



# From icing loss to production loss -

a comprehensive comparison of today's tools

(in Sweden)

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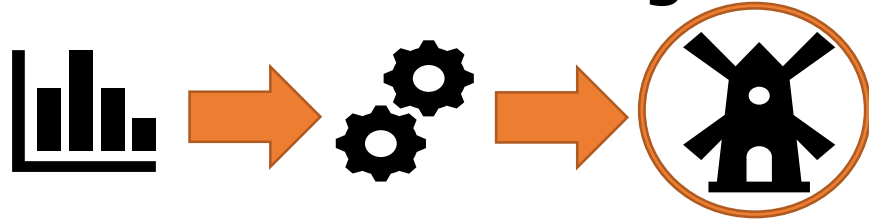
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# Background

## Purpose of presentation

- Most presentations focus on finding out which model describes the icing on a turbine in the best way



- This presentation focuses on the expected difference between the current available models





# Available methods

In this presentation the following methods were observed:

- “Fiddle factor” estimate
- IEA icing classification
- Kjeller Vindteknikk's icing map
- WIceAtlas map
- DNV/GL Ice map.



# Model description

## “Fiddle factor”

- Basically uses a factor on the observed icing
- Examples have been seen varying from 0,25-0,5.
- Could possibly be related to turbine technology

## Challenges

- Result highly dependent on the factor chosen
- “Based on experience” is a rather vague argument



# Model description

## IEA icing classification

- Defined both as meteorological and instrumental icing
- A site can end up in two separate Ice classes
- Production loss assumed Long term classified

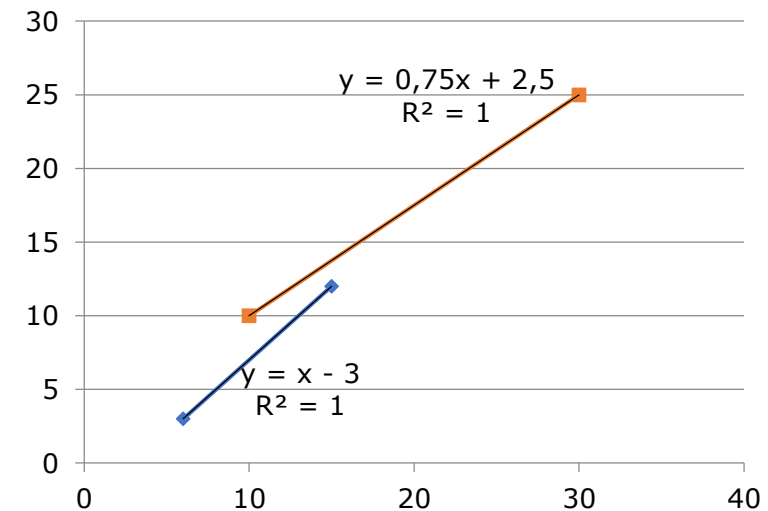
IEA Ice class	Meteorological icing	Instrumental icing	Production loss
	% of year	% of year	% of annual production
5	>10	>20	> 20
4	5-10	10-30	10-25
3	3-5	6-15	3-12
2	0.5-3	1-9	0.5-5
1	0-0.5	<1.5	0 - 0.5

# Challenges

## Using IEA icing classification

- Specifies that unheated sensors should be used
- Overlapping Classes and “unusable” range of expected losses

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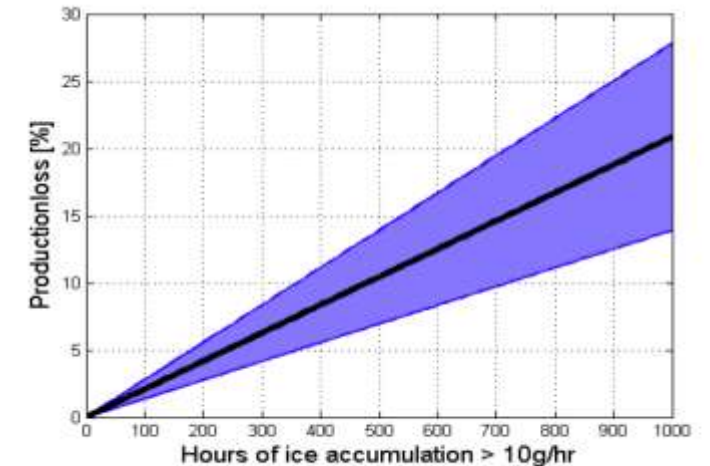
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## Kjeller Vindteknikks icing map

- Presents icing as number of icing hours per year ( $dM > 10\text{g/hr}$ ) 100m above ground level.
- Long term corrected (2000-2011)

## Challenges

- Low Resolution and inability to capture local “coldspots”
- Estimates presented in a range



g. 6. Estimated range for production loss. Lower boundary is given by (2). Upper boundary is given as twice the lower boundary.



