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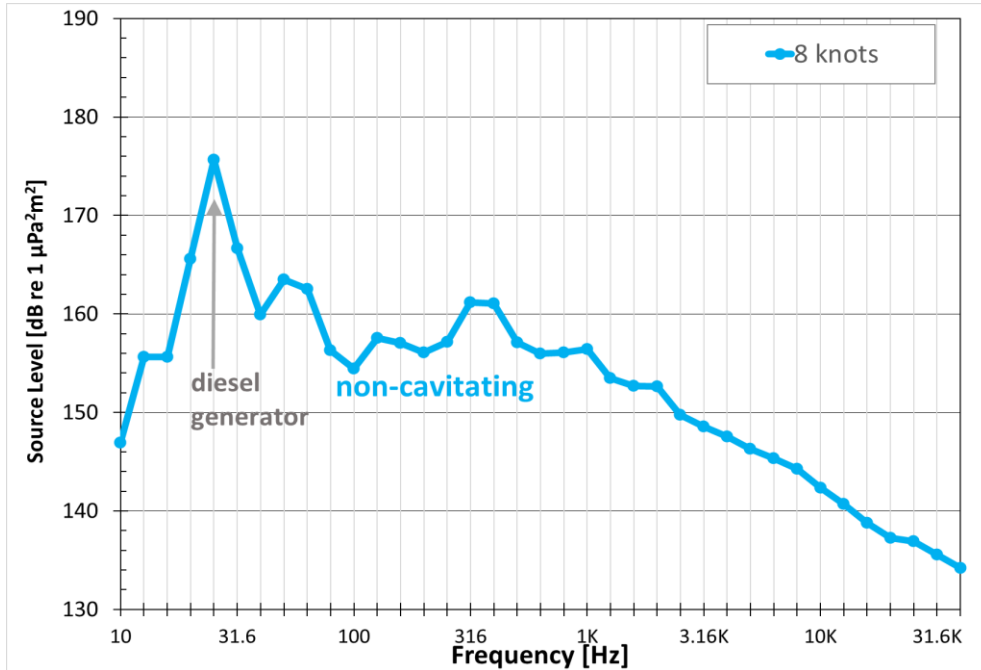
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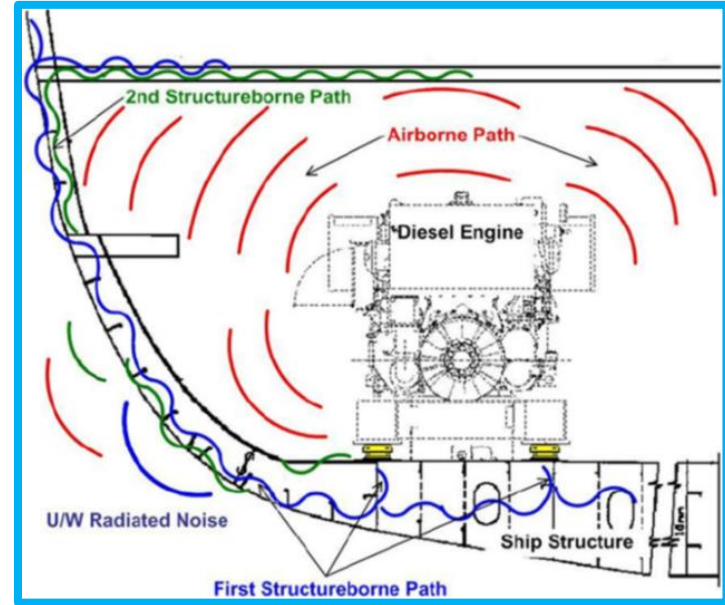
Five solutions for reducing underwater radiated noise and their impact on efficiency

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URN from ships: machinery-induced



