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Pipeline for Annual Averaged Wind Power Output Generation Prediction of Wind Turbines Based on Large Wind Speed Data Sets and Power Curve Data

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A B S T R A C T

In this article, an abstract framework for annual averaged wind power output generation prediction of wind turbines is presented which is heavily based on large wind speed data sets and power curve data of wind turbines due to the rising interest in wind energy as one main future renewable energy source. As combinations of arbitrary power curve modeling techniques and arbitrary wind speed distributions based on wind speed data are seldom combined, the abstract combination of these two aspects in wind power output generation prediction in one pipeline is thoroughly described here. Conclusively, one detailed example wind speed data set from a weather station situation in Bremen, Germany illustrates applicability of the presented framework.

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Introduction

Interest in wind energy as one main future renewable energy source has risen constantly over the past years [3]. Due to this rising importance of wind energy as one major ingredient to reduce carbon dioxide emissions, prediction methods for wind power output are valuable tools for determination of wind turbine locations. For this purpose, one must model power curves from given power curve data from manufacturers as summarized in [2]. Additionally, one needs to further identify possible wind speed distributions from given large wind speed data sets [1,4]. Based on these articles, Wacker, Seebaß and Schlüter proposed an abstract framework for annual averaged wind power output generation prediction of wind turbines which heavily relies on large wind speed data sets and power curve data of wind turbines [3] because these methods are often considered separately in the literature, and can scarce be found combined. However, it seems important to present algorithmic aspects of the aforementioned article in greater details.

For these reasons, we present a complete pipeline for annual averaged wind power output generation prediction of wind turbines in this article which was first developed in [3]. This method relies heavily on large wind speed data sets, arbitrary power curve modeling techniques and arbitrary wind speed distributions. Finally, we provide one detailed example from a weather station situation in Bremen, Germany.

As already mentioned, prediction of produced energy by a wind turbine is an important topic because renewable energy sources are necessary to reduce carbon dioxide emissions. In this work, we provide details regarding our abstract pipeline's framework for this goal. The following steps are necessary ingredients.

- **Step 1:** Since wind speed data sets may come from different sources, different pre-processing steps need to be taken into account. This includes adjusting wind speeds at different heights by so-called power laws.
- **Step 2:** Different power curve models might be adapted to given power curve data.
- **Step 3:** We choose different wind speed probability distributions to fit our processed wind speed data.
- **Step 4:** As our main output, we approximate integrals by finite sums to calculate semi-empirical and estimated wind power output generation prediction values numerically.
- **Step 5:** We suggest different goodness-of-fit measures for evaluation purpose.

Method details

Let $\{v_j\}_{j=1}^N$ be a time series of measured wind speed at a certain weather station. Let (v_k, P_k) be measured power curve data of a manufacturer’s wind turbine prototype. These data sets build our foundation for our wind power output generation prediction algorithm. We portray the graphical flowchart of our algorithm in Figure 1. All steps coincide with our procedure presented in our abstract. We mainly follow our preprint but add further details regarding our methods. However, we especially discuss power curve modeling and uncertainty quantification in a more detailed manner.

Step 1: Processing of wind speed data sets

In our complete pipeline, we process wind speed data sets provided by the German Weather Service (DWD) [5] and National Centers for Environmental Information [6]. Since both data sets differ, we have to adjust our processing steps accordingly.

Let us first consider wind speed data sets from the German Weather Service. We take a closer look at data from the weather station located at Bremen, Germany (Station ID: 00691). Data can be extracted from the corresponding ZIP-archive and data are contained in the text-file named PRODUKT_FF_STUNDE_00691.TXT. The fourth column consists of measured wind speed with physical unit $\frac{m}{s}$.

```
STATIONS.ID;MESS.DATUM; QN.3;    F;    D;eor
      691;1926010100;    5;    8.5;-999;eor
      691;1926010101;    5;    7.0;-999;eor
      ...
```

Missing data are replaced by -999. This fact implies that we have to delete these entries from our code. As an outlook, we also need to delete zero wind speed values from this column for estimation of two-parameter Weibull distributions (compare Step 3).

International data sets from National Centers for Environmental Information need different treatment. A short extract of such files is given below.

```
1990 01 02 15    61    6 10106    0    0    8 ...
1990 01 02 16    61    11 10109   260   15    7 ...
1990 01 02 17    67    11 10111    0    0    7 ...
      ...
```

The ninth column contains wind speed values scaled by a factor of ten. For this reason, we have to rescale these data by dividing these values by a factor of ten. Since international data sets are archived for every year, we must put together complete time series. If we want to adjust the given wind speeds of the weather stations at reading height to hub height, we need so-called power laws [7,8]. If h_r is the reading height and v_r is the measured wind speed at reading height, the extrapolation power law for the new wind speed v at hub height h reads

$$v = v_r \cdot \left(\frac{h}{h_r}\right)^\alpha$$

where α is an empirical coefficient depending on the location’s roughness. For further details, we refer interested readers to [7,8]. Concluding this step, we provide short pseudo-code which describe our wind speed processing procedure in Algorithm 1 .

Since all following steps are the same for different time series of wind speeds, we restrict our discussion and results to the case of wind speeds measured at reading height. However, all our mentioned steps can still be carried out if we apply the power law to the wind speeds at our pre-processing step 1.

