

## Data driven production optimization and consistent error management

Case study: Turbine in cold climate

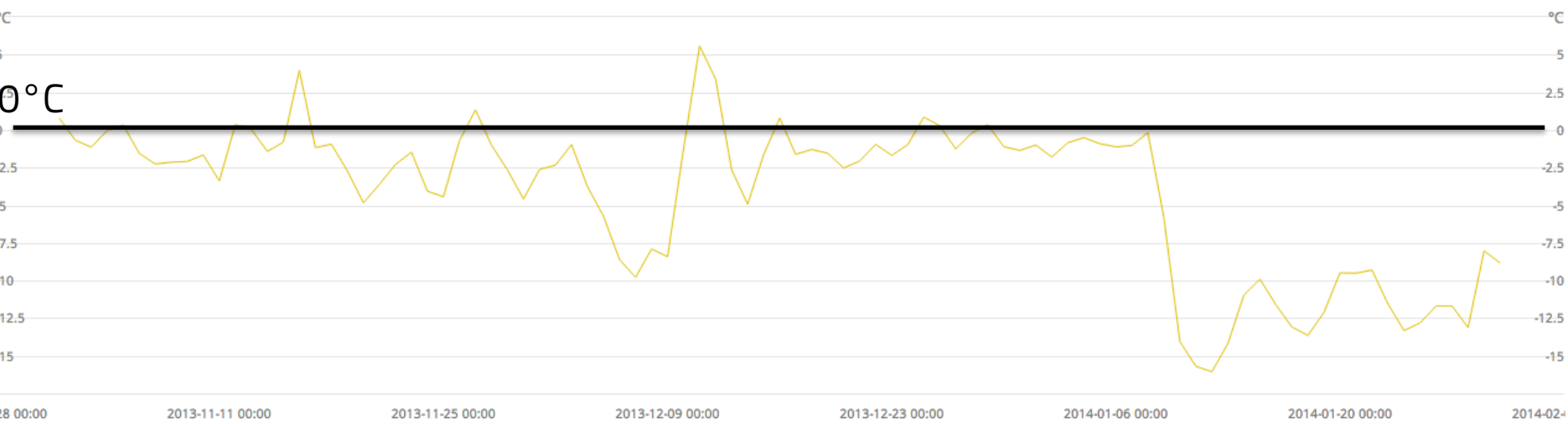
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# Wind Farm in northern Sweden: 1st nov – 31st jan

Temperature – Mostly below 0°C



## Individual turbine performance – **This presentation is based on turbine #1**

#1

Production	Time availability	Prod. availability	Capacity factor	Maintenance	Stops	Low prod.	Sum lost prod.
1370 MWh	54%	57.2%	27.6%	150 MWh	118 MWh	485 MWh	753 MWh
1564 MWh	78.4%	90.6%	31.8%	64 MWh	122 MWh	223 MWh	409 MWh
1603 MWh	66.6%	71.3%	32.1%	17 MWh	7 MWh	441 MWh	465 MWh
1700 MWh	74.8%	82.1%	33.4%	18 MWh	165 MWh	306 MWh	489 MWh
1849 MWh	90.2%	107%	37%	3 MWh	7 MWh	82 MWh	93 MWh
1947 MWh	88.2%	90.2%	40.4%	8 MWh	14 MWh	194 MWh	216 MWh
1948 MWh	75.7%	85.1%	38.9%	36 MWh	29 MWh	261 MWh	326 MWh
2031 MWh	91.9%	100.3%	40.7%	3 MWh	2 MWh	121 MWh	126 MWh
2045 MWh	89.3%	97.1%	40.1%	2 MWh	18 MWh	159 MWh	179 MWh

