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**Wind Turbine  
Aerodynamics**

**Floting platforms**

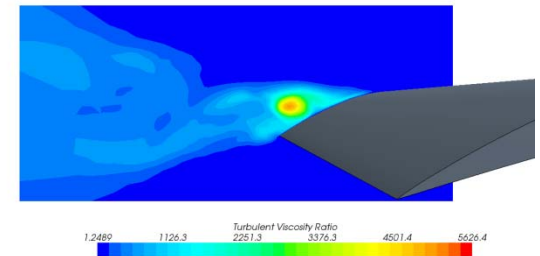
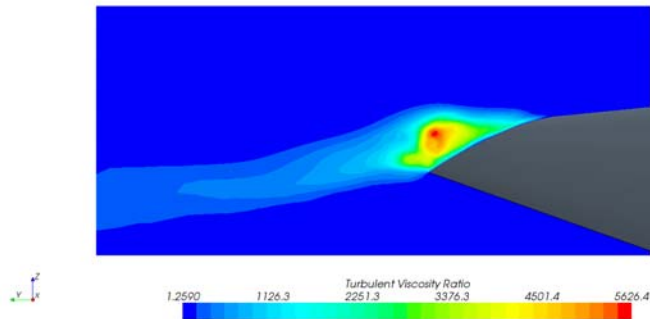
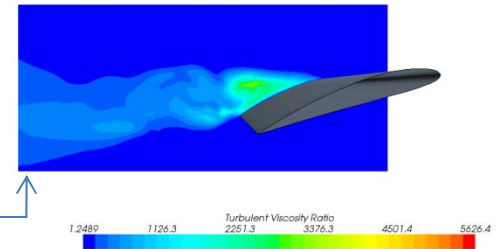
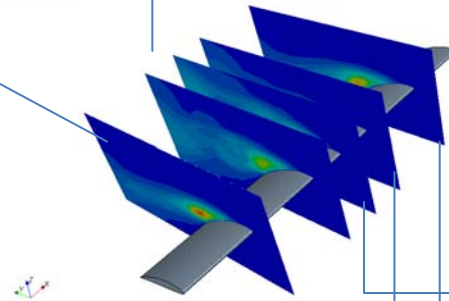
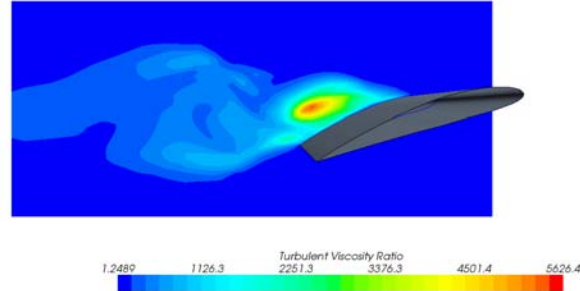
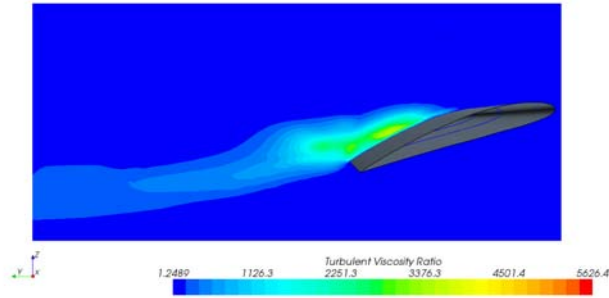
**WT rotor Aeroelasticity  
(E. Zulueta)**

**CFD - Hydraulic Machinery**

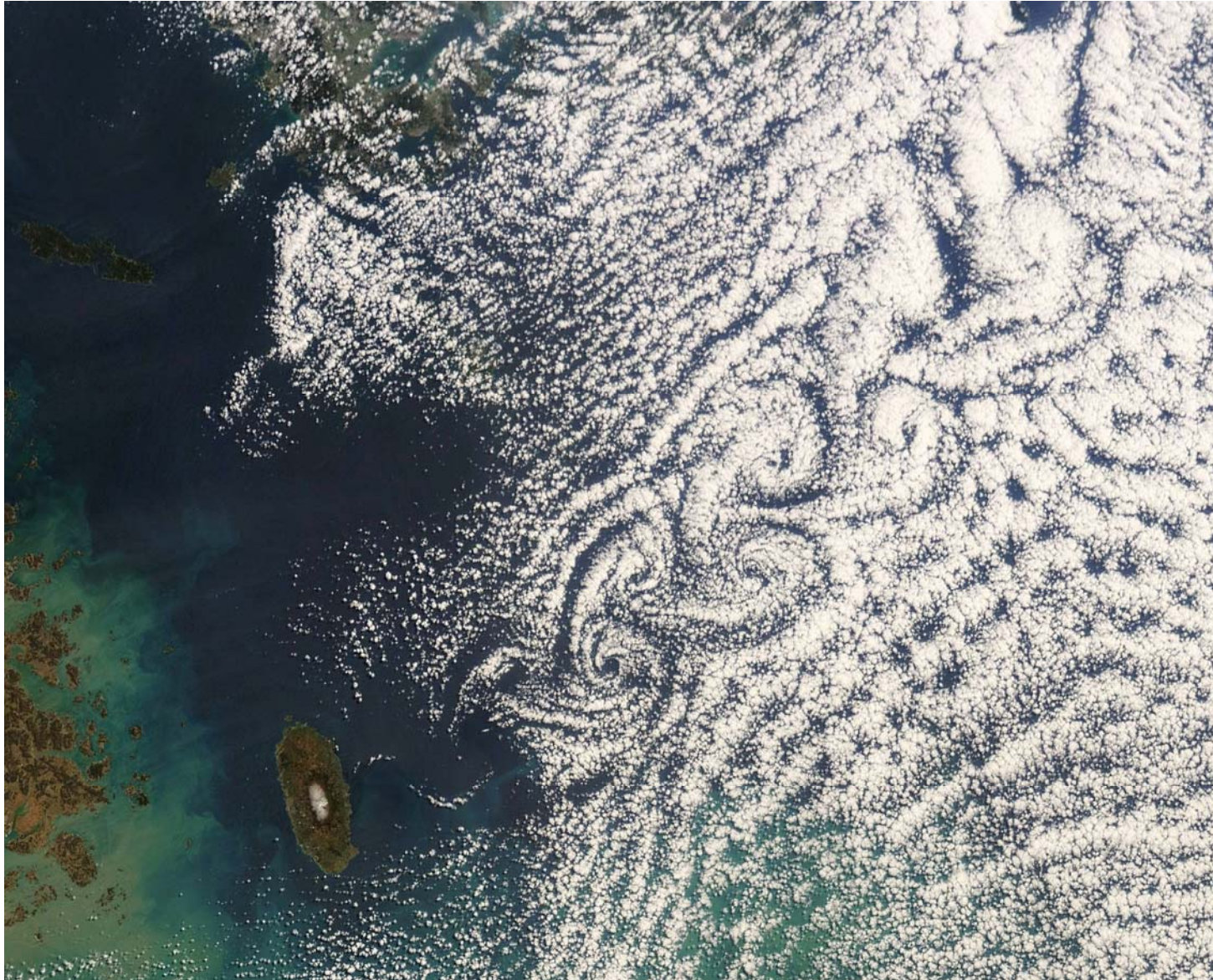
**CFD Heat Transfer**



# Aerodynamic studies









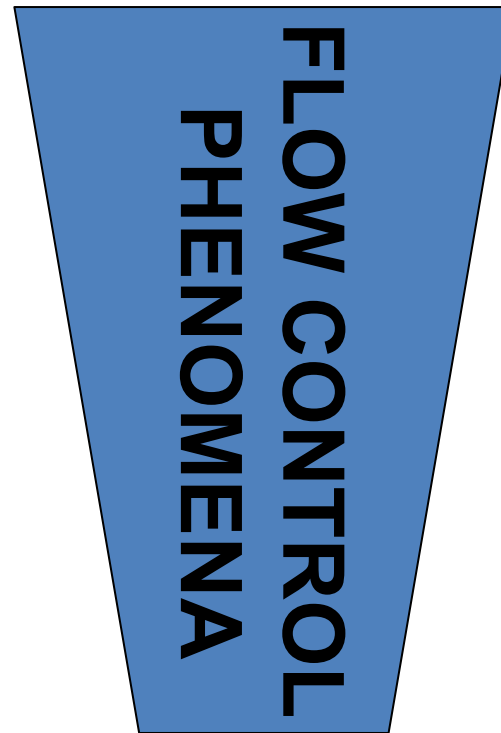
# ACTIVE/PASSIVE DEVICES FOR FLOW CONTROL

## DEVICES:

- TE flaps
- AJVG
- Fences
- Microtaps
- Gurney flaps
- VG

## ACTUATORS:

- Piezoelectric
- Motors
- MEMs
- Fluidics



## CONTROLS:

- Neural network
- Adaptive
- Physical model based
- Optimal control theory

## SENSORS:

- Conventional
- Optical
- MEMS

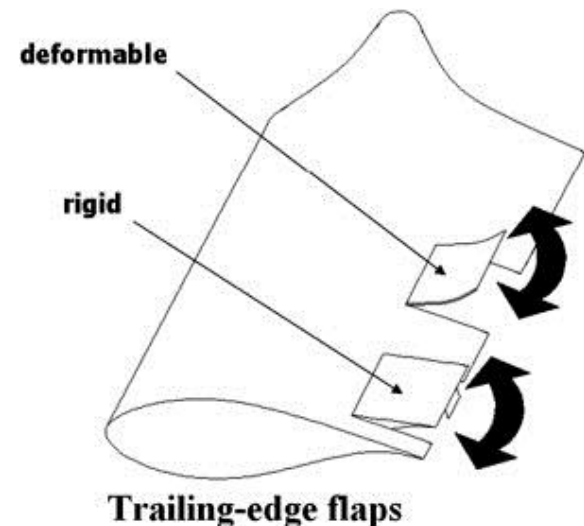


# Traditional Trailing-Edge Flaps

- Geometric device
- TE - located at the trailing edge of the blade
- capable of deploying in both directions and therefore can adjust the lift curve up and down
- operates by changing the deflection angle in a steady-state manner.

