

DecomTools: Eco-innovative concepts for the end of offshore wind energy farms lifecycle

- End-of-Life Planning of OWTs – a logistical
perspective -

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Introduction

- „2 decommissioning cycles“
 - 1st Cycle: Already ongoing, with a relatively low volume of OWTs → „Test case“ for decommissioning strategies and methods
 - 2nd Cycle: Expected to begin ~2030 corresponds to large volumes in the NSR
 - Requirements: Fully developed solutions and decommissioning strategies

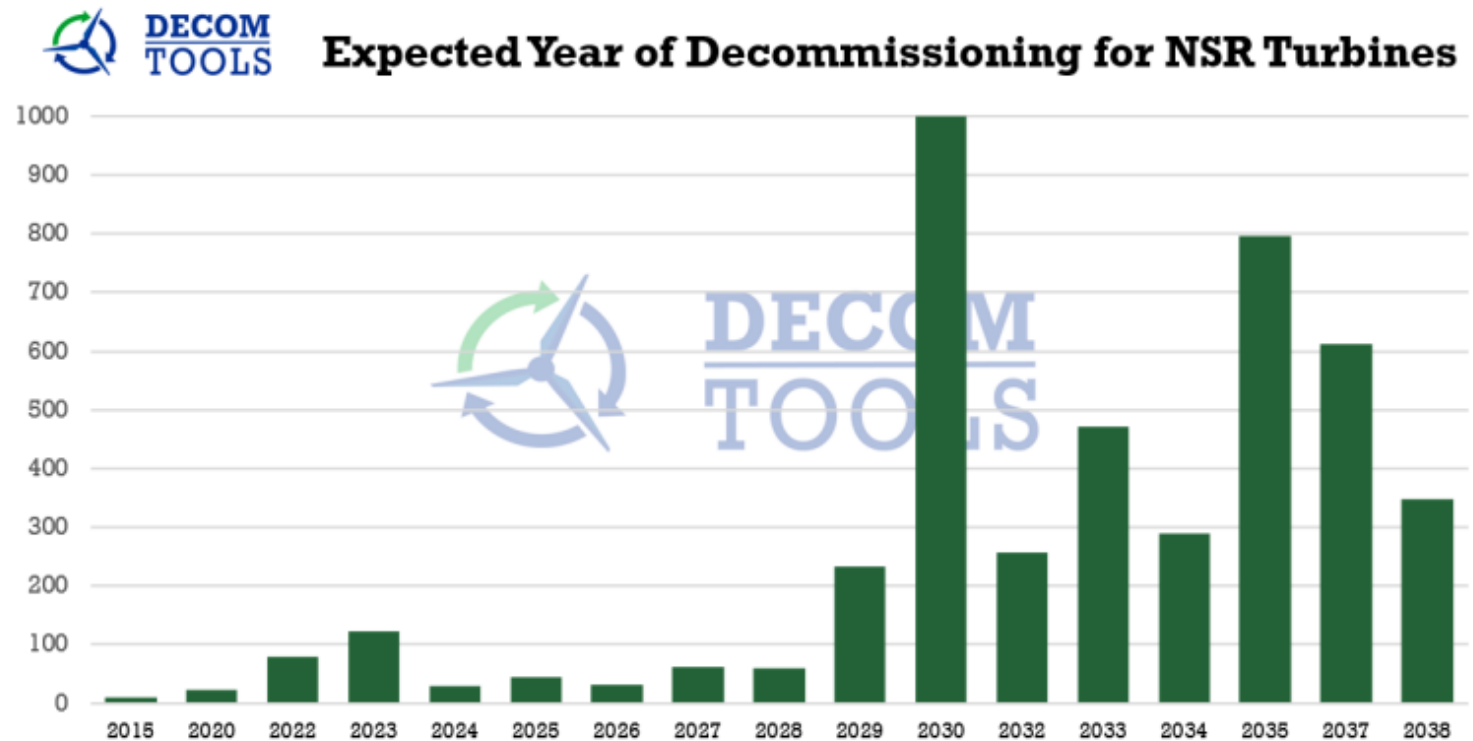
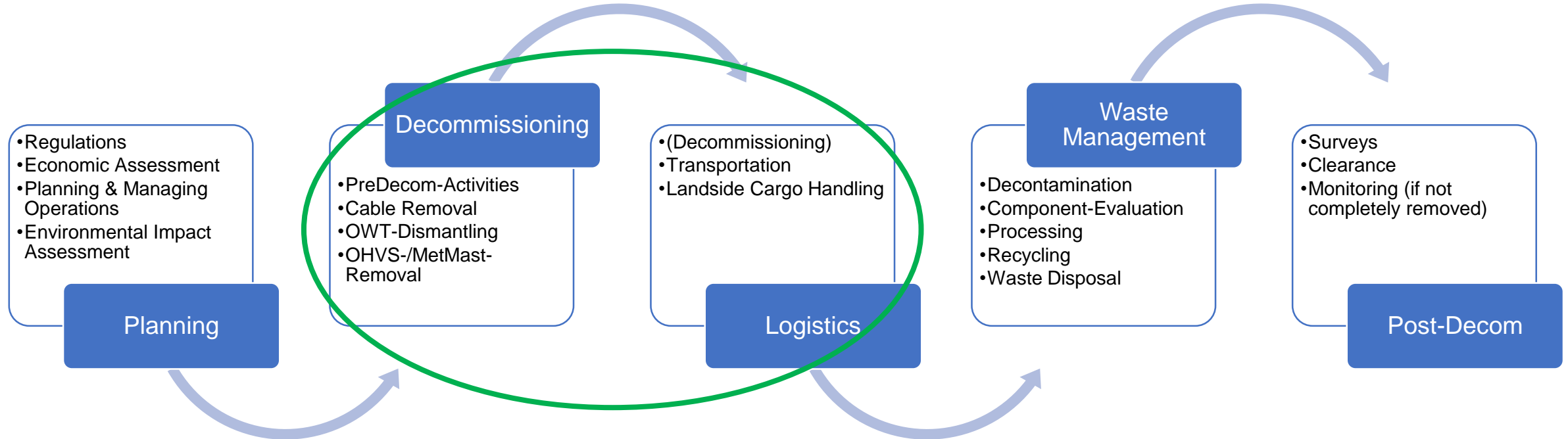


