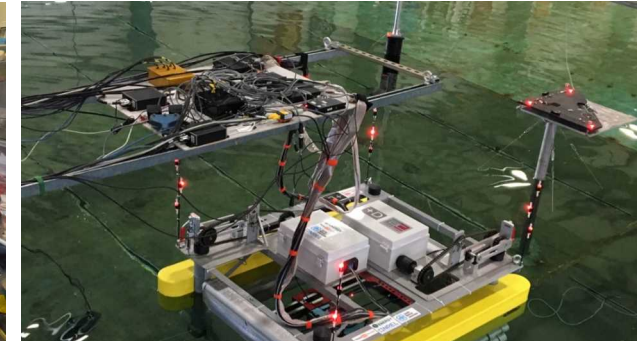
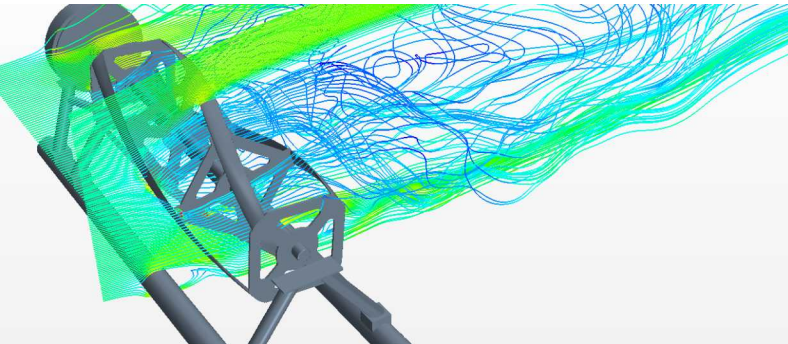


Exceptional service in the national interest



Sandia Water Power

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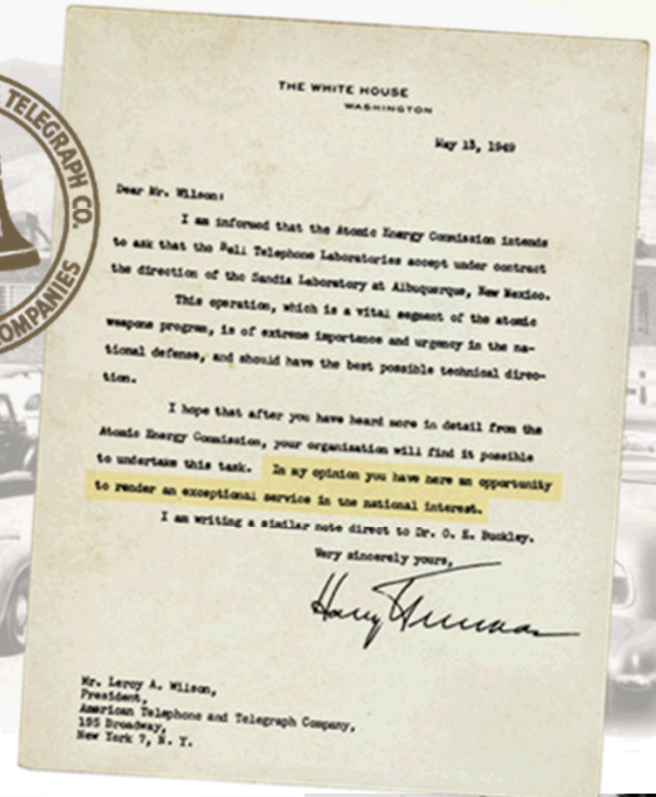
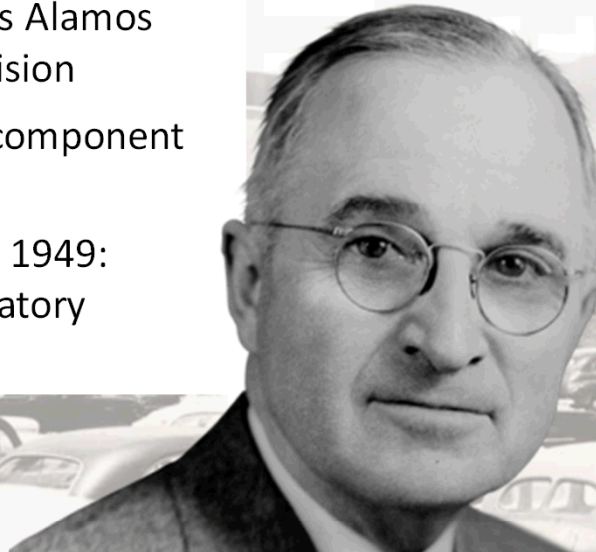
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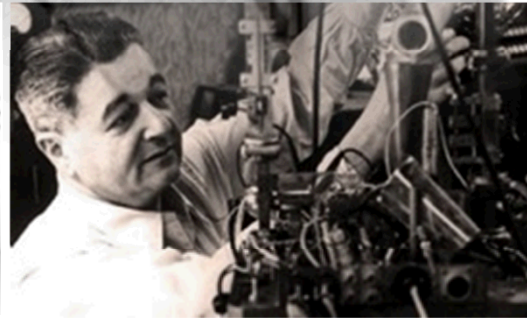
Sandia's History

Exceptional service in the national interest

- July 1945: Los Alamos creates Z Division
- Nonnuclear component engineering
- November 1, 1949: Sandia Laboratory established



to undertake this task. In my opinion you have here an opportunity to render an exceptional service in the national interest.



Sandia Sites

Albuquerque, New Mexico



Livermore, California



Kauai, Hawaii



*Waste Isolation Pilot Plant,
Carlsbad, New Mexico*



*Pantex Plant,
Amarillo, Texas*



*Tonopah,
Nevada*

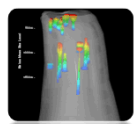


History of Sandia Energy Programs



Energy crisis of the 1970s spawned the beginning of significant energy work

Strategic Petroleum Reserve -geologically characterizing salt domes to host oil storage caverns



DOE's Tech Transfer Initiative was established by Congress in 1991



Energy Policy Act of 2005

CRF & Cummins partner on their newest diesel engine



Joint BioEnergy Institute



Water Power Program

Sandia was born as a nuclear weapons engineering laboratory with deep science and engineering competencies



Our core NW competencies enabled us to take on additional large national security challenges



Vertical-axis Wind Turbine

NRC cask certification studies & core melt studies



Solar Tower opens



Combustion Research Facility (CRF) opens to researchers



Power grid reliability study



SunCatcher™ partnership with Stirling Energy Systems

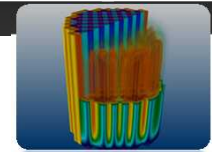


Distributed Energy Technology Laboratory (DETL) to integrate emerging energy technologies into new and existing electricity infrastructures



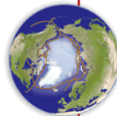
Sunshine to Petrol Pilot Test

Large-scale pool fire tests of liquefied natural gas (LNG) on water



Consortium for Advanced Simulation of Light Water Reactors (CASL)

Climate study uncertainties to economies



Combustion Research Computation and Visualization (CRCV) opens

- Unofficial start: 2008 support to Verdant Power
- New U.S. DOE water power program in 2009
- Leveraged existing Sandia capabilities

Land-Based Wind



Wind/Water Tech.

