



# Pseudo magnetic direct drive (PDD) vs superconducting (SC) generators

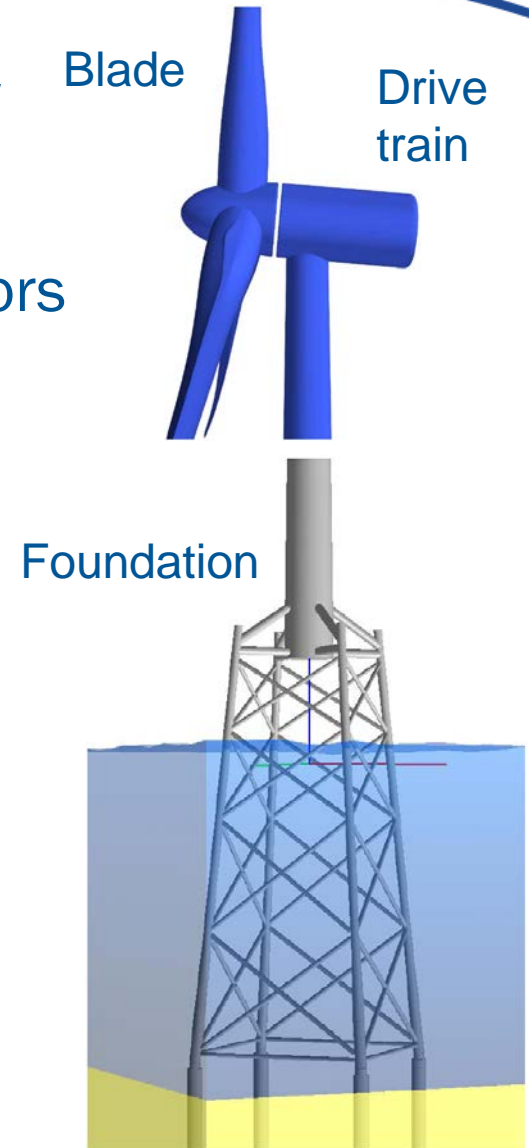
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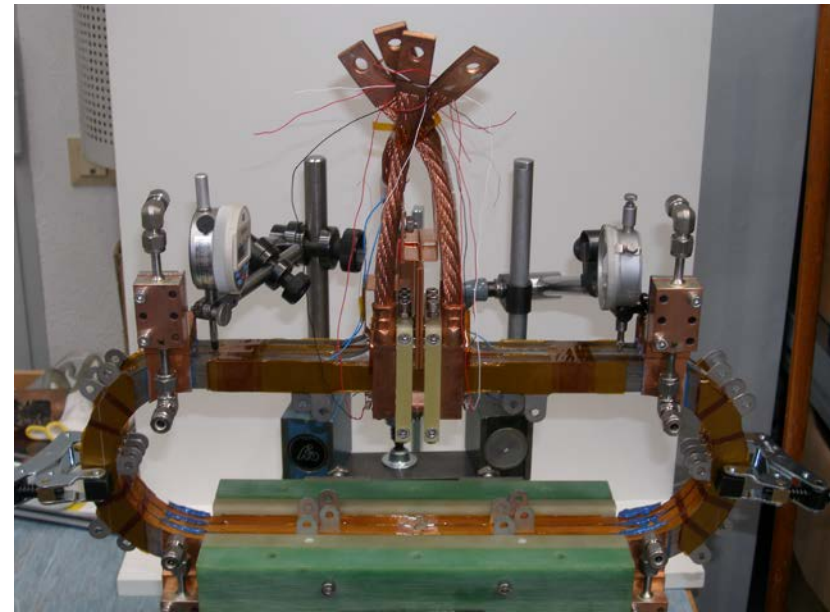
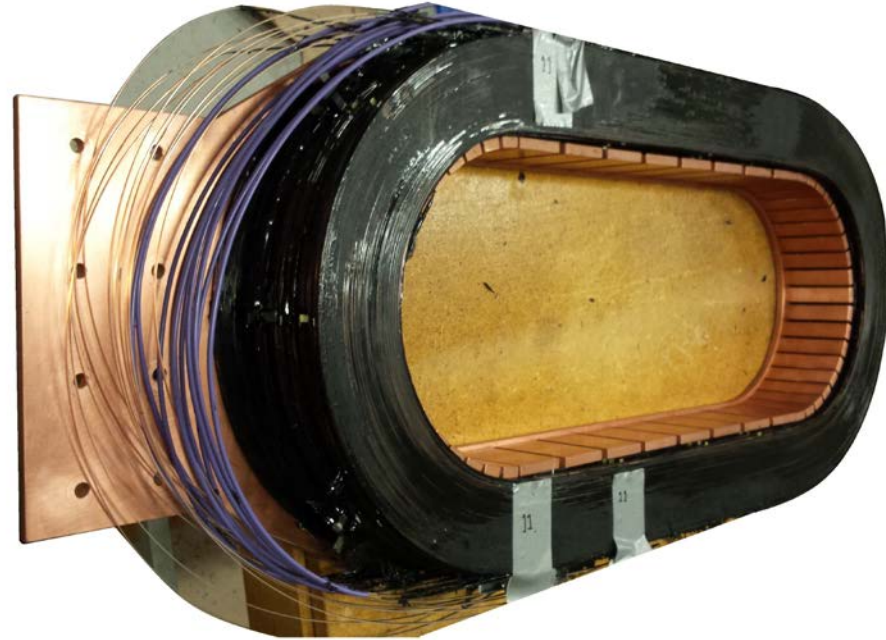
## Non-contact drive trains for 10 – 20 MW

