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Satellite SAR applied in offshore wind  
ressource mapping:  
possibilities and limitations

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## Wind from SAR

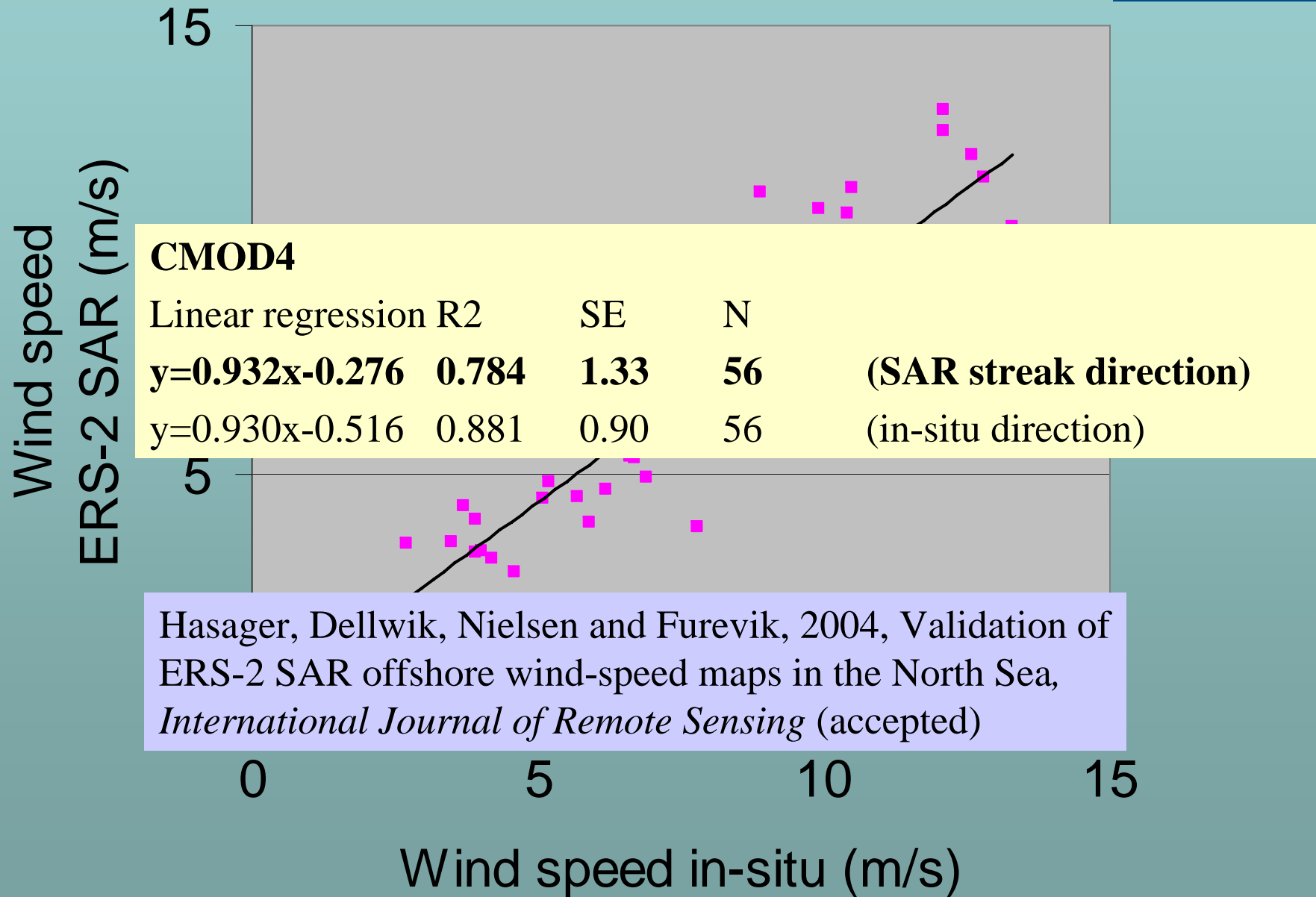
- The objective is to quantify the regional offshore wind climate for wind energy application based on satellite SAR
- Study of 85 ERS-2 SAR scenes
- Using CMOD4 (Stoffelen and Anderson, 1997)