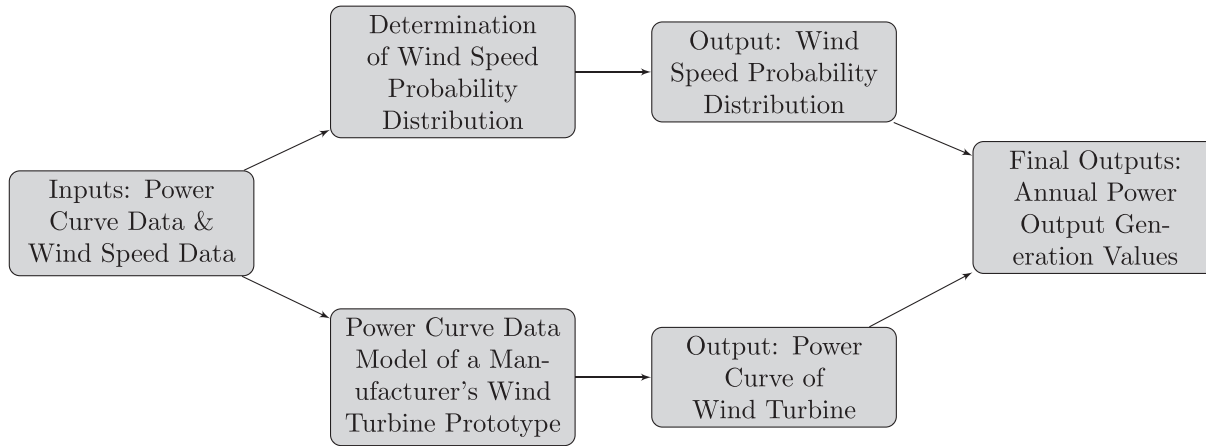


Fig. 1. A flowchart of our abstract framework for annual averaged power output generation prediction

Algorithm 1: Pseudo-code for wind speed data processing

Inputs: Wind speed data sets

Step 1: Put all archived data files together such that one complete time series is available. This is only necessary for wind speed data from National Centers for Environmental Information.

Step 2: Choose right column of wind speed data.

Step 3: Delete non-zero entries for all wind speed probability distributions and additionally eliminate all zero entries for two-parameter Weibull distributions.

Step 4: Rescale wind speed by a factor of ten. This is solely necessary for wind speed data from National Centers for Environmental Information.

Step 5: If you adjust wind speeds to hub height, you have to apply the above mentioned power-law with respect to the wind speeds' time series.

Outputs: Prepared wind speed data sets

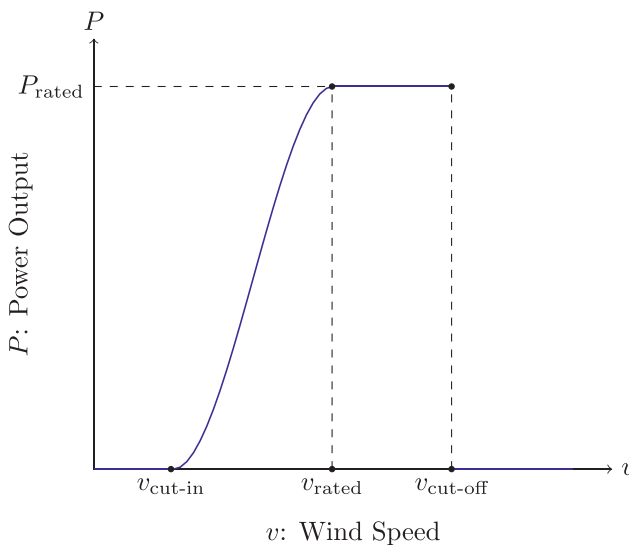


Fig. 2. Plot of a general wind power curve

Step 2: Power curve modeling

A typical course of wind power curves is shown in [Figure 2](#).

We observe that wind power curves can be described by piecewise defined functions. This general approach reads

$$P_{\text{Power}}(v) = \begin{cases} 0 & , v \in [0, v_{\text{cut-in}}) \\ q(v) & , v \in [v_{\text{cut-in}}, v_{\text{rated}}] \\ P_{\text{rated}} & , v \in (v_{\text{rated}}, v_{\text{cut-off}}) \\ 0 & , v \in [v_{\text{cut-off}}, \infty) \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where $q(v)$ is an arbitrary function on $[v_{\text{cut-in}}, v_{\text{rated}}]$. Here, v represents wind speed while $v_{\text{cut-in}}$, v_{rated} and $v_{\text{cut-off}}$ denote cut-in wind speed, rated wind speed and cut-off wind speed respectively. P_{rated} is the rated power output.

Before considering power curve modeling in more detail, we summarize given wind speed data from manufacturer Vestas [9] in [Table 1](#).

