

WAIP:
Winged Air Induction Pipe
WAIP:What is it?

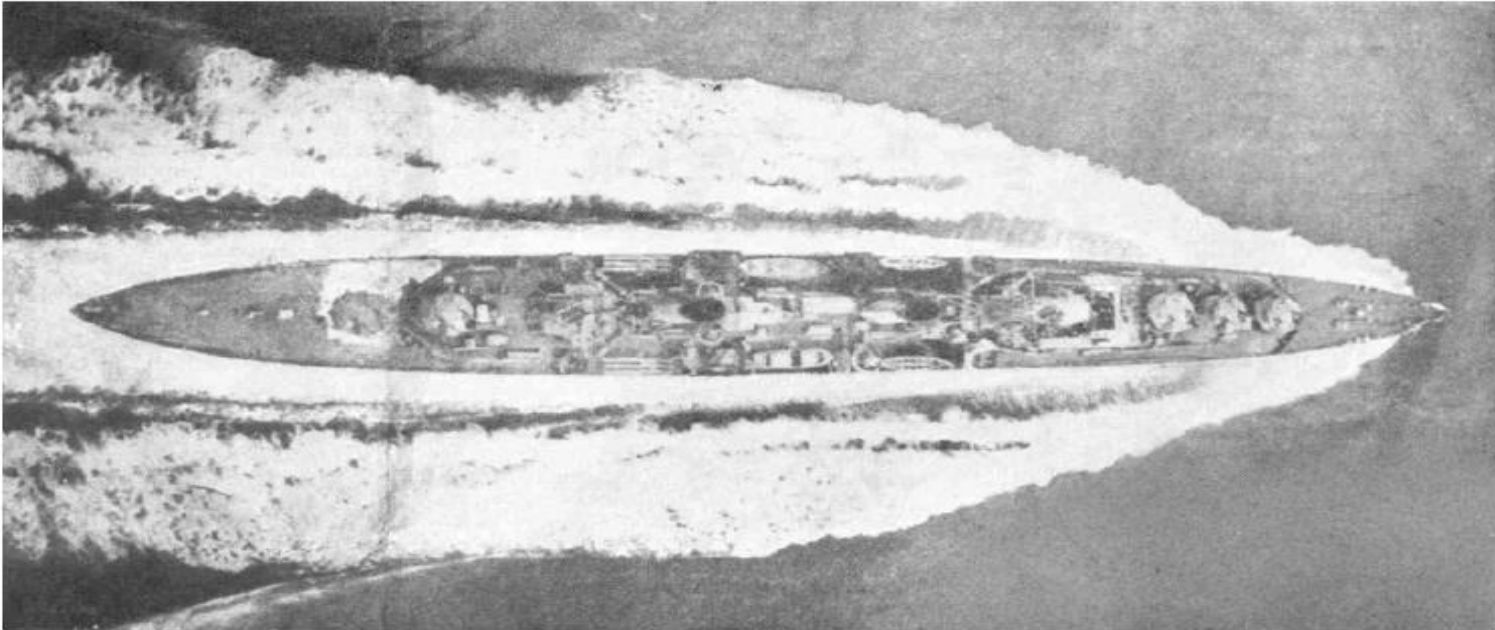
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Frictional resistance

Normally 60-70% of total resistance



Friction is reduced in nature by micro bubbles



Source: Ingo Rechenberg

Two(2) main parts of ship resistance

- Wave making resistance

Every ship now can reduce this resistance by designing Bulbous Bow.

