

Multi-Static X Band Radar

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Talk Overview

- Triad and Wind, Vortex and Turbulence technology
- Multi-Static Wind Radar Concept
- Clear Air Turbulence
- Radar Equation for Volume Scattering
- Signal processing
- Experimental Results
- Summary
- Commercial system

Triad and Wind Measurements

About Triad

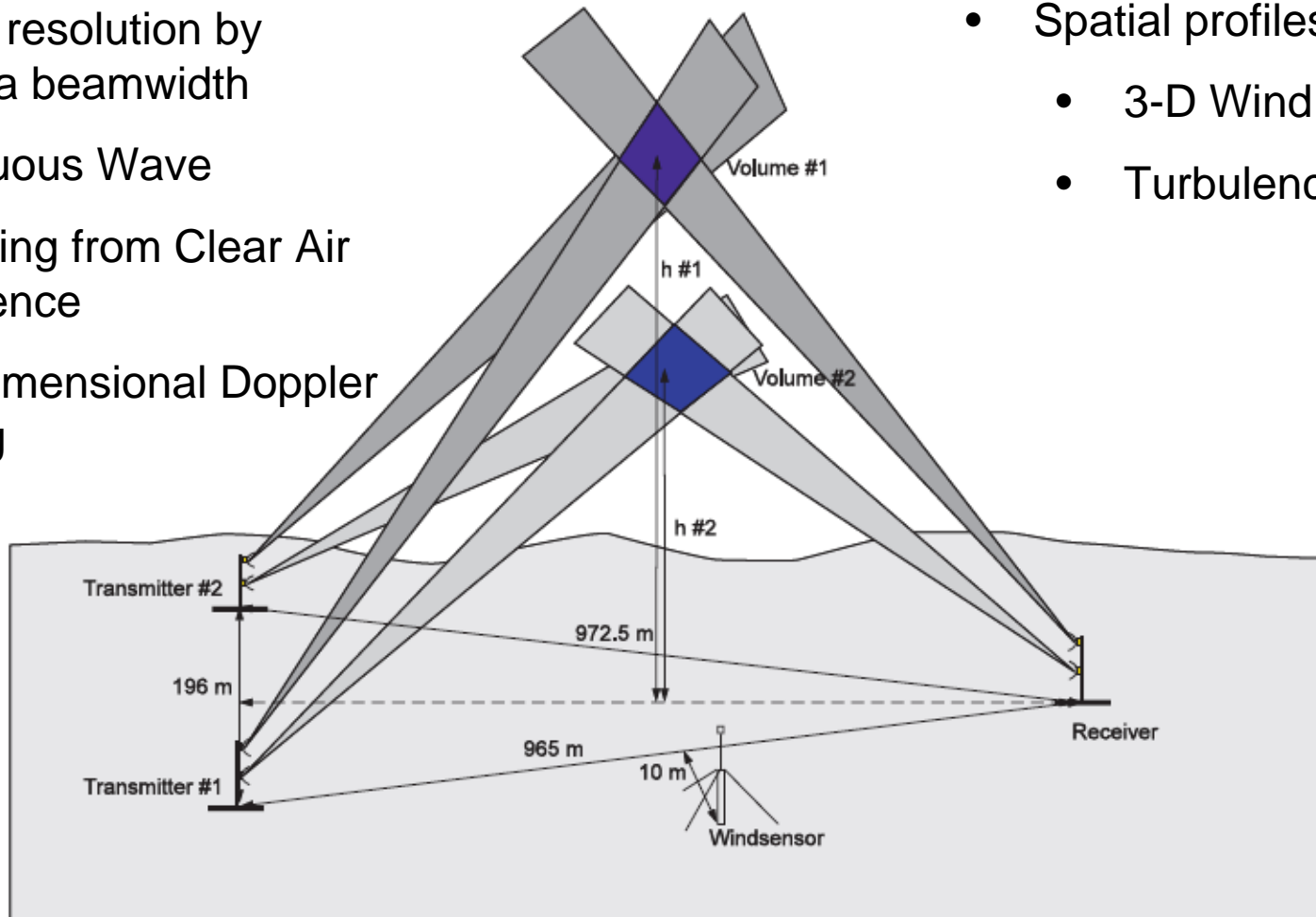
- Established in 1986 as a spin-off from the Norwegian Program for Environmental Remote Sensing (**PFM**)
- Intention: Create, develop and improve remote sensing technology
- Main focus on Radar technology
- Large efforts used on characterization and classification of targets and geophysical phenomena
- Some focus on Sonar, Optical and Seismic technology

Work on Wind and Vortex by PFM, TRIAD and SUSAR.

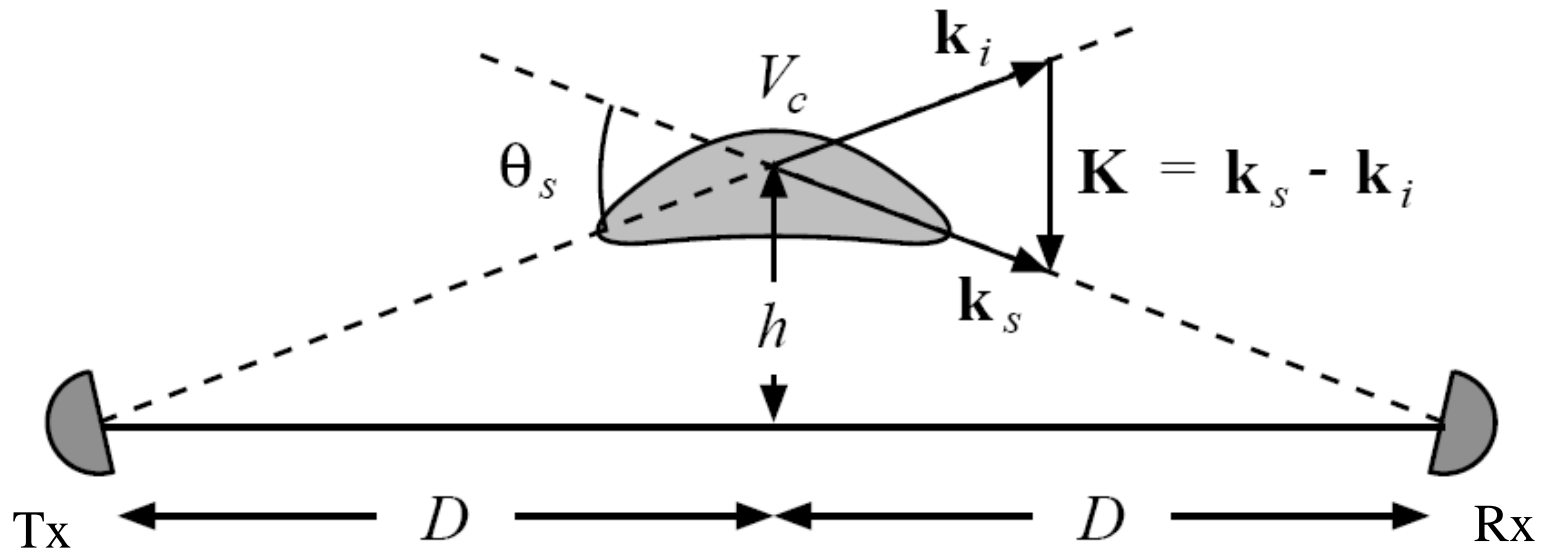
- **1980's Initial work**
 - Theoretical work with radar and radio acoustic methods
 - Initial experimental work
 - Initiated work at **APL** (89 - 95)
- **1990s Prototyping and testing**
 - Multi-Static Wind Radar
 - Radio-Acoustic technology
 - Several Trials
 - Software development
 - Patenting
 - Civil Aviation Authorities (UK).
 - Norwegian Aviation Authorities
- **2000s Hibernation**
 - Upgrade of the radio acoustic hardware
- **2010s Commercialization**
 - Commercialization targeting Airport, Meteorology and Wind Energy

Multistatic Wind Radar Concept

- Several bi-static channels
- Spatial resolution by antenna beamwidth
- Continuous Wave
- Scattering from Clear Air Turbulence
- Multi-dimensional Doppler Tracing
- Vortex
- Spatial profiles of
 - 3-D Wind
 - Turbulence intensity



