



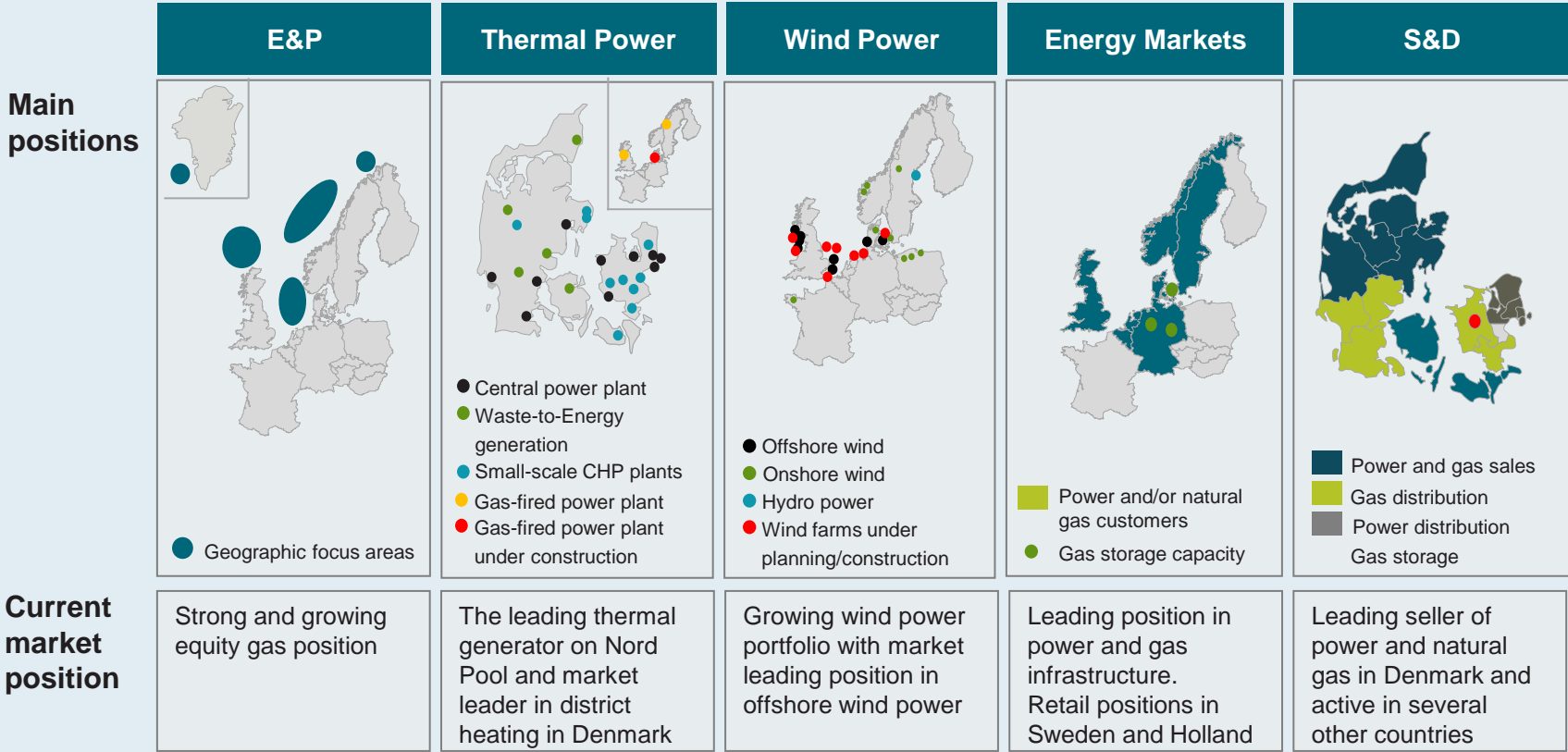
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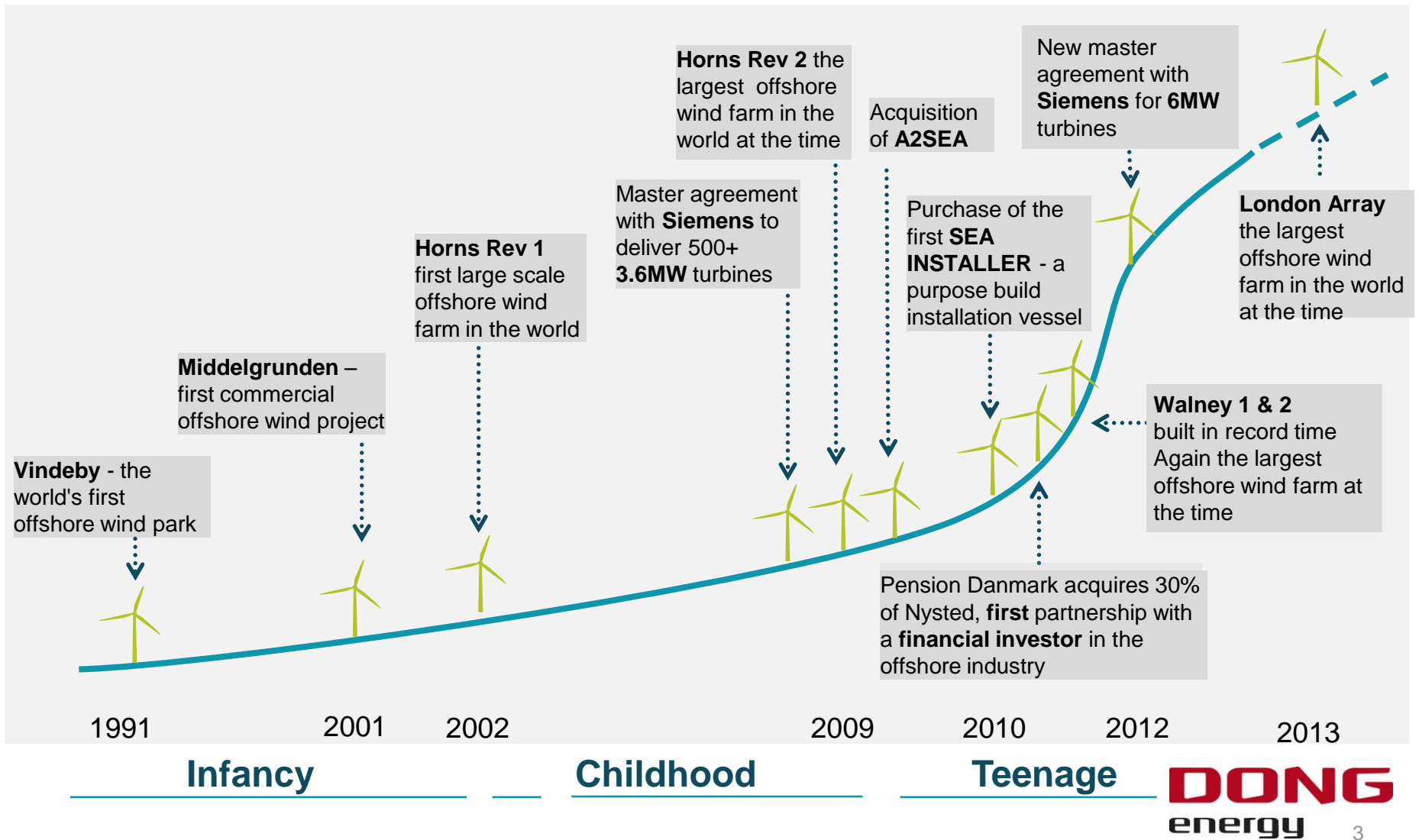
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DONG Energy is an integrated energy company and active throughout the value chain



