

# Turbulence characterization from a forward-looking nacelle lidar

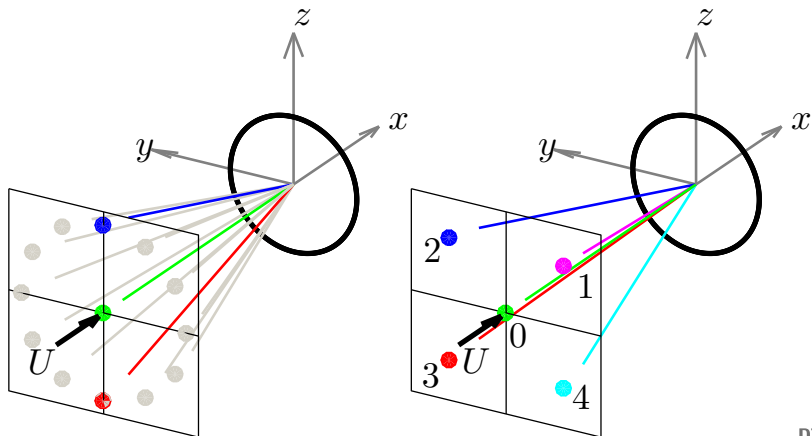
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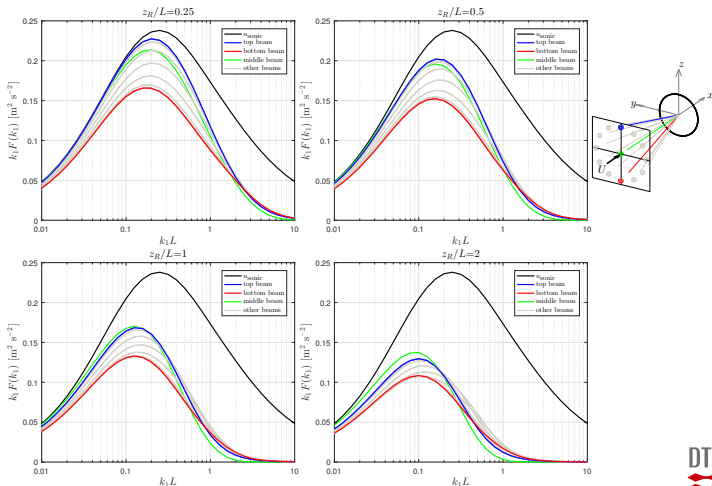
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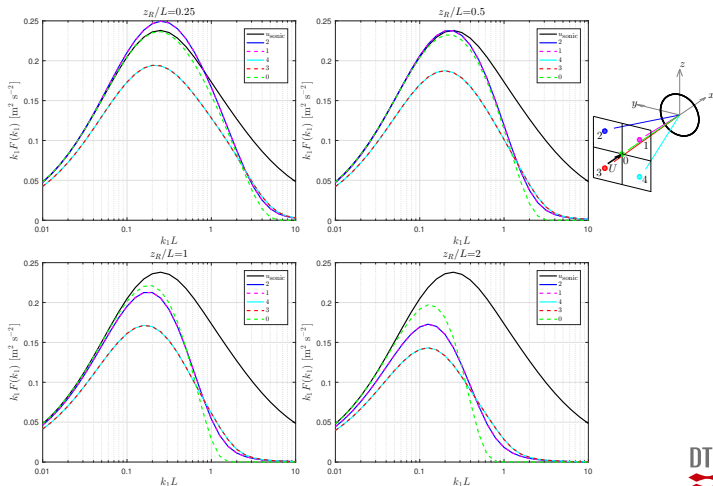
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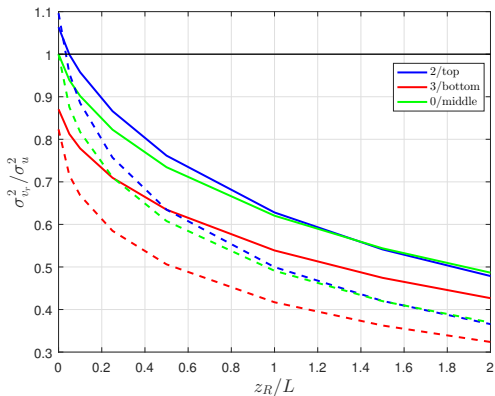


