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NORWEGIAN RESEARCH CENTRE FOR HYDROPOWER TECHNOLOGY

Hydropower Summit

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Future markets?

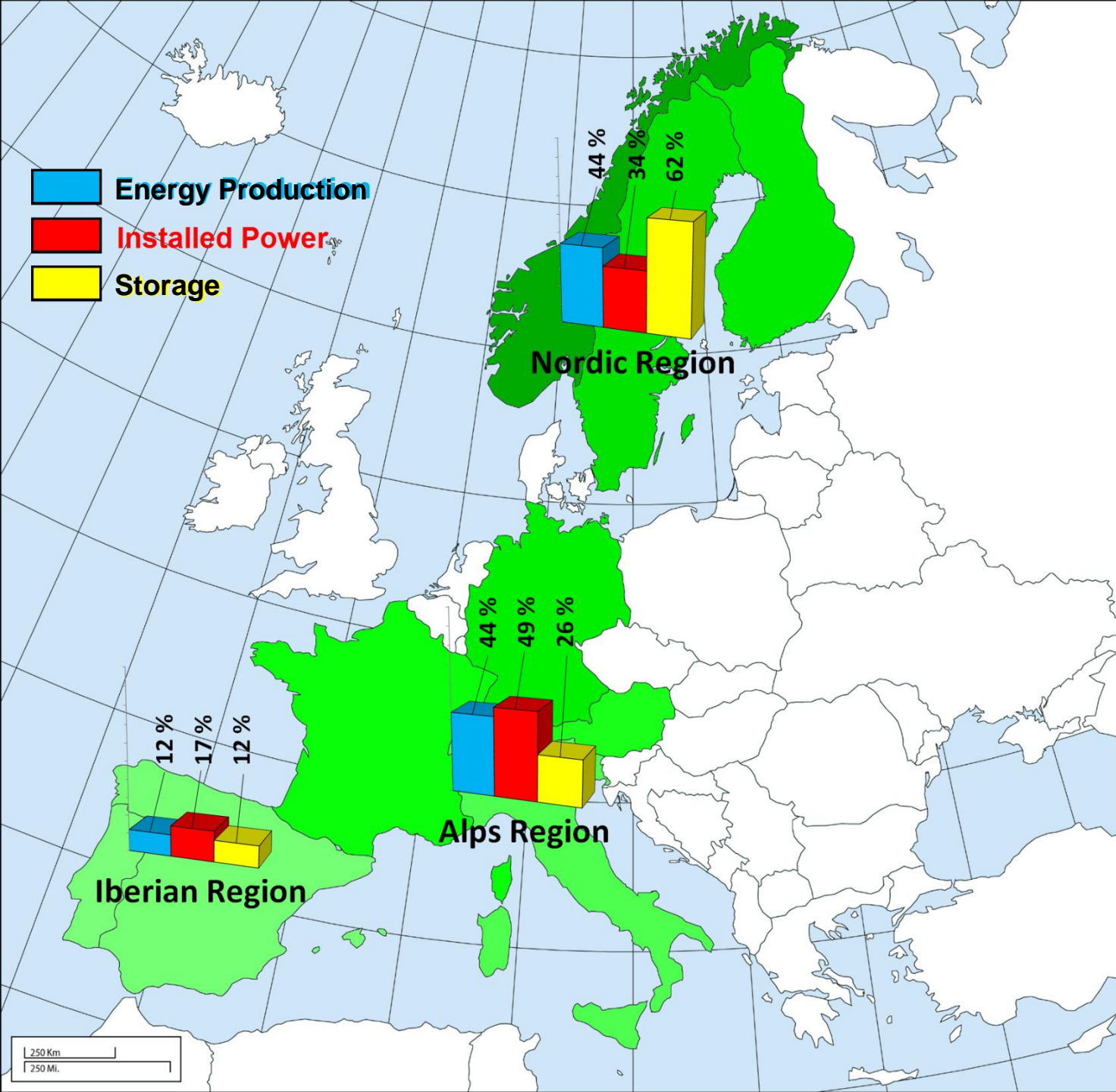
STORAGE

**RENEWABLES
DIGITALIZATION**

UPGRAING

MAINTENANCE

FLEXIBILITY



Largest regions of hydropower production in Europe

Region	Country	Energy [TWh]	Storage [TWh]	Power [GW]
Nordic	Norway	137	87	31
	Sweden	64	29	16
	Finland	13	3	3
Alps	Germany	20	2	5
	France	68	13	25
	Austria	30	9	6
	Switzerland	39	18	14
	Italy	58	9	22
Iberian	Spain	43	20	20
	Portugal	15	4	6