Source: Arveson & Vendittis (2000) 173 m cargo vessel

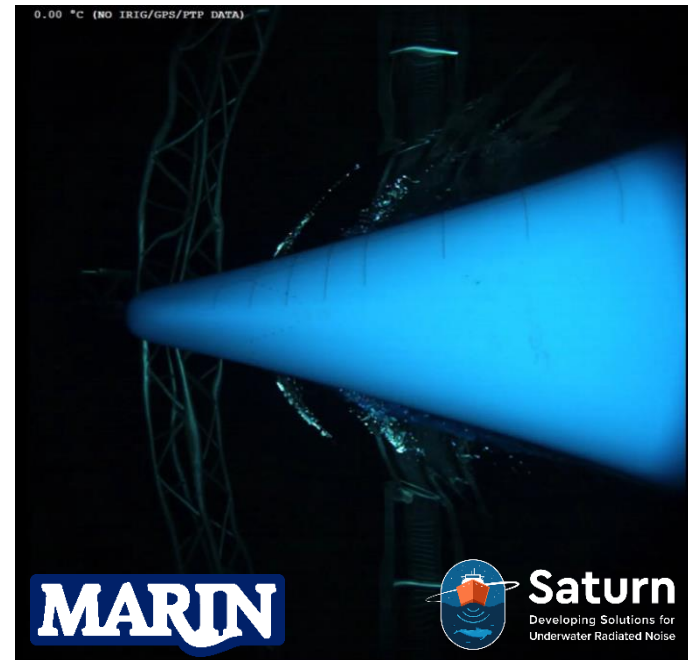
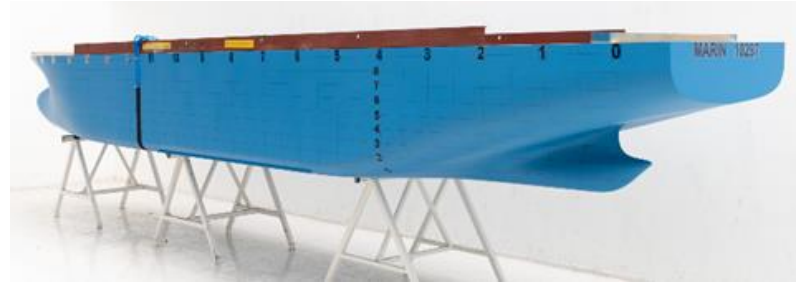


Source: Spence and Fischer, 2017

Solution 1: Masker system (machinery noise)



Masker belts positioned around the hull



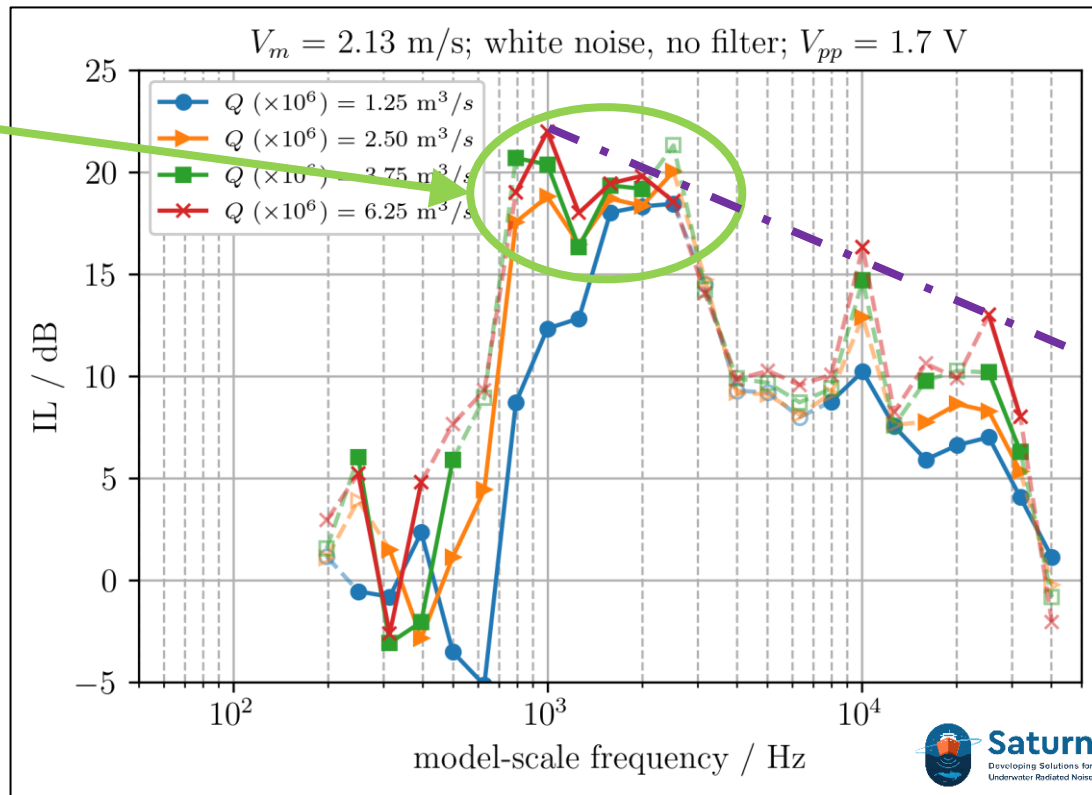
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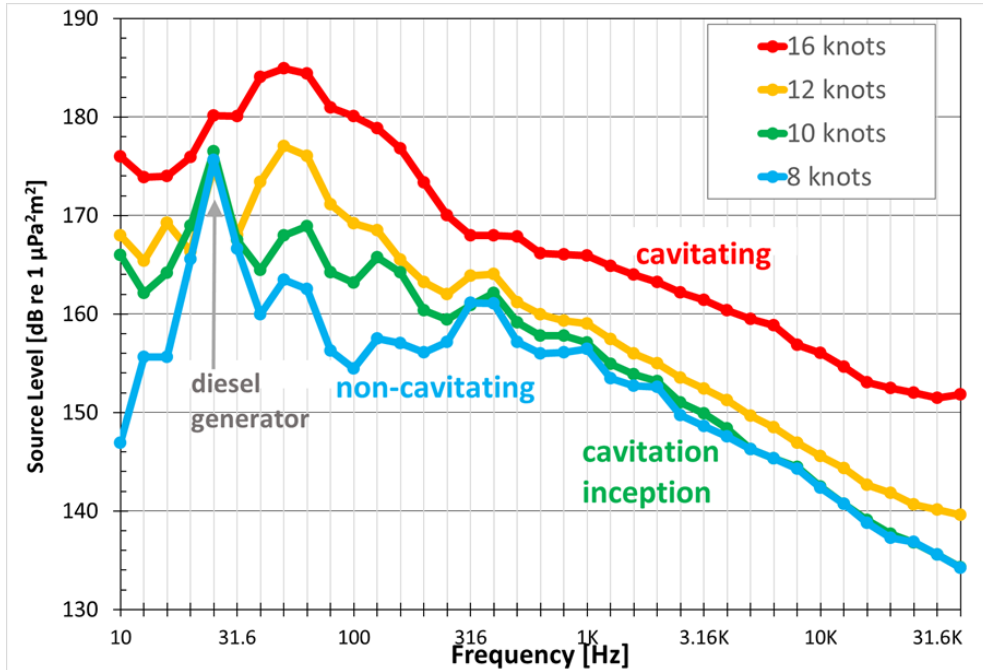
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Insertion loss: up to 20 dB above 1 kHz

