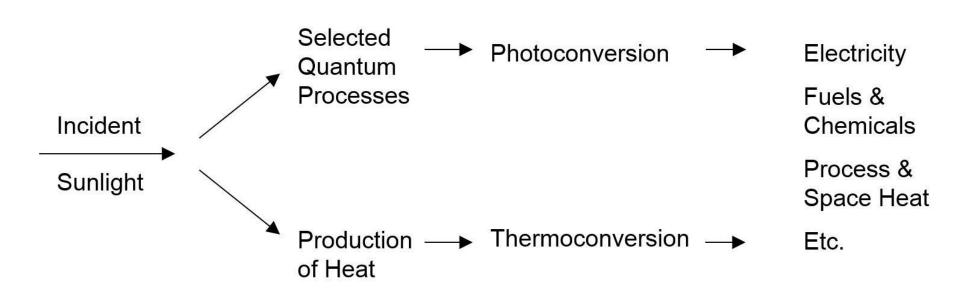
# Solar Radiation Processes and Conversion Paths



Primary Processes Conversion
Mechanisms/Technologies
(including storage)

Useful End Products

### Detailed Morphology for Solar Thermoconversion Paths

	Ocean	Turbines	Electricity
	currents		Shaft Horsepower
	Ocean Thermal Gradients	Closed and Open Cycle Heat Engines	Electricity Sfaft Horsepower
Production			, and the second
of Heat		Thermomechanical Effect	Shaft HP
<b>→</b>	Hot Fluids, Solids	Thermoelectric Effect	Electricity
	(May require Solar	Various Heat Engines	Electricity, Shaft HP
sion	Concentrators)	Direct Heat Transfer	Process & Space Heat
onver	Atmospheric	Wave Conversion Devices	Electricity, Shaft HP
50	Winds	Wind Turbines	Electricity, Shaft HP
Thermoconversion	Evaporation/ Precipitation	Salinity Gradients Hydroelectric	Electricity, Shaft HP Electricity
	120	s a	L = 343 5 <b>%</b>
Primary Process	Primary Products	Conversion Mechanism/ Technology	Useful End Products

### Detailed Morphology for Solar Thermoconversion Paths

		Redox Reactions	Electricity	
Discrete Quantum Processes	Excited States Chemical Compounds	Synthesis	Latent Heat Storage	
	(Photosynthesis)	Charge Separation in Reaction Centers	Biomass Hydrogen	
	Excited States Antenna Pigments	Combustion/Gassification	Space Heat	
		Hydrolysis/Fermentation	Biofuels & Chemicals	
		Anaerobic Digestion	Methane	
	(Photoelectrochemistry)			
	Excited States Semiconductors (Electron-hole pairs)	Charge Transfer to Electrolyte	Hydrogen	
		(Photovoltaics)		
		Charge Separation	Electricity	
		Collection in PV Cells		
Primary Process	Primary Products	Conversion Mechanism/ Technology	Useful End Products	

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#### **National Wind Technology Center**