Figure 1: Expected Year of Decommissioning for Offshore Wind Turbines in the NSR

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“Decommissioning Process”



Uncertainties along the entire Supply Chain

Regulations

- Ambiguity of legislative conditions

Technology

- Decommissioning Techniques and Equipment

Processes

- Procedural uncertainties

Recycling

- Especially for blades

Reusability

- Which components and materials can be re-used and sold?

Finances

- Sufficient budgets for decommissioning?

Timing

- What/When is the right timing for decommissioning?

Vessel Availability

- Will there be enough sufficient vessels to do the decommissioning?

Environmental Impacts

- Legislations
- Impacts
- ...

Ports

- Crucial hubs (Operational, Distributional, Processing, Storing, Recycling,)

Weather

- Wind
- Seastate

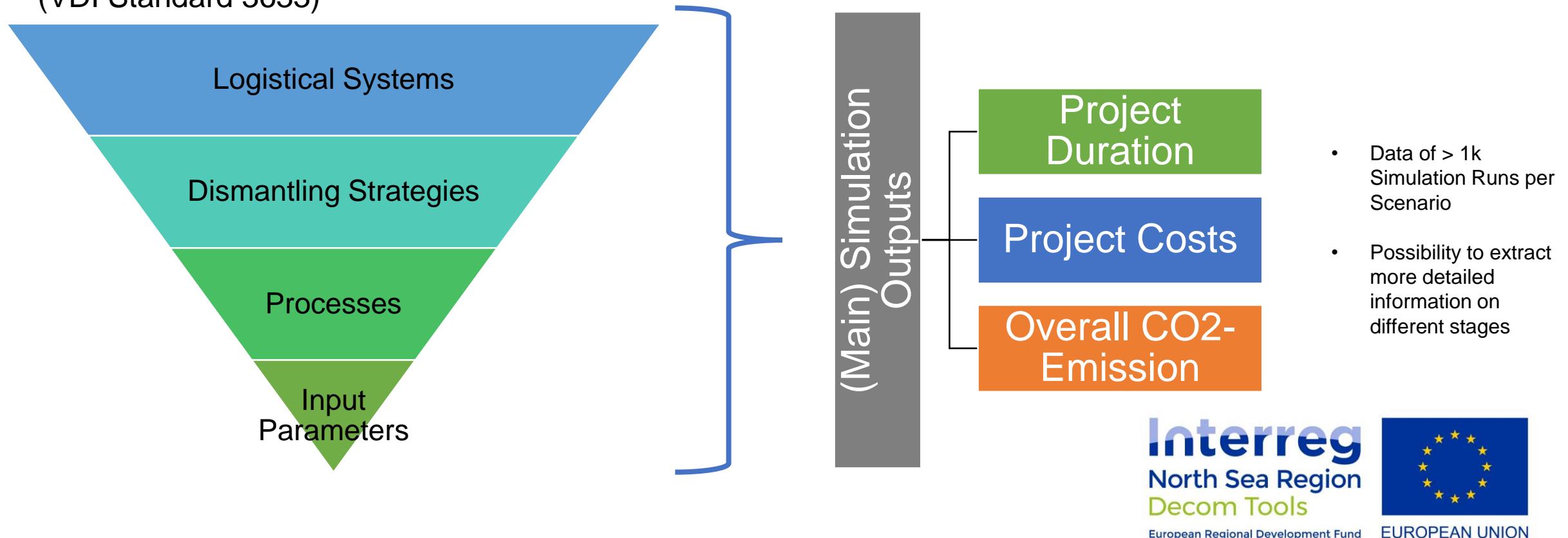
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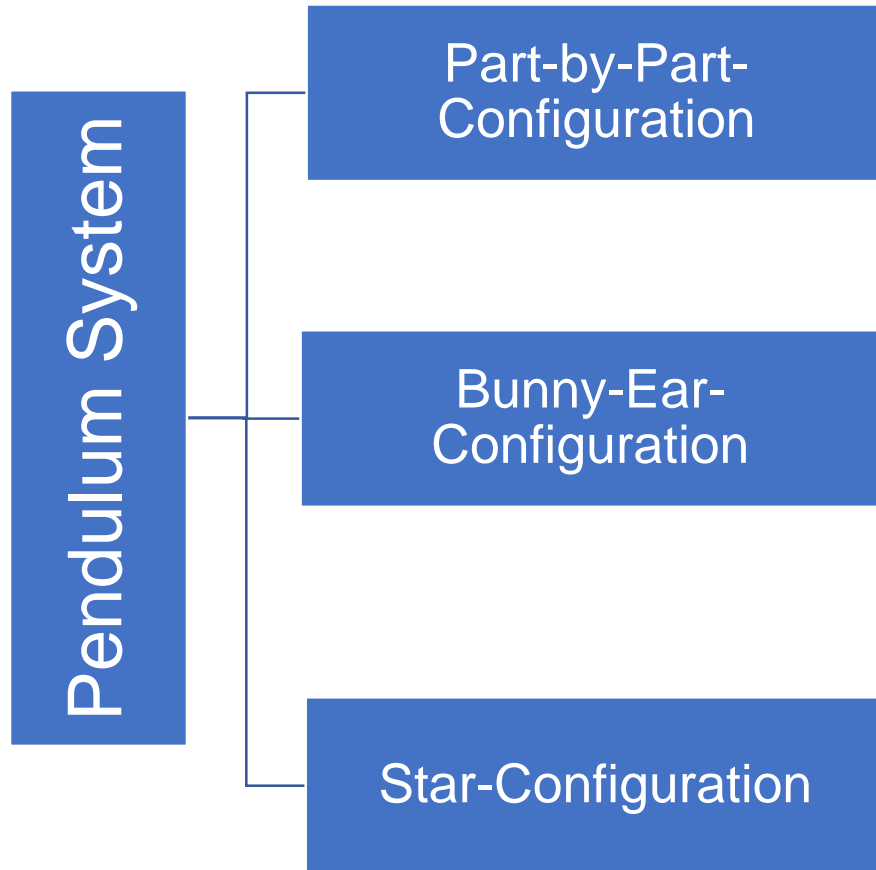
Logistical Simulation

Simulation is a method of replicating a real system with all dynamic processes in a model that can be experimented with, in order to derive findings that can be applied to reality.