- Bubbles might be integrated with air lubrication to reduce resistance
 - Not tested in Saturn
 - Gains of 5 % - 10 % have been claimed in literature
 - Bubbles can reduce propeller efficiency



URN from ships: cavitation-induced



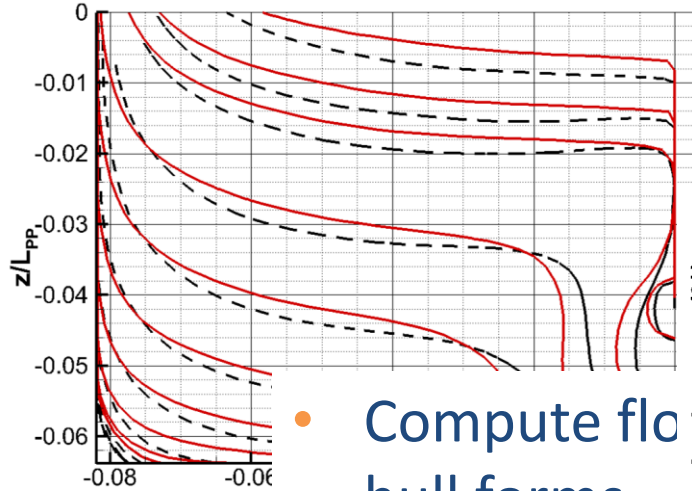
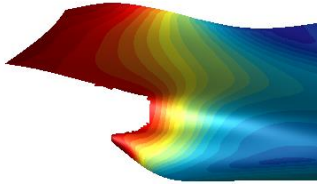
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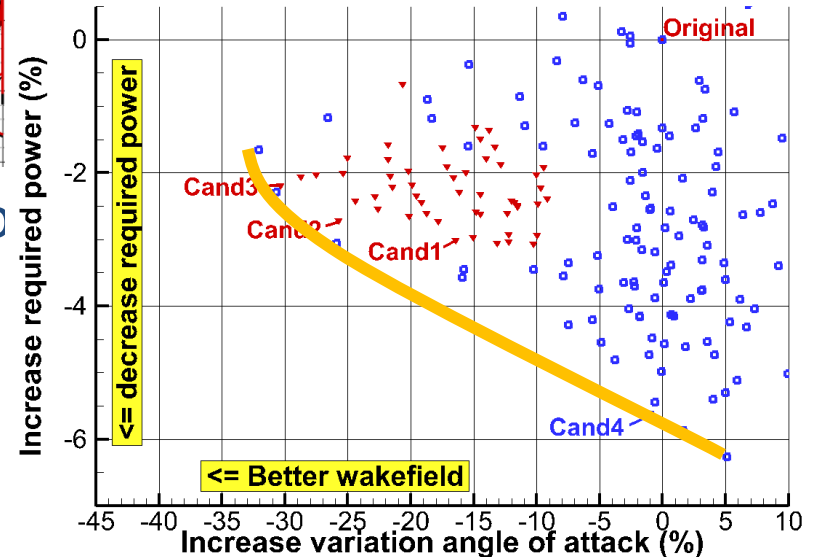
Solution 2: Hull form optimisation



