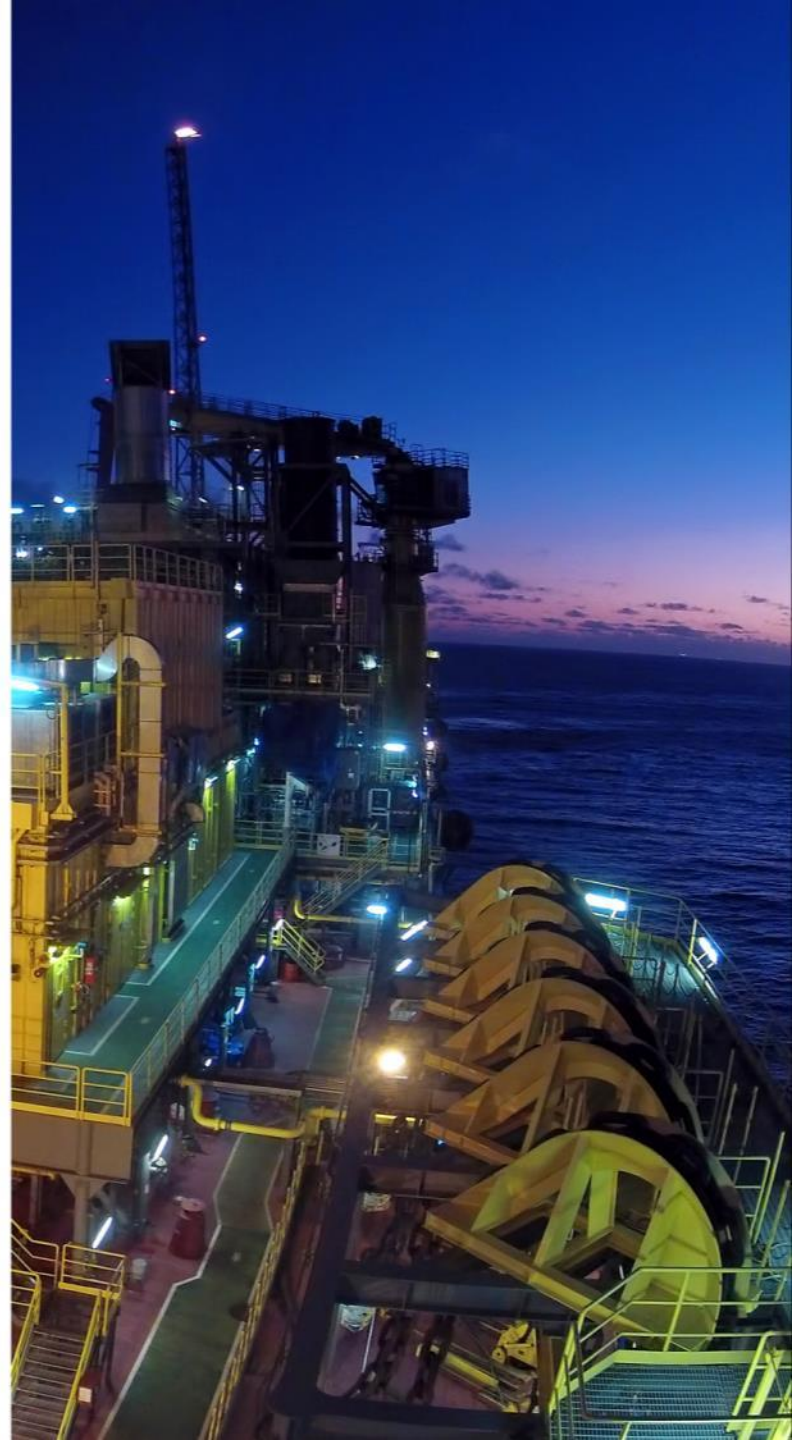




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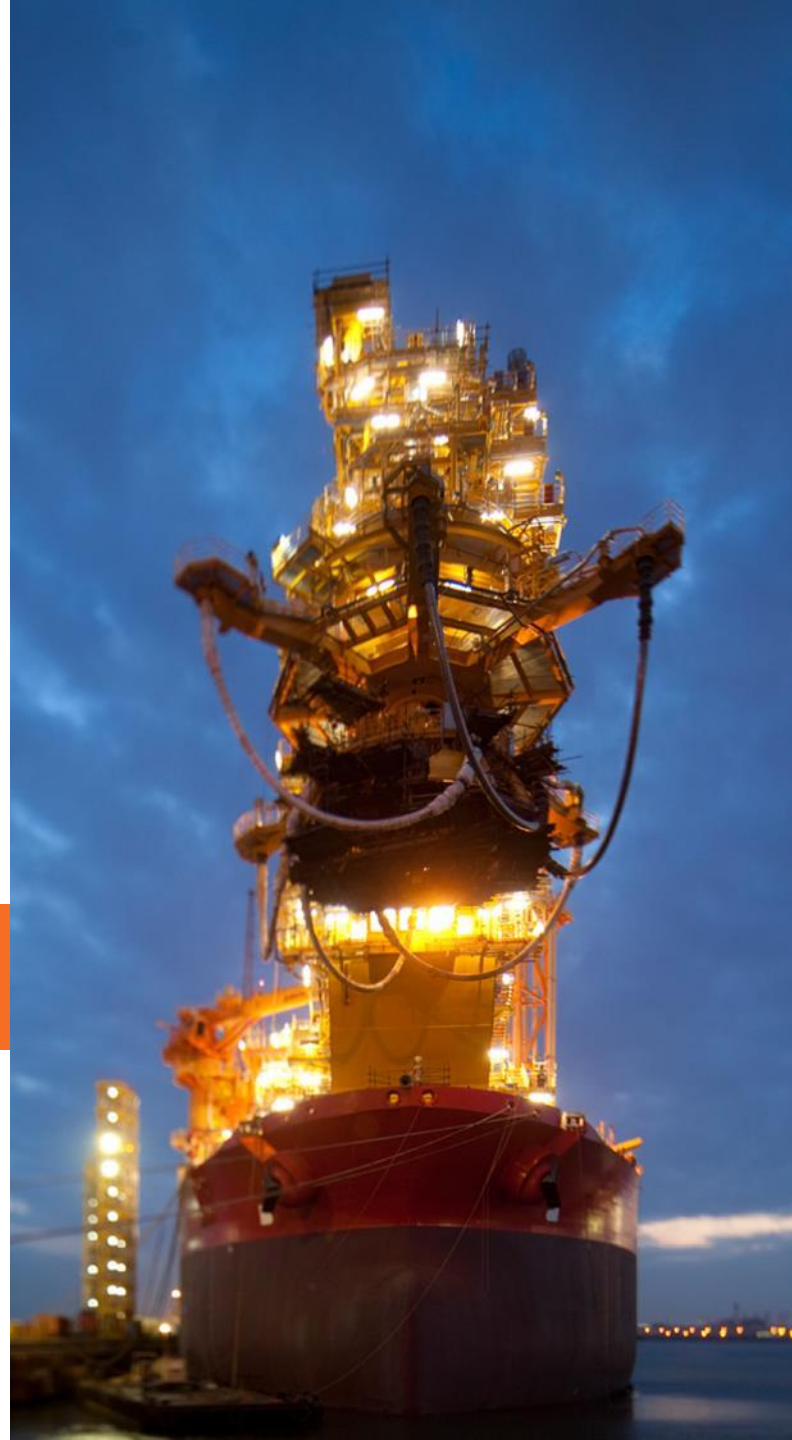


# **GDR houlomoteur SBM S3**

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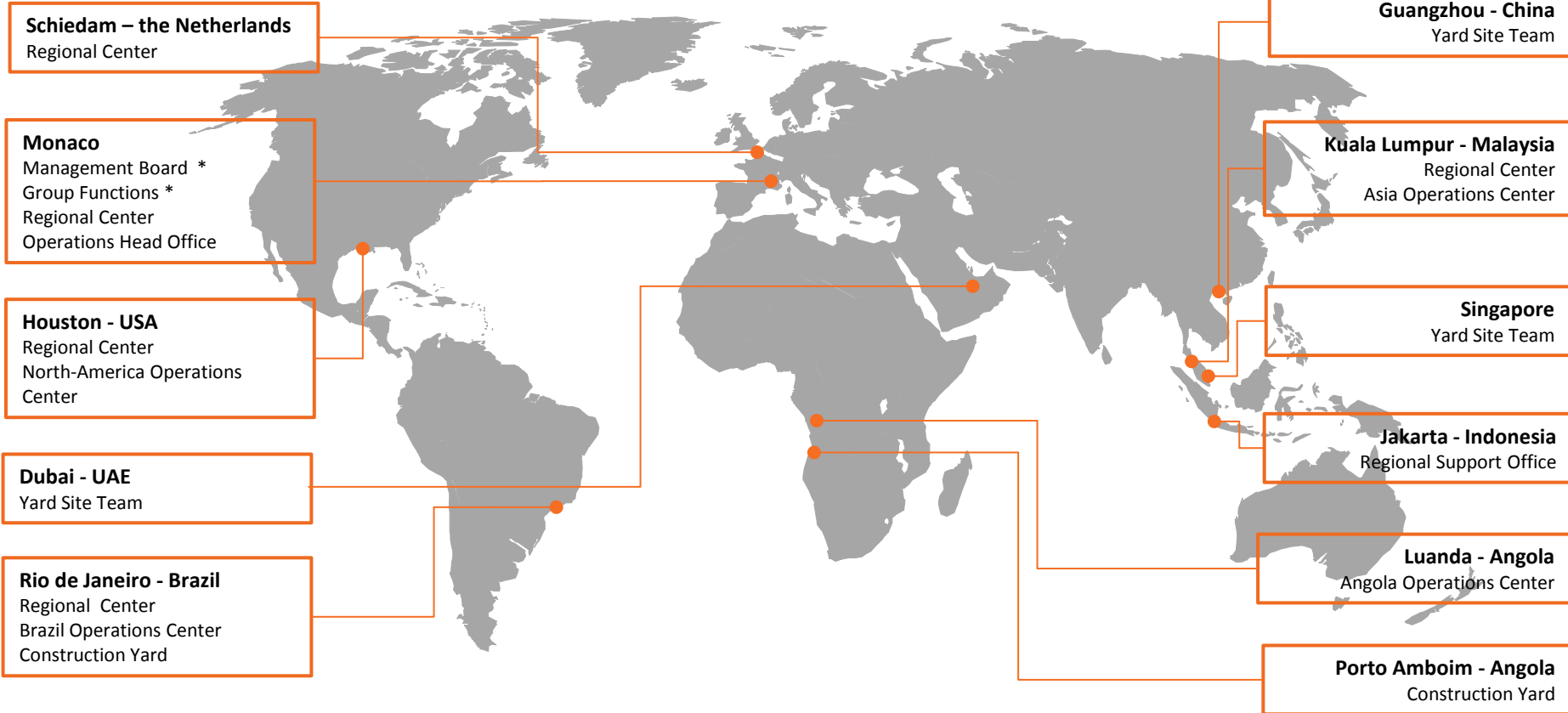


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## SBM offices around the World



\*: SBM Head Office to be based in Amsterdam (Netherlands) as of Q3-2015

Listed on the Amsterdam Stock Exchange  
Over 7,500 people worldwide

Not shown: 10 shore bases



## TECHNOLOGY

## PROJECT EXECUTION

## OPERATIONS

## FINANCE & LEASE

### Focus on top-end segment

- FPSOs
- Turret Moorings
- Turnkey Sale or Lease & Operate



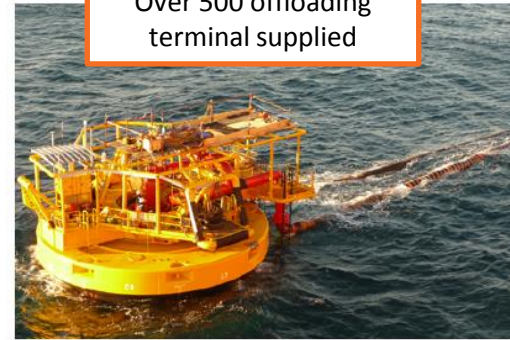
### Enlarging the envelope

- Floating LNG (FLNG)
- Semisubmersible & TLP production units
- Marine Renewables (MC, since 2006)

Leader in Floaters & Mooring systems



Over 500 offloading terminal supplied



Over 50 mooring systems supplied



> 250 years cumulated experience



19 leased units operated by SBM



\$ 3.4B turnover in 2014



### SBM Vision

To be the trusted partner of choice in the development of complete offshore floating solutions for the world's energy companies



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# SBM Offshore – A History of Innovation

