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Energia da onda nell'offshore italiano: tecnologie a confronto

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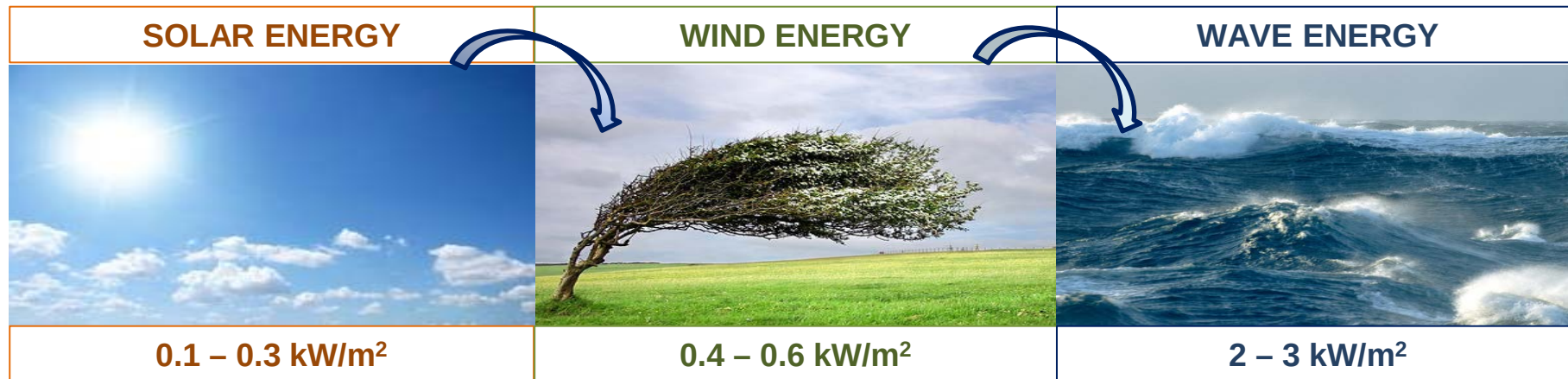
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OCEAN WAVES AS ENERGY RESOURCE

Waves result from the integrated action of **wind** over large ocean areas

Waves are an indirect form of **solar** energy



Falnes, 2007

Predictable

High availability

Low land use

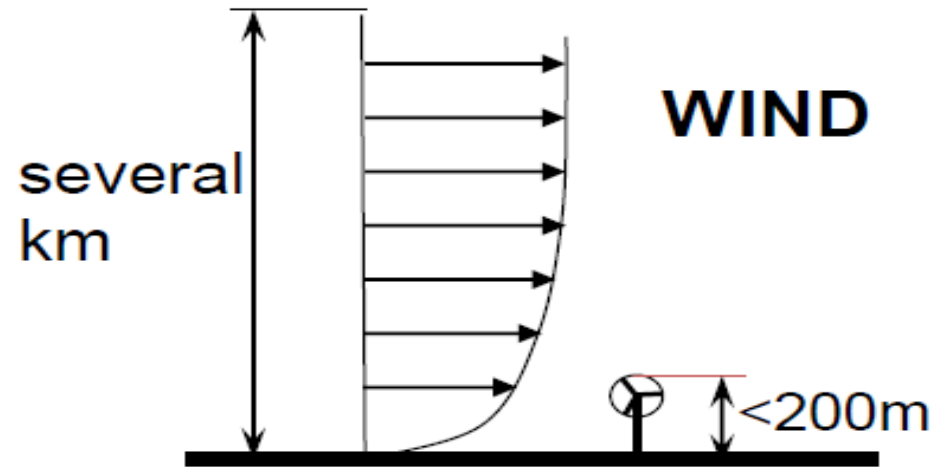
**Why ocean
wave energy ?**

High energy flux

Low visual impact

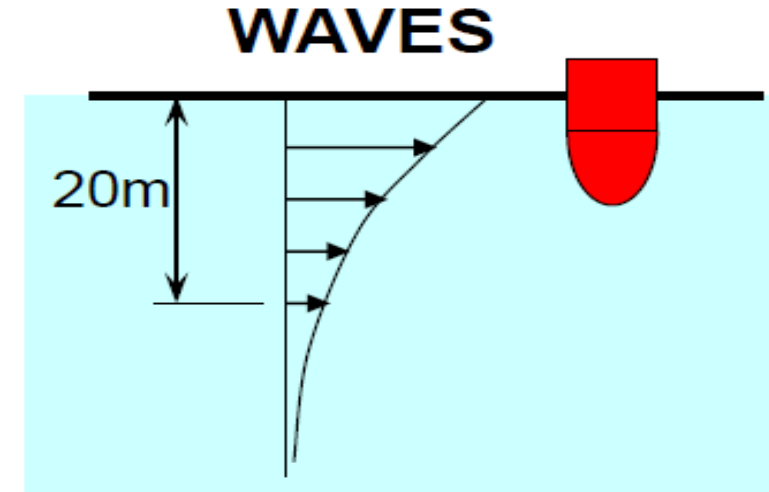
Persistent

WAVE VS WIND ENERGY



The wind velocity profile extends over several km.

Wind farms explore only a tiny sublayer



Wave energy is concentrated near the surface.

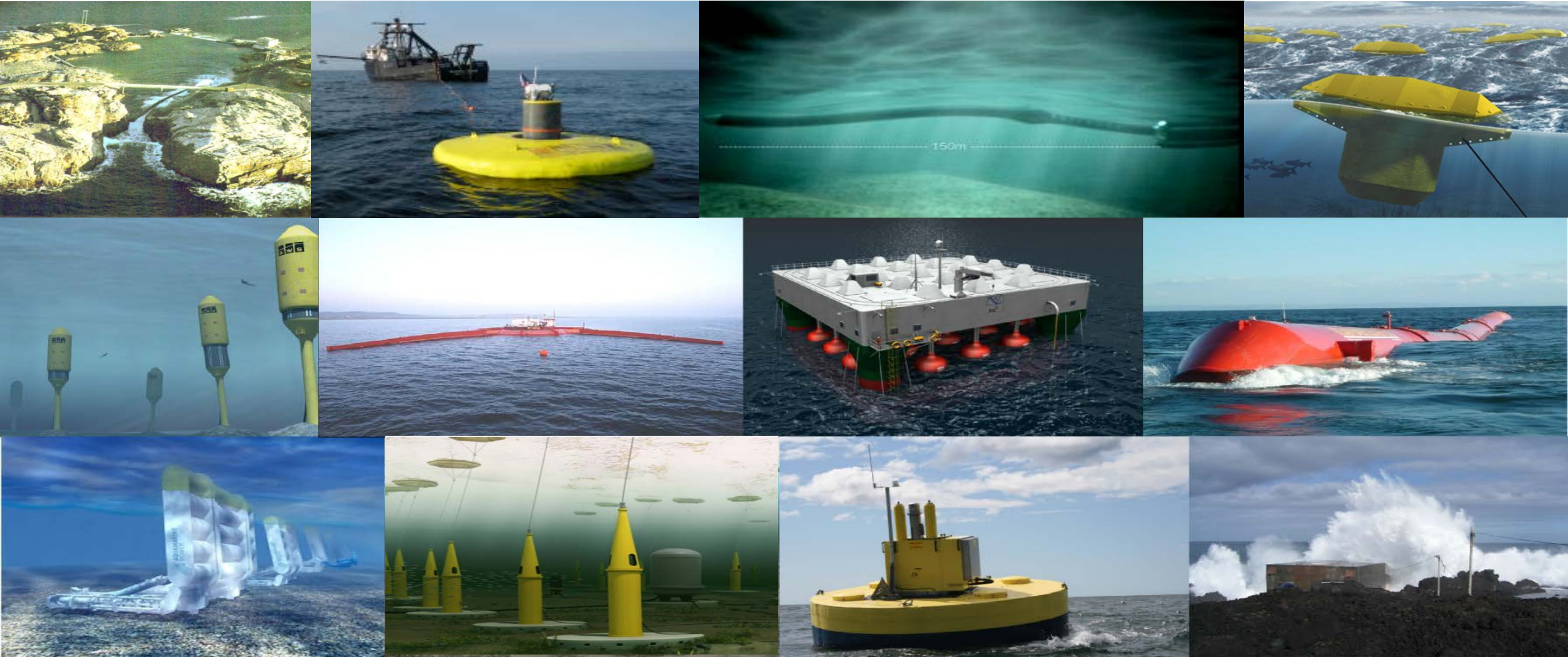
Wave farms can absorb a large part of the wave energy flux.

Wave energy flux per unit vertical area near the surface is about **5 times** larger than **wind energy flux**

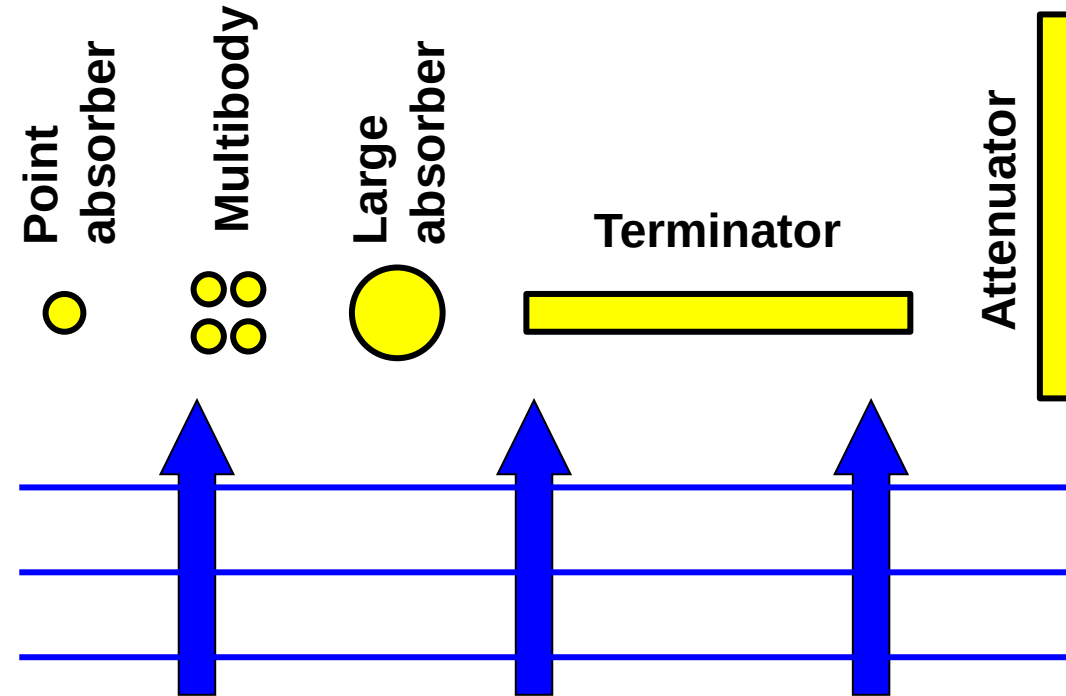
Waves are a more concentrated form of energy than wind

WAVE ENERGY CONVERTERS (WECs)

Unlike the case of wind technologies there are several effective ways of absorbing energy from waves ...
... there is a wide range of wave energy devices, at different development stages, competing against each other