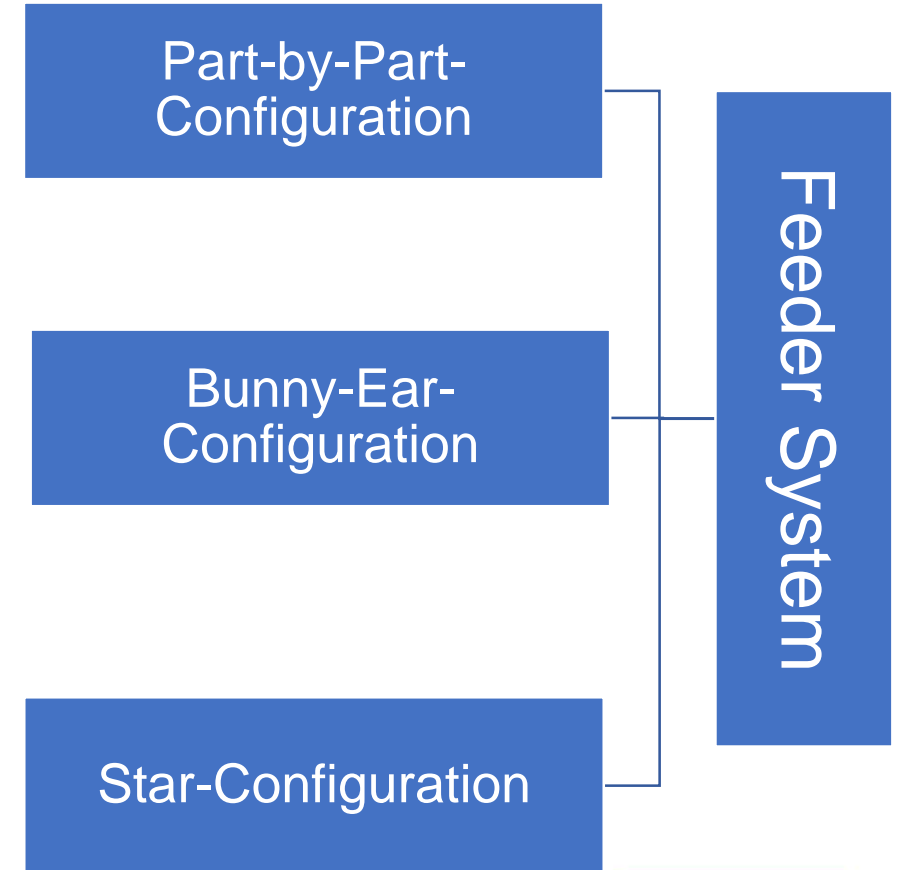
- (VDI Standard 3633)



