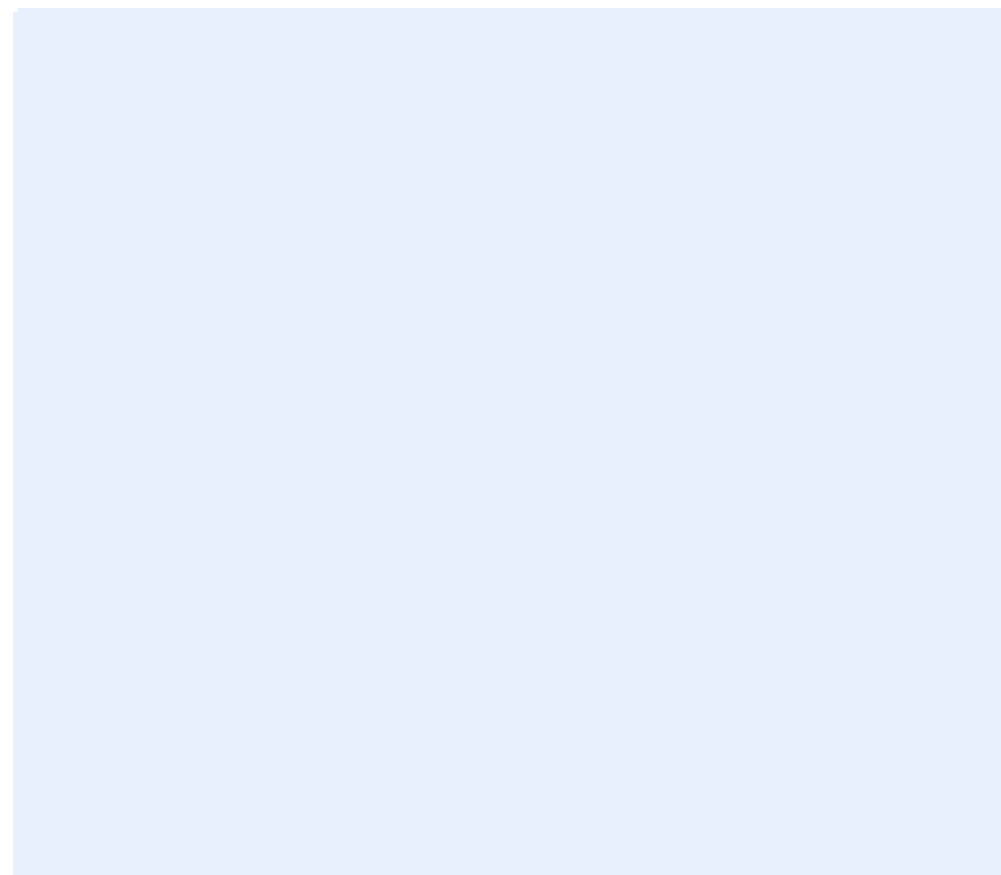


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### ABSTRACT

This report includes the presentations from the wind power R&D seminar 20-21 January 2011 in Trondheim, Norway. The research and development on deep sea offshore wind power is addressed through invited presentations by industry and research. Emphasis is on presenting results from the strong Norwegian research programmes on offshore wind power.

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
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	<b>Thursday 20 January</b>		
09.00	Registration & coffee		
	<b>Opening session – offshore wind opportunities</b> Chairs: John Olav Tande, SINTEF/NOWITECH and Kristin Guldbrandsen Frøysa, CMR/NORCOWE		
09.30	Opening and welcome by chair		
09.40	<i>Norway as a battery for Europe – prospects for supply of technology and services</i> Jon Dugstad, Regional Director INTPOW		
10.10	<i>Potential supplies from Norwegian industry to offshore wind developments</i> Asle Lygre, Arena NOW		
10.30	<i>New research initiatives for advancing development of deep sea offshore wind technology</i> John Olav Giæver Tande, Director NOWITECH / Senior Scientist SINTEF Energy Research		
11.00	<i>Norwegian met/ocean infrastructure for offshore wind energy research</i> Prof. Joachim Reuder, University of Bergen		
11.30	<i>Plans for Havsul offshore wind farm</i> Tore Engevik, Vestavind Offshore		
11.50	Summary and discussions by chair		
12.00	Lunch		
	Parallel sessions		
	<b>A1) New turbine technology</b> Chairs: Jasna B. Jakobsen, Uni. of Stavanger, Roy Stenbro, IFE	<b>B1) Power system integration</b> Chairs: Prof Tore Undeland, NTNU, Prof Kjetil Uhlen, NTNU	<b>C1) Met-ocean conditions</b> Chairs: Prof Jochen Reuder, Uni. of Bergen, Erik Berge, IFE
13.00	Introduction by Chair	Introduction by Chair	Introduction by Chair
13.10	<i>Development of the SWAY tower concept;</i> Michal Forland, SWAY	<i>Offshore Wind farm Grid Integration challenges, Doggerbank;</i> Sharifabadi Kamran, Statkraft	<i>Conditions for Offshore Wind Energy Use;</i> Prof D Heinemann, Uni. Oldenburg
13.30	<i>Loads analysis of selected floating designs;</i> Amy Robertson, NREL	<i>Offshore grid developments;</i> Kjartan Hauglum, Statnett	<i>Atmospheric profiling by lidar for wind energy research;</i> Torben Mikkelsen, DTU Risø
14.00	<i>Aluminium as a viable solution for offshore wind turbines;</i> Simon Jupp, Hydro Aluminium	<i>Characterization and modelling of the power output variability of wind farms;</i> Prof Hans Georg Beyer, Uni of Agder	<i>From tower to tower;</i> Svein Erling Hansen, Fugro Oceanor
14.20	<i>HiPRWind – large floating turbines for intermediate water depths;</i> Jochen Bard, Fraunhofer IWES	<i>Supply of offshore wind energy to oil and gas installations;</i> Harald Svendsen, SINTEF	<i>The effects of ocean waves on offshore wind generators;</i> Alastair Jenkins, Uni Research
14.40	<i>Prospects of large floating vertical axis wind turbines;</i> Uwe Schmidt Paulsen, Risø DTU	<i>Balancing offshore wind;</i> Post Doc Steve Völler, NTNU	<i>Large Eddy Simulation;</i> Alla Saponova, Uni Research
15.00	Refreshments		
	<b>A2) New turbine technology</b> Chairs: Conrad Carstensen, Uni. of Stavanger, BW Tveiten, SINTEF	<b>B2) Grid connection</b> Chairs: Prof Tore Undeland, NTNU, Prof K Uhlen, NTNU	<b>C2) Met-ocean conditions</b> Chairs: Prof Jochen Reuder, Uni. of Bergen, Erik Berge, IFE
15.30	Introduction by Chair	Introduction by Chair	Introduction by Chair
15.35	<i>Novel PM generators for large wind turbines;</i> Alexey Matveev, SmartMotor	<i>Challenges and design of offshore substations;</i> C. Olerud, Goodtech Projects & Services	<i>Wave extremes in the Northeast Atlantic;</i> Ole Johan Aarnes, met.no
15.55	<i>Novel methodology for fatigue design of wind turbine components of ductile cast iron;</i> Prof G Härkegård, NTNU	<i>Voltage control of wind power plants with DFIG;</i> Jorge Martínez García, Vestas	<i>The HyWind forecasting project;</i> Birgitte Furevik, met.no
16.15	<i>New power electronic schemes for large wind turbines;</i> Prof Marta Molinas, NTNU	<i>Wind farm measurements and model validation;</i> Prof Kjetil Uhlen, NTNU	<i>A comparison of sonic and lidar-sensed wind velocity;</i> PhD stud Fabio Pierella, NTNU
16.35	<i>Need for international standards on floating offshore wind turbines;</i> Johan Sandberg, DNV	<i>Transient analysis of transformers and cables for offshore wind connection;</i> Bjørn Gustavsen, SINTEF	<i>Design and operation of floating met-masts;</i> Israel Pinto Grijuela, Grupo APIAXXI
16.55	Closing by Chair	Closing by Chair	Closing by Chair
17.00	<b>Poster Session with refreshments and presentation of PhD students on offshore wind</b>		
19.00	Dinner		



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	<b>Friday 21 January</b>		
	<b>Parallel sessions</b>		
	<b>D) Operations &amp; maintenance</b> Chairs: Jørn Heggset, SINTEF, Hans Georg Beyer, Uni. of Agder	<b>E) Installation &amp; sub-structures</b> Chairs: Prof Geir Moe, NTNU, Prof Ivar Langen, Uni of Stavanger	<b>F) Wind farm modelling</b> Chairs: Prof Trond Kvamsdal, NTNU, Lene Sælen, CMR Gexcon
09.00	Introduction by Chair	Introduction by Chair	Introduction by Chair
09.05	<i>The German wind turbine reliability database (WMEP);</i> Jochen Bard, Fraunhofer IWES	<i>Coupled analysis of floating wind turbines;</i> Elizabeth Passano, MARINTEK	<i>Wakes between large wind farms;</i> Idar Barstad, Uni Research
09.25	<i>Framework for risk-based O&amp;M planning for offshore wind turbines;</i> Prof John D Sørensen, Uni. of Aalborg	<i>The effects of breaking wave-induced currents;</i> PhD stud Sung-Jin Choi, Uni of Stavanger	<i>Wake models compared with measurements;</i> Jennifer van Rij, IFE
09.45	<i>Cooperation on O&amp;M and LCC analysis with Vattenfall;</i> F. Besnard, Chalmers Uni. Technology	<i>Analysis of piled foundations by means of various soil models;</i> PhD stud Eric van Buren, NTNU	<i>Wind and wake modelling using CFD;</i> Jens A Melheim, CMR GexCon
10.05	<i>HSE challenges of installing and operating offshore wind farms;</i> Camilla Tveiten, SINTEF	<i>Installation of bottom supported wind turbines at Sheringham Shoal;</i> Jan Ingar Knutsen, Master Marine	<i>A model study of wind turbine interference;</i> Prof Per Åge Krogstad, NTNU
10.25	Closing by Chair	Closing by Chair	Closing by Chair
10.30	Refreshments		
	<b>Closing session – Success stories from Offshore Wind Research, Development and Deployment</b> Chairs: John Olav Tande, SINTEF/NOWITECH and Kristin Guldbrandsen Frøysa, CMR/NORCOWE		
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12.45	<i>Research gives results</i> Espen B Christophersen, Research Council of Norway		
13.05	Closing by Chair		
13.10	Lunch		



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## **Opening Session – offshore wind opportunities**

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Plans for Havsul offshore wind farm,  
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**Norway as a battery for Europe – prospects for supply of technology and services**



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## Is offshore wind the New Oil?

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### Summary of the offshore wind energy market in the EU in 2010:

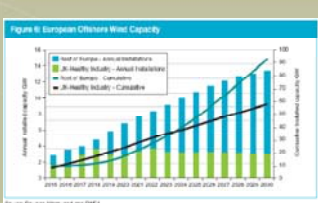
- Total installed capacity of 3,000 MW
- Annual installations of 1,100 MW
- Electricity production of 11 TWh
- Meeting 0.3% of total EU electricity demand
- Avoiding 7 Mt of CO<sub>2</sub> annually
- Annual investments in wind turbines of €2.5 billion

### Summary of the offshore wind energy market in the EU in 2030:

- Total installed capacity of 150,000 MW
- Annual installations of 13,690 MW
- Electricity production of 563 TWh
- Meeting between 12.8% and 16.7% of total EU electricity demand
- Avoiding 292 Mt of CO<sub>2</sub> annually
- Annual investments in wind turbines of €16.5 billion

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## The big picture



Source: Douglas Mitchell and EWEA

- In 2009, the proportion of UK electricity generated from renewables was 5.5%. Installed electrical generating capacity of renewable sources rose by 19% in 2008, with a 49% increase in offshore wind capacity. In 2009 less due to the financial crisis.
- According to the Chinese "Development Plan on Emerging Energies", offshore wind power is expected to reach 30 gigawatts, and coastal provinces were required to start drafting offshore wind-grid implementation plans.
- US...

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## Installed Offshore Wind in Europe

	Belgium	Denmark	Germany	United Kingdom	Total
N° of farms	1	2	5	8	16
N° of foundations installed	12	55	24	112	163
N° of wind turbines installed	33 (99 MW)	85 (179 MW)	2 (10 MW)	147 (455 MW)	263 (743 MW)
MW fully connected to grid	0	115	30	188	333
Total MW of projects (once completed)	330 MW	207 MW	998 MW	2,437	3,972 MW

2,3 GW installed per June 2010

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## The North Sea Grid


### Implications – for whom?

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## Today

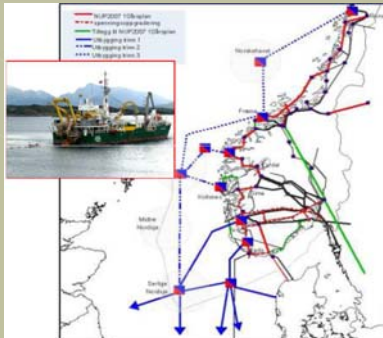
### Today's planning mainly national logics



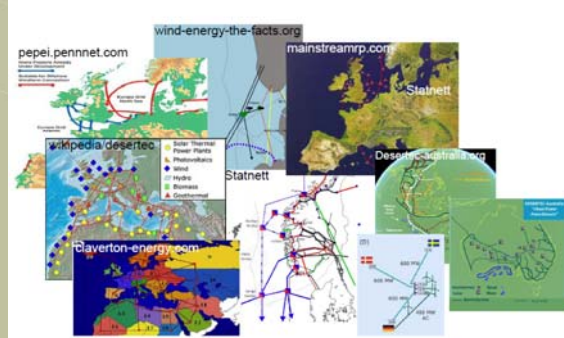
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### Statnett vision for 2020 onwards...



### .. And a number of other concepts...



### Benefiting the European electricity market



#### Securing supply

- Improve the connection between big load centres around the North Sea
- Reduce dependency on gas and oil from unstable regions
- Transmit indigenous offshore renewable electricity to where it can be used onshore
- Bypass onshore electricity transmission bottlenecks

#### Increasing the competition and Market opportunities

- Development of more interconnection between countries and power systems enhances trade and improves competition on the European energy market
- Increased possibilities for arbitrage and limitation of price spikes

#### Facilitating the integration of renewable energy

- Facilitation of large scale offshore wind power plants and other marine technologies
- Enabling wind power and other renewable power's spatial smoothing effects, thus reducing variability and the resulting flexibility needs
- Connection to large hydropower capacity in Scandinavia, introducing flexibility in the power system for compensation of variability from wind power and other renewable power
- Contribution to Europe's 2020 targets for renewables and CO2 emission reductions

### The Challenges



- Cost
  - Financing
- Grid Technology
  - Solved?
- International North Sea cooperation on North sea grid
  - Three working Groups established
    - Technology
    - Policy
    - Regulatory

### Is it feasible?



- DC grids are feasible
- Regional DC grids can be built today – no technology gaps to be solved
- Interregional DC grids will be built in the near future – technology gaps are worked on
- Regulatory issues such as how to manage such new grids need to be solved

### Europe's battery?



## The Norwegian benefits



- Balancing the Norwegian power demand
  - Increasing value of offshore wind power generation
- Better utilisation of hydro power storage capacity
  - Enhancing value of generation facilities
- Electrification of the oil & gas installations
  - Competitive?
- Trading opportunities
  - Statkraft already the largest cross-border trader of power in Europe
- Supply of products and services
  - Cable
  - Engineering
  - Umbilicals - electricals



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## The Norwegian Offshore Wind Industry



### Excellent offshore experience

- Advanced project development experience – RISK MANAGEMENT
- Logistics
- Installation
- O&M
- Environmental
- H&S
- Materials (steel & concrete)
- Innovative Financing – Debt, Equity, Venture Capital

### Integrated numerical design tools

- energy conversion systems
- grid connection and system integration
- operation and maintenance
- Wind and ocean conditions
- Offshore wind technology and innovative concepts
- Offshore deployment and operation
- Wind farm optimisation
- Common themes: education, safety, environmental impact assessment and test facilities and infrastructure

### Public technology development and industry support

- Innovation Norway, Enova
- Arena NOW, Arena Wind

## Challenges to Norwegian Supply Chain



- Insecurity of market
- Lack of domestic market
- Fast growth
  - Lack of resources
  - Size and balance sheet
- Large number of contractors with developers preferring a strategy of multi-contracting
  - Need of large legal resources
  - But – emerging EPC contractors
- Cost requirements
  - technology development
  - Industrialization




## Trends

- Speed and lack of resource
- Needed offshore expertise finding its place in wind
- Cost and learning curves remain steep – innovations
- Value chain positioning business model
- Norwegian Statoil and Statkraft have taken project stakes - Forewind
- EPC, supply chain players take on crucial development role – The German connection?
- Partnering strategies - "compatimates"




INTPOW activities & initiatives



- Past:
  - Networking event in Turkey
  - Visit to Washington
  - State visit to South-Africa
  - INTPOW Solar Day
  - INTPOW 1st Offshore Wind Supply Chain Conference
  - EXPO 2010 Shanghai
  - RenewableUK Offshore Wind 2010
  - ONS 2010
  - Hydro 2010
  - Delegation to Turkey
  - DIREC – India
  - US DEC Video Conference
  - Visit to Etiopia/Uganda
  - Offshore Wind coordination meeting

- In planning:
  - INTPOW Solar day
  - Offshore wind competence and supply chain mapping
  - EWEA 2011 – Brussels?
  - INTPOW's 2nd offshore wind supply chain conference
  - Offshore Wind visit to Germany
  - UK Offshore wind supply chain charter – workshop with RenewableUK
  - Solar Valley visit and intersolar
  - Siemens/Vestas visits Denmark
  - Hydro 2011 – Praha
  - Offshore Wind UK 2011 - Liverpool
  - RenewableUK 2011 – Manchester
  - AWEA Offshore Wind - Baltimore
  - Offshore Wind 2011 Amsterdam

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### Offshore Wind – Norwegian Industrial Clusters

- Wind Cluster Mid-Norway, Trøndelag
- Vindi.Møre , Møre og Romsdal
- Vindkraftforum Sogn og Fjordane, Sogn og Fjordane
- Arena NOW, Hordaland & Rogaland
- A 100+ companies associated with these clusters along the entire value chain

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### Offshore Wind – What can Norway offer?

- 40 years accumulated experience from development and operations of offshore oil & gas installations
- Strong Norwegian oil & gas and maritime industry clusters with global outreach
- Strong renewable energy sector based on hydro power

» Norwegian industry is well positioned to service the emerging global offshore wind energy market

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### Offshore Wind Supplier Segments

- Development & Consent
- Offshore Wind Turbines
- Balance of Plant
- Installation & Commissioning
- Operations & Maintenance

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### Development & Consent – Examples of Potential Supplies

- Environmental surveys
- Met station surveys/wave measurements
- Wind and wave simulations
- Sea bed surveys
- Front-end engineering and design

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### Offshore Wind Turbines – Examples of Potential Supplies

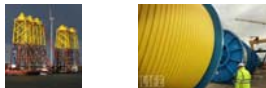
- Complete wind turbines
- Generators
- Towers
- Moulds for blade casting
- Systems/sensors related to pitch-control
- Nacelle auxiliary systems

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### Balance of Plant – Examples of Potential Supplies

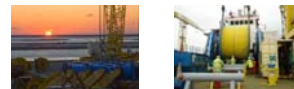
- Cables, export and inter array
- Complete Substations
- Foundations
- Crew access systems
- Floaters & moorings



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### Installation & Commissioning – Examples of Supplies

- Logistics and base services
- Export and inter array cable laying (trenching and laying)
- Foundation installation
- Offshore substation installation
- Turbine installation



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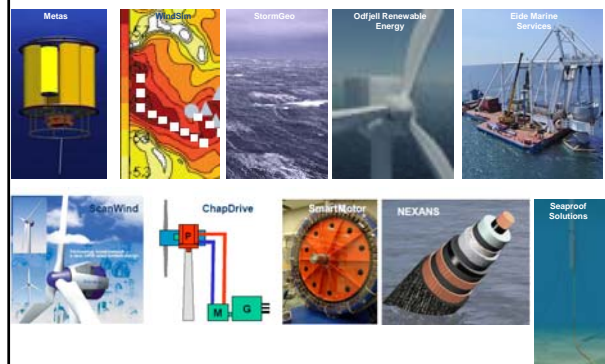
### Operations & Maintenance – Examples of Supplies

- Logistics & base services
- Operation of service vessels
- Large component refurbishment, replacement and repair
- Weather forecasts/production forecasts
- Environmental monitoring



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### Arena NOW – Examples of offshore wind suppliers



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### Cable Installation

- Technocean's Polar Prince
- Cable Installation at
  - » Greater Gabbard
  - » Thanet
  - » Nordergrunde



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### Bottom-fixed foundations - a current solution/reference!



» NorWind/BiFab/OWEC Tower

» Aker Verdal

» Vici Ventus

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### Installation Vessels - Examples



» Master Marine – Installation vessel «NORA» to be delivered in 2011



» NorWind – DP floating jacket foundation installation vessel

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### Offshore wind substations

- Turn key solution for Offshore Substation
  - » Flexible design – easy to accommodate client requirements
  - » Minimum maintenance for primary electrical components
  - » Minimised offshore hoop-up work
  - » Safe and innovative solutions for all interfaces



Troll Rosenberg Offshore Substation

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### Wind Turbine Generators

- SWAY
  - » New 10 MW WTG prototype under development and to be tested on land near Bergen.
- GE/ScanWind
  - » 4MW WTG developed and tested on land, further developments taking place in Verdal.



Courtesy SWAY

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### Floating wind turbines - a solution for the future!



- » HyWind 2,3 MW test in operation Sept. 2009
- » Sway 1:6 scale demo to be deployed in 2011
- » Nowitech/Norcowe R&D unit in 2011/12

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### Wind cluster Mid-Norway "Building Norway's Bremerhaven"



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### Arena NOW Member organization



- » Currently 37 member organizations

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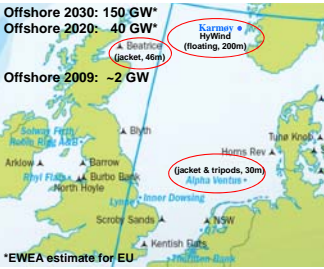
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# New Research Initiatives for Advancing the Development of Deep Sea Offshore Wind Technology

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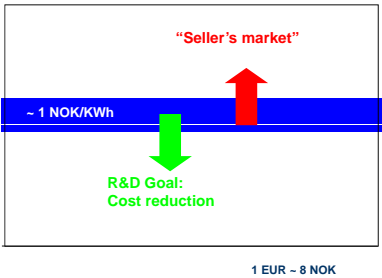
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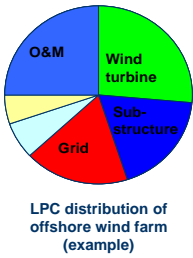
- ▶ Huge potential – vital for economic exploitation of wind resource over deep waters
- ▶ Development at an early stage – Beatrice, Alpha Ventus and HyWind are the only full scale deep water projects in operation
- ▶ Technology needs to be developed to reduce kWh cost

## Key issue: cost of energy

Cost of offshore wind energy



## Research Challenges

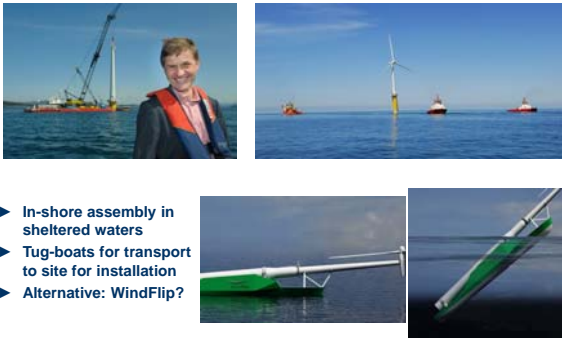


Offshore wind energy is a multi-disciplinary challenge

## Offshore wind installation (Beatrice 45 m depth)



## Offshore wind installation (HyWind 200 m depth)



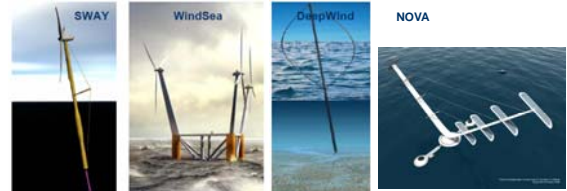
- ▶ In-shore assembly in sheltered waters
- ▶ Tug-boats for transport to site for installation
- ▶ Alternative: WindFlip?



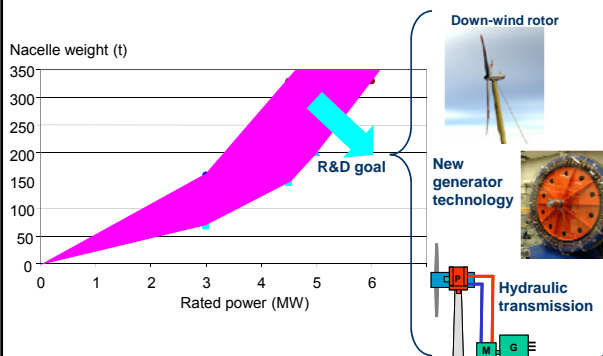
### Alternative sub-structures (examples)



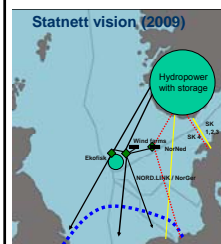
### New concepts (examples)



### Tower top weight is critical for cost reductions



### New grid solutions are required



Wind and hydro:  
a win-win combination

- Inside wind farms and between wind farms
  - Develop offshore transmission system
  - Many possible grid configurations
  - New market solutions are required
  - New technology (HVDC VSC, multi-terminal, hybrid HVDC/HVAC, ..)
  - Operation and Control
  - Cost, Reliability and Security of Supply
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### Why bother with all this new, when there are plenty of challenges in need for urgent attention?

- Need for both; long term R&D are the answer to be prepared for the urgencies of tomorrow
- New solutions should be robust
- Systems for remote monitoring, state estimation and control should be developed
- Improved systems for access and HSE must be developed
- Much can be learnt from the offshore oil and gas sector



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### NOWITECH in brief

- **Objective:**  
Pre-competitive research laying a foundation for industrial value creation and cost-effective offshore wind farms. Emphasis on deep sea (+30 m).
  - **Work packages:**
    1. Numerical design tools (including wind and hydrodynamics)
    2. Energy conversion system (new materials for lightweight blades & generators)
    3. Novel substructures (bottom-fixed and floaters)
    4. Grid connection and system integration
    5. Operation and maintenance
    6. Concept validation, experiments and demonstration
  - **Total budget (2009-2017):**  
+NOK 320 millions including 25 PhD/post docs
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### R&D partners



### Associate R&D partners



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### Industry partners



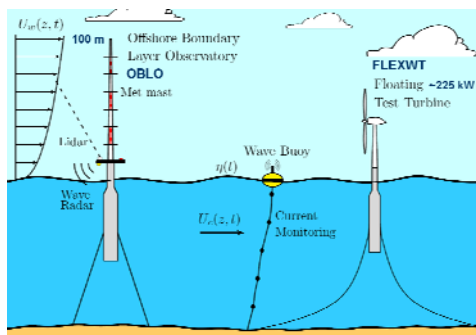
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### NOWERI – Norwegian Offshore Wind Energy Research Infrastructure (NORCOWE & NOWITECH – in contract negotiations 2010)



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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

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# Norwegian Met-Ocean Infrastructure for Offshore Wind Energy Research

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## Outline

- Introduction
- The marine atmospheric boundary layer (MABL)
  - Specific characteristics of the MABL
  - Knowledge gaps
- The Norwegian Offshore Wind Energy Research Infrastructure (NOWERI)
  - OBLO: The Oceanic Boundary Layer Observatory
  - Land based super-sites
- Outlook and conclusion

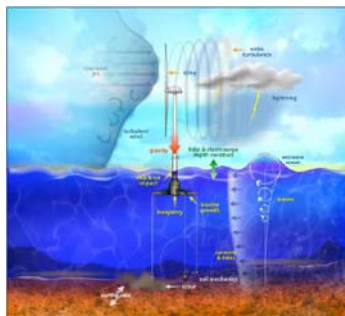


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## Marine Atmospheric Boundary Layer (MABL)



**Of interest:**

- Average wind speed
- Wind shear over the rotor disk
- Turbulence intensity

**These parameters depend on:**

- Synoptic situation
- Temperature stratification
- Underlying ocean wave field
- Proximity to land

**The main problem:**

- Massive lack of observational data in the relevant altitude range (30-150 m)

Source: [http://www.lea.wind.org/GWEC\\_PDF/GWEC%20Annex23.pdf](http://www.lea.wind.org/GWEC_PDF/GWEC%20Annex23.pdf)



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## Only few offshore measurements



Measurements up to 100 m  
Shallow waters (~ 20 m)



Deep water measurements possible  
Measurements only up to ~ 20 m

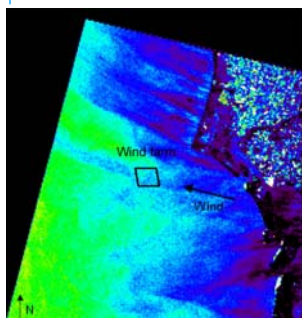


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## Satellite data (SAR, QuickScat)



Ocean wind speed map from ERS SAR from Horns Rev in the North Sea, Denmark observed 6 October 2004. The Horns Rev offshore wind farm is located in the trapezoid.

**Shortcomings:**

- limited temporal resolution
- uncertainty in determination of relevant wind speed over the rotor disk

Source: [http://galathea3.emu.dk/satelliteeye/projekter/wind/back\\_uk.html](http://galathea3.emu.dk/satelliteeye/projekter/wind/back_uk.html)



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## Description of wind shear

The wind power community is mainly working with an empirical power law description of the vertical wind shear:

$$\overline{u(z)} = u_{ref} \left( \frac{z}{z_{ref}} \right)^\alpha$$

Meteorologists use the physically based approach of the logarithmic wind profile (only valid for neutral conditions !!!):

$$\overline{u(z)} = \frac{u_*}{k} \ln \frac{z}{z_0}$$



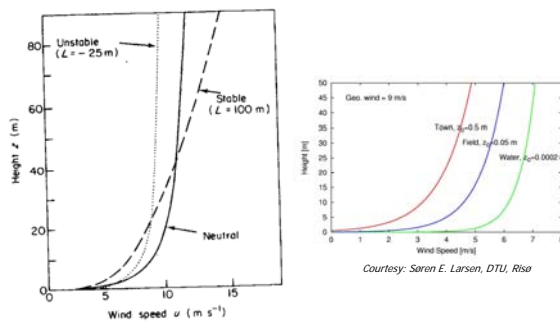
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## Wind shear depends on stability and surface roughness



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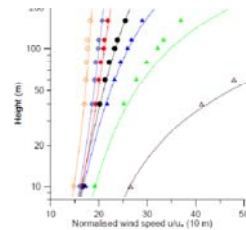
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## Wind profiles and stability

Problem:

Measurements at high towers show, that these wind profiles based on surface-layer theory and Monin-Obukhov scaling are only valid up to ca. 50-80 m



New approach for extension to higher altitudes over land given by:

Gryning, S.-E., E. Batchvarova, B. Brummer, H. Jørgensen, S. Larsen, On the extension of the wind profile over homogeneous terrain beyond the surface boundary layer. Bound.-Lay. Meteorol., 124, 251–268, 2007.



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## Wind profiles and stability

Splitting of the relevant length scale:

$$\frac{1}{l} = \frac{1}{l_{SL}} + \frac{1}{l_{MBL}}$$

Neutral:

$$u(z) = \frac{u_{s0}}{\kappa} \left( \ln\left(\frac{z}{z_0}\right) + \frac{z}{L_{MBL,N}} - \frac{z_i}{z_i} \left( \frac{z}{2L_{MBL,N}} \right) \right)$$

Stable:

$$\frac{u(z)}{u_{s0}} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \left( \ln\left(\frac{z}{z_0}\right) + \frac{bz}{L} \left( 1 - \frac{z}{2z_i} \right) + \frac{z}{L_{MBL}} - \frac{z_i}{z_i} \left( \frac{z}{2L_{MBL}} \right) \right)$$

Unstable:

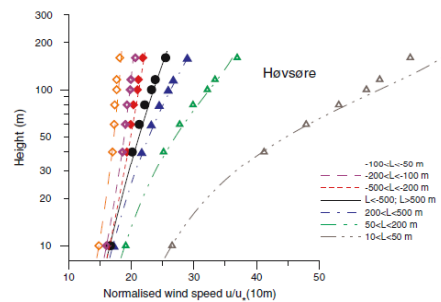
$$\frac{u(z)}{u_{s0}} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \left( \ln\left(\frac{z}{z_0}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{z}{L}\right) + \frac{z}{L_{MBL}} - \frac{z_i}{z_i} \left( \frac{z}{2L_{MBL}} \right) \right)$$



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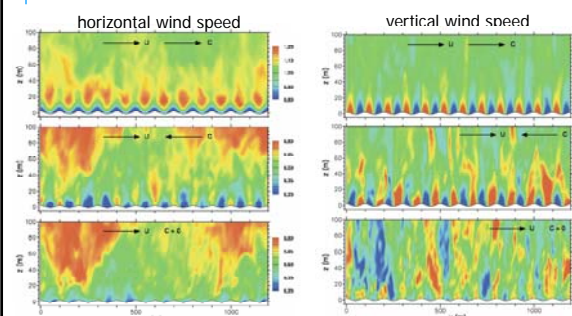
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## Wind-wave interactions (from LES)



Sullivan et al., Large eddy simulations and observations of atmospheric marine boundary layers above non-equilibrium surface waves. Journal of the Atmospheric Sciences., 65, 1225-1245, 2008.



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## Plans for national infrastructure

Floating Offshore Boundary Layer Observatory (OBLO)

Floating Experimental Wind Turbine (FLEXWT)

- Scale 1:4; ca. 250 kW; 30 m

In a next step:

3-4 onshore "super-sites"

- 100 m meteorological mast with advanced (in particular turbulence) instrumentation
- Wind Lidar and/or Sodar RASS
- Met-ocean buoy system
- in close cooperation with industry partners with interest at specific sites
- upgrade/standardization/interconnection of existing infrastructure and connection/co-location to technical test facilities



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The diagram illustrates the Offshore Boundary Layer Observatory (OBS) system. It shows a cross-section of the ocean with a seabed. On the left, a 'Met-mast' is mounted on a 'Wave Radar' platform. The met-mast has a 'Lidar' at the top and a 'Biri Radar' below it. A 'Wave Buoy' is shown on the surface, connected to the 'Current Monitoring' system. A 'Floating Test Turbine' is also shown on the surface. The diagram is labeled with various variables:  $U_w(z, t)$  for wind velocity,  $T(z, t)$  for temperature,  $u(t)$  for current velocity, and  $U_w(z, t)$  for wind velocity. The seabed is shown as a wavy line at the bottom.

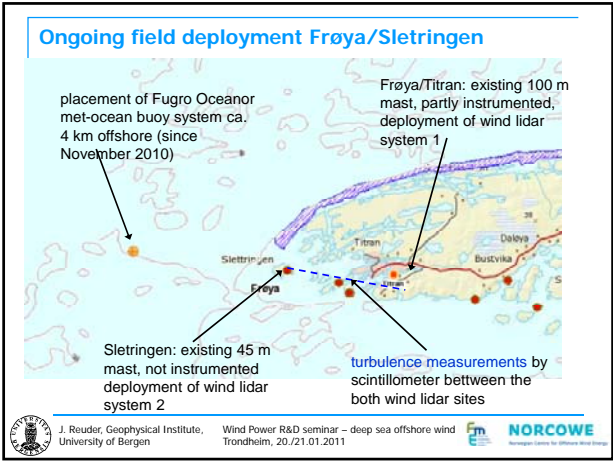
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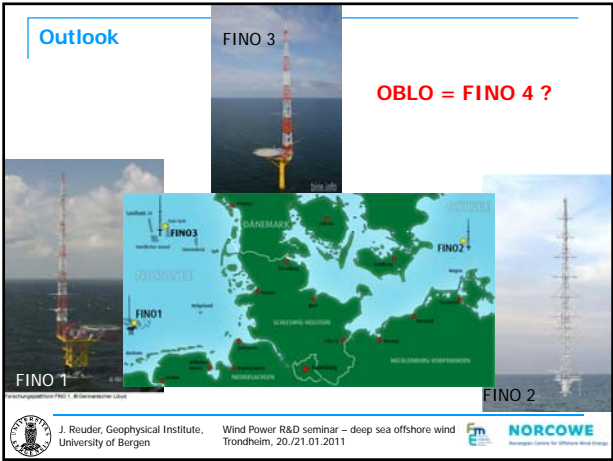


### Summary and conclusion

- advanced and continuous atmospheric and oceanic measurements are desperately required for an improved understanding of the MABL for offshore wind energy applications
- intended measurement program is ambitious and challenging, but there are no alternatives at the moment
- envisaged full operation of OBLO in the beginning of 2013
- EFOWI was (and is) an important step in for the build-up of experience in key measurement technologies (e.g. lidar) and for the design and operation of an appropriate database structure

J. Reuder, Geophysical Institute, University of Bergen  
Wind Power R&D seminar – deep sea offshore wind  
Trondheim, 20./21.01.2011

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### Outlook

FINO<sup>4</sup>

Floating Infrastructure for Norwegian Offshore Wind Energy Research  
or  
Floating Instrumentation for Norwegian Offshore Wind Energy Research

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### Vestavind Offshore

- Established August 2009
- Owned by 7 energy producers in Norway, "Vestlandsalliansen"
- Core business in marine renewable energy production and distribution
- Norway's only licence for a full scale offshore wind farm - Havsul  
– September 2009

Vestavind OFFSHORE

### Havsul

- Project company 100 percent owned by Vestavind Offshore
- Norway's only license for a full scale offshore windfarm
- Estimated yearly energy production up to 1 TWh
- Havsul improves regional energy production and reduces local energy crisis

Vestavind OFFSHORE

### Milestones Havsul

Project execution in four phases:

- Feasibility Study**  
October 2010
- Concept Study in 3 parts**  
June 2011
- Pre-engineering**  
December 2011
  - Basis for investment decision 1Q 2012
- Detailed engineering, procurement and construction**
  - Phase 1 windfarm ready for start-up 1Q 2014
  - Full scale 2015

Vestavind OFFSHORE

### Concept competition substructure, inshore assembly total windmill and offshore installation of same

**Scope:**

- Technology and construction substructure
- Inshore assembly of complete windmill including substructure, tower, nacelle and blades and located assembly site
- Offshore installation targeted in 1 offshore operation
- Cost estimate

If pre-engineering phase is decided in Q3 2011

- 1-3 players for further pre-engineering

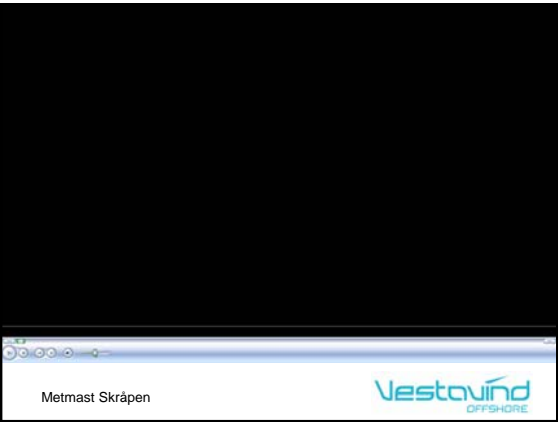
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### Background

- Full scale execution of Havsul
  - Current cost level too high
  - Our target – cost competitive energy production
- Cost drivers
  - No's of offshore operations
  - Assembly & logistics
  - Design and materials
  - Few players on turbines
- Mitigation
  - Reduce
  - New industry standard
  - Optimize design
  - Increase competition

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**Milestones / Plan**

• May - Sep 2010	Feasibility study completed
• Sep - Oct 2010	Develop design basis for concept studies
• Oct - Nov 2010	Prequalification (30 companies applied)
• Nov - Dec 2010	Tender competition (16 tenders of 17 prequal.)
• Dec - Jan 2011	Evaluation – qualification meetings
• Jan - May 2011	Execute concept study (4 companies)
• May - Jun 2011	Evaluation – concept selection (1-3) Internal total cost estimate +/- 30%

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**Tender competition process**

- Prequalification – announced on TED / Doffin
- Prequalified candidates received ITT
- Shortlisting of candidates
- Clarifications with shortlisted candidates
- Recommendation
- Selection (4 companies/Industrial Groups)

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**Strong companies/industrial groups as winners**

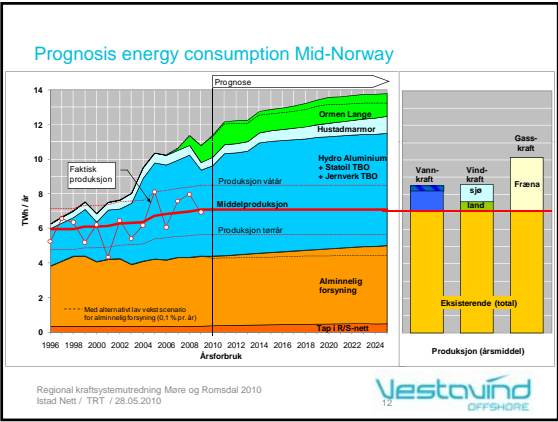
- **Reinertsen** (concrete and steel)
  - Vattenfall power consultant AB
- **Technip** (steel)
- **Vici Ventus** (concrete)
  - AF-Gruppen ASA
  - Dr.techn.Olav Olsen AS
  - Lyse AS
- **Westcon** (concrete)
  - Eide Marine Services AS
  - Kruse Smith Entreprenører AS
  - Norconsult AS

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**Market Dimensions**

Adding 30,000 MW offshore wind capacity requires to build 2 large offshore wind turbines per day until 2020

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### VESTAVIND Offshore's "Kinderegg"

- **Energy crisis in Mid-Norway**
  - Part of permanent solution
  - New production renewable energy from 2013/2014
  - Local energy production – SHORT TRAVELLED!
- **Climate friendly**
  - Renewable energy
  - Short travelled
  - Paradigm shift, from Onshore to Offshore approach
- **New industrial approach**
  - New innovative solutions based on proven technology
  - Capitalize on offshore Petromarine core competence
  - Cost-effective, sound solutions

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### Vestavind Offshore's goals in offshore wind:

- Create tomorrow's global solutions in offshore wind together with the industry in a 'wind – wind' approach
- Utilize unique offshore Petromarine competence in marine renewable energy production
- New market opportunities for the industry



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## **A1) New turbine technology**

Development of the SWAY tower concept, Michal Forland, SWAY

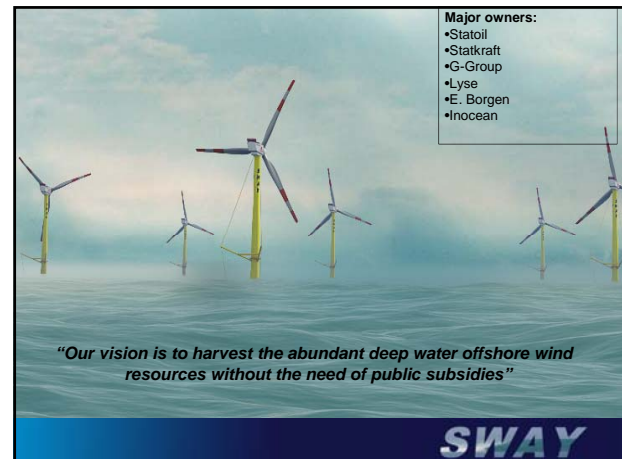
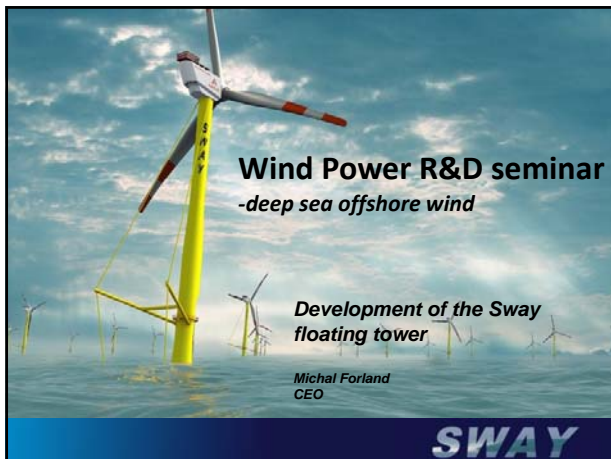
Loads analysis of selected floating designs, Amy Robertson, NREL

Aluminium as a viable solution for offshore wind turbines,  
Simon Jupp, Hydro Aluminium

HiPRWind – large floating turbines for intermediate water depths,  
Jochen Bard, Fraunhofer IWES

Prospects of large floating vertical axis wind turbines,  
Uwe Schmidt Paulsen, Risø DTU





### Sway business strategy:

The four key factors for success will be qualification of the technology through:

- 1:6 floating model Q1 2011
- Full scale pilot 2013
- Thereafter use the existing industry and their industrial and financial muscles by licensing the technology
- Use local manufacturers in the major home markets

**SWAY**

### Sway history in short

- Sway origins from oil and subsea industry
- 2002-07 Developed a fully integrated simulation tool
- 2007: €20M equity raise. Statoil and Lyse new co-owners
- 2007: Verification of scaled prototype in wave tank
- 2009: Sway received concession floater
- 2010: Split of Sway into two separate companies.
- Q1 - 2011: Deployment of 1:6 scale floater



**SWAY**

### Water depth and weather conditions

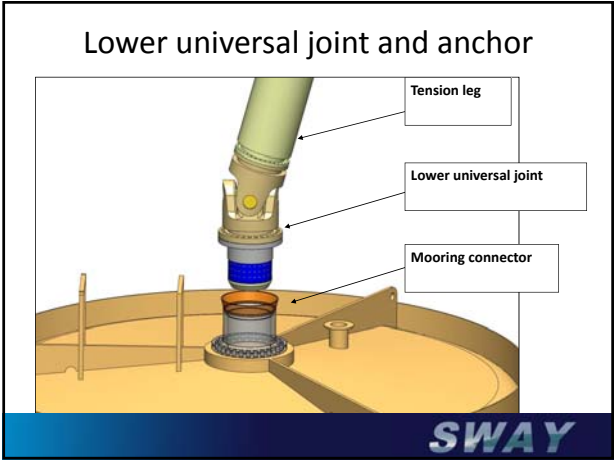
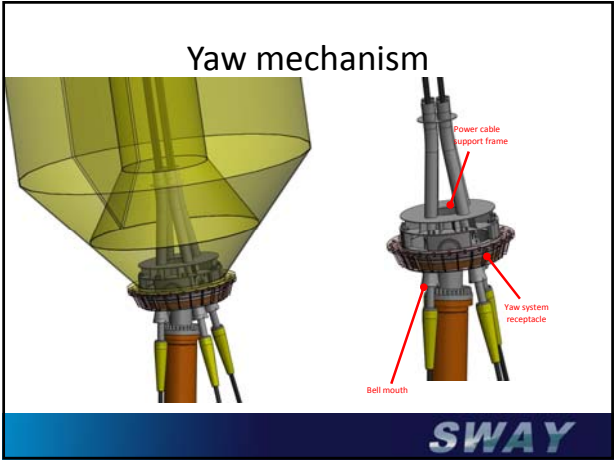
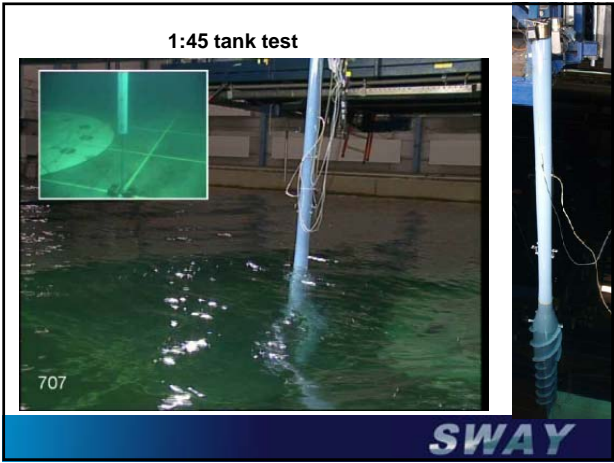
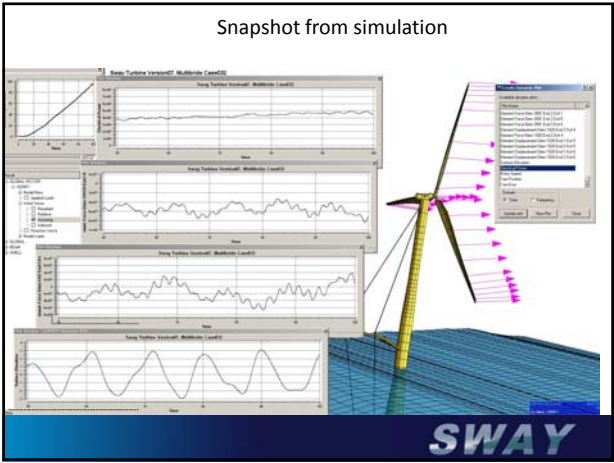
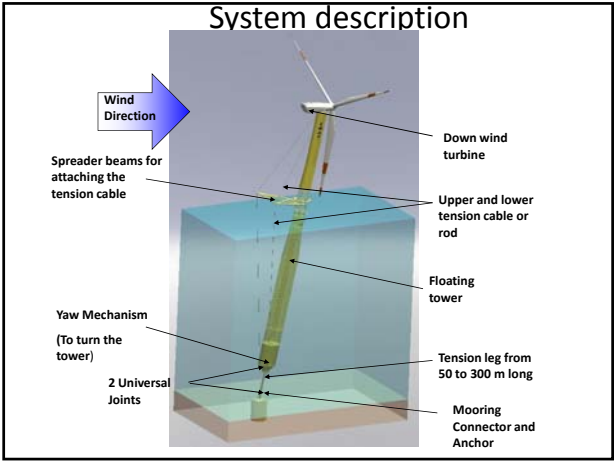
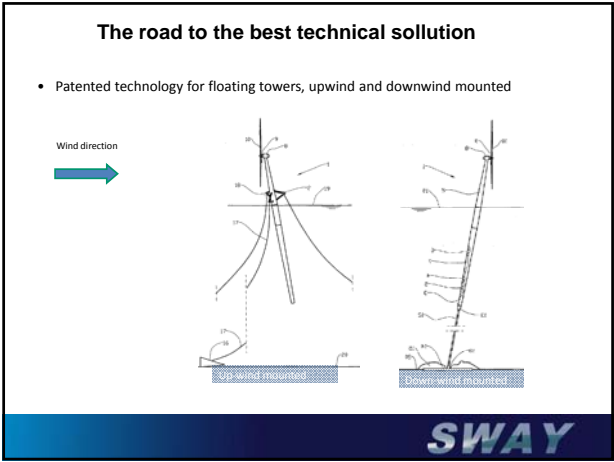
- 60 – 300m+
- Designed for extreme weather conditions (North Sea).
- 100 year significant wave height  $H_s=17m$
- Max single wave  $H=30m$
- 20 years service fatigue life (60 years actual life)



**SWAY**



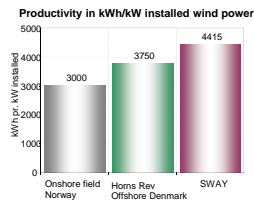






### Why deep water?

- Similar Capex to shallow water, but 20-30% higher annual production
- Flexible positioning (fisheries and other interest)
- Possible to place nearby load centers (save onshore grid)
- Many countries have no alternatives to deep offshore; Spain, US, Japan and Portugal
- Unlimited source of cost competitive clean energy available from 2015
- Potential to reduce costs significantly (30-50%) the next 10-15 years by technology steps.
- Floaters can be game changer in renewable contribution to world energy production



**SWAY**

### Market for the SWAY floater technology

- Large scale power export to the onshore grid – Asia, USA, Europe etc.

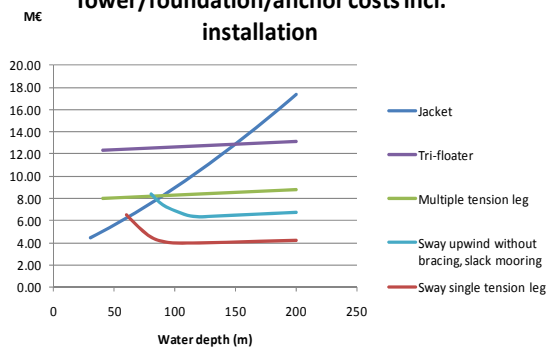
- USA (North East and West coast)  
 - Canada  
 - Ireland  
 - Portugal  
 - Spain  
 - France  
 - Italy  
 - Malta  
 - Other Mediterranean countries  
 - Norway  
 - Japan  
 - South Korea

-and many more



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### Tower/foundation/anchor costs incl. installation



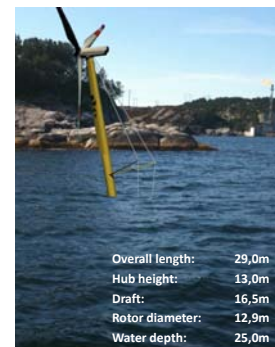
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### Sway floating tower 1:6 scale in Q1 2011

The test location is near Oil & Gas service facilities at Kollsnes, appx 40 minutes drive from the Bergen airport and Bergen city centre

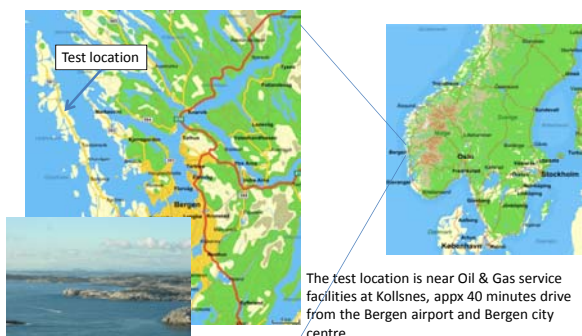
#### The model

Sway floating tower for 5MW WTG scaled 1:6,5  
 Installation in January 2011  
 Located outside Bergen, Norway



**SWAY**

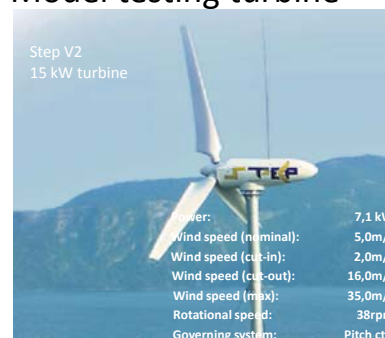
### Location



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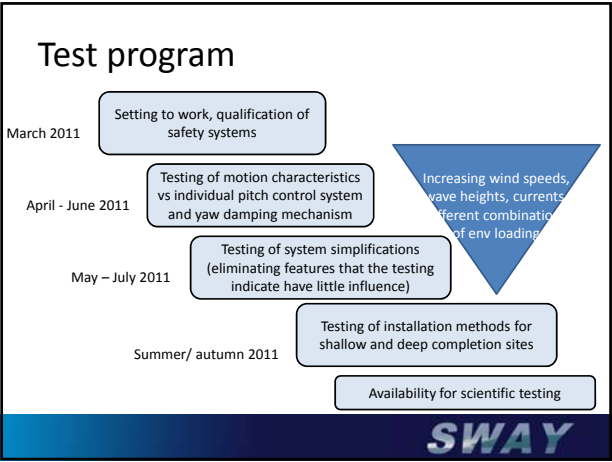
### Model testing turbine

Step V2  
 15 kW turbine




**SWAY**










# Offshore Wind Power in the United States



Wind Power R&D Seminar –  
Deep Sea Offshore Wind

Amy Robertson

January 20, 2011

NREL is a national laboratory of the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, operated by the Alliance for Sustainable Energy, LLC.

## Outline

- U.S. government priorities
- U.S. Offshore wind resource
- Roadmap for developing resource
- DOE's role
- Offshore wind projects in the U.S.
- NREL work in offshore wind
  - International Collaborations
  - Design concept loads analysis

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## White House & DOE Priorities

White House

- Reduce carbon emissions 80% by 2050
- Stimulate jobs and economic recovery through RE development

Department of Energy

- Promote energy security through reliable, clean, and affordable energy
- Strengthening scientific discovery and economic competitiveness through science and technology innovation

EERE

- Strengthen U.S. energy security, environmental quality, and economic vitality

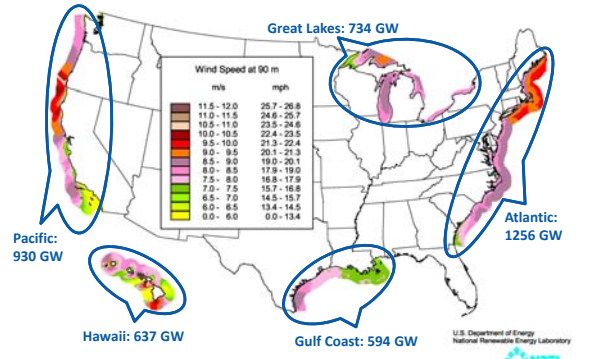
Wind & Water Power Program

- Optimize growth & momentum of wind and water power deployment

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## Offshore Wind Potential = 4150 GW



Wind Speed at 90 m

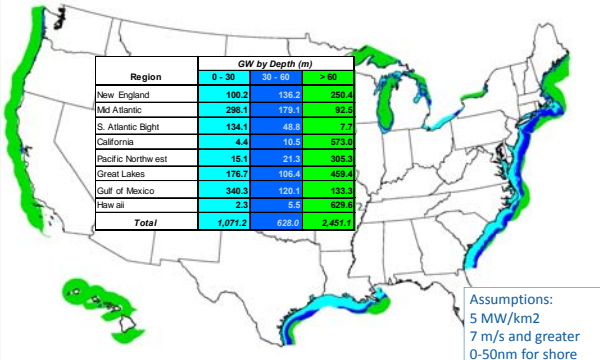
mph	m/s
11.5 - 12.0	25.7 - 26.8
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10.0 - 10.5	21.8 - 23.1
9.5 - 10.0	20.5 - 21.8
9.0 - 9.5	19.2 - 20.5
8.5 - 9.0	17.9 - 19.2
8.0 - 8.5	16.6 - 17.9
7.5 - 8.0	15.3 - 16.6
7.0 - 7.5	14.0 - 15.3
6.5 - 7.0	12.7 - 14.0
6.0 - 6.5	11.4 - 12.7
5.5 - 6.0	10.1 - 11.4

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Total gross resource potential does not consider exclusion zones or siting concerns

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## U.S. Offshore Wind Resource and Bathymetry

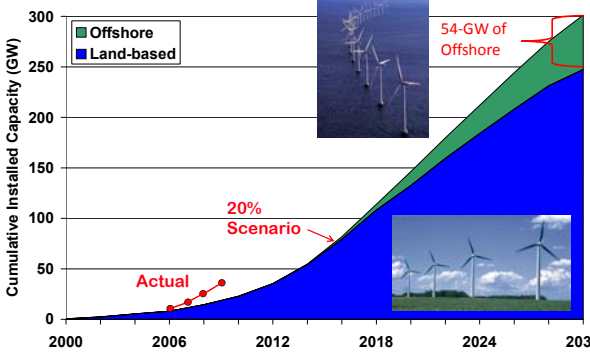


Region	GW by Depth (m)		
	0 - 30	30 - 60	> 60
New England	100.2	136.2	259.4
Mid Atlantic	298.1	179.1	92.5
S. Atlantic Bight	134.1	48.8	7.7
California	4.4	18.5	573.0
Pacific Northwest	15.1	21.3	305.3
Great Lakes	176.7	106.4	409.4
Gulf of Mexico	340.3	128.1	133.3
Hawaii	2.3	8.5	629.6
Total	1,071.2	628.0	2,451.1

Assumptions:  
5 MW/km2  
7 m/s and greater  
0-50nm for shore

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## 20% Wind Report: 54-GW Offshore Wind by 2030



Cumulative Installed Capacity (GW)

2000 2006 2012 2018 2024 2030

Actual

20% Scenario

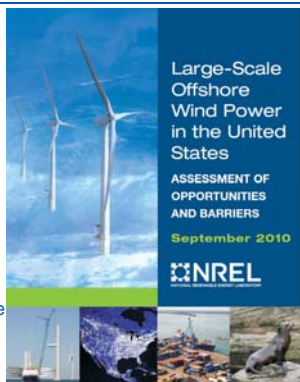
54-GW of Offshore

<https://www1.eere.energy.gov/windandhydro/pdfs/41869.pdf>

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- Detailed assessment of the Nation's offshore wind resources and wind industry
  - Estimated 4000 GW offshore wind resource over 7.0 m/s
- Analyzes:
  - Technology challenges
  - Economics
  - Permitting procedures
  - Potential risks/benefits
- Report will be used to help guide the U.S. efforts in offshore wind



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Scenarios

Critical Objectives

Program

54 GW at 7-9 ¢/kWh by 2030  
(10 GW at 13 ¢/kWh by 2020)

Reduce COE

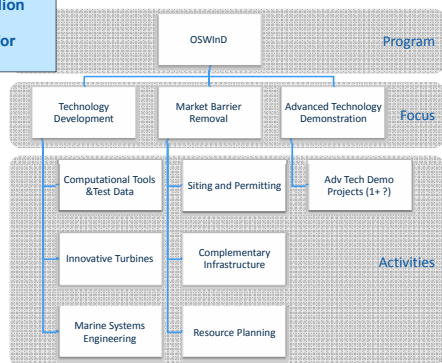
Reduce deployment timeline

OSWInD Strategy

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**\$49.5 Million**  
available  
funding for  
2011



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**US: 2.4 GW proposed**

**Europe: 2 GW installed, 40 GW proposed**

**China: 135 MW installed, 3 GW authorized**

Source: by Charlotte International, July 15, 2015

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- **Location:** Horseshoe Shoal in Nantucket Sound
  - 5.2 miles from shore
  - Mean wind speeds of 8-9 m/s
  - 0.2 – 15 m deep
- **Project Status:**
  - On October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010, U.S. Secretary of Interior Ken Salazar signed the first offshore wind farm lease in U.S. Waters for Cape Wind
  - Construction not started, will take 2 years
- **Technology:**
  - Monopile foundation
  - 3.6 MW GE wind turbines
- **Capacity:**
  - 130 offshore wind turbines over 24 square miles
  - 3.6 MW turbines  $\times$  130 = 468 MW power



**SOURCES:** Energy Information Administration; EIA; AP

Phase 1 : Initial 20 MW Windfarm in Lake Erie

Gold interconnection and rights of way

Marine Infrastructure Improvements

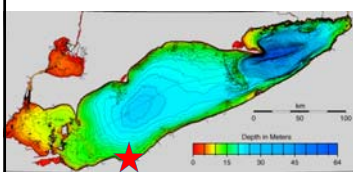
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Great Lakes	175.7	168.4	203.4
Gulf of Mexico	299.2	149.2	124.2
Hawaii	14.4	14.4	14.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,077.2</b>	<b>608.6</b>	<b>2,451.1</b>

Cleveland, Ohio, USA

Slide Credit: Walt Musial, NBEI



### Cleveland 20-MW Offshore Wind Project

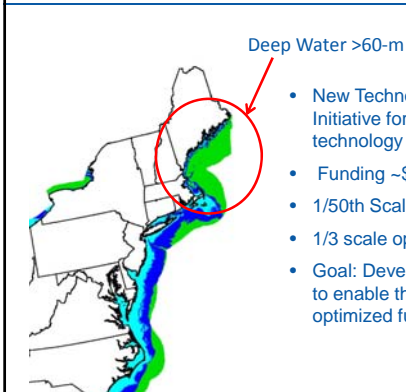


- Location:
  - Site is 3.5 miles off downtown Cleveland
  - Shallowest of the Great Lakes – maximum depth in central basin is 24-m
- Potentially first freshwater project
- Surface ice floe is a unique design condition
- Ice research studies are planned



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### DeepCwind Project – Maine, USA

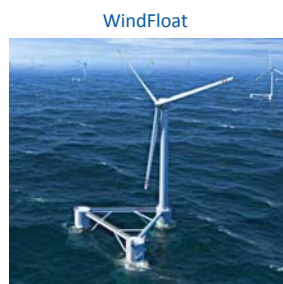


- New Technology Development Initiative for floating wind technology
- Funding ~\$25M US Dollars
- 1/50th Scale Model Testing
- 1/3 scale open ocean testing
- Goal: Develop engineering tools to enable the design of optimized full-scale systems.

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### Wind/Wave Hybrid Technology - WindWaveFloat

- Principle Power is a U.S.-based technology developer focused on the deep-water offshore wind energy market.
- **WindFloat** is Principle Power's semi-submersible floating wind turbine design.
  - Full-scale prototype is expected to be deployed off the north coast of Portugal in mid-2011
- **WindWaveFloat** – modified version of WindFloat which adds wave power take-off (PTO) mechanisms
  - Received DOE funding for planning, concept design, physical modeling & wave tank testing, and pilot-scale testing of the WindWaveFloat device in ocean waters.



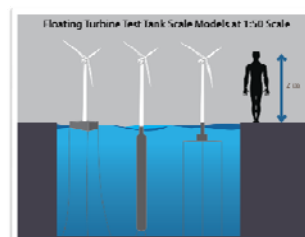
Photograph: Principle Power

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### DeepCwind - Wind/ Wave 1/50th Scale Model Testing

- 1/50th Scale models will be tested at Marin facility
- 3 generic platforms
- Models are based upon NREL 5MW reference turbine
- Over 15 scaling parameters considered to maximize full scale and 1/3 scale relevance
- Model testing is scheduled for April 2011.
- Pitch control (inactive for now)



Slide Credit: University of Maine

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### Testing of 1/3 Scale Turbine at Test Site

- Approximately 1/3rd Scale of a 5MW
- Commercial turbine with proven record of performance is planned ~100 kW.
- Floating platform designs will be selected from competitive industry solicitation
- System will be deployed off the coast of Maine near Monhegan island.
- Turbine will be deployed at times when desired scaled wind/ wave conditions are present.



Example 100 kW turbine for 1/3 scale testing at UMaine Test Site deployment

Slide Credit: University of Maine

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### NREL Work in Offshore Wind

- Improving our simulation tool, FAST
  - Modularizing code, improving ability to interface to other codes
  - Improving wind/water loading formulations
  - Adding functionality to model a variety of offshore wind turbine designs
  - Validating code through test data
- Collaborating on a number of international projects
- Performing design conceptual studies

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FAST with AeroDyn and HydroDyn

- Structural-dynamic model for horizontal-axis turbines:
  - Coupled to AeroDyn, HydroDyn, and controller for aero-hydro-servo-elastic simulation
  - Evaluated by Germanischer Lloyd WindEnergie
- Turbine Configurations
  - HAWT
  - 2 or 3-bladed
  - Upwind or downwind
  - Land-based or offshore
  - Offshore monopiles or floating
  - Rigid or flexible foundation



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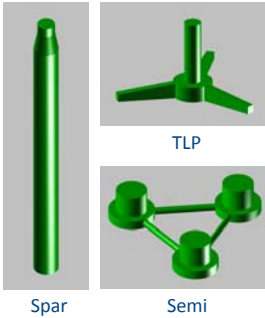
International Collaborations

Project Name	Description
DeepCWind	Floating offshore wind project in U.S. – includes scale model testing and 1/3 scale demonstration project
Risø	Collaboration to share information on a variety of wind-turbine related topics
OC4	IEA Offshore Codes Comparison Collaboration, Continued – jacket and semi (co-leading project)
ORECCA	EU development of offshore renewables roadmap
Nowitech	Norwegian research group on deep offshore wind. Strong emphasis on supporting PhD and post-doctoral research.
HiPRWind	5-yr project to help development of deep-water offshore wind. Will deploy a 1-MW demonstration turbine.
DeepWind	Examination of vertical-axis offshore WT
UpWind	Assessing requirements for design of very large turbines

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Loads Analysis of Generic Platform Types

- Modeling of three generic platform configurations at full-scale (5 MW)
- Loads analysis with full-scale models
  - Variety of normal load conditions
  - Fault conditions
  - Extreme conditions
  - Fatigue
- Compare results of loads analysis to previous loads analysis
- Compare loads on different platform types to land-based system



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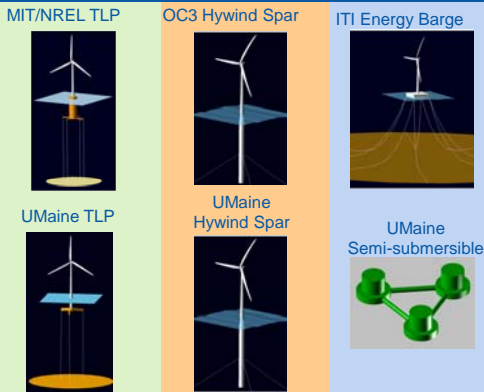
Loads Analysis

DLC	Winds		Waves		Controls / Events	Type	Load Factor
	Model	Speed	Model	Height			
1) Power Production							
1.1	NTM	$V_{in} < V_{min} < V_{out}$	NSS	$H_s = E[H_s]   V_{min}$	$\beta = 0^\circ$	Normal operation	U 1.25-1.2
1.2	NTM	$V_{in} < V_{min} < V_{out}$	NSS	$H_s = E[H_s]   V_{min}$	$\beta = 0^\circ$	Normal operation	F 1.00
1.3	ETM	$V_{in} < V_{min} < V_{out}$	NSS	$H_s = E[H_s]   V_{min}$	$\beta = 0^\circ$	Normal operation	U 1.35
1.4	ECD	$V_{min} = V_r, V_r \geq 12 \text{ m/s}$	NSS	$H_s = E[H_s]   V_{min}$	$\beta = 0^\circ$	Normal operation; $\pm 1$ wind dir'n.	U 1.35
1.5	EWS	$V_{in} < V_{min} < V_{out}$	NSS	$H_s = E[H_s]   V_{min}$	$\beta = 0^\circ$	Normal operation; $\pm 1$ ver. & hor. shr.	U 1.35
1.6a	NTM	$V_{in} < V_{min} < V_{out}$	ESS	$H_s = 1.09 \cdot H_{ref}$	$\beta = 0^\circ$	Normal operation	U 1.35
2) Power Production Plus Occurrence of Fault							
2.1	NTM	$V_{min} = V_r, V_r \geq 12 \text{ m/s}$	NSS	$H_s = E[H_s]   V_{min}$	$\beta = 0^\circ$	Pitch runaway → Shutdown	U 1.35
2.3	EOG	$V_{in} = V_r, V_r \geq 12 \text{ m/s}, V_{out}$	NSS	$H_s = E[H_s]   V_{min}$	$\beta = 0^\circ$	Loss of load → Shutdown	U 1.10
3) Parked (Idling)							
6.1a	EWM	$V_{min} = 0.95 \cdot V_{ref}$	ESS	$H_s = 1.09 \cdot H_{ref}$	$\beta = 0^\circ, \pm 30^\circ$	Yaw = $0^\circ, \pm 28^\circ$	U 1.35
6.2a	EWM	$V_{min} = 0.95 \cdot V_{ref}$	ESS	$H_s = 1.09 \cdot H_{ref}$	$\beta = 0^\circ, \pm 30^\circ$	Loss of grid → -180° < Yaw < 180°	U 1.10
6.3a	EWM	$V_{min} = 0.95 \cdot V_r$	ESS	$H_s = 1.09 \cdot H_{ref}$	$\beta = 0^\circ, \pm 30^\circ$	Yaw = $0^\circ, \pm 20^\circ$	U 1.35
7) Parked (Idling) and Fault							
7.1a	EWM	$V_{min} = 0.95 \cdot V_r$	ESS	$H_s = 1.09 \cdot H_{ref}$	$\beta = 0^\circ, \pm 30^\circ$	Seized blade; Yaw = $0^\circ, \pm 28^\circ$	U 1.10

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Concept Designs for Loads Analysis



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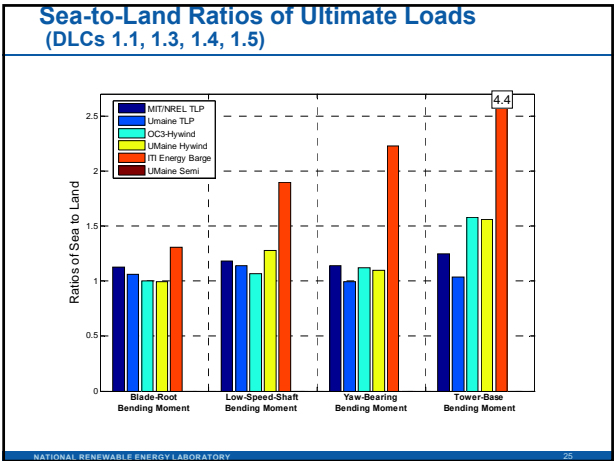
Summary of Properties: 6 Floating Systems

	MIT/NREL TLP	UMaine TLP	OC3-Hywind Spar Buoy 320 m Depth	OC3-Hywind Spar Buoy 200 m Depth	ITI Energy Barge	UMaine Semi-Submersible
Diameter or width x length (m)	18	15	6.5 to 9.4 (is tapered)	6.5 to 9.4 (is tapered)	40 x 40	13.5 and 20 (diameters)
Draft (m)	47.89	24	120	120	4	20
Water displacement (m³)	12,180	2,767	8,029	8,029	6,000	6232
Mass, including ballast (kg)	8,600,000	774,940	7,466,000	7,466,000	5,452,000	5,591,400
CM location of the platform below SWL (m)	40.61	19.72	89.92	89.92	0.2818	5.11
Roll inertia about CM (kg · m²)	571,600,000	150,780,000	4,229,000,000	4,229,000,000	726,900,000	3,062,000,000
Pitch inertia about CM (kg · m²)	571,600,000	150,780,000	4,229,000,000	4,229,000,000	726,900,000	3,062,000,000
Yaw inertia about CM (kg · m²)	361,400,000	88,850,000	164,200,000	164,200,000	1,454,000,000	3,673,000,000
Number of mooring lines	8 (4 pairs)	3	3	3	8	3
Depth to fairleads, anchors	47.89 200	26.5 200	70 320	70 200	4 150	7 200
Radius to fairleads, anchors (m)	27 27	30 30	5.2 853.9	5.2 445	28.25 423.4	36.588 1013
Unstretched line length (m)	151.7	171.4	902.2	468	873.3	1017
Line diameter (mm)	0.127	0.222	0.09	0.09	0.0809	0.0766
Line mass density (kg/m)	116	302.89	77.71	145	130.4	113.4
Line extensional stiffness (N)	1,500,000,000	7,720,000,000	384,200,000	384,200,000	589,000,000	753,600,000

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### Extreme Event Comparison

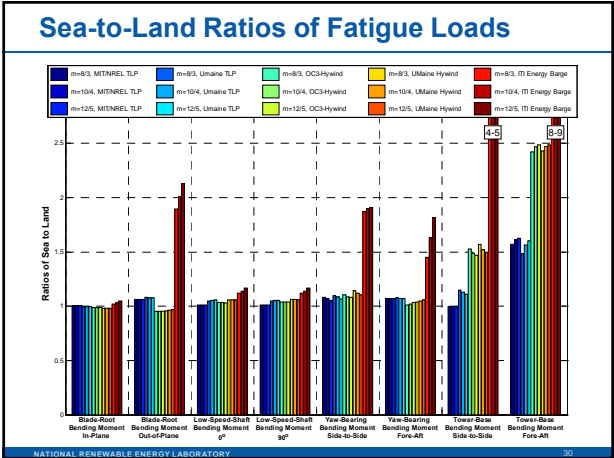
Ultimate Load	Land-Based System	MIT/NREL TLP System	Umaine TLP System	OC3-Hywind Spar Buoy System	Umaine Hywind Spar Buoy System	ITI Energy Barge System
Blade-root bending moment	DLC 1.4	DLC 1.4	DLC 1.4	DLC 1.3	DLC 1.3	DLC 1.1
Low-speed-shaft bending moment	DLC 1.4	DLC 1.4	DLC 1.4	DLC 1.3	DLC 1.3	DLC 1.1
Yaw-bearing bending moment	DLC 1.3	DLC 1.4	DLC 1.3	DLC 1.3	DLC 1.3	DLC 1.1
Tower-base bending moment	DLC 1.3	DLC 1.1	DLC 1.1	DLC 1.3	DLC 1.1	DLC 1.1

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- ### Summary of Ultimate Loads – Land vs. Offshore
- Land-based system
    - Many of the greatest loads on blades and shaft from gust of DLC1.4
    - Most other large loads driven by DLC 1.3 (extreme turbulence) at rated wind speed.
  - Offshore systems
    - Larger motion of offshore systems in general results in larger loads
    - Increased loads caused by inertial forces on the system.
    - These loads get greater as you move from the top of the turbine to the platform
    - Yaw errors allow for more side-to-side excitation in the system
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- ### Summary of System Ultimate Loads
- ITI Energy Barge
    - Affected more by the waves than the wind
    - Since waves are same for DLCs, DLC 1.1 dominates large loads due to higher safety factor
  - TLPs
    - TLPs have much less motion than the barge, and therefore lower loads (especially pitch, roll), but more than land-based
    - Greatest loads are in the same DLC as land-based, DLC 1.4
    - Umaine TLP much smaller and lighter than NREL/MIT TLP, but motions remain similar - TLP motion different than other concepts
    - Slight decrease in Umaine TLP loads due to surge motion at time of gust
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- ### Summary of System Ultimate Loads, cont.
- Hywind Spar Buoy
    - Spar system has greater motion than TLP in pitch and roll, but less in yaw (damping from tests)
    - Load increases are somewhat compensated for by a control system that limits blade and tower loads
    - Result is that some loads increase in spar system and some decrease compared to TLP
    - DLC 1.3 was the force driver rather than 1.4 due to controller limiting load on blades
    - Umaine Hywind very similar to OC3 Hywind
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### Summary of Fatigue Loads

- In general, fatigue load ratios show similar trends to those of the ultimate load ratios, and are produced by the same physics explained for the ultimate loads.
- ITI Energy barge the greatest —particularly for the blade and tower.
- The out-of-plane blade-root bending in spar less than land-based, due to controller
- UMaine TLP shows increased fatigue compared to NREL/MIT TLP, though ultimate loads decreased - looser mooring allowed for more motion
- Umaine TLP pitch motion decreases – shown in decrease in fore/aft tower loading and out-of-plane blade loading
- TLP and spar systems similar, except for the tower base, which are greater in the Hywind systems.

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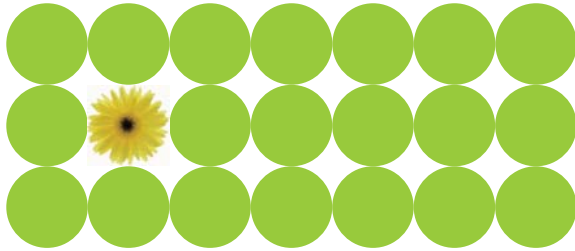


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## Aluminium as a viable solution for offshore wind turbines



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Deep Sea Offshore Wind R&D Seminar, 20. January 2011

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## Climate matters



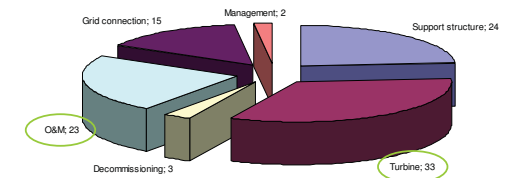
- Hydro's mission – to create a more viable society – implies making solutions to the climate challenge an inherent part of our business model
- The Business Opportunity: Reduce emissions and improve energy efficiency**
- Technology a key driver

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## Why aluminium?

Cost analysis for offshore wind turbine



Source: Kurian and Ganapathy 2010

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## Why aluminium?

- Lightweight
- Built-in fire protection
- Ease of inspection
- High thermal conductivity
- Recyclability → End-of-use value
- Wide range of surface treatments

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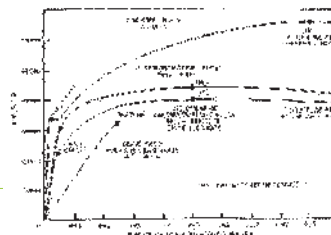
## Mechanical properties comparison

### Weight-normalised strength ( $\sigma_y/\rho$ )

Mild steel (ASTM 131) 235 MPa/7.8 = 30

5083 H113 aluminium 155 MPa/2.7 = 57

E-glass GFRP 170 MPa/2.0 = 85



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## Electrical conductivity

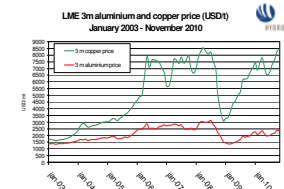
### Functionality

Aluminium is a good electrical conductor → 60% IACS

Cost of 100% IACS  
Cu ~ 8500 US\$/tonne  
Al ~ 2400 US\$/tonne

$\rho_{Cu} = 8900 \text{ kg/m}^3$   
 $\rho_{Al} = 2700 \text{ kg/m}^3$

100% IACS =  $1 \text{ g}_{Cu} = 1.12 \times 10^{-2} \text{ cm}^2 \times 100 \text{ cm} = 0.0085 \text{ US\$}$   
100% IACS =  $0.5 \text{ g}_{Al} = 1.87 \times 10^{-2} \text{ cm}^2 \times 100 \text{ cm} = 0.0012 \text{ US\$}$




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Lightweight structure (e.g. nacelle)

- Aluminium stiffeners weigh 40%-50% less than steel stiffeners with the same deflection resistance
- The weight disadvantage to GRP is equalized by the advantage in stiffness.

	Steel	Aluminium	Aluminium	Aluminium
				
Moment of inertia in mm <sup>4</sup>	58.9 10 <sup>6</sup>	116.6 10 <sup>6</sup>	116.7 10 <sup>6</sup>	117.3 10 <sup>6</sup>
E x I (Nm <sup>2</sup> )	8.17 10 <sup>12</sup>	8.16 10 <sup>12</sup>	8.17 10 <sup>12</sup>	8.21 10 <sup>12</sup>
h (mm)	240	240	300	300
b (mm)	120	240	200	200
w (mm)	6.2	12	6	6
t (mm)	9.8	18.3	12.9	10
Unit weight (kg/m)	30.7	30.3	18.4	15.8
Weight as % of the steel beam	100 %	99 %	60 %	51 %

Lightweight in nacelle equipment

The weight advantage of aluminium can also be used in nacelle equipment parts:

- Helicopter Hoist Platforms
- Electrical cabinets
- Floor sheets
- Steps and ladders
- Ventilation channels
- Transformers
- Cabling

Built-in fire protection

- Aluminium is incombustible and does not contribute to a fire
  - Wide use of aluminium profiles in fire protection doors
- There is no need for additional lightning protection (an aluminium skin builds a natural Faraday's cage)
- Aluminium has no electrostatic potential



High thermal conductivity

- Aluminium's thermal conductivity is 3-4 times that of steel and more than 100 times that of plastics
- Enables better heat dissipation through the outer skin of a nacelle and therefore allows smaller cooler sizes
- Aluminium is also extensively used in heat exchangers, both as tubes and for fins



Recyclability

- Aluminium can be infinitely recycled without a loss in quality with a saving of 95% of energy compared to its primary production
- Aluminium keeps a commercial value along its whole lifetime; e.g. the „scrap value“ is typically in the range of 1.000-1.500 EUR/tonne (Note: as of 5 Jan 2011, LME Al scrap price >1800€/tonne).



Longevity

- 75% of all aluminium produced so far is still in use
- Aluminium can be kept unpainted in normal environmental conditions
  - Oldest aluminium roof in the world: San Gioacchino church of 1896
- Aluminium survives harshest marine conditions:
  - Wide use in helicopter decks and living quarters of offshore platforms





## Ease of inspection

As aluminium does not need to be painted and is rust-free, it can easily be inspected with visual means. Any other inspection methods for other metals can also be applied on aluminium.

This is expected to reduce the need for costly and intensive maintenance – especially when used in offshore wind turbines.