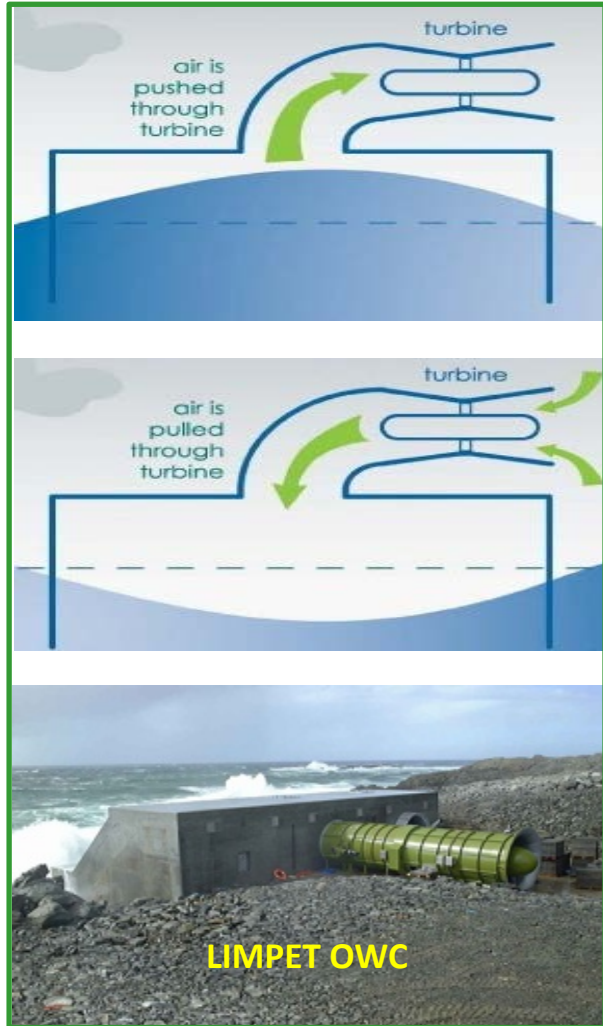


WAVE ENERGY CONVERTERS: CLASSIFICATION



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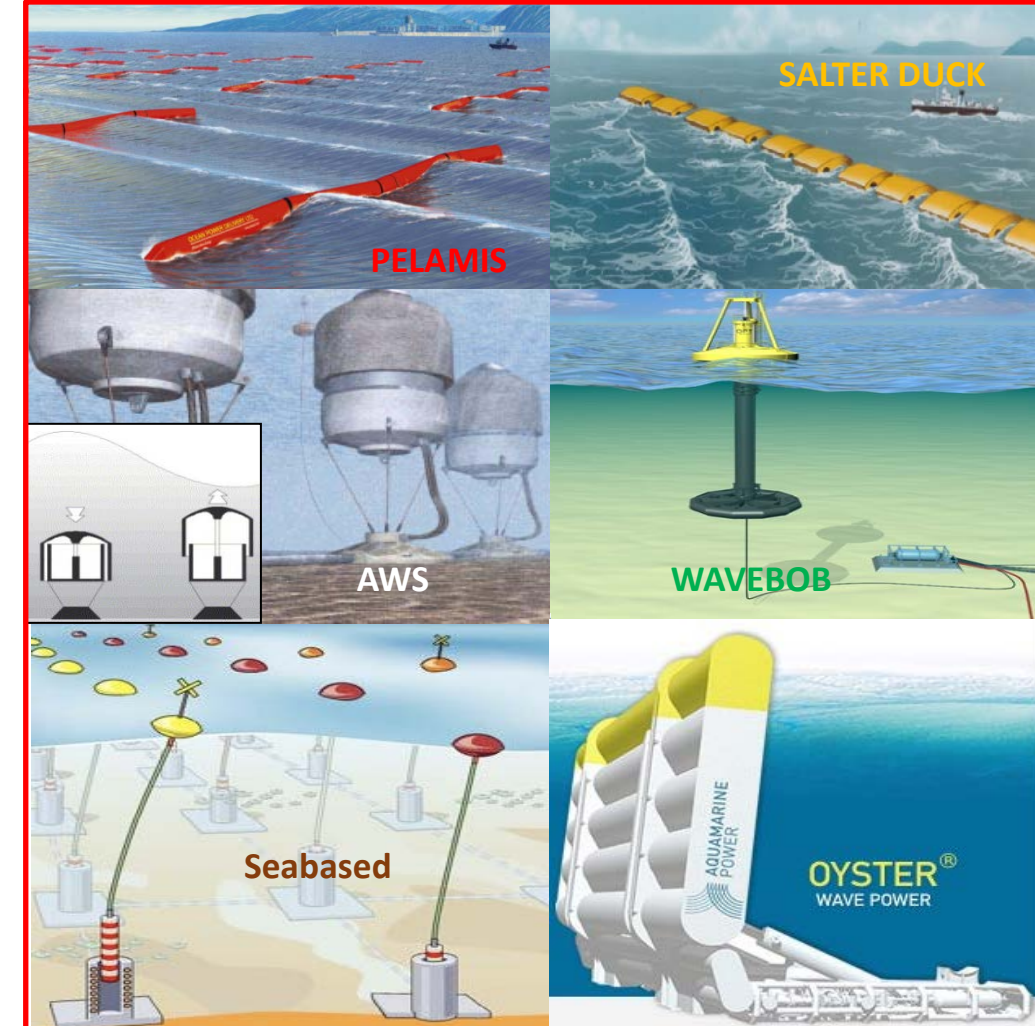
OSCILLATING WATER COLUMNS



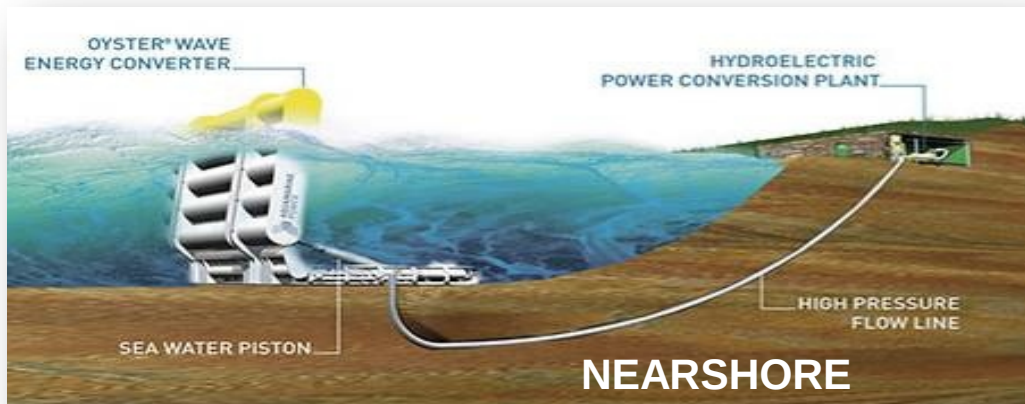
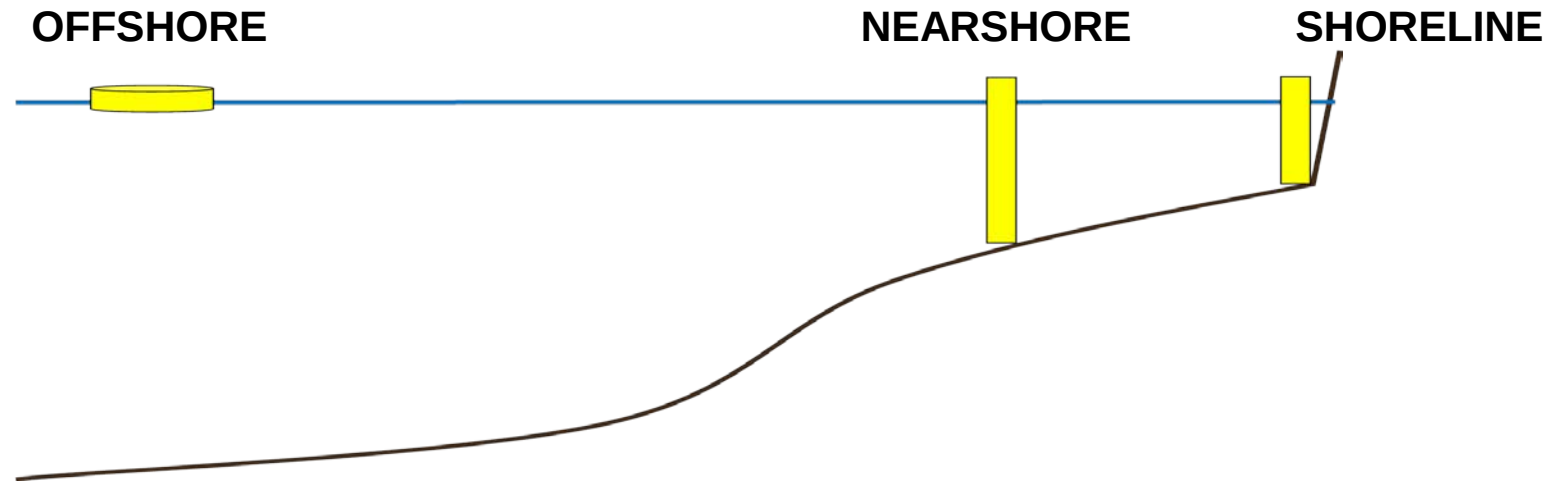
OVERTOPPING SYSTEMS



WAVE ACTIVATED BODIES

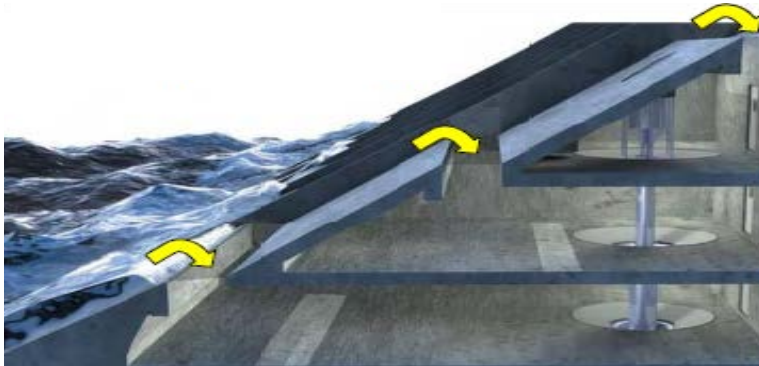


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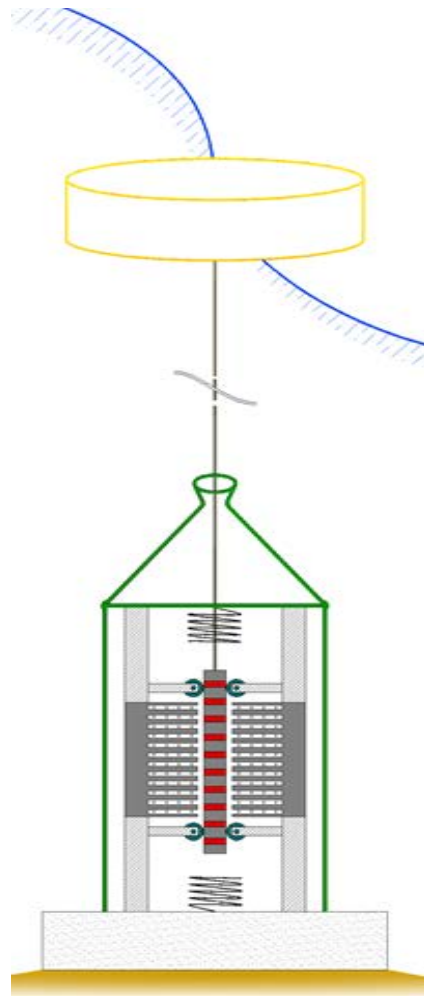


