Verification of dual-scanning lidar for wind resource assessment: assessing turbulence, long-range and multiple height scanning



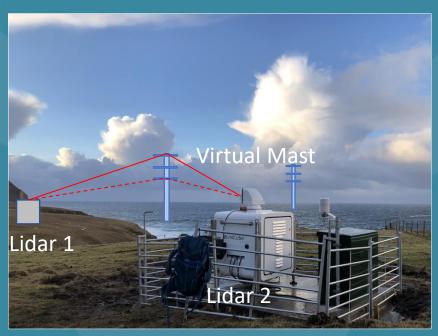
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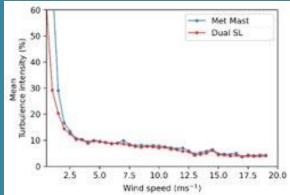


## Why dual scanning lidar?

 Viable met mast replacement for WRA and site condition assessment onshore and offshore



- Versatile measurement configurations
  - Acquisition at range (<10km)
  - Multiple heights
  - Horizontal gradients



• A key advantage: potential to resolve (near) cup equivalent TI [e.g. Peña & Mann, 2019; Shimada et al., 2022,...]

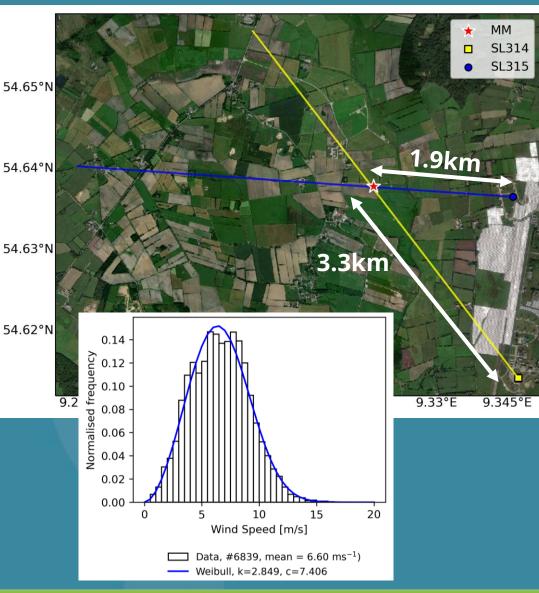
#### • Some barriers to industry up-take...

- System complexity
- Cup equivalence
- No recommended practices (yet)...

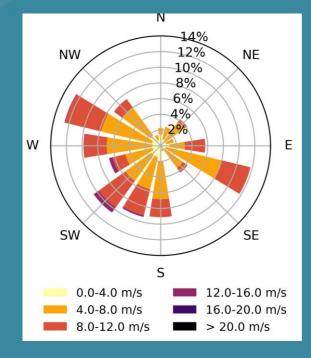




### Dual-SL verification test at Janneby, Germany



- 2x Vaisala WindCube 400s, units 314 and 315, pulsed lidars, range 6km
- Dual lidar configuration: fixed dwell, intersecting beam
- IEC-compliant Met mast, 100m (2 cups at 103m)
- Duration: ~68 days (08-2022 to 10-2022)



SL	314	315
Azimuth	322.85°	274.29°
Elevation	1.89°	2.72°
Range min	1000m	1000m
Range max	6000m	6000m
Range res.	100m	100m
MM dist.	3300m	1900m
Accumulation time	1s	1s

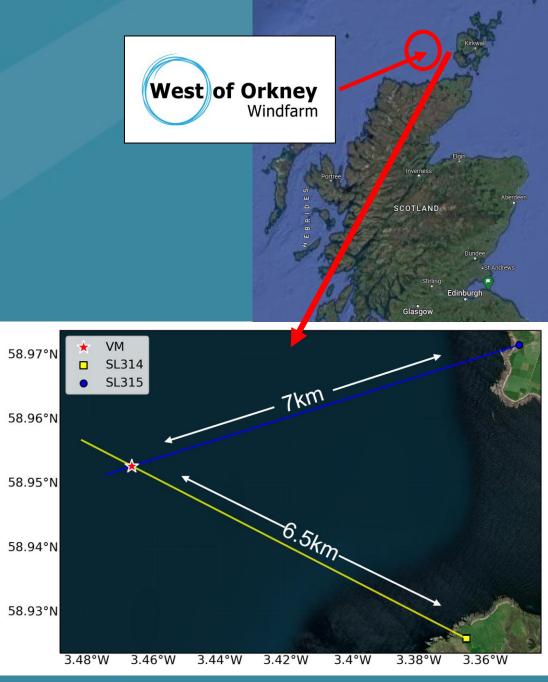
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### From Janneby to West of Orkney