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Source: ZDF



## Wide range of surface treatments

- Due to its natural oxide layer, an aluminium surface does not corrode and does not need to be painted for surface protection
- For aesthetical reasons and to gain a certain appearance, an aluminium surface can be:
  - Sand- or shot-blasted
  - Painted
  - Brushed or polished
  - Anodized

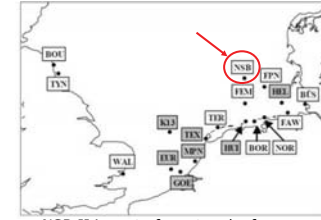


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## North Sea Buoy II

- Container with measuring equipment
  - Made of painted aluminium
  - Mounted on top of the buoy during operation



- NSB II is part of a network of meteorological measurement stations in the North Sea



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## North Sea Buoy II

- NSB II has been operated in the open sea for 32 years with no maintenance other than occasional cleaning

- Maintenance was necessary in June 2010 due to collision damage
- Buoy was cleaned with 80 bar-high pressure water jet
- NSB II is in operation again

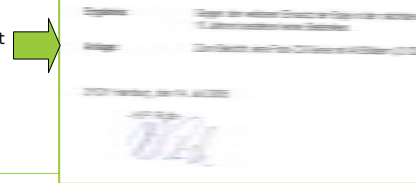


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## North Sea Buoy II Technical survey in 2005

- **No substantial wall thickness reduction** on any part of the buoy
- **No cracks** in base material or weld seams
- **Weldability** identical to new material
- **Joints with stainless steel screws** (1.4571) fully intact without galvanic isolation

Result:  
No objection against  
another 10 years  
of operation

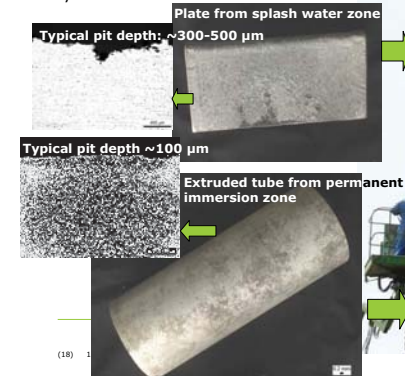


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## North Sea Buoy II

- Investigation of samples at Hydro R&D after 32 years in service



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Galvanic Corrosion  
Outdoor exposure trial on Helgoland

Practical potential series  
in seawater pH 7.5 [mV]

Stainless 1.4571	+ 220
Silver	+ 149
Copper	+ 10
Stainless 1.4301	- 145
Lead	- 259
Unalloyed steel	- 580
Aluminium	- 670
Zinc	- 806

Stainless 1.4571  
X6CrNiMoTi17-12-2

Al MgSi

Unalloyed steel

Al MgSi

Samples:  
friction stir welded rods

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area ratio 3:1

area ratio 1:1

AlMgSi/1.4571 after 3 years

area ratio 3:1

area ratio 1:1

AlMgSi/C35 after 2 years

Source: Prof. Dr. B. Arnold, IWS Hamburg

Alternate immersion zone

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Outdoor exposure trial

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in seawater pH 7.5 [mV]

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Aluminium	- 670
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No galvanic corrosion

AlMgSi 1.4571

Significant galvanic corrosion

AlMgSi C35

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Galvanic Corrosion  
Conclusions

- Al alloys are compatible with seawater proof stainless steel (with Mo)
  - If Al alloys are coupled with
    - unalloyed steel, or
    - stainless steel without Mothe cathode (steel) should be coated to effectively avoid galvanic corrosion
  - The smaller the cathodic (steel) surface is with respect to the Al surface, the smaller is the galvanic corrosion rate
- Do not coat the anode only!  
(coating defects will cause strong local corrosion)

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Lille Frigg Protection Cover after  
removal



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Lille Frigg Protection Cover after  
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## Lille Frigg Protection Cover after removal



Hinge for aluminium protection cover and steel structure

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## Lille Frigg Protection Cover



For corrosion protection, galvanic anodes are used. The need for galvanic anodes is ~10% of what is needed for steel structures.

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## Summary

- **Lightweight**
  - Typical weight savings of 50% for both mechanical and electrical applications
- **Built-in fire protection**
  - Inherent lightning protection
- **Ease of inspection**
  - Unpainted surfaces for simplified visual inspection
- **High thermal conductivity**
  - Further weight reductions through reduced cooling requirements
- **Recyclability**
  - End-of-use value helps to offset decommissioning costs
- **Wide range of surface treatments**
- **Combination of steel and aluminium possible through appropriate design and surface coating of steel.**

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## An opportunity for the Wind Industry?

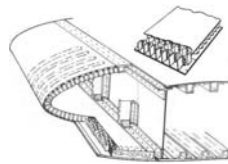
A major issue regarding life cycle costs of wind turbines, is durability and end of life scrapping of fibreglass/CFRP rotor blades.

It has been suggested by several turbine manufacturers that an Al solution would be desirable.

Experience from the aerospace industries suggests that this would be possible.

However, the development and testing of a full scale blade is a major investment and would require industry-wide interest and support.

A solution would be to form an industry-wide consortium, including Hydro Aluminium as partner.



Sandwich core structure for aircraft wings



Aircraft Wing Box

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## HiPRWind

### Large floating turbines for intermediate water depths

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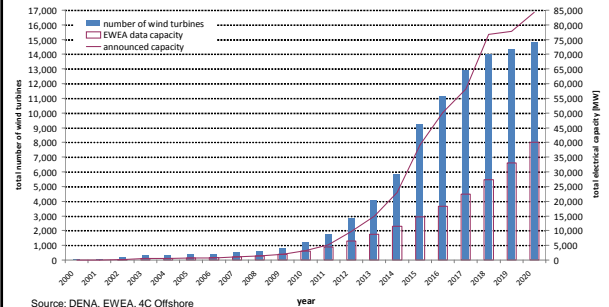


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## European offshore wind market development: EWEA scenario and "project pipeline"

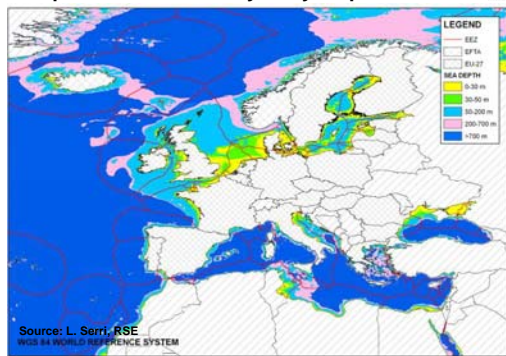


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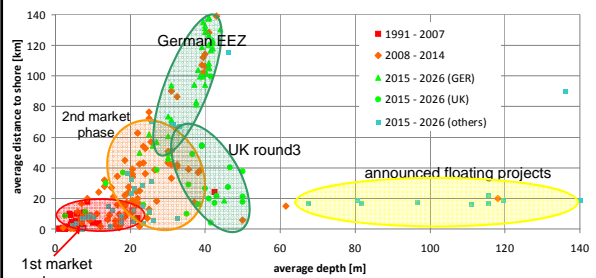
## European EEZs and bathymetry map



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## Development phases of the EU offshore wind market in terms of water depth (m) and distance to shore (km) up to 2025

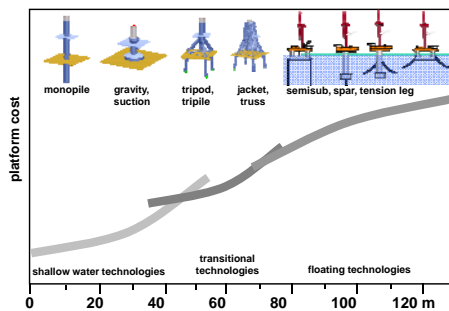


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## Platform technologies change with water depth



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## Floating concepts: project examples



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### Call FP7-ENERGY-2010-1

- Topic ENERGY.2010.2.3-1: Cross-sectoral approach to the development of very large offshore wind turbines
- Collaborative project, where „the active participation of stakeholders involved in harsh environment industrial developments is essential to achieving the full impact of the project.“
- Scope
  - Testing at industrial prototype scale to develop 10 MW range OWT
  - Treat bottleneck issues such as maintenance, power stability, weight/size limitations
  - Advanced power electronics and ICT sub-systems
- 1st deadline on 15th October 2009
- 35 M€ available for 6 distinct topics in 3 different research areas

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### HiPRwind: key facts and figures

#### „High Power, high Reliability offshore wind technology“

Project coordinator: Fraunhofer IWES



- Funded under the European Commission's 7th Framework Programme
  - Main source for European R&D funding, 50+ billions € over 7 years
  - Theme ENERGY.2010.2.3-1: Cross-sectoral approach to the development of very large offshore wind turbines
  - Involvement of offshore industry stakeholders required
- Project start date: November 1, 2010. End date: October 31, 2015
- Total budget ~ 20 million €, total EC-funding 11 million €
- 1130 man months over 5 years

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### Programme

- **Aim:**  
install and operate a floating MW-class wind turbine for research purpose
- **Potential Location:**  
Bay of Biscay, off Bilbao in Spain
- **Industrial challenge:** design, procurement, construction and installation of the floating WT within three years of project start and within the available budget
- **Research prospects:** „unrestricted“ access to data from experiments on a real wind turbine in harsh offshore conditions during at least two years



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### Work plan

Main research topics:

- Floater and mooring systems
- Controls, power and grid
- Condition and structural health monitoring
- Advanced rotor concepts

Timing:

- 1<sup>st</sup> year: design of the floating platform and of the research equipment
- 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year: procurement, construction and installation of the floating WT
- 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> year: WT operation and maintenance for experimental research

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### Consortium: Partners

A strong consortium with experience in offshore developments:

#### Industry

Acciona Energia (Spain)  
Acciona Wind Power (Spain)  
Technip (France)  
ABB (Switzerland)  
Bureau Veritas (France)  
Mammoet (Netherlands)  
IDESIA (Spain)  
Vicinay Cadenas (Spain)

#### Universities

NTNU (Norway)  
Universität Siegen (Germany)

#### R&D SMEs

Olav Olsen (Norway)  
Tecnalia-Robotiker (Spain)  
The Welding Institute (UK)  
Wölfel berat. Ing. (Germany)  
Micromega (Belgium)  
1-Tech (Belgium)

#### Research organisations

Fraunhofer IWES and IZFP  
SINTEF (Norway)  
Narec (UK)

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### Consortium: Nationalities and partners/country



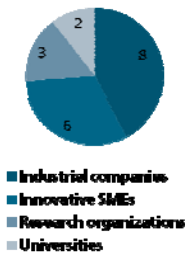
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### Consortium: Cross-sectoral composition

#### Partners by category



#### Budget distribution

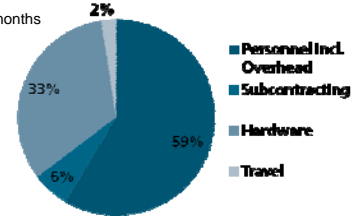


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### Budget overview

Total budget 19.8 M€  
EC funding 11.0 M€  
Work volume 1130 Man-months

#### Total budget by type of costs



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### Challenges in the design process





- Iterative design process
- Competences, contributions and roles of the partners
- Available software tools, interfaces between the tools and partners
- Design framework (Metocean, wind turbine, budget, ...)
- Requirements for wave tank testing of a physical model
- Turbine modification vs platform stability; Moorings and station keeping
- Assembly, Installation and Commissioning Procedures
- Operation and Maintenance concept
- Generation of a reliable budget for manufacturing, assembly, installation and operation
- Certification and Permitting requirements for the offshore site
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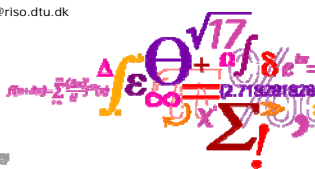



## Prospects of Large Floating Vertical Axis Wind Turbines

Wind Power R&D seminar – Deep sea offshore wind  
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- Introduction
- DeepWind concept description
- Dimensions
- Challenges and results from first order investigations
- DeepWind project description and partners
- Conclusions

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  - Hypothesis of the project
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## Introduction

### Cost of onshore to offshore wind power


- Offshore wind energy is growing fast. In Europe, new offshore power installation is expected to grow by 28% each year (EWEA report 2009)

....BUT

- In average the cost of offshore wind energy is 2400 Euro/kW versus the 1250 Euro/kW of the on shore wind energy (data 2008, from EWEA report 2009)
- The deployment of new wind resources is limited by the logistic, for example the water depth, the distance from shore, the grid connection...

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## Introduction

### DeepWind hypothesis

- So far, offshore wind energy has been mainly based on onshore technology moved in shallow waters
- In order to reduce the cost, offshore wind energy needs new concepts specifically designed for offshore conditions
- Key issues for a successful offshore concept are:
  - ✓ Simplicity
  - ✓ Up-scaling potential
  - ✓ Suitability for deep sites

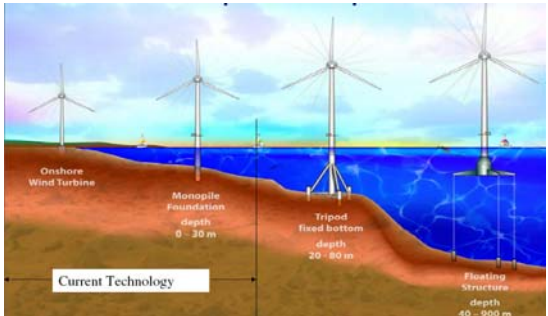
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## Introduction

### From shore to deep sea



from NREL and MIT (Sclavounos)

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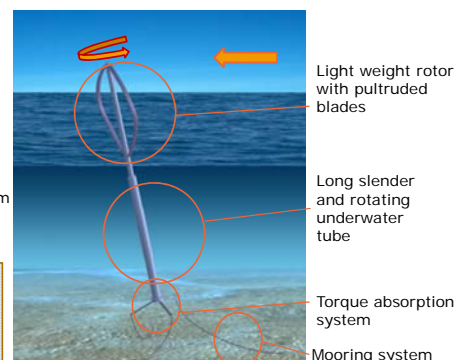
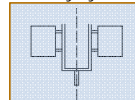
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  - General concept description
  - Components description
  - Upscaling
  - Installation and O&M strategies
- Dimensions and challenges
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## DeepWind concept description General concept description

- floating and rotating tube as a spar buoy
- No pitch, no yaw system
- C.O.G. very low –counter weight at bottom of tube
- Safety system

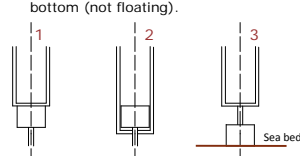


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## DeepWind concept description Components - Generator configurations

- The Generator is at the bottom end of the tube; several configuration are possible to convert the energy
- Three selected to be investigated first:
  1. Generator fixed on the torque arms, shaft rotating with the tower
  2. Generator inside the structure and rotating with the tower. Shaft fixed to the torque arms
  3. Generator fixed on the sea bed and tower. The tower is fixed on the bottom (not floating).

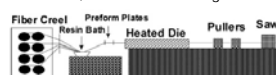


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## DeepWind concept description Components – Blades technology

- The blade geometry is constant along the blade length
- The blades can be produced in GRP
- Pultrusion technology: 11 m chord, several 100 m long blade length
- Pultrusion technology could be performed on a ship at site
- Blades can be produced in modules

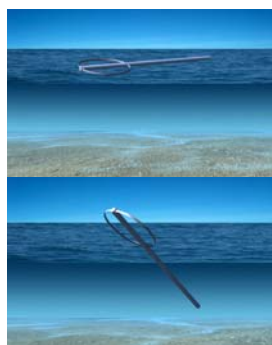


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## Deep Wind Concept Installation, Operation and Maintenance

- INSTALLATION
  - ✓ Using a two bladed rotor, the turbine and the rotor can be towed to the site by a ship. The structure, without counterweight, can float horizontally in the water. Ballast can be gradually added to tilt up the turbine.
- O&M
  - ✓ Moving the counterweight in the bottom of the foundation is possible to tilt up the submerged part for service.
  - ✓ It is possible to place a lift inside the tubular structure.

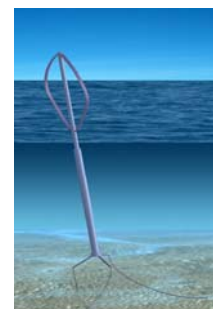


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## Deep Wind Concept Upscaling

- Pultrusion technology allows for very long and fail-free manufactured blades
- Concept simplicity
- Few components with less down time failures
- Cost-effective different materials for large structure
- Specific requirements to maintain the underwater components



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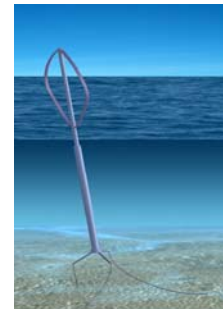
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## Dimensions

### 2MW Dimensions

	Deep Wind
Power	2 MW
Rotor Diameter	67 m
Rotor Height	75 m
Chord (blades number)	3.2 m (2)
Rotational speed at rated conditions	15.0 rpm
Radius of the rotor tower	2.0 m
Maximum radius of the submerged part	3.5 m
Total tower length (underwater part)	183 m (93m)
Displacement	3000 tons



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## Dimensions

### 2MW VAWT vs HAWT



	Deep Wind	HyWind *
Power	2 MW	2.3 MW
Rotor Diameter	67 m	82.4 m
Rotor Height	75 m	65.0 m
Chord (blades number)	3.2 m (2)	(3)
Rotational speed at rated conditions	15.0 rpm	16.0 rpm
Radius of the rotor tower	2.0 m	3.0 m
Maximum radius of the submerged part	3.5 m	4.15 m
Total tower length (underwater part)	183 m (93m)	165 (100)
Displacement	3000 tons	5300 tons

\*"HYWIND, Concept, challenges and opportunities"; Statoil



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## Dimensions

### 20 MW outlook



	2 MW	20MW
Power	2 MW	20 MW
Rotor Diameter	67 m	240 m
Rotor Height	75 m	240 m
Chord (blades number)	3.2 m (2)	11.0 m(2)
Rotational speed at rated conditions	15.0 rpm	4.1 rpm
Radius of the rotor tower	2.0 m	3.0 m
Maximum radius of the submerged part	3.5 m	6.5 m
Total tower length (underwater part)	183 m (93m)	340 (105)
Displacement	3000 tons	13000 tons

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  - Time domain simulations with aero-elastic code
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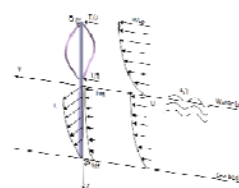
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## Challenges and results from first order investigations

### Main challenges connected with the concept

- Very large lateral forces on the underwater part of the rotating structure due to water currents
- Very large torque at the bottom of the structure
- Maintenance operation needed in very deep water



Wsp:	Wind speed
U:	Water current speed
A, T:	Significant wave height and wave period
T:	Aerodynamic force on the rotor
Q:	Aerodynamic torque
L:	Hydrodynamic side force
Fm:	Hydrodynamic forces in oscillatory flow as formulated by Morrison
Mf:	Friction Moment

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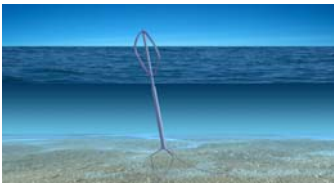


Challenges and results from first order investigations

Fluid interaction investigation: loads on the tower and friction losses

$$L = L(Re, \alpha)$$
$$\alpha = \frac{\omega R}{U}$$

$U = 1\text{ m/s}$   
 $R = 3\text{ m}$



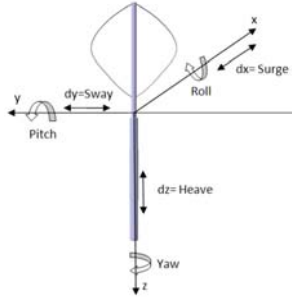
$\alpha$	L per meter [kN/m]	Aerodynamic Thrust [kN]	Friction Power [kW]	Generated Power [kW]	Friction/Generated power
1.4 (5.5rpm)	9.950	65.81	3.71	0.0	/
2.9 (11rpm)	23.72	186.85	16.69	1050	0.012(1.2%)
3.9 (15rpm)	25.15	239.65	43.20	1960	0.022(2.2%)

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Challenges and results from first order investigations

Degrees of freedom of the system



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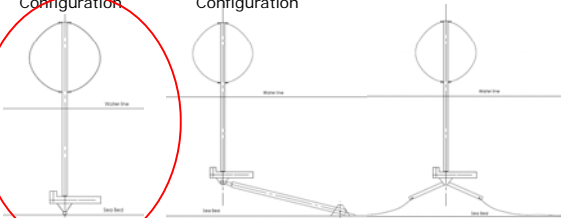
Selected configuration

	Surge	Sway	Heave	Pitch	Roll
1 <sup>st</sup> Configuration				X	X
2 <sup>nd</sup> Configuration			X	X	X
3 <sup>rd</sup> Configuration	X	X	X	X	X

1<sup>st</sup> Configuration

2<sup>nd</sup> Configuration

3<sup>rd</sup> Configuration



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Selected configuration

• Wind speed:

- ✓ 14 m/s constant, no turbulence
- ✓ Direction y axis
- ✓ Wind shear: power law,  $\alpha=0.14$

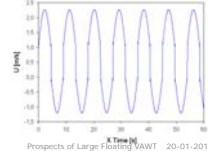
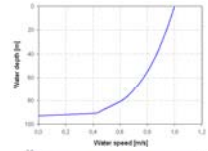
• Water currents:

- ✓ 1m/s
- ✓ Direction x axis

• Waves:

- ✓ Regular waves
- ✓ Significant height 4.0m
- ✓ Wave Period 9.0s
- ✓ Direction: x axis

	Wind	Waves	Currents
1 <sup>st</sup> load case	X		X
2 <sup>nd</sup> load case	X	X	
3 <sup>rd</sup> load case	X	X	X

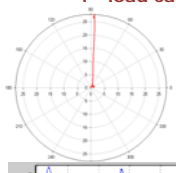


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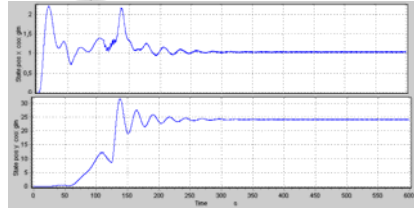
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	Wind	Waves	Currents
1 <sup>st</sup> load case	X		X
2 <sup>nd</sup> load case	X	X	
3 <sup>rd</sup> load case	X	X	X

1<sup>st</sup> load case:

- $Y_0=24.9\text{ m}$  and  $X_0=1\text{ m}$
- Tilt angle of 15.9 degrees

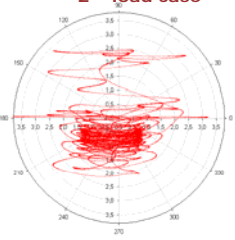


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2<sup>nd</sup> load case



	Wind	Waves	Currents
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2 <sup>nd</sup> load case	X	X	
3 <sup>rd</sup> load case	X	X	X

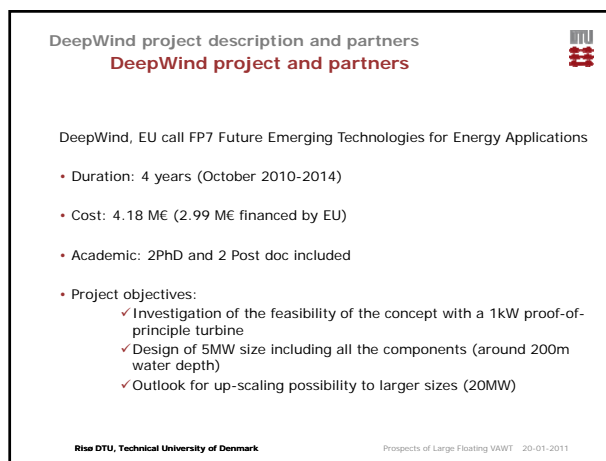
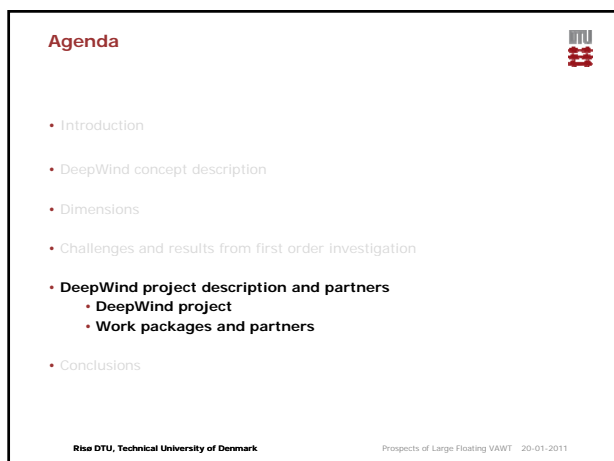
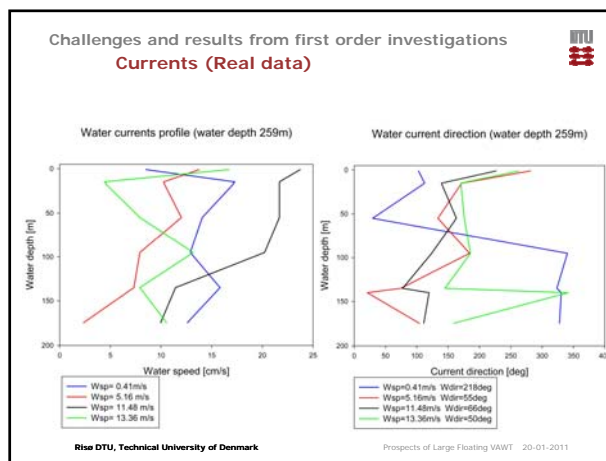
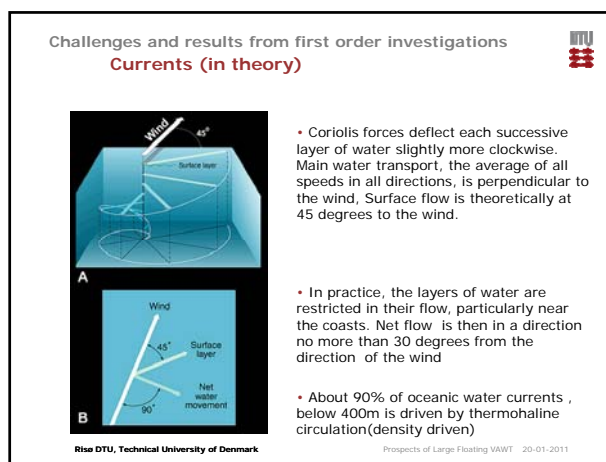
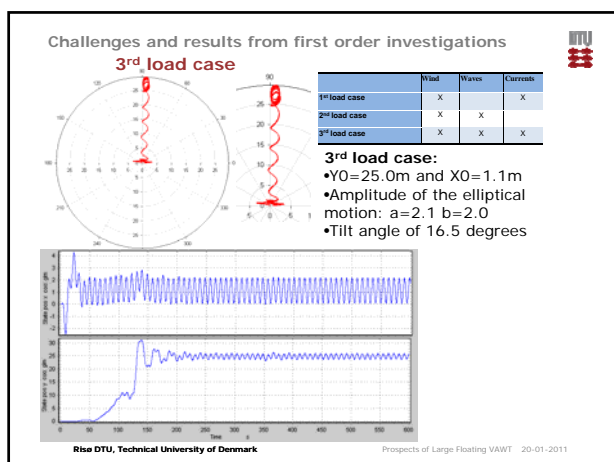
2<sup>nd</sup> load case:

- $Y_0=-0.75\text{ m}$  and  $X_0=-0.25$
- Tilt angle <1 degree

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## DeepWind project description and partners

### DeepWind project and partners



#### • Work Packages:

1. Aero-elastic fully coupled code implementation and simulation
2. Blade technology and blade design
3. Generator concepts
4. Turbine system controls
5. Mooring, floating and torque absorption systems
6. Exploration of torque, lift and drag on a rotating tube
7. Proof-of-principle experiments
8. Integration of technologies and upscaling

#### Partners:

- ✓ Risø-DTU, MEK-DTU, TUDelft, Aalborg University, DHI, SINTEF, Marintek, Università di Trento, NREL
- ✓ Vestas, Nenuphar, Statoil

#### Advisory board:

- ✓ L.O.R.C., DNV, Grontmij CarlBro, DS SM A/S, Vatenfall, Vertax Wind Ltd

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### Preliminary conclusions and next steps



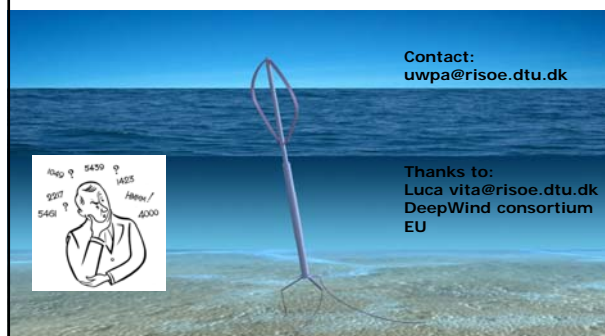
- DeepWind aim is to address a solution for offshore wind power at deep sea
- Hydrodynamics forces seem to be dominant in the analysis of the concept
- The choice of the site is crucial for DeepWind concept; a thorough investigation of the met-ocean data at the site is needed
- The simplicity of the design can allow some adaptation strategies to particular sites, if previously investigated
- DeepWind has potential for large up-scaling
- Specific challenges will be investigated in the WPs
- A first experimental study on a small demonstrator will be carried out at Risø fjord at the end of the year

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### Questions and discussion



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## **A2) New turbine technology**


Novel PM generators for large wind turbines, Alexey Matveev, SmartMotor

Novel methodology for fatigue design of wind turbine components of ductile cast iron, Prof Gunnar Härkegård, NTNU

New power electronic schemes for large wind turbines,  
Prof Marta Molinas, NTNU

Standard for floating wind turbine structures,  
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# Novel PM generators for large wind turbines

by Alexey Matveev


Wind Power R&D seminar - Deep sea offshore wind power, 20-21 January 2011, Trondheim, Norway

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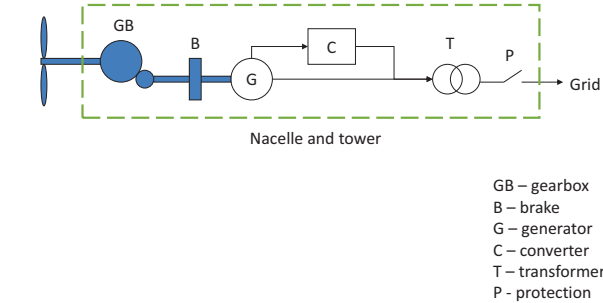
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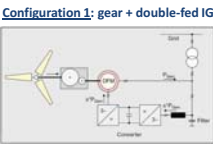


## The general drive train scheme



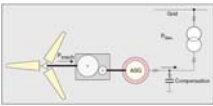
## Basic drive train solutions

Configuration 1: gear + double-fed IG



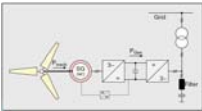
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Configuration 2: gear + IG



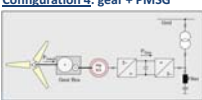
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Configuration 3: direct SG with wound rotor



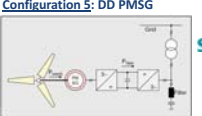
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Configuration 4: gear + PMSG



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Configuration 5: DD PMSG



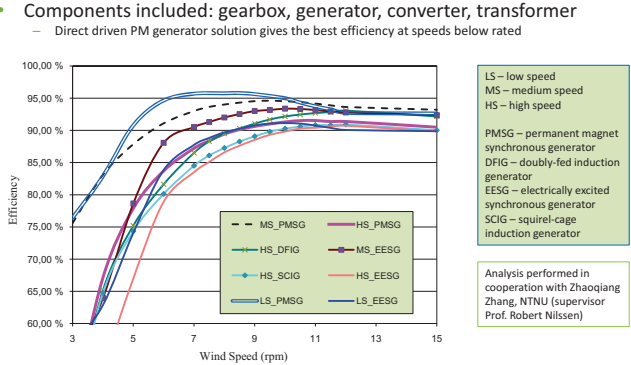
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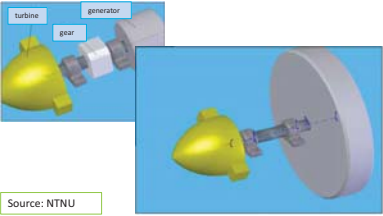


## Efficiency of different drive trains



## Direct drive vs geared solution

- Direct drive is larger and heavier, but
- it doesn't suffer gearbox-related problems





## High-torque generator for direct drive

- High-torque generator for direct drive is large. This is basically the only drawback of direct drive solution



PM generator from Siemens. 3 MW, 17 rpm

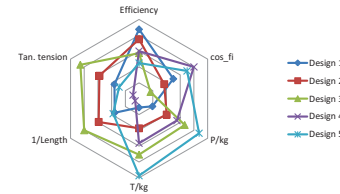
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## Some conclusions

- Drive trains with PM generators have the best efficiency
  - Especially without gear (direct drive) and 1-stage gear
- However, there are other characteristics to take into account:
  - Weight
  - Cost
  - Power factor
  - Lifetime
  - Reliability
  - Manufacturability
  - ...
- Design means finding a trade-off between various criteria



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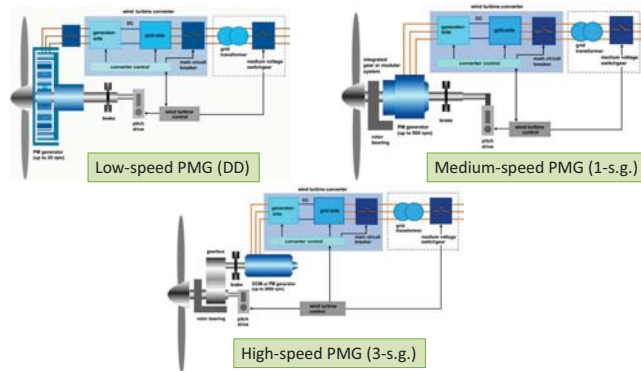
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## Available solutions with PMG



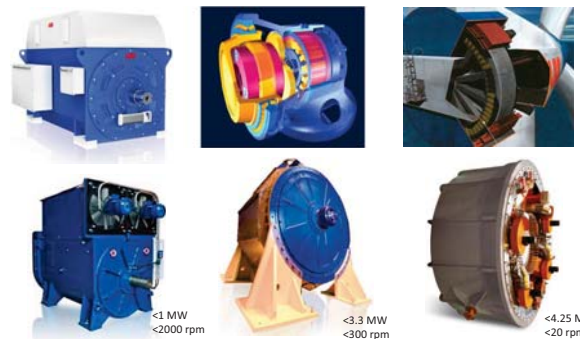
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## Products of ABB and TheSwitch

- Low-speed, medium-speed and high-speed generators



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## Commercial power electronics

- Examples of medium-voltage (ABB) and low-voltage (TheSwitch) converters



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## Is it end of the story?

- Big companies have products and even complete packages up to approximately 5-7 MW. Is it end of the development?

NO!!!

- New concepts under investigation, for example:
  - Magnetic gears and Pseudo-direct drive
  - Superconducting machines
- There are problems when going to powers higher then 5-7 MW. These are to be solved!

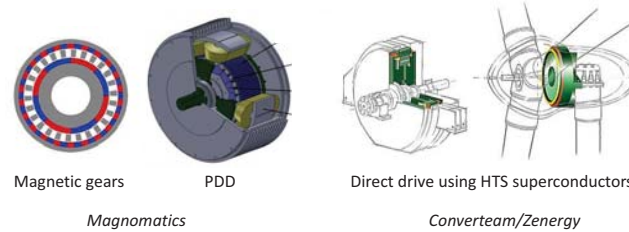
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## Examples of new concepts

- Magnetic gears, pseudo-direct drive (PDD), superconducting machines
- The concepts have not been proven yet for high-power WEC



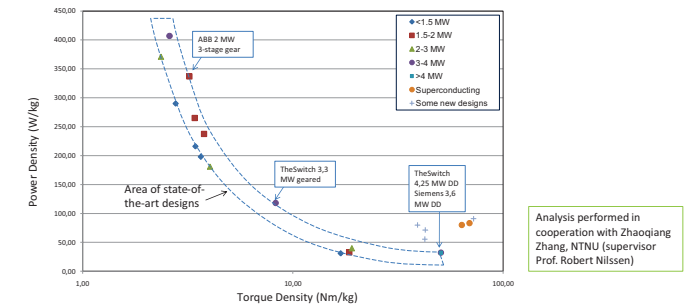
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## Technology frontier for PM generators

- State-of-the-art in generator weight (expressed via power and torque densities, each point corresponds to one generator design)



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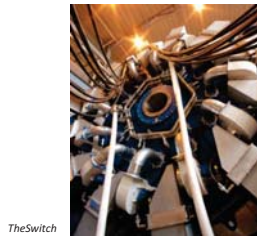
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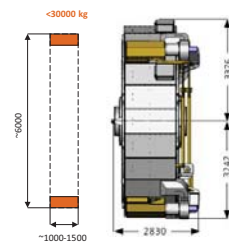
## Active parts, cooling and carrying structure

- Active parts make 30-40% of total weight
- Cooling system defines size of active parts, it may take considerable space
- Carrying structure is usually massive

Rated power	1800 kW
Rated speed	17.5 rpm
Voltage	690 V
Weight	81000 kg
Cooling system	Air-to-air heat exchanger



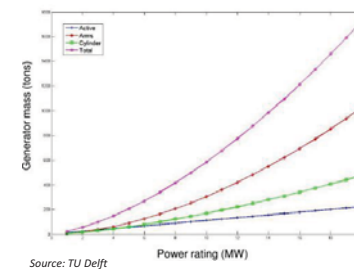
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## When going for higher powers...

- Weight of carrying structure grows disproportionately!



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## ...next part

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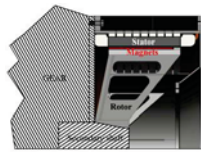
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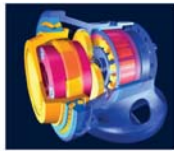


## Integration strategies

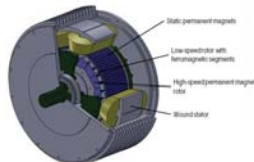
- For drive trains with gearboxes: integrate generator with gearbox (see examples below)
- For direct drive: integrate generator with the turbine! (examples will follow)



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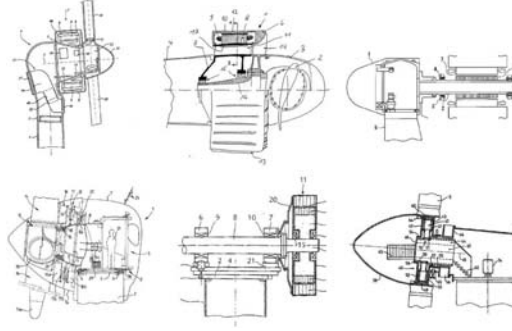
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## Direct-driven generator in the nacelle

- Just a few of numerous patented designs



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## Direct-driven generator in the nacelle

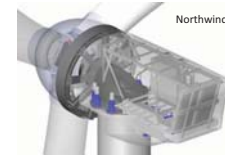
- Popular concept: generator between blades and tower



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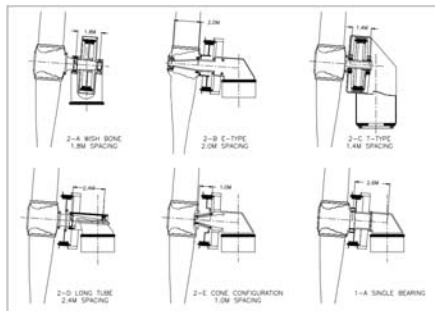
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## Direct-driven generator in the nacelle

- Integration variants



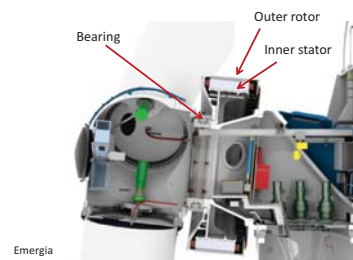
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## Direct-driven generator outside the nacelle

- No shaft
- Single bearing common for generator and blades



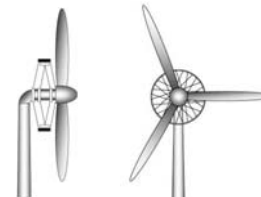
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## Direct-driven generator outside the nacelle

- Different approaches to weight reduction



Concept: light carrying structure of the generator



Concept: integration of generator with blades

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## Key to success for generator supplier

- Work in close contact with the turbine designers
- Provide best active parts
  - Lightest
  - Most compact
  - Giving high efficient energy conversion
  - Segmented
  - Easy to integrate
  - Cheap in production
  - With low cogging
  - Medium- and low-voltage

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## ...next part

- Drive train configurations
- State of the art PMG-based solutions
- Integration: the path to win for direct drive
- SmartMotor in wind

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## What is SmartMotor

- Established in 1996 in Trondheim, Norway
- One of the largest R&D groups in the world with focus on PM technology



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## Reference projects offshore

- Low-voltage and medium-voltage machines of MW-class



1.1 MW tidal turbine of Atlantis Resource Corporation (delivered)



0.8 MW propulsion system for Rolls-Royce Marine (in operation)



10 MW offshore wind turbine of SWAY (under construction)

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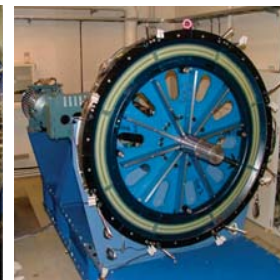


## The technologies we believe in

- PM machines with concentrated winding and ironless machines
- Ideal for high-torque applications like wind turbines with direct drive



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## Our technologies

- Concentrated winding technology is advantageous compared to distributed winding in high-torque applications due to
  - higher slot fill factor and consequently better cooling of the copper
    - Pre-shaping of the coil
    - No insulation is needed between different phases
  - segmentation with distributed winding leads to half-empty slots (10% loss in total slot filling), while with concentrated winding all slots are filled
  - low cogging
    - Competitors achieve this by shaping magnets
    - SmartMotor apply patented slot/pole combinations
- Ironless technology is advantageous for machines with large diameter
  - There is no attracting force between rotors and stator
  - The structure is not sensitive to relative displacement of rotors and stator



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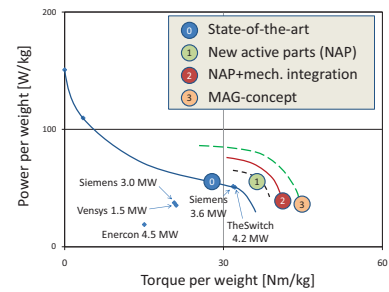
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### Our R&D directions

- Shift PMG technology frontier by introducing new concepts
- Find new integration solutions together with wind turbine manufacturers



### Our R&D directions

- Novel transformer-less concepts
- ABB have developed concepts with direct high-voltage DC outputs based on use of machines with high-voltage insulation
- SmartMotor have developed similar concept where machine with low-voltage insulation can be used (which means considerably more compact and cheap machine)

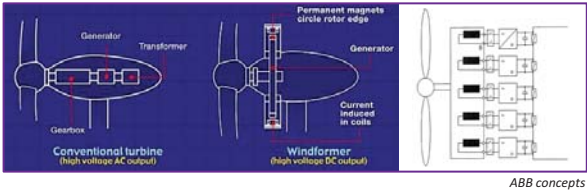


ABB concepts

...the end)

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**Novel Methodology for Fatigue Design of  
Wind Turbine Components of  
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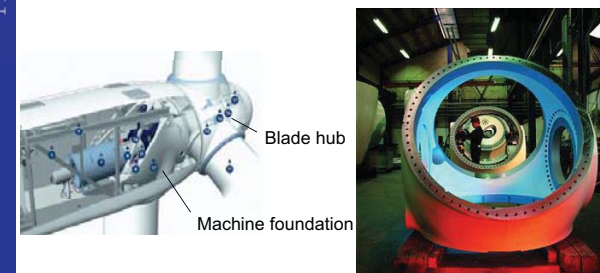
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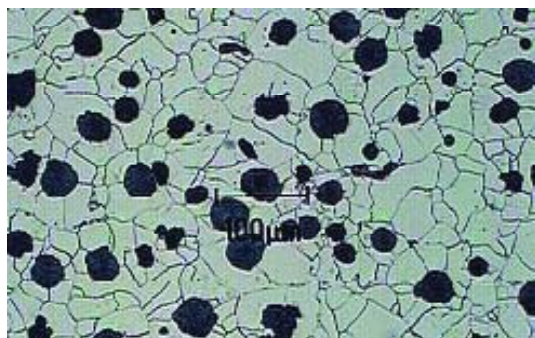
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**3 MW wind turbine with components made  
of ductile cast iron EN-GJS-400-18-LT**



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**Ductile cast iron GJS-400 with spheroidal  
graphite nodules in a ferritic matrix**



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**FATIGUE DESIGN**

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**Traditional fatigue design**

$$\sigma_{a, eq} \leq \sigma_{AN, reduced}$$

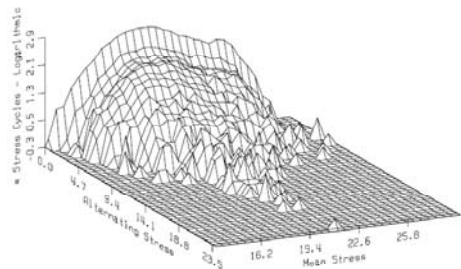
- Multiaxial stress
- Variable amplitude
- Stress distribution
- Mean stress

- Technological size effect
- Surface condition
- Environment
- Safety margin

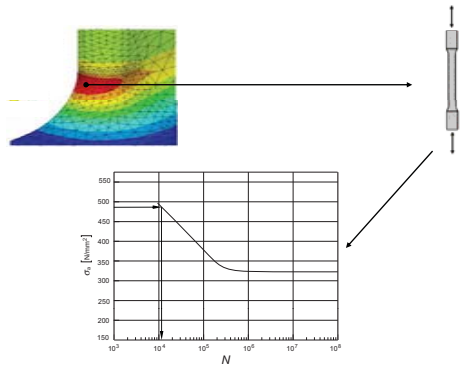
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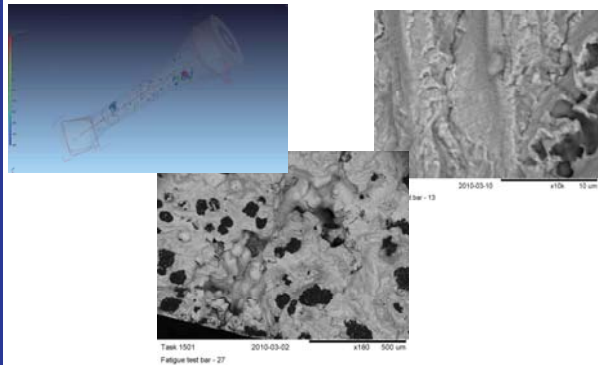
Mean stress vs. stress amplitude histogram according to rain-flow cycle count



Peak-stress  $S-N$  (stress – life) approach



Fatigue crack initiation and growth from a sub-mm shrinkage cavity in ductile cast iron



Different approaches to fatigue analysis implemented in P•FAT, a FEA based post-processor developed at NTNU

Material properties	Deterministic	Probabilistic
Fatigue model		
Fatigue crack 'initiation' $S-N$ -data ( $a \approx 1$ mm)	Peak Stress	Weakest Link
Fatigue crack growth $da/dn = f(\Delta\sigma, a; R)$	Single Defect	Random Defect

WEAKEST-LINK MODELLING OF STATISTICAL SIZE EFFECT

Weakest-link theory due to Weibull





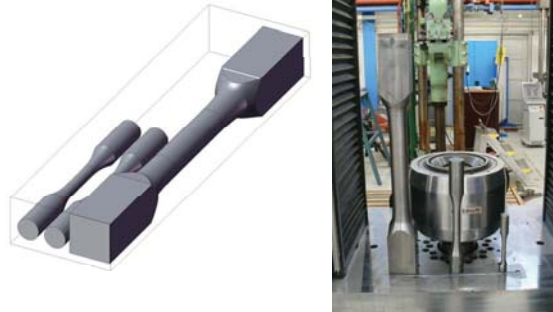
### Weibull stress amplitude

A homogeneously stressed 'reference' specimen of volume  $V_0$  has the same probability of survival as an arbitrary component, if its stress amplitude is chosen such that

$$\bar{\sigma}_a = \left( \frac{1}{V_0} \int_V \sigma_a^{b_\sigma} dV \right)^{1/b_\sigma}$$

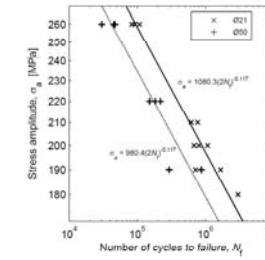
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### Ø21 and Ø50 fatigue test specimens cut out of T95 GJS-400 'reference' casting

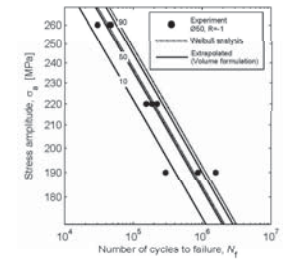


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### S-N data demonstrating size effect for Ø21 and Ø50 specimens



### Prediction of size effect for Ø50 by means of weakest-link theory



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### 140 x 120 fatigue test specimens cut out of T150 GJS-400 'reference' casting

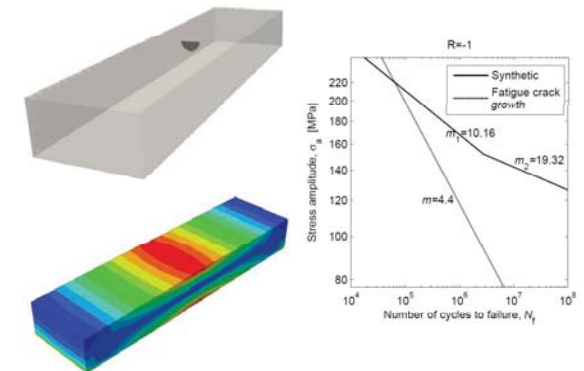


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### FATIGUE-CRACK GROWTH

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### Fatigue life in the presence of casting defect based on S-N and FCG analysis



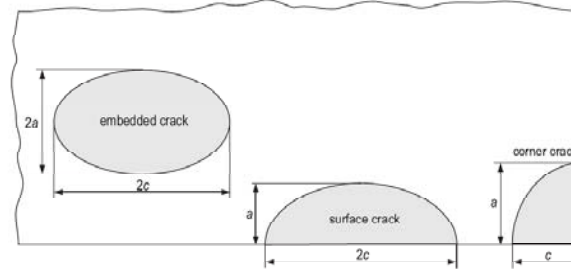
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## Single Defect

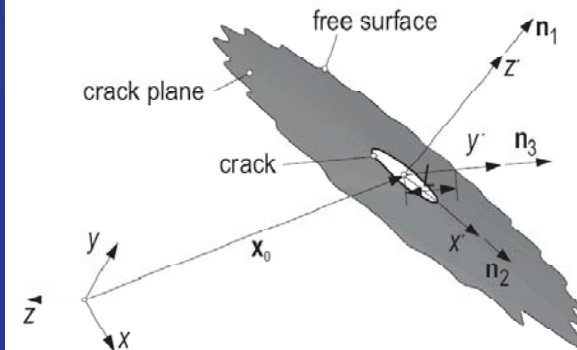
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## Crack configurations implemented in P•FAT



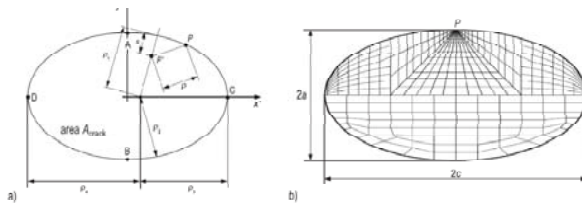
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## Definition of crack plane and local co-ordinate system



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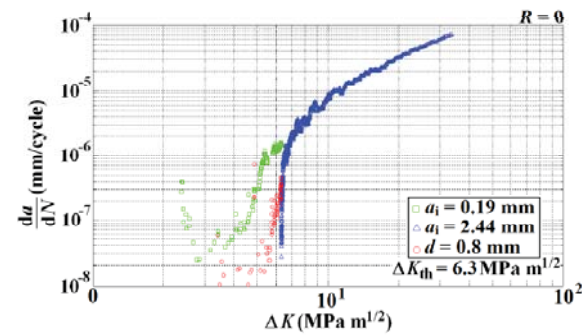
## Computation of $K_I(P)$ from stress field (FEA) and weight function (integration mesh)



$$K_I(P) = \int_{A_{\text{crack}}} \sigma_{z'}(x', y') \cdot g(x', y', P) dA$$

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## Growth of sub-mm and mm size fatigue cracks in GJS-400



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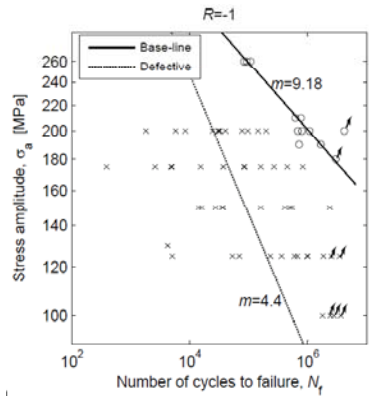
## Samples cut out of a rejected hub



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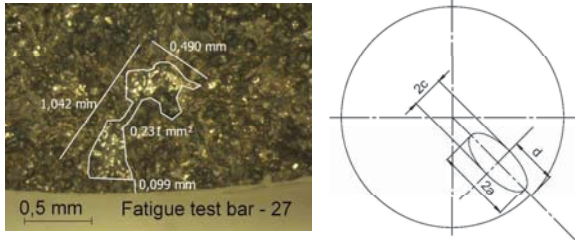


S-N data for defective and ‘reference’ GJS-400



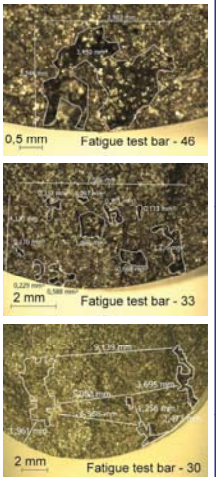
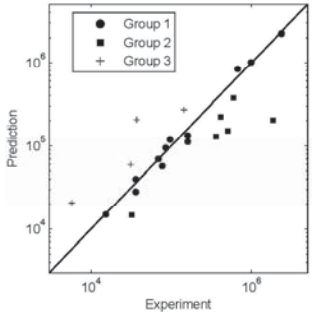
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Modelling defect in P•FAT



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Fatigue life predictions

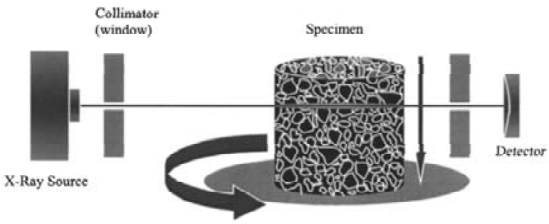


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Random Defect

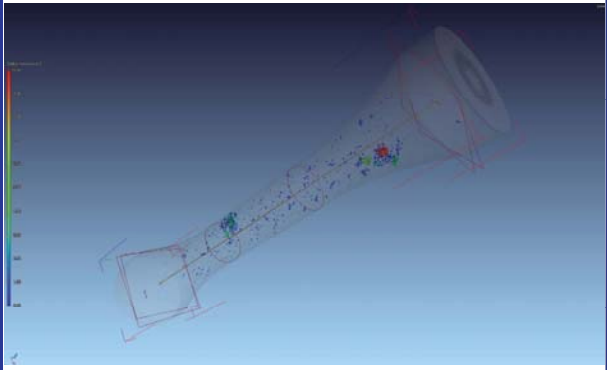
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Schematic of a CT system



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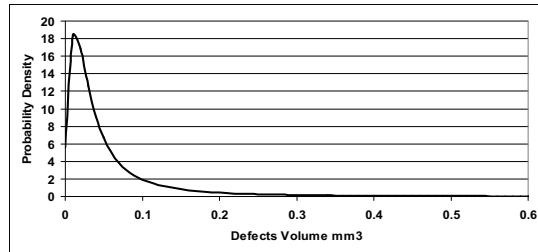
X-ray computed tomography of Ø21 fatigue test specimen



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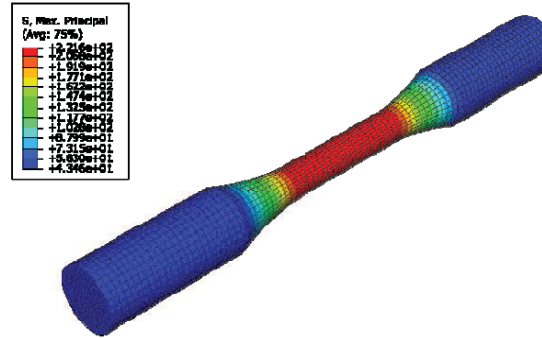


### Defect size distribution



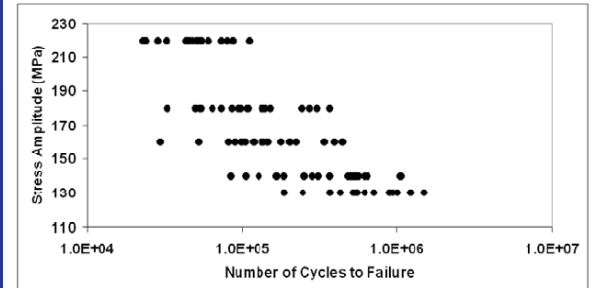
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### Stress distribution of Ø21 test specimen



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### 'Monte Carlo' simulation of *S-N* data



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### Turbine hub stress field for post-processing



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### Fatigue assessment moving from empirical rules towards mechanism-based analysis

- ☐ Post-processing of the complete FEA stress field as opposed to empirical local-stress concepts
- ☐ Account for crack growth from material defects
  - ✓ NDE findings
  - ✓ statistical distribution
- ☐ Through-process modelling
  - ✓ casting
  - ✓ welding

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# Offshore Wind Farm Research: Quo Vadis?

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## Offshore new challenges

### Investment

- Power density: weight and size
- Platforms

### Operation

- Grid integration
- Reliability
- Efficiency

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## Research opportunities

### Offshore grid topologies

- DC grids
- AC grids, Hybrids
- Series, parallel

### Operation

- Modulation
- Control

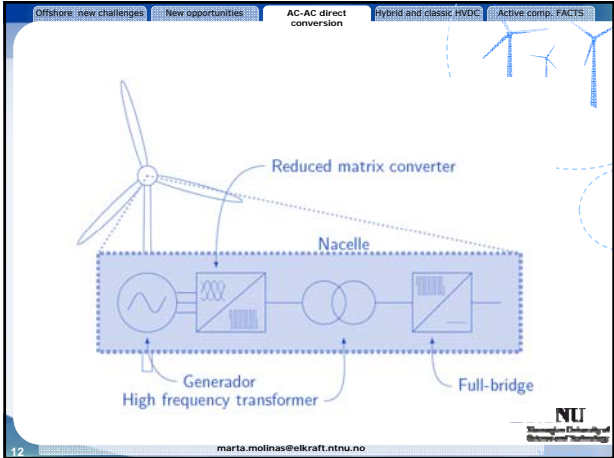
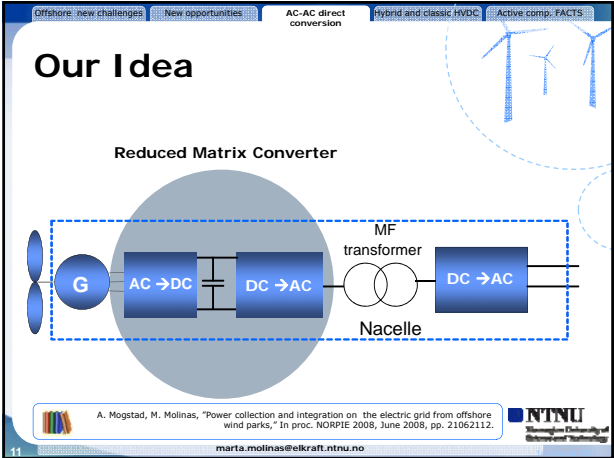
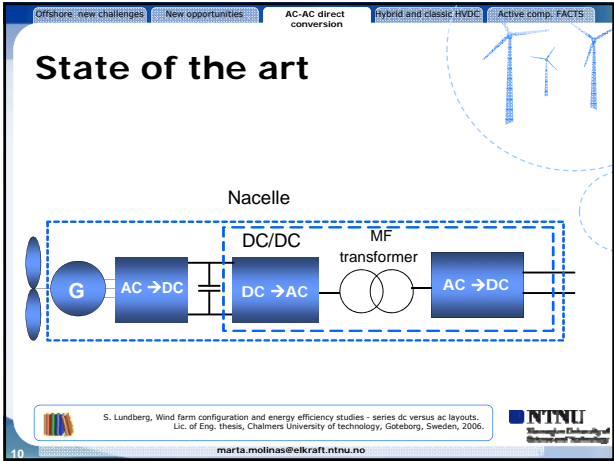
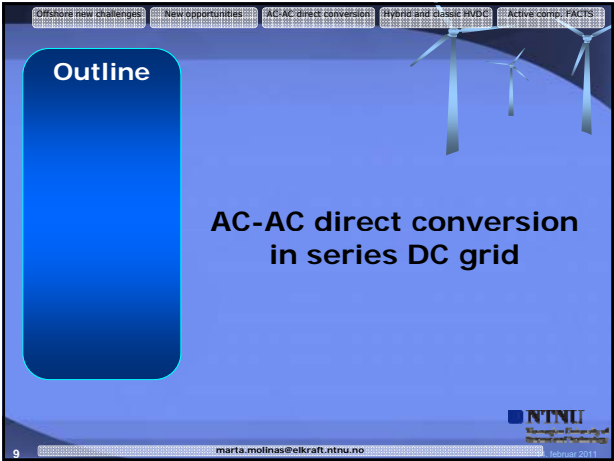
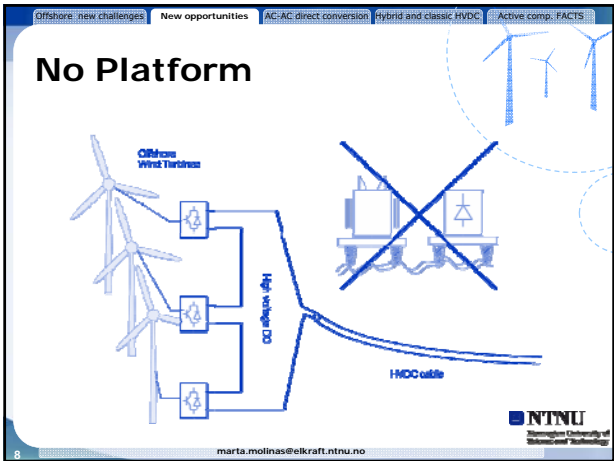
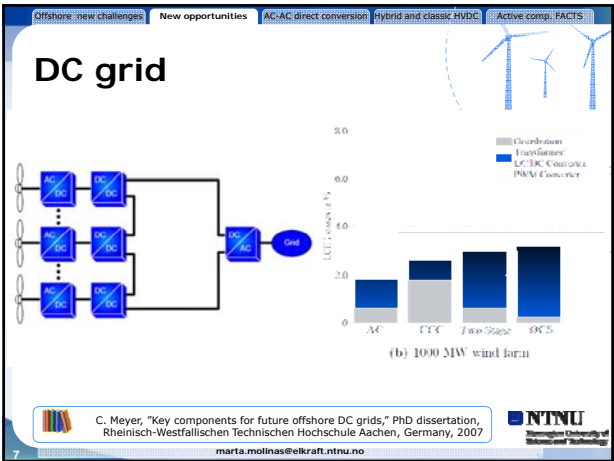
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- Modularity
- Reduced number of stages
- New type of semiconductor devices

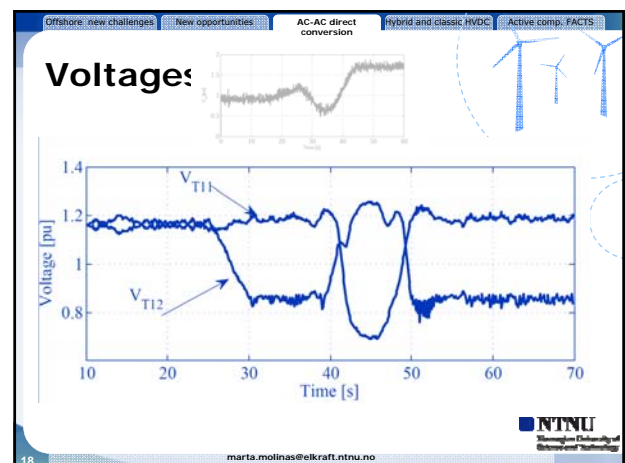
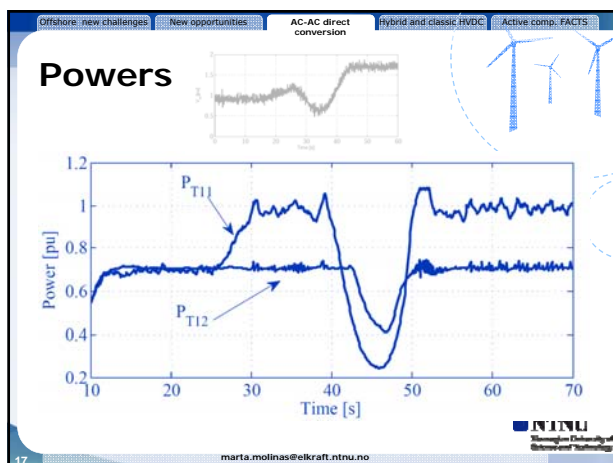
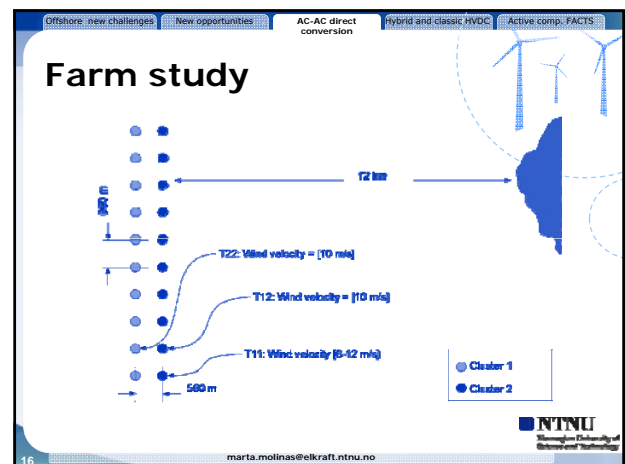
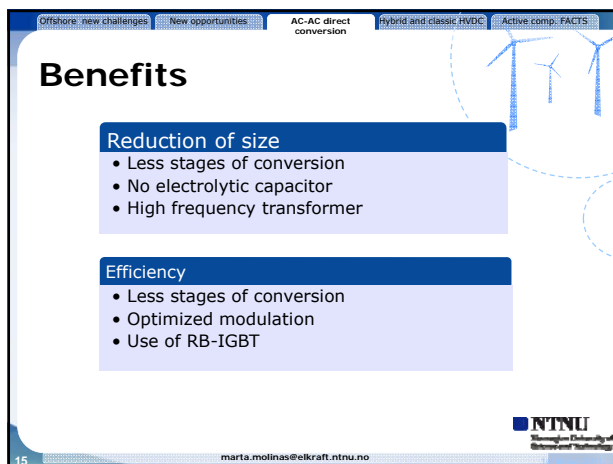
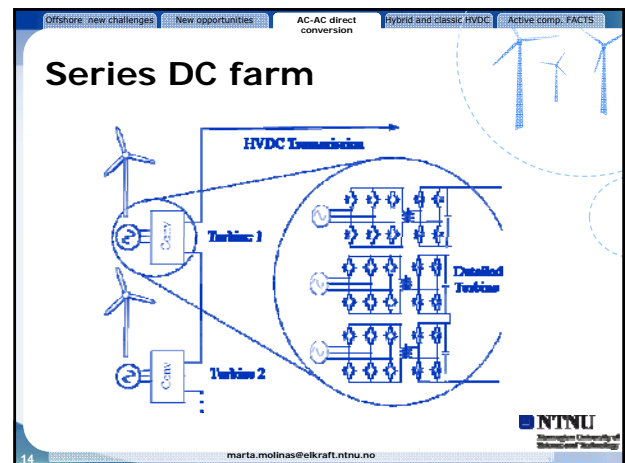
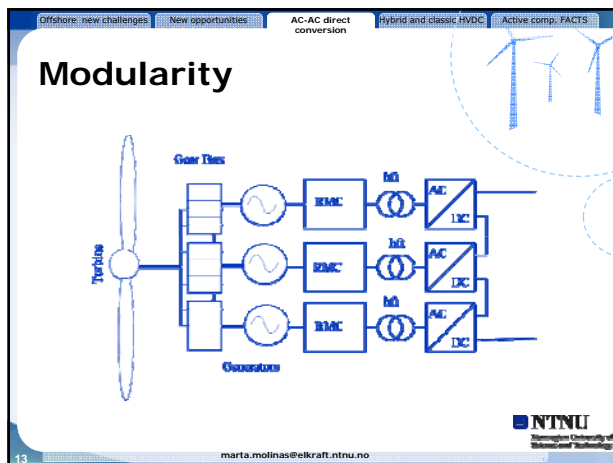
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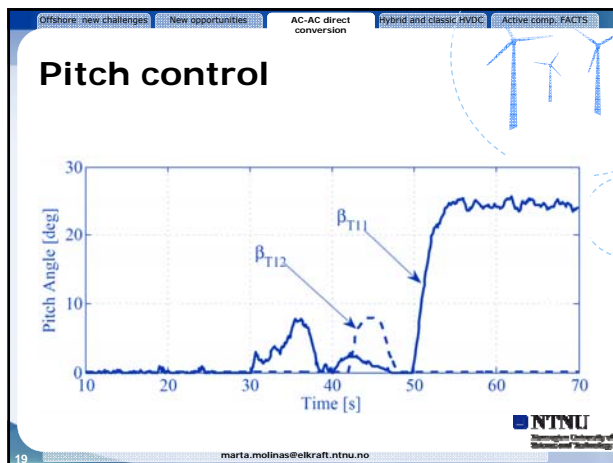










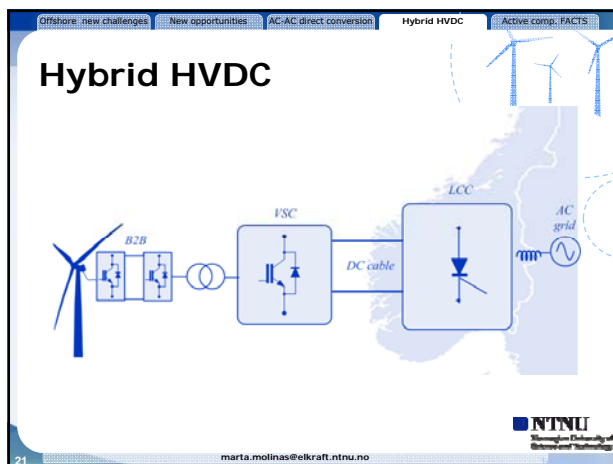


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# Hybrid HVDC

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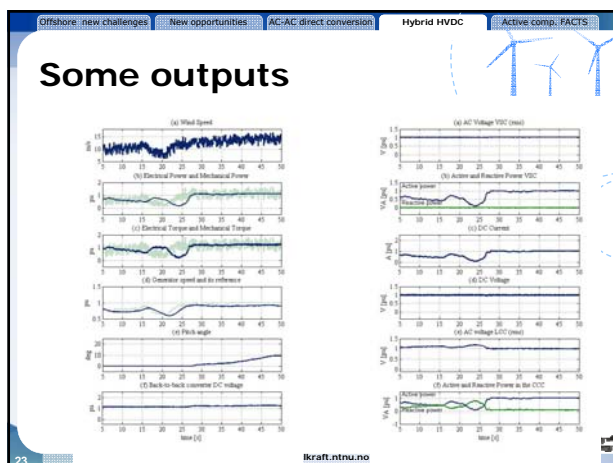
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## Hybrid HVDC

### Advantages

- LCC can handle high power levels
- VSC is very flexible (independent control of active and reactive power, mitigation of power quality disturbance, feeding islands and passive ac)
- Lower losses and less cost in Hybrid HVDC compared with VSC HVDC

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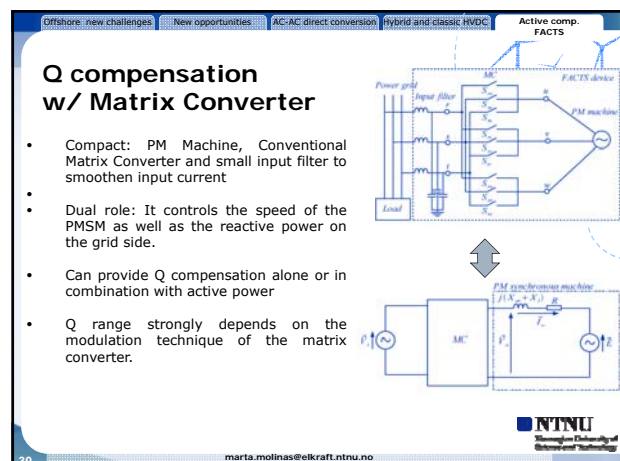
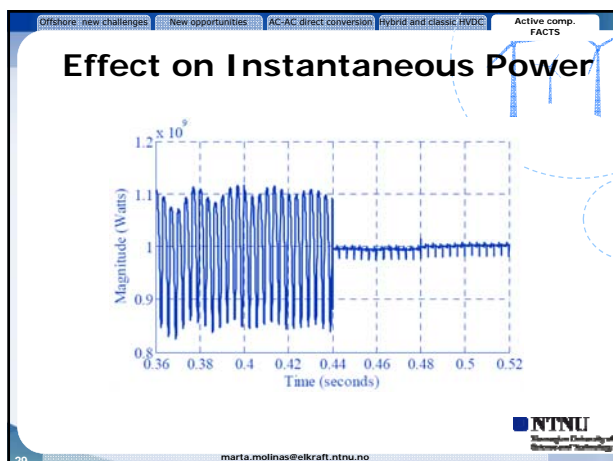
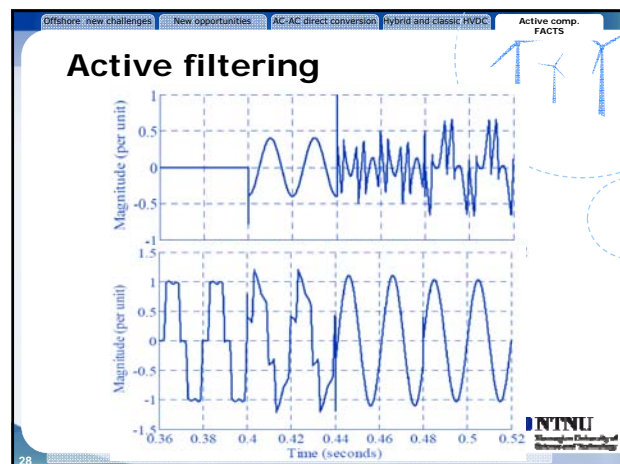
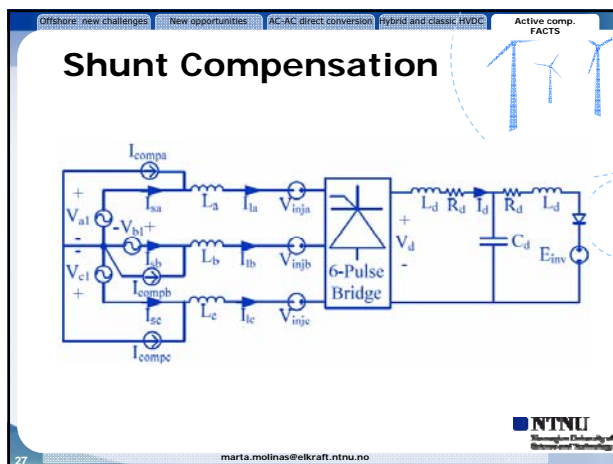
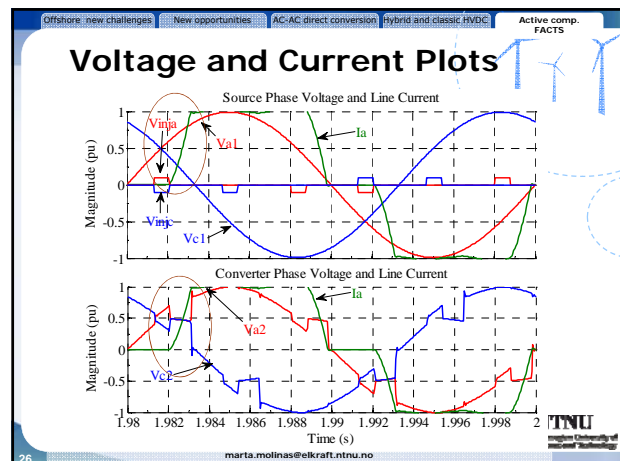
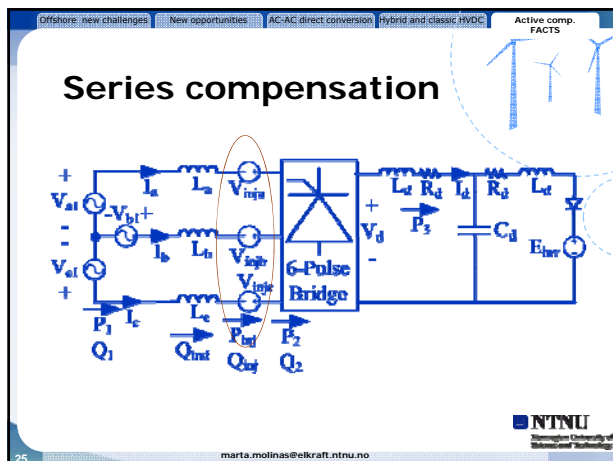
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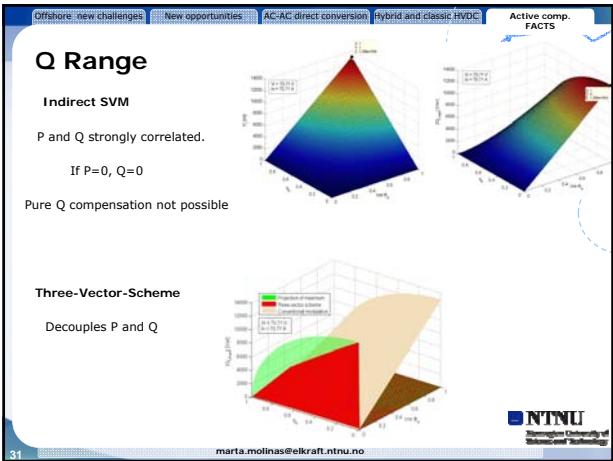
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### Research Needs

**Grid flexibility**

- Modelling and design tools for farms: integrated modelling (meta models)
- Offshore grid stability
- Storage technology

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### Parameters

**Turbine**

Parameter	Value	Unit
Nominal Power	2	MW
Rotor diameter	75	m
Nominal speed	18	rpm

**Cable**

Parameter	Value	Unit
RL	9.6	Ohm
L	0.128	H
C	34	uF

**Generator**

Parameter	Value	Unit
S(nominal)	2	MW
U(nominal)	690	V
U <sub>DC</sub> (nominal)	2	kV
Rs	0.0023805	Ω
Ld	0.6062	mH
Lq	0.3789	mH
Flux	2.8471	
Num poles	20	
Inertia	1342	N m s

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### Coordinated control

$$\max P_T = \sum_k \sum_m P_{km} - \sum_k R_k \cdot I_{k(DC)}^2 - R_L \cdot I_{(DC)}^2$$

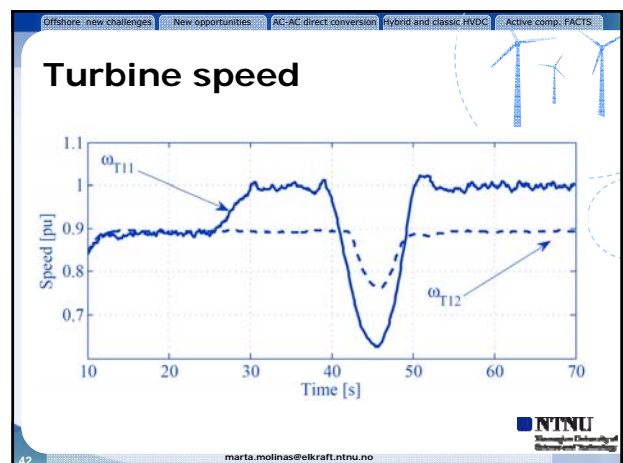
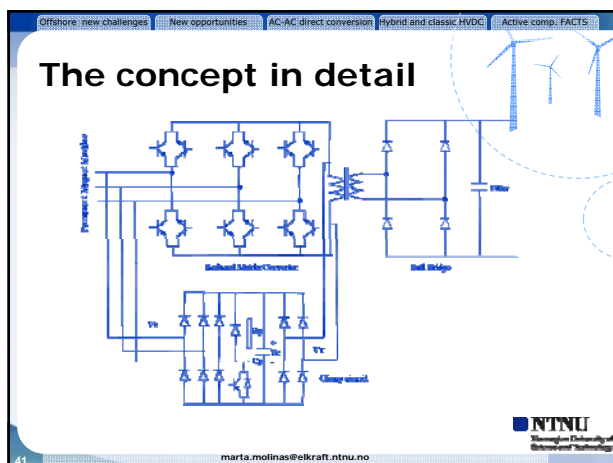
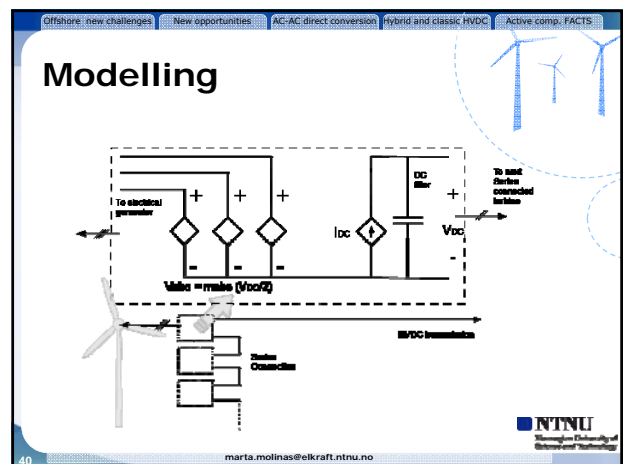
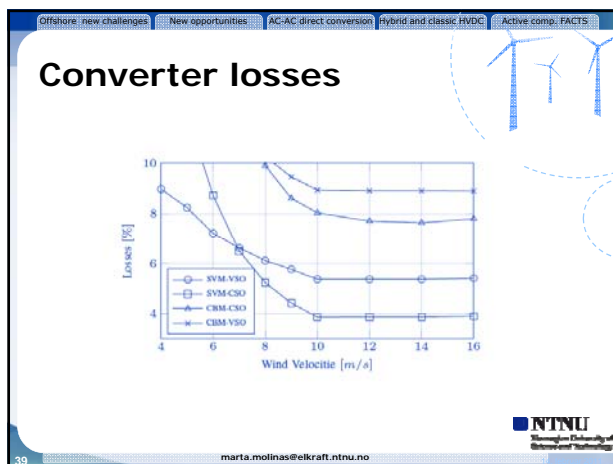
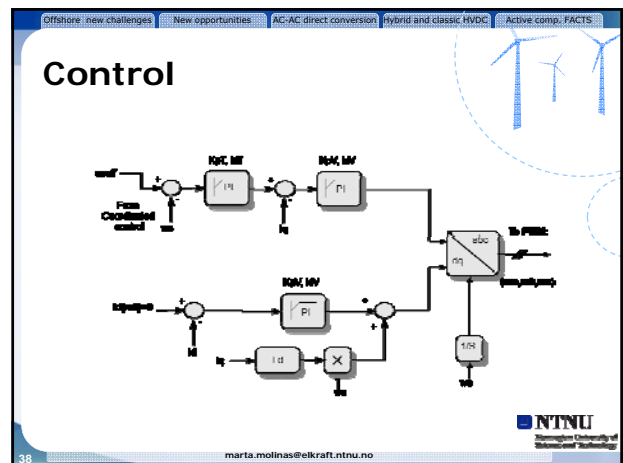
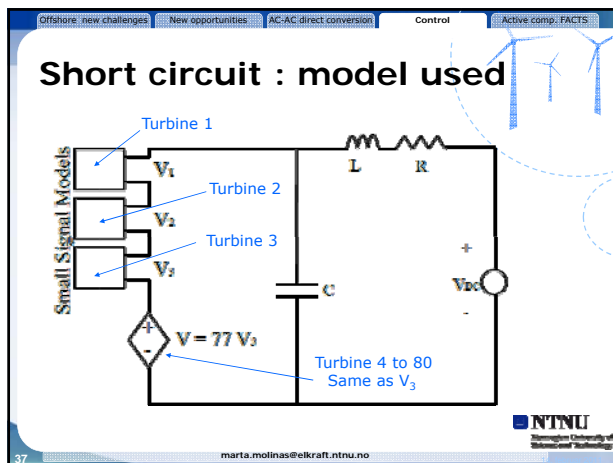
subject to

$$V_{onshore} = V_{offshore} - R_L \cdot I_{(DC)}$$
$$V_{offshore} = R_k \cdot I_{k(DC)} + \sum_m V_{km}$$
$$I_{(DC)} = \sum_k I_{k(DC)}$$
$$P_{km} = V_{km} \cdot I_{k(DC)}$$
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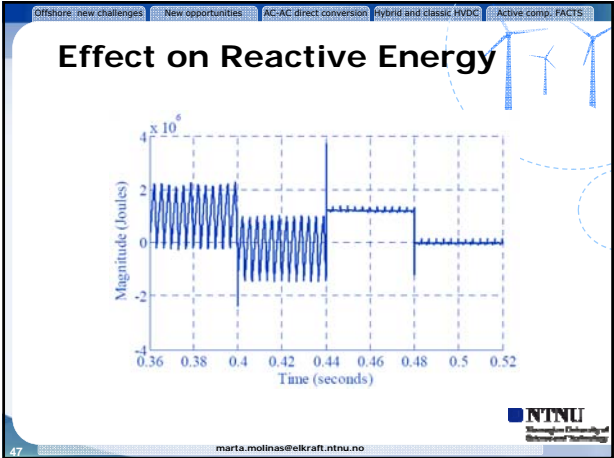
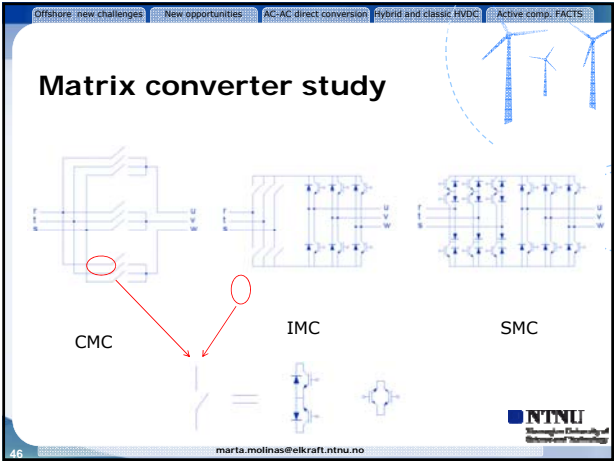
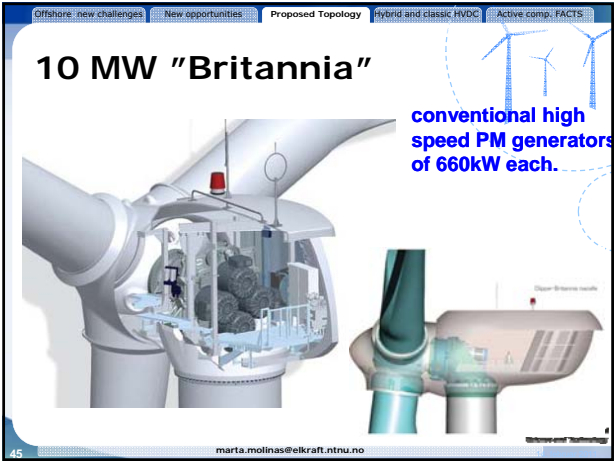
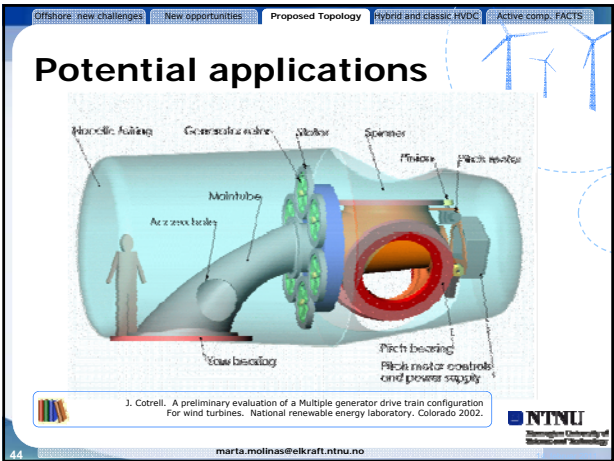
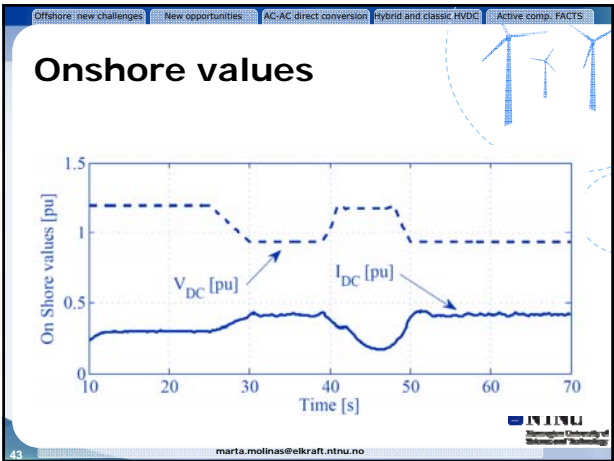
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## Standard for floating wind turbine structures

Technical Contents - Key Issues

Johan Sandberg  
20 January 2011



### Background


- Existing standards are in practice restricted to bottom-fixed structures only:
  - IEC61400-3
  - DNV-OS-J101
  - GL (IV Part 2)
- Shortcomings of existing standards exist with respect to:
  - Stability
  - Station keeping
  - Site conditions (related to LF floater motions)
  - Floater-specific structural components (tendons, mooring lines, anchors)
  - Accidental loads
  - ALS design in intact and damaged condition
  - Other: Simulation periods, higher order responses, safety level...
- DNV guideline 2009 (technical report):
  - Addresses some of the issues not dealt with in existing standards




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### Current DNV documents




OFFSHORE STANDARD  
DNV-OS-J101  
DESIGN OF OFFSHORE WIND  
TURBINE STRUCTURES  
OCTOBER 2007  
DET NORSKE VERITAS



DET NORSKE VERITAS  
Energy Report  
Guideline for offshore floating wind  
turbine structures  
Report no. DNV Reg No. 1-12004019-1  
Rev. 0, 2009-12-02

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### Technical tasks

- Safety Philosophy and Design Principles
- Site conditions, loads and response
- Materials and corrosion protection
- Structural design
- Foundation design
- Stability
- Station keeping
- Control and protection system
- Mechanical system and electrical system
- Transport and installation
- In-service inspection, maintenance and monitoring


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### Safety philosophy and design principles; safety level

- Safety philosophy as for fixed wind turbine structures in DNV-OS-J101
  - Safety class methodology; three classes are considered depending on severity of failure consequences:
    - Low
    - Normal
    - High
  - Target failure probability; is set depending on required safety class
- Design principles
  - Partial safety factor method
  - Requirements for partial safety factor; are set depending on required target failure probability
- Safety level
  - It is an important task of the project to determine/decide an adequate safety level for various structural components of floating wind turbine structures

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### Safety level

- The target safety level of the existing standards is taken as equal to the safety level for wind turbines on land as given in IEC61400-1, i.e. normal safety class
- The scope for the target safety level has been expanded several times:
  - Extrapolation from smaller turbines to larger turbines
  - Extrapolation from onshore turbines to offshore turbines
  - Extrapolation from turbine+tower to support structure
  - Extrapolation from individual structures to multiple structures in large wind farms
- Cost-benefit analyses would likely show a need to go up one safety class, from normal to high, at least for some structural components
- The DNV guideline for floating wind turbine structures recommends design of station keeping system to high safety class (with a view to consequences of failure)



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## Site conditions

Special issues to be considered relative to current requirements in existing codes:

- Adequate representation of wind in low frequency range
- Adequate representation of dynamics may require more thorough/improved representation of simultaneous wind, waves and current
- Gust events based on gust periods in excess of 12 sec must be defined; must cover expected events and reflect frequencies encountered for dynamics of floaters
- For floaters which can be excited by swell, the JONSWAP wave spectrum is insufficient and an alternative power spectral density model must be applied
- For tension leg platforms, water level and seismicity may be of significant importance



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## Loads

Special issues to be considered relative to current practice for bottom-fixed structures:

- Simulation periods to be increased from standard 10 min to 3 to 6 hrs
  - Purpose: Capture effects of nonlinearities, second-order effects, slowly varying responses
  - Challenge: Wind is not stationary over 3- to 6-hr time scales
- Load categorization to be supplemented by loads associated with station keeping system
  - Pretension of tendons (permanent load)
  - Pretension of mooring lines (permanent load)
- Ship impact loads (from maximum expected service vessel) need more thorough documentation than for bottom-fixed structures
  - Larger consequences of ship collision
  - Motion of two bodies with different motion characteristics



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## Loads – continued

- Additional load cases to be defined, accounting for
  - Changes necessitated by new/additional gust events
  - The fact that the control system is used to keep turbine in place by compensating for motions
- Accidental loads to be considered; examples:
  - Dropped objects
  - Change of intended pressure difference
  - Unintended change in ballast distribution
  - Trawling
  - Collision impact from unintended ship collisions
  - Explosions and fire



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## Structural design

- Calibration of partial safety factor requirements for design of structural components not covered by DNV-OS-J101
  - Examples: tendons, mooring lines
- Existing design standards may be capitalized on to some extent:
  - DNV-OS-C101 for tendons
  - DNV-OS-E301 for mooring lines
  - Difficulties because of different definition of characteristic loads
  - Shortcomings because of rotor-filtrated wind loads are not covered by existing standards
- Need for data to define a representative set of design situations for safety factor calibrations
  - Load and response data for various structural components, which can be made available to the project
    - Full scale data (example Hywind)
    - Model scale data
    - Data from analytical models

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## Stability

- Sufficient floating stability is an absolute requirement
  - In operation phase and in temporary phases
  - In intact as well as in damaged condition
- Additional compartmentalization is usually not required for unmanned structures
- The need for a collision ring in the splash zone depends on
  - Manned/unmanned
  - Substructure material (concrete/steel/composites)
  - Size of service vessel and resistance against ship impacts
- Location and design of manholes and hatches to be carried out with a view to avoid water ingress
- For some concepts, dropped objects may pose a threat in case of repairs and lifting operations



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## Station keeping

- Three types are foreseen:
  - Catenary or taut systems of chain, wire or fibre ropes
  - Tendon systems of metal or composites for restrained systems such as TLPs
  - Dynamic positioning
- Various issues for catenary and taut moorings:
  - Mooring system is vital for keeping wind turbine in position such that it can produce electricity and maintain transfer of electricity to receiver
  - Optimization of mooring systems may lead to non-redundant systems where a mooring failure may lead to loss of position and conflict with adjacent wind turbines
  - Sufficient yaw stiffness of the floater must be ensured
- Various issues for tendon systems:
  - Systems with only one tendon will be compliant in roll and pitch
  - Floaters with restrained modes will typically experience responses in three ranges of frequencies
    - High frequency, wave frequency, low frequency
    - More complex to analyse than other structures
  - Terminations are critical components, regardless of whether tendon is metallic or composite

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### Needs for information

- Load/response data for various structural components
  - Tendons
  - Mooring lines
  - Structural components in floater
 from analysis models and/or full scale measurements
- Wind data for definition of new gust events
- Wind data in low frequency range (?)
- Ship impact load data
- Data for accidental loads and frequencies of accidental events causing damage of wind turbine structure
- List to be expanded...



