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Wind Power Forecasting

Physical Modelling

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Source: WindSim basic course

Background and Motivation

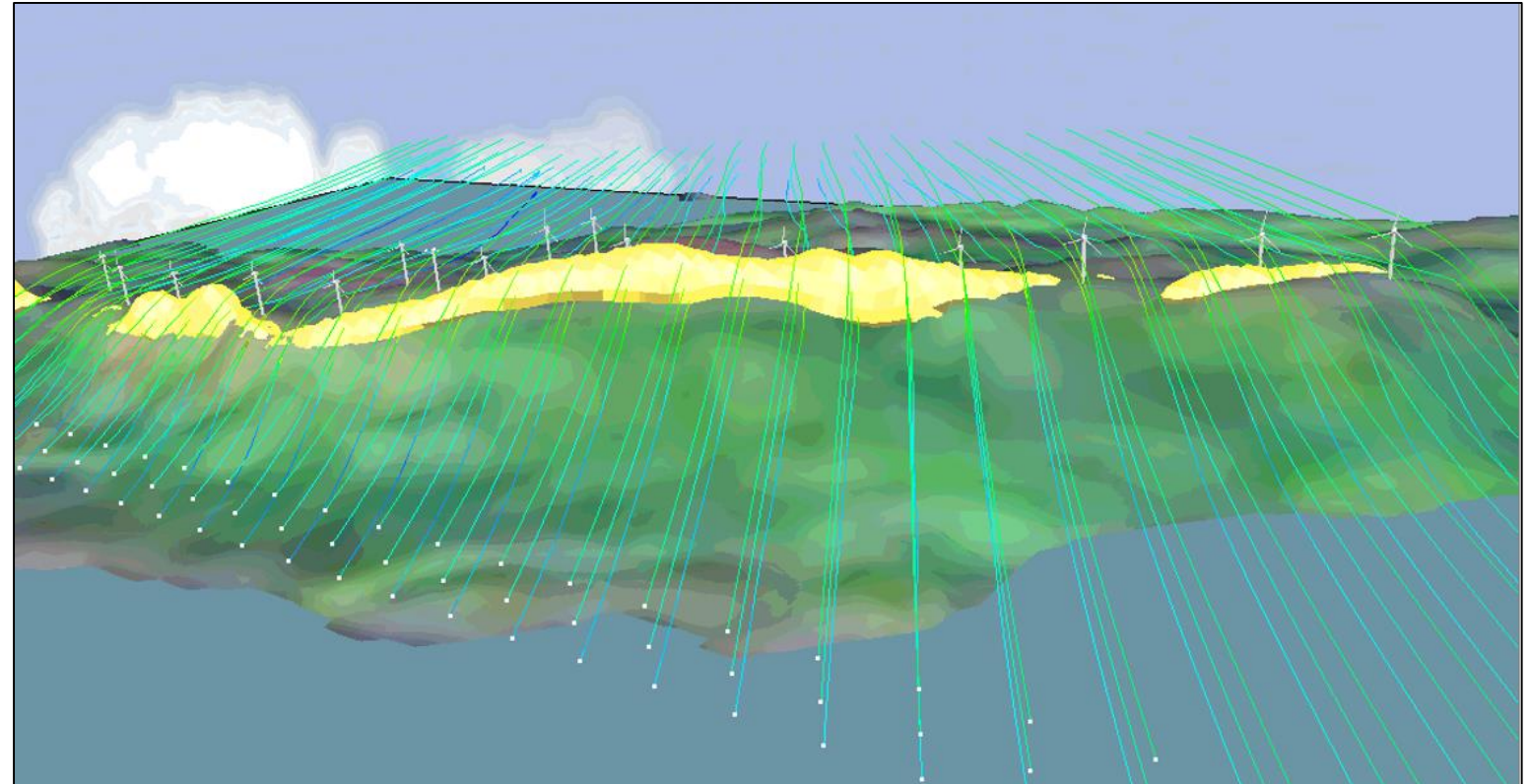
- Implementation of renewable energy (RES)
- Wind power is becoming one of the prominent RES investment areas in Norway
- Challenges with the stochastic nature of the wind



Source: [Clean, Green & Renewable Energy](#)

Goal and Scope

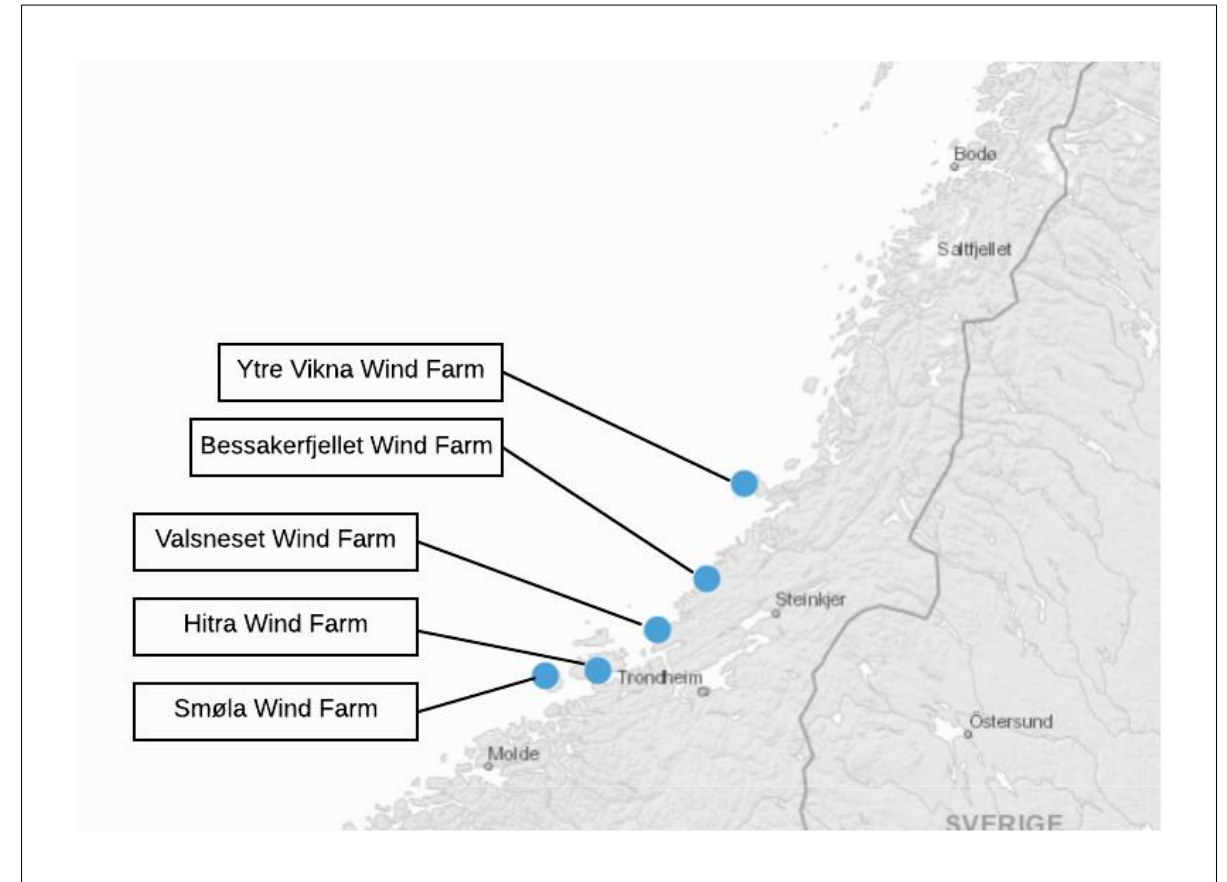
- Analyse two different forecasting strategies in combination with forecasted wind speeds.
- Benchmark the methods against actual power production.