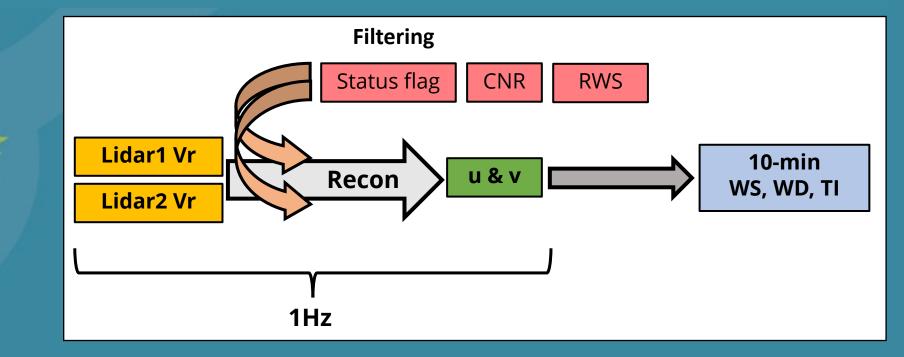
- **Janneby** test conducted prior to lidar deployment in Orkney for site condition assessment for 2GW offshore wind farm development
- Use Janneby to examine 3-aspects of dual-mode capability:
  - 1) Measurement performance (of TI) and sensitivity
  - 2) Acquisition at long range
  - 3) Temporal equivalence for multi-height scans
- Use lessons-learned to feed into the development of recommended practices





## Wind reconstruction for dual mode

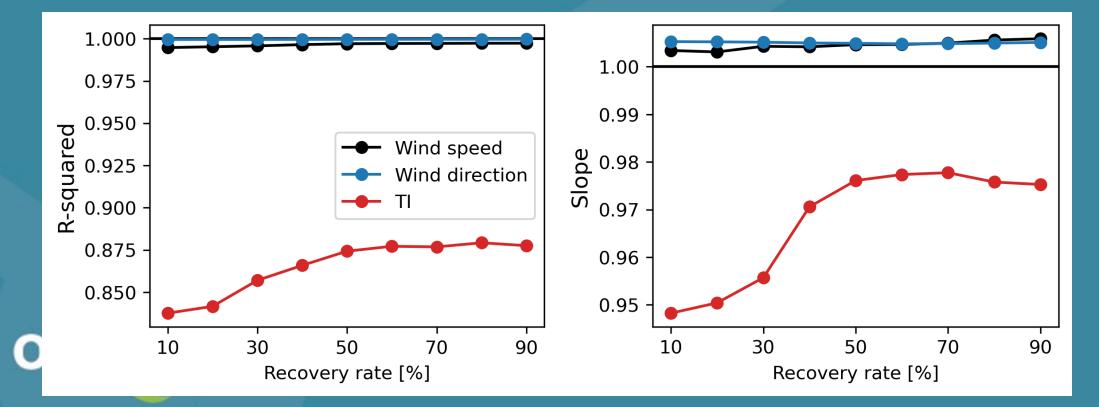
- 1. Line of site 1Hz radial velocities (Vr) filtered for
  - CNR (-29dB to -7dB)
  - Radial velocities within 10-min mean ± 3 s.dev
- 2. u and v wind components reconstructed to derive wind speed and direction
- 3. Data averaged to 10-min



