary to identify possible advantages and disadvantages. Oil platform power systems are microgrids with large load units. The stability is therefore weaker than in the onshore power grid.

This study demonstrates how added voltage and frequency control in wind turbines equipped with full power electronic converters can improve the voltage and frequency stability in offshore oil and gas installations.

System overview

Fictitious case: 20 MW wind farm connected to an oil platform with 40 MW peak load. Isolated system operation.

PSCAD model with the following features:

- Wind turbine model - aggregated equivalent of four 5 MW turbines.
 - Aerodynamic model + pitch control, Permanent Magnet Synchronous Generator (PMSG), Voltage Source Converter (VSC).
- 4 km transmission cable
- The oil platform model reflects an existing installation, able to cover its own load in stand-alone operation.
 - Generating unit:** gas turbine + generator (50 MVA)
 - Load:** 8 fixed speed 5 MW induction motors

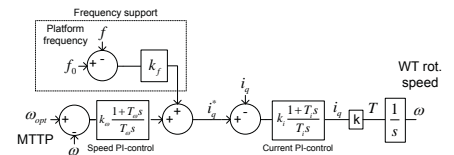
Conclusions

- Wind turbines with Voltage Source Converters can significantly improve the power system stability in oil platforms.
- Frequency control:** The WTG rotational energy is used to provide a temporary frequency support that reduce the frequency overshoot from 97 to 25 %
- Voltage control:** Grid side VSC controls reactive power independently of generator. Dampened voltage dip during motor start (16 % to 6%).
- Further work:** develop a joint control structure with WTG voltage and frequency control for the best possible utilisation of the VSC

Control systems

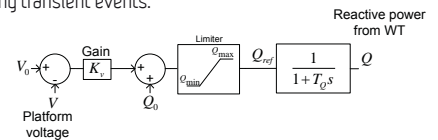
Added WTG frequency control

WTG rotating mass as energy storage. Added control blocks in the VSC, temporary frequency control can be achieved. Similar to ordinary droop control, but the speed control loop will counteract and eventually remove the frequency control term.



Added WTG voltage control

The VSC can supply fast control of reactive power - potential voltage stabilization. A voltage-droop controller supports operation of the AVR - especially during transient events.



Simulation results

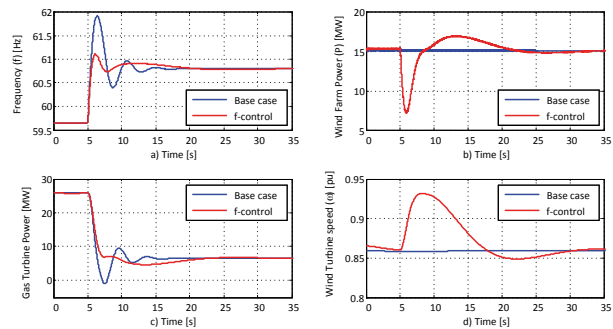
Simulation case #1: Loss of 10 MW load

Base case: Gas turbine adjust production alone - wind turbines delivering maximum power

f-control: Wind turbines sense a frequency imbalance after loss of load - temporary drop in power to damp the frequency oscillations.

Observations:

- Oscillations heavily reduced with f-control implemented (97 % to 25 % overshoot)
- New steady-state frequency obtained after 20 s. according to GT droop setting
- Wind turbine power output recover after 20 s.
- Wind turbine rotor overspeed to 0.93 pu, recover after 35 s.

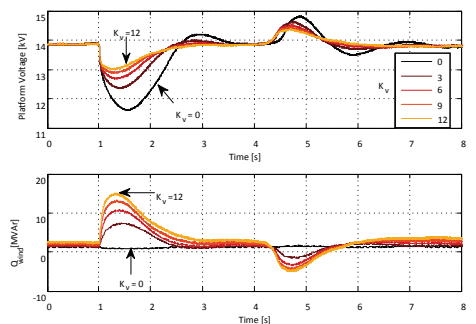


Simulation case #2: Start-up of 5 MW induction motor

High reactive power consumption during start-up - voltage dip
Voltage-droop gain K_v varied from 0 (base case) to 12

Observations:

- Voltage dip is severe (16 %) without voltage-droop ($K_v = 0$)
- Increasing value of K_v dampen the oscillations significantly, 6 % dip for $K_v = 12$
- Converter current limitations can constrain the maximum delivered reactive power, and hence the value of K_v .



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Challenges and rationale for laboratory research of offshore grids

Windpower grid laboratory facilities at SINTEF Energy/NTNU

Why lab experiments?

- Complement to simulations. Model verification.
- Gives insight into complex systems where little operating experience exist, where it is not well known which model simplifications are valid
- Simulations - Assumptions and choice of simplifications are critical. Tends to answer expected questions
- Laboratory experiments may reveal unexpected issues
- Use of real converter control system gives the complexity of the full scale version

Laboratory design considerations

- Simplification: Choose what to represent well and what to omit.
- Modularity: Fixed installation gives ease of use while building blocks give flexibility.
- Scale: Choice of power level:
 - Low power (< kW): Low cost, space. Small damage potential. Easily modified. Losses give short time constants, and large damping of oscillations. This gives large deviations from real world.
 - High power (> MW): Close to full scale. Real equipment can be tested. Gives safety issues. Not easily modified.

Prime movers: Replaced by electric motors. Turbine/engine and governor model gives torque reference signal to vectorcontrol motordrive inverters.

Converters:

- Commercial; Low cost, easily available.
- Custom made: Full insight into control system, no black boxes.

Power lines, cables:

- Saturation of inductors must be avoided, ruins experiments.
- Choice of complexity according to experiment needs:
 - Simple three phase inductors for load flow experiments
 - Common mode inductors for ground current handling
 - RLC networks or PI equivalent for wideband models

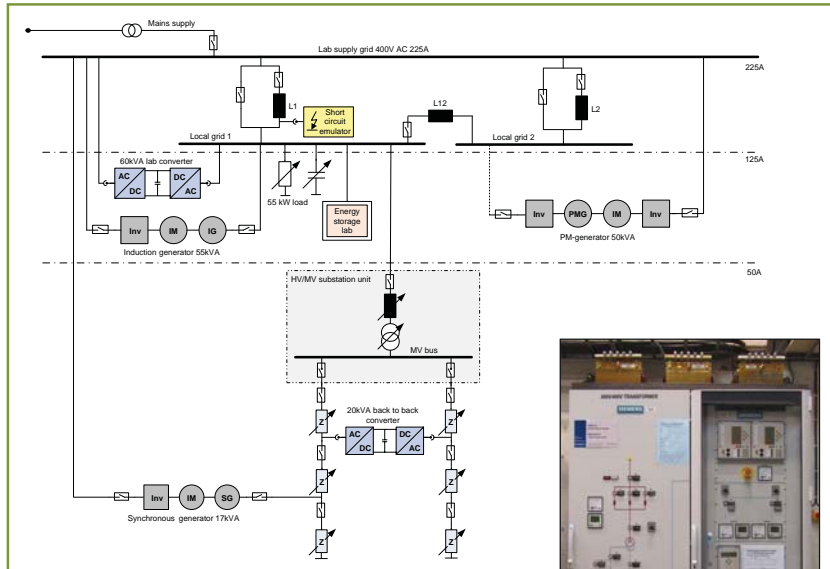


The laboratory network at SINTEF/NTNU

- Power grid model, network with multiple busbars and lines.
- 50 kW unit rating, 400V supply voltage.

Suitable for experiments within a wide range of fields:

- Windpower integration
- Weak grid and island mode grid operation
- Fault and transient handling
- Smartgrid systems
- Distributed energy production system
- Converter dominated grids
- Converter control algorithms
- Multiterminal HVDC networks
- Testing of electrical machine prototypes



LabView based distributed data acquisition and control system.

- Emulates centralized network control system. (SCADA)
- Hall element based current sensors give DC current measuring capability.



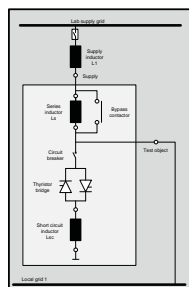
55 kW wind turbine emulator. Fixed speed induction generator.



50 kW low speed (30rpm) Permanent Magnet Synchronous generator



Transformer substation, model with busbar and protection relays typical for 66kV/22kV substation.



Short circuit emulator.



17 kW hydropower generator model. Control equipment typically found in 1-10 MW power plants.



Distribution line model, RLC line section equivalents.



60 kVA AC/DC converter units with inhouse developed FPGA based control system.

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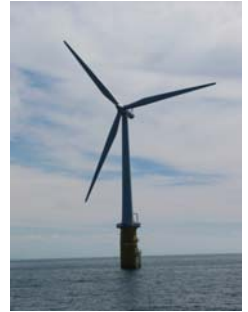
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An approach to model the statistics of wind speed increments on a 10min time scale



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For the grid management knowledge on wind power gradients in the time scale of several minutes up to hours is of importance. Whereas for on-shore sites the respective wind and power output statistics – mainly on an hourly time scale - have been extensively studied, knowledge on to what extend the respective characteristics can be transferred to off-shore conditions is lacking. As a contribution to bridge this gap, an analysis is performed on the basis of data from the Norwegian off-shore HyWind project located close to the Norwegian western shore. Measured wind speed data are used to extract information on the distribution function of gradients of these sets. Aim is to set up a model to predict the probability of occurrence of gradients in wind speed and power.

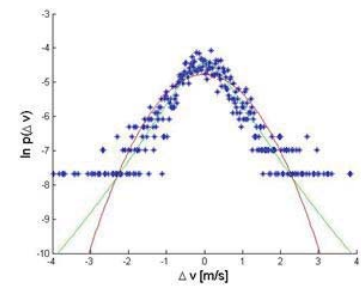


Data from an off shore location at the south-western Norwegian shore are analyzed. Data stem from the HyWind project located 10 km south of Karmøy peninsula, wind data used are 500s averages.

Under inspection are the wind speed increments Δv for over time step Δt (initial wind speed):

$$\Delta v = v(t + \Delta t) - v(t)$$

➔ Distribution of increments does not follow a Gaussian distribution ➔



Probability density (PDF) of wind speed increments following time step with wind speed $9.5 \text{ m/s} < v(t) < 10.5$.
+ Gaussian distribution with same standard dev.
+ Castaing distribution (see below)

Model for probability density of wind speed increments as used for short time turbulences data: Castaing distribution

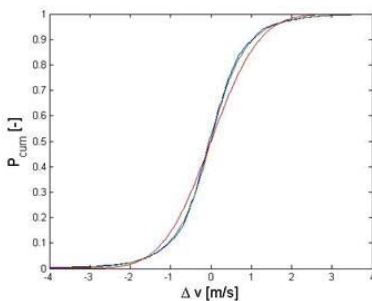
$$P(\Delta v) = \frac{1}{2\pi\lambda} \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{\lambda} \ln \frac{\beta}{\beta_s}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{2}\beta(\Delta v)^2\right] d\beta$$

Parameters determined by standard dev. σ and kurtosis k

$$\lambda = \sqrt{\ln \frac{k}{3}} \quad \beta_s = \frac{1}{\sigma_s^2} \sqrt{\frac{k}{3}}$$

Application of model for cumulative distribution (CDF) of increments following time step with $9.5 \text{ m/s} < v(t) < 10.5 \text{ m/s}$

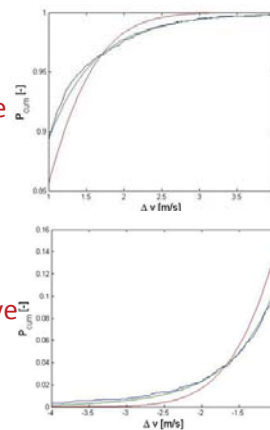
* data
--- Gaussian
--- model



magnified sections of CDF

high positive increments

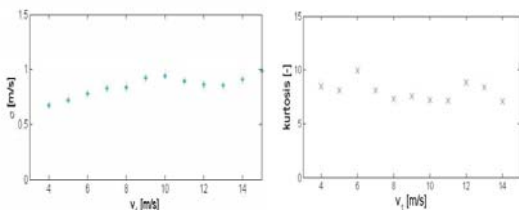
high negative increments



Model
- initialised with empirical values of standard dev. and kurtosis

gives good presentation of PDF of increments starting from moderate initial wind speeds

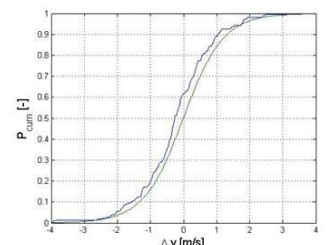
standard dev. and kurtosis of increments for various initial wind speeds



➔ to be parametrized

Limits of the PDF-model: fails to present the asymmetric PDF in case of initial wind speed at the limits of the data set. Example: initial wind speed 20m/s. **Model extension required.**

* data, --- model



Upper Ocean Response to Large Wind Farm Effect in the Presence of Surface Gravity Waves



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Abstract

In this study, effect of large wind turbine on the upper ocean upwelling in the presence of wave is studied numerically. The parameters involved in the sea-states are extracted based on the two-dimensional wave spectrum. A modified shallow water wave is obtained that shows the influence of Stokes drift and wave parameterizations besides wind turbine farm characteristic length on upper ocean response.

Large Wind turbine and Wind Stress

By vertical integrating momentum and continuity equations in the presence of wave effect, the following differential equations are obtained

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial (u\bar{h})}{\partial t} - f(v + vs) + F_x^{db} &= -\frac{\partial (u^2 h + 0.5gh^2)}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial (uvh)}{\partial y} + \frac{1}{\rho_w} (\tau_x - \tau_x^v - \tau_b^x) \\ \frac{\partial (v\bar{h})}{\partial t} + f(u + us) + F_y^{db} &= -\frac{\partial (uvh)}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial (v^2 h + 0.5gh^2)}{\partial y} + \frac{1}{\rho_w} (\tau_y - \tau_y^v - \tau_b^y) \\ \frac{\partial \bar{h}}{\partial t} + \left(\frac{\partial (u\bar{h})}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial (v\bar{h})}{\partial y} \right) &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where u and v are the mass transports in the x and y directions. By assuming a thin layer of fluid with density ρ_0 and thickness h overlying a deep, motionless abyssal layer, assuming constant wind and wave characteristics, and by ignoring bottom friction and wave-induced momentum redistribution term F_{db}^x , the following expression is obtained:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where } \bar{g} \text{ is reduced gravity, } \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left[\int_{cor}^{2} -g'h_0 \nabla^2 \right] h &= f_{cor} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{U}_s - \frac{f_{cor} \nabla \cdot \bar{\tau}}{\rho_w} \\ f_{cor} \text{ is the Coriolis parameter, } \bar{\tau}_{in} \text{ and } \bar{\tau} &\text{ are the wave-induced and wind stresses,} \\ \text{is the Stokes drift } \mathbf{U}_s. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

In this study for constant wind and wave the following analytical expression is proposed $\Lambda = \Lambda_{sin} - \Delta \Lambda$, $\mathbf{P}(X, Y)$ in which X and Y show the horizontal axes, Λ is wind-wave forcing vector, $\Delta \Lambda$ is wind-wave forcing fluctuation, and \mathbf{P} gives the distribution of forcing behind wind farm.

Numerical Methods

To model shallow water wave (Eq. 1 and 2), we use a wave-modified finite volume, classical finite element technique, and finite difference approximation on horizontal Arakawa C-grid. To confirm obtained results performance, the Regional Ocean Modelling System (ROMS) is applied. Here, we just present a short description of Finite Volume technique.

Finite Volume Technique

The conservation form of Eq. (1) can be written as

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{F}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}(\theta)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{G}(\theta)}{\partial y} = \mathbf{S}(\theta) \quad (3)$$

where source term is given as
$$\mathbf{S}(\theta) = \frac{1}{\rho_w} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \tau_x - \tau_{in}^x - \tau_b^x \\ \tau_y - \tau_{in}^y - \tau_b^y \\ -f_{cor} (u + u_s) - F_{db}^x \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ f_{cor} (v + v_s) - F_{db}^y \\ -f_{cor} (u + u_s) - F_{db}^x \end{bmatrix}$$

We use Lax-Friedrichs technique as a member of finite volume (FV) to discretize homogeneous version of Eq. (3) as

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_{i,j}^{n+1/2} &= \theta_{i,j}^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left(\mathbf{F}_{i+1/2}^{n+1/2} - \mathbf{F}_{i-1/2}^{n+1/2} \right) - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta y} \left(\mathbf{G}_{i,j+1/2}^{n+1/2} - \mathbf{G}_{i,j-1/2}^{n+1/2} \right) \\ \mathbf{F}_{i,j}^{n+1/2} &= \frac{\mathbf{F}(\theta_{i,j}^n) + \mathbf{F}(\theta_{i,j+1}^n)}{2} \left[\frac{\theta_{i,j}^n + \theta_{i,j+1}^n}{2} \right] \left(\theta_{i,j}^n - \theta_{i,j+1}^n \right) \end{aligned}$$

λ is non-linear advection speed. The external force is imposed to technique by following ordinary differential equation

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} = \mathbf{S}(\theta)$$

Large Wind turbine and Wind Stress and Wave parameters

Wind and wave forcing are determined in this study based on introducing a shape function shown in Fig. 1.

wind stress is calculated by

$$\bar{\tau} = \rho_a C_D \mathbf{U}_{10} |\mathbf{U}_{10}|$$

in which ρ_a is the air-side density,

C_D is drag coefficient, and \mathbf{U}_{10}

is the wind speed vector at height

10 meter. Computation of wave

Stress is more complex than of

wind stress. If $E(f, \theta)$ is the wave

energy spectrum, the wave-induced

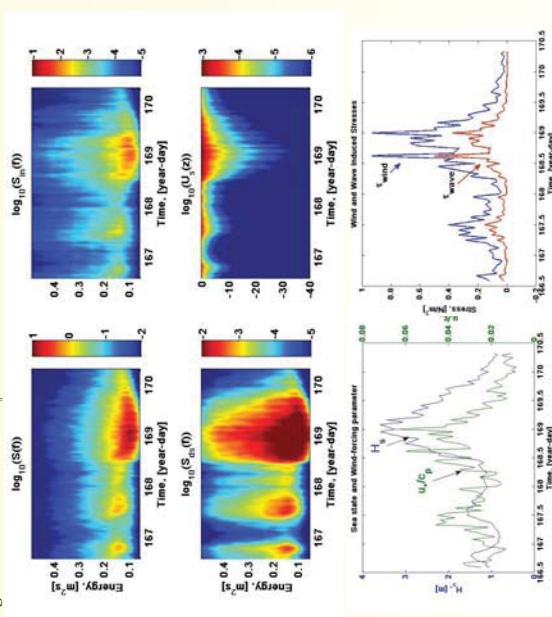
stress will be defined as

$$\bar{\tau}_{in} = 2\pi \rho_w \iint_{f,\theta} f \hat{\mathbf{K}} S_{in}(f, \theta) d\theta df \quad (4)$$

where f is frequency, θ is the wave direction, $\hat{\mathbf{K}} = \hat{\mathbf{K}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{k}}$ is the horizontal wavenumber vector with modulus k and direction $\hat{\mathbf{K}}$, and $S_{in}(f, \theta)$ is the wind-energy input source term that in this study we use exponential growth rate to construct this term [2]. Further, using wave energy spectrum, Stokes drift is given as

$$\mathbf{U}_s = 4\pi \iint_{f,\theta} f \mathbf{K} E(f, \theta) e^{-2k|z|} dz d\theta df \quad (5)$$

Here, z is depth. The contribution to the Stokes drift is maximal in the peak region of the wave spectrum and in the near-surface the short waves give a significant contribution to \mathbf{U}_s .

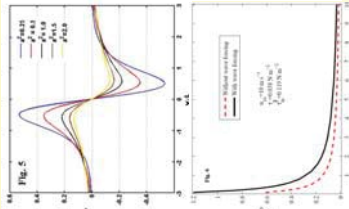


Above two figures show wave parameterizations for the real data acquired by a buoy in the Sletringen region, Norway.

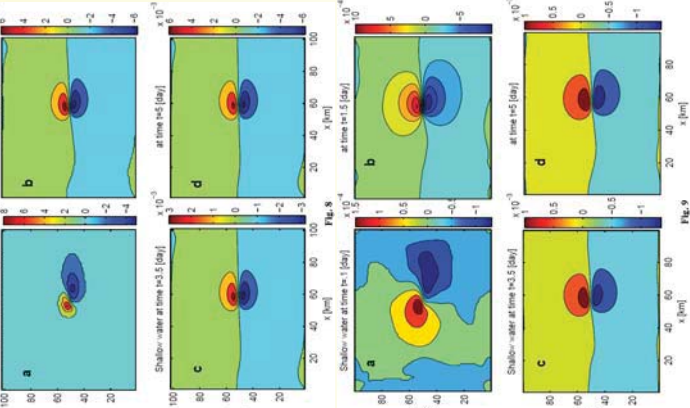
Numerical Results

As first numerical example, the finite element simulation of linearized version of Eq. (2) is presented. The next figure shows the simulation results with and without wave forcing for $\Gamma=1$ and $\alpha^2=1$ is the ratio of the Rossby deformation to wind farm characteristic length L : $\alpha = \sqrt{g'h_0} / (f_{cor} L)$

> In fact, this parameter states how large the internal deformation radius is compared to the size of wind turbine farm (Fig. 5). The maximum value of pycnocline and the strength of upwelling as a function of a is shown in figure 6. It can be seen that the amplitude of response decreases rapidly with a that highlights the role of physical size of wind wake in upper ocean response [1].



> Figure 4 shows the rising of pycnocline in the southern side of wind farm and corresponding falling due to geostrophic adjustment on the northern side. Further, including wave effect modifies ocean response by larger amplitude of pycnocline height.



> Figures 7, 8 and 9 shows the linear FV runs, non-linear finite difference runs in the presence of bottom friction and advection term, and ROMS results. For more details read [2]

Conclusion

> Results showed that the max amplitude of pycnocline height with the wave effect is greater than that in no-wave case and this height approach to zero when a goes to infinity in both cases. Including non-linear term, horizontal diffusion, and the bottom friction led to decreasing of the strength of eddies. But, the amplitude of disturbances in the lee regions of the farm becomes weaker after almost three days.

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Selection of important RAMS parameters for 10MW reference wind turbine

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Basis of 10 MW wind turbine

- A comparison of 5, 10 and 20 MW wind turbines
- A simple scaling up is not applicable
- A new machine with new challenges

| | | Reference wind turbine 5 MW | Extrapolated turbine 10 MW | Extrapolated virtual turbine 20 MW |
|------------------------------------|-------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Rating | MW | 5.00 | 10.00 | 20.00 |
| Wind regime | | IEC class 1B ² | IEC class 1B | IEC class 1B |
| No of blades | | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Rotor orientation | | Upwind | Upwind | Upwind |
| Control | | Variable speed, control pitch | Variable speed, control pitch | Variable speed, control pitch |
| Rotor diameter | M | 126 | 178 | 252 |
| Hub height | M | 90 | 116 | 153 |
| Max. rotor speed | Rpm | 12 | 9 | 6 |
| Rotor mass | Tones | 122 | 305 | 770 |
| Tower top mass | Tones | 320 | 760 | 880 |
| Tower mass | Tones | 347 | 983 | 2,780 |
| Theoretical electricity production | GWh | 369 | 774 | 1,626 |

Source : Upwind 2011

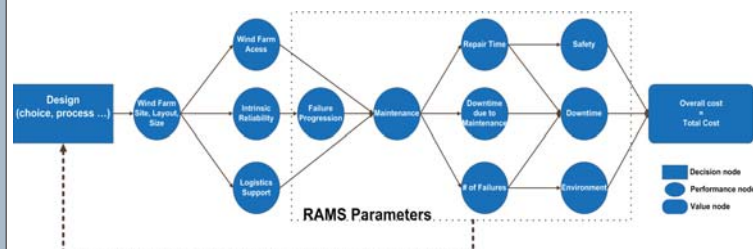
Need

- To extract maximum wind potential
- To produce cheap power
- To protect the environment
- To revolutionize the wind turbine industry

Objective

- To identify important parameters to conduct the RAMS (Reliability, availability, maintainability and safety) analysis in an efficient and cost effective way

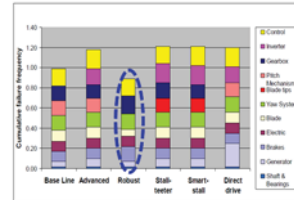
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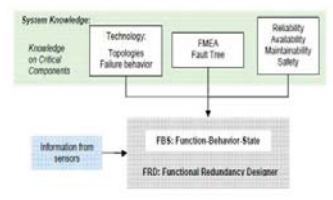
- A generic framework to develop relationship between design and RAMS
- A process to identify important RAMS parameters
- A way to understand how design of big machines influence operational issues
- A feedback mechanism to improve the design based on real data from operations
- A decision support tool to identify bottleneck stations from design to operations

Important challenges and issues

- To make the big machines viable and efficient to attract investors
- To verify the feasibility of latest concepts
 - Direct drive
 - Self maintenance machines

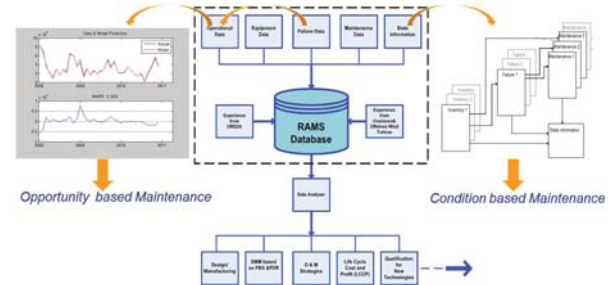


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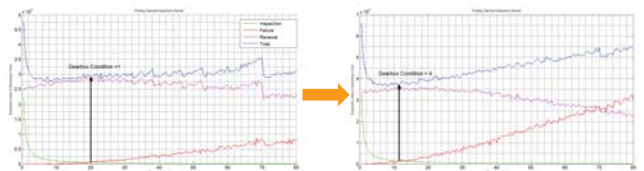


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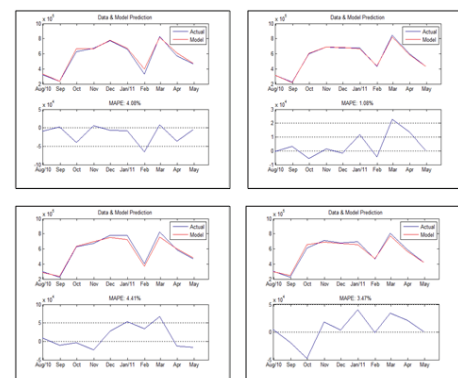
- To identify RAMS parameters through a database with possible implications



- To search for the design of a new condition monitoring system
- To optimize the operational strategies by identifying suitable intervals



- To predict the expected power output in wind farm layout



- To connect smoothly with the power grid
- To improve the design from operation experience
- To learn from the experience of the relevant industries

Conclusions

- Consideration of RAMS aspects may prove beneficial to the designers
- Identification of important RAMS parameters are crucial to have optimal operational strategies
- Reductions in operational costs may make the big machines viable and competitive with the existing state of the art ones
- Cooperation between the designers and RAMS personnel will be helpful in making big machines more reliable and efficient

Fatigue Analysis of Copper Conductor for Offshore Wind Turbines by Experimental and FE Methods

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Abstract

The objective of this work was to investigate the fatigue performance of a 95 mm² copper conductor. The compacting procedure applied during the manufacturing process causes geometrical irregularities in the wires. Specimens from different layers have been tested in tension-tension mode with a stress-ratio, R = 0.1. The irregularities have been measured and through numerical studies applied to assess the resulting bending stresses in tension loading. When this is accounted for, the fatigue behavior of the core and the outer layer seems to be similar. This indicates that the difference in observed fatigue data between different layers of wires can be explained by surface irregularities. However, this needs to be supported by more data.

Objectives

The objective of this work was to investigate the fatigue performance of a 95 mm² copper conductor by experimental test and finite element analysis

Methods

A. Experimental Method

The specimens used in this work were taken from a 95 mm² copper conductor (ETP copper), designated by the UNS C11000 series. The definition of ETP copper is related to copper alloy purity of at least 99.95% and characterized by a very high electrical conductivity and ductility. The conductor cross section consisted of 19 wires, each with a diameter of 2.5 mm. A centre wire is followed by six and twelve helically wound wires in two layers (see Fig. 1). The specimens were cut, straightened and terminated at the ends using tubular aluminium tubes filled by standard high strength glue (see Fig. 2). Due to the opposite lay angles of the helical layers, the surface irregularities were found to be periodic with a wavelength of approximation 20 mm with a mean thickness reduction amplitude of 0.44 mm with a coefficient of variation (COV) of 0.063, illustrated in Fig. 3. The fatigue specimens were tested in constant amplitude axial tension corresponding to nominal stress ranges ($\Delta\sigma$) of 130, 160, 190 and 220 MPa. The nominal stress range is based on a constant area of 5 mm². The loading test frequency, f , was 2 Hz harmonic loading (sinusoidal) with R-ratio, R = 0.1. The cyclic axial load was applied using a standard fatigue testing machine. The specimens were clamped in both ends. see Fig. 4.

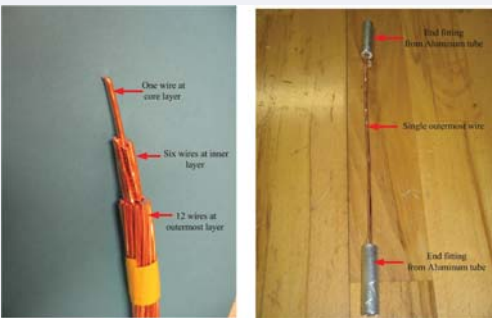


Figure 1. Full cross-section of stranded copper conductor

Figure 2. An individual outer wire with Aluminium tubes at both ends

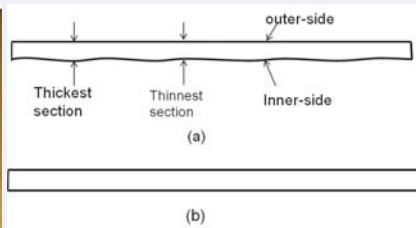


Figure 3. a) Geometrical surface of outer wire including irregularities. b) Geometrical surface of smooth centre wire



Figure 4. Detailed at both ends of specimen are clamped against rotation

B. FE Method

A finite element model was made in order to investigate the effects from measured thickness irregularities and material plasticity with respect to the expected stress range at the material surface. This was performed by applying a 100 mm long elasto-plastic beam model, using the measured strain-stress curve, a kinematic hardening model and element eccentricities according to the average measured thickness irregularity (see Fig. 5). The computer code Uflex3d was applied, using 48 integration points in the cross-section.

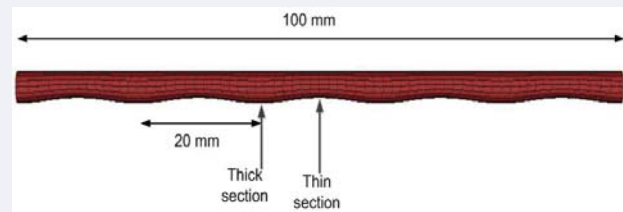


Figure 5. FE model of outer wire including irregularities

Results

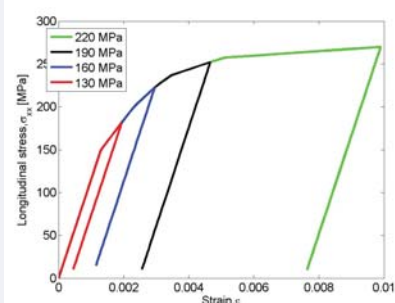


Figure 6. Strain-stress result of outer wire for each nominal stress ranges

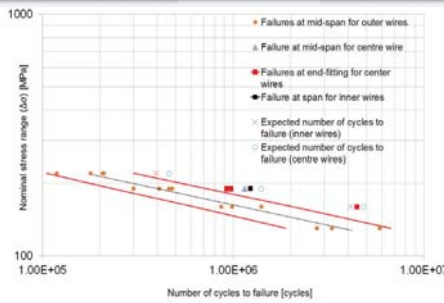


Figure 7. S-N data based on nominal stress ranges, with S-N curve based on the outer wire data.

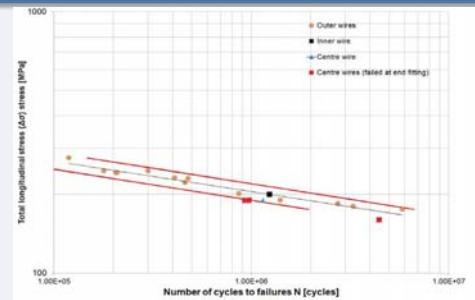


Figure 8. S-N data based on maximum longitudinal stress ranges (including bending stresses), with S-N curve based on the outer wire data

Conclusions

Fatigue testing of single wire specimens taken from a 95 mm² copper conductor has been carried out. This has been combined with systematic measurements of observed surface irregularities resulting from the manufacturing process and FE analysis to predict their effect on the surface stresses. The results indicates that the differences seen in fatigue performance between layers can be explained by inherent variations in surface irregularities. However, more data are needed in order to conclude on this, both with respect to the copper conductor investigated here and other conductor geometries.

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Maintenance strategies for large offshore wind farms



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Motivation & Objectives

- Around 30 % of the Cost of Energy from offshore wind generation due to operation and maintenance
- Aim was to develop a method and an implementation as a tool in MATLAB for simulating the operational phase of an offshore wind farm
- Evaluation of cost saving potential due to variation of maintenance strategy and fleet

Modeling Wind and Wave Conditions

- Significant wave height time series simulated with a discrete-time Markov chain
- Wind speed time series simulated by random sampling from the conditional probability distribution with respect to wave height

Reference Park

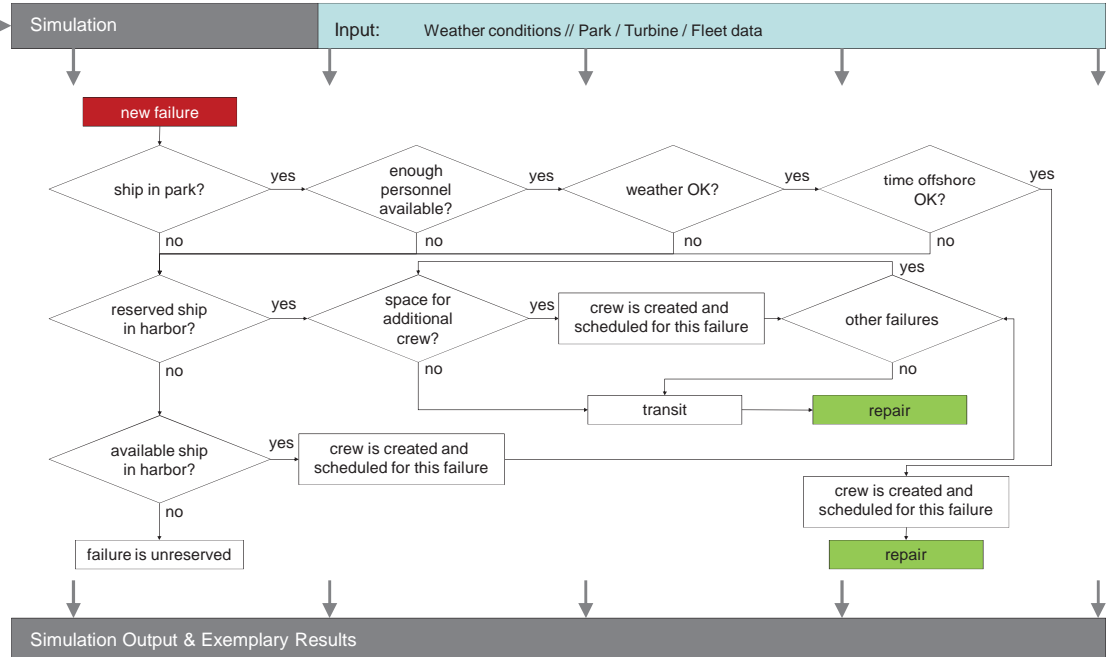
- 500 Turbines à 5 MW
- Location: UK East coast
- Onshore reliability data
- Two types of maintenance vessels: ordinary and cranes

Input

- Historical wind speed and wave height time series
- ERA Interim dataset: 1989 – 2010 in 6 h intervals

Output

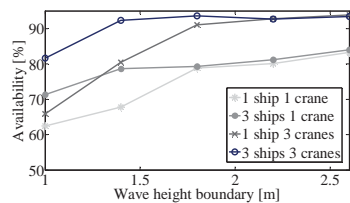
- Wind speed and significant wave height time series in 6 h intervals



Simulation Output & Exemplary Results

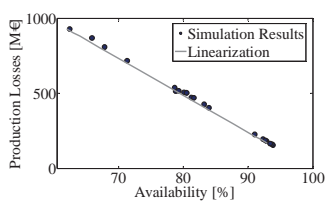
Availability versus Fleet variation

- Highest availabilities with largest fleet.
- Curves are converging: From a certain allowable wave height for the maintenance vessels onwards (around 1.8 m) a smaller fleet is sufficient.



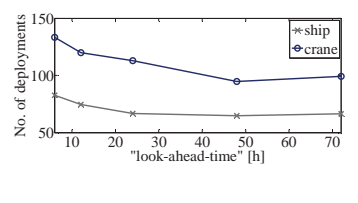
Production losses versus Availability

- Almost linear relationship between production losses (P) and availability (A):
- $PL(A) = (0.62 - A) \cdot 2460 \text{ M€} + 929 \text{ M€}$
- Influence of wind averaged out



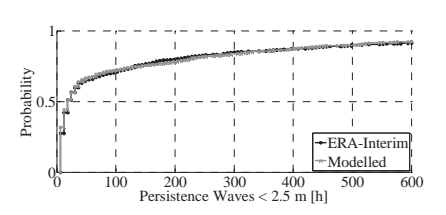
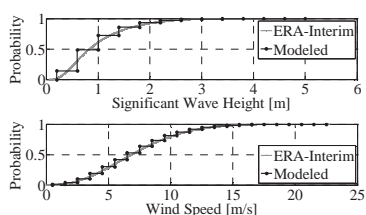
Number of ship and crane deployments versus accuracy of weather forecast

- Weather forecast of 24 hr sufficient for ordinary maintenance vessels
- Weather forecast of 48 hr sufficient for crane vessels (longer operations)



Validation

- Mean Values
- Standard Errors
- Linear Correlations
- Persistence CDFs (weather window distribution)
- Good agreement between simulated and historical data



Conclusions

- An accurate weather model based on a finite state Markov chain for significant wave heights and conditional probability distributions for wind speed was developed
- Significant changes in availability could be discerned (monetarily quantified by production losses), dependent on the composition of maintenance fleet and vessel characteristics (allowable wave height)



MOORING SYSTEM OPTIMIZATION FOR FLOATING WIND TURBINES USING FREQUENCY DOMAIN ANALYSIS

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BACKGROUND

For stationkeeping of floating wind turbines proper mooring systems are required to keep the translational and rotational movements of the platform within an adequate range. Due to economic reasons it is necessary to minimize mooring system costs, while not exceeding mooring line breaking strength and platform drift constraints. As an example application, a symmetric semi-submersible design with three columns is analyzed.

