#### A hybrid solution for wind resource assessment

- predict offshore wind from limited onshore measurements

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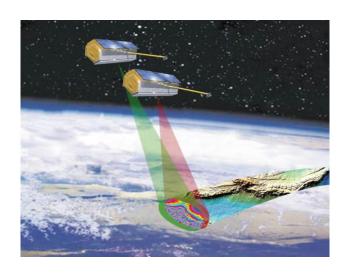
## 1 Introduction – Direct wind resource assessment

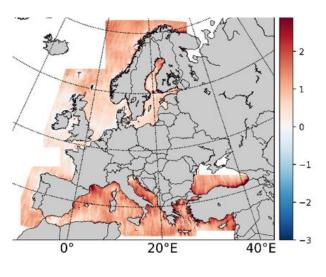


#### Current approaches for offshore wind resource assessment:









Mast: **\$15m!** 

Floating lidar: Low reliability

SAR images:
Need a satellite!

Meso-scale simulation: Low fidelity



### 1. Introduction – indirect assessment



Can we bypass the direct offshore measurements?

#### Input

onshore measurements LiDAR, mast, met station, etc. (sparse, high-fidelity)

Onshore + offshore WRF simulations (cheap and abundant, low-fidelity)

#### method

Speed-up (cheap, inaccurate)

**Multi-fidelity Fusion** 

Adjoint (Expensive, accurate)

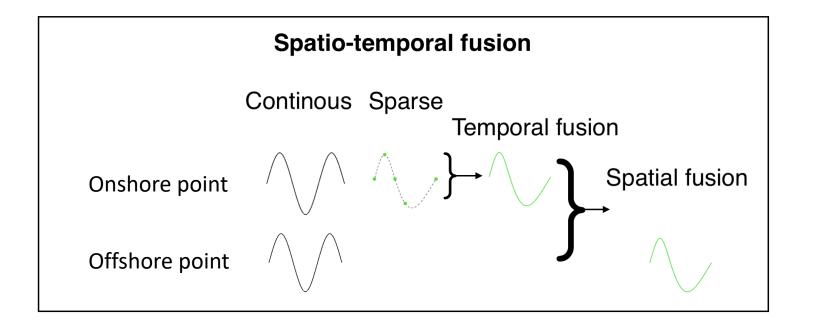
#### output

Offshore wind

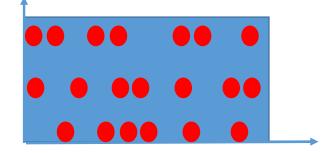


### 1. Introduction – Data fusion





location



Continuous data: simulations, low-fidelity.

Sparse data: measurements, high-fidelity





# 2. Algorithm – temporal fusion



#### **Multi-fidelity Gaussian Process Regression:**

Considering the high-fidelity data,  $F_h$ , is a function of time t and the low fidelity data  $F_h$ 

$$F_h(t) = g(t, F_l(t)) \sim GP(m, k)$$

m is the mean function, and k is the covariance matrix function.

**Nonlinear auto-regressive Gaussian Process** (further taking into account the derivations of the low fidelity data):

$$F_h(t) = g(t, F_l(t), F^1_l(t), F^2_l(t), F^3_l(t), ...)$$



## 2. Algorithm – spatial fusion

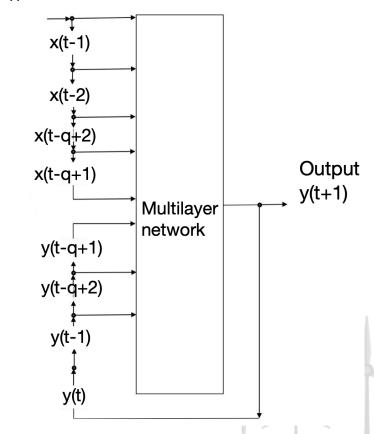


#### Nonlinear auto-regression with external input (NARX):

predicts y(t) from its history and additional input x(t):

