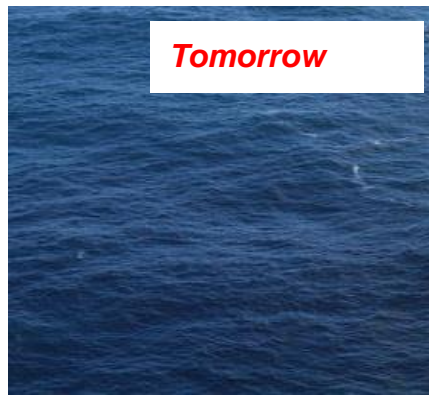


Subsea Technology (3.000 m)

All electric equipment on ocean floor



Today



Tomorrow



Enabler

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ABB and Statoil: enabling subsea factories of the future

Developing deep water subsea power and control technologies

Five year \$100 million joint industry project between Statoil and ABB

Power and control for large-scale subsea pumping and gas compression

Statoil expects savings of \$500 million on capital expenditure

Targeting greater recovery rates, reduced production costs and further development of deep water production, especially in remote fields such as the arctic

Solutions for transmission of electrical power up to 100 megawatts, over a distance up to 600 km and to depths of up to 3000 meters

Involving all ABB top engineers and scientists

Subsea power

Collaboration and benefits

Brown field

- Extend existing infrastructure
- Tie-in of remote resource
- Increased production capacity
- Limited topside impact
- Pro-long life-cycle

Green field

- Subsea factory
- Enabling subsea production
- Lower CAPEX & OPEX, increase recovery rate
- Flexibility
- Pioneer technology

Joint feasibility study

- Subsea Power for optimized field development
- Enabling subsea production
- Case/ FEED studies
- Explore options for power from shore
- Evaluate options – select optimal choice

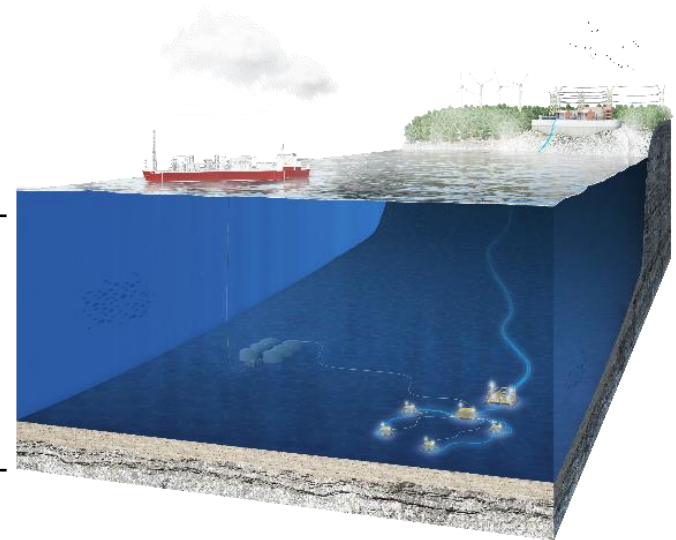


ABB collaborates with customers to find the best subsea power solution for different fields

Business cases

Overview

Subsea Gas
Compression

Multiple subsea gas compressor trains with subsea compressors and supporting pumps
Typical motor loads 2-18 MVA
Total power up to 100 MW

Subsea Oil
Boosting

Multiple pumps – boosting, ESP, ...
Typical motor loads 2-6 MVA
Multiple auxiliary loads 400/230/24 V AC&DC

Existing
assets

Extend life and recovery of existing assets
Adding subsea processing equipment with minimal changes to existing topsides
Optional Power from shore
Tying in new/smaller assets to existing infrastructure

Modular subsea power system improves subsea production

Reliable subsea power

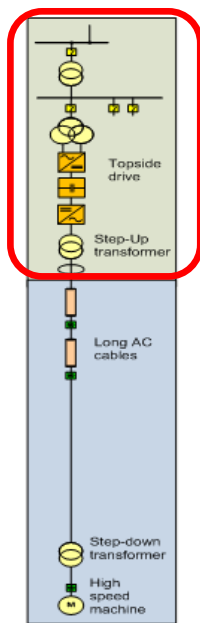
Roadmap

Today



Topside AC

- + Subsea O&G processing
- Platforms/floaters needed
- Many cables needed
- High OPEX, CAPEX
- People safety procedures
- Environmental impact
- Limited step-out distance