Jim Johnson
August 27, 2008
Arvada Rotary Meeting



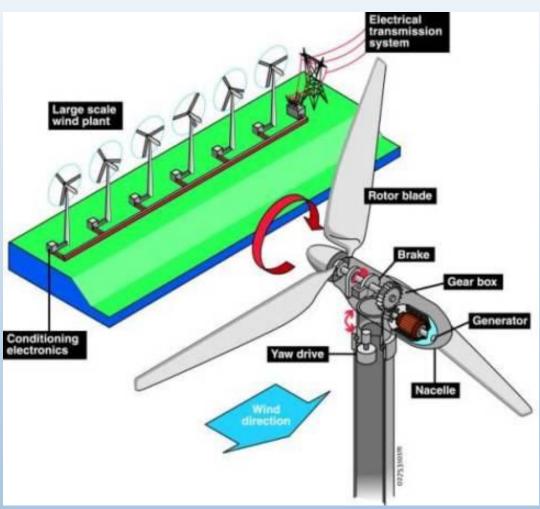


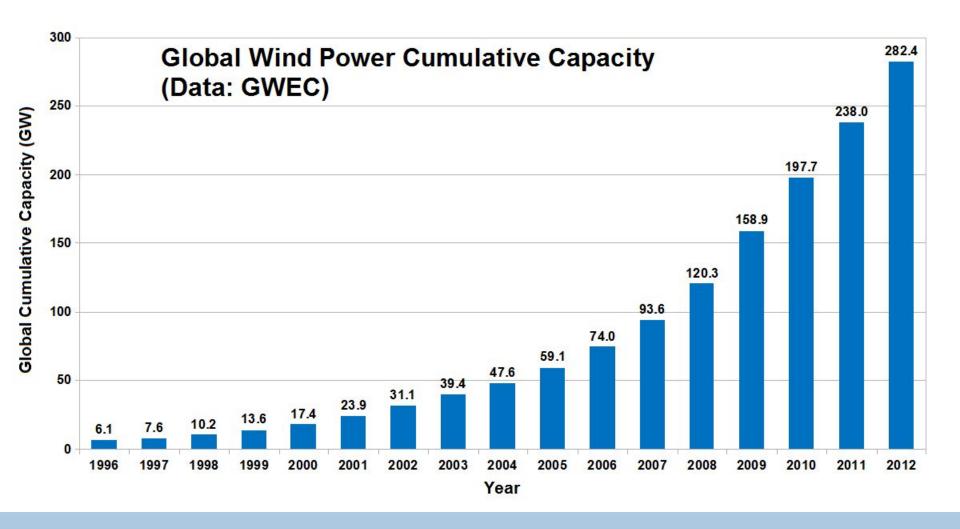


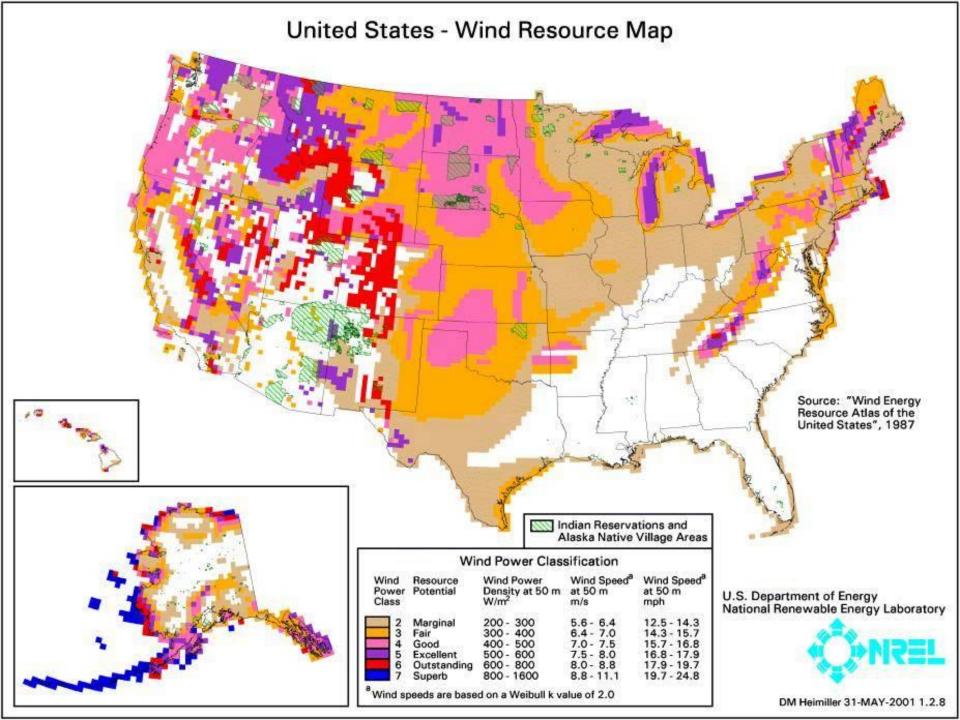


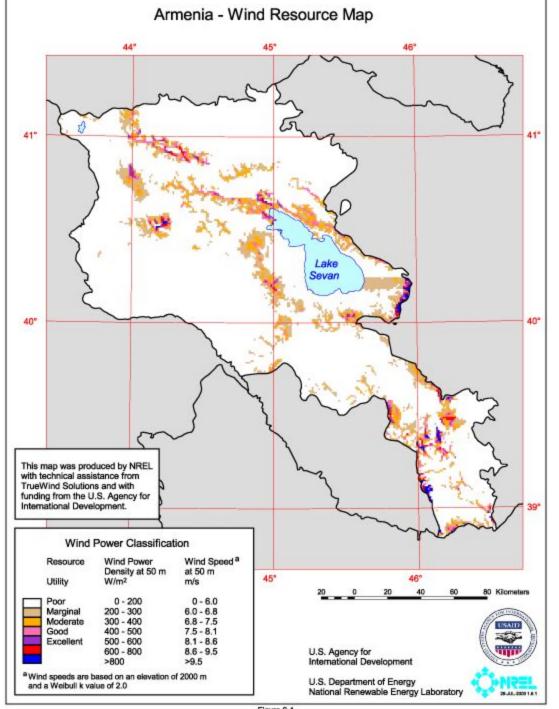
# Wind Energy Technology

At it's simplest, the wind turns the turbine's blades, which spin a shaft connected to a generator that makes electricity. Large turbines can be grouped together to form a wind power plant, which feeds power to the electrical transmission system.







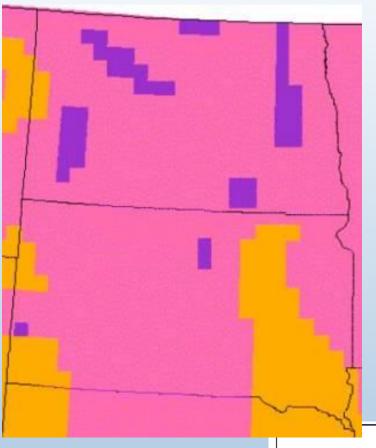


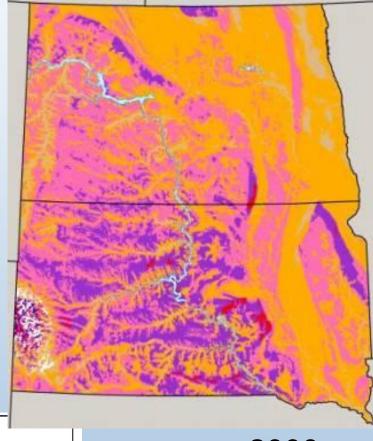
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Figure 6-1

### **Growing to Support the Needs of Industry**

#### Wind Resource Maps for North and South Dakota





1987

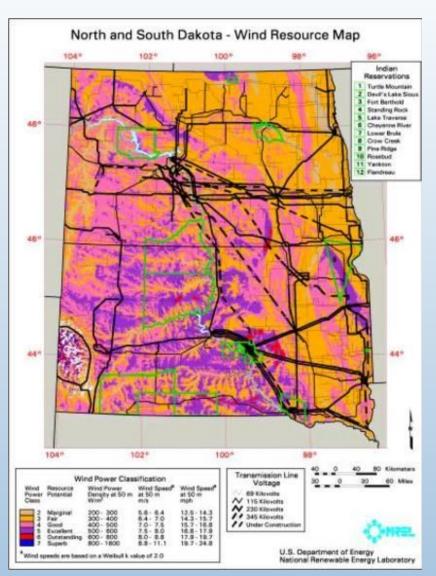
Wind Power Classification Wind Speeda Resource Wind Power Wind Speeda Density at 50 m W/m<sup>2</sup> at 50 m at 50 m Power Potential Class mph Marginal 200 - 300 5.6 - 6.4 12.5 - 14.3 300 - 400 14.3 - 15.7 Fair 6.4 - 7.0 400 - 500 7.0 - 7.5 15.7 - 16.8 Good 500 - 600 7.5 - 8.016.8 - 17.9 Excellent Outstanding 600 - 800 8.8 - 0.8 17.9 - 19.7 Superb 800 - 1600 8.8 - 11.119.7 - 24.8 <sup>a</sup>Wind speeds are based on a Weibull k value of 2.0

2000



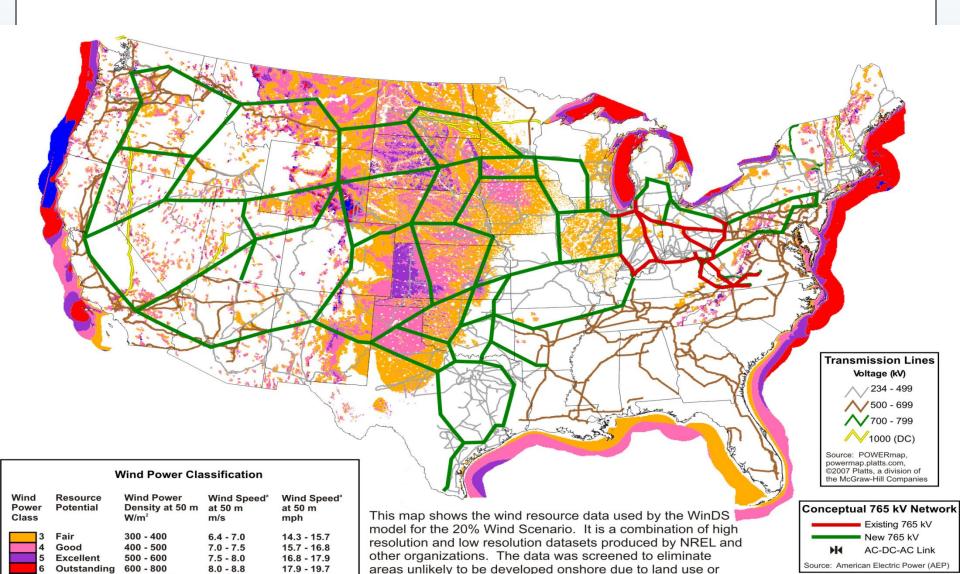
## Wind Resource Mapping

- Identifies most promising areas for wind energy development
- Employs geographic information system technology to create layers of key information
- Used by state energy planners, Indian tribes, and developers
- Approach changing from empirical to numerical modeling techniques
- Forecasting, resource assessment and site specific inflow quantification methods are likely to converge into a single approach





# **Conceptual Transmission Overlay**



on ridge crests and other features.