- Technology Development Paradigm
- Turbine Hub and Blade Design (Tidal/Current)
- Field Testing/Data Acquisition
- Aero/Hydro-acoustics

Wind Technologies

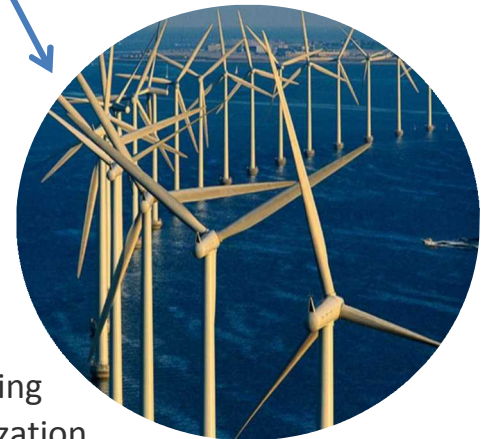
- Inflow Modeling
- Tower Designs
- Blade Designs
- Aero-elastic Modeling

Core Competencies

- Materials/Coatings
- Sensors
- Manufacturing
- Reliability
- System Integration
- Lab/Field Testing

Marine Technologies

- Hydrodynamics
- Anchoring/Mooring
- Sediment Transport
- Water Use Optimization
- Environmental Analysis
- Materials & Coatings



Water Power MHK

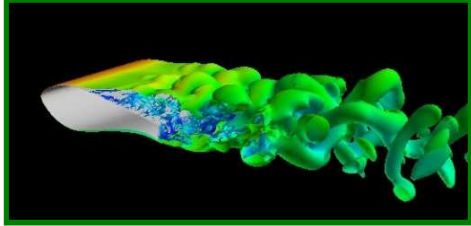
Offshore Wind

MARINE HYDRO-KINETICS

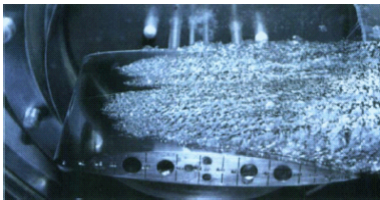
Industry and Public support

SNL MHK Research Focus Areas

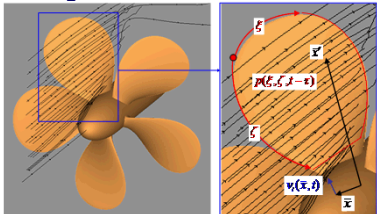
Hydrofoil Design/Analysis



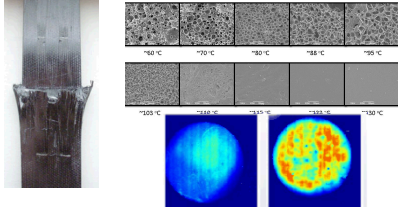
Cavitation



Hydro-Acoustics



Materials & Coatings

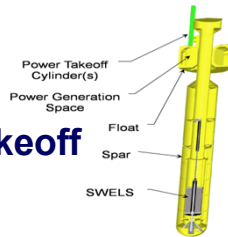


Performance Modeling

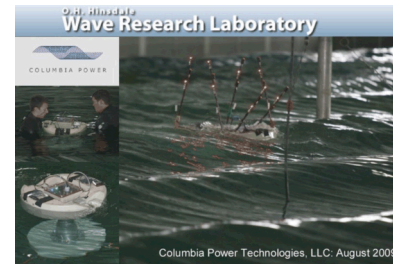


Rotor Design & Testing

Power Takeoff Testing



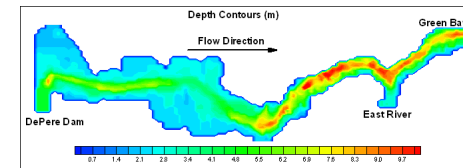
Columbia Power 1/15th Scale Test (OSU)



Water Tunnel (PSU/ARL)



Coupled Device Array and Environmental Analysis



Technology Development Cycle

Components

Sub-systems

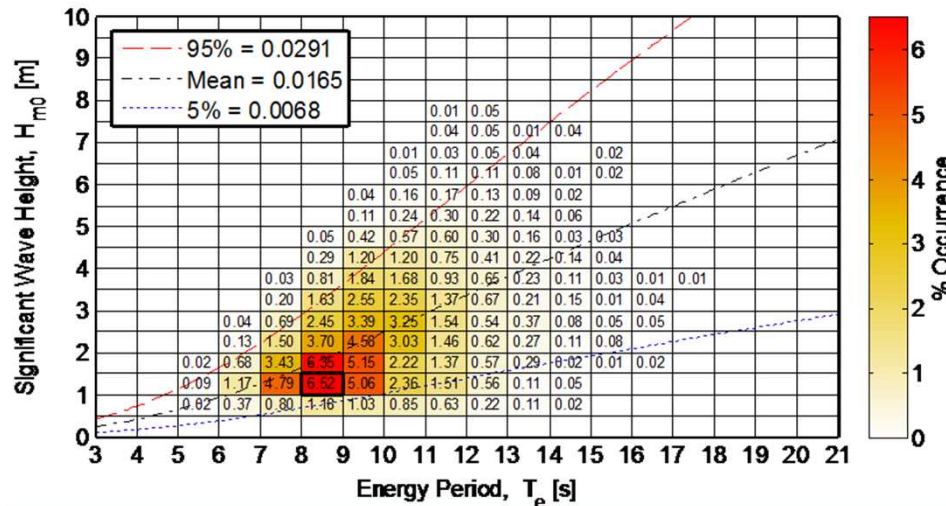
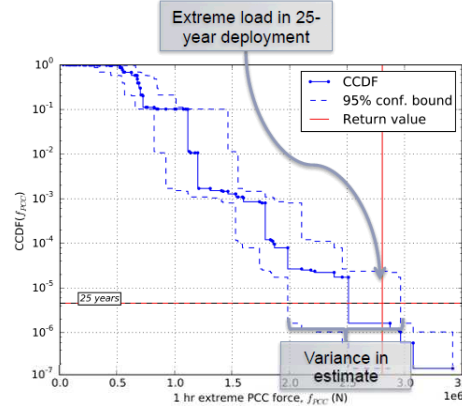
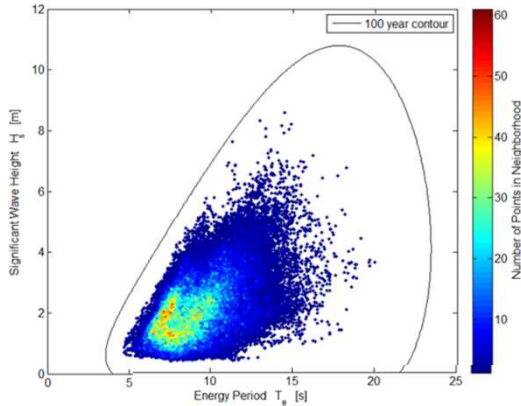
System Testing