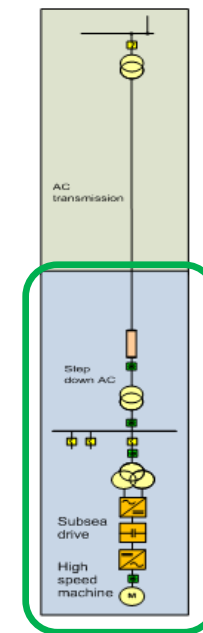


Subsea Joint Industrial Project



Subsea AC

- + Subsea O&G processing
- + No platforms/floaters
- + One cable over many
- + Longer step out distance



ABB's leading subsea power & automation solutions enabling future subsea processing

Subsea power

The key challenges that you are facing

Cost Efficiency

Reduce CAPEX and OPEX
Improve recovery rates
Extend the life of aging assets

Flexibility & Reliability

Subsea power solution can meet different type of offshore oil & gas field development and needs.

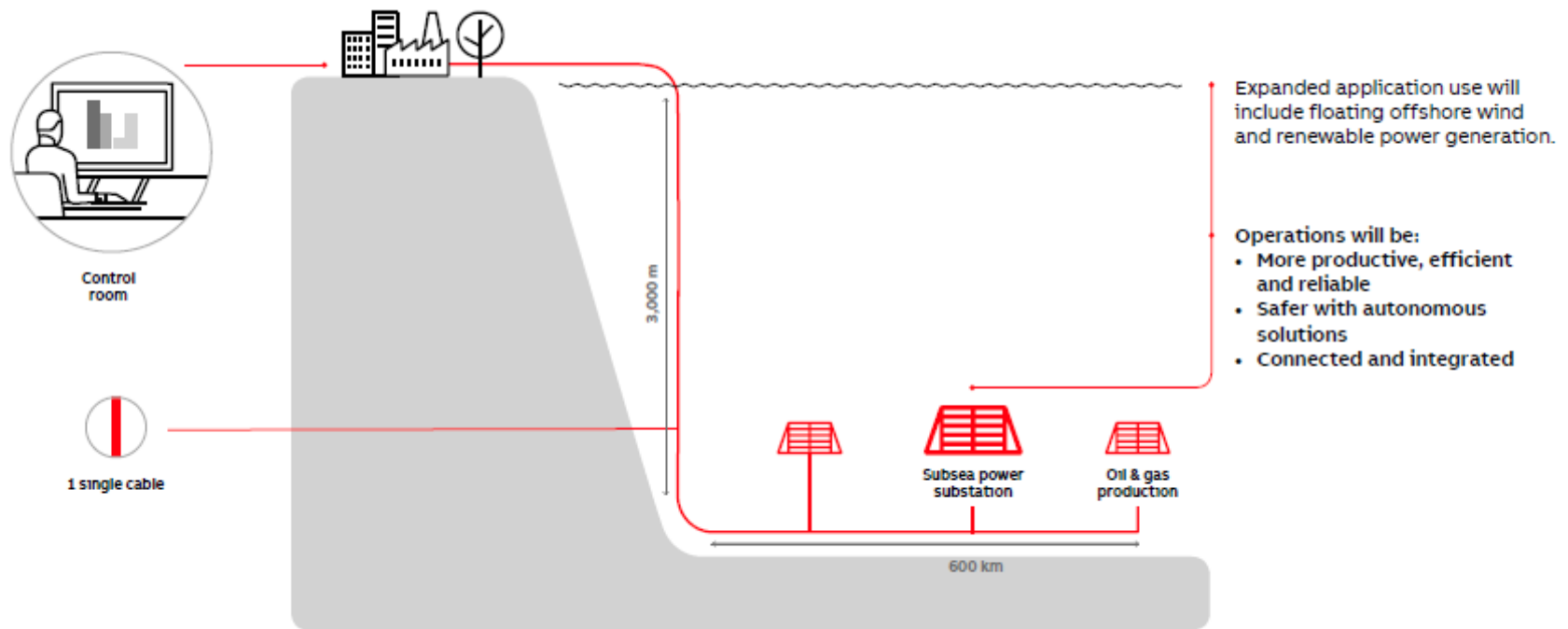
Sustainability & Risk

Sustainable subsea solution for minimize environmental impact and improve safety.