WAVE ENERGY CONVERTERS: CLASSIFICATION

Low-head hydraulic turbines



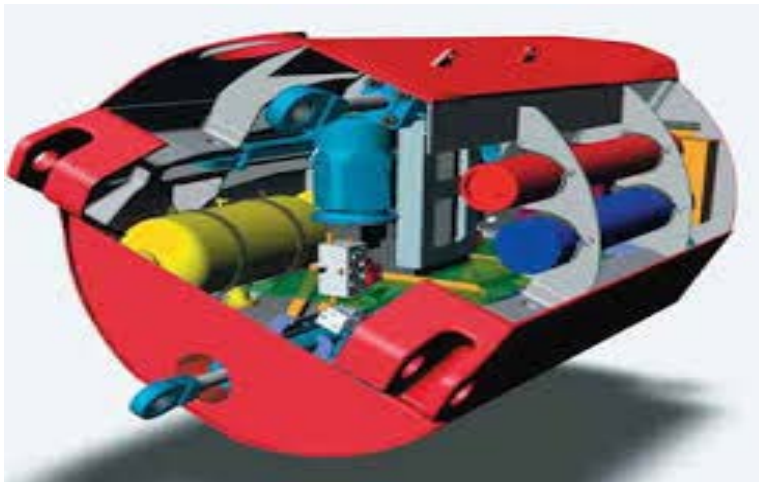
Linear electric generator



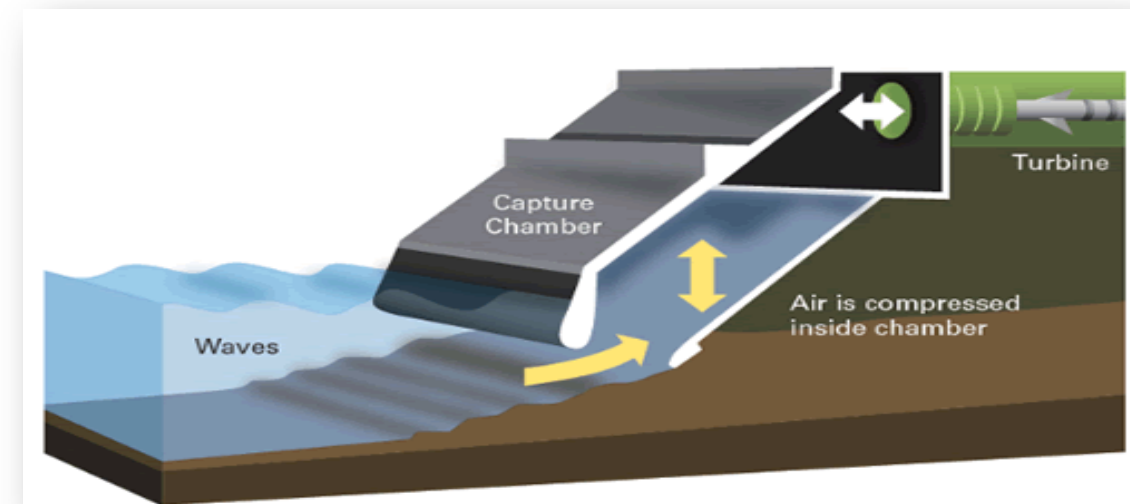
High-head hydraulic turbines



High-pressure oil PTO



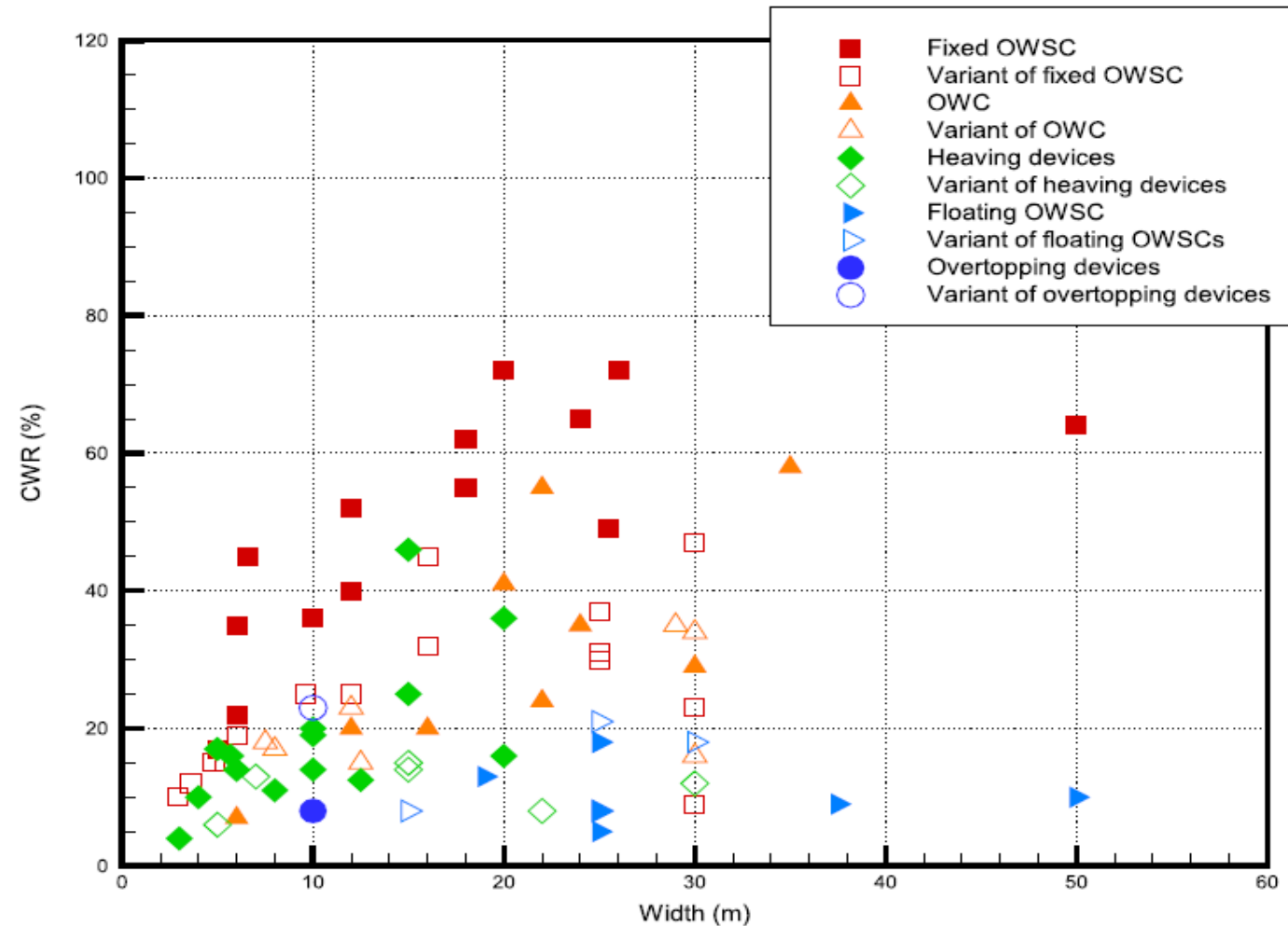
Air turbines



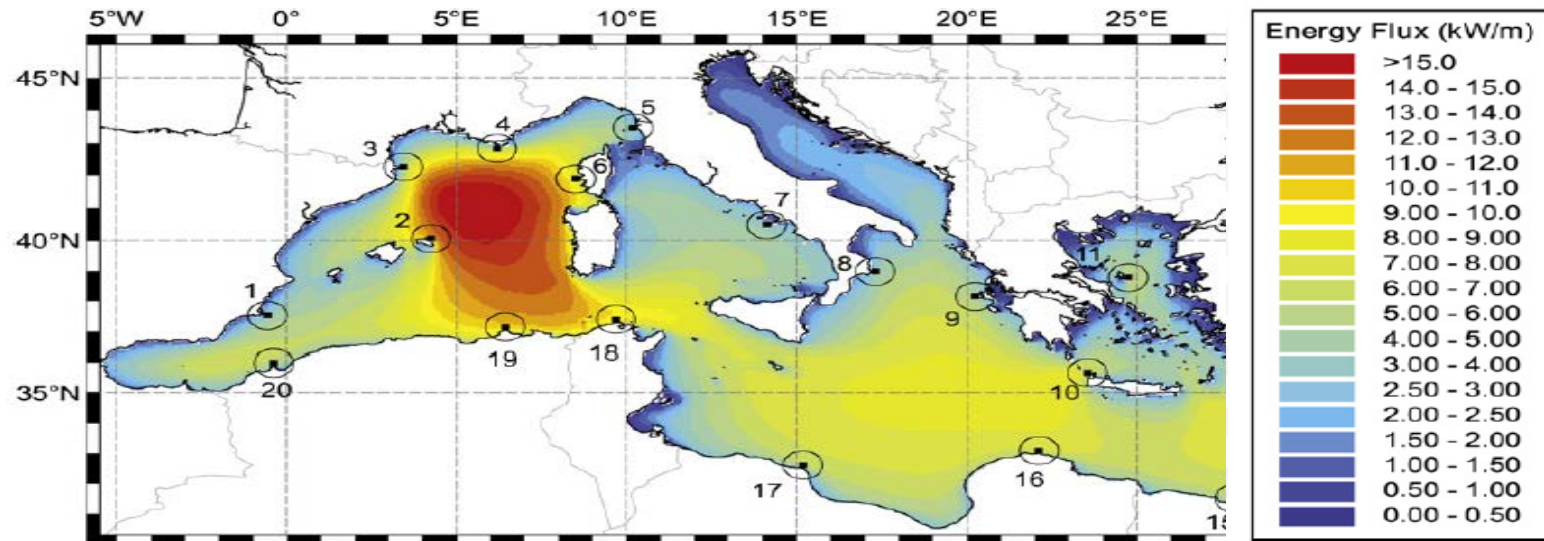
WAVE ENERGY CONVERTERS: EFFICIENCY

$$\text{CAPTURE WIDTH RATIO} = \frac{\text{Absorbed power}}{\text{Incident power} * \text{device width}} = \text{Fraction of wave power flowing through the device that is absorbed}$$

The amount of energy that can be extracted from waves depends on the technology



WAVE ENERGY IN ITALY: THE RESOURCE



Liberti et al., 2013

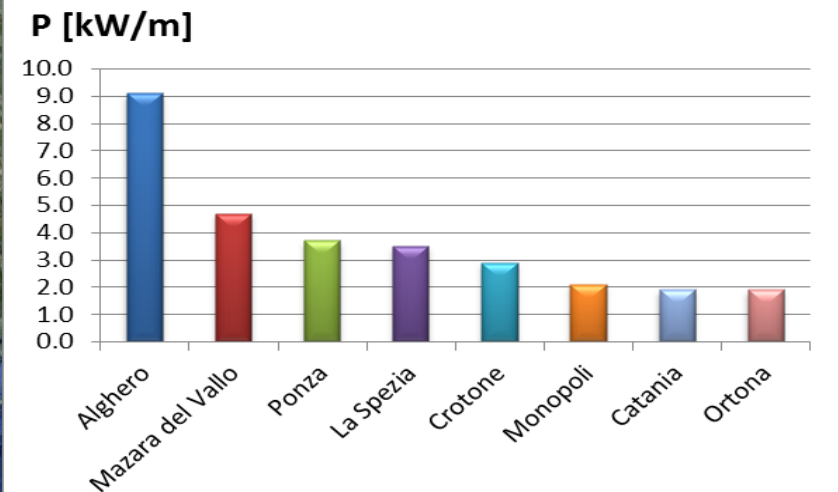
Wave energy potential of the
Mediterranean basin

30 GW

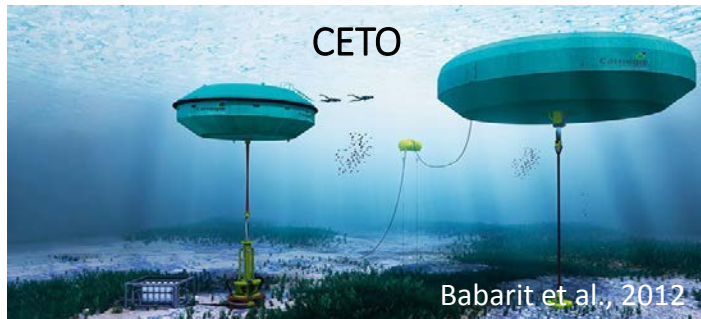
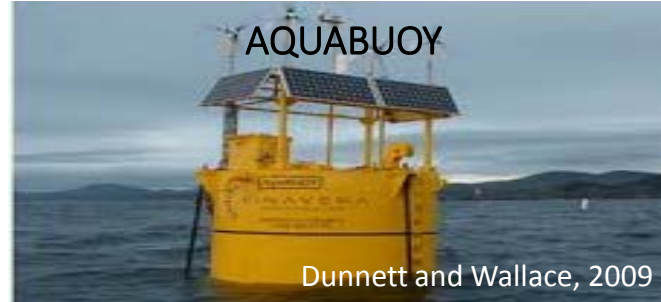
Wave energy potential off the
Italian coasts:

Sea of Sardinia
12 kW/m

Strait of Sicily
7 kW/m



WAVE ENERGY IN ITALY: A FEASIBILITY STUDY



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PTO

Hydraulic motor

Pelamis
Wavebob
Wavestar

Hydraulic turbine

AquaBuOY
Wave dragon
Oyster
CETO

Linear generator

Seabased

Location

Offshore

AquaBuOY
Pelamis
Wave dragon
Wavebob
Seabased

Nearshore

Oyster
CETO
Wavestar

Size

Point absorber

AquaBuOY
Wavebob
Seabased
CETO
Wavestar

Attenuator

Pelamis

Terminator

Oyster
Wave dragon

Working principle

Heave

AquaBuOY
Pelamis
Wavebob
Seabased
CETO
Wavestar

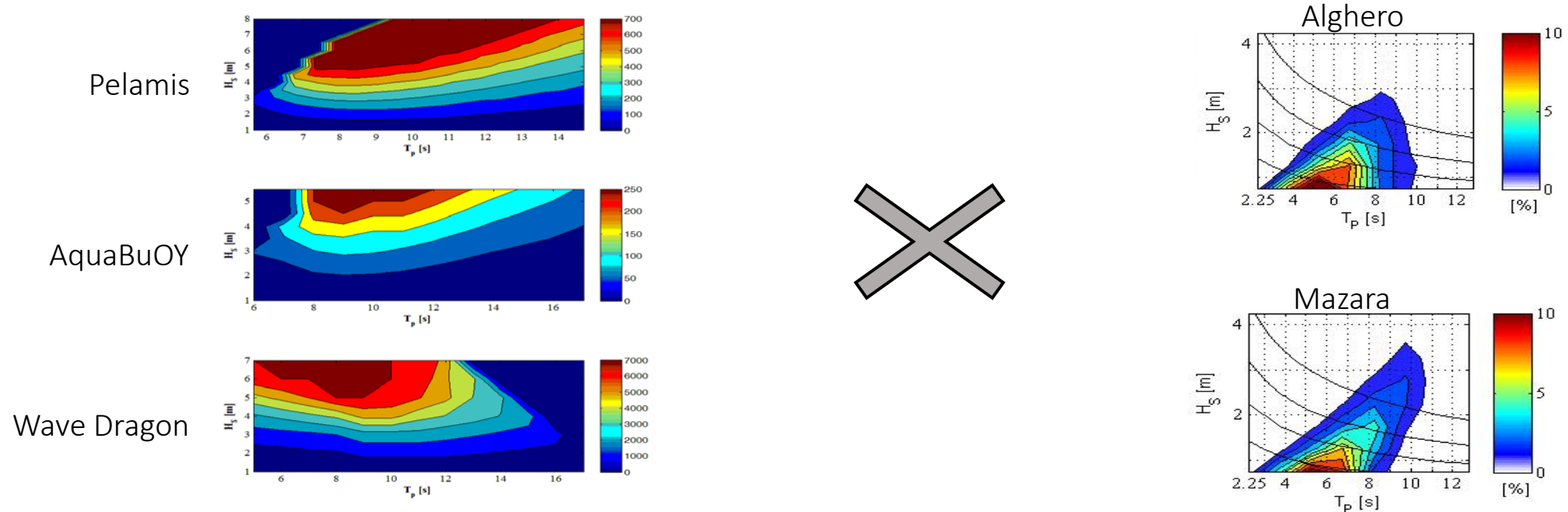
Pitch

Oyster

Overtopping

Wave dragon

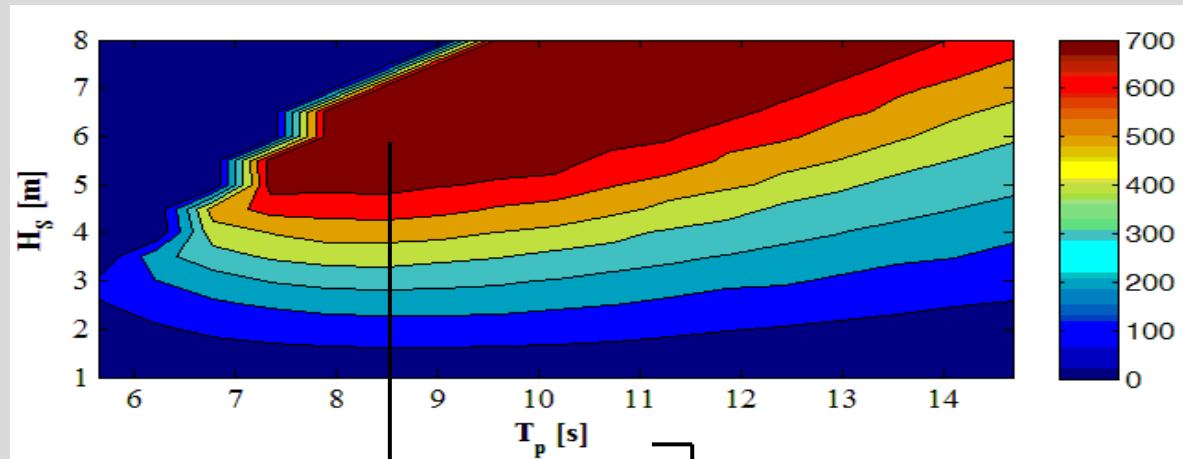
WAVE ENERGY IN ITALY: A FEASIBILITY STUDY



	Alghero			Mazara		
	AquaBuOY	Pelamis	Wave Dragon	AquaBuOY	Pelamis	Wave Dragon
Rated power[kW]	250	750	7000	250	750	7000
Mean power [kW]	22	71	616	9	32	270
Annual energy production[MWh]	192	619	5400	81	278	2362
Capacity factor [%]	8.7%	9.4%	8.8%	3.7%	4.2%	3.9%

WAVE ENERGY IN ITALY: A FEASIBILITY STUDY

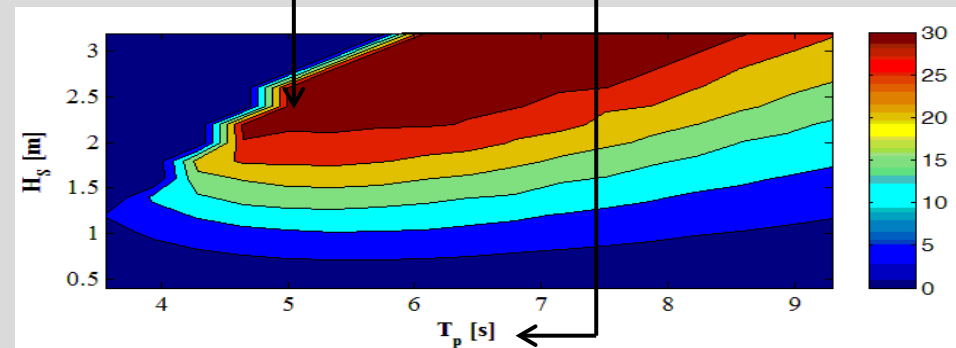
Resizing ... to tailor the devices for the Italian wave climate



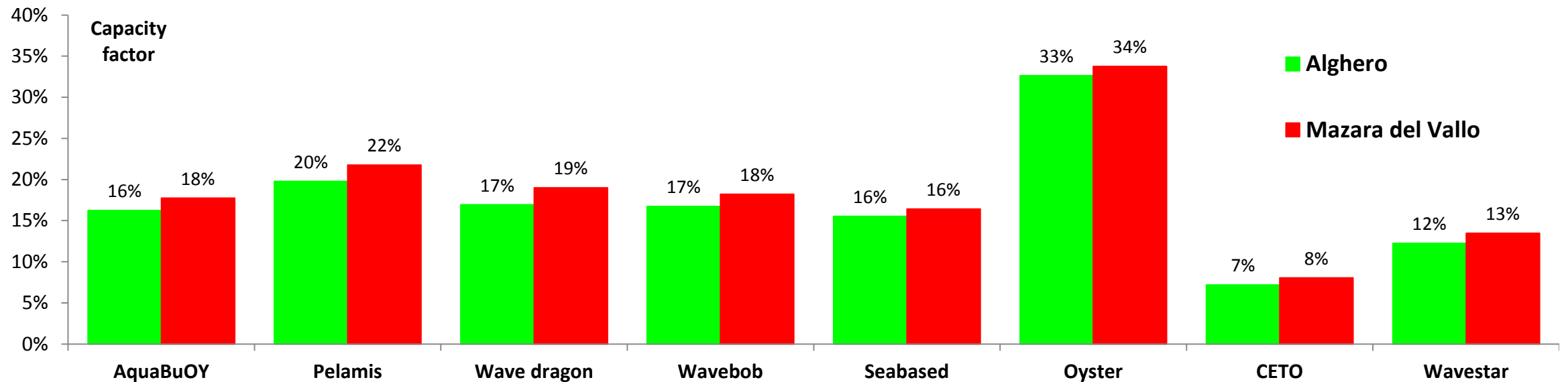
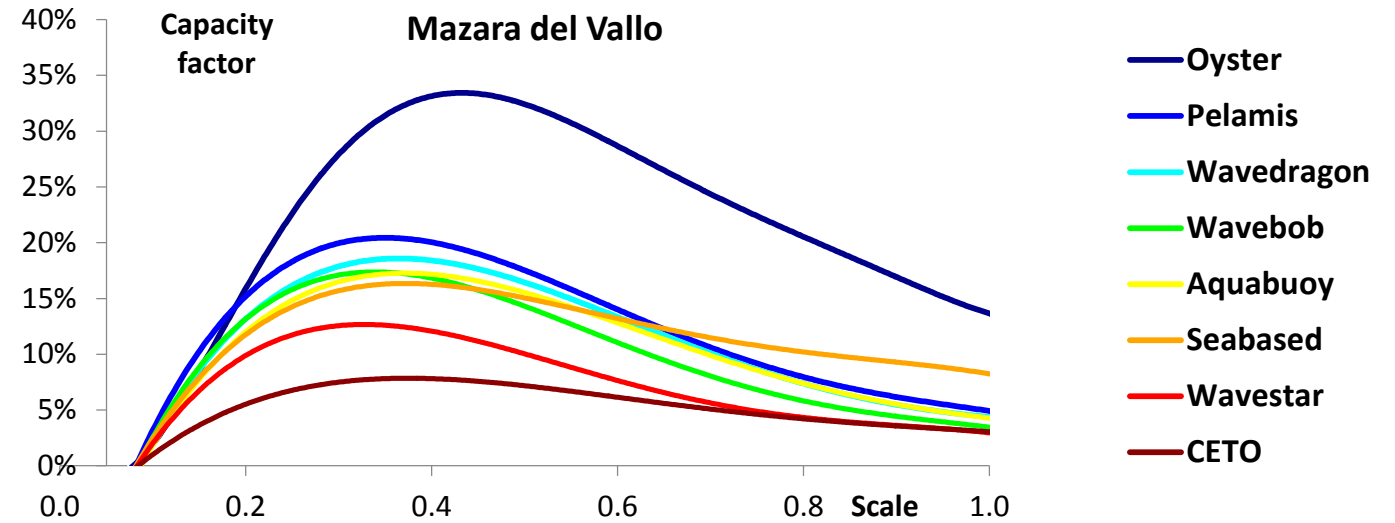
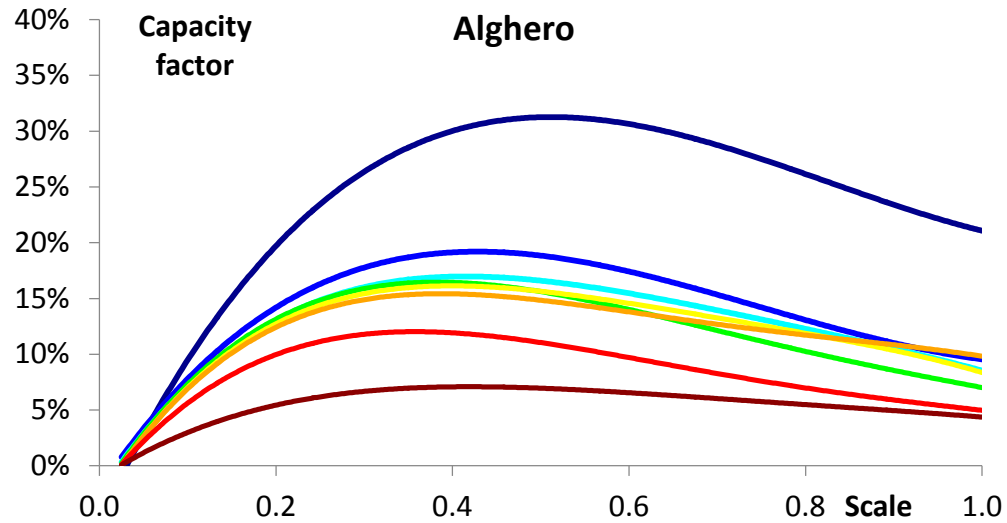
$$H_s \propto \lambda$$