# Stu... e: Horns Rev, Denmark

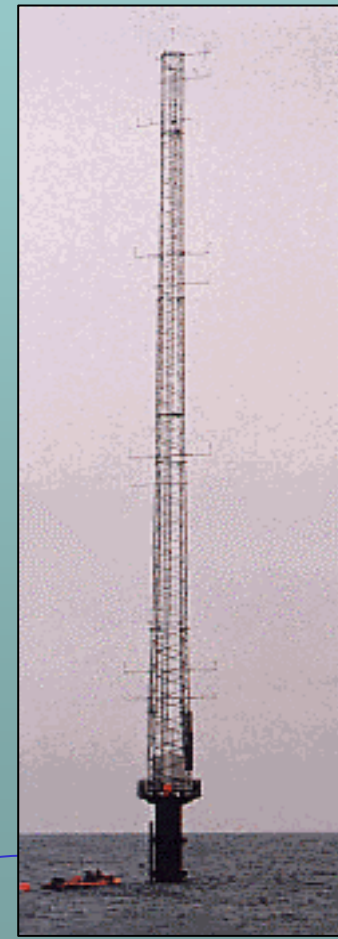
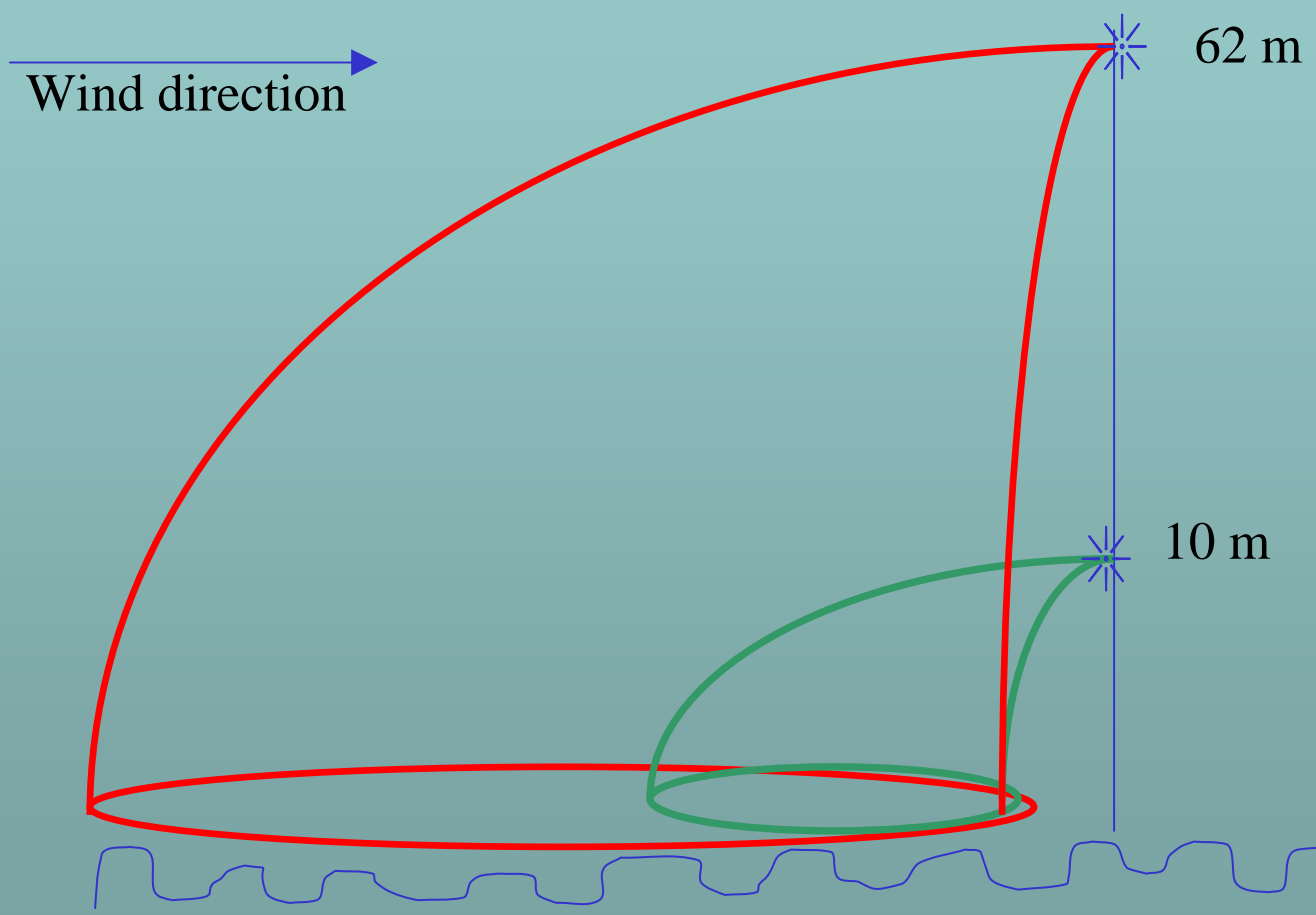
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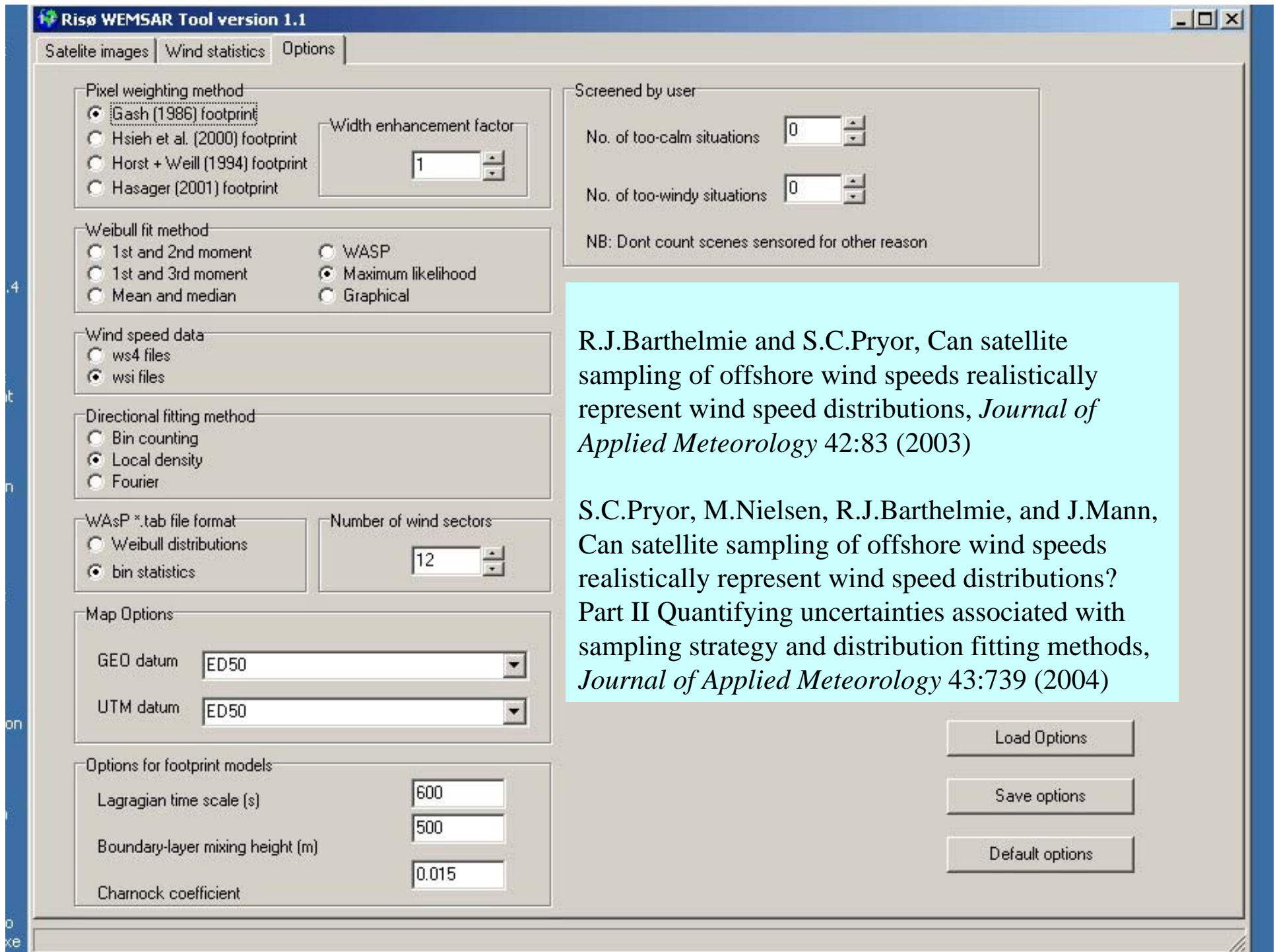


