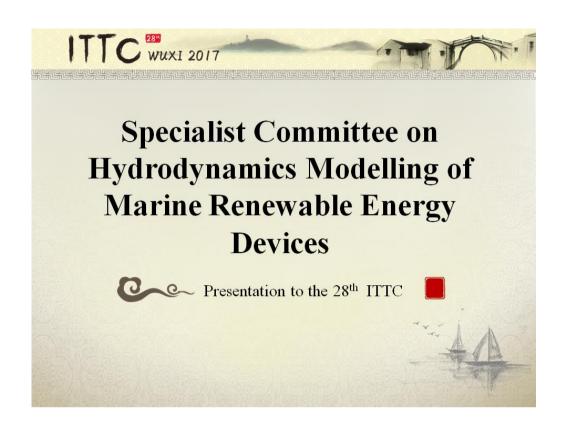
# **Specialist Committee on Hydrodynamic Modeling of Marine Renewable Energy Devices**

Presentation & Discussion at the 28th ITTC Conference





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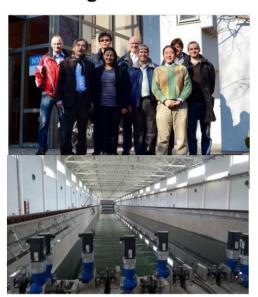
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### **Committee Meetings**

The committee met four times:

- Yokohama National University, Japan (February 2015)
- Australian Maritime College, Australia (February 2016)
- SINTEF Ocean, Norway (July 2016)
- Centrum Techniki Okrętowej (CTO), Poland (February 2017)
- \*The committee also met prior to the full conference at Shanghai Jiaotong University (SJTU).





## Committee's Tasks

- 1. Guideline development
  - Cooperation with IEC,
     DNV-GL and major
     project initiatives
- 2. Reporting state-of-theart work related to:
  - Wave energy converters (WEC)
  - Current turbines
  - Offshore wind turbines (OWT)





### **Guideline Development**

- Cooperation with others generating guidelines include:
  - International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) TC88 (Wind Turbines) & TC114 (Marine Energy)
  - o DNV-GL

JIP - Coupled Analysis Of Floating Wind Turbines



- · Other guidelines providing fragmented guidance e.g. WEC PTO modelling and control, extrapolation from model to full-scale and uncertainty analysis.
- Gaps between wave tank and ocean tests covered by major research & industry collaborative projects















## **Revisions to Existing Guidelines**

#### 7.5-02-07-03.7 Wave Energy Converter Model Test Experiments

- Careful consideration of the differences and complexities in testing a device at various TRLs, e.g. PTO system, survivability tests
- Reference new uncertainty procedure 7.5-02-07-03.12 Uncertainty Analysis for a Wave Energy Converter

#### 7.5-02-07-03.8 Model Tests for Offshore Wind Turbines

- · Development stage (TRL) better defined
- Updated to include the recent advances in hybrid testing technology

#### 7.5-02-07-03.9 Model Tests for Current Turbines

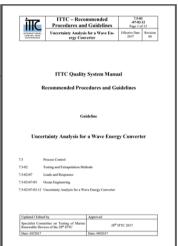
• Reference new uncertainty procedure 7.5-02-07-03.15 Uncertainty analysis - Example for horizontal axis turbines



## **Uncertainty Guideline – WEC**

## 7.5-02-07-03.12 Uncertainty Analysis for a Wave Energy Converter

- Guideline complimentary to the ITTC Recommended Procedure, Wave Energy Converter Model Test Experiments (7.5-02-07-03.7).
- Developed based on ISO (1995).
- Focus on TRLs 1-4
- Example of testing an offshore–stationary oscillating water column (OWC) device is provided
- Evaluation of uncertainty in main parameters related to testing environment, and WEC power and efficiency
- 1st and only international guide for uncertainty analysis for WECs





## **Uncertainty Guideline – Current Turbines**

## 7.5-02-07-03.15 Uncertainty Analysis - Example for Horizontal Axis Turbines

Provides discussion on the sources of uncertainty such as:

- Scaling
- PTO contributions
- Model errors
  - Manufacturing
  - Structural
  - Functional
- Facility issues such as
  - · Flow and turbine control
  - Blockage

Provides an example of an uncertainty calculation for 800mm diameter horizontal axis turbine.





## Terms of Reference - Wave Energy Converters (WEC)

- 1. Develop guidelines for uncertainty prediction for WECs.
- Monitor and report on developments in power take-off (PTO)
  modelling both for physical and numerical predictions of power
  capture.
- 3. Review and report on the progress made on the modelling of WEC arrays.
- 4. Review and report on challenges associated with the performance of WECs in irregular wave spectra, particularly when they relate to physical modelling.
- 5. Check willingness of participants for the "round-robin" test campaign before starting work.
- 6. Review and report on integrated WEC simulation tools based on multi-body solvers which are in development.



