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Minutes
IEA WIND Task 31+32 Workshop on

Lidar measurements for wake assessment
and comparison with wake models

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Venue: Technical University of Munich, Munich, Germany

Immediately preceding The Science of Making Torque from Wind conference 2016

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Task 31: Javier Sanz Rodrigo, CENER, Spain

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Agenda Overview

8:30 Welcome and introduction round

9:00 Introduction to the workshop

Javier Sanz Rodrigo (Task 31) and Davide Trabucchi (Task 32)

9:30 Invited presentations:

What has been done so far?

- David Maniaci (Sandia): Lidar measurements at SWIFT
- Sandrine Aubrun (University of Orleans): SMARTEOLE I
- Nicolai Gayle Nygaard (DONG Energy): Westermost Rough wind farm
- Paul Fleming and Matthew Churchfield (NREL), and Steffen Raach (SWE): The DOE 1.5 campaign at NWTC

10:30 Coffee break

- 10:45
- Juan-José Trujillo (ForWind – University of Oldenburg): Measuring the wake profile from lidar measurements: The effect of fixed and moving frame of reference
 - Kurt Schaldemose Hansen (DTU): Perdigão wind turbine wake measurements
 - Rebecca J. Barthelmie (Cornell University): Quantifying wake characteristics from lidar

- 11:30 Group discussion:
What are the objectives of lidar wake measurements?
- 12:30 Lunch
- 13:30 Comparative exercise: wake study based on lidar measurements
- 14:30 Plenary discussion:
How can we collaborate with existing measurement data?
- 15:30 Coffee break
- 15:45 Group discussion:
How can we collaborate in future?
- 16:45 Workshop wrap-up and formulation of next steps
- 17:30 End of workshop
- Attendees of the conference “The Science of Making Torque from Wind (TORQUE 2016)” will have the possibility to visit the [Welcome Cocktail](#) (17:00-20:00).
Additionally, we can organize a dinner, if desired.

Participation List

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Minutes

First Morning Session [8:30 – 9:45]

Welcome and introduction round (David Schlipf)

- David welcomes everybody.
- Round of introduction

Introduction to Workshop (Javier Sanz Rodrigo (Task 31) and Davide Trabucchi (Task 32))

- Davide introduces the workshop from the Task 32 perspective and the idea of working closer together with Task 31.
- Javier gives a short presentation of the scope of Task 31.

“What has been done so far?” Four invited speakers

1) David Maniaci (Sandia): Lidar measurements at SWIFT

- Introduction of the SWIFT site (3 Vestas V27) and the conducted experiments
- Presentation of Validation & Verification (VV) framework and Phenomenon Importance Ranking Table (PIRT) protocols
- At SWIFT a spinner lidar is used to measure the wake and a meteorological mast for the atmospheric conditions.
- The trajectories scanned by the lidar were optimized using lidar simulations of wake measurements within a Large Eddy Simulation wind field. In particular the settings of the lidar trajectories were defined in order to minimize the deviation of the simulated measurements from the reference wind field.
- For uncertainty reduction of the measurement point positions, the lidar trajectory is calibrated mapping the laser beam with an infrared camera.
- The lidar measurements showed that the position of the wake is not changing much during stable atmospheric stratification, while a lot of variation was observed during unstable conditions.
- The data will be available through the A2e project around January 2017.

2) Sandrine Aubrun (Univ. Orleans): SMARTEOLE I

- Introduction to the SMARTEOLE project consisting of two wind turbines, two ground-based, two nacelle-based lidars and a met mast
- The plan is to use the measured inflow for turbine control.

3) Nicolai Gayle Nygaard (DONG Energy): Westermost Rough wind farm

- Presentation of flow measurements with two radars at an offshore wind farm
- Reconstruction from the LOS velocities will allow for 3D images of the flow
- The campaign duration is more than a year
- The radar are not as expensive as an offshore meteorological mast, but much more expensive than lidars.
- Hard targets were used to align the radar beams.
- Precipitations have an influence on the measurements.