# Turbine #1

## Facts nov-jan (3 months)

- Budget: 2201 MWH
- Outcome: 1370 MWH
- Difference: -841 MWH

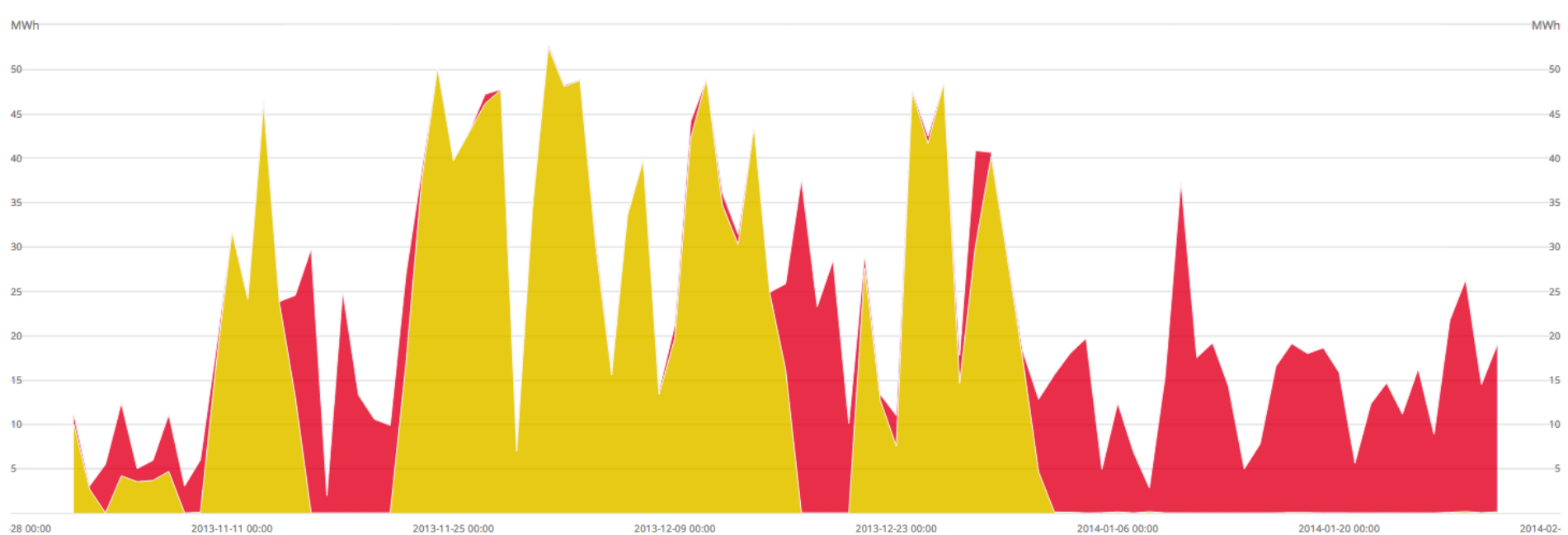
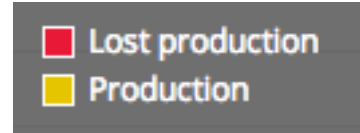
## Findings

- Lost production: 734 MWH
  - Maintenance: 150 MWH
    - Turbine stopped and in maintenance mode
  - Not planned stops: 123 MWH
    - Error from turbine – not service
  - Low Production: 461 MWH
    - No error, but lower production than warranted power curve
- Availability\*: 54%

\* Time based availability low wind, below cut in = Available

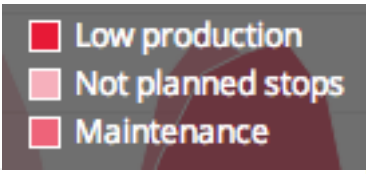
# Turbine #1

Lost production 3 months: 734 MWh, approx. EUR 40,000

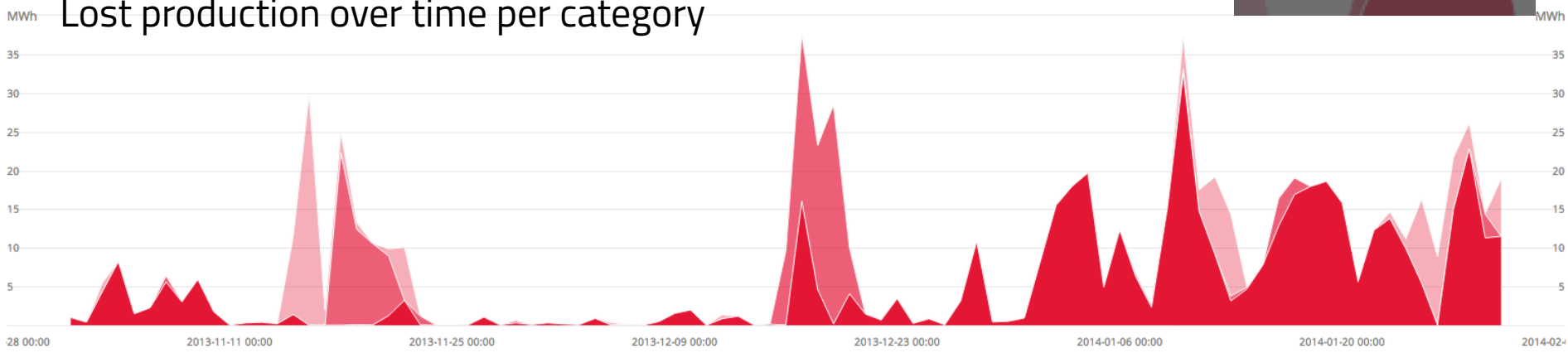


Production	Time availability	Prod. availability	Capacity factor	Maintenance	Stops	Low prod.	Sum lost prod.
1370 MWh	54.5%	57.9%	27.9%	150 MWh	118 MWh	465 MWh	734 MWh
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# But why is production lost?