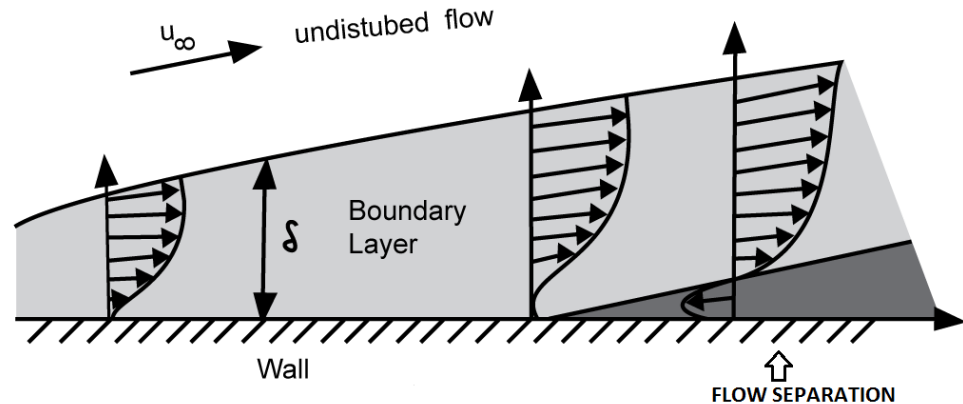
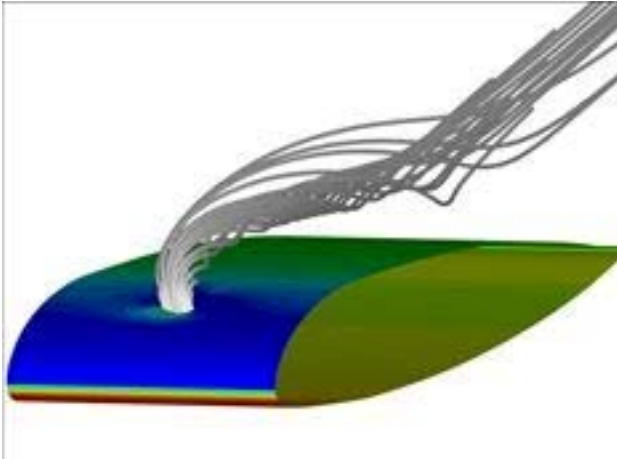
\* Stuart, et al. 1996, numerical control case study using ailerons is presented along with simulations investigating the use of actively controlled devices for load reduction

\*Jonkman PI control scheme using the aeroelastic analysis code FAST





# Air Jet Vortex Generators



- Vortex generator jets (VGJs) are jets of air that pass through a wall (the skin of an airfoil) and into a crossflow to create a dominant streamwise vortex



# FENCES on Aircrafts

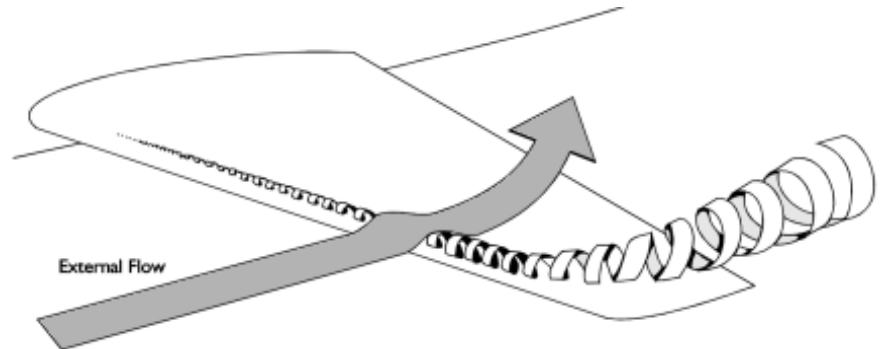


Imagen -Flujo transversal





# FENCES on Wind Turbines

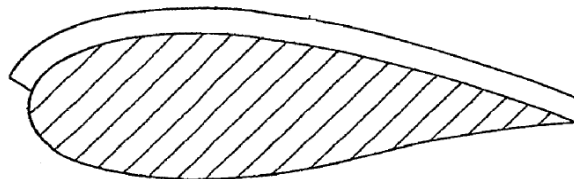
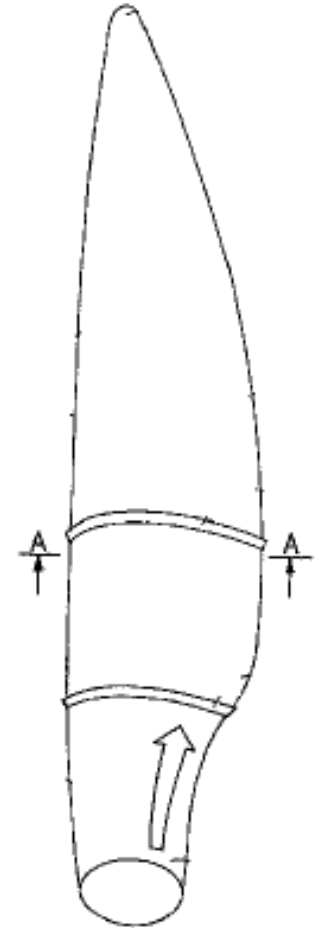
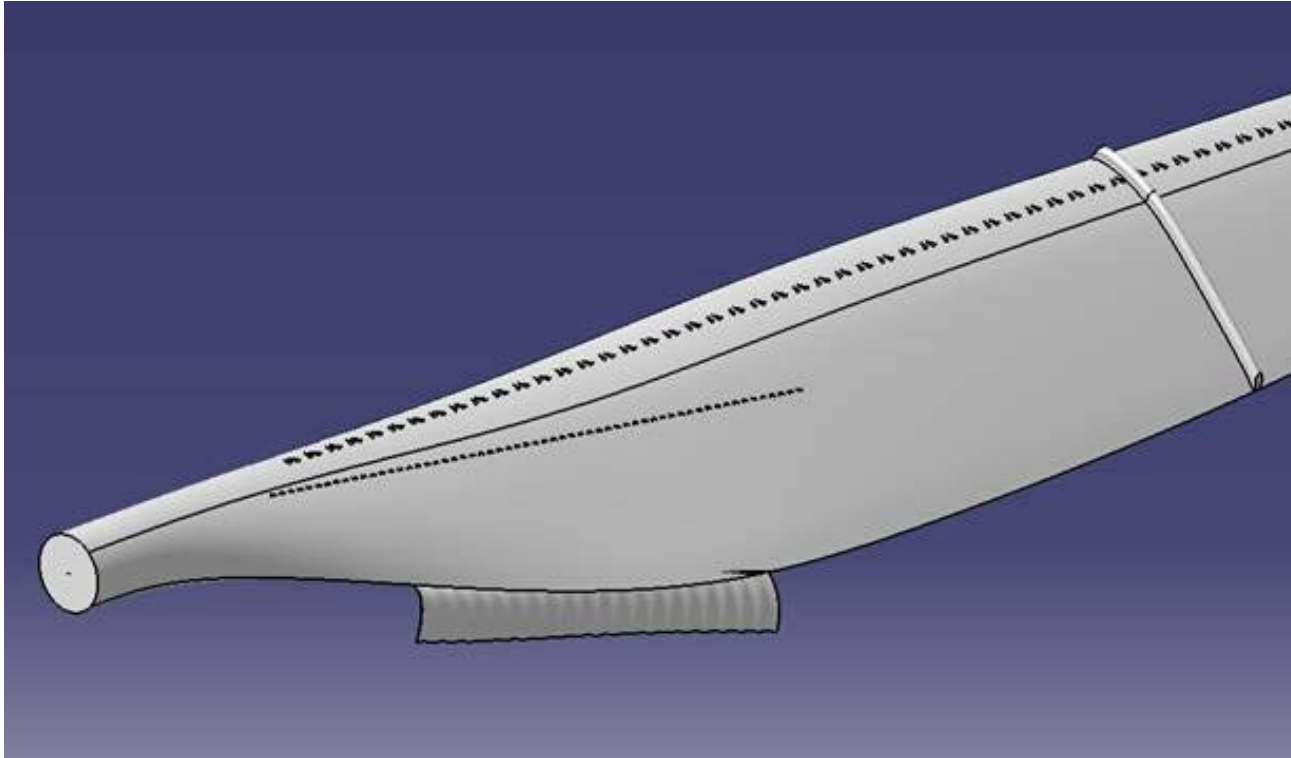


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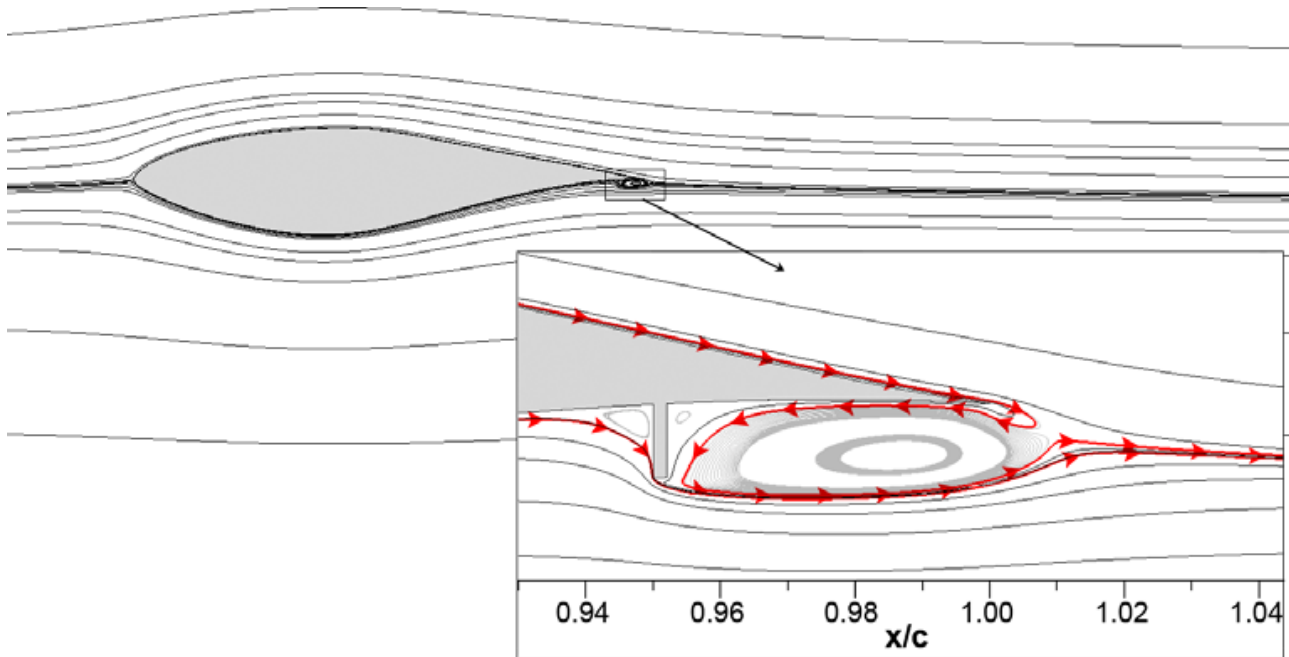
Source: SIEMENS PATENT US20120051936 A1



# MICROTAPS

Device for active load control applications.

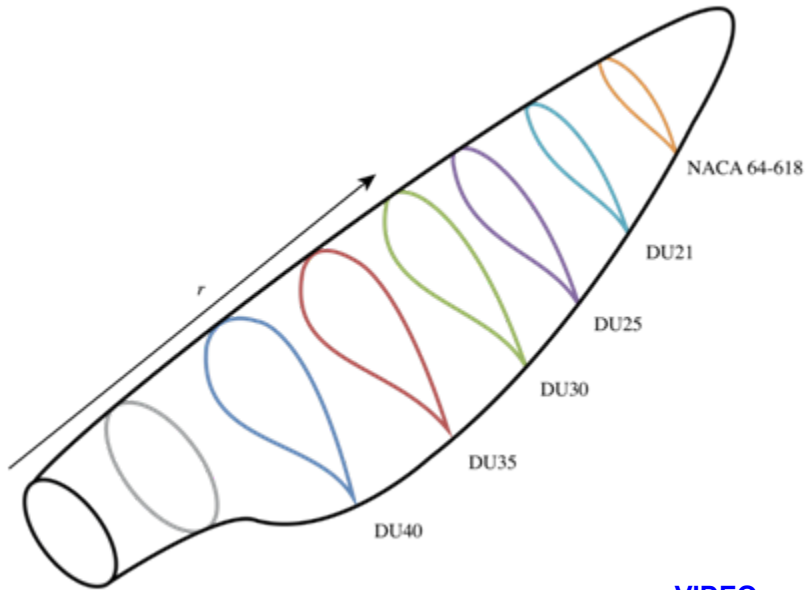
- similar to Gurney
- Lift enhancement is achieved by deploying the tab on the pressure (lower) surface and lift mitigation is achieved by deploying the tab on the suction (upper) surface.