Cost efficiency and Power productivity in the new subsea frontier

ABB's pioneering subsea power distribution and conversion technology

Enabling a new era in offshore oil and gas

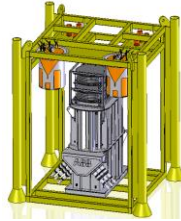


Subsea technology program

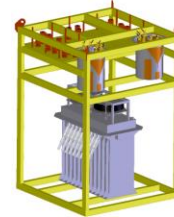
Supported by a comprehensive portfolio

Subsea Modules

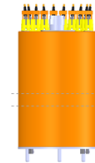
Power conversion module



Power distribution module



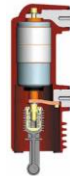
Control module



Products



Power Cell



Circuit breaker



Controller



Subsea Transformer



Power cable

Components



Power Semiconductors



Circuit Boards

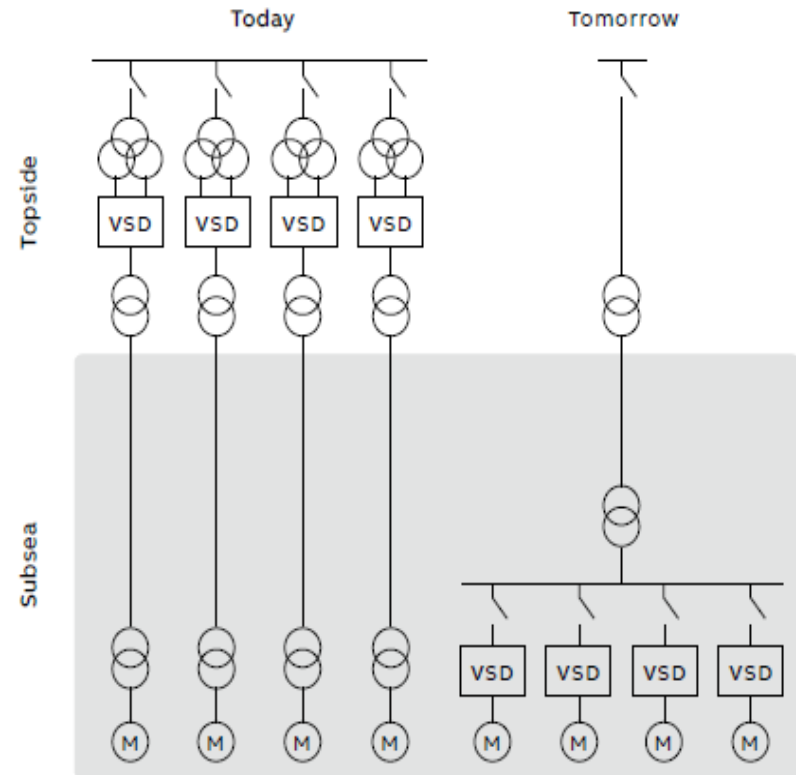


Power Capacitors

ABB's pioneering subsea power distribution and conversion technology

Enabling a new era in offshore oil and gas

- Modular in design.
- The VSDs can operate motors, from 0.5 to 18 MVA.
- Voltages from 2.0 kV to 7.2 kV.
- Capability to drive conventional speed pumps and wet gas compressors rated at 50 – 120Hz, high-speed gas compressors up to 18,000 rpm directly
- Step-out distances from a few km to over 600 km.