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### Key floater issues

In design:

- Mathieu Instability and Vortex Induced Motions must be avoided or be controllable
  - Cautious selection of eigenperiods in heave, pitch and roll
  - State-of-the-art offshore design practice provides guidance
- In particular for compliant floaters:
- Location of fairleads
  - Use of "crowfoots" to ensure sufficient restoring stiffness in yaw
- In particular for restrained floaters:
- Terminations are usually critical
  - Caution to be exercised with respect to risk of higher order responses (ringing, springing); springing is very dependent on damping
  - Eigenperiods to be above the fundamental wave periods to avoid resonance



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### Key floater issues – continued

In operational mode:

- Effects of rotating turbine on global motions must be accounted for
- Control software and algorithms to be used to
  - limit inclinations and thereby limit motions, accelerations, bending moments (roll and pitch wind damping effects may be vital)
  - positively influence mooring and cable hang-off motions with respect to fatigue
  - positively influence stability of floater



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### Safeguarding life, property and the environment

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## **B1) Power system integration**

Offshore Wind farm Grid Integration challenges, Sharifabadi Kamran, Statkraft

Offshore grid developments, Kjartan Hauglum, Statnett

Characterization and modelling of the power output variability of wind farms clusters, Prof Hans Georg Beyer, Uni of Agder


Supply of offshore wind energy to oil and gas installations,  
Harald Svendsen, SINTEF Energi AS

Balance management with large scale offshore wind Integration,  
Post Doc Steve Völler, NTNU



# OFFSHORE WIND FARM GRID INTEGRATION CHALLENGES

Wind Power R&D seminar - Deep sea offshore wind power, 20-21 January 2011, Royal Garden, Trondheim  
Kamran Sharifabadi, Statkraft Energy AS






# FOREWIND OFFSHORE WIND PROJECTS

## Round 3




# THE DOGGERBANK ZONE



**Dogger Bank Zone**

- 135-300 kilometres east of the Yorkshire coast
- Zone: 8660 km<sup>2</sup>
- Ocean depth: 18-63 meter
- Potential of installed capacity: 9-13 GW



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# ONE ZONE – SEVERAL PROJECTS

**Tranche A**

- Identified by July 2010
- 2 years of comprehensive stakeholder engagement, surveys and studies in progress
- Apply for consent end of 2012
- Consent decision end of 2013
- Commence pre construction work thereafter

**Tranche B**


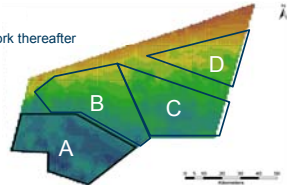
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**Tranche C**

- Identified by July 2012

**Tranche D**


- Identified by July 2013




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# GENERAL CHALLENGES

- Accurate modelling of energy capture for large arrays and multiple arrays
- Increased reliability for turbines to reduce access requirements in more challenging locations
- Collector grid, offshore & onshore grid,
- Offshore installation technologies
- Costs of technology development




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# CHALLENGES WITH OFFSHORE GRID

- AC or DC transmission lines and grid
- Grid development & interface on shore
- Off shore installations, platforms
- Operation & Maintenance, Marine operations
- Infeed loss risk due to DC link failure,
- Real time balancing, need for rotating reserves



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ELECTRICAL SYSTEM DESIGN

- Design & Technical considerations
- Functionality and reliability
  - How many turbines per string?
  - Distance between turbines?
    - Wake effects vs. available area, CAPEX (cables) and OPEX (O&M, reliability)
  - Voltage level, DC or AC
  - Optimising the cable system (cross-section against losses)
  - Proof of concept



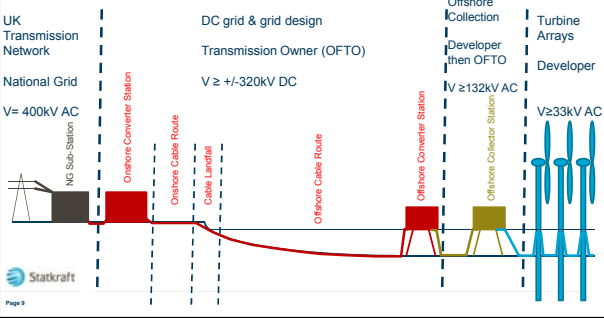
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OPTIMISING THE INTER-ARRAY LAYOUT

- Alternative configurations and technologies
- Meshed or radial network?
  - How many substations? Subsea reactive compensations?
  - How many collector platforms?
  - Distance between turbines?
    - Wake effects vs. available area, CAPEX (cables) and OPEX (O&M, reliability)
  - Wind farm grid voltage?
  - AC or DC collector grid? Advances in converter technology to higher voltages opens more options

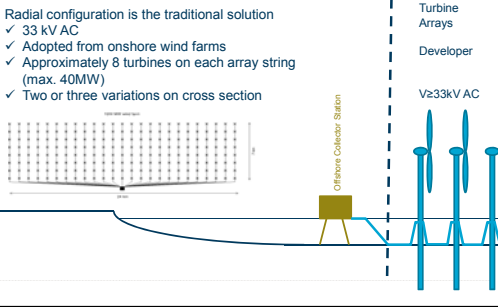


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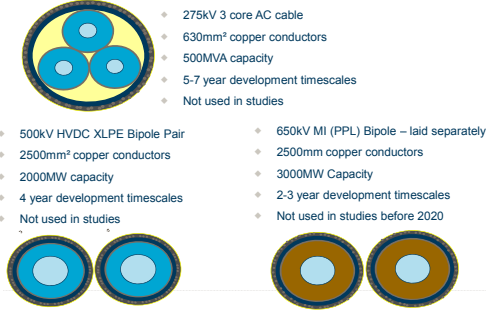
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COLLECTING THE POWER



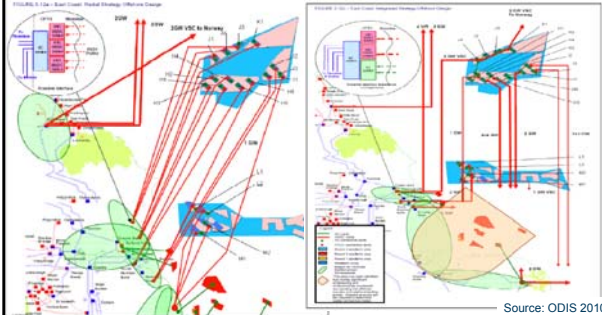
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OFFSHORE CABLE TECHNOLOGY

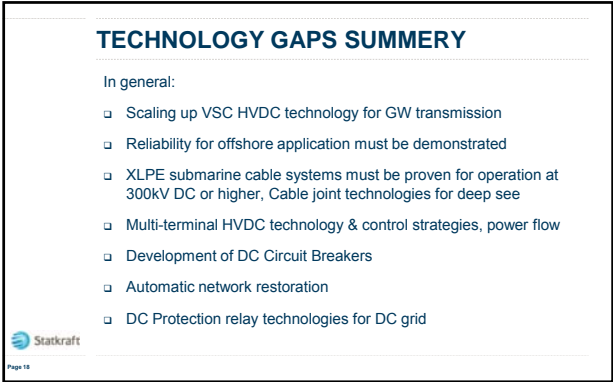
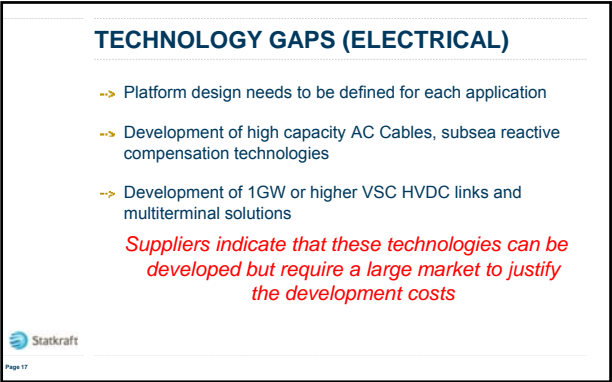
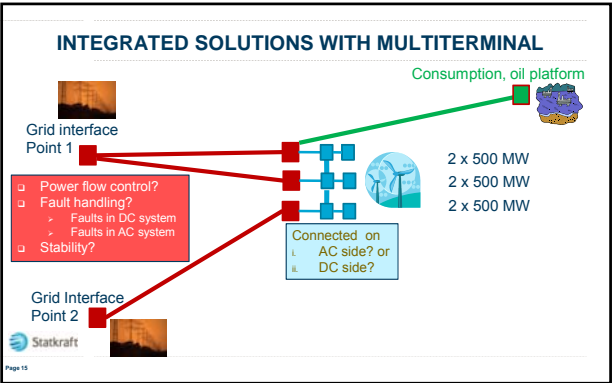
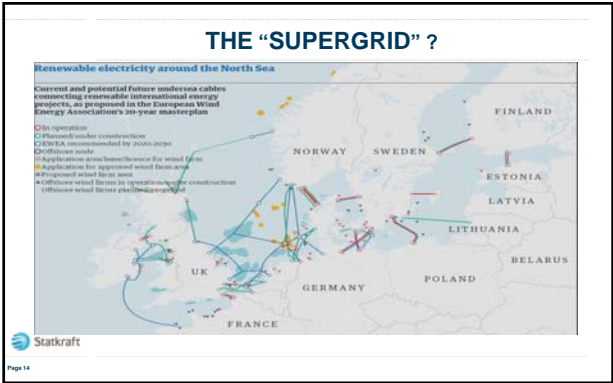
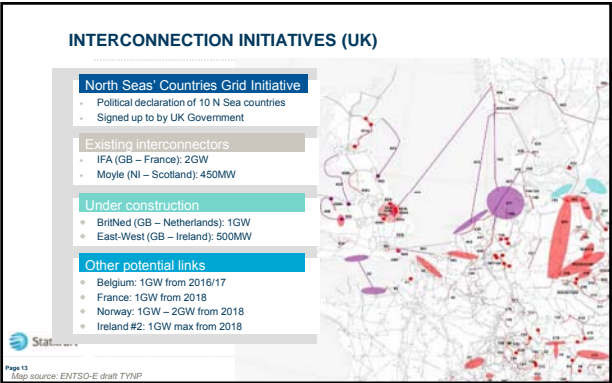


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GRID INTERFACE CHALLENGE










### OFFSHORE SUBSTATIONS


R1 – "Onshore" design



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R2 - Integrated designs



Sheringham Shoal  
(Areva + Wood Group Engineering)

R3 – Standardisation?



Global Tech 1 (400MW)


### WAY FORWARD AND SUMMARY

→ How can we future proof the new technologies & solutions with focus on costs?

→ How can we assure and identify the show stoppers?

→ Technology development with vendors R&D programs, national and EU R&D programs.

**It is required to develop new technologies and approaches, with focus on reliability, flexibility and lower costs**



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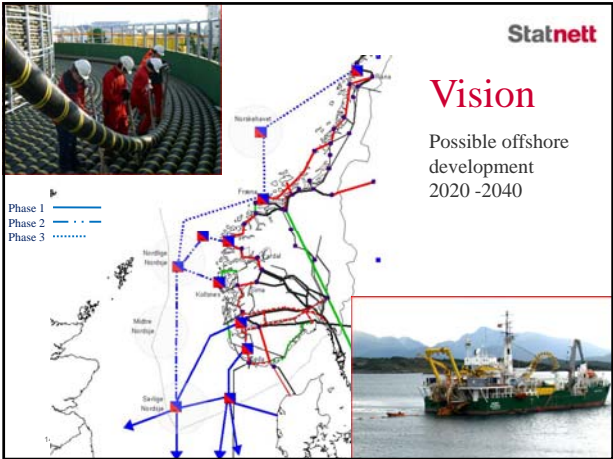
Offshore grid developments

20 jan. 2011 Kjartan Hauglum, Statnett

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Possible offshore development 2020 -2040



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Statnetts mission towards 2030

-To build the next generation high voltage power grid

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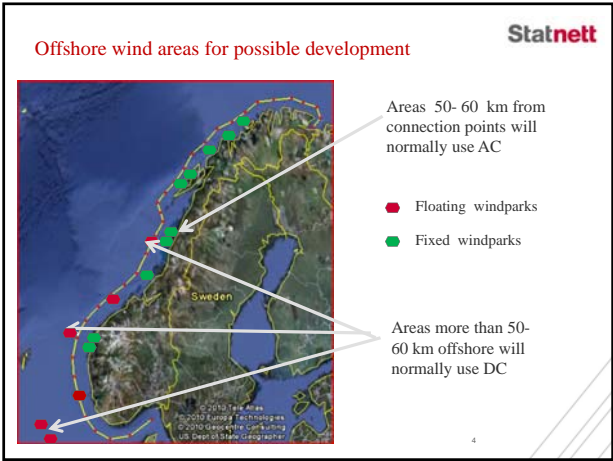
- Today's grid with regional challenges
- Grid development to improve security of supply and utilization of national resources

- Our strategic actions and investments on short term
- Security of supply, new renewables and increased exchange with our neighbors

- An integrated Norwegian 420kV power grid
- Increased renewable production
- Increased interconnector capacity and a more integrated power market

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Offshore wind areas for possible development



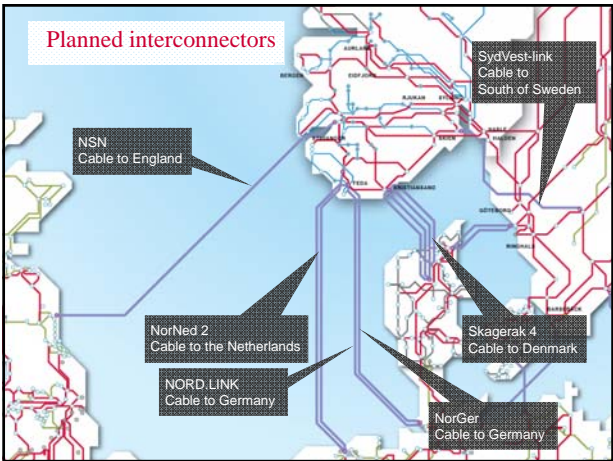
Areas 50- 60 km from connection points will normally use AC

• Floating windparks

• Fixed windparks

Areas more than 50- 60 km offshore will normally use DC

Planned interconnectors

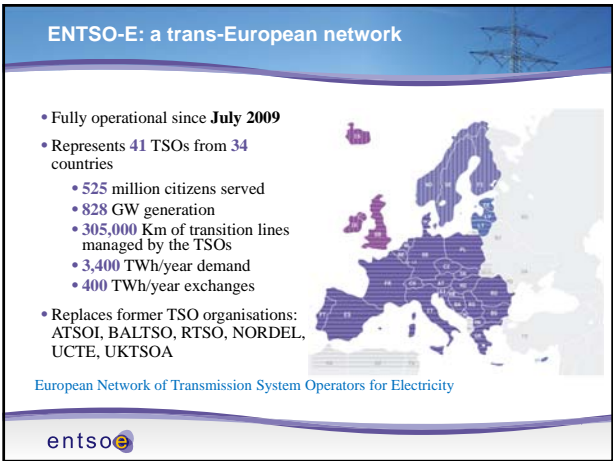


ENTSO-E: a trans-European network

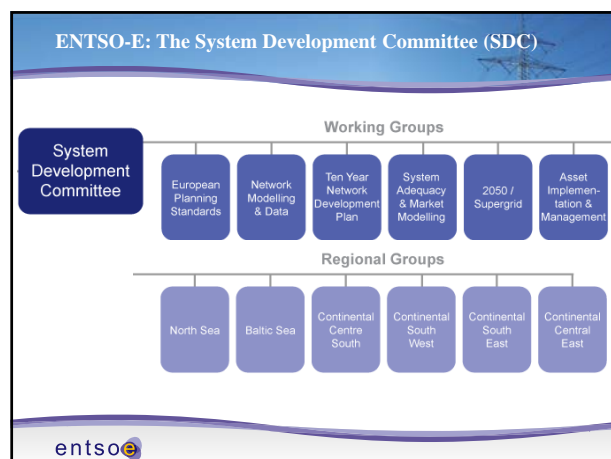
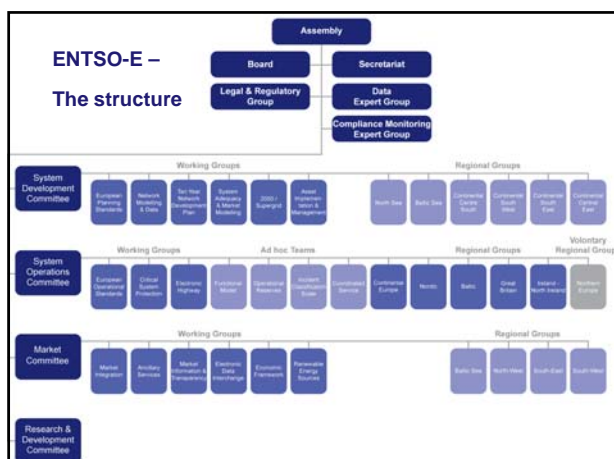
- Fully operational since **July 2009**
- Represents **41 TSOs** from **34 countries**
  - **525 million** citizens served
  - **828 GW** generation
  - **305,000 Km** of transition lines managed by the TSOs
  - **3,400 TWh/year** demand
  - **400 TWh/year** exchanges
- Replaces former TSO organisations: ATSOI, BALTSO, RTSO, NORDEL, UCTE, UKTSOA

European Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity

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## Upcoming ENTSO-E Conference

- “Towards electricity infrastructure for a carbon neutral Europe”
- **Brussels, 10-11 February 2011**
- **More information and registration at:**
- [www.entsoe-event.eu](http://www.entsoe-event.eu)



Confirmed speakers include:

Tamas FELLEGI, Minister for Energy, Hungarian Presidency  
 Günther OETTINGER, EU Energy Commissioner  
 Connie HEDEGAARD, EU Climate Action Commissioner  
 Claude TURMES MEP, MEP, ITRE Member  
 Athanasios ZERVOS, President, EWEA, EREC and CEO, Public Power Corp  
 Alberto POTOTSCHNIG, Director, ACER  
 Heinz HILBRECHT, Director, Security of Supply, Energy Markets & Networks, EC  
 Daniel DOBENI, ENTSO-E President and CEO, ELIA



## EU - Energy Infrastructure Package

- **In the electricity sector four EU priority corridors are identified:**
- An offshore grid in the Northern Seas and connection to Northern and Central Europe to transport power produced by offshore wind parks to consumers in big cities and to store power in the hydro electric power plants in the Alps and the Nordic countries.
- Interconnections in South Western Europe to transport power generated from wind, solar, hydro to the rest of the continent.
- Connections in Central Eastern and South Eastern Europe, strengthening the regional network.
- **Integration of the Baltic Energy Market into the European market.**



## North Seas Countries Offshore Grid Initiative



Olje- og energiminister Terje Riis-Johansen og EU-kommissionens energikommisær Günther Oettinger.

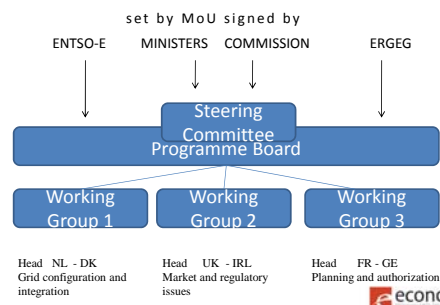
The North Seas Countries' Offshore Grid Initiative er et ti-lands samarbeid hvor Norge deltar sammen med Belgia, Danmark, Frankrike, Irland, Luxembourg, Nederland, Storbritannia, Sverige og Tyskland. Initiativet er et rammeverk for regional samarbeid for å finne felles løsninger for et overføringsnett til havs, i forbindelse med en fremtidig utbygging av havvind i Nordseien og andre havområder i Nord-Europa.

- Selv om et fullt integrert kraftoverføringsnett til havs ligger langt frem i tid er det viktig at de ulike landenes myndigheter, regulatorer og systemoperatører har et godt samarbeid, slik at vi får en koordinert og effektiv utvikling av et nett til havs, sier Olje- og energiminister Terje Riis-Johansen.

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## North Sea Countries Offshore Grid Initiative




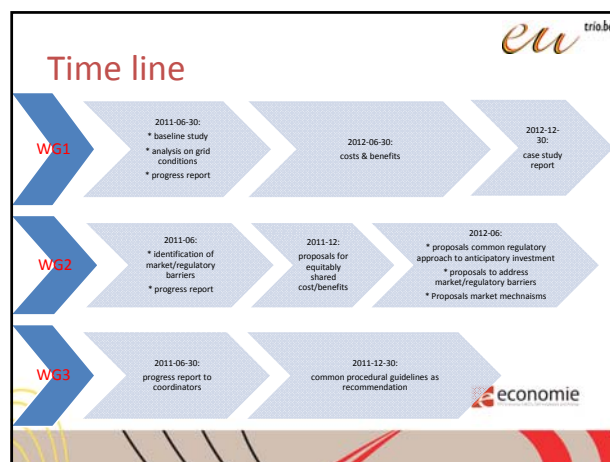


## NSCOGI support


**European Commissioner for Energy Günther Oettinger** welcomed the agreement. "The offshore grid in the North Sea and its connection to northern and central Europe has been identified as one of the priorities in matters of electricity," he said in a statement. "It is very encouraging to observe that today EU member states and Norway are taking this significant step ahead by signing the Memorandum of Understanding," he added.

**Daniel Dobbeni**, president of the **Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity (ENTSO-E)**, described the initiative as "a significant step in the direction of regional cooperation with a shared vision, concrete objectives and an ambitious, but also pragmatic action plan". "It is based on a common understanding on the potential of the renewable energy sources of the North Seas in contributing to the EU Energy Policy goals," he stated, adding that ENTSO-E would be signing a letter of intent to collaborate on the project.






## Offshore grid is technically feasible, but...



- Multi terminal VSC HVDC has not yet been delivered
- Only one contractor with a fixed (jacket) offshore project in operation
- DC breakers need development
- High losses in VSC – AC/DC converters
- Deliveries from different suppliers have to interact in the same grid
- Technical operation of onshore grid very demanding with more interconnectors

## Offshore grid – regulatory challenges



- Different framework in different countries
- Developer prioritize areas with the most profitable solutions
- Some regulators do not allow direct energy flow from national renewable power plants directly to another nation
- Protectionist development – every nation and supplier eager for own industry development
- Different set of rules for grid connection
- Grid development onshore caused by offshore wind – who pays?


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## Norway has.....



- ...large amount of resources from renewable energy...
- ...and a flexible hydro power system well suited for supply balancing services to Europe and hereby reduce the CO<sub>2</sub> emission
- ...competence on subsea cables and are willing to build

## Offshore power grid - some reflections



- Focus for the time being is national targets
- Modular development from national development in the southern part of the North Sea
- Different technical standards and markets at both ends of the interconnectors
- Electrification of oil and gas installations may contribute to development of an offshore power grid on Norwegian shelf
- Offshore wind may be a driver if the society is willing to pay the price, subsidies included


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EUROPEAN ENERGY REVIEW



The sun goes down for Dutch green subsidies

- **The Dutch lose faith in windmills**
  - Karel Beckman and Alexander Haje
- The new Dutch right-wing government has announced a radical overhaul of Dutch energy policy. **It is cutting subsidies for most forms of renewable energy drastically, and is even putting an end to all subsidies for offshore wind, solar power and largescale biomass. It has also announced a warm welcome for new nuclear power stations** – the first time a Dutch government has done so since the Chernobyl-disaster in 1986. However, not all is lost for the renewable energy sector: the cabinet is still brooding on a long-term strategy and a “Green Deal” that might yet put the Netherlands back on a “greener” course.

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Main message

- Not very likely that we will have an international offshore grid before 2020
  - Will slowly emerge from national development
- Offshore grid are technically feasible but very demanding
  - Complicated structures with many countries involved – standardization and harmonization is needed
- Offshore TSOs not nominated in several countries
- The value of flexible Norwegian hydropower for balancing and storage will increase with more interconnectors
- Statnett works actively through ENTSO-E related to interconnectors, a possible future offshore grid and European market development
- **Offshore grid will become a reality when the drivers are strong enough**


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Thanks for listening



### Characterization and modelling of the power output variability of wind farms clusters

Hans Georg Beyer  
Department of Engineering  
University of Agder, Grimstad

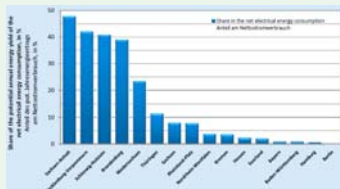
### Characterization and modelling of the power output variability of wind farms clusters

- increasing contribution of non-dispatchable (renewable) power calls for new strategies of system operation, unit dispatch and storage management
- for the design of the new strategies, detailed knowledge on the characteristics of the renewable power flows is necessary

### Characterization and modelling of the power output variability of wind farms clusters

- detailed knowledge on the characteristics of the renewable power flows is necessary

examples are e.g. developed in Germany where regional shares of wind energy may amount up to ~50%



Source: DEWI 2010

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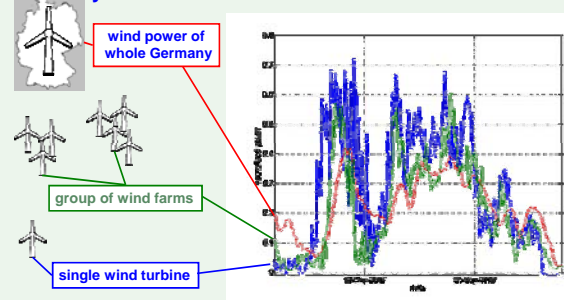
examples are e.g. developed in Germany

- for day-to day operation: schemes for wind power forecasting are in operational use
- for planning of capacity extension and grid reinforcement: tools for the characterization of the power output variability had been set up

### Characterization and modelling of the power output variability of wind farms clusters

- examples are e.g. developed in Germany
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- e.g. Quintero et al. DEWEK 2008  
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coop. with Fraunhofer IWES, Kassel, Germany
- following:
  - approaches used
  - outlook: how to extend to the Norwegian offshore environment

### Characterisation output variability / example Germany



Smoothing effect: Increasing size of aggregation  $\Rightarrow$  lower variability



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### approaches for characterisation

**Aim:** Quantification of smoothing effect

**Statistical Approach**

- Aggregation of Power Output
- Probability Density Function
- Modeling

**Spectral Approach**

- Power Spectral Density
  - Low Frequency Range
  - High Frequency Range
- Coherence Function
- Total Spectrum

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### aggregation of power output / example

60 wind farms:

- distributed over whole Germany
- 1 hour mean values of wind power & prediction recorded in 2005

Aggregation 1 = Wind farm 1  $\Rightarrow$  34 MW

Aggregation 2 = Wind farm 1 + Wind farm 2  $\Rightarrow$  126 MW

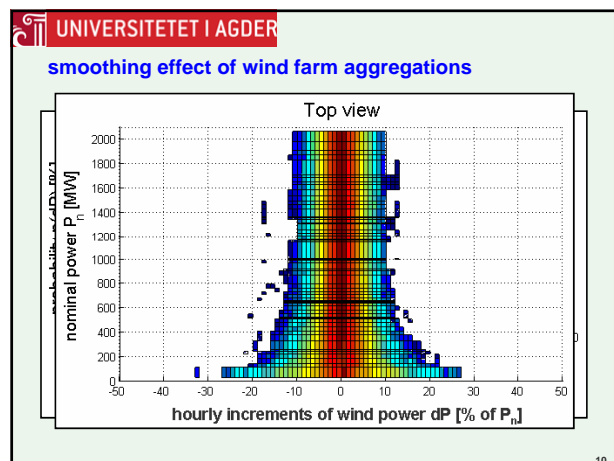
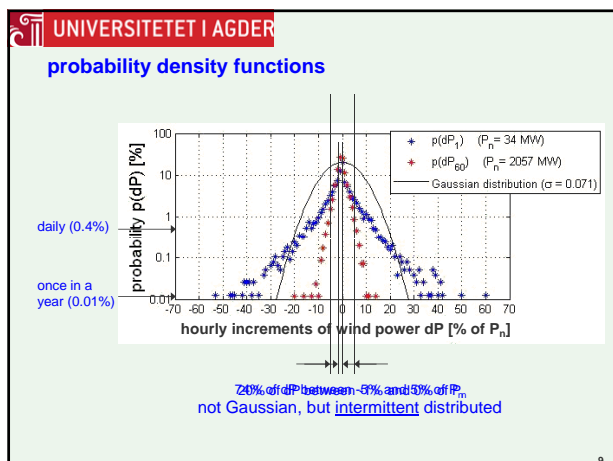
Aggregation 60 = Wind farm 1 + ... + Wind farm 60  $\Rightarrow$  2057 MW

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- wind power increments  $dP$

randomly chosen

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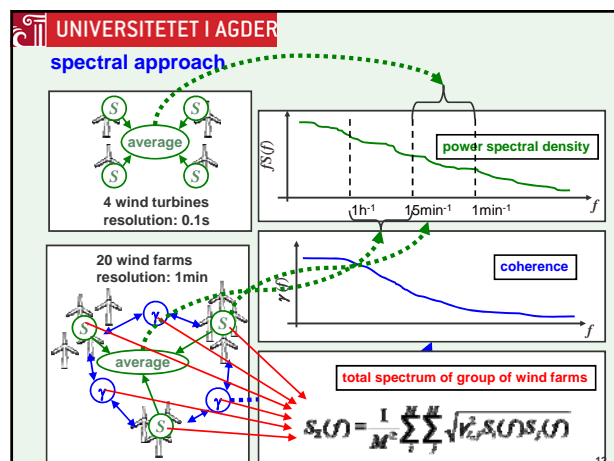
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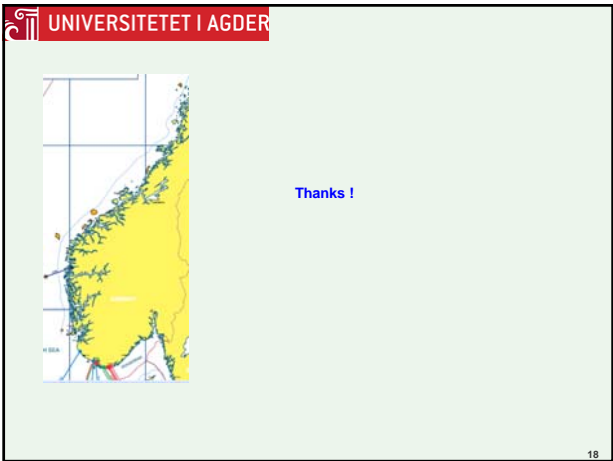
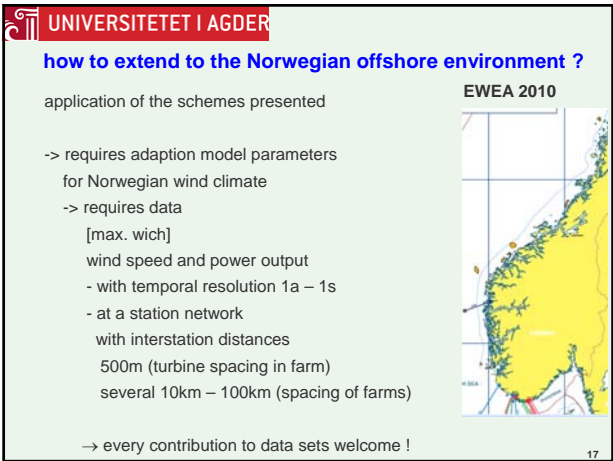
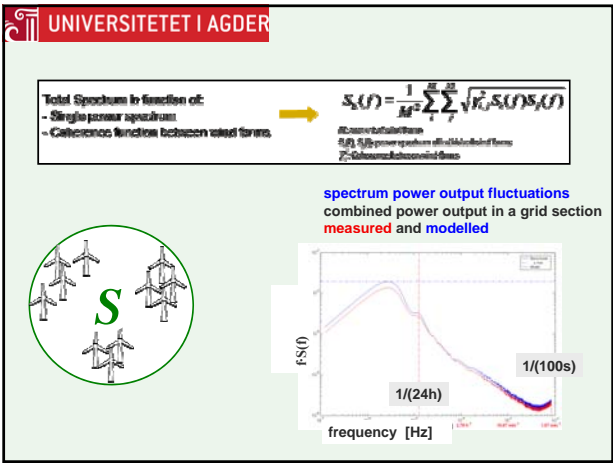
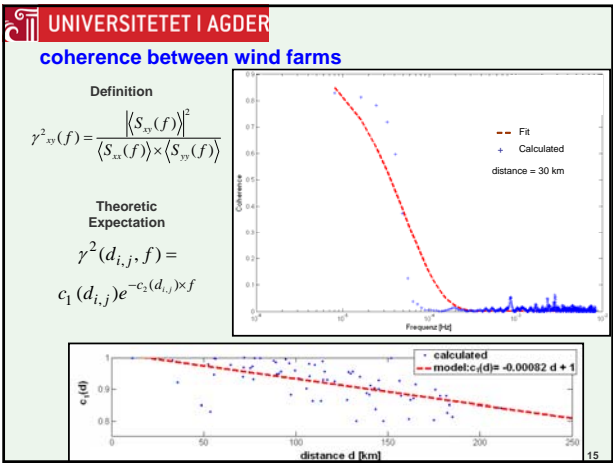
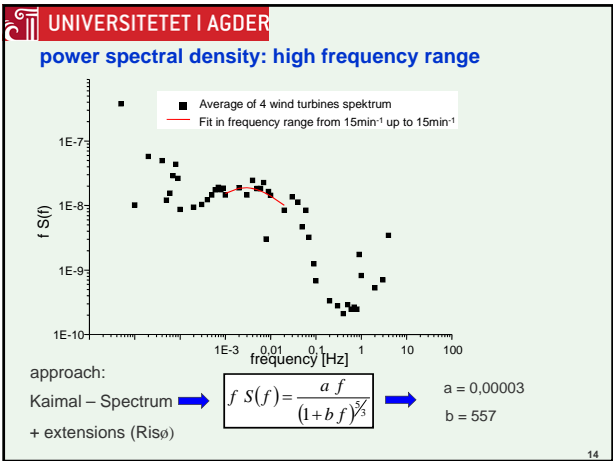
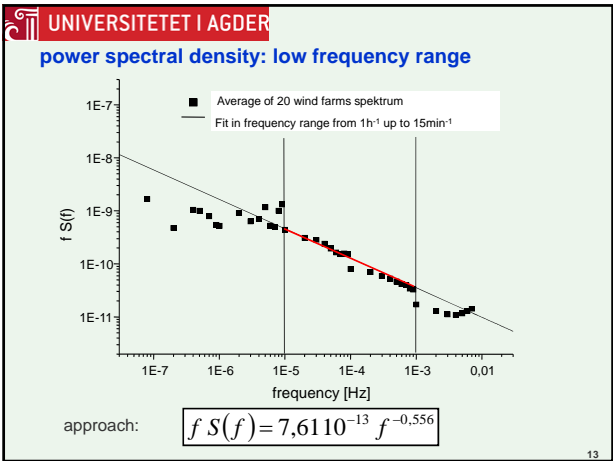
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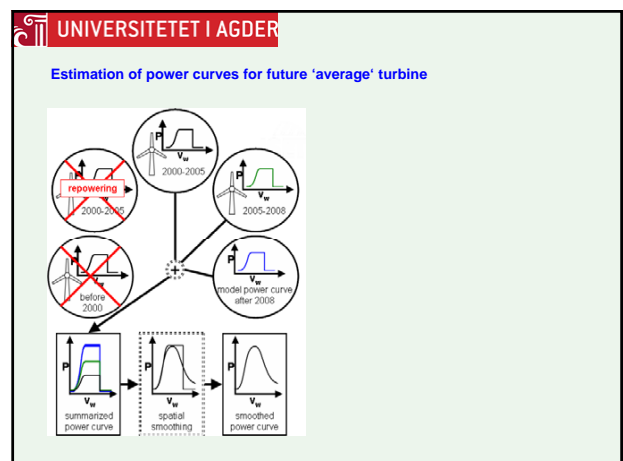
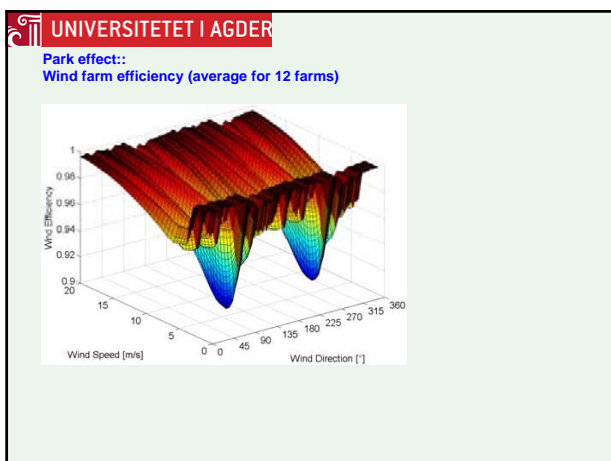
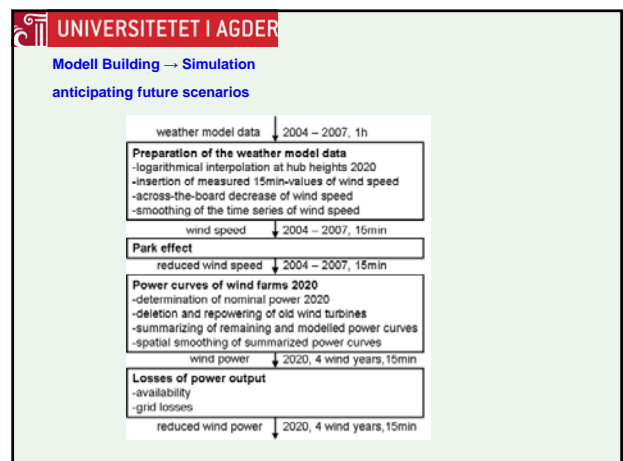
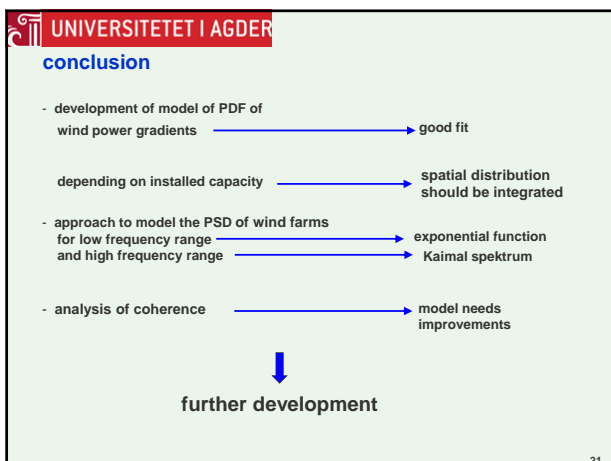
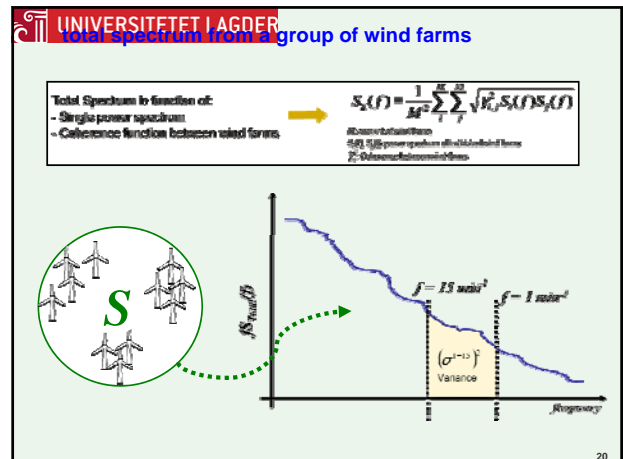
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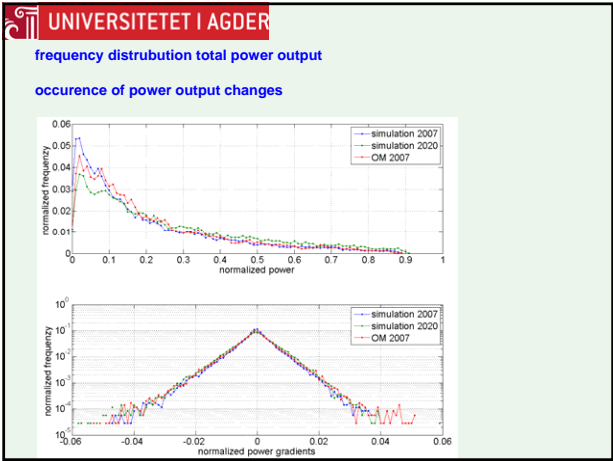
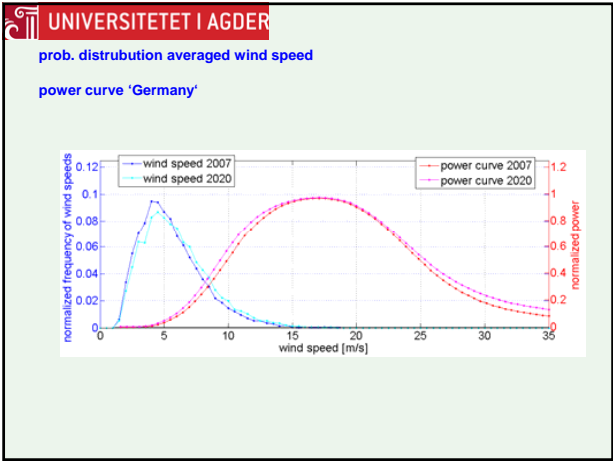
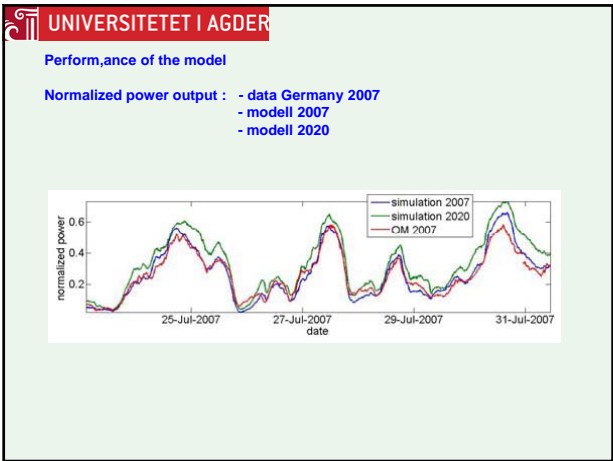
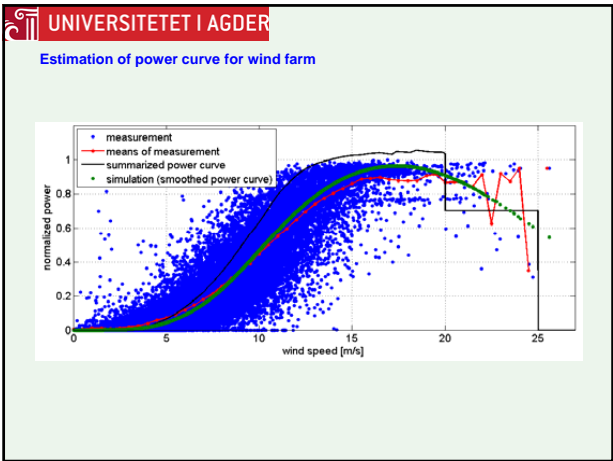












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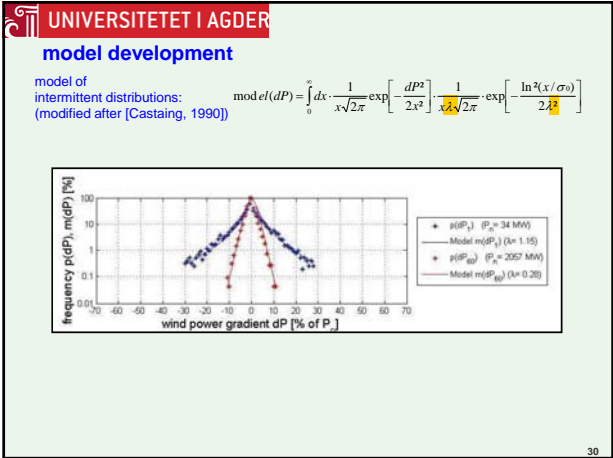
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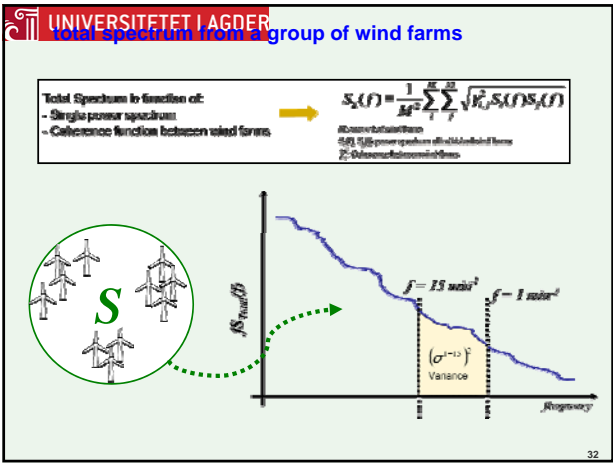
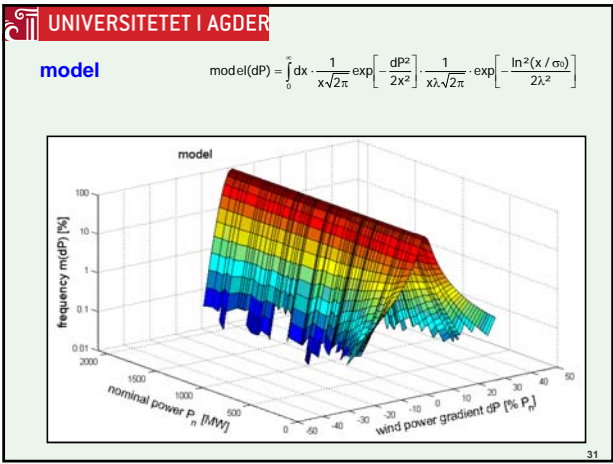
Simulation and Analysis of Future Wind  
Power Scenarios

EWEK 2009

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## Supply of offshore wind energy to oil and gas installations

Harald G Svendsen<sup>1</sup>, Maheshkumar Hadiya<sup>2</sup>,  
Eirik V Øyslebø<sup>1</sup>, Kjetil Uhlen<sup>1,2</sup>

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## Outline

- ▶ Background
- ▶ Simulation model
- ▶ Interesting observations / preliminary results
- ▶ Outlook

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## Background

- ▶ CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
- ▶ Electrification of offshore petroleum installations
  - cables from onshore grid?
  - net CO<sub>2</sub> gain only if new renewable generators are introduced
- ▶ Offshore wind energy
- ▶ Combine them!
  - Electrify offshore platforms with offshore wind
  - How?

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## Objectives

- ▶ Power system point of view
- ▶ Voltage level / power losses
- ▶ Voltage and frequency stability
- ▶ Control strategies
- ▶ Grid topology

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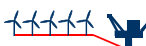
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## Previous Statoil study

- ▶ 20 MW wind farm / single platform
- ▶ Operational benefits
  - fuel saving
  - emission reduction
- ▶ Power stability
  - Max transient voltage deviation:  $\Delta V = 18\%$  (motor start-up)
  - Max transient frequency deviation:  $\Delta f = 7.3\%$  (loss of all wind)
  - Wind fluctuations:  $\Delta f = \pm 1\%$ ,  $\Delta V = \pm 0.05\%$



W. He et al., *The Potential of Integrating Wind Power with Offshore Oil and Gas Platforms*, Wind Engineering 34 (2010) 2, pp 125-137.

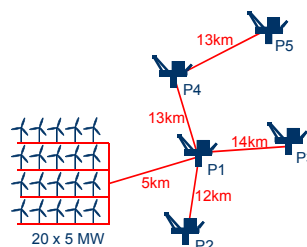
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## Case study model



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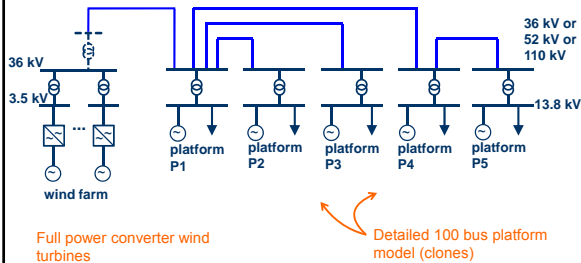
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Simulation model



Simulation model II

- SIMPOW (steady-state and dynamic)
- Load
  - pumps – induction motors
  - Total demand  $\approx 5 \times 20 \text{ MW} = 100 \text{ MW}$
- Generation
  - Wind turbines (capacity  $20 \times 5 \text{ MW}$ )
  - Gas turbines (rating 28 MVA each)
- Voltage & frequency regulation
  - gas turbine governors

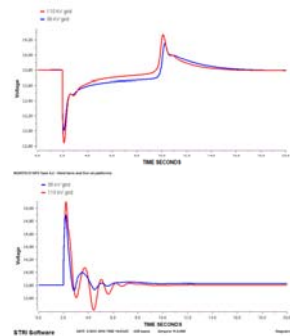
Results: Voltage level and losses

Case	36 kV grid	110 kV grid
No wind	0.04 MW	0.04 MW
100 MW wind	7.62 MW	1.36 MW

- High voltage level
  - reduces transmission losses
- But
  - exaggerates voltage and frequency deviations during loss of production (as well as costs)
  - requires more reactive compensation
- 52 kV level seems a good compromise

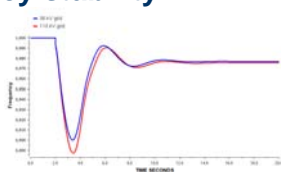
Results: voltage stability

- Start-up of large induction motor (50MW wind)
  - 36kV grid: -6%
  - 110kV grid: -7%
- Loss of 100 MW wind power
  - 36kV grid: +7.9%
  - 110kV grid: +9.4%



Results: frequency stability

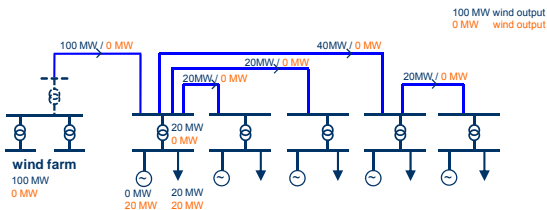
- Loss of 100 MW wind power
  - 36kV grid: -10.0%
  - 110kV grid: -11.3%



NORSOK:  $\pm 5\%$  ( $\pm 10\%$  in IEC 61892-1 Ed. 2.0, Aug 2010)

Transformer tap positions

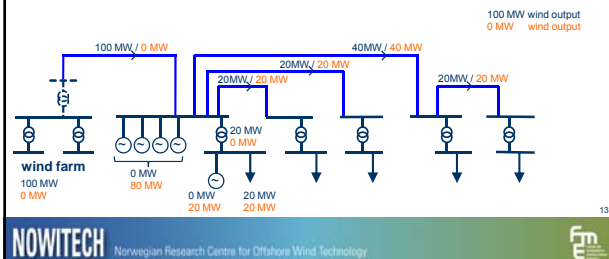
- Optimal transformer tap settings varies with power flow (i.e. wind penetration)
- Used fixed settings based on 50% wind output





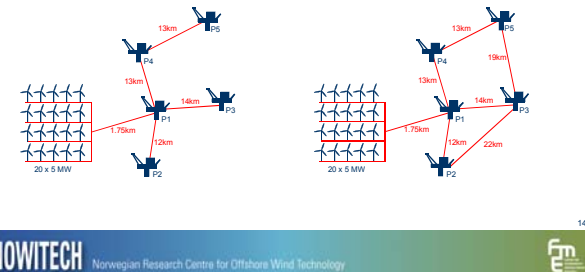
## Placement of gas turbines

- Place gas turbines to minimise difference between high wind and low wind situations



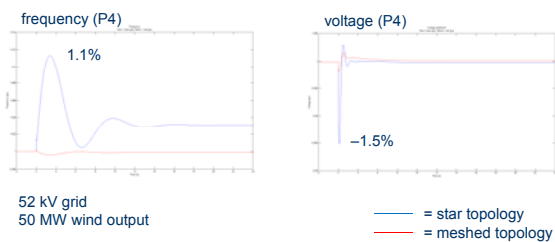
## Grid topology

- Star topology (minimum cable)
- Meshed topology (increased security)



## Grid topology II

- Frequency/voltage response – star vs. meshed topology (loss of P1-P3 connection)



## Outlook

- More simulations
  - meshed topology
  - different locations of gas turbines
  - control strategies (incl. FACTS) – Master study
- Technical Report
- Master thesis
- Presentation/paper at PowerTech 2011 (Trondheim)



## Balance Management with Large Scale Offshore Wind Integration

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► Postdoc at NOWITECH / NTNU

*"Balance Management with Large Scale Offshore Wind Integration"*

► Research activities

- WP1 integrated numerical design tools
- WP2 energy conversion systems
- WP3 novel substructures
- **WP4 grid connection and system integration**
- WP5 operation and maintenance
- WP6 novel concepts from previous WP

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## Balance Management with Large Scale Offshore Wind Integration

- Look at the total variability of wind production in the North Sea for different scenarios and time steps
- Influences of futures grids
- Balancing potential of Norway
- Optimal schedule of generation
- Influences of forecasts deviations
- Required: better models, detailed data (generation, load, wind), offshore/onshore grid expansion...



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## EMPS & PSST

► EMPS (EFI's Multi-area Power-market Simulator) [SUSPLAN]

- Mid- and long-term optimization of system operation on weekly basis
- Socio-Economic market simulator assuming a perfect market
- Hydro & thermal system, transmission lines, wind energy, consumption
- Optimal unit commitment and generation dispatch
- Results are area prices and water-values

► PSST (Power System Simulation Tool) [TradeWind]

- Optimal power flow analysis in hourly time resolution
- Minimises generation cost
- Utilization of data & water-values from EMPS as input

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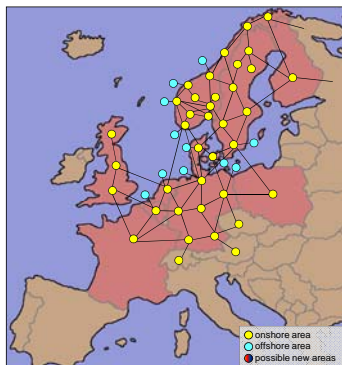
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## EMPS Model

► Current status

- Extended Norden-model to countries around North Sea
- Include some offshore wind areas
- 700 generation units with start/stop-costs (300 in GB)



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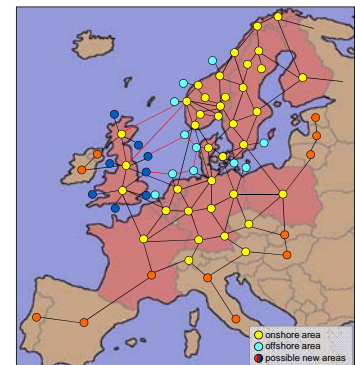
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## EMPS Model

► Next steps

- GB offshore wind farms
- Different variations of offshore grids and interconnections
- Simplified areas of other countries in Europe



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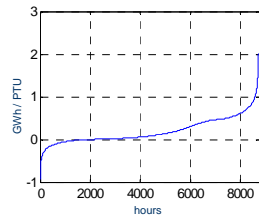
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## Exchange of regulating energy between Nordic area and continental Europe

- Reduction reserve activation: 10 TWh (40%)
- Exchange regulating energy: 9.2 TWh
- Average foreign procured reserves: 2150 MW
- Cost reduction:
  - Reserve procurement: 155 M€ / 67 %
  - Reserve activation: 254 M€ / 52 %



→ Nordic area delivers more positive energy than negative to Europe

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## Model in PSST

- Detailed grid for Nordic area
- Grid data for Europe available/confidential from other projects
- Ongoing work:
  - Start/Stop-Costs
  - Losses
  - AC power flow
  - Optimization of grid connections



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## Great Britain Grid Data

- GB Seven Year Statement 2010
- Digest of UK energy statistics (DUKES)
- Detailed information about substations (700), lines (1800), power plants (360) etc. for 2010-2017
- Own modifications:
  - Integration of geographical data
  - Adding additional information
  - Export of data for simulation tools



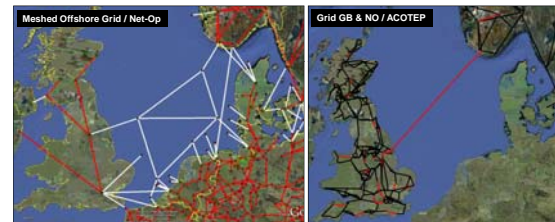
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## Grid Connections & Expansion Planning

- Offshore grid optimization with Net-Op (NOWITECH)
- Ant colony optimization for onshore/offshore grids (PhD work)



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## Offshore & Onshore Wind Farm Data

- Data for different offshore and onshore wind farms – not only cluster
- Geographical information
- Usage in different projects
- Better results in combination with more detailed wind data



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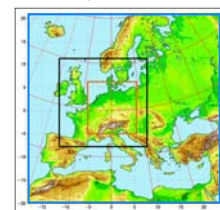


## Enhanced Wind Data

Reanalysis  
(6h, up to 180km, 1948-today)



- Cosmo-LM (1h, 7km, 1999-2005)
- Cosmo-EU (1h, 7km, 2005-today)
- Cosmo-DE (1h, 2.8km, 2007-today)



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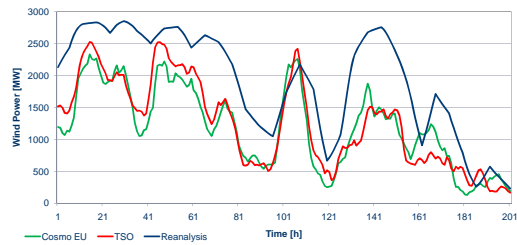




## Enhanced Wind Data

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### ► Comparison between Reanalysis, Cosmo-EU and TSO data



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## Outlook

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- Further development of
  - EMPS (code & tools)
  - PSST (code & tools)
  - Models (detail & size)
- Functional and detailed model of the North Sea offshore system including all relevant countries in EMPS and PSST
- Running different future scenarios to identify the influences of grid topography, coupled markets, generation & transmission expansion, operation management, storage usage...

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## **B2) Grid Connection**

Challenges and design of offshore substations, Christer Olerud, Goodtech Projects & Services

Wind farm measurements and model validation, Prof Kjetil Uhlen, NTNU

Transient analysis of transformers and cables for offshore wind connection, Bjørn Gustavsen, SINTEF Energi AS



## Wind R&D Seminar – Deep Sea Offshore Wind Challenges and Design of Offshore Substations

Christer Olerud  
Trondheim  
20.01.2011



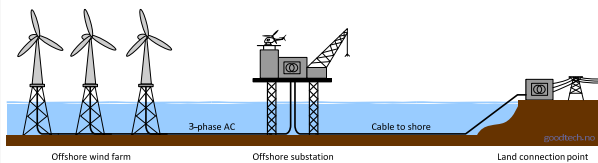
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## New large Nordic company



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## Offshore wind farm overview



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## Offshore wind = multidiscipline industry



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## Main Challenges

- Location of offshore substation
- Number of offshore substations
- Infield cable pattern and choice of cable types
- Offshore substation layout
- Reactive power compensation
- Grid connection
- Total electrical system



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## Inter array cable network

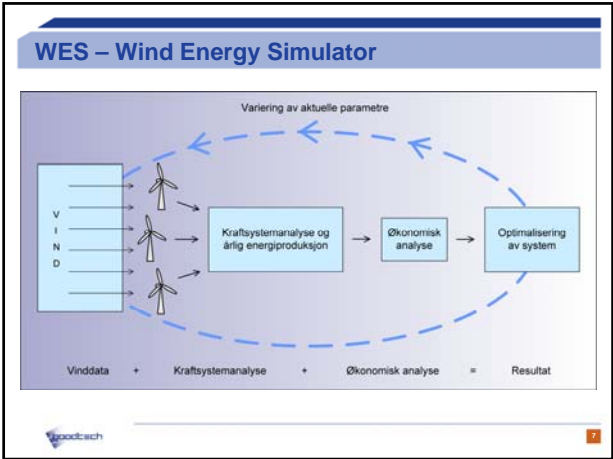


- Optimizing inter-array cable network
- 1 or 2 substations, inside or outside wind farm area
- Radials or loops
- Cable sizes



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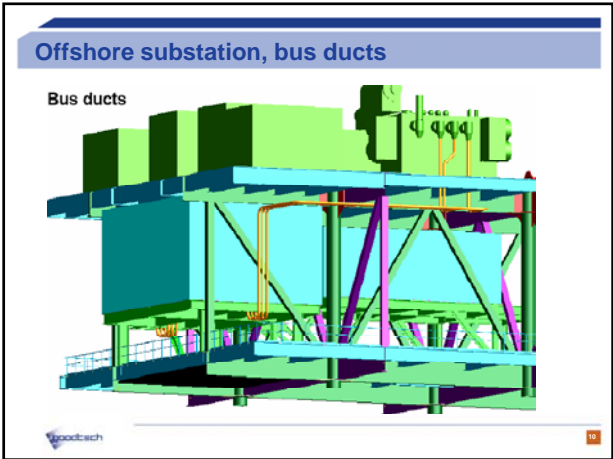
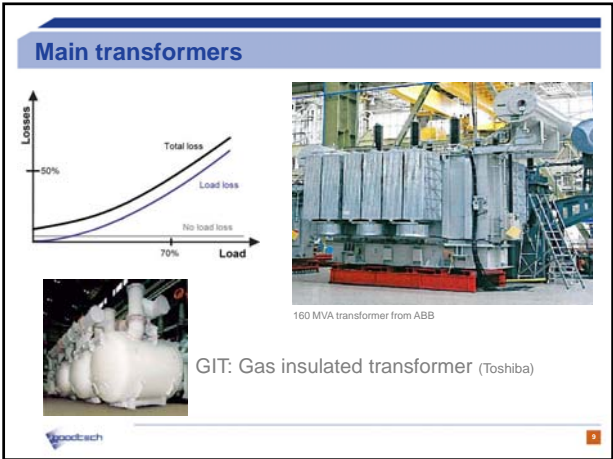


### Offshore substation layout and equipment

- Accommodation
- External cladding
- Optimized layout
- Installation \*

- Cooling of transformers \*
- Switchgear
- Cable pull-in
- Bus ducts \*

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Reactive compensation

Wind turbine  
(turbine manufacturer)

Offshore substation  
(wind farm owner)

Onshore grid  
(grid owner)

Offshore wind farm      Offshore substation      Land connection point

3-phase AC      Cable to shore

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How to optimize ?  
Demands from grid owner (grid code)  
Placement of equipment

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Grid connection

PCC (Point of Common Coupling)

External grid

Onshore coupling point

OSS

OWTs

PCC definition a

PCC definition b

PCC definition c

a) at connection point onshore at the grid coupling point

b) at high voltage busbar at the OSS

c) at the OWT terminals

Capability in the onshore transmission grid

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Thank you for your attention!

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3-phase AC      Cable to shore

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**Objective:**

To develop technical and market based solutions for cost effective grid connection and system integration of offshore wind farms.

### Three main tasks:

- Internal electrical infrastructure for offshore wind farms
- Grid connection and control
- Market integration and system operation



### Outline:

- ▶ Power system measurements
- ▶ Results from wind farm measurements
- ▶ Wind farm modelling for power system studies
- ▶ Model validation
- ▶ Main experiences and concluding remarks



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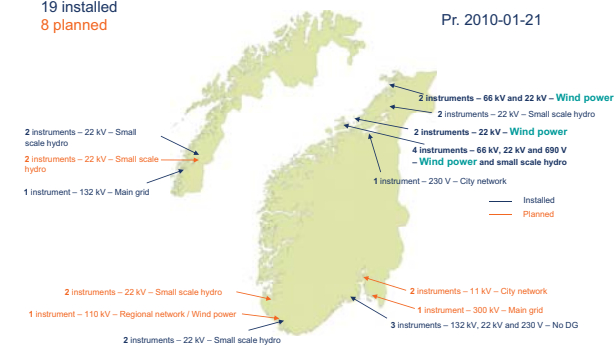


► How:

- Continuous measurements of electrical quantities (voltages and currents)
  - High sample rates to capture high frequency dynamics and long-term variations
  - Many locations (not only wind farms)
- Why:
- Documentation of voltage quality
  - Variability and performance of wind turbines and wind farms
  - Disturbances and impacts

19 installed  
8 planned

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## Wind farm measurements and model validation

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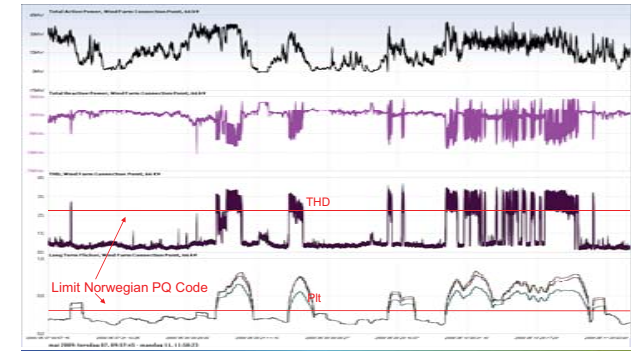
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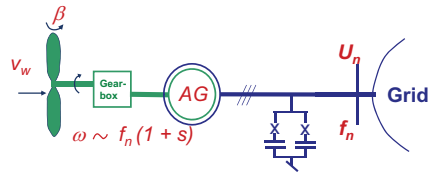
## Measurements - overview

- Three different locations
  - At one wind farm with fixed speed wind turbines
  - At two locations with variable speed (full converter) wind turbines
- Results focusing on
  - Voltage control / reactive power capability
  - Voltage quality
  - Wind farm performance and variability (comparing performance of Individual wind turbines versus whole wind farm)
  - (Occurrences and impacts of disturbances)
- One year of measurements

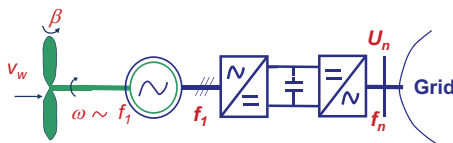
## Sample measurements (four days)



### Wind farm 1: Asynchronous generator with switched capacitor banks ("fixed speed")



### Wind farm 2 and 3: Full frequency converter ("variable speed")

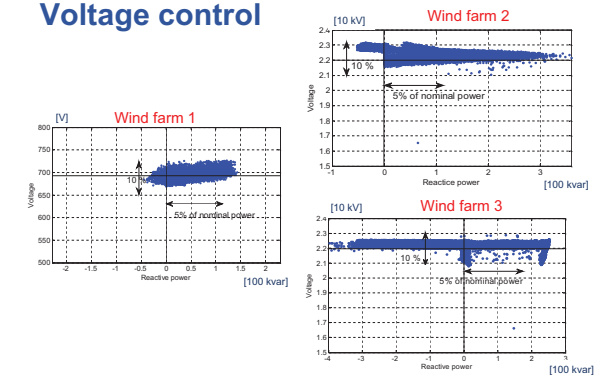


## Voltage control

Possibilities depend on configuration (power conversion system and grid connection).

- Conventional solution:
  - Synchronous generator with AVR (not widely used in WTs)
- Fixed speed wind turbine (induction gen.):
  - Switched capacitor banks (Mechanically or thyristor based)
- Variable speed wind turbine:
  - Using power electronics (grid side converter) as part of the wind turbine's power conversion system

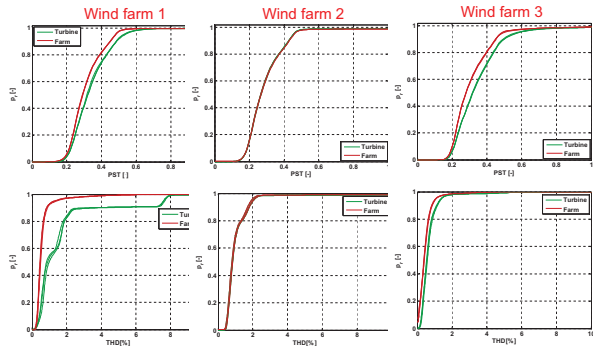
## Voltage control





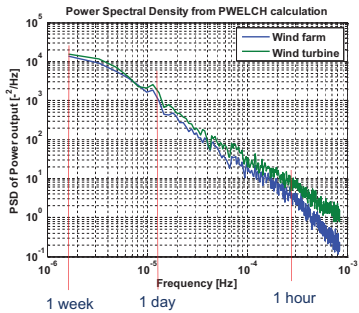
Voltage quality (flicker and harmonics)

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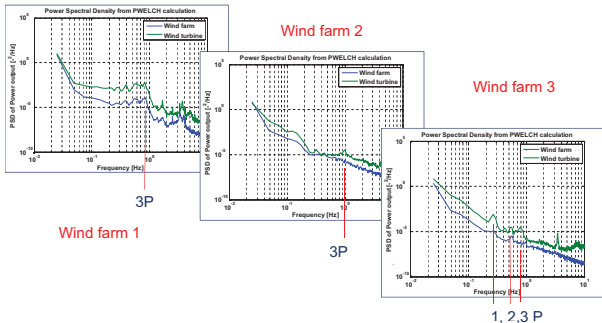
Long term variability

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Short term variability

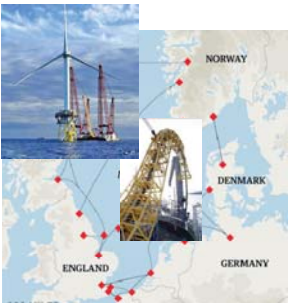
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Wind farm measurements and model validation

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- Outline:
- ▶ Power system measurements
  - ▶ Results from wind farm measurements
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  - ▶ Main experiences and concluding remarks



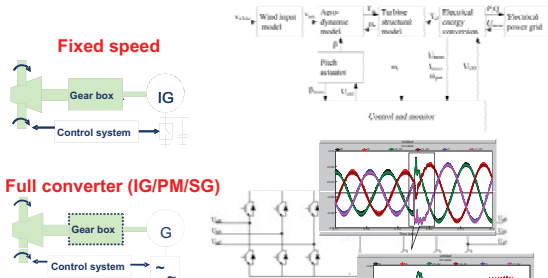
Library of wind farm models for power system studies.

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- ▶ Common starting point for grid studies
  - Alternative design of wind farm internal grids
  - Wind farm control systems
  - Switching transients in wind farms.
- ▶ Challenge in modeling of power electronics converters for offshore wind turbines and HVDC systems for grid connection.
- ▶ Measurements for model validation

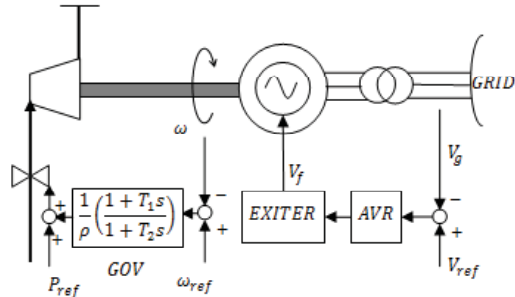
Modelling of wind turbines for power system studies

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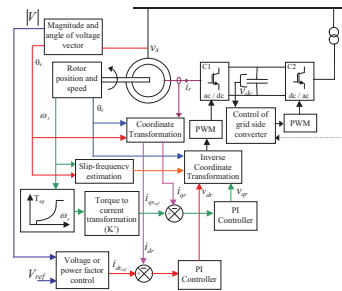




## Governor and voltage controller models for a "conventional" power plant



## Controllers and control loops in a variable-speed wind turbine model



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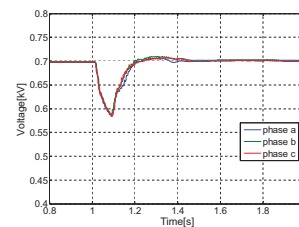
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## Model validation

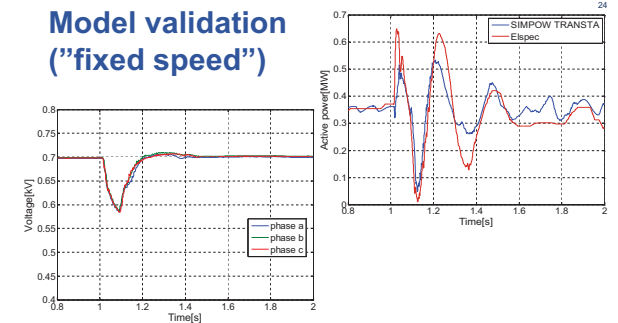
- Using data from grid disturbances (voltage dip)
- Comparing simulated and measured responses from
  - individual wind turbines, or
  - whole wind farm
- Two different locations
  - At wind farm with fixed speed wind turbines
  - At wind farm with variable speed (full converter) wind turbines

## Model validation ("fixed speed")



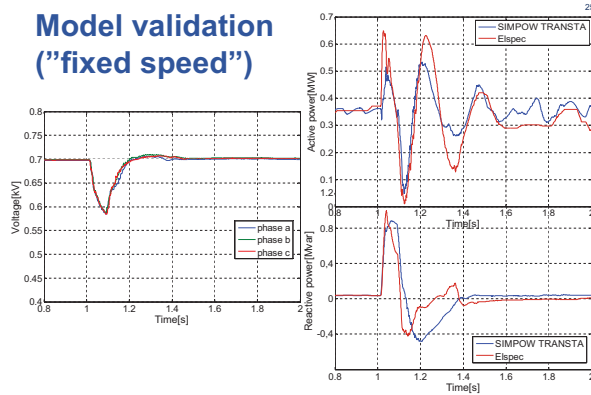
- Response to grid disturbances
  - Voltage dip (17-18%)
- Important for future studies
- Grid code compliance

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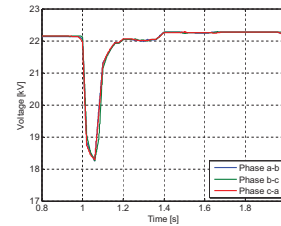




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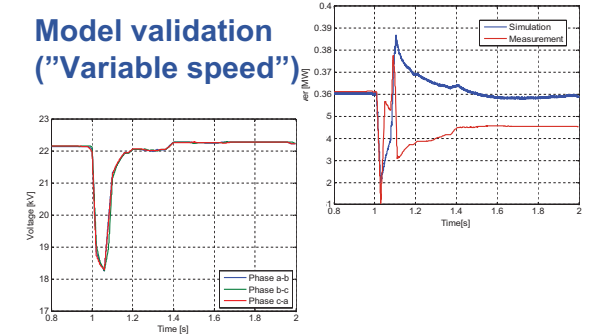


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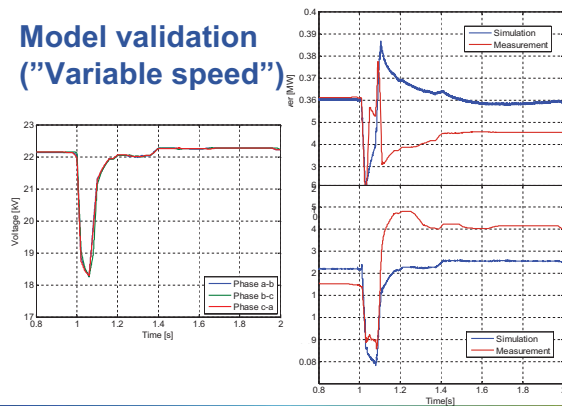


- Work in progress:
- Response to voltage dip (17-18%)
- Different responses?

