

An expert elicitation on flow models for wind farm control

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01 Elicitation Introduction



Overview

- Objective of eliciting the relative importance of model inputs for the analysis of wind farm flow control.
- Wake steering and induction control were the two methods considered.
- The model aims were restricted to low and high frequency power and fatigue load investigation under each control method.

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Wake Steering		
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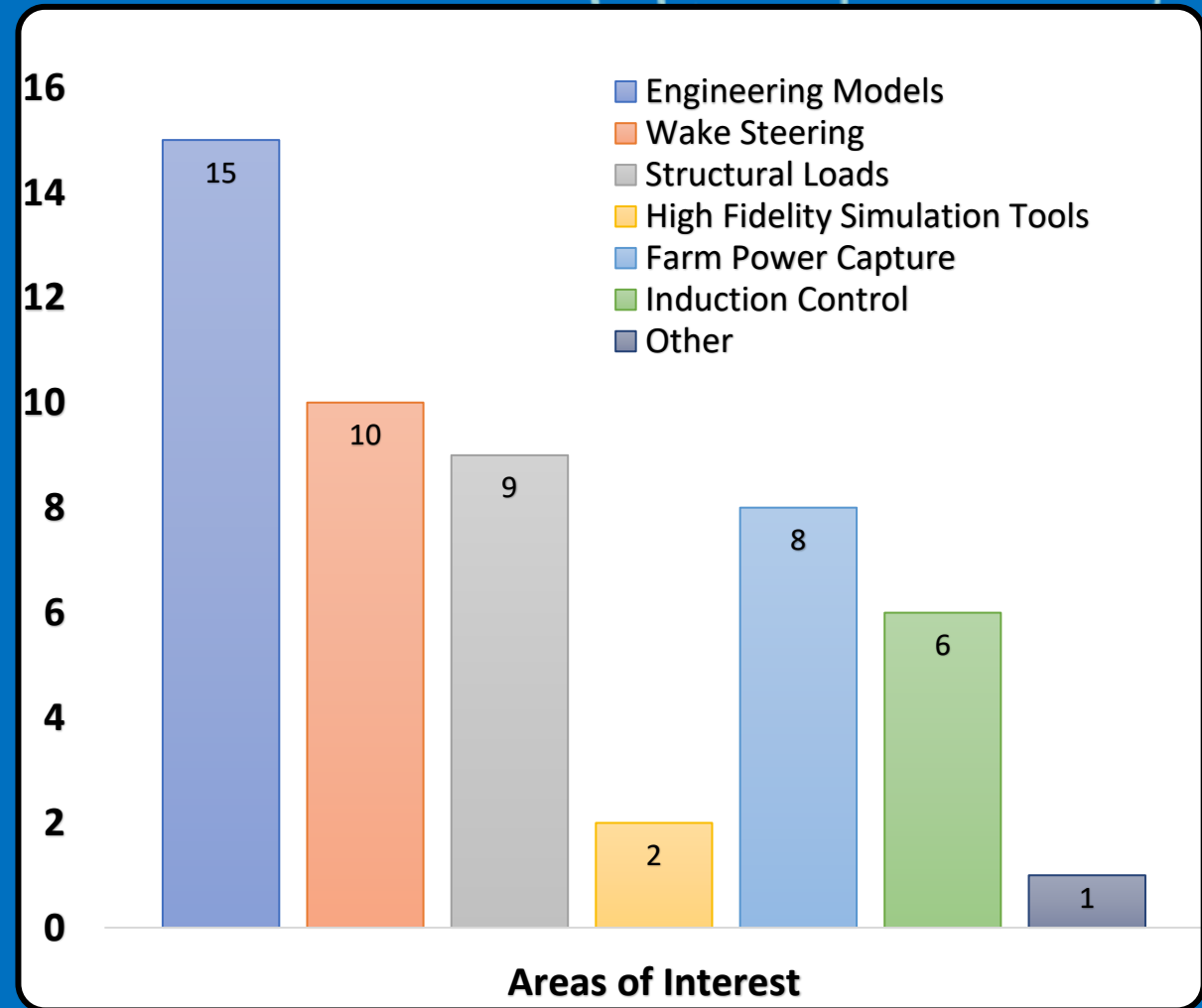
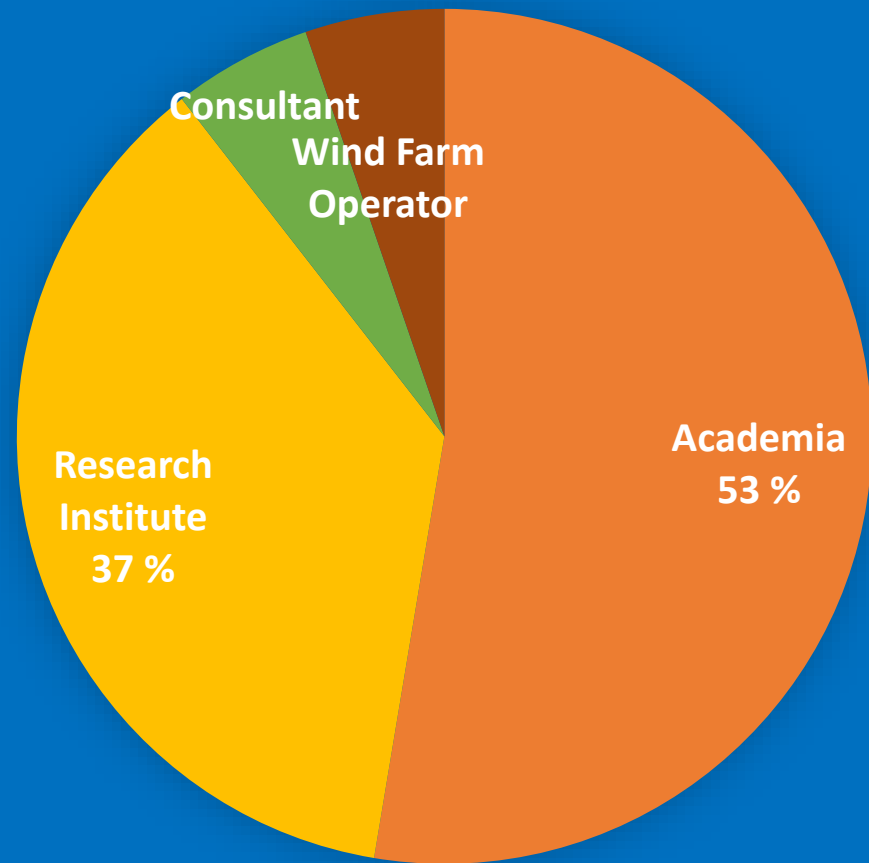
- Each question asked respondents to rank model inputs from 1 to 4 in terms of importance towards the desired investigation:

1 Not required/Not adequate **2** Beneficial to have **3** Required (low fidelity/resolution) **4** Required (high fidelity/resolution)

02 Elicitation Process and Details



Demographics



03 Results Section

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Visualisation

Unalikeability Coefficient

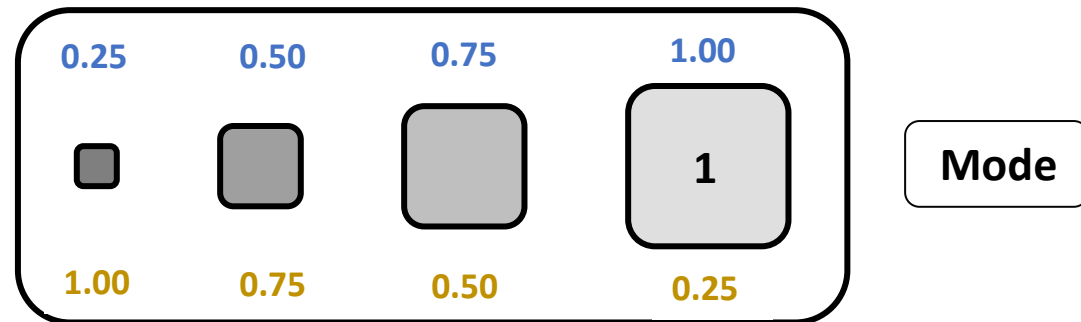
$$u = \frac{\sum_{i \neq j} c(x_i, x_j)}{n^2 - n}$$

where,

$$c(x_i, x_j) = \begin{cases} 1, & x_i \neq x_j \\ 0, & x_i = x_j \end{cases}$$

$n = \text{total participants.}$

Area = unalikeability across each category squared.



Opacity = unalikeability in binary category.

3.1

Ambient Wind



	Rotor Averaged Effects				Local Rotor or Blade Effects		
	Speed	Direction	Lateral Correlation	Longitudinal Correlation	High Frequency Turbulence	Shear	Veer
Wake Steering							
Low Frequency Power Investigation	3	3	2	2, 3	2	2	2
High Frequency Power Investigation	4	4	2	3	3	2	2
Fatigue Load Investigation	4	4	2	3	4	3	3
Induction Control							
Low Frequency Power Investigation	3	3	2	2	2	2	2
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Disturbed Flow



	Wake Effects					ABL Effects	
	Turbulence	Deflection	Meandering	Advection	Profile, Shape and Diffusion	Vertical Distribution	Longitudinal
Wake Steering							
Low Frequency Power Investigation	2	3	2	2	3	2	2
High Frequency Power Investigation	2, 3, 4	4	3	3	3	2	2
Fatigue Load Investigation	3, 4	3	4	2	3	2	2
Induction Control							
Low Frequency Power Investigation	2	1	2	2, 3	3	2	2
High Frequency Power Investigation	3	3	3	3	3	2	2
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04 Discussion and Conclusion



Limitations

- Restricted demographic set.
 - **Solution: distributed through IEA task 44.**
- Differences in interpretation of questions.
 - **Solution: definitions provided with survey.**
- Situation is more nuanced than 1-4 ranking can reflect.
 - **Solution: comment boxes to allow for qualitative answers.**



Achievements

- A useful guide for model input requirements and relative importance.
 - **Stimulates discussion.**
- Identifies areas of focus for model developments at different fidelities.
 - **Future research.**
- Helps to match existing software to their capabilities.
 - **Next step in the process.**



Thank You!

Questions?

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