SCORES: User Guide

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This document contains documentation and example code designed to accompany the SCORES repository.

0 Getting Started

The following packages are necessary prerequisites: numpy, matplotlib, csv, copy, datetime, scipy.optimise, pyDOE, os, mpl_toolkits.basemap (for maps only).

The code in the repository does not contain the raw data necessary to run the model, but it does contain saved results from the UK which allow some analysis to be done. In order to get the full use of the model, or to study systems outside of the UK, hourly weather observations need to be added to the data folder.

**something about how to get the NASA data

1 Generation Models

Each generation model object describes a form of power generation, which has an associated hourly power output.

1.1 Classes

1.1.1 Base Class

GenerationModel(sites, year_min, year_max, months, fixed_cost, variable_cost, name, data_path, save_path)

Note that there are two options for initialising a generation mode: in select cases you can load a previous run of the model (providing it has been stored in the save path), otherwise you will need to run the model using raw weather data. For this reason data_path is technically an optional parameter, but if the simulation has not been previously stored, then it is required.

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
sites	Array-like	List of chosen site numbers, or the string 'all'
year_min	int	Lowest year to be included in the simulation
year_max	int	Highest year to be included in the simulation
months	Array-like	List of months to be included in the simulation (1-12)

fixed_cost	float	Cost incurred per MW-year of installation in GBP
variable_cost	int	Cost incurred per MWh of generation in GBP
name	str	Name of generator - used for graph plotting
data_path	Str	Path to folder where the weather data is stored
save path	str	Path to folder where model output will be stored if desired

1.1.2 Offshore Wind

OffshoreWindModel(sites='all', year_min=2013, year_max=2019, months=list(range(1, 13)), fixed_cost=240000, variable_cost=3, tilt=5, air_density=1.23, rotor_diameter=190, rated_rotor_rpm=10, rated_wind_speed=11.5, v_cut_in=4, v_cut_out=30, n_turbine=None, turbine_size=10, data_path=", save_path='stored_model_runs/', save=True)

<u>Parameter</u>	Type	<u>Description</u>
tilt	float	Blade tilt in degrees
air_density	float	Density of air in kg/m3
rotor_diameter	float	Rotor diameter in m
rated_rotor_rpm	float	Rated rotation speed in rpm
rated_wind_speed	float	Rated wind speed in m/s
v_cut_in	float	Cut in wind speed in m/s
v_cut_out	float	Cut out wind speed in m/s
n_turbine	Array-like	Relative number of turbines installed at each site, defaults to an even distribution across sites
turbine_size	float	Size of each turbine in MW
save	boo	Determines whether to save the results of the run

1.1.4 Onshore Wind

OnshoreWindModel(sites='all', year_min=2013, year_max=2019, months=list(range(1, 13)), fixed_cost=120000, variable_cost=6, tilt=5, air_density=1.23, rotor_diameter=120, rated_rotor_rpm=13, rated_wind_speed=12.5, v_cut_in=3, v_cut_out=25, n_turbine=None, turbine size=3.6, hub height=90, data path=", save path='stored model runs/', save=True)

<u>Parameter</u>	Type	<u>Description</u>
tilt	float	Blade tilt in degrees
air_density	float	Density of air in kg/m3
rotor_diameter	float	Rotor diameter in m
rated_rotor_rpm	float	Rated rotation speed in rpm
rated_wind_speed	float	Rated wind speed in m/s
v_cut_in	float	Cut in wind speed in m/s
v_cut_out	float	Cut out wind speed in m/s
n_turbine	Array-like	Relative number of turbines installed at each site, defaults to an even distribution across sites
turbine_size	float	Size of each turbine in MW
hub_height	float	Height of turbine hub - needed to adjust the wind speed data.
save	boo	Determines whether to save the results of the run

1.1.4 Solar PV

SolarModel(sites='all', year_min=2013, year_max=2019, months=list(range(1, 13)), fixed_cost=42000, variable_cost=0, orient=0, tilt=22, efficiency=0.17, performance_ratio=0.85, plant_capacity=1, area_factor=5.84, data_path=", save_path='stored_model_runs/', save=True)