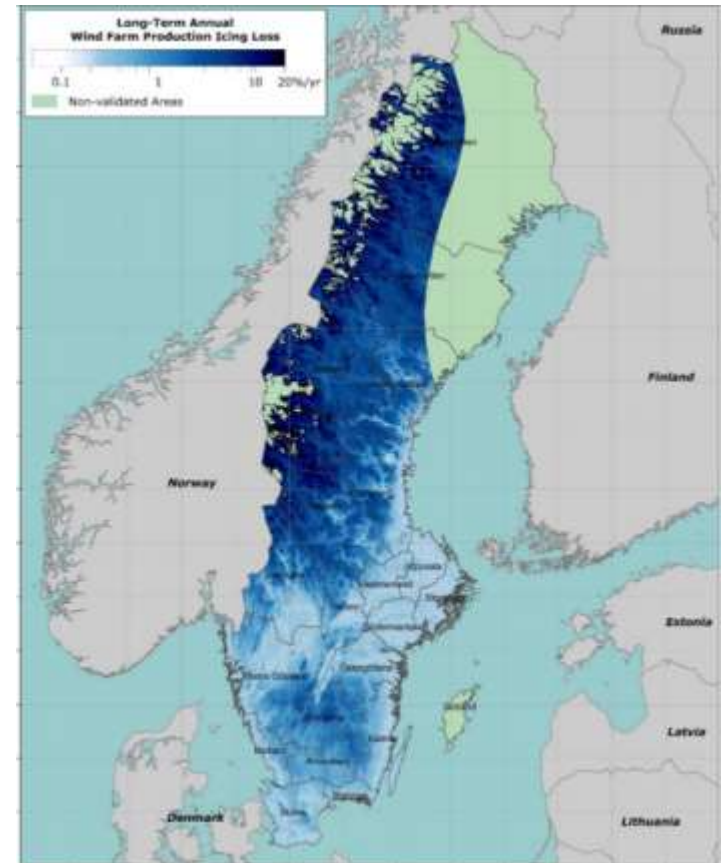
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## DNV/GL map

- Based on production data and the relationship between hub height elevation and ice loss
- Inter annual variability taken into account

## Challenges

- Questions related to the second trend (not implemented in the current ice map)
- Annoying color gradient





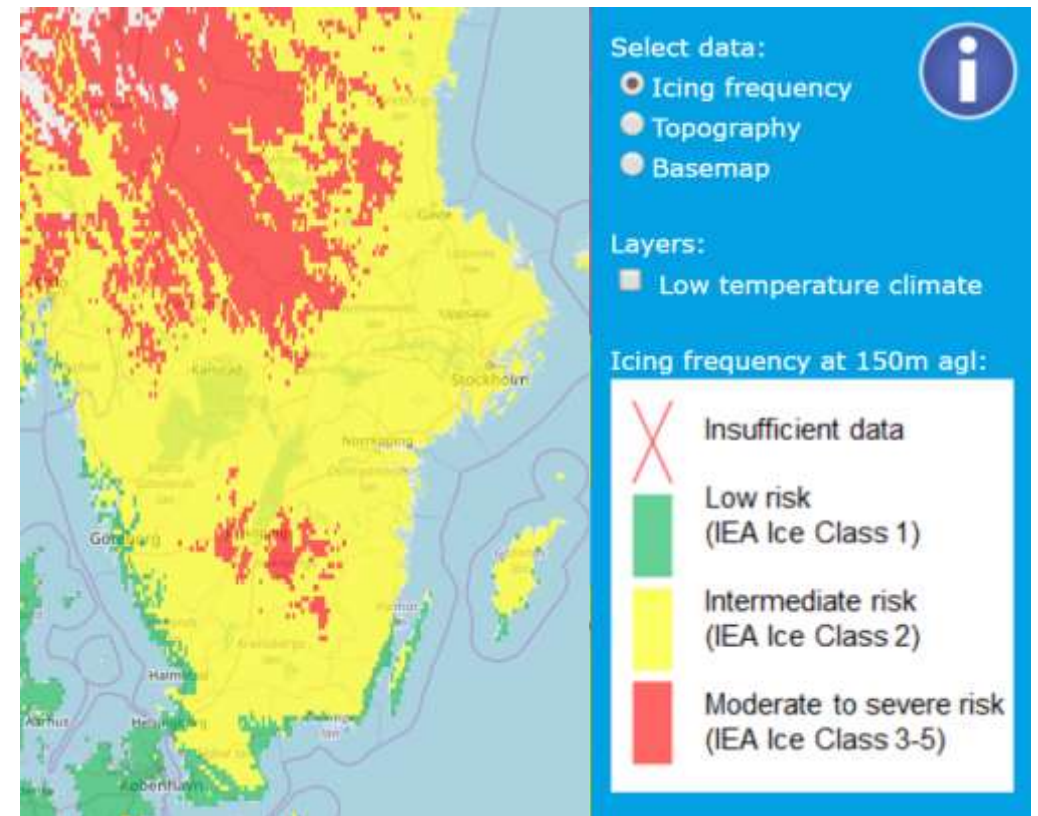
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## WIceAtlas map

