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# Renewable Sources

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## Basics, Wave, Underwater currents, Wind and Hydropower

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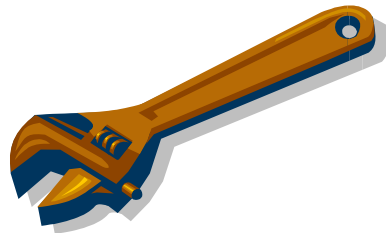
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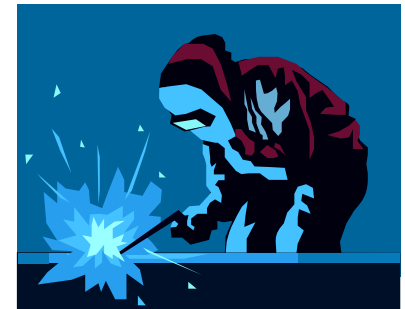
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$$\mathbf{H} \cdot \left( -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \right) = \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}) + \mathbf{E} \cdot \left( \mathbf{j} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{E} \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} \right) = \frac{\partial (\epsilon \mathbf{E}^2 / 2)}{\partial t}$$

$$\mathbf{H} \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \right) = \frac{\partial (\mathbf{B}^2 / 2\mu)}{\partial t}$$

$$\oint_S (\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}) \cdot d\mathbf{a} + \int_V \mathbf{j} \cdot \mathbf{E} d\tau = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_V \left( \frac{\epsilon \mathbf{E}^2}{2} + \frac{\mathbf{B}^2}{2\mu} \right) d\tau$$





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# Introduction to Electricity Uppsala

7 supervisors (3prof,3ass.prof,1adj.prof)

5 seniors

22 PhD students

2 fullscale labs

- Strategic resp. for technical education at UU
- Resp. for program – engineering science at UU
- Main base courses (around 60 hst/year)
  - Hydropower, Windpower, Wavepower
  - Power Engineering, Circuit theory, Electronics, Environmental Technology, EMC, Fluid Mechanics
- Hydropower masterprogram together with LTU

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# Ongoing research

Wavepower 5 PhD

Windpower 3 PhD

Marine Currents 2 PhD

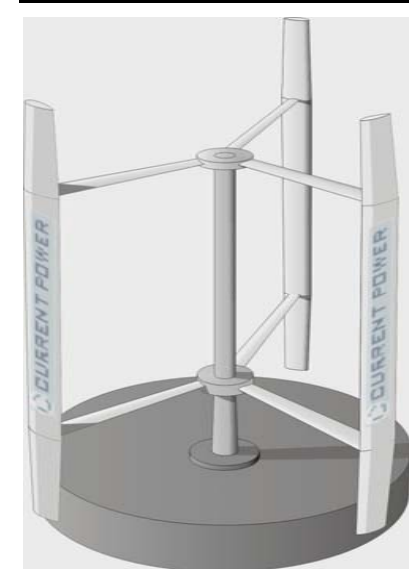
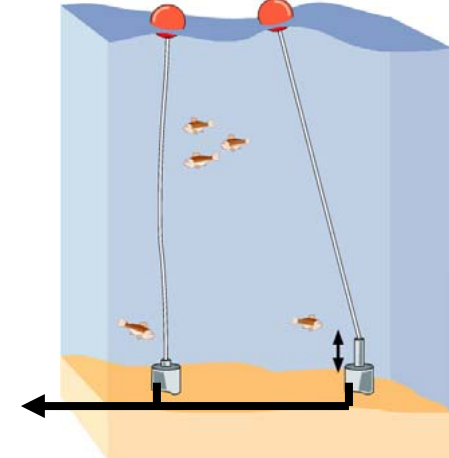
Biofuelled plants 2 PhD

Hydropower 2 PhD

Plasma Physics 2 PhD

EMC 3 PhD

Lightning 3 PhD



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# Energy - Power

$$W=UI*t$$

Not used as  
regulation

Most sources

$$P=UI$$

Short time regulation

Hydro

Gas-turbines



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# Economy for a power plant



## Cost

Is driven by installed  
**power (MW)**

Compare with a car...

## Income

Is set by converted  
**energy (MWh)**

A taxi-owner wants  
24h operation at full  
rate....

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# Why do we want to boil water ?

**A. Sources having high power density  
(Coal/Oil/Nuclear)**

i.e. Power density (kW/m, kW/m<sup>2</sup> or kW/m<sup>3</sup>)

**B. The steam turbine works 24h all days - the  
whole year....**

i.e. Large number of full operational hours /year

**.... Payback of the installed power....**

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Management



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**Converting this into  
“renewable” leads to...**

**...examination of the physics  
of the different sources...**

**...but - with no fuel costs.**





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# Power Density ( $\text{kW}/\text{m}^2$ )



In natural time-varying sources the power density varies

A Extreme values – sets extreme design values.

B Yearly average values - sets power ratings.

Max sun power density (in Sweden) is almost equal to a wind power density at 11 m/s –  
 $1 \text{ kW}/\text{m}^2$

Underwater streams at 2m/s gives a power density of  $4 \text{ kW}/\text{m}^2$

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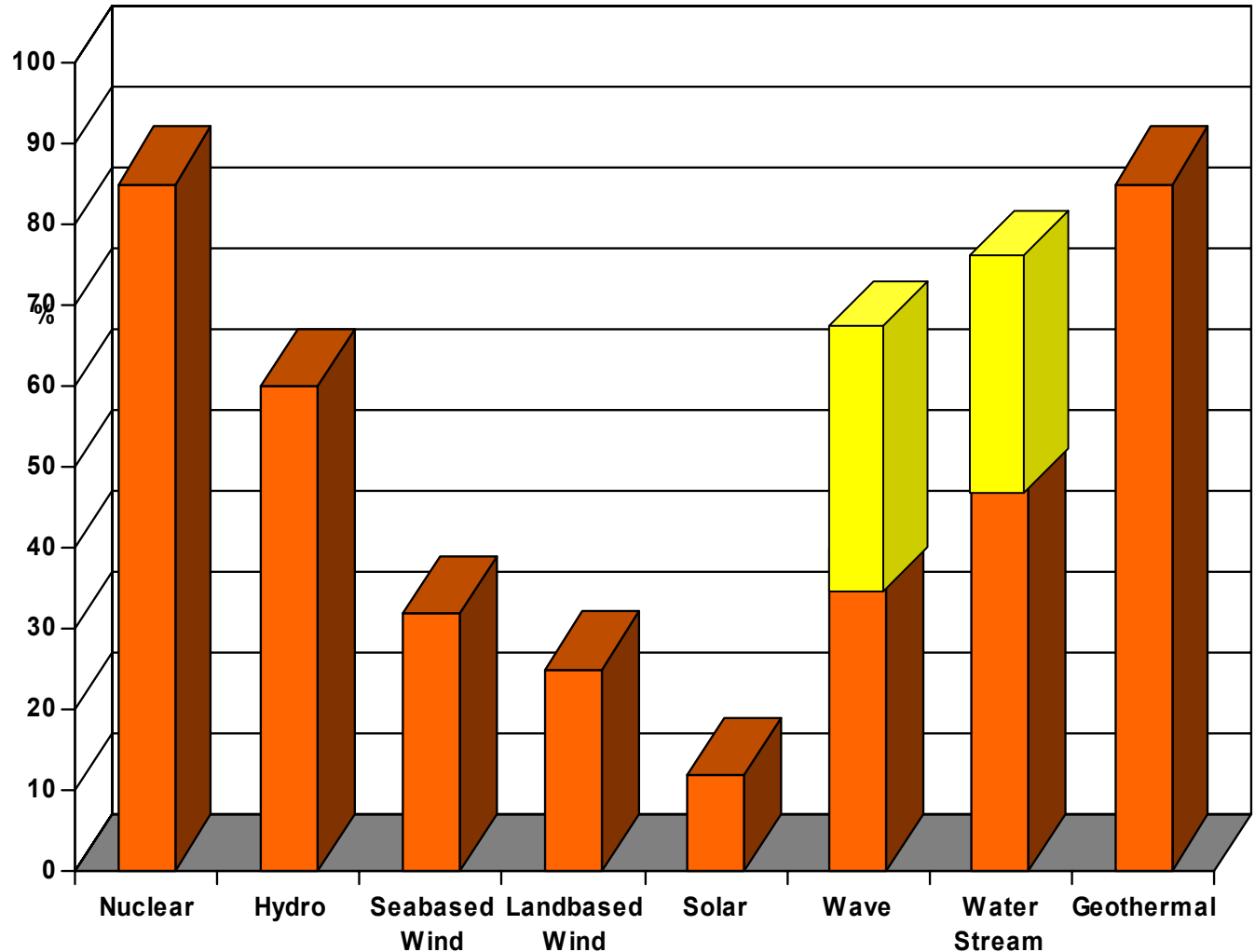


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# Utilization (W/P8760)

Annual production/Installed power times number  
of hours/year

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# Net present value calculation for some renewable sources.

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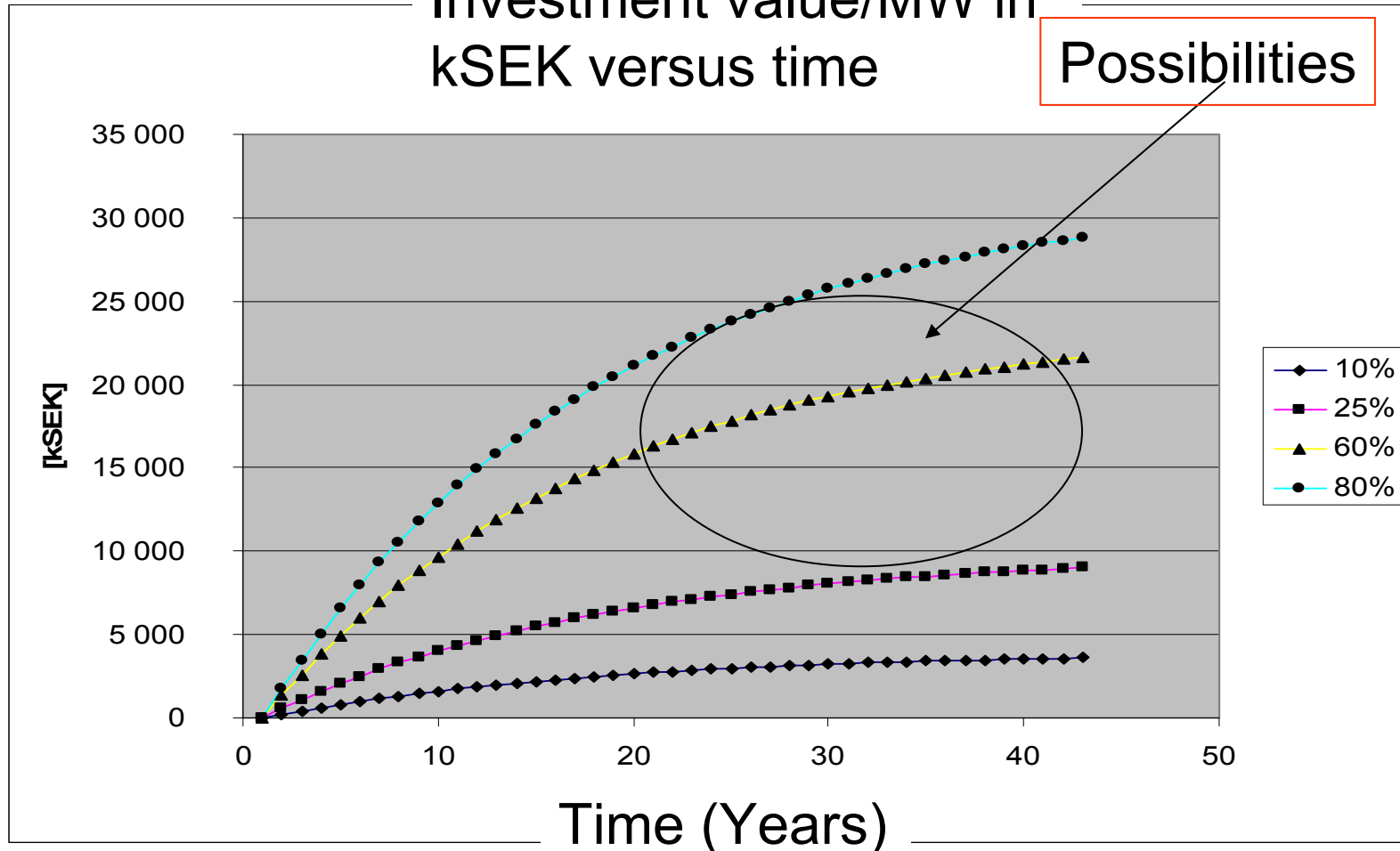
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Investment value/MW in  
kSEK versus time

Possibilities



Production price ~ 30 öre/kWh or almost 3 Eurocent/kWh



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# Renewable sources

## Adapt technology to nature

- Economy
- Ecology
- Technology

**In practice...**



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# Converting Physics into Technology....

...is a major challenge...

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...but it can be done

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# Comparison...