- Superconducting direct drive generators
  - Coil demonstration
  - Generator design
- Pseudo Direct Drive generator
  - Optimization
  - Demonstrations
- Cost & Efficiency
- Conclusion



# Superconducting field coil demonstrations

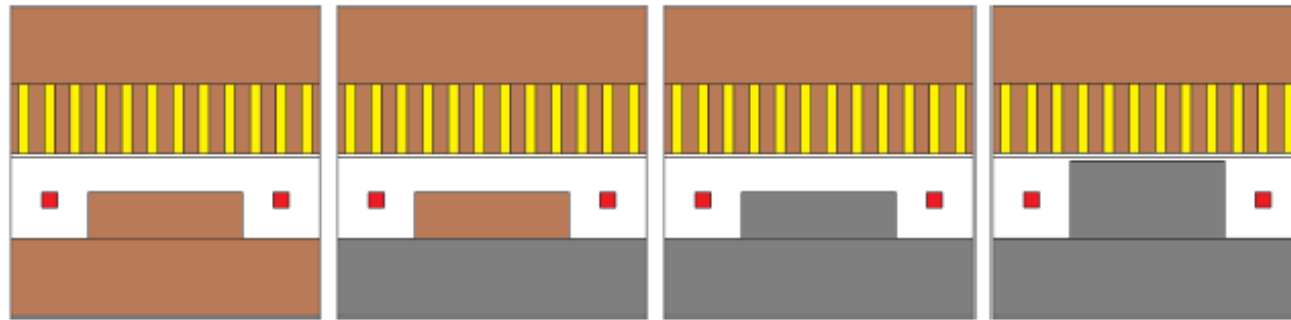
- SINTEF:  $\text{MgB}_2$  wire
  - 10 pancake coils stacked
  - SIEMENS: High Temperature Superconductor (HTS) wire
  - 8 coils, 3 stacked
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- Coils demonstrated
  - Some coils failed
  - Full automation of coil manufacturing needed (fingers off)