Table 1
Hourly Power Output Data For Wind Turbine Vestas V112

Wind Speed	Power Output	Wind Speed	Power Output
0.0	0	13.5	3075
0.5	0	14.0	3075
1.0	0	14.5	3075
1.5	0	15.0	3075
2.0	0	15.5	3075
2.5	0	16.0	3075
3.0	26	16.5	3075
3.5	73	17.0	3075
4.0	133	17.5	3075
4.5	207	18.0	3075
5.0	302	18.5	3075
5.5	416	19.0	3075
6.0	554	19.5	3075
6.5	717	20.0	3075
7.0	907	20.5	3075
7.5	1126	21.0	3075
8.0	1375	21.5	3075
8.5	1652	22.0	3075
9.0	1985	22.5	3075
9.5	2282	23.0	3075
10.0	2585	23.5	3075
10.5	2821	24.0	3075
11.0	2997	24.5	3075
11.5	3050	25.0	3075
12.0	3067	25.5	0
12.5	3074	26.0	0
13.0	3075	26.5	0

We clearly see that we can algorithmically determine $v_{\text{cut-in}}$, v_{rated} and $v_{\text{cut-off}}$ from these data. Determination of $v_{\text{cut-in}}$ is portrayed in [Algorithm 2](#).

Algorithm 2: Pseudo-code for determination of $v_{\text{cut-in}}$

Inputs: Power curve data (v_k, P_k) with wind speed series $\{v_k\}$ and power output series $\{P_k\}$
for $j \in \{1, \dots, \text{length}(\{v_j\})\}$ **do**
 while $P_j = 0.0$ **do**
 $j = j + 1$
 end
 break
end
 $j_{\text{cut-in}} = j$
 $v_{\text{cut-in}} = v_{j_{\text{cut-in}}}$
Output: $j_{\text{cut-in}}$ and $v_{\text{cut-in}}$

Determination of v_{rated} is shown in [Algorithm 3](#).

Finally, our procedure for calculation of $v_{\text{cut-off}}$ is given in [Algorithm 4](#).

Now, we can use these results to interpolate power curve data points by certain power curve models. We restrict ourselves to two methods of cubic spline interpolation and logistic regression. For further models, we refer interested readers to [2].

At first, we begin with cubic spline interpolation. Let $v_1, \dots, v_M \in [v_{\text{cut-in}}, v_{\text{rated}}]$ be M ascending data points in the interval of interest, i.e.

$$v_{\text{cut-in}} = v_1 < v_2 < \dots < v_{M-1} < v_M = v_{\text{rated}}.$$

Algorithm 3: Pseudo-code for determination of v_{rated}

Inputs: Power curve data (v_k, P_k) with wind speed series $\{v_k\}$ and power output series $\{P_k\}$ and $j_{\text{cut-in}}$

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for  $j \in \{j_{\text{cut-in}}, \text{length}(\{v_j\})\}$  do
  while  $P_j \neq P_{j+1}$  do
     $j = j + 1$ 
  end
  break
end
 $j_{\text{rated}} = j$ 
 $v_{\text{rated}} = v_{j_{\text{rated}}}$ 
Output:  $j_{\text{rated}}$  and  $v_{\text{rated}}$ 

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Algorithm 4: Pseudo-code for determination of $v_{\text{cut-off}}$

Inputs: Power curve data (v_k, P_k) with wind speed series $\{v_k\}$ and power output series $\{P_k\}$, $j_{\text{cut-in}}$ and j_{rated}

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for  $j \in \{j_{\text{rated}}, \text{length}(\{v_j\})\}$  do
  while  $P_j \neq 0.0$  do
     $j = j + 1$ 
  end
  break
end
 $j_{\text{cut-off}} = j$ 
 $v_{\text{cut-off}} = v_{j_{\text{cut-off}}}$ 
Output:  $j_{\text{cut-off}}$  and  $v_{\text{cut-off}}$ 

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Our cubic spline interpolation model q_{cub} reads

$$q_{\text{cub}}(v|\theta_{\text{cub}}) = \begin{cases} a_1 \cdot v^3 + b_1 \cdot v^2 + c_1 \cdot v + d_1 & , v \in [v_1, v_2) \\ a_2 \cdot v^3 + b_2 \cdot v^2 + c_2 \cdot v + d_2 & , v \in [v_2, v_3) \\ \dots & \dots \\ a_M \cdot v^3 + b_M \cdot v^2 + c_M \cdot v + d_M & , v \in [v_{M-1}, v_M] \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where a_l, b_l, c_l, d_l for $l \in \{1, \dots, M\}$ are all cubic interpolation parameters and θ_{cub} all summarizes them in one vector. To build the linear system, all data points have to be passed and first derivatives must be continuous. We further need to define appropriate boundary conditions. For further details on cubic spline interpolation methods, we refer interested readers to Fritsch and Carlson [10] or Hyman [11]. With respect to the scripting language R, all these variants are implemented by SPLINEFUN.

Let us now consider logistic regression. The logistic regression model function q_{log} is defined by

$$q_{\text{log}}(v|\theta_{\text{log}}) = \frac{B}{C + D \cdot \exp(-E \cdot v + F)} \quad (3)$$

where B, C, D, E, F are all logistic regression parameters which are summarized in θ_{log} . To apply ordinary least-squares regression, we define an optimization cost function \mathcal{J} by

$$\mathcal{J}(\theta_{\text{log}}) = \sum_{j=1}^M (q_{\text{log}}(v_j|\theta_{\text{log}}) - P_j)^2 \quad (4)$$

where (v_j, P_j) are given power curve data points. We refer interested readers to the optimization book of Nocedal and Wright for details on different algorithms to solve this problem formulation [12].

