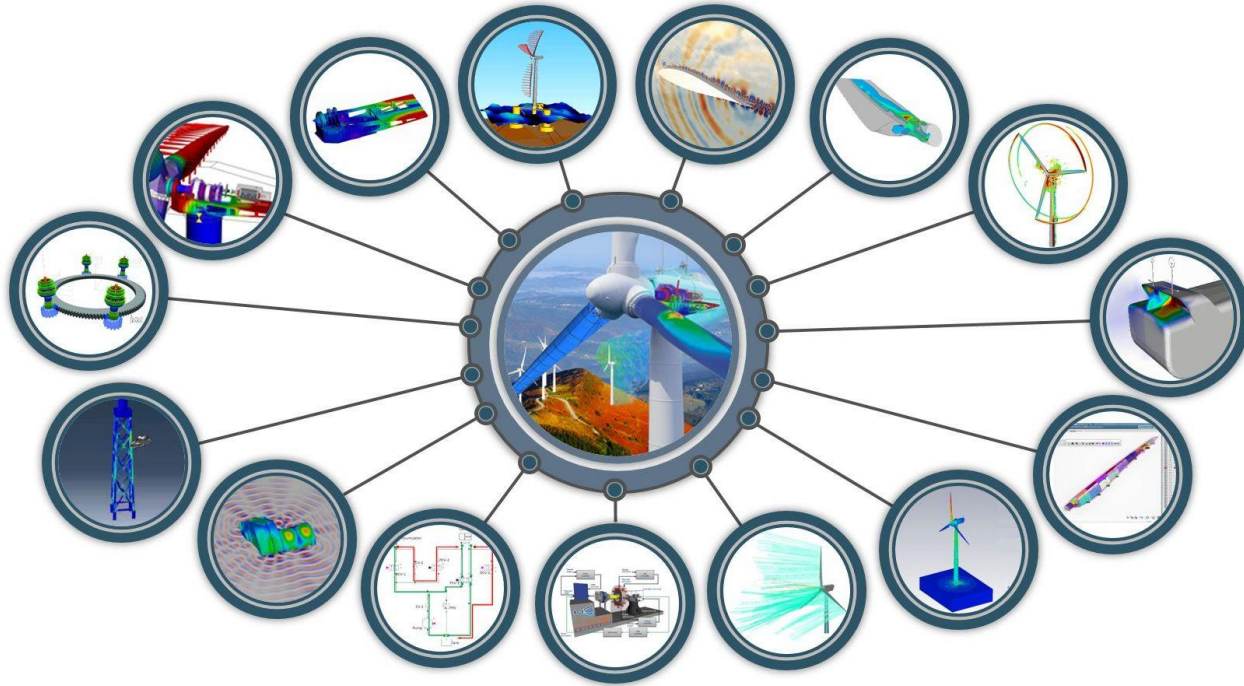


# Wind Turbine Engineering



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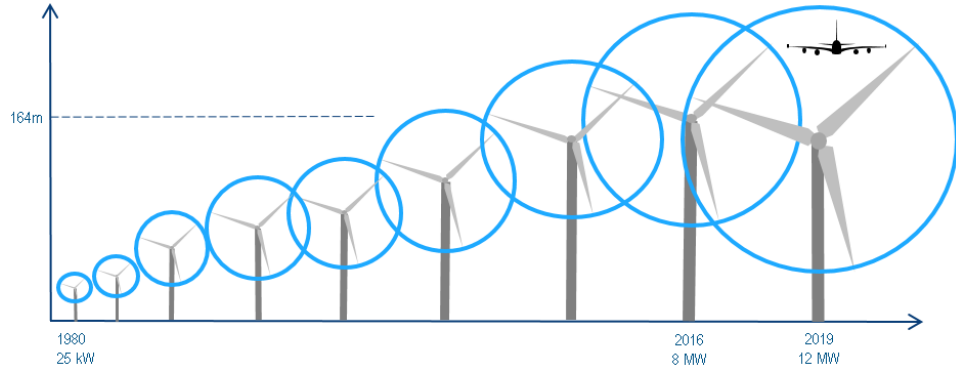


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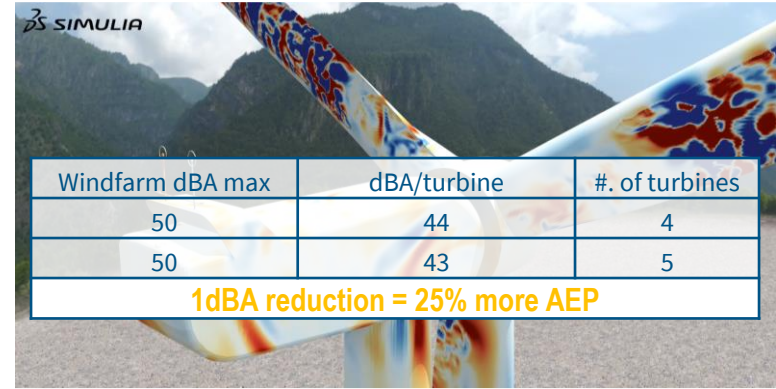
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# Wind Turbine Engineering | Industry Trends

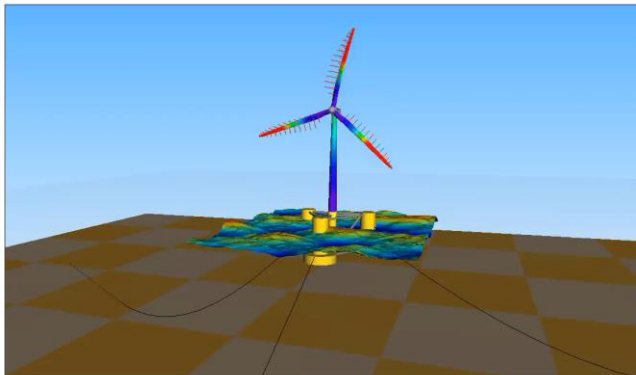
## Increasing Turbine Size



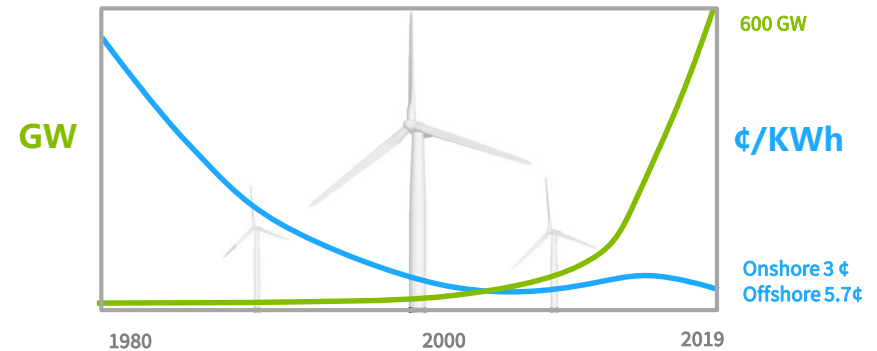
## Noise



## Offshore



## Decreasing Margins, Increasing Capacity



# Wind Turbine Engineering | Challenges

## Lowering the Cost of Energy

### CAPEX

- Generate accurate load predictions
- Reduce turbine cost
- Lower noise
- Minimize prototypes and testing
- Decreasing R&D time and resources
- Enable innovation

### OPEX

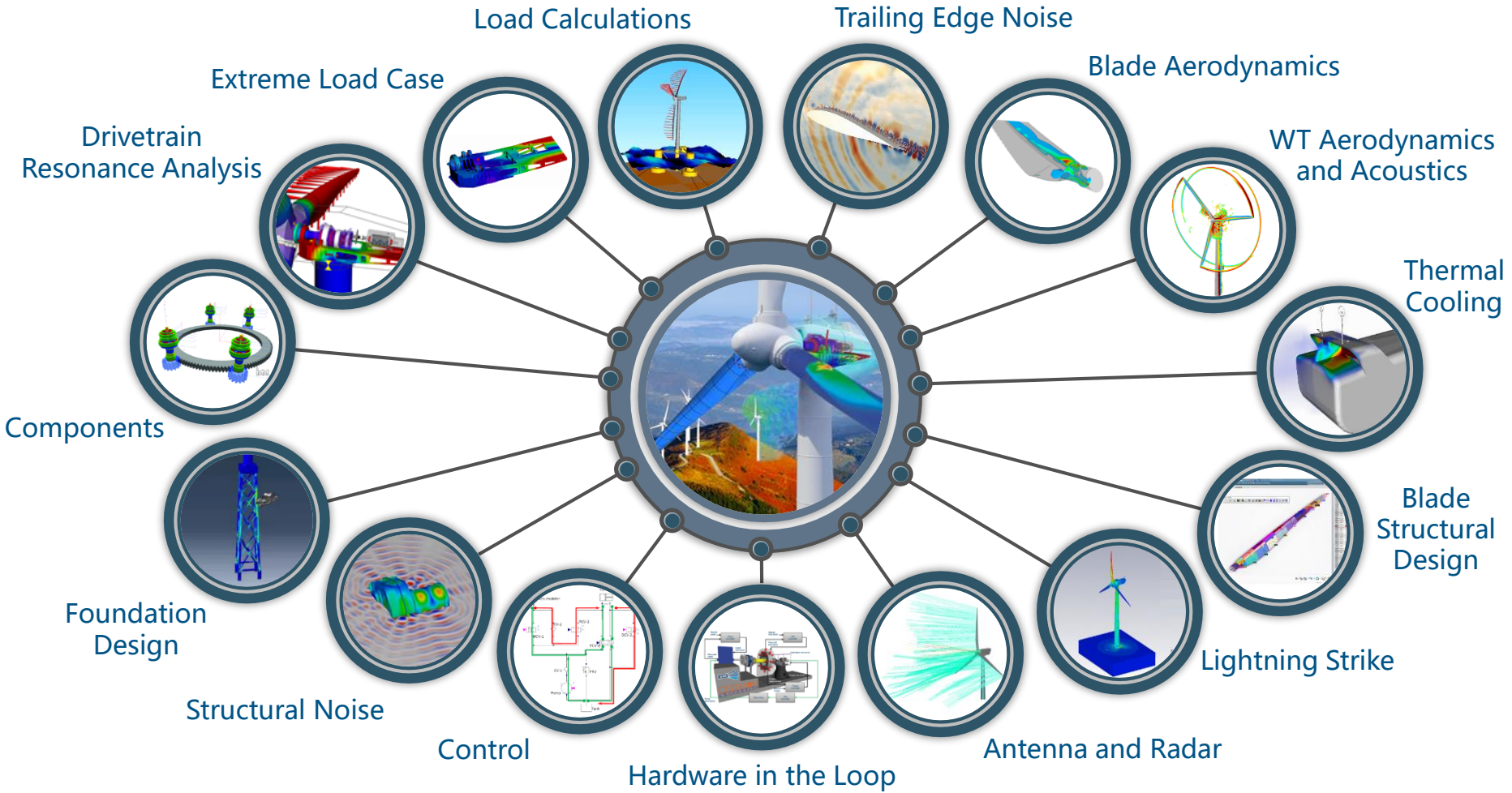
- Avoid risk
- Maximize turbine output
- Increase nighttime operation
- Extend lifetime