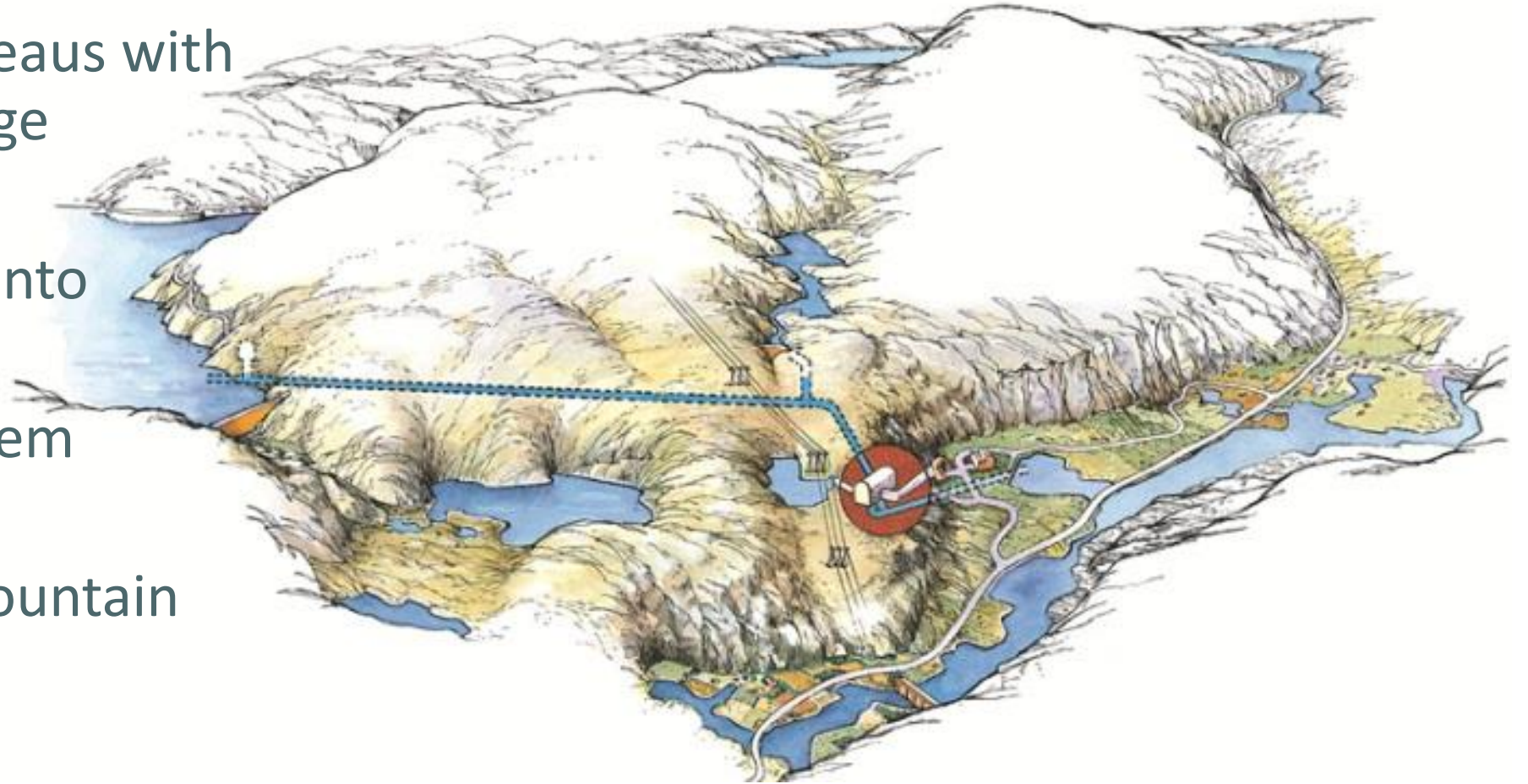


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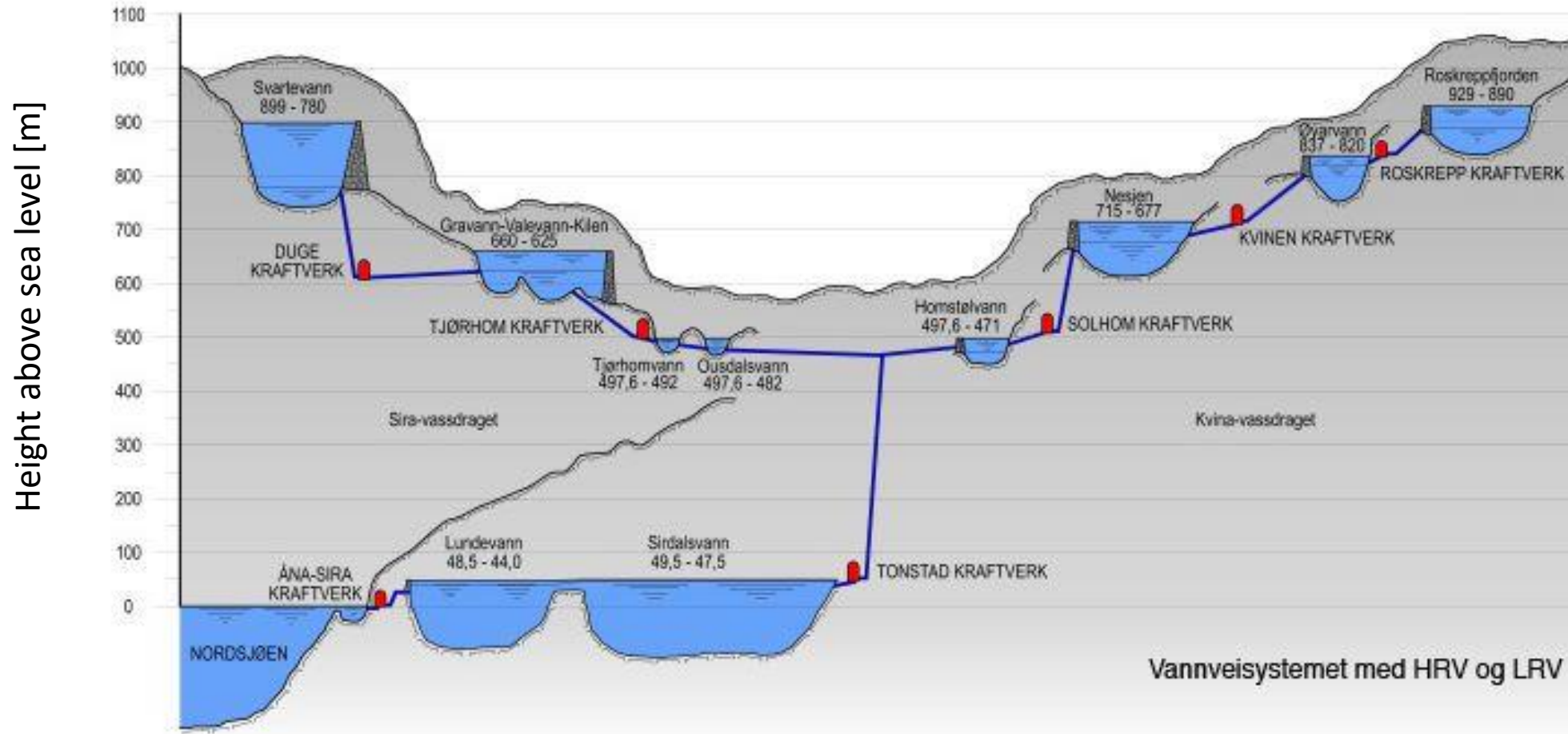
Hydro Power Plant