# Horns Rev in the North Sea



# Upwind footprints for the Horns Rev mast





Pixel weighting method

- Gash (1986) footprint
- Hsieh et al. (2000) footprint
- Horst + Weill (1994) footprint
- Hasager (2001) footprint

Width enhancement factor

1

Screened by user

No. of too-calm situations

0

No. of too-windy situations

0

NB: Dont count scenes sensed for other reason

Weibull fit method

- 1st and 2nd moment
- 1st and 3rd moment
- Mean and median
- WASP
- Maximum likelihood
- Graphical

Wind speed data

- ws4 files
- wsi files

Directional fitting method

- Bin counting
- Local density
- Fourier

WAsP \*.tab file format

- Weibull distributions
- bin statistics

Number of wind sectors

12

Map Options

GEO datum

ED50

UTM datum

ED50

Options for footprint models

Lagrangian time scale (s)

600

Boundary-layer mixing height (m)

500

Charnock coefficient

0.015

R.J.Barthelmie and S.C.Pryor, Can satellite sampling of offshore wind speeds realistically represent wind speed distributions, *Journal of Applied Meteorology* 42:83 (2003)

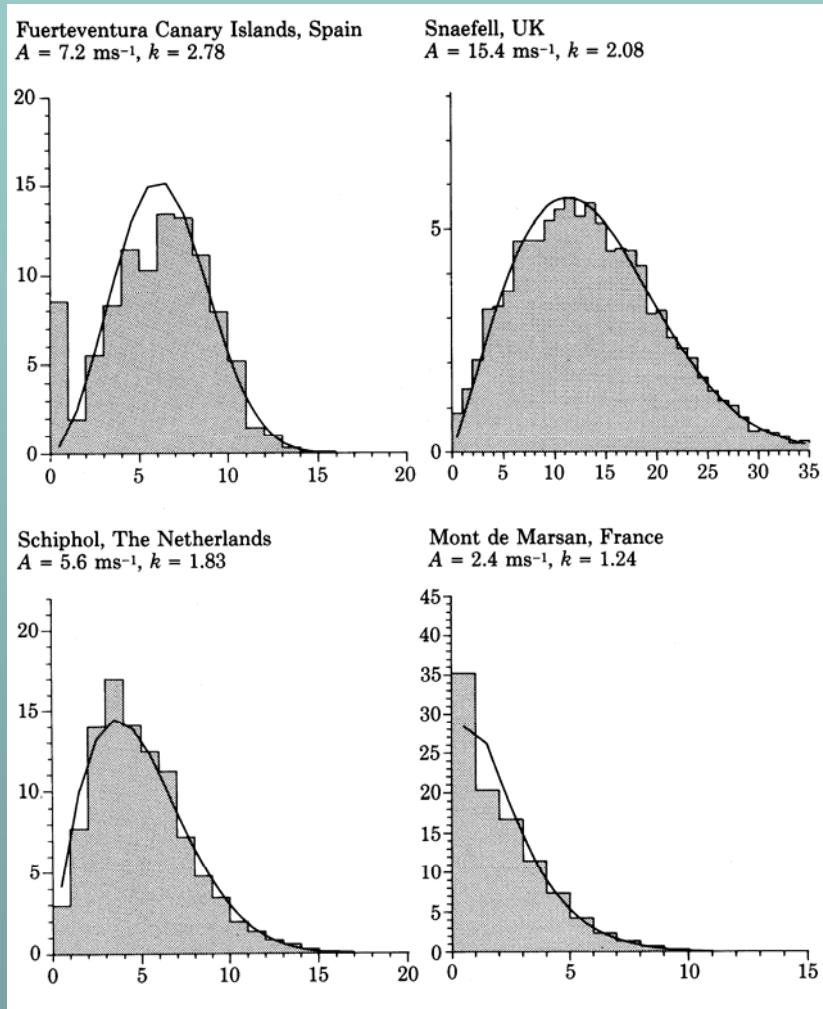
S.C.Pryor, M.Nielsen, R.J.Barthelmie, and J.Mann, Can satellite sampling of offshore wind speeds realistically represent wind speed distributions? Part II Quantifying uncertainties associated with sampling strategy and distribution fitting methods, *Journal of Applied Meteorology* 43:739 (2004)

