



GROWING THE SUPPLY CHAIN FOR COST EFFECTIVE RELIABLE COMPOSITE BLADES, TOOLING AND SENSOR DESIGN FOR TIDAL TURBINES 13/10/2020 – SEA TECH WEEK, BREST FRANCE



UPDATING BV NI603: VALIDATION AND CERTIFICATION OF EMERGING COMPOSITE TECHNOLOGIES – EXPERIENCES FROM BLADE TESTING IN REALTIDE & MEVEF

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COMPOSITE MATERIALS SECTION



MARINE & OFFSHORE

MISSION

Bureau Veritas protects its clients' people and assets, passengers and the marine environment

EXPERTISE

Verifying the conformity of ships (under construction and in service) to classification rules and standards that mainly concern structural soundness & reliability of the machinery on-board

Service type

Design review
Periodical inspections
Subsea certification



Asset type

Passenger ships
Cargo ships
Floating & fixed units
Marine Renewable units

KEY ASSETS

- Almost 200 years of classification expertise protecting lives and assets in challenging marine operating environments
- Leading expertise in the complex marine LNG sector
- Strong expertise in smart ship technology and advanced services for cyber security and resilience
- Committed to minimizing impact on oceans and atmosphere





RealTide: Advanced monitoring, simulation and control of tidal devices in unsteady, highly turbulent realistic tide environments