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Source	Power Density (kW/m <sup>2</sup> )	Utilization (h/year)	Efficiency (%)	Value* Euro/Year•m <sup>2</sup>
Sun				
Wind				
Wave				
UW				

\* Multiply by the production price set by EU 6FP for 2020 ~ 5 Eurocent



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# Conclusion

Renewable sources having:

- A High power density
- B High number of full load hours / year
- C No fuel cost

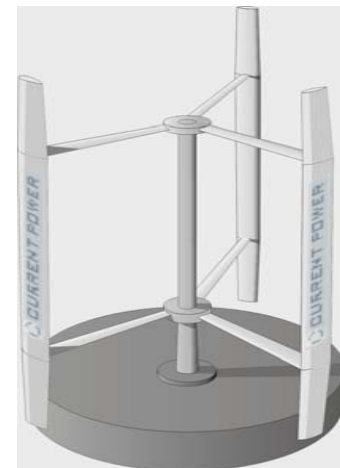
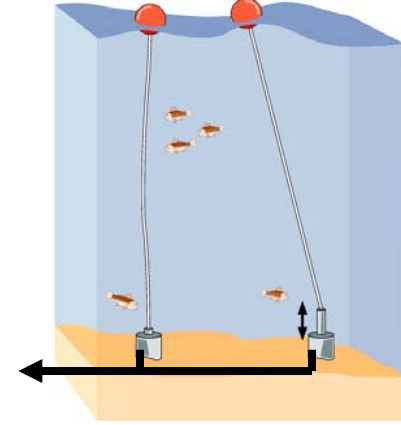
... has large possibilities to be economically competitive in the future...

Examples are...

- A Geothermal
- B Underwater streams
- C Waves

... if we today have no or poor technological solutions...opens possibilities...

... since it is the only part we as humans can change...



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# Now over to wavepower....

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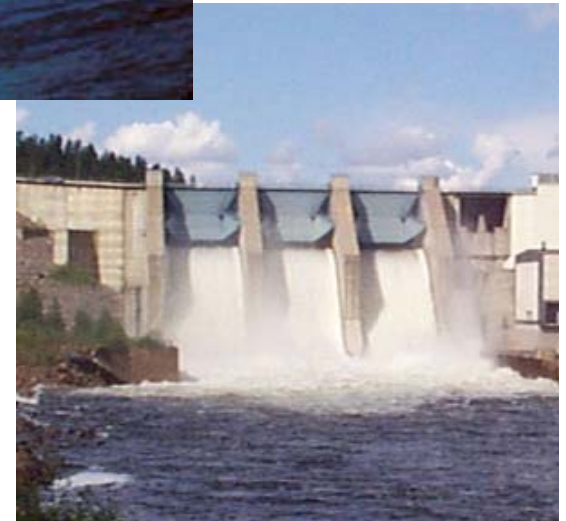
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# Wave power /energy



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$$P = k \cdot T \cdot h^2$$



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# Benefits with wave energy

- Large amounts of renewable, free energy
- Commercial potential more than the world's hydro power
- Relatively even energy flow over time  
– good complement to other energy systems

## Issues:

Technology, Economy & Ecology

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# Ocean waves:



...does not have a regular sinus shape!

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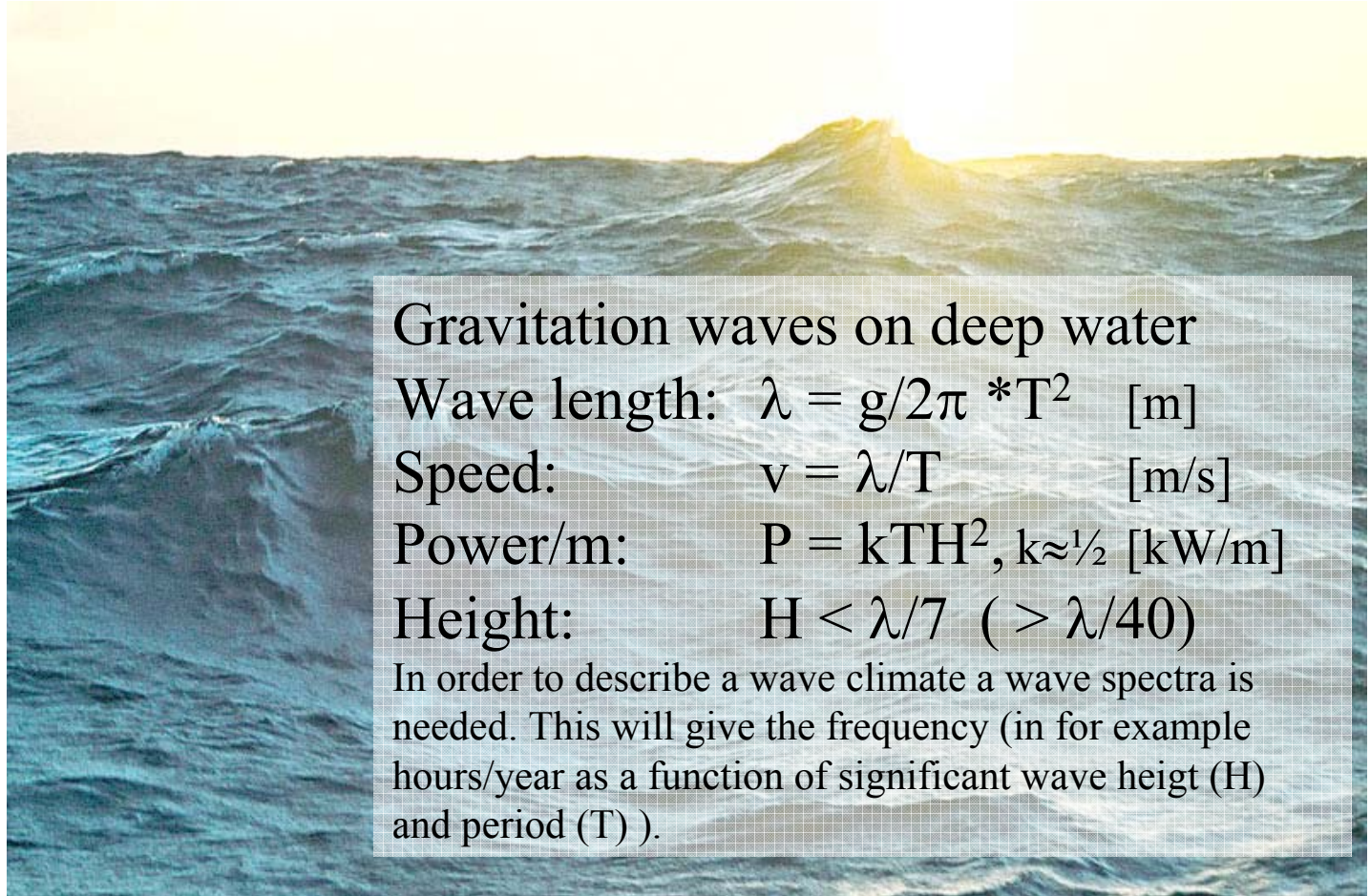
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# Ocean waves



Gravitation waves on deep water

Wave length:  $\lambda = g/2\pi * T^2$  [m]

Speed:  $v = \lambda/T$  [m/s]

Power/m:  $P = kTH^2, k \approx 1/2$  [kW/m]

Height:  $H < \lambda/7$  ( $> \lambda/40$ )

In order to describe a wave climate a wave spectra is needed. This will give the frequency (in for example hours/year as a function of significant wave height (H) and period (T) ).

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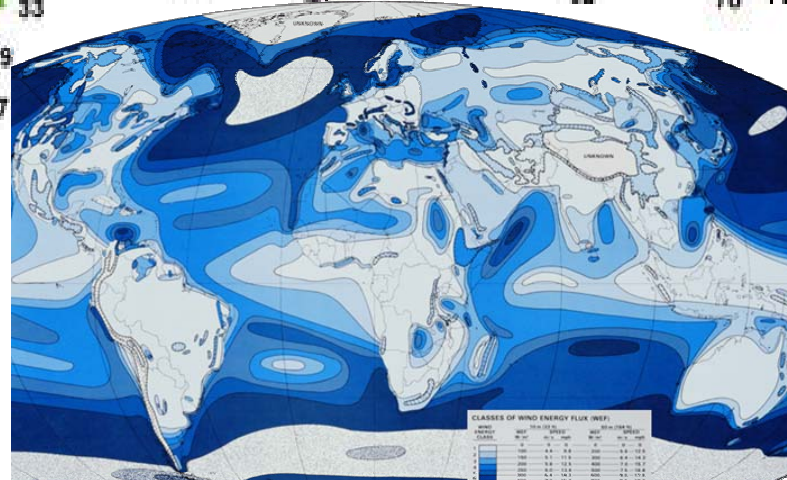
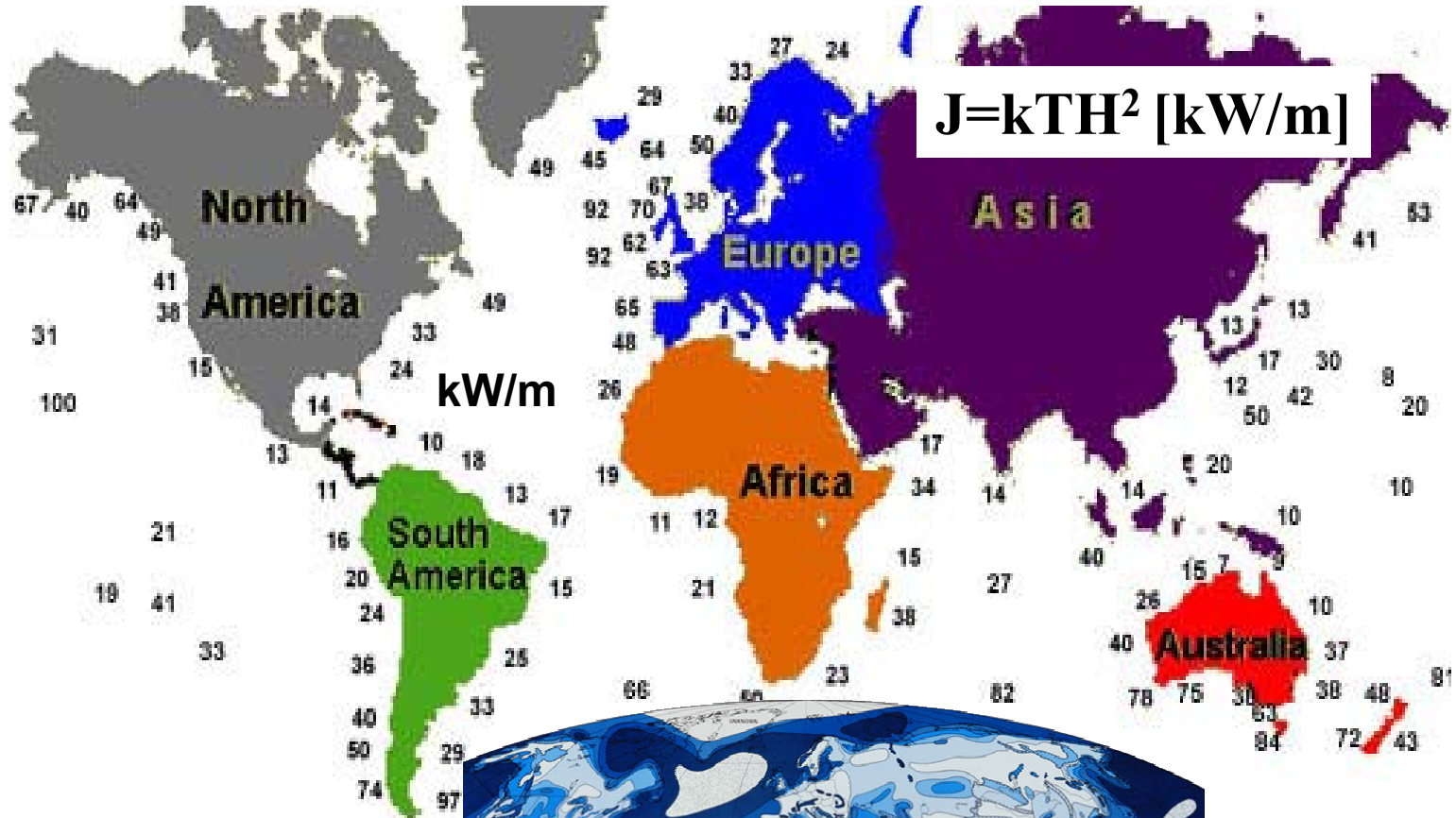
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# Today technology