- Mountain plateaus with seasonal storage capacity
- Fjords cutting into the plateaus
- High head system
- Power stations build inside mountain



Hydropower system in Norway

Sira-Kvina



Hydropower's role in the energy system

- Power
 - Energy storage (seasonal, week)
 - High ramping rates
 - Stability of frequency and voltage
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- The hydropower plants need to develop more flexibility
 - The flexibility and stability will be the future needs in most parts of the world

New Research Challenges

Upgrade and expansion



From energy to capacity and frequency? Pump storage and new demands?

Market design



Competition from new technologies and new demands. How to compete and optimize for new markets and energy systems?

Revision of licences



430 hydropower licenses to be revised before 2020. Revisions estimated to cause an annual loss of 2-4 TWh production

Water Frame Directive



Presently unclear how Norway will balance hydropower production against EU environmental targets

1. HYDROPOWER STRUCTURES



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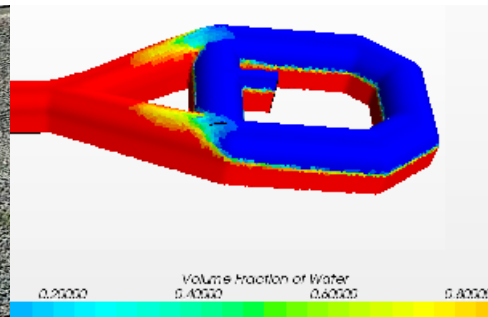


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2. TURBINE AND GENERATOR



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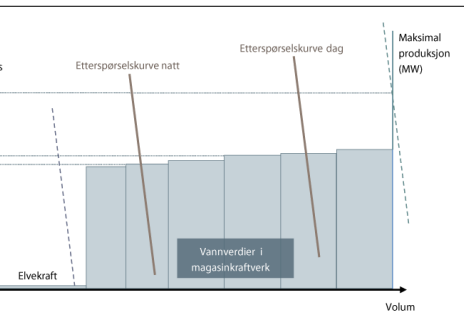
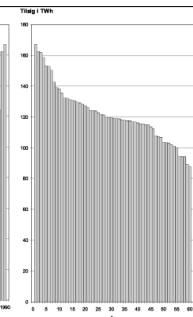
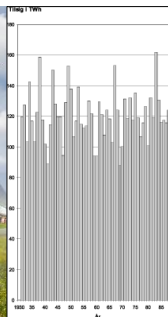
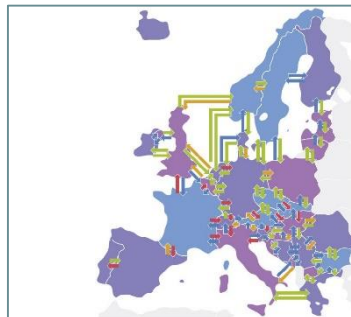
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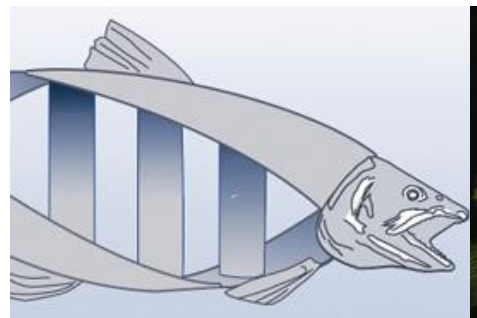
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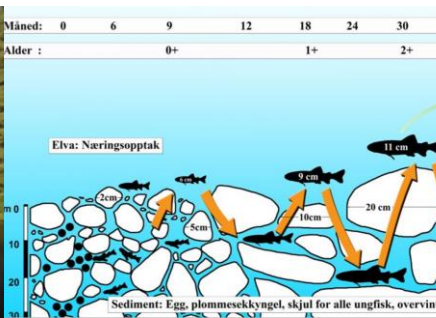
3. MARKET & SERVICES



4. ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN



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2. TURBINE AND GENERATOR



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2.1 Variable speed, turbine and generator