The work presented here emphasizes cost minimization of catenary mooring systems for wind turbines of the semi-submersible type. A frequency domain analysis is performed, where environmental loads due to wind, waves and current are considered separately. The tool determines the optimum mooring line orientations and lengths, constrained by ultimate load conditions, limits on platform movement and seabed conditions.



Fig. 1 Semi-submersible design

MOORING SYSTEM OPTIMIZATION

Design constraints:

1. The mooring system has to be dimensioned to withstand ultimate load conditions.
2. The loading at the drag embedded anchors should be solely horizontal.
3. The translational and rotational excursions of the floater have to be within specified limits.

Primary design parameters:

1. Horizontal distance from fairlead to anchor
2. Length of mooring lines
3. Size of the chain
4. Angle of mooring lines (with respect to a global coordinate system)

Spectral analysis:

The spectral analysis includes the most important first order effects, i.e., environmental loads from wind, current, wind sea and ocean swell. The equilibrium position of the floater due to mean wind and current loads is solved as a multidimensional root-finding problem, using a simplex direct search method.

Nonlinearity in the force-displacement characteristic in the catenary equation requires linearization of the mooring stiffness matrix at the equilibrium position. The spectral loads from aerodynamic and hydrodynamic contributions are superimposed and the system response is computed over the significant frequency range.

For each degree of freedom the spectra of displacements can be computed and subsequently the auto-spectra of mooring line tension at the fairlead can be derived.

Damping:

Hydrodynamic damping is composed of a potential and a viscous part. Aerodynamic damping, sea-floor friction, mooring line damping and wave-drift damping are neglected.

INITIAL LINE CONFIGURATION

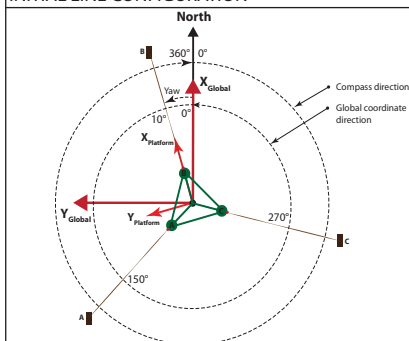


Fig. 2 Initial mooring line configuration

Coordinate system definition:

The X-axis in the global coordinate system is directed towards north compass direction, the X-Y plane coincides with the free water surface and the Z-axis points upwards. The motion of the floater is described relative to the global fixed coordinate system, with a positive rotation counterclockwise.

A propagation direction of zero degree denotes that the environmental loading arrives from compass North direction.

Initial mooring line configuration:

The angles are 10, 130 and 250 degrees with respect to the global coordinate system. An initial total line length of 1000 m was chosen.

ENVIRONMENTAL LOADS AND SITE CONDITIONS

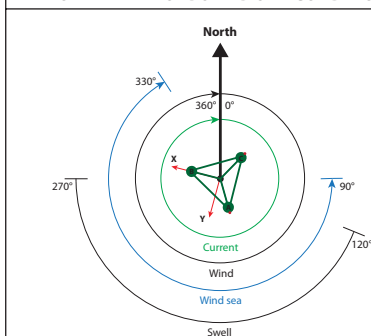


Fig. 3 Directional spreading of environmental loads

Two different load conditions were analyzed for the Greater Ekofisk area in the North Sea (75 m water depth), an extreme event and an operational case. The extreme load case describes a turbine shut down in a survival 50-year storm condition with a 100-year severe wave loading and 10-year current. In the operating state the maximum thrust on the rotor is applied when the mean wind speed is close to the rated wind speed.

Directional spreading:

The most severe loading from each direction has to be considered in the optimization of asymmetrical mooring systems. Site data indicates that environmental loads are biased from certain directions and are unlikely to come from other directions.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

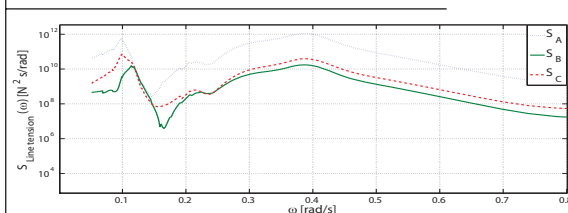


Fig. 4 Mooring line tension spectra for extreme loading (heading direction of 120°)

The spectral wind loads have a contribution of up to 29.7% of all spectral loads. The wind spectrum contains a lot of energy at low frequencies, which can contribute to low-frequency resonant oscillations of moored floating structures.

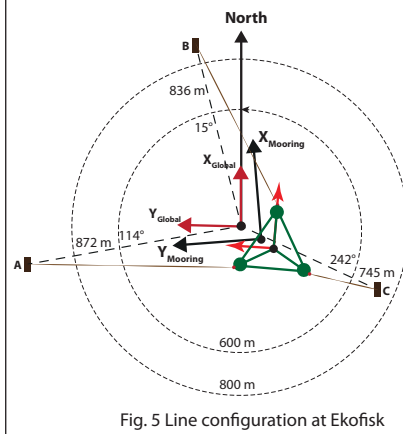


Fig. 5 Line configuration at Ekofisk

CONCLUSION

- The total line length is 85% of the initial symmetrical design
--> the tool minimizes the line length of a floating wind turbine mooring system under site specific environmental loading, resulting in the optimal angle, line length and horizontal distance between anchor, and fairlead.

- Spectral wind loads should be considered in the mooring system design. The low-frequency contributions from wind lead to excitations in platform pitch and hence in higher mooring line peak tensions.

- Time domain simulations are needed to verify and further optimize the obtained mooring design.

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PLOCAN, a multiuse offshore test site in the Atlantic Ocean

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Operation and maintenance

The Oceanic Platform of the Canary Islands (PLOCAN) is a multi-purpose service centre composed of a set of large infrastructures to support research, technology and innovation in the marine and maritime sector in the North-East Central-Atlantic Ocean. The mission of the centre is to promote long-term observation and sustainability of the ocean. It will facilitate multidisciplinary approach, clustering and cost-effective combination of services such as observatories, test site, base for underwater vehicles, training and innovation hub.

PLOCAN will contain a set of experimental facilities and laboratories on the ground, an offshore platform located on the edge/shore of the continental shelf and deep observation sites, some of them connected by cable. It will have sensors, vehicles, vessels, etc. This will be an ocean platform of unique features to start a permanent occupation, in order to operate in oceanic deep waters.

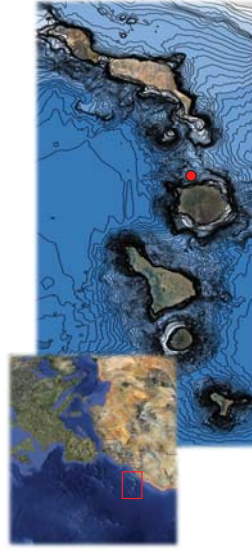


Figure 1. Location

Observatory

The concept of “ocean observatory” is used here as a set of infrastructures that allows the characterization and study of its surrounding space, from the seabed to the atmosphere, in scales of nanometres to hundreds of kilometres and from microseconds to decades. PLOCAN will initially provide support for observation at three different locations and environments: the ESTOC site (European Station for Time-Series in the Ocean Canary Islands), the deep-sea cabled observatory, and the surrounding waters cabled and standalone observatories near the PLOCAN offshore infrastructure.

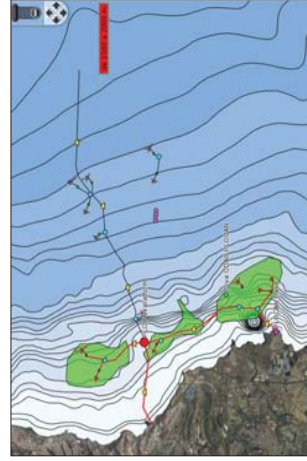


Figure 2. Observatory deployment

Test site

The main mission is to accelerate and lower the cost of all types of tests, ocean technology development, prototyping and marine experiments. To improve sustainability and cost efficiency, the ocean energy test site services integrate observation facilities. Testing is designed and implemented in order to avoid any disturbance in a controlled environment and take advantage of the observatory facilities. The support to the initial 8 km² test area will be enhanced by the offshore platform. The area will mainly be used for testing wind and wave energy converters. A submarine electrical infrastructure to evacuate up to 10 MW is under design.

Last year the first technical demonstrator of a wave energy converter of 70 kW was tested (Project WELCOME) while another two new prototypes are scheduled for 2012.

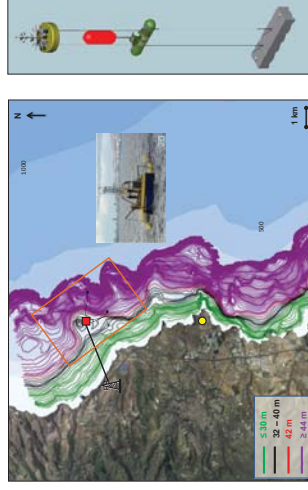


Figure 3. Test site deployment and WELCOME prototype.

VIMAS

PLOCAN offers a base for the support and development of new technology for underwater vehicles. The concept of base for vehicles, instruments and machines (VIMAS) is used here like the place, facilities and services that optimize (to simplify, to lower the price, to make more trustworthy) all the operations of these ocean devices. The operations include maintenance, testing, transport, deployment, anchorage, gathering, connections, supply, etc.

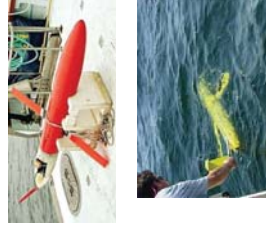


Figure 4. Gliders, ROVs and buoys

Abstract

Specialized software analysis tools are needed for safe and economic design of offshore wind turbines. Many tools are today in active development both in the academic and commercial world. Typically, the existing programs utilize a combination of modal analysis, multi-body dynamics and the finite element method. However, professionals and students in the offshore wind turbine business alike, often struggle with the multidisciplinary complexity of offshore wind turbines.

ASHES is a novel analysis and design tool for horizontal axis offshore wind turbines. In the growing plethora of wind turbine analysis software, ASHES seeks to distinguish itself on three areas:

1. Innovative visualization and graphical user interface techniques in order to assist the study and understanding of the wind turbine.
2. Computational efficiency.
3. Integrating design and code verification in a single tool

Innovative Visualization Techniques

We believe that effective graphical visualization can be as an important output from an analysis as traditional numerical results. In particular this is the case when it comes to correct interpretation of data and identifying possible design improvements. Thus, implementation of visualization and investigation of effective visualization capabilities are a priority.

Visualization is built around *the real-time analysis* capabilities of the framework, thus giving the software the touch and feel of a “desk-top laboratory” - input parameters can be changed in the middle of the analysis etc.

Among features that are/will be visualized are:

- Loading on blades and tower broken down according to source (thrust, torque, gravity, etc), incl. scaling.
- Deformation of blades and tower, incl. scaling.
- Sea surface, wind, waves, and current
- Exact blade geometry as well as blade pitch and twist
- Detailed investigation of the load triangle

In Figure 1 the OC4 jacket[3] is shown in a deformed state. Aerodynamic loading on the rotor and hydrodynamic on the jacket is shown. On the rotor the thrust and torque components on every blade element is shown. Additionally the total thrust is shown in the hub. For the jacket the wave loading represented as drag and inertia loading are shown. The blades are visualized by drawing leading edge, trailing edge, and the chord for each blade element.

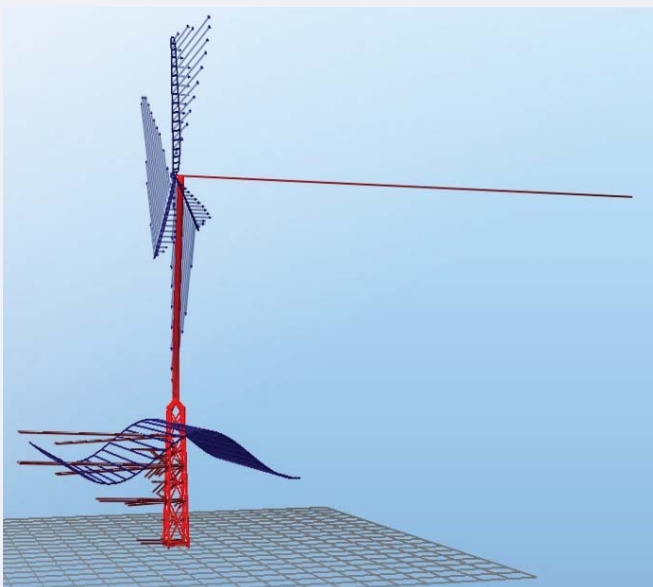


Figure 1: Screen dump from ASHES showing the OC4 jacket[3]

Computational Efficiency

ASHES is based on an object-oriented finite element framework. The framework was developed to form a basis for any specialized finite element analysis tool, e.g. - as in this case - an offshore wind turbine. The choice of object-oriented implementation is founded on the assumption that an improved and more effective development cycle can be achieved while maintaining at least the same computational efficiency as traditional implementations (e.g. using procedural Fortran). The computational efficiency of the framework has been benchmarked in [1].

Computational efficiency is foremost an issue when a bulk of analysis results are needed, i.e. typically for code verification when visualization is of limited interest. We are working to satisfy this use of the tool by considering interesting possibilities like:

- Convenient use of multiple cores and/or multiple computers
- Convenient specification of analysis cases (typically load cases)

Benchmarking and Validation

Benchmarking and validation of analysis results are considered essential also in the short term. Three benchmarking initiatives have currently been performed / are currently underway:

- *NOWITECH/NORCOWE Model Wind Turbine Blind Test* [2]. BEM results have been benchmarked against BEM and CFD codes. Results show good agreement with measurements and other codes, see Figure 2
- *IEA Wind Annex 30 OC4 project* [3]: Results are currently being produced.
- Benchmarking against tidal turbine model tests. Results from towing tank experiments for a 1.5m diameter tidal turbine is being benchmarked [4]. ASHES is being extended to tidal turbines as a part of this work.

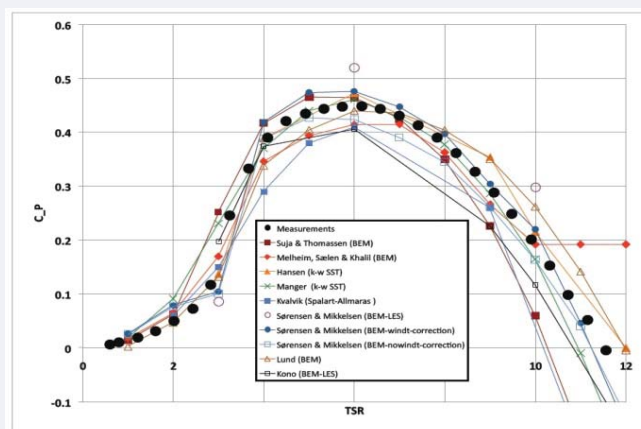


Figure 2: Power curve from NOWITECH/NORCOWE blind test [2]. ASHES results have been submitted by Suja and Thomassen

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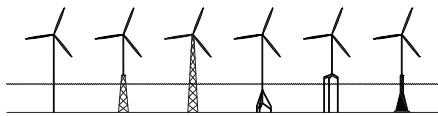
ITERATIVE OPTIMIZATION APPROACH FOR THE DESIGN OF FULL-HEIGHT LATTICE TOWERS FOR OFFSHORE WIND TURBINES

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SUPPORT STRUCTURE CONCEPTS

Installations of bottom-fixed offshore wind farms in intermediate water depth are until now based on more or less the same construction idea: the support structure of the rotor nacelle assembly (RNA) is a combination of a multi-member (jacket, tripole, tripod), tubular (monopile) or gravity based sub-structure with a tubular tower. The latter is known from onshore wind turbines. A transition piece located at a certain level above the water surface is connecting the two structural parts.

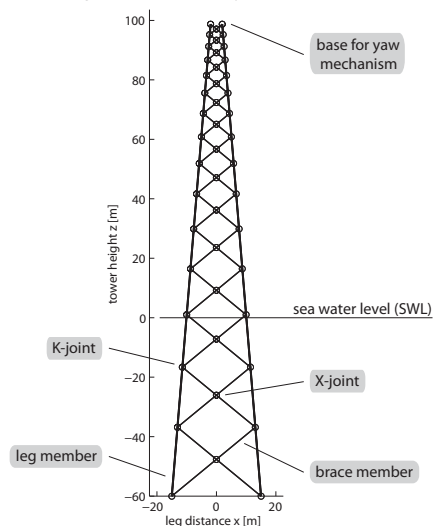


Bottom-fixed support structure concepts for intermediate water depth

A new design approach of a full-height lattice tower has been developed by the Department of Civil and Transport Engineering at NTNU, in which the traditional tubular tower is replaced by a space frame structure going all the way from seabed to RNA. The aims of this approach are a reduction in steel weight and a simplification of the installation, and thereby a reduction of total cost of the support structure, compared with known solutions.

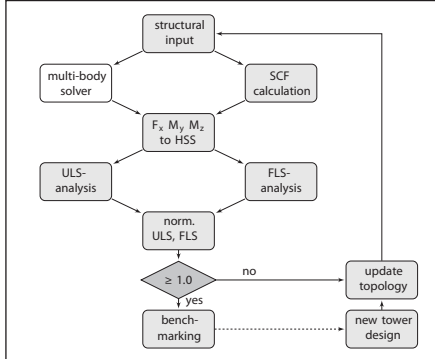
FULL-HEIGHT LATTICE TOWER DESIGN

The design of a full-height lattice tower presented here, provides directly support for the turbine nacelle, without transition to a tubular tower. The structure is characterised by leg and brace members, welded together in K- and X-joints.



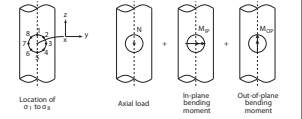
| | constant dimensions | optimized design |
|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| tower height [m] | 158.70 | 158.70 |
| leg/brace | | |
| diameter [m] | 1.6/0.8 | 1.6/0.8 |
| thickness [mm] | 73/34 | 49..63/20..34 |
| number of sections | 15 | 15 |
| tower weight [t] | 3082 | 2283 |

ITERATIVE OPTIMIZATION APPROACH

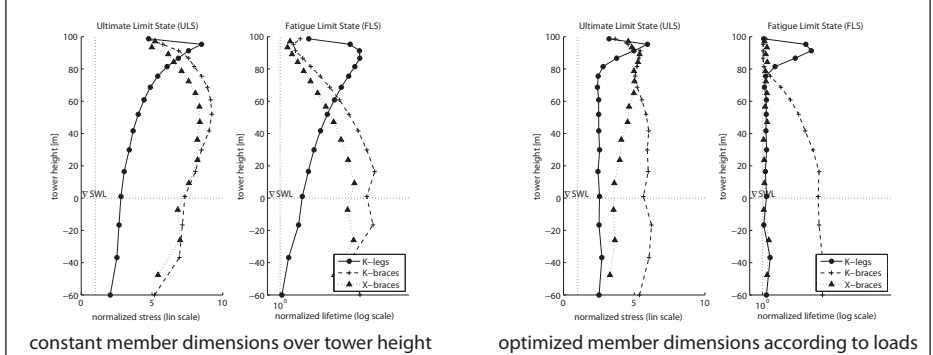


The iterative optimization approach is based on two main steps. First the analysis of a specific tower design with a multi-body solver, and second the post-processing of calculated time series of forces and moments for each member and joint. Each tower model is analysed for the ultimate limit state (ULS) and the fatigue limit state (FLS). The analysis includes the calculation of stress concentration factors (SCF) to determine hot spot stresses (HSS) in the joints of the lattice tower.

Superposition of stresses for tubular joints (DNV-RP-C203)

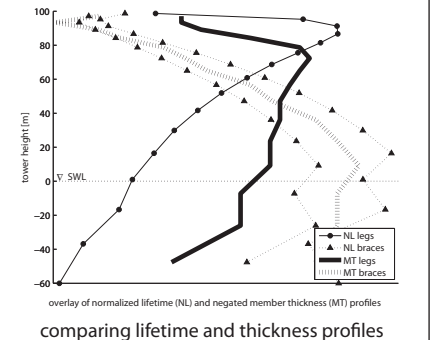


OPTIMIZATION RESULTS



STRUCTURAL BEHAVIOR OF OPTIMIZED DESIGN

Members were changed section-wise with constant dimension in each section. This leads to dependencies between parameters that are optimized, since legs and braces are physically connected in K-joints and the variation of one of these members results in a changed behavior for the connected member, too. Adjusting brace dimensions leads to changes in both K- and X-joints for brace elements. This limits the possibility to optimize leg and brace members for both K- and X-joints at the same time.



10MW NOWITECH REFERENCE TURBINE

A full-height lattice tower for the installation of the proposed 10MW NOWITECH reference turbine in 60m water depth was chosen as case. The rotor has a diameter of 141m and the concept is a horizontal axis three bladed offshore wind turbine. Simulation runs with 13.5m/s turbulent wind (16% turbulence intensity) and an irregular sea state with JONSWAP spectrum ($H_s=4m$, $T_p=9s$) were performed for aligned wind and wave direction to provide initial load conditions. The model was built in FEDEM Windpower with a bottom-fixed foundation.

SUMMARY

Since several design parameters lead to significant changes in the tower topology of a full-height lattice tower and time-domain analyses are time consuming and expensive, an effective optimization approach is needed to be able to reduce the number of necessary simulation runs.

An approach was presented, where results from the analysis of a design with constant member dimensions over tower height were analysed and translated into an expectation of the member dimension profile over tower height for an optimized design.

WAKE MEASUREMENTS BEHIND AN ARRAY OF TWO MODEL WIND TURBINES



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1. MOTIVATION

- Less energy extraction of downwind turbines in a wind farm
- Increased material fatigue on downwind rotors due to additional turbulence in the rotor wake
- Need for experimental data on second turbine wake for computational wake models
- Optimization of wind farm development with wake models

2. OBJECTIVES

- Quantify the difference in mean velocity and turbulence intensity between the first and second turbine wake
- Influence of turbine separation distance S/D on mean velocity U_M/U_∞ and turbulence intensity u'/U_M in the wake behind two turbines

3. EXPERIMENTAL SETUP

- Wind tunnel test section of 2.0m (height) x 2.7m (width) x 12.0m (length)
- Wind tunnel inflow speed of $U_\infty=11.5$ m/s

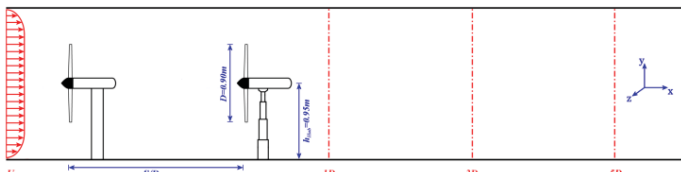


Fig. 1. Experimental setup and axial measurement stations downstream of the second model turbine at 1D, 3D and 5D

- Power coefficient C_p measured by torque sensor
- Turbine tip speed ratio λ acquired by RPM sensor
- Two separation distances $S/D=3$ and $S/D=5$ investigated
- Wind turbines operated at design tip speed ratio $\lambda_{Tu1}=6$ resp. $\lambda_{Tu2}=4$
- Mean velocity and turbulence intensity measurements by means of hot wire anemometry at three axial measurement stations in the wake

4. RESULTS

4.1. TURBINE POWER CHARACTERISTICS

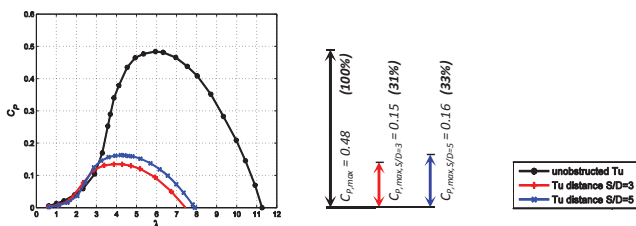


Fig. 2. Power curves of the second model wind turbine operated unobstructed, $S/D=3$ downstream and $S/D=5$ downstream of the first turbine

4.2. FLOW FIELD DOWNSTREAM OF THE TWO TURBINES

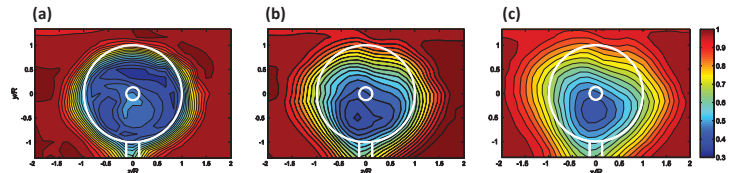


Fig. 3. Normalized mean velocity U_M/U_∞ [-] in the wake behind the array of two model turbines separated $S/D=3$: (a) 1D downstream; (b) 3D downstream; (c) 5D downstream

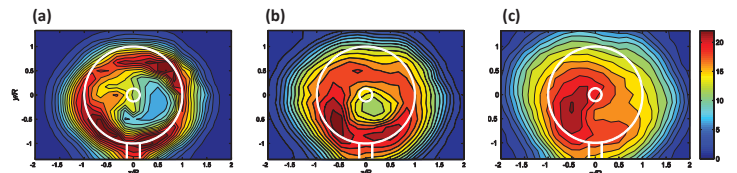


Fig. 4. Turbulence intensity u'/U_M [%] in the wake behind the array of two model turbines separated $S/D=3$: (a) 1D downstream; (b) 3D downstream; (c) 5D downstream

4.3. COMPARISON OF DIFFERENT TURBINE ARRANGEMENTS

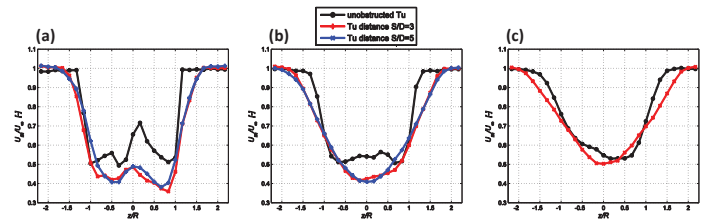


Fig. 5. Comparison of the normalized mean velocity U_M/U_∞ [-] behind one unobstructed turbine, two turbines separated $S/D=3$ and two turbines separated $S/D=5$: (a) 1D downstream; (b) 3D downstream; (c) 5D downstream

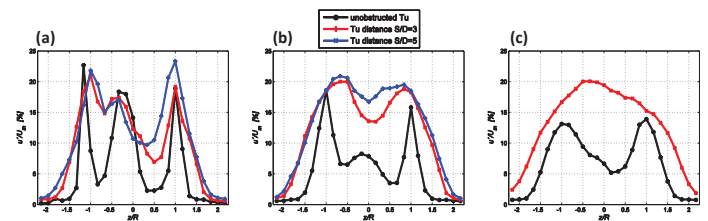


Fig. 6. Comparison of the turbulence intensity u'/U_M [%] behind one unobstructed turbine, two turbines separated $S/D=3$ and two turbines separated $S/D=5$: (a) 1D downstream; (b) 3D downstream; (c) 5D downstream

5. CONCLUSIONS

- Evident asymmetries in mean velocity and turbulence intensity profiles in close distances behind the second turbine rotor
- More uniform and symmetrical flow field further downstream in the wake
- Significantly higher turbulence intensities behind two turbines than behind one unobstructed turbine
- Considerably higher velocity deficits in the near wake behind the second turbine compared to the wake behind one unobstructed turbine
- Hardly any influence of turbine separation distance S/D on velocity and turbulence profiles in the wake
- Velocity profile at five rotor diameters behind the second turbine is already very similar to the velocity distribution behind the first turbine
- Higher symmetry and uniformity in velocity and turbulence intensity profiles behind the second turbine than behind the first turbine



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Active Power Control with Undead-Band Voltage & Frequency Droop for HVDC Converters in Large Meshed DC Grids

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Introduction DC Voltage Control

HVDC Converter Control Requirements for Large Meshed DC Grids:

- High Reliability
- Integration of Uncontrolled Electrical Islands
- Distributed Balancing Control
- Plug and Play
- Robustness against Communication Faults
- Consideration of DC Voltage Drop
- Robustness against Manipulation
- AC Frequency Support

Known DC Voltage Control Methods

- Direct Voltage Control
- Voltage Margin Control
- Droop Control
- Dead-Band Droop Control

Control Method Overview

| Control Method | Conv. 1 | | Conv. 2 | | Conv. 3 | |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | $D_{v,1}$ | $D_{v,2}$ | $D_{v,1}$ | $D_{v,2}$ | $D_{v,1}$ | $D_{v,2}$ |
| Direct Voltage | ∞ | ∞ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Voltage Margin | ∞ | 0 | 0 | ∞ | 0 | 0 |
| Droop | K_1 | K_1 | K_2 | K_2 | K_3 | K_3 |
| Dead-Band Droop | ∞ | K_1 | 0 | K_2 | 0 | K_3 |

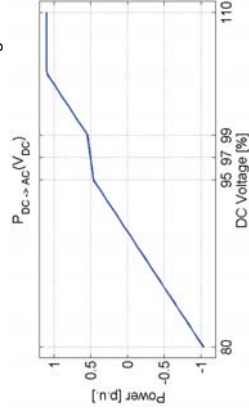
Undead-Band Droop Control for Voltage and Frequency

Power, Voltage and Frequency Limitations

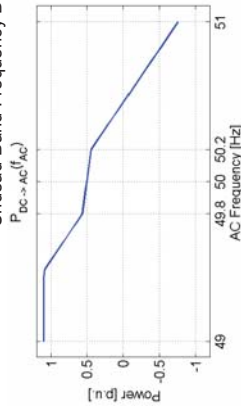
| | Min. | Max. |
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| Power limitation | -1,1 | 1,1 |
| Power setpoint | -1,0 | 1,0 |
| Voltage limitation | 0,8 | 1,1 |
| Voltage setpoint | 0,9 | 1,0 |
| Voltage tolerance | -2% | +2% |

| | Min. | Max. |
|----------------------|-------|-------|
| Power limitation | -1,1 | 1,1 |
| Power setpoint | -1,0 | 1,0 |
| Frequency limitation | 0,98 | 1,02 |
| Frequency setpoint | 1,0 | 1,0 |
| Frequency tolerance | -0,4% | +0,4% |

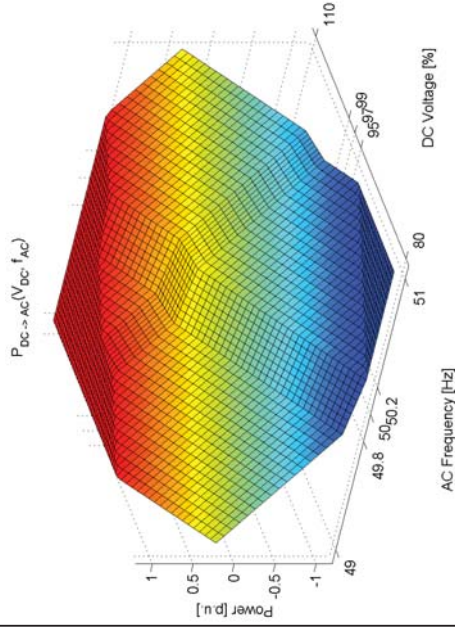
Undead-Band Voltage Droop



Undead-Band Frequency Droop



Combined Frequency & Voltage Droop Concept and Advantages



Advantages:

- Wide definition, includes the other known control methods
- Avoiding zero and infinity as control parameter
- Combines advantages of the other methods
- Leaving room for individual optimisation
- Minimum of required communication
- Distributed balancing
- Self stabilising
- Robust against manipulation due to autonomous operation
- Automatic exchange of primary reserves
- Also suitable for storage units

Conclusion

Proposed control method has several conceptual advantages

Validation and verification via power system simulations is on its way

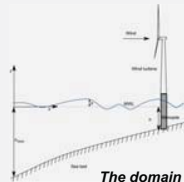
Fully Nonlinear Wave Forcing on an Offshore Wind Turbine. Structural Response and Fatigue.

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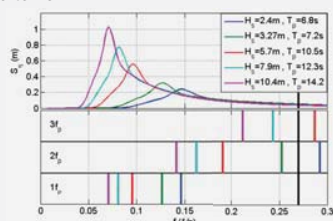
Model setup

The effect from fully nonlinear irregular wave forcing on the fatigue life of the monopile foundation and offshore wind turbine tower is investigated through aeroelastic calculations. Five representative sea states with increasing significant wave height are considered in a water depth of 40 m. The response is analysed for both linear and nonlinear wave forcing and the results are compared. The wind turbine is the NREL 5MW reference wind turbine.

The fully nonlinear potential flow wave model of Engsig-Karup et al. (2009) is used to compute unidirectional irregular waves. The dynamic behavior of the wind turbine and foundation is calculated in the aeroelastic code Flex5, Øye (1996). Fatigue analysis is performed together with analysis of the sectional force in the bottom of the tower.



The domain



The spectra of the five sea states at the wave inlet ($h=135\text{m}$). Below the spectra the three first harmonics of the sea states are indicated. The black line indicates the first eigenfrequency of the structure. The incident wave spectra are truncated at $f=0.3\text{ Hz}$.

The wind speed in the aeroelastic computations are small, constant and equal for all five sea states. The effects of larger wind speeds and turbulence is discussed in column three.

| H_s (m) | T_p (s) | W (m/s) |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 2.3 | 6.8 | 5.0 |
| 3.1 | 7.9 | 5.0 |
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| 7.0 | 12.3 | 5.0 |
| 9.4 | 14.2 | 5.0 |

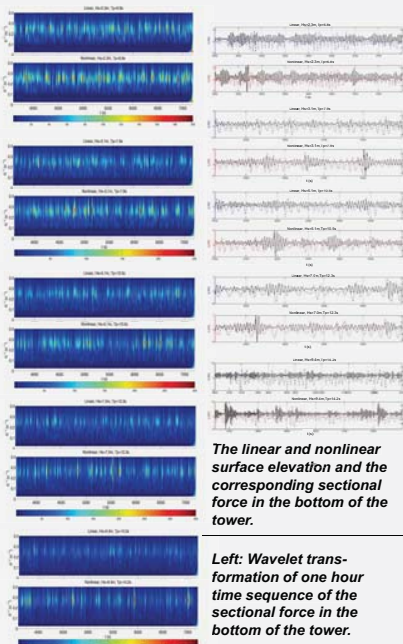
Wave and wind data

Response in bottom of tower

The sectional force in the bottom of the tower is very dependent on whether the waves are linear or nonlinear, cf. the figure in the next column. Excitation of the structural eigenmode in a ringing-type behavior is seen when steep waves hit the structure and almost only for nonlinear waves. The excitation is also seen for the smallest sea states.

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The linear and nonlinear surface elevation and the corresponding sectional force in the bottom of the tower.

Left: Wavelet transformation of one hour time sequence of the sectional force in the bottom of the tower.

Equivalent load range

The equivalent load range, L_{eq} , represent one load value that for a certain number of cycles, N_{eq} , results in the same damage level as the history of fatigue loads which are investigated, here $N_{eq}=7200$

| H_s (m) | T_p (s) | W (m/s) | $\frac{L_{eq, NL}}{L_{eq, L}}$ $m=3$ | $\frac{L_{eq, NL}}{L_{eq, L}}$ $m=5$ |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|---|---|
| 2.3 | 6.8 | 5.0 | 1.24 | 1.28 |
| 3.1 | 7.9 | 5.0 | 1.33 | 1.52 |
| 5.1 | 10.5 | 5.0 | 1.32 | 1.53 |
| 7.0 | 12.3 | 5.0 | 1.53 | 2.34 |
| 9.4 | 14.2 | 5.0 | 1.93 | 2.65 |

Ratio between the nonlinear and linear equivalent load range in the bottom of the tower for damage exponents $m=3$ and $m=5$.

It is clear that L_{eq} is largest in case of nonlinear waves and also that the ratio increases with increasing significant wave height.

Relative fatigue analysis

The fatigue analysis is based on the relative probability of occurrence

$$P_{i,rel} = \frac{P_i(H_s, T_p)}{\sum P_i(H_s, T_p)}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, 5$$

The fatigue analysis states that for the linear waves the contribution from each sea state is close to the probability of occurrence. For the nonlinear waves the largest sea states contribute significantly to the relative fatigue damage, despite their low probability of occurrence.

| H_s (m) | T_p (s) | W (m/s) | $P_{i,rel}$ (%) | Linear | | Nonlinear | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------|--------|-------|-----------|-------|
| | | | | $m=3$ | $m=5$ | $m=3$ | $m=5$ |
| 2.3 | 6.8 | 5.0 | 53 | 46.5 | 41.5 | 40.3 | 15.0 |
| 3.1 | 7.9 | 5.0 | 35 | 36.6 | 36.5 | 39.9 | 31.2 |
| 5.1 | 10.5 | 5.0 | 10 | 14.2 | 17.5 | 14.9 | 15.2 |
| 7.0 | 12.3 | 5.0 | 1.4 | 2.3 | 3.6 | 3.8 | 26.4 |
| 9.4 | 14.2 | 5.0 | 0.15 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 12.3 |

The relative contribution to the fatigue damage per sea state in the bottom of the tower for damage exponents $m=3$ and $m=5$.

Discussion

The analysis shown here indicate that the nonlinearity of the waves can change the response significantly. One example is the impulsive excitation of the force in the bottom of the tower for nonlinear waves. Also the equivalent loads are significant larger in case of nonlinear waves than in case of linear waves. Further, the largest sea states contribute significant to the fatigue damage level in case of nonlinear waves.

More realistic conditions may be obtained by incorporation of turbulent wind climates with speeds that better correspond to the sea states. Preliminary results of such computations show that the effect from nonlinear waves still exist. For this case, however, the aerodynamic damping is stronger and the ringing response is thus damped out faster. Further, interpretation is less clear, as the signal is overlaid with the response from the turbulent wind fluctuations.

The situation analysed here with a small wind velocity provides a clear base for analysis. For the case of a zero wind speed, the aerodynamic damping will be absent and the effects from wave nonlinearity are expected to be larger. This corresponds to the situation where the wind and wave direction are misaligned or a storm condition where the wind turbine is idled. As both situations are part of the design basis, the present results are highly relevant for practical design.