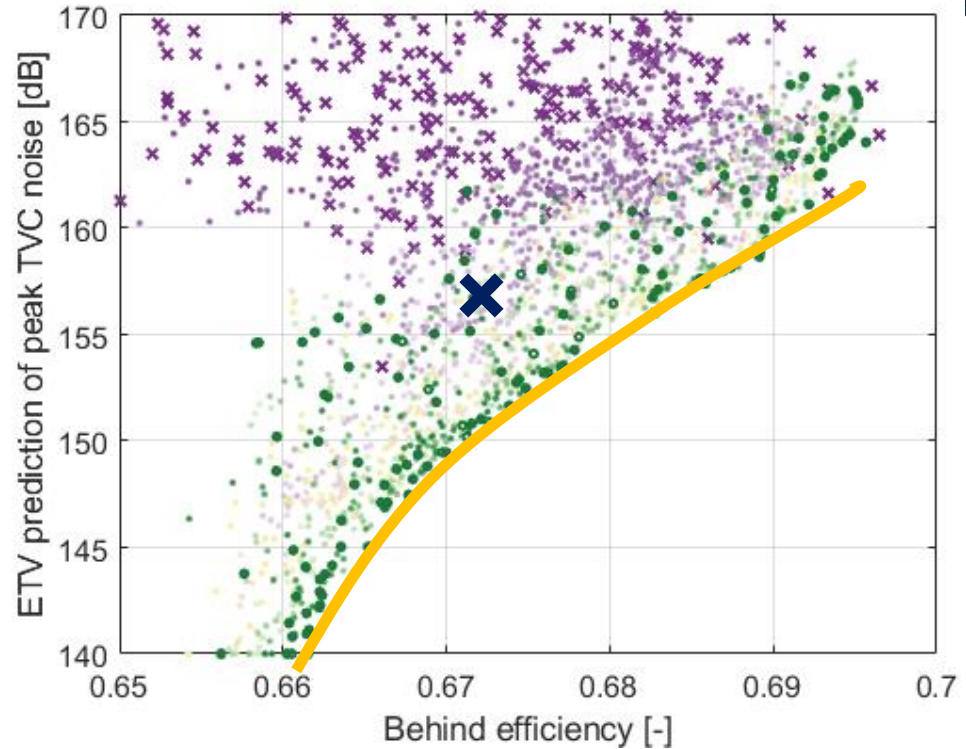
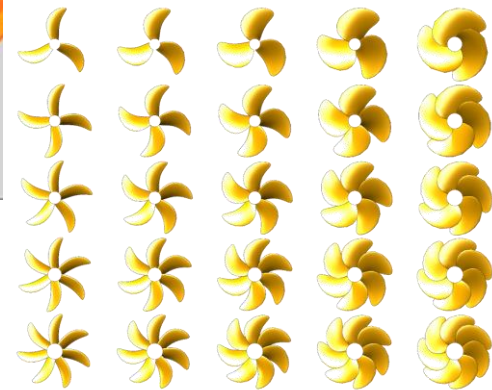
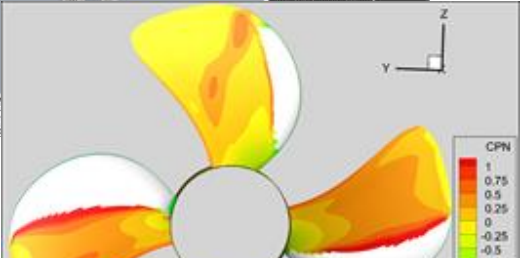
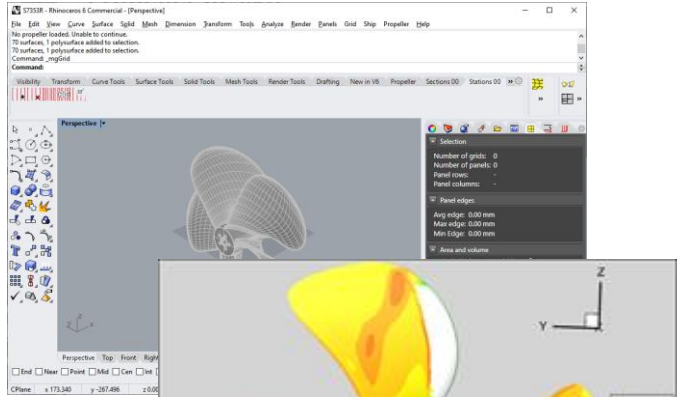
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• Compute flow over hull forms