<u>Parameter</u>	Type	<u>Description</u>
orient	float	Surface azimuth angle in degrees
tilt	float	Panel tilt in degrees
efficiency	float	Panel efficiency (0-1)
performance_ratio	float	Panel performance ratio - determined analytically (0-1)
plant_capacity	float	Installed capacity in MW
area_factor	float	Panel area per installed kW in m2/kW
save	boo	Determines whether to save the results of the run

1.2 Functions

1.2.1 Running the model

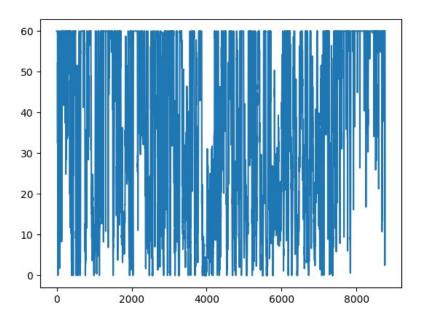
run()

This will populate the object's power out parameter, either by loading a result from save path, or by running the relevant model using the data located in data path. This is called during initialisation of an object if a stored model run is not available.

Example: The following plots the output of six 10 MW offshore wind turbines for 2015, one each at sites 1 and 2, and four at site 3.

```
from generation import OffshoreWindModel
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
gen = OffshoreWindModel(sites=[1,2,3], year min=2015, year max=2015,
turbine size=10, n turbine=[1,1,4], data path='data/offshore/')
plt.plot(gen.power out)
plt.show()
```

[out]:



1.2.2 Load factor calculation

get_load_factor()

This will return the load factor in percent (0-100) of the predicted output power vector.

Example: The following calculates the aggregate load factor of solar stations uniformly distributed across the available locations between 2013-19.

```
from generation import SolarModel

gen = SolarModel(sites='all',year_min=2013, year_max=2019,
data_path='data/solar/')

print(gen.get_load_factor())

[out]:
    10.791703612581438
```

1.2.4 Scaling the amount of installed generation

scale output(installed capacity)

This will return an array of the hourly average output over a 24 hour period.

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
installed capacity	float	Aggregated installed capacity in MW

1.2.4 Getting the average daily output curve

get dirunal profile()

This will return an array containing the hourly average output over a 24 hour period.

Example: Plotting the average daily output of 800 MW of solar, evenly distributed across all sites, loading from a saved run of 2013-2019.

```
from generation import SolarModel
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

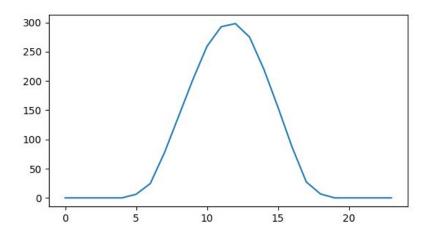
gen = SolarModel()

gen.scale_output(800)

plt.plot(gen.get_diurnal_profile())

plt.show()

[out]:
```



2 Individual Storage Models

2.1 Classes

2.1.1 Base Class

 $StorageModel(eff_in,\ eff_out,\ self_dis,\ variable_cost,\ fixed_cost,\ max_c_rate,\ max_d_rate,\ name,\ capacity=1)$

<u>Parameter</u>	Type	<u>Description</u>
eff_in	float	Charging efficiency in % (0-100)
eff_out	float	Discharging efficiency in % (0-100)
self_dis	float	Rate of self discharge in %/month (0-100)
fixed_cost	float	Cost incurred per MWh-year of installed capacity in GBP
variable_cost	float	Cost incurred per MWh of storage throughput in GBP
name	str	Name of storage - used for graph plotting
max_c_rate	float	Maximum charging rate in %/hr (0-100)
max_d_rate	float	Maximum discharging rate in %/hr (0-100)
capacity	float	Installed storage capacity in MWh

2.1.2 Li-Ion Battery Storage

BatteryStorageModel(eff_in=95, eff_out=95, self_dis=2, variable_cost=0, fixed_cost=16000, max c rate=100, max d rate=100, capacity=1)