The Bi-Static Channel



- Scattering wavenumber depends on frequency and geometry
- Scattering wavenumber can be tuned both in direction and magnitude

$$K = 2k \sin(\theta_s/2)$$

$$k = \frac{\omega}{c} = \frac{2\pi f}{c} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

Turbulence

Boundary layer turbulence

- Refractive index turbulence
- Mechanical turbulence

Turbulent Energy input

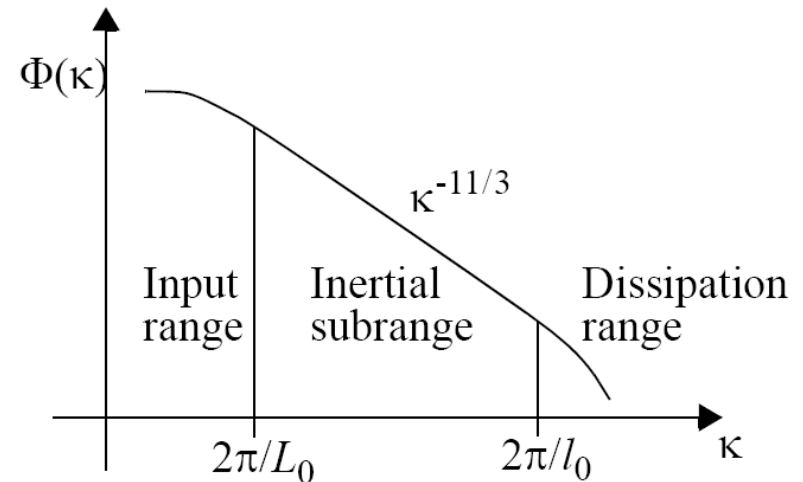
- buoyancy effects
- wind shears
- transport phenomena
- heating
- drag/friction

Turbulent Energy output/loss

- buoyancy effects
- wind shears
- transport phenomena
- viscous dissipation

ASSUMPTIONS

1. Komolgorov spectrum



2. Taylor "Frozen Flow"

The turbulent eddy does not change dramatically when moving a distance comparable with its scale

Bi-Static Radar Equation

Volume Scattering:

$$\frac{P_r}{P_t} = \frac{\lambda^2 G_t G_r}{(4\pi)^2 R_1^2 R_2^2} \sigma_V(K) V_c$$

Volume Approximation:

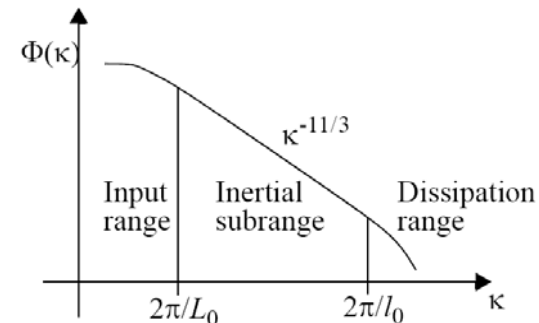
$$V_c = 0,853 \frac{R^3 \beta^3}{\sin \theta_s}$$

Bragg Scattering:

$$\sigma_V(K) = 2\pi k^4 \sin^2 \chi \Phi_n(K)$$

Turbulence Spectrum:

$$\Phi(K) = 0,033 C^2 K^{-11/3}$$

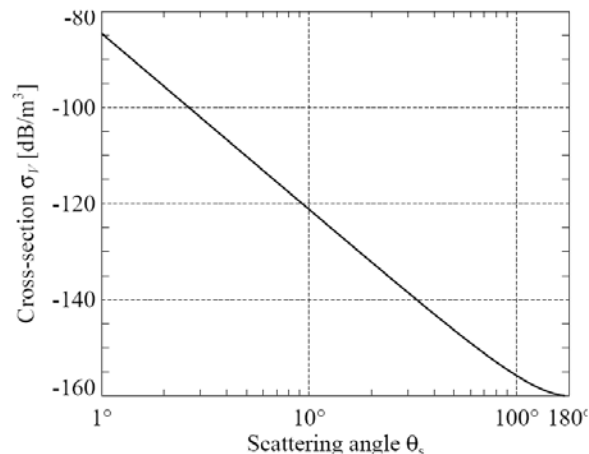


The Bi-Static Radar Equation

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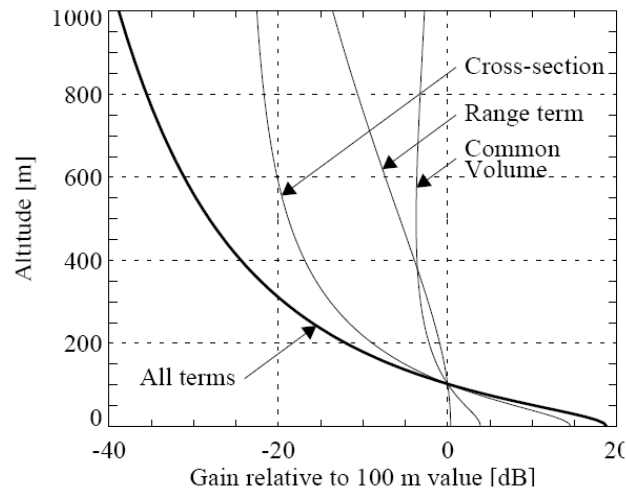
- Directional
- Strong in the forward direction
- 40 dB Gain vs Backscatter



Gain vs Height:

Influenced by

1. Geometry
2. Wavenumber
3. Antennas

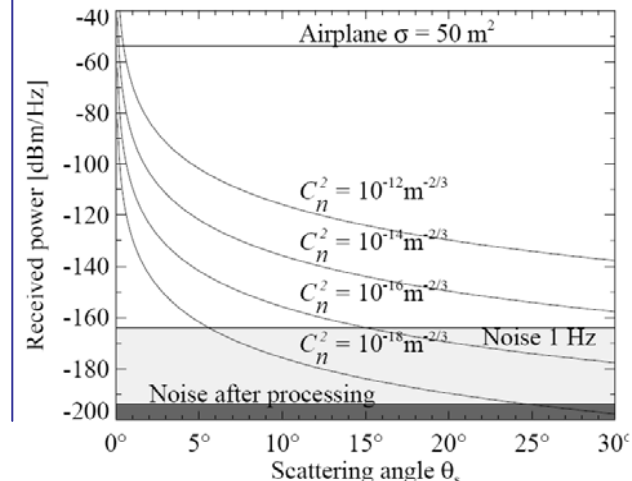


Structure Constant

$$\Phi(K) = 0,033 C^2 K^{-11/3}$$

Related to the variance

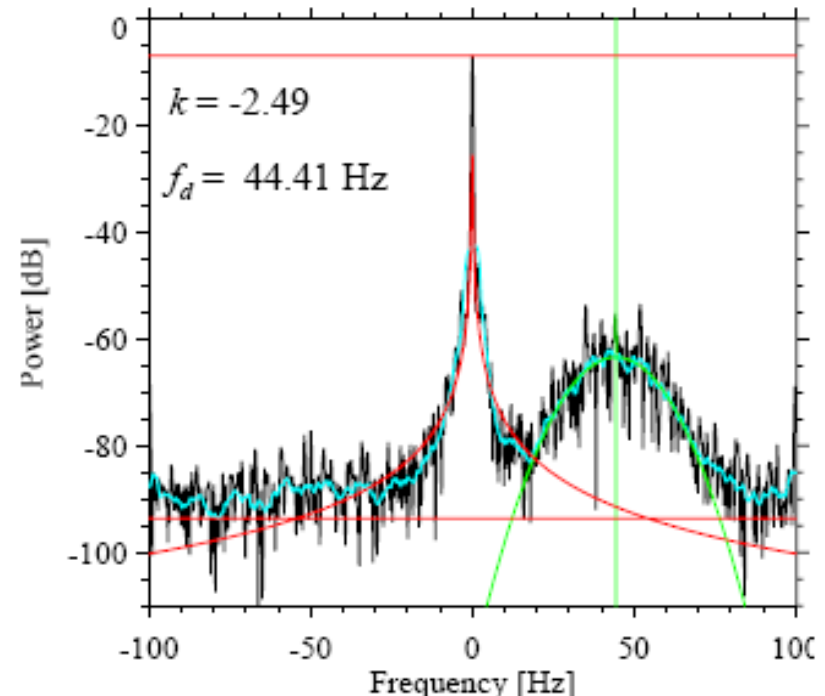
Determines the strenght of the scattering



