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# Lidar measurements validation under coastal condition

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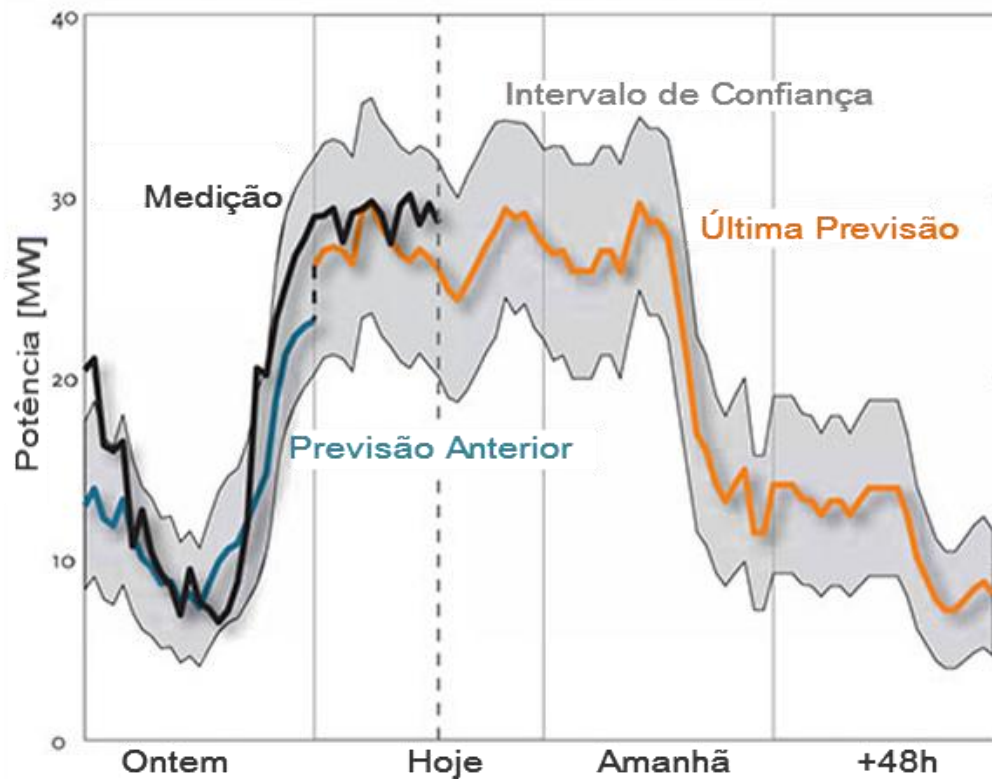
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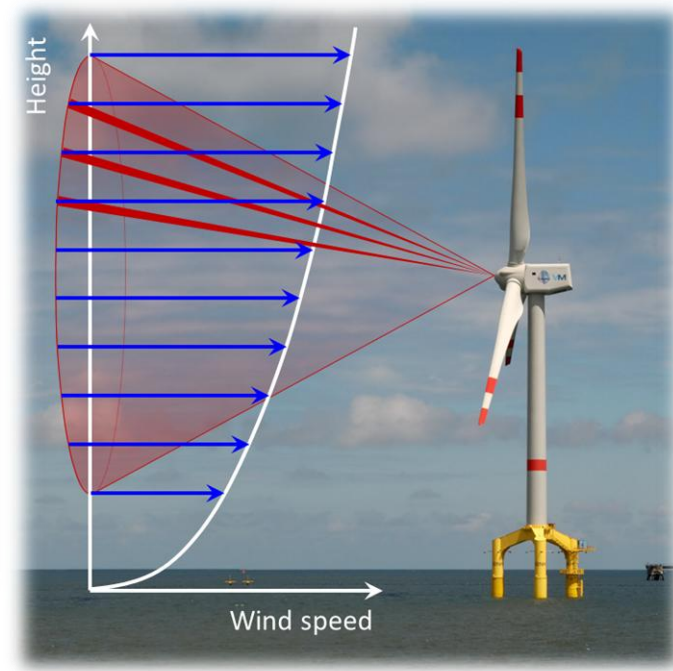
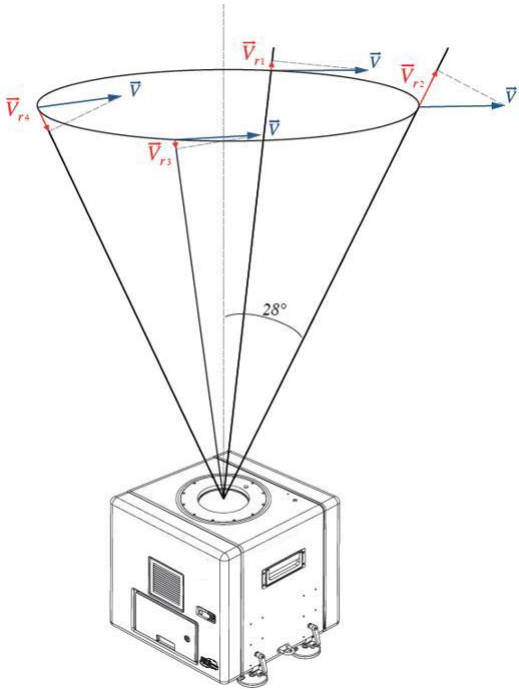
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Lidar applications for environmental sciences  
VIII Workshop in Lidar Measurements  
in Latin America  
Cayo Coco, Cuba