- Shows icing frequency at 150m agl
- Presents results as IEA ice class

## Challenges

- Hard (as in not really possible) to convert to a usable single value





# Limitations

## Goal of the analysis

- Comparison of the different methods on the same location
- Create a basis for expected differences and uncertainties in pre construction situations using observed models

## Data input used for evaluation

- Only masts between 85-100m used for evaluation
- Only Thies shaft heated anemometers used for evaluation



# Methodology

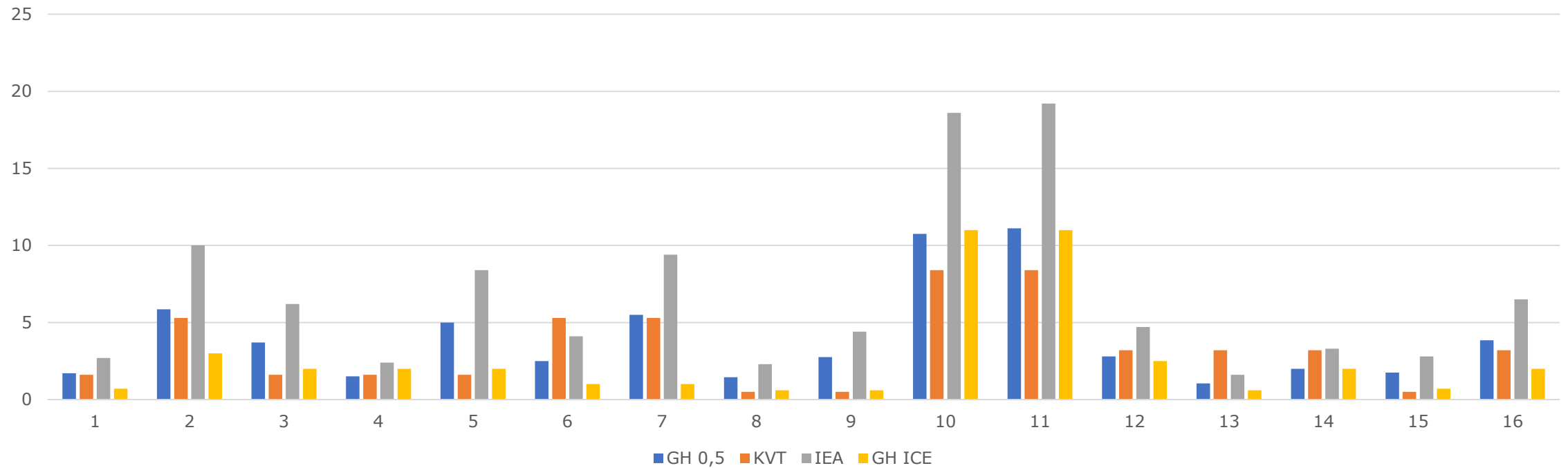
## Assumptions and methodology

- Flagging system based on  $\Delta V$  between fully heated and shaft heated anemometer as well as instrumental stand-still.
- Period assumed to start 30 minutes before and after each flagged period
- Only one winter season is taken into account
- Multiple winters are split and treated separately
- Mean value from Kjeller Vindteknikk map ranges used
- Single value based on linear relationship used for IEA maps
- “Fiddle factor” of 0,5 used for presentation
- Visual inspection of color coding for GH&DNV ice map
- Long term corrected with EMD Icing index

