Module 8 – Verification of Renewable Energy Forecasts

Module introduction



A few interesting quotes on forecasting



Some of my favorites:

"Prediction is very difficult, especially if it's about the future"

-Nils Bohr, Nobel laureate in Physics

"Forecasting is the art of saying what will happen, and then explaining why it didn't!"

-Anonymous

"It is far better to foresee even without certainty than not to foresee at all"

-Henri Poincaré

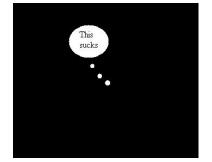
Let's accept it...

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- Forecasts are always wrong!
- Bad forecasts translate to **consequences** these may be:

- security issues in, e.g., offshore wind farm maintenance
- financial losses for those participating in the markets
- overall decrease in social welfare





- blackouts! (well, hopefully not)
- ... but definitely, harsh criticism on using renewables for supplying us with electricity

Learning objectives



Through this module, it is aimed for you to be able to:

- Explain what makes renewable energy forecasts of different quality and value
- Obscribe how one may evaluate the quality of different forms of forecasts
- Appraise how different scores and diagnostic tools should be used and interpreted

Module outline



Module 8 is based on 3 video lectures and associated self-assessment quizzes:

8.1 What makes a good forecast?

8.2 Verification of deterministic forecasts

8.3 Verification of probabilistic forecasts

Good luck with Module 8!