2.1.3 Hydrogen Storage

HydrogenStorageModel(eff_in=67, eff_out=56, self_dis=0, variable_cost=42.5, fixed_cost=120, max c rate=0.032, max d rate=0.15, capacity=1)

2.1.4 Pumped Thermal Storage

ThermalStorageModel(eff_in=80, eff_out=47, self_dis=9.66,variable_cost=331.6, fixed_cost=773.5, max c rate=8.56, max d rate=6.82, capacity=1)

2.2 Functions

2.2.1 Running a charging simulation

charge sim(surplus, t res=1, return output=False, start up time=0)

This simulates the opportunistic operation of the storage to remove the negative values in the input array 'surplus'. It returns the percentage of times when a negative surplus is avoided after operation of the storage and, if requested, the output vector after the storage has been used.

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Type</u>	Description
surplus	Array like	The generation net demand which is to be smoothed in MW
t_res	float	The time resolution in hours of the surplus provided
return_output	boo	Whether to also return the smoothed output vector
start_up_time	int	The number of first time intervals to be ignored in reliability calculation

Example: get the reliability with which an 3.6 MW onshore wind turbine at site 20 with a 10 MWh battery can reach a minimum output of 1 MW.

```
from generation import OnshoreWindModel
from storage import BatteryStorageModel
import numpy as np

gen = OnshoreWindModel(turbine_size=3.6, year_min=2013, year_max=2013, sites=[20], data_path='data/wind/')

wind_power = np.array(gen.power_out)
```

2.2.2 Analysing the storage throughput

analyse usage()

After running a simulation this will return the energy put into storage, the energy extracted from storage, and the total energy curtailed (positive surplus that was not put into storage)

Example: analysis following the previous example.

```
print(stor.analyse_usage())

[out]:
     [721.7000558527664, 640.0424948515829, 8774.16639791325]
```

2.2.3 Sizing a storage system

size_storage(surplus, reliability, initial_capacity=0, req_res=1e3, t_res=1, max_capacity=1e8, start_up_time=0)

This uses bisection out the capacity of storage required to achieve the specified level of reliability. Note that if the max_capacity is too oversized, then the self-discharge rate can mean that increasing storage will actually decrease reliability, so it is important to use a maximum capacity that is not unrealistically large.

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
surplus	Array like	The generation net demand which is to be smoothed in MW
t_res	float	The time resolution in hours of the surplus provided
initial_capacity	float	The smallest amount of storage to try, if this achieves greater than the stated reliability then an error is raised.
req_res	float	The precision to which the required storage needs to be achieved
max_capacity	float	The maximum amount of storage to try, if this is insufficient to achieve the required reliability np.inf will be returned.
start_up_time	int	The number of first time intervals to be ignored in reliability calculation

Example: for the example above work out the amount of storage required to achieve 90% reliability

2.2.4 Calculating the cost of the storage system

get_cost()

Following a charging simulation, this will return the cost in GBP per year of operating the storage system

Example: Calculate the cost of the storage in the 90% reliable system above

3 Multiple Storage Models

3.1 Base Class

MultipleStorageAssets(assets, c_order=None, d_order=None)

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
assets	Array like	A list of StorageModel objects
c_order	Array like	The priority order for charging under 'ordered' strategy as reference to index in the assets list e.g. $[0,1]$. If none, assumed to be reverse of the order provided in assets
d_order	Array like	The priority order for discharging. If none, assumed to be in the order provided in assets list.

3.2 Functions

3.2.1 Running a charging simulation

charge_sim(surplus,t_res=1, return_output=False, start_up_time=0, strategy='ordered', return_di_av=False)

This simulates the opportunistic operation of the multiple storage assets to remove the negative values in the input array 'surplus'. It returns the percentage of times when a negative surplus is avoided after operation of the storage and, if requested, the output vector after the storage has been used or the daily average charge and discharge profiles.

<u>Parameter</u>	Type	Description
surplus	Array like	The generation net demand which is to be smoothed in MW
t_res	float	The time resolution in hours of the surplus provided
return_output	boo	Whether to also return the smoothed output vector
start_up_time	int	The number of first time intervals to be ignored in reliability calculation
strategy	str	The strategy to use to operate multiple storage assets. Options: 'ordered'
return_di_av	boo	Whether to return the daily average charge/discharging profiles of each asset

Example: get the reliability with which an 3.6 MW onshore wind turbine at site 20 with a 1 MWh battery and 10 MWh of hydrogen can reach a minimum output of 1 MW.