# SC topology optimisation and comparison

**G10**  
15 €/kg

**Cop-  
Per**  
15 €/kg



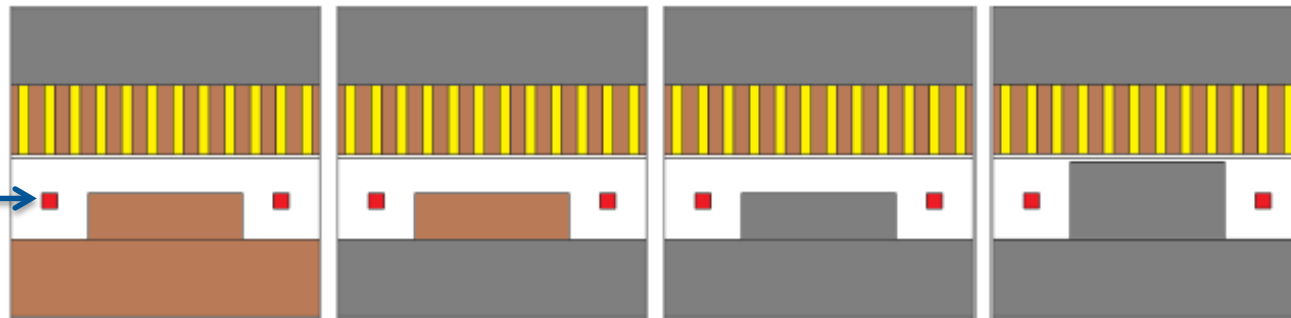
(a) T1

(b) T2

(c) T3

(d) T4

**MgB<sub>2</sub>**  
4 €/m



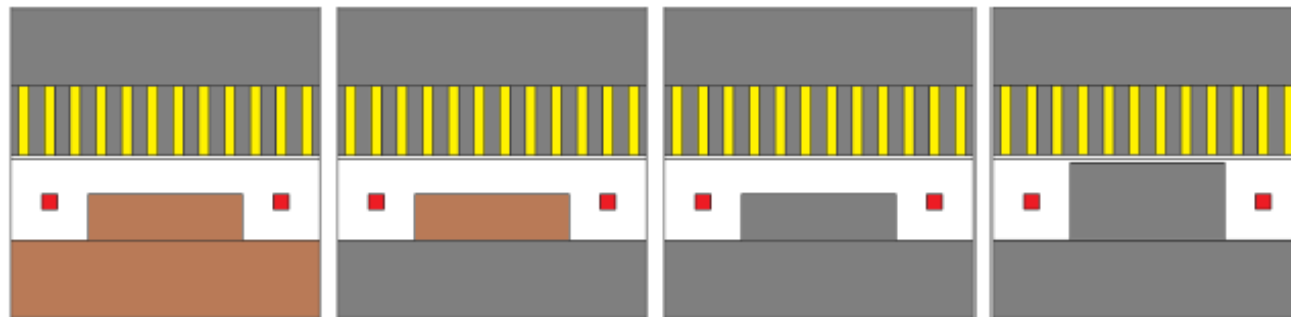
(e) T5

(f) T6

(g) T7

(h) T8

**Iron**  
3 €/kg



(i) T9

(j) T10

(k) T11

(l) T12

Liu et al.  
IEEE TAS  
2017

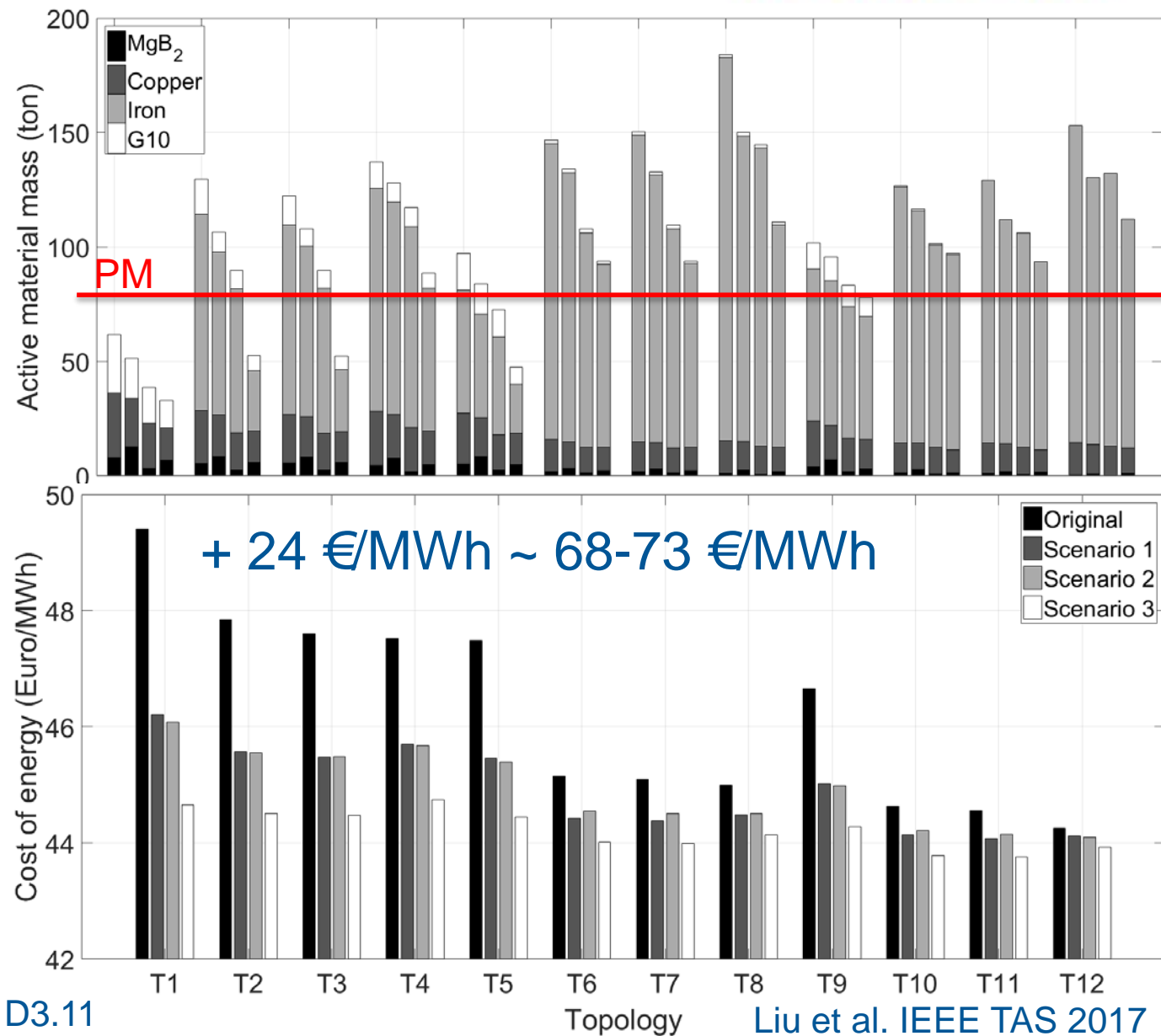




# Optimized 10 MW

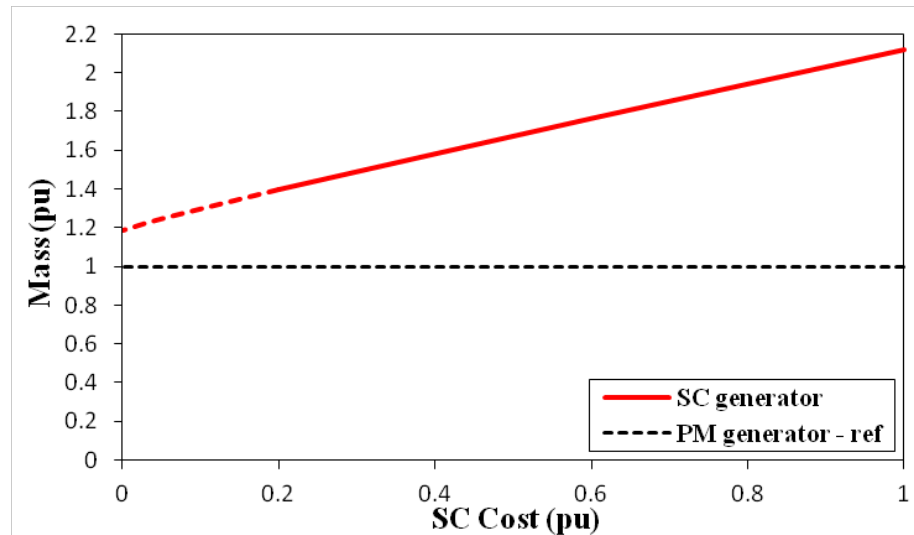
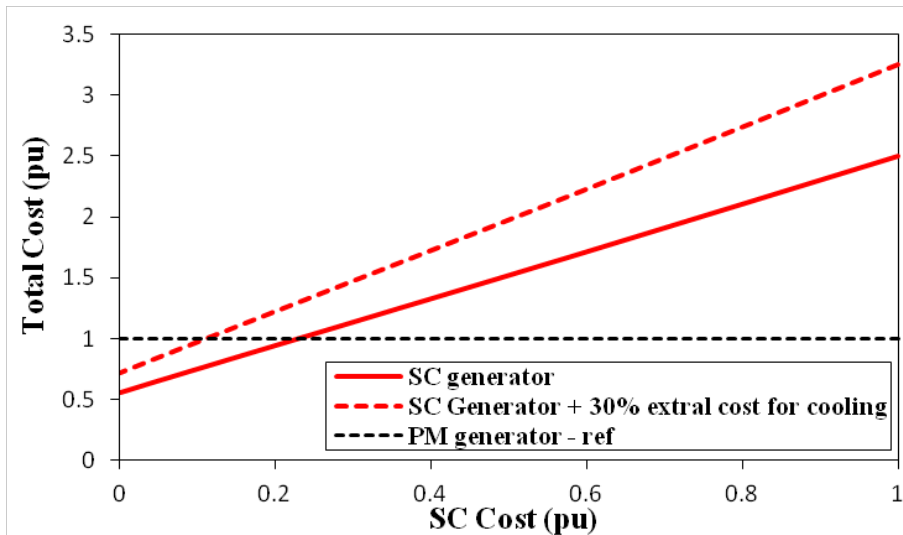
$$LCoE_{eq} = \frac{C_{act} + C_{other}}{a \cdot E_{AEP} \cdot T_{LT}}$$

- With iron:  
Cheap but heavy
- No iron:  
Light but expensive
- Future?
  - 1: SC cost  $\frac{1}{4}$