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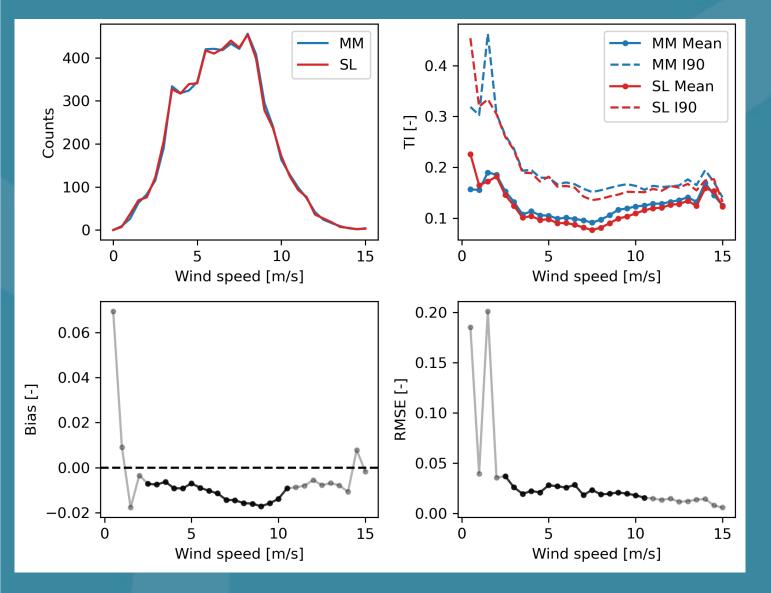
# 1. Baseline performance and sensitivity to availability



- Verification filtered by 1s reconstruction data availability exceedance (recovery rate)
- As low as 10% data recovery rate suitable for wind speed and direction
- TI more sensitive to recovery rate



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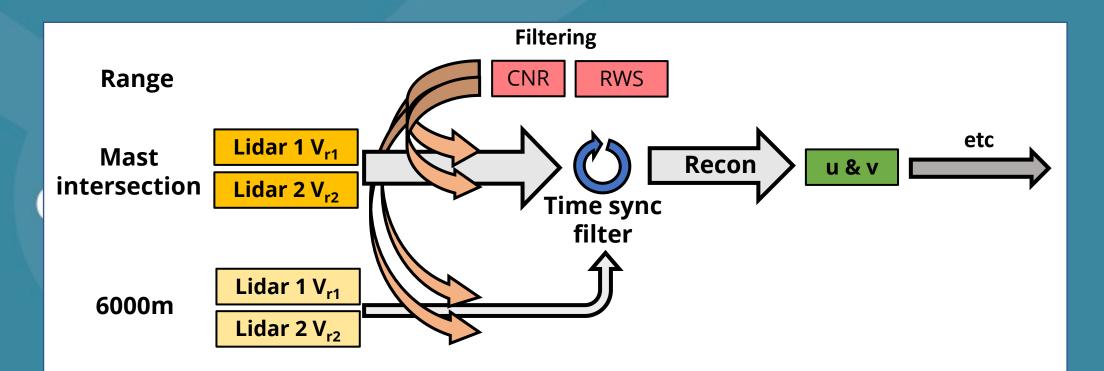
• 80% recovery rate

- Similar results for mean TI and representative TI (I90)
- Underestimation a constraint of probe length (100m)



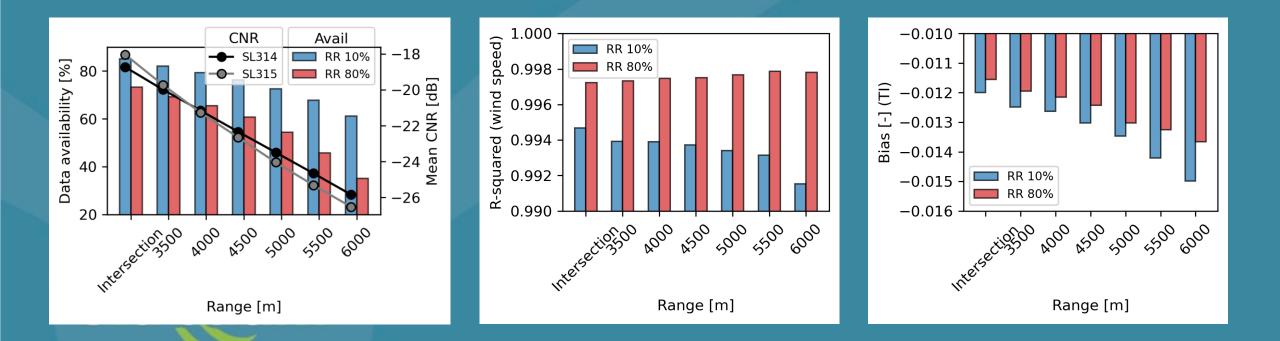
## 2. What is the impact of range?