environmental issues. In many states, the wind resource on

this map is visually enhanced to better show the distribution

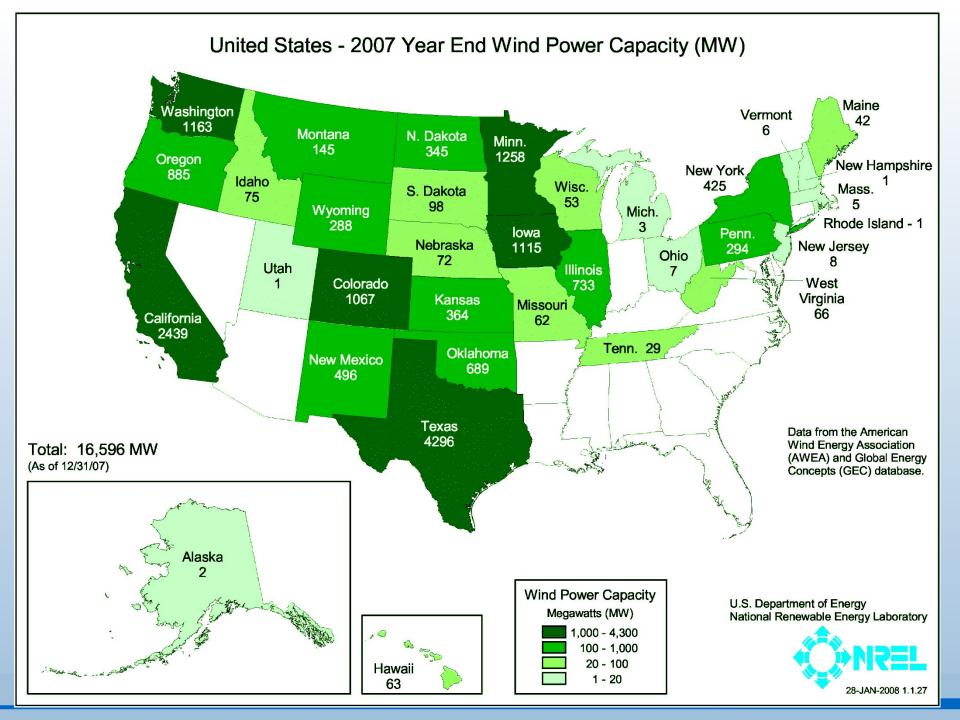
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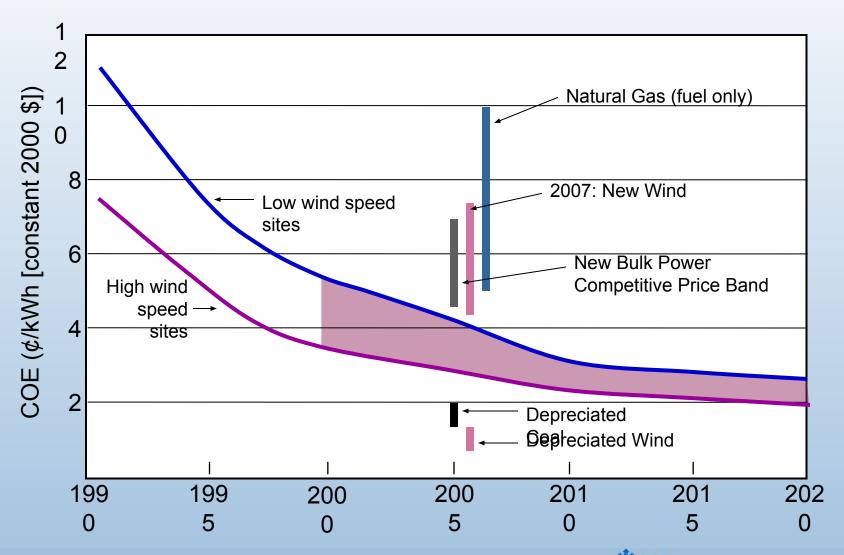
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8.8 - 11.1

19.7 - 24.8



# Wind Cost of Energy



# Clipper LWST Prototype 2.5 MW with 93 m Rotor



# **Industry's Growing Needs**



New Large Blade Test Facilities:

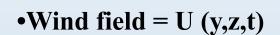
 Boston, MA with Massachusetts Technology Collaborative

 Corpus Christi, TX with University of Houston

A new 45-meter wind turbine blade was shipped to the NWTC for testing in July 2004.

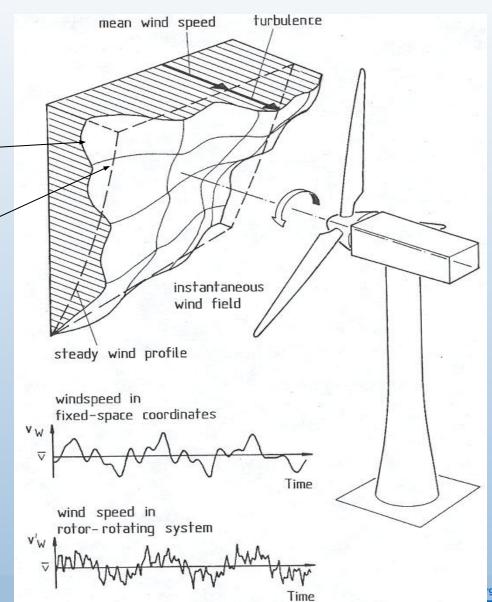
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# **Dynamic Loading Environment**



•Steady wind shear superimposed

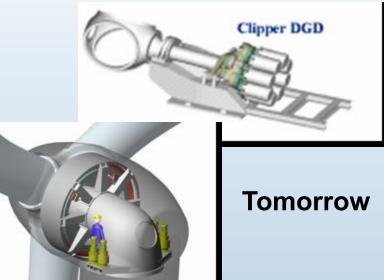
•Rotational sampling effect increases effective wind fluctuations



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### **Advanced Drivetrain R&D**







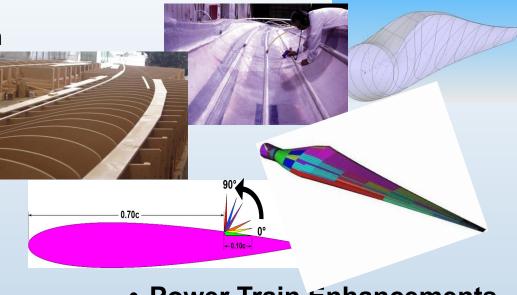
#### **Land Based Technology Improvement Options**

Advanced Rotor Technology

 Extended rotor architectures through load control

- Incorporate advanced materials for hybrid blades
- Cyclic & independent blade pitch control for load mitigation
- Sweep and flap twist coupled architectures
- Light weight, high TSR with attenuated aeroacoustics

