

# Performance of Fixed-wing GG AWES: A Sensitivity Study

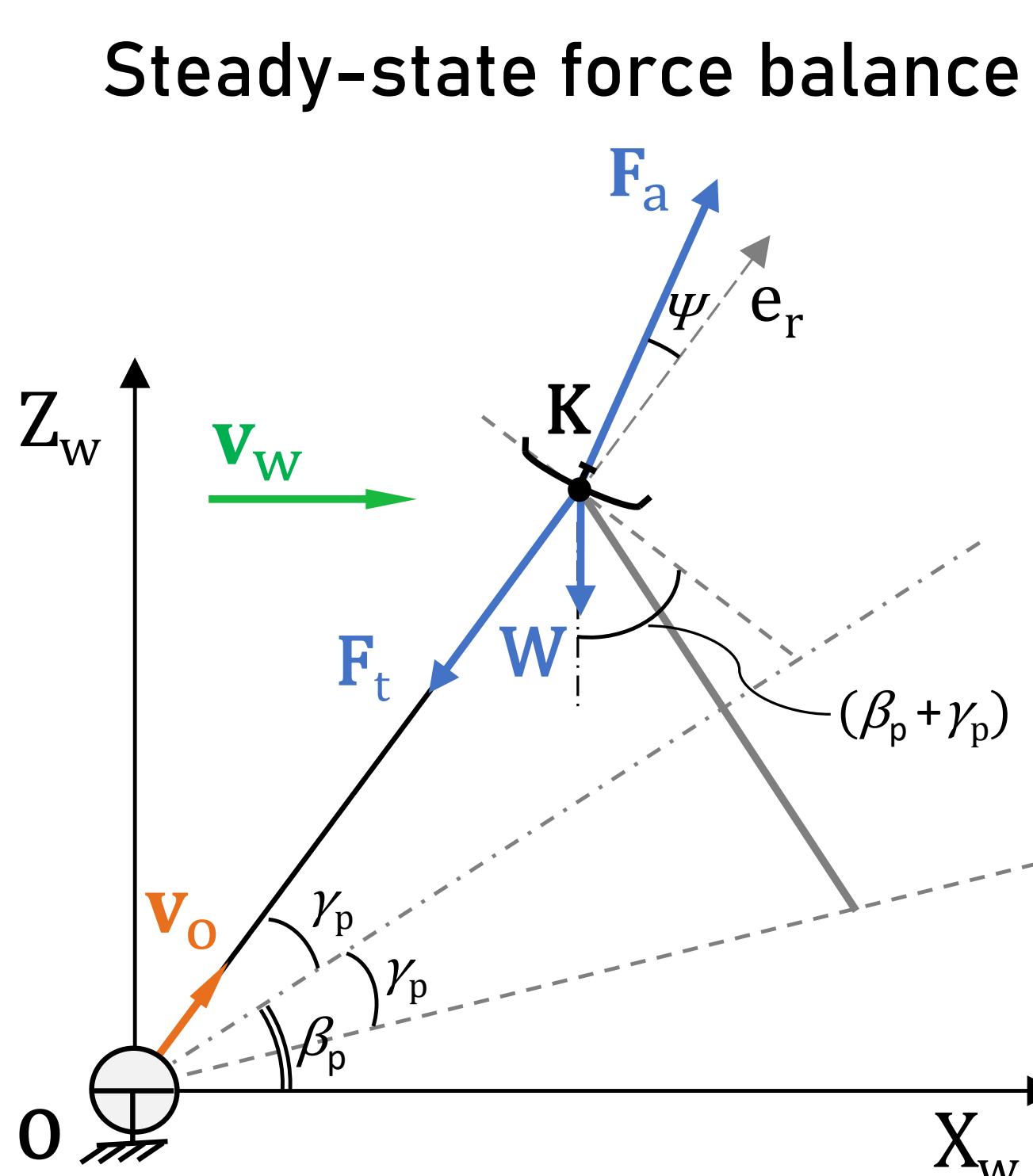
