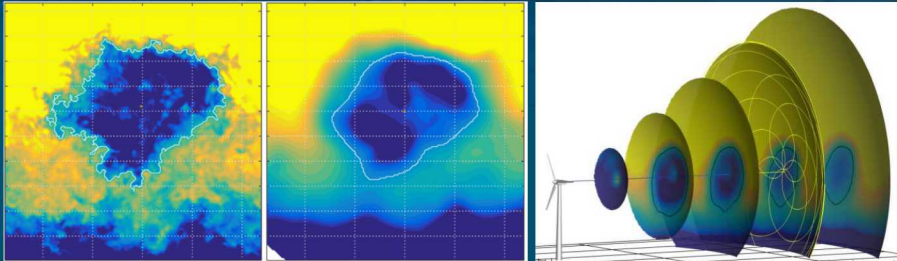


SWiFT Wake Steering Experiment Data Overview



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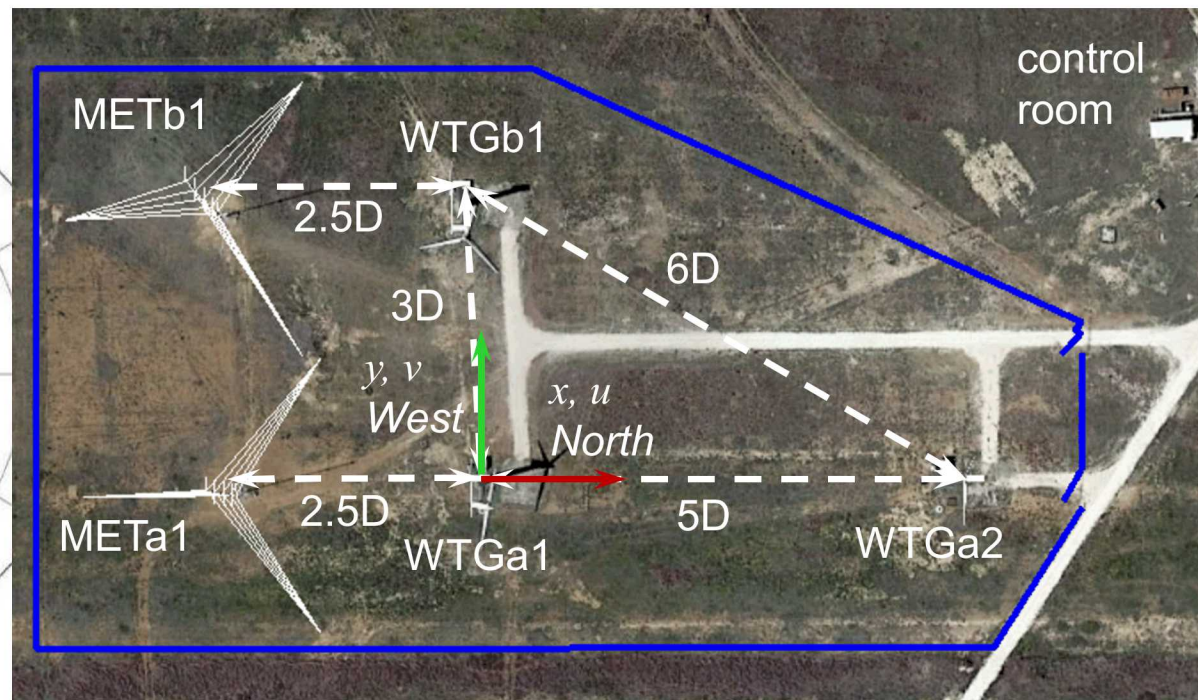
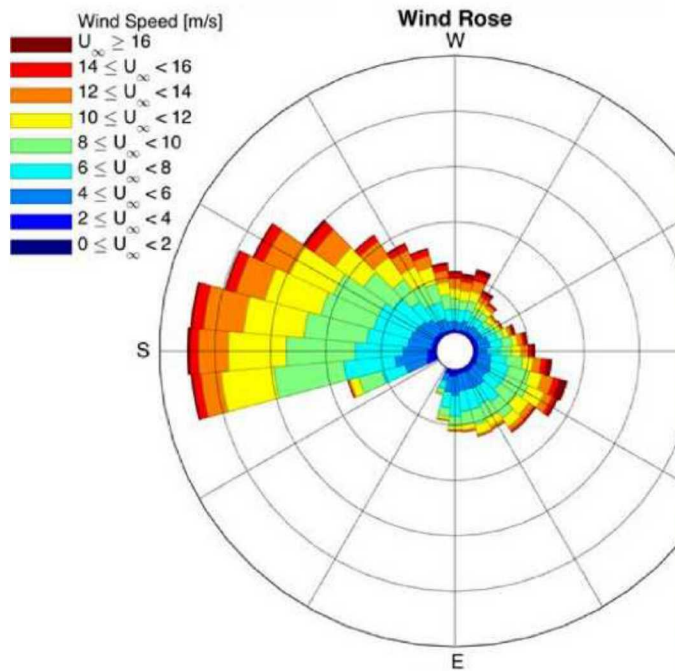
SWiFT Facility Overview

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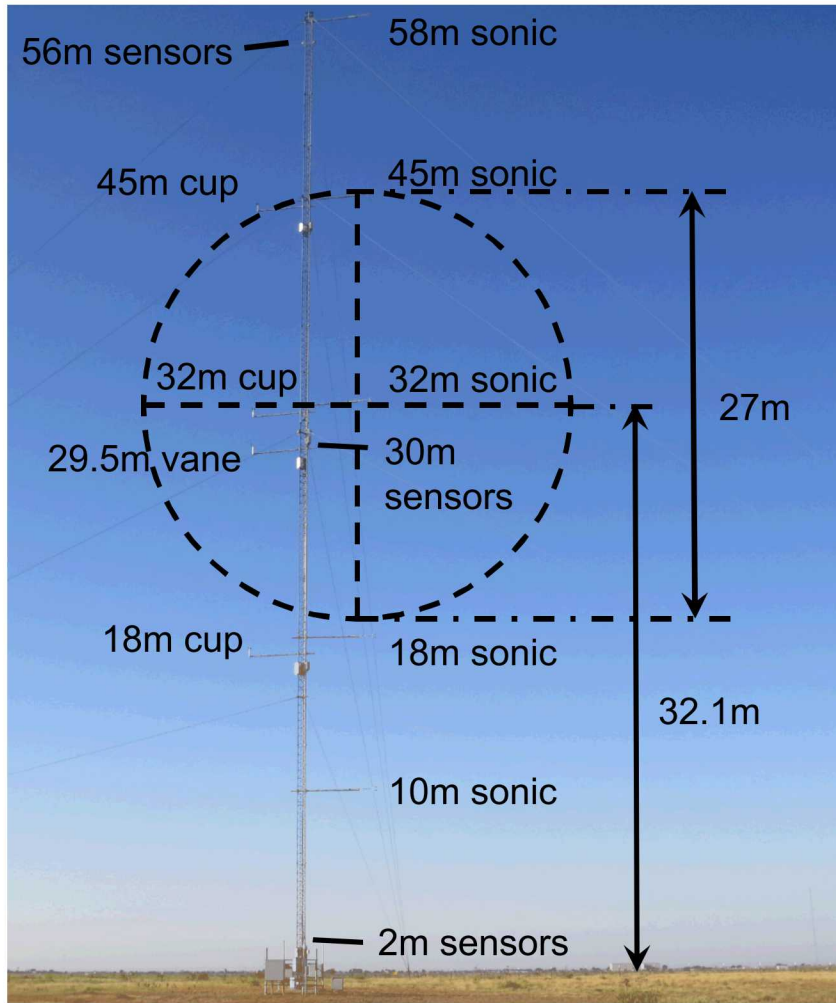
- Measure wind plant flows and turbine-turbine interactions
- Perform prototype testing of innovative rotor technology

Wake steering experiment sought to quantify wake deflection vs. yaw offset and the corresponding effects on a two-turbine system

- Characterize wake shape, velocity deficit, turbulence, and dynamics under various conditions



SWiFT Site Instrumentation



Measurements:

All sensor channels GPS timestamped

Inflow: 59m MET Tower (5 sonics)

Turbines

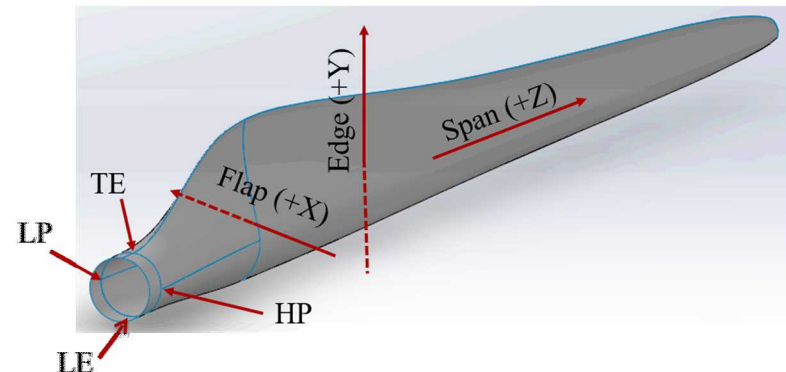
- WTGa1, upstream turbine highly instrumented, 1 blade root strain measured 4/19/17 – 7/14/17
- WTGa2, waked turbine highly instrumented, 1 blade root strain measured 7/11/17 – 7/13/17

Wake Flow Diagnostic:

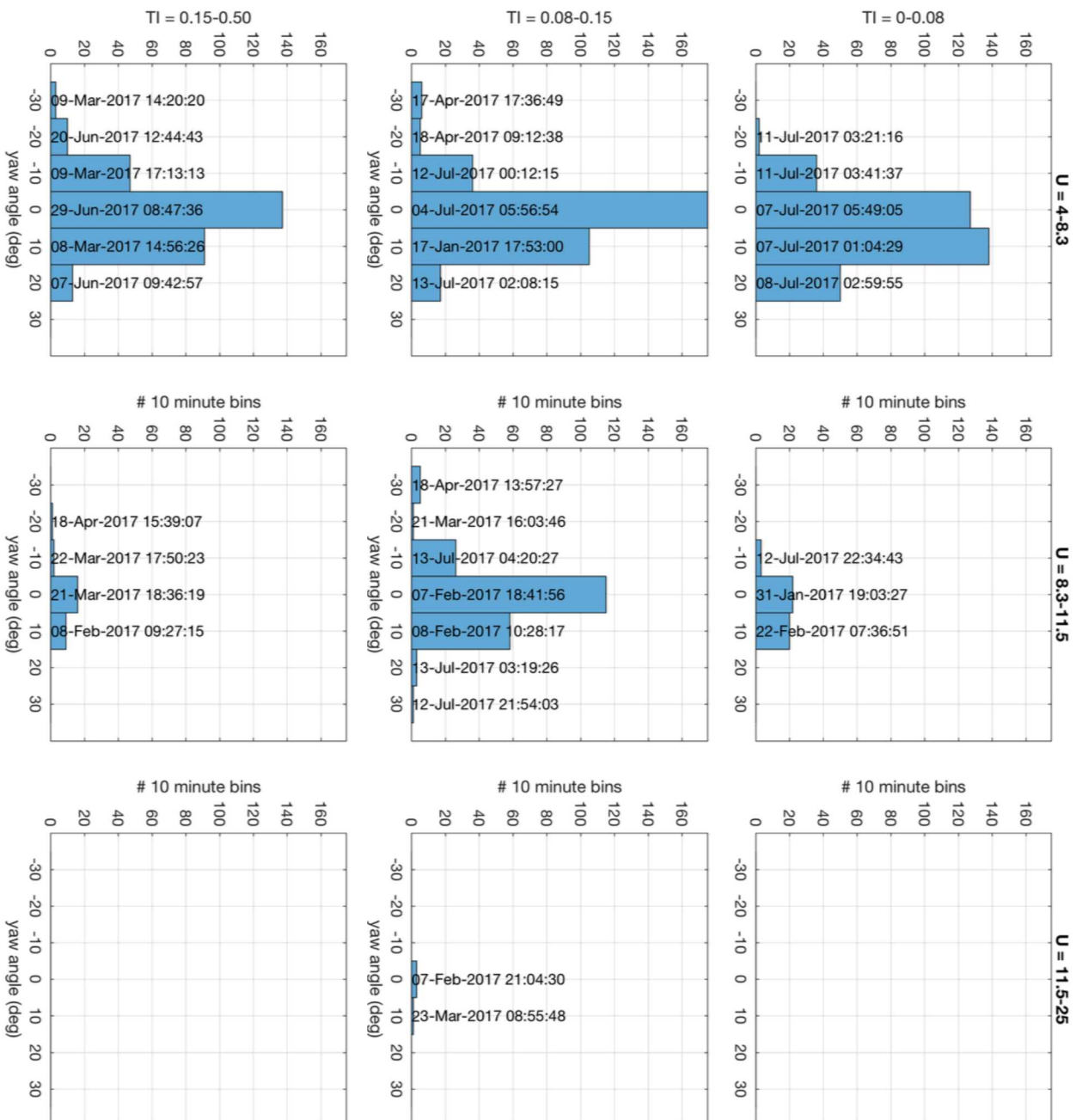
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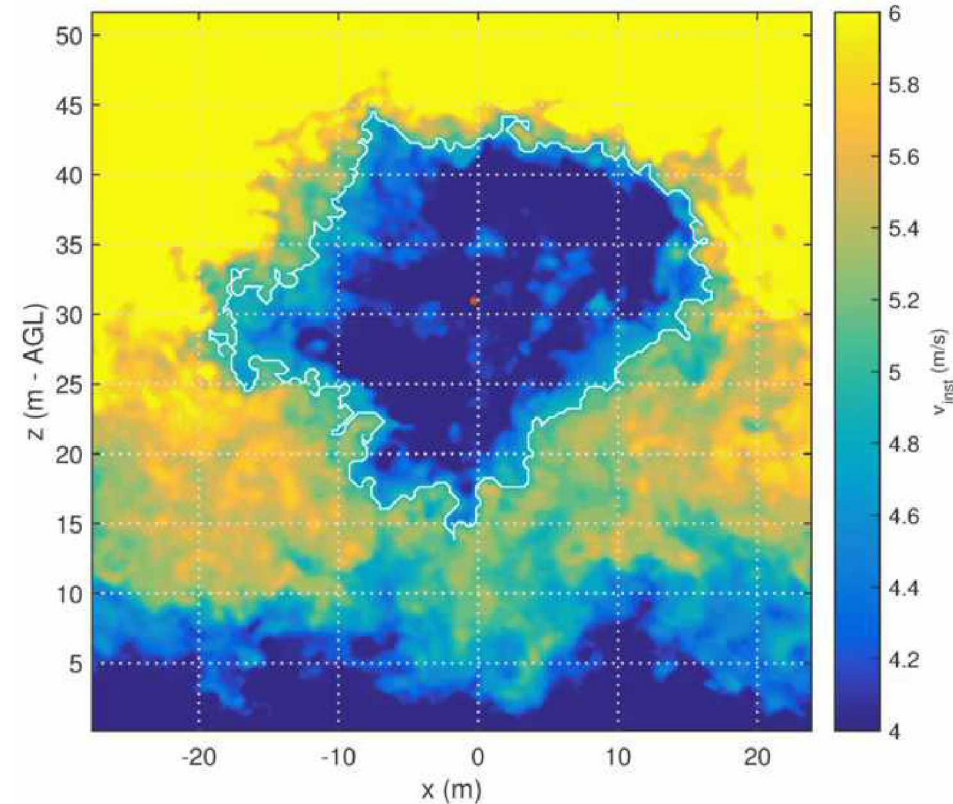
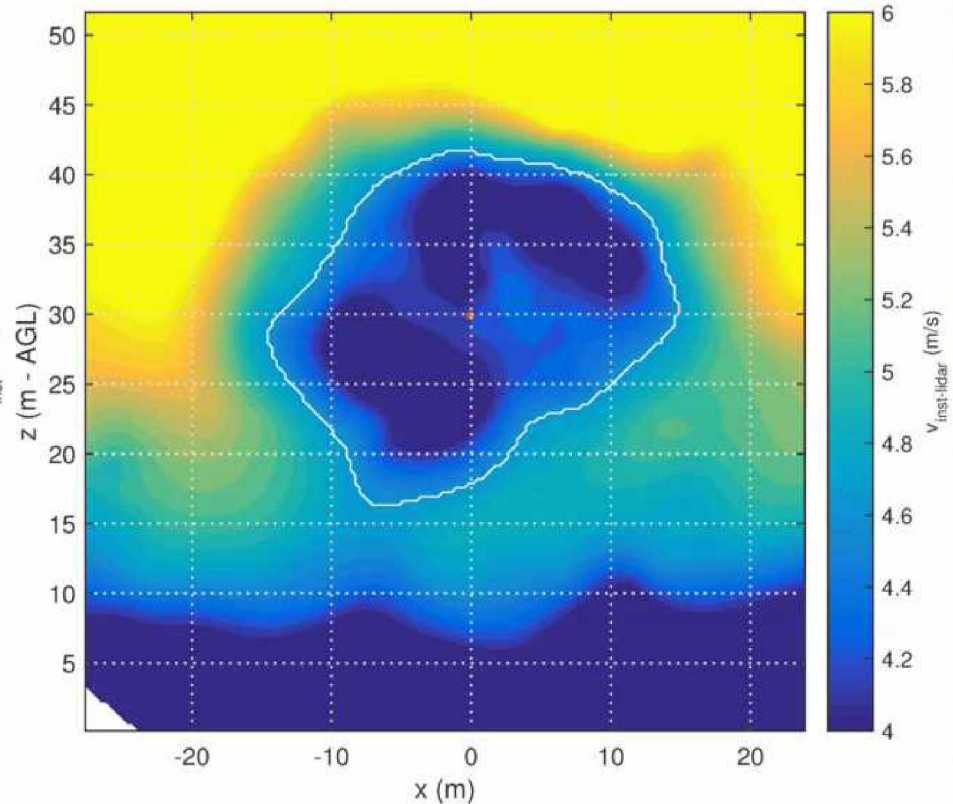
Data collected:

- 12/15/16 – 7/14/17



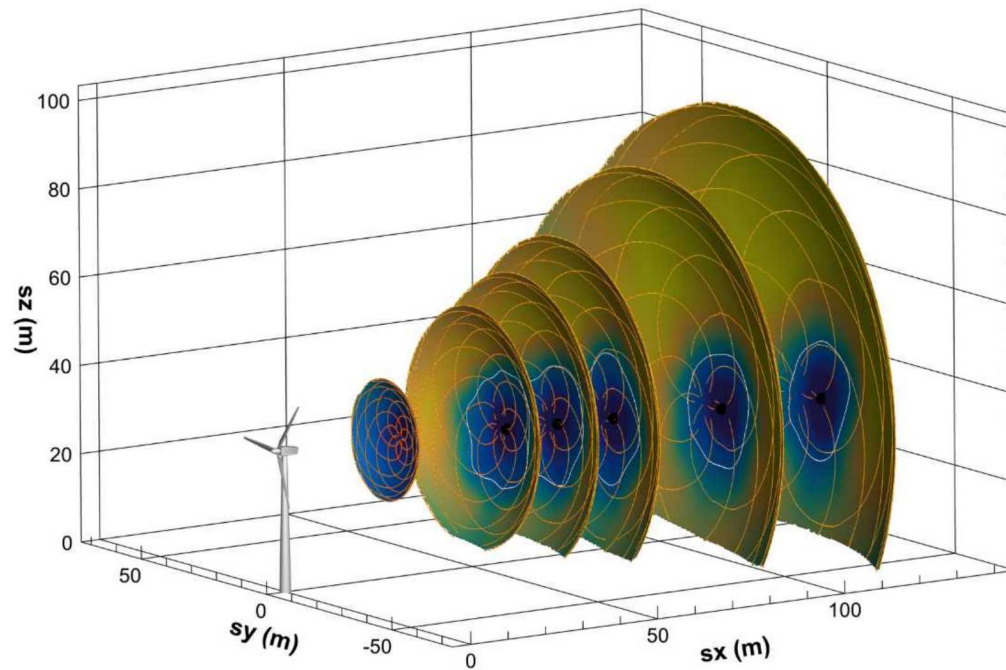
WTGal: Inflow Statistics



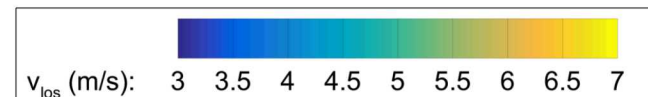
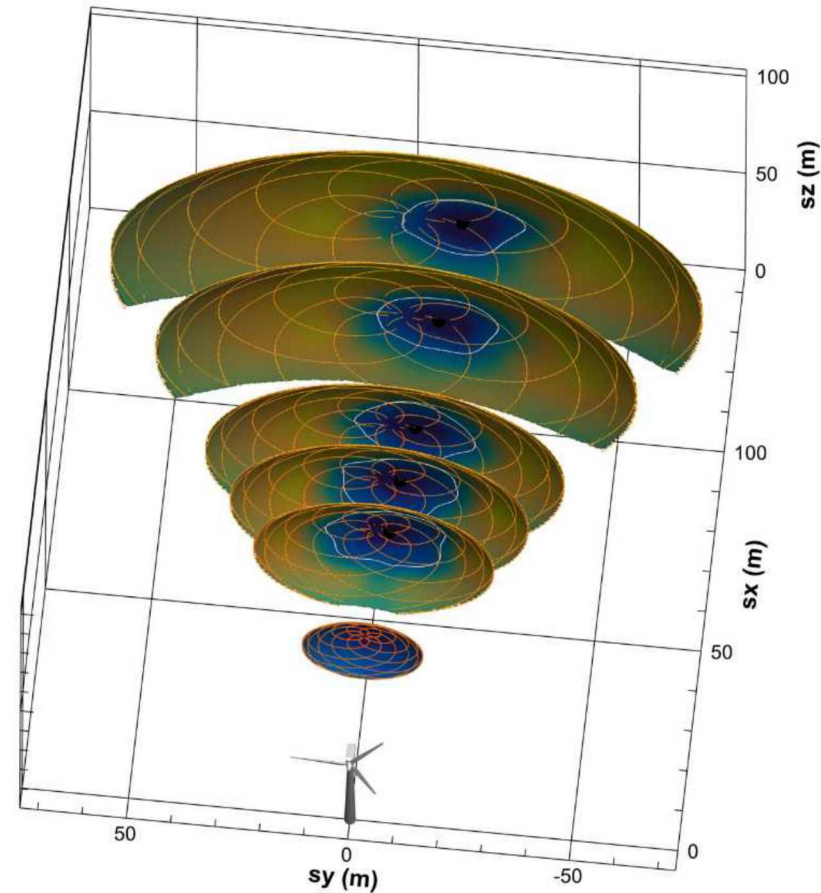
SOWFA Simulated
VelocitySimulated Lidar
Measurements

Comparison of identical time steps in order to show effect of SpinnerLidar on measurements and how that impacts wake position determination

Measurements at 3D downstream of turbine

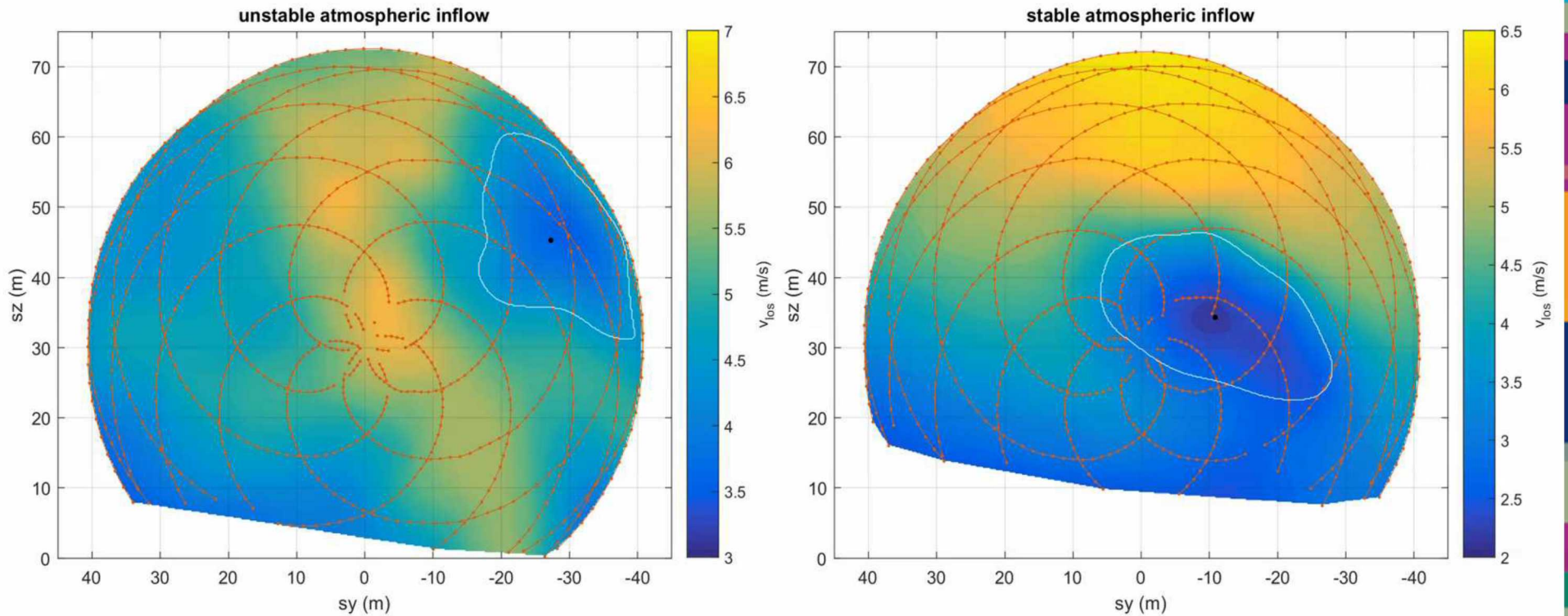


- Bulk Richardson = 1.7
- $z/L = 3.4$
- $\alpha = 0.19$
- wind speed = 6.8 m/s
- TI = 0.05
- $veer = 0.1^\circ$
- yaw offset = 4.0°
- yaw heading = 236.7 degN



7 WTGaI: Wake Tracking vs Inflow

Lidar data viewed 3D (81 m) downstream looking downwind



Stable ABL Positive Veer

Bulk Rich = 0.7

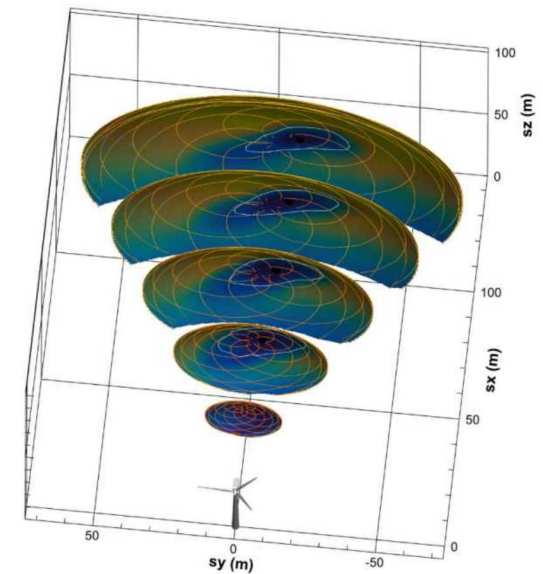
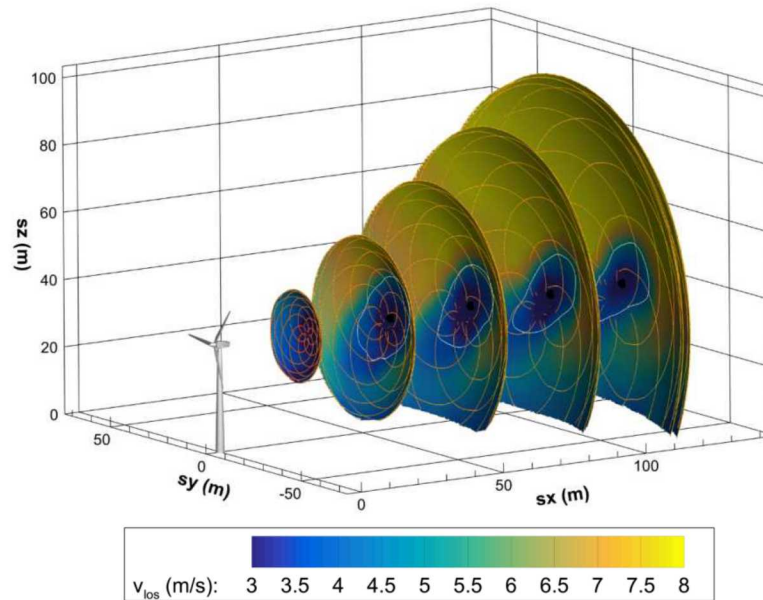
$z/L = 2.3$

$\alpha = 0.37$

TI = 0.04

veer = 14.6°

yaw offset = -0.12°



Stable ABL Negative Veer

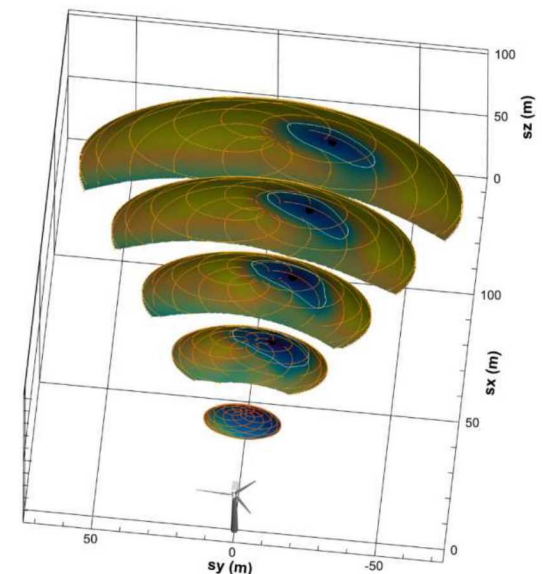
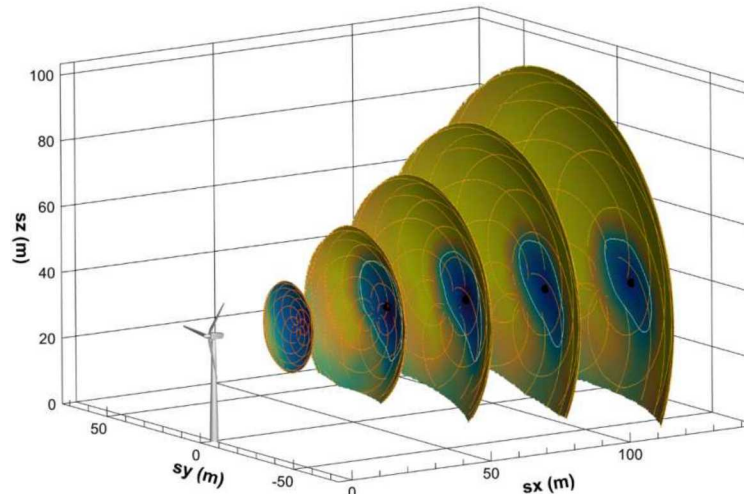
$z/L = 0.9$