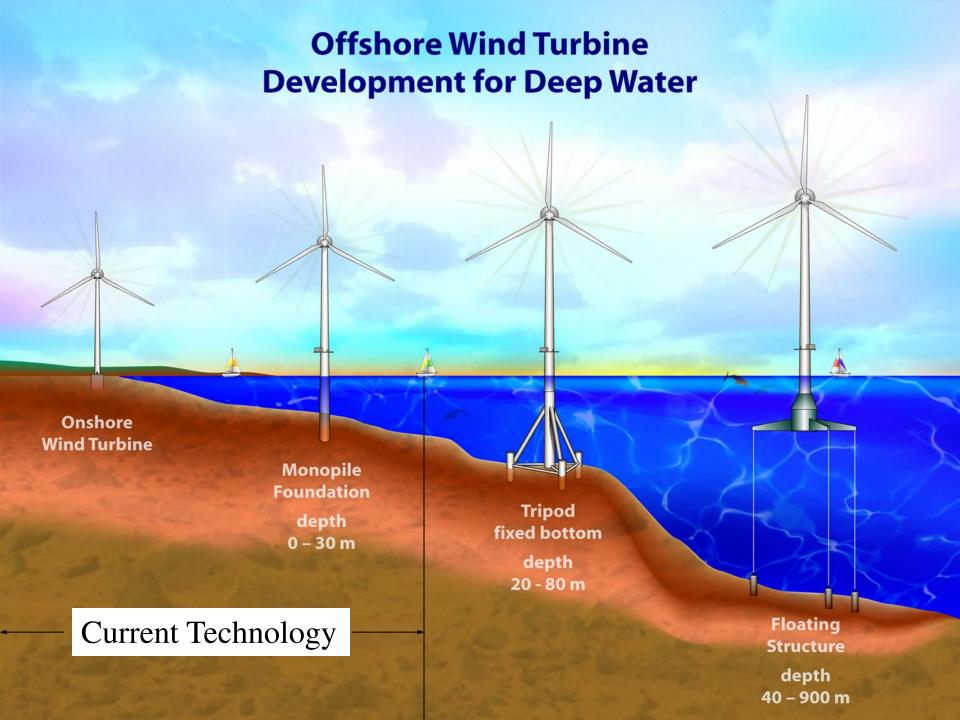




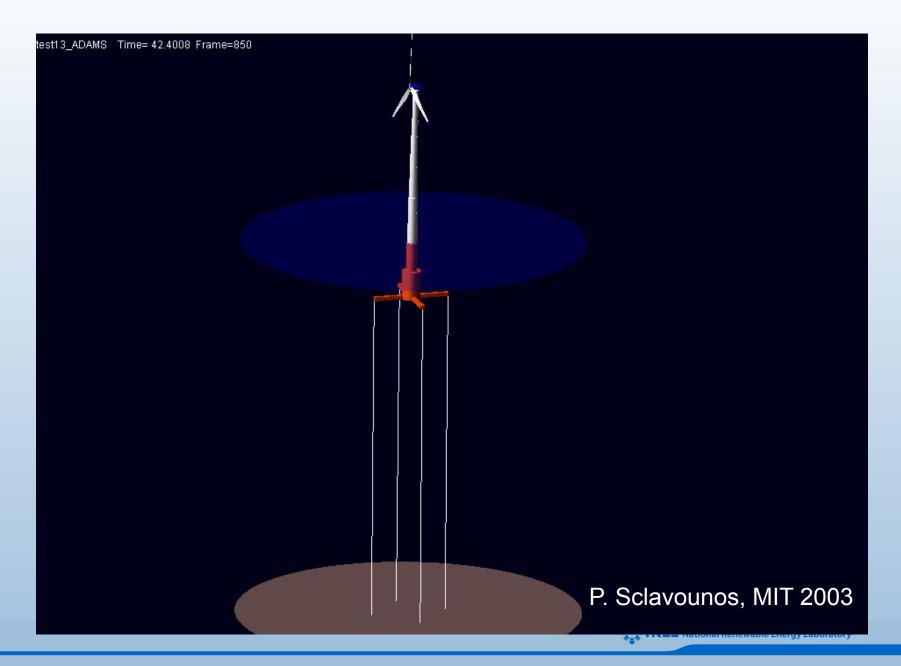
#### Power Train Enhancements

- Permanent Magnet DD **Architectures**
- Split load path multi-stage generation topologies
- Reduced stage (1-2) integrated gearbox designs
- Convoloid gearing for load distribution





### **MIT ADAMS Model**



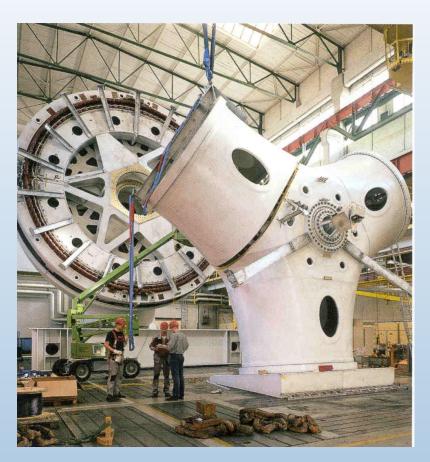
# **Arklow Banks Windfarm The Irish Sea**



# **Enercon Offshore Prototype**



Enercon 4.5MW 112 meter rotor

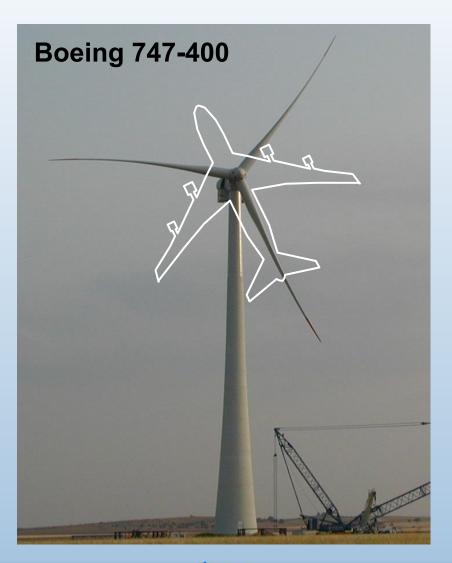


440 metric tonnes



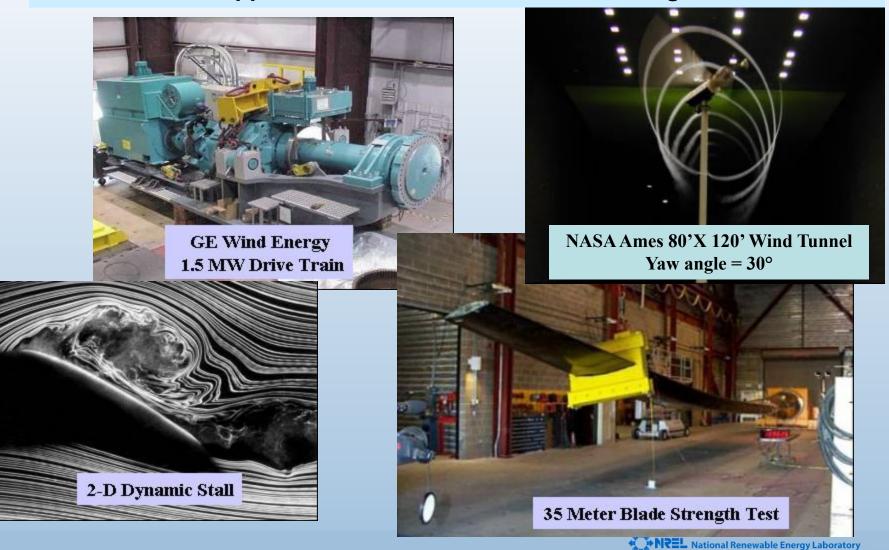
# **GE Wind Energy 3.6 MW Prototype**

- Design concept similar to offshore GE 1.5 / 70.5
- Offshore GE 3.6 MW104 meter rotor diameter
- •Offshore design requirements considered from the outset:
  - -Crane system for all components
  - -Simplified installation
  - -Helicopter platform



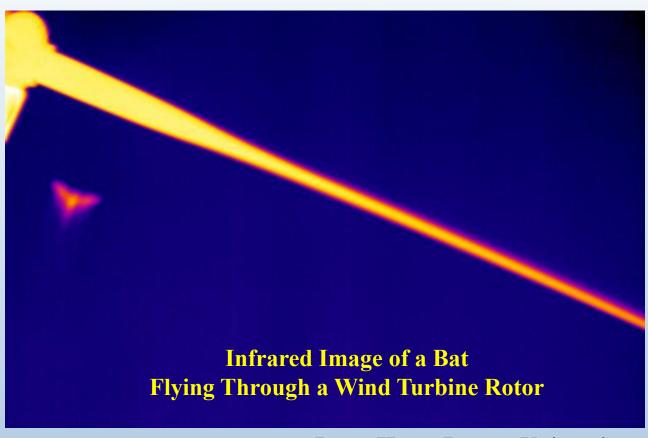
# NREL's National Wind Technology Center Research and Development

**Basic & Applied Research & World-Class Testing Facilities** 



### Multi-Stakeholder Wildlife Research

- National Wind Coordinating Committee
- Bat & Wind Energy Cooperative
- Grassland Shrub Steppe Species Collaborative



Jason Horn, Boston University



#### Wildlife-Related Research

- ☐ Data suggest the most significant avian wind-turbine interaction problem in the U.S. is in the Altamont WRA.
- Generally speaking, avian issues can be managed at future wind farm developments by careful site selection.
- Two guidance documents have been adopted by the NWCC: (1) Permitting of Wind Energy Facilities, and (2) Metrics and Methods for Avian Studies. These two documents serve as guidance for siting and development of new wind farms in the U.S.
- Some current NWCC Wildlife Workgroup activities include developing: (1) a companion document focused on Methods and Metrics for Studying the Impacts of Wind Power on Nocturnal Species; (2) a protocol for investigating displacement effects of wind facilities on grassland songbirds; and, (3) a toolbox of potential mitigation options.