- Frictional resistance

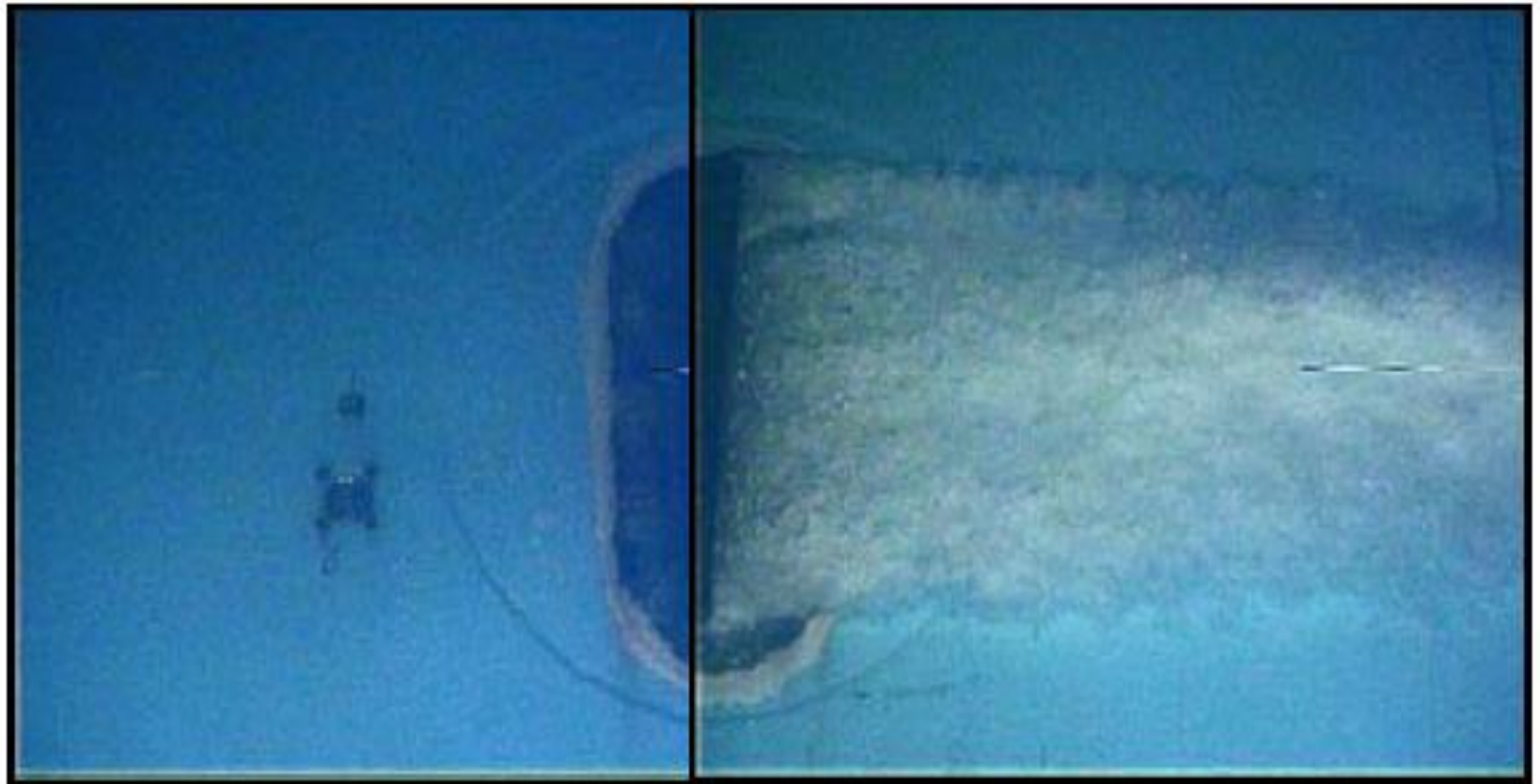
(called Drag Reduction by specialists)

Every engineer/scientist is looking for any practical reduction ways so far, but not succeeded except this **WAIP**.