$\alpha = 0.15$

TI = 0.08

veer = -5.0°

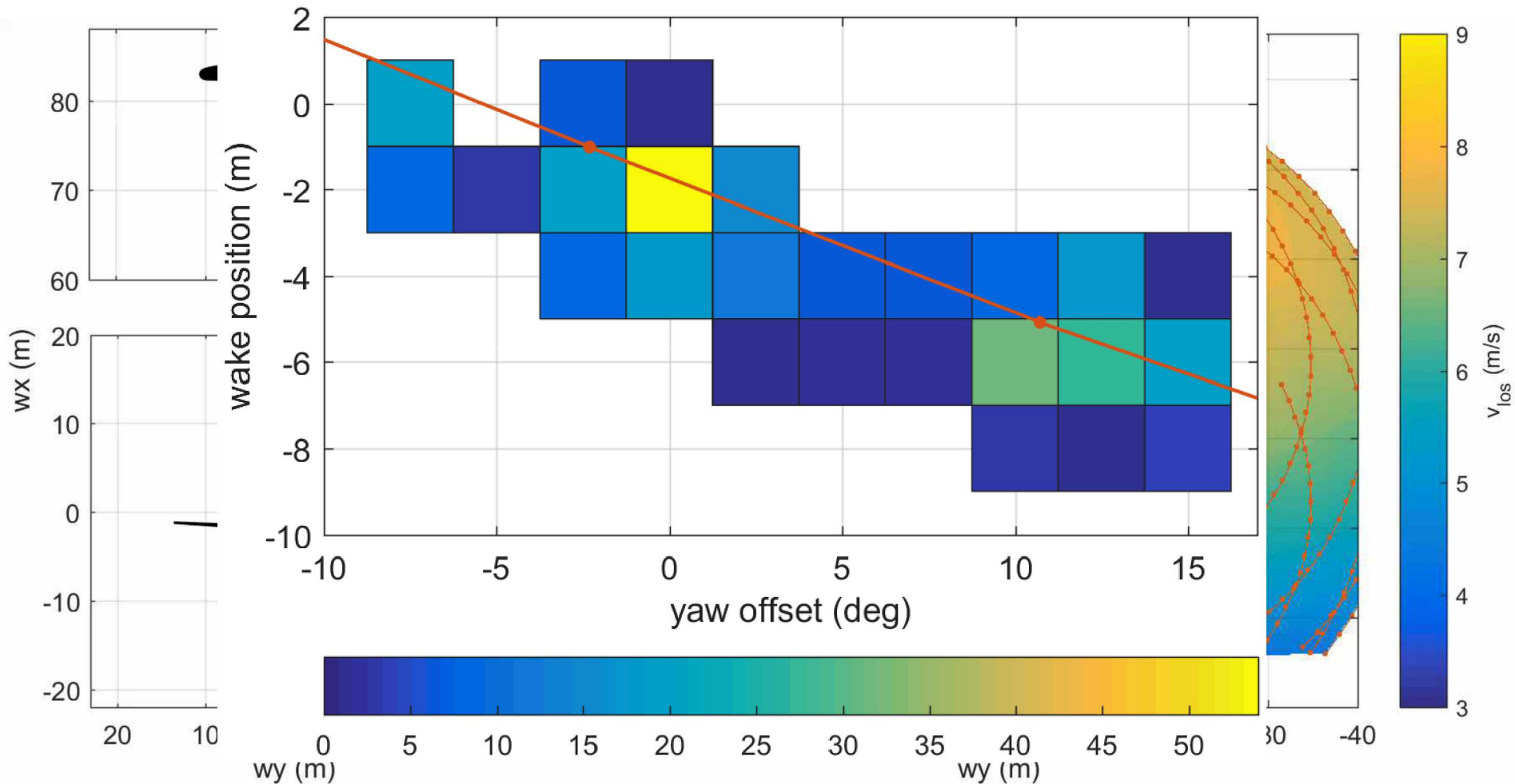
yaw offset = 10.9°



$$veer = \theta_{45m \text{ sonic}} - \theta_{18m \text{ sonic}}$$

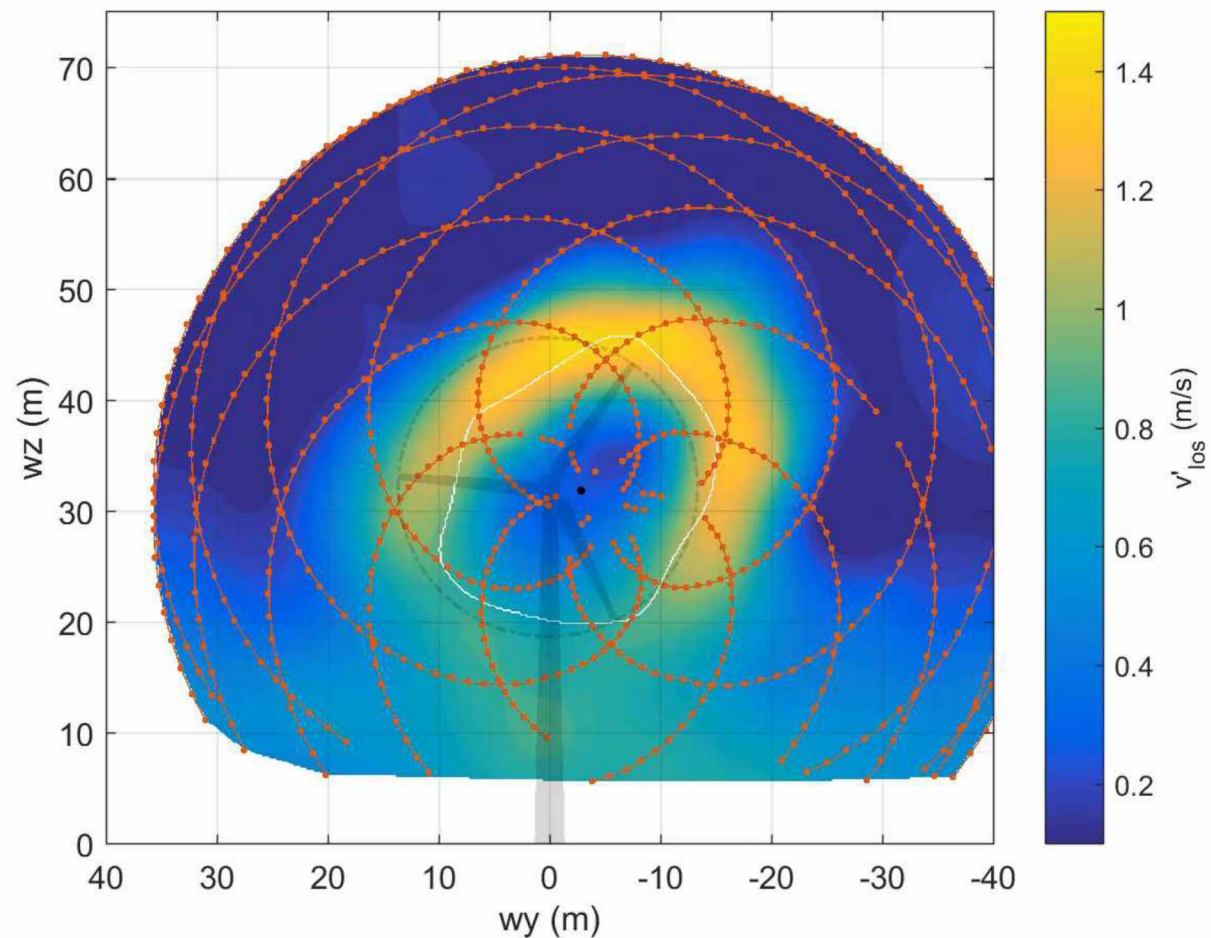
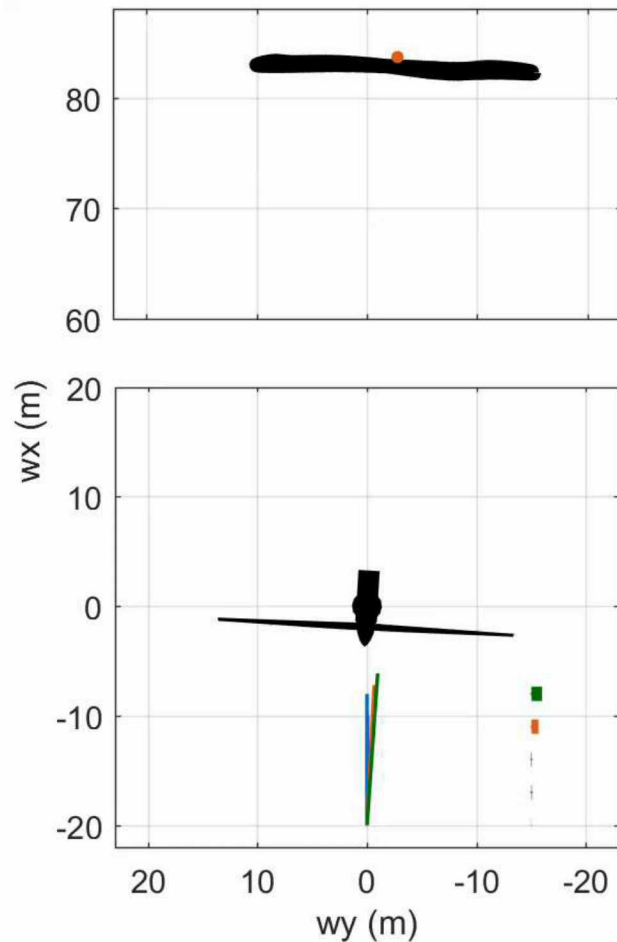
WTGal: Measuring impact of turbine state