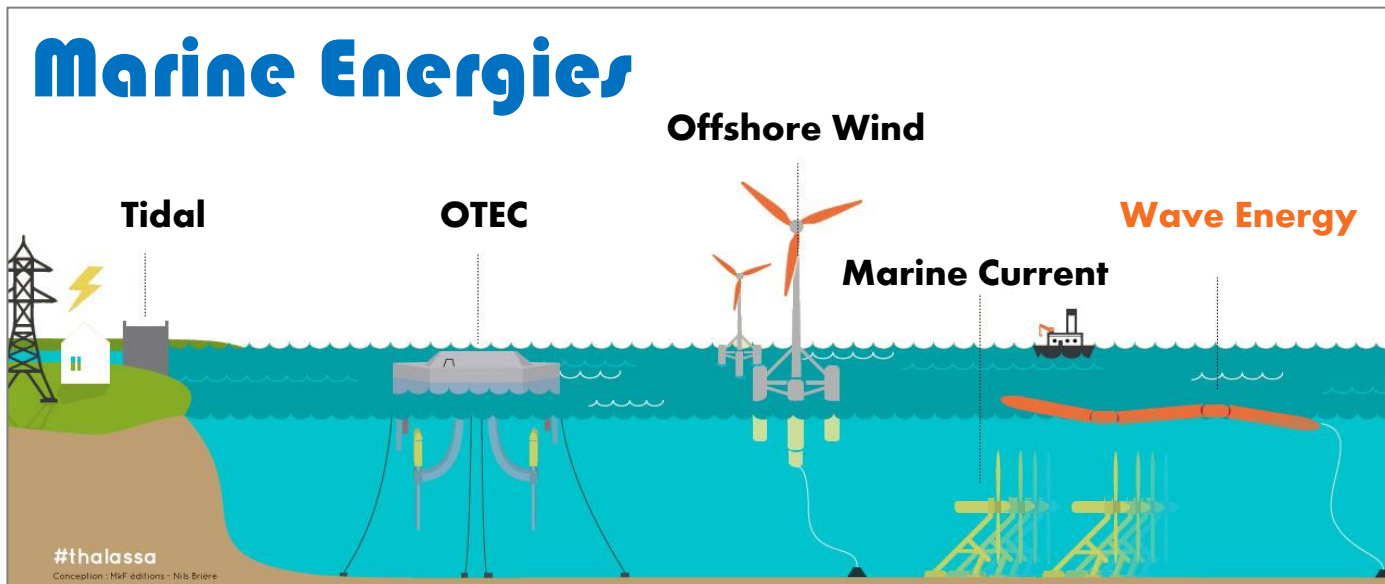
1862	1905	1959	1960	1969	1972	1973	1974	1977	1978
A.F. Smulders Machine Factory	Start of Gusto Shipyard	CALM Buoy*	Drilling Jack-up*	SBM Inc. established in Switzerland	DP Drillship*	SBS Mooring System*	Semi-submersible pipelay vessel*	SALS Mooring System*	Start of Gusto Engineering
1981	1985	1985	1986	1988	1990	1993	1996	1999	2001
Leased FPSO*	Jacket Soft Yoke*	External Turret*	Disconnectable Turret*	MSC re-joined the Group	Acquisition of Imodco	North Sea Internal Turret*	Turnkey North Sea FPSO*	Deepwater CALM Buoy*	Acquisition of Atlantia
2002	2002	2003	2005	2005	2006	2006	2006	2007	2007
Delivery of the first generic FPSO	Acquisition of Ocean Design Associates Inc.	Delivery of the largest Seastar* TLP	Company name change to SBM Offshore N.V.	New Build LPG FPSO*	Leased MOPU*	Deepest Semi- Submersible in the GoM* ■	Offshore Offloading Line : Trelline*™ Installed*	GAP™ mid water Fluid Transfer System*	Largest Internal Turret with 75 risers ■
2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2012	2013	2013	2014	
First DeepDraft Semi* with PHA contract	First turret-moored FPSO using steel catenary risers	First FPSO with over 65% Brazilian content*	COOL™ LNG Transfer System*	Company rebranding	HV-AC Electric Swivel rated at 65KV and 150 MW*	VHP Swivel rated at over 800 bar*	Deepest FPSO ■		

■ World Record

\* Industry First



- Renewable energy is currently moving offshore
  - Offshore wind market in 2015 > \$15Bn
  - New energy sources available:



Source: France 3 website

- This creates opportunities for offshore contractors as these projects require strong offshore experience





# Wave Energy

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## State of the art and Generation 1 devices





# Wave Energy – Generation 1 devices

**Attenuator**



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**Oscillating Surge**



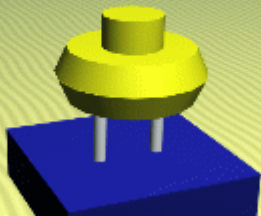
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**Point Absorber**



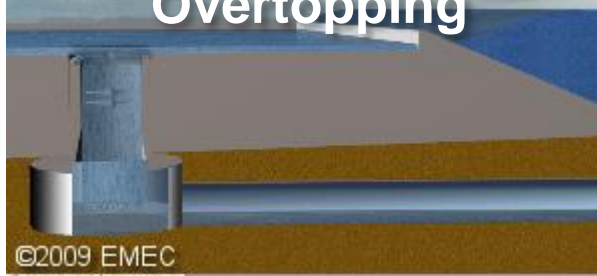
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**Pressure Differential**



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**SBM has been involved in Wave Energy since 2006**

**Capitalizing on its offshore expertise**

**CALM = point absorber**

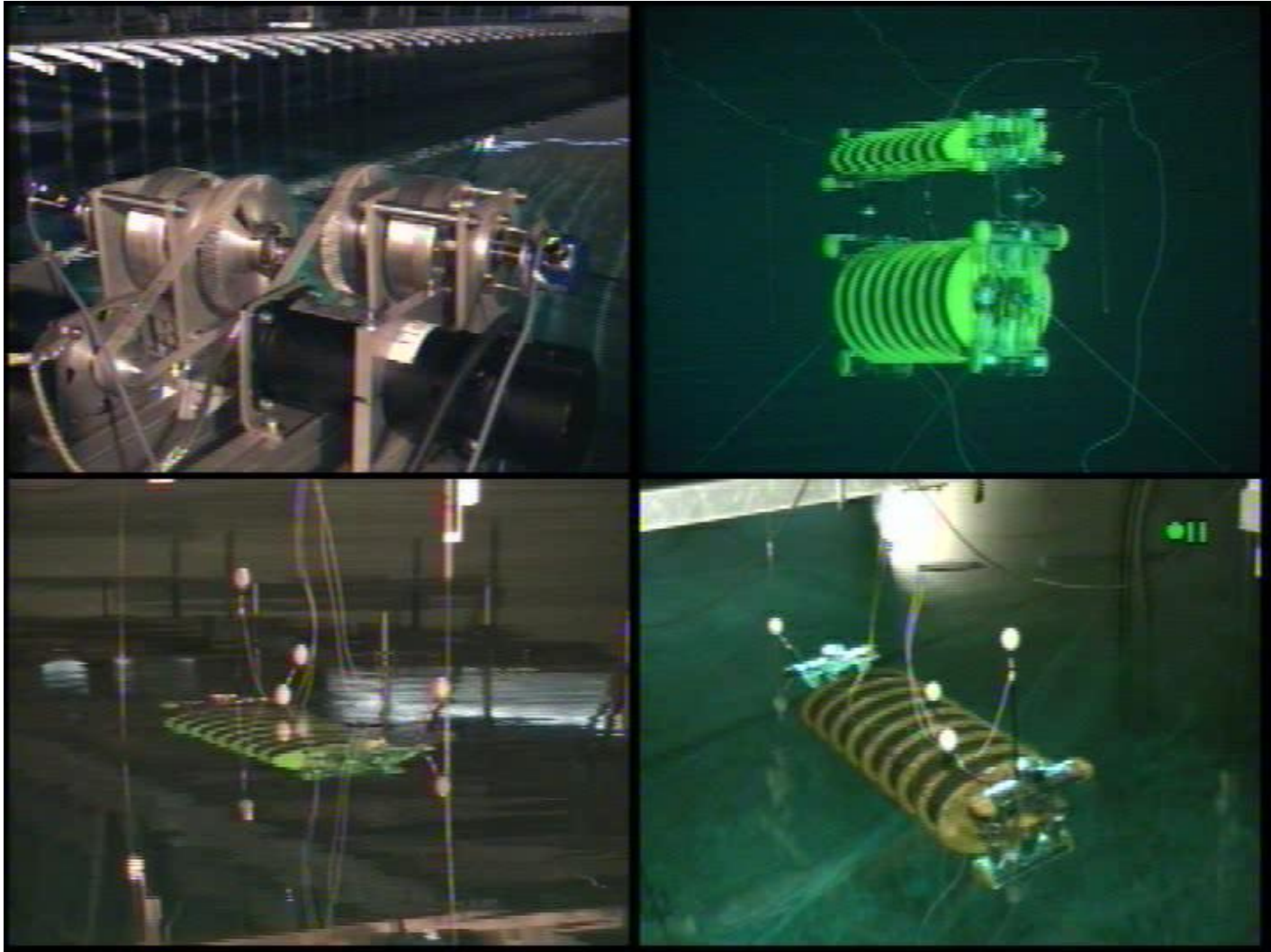


**CALM Buoy SBM Offshore**



# Wave Energy – Generation 1 devices

## SBM first WEC: Diodon

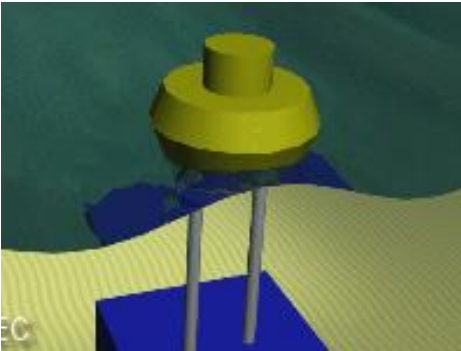




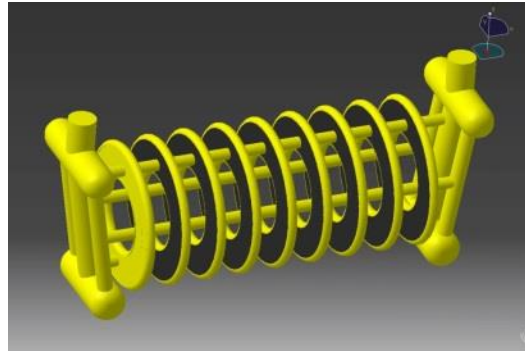
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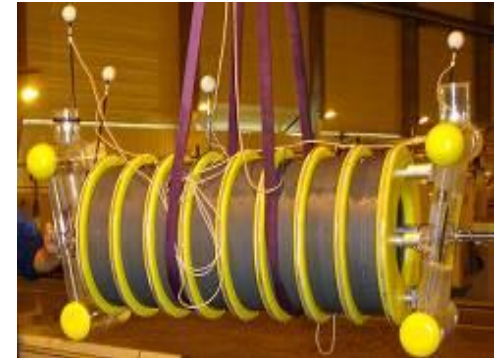
2008



SBM capitalizes on its know-how in floater and mooring EPCI  
CALM = point absorber



DIODON developed by SBM  
More efficient technology but still conventional (rigid) system



Wave tank test (operational / survival)  
DIODON Abandoned

## Rigid systems are inherently limited

- ✘ High structural costs
- ✘ Load path concentration on Power Take-Off elements
- ✘ Mechanical Power Take-Off → costly O&M
- ✘ Optimized for 1 wave period

**TRUE FOR ALL  
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## Attenuator



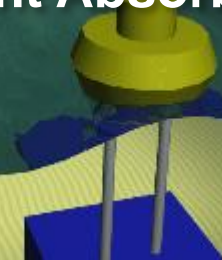
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## Oscillating Surge



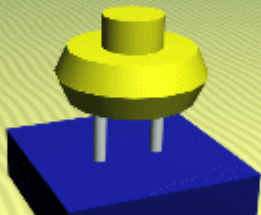
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## Point Absorber



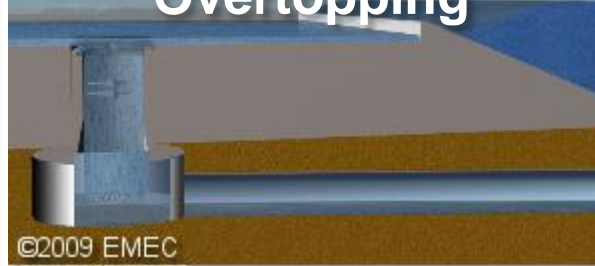
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## Pressure Differential



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# SBM S3 WEC

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## A Paradigm shift

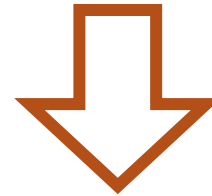


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## Conventional (rigid) systems are inherently limited

- ✘ High structural costs
- ✘ Energy / stress concentration on Power Take-Off elements
- ✘ Mechanical Power Take-Off → costly O&M
- ✘ Narrow & fixed absorption bandwidth



## Breakthrough technology required

- ☐ Merged power conversion function and hull structure
- ☐ No complex mechanical parts
- ☐ No routine maintenance
- ☐ Flexible and silent
- ☐ Large absorption bandwidth



# SBM S3 WEC – A Paradigm shift

## SBM S3 CONCEPT:

Fully flexible tube filled with water, closed at both ends

→ Multimodal response (standing waves)

Energy conversion system = Electro-Active Polymers (EAP)