4) Paul Fleming and Matthew Churchfield (NREL), and Steffen Raach (SWE): The DOE 1.5 campaign at NWT

- Introduction to wake deflection measurements with a nacelle mounted lidar and an upstream met mast at the NREL facilities in Colorado

- Preparation of the campaign involved the simulation of the scan patterns in LES
- The lidar measurements tend to smooth out turbulent fluctuations in wakes. This effect was shown through the comparison of a cross section of the wake extracted from LES, a sample of these data at the positions scanned by a lidar simulator, the corresponding simulated lidar measurements.
- Measurement and turbine data will also be made available after the campaign through A2e.
- The need of well-defined procedures for processing the data (interpolation and wind field reconstruction) was pointed out.

Second Morning Session [10:00 – 12:45]

Continuation of previous session, three invited speakers

- 5) Juan-José Trujillo (ForWind – Oldenburg University): Measuring the wake profile from lidar measurements: The effect of fixed and moving frame of reference
- Introduction to a campaign at the offshore wind farm alpha ventus with 3 long-range lidar to study wake induced loads at a downwind turbine
 - Averaging in a moving frame of reference filters large scale motions of the wake and might lead to a better representation of the wake influence on downstream turbines.
- 6) Kurt Schaldemose Hansen (DTU): Perdigão wind turbine wake measurements
- Introduction to the Perdigão experiment involving an Enercon turbine on a hill ridge, 3 long-range and 3 short-range windscanners and a 20 m meteorological mast
 - The setup allows for measurements of the 3d wind vector.
 - Due to low availability of the short range windscanner, there was no overlapping period for the combined analysis of the short-range and long-range windscanner data.
 - A diurnal cycle of the vertical wake position and the extension of the wake was observed.
 - The data will be available in the NEWA project and a second campaign is following in 2017.
- 7) Rebecca J. Barthelmie (Cornell University): Quantifying wake characteristics from lidar
- Challenges and lessons learned from multiple lidar campaigns
 - How to assess uncertainties?
 - Consideration of trade-off between the possibilities of lidars and the purpose of the measurements

Group discussions: What are the objectives of lidar wake measurements?

- David Schlipf summarizes the presentation of the previous session and introduces the following three questions to guide the group discussion:
 - 1) **Why** do we need lidar wake measurements? For which purpose?
 - 2) **What** are the objectives of lidar measurements?
 - 3) **How** should we measure wakes using lidar?

The participants are divided into three groups to discuss the assigned questions. The results are presented on flip-charts (see

- Attachment 1: Figure 1, Figure 2, Figure 3 and Table 1) in the afternoon session. From the discussion it is concluded that:
 - The scope of lidar measurement of wind turbine wakes is the improvement of wake models. This can be achieved with a better calibration of these models, or some improvements deduced from the better understanding of the wake behavior which can be observed using lidar measurement. The overall benefit is at the end a lower cost of

energy which derived from lower uncertainty in resource assessment, wind turbine and wind farm control and load estimations.

- The objectives of lidar wake measurements can be variegated. It is therefore important to frame the answer to the three questions (why, what and how) into specific use cases, each one addressing different objectives, i.e. the wake shape and position, its recovery rate and expansion, wind farm effect, response to extreme conditions, ...). Besides that, it is very important to measure the inflow conditions of the boundary layer, which will require additional instrumentation.
- As just mentioned, the implementation should be guided by the use cases. Moreover, careful lidar simulations should support the design of an experimental campaign.

Early Afternoon Session [14:00 – 15:30]

Comparative exercise:

Davide Trabucchi: Wake study based on lidar measurements

- Davide presents an exercise to calculate the velocities and their uncertainties measured by a virtual lidar from an LES of a wind turbine wake.
- Comparison of the results by the 4 participants who did the exercise (ForWind- University of Oldenburg, DTU, Zephyr & DLR)
- Results mainly differ in the uncertainty estimation.
- Each of the participants explains his approach.
- Discussion about how the uncertainties are defined
- It is decided to create a group that works on exercises to unify the approach to get the wind field from lidar measurements.