# Low Wind Speed Technology – Significance to U.S. Wind Industry



#### **Current Status of Wind Technology:**

- Wind Technology has matured over 25 Years
- Availability now reported at 98-99%
- Certification to international standards for new turbine designs helps avoid "major failures"
- Current designs produce electricity for 5-8 cents/kWh at Class 6 wind sites (15 mph or higher average wind)

# Low Wind Speed Technology Innovations for the future:

- Larger-scale 2 to 5 MW, with rotors diameters to 120 meters
- Flexible, thin high-speed rotors
- Extendable rotor concepts
- Hybrid glass-carbon rotors
- Load feedback control systems
- Custom designed low-speed, permanent-magnet generators
- Self-erecting tall tower designs, 85 to 100 meters tall
- Offshore wind turbines
- Wind/hydrogen production

### **Top Ten Wind Turbine Manufacturers**

Installed capacity, annual market share in 2010

- Vestas 14.8%
- Sinovel 11.1%
- GE Wind Energy 9.6%
- Goldwind 9.5%
- Enercon 7.2%
- Suzlon Group 6.9%
- Dongfang Electric 6.7\$
- Gamesa 6%
- Siemens Wind Power 5.9%
- United Power 4.2%



- 10. Nordex Germany 3.4%
  - 9. Ming Yang China 3.7%
- 8. United Power China 3.9%
  - 7. Gamesa Spain 4.6%
  - 6. GE U.S. 4.9%
  - 5. Sulzon Group India 6.3%
  - 4. Siemens Germany 8.0%
  - 3. Enercon Germany 10.1%
  - 2. Goldwind China 10.3%
  - 1. Vestas Denmark 13.2%

# In 2016 http://www.energyd igital.com/top10/37 05/Top-10-Wind-Tu rbine-Suppliers

Vestas is the world's only global energy company dedicated entirely to wind power and it definitely shows. With more than 60 GW installed worldwide, Vestas is the biggest name in the wind industry. Vestas also experience on its side, as it's been around since 1898. Committed to sustainability and a healthier planet, Vestas doesn't look like it's giving up its top spot anytime soon.

10. Nordex

Germany

3.4%

Nordex has been supplying wind turbines since 1985. Just two years after its founding, the company installed the largest series wind turbine in the world at the time. The compa the 1990s, entering the MW class in 1995. Nordex is still a world leader in wind, with its focus on reliability, quality ongoing service, and wide range of offerings.

9. Ming Yang

China

3.7%

The largest private wind turbine manufacturer in China (but the 5th largest in the country), Ming Yang is a major player in the world of wind. Founded in 2006, the compar turbines went into production in 2007. The company's stock skyrocketed earlier this year, with it getting major support from Chinese power companies. While it hasn't guit Yang remains a leader in wind.

8. United Power

China

3.9%

United Power is a state-owned Chinese wind company which has been a world leader for several years. The company, which is headquartered in Beijing, has several subsidiaries underneath it. The company has a diverse turbine portfolio, allowing it to deploy its turbines in a variety of settings.

7. Gamesa

Spain

4.6%

Gamesa is a big name when it comes to wind. The company has 30,000 MW installed in 45 countries and offers comprehensive maintenance and service for 19,500 MW worth of turbines. Its two biggest markets are its home country of Spain and the burgeoning energy market of China. Gamesa is very internationally focused, as 88% of its sales come from outside of Spain. Also unique to the country is its partnership with universities, in which it looks to academic to recruit and retain the best staff it can.

6. GE

U.S.

4.9%

GE is majorly focused on innovation within the wind industry. It's also very proud of its turbines, in which its 2-3 MW platform produces the highest annual energy yield in its class. With more than 16,500 turbines deployed worldwide, it's no surprise that GE is one of the largest wind companies out there.

5. Sulzon Group

India

6.3%

Sulzon views itself as more than a wind company; it believes it is a champion of the renewable energy movement. As well as leading the charge for wind in India, the company operates on 6 continents—all except Antarctica. Also notable about Sulzon is its wide range of turbine size, from 600 kW to its 6.15 MW offshore turbine.

4. Siemens

Germany

8.0%

One of the most recognizable names in wind, Siemens offers solutions for both on and offshore wind projects. The biggest focus for Siemens is driving down costs of wind turbines. They aim to make renewable energy viable without subsidies. Siemens is also fully committed to their turbines, acting as its caretaker for its whole life cycle to ensure it's always running optimally.

3. Enercon

Germany

10.1%

Enercon is a company that believes in value. Whether it's its customers, service, shareholders, or employees, Enercon defines excellence as the value placed in them. The company is highly focused on delivering projects on time and error-free. Still, quality is king for Enercon and it's not something it's willing to compromise.

2. Goldwind

China

10.3%

Goldwind is an older wind company, having been founded in 1998. Since then, it's grown massively and has an installed 19 GW around the globe. The company is looking to expand internationally, though it already has operations on all 6 continents. Goldwind is aiming for the number 1 spot on the list and believes it will get there by setting aggressive goals for itself—and it believes it can meet them.

1. Vestas

Denmark

13.2%

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# Wind Power (Basic Analyses)

- Kinetic Energy: ½ mV²; m-mass; V-velocity
- Wind Power: Energy/time = (1/2) (mass flow) (velocity)<sup>2</sup>
  - mass flow = density of air x area swept x velocity of air =  $\frac{1}{2} \rho \text{ AV}^3$
- \* However, turbine power P(T)=1/2  $\rho$  C<sub>p</sub>AV<sup>3</sup> where maximum of C<sub>p</sub> is known as the Betz limit = 16/27



# Wind Power, cont'd.

- $P(T) = \frac{1}{2}\rho C_p A(ref)V^3$  $\rho = air density f(z, T, humidity)$
- $V = f(x,y,z,t) = \langle V \rangle + v(fluctuating)$
- Cp = f[C(L), C(D),  $\alpha$ , drive train, generator]
- Where C(D) is blade drag coefficient
- C(L) is blade lift coefficient α is angle of attack



# Wind Power, cont'd.

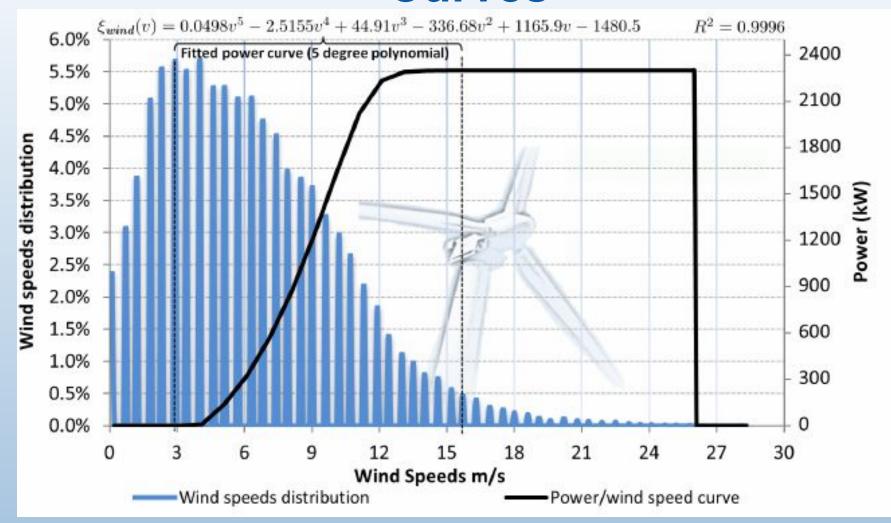
The science and technology of wind power includes:

- aerodynamics/fluid mechanics
- Material science
- Meteorology
- Mechanical design
- Power engineering
- Controls