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The Selected Wind Farms

- Ytre Vikna (2012) nominal power: 38.80 MW
- Bessakerfjellet (2008) nominal power: 56.446MW
- Valsneset (2006) nominal power: 11.71 MW
- Hitra (2004) nominal power: 54.41 MW
- Smøla (2002) nominal power: 148.45 MW



Data Foundation



Norwegian Meteorological Institute and Yr.no

- Timeseries with forecasted wind speeds for 2017
- Wind speed forecast with one hour time steps

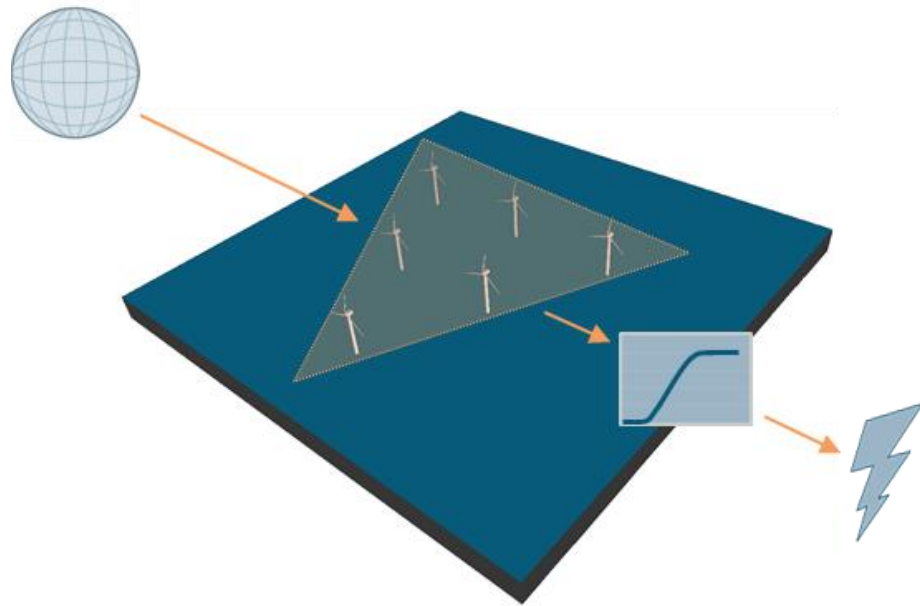


Norwegian water and energy directorate (NVE)

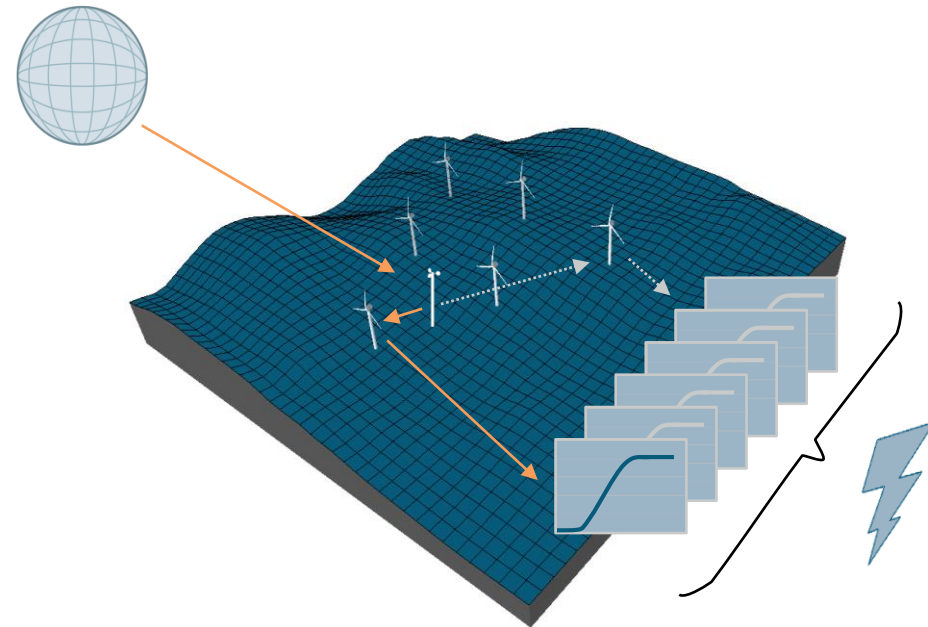
- Hourly records of power delivered to the grid
- Provided by the Norwegian grid operator Statnett