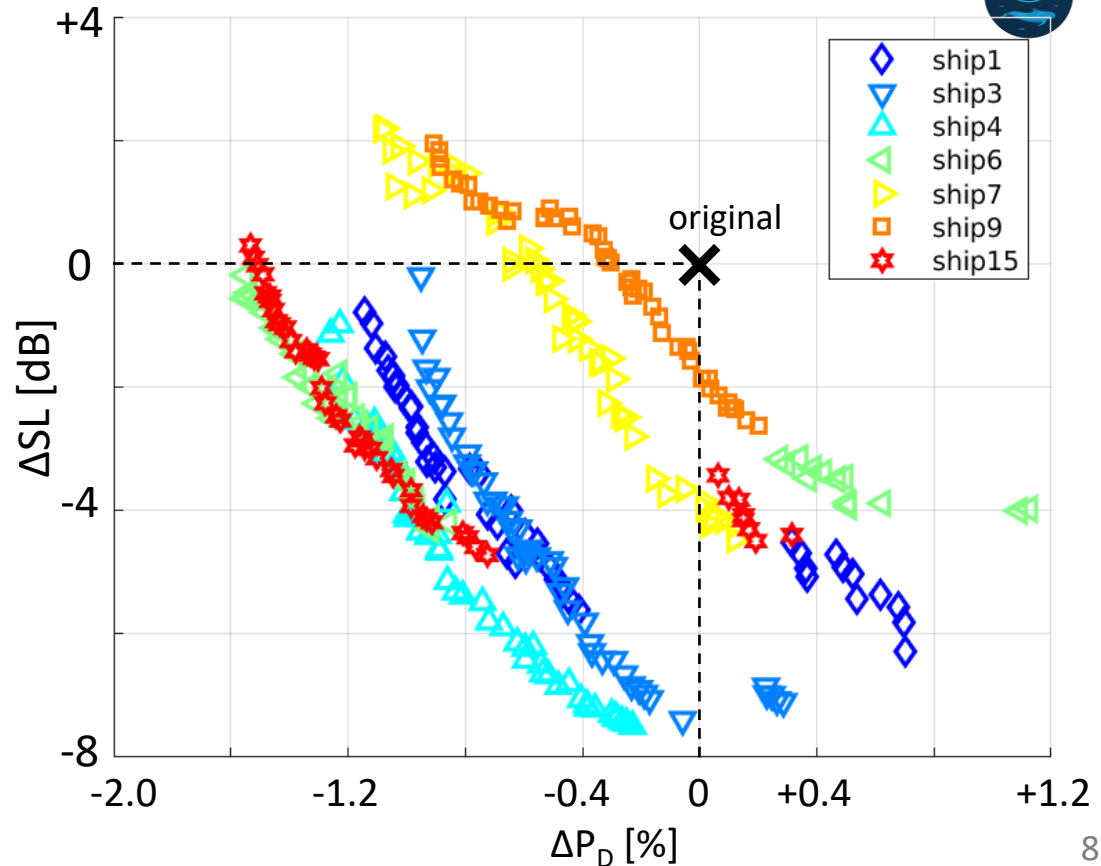
Solution 3: Propeller optimisation



Solution 2 + 3 combined: System optimisation



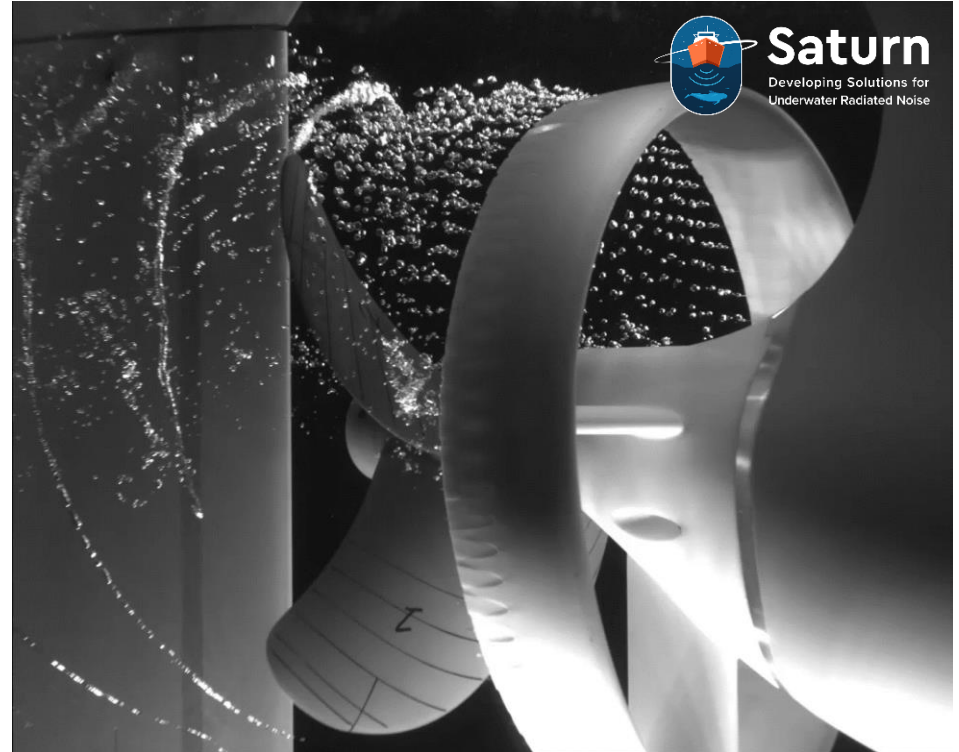
- Traditionally:
 1. optimise hull form for **resistance**
 2. optimise propeller in the **resulting wakefield**
- Integrated approach:
 - optimise system of hull and propeller *simultaneously* for **efficiency** and **URN**