How can we collaborate with existing measurement data?

Davide Trabucchi, Lukas Vollmer (ForWind) & Javier Sanz Rodrigo (CENER): Benchmark for wake models based on lidar data

- Presentation of a data set of lidar measurements that were processed for validation with average simulation data
 - Measurements from 2 long range lidar in *alpha ventus* were combined to get a 2D wind field at hub height in a turbine wake ([vanDooren et al., 2016](#)).
- Presentation of an approach to create LES data that can be directly compared to the measurements ([Vollmer, 2016](#))
 - To simulate the measured conditions profiles from a meso-scale model are used to get a transient background state in the LES.
- Javier presents how benchmarks for numeric flow models are designed in Task 31.
- Discussion about the suitability of the presented data for a benchmark for wake models
- Plan to prepare a benchmark for wakes simulated with transient LES based on the measurements

Late Afternoon Session [16:00 – 17:30]

How can we collaborate in future?

- The collaboration between the lidar and modeling communities in the near and long term is discussed among groups formed previously
- The results are presented on flip-charts (see Attachment 2: Figure 4 and Table 2). In general the conclusions are:

- The opportunity to work with the data of the experiments presented during the workshop which will be made publicly available should be considered.
- For future campaign it is suggested to design the experiment according to use cases.
- The need of guidelines is identified which could uniform and prescribe how measurement campaign should be designed and how the documentation of the data which could be shared among institutes should be compiled.
- Institutes should cooperate together sharing efforts and experience in a well-defined framework. In this sense workshops could be organized, lessons learned forums could be established, open access software could be shared.
- Existing use cases used to keep experimental campaigns simple and ensure their success. A more specific description of the use cases and their application could facilitate their implementation.
- An overview of the available flow models in terms of application and level of approximation could help to clarify the objectives of measurement campaigns.

Workshop wrap-up and formulation of next steps

From the previous sessions, the following actions can be considered:

- 1) Select few use cases and define corresponding comparative exercises based on the simulation of lidar measurements in high fidelity wind fields.
- 2) Define a new benchmark using the *alpha ventus* measurements presented during the workshop. The first attempt will deal with LES and prescribed initial conditions.
- 3) Extend use cases including recommendations about:
 - a. How to document the experimental campaign?
 - b. How to process the measurements?
 - c. How to format the final data?

Thanks to everybody for organizing as well as participating in the workshop!