- For measurement campaigns, larger measurement ranges than the range tested may be desirable particularly offshore
- To examine range sensitivity, radial velocities at mast intersection are concurrently filtered based on filtering applied at longer ranges





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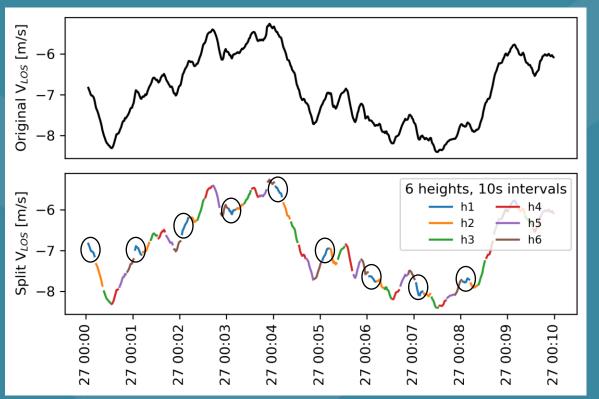


- Main impact on 10-min wind data availability (84% at MM to 64% at 6km)
- Small impact on measurement accuracy



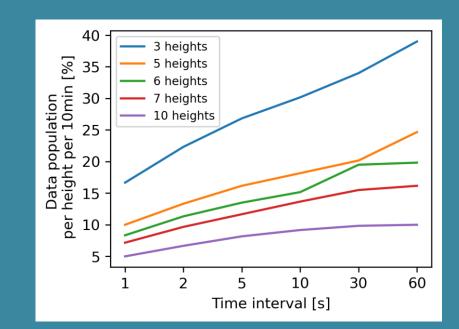
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# 3. What is the potential impact of multi-height scanning on temporal equivalence?



Watanabe, K., Takakuwa, S., Hemmi, C., Ishihara, T., A study of offshore wind assessment using dual-Doppler scanning lidars, Journal of Wind Energy, JWEA, Vol. 45, No.2, pp.40-48, 2021 (in Japanese).

- Apply splitting method to 1Hz data following Watanabe et al., (2021)
- Data subset by N 'heights', sequentially sampled using a specified time interval/dwell
- 1s switch time between heights incorporated to simulate data loss due to scan head movement
- Mast data not touched