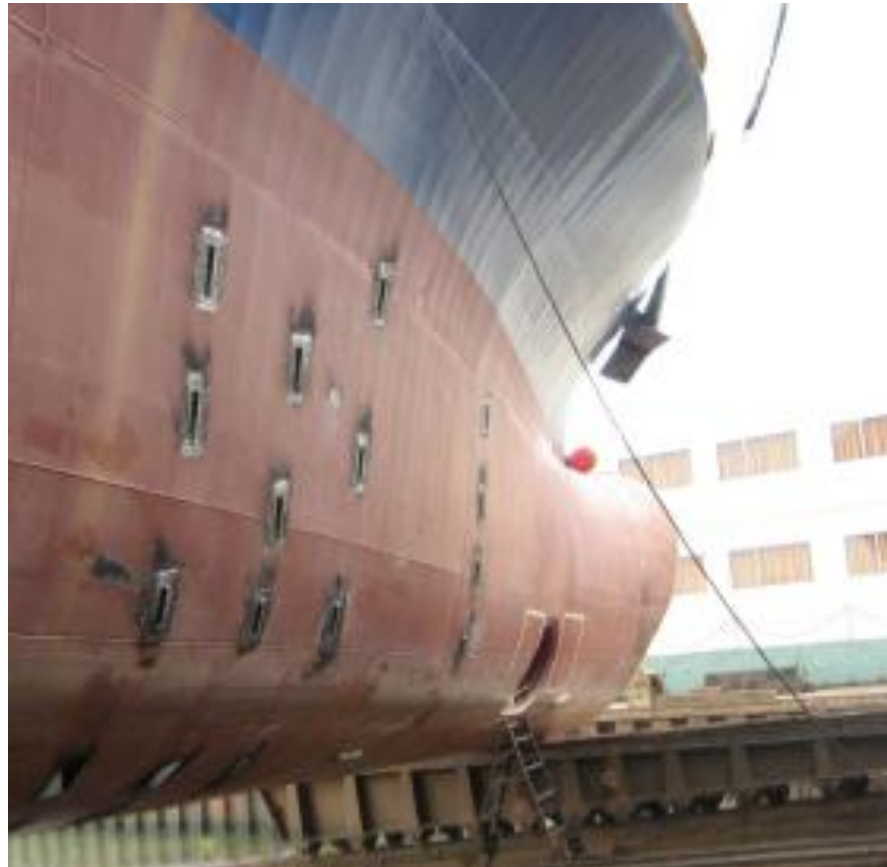
Two(2) regions of Drag Reduction in Air Lubrication ways

- **Turbulence Modulation Method:**
WAIP is a typical example.
RDE only has made R&D for over 20 years.
- **Air Film Method:**
Examples : ACS by DK shipping, others
Many other researchers are aiming at
application of this method to vertical hull
Drag Reduction.

Vertical WAIP microbubble generation photo taken at MARIN



Filia Ariea has succeeded in vertical hull drag reduction in July 2008.
85m coaster 10% saving at 12knots



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WAIP fitted to Mixing chamber



Mixing chamber under fabrication at Holland shipyard in July 2008



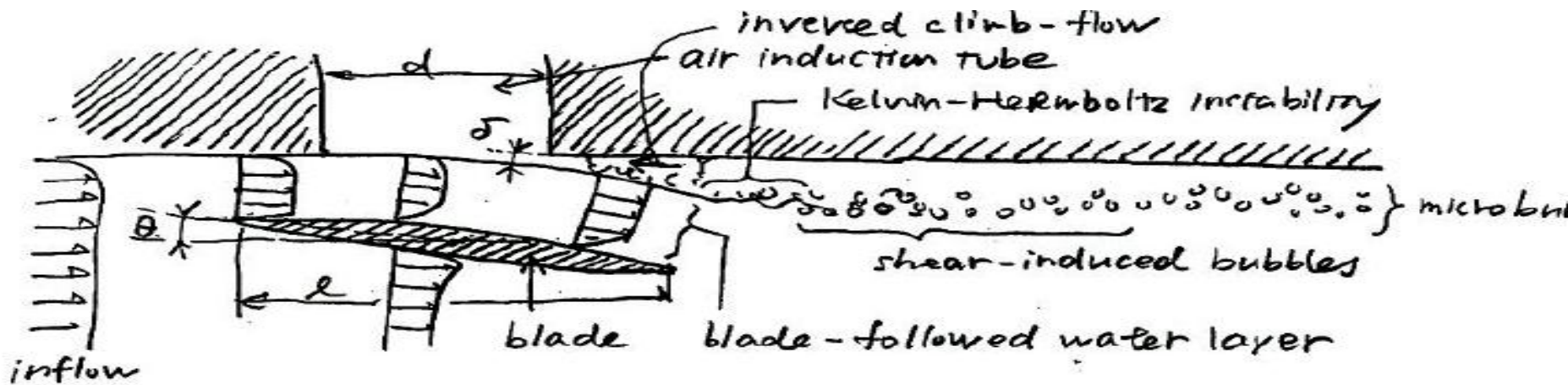
Main features of WAIP

1. Fine Microbubble (peak dia. 1.0mm) is generated by Kelvin-Helmholtz Instability.
2. Microbubble is released as soon as generated. The Microbubble stays in water pretty long time as cloud with hull-tightening force on it.
3. Any ship goes through the cloud with hull drag being reduced by hull-tightening Microbubble. When the WAIP is above water level, it stops generating Microbubble.