# Wind Turbine Engineering







# Wind Turbine Engineering | **Benefits**



Cost Savings



Optimize Products



Power Increase



Avoid Risk



First-to-Market



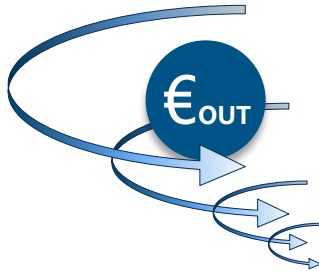
With accurate high fidelity modelling, significant cost savings can be achieved

## CAPEX reduction using MBS simulation for a single multi-megawatt turbine:

Accurate simulation enables a CYCLE of:

- decreased loads
- reduced mass
- lower dimensions

= **Downward Spiraling Costs**



Component	Cost Reduction
Tower	12%
Rotor	10%
Nacelle	13%
Drivetrain	9%

Savings = 340 k€ / turbine

Based on a 5MW Turbine

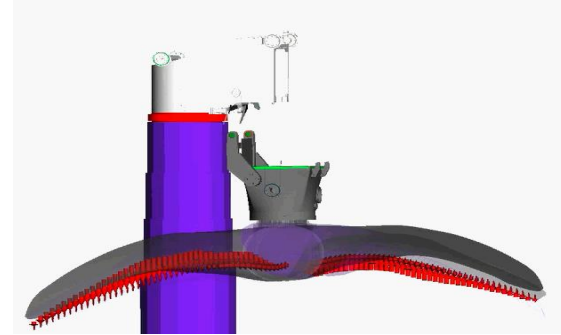
# Wind Turbine Engineering | Cost Savings



Substantial cost savings can also be achieved through innovation



Courtesy SkyWind



- Ability to simulate all aspects of all designs, in any level of fidelity
- Anything that can be imagined can be simulated.

Over 50x reduction in hoisting costs

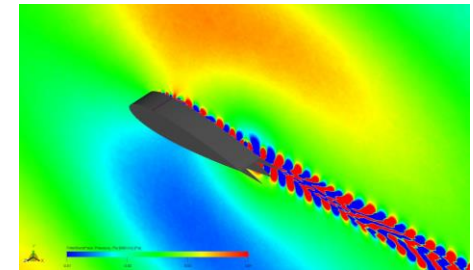
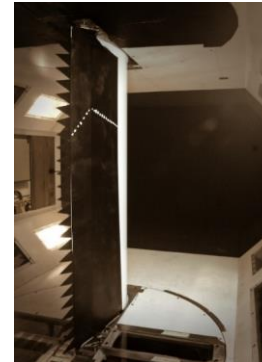
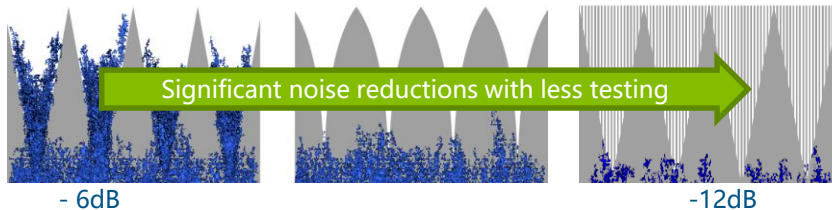




## Achieving early design benefits with Lattice Boltzmann CFD

Wind Tunnel Campaign	Simulation Campaign
Poor repeatability	100% repeatable
Limited data and insight	Understanding of physics
Only 2-4 add-ons / test	10x more design iterations

- Aeroacoustics: transient and realistic flow
- Short turnaround time (10x faster than competition & automated volume meshing)
- Extensive user and validation base for noise-suppression add-ons



# Wind Turbine Engineering | Power Increase



High fidelity FE analysis enables innovative wind turbine blade design with significant savings and energy gains

Investigate composite properties

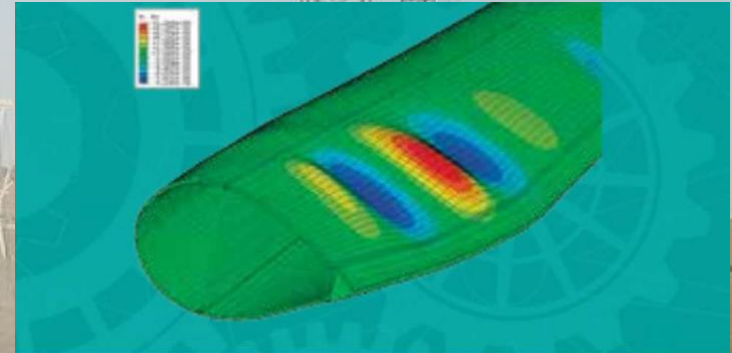
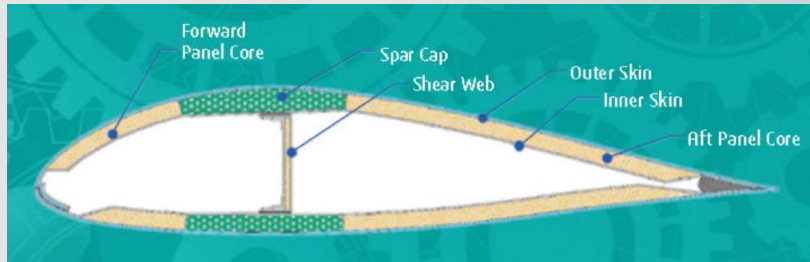
Automate workflows

Compare variants within design space

Shorter development time

Reduced testing

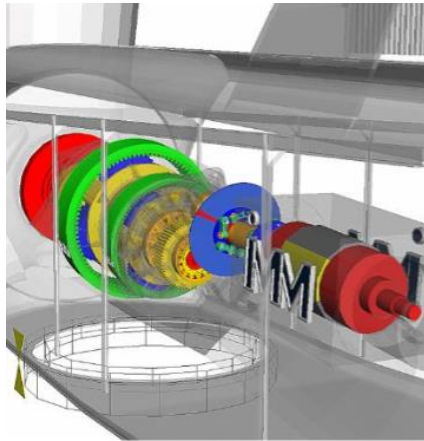
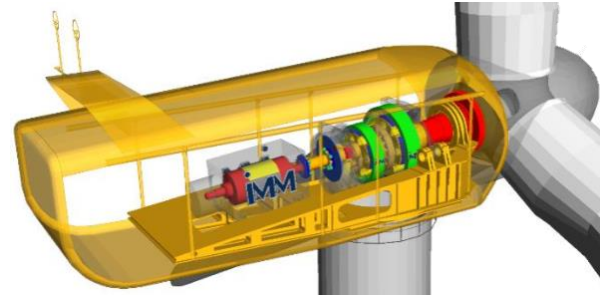
12 percent power increase



# Wind Turbine Engineering | Avoid Risk



Accurately calculate natural frequencies with higher fidelity models in order to avoid critical resonances that result in faults and down time. Higher accuracy also enables a larger optimization and cost savings potential.



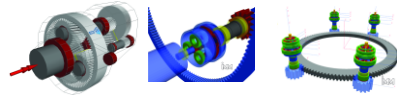
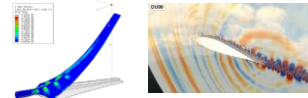
Model Fidelity Variant	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Tower flexible										✓
Main frame flexible									✓	✓
Gearing flexible								✓	✓	✓
Gearbox housing flexible						✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Planet carrier flexible					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Gearbox housing, 6 DoF					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Shafts flexible				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Drivetrain parts, 6 DoF			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Rotorblades flexible		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Model Natural Freq [Hz]</b>										
1st torsional	11.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
2nd torsional	179.3	5.2	5.0	3.4	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7
3rd torsional	424.3	22.9	15.4	8.4	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7
4th torsional	488.0	180.8	55.2	47.0	32.3	30.9	30.7	30.6	30.2	30.0
5th torsional	536.4	424.6	150.7	93.6	97.5	96.3	93.7	93.9	92.7	92.1

Courtesy IMM TU Dresden

Higher fidelity = risk reduction, optimization and cost savings

# Wind Turbine Engineering | Avoid Risk

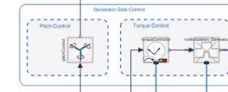
## Concurrent Engineering



### Components

- gearbox,
- pitch system,
- yaw system,
- ....

### Blades & Aerodynamics

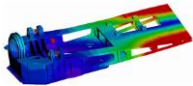


### Control



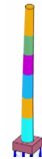
### Load Calculations

### Certification



### Structural parts

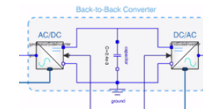
- hub,
- bedplate,
- ....



### Tower



### Foundation



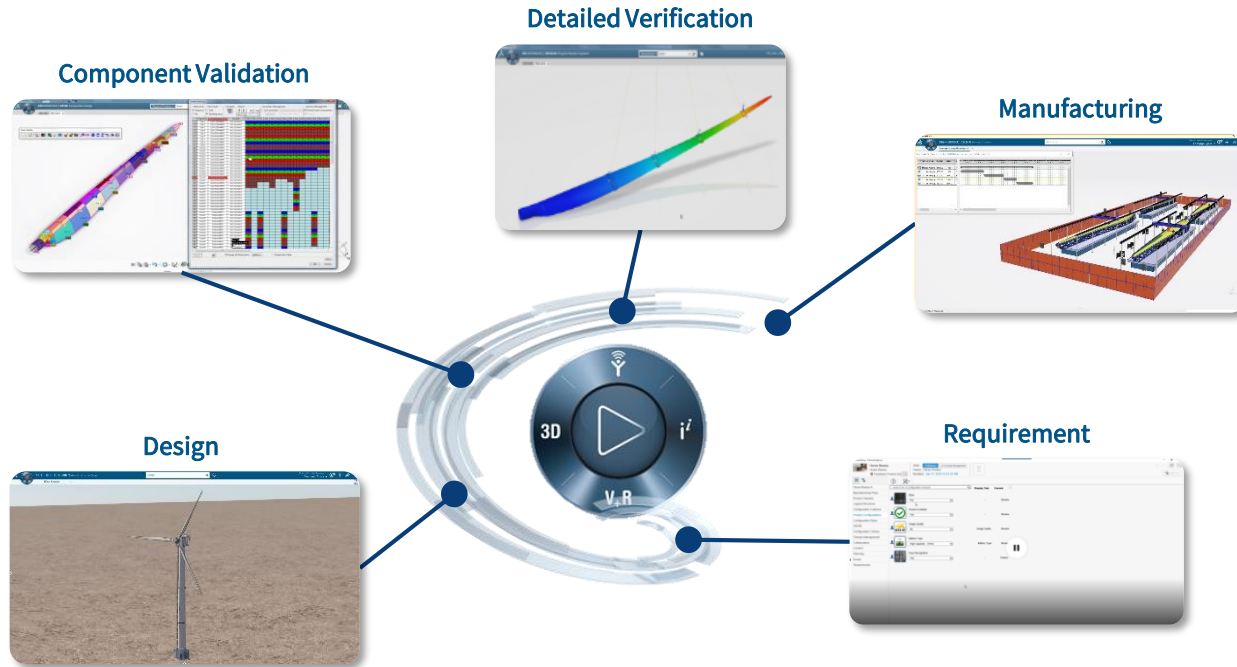
### Electrical System

# Wind Turbine Engineering | **Avoid Risk**



## 3DEXPERIENCE Platform - The Digital Thread

Full digital continuity from design to validation to manufacturing eliminates translations and other sources of data loss.