$$P \propto \lambda^{3.5}$$

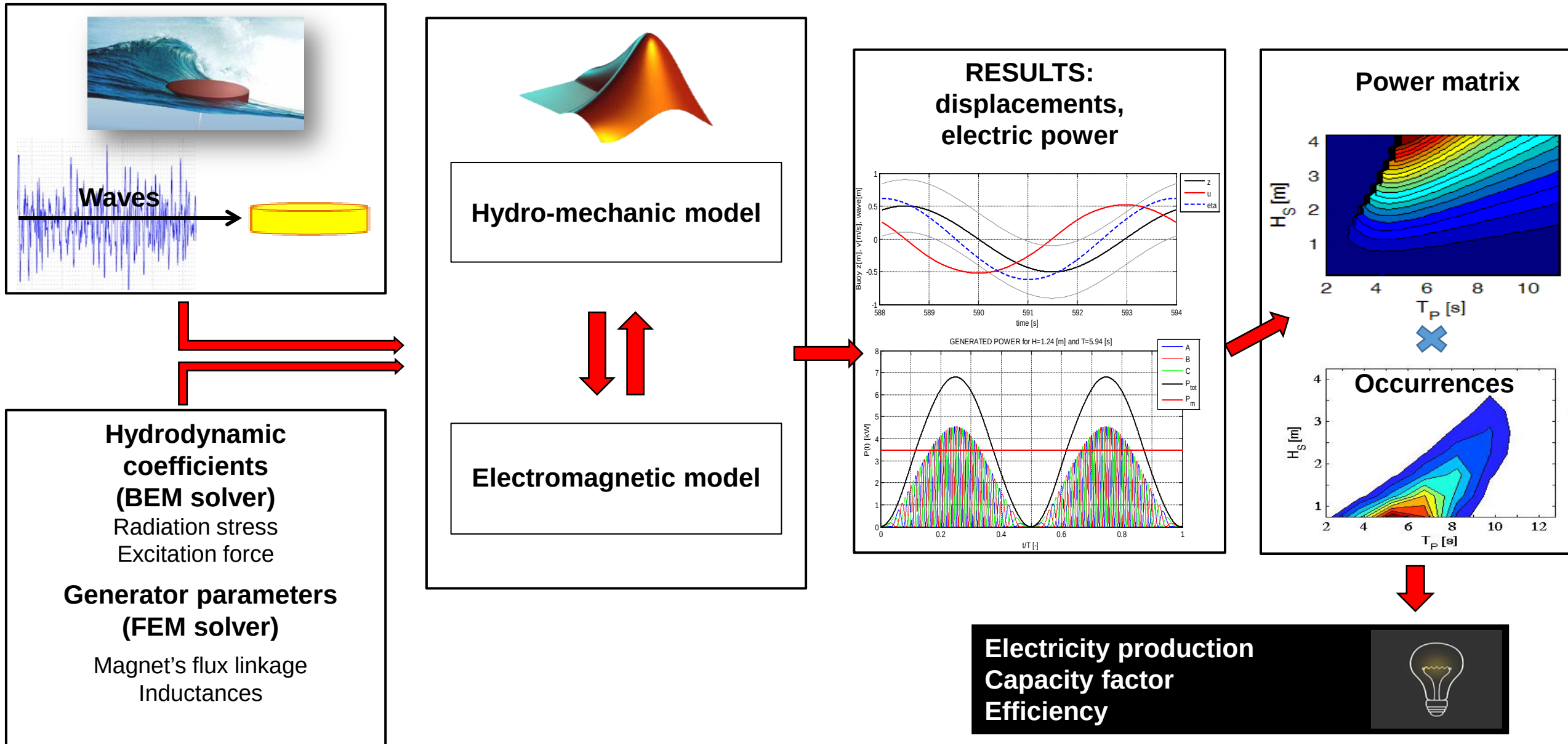
$$T_p \propto \lambda^{0.5}$$



WAVE ENERGY IN ITALY: A FEASIBILITY STUDY



WAVE ENERGY CONVERSION MODELLING

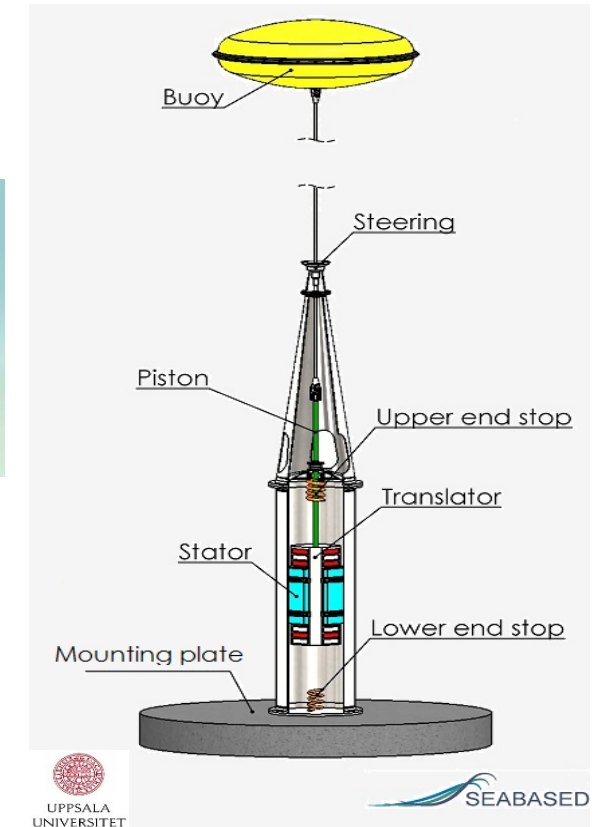
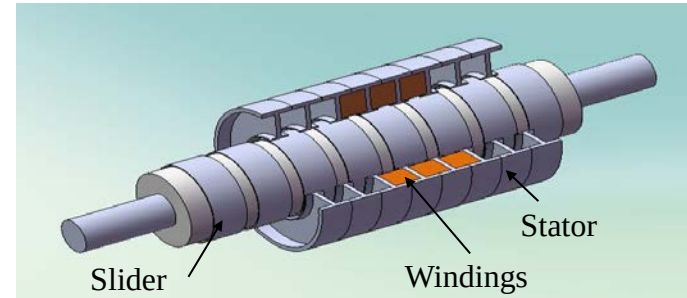


SINGLE-BODY HEAVING POINT ABSORBER

ASSUMPTIONS

- Linear wave theory
- Regular waves
- 1D approximation
- Heave motion

NUMERICAL MODEL



HYDRODYNAMIC
FORCES

ELECTROMAGNETIC FORCE

MECHANICAL FORCE

$$m \cdot \ddot{z} = F_{exc}(t) + F_{rad}(t, \dot{z}, \ddot{z}) + F_H(t, z) + F_{drag}(t, \dot{z}) + F_{GEN}(t, z, \dot{z}, i) + F_{spring}(t, z)$$

Equation
of motion

$$emf_{ph}(t, z, \dot{z}) = R_t \cdot i_{ph}(t, z, \dot{z}) + L \cdot \frac{di_{ph}}{dt}$$

Electromagnetic model

DUAL-BODY HEAVING POINT ABSORBER

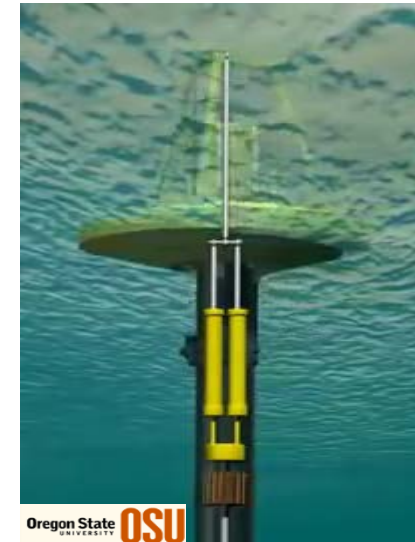
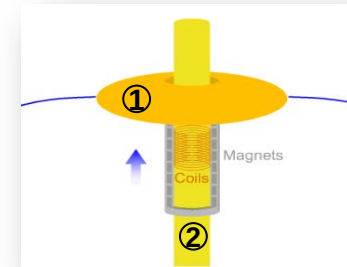
Assumptions:

- Linear wave theory
- Regular waves
- Heave motion

Equation of motion

$$M_1 \ddot{z}_1 = F_{exc1}(t) + F_{rad11}(t, \dot{z}_1, \ddot{z}_1) + F_{rad12}(t, \dot{z}_2, \ddot{z}_2) + F_{drag1}(t, \dot{z}_1, \dot{\eta}) + F_{H1}(t, z_1) + F_{gen1}(t, z, \dot{z}, i)$$

$$M_2 \ddot{z}_2 = F_{exc2}(t) + F_{rad21}(t, \dot{z}_1, \ddot{z}_1) + F_{rad22}(t, \dot{z}_2, \ddot{z}_2) + F_{drag2}(t, \dot{z}_2, \dot{\eta}) + F_{H2}(t, z_2) + F_{moor2}(t, z_2) + F_{gen2}(t, z, \dot{z}, i)$$



Coupling

$$F_{gen} = \sum_{A,B,C} \frac{emf \cdot i}{\dot{z}}$$

Electromagnetic model

$$emf_A(t, z, \dot{z}) = R_t i_A(t, z, \dot{z}) + L_{AA} \frac{di_A}{dt} + L_{AB} \frac{di_B}{dt} + L_{AC} \frac{di_C}{dt}$$

$$emf_B(t, z, \dot{z}) = R_t i_B(t, z, \dot{z}) + L_{BA} \frac{di_A}{dt} + L_{BB} \frac{di_B}{dt} + L_{BC} \frac{di_C}{dt}$$

$$emf_C(t, z, \dot{z}) = R_t i_C(t, z, \dot{z}) + L_{CA} \frac{di_A}{dt} + L_{CB} \frac{di_B}{dt} + L_{CC} \frac{di_C}{dt}$$

APPLICATION TO ITALIAN SEAS

National wave metric network

8 Italian locations

Wave climate characterization

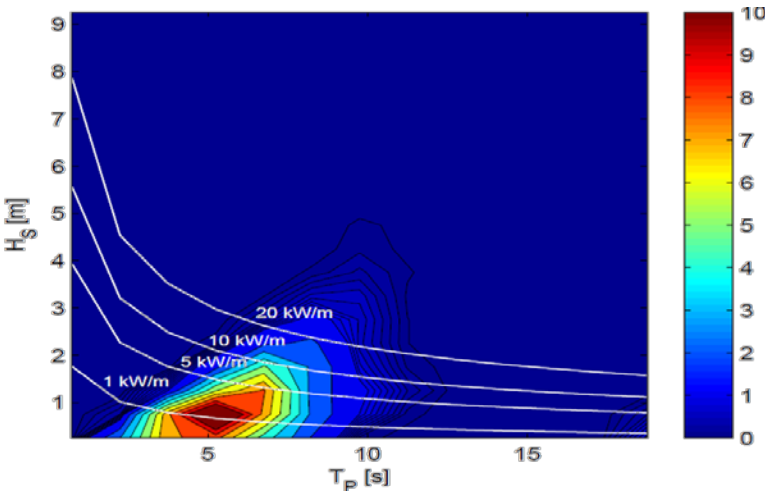


Simulated sea states

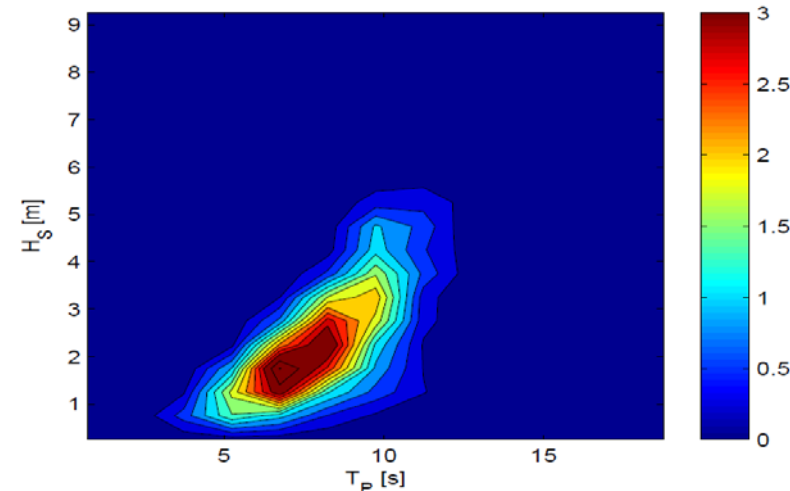
$$0.25 \text{ m} \leq H_s \leq 5 \text{ m}$$

$$2 \text{ s} \leq T_p \leq 12 \text{ s}$$

Occurrences [%]



