

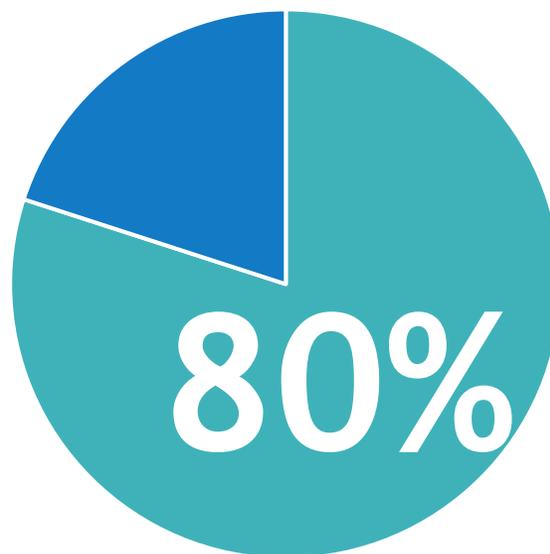
The impact of additional weather limitations on weather windows for floating offshore wind

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Floating Wind Overview

At present, fixed offshore wind sites are limited to **~50m water depth**



of all the offshore wind resource is located in waters 60 m and deeper in European seas

14 GW of floating wind installed or in construction by 2030



Wind Europe, "Floating Offshore Vision Statement", 2017

O&M Challenges



Harsher conditions and increased distance means weather windows are more critical



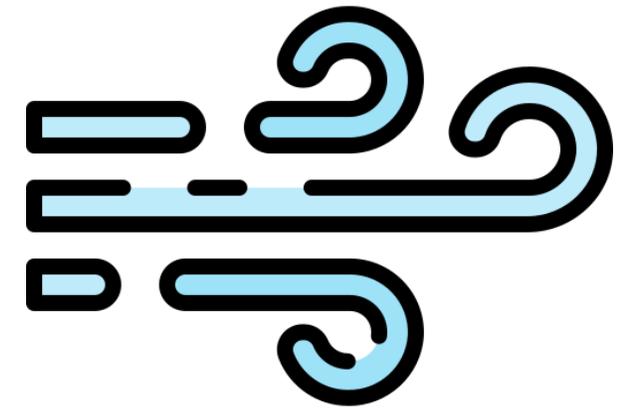
LCOE - Levelised Cost of Energy

Fixed Bottom Offshore Wind Limitations



Significant Wave Height

H_s

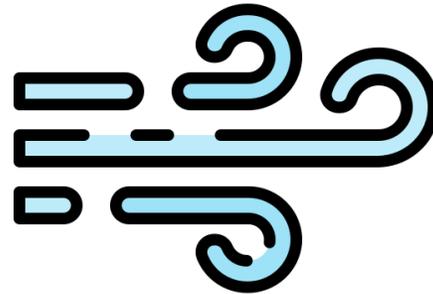


Wind Speed

Floating Wind Limitations



H_s



Wind Speed

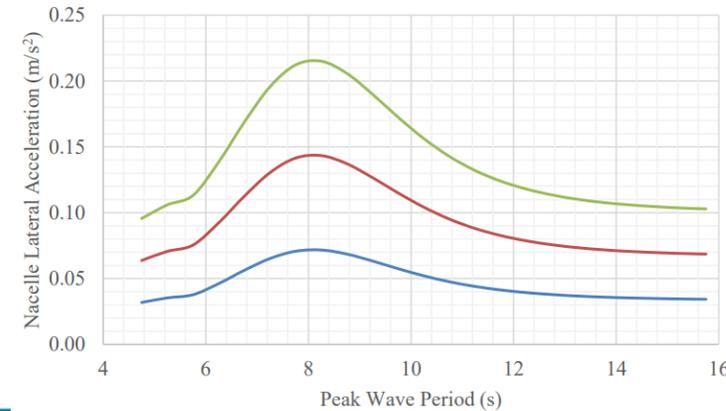
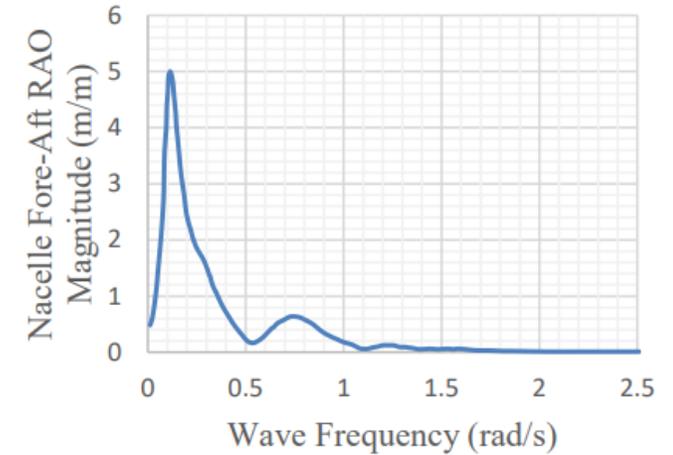
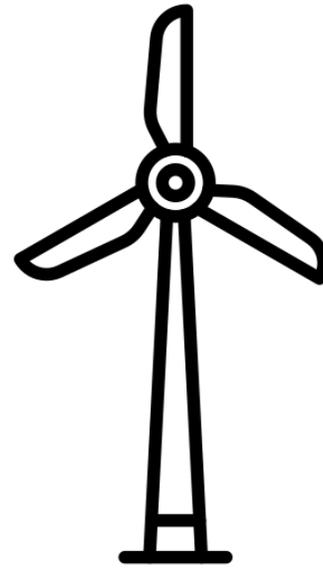


