



# Tidal Power In the Irish Sea



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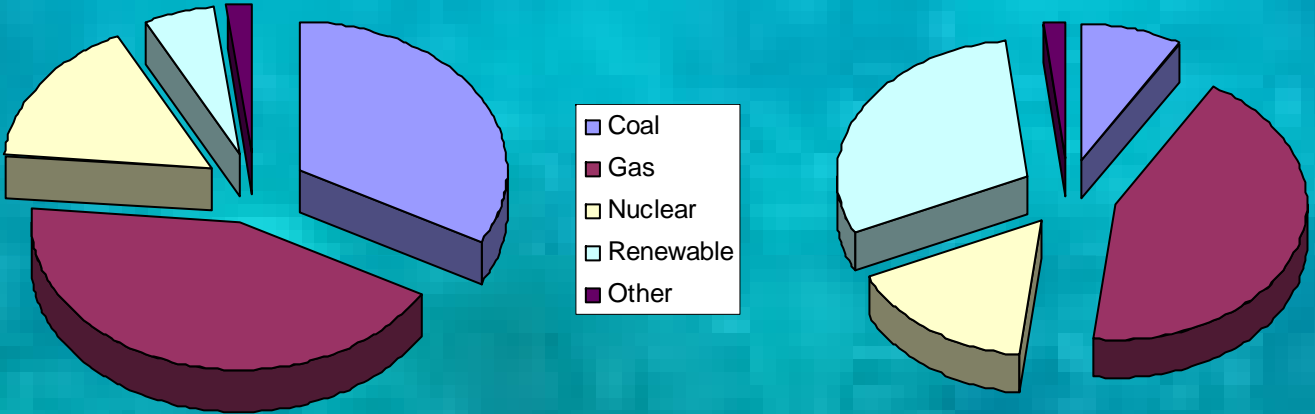
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# Renewable Future

## UK Electricity Generation Energy Mix



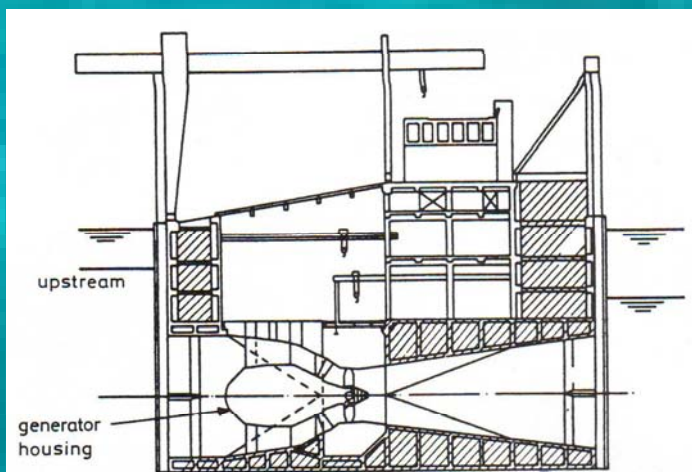
2007  
5.5%  
20.9 TWh  
379 TWh

Renewable  
Total

2020  
30%  
113.7 TWh  
379 TWh

# Tidal Energy

Range (Barrage) (~50 TWh/y = 13%)



Stream (~20 TWh/y = 5%)



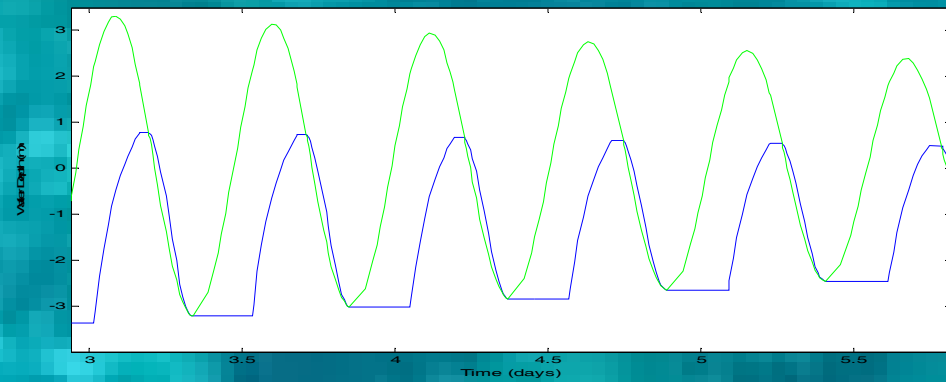
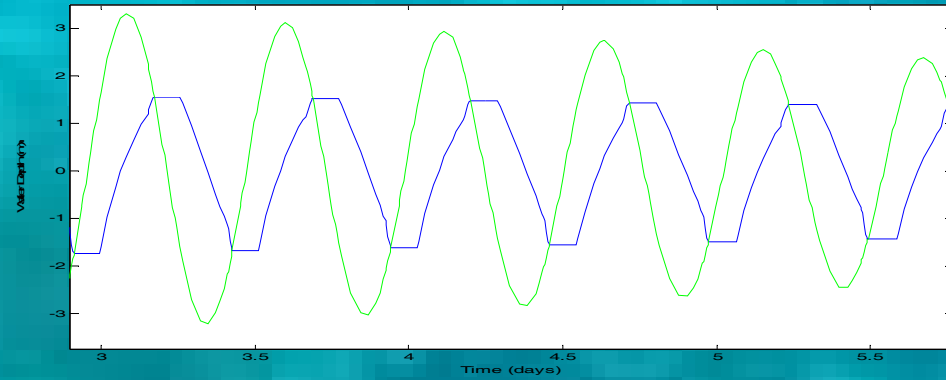
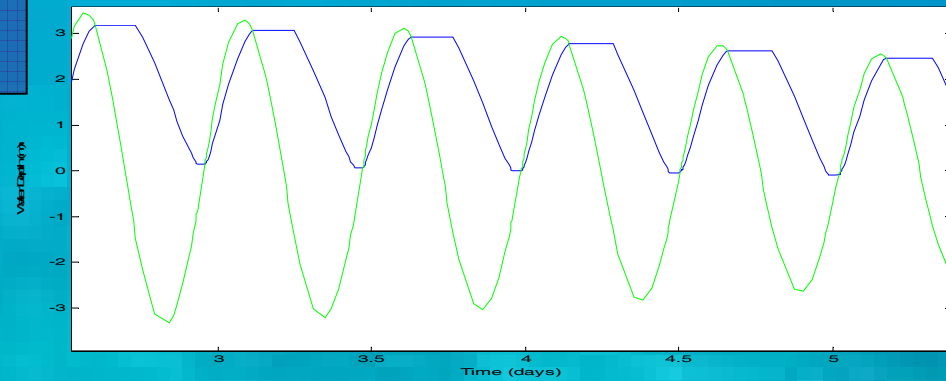
# Operating Modes