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A panel vortex code for wind turbines implemented on a GPU

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The aerodynamic loads acting on a wind turbine are typically implemented using the Beam Element Momentum (BEM) method. This method is valid within certain limits, e.g. as long as the flow is aligned perpendicular to the rotor plane. The main reason for the popularity of the BEM method is its efficiency and ease of implementation. However, the limitations of this method make it desirable to use a more general method for determining the aerodynamic loads acting on wind turbines. The vortex method is one such alternative, but it has not been extensively used due to its large computational cost. The purpose of the present study was to investigate the possibility of reducing the computational cost of the panel vortex method by implementing the code on a general purpose GPU.

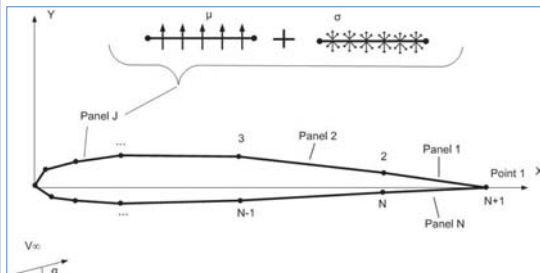


Figure 1: An illustration of the wing, with the surface divided into panel elements

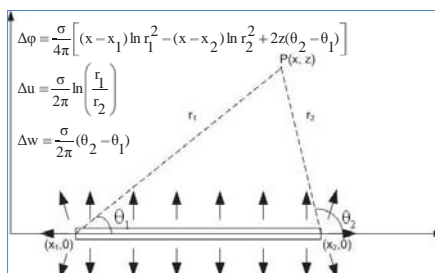


Figure 2: A two-dimensional constant strength source element

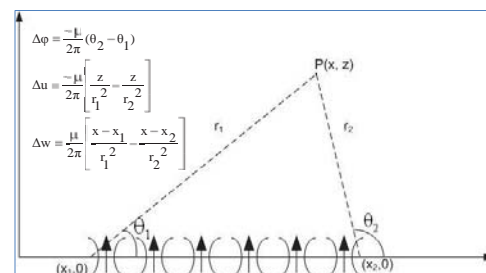


Figure 3: A two-dimensional constant strength doublet element

What is a GPU?

GPU is an abbreviation for Graphics Processing Unit and was originally developed for graphical applications. It has developed into a programmable processor unit that has a computing power exceeding those of multi-core CPUs [1]. A two-dimensional application with a combined GPU and CPU application has been validated, and the gain in computational speed relative to a pure CPU implementation has been evaluated [3]. The reduction in computational time is shown in figure 4.

The GPU implementation in [3] used the Thrust library [4] that allows for adapting a program to run parts of the code on the GPU with minimal changes in the code relative to the CPU version. This is not an optimal solution as the constant memory copying slows down the simulation. A code written in CUDA C, which would run completely on the GPU, would make the method faster. This implementation used a brute force algorithm, calculating all the interactions. An approximation algorithm (e.g. Barnes-Hut tree algorithm) is orders of magnitude faster. Still, it can be seen that even with this simple implementation the GPU is faster than the CPU if more than 1000 wake particles are used. In figure 4 one can see that the computational time saved increases as amount of wake particles increases.

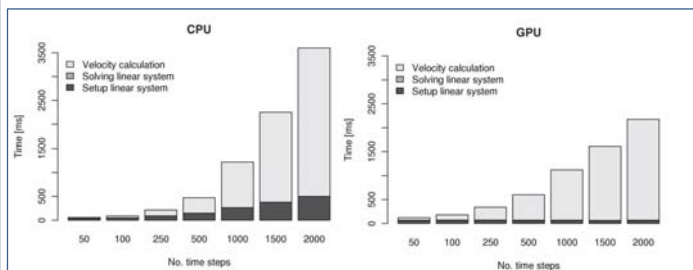


Figure 4: The computational times for a CPU, relative to a combined CPU and GPU for a two dimensional calculation [3]

Why do we need a faster vortex method?

The main analysis tool for aerodynamic loading is presently the Beam Element Momentum (BEM) method. This method is based upon a momentum approach, with the flow perpendicular to the rotor. Some of the situations modelled by the BEM method is out of its area of validity. At present, other tools such as computational fluid dynamic (CFD) and the vortex method have too high computational cost.

The vortex method is a more dynamic analysis tool. In its original form it is only for potential flow, which is an oversimplification. In reality there is vorticity in the flow. However, if one is aware of this, and uses the tool with caution one could calculate a more wide variety of load cases. At the moment the largest disadvantage using the vortex method is the large computational time. When this is reduced, the vortex method should be used as an aerodynamic analysis tool in addition to the BEM method.

What is the panel vortex method?

The vortex method is based on the assumption of potential flow. In the panel method the wing surface and the trailing wake are divided into panels. This is shown for a two-dimensional wing in figure 1. Each panel on the wing surface is given both a constant strength source and doublet element. If the strength of the elements are known, one can calculate the difference in potential or velocities due to the elements based on the distance, r , and angle, θ , see figures 2 and 3 [2].

The strength of the elements are established by applying two boundary conditions; the first is to set the flow across the elements to zero (Dirichlets boundary condition) and the second says that there should be no vortices at the trailing edge (Kutta condition).

Based on the equations included in figure 2 and 3, one can establish the velocity at any point in the fluid. The pressure can be computed based on these velocities using the Bernoulli's law, and thus the lift and drag forces can be established for the wing. The wake is also modelled as panels with doublet elements. Thus the shape and strength of the wake is included in the aerodynamic forces calculated by the vortex method. The main computational effort is spent in calculating the induced velocities, where all particles influence eachother.



Figure 5: Two NACA 0012 wings rotating. The pitch angle is constant, and the illustration is showing the wake development at three different stages in time.

In figure 5 a three dimensional rotating wing is shown. Here the surface is divided into quadrilateral elements and the surface is given doublet and source strengths according to the incoming flow.

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Yaw Moment of a three-bladed wind turbine with yaw error

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1. Introduction

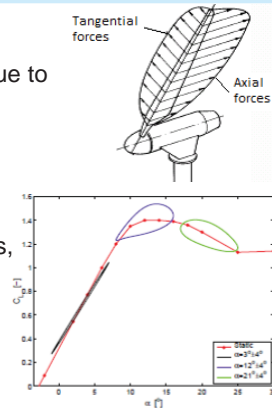
Predicting yaw moments is a challenge, since the unsteady operating environment makes the flow behaviour difficult to predict. However a better understanding of the yaw behaviour could reduce operating/maintenance costs. In the present study the yaw moments of a 3-bladed HAWT are calculated with FAST. Finally they are compared with experimental results.

2. How yaw moments are generated?

- The blade loads vary during the rotation, due to the variation of angle of attack

- A dynamic variation of angle of attack

causes hysteresis in the airfoil characteristics, contributing greatly to asymmetry, which increases yaw loads



3. Simulation assumptions

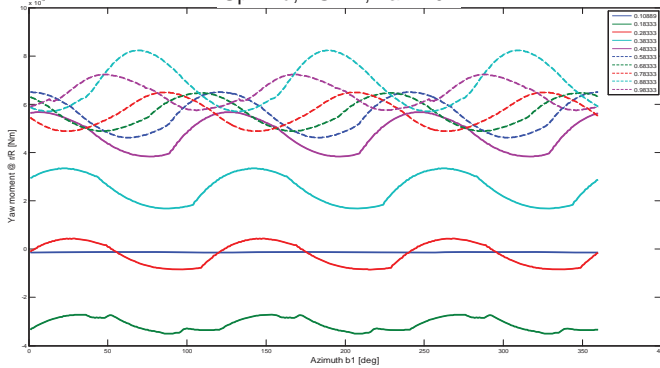
- The model geometry used for the simulation is the turbine tested in the wind tunnel at NTNU, for which large amount of data is available¹
- Yaw moments are computed for fixed yaw angles of +10 and +20 in upwind and downwind configurations
- The aerodynamic model used to compute the blade loads is a Generalized Dynamic Wake model (GDW) and the Beddoes dynamic stall model is included²

4. Results

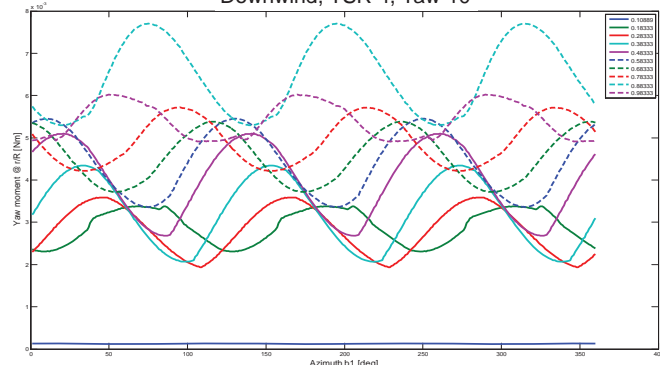
Convention used : Positive Yaw Moments return the rotor perpendicular to the wind.

Yaw Moments along the blade

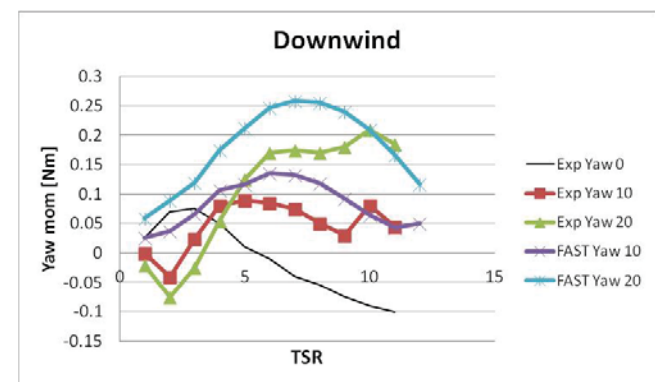
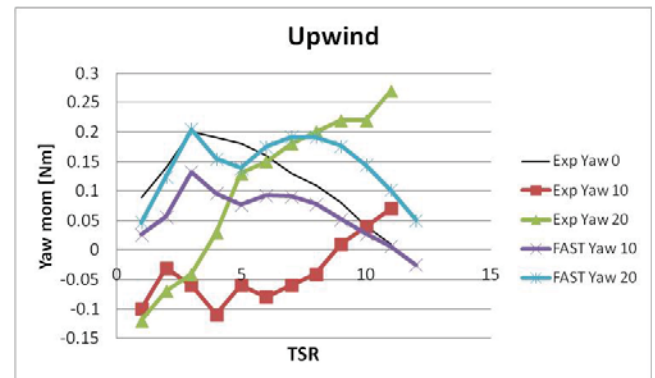
Upwind, TSR 4, Yaw 10



Downwind, TSR 4, Yaw 10



Comparison with experiment³



5.1. Discussion

Upwind: for $r/R < 30\%$ the yaw moments give a negative contribution; for $r/R > 60\%$ the yaw moments "pack" around $6e-3$ Nm.

Downwind: the yaw moments are positive along the whole blade and less spread than for upwind.

5.2. Discussion

Upwind: the experimental results show an unstable behaviour up to $TSR \approx 9$ and 4 for Yaw = 10 and 20 deg respectively. Whereas it is predicted a stable behaviour for all the conditions unless at very high TSR, for Yaw=10 deg

Downwind: the experiment shows a unstable behaviour only at low TSR for both yaw angles.

The prediction seem more comparable with the experiment.

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Gain scheduled and robust \mathcal{H}_∞ control above rated wind speed for wind turbines

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Abstract

Two different approaches for individual pitch control for wind turbines is investigated. The first one is a gain scheduled decentralised control design and the second one is a robust \mathcal{H}_∞ loop shaping control design. Both controllers work well in the region above rated wind speed, exhibiting a response that is mostly independent of wind speed.

Introduction

For variable-speed wind turbines, the control regime is divided into an above-rated mode and a below-rated mode. Because of the increasing rotor size and the spatial load variations along the blade, it is necessary to react to turbulence in a more detailed way, with each blade separately controlled. The controllers designed in this paper are specifically designed to provide speed regulation above rated wind speed in order to reduce the blade flap motions.

The wind turbine model

The results presented in the poster correspond to the NREL 5 MW benchmark wind turbine.

| | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Rating | 5 MW |
| Rotor Configuration | Upwind, 3 blades |
| Rotor diameter, Hub height | 126 m, 90 m |
| Rated wind speed, rated rotor speed | 11.4 m/s, 12.1 rpm |

Table 1: Properties for the NREL 5MW benchmark wind turbine

The dedicated software FAST, has been used for simulation and analysis of the wind turbine.

The wind turbine model has been Coleman transformed and the Coleman system and Coleman coordinates are used in the rest of the poster. The subscripts c, h, v are used for the collective, horizontal and vertical Coleman coordinates respectively. The model used is

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\omega}_g \\ \dot{f}_h \\ \dot{f}_v \end{bmatrix} = G \begin{bmatrix} \beta_c \\ \beta_h \\ \beta_v \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

where G is the wind turbine model, ω_g is the generator speed, f is the individual blade flap motions, i.e. collective blade flap is not used, and β is the pitch input.

Linearization

The system has been linearized around different steady-state operating points above rated wind speed. The wind speed range under study is between 12.1 m/s and 26 m/s.

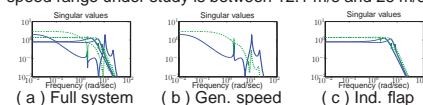


Figure 1: Singular values plot for the wind turbine model at two different wind speeds. 12.1 m/s (solid) and 26 m/s (dashed). Different outputs is used in each figure.

It is clear that the linear systems response depends on the mean wind speed, and the difference is large for the system with the generator speed as output, but not very large when the flap motions are the outputs.

Design of a baseline controller

The linear model at 14 m/s has been used when designing a baseline controller. The Bode plot for the three control loops can be found in figure 2 (only one flap loop is shown but the other one is very similar).

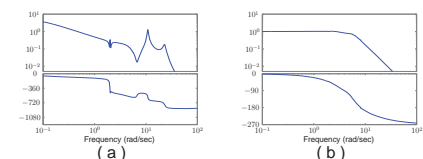


Figure 2: Bode plots for the SISO loops at 14 m/s. a) The collective to generator speed loop, b) The individual pitch to individual flap loop.

It is possible to use classical loop-shaping techniques on each loop. The collective pitch-generator speed loop uses a PI regulator and two notch filters with zeros at the poles of the high-frequency resonances. The same PI controller

without the notch filters results in more vibrations in the drive train. The bandwidth of this loop is about 1 rad/s. A PID controller for the individual pitch-individual flap loops has been used resulting in a bandwidth of 10 rad/s. The base line controller behaves well at wind speeds close to its design wind speed but behaves very badly at high wind speeds.

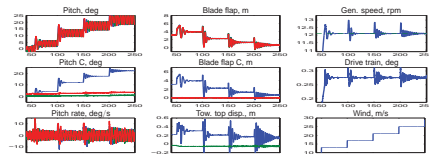


Figure 3: The base line controller simulated in a wind field with steps in the uniform wind speed and with a vertical power law wind shear of 0.3. Note the large oscillating behavior at high wind speeds in all output signals.

This can be fixed to some extent by using a slower controller but that would result in slow control at low wind speed which might not be satisfactory. A gain scheduled or more advanced robust controller might work better.

A Gain scheduled controller

A simple gain scheduling approach to nonlinearities is to design a continuous set of linear controllers, $K_\alpha(s)$, that is parametrized by a scheduling variables α . A scheduling variable is a variable that can be measured or calculated from measured signals that determine which operation point the system works at or works close to. The controller output is then calculated by first calculating the scheduling variable, α , and then using the controller $K_\alpha(s)$ to calculate the output.

This has been done for the wind turbine by using the collective pitch as scheduling variable and scheduling the gain of the baseline controller designed above. The controller used is thus

$$\beta_c^t = k(\beta_c^{t-1})K(s)y \quad (2)$$

where $K(s)$ is the baseline controller. The scheduling is only performed for the collective speed to generator speed loop. The function $k(\beta_c)$ is determined by first choosing new cross over frequencies for several wind speeds between 12.1 m/s and 26 m/s, followed by determining a new controller gain for each wind speed that achieves the chosen cross over frequency, and the last step is to fit a polynomial to the data points to get a continuous function. The new cross over frequencies are chosen to be lower than the cross over frequency for the base line controller below 14 m/s and the same as for the base line controller above 14 m/s. The reason for this is that the problem with the base line controller is due to a high system gain at high wind speeds and that the phase of the model is quite low at low wind speeds.

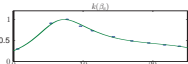


Figure 4: The controller gain as a function of collective pitch. The circles show the gain for the operating points used in the calculation.

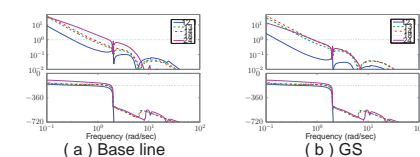


Figure 5: The loop transfer function from collective speed to generator speed when the baseline controller respectively the gain scheduling controller is used for the models at 12.1, 13, 14, 18 and 24m/s

The gain scheduled based line controller works well in the whole region above rated wind speed.

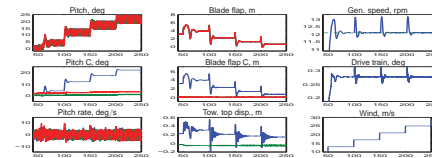


Figure 6: The gain scheduled base line controller simulated in a wind field with steps in the uniform wind speed. Note that the behavior of the output signals do not depend much on the wind speed

\mathcal{H}_∞ loop shaping design

The gain scheduled diagonal controller designed above is simple to use but it might be difficult to achieve good closed-loop properties (such as high bandwidth and robustness). Another control method that has often resulted in good controllers is the \mathcal{H}_∞ loop-shaping design proposed by Glover and McFarlane.

The first step is to shape the singular values of the loop transfer function $L_1 = W_2GW_1$, with the use of a pre-filter W_1 and a post-filter W_2 .

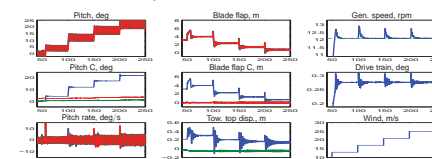
$$u_s \rightarrow W_1 \rightarrow u \rightarrow G \rightarrow y \rightarrow W_2 \rightarrow y_s$$

The loop transfer function L_1 is called the shaped plant. The goal of this step is to find filters W_1 and W_2 such that the shaped plant has a large magnitude where control is important, often at low frequencies, a crossover frequency that fits with the design, a roll-off-rate of about -1 around the crossover frequency to achieve stability, and enough roll-off at high frequencies to avoid problems with measurement noise and robustness.

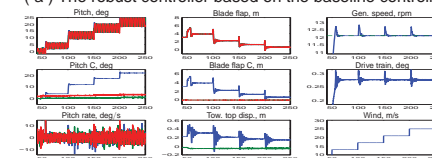
The second step is to robustly stabilize the loop transfer function L_1 by a second controller K_r . This step is completely automatic and the complete controller K is then given by $K = W_1K_rW_2$.

$$\begin{matrix} u_s \\ \downarrow \\ W_2 \\ \downarrow \\ K_r \\ \downarrow \\ W_1 \\ \downarrow \\ u \\ \downarrow \\ G \\ \downarrow \\ y \end{matrix}$$

One possible design procedure is to design the pre-filter as a decentralized PID controller. This procedure is used in this work and the controllers that have been robustified are the baseline controller and a faster version of the baseline controller. Both controllers work well in the whole region above rated wind speed.



(a) The robust controller based on the baseline controller



(b) The robust controller based on a faster controller than the base line controller

Figure 9: The \mathcal{H}_∞ loop shaping controllers imulated in a wind field with steps in the uniform wind speed. Note that the behavior of the output signals do not depend much on the wind speed

Conclusion

Two different individual pitch controllers that take into account the different behavior of a wind turbine at different wind speeds have been designed. The first one is a gain scheduled diagonal controller and the second one is a robust controller based on the \mathcal{H}_∞ loop shaping design method. Both controllers work well in the whole region above rated wind speed. The gain scheduled controller is relatively easy to design, has a low order and the individual control loops are easy to understand. One possible drawback is that it is non linear. The \mathcal{H}_∞ loop shaping controller is easy to design but it gives a controller of a large order where the individual loops is difficult to understand.

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Distributed, hierarchical sensor network enabling park wide control of O&M on demand: a strategic research agenda



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- ERA NET project: Associated European Research and Technology Organisations
- Partners: European RTOs
- Duration: April 2008 - March 2012

Objectives

- Construction of a new, integrated pan-European RTO infrastructure
- Intended result is the alignments of the European Research Area by increasing coordination between national research programmes of a horizontal nature

Activities

- Systematically compare the activity profiles of the participating RTOs
- Identify those activities of common interest (full or variable geometry) which promise added value from greater cooperation
- **Implement first joint activities**
- Identify and develop joint governance mechanisms and structures

Motivation for OMO

Contradicting/competing goals

- Maximize energy production
- Maximize availability
- Maximize lifetime
- Minimize maintenance


Complexity

- Individual wind turbine → wind turbine park
- Onshore → offshore installations

Unifying measure of success

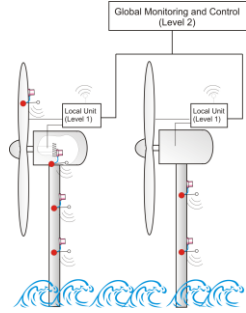
- **Costs, costs, costs...**

Technology helps!



OMO's Vision


Utilization of **hierarchical, smart sensor and control networks** to reduce the overall life-cycle costs of off-shore wind farms



- **Level 1:** sensor network in single wind energy plant
- **Level 2:** Plant to plant interaction between the local sensor networks in the wind farm

Outside the scope of the project

- **Level 3:** Farm to farm interaction to optimize grid performance



OMO's Objectives


Objective

Definition of a **strategic research agenda (SRA)** for the development of a distributed, hierarchical sensor network

- for the control of the wind park operation
- for enabling (remote) maintenance-on-demand of offshore wind parks
- and to enable Predictive Health Monitoring (PHM) and Condition Based Maintenance (CBM) strategies

Approach

- Review of the state of the art (presented at the 1st OMO Workshop in 2010)
- Get views from the end users
- Identification of future research needs and gaps and definition of a joint research agenda
- Studies on representative problems




Topics considered within OMO

Level 1: Distributed sensor network in single wind energy plants

- Wireless communication
- Sensor / electronics development and sensor integration
- Smart structures for load control / fluid-structure interaction
- Load and condition monitoring
- Predictive health models
- Control and optimization concepts


Level 2: Plant to Plant interaction between local sensor networks

- Wireless communication
- Distributed monitoring and control architectures
- Distributed optimization and decision making




End-User's Point of View – Extract from the 1st OMO Workshop

- Although only one maintenance visit per year is planned, seven or more unplanned maintenance visits per year are quite common
 - offshore wind turbines are typically not accessible by boat about 150 days/year and by helicopter about 20 days/year
 - a team of at least three mechanics is needed per visit
 - large spare parts require a vessel
- Monitoring systems are already used e.g. in the drive train or the rotor blades
 - about 150 sensors are currently applied
 - detection of large damages at the rotor blade, of unbalanced masses, of icing or lightning strikes
 - the applied systems are too complex with too much redundancy
 - only about 2% of the registered failures requires maintenance
 - a typical failure is loss of electrical contact

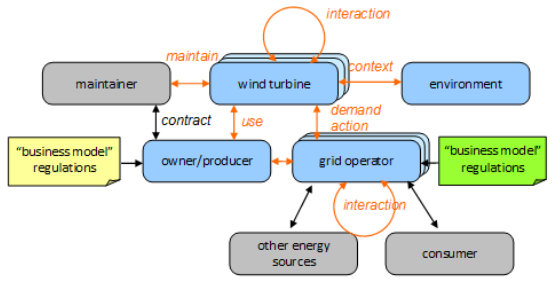



Research trajectories & milestones

| Trajectory 1: Optimisation of control & operation | |
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| 2015 | optimisation & control using advanced technologies on single wind turbine |
| 2020 | interaction between single wind turbines within wind parks (only operation) |
| 2025 | joint optimisation of operation & maintenance |
| Trajectory 2: Optimisation of maintenance | |
| 2015 | high quality data on wind turbines with respect to maintenance & failures (automatic collection) |
| 2020 | condition-based maintenance is the main strategy in wind turbine maintenance |
| 2025 | PHM is used in new wind parks |
| Trajectory 3: Integral approach | |
| 2020 | advanced monitoring (incl. remote inspection) on new installed wind turbines demonstrated |
| 2025 | new wind parks designed with park-wide control & PHM |
| 2030 | park-wide control & PHM fully implemented in all wind parks |




Optimisation & Control: Challenges


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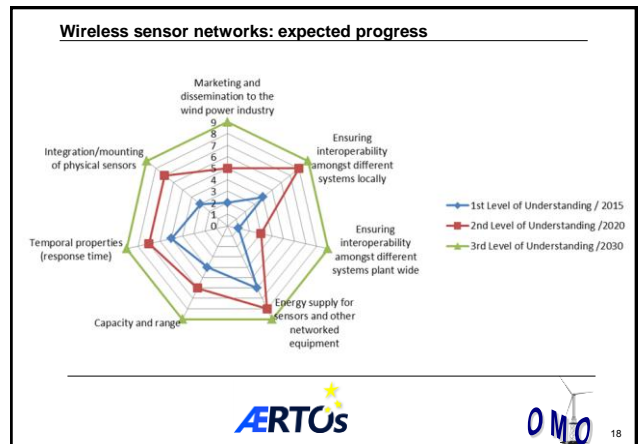
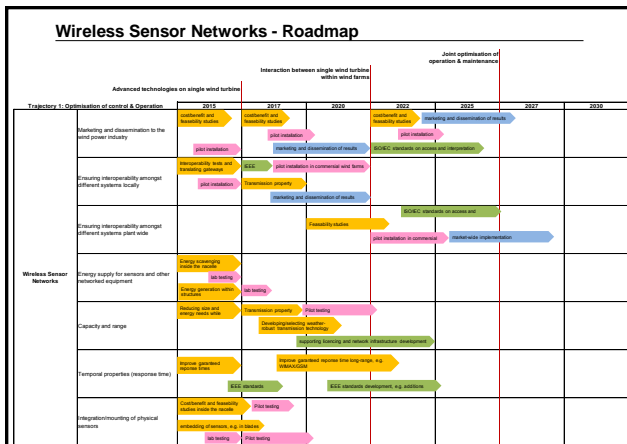
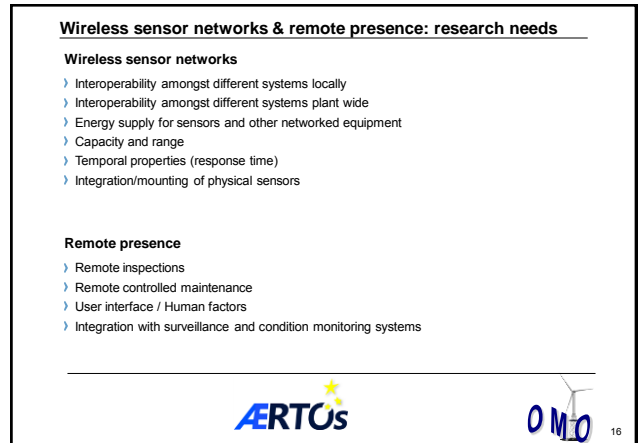
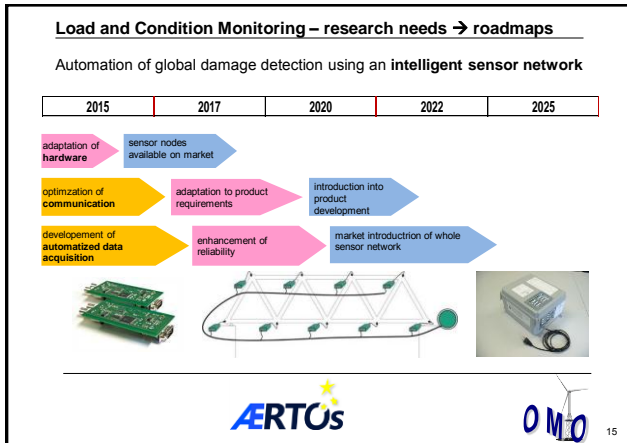
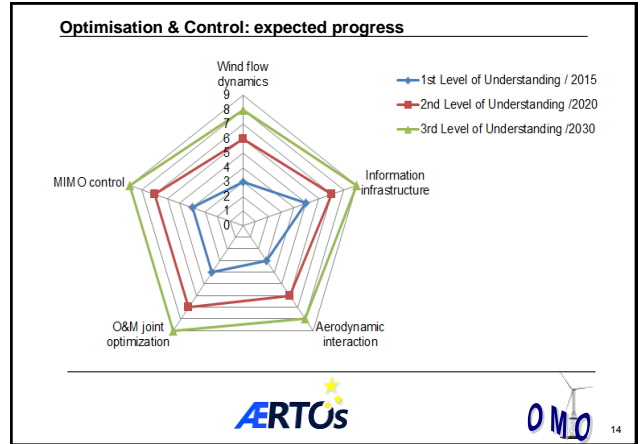
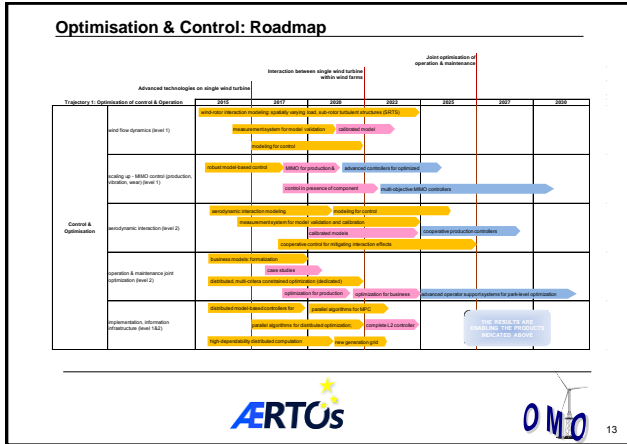
- › Scaling up – turbine level
 - › Non-uniform wind load
 - › Sub-rotor size turbulence
 - › Novel designs (structures, blades, turbines, inverters, etc.)
- › Scaling up – wind parks
 - › Aero-dynamical interactions among turbines
 - › Wind flow dynamics
- › Competitiveness, costs
 - › Production uncertainties
 - › Maintenance

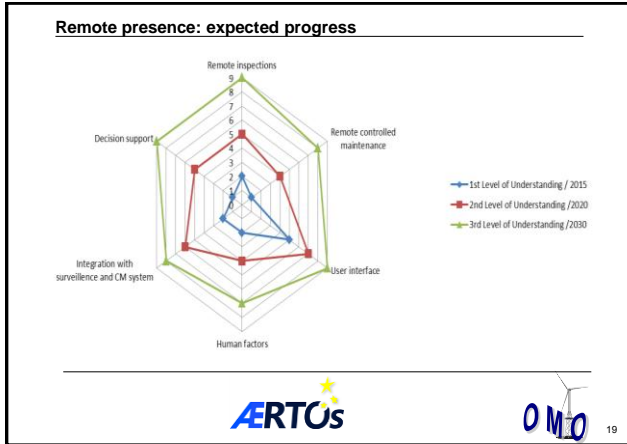


Optimisation & Control: research needs

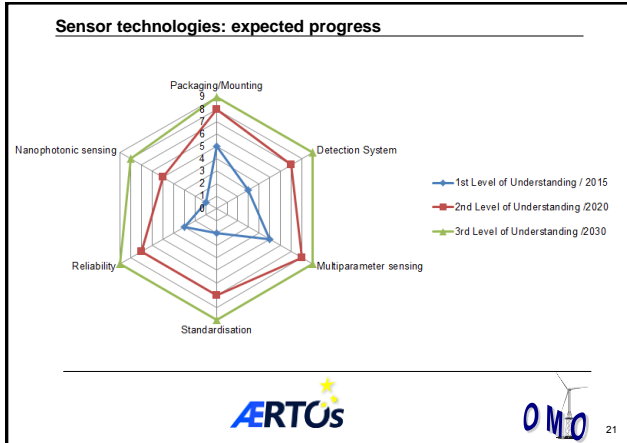
- › Wind flow dynamics
 - › Validated models for sub-rotor turbulent structures
 - › Modeling for control
- › Aerodynamic interaction
 - › Validated interaction models, models for control
 - › Cooperative control
- › MIMO control (production, vibration, wear)
 - › Robust model-based design
 - › Multi-objective optimization
- › Operation & maintenance joint optimization
 - › Input from PHM!
 - › Business model formalization
- › Implementation, information infrastructure
 - › Distributed/parallel algorithms, inherently fault tolerant algorithms







- ### Sensor technologies: research demands
- fibres optic sensor are one of the most promising sensor technologies for application in maintenance and control
- › Packaging/mounting
 - › Sensor should be part of system,
 - › Embedding of optical fiber is crucial
 - › Detection system
 - › Currently far too expensive, heavy/big, not always applicable for high sampling rates, high number of sensors.
 - › Detection system needs attention
 - › Multi parameter sensing
 - › Standardisation
 - › Reliability
 - › Self calibration/self assessment increase confidence
 - › Repair strategies have to be developed
 - › Reliable temperature compensation has to be available
 - › Nanophotonic sensing
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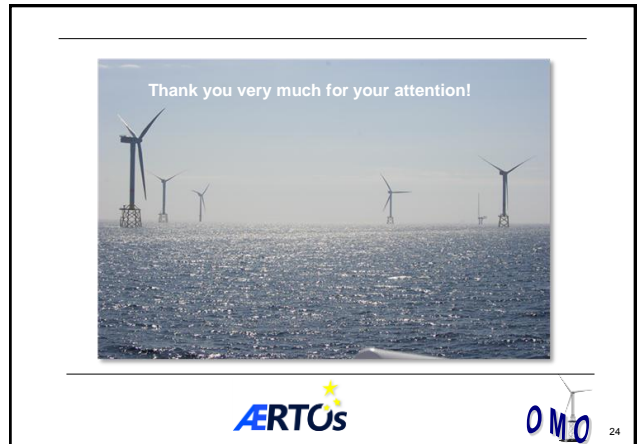


Impact of OMO technologies by 2030 compared to 2010

| | Objectives | Measures / Indicators |
|---------------------------|--|--|
| Power generation | cost of energy production: - 40% power generation: +30% | availability >> 2010 |
| | | operational hours: + 20% park wide efficiency: +20% |
| Life-Cycle-Costs | life-cycle-costs: - 30% | life-time: + 50% |
| | | # of spare parts: - 50% |
| Maintenance Costs | maintenance costs: - 70% | maintenance interval: < 1/year |
| | | failures and false positive << 2010 |
| | | zero overloading |
| | | prediction of failures / prognosis of wear |
| Lightweight Design | weight: - 20% | improved design |
| | | operational loads: - 10% |

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- ### Conclusion
- › The presented SRA provides research gaps and needs harmonised between independent research providers
 - › New concepts are needed for wind parks and wind turbine operations for minimum energy cost over the life time while maintaining predefined level of availability, reliability and safety.
 - › Optimized maintenance strategies rely on Predictive Health Monitoring (PHM) and Condition Based Maintenance (CBM)
 - › Distributed sensor networks will play a critical role providing real-time information on operational conditions and the structural integrity of the asset.
 - › In 2030, offshore wind parks will possess a very high level of control authority on park level being controlled in any desired way such as
 - › to highest efficiency,
 - › to minimal costs,
 - › longest life time,
 - › needs of the electricity grid
 - › Research and development is needed in areas such as
 - › control and optimisation,
 - › predictive health monitoring,
 - › load and condition monitoring,
 - › wireless communication,
 - › sensor technologies (particular fibre optic sensors) and
 - › smart structures including self healing.
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DeepWind, 19-20 January 2012

Occupational safety management in the offshore wind industry – status and challenges

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Objectives and approach

- Purpose:
 - Show an overview of unwanted occupational incidents in the industry
 - Discuss status of safety management requirements to ensure that accidents, hazards and vulnerabilities are either avoided or dealt with
 - Identify some topics for further research.
- Approach:
 - Review of current research literature and mass media articles
 - Presentations at the European Offshore Wind Health and Safety Conference 2011 and a session on health and safety at the EWEA offshore 2011 conference.
- Delimited to studying occupational safety, i.e. personal accident prevention

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NORWEGE

27.11.2009

Schwerer Unfall in Offshore-Windpark

Ein Arbeiter in einer Offshore-Windpark-Anlage mitten im Meer bei Borkum hat sich bei einem Sturz schwerste Verletzungen zugezogen. Ein Schiff der Seenotretter konnte ihn wegen zu hoher Wellen nicht bergen. Ein Marine-Hubschrauber half.



Alpha Ventus, 2010.

A worker was working at a height of 15 metres when a fuse box fell onto him, leading to an occupational accident. Due to high waves (up to 3 metres) it was not possible to rescue him by boat. A naval helicopter rescued the man by dropping a wire from 50 metres, in what was characterised as 'a spectacular manoeuvre'.

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Bard installation vessel back to work after accident

Bard's installation vessel, Wind Lill 1, is back on site at the Bard Offshore 1 project after being damaged in late May by a tumbling foundation.

"There were some minor repairs performed, but no major problems"

A 90-metre foundation tube fell back onto the deck while the vessel was installing the sixth of 80 tri-pile foundations to be sunk into the seabed at Bard Offshore 1 — Germany's first commercial wind farm in the North Sea.

RECHARGE, 2010

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Harwich: Tragedy at wind farm site

9:36am Friday 12th November 2009

By Andrea Collitt

A MAN has died and a woman has been injured after an accident on a vessel at a partly-constructed wind farm, 48 miles off Harwich.

It is thought the man was killed when a chain parted and he was struck on the vessel yesterday lunchtime. Last night an investigation was under way at the vessel, a tug boat, was moored at Parkenton Quay.

Niklaus Vijverman, police spokesman said: "Essex Police is liaising with its Dutch counterparts following an incident in the North Sea in which a man was killed."

"Officers were called shortly after 12:30pm following reports a man had died and a woman was injured following the incident, at the Gabbard Wind farm, approximately 48 miles off the Essex coast.

"A Filipino and Dutch crew were on board a Dutch-registered vessel.

"Essex Police is currently carrying out enquiries into the circumstances surrounding the incident."

Keith Churchman, Harwich RNLI spokesman, said the people were on board the tug vessel, Tycoon.

"It is believed a chain parted and that's what caused the fatality," he said.

He said the woman had sustained a minor cut to her head and was treated by the vessel's onboard paramedic.