Olve Mo, SINTEF Energi

2.2 Turbine fatigue – waterway interaction

Torbjørn Nielsen, NTNU

2.3 Pump turbines (Booster pump)

Pål-Tore Storli, NTNU

2.4 Turbine and generator lifetime

Thomas Welte, SINTEF Energi

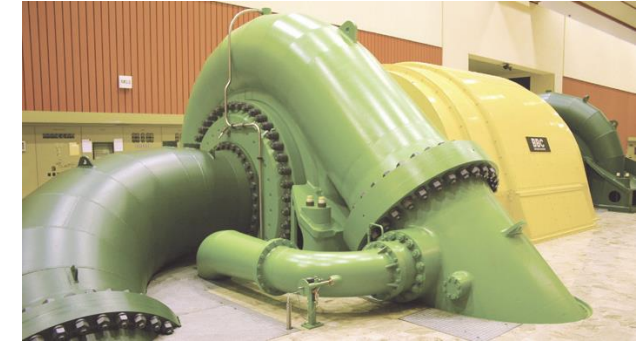
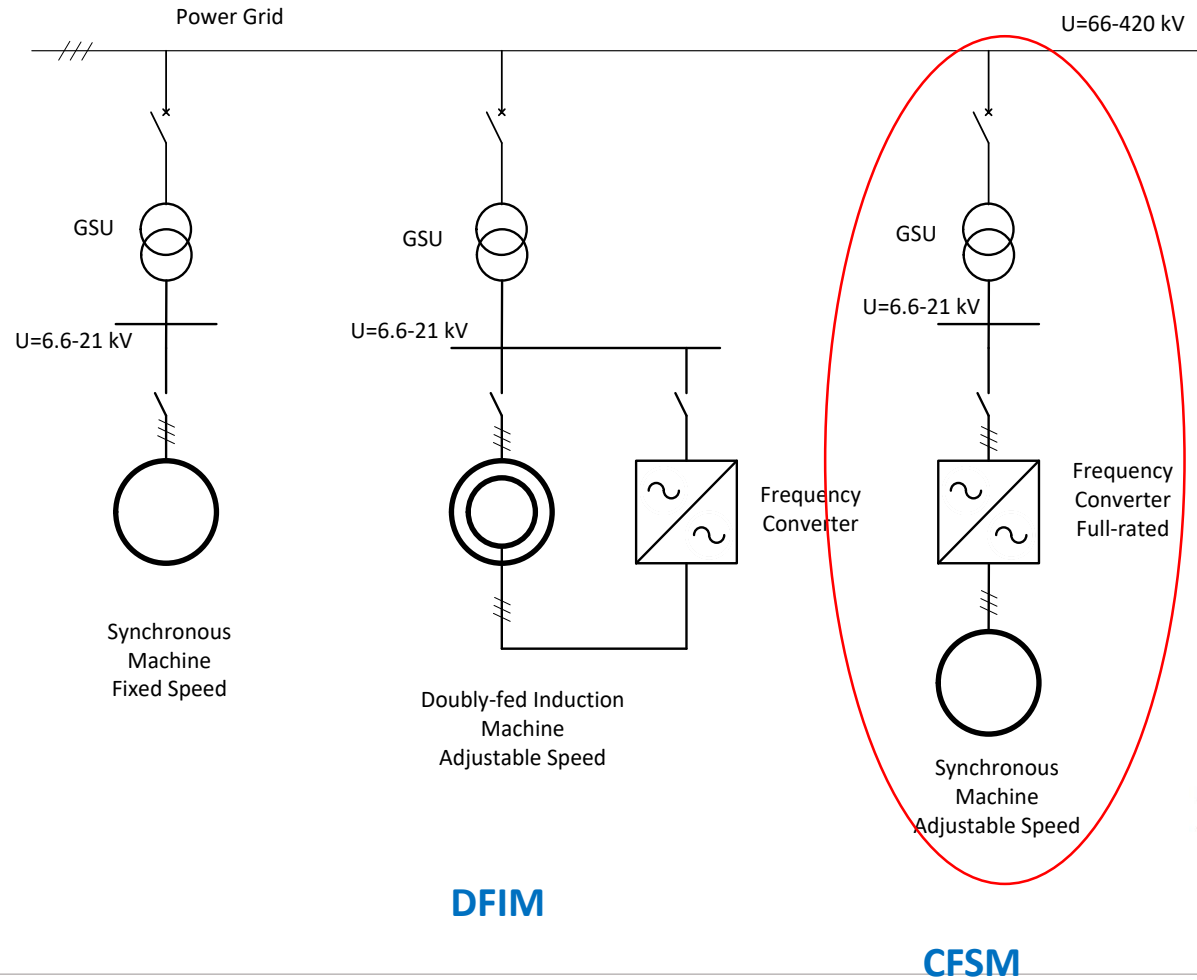
2.5 Flexible hydropower unit

Kjetil Uhlen, NTNU

2.6 New design of guide vanes

Pål-Tore Storli, NTNU

2.1 Variable Speed Operation



Silicon Carbide Power Transistors

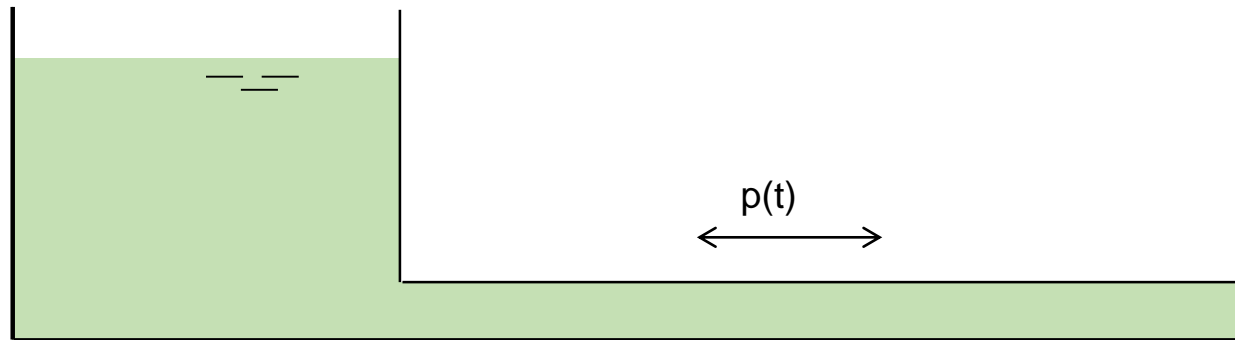
A New Era in Power Electronics Is Initiated