Single Source of Truth ✓

Traceability ✓

Versioning ✓

Collaboration ✓

Configuration ✓

Automated Workflows ✓

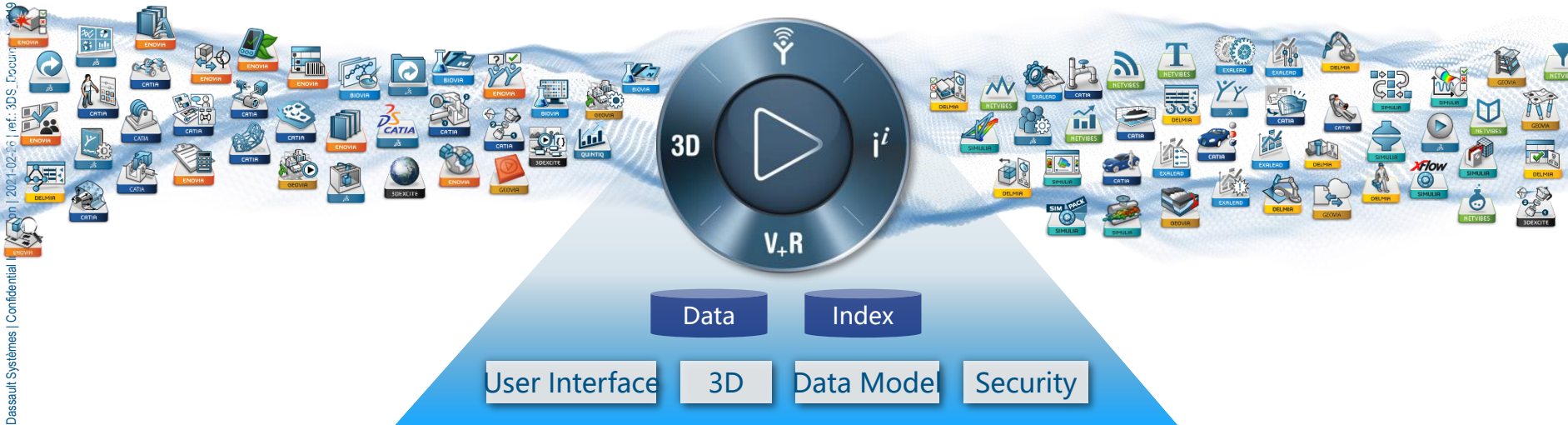




# Wind Turbine Engineering | First-to-Market

## Eliminate silos with the 3DEXPERIENCE Platform

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# Improve productivity

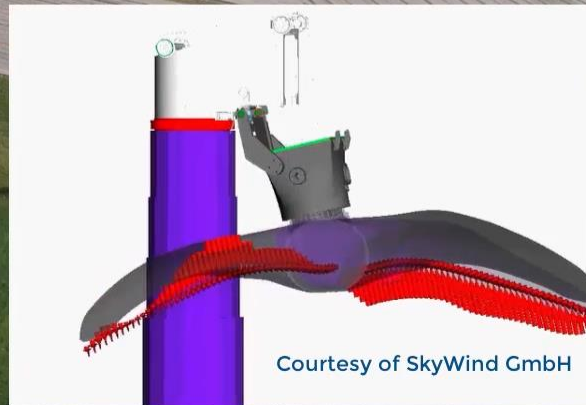


**LIVE**



3DEXPERIENCE

**INNOVATE**



# Wind Turbine Engineering | Workflows

## Load Calculations

Extreme Load Case

Drivetrain  
Resonance Analysis



# Wind Turbine Engineering | Load Calculations



## Solver Technology

- Fast, accurate and robust

## Simulation Model

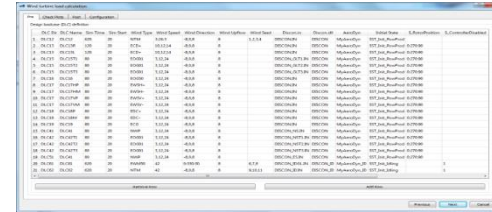
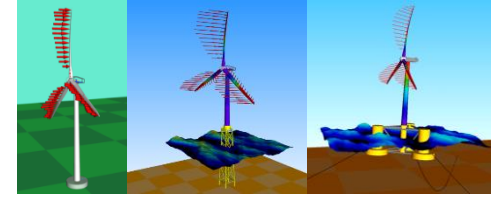
- Any type of wind turbine
- Any level of fidelity

## Automation

- Template Scripts for all Design Load Cases
- Result and report generation

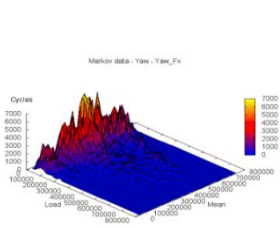
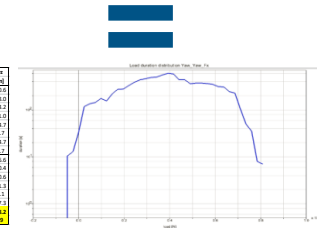
## Integration

- Easy integration into existing workflows
- Reading and writing of any data format type



On Premise On Cloud

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			(N)	(N)	(N)	(N)	(Nm)	(Nm)	(Nm)	(Nm)
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min	DirC18R.WS012	1.0	2867.4	-11.7	1583.5	3588.8	12843.1	-176.7	10120.0	
min	DirC18R.WS014	1.0	2964.4	288.1	1585.2	1731.1	12514.4	1883.1	-145.1	12416.2
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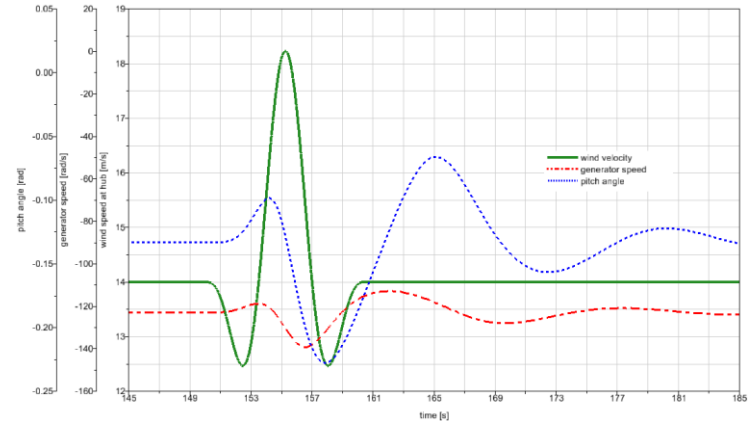
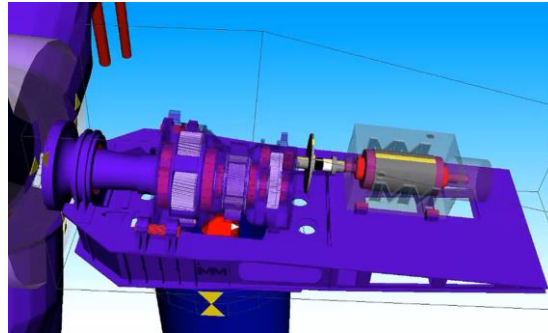
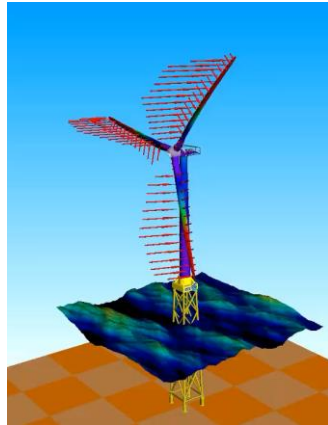
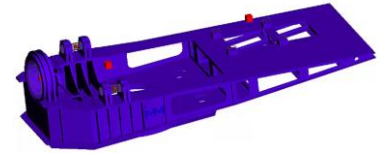
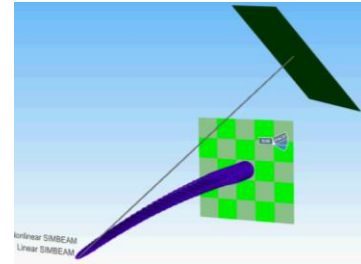


# Wind Turbine Engineering | Extreme Load Case



Simulations of extreme loads must often consider additional effects in order to achieve accurate results

- Non-linear blade deformation
- Flexibility of major components



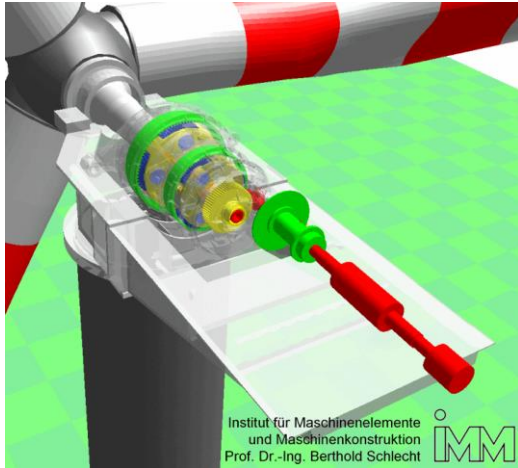


# Wind Turbine Engineering | Drivetrain Resonance Analysis



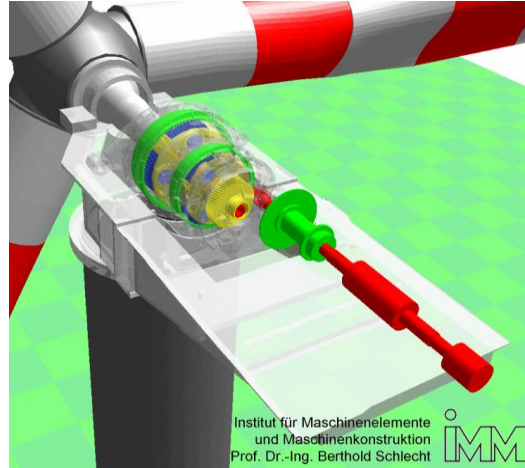

Critical Resonances.