## Model validation ("Variable speed")



## Model validation ("Variable speed")



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## Main experiences - Measurements

- Large amount of data
- Valuable information obtained
  - Voltage quality
  - Variability and performance of wind turbines / wind farms
  - Nature and impacts of disturbances
- Mainly satisfactory performance
- Fault ride through capability not well confirmed

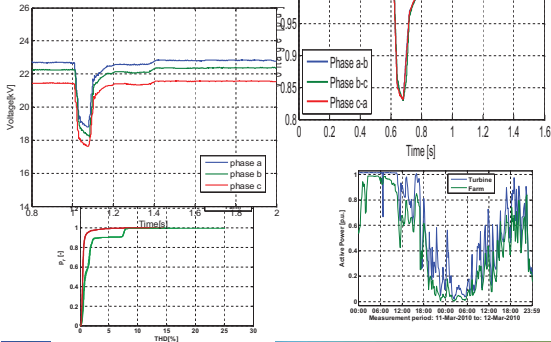


Main experiences – Model validation

- Measurements from disturbances good basis for model validation
- Possible to make good models
- But:
  - Still a challenge to make good models for full converter wind turbines without knowledge of actual power controls



Extras



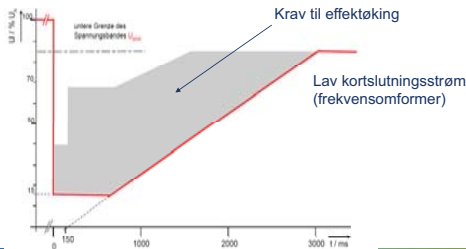
Grid codes for wind power ..

- Power control
  - Ability to control power output
  - Frequency control (primary reserves)
  - Start and stop, limits on power gradients,...
- Frequency and voltage deviations
  - Frequency and voltage limits where wind farms shall operate and when they shall stop
- Reactive power and Voltage control
  - Reactive compensation
  - Control Requirements (Mvar-control, cos $\phi$ -control, Voltage control, etc.)
  - Voltage quality (Voltage variations, dips, flicker, harmonics, etc.)
- Response to grid faults
  - Stability requirements (transient) (Various types of faults)
- Protection of the wind farm against grid faults
  - Responsibility
  - Tolerance.
- Communication (between wind farm and grid operator, ..)
  - Responsibility for providing information, operational data, etc.
- Requirements regarding documentation, analysis, testing, etc.



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Eksempel Tyskland

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# Transient analysis of transformers and cables for offshore wind connection

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Wind power R&D seminar – deep sea offshore wind:  
Trondheim, Norway, 20-21 January, 2011.

## Outline

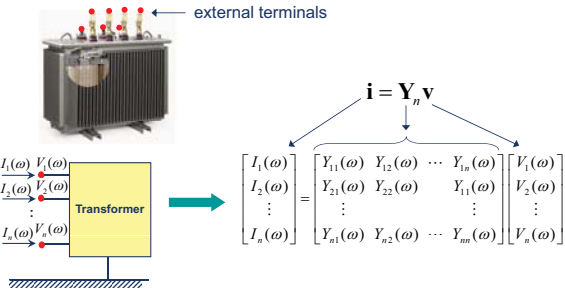
- Modeling of transformers and cables
- High-frequency transformer-cable resonance
- Wind power

## PART I : Modeling of transformers and cables

## High-frequency transformer modeling (black box)

1. Characterize the transformer by its frequency domain behavior at its external terminals
2. Identify a model which emulates the behavior of the transformer, as seen from the terminals.

## Terminal characterization by admittance matrix



## Measurement of admittance matrix

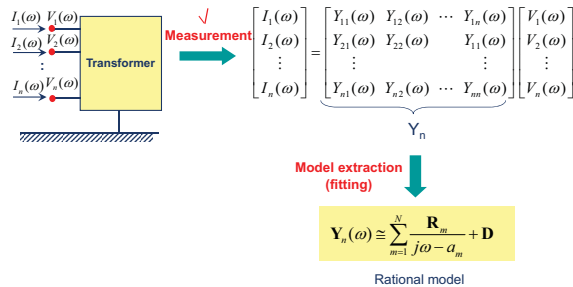
- Network analyzer
- Connection box
- Coaxial cables
- Current sensor



Built-in current sensor (Pearson)



## Modeling via rational functions



## Procedure for rational fitting

1. Calculate a rational model using Vector Fitting

$$\mathbf{Y}(\omega) \cong \sum_{m=1}^N \frac{\mathbf{R}_m}{j\omega - a_m} + \mathbf{D}$$

2. Enforce passivity by residue perturbation

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \Delta \mathbf{Y} &= \sum_{m=1}^N \frac{\Delta \mathbf{R}_m}{s - a_m} + \Delta \mathbf{D} \cong \mathbf{0} \\ \text{eig}(\text{Re}\{\mathbf{Y} + \sum_{m=1}^N \frac{\Delta \mathbf{R}_m}{s - a_m}\}) &> \mathbf{0} \\ \text{eig}(\mathbf{D} + \Delta \mathbf{D}) &> \mathbf{0} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Matrix Fitting Toolbox

<http://www.energy.sintef.no/produkt/VECTFIT/index.asp>

## High-frequency cable modeling

1. Characterize the cable by its per-unit-length series impedance matrix  $\mathbf{Z}$  and shunt admittance matrix  $\mathbf{Y}$ 

$$\mathbf{Z}(\omega) = \mathbf{R}(\omega) + j\omega\mathbf{L}(\omega)$$

$$\mathbf{Y}(\omega) = \mathbf{G}(\omega) + j\omega\mathbf{C}(\omega)$$
2. From  $\mathbf{Z}$  and  $\mathbf{Y}$ , calculate parameters for a frequency-dependent traveling wave model.

This modeling capability is available in EMTP-type programs

Main challenge: calculate  $\mathbf{Z}$

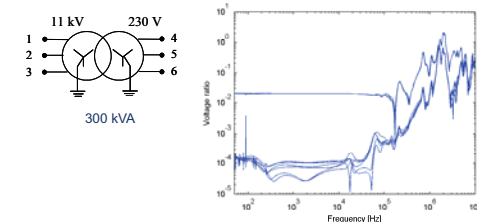
- Analytical expressions
- Finite Element

## PART II : Cable-transformer high-frequency resonance

B. Gustavsen, "Study of transformer resonant overvoltages caused by cable-transformer high-frequency interaction", IEEE Trans. Power Delivery, vol. 25, no. 2, pp. 770-779, April 2010.

- Demonstrate that transients on the high-voltage side of a transformer can cause excessive overvoltages on the low-voltage side.
- Identify critical cable-transformer configurations that lead to high overvoltages

## Voltage ratio, from high to low



At high frequencies, the voltage ratio is governed by stray capacitances and inductances, not ampere-winding balance.

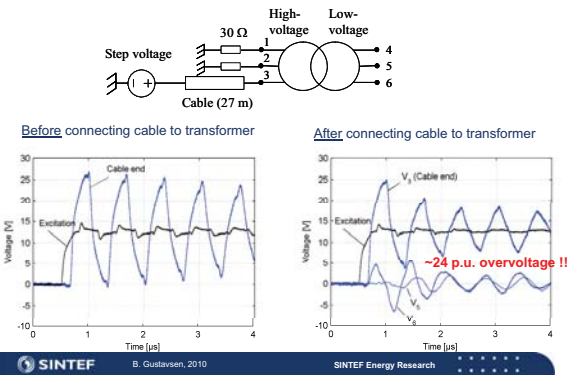
50 Hz → voltage ratio ≈ 0.02

2MHz → voltage ratio ≈ 2

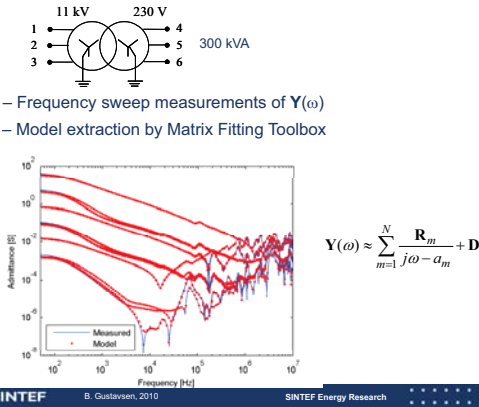
⇒ A 2 MHz sinusoidal voltage would produce a 100 p.u. overvoltage



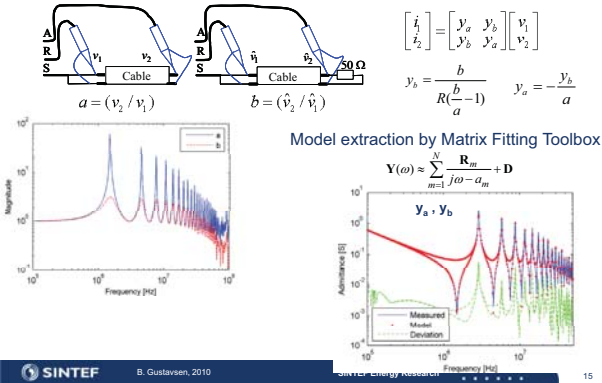
Laboratory measurement



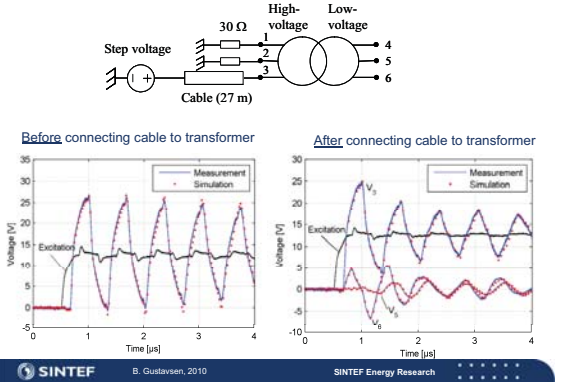
Measurement-based model of transformer



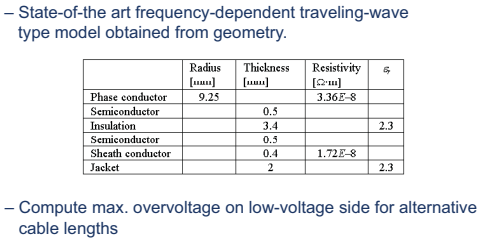
Measurement-based model of 27-m cable



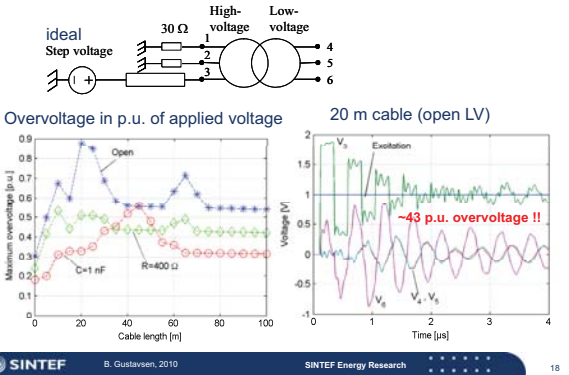
Simulation vs. measurement



Max. overvoltage vs. cable length

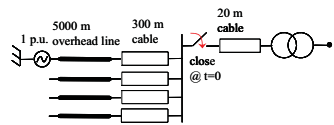


Ground fault.  
Max. overvoltage vs. cable length





Switching overvoltages (1)

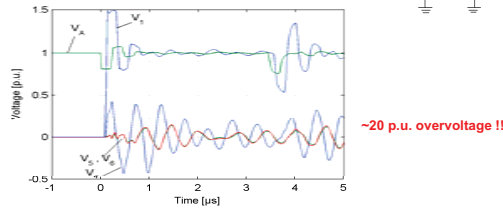
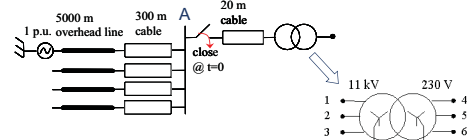


- Several parallel cables connected to bus
- Combined characteristic impedance much lower than that of connection cable
- Bus appears as "stiff" voltage seen from connection cable



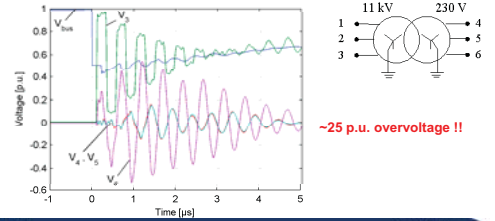
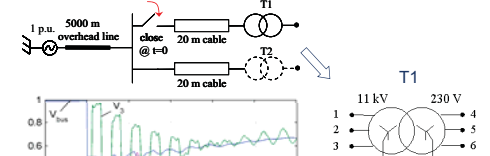
Closing CB results in oscillating voltage on cable

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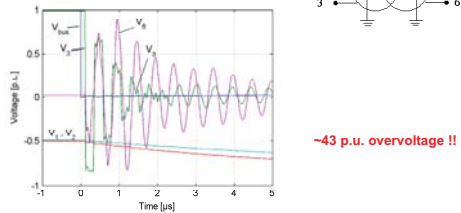
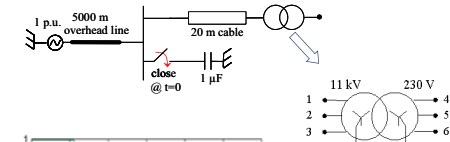


Switching overvoltages (2)

- Two cables of equal length coupled to the same busbar
- One cable is live



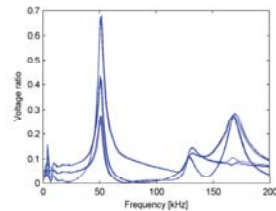
Switching overvoltages (3)



Note:

- Other transformers may have resonances at much lower frequencies.  
→ Overvoltages will occur with longer cables.

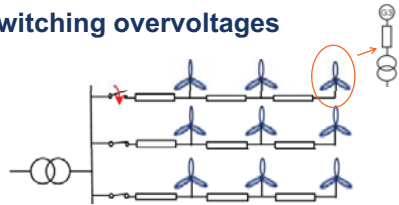
Voltage ratio for a 410 MVA generator transformer (434 kV / 21 kV)



PART III :  
Relevance to wind power

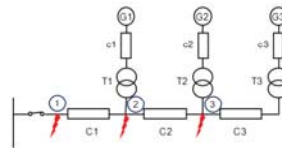


## Switching overvoltages



- Radials of nearly equal length
- Energizing a branch  
→ oscillating overvoltage on WT transformer HV side
- In the case of short radials (< 1km), the oscillating overvoltage has frequency above 50 kHz
- High overvoltages may result on WT transformer LV side by resonance

## Ground fault initiation



- Ground fault initiation can cause an oscillating overvoltage in the cable.
- Frequency depends on fault location
- High overvoltages may result on WT transformer LV side by resonance

## Notes

- The actual overvoltage on the WT LV side is strongly dependent on the network on the LV side
- A complete model must be developed

## Conclusions

- High-frequency interaction between the wind turbine transformers and the cables can lead to excessive overvoltages the transformer LV side.
- The phenomenon can be triggered by ground fault initiation and by switching.

## Electromagnetic Transients in Future Power Systems. Phenomena, Component Stresses, Modeling

A JIP project (KMB) between SINTEF and industry partners  
(2011-2015)

New partners are welcome !  
Contact: bjorn.gustavsen@sintef.no

## Objective

Develop and demonstrate tools for the evaluation of land-based and offshore power systems in order to ensure increased reliability of the supply and minimize the risk for failures due to unexpected interactions. This will be achieved with the development of computational models of grid components for assessing transient voltages and currents in power grids.

1. Assessment of trends in power systems related to new network topologies and component technologies.
2. Develop wide-band component models and modelling procedures for power grids components: transformers, cables, circuit breakers, and instrument transformers. These models should be ready to work out-of-the box, allowing for wide-spread application by non-expert users.
3. Demonstrate how such models can be applied for determination of transients in future power systems. Overvoltage levels, currents, protective relaying, penetration of harmonics.



## **C1) Met-ocean conditions**

Conditions for Offshore Wind Energy Use, Prof D Heinemann, Uni. Oldenburg

Atmospheric profiling by lidar for wind energy research, Torben Mikkelsen,  
DTU Risø

From tower to tower, Svein Erling Hansen, Fugro Oceanor

Effects of ocean waves, Alastair Jenkins, Uni Research



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Finite knowledge of offshore wind conditions limits our modeling success!

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## ONSHORE (INLAND) vs. OFFSHORE (MARINE) WINDS

Marine winds are fundamentally different from inland winds in four principal ways:

- Still vs. Moving Surface**
  - surface moves under the influence of wind forcing
  - momentum from tides, ocean currents, and wind-driven currents
  - wave generation driven by momentum transfer from wind
- Atmospheric Stability**
  - poor PBL parameterizations in case of non-stable thermal stratifications
  - highly variable frictional turning over water linked to wave height and stability
- Land-Water Interface**
  - varying coastal wind effects
  - regionally important
- Isallobaric Winds**
  - local wind effect due to time-varying pressure fields
  - more significant over sea due to decreased friction
  - potential source of large wind forecast errors

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## MARINE BOUNDARY LAYER CONDITIONS

- MBL is rather shallow compared to continental air masses (higher moisture content → lower lifting condensation level)
- Low variability of sea surface temperature (SST), nearly unlimited energy source and sink
  - smaller diurnal oscillation in air temperature
- MBL flow is more geostrophic in both speed and direction as over land given the same atmospheric conditions
- NWP issues:
  - Errors in model BL profiles of wind, temperature, and dew point due to turbulence and convective parameterizations
  - Simple algorithms for wind-wave coupling
  - Lack of real-time data for model initialization (→ data assimilation, → remote sensing)
  - Poor resolution of near-surface variables

forecast winds (and waves) are often erroneous during both stability extremes in the MBL

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## MARINE BOUNDARY LAYER CONDITIONS

### Turbulence (I)

#### Mechanical Turbulence

- through interaction of the wind and surface air mass with sea surface waves
- resulting eddies formed by the rising and falling sea surface can extend vertically for tens of meters
- Extent of eddies is based on wave height and vertical near-surface wind shear

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## MARINE BOUNDARY LAYER CONDITIONS

### Turbulence (II)

#### Convective Turbulence

- Due to rising plumes of warm air and compensating downdrafts
- Range from 100 to more than 1000 m height
- Stability is the main factor for the depth of frictional coupling in the MBL due to convective turbulence
- Stratified lower atmosphere: Mixing is minimal and the surface air mass will be decoupled from the winds aloft
- Temperature difference between rather constant SST and temperature of overlying air mass is primary factor impacting stability over water

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## DIFFERENCES BETWEEN MARINE AND CONTINENTAL ATMOSPHERIC BOUNDARY LAYERS (I)

- Near-surface air is always moist, relative humidity typically ~ 75–100%
- Weak diurnal cycle, since surface energy fluxes distribute over a large depth (10–100+ m) of water (large heat capacity!)
- Small air-sea temperature differences, except near coasts. Air is typically 0–2 K cooler than the water due to radiative cooling and advection, except for strong winds or large sea-surface temperature (SST) gradients.
- The MBL air is usually radiatively cooling at 1–2 K/day, and some of this heat is supplied by sensible heat fluxes off the ocean surface. If the air is much colder than the SST, vigorous convection will quickly reduce the temperature difference.

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### DIFFERENCES BETWEEN MARINE AND CONTINENTAL ATMOSPHERIC BOUNDARY LAYERS (II)

- Small 'Bowen ratio' of sensible to latent heat flux due to the small air-sea temperature difference:  
latent heat fluxes: ~ 50–200 Wm<sup>-2</sup>, sensible heat fluxes: ~ 0–30 Wm<sup>-2</sup>
- Most of marine boundary layers include clouds.  
Excepting near coasts, when warm, dry continental air advects over a colder ocean, tending to produce a more stable shear-driven BL which does not deepen to the LCL of surface air. Clouds can greatly affect MBL dynamics. It also affects the surface and top-of-atmosphere energy balance and the SST.

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### VERTICAL WIND PROFILE OVER SEA

- Generally, Monin-Obukhov theory has been found to be applicable over open sea (although developed over land...)
- We need: homogeneous and stationary flow conditions

$$u(z) = \frac{u_*}{\kappa} \left[ \ln\left(\frac{z}{z_0}\right) - \Psi_m\left(\frac{z}{L}\right) \right]$$

- Coastal areas show strong inhomogeneities due to
  - roughness change at coastline
  - heat flux change through different surfaces
- Common example: Warm air advection over cold water (→ well-mixed layer below an inversion)
- Systematic deviations from Monin-Obukhov theory at offshore sites!

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### VERTICAL WIND PROFILE OVER SEA

Example: Ratio of wind speeds at 50m and 10m as a function of stability parameter 10/L for different estimation methods for L

Determination of L by different methods: sonic, gradient & bulk method  
Data: Redsand, Baltic sea, 50m, 1998-1999; solid line: MO theory

- Evidence of larger deviations from MO for stable stratification
- Results depend on „measurement“ of L

Lange (2002)

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Results show:

- Established theories may fail when basic assumptions are no longer valid
- Availability of (more) high quality measurement data is essential
- Results may depend on specific techniques and data for analysis (usually indicator for non-optimal solution...)

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### WIND FLOW IN AND BEHIND WIND FARMS: WAKE EFFECTS

Significant reduction of wind speed downstream of a wind farm

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Vertical wind profile  
measured and modeled wake effect in 3D distance behind the rotor  
in comparison with an undisturbed logarithmic profile

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## WIND FLOW IN AND BEHIND WIND FARMS: WAKE EFFECTS

Operation results of Horns Rev offshore wind farm showed 20% less power output than calculated (Barthelmie et al., 2009)

- ▶ Fundamental different flow conditions in large wind farms compared to small ones
- ▶ Suboptimal consideration of interaction of wind flow in a wind farm and atmospheric boundary layer
- ▶ Lack of adequate measurement data
- ▶ Larger effects expected for spatially „coupled“ wind farms

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## WIND FLOW IN AND BEHIND WIND FARMS: WAKE EFFECTS

### LES approach

- ▶ High-resolution modeling of idealized development of „far wakes“ (10 m)
  - Periodic boundary conditions (non-periodic in development)
  - Development of wakes in the boundary layer
  - Validation with on-site measurements

### Coupling of mesoscale model & LES

- ▶ Analysis of wake development under real meteorological conditions
  - „nested“ areas
  - WEC model (MYJ-TKE scheme):
    - sink of kinetic energy
    - source of turbulent kinetic energy
  - Analysis of wind farm effects

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## OUTLOOK & RESEARCH NEEDS (I)

- ▶ Measurements for optimization of micro- and meso-scale meteorological models incl. satellite remote sensing (vertical structure?!)
  - ▶ Improved wake modeling (multiple wakes, wind farm wakes, ▶ LES)
- ▶ Offshore Wind Resource Assessment:
  - ▶ Wake Effects and Climate Impacts of Offshore Wind Farms
  - ▶ Wakes from large wind farms
  - ▶ Impact of wakes on local/regional climate: boundary layer height, boundary layer clouds
  - ▶ Future climates and wind resources
  - ▶ Validate new mesoscale parameterization for offshore conditions

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## OUTLOOK & RESEARCH NEEDS (II)

- ▶ Surface waves and turbulent boundary layers and their mutual relationships:
  - ▶ complex wave surfaces in ABL and OBL LES
  - ▶ coupled wind-wave and wave-current models
  - ▶ OBL and ABL mixing parameterizations with wave effects;
  - ▶ wave and turbulence mechanics in high winds (e.g., hurricanes)
  - ▶ wave-breaking structure and statistical distributions
  - ▶ disequilibrium, mis-aligned wind-wave conditions

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Deep Sea Offshore Wind Power  
R&D Seminar Trondheim, 20-21 Jan. 2011

Atmospheric Profiling by Lidar for Wind Energy Research

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From new Wind Lidar Technology  
towards new Wind Energy  
Research Infrastructures...:

First CW Wind Lidar 2004

MusketeerEX 2007/2008

SpinnerEX 2009

WindScanner.dk 2010-2013

EU ESFRI Road Map 2010

RI focus

Scientific focus

Technical focus

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VISION I:  
Full scale off and on shore measurements on WT arrays & wakes  
e.g. as here at Horns reef

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Vision II: RI Windscanner  
Secure wind resource estimation in particular in complex terrain

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VISION III  
Pro-active wind turbine control from upwind measurements by lidars  
integrated in the nacelle... :

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Short-range WindScanners

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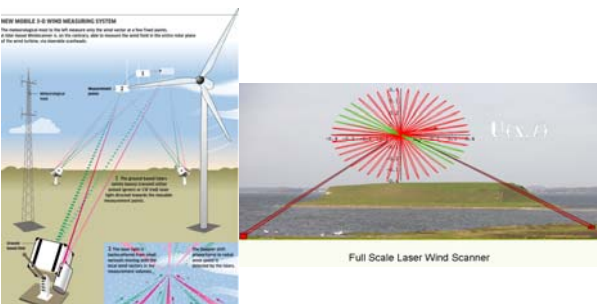
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The **RI WINDSCANNER** methodology is based on 3-dimensional scanning with wind lidars to determine the instantaneous turbulence fields:



Full Scale Laser Wind Scanner

Since 2005 wind lidar technology has enabled replacement of tall (>100m) met masts

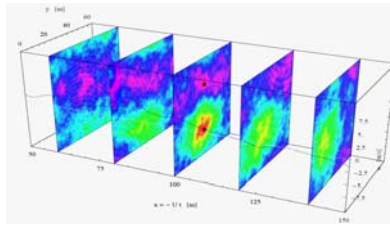
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Our Aim: To measure 3-D wind fields in 2-D planes



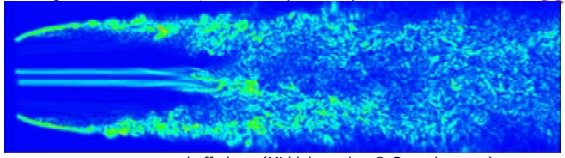
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Wind Turbines of today and tomorrow extract energy from the wind...  
....but generates also wakes, over land...(eScience):



...and off-shore (Middelgrunden @ Copenhagen...)



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**MusketeerEx-II:**  
Høvsøre Dec. 2008 Windscanner lidar test  
Spatial-resolution improved "Stretch Pod" Unit 107 (left) vs. Windscanner Unit 120 (right)




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**Experimental Progress:  
Høvsøre Dec. 2 - 7 2007**



.. The first assembled Windscanner (April 2010):



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Man kind and Machine Meets: ...the new gadget is inspected .... :



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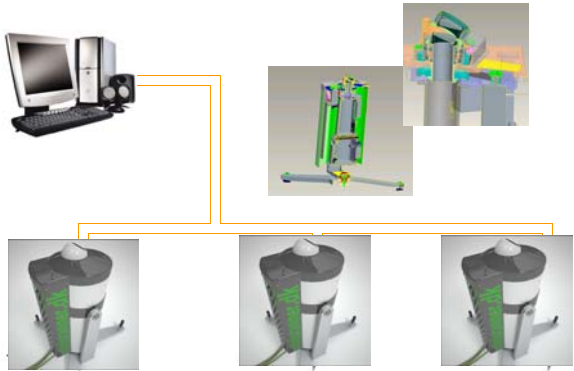
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Presentation name: 17/04/2008

**WindScanner.dk: 12 -axes Control System**

Conneting and steering of 9 (+3 ) akser:



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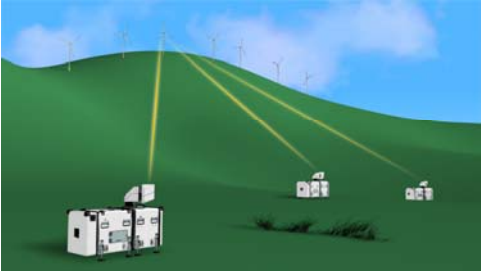
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**Long-Range WindScanning:**

On and offshore Ressource Assessment,Wind Conditions, Wakes



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**Specifications: Long-Range Wind Scanner:**

**WLS70 +2D Risø DTU/ Leosphere Scan Head:**

- **Range:**
- Range 1.5 - 5 km depending on aerosols and sampling time
- **Resolution:**
- Space: Line-of-sight: 50-55 m(FWHM)
- Time: 1-10 s pr. measurement
- **Drive specifications for both axis:**
- Resolution ≤ 2mrad
- Speed ≤ 50°/s
- Acceleration > 100°/s<sup>2</sup>
- Rotation = Continuous
- Backlash ≤ 0.5mrad
- Endless rotation
- Full sky scanning + "down-look"



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**First Long-Range Windscanner:** Oct.2010

Joint Risø DTU-Leosphere WLS70 (<1.5 km)/200 (<5 km)



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**First Long-Range (Max range 5 km) WindScanner**

Risø Workshop Risø DTU, Leosphere, Fr. and IPU, DK, Oct. 2010



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WindCube 002 modified for Risø MET-Mast EX 2009/2010:

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Turbulence measured over Risø DTU by Doppler Lidar  
for basic power spectral and coherence studies

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Risø MET- Mast EX Dec 2009

- 125 m above ground; Inertial Subrange

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Results to date...:  
Pro-active wind turbine control from upwind measurements by lidars  
integrated in the nacelle... :

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• 25 kW Wind Turbine 1975:  
•  $\varnothing/H \sim 0.3$

• 2.3 MW NM80  
• Height 59 m;  
•  $\varnothing=80H$   
•  $\varnothing/H \sim 1.4$

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Measurement Setup's:

Period	Wedge	Distance
April – May 2009	15°	~1.24Ø
July – August 2009	30°	~0.58Ø

Animation Horizontal Wind Speed.avi

Wind speed values per rotation  
(each frame contains 10 consecutive scanning circles)

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CW Lidar: ZephIR (50 Hz)

Tjæreborg SPINNER-EX 2009

Wind Turbine: NM80 (NegMicon/Vestas)

Spinner – mounted lidar

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Tjæreborg: ZephIR "Spinner-Ex." ....

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Blade #1

Blade #2

Blade #3

wedge rotation

spinner rotation

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Time series (10 s) of approaching wind conditions measured +100 m upwind:

Ex.: Inhomogeneous wind field

Time series plot showing wind speed (m/s) vs. time (s). The plot displays a complex, irregular pattern, indicating an inhomogeneous wind field.

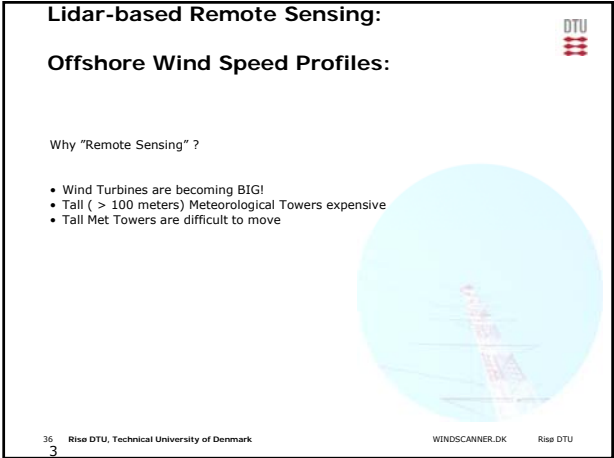
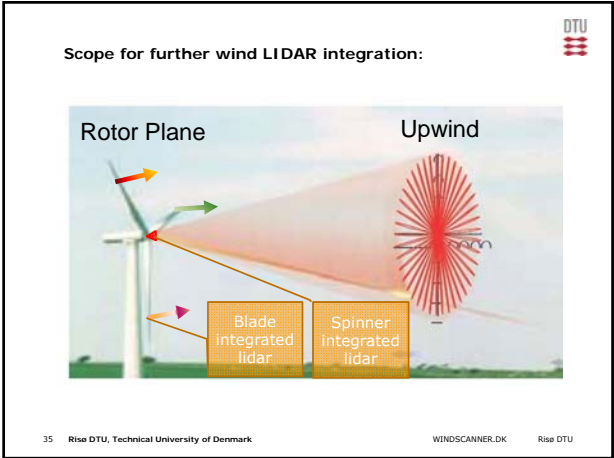
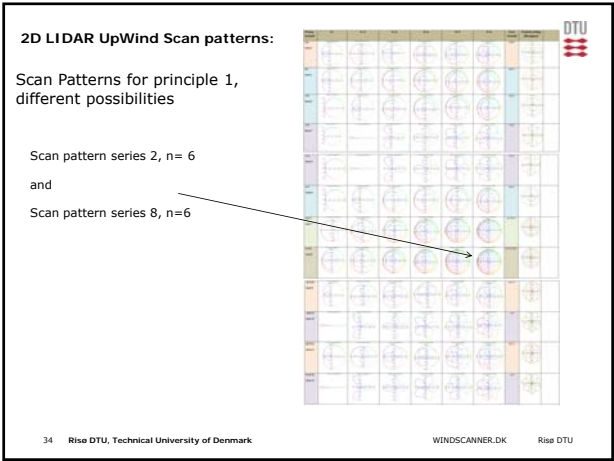
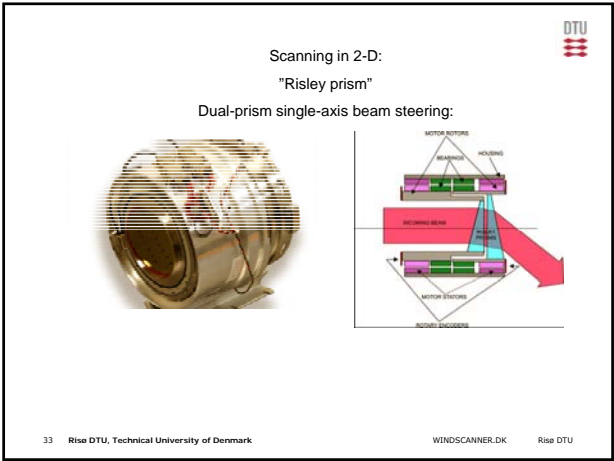
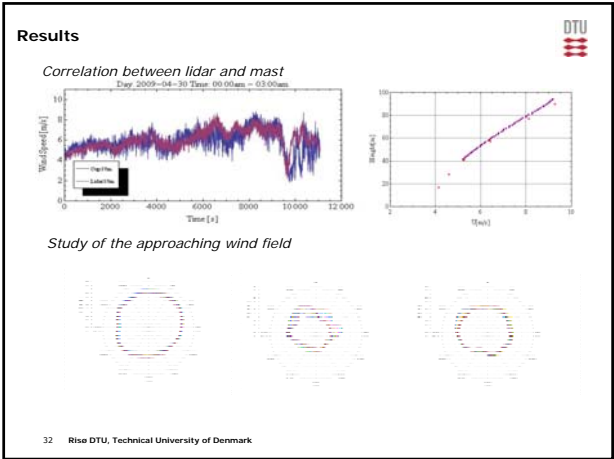
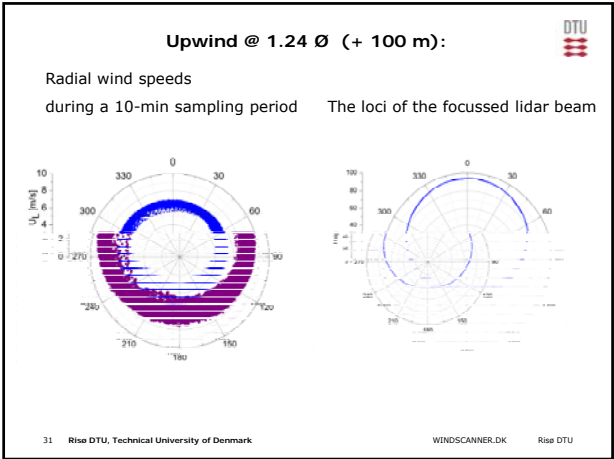
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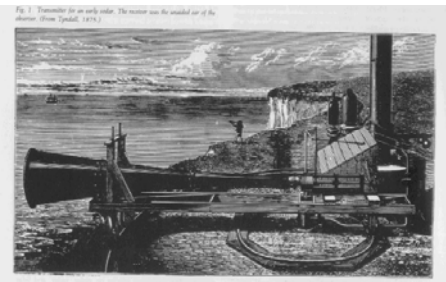




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### SODAR: Sound Detection And Ranging

Fig. 1. Transmitter for an early radar. The receiver was the mounted gun of the submarine (from Tyndall, 1875.)



*R.L.Schwiesow, Probing the atmospheric boundary layer*

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### Monostatic SODAR



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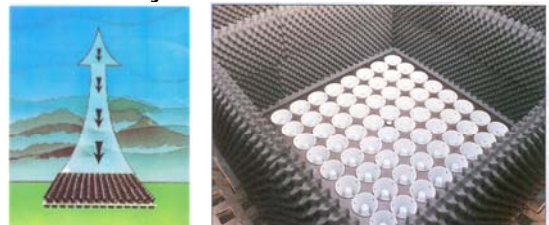
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Lidar and sodar

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### Phased Array



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### Test of SODAR'S



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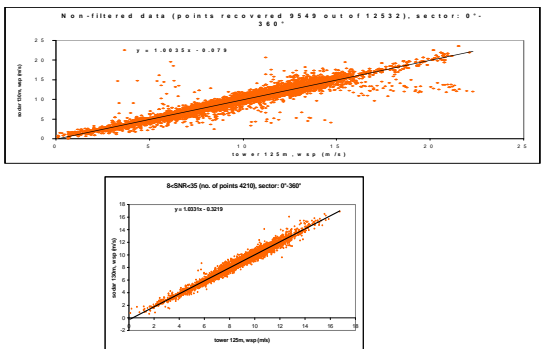
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Non-filtered data (points recovered 9549 out of 12532), sector: 0°-360°

$$y = 1.0033x - 0.079$$

8-SNR-35 (no. of points 4218), sector: 0°-360°

$$y = 1.0033x - 0.079$$

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Ground-based RS Wind Sensors @ Høvsøre 2004 - 2009:

SODARS

CW LIDARS

Pulsed LIDARS



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Sodar data is inherently noisier than lidar data

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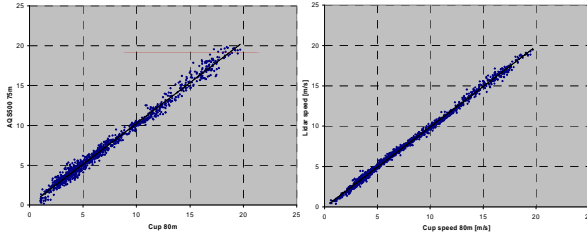
AGS500 Spd 75m vs Cup 80m

Windcube vs Cup at 80m

$y = 1.0237x + 0.0055$   
 $R^2 = 0.9989$

$y = 0.9922x$   
 $R^2 = 0.9992$

$y = 0.9989x - 0.0447$   
 $R^2 = 0.9992$



AGS 800 7m

Cup 80m

Lidar 80m 7m

Cup speed 80m [m/s]

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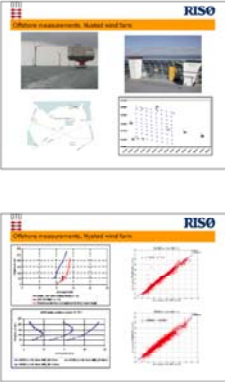
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Offshore measurements, National wind farm



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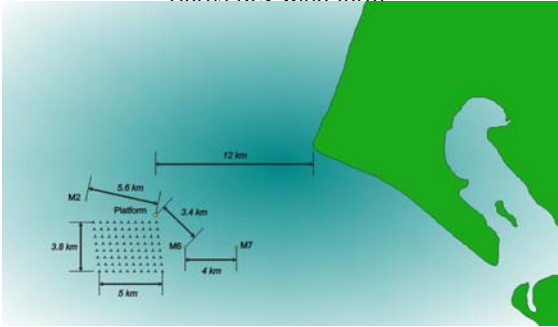
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M2

Platform

M5

M7

M8

5.6 km

12 km

3.4 km

3.8 km

5 km

4 km

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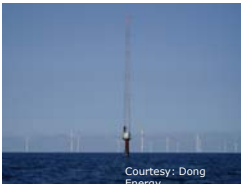
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### Meteorological masts and transformer platform



Courtesy: Dong Energy

- Cup anemometers and vanes at different levels on all masts (15~70m)



Courtesy: Dong Energy

- LIDAR/SODAR installed at 20m on the platform
- Campaign period: May 2 – Oct 29, 2006



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### Horns Rev 2006 ZephIR Lidar and an AQ-SODAR side-by-side... 12 Mega Watt....RS Off Shore



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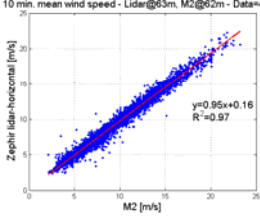
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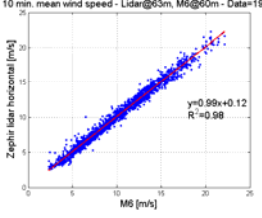
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### Correlations between LIDAR and M2/M6 for free sectors

10 min. mean wind speed - Lidar@63m, M2@62m - Data=4263



10 min. mean wind speed - Lidar@63m, M6@60m - Data=1979



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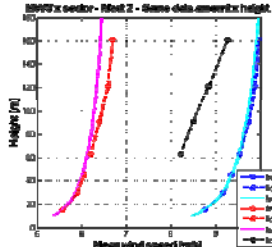
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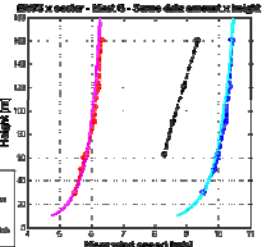
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### Wind profile extension with LIDAR data at M2/M6

WINDSCANNER - Plot 2 - Same data amount x height



WINDSCANNER - Plot 4 - Same data amount x height



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Overview on wind profiles

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Egmond aan Zee

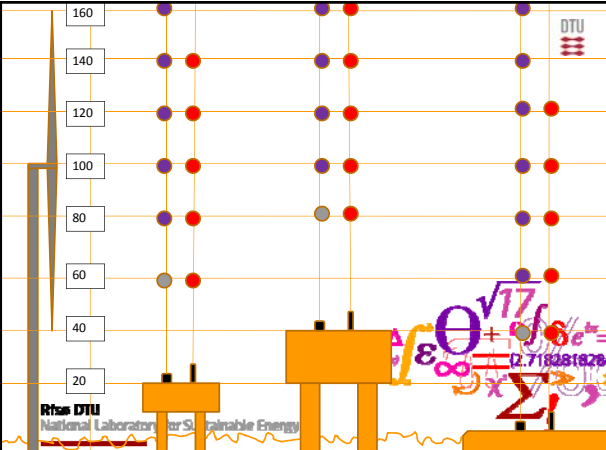
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Figure: WindCube wind lidar at (~ 25 m) on the platform

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Overview on wind profiles

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Wind Shear as function of Temperature difference:  $T_{air} - SST$

Courtesy: Leo Jensen, Dong Energy

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Overview on wind profiles in the North Sea

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Horns Rev I: 1st offshore wind lidar profiling

Figure: ZephIR lidar campaign at HRI in 2006 (Peña et al., 2009)

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Figure: Wind profiles up to 160 m (Peña et al., 2008)

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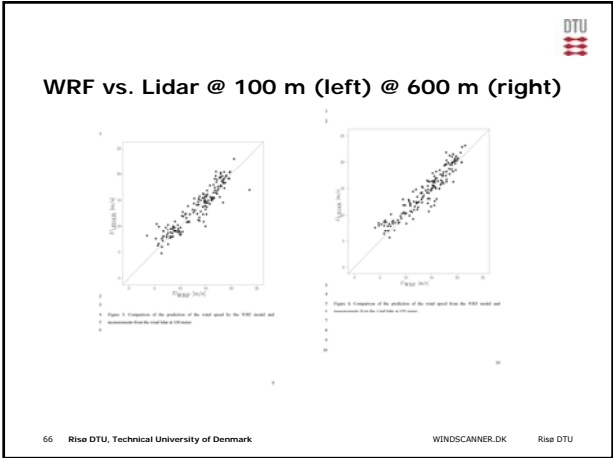
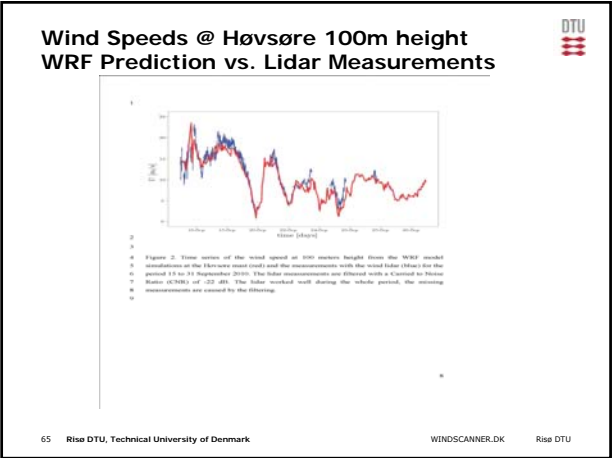
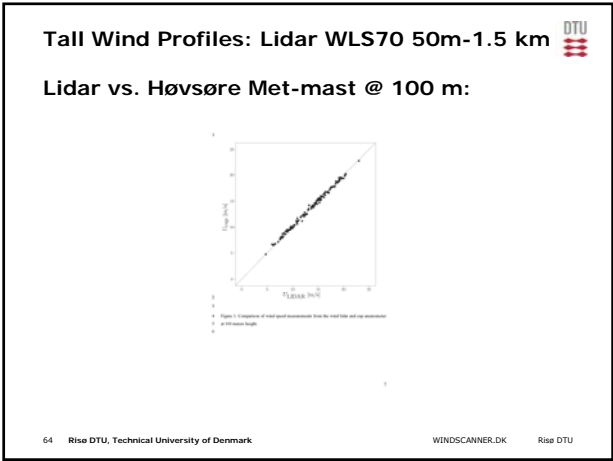
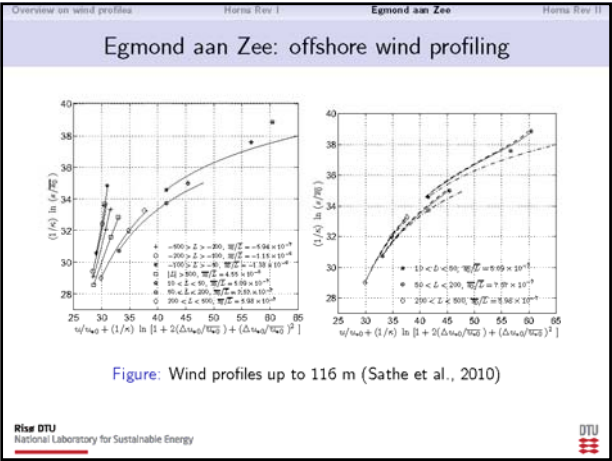
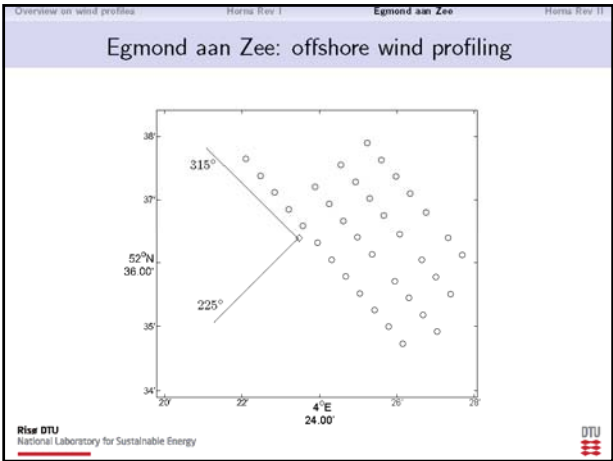
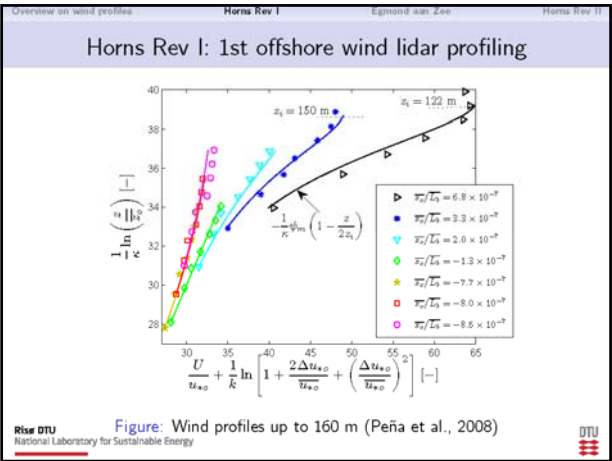
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### WRF Profiles vs. Met-mast/Lidar @ 10-600m

Friction velocity  $u_*$  from WRF.  
Binned according to Atm. Stability.

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Spinner integrated upwind looking wind lidar

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1980 – 1985


Norwegian oil companies requested services for:

- Construction /
- Design criteria


From 1985

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- Ocean forecasts

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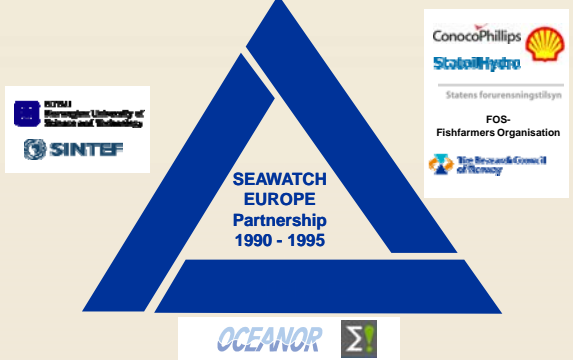
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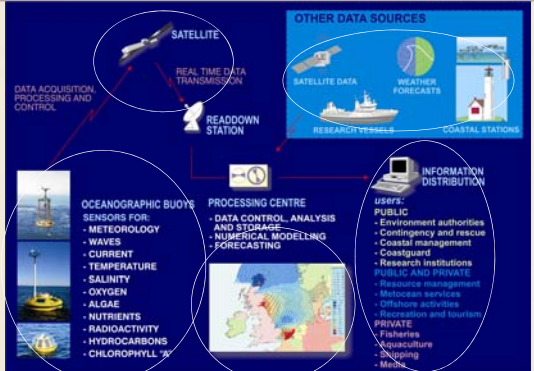
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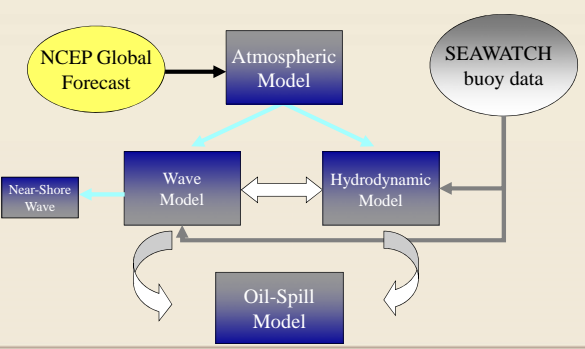
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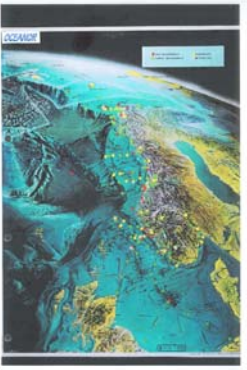
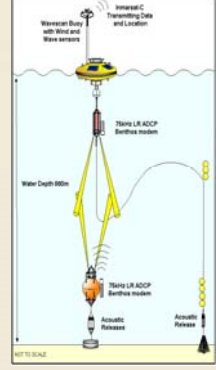


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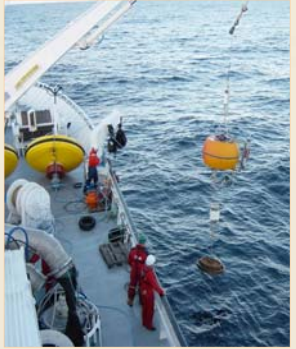

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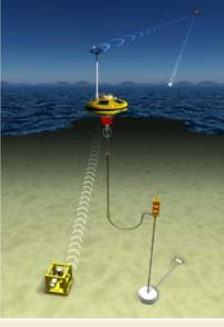
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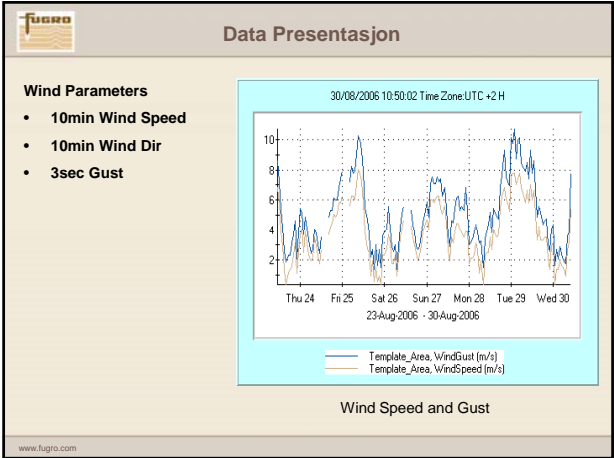
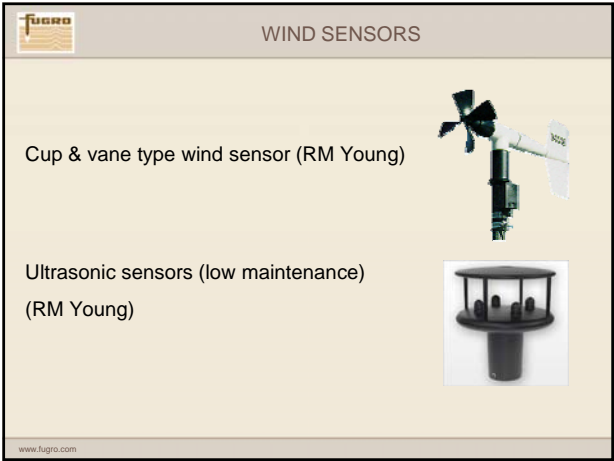
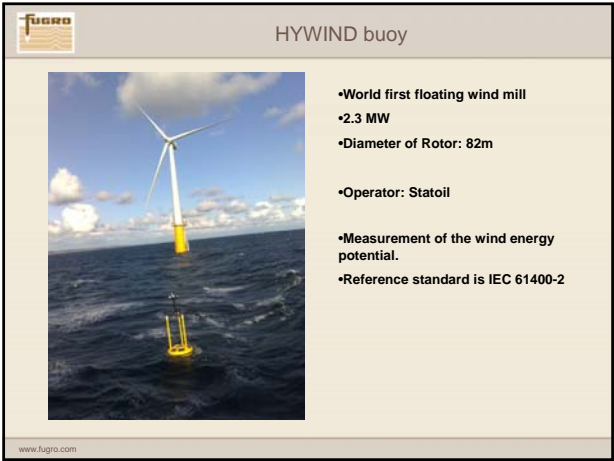
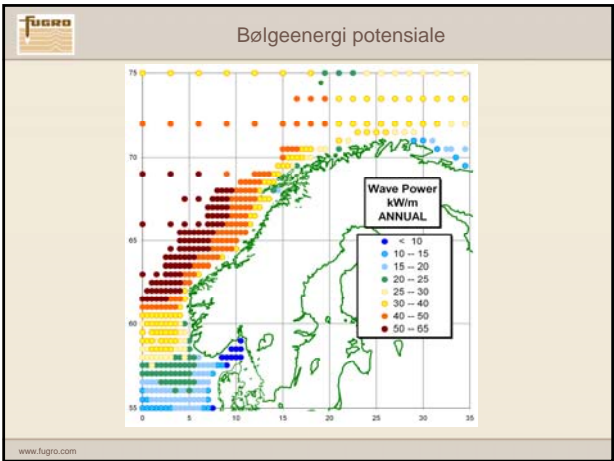
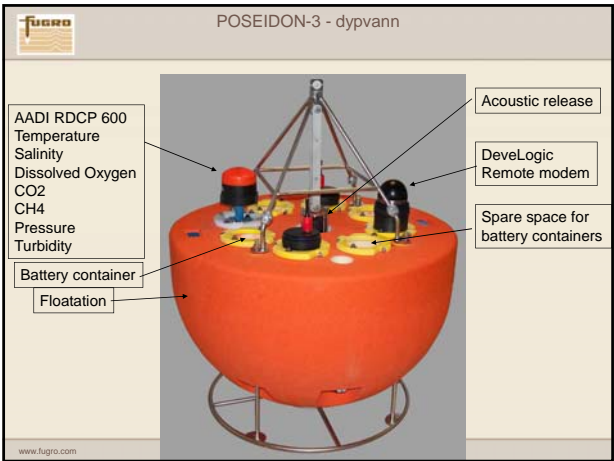


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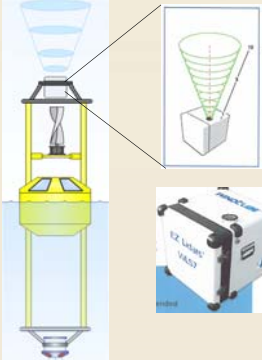
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- Vertical stable platform
- Power consumption

Solutions

- Increased power production
- Buoy design
- High frequency sampling
- Multiparameter
- Inertial measurement Unit (IMU)




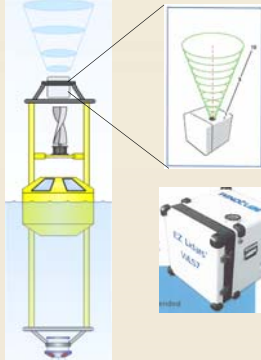
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  - Energy demand
- Strategy/Solutions
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## Effects of ocean waves

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## Introduction

### Effects of ocean waves on offshore wind power production

- Direct effects:
  - Forces on fixed and floating structures
  - Hydrodynamic forces (drag and inertia)
  - Slamming of free surface (breaking waves)
  - Generation of spray and air bubbles
- Indirect effects:
  - Influence of waves on atmospheric boundary layer
  - Influence of waves on the ocean
- Effect on measurements



## Direct effect of waves

- Oscillatory forcing on structure / mooring
- Inertial forces and turbulent drag due to mean current and wave orbital motion (Morison equation etc.)
- Wave breaking / slamming: impulsive loads due to impact of water surface
  - Near-vertical inclination of water surface
  - Breakup of jet ejected from wave crest
  - Sea spray / corrosion, icing
  - Turbulence / air bubbles



## Wave effects via atmospheric boundary layer

- Effect on turbulence (drag coefficient, aerodynamic roughness)
- Influence of atmospheric stability
- Oscillatory motions
- Critical layer effect
- Second-order mean flow, wave-induced wind
- Internal waves in boundary layer
- Coupling via dynamics (structural, electrical system)



## Wave modelling techniques (examples)

- Direct numerical simulation (DNS); large eddy simulation (LES)
- Boundary integral methods (compute interface only)
- Spectral representation: radiative transfer equations
- Dimensions: 2 spatial, 2 in Fourier space
- Include terms for wave energy input from wind, nonlinear transfer, energy dissipation
- Wave refraction and ray tracing models





## Effect on measurements

Waves on the air–sea interface affect the measurement of parameters and flow variables in a number of ways:

- Via the waves' effect on the turbulent flow, as roughness elements or by extracting momentum from the flow in other ways
- By moving the instrument platform about, so that platform-based fluid velocity and other measurements must be corrected for
- By inducing oscillatory motions in the atmosphere and the ocean, thereby corrupting averaged quantities measured from a moving platform

## Turbulent boundary layer

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

- $u_* = (\tau / \rho_a)^{1/2}$  = friction velocity
- Turbulent wind stress  $\tau = \rho_a u_*^2 = \rho_a C_D(z) [U(z)]^2$
- $C_D(z)$  = drag coefficient referred to height  $z$
- $\rho_a$  = air density
- $\kappa \approx 0.4$  = von Kármán constant
- $z_0$  = roughness length

## Marine boundary layer

Turbulent drag coefficient / roughness length reduced with respect to land conditions:

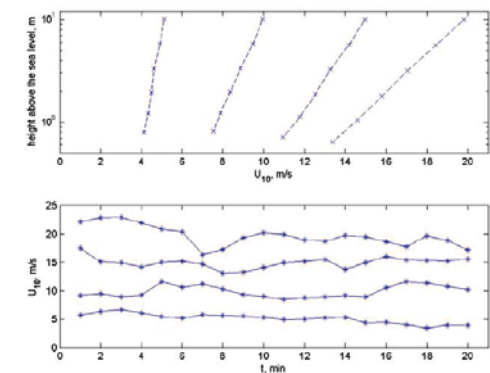
- Roughness elements are surface gravity-capillary waves (wind waves)
- The longer/larger wave components travel with the wind, and give a kind of 'slip' boundary condition

## Henry Charnock (1955)

- Roughness elements are short gravity waves
- Relevant parameters:
  - friction velocity  $u_*$
  - accel. due to gravity  $g$
- $z_0 = \alpha u_*^2 / g$
- Charnock coefficient  $\alpha \approx 0.014$

Next slide: logarithmic velocity profile and wind gustiness measured by Babanin and Makin (2008)

BABANIN AND MAKIN: WIND TREND AND GUSTINESS ON SEA DRAG





## Vertical momentum flux (in air or water)

$$\begin{aligned}\tau &= \rho u_*^2 = -\rho \langle u'w' \rangle \quad (\text{Reynolds stress}) \\ &= -\rho \langle (u_t + u_w)(w_t + w_w) \rangle \\ &= \rho C_D(z) [U(z)]^2\end{aligned}$$

$\langle \cdot \rangle$  : average

$\langle \cdot \rangle_t$  : turbulent,  $\langle \cdot \rangle_w$  : correlated with wave motions

$C_D$  = drag coefficient

## Miles theory for wave generation and wave-induced momentum flux

- J. W. Miles (1957): Wave growth rate determined by curvature of  $U(z)$  at the critical level  $z_c$  where the wind velocity is equal to the wave phase velocity  $c$
- At  $z_c$  the wave-induced Reynolds stress  $\tau_w = \rho u_*^2 = -\rho \langle u_w w_w \rangle$  has a singularity (for a single wave component)

Next slide: example of modelled wave-induced oscillatory motions in the airflow, showing singular behaviour at  $z = z_c$

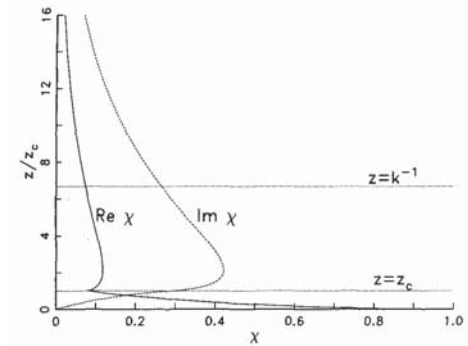
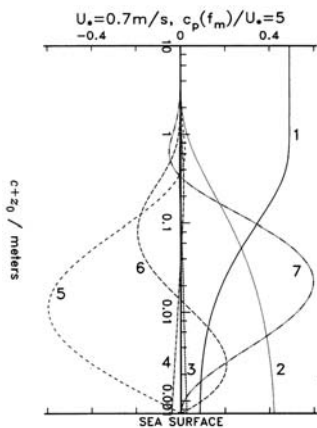


FIG. 4. Example of the solution of the Rayleigh equation for a square root velocity profile,  $K = 0.15$ .

(Jenkins 1993)



Various contributions to modelled vertical momentum flux (Jenkins 1992). Above the region of wave influence it is turbulent Reynolds stress (1); near the surface is mostly pressure—surface slope covariance (2)

## Wave and turbulent stress computed by Makin (2008)

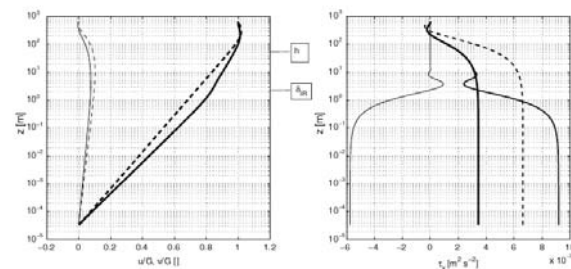
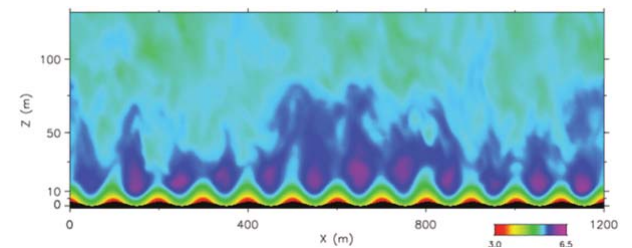


Fig. 1 Left. Wind-speed components. Thick solid line— $u$ -component; thin solid line— $v$ -component; swell is present,  $\alpha_c = -0.62$  ( $C_D = -500$ ,  $AK = 0.05$ ). Thick dashed line— $u$ -component; thin dashed line— $v$ -component, no swell. Right. Stress components (only  $x$ -axis components are shown). Thick solid line—total stress; medium solid—turbulent stress; thin solid—wave-induced stress, swell is present. Dashed line—turbulent stress, no swell. The heights of the inner region  $\delta_{IR}$  and the atmospheric surface layer  $h$  are shown by horizontal lines crossing the vertical axis



Large-eddy simulation modelling above waves (Edson et al. 2007)



## Increased momentum flux over breaking waves

- M. Banner (1990): laboratory experiments showed that air pressure perturbations (leading to wave growth) are greater over breaking waves
- Drag coefficient and wave age:
  - 'Charnock coefficient' depends on sea state
  - 'Wave age'  $c_p/u_*$  is an important parameter
  - $c_p$  is the phase speed of the dominant waves
  - $C_D$  increases as wave age decreases, but decreases again for the 'youngest' waves (the shortest fetches)

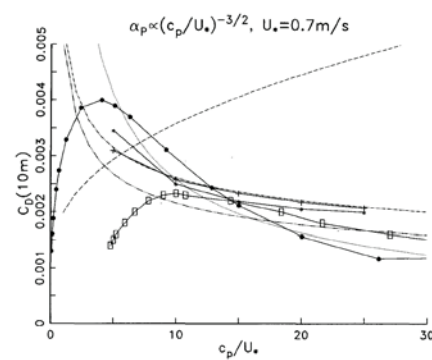


FIG. 16. Drag coefficient for  $z = 10$  m with Phillips parameter  $\alpha_p = 0.57(c_p/U_*)^{-3/2}$  and friction velocity  $U_* = 0.7$  m s<sup>-1</sup>. Solid lines: Model results. With solid circles, present model; with asterisks, Janssen (1989); with plus signs, Jenkins (1992); with rectangles, Nordeng (1991); dotted line: curve fitted by Goormaat et al. (1987) to field experimental results with a range of values of  $U_*$ ; close dashed line (long dashes): from the relation of Toba and colleagues [Toba and Koga 1986, Eqs. (9) and (10)]; dash-dotted line: from HEXMAX measurements (Maat et al. 1991); dash-and-three-dots line: from Lake Ontario measurements (Donelan 1990).

(Jenkins 1993)

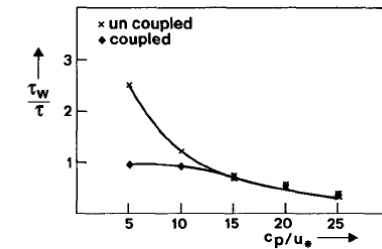
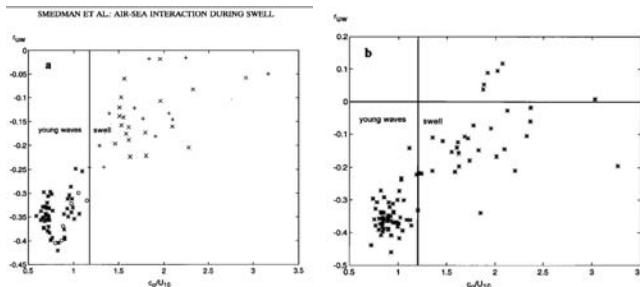
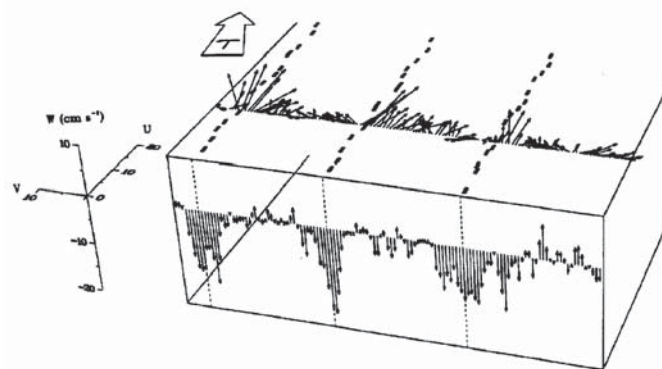


FIG. 5. Reduction of wave-induced stress due to the quasi-linear coupling of wind and waves. Crosses denote the normalized wave stress calculated from the wind profile in the absence of the long waves and diamonds denote results when there is equilibrium between wind and waves.

(P. A. E. M. Janssen 1987)



(Smedman et al. 1999)



Circulations in ocean observed from FLIP platform (Weller et al., Science, 1985)

## Wave modelling

- Directional spectral models, based on radiative transfer equations for surface gravity waves
- Wave energy input from wind, dissipation by wave breaking etc.
- WAM, SWAN
- Publically available code
- WAM run operationally by met.no
- Coupling with mesoscale meteorological model (WRF)
- Lower boundary conditions for CFD models?



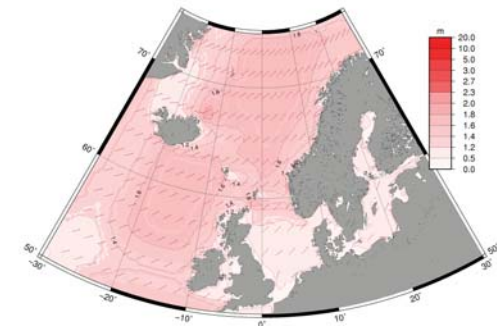
## Spectral wave models in NORCOWE

- WAM (K. & S. Hasselmann, G. Komen): global/regional
  - Computes roughness/drag coefficient/wave stress for atmospheric boundary conditions (P.A.E.M. Janssen ECMWF)
  - Straightforward to set up for nesting
- SWAN (developed T.U. Delft)
  - More suitable for near-coastal regions, shallow water
  - May be nested, and can use WAM output at open boundaries

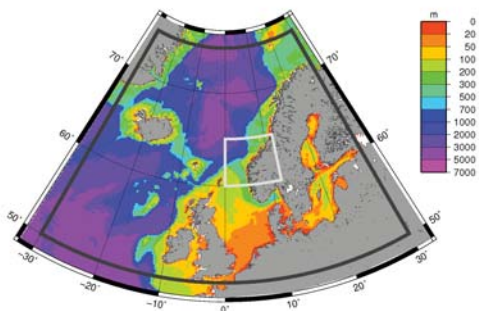
## Incorporation of wave modelling system

- At large scales: WAM with nesting
- At smaller scales and near coast: SWAN (can be nested with WAM)
- Atmospheric forcing: WRF mesoscale non-hydrostatic model
- Coupling scheme: MCEL (J. Michalakis, NCAR)
  - can choose which variables are exchanged between models
  - automatically accounts for spatial and temporal discretisations which differ between the various models.

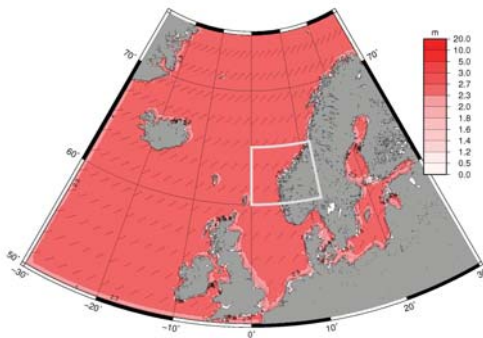
Testing WAM wave model—swell after 24h,  
wind from SW, 14.1 m/s



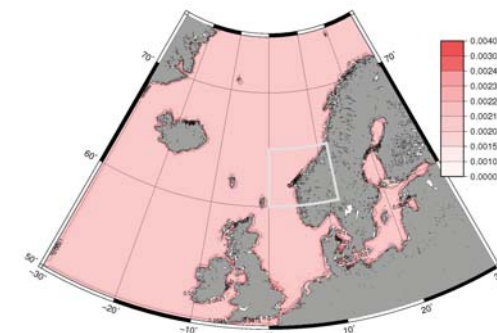
Testing WAM wave model—nested domains



WAM wave model—total significant wave height

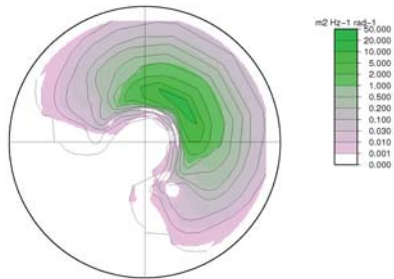


WAM wave model—drag coefficient at sea surface

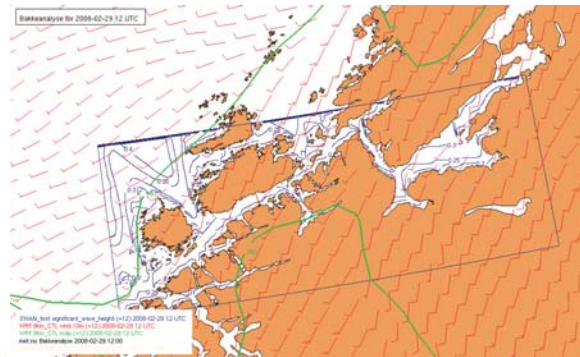




### WAM wave model—spectrum at 65°N, 0°E (log. frequency range, 0.04–0.4 Hz)



### Test results, significant wave height from SWAN model, Trondheimsfjorden



### Other types of coupling with wave motions

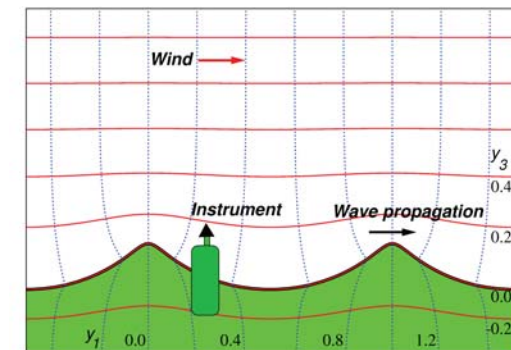
- Coupling to fixed and floating structures:
  - Linear response can use wave spectra directly
  - Nonlinear response may require simulation of time series
  - Slamming from breaking wave crests etc. requires suitable modelling of the behaviour of the free surface
- Sea bottom (oscillatory and mean currents, scour/sediment transport)
  - Calculation of wave orbital velocities and momentum flux / wave-induced mean flow may be required
- For CFD modelling at fine scale:
  - Simulation of wave time series may be required
  - Wave-induced atmospheric oscillations, involving critical-level behaviour
  - How to specify lower boundary in 'rectangular' computational domains

### Motion corrections I

- Interpretation of observations near the sea surface can be difficult in the presence of surface waves and the associated motions of the air and water
- If measurements are made from a platform which moves with the waves etc. it is necessary to correct velocity observations for the motions of the platform
- Wind lidar instruments will be particularly affected by tilt motions which will significantly alter the position of the target at up to several hundred metres altitude.

### Motion corrections II

- Averaged quantities, such as mean current, turbulent fluxes of momentum, heat, and mass, etc., may be systematically affected by correlations between the velocity of the platform and its position.
- Ocean current observations are particularly subject to contamination from the movement of, for example, a surface-following mooring buoy or ADCP platform (e.g., R. T. Pollard 1982).
- The possible errors in these quantities should be estimated - if they are not too great one may be able to use analytical expressions (perturbation theory) for the corrections





## Correction for instrument platform motion I

(Edson et al., J. Atmos. Ocean. Technol., 1998)

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{u}_{\text{obs}} + \boldsymbol{\Omega}_{\text{obs}} \times \mathbf{R}) + \mathbf{V}_{\text{mot}}$$

where

$\mathbf{u}$  is the true velocity

$\mathbf{u}_{\text{obs}}$  is the observed velocity

$\boldsymbol{\Omega}_{\text{obs}} = \begin{pmatrix} \dot{\phi}_{\text{obs}} \\ \dot{\theta}_{\text{obs}} \\ -\dot{\psi}_{\text{obs}} \end{pmatrix}$  is the angular velocity vector of the motion package

## Correction for instrument platform motion II

$\mathbf{R}$  is the position vector of the sensor with respect to the motion package

$\mathbf{V}_{\text{mot}}$  is the velocity of the motion package

$\mathbf{T}$  is the transformation matrix between the platform coordinate system and the reference coordinates

## Correction of fluxes for second-order mean motions I

- (Jenkins 2007, in 'The Air–Sea Interface')
- (Notation employs cofactors  $K$  of the Jacobian transformation from curvilinear 'platform-based' coordinates  $y$  and rectangular coordinates  $x = y + \xi$ . Concentration is  $C$  and flux is  $F$ .)
- We consider fluctuating quantities to first order in the coordinate displacement or wave slope, and mean second-order quantities.
- For a conservative quantity in a quasi-steady state with a basically vertically-directed flux (heat, horizontal momentum, moisture etc.)

## Correction of fluxes for second-order mean motions II

$$\overline{K_{m3}[C(\bar{u}_m - x_{m,t}) + F_m]} = \overline{K_{13}[C(u_1 - x_{1,t}) + F_1]} + \overline{K_{33}[C(u_3 - x_{3,t})]} = \text{constant},$$

Then if we substitute  $u_1^{\bar{y}} = \bar{u}_1 + u_1'$ ,  $u_3^{\bar{y}} = u_3$ ,  $C^{\bar{y}} = \bar{C} + C'$ ,  $F_1^{\bar{y}} = F_1'$ , and  $F_3^{\bar{y}} = \bar{F}_3 + F_3'$ , and neglect averaged products of more than two fluctuating quantities, we obtain:

$$\bar{F}_3 + \bar{F}_3' \xi_{3,3} - \bar{F}_1' \xi_{3,1} + \bar{C}[(u_3' - \xi_{3,t})\xi_{3,3} - (u_1' - \xi_{1,t})\xi_{3,1}] + \bar{C}'(u_3' - \xi_{3,t} - \bar{u}_1 \xi_{3,1}) = \text{constant}.$$

## Concluding remarks I

- To constrain offshore wind power development costs, it is important to characterize the marine boundary layer and ocean conditions
- Surface waves affect the physical properties of the ocean and atmosphere: they can act as roughness elements for turbulent flow in the marine atmospheric boundary layer, but the effective roughness length is reduced because the waves propagate with the wind
- The vertical flux of momentum can be determined by the Charnock relation with a friction velocity (or wind speed) dependent roughness length. The parameter in the relation depends on the wave age

## Concluding remarks II

- **Field observations** in the wave-induced boundary layer may be challenging
- It is often necessary to use measurement platforms which move with the sea surface
- Air/water velocities may be corrected for if motion sensors are available
- Other problems: Flow distortion by measurement platform structure (may use e.g. CFD model to evaluate/correct)
- Additional problem: bias in average velocity (wind/current) and fluxes (momentum, heat) due to platform motion - correction of this may require perturbation expansion of flow field to second order in wave slope known problem for current measurements



### Concluding remarks III

- For **instrument platforms subject to wave motion**, corrections of the observations are essential for velocity and some other quantities
- Averaged winds, currents, turbulent fluxes may in addition have biases due to correlation between platform and oceanic/atmospheric motions which may need to be taken into account
- It is anticipated that ocean currents/turbulence and wind lidar observations from moving platforms may be significantly affected by these phenomena

### Concluding remarks IV

- **Types of model** which may be employed to investigate wave effects:
  - Spectral wave prediction model of type WAM, SWAN
  - Wave model for small scales, simulating individual waves, diffraction by structures
  - Turbulent boundary-layer model
  - Iterative model of linear (Orr-Sommerfeld equation) and second-order response of turbulent boundary layer to wave motions
  - CFD simulations, accounting for wave-induced perturbations at lower boundary
  - Ocean circulation models, for tides/currents/marine ecology

### Concluding remarks V

- **Model validation**
  - The models need to be evaluated using dedicated field observations.
  - It is important to conduct observations which may elucidate the phase relations between the wave-induced movements of the sea surface and those induced in the atmosphere
  - The effects on the ocean circulation also need to be accounted for: wind turbine structures may affect marine ecological processes



## **C2) Met-ocean conditions**

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A comparison of Sonic Anemometer- and lidar-sensed wind velocity data at Frøya test site, PhD stud Fabio Pierella, NTNU

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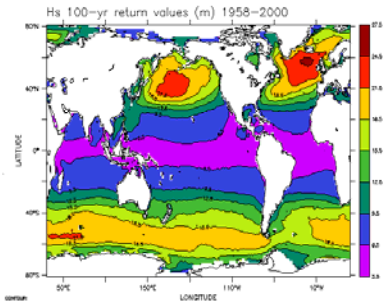
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## Outline

- Motivation
- NORA10 - Norwegian Reanalysis 10km
- Extreme Value Theory
  - Generalized Extreme Value Distribution
  - Generalized Pareto Distribution
- Results - Hs100 estimates from three models
  - Comparison/discrepancy
  - Model diagnostics
  - Is there a local Hs100 minimum in the central Norwegian Sea?
- Conclusions

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## Motivation



Caires and Sterl, 2005

- [www.knmi.nl/waveatlas/](http://www.knmi.nl/waveatlas/)

- Hs100 estimates:
- based on the global ERA40-reanalysis
  - peaks-over-threshold/exponential fit
  - calibrated with obs.

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## Model setup NORA10

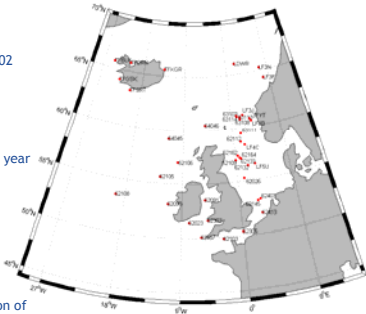
- Nested model:
  - WAM50/ERA40
  - WAM10/HIRLAM10
- Digital filter between ERA40/HIRLAM10
  - Maintain large-scale features
  - Resolve polar lows
- Ice edge updated weekly
- Output:
  - 248\*400 gridpoints
  - 10 km resolution
  - 3-hourly data (1958-2009)
  - Integrated wave parameters
  - Wave spectra



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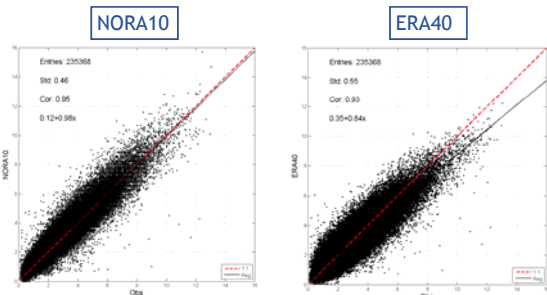
## Validation with observations

- 40 Buoys / platforms
- 6 hourly data: Aug. 1991 - Aug. 2002
- 4 hour means ( $\pm 2h$  windows)
- Variable length (0-10 years)
- Data contain gaps
- Non-uniform data coverage over a year
- Collocated with ERA40-data
- Retain data within
  - $\pm 0.2^\circ$  of the median lat
  - $\pm 0.4^\circ$  of the median lon
- NORA10:
  - Closest grid point of median lat/lon of obs.



