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Messages in this talk

1. What is wake model validation?

2. Is it possible to predict the wake model error on AEP for an arbitrary offshore wind power plant?

3. Use of SCADA data to validate wake models
AEP is proportional to the $E(P_{WF})$

$$AEP_{WF} = N_h E(P_{WF})$$

Challenges

• Comparing averaged values is not trivial

• Is the model predicting the right distribution of power?
Wake model error can be obtained by comparing the distribution of $P_{WF}$

Measured (SCADA) vs Predicted (e.g. NOJ)
Distribution of power

- Cumulative probability distribution of 10 min power production from SCADA
Distribution of power

- Expected value of power is the area above CDF

\[ \mathbb{E}(P_{WF}) = \int_0^{P_{rated}} [1 - \text{CDF}] \, dP \]
Is this a good model??

- Compare the areas

$$\mathbb{E}(P_{WF}) = \int_0^{P_{rated}} [1 - \text{CDF}] \, dp$$
Is this a good model?? Compare the areas

\[ \mathbb{E}(P_{WF})_{\text{meas}} - \mathbb{E}(P_{WF})_{\text{model}} = A1 - A2 \]
What is the problem?
Calibration at a given WF1

\[ \mathbb{E}(P_{WF})_{\text{meas}} = \mathbb{E}(P_{WF})_{\text{model}} \]

A1 = A2

A1: Model underestimations
A2: Model overestimations
Calibrated model fails at WF 2

\[ \mathbb{E}(P_{WF})_{\text{meas}} \neq \mathbb{E}(P_{WF})_{\text{model}} \]

A1: Model underestimations
A2: Model overestimations

A1 \neq A2
Area validation metric as a way to estimate model error
Calibration at a given WF1

- Area between the distributions as model uncertainty
- Proposed at SANDIA [Oberkampf]

\[ \mathbb{E}(P_{WF})_{\text{meas}} - \mathbb{E}(P_{WF})_{\text{model}} = A_1 - A_2 \]

\[ AVM = A_1 + A_2 \]
Area Validation Metric (AVM)

- Gives a conservative estimation of model uncertainty

\[ \mathbb{E}(P_{WF})_{\text{meas}} \in \mathbb{E}(P_{WF})_{\text{model}} \pm AVM \]
Can the model uncertainty be predicted??

YES
Build a model validation domain
Wake Model Validation

- Continuos process of extending the validated region

Each point represents a WD sector of available SCADA measurements
Wake Model Validation

• Continuous process of extending the validated region

![Graph showing validated region and mean wind turbine spacing]
Validation Region of a wake model

- Used to estimate the error in the prediction of the new project
Example using Horns Rev 1
Area validation metric (AVM) in Horns Rev 1

- AVM is used to define/predict the wake model uncertainty

\[
\mathbb{E}(P_{WF})_{\text{meas}} \in \mathbb{E}(P_{WF})_{\text{model}} \pm AVM
\]
NOJ Wake Model Validation Domain

Validation Domain NOJ for 30 [deg.]
The error of a wake model can be predicted
The elephant in the room

How do you get the CDF(P)?
Power distribution Re-analysis of SCADA

- General method to reconstruct the time series from SCADA of offshore WF’s
Conclusions

1. Validation based on the distribution of P_WF for each sector
2. Use SCADA data to build validation region (for every model)
3. Wake model error on AEP can be predicted for an arbitrary wind power plant, but you will need SCADA data

We invite you to give us access to offshore SCADA data
They will be anonymously used

- We offer you open source wake models (FUSED-Wake)
- Validation regions updated with the new observations for several models

Visit https://github.com/DTUWindEnergy/FUSED-Wake
Thank you for your attention

Please ask questions

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