Deployment

SNL EFDC

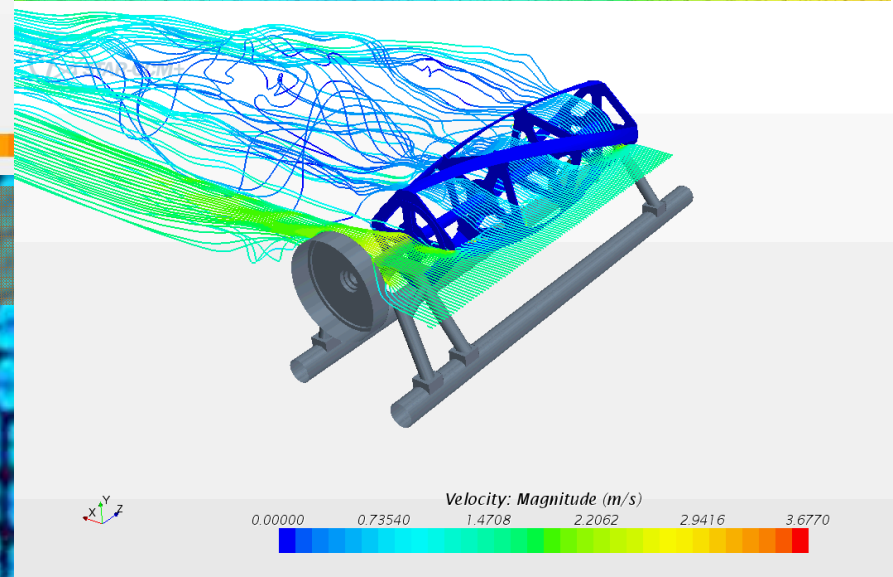
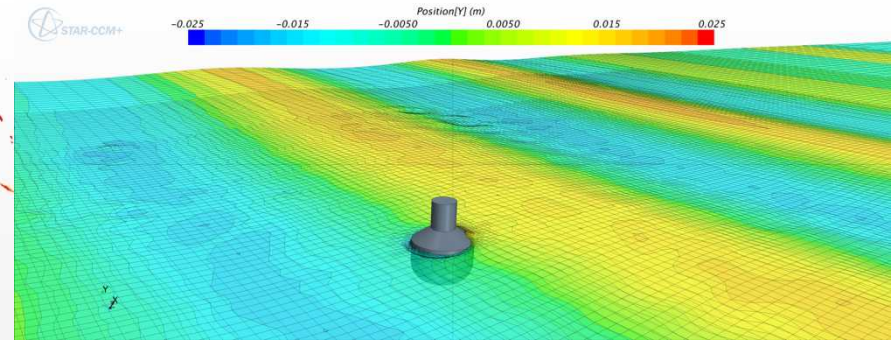
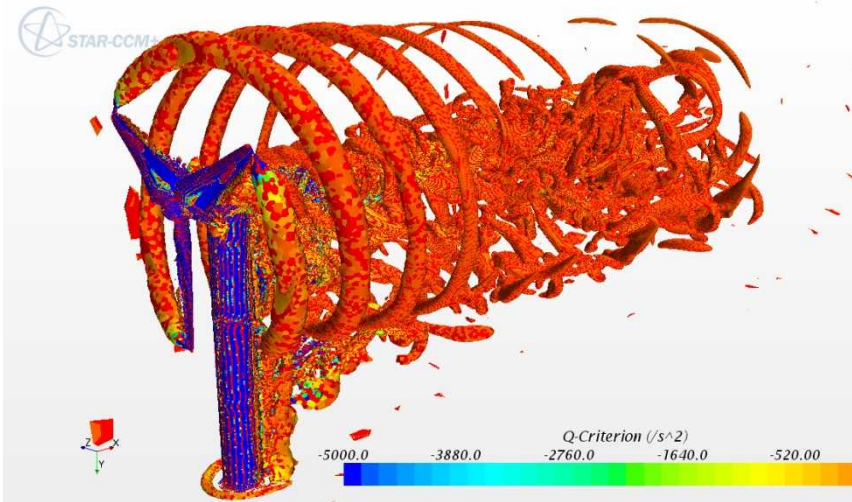
Sandia's Unique Capabilities/Facilities: Dealing with extremes

Probabilistic methods for predicting extreme design loads

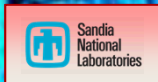


Sandia's Unique Capabilities/Facilities: Dealing with extremes

High fidelity modeling of fluid and structural dynamics, fluid-structure-interaction



XPRESS (eXascale Programming Environment and System Software) - operating system and associated components that will enable exascale computing by 2020



THE
EXASCALE CHALLENGE

Reference Models

Accomplishment: Developed 6 public domain designs incorporating:

- Power performance models
- Structural models
- Anchor and Mooring Design
- Economic Model
- PTO Design
- O&M / Installation
- Permitting & Environment

Released report on four of the completed designs highlighting the philosophy behind Levelized Cost of Energy (LCOE) derivation and experimental verification.

Objective: Obtain baseline performance and Cost Of Energy (COE) estimates for a variety of Marine Hydro-Kinetic (MHK) devices.

Project Impact:

- All reference models are public domain serving broader stakeholder needs
- Process of obtaining COE facilitates knowledge / modeling tool gaps that the industry is facing thus allowing DOE to target their research dollars effectively
- The creation of independent and experimentally verified COE across multiple device architectures legitimizes the comparison

Current Work:

Work to disseminate:

- Project reports
- Reference model designs
- Data from scaled model studies
- COE model spreadsheets
- Release of RM5 and RM6 information

Tidal Turbine
horizontal axis



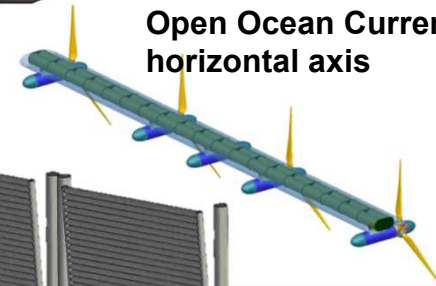
River Turbine
vertical axis



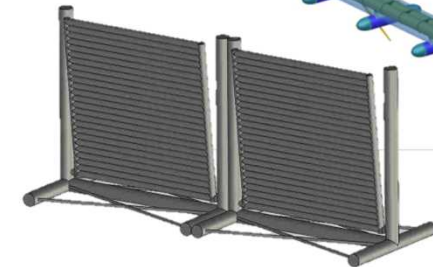
Point Absorber
dual absorber



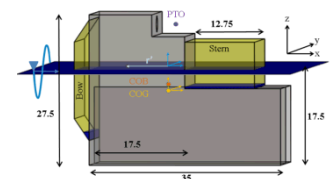
Open Ocean Current
horizontal axis



Floating Surge
Pitching Flaps



Floating OWC
BBDB



Technical Support of MHK Technology Industry Support

CACTUS (Code for Axial and Cross-flow Turbine Simulation) to perform a preliminary design-space search to evaluate rotor design hydrodynamic (power) performance.

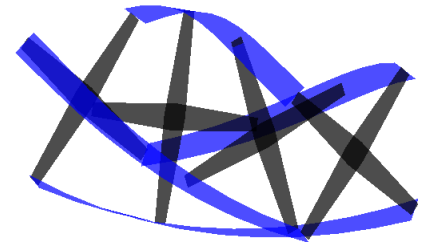
The numerical modeling test matrix considered the following parameters:

- rotor geometry (helical vs. straight blade),
- the number of struts used to support the blades,
- the solidity of the rotor (based on the number of blades and the chord-to-radius ratio).

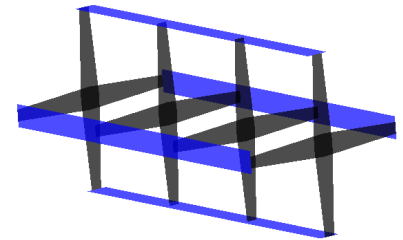
Objective:

- Evaluate for higher power performance in future ORPC turbine designs
- Enhance the next generation of MHK systems to compete in the market
- Increase rapidly advanced of technologies to commercialization
 - comprehensive analysis and optimization of MHK technologies

Future Work: Perform detailed evaluation of the ORPC TidGen™ rotor hydrodynamic and structural performance and assess viability of an alternative straight-blade rotor design for improved economic performance.