### **Sea Trials & Demonstrations**

#### Seatricity

- Wave Hub test, UK
- 1:1 scale (~200 kW)
- 10 MW planned
- Point Absorber

#### **Eco Wave Power**

- Gibralter, Spain
- 100 kW
- 5 MW planned
- Point Absorber

#### Wave Energy Tech.

- Japan
- 1:10 scale
- 1.2 MW planned
- Point Absorber



## Carnegie Clean Energy

- WA, Australia
- 1:1 array (250 kW)
- 20 MW planned array
- Point Absorber



#### **Wave Swell Energy**



- US Navy WETS,
   Hawaii
- 1:1 scale
- Point Absorber





## WEC Power Take-off (PTO) Modelling

**Physical & Numerical Predictions of Power Capture** 

- · PTO typically extracts energy from
  - relative motion between the device and the water
  - relative motion between different parts of the device
- · Behaviour of PTO influences
  - o power capture
  - motions (rigid and/or hydroelastic)
  - hydrodynamic loads
- Appropriate simulation of PTO essential to determine the performance of the system in small-scale model tests

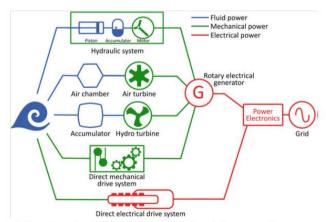




## WEC Power Take-off (PTO) Modelling

#### WEC PTO systems:

- Air or hydro turbines
- Hydraulics
- Direct electrical or mechanical drive systems
- flexible and/or electrical materials

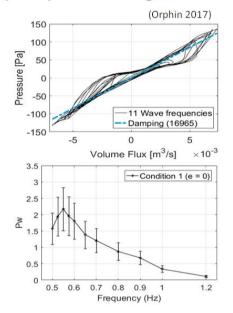


Different methods for wave energy to electricity conversion (Handbook of Ocean Wave Energy)



## WEC Power Take-off (PTO) Modelling

- At TRLs 1-4 typically use simplified / idealised passive systems
- Typical passive systems:
  - o Mesh, orifice plates on OWCs
  - Friction / pneumatic / hydraulic dampers for oscillating bodies
- Power capture determined from
  - pressure & flow rate (typically OWCs – see right figures)
  - measured force & velocity (typically oscillating bodies)
  - potential energy of fluid (overtopping devices)



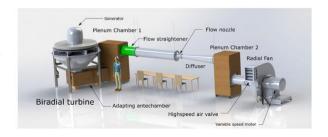


## WEC Power Take-off (PTO) Modelling

#### Example: Use of wave emulators:

- Capability to simulate realistic sea states often used for scaled experiments to verify numerical models, validate parameters of interest.
- Testing in dry laboratory environments provides easy accessibility, less cost and enables rapid development of PTO

Henriques et al. (2016) present the testing and control of a power take-off system for an oscillating water-column wave energy converter using wave emulators.



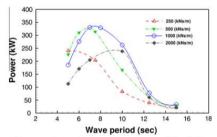


## **WEC PTO Modelling – Numerical Tools**

- Limited advanced in WEC PTO modelling tools.
- Example: PTO-Sim (WEC-Sim)
  - Sandia National Laboratories (SNL) and National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL)
  - Accurately models hydraulic/direct drive PTO systems
- Li and Yu (2013) developed a novel mesh matching method that allows using RANS to accurately describe the two body point absorber's behaviour under

complicated sea condition, which was not possible in the past.

- Significance of the nonlinear effects, including viscous damping and wave overtopping.
- Showed that the nonlinear effects could significantly decrease the power output and the motion of the FPA system, particularly in larger waves.

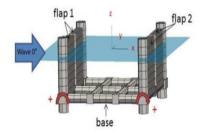


Power absorption performance of the FPA system in 4 m waves (Li and Yu (2013)).



#### **WEC Simulation Tools**

- Several WEC simulation tools are based on multi-body solvers developed.
- Model kinematics/dynamics of WEC body and PTO, and control systems.
- WEC3 Code Comparison project: code-tocode comparison of four numerical tools:
  - InWave, WaveDyn, ProteusDS, WEC-Sim
- Participants had different approaches for taking into account viscous effects through corrective terms. It was observed that it lead to differences in numerical predictions that can be significant (Combourieu et al., 2015).
- The next phase of IEA OES Annex IV project will deliver code-to-experiment validation.

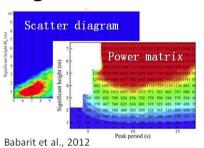


Floating three-body oscillating flap type device (F3OF): WEC code comparison device (Combourieu et al., 2015).