- **3-years R&D Project UFSC-IFSC-Tractebel Energia S.A. (GDF Suez);**
- **EUR 800,000.00 (Hardware + Software + HR) from 2011 to 2014;**
- **Short-term (72h) wind power forecasting software;**



- Lidar technology being used in **wind energy applications**;
- Data validation under **distinct atmospheric conditions**;



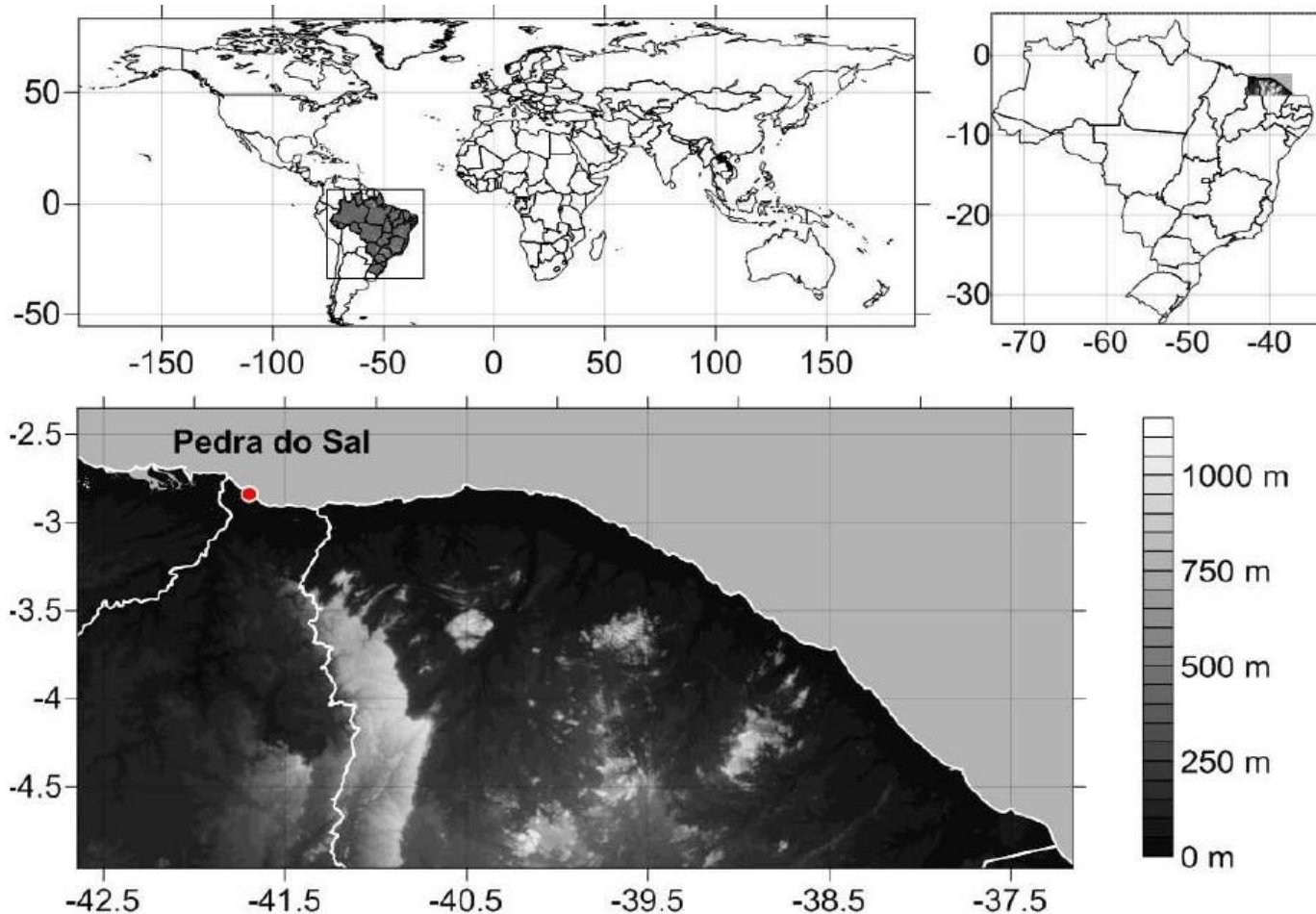
- Few studies with **long-term measurement campaign** (1 year or more);
- **Validate seasonal effects and winds at coastal conditions;**
- **Minimize the drawbacks of being an end-user;**