Workability

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Peak Wave Period
(T_p)



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Workability



Eliminate motion induced sickness in technicians

$$WI = \frac{\textit{Workable Time}}{\textit{Total Duration}}$$



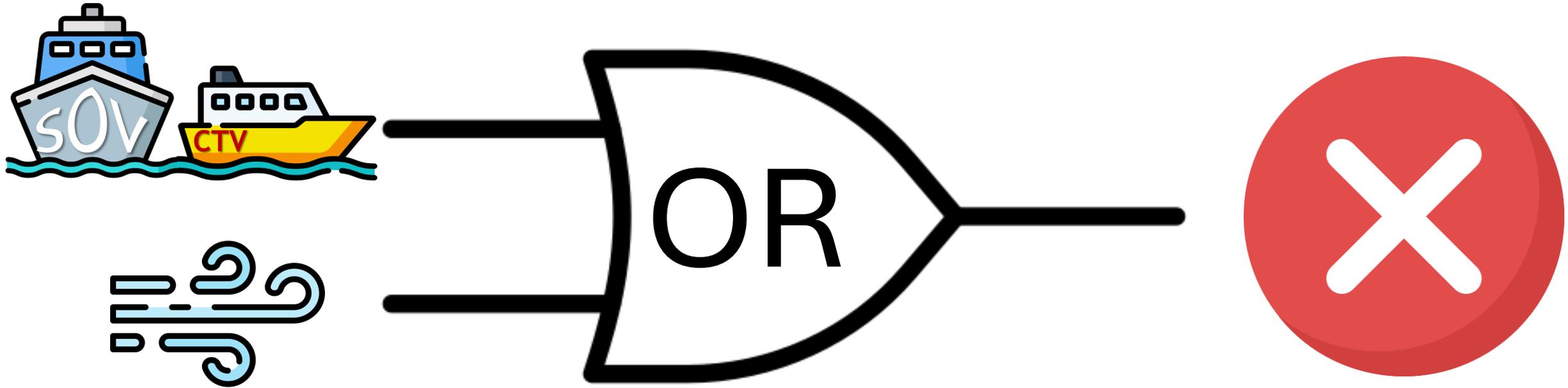
Workability vs Accessibility - “Design D”