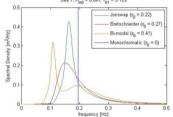


## Performance of WECs in Irregular Waves

- · Irregular wave tests are crucial for predicting performance of prototype
- Performance assessment requires resource characterisation and determining power matrix
  - performance matrix (Hs, Te/Tp) spectral distribution and directional spreading are also important
- Important to use site-specific hindcast data in wave tank tests at TRL > 3 but simplifications using polychromatic waves can be used at early TRLs
- Challenges for survivability tests: numerical models being developed by SNL/NREL to address this



Sea 1, H., = 0.6m, T<sub>ot</sub> = 5.12s



Effect of spectral distribution on resonant WEC (Clabby et al., 2012)

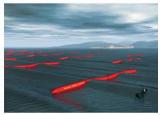


## **Modelling of WEC Arrays**

- To date, most large scale deployments have been single WECs, but its necessary to expand these to arrays or farms.
- · Requires a thorough understanding of WEC arrays:
  - o Interaction, performance (intra-array effects), and
  - Downstream effects (environmental effects, aka extra-array effects)
- Essential to predicting energy yield and cost of energy.
- Provide understanding of using WEC arrays for coastal defence.







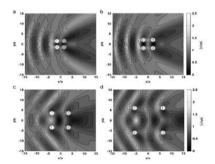


### **WEC Arrays – Numerical Modelling**

Folley, M., 2016, Ed., "Numerical Modelling of Wave Energy Converters: State-of-the-Art Techniques for Single Devices and Arrays", Academic Press.

#### Multiple DoF models

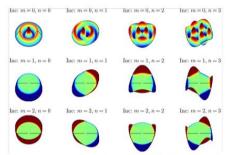
- Extends modelling of single WECs
- Freq.-domain models (BEM, FEM)
- Time-domain models (nonlinear)
- Limited CFD studies



FEM model of OWC array (Nader, 2012)

#### Semi-analytical models

- Point absorber method
- · Plane wave method
- · Multiple scattering method
- · Direct matrix method



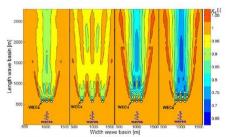
Wave pattern around WEC array (Folley, 2015)



## **WEC Arrays – Numerical Modelling**

## Phase-resolving wave propagation models

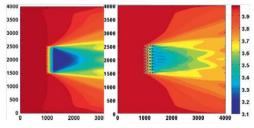
- Effect of WECs on environment
- MILDwave (mild slope equations)
- WECs modelled at sponge layers
- Can model large domains



Phase-resolved WEC wakes (Folley, 2015)

## Phase-averaging wave propagation models

- Spectral wave models
- WECs either supragrid or subgrid
- Require another model for WEC response



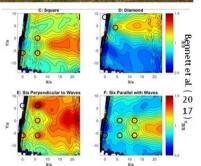
Supragrid and subgrid models (Folley, 2015)



## WEC Arrays - Physical Modelling

- Limited physical experiments of WEC arrays
  - ...due to cost, size of test facilities, and complexity
- Difficulties in measuring WEC kinematics/dynamics, and WEC array effects (near- and far-field)
- Model the radiation and diffraction forces separately -> sum to obtain qfactor (Nader et al., 2017; Bennett et al., 2017)
- Very few array floating WEC (with moorings) experiments
- Provides urgently needed experimental validation for numerical models







#### Terms of References – Current Turbines

- 1. Develop specific uncertainty analysis guidelines / example for horizontal axis turbines.
- 2. Report on developments in physical and numerical techniques for prediction of performance of current turbines, with particular emphasis on unsteady flows, off-axis conditions, and other phenomena which offer particular challenges to current devices.
- 3. Report on the progress made on the modelling of arrays.
- 4. Report on progress in testing at full-scale and moderate scale insea test sites.



http://tidalenergytoday.com/2017/09/13/orkney-isles-light-up-with-scotrenewables-tidal-power/



## SCOTRENEWABLES - Scales tested







- 1/40<sup>th</sup>
- 1/20<sup>th</sup>
- 1/16<sup>th</sup>
- 1/7<sup>th</sup>
- 1/5<sup>th</sup>



250kW prototype leading to 2MW full scale

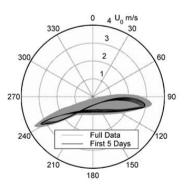


## Physical and numerical modelling challenges

- · Shear layer
- Turbulence
- Waves
- · Off axis flow
- · Motion of tethered device



Ifremer, Boulogne-sur-Mer



Portland Bill, English Channel, Blunden (2006)

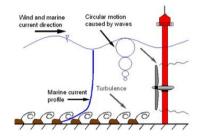


## Modelling Challenges – Terrain blockage and Scour

- Terrain blockage (proximity to bed-floor and free surface)
  - Optimal performance is dependent on proper vertical placement
  - o Performance decreases with proximity to bed-floor or free-surface
  - Bedform topology can adversely impact performance with amplified turbine-bedform interactions and downstream scour

#### Scour

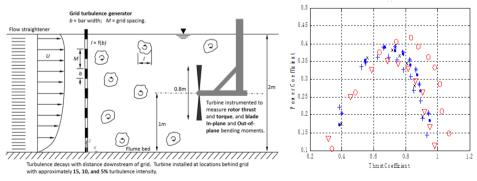
- Scour patterns could impact downstream turbine performance
- Turbine array energy extraction in a tidal bay can impact sediment transport and deposition in the bay





## **Example: Physical Modelling Turbulence**

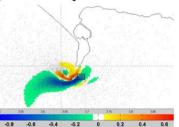
- Influence of grid generated turbulence in 0.8m/s circulating water channel, CWC Ifremer
- The turbine was instrumented to measure overall rotor thrust and torque, and flap-wise and edgewise blade root bending moments.