Forecasting Methods

Strategy I – Wind to Power

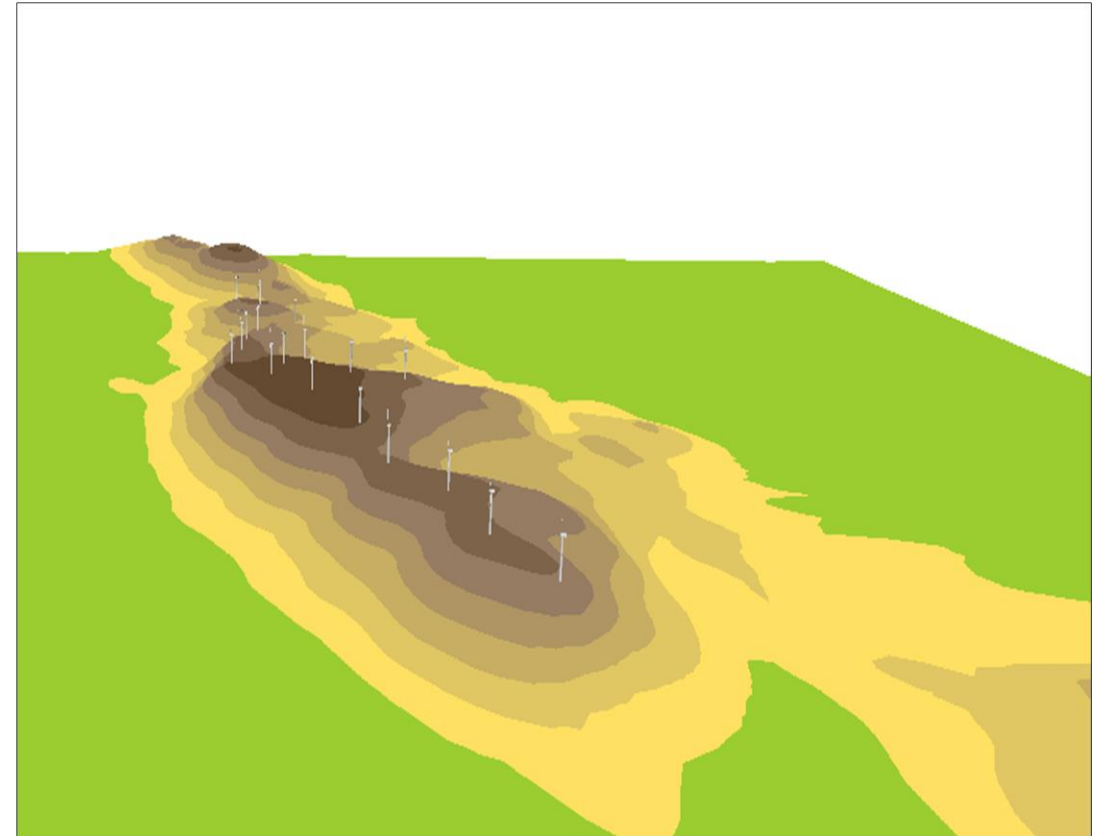


Strategy II – Wind + CFD to Power