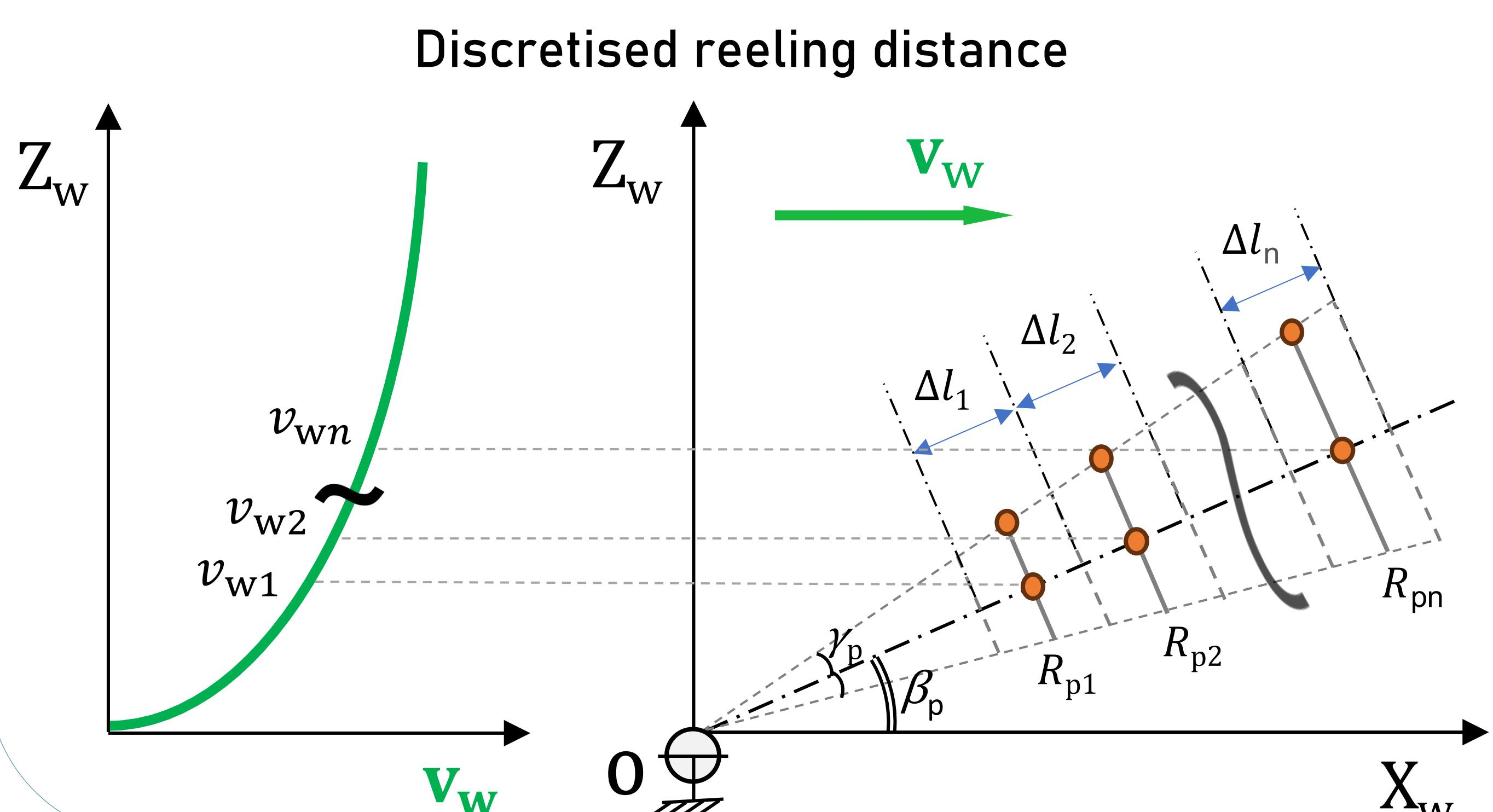
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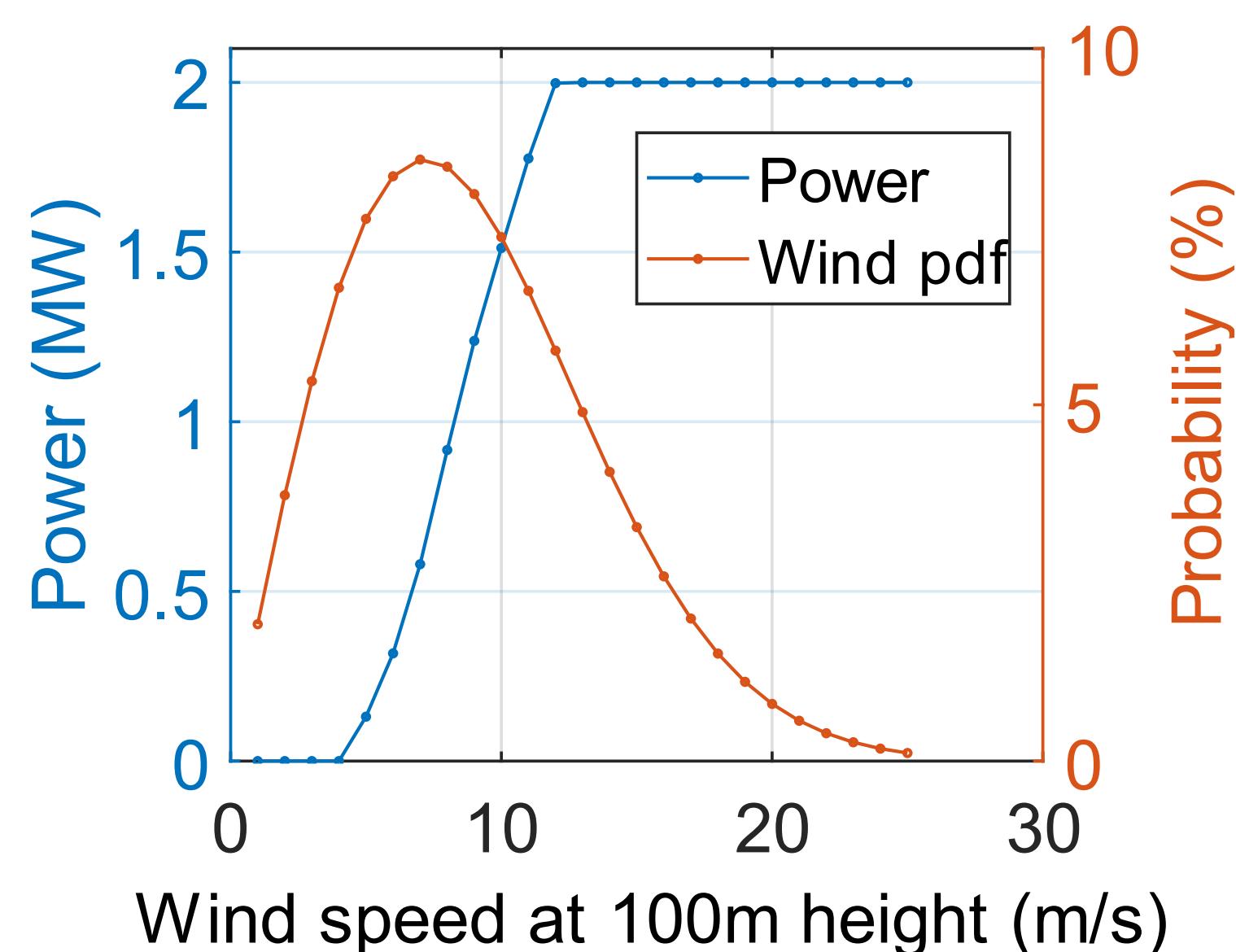
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## Power Computation Model: Quasi-steady