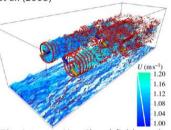
Blackmore, et al. (2015)

## **Numerical Modelling of Arrays**

- Solvers:
  - Shallow Water Equation Solvers
  - o RANS
  - o LES
- Turbine modeling
  - o Added drag / momentum sink
  - o Immersed body force
  - Actuator disc
  - o BEM Disk
  - Rotating actuator lines
  - o Full turbine modeling with rotation
- Types of simulation
  - Size of the array/farm
  - Array configuration
    - In-line
    - Side by side
    - Staggered



Shallow water – added drag Blunden et al. (2008)

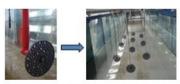


LES + Actuator Line Churchfield, et al. (2013)



## **Experimental Modelling of Arrays**

- · Environmental conditions
  - Matched Froude number results in low tank speeds
  - Bed roughness to simulate the velocity profile needs to be suitably scaled
- · Scaled turbine models
  - Small scale porous disks
  - Redesigned turbine to match thrust at correct rotational speed
- Support Structure
  - Normally mounted from above due to ease of measurements
    - not scaled
- · Measurements required
  - Device performance
  - Velocity and turbulence field
  - Head differences



Daley et al. (2013)



Stallard et al. (2013)



## **Modelling Arrays** - Key Findings

#### In-line

- Lower power production on downstream turbine
- Upstream turbine wakes persisted for > 6 turbine diameters (D<sub>T</sub>)

#### Staggered

• In small arrays (2 or 3 turbines) downstream staggering with lateral spacing of >1.5D show minimal impact on downstream turbine

#### Turbine wake flow development – Array impact

- Low ambient turbulence environment
  - Longitudinal spacing in a staggered array configuration has small impact on wake recovery
  - Lateral spacing of middle row turbines impacted wake position and recovery
- High ambient turbulence (~15%) reduces turbine downstream wake
- Counter-rotating consecutive rows indicated small benefit



## Moderate scale testing - Device concept testing

- · Towed by vessel/tug
- A floating pontoon pulled/pushed on a lake
- Mounted below a floating pontoon moored in a tidal site in a sheltered estuary
- Mounted in rivers near constrictions such as sluice gates



SCHOTTEL HYDRO GmbH



Tocardo Tidal Turbines

Jeffcoate et al. (2016)



### Large scale in-sea test sites

- EMEC Fall of Warness, Orkney Islands, Scotland
- FORCE, Minas Passage, Bay of Fundy, Nova Scotia, Canada
- Paimpol-Bréhat, Normandy, France
- Nagasaki Asia Marine Energy Centre in Japan
  - Aims to go online in 2018
- There are a few other sites being considered to become test centres these include:
  - Morlaris Demonstration zone
  - Zhoushan Islands China

Full list provided in Tables 6 and 7.



Alstom's 1MW turbine: Hatston Quay





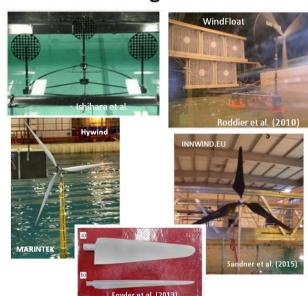
## Terms of Reference – Offshore Wind Turbines (OWT)

- Report and review on wind field modelling including Froude/ Reynolds scaling challenges for the turbine in cooperation with the Specialist Committee on Modelling of Environmental Conditions.
- Report on the impact of control strategies and other features on full-scale devices on global response to allow improved understanding of the impact of simplifications adopted in model tests.
- 3. Report on integrated tools for the simulation of floating wind turbines including platform, mooring, turbine and control system.
- 4. Report on developments in full-scale demonstrators of floating wind turbines.