**Ebb**  
1.35 TWh

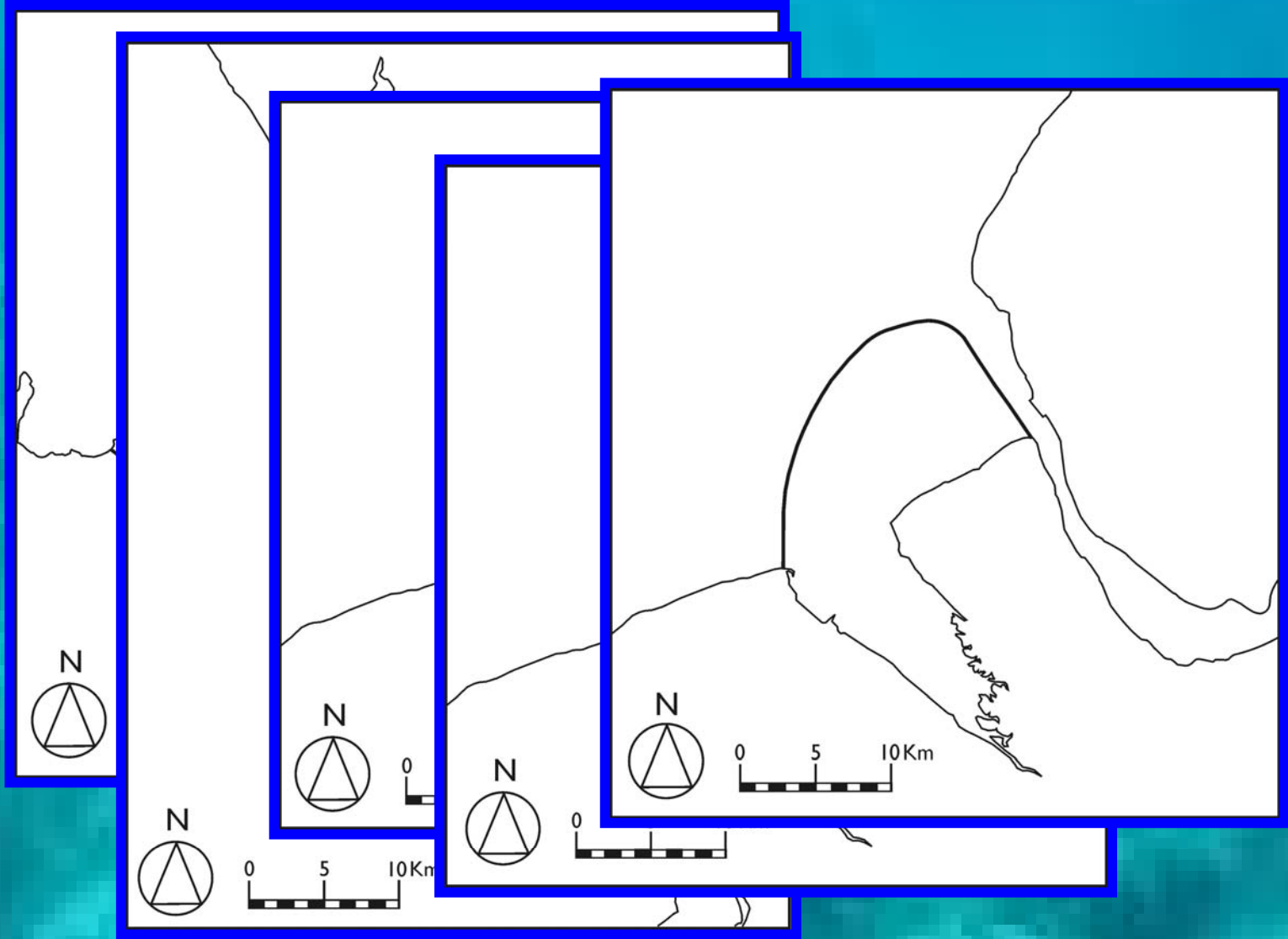
**Dual**  
1.30 TWh

**Flood**  
0.79TWh

## Dee Estuary (40x21MW 8m turbines, 40x8mx12m sluices)

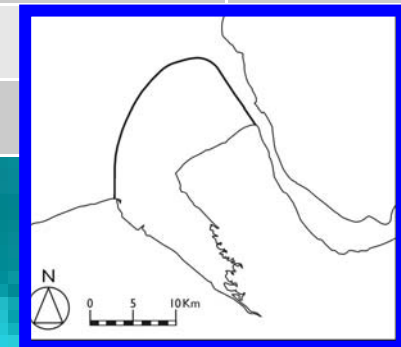


# Barrage Locations

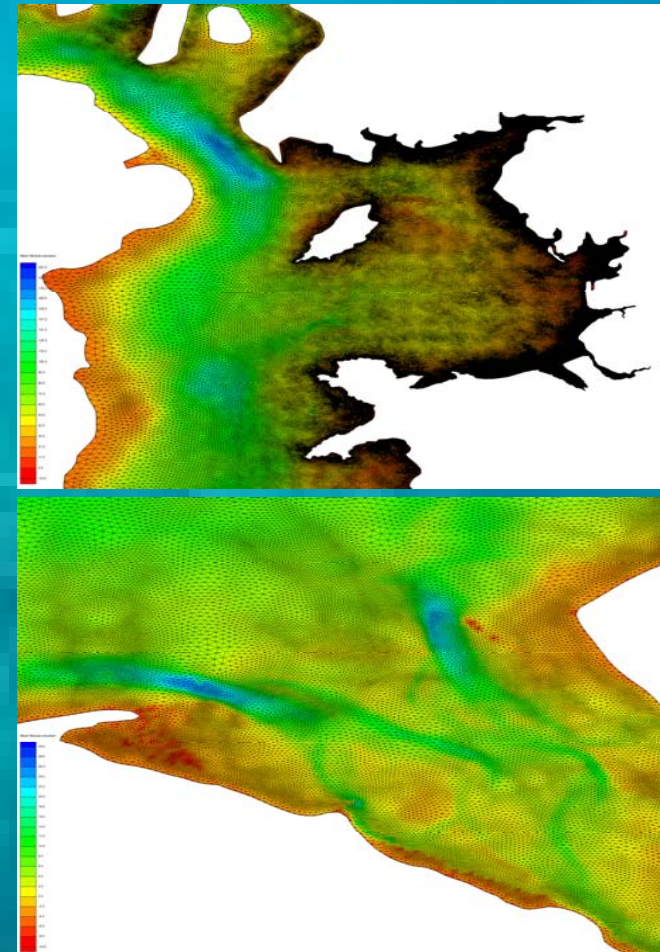
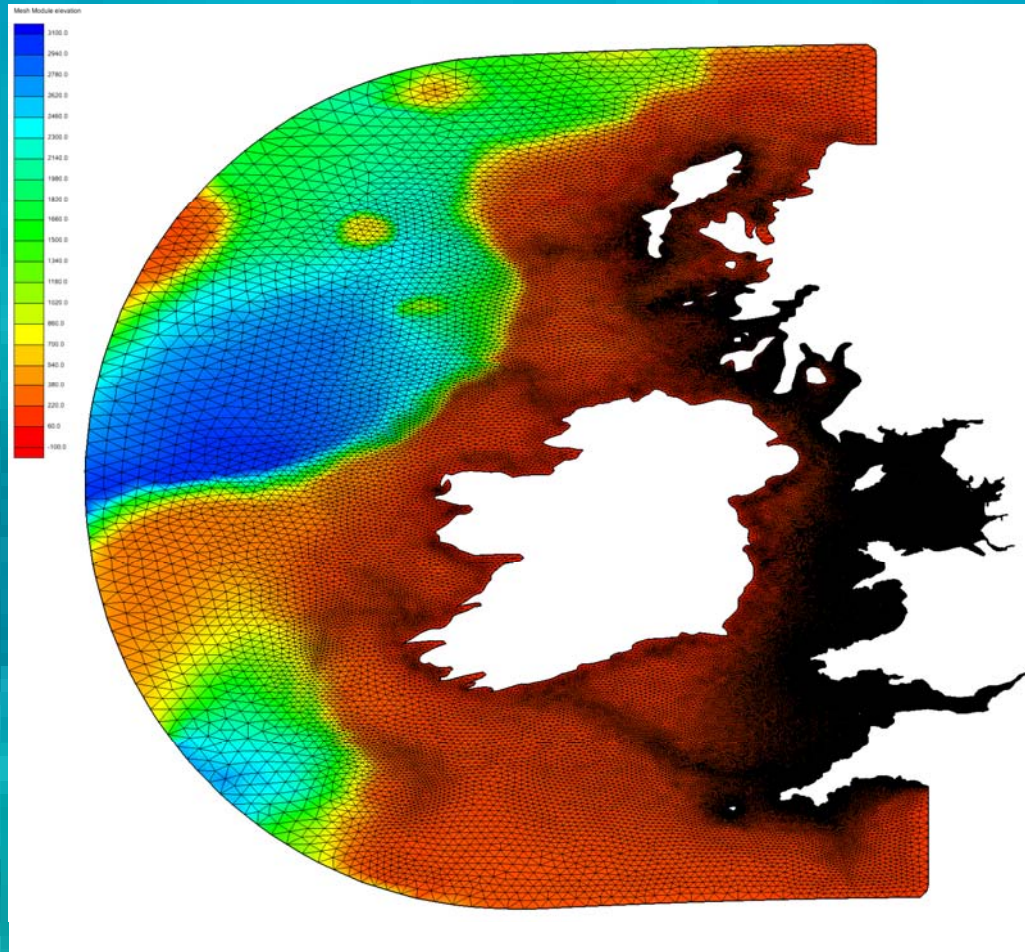