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# M1: For $\Gamma = 3$ , $\varphi = 15^\circ$

pulsed lidar in solid lines and CW lidar in dashed lines



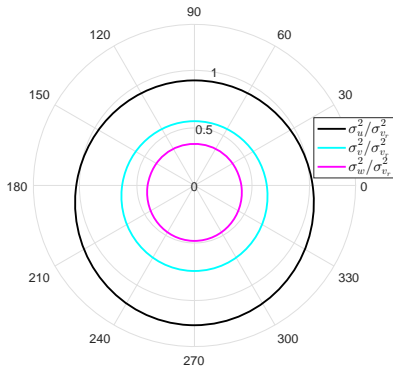


## M2: Doppler spectra info, $z_R/L = 0$ (no filtering), no turbulence model, unfiltered $\sigma_{v_r}^2$

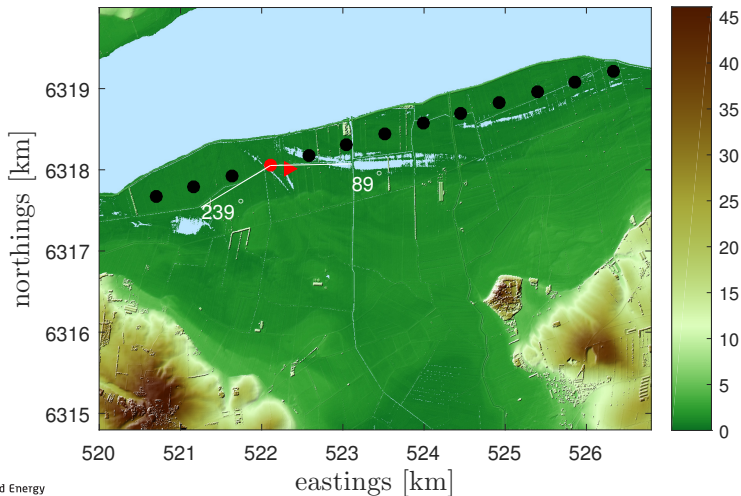
Assuming homogeneous turbulence within the rotor area:

$$\sigma_{v_r}^2(\theta) =$$

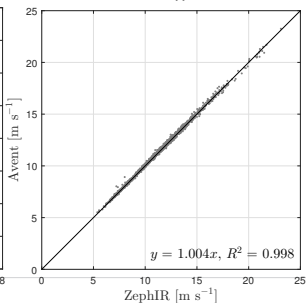
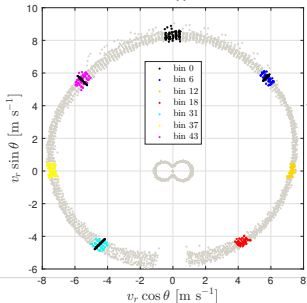
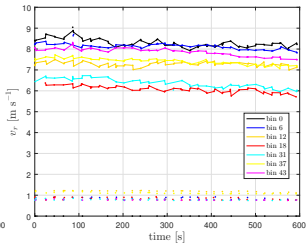
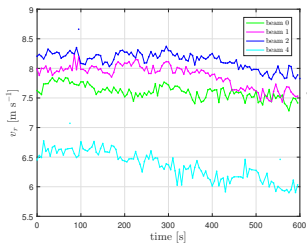
$$\sigma_u^2 \cos^2 \varphi + \sigma_v^2 \sin^2 \varphi \cos^2 \theta + \sigma_w^2 \sin^2 \varphi \sin^2 \theta - 2\overline{u'w'} \cos \varphi \sin \varphi \sin \theta$$



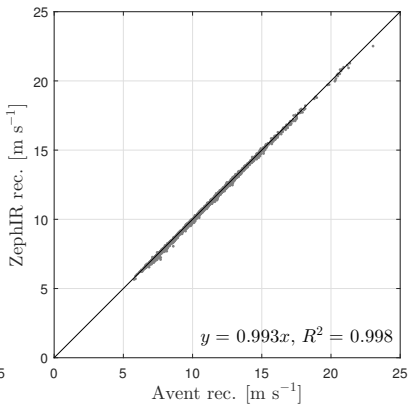
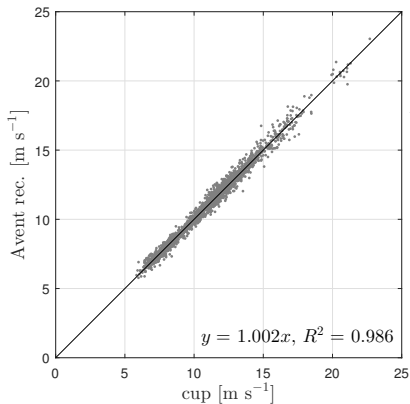
# Nørrekær Enge wind farm