KHI needs air phase and water phase at the same time on wing of WAIP

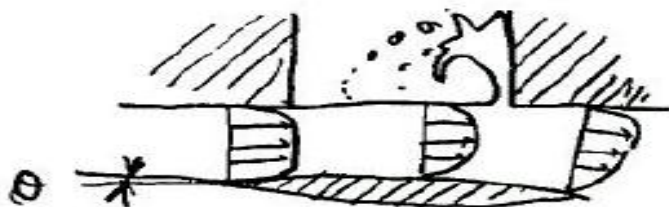
- KHI is natural physical phenomenon and needs not any additional power for generation of microbubble at WAIP except water head corresponding pressurization by compressors.**
- When WAIP underwater, it generates microbubble at any time.**

KHI condition to generate Microbubble

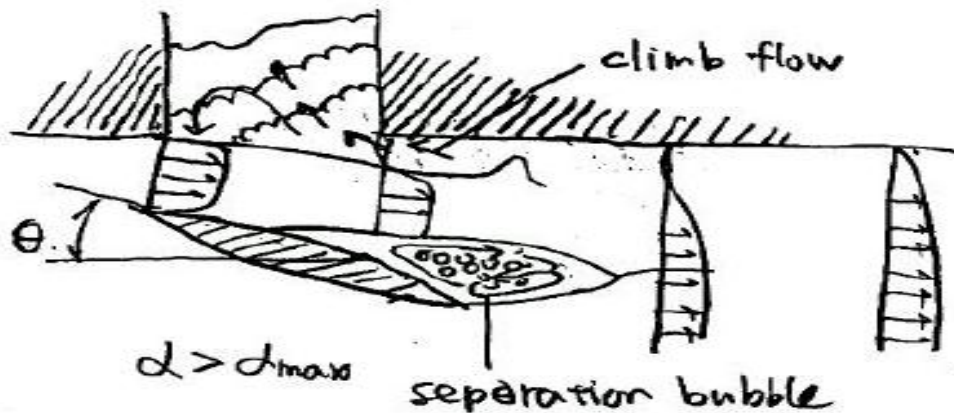


① 最小の長さ ... 空気の吸入

② 最大の長さ ... 管の詰り, or bladeのstall



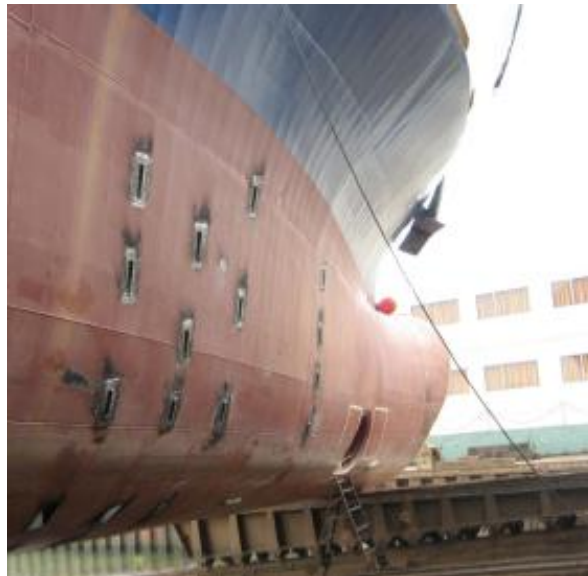
$$L < L_{min}$$



$$L > L_{max}$$

Microbubble stays in water pretty long time with hull tightening force on it.

