

# LOADTIDE

FULL SCALE FATIGUE TESTING FOR  
IMPROVED COMPOSITE DESIGN

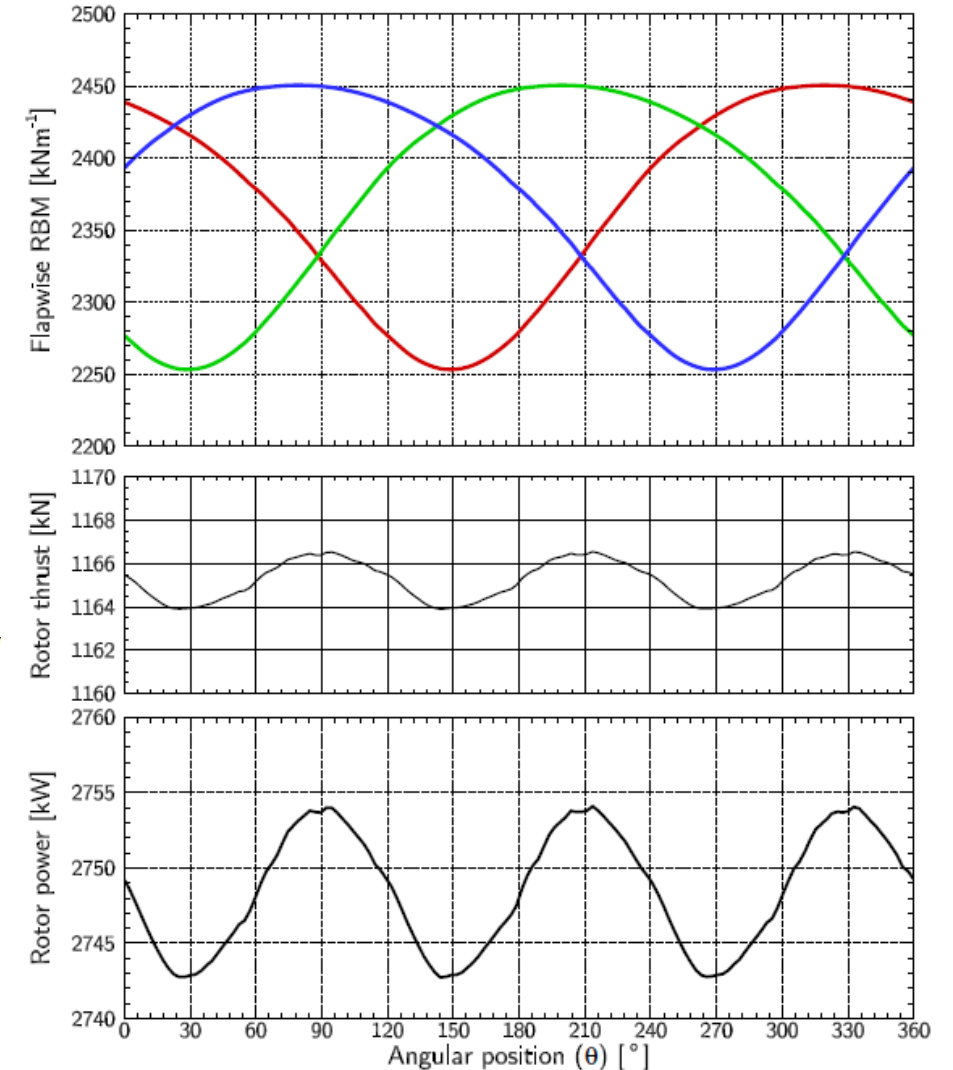
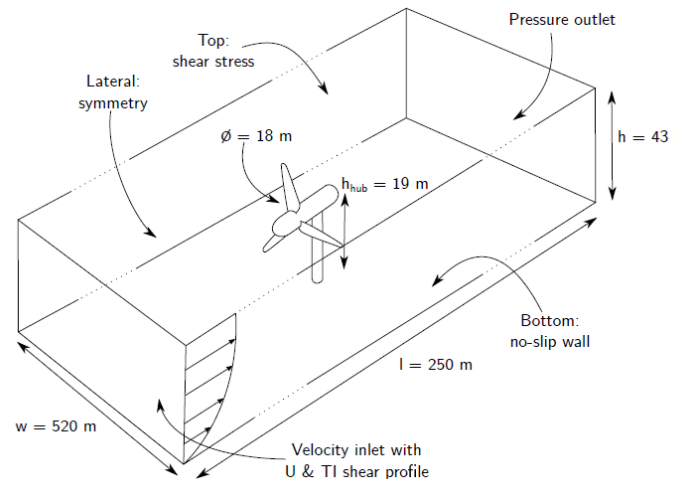
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# Lodtide-Computational methods

- URANS simulations performed in OpenFoam with  $k-\omega$  SST turbulence closure
- Turbine represented with an actuator line model
- Domain included extra resolution at top and bottom to capture variation in flow profile, approx.  $2.8 \times 10^6$  elements
- Blockage ratio: 1.14%
- Ebb tide, 3.5 m/s hub-height flow speed
- 1p fluctuations in individual blade RBMs observed
- 3p fluctuations in rotor thrust and power
- RBM asymmetry between top and bottom of rotation due to flow profile





# Loadtide – Full Scale Fatigue Testing