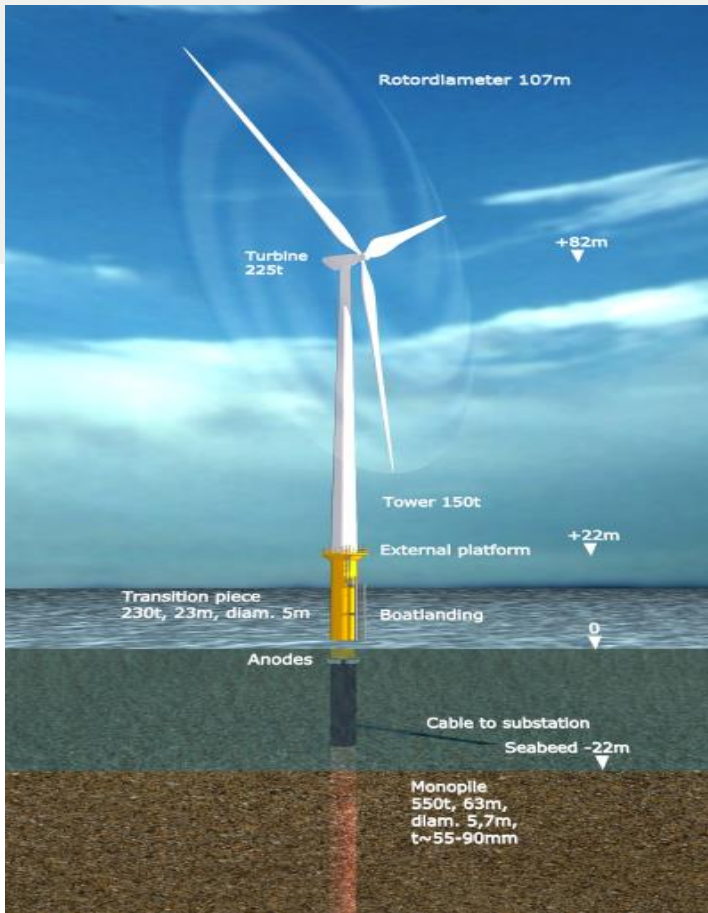
Source: DONG Energy

Wind Power has been leading the offshore wind industry from the very beginning



Piled Foundations

- From monopile foundations
- To jackets foundations on deeper waters

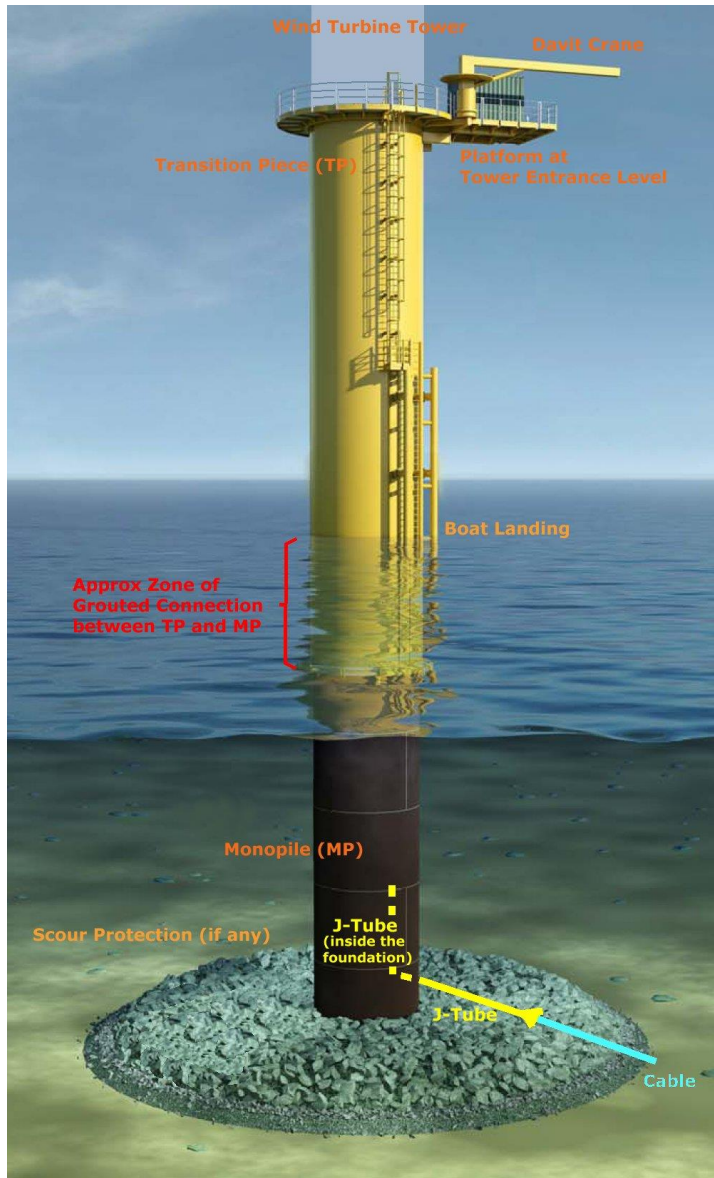


Monopiles



Jackets

Monopile Foundation Typical



Development of Monopiles

Project	Year Completed	Wind Turbine			Monopiles (MP)		
		Nos	Type	Size	Dia. (m)	Max Length (m)	Max Weight (tons)
Horns Rev (1)	2002	80	Vestas	2,00 MW	4,0	33	155
Kentish Flat	2005	30	Vestas	2,75 MW	4,3	41	181
Burbo Banks	2006	25	Siemens	3,60 MW	4,7	37	234
Rhyl Flats	2008	25	Siemens	3,60 MW	4,7	37	234
Linn & Inner Dowsing	2008	54	Siemens	3,60 MW	4,7	41	266
Robin Rigg	2008	60	Vestas	3,00 MW	4,3	45	264
Gunfleet Sands I & II	2009	49	Siemens	3,60 MW	4,7	54	423
Greater Gabbard	2009	140	Siemens	3,60 MW			650
Sheringham Shoal	2011	90	Siemens	3,60 MW	5,7	60	550
Walny 1 & 2	2011	102	Siemens	3,60 MW	6,5	68	810
West of Duddon Sands	1013	108	Siemens	3,60 MW	6,0	55	520
Borkum Riffgrund 1	2014	77	Siemens	3,60 MW	5,9		683
Westermost Rough	2014	35	Siemens	6,00 MW	6,5	65	805
GodeWind 1 & 2	2015	97	Siemens	6,00 MW	7,5	~67	~1012