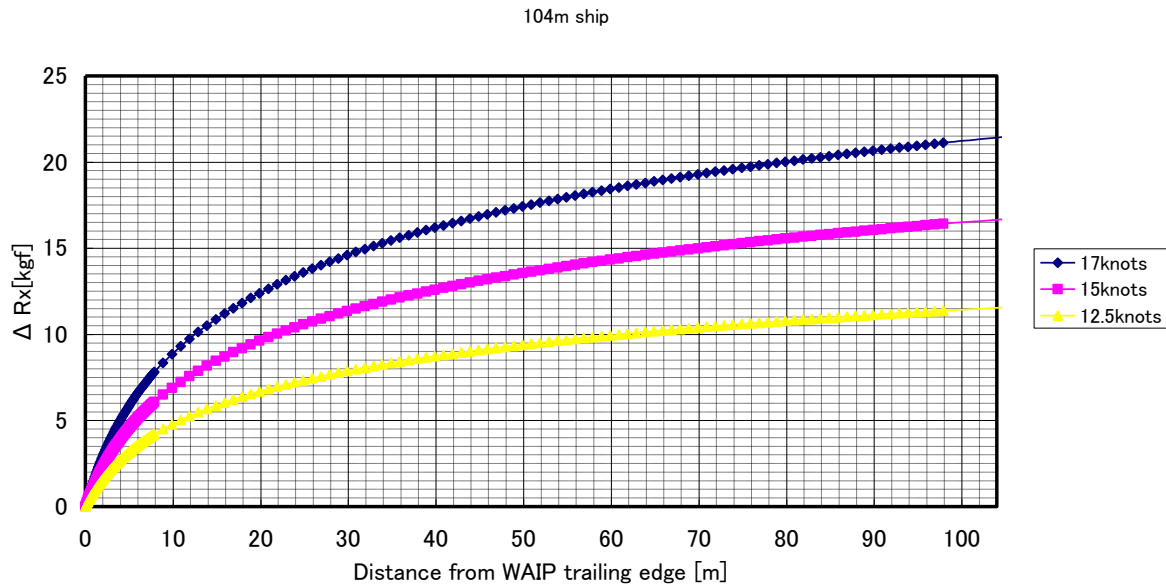
Then no restriction to drag reduction of vertical hull form of whichever ship type it may be.



RDE can calculate how much fuel saving a ship can attain by how many WAIPs on board.

ΔR : Accumulated drag reduced in kgf

L: Distance from trailing edge of wing



Actual application examples:

/M/V Santander Ferry 1

/M/V New Ferry Misaki

/M/V Filia Ariea



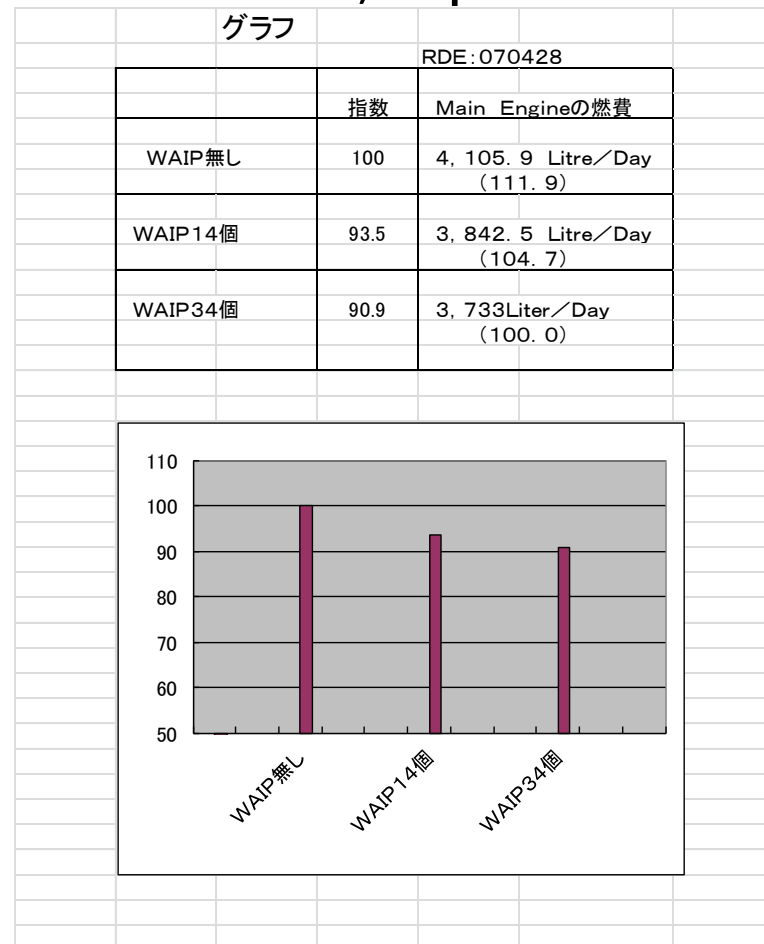
$L_{pp} \times B_{md} \times D_{md} = 28.8 \times 5.45 \times 1.55 \text{m}, 350 \text{ps} \times 2$
14.3% saving was shown by 10WAIP attached.