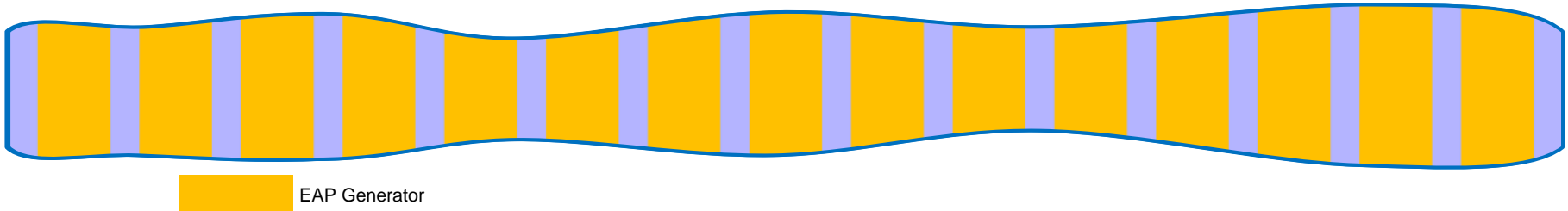
EAP-based PTO embedded in the structure

Energy converted DIRECTLY from waves to electricity

Distributed power generation

EAP = roll-to-roll process

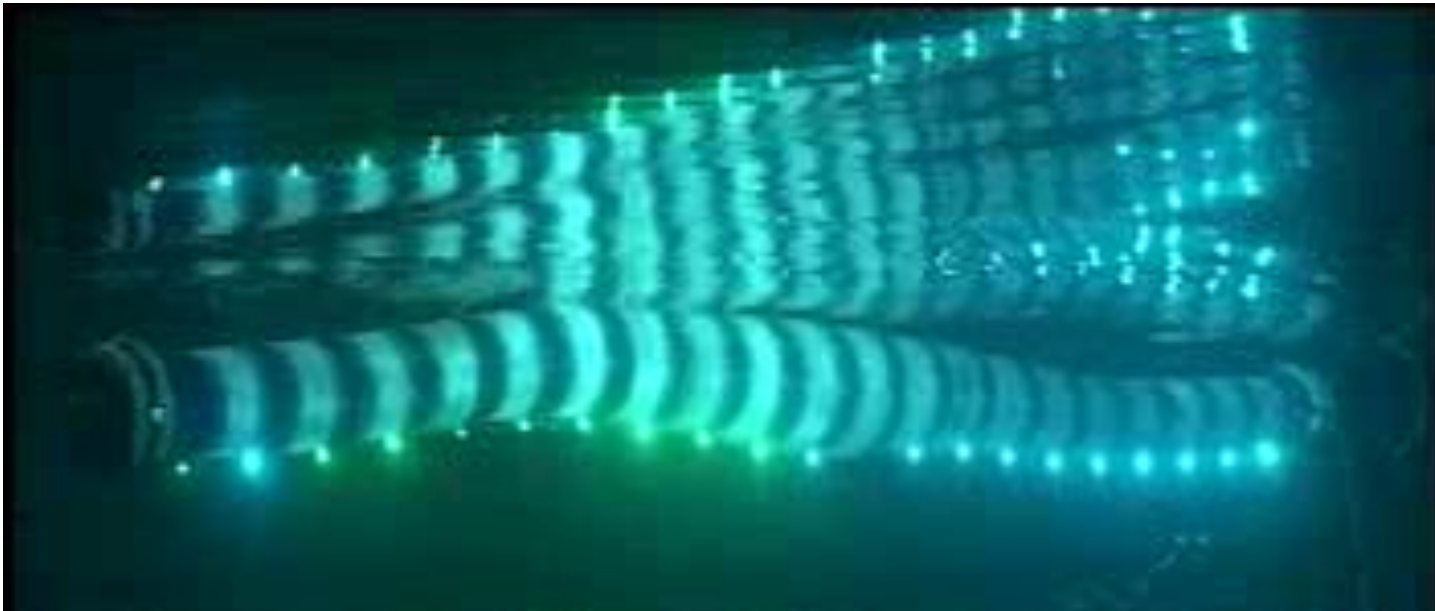
S3 test campaign, ACRI IN, 2010







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- ✓ Large absorption bandwidth



S3 test campaign, ECN, 2011



# EAP

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## Introduction

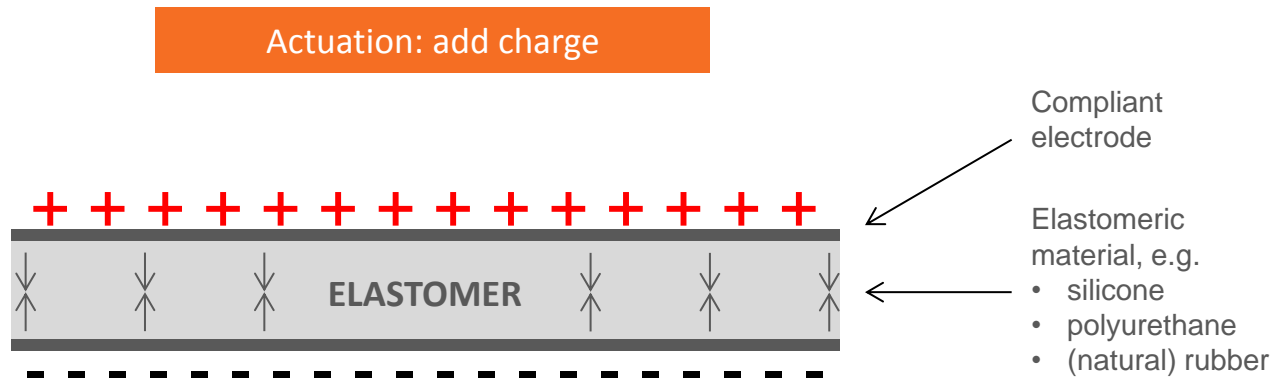




# ELECTROACTIVE POLYMERS

## What is an electroactive polymer?

- Classified as smart material  
“a designed material that significantly changes some of its properties in response to external stimuli”
- Physical basis:



Maxwell Pressure: electromechanical energy conversion



# ELECTROACTIVE POLYMERS

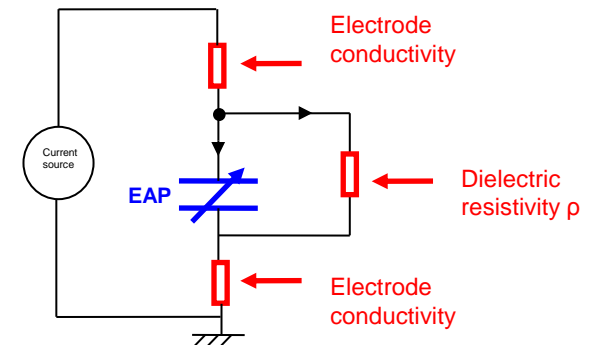
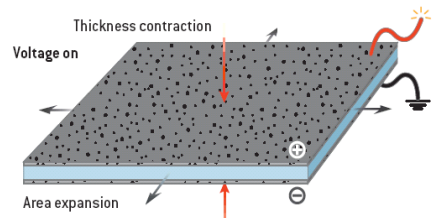
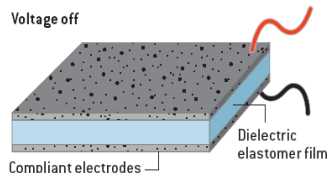
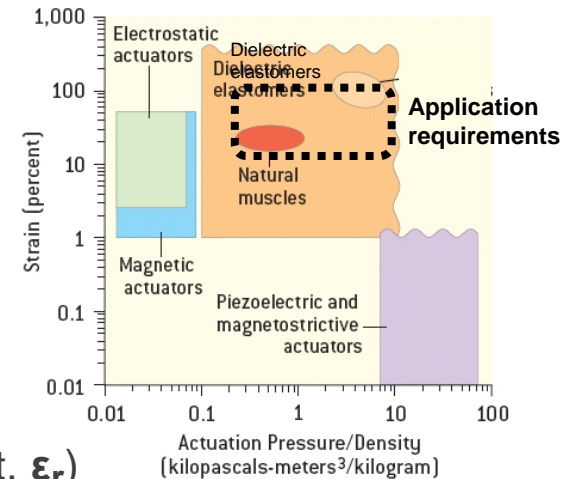
## What is an electroactive polymer?

### ■ EAP films are **electrostatic energy transducers**

- Able to convert mechanical energy into electric energy
- Passive materials
- Soft and stretchable
- High energy density

### ■ Good EAP = good capacitor

- Ability to handle high electric field stress (high Dielectric Breakdown Strength, **DBS**)
- Ability to accumulate charges (high dielectric constant,  $\epsilon_r$ )
- Ability to keep charges (high resistivity,  $\rho$ )
- Ability to be deformed (**compliant** electrodes, low elastic modulus **Y**)





# ELECTROACTIVE POLYMERS

## Advantages and applications

- Main advantages:
  - Monolithic structures
  - Soft and flexible
  - Biocompatible
  - Actuation, generation, sensing: seamlessly and simultaneously

Robotics

Biomedical

Automotive

Entertainment

Drives & Controls



Artificial muscles & (bio-mimetic) robotics



StretchSense flexible sensors



Active Vibration Damping





# EAP

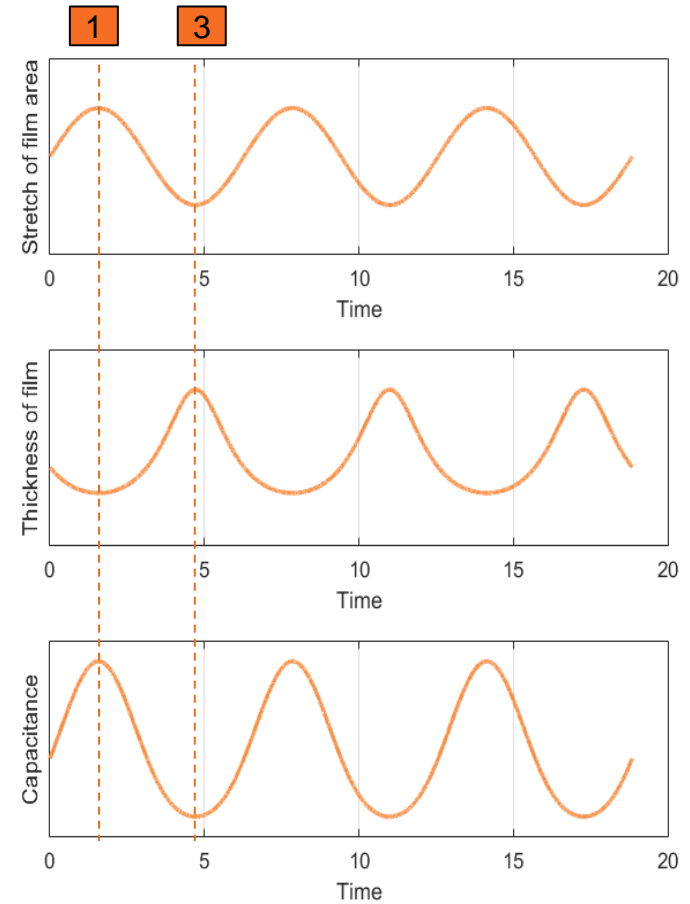
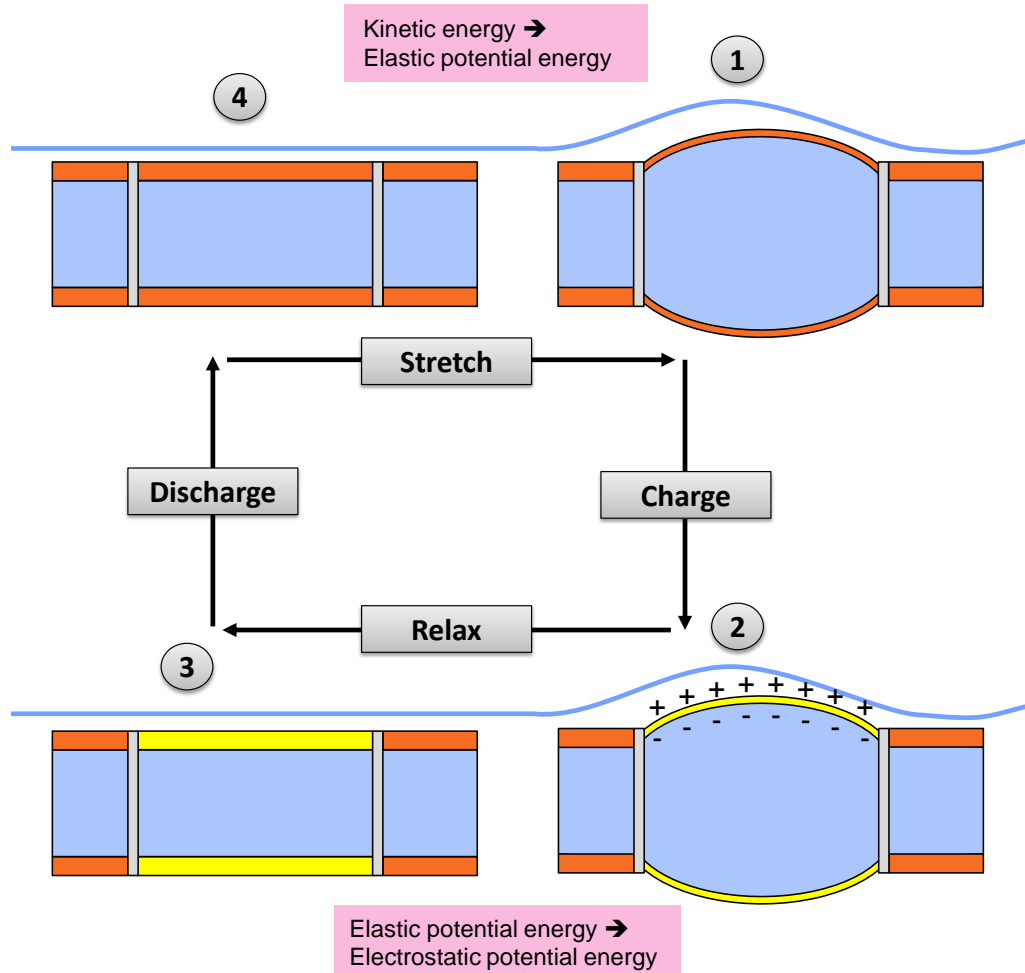
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## Application to S3