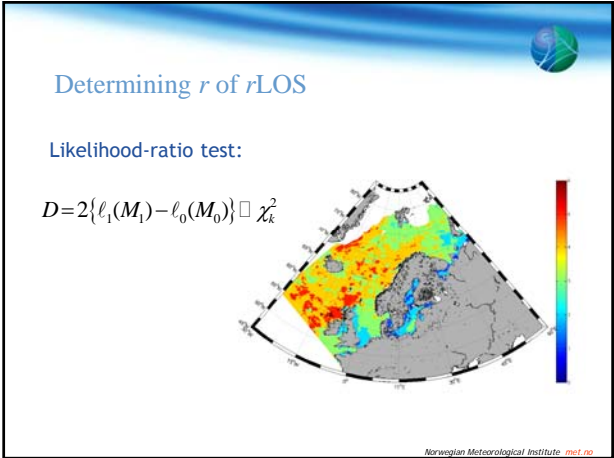
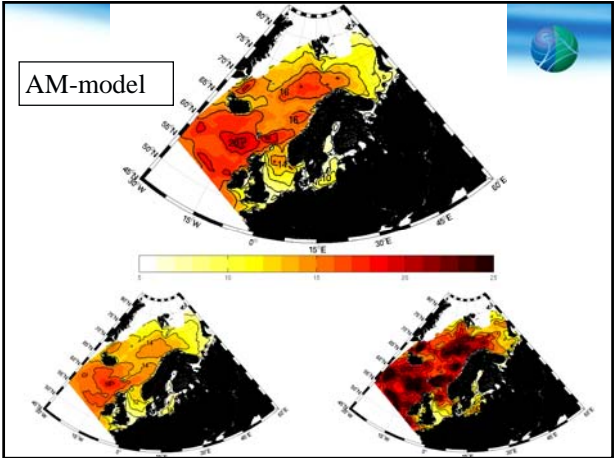
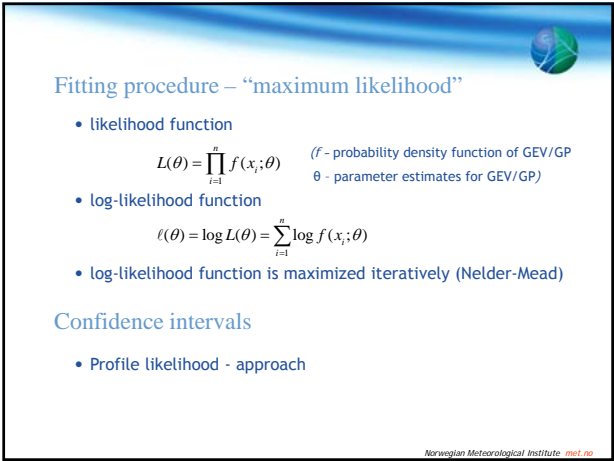
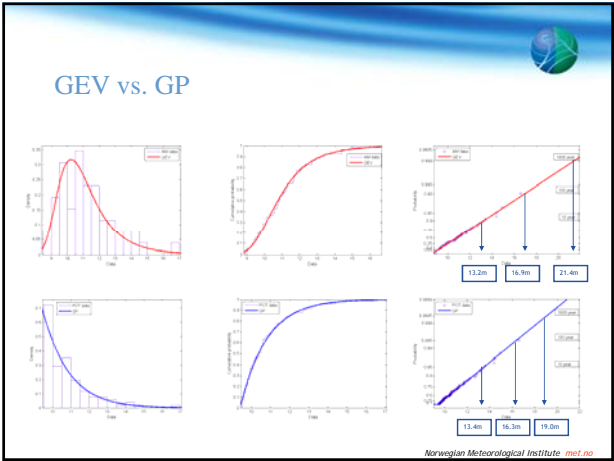
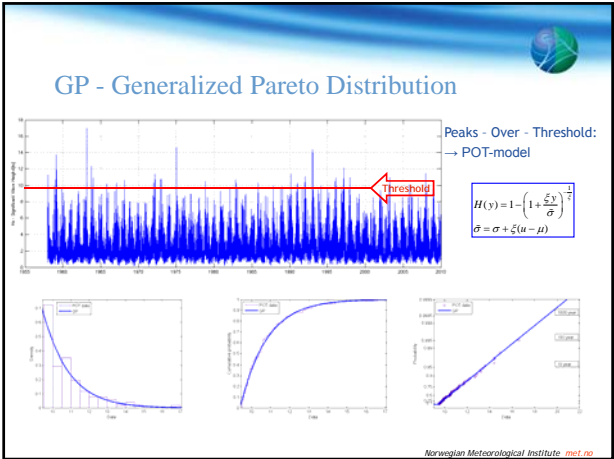
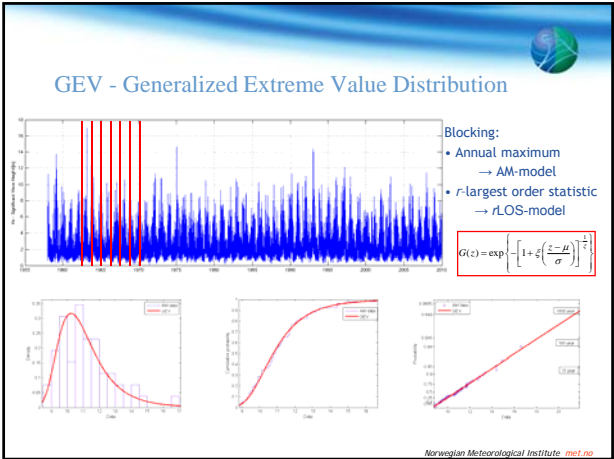
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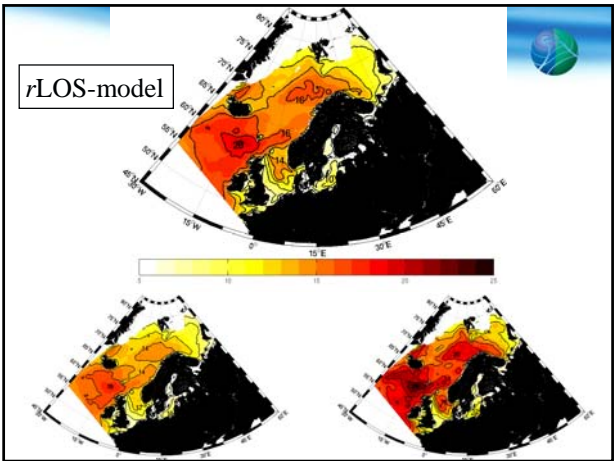


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Setting the threshold in POT

Visually:

- Mean residual life plots
- Return value plots

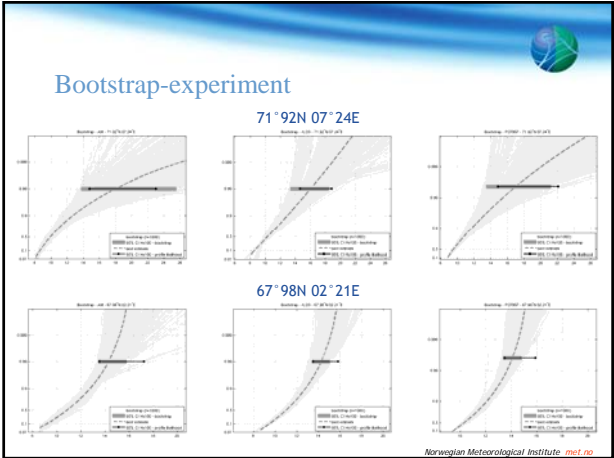
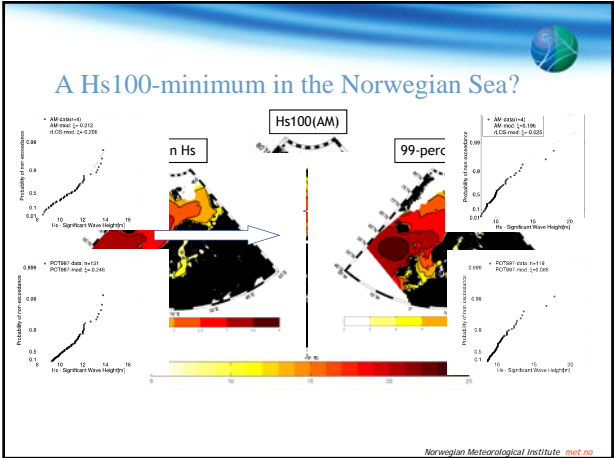
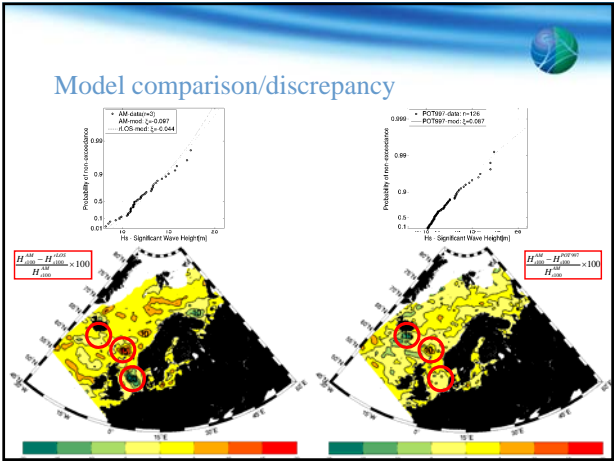
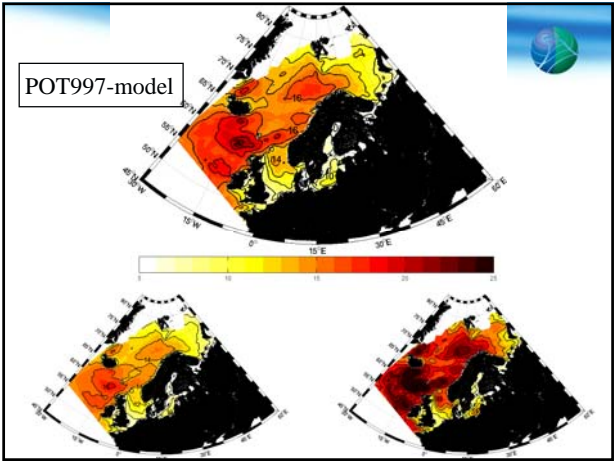
Goodness-of-fit tests:

- Kolmogorov-Smirnov
- Anderson-Darling

$$u, \frac{1}{n_u} \sum_{i=1}^{n_u} (x_{(i)} - u)$$

Threshold set at the 99.7-percentile of the initial data – POT997

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## Conclusions

- We have obtained Hs100 estimates for the Northeast Atlantic using three different data subsets, i.e. the AM, the rLOS and the POT based on a hindcast
- Overall, the best fit is obtained with the AM and the POT997
- Paradox: Bigger subsets  $\rightarrow$  higher "confidence"  $\rightarrow$  not necessarily a better fit
- However, provided conformity between model and data, the biggest data subset is recommended
- Unlike the general wave climate, we find evidence for a local minimum in the Hs100 estimates in the central Norwegian Sea (further work)

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Thank you!





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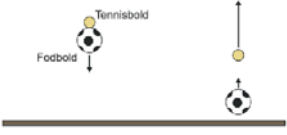
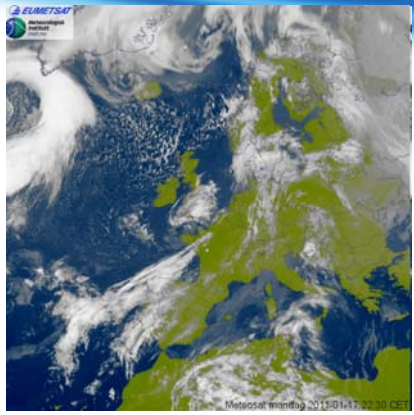
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## Hywind forecasting project

- Meteorologisk Institutt, Kjeller Vindteknikk and Statoil
- Project start September 1, 2009
- 28 month duration
- Provide reliable forecasts for wind, waves, currents and production during installation and operation of the Hywind turbine
- Validation and development


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## Numerical weather prediction

- Observations
- Prognoses
- Subjective analysis

Observations are distributed internationally through WMO's Global Telecommunication System (GTS)

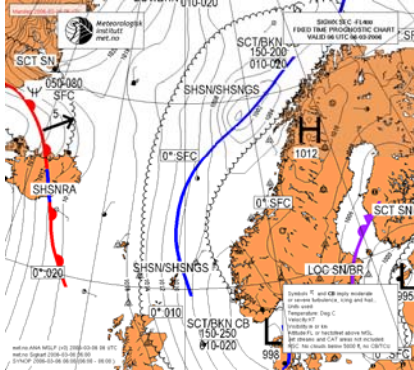


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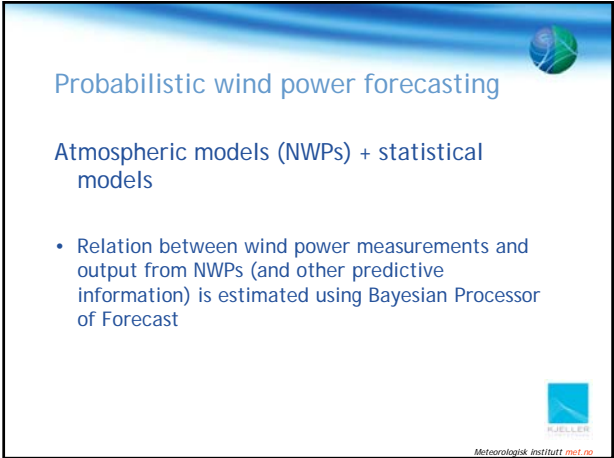
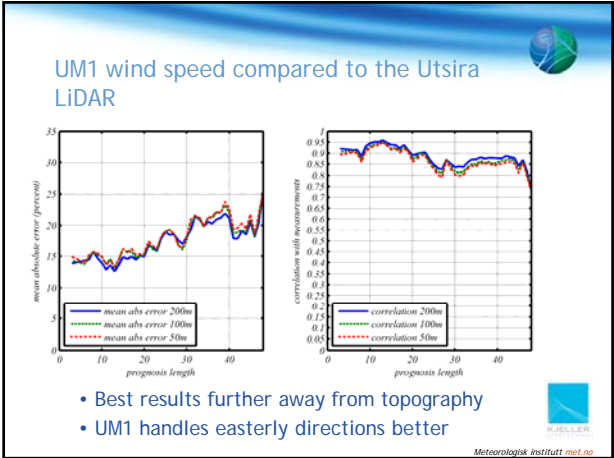
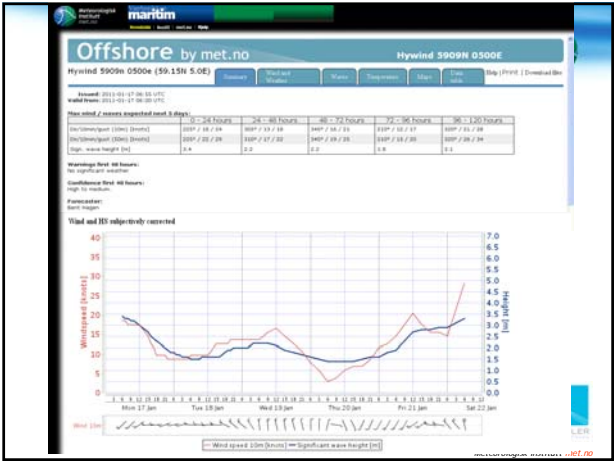
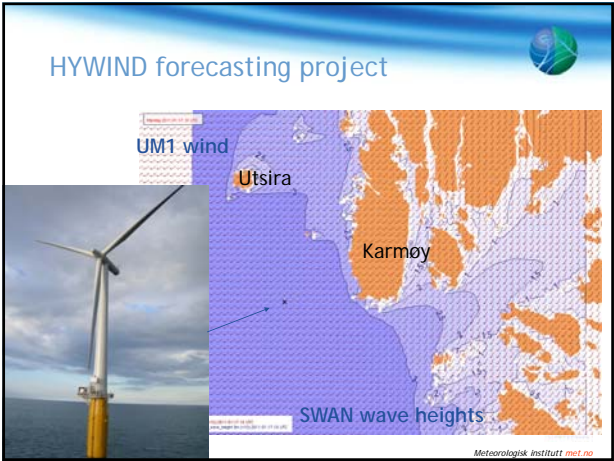
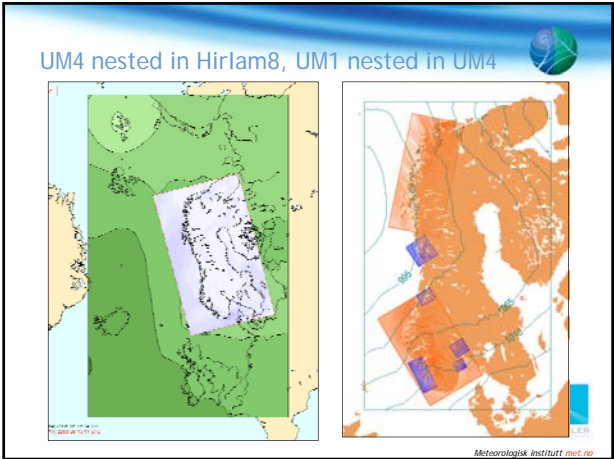
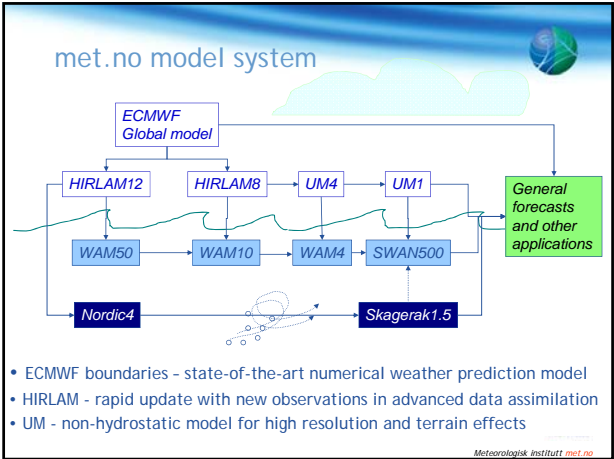
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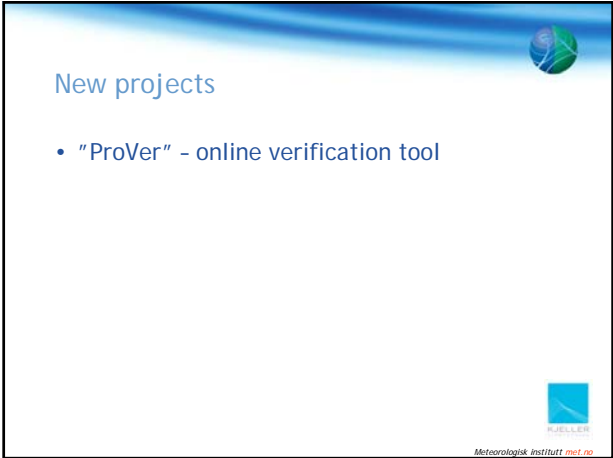
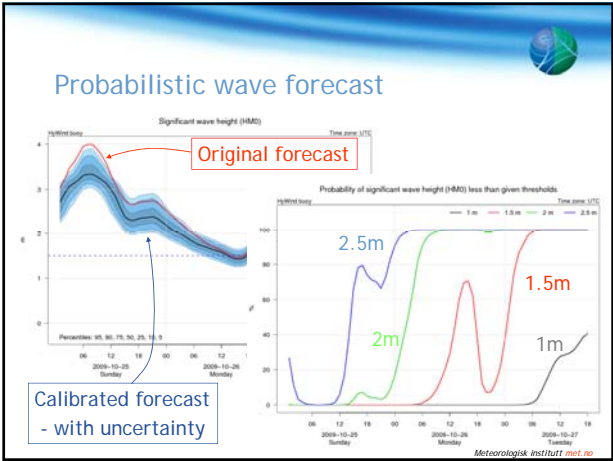
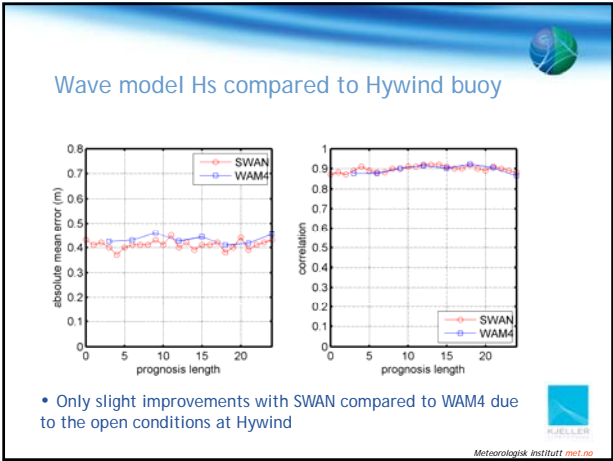
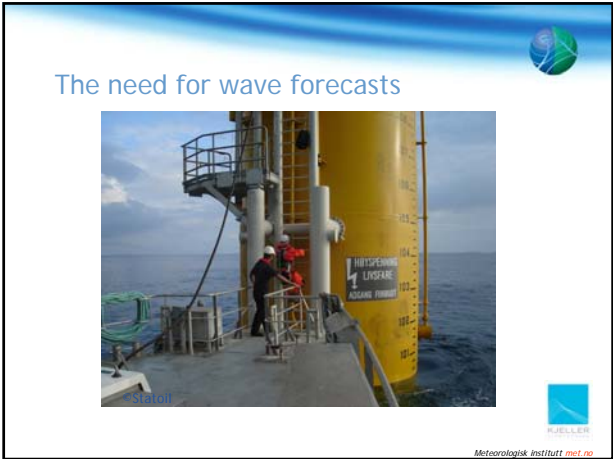
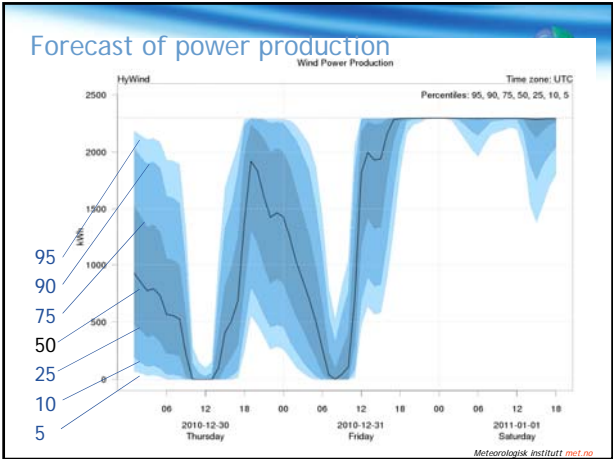
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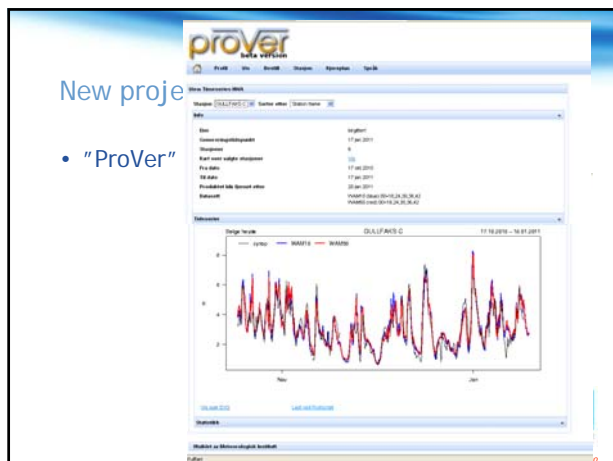












New projects

- "ProVer" - online verification tool
- "Nye Kilden" - online presentation and data access for advanced users
- ICEWIND - improved forecast of wind, waves and icing
  - 4 year project under Nordic Energy Research - Integration of large-scale wind power




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## Purpose of the work

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

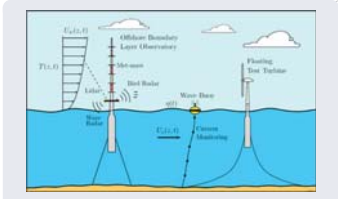



Figure 1: Offshore Wind measurements



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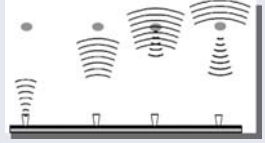


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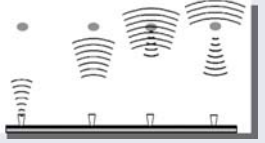


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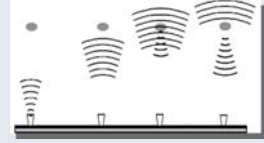


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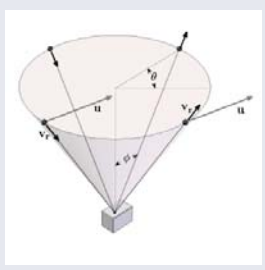


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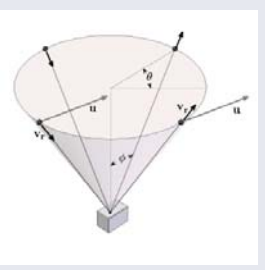


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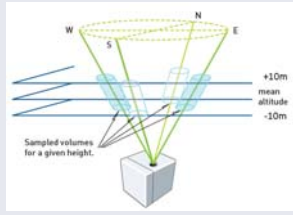


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### Comparison: reasons and challenges

Wind Cube	Sonic Anemometers
— Remote measurements (Avg. space/time)	— Direct measurements, high quality
— Quality of signal depends on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Aerosol concentration</li><li>• Rain</li><li>• Wind turbulence</li></ul>	— Quality of signal depends on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Shading of the Mast</li><li>• Snow/Icing on sensor</li></ul>

Data processing and filtering

- $SNR_{WC} > -10$  and **built-in** WindCube filters
- 10-minutes averages valid if  $N_{DataRec} > 50\%$
- Mast Effect on Sonic Anemometer was removed



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— Quality of signal depends on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Aerosol concentration</li><li>• Rain</li><li>• Wind turbulence</li></ul>	— Quality of signal depends on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Shading of the Mast</li><li>• Snow/Icing on sensor</li></ul>

Data processing and filtering

- $SNR_{WC} > -10$  and **built-in** WindCube filters
- 10-minutes averages valid if  $N_{DataRec} > 50\%$
- Mast Effect on Sonic Anemometer was removed



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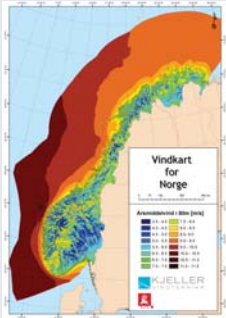



Figure 9: Norway Wind Map



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Figure 10: Frøya Island



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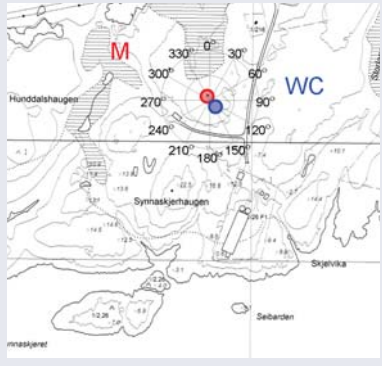


Figure 12: View from the mast

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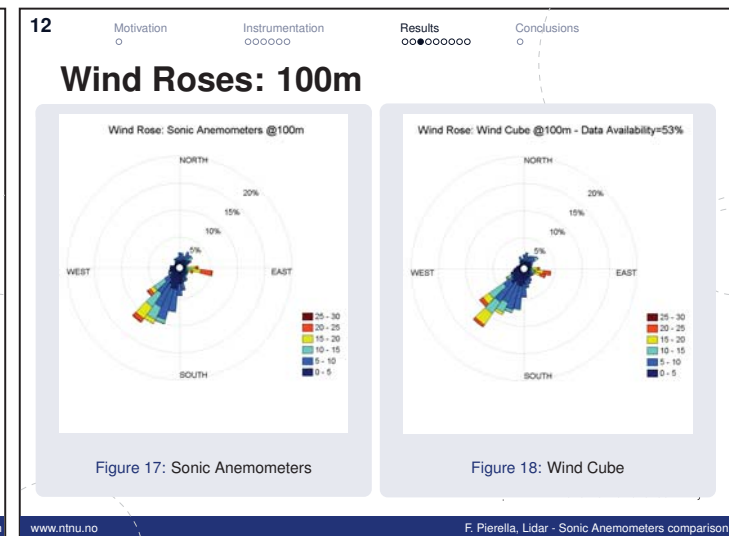
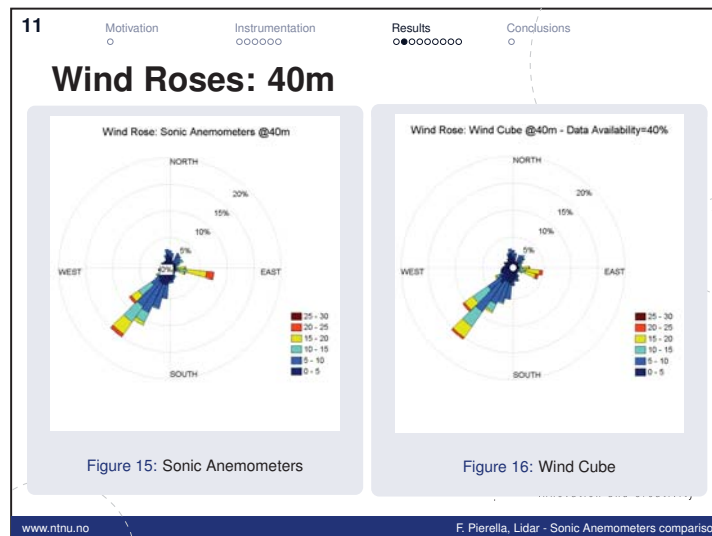
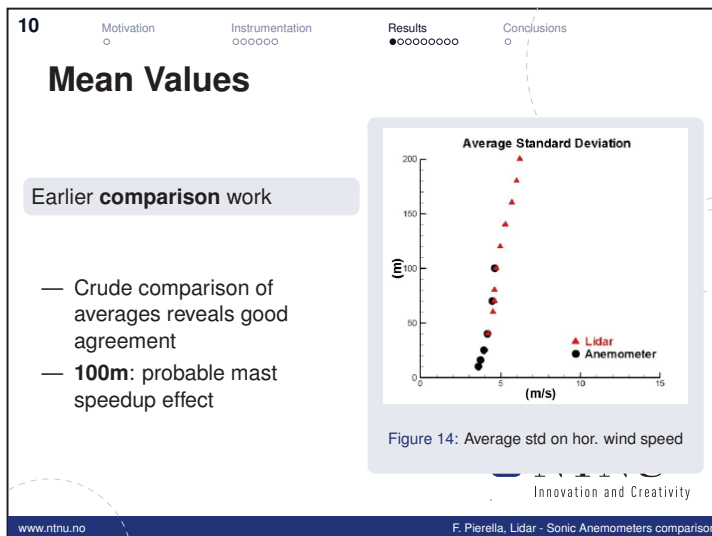
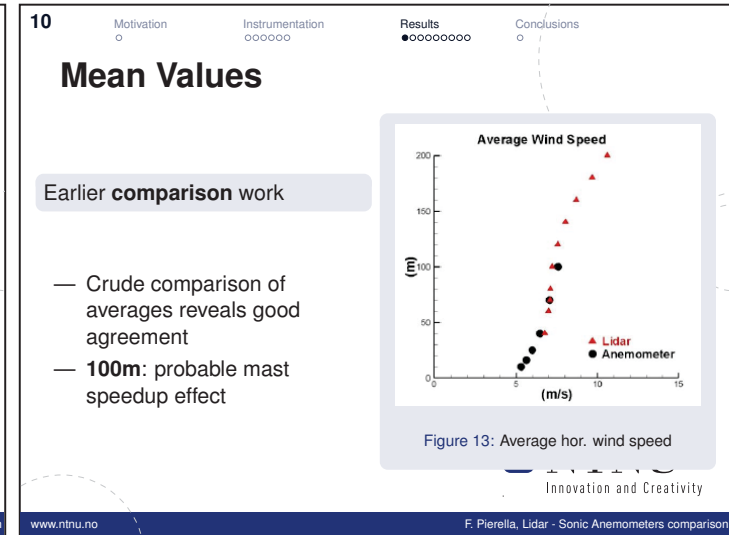
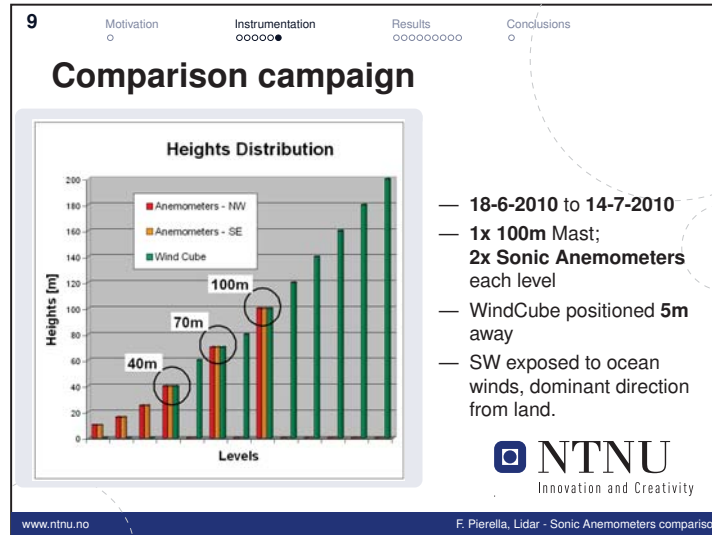
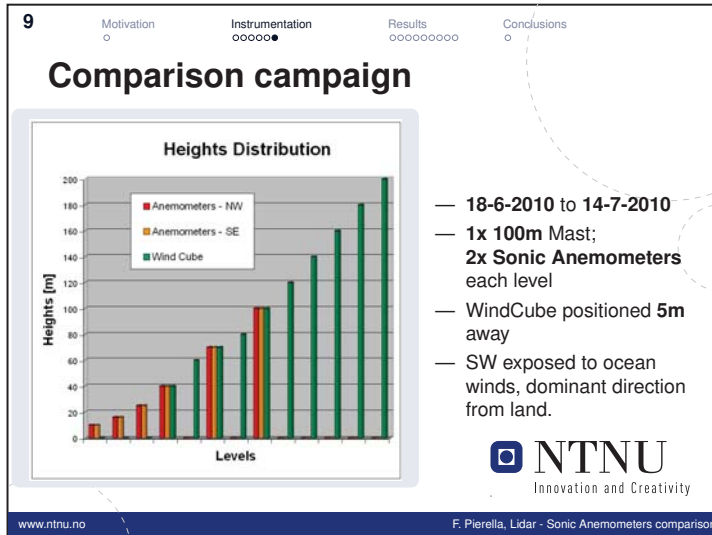


- 18-6-2010 to 14-7-2010
- 1x 100m Mast;
- 2x Sonic Anemometers each level
- WindCube positioned 5m away
- SW exposed to ocean winds, dominant direction from land.

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Angle: single reading correlation

Figure 19: 40m - single reading, angle

Figure 20: 100m - single reading, angle

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Horizontal speed: single reading correlation

Figure 21: 40m single reading, magnitude

Figure 22: 100m - single reading, magnitude

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Angle: 10m avg correlation

Figure 23: 40m single reading, angle

Figure 24: 100m - 10 min avg., angle

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Horizontal speed: 10m avg correlation

Figure 25: 40m single reading, magnitude

Figure 26: 100m - 10 min avg., magnitude

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Resume: coefficients

Type	Single/Average	Height	m	q	R <sup>2</sup>
Angle	Single	40m	1	-0.75	0.97
Angle	Average	40m	0.95	4.73	0.94
Magnitude	Single	40m	0.95	0.41	0.91
Magnitude	Average	40m	0.96	0.17	0.99

Type	Single/Average	Height	m	q	R <sup>2</sup>
Angle	Single	100m	1	-1.30	0.96
Angle	Average	100m	0.97	2.76	0.95
Magnitude	Single	100m	0.97	0.31	0.93
Magnitude	Average	100m	0.97	0.16	0.99

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Resume: Data availability

Type	Height	Data Availability (%)
Single	40m	40%
Average	40m	53%
Single	100m	37.74%
Average	100m	51%

Filters applied

— Single reading SNR > -10dB

— N<sub>DataRec</sub> > 50%, for each 10 min

— Outliers removed from fit [Montgomery, 1998]

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IDERMAR's goal is to develop research and development projects in the offshore energy field.

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OBJECTIVES

IDERMAR's goal consists in the creation and channeling of innovative ideas in the offshore energy field all along their life cycle:

- Design and creation of ideas
- Search for Partners to develop ideas
- Development of intellectual property
- Prototypes manufacturing
- Processing and negotiation of experimental parks
- Acquisition of certificates
- Distribution and marketing of the final product

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SODERCAN Group is a collection of public companies dedicated to the promotion and active contribution for the creation of a corporate-social environment which favors investments in the industry field and develops innovative and competitive improvement, and by doing this, to generate social and environmental value among companies, administration and the society in Cantabria.


The responsibility of the SODERCAN Group lies in their capacity to be a promoting element in the economic and social welfare of the region. SODERCAN gives technical and financial support to the projects of corporate innovation and diversification, it helps and advises entrepreneurs, attracts new investments and facilitates the internalization of the companies in Cantabria, as well as the creation of corporate-industry ground of high added value as a way of improving the relationship between citizens and administration.




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HI Cantabria is a mixed research institute between the University of Cantabria and the FIHAC Foundation, where the Government of Cantabria takes part. The Institute's goal is to set itself up as an international referent of basic and applied investigation and the development of studies, methodologies and tools for the management of aquatic ecosystems, including surface and underground continental waters, transition waters and coastal waters.

Among its objectives, the following are included:


- To study in depth the water cycle and its related systems.
- To train top researchers and specialists in the environmental hydraulic field.
- To turn the achievements obtained in the study of the water cycle and related systems into concrete social benefits and to transfer them to society by means of the establishment of solid ways of knowledge transfer, methodologies and tools to the public administrations and national and international companies.
- To develop models, patents and know-how to increase international competitiveness of our companies and of the demanding levels of our administrations.

Among its strategic lines are the investigation and the technological development in the field of renewable sea energies.


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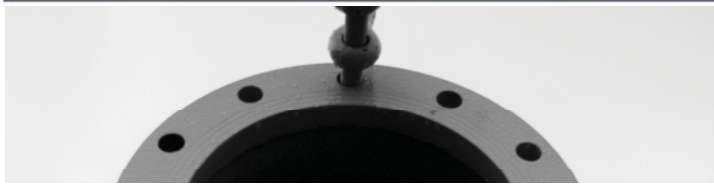


ACTIUM S.A. is the means of investment of the APIAXII Group. ACTIUM invests in infrastructure, building, energy industry and agriculture projects through societies created for the development of their work in these areas. As part of the APIA XXI Group, ACTIUM has a payroll of more than 500 professionals who offers global solutions at national and international levels, by means of investing in the development of projects around Spain, Latin America, Central America and East Europe. IDERMAR project sets ACTIUM activity in two strategic fields for the company: energy and R&D.


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Helium is a company specialized in technologies for energy sustainability, mainly in the wind power field. Its multidisciplinary scope of work allows for the appreciation of different innovative energy technologies as well as for the reduction of the time they take to reach the market by means and services. Helium offers technical assistance to financial institutions, organizations, companies and governments, in the national and international field. Its comprehensive service offer covers the whole life cycle of the project, from Turn-key projects to specific interventions during any state of the project: R&D, design, promotion, project management/monitoring, design and support in the search for financial support, handling of proceedings, etc.

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In response to the Off-shore Wind Market's demands, IDERMAR is developing two business lines, Wind-sea Resources Monitoring Systems and Floating Systems for Off-shore Wind Turbines



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Wind-sea resources monitoring systems



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Floating systems for offshore wind turbines

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BUSINESS LINE I.

WIND-SEA RESOURCES MONITORING SYSTEMS


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- DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES & COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES




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Wind-sea resources monitoring systems

The offshore wind power market demands for the creation of meteorological data monitoring systems that allow the characterization of the wind resource per se and the supervision of the weather conditions associated to the park in exploitation state. The incipient nature of this market opens new opportunities for the development of integrated systems especially adapted to the offshore environment.



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BUSINESS LINE I/CONTEXT

CONTEXT

- The offshore wind resource is experiencing a significant development:
  - Denmark
  - United Kingdom (Round 3)
  - Germany
  - Norway
  - France
  - U.S.
- There is not enough availability of real data taken “in situ” on future locations of offshore wind farms.
- Meteorological data monitoring systems are required to evaluate the wind resource availability and operating conditions in future farms.

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BUSINESS LINE I/MARKET OUTLINE

MARKET OUTLINE

- The offshore wind resource measurement market can be characterized by meeting the following requirements:
  - **WIND FARM RESOURCE MEASUREMENT** in order to assess the viability of the project and enable a robust financial case for investment to be developed
  - **WIND FARM OPERATIONAL MONITORING** to monitor the production and hence confirm the likely long term energy yield at the site, and to record extreme events
  - **WIND TURBINE POWER CURVE WARRANTY** to assess the power curve of offshore wind turbines at site and confirm whether the warranted power curve has been meteorological
  - **RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT:** power performance and loading assessment; wind resource assessment in a wide-area; research in wake flow conditions

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BUSINESS LINE I/EXISTING TECHNOLOGIES

EXISTING TECHNOLOGIES

- The different available technologies for the wind resource characterization that can compete with the floating platform are:
  - **PERMANENT METEOROLOGICAL TOWERS:** high cost and long periods of implementation, only competitive at low depths, significant environmental impact
  - **LIDAR:** not tested enough developing technology, technical limitations in the fog, high energy consumption, currently only feasible on fixed towers
  - **SODAR:** same problems as LIDAR but with larger technical uncertainties.
  - **SATELLITE:** limited data, indirect measurement, relatively low accuracy in speed and direction data.

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BUSINESS LINE I/DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES & COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES

- In those conditions, the floating meteorological tower concept represents an alternative to conventional solutions that improves its performance and application ranges.
  - **LOWER** installation **COST** than towers fixed to the bottom of the sea
  - Adaptable to **DEPTHS BETWEEN 30 AN 200 METERS** which extends its application field with regard to conventional towers, whether fixed or supported at the bottom
  - **LOWER** manufacturing, installation and handling **LEAD TIMES**
  - **POSSIBILITY OF RELOCATION** and displacement of the tower which extends its spatial coverage
  - **TESTED MEASUREMENT TECHNOLOGY** based on cup anemometers supplemented with ultrasonic anemometers
  - Business model that **MINIMIZES CUSTOMER RISKS**, only data sale, the tower is owned by IDERMAR and, therefore, IDERMAR is responsible for its operation and maintenance

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FLOATING SYSTEMS FOR OFF-SHORE WIND TURBINES

- CONTEXT
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Floating systems for offshore wind turbines

The conditions of the coastal platform related to great part of the world coastline do not allow for the application of bottom-fixed substructures in offshore wind farms. Taking into account this necessity, it seems interesting to develop floating systems that make it possible to install wind farms in sites with depths greater than 50 meters, in a cost-effective way.



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■ Reasons to promote Offshore Wind Energy:

■ Avoiding increasing land parks with significant scenic and environmental impacts

■ Not having to use land areas with less potential, reflecting lower efficiency of energy production

■ Development of new technology and new business areas for Spanish companies that would maintain their competitiveness against other countries

■ Maintaining and creating jobs in a sector that currently employs more than 37,000 people in Spain (Wind at Work report, January 2009)

■ Offshore Wind Potential:

■ The Spanish coast platform is low with a landscape buffer zone of 8 km (7 miles in the United Kingdom)

■ The available area for conventional facilities cemented in depth between the line of 8 km and the bathymetric of 50 m is very low

■ Adequate distances to minimize visibility from land are located around 15-20 km, where the depth is typically 200 m

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Range of Offshore Wind Technologies Use

APPROX. DISTANCE 20 Km.

APPROX. DISTANCE 5 to 10 Km.

COAST LINE

60 m

AVERAGE SEA LEVEL

200 m

BOTTOM OF 50m DEEP

BOTTOM FOUNDED SOLUTIONS

FLOATING PLATFORM SOLUTIONS

RANGE OF OFFSHORE TECHNOLOGIES USE

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Comparison between the Spanish and British coast areas (depth below 50 m) where bottom founded offshore solutions can be used

POTENCIAL EÓLICO MARINO CIMENTADO EN SENDO UNDO Y ESPAÑA

BATIMETRÍA 50m

LEYENDA TEMÁTICA VELOCIDAD DEL VIENTO

- 7-8 m/s
- 8-9 m/s
- 9-10 m/s

LEYENDA TEMÁTICA PROFUNDIDAD

- Profundidad Costera (0-50m)
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Offshore Wind Potential over Floating Platform in Spain

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■ Develop, build and fund research floating towers that will be distributed by the Spanish coastal areas of greatest wind potential to confirm and assess the actual available resource (intensity and hours of operation). The data provided by these research towers would solve the lack of real data and allow specify the prime offered values more precisely

■ Achieve the development of a floating support system for offshore wind turbine that can be adapted to any machine model in the market and allow the wind use of Spanish coast at depths of 50-200 m with a competitive cost.

■ To achieve these two objectives it is required:

■ Support in the administrative process of licenses and permits

■ Financial and economic support for its development

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As an alternative to structural solutions with foundations on the sea bed, the company IDERMAR has developed a new product line called IDERMAR METEO. IDERMAR is also currently planning the development of new support structures for offshore wind turbines

PRODUCTS

01 IDERMAR METEO Series

02 Serie Idemar Wind Turbine



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IDERMAR  
METEO  
Series

Alternatively to the bottom-fixed foundation solutions, **IDERMAR** has developed a new array of products called **IDERMAR METEO** destined to the creation of wind and ocean resource assessment campaigns in middle-depth and deep water sites. It consists of a data acquisition and analysis system based on a web application that allows for remote access to meteorological and ocean data. The monitoring system is installed in a floating substructure which supports a met-mast similar to those used in onshore campaigns.

The structure can be carried and installed easily thus reducing the cost and the impact on the environment, compared to structures attached to the seabed. Since they can be easily transported, the floating masts can be re-used for different measurement campaigns or taken to the port for repair in case of major structural damages. Currently, the **IDERMAR METEO** line consists of two products with a mast height of 60 and 80meters each.

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TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION

- INTRODUCTION
- DESCRIPTION OF THE PRODUCT
  - Structural support and floating system
  - Power, measuring, recording and reporting system
  - Monitoring and surveillance systems
- DATA
- CERTIFICATION & ASSESSMENT BY THIRD PARTIES

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INTRODUCTION

**IDERMAR METEO** is a floating substructure which supports a met mast similar to those used on land, which characterises off-shore wind resources through the comprehensive measurement of the different physical variables involved (wind speed, wind direction, temperature, atmospheric pressure, relative humidity...).The system comes complete with devices that provide remote monitoring capabilities in relation to the data obtained and to the safety of the entire unit. The energy required to keep the equipment working is generated in the floating structure itself, making the whole system autonomous concerning power.

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DESCRIPTION OF THE PRODUCT

- THE FLOATING MAST PROPOSED BY IDERMAR CONSISTS OF THREE BASIC SYSTEMS:
  - **STRUCTURAL SUPPORT AND FLOATING SYSTEM**
  - **POWER, MEASURING, RECORDING AND REPORTING SYSTEM**
  - **MONITORING AND SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS**

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STRUCTURAL SUPPORT AND FLOATING SYSTEM

From a structural point of view, the system consists of a submerged section that provides stabilisation through a buoyancy and ballast mechanism, and a section above water consisting of a cylindrical first section followed by a lattice mast where the elements that support the instruments are mounted. The whole unit measures 125 m long, of which, 35 m are underwater and 90 m are above sea level. It has been designed for anchoring in depths of 50 metres or more.

■ DESCRIPTION OF THE STRUCTURAL SYSTEM

- Anchor system
- Underwater section
- Water-air interface
- Section above water

■ CHARACTERIZATION OF THE INSTRUMENT SUPPORTING ARMS

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DESCRIPTION OF THE STRUCTURAL SYSTEM

Figure 1. Parts of the floating met mast structure



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DESCRIPTION OF THE STRUCTURAL SYSTEM

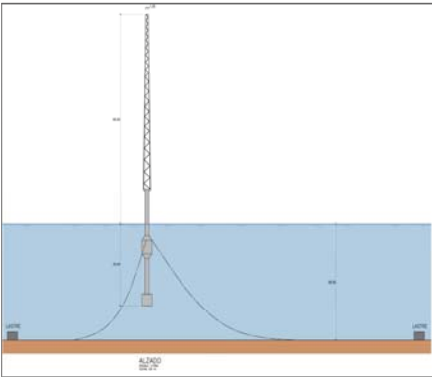


Figure 2. Structural diagram of the met mast

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POWER, MEASURING, RECORDING AND REPORTING SYSTEM

The instruments attached to the met mast have been specifically designed with the following objectives in mind:

- **PROVIDE WIND RESOURCE MEASUREMENTS** complying with standard sector regulations concerning accuracy, calibrating, traceability, etc.
- **BE AUTONOMOUS** from a power-related point of view for an indefinite period of time to perform all their functions related to collecting, registering and reporting data.
- **TRANSMIT DATA** in a way that allows remote monitoring at configurable intervals and with total flexibility.

To achieve these objectives, the floating met mast has been equipped with three independent sub-systems:

- **INSTRUMENT AND CONTROL SUB-SYSTEM.**
- **POWER SUB-SYSTEM**
- **COMMUNICATIONS SUB-SYSTEM**

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INSTRUMENT AND CONTROL SUB-SYSTEM

The core element of the instrument and control sub-system is redundant and consists of **two robust PCs with redundant storage**. Linked to the said sub-system are the data recording units that communicate with the analogue sensors. These are also duplicated to provide the system with the redundancy required.

The control system consists of **two compact computers based on industrial specifications, running Microsoft Windows XP operating systems**. The computers also feature **hard disk protection systems** against hardware failure and **remote image recovery systems** in the event of operating system failure.

The electronics of the platform's local communications network consists of a number of **industrial grade switches** that are responsible for providing connectivity between the computer and other systems (data loggers, communications routers, gateways...). The local network is based on category 6 Ethernet cabling, which is specific for the platform environment.

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INSTRUMENT AND CONTROL SUB-SYSTEM

This system receives, monitors and manages the signals of the different sensors installed, including the following:

- **METEOROLOGICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SENSORS** (all the sensors are installed in strict compliance with MEASNET guidelines):
  - **Thies "First Class"** Advanced cup anemometers, pre-calibrate in wind tunnels belonging to MEASNET
  - **Thies "Compact"** wind vanes
  - **Gill WindMaster Pro** ultrasonic anemometers, pre-calibrated in accordance with ISO 16622:2002(E). This includes real time post-processing to compensate for the movement of the structure
  - **VAISALA HMP45Cde** temperature and humidity meters and atmospheric pressure meters (SETRA CS100)

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INSTRUMENT AND CONTROL SUB-SYSTEM

- **POSITIONING AND COMPENSATION:**
  - **TOPCOM** differential GPS with centimetre precision, 1 Hz sampling frequency and real time compensation (requires base station on land).
  - **KISTLER** high sensibility accelerometers with frequency ranges from 0 Hz to compensate anemometer measurements.
  - **XSENS** inertial systems: consisting of accelerometers, gyroscopes and magnetic compass, also for compensation and anemometer measurements.
- **INTERNAL DIAGNOSTICS** (several units for redundant measurements):
  - **Water level meters (VEGA)**
  - **Temperature and relative humidity sensors (CAREL)**

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POWER SUB-SYSTEM


The power sub-system has been designed to provide the necessary autonomy at any time of the year and in any location (excluding the Arctic and Antarctic circles).It incorporates the latest power generating technology to provide a robust and reliable system and consequently eliminating health and safety risks.

- **PHOTOVOLTAIC PANELS**
- **TWO WIND TURBINES**
- **SET OF GEL BATTERIES**
- **BATTERY CHARGING REGULATORS AND INVERTERS**
- **AUXILIARY POWER SYSTEM BASED ON METHANOL FUEL BATTERIES**



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COMMUNICATIONS SUB-SYSTEM

Designed for **maximum reliability** in any situation and under any conditions. It consists in a quad communications system that also **minimises the financial cost** of communications.

- **INMARSAT DATA LINK**
- **IRIDIUM DATA LINK**
- **GSM/3G MOBILE/CELL TELEPHONY**
- **PRE-WIMAX RADIO LINK**

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COMMUNICATIONS SUB-SYSTEM


All the equipment is managed by **intelligent communications software** that selects the optimum data transmission unit. Communications usually take place once every hour.

However, the system can also provide **continuous and uninterrupted communications** when **real-time monitoring** is required or **reduce the frequency of communications** when **power saving** is required. In summary, the communications management options would be:

- **AUTOMATIC MODE** that selects the ideal unit to transmit communications as programmed.
- **MANUAL MODE** used to select the equipment and communication time.
- **SEMI-AUTOMATIC MODE** used to schedule connections.

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MONITORING AND SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS


IDERMAR METEO incorporates **monitoring and surveillance systems** that allow remote monitoring of the facility, covering two key strategic functions to ensure the success of the data collection campaign:

- **STORAGE OF EXPORTED DATA**, obtained from the met mast's central unit, for statistical processing, distribution and presentation.
- **REAL TIME MONITORING AND SURVEILLANCE** of all operational systems on the mast to ensure the quality of the wind resource data collection campaign and the integrity of the installation.

The monitoring and surveillance systems are based on software developed for the internal management of the floating met mast and its communications with land, as well as software developed for the transmission and use of the said data.

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FLOATING MET MAST AND COMMUNICATIONS SOFTWARE

This is the software installed in the floating met mast control computer and its use is restricted to IDERMAR to operate system. It comprises the following components:

- **COMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**
- **SAFE DATA TRANSMISSION SYSTEM**
- **ALARM MANAGEMENT AND ACCUMULATION SYSTEM**
- **LAND BASED DATE RECEPTION AND STORAGE SYSTEMS**
  - An FTP server
  - A service in charge of uploading the data files received to the database
  - SQL Server 2008 database server

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DATA PRESENTATION AND DOWNLOADING SOFTWARE

The software used for presenting and downloading data, which is partly accessible to customers, includes a number of **Web-based services** that allow the use of the data stored in the project database.


The system also includes a range of services that **trigger alarms** that automatically send e-mails alerts and SMS messages to pre-established recipients for each alert category.

The **WEB services** are based on a complete multi-user and multi-project platform. The system allows each user with access privileges to the consultation system to customize the WEB page based on their needs. This requires a set of controls that take the data stored in the database and presents them to the user in the form of graphs, simulations, lists or other items.

The said set of controls is a permanently growing repository based on the needs and expectations of the different types of system users. Consequently, the view that an operations and maintenance manager has when accessing the system would be a list of alerts and alarms, while the view a met data analyst would get would include reports, graphs, animations, etc. In any case, each user may **customize** the page according to their needs based on a set of controls they will be able to access based on their individual privileges or on the privileges of the access group they belong to.

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DATA PRESENTATION AND DOWNLOADING SOFTWARE




Figure 6: Example of a customized monitoring screen



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IDERMAR will deliver corrected data on a monthly basis. The said data will take into account the effects of any possible movement of the floating met mast and will include the completion of data by means of MCP methods. The delivery of data will be via the WEBSITE. Customers will be notified by e-mail on a monthly basis when the database has been updated.

The data on each meteorological parameter, of the type mentioned above, taken with a frequency that exceeds 1Hz, will be stored continuously and processed each month to obtain the different variable that will be delivered to customers in electronic format.

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SENSOR	HEIGHT (m above AWH)	ASSEMBLY	DIRECTION
Cup anemometer	90	Vertical support	-
Cup anemometer	85	Horizontal arm	WNW
Ultrasonic anemometer	85	Horizontal arm	ESE
Wind	82	Horizontal arm	WNW
Wind	82	Horizontal arm	ESE
Temperature sensor	80	On mast	WNW
Temperature sensor	80	On mast	ESE
Air pressure sensor	80	On mast	WNW
Air pressure sensor	80	On mast	ESE
Relative humidity sensor	80	On mast	WNW
Relative humidity sensor	80	On mast	ESE
Ultrasonic anemometer	75	Horizontal arm	WNW
Cup anemometer	75	Horizontal arm	ESE
Wind	65	Horizontal arm	WNW
Wind	65	Horizontal arm	ESE
Cup anemometer	55	Horizontal arm	WNW
Ultrasonic anemometer	55	Horizontal arm	ESE
Ultrasonic anemometer	45	Horizontal arm	WNW
Cup anemometer	45	Horizontal arm	ESE
Temperature sensor	20	On mast	WNW
Temperature sensor	20	On mast	ESE

Table 2: Location and identification of measurement instruments for wind resource characterisation

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The processing of the said variables will be based on ten-minute series of data with sampling frequencies above 1Hz. From each ten-minute data series, the following will be obtained:

- **FOR WIND SPEED AND DIRECTION:** maximum value average and minimum value as well as the standard deviation.
- **FOR OTHER VARIABLES:** the average value and the typical deviation.

Each of the variables will be stored in ASCII format in separate files. Within each of the files, the first 6 lines correspond to the header containing general information on the mast, variables and the measurement period in question. From the seventh line, the information will be stored in columns, where the first will be the corresponding timestamp of the ten-minute series.

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#Station: Virgen del Mar

#Parameter: WindVane\_60m

#Unit: degree

#Titles:

Time	Value	Minimum	Maximum	Std. Deviation	Quality
01/01/2010 0:00	50.3	-999.99	-999.99	3.24	2
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01/01/2010 0:20	52.5	-999.99	-999.99	3.7	2
01/01/2010 0:30	53.1	-999.99	-999.99	3.15	2
01/01/2010 0:40	53.3	-999.99	-999.99	3.54	2
01/01/2010 0:50	55.9	-999.99	-999.99	4.54	2
01/01/2010 1:00	51.9	-999.99	-999.99	3.86	2
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Table 3: Example of data file format provided

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REAL TIME ACCESS TO DATA

Additionally, the data presentation software provides the possibility of viewing and downloading raw data virtually in real time. Raw data do not contain corrections due to the movement of the buoy, not have they been completed using MCP methods. Access to this information is regulated by a number of profiles that provide safe and identified access by each user.

Consequently, customers will have access to the information that corresponds to all the meteorological and environmental data described in Table 2.

IDERMAR staff responsible for operational and maintenance tasks will have access to information from all the sensors (meteorological and environmental, positioning and compensation or internal diagnosis sensors). This information will be used by IDERMAR to establish and schedule maintenance tasks. Likewise, the said tasks will be used to correct and complete wind data.

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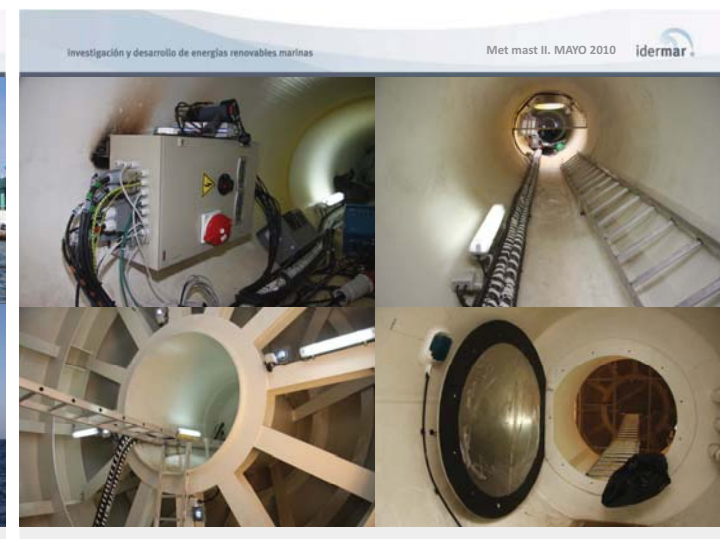
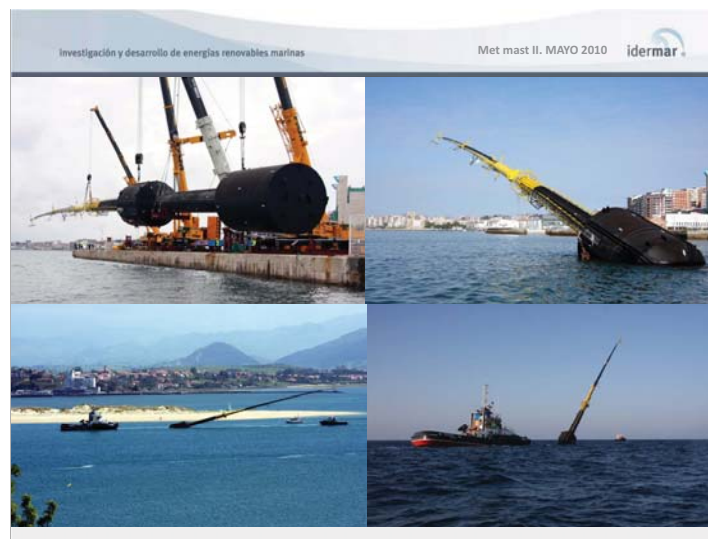
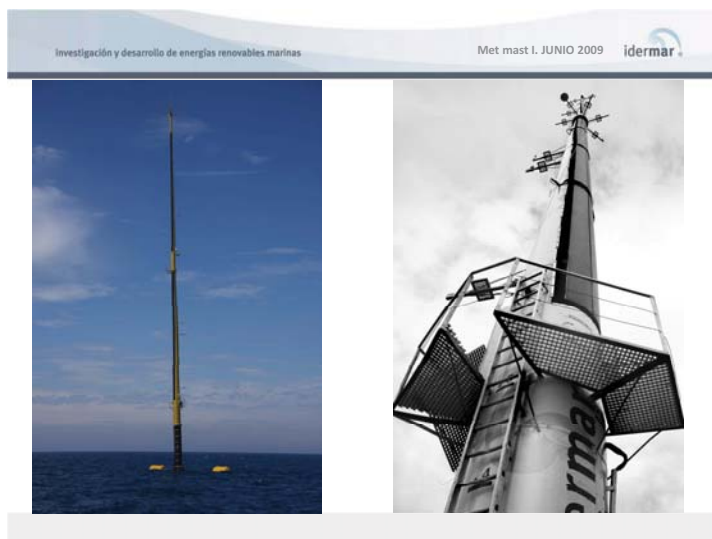
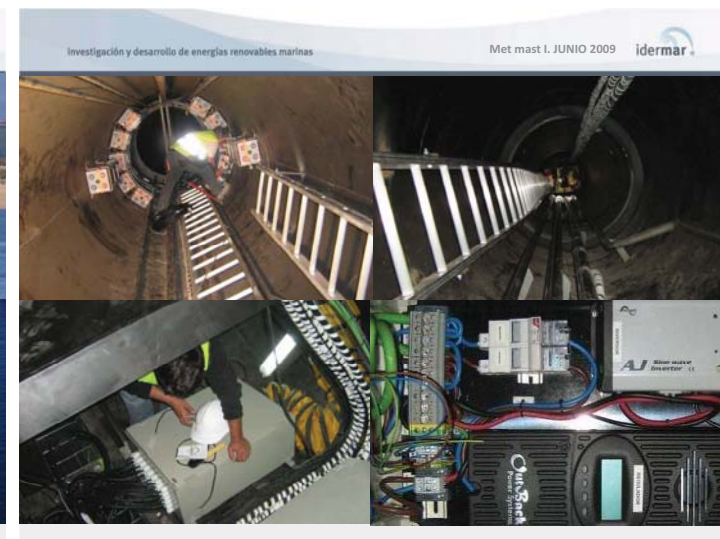
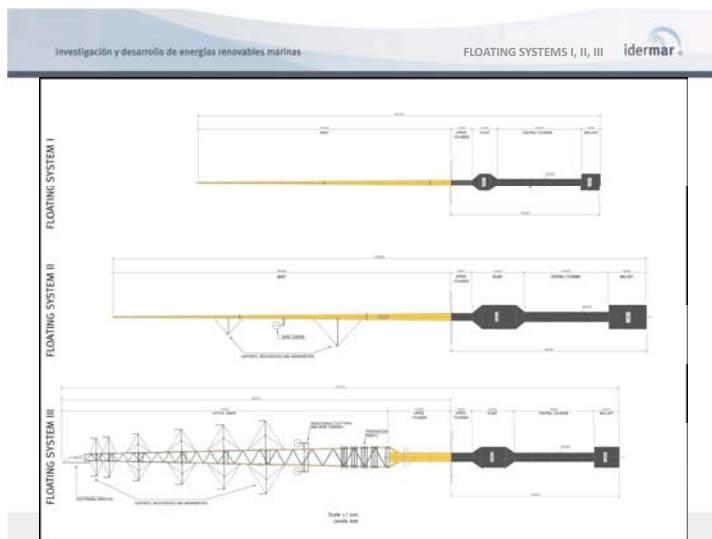
In order to offer our customers maximum guarantees, the IDERMAR METEO system is subject to the most rigorous certification and testing processes in the wind farm sector.

With this in mind, IDERMAR has decided to work with the company, GL Garrad Hassan, one of the unquestionable reference companies that has wide-ranging experience in the maritime and wind farm sectors as well as in testing and resource data collecting.

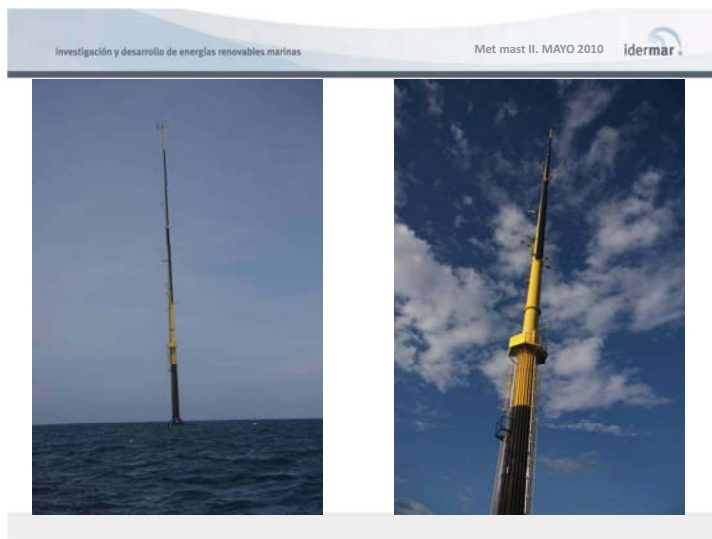
The certification and assessment process is divided into two different parts:

- **DATA QUALITY ASSESSMENT**
- **STRUCTURE CERTIFICATION**











## Poster presentations of PhD students on offshore wind

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Title of poster</b>
Van Buren, Eric, NTNU	Effects of foundation modeling methodology on the dynamic response of offshore wind turbine support structures
Frøyd, Lars, NTNU	Design and analysis of a 10 MW wind turbine
Merz, Karl, NTNU	Blade Design for Offshore Wind Turbines
Karimirad, Madjid, NTNU	Response Instabilities due to Servo-Induced Negative Damping for a Tension Leg Spar Wind Turbine
Zwick, Daniel, NTNU	Loads of Dynamics in Lattice Tower Support Structures for Offshore Wind Turbines
Gjerde, Sverre, NTNU	Integrated converter design with generator for weight reduction of offshore wind turbines
Netland, Øyvind, NTNU	Remote presence, Operation and Maintenance of Offshore Wind Farms without Leaving your Office
Liu, Bing, NTNU	Wind Turbine Power Performance Verification by Anemometer on the Nacelle
	Grid Integration of large Offshore Wind Energy and Oil & Gas Installations using VSC-HVDC
Nguyen, Trinh Hoang, University of Agder	Model-based operations and maintenance for offshore wind
Eliassen, Lene, University of Stavanger	Vortex Methods for Horizontal Axis Wind Turbines
Flügge, Martin, Reuder, Joachim, University of Bergen	Atmospheric turbulence measurements close to the ocean surface
Kalvig, Siri, University of Stavanger	Improved energy forecast for offshore wind farms
Garcés Ruiz, Alejandro, NTNU	Series Connection of Offshore Wind Turbines
Aarnes, Ole Johan, University of Bergen:	Wave extremes in the Northeast Atlantic
Ramachandran, G.K.V., DTU:	Response of Tension Leg Configuration subjected to wave & aerodynamic thrust loading
Hameed, Zafar, NTNU:	Challenges in the Reliability and Maintainability Data Collection for Offshore Wind Turbine
Haileselassie, Temesgen, NTNU:	Control and Operation of Multiterminal HVDC for Market Integrated Offshore Wind Farms
Tasar, Gursu, NTNU:	Analysis of Atmospheric Boundary Layer of Frøya Test Site



# EFFECT OF FOUNDATION MODELLING METHODOLOGY ON THE DYNAMIC RESPONSE OF OFFSHORE WIND TURBINE SUPPORT STRUCTURES



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## BACKGROUND

Offshore wind farms are currently much more costly than their land based counterparts, about 50 per cent more costly according to the EWEA. This cost discrepancy is due in large part to the increased size, complexity, and installation difficulties associated with the support structures at sea; typically costing 2.5 times more than the support structure for a comparable land based turbine. One of the most difficult and most costly aspects in the design and construction of offshore structures is the foundation – specifically the portion of the structure which interacts directly with the seabed.

In addition, because offshore wind turbines are highly dynamic systems, it is important to have a relatively accurate prediction of the dynamic properties of the full wind turbine structure, including the foundation and the interaction between it and the soil. In order to achieve this, the structural model of the system must include provisions for the characteristics of the foundation in some form or fashion.

## OBJECTIVES

The goal of the current project is to develop improved methods for modeling offshore wind turbine foundations with an aim to decrease the level of uncertainty in foundation design. By improving the level of confidence in pile design, many of the piles may be optimized for the given soil and load conditions, reducing the size and thus leading to shorter installation times and lower costs.

It is believed that current foundation modeling techniques underestimate the amount of damping provided by the foundation. While this was of little importance to the mostly static oil platforms in the past, increased damping in a highly dynamic system such as a wind turbine could greatly influence the overall design of the system, particularly the support structure.

## EXPERIMENTAL SETUP

In the current project, piled foundations for both a full-height lattice tower, as well as a monotower, are investigated. These structures can be seen below in Figure 1.

Additionally, several different modeling techniques are used, greatly ranging in complexity and detail, as shown in Figure 2.

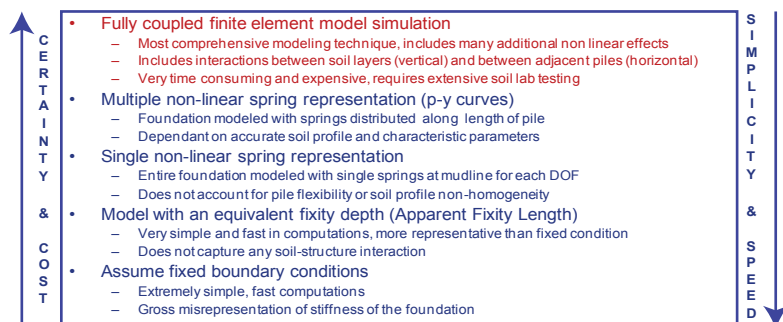
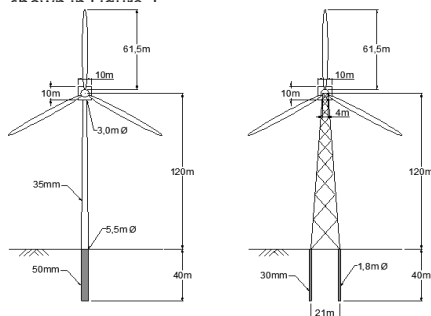


Figure 2: Foundation Modelling Techniques

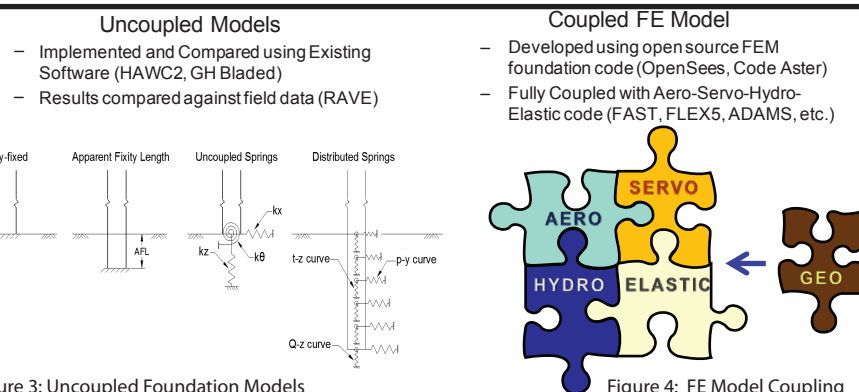


Figure 3: Uncoupled Foundation Models

Figure 4: FE Model Coupling

## SEQUENTIAL ANALYSIS

As an intermediate step between the uncoupled methods and a fully coupled FE analysis, a so-called sequential analysis can be performed. In this process, the preliminary foundation stiffness is determined with a static FE analysis, and used in a numerical simulation containing multiple non-linear spring representation. This analysis will give time series force data at the pile heads which can then be used in a dynamic finite element analysis. This process can be repeated several times in effort to converge on specific stiffness

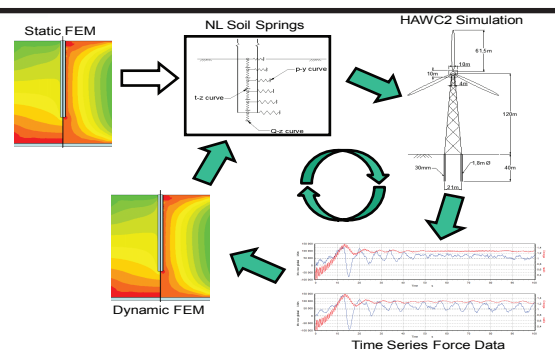


Figure 5: Sequential Analysis Process

## CURRENT WORK

Work is currently being done on the sequential analysis in effort to determine proper stiffness and damping parameters for a piled foundation on both a monotower and lattice tower structure in layered soil. The NREL 5MW offshore reference turbine is being used to allow for easier comparisons with other works.

Several different soil profiles are being utilized, including profiles from the North-Sea, Gulf of Mexico and the U.S. Atlantic coast. These are all potential future sites for offshore wind turbines.

## FUTURE WORK

Following the sequential analysis process, efforts will be made to develop a fully coupled analysis software which contains aero-servo-hydro-elastic and geotechnical processes. This will allow for a much closer look at the dynamic process taking place in the soil and at the soil-pile interface during power production.

This tool will allow a much closer look at the damping provided to the system by the soil-structure interaction, possibly saving material and installation costs.



# Design and analysis of a 10 MW wind turbine

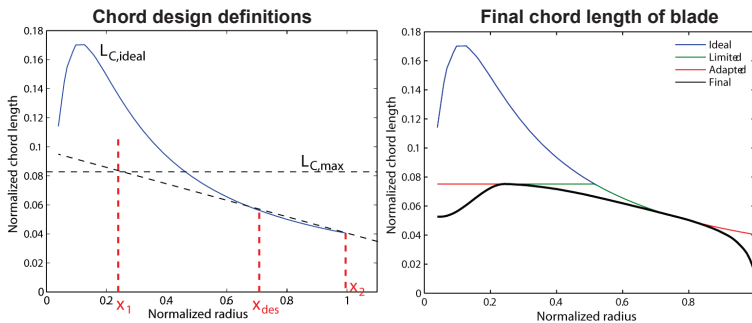
- A brief summary of the status and recent progress

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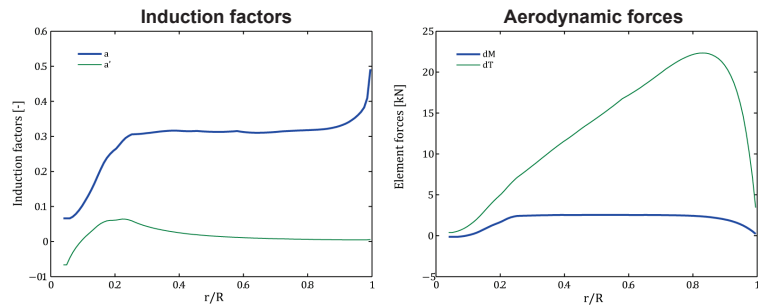
## 1. Aerodynamic design method

A method for aerodynamic design has been developed based on blade element momentum (BEM) theory such that a realistic wind turbine blade can be designed with a minimum of parameters [1]:

- Thickness to chord ratio along the blade
- A list of airfoils for the range of thicknesses +  $C_L$  and  $C_D$  data
- The design point  $x_{des}$  where the aerodynamics are optimized
- The design point  $x_1$  which is the point of maximum chord length

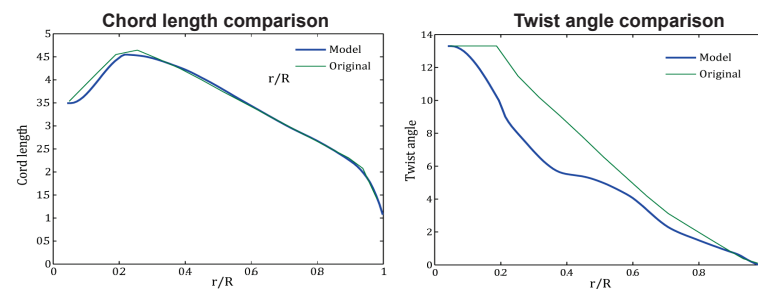


Based on these data a normalized blade geometry is created and scaled to the relevant rated power and rated wind speed. The tip chord length and the twist angle distribution are optimized to yield an ideal distribution of aerodynamic induction and aerodynamic forces:



## 2. Validation of the design method

The design is compared to the NREL 5MW Offshore Baseline design with the same airfoil distribution. The result shows that the method is suitable for design of large wind turbine blades.



## 3. Aerodynamic design of 10 MW rotor

Using the developed method with a design power of 10 MW, rated wind speed 13 m/s and design tip speed ratio of 7.3, a baseline design is created with a rotor diameter of 144.5 m and  $C_p = 0.49$ .

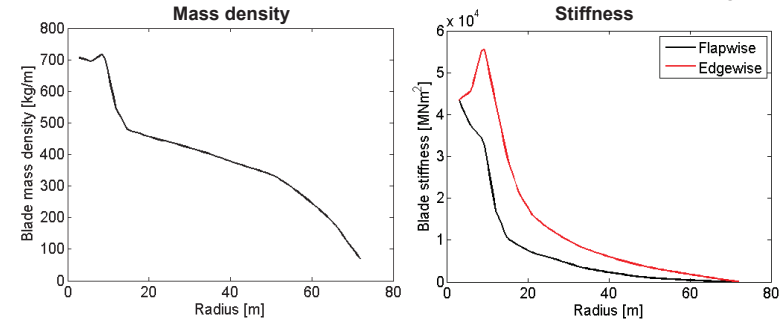


The blade is designed especially for large rotors, with a high aspect ratio to reduce aerodynamic loads at standstill and a long, smoothly changing root section to improve buckling stability.

The design choices made above will later be subject to a parameter study to investigate how the baseline design can be improved.

## 4. Structural design of the blades

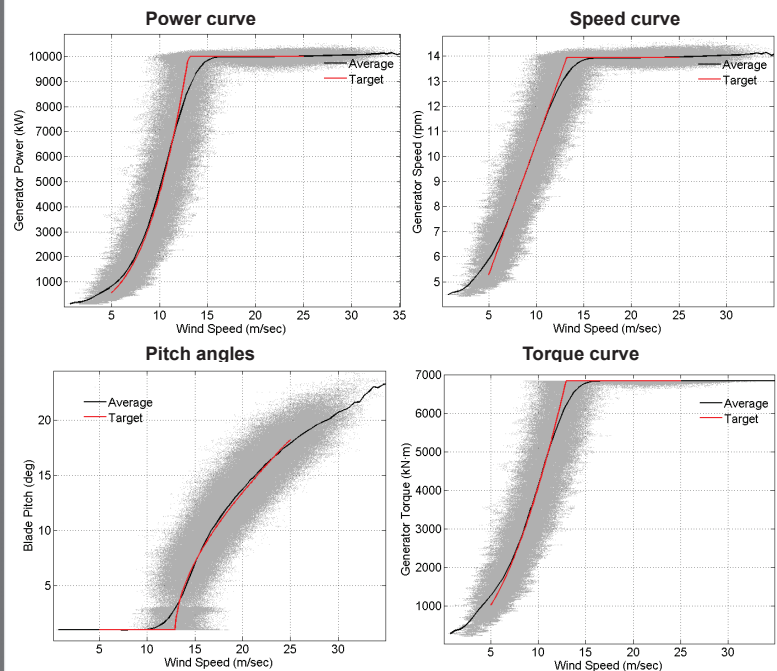
Based on structural design definitions for the blade spar from [2] and [3], and structural definitions of a blade shell from [4], the cross-sectional properties of the blade have been chosen as a first design.



This gives a blade mass of 27 tons, which is comparable to the LM 61.5 blade of 18 tons.

## 5. Aeroelastic analysis of 10 MW rotor

Based on the method for pitch gain scheduling in [3] a method was created to automatically design a control system for any given turbine design in Simulink. Using the aeroelastic code FAST with Simulink, the 10 MW wind turbine was simulated. The results show that the variable speed, variable pitch control strategy very efficiently limits the loads above rated speed and yields especially good torque response.



## 6. Further work

- Improved structural design and thorough analyses (buckling/flutter)
- More complete definitions of the baseline 10 MW turbine properties
- Simulation of the 10 MW wind turbine on a floating platform.
- Parametric study of rotor parameters and platform parameters to investigate the design basis for floating wind turbines with respect to fatigue damage.

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## 1. Introduction

Deepwater offshore wind turbines are more expensive than their land-based counterparts, for three unavoidable reasons: the support structure is more elaborate; marine operations (including installation and maintenance) are costly and require a favorable weather window; and the electricity must be transmitted over long distances. Minimizing the overall system cost may require configurations that are different from what has become the standard onshore turbine: three-bladed, upwind, pitch-regulated.

It is proposed that passive stall regulation should be revived as a possibility for large offshore wind turbines. The reason is the simplicity of the mechanical systems: the simplest stall-regulated, direct-drive (no gearbox) turbine has only one primary moving part: the aerodynamic rotor / driveshaft / generator rotor. A brake system and yaw drive are also needed, but they are actuated infrequently. Perhaps this simplicity could be leveraged to reduce -- or, optimistically, eliminate -- maintenance requirements and downtime.

The operating characteristics of the rotor influence the design of the support structure to a greater extent than the support structure influences the blade design. Thus it seems that the appropriate place to begin conceptual design is the rotor: what does a stall-regulated rotor look like, which is adapted for operation offshore?

A literature review provided examples of optimization methods that can be employed in blade design: References [1] through [4], for instance. However, there are few examples describing what an optimum stall-regulated blade looks like: how does it behave? Why is it optimal? The work of Fuglsang and colleagues ([5], and related publications) is an exception, although even here the discussion of design principles is brief.

The design of a stall-regulated blade involves a balance between the competing goals of maximizing energy capture, while minimizing loads (including blade weight) on the support structure. The conceptual design process requires fast and simple methods for generating, evaluating, and understanding this tradeoff for various blade designs. Frequency-domain analysis is ideal for this purpose, because it is orders of magnitude faster than time-domain analysis, and it can be understood in terms of superposition.

## 2. Frequency-Domain Analysis

Frequency-domain analysis methods were developed to predict the dynamic behavior of a stall-regulated blade. Two additions were made to textbook methods [6]: the component of turbulence in the plane of the rotor was included, along with the axial component; and dynamic stall was modelled.

Frequency-domain methods are by nature linear, whereas stalled-flow aerodynamics is nonlinear. Therefore, the aerodynamic equations must be linearized. This involves finding the change in lift coefficient for a given change in angle-of-attack,  $\gamma = dC_L/d\alpha$ . This lift coefficient slope should be chosen such that it accounts for flow separation. The slope may be a function of frequency, since the total response of the blade is calculated as the sum of the responses at individual frequencies.

Flow separation can be modelled as a first-order time-lag, of the form:

$$\frac{d\alpha_f}{dt} = \frac{\alpha - \alpha_f}{\tau}$$

This time-lag is related to movement of the chordwise position of the separation-point along the low-pressure surface of the airfoil. It is further assumed that a linearized lift coefficient can be calculated as:

$$C_L = \gamma_{\max}(\alpha - \alpha_f) + \gamma_q(\alpha_f - \alpha_0)$$

It is proposed that, for calculating blade excitation, it is appropriate to capture the entire range of the lift coefficient, for a given range of angle-of-attack. This is shown in Figure 1. For damping, the energy dissipated over a cycle of oscillation should be matched. This leads to:

$$\gamma_m = \gamma_{\max} + \gamma_q - \gamma_{\max} \left( \frac{1}{1 + (\tau\omega)^2} \right)$$

and:

$$\gamma_{\text{osc}} = \left( \gamma_{\max} - \gamma_q \right) \left( \frac{\tau\omega}{1 + (\tau\omega)^2} \right)$$

such that for excitation,  $\gamma_e = \sqrt{\gamma_{\text{osc}}^2 + \gamma_m^2}$ , while for damping,  $\gamma_d = \gamma_m$ .

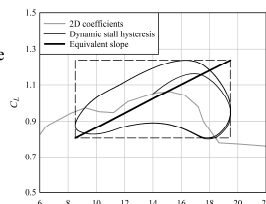


Figure 1

The result is a set of equivalent slopes, an example of which is shown in Figure 2. Figure 3 compares root bending moment spectra obtained using this dynamic stall method against test data and the results of several aeroelastic codes. [7]

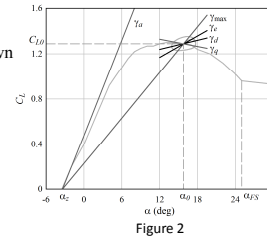


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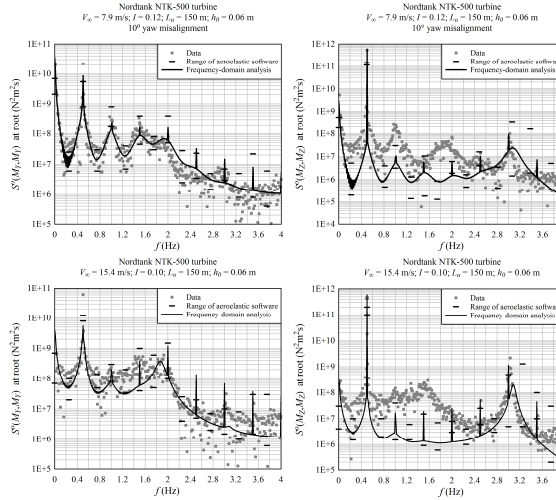


Figure 3

## 3. Airfoil Model

An airfoil model was developed, based on a survey of published coefficient data, which allows numerically smooth interpolation between a range of airfoil behaviors. Particular attention was paid to the way in which drag increases as the lift coefficient peaks and drops; this drag behavior has an important influence on the behavior of a stall-regulated turbine. Figure 4 shows an example of the model, in comparison with data.

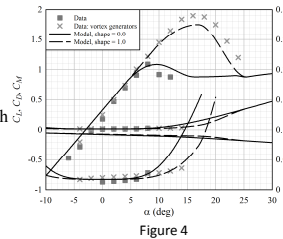


Figure 4

## 4. Strength Checks

Material stiffness and strength properties, including Goodman diagrams for fatigue, were obtained from Griffin [8]. Fiberglass and carbon-fiber were candidates for the spar material. The outer shell is a fiberglass sandwich construction.

Strength checks were performed in order to size the spar caps. The thickness of the webs was assumed to be proportional to the spar cap thickness.

Local stress spectra were calculated at 12 sections along the length of the blade, at 6 points around each cross-section. From these stress spectra, fatigue cycle counts were obtained by the Dirlik method. In addition, a spectral method (described by Burton et al. [6]) was used to estimate the peak stress.

The fatigue analysis was performed at windspeeds of 5, 7, ..., 23, and 25 m/s. The peak stress analysis was performed using a stochastic dynamic response based upon windspeeds of 25 m/s (operating) and 50 m/s (shut down), with mean stresses calculated using 40 m/s and 70 m/s, respectively, in order to account for the effect of a gust.

Load factors were calculated for tension and compression fracture, buckling, fatigue, maximum tip deflection (limited to 0.1R), and flutter.