A spokesperson for Scottish and Southern Energy, which is project managing the construction of the windfarm, said: "Greater Gabbard Offshore Windfarm Limited (GGOWFL) confirms there has been an incident on board a vessel in the North Sea operated by a sub-contractor working on the Greater Gabbard offshore wind farm."

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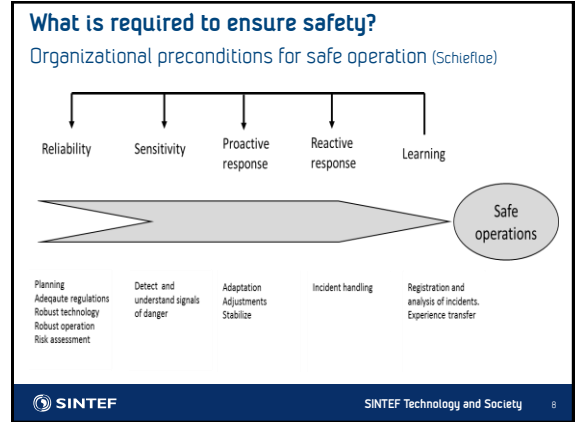
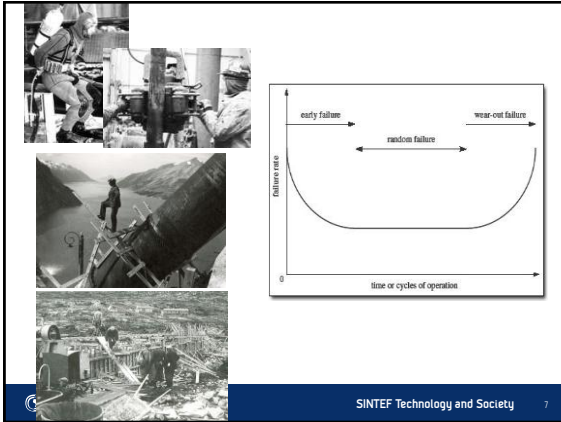
Accidents in the offshore wind industry (Tveiten et al., 2011)

- The most frequent types of events seem to be:
 - related to lifting operations and falling objects during the installation of offshore wind farms, including two fatal accidents in the UK.
 - related to operation of jack-up construction vessels. It is reported 14 accidents in the period 1999-2008.
 - related to working in height
 - related to falling or moving objects
- Includes some fatal injuries
- Includes several severe near accidents
- Based on overviews of mass media articles
 - amount of information is limited
 - dark figures must be assumed
- These accidents have not happened on deep water

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Organizational precondition: reliability

(organizational structures)

- No clear authority responsibility and regulations for offshore wind safety
- There seems to be no recognized standards and guidelines for safe operations of offshore wind
 - European standard EN 50306:2004 'Wind turbines: Protective measures. Requirements of design, operation and maintenance' The standard is being updated.
 - RenewableUK's best practice guideline for health and safety management
- For quantitative design risk assessments, there have been concerns related to moderate amount of input data to the assessments (frequency-oriented assessments)
- Change management - changes need to be addressed since they could change the preconditions of safety management plans and actions.
 - bigger components, taller towers, going further offshore, more powerful turbines, etc.
- Safety responsibilities and communication across life cycle phases and among different actors
- Training is an important part of preparing the organization to be reliable.
 - There is an initiative from the Global Wind Organization (GWO), consisting of 16 of the main actors in the offshore wind industry, that is working with a common training standards to be released in 2012. The basic training includes: first aid, manual handling, working at heights, fire awareness and offshore sea survival

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Organizational precondition: sensitivity

(monitoring and anticipation)

- Collisions with vessels involved seem to be one of the most probable incidents
 - surveillance systems to ensure safety of navigation
- Envelopes for installation, operation and maintenance are dependent on the weather conditions.
 - Both monitoring and anticipating wave heights and wind is essential to ensure safety of offshore workers.
 - What are the limits for using vessels for access and how is weather and wave height monitored?
- Remote monitoring seems necessary for wind farms far from shore as one wants to limit human presence in particular in bad weather conditions
 - e.g. use of robots for maintenance monitoring and work etc

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Organizational precondition: reactive response

(emergency preparedness and handling)

- Evacuating a sick or injured person from the nacelle may be challenging as ladders inside and outside the wind turbine tower
- Evacuating persons from wind turbines due to changed weather conditions may also be a challenge.
- Going further offshore implies that the farms could be beyond range of rescue boats.
 - Generally, use of helicopters close to an installation is risky
 - Use of a vessel may be a better solution, but is limited due to wave heights

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Learning from incidents

- It seems that neither the industry nor authorities systematically gather and analyze information about offshore wind farm incidents
 - one exception is RenewableUK who have established a reporting system.
- Information about failures as well as successes needs to be shared among actors in the industry.
 - Safety is not a trade secret; openness should be promoted to strengthen safety work for all actors in the industry.
- Offshore industry is not the first industry that experiences safety challenges in marine activities.
 - e.g. offshore oil and gas, marine operations and fish farming as well as onshore wind could improve offshore wind safety management

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Conclusions and further research

- Parts of this paper/presentation are based on a non-scientific material. The validity can thus be questioned
- The industry needs to show that they have control on HSE risks
- Several of the occupational safety challenges should be dealt with now, in early life cycle phases.

Further R&D activities:

- Experience transfer from other industries: offshore oil and gas; onshore wind; marine operations; fish farming. What are the success and failures in managing safety in these industries, and how does these relate to offshore wind? What is the relevance of these industries to offshore wind?
- Development and application of risk assessment methods that do not depend on historical incident frequency data
- Development and implementation of an industry system for incident reporting and learning
- Establish arenas for learning across organizations.
- Development of international standards/guidelines for occupational safety management that ensures a holistic approach in a life cycle perspective
- Identify regulatory requirements and type of regulation

Final remark

- Workshop on safety challenges and opportunities in the offshore wind industry to be arranged by NOWITECH in March- April
- If you are interested in participating: contact eirik.albrechtsen@sintef.no

Monitoring Offshore Wind Energy Use in Europe - Offshore~WMEP

ESTABLISHING A COMMON DATABASE FOR WIND TURBINE FAILURES



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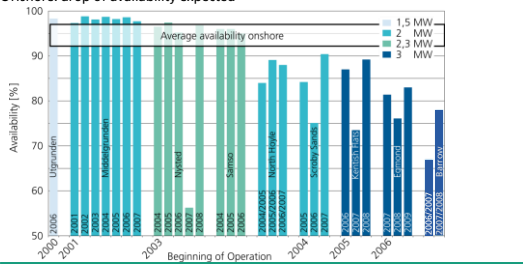
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 - WMEP
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 - Background
 - Different concepts
- Other activities
 - EVW-project
 - IEA-Task 33 "Reliability data"
- Conclusion & Outlook

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Introduction Motivation

Starting Point: Modern wind turbines achieve high availability
 Number of faults cause unplanned downtimes → high maintenance efforts and costs
 Offshore: drop of availability expected

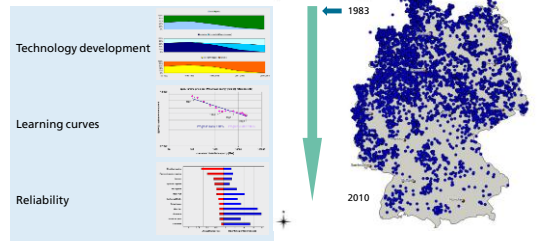


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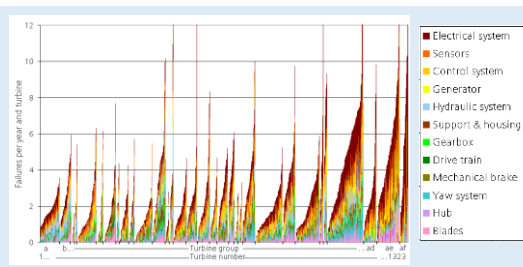
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 and 64.000 Incident reports
 from 1.500 wind turbines



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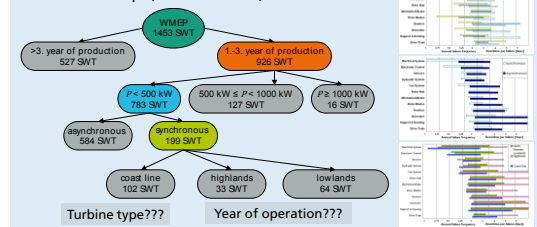


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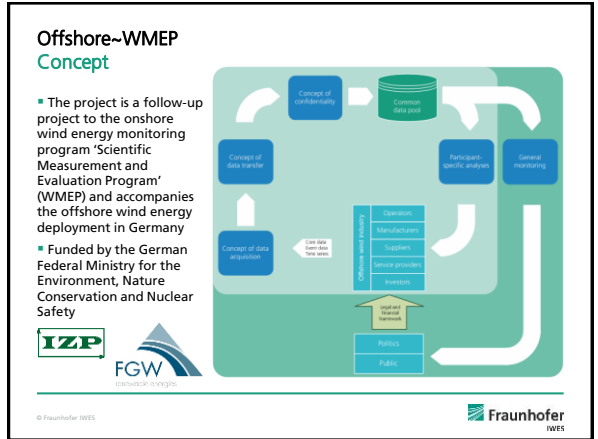
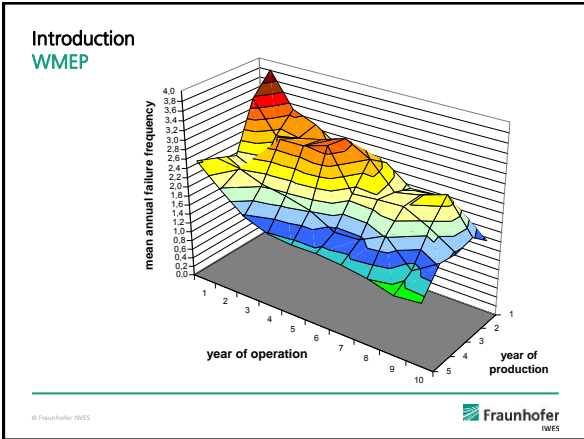
Introduction WMEP

For differential analysis distinctions regarding size, technical concepts, site conditions, etc. must be made



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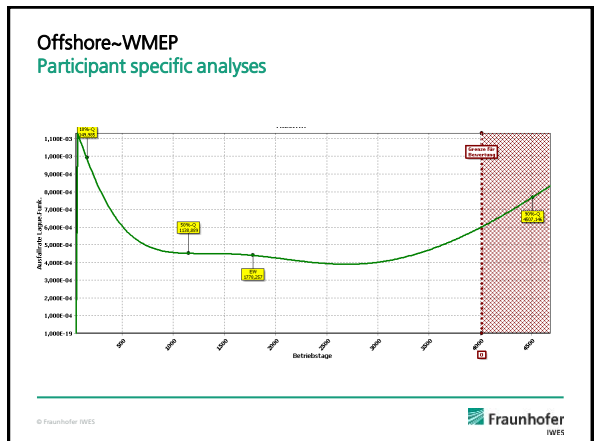
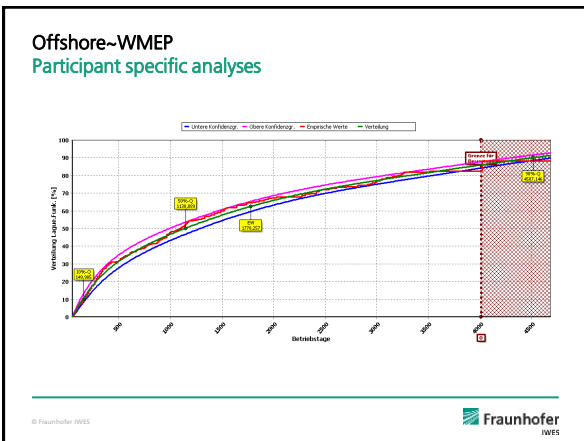
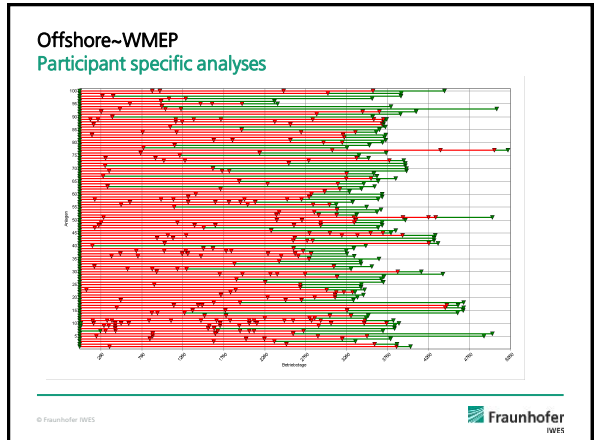


Offshore~WMEP General monitoring

- Core issues
 - Site-specific offshore conditions
 - Installation
 - Energy output
 - Reliability
 - Availability
 - Facility concepts
 - Operation and maintenance concepts
 - Investment and operating costs

The screenshot shows the WMEP monitoring software interface, displaying various data visualizations such as bar charts and line graphs, along with navigation menus and project information.

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Offshore-WMEP Participant specific analyses

Source: IZP Dresden

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Offshore-WMEP Concept of confidentiality

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Offshore-WMEP Concept of data acquisition

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Other activities EVW (Increasing availability of WT)

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Other activities EVW (Increasing availability of WT)

- Developing a test and demonstration system
- Preparing recommended practices for reliability based maintenance
- Technical guidelines / standards (Federation of German Windpower)
- Expand common database (onshore and offshore)

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Other activities 65th IEA Topical Expert Meeting TEM (IEA Wind Task 11) International statistical analysis on wind turbine failures

- TEM in Kassel / Germany, March 2011: 23 experts from Denmark, Finland, GB, Germany, Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, USA; (16 presentations)
- It was decided to launch a new IEA Wind Task on *Databases for Wind Turbine Failures*
- Task Proposal was prepared by Fraunhofer IWES in cooperation with SINTEF, NTNU and Chalmers University of Technology

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IEA Wind Task Proposal – Reliability Data Future work and key questions

- Priorities for future work defined at the TEM:
 - Standardization of the structure databases (DB)
 - Definition of subassemblies and failures
 - Level of detail of the DB
 - Confidentiality and access to the DB
 - Harmonization of data analysis
- Key questions:
 - Which data are to be collected?
 - What data are needed for the different analyses?
 - How to implement a system to collect information in an appropriate, structured, detailed and strongly automated way?

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IEA Wind Task Proposal – Reliability Data Objectives

The objectives of the proposed IEA Task are threefold:

1. Provide an international, open platform for regular and continuous exchange of experience and progress from individual research projects and existing activities on failure statistics on wind turbines.
2. Development of *Recommended Practices for Reliability Data* during the course of the Task.
3. Identify areas for further research and development as well as standardization needs.

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Conclusions & Outlook

- Potential for availability improvement and for reducing maintenance effort exists
- Common database needed due to parameter diversity
- Different concepts are necessary
 - Overall data structure
 - Standards and definitions
 - Accessibility of information
- Harmonization will take place in the new IEA-Task
- Offshore-WMEP is going from concept phase to the first implementation phase → database will be filled

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Thank you for your attention



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Business from technology

On Development of Condition Based Maintenance Strategy for Offshore Wind Farm: Requirement Elicitation Process

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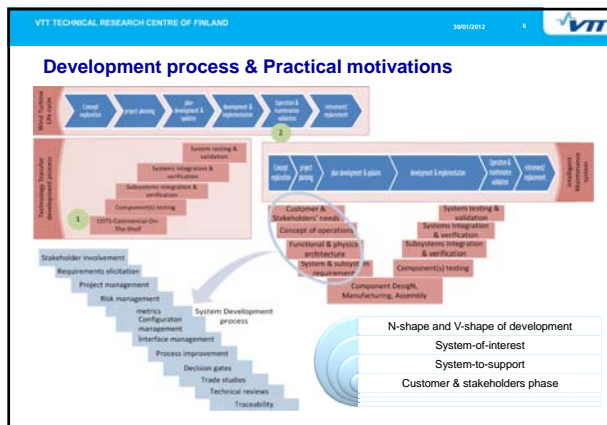
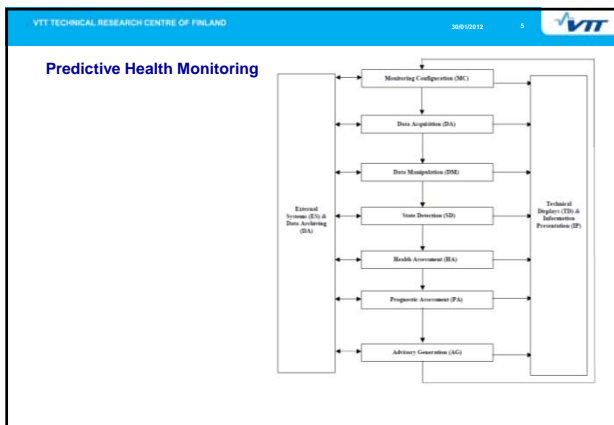
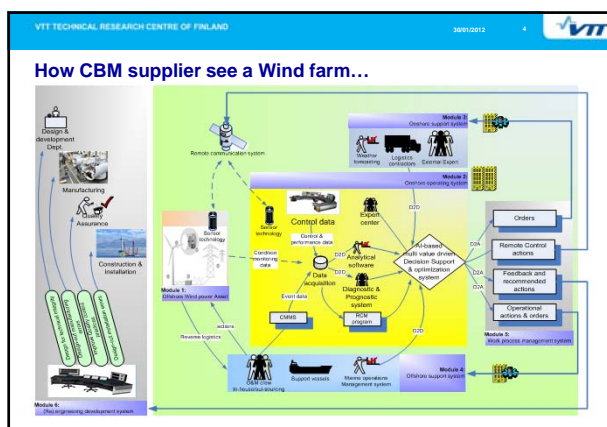
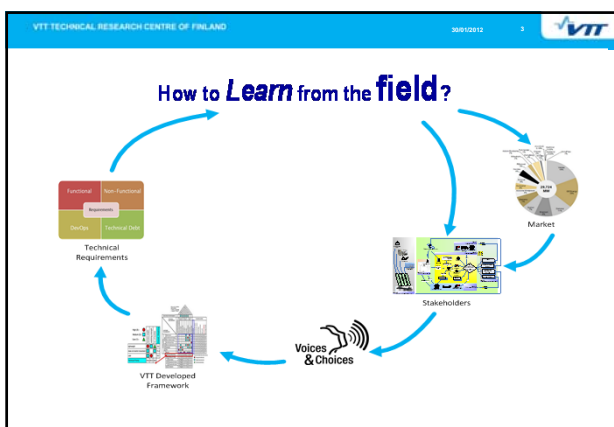
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Agenda

- Motivation
- Requirement engineering process
- Status of Academic contributions
- Status of industrial development
- Developed framework
- Need-Requirement transform matrix
- Empirical findings and extracted requirements
- Conclusions



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Challenges of Requirement Engineering Process

- life cycle processes and a number of stakeholders.
- similar or conflicted needs, different trade-off criteria or different level of importance.
- voices of current systems and image(s) of enhanced systems.
- doesn't usually describe the contexts and constraints, "requirement leakage".
- different writing styles or procedures to describe their needs.
- requirement descriptors are not unified or standardized, "requirement losses".
- Stakeholders describe where the problem ends. That is misleading and shifts the criticality within requirements from cause-root systems to effect-end systems.
- Not classified
- Not specific
- Creped, shifted or totally changed to handle such a rapid development process.
- Own prioritizing based on his subjective experience and within the limits of his solution.
- repetitive efforts whenever updating needed.

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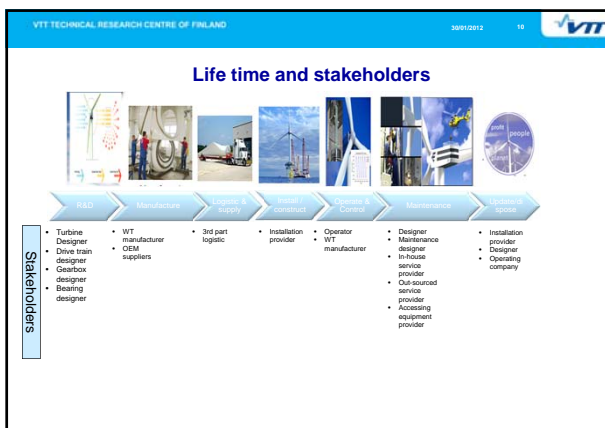
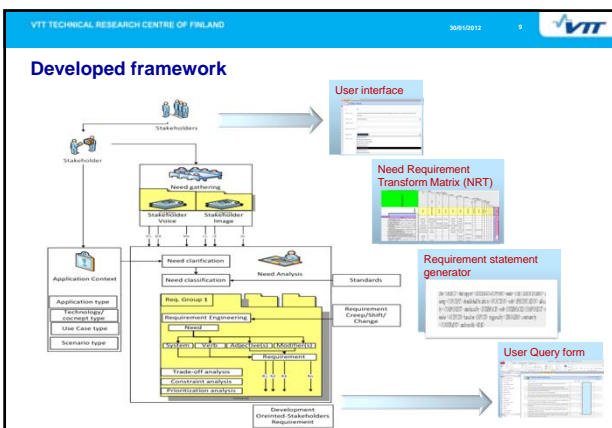
Status of Academic contributions

| No. | PHM sub-system | Contribution issues |
|-----|---|--|
| 1 | Data acquisition | Design, Integration, Simulation, Integration with SCADA |
| 2 | Data manipulation | Operational parameter classification, Electrical signal analysis |
| 3 | State detection | Incipient fault detection, Power signal analysis using DMD |
| 4 | Health assessment | ANN, BPNN, Markov modelling |
| 5 | Prognostic assessment | Residual lifetime estimation using system state distribution |
| 6 | Advisory generation | Maintenance Optimization |
| 7 | External systems and data archiving | X |
| 8 | Technical displays and information presentation | X |

Status of industrial development

More than 22 condition monitoring systems have developed and continuously enhanced for wind energy applications

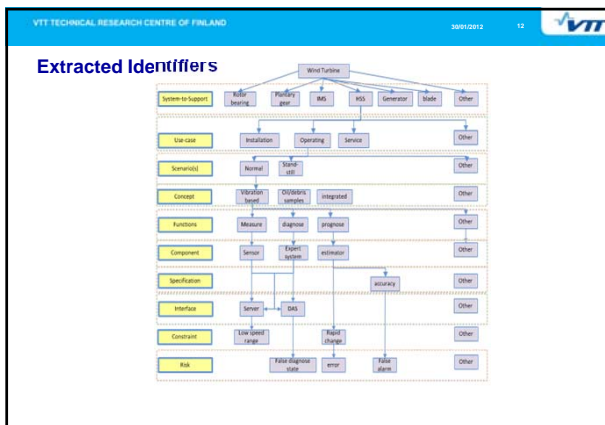
- the major innovation will be in terms of developing signal processing techniques;
- the industry noticed the needs and importance of monitoring operational parameters such as load, speed, etc.;
- The automation of condition monitoring and diagnostic tasks acquired by WT operators, specially, for large wind farms with large number of WT units, where manual inspection and data collection are not practical.



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Stakeholders...

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|----------------------------|----------------|------------------------|---|
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| 872 S&P Responder | Denmark | Navigation 1.0 | http://www.s-p-responder.com/Products/ConditionMonitoring/Products/ConditionMonitoring.htm |
| 873 SPM Instrument | Denmark | CMS | http://www.spm-instrument.com/Products/ConditionMonitoring/Products/ConditionMonitoring.htm |
| 869 Sonergy | Germany | CMS | http://www.sonergy.com/Products/ConditionMonitoring/Products/ConditionMonitoring.htm |



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Need-Requirement Transform Matrix

- (1) extract identifier(s)
- (2) construct related requirements;
- (3) classify requirements based on three levels (i.e. scope, high level and detailed level) and
- (4) assign the priority or importance of each requirement from different stakeholders' point of view.

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Requirement statement generator

The generic statement is as follows:

The <OBJECT> that support <SYSTEM-TO-SUPPORT> under <USE CASE/SCENARIO> and using <CONCEPT> should/shall be able to <FUNCTION> with <SPECIFICATION> allocated by <COMPONENT> interfaced by <INTERFACE> with <INTERFACED COMPONENT> that makes <OUTPUTS> based on <INPUTS> triggered by <TRIGGERS> constraint by <CONSTRAINT> and possible <RISK>

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Some of PHM stakeholders' needs

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Empirical findings and extracted requirements

| No. | PHM sub-system | # of Stakeholders |
|-----|--|-------------------|
| 1 | Data acquisition | 1 |
| 2 | Data manipulation | 8 |
| 3 | Data detection | 2 |
| 4 | Health assessment/Diagnostic | 0 |
| 5 | Prognostic assessment | 0 |
| 6 | Advisory generation | 3 |
| 7 | External system and data archiving | 10 |
| 8 | Technical display and information presentation | 5 |
| | Total | 32 |

High-level requirements (PHM Concept)

- Integrated PHM for whole wind turbine, drive train, gearbox stages
- Site and seasonal disturbances and their impact on monitoring profiles
- Failure, symptoms and monitoring techniques analysis for different failure modes

Detailed requirements

- Physical system to support: rotor bearings, planetary gear, electrical panels, ring gear, LSS and HSS shafts and their bearings.
- Measurements type: temperature, lubricant temperature, rpm, load, oil age, vibrations. Detector object: wear, abnormal shocks, low rotational vibration, early damage states, imbalance, misalignment, ice.
- Soring object: fault alarms, false alarms, damage alarms
- Data type: sampled signals, information, symptoms, and technicians' descriptors.
- Data processing: acquire, transfer, analyse, integrate, and visualize data
- Monitoring constraints: marginal conditions, glitching and rapid changes
- Data transfer: within turbine, within wind farm, with server, with service providers.
- Monitoring considerations: blade angle error, uneven rotor blade profile, blade damage, pitch error, external exciters, drive train misalignment, component scale, operational risks.
- Remote monitoring and acting: field balancing, alignment, lubrication interpretations
- Use cases and monitoring scenarios: stand still, idling, normal operating, extreme operating, braking, cut-off, etc.
- Specifications: scalability, time to response, integrity, user friendly, adaptive, remoteness, analysis performance, reporting performance, sampling intervals, allocation sensitivity, Mean time between failure, mean time to repair/replace, accuracy of detection, diagnosis, prognosis, data security.

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Pros & Cons

- It grantee consider the whole life cycle stakeholders and not just one type or specific stakeholders
- It provide traceable relation between stakeholders and their needs
- It provide better requirements documentation and elicitation in order to avoid manual, incomplete, unclear and repeated data errors...
- It gives option for continuously updating the stakeholder needs

- Since wind energy quite new, thus, the stakeholder requirements will be important but not sufficient for define Strategic research demand
- Due to industrial stereotype, the industrial stakeholders have quite short strategic window
- Due to competitive market, the stakeholder will not completely provide their needs
- There are complex need conflicts, that required trade-off and balancing analysis
- Due to the rapid scaling up and development within wind energy sector, what is defined as 'need' today, it will be 'excellence' tomorrow and 'new generation' of needs will appear...

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Conclusions 1(2)

- Requirement engineering process is more complicated in wind energy sector than other sectors due to a number of issues related to the scale of wind turbines, involvement of transfer technologies, number of relevant stakeholders, conflicts and trade-off criteria, responsibilities, and lack of standards.
- Thus, the extracted requirements could be ambiguous, incomplete, unverifiable, inconsistent, untraceable, and ill-prioritized, that tend to lead the further product development processes have more pitfalls.
- On basis of the state of the art study the academic contributions and research efforts are focused on shifting different techniques that have been successfully implemented in other industrial sectors as artificial intelligence.
- The expectation is to focus on an integrated monitoring system such as the stakeholders are talking about.

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Conclusions 2(2)

- **Remoteness and number of monitored turbines** are two points making wind turbines more complicated and highlight the need of innovative technology enabling PHM systems.
- The extracted requirements highlight a number of development issues such as **concepts, functions, specifications, and components**.
- stakeholders have more **short term needs**, which means that they much more focus on monitoring enhancement and less on diagnostic and prognostic development.
- needs are more focused on **technical and detailed issues**.
- In this context the developed framework shows helpful features that could systemize, verify and validate the requirements from different perspectives taking into consideration the
 - **business conflicts,**
 - **overlapping,**
 - **trade-off criteria and other**
 - **subjective issues** due to the involvement of human organizational factors

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PHM Challenges within Wind energy sector

Physical challenge
-large scale system
-Wear propagation process
-Lubrication effect

Operational challenge
-stochastic loading patterns
-operating conditions
-Use case-scenarios (operate, control, Monitor, service, etc)

Functional challenge
-Data acquisition
-Signal processing
-Diagnosis
-Prognosis
-Integrity & interoperability

Business challenge
-contract development
-organizational stereotype
-KPI's

Advanced level of PHM system effectiveness "Quality of Service"

what is defined as 'need' today, it will be 'excellence' tomorrow and 'new generation' of needs will appear...

Keep updating yourself@

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Integrated Research levels

Wear & Surface deterioration modelling

Stochastic loading & Lubrication modelling

Condition Monitoring & signal processing integrity

Automatic Diagnostic Capability

Prognostic Capability

PHM integrity & interoperability

Semi-automated Maintenance

Legend:
 - 1st Level of Understanding / 2015 (Blue line)
 - 2nd Level of Understanding / 2020 (Red line)
 - 3rd Level of Understanding / 2030 (Green line)

VTT creates business from technology

AERTOs Project reports are available:

1. Offshore Wind farm Monitoring and Operation: Strategic Research Agenda
2. Predictive Health Monitoring: State-of-the-art

Hywind: Two years in operation, what have we learnt and where are we going?

Deep Sea Offshore Wind R&D Seminar
19th January 2012



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Content

- Offshore Wind Operation
- Hywind Demo
- Project opportunities

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Principles for a Low Risk Operating Model

Maintenance is one of the largest controllable operating costs in capital intensive industries
Maintenance influence: Commercial risk; Production; Safety; Cost

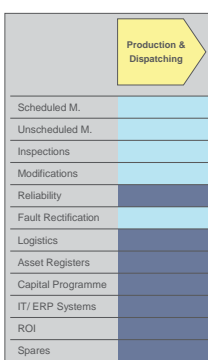
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| Organisation | Contractual obligation must reflect organisational capabilities for both OEM's and Owner Both parties must recognize each others capabilities |
| Technology | Asset owner must take responsibility for technical integrity and increase internal knowhow of the systems |
| Cooperation | Force lean thinking, zero scrap and component reliability on the suppliers through new standards both in production and operation |
| OEM's | Work should be carried out in accordance with recognised standards with transparency at all levels Owner should have an active retrofit program |

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... will be used to develop a modern operating model for wind O&M

- Critical Processes**
Critical processes in control means good stability
- Best Practice Work Processes**
Controlling the value chain through best practice work processes
- Performance Management**
Structured measures on all levels increase performance
- Organisational Development**
Lean organisational structure based on principles in integrated operations
- Decision Structure**
Effective meeting structure for better and transparent decisions

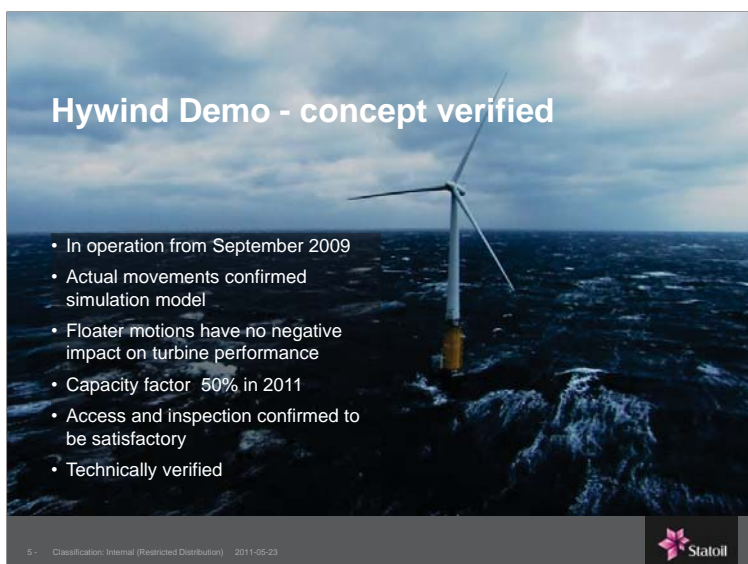


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Hywind Demo - concept verified

- In operation from September 2009
- Actual movements confirmed simulation model
- Floater motions have no negative impact on turbine performance
- Capacity factor 50% in 2011
- Access and inspection confirmed to be satisfactory
- Technically verified



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Hywind Performance


Downtime [hr]

Production [GWh] November - November

Availability % / Cap. Fact%

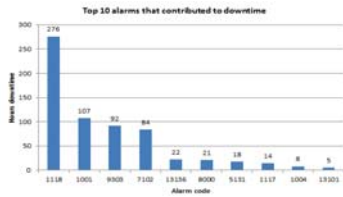
- Reduction of downtime with 1870 hr by better planning and quicker response
- Only one unscheduled stop in second operational year
- 50% production increase
- Average wind speed
 - 2nd year was 9,1 m/s, 3% below normal
 - 1st year was 12% below normal
- Overall availability 94,5 %
- Capacity factor at 47,3%
 - 4390 full load hours for 2011 (average in Norway ~2100)

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Downtime

November 2010 – November 2011

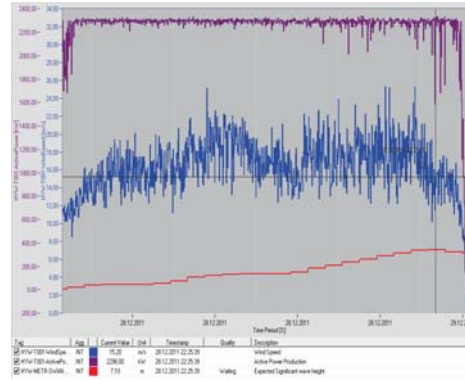


- Vibration alarm was eliminated in Mars 2010, through effective root cause analysis
- Manuel stop is decided by owner and can be minimised by preventive maintenance
- The two other major losses left are related to increased pitching at extreme wave and wind conditions. Better cooling system will be installed to eliminate the loss.

| Alarmcode | Alarm text | Alarm type |
|-----------|-------------------------------|------------|
| 1118 | Vibrations alarm by GS R14 | 1 |
| 1001 | Manual stop | 1 |
| 9303 | Strainpressure too low | 1 |
| 7102 | Hyd oil temperature error | 1 |
| 13136 | Timeout DC-circuit charging | 1 |
| 8000 | Windspeed too high to operate | 0 |
| 5111 | Too many FRT activations | 0 |
| 1117 | Vibrations alarm by GS R13 | 1 |
| 1004 | External stop | 0 |
| 13101 | Generator inverter tripped | 1 |



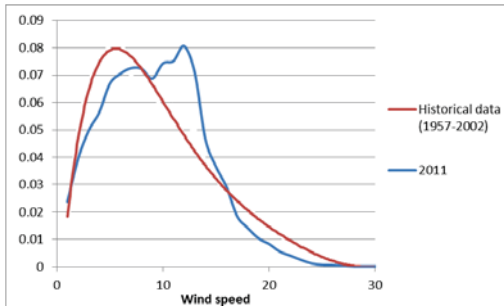
Production in heavy seas



- 24 hour trendperiode during the «Dagmar» storm last Christmas.
- Avg. wind speed: 16 m/s
- Max wind speed: 28 m/s
- Avg. significant wave height: 4,7 m
- Max significant wave height: 7,1 m
- Power production for the periode: 96,7% of rated power.



Wind distribution. 2011 compared to histcast



FOCUS ON HEALTH AND SAFETY (HSE)

- Same HSE standard as on all Statoil installations
- Focus on:
 - Work permit system
 - Boat landing, access, egress and PPE
 - Lifting equipment
- No serious accidents
- Mitigating actions:
 - Hands-on follow-up of Statoil and Siemens equipment and procedure
 - Safety Job Analyses
 - Table top workshops - Defined situations of hazards and accidents (DSHA)
 - Safety training of personnel on-board Hywind



Rescue from hub – use of milan and 2 metre rope



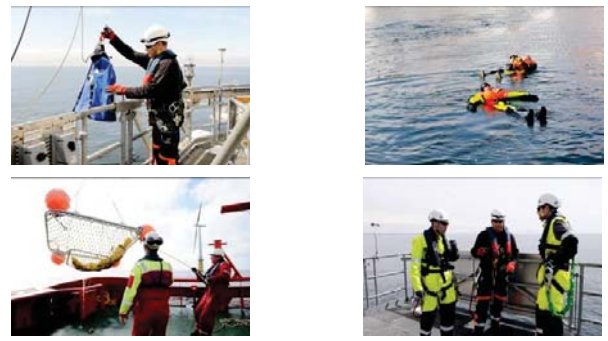
Rescue from nacelle – outside tower



Rescue outside



Other HSE activities at Hywind in June

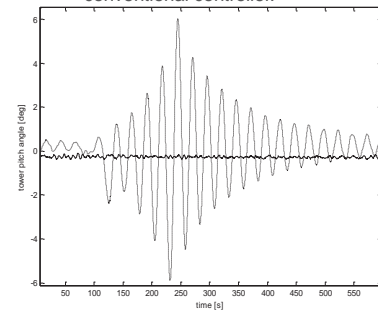


Observations and ideas - rescue from nacelle

- Inside rescue – challenges related to confined spaces and many movements of injured person
- Outside rescue – faster and easier due to less movements
- Attach Milan rescue kit to injured when possible
- Possible rescue time can be less than 1 hour for outside rescue
- Time from nacelle to boat based on speed with Milan Hub rescue is about 1:30min
- Frequent training and exercises will reduce the rescue time
- Helicopter rescue will reduce transport time to hospital but not necessarily rescue time from nacelle
- Enable training on rescue tools, i.e. use of Milan rescue kit and fall arresters
- Develop training packages together with service provider
- Use Hywind for training purposes

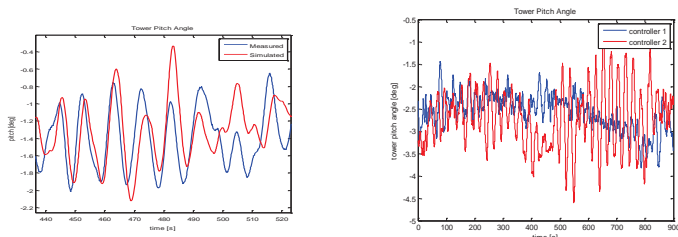
Conventional Wind Turbine Control System

- Example of stable (solid line) and unstable (dashed line) behaviour of Hywind Demo with and without use of a stabilizing floater motion controller.
- Hywind Demo was shut down after 250 seconds with use of the unstable conventional controller.