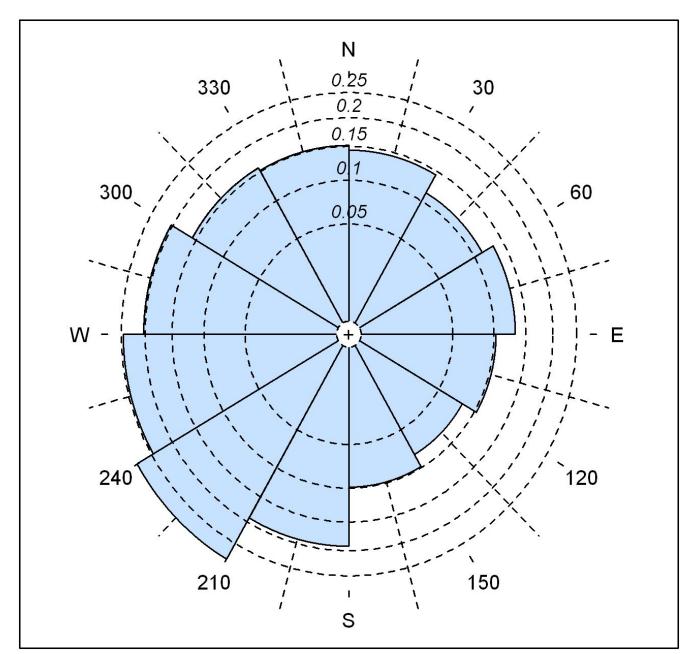
Add to these economics; aesthetics; environmental sciences.



# Theoretical and Actual Wind Power Curves



#### Wind direction distribution

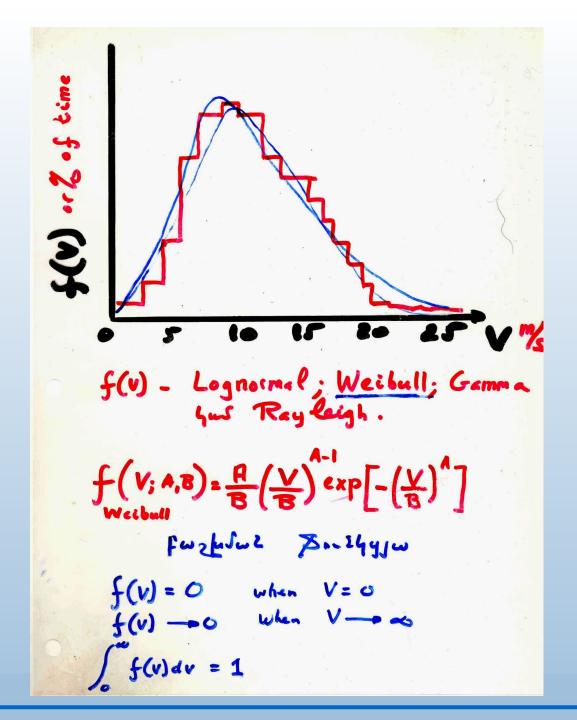


### **Instantaneous Wind Speed Sketch**



# T- Period where variations are typical 8- Time over which 7- sampling time (interval between

# Instantaneous Wind Speed Sketch



# Statistical Distribution of Wind Power

Weibull Statistics

## 6 WIND-SPEED STATISTICS

The speed of the wind is continuously changing, making it desirable to describe the wind by statistical methods. We shall pause here to examine a few of the basic concepts of probability and statistics, leaving a more detailed treatment to the many books written on the subject.

One statistical quantity which we have mentioned earlier is the average or arithmetic mean. If we have a set of numbers  $u_i$ , such as a set of measured wind speeds, the mean of the set is defined as

$$\bar{u} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} u_i \tag{15}$$

The sample size or the number of measured values is n.

Another quantity seen occasionally in the literature is the *median*. If n is odd, the median is the middle number after all the numbers have been arranged in order of size. As many numbers lie below the median as above it. If n is even the median is halfway between the two middle numbers when we rank the numbers.

In addition to the mean, we are interested in the variability of the set of numbers. We want to find the discrepancy or deviation of each number from the mean and then find some sort of average of these deviations. The mean of the deviations  $u_i - u$  is zero, which does not tell us much. We therefore square each deviation to get all positive quantities. The variance  $\sigma^2$  of the data is then defined as

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (u_i - \bar{u})^2 \tag{16}$$

The term n-1 is used rather than n for theoretical reasons we shall not discuss here [2].

The standard deviation  $\sigma$  is then defined as the square root of the variance.

standard deviation = 
$$\sqrt{\text{variance}}$$
 (17)

Example

Five measured wind speeds are 2,4,7,8, and 9 m/s. Find the mean, the variance, and the standard deviation.

$$\bar{u} = \frac{1}{5}(2+4+7+8+9) = 6.00 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\sigma^{2} = \frac{1}{4}[(2-6)^{2} + (4-6)^{2} + (7-6)^{2} + (8-6)^{2} + (9-6)^{2}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}(34) = 8.5 \text{ m}^{2}/\text{s}^{2}$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{8.5} = 2.92 \text{ m/s}$$

Wind speeds are normally measured in integer values, so that each integer value is observed many times during a year of observations. The numbers of observations of a specific wind speed  $u_i$  will be defined as  $m_i$ . The mean is then

$$\bar{u} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{w} m_i u_i \tag{18}$$

where w is the number of different values of wind speed observed and n is still the total number of observations.

It can be shown[2] that the variance is given by

= 0.703 m/s

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^w m_i u_i^2 - \frac{1}{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^w m_i u_i \right)^2 \right]$$
 (19)

The two terms inside the brackets are nearly equal to each other so full precision needs to be maintained during the computation. This is not difficult with most of the hand calculators that are available.

## Example

A wind data acquisition system located in the tradewinds on the northeast coast of Puerto Rico measures 6 m/s 19 times, 7 m/s 54 times, and 8 m/s 42 times during a given period. Find the mean, variance, and standard deviation.

$$\bar{u} = \frac{1}{115}[19(6) + 54(7) + 42(8)] = 7.20 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\sigma^2 = \{\frac{1}{114}[19(6)^2 + 54(7)^2 + 42(8)^2 - \frac{1}{115}[19(6) + 54(7) + 42(8)]^2\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{114}(6018 - 5961.600) = 0.495 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2$$

### 2.7 WEIBULL STATISTICS

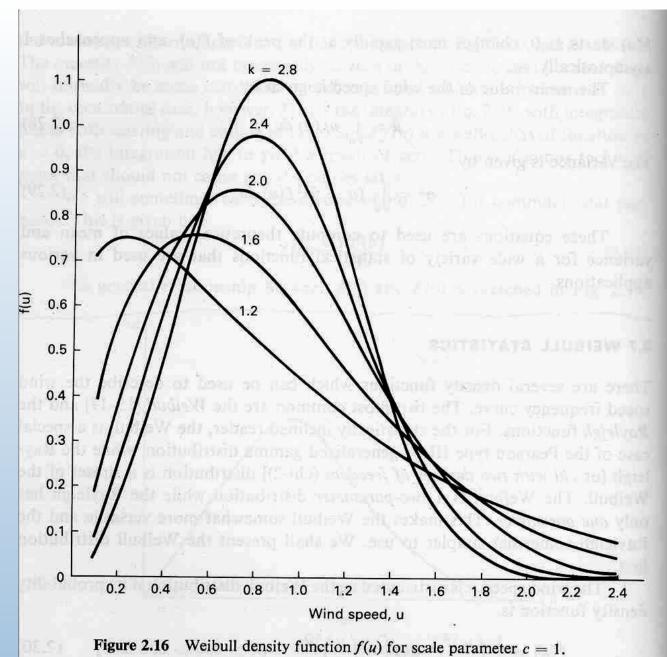
There are several density functions which can be used to describe the wind speed frequency curve. The two most common are the Weibull [15–17] and the Rayleigh functions. For the statistically inclined reader, the Weibull is a special case of the Pearson type III or generalized gamma distribution, while the Rayleigh [or chi with two degrees of freedom (chi-2)] distribution is a subset of the Weibull. The Weibull is a two-parameter distribution while the Rayleigh has only one parameter. This makes the Weibull somewhat more versatile and the Rayleigh somewhat simpler to use. We shall present the Weibull distribution first.

