# **Effect of Offshore Wind farm Design on the Oceanic Motion**

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# **OBECTIVES**

#### Study the effect of wind farm design on the ocean

#### Part I: Method

- Use a wake model to calculate the wind velocity
- Perform ocean model simulations with anomaly wind forcing

#### Part II: Case study

- Havsul area
- 2 different wind farm designs

#### WHY STUDY THE OCEAN RESPONSE?

Large scale: Transport of nutrients (ecosystem) Modify regional ocean circulation (heat/salt transport)

# Small scale:Local ecosystemFish farms (waste transport, lice<br/>spread)



#### **SOME HISTORY**

#### **Brostrøm (2008):**

The idea of wind farm induced upwelling/downwelling is introduced

#### Paskyabi and Fer (2013)

Wave effects included

#### This study:

sensitivity to wind farm design



# WAKE MODEL (GONZÁLEZ-LONGATT ET AL, 2011)

Jensen model – linear wake expansion

Shaddow effects included to account for multiple turbines

Include a layer downwind the wind farm where free slip wind speed is retained



# WIND FARM DESIGN

Diameter: 120 m

Hub heigth: 90 m

Number of turbines: 70

Wake expansion coefficient: 0.05

Thrust coefficient: 0.4







#### **POTENTIAL WIND FARM DESIGNS** (JENSEN, 2013)

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Nysted (NHP) 72x2.3 MW Hub height: 68 m Rotor diameter: 82 m





Horns Rev 2 (HR2) 91x2.3 MW Hub height: 68 m Rotor diameter: 93 m

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Walney 1&2 (WOW) 2x51x3.6 MW Hub height: xx&yy m Rotor diameter: 107&120 m

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Anholt (ANH) 111x3.6 MW Hub height: YY m Rotor diameter: 120 m



# **CHOSEN WIND FARM DESIGN**



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# WAKES (NORMAL WIND)

Wind Farm Design 1



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Wind Farm Design 2



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C.NO

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# **OCEAN MODEL - ROMS**

Terrain following (20 vertical sigma layers)

500 m grid resolution

Surface forcing: HIRLAM 12 km (met.no)

Boundary forcing: Norkyst-800 + TPXO tidal model



## **CASE STUDY – HAVSUL AREA**





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## WIND FIELD - HAVSUL

Havsul: 1958-2011



Havsul: 11-13 March 2014





# EXPERIMENTS

Simulation period: March 11, 2014 – March 13, 2014

Control run: Unperturbed wind field

Model Run 1: Wake generated by Wind Farm Design 1

Model Run 2: Wake generated by Wind Farm Design 2



#### MEAN FIELDS – SSH & W

Sea surface height [cm]



Vertical velocity [m/day]



#### **ANOMALY VERTICAL VELOCITY (M/DAY)**





24 h



12 h







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62°48' N

62°46' N

62°45' N

-90

PC



ANOMALY WIND STRESS (N/M<sup>2</sup>)

# **TOPOGRAPHIC EFFECTS**

# Horizontal flow over varying topography →vertical velocities





ANOMALY CURRENTS (M/S)















# SUMMARY

# Outlined a method to relate ocean respons to wind farm design

#### For case study (Havsul):

- Anomaly upwelling/downwelling in both experiments
- Topographic effects of greatest importance
- Ocean response **IS** dependent on wind farm design



#### **Thanks for your attention**