Doppler Extraction

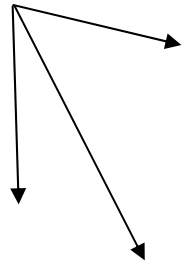
Parametric estimation

- Black: Spectrum
- Cyan: Smoothed spectrum
- Green: Gaussian parameter fitting routine
- Red: Fitted to DC Shape, DC level and Noise
- Dopplershift extracted
- Doppler widening extracted
- Converted to 1-D velocity using the scattering wavenumber



$$u = \frac{2\pi}{K} f_d = \frac{2\pi \cdot 44 \text{ Hz}}{137 \text{ m}^{-1}} = 2,0 \text{ m/s}$$

3-D Wind



Necessety:

Three bistatic channels with linearly independent scattering wavenumber vectors (ex 1 Transmitter and 3 receivers)

Doppler shifts are defined as : $b_i \equiv \mathbf{K}_i \cdot \mathbf{v} \quad i = \{1, 2, 3\}$

A 3-D Doppler shifts vector : $\mathbf{b} = (b_1, b_2, b_3)$

$$\mathbf{b} = T\mathbf{v}$$

$T = [\mathbf{K}_1, \mathbf{K}_2, \mathbf{K}_3]^T$ Wavenumber vectors

$\mathbf{v} = (v_x, v_y, v_z)$ Cartesian Wind coordinates

The Vector \mathbf{v} is then found as: $\mathbf{v} = T^{-1}\mathbf{b}$

Measurements outside of Oslo

2 Transmitters

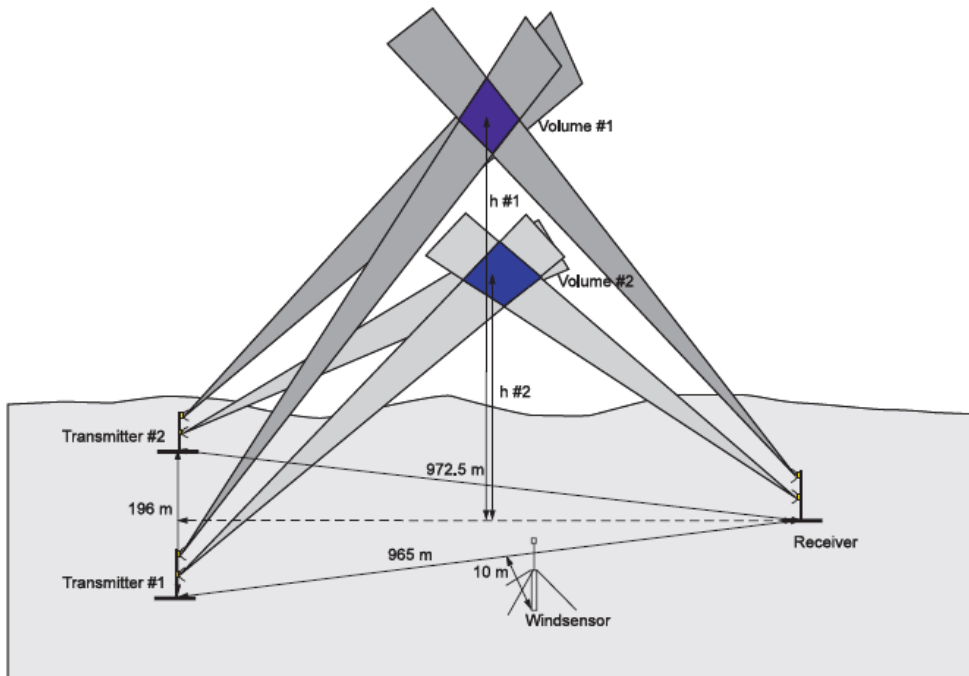
CW Power 1-10 Watts

4 receivers

10.5 GHz Carrier Frequency

90 cm Parabolic Antenna

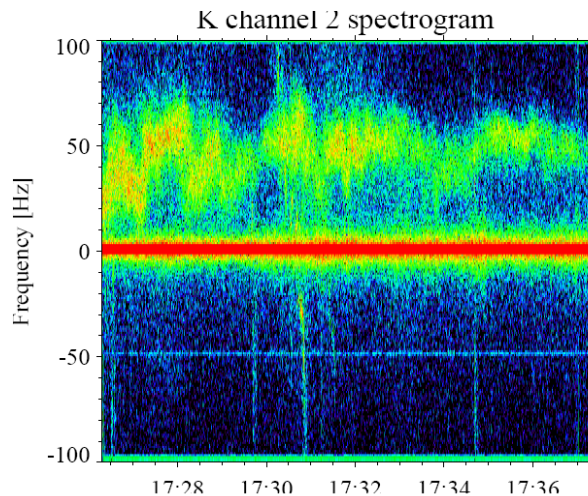
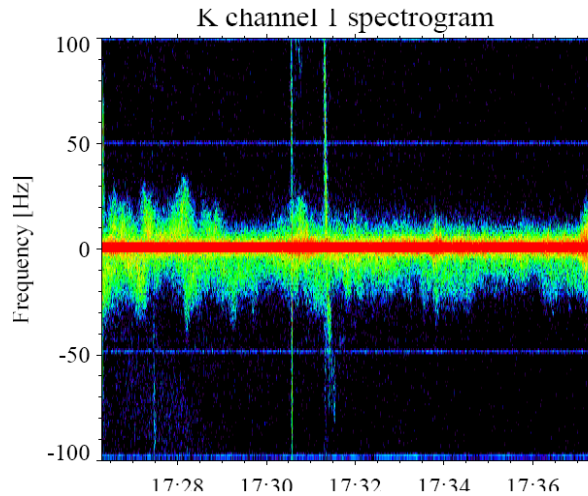
2.1 degrees beamwidth



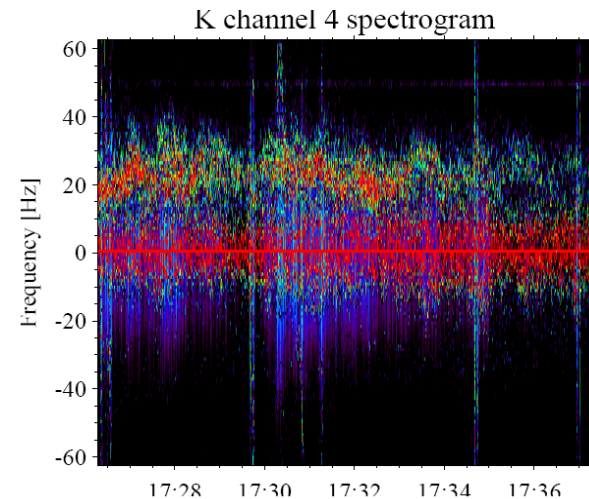
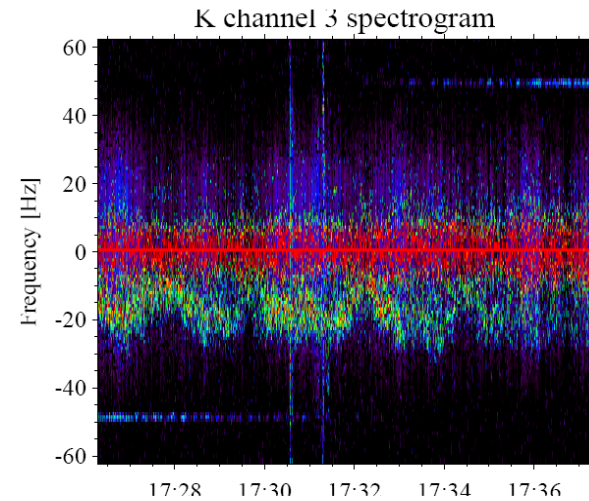
Mode	Common volumes	Purpose
1	50 m and 150 m	2D wind at two altitudes
2	50 m and 1000 m	2D wind at 50 m, test of high altitude
3	50 m and 400 m	2D wind at 50 m, test of high altitude
4	Variable	Altitude dependencies
5	None	Direct transmission test