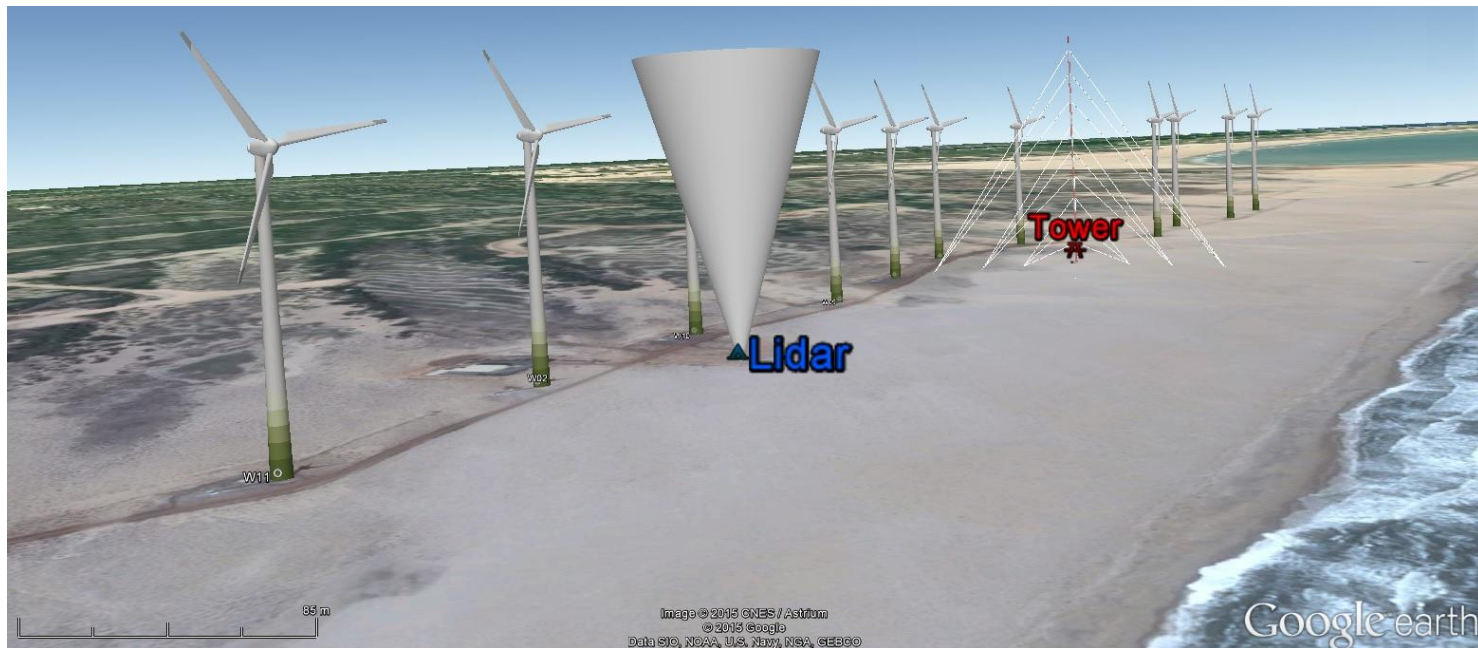




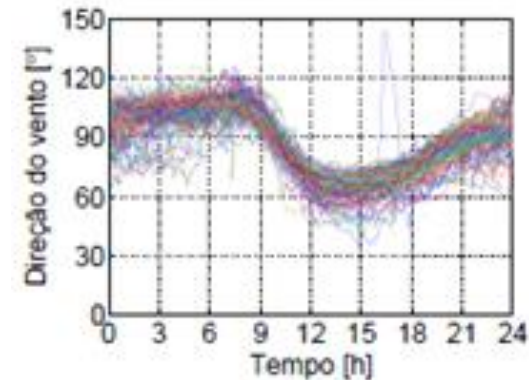
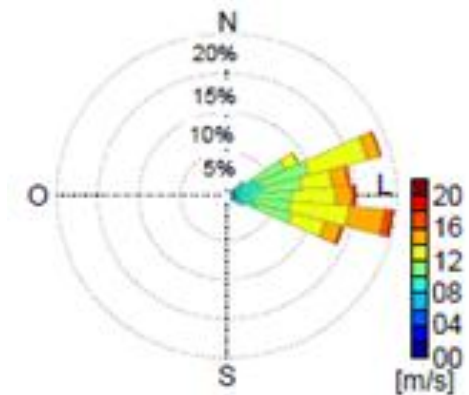
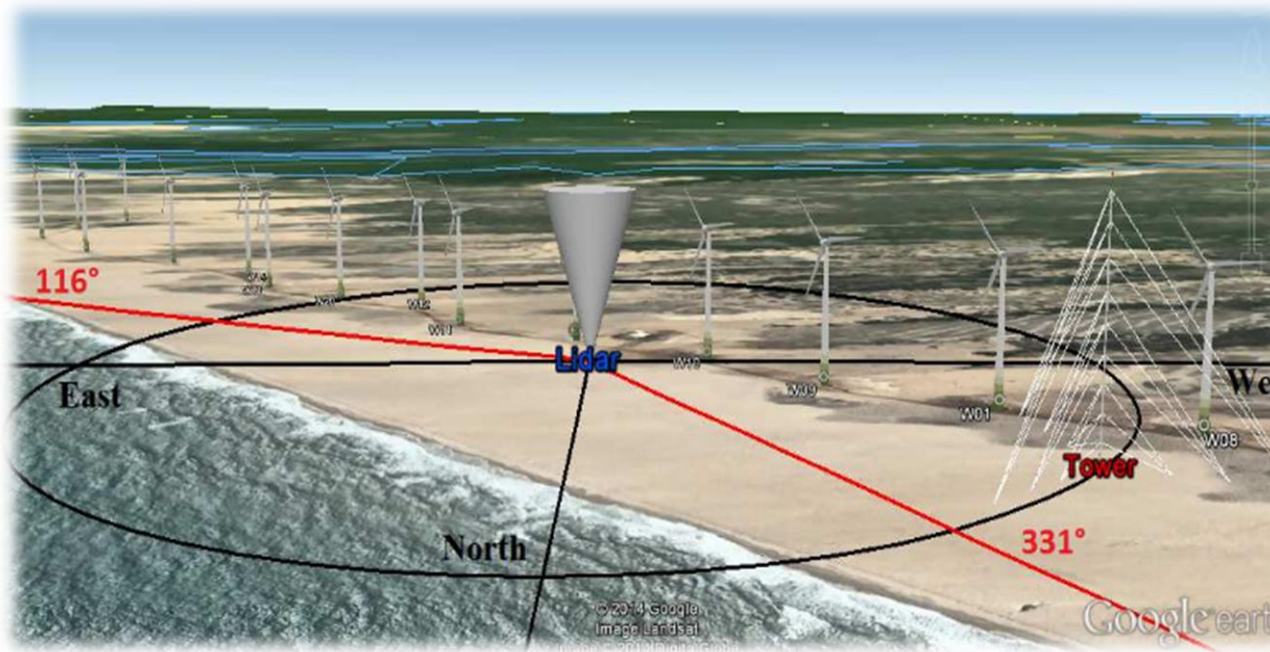
➤ Experiment set at the **Brazilian northeast coast;**



- **Inside Pedra do Sal Wind Farm: 18MW of installed capacity;**
- **Windcube® 8 lidar and a 100m meteorological mast;**



- Lidar and tower: **150m upwind** the turbines and **300m** from the **shoreline**;
- The wind turbines array is aligned with the coast and with the prevailing wind;
- Measurement equipments are **565m apart each other**;