## **Traditional Methods for Modelling Wind Turbines**

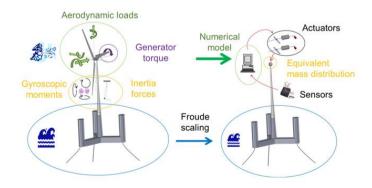
- Solid or perforated discs
- Geometric scaling
- · Performance scaling





## **New Methods for Modelling Wind Turbines**

Combine experiments with real-time simulations





## **New Methods for Modelling Wind Turbines**

#### Example: Innwind.EU

Rotor is replaced by a fan

- · No wind generation required
- · No scaling issue from rotor blades
- · Limited to thrust force only

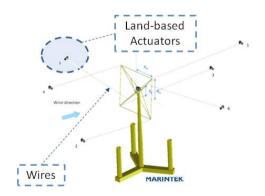


Azcona et al. (2014)



## **New Methods for Modelling Wind Turbines**

#### **Example: ReaTHMTM testing**



 $ReaTHM^{TM}\text{-} \textbf{Real-Time Hybrid Model testing}$ 



Sauder et al. (2016) Bachynski et al. (2016)



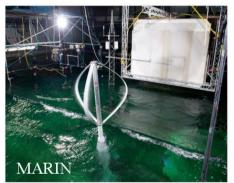
## Wind Field Modelling Challenges

- Testing the wind turbines requires high quality wind over large area
  - Development of dedicated facilities
- Geometric similarity of the model does not provide correct response to Froude-scaled wind field; performance-matched rotor design is preferred
  - Development of performance-matched blade design methods



## Wind Field Modelling Challenges

Examples of dedicated facilities (multiple fans, direction of rotation varying in checkerboard pattern, honeycombs, screens)



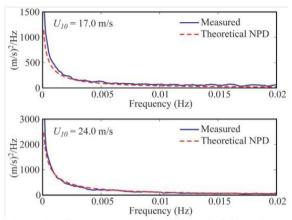




## Wind Field Modelling Challenges

Features of dedicated facilities:

- Uniform velocity field over large area
- Modelling the turbulence spectrum

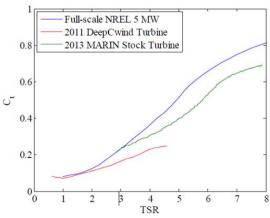


Comparison between measured and theoretical dynamic wind spectra (Goupee et al., 2012)



## Wind Field Modelling Challenges

Correct response to Froude-scaled wind field: performance-matched blade design



speed ratio curves for geosim model and performancematched model

Thrust coefficient vs. tip

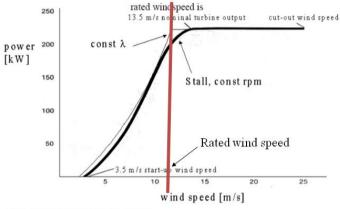
(Goupee et al., 2014)



## **Impact of Control Strategies on OWT Global Response**

Blade pitch control goals:

- · maximize power in below-rated wind
- · prevent overload in over-rated wind



Control type for OWTs – pitch-to-feather blade pitch control

(Van Kuik and Bierbooms, 2002)

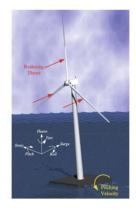


## **Impact of Control Strategies on OWT Global Response**

<u>Problem:</u> negative damping effect (how to minimize motion when preventing overloads)

#### **Development:**

- Optimization of control algorithms for collective blade pitch control
- Application of individual blade pitch control
- Application of other devices reducting the motion, e.g. liquid mass dampers





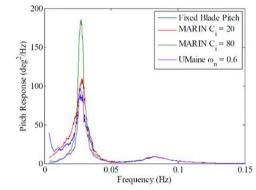


## **Impact of Control Strategies on OWT Global Response**

Direct modelling of blade pitch control system at model scale







Response spectra for fixed pitch and for different control strategies (Goupee et al. (2014))

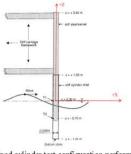


Alternative to direct modelling of wind field and blade pitch control system: hybrid testing

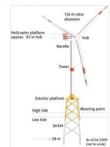








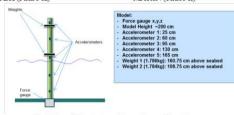


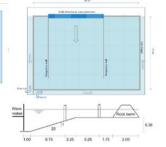


Fixed cylinder test configuration performed at MARINTEK (Phase Ia)

Instrumented OC5-DeepCwind model in MARIN (Phase II)

REpower 5M turbine with OWEC quattropod (Phase III)





Flexible cylinder test configuration performed at DHI (Phase Ib)

