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# Farming the ENvironment into the Grid Big data in Offshore WIND

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## **Project objectives**



# 1. Farm modelling

- Very large scale simulation of offshore wind farms
- Simultaneous blade loads and power generation at farm level
- Optimization of wind farm layouts

# 2. Data analytics

- Data-driven strategies for operation and control
- Combine large-scale physics-based simulations and big-data analytics
- Sensing network to enhance grid resilience



## Imperial College London Co-Is in FENGBO-WIND







## **Strategy**





Science Data Lab (ZJU)

## Imperial College London **Aeroservoelastic simulation of farms with large turbines**



Imperial College Wind Farm Simulator\*:



16 5MW HAWTs, neutral ABL, 8 m/s wind, turb 6% Calculated power: 16.7 MW (average over 10 min)

1 billion DoFs on 8192 cores (<1 day for aero only simulations)

\*Deskos Y., Laizet S., Palacios R., "WInc3D: A novel framework for turbulence-resolving simulations of wind farm wake interactions", Wind Energy, to appear

## Imperial College London High-fidelity simulation of wind farm aerodynamics



#### Lab Scale







Left: Two laboratory-scale turbines operating in-line (From Deskos et al. 2017 Right: Section of the real-scale Horns Rev I offshore wind farm (From Deskos et al. 2018b)



## Imperial College London Validation and verification exercises

Code-to-code/code-to-experiment campaign with TU Munich





• Wake profiles (turbulent inflow)



# Power maximisation via wake steering

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#### Mean power per row 22



#### 4x4 NREL 5MW turbines

Greedy

Cooperative

- Below-rated, 6% turbulence
- Offline yaw optimization (FLORIS)



2 Row Number





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# **Optimal Yaw Control of Wind Farm Power Generation**

## Imperial College London Concluding remarks

We are building an open-source wind farm simulator that scales to 100k's of CPUs.

High-order Large-Eddy Simulation aerodynamics
Flexible multibody solver with nonlinear composite beams

□Turbine + farm control

High-fidelity modelling can be used to resolve more relevant turbulence flow scales and therefore used effectively to study the structure of turbulence and its impact on wind turbines

Wake steering (re-direction) is an efficient technique to mitigate the wake effects within wind farms

□Mean values - power

□ Fluctuating values – fatigue (aeroelastic)

Data reduction algorithms under development by project partners