Sakagami, Y et al. Wind shear assessment using wind LIDAR profiler and sonic 3D for wind energy applications – Preliminary Results. In: **XIII World renewable Energy Congress**. London, 2014.



- **Manufacturer: Leosphere (France)**
- **Model: Windcube® 8**
- **Consumption: 400W (LiDAR), 800W (A/C)**
- **Weight: ~100kg + 100kg (A/C)**
- **Dimensions: 950x650x550mm**
- **Connection: GSM and Ethernet**
- **Final Cost: ~EUR 170,000.00**





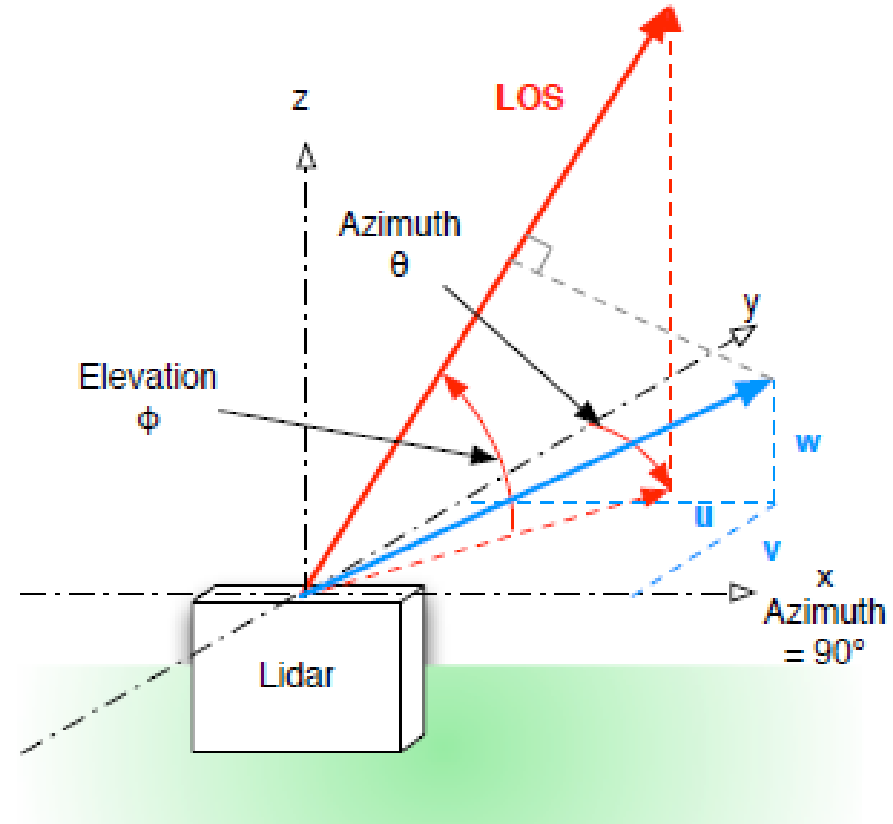
- Vertical Range: **40m to 500m**
- Vertical Resolution: **20m**
- Time Resolution: **~6s** (360° scan)
- Wind data: **10min** average
- Wind speed range: **0 to 60 m/s**
- Accuracy: **< 0.3 m/s**
- Prism angle: **14.8°**
- Laser: **1.543μm**
- Measurement: **VAD**