  - 2: SC  $4 \times J_e$
  - 3: Both 1 & 2



# PM vs HTS superconducting SIEMENS

- As high operation temperature as possible → HTS SC
- To be cheaper than PM, HTS SC cost must decrease 90%
- HTS SC is not expected to be lighter than PM for iron cored topology



# Concluding on SC Generators

- Models for designing and scaling SC generator developed
- Short-circuit currents limited by segmenting
- AC losses acceptable
- Low frequency power electronics no problem

## Conclusion

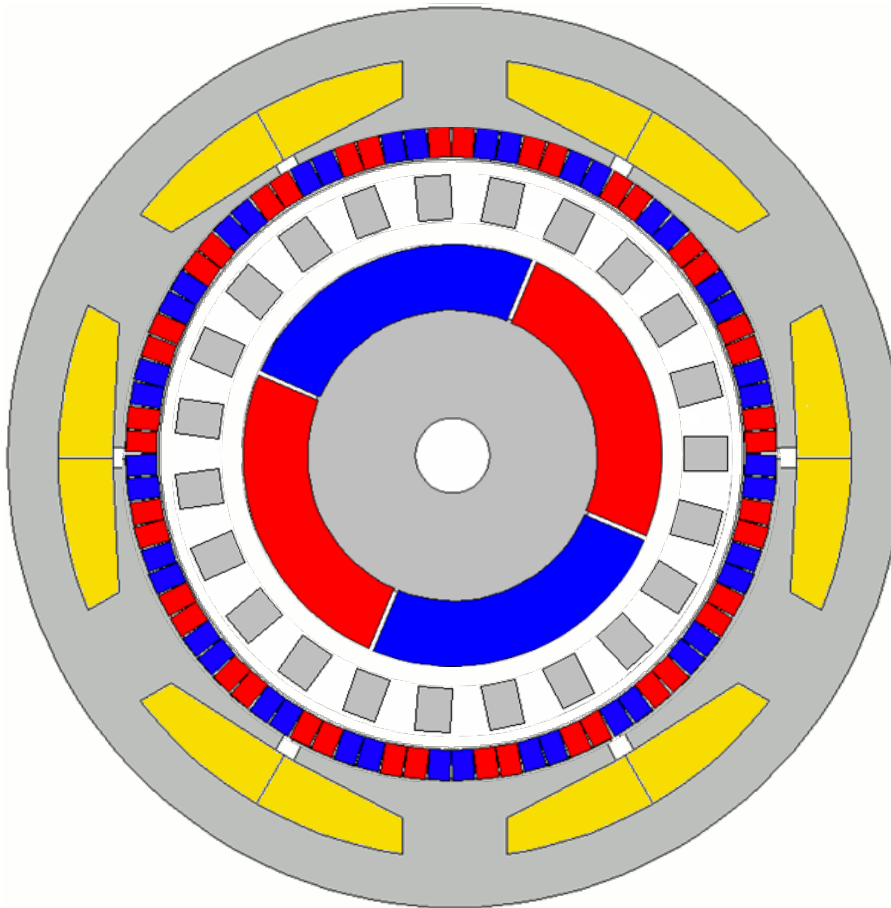
- Can be more compact than PMDD

## Further challenges

- SC does not (yet) result in lower LCoE than PMDD
- SC coil manufacturing
- Cryogenic cooling