2-D Wind Raw Data

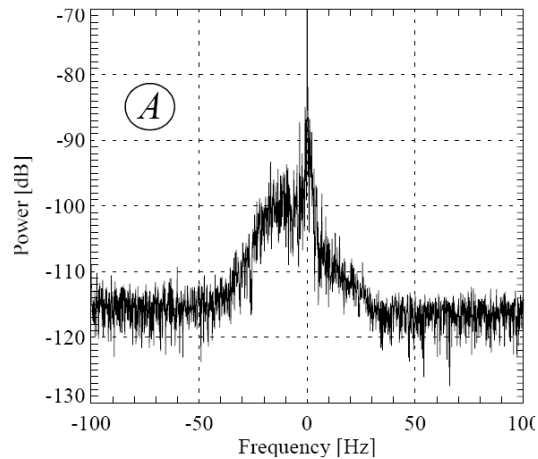
150 M



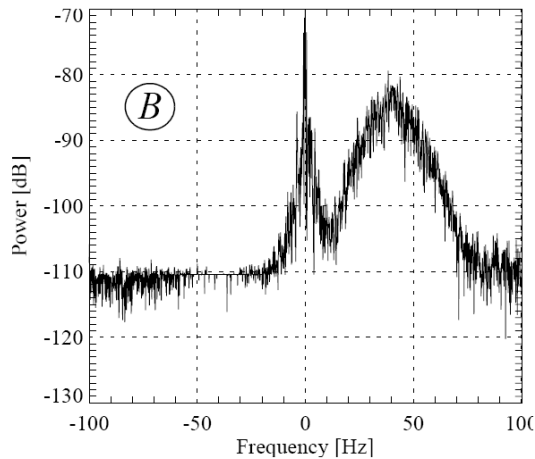
50 M



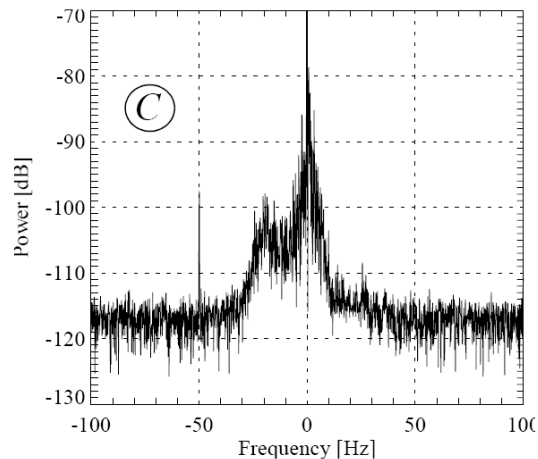
2-D Wind Spectrums



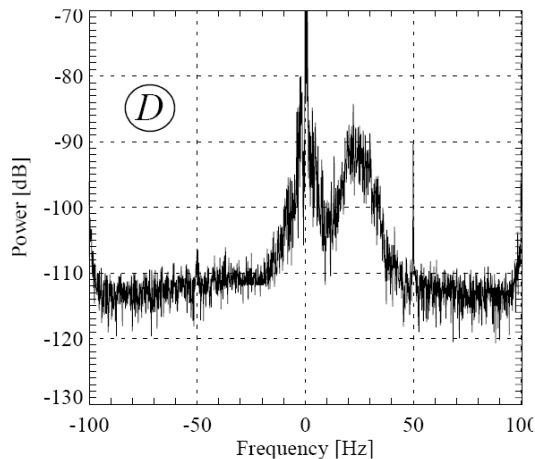
A: 150 m, Ch1, Tx1



B: 150 m, Ch2, Tx2



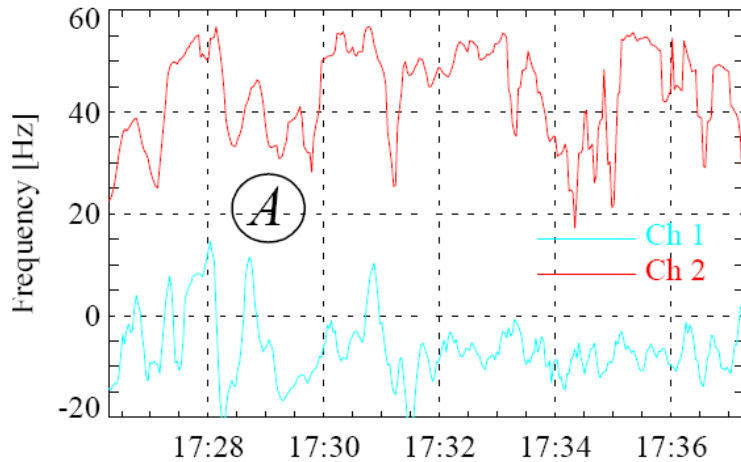
C: 50 m, Ch3, Tx1



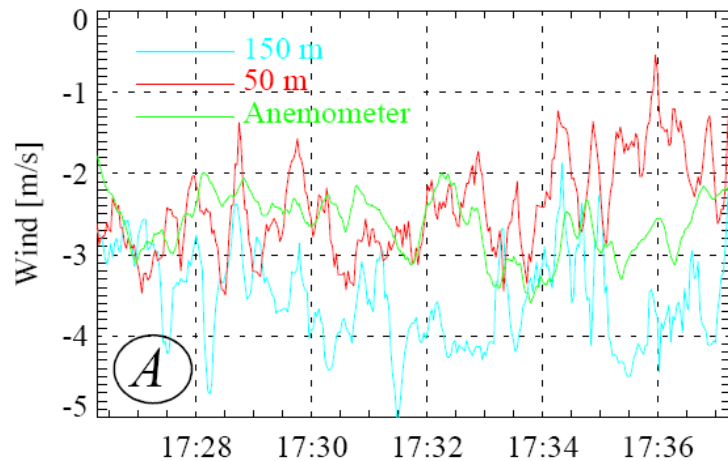
D: 50 m, Ch4, Tx2

2-D wind processed data

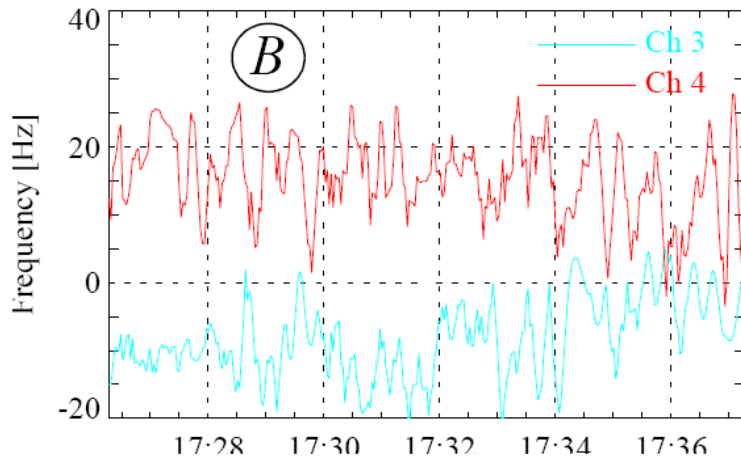