# O-D Modelling Summary

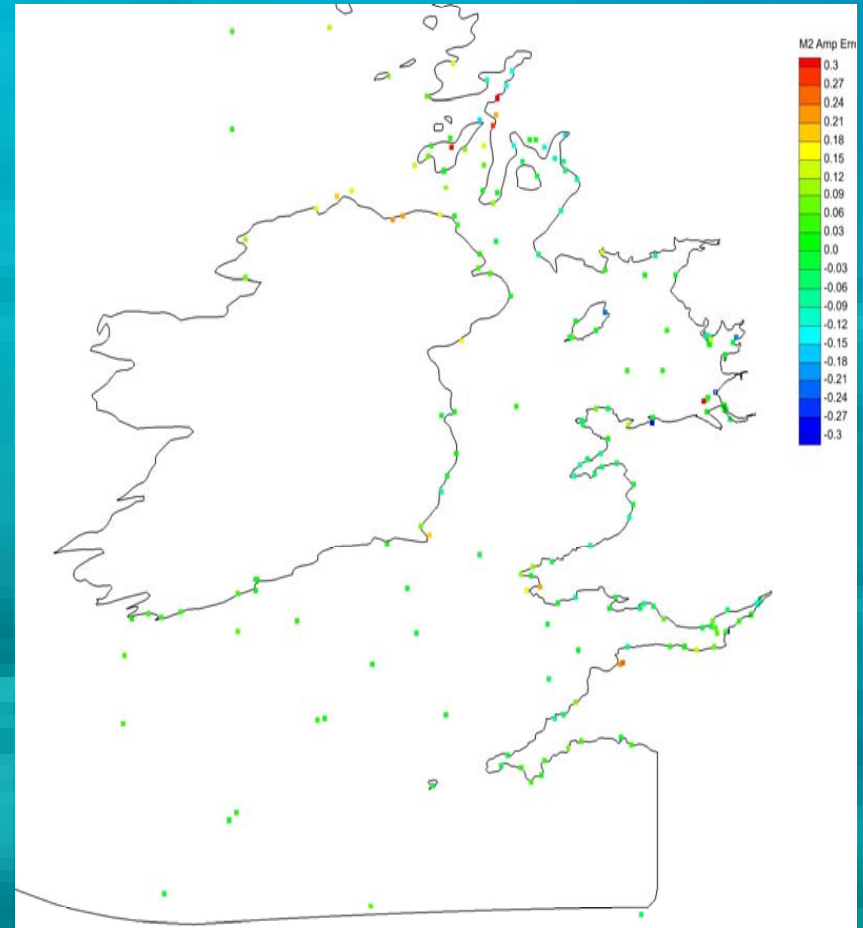
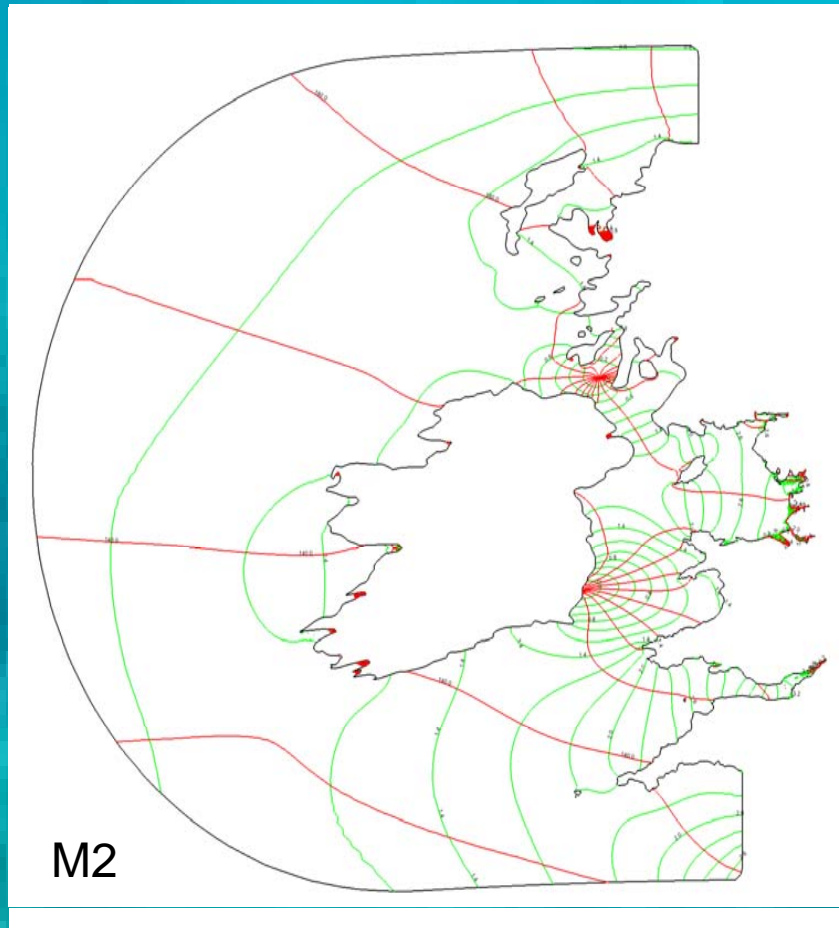
Ebb / Dual mode based on DoEn installation	1xDoEn Ebb Mode Energy TWh (Cost p/KWh)		1xDoEn Dual Mode Energy TWh (Cost p/KWh)		3xDoEn Dual Scheme Energy TWh (Cost p/KWh)	
Solway Firth	8.44 (5.83)		7.78 (6.71)		17.84 (5.86)	
Morecambe Bay	5.83 (6.04)		5.75 (6.46)		11.45 (7.39)	
Ribble	0.08 (7.75)		0.06 (11.03)			
Mersey	1.07 (4.28)		0.98 (5.12)		1.72 (6.16)	
Dee	1.35 (6.81)		1.30 (8.15)		2.21 (10.20)	
Dee Outer / Lagoon	4.60 (8.15 / 11.32)					
	Energy TWh	% of UK Electricity	Energy TWh	% of UK Electricity	Energy TWh	% of UK Electricity
NW Total (Dee/Outer)	16.76 / 20.01	<b>4.3 / 5.2</b>	15.87 / 19.17	4.1 / 5.0	33.30 / 35.69	<b>8.6 / 9.2</b>
Severn (SDC 2007)	17.00	<b>4.4</b>				
UK Total (Dee/Outer)	33.76 / 37.01	<b>8.7 / 9.6</b>				



# 2-D Modelling using ADCIRC and Unstructured Grid Generation



# Validation

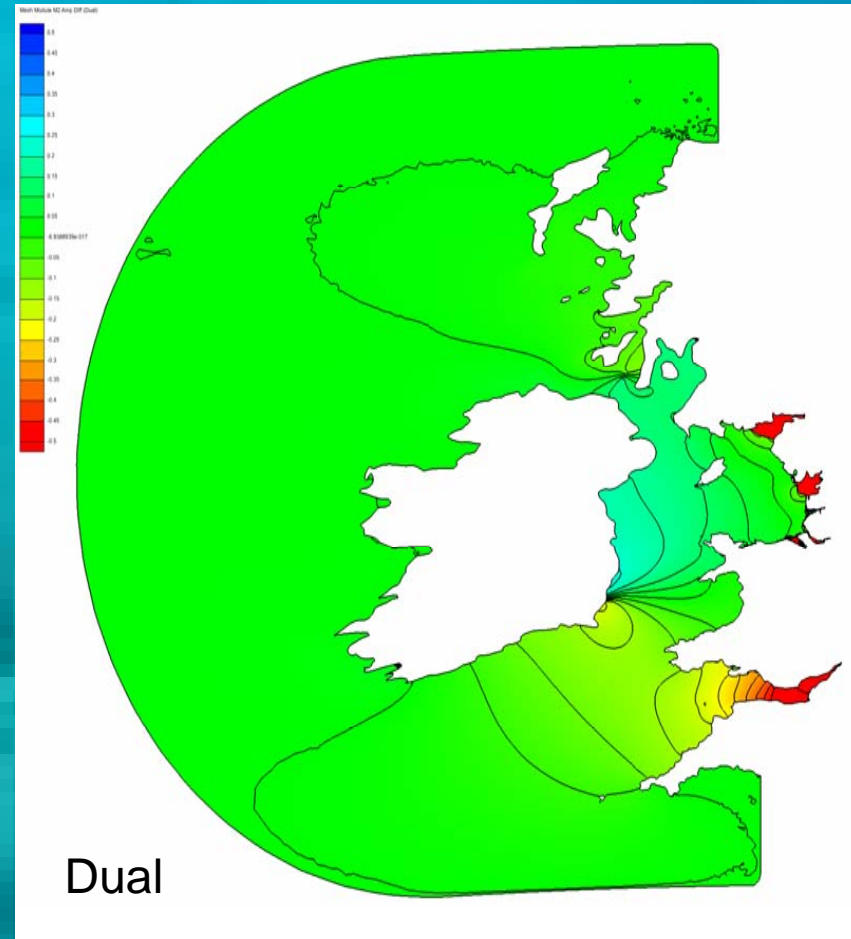
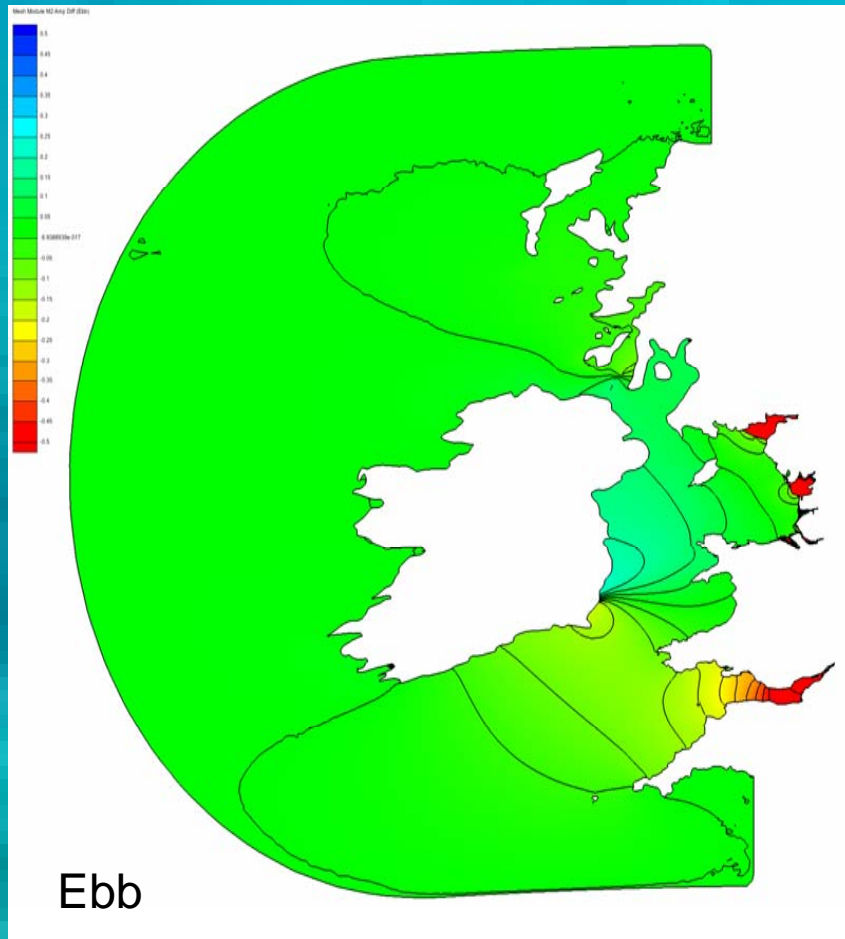




