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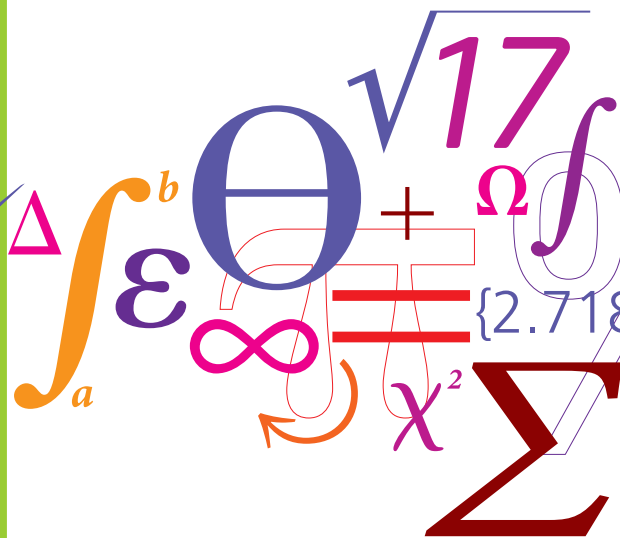
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Preface

Since 2014, DTU Wind Energy has organized a bi-annual event, entitled the Wind Turbine Acoustic Day. Its goal is to give an overview of important activities and the current status of science based knowledge, as well as facilitate discussions on the needs for research and development in the future. The conference aims at an audience with interest in noise and acoustics from wind turbines and some of the presentations can be at a high technical level.

Speakers with different backgrounds (wind turbine manufacturers, consultants, technical and social researchers, and lawgivers) are invited, presenting a broad overview of wind turbine noise issues in Denmark and abroad.

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1 Introduction

The aim of this report is to summarize the presentations which were given at the 3rd edition of the Wind Turbine Acoustic Day held by DTU Wind Energy on May, 17th 2018.

The presentations were organized in three successive sessions covering different topics: (1) Legal, technical and human issues regarding wind turbine noise, (2) Industry perspectives, and (3) Recent research advancements. The slides for the presentations, as well as abstracts for each of them, are provided in this document.

2 Agenda of the Acoustic Day 2018

ACOUSTIC DAY – Thursday, May 17th, 2018
9:00-17:00
at DTU RISØ CAMPUS
Niels Bohr Auditorium, Building 112
Frederiksborgvej 399, 4000 Roskilde

Agenda

Chairman: Christian Bak, DTU Wind Energy

TIME	Activities	Speakers & Locations
8:30-9:00	Registration and coffee	<i>Niels Bohr Auditorium - DTU Risø Campus (Bldg. 112)</i>
9:00-9:10	Welcome	Peter Hauge Madsen, Head of Department, DTU Wind Energy
Session #1: LEGAL, TECHNICAL AND HUMAN ISSUES REGARDING WIND TURBINE NOISE		
9:10-9:35	Adjustments in the regulation of noise from wind turbines	Jesper Mogensen, Miljø- og Fødevarerministeriet (Ministry of Environment and Food), Denmark
9:35-10:00	Low frequency sound insulation of buildings in relation to wind turbine noise	Bo Søndergaard, SWECO Danmark A/S
10:00-10:25	Annoyance from wind turbine noise? Review of wind turbine noise studies of the last two decades	Sabine Von Hünerbein, University of Salford, UK
10:25-10:50 - Coffee break		
Session #2: #1-CONT'D - and - INDUSTRY PERSPECTIVES		
10:50-11:15	Measurement at neighbor position	Lars Sommer Søndergaard, DELTA (FORCE Technology)
11:15 -11:40	Developments in Acoustics at Vestas Wind Systems A/S	Jérémy Hurault & Kaj Dam Madsen, VESTAS Wind Systems A/S
11:40-12:05	Developments in wind turbine noise: limitations and opportunities	Tomas Rosenberg Hansen, SIEMENS GAMESA Renewable Energy
12:05-12:55 - Lunch		
Session #3: RECENT RESEARCH ADVANCEMENTS		
12:55-13:10	Cross-Cutting Activities and HAWC2-Noise	Franck Bertagnolio, DTU Wind Energy
13:10-13:25	Statistical prediction of far-field wind turbine noise, with probabilistic characterization of atmospheric stability	Mark Kelly, DTU Wind Energy
13:25-13:40	Recent developments in noise propagation modelling	Wen Zhong Shen, DTU Wind Energy
13:40-13:55	Status of the National Wind Tunnel	Christian Bak, DTU Wind Energy
13:55-14:10	The acoustic measurement setup in the Poul la Cour Wind Tunnel	Andreas Fischer, DTU Wind Energy
14:10-14:40 - Coffee Break		
14:40-15:00 - Walk or drive to the wind tunnel location (~700m from Niels Bohr auditorium)		
Session #4: VISIT OF THE POUL LA COUR WIND TUNNEL		
15:00-16:00	Visit of the wind tunnel facility	<i>Poul la Cour Wind Tunnel - DTU Risø Campus (Bldg. 331)</i>
16:00-17:00	Networking	<i>Poul la Cour Wind Tunnel - DTU Risø Campus (Bldg. 331)</i>
	Good bye	

3 Abstracts for the Presentations

The following abstracts can also be found in later sections in this document together with the slides for each individual presentation.

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May 17th, DTU-Risø Campus, Roskilde (DK)

List of speakers and abstracts

Jesper MOGENSEN, Miljø- og Fødevareministeriet (Ministry of Environment and Food of Denmark)

Title: Adjustments in the regulation of noise from wind

Abstract: The Danish EPA and the Ministry of Environment and Food are working on a number of adjustments to the statutory order on noise from wind turbines. The technical adjustments include a graduated penalty for clearly audible tones and differentiated sound insulation values for summerhouse areas and residences. The technical adjustments also include a correction to the calculation method for noise from offshore wind turbines and the corrected method takes into account a contribution from multiple reflections at sea. The adjustments also include a clarification of the transitional provisions applying if the wind turbine is altered and thus emitting more noise as well as the possibility for the authority to order the owner of an offshore turbine to make noise emission control measurements.

Bo SØNDERGAARD, SWECO (DK)

Title: Low frequency sound insulation of buildings in relation to wind turbine

Abstract: The danish regulations for wind turbines includes noise criteria for low frequency noise. In the regulations a set of standard data for the insertion loss of typical danish houses at frequencies from 8 Hz to 200 Hz are tabled for use in noise predictions. In 2016 and 2017 two new investigations were initiated by the danish EPA on low frequency (LF) sound insulation in buildings at the countryside in Denmark. Both investigations are related to noise from wind turbines but the results can be used in general. The purpose with first investigation - to establish a more precise determination on LF sound insulation in typical houses - was fulfilled due to a mapping in 16 houses/24 rooms, roughly a doubling of the former data. The purpose

of the second investigation was to establish new knowledge on how to improve LF sound insulation in existing Danish houses in areas with wind turbines. This investigation includes: (1) a literature survey to establish existing knowledge, (2) measurements and experiments on 23 building constructions to investigate how to improve sound insulation on heavy and lightweight facades by means of building elements and one experiment using a room acoustic approach. Some of the conclusions are that it – in some cases – is possible with traditional indoor sound re-isolation or by outdoor façade sound-isolation to improve the LF sound insulation significantly.

Sabine VON HÜBERNEIN, University of Salford (UK)

Title: Annoyance from wind turbine noise? Review of wind turbine noise studies of the last two decades

Abstract: In agreement with other environmental noise literature, most work on the annoyance from wind turbines has focussed on noise. Notable work has been carried out in Sweden, the Netherlands, Japan, China, Canada and the US. Their results seem to show that the noise from wind turbines starts to annoy at sound levels that are much lower than that of other sources such as road or rail traffic. At the same time other factors are identified that also correlate highly with annoyance ratings. The presentation will critically review the evidence and raise the question whether it is time to shift the focus from noise annoyance to a much broader view on the factors affecting the acceptance of wind energy installations.

Lars Sommer SØNDERGAARD, DELTA (FORCE Technology, DK)

Title: Measurement at neighbor position

Abstract: Project for the Danish EPA to investigate whether the current guidelines for measurement of noise emission and noise propagation calculation from wind turbines described in the Danish Statutory Order give an accurate noise contribution at residents and to make measurements under conditions other than the Danish Statutory Order prescribes.

Jérémy HURULT & Kaj Dam MADSEN, VESTAS Wind Systems (DK)

Title: Developments in Acoustics at Vestas Wind Systems A/S

Abstract: The presentation will hold a short introduction on the perspectives and then a more detailed presentation on aero-acoustic developments.

Tomas Rosenberg HANSEN, SIEMENS-GAMESA (DK)

Title: Developments in wind turbine noise: limitations and opportunities

Abstract: Noise from wind turbines is one of the constraining factors for how many wind turbines will be built in the future and thereby how much clean energy we can produce by use of onshore wind turbines. What will be the important factors to ensure turbines also in the future? Which are the limitations Siemens-Gamesa sees in the market related to noise and how do we react to this?

Franck BERTAGNOLIO, DTU Wind Energy (DK)

Title: Cross-cutting activities and wind turbine noise

Abstract: In this presentation, self-financed research activities (so-called CCA) currently conducted at DTU Wind Energy on a Vestas V52 test turbine are described with focus on measurements related to noise. Furthermore, some measurements are compared with the HAWC2-noise model which combines the well-known aeroelastic and load prediction code with a recently implemented noise module. Some features of the software are also presented.

Wen Zhong SHEN, DTU Wind Energy (DK)

Title: Recent developments in noise propagation modelling

Abstract: Wind turbine noise from source to receiver is a complicated process, which is influenced by atmospheric conditions and turbine operation conditions. This talk summarizes the recent developments at DTU in modelling the noise propagation process which include the coupling modelling of atmospheric flow, wind turbine wake flow, noise source and noise propagation, as well as the moving source strategy.

Mark KELLY, DTU Wind Energy (DK)

Title: Statistical prediction of far-field wind turbine noise, with probabilistic characterization of atmospheric stability

Abstract: Here we provide statistical low-order characterization of noise propagation from a single wind turbine, as affected by mutually interacting turbine wake and environmental conditions. This is accomplished via a probabilistic model, applied to an ensemble of atmospheric conditions based upon atmospheric stability; the latter follows from the basic form for stability distributions established by Kelly and Gryning (2010). For each condition, a parabolic-equation acoustic propagation model is driven by an atmospheric boundary-layer

("ABL") flow model; the latter solves Reynolds-Averaged Navier-Stokes equations of momentum and temperature, including the effects of stability and ABL depth, along with the drag due to the wind turbine. Sound levels are found to be highest downwind for modestly stable conditions not atypical of mid-latitude climates, and noise levels are less elevated for very stable conditions, depending on ABL depth.

The probabilistic modelling gives both the long-term mean and rms noise level as a function of distance, per site-specific atmospheric stability statistics. The variability increases with the distance; for distances beyond 3 km downwind, this variability is the highest for stability distributions that are modestly dominated by stable conditions. However, mean noise levels depend on the widths of the stable and unstable parts of the stability distribution, with more stably-dominated climates leading to higher mean levels.

Christian BAK, DTU Wind Energy (DK)

Title: Status of the National Wind Tunnel

Abstract: n/a.

Andreas FISCHER, DTU Wind Energy (DK)

Title: The acoustic measurement setup in the Poul la Cour Wind Tunnel

Abstract: The Poul La Cour Wind Tunnel provides the possibility to test aerofoils at high Reynolds numbers. It can be configured in two different set-ups: the aerodynamic and the acoustic setup. This talk focuses on the acoustic set-up which is similar to the one developed at Virginia Tech. It consists of large Kevlar walls that allow the sound to propagate, but contain the flow. The test section is surrounded by a large anechoic chamber where an 84 channel Brüel&Kjær microphone array is located. Array data processing techniques to extract the aerofoil noise will be presented.

4 Session #1

Legal, Technical and Human Issues Regarding Wind Turbine Noise

This session is about various aspects of wind turbine noise which directly impact the residents and how they experience noise.

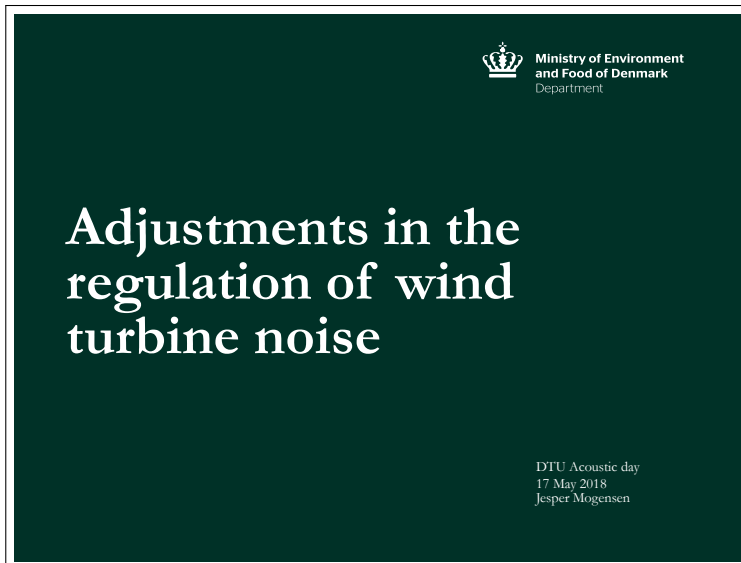
4.1 Adjustements in the regulation of wind turbine noise

Speaker: *Jesper Mogensen*, Ministry of Environment and Food of Denmark

Abstract:

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Slides:



Outline

Technical adjustments

- Graduated penalty for clearly audible tones
- Differentiated sound insulation values for summerhouse areas and residences.
- Correction in the calculation method for noise from offshore wind turbines taking into account a contribution from multiple reflections at sea

Legal adjustments

- Clarification of the transitional provisions
- Possibility for the environmental authority to order the owner of an offshore turbine to make noise emission control measurements



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The Statutory order – 1736 december 21, 2015

- Mandatory provisions
- Noise limits at 6 and 8 m/s for the total noise from all turbines
 - Calculated noise levels
 - Broadband noise
 - Low frequency noise
- Annex with mandatory methods
 - Emission measurement methods (in general agreement with IEC 61400-11)
 - Calculation methods (broadband and low frequency noise)
 - Downwind propagation from all turbines
 - Calculation of low frequency level indoor using general sound insulation values for typical Danish houses in open country
 - 5 dB penalty for clearly audible tones
- Transparent system, identically same procedure used for application and for control



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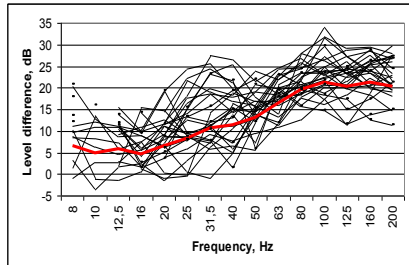
Graduated penalty for clearly audible tones

- Well known Danish method made into a standard:
 - DS/ISO 1996-2, 2. edition 2007-06-20: part 2, Annex C
 - British Standard BS 4142:2014: "Methods for rating and assessing industrial and commercial sound" Annex D (normative) Objective method for assessing the audibility of tones in sound: Reference method
- Measurement for wind speeds 5 – 9 m/s for at least 1 hour
- At least 1 spectrum below 6,0 m/s and 1 above 8,0 m/s
- At least 5 spectra 5,5 – 7 m/s
- At least 5 spectra 7 – 8,5 m/s



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Sound insulation of dwellings at low frequencies – current values



- 14 different dwellings, 26 measurements
- The chosen level implies that 67% of typical dwellings in Denmark have a better sound insulation and 33% have a lower sound insulation



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- **Sound insulation at low frequencies – new measurements**

- New measurements in 16 houses - doubling the total data set
- More precise determination of average and standard deviation for the low frequency sound insulation for Danish houses
- **Results:**
- The sound insulation for lightweight summer houses are in the order of 5 dB lower than the average of all other measurements
- Houses in the countryside do not have a lower sound insulation at low frequencies than Danish houses in general
- **Differentiated sound insulation values for summerhouse areas and residences.**
- 67%-percentile will give calculated low frequency levels for summer house areas in the order of 4,5 dB lower than for other residences.



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- **Differentiated sound insulation values – Consequences ?**

- Turbines 100 m total height or more within 1000 m from summerhouse area: 1
- Turbines 100 m total height or more within 1500 m from summerhouse area: 11
- Existing smaller turbines emitting low frequency noise:
- 750 kW turbines in Denmark: 697
- Only 7 within 500 – 1.000 m from summerhouse areas
- Big offshore windfarms close to the coast (+ 4km): small impact possible.



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- **Correction for multiple reflections at sea**

- Swedish measurements by Mathieu Boué at 10 km distance for 80, 200 and 400 Hz. Source height 30 m. 10 dB correction in 10 km distance

- Swedish method for offshore turbines:

Correction term: $\Delta L_m = 10 \log (r/1000)$
for $r > 1.000$ m

Independent of wind speed and source height



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- **Correction based on PE-modeling of sound propagation at sea**

- PE – calculations:
 - Distances: 0 - 10 km
 - Source height: 10, 20, 30, 50, 70, 100 m
 - Receiver height: 1,5 m
 - Wind speed 1 – 10 m/s
 - Temperature 15° C
 - Temperature gradient: 0
 - Surface impedance: infinite



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- Suggested correction for multiple reflections

- Threshold distance l_0

$$l_0 = 2000 \cdot \frac{h}{30} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{6}{v_{ref}}}$$

- h: hub height
 v_{ref} : wind speed component

- Rated distance $l' = \frac{l}{l_0}$

$$\Delta L_m = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } l' \leq 1 \\ 10 \cdot \log l' & \text{for } 1 < l' < 2,512 \\ N \cdot \log \frac{l'}{2,512} + 4 & \text{for } 2,512 \leq l' \leq 5 \\ 10 \cdot \log l' + (N - 10) \cdot \log \frac{5}{2,512} & \text{for } l' > 5 \end{cases}$$



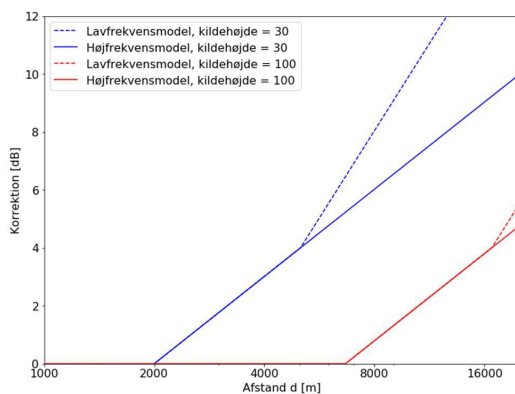
N: 20 for $f \leq 400$ Hz

10 for $f \geq 800$ Hz

$20 - 10 \cdot \frac{\log \frac{f}{400}}{\log 2}$ for $400 < f < 800$



Correction multiple reflections 6 m/s



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Adjustments legal provisions

- Possibility to order noise control measurements
- Wind turbines on land and offshore
 - When a turbine is put into operation
 - Environmental supervision
 - In connection with complaints
- Transitional provisions
- For turbines regulated by earlier issued statutory orders a new application in compliance with the newest statutory order must be submitted if the turbine is changed in a way that results in an increase in noise emission.
- The date of transition for offshore turbines is defined by the permit to establish the turbines issued by the Danish Energy Agency

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4.2 Low Frequency Sound Insulation (8-200Hz) - Mapping and Improvement of Existing Houses

Speaker: ***Bo Søndergaard, SWECO Denmark A/S***

Co-authors: *Claus Møller Petersen and Bo Søndergaard*

Abstract:

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Slides:

LOW FREQUENCY SOUND INSULATION (8-200HZ) – MAPPING AND IMPROVEMENT OF EXISTING HOUSES

Claus Møller Petersen and Bo Søndergaard
Sweco Denmark A/S – Acoustica Department

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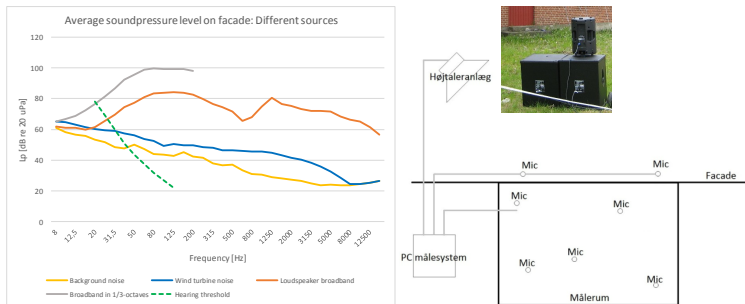
Reports:

1. "Enhanced data-basis for Danish houses insulation against low frequency noise" by Bo Søndergaard [a.o.](#) / Sweco – Acoustica
2. "New knowledge on low frequency sound insulation of houses in areas near windturbines" by Claus Møller Petersen [a.o.](#) / Sweco – Acoustica



Other participants:
Dan Hoffmeyer/ Delta – Force technology
Birgit Rasmussen/ AAU – SBI

Measurement system



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1. Mapping – building materials

New measurements (8-200 Hz)

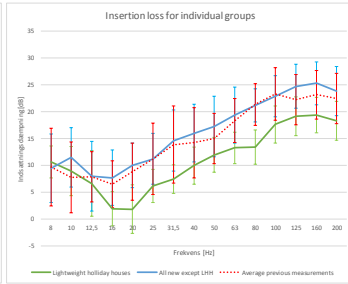
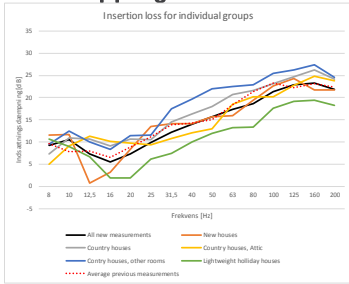
- Older/typical farmhouses
(heavy walls and double-pitch roof, most with attics used for living)
- Summer houses (lightweight constructions)

Roofs: Heavy tiled roofs, Eternit (fibre cement) -plates and more lightweight thin metal plates.