Solution 4: Prairie-like system



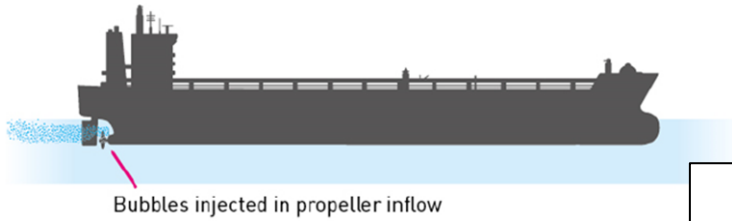
Bubbles injected in propeller inflow



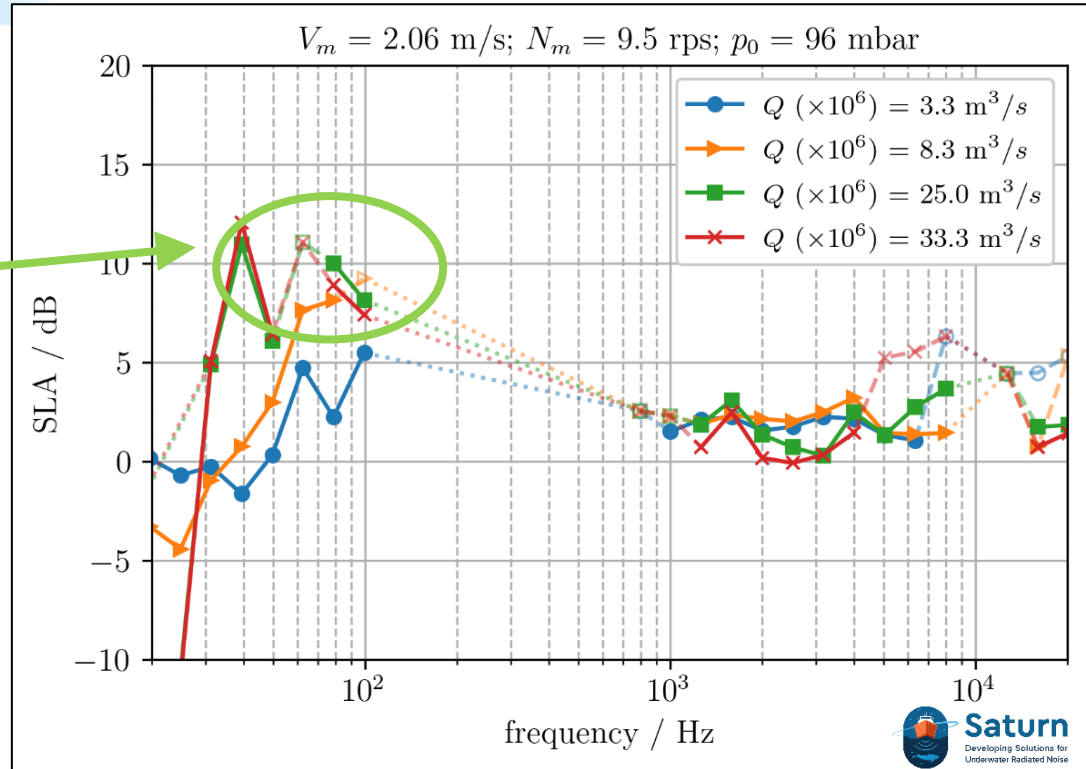
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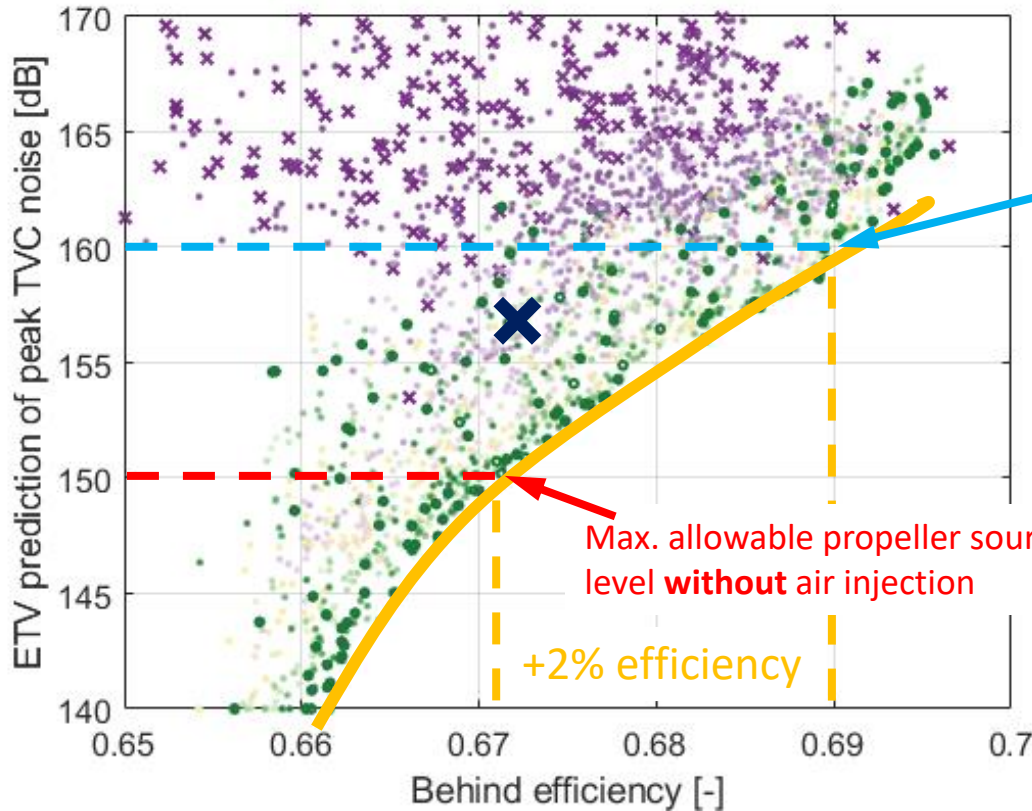