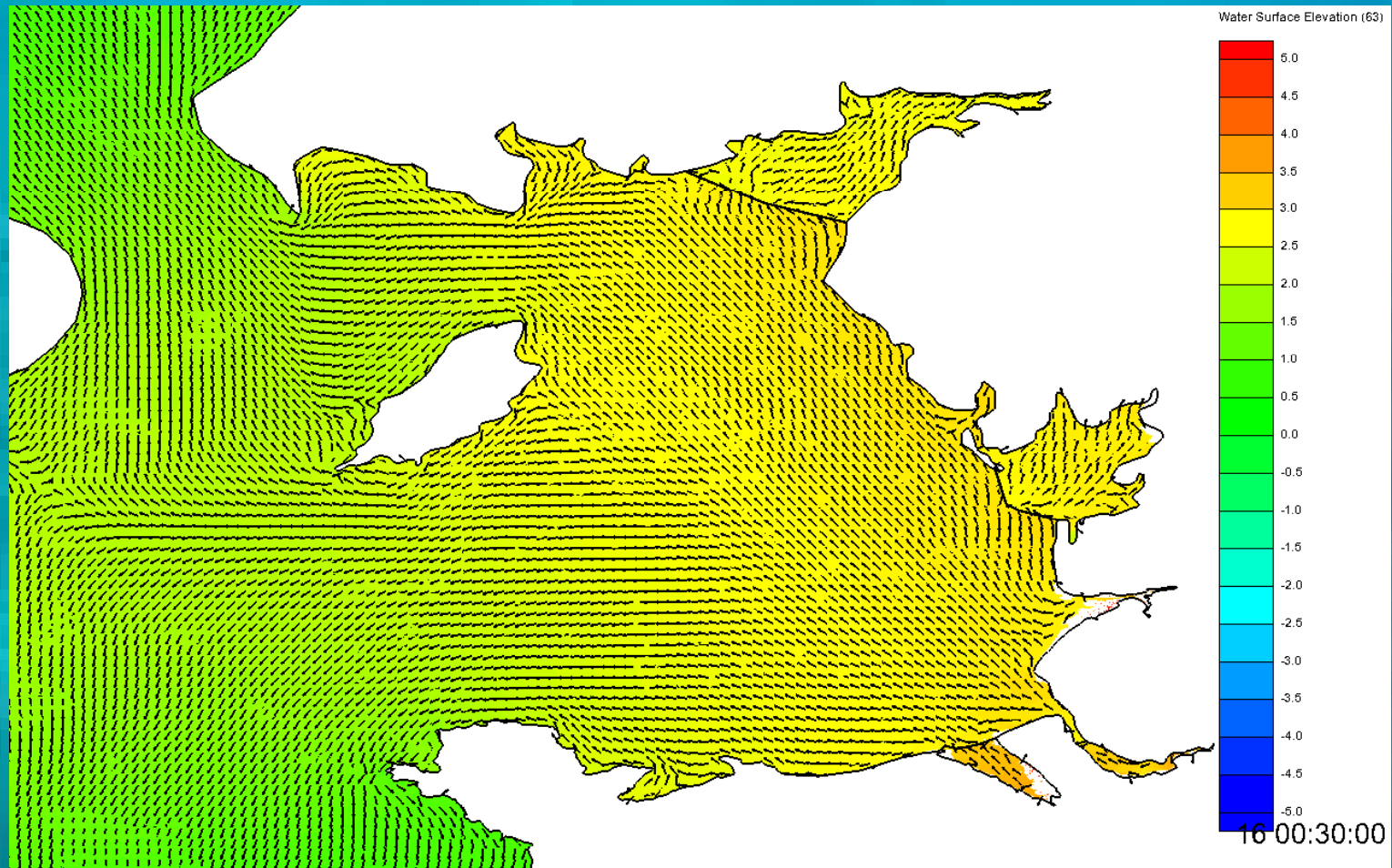
# Intercomparison

	Dataset 1 (59)	Dataset 2 (198)	Jones ADCIRC (198)	Jones Telemac (198)	POLCOMs (257)
Amp Mean (cm)	1.04	0.41	6.41	3.85	-4.99
Amp RMS (cm)	9.89	10.15	17.14	23.97	14.90
Phase Mean	0.30	0.29	-1.07	0.28	-1.00
Phase RMS	9.59	11.53	17.62	41.08	14.76
$H_s$ (cm)	11.09	14.42	31.50	36.05	21.61

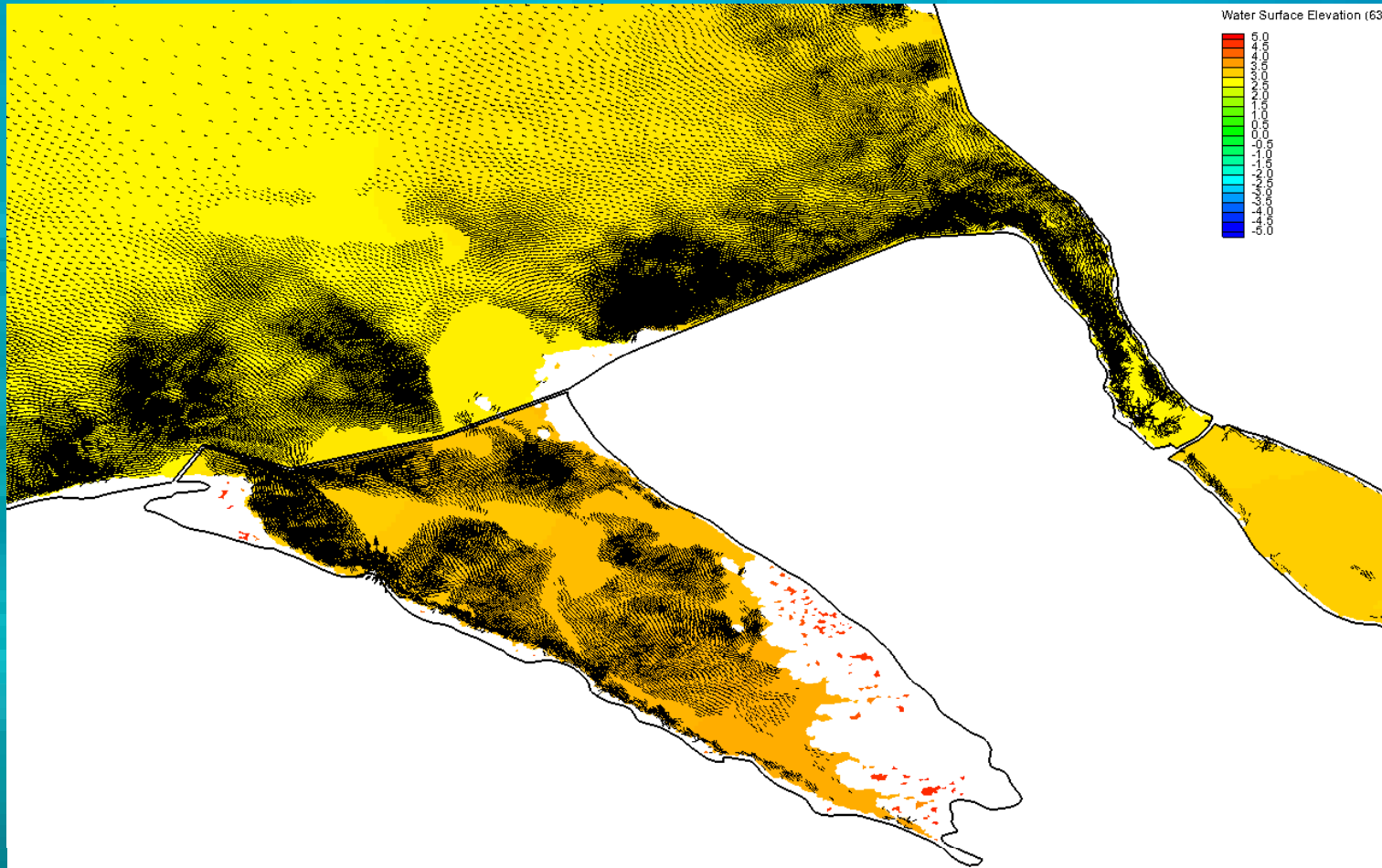
(1xDoEn) ebb / dual  
Change to  $M_2$  Tidal Component