Attachment 1

Flip-charts from group discussion 1 on the objectives of lidar wake measurements

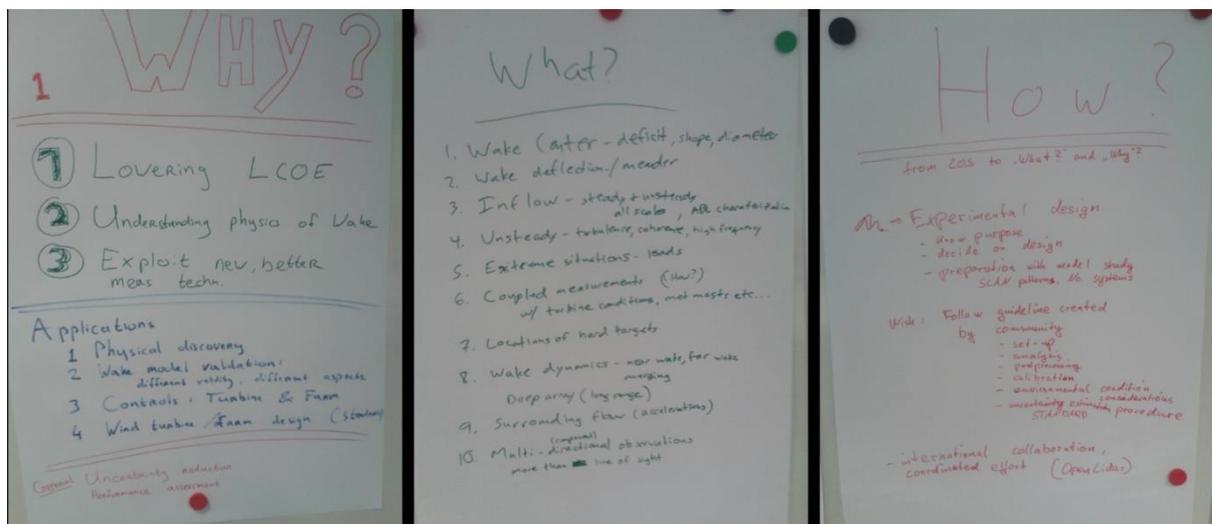


Figure 1: Objectives of lidar wake measurements. Notes of Group 1. ([OpenLIDAR](#))