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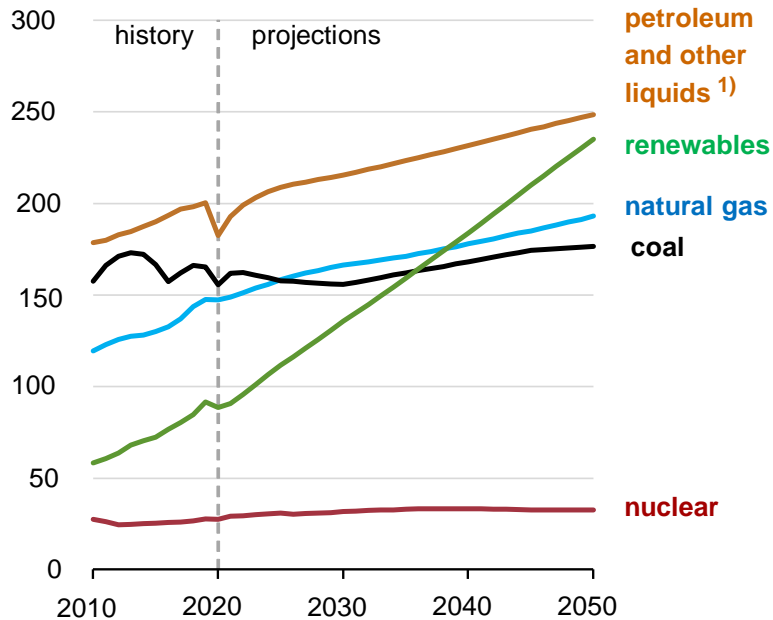
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Primary energy consumption by energy source