Verification of our structural load model

- The models simulate the motions and the structural loads which we control with different regulators
- We have tested two regulators working differently towards the structural loads and which have been used as important components in the cost and design optimization

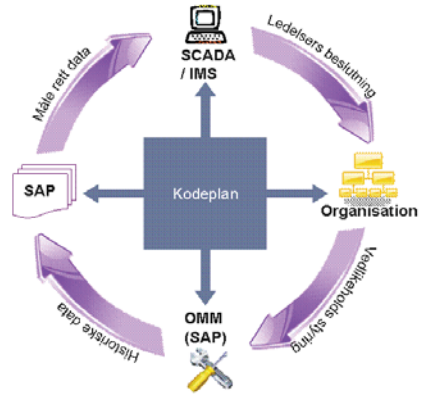
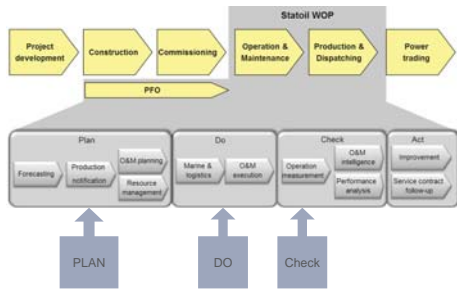


Conclusions

- It is demonstrated that a stabilizing floater motion controller is required for a floating wind turbine.
- Simulations and measurements are compared for wind speeds above rated wind speed. Good agreement is obtained in small as well as moderate sea states.
- Two different stabilizing controllers are compared by full scale testing. A significant difference in the response at resonance is observed. This difference is important to the fatigue life of the tower.
- The range of variation of typical wind turbine parameters like rotor speed, blade pitch angle and active power production are similar to what is observed for fixed foundation wind turbines.

Interfaces to Bringing Cost of Offshore Wind Down

| | |
|--------------|--|
| Plan | BCOWD Activities Codification RDS-PP FMECA RCM Reliability Database OPEX Calculation tool Condition Monitoring Analyses Access Criteria Vessel Planning |
| Do | BCOWD Activities Remote Operation Condition Based Maintenance Vessel Operation Access Criteria New lift solution |
| Check | BCOWD Activities Reliability data analyses Condition monitoring Analyses |



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Roadmap going forward

- The technical concept is considered proven
 - Establish pilot parks to demonstrate cost reductions, reduce risks and increase market pull (<5 years)
 - Large parks 500-1000MW is the end game objective (<10 years)
- ➔ **Industry engagement and support from governments is driving the timelines**



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Hywind II Pilot Parks under evaluation

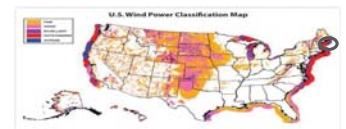
Scotland

- Base Case 15 MW:
 - Capacity factor 44%, wind speed 9.7 m/s
- Water depths:
 - Transfer from 60 m
 - Installation from 100 m
- Preferred location at Buchan Deep 20 -25 km outside Peterhead
- Production start-up earliest 2015
- Substantial cost improvements since demo



USA

- Base Case 12 MW:
 - Capacity factor 39%, wind speed 9 m/s
- Water depths:
 - Installation at 120 m
- Preferred location in Bay of Maine 20 -25 km outside Boothbay
- Production start earliest 2016
- Substantial cost improvements since demo

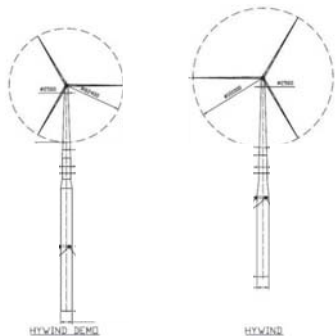


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Way forward

- Next step is to commercially prove the concept at sites with good market, wind and support conditions
- US Maine and Scotland most mature cases
- Assessing other areas as technology supplier or future park developer



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E Installation & sub-structures

Monobuckets and the competitiveness versus monopiles and jacket structures,
Prof Lars Bo Ibsen, Aalborg University

Feasibility of Application of Spar-type Wind Turbine in a Moderate Water
Depth, Madjid Karimirad, Post Doc, NTNU

Effects of Hydrodynamic Modelling in Fully Coupled Simulations of a Semi-
submersible Wind Turbine, Marit I. Kvittem, PhD stud, NTNU



Improving pile foundation models for use in bottom-fixed offshore wind
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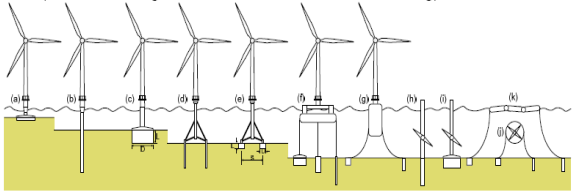

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- Foundation concepts for offshore Wind Turbines
- The Universal Foundation
- Carbon Trust Foundation Competition
- Conclusion




Structural and foundation for Wind Turbines but also applicable to other offshore renewable

Cost of energy

Foundation concepts for offshore Wind Turbines Shallow depth 5-10m

- Gravity based
 - Fabrication/material costs are low (concrete)
 - Limited water depths (5-10m)
 - Possible to float out
 - Vulnerable to soft soil – erosion & scour
 - Sea bed preparation necessary
 - Ice-cone usually integrated in design

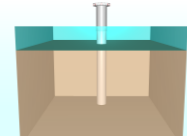
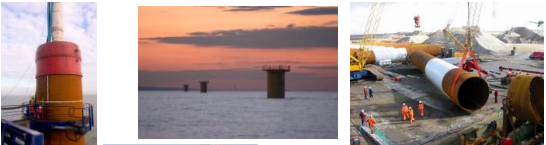






Presently installing the "Redsand-project"



Foundation concepts for offshore Wind Turbines Shallow depth 10-30m

- Mono piles
 - 75% of all wind parks today
 - Simple fabrication with welded steel pile
 - No preparations of the seabed are necessary.
 - Requires heavy duty piling/drilling equipment
 - Not suitable for locations with many large boulders in the seabed.

Noise

- The recommended requirements of maximum: 160 dB SEL and 190 dB Peak for underwater pile driving noise levels.
- So far, Germany is the only country having ratified the legislation, but the remaining EU countries are expected to follow Germany's example.






Foundation concepts for offshore Wind Turbines Depth 30-60m

- Jackets and Tripod
 - Suitable for larger water depths.
 - Minimum of preparations are required at the site before installation
 - Complex welded main structure
 - Known technology from oil & gas industry

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Foundation concepts for offshore Wind Turbines Depth 30-60m

Tripod

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Offshore wind turbine foundations

The flexibility of the bucket foundation gives wider range of application.

Sites with complex geotechnical properties can be covered by a single foundation concept

Platform | Bucket | Mono pile | Tripod/jacket

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The Bucket foundation

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Universal foundation solutions

Variation in water depth 0 - 60 m

Variation in seabed properties
Harder clay, soft clay, sand, silt

Harder soil | Softer soil

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Vision for Installation in 2001

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Universal Foundations - Concept IP Holder

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Transport / Installation

- **Buoyant** horizontal wet tow/ **vertical a/o horizontal** on jack-up or crane ship / **purpose build** vessel
- **Snap-on pump** unit interfacing the lid
- The structure is **upended** by ballast water or by crane
- Crane is hooked on to stabilize **touch down**
- After initial penetration, **suction** is applied
- Installation is finalized by void filling by injecting **cement slurry** under the lid if needed.

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Reference 1: Pos. 1-Frederikshavn in operation 9 years

The $\varnothing 12 \times 6$ m prototype bucket foundation was designed for a Vestas V90 3MW turbine placed on 4 m of water. The design is certified by DNV. The bucket was installed in late 2002 and is in normal operation. The structure/soil interaction has been investigated with sophisticated modal analyse equipment.

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The rotation of the bucket is scaled by a factor = 20

depth (m)

d_u [kPa]

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The bucket foundation technology

Installation advantages:

- **Minimum noise impact.** No pile driving hammers or drill drives are used
- **No grouted connections**
- **Minimum disturbance** to the existing seabed
- The use of excess material for **scour protection** is reduced or not necessary
- All steel materials can be recovered from the seabed and **reused / recycled** when the foundation is decommissioned

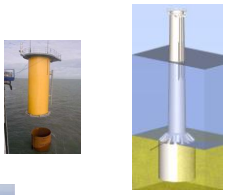


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Monobuckets - competitiveness versus Monopiles

- **Reduced steel consumption**
- Use of **simple geometric** welded steel structures **suitable for mass production**
- **Few offshore operations**, with utilizing smaller equipment/vessels during installation
- **No seabed preparation** and **no** or reduced need for **scour protection**
- **No transition piece** - Adjusting the upper part of the shaft to fit the **standard wind turbine tower**.
- **Simple decommissioning**
- **Cost is reduction 20%**.

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Reference 2: The Mobile Met Mast Horns Rev II 2009

"The Mobile Met Mast" is a prototype of a bucket foundation designed as support structure for a met-mast.

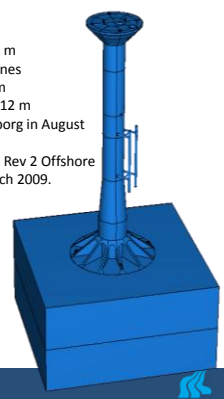

Purpose:

- To gain **confidence** that a monopod bucket foundation can be successfully installed offshore.
- To obtain a **movable met-mast**, which can be used in several offshore wind farms.

Specification




- Total height: 34 m
- Weight: 165 tones
- Skirt length: 6 m
- Skirt diameter: 12 m

Fabricated in Aalborg in August 2008.
Installed at Horns Rev 2 Offshore wind farm in March 2009.

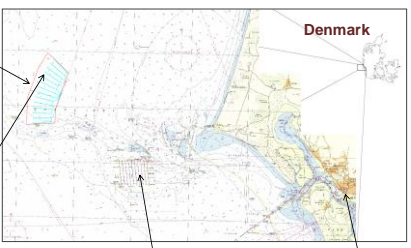
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Launching

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Site for installation



Horns Rev 2

Wind turbines:


- 91 Siemens 2.3MW
- 200 MW

Scheduled installation:

- - 2008: Foundations
- - 2009: Turbines

The Mobile Met Mast




- 3 installation tests were planned at different locations, (depending on weather)
- Was only installed on the final location.
- No data from CPT or borings are available (yet)



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Float out to site

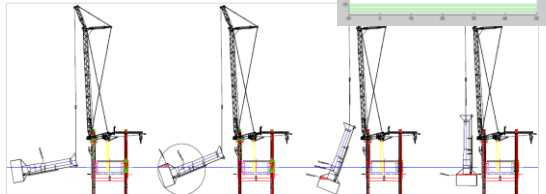
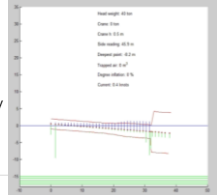

- Floated to site using 2 tug boats
- 40 m³ water was pumped into the head of the Mobile Met Mast to ensure a horizontal orientation when floating.

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Up-ending procedure

- Up-ended with M/S SeaPower by A2SEA.
- The lift was performed with a heave-compensator.
- Inflation/deflation of air to the bucket skirt was necessary during up-ending
- Water depth (15 m) was close to the lower limit – only 1 meter water below skirt during up-ending.

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The Mobile Met Mast Offshore installation Horns Rev II 2009

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Installation

- A penetration velocity of **2 m/hour**.
- Tilt after 2.5 m penetration.
- At 4 m penetration, the process was reversed until 3 m penetration, and suction process reengaged
- The foundation was successfully installed with a **0.1 degree** inclination out of vertical.

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Offshore Wind Accelerator is a collaboration to reduce costs

Objective: Reduce cost of energy by 10% through RD&D

Original partnership

- 5 developers + Carbon Trust**
 - 46% of licensed capacity in UK waters (~22GW)
- Initially 1.5 year commitment**
 - Launched Oct 2008
- Focusing on identifying and developing technologies for**
 - Round 2 extensions
 - Round 3
 - Scottish Territorial Waters
- Total budget of £1.5m for collaborative R&D**

Source: Carbon Trust

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Stage I

Stage II

Phase 0: Basic research TRL 1-3

Phase 1: Feasibility studies and design TRL 3-5

Phase 1.5: Testing components or sub-scale development TRL 4-6

Phase 2: Prototype demonstration TRL 6-7

Partner proposals

Programme selection & negotiation

■ Common
■ Discretionary

Note: TRL is "Technology Readiness Level"

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OWA focuses on strengthening economics of offshore wind

Stage I (Oct '08 to Apr '10) examined four technical areas

Offshore wind returns

CAPEX

OPEX

Yield

Foundations

Access

Electrical systems

Wake effects

Financing costs

Four technology areas, selected on basis of detailed analysis of over 70 technical barriers

Source: Carbon Trust

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Foundations vision: Reduce cost of deeper water foundations

- To demonstrate new, lower-cost foundation designs
 - For 30-60m depths expected in late Round 2 & Round 3
- To reduce lifecycle cost of foundations by 30%
 - TDC target £0.4-0.6m/MW
- To stimulate the supply chain
 - Particularly in volume manufacturing and installation
 - To provide more competition and flexibility in the market

Offshore wind CAPEX breakdown

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Development & consent

Electrical

Integrated support structure

Production, Installation & commissioning

Turbine

Foundations and installation

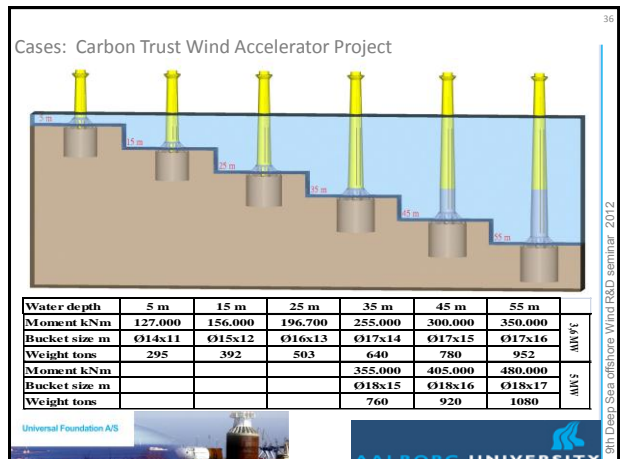
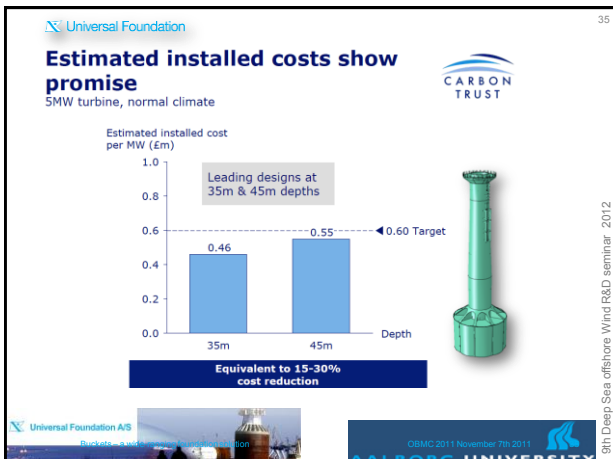
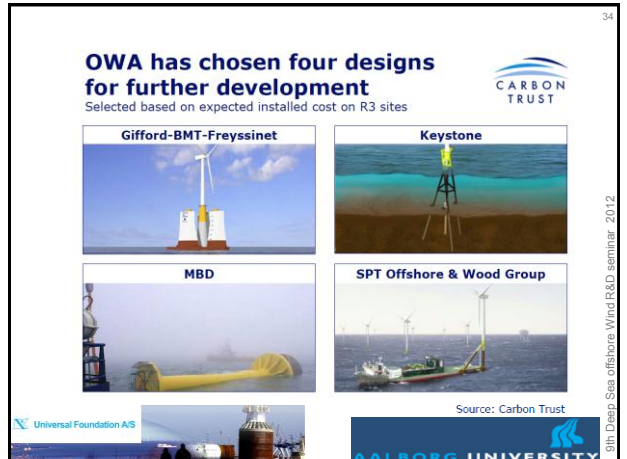
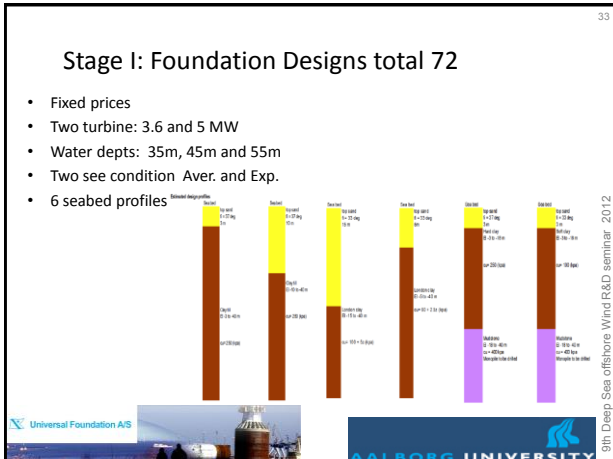
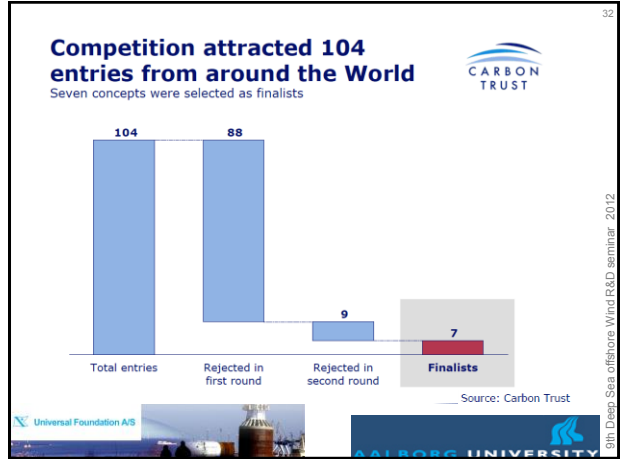
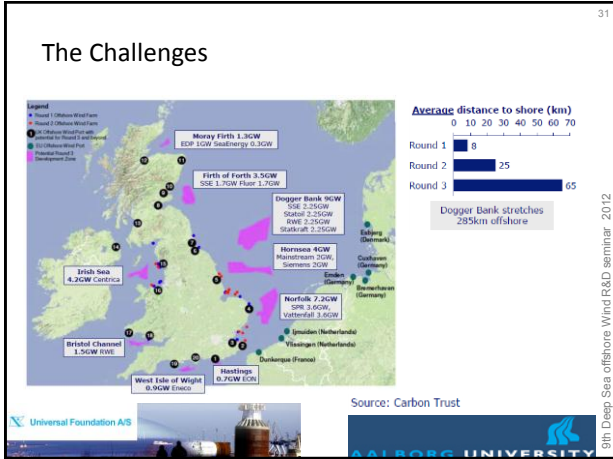
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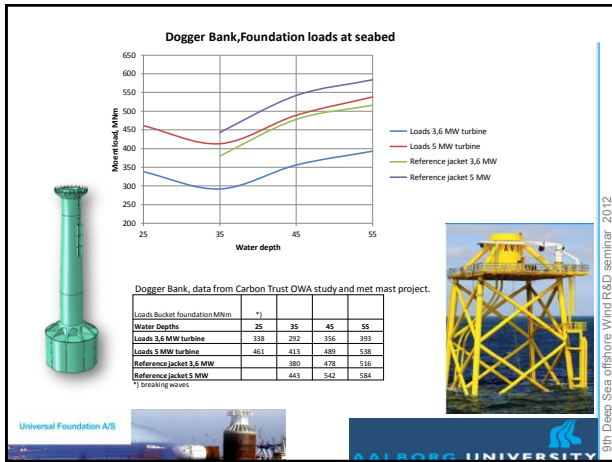
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Comparison of Foundation Types

Basis of Comparison - Tenders for Manufacture of 80 No. Foundations

| Foundation Type | Steel Weight (Gross) each | Cost % comparison |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| Tripod | 1453 | 1.00 |
| 3-Leg Jacket | 1394 | 0.96 |
| 4-Leg Lightweight Jacket | 1170 | 0.84 |
| Universal Foundation | 992 | 0.50 |

Comments: Note to balance the cost, Insurance, Bonds and Guarantees have been removed, where appropriate, as these were not applied equally to all tenders. Where service cranes were required to certain types, these have been removed. Load out and transportation has been removed, where appropriate.

Installation cost of 100 foundations incl. of turbine installation

Carbon Trust installation derisk study

| | A2SEA | DEME | Technip |
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| Buckets | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Ref jacket | 128 | 162 | 149 |

We are now launching Offshore Wind Accelerator Stage II

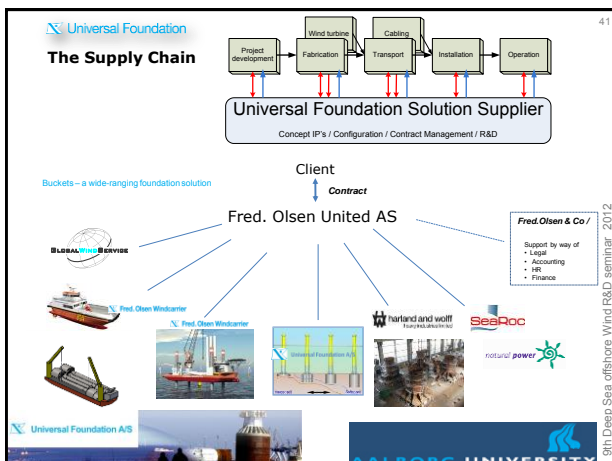
Objective: Reduce cost of energy by 10% through RD&D

Original partnership

New partners

- > 4-year commitment
- > Two new developers
 - Statkraft
 - Mainstream Renewable Power
- > 56% of licensed capacity in UK waters (~27GW)
- > Total budget of £10m for collaborative R&D
- > Up to £30m of demonstration projects

Source: Carbon Trust



Conclusion

Monobuckets - competitiveness versus Monopiles

- Reduced steel consumption compared.
- Few offshore operations, with utilizing smaller equipment/vessels during installation.
- No seabed preparation and no or reduced need for scour protection.
- No transition piece - Adjusting the upper part of the shaft to fit the standard wind turbine tower.
- Simple decommissioning.
- Reduces cost of energy by reducing foundation cost by 20%

Monobuckets - competitiveness versus Jackets

- **Reduced steel** consumption compared to any other substructure solution.
- Use of **simple geometric** welded steel structures **suitable for mass production**.
- **Few offshore operations**, with utilizing smaller equipment/vessels during installation.
- **No seabed preparation** and **no** or reduced need for **scour protection**.
- **No transition piece** - Adjusting the upper part of the shaft to fit the **standard wind turbine tower**.
- **Simple** decommissioning.
- **Cost reduction 30-50%**.

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Feasibility of Application of a Spar-type Wind Turbine at a Moderate Water Depth

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Outline

- Introduction
- Case studies
 - Wave only
 - Wave- and wind-induced cases
- Remarks and conclusions

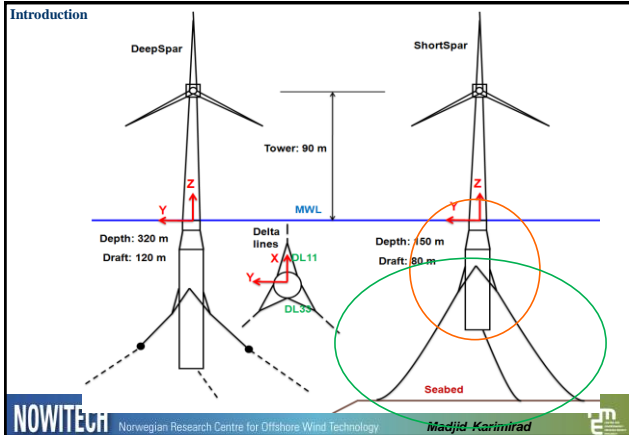
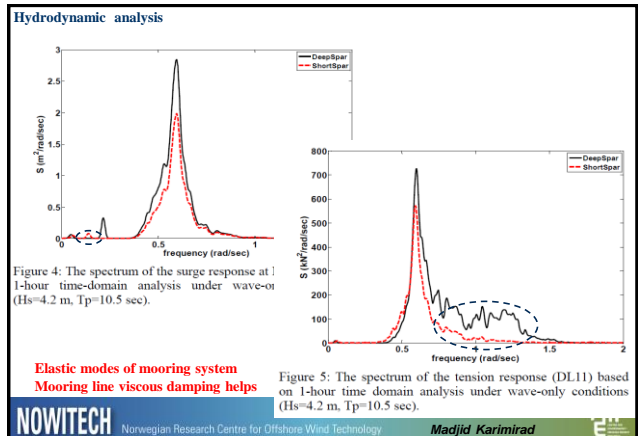
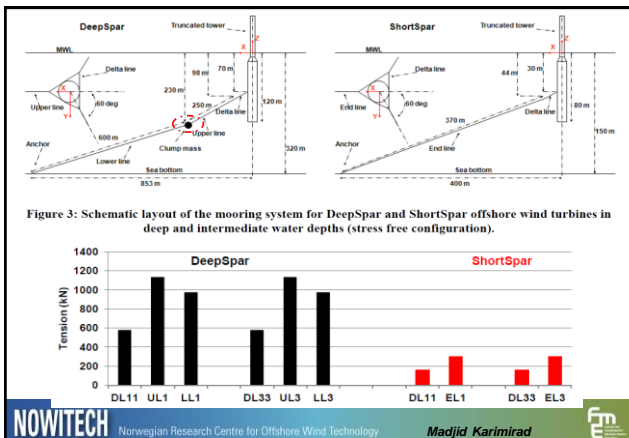


Table 2: Properties of the DeepSpar and ShortSpar offshore wind turbines.

| Item | DeepSpar | ShortSpar |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Turbine | NREL 5-MW | NREL 5-MW |
| Water depth (m) | 320 | 150 |
| Draft (m) | 120 | 80 |
| Displacement (m ³) | 8016 | 5245 |
| Centre of buoyancy (m) | -62 | -42 |
| Diameter at MWL (m) | 6.5 | 6.5 |
| Diameter at bottom (m) | 9.4 | 9.4 |
| Mass (ton) | 8216 | 5376 |
| Centre of gravity ¹ (m) | -78.5 | -47.3 |
| Mass moment of inertia, I _{xx} and I _{yy} (ton*m ²) | 69.84 E+6 | 24.47 E+6 |
| Mass moment of inertia, I _{zz} (ton*m ²) | 16.78 E+4 | 77.62 E+3 |
| Fairlead elevation (m) | -70 | -30 |

GM, stability

1) Center of gravity of the floating wind turbine, including the rotor, nacelle, tower and spar (steel weight and ballast).



Elastic modes of mooring system
 Mooring line viscous damping helps

Wave only

Table 5: The means and standard deviations (STD) of the responses for DeepSpar and ShortSpar under wave-only conditions (Hs=4.2 m, Tp=10.5 sec).

| Response | DeepSpar | | ShortSpar | |
|--------------------|----------|------|-----------|------|
| | Mean* | STD | Mean* | STD |
| Surge (m) | 0.0 | 0.59 | 0.0 | 0.49 |
| Pitch (deg) | 0.0 | 0.31 | 0.0 | 0.24 |
| Heave (m) | 0.0 | 0.10 | 0.0 | 0.14 |
| Tension, DL11 (kN) | 579 | 12 | 160 | 9 |
| Tension, DL33 (kN) | 579 | 10 | 160 | 4 |

* For the wave only case (without wind), the mean values of the motion and tension responses are close to those of static values. The mean values of the tension are close to those of the pretension (Figure 3).

In general, the motion and tension responses of ShortSpar and DeepSpar are similar. Sometimes, it is smaller for ShortSpar? **Why?**

ShortSpar is subjected to wave loads with a similar order of magnitude because the main contribution to the wave loads comes from the upper part of the spar;

the lower part of the spar is not significantly affected because the wave kinematics die out far below the water's surface.

$P = P_s + P_D$
 $P = P_s + P_D'$

$\frac{\rho}{2} C_d D |u_r| u_r$
 $+\rho \frac{\pi D^2}{4} C_m \dot{u}_r$

Pressure integration & Morison formula

The heave and pitch motions are mainly dominated by the heave and pitch resonant responses, respectively.

The resonant responses of DeepSpar and ShortSpar have the same order of magnitude. **Almost same hydro-damping**

The wave frequency of the heave response is higher for ShortSpar because it has a smaller draft and its bottom experiences more wave loads and it weighs less.

Wave- and wind-induced

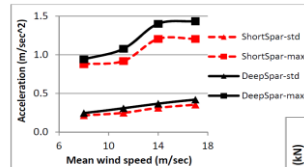


Figure 7: The statistical characteristics of the horizontal acceleration at the top of the tower (the surge direction) for DeepSpar and ShortSpar. The mean wind speed refers to the load cases in Table 4 and the corresponding environmental conditions (waves and steady wind).

In general, the standard deviations of the responses are similar for the two spars

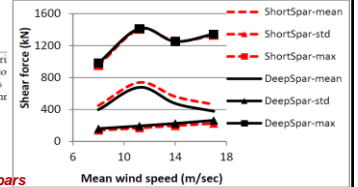


Figure 11: The statistical characteristics of the shear force at the tower/spar interface for DeepSpar and ShortSpar. The mean wind speed refers to the load cases in Table 4 and the corresponding environmental conditions (waves and steady wind).

Karimirad and Moan (ASCE) have shown that the standard deviations of the responses are mainly wave-induced, while the means of the responses are wind-induced.

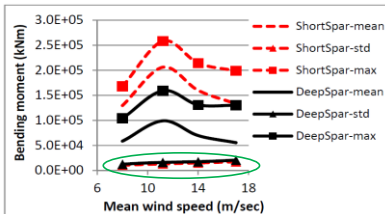


Figure 10: The statistical characteristics of the bending moment at the tower/spar interface for DeepSpar and ShortSpar. The mean wind speed refers to the load cases in Table 4 and the corresponding environmental conditions (waves and steady wind).

The means of the nacelle surge motion and bending moment are increased because of the increased tilt, and consequently increased bending moment due to the gravitational effects

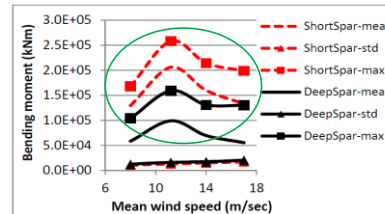


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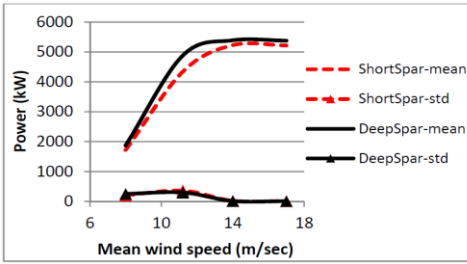


Figure 8: The statistical characteristics of the power generated by DeepSpar and ShortSpar. The mean wind speed refers to the load cases in Table 4 and the corresponding environmental conditions (waves and steady wind).

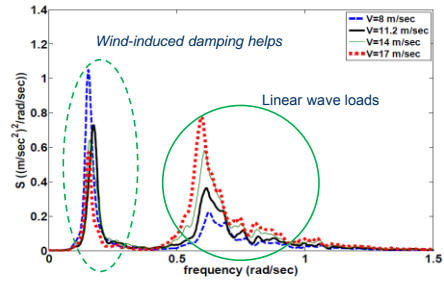


Figure 14: The spectra of the acceleration at the top of the tower (in the surge direction) based on 1-hour time domain analysis for ShortSpar. The mean wind speed (V) refers to the load cases in Table 4 and the corresponding environmental conditions (waves and stochastic wind).

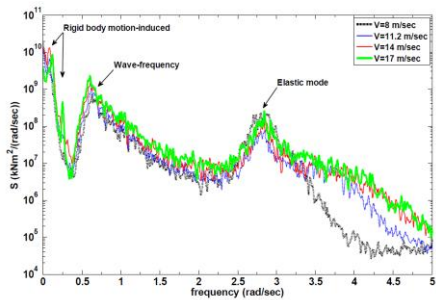


Fig. 11. Spectra of the bending moment at the spar-tower interface based on 1-hour time domain analysis for ShortSpar. Mean wind speed (V) refers to the load cases in Table 3 and the corresponding environmental conditions (wave and stochastic wind)

Conclusion

The results show that spar-type wind turbine in a moderate water depth exhibits good performance and that its responses are reasonable compared to those of spar-type wind turbine in deep water.

The findings indicate the feasibility of implementing the same rotor-nacelle assembly for both concepts.

The total mass (the structural mass plus the ballast) of the ShortSpar is 35% less than that of the DeepSpar, while the statistical characteristics of the power generated are almost the same.

The reduced mass of the ShortSpar helps to achieve a more cost-effective solution for floating wind turbines in moderate water depth.

Thanks for your attention.

Effects of Hydrodynamic Modelling in Fully Coupled Simulations of a Semi-submersible Wind Turbine

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Agenda

1. Tool for fully coupled analysis of floating wind turbines
 - Reflex + AeroDyn
2. Comparison of Morison's equation and potential theory for a semi-submersible wind turbine



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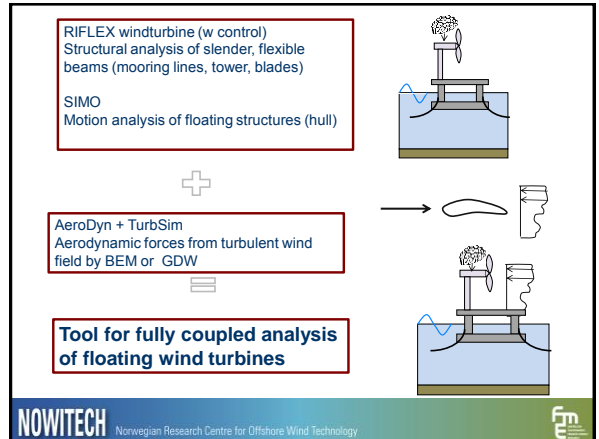


Motivation for Linking Reflex and AeroDyn

| Program | Shortcomings |
|-------------------------|---|
| FAST+HydroDyn | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No mooring elements • No horizontal Morison elements • No twist dof on blades • Modal theory |
| HAWC2 | Only slender body theory |
| USFOS + VpOne | Only slender body theory |
| SIMO+RIFLEX windturbine | No spatial wind field |



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SIMO/RIFLEX + AeroDyn

FEATURES

- ▶ Powerful hydrodynamics
- ▶ Non-linear FEM for blades, tower and mooring lines
- ▶ Internal or user defined control
- ▶ Verified and well tested aerodynamics (AeroDyn)
- ▶ Turbulent wind field through TurbSim
- ▶ Generalized dynamic wake option for high wind speeds
- ▶ Eccentric aerodynamic centre
- ▶ Tower shadow for upwind turbine
- ▶ Wind on tower

MISSING FEATURES

- ▶ Eccentric blade element mass

Land based case in good agreement with FAST and HAWC2

A powerful analysis tool for floating wind turbines!



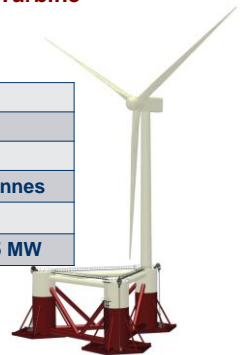
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Semi-submersible Wind Turbine

Similar to WindFloat

| | |
|-----------------|-------------|
| Column diameter | 10 m |
| Column cc | 46 m |
| Draft | 17 m |
| Displacement | 4640 tonnes |
| Mooring lines | 4 |
| Turbine | NREL 5 MW |



Courtesy of Principal Power

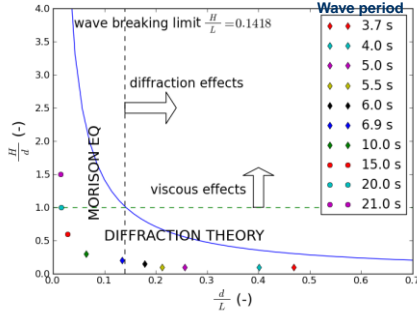


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Load Cases and Theory Validity

- Can Morison's equation be applied to our semi-sub?



Morison vs Potential theory

For a single DOF system:

Diffraction for small wavelength-to-diameter ratios

Linear potential theory with quadratic drag

$$(M + A_{\infty}) \ddot{x}(t) + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \kappa(t - \tau) \dot{x}(\tau) d\tau + Cx(t) + K(x(t)) = F^{FK} + F^D + C_q |u - \dot{x}| (u - \dot{x})$$

Morison

$$M\ddot{x}(t) + Cx(t) + K(x(t)) = (\rho_w V + m_a) a - m_a \ddot{x} + C_q |u - \dot{x}| (u - \dot{x})$$

m_a is calculated based on A(ω) from potential theory, for columns and heave plates

Morison vs Potential – Four models

Potential theory

- M, A(ω), B(ω), C and force transfer functions
- Quadratic drag

Pure Morison (z=ζ or z=0)

- Inertia terms
- Quadratic drag

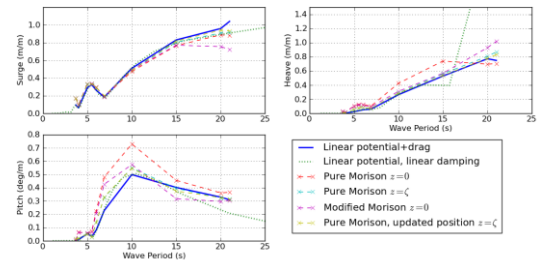
Morison updated pos. (z=ζ)

- Inertia terms
- Quadratic drag elements
- Calculates forces in updated position of the platform

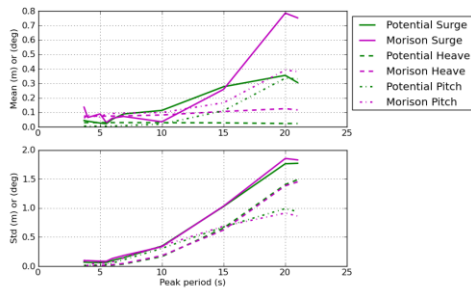
Morison with dynamic pressure (z=0)

- Inertia terms
- Quadratic drag
- Correction for dynamic pressure under columns

Regular Wave Analysis – RAOs

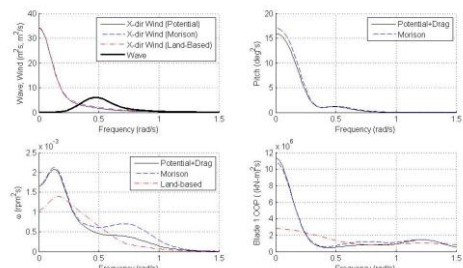


Irregular Wave Analysis



Turbulent Wind and Irregular Waves

Hs = 6.0 m Tp = 15.0 s V = 16 m/s



Turbulent Wind and Irregular Waves

$H_s = 6.0 \text{ m}$ $T_p = 15.0 \text{ s}$ $V = 16 \text{ m/s}$

| | Land-Based | | WF - Potential + Drag | | WF - Morison | |
|--|------------|----------|-----------------------|----------|--------------|----------|
| | μ | σ | μ | σ | μ | σ |
| Electrical Power (kW) | 4798 | 339 | 4767 | 384 | 4734 | 424.6 |
| Generator Torque (kNm) | 41.33 | 2.46 | 41.08 | 2.81 | 40.78 | 3.10 |
| Blade Pitch (deg) | 11.15 | 2.92 | 10.46 | 3.54 | 10.47 | 3.56 |
| Rotor Speed (rpm) | 12.10 | 0.25 | 12.09 | 0.27 | 12.09 | 0.30 |
| Blade Root Out-Of-Plane Bending Moment (kNm) | 5205 | 1645 | 5847 | 1850 | 5837 | 1900 |
| Blade Root In-Plane Bending Moment (kNm) | 1180 | 2621 | 1155 | 2524 | 1116 | 2510 |
| Surge (m) | n/a | n/a | 12.72 | 2.19 | 13.57 | 2.33 |
| Heave (m) | n/a | n/a | -0.01 | 0.61 | 0.06 | 0.64 |
| Pitch (deg) | n/a | n/a | 7.18 | 1.87 | 7.37 | 1.96 |

Conclusions

- Diffraction effects are important for heave motions for wave periods below 7 s
- Morison can be applied for this structure, but stretching and coefficients must be chosen with care
- Effect of updated position is small
- Pitch motions are important to power production and blade root bending moment, so correct prediction of motions is important

Thank you!