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Source level attenuation:
10 dB low frequencies
(tip vortex cavitation)

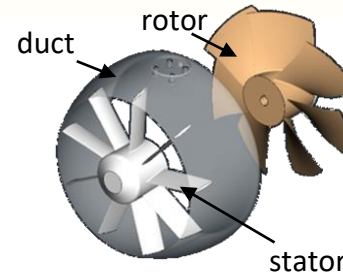
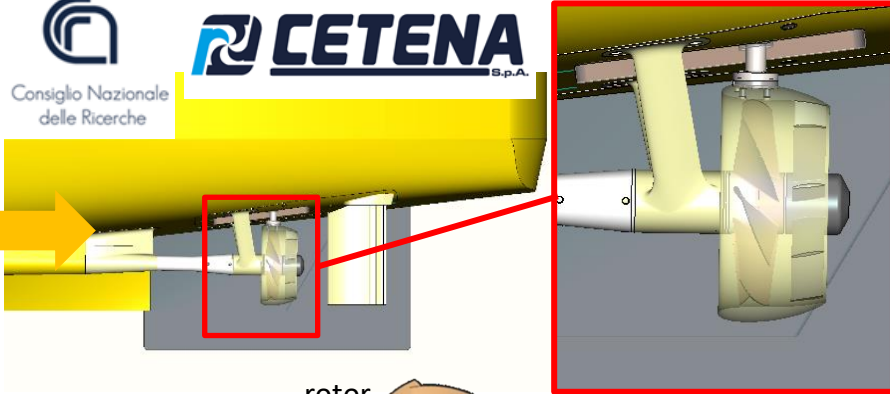
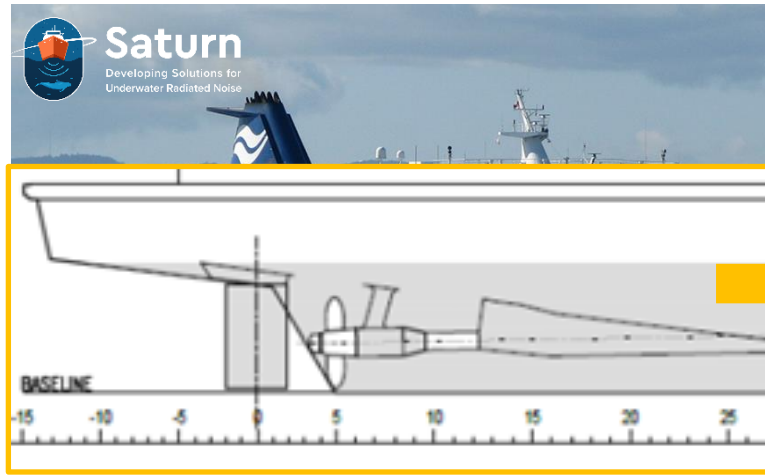