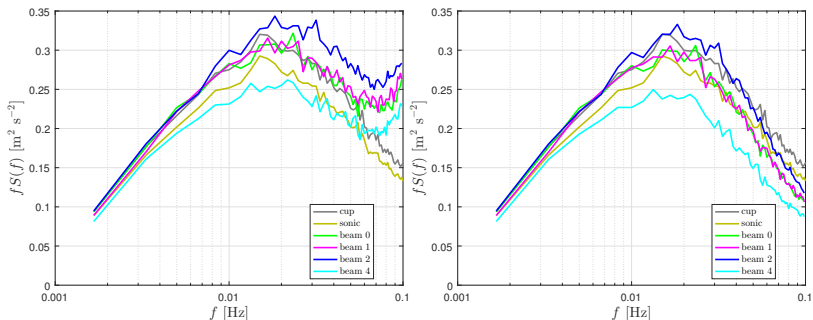
# 10-min time-series examples



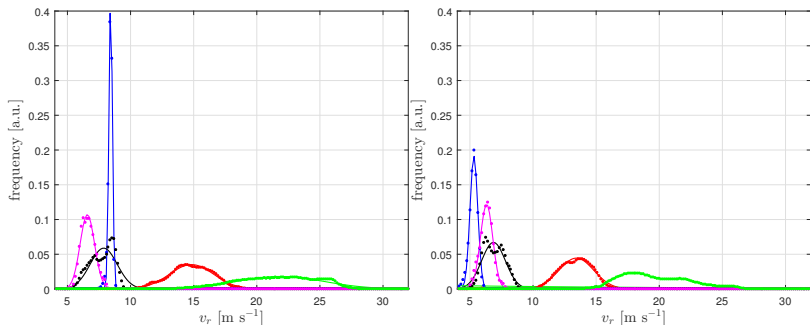
# Wind reconstruction (for spectra and 18-s filtered variance analysis)



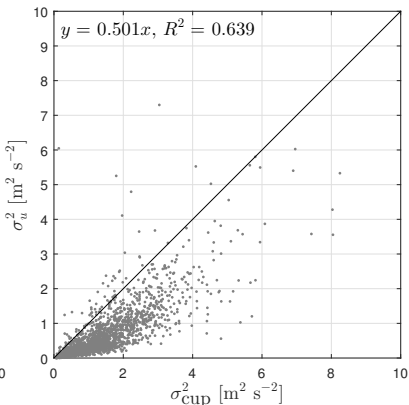
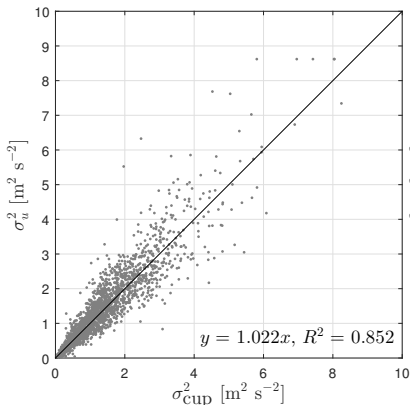
## raw vs. noise-filtered velocity spectra (for M2)



## M2: $\sigma_{v_r, unf}^2$ Doppler spectra: bin 0 (left) and bin 31 (right)



## M2: Unfiltered vs 18-s based filtered variances



$$\sigma_{v_r}^2(\theta) = \sigma_u^2 \cos^2 \varphi + \sigma_v^2 \sin^2 \varphi \cos^2 \theta + \sigma_w^2 \sin^2 \varphi \sin^2 \theta - 2\langle u'w' \rangle \cos \varphi \sin \varphi \sin \theta$$