- Identification, comprehension, elimination
- Automated
- run-up, resonance detection, result generation



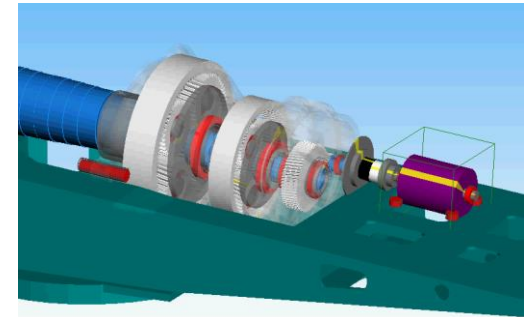
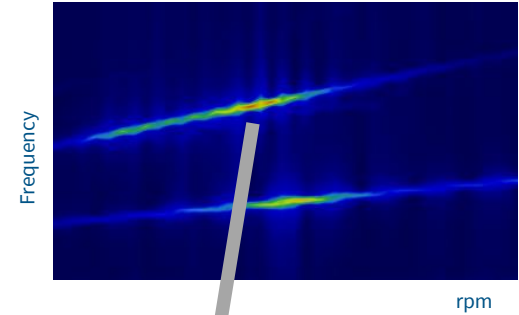
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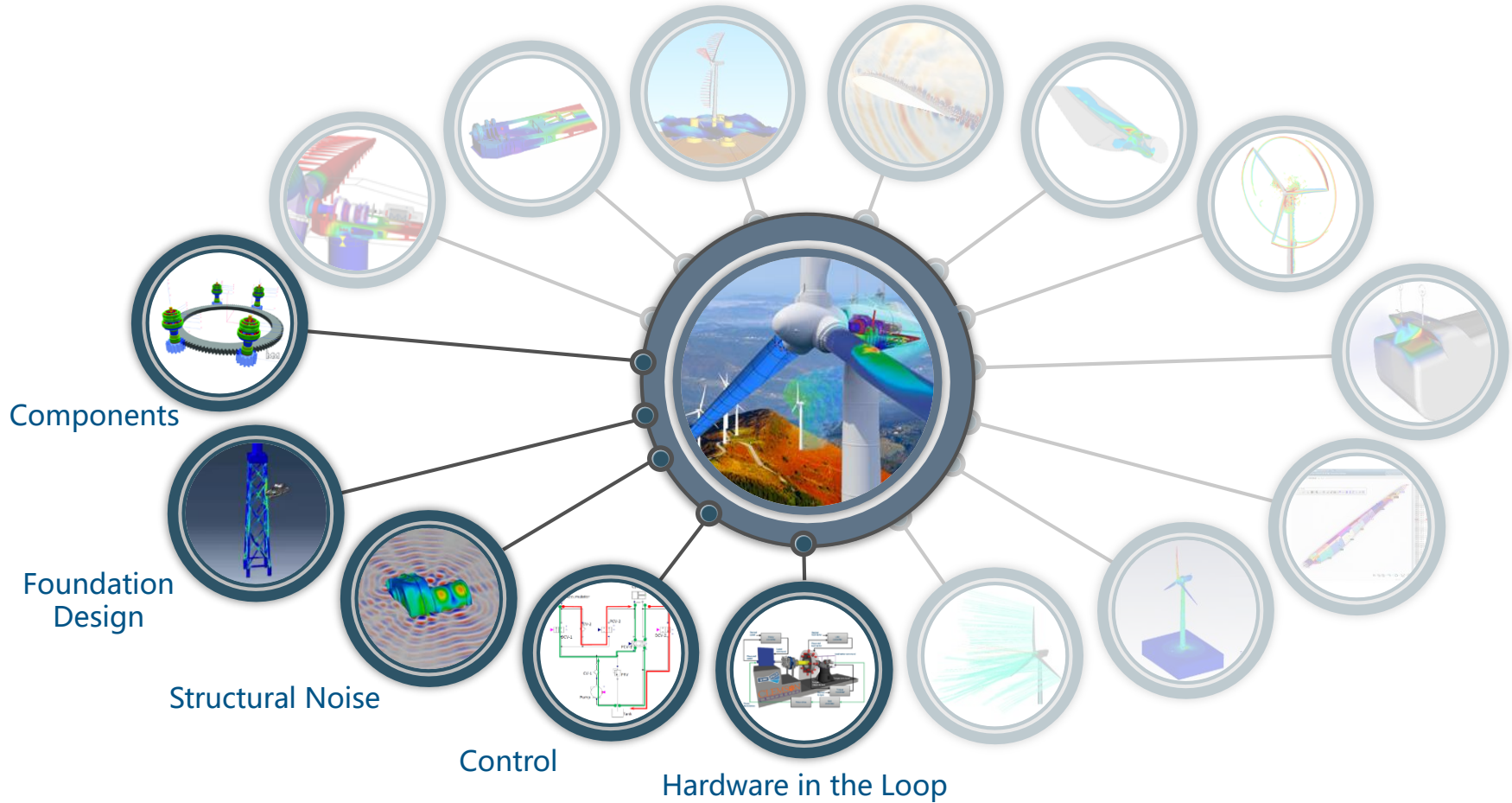
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Operating Deflection Shape

# Wind Turbine Engineering | IPE Workflows



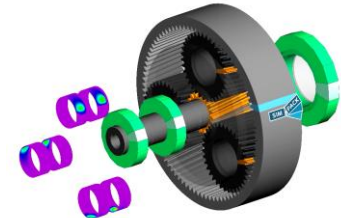
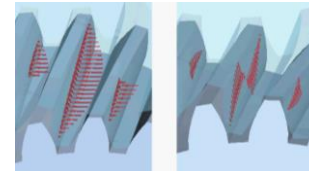
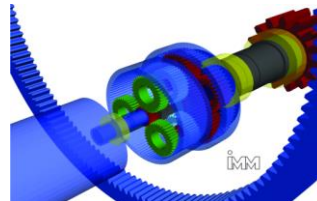
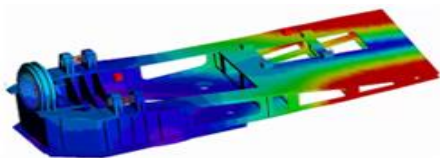
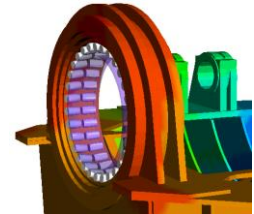
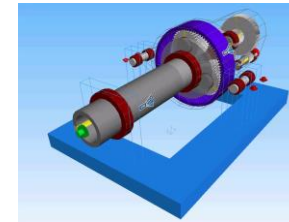
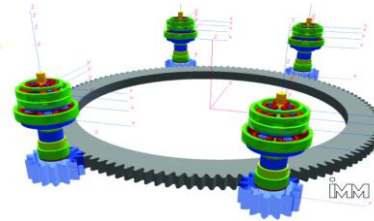
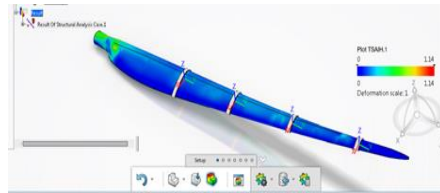
# Wind Turbine Engineering | Component Optimization



Analysis and optimization of all mechanical components

Holistic component simulation

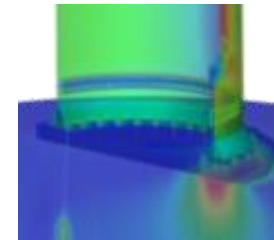
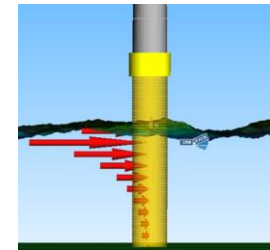
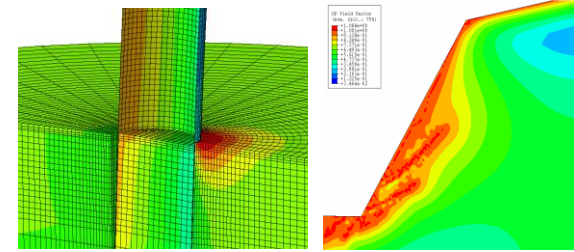
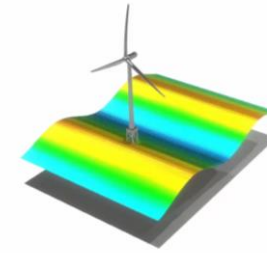
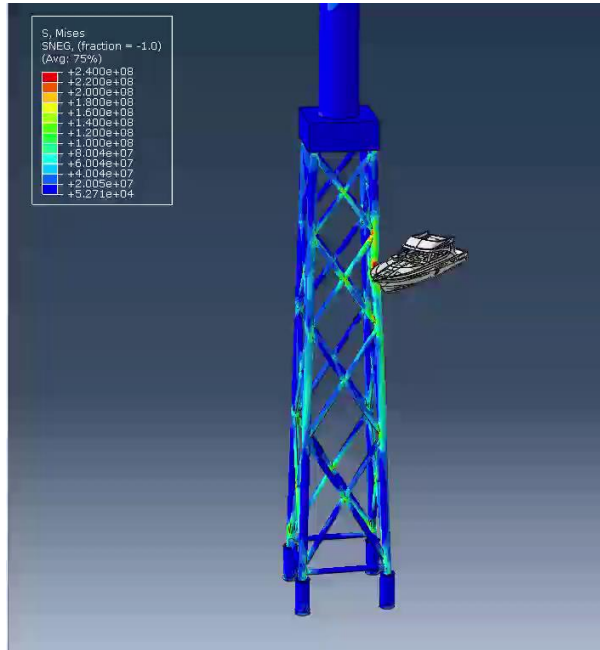
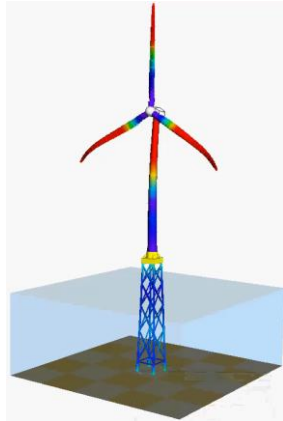
- Standalone for plausibility checks
- within test-rig for component validation
- within complete turbine for correct loads



# Wind Turbine Engineering | Foundation Design

Design, investigation, optimization, and risk reduction

- Complete system optimization
- Damage and failure analysis
- Extreme waves
- Soil interaction
- Bolt connections



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# Wind Turbine Engineering | Structural Noise