## 5. Optimization

A constrained, gradient-based optimization algorithm, similar to that of Fuglsang and Madsen [9], was used to obtain the optimum blade designs. The method uses sequential linear programming inside the feasible domain, and the method of feasible directions to move away from a constraint boundary.

Constraints are implemented such that the load factors do not

exceed 1.0 (indicating failure). Constraints are also implemented to ensure a minimum damping of 0.004 (though preferably much higher) at windspeeds up to 40 m/s; this ensures that blade vibration is stable during gusts, when the turbine is operating in the vicinity of the cut-out windspeed.

Design variables were material thickness, airfoil properties, chord, twist, and t/c ratio at 12 points along the blade.

The cost function is cost-of-energy, not including operation and maintenance, representative of a floating wind turbine. The cost is calculated as the sum of independent component costs, which are assumed to vary with governing loads from the rotor.

## 6. Results

A unique (to the author's knowledge) type of blade results from the optimization. Figure 5 shows the chord and twist profiles, compared with the NREL 5 MW reference turbine (which is pitch-regulated). First, note that the optimum rated power in the North Sea wind climate (about 9 m/s average windspeed at hub height) is much higher, for a given swept area, than a standard rotor. This follows from the fact that half the total annual energy in the wind is contained at windspeeds over 17 m/s, and it is beneficial to capture some of this "extra" energy.

The discontinuous twist profile near the tip is not an artifact of the optimization; it provides very favorable dynamic properties beyond the rated windspeed, when the blades are in various degrees of stall.

Figure 6 shows the mean angle-of-attack, as a ratio to the angle-of-attack at maximum lift; a value of 1 thus represents the point at which stall begins to dominate the airfoil forces. The "back-twist" near the tip, combined with the relatively high-lift airfoil at this location, means that flow stays attached, over a few meters of the blade length, through the cut-out windspeed. Attached flow provides a large amount of damping; thus this blade design has aerodynamic damping that is higher than a typical stall-regulated blade. This region of the blade also produces a large amount of power, which is counteracted by drag over other parts of the blade, such that the total power remains within limits. The stall behavior of the blade is better than normal; the rotational speed needs to vary only a small amount in order to hold power constant at high windspeeds.

The family of blades shown in Figure 5 is recommended for further study, and comparison against pitch-regulated blades. One concern is that the blade element method, used to predict the aerodynamic loads, is not theoretically valid when flow is stalled. It is questionable whether the aerodynamic properties of the attached-flow section of the blade would stay the same when the adjacent sections of the blade stalled. This behavior could be investigated with wind-tunnel measurements or CFD analysis.

Another interesting feature of the blades is that the inner 4/5 of the blade length has t/c ≥ 0.30 (typically right at 0.30). Modern airfoils perform well aerodynamically up to this t/c.

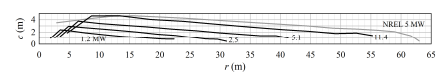


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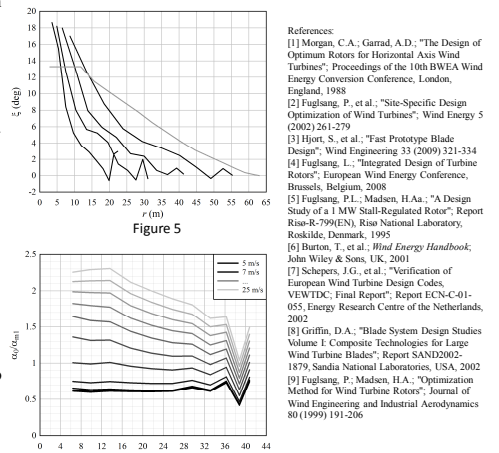


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Response Instabilities due to Servo-induced Negative Damping for Floating Wind Turbines



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Abstract

The blade pitch control of an operating turbine can introduce negative damping in a floating wind turbine. For example, if the relative wind speed experienced by the blades increases due to the rigid body motion of the system, then, if a conventional controller is used, the blades will feather to maintain the rated electrical power. Thus, the thrust force will decrease, which will introduce negative damping for over-rated wind speed load cases. However, in fixed wind turbines since the frequency of the blade pitch controller is normally less than the frequencies associated with the relative rotor motions induced by the structural responses. In this paper, a tension leg spar (TLS) wind turbine is introduced as a support structure for a wind turbine in deep water with a downwind rotor configuration. A dynamic response analysis of the TLS is performed for simultaneous wave and wind loading. These analyses are based on an integrated time domain aero-hydro-servo-elastic simulations. The wave-induced and wind-wave-induced responses of both parked and operating wind turbines are compared to investigate the control-induced negative damping effect. The correlation of wave and mean wind velocity is considered to define the environmental conditions for below-rated, rated and over-rated wind speeds. The HAWC2 code (version 8.5) with a collective blade pitch controller is used to perform the analysis. It is found that the wave frequency responses of the wave-wind-induced cases are not affected by aerodynamics or the controller actions. In the over-rated wind speed case, the negative damping caused by the controller excites the pitch resonant motion. This extraordinary pitch resonant response governs the power production and other responses, such as the nacelle surge, bending moment and tension responses. It is necessary to avoid the servo-induced negative damping to get an adequate fatigue life. In this paper, the controller gains are modified to reduce the instabilities caused by the servo negative damping. When the tuned controller was applied, the pitch resonant motion was reduced and the power production was improved compared with when the untuned controller was used. The ratio between the standard deviation of the electrical power generated when the untuned and tuned controller is applied for an over-rated wind speed case is 8.1. The similarly defined ratio for the nacelle surge motion, the bending moment at the tower-spar interface and the bending moment at the blade root is 14.5, 4.4 and 2.7, respectively. These results show that negative damping adversely affects the performance and structural integrity of a floating wind turbine. Furthermore, the fatigue limit state is highly influenced by the negative damping.

Model



Tension Leg Spar Floating Wind Turbine

Floating wind turbine properties

Wind turbine	5-MW downwind
No. of blades	3
Blade length	61.5 m
Hub height	90 m
Controller	Collective blade pitch
Rated wind speed	11.2 m/sec
Draft	120 m
Diameter above taper	6.5 m
Diameter below taper	9.4 m
Centre of buoyancy	-62 m
Displacement	8126 m <sup>3</sup>
Total mass	7682E+03 kg
Centre of gravity (CG)	-80 m
Pitch/Roll inertia about CG	2.18E+10 kg.m <sup>2</sup>
Yaw inertia about centreline	1.215E+08 kg.m <sup>2</sup>
Leg length	Up to 200 m
Leg diameter	1.0 m
Leg thickness	0.036 m
Pretension	7.624 MN

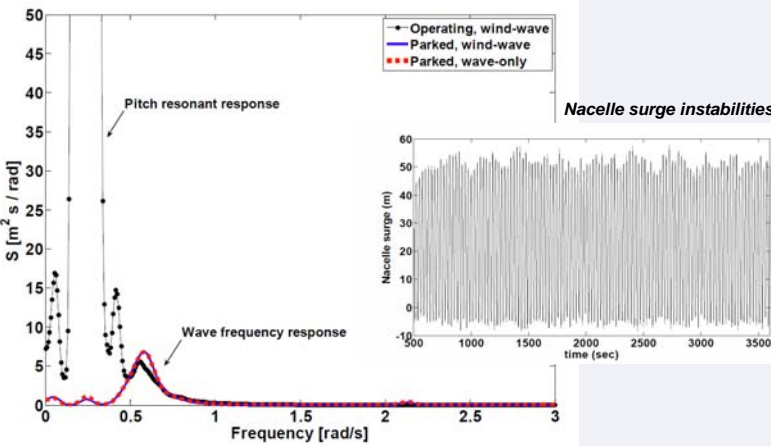
Natural frequencies

Surge/Sway	0.05
Heave	3.69
Pitch/Roll	0.20

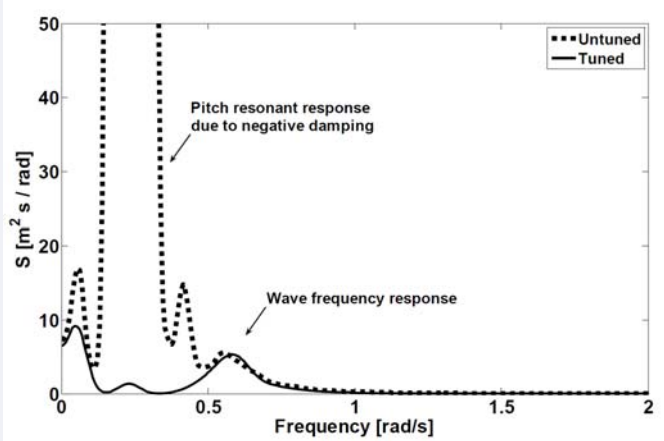
Changes applied to the NREL wind turbine

Parameter	Upwind	Downwind
Rotor position	In front of tower	Behind the tower
Shaft upward tilt	5.0 (deg)	0.0 (deg)
Hub upwind cone	2.5 (deg)	0.0 (deg)

Results



Nacelle surge spectra for responses induced by the wave-only and wind and waves for the operating and parked rotors in the over-rated constant wind condition



Nacelle surge spectra, with the untuned and tuned controller in the over-rated constant wind condition

Conclusions

The blade pitch control of an operating turbine can introduce response instabilities in a floating wind turbine. By tuning the controller gains, negative damping can be eliminated. In this study, the controller is tuned to have a natural frequency less than the TLS pitch natural frequency. The comparison of the tuned and untuned controller showed that using a constant torque algorithm and tuning them controller gains helps to decrease the resonant responses and improves the power production for the over-rated wind speed cases. At the rated wind speed, the response is governed by the surge resonance, and the tuning effect is less effective. However, for the over-rated wind speed region, because the response is governed by the pitch resonance, tuning is effective at eliminating the negative damping. Comparing the statistical characteristics of the responses for the tuned and untuned controller for the wind turbine subjected to the wave and wind loads at the over-rated wind speed case showed that the standard deviation (dynamic part) of the nacelle surge motion, tension, bending moment and electrical generated power decreased due to the removed negative damping. The ratio between the standard deviation of the power for the untuned and tuned controller for the over-rated wind speed case is 8.1. For the nacelle surge motion, the ratio of the standard deviation applying the untuned and tuned controllers reaches 14.5. The ratios between the standard deviation of the bending moment at the tower-spar interface and at the blade root are 4.4 and 2.7, respectively, which means that the negative damping adversely affects the performance and structural integrity of the floating wind turbine. Reducing the standard deviation of the responses will increase the fatigue life of the system. The effect of the turbulence and fatigue life will be discussed in the future research.

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# LOADS AND DYNAMICS IN LATTICE TOWER SUPPORT STRUCTURES FOR OFFSHORE WIND TURBINES

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## BACKGROUND

The extremely ambitious political goals concerning extensive use of offshore wind energy result in an intense demand of research and development in this field. As an example, round 3 in UK could mean a need to install several thousands of offshore wind turbines within the next ten years. To be able to fulfil this goal, components for offshore wind farms has to be produced by mass production techniques and within reasonably short fabrication time. New node concepts might be of interest for more automated production of lattice towers. As a basis for such an investigation, loading and dynamic response by focusing on design of the nodes has been analysed with HAWC2 in this study.

## SUPPORT STRUCTURE CONCEPTS

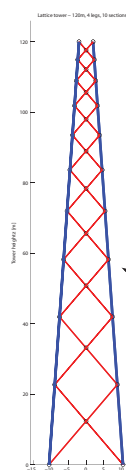
Where offshore wind turbines are planned to be installed in the intermediate water depths of 30-70m, bottom-fixed support structures might be used. One promising concept is the lattice tower type, due to less material use compared to other concepts like monopile or tripod structures. A lattice topology could be used for the entire support structure between sea bottom and turbine nacelle or for the lower part of the tower only.



Bottom-fixed support structure concepts for the intermediate water depth of 30-40m

## LATTICE TOWERS

Lattice towers are assembled from steel tubes, where legs and bracings are welded together in tubular joints. Legs and bracings are connected in K-joints, while bracings in the planes between the legs are connected in X-joints.

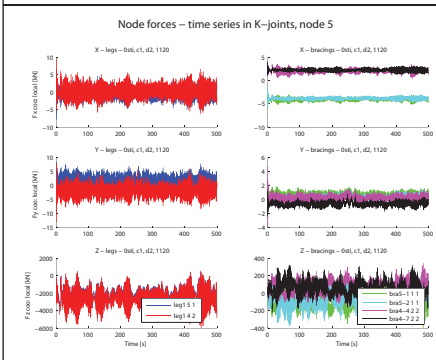


Joint geometry of nodes in lattice towers

## NODE ANALYSIS WITH HAWC2

A lattice tower support structure with 84 beam elements was modelled and analysed with HAWC2. Wind turbine and rotor configuration were taken from the NREL 5MW baseline turbine.

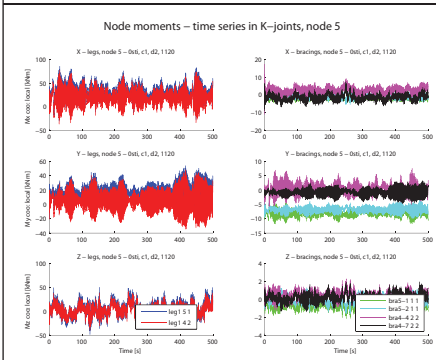
## NODE ELEMENT FORCES



Results from HAWC2 are obtained in time domain. The figure to the left shows an analysis of a complete K-joint in one leg at a specific node. The distribution of mean forces in one leg over the tower height is shown to the right, with standard deviation and min/max range. Absolute forces in z-direction are decreasing towards the tower top.

Mean forces in the bracing X-joints are more or less stable over the tower height, but standard deviation and min/max range are increasing towards the tower top.

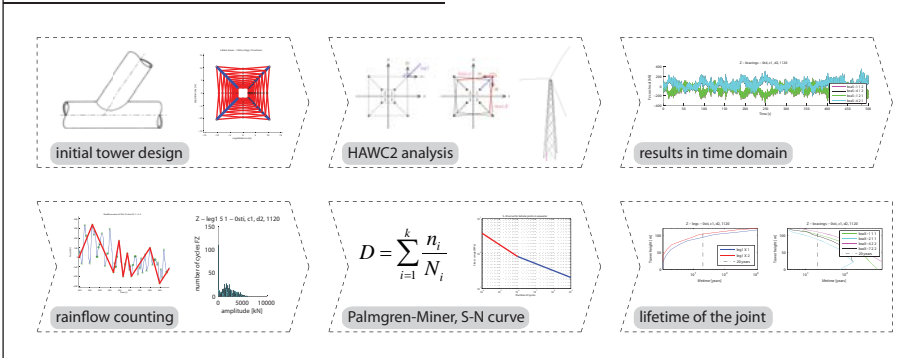
## NODE ELEMENT MOMENTS



From the same analysis, results for all member moments were extracted. Mean values over the tower height were found to be close to zero in the legs. However, the range of min/max values is increasing strongly towards the tower top. Moments in the highest tower nodes are dependent on the connection design of tower and nacelle.

For the bracing members in X-joints, only small moments were found, varying around a zero mean. Bracing members are mainly loaded by axial forces.

## FATIGUE ANALYSIS



## MEMBER DIMENSIONS

The initial tower design of this study was analysed with constant leg and bracing dimensions over the tower height. As expected, results from the fatigue analysis show that dimensions for the legs has to be increased towards sea bottom, while bracing dimensions has to be increased towards tower top. First calculations were based on a traditional node design with circular members intersecting each other. The shown load results will be used for the further analysis of new node designs, suitable for mass production of lattice towers.

## OBJECTIVES

New node concepts for lattice towers will be developed for the following purposes:

- lower total production costs
- faster production, towards mass production
- more automated production
- more reliable welding results
- prefabrication of components

If the complex fabrication of lattice towers can be solved in an effective way, this type might be a preferred solution for support structures in the future.



# Integrated Converter Design with Generator for Weight Reduction of Offshore Wind Turbines

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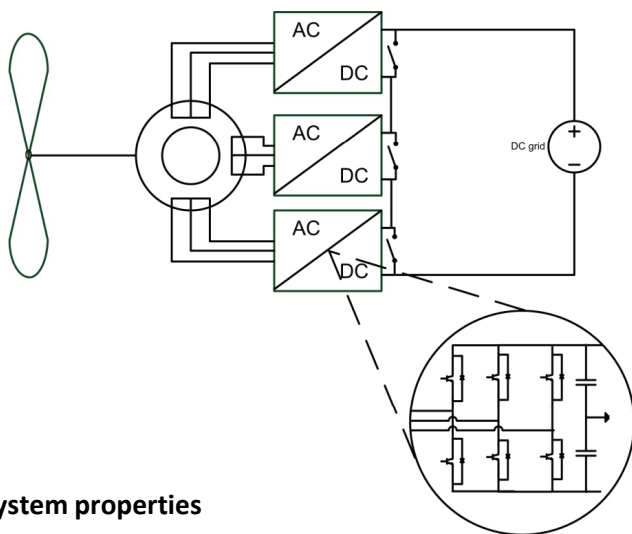
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**Motivation:** The expected increase in size of future offshore wind turbines poses new challenges to the electric drive. Due to the increased power, transformation to distribution level voltage (medium voltage) in the nacelle becomes necessary. However, the introduction of a 50 Hz transformer adds significantly to the top weight.

Therefore, this work aims to propose and investigate a power electronic converter solution which, together with a special generator design, can provide medium voltage without the transformer for large scale (10 MW) wind turbines.

Additionally, the project will follow up recent trends in research, by designing for a DC-collection grid within the offshore wind farm.

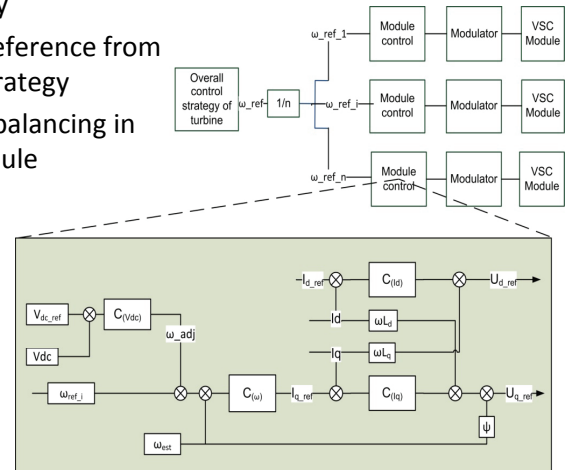


## System properties

- Generator with  $N$  isolated three-phase winding groups
- Each group - connected to AC/DC-converter module
- Converter module - Voltage source converter
- Crowbars for bypassing defect groups
- Weak coupling between phases
- DC-output of modules series connected => Build up output voltage
- Medium voltage DC-collection grid

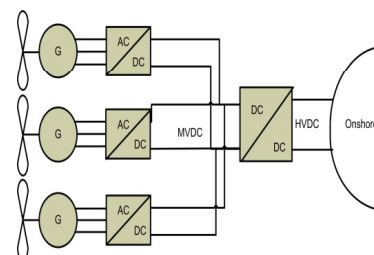
## Proposed control system

- Each module controlled separately
- Speed reference from overall strategy
- DC-bus balancing in each module



## Advantages of converter system

- Modular structure in generator and converter  
->redundancy
- VSC module can be changed – optimize for voltage levels and harmonic content
- Medium voltage output with no transformer
- Reduced capacitive energy storage



## DC-grid

- One conversion step less compared with AC-collection grid
- => Increased efficiency
- => Reduced converter cost

## Challenges – focus of work

- Balancing the DC-bus of each converter module
- Control under asymmetric operation
- Operation in a DC-grid – overall control strategy
- Impact of short circuit on the DC-side





# Remote presence, Operation and Maintenance of Offshore Wind Farms Without Leaving Your Office

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## Introduction

There are large areas with good wind conditions available for offshore wind farms, but they are unfortunately more expensive than wind farms on land. Operation and maintenance is one of the reasons for this, and it is estimated that O&M will contribute to 25%-30% of the total energy cost of offshore wind energy.

Reasons for the high costs are:

- Transporting personnel is expensive and time consuming, contributing to offshore operations costing 5-10 times more than operations on land.
- Equipment for heavy lifting is at least 10 times as expensive as on land.
- Offshore wind turbines are inaccessible in harsh weather.

To make offshore wind energy economically viable, technology to make it less expensive is required. The focus of our work is how **Remote Presence** can be used to reduce the number of expensive and time consuming maintenance visits, reducing the O&M cost.

## Remote Presence

Remote presence lets a user feel he is present at a remote location, meaning he can sense, move around in and interact with the environment there. This makes working there possible, even without travelling.

For sensing the remote location, sensors that mimic the user's senses is used:

- Camera for vision.
- Microphones for hearing.
- Gas/smoke detectors for smell.
- Temperature sensor for feeling heat.
- Vibration sensor.

Sensors can be placed on a mobile robot that acts on the behalf of the user at the remote location. The user can interact with the remote environment by controlling tools on the robot.

A completely realistic feeling of being at a remote location will be impossible to create without technology from science fiction movies like "Avatar" (as illustrated in figure 1).

A completely realistic experience is however not necessary, a limited system that are tailored to its specific task can be more effective and easier to use. Such systems could be beneficial in many applications where work has to be done at a location that is difficult to access or dangerous. On this poster the application in offshore wind energy is discussed.

## Remote Presence for Offshore Wind

The purpose of remote presence for offshore wind farms is to make it possible to do work onboard a wind turbine from land, reducing the need for expensive and time consuming transportation.

Examples of O&M tasks possible with remote presence are:

- Routine inspections.
- Planning maintenance operations.
- Confirming diagnosis from condition monitoring systems.
- Capture images for visual diagnostic
- Cleaning and lubrication.
- Preventive maintenance operations.



Figure 1: Illustration of remote presence inspired by Avatar

## System Design

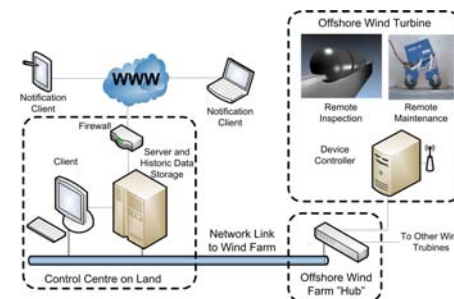


Figure 2: System design

In our design of a remote presence system there are two devices inside the nacelle of a wind turbine:

- **Remote Inspection Device** is a semi-mobile sensor platform moving on a rail installed in the roof and walls of the nacelle.
- **Remote Maintenance Robot** is fully mobile robot equipped with tools for doing maintenance tasks.

These devices are controlled by a **Device Controller**, either autonomously or based on commands from a technician on land using a **Client**. The different parts of the system and their interactions are described in figure 2.

## Future Plans for Remote Maintenance

For the future we plan to extend the system to also be able to do maintenance tasks remotely. For such tasks, proximity to the part being maintained is important, which is not possible with the limited mobility of the remote inspection device.

The following abilities will be necessary for a remote maintenance robot:

- Able to move freely.
- Ability to climb over obstacles and on walls.
- Be equipped with tools to do maintenance tasks.
- Local intelligence to avoid situations that are potentially dangerous for the robot or the wind turbine.
- Local intelligence to react to unforeseen events.

## Prototype



Figure 3: Remote inspection device

We have created a prototype of the remote inspection device, as seen in figure 3, to be used for further developments and to test the capabilities of such a system. A short demonstration rail have also be created for the device to move on. Figure 4 shows the prototype and the rail.

Some properties of the prototype:

- Able to know its position on the rail.
- Rack and pinion movement to avoid "spin" and make it easier to move vertically.
- Modular design, making it possible to give the device different abilities.
- Dual-rail solution for a stable platform able to carry heavy loads and operating robotic arms.
- Power supply through the rail, avoiding heavy and expensive batteries.



Figure 4: Prototype on rail

## Conclusions

Advantages using a remote presence system for O&M of offshore wind turbines:

- Preparing a remote operation takes seconds, while it can take days or even weeks to prepare an offshore operation.
- Experienced technicians can use their skills effectively, instead of wasting it in transit.
- Possible to do frequent routine inspection and maintenance, since remote operations are quick and inexpensive.
- Co-operation with condition monitoring system to increase its accuracy.
- Remote operations are possible even in harsh weather.
- Planning of larger operations that are not possible to do remotely.

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# Wind Turbine Power Performance Verification by Anemometer on the Nacelle

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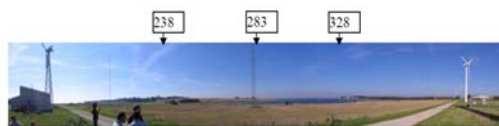
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The power curve verification is important for both power output optimization and contractual promising check for wind energy producers. However, the traditional power curve verification by IEC61400-12A is costly and time consuming due to the meteorological metmast tower installation on test sites. The newly published IEC61400-12B gives the possibility of verifying the power curve and AEP (Annual Energy Production) by the existing anemometers on the wind turbine nacelle. The purpose of this project is to investigate how is the validation of power performance method by IEC61400-12B under different weather conditions (wind shear / temperature / Turbulence intensity / wind direction variation) and different types of terrain (Complex or flat terrain at site).

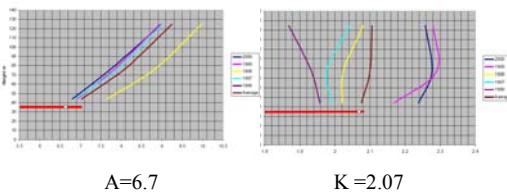


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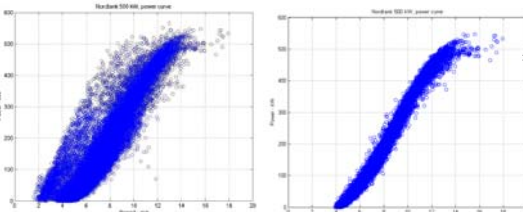
## Test Turbine and Test Site :



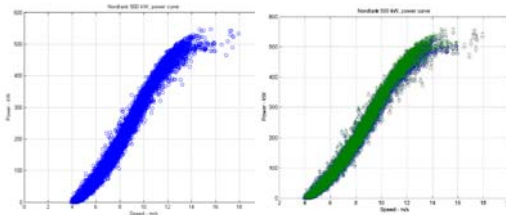
Determine free, undisturbed sectors. Surrounding landscape, terrain, obstacles influence power production.



## Unvalid Wind Direction Data Elimination.



Discard data where anemometer is within W1 downstream sector. Discard data affected by obstacles. Manually discard wrong data due to abnormal WT operation or measurement system errors.



$$t_2 = t + 273.15$$

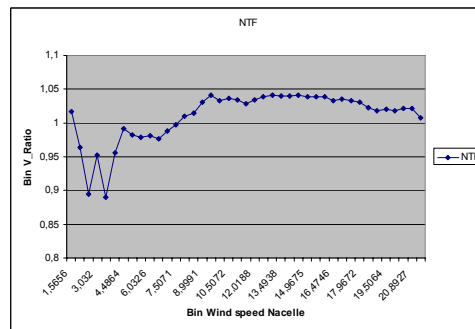
$$\rho = 1.225 \left( \frac{288.5}{t_2} \right)^4 \left( \frac{p}{1013.3} \right)$$

$$P_2 = P \left( \frac{1.225}{\rho} \right)^3$$

P2 = Power corrected to standard conditions (15°C, 1013 mBar)  
P = Uncorrected (measured) power  
ρ = Test air density  
t2 = Air temperature, degrees Kelvin  
t = t + 273.15, where  
t = air temperature (measured) in degrees C  
p = Barometric pressure (measured), mbar

## Nacelle Transfer Function (NTF)

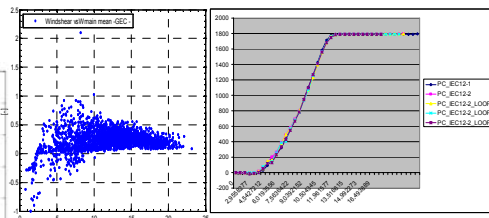
The NTF is the relationship between the measured wind speed on nacelle and the actual wind speed when it is free stream.



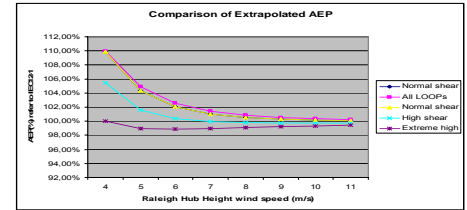
## Wind Shear's Influence to Power Curve & AEP

Wind shear is the change in wind speed or direction with height in the atmosphere. The data was divided into 3 groups, representing the different wind shear scope to compare the power curves.

Extreme high	≥0.4 (LOOP 3)
High	0.4> Wind Shear ≥0.3 (LOOP 2)
Normal	0.3> Wind Shear ≥0.1 (LOOP 1)
Low	0.1> Wind Shear

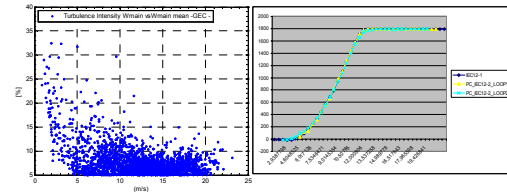


In the higher wind speed sections, different wind shear did not bring significant impact to the NTF based Power Curve. In lower wind speed, different wind shear brings slight deviation to power curve & AEP.



## Turbulence Intensity (TI) Influence to Power Curve

Low TI: (0, 8), Normal TI: (8, 15), High TI: (15, ∞)



## Turbulence Intensity distribution

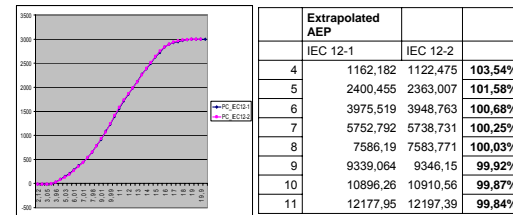
Extrapolated AEP							
	IEC 12-1	All LOOPS IEC 12-2		Low TI 0-8 IEC 12-2		Normal TI 8-15 IEC 12-2	
4	1030.48	1133.21	109.97%	1027.41	99.70%	1113.8	108.09%
5	2244.56	2355.23	104.93%	2235.01	99.57%	2312.77	103.04%
6	3698.97	3794.96	102.60%	3690.62	99.77%	3741.37	101.15%
7	5180.37	5255.64	101.45%	5174.99	99.90%	5198.32	100.35%
8	6549.01	6605.45	100.86%	6546.26	99.96%	6548.36	99.99%
9	7731.73	7773.37	100.54%	7730.88	99.99%	7718.58	99.83%
10	8692.33	8723.03	100.35%	8692.76	100.00%	8671.54	99.76%
11	9417.43	9440.22	100.24%	9418.66	100.01%	9392.43	99.73%

Different TI did not bring significant impact to the NTF

based Power Curve by IEC61400-12B.

## Complex Terrain NTF Analysis

Hilly test site presents obstacles and neighbouring WT. Site calibration was executed according IEC61400-12-1 due to topographical variations of complex terrain.



In complex terrain, different wind shear brings slight deviation to power curve & AEP.

## Conclusions:

- The IEC61400-12B power performance evaluation method has acceptable variation with IEC61400-12A.
- Different wind shear / temperature / Turbulence intensity / wind direction variation and different types of terrain (complex or flat) will NOT bring significant deviation to power curve & AEP. (less than 3.54% at wind speed 4m/s @ complex terrain.)

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# Grid Integration of Large Offshore Wind Energy and Oil& Gas Installations Using VSC-HVDC

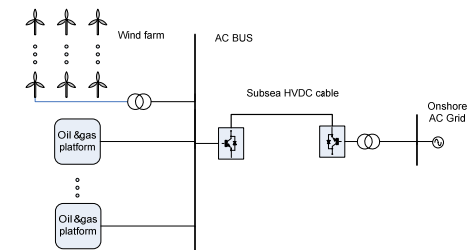
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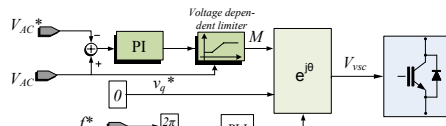
## Introduction:

Offshore wind energy will become an important energy source in the near future. On the other hand, the low efficiency of gas turbines or diesel engines at offshore oil & gas installations calls for alternative power supplies. Therefore it is necessary and possible to integrate oil installations and offshore wind farms to the onshore grid by single transmission link. This poster presents an analysis and fault mitigation methods of grid integration of offshore wind farms and oil & gas installations using Voltage Source Converter (VSC) HVDC.

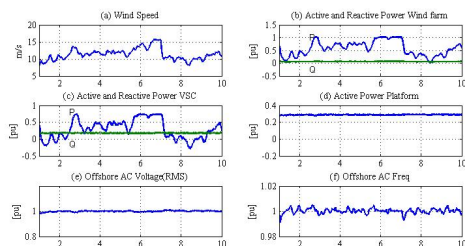
## VSC HVDC offshore transmission



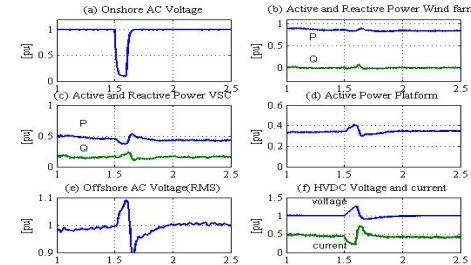
## Offshore AC Frequency Control



The fixed frequency control strategy is used. First, it enable the VSC to absorb the fast changing wind power generation and achieve bi-direction power transmission. Second, the extra power control loop is not needed, therefore, fast offshore communication systems are not necessary.



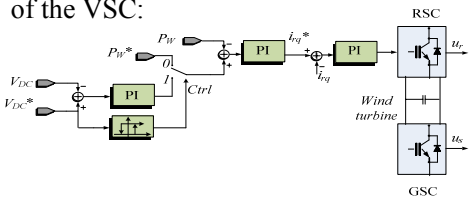
## Onshore grid fault:



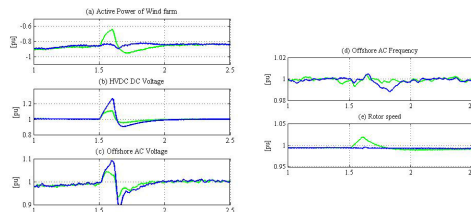
DC link over voltage and offshore AC voltage variation during onshore fault.

## DC link voltage control (DLVC):

An offshore AC grid voltage independent limiter is implemented in the ac voltage control loop via the modulation index (M) of the VSC:

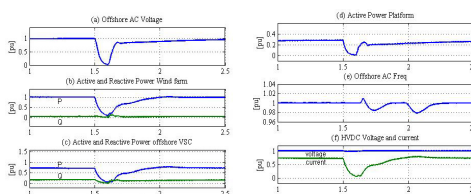


Proposed DC Link Voltage Controller

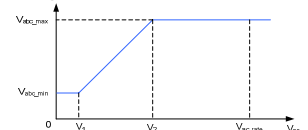


With DLVC controller presence, the HVDC DC voltage, offshore AC voltage and offshore AC frequency (green solid curves in upper figure a and b) peak values are smaller than the configuration without DLVC controller.

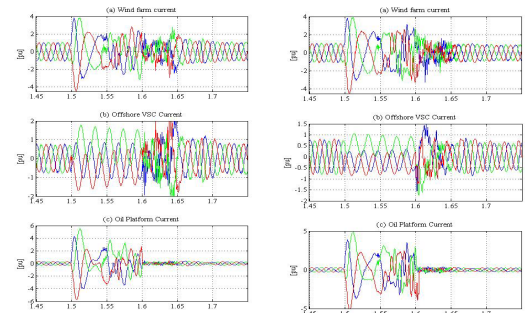
## Offshore AC Grid Fault Mitigation:



The exact design of the  $V_{ac}$  versus  $V_{vsc}$  curve in below figure is depends on the detailed VSC design and how fast the wind generation recovers from faults, in order to reach the active power balance in the offshore AC grid.



$V_{ac}$  vs  $V_{vsc}$  relationship in voltage dependent limiter.



Currents of wind farm, offshore VSC and oil platform (with ac voltage limitation 1.5 p.u. at offshore VSC)

Currents of wind farm, offshore VSC and oil platform (with ac voltage limitation 1.1 p.u. at offshore VSC)

## Conclusions:

Several faults mitigation control strategies for the offshore VSC HVDC grid integrating offshore wind farm and oil & gas installations has been proposed in this project stage, for example, the DC link voltage controller for onshore grid faults and the voltage dependent limiter for offshore AC grid faults. Simulation results in PSCAD show the satisfied performance.

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**Abstract:** There is a huge potential in producing electrical energy with offshore wind turbines. To fully release this economical and environmental potential, a significant decrease in initial investments as well as operational expenses must be realized. This work focuses on a foundation for efficient remote operations of offshore wind farms. The research challenge addressed in this work is to architect and develop an IT system for data integration to optimize remote operations of offshore wind farms.

Connection between concepts, its properties and relations

Concepts with semantics

Information provisioning (WP4)

Semantic model (WP2)

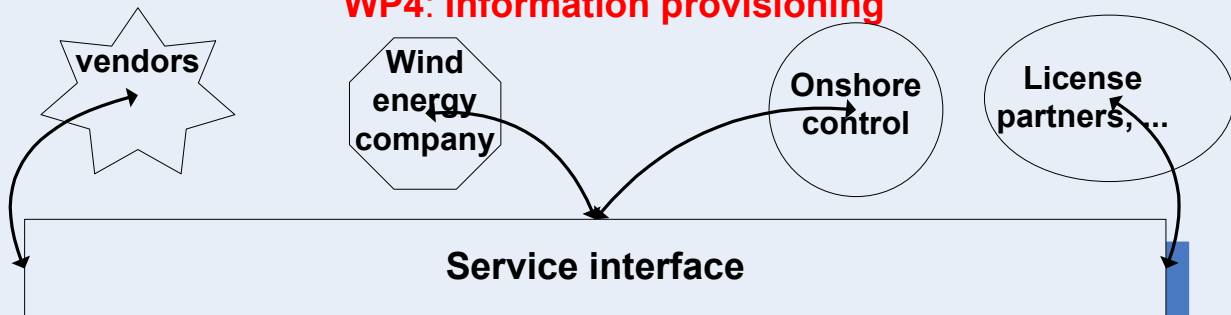
Data integration (WP3)

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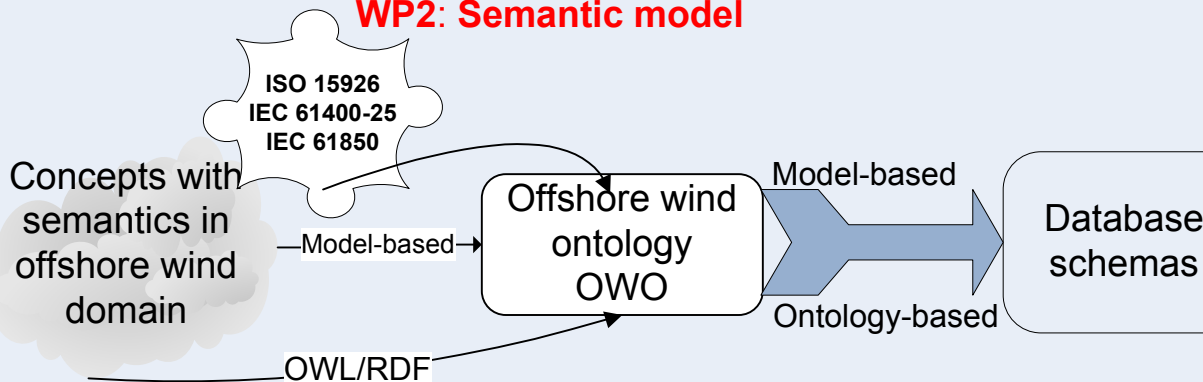
Information from various sources with different formats

### WP1: Reference architecture

#### WP4: Information provisioning

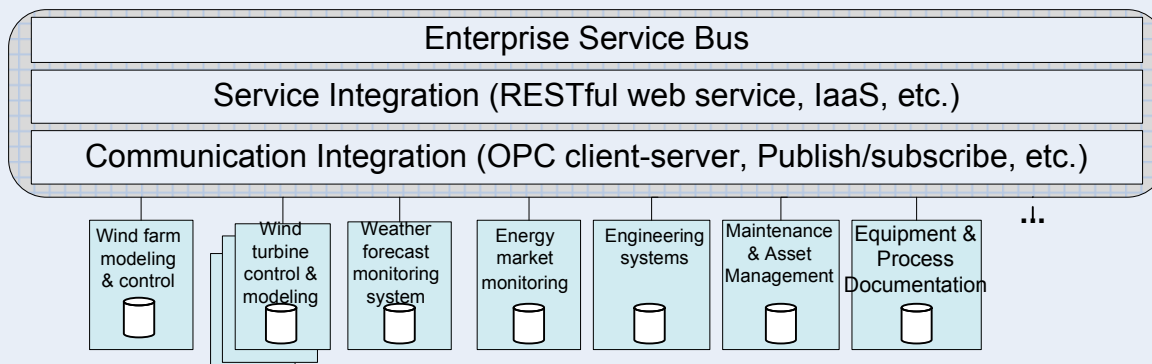


#### WP2: Semantic model



#### WP5: Security

#### WP3: Data Integration



**Conclusion:** As the outcomes of PhD project, we expect to get a working system that is able to secure cost-efficient operation of offshore wind turbines. In addition to that an offshore wind ontology (OWO) will be ready to use and opened for the future extension.



# Vortex Methods for Integrated Dynamic Analysis of Offshore Wind Turbines

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- ✓ What advantages does the vortex method provide compared to the Beam Element Momentum (BEM) Method?
- ✓ Which method is the best tool to be used on the next generation wind turbines?
- ✓ Can we develop a state-of-art vortex method for Horizontal Axis Wind Turbines (HAWT) and apply it in an integrated dynamic analysis of an offshore wind turbine?

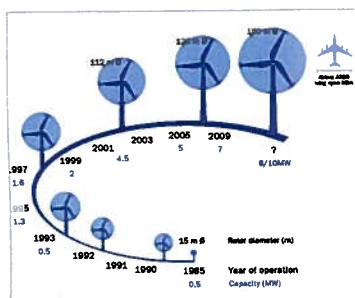


Figure 1: An illustration of the growth of wind turbines from 1985 to 2009, [1].

## Introduction and motivation

The size of wind turbines have increased significantly over the last years, see fig 1. This development has required more advanced design tools. Instead of simple static calculations (assuming a constant wind) advanced dynamic simulations are used.

Most codes that are used to perform such dynamic simulations rely on the Beam Element Momentum (BEM) method. The BEM method is very efficient, and provided that reliable airfoil data exist, yields fairly accurate results.

However, more advanced numerical models based on the Euler and Navier-Stokes equations are becoming so efficient that they have begun to replace the BEM method in some situations. In these approaches the flow field is modelled more directly, and less empirical input is required compared to the BEM method.

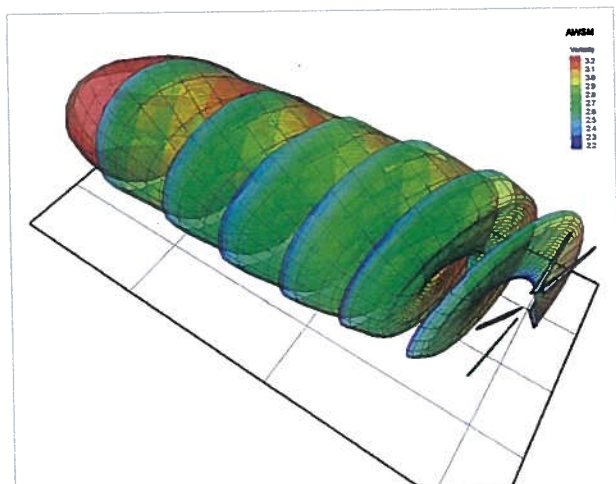


Figure 4: Wake modelling of a 5-bladed turbine in yawed flow by the vortex code AWSM. [4]

## Further work

A state-of-the-art review of the aeroelastic modelling of wind turbines using the vortex methods will be made. This includes evaluating existing vortex codes for aeroelastic modelling of wind turbines, such as AWSM, GENUVP and HAWTDAWG.

The aim of the study is to implement a vortex model based code in an integrated dynamic analysis of an offshore wind turbine.

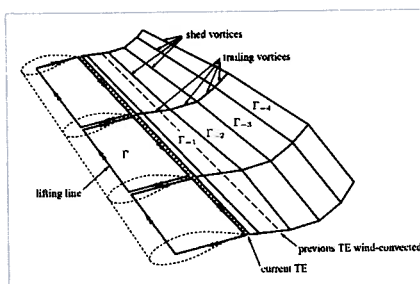


Figure 2: The wake geometry in AWSM [2].

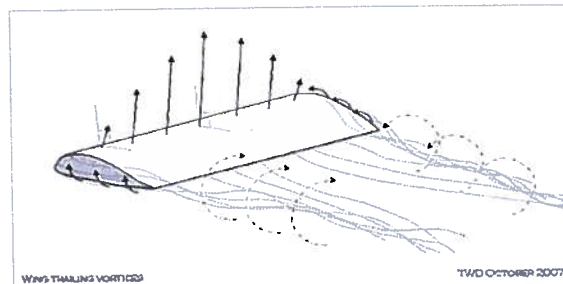


Figure 3: An illustration of wing trailing vortices. [5]

## A short description of the vortex model

Wind turbines are subjected to atmospheric turbulence, wind shear from the ground effect, wind directions that change both in time and in space, and effects from the wake of neighbouring wind turbines. These operating conditions experienced by the blades are an important part of the aerodynamic analysis, and can be implemented by using the vortex model.

In the vortex models the rotor blades and the wake are represented by lifting lines or surfaces. There are several methods to model the blade and the wake. In figure 2, blade is represented as a lifting line on which a grid of horseshoe vortices are superimposed. The velocities at an arbitrary point can be calculated using the law of Biot-Savart. [7]

The vorticity in the vortex models is usually limited to the modelled blades and the wake, the remaining flow is assumed inviscid. The fact that viscous forces are neglected has restricted the usage of such models on wind turbines. There are however full 3D models of viscous-inviscid interaction techniques that can be used in aeroelastic analysis. [8]

## Vortex codes and Horizontal Axis Wind Turbines

At the moment there exist some codes (based on vortex models) that are aimed at aeroelastic modelling of wind turbines. The most known codes are:

- AWSM (Energy Research Centre of the Netherlands), [2]
- GENUVP (NTUA, CRES)
- HAWTDAWG (University of Glasgow), [6]

An extended version of the vortex wake code HAWTDAWG, called Dynamic Prescribed Wake (DPW), has been built in to the aerodynamic code AERODYN and linked to the structural code FAST. Comparisons have been made with the DPW, the BEM and the Generalized Dynamic Wake (GDW) models built into AERODYN and to experimental results. The vortex wake model gives a better physical representation of a turbine wake than BEM and GDW, however the code needs further validation [6].

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# Atmospheric turbulence measurements close to the ocean surface

## BACKGROUND

In the last decade offshore wind parks have been placed close to the shoreline. Due to the increased demand of renewable energy the development of wind parks far offshore and for larger water depth has started. The main challenge is that up to now only very few and sporadic meteorological measurements are available for the highly required characterization of the marine atmospheric boundary layer (MABL) under real offshore conditions, e.g. from the German FINO platforms for shallow water and results from various campaigns using the U.S. research vessel FLIP.

Model results from Sullivan et al, 2008 indicate that ocean surface waves influence the lower part of the marine atmospheric boundary layer (MABL) in horizontal and vertical directions. Direct turbulence measurements of MABL turbulence will distinctly improve the understanding of the turbulent momentum transfer in the lower atmosphere and the corresponding exchange processes with the sea surface. For offshore conditions, this involves measurements from floating platforms, e.g. buoys or ships. Platform motions results in an extra peak in the power spectra that is usually approximated by a straight line (figure 2). This procedure can also remove real atmospheric motions induced by the wave field in the same frequency range. To overcome this issue we use a mathematical algorithm that transforms wind speed from a moving (floating) coordinate system to "actual" measured wind speeds in a fast reference system. In our approach, the collected data will be corrected for platform motion and orientation before the data analysis.

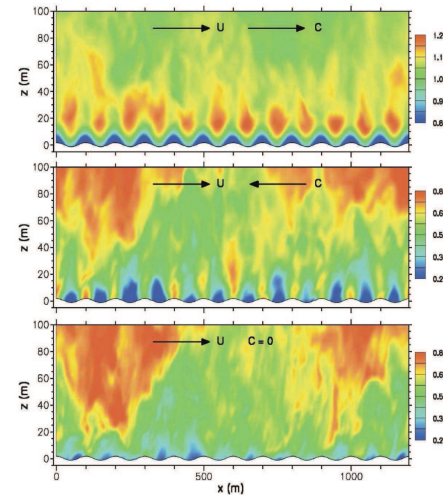


FIG. 5. Contours of the horizontal wind field for cases with moving and stationary surface waves. The non-dimensional field shown is  $W/U_{10}$  (top) Wind following waves; (middle) wind opposing waves; and (bottom) stationary bumps. For each case the geostrophic wind  $(U_g, V_g) = (15, 0) \text{ m s}^{-1}$  and the wave slope at  $x = 0$  is where the wave amplitude  $a = 1.6 \text{ m}$ . In the top and middle panels the wave phase speed  $c = 12.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . The color bar changes between the top and middle panels. Note the supergeostrophic winds near the surface in the top panel.

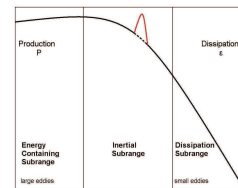


Figure 2: Sketch of the turbulence power spectra with (red) extra peak do to platform motion and its (dashed) straight line approximation.

Figure 1: Model results from figure 5 of Sullivan et al, 2008 suggesting an impact of ocean surface waves on the MABL in both horizontal and vertical directions.

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## THE SYSTEM

Two identical eddy correlation systems have been purchased via NORCOWE. At the moment the systems are assembled at the University of Ireland in Galway. Software adaption and the first test of the components have been performed in December 2010. The planned take over and the first tests of the complete system is planned for the beginning of 2011.

### System components

The Sonic anemometer is a Gill R3A-100

- Sampling rate up to 100Hz
- Both binary and ASCII output available
- Can provide an average of a fixed number of readings

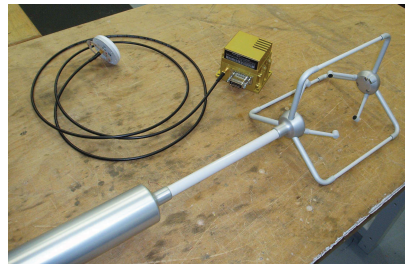


Figure 3: The systems Gill R3A-100 and the Crossbow NAV440 with GPS antenna.

The attitude information is provided by the Crossbow NAV440

- Integrated GPS and Attitude & Heading Reference system (AHRS)
- Utilizes low drift based MEMS-based inertial sensors with GPS
- Data output provided at rates of >100Hz

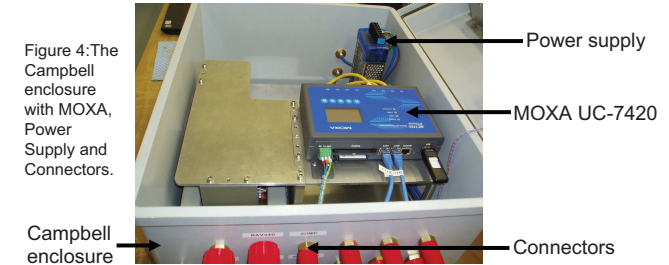


Figure 4: The Campbell enclosure with MOXA, Power Supply and Connectors.

The industrial computer MOXA UC-7420 acts as data logging and control unit for the system:

- RISC based ready-to-run LINUX computer
- 8 RS-232/422/485 serial ports
- PCMCIA interface for WLAN communication
- CompactFlash and USB-port for adding external memory
- Using WLAN all recorded data is send to an external PC and saved on its hard disk

The UC-7420 and the power supply (+15V) for all sensors will be housed in an Campbell ENC 16/18 enclosure. The NAV440 will be housed inside a watertight box at the sensor head. Cables will run between the Campbell enclosure and the sensor head.

## Outlook

The system will first be used in short test campaigns, first in the laboratory, than on land and finally close to the shore at sea. Later on it is planned to mount the system on a moored buoy a few kilometers off the Norwegian coast. A third similar system is operated aboard the Irish research vessel R/V Celtic Explorer. A mathematical algorithm that transforms wind speed from a moving (floating) coordinate system to "actual" measured wind speeds in a fast reference system has been provided by James Edson, University of Connecticut, for adaption to the project. In addition, a data set from the Air Sea Interaction Tower (ASIT) and a nearby meteorological buoy off the coast of Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts, are also available for the advancement of the motion correction code. Collaborations with the turbulence groups of Brain Ward from the National University of Ireland and James Edson from the University of Connecticut have been established. This enables us to have joint field campaigns in both Norway, Ireland and the USA.

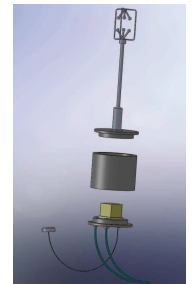


Figure 5: Overview of the systems sensor head.

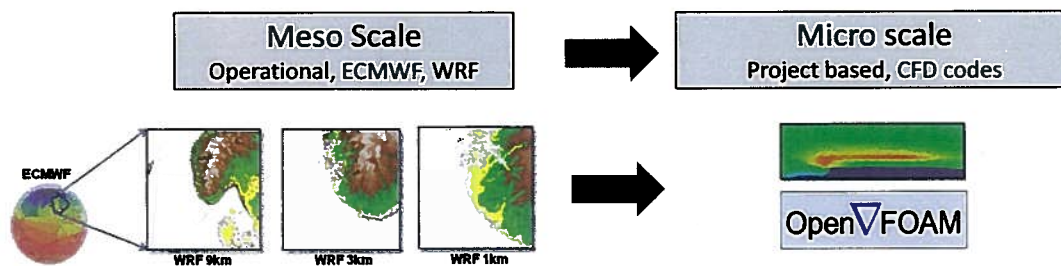


# Improved energy forecast for Offshore Wind farms

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- ✓ What environmental input data do the engineers need for operations and maintenances and in order to ensure reliable design? How can meteorologist and oceanographers best forecast these input data?
- ✓ Ensure improved energy forecast by combining the meteorological and oceanographic 'macro and meso scale world' with the structural engineering and material sciences 'micro scale world'.



## Motivations;

- ✓ The air and sea interact and exchange momentum, heat and gases in the Marine Boundary Layer (MBL) in a complex way. This air-sea interaction depends in a sensitive way on the sea state.
- ✓ Accurate wind estimations requires high quality offshore wind forecast and this will depend on a fine scale coupled model system that incorporates the air-sea interaction.
- ✓ MetOcen modeling is essential for both assessment (hindcast) and for operation and maintenance. Do we need to account for stability and changing sea surface roughness in design calculations and for energy forecasts?
- ✓ Idealized studies of air-sea interaction gives guidelines on how to set up an operational fine scale coupled model system. With such a system it will be possible to minimize power loss and perform correct load calculations.
- ✓ With a new and better understanding of the air-sea interactions it is important that the most representative input parameters to various dynamical response tools and the most representative boundary condition for the CFD simulations is used.

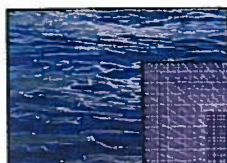
- ✓ There is a limit for when it is cost efficient and useful to use dynamical and coupled MetOcean models at very fine resolution.

## Tasks;

- Review of relevant literature
- Investigate who roughness and stability is interpreted in the standards for Offshore Wind turbines (IEC 61400-3). Identify gaps between "best knowledge" (science) and "best practice" (codes, standards)
- Simulate possible increased loads/fatigue due to changing roughness and stability over sea surface.
- Simulate wind effects in OpenFoam over different surface (set up from Bolund Experiment) and with moving grid (wave - set up from Sullivan et al.)
- Suggest the optimal configuration of an operational model set up in order to maximize quality forecast for both forecasting and nowcasting and within feasible computational time.



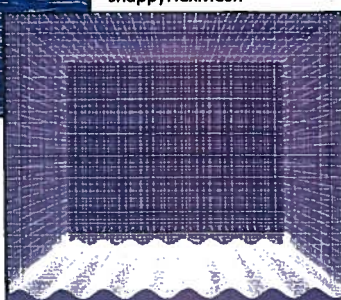
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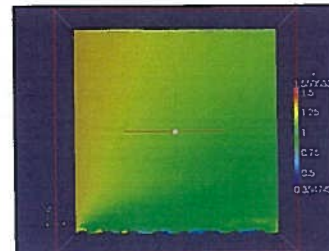
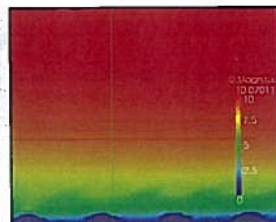
Wave surface generation code from AconaWellPro



Bolund mesh created by the use of openFoam's snappyHexMesh



Idealized sinusoidal wave, mesh created by the use of openFoam's snappyHexMesh. It creates unstructured mesh of polyhedral cells.



OpenFOAM is a open source Computational Fluid Dynamic (CFD) software package. It uses finite volume numerics and is based on a flexible set of C++ modules.

Preliminary wind flow simulations over Bolund hill. Turbulent kinetic energy and pressure are calculated by the use of openFoam (simpleWindFoam and kEpsilon turbulence model)

Preliminary openFoam simulation. Wind flow over wave surface. Wind speed, and turbulent kinetic energy.



# Series Connection of Offshore Wind Turbines

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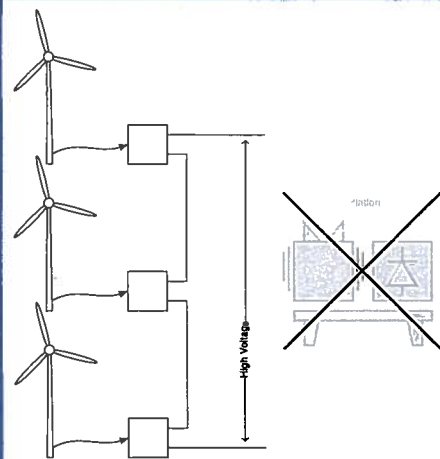
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## Introduction

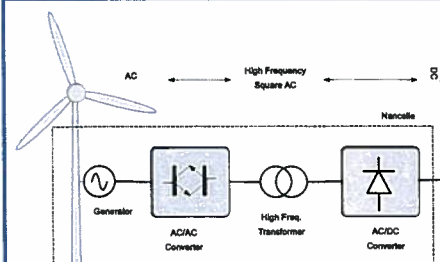
**S**ERIES connection of wind turbines is a promising topology for offshore grids. However, it carries with technological challenges which needs to be further studied: variation in the wind velocity causes variations in the output power and therefore in the output voltage. As a result of that, a wide variation capability of output voltage is required in each turbine and a coordinated control must be developed. The objectives of this research include to develop an optimal power flow for series connection of offshore wind farms in order to extract maximum power.

## Why Series Connection ?



- Losses in the offshore grid are as low as the losses in the transmission stage since the current is the same.
- The investment could be reduced since the length of cable is shorter than in parallel connection and the offshore platform might not be required.
- Potential to improve the efficiency and overall weight.

## Converter Technology



### Objectives:

- Size and weight reduction
- Increase efficiency
- Increase reliability

## Model

A simple way to control the entire system, is to guarantee equal power generated by each turbine. However, imposing proper constraints, it is also possible to use an optimal load flow algorithm to maximize the power on shore and minimize losses as follow:

$$\max P_T = \sum_k \sum_m P_{km} - \sum_k R_k \cdot I_k^2 - R_L \cdot I_L^2 \quad (1)$$

subject to

$$U_{onshore} = U_{offshore} - R_L \cdot I_L \quad (2)$$

$$U_{offshore} = \sum_m U_{km} - R_k \cdot I_k \quad (3)$$

$$I_L = \sum_k I_k \quad (4)$$

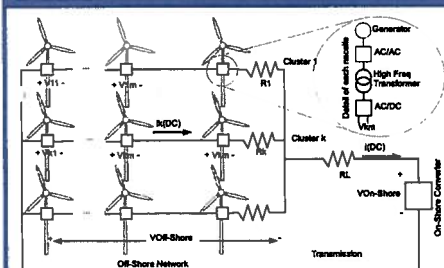
$$P_{km} = V_{km} \cdot I_k \quad (5)$$

$$U_{km(min)} \leq U_{km} \leq U_{km(max)} \quad (6)$$

$$P_{km(min)} \leq P_{km} \leq P_{km(max)} \quad (7)$$

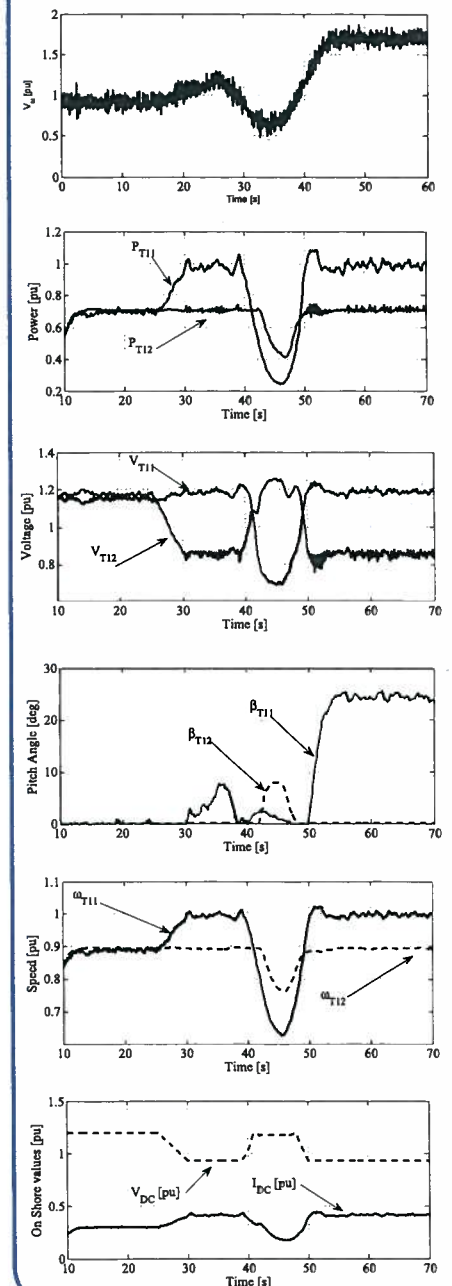
$$P_{km(max)} = \begin{cases} \left( \frac{V_w}{V_{w(nom)}} \right)^3 & V_w \leq V_{w(nom)} \\ 1 \text{ pu} & V_w > V_{w(nom)} \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

## Cluster



Cluster topology could increase the reliability of the system holding the advantages of both series and parallel connections.

## Results



## Conclusions

A coordinated control is required for series connected wind turbines which takes into account the electrical constraints of this type of connection. Conventional maximum tracking point needs to be replaced by an optimal power flow, which takes into account not only the maximum transferred power but also the electrical constraints.

The most clear advantage of series connection is the reduction of the off shore grid losses and the substation platform avoidance. Furthermore, in the present concept no platform will be required offshore and less cable is used. The voltage limits in one turbine could impose power limits in the other turbines when the wind velocity is different between them. Therefore, series connection is a promising alternative if the covariance in the wind velocities are close to zero.



# WAVE EXTREMES IN THE NORTHEAST ATLANTIC

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## Objective

The main objective of this study is to compute 100-year return values of significant wave height ( $H_s$ ) using a new hindcast developed by the Norwegian Meteorological Institute. This regional hindcast covers the Northeast-Atlantic and spans the period 1958-2009.

The return value estimates are based upon three different approaches within classical extreme value theory, i.e. the Generalized Extreme Value (GEV) distribution, the  $r$ -largest order statistics and the Generalized Pareto (GP) distribution. Here, we investigate the qualitative difference between the estimates and their corresponding confidence intervals.

## Norwegian Reanalysis - NORA10

NORA10 (Norwegian ReAnalysis 10 km) is the latest contribution to the series of wave hindcasts developed by the Norwegian Meteorological Institute, see Reistad et al. (2007, 2010). This regional hindcast utilizes boundary conditions obtained with the ERA-40 reanalysis (Uppala et al., 2005) (1958 - August 2002) and is extended using EC-analysis (September 2002 - 2009), producing three hourly wave fields at 10 km grid spacing for the period 1958-2009. For wave simulations a modified version of the WAM cycle 4 (Komen et al., 1996) is run on the same grid as 10km HIRLAM model, nested inside a larger 50 km WAM-model, see Figure 1. No wave energy is advected into the model domain of the WAM50, only wind dependent wave spectra are set at the boundaries.



Figure 1: Outer domain: WAM50. Inner domain: WAM10/HIRLAM10 - hindcast area.

## Preliminary conclusions and further work

We obtain fairly similar 100-year return value estimates of  $H_s$  using three different statistical approaches, however, we see a few local exceptions we want to investigate further. Primarily, we see an increased precision in the confidence intervals when utilizing methods of increased data subsets, like the POT approach and the  $r$ -largest order statistics.

Future emphasis will be made on the POT approach and ways to optimize the threshold selection. Finally, a qualitative comparison of the three methods will be made using different goodness-of-fit tests.

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## Method

The following analysis is based on the extreme value theory presented in Coles (2001). We are using two different but closely related families of distributions, determined by the selection of data subset, i.e.:

- The Generalized Extreme Value (GEV) distribution:

$$G(z) = \exp \left\{ - \left[ 1 + \alpha \left( \frac{z - \mu}{\sigma} \right)^{-1/\xi} \right]^{-1/\xi} \right\} \quad (1)$$

, where  $z$  represents the wave height and  $\xi$ ,  $\sigma$ , and  $\mu$  are the shape, scale and location parameters of the distribution function, respectively.

- The Generalized Pareto (GP) distribution:

$$H(z_0) = 1 - \left( 1 + \frac{\xi z_0}{\sigma} \right)^{-1/\xi} \quad (2)$$

$$\bar{\sigma} = \sigma + \xi(u - \mu) \quad (3)$$

, where  $z_0 = z - u > 0$  and  $u$  represents a relative large threshold.

## Return value plots:

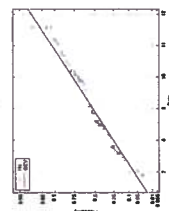


Figure 2: Annual maximum/GEV

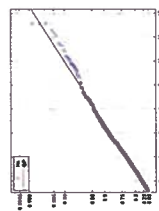


Figure 3: POT/GP

## Distribution fitting

We utilize the maximum likelihood in our parameter estimation, i.e. maximizing the likelihood function  $L$  iteratively, or preferably minimizing the negative log-likelihood equation  $l$

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f_i(z_i; \theta) \Rightarrow -l(\theta) = -\log L(\theta) = -\sum_{i=1}^n \log f_i(z_i; \theta) \quad (4)$$

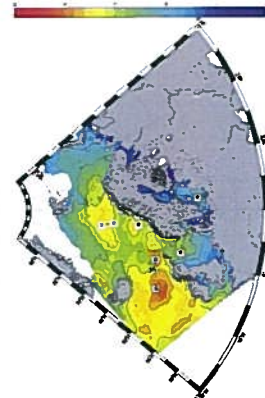
, where  $f_i$  represents the probability density for each  $z_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , defined by the distribution parameters  $\theta(\xi, \sigma, \mu)$ .

## Data subsets

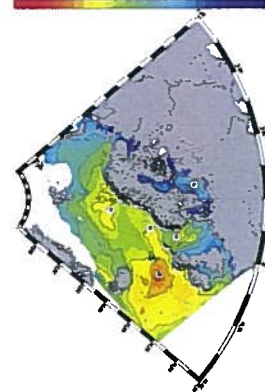
- Annual maximum  $\rightarrow$  GEV  
1 entry per year
- $r$ -largest order statistics  $\rightarrow$  GEV (modified likelihood function  $L$ )  
2-7 entries per year (based on the likelihood ratio test)
- Peaks-over-threshold (POT)  $\rightarrow$  GP  
 $\sim$  6-60 entries per year (based on the mean residual life plot)

## 100-year return value estimates of significant wave height

### Annual maximum/GEV



### $r$ -largest order statistics/GEV



### POT/GP

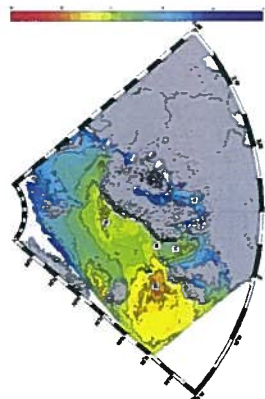


Figure 4: Top: best estimate  
Bottom: 5% and 95% confidence limits.

Figure 5: Top: best estimate  
Bottom: 5% and 95% confidence limits.

Figure 6: Top: best estimate  
Bottom: 5% and 95% confidence limits.



# Response of Tension Leg Configuration subjected to wave & aerodynamic thrust loading

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## Introduction

In order to tap the wind potential available in the deep sea, floating offshore wind turbine configurations have been proposed, which needs mathematical tools to accurately predict the hydro-aero-servo-elastic loads on wind turbine and platform.

For the initial computations, a Tension Leg Platform (TLP) configuration has been chosen.

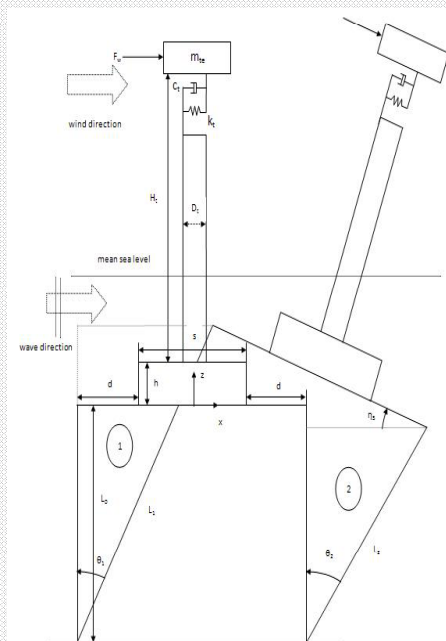
## Proposed Location – wave & wind climate

Parameter	Value
Significant wave height	7 m
Peak period	10 s
Water depth	200 m
Annual avg. wind speed	8-10 m/s
Predominant wind direction	W, SW

## Assumptions

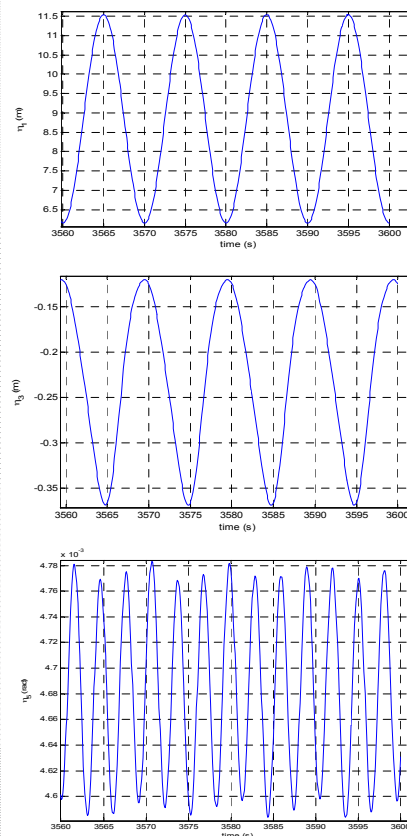
- Platform is rigid, having 6 DOF. In 2D, these reduce to *surge*, *heave* and *pitch*.
- Tendons are *extensible*.
- Tower bending *flexibility* considered.
- Airy wave theory for *irregular* waves.
- Wave loads – Morison's equation.

## Initial Configuration

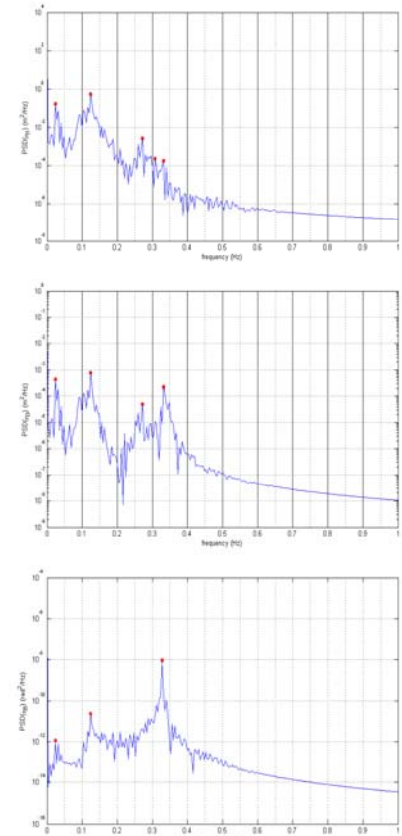


## Results

### Regular wave + ramped thrust – time domain response



### Irregular wave + ramped thrust – frequency domain response



### Comparison of Results – Ramped thrust case

		Regular $H = H_s/2$	Irregular $H = H_s$
$\eta_1$ (m)	Mean	8.875	9.0
	Max.	11.5	11.25
	SD	1.91	0.74
$\eta_3$ (m)	Mean	-0.25	-0.23
	Max.	-0.375	-0.35
	SD	0.09	0.04
$\eta_5$ (rad/°)	Mean	0.005/0.27	0.005/0.27
	Max.	0.005/0.27	0.005/0.28
	SD	6.6E-5/ 0.004	6.2E-5/ 0.004

## Conclusions

- The coupled dynamic model has been implemented.
- Results verified under static conditions.
- The dynamic responses are complying with that in the literature.

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# Challenges in the Reliability and Maintainability Data Collection for Offshore Wind Turbine

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## Introduction

- More Wind available offshore
- Complex Operation & Maintenance
- Social reasons

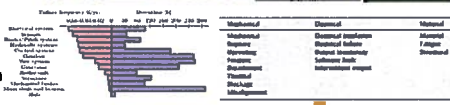
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2006	0.2	1.2	3	3	25500	0.0
2015	12.8	34	3.6	42	21300	0.2
2020	62.4	57	4.0	160	23800	0.6
2030	254.1	19.5	9.5	820	29710	3.8
2050	775.2	5.5	18.4	2550	40100	6.4

(J. Teitel, et al, "Offshore wind turbines")

## Failures in Wind Turbine

### Failures occurs in Wind Turbine

- Higher failures
  - Electrical system
  - Sensors
  - Blades/Pitch



### Failure Mechanism

### Effects

Failure	Consequence	Effects
1. Gearbox failure	Reduced power output	Increased maintenance costs
2. Main shaft and bearing failure	Reduced power output	Increased maintenance costs
3. Yaw system failure	Reduced power output	Increased maintenance costs
4. Blade failure	Reduced power output	Increased maintenance costs

(Hoseynabadi et al, 2010)

## Need for database

- Failure behavior of offshore wind turbines is still under investigation!
- Logistics, Accessibility weather dependent
- Expensive and complex maintenance in offshore
  - Higher lifting costs in offshore (at least 5 times more)



## Objectives of database

- Collect and exchange operating experience
- Promote reliability engineering
- Develop a reference for the collection and analysis of reliability data
- Develop cost-efficient data collection methods and tools
- Feedback of operating experience to the equipment manufacturers
- Co-operate with other organizations and research

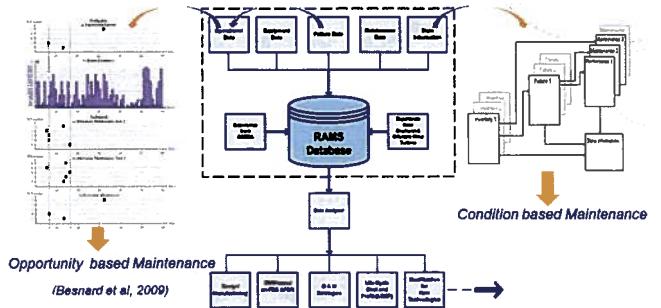
## Existing database

- WindStats Newsletter** – Denmark & Germany (quarterly, 7000 WT)
  - Failure data are specified per component (e.g. yaw system, gearbox, brake), but not per wind turbine size or type
  - Every month failures, but not always failure causes, of about 7000 turbines are reported
- LWK** – Germany (yearly, >650 WT, closed 2006)
  - Contains output data and number of failures per system of all WTs
- WMEP** – Germany (yearly, >1500 WT, closed 2006)
  - Detailed information about reliability and availability of WTs
  - The most reliable characteristic values regarding reliability (MTBF, MTTR)
- Vindstat (VPC)** – Sweden (yearly, 723 WT before 2005)
  - Production and downtime, provides information for wind power
  - Incomplete reporting which made the statistical processing invalid
- VTT** – Finland (yearly, 105 WT)
  - Contains data of performance, failures, and downtimes for wind power plants
  - Quality of the data might be insufficient for making conclusions
  - Failure reporting is mandatory
- OWMEP for Offshore Wind Turbines**
  - Concept stage
  - Partly included O & M aspects
  - Aiming at implementing reliability techniques



## Proposed database

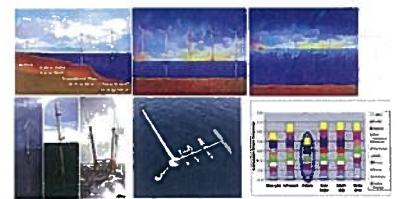
### RAMS Database (Reliability, Maintainability, Availability, and Safety)



(Bernard et al, 2009)

## Challenges

### Adaptability with novel concepts



(Bussell et al, )

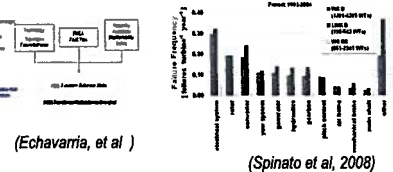
### Maintenance Optimization

- Dynamic grouping
  - Preventive and corrective maintenance costs are required

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Total Savings 111 Planned Shutdown 21%  
(Hameed et al, 2010)

- Cost effective
- Self Maintenance Machine
- Efficiency tool enhancement
- Failure rate estimation
  - Quality and accuracy
  - Measuring and predicting the reliability
- Clear definition of data boundaries
- Anonymity of data suppliers
- Competitor rivalries
  - Don't want to work together
- Comparability
- Wake effect on failure rates
- Mistakes and startup problems
- Experiences from other relevant industries



(Spinato et al, 2008)

## Conclusions

- RAMS database will act as reliability enhancement tool
- Design improvement
- Access, logistics and transportation issues could be planned in an accurate way in offshore environment

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# Control and Operation of Multiterminal HVDC for Market Integrated Offshore Wind Farms

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**Abstract**—The North Sea area has a great potential for exploiting vast amount of offshore wind energy. A multiterminal HVDC (MTDC) connection can provide a suitable grid integration solution for the offshore wind farms and at the same time can create electricity market opportunities between all onshore and offshore MTDC connected points.



Figure 1: Early stage scenario of multiterminal HVDC in the North Sea

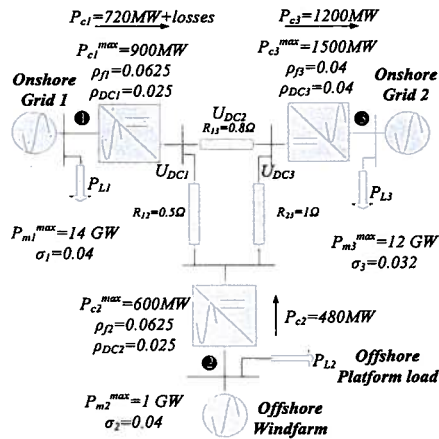


Figure 2: A three terminal HVDC model used for simulation

## Salient Features of the Employed MTDC Grid Control Scheme

- Dc voltage droop control for instantaneous balancing power inside the MTDC
- Frequency droop control employed for the converter terminals
- No need for communication between terminals

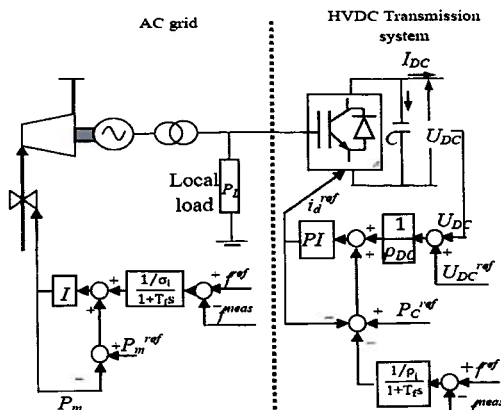


Figure 3: Complete schematic of the VSC-HVDC terminal controller

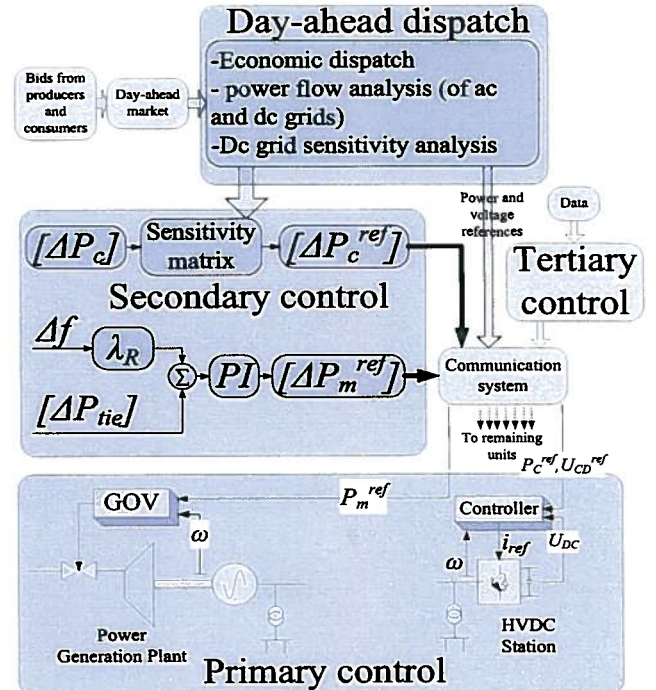


Figure 4: Flow chart showing operation of MTDC in a market integrated system

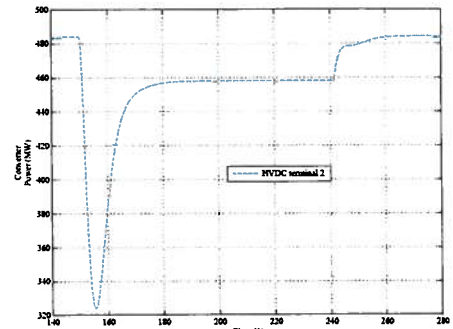


Figure 5: Time response of HVDC terminal power for load changes and the effect of secondary control

## Conclusions

- Robust control of MTDC has been achieved by dc voltage droop control.
- No need of fast communication between terminals for instantaneous power balancing under normal operations.
- Primary and secondary control of MTDC integrated has been system demonstrated.
- MTDC can be readily operated based upon the electricity market.



# Analysis of Atmospheric Boundary Layer of Frøya Test Site

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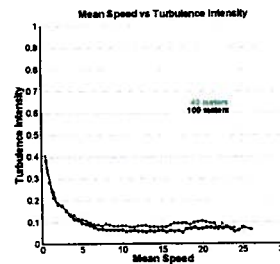
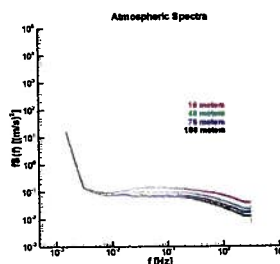
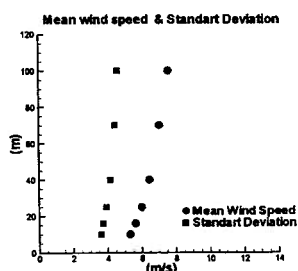
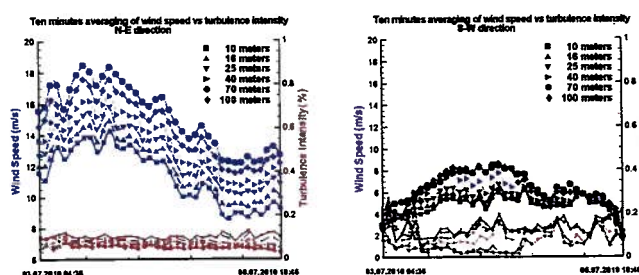
## 1. LOCATION

Skipheia is wind measuring station in Titran, Frøya, run by NTNU which is located on the south west tip of Frøya (Sør Trøndelag). The station is 200 km away from Trondheim and NTNU. It is highly exposed to ocean winds.



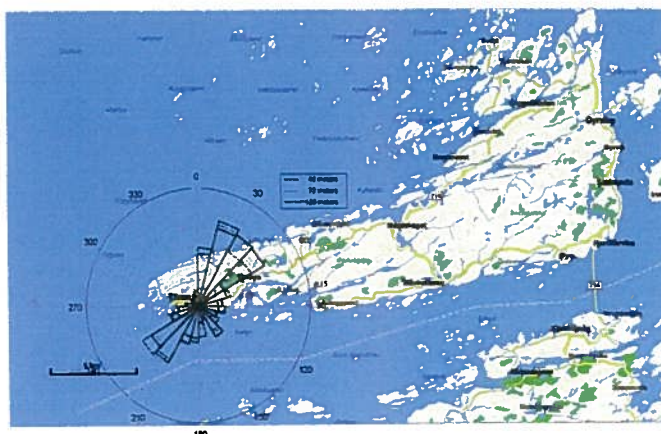
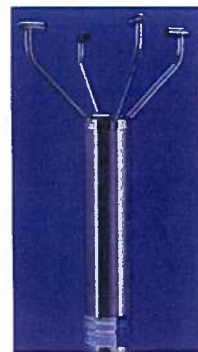
## 3. RESULTS

- **Directional distribution**
- **Ten minutes averaging:** Influence of wind direction on stability.
- **Ten minutes averaging:** Velocity components and turbulence intensity patterns.
- **Turbulence:** Turbulence intensity and standard deviation variation at different levels.
- **Atmospheric Spectra:** Comparison of different levels.