## ITTC WUXI 2017

#### Codes used in numerical simulations of Wind Turbines

Participant	Code	Aerodynamics	Wave Kinematics (Regular Waves)	Wave Kinematics (Integ. Waves)	Hydro Model (Res/fix)	Wave Elevation (Reg/hr)	Wave Sunface	Moonings	
Codes used in Phase II, OC5 Project of IEA Wind Task30 (2015-2016), Robertson, et al., 2017									
4Subsea	OrcaHex-FAST8	Aero Dyn - Beldoes/ Dynamic wake	2nd order stream function	Linear Airy	1st order FF+ME	Computed	īw	Dynamic	
CENER	FAST v6 + OPASS	AeroDyn-Beldoes/ Egril Inflow	Linear Airy	(JONSWAP)	1st order FF + 1st/2nd order damping	Computed	None	Dynamic	
CENTEC	FAST8	Aero Dyn 15 Steady	2nd Order Stokes	Linear Airy (JONSWAF)	2nd Order PF	Computed	None	Dynamic	
DNV GL/ DNV GL DM	Bladel 4.7	Glaueri momentum/ Beldoes/Oye Dynamic wake	Linear Airy	Linear Airy	1st order FF + 1" order damping	Comp /Meas.	None	Quasi-static /Dynamic	
DTU	HAWC2	BEM/Beldoes/Dynamic Wake	Linear Airy	Linear Airy (JONSWAF)	ME	Computed	IWW		
ECN-MARIN	aNySIMPHATAS v10	BEM + Dynamic stall	Linear Airy	Linear Airy	2™ Order PF	Comp /Meas.	None	Dynamic	
IFP_PRI	DesplinesWind V5R2	BEM + Dynamic stall	Airy + Wheeler stretching	Airy + Wheeler stretching	1 - order FF + ME	Computed	IW	Dynamic	
NREL	FAST v8	AeroDyn14-Beldoes /Dynamic wake	2" Order Airy/ 1" Order Airy	Linear Airy	2= Order FF/ 2= Order FF (diff only)	1" Order Filter/ No Filtering	None	Dynamic	
POLIMI	FAST v8 15	DYNIN + BEDD OES	Linear Airy	Linear Airy	2 <sup>nd</sup> Order FF + SS + ME/PF	Computed	None	Dynamic	
Siemens PLM	Samcef Wind Turbines	BEM + Dynamic Stall	Linear Airy	(JONSWAI)	ME	Computed	rww	Dynamic, hydro, SF contact	
Tecnalia F70	FAST7+OrcaHex 9.7h	Aero Dyn 13 - Beldoes / Dynamic wake	Linear Airy	Linear Airy (JONSWAP)	FF + 1" order damping	Computed	rwv	Dynamic	
Tecnalia F8	FAST v8 12	Aerodyn14- Beldoes/ Dynamic wake	Linear Airy	(JONSWAP)	PF+ME	Computed	No	Dynamic	
ис-інс	Sesam	BEM + Dynamic Stall	Linear Airy	Linear Airy (JONSWAP)	PF+ME+MD	Computed/Measured	IW	Dynamic	
ис-те	IH-WAVE2WIRE	BEM + Dynamic Stall	Linear Airy	Linear Airy (JONSWAF)	PF+MD	Computed/Measured	IW	Dynamic	
vov	UOU+FAST8	AeroDyn14	Linear Airy	Linear Airy (JONSWAP)	PF+ME	Computed	None	Dynamic (MeerDyn)	
UTokyo	NK-UTWind(AeroDyn)		Linear Airy	Linear Airy	ME	Computed	IWW		
WavEC_FAST	FAST8	AeroDyn - Beldoes/Dynamic wake	Linear Airy	Linear Airy	1st Order FF	Measurel(no filtering)	None	Quasi-static	
WavEC_FF2W	FF2W	Table look-up for fluust and power	Linear Airy	Linear Airy	1st Order PF	Measured(no filtering)	None	Quasi-static	
			Other	codes					
Baayen & Heinz Gmb H	Vortexje	Unsteady 3D panel method						No	
WMC	FOCUS6	BEM or Vortex wake model						No	
Tech. U. of Berlin	Qhlade	BEM						No	
Chonbuk National U.	ÜBEM	Unsteady BEM, Skewed yaw model						No	
DTU	Hex5	BEM						No	
SINTEF Ocean (finar. MARINTEK)	SIMA	Unsteady BEM + Dynamic stall	Linear Airy 2 <sup>-1</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> order Stokes	Linear Airy and 2" order	1" and 2" order FF + ME	Computed + measured	IWW/ IWV	Quasi Static / Dynamic	

<sup>\*</sup> BEM : Blade Element Momentum / DYNIN : Generalized Dynamic Wake / PF : Potential Flow / ME or MD : Morison equation(Damping)
\* IW : Instantaneous Water level / IWW : Instantaneous / IWW : IWW



## **Recent Developments in Full-Scale Demonstrators**

- Number of demonstrators deployed or planned has steadily increased the past few years
- A trend towards larger turbines (5 to 7MW)
- So far only spar and semi substructures; however, barge and TLP substructures are under construction
- First floating pilot park deployed 2017 (Hywind Scotland)
- · More floating parks under planning







## **Recent Developments in Full-Scale Demonstrators**













## **Closing Comments/Recommendations**

Necessary to have feedback from full/moderate scale tests and check how these can be used for validating and informing model scale tests.

#### **Wave Energy Converters:**

- Modelling of PTO systems both physically and numerically is challenging due to the difficulty in accounting for coupling between PTO systems and loads, the influence of scaling effects.
- Difficult in modelling array interactions even at moderate scales in test tanks.