JACEK RĄBKOWSKI,
DIMOSTHENIS PEFTITSIS,
and HANS-PETER NEE

During recent years, silicon carbide (SiC) power electronics has gone from being a promising future technology to being a potent alternative to state-of-the-art silicon (Si) technology in high-efficiency, high-frequency, and high-temperature applications. The reasons for this are

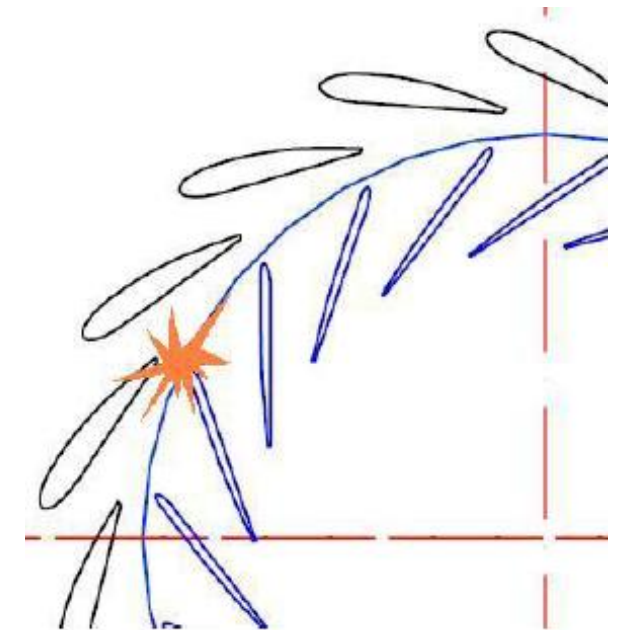
2.2 Water-way interaction – pressure pulses and fatigue

- Develop a numerical model combining full 3D transient model of the turbine with 1D model of the complete conduit system.
- Enhance the understanding of the propagation of the pressure fluctuations caused by the turbine dependent on the conduit system geometry.