Step 3: Wind speed probability distribution modeling

A given time series $\{v_k\}_{k=1}^N$ of N wind speed data points is our input for wind speed probability distribution modeling. Since we only can provide a non-exhaustive overview on this vast field, we refer interested readers to the review by Wang and co-authors [13].

We concentrate on three probability speed distribution models which are often applied in wind speed modeling [4] - two-parameter Weibull distributions, four-parameter Kappa distributions and five-parameter Wakeby distributions.

Let us start with the two-parameter Weibull distribution, the most-common used wind speed probability distribution in wind speed analytics. It is often obtained by maximizing log-likelihood functions. This method has favorable statistical properties. Recently, Wacker, Kneib and Schlüter also proved that this functional has a unique global maximizer [14]. Hence, numerical optimization simplifies in this case.

The two-parameter Weibull distribution reads

$$p_{\text{Wei}}(v|A_{\text{Wei}}, k_{\text{Wei}}) = \frac{k_{\text{Wei}}}{A_{\text{Wei}}} \cdot \left(\frac{v}{A_{\text{Wei}}}\right)^{k_{\text{Wei}}-1} \cdot \exp\left(-\left(\frac{v}{A_{\text{Wei}}}\right)^{k_{\text{Wei}}}\right) \tag{5}$$

for all $v > 0$ where A_{Wei} denotes the scale parameter and k_{Wei} the shape parameter of the corresponding distribution [15]. The corresponding maximum log-likelihood function is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(A_{\text{Wei}}, k_{\text{Wei}}) &= N \cdot \ln(k_{\text{Wei}}) - N \cdot k_{\text{Wei}} \cdot \ln(A_{\text{Wei}}) + (k_{\text{Wei}} - 1) \cdot \sum_{j=1}^N \ln(v_j) \\ &\quad - \sum_{j=1}^N \left(\frac{v_j}{A_{\text{Wei}}}\right)^{k_{\text{Wei}}} \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

We determine first derivatives of \mathcal{L} by

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(A_{\text{Wei}}, k_{\text{Wei}})}{\partial A_{\text{Wei}}} = -\frac{N \cdot k_{\text{Wei}}}{A_{\text{Wei}}} + \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{k_{\text{Wei}}}{A_{\text{Wei}}} \cdot \left(\frac{x_j}{A_{\text{Wei}}}\right)^{k_{\text{Wei}}} \tag{7}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(A_{\text{Wei}}, k_{\text{Wei}})}{\partial k_{\text{Wei}}} &= \frac{N}{k_{\text{Wei}}} - N \cdot \ln(A_{\text{Wei}}) + \sum_{j=1}^N \ln(v_j) \\ &\quad - \sum_{j=1}^N \ln\left(\frac{v_j}{A_{\text{Wei}}}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{v_j}{A_{\text{Wei}}}\right)^{k_{\text{Wei}}} \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

respectively. If we set these equations equal to zero, we will obtain a nonlinear system of equations which can be solved, for example, by Newton methods [12]. We use such methods which are supplied by R-packages `ENVSTATS` [16] or `fitdistrplus` [17].

Let $\theta_{\text{Kap}} = (A_{\text{Kap}}, k_{\text{Kap}}, \mu_{\text{Kap}}, h_{\text{Kap}})$ be the summarizing vector of all four parameters for the Kappa distribution. The four-parameter Kappa distribution is then defined by

$$p_{\text{Kap}}(v|\theta_{\text{Kap}}) = \frac{1}{A_{\text{Kap}}} \cdot \left\{ 1 - \frac{k_{\text{Kap}} \cdot (v - \mu_{\text{Kap}})}{A_{\text{Kap}}} \right\}^{k_{\text{Kap}}-1} \cdot \left\{ F_{\text{Kap}}(v) \right\}^{1-h_{\text{Kap}}} \tag{9}$$

for all $v \geq 0$ with scale parameter A_{Kap} , shape parameter k_{Kap} , location parameter μ_{Kap} and second shape parameter h_{Kap} . Here, the cumulative distribution function is given by

$$F_{Kap}(v | \theta_{Kap}) = \left\{ 1 - h_{Kap} \cdot \left\{ 1 - \frac{k_{Kap} \cdot (v - \mu_{Kap})}{A_{Kap}} \right\}^{\frac{1}{k_{Kap}}} \right\}^{\frac{1}{h_{Kap}}} \tag{10}$$

Finally, let $\theta_{Wak} = (A_{Wak}, \gamma_{Wak}, k_{Wak}, \mu_{Wak}, h_{Wak})$ be the summarizing vector of all five parameters for the Wakeby distribution. The five-parameter Wakeby distribution is then defined by

$$p_{Wak}(v | \theta_{Wak}) = \left\{ A_{Wak} \cdot \{1 - F_{Wak}(v)\}^{\gamma_{Wak} - 1} + k_{Wak} \cdot \{1 - F_{Wak}(v)\}^{-k_{Wak} - 1} \right\}^{-1} \tag{11}$$

for all $v \geq 0$ with scale parameter A_{Wak} , second scale parameter γ_{Wak} , shape parameter k_{Wak} , location parameter μ_{Wak} and second shape parameter h_{Wak} . Here, the cumulative distribution function is implicitly given by

$$F_{Wak}^{-1}(v | \theta_{Wak}) = \mu_{Wak} + \frac{A_{Wak}}{\mu_{Wak}} \cdot \left\{ 1 - (1 - F_{Wak}(v))^{\gamma_{Wak}} \right\} - \frac{k_{Wak}}{h_{Wak}} \cdot \left\{ 1 - (1 - F_{Wak}(v))^{-h_{Wak}} \right\}. \tag{12}$$