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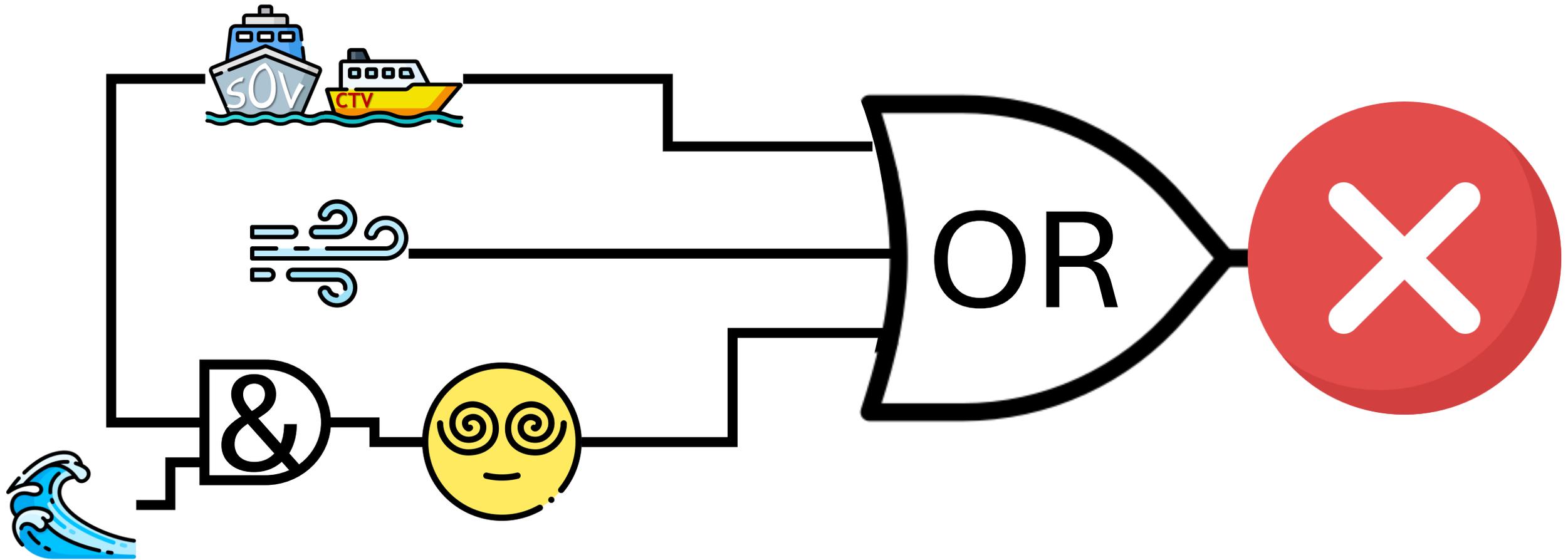
SOV Limitations

WI Limitations

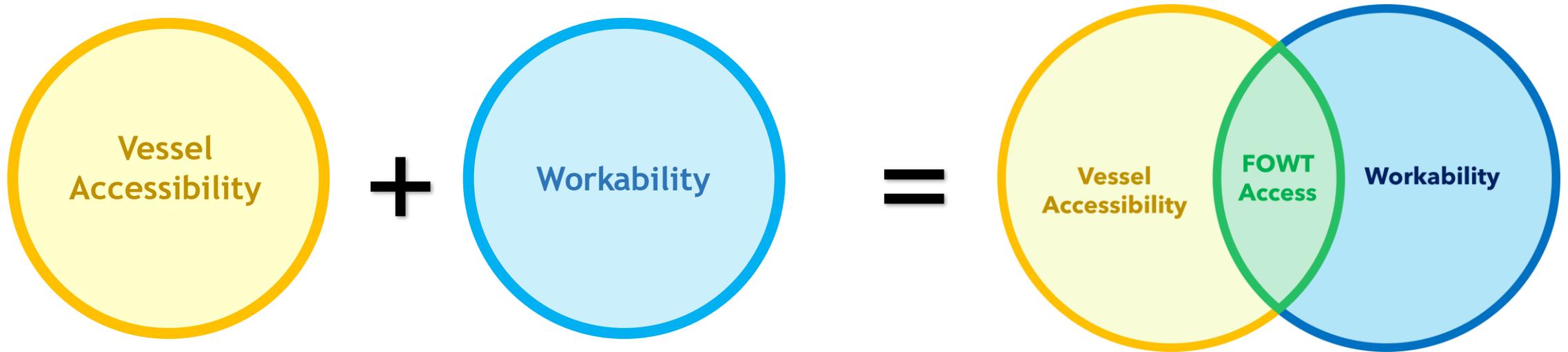
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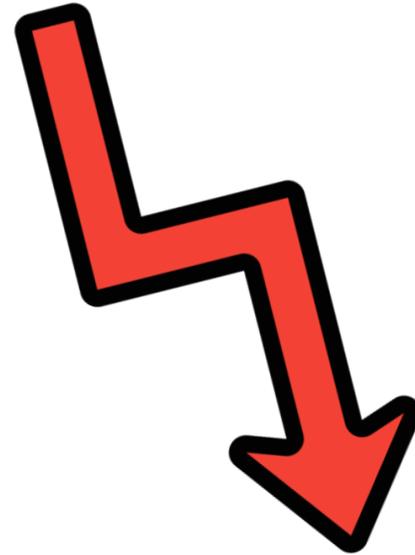
Access Limitations + Workability