1D - simulations

Fast

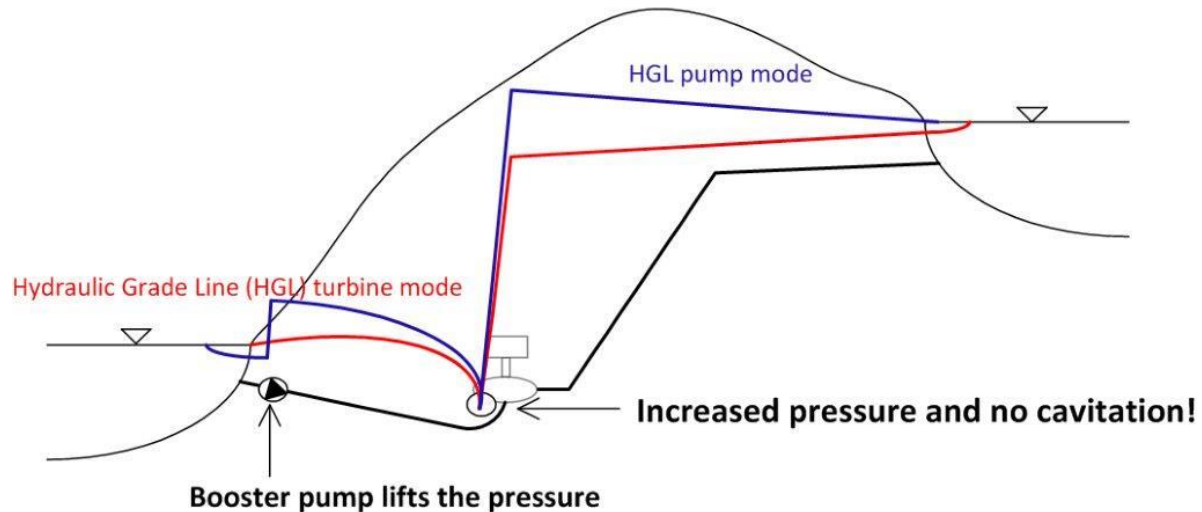


3D - simulations

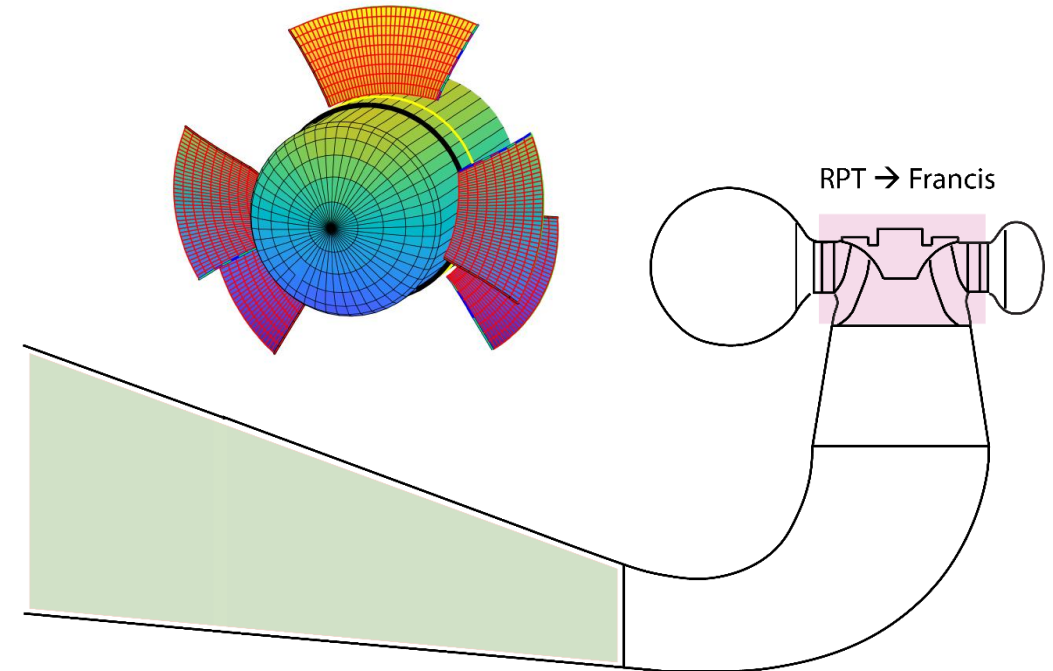
Slow and accurate

Power plant to pumped storage – «Booster Pump»

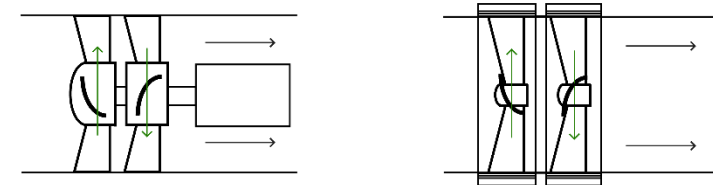
Existing Power plant with booster pump



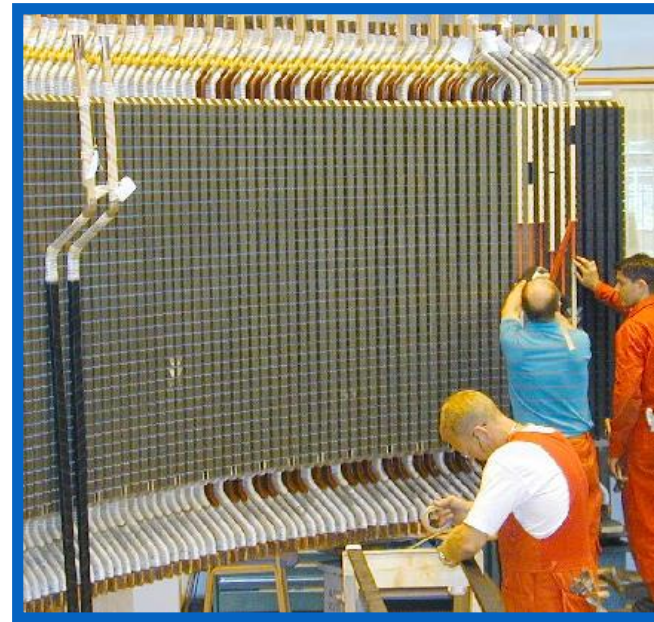
- To low pressure in draft tube in pump mode
- Low-pressure booster pump
- Design of turbine and generator/motor



Kontra-roterende aksialpumpe i sugerør:



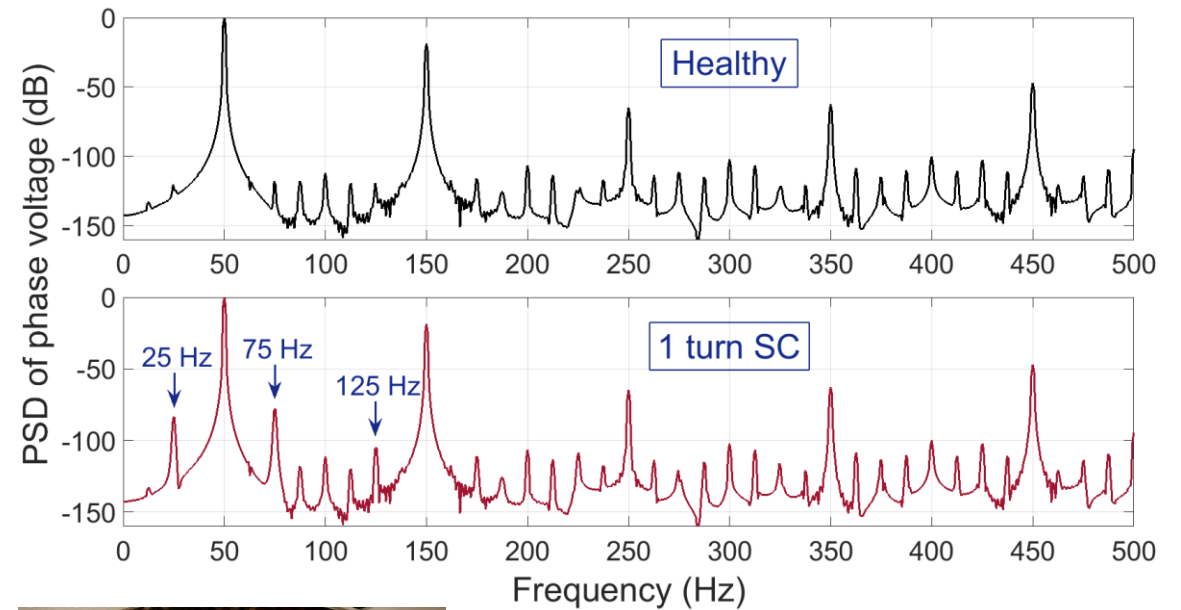
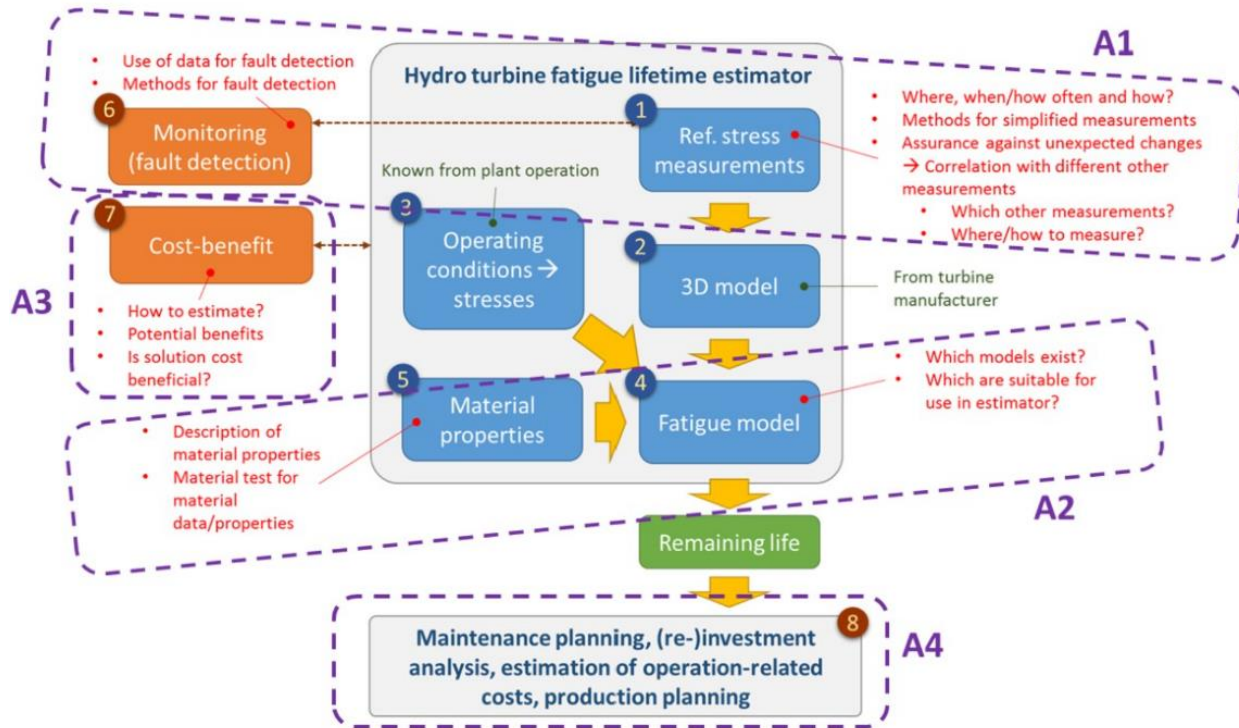
Lifetime, ageing and condition monitoring