Windows: Double-glazed in all buildings

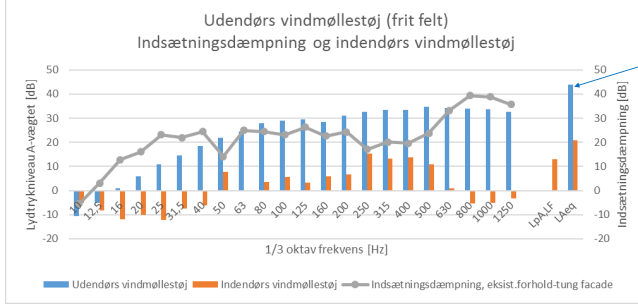
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1. Mapping - results



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Expected Indoor Wind Turbine noise



$L_{d,w} = 44$ dB is the limit for outdoor Wind Turbine-noise at 8 m/s for houses at the country side

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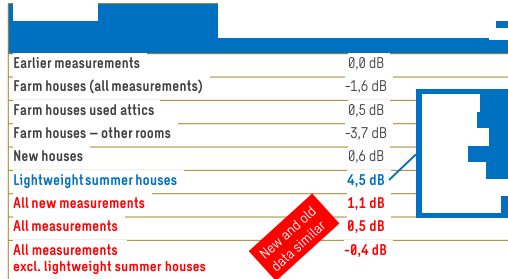
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1. Mapping. Changes in indoor LF WT noise

Indoor noise $L_{pA,LF}$ (10-160 Hz)
calculated using:

- Existing facade insulation data compared to the new data
- Standard Wind Turbine noise spectrum with $SPI = 44 \text{ dB}^*$ at the facade of a farm house which equals the noise limits at the countryside.

*) This applies to SPI calculated at 500 m distance from the houses, and height 90 m at 8 m/s wind speed 10 m above ground.



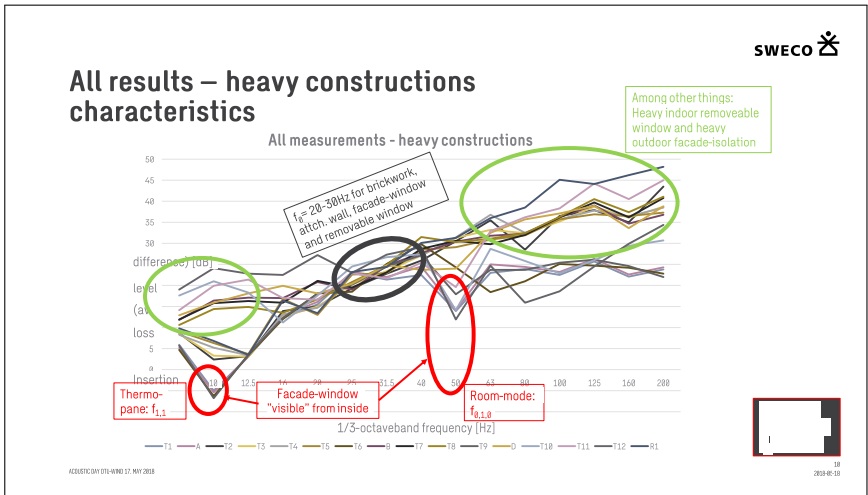
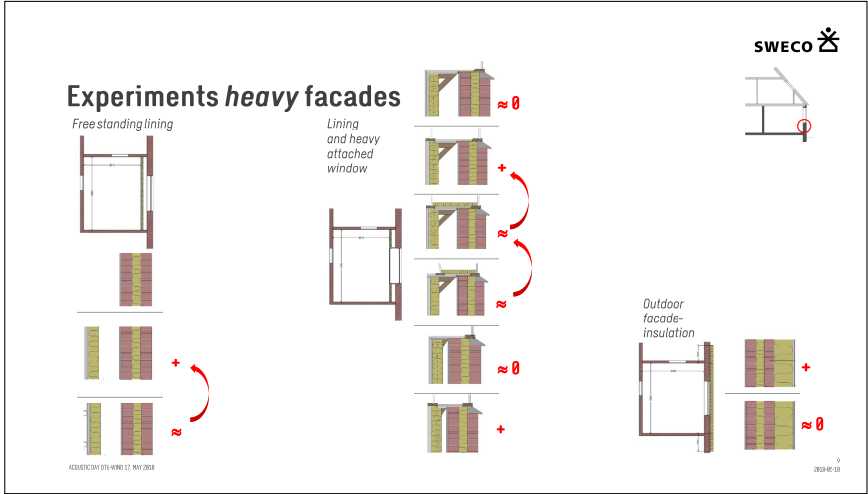
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2. New knowledge - project content

- Background
 - Why $f < 20 \text{ Hz}$?
 - Can you hear it – and can you do anything by the buildings?
- Literature
 - Sparsely output of 57 reports, articles, papers (only 14 on sound insulation $f=10-160 \text{ Hz}$ and 14 on $f>50 \text{ Hz}$). A little about windows
- Experiments in typical building type(-s)
 - Heavy (ground floor)
 - Lightweight (1st floor)

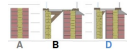
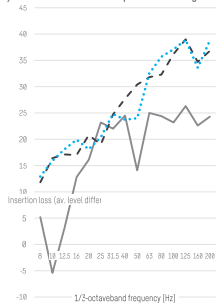


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Heavy constructions – cavity and attachment

Effect of indoor linings 5 x 13 mm gypsumplates with heavy removable window compared to existing heavy construction



- A: Existing facade with thermowindow
- - B: Effect of free-standing lining (300 mm cavity) with heavy removable window
- ... D: Effect of attached lining (150 mm cavity) with heavy removable window

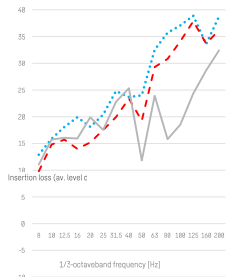
Free-standing lining nearly similar to attached lining. Remark negative insulation at 10 Hz

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Heavy constructions – indoor vs. outdoor insulation

Effect of indoor vs. outdoor lining - heavy construction (all with removable window)



- ... D: Indoor attach. lining (3 plates, 150 mm cavity w/100 mm glass wool)
- - E: Outdoor insulation (200 mm glass wool) with 2 plates and plaster
- F: Outdoor insulation (200 mm glass wool) with plaster

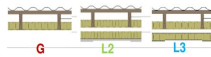
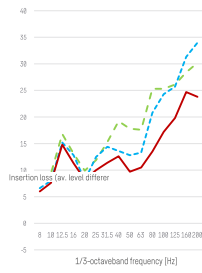
Outdoor insulation with gypsum plates similar to indoor attached lining

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Detailed results – **lightweight** constructions

Effect of number of gypsumplates (independent ceiling) compared to existing – lightweight construction



- L2: As G plus indep. ceiling w/ 3 gypsumplates
- L3: As G plus indep. ceiling w/1 gypsumplate
- G: Existing roof and window

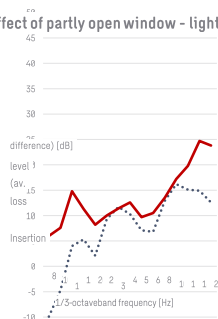
Number of plates is important (3 better than 1 layer)

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Detailed results – **TAKE CARE** on open windows

Effect of partly open window - lightweight construction

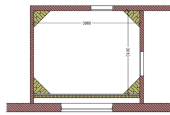


- Window 5 cm open
- G: Existing conditions

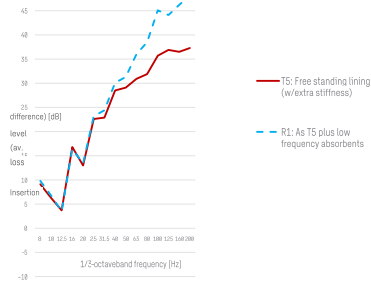
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Experiments - room acoustics



Effect lowfrequency absorbers - heavy construction

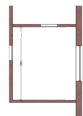


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Indoors windturbine-noise – heavy facade

Existing building



A $L_{pA,LF}$ $L_{pA,total}$
13 dB 21 dB

OK re. $L_{pA,LF}$ - threshold limiting value: 20 dB

Lining and – heavy window



B $L_{pA,LF}$ $L_{pA,total}$
2 dB 5 dB

D 3 dB 5 dB

Outdoor facade insulation with plates



E $L_{pA,LF}$ $L_{pA,total}$
7 dB 8 dB

(calculated with indoor heavy, removable window)



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Indoor Wind Turbine noise - *lightweight* "facade"

	$L_{pA,LF}$	$L_{pA,total}$	
G	20 dB	24 dB	Just OK re. $L_{nA,LF}$ - threshold limiting value: 20 dB
K	13 dB	14 dB	
J	15 dB	16 dB	
H	15 dB	15 dB	

(calculated with indoor heavy, removable window)

Perspectives/future work LF-sound insulation

Technical:
More analysis in normal and enhanced frequency area (25/50/100-3150 Hz)

"New" $C_{WT,50-3150}$ - adaption term
(evt. $C_{WT,25-3150}$)
WT = WindTurbine

Purpose:
Simple calculation of A-weighted indoor windturbine noise

$$L_{A,indoor} = L_{A,outdoor} - (R'_w + C_{WT,50-3150}) + 10 \cdot \log(S/A)$$

Perhaps economical subsidies to LF-facadeinsulation of houses - à la road- and railway noise

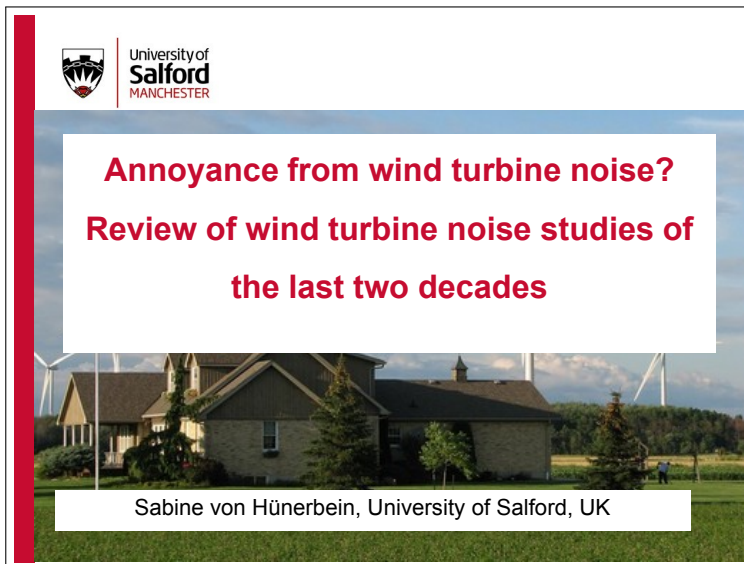
4.3 Annoyance from wind turbine noise? Review of wind turbine noise studies of the last two decades

Speaker: *Sabine von Hünenbein*, University of Salford (UK)

Abstract:

In agreement with other environmental noise literature, most work on the annoyance from wind turbines has focussed on noise. Notable work has been carried out in Sweden, the Netherlands, Japan, China, Canada and the US. Their results seem to show that the noise from wind turbines starts to annoy at sound levels that are much lower than that of other sources such as road or rail traffic. At the same time other factors are identified that also correlate highly with annoyance ratings. The presentation will critically review the evidence and raise the question whether it is time to shift the focus from noise annoyance to a much broader view on the factors affecting the acceptance of wind energy installations.

Slides:





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Introduction

- ‡ Growing body of literature (> 200) on wind energy impact
- ‡ Majority of rejected planning applications due to noise concerns
- ‡ Major 'health outcome' annoyance
- ‡ Mostly related to wind turbine noise
- ‡ Dose-response relations derived
- ‡ Are they the best measures?



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Annoyance definition



- Disturbance of activities (noise related)
- Emotional/attitudinal response
- Cognitive response

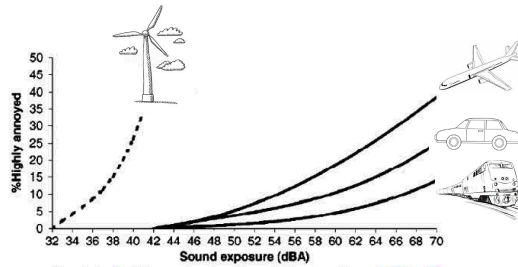
Guski, Schreckenberg, & Schuemer, 2017

<https://www.sciencesquared.eu/news/traffic-noise-more-merely-annoying-it-cause-serious-ill-health>



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Dose-response for wind turbine noise?



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<http://randacoustics.com/wind-turbine-sound/annoyance/>



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Common exposure measures

- $L_{Aeq, 1h}$: equivalent A-weighted averaged sound level
- L_{den} : 24 h time weighted average L_{Aeq}
+0 dB 7am-7pm, +5 dB 7-10pm, +10 dB 10pm-7am
- L_{dn} : 24 h time weighted average L_{Aeq}
+0 dB +10 dB 22.00-7.00



Common outcome measures

% HA: Highly Annoyed

5 Very annoyed

4 Very

5 Extremely

% A: Annoyed

3 Slightly annoyed

4 Rather annoyed

5 Very annoyed

2 Slightly

3 Moderately

4 Very

5 Extremely

Or any combination of sub-ratings
% SA, MA, VA, EA:

Verbal scales

1 Do not notice
2 Notice, but not annoyed
3 Slightly annoyed
4 Rather annoyed
5 Very annoyed

1 Not at all
2 Slightly
3 Moderately
4 Very
5 Extremely

9 Inaudible
1 Not at all
2 Slightly
3 Moderately
4 Very
5 Extremely
98 Refusal
99 Don't know



Dose-response studies

Pedersen 2004
Sweden,
N = 351

Pedersen 2007
Sweden,
N = 751

Pedersen *et al.* 2009
NL, N = 725

Kuwano 2014
Japan, N =
651 (332)

Michaud *et al.*, 2016
Canada, N = 1238

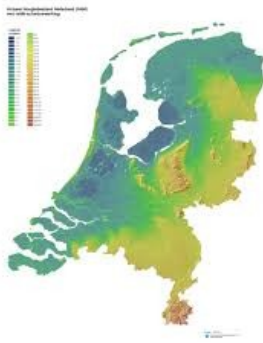
China,
N = 227
Song, 2016

N & pane size = participant no, colour code dominant terrain type



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Sweden 2000/2005, NL



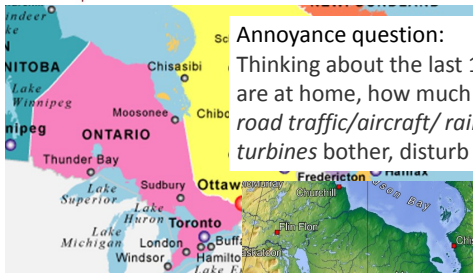
Annoyance question:

“State for each nuisance below if you notice or are annoyed when you spend time *outdoors/indoors* at your dwelling: odour from industries, odour from manure, flies, noise from hay fans, noise from wind turbines, railway noise, road traffic noise, lawn mowers.



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Annoyance question:

Thinking about the last 12 months, when you are at home, how much does noise from *road traffic/aircraft/ railways or trains/wind turbines* bother, disturb or annoy you?

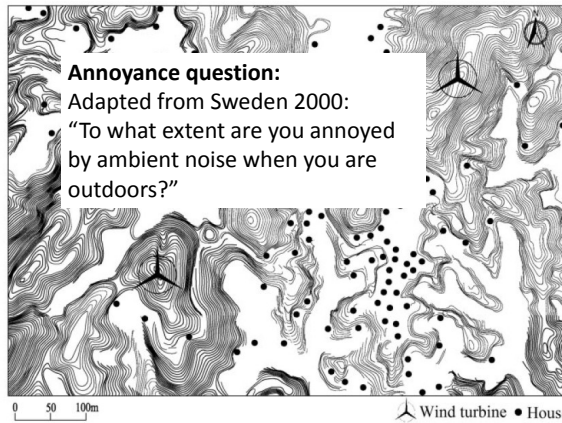
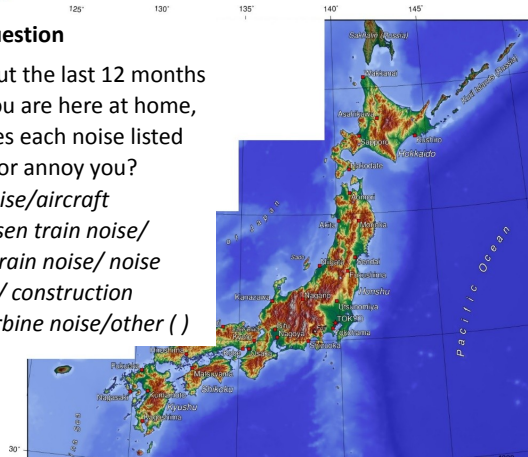




Annoyance question

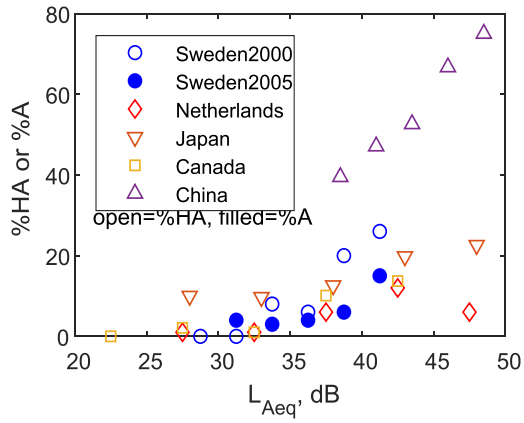
“Thinking about the last 12 months or so, when you are here at home, how much does each noise listed below bother or annoy you?”