3.2.2 Analysing the storage throughput

analyse_usage()

This will return one array per storage medium, containing the energy put into and taken out of each asset. The total energy curtailed will also be returned as float.

Example: analysis following the previous example.

```
print(stor.analyse_usage())

[out]:
      [[123.46064881468301, 16.659119543870013],
      [110.31644049533065, 6.033549637298847], 9362.25070352625]
```

3.2.3 Sizing a storage system

size_storage(surplus, reliability, initial_capacity=0, req_res=1e3, t_res=1, max_capacity=1e8, start_up_time=0)

This will size the total storage capacity required to reach a certain reliability, while keeping the relative sizes of the individual assets constant.

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
surplus	Array like	The generation net demand which is to be smoothed in MW
t_res	float	The time resolution in hours of the surplus provided
initial_capacity	float	The smallest amount of storage to try, if this achieves greater than the stated reliability then an error is raised.
req_res	float	The precision to which the required storage needs to be achieved
max_capacity	float	The maximum amount of storage to try, if this is insufficient to achieve the required reliability np.inf will be returned.
start_up_time	int	The number of first time intervals to be ignored in reliability calculation

Example: for the example above work out the amount of storage required to achieve 90% reliability

3.2.4 Calculating the cost of the storage system

```
get cost()
```

Following a charging simulation, this will return the cost in GBP per year of operating the storage system

Example: Calculate the cost of the storage in the 90% reliable system above

4 Electricity System

This module combines a set of generation models with a multiple storage asset model to simulate a systems ability to meet an electricity demand profile.

4.1 Classes

4.1.1 Base Class

ElectricitySystem(gen_list, stor_list, demand, t_res=1, reliability=99, start_up_time=0, strategy='ordered')

<u>Parameter</u>	Type	<u>Description</u>
gen_list	Array-like	List of generation model objects
stor_list	MultipleStorageAssets	MultipleStorageAssets object
demand	Array-like	Demand to be met in MW
t_res	float	Time resolution (hours)
reliability	float	Percentage of demand to be met (0-100)
start_up_time	int	Number of first time intervals to ignore in reliability
strategy	str	Storage operation strategy - 'ordered'

4.1.2 GB electricity system

ElectricitySystemGB(gen_list, stor_list, t_res=1, reliability=99, start_up_time=40*24*4, strategy='ordered', electrify_heat=False, evs=False, months=list(range(1,14)), year_min=2014, year_max=2019)

Parameter Type	Description
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months	Array-like	<i>List of months to be included in the simulation (1-12)</i>
year_min	int	Lowest year to be included in the simulation
year_max	int	Highest year to be included in the simulation
electrify_heat	boo	Whether to include electrified heating demand
evs	boo	Whether to include domestic EV charging

4.2 Functions

4.2.1 System cost calculations

cost(x)

Returns the whole system cost in £bn/yr.

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
$x[:n_{gen}]$	Array-like	Installed capacity of each generator in GW (using order of gen_list)
$x[n_{gen}:]$	Array-like	Capacity of first n-1 storage assets relative to total installed. Must sum to less than 1. If only one storage asset then it will be empty.

Example: The following returns the cost of running the GB system with existing demand using 60 GW each of offshore, onshore, and solar, alongside a 10/90 mix of batteries and hydrogen storage.

4.2.2 System operation analysis

analyse(x, filename='log/system_analysis.txt')

Runs a whole system simulation and writes a text file in the log with the system cost breakdown, the amounts and utilisation of storage installed, and total energy curtailment.