WTIV shuttles between OWF & Port

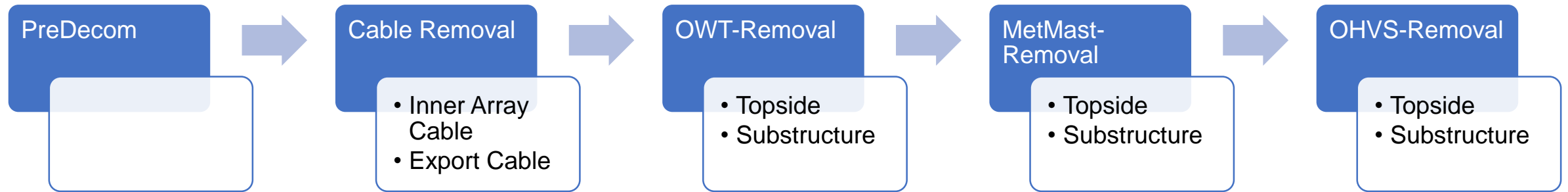


WTIV remains at site while FV shuttle between OWF & Port

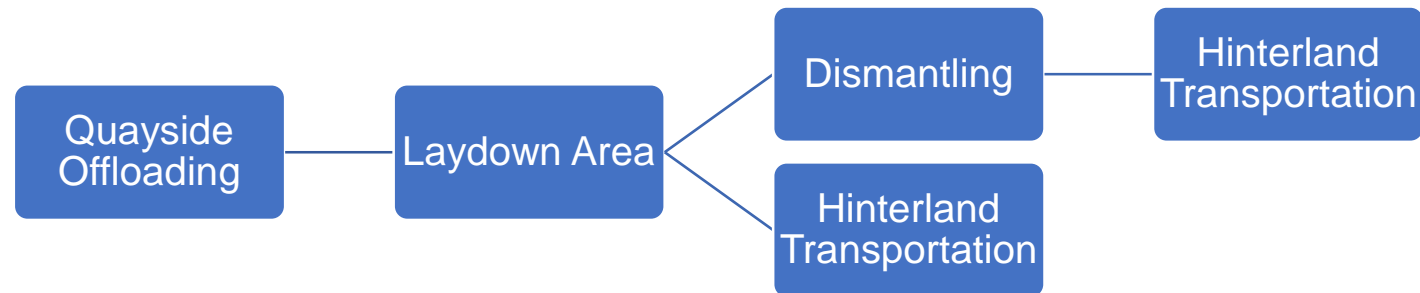


Process Overview

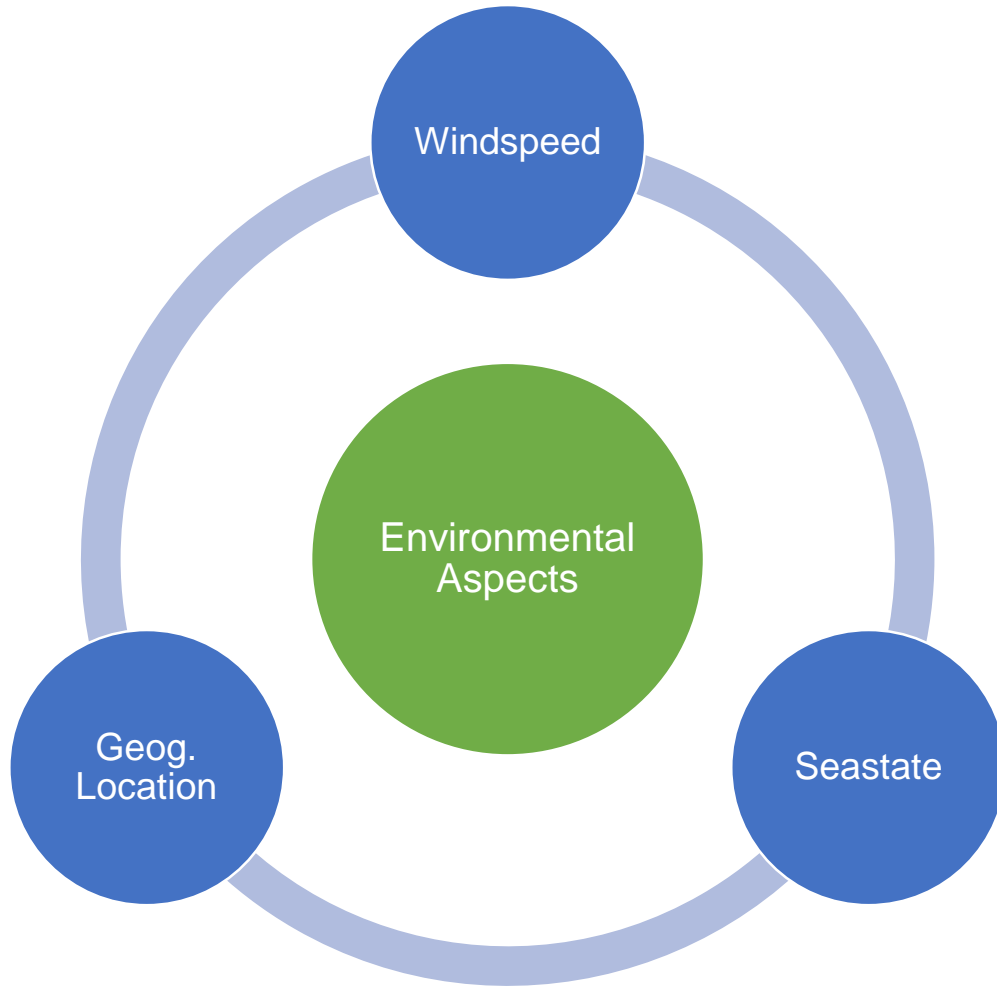
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Environmental Aspects and Simulation Parameters



Parameters to consider:

- Amount of OWT
- Dismantling Strategy
- Dismantling Process Times
- Available Vessel types and –characteristics in different stages
- Ports and their capacities
- Component-Handling
- Onshore Supplychain
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Basestudy:

- 80 OWT
- 1x MetMast
- 1x OHVS
- HR1-Location: ~20km of the Danish coast

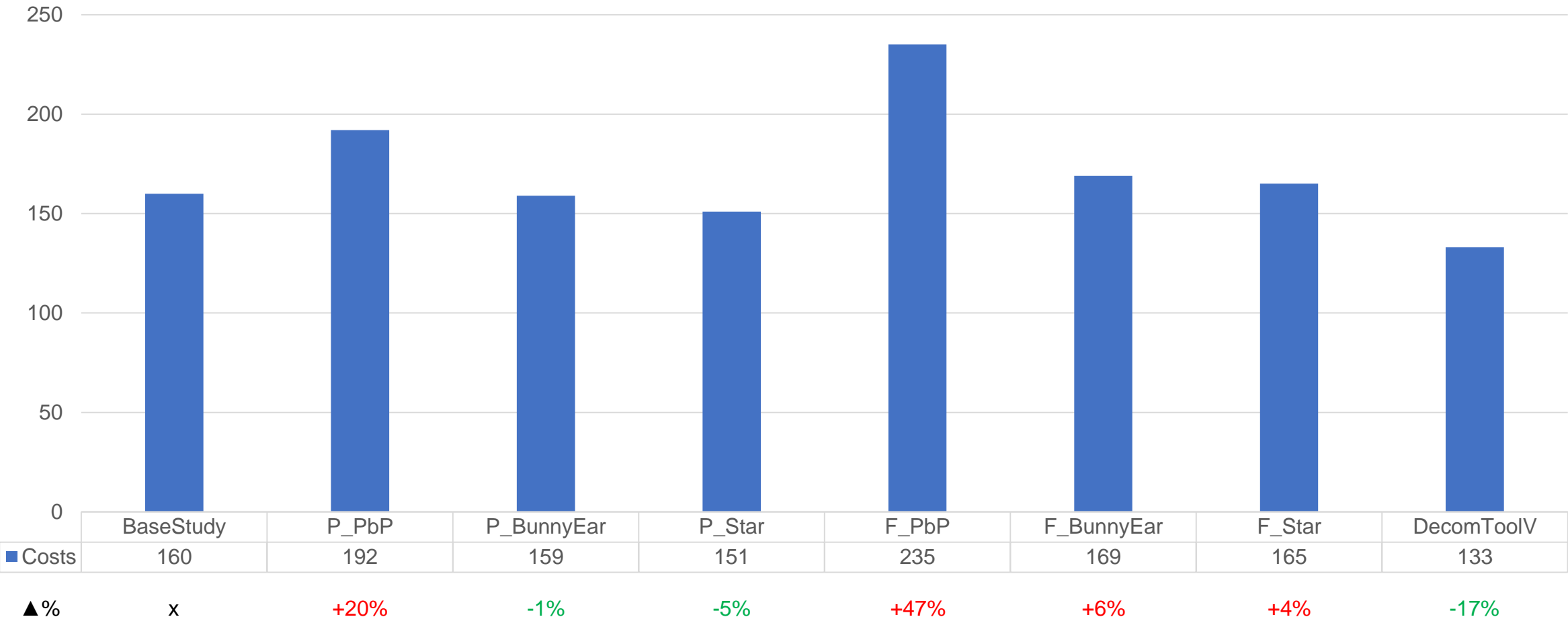
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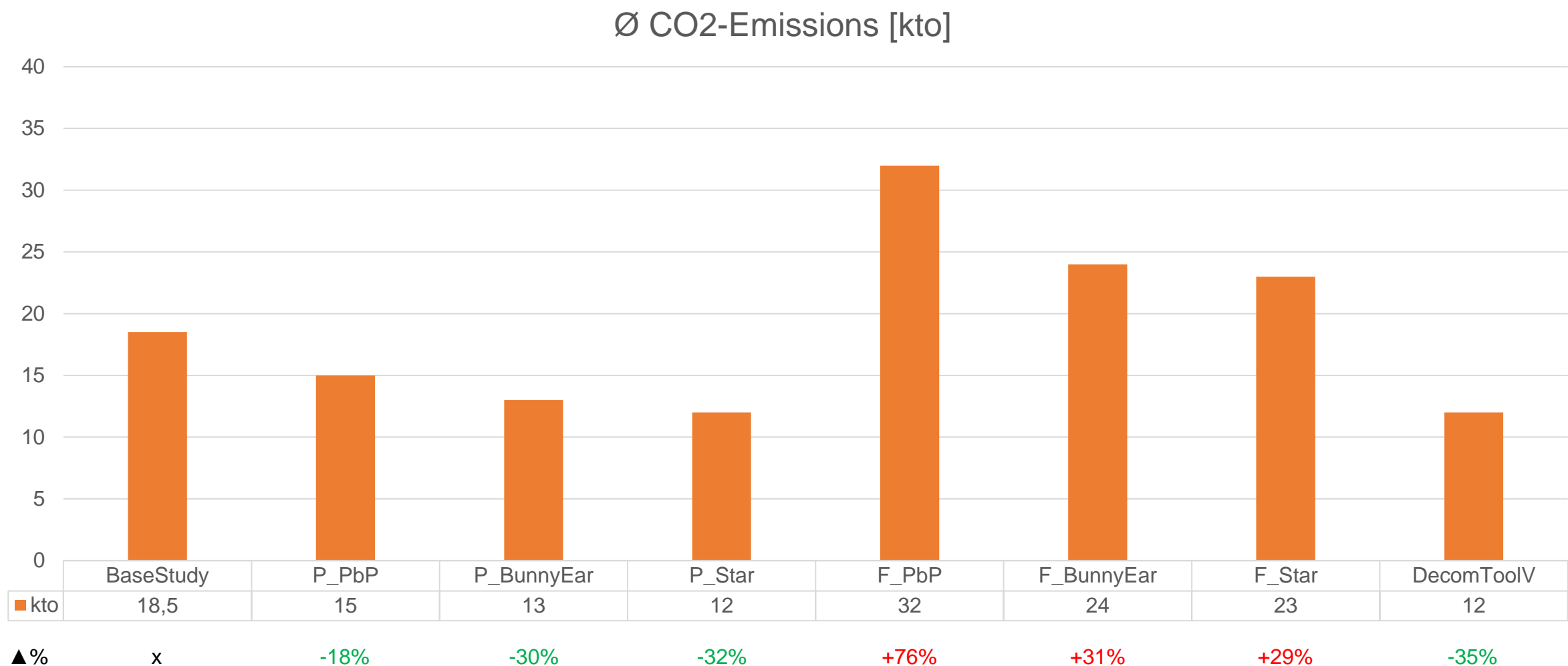