REALTIDE



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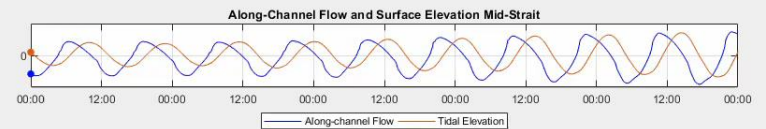
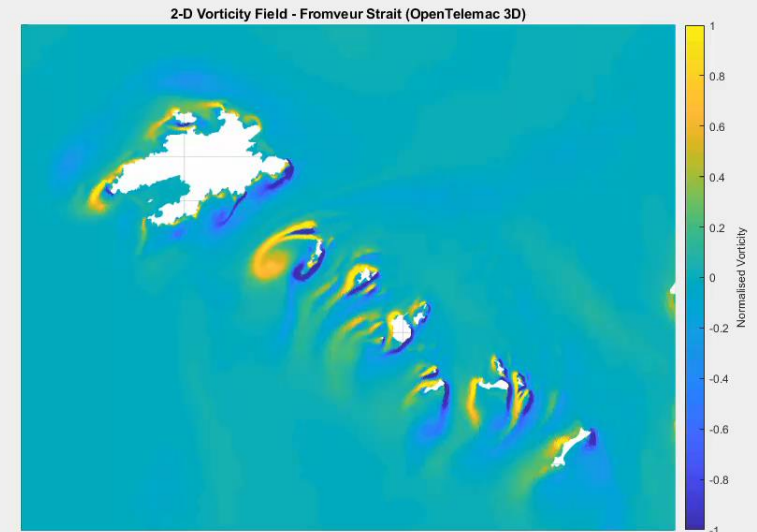
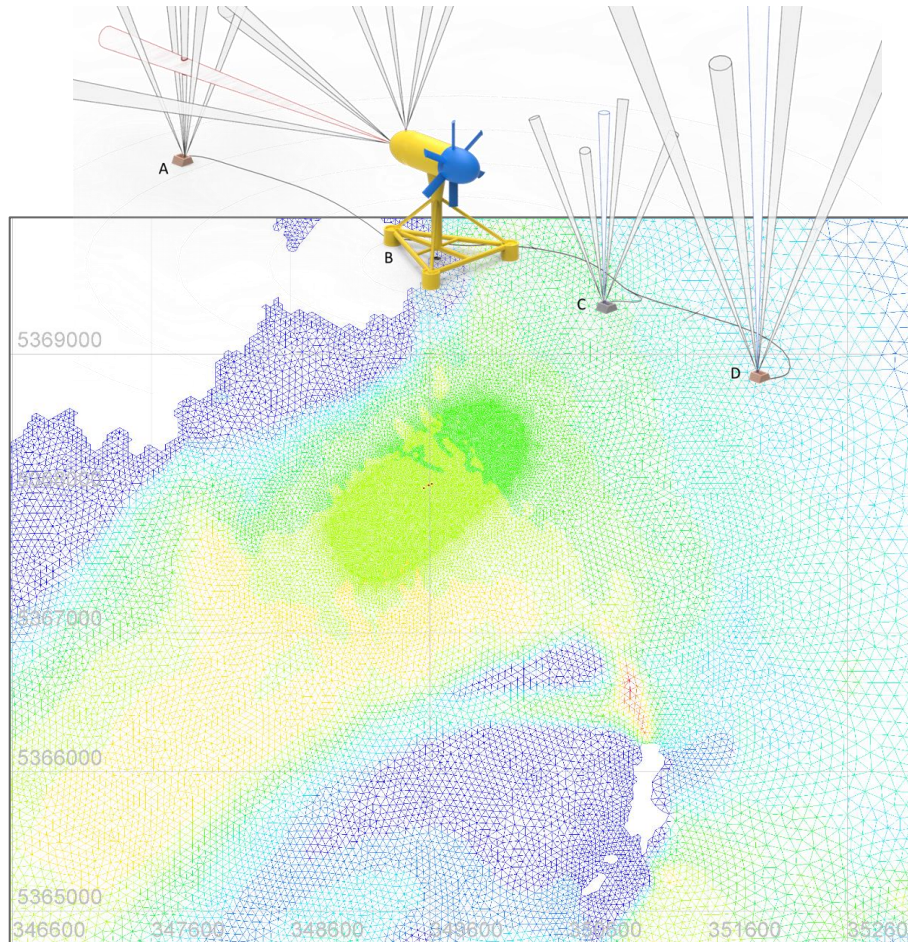
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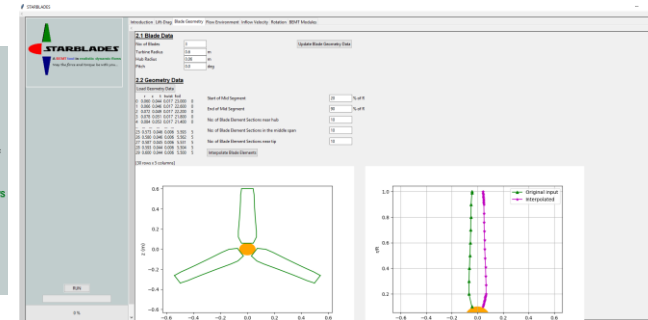
Objective: to identify main failure causes of tidal turbines at sea and to provide a **step change** in the design of key components, namely the **blades** and **power take-off systems**, adapting them more accurately to the **complex environmental tidal conditions**.

- Field measurements and models

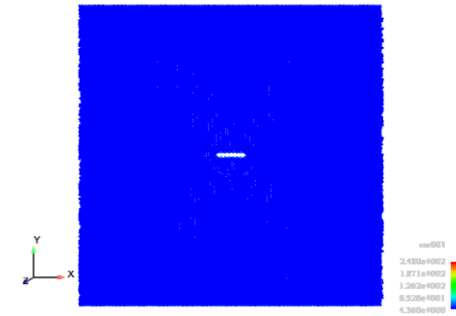
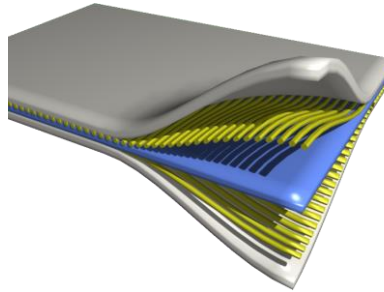