Energy [MWh/m]



APPLICATION TO ITALIAN SEAS

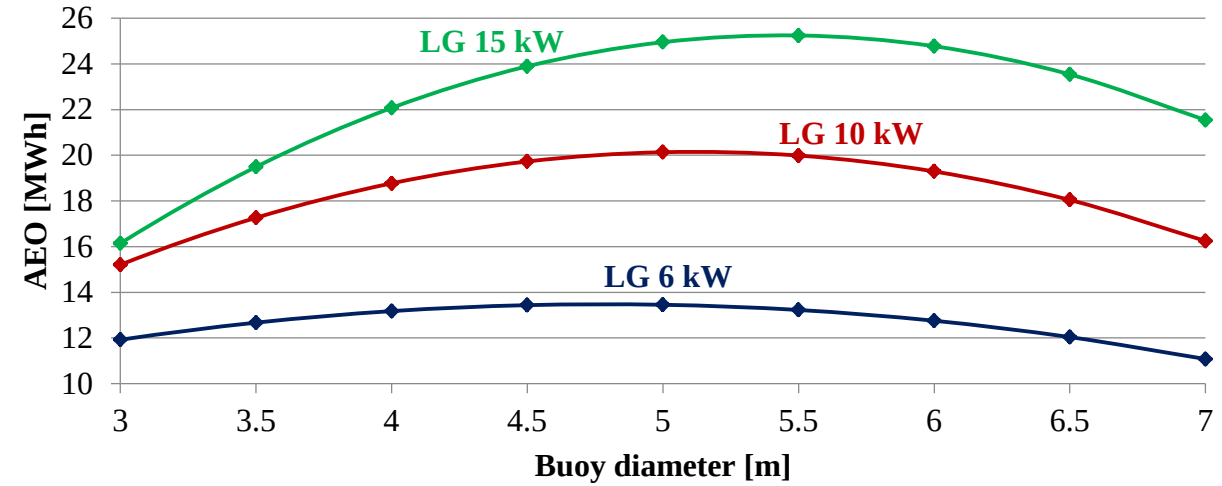
Target parameters

$$AEO = \sum_{hk} MP_{hk} Hour_{hk} [MWh]$$

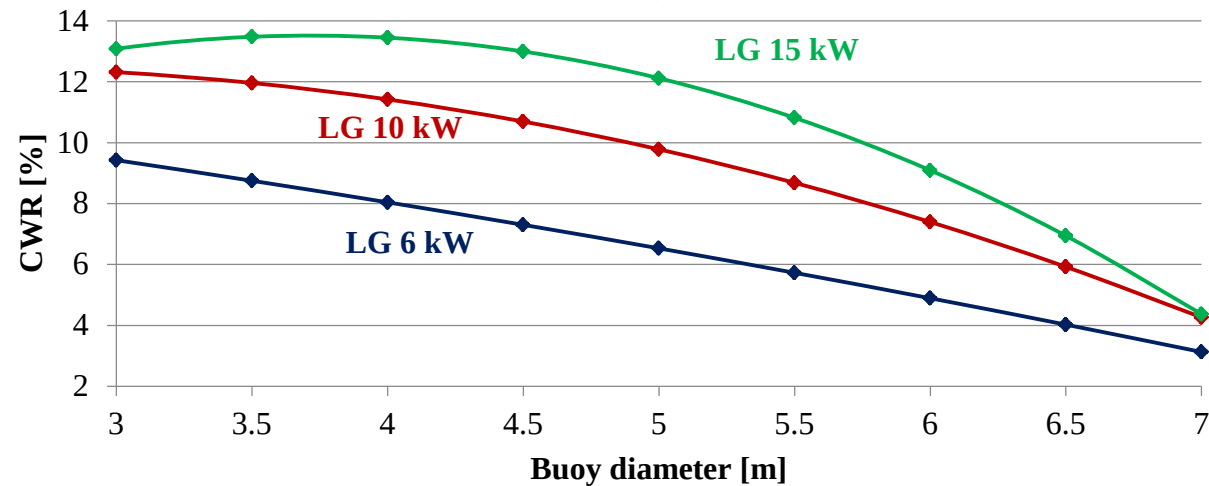
$$CF = \frac{AEO/8760}{NP} [\%]$$

$$CWR = \frac{AEO/8760}{J D} [\%]$$

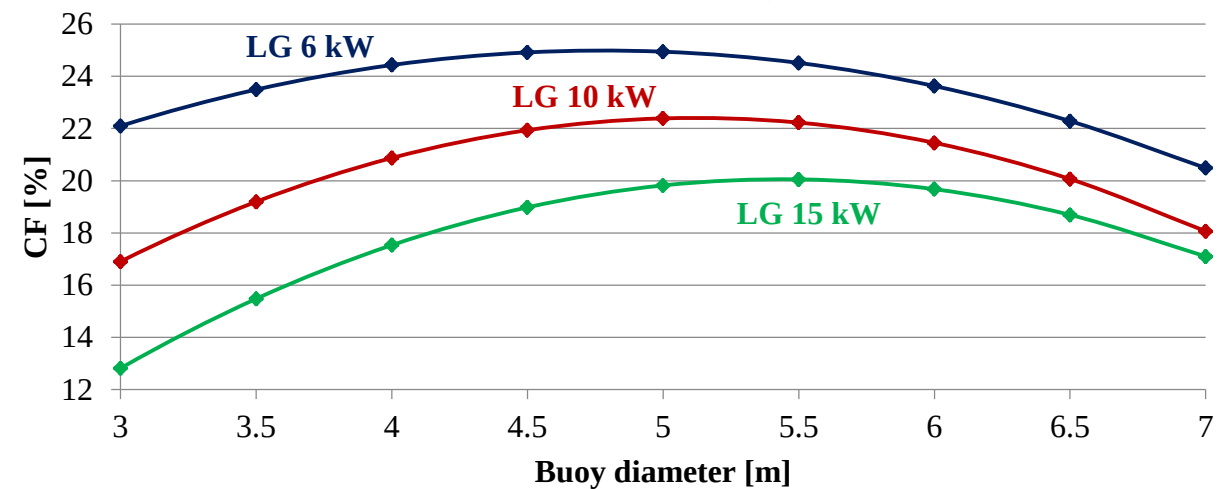
ANNUAL ENERGY OUTPUT (AEO) - Mazara



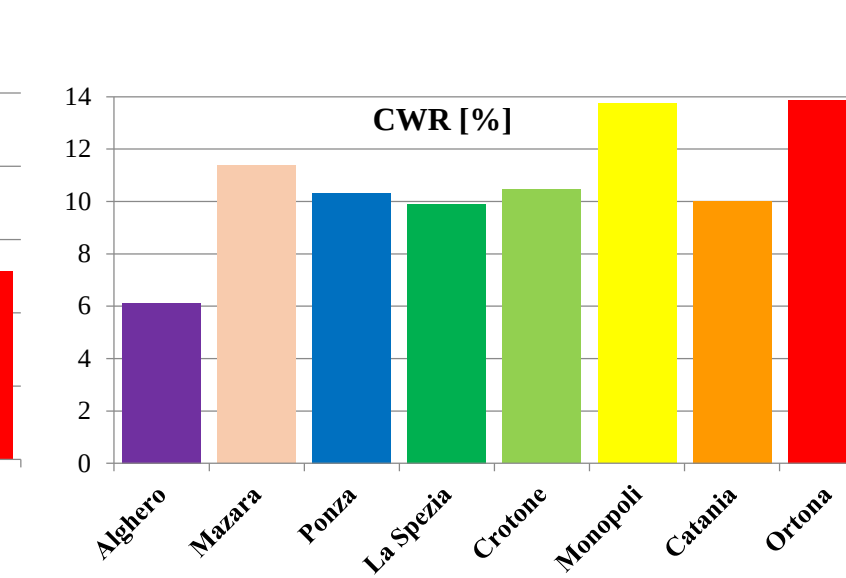
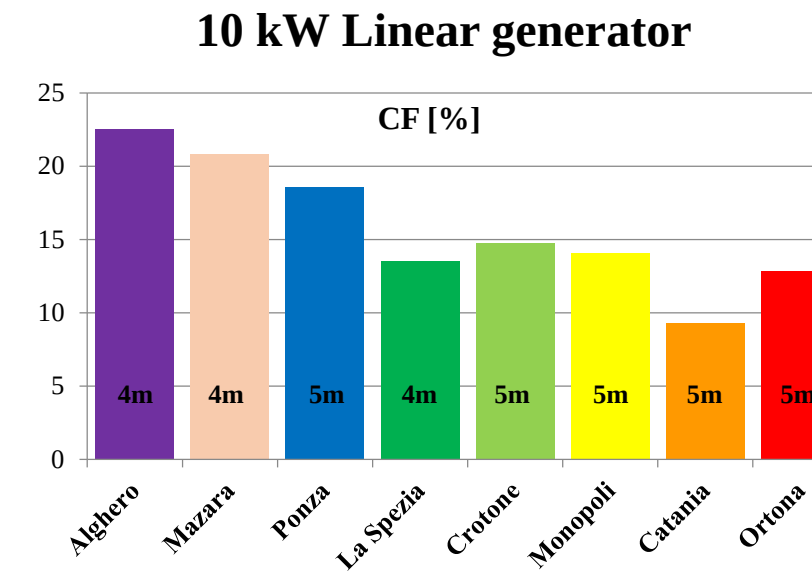
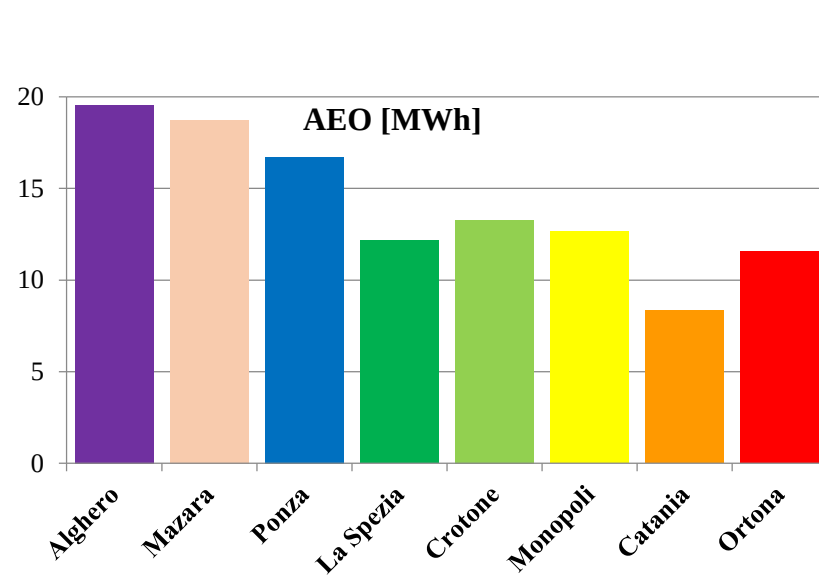
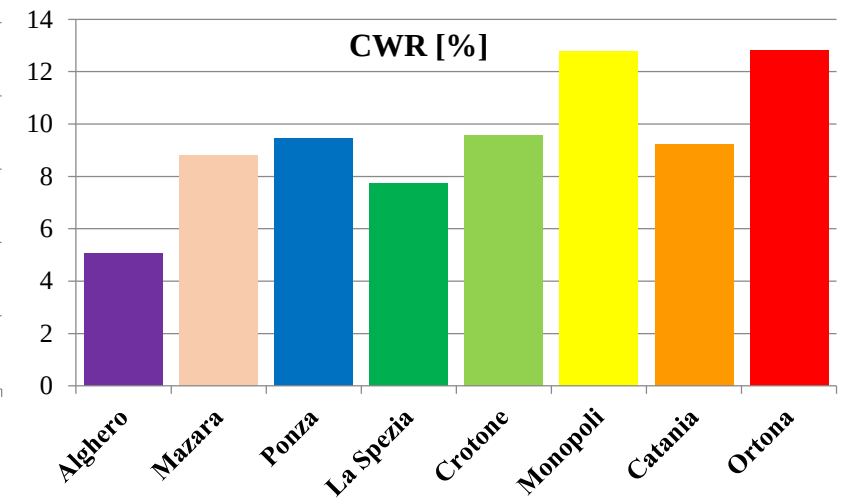
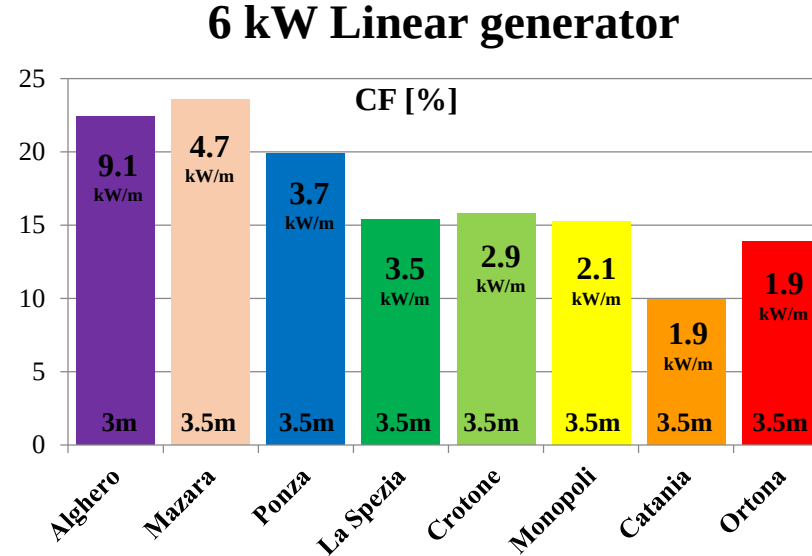
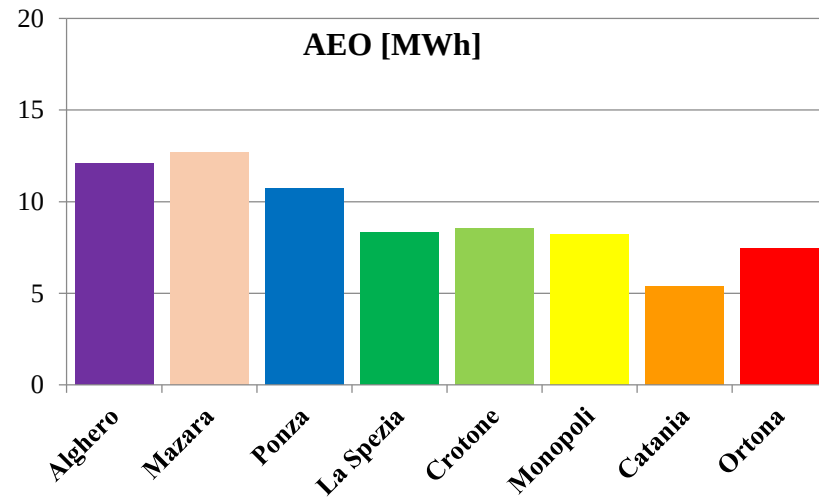
EFFICIENCY (CWR) - Mazara