Primary energy consumption by energy source, world

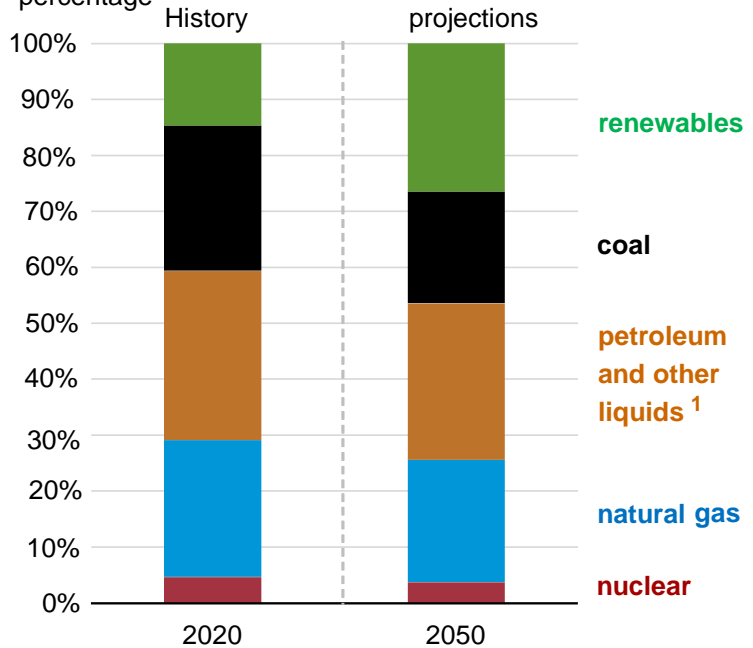
quadrillion British thermal units



¹⁾ includes biofuels

Share of primary energy consumption by source, world

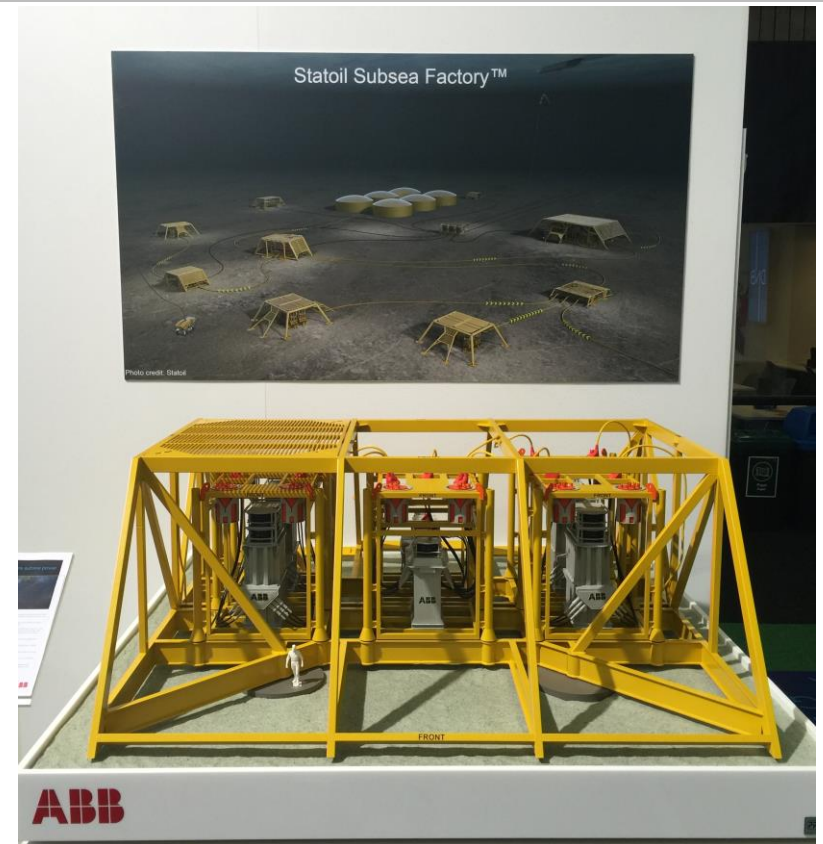
percentage



Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, International Energy Outlook 2021 (IEO2021) Reference case

Subsea Power – system features

Modular pressure compensated design
Input frequency 16/50/60 Hz
Transmission voltage 36 – 145 kV (typical)
Transmission distance up to 600 km (16 Hz)
Water depth up to 3000 m
Design life 30 years
High availability with built-in redundancy
Retrievable modules
System concepts verified in shallow water system test



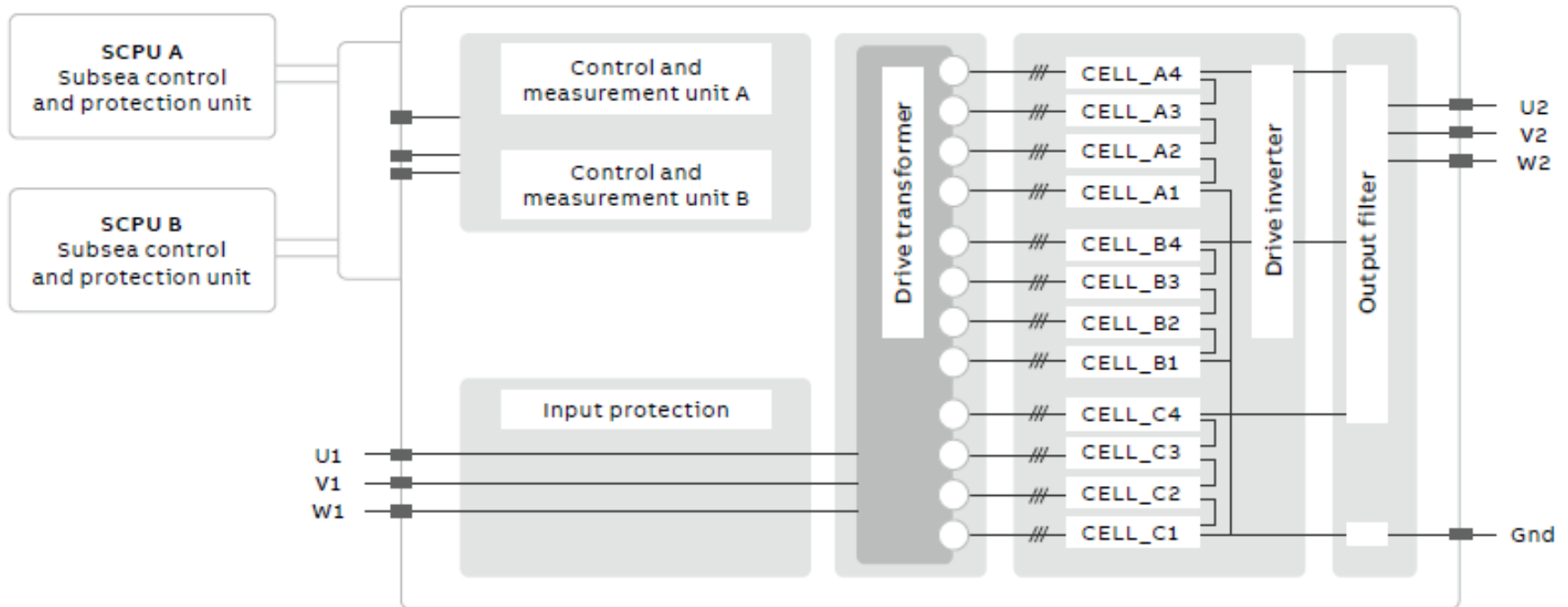
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Presentation VBIK 2022-02-16 – Technical challenges