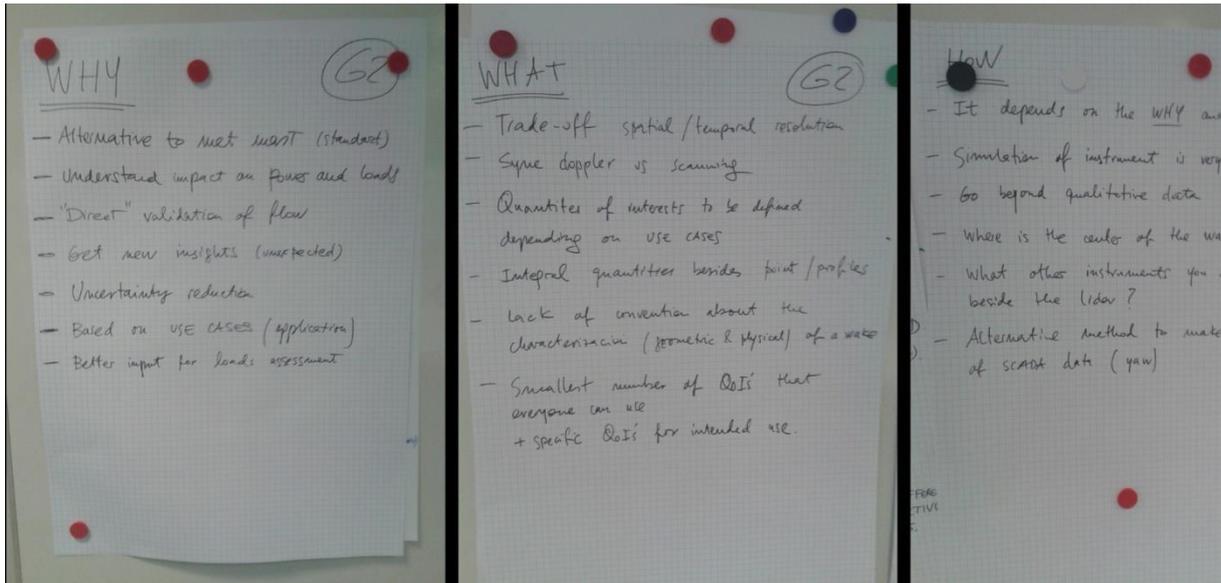


Figure 2: Objectives of lidar wake measurements. Notes of Group 2

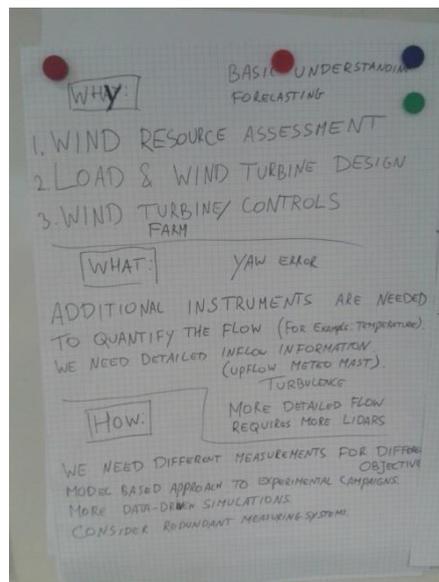


Figure 3: Objectives of lidar wake measurements. Notes of Group 3

Table 1 Results from group discussion on the objective of the lidar measurements

Group	Why?	What?	How?
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low down the cost of energy (wind turbine/farm design, control) • Understand better the physical aspects of wakes (wake model validation) • Exploit new better measurement techniques 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wake shape (center, shape, diameter) • Inflow (Atmospheric boundary layer, steady and unsteady, all scales) • Extreme situations (load applications) • Wake dynamics (near/far wake, merging wakes) • Deep array effect • Flow around a wind farm (speed-up effect) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using additional instrumentation • Concurrent/overlapping multi-directional measurements • Through experimental design (define purpose, prepare with model study of scan patterns, number of systems, other instrumentation) • Follow guidelines created by the community (set-up, calibration, processing, environmental conditions, uncertainty) • International collaborations, i.e. OpenLidar (shared efforts)
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alternative to met. masts • Understand the impact of wakes on power and loads • Direct validation of flow models • Get new insights • Provide a better input for load assessment • Reduce uncertainties • There are specific applications based on use cases 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trade off (spatial/temporal resolution, synchronized dual Doppler/scanning) • Quantities of interest defined according to use cases • Integral quantities should be investigated besides point and profile measurements • Few quantities of interest which anyone can use and few specific ones for dedicated use • The center of the wake 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How depends on why and what • Simulation of the measurements provide a useful support • Go beyond qualitative data • Use additional instrumentation to lidar • Apply alternative methods to make sense of SCADA data
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic understanding of wakes to improve models used for wind resource assessment, wind turbine/farm design and control 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inflow (Atmospheric boundary layer conditions) • Yaw misalignment • Wake center position • Wake recovery rate • Wake diameter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different measurement setups are needed for different objectives • Consider redundant measurement systems • Data driven simulations (implement lidar

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forecasting power production 		<p>measurements directly in the wake models)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional instrumentation is needed to characterize the inflow • Model based design of the experimental campaign
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(Note that the items listed here do not necessarily represent a consensus of all workshop participants.)

Attachment 2

Flip-charts from group discussion 2 on the future collaboration of the lidar and modeling communities