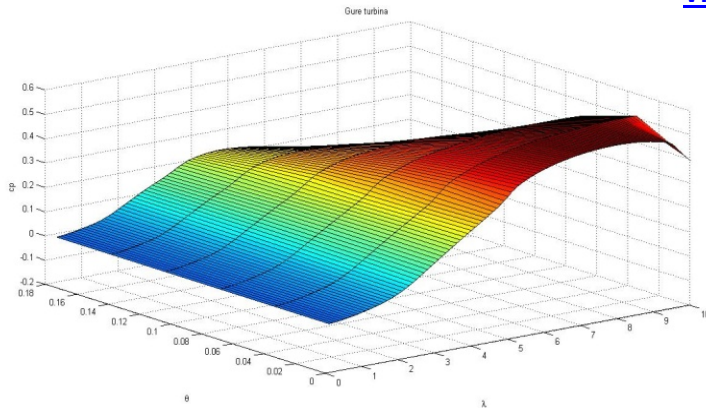
Ref.: Scott et al. 2008 SANDIA Report Active Load Control Techniques for Wind Turbines



# Microtab design and implementation on a 5MW wind turbine

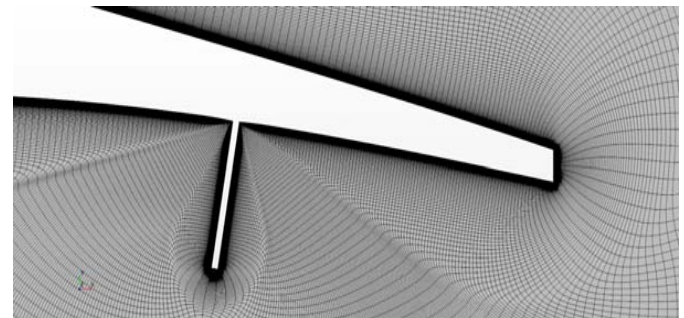
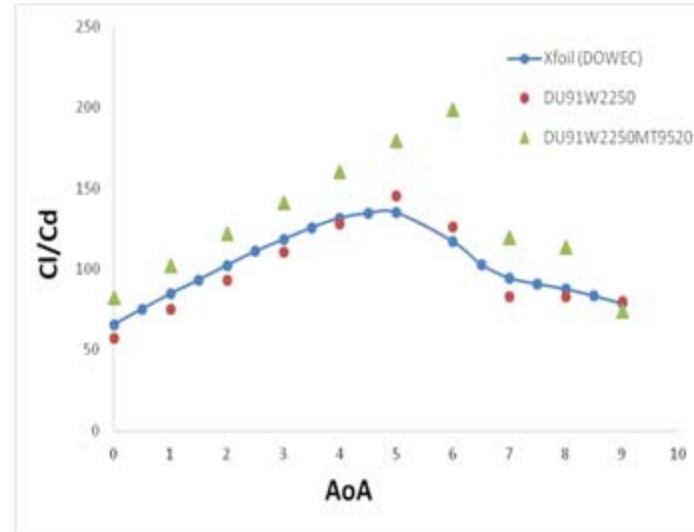


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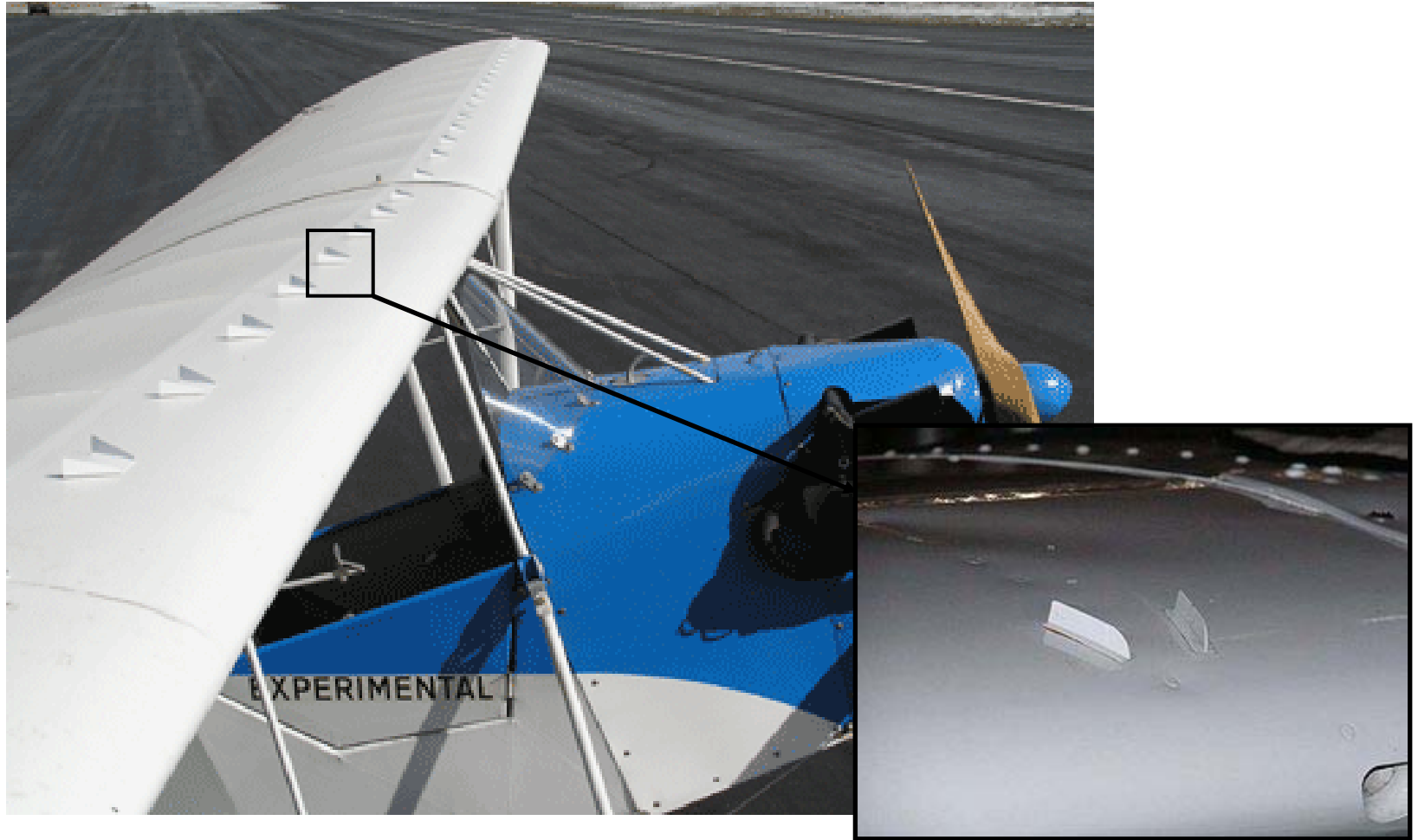
\*Author: E. Zulueta.

\*Ayerdi-Zaton et al. ECRES2017 Istanbul 2016.



# Vortex generators

Applied aerodynamics on aircraft wings



Source: Vortex generators on the wing of an airplane at the Air Force Museum of the German Federal Armed Forces in Berlin. Image credit: Wikimedia Commons  
<http://phys.org/news/2012-09-scientists-purpose-vortex.html#jCp>





# Vortex generators Embraer ERJ 145

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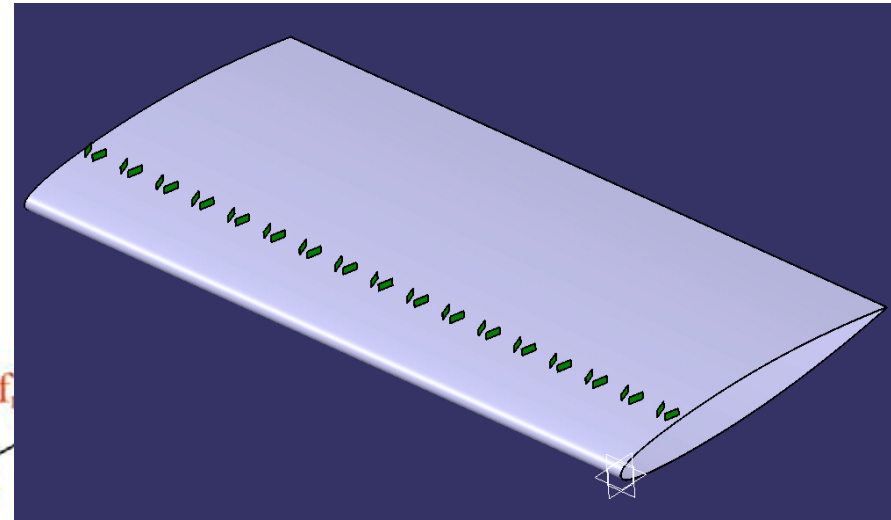




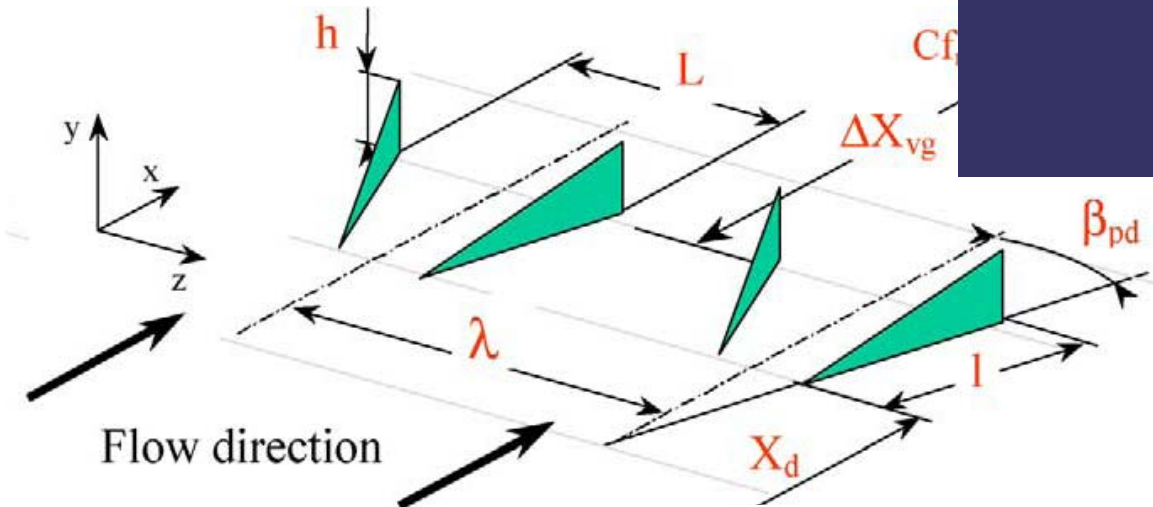


# VGs on Airfoils

- GEOMETRY: triangular or rectangular vanes.
- Dimensioned : to the local boundary layer thickness.
- Lay-out: in cascades in groups of two.