# Magnetic Pseudo Direct Drive (PDD)

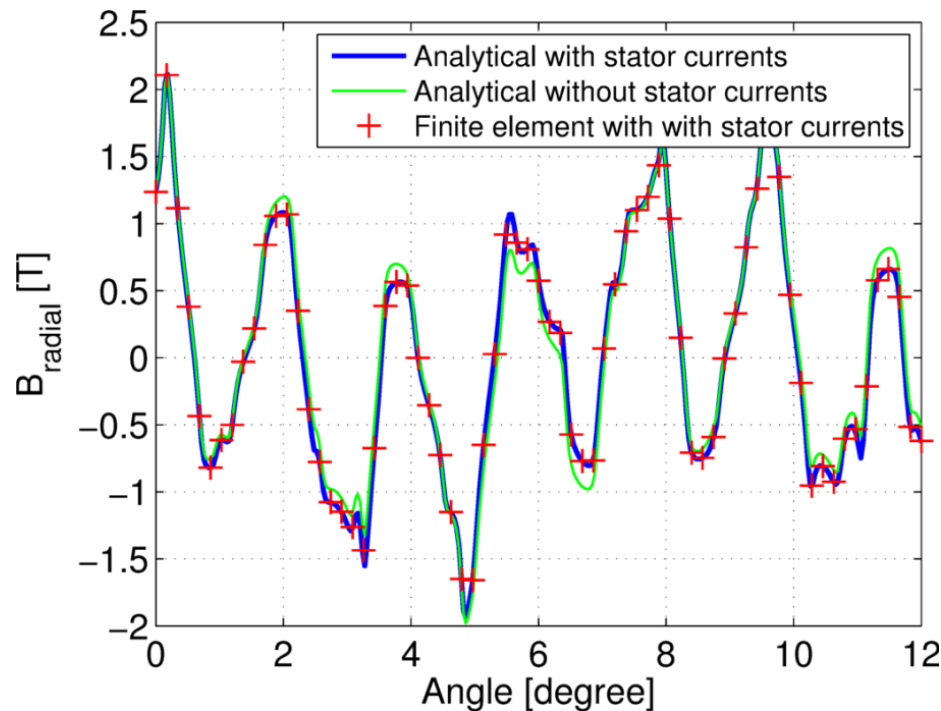


Magnetic gear  
+ Generator

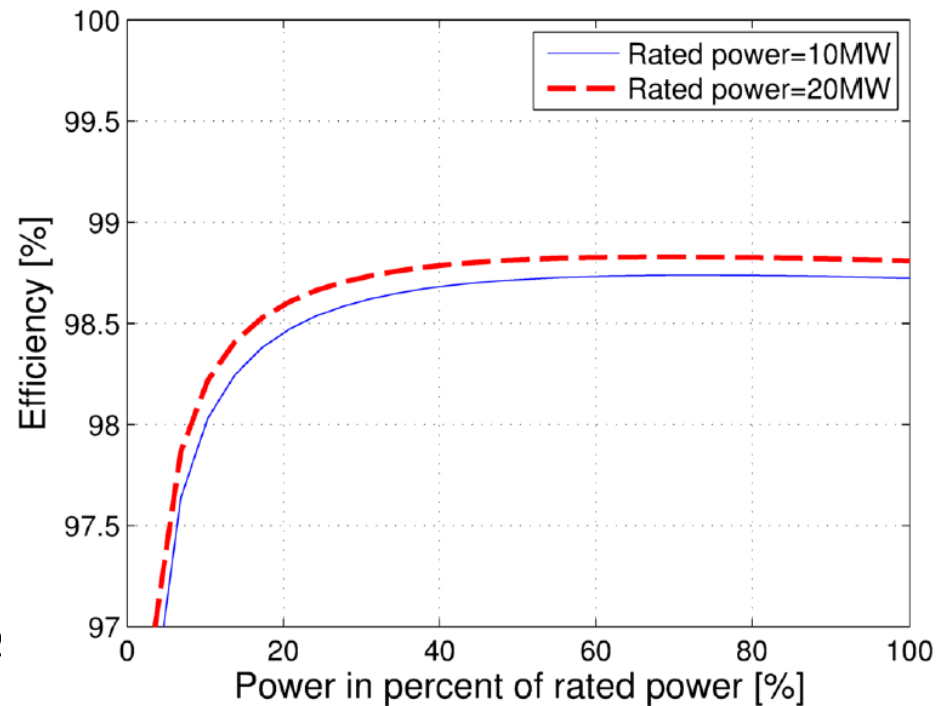
- Compact
- No contact
- High efficiency