- road traffic noise/aircraft noise/shinkansen train noise/conventional train noise/ noise from factories/ construction noise/wind turbine noise/other ()*

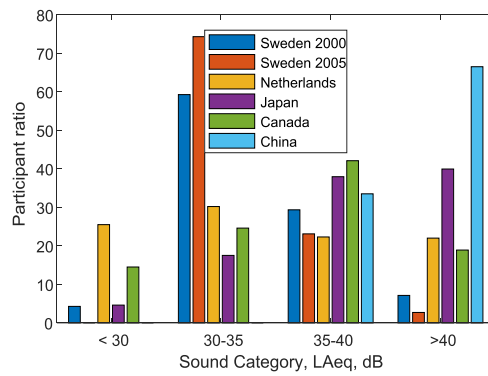




Study comparison

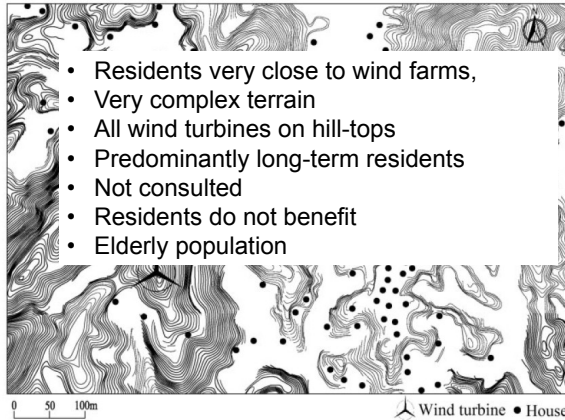


Percentage of participants in exposure categories

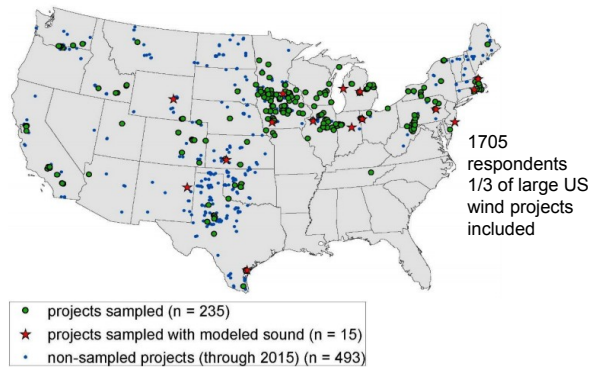




China, 2015



Attitude towards local wind project, US, 2016



Hoen, B., J. Firestone, J. Rand, D. Elliott, G. Hübner, J. Pohl, R. Wiser, E. Lantz (2018) Overall Analysis of Attitudes of 1,705 Wind Power Project Neighbors. Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory. Preliminary Results Webinar. January 30, 2018.



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US study focus

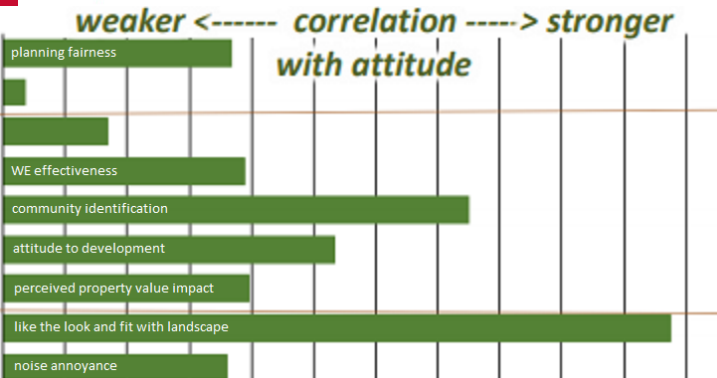
Central research question:

- What is your attitude toward the local wind project now?
- Independent variables in 5 groups
 - 1.Planning process/arrival into area
 - 2.Related attitudes
 - 3.Sensory perceptions
 - 4.Project characteristics, compensation
 - 5.Demographics



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Attitude towards local wind project, multivariate regression



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Conclusions

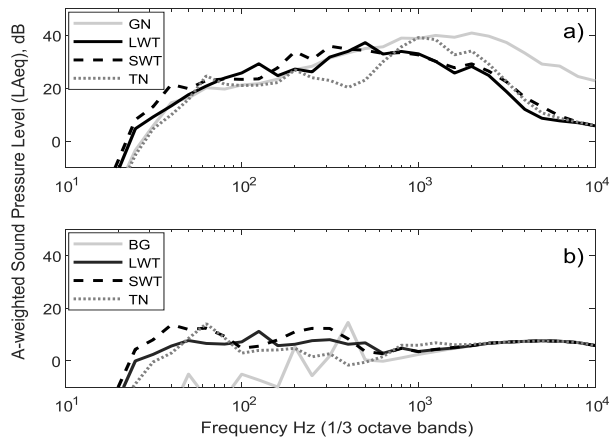
- Dose-response relations do not describe impact of wind power installations
- Many factors affect impact of wind energy
- Inclusion bias affects study outcomes
- Research into special sound properties of wind turbines is needed
- Wind turbine noise concern remains one of the most significant obstacles to project development

Danish Wind Turbines in Copenhagen Harbour. Image credit: CGP Grey.
<http://reversehomesickness.com/europe/wind-turbines-in-denmark/> | Europe | Pinterest



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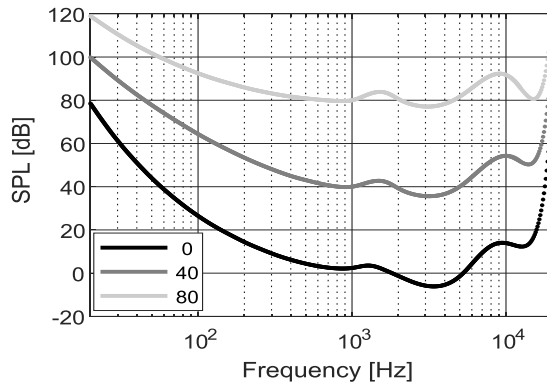
Comparative Spectra





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Equal loudness contours



5 Session #2

#1 Continued & Industry Perspectives

This session is dedicated to wind turbine manufacturers and their activities concerning noise issues for their products. Note that the first presentation by Lars Søndergaard belongs to the topics of Session #1.

5.1 Measurement at neighbor position



Speaker: *Lars S. Søndergaard*, DELTA - a part of FORCE Technology

Abstract:

Project for the Danish EPA to investigate whether the current guidelines for measurement of noise emission and noise propagation calculation from wind turbines described in the Danish Statutory Order give an accurate noise contribution at residents and to make measurements under conditions other than the Danish Statutory Order prescribes.

Slides:

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17. May 2018



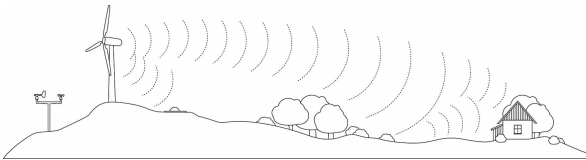
Measurement at neighbor position

- Noise measurements at wind turbines and neighbors at Nollund compared with calculations and legislation for noise regulation
- Project for Danish Environmental Protection Agency

Background



- Present regulation for wind turbine noise in Denmark (fx BEK1736)
 - Sound power level measurements
 - 6 and 8 m/s
 - Downwind wind direction
 - Calculation of noise level at neighbors
- Frequent questions / statements:
 - Why don't you measure the noise where we live?
 - Why do you measure in / assume downwind wind direction?
 - Why do you only measure at 6 and 8 m/s
 - The level of low frequency noise are higher than you calculate!



Primary purpose/questions



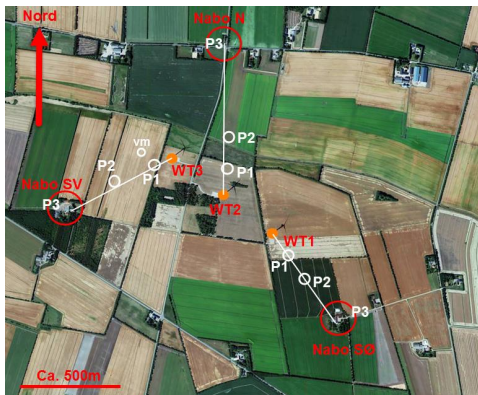
- Are there systematic differences between measurements and calculations? (both at downwind, 6-8 m/s and in other situations, outdoor and indoor)
- Does other wind speeds than 6 and 8 m/s give
 - Other noise?
 - More prominent tones?
 - More low frequency noise?
- Does other wind direction than downwind from turbine to neighbor give
 - More noise?
 - More prominent tones?
 - More low frequency noise?
- (Can wind turbine noise be measured in neighbor distance?)

Strategy



- Site and neighbors chosen and contacted by Danish EPA
- Neighbors offered to be relocated for a time period
- Initial visit to neighbors:
 - Neighbors has pointed out relevant measurement positions indoors
 - Neighbors has provided their perception of the wind turbine noise
- Measurements at large number of measurement positions over “long” time period
- Measurements both close to the turbines, in a medium position and at neighbors to ensure usable signal-to-noise ratio
- Large variation of wind speed and wind direction
- Calculations both according to BEK 1736 and Nord2000

Site – Nollund at Grindsted



Neighbor to southeast, WT1 P3



Neighbor to north, WT2 P3



Neighbor to southwest, WT3 P3



Large amount of synchronized equipment



x 6 + x 3 + x 6 + x 3

Plus data from turbines (produced power, nacelle wind speed, generator RPM and wind direction)

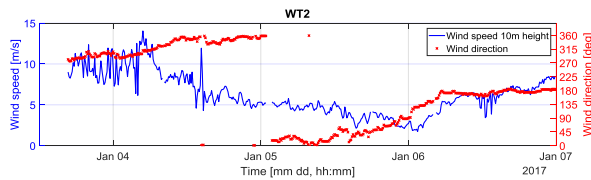
Challenges



- Arrangements – coordination of
 - equipment
 - weather
 - manpower
 - access (neighbours)
- Large amount of equipment
 - Calibration
 - Insurance
- Desire to measure over multiple continues days
 - No rain
 - Many different wind speeds
 - Many different wind directions
- DK closely populated -> background noise
- Temperature <0 degrees
- Domestic animals

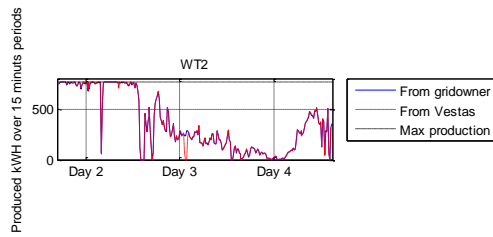


Weather during the measurements

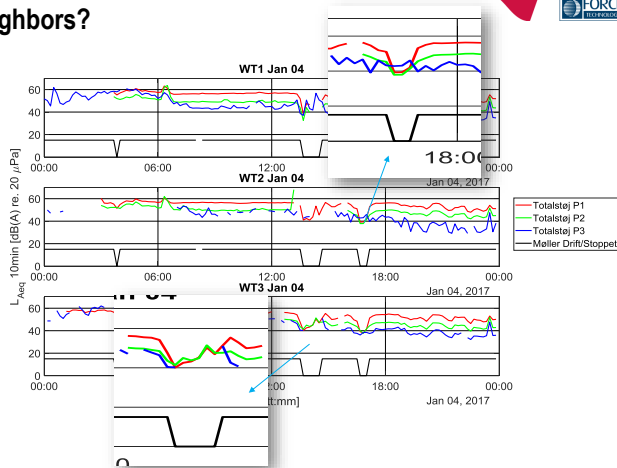


Date	Temperature	Humidity	Cloud cover	Air pressure
8. december 2016	8 to 11 °C	85 - 99 %	2/8 - 8/8	1016 - 1017 hPa
3. januar 2017	3 - 7 °C	70 - 80 %	4/8 - 8/8	990 - 1000 hPa
4. januar 2017	-3 - 5 °C	50 - 85 %	0/8 - 7/8	990 - 1020 hPa
5. januar 2017	-10 - -3 °C	57 - 92 %	0/8 - 6/8	1020 - 1040hPa
6. januar 2017	-12 - -5 °C	80 - 90 %	0/8 - 8/8	1030 - 1040 hPa

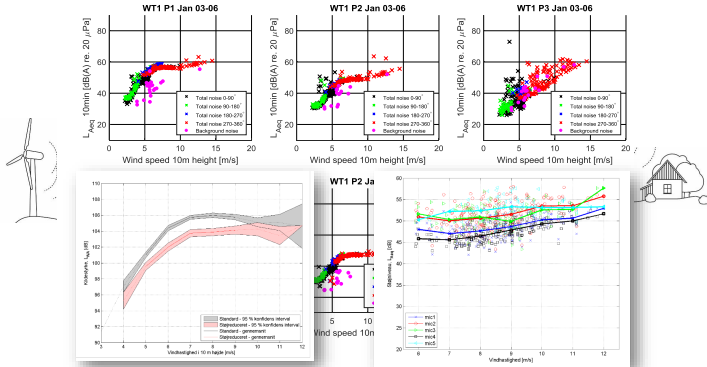
Control of turbine load



Can wind turbine noise be measured at neighbors?



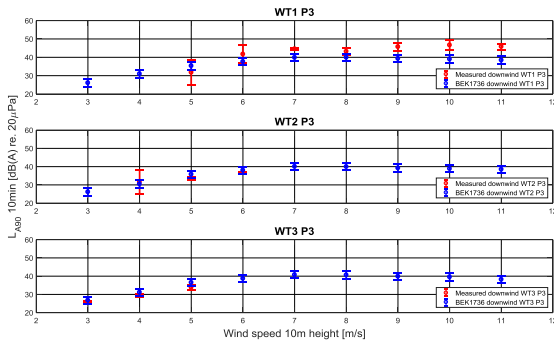
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Measurements compared to calculations, BEK 1736

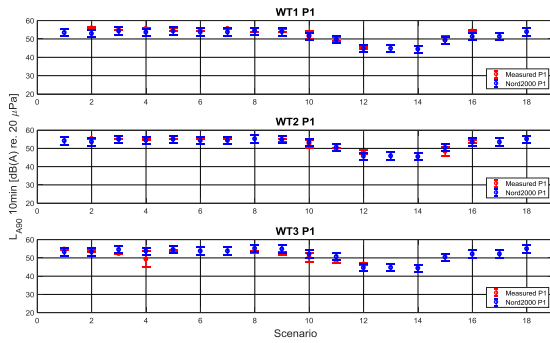


Nord2000 scenarios

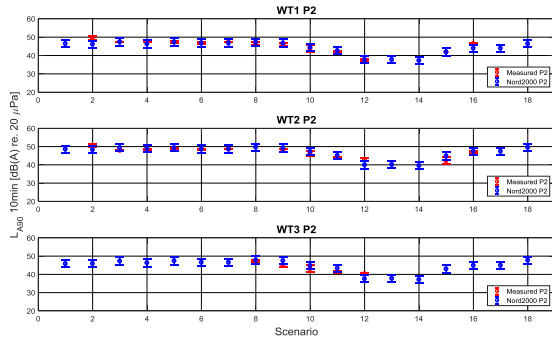


Scenario	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Cloud cover [1/8]	6	1	1	3	4	7	6	6	0
Wind speed 10m [m/s]	9.6	10.8	8.4	8.6	8.4	8.8	8.7	7.2	7.0
Wind dir. [deg.]	294	311	329	222	355	349	345	348	346
Temperature [deg.]	5	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	-1
Humidity [%]	70	74	70	68	69	69	69	73	55
Scenario	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Cloud cover [1/8]	0	1	5	5	0	0	0	0	8
Wind speed 10m [m/s]	6.4	5.3	4.3	3.9	4.0	5.4	6.1	6.3	6.6
Wind dir. [deg.]	355	358	20	14	48	179	171	170	175
Temperature [deg.]	-2	-3	-5	-5	-6	-8	-7	-4	-3
Humidity [%]	63	93	73	85	56	87	80	68	70

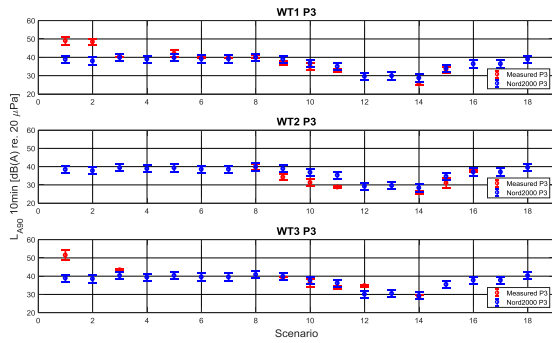
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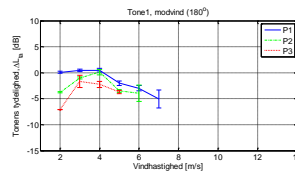
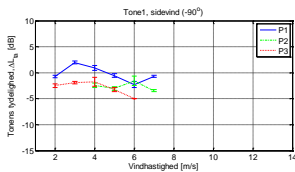
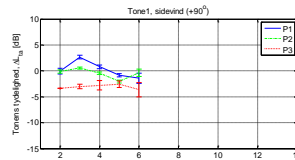
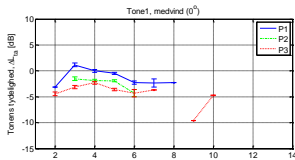
Measurements compared to calculations, BEK 1736



Does other wind speeds than 6 and 8 m/s and/or other wind directions than downwind give more prominent tones?



900-1800 Hz



Summary



- Good consistency between measured and calculated noise levels (both 10 – 10.000 Hz and 10 – 160 Hz), and no systematic differences are observed
- Difficult to measure wind turbine noise at neighbor position (due to background noise)
- Other wind speeds than 6 and 8 m/s
 - The A-weighted noise level corresponds to what can be calculated on the basis of measured sound power levels for the wind turbines for other wind speeds than 6 and 8 m/s.
 - Eventual tones in the noise from the turbines are not necessarily most audible at the wind speeds 6 and 8 m/s. More audible tones are observed at lower wind speeds
- Other wind directions than downwind
 - For the examined wind directions higher noise level are not observed when comparing downwind with other wind directions.
 - Eventual tones in the noise from the turbines can be more audible in other wind directions than downwind.

Ideas for future work



- Large dataset -> Can always be analyzed more / correlations investigated
- Amplitude Modulation
 - 1 of 9 outdoor mic positions analyzed for AM
 - Analyzed remaining 8 positions
 - Correlation between nearfield and farfield AM?
 - Indoor AM?
- Tonality
 - Significance of day/night time?
 - Correlation with local wind speed (10 m met mast)



Thank you for your attention
Questions?