Ref.: Author design 2013



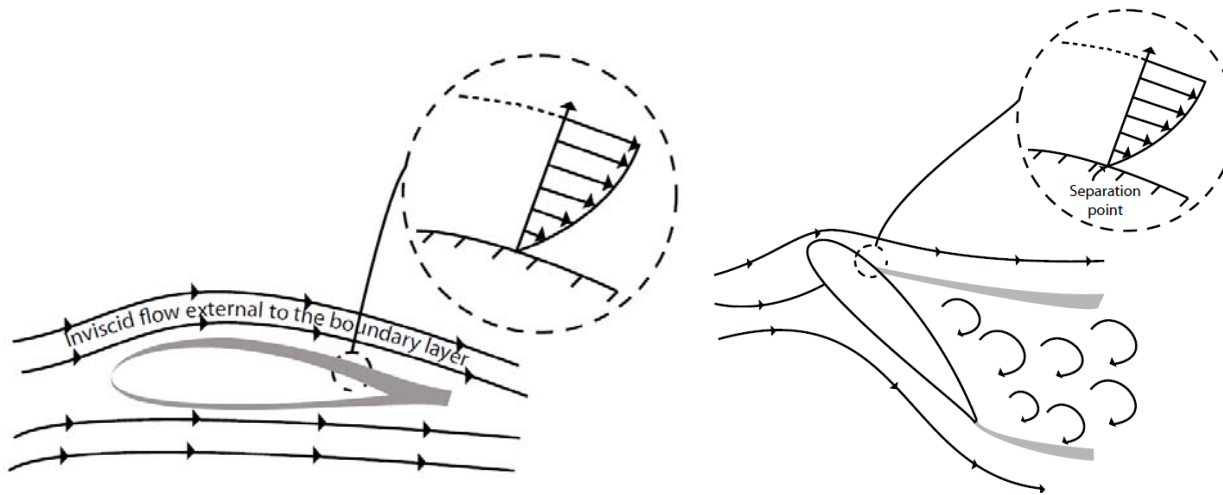
Ref.: G. Godard ,  
M. Stanislas 2005

**Figure 3:** Counter rotating passive device configuration.



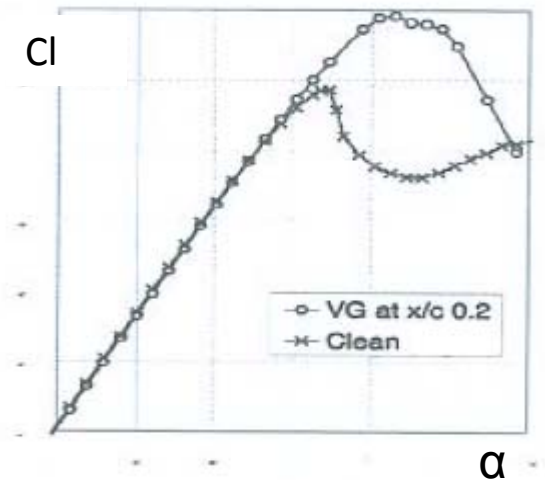
# VGs on Airfoils

- Main functionality:
  - to delay or prevent separation of the flow.



**Figure 4:** (a) Flow across an airfoil. (b) Separated flow over the top surface of an airfoil)

SOURCE: J.D. Anderson Jr., Brief History of the Early Development of Therotical an Exp. Fluid Dynamics Willey&Sons 2010



**Figure 5::** effect of vortex generators on the performance of DU 97-W-300.

Ref.: van Rooij R. P. J. O. M. and Timmer W A "Roughness Sensitivity Considerations for Thick Rotor Blade Airfoils". AIAA-paper 2003-0350.



# VGs on Airfoils

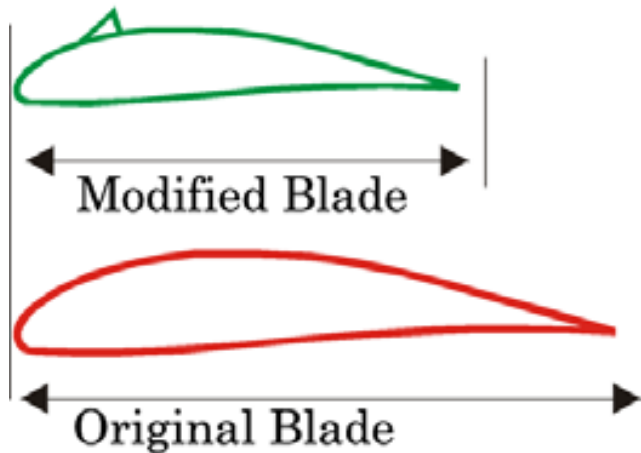


Fig. 01 demonstrates the difference in chord length between the redesigned, or modified, blade and the original blade. The idea can be more easily explained by analyzing the lift equation:

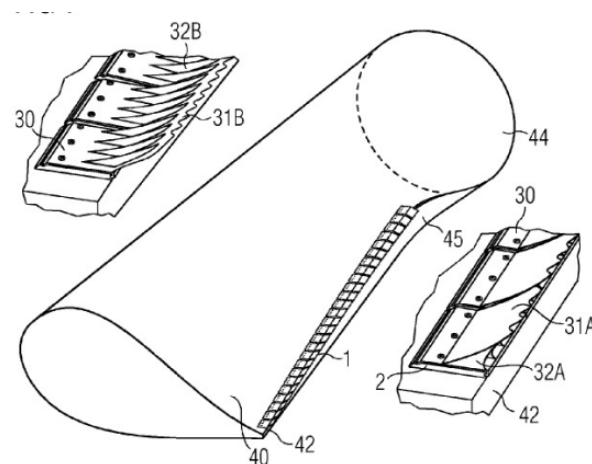
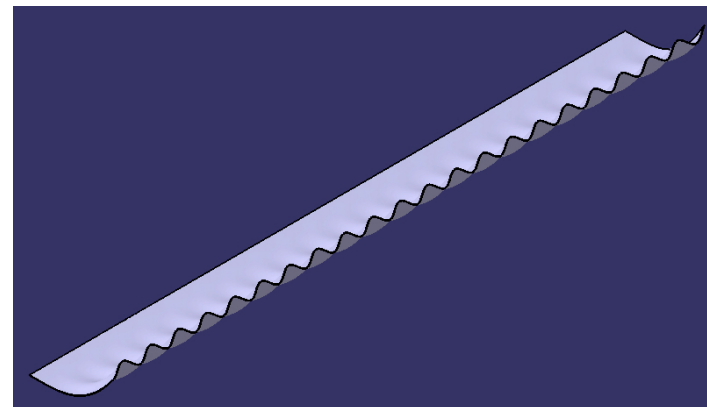
**Fig 01 : Airfoils with comparable lift generation. (Source: Corten)**

$$L_{\max} = C_{L\max} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \rho \cdot V^2 \cdot c$$

If  $C_{L\max}$  is increased by a DS device, then the chord,  $c$ , could be reduced a comparable amount so that the generated lift still equals that of the original blade.



# SPOILERS

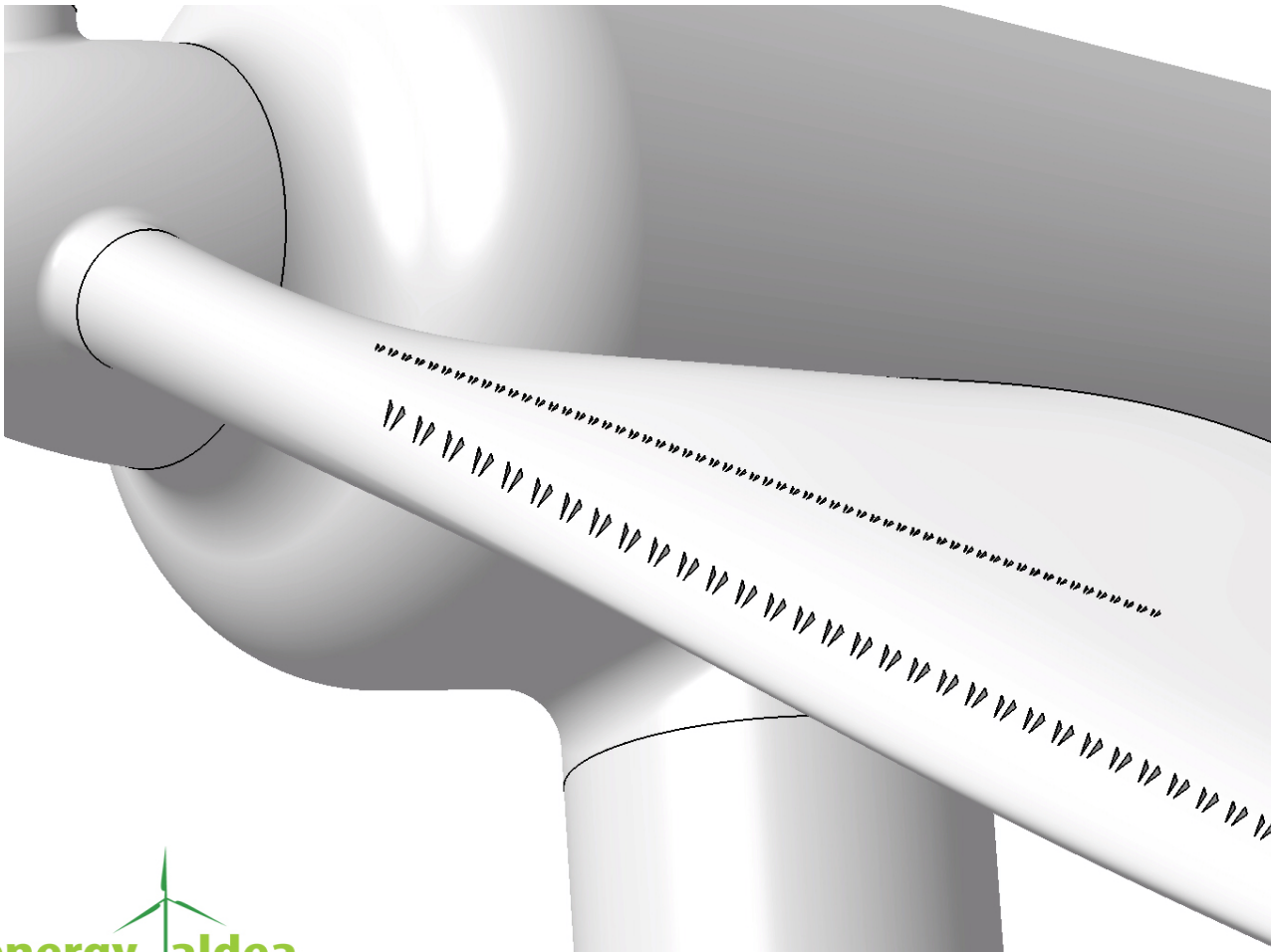


**Fig. :** Wind turbine blade having a spoiler with effective separation of airflow.

Ref.: LM GLASFIBER Patent: (EP 2 141 358 A1)