The wind speed u is distributed as the Weibull distribution if its probability density function is

$$f(u) = \frac{k}{c} \left(\frac{u}{c}\right)^{k-1} \exp\left[-\left(\frac{u}{c}\right)^{k}\right] \qquad (k > 0, u > 0, c > 1) \qquad (2.30)$$

We are using the expression  $\exp(x)$  to represent  $e^x$ .

This is a two-parameter distribution where c and k are the scale parameter and the shape parameter, respectively. Curves of f(u) are given in Fig. 2.16, for the scale parameter c = 1. It can be seen that the Weibull density function gets



Weibull
Density
Function
for Scale
Parameter
c = 1

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# V (m/s) 4-6 m/s · Co- effect · actual in theoretical curve · effect of velocity distribution · rpm of turbine · qusts P = Cp ? (Transmission) ? (generator) P A V ? Pr= R+ bv ( Vec V < Va) Pr: Pr for (V < V < Va)

# Theoretical and Actual Wind Power Curves

# $A_2 = A_3 = \frac{3}{2} A_1$ $A_4 = 3A_1$ A, (1) (2) (3) (4) $u_1$ 2u1 p<sub>2</sub> P<sub>1</sub> $p_3$

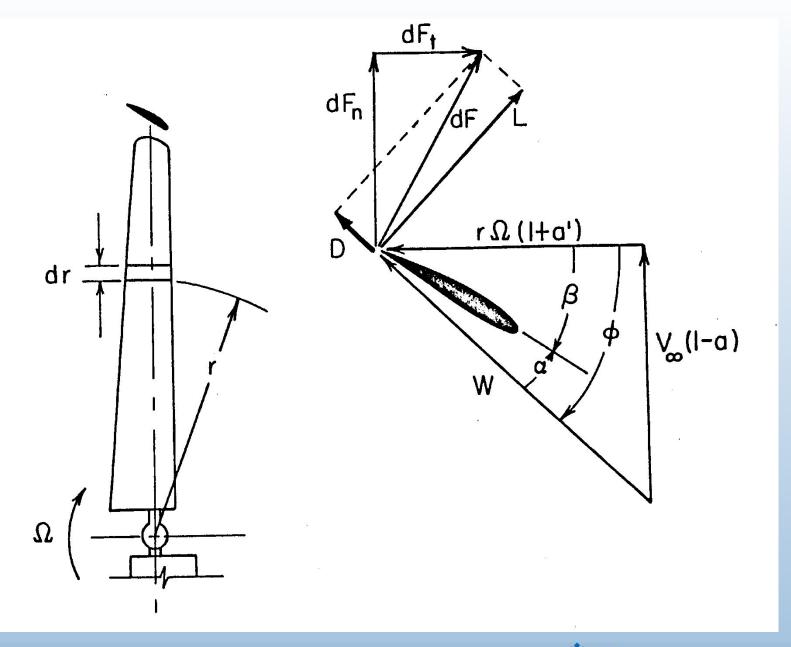
# Figure 4.2 Circular tube of air flowing through ideal wind turbine.

# The Betz Limit

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# Figure 4.2 Circular tube of air flowing through ideal wind turbine.

# The Betz Limit



# Wind Power (siting)

# **Summary of Features of Suitable Site**

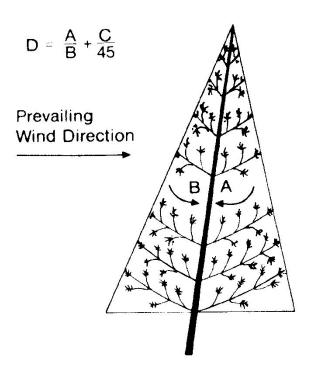
- High annual average wind speed (consult local National Weather Service Station)
- No tall obstructions upwind for a distance depending on the height
- Top of smooth well-rounded hill (with gentle slopes) on flat plain or island in a lake or sea
- Open plain, open shoreline
- Mountain gap that produces a funneling

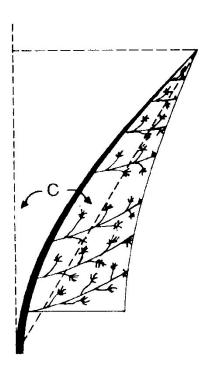


 The wind turbines are categorized into classes, corresponding to the average wind speed areas that they are designed for, see also fig. 22, thus area classes range from Class 1 - 200 W/m2 or less at 50 m height to Class 7, 800 ÷ 2000 W/m2. Most of the large wind farms are sited for Class 3 or higher geographical areas, although Class 1 area will be of the most interest for architects. Wind turbines are classified by the wind speed they are designed for, from class I to class IV, with A or B referring to the turbulence. **National Renewable Energy Laboratory** 

 Necessary to remember that the efficiency of the wind turbines are restricted by Betz Limit, approximately equal to 59%. Usually wind turbines are fulfilling only about 65-85% of this range, thus it is accepted to talk about coefficient of Performance - COP, and not efficiency. Thus the most turbines have COP of 0.65 - 0.85.

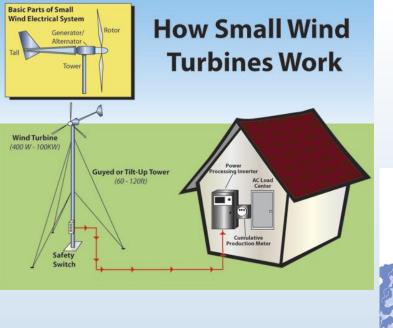


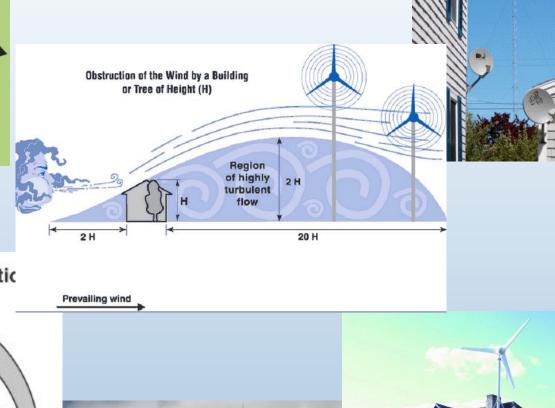


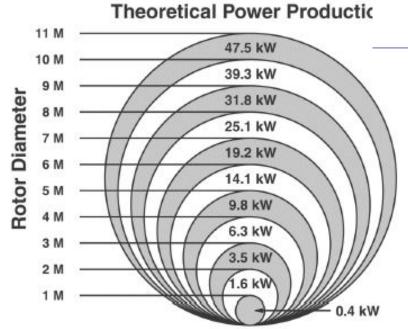


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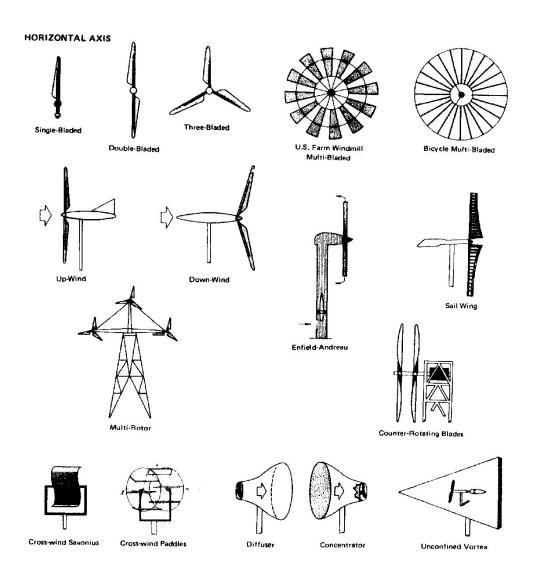
Figure 2-16. Deformation Ratio Computed as a Measure of the Degree of Flagging and Throwing