Lost production over time per category



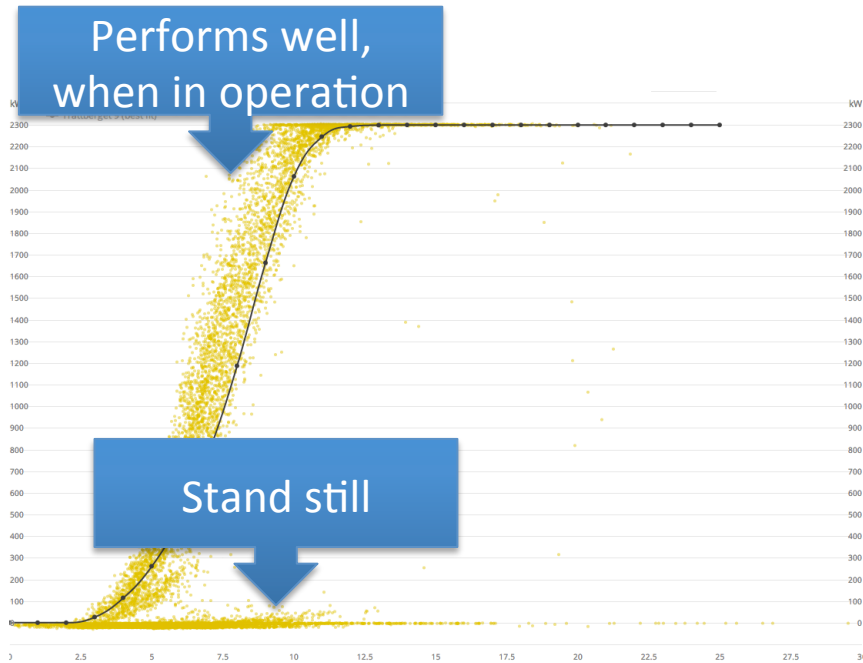
Most Lost Production is in category low production i.e. no error message from turbine.

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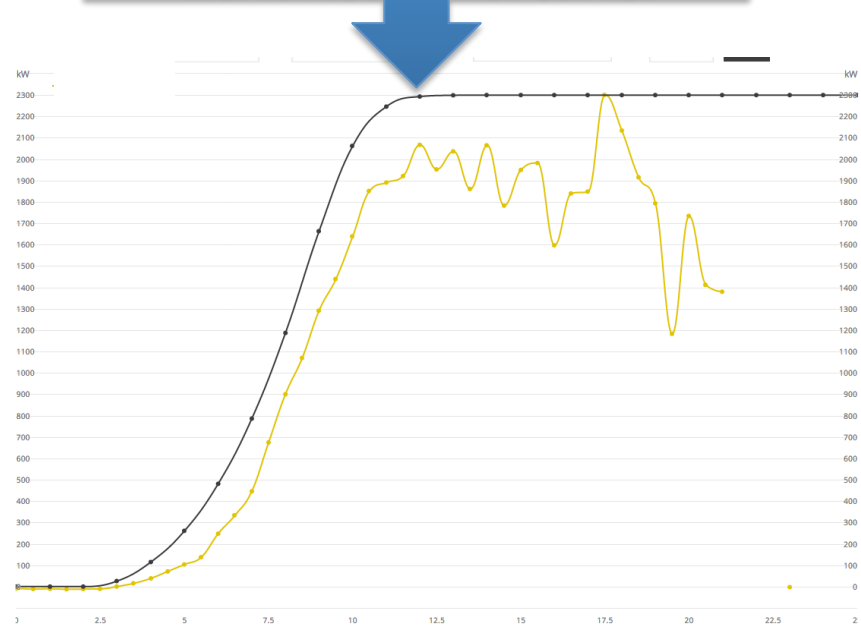
## Top Errors

Status code	Status message	Number of stops	Duration (h)	Lost production (kWh)
9994	Turbine Service	29	146	93307
8208	Stopped, shade inconvenience	5	52.1	27815
9306	Brake acc. pressure too low	1	43.4	21731
7101	Hyd oil level error	11	34.8	26353
3146	Hub: No feedback MTS-sens C	2	33.7	20219
9303	Brakepressure too low	1	23.4	27423
3125	Pitch C tracking during opera.	1	20.8	20006
1005	Availability - low wind	9	12.8	908