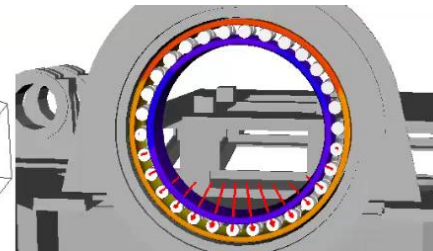
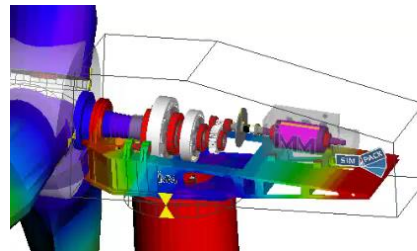
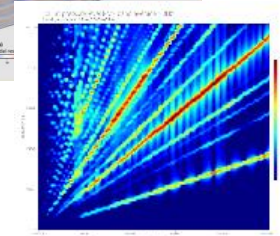
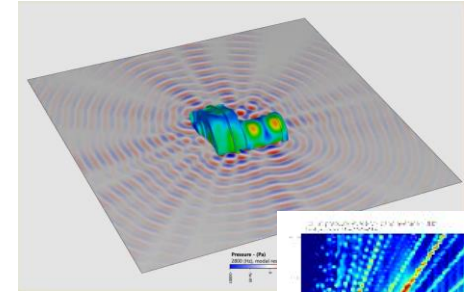
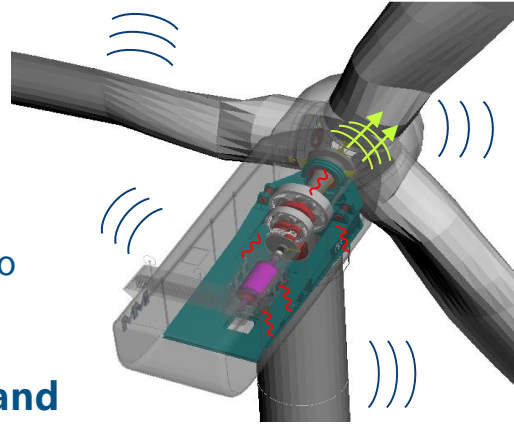
Noise reduction is a primary design driver

Noise vibration sources

- Gear wheel meshing
- Pumps
- Motors

From the source the vibration is transferred to emitting surfaces.

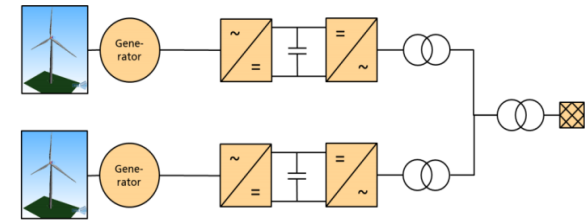
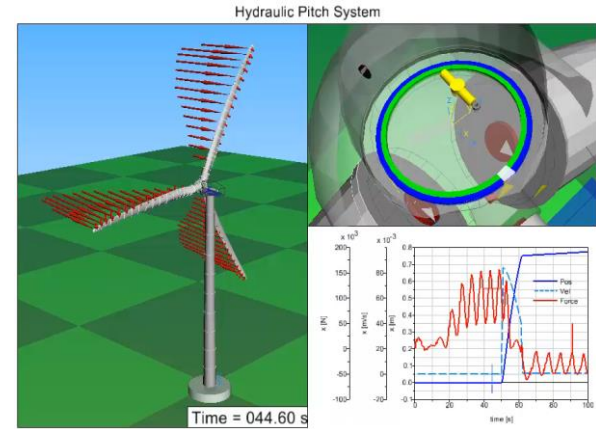
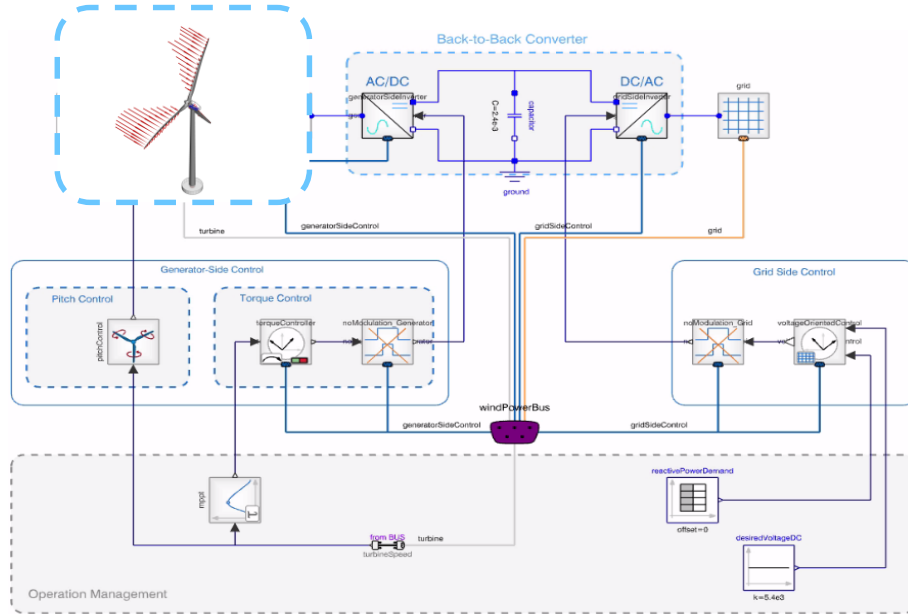
**High fidelity models within accurate and capable FEA, MBS and SEA software enable structural noise reduction.**





# Wind Turbine Engineering | Control

Optimization of fully coupled system, including control, power electronics, hydraulics, grid, etc.



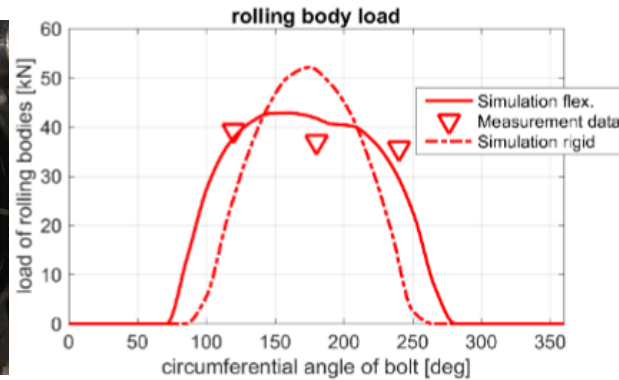
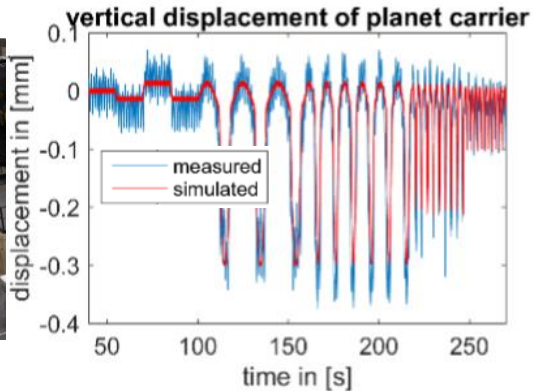
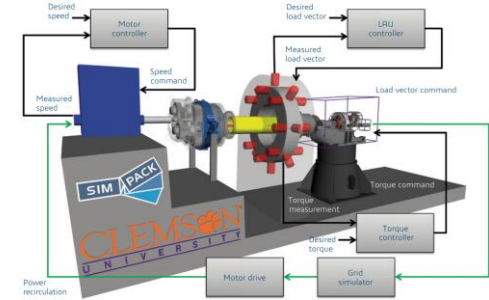
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# Wind Turbine Engineering | Hardware in the Loop

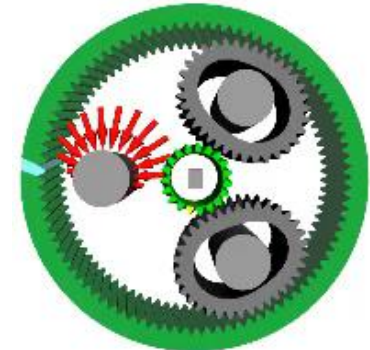


Coupling of virtual and real world for optimal test campaigns.

Real-time capable MBS, including flexible bodies and high fidelity components is required for realistic conditions.



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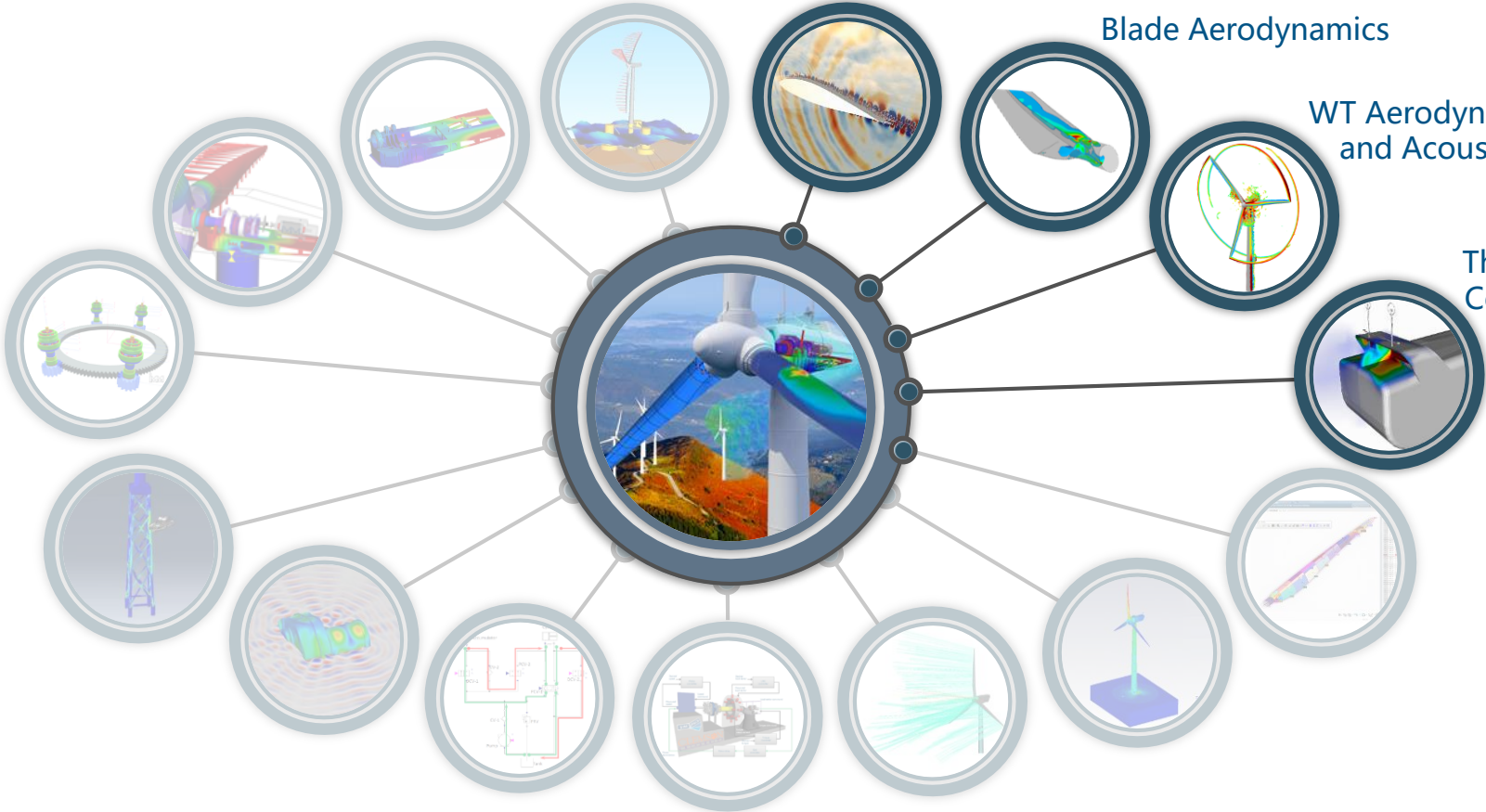
# Wind turbine Engineering | Workflows