Doppler 150 m



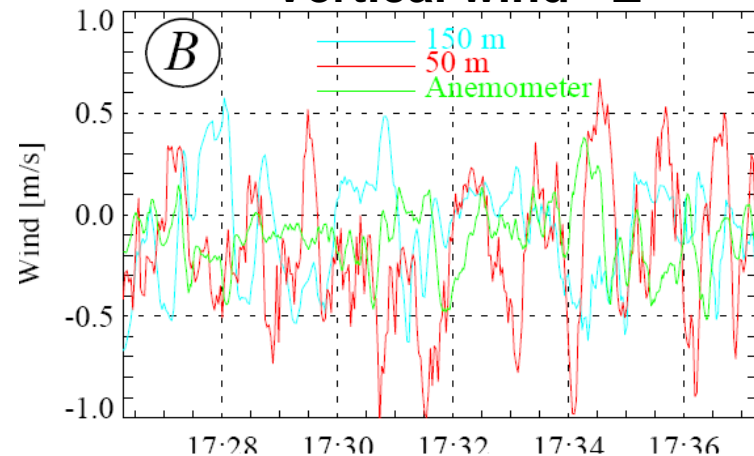
Horizontal Wind - X



Doppler 50 m

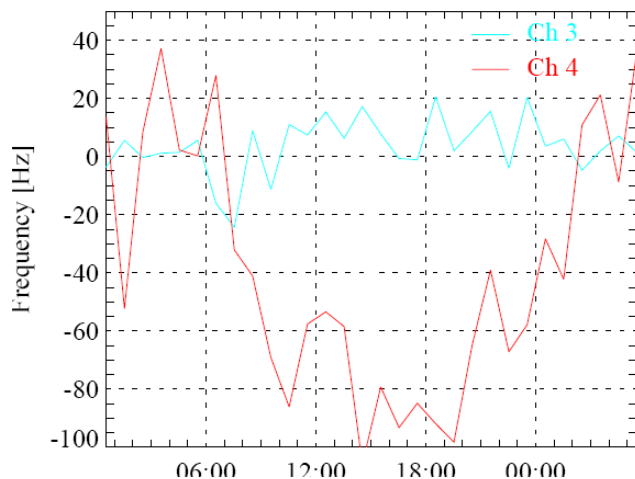


Vertical wind - Z

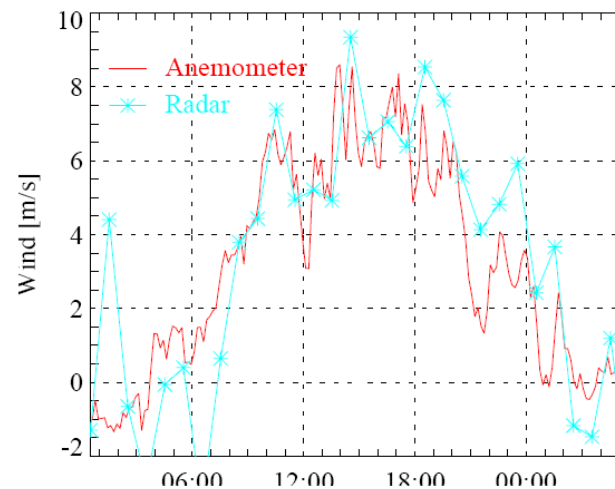


Horizontal wind During 1 Day

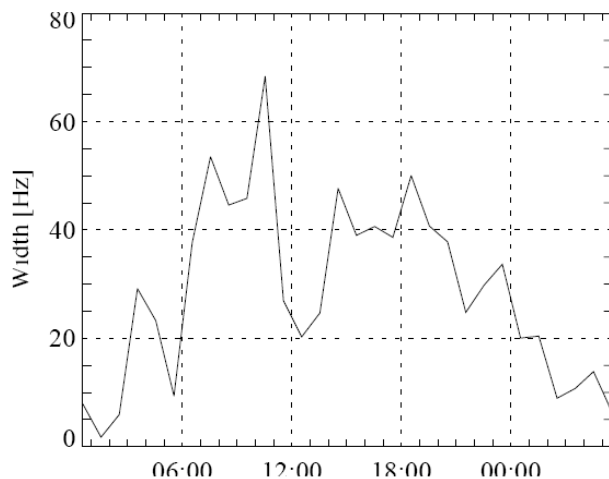
Doppler Shifts 50 m



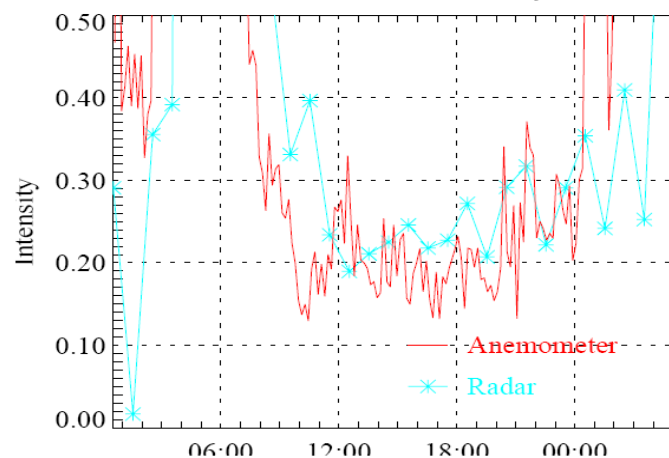
Wind Speed 50 m



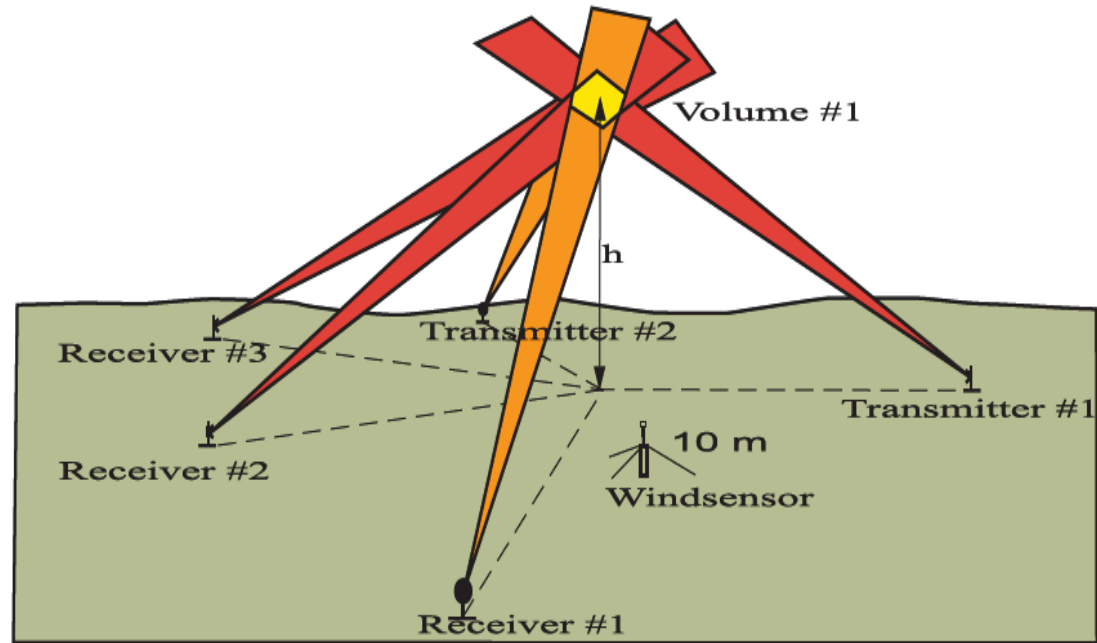
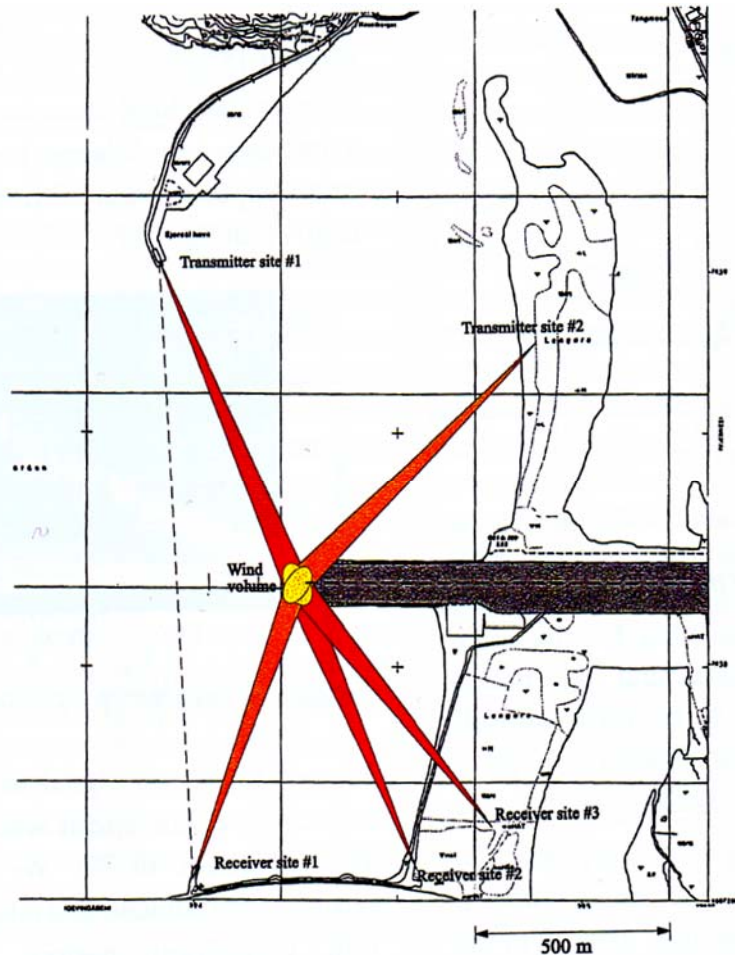
Doppler Widening 50 m