Workability vs Accessibility



Impact



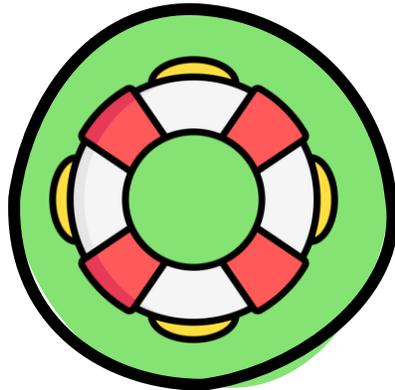
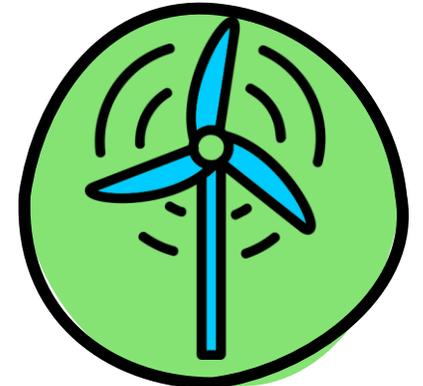


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WHAT?

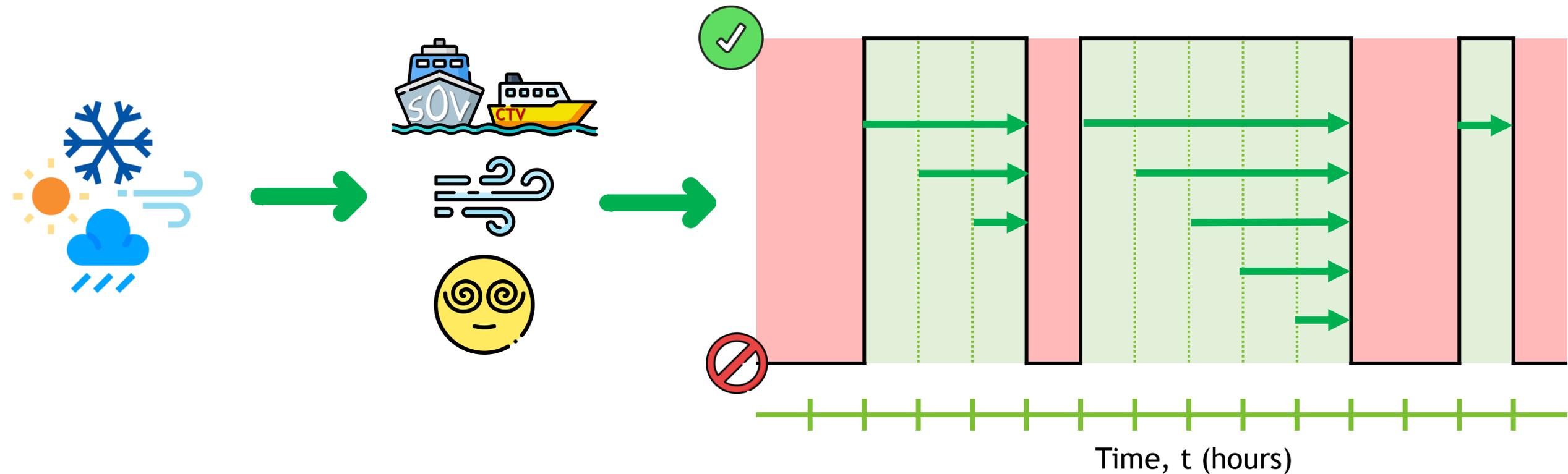
Case Study



RAMBOLL

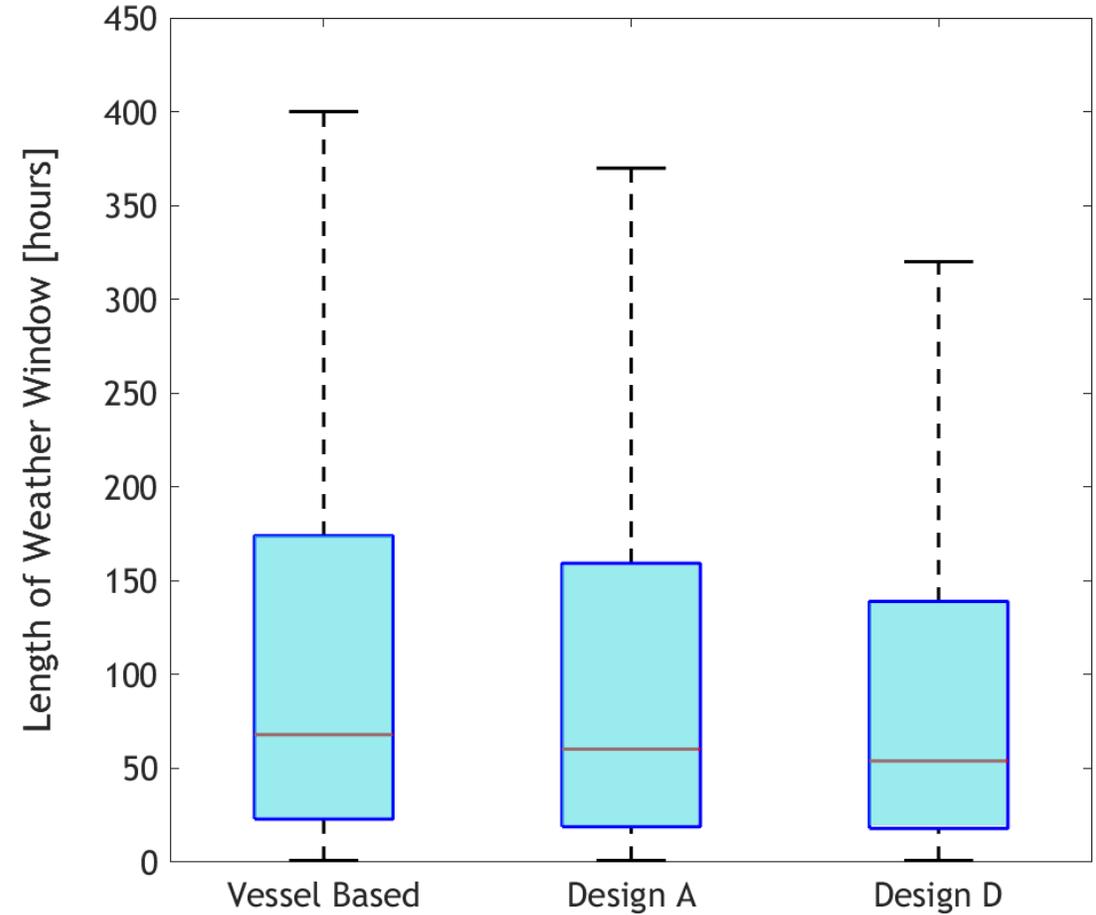
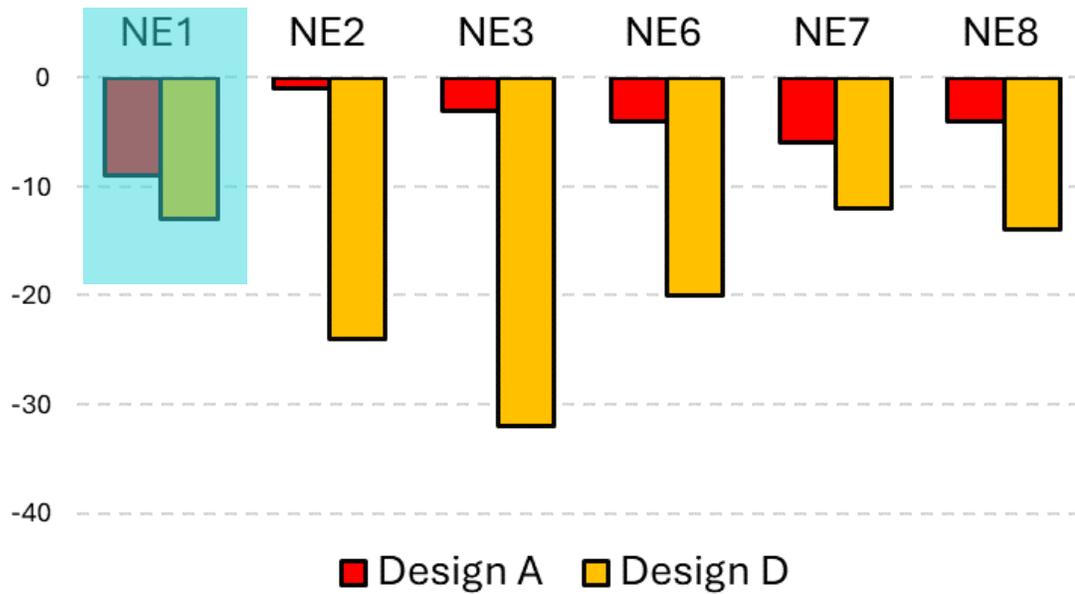