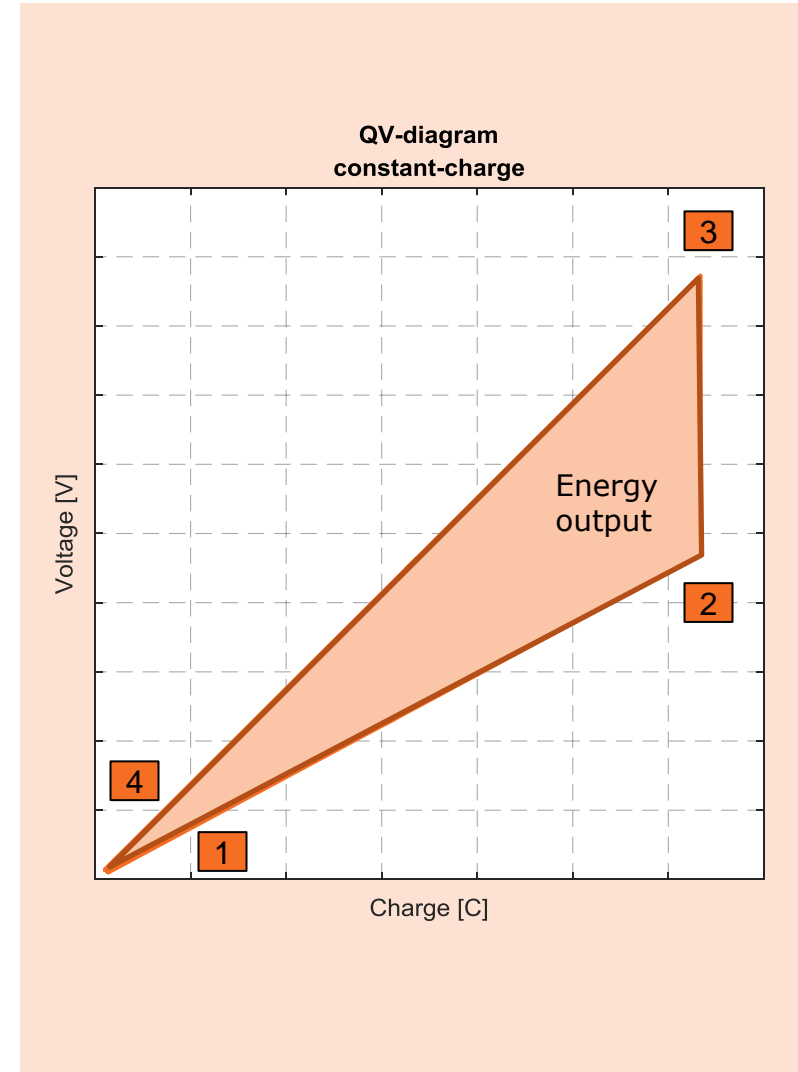
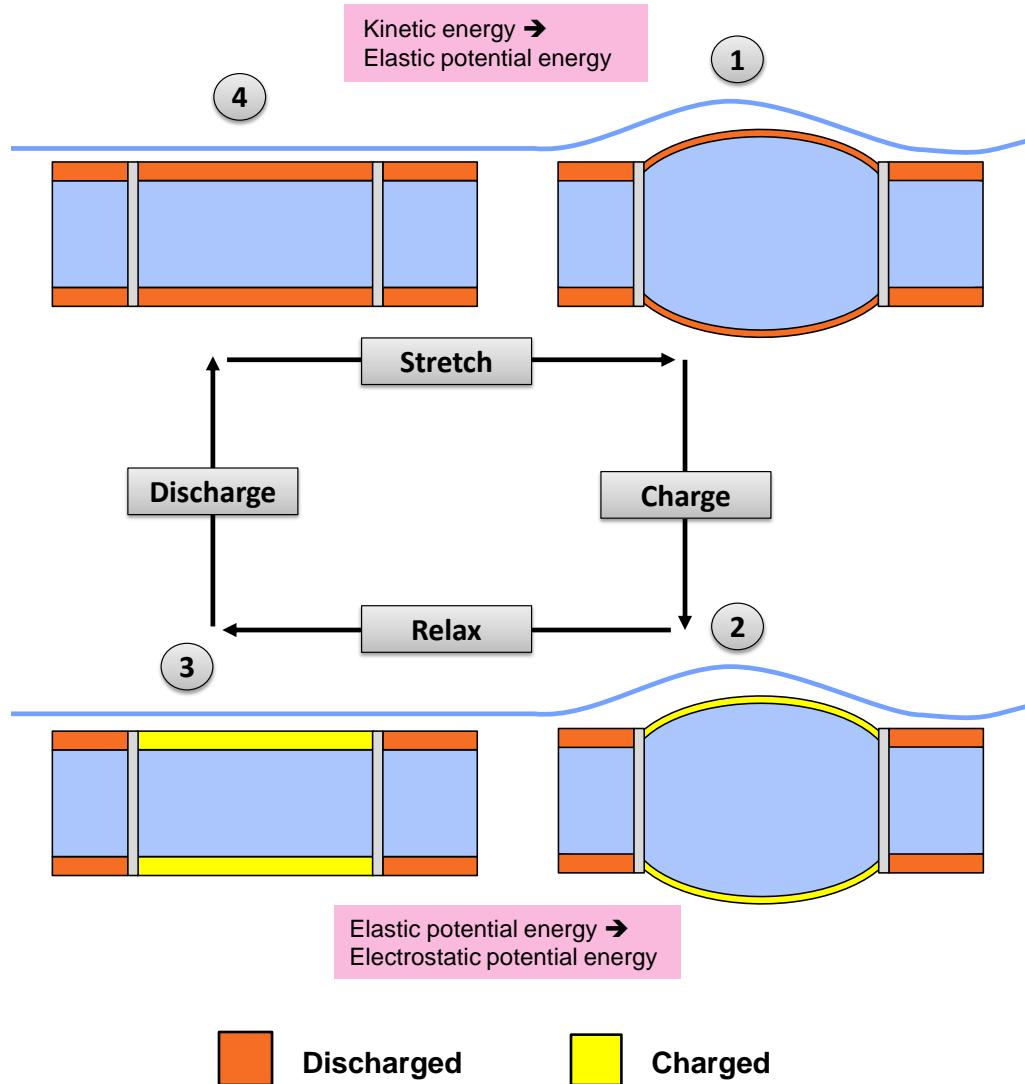
# ELECTROACTIVE POLYMERS Application to S3 WEC





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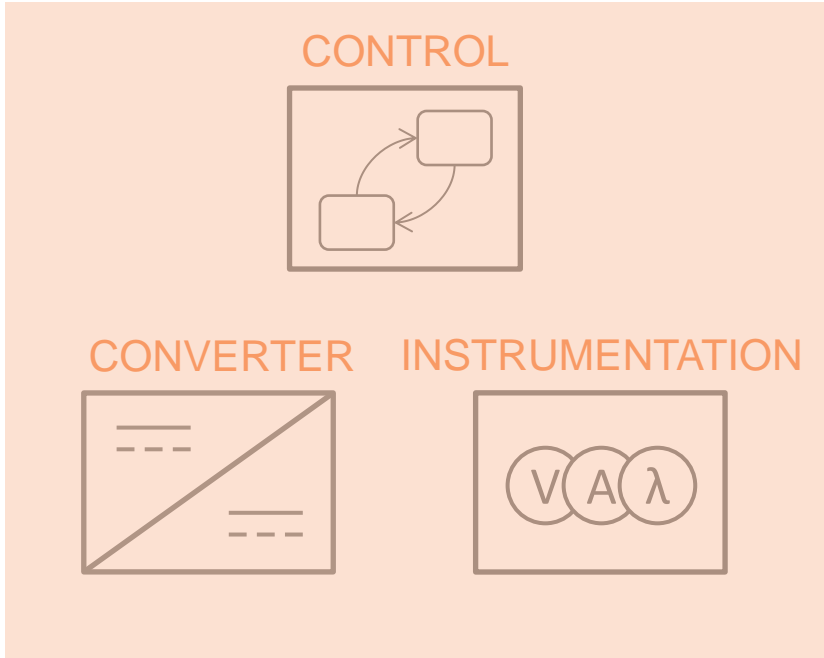
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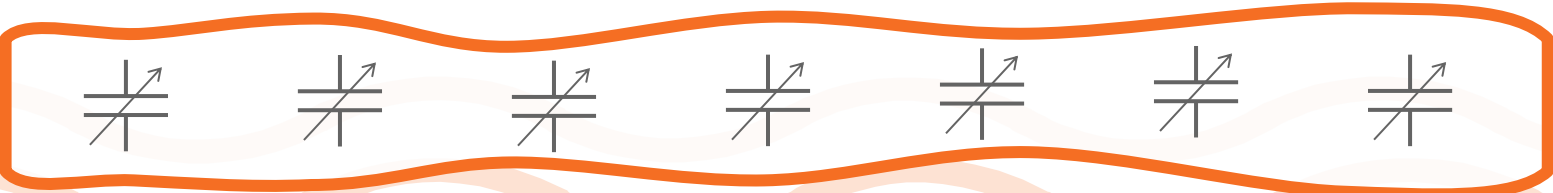
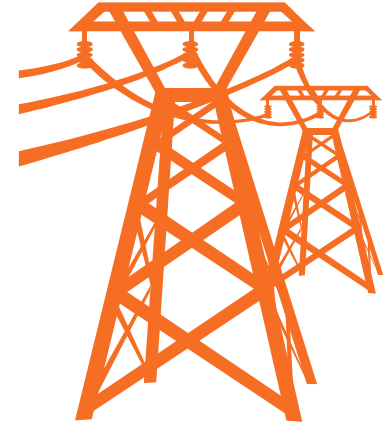
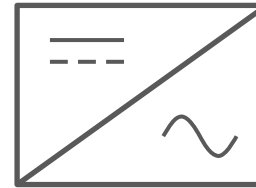