Load Options

Save options

Default options

# Weibull distributions



Weibull distribution:

$$f(u) = \frac{k}{A} \left(\frac{u}{A}\right)^{k-1} \text{Exp}\left[-\left(\frac{u}{A}\right)^k\right]$$

$f$ : frequency of occurrence

$u$ : wind speed

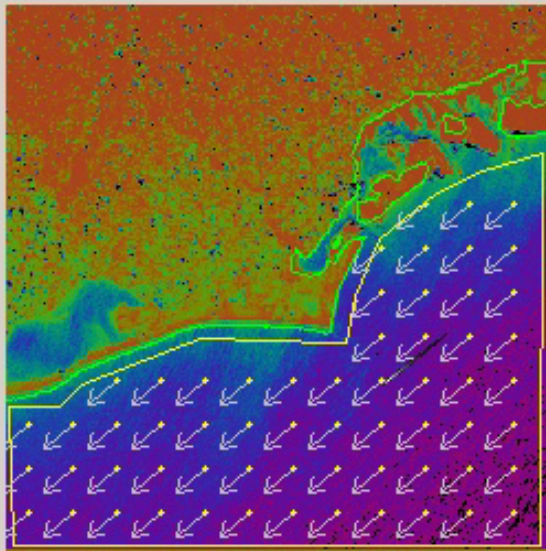
$k$ : shape parameter

$A$ : scale parameter

Selected scene

ERS-2 SAR  
 DATE: 20011023  
 TIME: 102646  
 ORBIT: 34030  
 FRAME: 2482  
 CORNER COORDINATES:  
 (row,col) : lat,lon  
 (0,0) : 55.9494 , 9.2078  
 (253,0) : 55.0685 , 8.8102  
 (253,250) : 55.2756 , 7.2846  
 (0,250) : 56.1593 , 7.6462  
 PIXEL SIZE: 400m x 400m  
 UTM 32  
 (row,col) : East North  
 (0,0) : 512978 6200604  
 (253,0) : 487879 6102563  
 (253,250) : 391022 6126935  
 (0,250) : 415913 6224772

Field



Selected site

Latitude   
 Longitude   
 Turbine hub height (m)   
 Show stream   
 Show boundary   
 Show footprint   
 Show coast   
 Displayed field  
 none  
 wind speed  
 wind direction  
 Footprint contour (%)

List of satellite scenes

- 31024\_2482\_010327
- 31296\_2482\_010415
- 31360\_1107\_010419
- 31525\_2482\_010501
- 32026\_2482\_010605
- 32799\_2482\_010729
- 32820\_1107\_010730
- 33028\_2482\_010814
- 33092\_1107\_010818
- 33300\_2482\_010902
- 33364\_1107\_010906
- 33529\_2482\_010918
- 33822\_1107\_011008
- 34030\_2482\_011023

Select all

Select none

Boundary

442992 6217618  
 440710 6208705  
 443601 6203863  
 446298 6180520  
 439569 6157462  
 438974 6155137  
 446730 6151557  
 455635 6144393  
 461209 6132288  
 462620 6123280  
 462948 6111656  
 394813 6129445  
 418821 6223224

Max Boundary

Save Boundary

List of scenes using all data within boundary

- 21340\_1107\_990520
- 21777\_2482\_990620
- 21798\_1107\_990621
- 22006\_2486\_990706
- 22070\_1107\_990710
- 22342\_1107\_990729
- 22507\_2493\_990810
- 22800\_1107\_990830
- 23072\_1107\_990918
- 23280\_2493\_991003
- 23344\_1107\_991007
- 23509\_2493\_991019
- 24010\_2493\_991123
- 24160\_1107\_991203
- 24246\_1107\_991216



Scene	Speed	Direction	Heading
21340_1107_990520	3.33	123.7	347.7
21777_2482_990620	9.59	222.6	195.0
21798_1107_990621	9.57	315.1	346.6
22006_2486_990706	3.75	297.8	194.4
22070_1107_990710	2.05	72.8	347.1
22342_1107_990729	6.17	33.6	347.7
22507_2493_990810	9.87	328.9	194.5
22800_1107_990830	7.70	292.8	346.6
23072_1107_990918	4.34	95.8	347.1
23280_2493_991003	N/A	N/A	195.1
23344_1107_991007	10.13	275.4	347.7
23509_2493_991019	9.80	88.4	194.5
24010_2493_991123	0.97	232.1	194.5
24160_1107_991203	N/A	N/A	344.6
24346_1107_991216	11.63	244.8	347.7
24783_2493_000116	N/A	N/A	195.1

WASP observed wind data file (\*.tab)

35.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
36.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
37.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
38.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
39.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
40.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1

Save

Report

Directional fit: Local density  
 Wind speed data: wsi files  
 Number of wind sectors: 12  
 Lagrangian time scale (s): 600  
 Boundary-layer mixing height (m): 500  
 Charnock coefficient: 0.015

