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Development of a Underwater Gravity Energy Storage (UGES) concept for offshore applications.



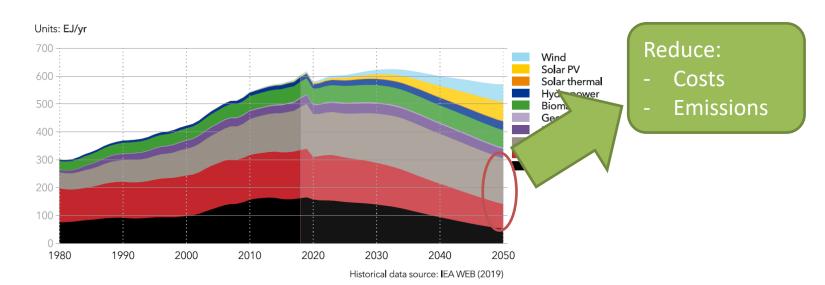
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Motivation







Motivation – High productivity fields



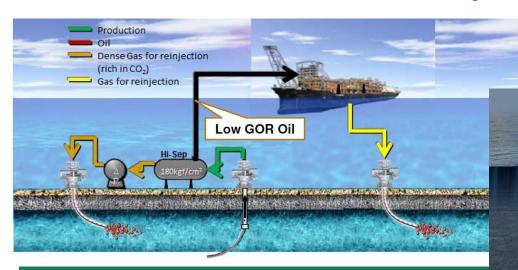


FPSO Capacity limited by:

- Deck space
- Power Generation (100MW)



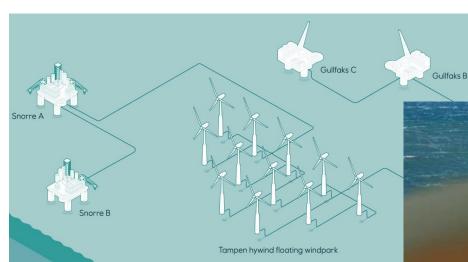
Motivation – Subsea processing



HiSep™ provides Gas Plant Debottlenecking and/or Future New Generation FPSOs with Less Complex Gas Processing Plants

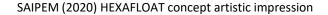


Motivation – Offshore renewables



Equinor (2019) - Hywind Tampen - Norwegian North Sea





Aims of the project

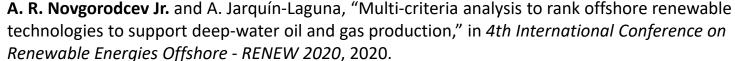
- Power a subsea system at Mero oil field:
 - Wanter Injection System (SWI)
 - Power Source
 - Energy Sotorage



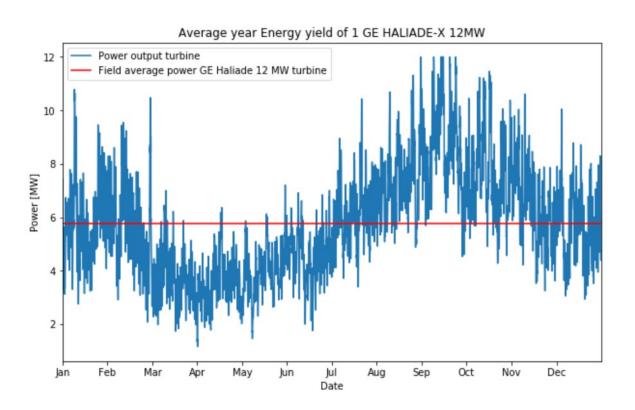


Power source selection (MCDA)