### S3 Harvesting System



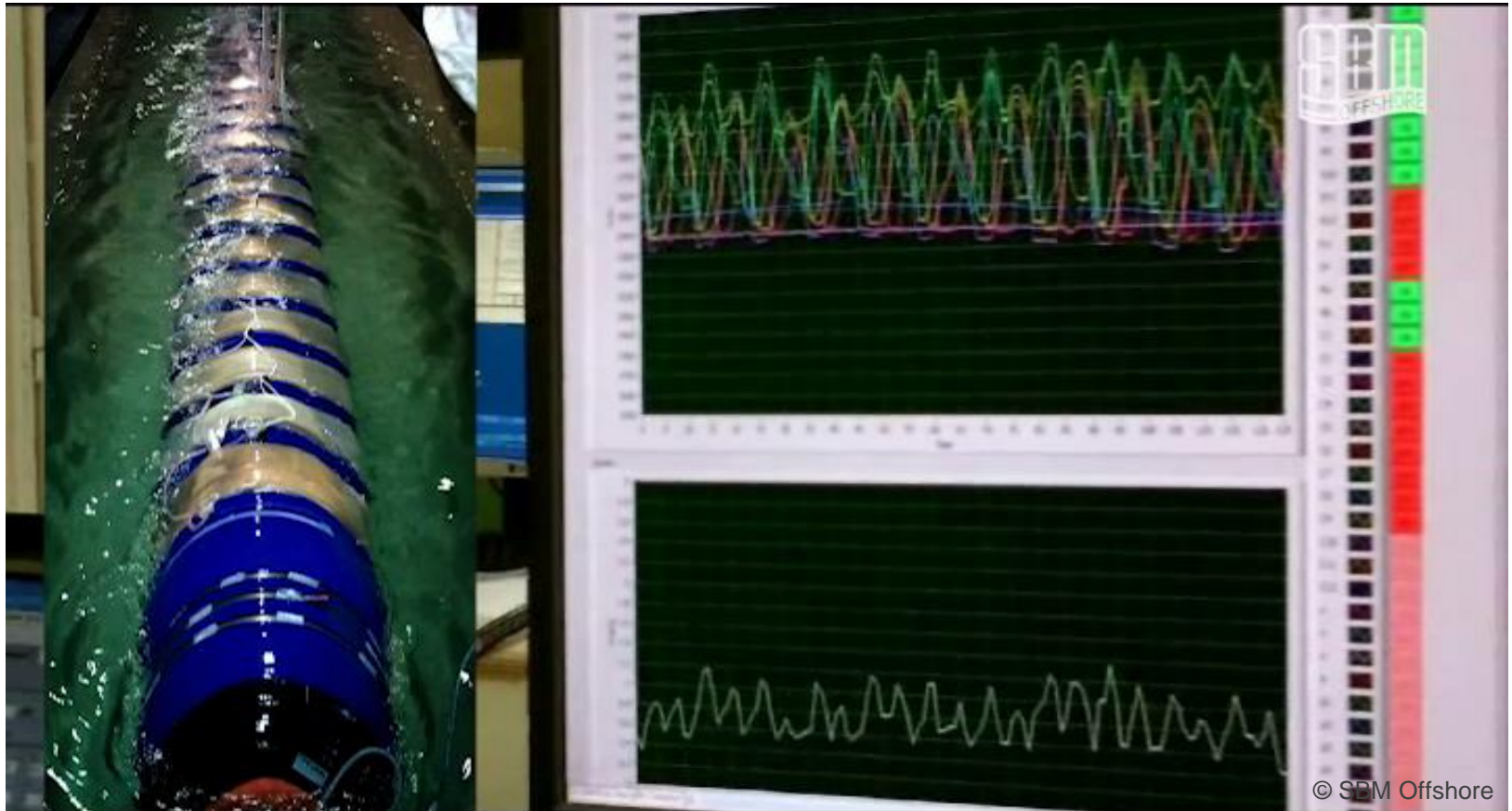
### GRID INTERFACE





- World first energy production with a realistically moored flexible EAP WEC

S3 test campaign, ACRI, 2010



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# W2W

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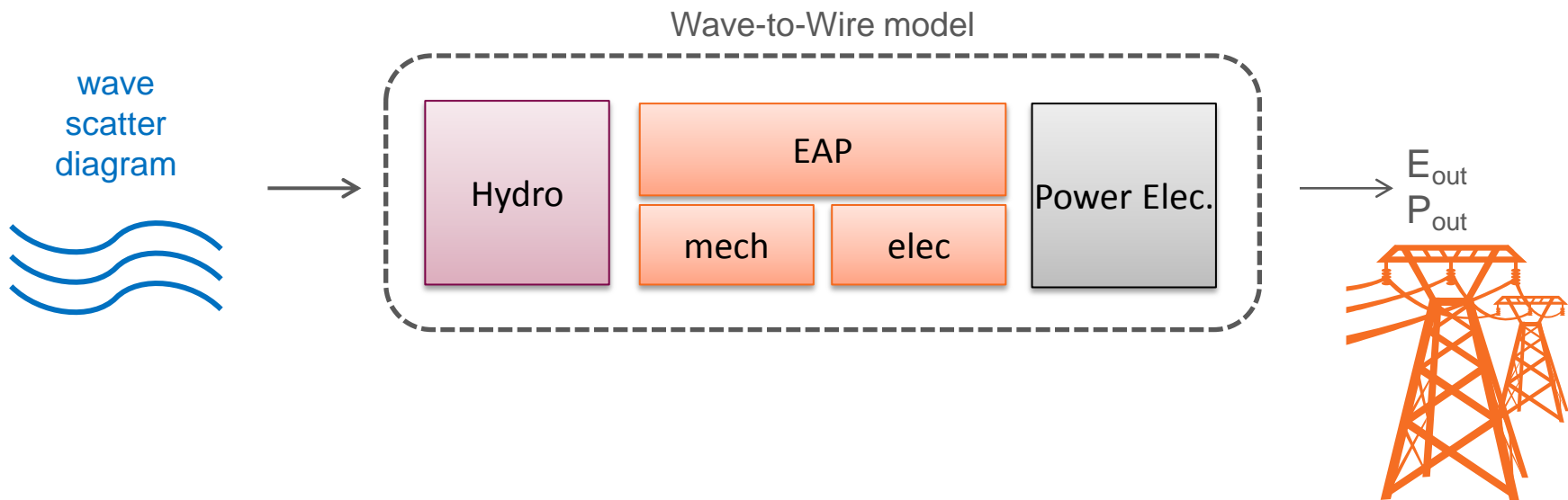
**Hydro-elasto-electric model**

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- SBM and ECN developed a fully coupled numerical model of its S3 WEC that integrates realistic excitations and interactions from the wave excitation to the power generation





# W2W: WAVE TO WIRE MODEL Equations

## External flow:

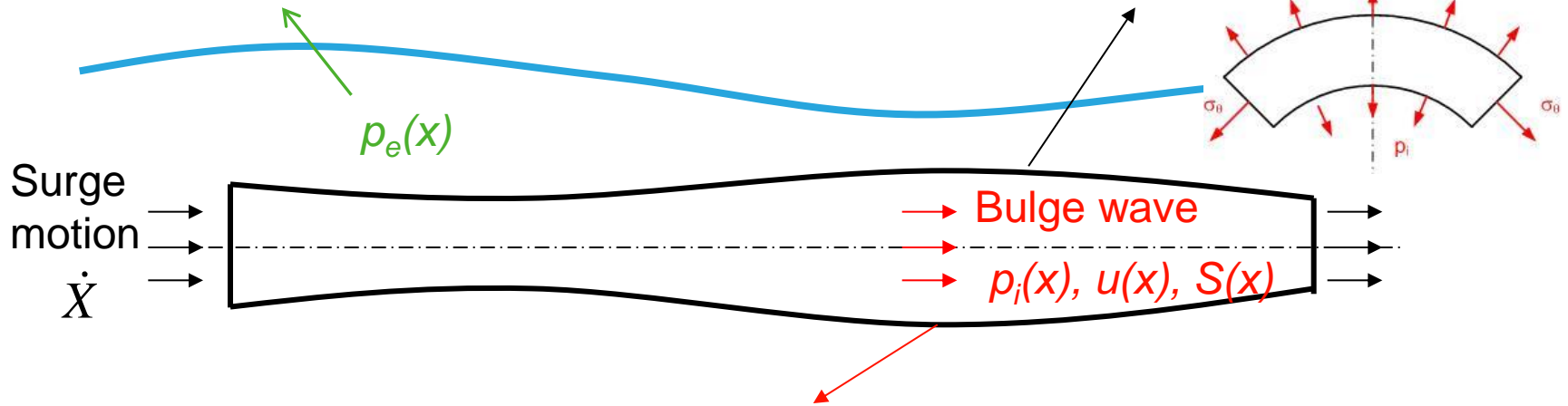
- Linear potential flow theory
- Unknown is pressure on the tube.
- Equation:

$$p_e(x) = p_{rad}(x) + p_{ex}(x) - \rho g z$$

## Wall equation:

- Unknown is the deformation of section  $S(x,t)$ .
- Equation:

$$p_i^* - p_e^* = \frac{1}{D} \frac{S - S_0}{S_0 p_e} - \frac{1}{D S_0} \frac{\partial^2 S}{\partial x^2}$$



+ Boundary conditions & PTO model

## Internal flow:

- Unknown are pressure and velocity in the tube.
- Euler equations:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p_i}{\partial x} \quad \frac{\partial S}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (S u)$$



# W2W: WAVE TO WIRE MODEL

## Modal basis

Inertia

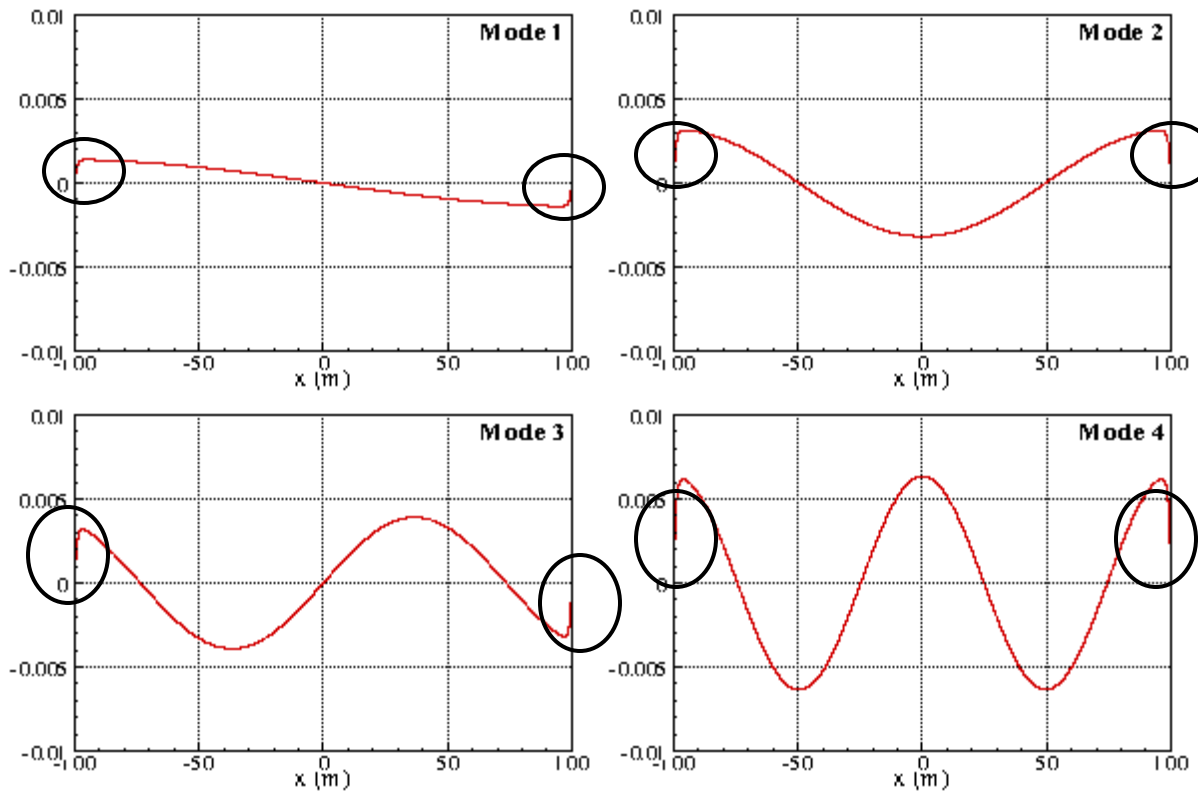
Elastic stiffness

Geometrical stiffness

Seek for solutions of the propagation equation:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \chi}{\partial t^2} - \frac{1}{\rho D} \frac{\partial^2 \chi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{\rho D} \frac{1}{K_0^2} \frac{\partial^4 \chi}{\partial x^4} = 0$$

No deformation at tube extremities





Decomposition on modal basis: 
$$\chi(x, t) = \sum_m c_m(t) \hat{\chi}_m(x)$$

After linearization, motion equation reduces to:

$$(\mathbf{I} + \chi \mathbf{A}) \ddot{\mathbf{C}} + (\chi \mathbf{B} + \eta \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) \dot{\mathbf{C}} + \omega_m^2 \mathbf{C} = \chi \mathbf{p}_{\text{ex}}$$

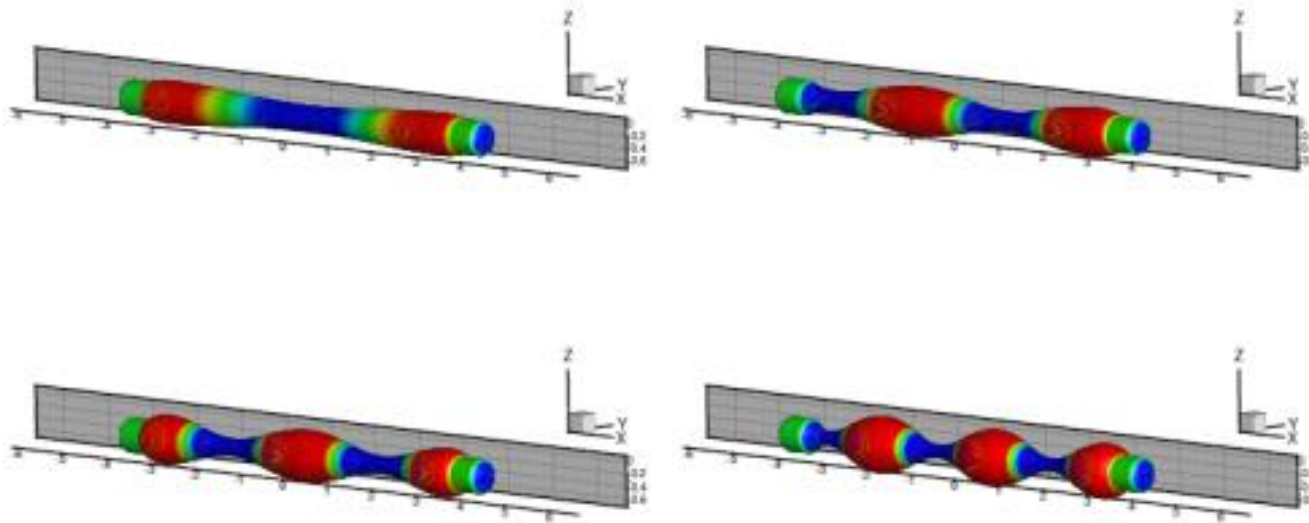
Identity      Radiation      Damping (material and PTO)      Stiffness      Excitation

Access to velocities, motions, deformations and absorbed power



## W2W: WAVE TO WIRE MODEL equations resolution

- Fundamental response modes used to project forces and motions
- CPU-friendly calculations thanks to the modal decomposition
- Time domain model also uses the modal decomposition while being fully coupled (non-linear material properties, harvesting strategy...)