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Improving pile foundation models for use in bottom-fixed offshore wind turbine applications

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Personal Background

- Eric Van Buren; Houston, Texas
- BSc in Civil Engineering from Texas A&M University (2008)
- MSc in Structural Engineering from Texas A&M University (2009)
- Develop cost-effective foundation systems for bottom-fixed offshore wind turbines in intermediate water depth (30m-70m)
- Planned project completion in September 2012
- Part of NOWITECH, WP 3: Novel Substructures for Offshore Wind Turbines since August 2009

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Motivations for Research

- Reducing uncertainty in pile design
 - Wide variety of methods, wide range of solutions
- Existing models are outdated
 - Developed in 1970's for oil and gas applications
- Existing models are incomplete
 - Quasi-static, ignore damping, not necessarily conservative
- Dynamics of foundations important for wind turbines
 - Natural frequency of wind turbines close to frequency of loading

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Pile Foundations Models

C E R T A I N T Y & S P E E D

- Fully coupled finite element model simulation
 - Most comprehensive modeling technique, includes many additional non linear effects
 - Includes interactions between soil layers (vertical) and between adjacent piles (horizontal)
 - Very time consuming and expensive, requires extensive soil lab testing
- Dynamic p-y curve methods
 - Utilize combinations of NL springs and dampers to model stiffness and damping
 - Can be tightly coupled with existing wind turbine analysis software
- Multiple non-linear spring representation (p-y curves)
 - Foundation modeled with springs distributed along length of pile
 - Dependent on accurate soil profile and characteristic parameters
- Single non-linear spring representation
 - Entire foundation modeled with single springs at midline for each DOF
 - Does not account for pile flexibility or soil profile non-homogeneity
- Model with an equivalent fixity depth (Apparent Fixity Length)
 - Very simple and fast in computations, more representative than fixed condition
 - Does not capture any soil-structure interaction
- Assume fixed boundary conditions
 - Extremely simple, fast computations
 - Gross misrepresentation of stiffness of the foundation

Red: Models being developed in PhD (Coupled)
Blue: Existing models (Uncoupled)

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Pile Foundations Models (cont.)

Fully-fixed Apparent Fixity Length Uncoupled Springs Distributed Springs

Dynamic p-y Fully coupled FEM

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7 Dynamic behavior of piles

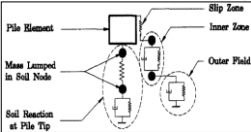
- Nonlinear material properties
 - Soil is a three phase material with constantly changing characteristics
 - Stiffness and damping behaviors are not constant in time
 - Stiffness and damping can be frequency dependent
- Nonlinear geometry
 - Interaction between adjacent piles
 - Large voids with no soil can be found inside piles
- Nonlinear interaction effects
 - Contact interface between soil and pile
 - Slippage
 - Gapping

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8 Pile-soil stiffness

- Nonlinear with respect to:
 - Depth below mudline
 - Strain magnitude
 - Strain rate
 - Stress history
 - Frequency of loading
- Permanent Deformations
 - Plastic deformations of soil
 - Soil grain realignment
- Cyclic effects
 - Stiffness degradation
 - Stiffness increase
- Soil-pile interface
 - Slippage between soil and pile
 - Gap formation between soil and pile



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9 Pile-soil damping

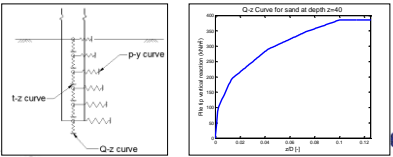
- Two main categories
 - Material (hysteretic damping)
 - Radiation (geometric) damping
- Material damping
 - Softening and hardening of soil
 - Soil is "damaged" by particle realignment
- Geometric damping
 - Wave propagation through soil
 - Highly dependent on frequency of loading
 - Dependent on thickness of soil layers
- Soil-pile interface
 - Slippage
 - Gapping
- Pile interaction
 - Effect of adjacent piles
 - Radiation damping interaction
- Important for fatigue life of structure
 - Provides critical damping when turbine is parked

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10 The p-y curve model

- Developed in the 1970s for offshore oil and gas applications
- Main analysis tool in most offshore structure design standards
- Utilizes a number of nonlinear soil springs to approximate stiffness
- Dependent only on depth below the mudline and displacement of the pile
- Different models for sand and clay



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11 Shortcomings of the p-y model

- No interaction between soil layers
- No interaction between adjacent piles
- P-y curves assume slender pile behavior, monopiles are much more rigid
- P-y curves primarily developed for (static) lateral capacity calculations
- Damping levels are mostly a total guess
- Pile size effects likely to effect the results
- Soil resistance assumed to be equally distributed across diameter
- No provision for gapping, slipping or plastic deformations
- Shown to under-predict stiffness during dynamic loading
- Static conservatism not necessarily dynamic conservatism

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12 Dynamic p-y curves

- Developed for applications other than offshore foundations, nonetheless useful for offshore wind turbines
- Utilize a number of springs and dashpots placed in various arrangements
- Allow for hysteretic and radiation damping
- Allow for slippage and gapping
- Allow for permanent deformations of soil
- Allow for pile group effects

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Application to wind turbines

- Damping capabilities allow some energy from rotor, wind and wave loading to be dissipated through the soil
- More accurate stiffness description provides a better look at changes in the natural frequency of the structure
- Interaction effects allow for an accurate analysis of lattice tower structures
- Can be added to existing wind turbine analysis programs through external dynamic model library structure such as a DLL.
- Will allow for a tightly coupled analysis of the full structure without significantly slowing simulation times

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Finite Element Modeling

FE model utilizing the criteria of dynamic p-y curves

- Use of a sequential FE analysis combined with a traditional p-y model in an aero-hydro-servo-elastic simulation will be used to develop the dynamic soil model library
- Used in conjunction with the NOWITECH 10MW offshore reference turbine

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Coupled Foundation Models

Fully-Coupled FE Model

- Foundation, or 'Geo' module implemented through dynamic soil link library
- Geo Module can be fully coupled with any Aero-Servo-Hydro-Elastic code (FAST, FLEX5, ADAMS, etc.)
- Adding an analysis tool for the foundation system is the last piece needed to provide a proper analysis of the entire wind turbine system

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Further Work

- Investigate the effects of the added capabilities on the full turbine system
 - Fatigue life
 - Structural optimization
- Extend investigations to suction caissons and other foundation solutions
 - Potential foundation concepts can be used in conjunction with a number of different tower concepts
- Investigate dynamic processes of scour and the impacts on soil stiffness and damping
 - Changes in soil properties can have significant impacts on the fatigue life of the structure
 - Impact will be more significant with shallow foundations such as suction caissons
- Validate numerical models with field data

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Questions?

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The full-height lattice tower concept

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Overview

1. Previous experience with lattice towers
2. Comparison with monopiles / hybrid support structures
3. Optimization of full-height lattice towers

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The full-height lattice tower concept

- Developed by our group (for offshore wind turbines)
 - Prof. Geir Moe
 - Haiyan Long
 - Daniel Zwick
 - and others...
- First published in Moe et al. (2007)
- Main goal:
 - cost reduction by weight minimization
- This design will be further developed and optimized in the course of the **NOWITECH 10 MW project**

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Previous experience with lattice towers 1/3

Figure 6-16. Wind park Qinghai in China with Nordex 150 wind turbines (Diederik)

Figure 6-17. Assembly of a Vestas V150 on a 107-m-high lattice tower using a top-crawler system

Onshore:

- Predominant type of wind turbine support structure until late 80s
- Up to 750 kW (Zond Z750) in the US, 55m tall tower
- Difference of **5 percent of total cost** compared to monopile (from 20-25 to 15 percent)

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Previous experience with lattice towers 2/3

- Ruukki onshore wind towers
- Hexagonal tower concept
- **Bolted joints**
- Stepped design
- around since 2010

| C. Total height (m) | 140 | | | | | | 160 | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|------|-----|------|------|-----|------|------|-----|-----|-----|
| D. Tower diam. (m) | 4 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 8 |
| A. Mast circ. diam. (m) | 19 | 20.04 | 21.2 | 25 | 25.8 | 26.5 | 19 | 21.4 | 21.8 | 27 | 27 | 27 |
| Hub diam. (circ. foundation) (mm) | 160 | 164 | 177 | 241 | 227 | 219 | 209 | 227 | 270 | 300 | 308 | 320 |

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Previous experience with lattice towers 3/3

The Opti-OWECS support structures:
Gravity lattice tower
(Kühn 2001)

Developed for NL-5 site

- Wind $V_{ref} = 10.1$ m/s
- Mean sea level 25 m
- Sea state $H_{max} = 15.4$ m, $T_p = 12.5$ s
- Stiff design: ≈ 0.7 Hz first eigenfrequency

| Height | Triangle edge length |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| ~23 m (MSL) | 50 m |
| 7 m (MSL) | 18 m |
| 23 m (MSL) | 6.52 m |
| 58 m (MSL) | 3 m |
| total height 1000 t | |

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Part 2: Comparison with monopiles and hybrid towers

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Differences between monopiles and jackets

- Properties of lattice towers
 - Thrust force results mostly in axial forces in legs
 - Bending stiffness depends quadratically on leg bottom distance
 - Needs to be weighted against lengthening of the legs

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Differences between monopiles and jackets (for design purposes)

adapted from Marc Seidel (EWEA Offshore 2011)

| | |
|---|---|
| <p>Monopiles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excitation of <i>global vibration</i> by waves in fundamental mode • <i>Misaligned waves</i> cause large fatigue loads • Significant impact of <i>secondary structures</i> (e.g., boat landing) • <i>Soil data</i> most important parameter • Fatigue loads often <i>higher for idling turbine</i>: Reduced availability must be considered | <p>Jackets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stiff jacket structure prevents global vibrations • Misalignment effects negligible? • Soil has no significant influence? • 100 percent availability is conservative |
|---|---|

Jackets are easy to design?

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Challenges for design optimization of lattice support structures

- Irregular and transient loads
- Uncertainty about soil conditions (scour)
- Fatigue-driven
- Importance of **local vibrations** (Böker 2009)
Excitable from higher-order rotor modes

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Local vibrations

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Summary

Monopiles

- Large diameter in deeper water: Problems for fabrication and pile-driving
- Problems with grouted connection
- Excitation of *global vibrations*
- Soil uncertainty* critical design factor
- Secondary structure and wind-wave misalignment complicate the design
- Expensive transition piece
- Relatively large weight
- Protected space for access and maintenance (also: security, cold climates)

Jackets (half-height and full-height)

- Larger structures (esp. full-height tower): Problems for fabrication and installation
- Grouted connection unproblematic?
 - Local vibrations of braces a potential problem
- Soil influence negligible (conservative)?
- Secondary structure negligible?

- More economical transition to yaw bearing
- Much lighter structure
- Access and maintenance not as straightforward and economical
- Many members and welds increase production time and cost
- Optimization of structures (different sites) not straightforward

"If the combined cost of **piling and access systems** for the full-height lattice tower is significantly lower than the cost of the **monopile foundation and transition piece**, the full-height lattice tower is an interesting alternative"

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Assessment of fatigue damage

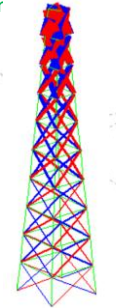
- For design optimization it is important
 - to obtain **good approximations** of lifetime fatigue damage
 - in a **quick and efficient way** (for many points in design space)
 - more or less **UNSOLVED PROBLEM**
- Available approaches
 - Short-term assessment of fatigue
 - Simplified fatigue assessment
 - Spectral assessment
 - Time-domain simulation (most accurate; expensive)
 - Long-term assessment of fatigue
 - Statistical lumping of load cases
 - Parametric load models?
 - (also see: API 2A WSD)

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Baseline design for a full-height lattice tower

- Work of **Haiyan Long**
- Optimized for ULS with constant global sections (Long et al. 2012)
 - Designed for NREL 5 MW turbine and 35 m MSL
 - Total height around 88 m
 - One leg diameter and thickness
 - One brace diameter and thickness
 - Fixed tower top spacing
 - Variable bottom leg spacing
 - Just 5 parameters
 - Buckling analysis (column and shear buckling)
 - Joint checks
- Results
 - Torsion at top** governs brace dimensions
 - Results in heavy towers (= 400 t) : **comparable to monopiles**

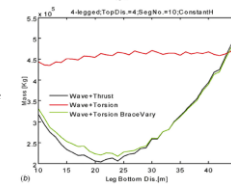


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Further optimization of full-height lattice tower 1/2

- Optimized for ULS (Long et al. 2012)
 - Lattice structures **weak in torsion**
 - Study **local variation** of brace diameters
 - Simple algorithm ("local optimization"): Cross-sectional area increased by the value of its utilization
- Results
 - Significant weight reduction (= 225 t) of **about 50 percent**

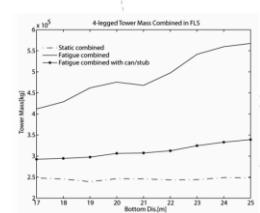


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Further optimization of full-height lattice tower 2/2

- Optimized for FLS (Long & Moe, in press)
 - Increase in wall thickness where necessary
 - Simplified fatigue assessment
 - Adding of response spectra
 - Dirlik method
 - Hot spot stress analysis (SCFs)
 - 19 lumped wind speeds + sea states
 - Two separate classes of loadcases
 - Torsion only loading: most critical close to the top
 - Thrust / wave loading: most critical close to sea surface
 - Effect of joint cans / stubs studied (NORSOK)
- Results
 - Final design (= 300 t) **saves 25 percent** of weight compared with monopile (under joint detailing)



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Combined local optimization (ULS + FLS)

- Work of Daniel Zwick (POSTER PRESENTATION)
- Tower adapted to 10 MW NOWITECH turbine: 93.5 m + 60 m
- Detailed flexible multibody model in FEDEM Windpower
 - Flexible blades
 - Distributed soil model (p-y method; stiff sand)
- Time-domain simulations:
 - 10 min @ 1 hour simulation time
 - Time series of forces / moments in joints
- Simplification
 - Only one loadcase: power production at 12 m/s wind
- Automatic evaluation of fatigue damage
 - Stress concentration factors
 - Extrapolated to lifetime
 - Normalized with respect to design goals (20 year lifetime)

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First results (Zwick et al., submitted)

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Baseline design (constant member dimensions)

Optimized design (variable thickness; constant diameter)

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Optimal member thicknesses

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- Significant reduction in weight (25 percent) compared to baseline truss tower (with constant members)
- Time-domain optimization possible
- Local optimization is reasonable approach
- Compare with Enercon E126 Onshore turbine
 - 14.5 m base diameter, 450 mm
 - 2800 t tower
 - 135 m instead of 158 m

| | Constant member dimensions (Section 3.1) | Optimized design (Section 3.2) |
|--------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| tower height [m] | 158.70 | 138.30 |
| leg-brace diameter [m] | 1.6/0.8 | 1.6/0.8 |
| leg-brace thickness [mm] | 73/34 | 49.63/20.34 |
| number of sections | 15 | 18 |
| tower weight [t] | 3082 | 2283 |

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Summary

The future, in fact, will be full of optimization algorithms. They are becoming part of almost everything. They are moving up the complexity chain to make entire companies more efficient. They also are moving down the chain as computers spread. (USA Today, 31 Dec 1997)

Optimization of support structures

- Difficult problem
 - Large design space (many parameters)
 - Fatigue-driven designs in stochastic environment: expensive evaluation
- Need fast multibody/FEM solver
- Need simplified fatigue analysis methods
- Need efficient optimization method
 - Local optimization
 - Simultaneous perturbation
 - Response-surface method
 - Specialized software for integrated support structure optimization?

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Outlook

- Full-height lattice tower concept
 - Pro: Lighter structure, no expensive transition piece
 - Con: More difficult fabrication and installation, more difficult design (local vibrations), more difficult access
- Intermediate water depth (35 m)
 - Tower weight comparable to (shorter) monopile – or joint detailing needed
 - NB: Transition piece and foundation costs not included
- Deep water (60 m)
 - Lighter by at least 20 percent than (shorter) monopile
- First commercial concepts?
 - <http://www.floating.com>

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Additional slides

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Structural optimization: Direct search methods

- Gradient search
 - Improve design step-wise by following direction of steepest improvement
 - Θ_k : k-th parameter vector
 - a_k : gain sequence
 - g_k : estimate of the gradient
- Issues with gradient search
 - Can be slow close to optimum
 - Only finds local optima
 - Depends on initial point in design space
 - Restart optimization with different starting points
 - How to obtain gradient information?

$$\hat{\Theta}_{k+1} = \hat{\Theta}_k - a_k \hat{g}_k(\hat{\Theta}_k)$$

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How to obtain gradient information?

- Sensitivity analysis (Haftka & Adelman, 1989)
 - Analytical methods (for static loads)
 - Accurate and efficient
 - Needs special software capabilities
 - Central difference approximation
 - Necessary to evaluate 2N designs for N parameters
 - Choice of interval (finite difference) can be problematic
 - Too large: bad approximation
 - Too small: unstable (numerical noise)
 - Simultaneous perturbation (Spall 1992)
 - Needs only 2 evaluations for N parameters
 - Not a true gradient, but behaves similarly

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Spall's simultaneous perturbation method

- Two-sided finite-difference approximation (FDSA) (for comparison)
 - Results in i-th component of g_k
 - Needs N function evaluations ($i=1, 2, \dots, N$)
$$\hat{g}_{ki}(\hat{\theta}_k) = \frac{y(\hat{\theta}_k + c_k e_i) - y(\hat{\theta}_k - c_k e_i)}{2c_k}$$
- Two-sided *simultaneous* approximation (SPSA)
 - Results in i-th component of g_k
 - Needs only 2 function evaluations
 - Perturbation Δ_k chosen randomly
$$\hat{g}_{ki}(\hat{\theta}_k) = \frac{y(\hat{\theta}_k + c_k \Delta_k) - y(\hat{\theta}_k - c_k \Delta_k)}{2c_k \Delta_{ki}}$$

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Alternative: Metamodels

- Classical response-surface method (Khuri & Cornell 1996; Myers *et al.* 2009)
 - Use a linear (statistical) model for the objective function in terms of *parameters and their interactions*
 - Fitted by least-squares: very efficient
 - Works well with randomness (numerical noise)
 - Use response surface for direct search
- Kriging metamodels (Sacks *et al.* 1989; Simpson *et al.* 2001)
 - Use spatial correlation between function values
 - Developed for geoscientific applications (reservoir characterization)
- Variations and other approximations (Barthelemy & Haftka 1993)

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Response-surface method

- Linear regression model (ANOVA)
 - Constructed as an *approximation* of the true behavior of the objective function
 - Fitted by least-squares regression
 - Ideally suited for expensive *black-box simulation optimization*: uses knowledge from function evaluations optimally
- First-order response surface

$$Y_u = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{1u} + \beta_2 X_{2u} + \dots + \beta_v X_{vu} + e_u$$
- Second-order response surface

$$Y_u = \beta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^v \beta_i X_{iu} + \sum_{i=1}^v \beta_{ii} X_{iu}^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{v-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^v \beta_{ij} X_{iu} X_{ju} + e_u$$

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Simplified fatigue assessment 1/2

- Separation of simultaneous response under wind and wave loading (Kühn 2001)
 - Approximate aerodynamic damping by structural damping
 - Superposition of damage-equivalent loads
 - In-phase superposition: Too conservative, Overestimates fatigue damage
 - Out-of-phase superposition: Axial and bending loads largely independent, 90 degree phase angle (geometric average), No empirical or theoretical basis?

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Simplified fatigue assessment 2/2

- Frequency-domain considerations
 - Both aerodynamic and simultaneous response not narrow-banded
 - Usually *Dirlik's method* best for fatigue in frequency domain
 - Easier, although less accurate empirical correction (Hancock & Gall, 1985)
- Weighted quadratic superposition of equivalent stress ranges
 - Given in terms of spectral moments m_n

$$\Delta\sigma_{\text{eq},\text{th}} = \sqrt{\frac{m_{2,0} + m_{2,2}}{m_{0,0} + m_{0,2}} \left(\Delta\sigma_{\text{eq},0} \sqrt{\frac{m_{2,0}}{m_{0,0}}} + \Delta\sigma_{\text{eq},2} \sqrt{\frac{m_{2,2}}{m_{0,2}}} \right)}$$

- Further simplification:
 - Direct quadratic superposition of equivalent fatigue loads

$$\Delta\sigma_{\text{eq},\text{th}} = \sqrt{\Delta\sigma_{\text{eq},0}^2 + \Delta\sigma_{\text{eq},2}^2} \quad \text{for } T_{2,0} = T_{2,2}$$

F Wind farm modelling

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- ▶ Introduction to WP1 and the Blind Test.
- ▶ Description of experimental facilities and setup.
- ▶ Experimental results
- ▶ Conclusion
- ▶ Future work
- ▶ A small sample of the results from the workshop.

Introduction to WP1 and the Blind Test (1/2)

- ▶ Goal of WP1: "The goal is establishment of a set of proven tools for integrated design of deep-sea wind turbines, hereunder characterization and interaction of wind, wave and current"
- ▶ Future product: Integrated design tools
- ▶ Example: Wind farm planning
 - Large range of scales => Simplifications are needed
 - State of the art
- ▶ Offshore wind margins are small
 - Accuracy is important

Introduction to WP1 and the Blind Test (2/2)

- ▶ The Blind Test
 - Comparison between experimental results and numerical predictions for a model wind turbine.
 - Power and thrust coefficients
 - Force distribution on blades (comparison between numerical predictions only)
 - Wake velocity field
 - A test case has been defined and the setup is open to everyone.
 - Seven different numerical predictions were handed in.
 - Experimental investigations carried out at NTNU
 - Cooperation between NOWITECH and NORCOWE
 - Workshop held in Bergen, October 2011.

Experimental setup (1/2)

- ▶ Wind tunnel
 - 11.2 m x 1.8 m x 2.7 m
 - 0.3 % turbulence level
 - Automatic traverse
 - Six component balance
 - Closed loop tunnel

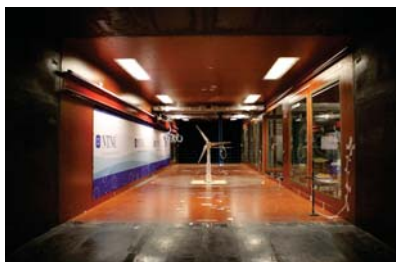


Fig 1: Upstream view of model wind turbine

Experimental setup (2/2)

- ▶ Model wind turbine:
 - Diameter: 0.9 m
 - Peak efficiency: 0.448
 - Instrumentation:
 - Torque sensor
 - Photo cell
 - Slip rings for strain gages
 - NREL S826
 - Large chord length => Increases Re (10^5)
 - Stiff blade made of aluminum
 - Well known performance characteristics
 - Positioned 4D from entrance
 - Area ratio: 12%

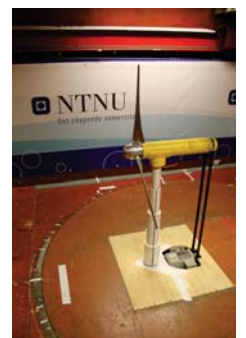


Fig 2: Model wind turbine in test section

Measurement technique

- ▶ Constant temperature hot wire anemometry
- ▶ Results available
 - Mean velocities(3/3)
 - Normal stresses(3/3)
 - Shear stresses(2/3)
- ▶ Measurement set consist of data for:
 - $\lambda = 3, 6 \text{ \& } 10$ and $x/D = 1, 3 \text{ \& } 5$
- ▶ Both horizontal and vertical direction traversed(horizontal data is presented).
 - Centre on hub axis
- ▶ Validation with LDA

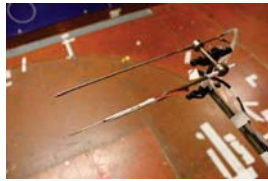


Fig 3: X-wire CTA probe and pitot tube

Experimental results (1/6)

- ▶ Mean velocity defect, $\lambda = 6$
 - Design condition
 - Uniform loading
 - Asymmetric wake
 - Wake decays and expands
- ▶ LDA validation
 - Good match
 - Deviation in the free stream
- ▶ Speed up/Blockage

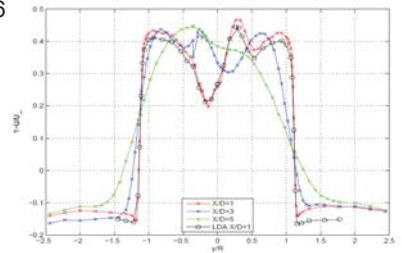


Fig 4: Mean velocity defect, $\lambda = 6$.

Experimental results (2/6)

- ▶ Velocity defect
 - Off design conditions:

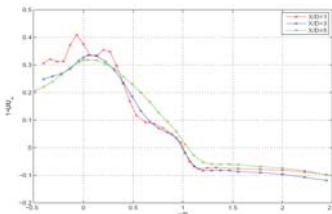


Fig 5: Mean velocity defect, $\lambda = 3$.

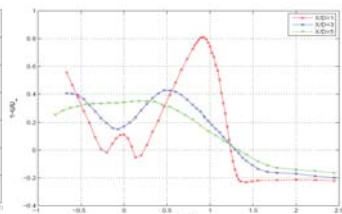


Fig 6: Mean velocity defect, $\lambda = 10$.

Experimental results (3/6)

- ▶ Turbulent kinetic energy, $\lambda = 6$
 - All bound circulation shed at the tips
 - => Strong tip vortices
 - Turbulence level decays rapidly

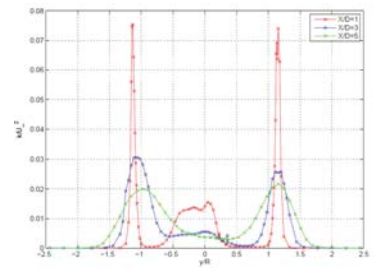


Fig 7: Turbulent kinetic energy, $\lambda = 6$.

Experimental results (4/6)

- ▶ Turbulent kinetic energy
 - Off design conditions:

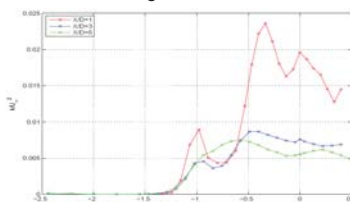


Fig 8: Turbulent kinetic energy, $\lambda = 3$.

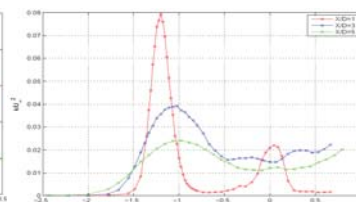


Fig 9: Turbulent kinetic energy, $\lambda = 10$.

Experimental results (5/6)

- ▶ Normal stresses, $\lambda = 6$
 - Anisotropic in tip region
 - "Intermittent" turbulence
 - Phase locked average would reveal more.
 - Radial stress is largest, as expected

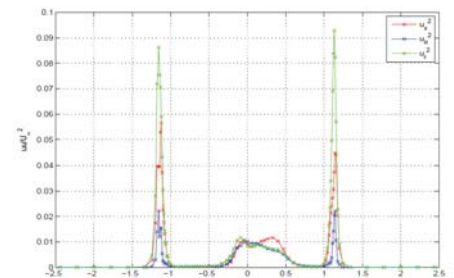


Fig 10: Normal stresses, $\lambda = 6, x/D = 1$.

Experimental results (6/6)

- ▶ Normal stresses, $\lambda = 3$
 - Much lower stress levels
 - No strong tip vortice, less anisotropic

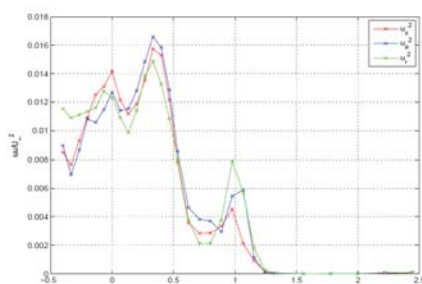


Fig 11: Normal stresses, $\lambda = 3$, $x/D = 1$.

Conclusion

- ▶ A quite extensive data set has been acquired.
 - But still needs to be completed
- ▶ The results are physically reasonable, and match LDA results.
- ▶ The wake changes significantly for the different operating conditions.
 - Makes a good test case for the validity range of a numerical model.
- ▶ Tip vortices dominate the near wake for $\lambda = 6$.
- ▶ Stall is characteristic for $\lambda = 3$.
- ▶ High velocity gradients dominate the near wake for $\lambda = 10$.

Future work

- ▶ Complete dataset
- ▶ Analyze the data further.
 - Perform phase locked average
- ▶ Advance to measure all velocity components simultaneously

Some results from the workshop

- ▶ Different rotor implementations:
 - Actuator disc
 - Actuator line
 - Fully resolved
- ▶ LES and RANS
- ▶ Large scatter in results
- ▶ Accuracy of the individual predictions varied
 - Good at some things, bad at others.

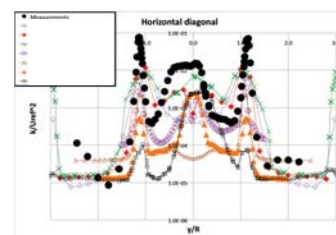




Fig 8: Turbulent kinetic energy, $\lambda = 6$, $x/D = 1$

Questions?


Wind Turbine Wake Models


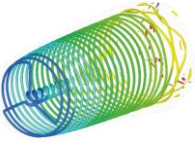


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**Nordic Consortium:
Optimization and Control of Wind Farms**

~ 15 Senior researcher
7 PhD students


Swedish Energy Agency, Vindforsk, Norden

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- Task 1 – Wake stability and interaction, NUM (Sasan), KTH
- Task 2 – Wake stability and interaction, EXP (Ylva), KTH
- Task 3 – Optimization (Søren), DTU
- Task 4 – Farm control and optimization (Karl), HGO/KTH
- Task 5 – ICEWIND (Görkem), HGO/KTH
- Task 6 – FarmFarm (Ola), HGO/KTH
- Task 7 – Farm control (Ingemar), Teknikgruppen

IEA Wind (31-WakeBench, 29-NextMex, 11-General WE)


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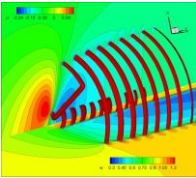
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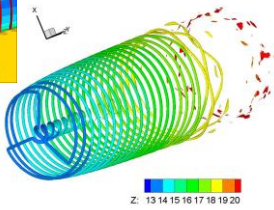


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Analysis of numerically generated wake structures
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Stability analysis of the tip vortices of a wind turbine
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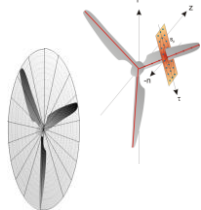
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- EllipSys3D
- Impossible to represent the flow structure locally around the blade and the wake at the same time
- ACD, ACL



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Wake structure



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Stability of the tip vortices

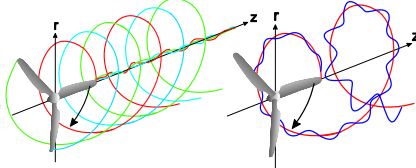


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Instability mode: iso-contours of vorticity: 0.33Hz - 0.66Hz

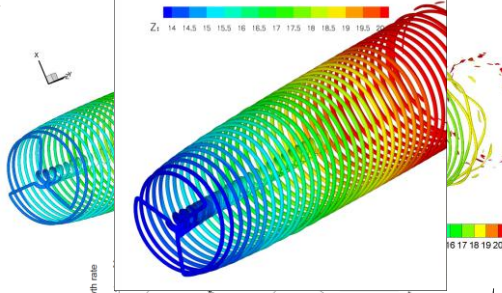


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Growth rate vs Frequency


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Pre-generated turbulent atmospheric boundary layer with ACD

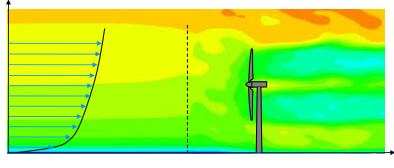


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Simulation of 9 turbines - with and without atmospheric turbulence

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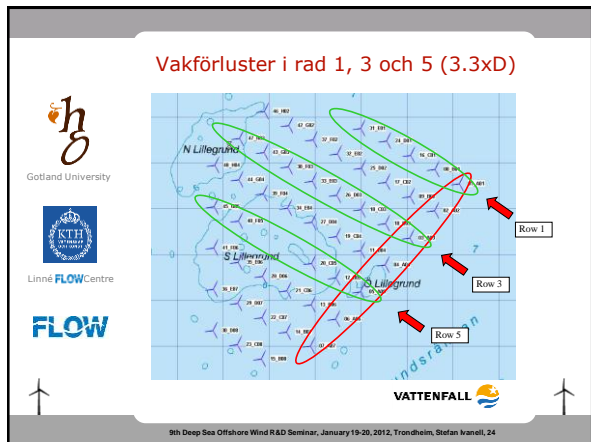
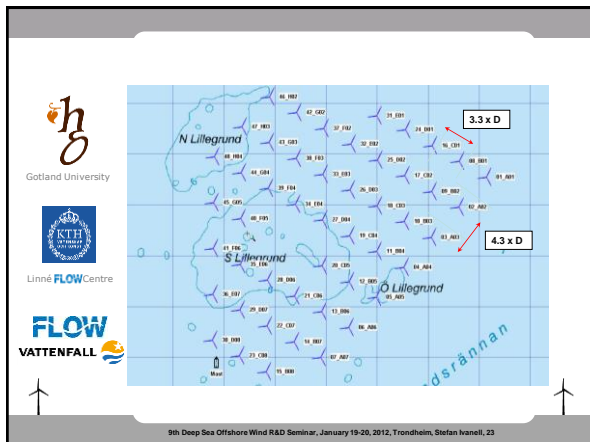
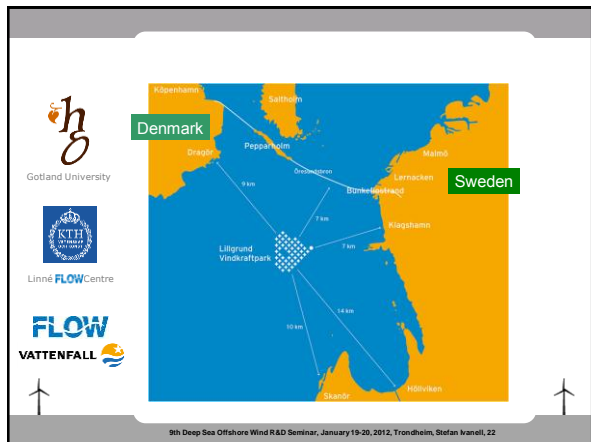
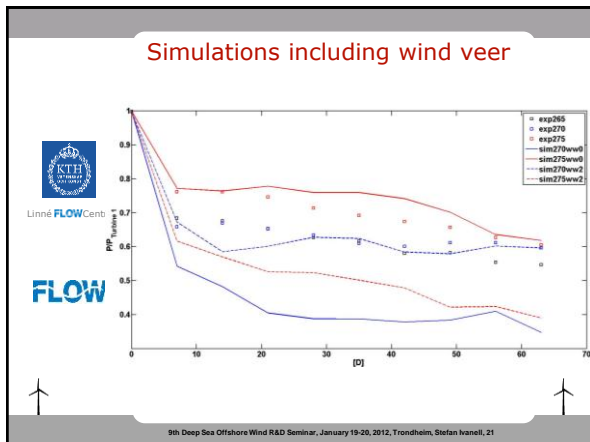
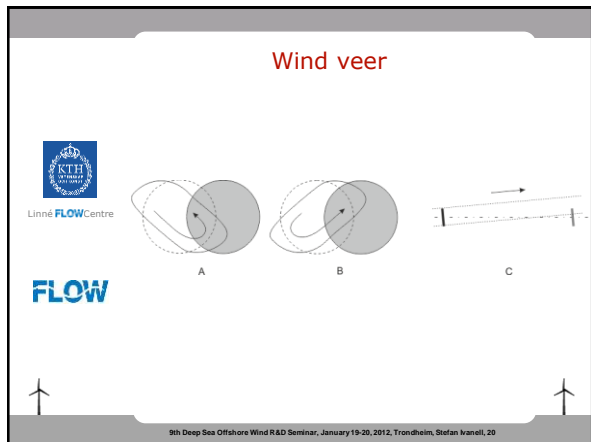
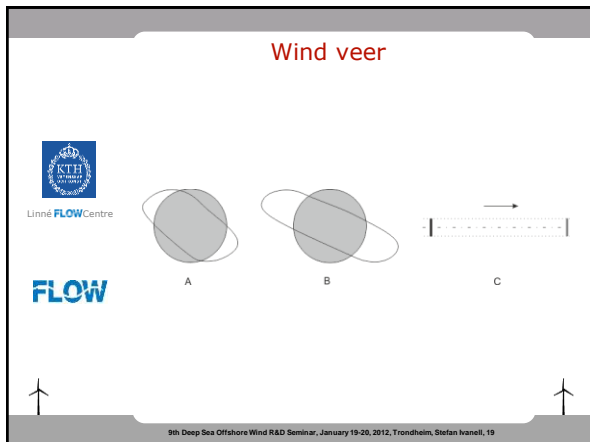
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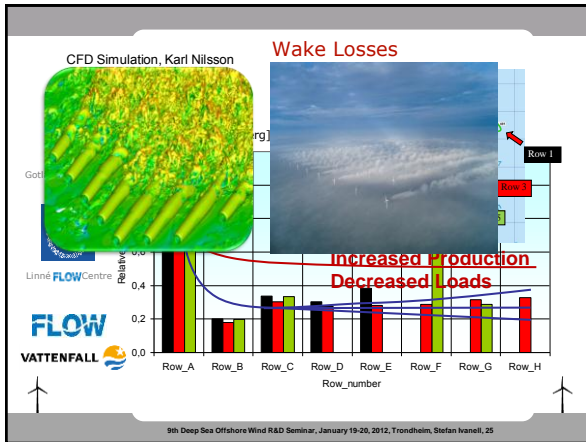
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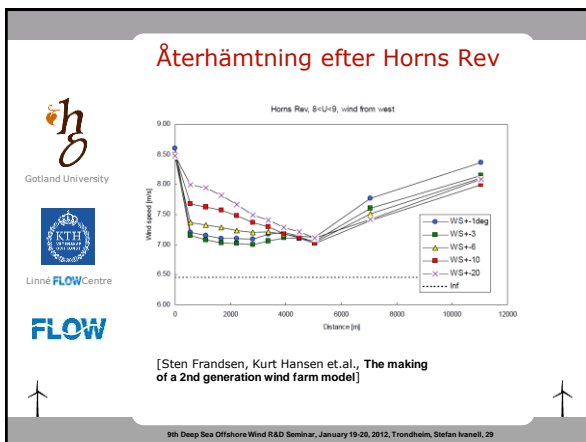
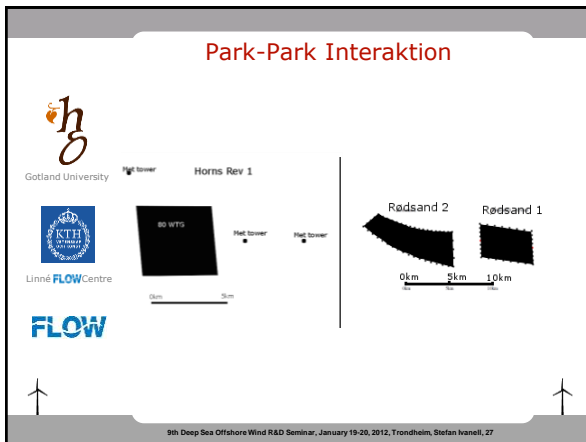





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Wake modeling with the Actuator Disc concept

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WindSim AS develops the software WindSim

WindSim is a CFD (Computational Fluid Dynamics) based Wind Farm Design Tool used to optimize energy production and reduce turbine loads

WindSim AS has been within the wind sector since 1997 offering the WindSim software and consulting services



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Motivation – wake modelling

Wind farms get bigger and bigger. It has been a trend for several years and future offshore projects will most likely strengthen this trend for cost efficiency reasons.