In contrast to two-parameter Weibull and four-parameter Kappa distributions, this implies that five-parameter Wakeby distributions are only implicitly defined. An often applied method to estimate parameters in four-parameter Kappa and five-parameter Wakeby distributions is the estimation method of L-moments. This method is implemented in the R-package LMOMCO from Hosking. For details on this estimation technique, we refer interested readers to Hosking’s paper [18] since we use Hosking’s Fortran implementation.

Step 4: Calculation of annual averaged wind power output generation values

The important output of algorithmic procedure are semi-empirical and estimated annual averaged wind power output generation values from from arbitrary power curves P_{Power} and arbitrary wind speed probability distributions p_{Wind} . This calculation is based on approximations of finite integrals. The semi-empirical averaged hourly wind power output generation value reads

$$\overline{P_{Hourly, Semi-Emp.}} \approx \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{P_{Power}(v_j)}{N} \tag{13}$$

for all wind speed data $v_j \geq 0$ for all $j \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ with physical unit kWh^{-1} . Finally, the semi-empirical averaged annual wind power output generation value is obtained by calculating

$$\overline{P_{Ann., Semi-Emp.}} = \frac{365 \cdot 24 \cdot \overline{P_{Hourly, Semi-Emp.}}}{1000000} \tag{14}$$

with physical unit $\frac{GW}{year}$. These values serve as comparative values for our estimations.

Now, we are able to approximate estimation values based on finite integrals. Let us begin with estimated hourly averaged wind power output generation values. We calculate them by

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{P_{Hourly, Th.}} &= \int_0^\infty P_{Power}(v | \theta_{Power}) \cdot p_{Wind}(v | \theta_{Wind}) dv \\ &\approx \int_{v_{cut-in}}^{v_{cut-off}} P_{Power}(v | \theta_{Power}) \cdot p_{Wind}(v | \theta_{Wind}) dv. \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

For example, one could use left-sided Riemannian sums

$$\overline{P_{\text{Hourly, LRS}}} \approx \sum_{m=10 \cdot v_{\text{cut-in}}}^{10 \cdot v_{\text{cut-off}}} p_{\text{Wind}}\left(\frac{m}{10} | \theta_{\text{Wind}}\right) \cdot P_{\text{Power}}\left(\frac{m}{10} | \theta_{\text{Power}}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{10} \tag{16}$$

because wind speeds are normally measured in 0.1 steps. Other possibilities are right-sided Riemannian sums, trapezoidal approximations or Simpson’s rule. Since numerical integration is a vast field, we refer interested readers to the book by Davis and Rabinowitz [19]. This integral yields one hourly averaged wind power output generation value with physical unit kWh⁻¹. Finally, the annual averaged wind power output generation value is given by

$$\overline{P_{\text{Ann., Th.}}} = \frac{365 \cdot 24 \cdot \overline{P_{\text{Hourly, Th}}}}{1000000} \tag{17}$$

and the physical unit of annual averaged wind power output generation values reads $\frac{\text{GW}}{\text{year}}$.

Step 5: Goodness-of-fit measures and uncertainty quantification

Since we want to compare different fits to curves, we often challenge the problem of comparing them. Coefficients of determination are applied to compare parametric models. Let $v_i \in [v_{\text{cut-in}}, v_{\text{cut-off}}]$ be all measured wind speeds which are larger than the cut-in wind speed $v_{\text{cut-in}}$ and which are smaller than the cut-off wind speed $v_{\text{cut-off}}$. Denote empirical wind speed probabilities by $p_{\text{Emp.}}(v_i)$ and estimated wind speed probabilities of certain wind speed distribution models by $p_{\text{Wind}}(v_i)$. The mean of all empirical wind speed probabilities is represented by $\overline{p_{\text{Emp.}}(v_i)}$. The coefficient of determination reads

$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{\sum_{v_i} \left(p_{\text{Emp.}}(v_i) - p_{\text{Wind}}(v_i) \right)^2}{\sum_{v_i} \left(p_{\text{Emp.}}(v_i) - \overline{p_{\text{Emp.}}(v_i)} \right)^2} \tag{18}$$

where summations are performed over all measured wind speeds which are larger than $v_{\text{cut-in}}$ and which are smaller than $v_{\text{cut-off}}$.

