

The SWiFT Benchmarks

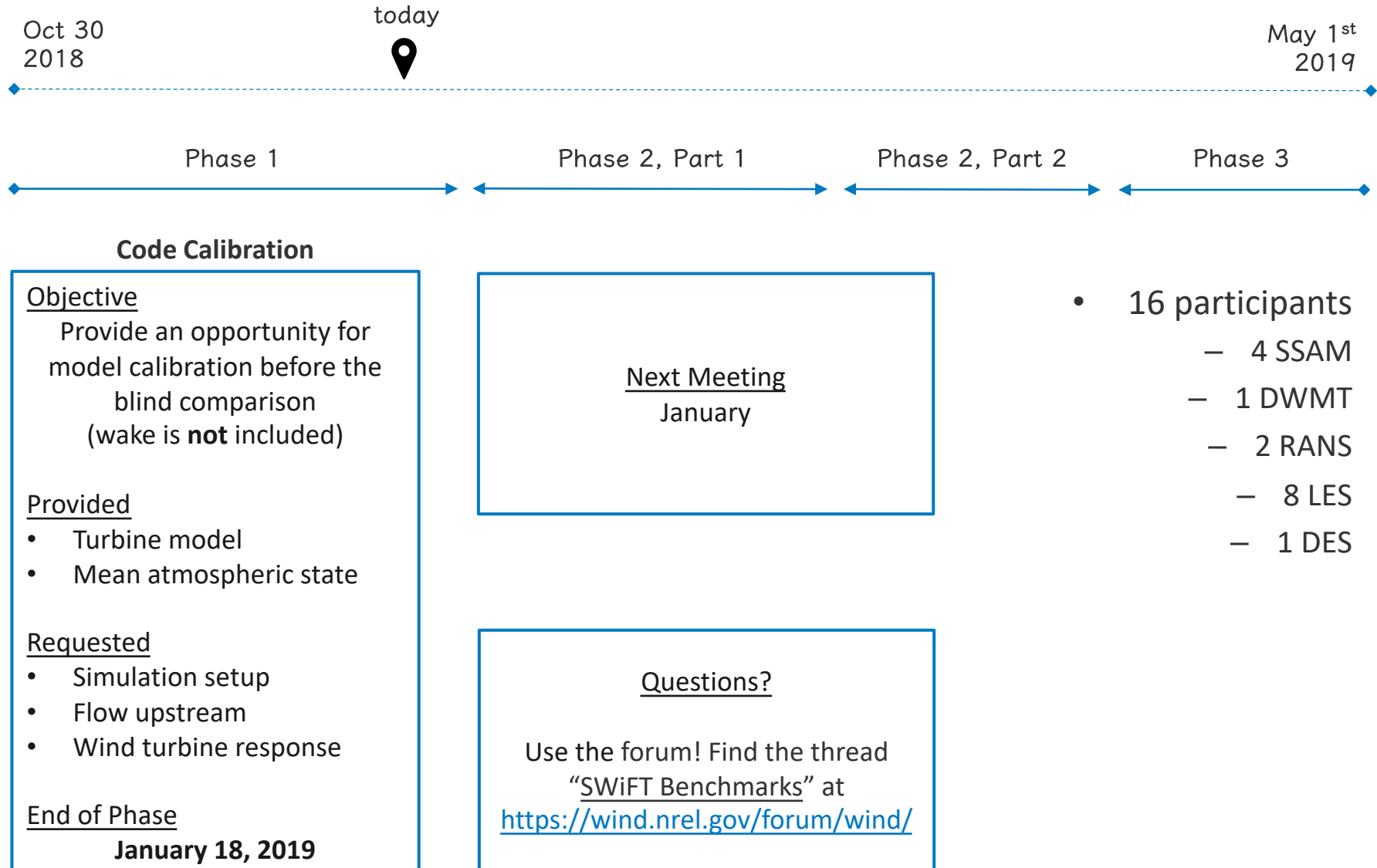
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Notes on FAST7 and OpenFAST models

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Release location

With some delays, the **OpenFAST2** model is now released:

https://github.com/NREL/wakebench_swift

folder: `wt_data/v1/OpenFAST_model`

The definitions of the radii are different

(but the values provided are consistent)

- **FAST7:** r is with respect to the rotor apex; the aerodynamic control points are located at $r+dr/2$

(see `wt_data/v1/Raw_model/Blade_Aero.csv`)

- **OpenFAST:** `BldSpan` is with respect to the root of the blade and corresponds to the aerodynamic control points.