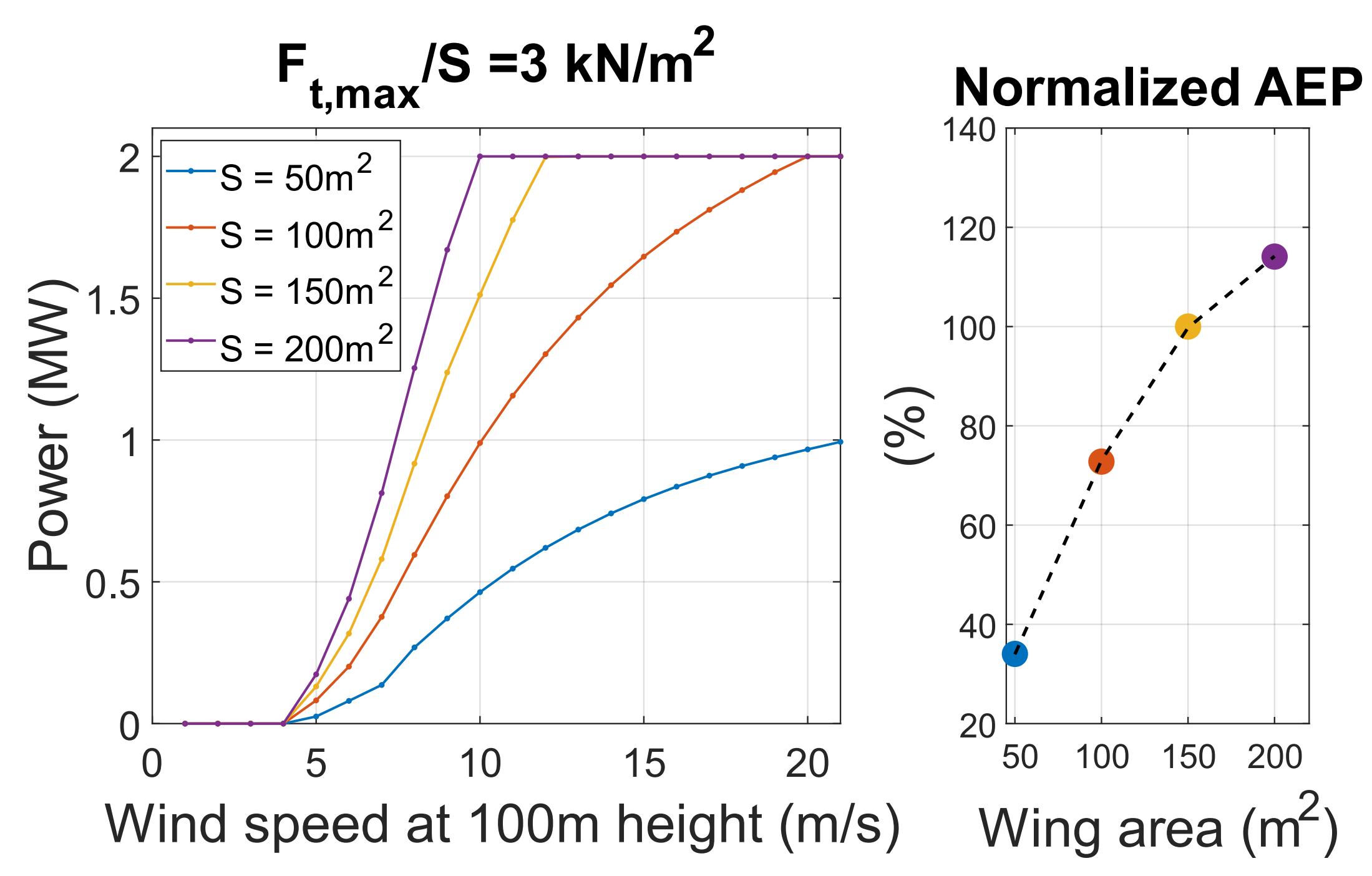
- Cycle power optimisation
- Kite mass scaling
- Effect of (kite+tether) weight
- Cost model integration