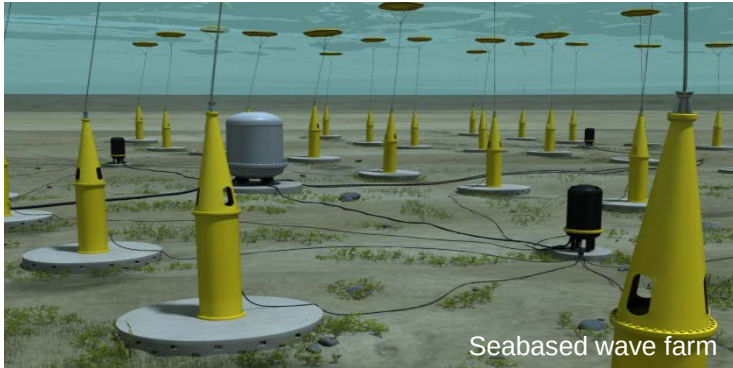
CAPACITY FACTOR (CF) - Mazara



APPLICATION TO ITALIAN SEAS

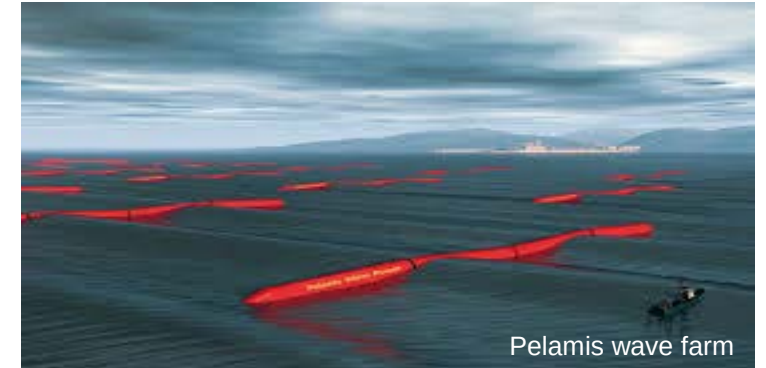


WAVE ENERGY FARMS



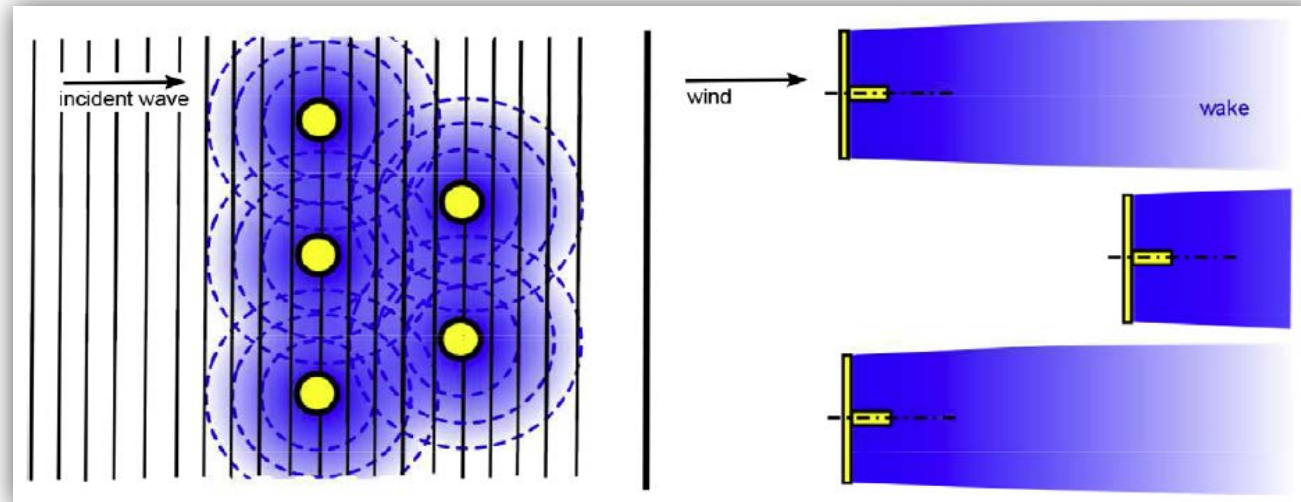
Seabased wave farm

Oscillating wave energy converters are designed to be deployed in arrays of many units



Pelamis wave farm

In WEC arrays the wave field is perturbed in all the directions, due to radiated waves



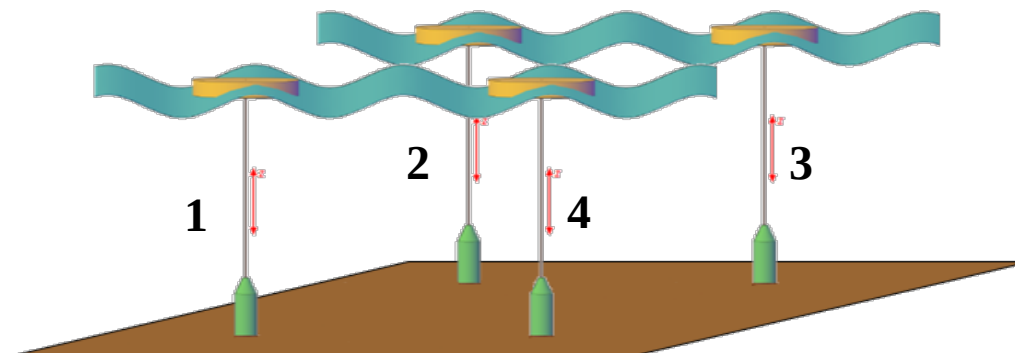
Babarit, 2013

Depending on array design, hydrodynamic interactions can have a positive or negative effect on power production and power quality

WAVE FARM MODEL

Assumptions:

Linear wave theory
Regular waves
Heave motion



Power take-off system:

Permanent magnet linear electric generator
(10 kW)

Equation of motion

$$\begin{bmatrix} M_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & M_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & M_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & M_4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{z}_1 \\ \ddot{z}_2 \\ \ddot{z}_3 \\ \ddot{z}_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_{t1} \\ F_{t2} \\ F_{t3} \\ F_{t4} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M_1 \cdot \ddot{z}_1 = F_{exc1}(t) + F_{drag1}(t, \dot{z}_1, \dot{\eta}_1) + F_{rad11}(t, \dot{z}_1, \ddot{z}_1) + F_{rad21}(t, \dot{z}_2, \ddot{z}_2) + F_{rad31}(t, \dot{z}_3, \ddot{z}_3) + F_{rad41}(t, \dot{z}_4, \ddot{z}_4) + F_{float1}(t, z_1) + F_{spring1}(t, z_1) + \mathbf{F}_{gen1}(t, z_1, \dot{z}_1, \dot{i})$$

COUPLING

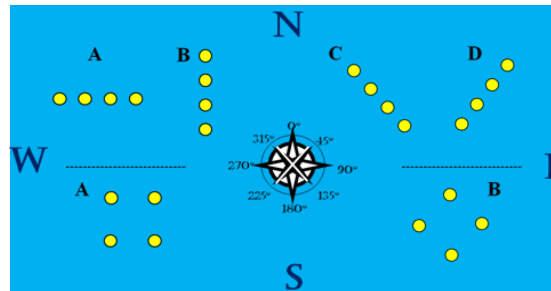
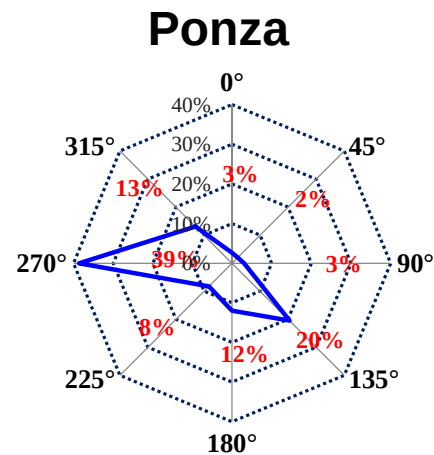
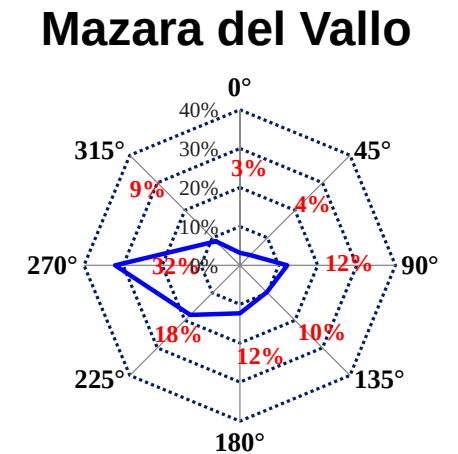
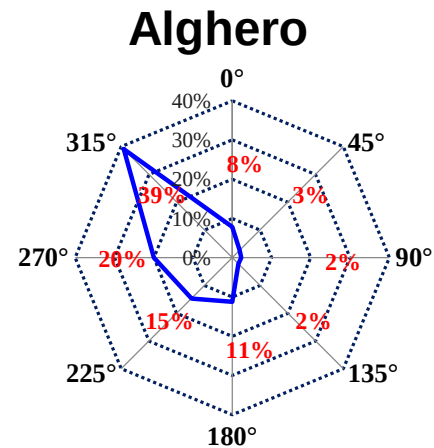
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Electromagnetic model

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WAVE FARM DESIGN IN THE ITALIAN OFFSHORE

Which are the best wave farm designs (geometric layout, WEC distance and geographical orientation) for the Italian seas?