(see `wt_data/v1/Raw_model/Blade_Aero_OF2.csv`)

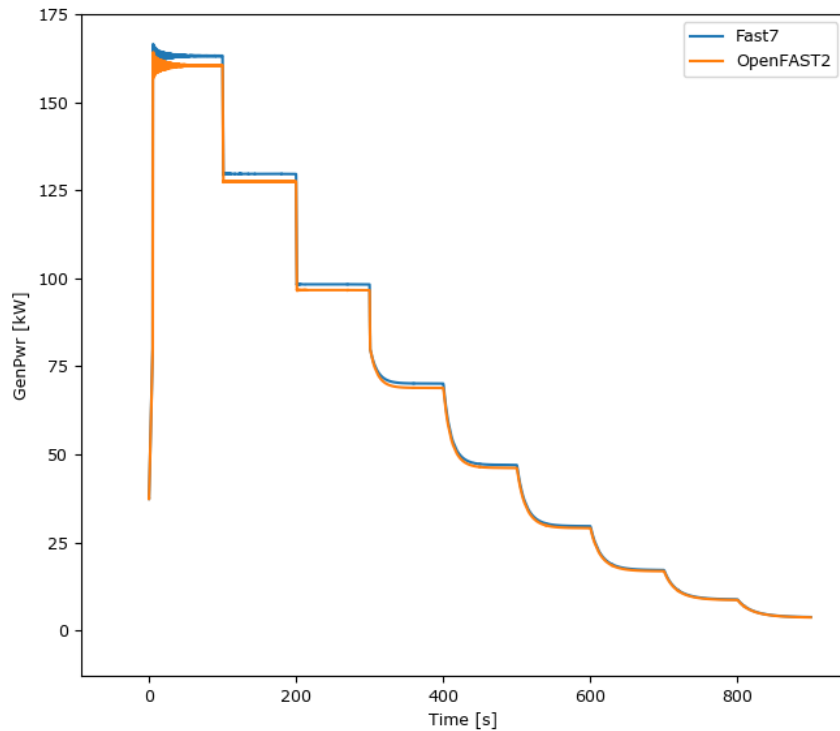
(The blade length is 13m, the hub radius is 0.5, the total rotor radius is 13.5m)

Beware of C_p and C_t

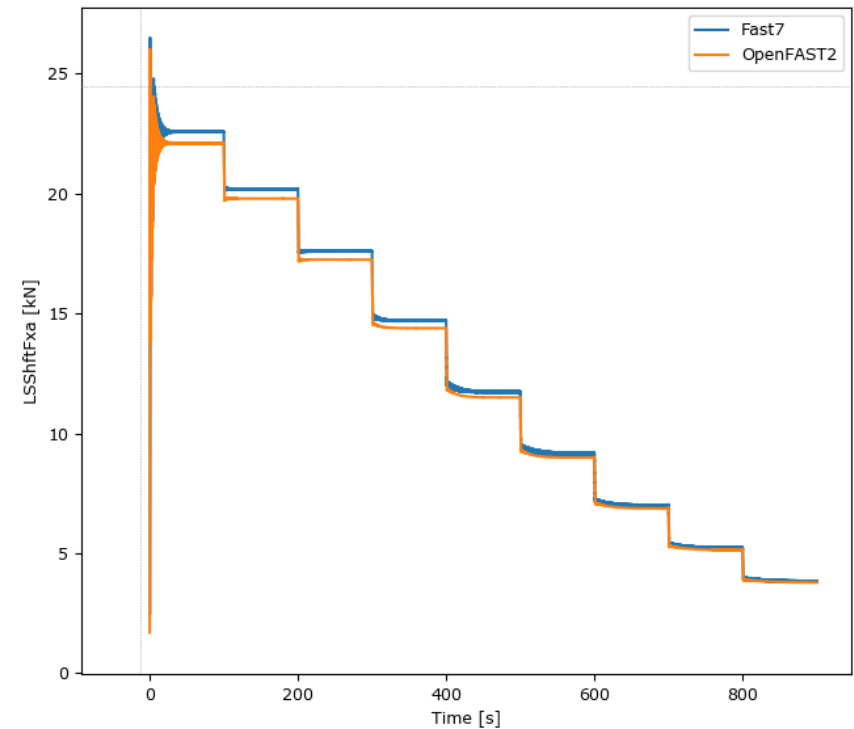
- **FAST7**: $RotC_p$ and $RotC_t$ contain some inertia contribution, they are not the aerodynamic C_p and C_t .
- **OpenFAST**: $RtAeroC_p$ and $RtAeroC_t$ are the aerodynamic C_p and C_t

Expected differences between the two models (wind steps from 11m/s to 3m/s)

Power



Thrust



Max difference around 2%.

Differences due to changes in aerodynamic model.

Last words

- The **OpenFAST2** model is provided with tower shadow and aero loads on the tower, but you can deactivate it:

Without:

With:

8	0		TwrPotent
9	False		TwrShadow
10	False		TwrAero

8	1		TwrPotent
9	True		TwrShadow
10	True		TwrAero

- Running with Nalu and SOWFA, remember to turn off the induction model : i.e., set `WakeMod=0`
- Models for **FAST8** (F8), **OpenFAST1** (OF1) are also provided, but we recommend the **OpenFAST2** (OF2) model.

Q&A