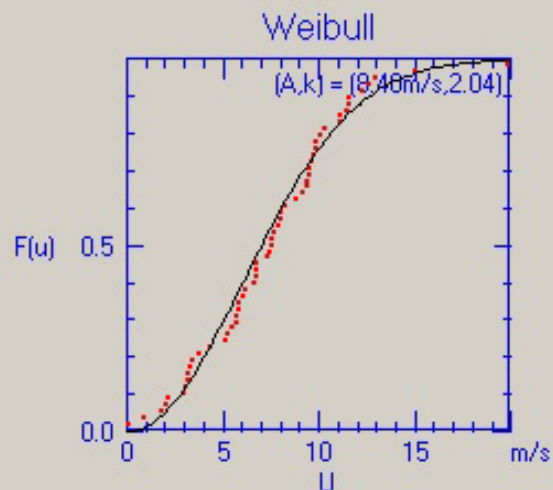
Save Report

Save Graphs

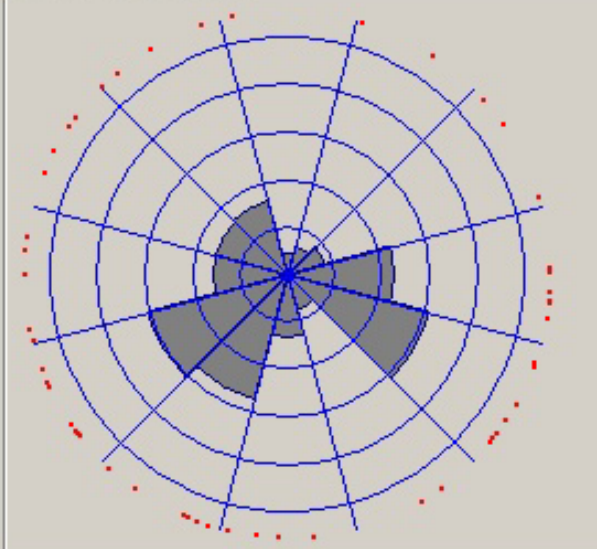
Total windspeed distribution

	Estimate	Uncertainty
Mean wind	7.44	0.72
Energy density	772.70	47.80
Skewness	0.61	13.12
Kurtosis	3.20	1.73
Weibull k	2.04	0.31
Weibull A	8.40	0.84