Optimizing the cost efficiency for large wind farms is indeed a challenge, where conflicting criteria within areal and resource planning have to be balanced.

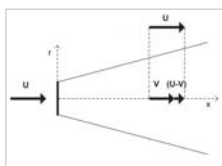
In particular the reduced wind speeds and increased loading due to the wakes generated by each wind turbine is an important parameter in this respect.

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Wake models – velocity deficit laws

Traditionally the wake models used within the wind industry have been based on so-called velocity deficit laws. These models reproduce reasonably well the reduced velocity in the wake region after one single wind turbine. However, when it comes to large wind farms the wake-wake interaction becomes important, which is not handled by these models.



$$\text{Wind deficit: } \delta u(x) = U - V$$

The Velocity deficit laws are computational inexpensive, suitable for optimization purposes investigating many layouts

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Wake models – velocity deficit laws

1) Jensen model (Park model)

Oldest and simplest, often said to work well. The wake is supposed to expand like a cone, and the opening of the cone depends on the roughness-length at the turbine location.

2) Larsen model

More complex. It is obtained by integrating the momentum and continuity equations with a mixing-length turbulence model.

3) Ishihara et al. model

It was derived to model a wide range of situations, in theory to model sites with very low (offshore) and very high (complex terrains) turbulent intensities. It seems that the model has only partially achieved this goal, it normally estimates a higher wind deficit than the other two models.

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Multiple wakes models

1. Linear sum of wake deficits (LS)

$$\delta u = \delta u_1 + \delta u_2 + \dots + \delta u_n$$

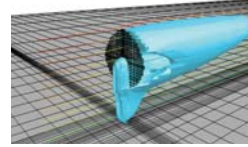
2. Root square of sum of squares of wake deficits (RSS)

$$\delta u = \sqrt{\delta u_1^2 + \delta u_2^2 + \dots + \delta u_n^2}$$

Where the wake deficits on the RHS of the equations are computed with single wake models.

Wake models – Actuator Disc Concept

Various new modelling techniques based on Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) is under development. We present a wake model based on the Actuator Disc Concept, aimed towards capturing the wake losses in large wind farms. Likewise, wake losses in complex terrain will benefit from this new approach with improved handling of the wake-terrain interactions.



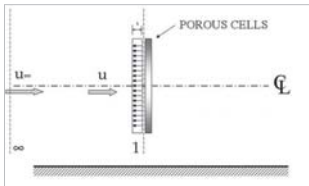
Actuator Disc Concept handles:

- wake-wake interaction
- wake-terrain interaction
- thermal effects

Perspective view of the actuator disc, streamlines and iso surface of turbulent kinetic energy (1,4 m²/s², U₀ 10 m/s at 500m a.g.l.)

Actuator Disc Concept – Our first attempt in 2008

The thrust, momentum sink for the axial flow, is supposed evenly distributed on the swept area (uniform pressure drop)



$$t = T / A = C_T \frac{1}{2} \rho u_\infty^2$$

$$T \approx \sum_i t_i = \sum_i \left(C_T \frac{1}{2} \rho u_{\infty,i}^2 area_i \right)$$

$$t_i = C_{T,i} (u_{1,i}) \frac{1}{2} \rho \left(\frac{u_{1,i}}{1 - a_i(u_{1,i})} \right)^2 area_i$$

Axial induction factor:

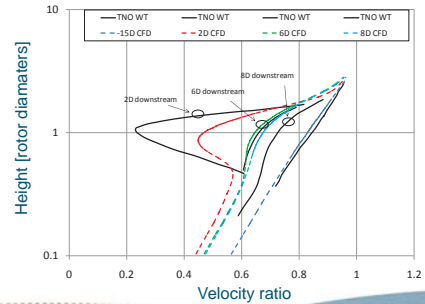
$$a_i = \frac{u_\infty - u_i}{u_\infty}$$

By definition

$$a = \frac{1}{2} (1 - \sqrt{1 - C_T}) \text{ Betz's theory}$$

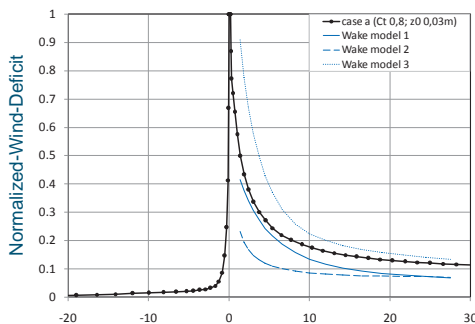
Singel wake; comparisons with Wind Tunnel runs

Vertical profiles of normalized velocity from TNO Wind Tunnel tests (solid black lines), from Vermeer *et al.*, predicted by the actuator disc CFD model (coloured lines).



Singel wake; Comparisons with analytical models

Case a: C_T = 0,80; z₀ = 0,03 m (onshore)



Actuator Disc Concept – Status in 2008

- An actuator disc concept was applied to model a wind turbine in RANS simulations of a single WECS wake
- A uniform pressure drop was applied on the disc; the value of the pressure drop was calculated from the thrust coefficient and axial induction factor.
- Comparison with wind tunnel tests show that the wind deficit predicted by the CFD simulations is under predicted in the near wake at 2D diameters downstream, the level of wind deficit is correctly predicted at 6D downstream while in the far wake the wind deficit is overestimated.
- When comparing the presented actuator disc to some analytical models the best match is found with the *Jensen Model*.

Actuator Disc Concept – Tasks post 2008

Automatization of the process:

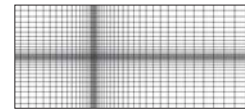
- Reading the wind farm layout from the layout (.ows) file
- Automatic generation of the grid
- Reading of the thrust curve from the power curve (.pws) file

Investigation of:

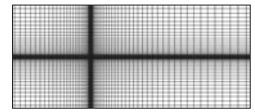
- Introduction of turbulence sources over the swept area
- Radial distribution of axial forces
- Methods for power extraction
- Rotational effects (swirling wake)
- Stability
- Nesting technique to improve the grid design

Single turbine: neutral cases, grid sensitivity

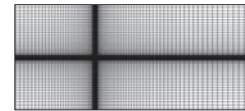
A grid sensitivity study is performed with 20, 10, 5 and 4 meters cell resolution in the turbine region, which in terms of rotor diameters are D/4, D/8, D/16 and D/20



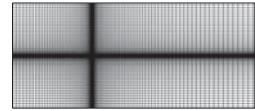
Resolution 20 meters, D/4



Resolution 10 meters, D/8

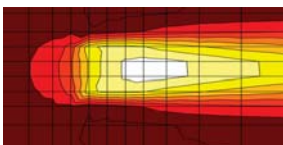


Resolution 5 meters, D/16

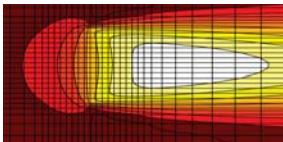


Resolution 4 meters, D/20

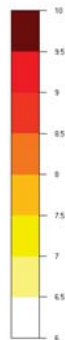
Single turbine: neutral cases, grid sensitivity



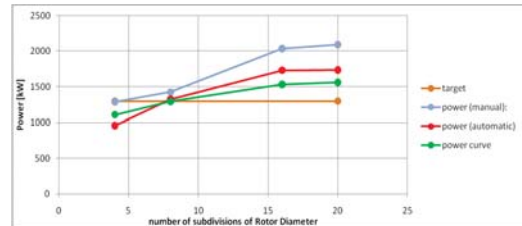
Wind speed, resolution 20 meters, D/4



Wind speed, resolution 5 meters, D/16



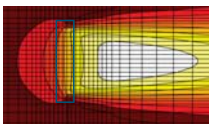
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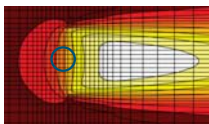
Conclusions of the grid sensitivity study:

1. A good level of grid dependency is reached with 16 subdivisions of the rotor diameter (in this case 5m);
2. There is a significant sensitivity on the method used to compute the power extracted by the disc.

Power extraction method – pressure

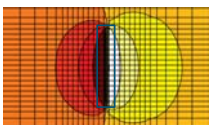


\bar{u} is the bulk velocity over the swept area

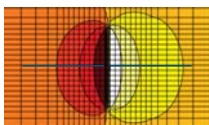


\bar{u} is the velocity at the hub

$Power \approx \bar{u} A_s \Delta p$
where A_s is the swept area

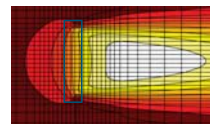


Δp is the max pressure drop over the swept area



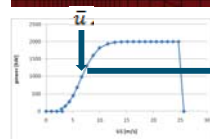
Δp is the max pressure drop along the centerline

Power extraction method – power curve



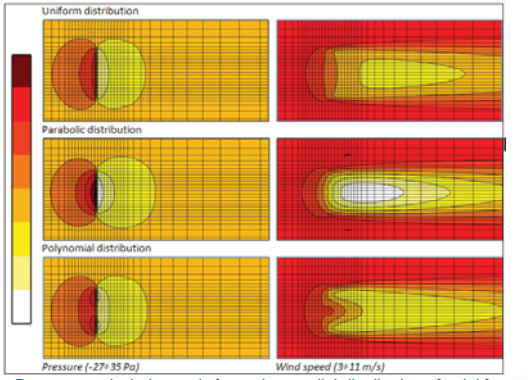
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Power curve corrected with axial-induction factor and Betz's theory



Evaluate the power entering in the corrected power curve

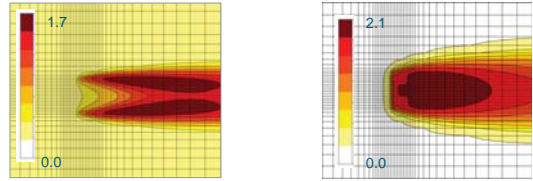
Radial distribution of axial forces



Pressure and wind speeds for various radial distribution of axial forces

Generation of turbulence over swept area

Turbulent Kinetic Energy contour map at hub height [m²/s²]



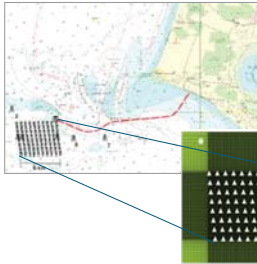
Without source of turbulence (Ck = 0.0) With source of turbulence (Ck = 0.01)

$$S \approx \sum_i s_i \text{ [W]}$$

$$s_i = C_k \rho |u_{1,i}|^3 area_i$$

Validation case: Horns Rev – Model

Horns Rev is an offshore wind farm located 13 km from the Danish coastline consisting of 80 wind turbines (Vestas V80)

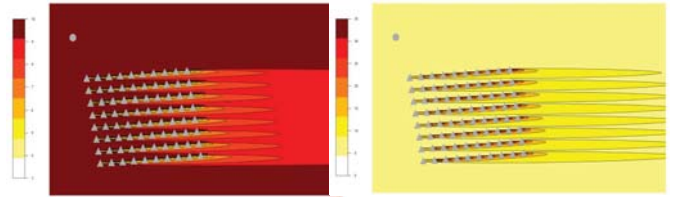


Computational characteristics:

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|--------------------|----------------|
| Resolution | D/4 (20 meter) |
| # cells | 1.5 M |
| RAM | 2-3 GB |
| Computational time | 2 hrs |

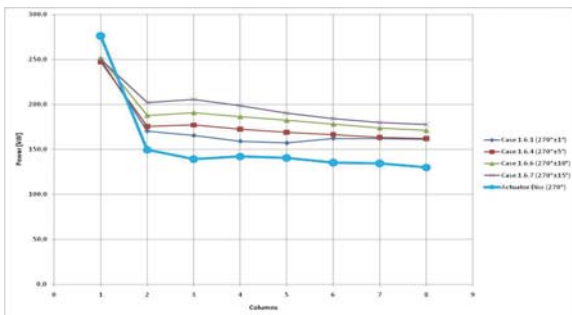
Note: Grid resolution D/4 does not give grid independent solutions

Validation case: Horns Rev – Results 274°



Wind speed left (m/s) and turbulent intensity right (%) for case with income wind from 274° and wind speed of 10 m/s and TI of 6% at hub height

Validation case: Horns Rev – Results 270°



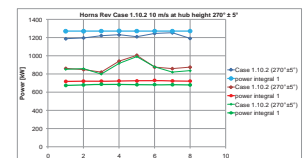
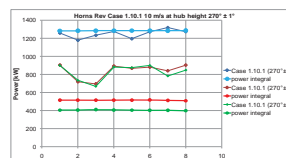
Average production for all eight turbines in each column for case with income wind from 270° and wind speed of 6 m/s at hub height.

Validation case: Horns Rev – Model (3 columns)



Computational characteristics:

| | |
|------------|----------------|
| Resolution | D/10 (8 meter) |
| # cells | 5.0 M |



Production for all eight turbines in each three first columns for case with income wind from 270° and wind speed of 10 m/s at hub height. Variability due to sector division.

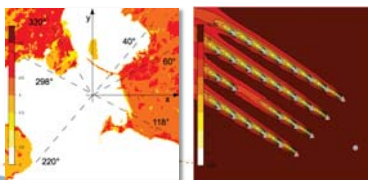
Validation case: Lillgrund

Lillgrund is an offshore wind farm located in Øresund consisting of 48 wind turbines (Siemens SWT-2.3-93)



The presence of shallow waters caused the layout of the wind farm to have regular array with missing turbines (recovery holes).

- Very close inter-row spacing
- Onshore effects
- Interesting wind farm for wake simulations



Raphaël Désilets-Aubé. *Developing boundary conditions using the nesting technique on simple terrain*. Thesis, Gotland University, Visby, Sweden, 2011

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Summary

- Tests on single wakes
 - Neutral cases (grid sensitivity study)
 - Sensitivity to roughness (onshore/offshore)
 - Stable case (Monin-Obukhov length 100m)
 - Turbulence source at the rotor
- Tests on Horns Rev
 - Good behaviour in predicting the power ratio for the wide sectors
 - Meandering is not included in the simulations
 - Resolution issues - too coarse model (Resolution 20 meters, D/4)
- The actuator disc approach is promising – still more basic studies will be performed to adjust model constants

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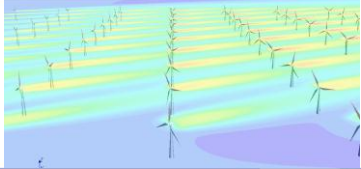


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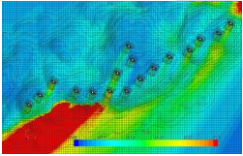
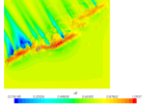
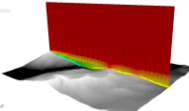




Recent Advances in Modelling Wind Parks in STAR-CCM+

Steve Evans

Agenda

- **Introduction**
 - Company
 - STAR-CCM+
- **Wind engineering at CD-adapco**
- **STAR-CCM+ & EnviroWizard**
 - Developments for Offshore Simulation

CD-adapco: Engineering Success



We are a growing and *successful* engineering simulation company.

- 20%+ growth in FY2011 global software sales
- \$130m End User Spend in FY2011
- >560 employees in ~25 offices
- 40% of employees involved in Research and Development activities
- >9000 users worldwide



Our purpose is to ensure the customer's *success* through the use of engineering simulation

- Enable & inspire innovation
- Reduce engineering time & costs



We provide *successful* engineering simulation solutions

- Software products like STAR-CCM+ that are accurate, efficient, and easy to use
- **Flow, Thermal and Stress** simulation in a single tool.
- Local dedicated support
- Engineering services: technology transfer, burst engineering resources, custom software tools



Our independence breeds *engineering success*

- Largest independent CAE/CFD provider
- Heavily invest in employees
- Continuously invest in development of new technology

Why our software technology? From our customers perspective

Technical Value

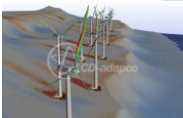
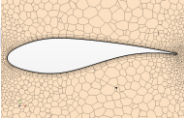

- **A single workflow environment**
 - Integrated Flow, Thermal, Stress Process
 - One tool to learn with all the major physics
 - Allows easy toggle from one task to another
 - "On the fly" solver setting change
 - Streamlined and effective modelling
- **Rapid pre-processing & design change**
 - Reduced man-hours on model prep
 - Streamlined meshing for highly complex models
 - Rapid design change analysis: Stop, change, start from last
- **Client-Server**
 - Efficiency of large models over multiple cores
 - Eliminate lag-time in transferring models to/from clusters to workstation
- **Custom automation**
 - Design of Experiment
 - Deploy best-practices to new users quickly
 - Ensure consistency






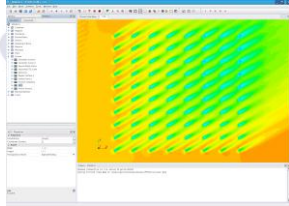

Wind Engineering with STAR-CCM+

- We have been working with our customers in the Wind Energy Business for the past 5 years.
- Today we have customers working
 - Automated wind and site
 - Automated blade design
 - Offshore and ship engineering
 - Code coupling (CFD to FE)
 - Acoustics

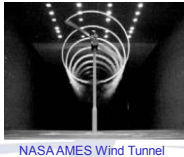
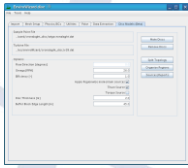
STAR-CCM+ EnviroWizard


- The EnviroWizard is a GUI driven work process allowing quick & efficient setup of investigations of Wind & Site problems using STAR-CCM+
- Workflow process
 - Terrain import
 - Mesh Creation
 - Boundary Conditions
 - Polars (N directions)
 - Post processing
 - » Quantitative

Wake Interactions

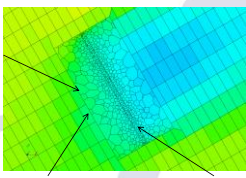


- **Modelling the turbine interaction problem can generally be split into two problems**
 - Near Wake Effects
 - 3D & tip effects, stall
 - High fidelity models BEM/CFD required
 - Far wake (Wind Park Level) including
 - Wake interaction, turbulence & terrain
 - Lower fidelity model such as actuator discs can be used
- **EnviroWizard allows the User to investigate wake interactions**
 - Automatic setup of mesh and actuator functions







Wake Interactions

- **Each turbine is modelled individually as a momentum source.**
 - Torque $= \frac{V}{2\rho\omega} Q$
 - Buffer Region
 - Thrust $= 0.5\rho C_T AU_{in}^2$
 - User can choose
 - U_{in} is area averaged velocity upstream of the disc
 - Embedded meshing
 - Hexahedral dominant mesh in main region
 - Polyhedral disc & buffer region




EnviroWizard Developments

- **While this automatic wake methodology works, the setup requires remeshing for each wind direction.**
- **In STAR-CCM+ 7.02 (end Feb 2012), CD-adapco will release a version containing the Overset method,**
 - This has the possibility to simplify the array problem
 - No remesh.
 - Just change the wind direction and disc orientation.
- **The EnviroWizard will be released at the same time incorporating this functionality.**

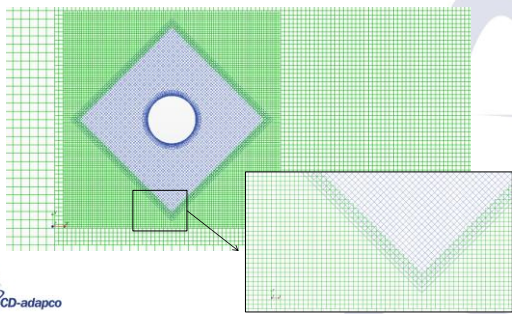



Overset Methodology

- **Cells are marked according to three types:**
 - active, inactive, and acceptor.
- **Active cells**
 - regular discretized equations are solved.
 - Donor for the interpolation.
- **Inactive cells**
 - no equation is solved – they are temporarily de-activated.
 - Need to be surrounded by acceptor cells.
- **Acceptor cells**
 - discretized equations are replaced by interpolation equations which express cell-centre value of a variable as a linear combination of values at another grid.

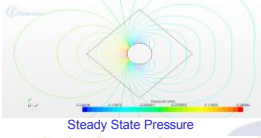
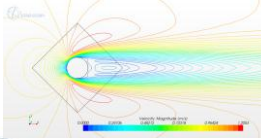
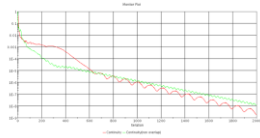


Overset Methodology





Overset Validation

- **Steady State Re=50 cross flow cylinder, 24K elements**

Continuity Residuals
Red – overset
Green – no overset



Overset Validation

- Transient Re=200 cross flow cylinder, 24K elements

Time 0 - 150s

Overset Features

- Release features for v702 (end Feb 2012)
 - Any number of overlaps, restricted to:
 - Not overlapping each other
 - Not overlapping any solid body or exit background mesh
 - Physics / Solver
 - Steady, moving, or sliding grid.
 - Parallel
 - VOF, cavitation etc.
 - Not particle tracking, liquid film

EnviroWizard with Overset

- New option in the Disc Models
 - Setup of N turbines in array is performed with the Wizard.
- Test against a known case, Hornsref

Overset disc

Figure 1: Map of the Horns Ref wind farm with the turbine numbering indicated. Dimensions are in metres.

The author wishes to acknowledge Elkraft who provided this production data and the owners of the array, Dong Energy and Vattenfall.

EnviroWizard with Overset

- Computational requirements
 - Approximate timings for 5.9M cells
 - 1 background mesh with 80 overset regions
 - Test machine 2*4 core Intel Xeon X5560 2.8GHz
 - Setup & mesh
 - 15m
 - Solver
 - elapsed time on 8 cpus = 38 s/iter
 - Peak memory (coupled solver)
 - ~40 G

Convergence

EnviroWizard with Overset

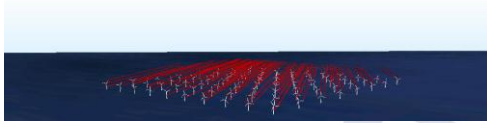
6 m/s case

EnviroWizard with Overset

6 m/s case

Conclusions

- STAR-CCM+ is an open toolbox for simulating many aspects of wind engineering.
- Here we demonstrate a new feature of STAR-CCM+ v702 which has the possibility to greatly simplify the setup and calculation of offshore arrays using the overset method.



Offshore Wind Farm Optimisation

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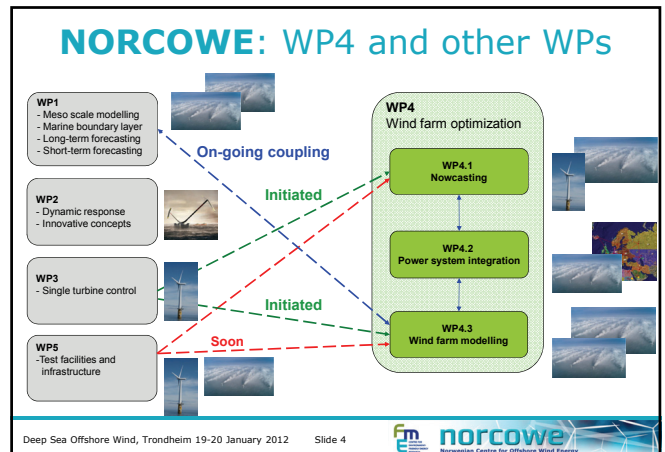


Outline

- WP4 in NORCOWE
- Vision for WP4
- Challenges
- Modelling
- FLACS-Wind
- Activities 2012
- Reflections
- Questions?



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Vision NORCOWE WP4

- Develop a fully integrated model system for optimising the layout of (offshore) wind farms!
 - CFD code(s) with subgrid models validated against experiments and/or more detailed CFD simulations!
 - One-way coupling to relevant meso-scale models (from WP1)!
 - Run manager that can incorporate weather and wave statistics, as well as other site-specific constraints: depth, bottom conditions, shipping lanes, environmental constraints, ...
 - Models for electrical system and network integration: cable length, AC vs. DC, transformers, ...
 - Integrated optimisation scheme for farm layout that takes advantage of parameter reduction and/or artificial neural networks (ANN)
 - Updated documentation to support users and investment decisions!

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Vision

- Establish integrated model system:
 - Layout
 - Operation
 - Short-term forecasting?
- Validation
- Improvements
- Validation
- Improvements
- ...

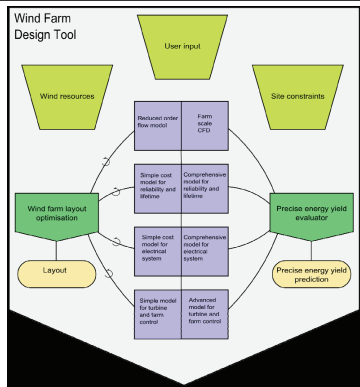
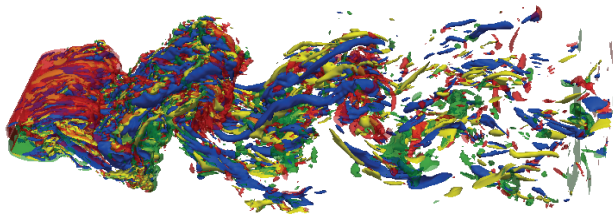


Illustration from the «KULING» proposal – FP7 Energy 2011.



The main challenge



Turbulent wake behind a normal flat plate, *Int. J. Heat Fluid Flow* (2009): <https://sites.google.com/site/vageshnd/>

Turbulence

"My favourite definition of turbulence is that it is the general solution of the Navier-Stokes equations."

"Turbulence: The Chief Outstanding Difficulty of our Subject"
Bradshaw, P. (1994). *Experiments in Fluids*, **16**: 203-216

Governing equations

Conservation of Mass:

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (\rho u_j) = 0$$

Conservation of Momentum:

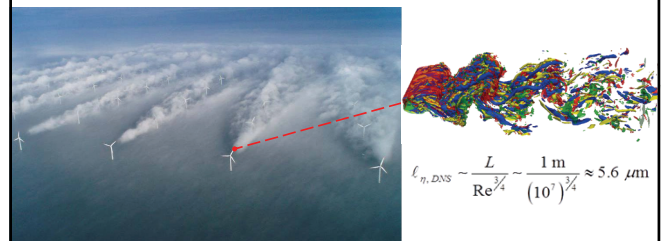
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho u_i) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (\rho u_j u_i) = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\underbrace{\mu \left(\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right)}_{\tau_{ij}} + \left(\mu_b - \frac{2}{3} \mu \right) \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x_k} \delta_{ij} \right) + \rho a_i$$

Conservation of Energy:

$$\underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho h) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (\rho h u_j)}_{\rho \frac{Dh}{Dt}} = \underbrace{\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} + u_j \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_j}}_{\frac{Dp}{Dt}} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (J_{h,j}) + S_h$$

Unfortunately

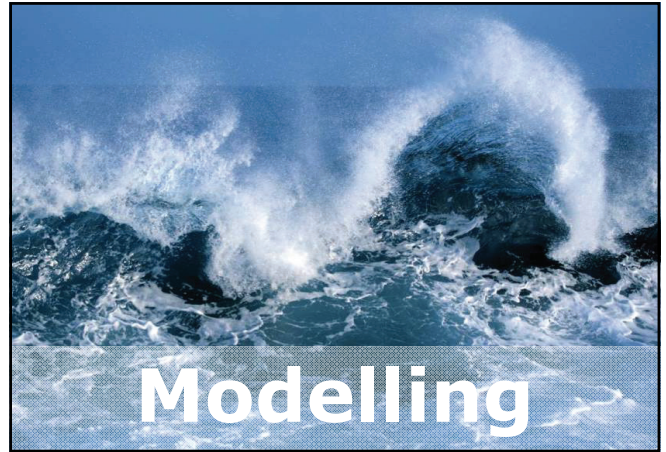
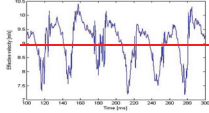
$$N_{grid, DNS} \sim Re^{3/4} \sim \left(\frac{UL}{\nu} \right)^{3/4} \sim \left(\frac{100 \text{ m s}^{-1} \cdot 1 \text{ m}}{10^{-3} \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}} \right)^{3/4} \sim (10^7)^{3/4} \sim 5.6 \cdot 10^5 = 5.6 \text{ quadrillion}$$



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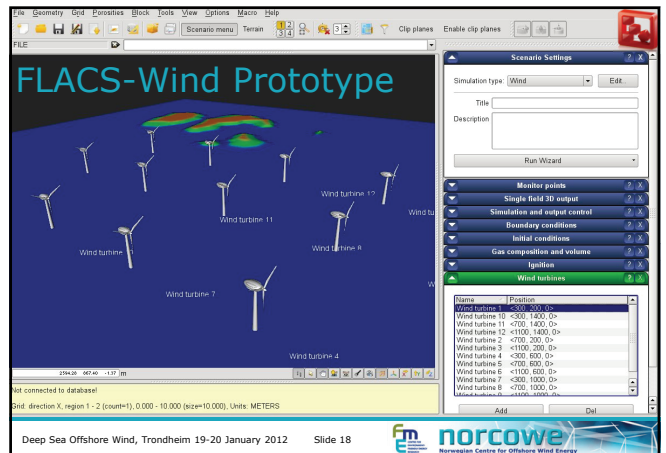
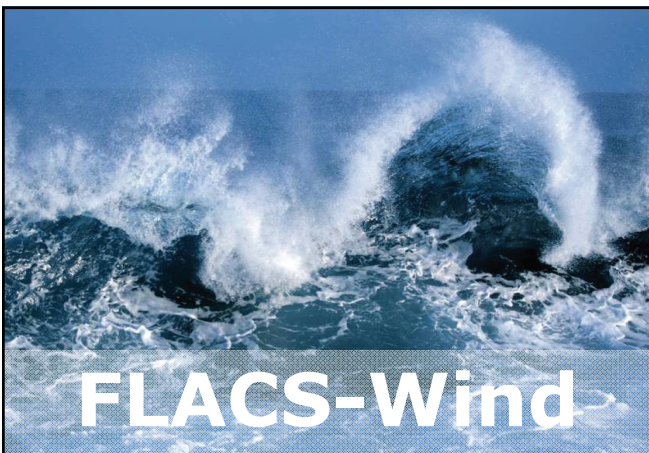
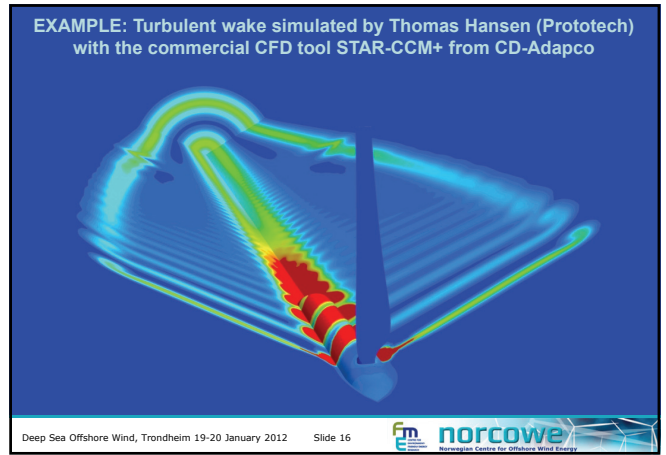
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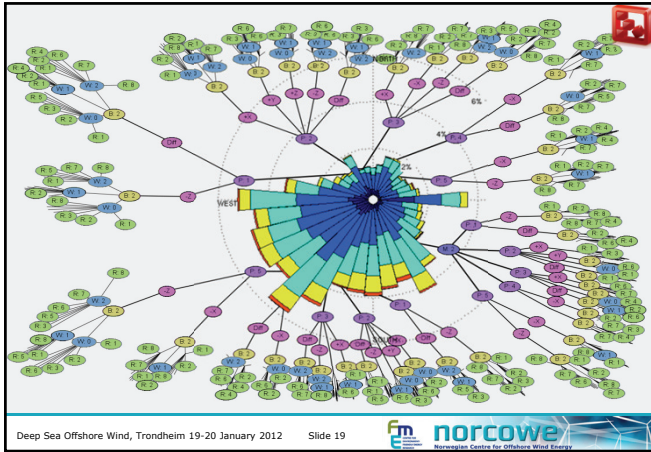
- We have to resort to 'modelling': LES, RANS, ... or: "get our hands dirty"!
- ... and we quickly run into questions such as:
 - The required spatial and temporal resolution for CFD?
 - Validating subgrid models?
 - Measuring turbulence?
 - Processing simulated data?
 - Processing experimental data?
 - Comparing experimental and simulated data?
 - How far can we extrapolate results from the model?



Modelling in NORCOWE WP4

- **Prototech:**
 - Relatively detailed wake modelling with a $k-\omega$ Shear Stress Transport (SST) formulation in the commercial CFD solver **STAR-CCM+** from CD-Adapco.
- **StormGeo/UiS & Uni Research:**
 - RANS / LES modelling in the open source CFD solver **OpenFOAM** (GNU GPL), with focus on turbulent wakes, coupling, effect of swell on MBL, etc.
- **GexCon:**
 - RANS modelling in the commercial CFD solver **FLACS-Wind**
- **CMR Computing**
 - Model reduction techniques in combination with CFD, in order to reduce calculation time ...
- **Uni Research**
 - Artificial intelligence (AI) and Artificial Neural Networks (ANN), in order to avoid solving the Navier Stokes equations ...





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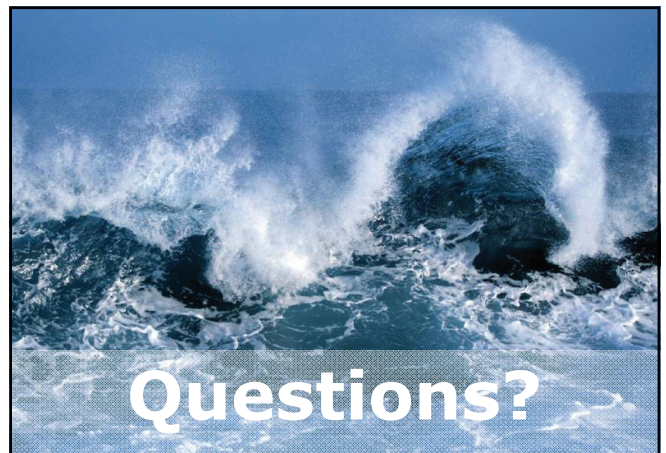
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Reflections

- Approach to research / engineering
 - Blade ⇒ Turbine ⇒ Near Wake ⇒ Far wake ⇒ Wind farm ⇒ ... or jump to full scale wind farm and tune the model?
- Urgent need for validation data
 - Limited access to data from full-scale wind farms!
 - Uncertainty / variation in site-specific data?
- Sources of uncertainty
 - Model uncertainties vs. weather predictions!
 - Downscaling from meso scale: 3-30 km ⇒ 1-10 m
 - Marine boundary layer: wind-wave interactions!
- Importance vs. urgency
 - It takes time to develop a complex model system!
 - Attempts at boosting the funding for the modelling work have thus far proven unsuccessful.