CACTUS model of ORPC TidGen™ turbine



CACTUS model of straight blade turbine

Ocean Renewable Power
Company (ORPC)
TidGen Turbine



SYSTEMS ENGINEERING AND MODELING EXAMPLES

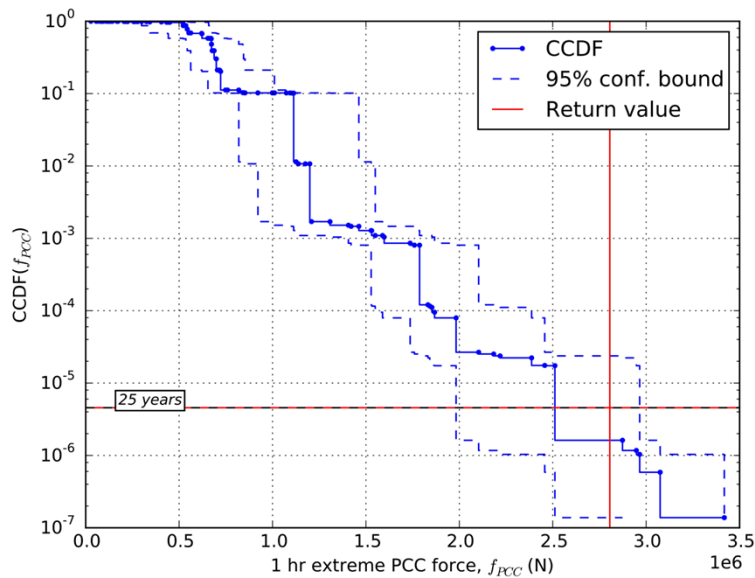
Extreme Conditions Modeling

The Extreme Conditions Modeling (ECM) project will expand capabilities in analyzing the survivability of Wave Energy Converters

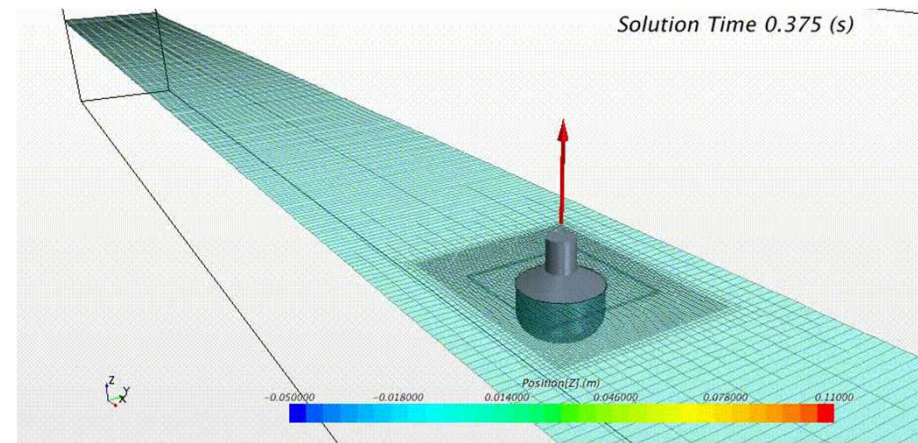
WECs must be designed to respond to ocean waves,

Objective:

- Improve best-practices for design response analysis of WECs
- Develop and study numerical modeling, empirical modeling and analysis methods to better predict design responses in WECs

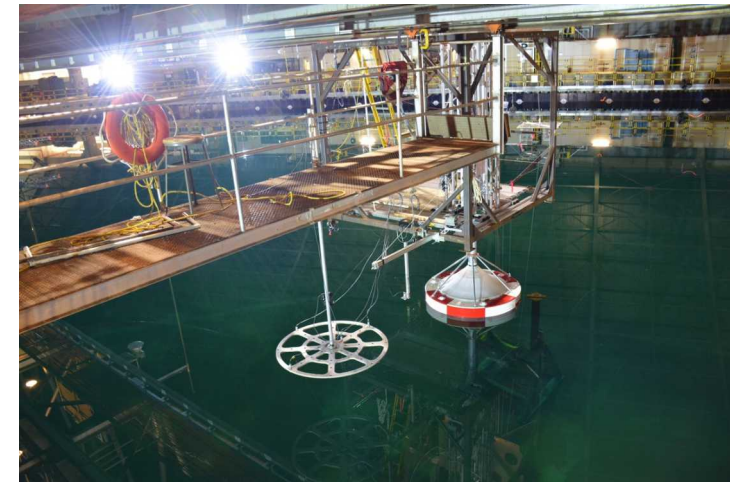
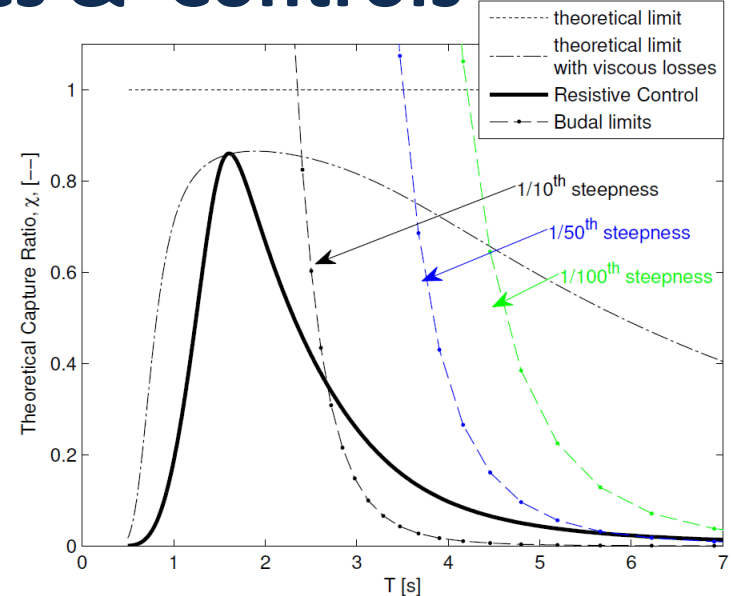


Images courtesy of Columbia Power



Advanced WEC Dynamics & Controls

- Advanced control strategies alter the dynamics of a WEC to increase energy absorption over a broader range of wave frequencies
- Numerous studies have shown large benefits of more advanced control of WECs (e.g., Hals et al. showed **330% absorption increase**)
- To-date, most studies rely on significant simplifications and assumptions
 - Availability of incoming wave foreknowledge
 - 1-DOF motion
 - Linear or perfectly known hydrodynamics
 - No sensor noise
 - Unlimited actuator performance



Wave tank testing at Naval Surface Warfare Center, Carderock Division (NSWCCD) Maneuvering and Seakeeping (MASK) basin.