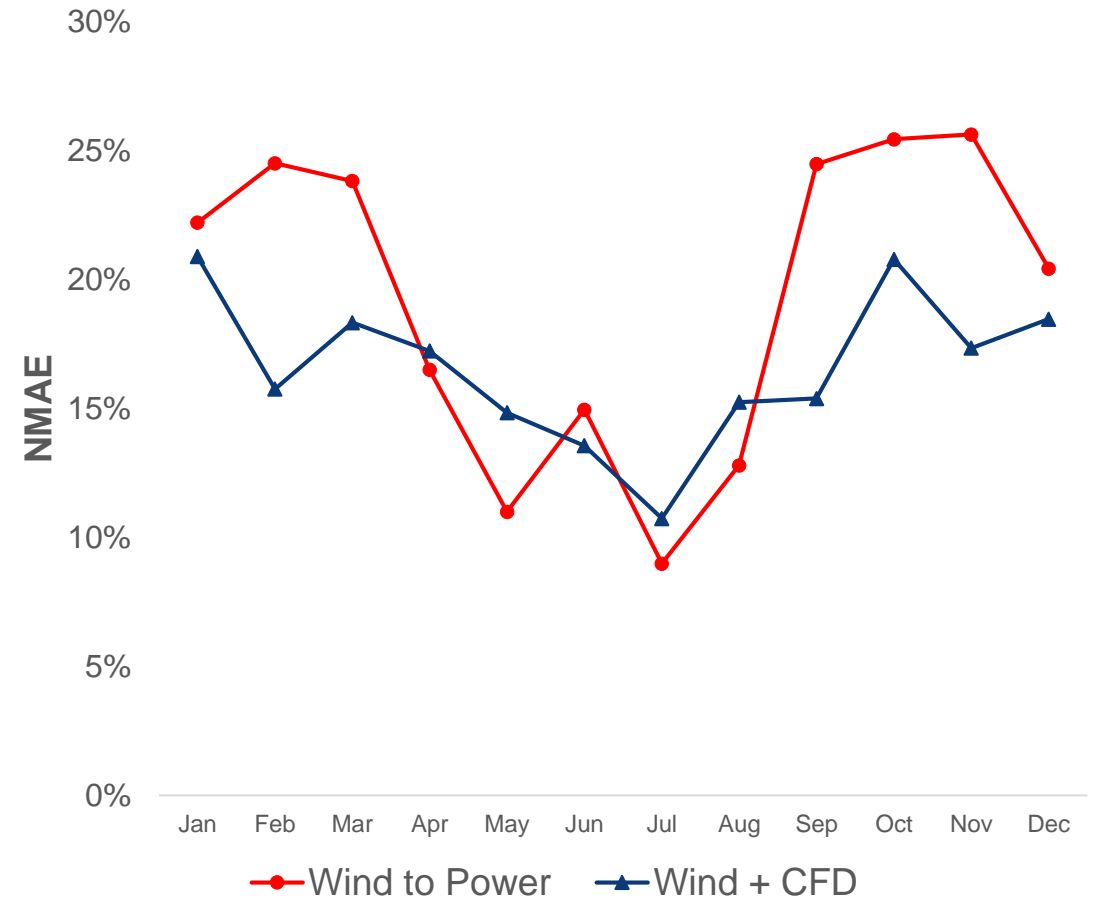
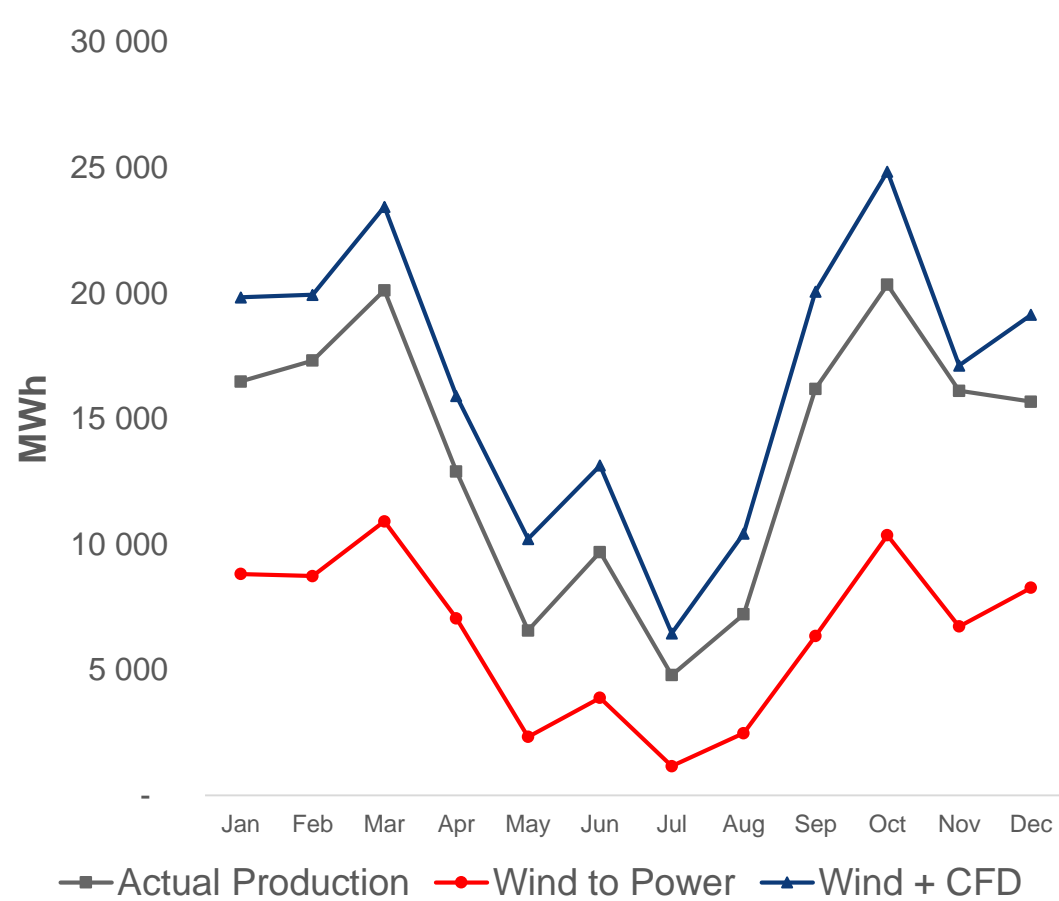
WindSim Models