Simulation Outputs – Offshore – Ø Costs

Ø Costs [Mio. €]

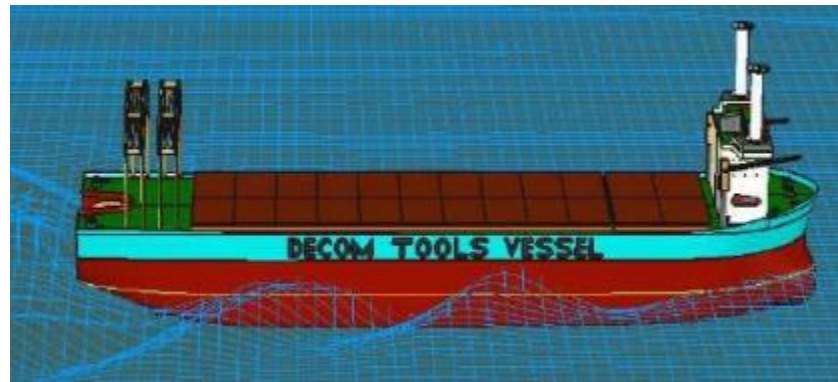
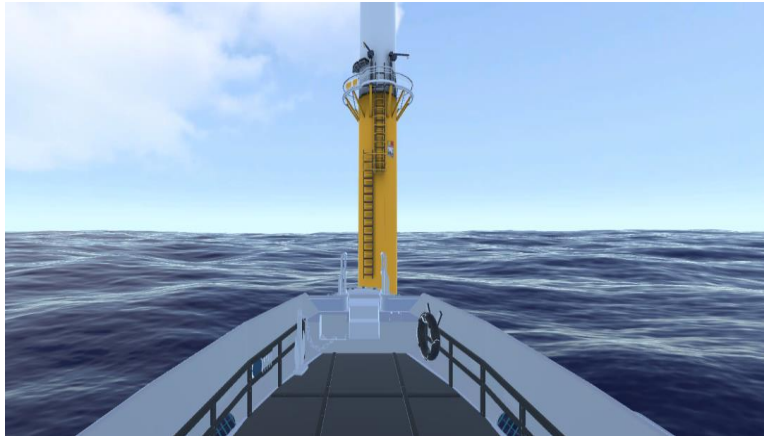
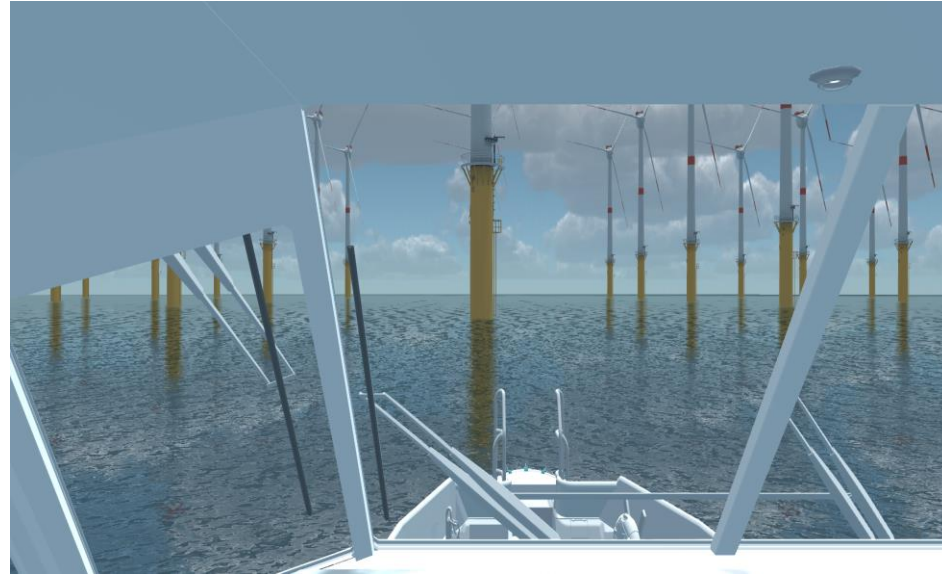
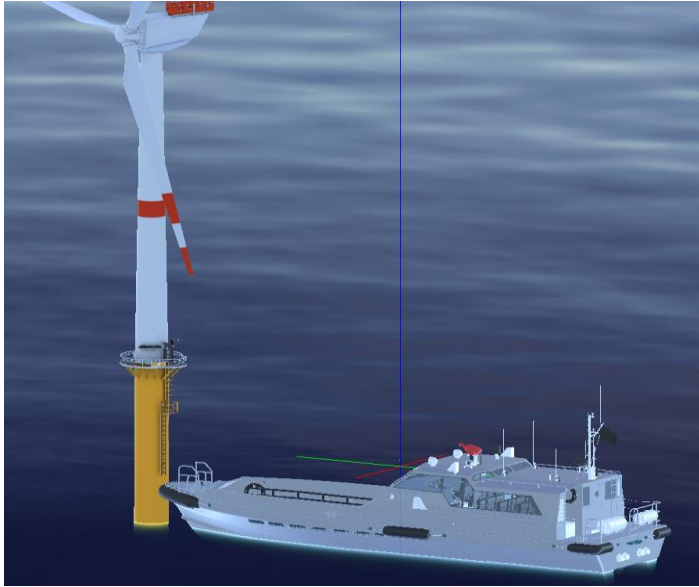


Simulation Outputs – Offshore – Ø CO2-Emissions



- Logistical Simulations can give a good overview about the supply chain or logistics strategy and may even offer new perspectives
 - The base of data is crucial! → „The more realistic the data basis, the more realistic are the results”
- Nearly Impossible to create „one solution fitting all”
 - Appropriate Logistic arrangements are essential!

Want more? ;-)





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