Weather Window Modelling

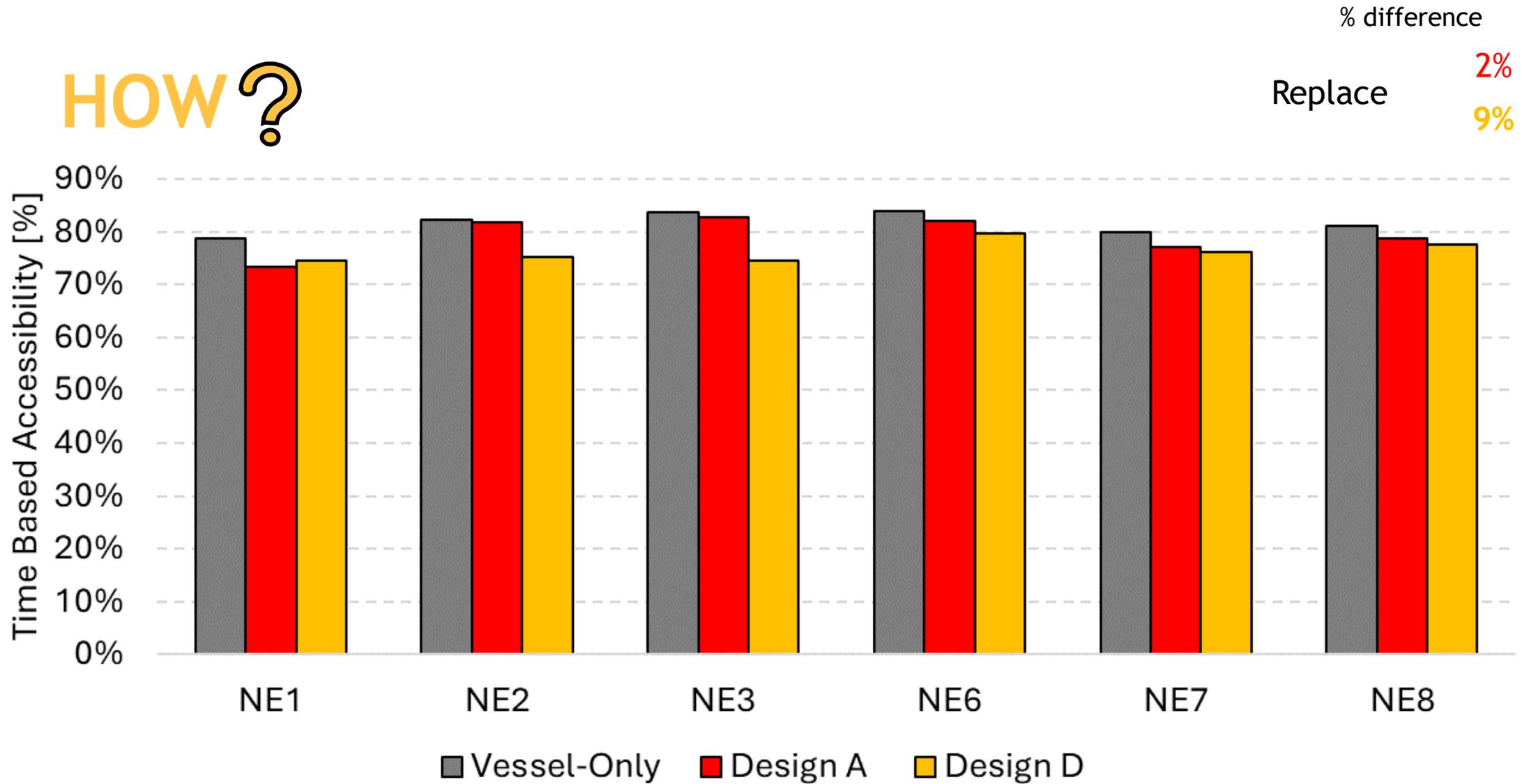


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