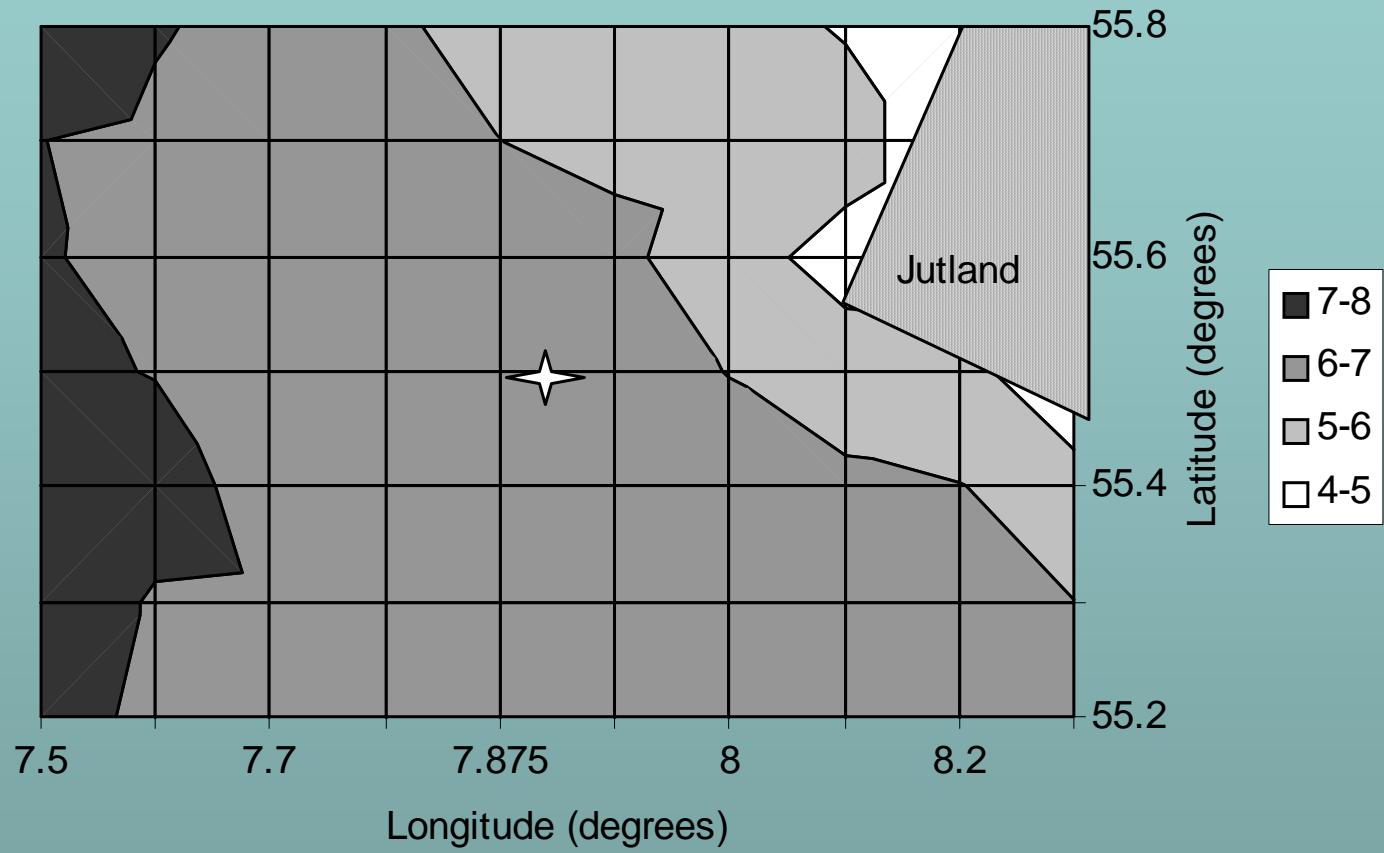
No. of samples 57



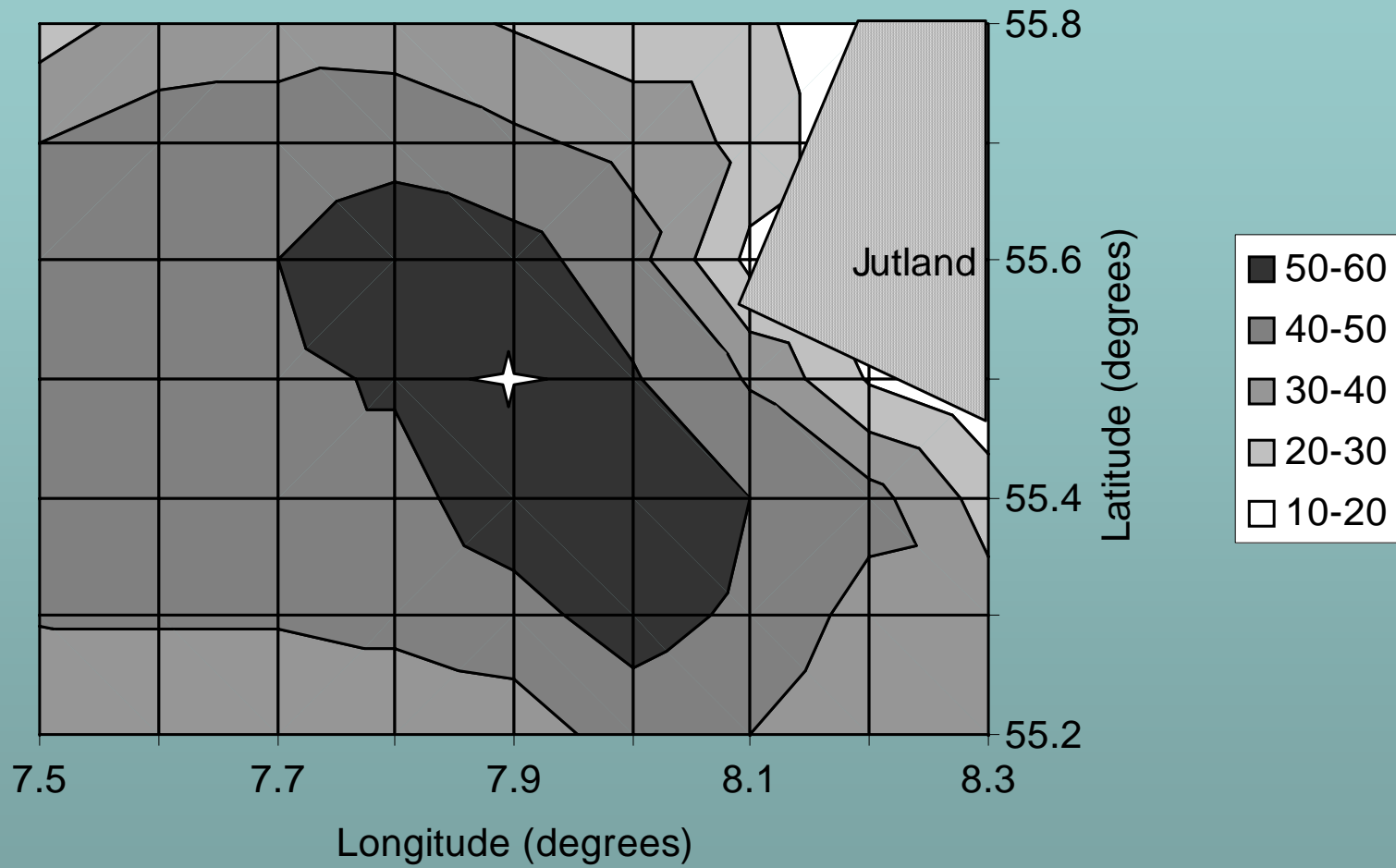
Directional distribution



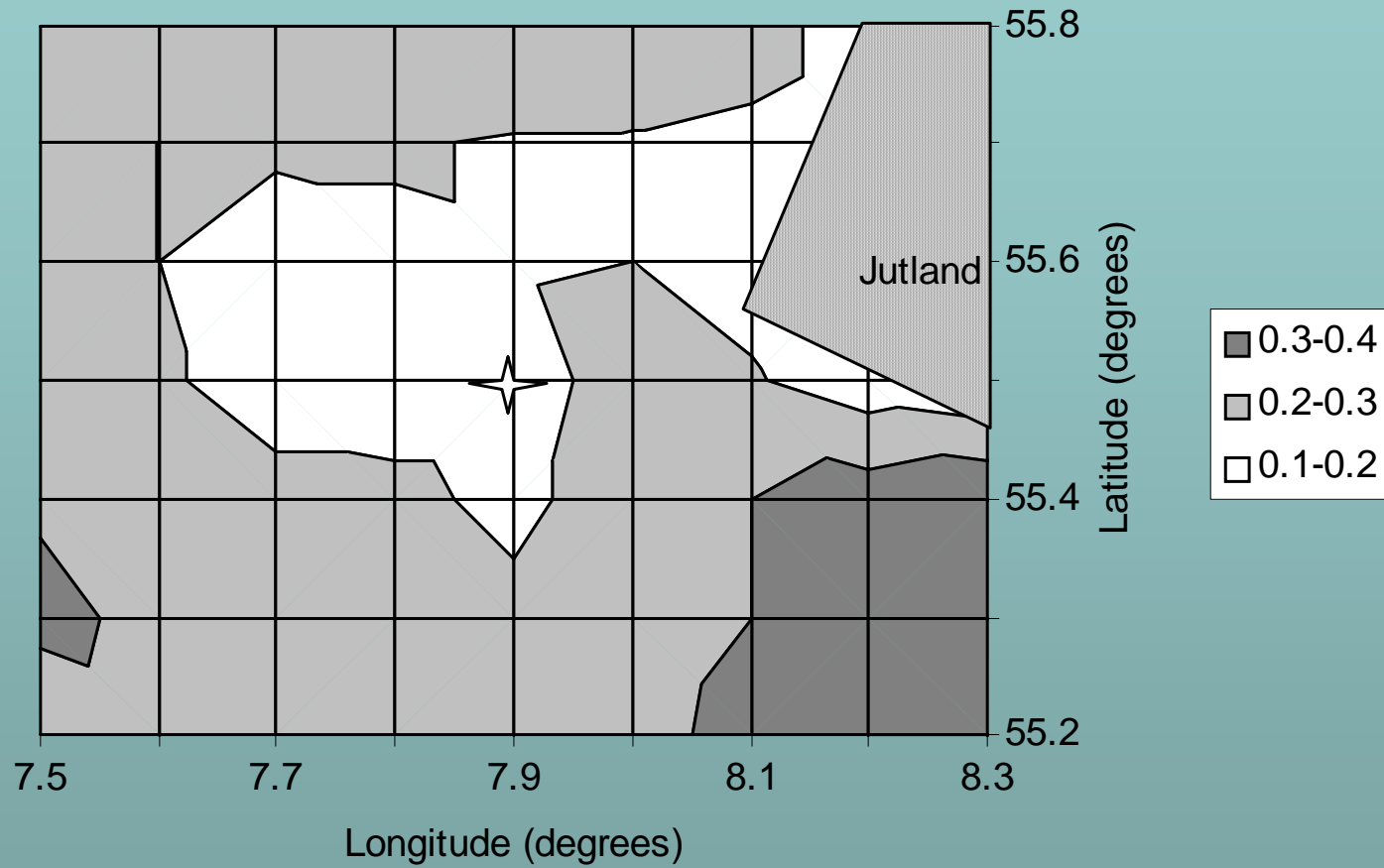
ERS-2 SAR mean wind speed (m/s)