- ASTER GDEM v2 Worldwide Elevation (100m)
- CORINE Land Cover Europe 2006 (100m)
- 500 000 cell limit for the numerical model
- 500 iterations
- Standard turbulence modelling and air-pressure was set to standard 1.225kg/m^3
- Object placements imported from NVE geographical atlas

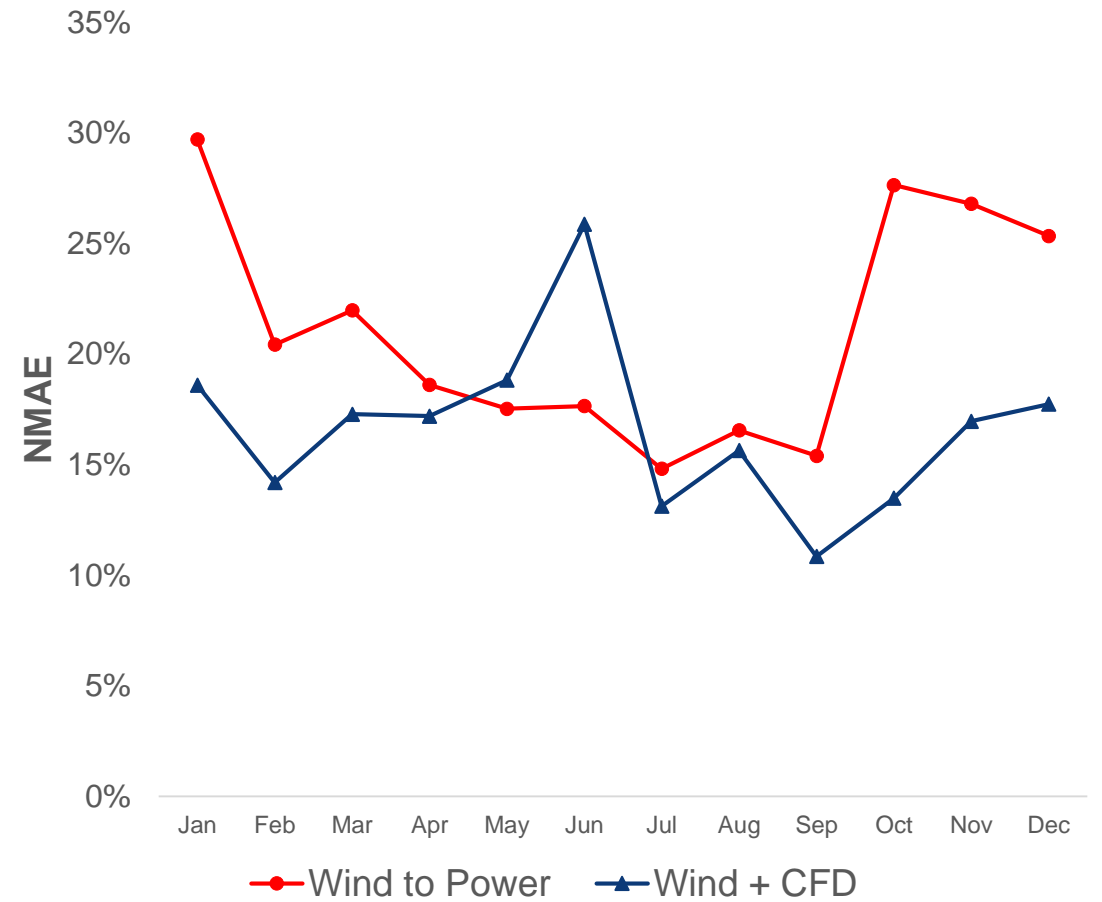
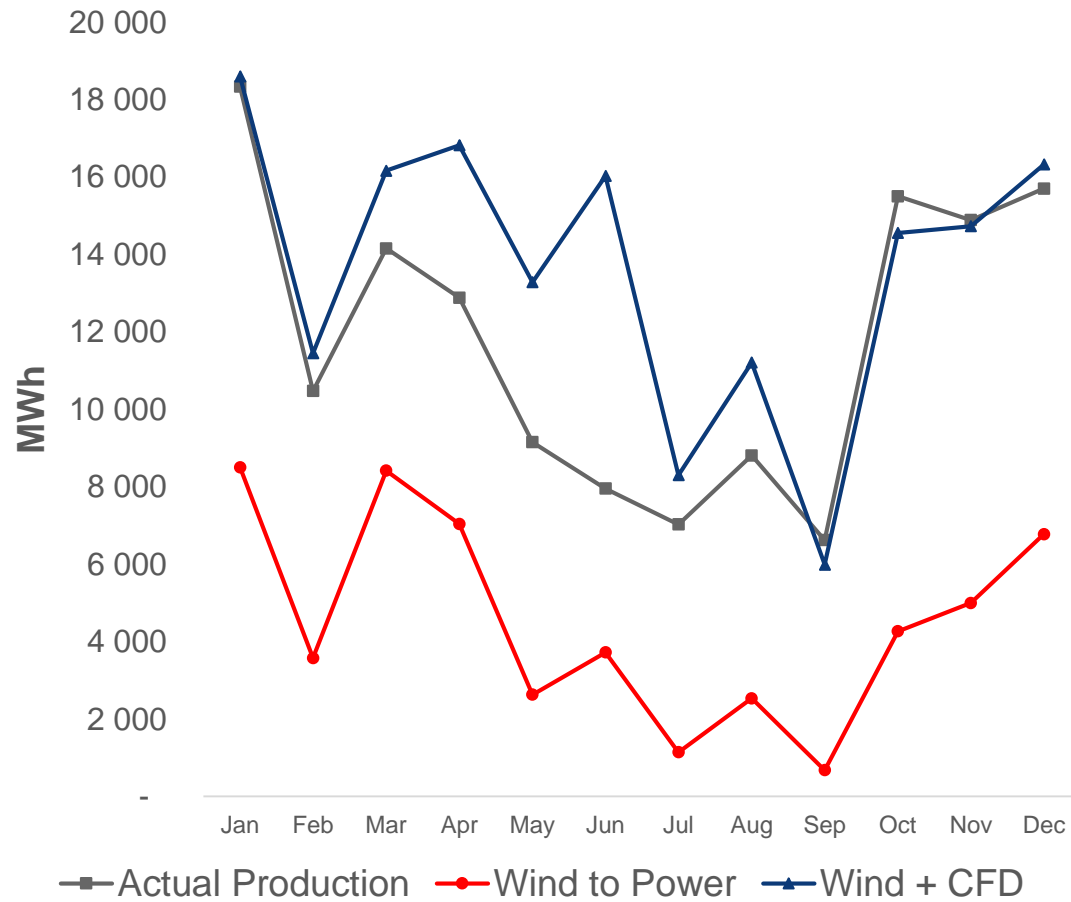