Danish EPA report:



Internoise 2017:



<https://www2.mst.dk/udgiv/publikationer/2017/11/978-87-93614-35-2.pdf>

http://assets.madebydelta.com/docs/share/Akustik/Wind_turbine_noise_at_neighbor_dwelling%2C_comparing_calculations_and_measurements.pdf

5.2 Developments in acoustics at Vestas Wind Systems A/S

Speaker: *Jérémy Hurault, Vestas Wind Systems A/S*

Co-authors: *Jérémy Hurault, Kaj Dam Madsen, Mohammad Kamruzzaman and Francesco Grasso*

Abstract:

The presentation will hold a short introduction on the perspectives and then a more detailed presentation on aero-acoustic developments.

Slides:



Outline

1. Vestas, the global leader in wind technology
2. Low CoE, Low Noise Turbines
3. Designing for Low Noise Aeroacoustics:
 1. Optimal trade-off between tip speed and PowerTrain lay-out
 2. Airfoils optimised for both Aerodynamics and Acoustics
 3. Sound reducing blade add-ons (Serrated Trailing Edges)
 4. Prediction and Validation
4. Conclusion

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+ 23,300

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+38,892

We have a total of 38,892 combined turbines under service, or around 76 GW



+ 63,500

We have more than 63,500 turbines or 90 GW of installed wind power capacity in 77 countries worldwide spanning six continents



€ 10,0bn

Vestas' revenue for 2017 was EUR 10,0bn

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Versatile solutions for any wind energy project

Ongoing innovation from the undisputed global wind leader



2 MW PLATFORM



4 MW PLATFORM

PRODUCT-CAPACITY	V90-2.0 MW	V100- 2.0 MW	V110- 2.0 MW	V116 2.0 MW	V120 2.0 MW	V105 3.45 MW	V112- 3.45 MW	V117- 3.45 MW	V117- 4.2 MW	V126- 3.45 MW	V136- 3.45 MW	V136- 4.2 MW	V150- 4.2 MW
YEAR OF PROTOTYPE	2004	2009	2014	2017	2018	2014	2013	2013	2018	2013	2016	2018	2018
	Installed* 40 GW					Installed** 17 GW							

* As of 9 November 2017, including V90-1.8/2.0 MW and V90-1.8 MW

** As of 9 November 2017, including V112-3.0 MW

Not shown: V90-3.0 MW, constituting 9 GW

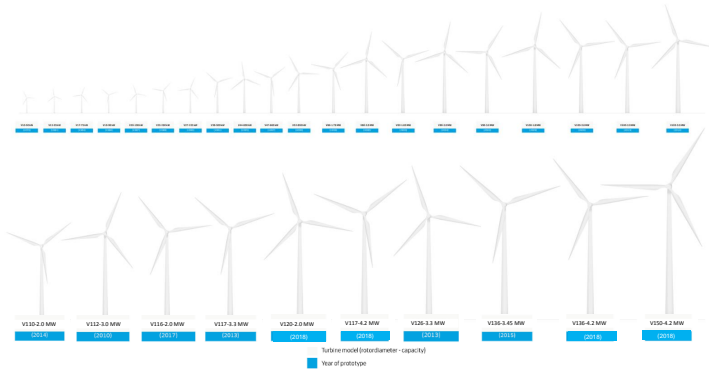
Not shown: Other turbine models constituting 23 GW.

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Technology evolution



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Innovating to lower the cost of energy

Delivering value every step of the way

Profitably bringing market-driven, innovative solutions to our customers.

Custom configurations based on modularised building blocks.

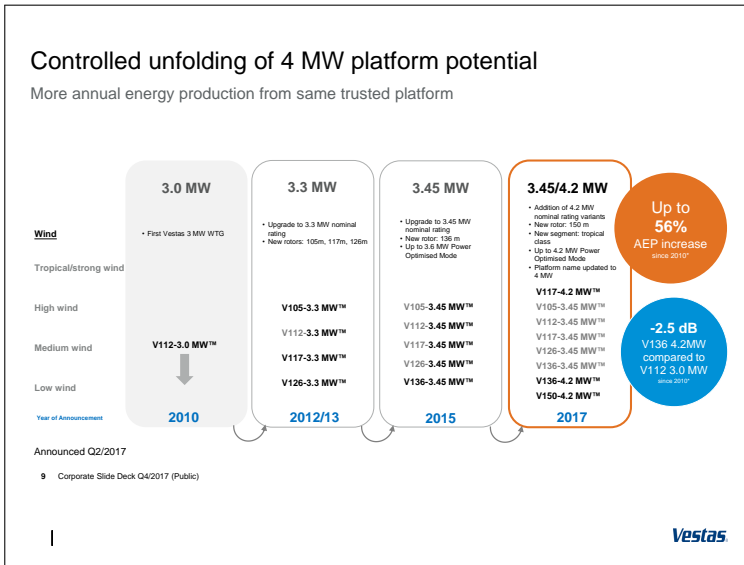
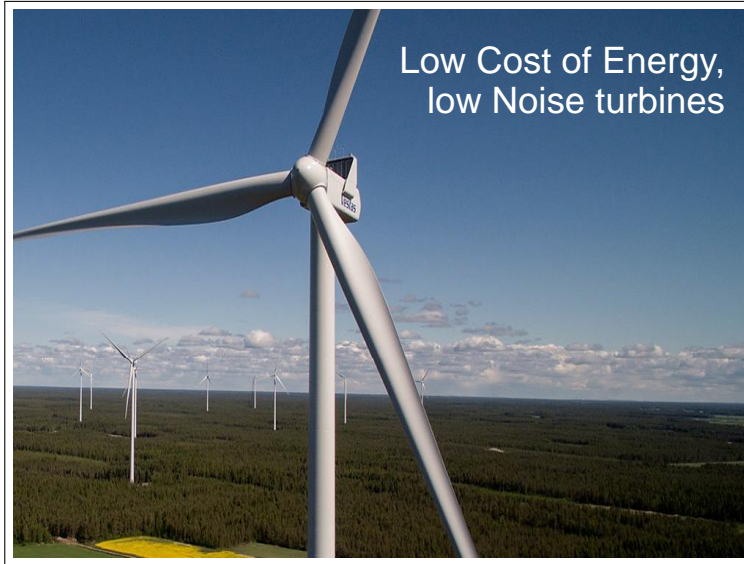
Broad and flexible product portfolio to precisely meet the unique needs of every site.

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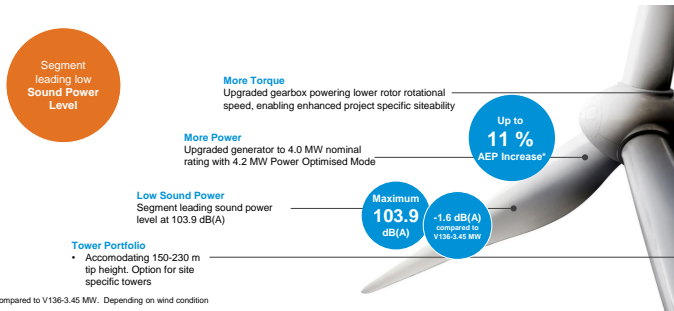
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V136-4.2 MW™ Turbine Variant

High production at industry leading sound power levels



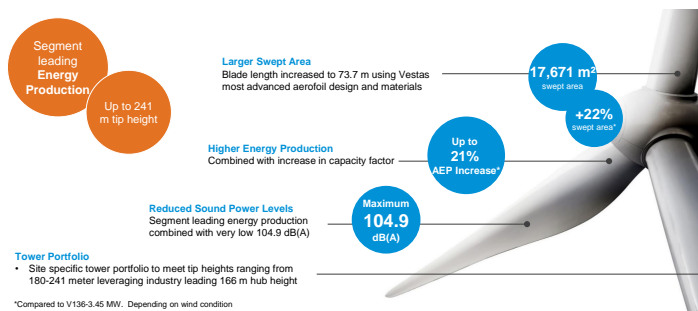
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V150-4.2 MW™ Turbine Variant

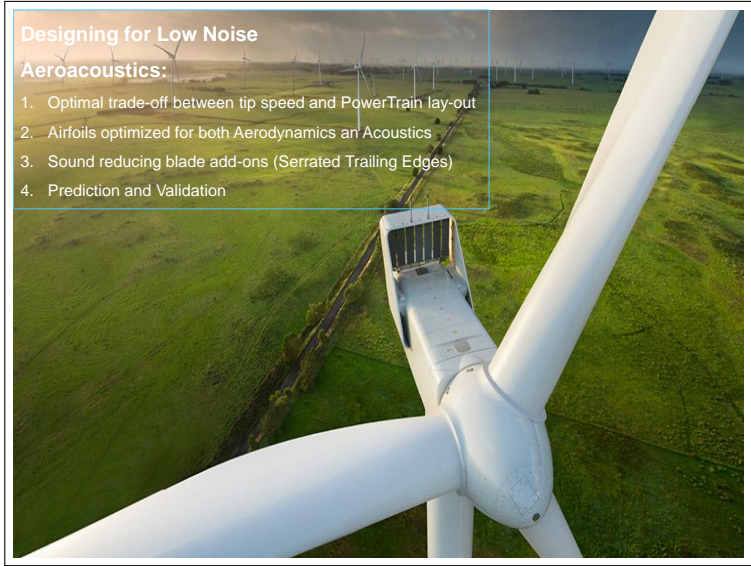
Highest yielding onshore low wind turbine in the industry



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1. Optimal trade-off between tip speed and PowerTrain lay-out

- Tip speed, correlated with noise emission $\sim U^5$
- But, low tip speed means higher drive train cost (higher torque to transmit)
- System approach to carefully select tip speed for Low cost of Energy and Maintain noise emission below target



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2. Rotor Design for Aerodynamic Noise Performance

- Blade shape design by gradient based optimizer:



- Blade design based on Vestas optimised airfoils:

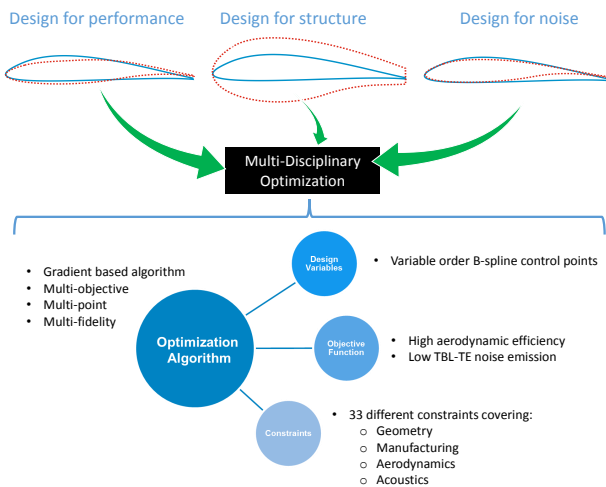
- Airfoil design and selection
 - Multi Disciplinary Optimization
 - Simulation and extensive wind tunnel testing
 - Building on extensive experience and database



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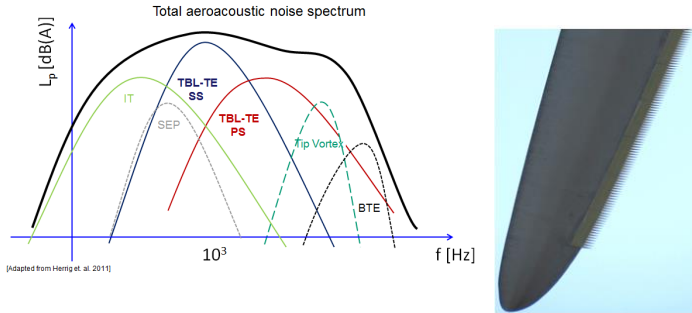
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3. Serrations for Reduction of Trailing Edge Noise

Typical wind turbine noise spectrum, without mechanical noise

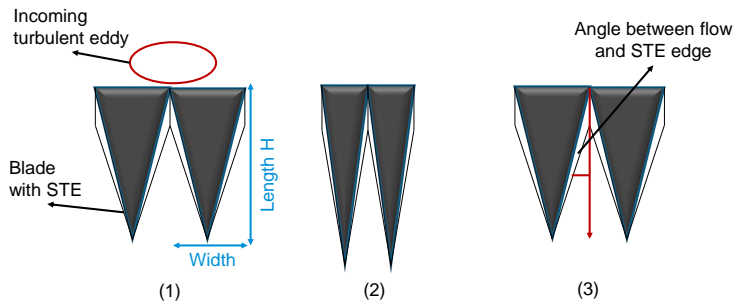


- For a typical MW class wind turbine, Trailing Edge noise is the dominant noise source
- TE noise can be addressed by application of serrations

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Key Parameters for Efficient Serration Design



1. Serration dimensions H to local turbulence scale ratio (Howe: $H \sim BL$ thickness, $St = w h/Uc \gg 1$)
2. Serration length H to width λ ratio and (Howe: $H/\lambda > 1$)
3. The angle between local flow direction and serration edge (Howe: $\phi < 45^\circ$)

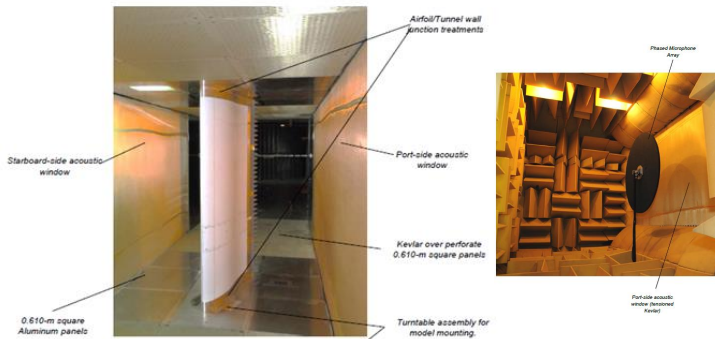
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Virginia Tech(VT) Stability wind tunnel

Test set-up description



- ❑ Specific wall treatment and foam to minimize background noise
- ❑ Good signal to noise ratio up to $Re=4m/Ma=0.21$
- ❑ Very low inflow turbulence $TI < 0.03\%$

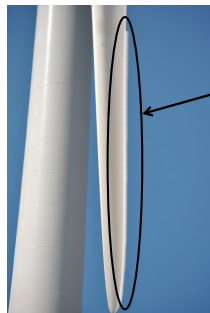
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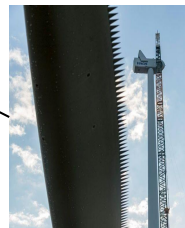
Full scale wind turbine validation

Wind tunnel design guidelines transferred to full scale blades

- ❑ Best compromise in terms of noise reduction and loads management derived from wind tunnel experiments
- ❑ Design adapted for 3D full scale blade



Serration prototypes have been installed on various Vestas turbines*



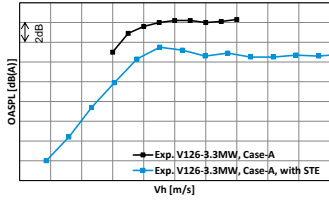
Vestas FB page, V136

- ❑ One microphone IEC sound power measurement with and without serrations at several noise modes

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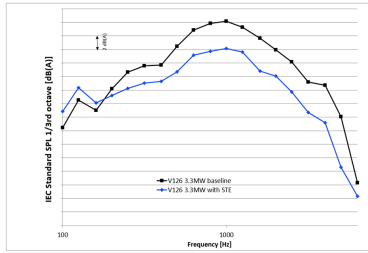
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STE Noise Reduction Performance Gen 1: V126 3.3 MW



- More than 2dB(A) reduction were found with first design iteration

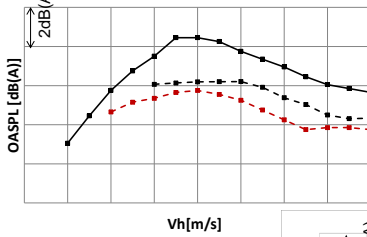
- Efficient reduction at peak frequency by 4 dB(A)



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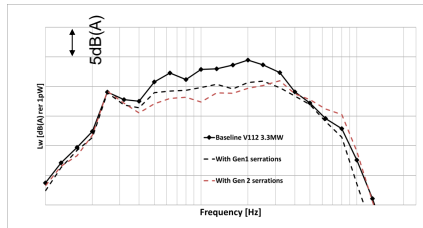
STE Noise Reduction Performance Gen 2: V112-3.3MW

Improved STE design



- -1dB further reduction with improved STE design method leads to **-3dB** reduction with Vestas turbines

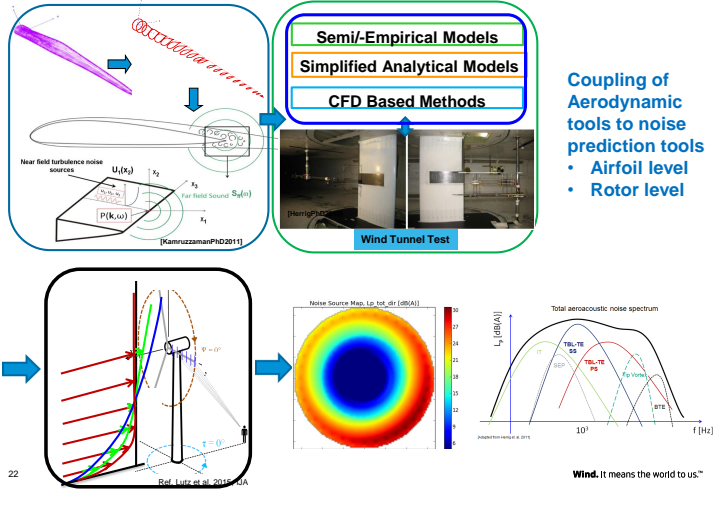
- New Gen 2 serrations provides >5dBA in some frequency band around peak noise



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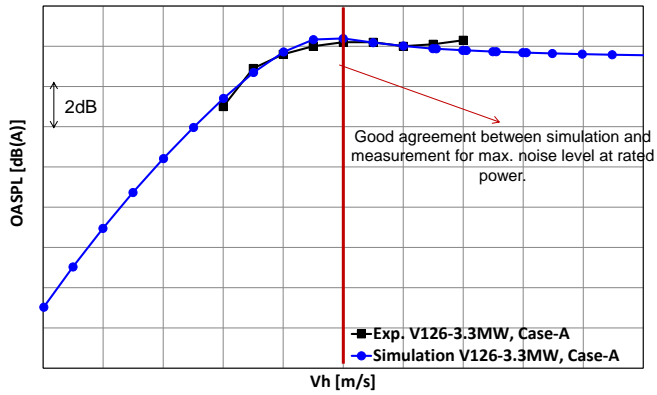
4. Aeroacoustic Prediction and Validation



Rotor Noise Simulation: Validation & Assessment

Case #	Turbine	Rotor Diameter [m]	Hub height, [m]	Wind Class & Other Info
A	V126-3.3MW	126m	116m	IEC 3A
B	V112-3.3MW	112m	116m	IEC 2B
C	V136-3.45MW	136m	116m	IEC 2A