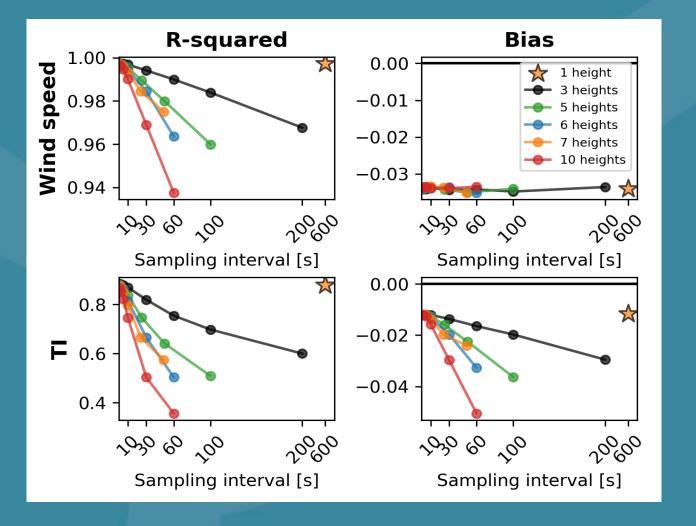


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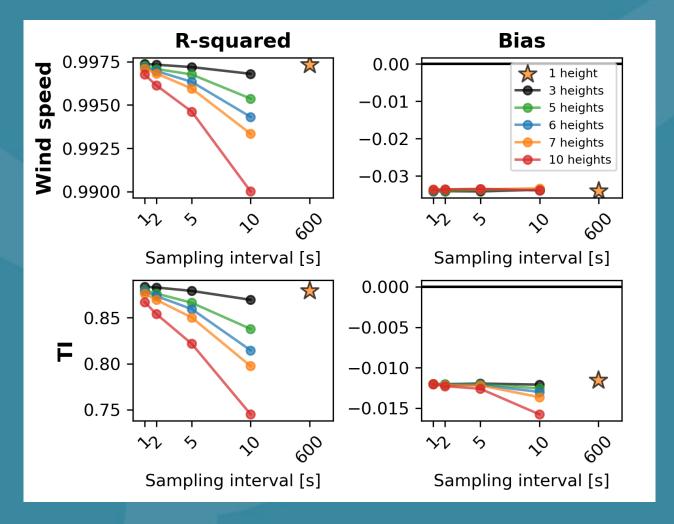
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- 10-min sampled more evenly by short intervals compared to long intervals
- Measurements with shorter intervals closer to cup equivalence
- Greatest impact on TI



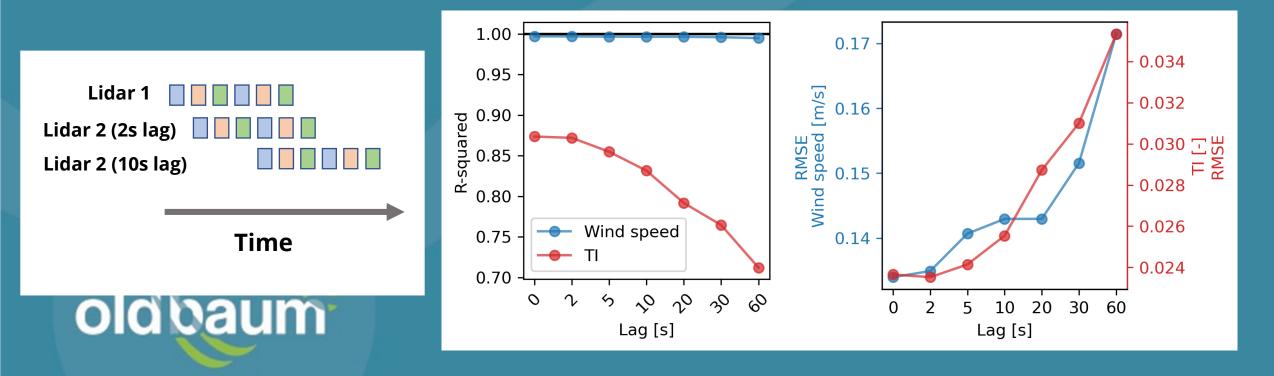
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# 3. Tolerance of reconstruction to dual lidar synchronisation during multi-height scanning



- Mimic sampling sequence of a 6 height scan with 2s intervals per height
- Temporal lag applied to 1Hz measurements from second lidar
- Dual lidar synchronisation needs to be kept within ~2s for TI



# Summary

Dual scanning lidar measurements at Janneby have been used to examine:

### 1. Overall wind measurement performance

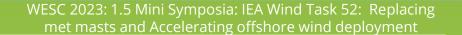
- Wind speed and direction are cup equivalent and high accuracy can be achieved even with relatively low 10-min data availabilities (>10%)
- TI is underestimated, highlighting setup limitation of 100m probe length

#### 2. Impact of long-range:

• Reduced data availability, small effect on KPIs

3. Measurement equivalence for a multi-height scan setup:

- short sampling intervals (<5s) important to optimise equivalence
- dual synchronisation needs to be kept within 2s for TI





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