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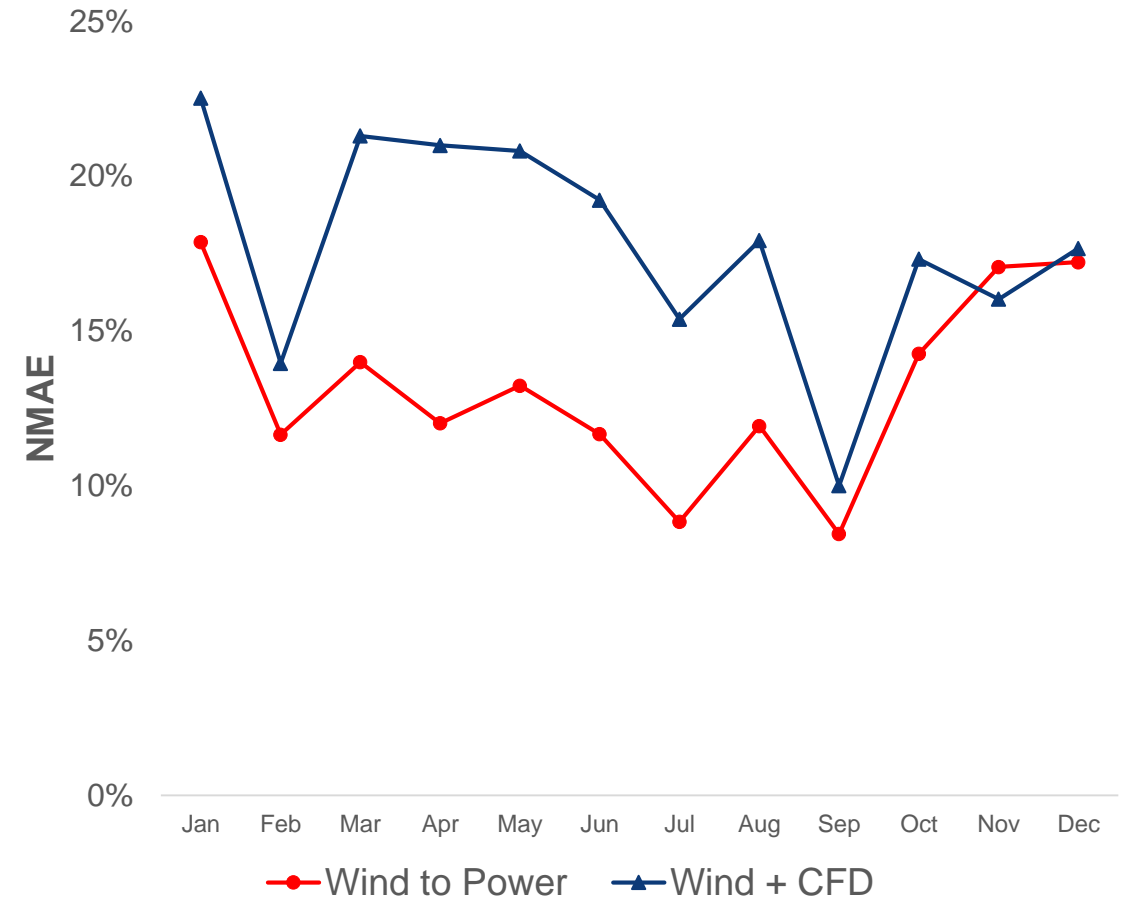
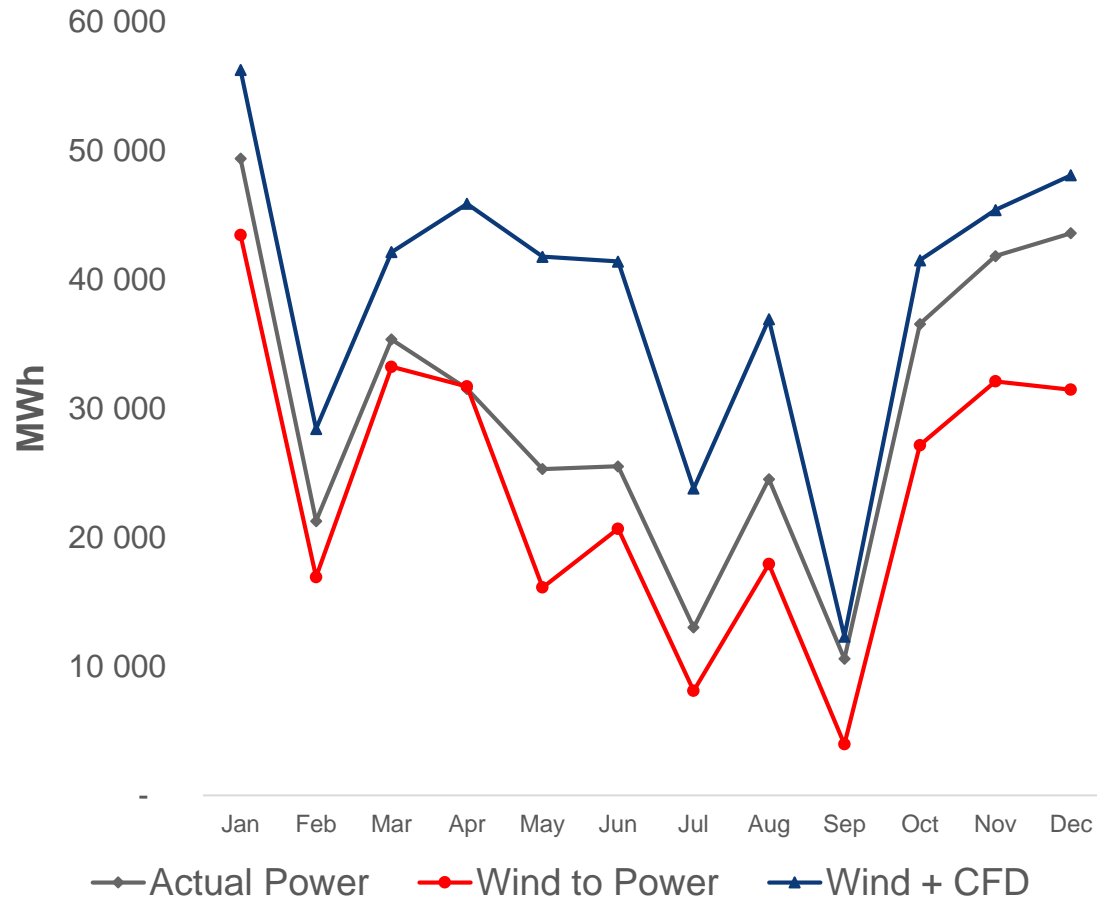
Bessaker Wind Farm