#### **Current Turbines:**

- Significant limitations in replicating environmental conditions in test facilities.
- Full-scale environment conditions at the turbine site → difficult to simulate realistic turbulence and vibration levels at model scale in test facilities.
- Interactions between current turbines within small and large scale arrays.

#### Offshore Wind Turbines:

- Continue model testing methodology with respect to Froude/Reynolds scaling issues and incorporating the control system strategies.
- A guideline for uncertainty analysis for model testing of offshore wind turbines.



## Thanks for your attention!

We will be happy to discuss any questions...



#### **Recommendations For Future Work: WECs**

- Continue to monitor developments in PTO modelling both for physical and numerical prediction of power capture.
- Review challenges associated with numerical prediction of performance of WECs in irregular wave spectra.
- Review and report on integrated WEC simulation tools based on multibody solvers which are in development, such as WaveDyn (GL-GH), WECsim (NREL), InWave (Innosea).
- Review and report on the progress made on the modelling of arrays.
- Consider developing a "round-robin" test campaign for a simple WEC device (e.g. oscillating water column) in order to explore facility bias issues (or identify and build on an existing programme).
- Develop guidelines for physical modelling of WEC arrays elaborating on uncertainty analysis required for WEC arrays.
- Develop guidelines for numerical modelling of WECs.



## Recommendations For Future Work: Current Turbines

- Continue to monitor development in physical and numerical techniques for prediction of performance of current turbines, with particular emphasis on unsteady flows, off-axis conditions, and other phenomena which offer particular challenges to current devices.
- Review and report on progress in testing at full-scale and moderate scale in-sea test sites. Develop cooperation with medium/large test centres.
- Review and report on the progress made on the modelling of arrays elaborating on uncertainty analysis specific for device arrays.
- Review and report on limitations in replicating environmental conditions in test facilities.



## Recommendations For Future Work: Offshore Wind Turbines

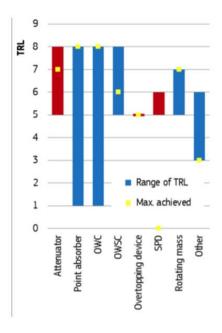
- Monitor and report on recent research related to model tests of bottomfixed offshore wind turbines including modelling the influence of structure stiffness and soil stiffness.
- Report on other existing regulations related to model tests of FOWT (e.g. IEC, classification societies, DoE). Interact with these bodies to get the guidelines aligned with each other.
- Collect the feedback from full/moderate scale tests and check how these can be used for validating model scale tests.
- Continue monitoring the development in model testing methodology with respect to Froude/Reynolds scaling issues and incorporating the control system strategies.
- Consider the possibility of elaborating a separate guideline for uncertainty analysis for model testing of offshore wind turbines.

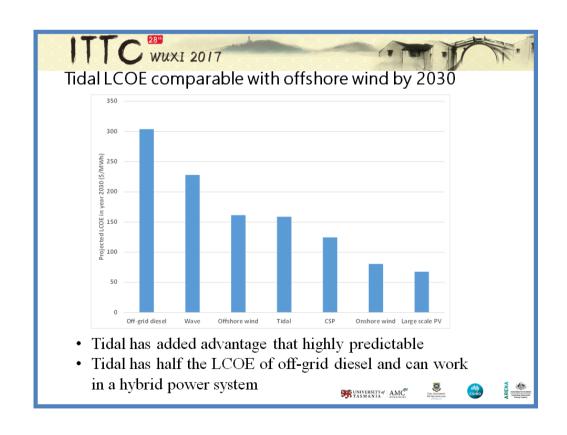


#### **Proposed Tests For Round-Robin Campaign**

Test	Objective	Measurement technique and reporting
Motion response	Determine the response amplitude operators (RAOs) of relevant performance indicators (e.g. kinematic and dynamics)	and full system)
Absorbed power	Determine the WEC absorbed power	<ul> <li>Based on the measurements of kinematics and dynamics (e.g. velocity/force, flow/pressure)</li> <li>Reported as capture width for regular waves</li> <li>Power matrix for irregular waves</li> </ul>
Wave tank characterisation	Characterisation of the wave field at the location of the device	<ul> <li>Characterisation carried out following either three methodologies:</li> <li>Calibration of incident waves without WEC</li> <li>From suitable wave specifications</li> <li>Measuring wave field during tests, separating into incident, reflected and radiated components in post-processing</li> <li>Performance indicators to report for regular waves: height and period</li> <li>Performance indicators to report for irregular waves: significant wave height, zero up-crossing period, energy period, peak period, repeat time, and spectral shape.</li> </ul>

