Analysis of turbulence models fitted to site, and their impact on the response of a bottom fixed wind turbine

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Incident wind Response 300 200 (I/2 Hz¹)² Hz¹) 100 PSD ((MNm)² Hz⁻1) 120 (MNm)² Hz⁻1) TIMESR TIMESR Model based on - Mann - Mann FitMann - FitMann measurements 6 \sim Q 0.04 0.06 0 0.02 0.04 0.06 0.08 0.1 0 0.02 0.08 0.1 Frequency (Hz) Frequency (Hz) (a) M_z (b) $M_{T,Y}$ Mann 5 × 10⁴ 1500 ------ TIMESR PSD ((MNm)² Hz⁻¹) m)² Hz⁻1) TIMESR Mann - Mann FitMann - FitMann 1000 PSD ((MNr 500 Fitting Mann Design 0 L 0.08 0.02 0.04 0.06 0.1 0.02 0.04 0.06 0.08 0.1 0 Frequency (Hz) Frequency (Hz) (d) M_F (c) $M_{B,y}$

Motivation





Overview of procedure





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Wind characteristics of the chosen situation



- 1 hour
- Neutral stratification
- U_{hub} = 12.4 m/s
- TI = 6 %
- α = 0.06
- 6 realizations

Wind field generation







Impact on response

Wind spectrum:

- Response in the low-frequency range is mainly quasi-static
- The shape of the wind spectrum is reflected in the response spectrum of the blade root and tower bottom

Coherence:

- High coherence: Uniform load over the rotor/blade causing large tower bottom fore-aft/blade root flapwise bending moments (C)
- Low coherence: Loads over rotor area partly cancels causing low tower bottom bending, but may cause large yaw and tower top bending (A, B, D)





Wind spectra





Similar vertical coherence



40 m separation distance

*Davenport coherence model



Low lateral coherence of (Fit)Mann



36 m and 125 m separation distance

*Davenport coherence model



Tower bottom bending moment fore-aft



FitMann approaches TIMESR



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Tower top yaw moment



(Fit)Mann higher response than TIMESR



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Blade root bending moment



The relative differences in response across methods are similar to tower bottom

As both moments are heavily influenced by the shape of the wind spectra

Tower top fore-aft bending moment

The relative differences in response across methods are similar to yaw

• As both responses are influenced both by the wind spectra and the coherence

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Significant differences in response across methods observed

FitMann may improve results further when fitted to other stability conditions



Thank you

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