Trailing Edge Noise

Blade Aerodynamics

WT Aerodynamics and Acoustics

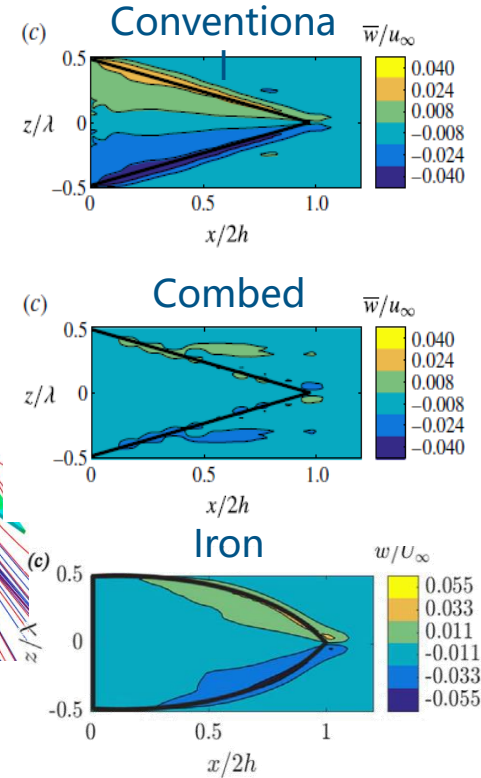
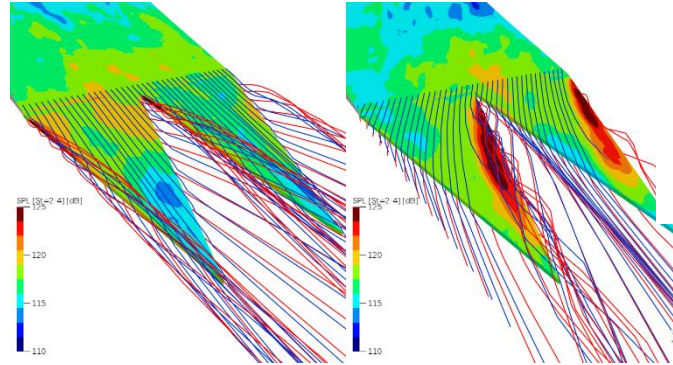
Thermal Cooling



# Wind Turbine Engineering | Trailing Edge Noise

Estimate noise levels from small wind turbine blade sections while designing and optimizing noise suppression add-ons

- Design of Experiments
- Simulate real-life conditions
- Fully automated on SIMULIA Cloud

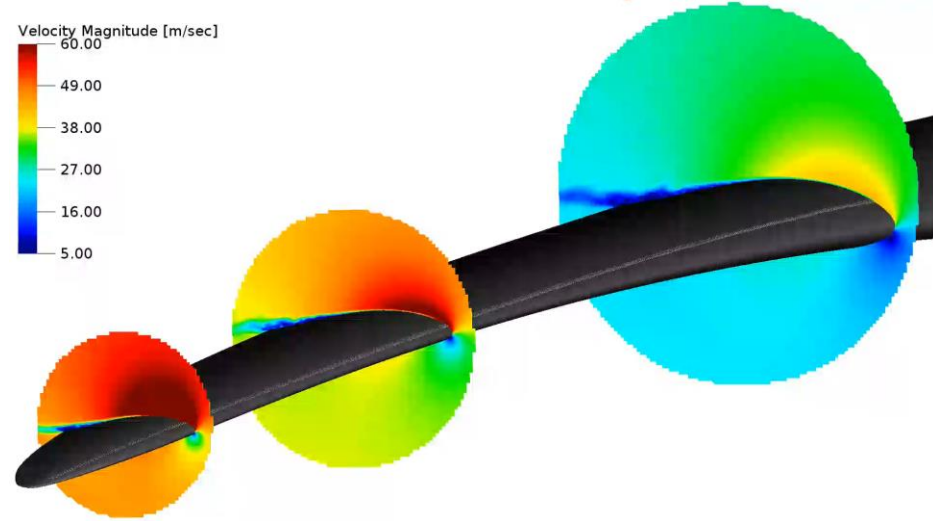
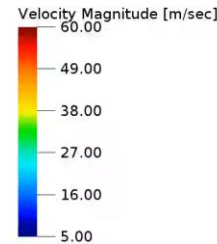
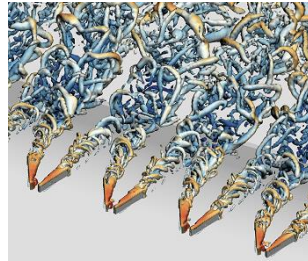
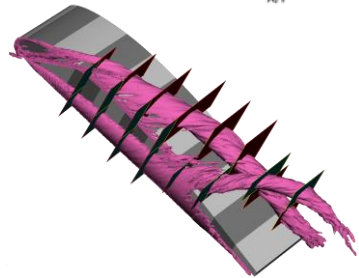
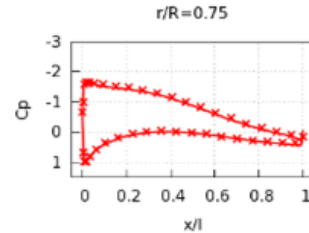
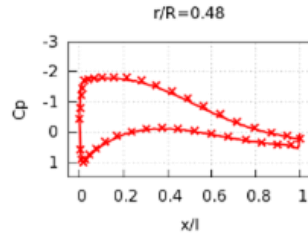
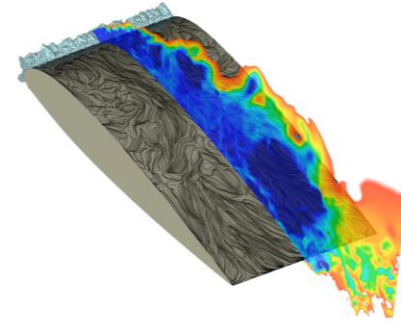


# Wind Turbine Engineering | Blade Aerodynamics



Estimate the aerodynamic and acoustic performance of a full wind turbine blade and tip including rotational and induction effects

- Broad flow regime with complex flow behaviour
- Complex geometry modelled without any simplification

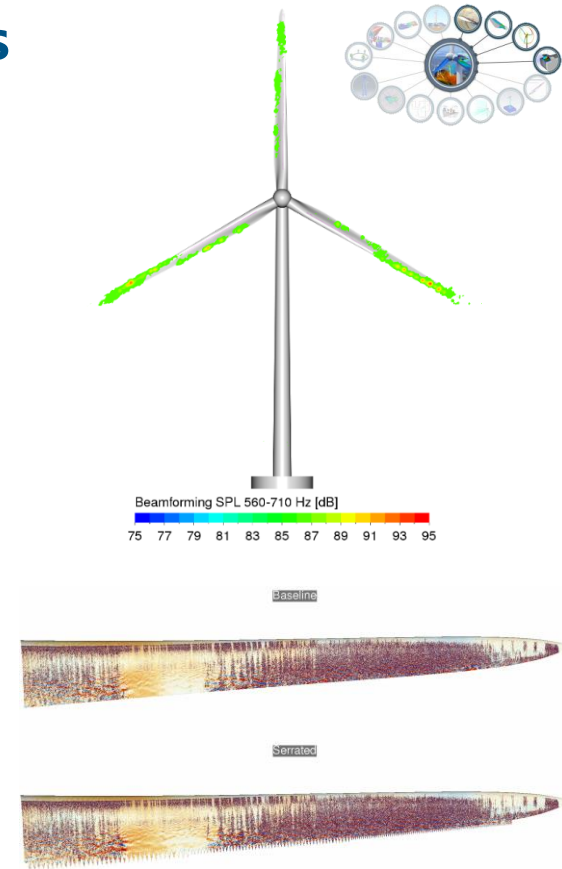
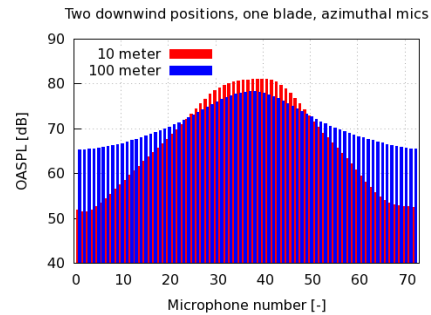
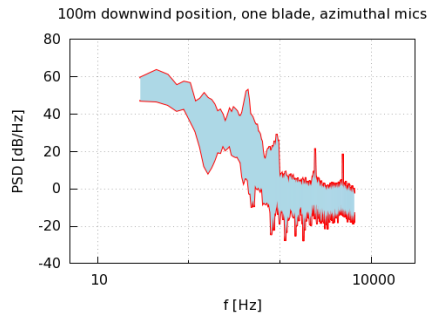
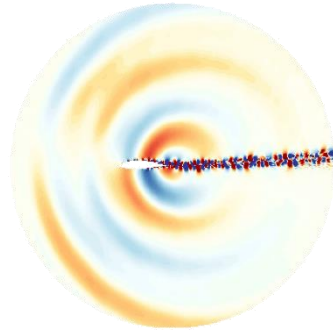




# Wind Turbine Engineering | Aero and Acoustics

Estimate the complete assessment on full wind turbine system level for aerodynamic and aeroacoustic performances