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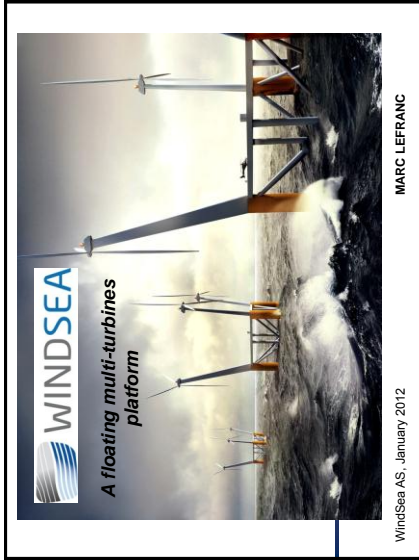


Closing session

Considerations when designing large wind turbines, Torolf Pettersen, Blaaster
(no presentation available)

A floating multi-turbine platform, Marc Lefranc, WindSea

Innovations in Offshore Wind Technology the We@Sea programme,
Jos Beurskens, ECN



WINDSEA
A floating multi-turbines platform

MARC LEFRANC
WindSea AS, January 2012

The Company

WINDSEA

- Norwegian company based in Sandvika
- Established in 2008
- Fixed and floating foundations for offshore wind
- Owned by NLI and FORCE Technology

NLI

- Norwegian company
- Engineering, fabrication, and technology
- Offshore oil & gas, and hydropower
- 2000 employees
- 50% owner in WindSea

FORCE TECHNOLOGY

- Norwegian/Danish company
- Engineering, material technology and inspection
- Offshore oil & gas, and wind power
- 1200 employees
- 50% owner in WindSea

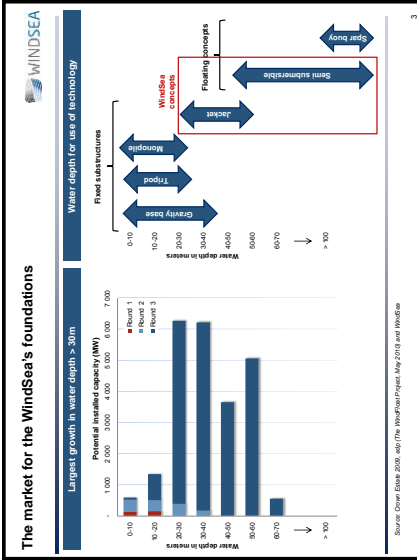
WindSea's solutions

Floating platform

- ✓ Semi-submersible platform
- ✓ Applicable from 45 meters to very deep water
- ✓ Carries three full size (5MW+) turbines
- ✓ Some R&D work still needed

Fixed jacket structure

- ✓ Simple jacket structure
- ✓ Applicable from 20-50 meters
- ✓ Cost effective fabrication and installation
- ✓ Concept is ready for commercial projects



WindSea's jacket concept - cost effective fabrication, transport and installation

The WindSea jacket

Key facts

| | |
|----------------------|--|
| Design | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vertical legs • Modular design • Piling through legs |
| Turbines | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All commercial offshore turbines |
| Water depth: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20-50 meters |
| Access system | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effective and secure boat landing and staircase system |
| Status | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concept ready for commercial use |


WindSea Floater: Key Facts

- Semi-submersible platform
- Three columns
- Three turbines
- Mooring system connected by a "turret".
- Self orientation against the wind
- Inclined towers

Key Facts

- Build complete platform at yard
- Tow with commissioned turbines
- Pre-installed anchor system
- Platform self oriented to the wind
- Easy connection to mooring system
- Optimum power production
- Based on proven technology
- Easy access by helicopter or boat
- Large deck area: allow for maintenance
- May be easily towed back to yard for major repair and inspection

Wake Effect / Turbulence



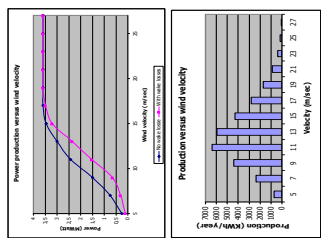
Wake Effect / Turbulence

- Reduction of power production at the rear turbine
- No turbulence effect from the up wind turbines on the rear turbine
- Inclined towers result in less interaction with the rotor blades

Power production

Based on a specific field data, a specific turbine type.

- Total power production of 3 standing alone turbines: 44.5 GWh/year
- Rear turbine power reduction: 25 %
- Total power production for Windsea: 41,4 GWh/year
- 93% of the theoretical

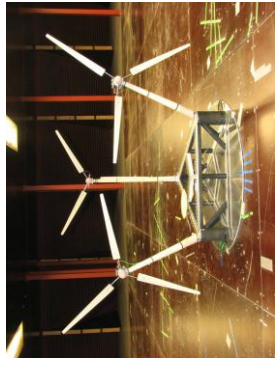


Model Test: Validation of the concept



- Validate the main principles of the concept and prove its physical feasibility.
- Verify interaction between turbines.
- Verify effect of turbines on vessel motion.
- Verify effect of vessel motion on power production.
- Verify the self-orientation property.

Model Test: Wind Tunnel



- Aerodynamic interaction in-between the turbines. Scale 1:150

Model Test: Wind Tunnel

- One wind velocity, 5 directions
- The power of the aft turbine was reduced to 89% of the average of port and starboard turbine power.
- The forward turbines were only marginally affected by one another or by the aft turbine.

The graph plots Power output (Y-axis, -5 to 5) against Angle of incidence (X-axis, -15 to 15). The Port Turbine (blue line) shows a peak power output of approximately 4.5 at 0 degrees. The Aft Turbine (red line) shows a peak power output of approximately 3.5 at 0 degrees. The Starboard Turbine (green line) shows a peak power output of approximately 4.5 at 0 degrees. All three turbines show a significant drop in power output as the angle of incidence increases to 15 degrees.

Model Test: Wave Basin

- Interaction between Wave and wind induced motion. Scale 1:64

The photograph shows a scale model of a wind turbine in a wave basin. The turbine is illuminated with blue and red lights, and the water surface is dark. The turbine is positioned in the center of the basin, and the waves are visible around it.

Model Test: Wave Basin

| Maximum Motion | Pitch | |
|----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| | Without turbine | With turbine |
| Hs | 0.4 m | 0.6* |
| 2,5 m | 1,8 m | 2,2* |
| 5,5 m | 1,6 m | 1,8* |
| 13,8 m | 8,5 m | 6,7 m |

| Standard deviation | Pitch | |
|--------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| | Without turbine | With turbine |
| Hs | 0.1 m | 0.17* |
| 2,5 m | 0.4 m | 0.38* |
| 5,5 m | 2,5 m | 2,5 m |
| 13,8 m | 2,5 m | 2,5 m |

* This high value is due to operational problems during the test. A more refined analysis of the time history is required. Value around 0,15 is most likely.

Model Test: Wave Basin

| Power production | Turbine 1 | | Turbine 2 | | Aft Turbine | |
|------------------|-----------|-----|-----------|-----|-------------|-----|
| | Hs | 0 m | 3,0 | 3,0 | 3,0 | 1,4 |
| 2,5 m | 3,0 | 3,0 | 3,0 | 3,3 | 1,4 | 1,2 |
| 5,5 m | 3,1 | 3,5 | 3,0 | 3,0 | 1,4 | 1,3 |
| 13,8 m | | | | | | |


Model Test: Conclusions

- Results in accordance with calculations
- No interaction between the two up-wind turbines
- Reduction of power production for the rear turbine
- Heave motion identical for both conditions: with and without turbines
- Pitch motion slightly increased when turbines are in action (Hs 5,5 m: 2,2° to 3,1°)
- Power production almost independent of the sea state

CONCLUSION

- WindSea Concept has been proven to be feasible.
- WindSea has a wide range of application area.
- WindSea reduces the cost of installation.
- WindSea reduces the maintenance cost.
- Economic analysis shows that the cost per MW is at lower bound of today's solutions.
- Further optimisation / tests will bring the cost lower.

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Thank You for Your attention

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Innovations in offshore wind technology; the We@Sea programme

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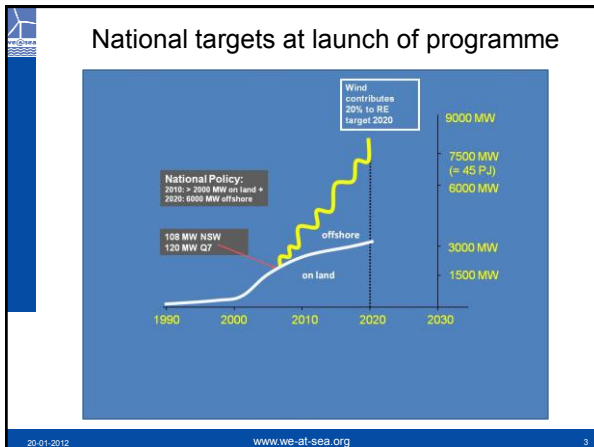
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The We@Sea project

- Project defined in 2002-2003
- Started in 2004
- Concluded 2010
- Total budget: M€ 26

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Participants We@Sea consortium

R&D Establishments

- ECN
- TNO
- TU-Delft
- WMC BV

Offshore technology

- Ballast Nedam
- Fabricom
- Fugro Engineers BV
- GustoMSC
- Lloyd's Register NL

Energy consultants:

- Kema Power
- Ecofys

Environment, nature & safety

- IMARES
- Bureau Waardenburg
- TNO
- Greenpeace
- Stichting Noordzee
- University Twente

Project developers

- E-connection,
- Evelop
- Shell Wind Energy BV

Energy sector

- Delta
- ENECO
- Nuon/vattenfall
- Statkraft
- TenneT

Wind turbine manufacturers

- GE wind energy
- Vestas
- XEMC Darwind

Wind energy technology

- Smulders Group
- Siemens

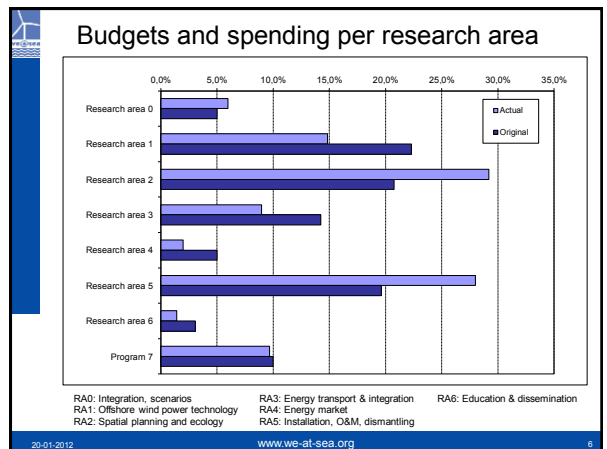
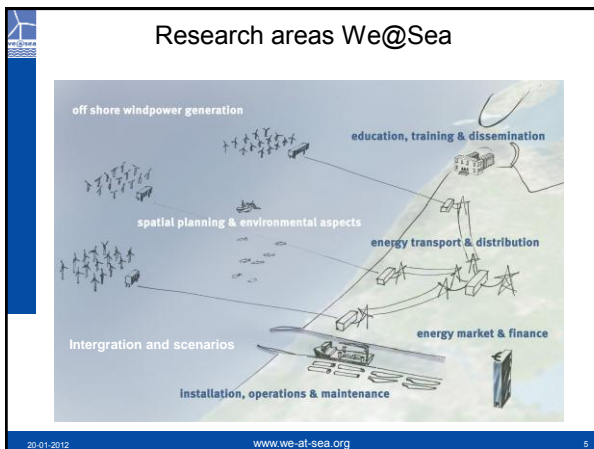
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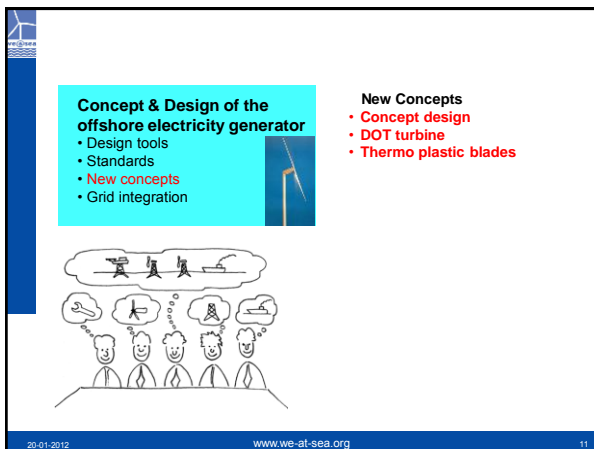
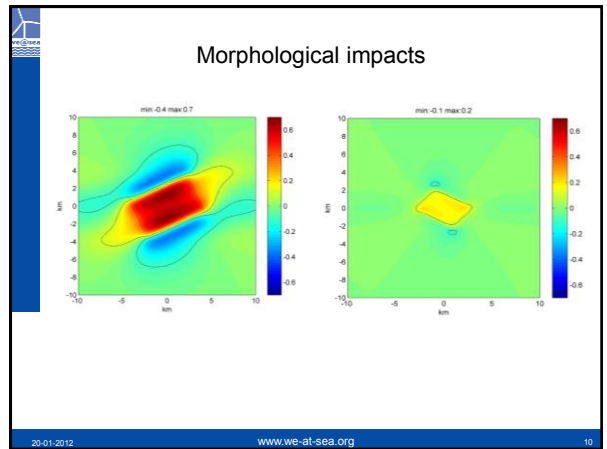
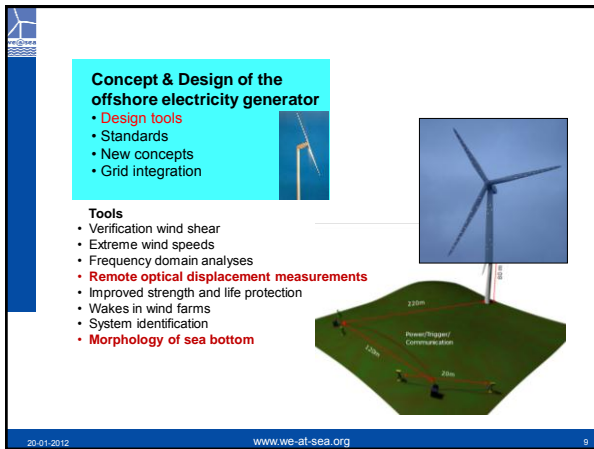
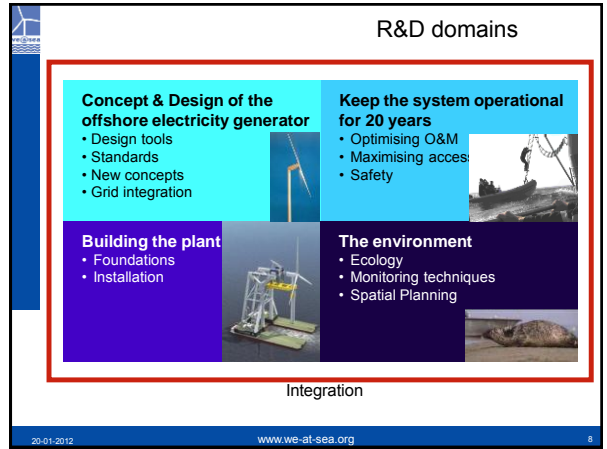
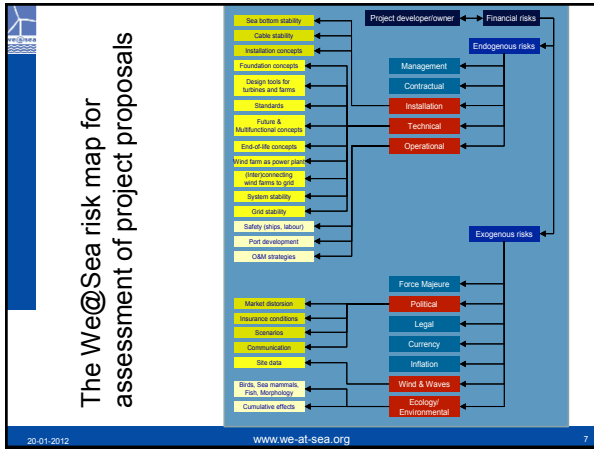
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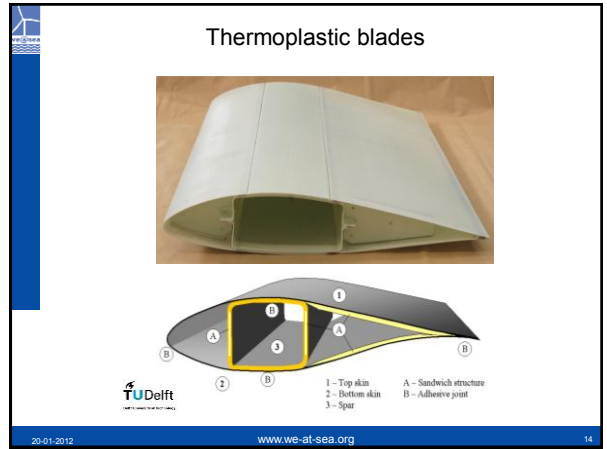
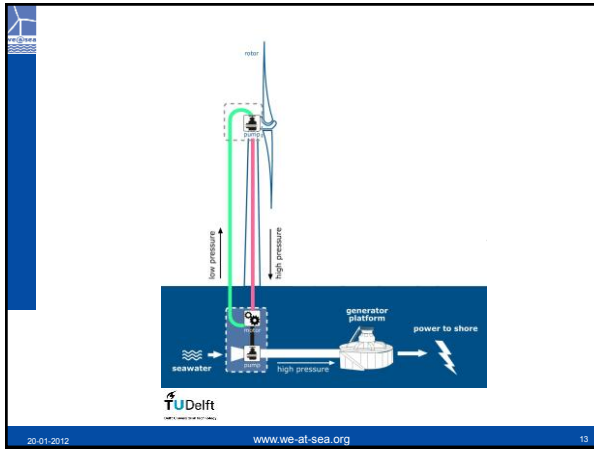
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| Requirement | Solution | Concepts |
|--|--|---|
| Up scaling (Full blade pitch becomes ineffective due to large variations in the wind field in the rotor plane) | Distributed blade control with advanced (LIDAR based) control systems | Upstream, Vestas |
| Reliability | Reduced number of components (central conversion unit in wind farm, direct drive generators, passive yawing) | Legnerey, DCT, Heliocentric conversion |
| Weight reduction | Two bladed rotor (reduces rotor weight and increases rotor speed, which leads to reduced drive train weight) | 2Bl Energy, 2Blade, Sork, Ultra-turbine |
| Integrated operations and design | Transport of floating components, Self erecting and installing systems | Deep Wind, Searam-Sea, Sway |
| Serviceability | Access technology | Z-Technology, Amphibious |
| Maintainability | Floating cantilever structures | Legnerey |
| Wind farm efficiency | Movable foundations Non conventional wind farm lay outs | Tipfarm, (Movable Foundations) |



Concept & Design of the offshore electricity generator

- Design tools
- Standards
- New concepts
- **Grid integration**

Grid issues

- Wind farm as a power plant
- Electrical modeling of an offshore wind farm
- **Balancing large offshore WE**
- **Interconnectors**
- Grid stability

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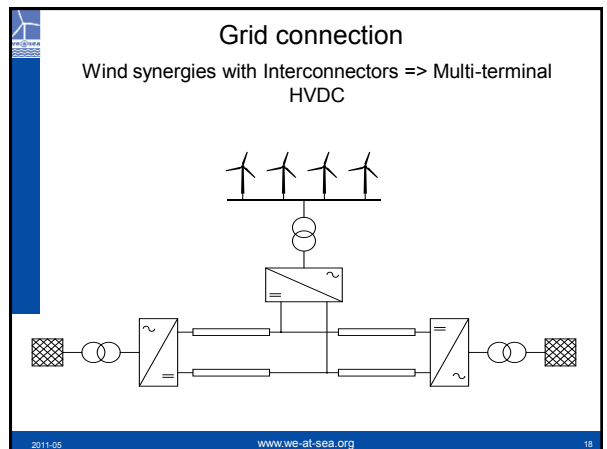
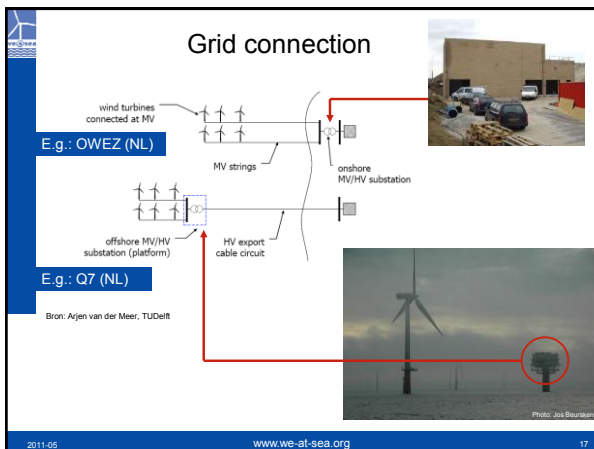
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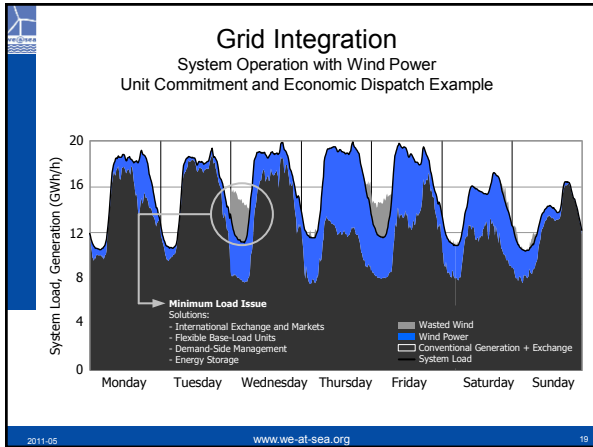
Multi-terminal VSC-HVDC

- Increased need for cross-border interconnection capacity
- Utilization factor increases
- Reliability improves
- Synergies with other offshore applications

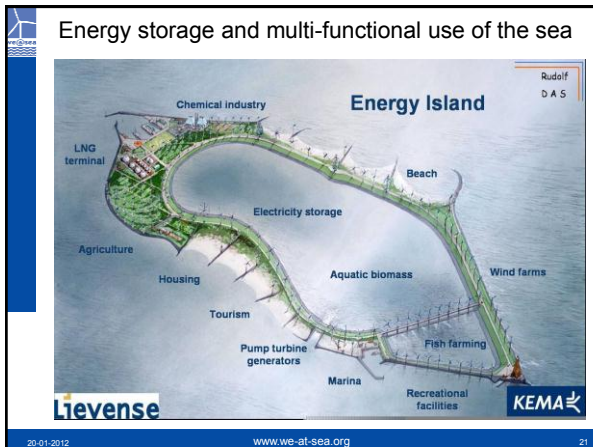
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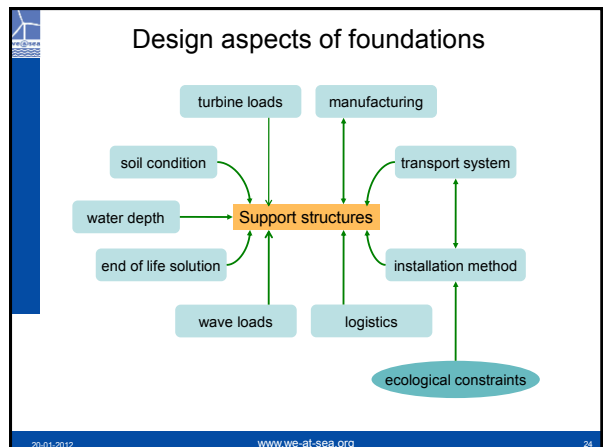
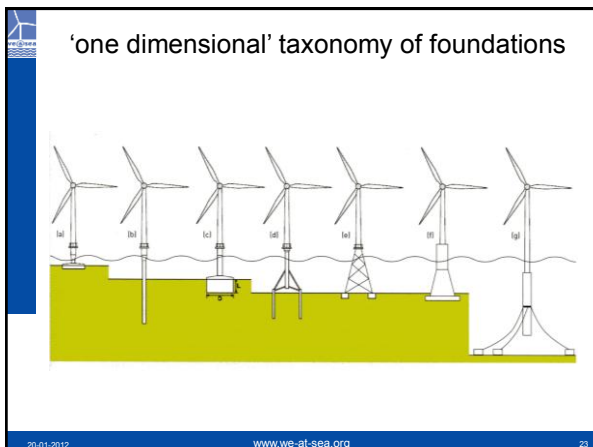


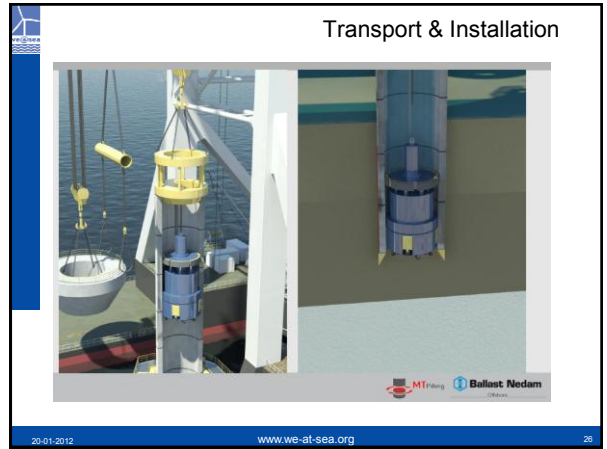
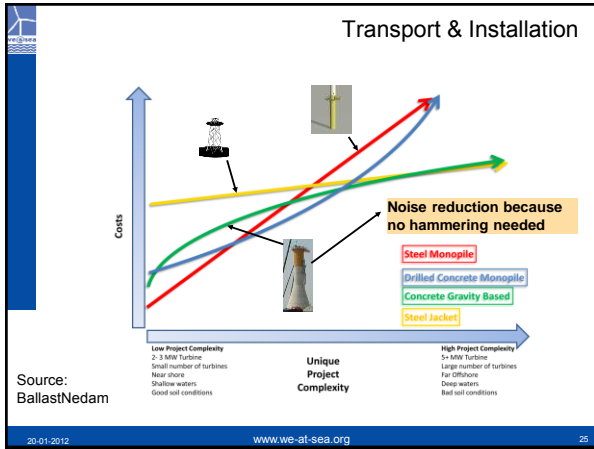


- ### NL system balancing with 6 GW offshore wind power
- A powerful UC-ED model developed for studying the Dutch power system
 - **Thermal generation can cope with balancing** most of the time,
 - Critical situations: low load high wind. **More flexible international power exchange can avoid wasting wind.**
 - **Wind significantly reduces operational cost of power generation**, reduces power imports, increases exports: international exchange is key for integration
 - **Energy storage definitely not the most attractive balancing solution**
 - Rather: use of heat boilers at CHP sites and additional interconnection capacity e.g. with Norway
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- ### Building the plant
- Foundations
 - Installation
-
- ### Installation & Foundation
- **Integration of foundations and installation and efficiency of installation**
 - **Site and environmentally specific.**
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O&M

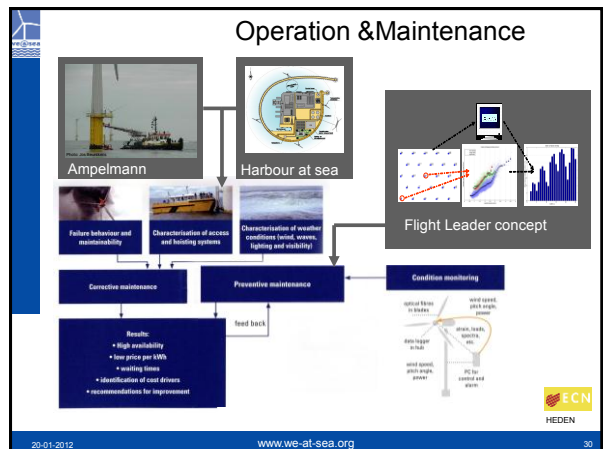
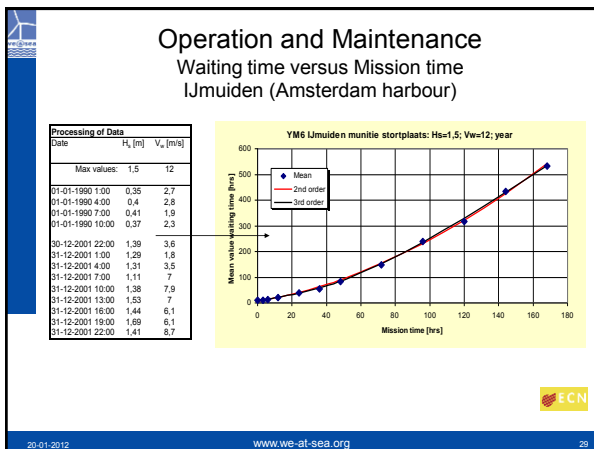
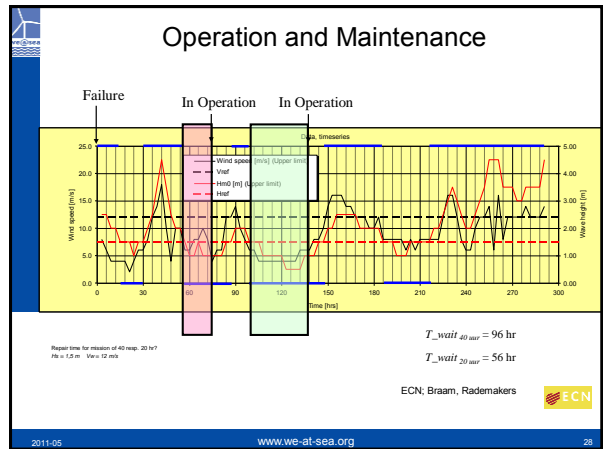
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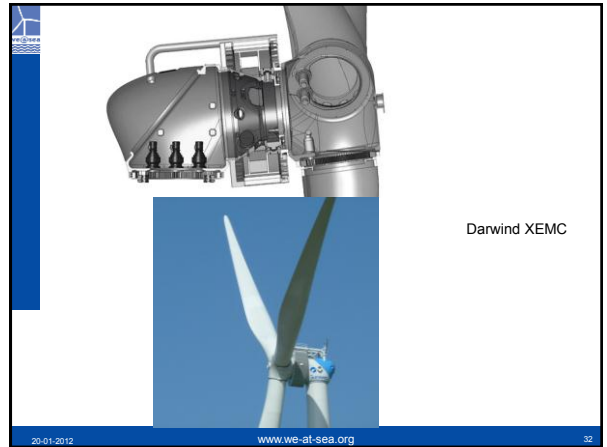
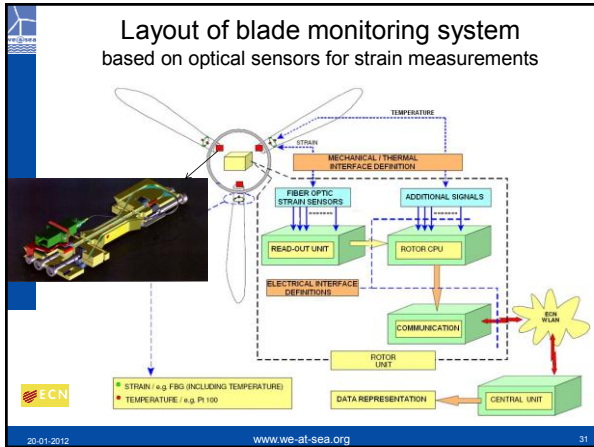
- O&M planning phase (estimates annual O&M costs)
- Condition based maintenance
- Flight leader concept
- Logistic facilities

Keep the system operational for 20 years

- Optimising O&M
- Maximising access
- Safety

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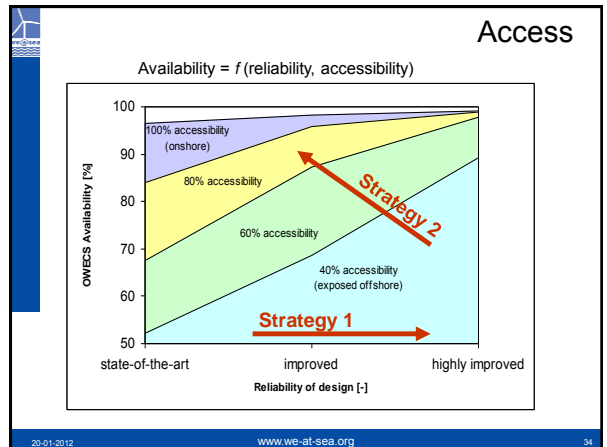
Access

- **Ampelmann concept tested** (First applications in oil & gas sector!)

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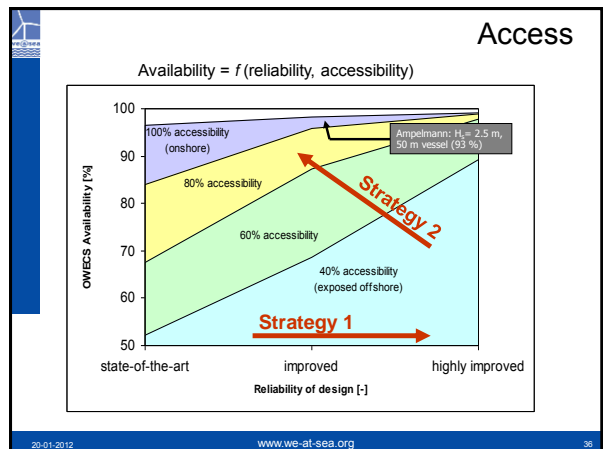
Access technology

Ampelmann concept

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Access technology Ampelmann concept

| | | |
|--|--|--|
| Type vessel: Anchor handling tug | Type vessel: Multi-purpose vessel | Type vessel: Offshore support vessel |
| Dimensions: 26m x 10m x 2.5m | Dimensions: 55m x 10m x 3.8m | Dimensions: 70m x 16m x 5.6m |
| Displacement: 120 tons | Displacement: 850 tons | Displacement: 4500 tons |
| Max. sea state: H _s = 2.5m | Max. sea state: H _s = 2.5m | Max. sea state: H _s = 3.0m |
| Workability: 80% (S. North Sea) | Workability: 80% (S. North Sea) | Workability: 80% (S. North Sea) |

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Working harbours

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Logistics Spreads of ships

| | |
|---------------------|--|
| During installation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transport, installation of wind turbine system • Cable laying vessels • Scour protection • Personnel tenders • Supervision |
| Operational phase | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personnel tenders • Access vessels for personnel • Access vessels for components (large & small) • Emergency |

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Harbour at Sea

Optimisation:

- Fuel consumption per service mission
- Docking performance
- Time of round trip

Various options for interventions at sea, depending of the type of activity.

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Harbour at Sea

750 m

Liewewe, R. Prins

750 M€
Capacity 1000 MW/year
T = 5 to 7 years

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Functions of Harbour at Sea

| | |
|---|---|
| For WE: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Station for transport, assembling, maintenance 2. Accommodation for personnel 3. Spare parts storage 4. Workshops 5. Commissioning facilities for entire wind turbines 6. Test sites 7. Transformer station for wind farm 8. Electrical sub-station for land connection and offshore circuit | Other functions: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Aquaculture for feedstock materials and food 2. Emergency shelter 3. Marina 4. Gas-to-wire units 5. Logistics centre for fishery 6. Coast guard station 7. Life boat service |
|---|---|

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Another type of a harbour at sea

Source: Renout Prins

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Ecology

Make EIA's efficient & lean

Environmental Aspects from Strategic Environmental Assessments (21 !!)

- Geology, seabed sediments, and sediment transport
- Marine and coastal processes
- Seabed contamination
- Water quality
- Protected sites and species
- Benthic ecology
- Fish and shellfish
- Marine birds
- Marine mammals
- Coastal fisheries
- Historic places and structures
- Cables and pipelines
- Military activities and radar
- Disposal areas
- Shipping and navigation
- Tourism and recreation
- Noise
- Electromagnetic fields
- Seascape and view shed
- Onshore grid connection
- Decommissioning

Source: Bonnie Ram

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The environment

- Ecology
- Monitoring techniques
- Spatial Planning

Most important ecological issues

Birds (migration)

Marine mammals (sound during installation)

Fish (Positive effects, negative effects during hammering?)

Automatic monitoring

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WT Bird

Monitoring techniques

- WT Bird
- Bird radar Robin Light
- DIDSON (fish detection)
- Acoustic monitoring of dolphins and porpoises

The environment

- Ecology
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Robin Lite Birds radar

TNO

First applied at Schiphol after emergency landing of Air Maroc plane

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Sea mammals & Fish detection

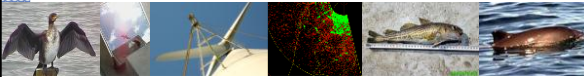
Acoustic detection of porpoises and dolphin

Fish detection with DIDSON equipment

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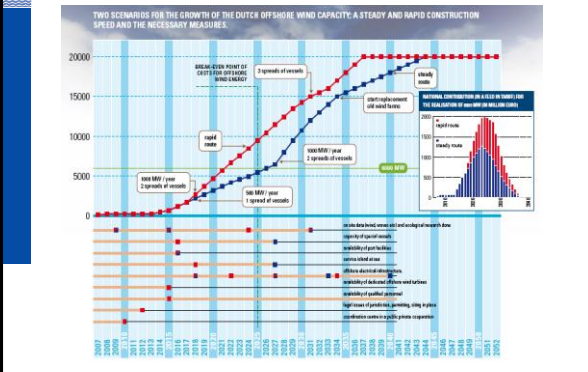
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Ecological issues



- The more research is conducted
- the less anticipated problems appear to be real ones,
- the more mitigating measures appear possible and effective,
- However, cumulative effects are still unknown

NL Policy master plan



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Master plan

- on site data (wind, waves etc) and ecological research done
- capacity of special vessels
- availability of port facilities
- service island at sea
- offshore electrical infrastructure.
- availability of dedicated offshore wind turbines
- availability of qualified personnel
- legal issues of jurisdiction, permitting, siting in place
- coordination centre in a public private cooperation

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Concluding remarks

Potential Obstacles towards LS offshore WE

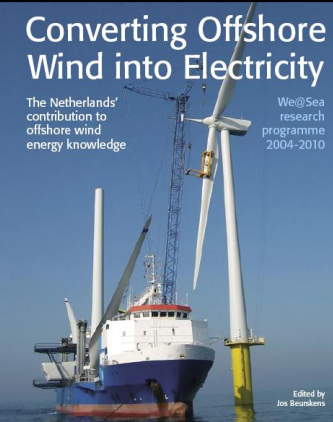
- How to enter in the overall learning curve? (All projects are unique, lack of sharing operational & planning experience, lack of standardisation,
- Lack of dedicated transport, installation, access vessels, logistic centres (harbour facilities (at sea))
- Support structures manufacturing critical
- For the far future: dedicated offshore wind turbines, including full set of design tools are needed
- Spatial plan at sea lagging behind to actual developments
- Coherence of spatial plans between bordering countries needed
- Grid at sea requires international spatial planning based on ecological considerations and claims of other users of the sea
- Cumulative effects on ecosystem unknown
- Electrical infrastructure at sea not available in time; broad concept and standards needed
- Experts and trained personnel not available in time

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