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- **STARBLADES** – an in-house developed tool for the computation of forces on a tidal turbine blade
- Based on **Blade Element Momentum Theory (BEMT)**
- Classical BEMT embedded with improvements to account for **realistic and dynamic flows**
- Enables **faster computations** as compared to CFD solvers



• Fatigue methodology



LOADS

- Dynamic flow environment
- Flow modification by rotating turbine

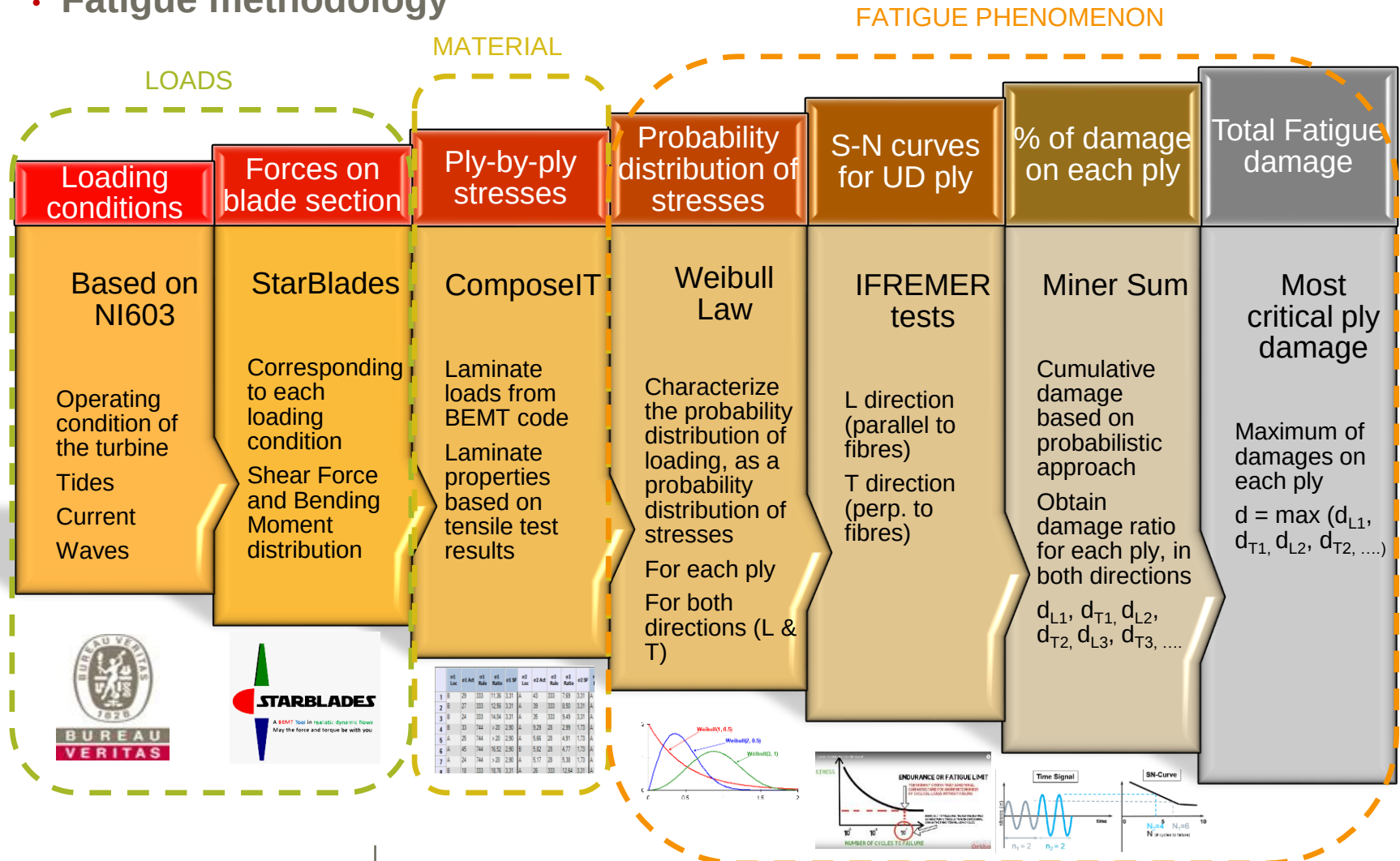
MATERIAL

- Multiple layers
- Anisotropic
- Non-homogeneous

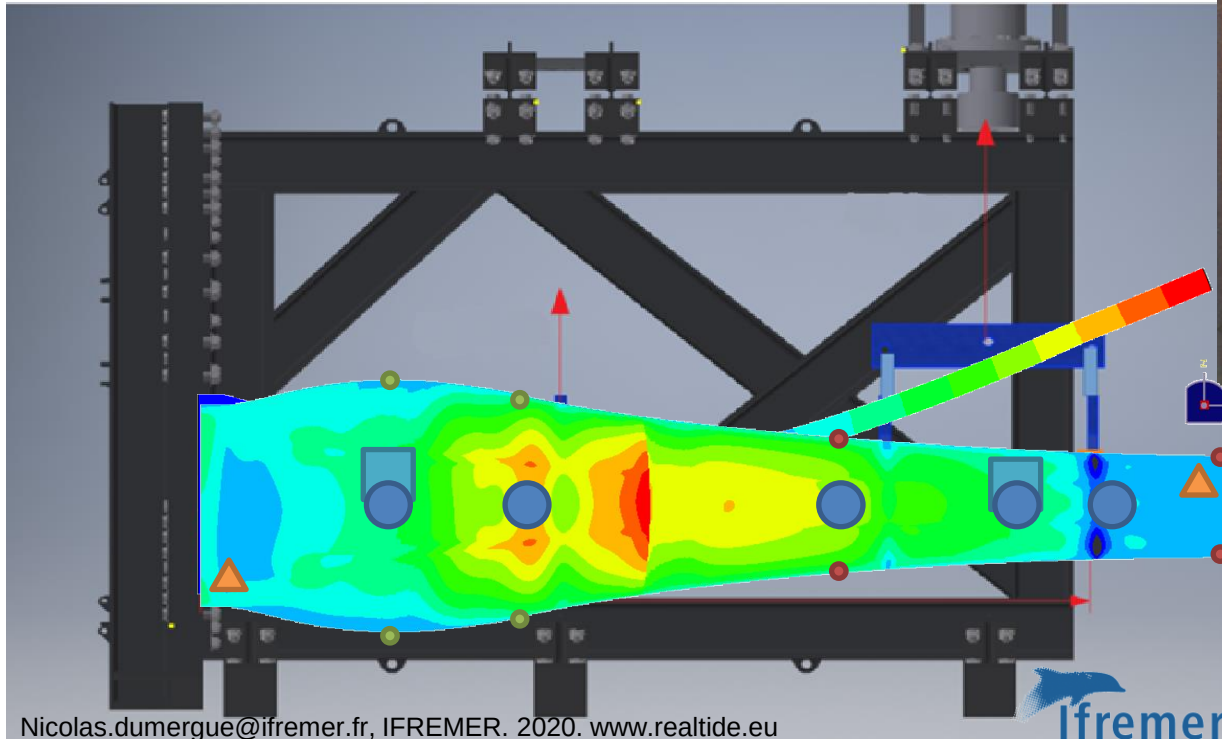
FATIGUE

- Complex mechanism
- Non-linear phenomenon

• Fatigue methodology



• Testing



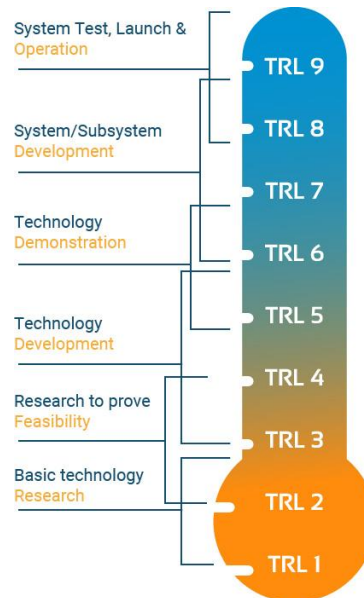
- Maîtrise des Effets du Vieillissement sur l'Endommagement en Fatigue des matériaux composites stratifiés pour les EMR immergés.