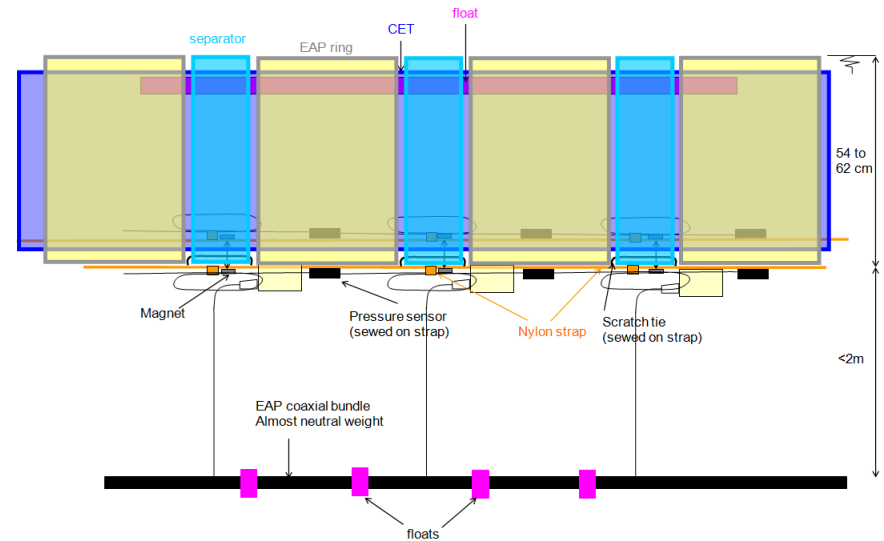




Horizontal mooring to avoid additional complexity in the calibration of the W2Wmodel

### Instrumentation:

- 20+20 pressure sensors
- 20 EAP rings
- 4 mooring loads
- 9 wave elevations
- 21 targets for trajectometry





# W2W: WAVE TO WIRE MODEL

## Basin validation

20 inner sensors  
20 outer sensors  
Range: -100 to 400 mbar  
Resolution: 0.1 mbar  
Precision: 1 mbar  
Rise time: 400 mbar/s  
Protocol: RS485 half duplex  
Technology: capacitive





# SBM S3 WEC – A Paradigm shift Basin validation

Capacitance and ESR meters

Channels: 20 capacitance and 20 ESR

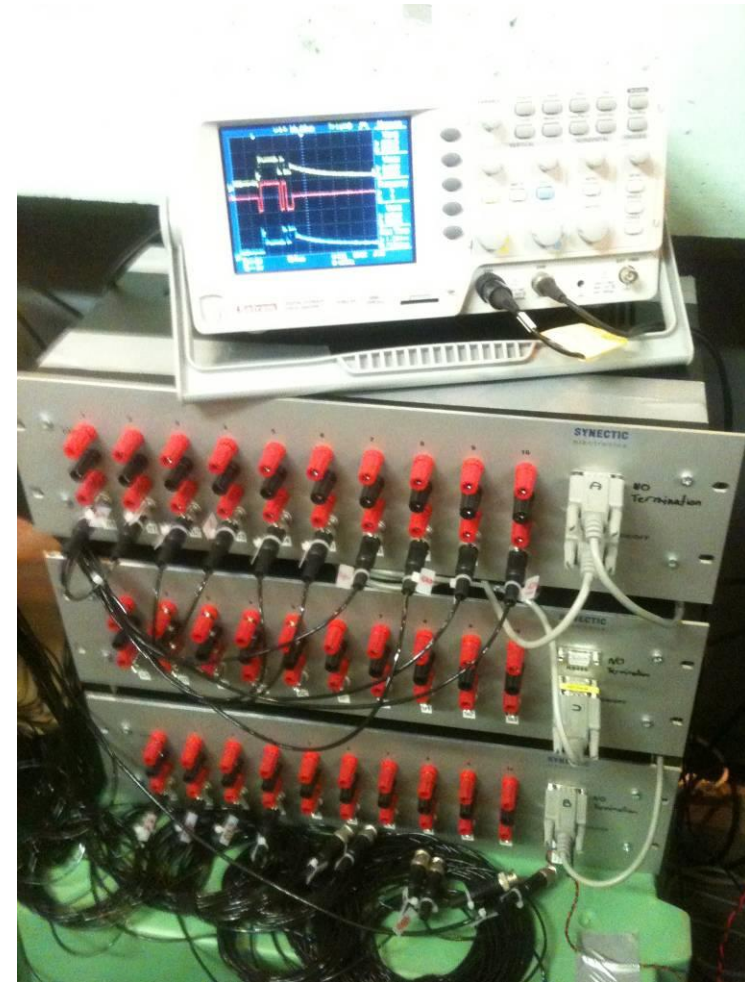
Capacitance Range: 10-300nF

Precision and resolution: 1nF

Resistance Range: 0-500 ohms

Precision and resolution: 1 ohm

Protocol: RS485 half duplex

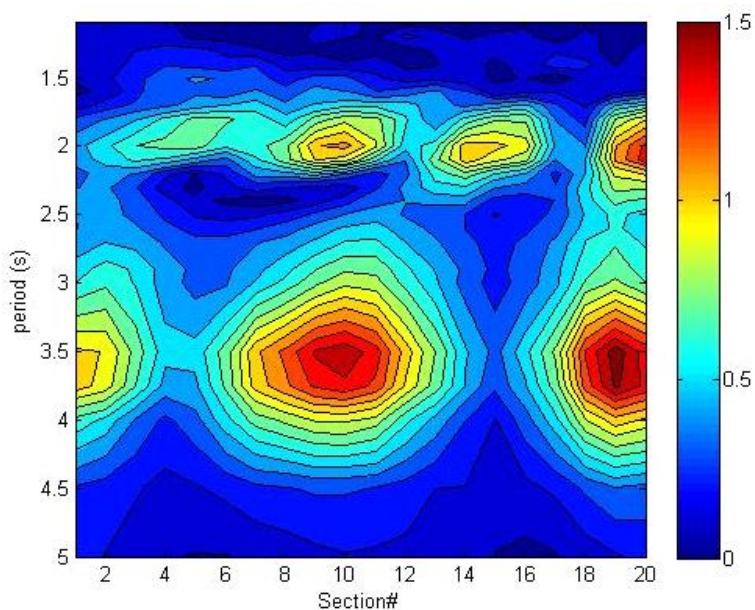




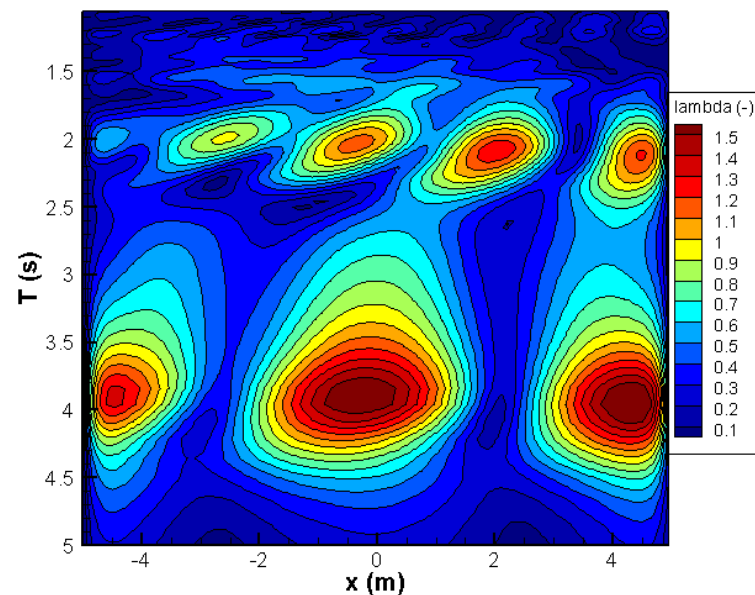
- SBM calibrated its numerical model thanks to a series of wave tank tests achieved on a moored S3 prototype equipped with:
  - Internal + external pressure sensors
  - Deformation sensors composed of EAP rings
  - 3D positioning



Test campaign, ECN, 2011



Model tests



W2W simulation



# SBM S3 WEC – A Paradigm shift

Continuously deformable



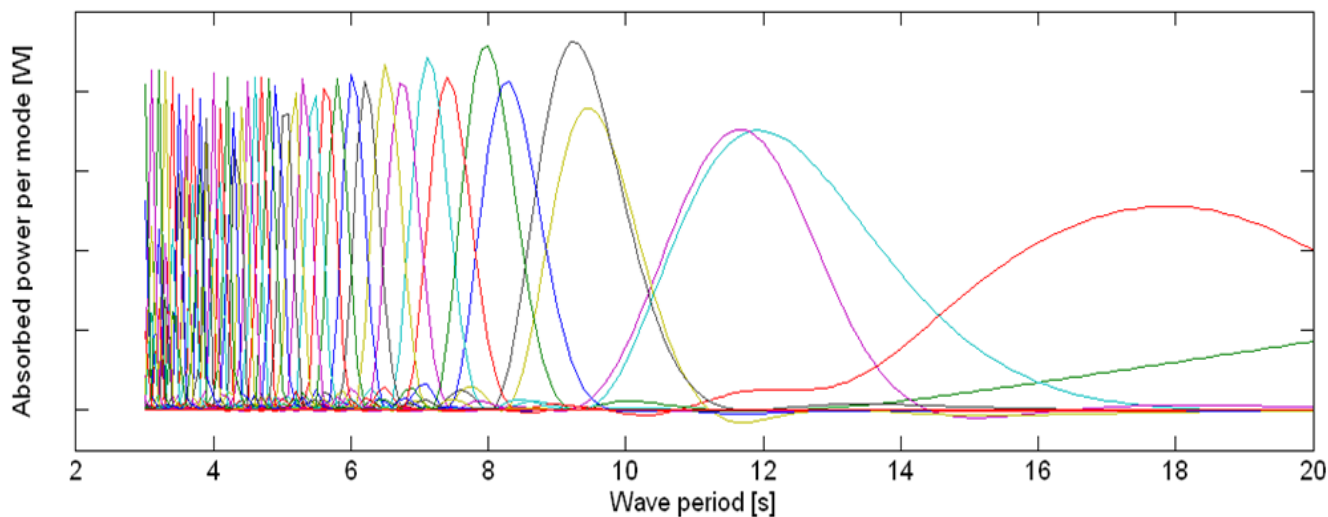
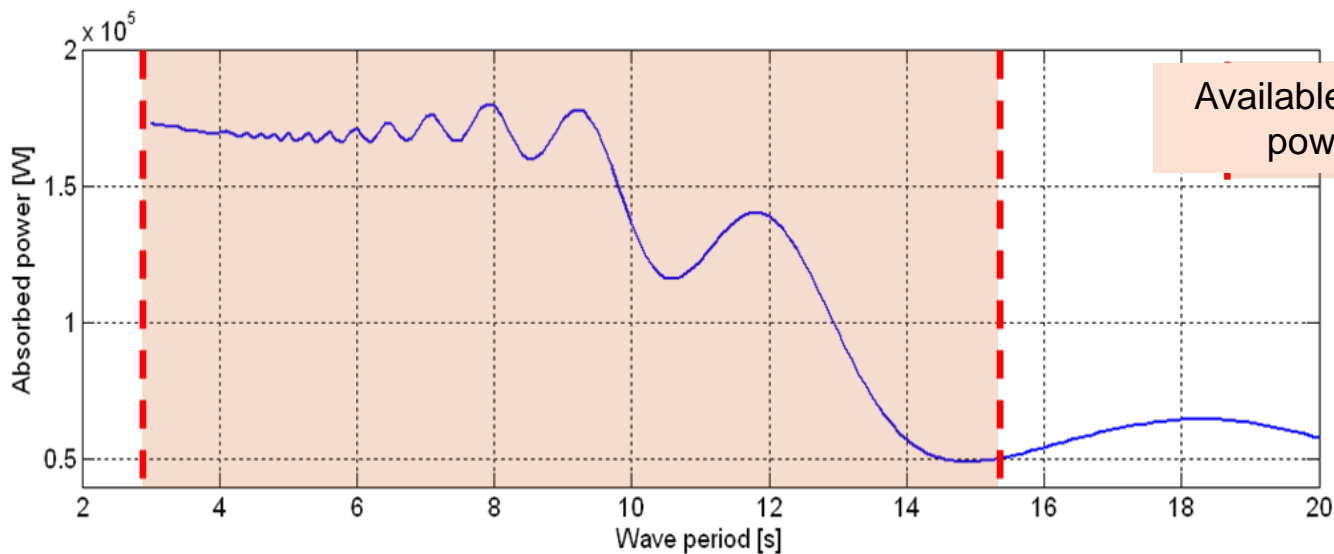
Infinite number of degrees of freedom