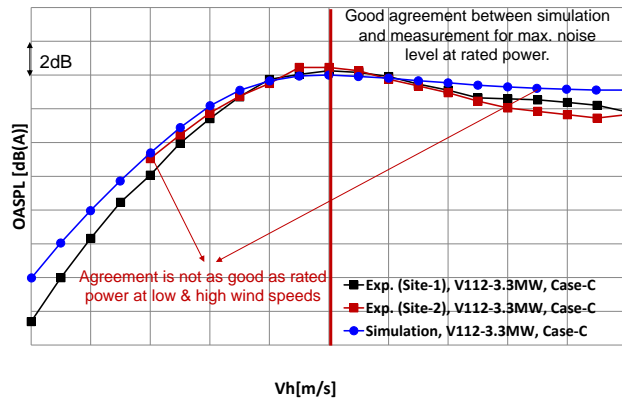
V126 3.3MW: Exp. vs Sim., OASPL



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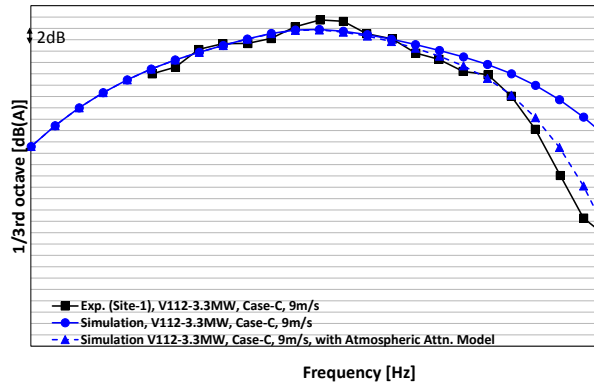
V112 3.3MW: Exp. vs Sim., OASPL



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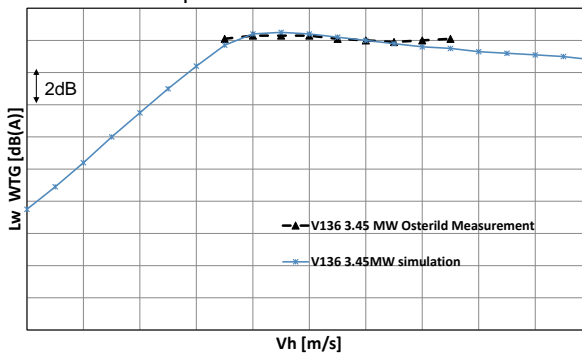
V112 3.3MW: Exp. vs Sim., Noise Spectra



- Good agreement at all frequencies
- Atmospheric attenuation model is required for a good fit at high frequency although little impact the OASPL

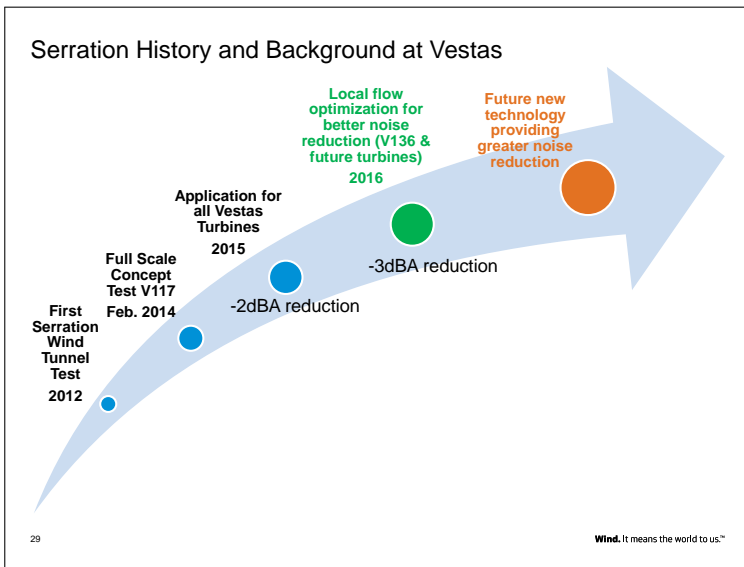
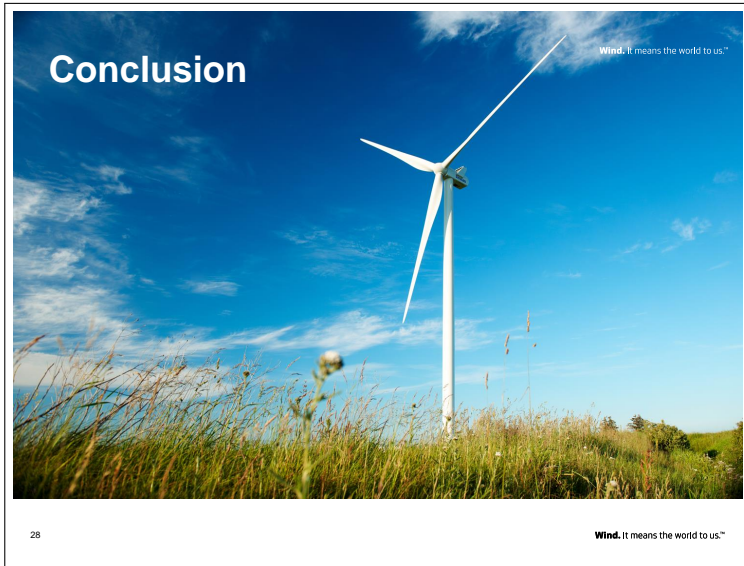
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V136 3.45MW: Exp. vs Sim. OASPL



- Simulation is within +/- 0.5dB of the measurement for available wind speed

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Conclusion

- Vestas has been extensively taking into account aeroacoustics noise source in WTG design since 2012

- The 3 key axis of this strategy are:
 1. Optimal trade-off between tip speed and PowerTrain lay-out
 2. Airfoils optimized for both Aerodynamics and Acoustics
 3. Sound reducing blade add-ons (Serrated Trailing Edges)


- An aeroacoustic noise prediction tool has been developed to support development and research into next generation quiet wind turbines
 - Good agreement between simulation vs measurement are found
 - Predicted overall sound power level (OASPL) at the rated power region is within $\pm 0.5\text{dB}$ uncertainty range.

- This serration add-ons has been developed and validated for all Vestas turbines, up to 3dBA noise reduction at the rated power

- Vestas will keep developing low noise rotor further, utilizing low noise airfoils and add-ons technology

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5.3 Developments in wind turbine noise: limitations and opportunities

Speaker: *Tomas R. Hansen*, Siemens Gamesa Renewable Energy A/S

Abstract:

Noise from wind turbines is one of the constraining factors for how many wind turbines will be built in the future and thereby how much clean energy we can produce by use of onshore wind turbines. What will be the important factors to ensure turbines also in the future? Which are the limitations Siemens-Gamesa sees in the market related to noise and how do we react to this?

Slides:



Developments in wind turbine noise:
Limitations and opportunities

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Limitations and opportunities

Limitations

- Noise regulations are becoming more and more detailed and setting up more strict regulations for wind turbine noise in order to protect neighbors.
- At SiemensGamesa see this as a necessary and positive development to secure a stable market in the future and ensure further development of clean and sustainable energy
- In some onshore markets 20 to 40% of all turbines are noise reduced
- This result in substantial loss of power output from the turbines

Therefore development of low noise technology have a high priority for SiemensGamesa

Developments in low noise technology

Low noise technology is a wide range of developments in the turbine

We are working in 3 main areas:

Noise reduction at the source:

- Blade design
- Blade add-on

But also a wider perspective on the wind turbine noise:

- Control features
 - Turbine level
 - Park level



Air absorption and frequency spectrum – example

Dino tails and vortex generators

Sound Power spectrum of a 101 m rotor with and without DinoTails and extra VG's

A-weighted Sound Power Level reduced

$$L_{WA} = -1.1 \text{ dB}$$



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Air absorption and frequency spectrum – example

Due to air absorption the positive influence of the changed shape of the spectrum increases with increasing distance to the turbine it influence L_{WA}

A-weighted Sound Power Level, L_{WA} : -1.1 dB

The Add-on kit influence in neighbor locations (ISO 9613-1:1993, 10 °C, 80 % RH, 1 ATM)

- 500 m, $L_{p,A}$: -2.4 dB
- 1000 m, $L_{p,A}$: -3.0 dB
- 2000 m, $L_{p,A}$: -3.8 dB

We do have two examples in DK where the customer don't need to use low noise settings anymore

In one case 6 turbines were changed from -3 dB setting to standard setting using this effect

This is real noise reduction at the receiver position!

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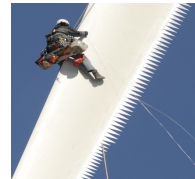
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SiemensGamesa DinoTails

Flap with serrated trailing edge

- Applied to outer part of the blade
- DinoTails introduced by Siemens around 2002
- Reduce noise and increase power output
- Serrations are now industry state-of-the-art



Can we do even better than DinoTails?

- Yes we can 😊

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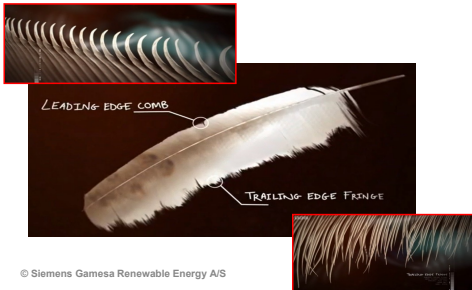
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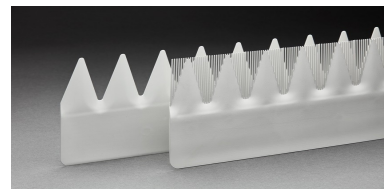
DinoTail Next Generation

Inspiration from the silent flight of the owl

- Owls fly much quieter than other birds
- Low-noise wing technology
- Can we apply this to wind turbine blades?



New concept: combed teeth



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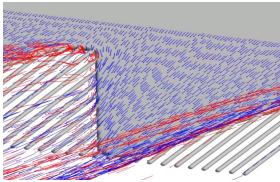
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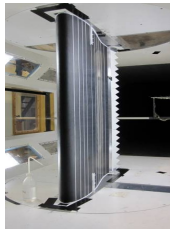
Design and performance

Advanced design and validation methods

- Optimized for acoustics, performance and structural integrity
- Numerical computations, wind tunnel and field testing
- DinoTail-NG shows substantial noise reduction at all wind speeds
- No adverse effects on aerodynamic performance



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Comparison of noise spectra of 3 modern turbines

3 turbines from our product portfolio

Rotor size between 110 and 135 m.

Different blade design philosophy
and different add-on

- 106.0 dB is the smallest and oldest rotor
- 106,1 dB is the largest rotor but different blade design and add on
- 107 is the most modern rotor and conservative in number and spectral shape

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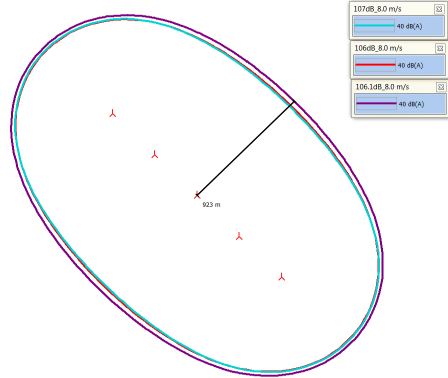
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Comparison of noise spectra of 3 modern turbines

Results

- 5 turbines in a row
- noise limit 40 dB (Sweden)
- Spectra not normalized to equal level

The noise looks almost similar but some important differences occur while looking closely at the lines:



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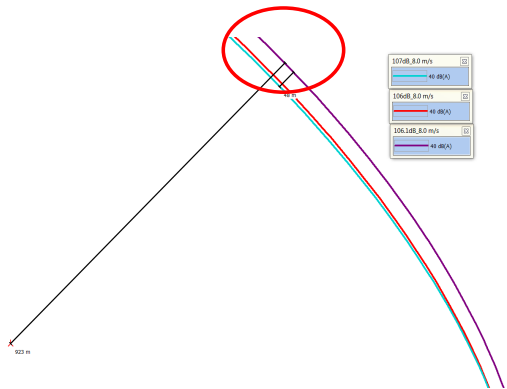
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- The 107.0 dB turbine do have the lowest noise impact at the receiver position
- Noise limit is 48 m further away for the 106.1 dB turbine



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Conclusions and outlook

DinoTail Next Generation has pushed the state-of-the-art

- Design inspired by low noise flight of the owl
- Substantial noise reduction
- No adverse effects on performance
- Applied to most onshore SiemensGamesa turbines

Noise levels at receiver position is more important than ever

- Several markets use more advanced propagation models
- We are pushing the limits for power produced within noise limits
- Advanced control features will squeeze even more energy out of the turbines



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6 Session #3

Recent Research Advancements

This session is dedicated to research efforts currently undertaken at DTU Wind Energy related to wind turbine noise. This efforts span from wind tunnel and field measurements to modelling of aerodynamic noise sources and sound propagation.

6.1 Cross-Cutting Activities and Wind Turbine Noise

Speaker: *Franck Bertagnolio*, DTU Wind Energy

Abstract:

In this presentation, self-financed research activities (so-called CCA) currently conducted at DTU Wind Energy on a Vestas V52 test turbine are described with focus on measurements related to noise. Furthermore, some measurements are compared with the HAWC2-noise model which combines the well-known aeroelastic and load prediction code with a recently implemented noise module. Some features of the software are also presented.

Slides:

The slide features the following content:

- Top right: **3rd Wind Turbine Acoustic Day** and the DTU logo.
- Center: **Cross-Cutting Activities and Wind Turbine Noise**
- Below title: **Franck Bertagnolio & AED, FLU, LAC, MES, RAM, TEM**
- Decorative graphic: A cluster of mathematical symbols including \int , ϵ , ∞ , θ , $\sqrt{17}$, δ , $e^{i\pi}$, \sum , χ , and \gg .
- Equation: $f(x+\Delta x) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\Delta x)^i}{i!} f^{(i)}(x)$
- Bottom left: DTU Wind Energy, Department of Wind Energy

Outline



➤ Cross-Cutting Activities 2015-18

- ➔ Rapid look back
- ➔ Current and near-future activities

➤ HAWC2-Noise – *Wind turbine noise model*

- ➔ Basics of the model
- ➔ Examples

CCA 2015/2016 – Wind Turbine Noise



6 surface pressure mics.



+Inflow sensors Pitot tubes

Instrumented NTK-500 WT

- DAU
- Rise Trnsdtrv, Sync.
- 1 Power
- 1 Rotor Speed
- 1 Torque
- 1 Yaw
- NI cRIO-xxxx
- GPS Sync.
- 1 Yaw

Wireless microphone array

- Wireless microphone array, 12m
- GPS Sync.
- 16-32 Microphones

8 ground acoustic mics.

- NI PXIe-xxxx (Near field)
- GPS Sync.
- 8 Microphones

M2

Met Mast

- DAU
- Rise Trnsdtrv, Sync.
- 5 Wind Dir.
- 5 Wind Speed
- 1 Pressure
- 1 Air Temp.



Modelling & Validation

Surface Pressure Mics. on Blade



GRAS 40LS 1/4" CCP Precision Surface Microphones



NTK turbine

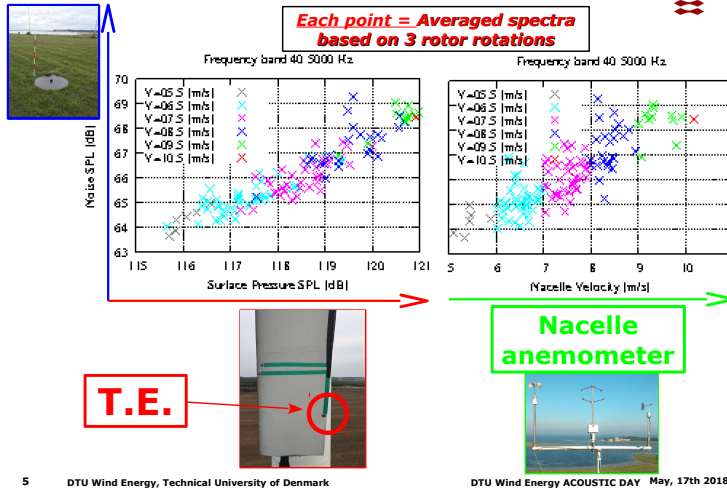
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Correlation T.E. SP mic. vs. Noise



Each point = Averaged spectra based on 3 rotor rotations



CCA 2017/2018 – Wind Turbine Noise DTU

V52 in atm. BL

Inflow wind speed

Turbulent vortices

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TURBULENT INFLOW NOISE DTU

From atmospheric turbulence

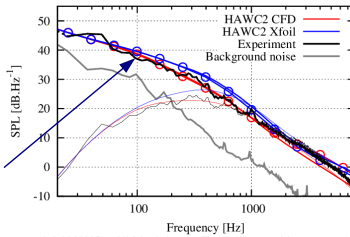
From other turbines' wake

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Turb. Inflow NOISE

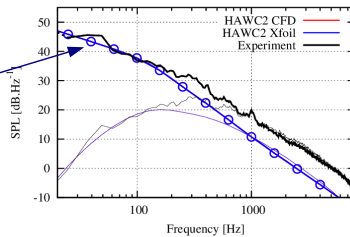
NTK meas. vs. model:

All noise sources



(e) HAWC2 All Models vs. Experiment - $V_N=10.5\text{m/s}$

TI noise only



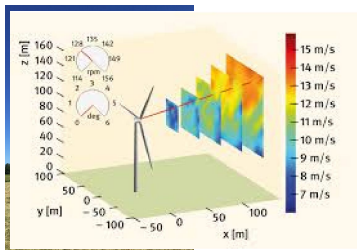
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Using sensors and measurements from various other activities within CCA 2018

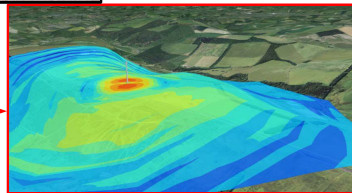
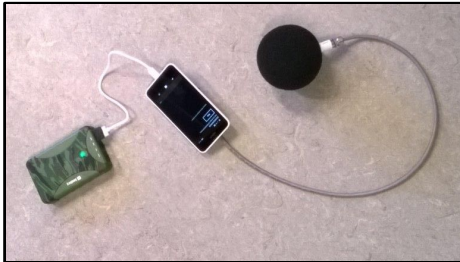


High-Frequency Pitot tube

Use LIDAR data from parallel experiments



Development of wireless microphones for sound propagation measurements



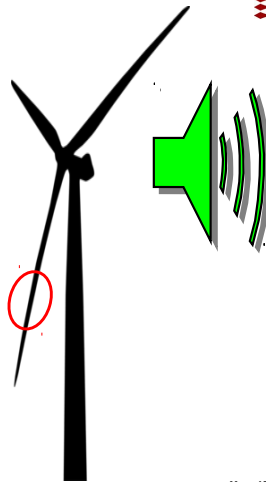
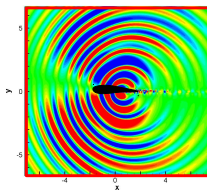
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From Airfoil Noise to Rotor Noise



Wind turbine rotor noise modeling



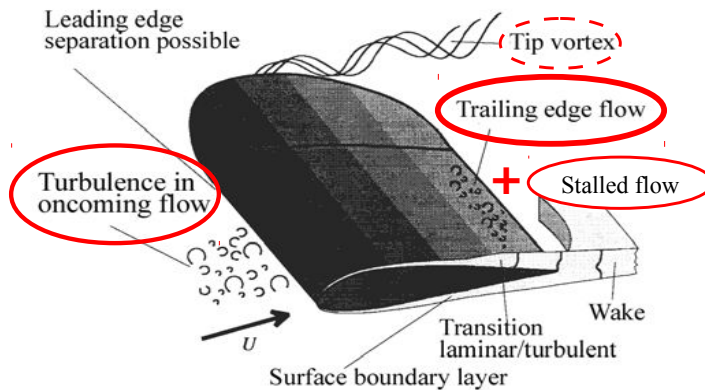
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Wind Turbine Noise Sources



Main wind turbine aeroacoustic noise mechanisms

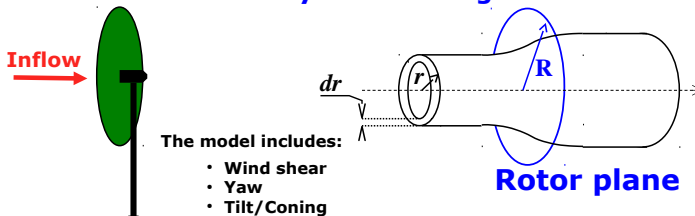


Rotor Aerodynamic & Noise Model



Rotor plane

Aerodynamics using BEM method



The model includes:

- Wind shear
- Yaw
- Tilt/Coning
- Blade geometry (+ twist & pitch)
- **Turbulent inflow**
- **Tower flow deficit/perturbation (inviscid)**


Noise modeling in spectral domain:

- Trailing Edge Noise
- Turbulent Inflow noise
- Stall noise

Integrated along the blade span

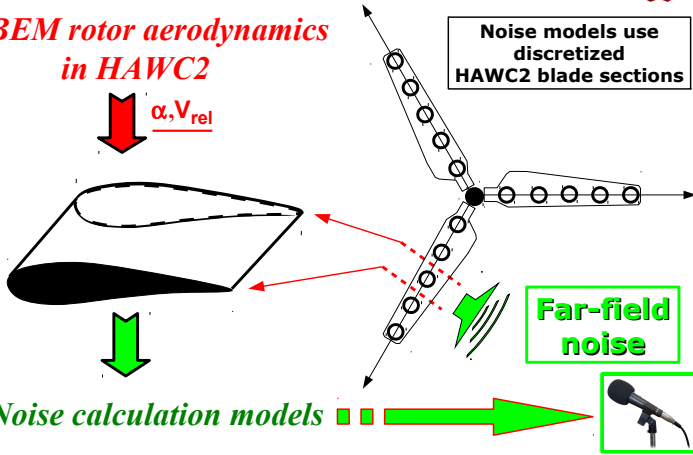
Noise modeling in time domain....