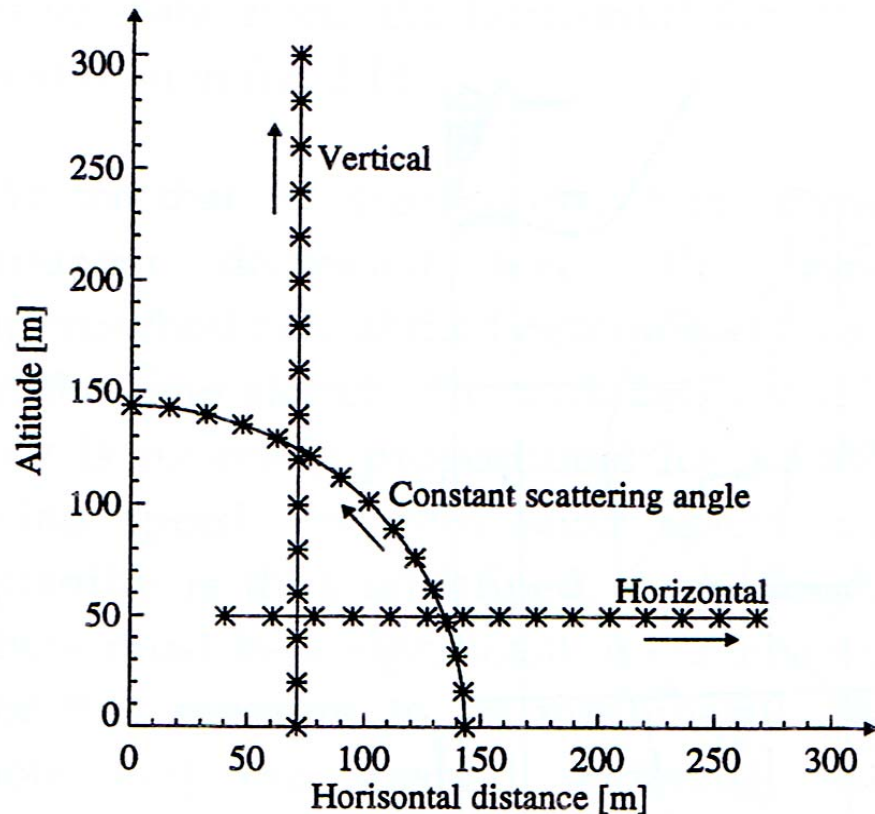
Turbulence Intensity 50m



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Beam swinging experiment



Vertical scan:

Altitude profiles of Doppler velocity and structure parameter

Horizontal scan:

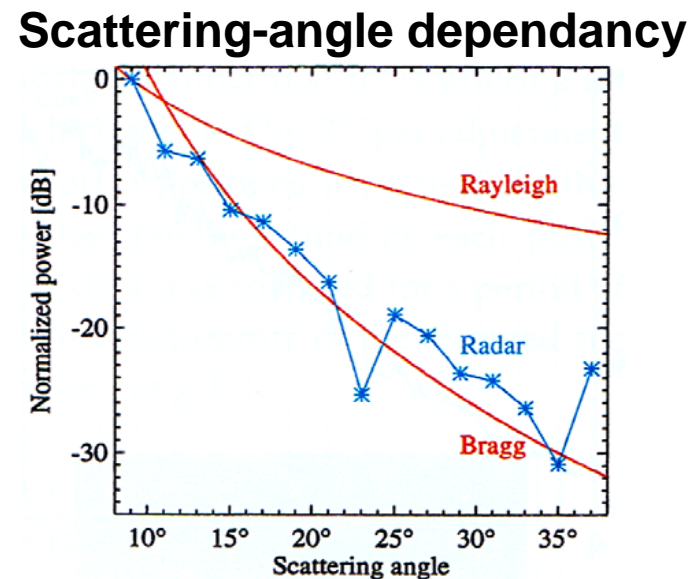
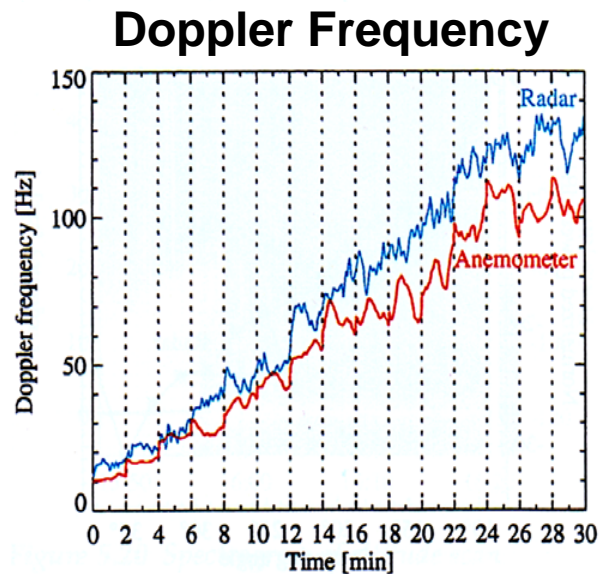
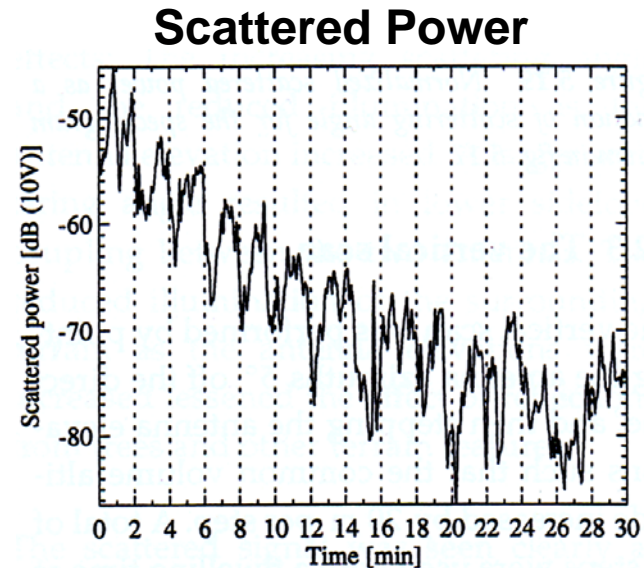
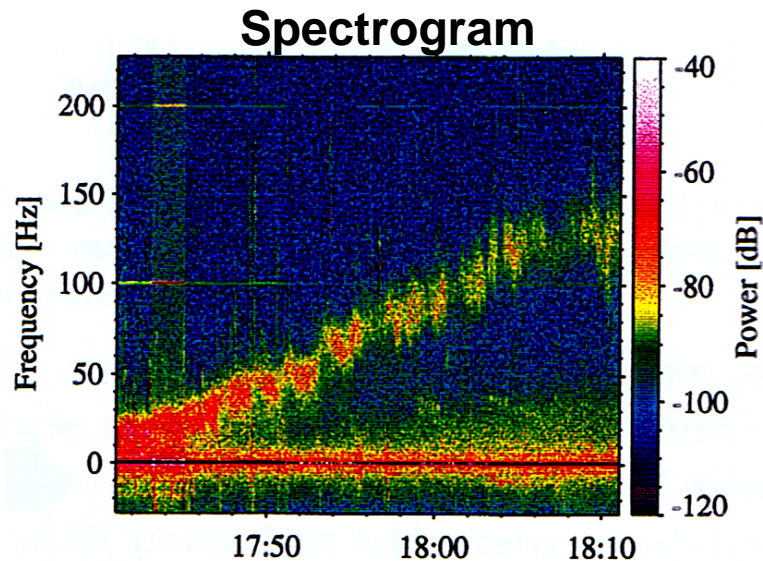
For Homogeneous conditions to test scattering angle dependency

Constant scattering-angle scan:

Remove influence of Geometrical factors

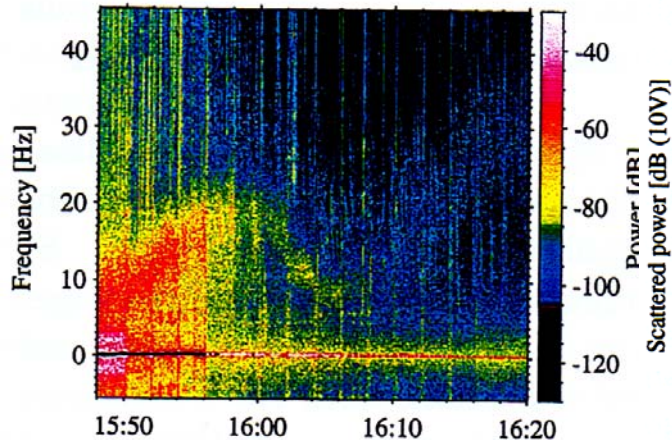
Demonstate Coverage

Horizontal Scan

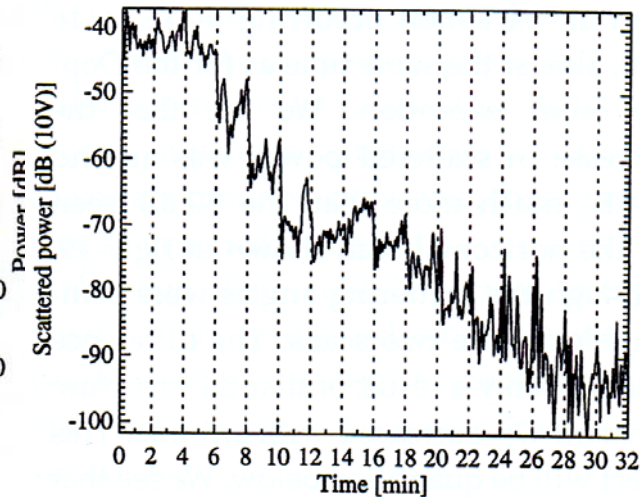


Vertical Scan

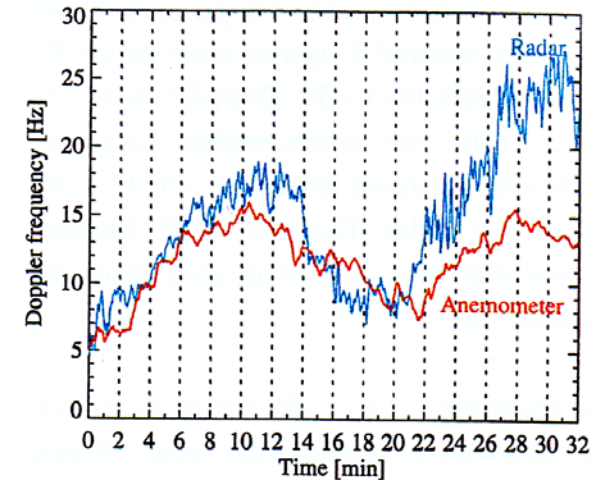
Spectrogram



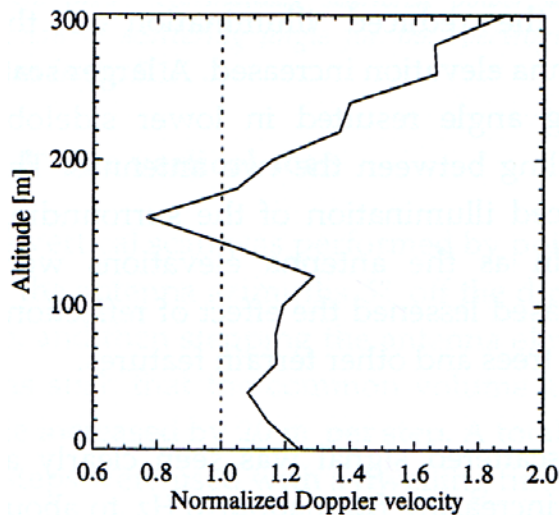
Scattered Power



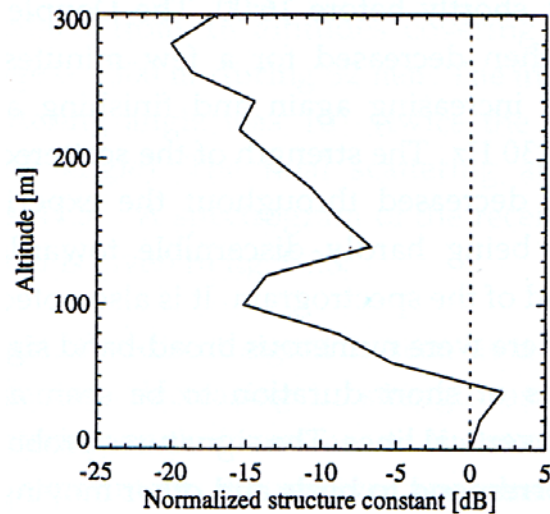
Doppler Frequency



Doppler - Altitude



Structure Constant

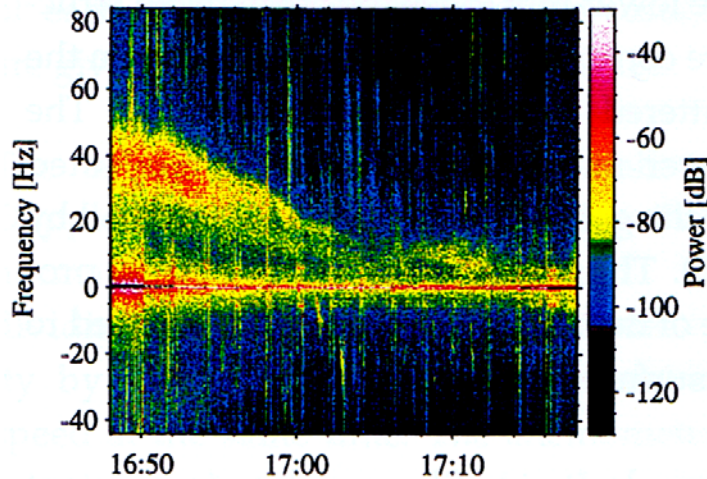


Shear layer (140 m)

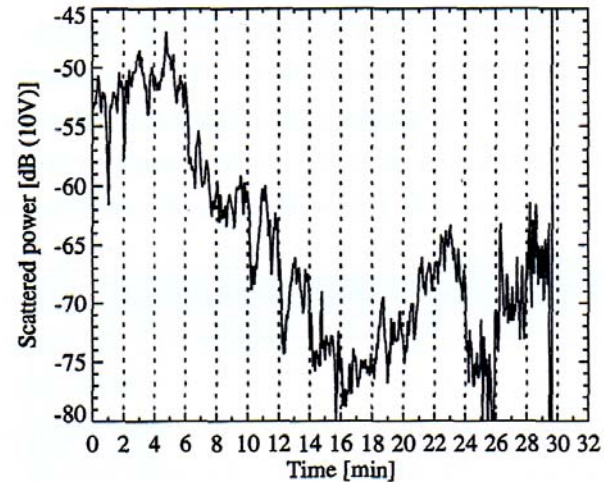
Surface layer (0-50m)