## 2. FACILITIES

- Three masts: 2 x 100m , 1 x 45m
- Additional Mast (45m) in nearby island
- Twelve anemometers, two at each level
- Temperature sensor at each level
- Lidar (Light Detection and Ranging)
- Measurement cottage
- **Lidar**
  - **Frequency** : one 3D velocity vector every 1.1s
  - **Vertical resolution**: max 10 altitudes (40 ~200m)
  - **Probed length**: 20m
  - **Reported accuracy**: 0.2 m/s
  - **Range**: 46 m/s
- **Ultrasonic Gill Anemometers**
  - **Range**: 0 – 65 m/s
  - **Accuracy**:  $\pm 2\%$  @ 12 m/s
  - **Resolution**: 0.01 m/s
  - **Offset**:  $\pm 0.01$  m/s



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## **D) Operations & maintenance**

The German wind turbine reliability database (WMEP),  
Jochen Bard, Fraunhofer IWES

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Prof John D Sørensen, Uni. of Aalborg

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WMEP

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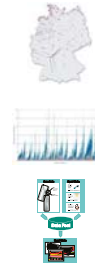
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- WMEP
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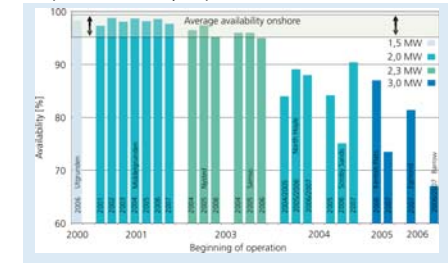
### Starting Point:

Modern wind turbines achieve high availability

Number of faults cause unplanned downtimes

→ high maintenance efforts and costs

Offshore: drop of availability expected

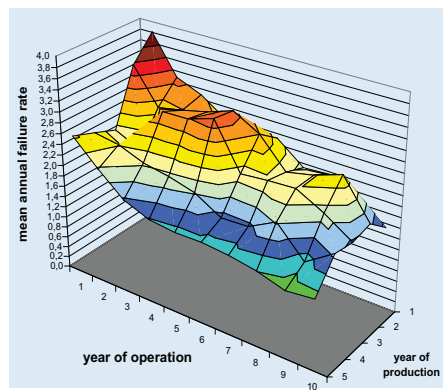


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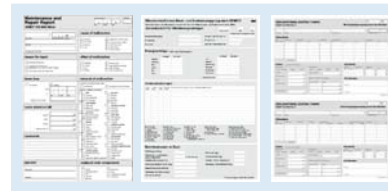


## WMEP

### Scientific Measurement and Evaluation programme WMEP

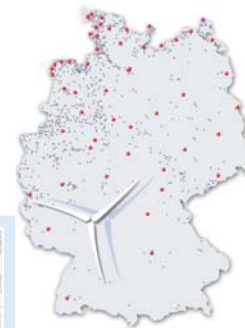
„250 MW Wind“ (1989-2006)

193.000 monthly operation reports  
and 64.000 Incident reports  
from 1.500 wind turbines



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## WMEP

### Dissemination:

- Wind Energy Report (yearly published, 2010 coming soon)

- Internetportal  
[www.windmonitor.de](http://www.windmonitor.de)

- Project Homepage  
[www.offshore-wmep.de](http://www.offshore-wmep.de)



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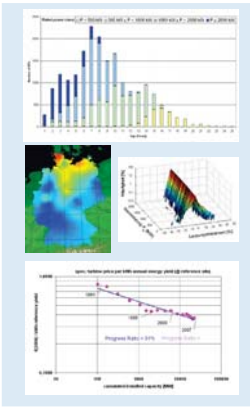
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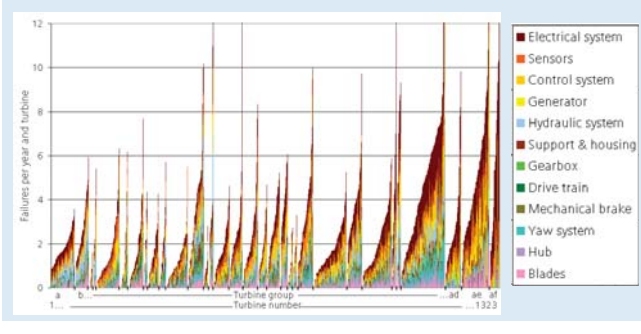
- Research topics:
- Development and state of wind energy use
  - Site & Turbine development
  - External conditions
  - Grid Integration
  - Economics
  - Reliability and availability



Reliability of wind turbines

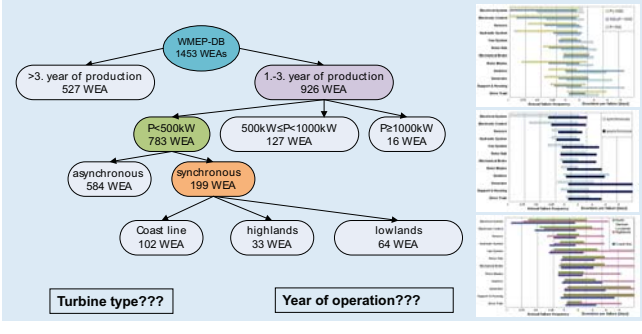
$$\lambda = \frac{\sum n}{T}$$

*n*: number of failures  
*T*: Time of operation  
*n* = n(failure cause, Subassembly)



Appropriate Failure Statistics

■ For differential analysis distinctions regarding size, technical concepts, site conditions, etc. must be made



Reliability based maintenance

Increasing availability:

- extending uptime
  - increasing reliability of turbine and sub-assemblies
- reducing downtime
  - qualified maintenance
  - efficient strategies for spare parts
  - additional preventive measures

Basis for reliability based maintenance is

- structured reliability characteristics
  - validated maintenance costs
- in consideration of operating conditions (reference values)

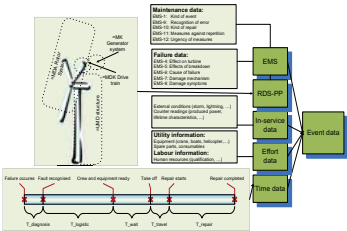
→ Accurate and detailed documentation, consistent labelling of sub-assemblies, and unified description of events are needed

Appropriate Failure Statistics

For reliability based maintenance it is essential to know

- structured reliability characteristics
- validated maintenance costs

taking into account the operating conditions (reference values).



Thus,

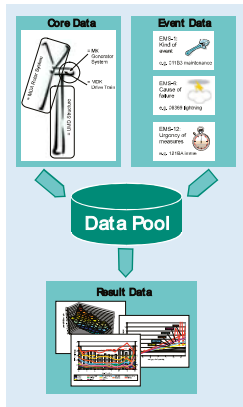
- Accurate, detailed documentation
- Consistent naming of components
- Unified description of irregularities and activities are needed.

Offshore~WMEP



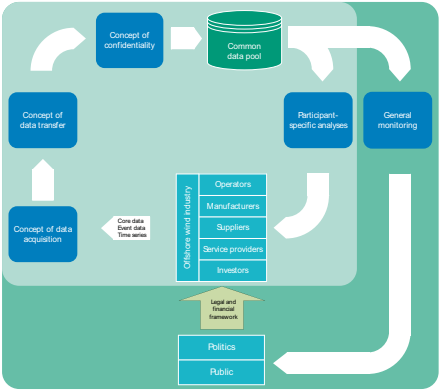
The generation of a common database  
-aims to help in answering essential questions concerning offshore wind energy  
-contribute to political decision-making processes and facilitate further technological progress

- allows anonymous benchmarking and weak-point analyses
- gives the possibility to test and, if necessary, optimize the performance of offshore wind farms





Offshore-WMEP



Conclusions

- Reliability and availability needs to get improved
- Experience is of great value for reliability and maintenance optimisation
- Already information available
  - level of detail needs to get improved
  - Statistic mass needs to be increased
- Common database is proposed
  - Concepts (e.g. data base structure) established
  - Sharing of information has begun

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# Framework for risk-based O&M planning for offshore wind turbines

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Aalborg University, Denmark

- Introduction
- Reliability
- Operation & Maintenance
- Bayesian Networks
- Examples
- Summary-Conclusions



# Introduction

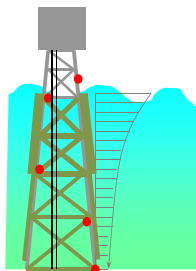
Goal: minimize the total expected life-cycle costs  
→ minimize COE

- Initial costs: dependent on **reliability** level
- O&M costs: dependent on **O&M strategy**, availability and **reliability**
- Failure costs: dependent on **reliability**



# Introduction

Experience: Risk-Based Inspection Planning for Fatigue in Offshore installations



# Reliability modeling of wind turbines

Analysis of failure probabilities based on different types of information:

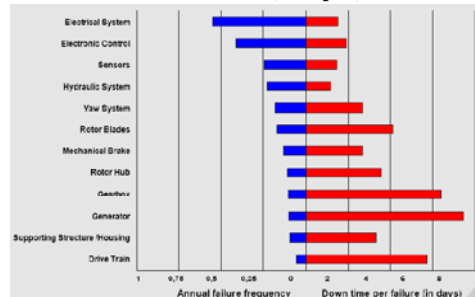
- Observed failure rates – Classical reliability theory
- Probabilistic models for failure probabilities – Structural Reliability Theory: Limit state modeling & FORM / SORM / simulation

Mechanical / electrical components

Structural components

# Reliability modeling of wind turbines

Failure Rates and Downtimes (examples)



# Reliability modeling of wind turbines

Structural members

- Structural failure modes in
  - Tower, main frame, blades, foundation
- Limit state equation for failure modes to be formulated
- Parameters modeled by stochastic variables
- Reliability estimated using Structural Reliability Methods





## Reliability modeling

- **Physical uncertainty** Aleatory uncertainty
  - Strength parameters: Yield strength of steel
  - Annual maximum wind speed
  - Turbulence intensity
- **Measurement uncertainty** Epistemic uncertainty
  - Wind measurement
  - Strain gauge
- **Statistical uncertainty** Epistemic uncertainty
  - Limited number of data
- **Model uncertainty** Epistemic uncertainty
  - Mathematical model as an approximation of failure mode

## Reliability - System aspects

- Series / parallel system?
  - Damage tolerant design
  - Robustness
- Robustness (system reliability)** can be increased by
- increased redundancy
    - mechanical load sharing
    - statistical parallel system effects
  - increased ductility
  - protecting the wind turbine to (unforeseen) incidents and defects
  - good quality control in all phases

## Reliability level

- Building codes: e.g. Eurocode EN1990:2002:
  - annual  $P_F = 10^{-6}$
- Fixed steel offshore structures: e.g. ISO 19902:2004
  - manned: annual  $P_F \sim 3 \cdot 10^{-5}$
  - unmanned: annual  $P_F \sim 5 \cdot 10^{-4}$
- IEC 61400-1+3: wind turbines
  - annual  $P_F \sim 10^{-4} - 10^{-3}$
- Observation of failure rates for wind turbines
  - Failure of blades: approx.  $10^{-4} - 10^{-3}$  per year
  - Wind turbine collapse: approx.  $10^{-5} - 10^{-4}$  per year



## Operation & Maintenance

How can risk-based methods be used to optimal planning of

- future inspections / monitoring (time / type)
- decisions on maintenance/repair on basis of (unknown) observations from future inspections / monitoring

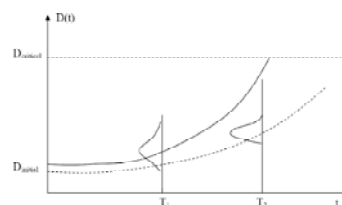
taking into account uncertainty and costs?

## Operation & Maintenance

- **High costs** for operation and maintenance for offshore wind farms
    - Higher failure rates?
    - Access: boat, helicopter, ...
    - Weather windows
    - Loss of production
    - Mobilization
  - Deterioration processes are always present
  - **High uncertainty**
- Maintenance could optimally be planned by using **risk-based** methods



## Operation & Maintenance



- Corrosion
- Erosion
- Fatigue
- Wear
- Etc.

### Deterioration – damage accumulation:

- Deterioration processes are connected with significant uncertainty
- Observations of the actual deterioration / condition by monitoring or inspections can be introduced in the models and significantly improve the precision of forecasts



## Operation & Maintenance

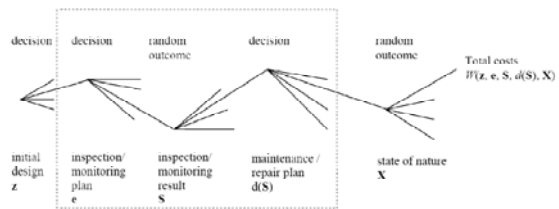
- Corrective (unplanned):
  - exchange / repair of failed components
- Preventive (planned):
  - Timetabled: inspections / service after predefined scheme
  - Conditioned: monitor condition of system and decide next on inspection based on degree of deterioration  
→ based on **pre-posterior Bayesian decision model**

## Operation & Maintenance

### Theoretical basis – life-cycle approach:

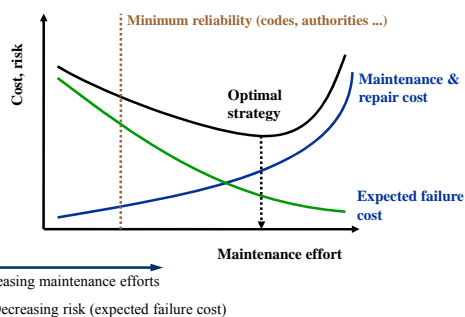
Bayesian decision theory – pre-posterior formulation

Repeated inspection/maintenance



**Optimal decision:** Minimum total expected costs in lifetime

## Operation & Maintenance



## Operation & Maintenance

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{z, e, d} \quad & W(z, e, d) = B(z, e, d) - C_i(z, e, d) - C_{IN}(z, e, d) - C_{REP}(z, e, d) - C_F(z, e, d) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & z_i^l \leq z_i \leq z_i^u, \quad i = 1, \dots, N \\ & \Delta P_i(t, z, e, d) \leq \Delta P_i^{\max}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, T_d \end{aligned}$$

Expected benefits:  $B(z, e, d) = \sum_{i=1}^N B_i(1 - P_i(T_i)) \frac{1}{(1+r)^{T_i}}$

Expected inspection costs:  $C_{IN}(z, e, d) = \sum_{i=1}^N C_{IN,i}(1 - P_i(T_i)) \frac{1}{(1+r)^{T_i}}$

Expected repair costs:  $C_{REP}(z, e, d) = \sum_{i=1}^N C_{R,i} P_i \frac{1}{(1+r)^{T_i}}$

Expected failure costs:  $C_F(z, e, d) = \sum_{i=1}^N C_F(i) \Delta P_{F,i} P_{colpar} \frac{1}{(1+r)^{T_i}}$

## Operation & Maintenance

### Failure / error types:

- Gearbox
- Generator
- Rotor blades
- Blade pitch mechanism
- Yaw mechanism
- Main shaft
- ...
- Tower / support structure (jacket): cracks, corrosion, ...



## Operation & Maintenance

### Time scale for decisions:

- Short: minutes
  - Operation: ex: Stop wind turbines if price too low - Include uncertainty on wind forecasts and price development
- Medium: days
  - Maintenance: ex: Start maintenance / repair operation on offshore wind turbine – Include uncertainty on weather windows
- Long: months / years
  - Preventive maintenance:
    - Inspection- and monitoring planning
      - Gearboxes, generators, fatigue cracks, ...

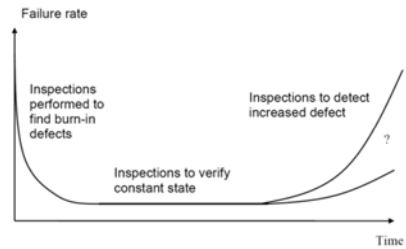


Operation & Maintenance

Information collection:

- Condition Monitoring System (CMS)
- SCADA data
- Inspections (direct information on defect / damage rate)
  - Example: measurement of crack size in fatigue
- Indicators (indirect information on defect / damage rate)
  - Example: gearbox metallic particle monitoring

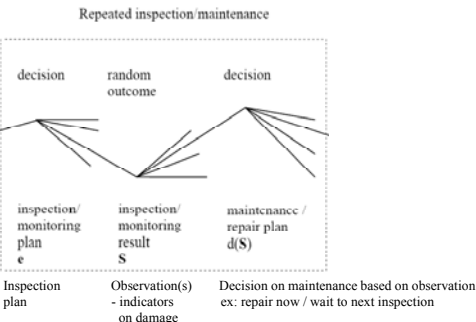
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Example – gearbox

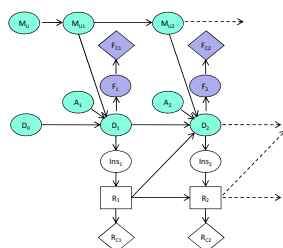
- Examples of inspection methods and inspection results:
- **Visual inspection** though inspection covers → indication of extent of wear
  - **Oil analysis** (time interval) → sample taken indicating extent of wear
  - **Magnet** (time interval) → representative sample taken indicating extent of wear material
  - **Investigation of oil filters** (time interval) → representative sample is taken indicating extent of wear material
  - **Particle counting** (online) → continuously representative samples are taken indicating extent of wear material
  - **Condition monitoring** (continuously) → vibration response is monitored and used to indicate mechanical changes
- Indirect information (indicators)

Example – gearbox



Operation & Maintenance

Application of Bayesian Networks



Summary - Conclusions

- Risk-based methods can be used to optimal planning of
  - future inspections / monitoring (time / type)
  - decisions on maintenance/repair on basis of (unknown) observations from future inspections / monitoring taking into account uncertainty and costs
- Risk-based operation & maintenance
  - theoretical basis: pre-posterior decision theory
- Optimal decisions: maximize total expected benefits-costs
- Examples:
  - Inspection planning for fatigue cracks, corrosion,...
  - O&M for gearbox exposed to deterioration



**Framework for risk-based O&M planning  
for offshore wind turbines**

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## Cooperation on O&M and Life Cycle Cost analysis with Vattenfall

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## Outline

- Background
- Model overview
- Model description
- Results
- Limitations
- Conclusions




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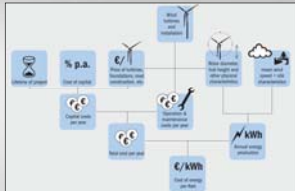
- Previous works from PhD project:
  - Optimization of maintenance planning
  - Cost benefit study of vibration condition monitoring system
  - Optimization of condition based maintenance for blades
- Inspired by the literature, no real "inside" from industry
- Lack of reliability, maintenance and cost data → Sensitivity analysis
- Interesting but no feedback on "practicality"
- Licentiate thesis at the end of 2009
- Thomas Stalin from Vattenfall shows his interest in getting involved in the project, with the idea of a cooperation on life cycle cost and profit analysis for offshore wind farm

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## Background (2)

Life cycle cost and profit analysis is a method to evaluate the economic of a project by considering all the costs over the lifetime and taking into account the value of money through time.



Source: "The economics of wind energy" EWEA, 2009

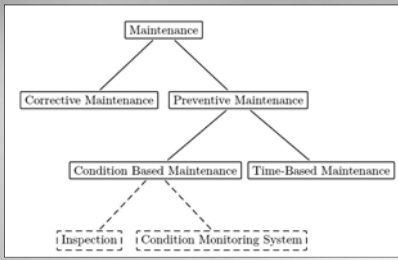
Applications:

- Cost benefit analysis of a project
- Continuous evaluation of the economic value of a project
- **Analysis of O&M:** Reliability/maintainability, maintenance strategies, design improvement, supportability, warranty/insurance/maintenance contracts

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## Background (3)



- What are the cost-efficient maintenance strategies for each failure modes/causes?
- Alternative: Re-design (reliability improvement, redundancy)

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## Background (4)

The basis for the LCC model is the **ECN O&M tool** implemented in Excel

- Model forecasting yearly O&M costs
- Certified by Germanischer Lloyd

Vattenfall bought a license in 2007

- First case study for Horns Rev (Baudish, 2007-2008)
- Multiple scenario analysis for comparison of wind farms, wind turbines, vessels and accommodation (Baudish, 2010)
- Extended to life cycle cost and profit analysis, and updated case study Horns Rev (Stalin, Besnard, 2010)

The model was developed in parallel with the data collection and analysis for Horns Rev from work orders, SCADA data and interviews

**Model ↔ Case study**

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## Model Overview

The model focuses especially on the O&M phase:

- Simple investment and decommissioning model
- Simple energy yield model (based on capacity factor + availability)
- Simple electricity price scenarios (incentive system + prognosis)

O&M cost structure:

- Corrective maintenance
- Service/Preventive maintenance
- Retrofits
- Catastrophic/serial failures
- Fixed costs** (administration, transportation, logistic, O&M facilities, insurance, maintenance contracts...)

**Insurance/Warranty/Maintenance contracts** cover part of the costs

**Direct costs:** Staff, material, vessel/equipment  
**Indirect costs:** Revenue losses

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## Model Description (1)

**Corrective maintenance:**

- Frequency maintenance events (repair, replacement, preparation)
- Seasonal distribution (i.e. planning with condition based maintenance)
- Maintenance procedure:
  - Spare part logistic time
  - Vessels and equipment, and duration of use during repair
  - Number of technicians
  - Repair times
  - Splitting activity
- Cost for the material and spare part
- Applicable retrofit (defined in a similar way in a separate worksheet)
- Applicable Warranty/Insurance (spare part, vessels, production losses)

Data structured according to RDS-PP, VGB, 2007

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## Model Description (2)

**Vessel characteristics and costs:**

- Weather constraints (wind and waves)
- Logistic and travelling times
- MOB/DEMOB costs and daily rate
- Clustering

The accessibility is modeled as a **waiting time** depending on the weather constraints. It is calculated based on wind and wave statistics

**Preventive maintenance activities:**

- Seasonal distribution
- Duration
- Staff, equipment,

**General wind farm data** (capacity factors/seasons, staff costs and working hours, number of wind turbines) and **overhead costs**

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Station	MOB/DEM	Description of Repair Task	Failure Frequency (per yr)	Material Costs (Euro/meter)	Cost Rate	Repair Time (hrs)	Logistic Time (hrs)	Equipment 1 (days)	Equipment 2 (days)	Equipment 3 (days)	Overhead (Euro/day)	Time lost (days)	Time lost (Euro)	Time lost (Euro)
Station 1	MOB/DEM	MOB/DEM	0.1	1000	1000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Station 2	MOB/DEM	MOB/DEM	0.1	1000	1000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Station 3	MOB/DEM	MOB/DEM	0.1	1000	1000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Station 4	MOB/DEM	MOB/DEM	0.1	1000	1000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Station 5	MOB/DEM	MOB/DEM	0.1	1000	1000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
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Station 8	MOB/DEM	MOB/DEM	0.1	1000	1000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Station 9	MOB/DEM	MOB/DEM	0.1	1000	1000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Station 10	MOB/DEM	MOB/DEM	0.1	1000	1000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

**Maintenance type 1** (Group service maintenance)

Number of occurrences during lifetime of 20 years: 20  
Duration of maintenance: 24 hrs  
Cost rate: 2.4 €/hr  
Material Costs: 2  
Type of equipment: 2  
Travel time to or from the wind farm (one-way) (hr): 1  
Distribution over seasons: winter, spring, summer, autumn  
Length of working day (hr): 8.00, 8.00, 8.00, 8.00  
Working period: 8.00, 8.00, 8.00, 8.00

Examples of some input data for corrective and preventive maintenance

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No. of equipment	Description of equipment	Material costs	Repair costs	Overhead costs	Waiting time	Repair time	Logistic time	Equipment 1 (days)	Equipment 2 (days)	Equipment 3 (days)	Overhead (Euro/day)	Time lost (days)	Time lost (Euro)	Time lost (Euro)
1	Service boat 1	1000	1000	1000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	Service boat 2	1000	1000	1000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
3	Service boat 3	1000	1000	1000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
4	Service boat 4	1000	1000	1000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
5	Service boat 5	1000	1000	1000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
6	Service boat 6	1000	1000	1000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
7	Service boat 7	1000	1000	1000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
8	Service boat 8	1000	1000	1000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
9	Service boat 9	1000	1000	1000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
10	Service boat 10	1000	1000	1000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

**Waiting time (hr) vs. Repair time (hr)**

Examples of data for vessels and waiting time defined by a polynomial function

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## Model Description (3)

**The life cycle cost scenario:**

- Investment costs (development, installation, WTs, foundations, grid), decommissioning costs, WF lifetime
- Real discount rate
- Electricity price scenarios
- Failure distribution for each corrective maintenance activity:
  - Constant failure rate (cf. "failure description")
  - Continuous improvement
  - Renewal process with Weibull distribution
  - Alternative for flexibility: Defined for each year
- Service/preventive maintenance activities defined for each year
- Service and corrective maintenance, contracted availability during warranty
- Possibility to use historical costs (overwrite calculated costs)

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## Results

- Cost distributions with/without warranty and insurances
- Cumulative income and cost

**Project performance indicators:**

- Net Present Value (NPV)
- Internal Rate of Return (IRR)
- Profitability Index (PI)
- Break-even year
- Levelized Cost of Energy (CoE)
- Remaining economic value
- Possibility to focus on a specific year

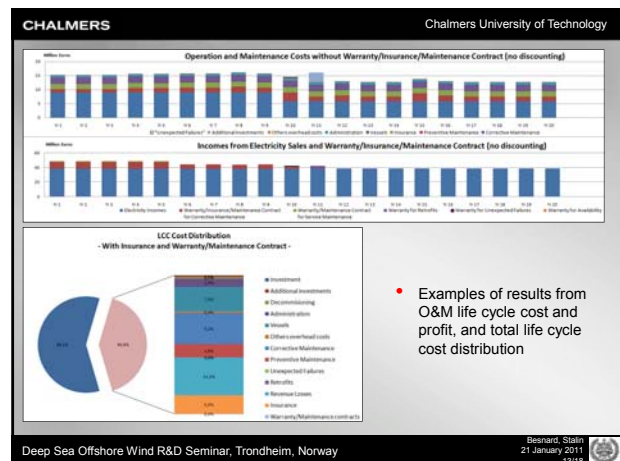
$$NPV = \sum_{t=0}^{20} \frac{I_t}{(1+r)^t} - C_{Inv} - \sum_{t=0}^{20} \frac{C_{L\&M}}{(1+r)^t} - \frac{C_{Dec}}{(1+r)^{20}}$$

$$PI = \frac{C_{Inv} + \sum_{t=0}^N \frac{I_t - C_t}{(1+r)^t}}{C_{Inv}}$$

$$CoE = \frac{NPV \text{ of Costs}}{\sum_{t=0}^N \frac{E_t}{(1+r)^t}}$$

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## Limitations

**Basis model:**

- Production losses during waiting time are underestimated (ECN OMCE\*)
- Only fixed transportation strategies (i.e. not depending on wind/wave condition at failure) → Complex, need time-series and simulation tool to consider number of failures and weather prognosis \*
- No constraints on availability of staff, vessel, spare part, equipment → Limited evaluation of supportability \*

**For LCC:**

- Detailed investment costs and driving factors (depends on application)
- Scenarios for material, staff and vessel costs
- Risk analysis \*
- Impact of condition based maintenance assessed subjectively, or estimated in a separated model \*

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## Conclusions

- A tool for life cycle cost and profit analysis with special focus on O&M
- A successful project thanks to a close cooperation between Vattenfall and Chalmers:
  - Mutual interests
  - Weekly meetings
  - Access to reliability and cost data (NDA)
  - Hard work on data analysis
- Need for structured and automatized reliability and maintenance data collection (implementation in SAP system at Vattenfall) and training maintenance personnel
- Future case studies: Continuation Horns Rev, Lillgrund, Kentish Flats, Egmond aan Zee

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HSE challenges related to offshore renewable energy

- A study of HSE issues related to current and future offshore wind power concepts

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HSE challenges related to offshore renewable energy

- Object for the study: to identify the HSE factors related to offshore renewable energy production (with focus on offshore wind energy).
- Our report:
  - Lists different offshore wind developing concepts that exist today as well developments that may result in future concepts.
    - Technical solutions and operation philosophy (both fixed and floating concepts)
    - A brief summary of actors and plans for development in Norway
    - Regulations and standards for offshore renewable energy are briefly listed
  - A qualitative analysis of the hazards that exist for different stages for offshore wind turbine farms.
    - Several possible accident scenarios
      - possible consequences for humans, environment and material issues.
    - A qualitative prioritization of the scenarios.
    - Issues related to risk mitigation and regulations

Potential areas of development

- Offshore wind farms are planned along the whole coast of Norway
  - bottom fixed or floating wind turbines.
  - distances from shore vary mainly from 1 to 60 km
  - the Southern North Sea has a distance of around 150 km to the shore.
  - many offshore wind farms are in the concept stadium



Source: NVE (2010). Havvind - Forslag til utredningsområder.

Installation

Bottom fixed substructures has to be transported to the offshore wind farm with transport vessels before fixed to the seabed:

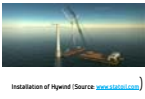
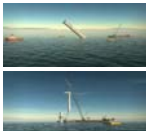


Lowering of the jacket or tripod onto the pin piles (Source: [www.ripa.no](http://www.ripa.no))



Transport and erection of a fully onshore constructed wind turbine at Bostice (Source: [www.southcoast.co.uk](http://www.southcoast.co.uk))

Floating structures and the turbine are preassembled close to the construction port and then towed out to their final position as a complete unit:



Installation of a floating structure (Source: [www.ripa.no](http://www.ripa.no))

Access methods

- Access not always possible because of weather conditions
- Three main alternatives for access:
  - Direct landing by use of vessel
  - Use of equipment to compensate for motion
  - Helicopter



Source: [www.southcoast.co.uk](http://www.southcoast.co.uk)



Source: [www.ampelmann.nl](http://www.ampelmann.nl)



Source: Repower

- Possible to have living quarters near the offshore wind farm to shorten travel time
  - Access to turbine still involves the same challenges

Overview of access types and (dis-) advantages

Type	Significant wave height in metres	Average wind speed in m/s (10 m height)	Example of application	Advantages	Disadvantages
Direct boat landing	0.5 - 1.5 (rubber boats) 2.5 (SWATH)	10	Nysted (rubber boats) Bard 1 (SWATH)	Simple	Sensitive to marine growth and icing
Boat landing with motion compensating	2 - 2.5 (OAS) 2 - 3 (AmpeImann)	11.5 (OAS) 14 (AmpeImann)	Tested	Not sensitive to marine growth	Installation of additional equipment on the vessel required
Hoisting by crane	2.5	?	None	Not sensitive to marine growth	Remote control of crane Maintenance offshore required
Helicopter	-	15 - 20	Horns Rev, alpha ventus	Not sensitive to waves Fast transport	Expensive



HSE – more frequent incidents and accidents?

- Damage to construction (rotor blades fall loose, the construction collapses)
- Fire
- Crane- and lift related incidents (Loss of - /damage to equipment)
- Diving accidents
- Occupational accidents (crush/squeeze injuries, fractures, head injuries, drowning etc.)
  - “Just bare luck that more serious accidents do not happen”
- Corrosion
- Cable rupture/cable displacement



Reported incidents.

	Power by Nitschke et al. (2006)	Japanese report	Source: wind turbine lab, last updated 2006
Lightning	24%	31%	4%
Storm	20%	-	5%
Iceing	-	8%	3%
Design/material/defect of parts	27%	-	37%
Failure elec. sys./short circuit	8%	13%	-
Failure control system	-	21%	23%
Fire	7%	-	-
Failure drive system	-	13%	-
Software	-	11%	-
Loosening of parts	-	-	3%
Grid failure	-	-	2%
Others	14%	-	11%
Unknown causes	-	-	7%

(Sharples and Sharples, 2010)

Component damages	
Tower	18%
Blades	17%
Gearbox	16%
Generator	13%
Transformer	10%
Nacelle	8%
Control eq.	9%
Others	13%

(Nitschke et al., 2006)

Hazards we identified for the installation phase

Hazards	
Mechanical	Falling material/ tool/ object (lifting operations) Potential energy (risk to height, lifting operations) Kinetic energy (vessels, helicopters, moving parts) Human operations: ship collisions, man over board Electricity: short circuit
Electrical	Short circuit Overcharge Electromagnetic interferences (check, avoid, neutralize)
Thermodynamic	Fire and/or explosion: oilfield, vessel
Human	Human machinery and tools: equipment Psychological effects due to heavy lift and repeating movements, uncomfortable working position etc. (manual work carried out during installation) Work at height Ergonomics Psychological effects due to insufficient working – and living conditions
Environmental effects (weather)	Blow ground failure
Dangerous objects, gases or materials	Flammable Poisonous Radioactive Explosive/combustive (dusts, oil etc.)
Environmental effects, chemical	Weld Wires and currents Lightening Earthquake (?)
Organizational	Over pressure Insufficient/lacking safety equipment Wrong use of machinery and tools/equipment Lack of correct competence, due to new types of offshore operations Several different man/companies involved in same operation
Technical/technology	Submerge Corrosion

Hazards we identified for operation and maintenance

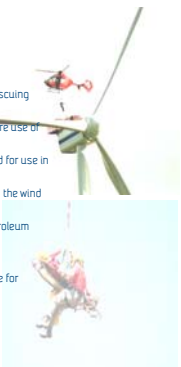
Operation	Maintenance
Mechanical	Mechanical
Vibration	Vibration
Electrical	Electrical
Thermodynamic	Thermodynamic
Human	Human
Environmental effects (weather)	Environmental effects (weather)
Dangerous objects, gases or materials	Dangerous objects, gases or materials
Environmental effects, chemical	Environmental effects, chemical
Organizational	Organizational
Technical/technology	Technical/technology

Identified accident scenarios for offshore wind energy production (alphabetically, not prioritized in terms of frequency or impact)

- Air collision
- Anchoring failure, (dynamic) positioning failure
- Bird strike
- Blade failure (falls off)
- Capsizing of vessel
- Diving incident
- Environmental impact
- Extreme weather conditions
- Falling object
- Fire
- Helicopter crash
- Human over board
- Ice throw
- Lightning
- Loss of remote control
- Mooring failure
- Occupational accident
- Pollution to sea
- Structural failure
- Vessel or drifting installation on collision course

Emergency handling challenges:

- Accidents may not be discovered in time to prevent further damage
- Access to turbine and tower (e.g. to help sick or injured people) is limited
- Fire-fighting crews will have difficulties in getting access to the fire
- Generally, helicopter transport is risky. This will challenge rescues actions (e.g. rescuing persons from sea or evacuating from nacelle.)
- Evacuating injured person from nacelle is very challenging. Climbing ladders require use of both hands
- Impaired weather conditions may become challenging as few vessels are designed for use in significant waves over 2.5 meters.
- Floating objects in sea may be difficult to pick up because of the infra structure in the wind farm
- Unclear which rules will apply for rescue – will they be the same as for e.g. the petroleum industry?
- Many actors are involved in operations with offshore wind farms.
  - unclear whether the same regulations will apply to all and who is responsible for emergency management in which situations.





### Suggested actions

- There is need for regulations that ensure the Norwegian interests and traditions within HSE when working on the Norwegian Continental Shelf and internationally.
- The responsibility for regulations, inspections and audits within HSE should be clear and coordinated
- Appropriate inspections and audits should be conducted
- The phases in offshore wind energy production farms should be regulated to ensure that HSE is attended to at an early stage.
- There is a need for HSE requirements in the design phase to ensure sufficient attention to ergonomic considerations in work areas.
  - This may require an international standard or guideline as most concepts are "off the shelf" from international industry.
- Cooperation between the relevant authorities in different countries is necessary.
- It is suggested to establish a pilot offshore wind park for research, testing and learning
- All experience (within operation, maintenance, reliability and HSE) from an early stage of the development should be collected.
  - Databases should be established. Contribution to and use of data from such databases should be open to all actors and the authorities.
- Emergency preparedness plans and training sessions should be established

### Thank you for your attention-



- We wish to thank the Petroleum Safety Authority in Norway this assignment.



## **E) Installation & sub-structures**

Coupled analysis of floating wind turbines, Elizabeth Passano, MARINTEK

The effects of breaking wave-induced currents, PhD stud Sung-Jin Choi,  
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Effects of Foundation Modeling Methodology on the Dynamic Response of  
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## Coupled Analysis of Floating Wind Turbines

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## Background

- Need for integrated analysis of floating wind turbines
- Difficult to couple existing programs
- Decision to add functionality to our existing tool for floating offshore structures (SIMO and RIFLEX)

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### Floating wind turbine system



Main components:

Rotor  
Nacelle

Tower

Support structure  
(SPAR buoy)

Mooring lines  
Power cables

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### Floating wind turbine system



Aerodynamic loads on blades,  
tower and floater

Interaction between blade  
motions and aerodynamic loads

Control of blade pitch and  
applied electrical torque

Hydrodynamic loads on floater,  
mooring lines and power cable

Interaction between  
mooring line dynamics and  
floater motions.

Seafloor contact

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### RIFLEX: New Functionality

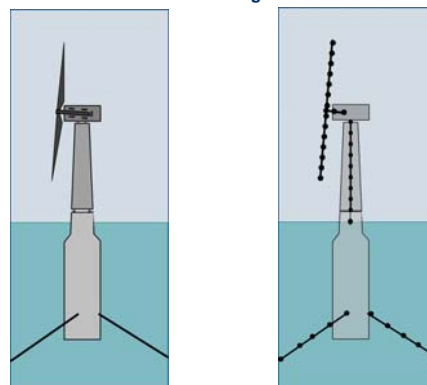
- Wind loads on blade elements based on foil formulation
- Aerodynamic interaction based on Blade Element Momentum method (BEM-method)
- Control systems for blade pitch and electrical torque
- Apply blade pitch as prescribed relative rotation

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### Finite element model of a floating wind turbine



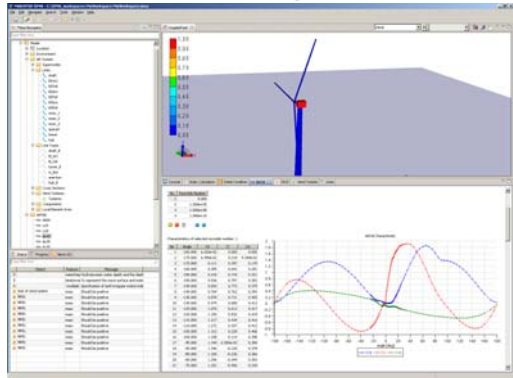
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GUI: Wind turbine modelling

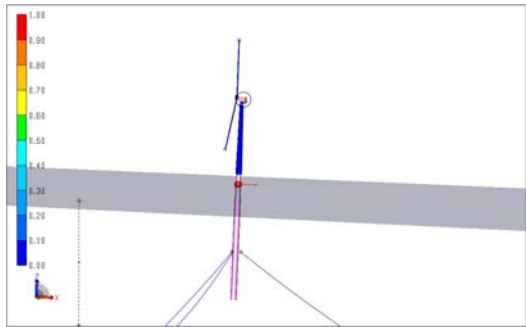


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GUI Wind turbine – FE-model

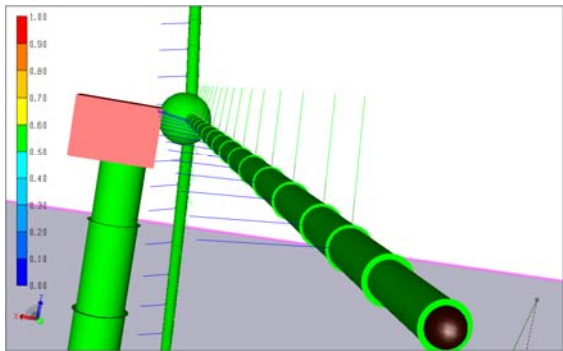


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GUI: Wind turbine - Foil axes



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Functional test – Fixed tower base



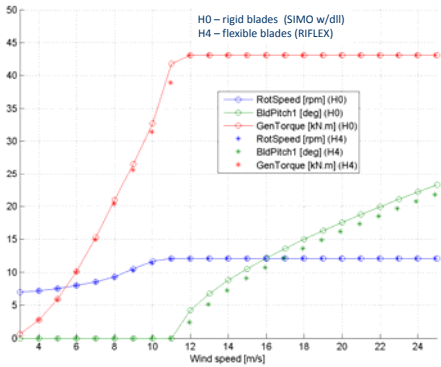
- NREL 5 MW wind turbine, 63 m blades
- Fixed tower. Yaw bearing at 87.6 m above MWL
- Constant wind speeds
- Comparison with SIMO analysis with rigid blades, previously benchmarked

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Functional test – Fixed tower base

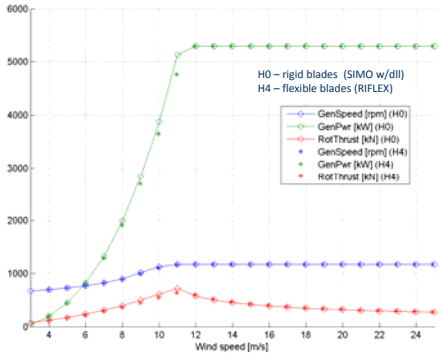


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Functional test – Fixed tower base



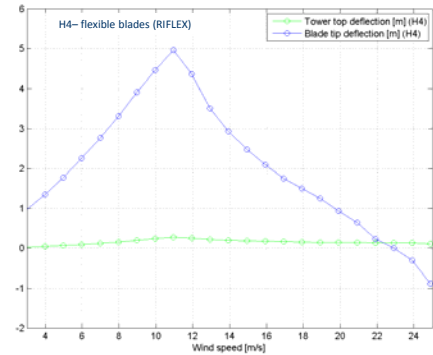
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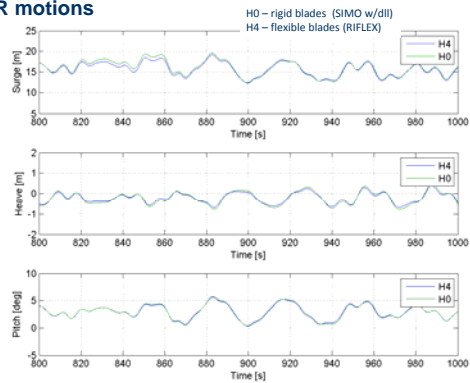


Floating wind turbine

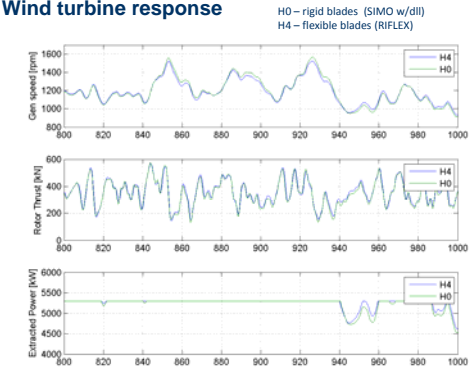


- NREL 5 MW wind turbine
- OC3-Hywind spar buoy, 7.5 ton, draught 120 m
- Equivalent mooring system
- Significant wave height 6 m, peak period 10 s
- Mean wind speed 18 m/s
- Comparison with SIMO analysis with rigid blades

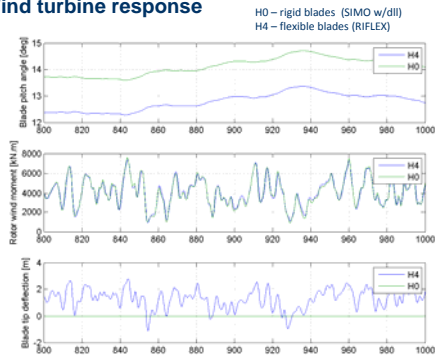
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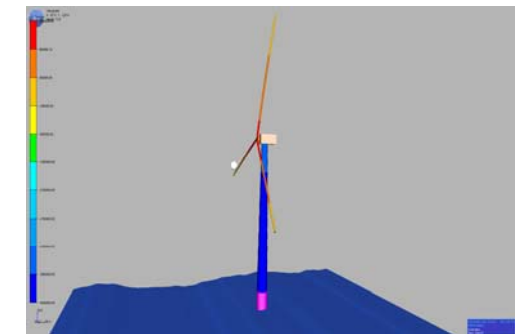
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Wind turbine response



Floating wind turbine



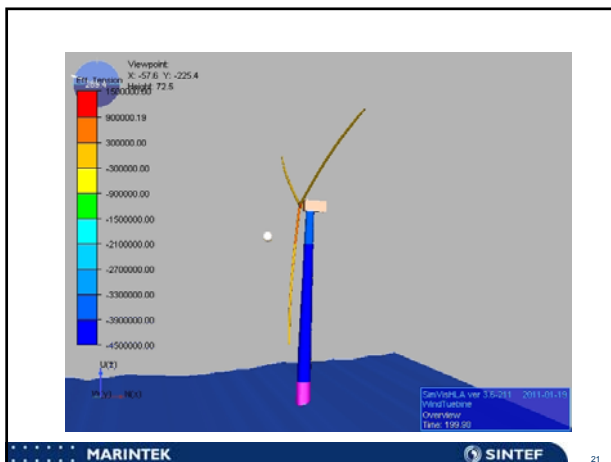


## Conclusions

- A tool for coupled analysis of floating wind turbines has been developed
  - Nonlinear finite element method
  - Stochastic waves and wind
  - Interaction between mooring dynamics and tower motions
  - Interaction between blade dynamics and aerodynamic loads
  - Aerodynamic loads based on the blade element momentum method
- Graphical User Interface to aid modeling and analysis

## Planned work

- Publish benchmarking of analysis tool and case study
- Ease modeling of blade twist
- 3D wind field
- Comparison with full scale measurements (Hywind)
- Continued development of GUI





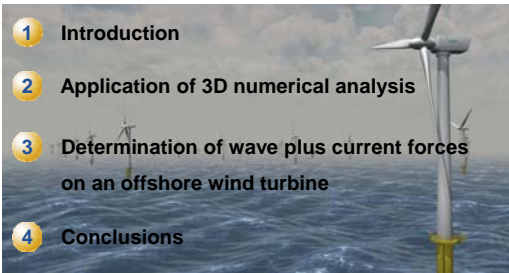
The effect of breaking wave induced  
Current on an Offshore Wind Turbine Foundation

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Presentation to Wind Power R&D seminar on 21 January 2011



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- 2 Application of 3D numerical analysis
- 3 Determination of wave plus current forces on an offshore wind turbine
- 4 Conclusions



Introduction

- For the design of an offshore wind turbine installed on a flat bottom, Morison Equation, utilizing a wave theory like Stream function theory, has generally been employed to determine wave forces acting on the structure for a given design wave condition.

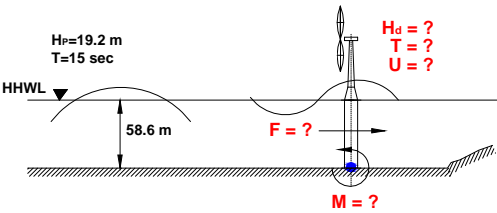


Fig. 1 An offshore wind turbine installed on flat bottom

Hs : Wave height at deepwater, Hs : Wave height at structural position  
T : Wave period, F and M : Wave force and moment, U : Current velocity at structural position

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Introduction

- In the case where an offshore wind turbine is installed nearby a submerged shoal, the waves may show unsymmetrical shapes or breaking patterns.
- Calculations of wave forces can be beyond the applicable range of Morison equation and Stream function wave theory.

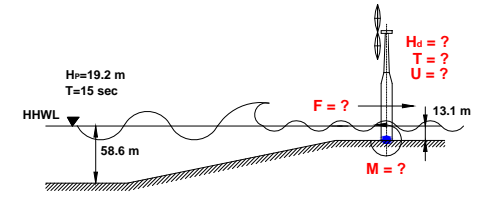


Fig. 2 An offshore wind turbine installed nearby a submerged shoal

Hs : Wave height at deepwater, Hs : Wave height at structural position  
T : Wave period, F and M : Wave force and moment, U : Current velocity at structural position

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Introduction

- Chun et al. (1999) performed three-dimensional hydraulic model tests to measure the wave plus current forces and wave heights nearby a submerged shoal.
- The directions of the waves were adopted for four cases (NNW,SSW, S and SE).

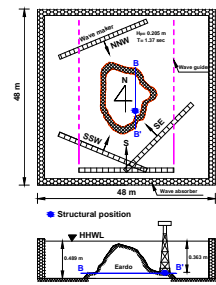


Fig. 3 Plane layout of experiments (scale : 1/120)

3D hydraulic model tests were performed at a small scale (1/120) in a wave tank at the Korea Institute of Construction Technology.

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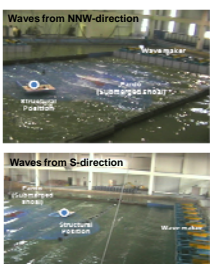


Fig. 4 Photograph of experiments

Introduction

- Waves from the NNW-direction were the only case where breaking waves occurred before the waves propagated over the structural position.
- The measured signals of wave forces showed irregular shapes which tended to one side, either positive or negative.

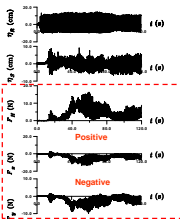
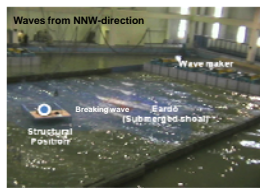



Fig. 5 Time histories of measured data from wave sensors and wave force meter : Waves from NNW-direction

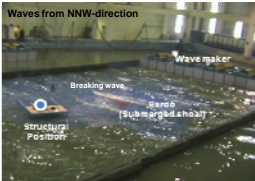
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### Introduction

- In spite of that the wave heights nearby (on lee side of) the submerged shoal appeared to be small compared with the wave heights on a flat bottom, the measured wave forces rather exceeded the wave forces on a flat bottom which were calculated by SACS.



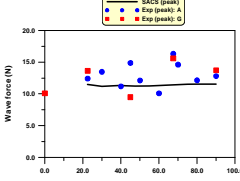



Fig. 6 The horizontal wave forces from SACS and experiment : Waves from NNW-direction

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SACS : Structural Analysis Computer System (EDI,1995)




### Introduction

- The results suggested that the breaking waves might have induced the strong current forces.
- For an offshore wind turbine is installed nearby a submerged shoal, the use of waves only may result in an underestimated design of the structure.

The objectives of the present research,

- The presence of breaking wave induced current will be clarified.
- 3D numerical analysis will be carried out to quantify the wave height and current velocity at the structural position.
- The wave plus current forces, wave forces without current and wave forces on a flat bottom will be calculated and compared.
- The design wave forces acting on the structure will be determined.

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### Application of 3D Numerical analysis

- Computational domain
  - Sponge layers are located to the left, right, upper and lower sides with a thickness of 2L.
  - The internal wave generator is located in front of the sponge layer which is located to the upper part of the computational domain.

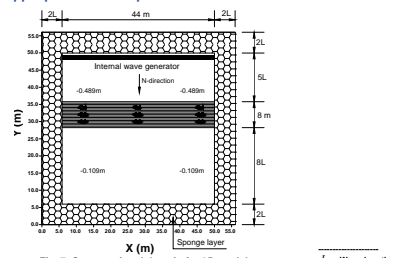



Fig. 7 Computational domain for 3D model

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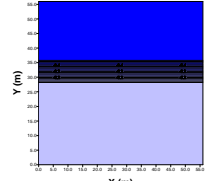
L : Wave length



### Application of 3D Numerical analysis

- Input conditions

$H_i$ (m)	$T$ (sec)	$h$ (m)		$\Delta x / \Delta y$	$\Delta t$
		$h_b$ (m)	$h_t$ (m)		
0.16	1.37	-0.489	-0.109	0.1 / 0.1	0.02



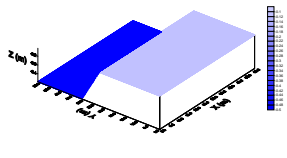



Fig. 8 Depth contour for 3D model

Fig. 9 3D perspective for 3D model

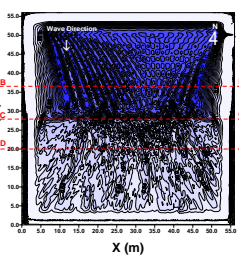
$H_i, T$  : Incident wave height and Wave period     $\Delta x, \Delta y$  : Grid spacing (distance),     $\Delta t$  : Grid spacing (time)  
 $h_b, h_t$  : Water depth at the bottom and top of submerged shoal

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### Application of 3D Numerical analysis

- Wave heights
  - Fig. 10 shows the distribution of the wave heights along the horizontal lines.
  - The wave heights are continuously reduced after breaking waves take place.



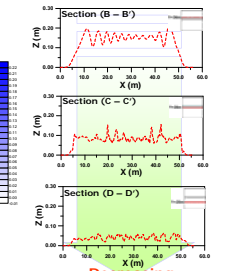



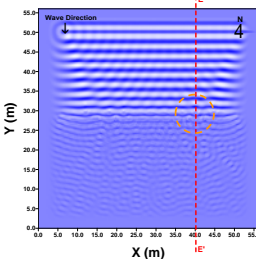
Fig. 10 Horizontal section of wave heights along sections B – B', C – C' and D – D'

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### Application of 3D Numerical analysis

- Surface elevation
  - After the waves propagate over the top of the submerged shoal, the wave transformation occurs by breaking waves.



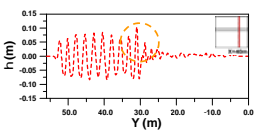
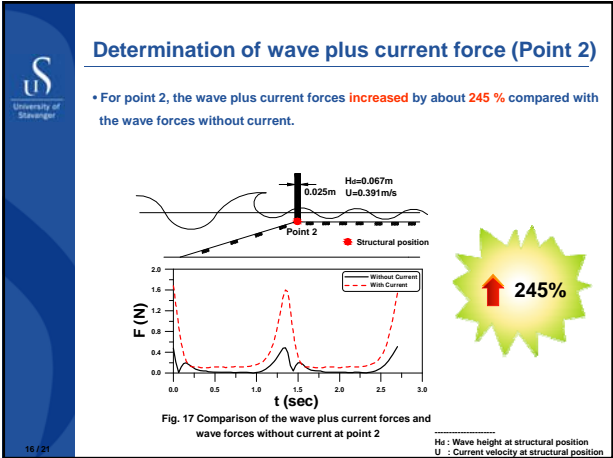
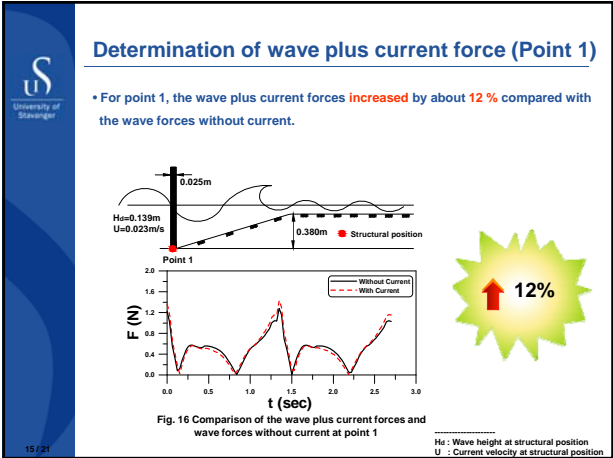
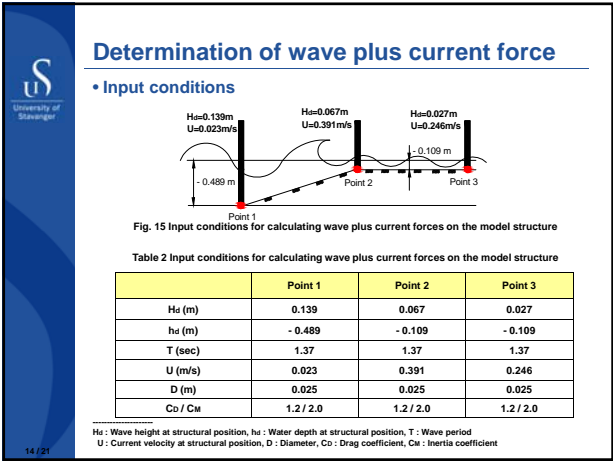
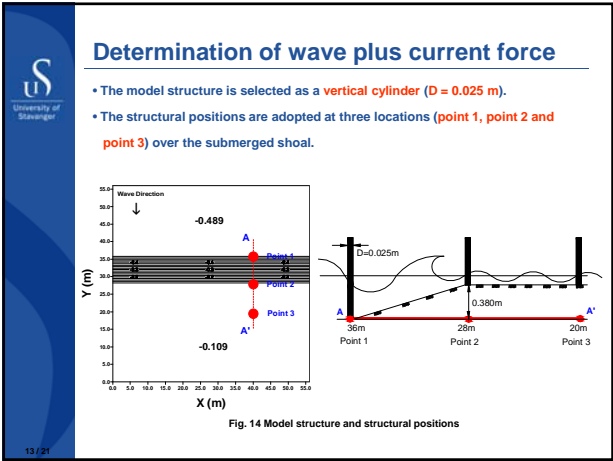
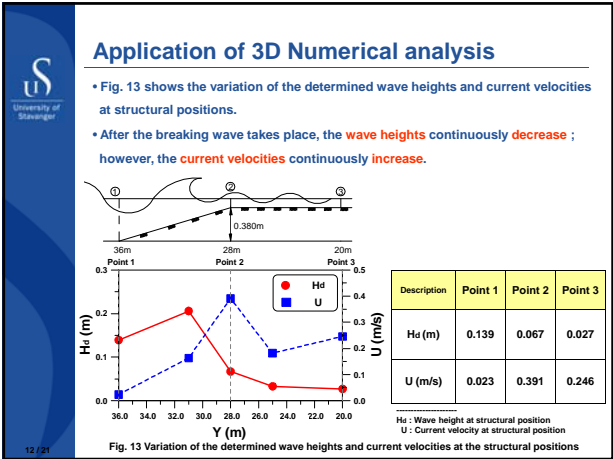
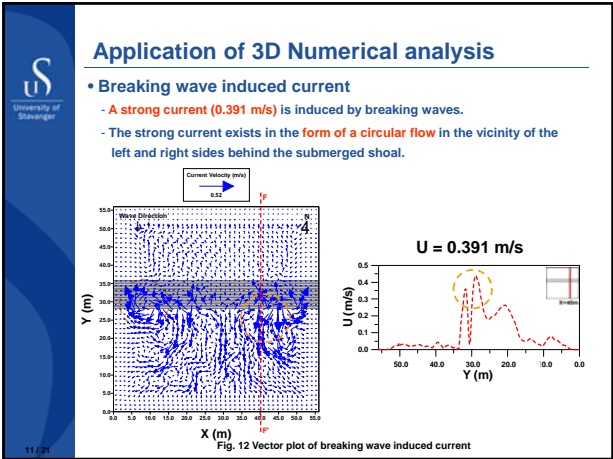



Fig. 11 Surface image of the wave propagation and wave surface elevation

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### Determination of wave plus current force (Point 3)

- For point 3, the wave plus current forces **increased** by about **218 %** compared with the wave forces without current.

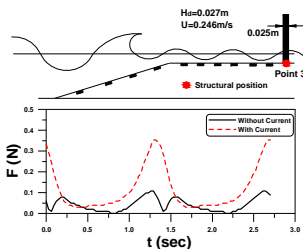



Fig. 18 Comparison of the wave plus current forces and wave forces without current at point 3

He : Wave height at structural position  
U : Current velocity at structural position

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### Determination of wave plus current force

- In spite of that the **wave height at point 2** appeared to be **small** compared with the wave height on a flat bottom, the **wave plus current force increased** by about **45 %** compared with the **wave force on a flat bottom**.
- Forces in breaking wave situation only briefly estimated.

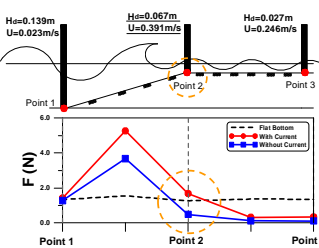



Fig. 19 Comparison of the wave plus current forces, wave forces without current and wave forces on flat bottom at all points

He : Wave height at structural position  
U : Current velocity at structural position

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### Determination of design wave force

- The results show that the wave plus current forces **greatly increased** compared with the wave forces without current. Moreover, the wave plus current forces rather **exceeded** the wave forces on a flat bottom.
- For the determination of the design wave forces on the structure which is installed in the vicinity of the submerged shoal, the **maximum wave forces** have to be selected after comparison of the wave plus current forces, wave forces without current and wave forces on a flat bottom.

Table 3 Determined design wave forces on the model structures

Description	Point 1		Point 2		Point 3	
	F (N)	M (N-m)	F (N)	M (N-m)	F (N)	M (N-m)
Wave forces and moment on flat bottom	1.31	0.46	1.16	0.41	<b>1.29</b>	0.48
Wave forces and moments without current	1.28	0.45	0.49	0.05	0.11	0.01
Wave plus current forces and moments	<b>1.43</b>	0.50	<b>1.69</b>	0.16	0.35	0.02


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### Conclusions

- Three dimensional numerical analysis showed that a **strong current (0.246 ~ 0.391 m/s)** can take place in the vicinity of the submerged shoal due to **radiation stress differentials** given by the breaking waves.
- Comparison of the total forces on the structure without the current and with the current showed that the wave plus current forces in this area **increased** by an average of **200 % to 250 %** compared with the wave forces without current.
- In spite of that the **wave heights at point 2** appeared to be **small** compared with the wave height on a flat bottom, the wave plus current force **increased** by about **45 %** compared with the wave force on a flat bottom.
- This can be attributed to the **combined effect of waves and current** which can be induced by breaking waves.


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### Conclusions

- For an offshore wind turbine installed on the lee side of a **submerged shoal**, the use of **waves only** (i.e., without current velocity) could result in the **under-estimated design** of the structure.
- For the determination of the design wave forces on the structure which is installed on the lee side of the submerged shoal, the **maximum wave forces** have to be selected after comparison of the wave plus current forces, wave forces without current and wave forces on a flat bottom.

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### Thank you



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**Effect of Foundation Modeling  
Methodology on the Dynamic Response of  
Offshore Wind Turbine Support Structures**

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**Agenda**

- Motivations for research
- Research Questions
- Project details and methods
- Results
- Conclusions
- Further work

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**Motivations for Research**

To reduce the costs while increasing the performance and reliability of offshore wind energy through advancements in foundation modeling techniques and design methods

Historical, current and projected future capital costs for offshore wind projects  
Courtesy: G. Gertzel, 2009

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**Higher costs largely due to offshore support structures**

- Support structures make up a much higher percentage of the total costs offshore
- This trend is likely to continue as water depth increases at wind farm sites

Courtesy: EWEA 2010

Component	Onshore	Offshore
Turbines (excluding works)	68-84%	49%
<b>Support Structure</b>	<b>1-9%</b>	<b>21%</b>
Grid Connection	2-10%	16%
Consultancy	2-8%	9%
Electric Installation	1-9%	5%
Other	2-10%	1%

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**Installation Difficulties**

- Very large and expensive installation vessels are required
- Foundations and tower must be installed to very precise tolerances
- Many components must be installed in calm weather to avoid damage
  - Bad weather can lead to large amounts of downtime, running up costs
- Foundation installation is the most time consuming part of the process
  - Extremely large diameter piles or immensely heavy gravity based must be installed
  - Preparation of the seabed and scour protection may be required
  - **Offshore foundations cost 2.5x more than for a similar land-based wind turbine**

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**Reducing the costs...**

- **Efficiently designed support structures and foundations**
  - Specifically engineer foundations for loads and site conditions at each offshore wind turbine
  - Develop computer software tools specifically produced for offshore wind turbine foundation design
- Mass production of offshore wind turbine support structures
  - Towers and foundations must be designed in a way that is economical to mass-produce
  - Efficient use of materials, manufacturing facilities, and manpower
  - Purpose built offshore wind support structure manufacturing facilities will be needed
- Improved installation techniques and equipment
  - New foundation technology which is easier and quicker to install
  - Purpose-built installation vessels to install wind turbines in a cost effective manner

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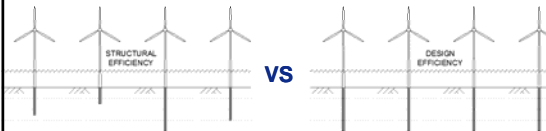


## Pile Foundations Models

- **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
- **Sequential analysis with finite element simulations**
  - Combines the capabilities of the multiple non-linear spring model with finite element simulations
  - Allows for dynamic FE simulations of the foundation without the need for a fully coupled model
- **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

## Structural efficiency or design efficiency?

- Separately design each pile to give the minimum installation time and maximum structural efficiency
  - Each foundation designed to only the minimum required length and diameter
  - Less overall material use, reduced fabrication effort, less time and effort for installation
  - More time, man-hours, and money spent during the testing and design phase
- Develop a single pile design that can be utilized for all structures in the entire wind park
  - Foundations designed for worst case, many piles may be grossly overdesigned
  - Higher overall material use, increased fabrication effort, more difficult installation
  - Less time, effort and money spent in the testing and design phase

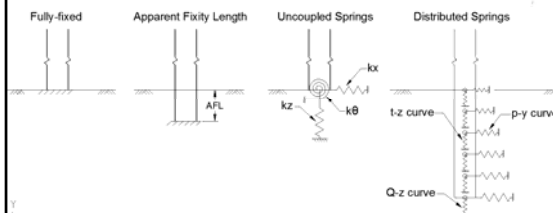


## Research Questions

1. Do the most simple modeling techniques provide an accurate enough description of the dynamic characteristics to be used for preliminary design and analysis?
2. Does the added accuracy and certainty in analysis and design of an offshore wind turbine foundation when using more advanced modeling techniques outweigh the additional costs of using such techniques?

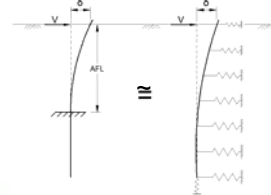
## Uncoupled Foundation Models

- Four different foundation modeling techniques are considered
  - Fixed boundary conditions
  - Apparent Fixity Length (AFL)
  - Uncoupled Springs
  - Distributed non-linear spring model using force-displacement (p-y) curves



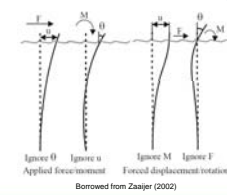
## Apparent Fixity Length

- Boundary effect of soil clamping is approximated by fixing the pile a certain depth (AFL) below the seabed
- AFL chosen to match the stiffness of the pile with distributed spring model
  - Only matches at one given load due to non-linearity of p-y curves
- Can also be determined based on soil properties



## Uncoupled Springs

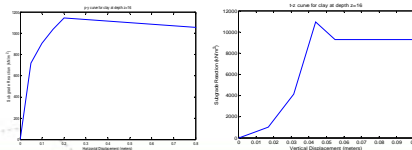
- Static forces are applied in 'x', and 'z' directions DOFs to determine the uncoupled spring stiffnesses
- Can be determined using two different approaches
  - Applied Force/Moment method
  - Forced displacement/rotation method
- Can be modeled with linear or non-linear springs





## Distributed NL spring models

- Force displacement (p-y) curves found in the design standard are used for horizontal and vertical displacements
  - ISO 19902:2007(E) – Petroleum and natural gas industries – fixed steel offshore structures (Ch 17)
  - Dependant on undrained shear strength profile, friction angle, unit weight of soil, and pile diameter
  - Not really suitable to extremely large diameter piles (such as those used on monopile wind turbines)
- Hyperbolic force displacement relationship used for torsional stiffness
  - Method developed by Randolph and Guo *Torsional Piles in Non-homogenous Media* (1996)
  - Dependant on undrained shear strength profile, unit weight of soil, pile stiffness, pile diameter



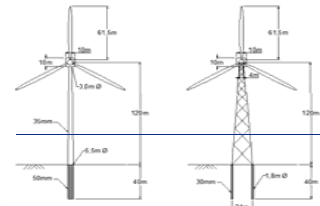
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## Support Structures

- Monotower
  - Chose a generic design, representative of currently producing turbines
  - 120m height, 35mm wall thickness, diameter tapering from 5.5m to 3m
- Full-height lattice tower
  - Designed by former NTNU PhD student Haiyan Long
  - 120m height, 4 legs, 10 sections, 21 meters wide at base, 4 meters at nacelle

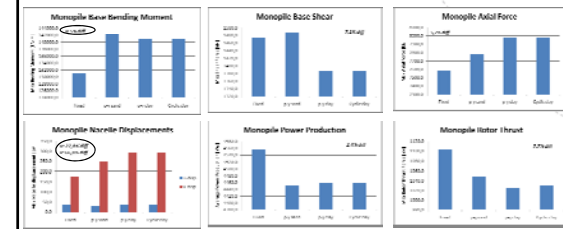


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## Monotower Comparison

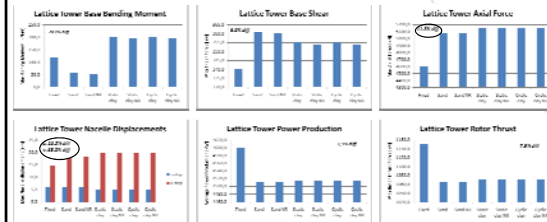


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## Lattice tower comparison



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## Conclusions

- Significant discrepancies noted between the different foundation models
  - Not immediately clear which is *most accurate*, but worth investigating further
  - The discrepancies are mostly due to dynamic amplifications
- Response is very sensitive to changes in the selected soil parameters
  - More detailed soil descriptions and response models are needed
  - Actual soil profile and soil properties from an offshore wind turbine site needed
- No interaction between soil layers or between adjacent piles
  - Future models must include 3-D soil interaction effects
  - Models must include time dependent effects such as drainage and dilatancy

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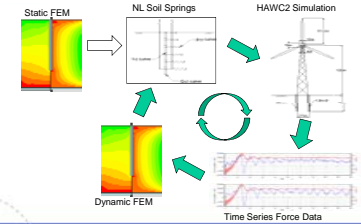
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**Coupled Foundation Models**

**Sequential Analysis FE Method**

- Method used to investigate the response of a piled foundation to the loads experienced on an offshore wind turbine structure using the finite element method
- An iterative process of finite element simulations of the soil-pile structure and the wind turbine structure
- Does not allow data to feed into the aero-elastic code at each time step, only as initial conditions



Static FEM → NL Soil Springs → HAWC2 Simulation → Time Series Force Data → Dynamic FEM

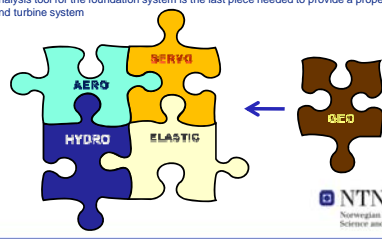
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**Coupled Foundation Models**

**Fully-Coupled FE Model**

- Foundation, or 'Geo' module to be developed using open source FEM foundation code (such as OpenSees, Code Aster, etc.)
- Geo Module then fully coupled with an 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**

- Develop a FEM code for foundation response which can be coupled to a Aero-Servo-Hydro-Elastic simulation (Aero-Servo-Hydro-Geo-Elastic)
  - Can be implemented and coupled with FAST/ADAMS or other open source code
  - Allows for a time domain analysis of the entire wind turbine system
- 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
- Extend investigations to suction caissons and other foundation solutions
  - Potential foundation concepts can be used in conjunction with a number of different tower concepts
- Validate numerical models with field data (RAVEN)

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**Questions?**

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## **F) Wind farm modelling**

Wakes in between wind parks, Idar Barstad, Uni Research

Wake models compared with measurements, Jennifer van Rij, IFE

Wind and wake modelling using CFD, Jens A Melheim, CMR GexCon

A model study of wind turbine interference, Prof Per Åge Krogstad, NTNU



# Wakes in between wind parks

- and what we can learn from mountain meteorology

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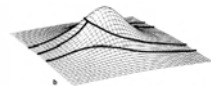


# What is a wake?

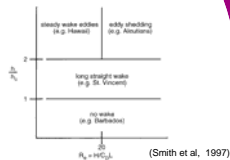
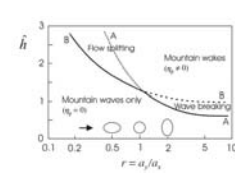
Ile Amsterdam , Indian sea (hm=800m)



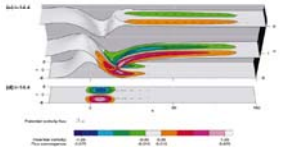
# What is a wake?



Smith (1989)



(Smith et al., 1997)

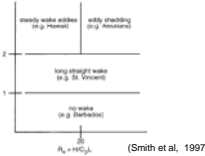


[Schneider et al (2003)]



# What is a wake?

- Disturbed flow caused by dissipation lasting several inertial length-scaled downstream

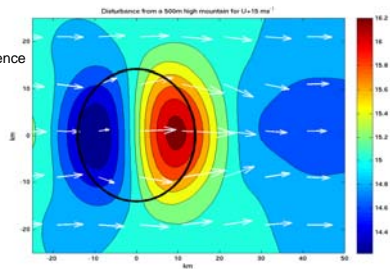


(Smith et al., 1997)



# Disturbance from a mountain

- Tendencies of flow divergence
- inviscid flow
- at z=0 [m]
- rotation effects
- stability: N=0.006 [1/s]



No generation of Potential Vorticity (PV)!



# Wakes in between wind farms

Dissipation in wind park introduce PV in the flow  
-> downstream wakes !

But disturbances (not necessarily caused by dissipation) may propagate in the flow, typically associated with:

- inversions
- reflections at some vertical level





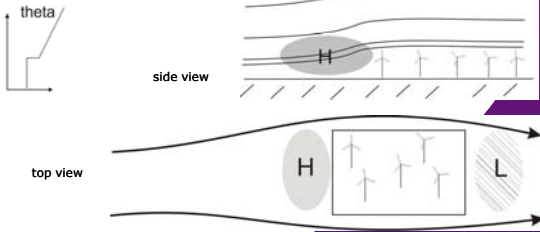
# Test for a single wind farm

- Two sophistication levels:
- 1) reduced and simplified model (LM;Smith 2009)
  - 2) full mesoscale model with turbine drag (WRF)

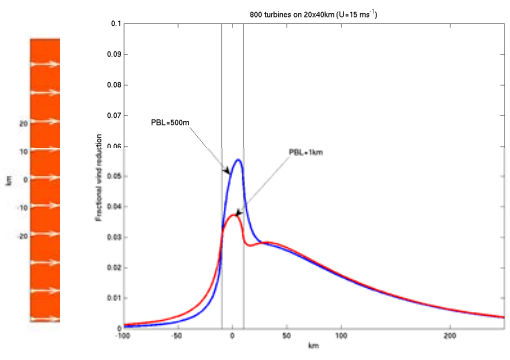
## The principle:

- Generation of pressure gradients by wind farm:
- $\theta$  increases with height under typical stable conditions
  - As air lifted over farm, lower  $\theta$  air brought up from below
  - This creates cold anomaly aloft and thus high pressure anomaly below
  - > pressure gradients deflect wind.

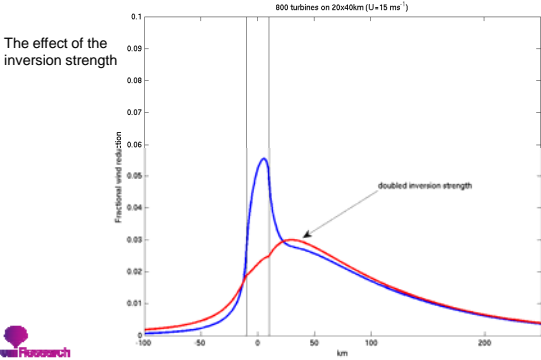
Typical  $\theta$ -profile over sea:



## Reduced model



## Reduced model

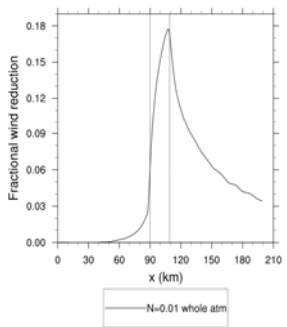


## Full model

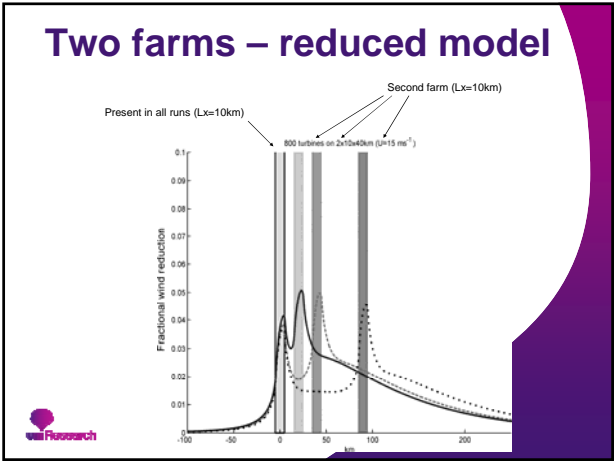
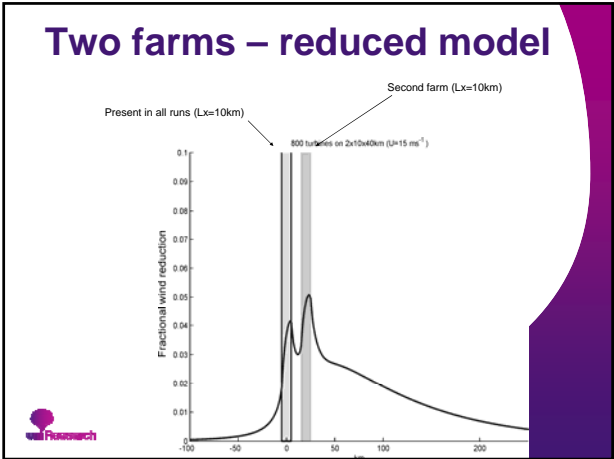
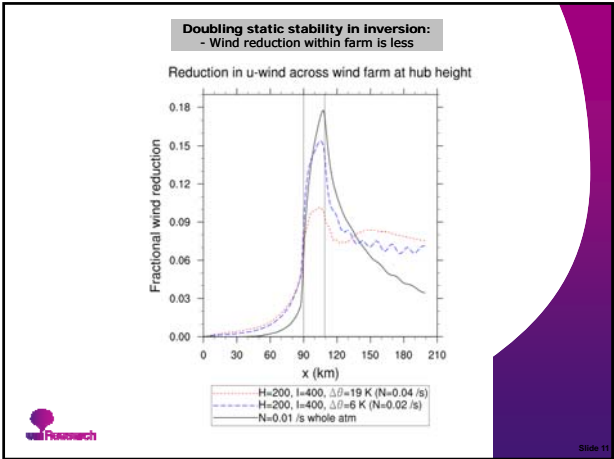
For a typical static stability of  $N=0.01 \text{ s}^{-1}$ :

- Note wind reduction ahead of farm

Reduction in u-wind across wind farm at hub height









## Wake Models Compared with Measurements

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## Outline

- Motivation
- Previous Wake Models Compared With Measurements
- CFD Wake Studies at IFE

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## Motivation

- 4 GW in construction now, 40 GW by 2020, and 150 GW by 2030... meaning many, very large, offshore wind farms.
- Wind turbines create a wake - a flow with a momentum deficit and increased turbulence - which, reduces power and increases fatigue loading to downwind turbines, resulting in ~10-20% losses.
- Wake behavior is influenced by the wind direction, the wind turbine itself, other wakes, the terrain, and the atmospheric boundary layer, including possible effects from other nearby wind farms, however, these factors are often not predicted well with wake models
- In short, wake effects significantly influence wind farm power output, thus, the accurate prediction and minimization of wake losses is crucial to the economic feasibility of Europe's offshore wind goals.

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## Previous Wake Models Compared With Measurements

- Wake Models
  - Simplified empirical/analytical methods
    - Such as Jensen's linear expansion model and Ainslie's eddy viscosity model.
    - As implemented in commercial codes WASP, WindPRO, and FLAP.
  - Parabolized Navier-Stokes methods
    - Typical approximations include axisymmetry, empirical near wake and atmospheric boundary conditions,  $k-\epsilon$  turbulence etc.
    - Examples include WAKEFARM and WindFarmer.
  - Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD)
    - Three-dimensional unsteady Navier-Stokes.
    - Simplified CFD methods such as actuator-disk, -line, and -surface methods.

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## Previous Wake Models Compared With Measurements

- Published Offshore Wake Data
  - Vindeby (11 Bonus 450 kW stall-regulated turbines)
  - Bockstigen (5 Wind World 500 kW stall-regulated turbines)
  - Middelgrunden (20 Bonus 2.0 MW stall regulated turbines)
  - Horns Rev (80 Vestas 2.0 MW pitch regulated turbines)
  - Nysted (72 Siemens 2.3 MW stall regulated turbines)
- Data sources from which wake effects have been derived include on and offshore meteorological masts, power production data, satellite data, and nacelle anemometer data

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## Previous Wake Models Compared With Measurements

- A Few Offshore Wake Model Validation Studies
  - ENDOW (Efficient Development of Offshore Wind Farms)
    - "evaluate, enhance and interface wake and boundary layer models for utilization offshore"
  - UPWIND
    - "improving models of flow within and downwind of large offshore wind farms"
  - Carbon Trust's Offshore Wind Accelerator
    - Benchmarking of wake codes compared to measure data
- Norwegian R&D programs (NOWITECH/NORCOWE)?

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## Previous Wake Models Compared With Measurements

- A few general findings from previous studies
  - For small wind farms, most models, even simple empirical models, perform reasonably well.
  - Large measurement uncertainties have made model comparisons and validation difficult, and a clearly superior wake modeling method has not been not evident.
  - For large multi-row wind farms, wake models are not sufficiently accurate, errors are propagated and wake losses are often under predicted.
  - The capability of wake models to predict atmospheric and sea stability effects, and losses due to nearby farms appears to be lacking.
  - Increased spacing clearly decreases wake losses, but wake models must be improved for optimize wind farm layouts.

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## CFD Wake Studies at IFE - Objectives

- Develop and validate an offshore wake model
  - Accurate – capture all the necessary physics for small to large farms, dynamic behaviors, ambient meteorology, etc.
  - Efficient – computationally scalable and fast
  - Integrable – coupled to BEM, grid, and optimization methods
- Previous and ongoing CFD wake studies at IFE
  - KMB Deep Sea Offshore Wind Turbine Technology
    - A preliminary/qualitative evaluation of offshore wake parameters using 3DWind
  - IEA Annex 29 'MexNex'
    - A detailed evaluation of the rotor and wake using DLR TAU code
  - NOWITECH (with NORCOWE collaboration)
    - Continuation of 3DWind & TAU models for wake studies as required by research and industry

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## 3DWind Wake Model Description

- 3DWind Algorithm
  - Flow solver for atmospheric flows
  - Finite volume
  - Three-dimensional
  - Incompressible
  - RANS (mixing, Prandtl's one-equation  $k-l$  model,  $k-\epsilon$ )
  - Three stage explicit Runge-Kutta time stepping

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## 3DWind Wake Model Description

- AD Model '1.0'
  - Simple momentum sink,  $f_x = -C_T(1/2)\rho_\infty u_\infty^2 (dA/dV)$
  - Specified, constant  $C_T$
  - Assumed  $x$ -direction flow
  - A single AD, assumed to be in the  $y$ - $z$  plane
  - Prandtl's one-equation  $k-l$  model
- Conclusions
  - Good qualitative agreement for single wake evaluations with effects from  $h_{hub}$ ,  $C_T$ ,  $u_\infty$ ,  $z_0(l_\infty)$ ,  $\Delta T/\Delta x$
  - Proceed with development of the 3DWind AD wake model

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## 3DWind Wake Model Description

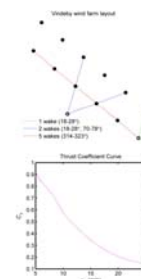
- AD Model '2.0'
  - AD at any angle to the grid and incoming flow
  - Multiple ADs for wind farm arrangements
  - Thrust coefficient via thrust curve,  $C_T(u_{ref})$
  - Wake rotation\*,  $2a'wr$
  - $k-\epsilon$  turbulence model
  - Advanced visualization output options

\*Hansen M, Aerodynamics of Wind Turbines, 2nd ed., Earthscan, London, 2008.

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## Validation Data – Vindeby wind farm



- 11 450kW Bonus turbines
- Stall-regulated
- $D = 35$  m,  $h_{hub} = 38$  m,  $4^\circ$  tilt, 35.2 RPM
- Two rows, spacing of 300m (8.6D) / 336m (9.6D)
- Published data from one land mast, two sea masts, and SODAR\*
- Validation data for single, double, and quintuple wakes

\*Barthelmie R.J., Larsen G., Bergstrom H., Magnusson M., Schlez W., Rados K., Lange B., Velund P., Neckelmann S., Christensen L., Schepers G., Hegberg T., Folkerts L. Proceedings of the workshop: 'ENDOW: efficient development of offshore windfarms'. Rise-R-1326(EN), Rise National Laboratory, Roskilde, 2002.