- Bulk Richardson = 0.7
- $z/L = 3.1$
- $\alpha = 0.3$
- wind speed = 7.5 m/s
- TI = 0.08
- veer = 4.4°
- yaw offset = -7.5° to 15°
- Yaw heading = 159.5 degN



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11 WTGal: Stable BL Video at 2.5D

Obukhov length $z/L = 2.3$

$\alpha = 0.25$

wind speed = 5.7 m/s

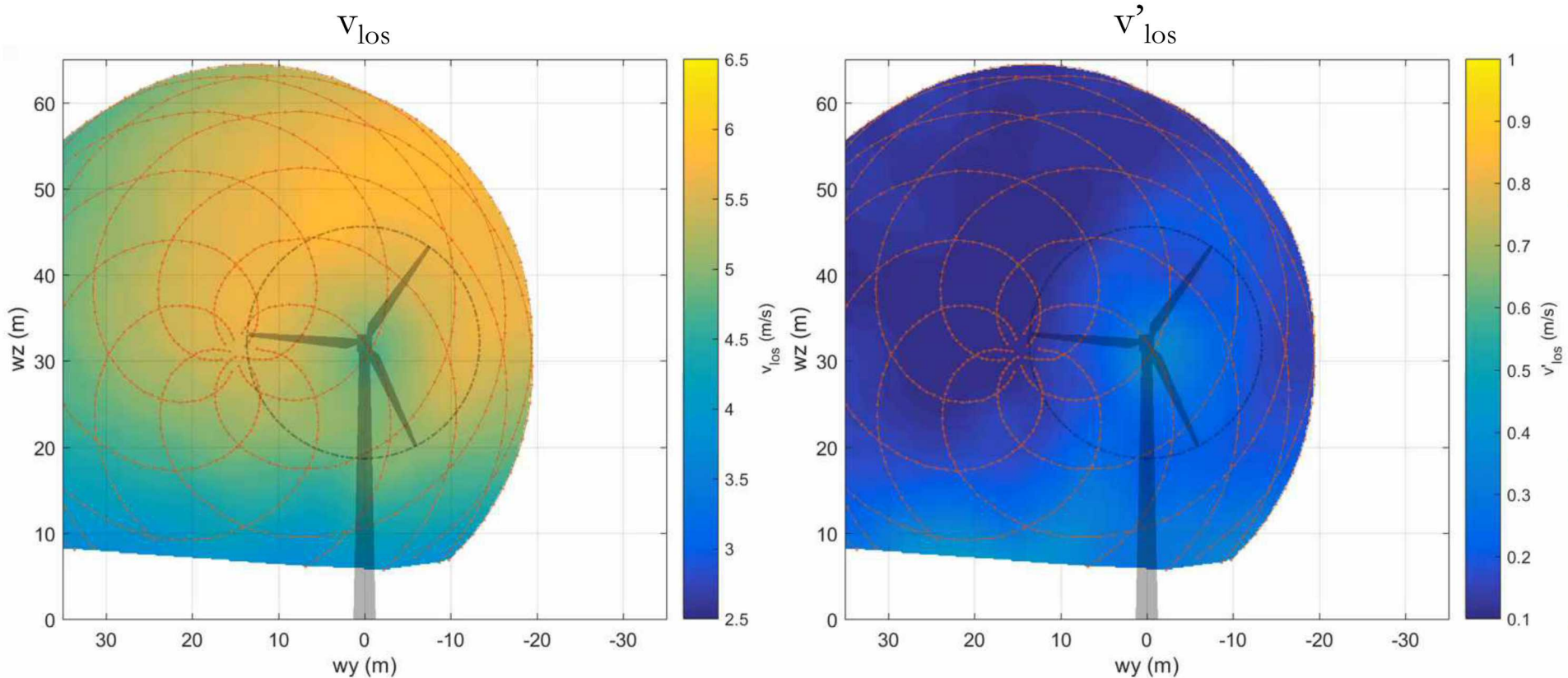
TI = 0.04

veer = 5.7°

yaw offset = 7.43°

yaw heading = 145.6 degN

Note that you can see turbulence coming off the nacelle and tower before the turbine turns on and the wake forms



WTGal: Neutral BL Video at 2.5D

Obukhov length $\zeta/L = 0.0$

$\alpha = 0.12$

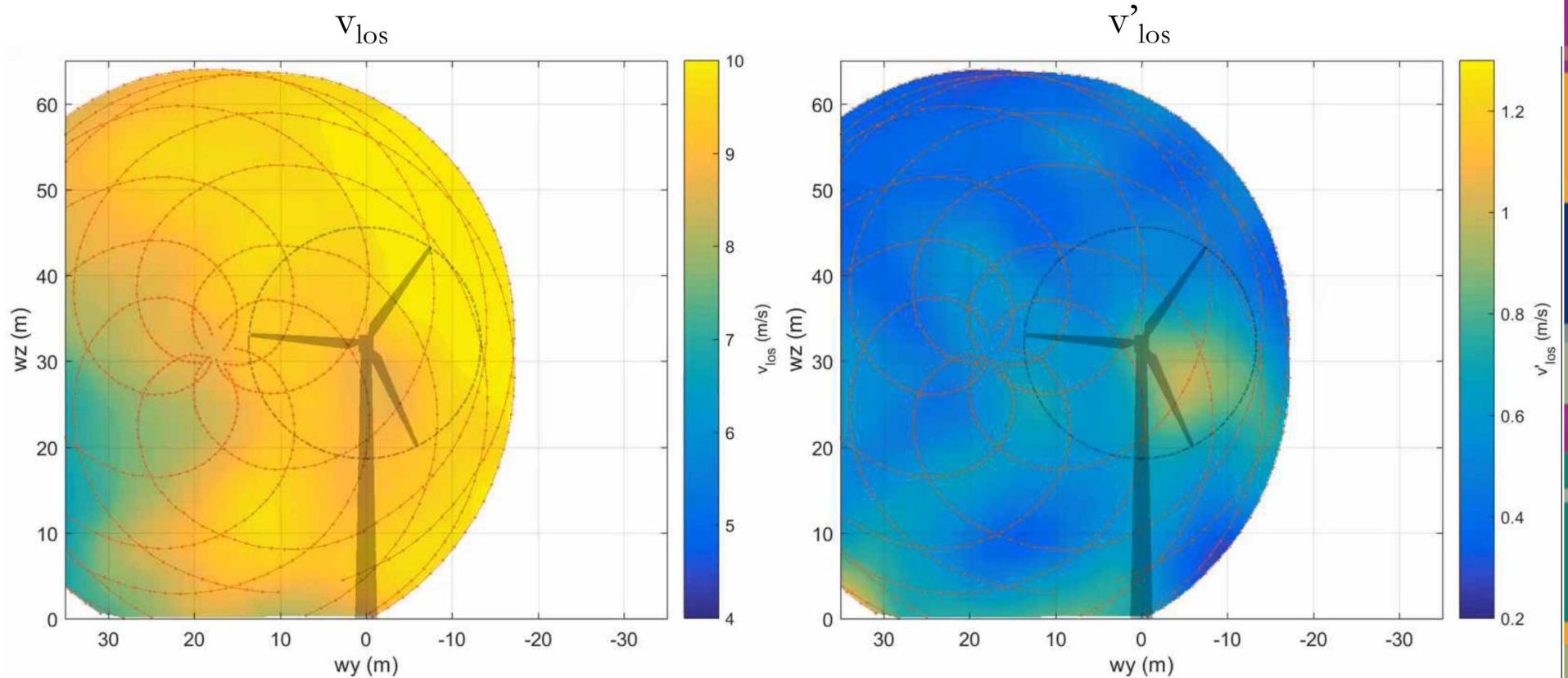
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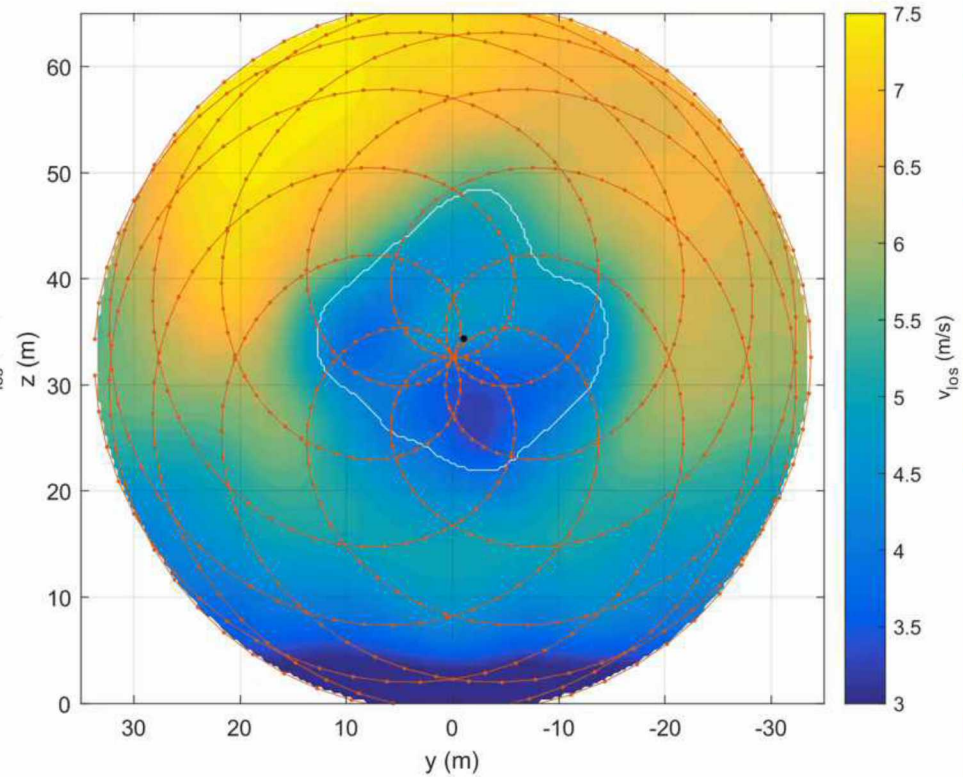
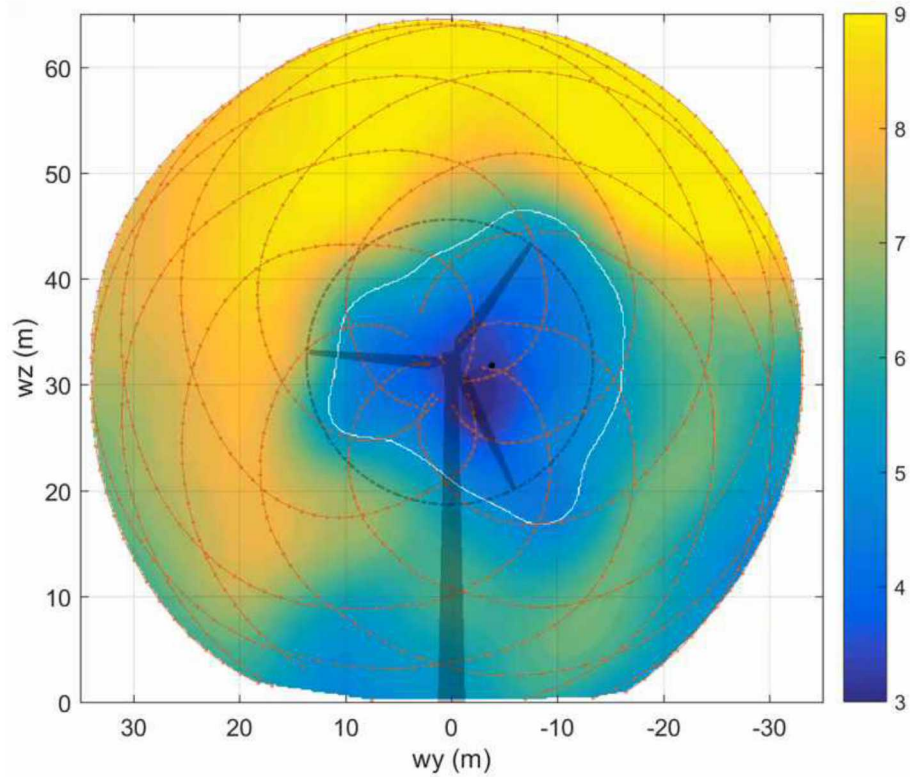
veer = 0.26°