- Real life effects
- System level noise prediction

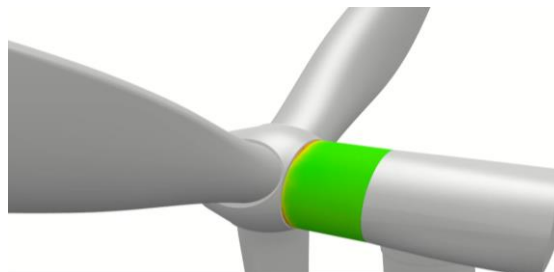
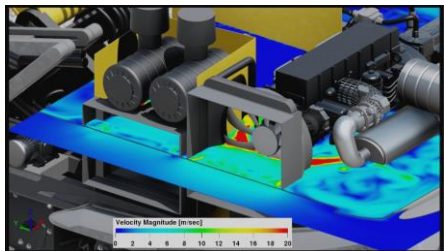
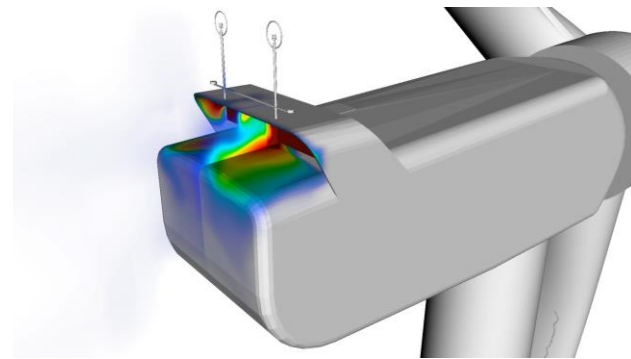
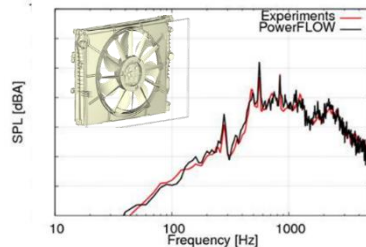
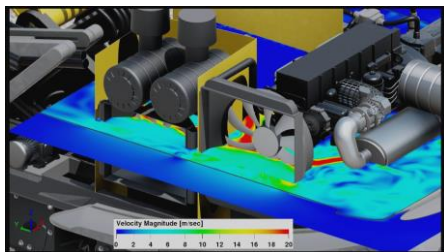


# Wind Turbine Engineering | Thermal Cooling

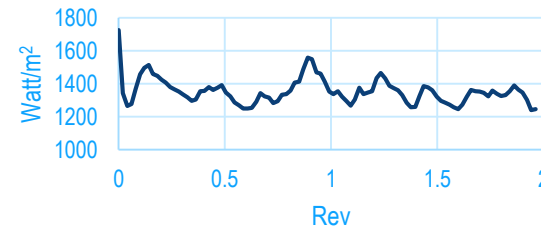


Estimate the aero, thermal and acoustic performance of all thermal components inside and outside a wind turbine

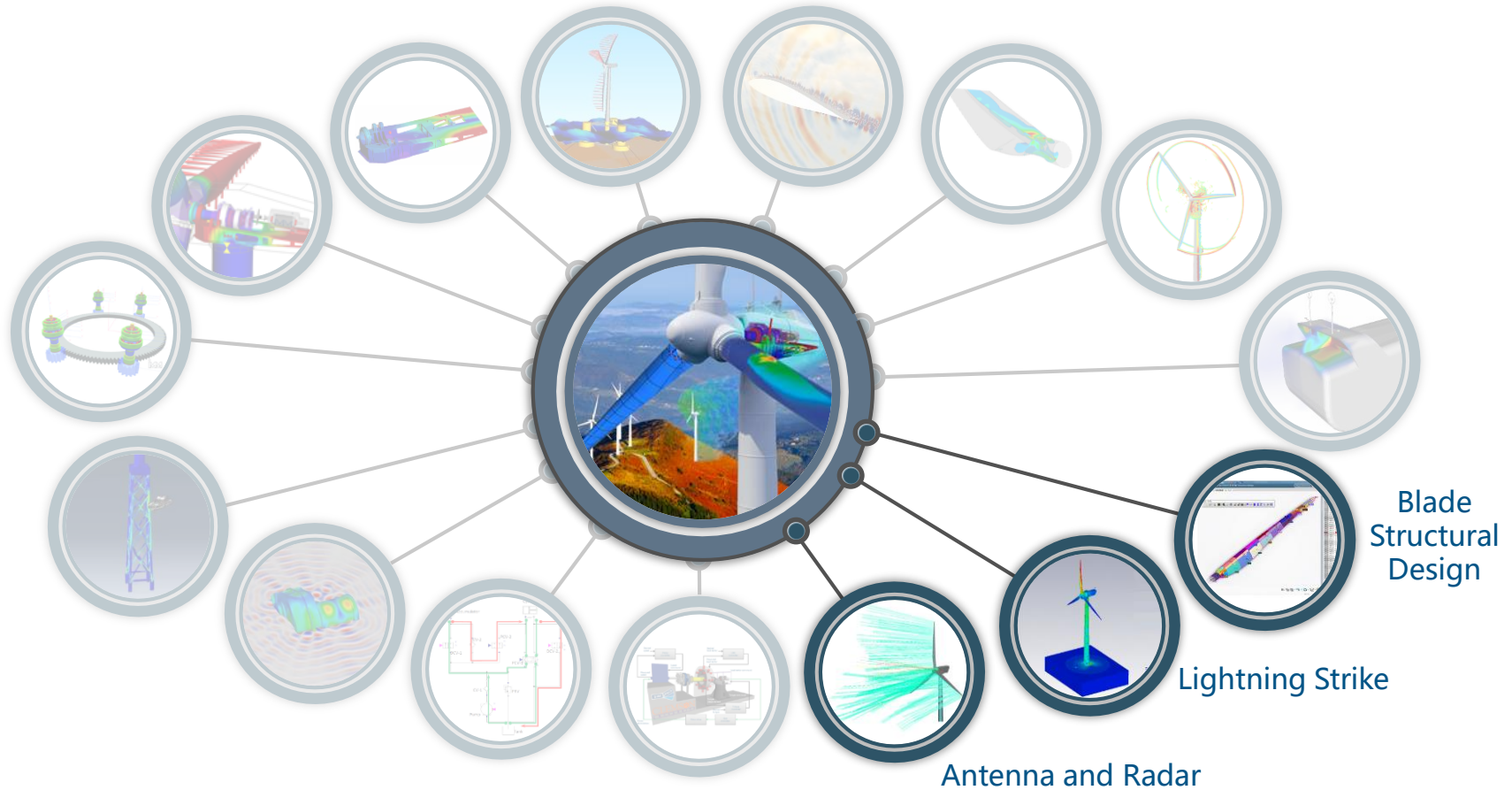
- Easy handling complex geometries
- Understanding of radiation, conduction and convection process by high-fidelity CFD/thermal coupling process



Generator Heat Flux



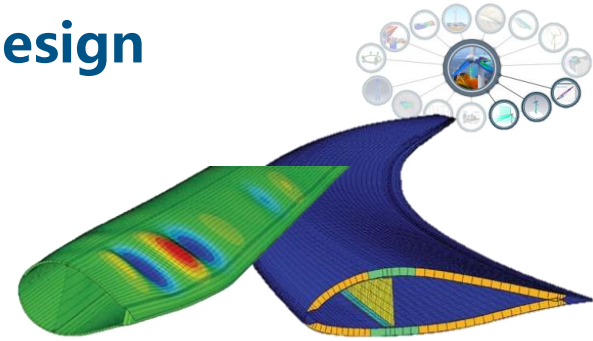
# Wind Turbine Engineering | **Workflows**



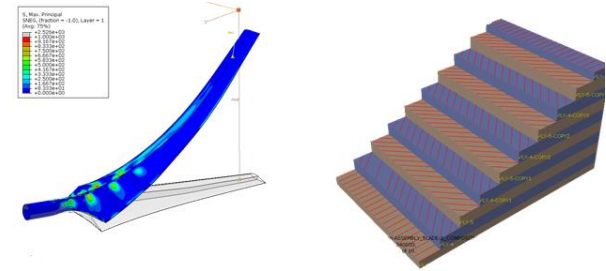
# Wind Turbine Engineering | Blade Structural Design

Streamline the complete process for blade design and enable new and innovative designs while minimizing time-to-market and risk.

- Load Calculations
- Composite Concept Design
  - Shear section properties analysis
  - Blade flexibility analysis (static and dynamic)
- Composite Detailed Design
  - Detailed plies design, incl. drop-off
  - Stress, buckling and fatigue
  - damage and failure analysis
- Optimization and preparation for manufacturing



Courtesy NSE Composites

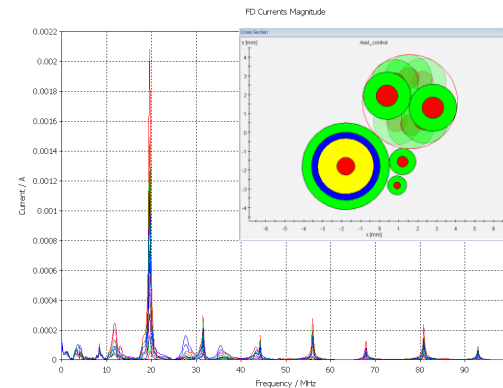
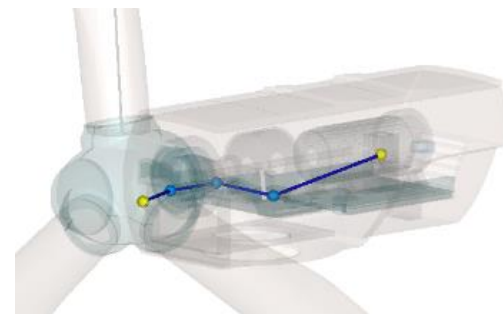
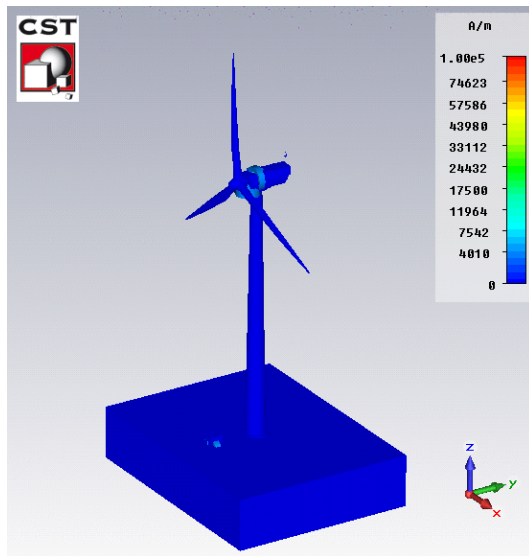
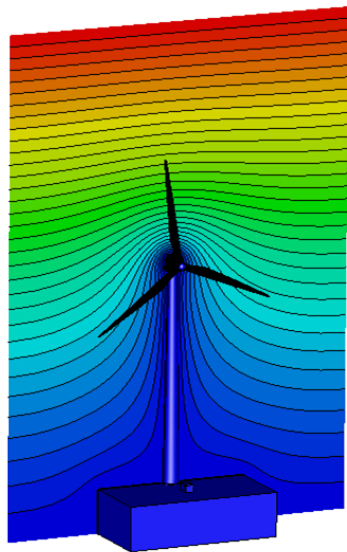


# Wind Turbine Engineering | Lightning Strike

Ensure optimal lightning protection and avoid risk.