- Lifetime models and estimation (Francis, Pelton)
- Condition assessment of spare windings
- Fault simulation – signature from known faults
- Electromagnetic fault detection

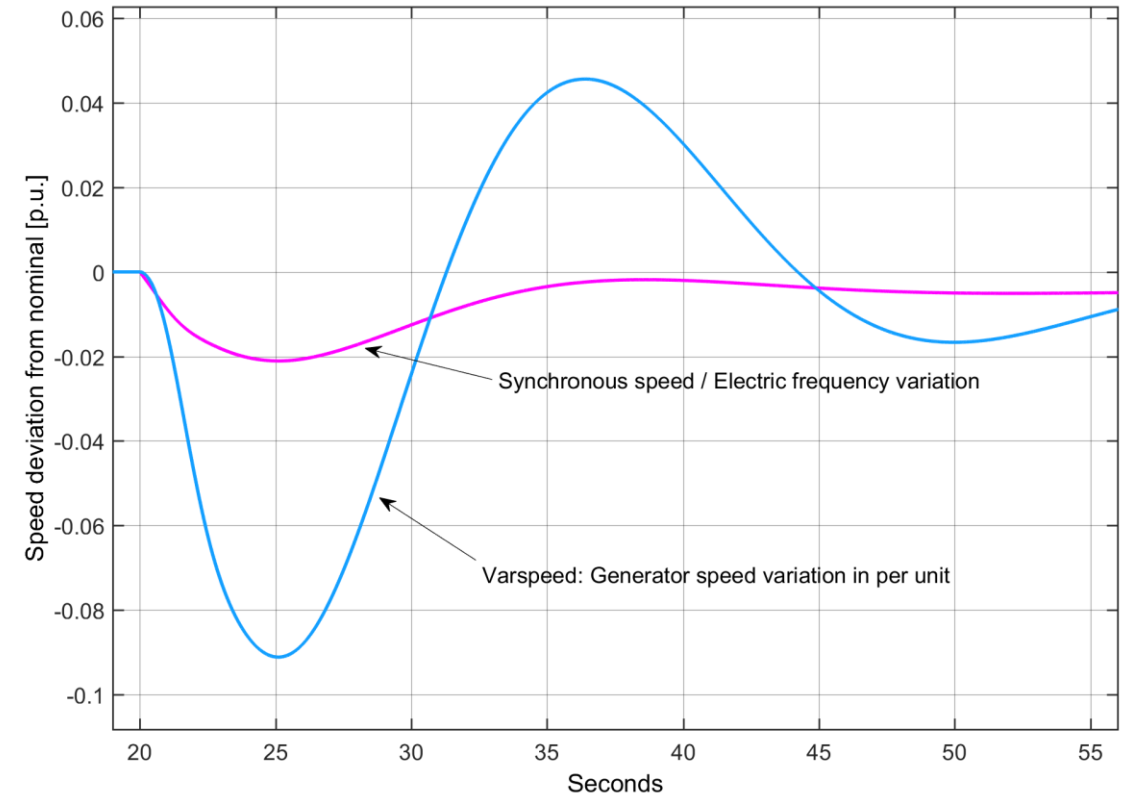
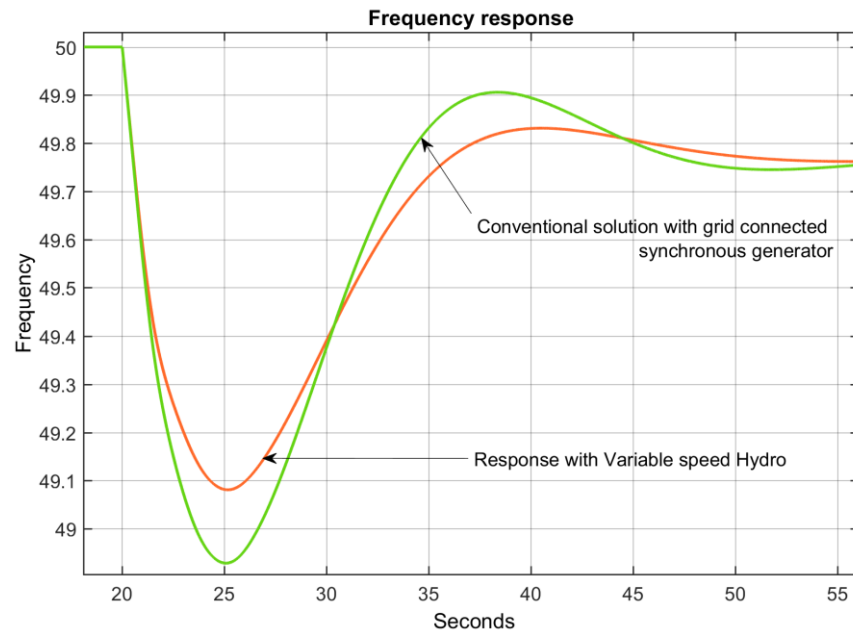
Lifetime model for turbines