HAWC2-Noise



*BEM rotor aerodynamics
in HAWC2*

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Noise calculation models

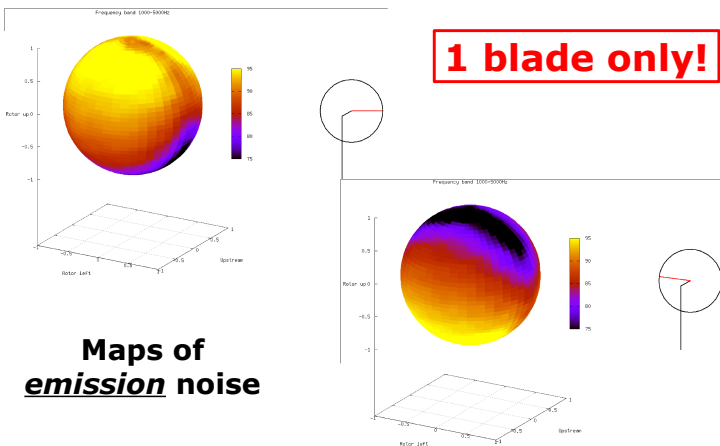
Far-field noise

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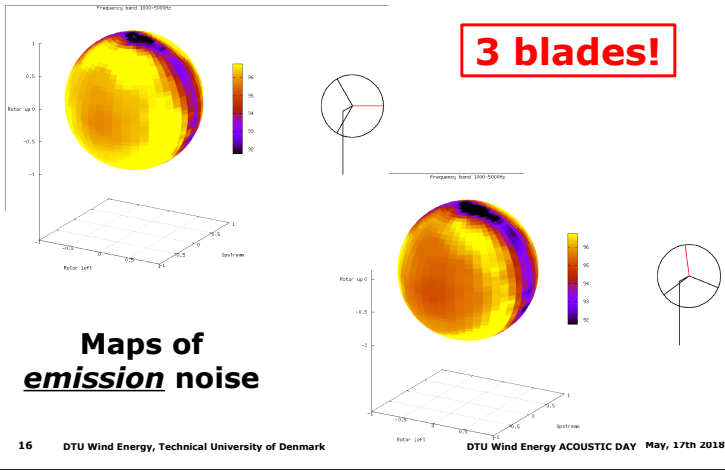
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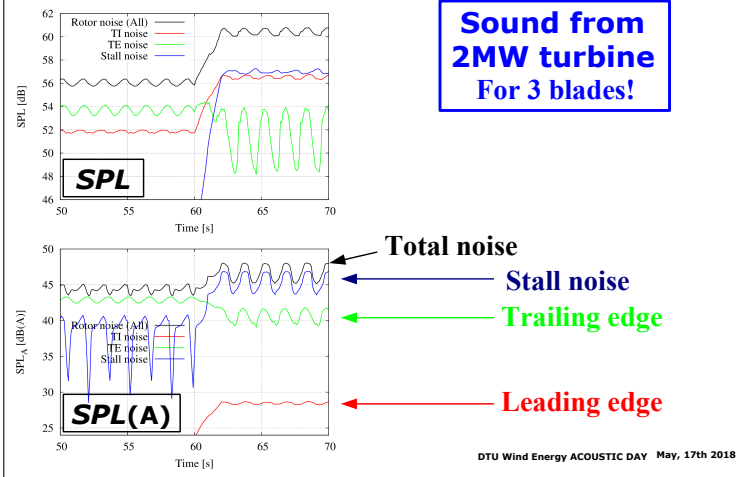
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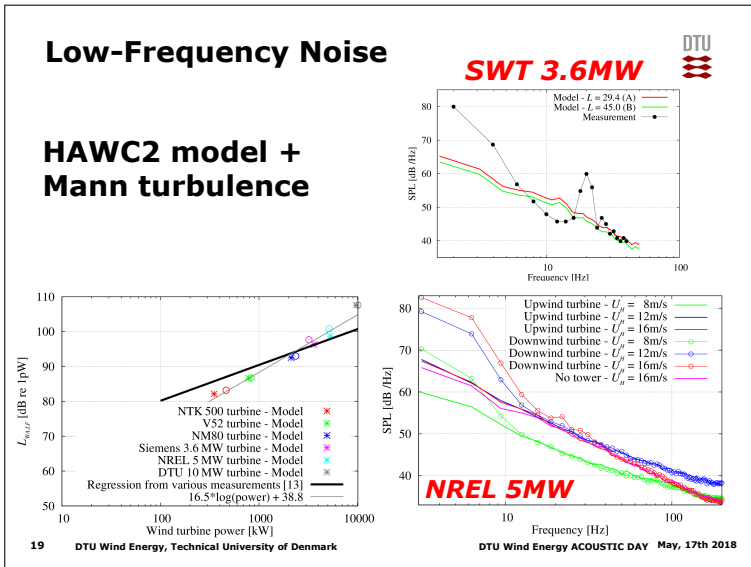
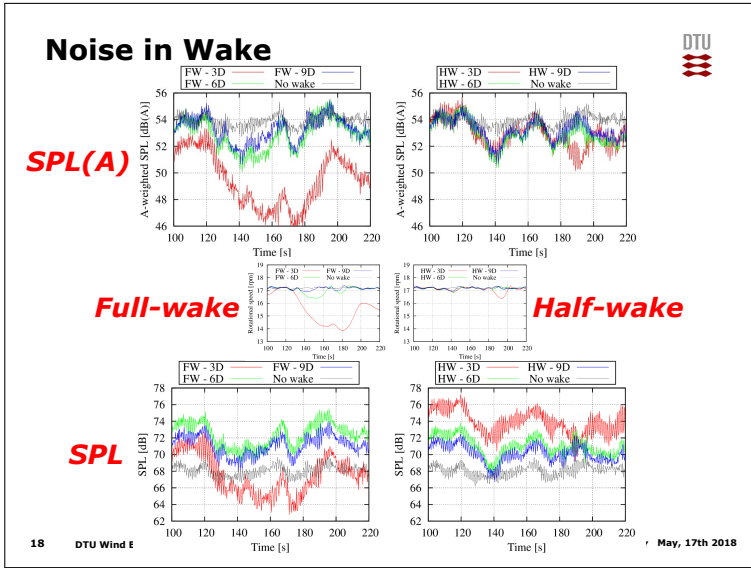
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Sudden Gust at Low Wind Speed





Conclusions



➤ Experimental activities

- ➔ Field experiments
- ➔ Need for more exhaustive model validation
- ➔ Wind tunnel...

➤ HAWC2-Noise modelling tool

- ➔ Relatively new module
- ➔ Validation in progress...
- ➔ WTNoise simulation codes benchmark
IEA Wind Task 39
+ **Task 29**
& **DANAERO database**

6.2 Statistical prediction of far-field wind turbine noise, with probabilistic characterization of atmospheric stability

Speaker: *Mark Kelly, DTU Wind Energy*

Co-authors: *Mark Kelly, Emre Barlas and Andrey Sogachev*

Abstract:

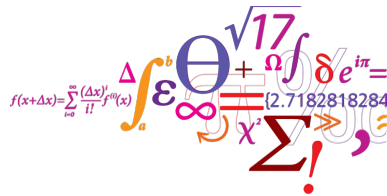
Here we provide statistical low-order characterization of noise propagation from a single wind turbine, as affected by mutually interacting turbine wake and environmental conditions. This is accomplished via a probabilistic model, applied to an ensemble of atmospheric conditions based upon atmospheric stability; the latter follows from the basic form for stability distributions established by Kelly and Gryning (2010). For each condition, a parabolic-equation acoustic propagation model is driven by an atmospheric boundary-layer ("ABL") flow model; the latter solves Reynolds-Averaged Navier-Stokes equations of momentum and temperature, including the effects of stability and ABL depth, along with the drag due to the wind turbine. Sound levels are found to be highest downwind for modestly stable conditions not atypical of mid-latitude climates, and noise levels are less elevated for very stable conditions, depending on ABL depth.

The probabilistic modelling gives both the long-term mean and rms noise level as a function of distance, per site-specific atmospheric stability statistics. The variability increases with the distance; for distances beyond 3 km downwind, this variability is the highest for stability distributions that are modestly dominated by stable conditions. However, mean noise levels depend on the widths of the stable and unstable parts of the stability distribution, with more stably-dominated climates leading to higher mean levels.

Slides:

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ABL turbine noise-propagation modelling

- Single turbine, single wake...
 - What is the SPL downwind?
- Combined modelling (chain)
 - Probabilistic ABL-state model

ABL turbine noise-propagation modelling

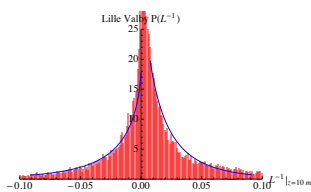


- Single turbine, single wake...
→ What are the SPL statistics downwind?
- Combined modelling (chain)
 - Probabilistic ABL-state model driven by:
 - Parabolic Equation (PE) model + using output from
 - ABL flow model (RANS)

Probabilistic ABL-state model...



- First try: ensemble of atmospheric-stability states
 - stability most influences flow field
 - shear/profile
 - wake
 - We know how to model stability (L^{-1}) and its PDF;
 - $P(L^{-1})$ has universal shape [Kelly+Gryning 2010]
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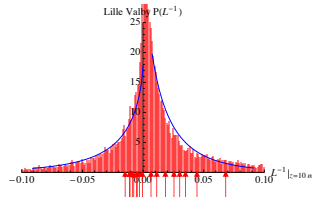


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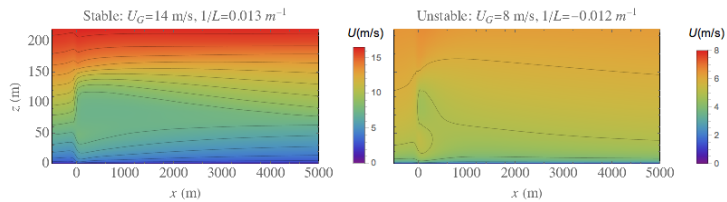


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ABL modelling : flow fields



- ScaDis: RANS w/2-eqn. turbulence model [Sogachev et al 2002...]
 - Advanced stability treatment ; satisfies M-O theory [Sogachev+Kelly 2012]
 - Captures ABL 'top' (T -inversion)
 - Radiation/clouds also
 - Mean fields or diurnal cycles
 - Actuator disc \rightarrow turbulent wake

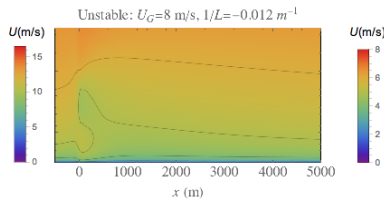
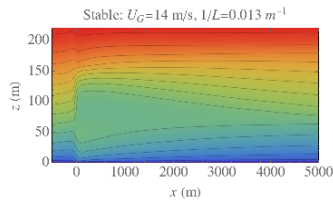
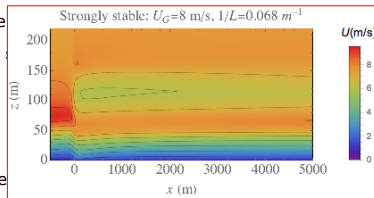


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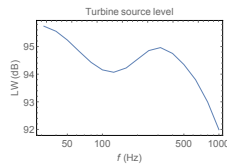
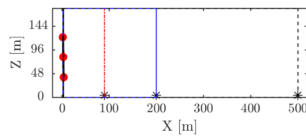
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- Distributed ($z=46,80,114\text{m}$), mean



- Plus geometrical spreading, molec.absorption:

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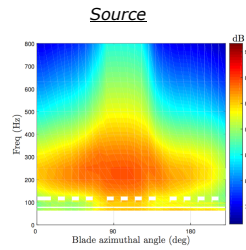
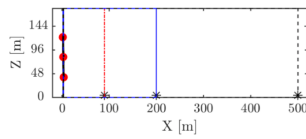
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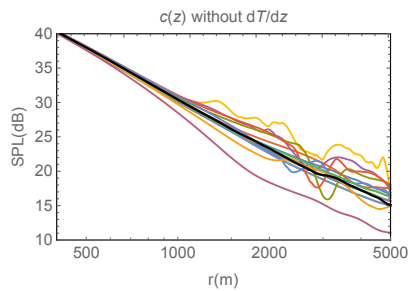
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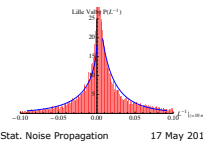
'Simple' results...



- All cases
 - unstable
 - stable
 - Neutral
- No $T(z)$ in PE



- Black: probabilistic model \rightarrow weighted mean
 - using local/typical $1/L$ distribution (at right)

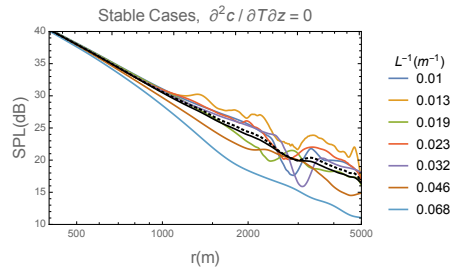


'simple' results...stable cases



- stable cases

- **No $T(z)$ in PE**



- Dotted line: stable-side average

– Very stable cases (lighter blue line, brown):

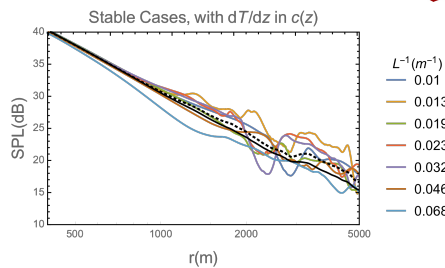
- (Apparently) less sound, more loss...
- Shear due to ABL top/inversion !
 - ...but the PE is missing the T-jump at ABL "top"...

results...stable cases



- stable cases

- **Now use $T(z)$ in PE model**



– Very stable case (blue lines):

- less sound, more loss... → loss reduced by including $T(z)$

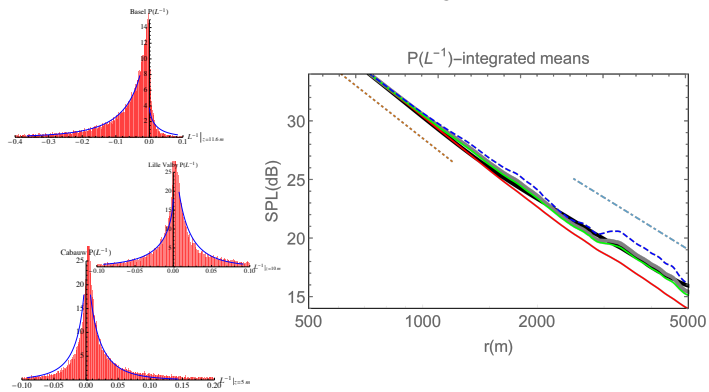
– Weakly stable case (red/orange):

- Not much change by including $T(z)$ in PE calcs

Overall results: mean SPL



- Re-calculate SPL's for different sites/climatologies



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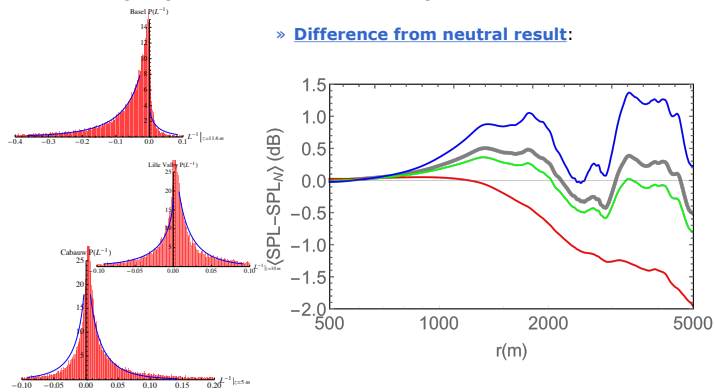
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Overall results: mean SPL differences



- Re-weighting SPL's for other sites/climatologies

» **Difference from neutral result:**



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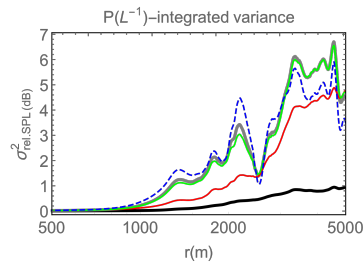
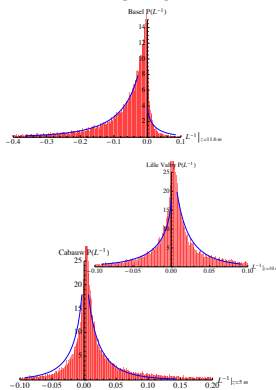
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Overall results: SPL variance



- Re-weighting SPL's for other sites/climatologies

» **Variability:**



Conclusions



- Verified:
 - Stable climatology important (not direct, counter-intuitive)
 - Modest/weak stabilities more important and more common!
 - Stronger stabilities: more dependent on ABL depth (T-profile)
 - wake decay vs. stable stratification; (→ consider wake turbulence...)
- Mean SPL not so sensitive to "surface-climatology" $P(1/L)$
- SPL Variability *does depend* on $P(L^{-1})$ (especially night/cold)
- Noise still perceptible at 3km downwind
- To do...
 - Deal with $P(L^{-1}, U, h_{ABL})$
 - Use turbulence in PE (incl.wake),
 - Different sfc.-impedance / terrain
 - Extend range, check @angles to mean wind
 - Compare to Nord2k, others...