/New Ferry Misaki

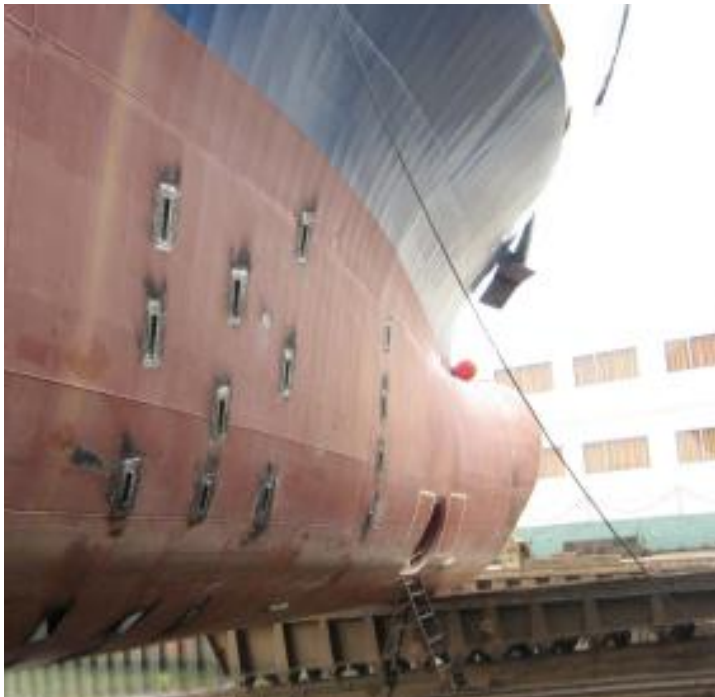
34 WAIP installed to New Ferry Misaki

:14 August, 2005 and another 20 August, 2007

$Lpp \times Bmd \times Dmd \times d = 68.0 \times 12.3 \times 8.95 \times 3.2m$ 4,076ps

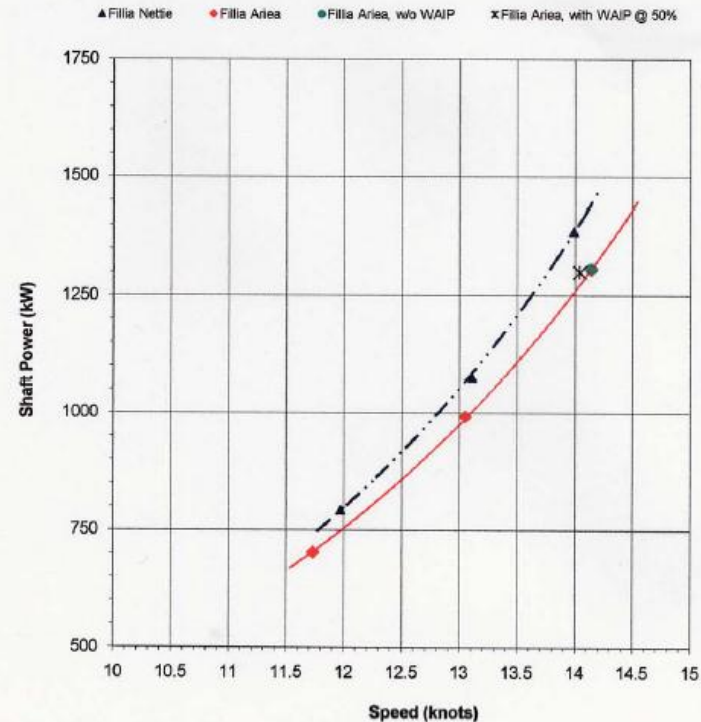


/Filia Ariea: $L_{pp}=85\text{m}$ coaster June, 2008; about 10% saving realized by 52WAIPs at 12knots



Speed - power graphic

Ship's name	: Filia Ariea	Draught fore	: 1.88 m
Report nr.	: 973-A / 08	aft	: 3.12 m
Date	: June 12th, 2008	mean	: 2.50 m
Displacement	: 2150 t	Trial condition	: Ballast
Corrected for shallow water and wind			



Necessary data for calculation

$L_{pp} * B_{mld} * D_{mld} * d$ (least draft for operations)

Normal output/Normal speed:

For designing WAIP allocation and F.O.saving amount

Actual output/Actual speed:

Actual expected F.O.saving amount