Infinite number of response modes



Higher capture efficiency





# R&D

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## Ongoing developments

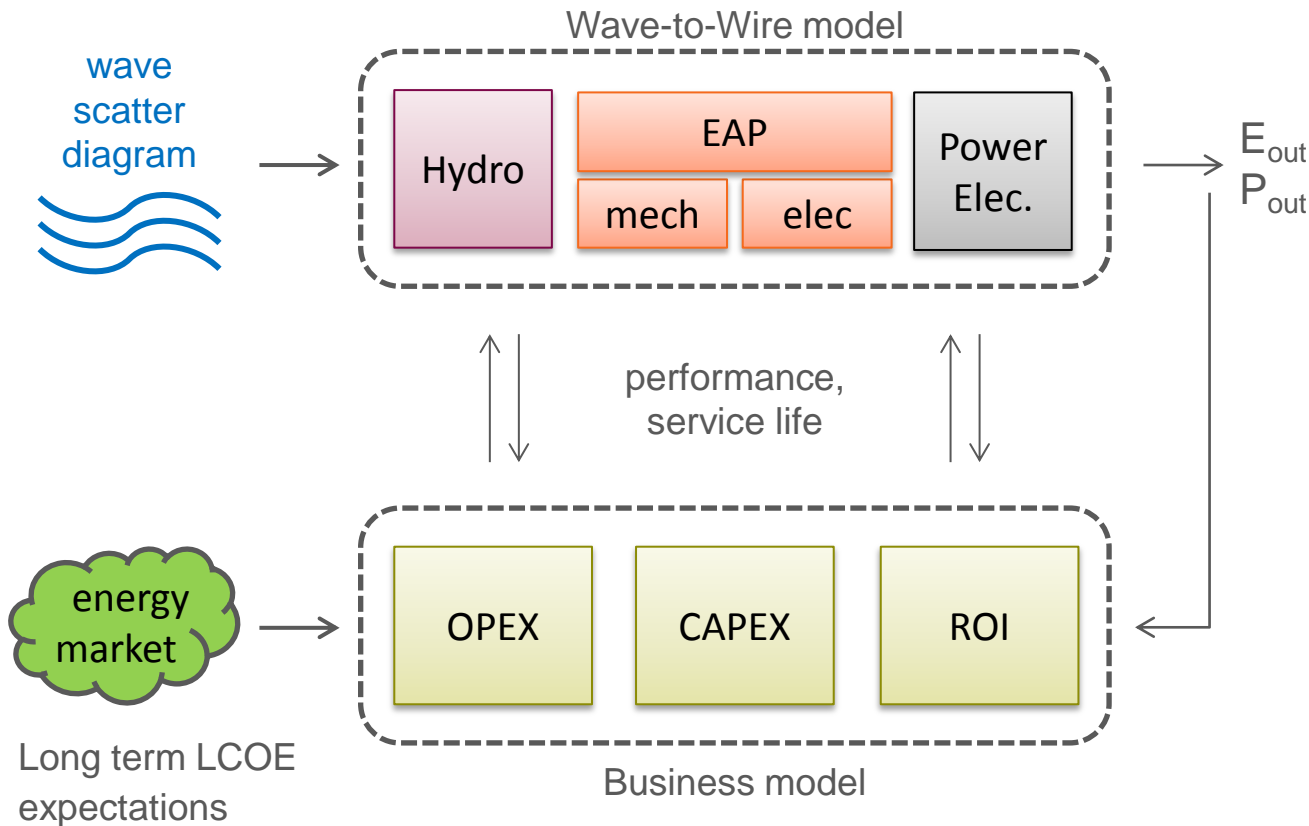


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# ONGOING RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

## Main areas of development



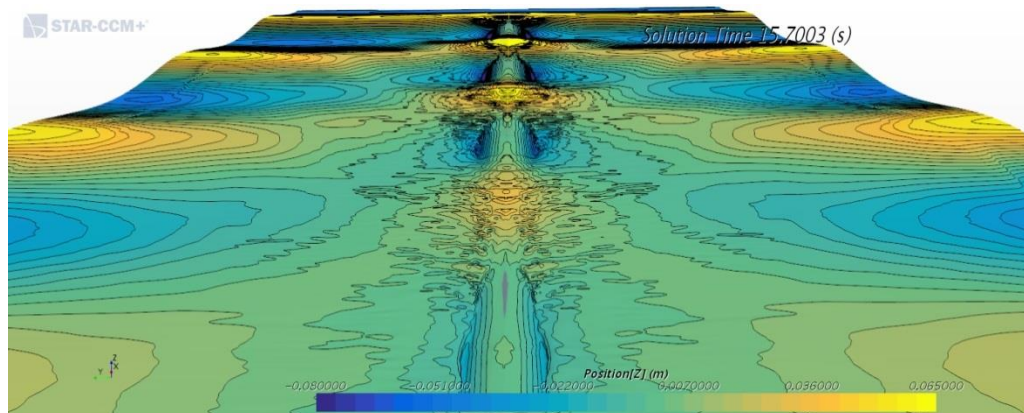
- Business case drives main areas of development:
  - Hydrodynamics
  - EAP material
  - PTO technology
- Validation with several test campaigns and test benches



Working towards small scale prototype



- Confirm and improve W2W model at basin scale
  - Model tests planned in Q1 2017 at ECN
  - Hydro only, no PTO
  
- Investigate the system overall behavior
  - Real scale effects
  - Find optimal design
  - Understand the physics behind the system
  
- CFD?







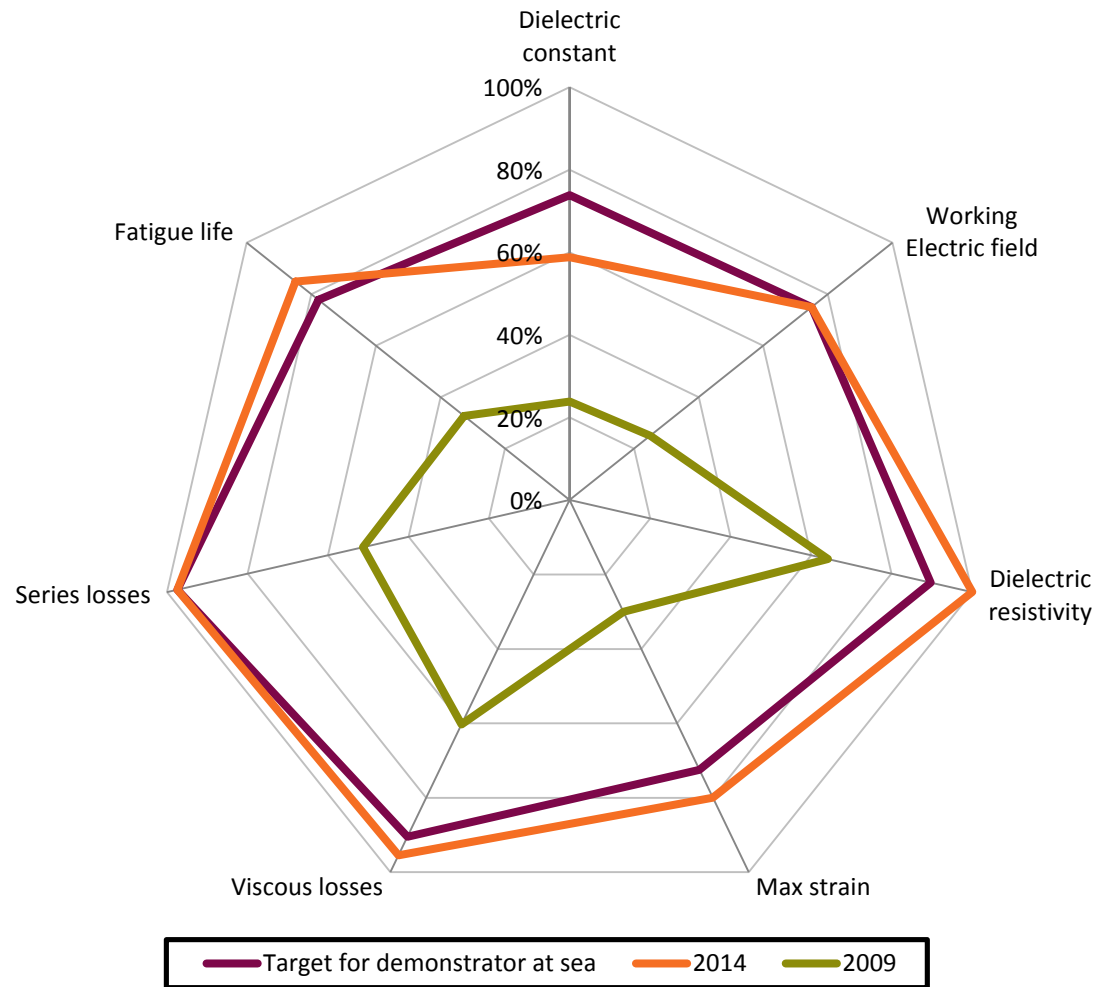
■ Development of EAP material specific to WEC by 2 PhD's

- Energy density
- Strain
- Stiffness
- Losses

■ SBM has built a network of expert companies to develop and manufacture high performance EAP film



Courtesy of Danfoss PolyPower

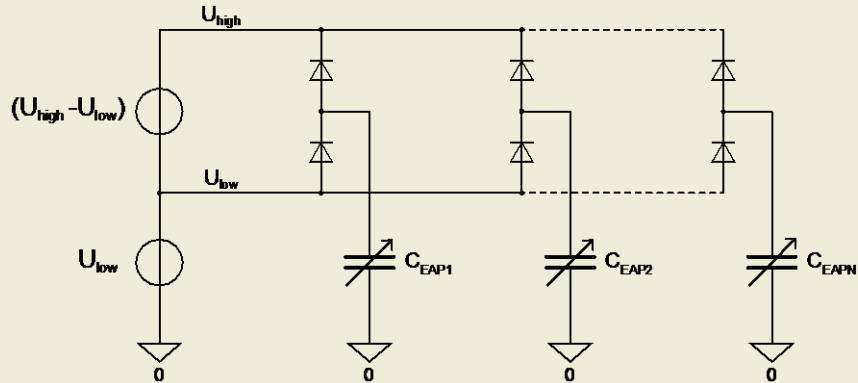




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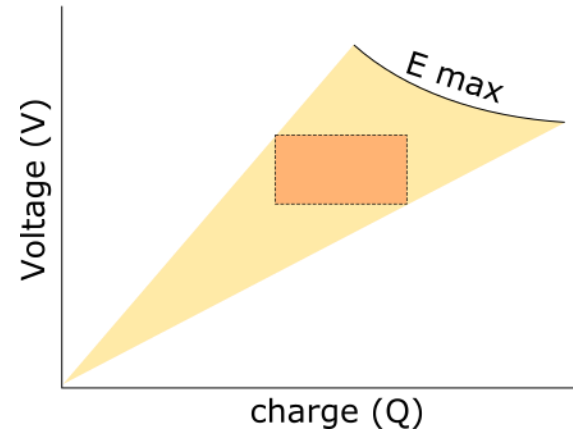
## Harvesting topologies

### Passive VCMPS

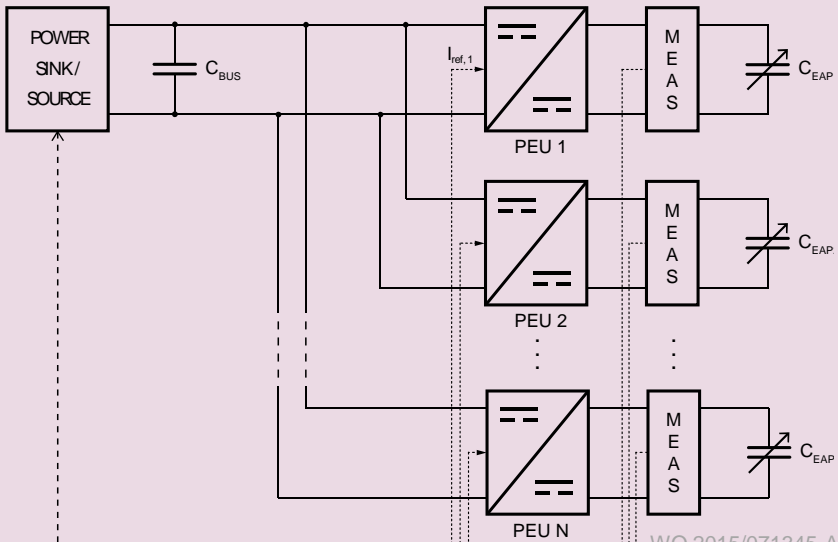


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QV - diagram

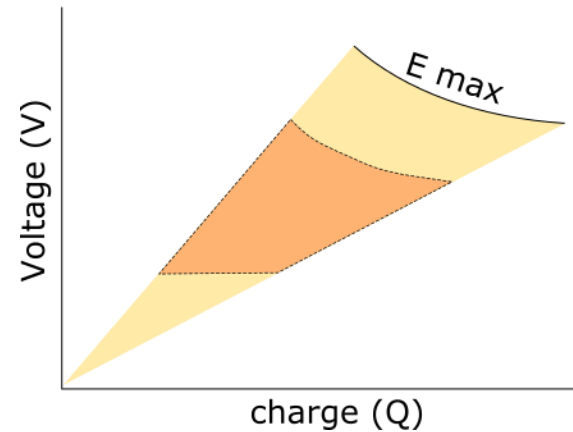


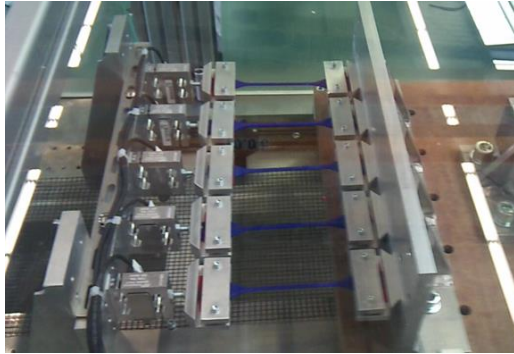
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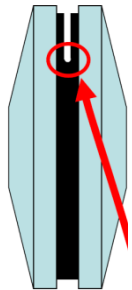
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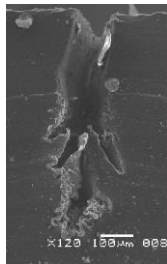