Project goal: accelerate/support usage of advanced WEC control by developers

ADVANCED MATERIALS AND COATINGS FOR MHK

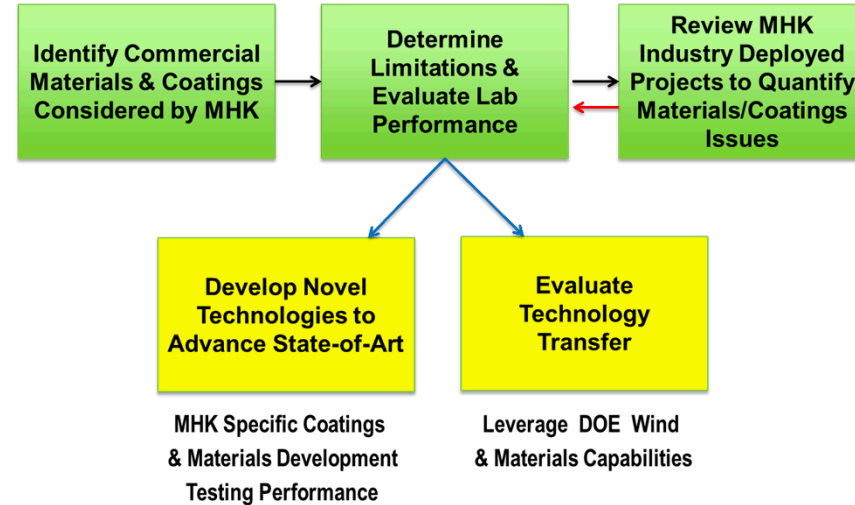
Advanced Materials for Marine Hydrokinetic (MHK) Technology

Purpose:

Sandia's Water Power Technologies Advanced Materials Program conducts applied research and provides guidance on Materials & Coatings to enable viability, lower the cost of energy (COE), and accelerate commercialization of marine and hydrokinetic technology (MHK).



Procedure:



Early Program Addressed:

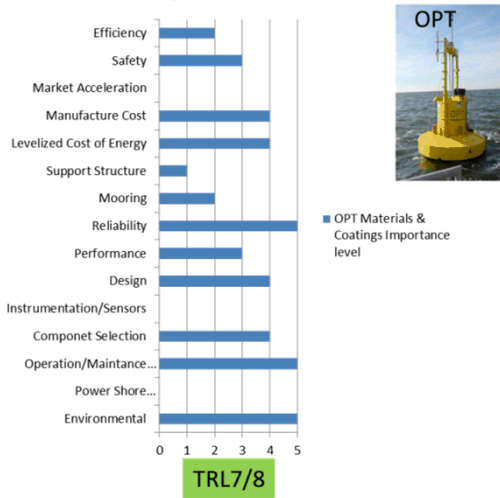
- Industrial Survey on Materials & Coatings Needs
- Development & Characterization of MHK Specific Protective Coatings
- Toxicity Testing of New Coatings
- Performance Testing on Wind Composites
- Materials Reliability–FBG sensors
- Initial Assessment of Underwater NDI Monitoring (meeting with Phoenix International)
- Meeting with Naval Research Laboratories–Arthur Webb on Coatings
- Meeting with International Marine Coatings
- MHK Composites Workshop

Future Program to Address:

- Removing Uncertainty & Barriers of using Composites (Industry Directed)
- Leverage Coatings Research & Library
- Understand Materials & Coatings Impact on MHK Manufacture, O&M, Reliability, Safety, Cost
- Support MHK Developers on Their Deployments

MHK Industrial Review

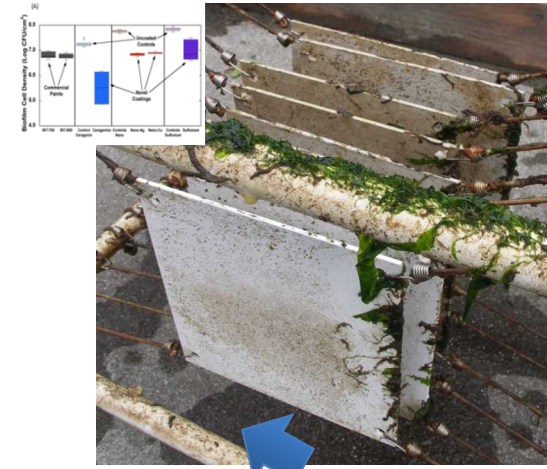
OPT Materials & Coatings Importance level



**Water Power
Materials Science
& Engineering**

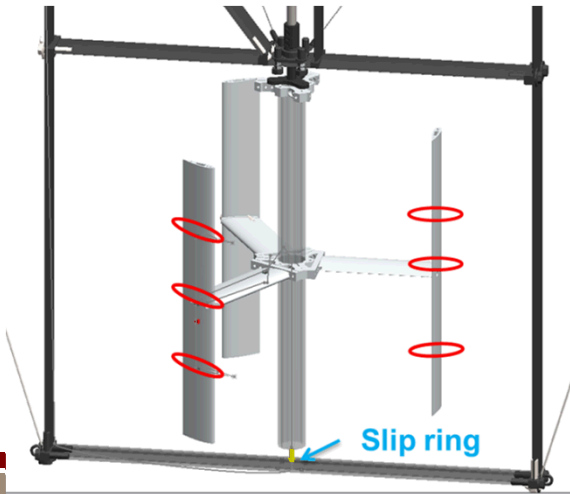
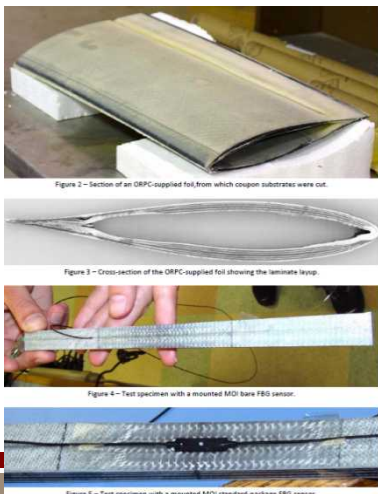
**PNNL Marine
Science
Laboratory**

Protective Coatings



PNNL Open Water Testing

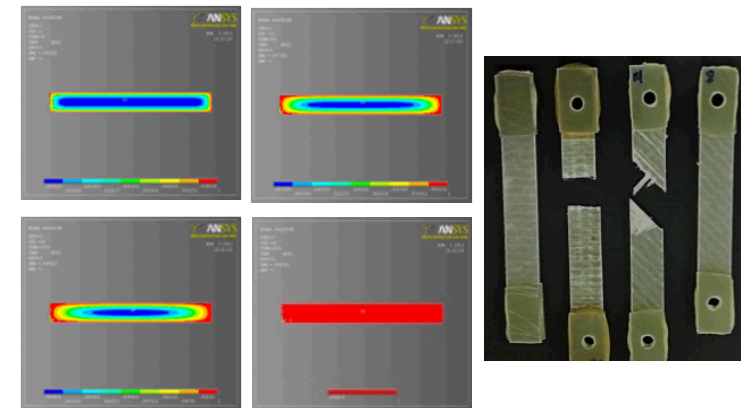
Materials Reliability: SHM Monitoring (FBG)



ORPC/MSU

UNH

MHK Composite Performance



MSU

TRANSITION: DR. BERNIE HERNANDEZ-SANCHEZ

THANK YOU

Additional Sandia MHK Capabilities

BACKUP SLIDES

WEC Device Modeling, WEC-Sim

SNL and NREL worked together to jointly develop an alpha version of WEC-Sim used to model the RM3 WEC design, a two-body heaving point absorber.