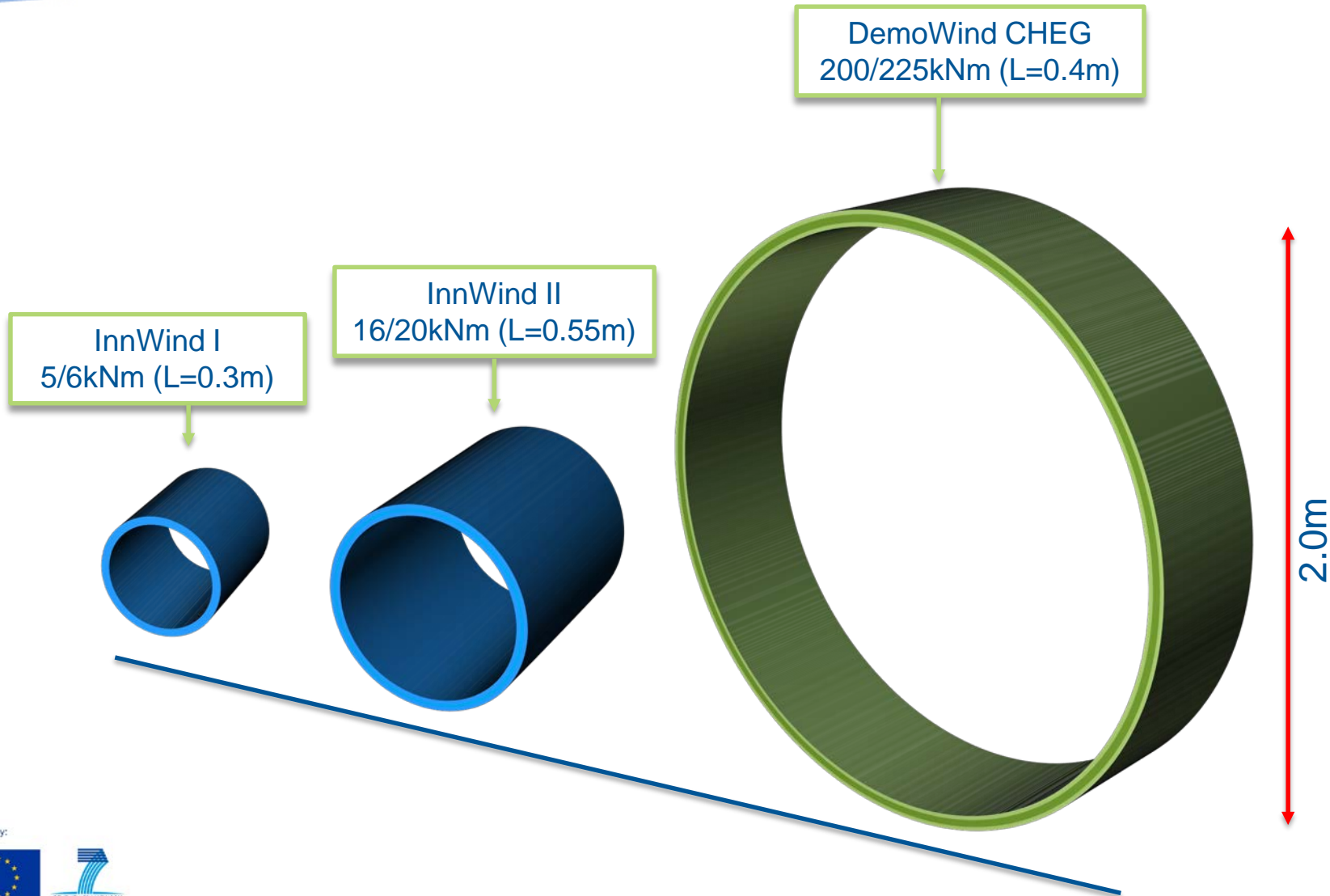
## Flux density waveforms in the outer airgap