- The objective of the MEVEF project is to **treat the behaviour** of composite structures or components in **fatigue** and their **ageing** in a coupled manner, by proposing **predictive models** and elements for the **development of future regulatory notes**.

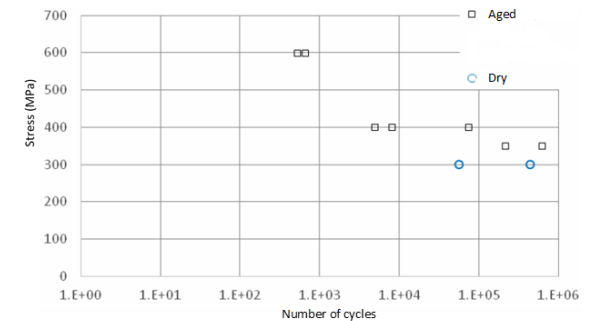
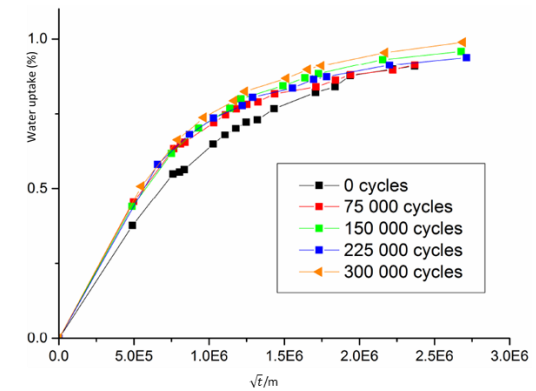
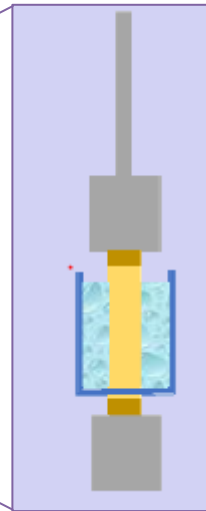
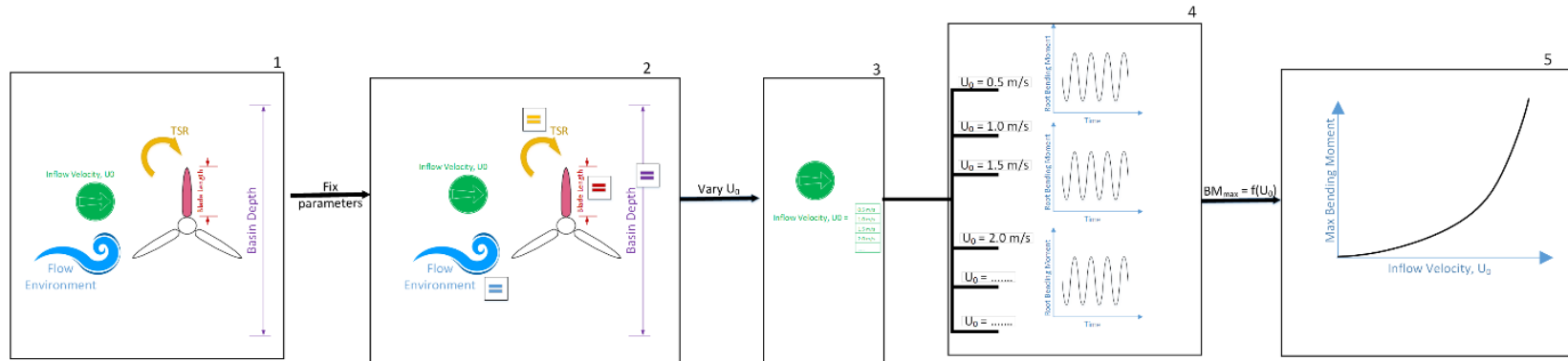