yaw offset = 5.27°

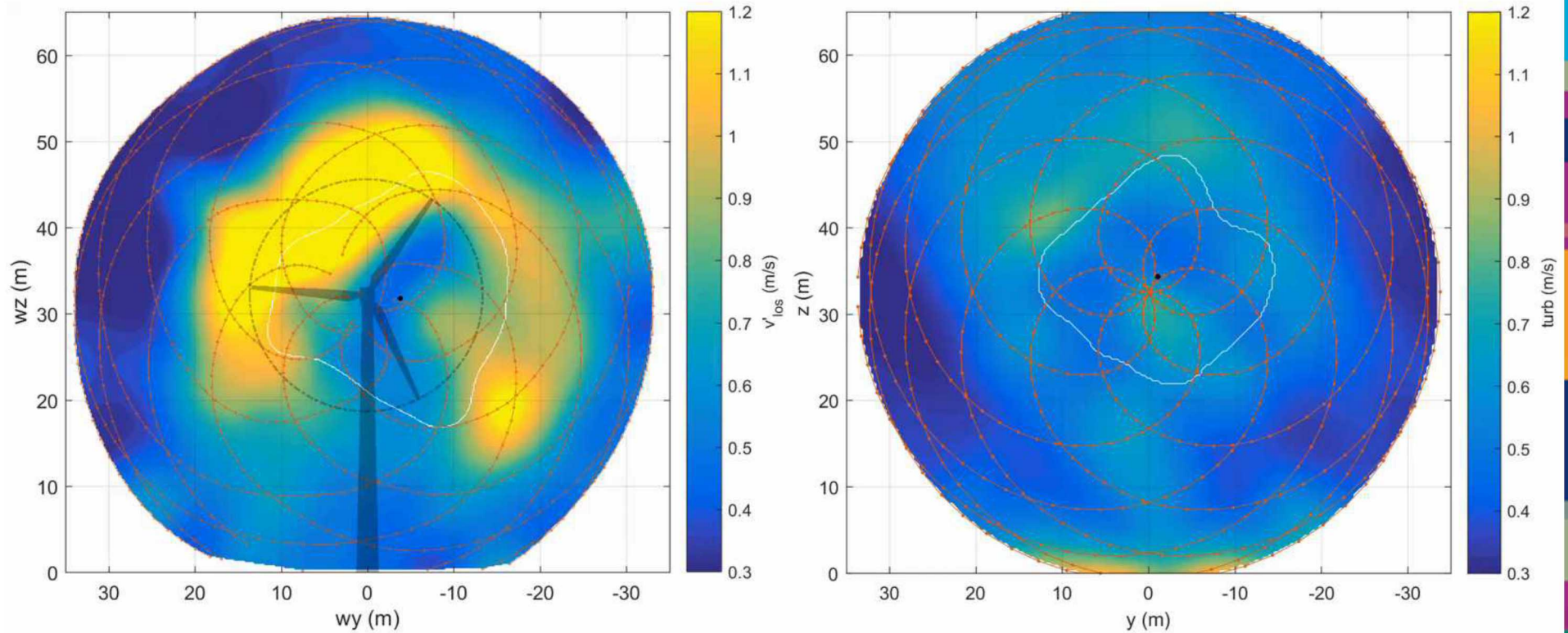
yaw heading = 198.3 degN

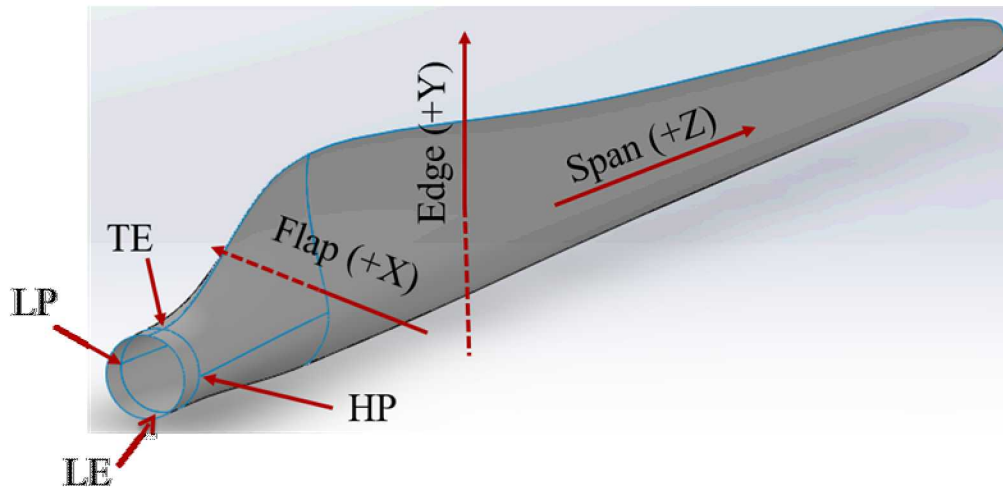
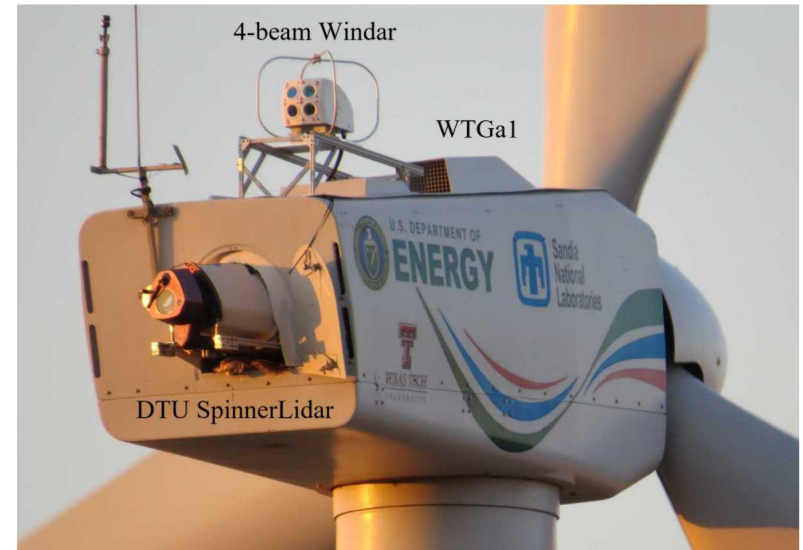
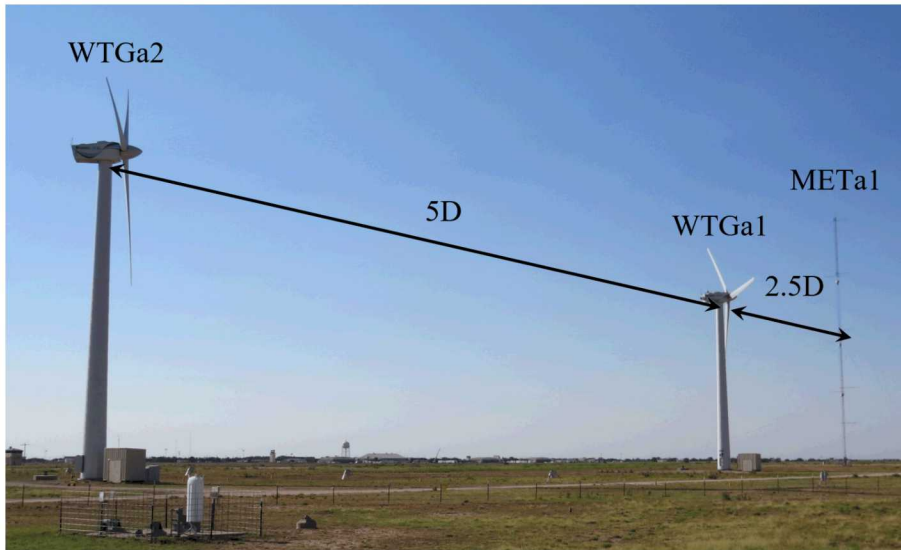