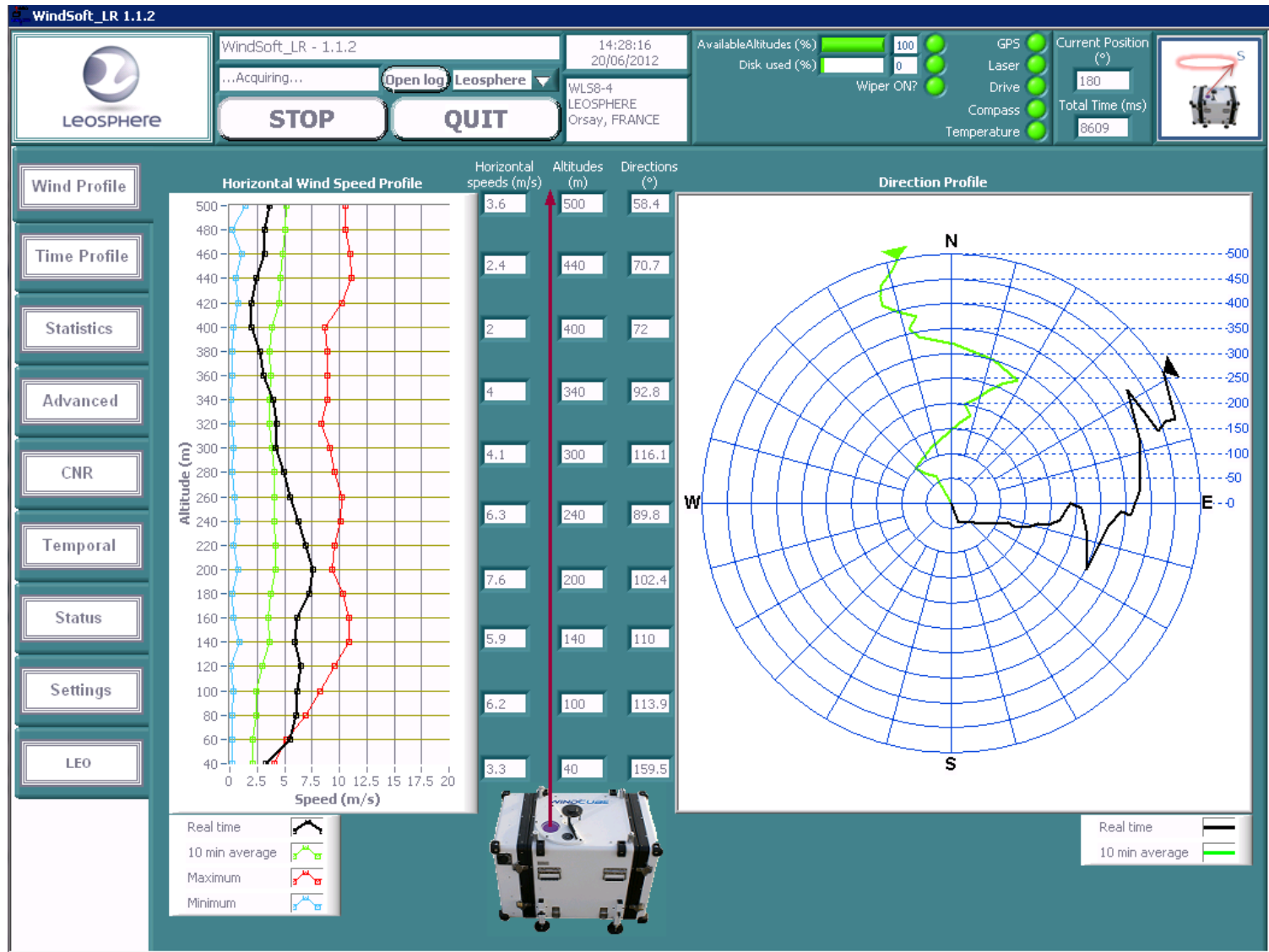
(velocity-azimuth display)