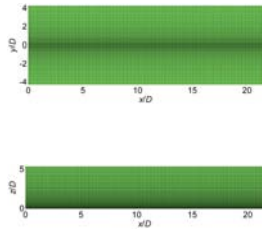
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Numerical Grid

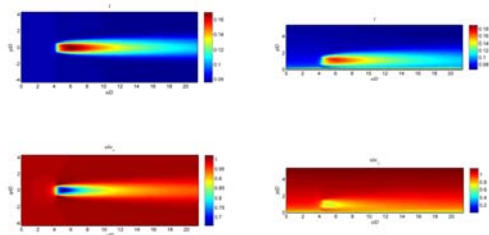
- x-direction (freestream)
  - single wake
    - 750m (21.5D)
    - 250 cells uniformly spaced
  - double wake
    - 1080m (31.1D)
    - 362 cells uniformly spaced
  - quintuple wake
    - 1850m (55.5D)
    - 650 cells uniformly spaced
- y-direction (horizontal)
  - 300m (8.6D)
  - 74 cells with 2% stretching
- z-direction (vertical)
  - 180m (5.4D)
  - 62 cells with 4% stretching
- ~17 cells across the AD
- 1.15x10<sup>6</sup>, 1.66x10<sup>6</sup>, 2.98x10<sup>6</sup> cells for a single, double, and quintuple wake, respectively
- ~24 CPU hours for a single wake



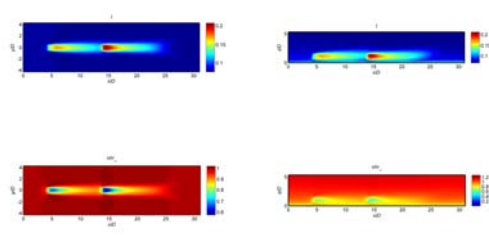
Numerical Boundary Conditions, Initial Conditions, and Convergence Criteria

- Geostrophic velocities and roughness length are input values
- One-dimensional simulation gives initial conditions and inlet boundary conditions
- Periodic boundary conditions are used for sides
- Neumann boundary conditions are used for outlet
- Residuals < 1x10<sup>-3</sup> (~10000 timesteps) for steady state convergence criteria

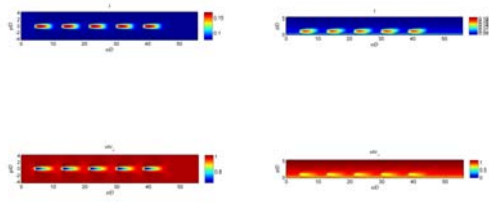
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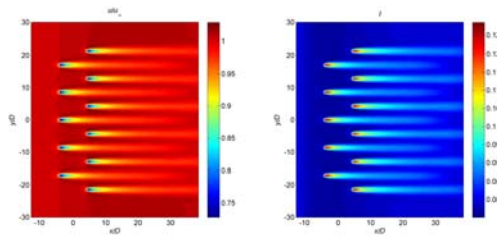
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Some Preliminary Results  
Quintuple Wake



Some Preliminary Results  
Entire Wind Farm Wake





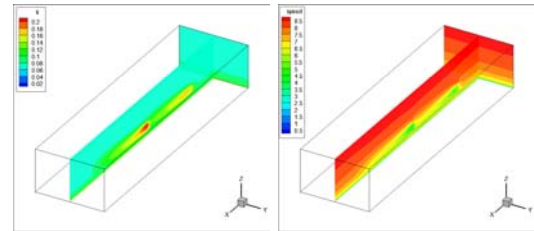
## Conclusions & Future Plans

- The studies are ongoing, so no *final* conclusions...
- The improvements to the 3DWind AD model were helpful
  - Average velocity profile error  $\sim 3\% \rightarrow \sim 2\%$
  - Average equivalent  $k_{wake} = 0.09 \rightarrow 0.08$
- The improved AD model both qualitatively and quantitatively predicts wake development and decay compared to experimental data and empirical models.
- Although the 3DWind wake model performs reasonably well for smaller studies ( $\sim 1 \times 10^6$  cells), it may not be ideal for larger evaluations.... AD models in TAU CFD will be investigated next.
- Detailed evaluation of the rotor and wake using DLR TAU code (3D, unsteady, using advanced gridding, transition and turbulence models, with parallel computing access up to 5632 processors).
- Possible continuation studies may include AL or AS models and/or coupling to a BEM code (FLEX5) for individual wakes.

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## Animation of a Double Wake



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# Wind and wake modelling using CFD

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## Outline

- Motivation
- CFD models
  - Background
  - Turbulence models
  - Wind modelling
- Wake models
  - Wind deficit models
  - Rotor models
- Offshore wind farms



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## Motivation

- Wake loss is a large uncertainty when planning wind farms
- Computations of wake losses can be used to:
  1. Foresee energy output from a wind farm
  2. Optimize wind farm layout
- No *industry standard* for computation of wake losses in multiple wake cases

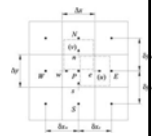


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## CFD - Computational Fluid Dynamics

- Solve the Navier-Stokes equations on a grid
- Impractical to resolve the smallest time and length scales in a turbulent flow -> solve averaged or filtered Navier-Stokes equations
  - Need model for unresolved scales -> turbulence model
- Use a finite volume formulation
- Assume incompressible flow
  - Prediction-correction algorithm to obtain pressure field
- Results can not be better than:
  1. Models for unresolved physics
  2. Boundary conditions



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## Turbulence models

- Closure for the unknown Reynolds stresses  $-\rho \overline{u_i' u_j'}$  that appear in the Navier-Stokes equations after averaging/filtering
  - RANS: Reynolds Averaged Navier-Stokes
- Turbulent viscosity models
  - Use a *turbulent viscosity* and mean velocity gradients to model the Reynolds stresses
  - Solve transport equations for 1 or 2 turbulence parameters
  - $k$ - $L$ ,  $k$ - $\epsilon$ ,  $k$ - $\omega$
- Reynolds stress models
  - Solve transport equations for 6 Reynolds stresses + dissipation rate of turbulent kinetic energy ( $\epsilon$ )
- Large eddy models
  - Solve filtered N-S eq. using a grid size dependent filter

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## Characteristics of wind farms

- Large domains ( $L=1-20$  km)
- Large range of time and length scales
- Moving rotors and high tip speeds
- Anisotropic turbulence in wake regions
- Unsteady boundary conditions
- ⇒ Impossible to resolve all physics



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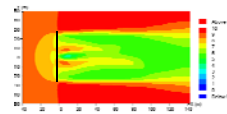
Implications

- Large domains (L=1-20 km)
  - Only RANS based models applicable without using super computers.
- Large span of time and length scales
  - Wall functions at ground / ocean
  - Blades cannot be resolved in detail
- Moving rotors with high tip speed
  - Average over a rotor swept
- Anisotropic turbulence in wake regions
  - Turbulent viscosity models are not accurate in the near wake
- Unsteady boundary conditions
  - Assume steady state when planning

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Wake models



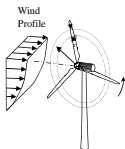
- Explicit wake models
  - Calculate wind speed deficit in the wake
  - WaSP, WindSim
- Parabolic models / Eddy viscosity models
  - Start ~2D downstream of turbine using Gaussian wake profiles
  - Solve simplified Navier-Stokes on axis-symmetric grid or 3D grid
  - ECN Wakefarmer, GH Windfarmer, FLAP (Uni Oldenburg)
- Full CFD models
  - Model turbine by momentum sink
  - NTUA CFD, Ellipsys3D, CENER, CRES, RGU-3D-NS

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Wind turbine models

- Actuator Disc models
  - Model rotor area by a porous disk
  - Momentum sink uniformly distributed
  - No mature model for turbulence generation
- Actuator line / Actuator surface models
  - Model each blade using a line or a surface
  - Use BEM to calculate local forces
  - Time step restricted by the tip speed
- Direct methods
  - Geometry models of moving blades (moving grid)
  - Resolve flow at blade



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Summary of wake models

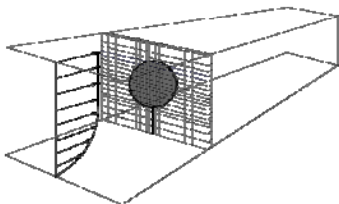
Model	Pre	Cons	Multiple wakes?
Explicit models	Quick Very easy to use	Need to tune parameters No physics solved	No
Parabolic models/ Eddy viscosity	Quick Easy to use	Terrain (2D models) Multiple wakes	Tuning needed
Full CFD with Actuator Disc model	Solve most physics Easy input	Slow Turbulence production Not accurate in near wake	Yes
Full CFD with Actuator Line/Surface	Solve most physics Accurate in near wake	Very slow Requires detailed blade and airfoil data	Maybe
Full CFD with direct blade model	Solve "all" physics Accurate in the near wake	Extremely slow Much work to setup	No

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CFD – Actuator Disc

- Momentum sink in control volumes inside the rotor area – uniformly distributed over disc area
- Turbulence production caused by wind turbine
  - No established model for turbulence generation

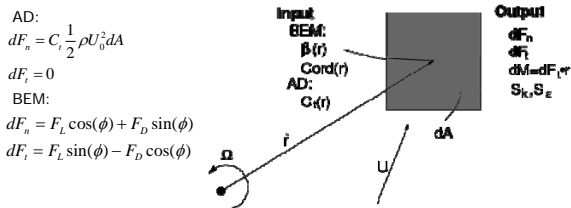


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Actuator Disc Improvement

- Blade Element Momentum (BEM) Theory yield a better distribution of forces than the traditional AD method.



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## Turbulence production

- El Kasmin & Masson (2008):  $S_\varepsilon = C_{\varepsilon 4} \frac{P^2}{\rho k}$
- Rethoré et al (2009)  $S_\varepsilon = -\frac{1}{2} C_\varepsilon (aU_0)^2$ 

$$S_k = \frac{1}{2} C_\varepsilon (\beta_p (aU_0)^3 - \beta_d k a U_0)$$

$$S_\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2} C_\varepsilon \frac{\varepsilon}{k} (C_{\varepsilon 4} \beta_p (aU_0)^3 - C_{\varepsilon 3} \beta_d k a U_0)$$
- BEM
 
$$S_k = \alpha (dF_n - dF_t) a U_0$$

$$S_\varepsilon = C_{\varepsilon 1} \frac{\varepsilon}{k} S_k$$

A. El Kasmin & C. Masson (2008), *Journal of Wind Engineering in Industrial Aerodynamics* **96**:103-122

P.-E. Rethoré et al. (2009), *EWEC 2009*

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## Sexbierum experiment

- West coast of the Netherlands
- Polenko/Holec WPS 30 wind turbine
- Wind 10 m/s at hub height (35 m)
- Turbulence intensity 10%
- Thrust coefficient  $C_t=0.7$
- Measurements 2.5D, 5.5D and 8D downstream at hub height

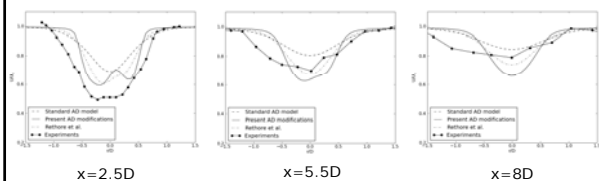


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## Sexbierum experiment

- Wake wind speed deficit:



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## Conclusions

- The combination of full CFD with RANS based turbulence model and Actuator Disc is a promising technique for modelling of wake losses in wind farms
- Better understanding and modelling of the turbulence in the near-field of the rotor are needed
- Validation and benchmarking are key factors for success


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# A model study of wind turbine interference

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## Model turbine

**Main purpose of investigation:**  
Measure turbine interaction under controlled laboratory conditions

- Model turbine designed using standard Blade Element Momentum theory
- Rotor diameter  $D=0.9\text{m}$ . Design tip speed ratio,  $\lambda=6$
- Wind tunnel test section: Crosssection= $2\times2.7\text{m}$ , total length= $12\text{m}$
- Power predictions performed with BEM and CFD (Fluent) software






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- ◆ Background
- ◆ Model and measurements
- ◆ Effect of turbine operating condition
- ◆ Yaw effects
- ◆ Conclusions



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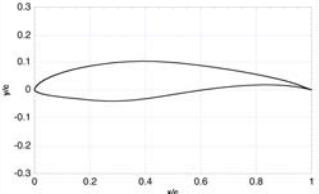
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## Model turbine

**Airfoil: NREL S826 14% thickness**

**Characteristics:**

- Gentle separation due to trailing edge ramp
- Rapid transition on suction side due to small radius of curvature
- Low sensitivity to surface roughness
- Strong separation on lower side at negative angles of attack





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## Background

- Turbine interaction reduces power output and increases dynamic loads
- Wake structure depends on turbine operating conditions. Is it always best to operate at turbine peak performance?
- Wake may be deflected by yawing the turbine. How much power is gained or lost by yawing?



*In wind parks, turbines interact!*



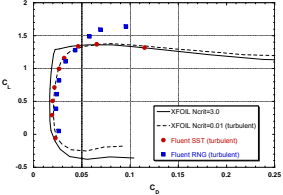
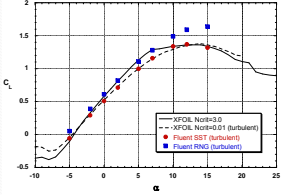
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## Model turbine

**2D predictions of S826 performance**

Fully turbulent XFOIL predictions agree well with  $k-\omega$  SST





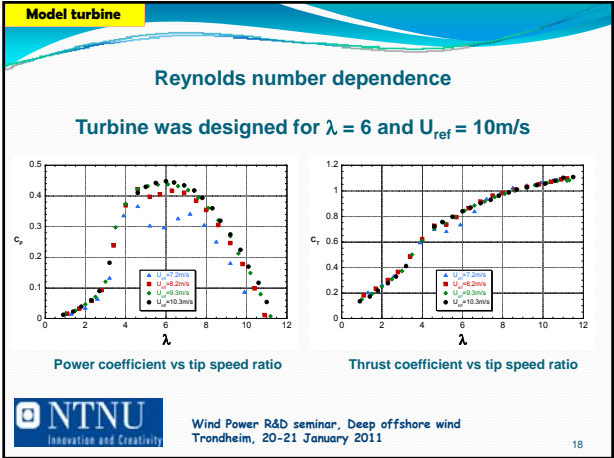
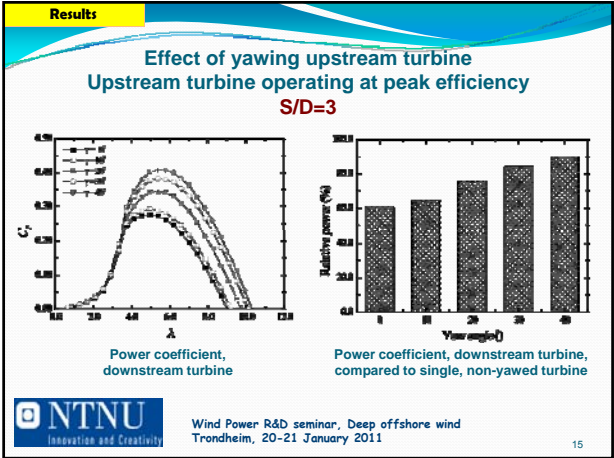
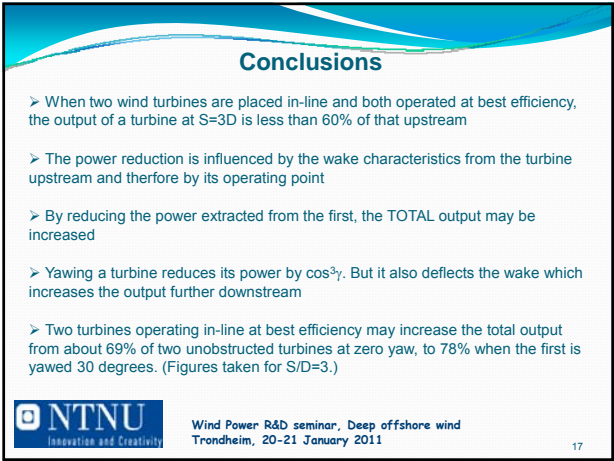
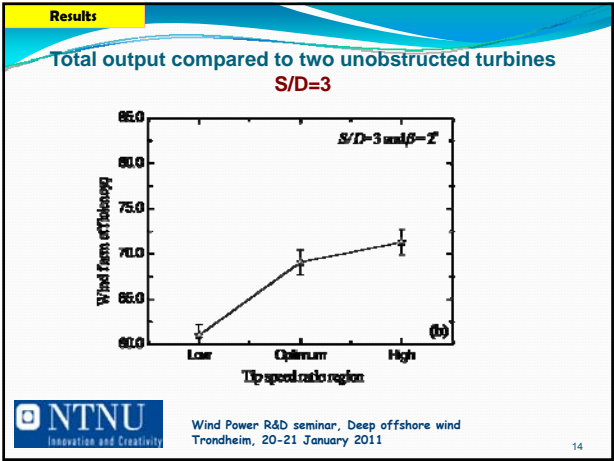
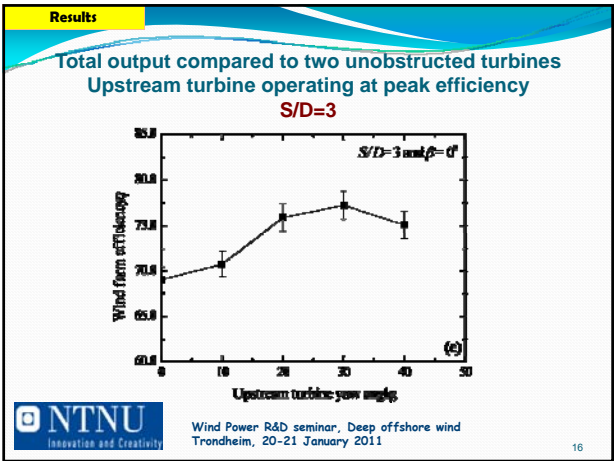
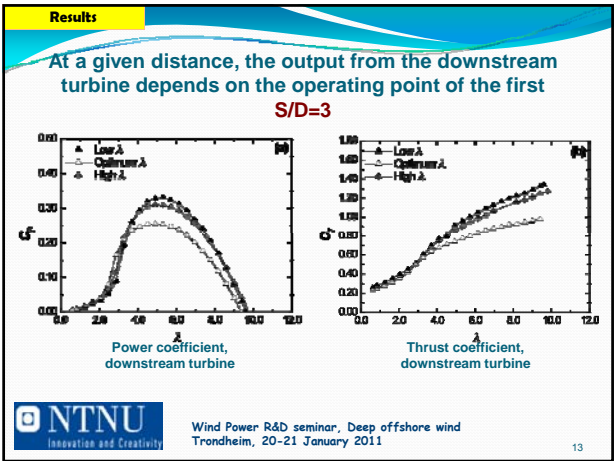
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**Fluent predictions**

### 3D CFD details

- 1/3 of the rotor including the nacelle was simulated.
- CFD domain same as wind tunnel test section (-4.5D to 7.8D in streamwise direction, 2.9D in spanwise direction).
- $k-\omega$  SST turbulence model with  $y^+ < 5$  for first grid point.
- Structured boundary layer grid around blade up to 0.1c, tetrahedral grids used further out.
- QUICK and SIMPLEX schemes used for convective and pressure terms.
- 100.000 cells used to describe the blade and nacelle surfaces,  $3.5 \cdot 10^6$  grid points used.
- 4CPU PC parallel processing,  $\approx 24$  hours computing time per case

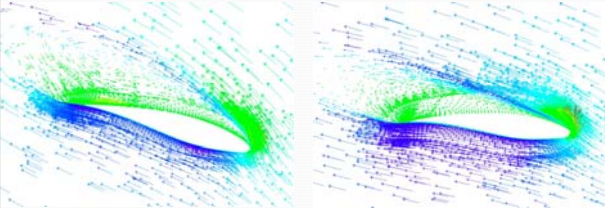
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**Results**

At low tip speed ratio ( $\lambda = 3$ ) the blade operates in deep stall mode and the flow is highly three-dimensional.  
BEM expected to fail severely



$r/R=0.44$   $r/R=0.89$

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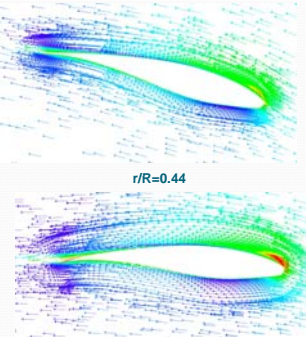
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**Results**

At design tip speed ratio ( $\lambda = 6$ )  
Flow almost two-dimensional

- Flow mostly attached except at the trailing edge separation ramp
- Angle of attack close to  $7^\circ$  over most of the blade
- $C_L \sim 1.2$



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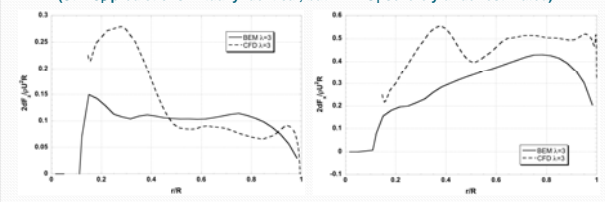
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**Results**

### Force distributions for $\lambda = 3$

Significant differences between BEM and CFD distributions.  
(Still  $C_P$  predictions virtually identical, but BEM  $C_T$  severely under-estimated)



Tangential force Streamwise force

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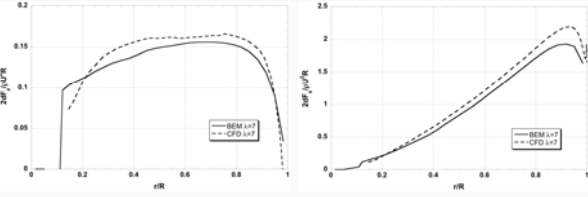
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**Results**

### Force distributions near design tip speed ratio

Good agreement between BEM and CFD



Tangential force Streamwise force

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## **Closing session – Success stories from Offshore Wind Research, Development and Deployment**

Carbon Trust's Offshore Wind Accelerator, Phil de Villiers, Carbon Trust

From Scanwind to GE – becoming a global player anchored in Mid-Norway,  
Martin Degen, GE

HyWind – A success story – A catalyst with Access as an example,  
Sjur Bratland, Statoil

Offshore wind farm forecasting and energy production, Jostein Mælan, StormGeo

Using research experiences in marine technology for advancing offshore wind  
technology, Prof. Torgeir Moan, NTNU

Research gives results, Espen B Christophersen, Research Council of Norway



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Accelerating progress of offshore wind energy through targeted R&D

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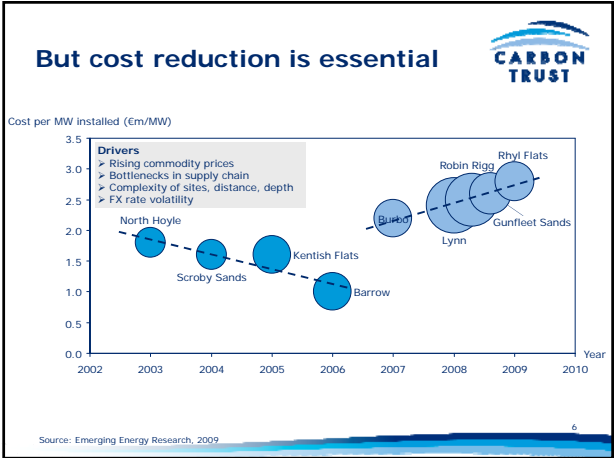
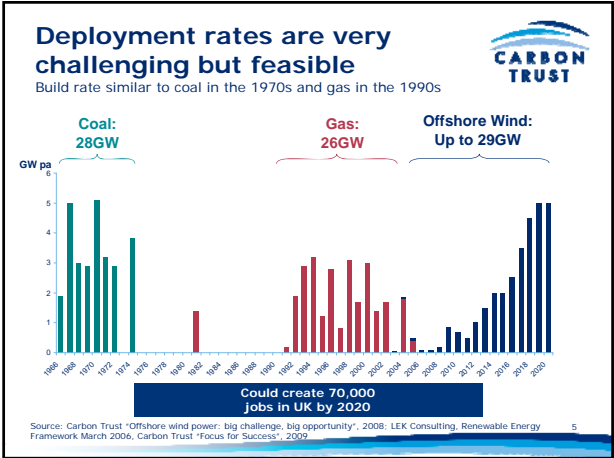
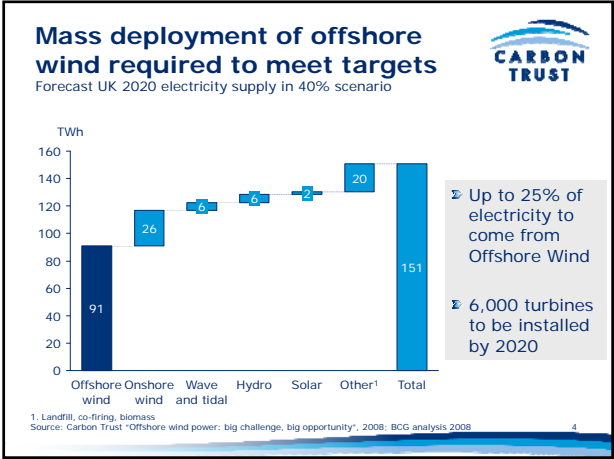
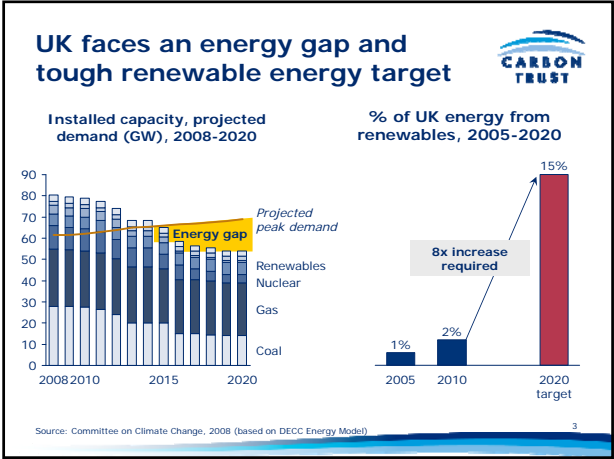
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We cut carbon now by

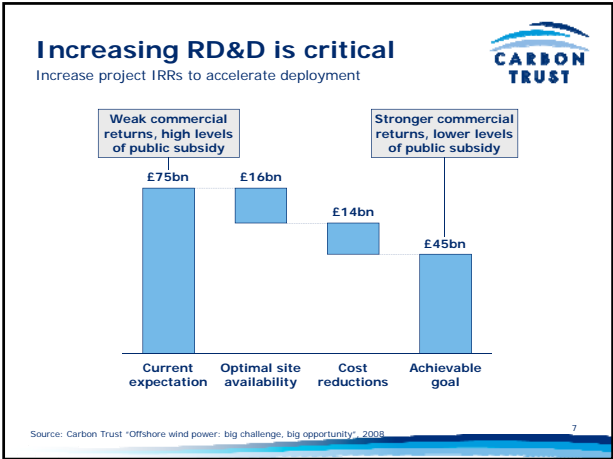
- ▶ Providing specialist advice and finance to help organisations cut carbon
- ▶ Setting standards for carbon reduction

We cut future carbon emissions by

- ▶ Opening markets for low carbon technologies
- ▶ Leading industry collaborations to commercialise technologies
- ▶ Investing in early stage low carbon companies







### Offshore Wind Accelerator is a consortium to reduce costs

Objective: Reduce cost of energy by 10% through RD&D

**8 developers + Carbon Trust**

- Focusing on developing technologies for
  - Round 1 & 2 extensions
  - Round 3
  - Scottish Territorial Waters
- Total budget ~£40m
  - £10m for collaborative R&D
  - Up to £30m for demonstrations
  - Carbon Trust funds 1/3
- Commitment to 2014
  - Started October 2008

### 60% of UK market is in OWA: attractive for innovators

OWA developers have 30GW of licensed capacity in UK waters

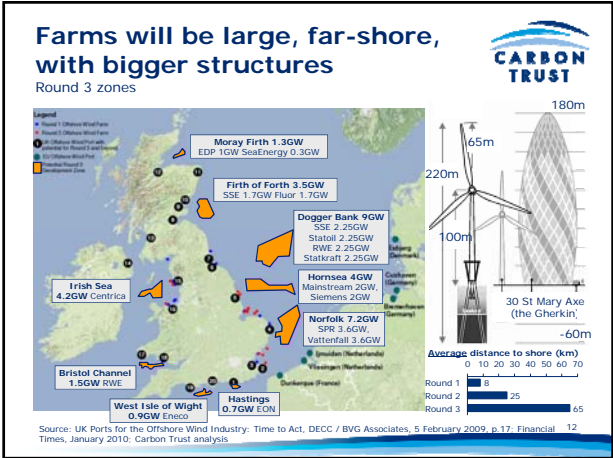
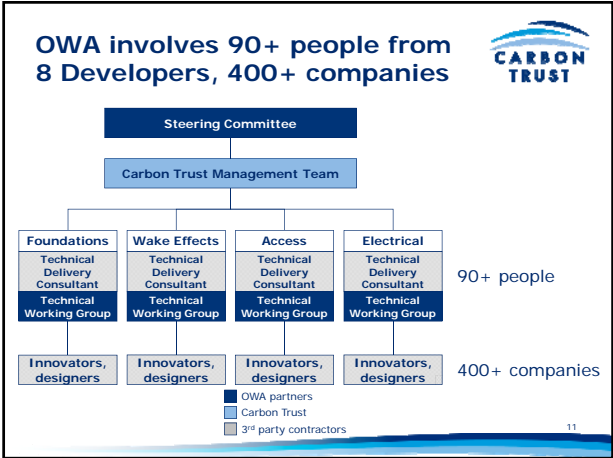
Developer	Round 1	Round 2	STW & Demo	Round 3	Total market
RWE	170	2,200	423	3,750	6,555 41%
SSE	10	504	1,518	3,983	6,015 37%
Centrica	194	1,430	4,185	5,809	11,618 74%
SPR	250	1,500	3,800	5,300	11,350 72%
Vattenfall	240	498	2,600	4,398	7,736 49%
DONG	198	2,406	280	2,884	5,668 36%
Statkraft	115	1,250	2,250	4,615	8,220 52%
Statoil	158	1,960	2,400	5,518	10,036 64%
Mainstream	360	2,000	2,380	4,740	9,480 60%
Siemens	2,000	2,000	2,000	6,000	12,000 77%
Fluor	252	1,733	1,925	3,900	7,810 50%
E.ON	244	800	300	1,344	2,688 17%
SeaEnergy	113	113	113	339	666 4%
EDP	200	200	200	600	1,200 8%
Eneco	90	90	90	270	540 3%
Warwick	90	90	90	270	540 3%
Fred Olsen	90	90	90	270	540 3%
Masdar	90	90	90	270	540 3%
EDF	90	90	90	270	540 3%
AREG	90	90	90	270	540 3%

Source: RenewableUK (Jan 2010), The Crown Estate (May 2010)

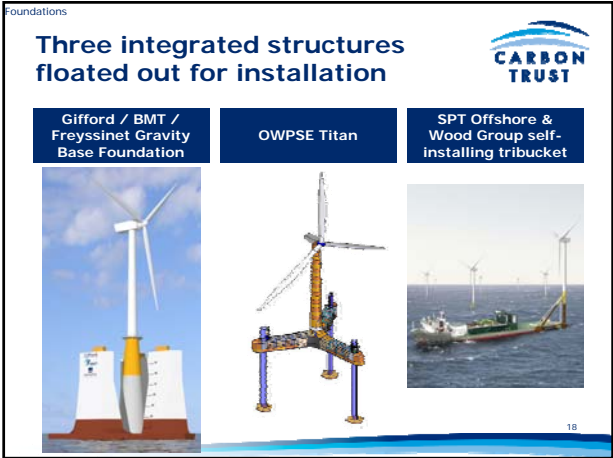
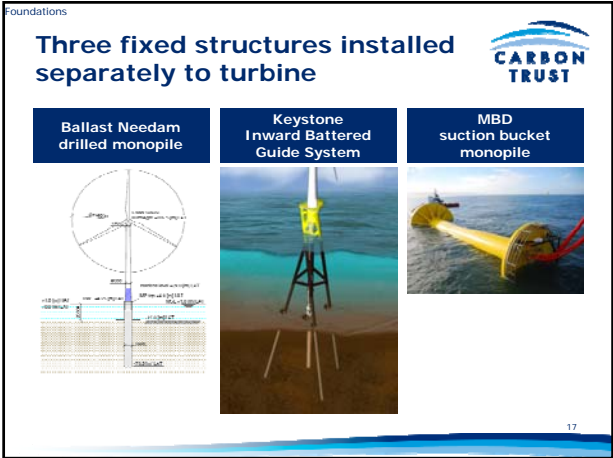
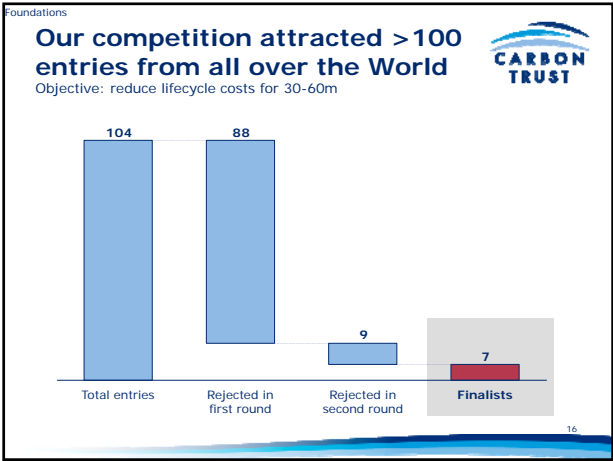
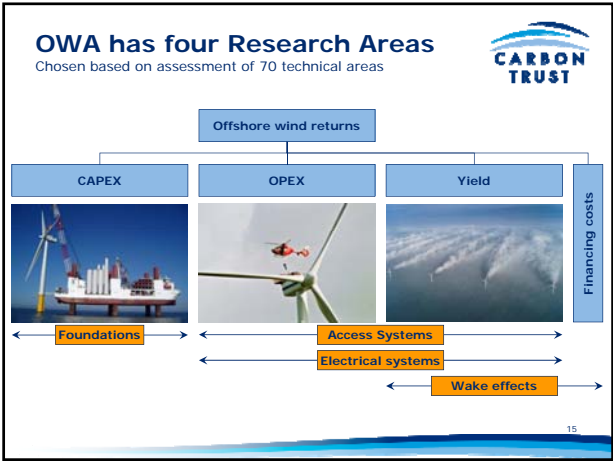
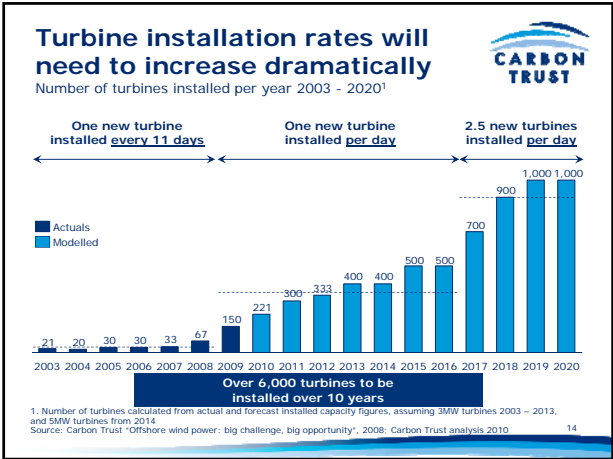
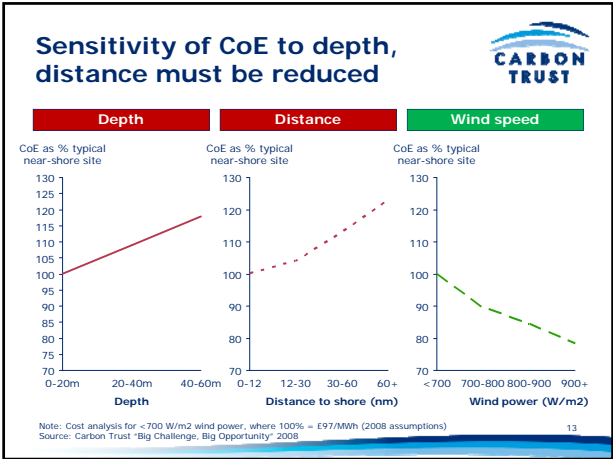
### OWA objectives

- Focus on commercial outcomes: reducing cost of energy by 10%
- Deliver innovations that can be implemented by offshore wind developers in time for Round 3 (~2015)
  - Learn by drawing on the experiences of the different members
    - Offshore wind, oil and gas, onshore wind
- Encourage the best designers to deliver the innovations
  - Let them keep their IP
  - Look internationally, not just to UK
  - Engage them on very specific challenges
- Look to other industries for technology transfer
  - Not just oil and gas, but also civil engineers, naval architects, manufacturers
- Operate responsively to member needs, and cost effectively

Objectives require very targeted R&D











Foundations

### One floating structure

Glosten Tension Leg Platform





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Foundations

### Four structures short-listed for further development

Based on suitability for Round 3

#### Gifford-BMT-Freyssinet



#### Keystone



#### MBD



#### SPT Offshore & Wood Group





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Foundations

### Current focus: Mass production, and faster, cheaper installation

#### Fabrication



Airbus A320

#### Installation



IHC

- Standardise, optimise, automate
- Improve utilisation rates

Next step: demonstrate concepts are ready for deployment



Electrical Systems

### Electrical systems is focusing on higher voltage arrays

- Validate costs and benefits of higher voltage arrays
  - Design impact of higher voltage
    - eg, cables, substation, transition
  - Supplier engagement to ensure equipment will be available
  - Determine optimal voltage





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Wake Effects

### Increase accuracy of wake effect models

Reduce financing costs, increase yields



Coloured lines represent different models or model variants

Measured Data

Upper 25%

Lower 25%



#### Next steps

- Develop more accurate wake effects models
- Develop tools to optimise layouts
- Measurement campaign to reduce data collection costs
- Test performance of floating LIDAR



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Access Systems

### Competition for technologies to increase O&M days

Closed 26 November 2010: 450 entries, ~50 from Norway



Significant wave height [m]

Today

Future

3.0m [future technology]

1.5m [current technology]

310 days/year

200 days/year

Cumulative days/year

0

365



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### Conclusions

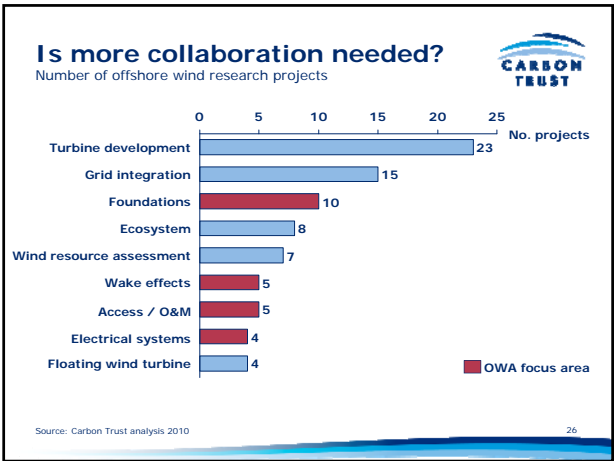
We believe OWA is a successful model for collaboration

- **Cost-effective approach for performing R&D**
  - Each members' annual contribution generates 12x research
- **Efficient forum for members to learn from each other**
- **Successful for screening the market for new technologies**
- **Promotes technology transfer from other industries**
  - Allowing new companies to enter the market
- **Very targeted R&D: Keeps focused on commercial returns**

...but we are still learning and would welcome further collaboration with research organisations and innovators



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### Questions

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GE Energy

From Scanwind to GE – becoming a global player anchored in Mid-Norway

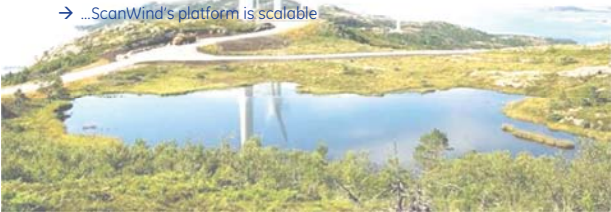
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January 2011

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GE Wind Energy  
Nordic Region

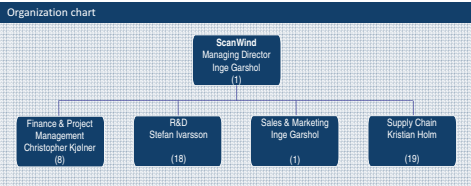


What did GE aquire with Scanwind...?

- ...Established in 1999 for marketing of large wind turbines suited for harsh environments based on own design.
- ...ScanWind has developed a superior product platform especially designed for harsh environments with high winds and turbulence like the Northern European coastal onshore and offshore markets
- ...ScanWind's platform has been proven over 25 years accumulated, of successful operations, in one of the toughest wind farms in the world; Hundhammerfjellet Wind Farm.
- ...ScanWind's platform is scalable



VI. Organization  
- Organization structure

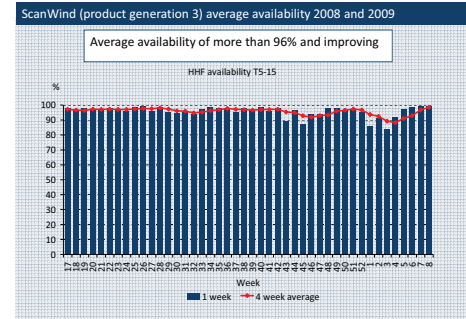


- 42 employees and 5 consultants
- Average age ~38
- HQ in Trondheim incl. Sales & Marketing, Finance & Project Management and Purchasing & Logistics
- Manufacturing & Services in Verdal
- R&D is located in Karlstad (Sweden)

January 17, 2011



IV. Technology  
- Availability



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We are GE We are a global infrastructure, finance, and media company taking on the world's toughest challenges.



2009 revenue \$157 billion and profit \$11.2 billion  
300,000 employees across 100 countries



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2009 Revenues / % of total revenues

Global Research

Began in Schenectady,  
New York in 1900  
Founded with the focus to improve businesses  
through technology



Today: One of the world's most diverse industrial labs and the cornerstone  
of GE's commitment to technology



2,800 research employees  
26,000 GE technologists worldwide  
GE technology spend: ~\$6B



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GE's Global Renewables Footprint



GE Energy in Norway

GE Footprint

- 2300 GE Employees in Norway
- 850 GE Energy...Growing 10%+
- 400 Mfg & Services
- 370 Engineers
- 80 Project Mgmt & Sourcing
- Thermal Fleet ... ~3.5GW offshore
  - ~150 GE Aero Gas Turbines
  - ~135 GE O&G NP Compressors
  - ~130 GE VG Service Wells
- Wind Fleet ... ~35MW onshore
  - 11 GE direct drive turbines (former Scanwind)
  - 1 x 1.5MW Cold Weather test unit, Tromsø

Strong Presence ... Growing ...Green Jobs

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GE Renewables business journey

GE revenue (\$ in billions)



Keys to success

- Focusing on customer value
- Product leadership
  - Technology differentiation
  - Efficiency/reliability
  - Low Cost of Energy
- Global supply chain
  - High quality
  - Rapid response
- Flawless execution ... project management & logistics

Wind ... GE's #1 ecomagination play

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Renewable Energy Portfolio



Design Evolution through proven technology

Built on solid ScanWind platform

- Enhance generator rating to 4MW with improved cooling
- Minimal changes to base design... Scale-up of structural components only where required

Leverage GE technology portfolio

- Reduction of loads with GE's Advanced Loads Control... In commercial operation on GE 2.5xl and GE 1.5xl
- Grow rotor size to 113m with advanced blade technology... leverage 100m blade experience
- Wind Power Plant solution for seamless grid integration

Combining solid ScanWind platform with proven GE load reducing technology

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GE 4MW... the evolutionary next step

Direct-Drive MMW Introduction	SW 3 2005	SW 3.5 2007	GE 4MW 2011**
Rotor Diameter (m)	90	90	113
Capacity Factor* (%)	48	44	53
AEP (GWh)	12.7	13.4	19.2

\* Estimated AEP at 10 m/s and 98% availability

\*\* Fleet Leader target COD

Features

- ✓ Reliability... gearless machine
- ✓ Product competitiveness... 113m rotor
- ✓ Maintainability and safety... spacious nacelle and ease of access
- ✓ Seamless grid integration
- ✓ Designed for IEC Ib environment

Proven Experience

13 direct-drive machines installed at Hundhammerfjellet (Norway)

- COD Dates: Two SW 3/90 in 2005, Four SW 3.5/90 in 2007, Seven SW 3.5/90 in 2008
- Design validated in very challenging site conditions
  - Coastal location: high salinity and lightning
  - High wind speed: 9.2 m/s
  - Temperature ranging from -25°C to +25°C

Enhancing performance of proven platform

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**Right Technology**  
Industry's lowest LCOE in average water depth

**High Reliability and Production**

**Low Opex**

**Right Partner**  
Through technology, supply chain, and safety

**Technology Leader**

**Energy industry Leader**


Right technology from the right partner... at the right time



Thank you

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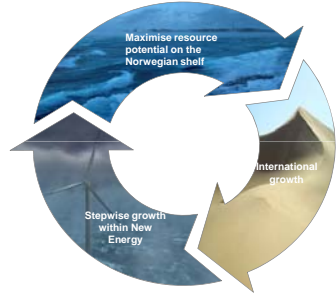


*HyWind –A success story –  
A catalyst with Access as an example*

Trondheim 21.01.2011


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### Statoil`s threefold strategy

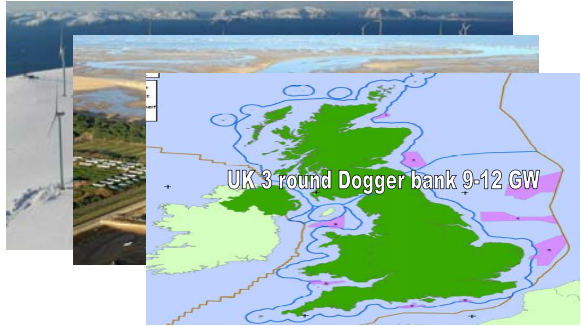


- Harsh environment
- Deep water
- Heavy oil
- Gas value chain


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### Building our Competence



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### Hywind – slender cylinder concept



- Decision to invest was taken in May 08
- Experience and knowledge from the petroleum sector have been essential to enhance concept

**Partners/Contractors**

- Siemens
- Technip
- Nexans
- Haugaland Kraft
- Enova

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### Onshore on quay Stavanger



- Preambly of tower, nacelle and rotor
- Turbine, tower and blades assembled

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### Lift of upper tower and nacelle on 13 May 2009



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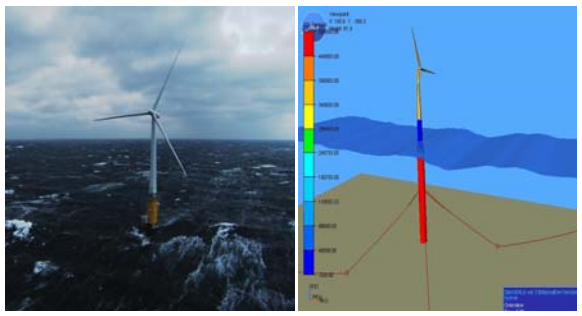


### Hywind – Status after one year of operation

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### Hywind – opens new markets


A game changing technology, qualified?



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### One year of operation – The Hywind concept is qualified


- Production is as good as or better than other 2.3 MW Siemens wind power turbines
  - Loads factors above 40 %
- Wind turbine has preformed well. No drawbacks from being installed on a floater
  - Less alarms than anticipated
- Access and maintenance equal to other offshore wind installations
- All technical systems are working well



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### System integrity is verified

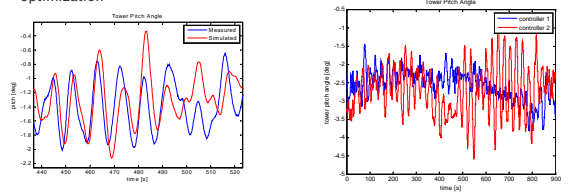
- All sub system inspected
  - Mechanical systems
  - Electrical systems
  - Alarms
  - Temperatures
  - Oil samples
- The Hywind movements has proven not to be an issue for the system integrity



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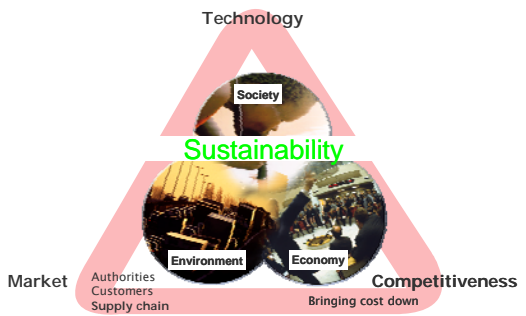
### Verification of our structural load model

- 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



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### Bringing Wind Power into a new era (floating) is about working along 3 axis



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Focus areas bringing cost down

- **Turbine** – Close cooperation with suppliers to reduce unit costs, bring weight down and increase reliability.
  - Create believe in future markets
- **Marine operations** – Utilize established routines and experience from our offshore activity, working together with new and established suppliers
  - Active and demanding customer
- **Sub-structure** – Optimizing within Hywind patents and design
  - Our main task

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Hywind II will have a shorter design and larger turbine

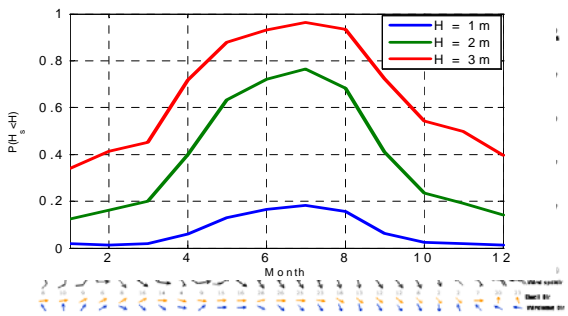
- Conservative design for Hywind pilot
- WTG weight sensitive
  - Large scale park cost comparable with bottom fixed
  - Focus on commercialization of Hywind technology



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Access challenges



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Fob Trim



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Access challenging



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Buddy



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FOB Swath



- 1. Improve access and utilization: Operate in SWATH MODE (Small Waterplane Area Twin Hull) in up to 3 m. significant wave heights and in high sea swells;
- 2. Reduce fuel consumption, 10 liters per nautical mile at 25 knots;
- 3. 30 knots as top speed and 25 knots as service speed;
- 4. Improve passenger comfort for 36 passengers;
- 5. Improve flexibilities: Shallow water, DP, Crane, Additional boat, etc.
- 6. Improve safeties;

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FOB Swath seatrials



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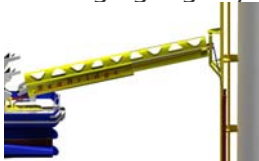
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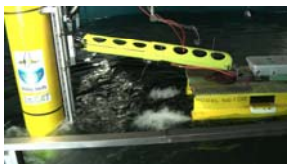
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SeaBridge gangway concept by Brothers AS



- The SeaBridge concept consists of three main units:
- Gangway
  - Docking station
  - Universal joint/towing point

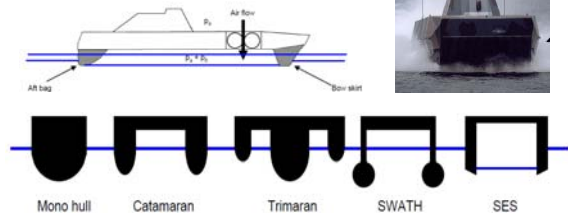


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SES Concept by Umoe Mandal

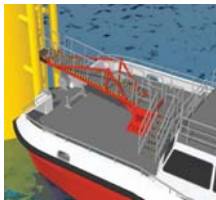
- Air supplied to cushion by centrifugal lift fans
- Increasing the air cushion pressure relative outside atmospheric pressure
  - Typically 80% of lift force from air cushion (20% from hull)



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Access systems



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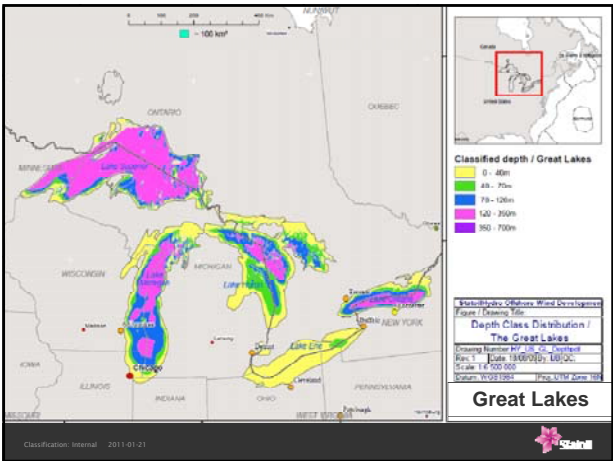




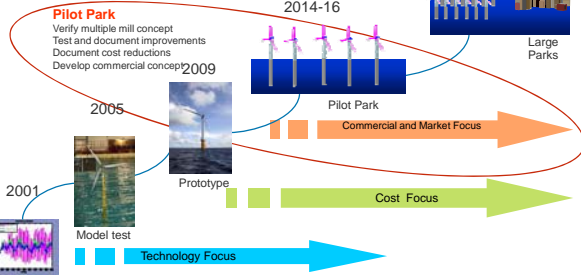
Markets

- Initial markets
  - Scotland
  - US
    - East coast -Maine, Great lakes
  - Norway
- Next phase
  - Asia -Japan
  - Spain/Portugal - Mediterranean
  - Greece, Egypt, Malta, France, Korea, Turkey, Brazil, Italy
- Third phase
  - South America, New Zealand, South Africa

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From Idea to Commercial Concept



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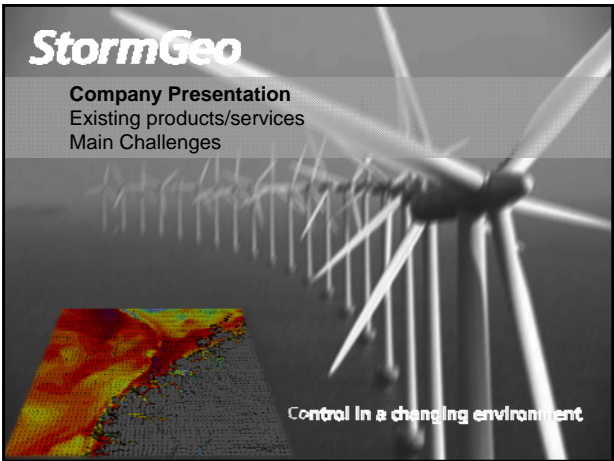
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### A SNAPSHOT






#### History & facts


- Founded in 1997, official start in 1998
  - Founded by meteorologist Siri Kalvig and TV 2
  - Worldwide operations in the Renewables, Offshore and Media industries
  - Headquarters in Bergen, Norway
- Owned by:
  - IDEKAPITAL AS: 38.6 %
  - TV 2 Invest AS: 38.6 %
  - Orkan Invest AS: 8.1 %
  - Management/Employees: 14.7 %
- Board and CEO
  - Erik Langaker, Axel Dahl, Siri M Kalvig, Endre Solem
  - CEO Kent Zehetner
- 82 employees 8 offices
  - The group includes StormGeo AS, StormGeo Ltd, StormGeo Inc., Seaware AB
  - Offices in Norway, UK, Sweden, Denmark, USA, Azerbaijan
- Invested MNOK 100 in R&D over P&L since inception
  - A leading weather services provider in Europe

### Selected customers




Industries	Renewables	Offshore	Shipping	Media
Selected customers				
Key Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>First customer: 1998</li><li>First trading service: 1999</li><li>First Hydro service: 2000</li><li>90 % wind market: 2008</li><li>First offshore turbine: 2008</li><li>Dogger Bank: 2009</li><li>Sancti Spiritus: 2010</li><li>Inst Cap 1.5 GW: 2010</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>First customer: 1998</li><li>BP: 2000</li><li>ExxonMobil Norway: 2005</li><li>Statcoi ASA: 2005</li><li>Hydro AS: 2006</li><li>Shell Europe: 2009</li><li>Brazil &amp; Olegit: 2010</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>First Customer: 2001</li><li>Seaware Routing: 2003</li><li>Seaware EnRoute: 2006</li><li>Seaware EnRoute Live: 2008</li><li>BG: 2010</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>First customer: 1998</li><li>WOD: 2000</li><li>Weather Channel: 2004</li><li>Sky Italy 24/7: 2005</li><li>NTV MSNBC: 2006</li><li>Athorbiadet &amp; SVT: 2008</li><li>Storm.no: 2009</li></ul>


### Competence, Innovation, Inspiration




#### Aberdeen




#### Baku




#### Dublin




#### København




#### Houston




#### Stockholm




#### Stavanger

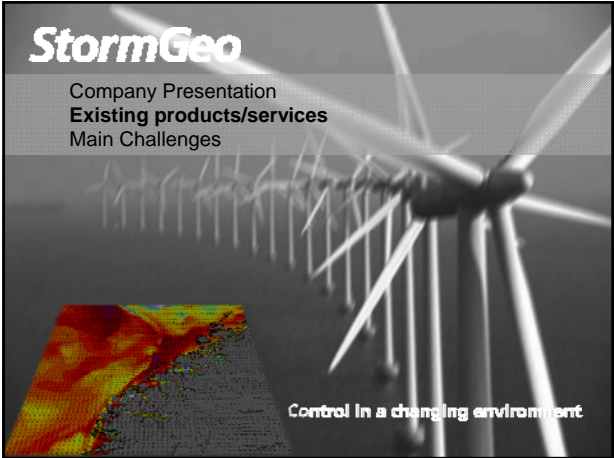


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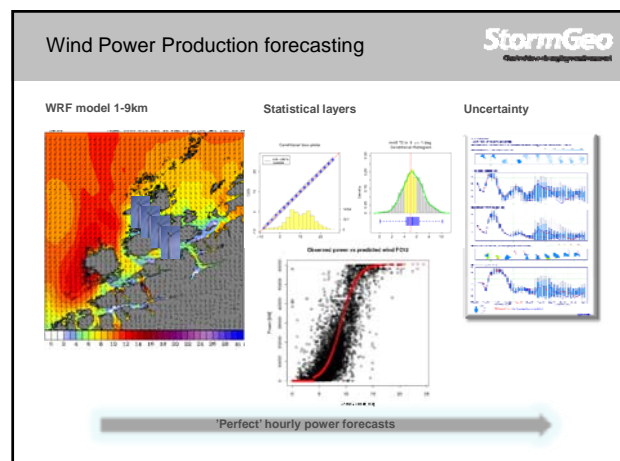
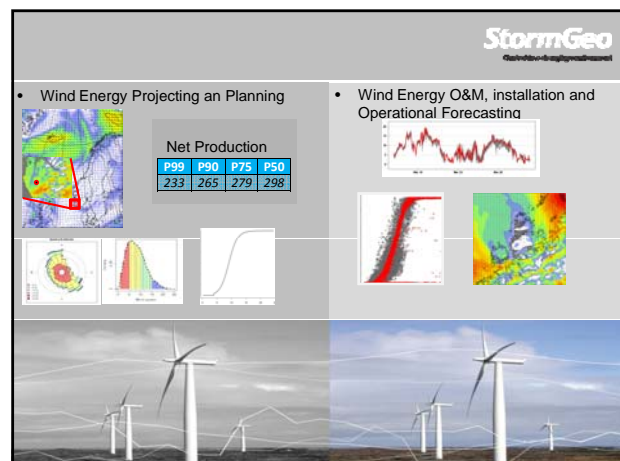
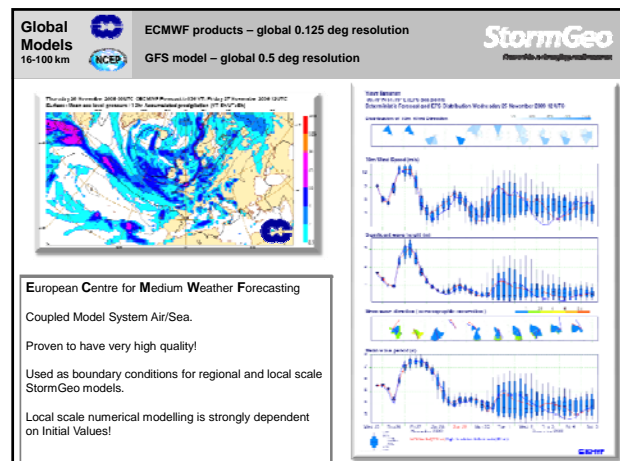


#### Bergen



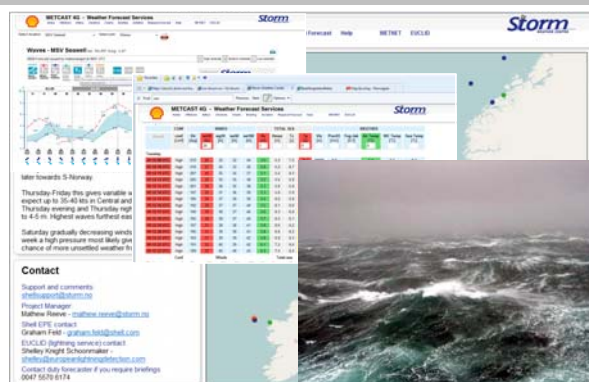




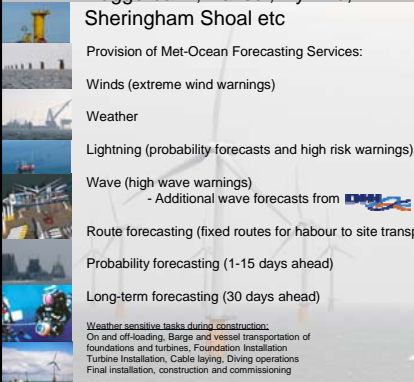





Weather Window, Criteria forecasting  
For Offshore Wind Installations/Operations




Thanet Wind Farm Project  
London Array Wind Farm Project  
Doggerbank, Havsul, Hywind,  
Sheringham Shoal etc



Provision of Met-Ocean Forecasting Services:

- Winds (extreme wind warnings)
- Weather
- Lightning (probability forecasts and high risk warnings)
- Wave (high wave warnings)  
- Additional wave forecasts from 
- Route forecasting (fixed routes for harbour to site transportation)
- Probability forecasting (1-15 days ahead)
- Long-term forecasting (30 days ahead)

Weather sensitive tasks during construction:  
On and off-loading, Barge and vessel transportation of foundations and turbines, Foundation Installation  
Turbine Installation, Cable laying, Diving operations  
Final installation, construction and commissioning



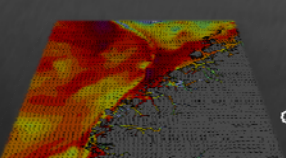
THE LONDON ARRAY OFFSHORE WIND FARM, UK

Water depths of 25 metres and variable and extreme are among the challenges facing the design team of the world's largest offshore wind farm

StormGeo

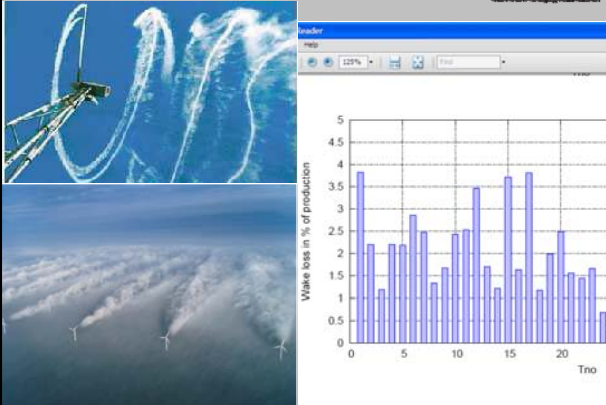
Company Presentation  
Existing products/services  
Main Challenges

- Wakes
- Winds in the MBL
- Weather Windows for installation/construction




Control in a changing environment

Wake Loss/Calculations



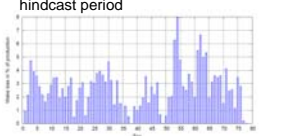
CFD - the effect of wakes OpenFoam  
Winds/waves modelling




Key factors:

- Open source – sharing competence – efficient solvers - OpenFoam
- 'Changing' weather in micro scale CFD approach – profile information

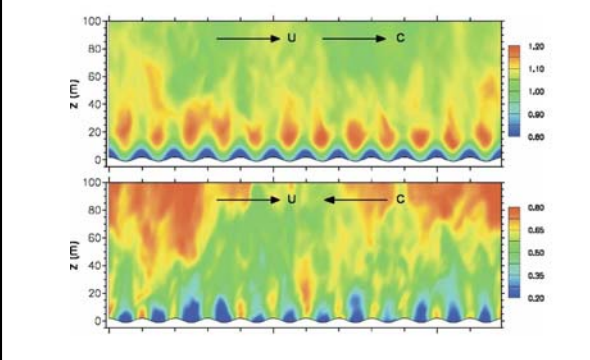
Ex: The wake loss is calculated for every time step of the whole hindcast period





Wake loss on estimated energy production has been implemented into StormGeo planning software

Understanding the winds important to wind power  
production offshore - Air/Sea coupling





### RFF - Improved design criterias WRF - SWAN Atmosphere / Wave Coupling

StormGeo

All aspects of offshore wind turbines (design, placement, production) require accurate knowledge of how the waves and wind will affect the installations.

Global models 0.125

Initial and boundary conditions from EC

ECMWF

A coupled atmosphere-ocean at fine scale is needed.

WRF 1 km

SWAN 1 km

$U_{10}, V_{10}, z/L, \rho_{air}$

Roughness,  $z_0$

### Understanding the winds important to wind power production offshore - Air/Sea coupling

StormGeo

How does a "non-flat" sea affect the wind fields, power production?

A typical offshore wind picture....

...and installation/construction?  
...and support/maintenance work?

No waves - no wind!

### Weather window for installation/construction

StormGeo

CONF		WINDS										TOTAL SEA	
Real	Conf	Dir	Dr	ws100	ws100	ws100	ws100	ws100	ws100	ws100	ws100	Tp	Hmax
Friday													
12.00 12 UTC	High	30	25	31	22	22	27	18	5.8	2.3	1.1	1.2	1.2
12.00 15 UTC	High	37	25	32	24	23	29	19	5.4	2.4	1.4	1.4	
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12.00 21 UTC	High	30	11	14	10	10	13	8	5.2	1.0	0.6	0.6	
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### Aquired Seaware, ship engineers

StormGeo

'Safety is the motivating factor'

Support from the industry

Support from the industry

Support from the industry

### R&D

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Strategic focus areas

WP1 - Wind & ocean conditions

WP2 - Technology & Innovations

WP3 - Deployment & Operation

WP4 - Wind farm optimisation

WP5 - Common themes

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### Thank you for listening.

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Using research experiences in  
marine technology for advancing  
offshore wind technology

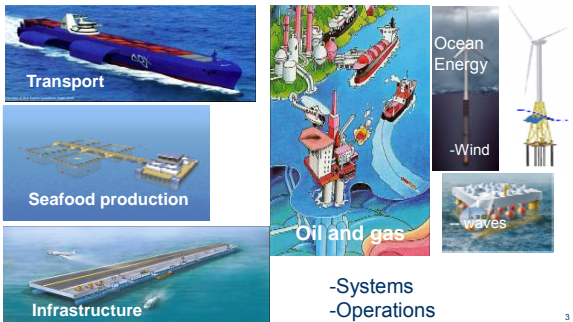
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Torgeir Moan

Outline

- ▶ Introduction
- ▶ Marine structures
  - serviceability
  - safety
  - example concepts
- ▶ Marine operations
- ▶ Research drivers
- ▶ Examples: sea loads & response, safety management, crack control, riser & umbilicals, wave energy converters
- ▶ Concluding remarks

Introduction: Marine technology

Safe, sustainable and economical utilisation of the oceans through:

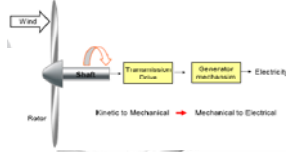


Introduction:  
Shipping vs wind turbines?

From machinery to propeller



From rotor to electricity



Introduction

Oil and gas exploitation



- The oil and gas industry is crucial to the world economy
- At the same time, the *society at large* is concerned about the industry's potential damage to the environment (and to men) – and its control
- Focus on safety for men, environment and property loss - implying "zero release" philosophy

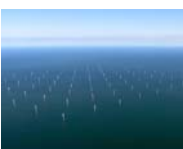
Open sea fish-farming



- Sea food production beyond 100 Mtons a year depends on aquaculture
- Increased production / quality could be achieved by large farms in open sea
- Novel industry with opportunities and challenges

Introduction

Wind power offshore



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Wave power



- Many facilities: concept development, involving model scale testing  
Some concepts: at prototype testing level
- Wave power occupies ocean space and meets the environmental challenge – by avoiding the coastal zone



### Marine Structures

Design

Fabrication

Operation

Life Cycle approach

Ultimate Limit State

Fatigue Limit State

Accidental Collapse Limit State

Design approach

- Explicit Limit State Criteria
  - Serviceability
  - Safety (ULS; FLS, ALS)
- Direct analysis of
  - Loads
  - Resistance
- Probabilistic methods
  - Reliability approach

Design check

Wave/current environment → Sea loads → Load effects → Design criteria (ULS, FLS, ALS)

Reference to specified probability level

Failure probability  $P_f = P(R < S)$

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Introduction, continued

### Design for Servicability (use)

- Platforms for drilling for and production of oil and gas
- Fishfarms
- Wind turbines

- Platform for supporting payload, and risers
- Limited motions
- Mobility of drilling vessels
- Access for IMMR

- Provide containment - prevent escape
- Ensure proper fish welfare
- Operational suitability for moving fish in and out, feeding etc
- Access for IMMR

- Provide support of payload
- Limited motions
- Access for IMMR

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Introduction

### Design for Safety

to avoid:

- Fatalities or injury
- Environmental damage
- Property damage

Regulatory regime (depends on economy; accident potential):

Offshore oil and gas	Fish farming	Wind energy
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- National regulatory bodies;</li><li>- Industry: API, NORSOK, - Classification soc.</li><li>- ISO/IMO</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>National Regulatory body</b>, Norway:</li><li>- Design code enforced in January 2004.</li><li>- Classification societies ??</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- IEC</li><li>- national reg. bodies</li><li>- classification societies</li></ul>

Overall stability

Strength

Escapeways/lifeboats

Regulatory principles

- Goal-setting viz. prescriptive
- Probabilistic viz. deterministic
- First principles viz. purely experiential

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### Example concepts for the oil and gas industry

Mobile drilling units

SEMI

SPAR Classic

SPAR Truss

SSP buoy

TLP- 4 Leg

TLP- 1 Leg

(Stationary) Floating Production Systems

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### Marine operations

Dynamic positioning and manoeuvring

Crane operations

Transport of heavy objects

- Mathematical modelling
- Manual vs automatic control
- Human factors

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### Knowledge transfer regarding concepts, methods - from oil & gas, aquaculture

- Differences between offshore wind turbines and other marine systems
  - function;
  - loads/hazards; risk of fatalities, environmental damage,
  - costs
  - size
  - one-of its-kind vs. mass production
- Analysis and design of system
  - sea loads
  - structural engng. & materials technology
  - safety (risk) management
- Installations, operations & maintenance

-Standardization (Best practice)

- Guidance

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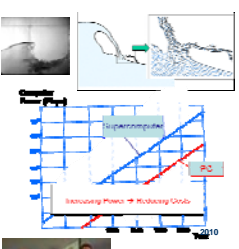
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### Introduction

## Research drivers

**Deepwater development of oil & gas**



**market pull** (industry driven)


**technology push** (researcher driven):

- Disciplinary research
- Inter-/cross- disciplinary (CeSOS: integrate hydrodynamics, structural mechanics and automatic control)
- Inventions or innovations

**Enabling technologies**

- Information and comm. technologies, e.g. (FEM, CFD)
- Materials technology
- Measurement technologies

**Nanotechnology**



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## Analysis for design

**Functional loads**

- dead loads
- pay loads

**Sea loads**

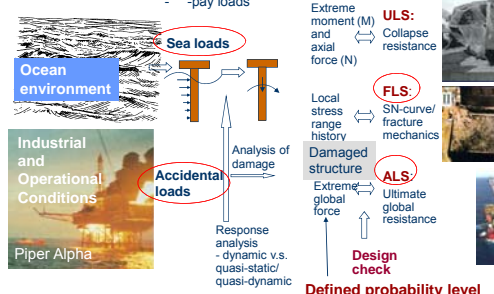
**Accidental loads**

**Design criteria**

- Extreme moment (M) and axial force (N) → **ULS**: Collapse resistance
- Local stress range history → **FLS**: SN-curve/fracture mechanics
- Damaged structure → **ALS**: Ultimate global resistance

**Design check**

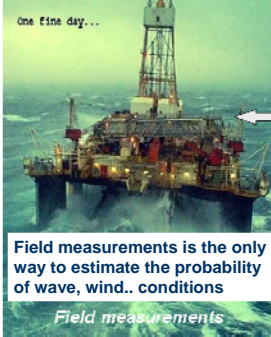
**Defined probability level**



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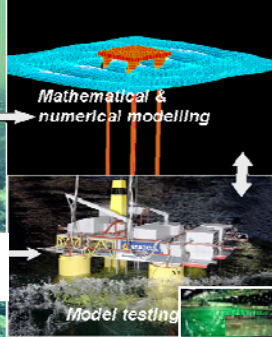
## Methods for generating new knowledge about sealoads

One fine day...



**Field measurements is the only way to estimate the probability of wave, wind.. conditions**

**Mathematical & numerical modelling**



**Field measurements**

**Model testing**

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## Computational Fluid Mechanics

**Potential Flow Methods**

**Basic Assumptions**

**Domain Decomposition**

**Navier-Stokes Methods**

**Field Equations**

**Interfaces**

**FOM solver**

**Gridless Methods**

**Stressors in the Comput. Domain**

**Domain Boundary**

**Body**

**body modeled numerically**

**body "naturally" tracked**

**Boundary-Fitted Grids**

**Moving particles near body**

**Not Boundary-Fitted Grids**

**Pseudo Navier-Stokes**

**Interface capturing (VOF, LS, MAC, CIP)**

**Interface tracking**

**Eulerian**

**Lagrangian**

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## Challenging hydrodynamics phenomena

**Impulsive loading should always be treated by dynamic analysis**

- wave slamming
- ringing loading due to steep, high waves

**Harmonic or irregular loading at natural frequencies (dynamic response)**

- wave frequency or sum or difference frequency loading due to drag term in the loading, nonlinearity associated with finite wave elevation and motions of the body

**Wave force**

$$F = q_b \cdot q$$

**Drag force**

$$F_D = \frac{1}{2} C_D \rho D v_x^2$$

**Drag force pr. unit length**

$$F_D = \frac{1}{2} C_D \rho D v_x^2$$

$v_x = \sin(\omega t)$

$$F_D = \frac{1}{2} C_D \rho D \sin^2(\omega t) = 0.05 \sin^2(4) - 0.17 \sin(8) - 0.02 \sin(16)$$

$\rho$  - density of water

$C_D$  - drag coefficient

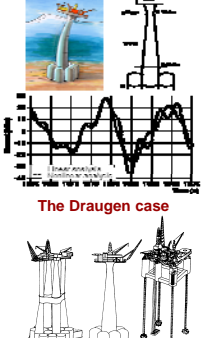
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## Ringing loads and response

**Features**

- Ringing occurs in:
  - high, steep waves
  - platforms with large volume and natural periods below 8s
- Load calculation is reasonably accurate for single columns
- In general: loads need to be determined by lab. tests
- Dynamic analysis is straight forward
- Ringing was discovered in the early 1990's

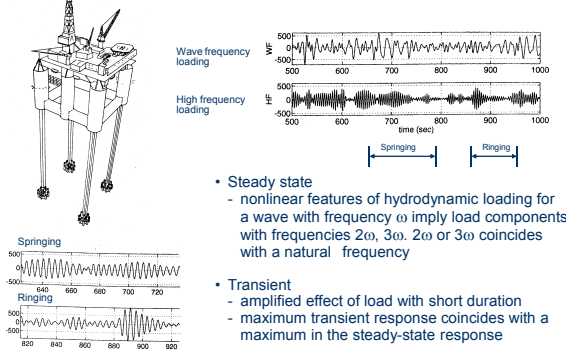
**The Draugen case**



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## High frequency wave load effects - tether tension



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## Stochastic analysis of wave load effects Extreme values and fatigue loads

### long term analysis

(different sea states)

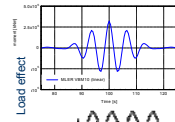
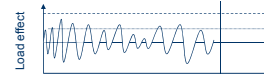
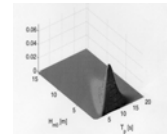
### short term

- 3 hour irregular wave sequence (by contour line method)

- wave episode

- regular (design) wave

Reduction of computational and experimental efforts



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## Lessons learnt from accidents



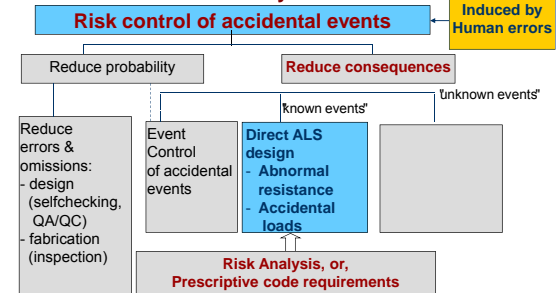
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## Safety management

- Risk Control with respect to**
- overall structural failure
  - overall loss of stability



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## Design for robustness (ALS criterion)

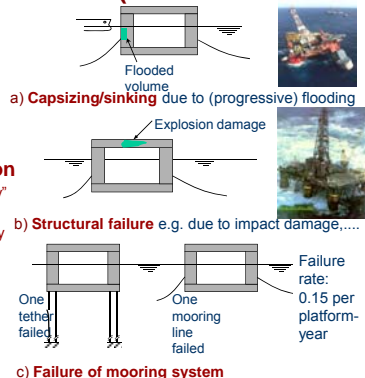
### Background

- ships and floating platforms have been required to have damage stability for a long time

### General criterion

- consequences of "any" small damage should not be disproportionately large

(Petroleum Safety Authority, Norway)



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## Accidental (Abnormal) Loads and their Effects

### Ship impacts?



- 1 Explosion loads (pressure, duration - impulse) scenarios explosion mechanics probabilistic issues  $\Rightarrow$  characteristic loads for design

- 2 Fire loads (thermal action, duration, size)

- 3 Ship impact loads (impact energy, -geometry)

- 4 Dropped objects

- 5 Accidental ballast

- 6 Unintended pressure

- 7 Abnormal Environmental loads

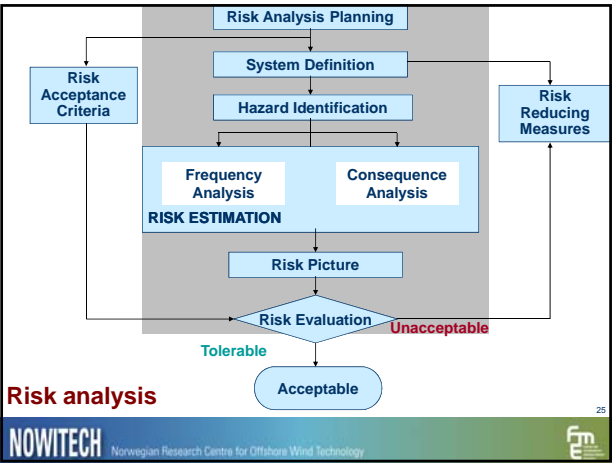
- 8 Environmental loads on platform in abnormal floating position

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### In-service experiences with cracks in North Sea platforms

➤ Data basis

- 3411 inspections on 30 North Sea jackets
- 690 observations of cracks
- The predicted frequency of crack occurrence was found to be 3 times larger than the observed frequency
- Cracks which are not predicted, do occur (13 % of observed fatigue cracks occurred in joints with characteristic fatigue life exceeding 800 years: due to abnormal fabrication defects or

**Jackets**

Name	Build Year	Design life (years)	ROF (%)	No. of cracks	Crack trend
BRUNNEN	1974	23.3%	0.80	115	✓
DEEPSEA	1976	22.1%	0.98	34	✓
TRANSOCEAN	1977	24.8%	1.20	59	✓

**Semisubmersibles**

➤ **Cracks have occurred, due to**

- lack of fatigue design check
- inadequate design check
- abnormal fabrication defects
- inadequate inspection

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### Crack control measures

Struct. type	Type of joint	Fatigue Design Factor 1)	Residual fatigue life	Ultimate reserve strength	Inspection (and repair) Method
Jacket	Tubular joint	2-10	Some-Significant	Normally	NDE <sup>2)</sup> Underwater
Semi-Subm.	Plated brace Plated col.-p.	1-3 1-3	Some-Some	By ALS <sup>4)</sup> Limited	LBB <sup>3)</sup> NDE LBB NDE
TLP	Tether Plated column	10 1-3	Small-Some	By ALS Limited	IM <sup>5)</sup> LBB NDE
Ship	Plated longt.	1-3	Significant	None	Close Visual

1) Fatigue Design Factor – by which the service life is to be multiplied with to achieve the design fatigue life  
2) NDE - Non Destructive Examination Method  
3) LBB - Leak before break monitoring  
4) ALS - Accidental Collapse Limit State  
5) IM - Instrumental monitoring (by "an intelligent rat")

**Diver inspection**

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### Reliability - based design

#### Design code calibration

$$R_c/\gamma_R > \gamma_D D_C + \gamma_L L_C + \gamma_E E_C$$

R — resistance  
D, L, E — load effects due to

- permanent
- live
- environmental

load effects

**Goal: The Implied**

$$P_i = P(R > D + L + E) \approx P_{fr}$$

P<sub>i</sub> depends upon the systematic and random uncertainties in R; D, L, and E

#### Reliability-based inspection planning:

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### Safety of Marine Operations

- Considering automatic control and human factors

**Research topics:**

- hydrodynamic modelling of motions
- automatic control
- reliability and safety (human factors)

Anchor handling and other subsea operations (the "Bourbon Dolphin" case)

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### Station keeping system

**Catenary mooring system**

Steel chain/wire

**Taut mooring**

Synthetic ropes

**Tension-leg system**

High strength - low weight carbon fibre tether instead of steel tether

### Challenges

Conventional Mooring –

- Long-term failure rates remain uncertain (One FPSO line failure every 6 yrs)
- Particular problems at connectors & interfaces (Noble Denton JIP)

Synthetic moorings

- Damage during handling
- Long term integrity
- Particular problems at terminations

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### Riser tensioner, slip joint and heave compensator

### Umbilicals on floating platforms

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### Wave energy converters

- ▶ Conceptual design
- ▶ Part-scale (Tank, Sea)
- ▶ Full-scale
- ▶ Pre-commercial
- ▶ Commercial

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### Synergy of renewable offshore (wind & wave energy) & conflicts of interest

- Transfer of knowledge regarding design & operation
- Share infrastructure;
- Power to shore or to other facilities

- with offshore oil and gas,      - with aquaculture,

Shore

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### Concluding remarks

Photo of Fram on the polar expedition in March 1894

- Concepts and operational procedures as well as assessment methods established in the oil & gas and other marine industries may be adapted in offshore wind activities by proper adjustment in view of the differences in the relevant industries
- bottom fixed and floating wind turbines
- hydrodynamic analysis
- safety management in general and in crack control in particular

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### R&D gives results

Deep Sea Offshore Wind R&D Seminar,  
20. - 21. January 2011, Trondheim

Espen Borgir Christophersen, The Research Council of Norway







CONCEPT  
DESIGN  
PROJECT PLAN

TECHNOLOGY R&D  
MODELLING  
PILOT  
LABORATORY  
USER DRIVEN  
R&D INSTITUTIONS

DEVELOPMENT  
UP-SCALED PILOTS

DEMONSTRATION  
FULL SCALE  
END USER

MARKET

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### Examples of supported projects

- ANGLE WIND**  
New mechanical gearbox for drive train for wind turbines




- NOWERI**  
250 kW floating wind turbine  
NORCOWE/NOWITECH - project  
66 mill. NOK funding i 2010




- INGENIUM AS**  
Kattamaranlekter med løfte mekanismer



- Alfanor 7125 AS**  
Fred Olsen wind energy drive train









	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Sum
Projects	2	33	40	27	21	56	179
Total grant (mill. NOK)	1	117	138	122	89,7	371	837,7

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New methods/models	111
Publishing	
Scientific articles w/ referee	81
Scientific articles	104
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New products	22
New processes	15
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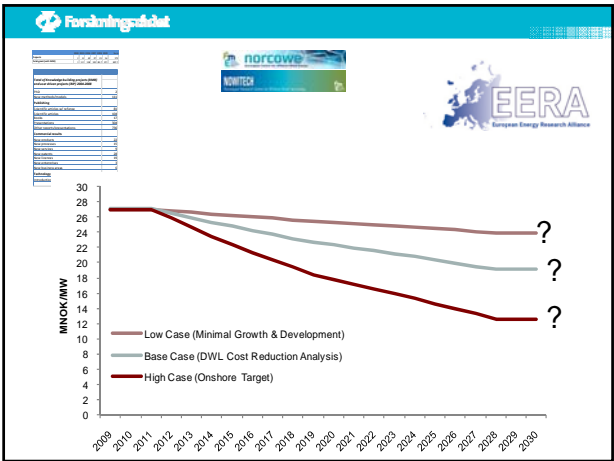












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