$$y(n+1)=F[y(n), y(n-q+1), u(n), u(n-q+1)]$$





Framework for NARX model

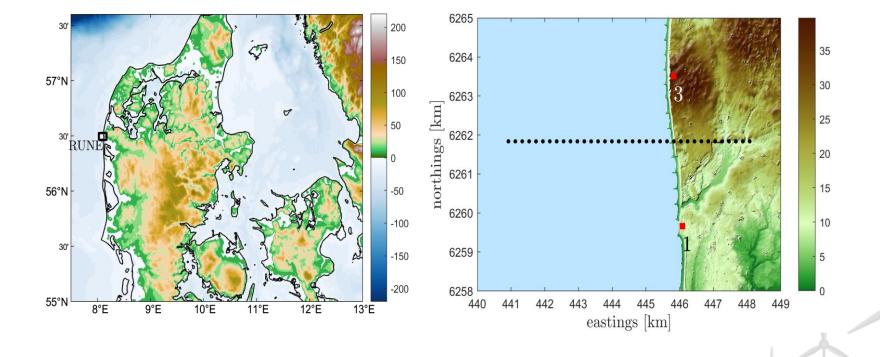


## 3. Case description



West coast of Denmark, wind condition collected in the RUNE project:

- Lidar measurements
- WRF simulations

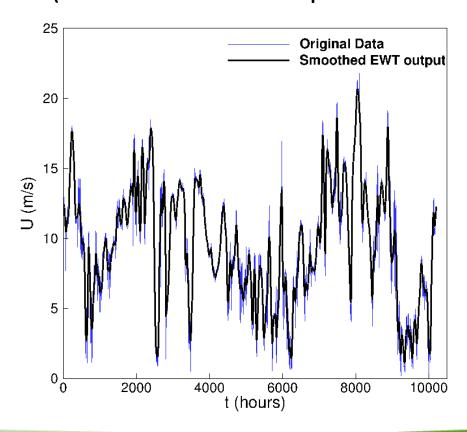




## 4. Data pre-processing



The WRF data was pre-processed using empirical wavelet transform to smooth the given wind speed time-series (ensure the data sequence is differentiable).



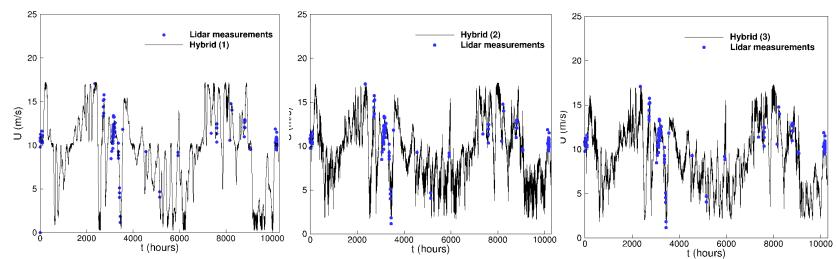


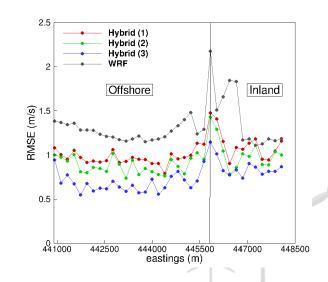
## 5. Fusion -- Temporal



#### Fusion of continuous WRF and intermittent lidar:

- ➤ Hybrid (1): WRF + lidar (wind magnitude)
- $\rightarrow$  Hybrid (2): WRF, its 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> derivatives + lidar (wind magnitude)
- $\triangleright$  Hybrid (3): WRF, its 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> derivatives + lidar, with EWT and two horizontal velocity components.







### 5. Fusion – Temporal, more fidelity layers

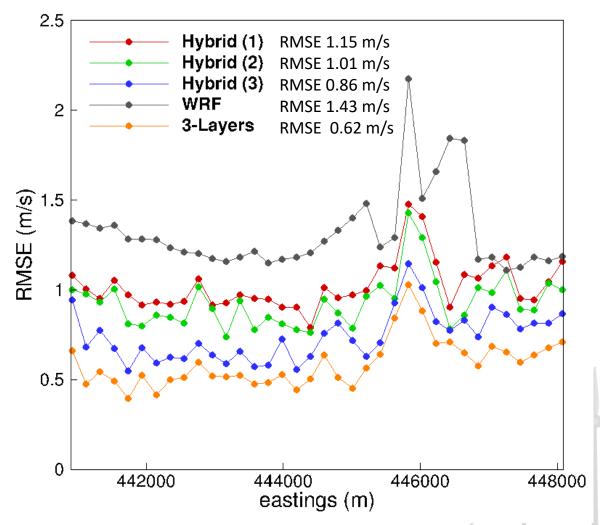


#### More layers of fidelity is considered:

➤ Lidar (highest fidelity)