## Baseline system



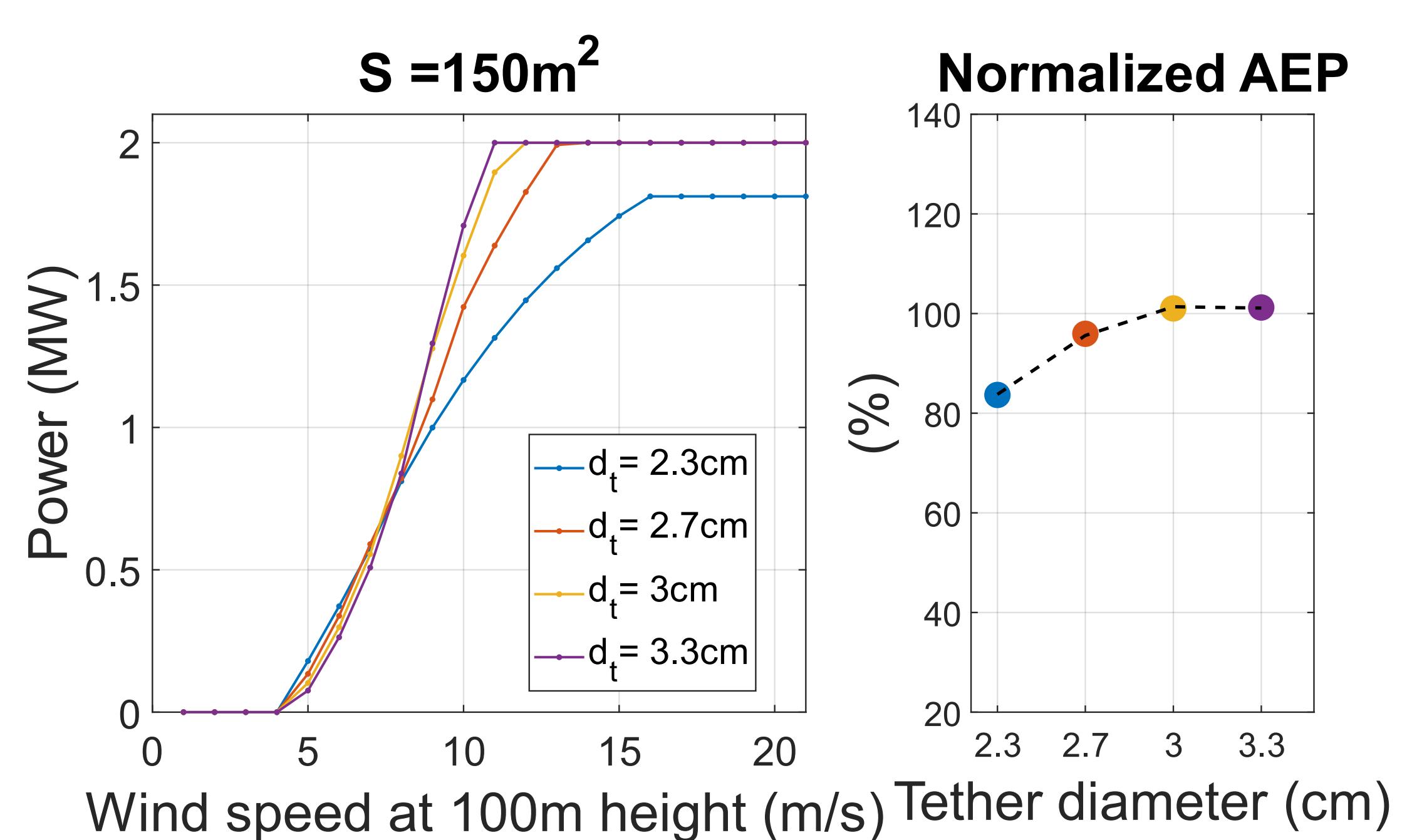
Parameter	Value
Wing area	150 m <sup>2</sup>
Kite mass	9,250 kg
Tether mass	1,500 kg
Tether diameter	2.9 cm
$C_{L,\max}$	2.5
Tether drag coeff.	1
Generator size	4 MW
AEP	9 GWh
Mean wind speed	9 m/s
Wind shear coeff.	0.143