6.3 Recent developments in noise propagation modelling

Speaker: **Wen Zhong Shen, DTU Wind Energy**

Co-authors: *Wen Zhong Shen, Emre Barlas and Wei Jun Zhu*

Abstract:

Wind turbine noise from source to receiver is a complicated process, which is influenced by atmospheric conditions and turbine operation conditions. This talk summarizes the recent developments at DTU in modelling the noise propagation process which include the coupling modelling of atmospheric flow, wind turbine wake flow, noise source and noise propagation, as well as the moving source strategy.

Slides:

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Recent developments in noise propagation modelling

Wen Zhong Shen*, Emre Barlas and Wei Jun Zhu

$P = \frac{1}{2} \rho A v^3 C_p$ $\int_a^b \epsilon$ Θ $\sqrt{17}$ $+ \omega f$ $\delta e^{i\pi} =$ 2.7182818284 χ^2 $\Sigma!$

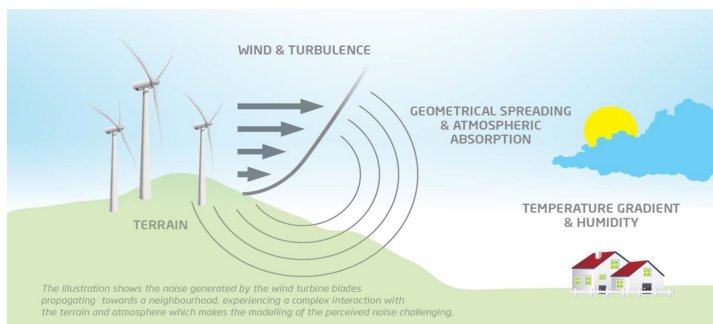
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Outline

1. Introduction to noise propagation
2. Noise propagation modelling using a PE method
 - Propagation model
 - Flow input models
 - Source coupling for propagation
3. Results
 - Noise propagation under wind shear and turbulence
 - Variability of wind turbine noise in a diurnal cycle
4. Conclusions

1. Introduction

- Noise propagation from source to receiver

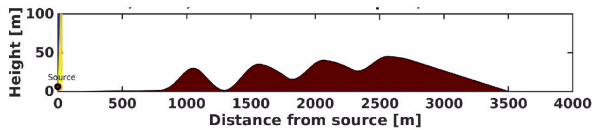


2. Propagation modelling using a PE method

Propagation model (WindSTAR)

- Solve the wave equation in frequency domain
(Assumptions: axisymmetric - 2D, harmonic wave, far field and one way propagation – no backscattering)
- There are two different approaches:
Scalar PE: Effective speed of sound approach
Vector PE: Maintaining the vector properties of velocity.
- Turbulent Wind Wide Angle Parabolic Equation

$$\left[\Delta + k^2(1 + \epsilon) + \frac{2ik}{c_0} \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla - \frac{2i}{\omega} \frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \right] P'(\mathbf{r}) = 0$$



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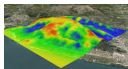
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2. Propagation modelling using a PE method

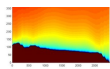
Flow input models

Engineering approach:

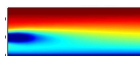
- Engineering flow solution
- Embedded wake using a wake model
- Synthetic turbulence



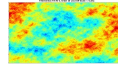
WEng Top View Single Height



WEng Side View



Analytical Wake Model



Synthetic Turbulence

Steady Navier-Stokes approach:

- 3D Navier-Stokes solver with RAND-AD
- Synthetic turbulence

Unsteady Navier-Stokes approach:

- 3D Navier-Stokes solver with LES-AL/AD
- Realistic wake and turbulent medium

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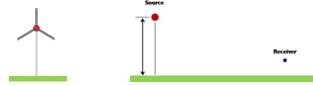
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Source-propagation coupling:

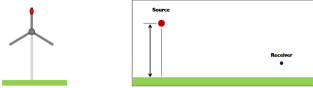
Single point source

- Classical approach for PE
- Monopole source at hub
- Steady mean SPL



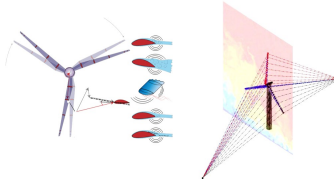
Lumped sources along the vertical line

- Point source at blade tips
- Quasi-unsteady
- Time dependent SPL



IBPM Coupling

- More accurate source modelling
- Engineering source models (IBPM)
- Fully unsteady



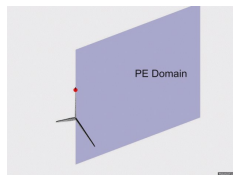
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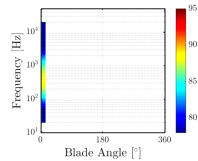


Coupling effects

Moving source to mimic the blade passage



Source power level is obtained from semi empirical noise model for a wind turbine (BEM+BPM+AMIET)



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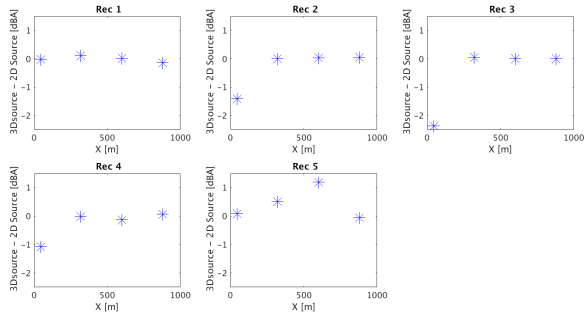
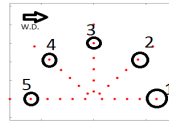
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2. Propagation modelling using a PE method



Coupling effects between 2 unsteady coupling methods

- Error decreases with increasing distance.
- At upwind (Rec 5) error increases but is small.



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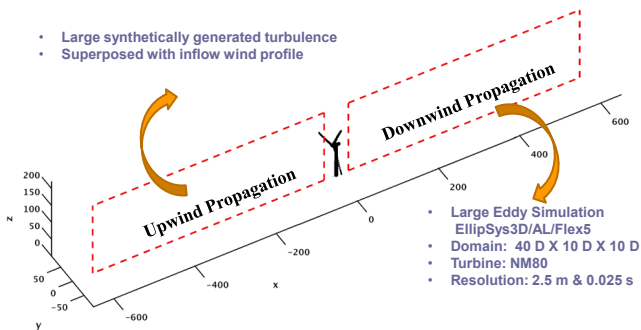
3. Results



3.1 Noise propagation under wind shear and turbulence

Flow Input Model

- Large synthetically generated turbulence
- Superposed with inflow wind profile



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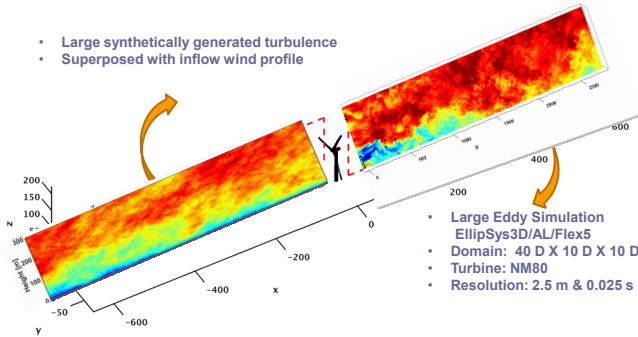
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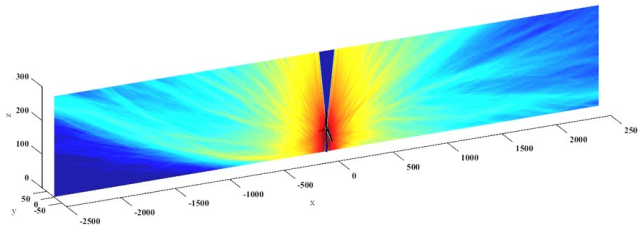


3.1 Noise propagation under wind shear and turbulence

With **unsteady** flow and **varying** source strength

Sound pressure levels summed up to 800 Hz

TI 10% and shear exponent: 0.14

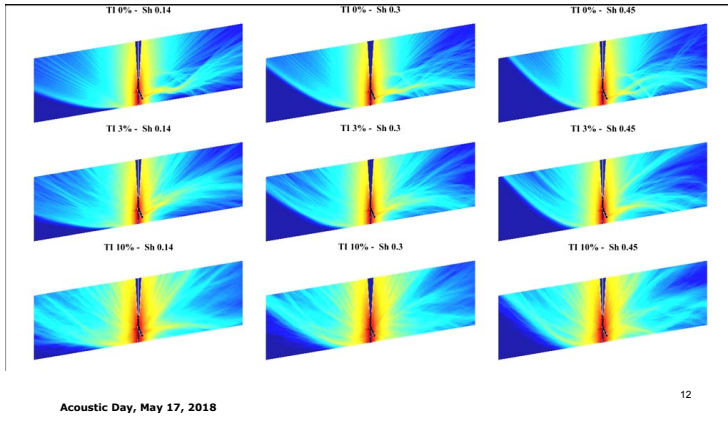


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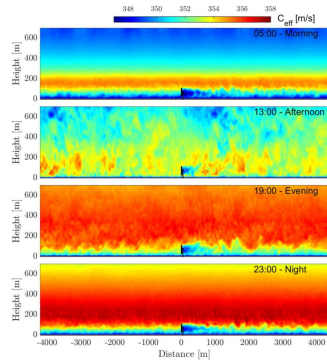
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- From left to right : Increasing Shear (0.14, 0.3 , 0.45)
- From Top to bottom : Increasing turbulence intensity (0 %, 3 %, 10 %)



3. Results

3.2 Variability of wind turbine noise in a diurnal cycle

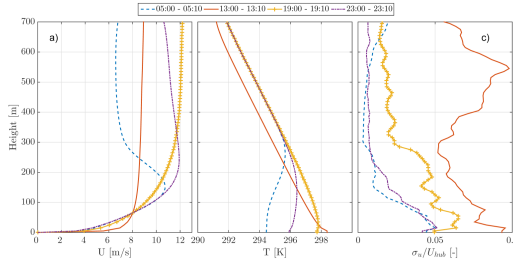


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3.2 Variability of wind turbine noise in a diurnal cycle



Time-averaged streamwise velocity, temperature and streamwise turbulence intensity at 3 diameters upstream of the turbine.

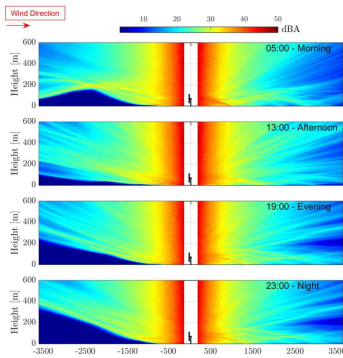
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3.2 Variability of wind turbine noise in a diurnal cycle



Instantaneous OASPL fields in the middle vertical plane at different times of the day.

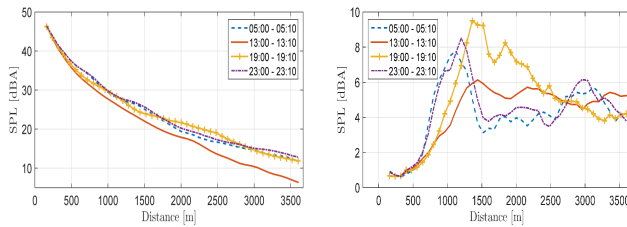
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3.2 Variability of wind turbine noise in a diurnal cycle



Time averaged OASPL (left) and Amplitude Modulation (right) for receivers at 2 m height in four periods of the day.

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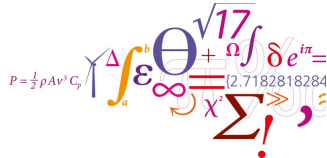


- PE models have been coupled with flows from different flow solvers.
- Effects of turbulence, wake, and atmospheric stability have been considered.
- Different source-propagation coupling strategies have been developed.
- The code has been parallelized using MPI.

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Thank you for your attention



6.4 Status of the National Wind Tunnel: The Poul la Cour Tunnel

Speaker: *Christian Bak*, DTU Wind Energy

Abstract:

N/A.

Slides:



WHY A WIND TUNNEL?

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Why a wind tunnel?

Test at:
 105m/s=378km/h
 Correspond to more than a
 category 5 hurricane

From wyrk.com



Tornado in Oklahoma

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The tip in the future

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THE HISTORY OF THE ESTABLISHMENT

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The history behind the Danish National Wind Tunnel

- 2011 April
 - DTU got the green light from Ministry of Higher Education and Science for establishing a wind energy dedicated wind tunnel as a national research infra structure
- 2011 December
 - After discussions with the Danish wind turbine manufacturers, universities and other relevant institutions, a project application was handed in to the Ministry of Higher Education and Science
 - Budget: 74MDKK/10 M€
- 2012 May
 - Grant for establishment of the wind tunnel
- 2014 April
 - Basic design fixed
- 2016 April
 - Construction started
- 2018 April
 - Wind tunnel inaugurated

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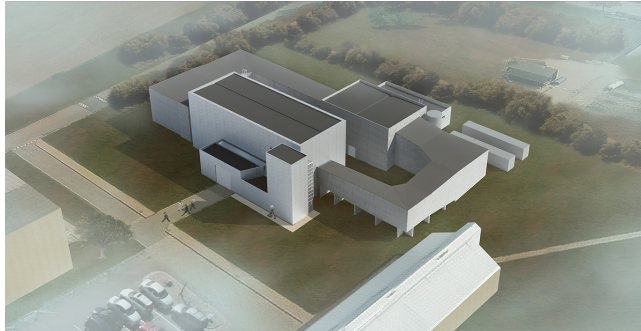
Main specifications

- **1. priority:**

- Aerodynamics on airfoils at Reynolds numbers between 6 and 8 million
- Thick airfoils and airfoils with high lift
- Thin airfoils with light compressible flow
- Aeroacoustics on airfoils

THE WIND TUNNEL DESIGN

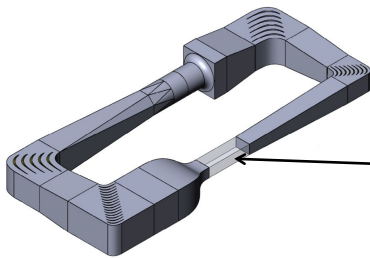
The final design



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Design of the tunnel Test section

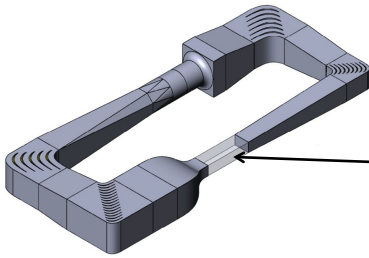


Description	Value
Maximum Reynolds number [-]	7.0x10⁶
Maximum flow speed [m/s]/[km/h]	~105/378
Test section: Width [m]	3.00
Test section: Height[m]	2.00
Test section: Length [m]	~9
Maximum turbulence intensity [%]	Max 0.1
Anechoic chamber with background noise at 60m/s with kevlar walls 2m from airfoil [dB]	<70

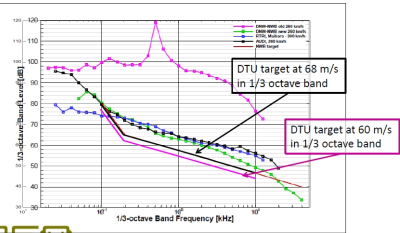
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Design of the tunnel Noise reduction



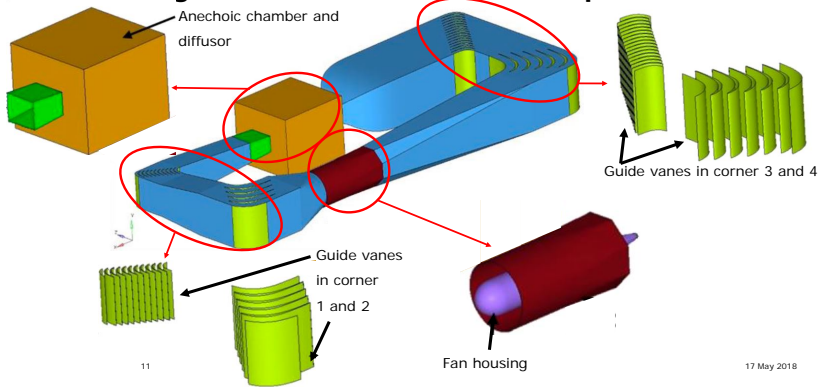
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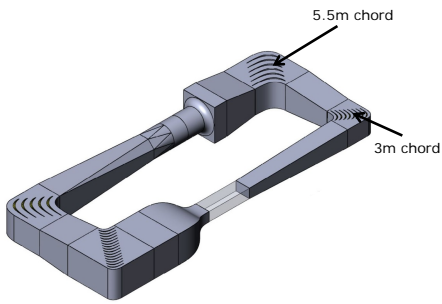
Design of the tunnel Low background noise → Noise absorption



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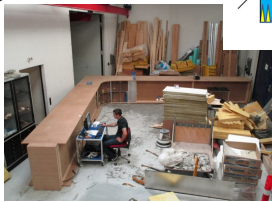
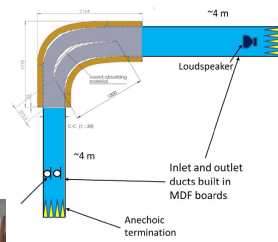
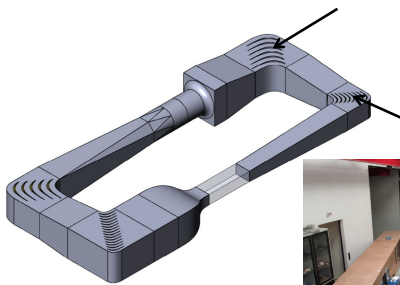
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Design of the tunnel Corners/guidevanes



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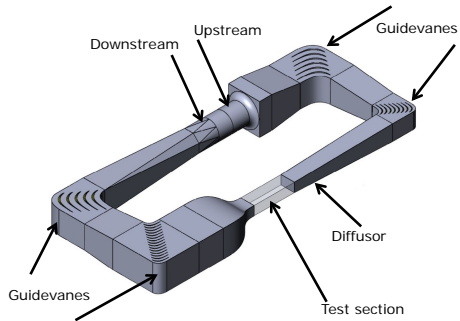
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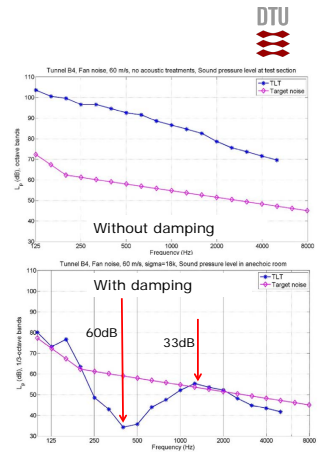
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Design of the tunnel Predicted background noise

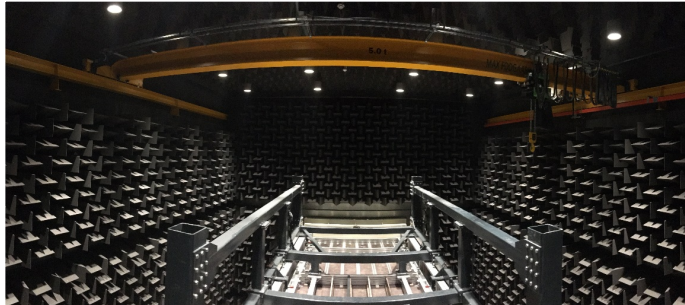


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Design of the tunnel The anechoic chamber

- Anechoic 100Hz to 10kHz
- H * W * L = 11.5m * 11.0m * 13.0m



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STATUS

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Status

- The fan has been running and we have observed that the aerodynamic losses are smaller than our optimistic estimates, i.e. we can easily obtain 105m/s!
- The tunnel was inaugurated 10 April 2018
- Pending:
 - Equipment to be installed in the test section (e.g. turn table, wake rake and Kevlar walls)
 - Characterization of flow and noise
 - First measurements on airfoil

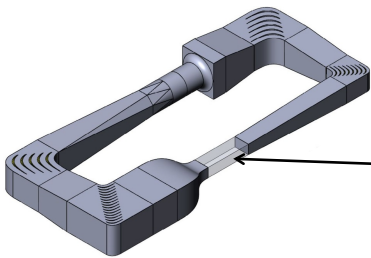
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SOME OF THE THINGS TO DO IN THE COMING MONTHS

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Construction and mounting of Kevlar walls



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Photos from Virginia Tech (Lund)

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Test of a symmetric airfoil

NACA 63018 to measure symmetry and noise – and benchmarked in the VirginiaTech Tunnel



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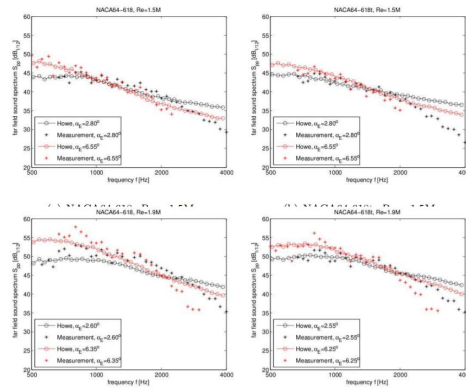
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SOME OF THE THINGS TO DO IN THE COMING YEARS

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Airfoil design Noise

- Correct modeling?
- Noise spectrum and low frequencies (>100Hz)
- Influence from angle-of-attack?