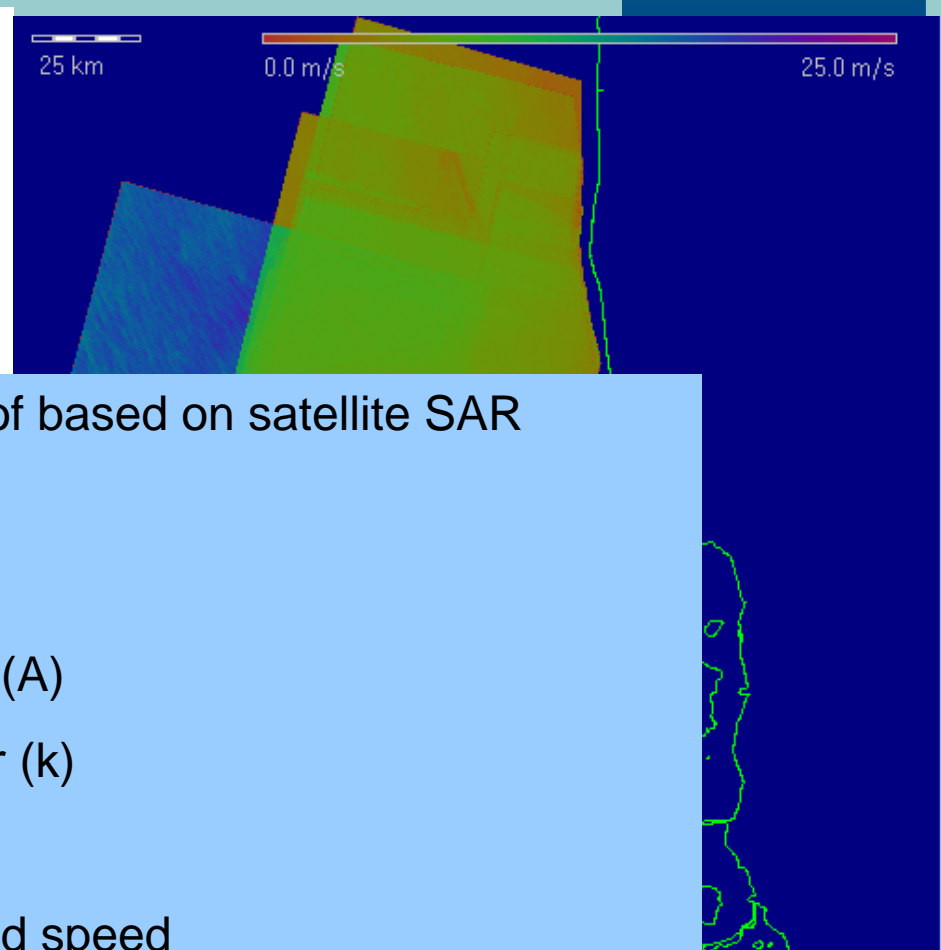
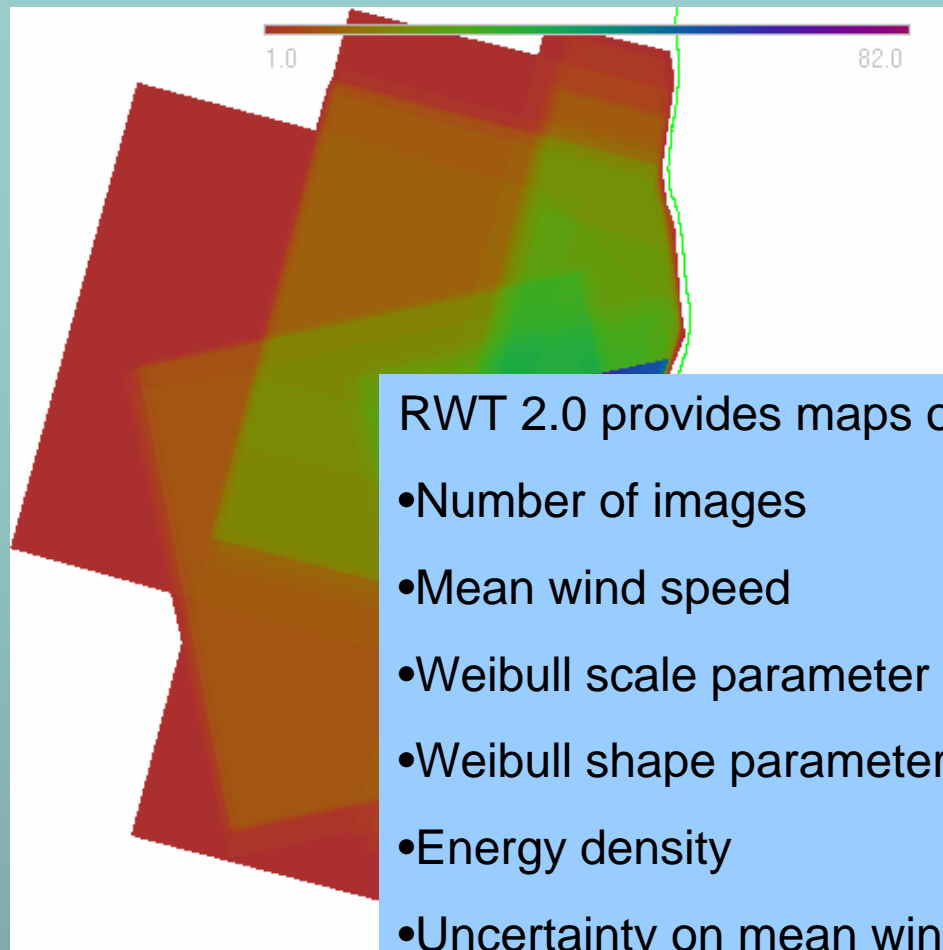