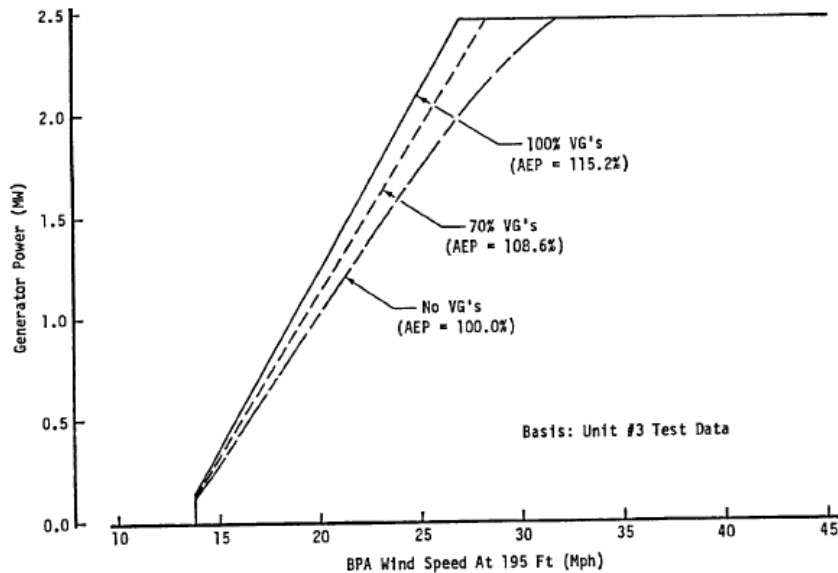
# VGs on Wind Turbines



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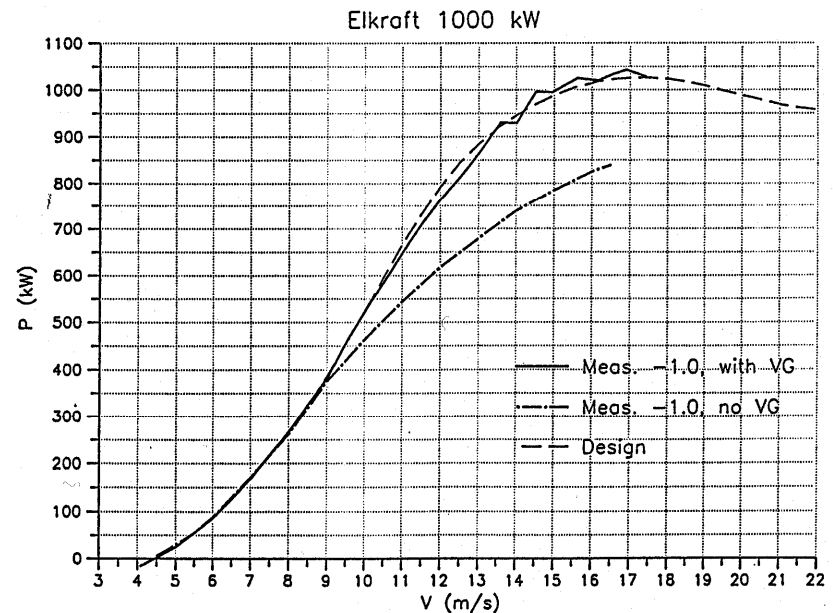
# VGs on Wind Turbines

Increased wind turbine performance from implementing VGs on the blades has also been confirmed through various field tests.



**Figure 6 (a):** Effects of VGs on a 2.5 MW wind turbine performance.

Ref.: Miller, G.E., "Comparative Performance Tests on the Mod-2 2.5 MW Wind Turbine With and Without Vortex Generators," NASA TM N95-27978, Presented at the DOE/NASA Workshop on Horizontal Axis Wind Turbine Technology, May 8-10, 1984, Cleveland, OH.



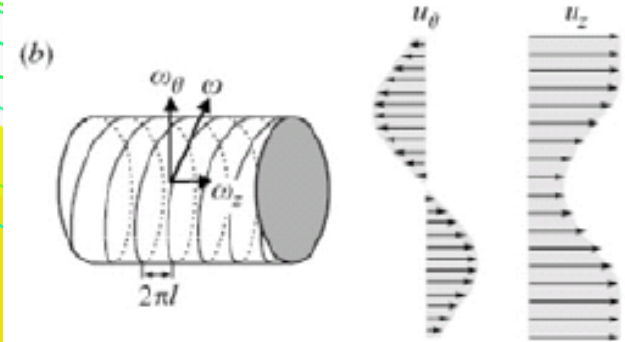
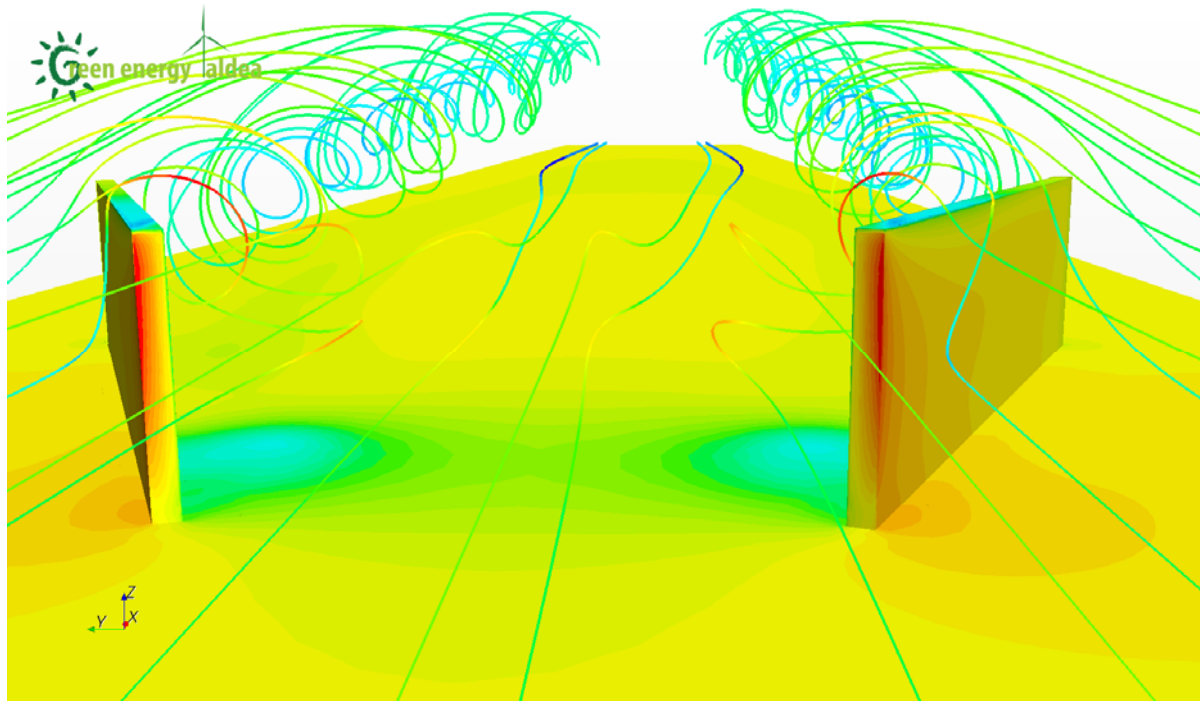
**Figure 6 (b):** Effects of VGs on a 1 MW wind turbine performance.

Ref.: S. Øye, *The effect of Vortex Generators on the performance of the ELKRAFT 1000 kW Turbine*, 9<sup>th</sup> IEA Symp. On Aerodynamics of Wind Turbines, 1995.





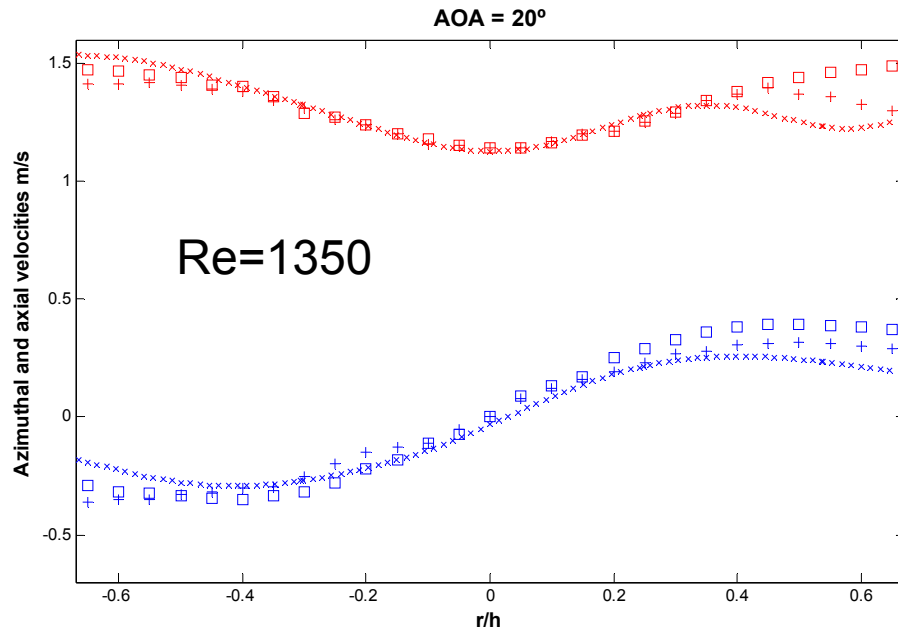
# Analytical Model



\* Analytical Model Velte et al. Helical structure of longitudinal vortices embedded in turbulent wall-bounded flow, J. Fluid Mech., 2009.



# COMPARISON: Velocity Profiles



□ Analitical Model

X Exp

+ CFD

\* U. Fernández<sup>1</sup>, P.-E. Réthoré<sup>2</sup>, N. N. Sørensen<sup>2</sup>,  
Clara M. Velte<sup>3</sup>, F. Zahle<sup>2</sup> and E. Egusquiza<sup>4</sup>.  
PARAMETRIC STUDY OF THE DEVICE  
ANGLE DEPENDENCY OF A SINGLE  
VORTEX GENERATOR ON A FLAT PLATE.  
World Congress on Computational Mechanics  
2012 Sao Paulo.

$$u_{\theta}(r, \theta, z) = \frac{\Gamma(z)}{2\pi r} \left[ 1 - \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{\varepsilon^2(\theta, z)}\right) \right];$$

Together with the Batchelor vortex  
model four parameters:

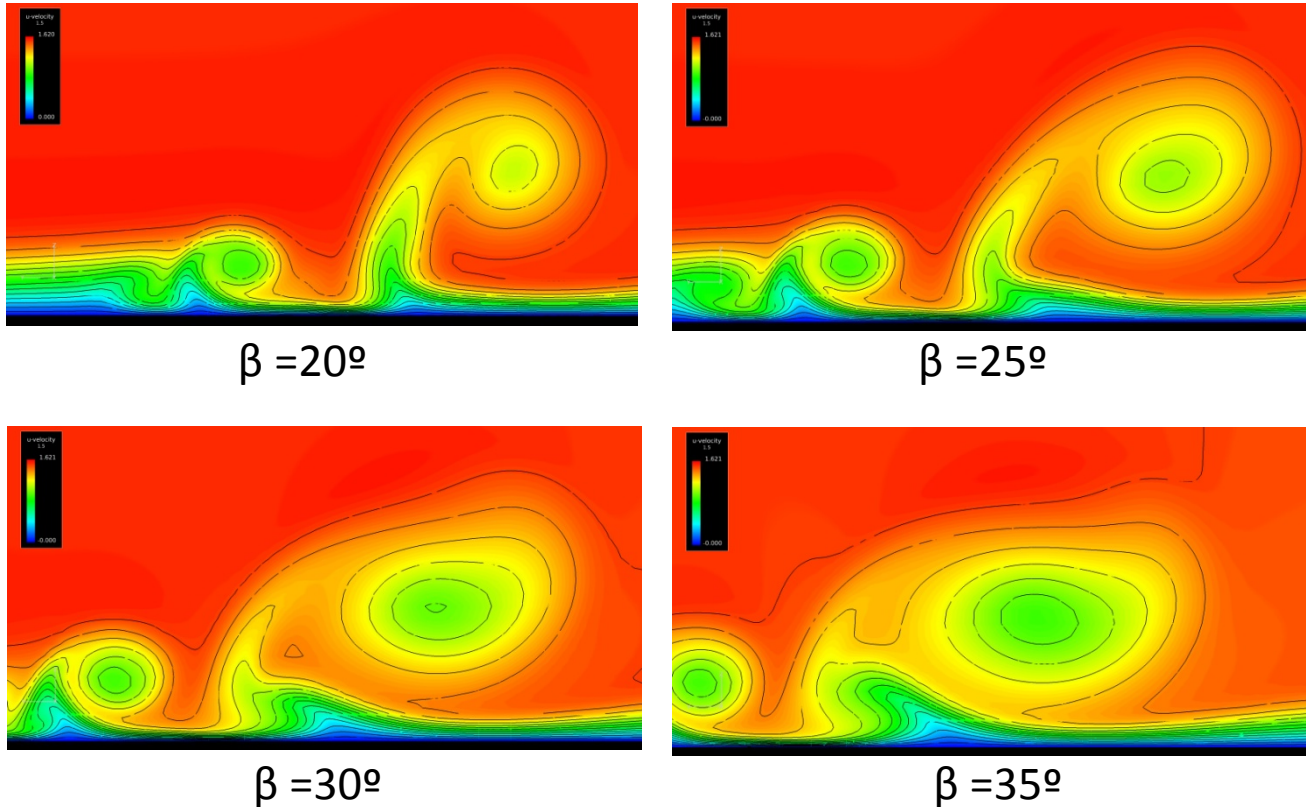
$\varepsilon(\Theta, z)$ ,  
circulation