Development of Installation Vessels

- From barge modified Jack-ups
- To advanced selfpropelled Jack-ups



Innovation w/ 1500T crane



Pacific Orca w/ 1200T crane



Seajack w/ 1200T crane

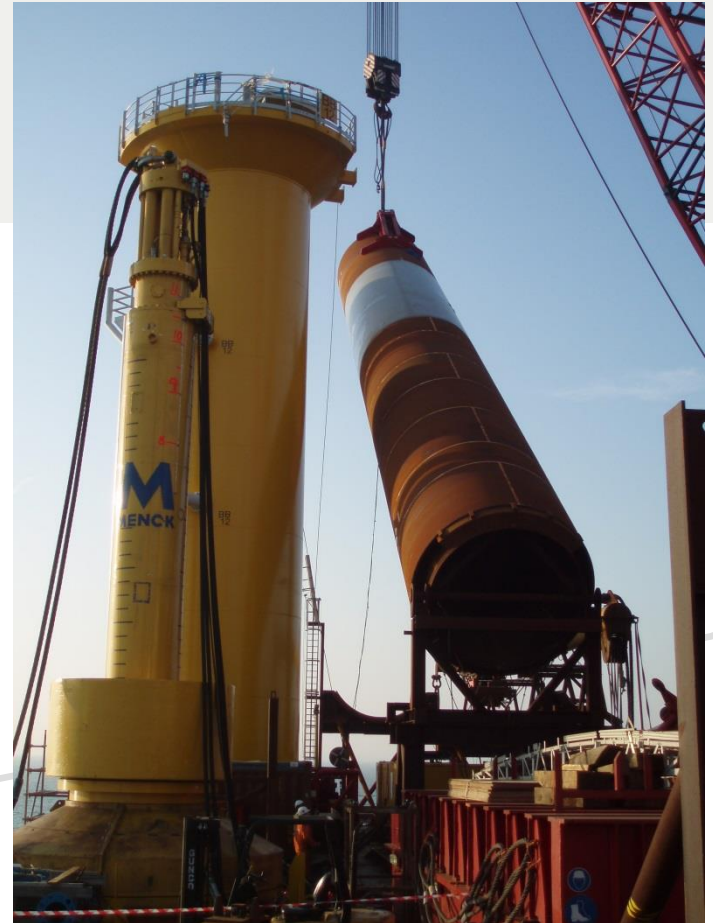
..and Large Heavy Lift Floating Vessels

from the Bridge Building and Offshore industries



Pile Handling

Monopiles on jack-up using up-ending tool



Pile Handling

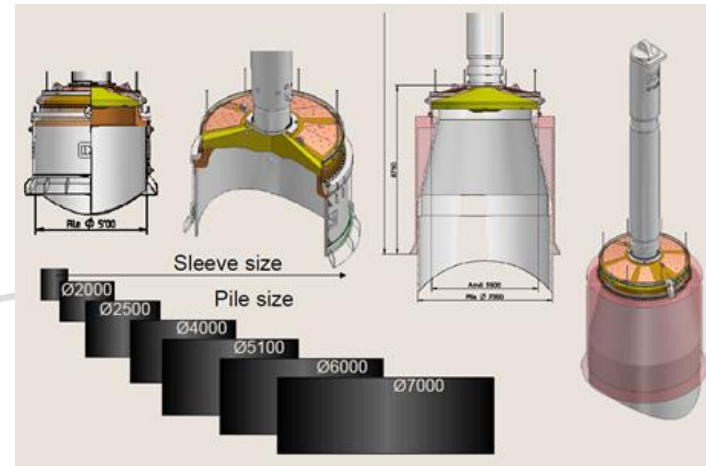
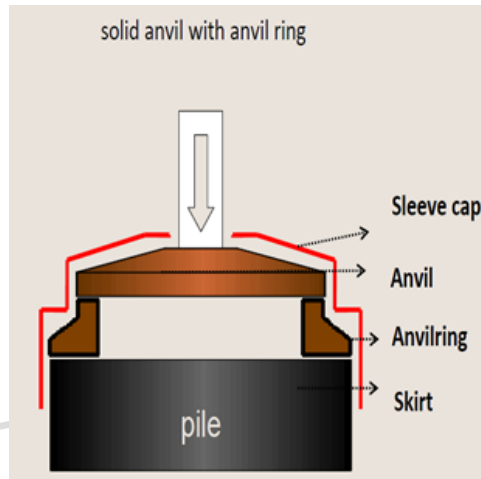
Floating Piles and Lifting Trunnions



Pile Driving

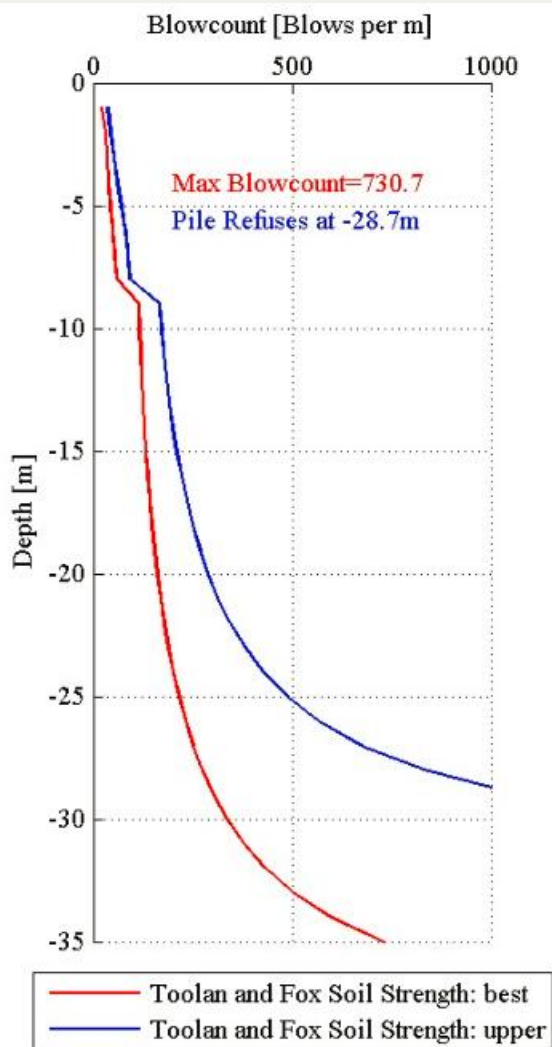
Development of Hydraulic Hammers:

Project	Hammer Energy
Horns Rev 1	600 kJ
Burbo Banks	800 kJ
Lynn & Inner Dowsing	1500 kJ
Lincs	1900 kJ
Coming projects	2000 - 3000 kJ



Pile Driving

Driveability analysis, refusal & drilling:



Noise & Environment

Challenges

- **Air-borne Noise:** Not an issue when far from shore
- **Underwater Noise:** Increasing issue



Underwater Noise

Strict Requirement for Noise Emissions in Germany:

Maximum Emission at 750m: 160 dB (SEL)
Noise Emission for monopile: ~ 180 dB (SEL)
Required noise reduction: ~ 20 dB (SEL)

Tough challenge!

- Noise mitigations must be employed
- Will increase cost and risk in a market committed to reduce the cost of energy!