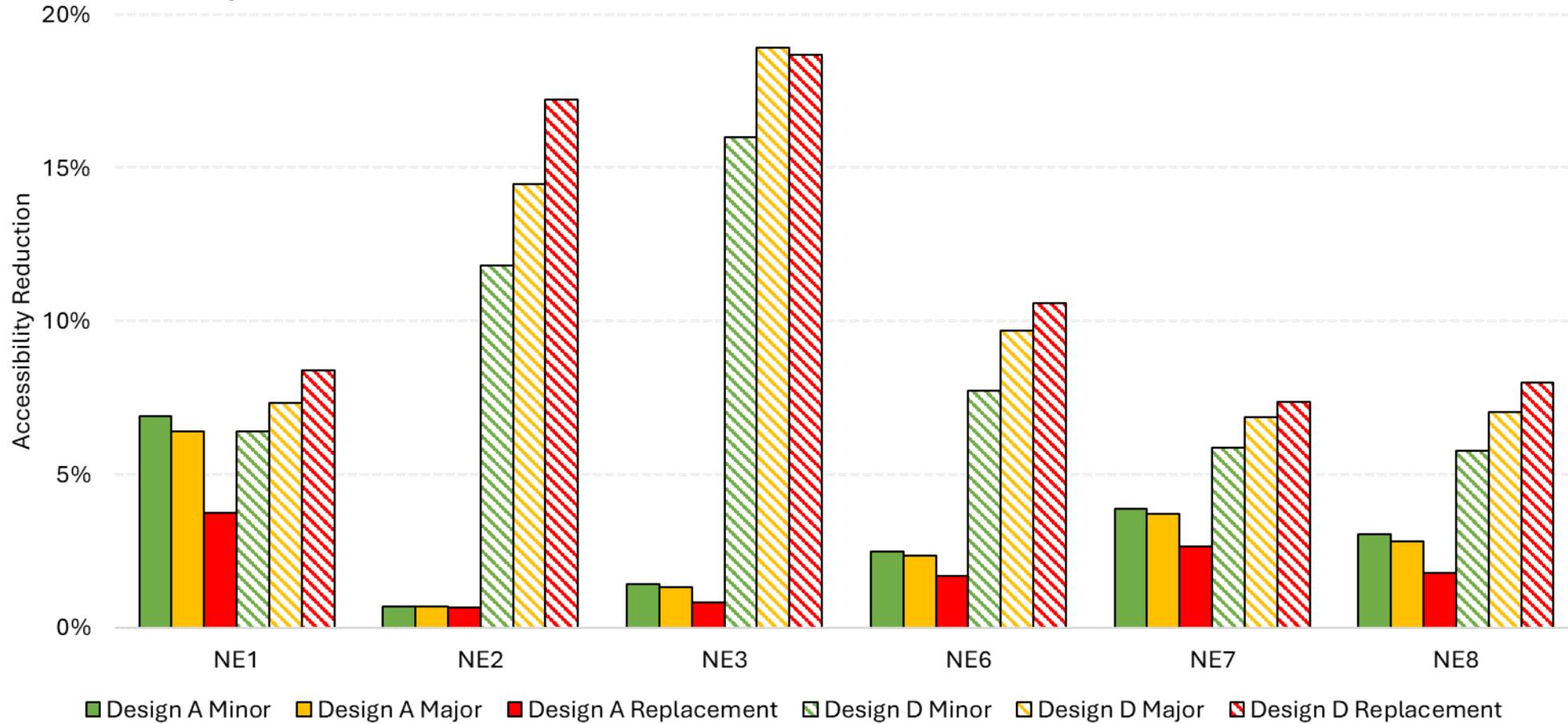
P50 Weather Window Length Reduction