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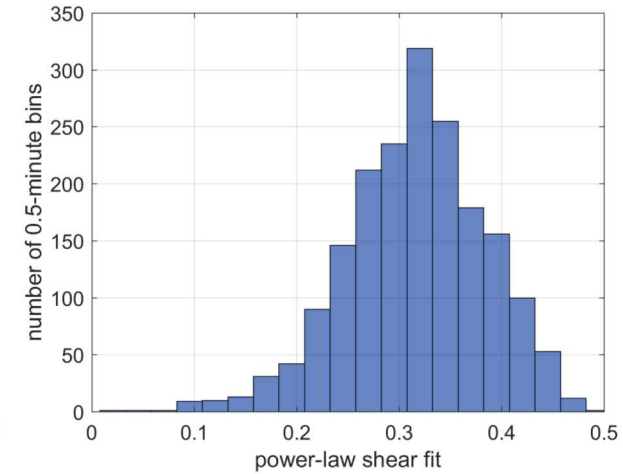
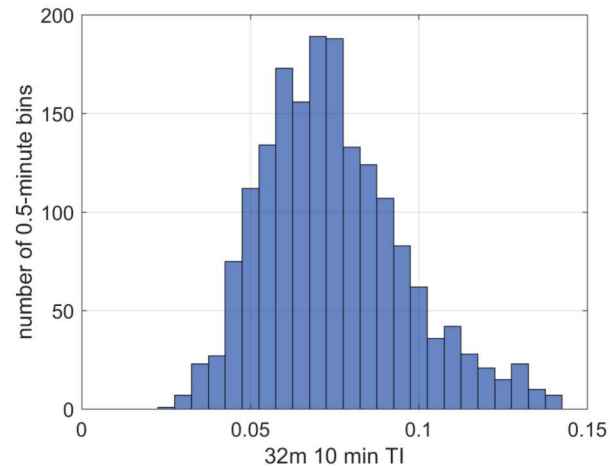
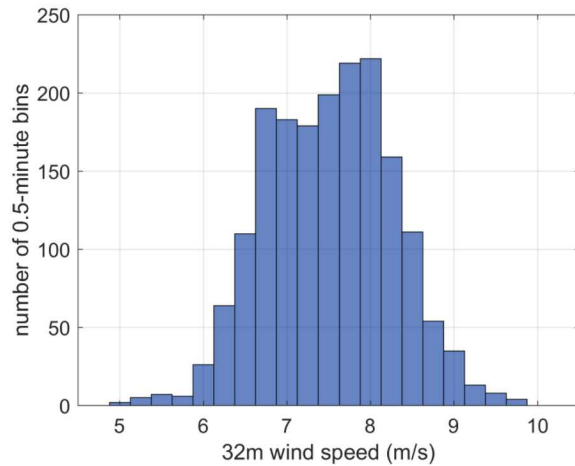


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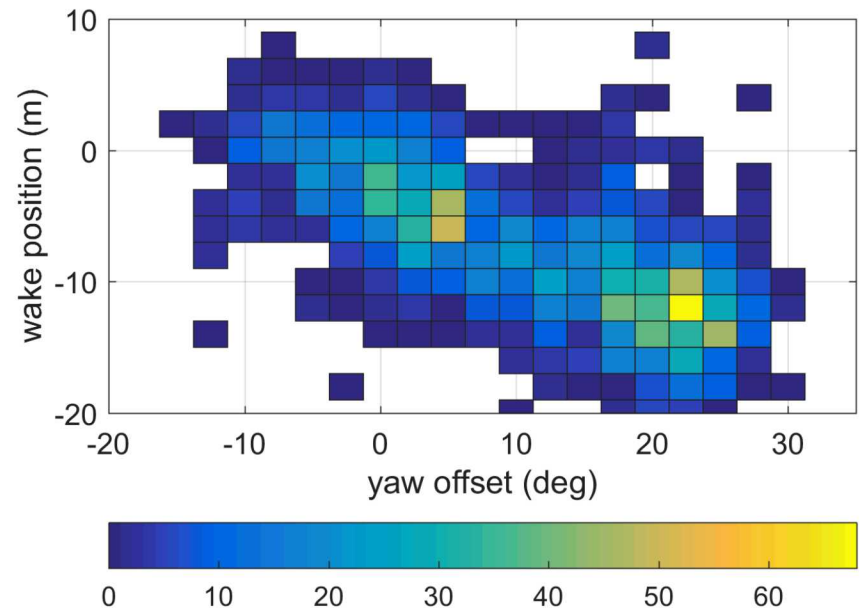


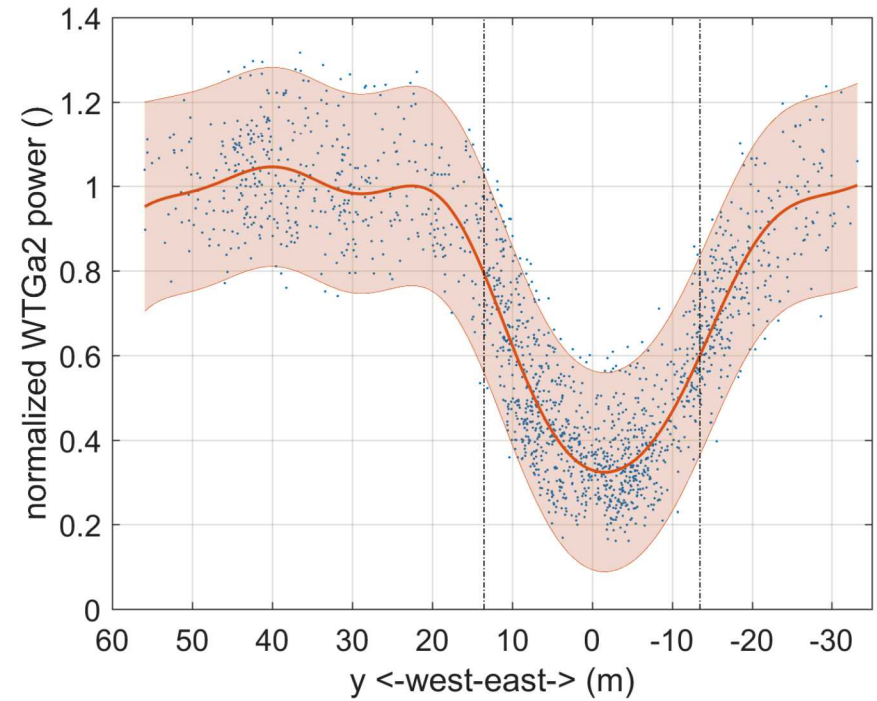
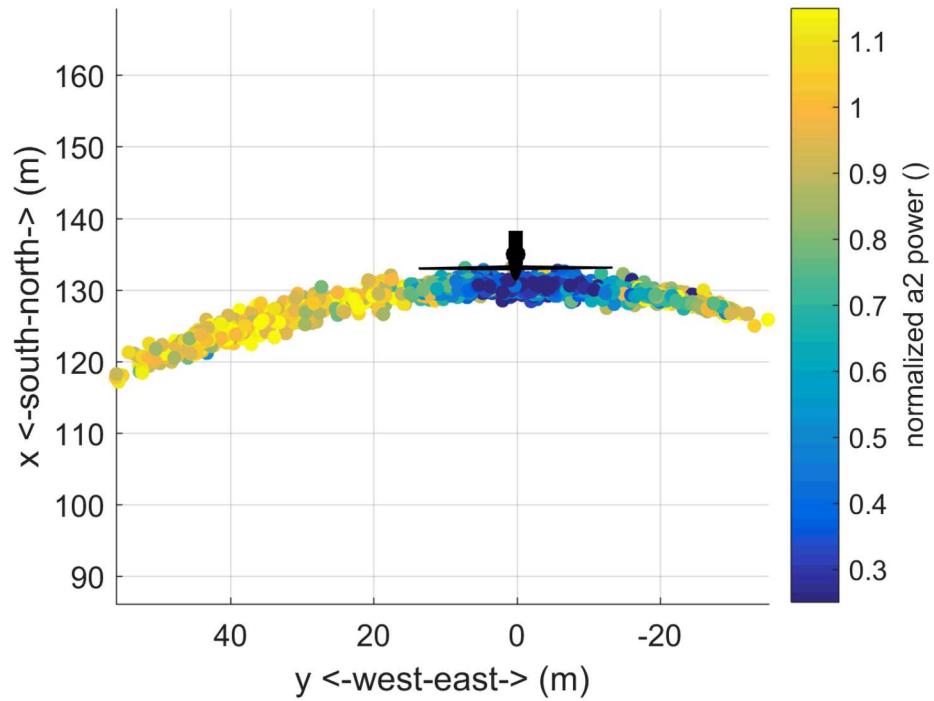