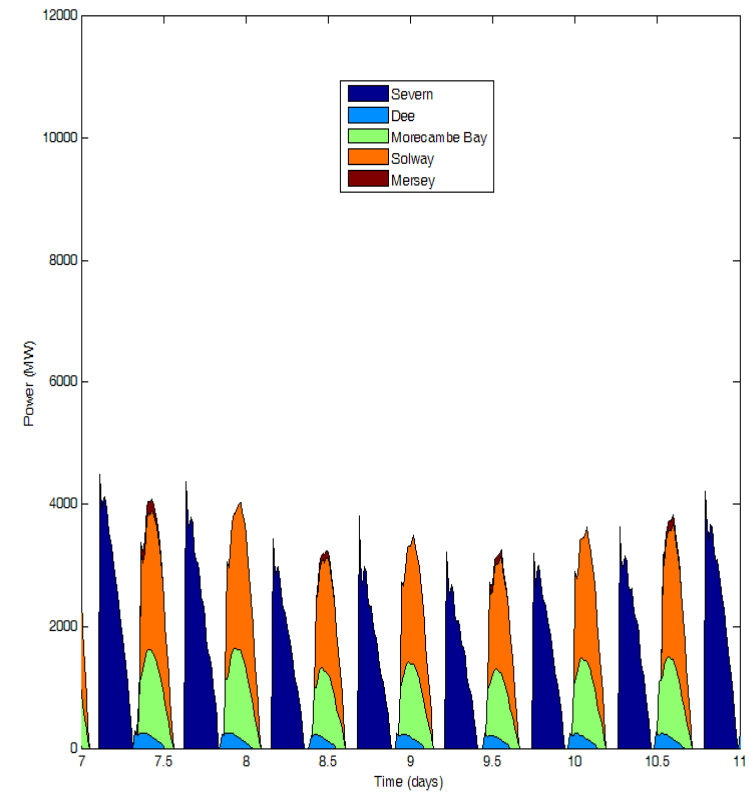
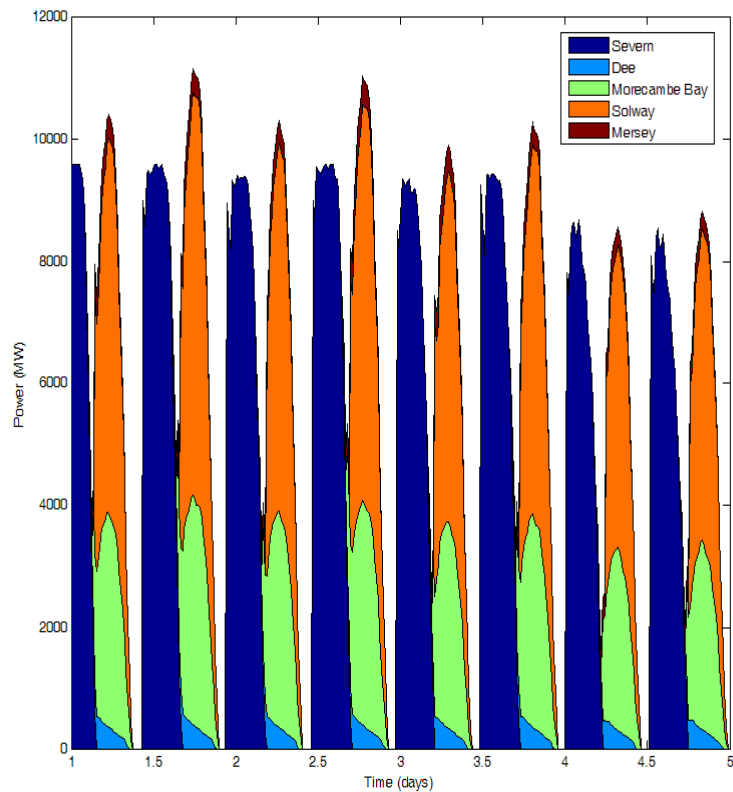
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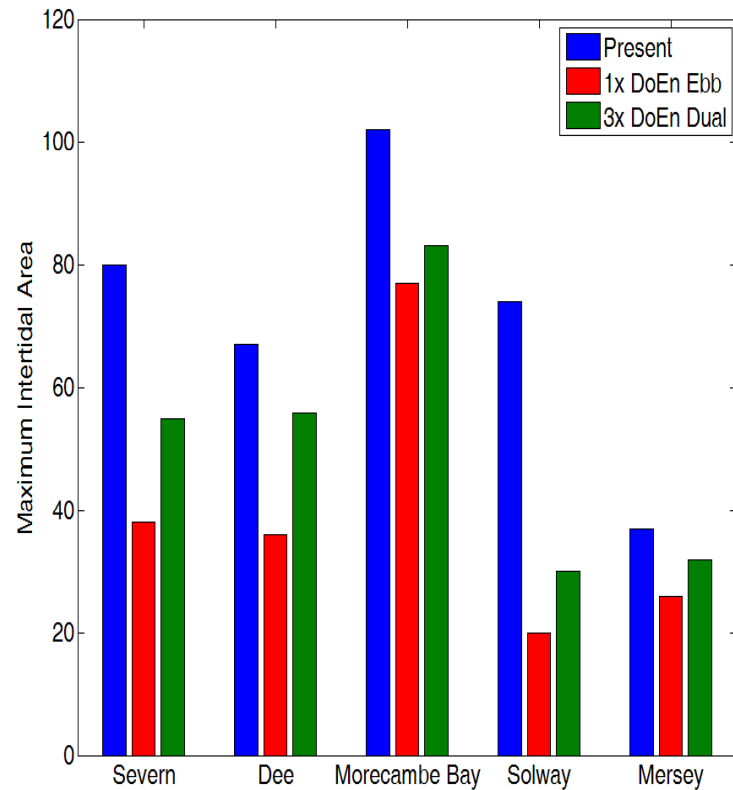
# Flow Simulations Liverpool Bay