- Pressure 300 bar at 3000 m depth ($1 \text{ bar} = 100.000 \text{ Pa} = 100.000 \text{ N/m}^2$)
 - Tank / pressure vessel design ?
 - High pressure knowledge and impact on design stresses and lifetime not solid.
 - Contacts' / material / components' performance not known and not tested at 345 bar
 - Compatibility test results not available.
 - Temperature distribution inside tank not verified.
- Relevant test procedures
 - *Testing, testing, testing,*

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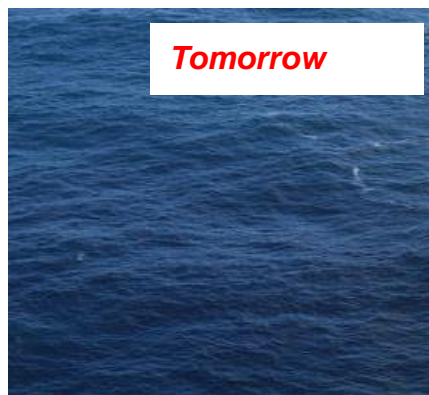
Main building blocks, configuration, and single line schematic of a prototype subsea power converter.



Source: ABB Review, 1, 2020, p. 55.

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Subsea DC Link Capacitors, an example

Subsea Capacitors Development Project

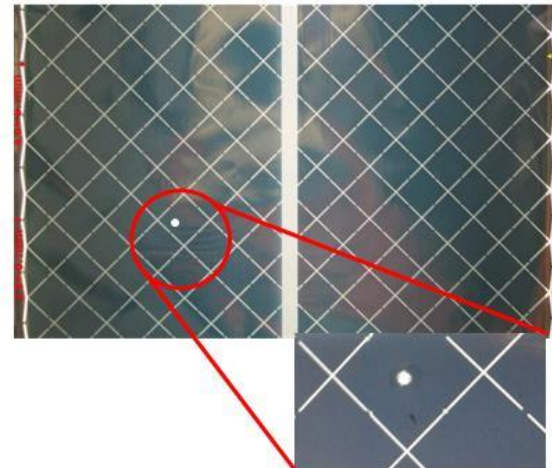
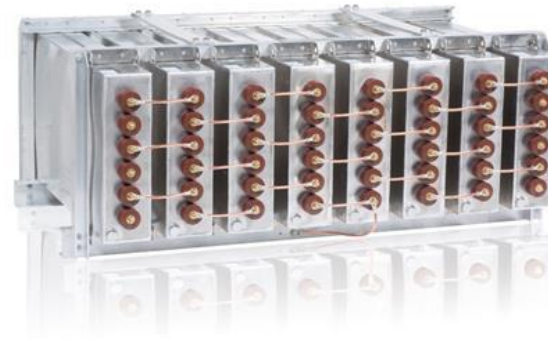
Background

Activities started in a Technology Development Project with active participation of SECAP

First approach was to use a DryDCap solution

Testing at high pressure revealed technology barriers that would require extensive basic development work with unwanted risk and time constraints

Wet capacitor technology was concluded the technology to go for



Subsea Capacitors Development Project

Base case design DC link capacitor Durus-01

Well proven ABB basic wet capacitor technology

- Nominal voltage $U_{NDC}=1.98$ kV
- Capacitance= 1.25 mF, tolerance 0...+10% (at delivery)
- 2 standard soldered porcelain bushings and 2 terminal studs
- Fluid-impregnated polypropylene film dielectrics
- Stainless steel container
- >40 capacitor elements in parallel, each of them individually fused

Electrical and mechanical specific deep sea imposed design aspects and risks are solved (verified with tests and simulations)

4 Capacitor units per cell



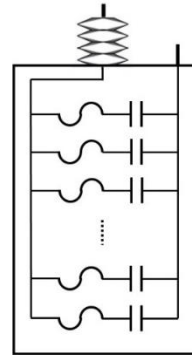
Capacitor Test Objects and Measurement Method