Constant Scattering-angle Scan

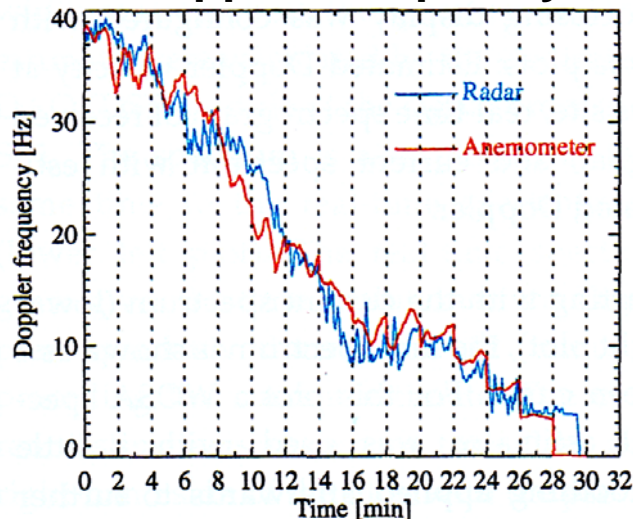
Spectrogram



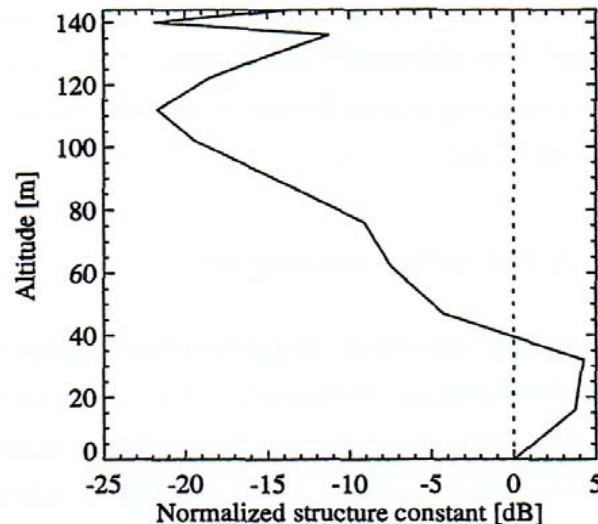
Scattered Power



Doppler Frequency



Structure Constant



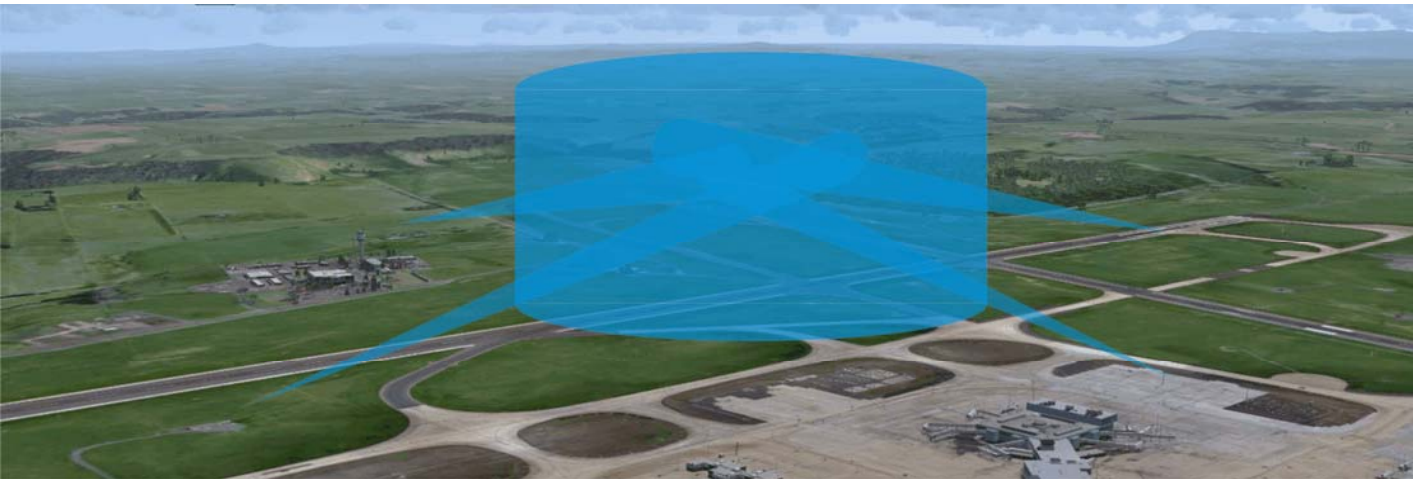
Shear layer (140 m)

Surface layer (0-40m)

Multistatic summary

- Measurement of Wind, Vortex and Meteorological parameters
- Strong directivity of scattering from turbulence (Bragg)
- Forward Scattering is 40 dB Stronger at 10 degrees compared to backscattering
- Higher SNR - Higher Confidence – Lower Power
- Low altitude and high spatial resolution are possible
- Coupling to larger scales using higher frequencies (with narrow beamwidth)
- Time resolution in the order of seconds or better
- Simultaneous wind measurement in the same volume
- Scattering angle and scattering wavenumber can be varied

Commercial system



Surveillance in a volume that is 300x300 meter

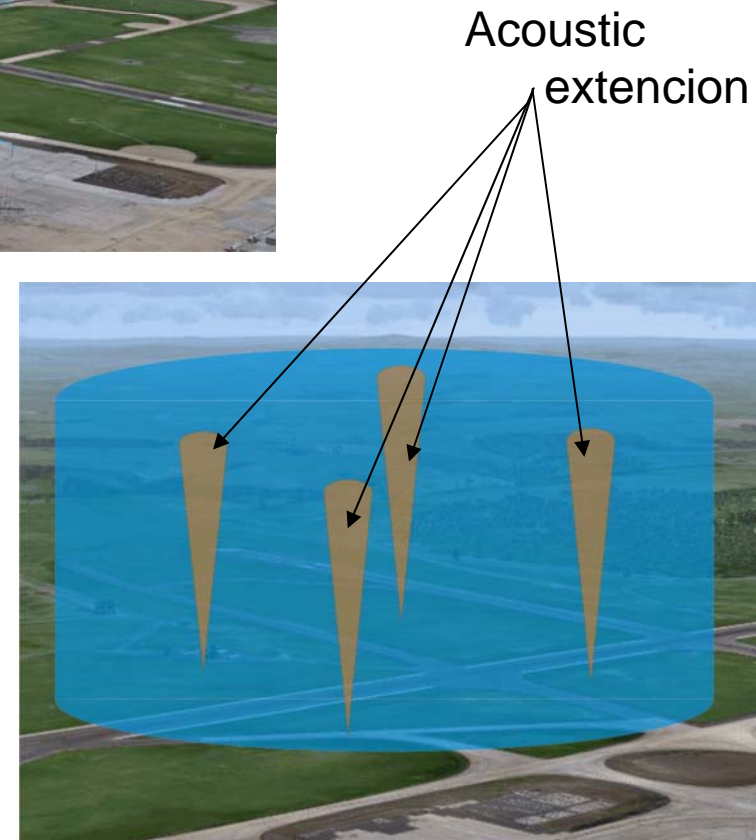
X-Band

Phased array antennas

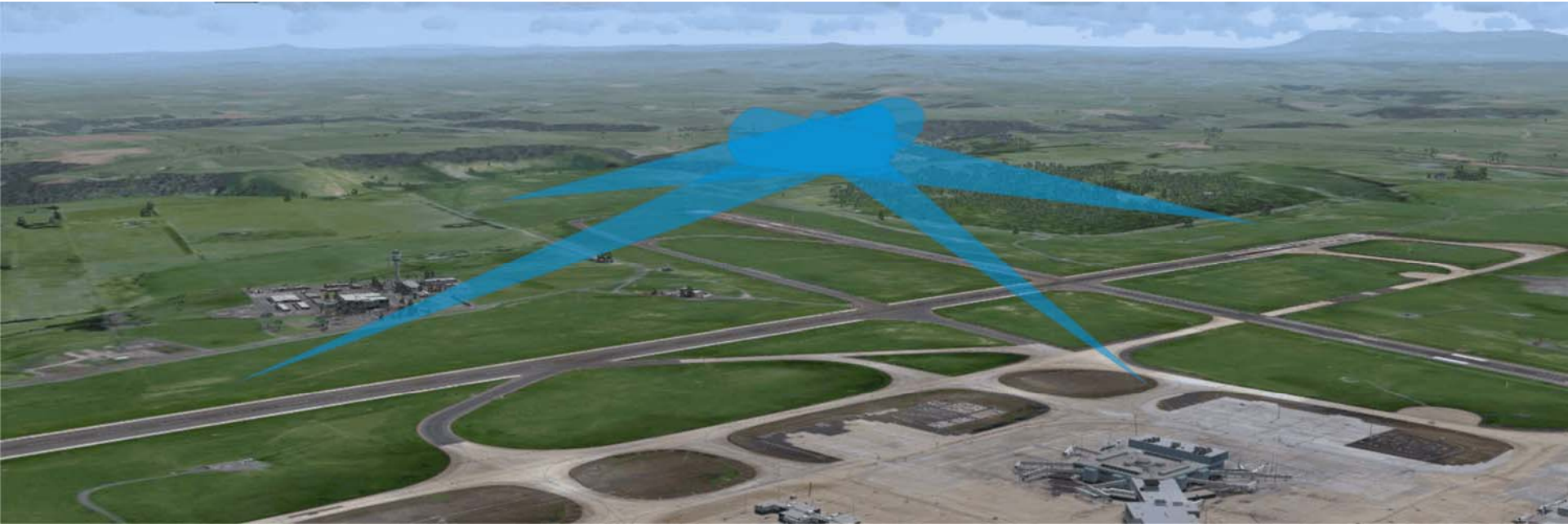
Can utilize both forward and backscatter

3-D wind and Wake Vortex

Airport and Wind Energy



The End



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