### Standard mechanical and electrical testing

- Stress-Strain
- Mechanical fatigue
- Electrical ageing
- Crack growth analysis



Courtesy of Will Mars, Endurica

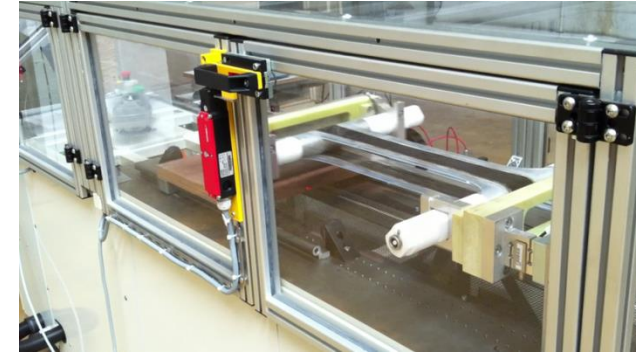


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### Large Power energy harvesting rig

- Energy output up to 1 kW
- Film quantity up to 1000 m
- Voltage up to 10 kV
- Film or ring shape
  
- Passive & Active PTO technologies
  
- High precision and high frequency acquisition
  
- ➔ Energy harvesting validation
- ➔ Ring design validation
- ➔ Power electronics validation



### Coupled electro-mechanical fatigue

- Frequency up to 2.5Hz
- Voltage up to 12 kV
- Film or ring shape
  
- Real operating cycles (combined mechanical + electrical)
  
- Health monitoring
  
- ➔ Lifetime estimation
- ➔ Ring design validation (long term)

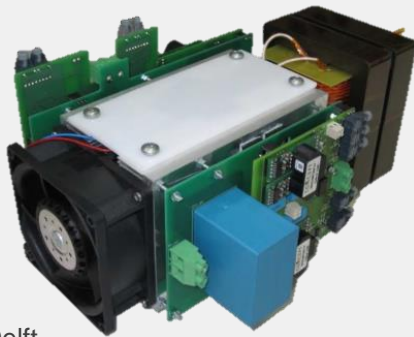


# ONGOING RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

## Power Electronic Converters

### Dedicated Converter per EAP generator

- High electric fields: high voltages
- Large power flows: ultra high efficiency needed
- Since 2009, SBM and TU Delft have progressively developed converters with efficiencies >98%
- Input Parallel, Output Series converter
  - Modular concept with Dual Active Bridges
  - Standard IGBT switches: 97.2%
  - Novel SiC switches: 98.5%



DAB module by Todor Todorcevic, PhD student TU Delft

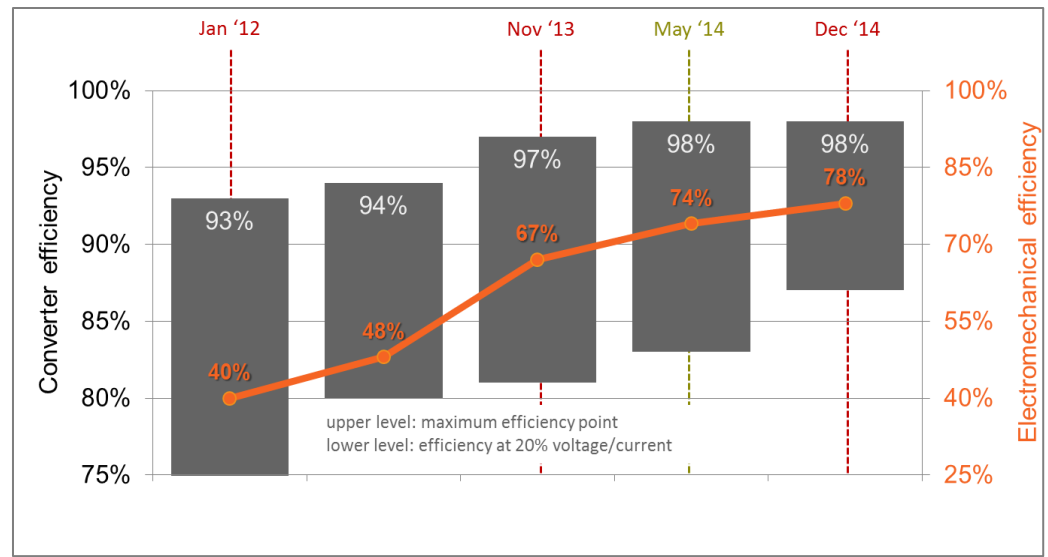
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### Tests in Power Electronics Lab TU Delft, 2015



- **2.4kV**
- **12kW**
- **>97%**

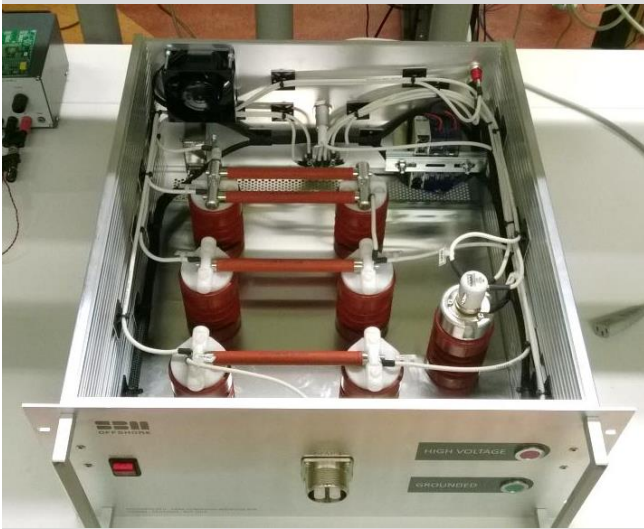




# ONGOING RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

## Power electronics platform

SBM Dedicated PEU for EHVT

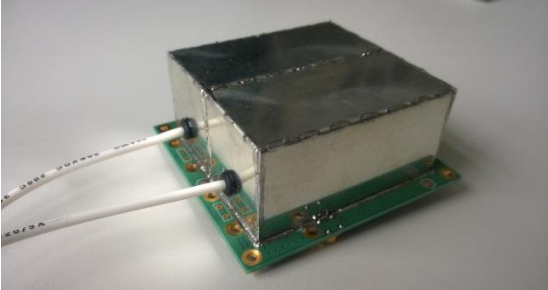


SBM Harvesting Platform

- Real-Time controller
- Optical Link
- Instrumentation & safety
- High-Voltage amplifier
- EAP generator interface



SBM High Voltage Divider





# SBM S3 WEC

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# Gen 2 devices: the way to reduce LCOE

Engineering

Procurement & Construction

Installation

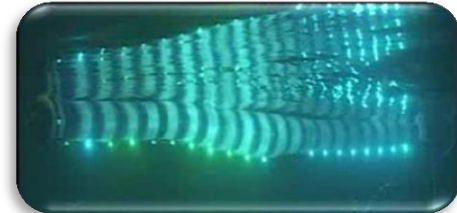
Operations & Maintenance



**Rigid Structure & inappropriate PTO**



Fatigue Friendly structure  
Frequency indep. distrib. PTO  
Large absorption bandwidth



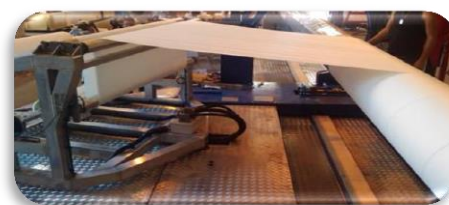
**Reduced CAPEX & Improved efficiency**



**Extensive Construction**



**Industrial Roll to Roll**



**True Ramp up to commercialization**



**Heavy lift & Installation**



**Easier load out & Installation**



**Reduced Cost of Installation**



**Periodic maintenance**



**Run Until Failure**



**Reduced OPEX**

**Lower Cost Of Electricity**

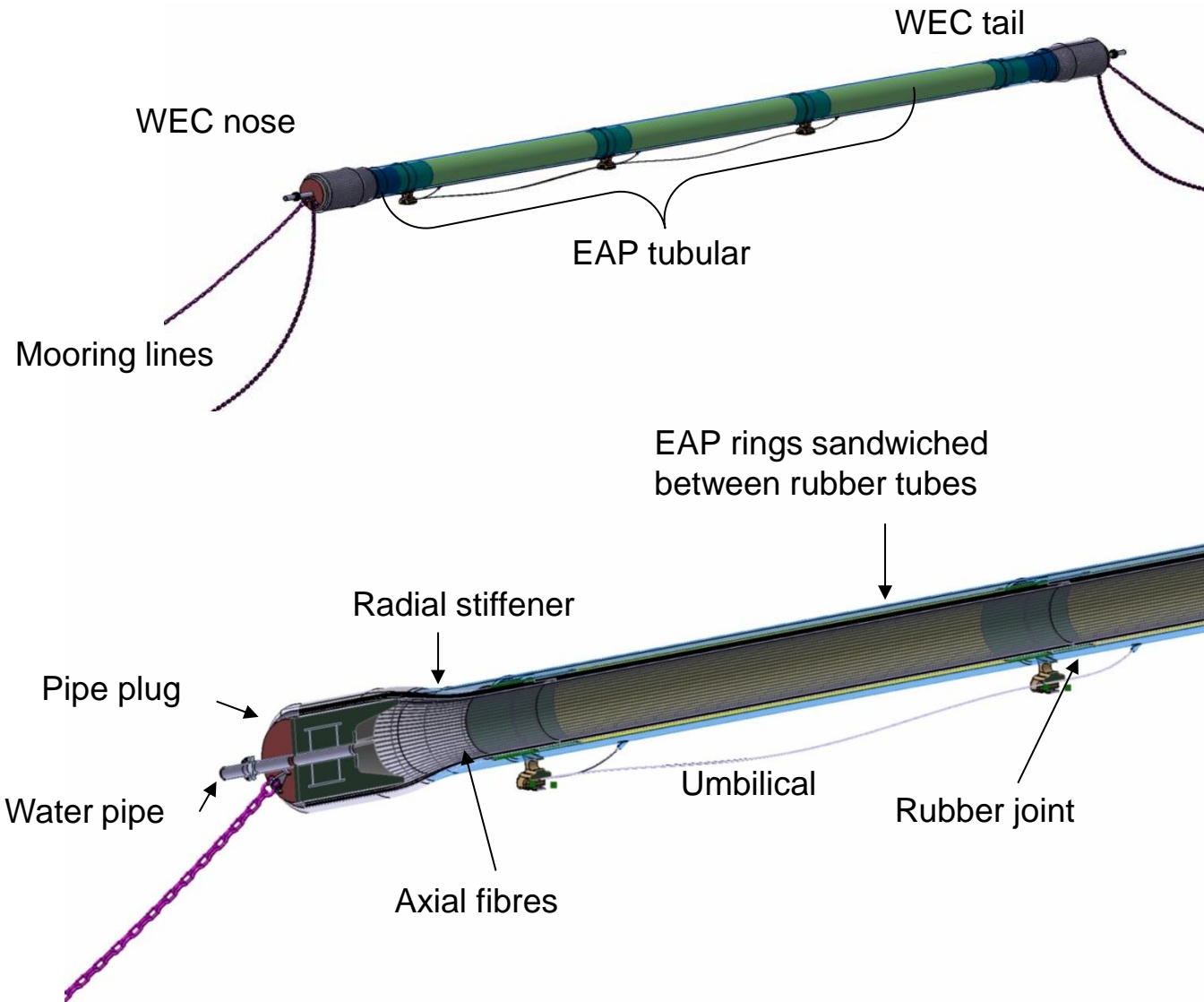


- First milestones passed:
  - Proof of concept (direct power gen with EAP in water demonstrated + Wave2Wire model developed and validated)
  - Large scale power electronics topology developed
  - EAP control algorithms developed
  - Generator ring design validated
  - EAP performance and large scale manufacturing
  - Comprehensive business model
  
- Next step: small-scale prototype at sea
  
- Developments up to full technical and commercial maturity will require significant investment.  
Partners will be sought to participate





# SBM S3 WEC – A Paradigm shift



Characteristic	Value
Tube diameter	2 to 4 m
Tube length	200 to 400 m
Tube thickness	5 to 10 cm
Power production	100 → 800 kW → 2MW <u>average</u>
Tube materials	Natural Rubber, Neoprene, EPDM
Number of layers EAP	100 to 300 layers (100 µm thick)
Operating voltage	12 kV
Service life	10 → 20 years

# Q&A

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