Objective:

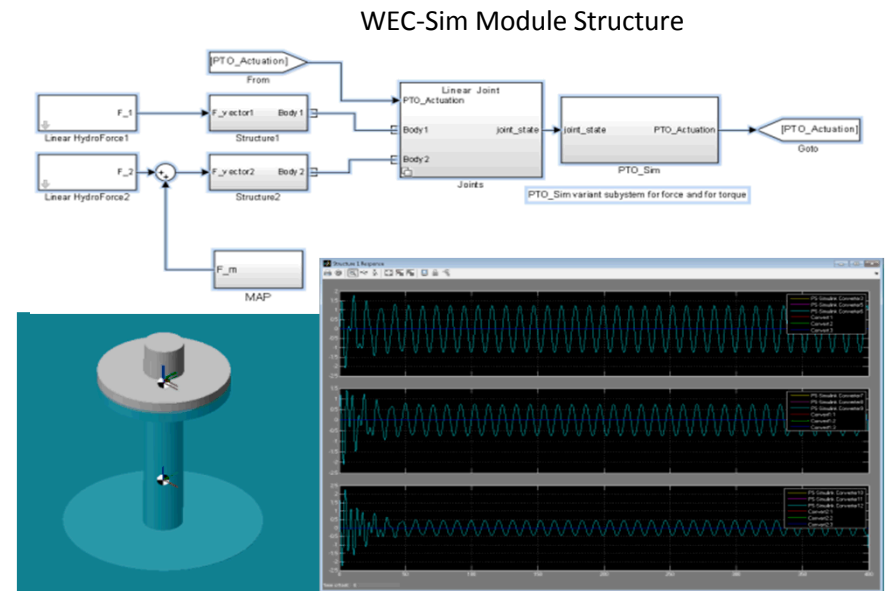
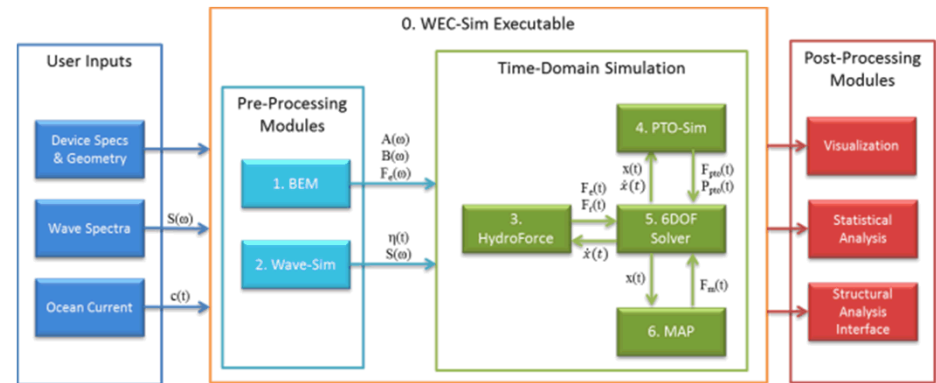
The long term objective, develop a cost effective suite of open source code modules containing a computer aided engineering tool for the development and optimization of wave energy conversion devices.

Project Impact:

- WEC-Sim will provide the wave energy community a low cost alternative to commercial WEC modeling tools
- Allow early stage developers to optimize their design using the easily customizable open source code.

Future Work:

- SNL and NREL will work together to perform verification of WEC-Sim through a code-to-code comparison to the commercial codes WaveDyn and AQWA.
- Numerical model results will also be compared to experimental data, and a Beta version of WEC-Sim has been released.



WEC-Sim Implementation in SimMechanics

Wave Array Performance and Optimization

Accomplishment:

Development of SNL-SWAN, a version of the spectral code SWAN (Simulating Waves Nearshore), to include a WEC Module by implementing a WEC Module that imports WEC power performance in the form of a relative capture width (RCW) curve or a power matrix.

Objective:

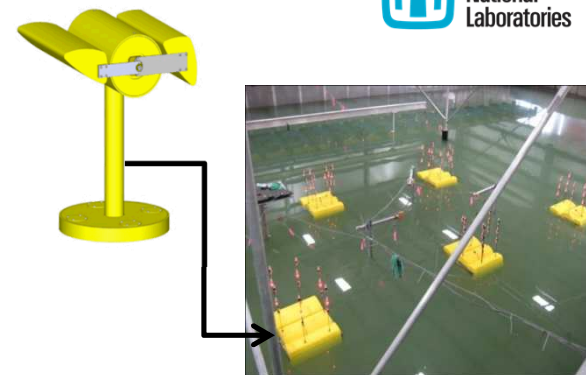
- The SNL-SWAN WEC Module incorporates frequency- and directional-dependent energy extraction terms that better model Wave Energy Converters (WECs).
- Validation of SNL-SWAN will be based on the Oregon State University (OSU) Tsunami Basin array power performance data collected from the OSU wave tank tests.

Project Impact:

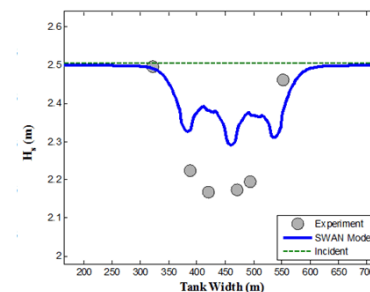
SNL-SWAN will provide a fast solving array modeling tool, allowing developers to perform preliminary array layout optimization and determine potential environmental impacts of deploying wave farms.

Future Work:

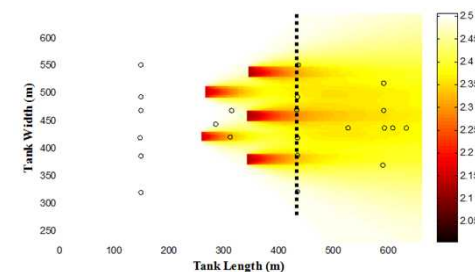
SNL will continue to perform comparison to experimental data from the Oregon State Tsunami Wave basin array tests. A Beta version will be released in FY14.



OSU Wave Farm Tank Tests



SNL-SWAN Experimental, Numerical Comparison



RCW based WEC power absorption

SWAN Application - Wave Modeling for Far-field Environmental Effects

SNL-SWAN includes a WEC Module capable of modeling the energy extraction of WECs via three methods:

- Baseline SWAN's obstacle formulation
- A WEC's relative capture width (RCW) curve
- A WEC's power matrix.

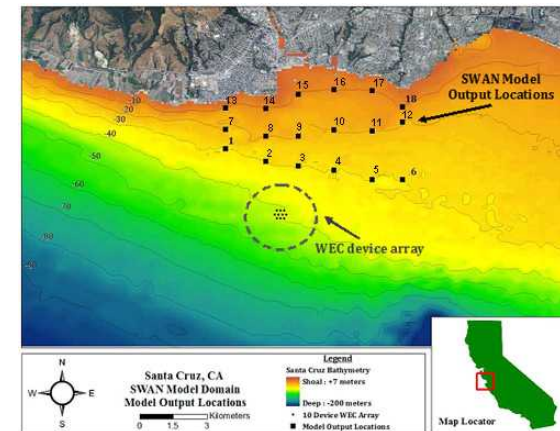
Incorporated eight different WEC device types, four array sizes, and three device spacing's into the validated Monterey Bay model domain at three different locations and performed sensitivity analysis of wave propagation and obstruction parameters.

Objective: To accelerate environmentally responsible deployment of WEC devices through the development and application of WEC friendly wave propagation models to assess the environmental effects created by changes in wave climates resulting from deployment of WEC arrays in the ocean.