- ❖ The Sound Exposure Level (SEL) sums the acoustic energy over a measurement period and is defined as:

$$SEL = 10 \log_{10} \left(\frac{\int_0^T p(t)^2 dt}{T_0 \cdot p_0^2} \right)$$

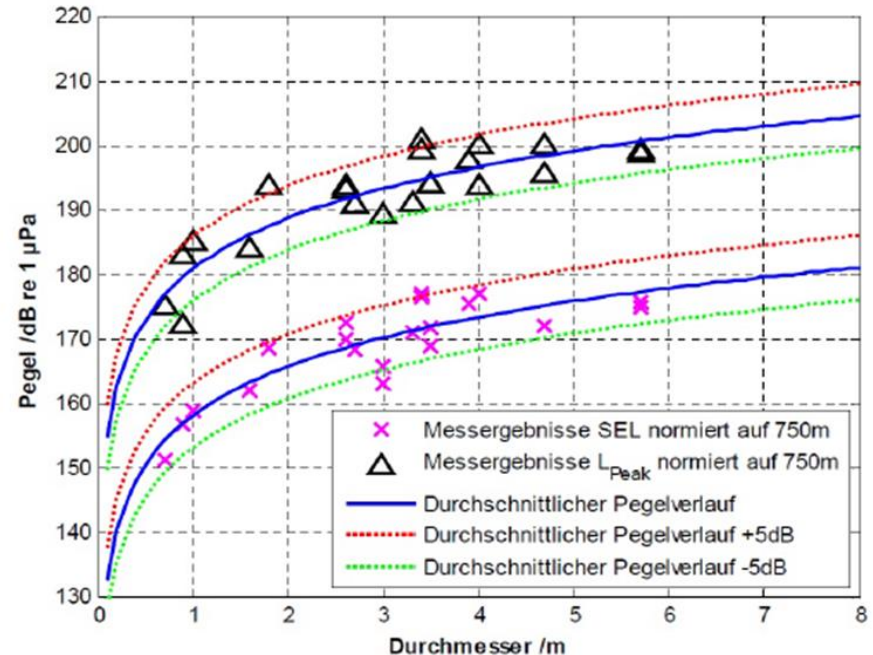


Fig. 3-1 Sound emission from piling increases with pile diameter (ITAP 2012).

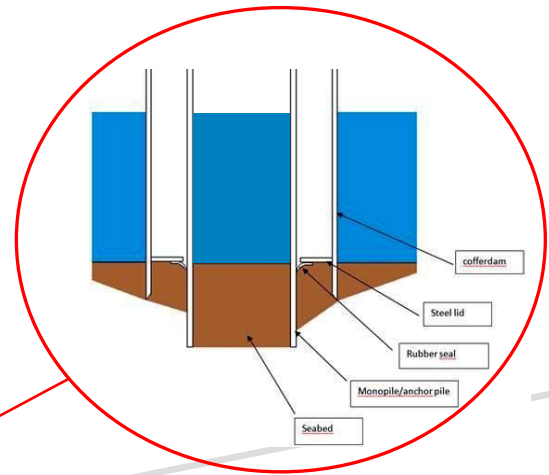
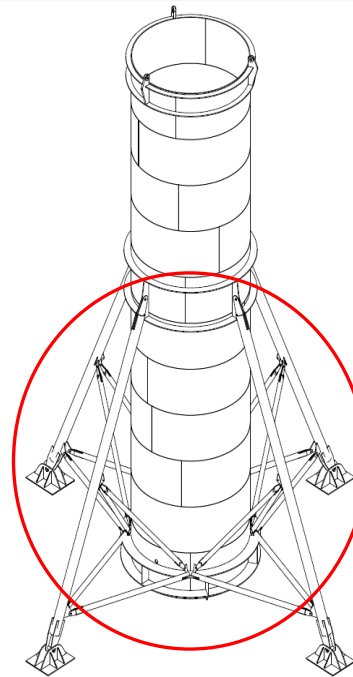
Noise Mitigations

Various suggested methods for Noise mitigation:

- Bubble Curtain
- Cofferdams
- Double walled noise mitigation shields
- ...and a lot more



Big bubble curtain



Cofferdam from Lo-Noise

Noise Mitigation

DONG Energy is committed to mature solutions by:

1. Co-operating with expert companies on development of solutions
2. Developing own DONG Energy solutions for detailed design (such as idea for selfstanding Noise mitigation shield or cofferdam supported by suction buckets)