**Velocity-azimuth display (VAD):**

- **Three measurements needed for distinct Line of Sight (LOS);**
- **4th LOS is the averaged of last three;**
- **Fixed elevation ( $\Phi=75.2^\circ$ ): function of prism angle;**
- **No measurement of real vertical velocity (complex terrain);**
- **Azimuth ( $\theta$ ): North ( $0^\circ$ ), East ( $90^\circ$ ), South ( $180^\circ$ ), West ( $270^\circ$ ).**



$$\begin{bmatrix} V_{LoS,1} \\ V_{LoS,2} \\ V_{LoS,3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sin \theta_1 \cos \phi_1 & \cos \theta_1 \cos \phi_1 & \sin \phi_1 \\ \sin \theta_2 \cos \phi_2 & \cos \theta_2 \cos \phi_2 & \sin \phi_2 \\ \sin \theta_3 \cos \phi_3 & \cos \theta_3 \cos \phi_3 & \sin \phi_3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix}$$



WindSoft\_LR 1.1.2

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...Acquiring...    Open log    Leosphere    20/06/2012    Disk used (%) 0    Laser    180

WLS8-4    Wiper ON?    Drive    Total Time (ms)

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**STOP**    **QUIT**

Wind Profile

Time Profile

Statistics

Advanced

CNR

Temporal

Status

Settings

**CNR=f(Altitude)**

Altitudes (m)	40	100	140	200	240	300	340	400	440	500
Estimated CNR	-20.1	-17.3	-14.8	-11.1	-9.8	-11.5	-13.7	-16.7	-18.3	-20.4



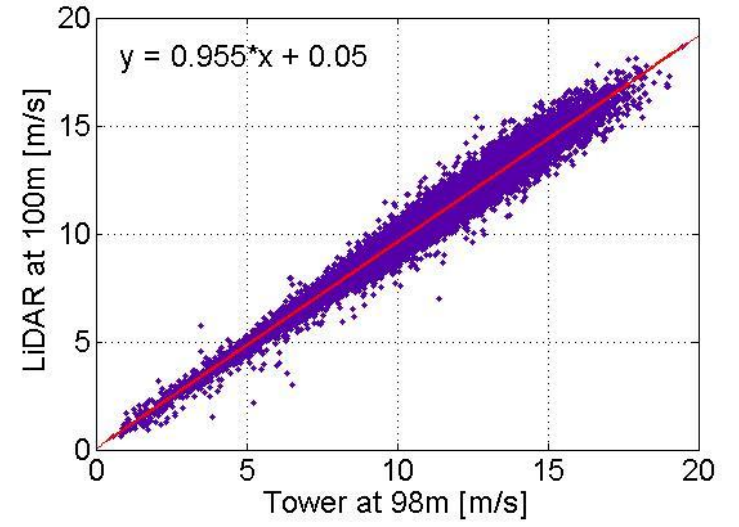
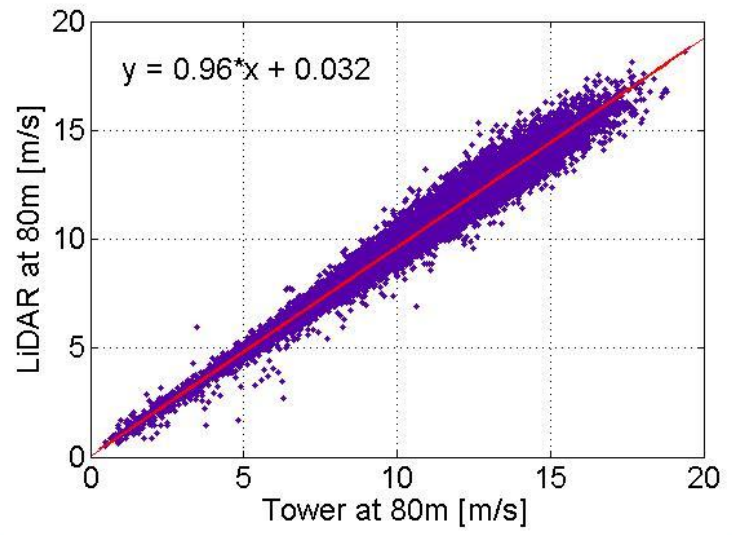
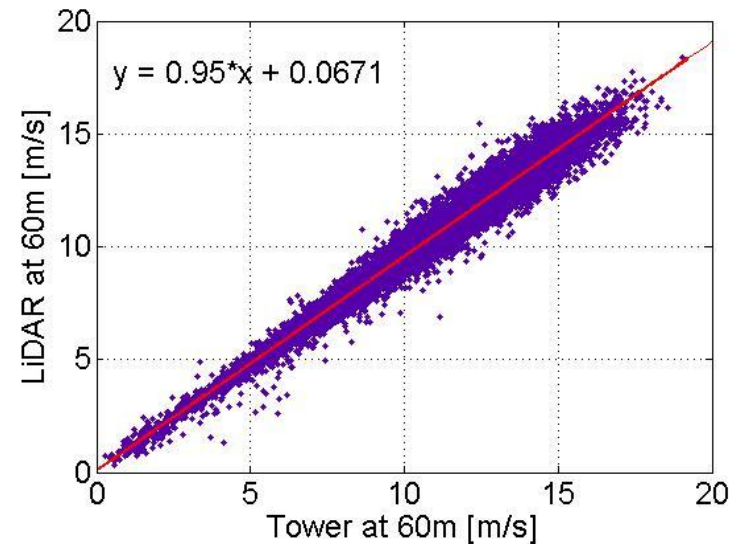
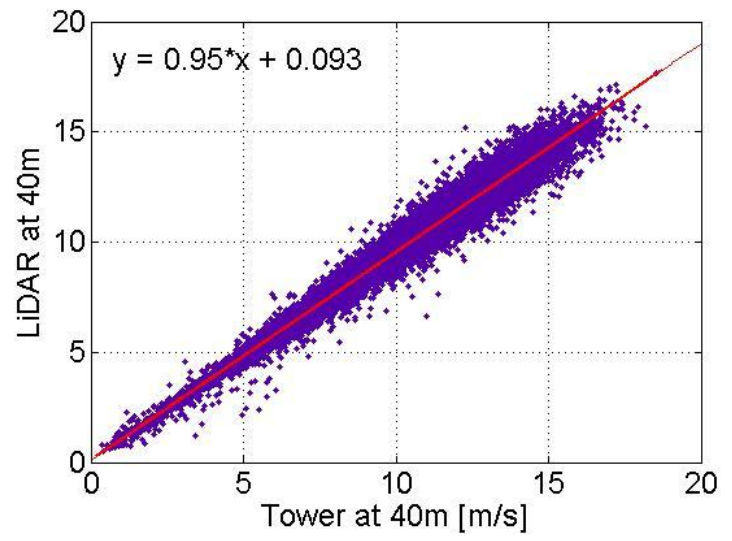
- Dataset covers a **continuous 1-year period** from August 2013 to September 2014;
- **Five** wind speed lidar levels are compared with met mast: 40m, 60m, 80m, 100m and 100m from a 3D sonic anemometer;
- **10min average** data is used only with **100% data availability** from the LiDAR;
- The behavior of the **wind speed bias** is analyzed (skewness and kurtosis);
- **Recovery rate** for Lidar data reached **66% up to 400m** for the 1-year period;
- **Met mast data** presented na average **recovery rate of 99,97%**.