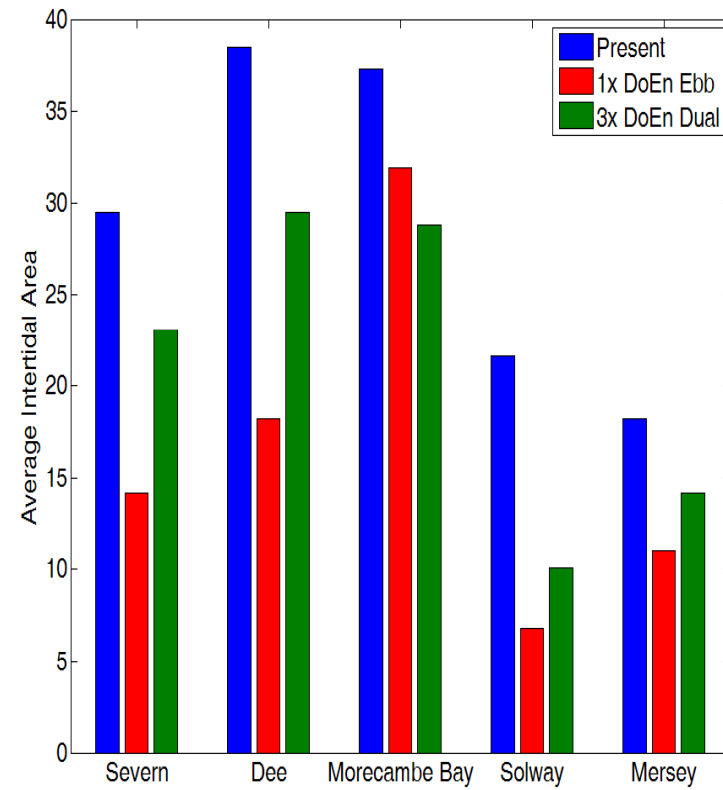
# *(1xDoEn) ebb* Spring / Neap Power



# Intertidal Area



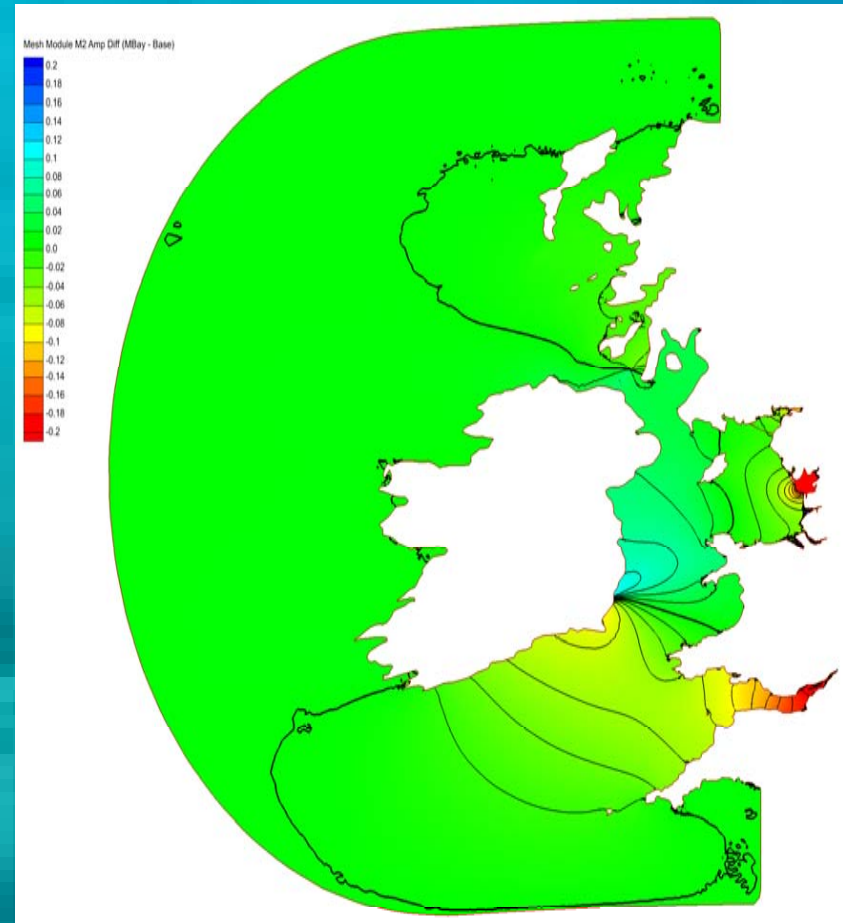
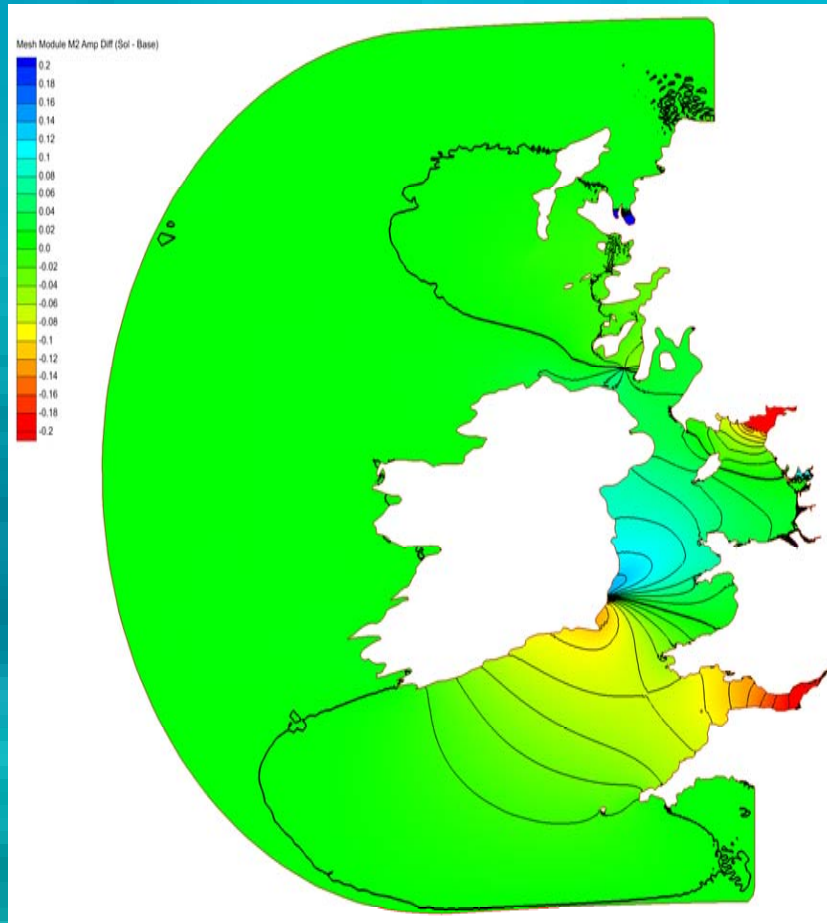
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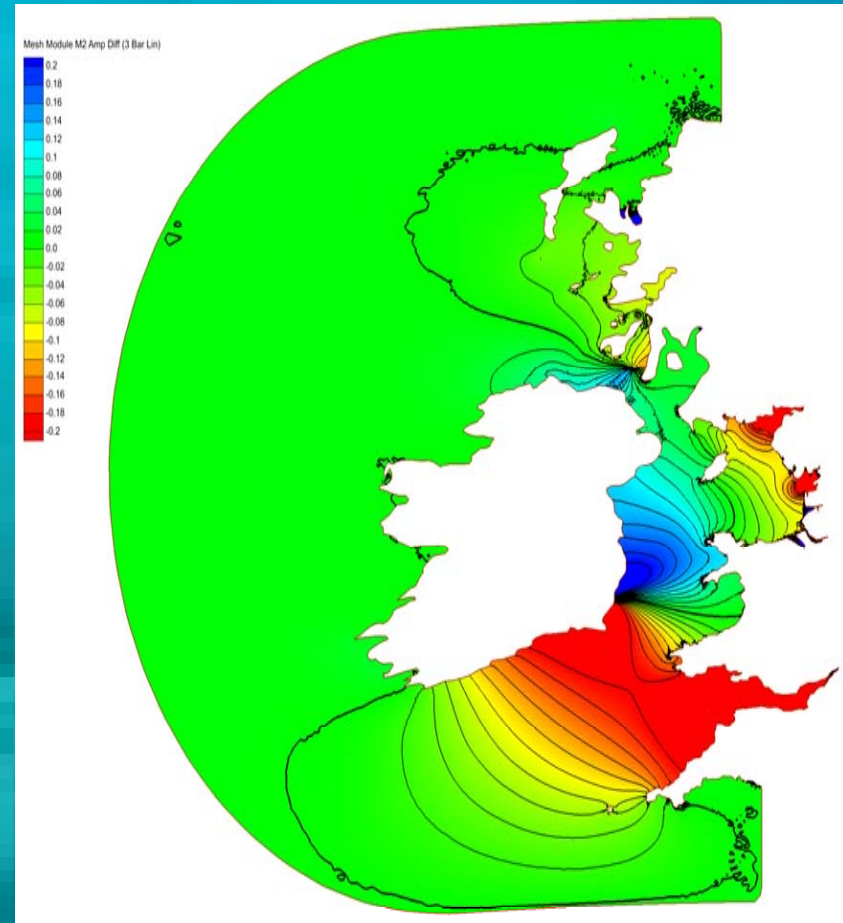
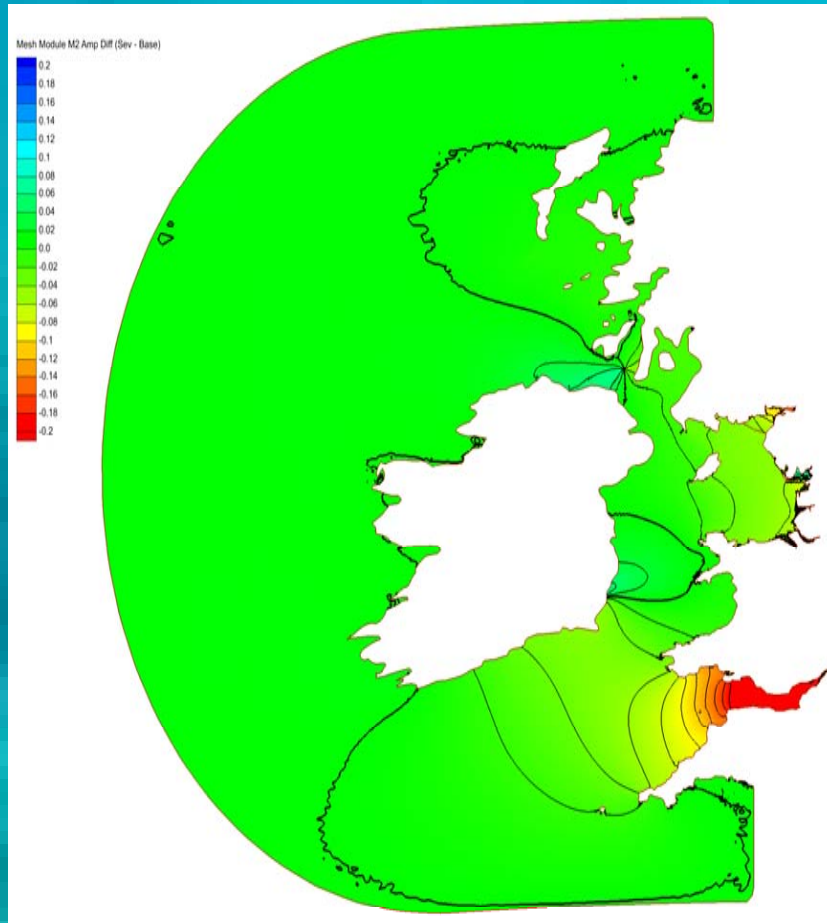
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Figure Intertidal area for each basin as: a) maximum extent; b) average available.