Noise Mitigation System NMS-6900 Riffgat

Basic principle

Creating barriers with different medium & materials

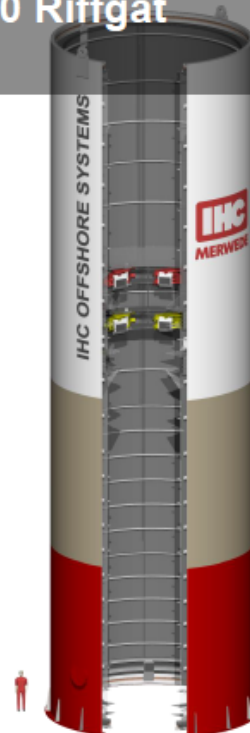
- Outer screen
- Air gap between inner/outer screen
- Inner screen
- Bubble screen

Extra features

- Multi level bubble injection system
- Multi size bubble injection
- Isolated inner & outer screen

Pile guiding

- Upper guiding
- Lower guiding



Dong idea: Selfstanding pileripper with suction buckets and integrated noise reduction shield or cofferdam

Appr. dimensions:

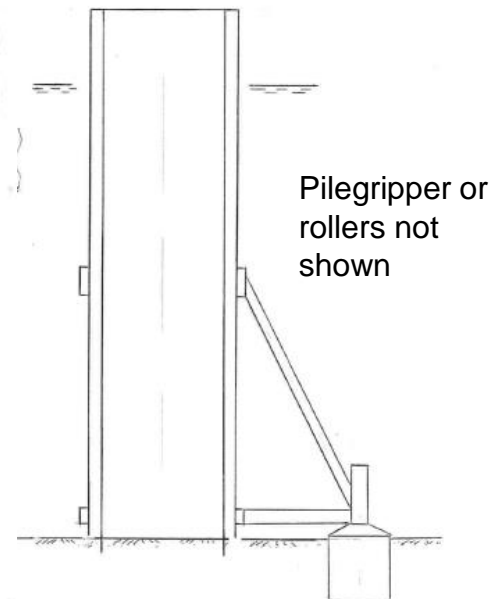
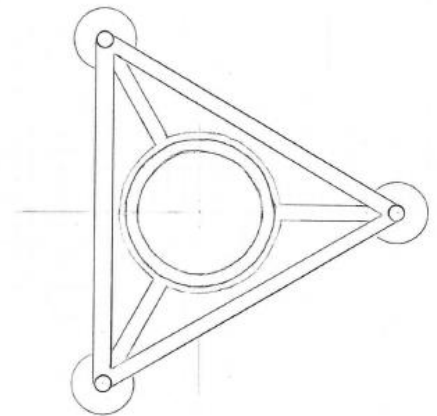
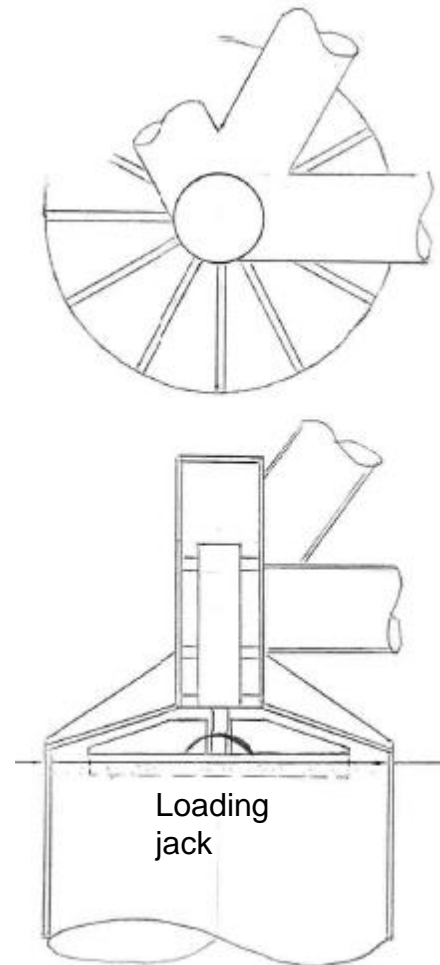
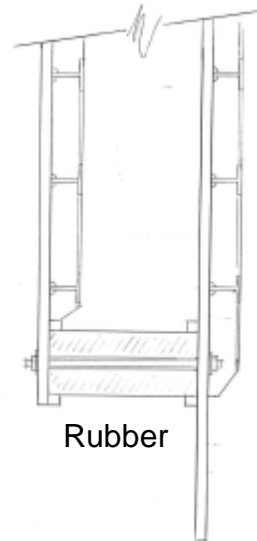
- water depth 30m (+0,0)
- height shield 35m (top +5,0)
- outside footprint 25m
- bucket: OD 4m x 5m
- monopile: OD 8m
- screen: ID 9m
- screen: OD 10,6m (double wall 800mm)