Pressure test infrastructure



Capacitor unit pressure test

Test object

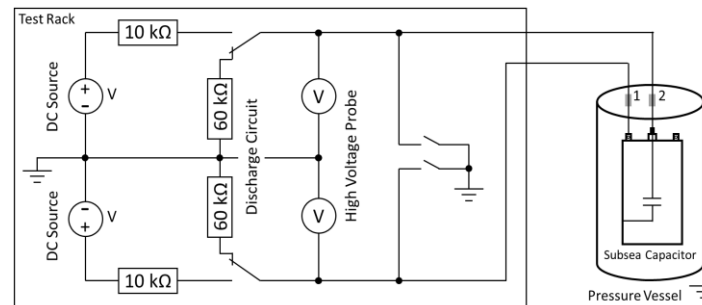


Standard fuse design for 1 bar applications

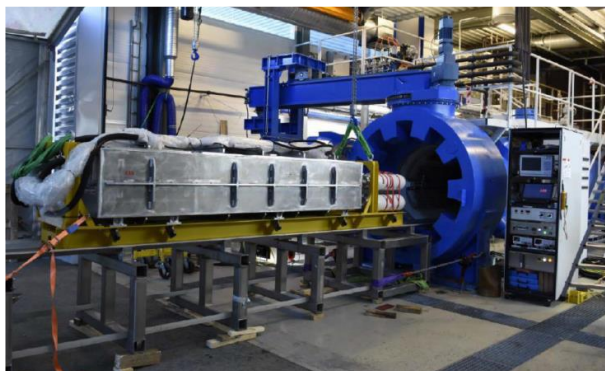


Pressure tolerant oil filled power capacitor. Internally fused capacitor elements

Testing circuit



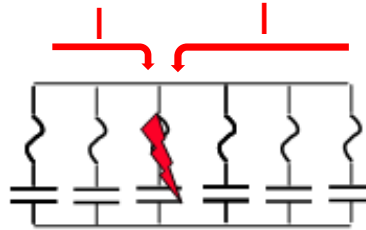
- Capacitor charging and discharging
- Real time capacitor voltage monitoring
- Real time capacitor leakage current monitoring



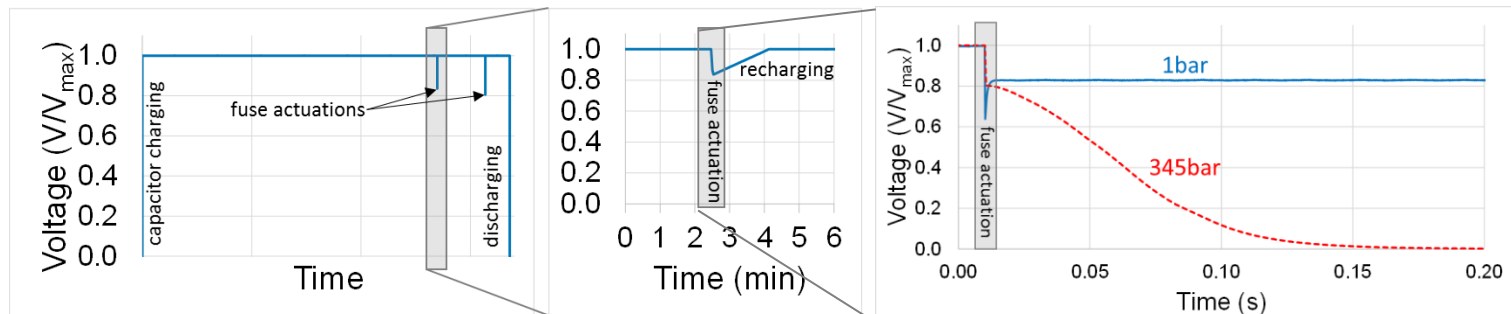
Medium voltage drive cell pressure test

Fuse Testing at 1bar and 345bar: Standard Fuse Design

Process of fuse operation



Monitoring of fuse operation and element failures



1 bar

- Reliable fuse operation (blue curve)
- Current limiting fuse behavior
- Full voltage withstand with high open fuse resistance

345 bar

- Standard fuse design current limiting
- But low open fuse resistance of $\sim 100 \Omega$
- Voltage withstand no longer guaranteed after fuse actuation