$\Gamma(z)$ ,

$u_0(z)$  and  
 $l(\Theta, z)$

$$u_z(r, \theta, z) = u_0(z) - \frac{\Gamma(z)}{2\pi l(\theta, z)} \left[ 1 - \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{\varepsilon^2(\theta, z)}\right) \right]$$

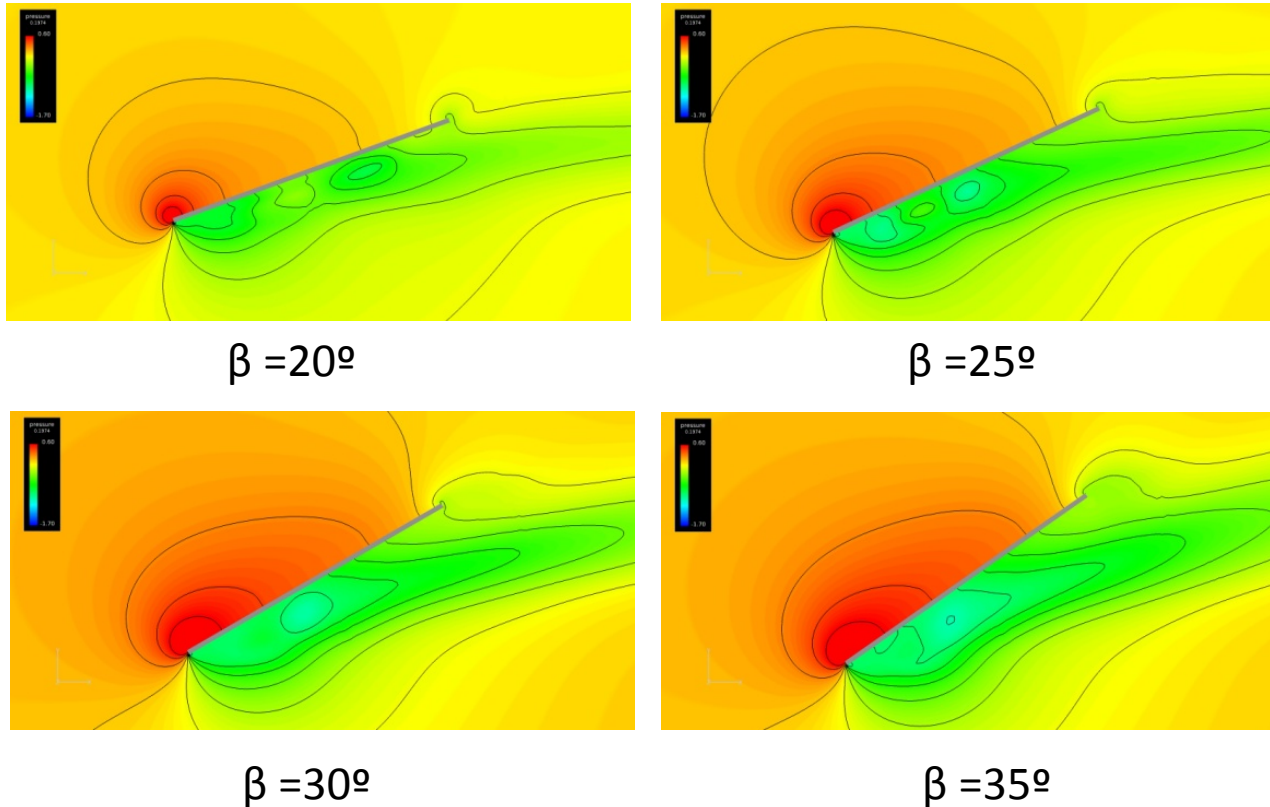
# CFD results of vortex evolution.



**Fig.:** CFD results of vortex development downstream the VG with four different angles of attack.

\* Martinez-Filgueira et al. Parametric study of low-profile vortex generators  
Article in International Journal of Hydrogen Energy · April 2017

# CFD results of vortex evolution.

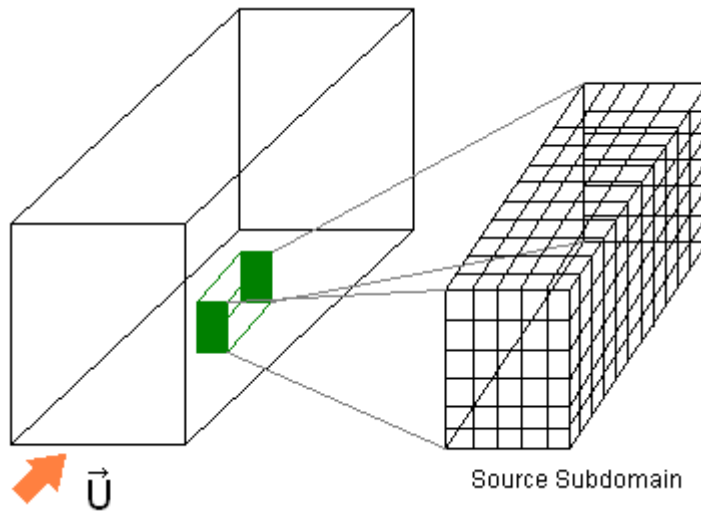


**Fig. 7.3** Top view of the VG with four different angles of attack.



# Actuator VG Model.

- **Objective:** The implementation of the BAY model into the StarCCM+ CFD code.
- **BAY Model** (founders: Bender-Anderson-Yagle 1999).

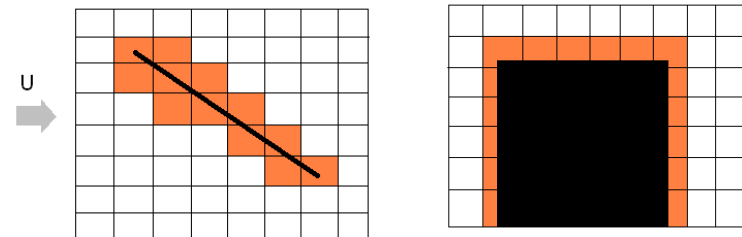


$$V_i \frac{\Delta(\rho \vec{U})}{\Delta t} = \sum_j F_{Mj} S_j + L_i$$

$$V_i \frac{\Delta(\rho E)_i}{\Delta t} = \sum_j F_{Ej} S_j + L_i$$

Fig. 5.5: BAY model source subdomain.

$$L_i = c_{VG} \cdot S_{VG} \cdot \left( v_i / \sum_j v_i \right) \cdot \alpha \cdot \rho \cdot U^2 \cdot \hat{l}$$





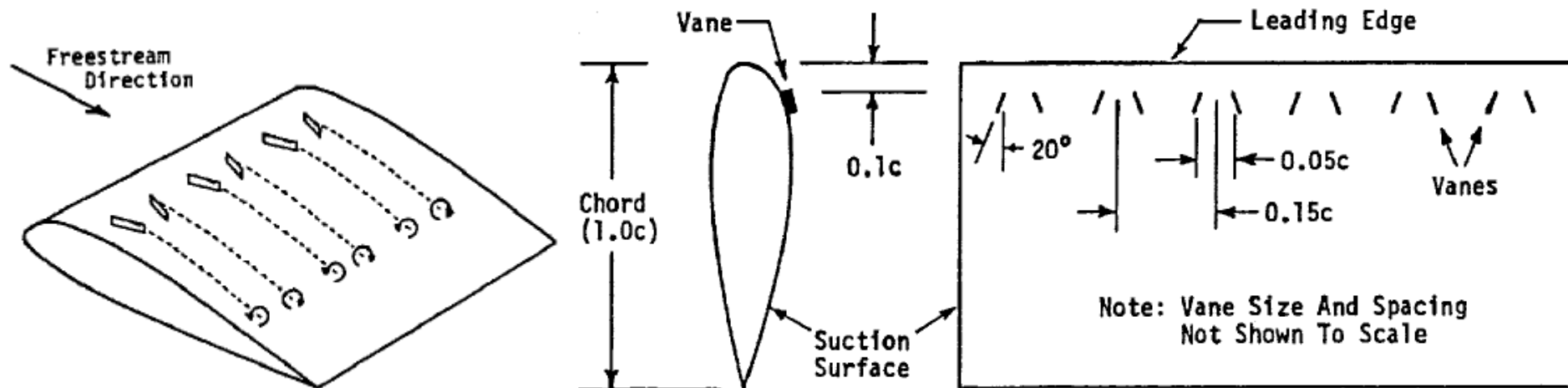


# Pros and Cons of VGs

- Pros
  - Efficient
  - Easy and fast practical implementation
  - Inexpensive
  - Can be integrated part of blade design
  - Can also be applied as retrofits to improve existing designs
- Cons
  - ‘Small’ parasitic drag
  - Require detailed understanding to be applied correctly
  - Need to be optimized for every specific flow/geometry

# Parametric studies

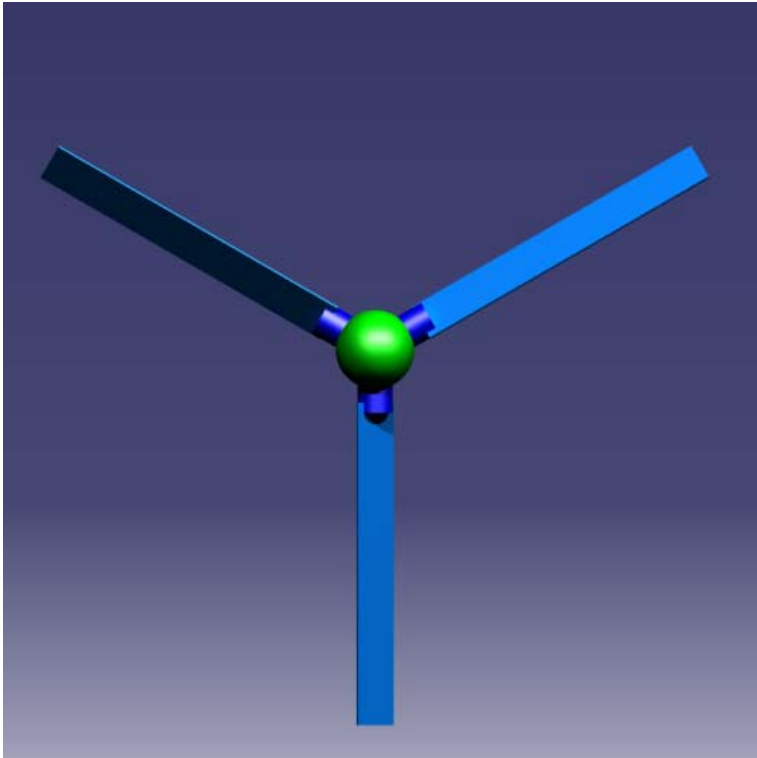
- Requires (some) knowledge about the base flow
- VG cascade geometry optimization
  - Many degrees of freedom (angle, interspacing, orientation, height, length...)
  - Very important for VG performance
- VG row positioning on blade
  - Cord/span
  - Aeroelasticity considerations