August

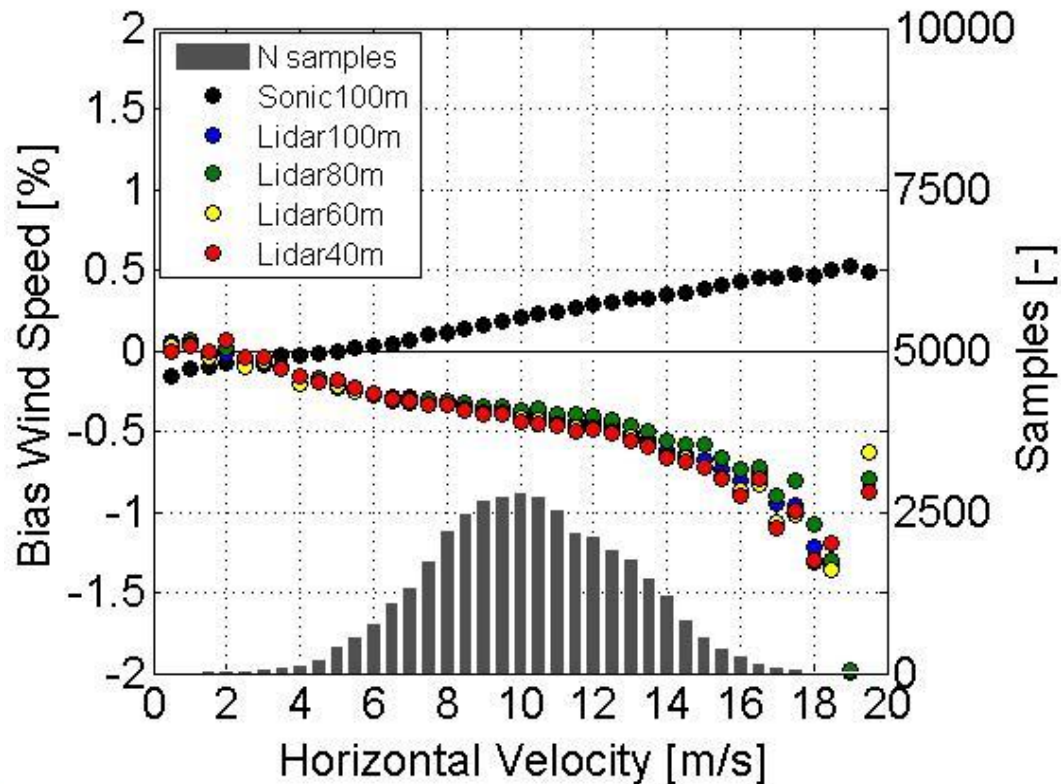
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- Lidar presented a **systematic underestimation** (bias) of tower wind speed;
- **Increasing bias for high wind speed values**, see also Risø (2010) and CRES (2011);
- **Non-linear behavior** of bias with wind speed values.