## Stability and wind speed ranges

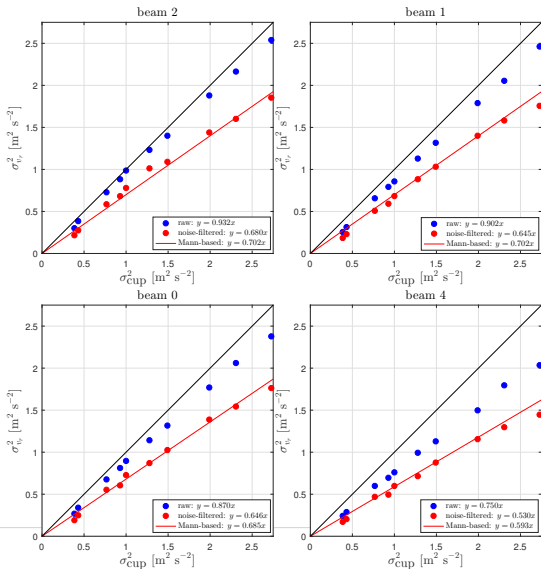
class	$z/L_0$	no. of 10-min samples	$\langle z/L_0 \rangle$	$\langle U \rangle$ [m s <sup>-1</sup> ]	$\langle u_* \rangle$ [m s <sup>-1</sup> ]
stability 1	-0.1-0.1	225	0.0625	12.75	0.68
stability 2	0.1-0.2	629	0.1489	12.54	0.61
stability 3	0.2-0.3	350	0.2435	11.34	0.48
stability 4	0.3-0.4	225	0.3475	10.71	0.42
stability 5	0.4-0.5	153	0.4457	10.02	0.35

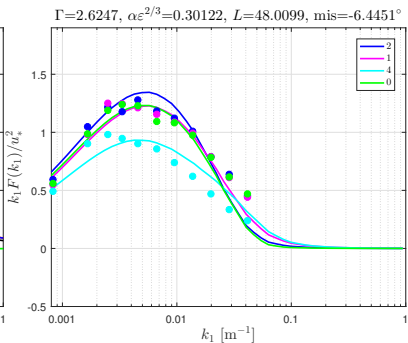
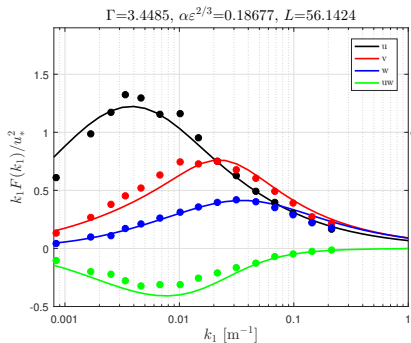
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speed 1	5-7	93	6.65	0.5084	0.21
speed 2	7-9	516	7.98	0.7196	0.23
speed 3	9-11	506	10.07	0.3684	0.37
speed 4	11-13	741	11.94	0.2133	0.52
speed 5	13-15	278	13.82	0.1402	0.64



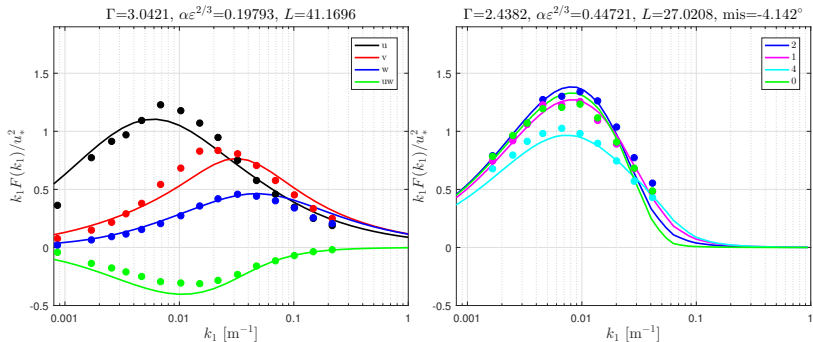
# M1: Atmospheric stability and wind speed ranges