- Attachment area prediction
- Currents on wind turbine and in cabling





# Wind Turbine Engineering | Antenna and Radar

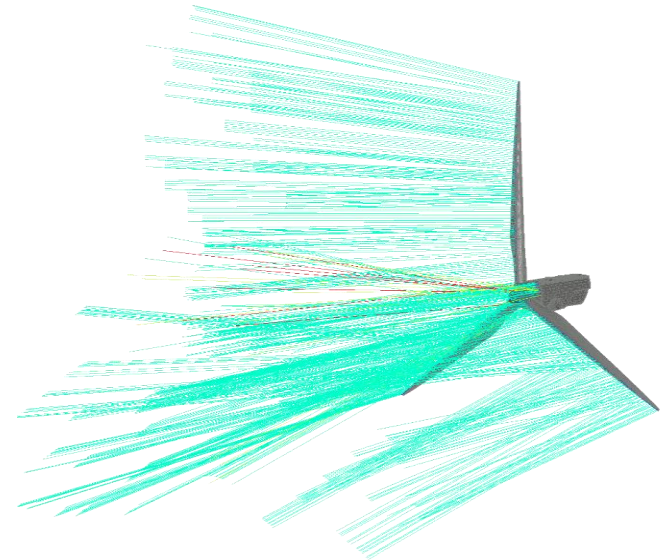
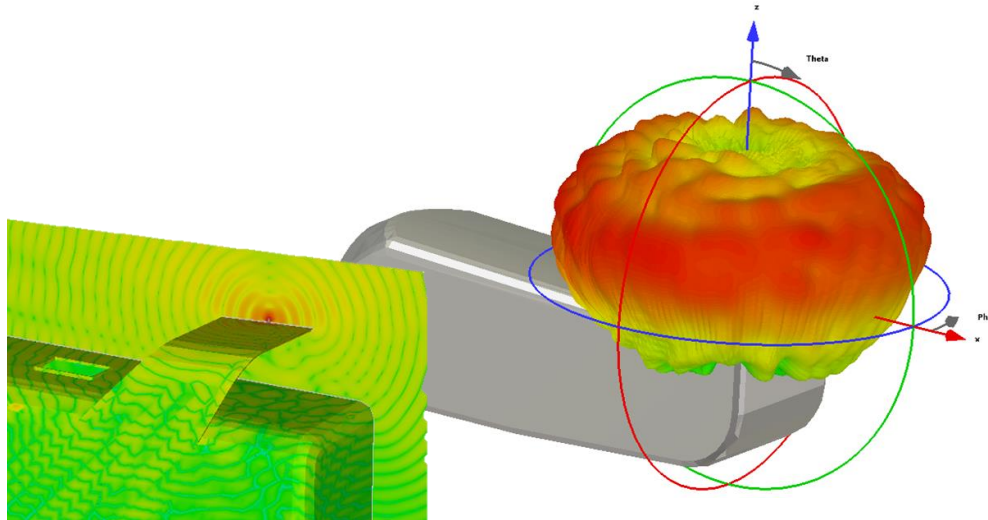


Optimize antenna placement

- Ensure good communication in all relevant directions

Ensure regulations for local air traffic control are met

- Reflections from moving rotors can interfere with radar systems



# Wind Turbine Engineering | Simpack Workflow

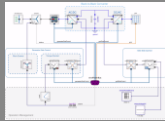
Load Calculations Model

Select Load Case

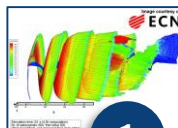
Select Component

Run Scenarios

Inputs

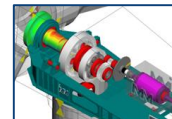
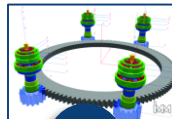
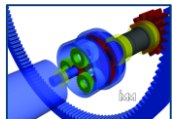


- Wind field
- Operation mode



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- High fidelity component to be investigated
- Integrate within model



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Time integration

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Managed Engineering Data

Wind Turbine Design

KPIs

Results

Workflows:  
Load Calculation  
Extreme Load Case  
Components

Requirements

Simulation Setup

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Perform Trade-Off Study

- Perform trade-off study
- Select best candidate for each reference configuration

Create Alternatives

- Automatically or manually create alternatives for multi-discipline design exploration

Validate and Analyze Results

- Validate and analyze results for all scenarios

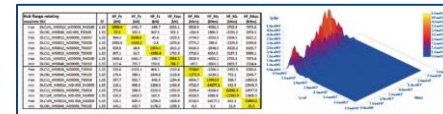
Outputs

KPI Status

Data value update proposal

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Scenario	W1	W2	W3	W4	W5	W6	W7	W8	W9	W10
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Scenario 2	1.5	1.8	2.1	2.4	2.7	3.0	3.3	3.6	3.9	4.2
Scenario 3	1.8	2.1	2.4	2.7	3.0	3.3	3.6	3.9	4.2	4.5
Scenario 4	2.1	2.4	2.7	3.0	3.3	3.6	3.9	4.2	4.5	4.8
Scenario 5	2.4	2.7	3.0	3.3	3.6	3.9	4.2	4.5	4.8	5.1
Scenario 6	2.7	3.0	3.3	3.6	3.9	4.2	4.5	4.8	5.1	5.4
Scenario 7	3.0	3.3	3.6	3.9	4.2	4.5	4.8	5.1	5.4	5.7
Scenario 8	3.3	3.6	3.9	4.2	4.5	4.8	5.1	5.4	5.7	6.0
Scenario 9	3.6	3.9	4.2	4.5	4.8	5.1	5.4	5.7	6.0	6.3
Scenario 10	3.9	4.2	4.5	4.8	5.1	5.4	5.7	6.0	6.3	6.6

# Wind Turbine Engineering | PowerFLOW Workflow

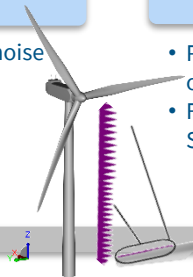
## Inputs

- 3D CAD geometry of wind turbine (blade / section)
- Operating conditions
- High performance targets
- Low noise targets (regulations)



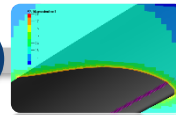
## Prepare geometry

- Assembly geometry (and noise suppression add-on)
- Prepare surface mesh



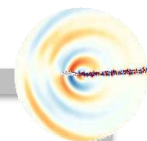
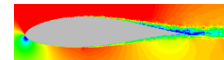
## Prepare Component Setup

- Prepare simulation based on operating conditions
- Fully automated process from STL to PowerCASE



## Run Component Simulation

- Follow automated processes and best-practice strategies
- Extract aerodynamic performance data/polars
- Far-field noise analysis



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## Managed Engineering Data



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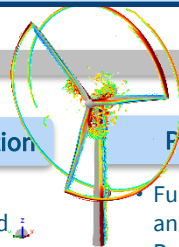
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## Outputs

- Higher performance wind turbines
- Quieter wind turbines
- Minimize Cost of Energy

## Documentation & Certification

- Use simulation result to compliment and support wind tunnel and field tests
- Optimize wind farms

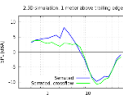
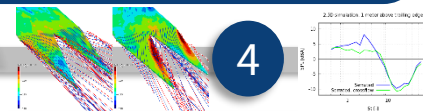


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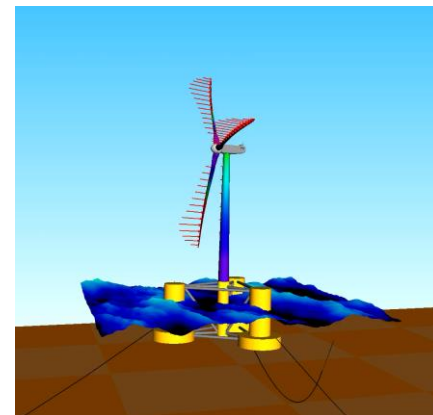
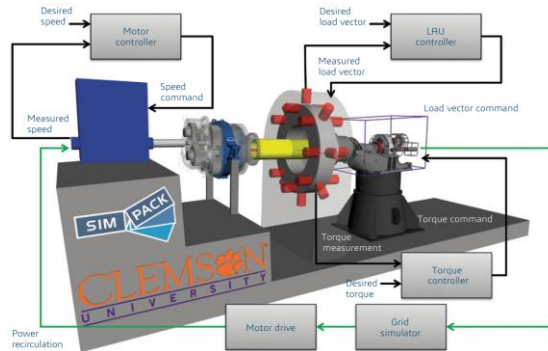
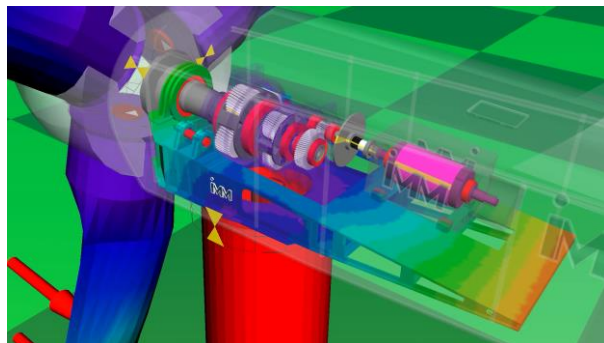
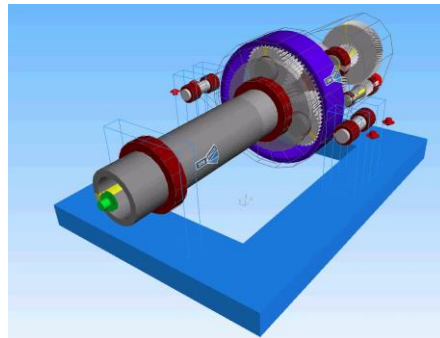
- Full wind turbine system analysis
- Real life operating conditions
- Tailored to desired outcome

## Verification & Geometry Modification

- Check KPIs, aerodynamic and noise targets
- Iterate noise-suppression concepts



# Wind turbine Engineering | Summary





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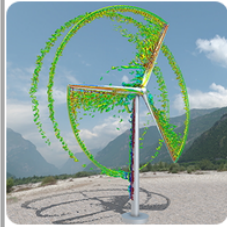
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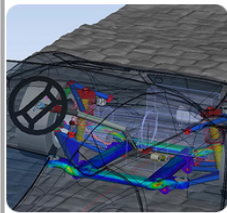
## Wind Turbine Dynamics



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## Wind Turbine Aerodynamics and Acoustics



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## Structural, Multibody and Durability Simulation