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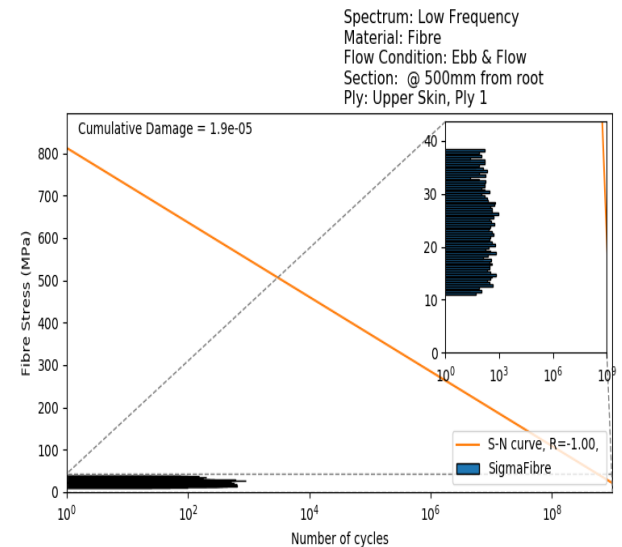
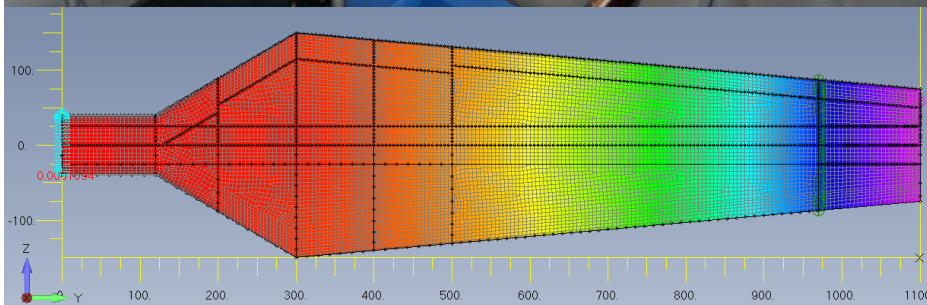


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- Model scale vs Full scale



- Miner Sum approach

$$D = \sum d_i = \sum \frac{n_i}{N_i}$$

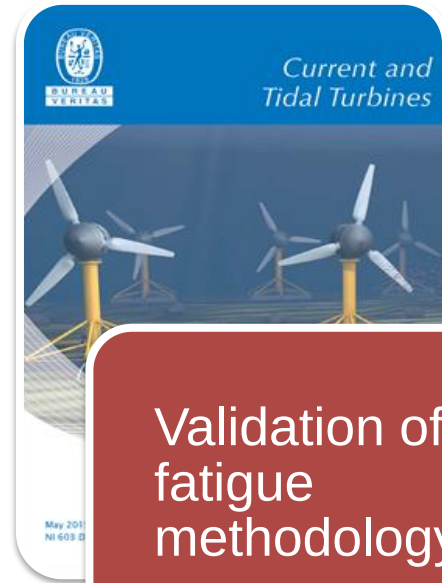
➔ Fatigue life assessment

RealTide

- Coupons tests
 - *Dry & Aged*
- Full scale test
 - *Static*
- Simulations

MEVEF

- Coupons tests
 - *Dry & aged*
- Model scale test
 - *Static and dynamic*
- Simulations



Validation of
fatigue
methodology

Improvement
of existing
rules