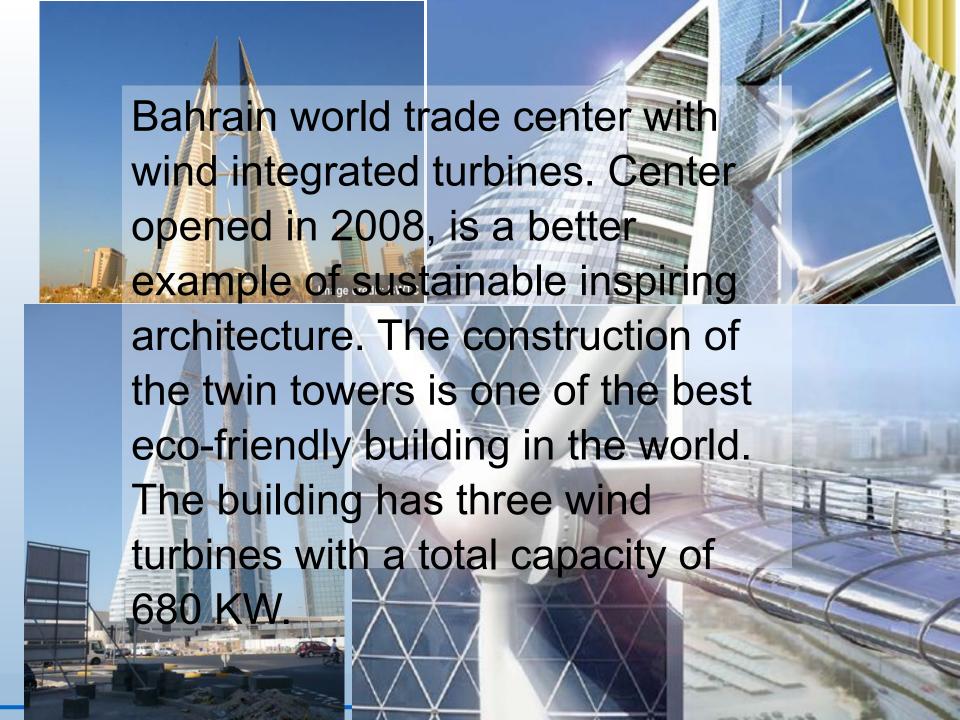






# **TAXONOMY**







### VERTICAL AXIS

### PRIMARILY DRAG-TYPE









Savonius

Multi-Bladed Savonius

Plates

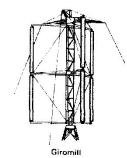
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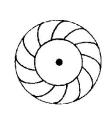
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△ Darrieus





Turbine

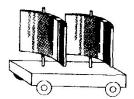
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COMBINATIONS









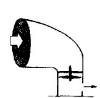
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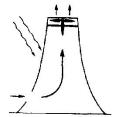
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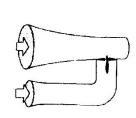
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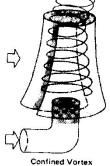
Airfoil

### OTHERS









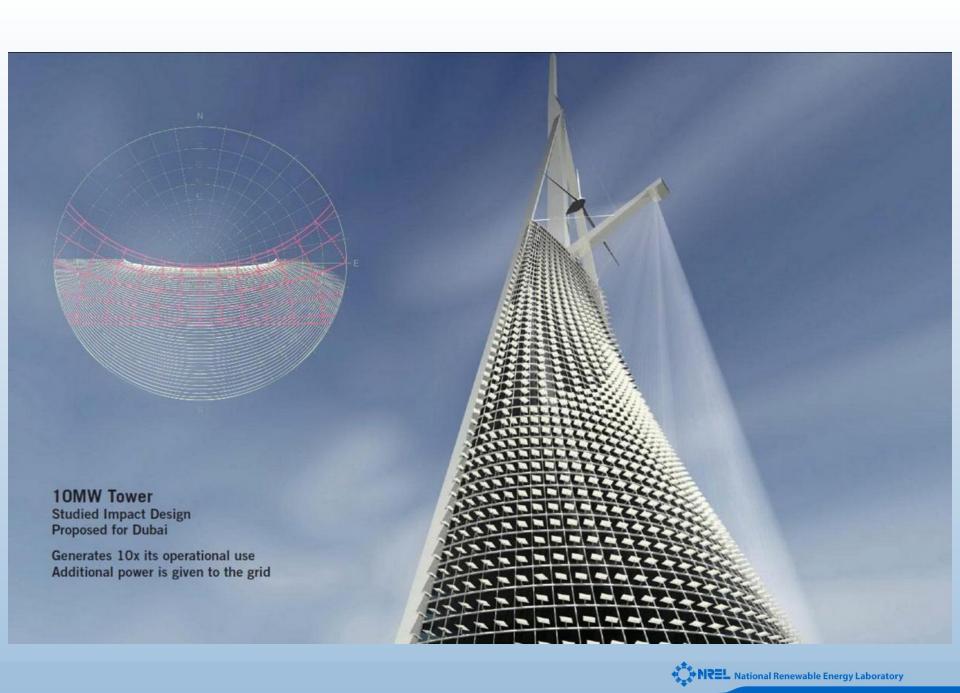
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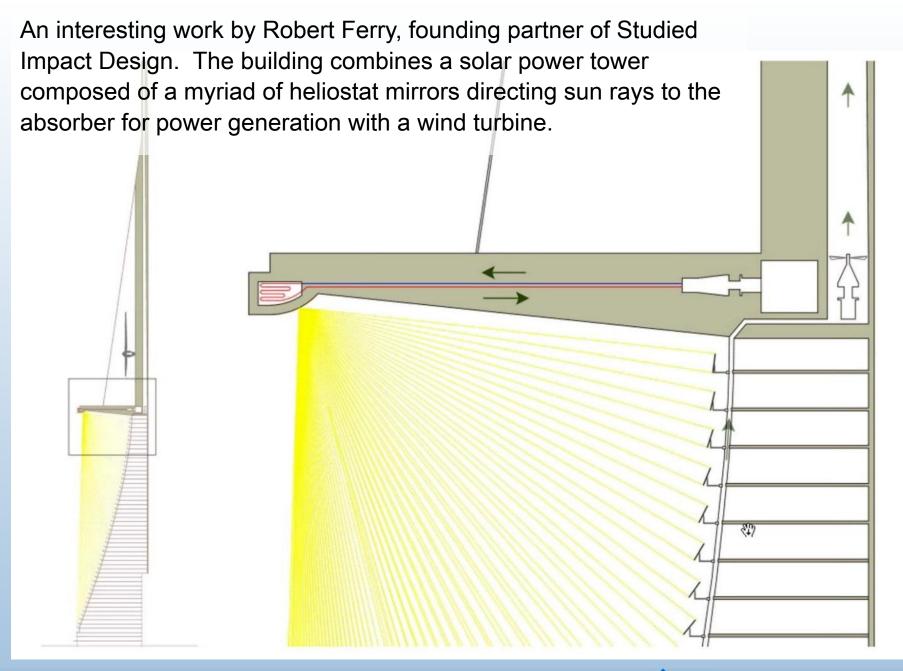
Sunlight

Venturi









# **Homework - Wind**

- A wind-data acquisition system located at Kahuku Point, Hawaii, measures 8 m/s 24 times, 9 m/s 72 times, 10 m/s 85 times, 12 m/s 48 times, and 13 m/s 9 times during a given period. Find the mean, variance, and standard deviations.
- A turbine is rated at 100 KW at 16 m/s and 50 KW at 12 m/s. The area is  $200\text{m}^2$ . Compute the rated overall efficiency  $\eta$  at each rating when  $\rho$  =1,294 kg/m<sup>3</sup>.
- Derive Betz Limit formula.