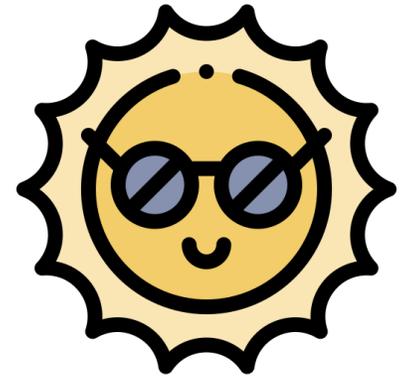
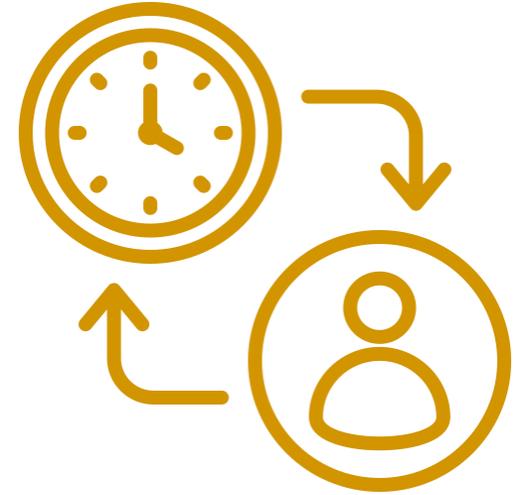
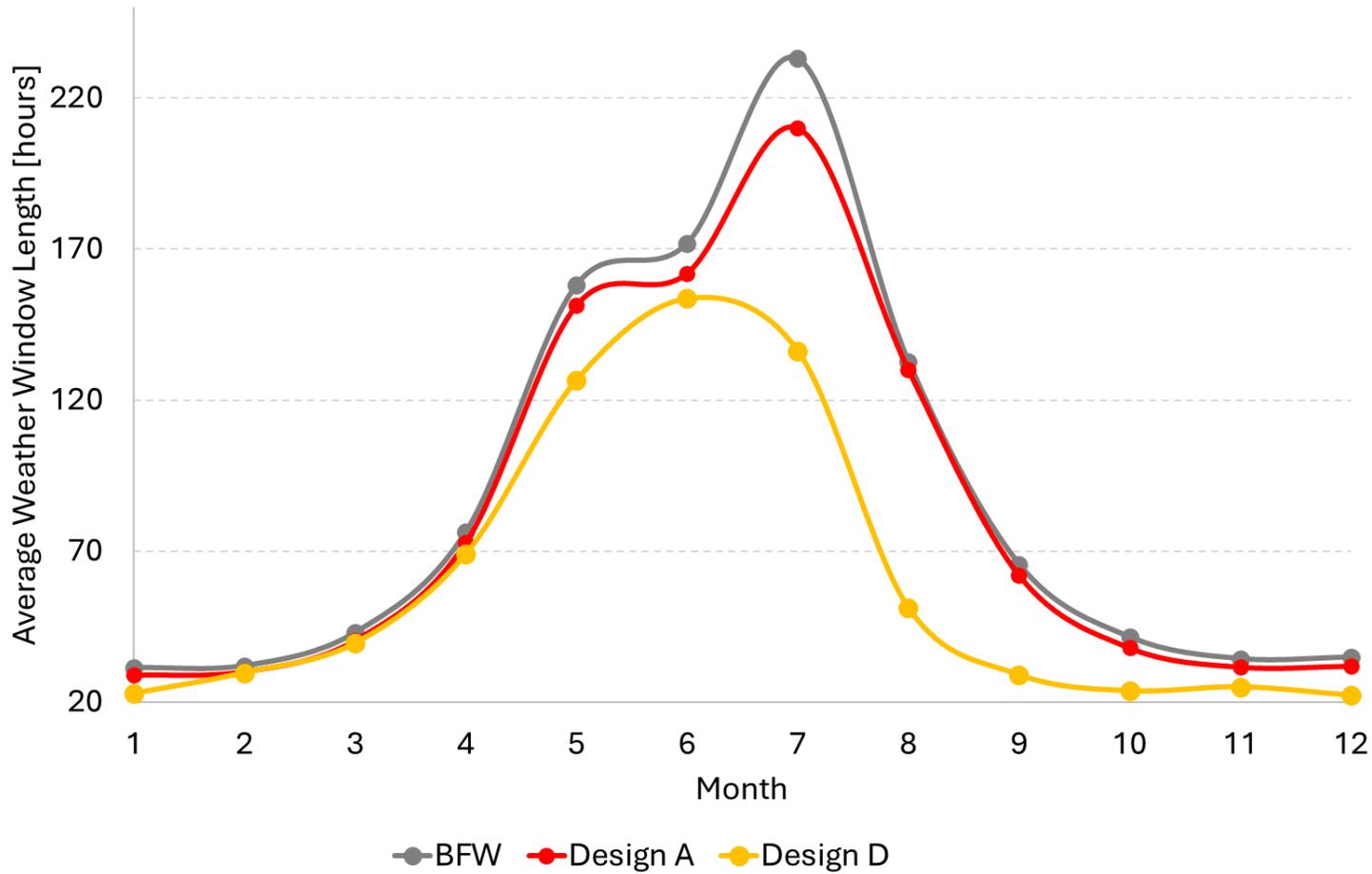
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15%

Average increase
in OpEx for
on-replacement
operations

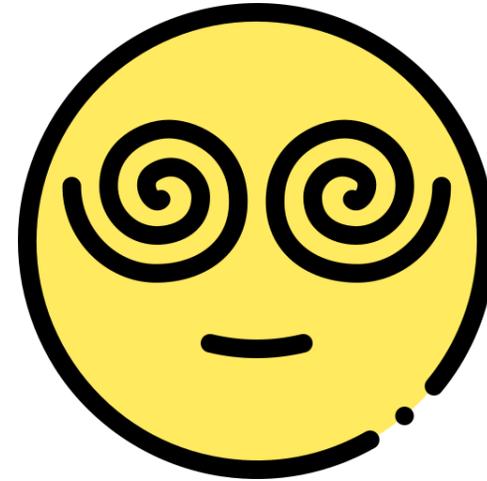
Conclusions



Unique results for each substructure design



SOV strategy sites will see a more significant impact



What is an acceptable WI?



Effective scheduling Required



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