Fuse Testing at 1bar and 345bar: Fuse Modification

Standard fuse design

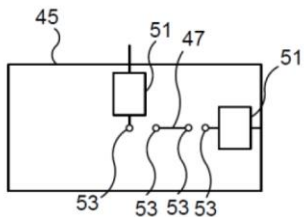


- Open circuit after fuse operation
- No residual soot formation

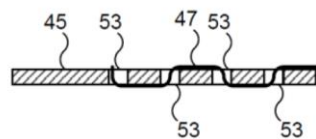


- Fuse wire completely evaporated
- Black conductive soot track formation with a resistance of few 100 Ohms

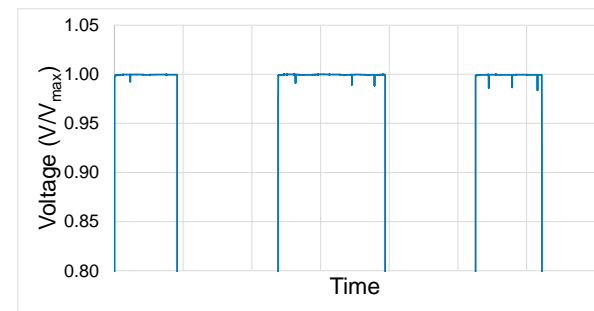
Fuse design for high pressure applications



EP 3,179,495 (B1)



- Extensively tested at 1bar and 345bar
- Excellent current limiting function
- Extremely high open fuse resistance of $>10M\Omega$
- Long term stability verified over several 100 hours after initial fuse actuation by continuous leakage current measurements.



Reliable fuse actuations at 345bar

Subsea Capacitors PD Gate 4

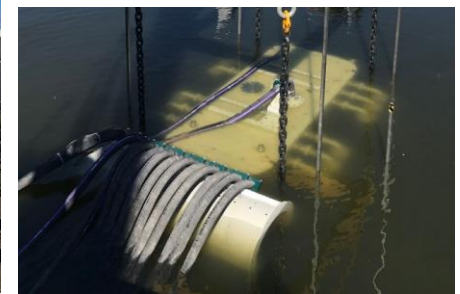
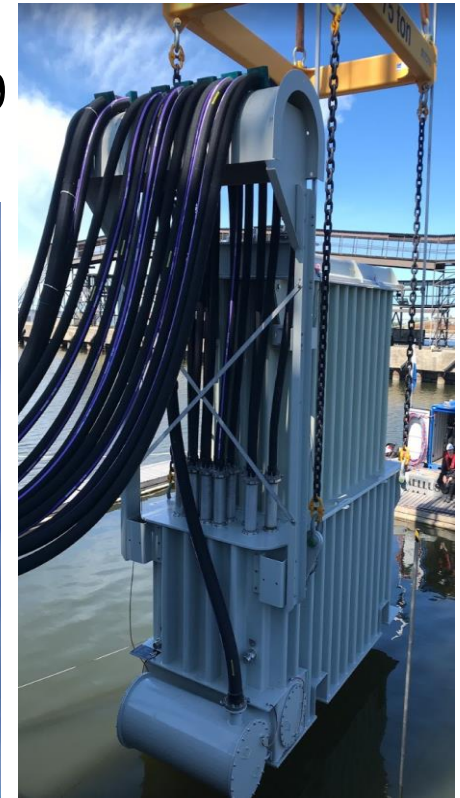
PD Project Status – Executive Summary

- We have successfully manufactured Subsea capacitor units at ABB Xi'an Power Capacitor manufacturing plant, China, using material from the approved/designated suppliers.
- We have successfully passed all the Qualification tests, including re-done relevant tests on Xi'an, China made model and full-size units.
- The Subsea Shallow Water Test I and II, a full-scale operating pilot test in the harbor in Vaasa, Finland, is completed with very good results.
- QA system specifics for Subsea completed
- Product Development Gate 5, DC Link capacitors, has been passed and the product is commercially available



Subsea Variable Speed Drive

Both old and new DURUS submerged on June 30th, 2019



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“Moving the entire oil and gas production facility to the seabed is no longer a dream. Remotely operated, increasingly autonomous, subsea facilities powered by lower carbon energy are more likely to become a reality as we transition towards a new energy future,” *(Dr. Peter Terwiesch, ABB)*.

The deep subsea technology with all electric equipment on ocean floor is enabling new innovative products and opportunities, e.g. subsea maintenance robots, subsea drones, seabed mining and much, much more *(see oil and gas company websites and videos)*.

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