# Solway and Morecambe Bay

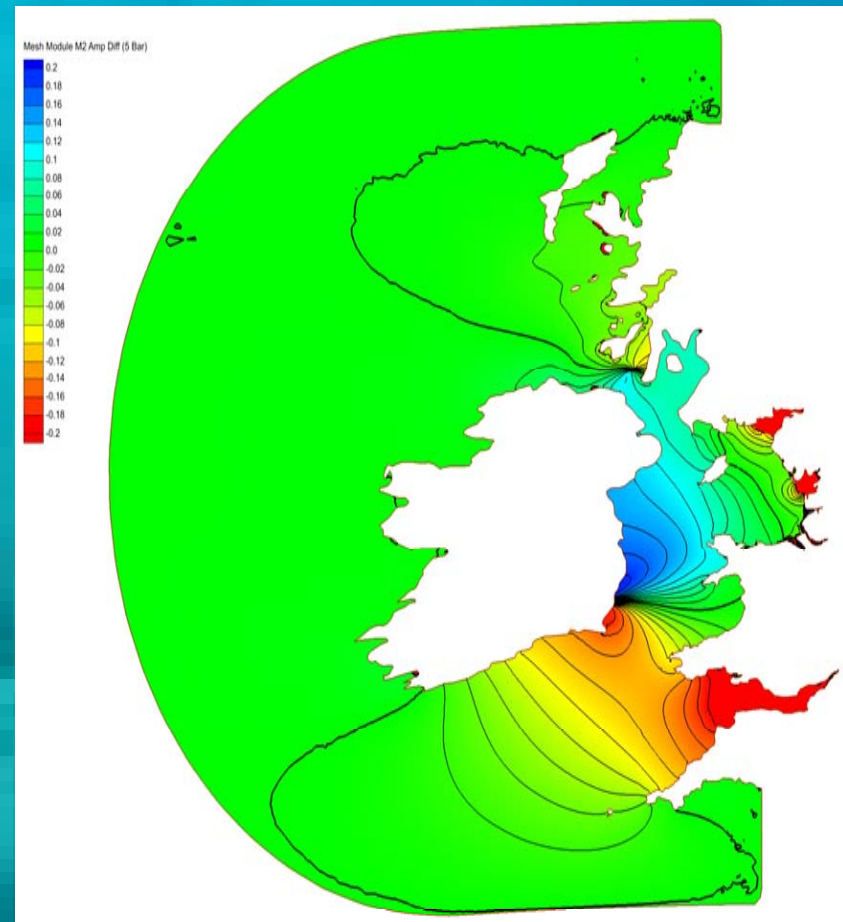
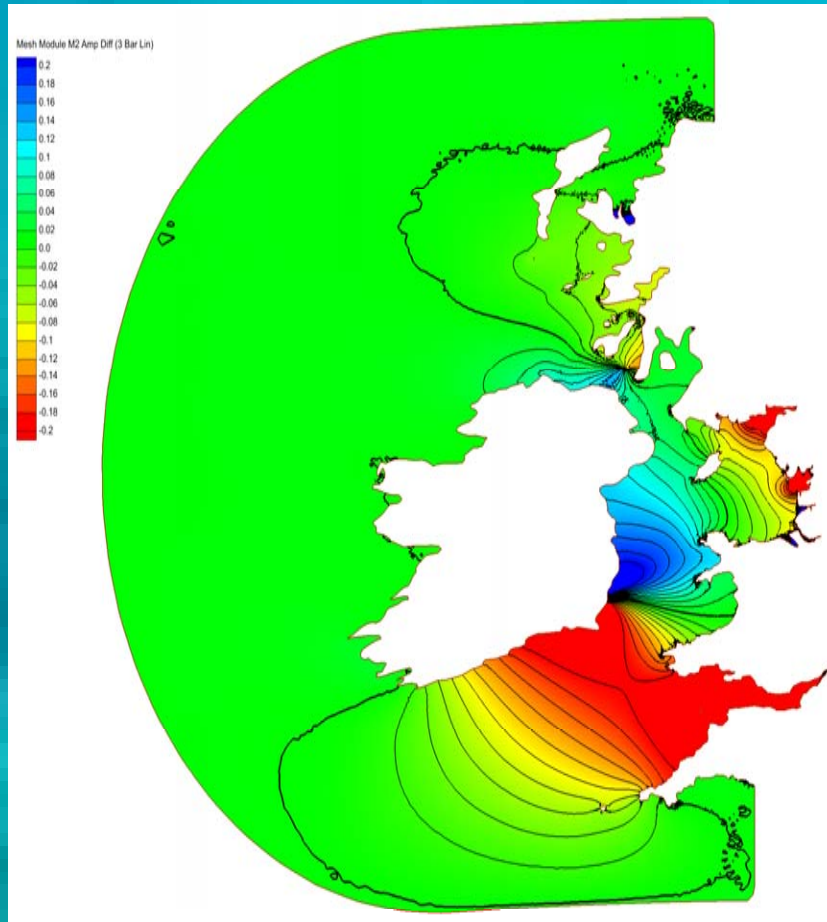