# Power Curve Analysis



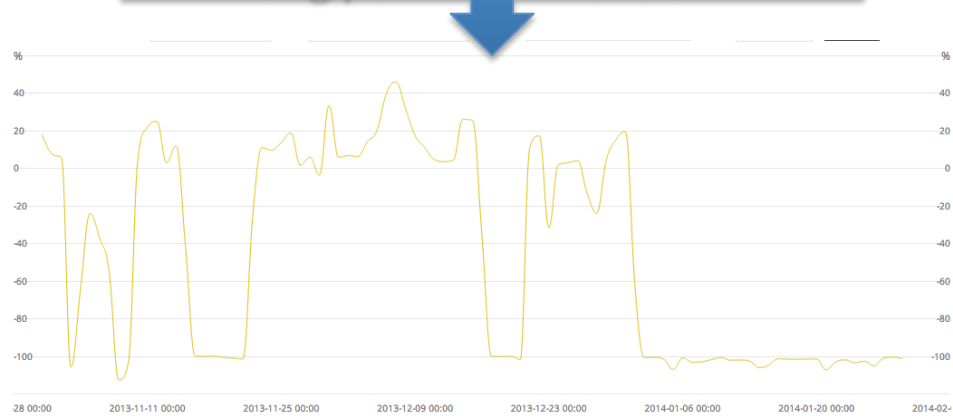
Best fit line indicates overall performance well below warranted power curve.



Most production lost sector 0-180 degrees

	3 m/s	4 m/s	5 m/s	6 m/s	7 m/s	8 m/s	9 m/s	10 m/s	11 m/s	12 m/s	13 m/s	14 m/s	15 m/s
N	-84.9	-37.4	-13.9	-46.5	-72.3	-50.7	-94.7	-60.4	-39.3	+0.6	+0.4	-	-
NNE	-70.4	-67.6	-21.3	-33.8	+2.3	+18.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ENE	+2.8	-38.4	-18.3	-48.1	-76.7	-99.6	-99	-98.9	-98.3	-98.7	-	-	-
E	-58.8	-3.6	-25.3	-60.2	-56.3	-47.1	-32.9	-23.5	-12.7	-0.2	-12.7	+0.1	+0
ESE	-125	-62.2	-68.4	-55.1	-27.3	-17.4	+4.1	-0.8	-3.2	-2.2	-5.6	+0.1	-17.7
SSE	-104.6	-88.8	-85.9	-56.7	-27.3	-10.3	+12.2	+7	+3.1	-0.7	+0.6	-3.9	+0.1
S	-108.9	-58.4	-43.6	-22.4	+30.6	+15.6	+3.9	+5.1	+3	+1.3	+0.2	-	-100.2
SSW	-95.6	-36.1	+26.2	+45.9	+28.3	+24.4	+11.4	+6.6	+3	+0.9	+0.2	+0.1	+0.1
WSW	-85.3	-61	-34.4	-4.3	+18.9	+17.2	+12.9	+9.2	+4	+1.4	+0.4	-0.8	+0.1
W	-54.9	-40.7	-9.8	+16.9	+35.9	+28.3	+17.6	+9.3	+4.6	+1.8	+0.5	+0.4	+0.1
WNNW	-113.4	-73.2	-51.5	+3.5	+7.7	+27.2	+18.5	+11.7	+4.2	+1.4	+0.5	+0.3	+0.1
NNW	+39.6	-13.4	-30.5	+16.9	+26.9	+26.6	+30.2	+4.5	-	-	-	-	-
	-71.6	-48.4	-31.4	-20.3	-9.1	-5.6	-10.5	-11.8	-13.2	-9.4	-1.7	-0.5	-14.7

Power curve evolution indicates long periods of stand still



# Conclusions

## Budgeting works, but...

- Production budget [2201 MWH]  $\approx$  Actual [1370 MWH] + lost production [734 MWH]
  - Diff: -4,4%
  - Had it not been for tough conditions on site, budget would have been within acceptable margin of error.
- Ice and cold are real problems that affect availability more than P50 values seem to account for
  - Opportunity: De-icing systems with improved intelligence
  - Further study: Comparison of different de-icing systems at sites with similar conditions
- Error data from turbines make root cause problem analysis complicated.
  - Error? Warning? Multiple errors at the same time?
  - Opportunity: Work to standardize error output from turbines

N.B: Data from this report is taken from newly commissioned wind farm