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
$x[:n_{gen}]$	Array-like	Installed capacity of each generator in GW (using order of gen_list)
$x[n_{gen}:]$	Array-like	Capacity of first n-1 storage assets relative to total installed. Must sum to less than 1. If only one storage asset then it will be empty.
filename	str	File path for analysis to be stored, should end in .txt

Example: The following analyses the system from the previous example.

```
from generation import OffshoreWindModel, OnshoreWindModel, SolarModel
from storage import BatteryStorageModel, HydrogenStorageModel
from system import ElectricitySystemGB
gen = [OffshoreWindModel(), OnshoreWindModel(), SolarModel()]
stor = [BatteryStorageModel(), HydrogenStorageModel()]
es = ElectricitySystemGB(gen, stor, reliability=99)
es.analyse([60,60,60,0.1],filename='log/analysis.txt')
[out]:
System cost: £42.958280920024505 bn/yr
______
INSTALLED GENERATION
Offshore Wind: 60 GW
Onshore Wind: 60 GW
Solar: 60 GW
>>TOTAL: 180 GW
_____
INSTALLED STORAGE
_____
```

Li-Ion Battery: 0.4882112529278146 TWh

Hydrogen: 4.494901276450441 TWh

>>TOTAL: 4.882112529278146 TWh

STORAGE UTILISATION

- >> Li-Ion Battery <<
- 1.426515280796148 TWh/yr in (grid side)
- 1.275665601444428 TWh/yr out (grid side)
- 4.458956654147789 cycles per year
- >> Hydrogen <<
- 0.2718659270924416 TWh/yr in (grid side)
- 0.07082591178249478 TWh/yr out (grid side)
- 0.04619874541792025 cycles per year

ENERGY UTILISATION

Total Demand: 288.49464577846245 TWh/yr Total Supply: 580.6900640898285 TWh/yr Curtailment: 41.52144687548876 TWh/yr

COST BREAKDOWN

Offshore Wind: £15.44999218041244 bn/yr Onshore Wind: £8.420025411401847 bn/yr

Solar: £2.52 bn/yr

Li-Ion Battery: £6.211480046845044 bn/yr Hydrogen: £0.4568844814641887 bn/yr

4.2.3 Visualisation of daily load profiles

get dirunal profile(gen cap, stor cap)

Plots the average daily supply and demand breakdown, alongside the average daily usage profile for each storage asset.

Parameter Type Description

```
gen_cap Array-like Installed capacity of each generator in GW (using order of gen_list)

stor_cap Array-like Capacity of first n-1 storage assets relative to total installed. Must sum to less than 1.

If only one storage asset then it will be empty.
```

Example: The following plots the usage profile of the system from the previous example.

```
from generation import OffshoreWindModel, OnshoreWindModel, SolarModel
from storage import BatteryStorageModel, HydrogenStorageModel
from system import ElectricitySystemGB

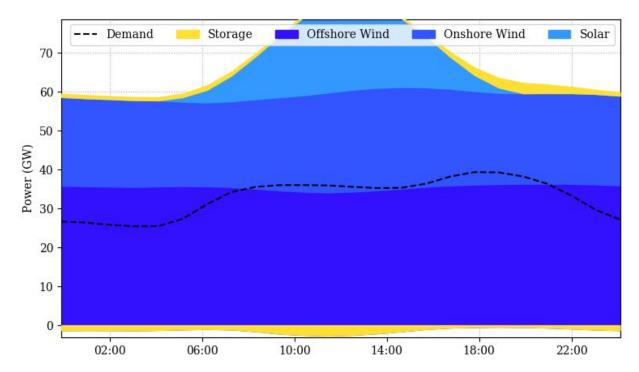
gen = [OffshoreWindModel(), OnshoreWindModel(), SolarModel()]

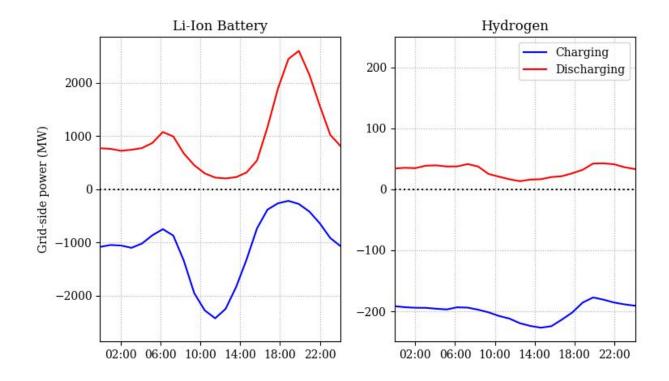
stor = [BatteryStorageModel(), HydrogenStorageModel()]

es = ElectricitySystemGB(gen, stor, reliability=99)

es.get_diurnal_profile([60,60,60],[0.1])
```

[out]:





5 Load factor estimator

This module uses the results from the generation models to estimate the load factor of a generator at a specific location, by interpolating the available data points.