➤ High-resolution WRF (medium fidelity)

➤ Low-resolution WRF (low fidelity)

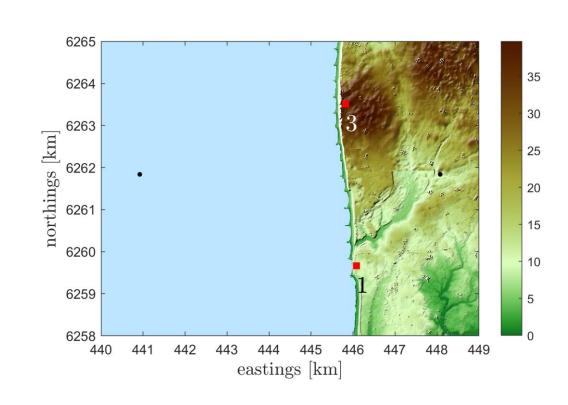


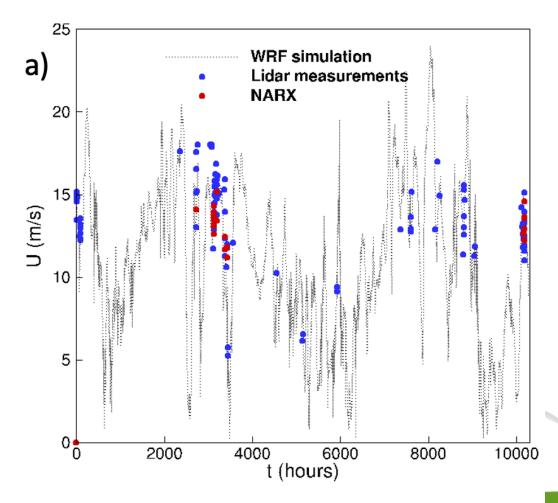


## 5 Fusion – Spatial



#### Extrapolation from onshore wind to offshore wind:





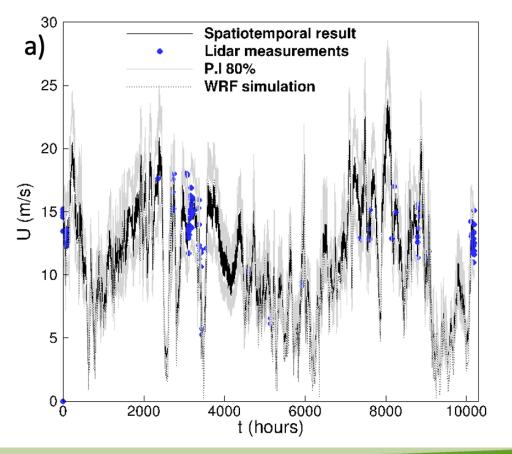


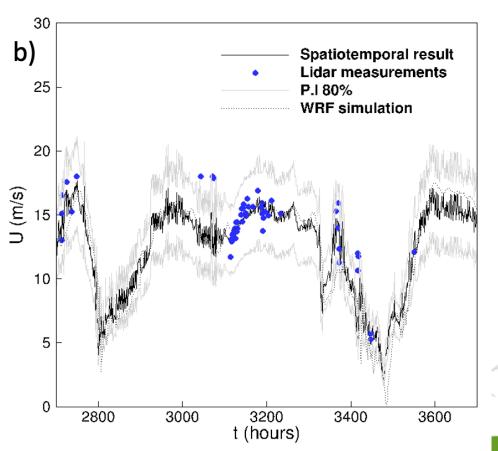
## 5. Fusion – Temporal + Spatial



**RMSE < 9%** 

The intermittent measurements at the most onshore point is used to estimate the wind at the most offshore point by exploiting the numerical data.







### Summary



- Intermittent lidar measured is completed and extended.
- Onshore measurement can be used to estimate offshore wind with RMSE 9%.
- o Future work:
  - multiple fidelity layers
  - fusion in full 4D domain
  - > test in more wind sites: Perdigao, Santa Catarina in Brazil (HPCWE test cases).



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