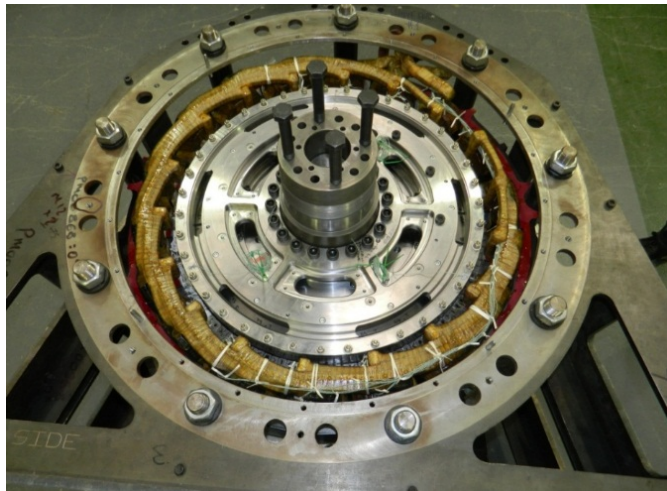
## Calculated efficiencies



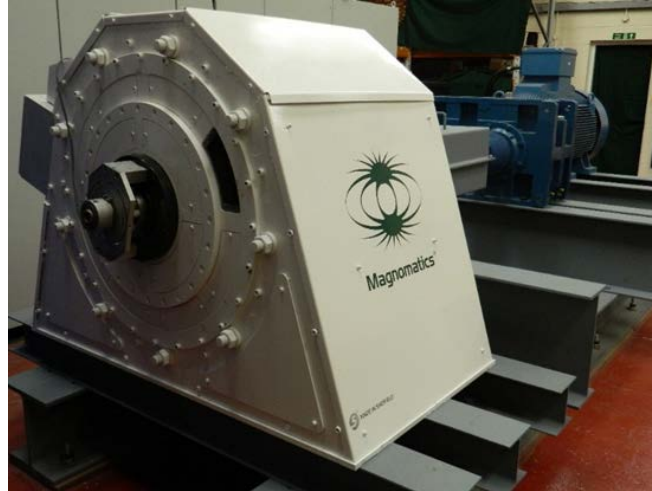
# PDD Demonstrators Magnomatics



# 16 kNm Demonstrator - New Pole Piece Rotor



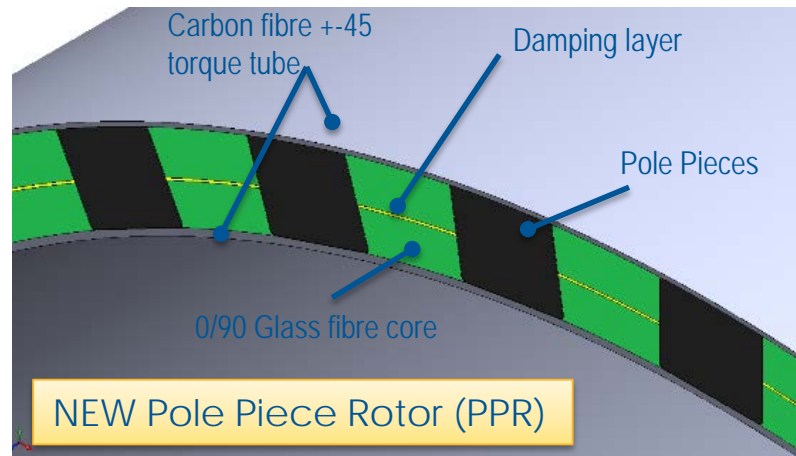
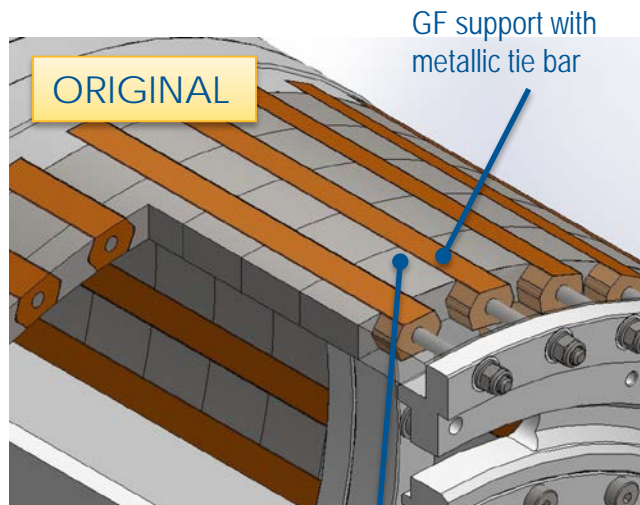
16kNm PDD during build



16kNm PDD on test



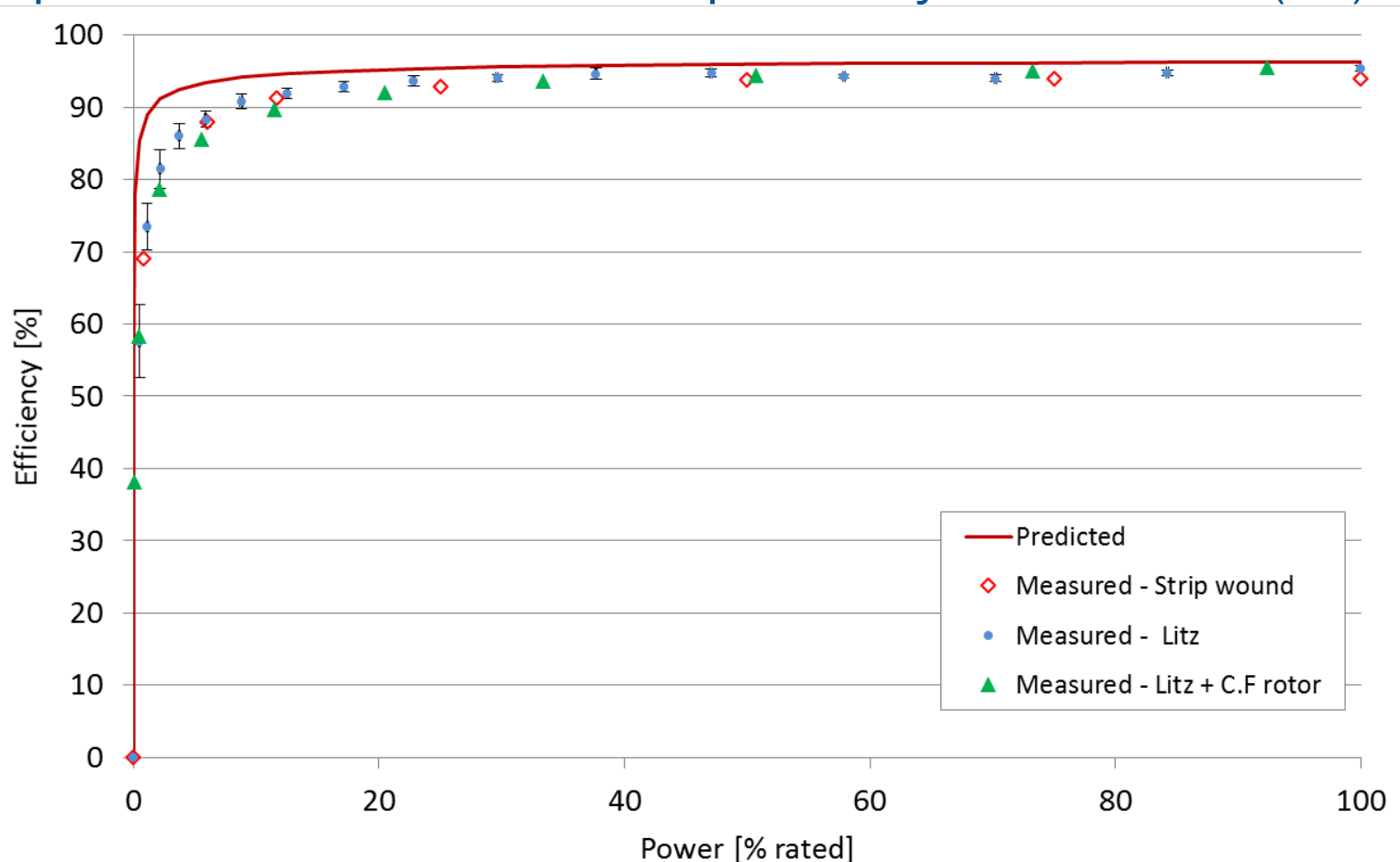
Original 16kNm PPR



Pole-pieces

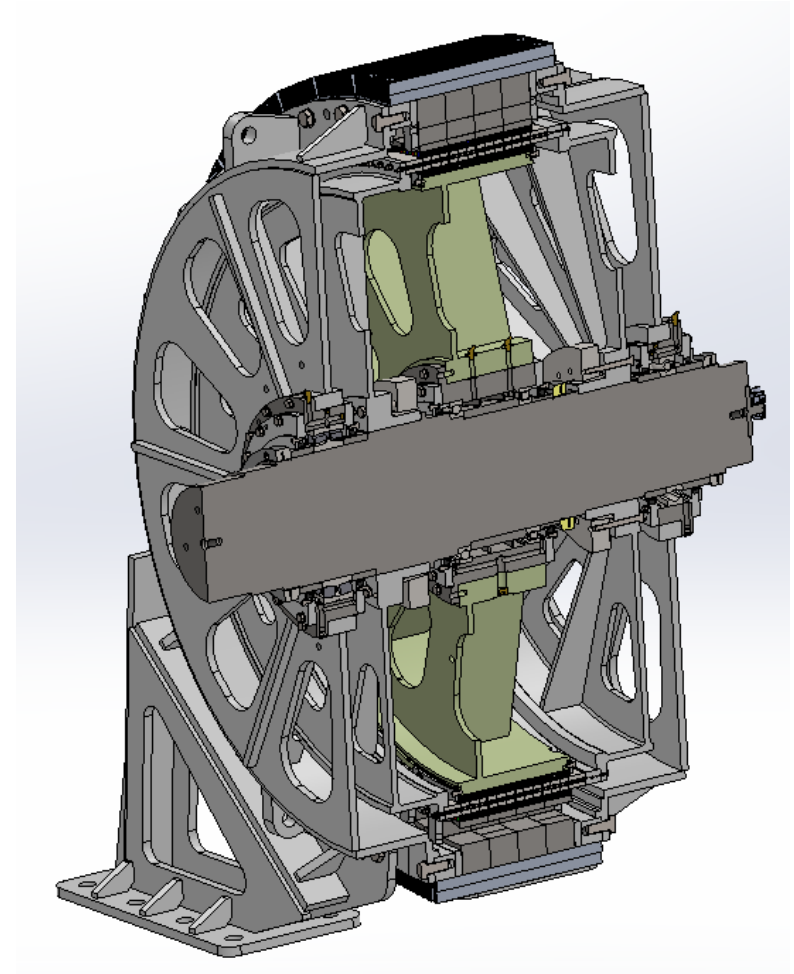
# 16 kNm PDD efficiency measurements

- Strip windings replaced by Litz wire
- Steel parts of Pole Piece Rotor replaced by carbon fibre (CF)





# DemoWind Generator 200 kNm & 0.5 MW





# Concluding on PDD generators



- Models for designing and scaling PDD developed (losses, structure, dynamics)
- Major steps in technology for pole piece rotor
- Models validated with 5 and 16 kNm demonstrators
- 200 kNm demonstrator under construction

## Conclusions

- Resulting efficiency higher than PMDD
- Resulting size significantly smaller than PMDD

## Further challenges

- Construction of the pole piece rotor
- Amount of Permanent Magnet (PM) material



# Efficiency 10 MW