5.1 Base Class

LoadFactorEstimator(gen_type, data_loc=None)

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Type</u>	Description
gen_type	str	Code to determine the type of generator. 'w' for onshore wind, 'osw' for offshore wind, and 's' for solar.
data_loc	str	Location of folder containing the raw weather data

5.2 Functions

5.2.1 Determine load factors at all available sites

calculate_load_factors()

This will estimate the load factor of a generator at each of the sites provided, and store the results in the stored model runs folder.

5.2.2 Estimate the load factor at a particular point

estimate(lat, lon, max_dist=1, num_pts=3)

This will estimate the load factor of a generator at a specified location, by interpolating the estimated load factors at the site locations. A weighted average of the closest n points will be performed, providing the points are within the specified maximum distance.

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
lat	float	Location latitude
lon	float	Location longitude
max_dist	float	The largest straight line distance in degrees that a point will be used for interpolation
num_pts	int	The number of closest points that will be used for the weighted average

Example: Calculate the load factor of a solar farm in Greenwich Park

6 Load factor maps

This module uses the results from the load factor estimation to plot maps showing the geographic variation in predicted load factor.

6.1 Classes

6.1.1 Base class

LoadFactorMap(load_factor_estimator, lat_min, lat_max, lon_min, lon_max, lat_num, lon_num, quality, is_land)

<u>Parameter</u>	Type	<u>Description</u>
load_factor_estimator	LoadFactorEstimator	Object to fill in the estimates at each point
lat_min	float	Minimum latitude to show on map
lon_min	float	Minimum longitude to show on map
lat_max	float	Maximum latitude to show on map
lon_max	float	Maximum longitude to show on map
quality	str	'h' for high resolution, 'l' for low resolution
is_land	boo	Whether the shaded area is on land or off land

6.1.2 Offshore wind map

OffshoreWindMap(lat_min=48.2, lat_max=61.2, lon_min=-10.0, lon_max=4.0, lat_num=400, lon_num=300, quality='h', data_loc=None)

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
lat_num	int	Number of x points on the shaded mesh
lon_num	int	Number of y points on the shaded mesh
data_loc	str	Path to weather data - required if load factors have not previously been saved

6.1.3 Onshore wind map

OnshoreWindMap(lat_min=49.9, lat_max=59.0, lon_min=-7.5, lon_max=2.0, lat_num=400, lon_num=300, quality='h', turbine_size=3.6, data_loc=None)

<u>Parameter</u>	Type	<u>Description</u>
lat_num	int	Number of x points on the shaded mesh
lon_num	int	Number of y points on the shaded mesh
turbine_size	float	Rated capacity of individual turbine in MW
data_loc	str	Path to weather data - required if load factors have not previously been saved

6.1.4 Solar map

SolarMap(lat_min=49.9, lat_max=59.0, lon_min=-7.5, lon_max=2.0, lat_num=400, lon_num=300, quality='h', turbine_size=3.6, data_loc=None)

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
lat_num	int	Number of x points on the shaded mesh
lon_num	int	Number of y points on the shaded mesh
data_loc	str	Path to weather data - required if load factors have not previously been saved

6.2 Functions

6.2.1 Draw a map

draw_map(show=True, savepath='', cmap=None, vmax=None, vmin=None)

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
show	boo	Whether to show the result
savepath	str	If desired, location to save the result
стар	matplotlib.cm	Color map to use for shading
vmax	float	Value to cap the colour map at (default is set to the max value)
vmin	float	Minimum value to cap colour map at (default is the min value)

Example: Plot a map of onshore wind load factor

```
from maps import OnshoreWindMap

mp = OnshoreWindMap()

mp.draw_map()

[out]:
```