We discuss error analysis on this two-parameter Weibull distributions in a more detailed manner. Our analysis relies on Taylor’s book [20]. Our starting point is (15). Assume both functions p_{Weib} and P_{Power} to be uncertain. Here, the wind speed probability distribution function is the two-parameter Weibull distribution. Assume that the variables x_1, \dots, x_n are measured with uncertainties $\delta x_1, \dots, \delta x_n$ and these values are used to compute a function value $f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$. If formula (3.48)

$$\delta f \leq \sum_{j=1}^n \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j} \right| \cdot \delta x_j$$

for the uncertainty δf of f from [20] is applied, the lower bound error of p_{Weib} reads

$$\begin{aligned} p_{\text{Weib}}(v | A_{\text{Weib}}, k_{\text{Weib}}) - \delta p_{\text{Weib}} &\geq p_{\text{Weib}}(v | A_{\text{Weib}}, k_{\text{Weib}}) - \frac{\partial p_{\text{Weib}}(v | A_{\text{Weib}}, k_{\text{Weib}})}{\partial v} \cdot \Delta v \\ &\quad - \frac{\partial p_{\text{Weib}}(v | A_{\text{Weib}}, k_{\text{Weib}})}{\partial A_{\text{Weib}}} \cdot \sigma_{A_{\text{Weib}}} \\ &\quad - \frac{\partial p_{\text{Weib}}(v | A_{\text{Weib}}, k_{\text{Weib}})}{\partial k_{\text{Weib}}} \cdot \sigma_{k_{\text{Weib}}} \end{aligned}$$

where $\sigma_{A_{\text{Weib}}}$ and $\sigma_{k_{\text{Weib}}}$ are standard deviations of A_{Weib} and k_{Weib} respectively and Δv is the absolute measurement error in wind speed measurements. The lower bound error of P_{Power} is given by

$$P_{\text{Power}}(v | \theta_{\text{Wind}}) - \delta P_{\text{Power}} \geq P_{\text{Power}}(v | \theta_{\text{Wind}}) - \frac{\partial P_{\text{Power}}(v | \theta_{\text{Wind}})}{\partial v} \cdot \Delta v$$

where we neglect uncertainties in our parameter vector θ_{Wind} because we mainly apply cubic spline interpolation. Consequently, the absolute error $\Delta \overline{P}_{Hourly,Th.}$ is calculated by

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \overline{P}_{Hourly,Th.} = & \sum_{m=10^{-v} \text{ cut-in}}^{10^{-v} \text{ cut-off}} \left(\frac{1}{10} \cdot p_{Wind} \left(\frac{m}{10} \mid \theta_{Wind} \right) \cdot P_{Power} \left(\frac{m}{10} \mid \theta_{Power} \right) \right. \\ & \times \left\{ \left| \frac{\partial p_{Wind}}{\partial v} \left(\frac{m}{10} \mid \theta_{Wind} \right) \right| \cdot \Delta v + \left| \frac{\partial p_{Wind}}{\partial A_{Wei}} \left(\frac{m}{10} \mid \theta_{Wind} \right) \right| \cdot \sigma_{A_{Wei}} \right. \\ & + \left. \left| \frac{\partial p_{Wind}}{\partial k_{Wei}} \left(\frac{m}{10} \mid \theta_{Wind} \right) \right| \cdot \sigma_{k_{Wei}} \right\} + \left| \frac{\partial P_{Power}}{\partial v} \left(\frac{m}{10} \mid \theta_{Power} \right) \right| \cdot \Delta v \\ & - \left| \frac{\partial P_{Power}}{\partial v} \left(\frac{m}{10} \mid \theta_{Power} \right) \right| \cdot \Delta v \cdot \left\{ \left| \frac{\partial p_{Wind}}{\partial v} \left(\frac{m}{10} \mid \theta_{Wind} \right) \right| \cdot \Delta v \right. \\ & \left. \left. + \left| \frac{\partial p_{Wind}}{\partial A_{Wei}} \left(\frac{m}{10} \mid \theta_{Wind} \right) \right| \cdot \sigma_{A_{Wei}} + \left| \frac{\partial p_{Wind}}{\partial k_{Wei}} \left(\frac{m}{10} \mid \theta_{Wind} \right) \right| \cdot \sigma_{k_{Wei}} \right\} \right) \quad (19) \end{aligned}$$

as we multiply $p_{Wei}(v|A_{Wei}, k_{Wei}) - \delta p_{Wei}$ and $P_{Power}(v|\theta_{Wind}) - \delta P_{Power}$ to obtain our approximate lower bound. The same argument holds for upper bounds. The first derivatives of two-parameter Weibull distributions read