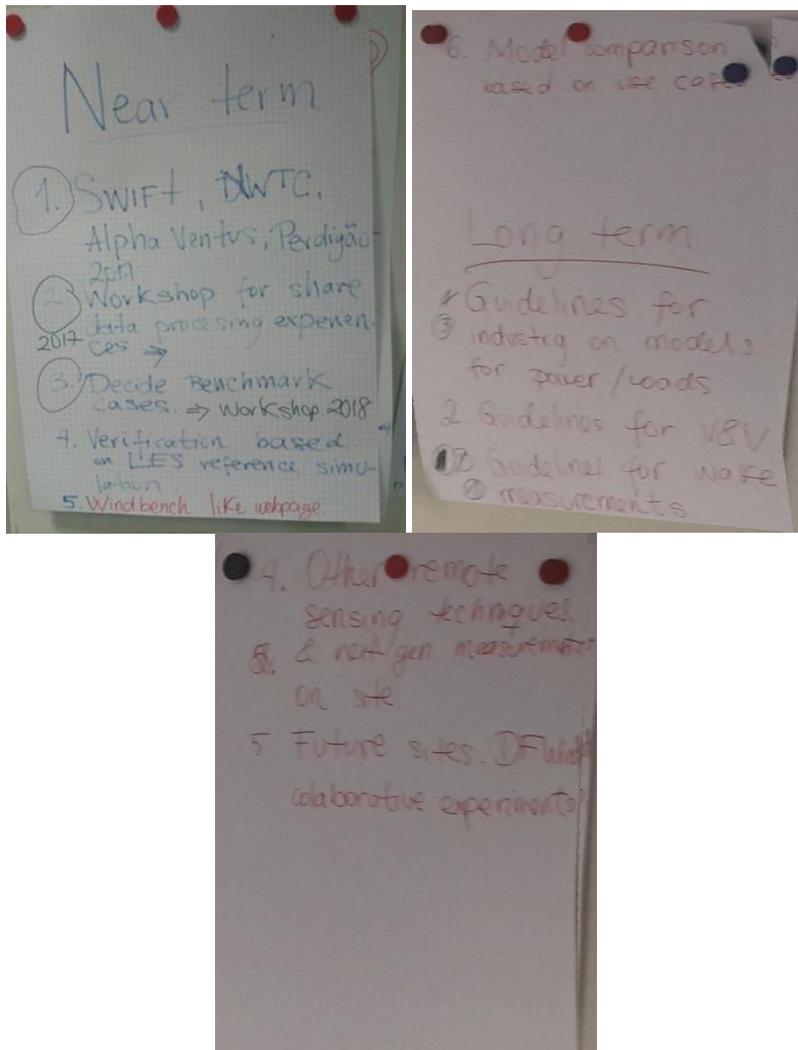


Figure 4: How can we collaborate in the future? From left to right, notes of group 1

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
<p>Near term</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Using data available from concluded experiments (SWIFT, NWTC, <i>alpha ventus</i> 2014, Perdigão 2017) Workshop to discuss how the experience with the shared data Define benchmark cases Verification based on LES wind fields used as reference Website like windbench Model comparison based on use cases <p>Long term</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Guidelines for wake measurements Guidelines for Verification and Validation experiments Guidelines for industry on wake models for power/load prediction Other remote sensing technology Collaborative research 	<p>Some problems need to be addressed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Different communities have different perspective and needs Deal with cases relevant for industry which could be genuine stress cases for the flow models Barriers to engagement due to gap in background knowledge <p>Possible solutions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Define and apply use cases (narrowing focus, simple and clear guidance, facilitate participation) Legal and commercial framework to ensure mutual benefit and no detriment Keep it simple and easy Open, transparent and cooperative efforts to accelerate the progress 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus on available data and future campaign (SWIFT, NWTC, <i>alpha ventus</i> 2014, Perdigão 2017) Be very specific on the measurement Define a guidance for sharing data (measurement protocol, data documentation) Prepare an overview of the available flow models in terms of application an physical approximation Open source tools for data analysis (filtering, wind reconstruction) Establish a lessons learned forum

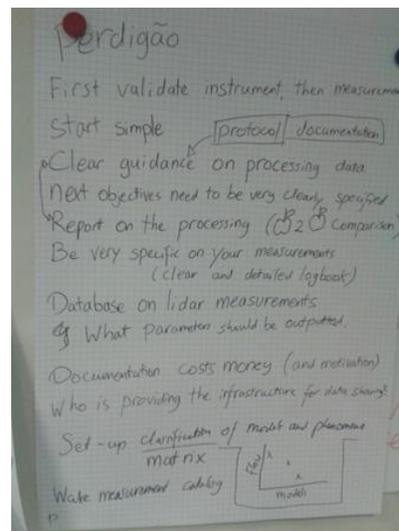
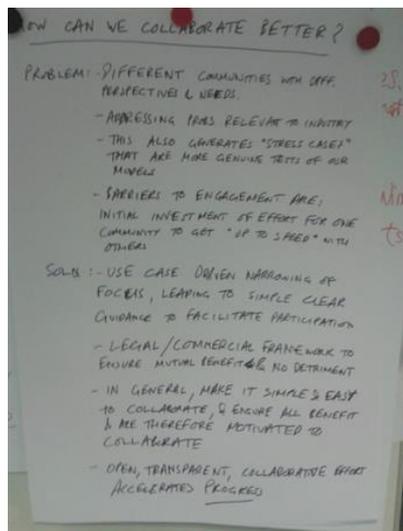


Figure 5: How can we collaborate in the future? From left to right, notes of groups 2 and 3