Fault detection - windings



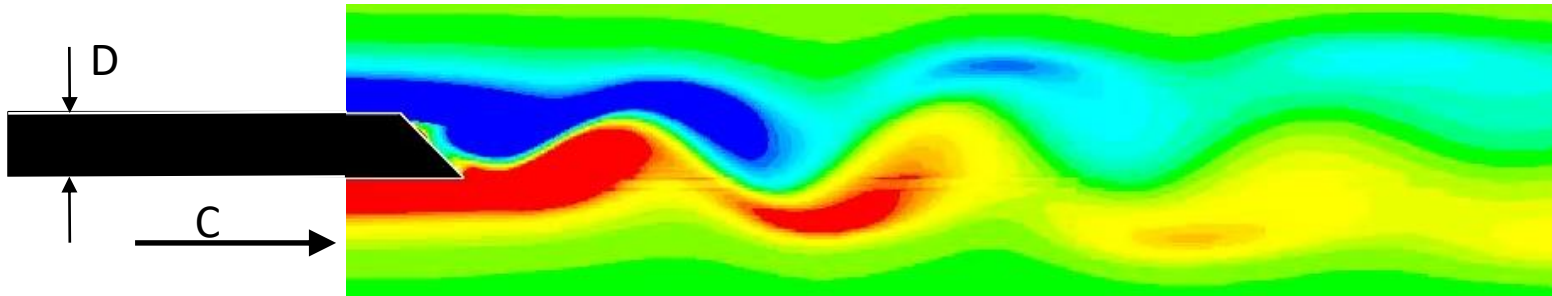
- Pre-study completed
- Further implementation in new project with Statkraft

Variable speed – grid interaction and support



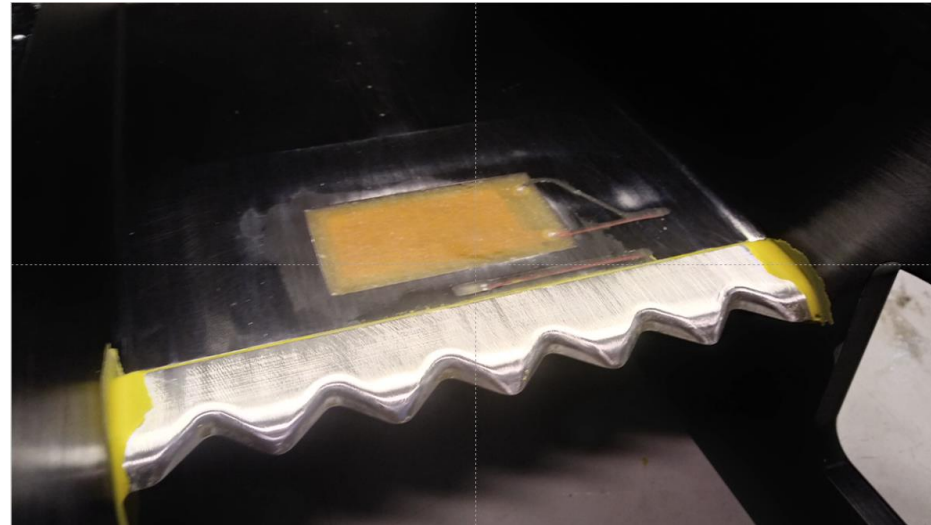
- Challenges and opportunities in the power grid
 - “Peak load increased compared to short-circuit power”
 - Primary control of voltage and frequency
 - Improved PSS
 - Synthetic Inertia
- Optimal power flow control

2.6 Reduced dynamic loading – flow manipulations



- Break down the (relatively) regular TE vortex shedding pattern by introducing spanwise variations – Serrations
- Ida patent filed
- Laboratory test set-up
- Different serration design tested

Test samples





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