## Wing area sensitivity



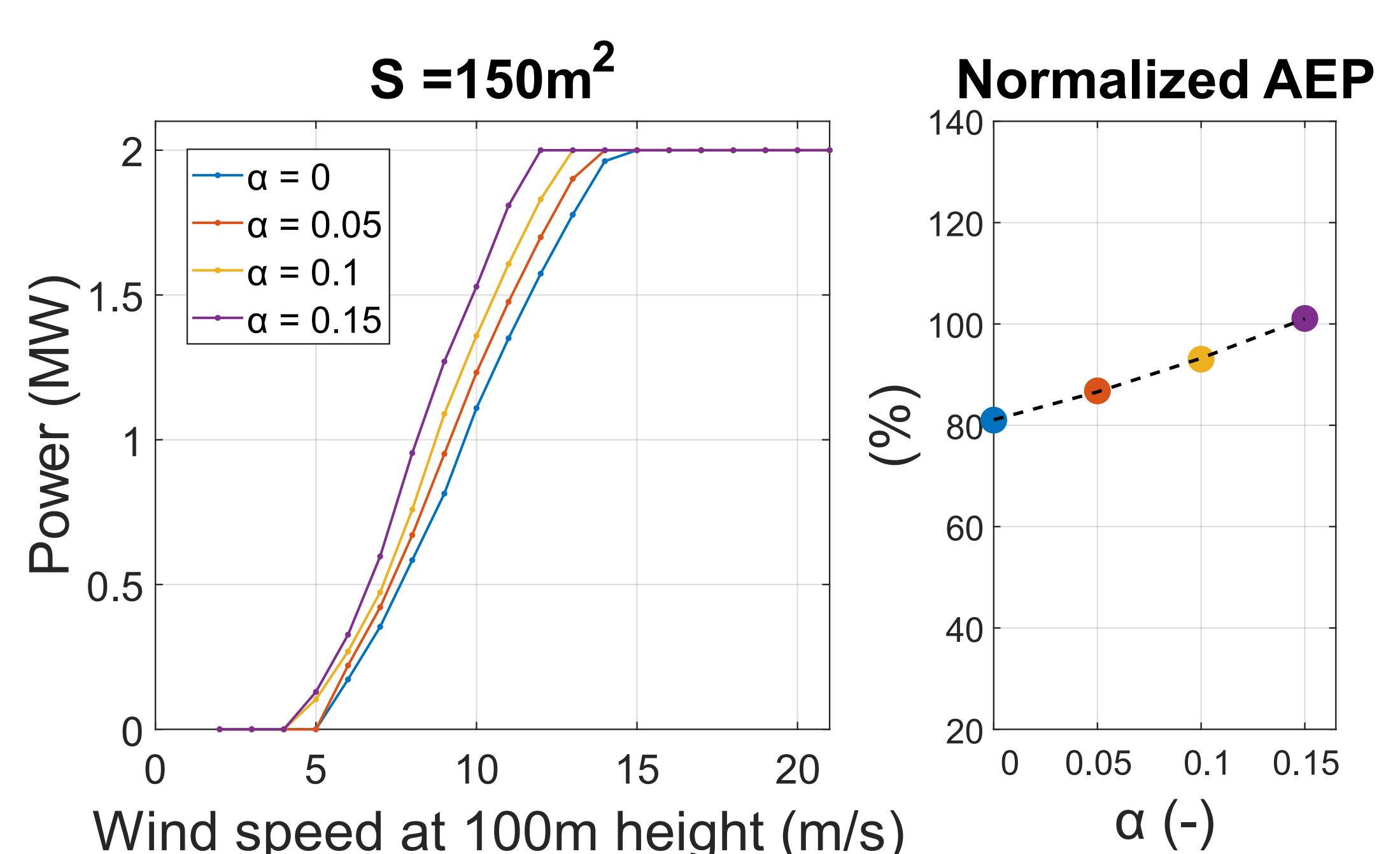
High sensitivity

## Tether diameter sensitivity



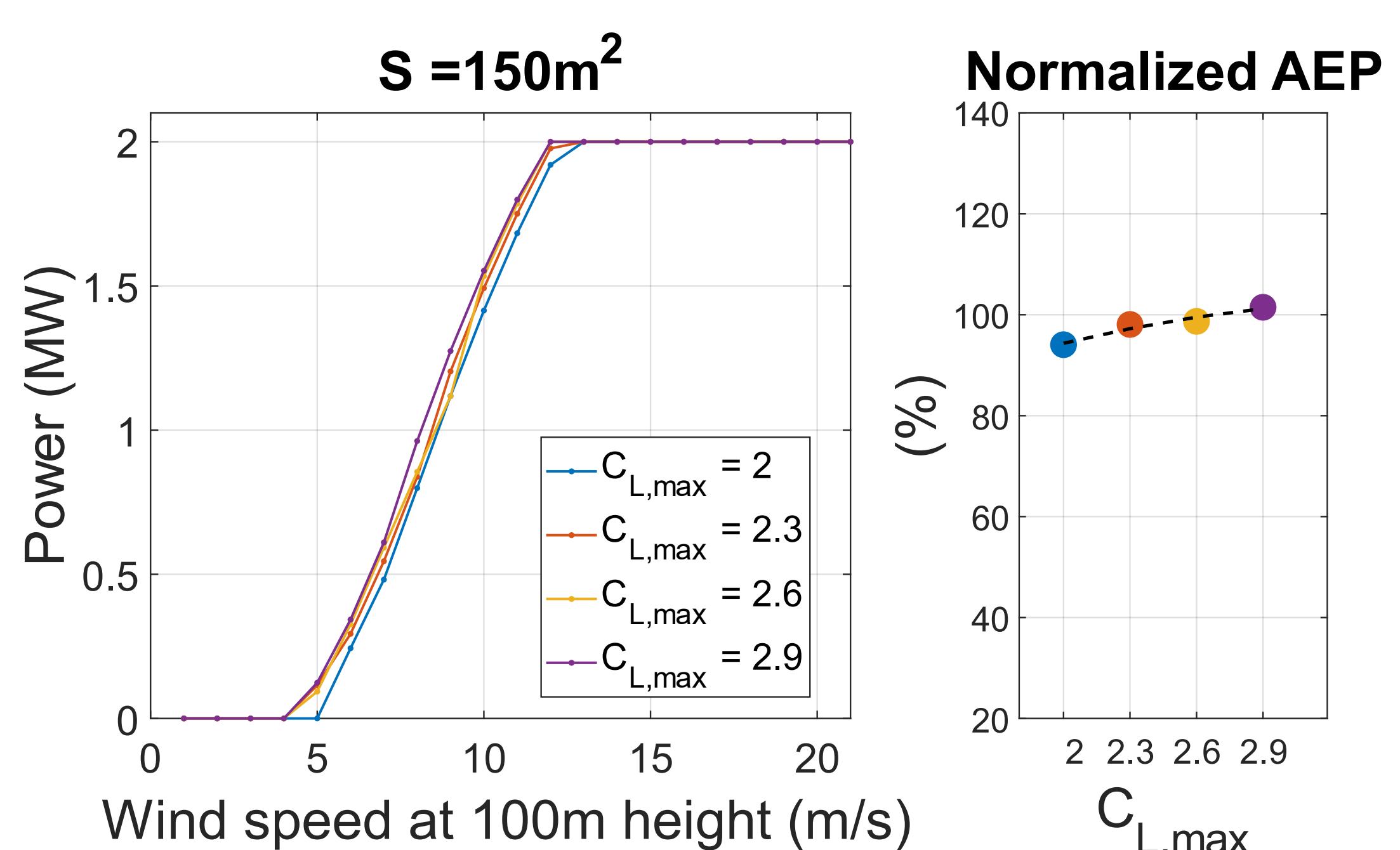
Moderate sensitivity