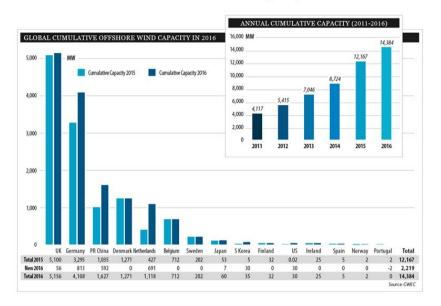






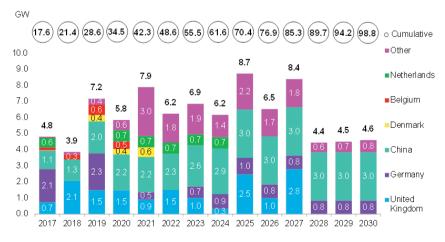


#### Offshore Wind Turbine Capacity





#### - Global offshore wind forecast



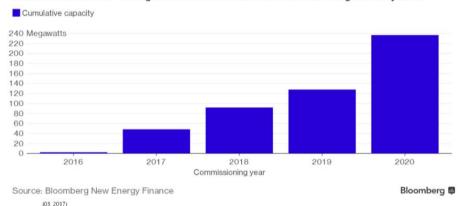
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#### **Vision of Floating Offshore Wind Turbines**

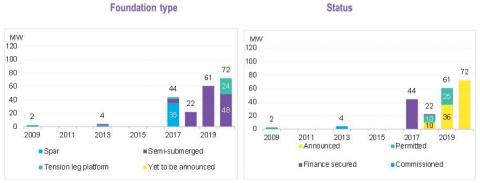
#### **Floating Pipeline**

Global installations of floating offshore wind farms could reach 237 megawatts by 2020





#### Vision of Floating Offshore Wind Turbines



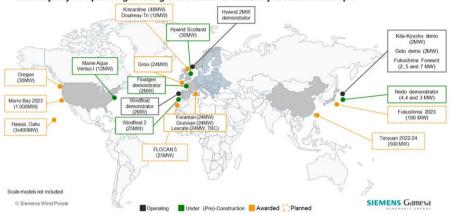
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- Development of full scale demonstrators for floating offshore wind turbines

Current market situation

The majority of operating floating wind farms is currently located in Europe



## ITTC WUXI 2017

## Negative damping issue

> the rigid-body platform-pitch mode as a single DOF

$$\left(I_{\textit{Mass}} + A_{\textit{Radiation}}\right) \dot{\xi} + \left(B_{\textit{Radiation}} + B_{\textit{Viscous}}\right) \dot{\xi} + \left(C_{\textit{Hydrostatic}} + C_{\textit{Lines}}\right) \xi = L_{\textit{HH}} T$$

> For small pitch angles, translational displacement of hub, x, is linearly related to the platform-pitch angle

$$x = L_{HH} \xi$$

> Considering variations in rotor thrust only with hub speed, a first-order Taylor series expansion

$$T = T_0 - \frac{\partial T}{\partial V} \dot{x}$$

> the equation of the platform-pitch mode stated in terms of the translational motion of the hub

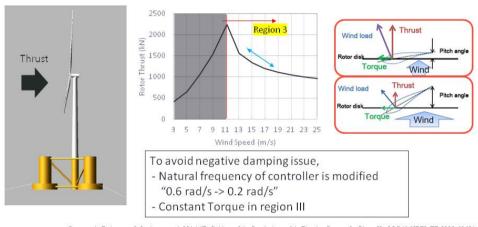
$$\underbrace{\left(\frac{I_{Mass} + A_{Radiation}}{L_{HH}^{2}}\right)}_{M_{*}} \ddot{x} + \underbrace{\left(\frac{B_{Radiation} + B_{Viscous}}{L_{HH}^{2}} + \frac{\ddot{\partial}T}{\partial V}\right)}_{C_{*}} \dot{x} + \underbrace{\left(\frac{C_{Hydrostatic} + C_{Lines}}{L_{HH}^{2}}\right)}_{K_{*}} x = T_{0}$$



## Negative damping issue

In Region 3,

- 1. tilt downwind -> relative wind speed  $\downarrow$  -> blade pitch  $\downarrow$  -> thrust  $\uparrow$  -> tilt more
- 2. tilt upwind -> relative wind speed  $\uparrow$  -> blade pitch  $\uparrow$  -> thrust  $\downarrow$  -> tilt more



Source: A. Robertson, J. Jonkman et al, 2014, "Definition of the Semisubmersible Floating System for Phase II of OC4", NREL/TP-5000-60601

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**Comments/Question(s):** 

In addition to the hydrodynamics, the structural performance is also important. There has been several reported field and laboratory tests of marine current turbines that suffered from structural failure to the blades. The spatial variation in the inflow and the high density of water make the dynamic blade load variation much more significant than wind turbines. Unsteady flow induced vibration can also significantly affect the dynamic loads, power variations, stability and feature response of many marine renewable energy harvest devices, includes marine current turbines. Hence, it is important to consider the hydroelastic response and structural performance of marine renewable energy devices, and properly scale the flow, structure and material in model-scale response.

#### **Response by Committee:**

Verbal responses by Committee at conference, but written response not available after conference.