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial p_{Wei}(v|A_{Wei}, k_{Wei})}{\partial v} &= \frac{(k_{Wei} - 1) \cdot k_{Wei} \cdot \exp\left(-\left(\frac{v}{A_{Wei}}\right)^{k_{Wei}}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{v}{A_{Wei}}\right)^{k_{Wei}-2}}{A_{Wei}^2} \\ &- \frac{k_{Wei}^2 \cdot \exp\left(-\left(\frac{v}{A_{Wei}}\right)^{k_{Wei}}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{v}{A_{Wei}}\right)^{2 \cdot k_{Wei}-2}}{A_{Wei}^2}, \\ \frac{\partial p_{Wei}(v|A_{Wei}, k_{Wei})}{\partial A_{Wei}} &= \frac{k_{Wei}^2 \cdot \exp\left(-\left(\frac{v}{A_{Wei}}\right)^{k_{Wei}}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{v}{A_{Wei}}\right)^{2 \cdot k_{Wei}}}{A_{Wei} \cdot v} \\ &- \frac{k_{Wei}^2 \cdot \exp\left(-\left(\frac{v}{A_{Wei}}\right)^{k_{Wei}}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{v}{A_{Wei}}\right)^{k_{Wei}}}{A_{Wei} \cdot v} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial p_{Wei}(v|A_{Wei}, k_{Wei})}{\partial k_{Wei}} &= \frac{\exp\left(-\left(\frac{v}{A_{Wei}}\right)^{k_{Wei}}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{v}{A_{Wei}}\right)^{k_{Wei}-1}}{A_{Wei}} \\ &+ \frac{k_{Wei} \cdot \exp\left(-\left(\frac{v}{A_{Wei}}\right)^{k_{Wei}}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{v}{A_{Wei}}\right)^{k_{Wei}-1} \cdot \ln\left(\frac{v}{A_{Wei}}\right)}{A_{Wei}} \\ &- \frac{k_{Wei} \cdot \exp\left(-\left(\frac{v}{A_{Wei}}\right)^{k_{Wei}}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{v}{A_{Wei}}\right)^{2 \cdot k_{Wei}-1} \cdot \ln\left(\frac{v}{A_{Wei}}\right)}{A_{Wei}}. \end{aligned}$$

Since one main goal of this article is the prediction of annual averaged wind power output generation values, absolute differences of such values are suitable comparative measures. The absolute difference between semi-empirical and estimated annual averaged wind power output generation values reads

$$\Delta P_{Values} = \left| \overline{P}_{Ann., Semi-Emp.} - \overline{P}_{Ann., Th.} \right|. \quad (20)$$

Table 2
Collected results

Number	Result
1	Station identification number
2	Location
3	Longitude
4	Latitude
5	Station height
6	Reading height
7	Number of data
8	Mean wind speed
9	Standard deviation of wind speed data
10	Minimum of wind speed data
11	Maximum of wind speed data
12	k_{Wei}
13	A_{Wei}
14	Semi-empirical annual averaged power output generation values
15	Estimated annual averaged power output generation values by Weibull distributions
16	Errors of Weibull estimates
17	Absolute differences between semi-empirical values and Weibull estimates
18	Estimated annual averaged power output generation values by Kappa distributions
19	Absolute differences between semi-empirical values and Kappa estimates
20	Estimated annual averaged power output generation values by Wakeby distributions
21	Absolute differences between semi-empirical values and Wakeby estimates

Table 3
Data for Bremen, Germany

Data	Value
Station identification number	00691
Location	Bremen, Germany
Longitude	8.80
Latitude	53.05
Station height	4.10 [m]
Reading height	10 [m]
Starting date	1926/01/01
Ending date	2018/12/31

Step 6: Summary of results

All obtained data are summarized in one file. We list the important results that one might want access.

These data are saved in one file named RESULTS_01.TXT. A reduced version of collected data is saved in one file named RESULTS_02.TXT.

Example: Bremen, Germany

We first summarize some important data regarding weather station no. 00691 located at Bremen, Germany in [Table 3](#).

These data is taken from a meta-data-file which accompanies the weather-station-data-file. After calculation, we obtain the following results. All these results are summarized in [Table 4](#).

The empirical histogram of wind speeds and wind speed probability distributions are portrayed in [Figure 3](#).