## Wind shear coefficient sensitivity



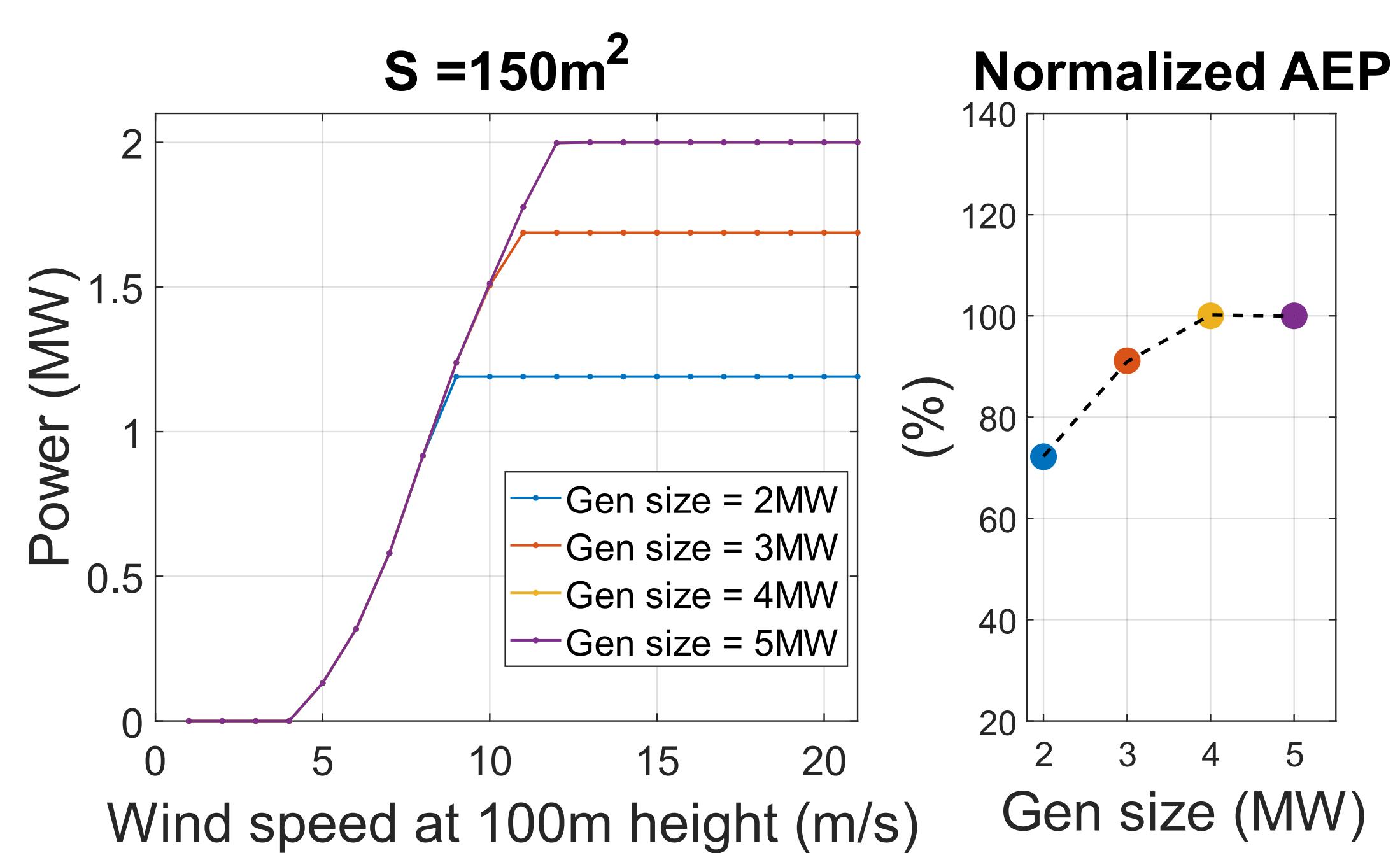
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## $C_{L,\max}$ sensitivity



Low sensitivity

## Generator size sensitivity



High sensitivity

## Conclusion & Next steps

Along with performance drivers, the design choices will be significantly driven by the cost penalty associated with all the above parameters.