# Results

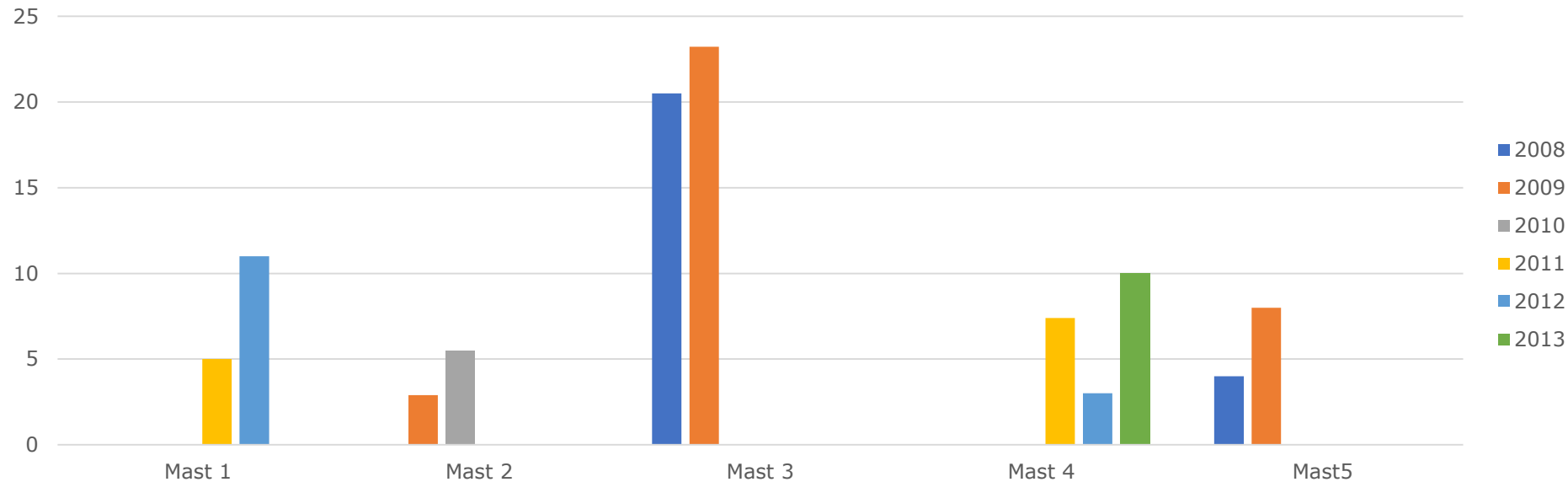
## Difference of expected production loss

Resulting production loss estimates for the four models at 16 different sites/seasons



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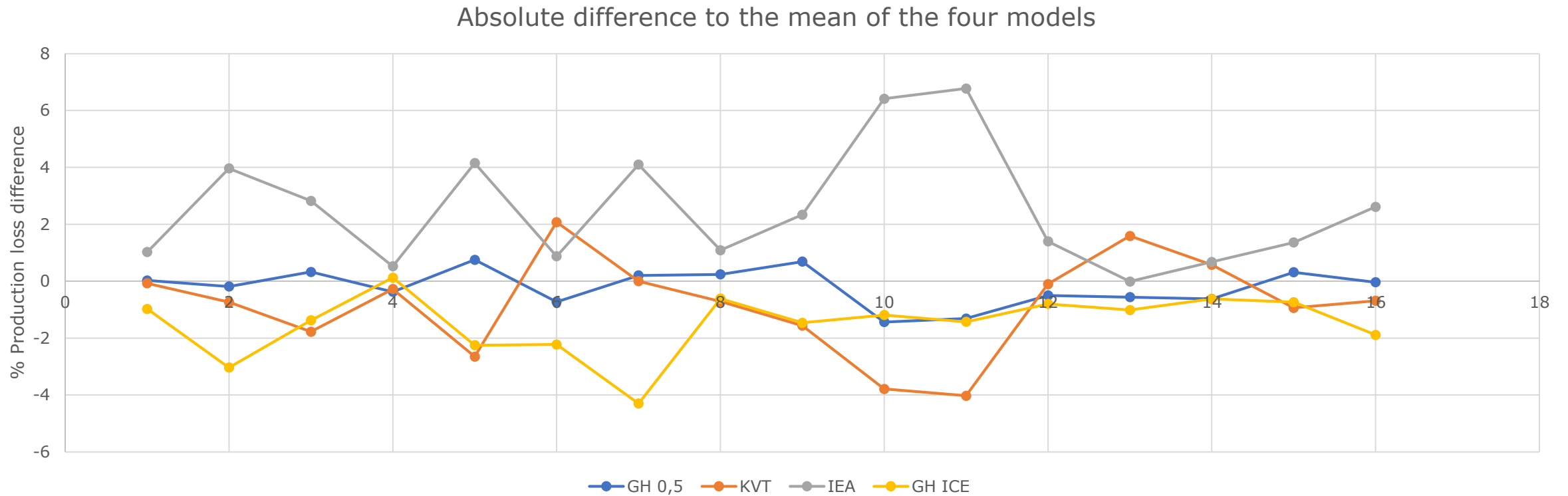
## Inter annual difference in instrumental icing



- Long term correction of instrumental icing is necessary!

# Results

## Difference of expected production loss





# Wrap-up

## What can be learned

- Some spread can be seen, but the absolute difference is overall within acceptable uncertainty levels
- Using a mean value of all methods is a possible approach
- Having one year of measurement as a basis for a icing loss evaluation increases uncertainty due to inter annual variability



# Thank you for listening!

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