DEIF Introduction in Lakeside Park

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5% global market share – China, Europe, Brasilia, India

Leading in Retrofit of Control System

>2000 Wind Turbines retrofitted, offerings for Repower Design (Senvion*, Dong Fang*), Vestas*, Suzlon*, Enercon, Nordex, ...

DEIF in Lakeside Park

Global Competence Center for

- Asset Upgrade & Wind Business
- Data & Machine Learning

Focus on Software Development, Business Development, Management



80 5 Pitch angle [deg] 0 Tip speed ratio [-]



 $R_t = f(Power + Loads)$

S_t = Turbine sensory output

e.g. Deep Q-learning Agent

Wind Turbine

Controller & Sensors



Retrofit Focus: Wind Park Owner

We deliver

- New Control Software for Old Wind Turbines
- New Control Systems for Old and New turbines
- Electric Systems
- Analysis & Reporting Services
- Wind Turbine Engineering Services

Maximal benefit for IPP

- 1) Flexible service & maintenance stay free
- 2) Full access to all data you are the owner
- 3) Site Specific Optimizations gain the maximum



"After DEIF retrofit the errors reduced, the turbine runs more optimal and we had the best energy production month ever!" – Suzlon S64 owner in USA

What means +1% AEP (Annual Energy Production)?



The Difference of DEIF in Wind Power



Full Re-engineering of the Wind Turbine!

- Load Calculations,
- Aero-elastic Modelling,
- Control Engineering,
- Data Analysis,
- Lifetime Optimizations,
- Electrical Design,
- Turbine Optimizations & New Functions like De-icing,
- etc. ...

Technology Support Organization – replace OEM





Markets with DEIF Wind / Klagenfurt Installations



Self Learning Wind Controller Research Project with support of FFG and KWF

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1.5 895



Improving Wind Turbine Controls

- Increased performance = increased energy production
- Increased energy production vs. mechanical loads

What we do today:

- Manual tuning and validation per individual turbine
- Resource intensive not economic for bigger fleet

The path to success:

- Enhance data acquisition and cloud processing
- □ Introduce AI based algorithms for self-optimizing controllers
- □ Introduce model based (load) validation
- Have a controller which self-optimizes AEP of individual turbine



Reinforcement learning for Wind turbines



Use Case: Inflow Optimizer

- Automatic detection and calibration of the optimum yaw angle (wind attack position)
 - Usage of change of wind direction due to wind turbulence, no forced yaw maneuvers
 - Analysis of the inflow direction leading to optimal performance
- Optimum position depends on production situation (rotor speed, output power, pitch angle, ...)
 - The calibration is done depending on the turbine operation point (wind speed binning with intervals of 0.5m/s). The result of that analysis is the "Nacelle Transfer Funcion".
 - The Nacelle Transfer function can be computed in dependency of wind speed, rotational speed, output power or other variables (depending on turbine type).
- Calibration is done independendly for every wind sensor. This way sensor failure and sudden sensor offset are covered.
- Possible performance increase ~2%
- Explored as part of a Master Thesis Project by our AAU intern Nataša Rašeta

Analysis of Optimum Inflow Direction per Wind Speed Interval:





Potential for Cooperation

Market Intelligence, Market Approach

- Energy Markets Globally
- Renewables

Technology – Knowledge Exchange

- AI / self optimizing systems
- Software platforms
- Cloud / Data services

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