Histogram and Different Probability Distributions for Bremen, Germany

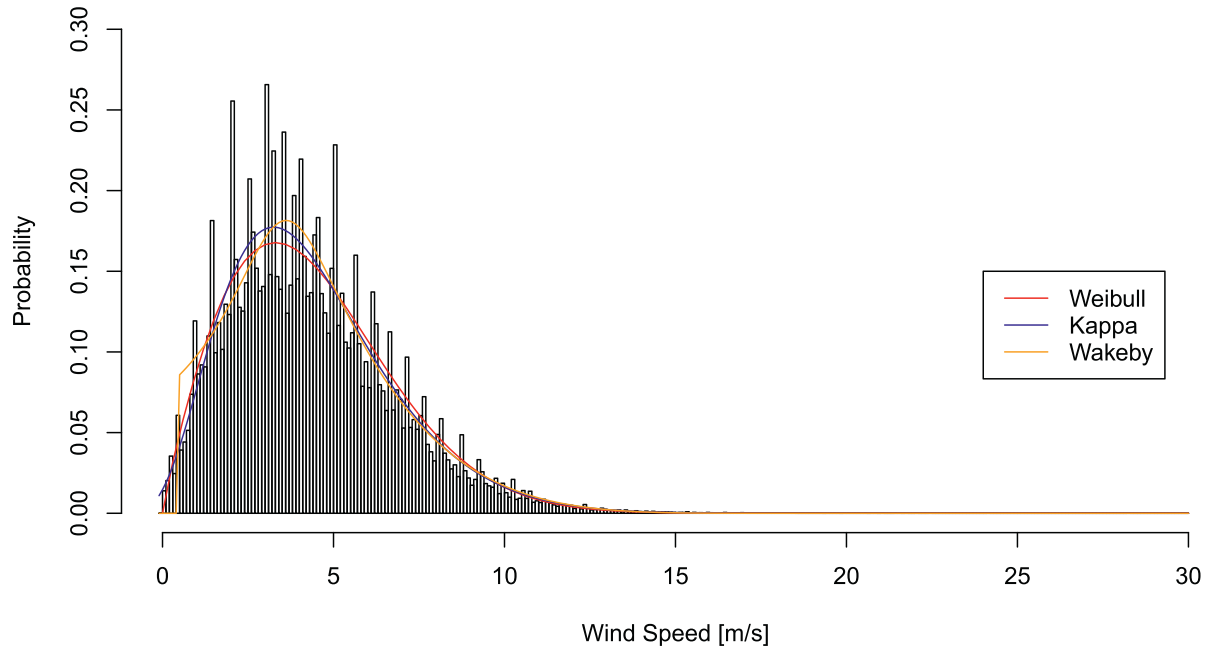


Fig. 3. Frequency histogram and wind speed probability distributions for Bremen, Germany

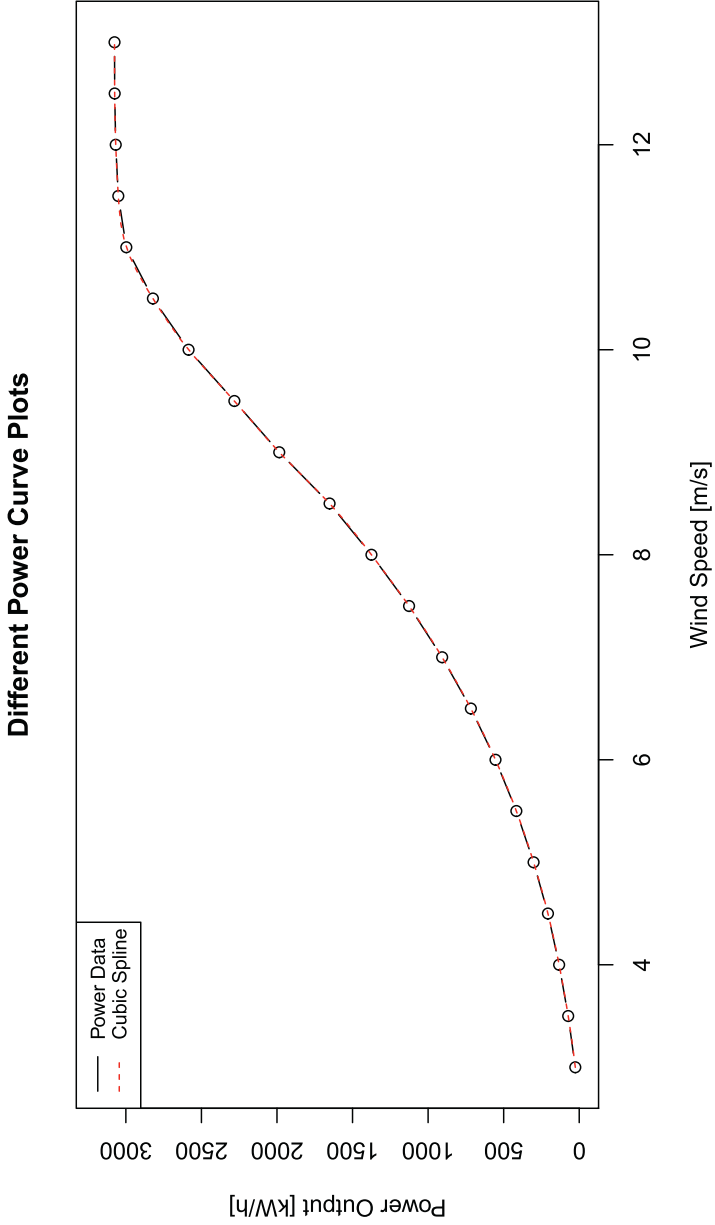


Fig. 4. Cubic spline interpolation of power curve data

Table 4
Results for Bremen, Germany

Data	Results
7 from Table 2	639270
8 from Table 2	4.36 [m/s]
9 from Table 2	2.43 [m/s]
10 from Table 2	0.0 [m/s]
11 from Table 2	28.3 [ms]
12 from Table 2	1.89
13 from Table 2	4.93
14 from Table 2	3.49 [GW/year]
15 from Table 2	3.56 [GW/year]
16 from Table 2	0.23 [GW/year]
17 from Table 2	0.07 [GW/year]
18 from Table 2	3.51 [GW/year]
19 from Table 2	0.02 [GW/year]
20 from Table 2	3.53 [GW/year]
21 from Table 2	0.04 [GW/year]

Table 5
 R^2 -values for
Bremen, Germany

R^2	Value
R^2_{Wei}	0.918
R^2_{Kap}	0.922
R^2_{Wak}	0.919

The cubic spline interpolation of power curve data is presented in Figure 4.

We conclusively report the R^2 -values of all three wind speed probability distribution for this example in Table 5.

Code availability and data availability

The R [21] and GNU OCTAVE [22] codes can be downloaded from <https://github.com/bewa87/2020-Energy-AAPOGFWT>. Data for the presented wind turbine from Vestas can be obtained from <https://www.wind-turbine-models.com/turbines/7-vestas-v112-onshore#datasheet>. Wind speed data for all German weather stations are available under [5] and wind speed data for worldwide weather stations can be accessed under [6].

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