(c) NACA64-618, $Re = 1.9M$

(d) NACA64-618t, $Re = 1.9M$

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Airfoil design Noise reducing devices

- Noise can be reduced by some devices such as serrations.
- Can we do more?



Photo by Siemens

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The operation

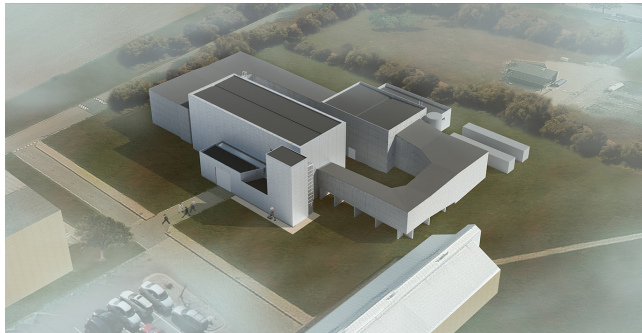
- The wind tunnel is for
 - Danish wind turbine manufacturers
 - Danish universities and GTS institutes
 - Foreign wind turbine manufacturers
 - Foreign universities
 - Other manufacturers and industries
- Two persons will operate the tunnel permanently
- A team of at least 10 researchers at DTU will use, develop and support the tunnel

SHARING THE KNOWLEDGE

Workshop in 2019

- We are planning a workshop in the start of 2019:
 - Experimental airfoil aerodynamics and aeroacoustics

Thank you!
... and check www.plct.dk



6.5 The Acoustic Measurement Setup in the Poul la Cour Wind Tunnel


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Abstract:

The Poul La Cour Wind Tunnel provides the possibility to test aerofoils at high Reynolds numbers. It can be configured in two different set-ups: the aerodynamic and the acoustic setup. This talk focuses on the acoustic set-up which is similar to the one developed at Virginia Tech. It consists of large Kevlar walls that allow the sound to propagate, but contain the flow. The test section is surrounded by a large anechoic chamber where an 84 channel Brüel&Kjær microphone array is located. Array data processing techniques to extract the aerofoil noise will be presented.

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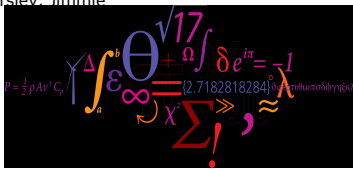


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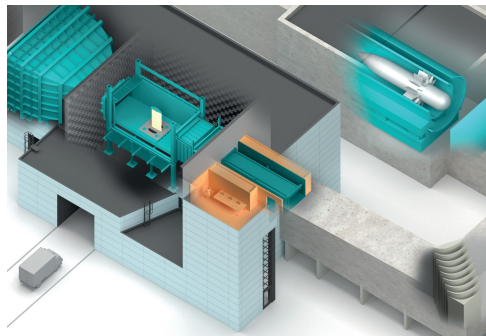
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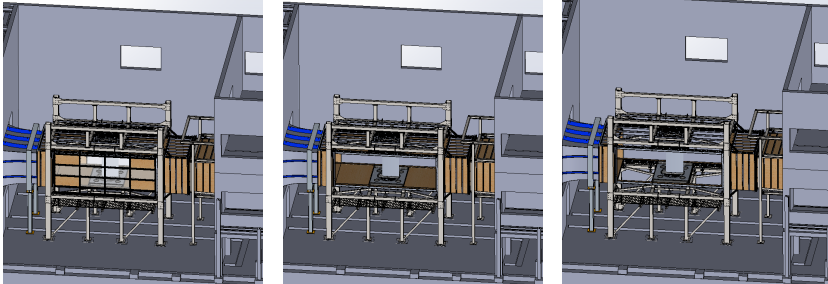
Outline

- Acoustic wind tunnel setup
- Measurement technique
- Acoustic boundary corrections
- Aerodynamic boundary corrections

The test section and surrounding anechoic chamber



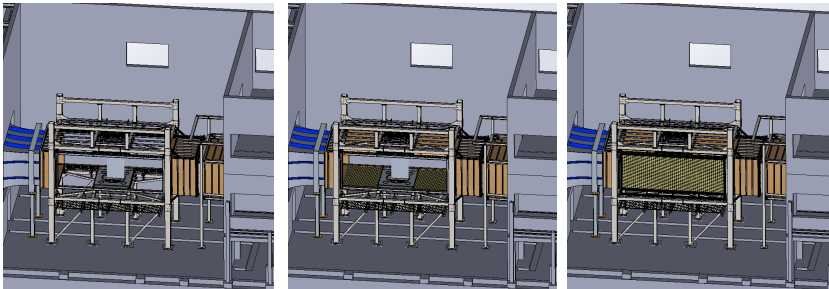
Transformation from aerodynamic configuration...



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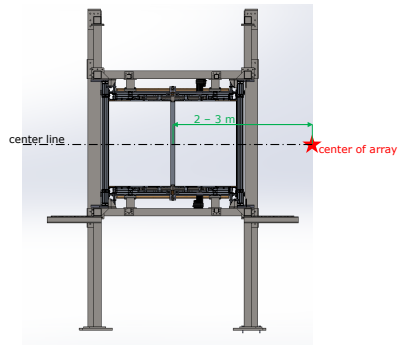
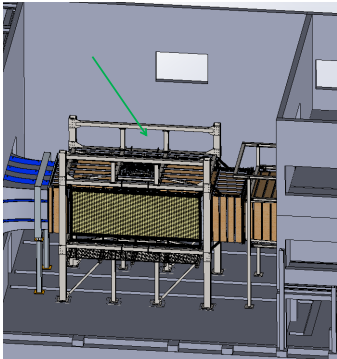
... to aero-acoustic configuration



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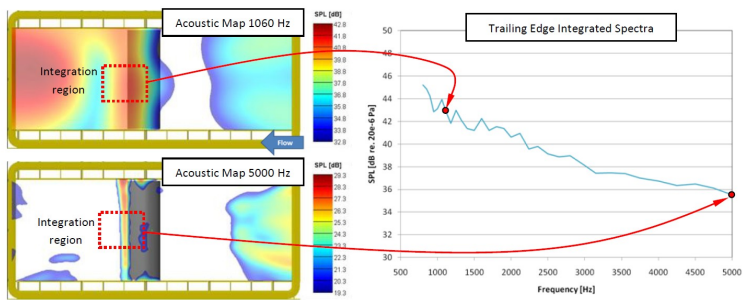
Microphone array position



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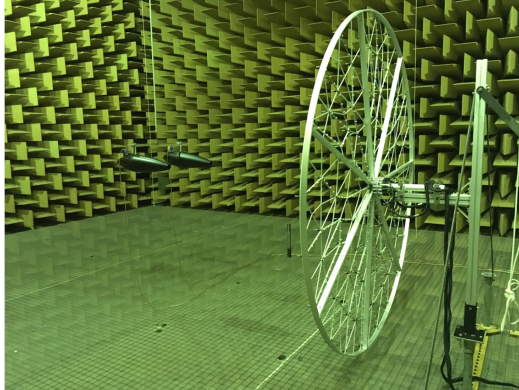
Microphone array measurements in the Virginia Tech wind tunnel (AVEC)



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Brüel&Kjær microphone array



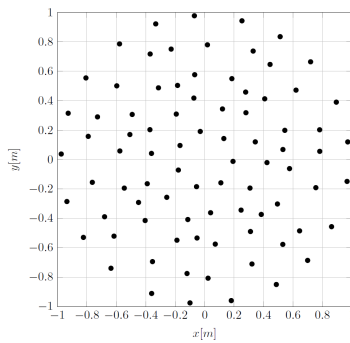
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Microphone array geometry



- Planar array of 2 m diameter
- 84 microphones
- Divided into 7 pizza slices to yield pseudo random distribution



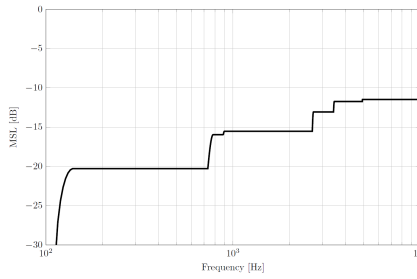
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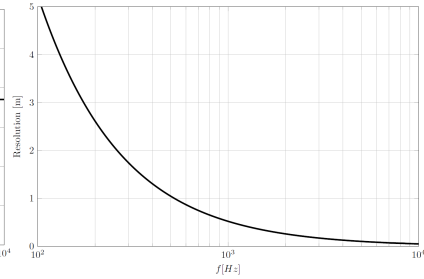
Microphone array characteristics



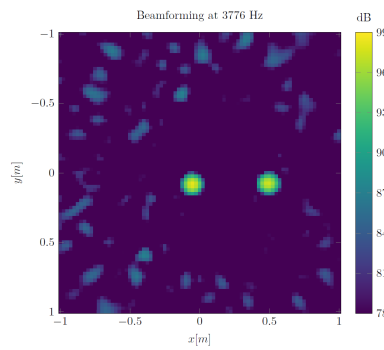
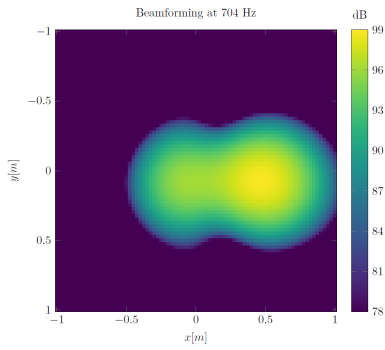
Maximum sidelobe level at a maximum array opening angle = 90 degrees



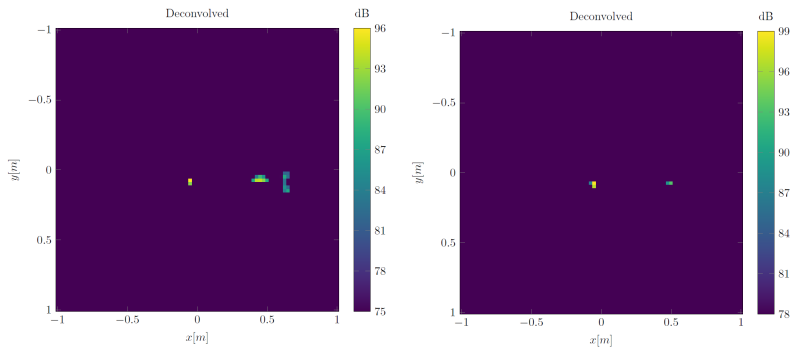
Rayleigh resolution at 2.5 m distance to source



Source resolution



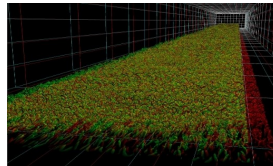
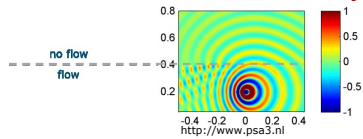
Source resolution



Acoustic boundary corrections



- Shear layer diffraction
 - Negligible at 90 deg elevation of the observer
- Absorption in turbulent boundary layer
 - Expect to be the dominant mechanism
 - Complex problem, will be treated experimentally/statistically
 - Supported by PE method simulations
- Insertion loss of transmission through Kevlar sheet
 - Well defined problem with empirical correction method

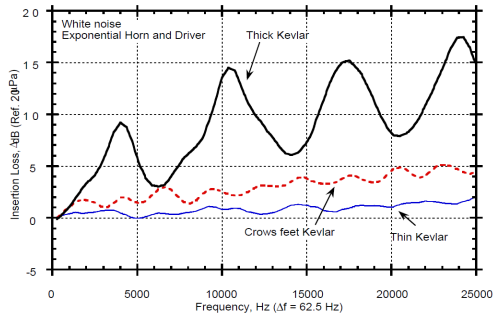


P. Schlatter and R. Örlü, (2010) "Assessment of direct numerical simulation data of turbulent boundary layers." J. Fluid Mech. 659. 116-126

Acoustic properties of Kevlar (Jaeger et al. 2000)



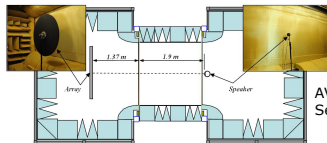
Kevlar 120®, thin weave
 Kevlar 124®, crow's foot weave
 Kevlar 500®, thick weave



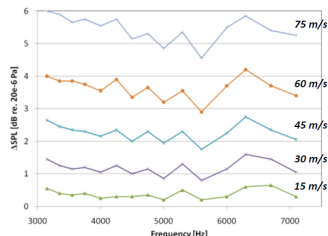
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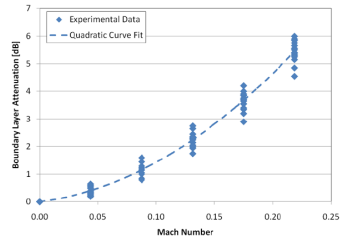
Virginia Tech turbulence and shear layer corrections



AVEC/Virginia Tech Setup

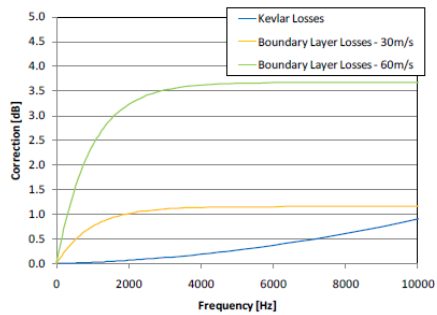


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Kevlar vs boundary layer losses (VT)



Aerodynamic boundary corrections



Two principal sources

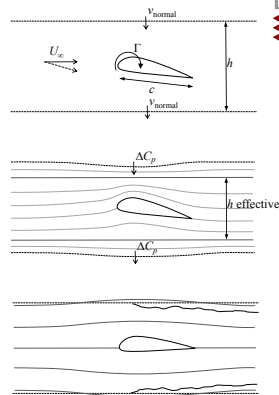
a) Correction to angle of attack due to transpiration through acoustic window

b) Blockage

- Increased by wall deflection
- Reduced due to transpiration through acoustic window

Modelled by:

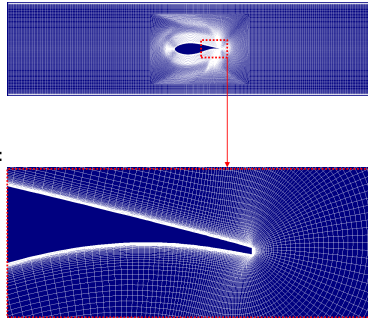
- a) Simulating the presence of the model with point singularities
- b) Using a panel method to determine the effects of the porous flexible wall boundary conditions on the velocity and gradients at the airfoil.
- c) Using standard formulae (Allen and Vicente, 1947) to correct force, moment and pressure coefficients



Computational approach



- Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD)
 - EllipSys2D – a code developed for wind turbine use
- 2D, Incompressible, steady state
- Convective terms by the QUICK scheme
- Turbulence modeling by k-omega SST model
- Grid configuration 62 blocks of 32^2 cells (total: 63,488), $y^+ < 2$
- No-slip conditions on the airfoil
- Dirichlet conditions at the inlet
- Zero gradient assumption at the outlet

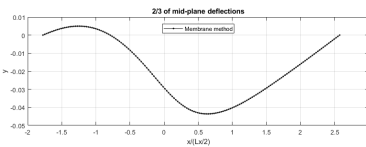
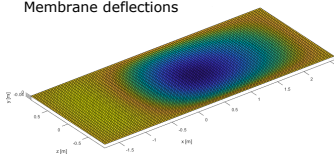


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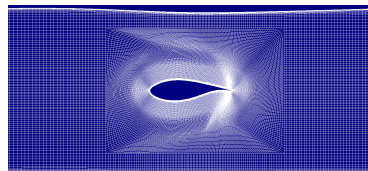
Computational approach



Membrane deflections

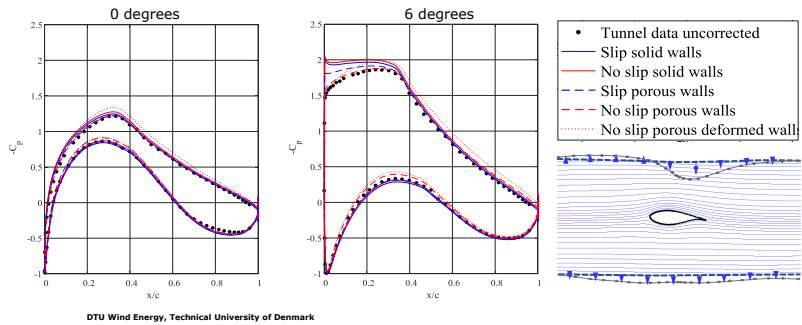


- Wall Boundary Conditions Investigated:
- Solid (no deformation), slip and no-slip
 - Kevlar walls, no deformation, slip and no-slip
 - Kevlar walls, deformed, no-slip

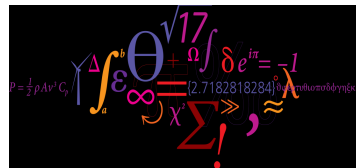


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Aerofoil pressures



Thank you!



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7 Conclusions

Approximately 60 persons attended the Wind Turbine Acoustic Day 2018. Although the event is only advertised in Denmark and aimed at the Danish wind turbine noise community primarily, there were a few participants from abroad (e.g. UK, Japan and USA).

Between the sessions at coffee breaks, attendees had the opportunity to meet and discuss with each other. The organizers hope that this event helps create a better synergy within the wind turbine noise community.

After the presentations, the participants had the opportunity to visit the newly built 'Poul la Cour' National Wind Tunnel facility located at DTU-Risø Campus.

The next edition of the Acoustic Day should take place in 2020. The organizer will contact attendees of this year's edition in the very near future, and try to collect their impressions and suggestions on how to improve this event.

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