\*Ref.: Miller 1995



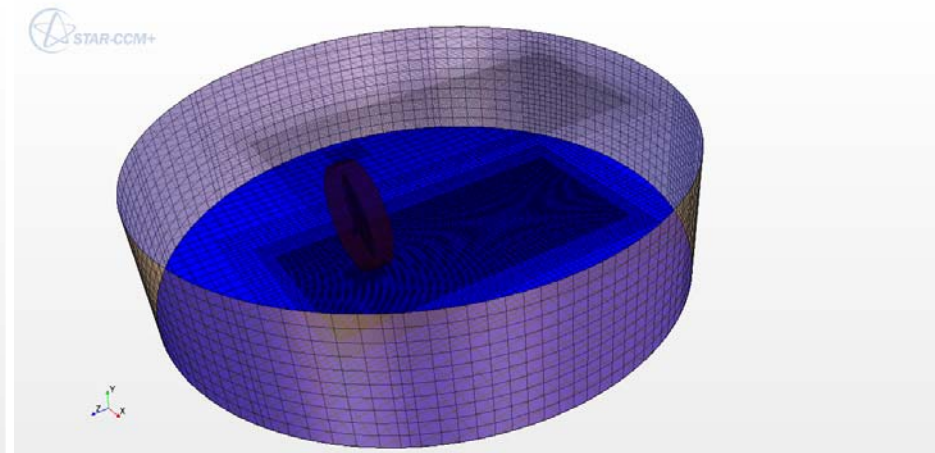
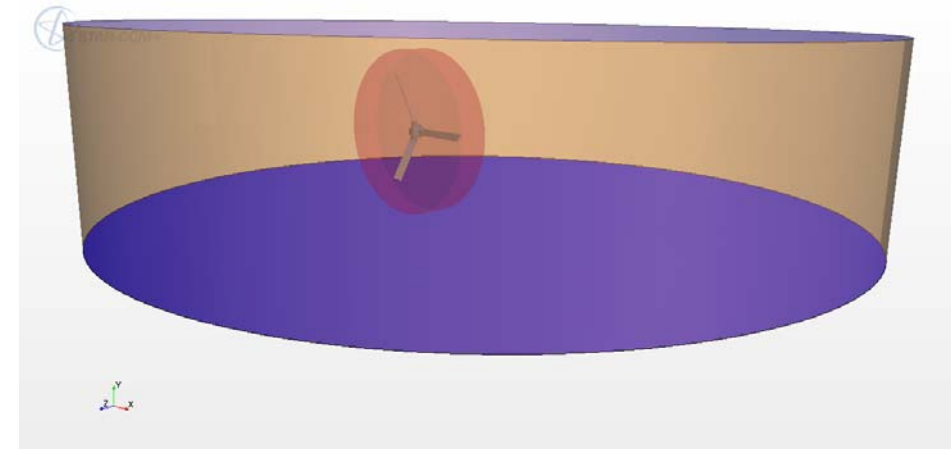
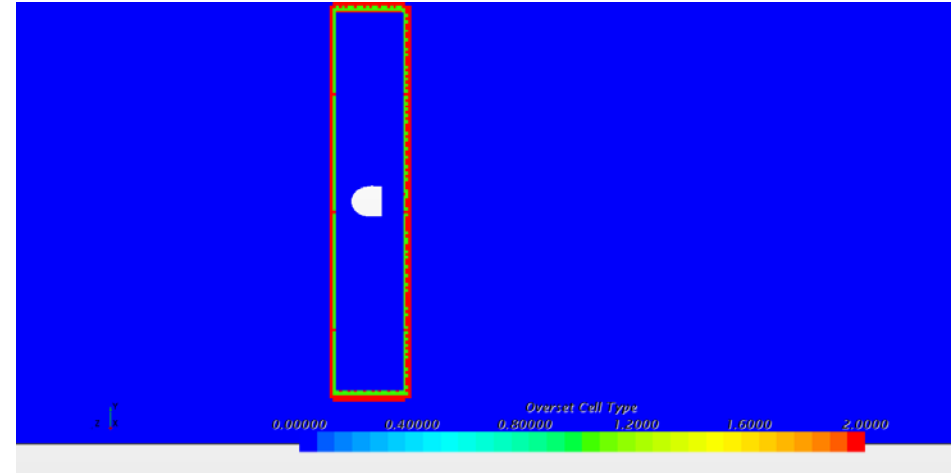
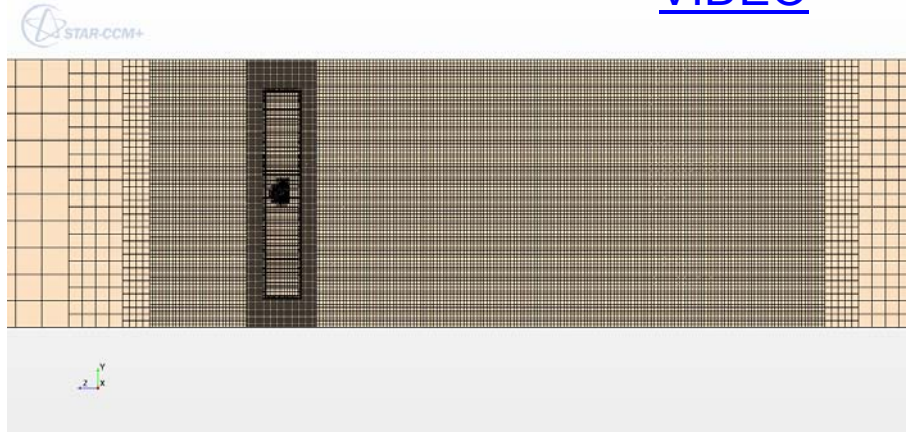
# FULL-ROTOR Simulations





# COMPUTATIONAL DOMAIN

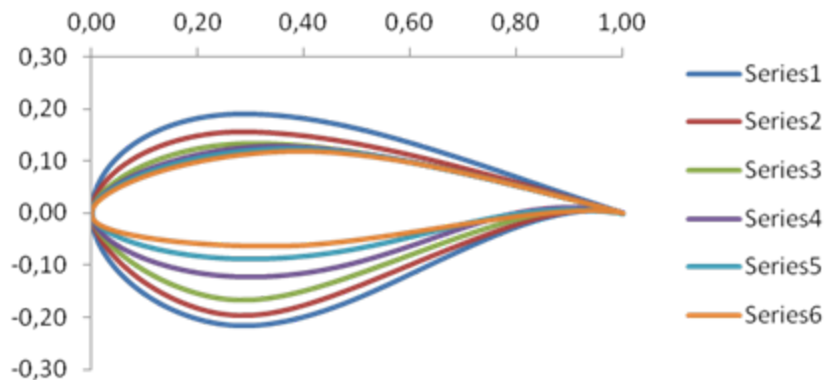
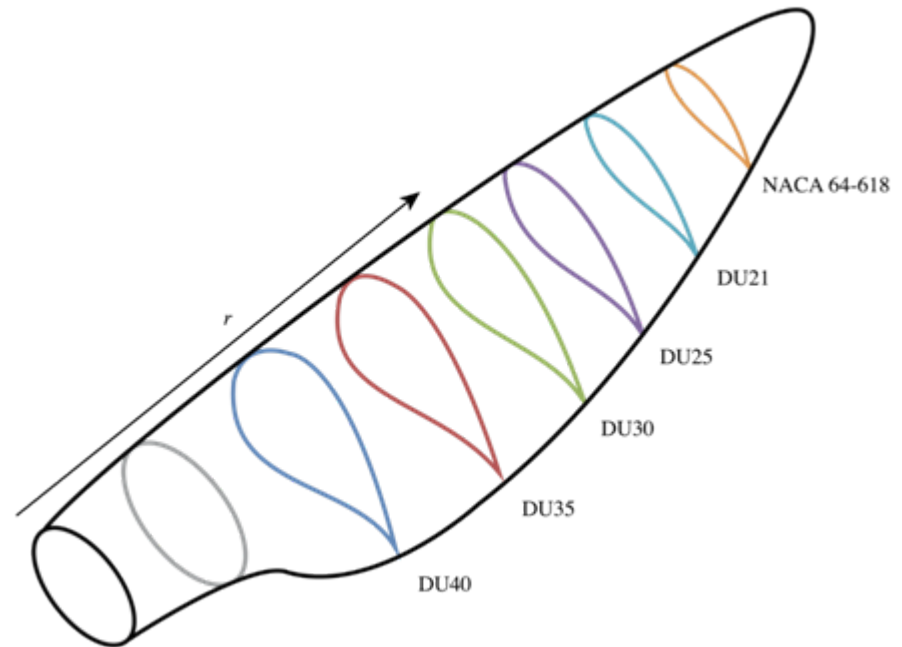
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# NREL 5MW Ref. Wind Turbine