Weights & boyancy

- dry weight: ~ 900 tons
- boyancy ~ 700 tons
- positive weight (after boyancy) ~ 200 tons

Additional cycletime:

- lift to seabed: 1 hr
- suction 2 hr
- extract 2 hr
- lift to deck 1 hr
- total: 6 hr
- total + wow 12 hours

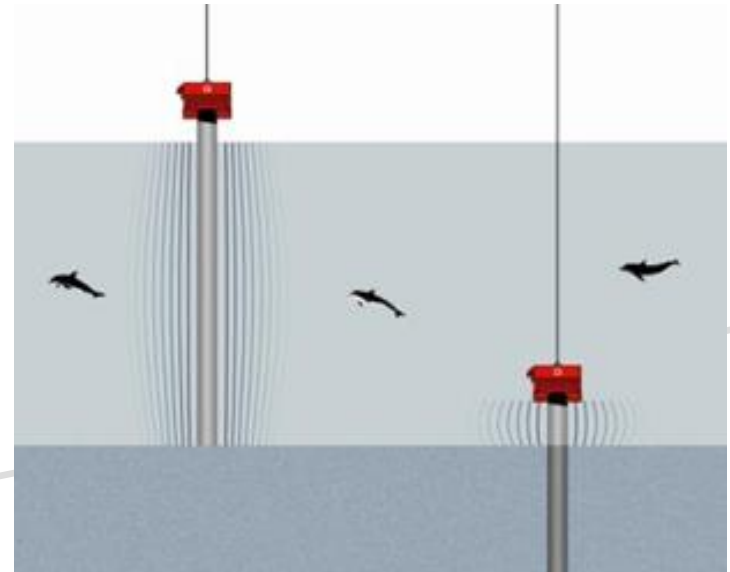
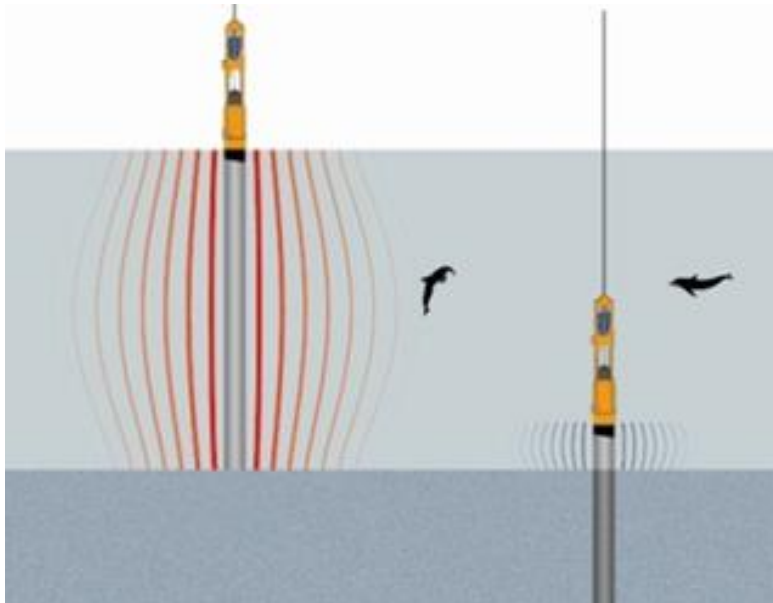


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Alternative Pile Installation Methods

Use of vibrators:

- Standard pile driving with hammer
- Vibration alone

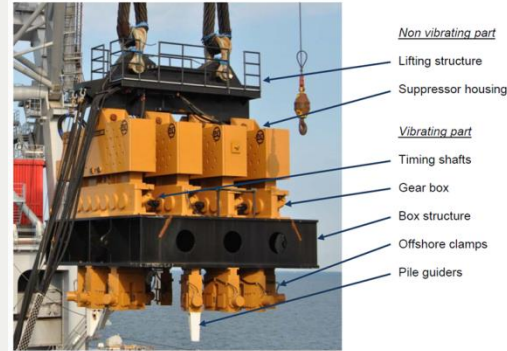


Alternative Pile Installation Methods

Vibrating equipment available in market

Still need to clarify on geotechnical issues:

- Prediction on "driveability"
- Vertical bearing capacity
- Lateral bearing capacity (p-y curves)



Vibration test at Anholt:

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