Solution 4: Prairie-like system – propeller selection



- Influence of air on efficiency not taken into account:
 - Small drop expected due to lower density

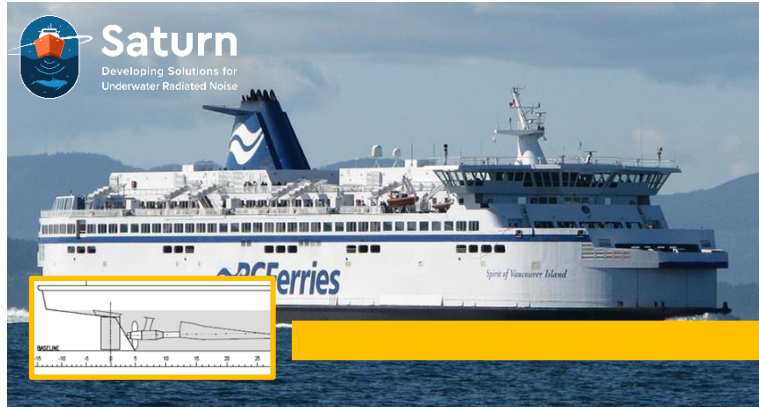
Solution 5: Change propulsion concept



Pumpjet (Saturn T4.3):

- Suppresses cavitation on rotor
- Efficiency +2% w.r.t. existing propeller
- Will be tested for Saturn (CNR cavitation tunnel) in 2024

Solution 5: Change propulsion concept



Trochoidal propeller (Saturn T4.5):



- Large propulsor area and uniform inflow reduce noise
- Model tests and computations completed
- Results to be analysed

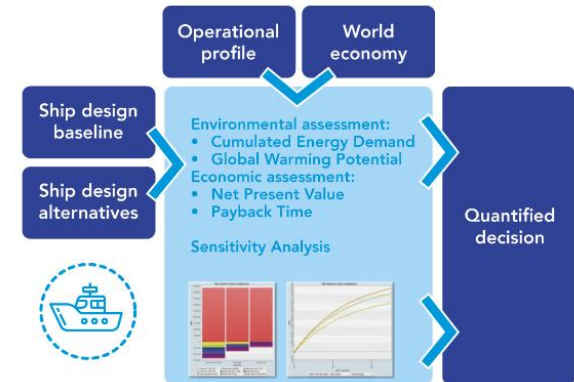
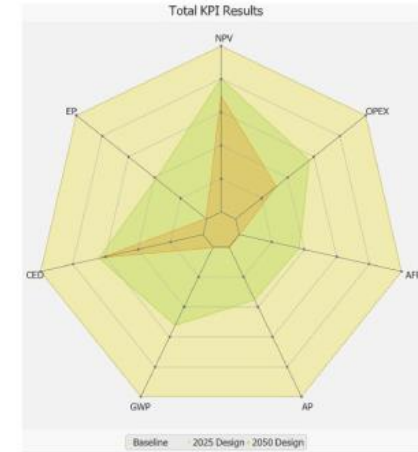
Cost-benefit analysis



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- Cost-benefit analysis of technical mitigation solutions
 - Planned for Saturn T4.6  
- KPI: Capital costs + operational costs
 - Depends on ship type and operational profile
- KPI: Reduction of impact on marine species
 - Translate change in source levels to change in impact for a single ship
- KPI: Impact on energy efficiency
 - Use will be made of LCPA software



Thank you



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