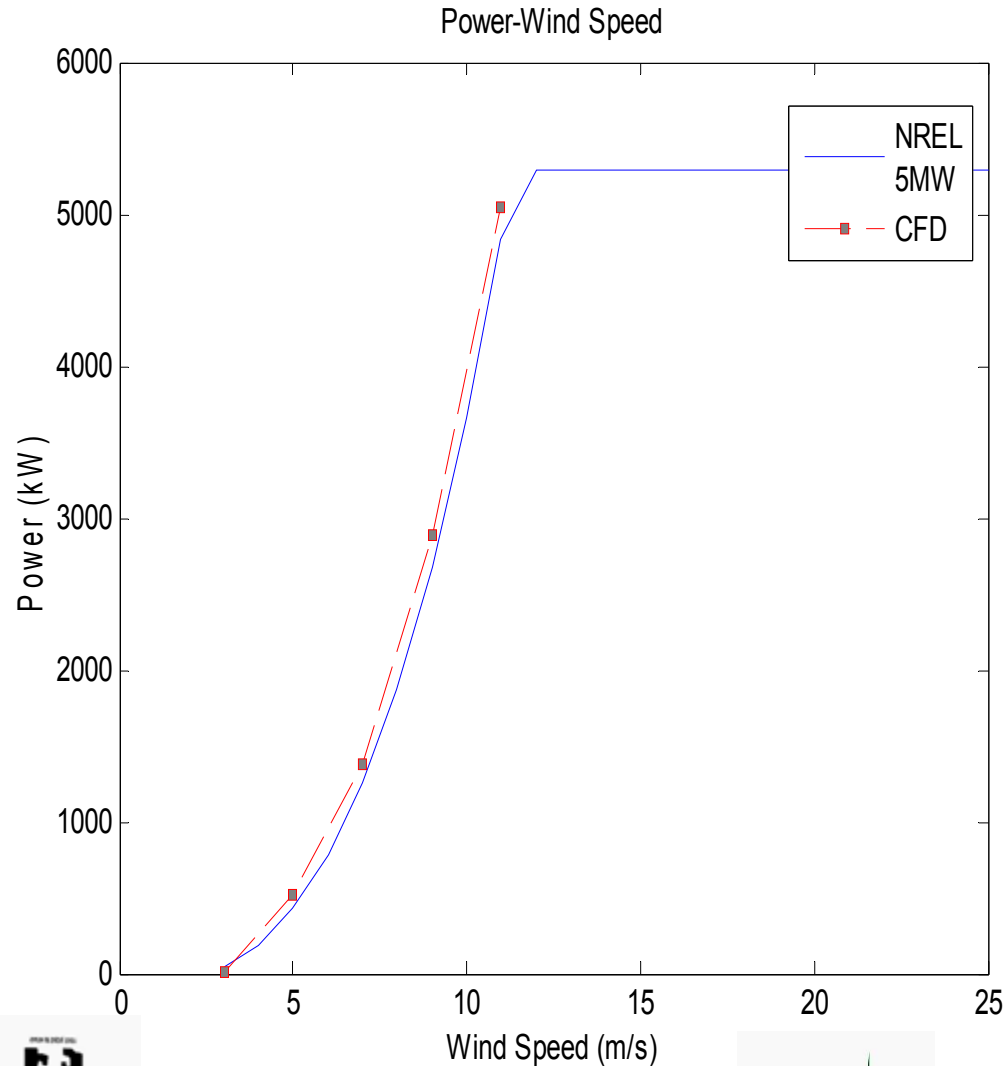
| STATION | RNodes         | Airfoil            |
|---------|----------------|--------------------|
| 1       | 2.8667         | Cylinder1          |
| 2       | 5.6000         | Cylinder1          |
| 3       | 8.3333         | Cylinder2          |
| 4       | 11.7500        | DU40               |
| 5       | 15.8500        | DU35               |
| 6       | 19.9500        | DU35               |
| 7       | 24.0500        | DU97W300           |
| 8       | <b>28.1500</b> | <b>DU91W(2)250</b> |
| 9       | <b>32.2500</b> | <b>DU91W(2)250</b> |
| 10      | 36.3500        | DU93W210           |
| 11      | 40.4500        | DU93W210           |
| 12      | 44.5500        | NACA64XX           |
| 13      | 48.6500        | NACA64XX           |
| 14      | 52.7500        | NACA64XX           |
| 15      | 56.1667        | NACA64XX           |
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# Obtención de la curva P-v

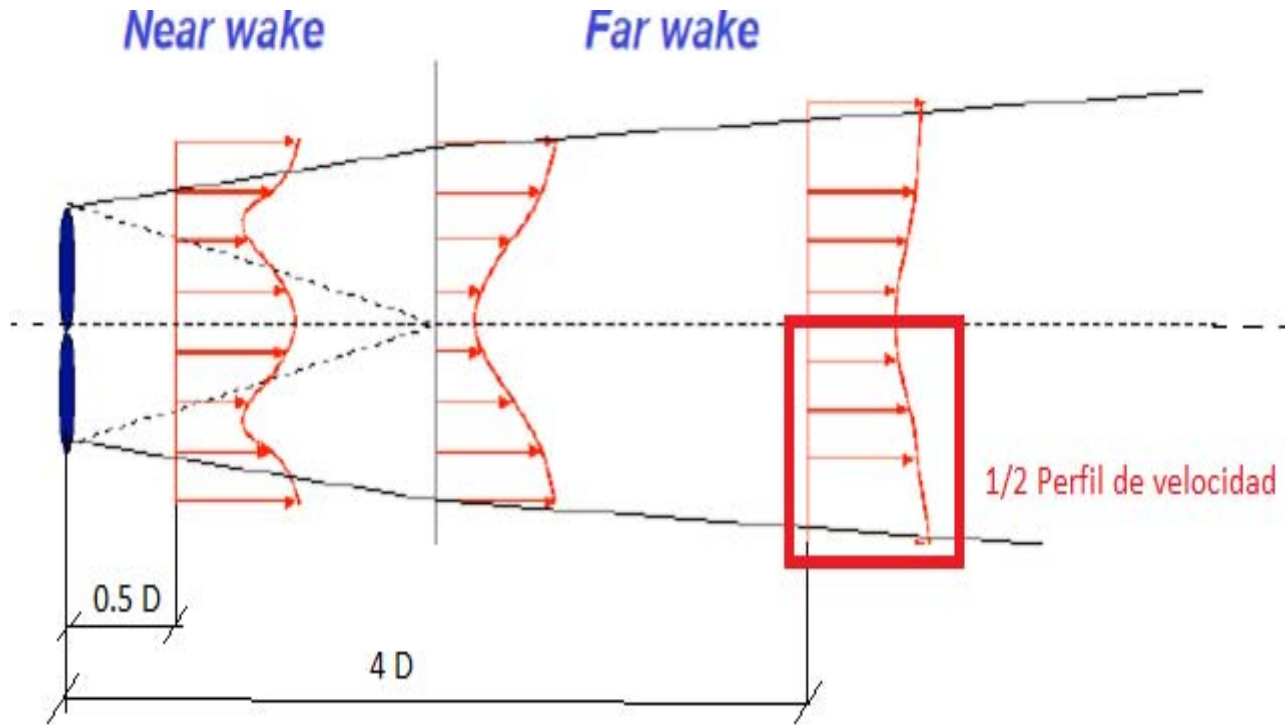


\*Choya et al. ECRES 2017Istanbul 2016.

\*J. Jonkman, S. Butterfield, W. Musial and G. Scott, "Definition of a 5 - MW reference wind turbine for offshore system development"

| $U_{\infty}$ | Potencia prevista (kW)[3] | Potencia obtenida (kw) | Error relativo (%) |
|--------------|---------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| 3 m/s        | 42.9                      | 7.5                    | -82.52             |
| 5 m/s        | 427.9                     | 518.1                  | 21.1               |
| 7 m/s        | 1257.6                    | 1380.5                 | 9.77               |
| 9 m/s        | 2668                      | 2887                   | 8.21               |
| 11 m/s       | 4833.2                    | 5036.4                 | 4.2                |

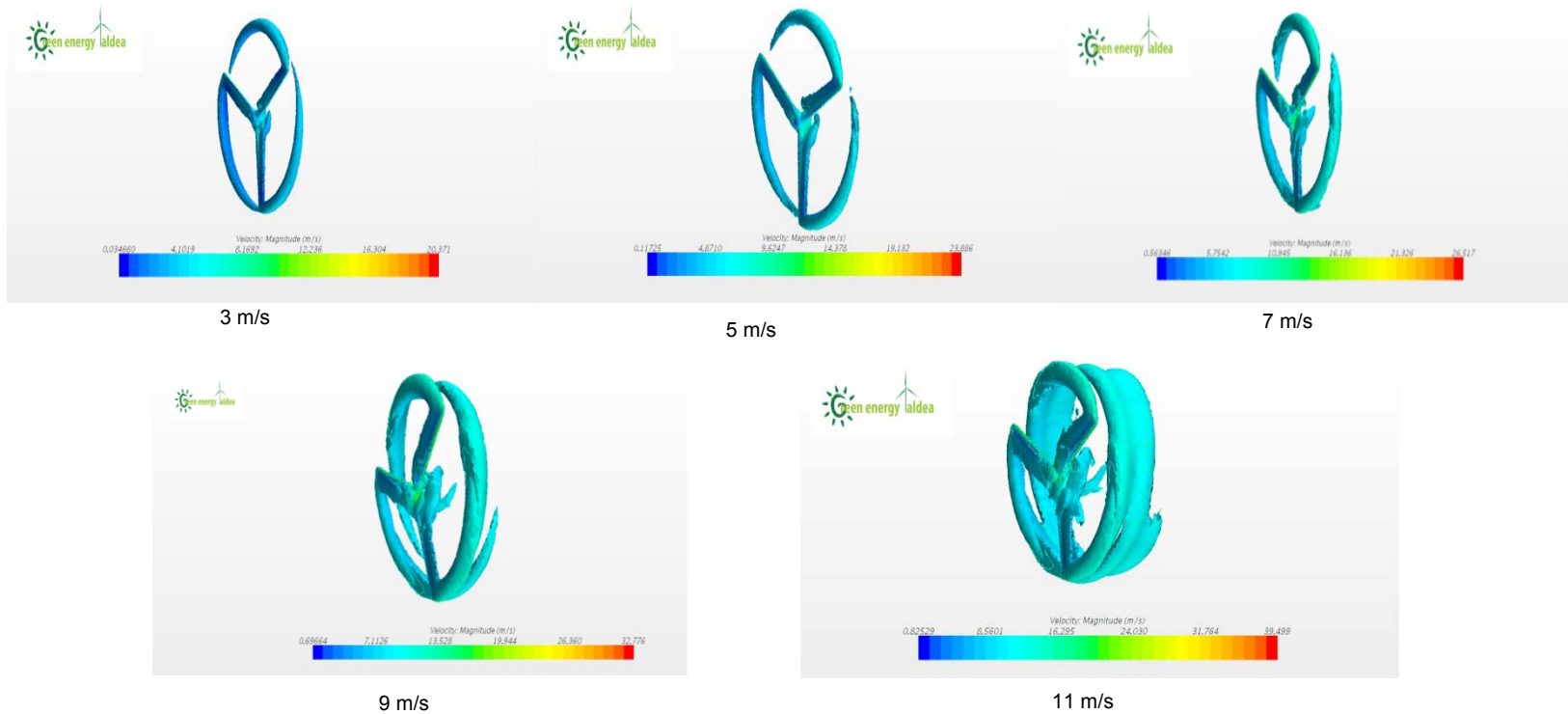
# Perfil de velocidades en la estela[4]



[4]M. L. Aitken, "Wind turbine wake characterization with optical remote sensing and computational fluid dynamics".



# Análisis Cualitativo-Estela

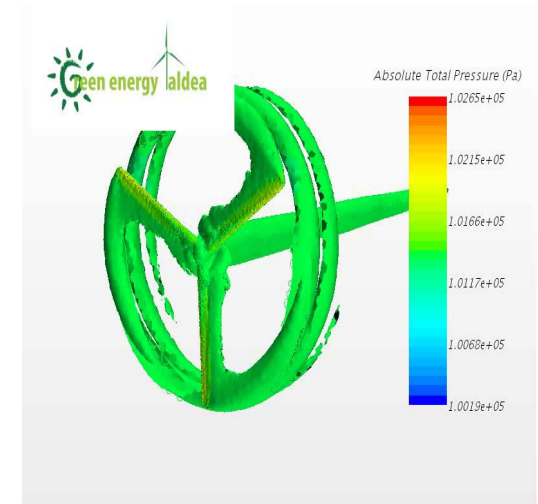


Isovorticity=0.2675/s



# Subjects for colaboration:

1. Moving Flaps (Rigid).
2. Flexible flaps.
3. Serrated T.E. 3D
4. Innovative geometries of VGs.
5. Gurney flaps (Size Parametric study).
6. 5MW Wind Turbine: Full rotor computations.
7. VG effects on an DU airfoil.
8. BAY model implementation in OpenFoam (C++).
9. 2D active MTs – Control loop for CL/CD max





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