- The bias is **higher than the manufacturer threshold** (< 0.3 m/s) for all evaluated lidar heights. Confirmed by a **high kurtosis** and **negative skewness** (see table);
- **Good correlation between lidar and tower for all heights;**
- **3D sonic anemometer used as reference with cup anemometry at met mast;**

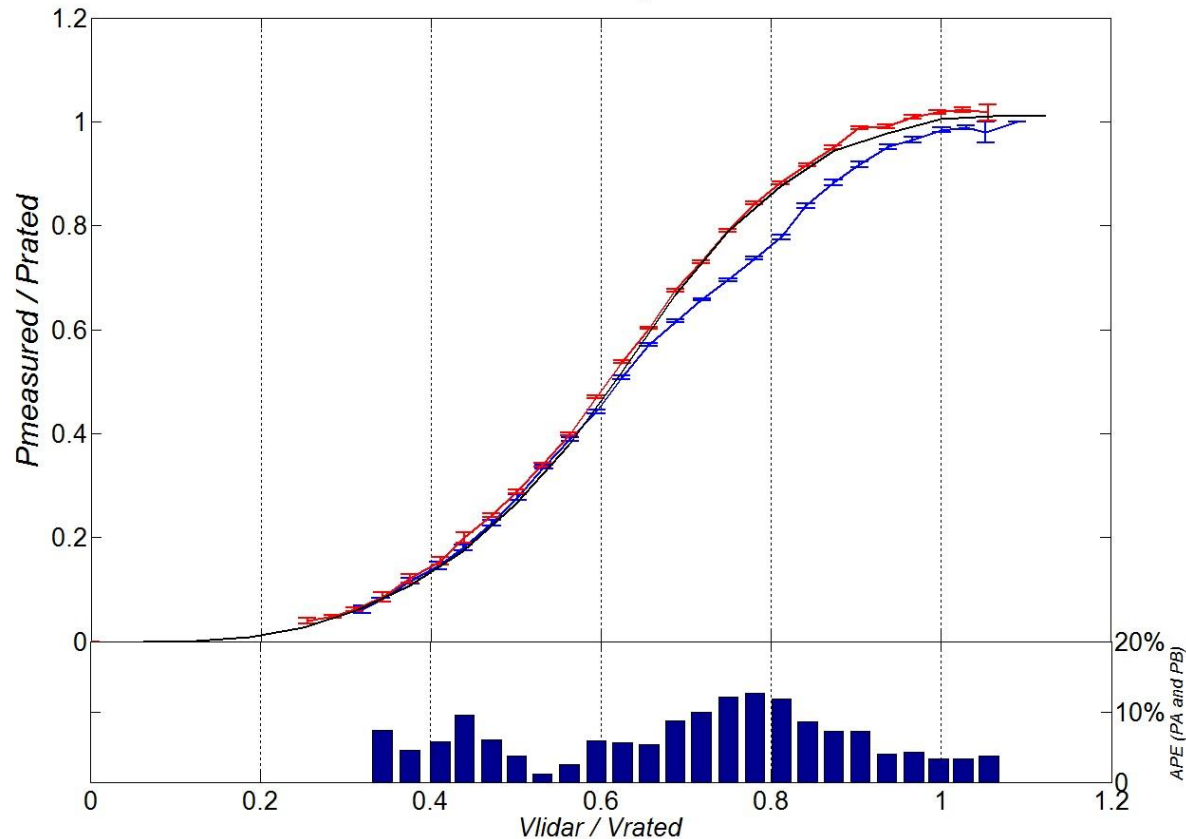
Height	40m	60m	80m	100m	Sonic
Bias	-0.44	-0.43	-0.38	-0.41	0.21
Skewness	-0.49	-0.44	-0.18	-0.43	0.00
Kurtosis	5.77	5.50	5.45	6.04	2.93
RMSE	0.62	0.61	0.57	0.57	0.25
Slope	0.94	0.95	0.96	0.95	1.04
R <sup>2</sup>	0.97	0.97	0.97	0.98	1.00



- Wind lidar presented a **fair correlation** with reference met mast during a **continuous 1-year** measurement campaign;
- The significant bias identified can be related with **atmospheric conditions** (next presentation);
- **Reprocessing of raw spectra** can be helpful (\*.dsp files);
- Source of such deviations are **open for discussion**;



- Power output **3% difference** spotted in operational power curve with lidar wind speed;



Santos, P. A. A. et al. Monitoring power performance of operational wind farms using LiDAR wind profiler. In: **AWEA Windpower 2015**, Orlando, 2015 (*accepted*).



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