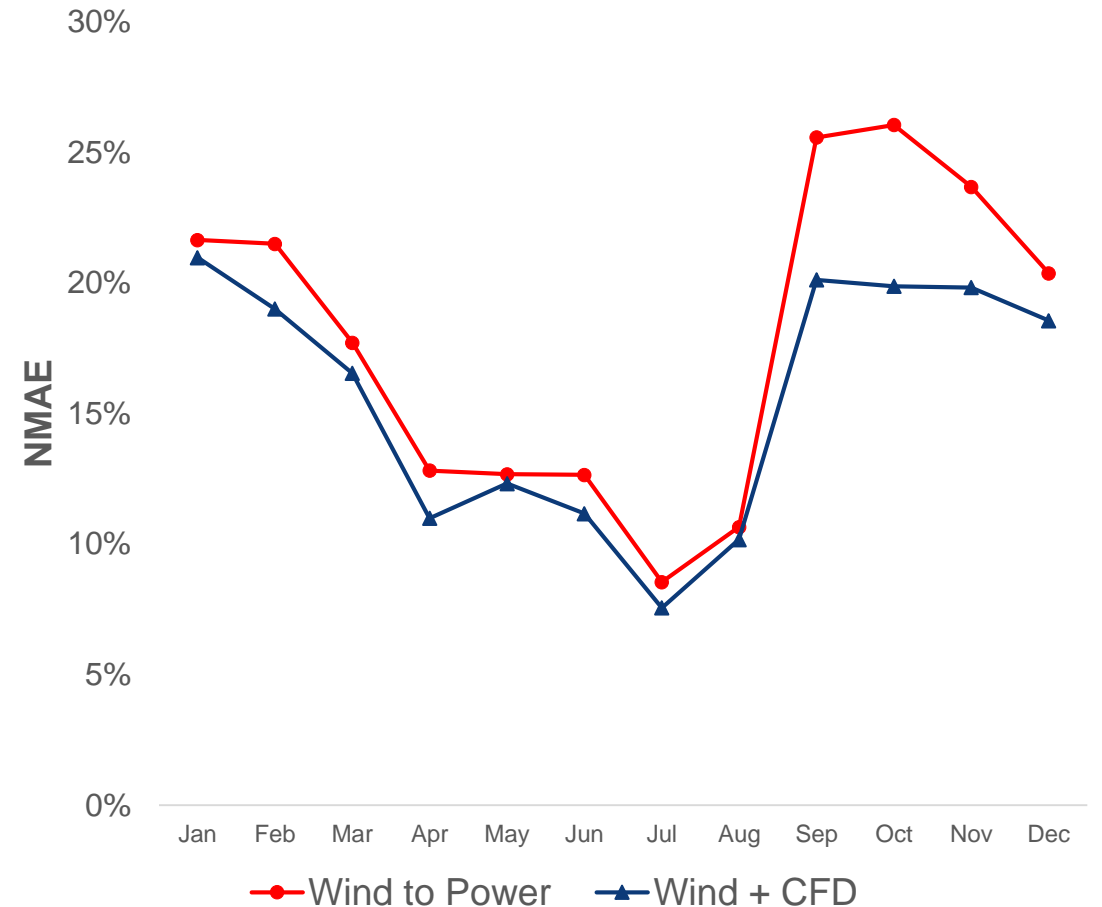
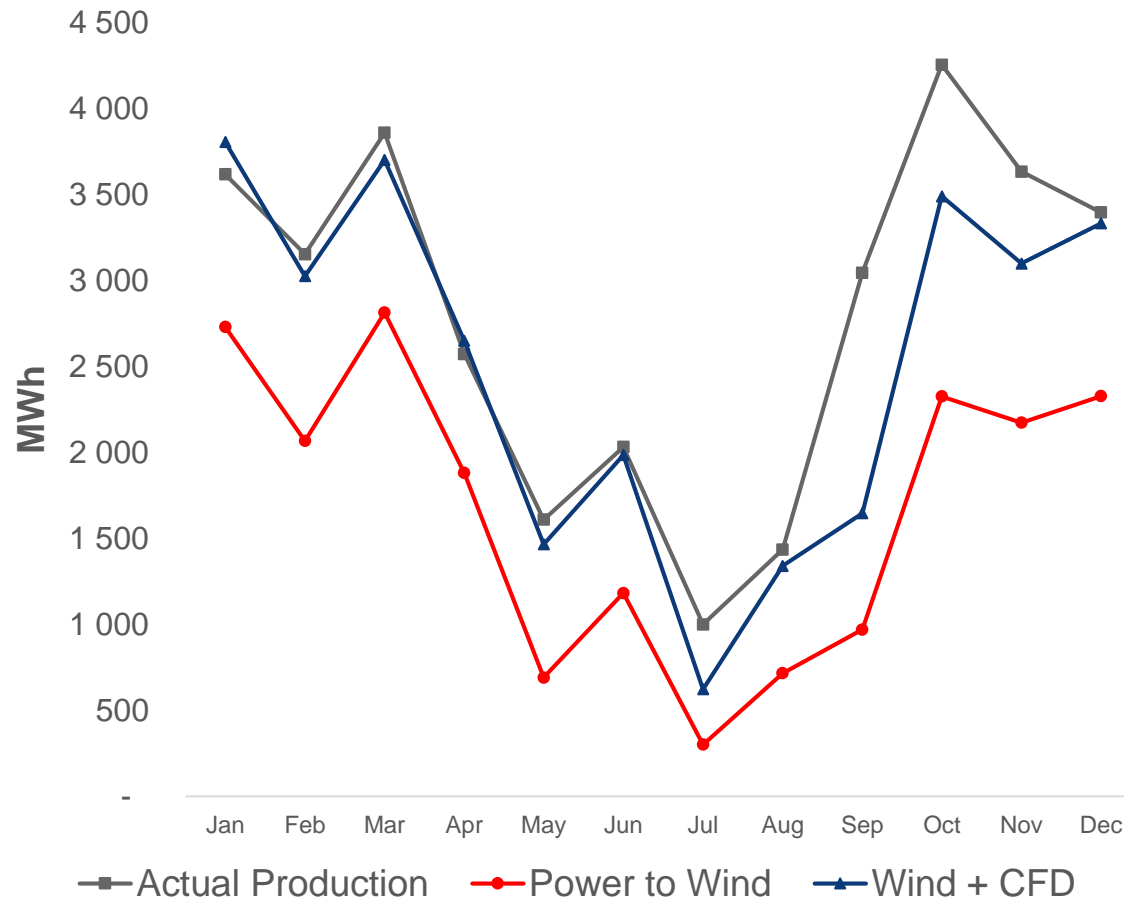
Hitra Wind Farm