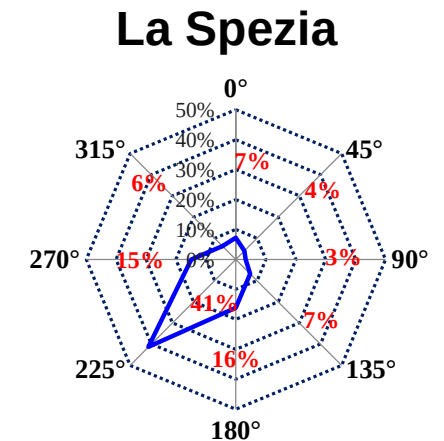
WEC distances

5 D

10 D

20 D

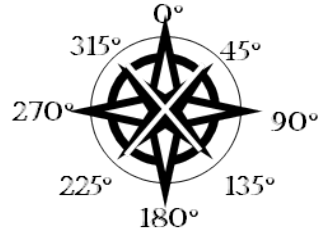
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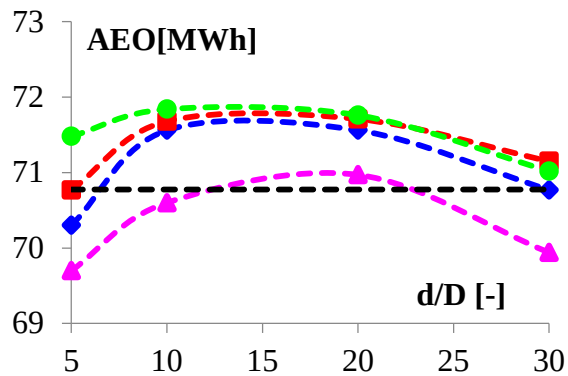
WAVE FARM DESIGN IN THE ITALIAN OFFSHORE: RESULTS

Linear layout

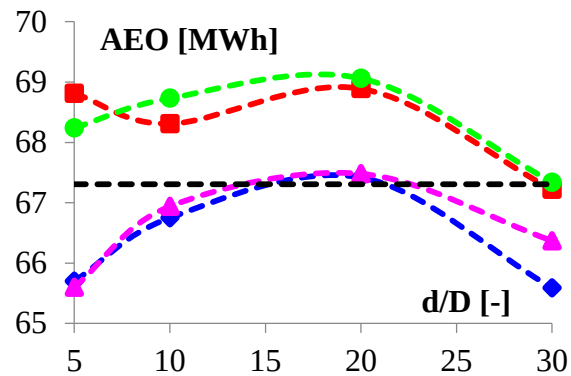
Square layout



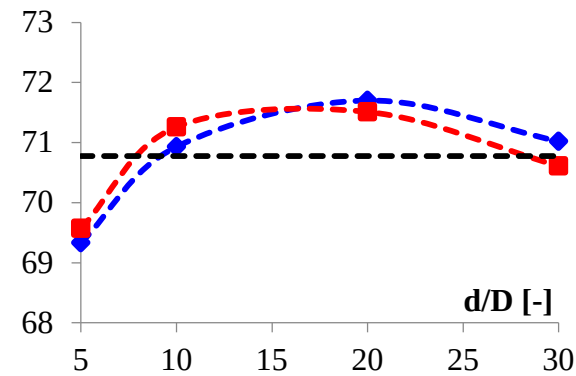
Alghero



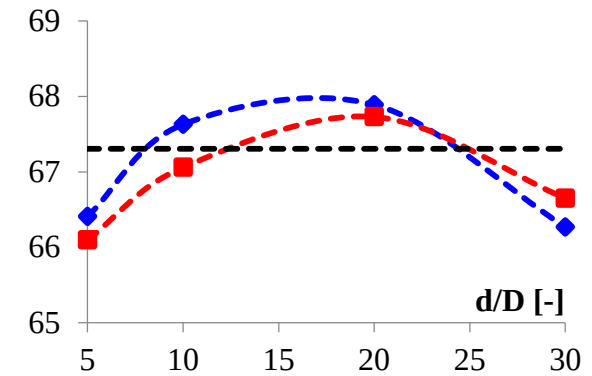
Mazara del Vallo



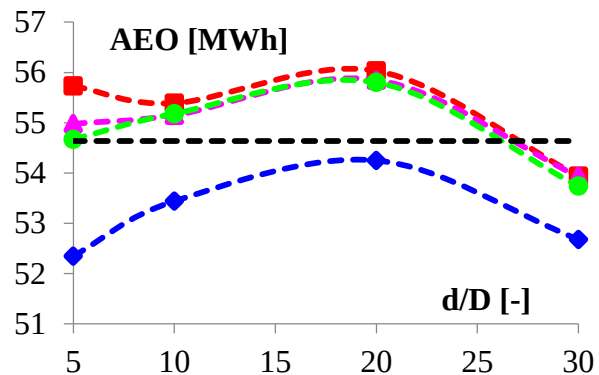
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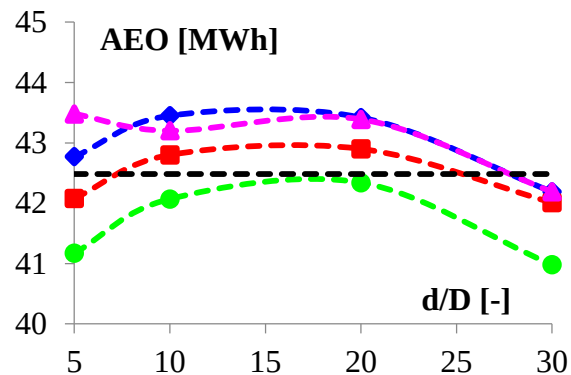
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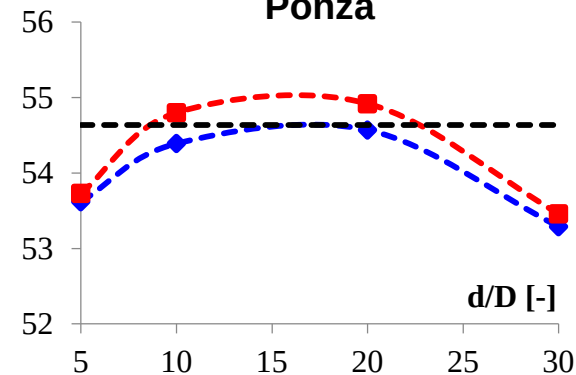
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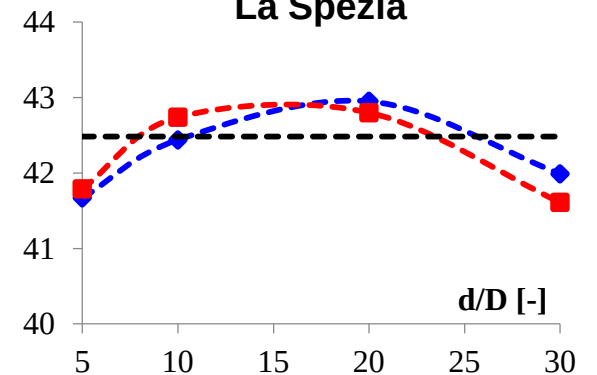
La Spezia



Ponza

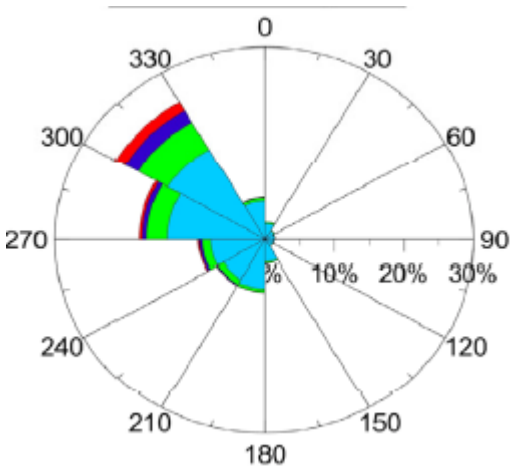


La Spezia

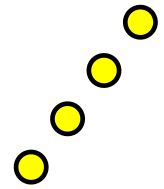


WAVE FARM DESIGN IN THE ITALIAN OFFSHORE: RESULTS

ALGHERO

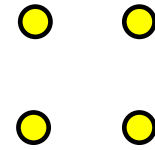


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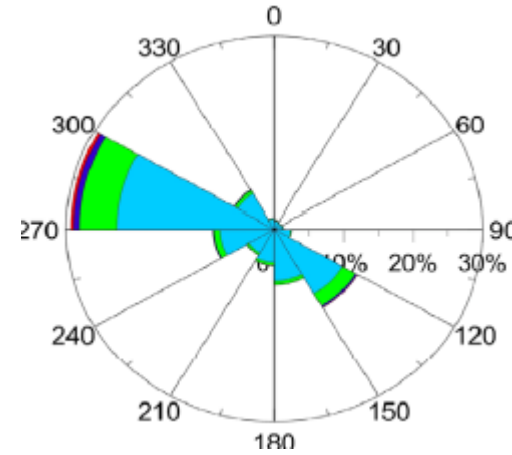
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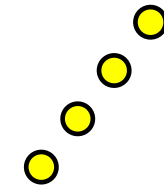


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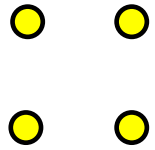


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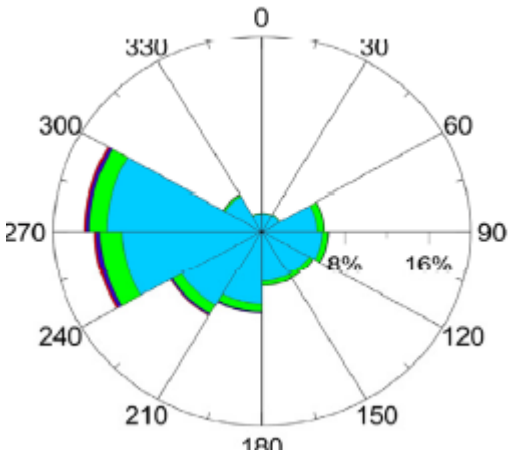
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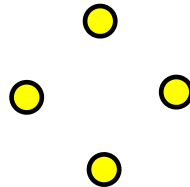


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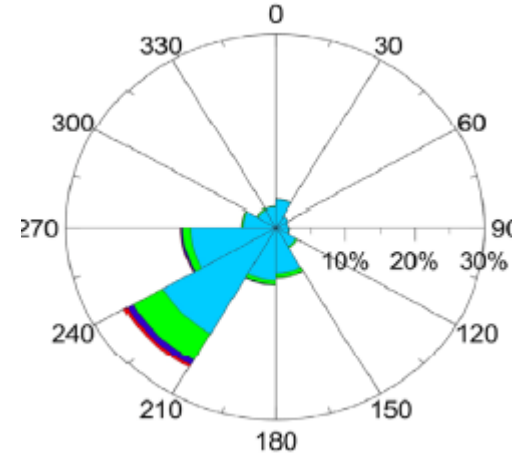
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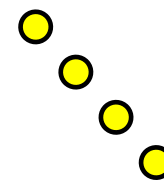


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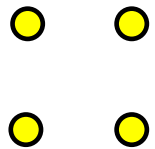


+ 2.4 %



$d = 5 D$

+ 1.1 %



$d = 20 D$

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