WTGa2: Waked Turbine Inflow Conditions

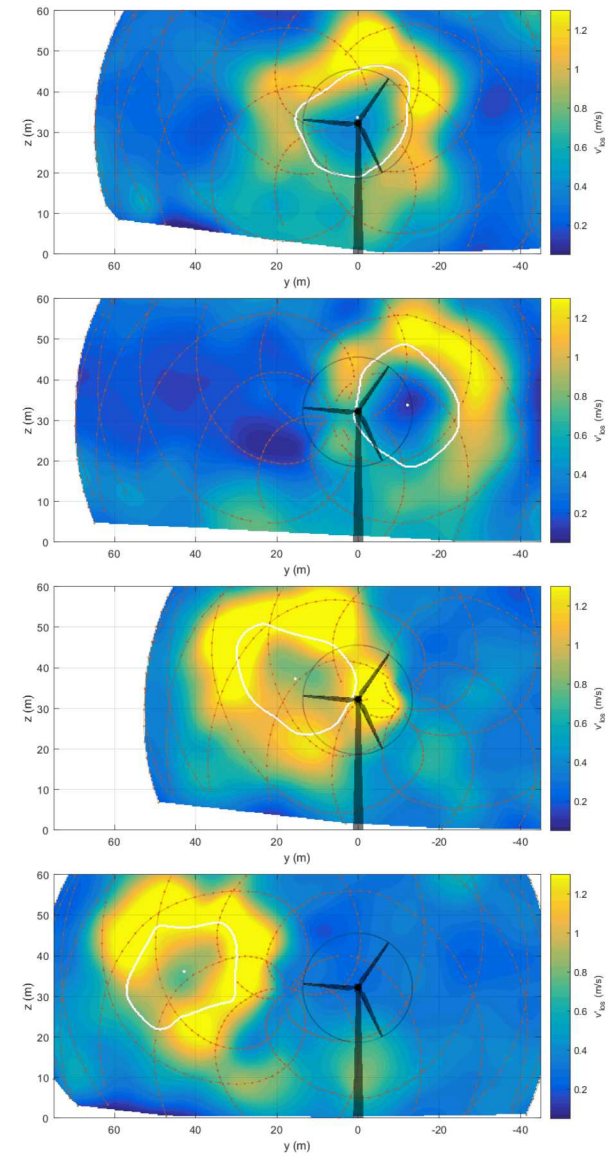
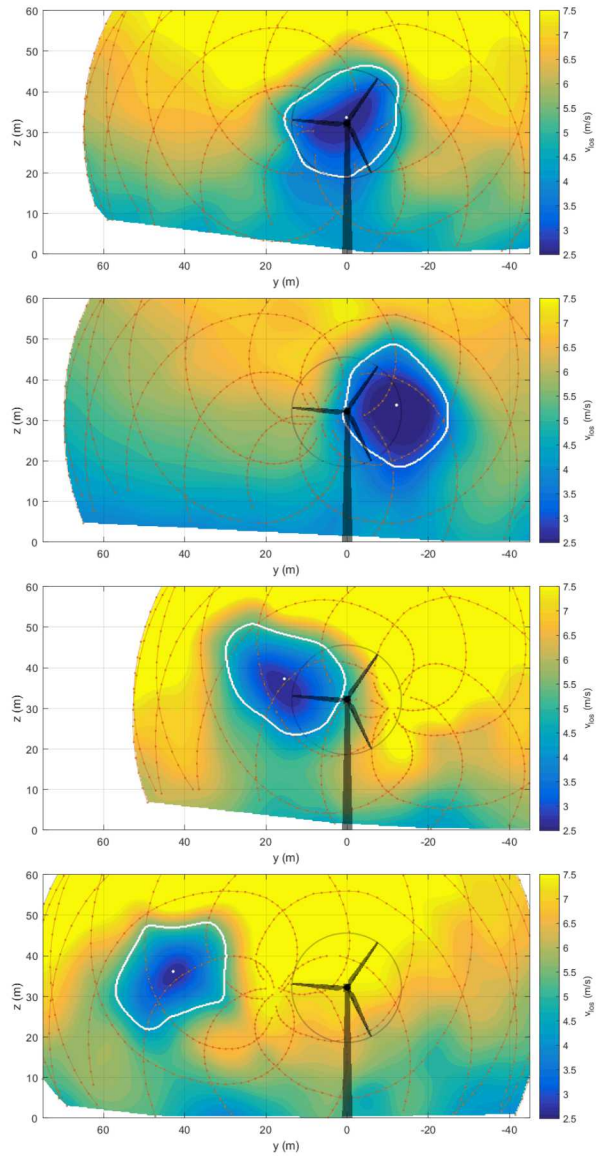


WTGa1 wake deflection vs.
yaw offset during waked
turbine period

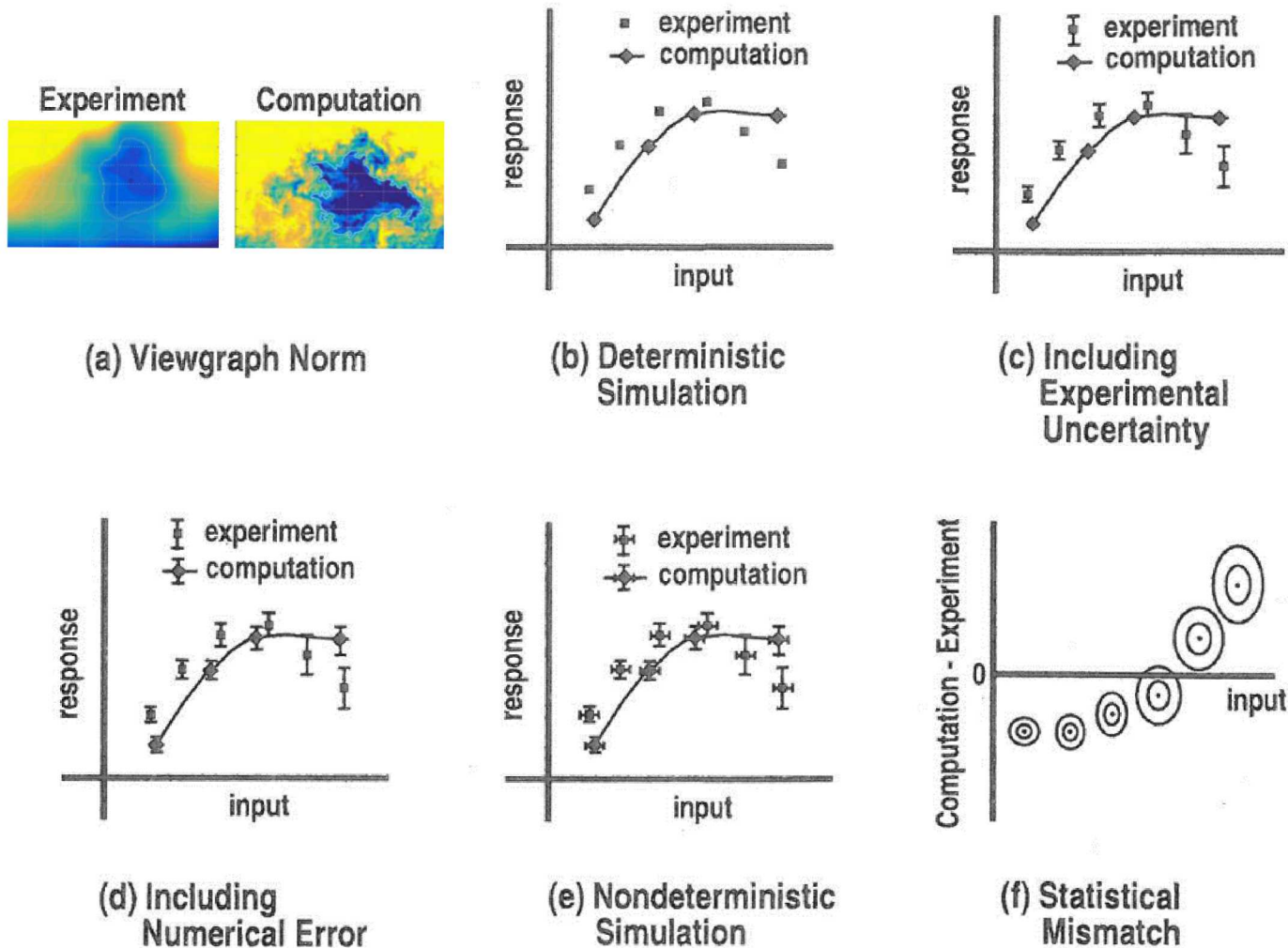




WTGa2: Wake Positions



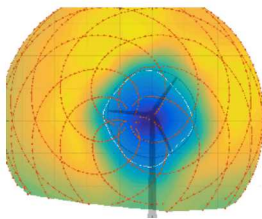
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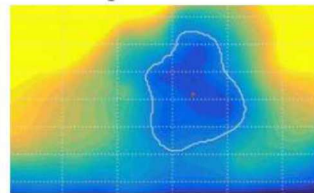
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Outcome: A quantitative assessment of experimental uncertainty and model prediction uncertainty using probabilistic methods for turbine and wake quantities of interest.

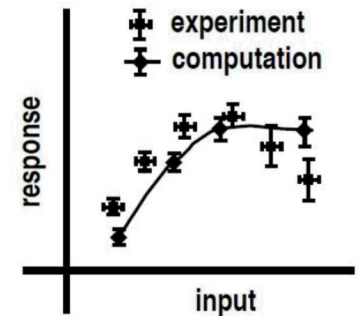
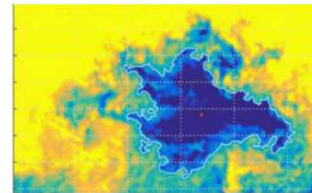
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Experiment



Computation



SWiFT Site Experimental Uncertainty Quantification

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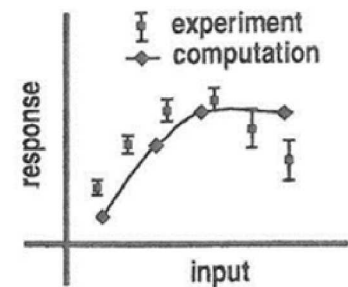
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- WD (vane)

■ Turbine Measurements

- Aerodynamic power
- Rotor speed
- Aerodynamic torque
- Rotor thrust
- Individual blade root loads (instantaneous)
- Individual blade loading profile (instantaneous)
- Nacelle measured wind direction
- Nacelle measured wind speed
- Yaw heading
- Yaw misalignment
- Blade pitch
- Rotor azimuth
- Nacelle acceleration

■ Wake Measurements

- DTU Spinner Lidar
- Wake identification and tracking
- Turbulence estimators



SWiFT Site Experimental Uncertainty Quantification

Measurand	units	u	$u/\text{mean} (\%)$	mean
α	—	1.88×10^{-3}	0.89	0.21
ρ	kg/m ³	7.9×10^{-4}	0.0731	1.08
p	Pa	1.53	1.71×10^{-3}	89500
RH	%	2.01	4.49	46.8
T	K	0.212	0.0733	289
TI (sonic)	—	1.23×10^{-3}	1.02	0.12
U_{∞} (sonic)	m/s	0.0439	0.207	6.82
U (sonic)	m/s	0.01	0.207	4.82
V (sonic)	m/s	0.01	0.207	4.82
U_{∞} (cup)	m/s	0.20	2.93	6.82
U_{∞} (nacelle)	m/s	0.50	7.33	6.82
Vr (sonic)	°	1.73	86	2.0
WD (sonic)	°	1.22	0.69	176
WD (vane)	°	1.20	0.68	176

Goal to have data on DAP by end of Q3 2018

Uploaded data will provide 10-min bin data for sorting

Data loaded chronologically

Sample of data will be purposefully withheld for benchmark

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