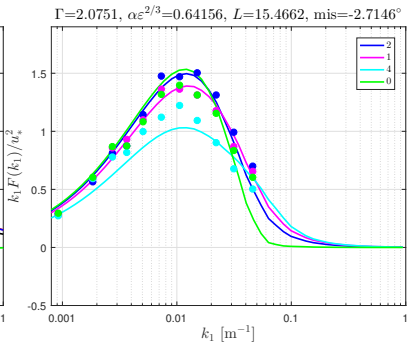
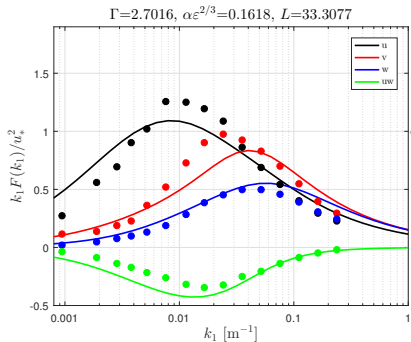
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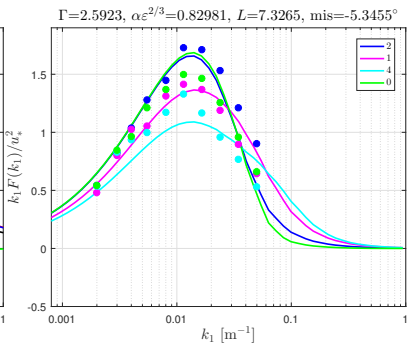
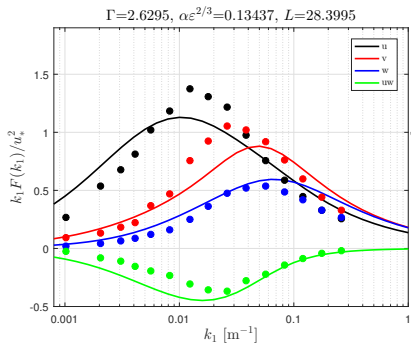
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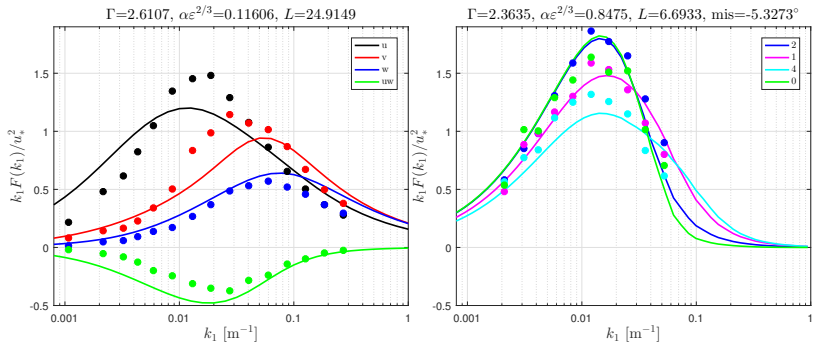
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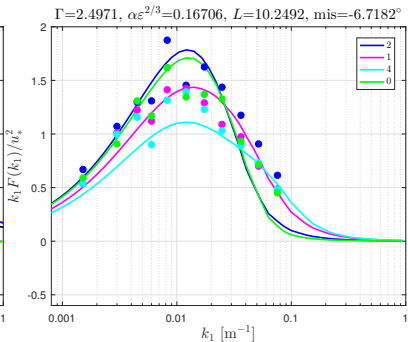
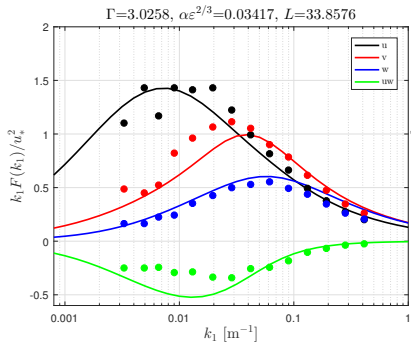
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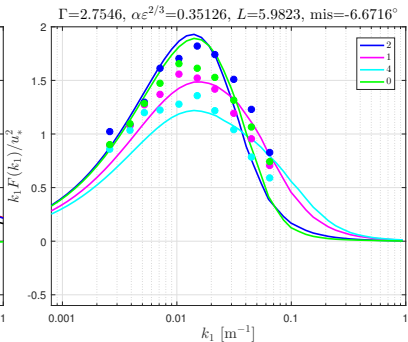
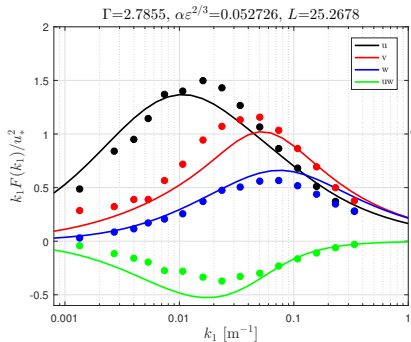
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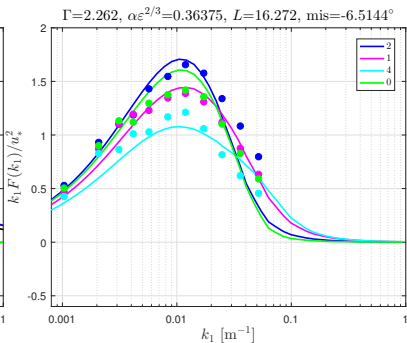
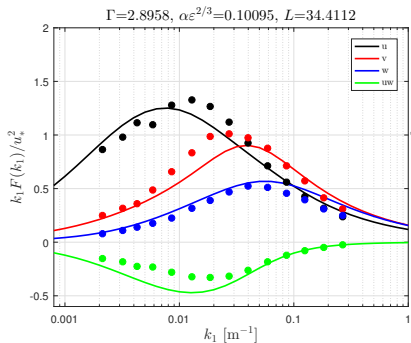