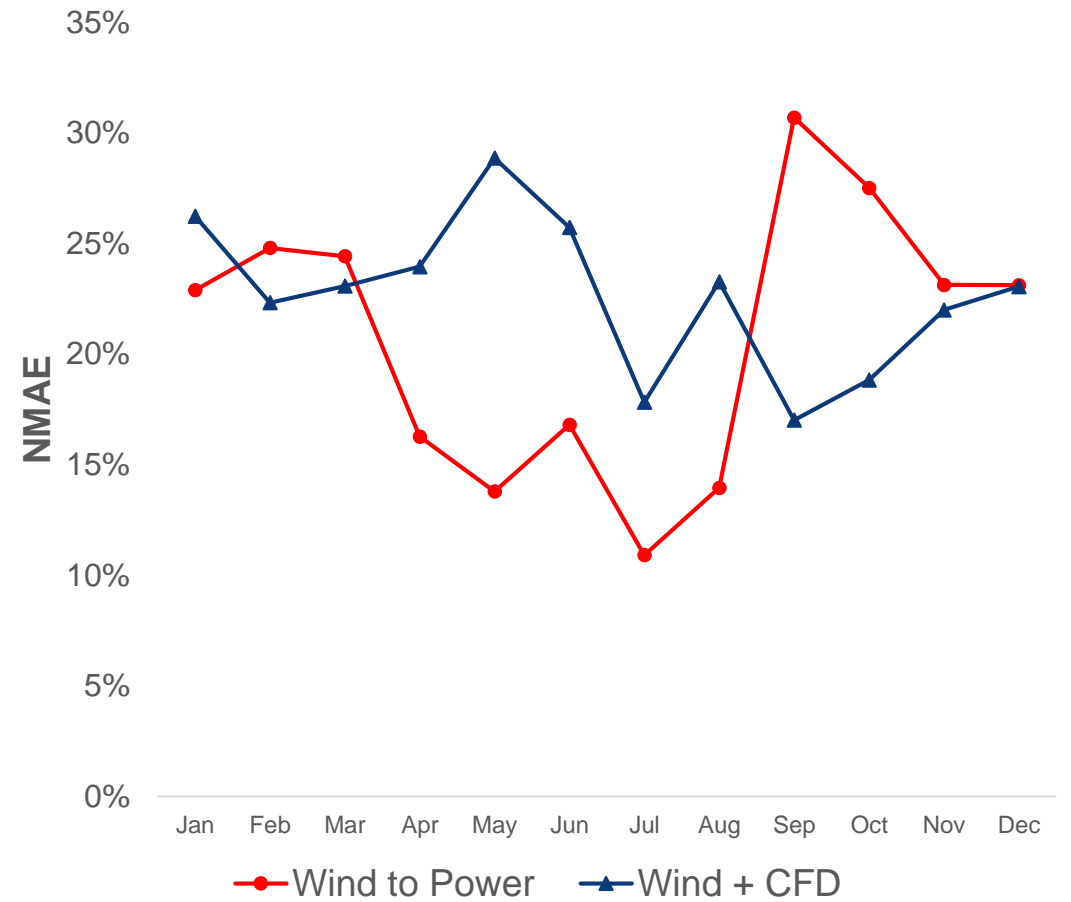
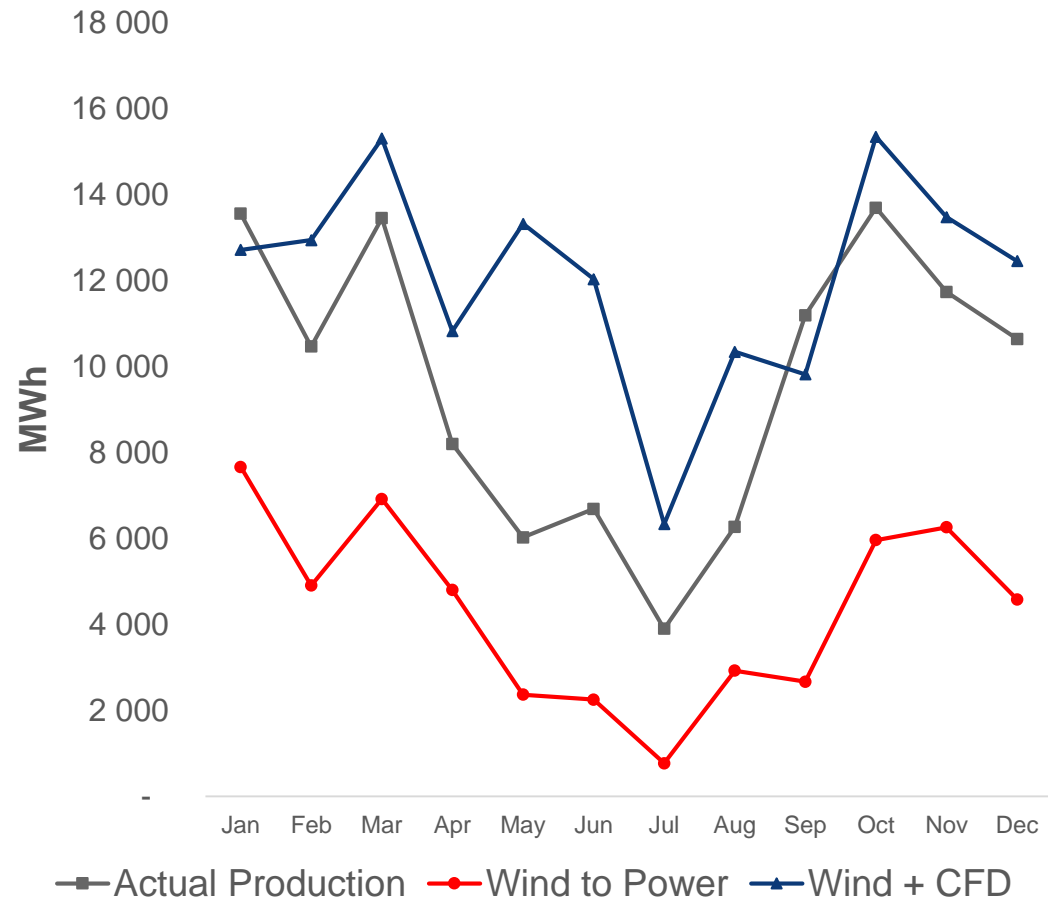
Smøla Wind Farm



Valsneset Wind Farm



Ytre Vikna Wind Farm



Result Summary

Wind Farm	Nominal Power (MW)	Wind to Power (NMAE*)	Wind + CFD to Power (NMAE*)
Bessakerfjellet	56.446	19.19%	16.56%
Hitra	54.410	21.06%	16.64%
Smøla	148.450	13.21%	17.80%
Valsneset	11.710	17.80%	15.58%
Ytre Vikna	38.800	20.69%	22.71%

*NMAE – Normalized Mean Absolut Error

Uncertainties and Limitations

- WindSim user experience and time frame
- Computational capacities
- Data foundation
 - Time resolution
 - Wind speed measurements
- Post-processing analysis and adjustment of the models



Valsneset wind farm. Source: [Valsneset wind turbine](#)

Conclusion

- The forecasting method with CFD provided the highest accuracy in three out of the five cases analysed.
- With further improvement and post-processing of the forecasting models, the accuracy is expected to improve.
- The findings indicates that the use of CFD and WindSim is beneficial in wind power forecasting.



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