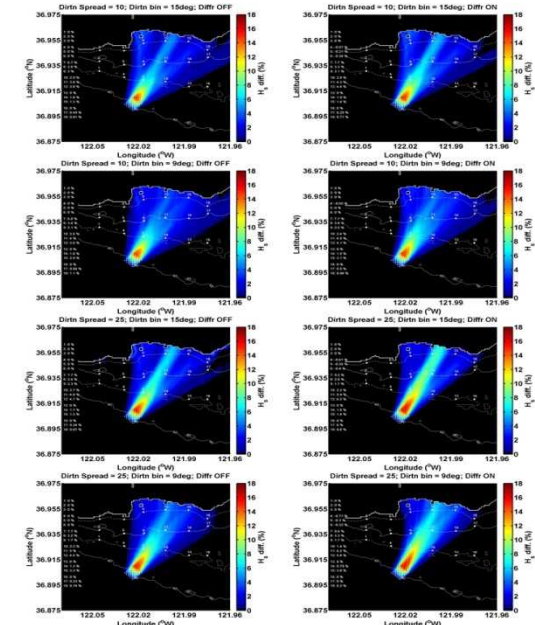
Project Impact:

This project fulfills an industry wide need for development and application of wave propagation models to

- Accurately inform developers and regulators about site-specific available wave power and realistic generation potential based on quantifiable environmental effects.
- The modeling tools will accelerate deployment of early generation devices and arrays through enhanced site planning and evaluation
- Improve DOE WWPP's modeling capability for assessing wave energy resources and environmental impacts.



SNL-SWAN model domain with example 10-WEC array



SNL-SWAN % difference in H_s with and without a WEC array

Open Source and Outreach for Current and Tidal Turbine Models

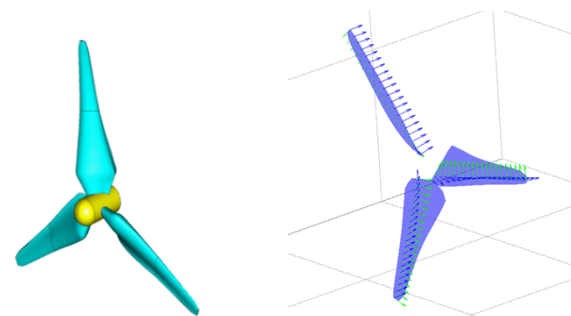
CACTUS code User's Manual has been developed and released.

The model was validated with data collected for a 1:8.7 scale model of the Sandia axial-flow turbine at the Applied Research Laboratory (ARL) at Penn State University.

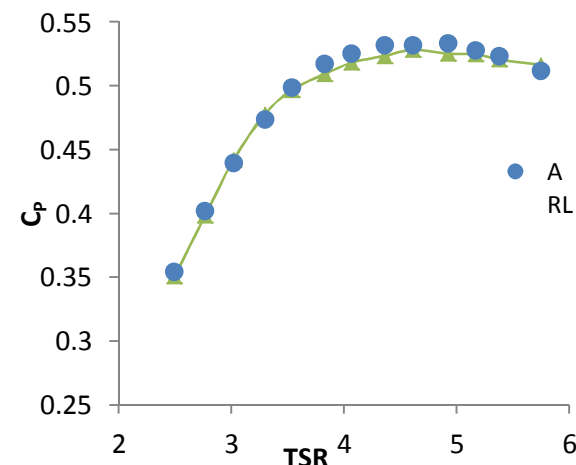
Objective: Improve MHK industry modeling capabilities for hydrokinetic turbine design and analysis and provide developers and researchers an open source CACTUS model that incorporates techniques unique to a single package and allows for rapid design turnaround.

Project Impact: This simulation capability will improve the performance of the next generation of axial-flow and cross-flow hydrokinetic turbines. Many researchers and industry developers are actively using this code.

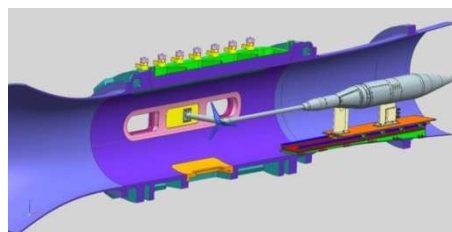
Future Work: Experimental performance data collected from scaled model testing of the Reference Model 2 cross-flow turbine at The St. Anthony Falls Laboratory Main Channel, at the University of Minnesota, will be used to evaluate CACTUS model performance simulating a cross-flow hydrokinetic turbine.



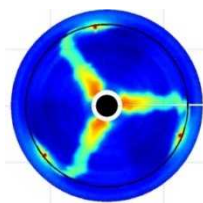
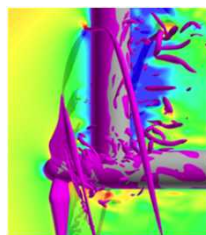
Sandia hydrokinetic turbine (left) and CACTUS model of turbine (right)



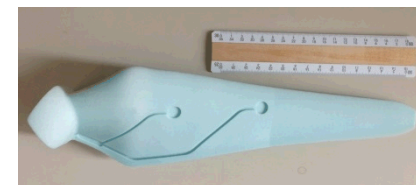
CACTUS predicted power curve (green) compared to experimental measurements from ARL



Experimental set-up at ARL water tunnel

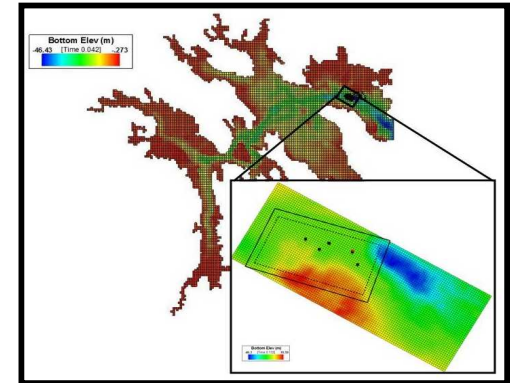


Rapid prototype foil showing location of strain gages



MHK Device Performance Modeling and Analysis

- Developed a current energy converter (CEC) array optimization framework
 - Designed to determine optimal device placement to maximize array performance and minimize potential environmental effects.
- Developed a refined grid SNL-EFDC model domain
 - Encompassing Ocean Renewable Power Company test site in Cobscook Bay, ME and applied the array optimization methodology over a 29-day period.
- The SNL-EFDC optimized arrangement of the proposed 5 CEC array showed nearly 20% increase in power production



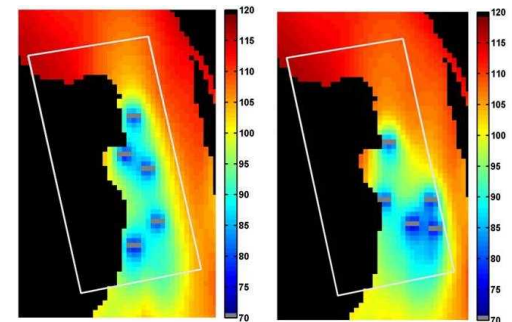
Cobscook Bay, ME regional and local model domains

Objective:

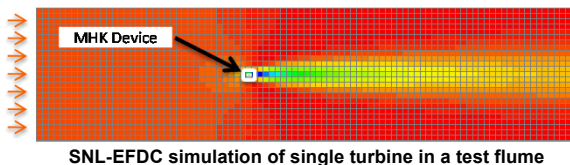
- To reduce cost of energy through strategic deployment of MHK devices
- Enhance and apply simulation tools to investigate optimal array spacing

Project Impact:

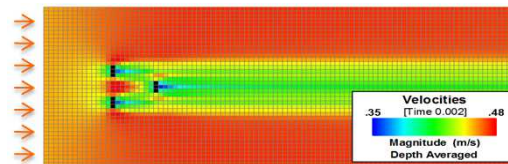
- Application of SNL-EFDC at key industry sites will help maximize power and minimize potential environmental effects. (Sediment Transport)
- Mature the simulation modeling to become more highly technically defensible
- Increase confidence in its use as it becomes the industry standard tool.