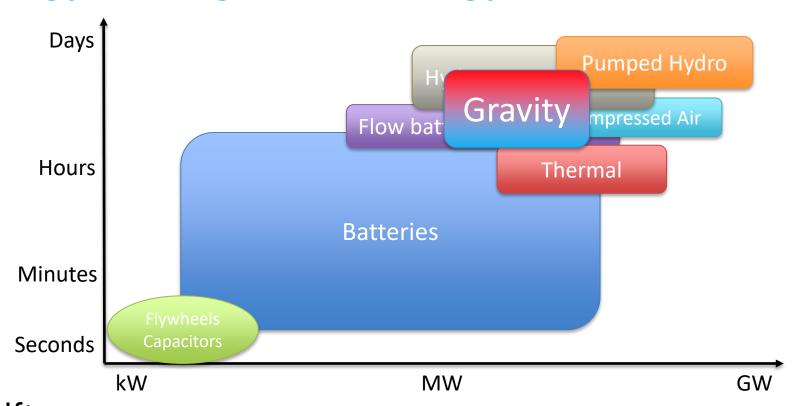


Wind power

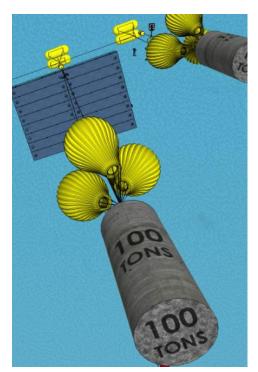


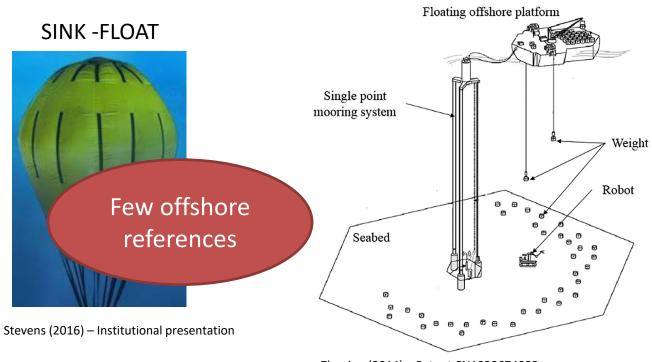


Energy storage technology



Gravitational Energy Storage







Zhenjun (2014) – Patent CN103867409B

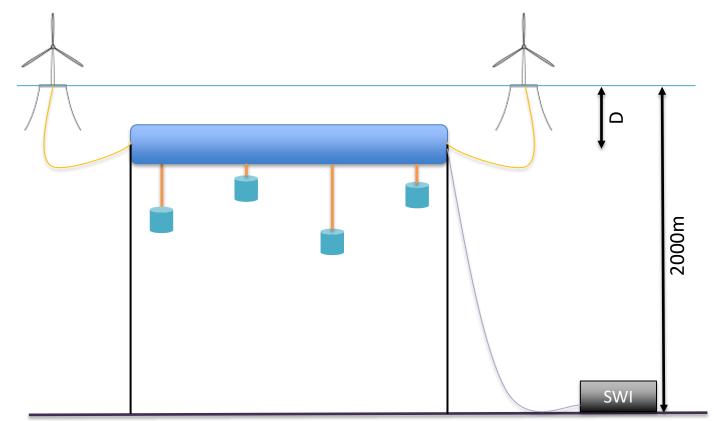
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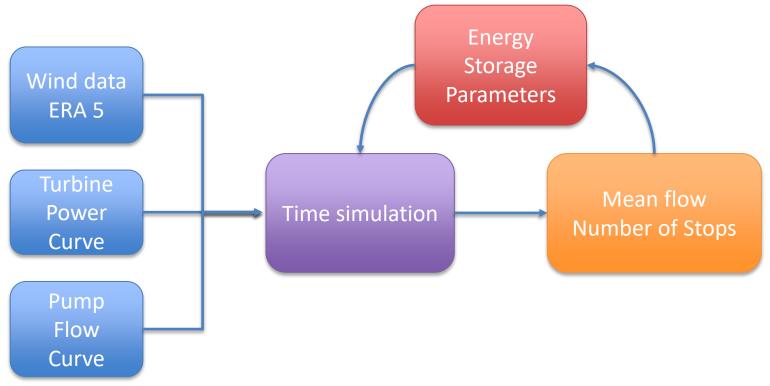
Underwater Gravity Energy Storage (UGES)*