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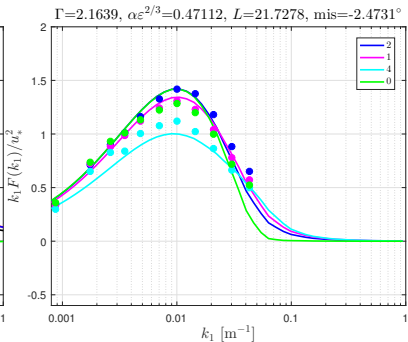
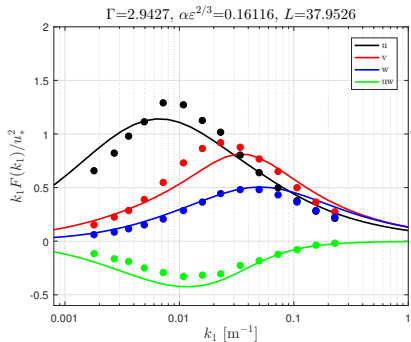




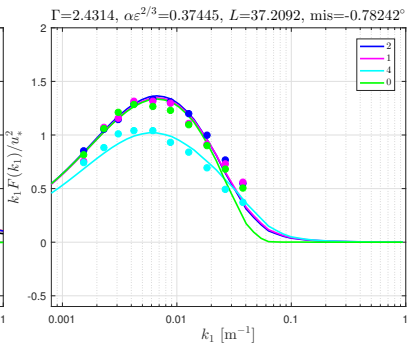
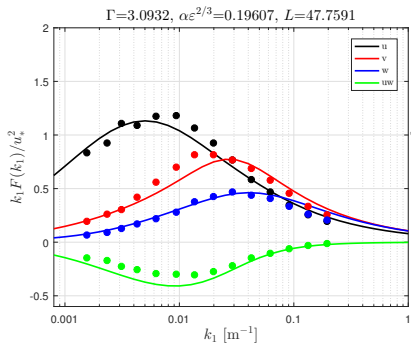
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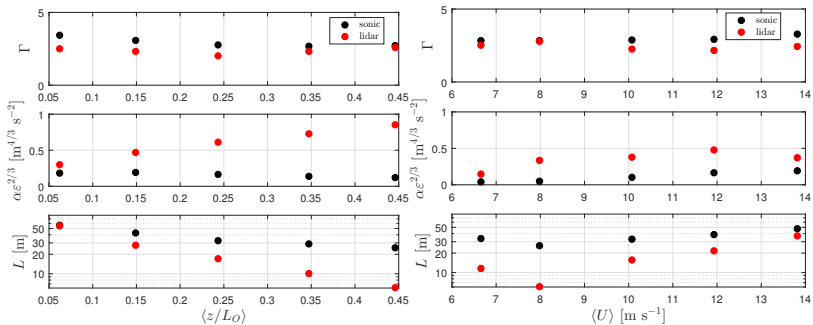
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# M1: Speed 5



# M1: Mann parameters behaviour



## Conclusions

- Using the 10-min Doppler LOS spectrum, we are able to derive unfiltered  $\sigma_{v_r}^2$
- Comparison with cup reveals 2% bias for  $\sigma_u^2$
- Variances from noise-filtered lidar LOS spectra are well predicted by the Mann and spatial averaging lidar models
- Mann parameters derived from lidar LOS spectra agree with those from a sonic under high wind and neutral conditions
- For other conditions, this could be better done by increasing cone angle

# Thank you for the attention!

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More details in: Peña A., Mann J. and Dimitrov N. (2017):  
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