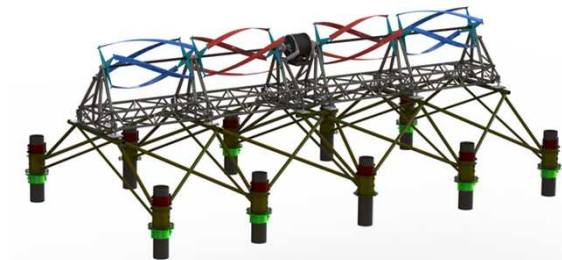
Preliminary (left) and optimized (right) 5-CEC arrays



SNL-EFDC simulation of single turbine in a test flume



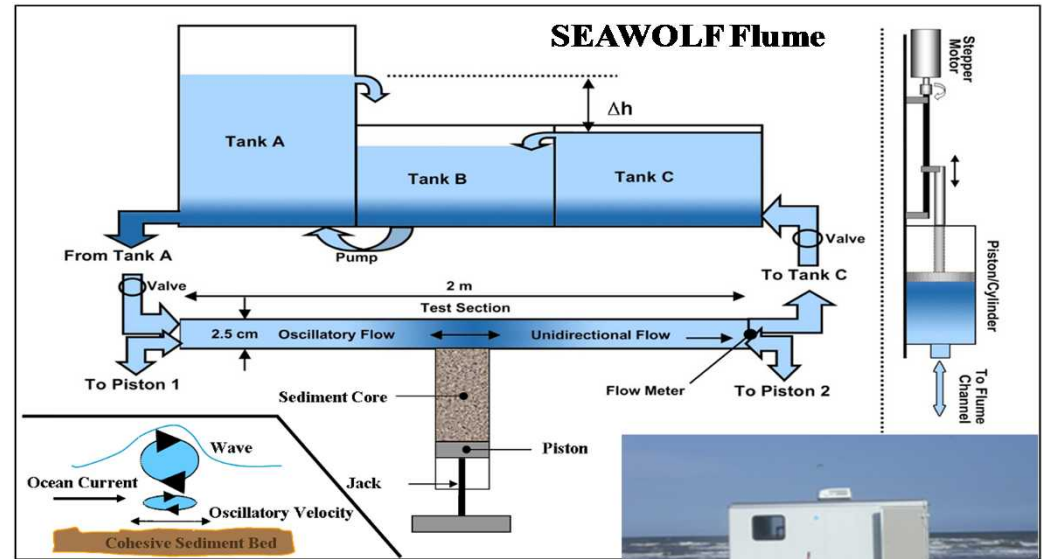
Simulation of actuator disk array in a test flume



Schematic of the ORPC TideGen™ turbine.

ASSET and SEAWOLF Flumes

- Mobile for onsite measurements
- Simulate extreme events
- Measures
 - Erosion rate
 - Critical shear stress
 - Transport mode
 - Stratification
 - Cohesive properties



Sediment
Dynamics
Laboratory

Acoustics

Finalized acoustic signature predictions for 5-m diameter, 3-bladed, horizontal axis reference current energy conversion device using a proprietary BEM model. Completed initial validation of the BEM model against test data for flow and noise generation of a scaled model of a similar CEC device to the one described above.

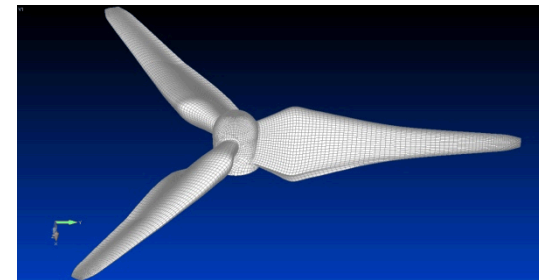
Objective:

- To accelerate environmentally responsible deployment of MHK devices by developing MHK-specific acoustic simulation tools to predict device operational noise enabling quieter designs.

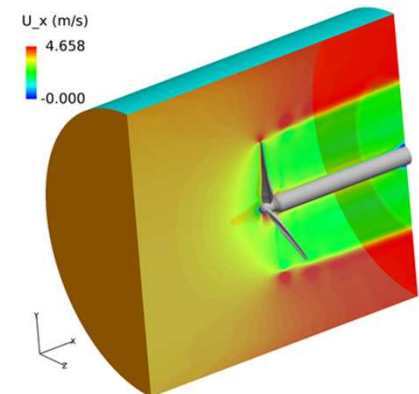
Project Impact:

- Provide easily accessible open source acoustic tools that will enable the MHK industry to predict CEC noise generation in advance of deployment
- Helping the industry design MHK devices and array layouts that minimize environmental effects created by MHK acoustics.

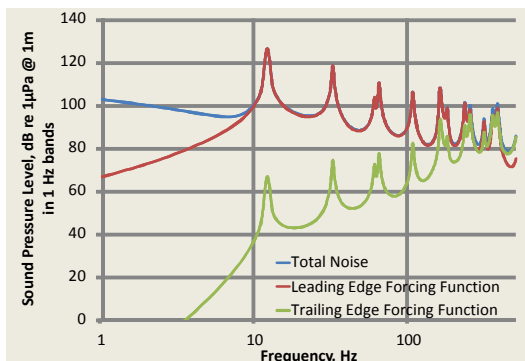
Future Work: Develop methodologies and open source tool sets to predict CEC noise generation and general MHK noise propagation in the marine environment.



Finite element mesh of reference CEC turbine



Flow computational domain with axial velocity contour



Predicted sound pressure levels from reference CEC turbine

Performance Testing for Hydrokinetic Canal Effects

Hydrokinetic (HK) electricity generation from canals shows potential to support local electricity needs with minimal regulatory or capital investment vs. conventional hydropower. However,

- Effects of HK on water operations in canals not well understood
- No experience full-scale *in-situ* testing of HK devices in canals

Objective:

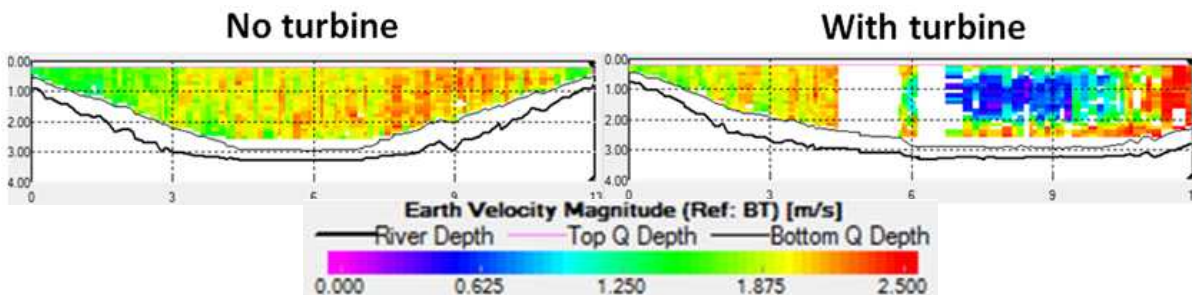
- Enable stakeholders to accurately quantify HK turbine performance and effects on water operations in canals
- Product: Best practice manuals for HK device performance characterization and quantifying effects to water operations

Performance testing and analysis

- Field measurements
 - Water levels
 - Inflow and wake velocities
 - Turbulence
 - Thrust and torque
- Analysis of all flow field measurements around device
- Develop performance curves



Study site near Pomona, WA



Velocity magnitude downstream turbine utilizing Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler