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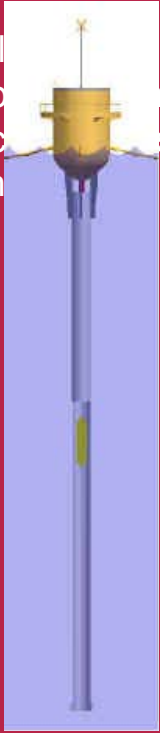
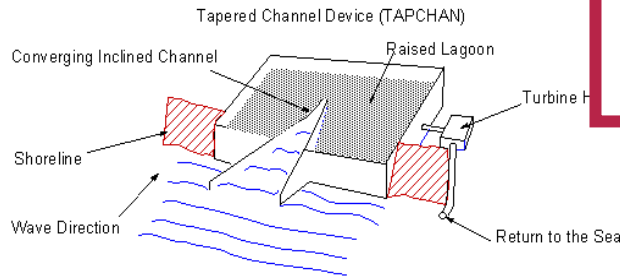
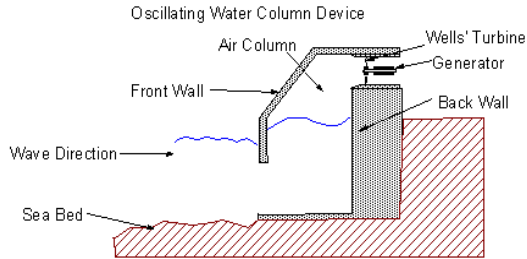
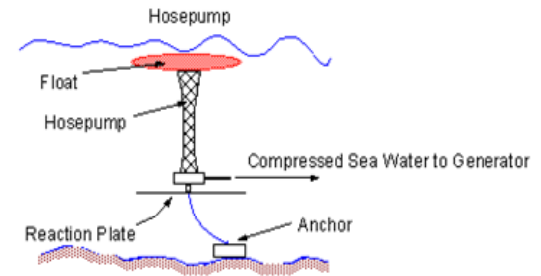
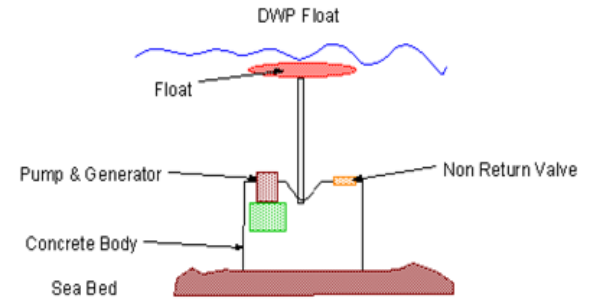
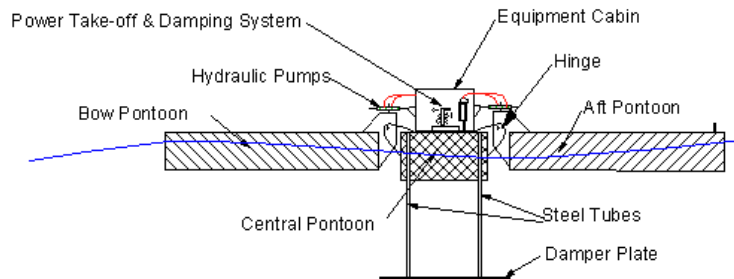


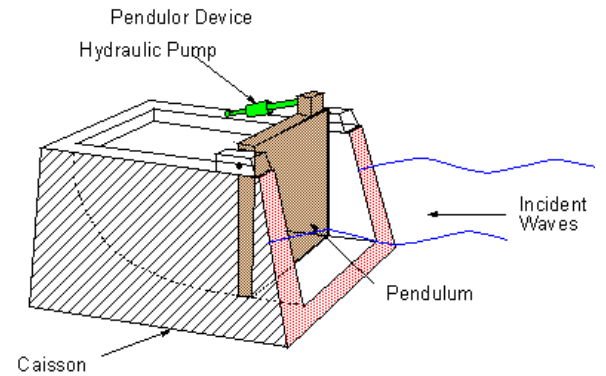
Diagram Shoreline Wave Energy Devices



McCabe Wave Pump



Wave motion  
have been  
adapted to  
std. generator



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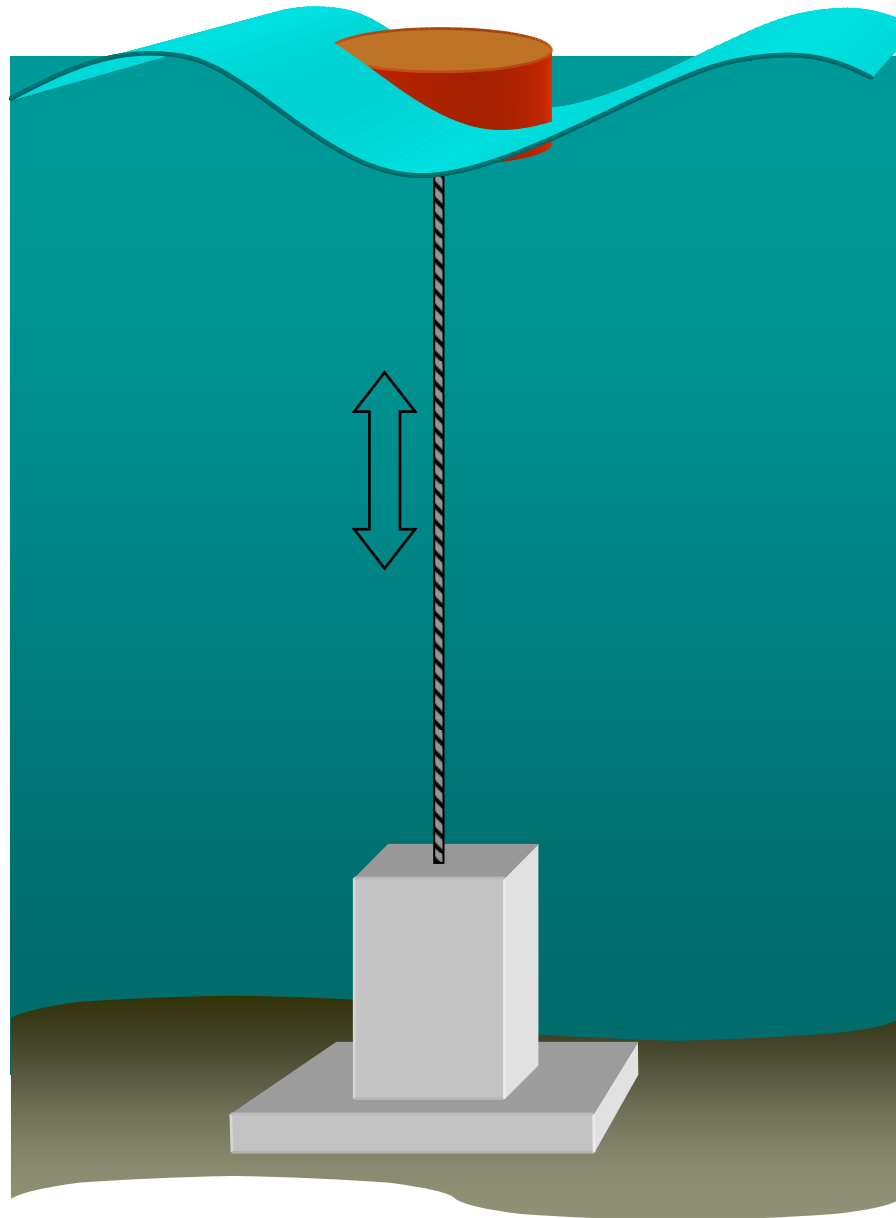
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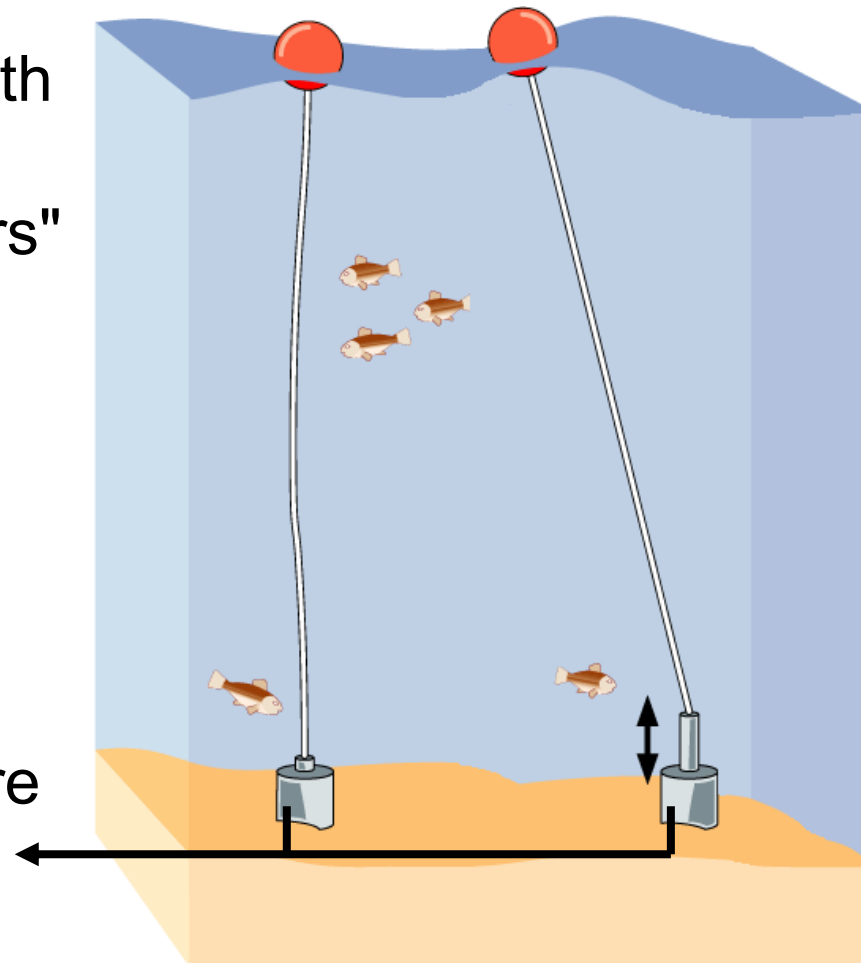
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# New technology

Adapt generator to the waves  
motion

Matrix with  
"Point  
Absorbers"



*Buoy*

*Rope*

*Linear  
Generator*

To Shore

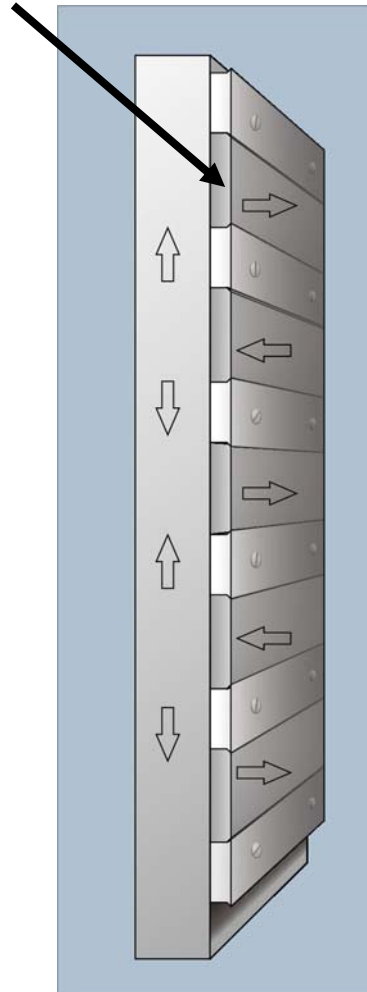




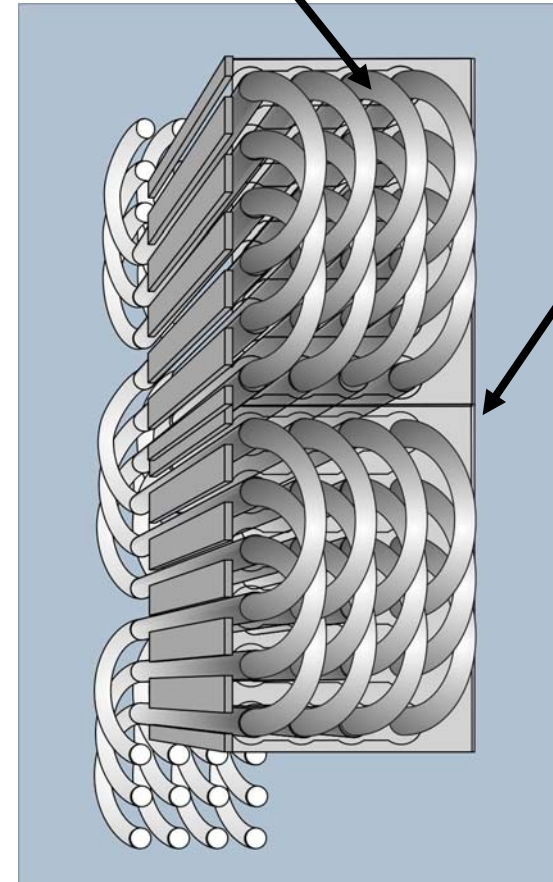
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# Linear generator

Neodymium-Iron-Bor-magnets



Three phase winding,  
standard cable



Elektro  
steel

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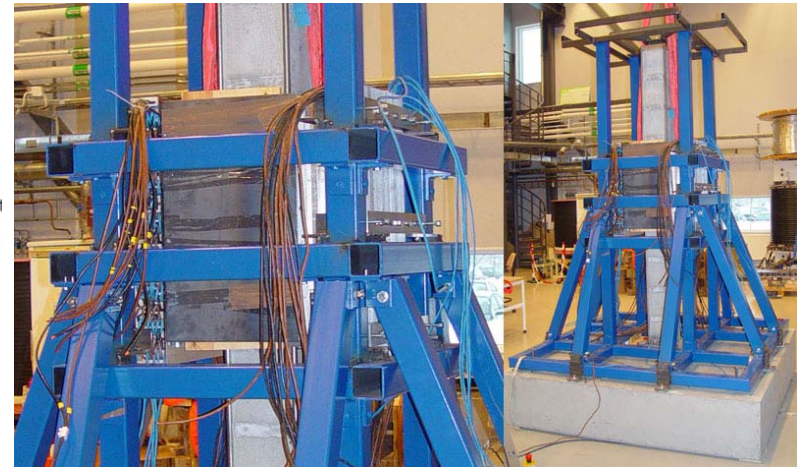
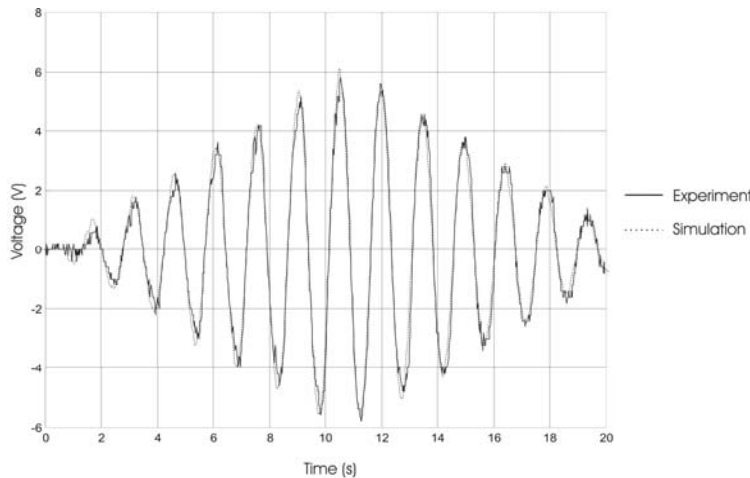
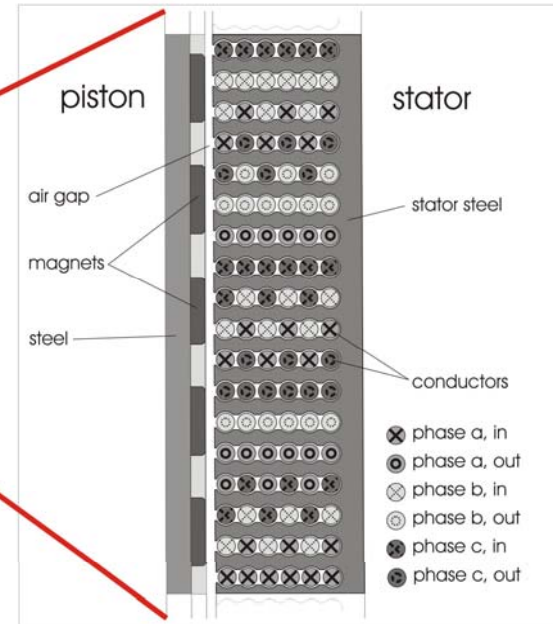
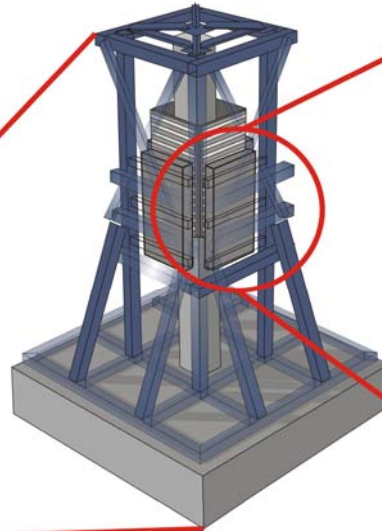
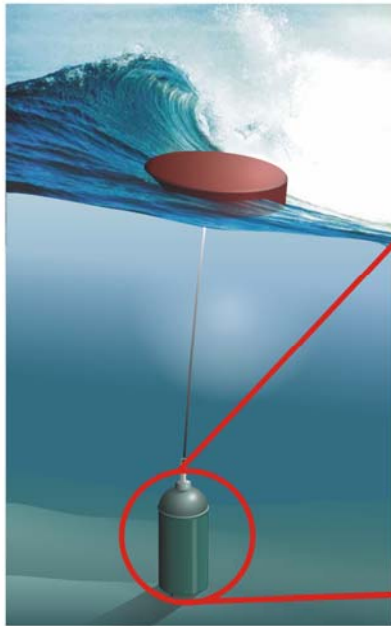
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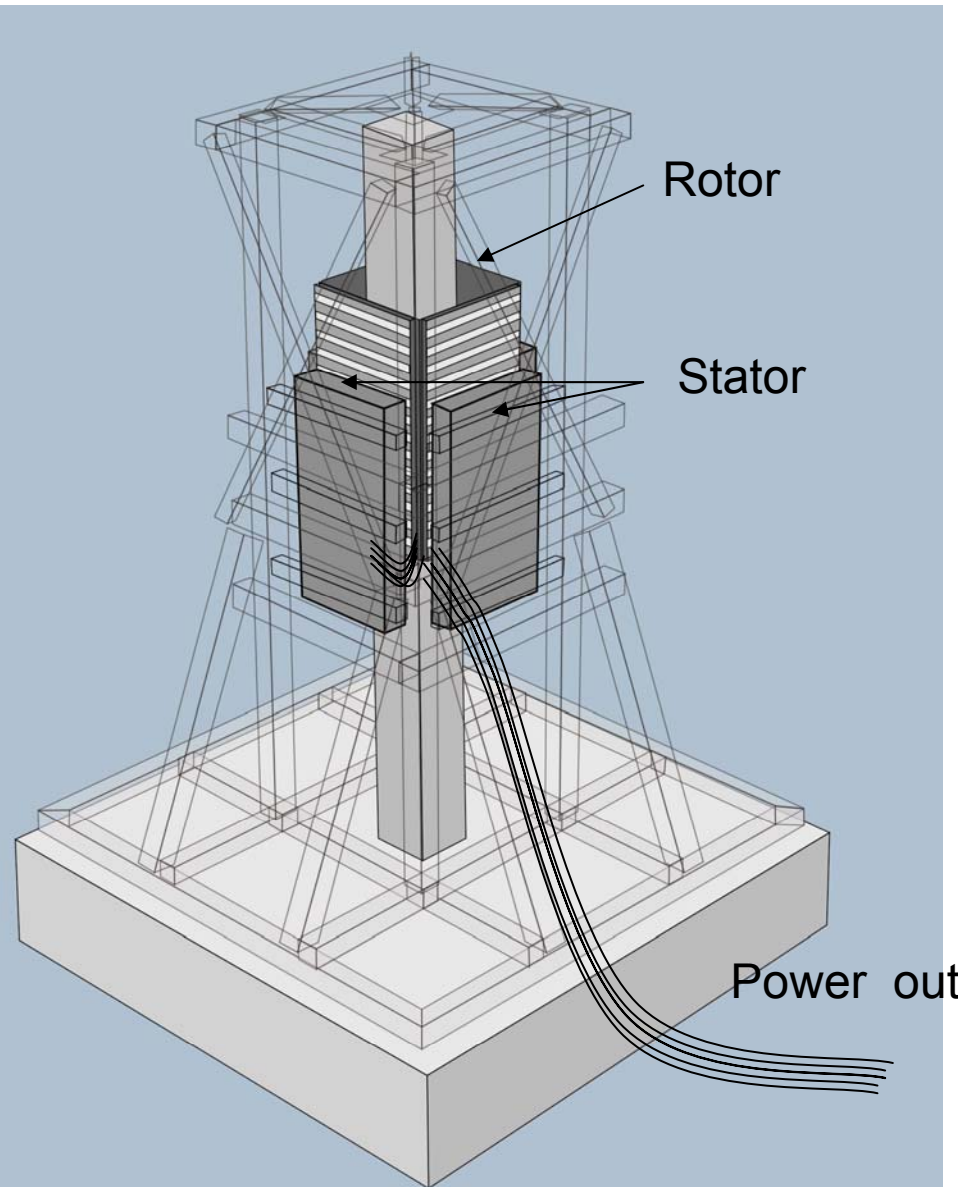
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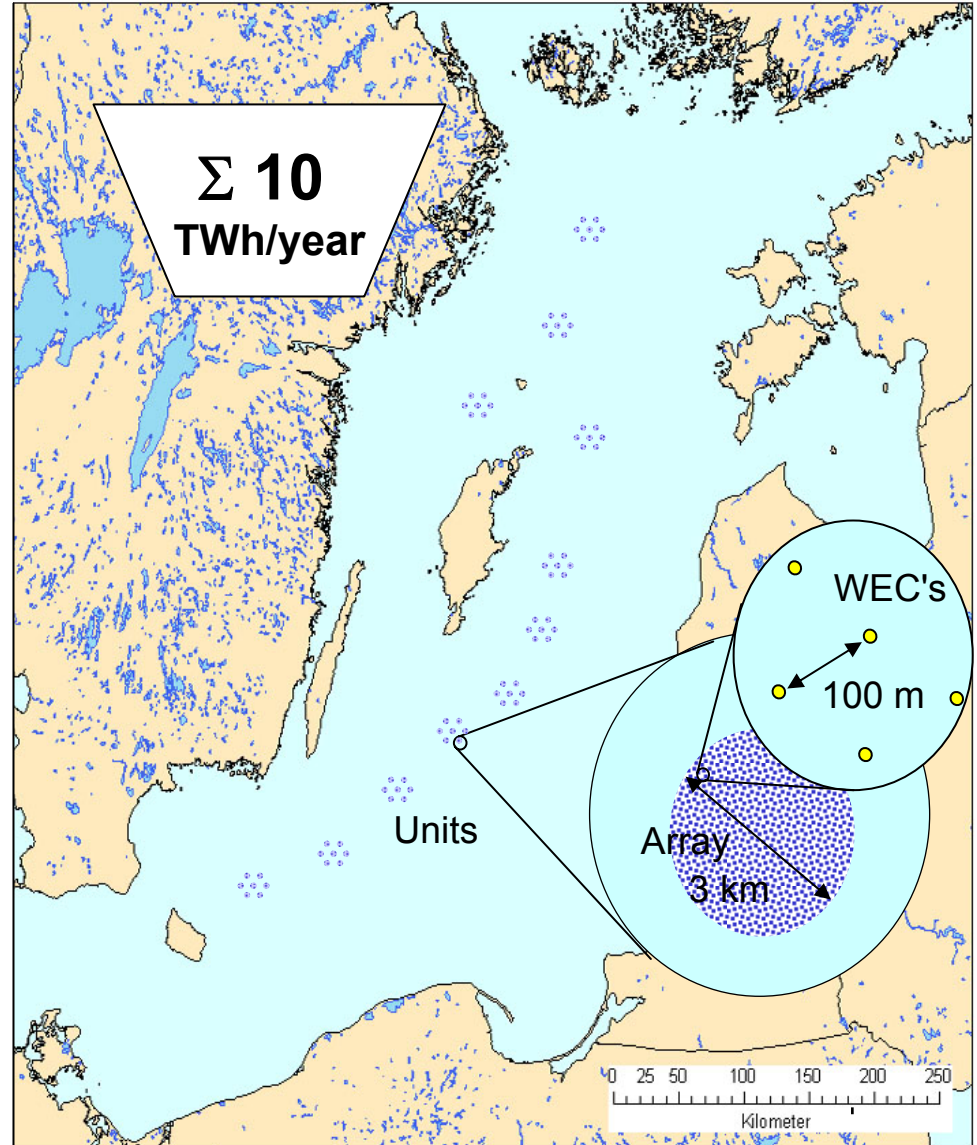
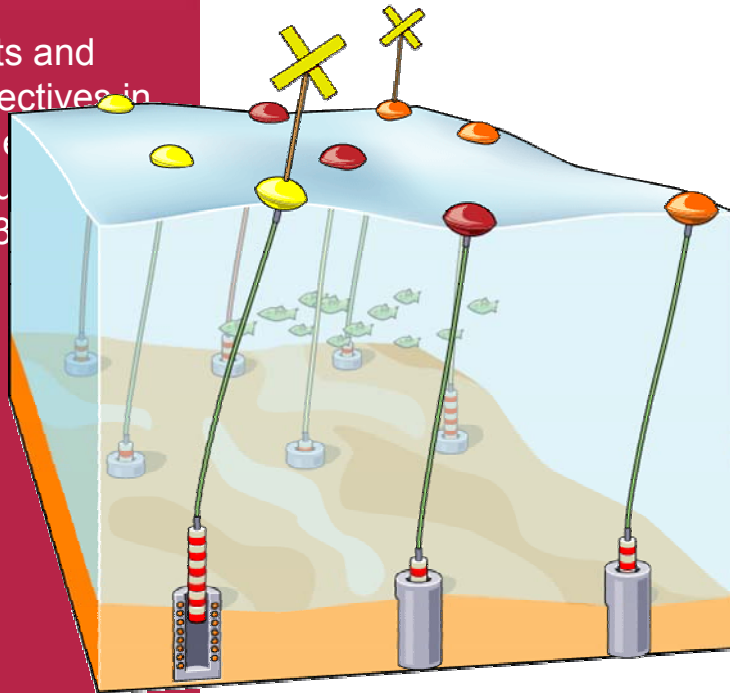


# Deployment

Example: 10 kW systems deployed in 1 800 arrays

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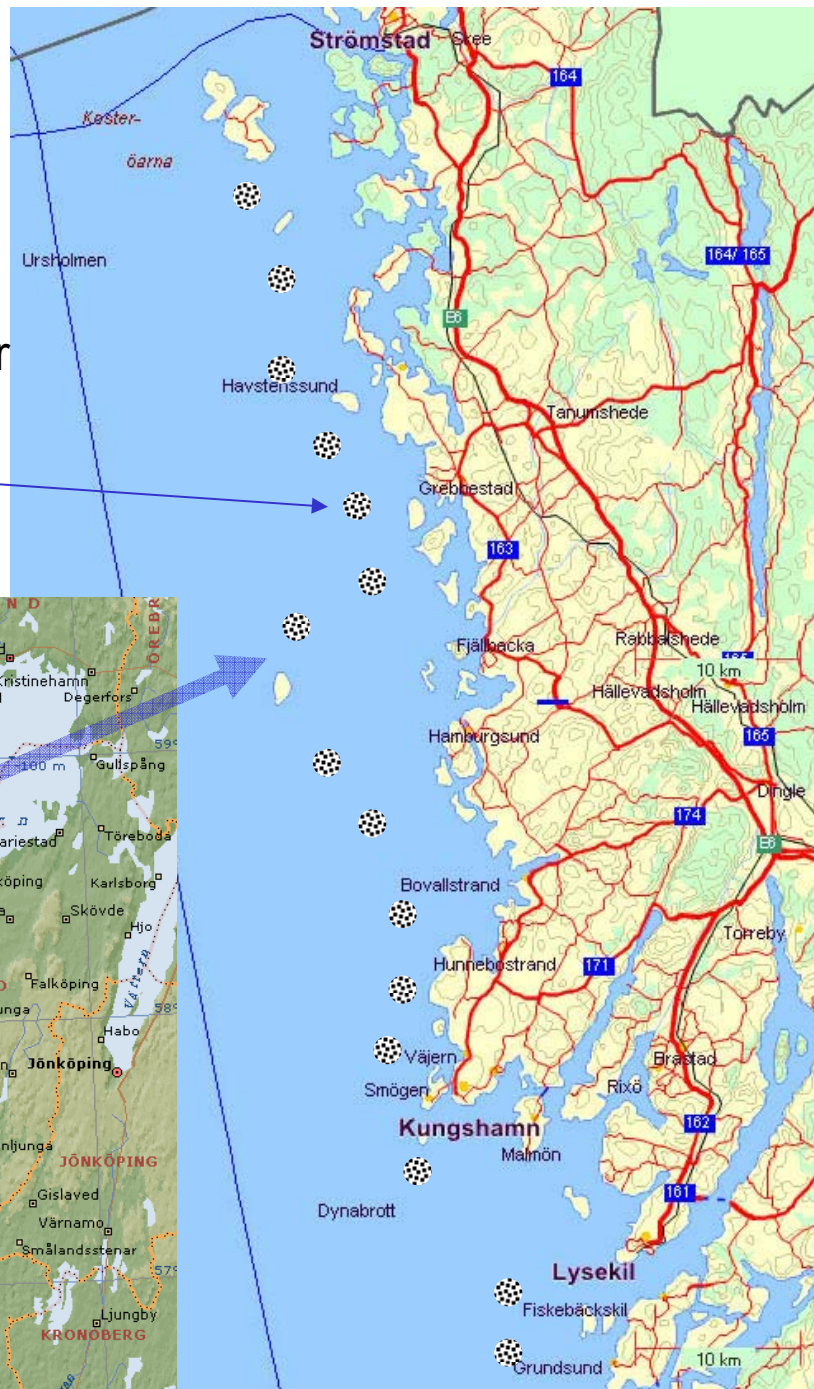
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# West coast area

- 10 MW (ca 40 GWh) Wavewater
- Totalt 1000 agg x 10 kW



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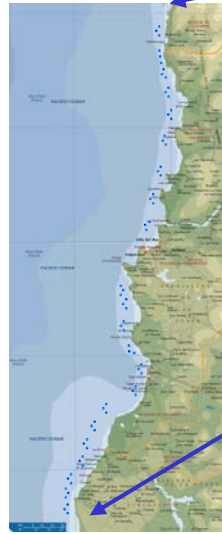




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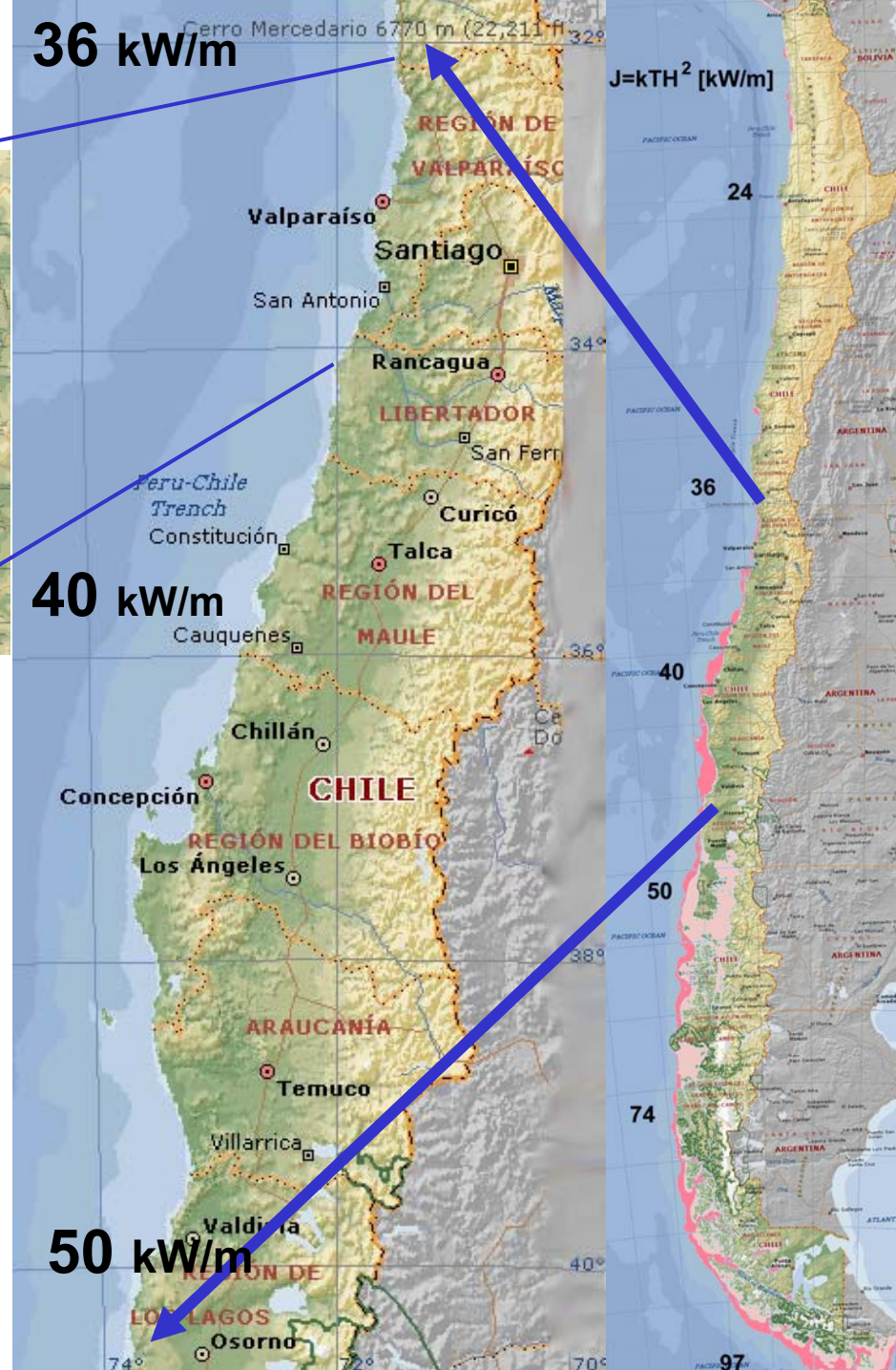
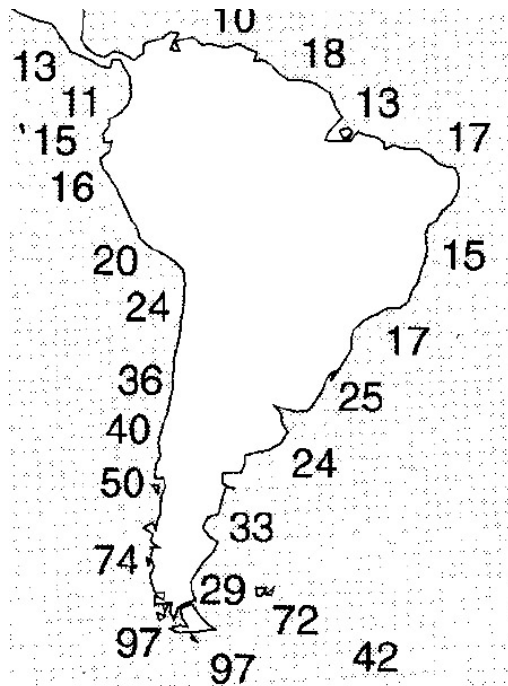


36 kW/m

40 kW/m

50 kW/m

$$J = kTH^2 \text{ [kW/m]}$$



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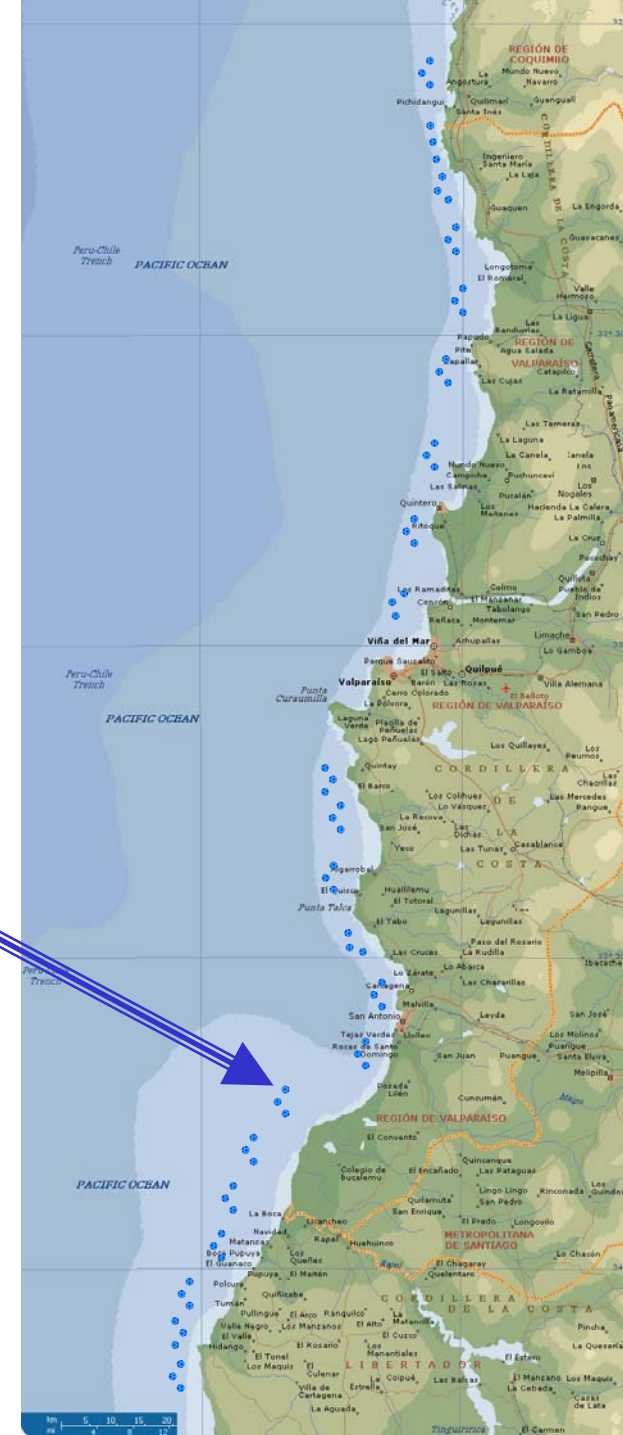
# Case 10 TWh

- Chile today apprx. 40 TWh
- Interesting coast: 32° to 42° South
- This ex. 32° to 34°

Install 10 TWh  
(corresponding to 1/2 of fossil fuel generation)

600 buoys (4m diam.) with 50 kW generator of 1.5 km diameter array  
=> 30 MW or 0.15 TWh/year

**i.e. 66 arrays => 10 TWh/year**







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# ”Lysekil project”



Demonstrationplant  
Technology  
Acceptance  
Environmentals  
Birds  
Fauna  
Fish  
Seal  
Problems

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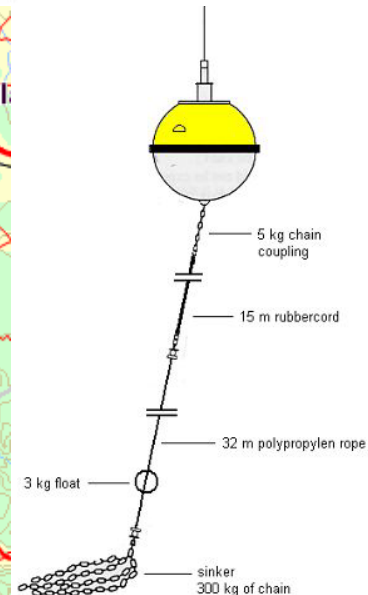
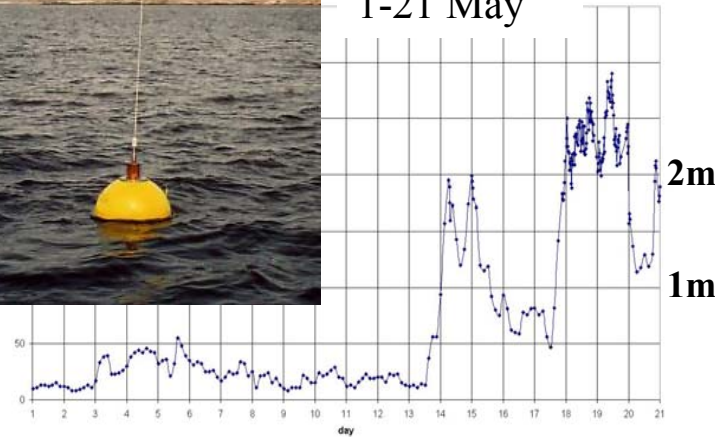
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Waveheight  
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# **Now over to kinetic energy conversion.... Marine currents & Wind power**

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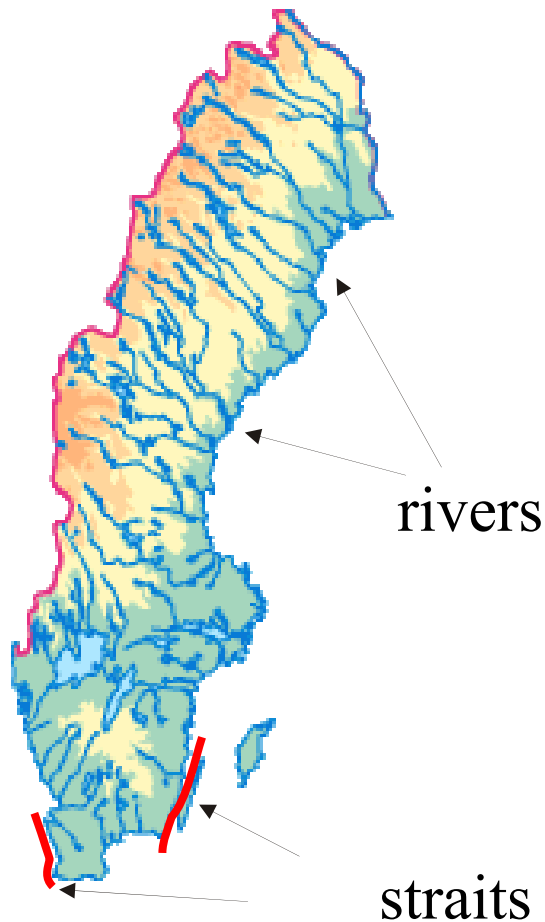




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# Background: Unregulated watercourses

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- no tidal currents
- many rivers and some straits along the coast

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# Question:

Is it possible to design a direct drive generator with good electromagnetic properties for the low turbine speeds and connect it to the AC grid?

**Yes - but you can't read about it...**

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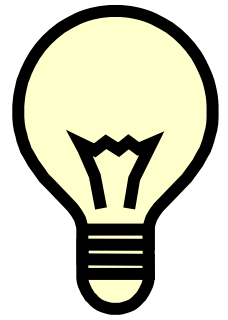
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# Maxwell's equations



$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho_f \quad , \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = - \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0 \quad , \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{j}_f + \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t}$$

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# Theory

$$\mathbf{H} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{E}) = \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}) + \mathbf{E} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{H})$$

$$\mathbf{H} \cdot \left( -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \right) = \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}) + \mathbf{E} \cdot \left( \mathbf{j} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{E} \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} \right) = \frac{\partial (\epsilon \mathbf{E}^2 / 2)}{\partial t}$$

$$\mathbf{H} \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \right) = \frac{\partial (\mathbf{B}^2 / 2\mu)}{\partial t}$$

## Gauss

$$\oint_S (\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}) \cdot d\mathbf{a} + \int_V \mathbf{j} \cdot \mathbf{E} d\tau = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_V \left( \frac{\epsilon \mathbf{E}^2}{2} + \frac{\mathbf{B}^2}{2\mu} \right) d\tau$$

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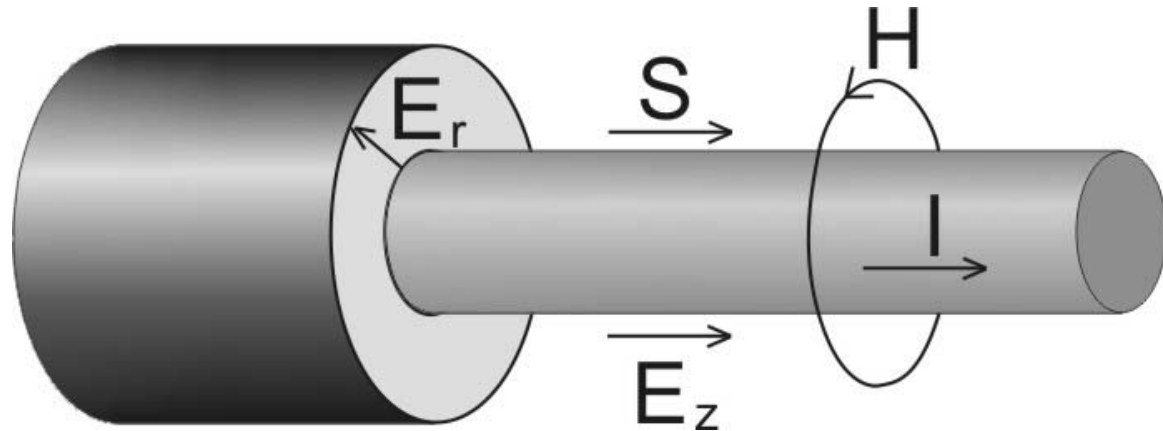
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# Poyntings vector

$$\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}$$



*Direction of fields and vector components in a conductor.*



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# Design parameters

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	E kV/mm	I A/mm <sup>2</sup>	Power density kVA/mm <sup>3</sup>
Traditional	2 - 3	3.5 - 4.5	7 - 13.5
High voltage	10 - 15	1.5 - 3	15 - 45

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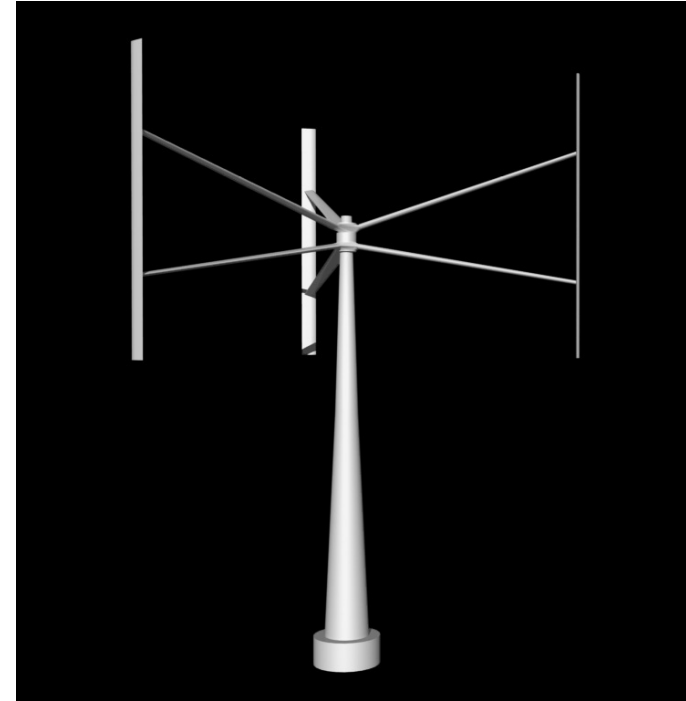


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# Background: Vertical Axis Turbines

- generator on ground
- rotationally symmetric/independent of flow direction
- both the turbine radius and height can be changed
- no blade regulation
- start winding



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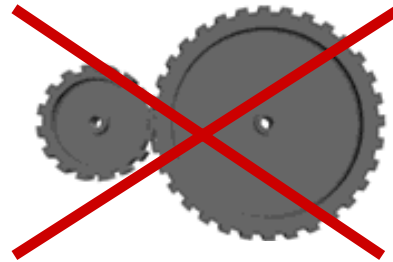
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# Background: Direct Drive System



- overloads are handled electrically
- no transformation of momentum
- higher working efficiency
- less maintenance
- less environmental impact
- results in low generator speed

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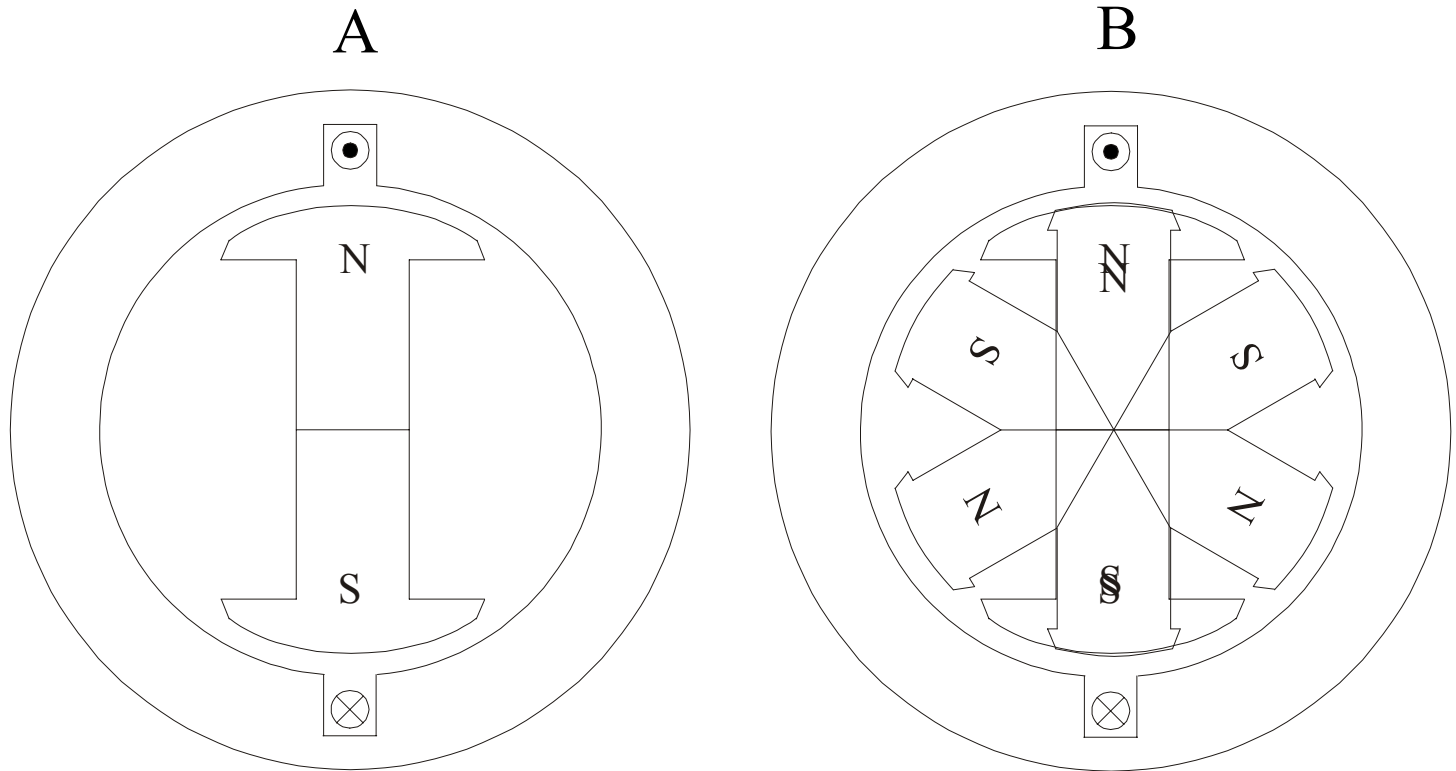
# One way to compensate for the low speed:

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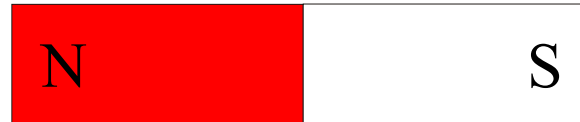


$$\frac{d\Phi_A}{dt} \gg \frac{d\Phi_B}{dt}$$



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# Background: Permanent magnets



- Simple construction
- No transitions between rotor and stator, for example carbon brushes, needed
- No rotor current losses
  - Can be large for multipole machines
- Reduced need for maintenance
- Material
  - Fe
  - NdFeB

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# Simulations:

## Example:

20kVA generators with varying rotation  
speed

The same base configurations

## Varying parameters:

Rotation speed (19 - 47 rpm)

Number of poles (46 - 114)

Diameter (1.0 - 2.5 m)

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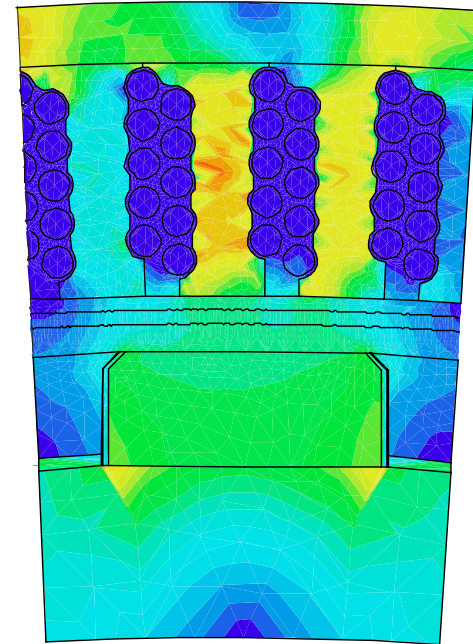
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# Simulations: Basic steps

- Define a geometry
- Assign material properties
- Solve electromagnetic field equations and thermal equations
- Steady state and time dependent solutions



Cross section of one pole

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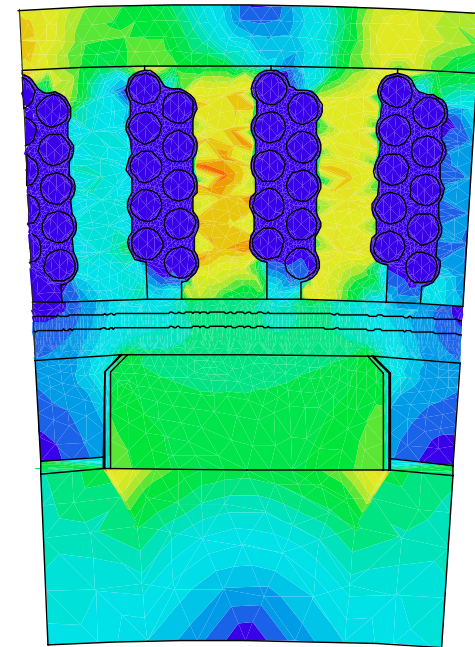
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# Simulations: Result parameters

- Induced voltage,  
currents
- Load angle
- Iron losses
- Resistive losses
- Length



Cross section of one pole





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# In reality...

- Large diameter low speed PM generator



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# First Turbin Tests



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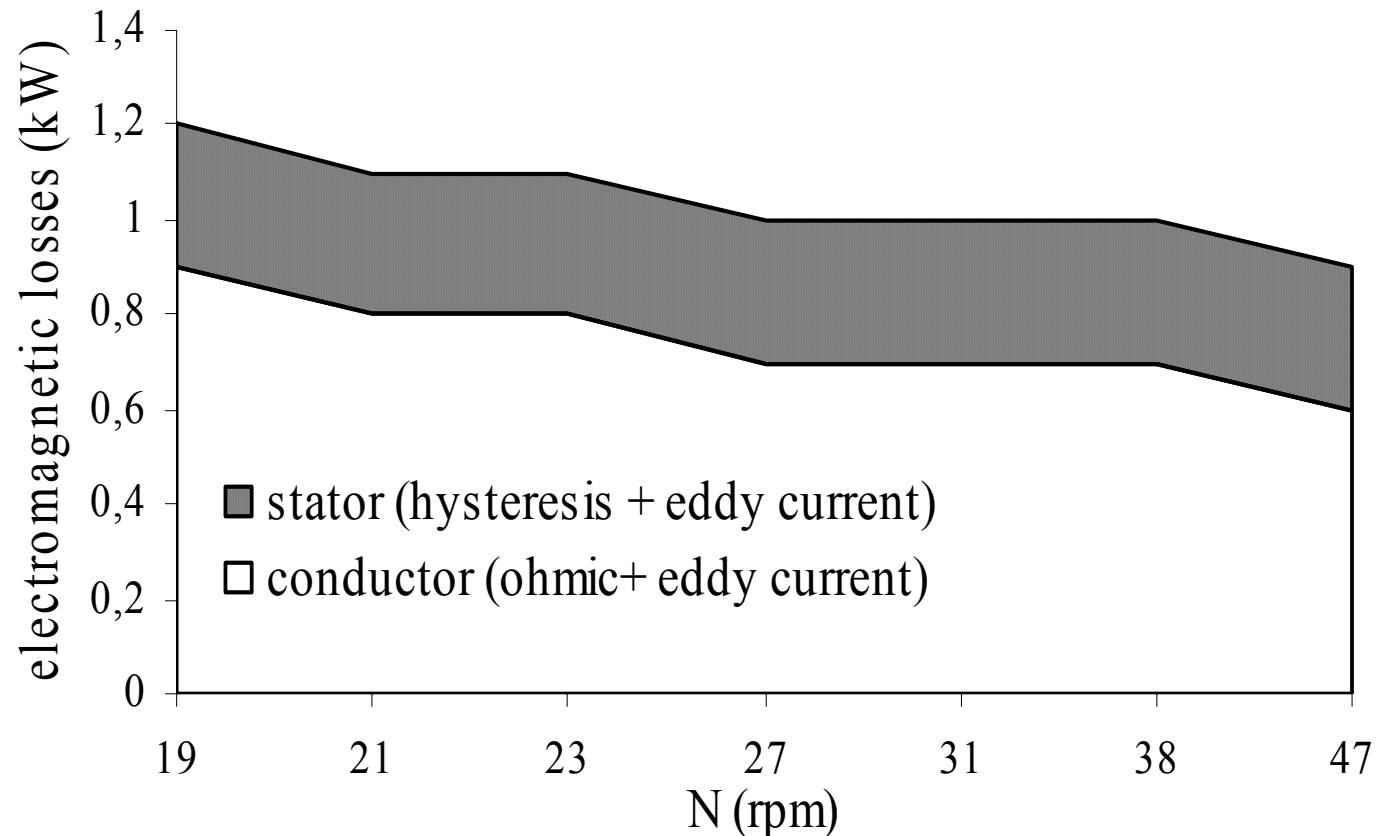


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# Results:

## Electromagnetic power losses (kW)



**Electromagnetic efficiency: 94% - 95.5%**

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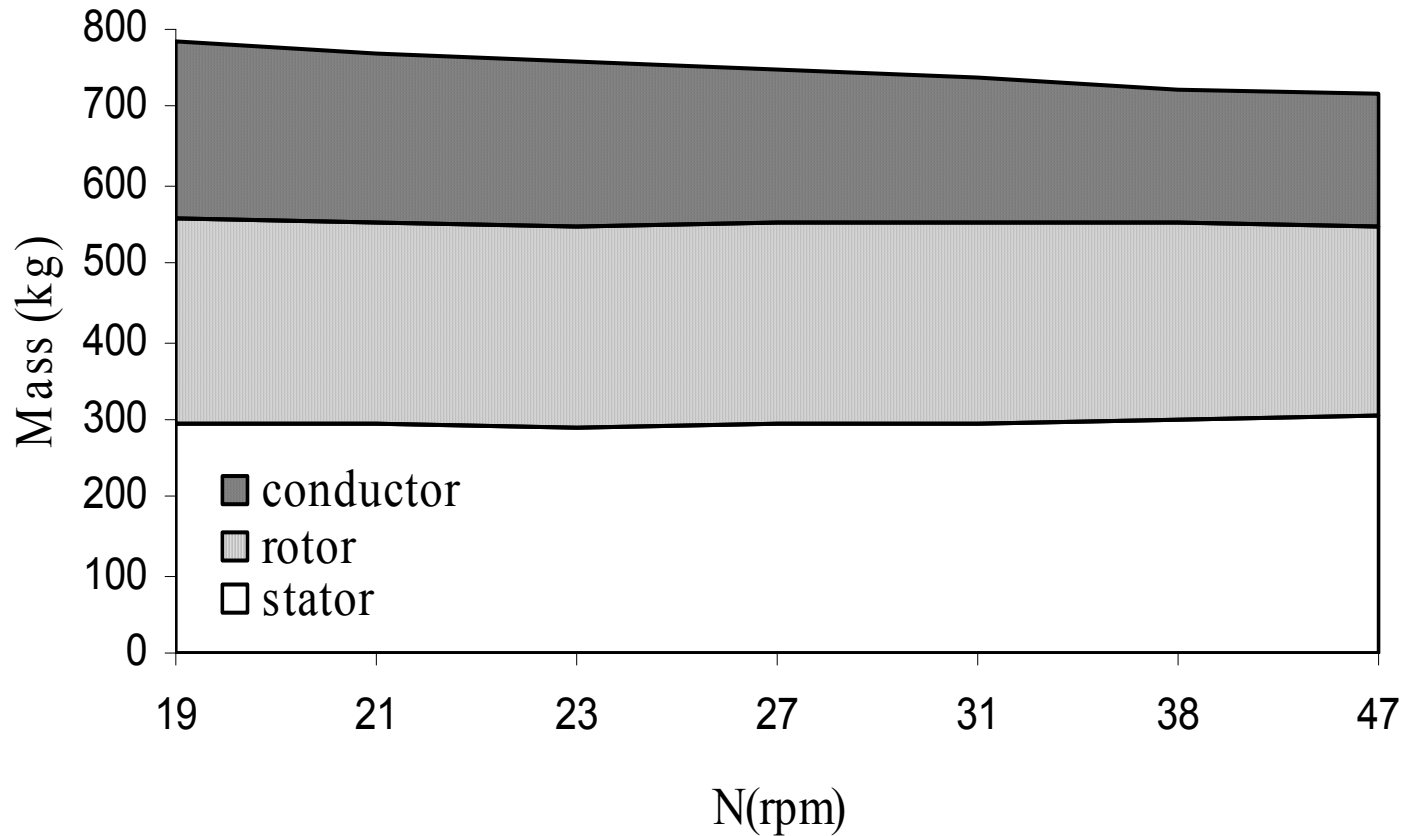
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# Results: Material weights (kg)



Total material weight: 780 - 715 kg

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# Demand Grid Connection

50/60 Hz Grid

Power (reactive and active) acceptance

Low losses

Low maintenance

Simple arrangement

Protection

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# Base unit



Single line diagram for base unit

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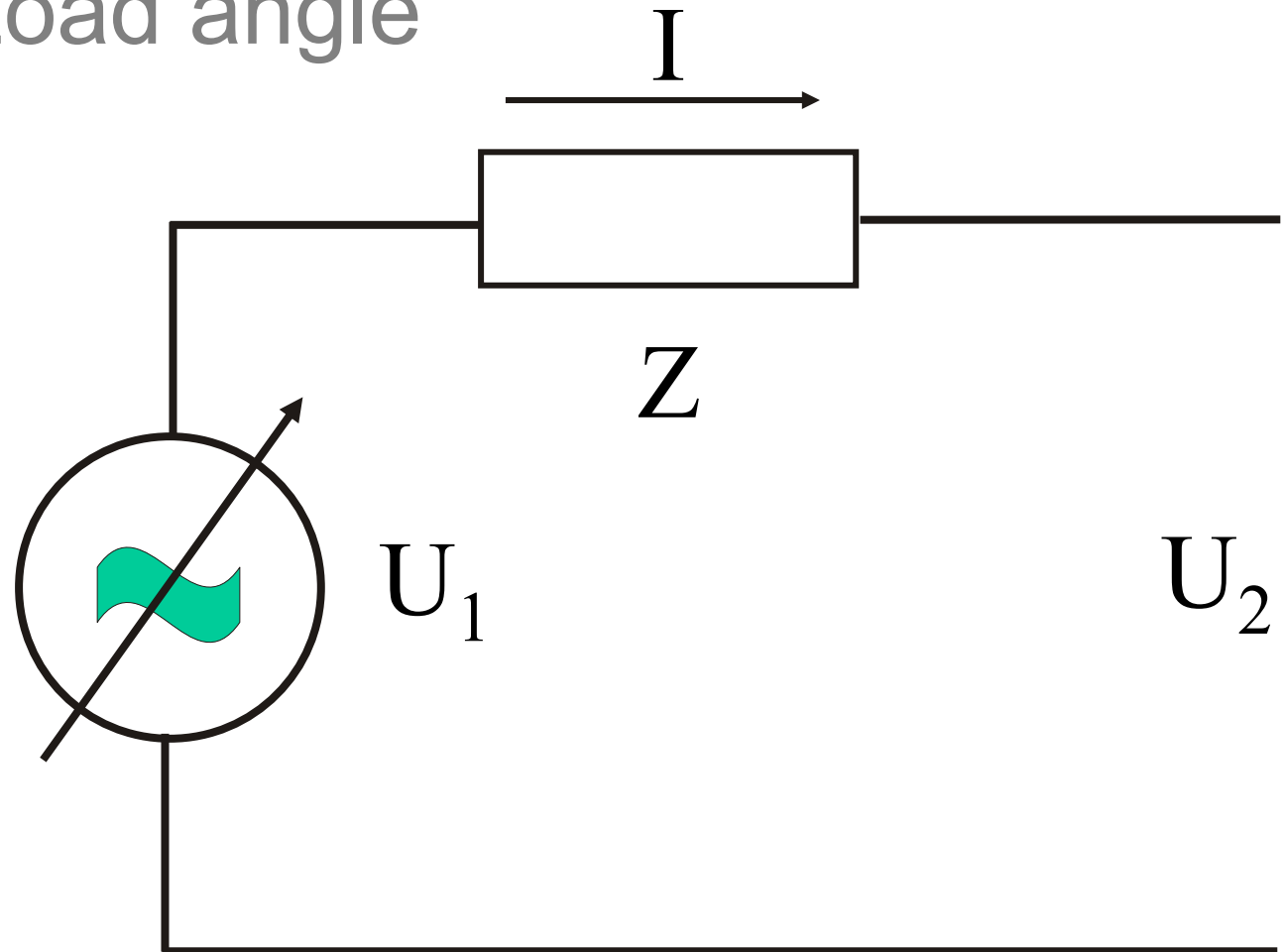
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# Load angle



Phase angle between no-load and load





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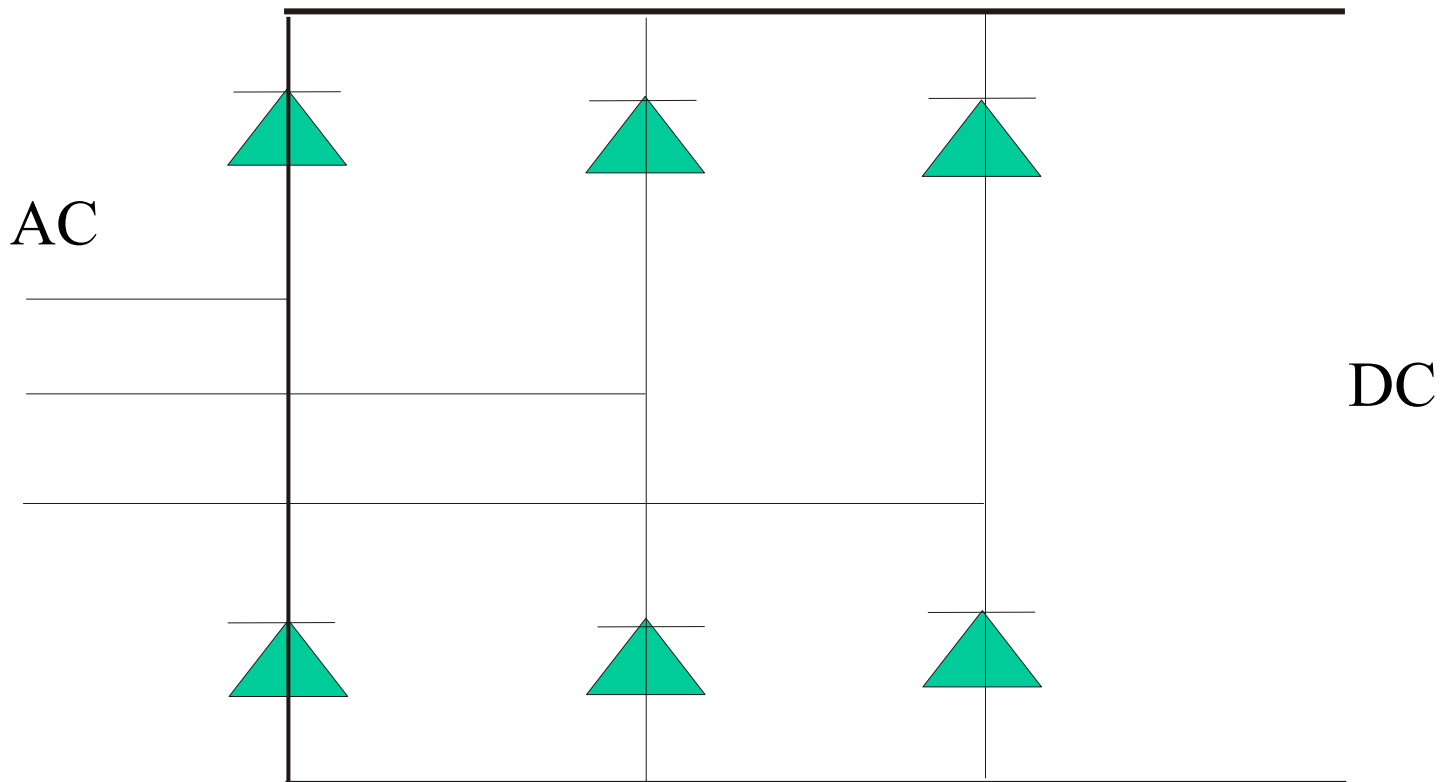
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# Diode Rectifier



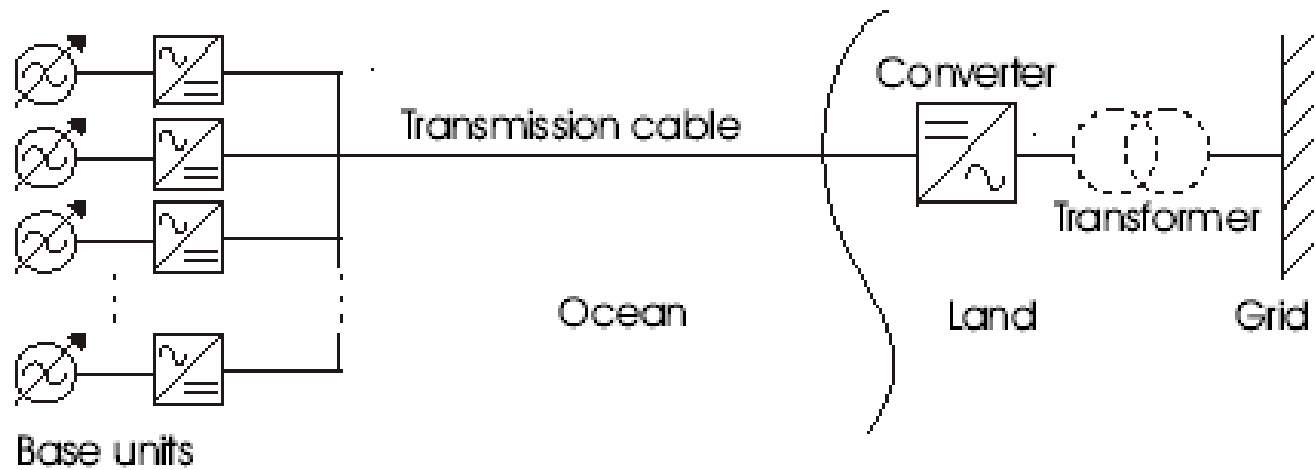
Low load angle gives possibility to use simple, low loss and low cost diodes



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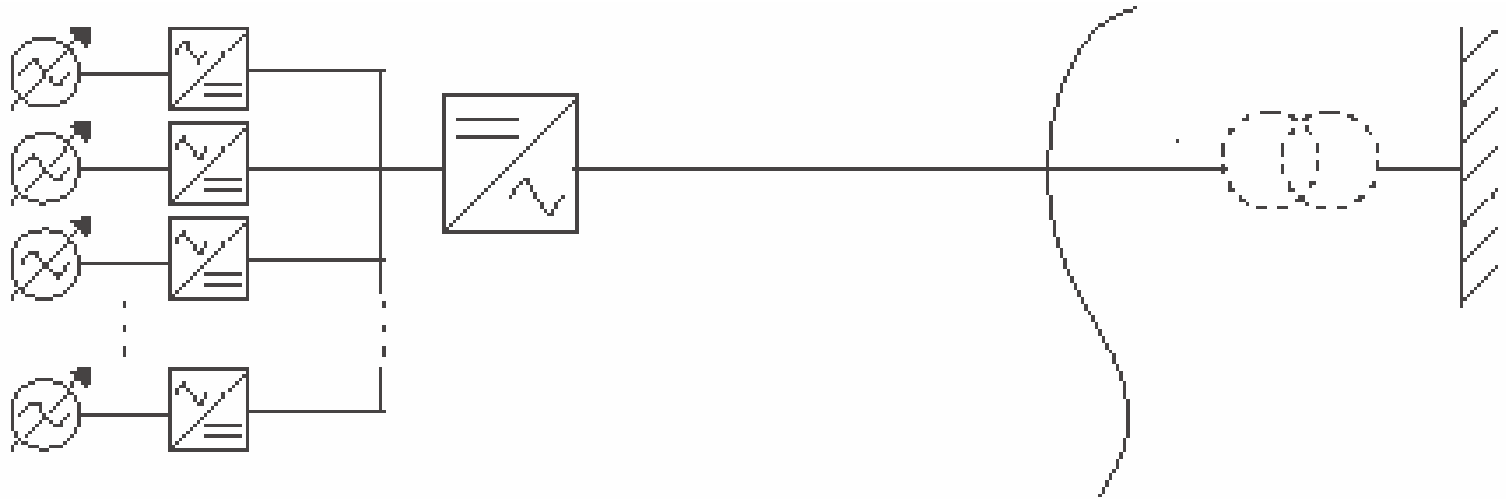
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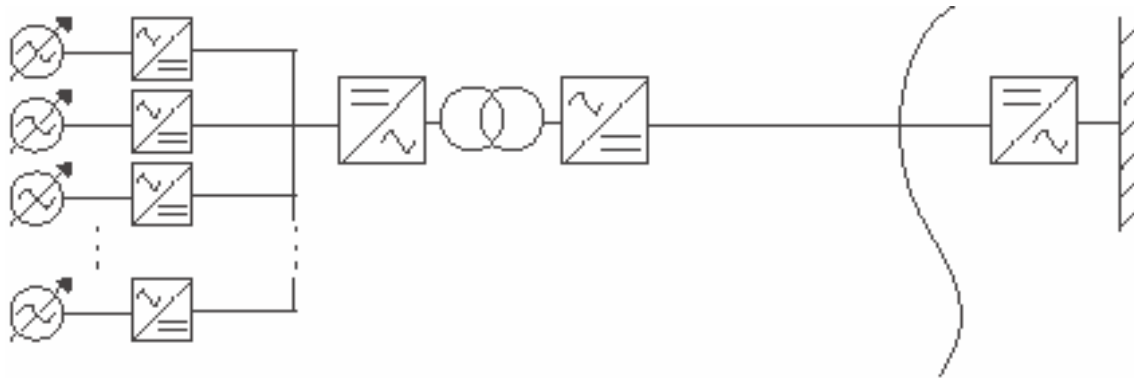
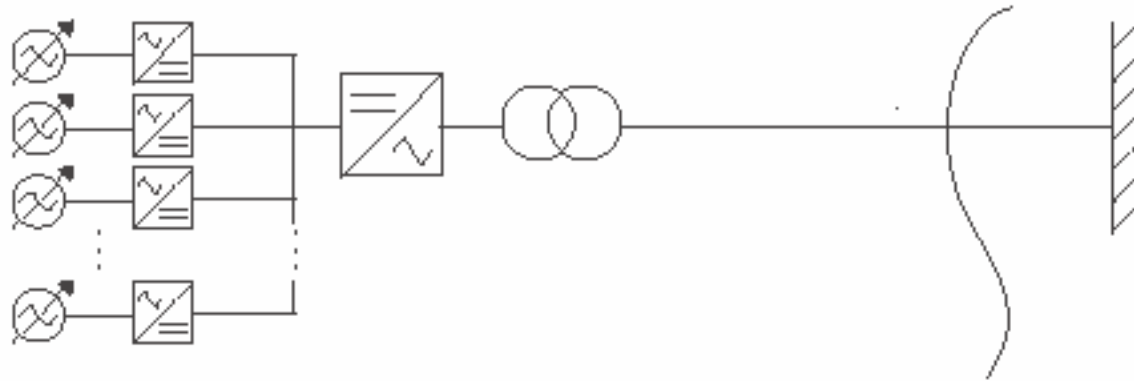
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# Possibilities – higher voltages



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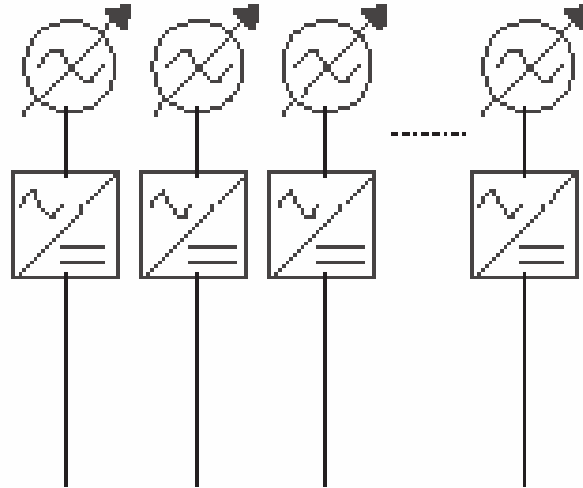
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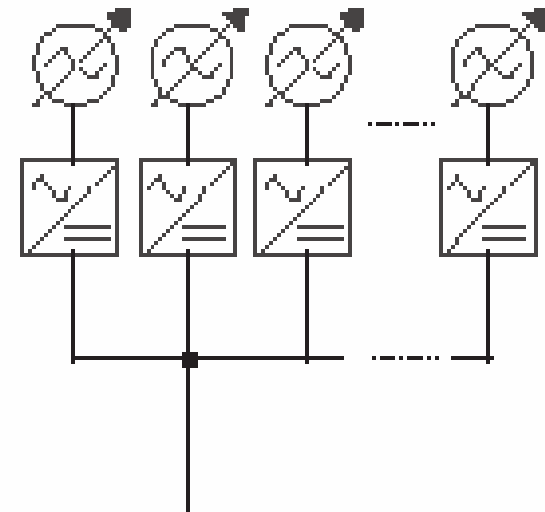
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# Reliability



High

Low



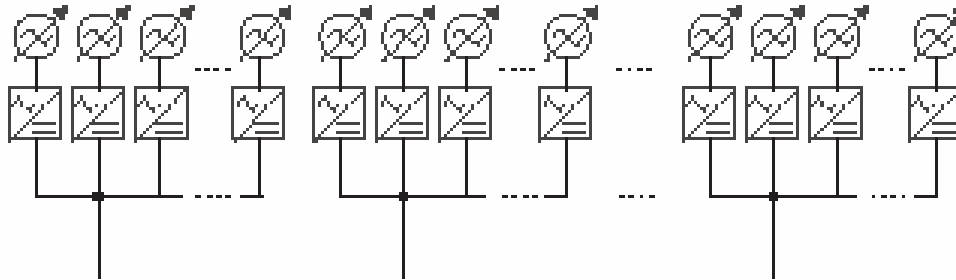




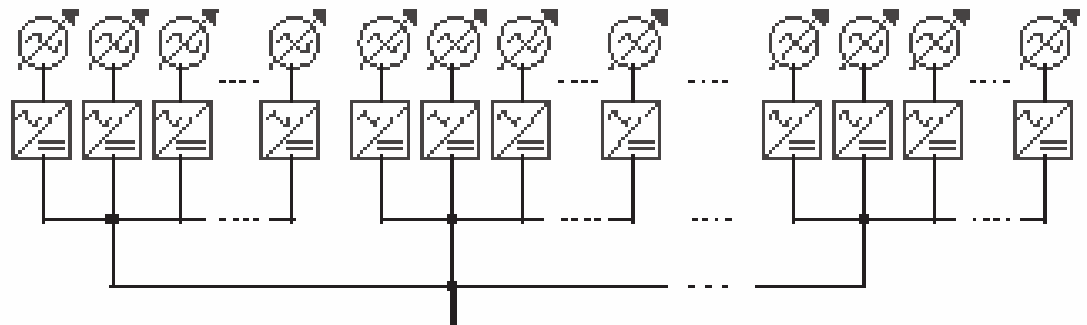
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# Combinations

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Cost/losses versus reliability....



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# Conclusion:

It is possible to design direct drive generator with an electromagnetic efficiency of at least 94% and connect it to grid.

**NOW, YOU KNOW HOW...**

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# Thank You for Your attention



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