### Number of SAR samples



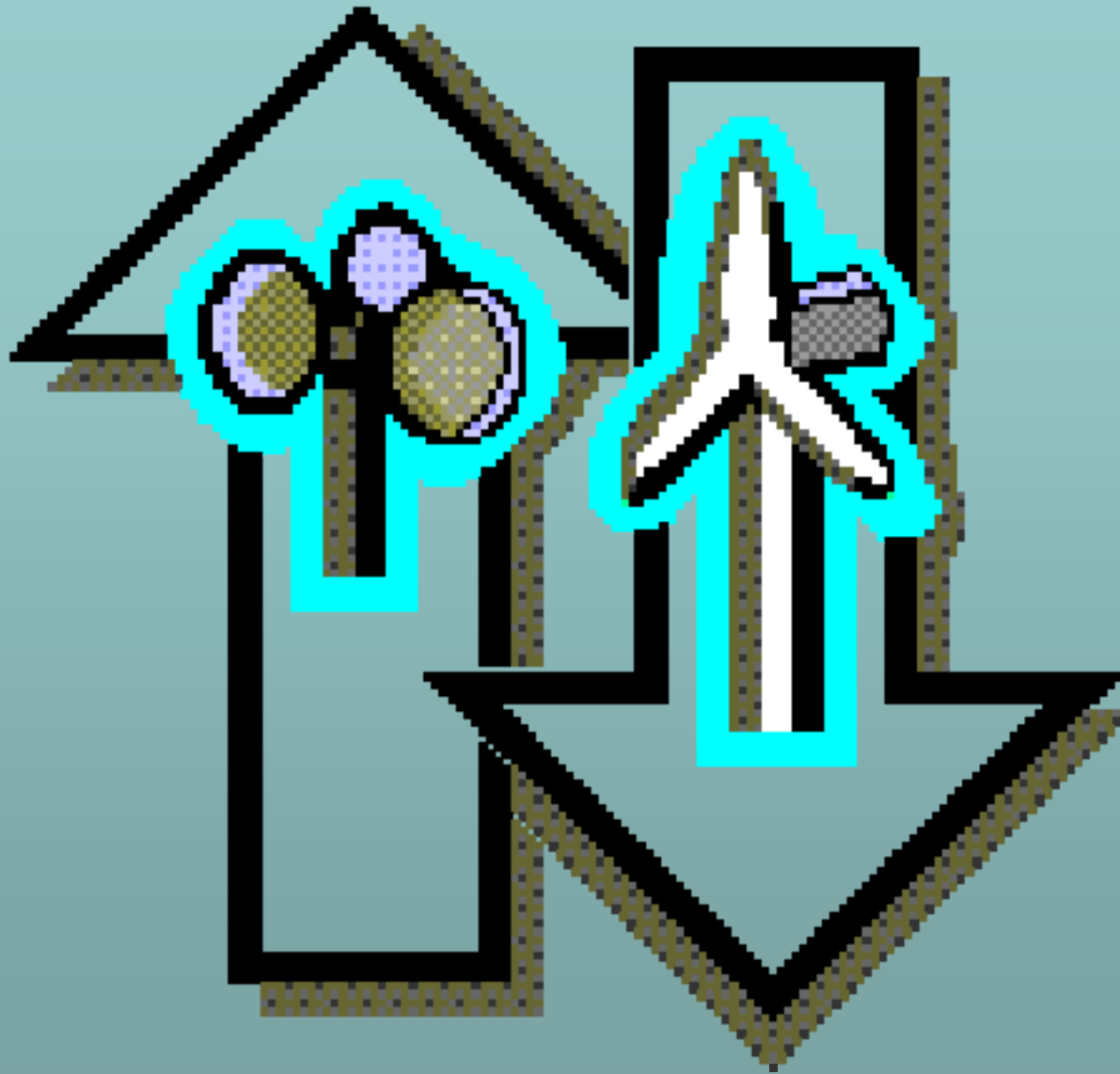
Standard deviation





RWT 2.0 provides maps of based on satellite SAR

- Number of images
- Mean wind speed
- Weibull scale parameter (A)
- Weibull shape parameter (k)
- Energy density
- Uncertainty on mean wind speed
- Uncertainty on energy density
  
- PLUS
- Wind rose
- Tab-file for WA<sup>SP</sup>



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