# Severn and Total





# Linear or Non-Linear?

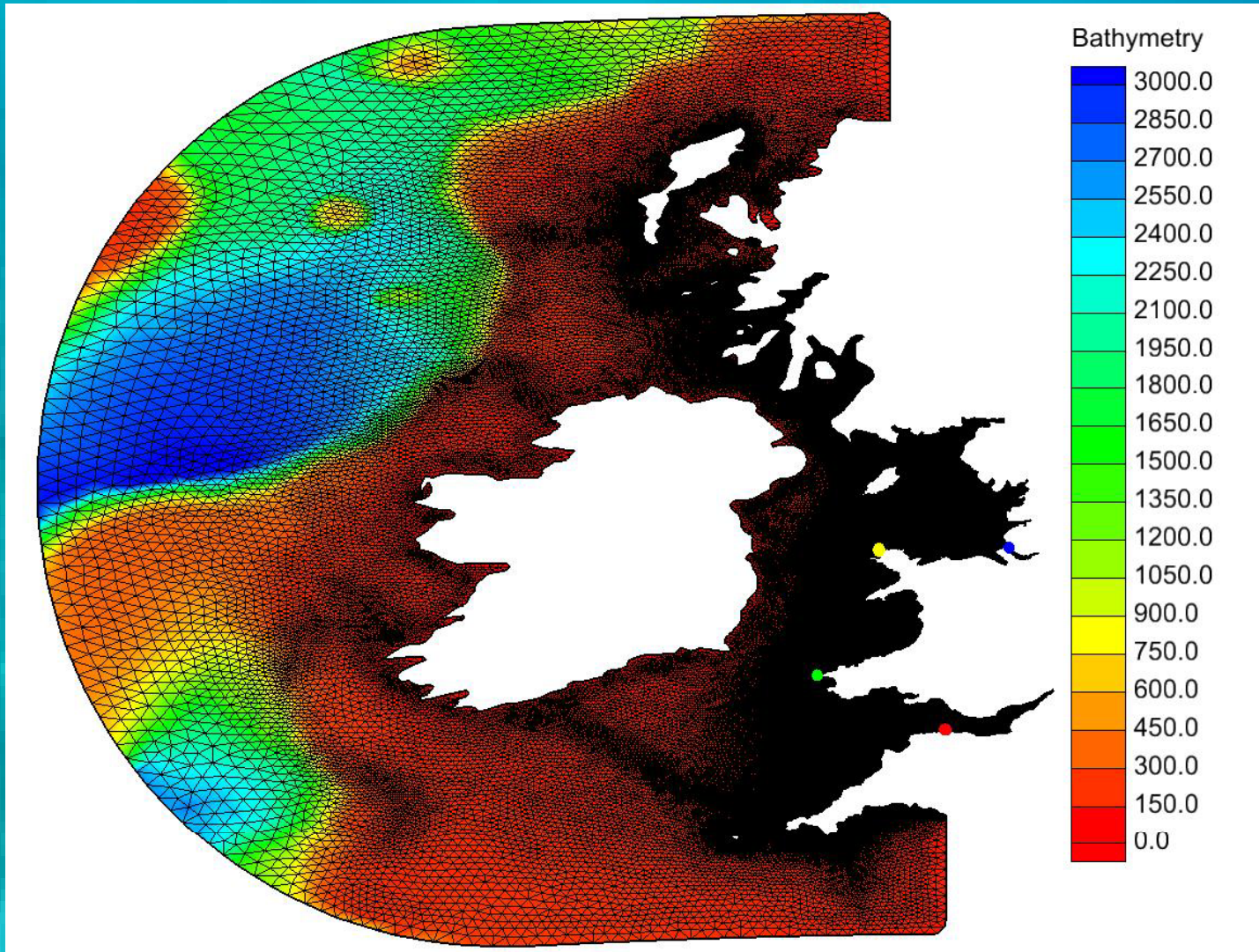


# Energy Outputs from 2-D Modelling

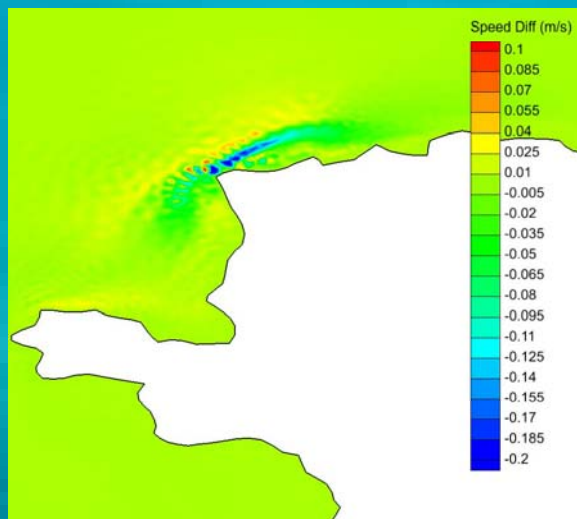
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	<b>1xDoEn Ebb-Mode Energy (TWh)</b>		<b>1xDoEn Dual-Mode Energy (TWh)</b>		<b>3xDoEn Dual-Mode Energy (TWh)</b>	
<b>Solway</b>	9.66		6.82		10.80	
<b>Morecambe Bay</b>	5.98		3.99		7.13	
<b>Mersey</b>	0.57		0.74		0.97	
<b>Dee</b>	0.89		0.80		1.35	
	<b>Total Energy (TWh)</b>	<b>UK (%)</b>	<b>Total Energy (TWh)</b>	<b>UK (%)</b>	<b>Total Energy (TWh)</b>	<b>UK (%)</b>
<b>North West</b>	17.10	4.5	12.34	3.2	20.24	5.3
<b>Severn</b>	15.81	4.2	14.01	3.7	20.01	5.3
<b>Total</b>	32.91	8.7	26.35	6.9	40.25	10.6

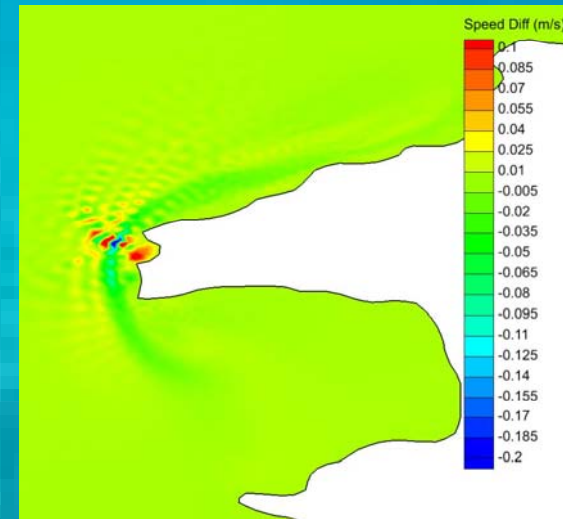
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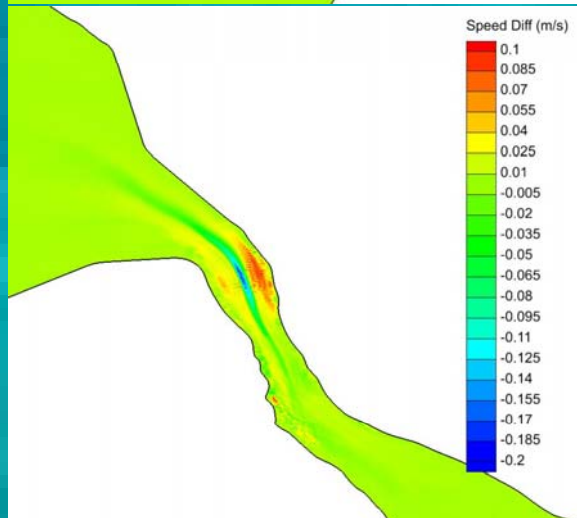
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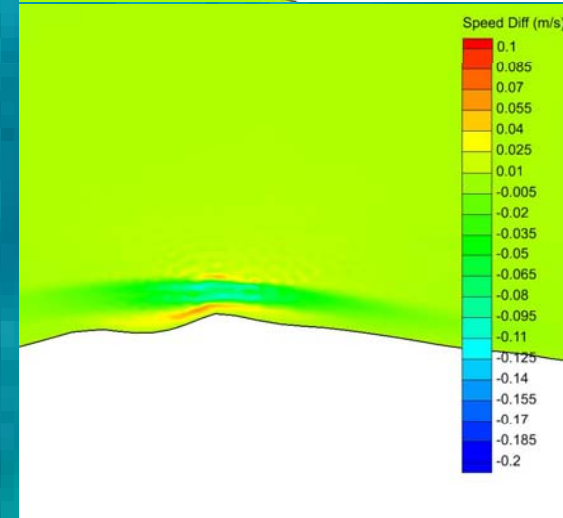
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West  
Wales

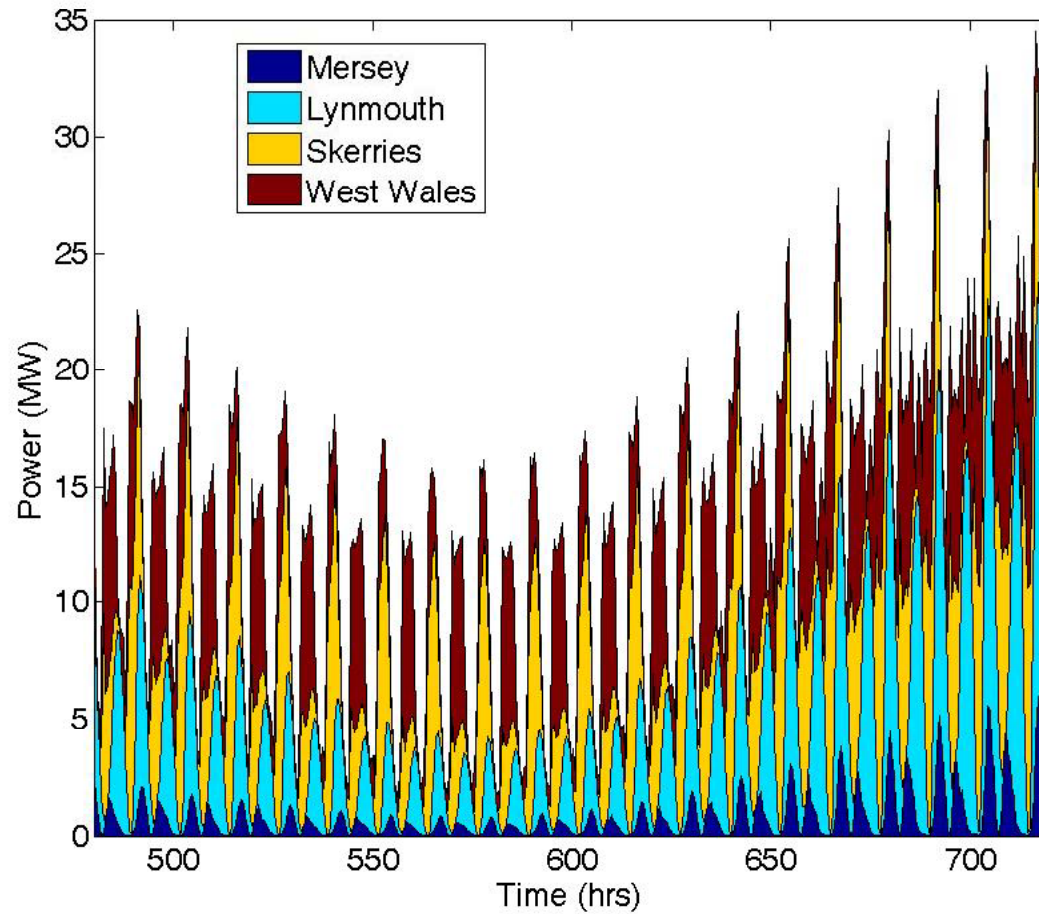


Mersey



Lynmouth

# Power Output



	Installed Power (MW)	Annual Output (GWh)
Lynmouth	30	51.07
Mersey	20	18.18
Skerries	10.5	45.45
West Wales	8	42.58
Total	68.5	157.28