*Out of scale



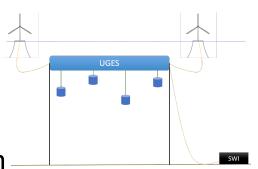
UGES – Dimensioning

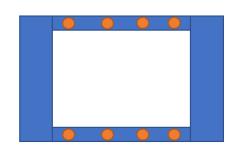




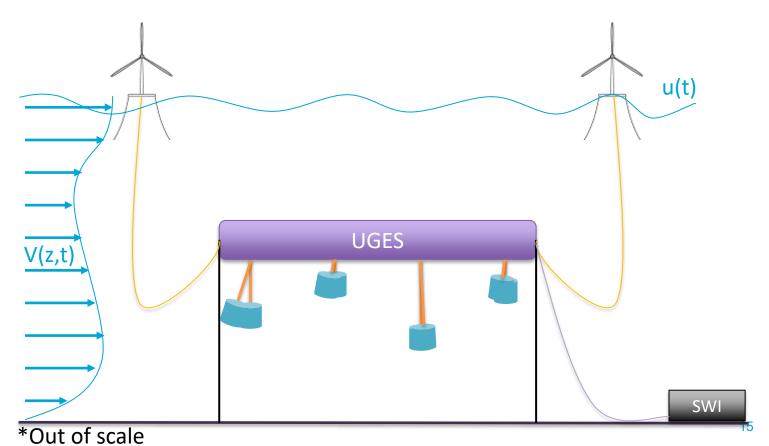
UGES – Preliminary system sizing

- Support structure:
 - 55 X 40 m
- Weights
 - 8 x concrete cylinders r = 2.5 m H = 10 m
 - 474 tones each
- Working Parameters
 - Maximum Speed: 1 m/s
 - Maximum power: 4.64 MW
 - Total energy stored 10.3 MWhr
 - Full power discharge time 4h26min



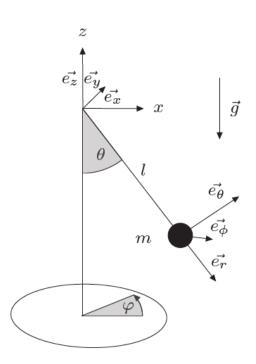


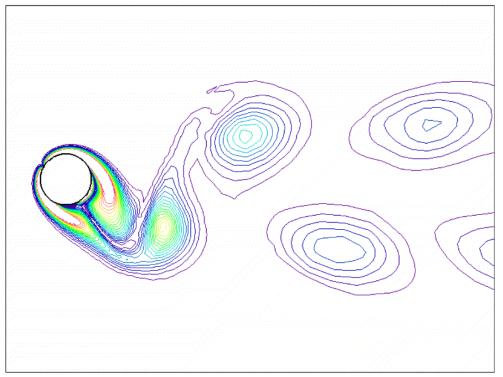
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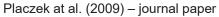




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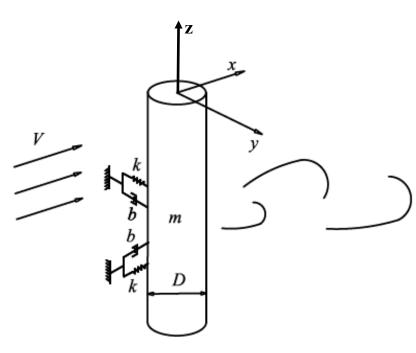






Numerical model

- Semi-analytical model based on Yang Qu (2019);
- Couple cross-flow and inline vortex-induced vibrations (VIV) → Nonlinear
- Implemented and solved on commercial software's.



Adapted from Yang Qu (2019) - Thesis



Next steps

- Validate the model
- Evaluate the effect of waves and elasticity of the cable
- Evaluate the sincronization effect



Concluding

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