



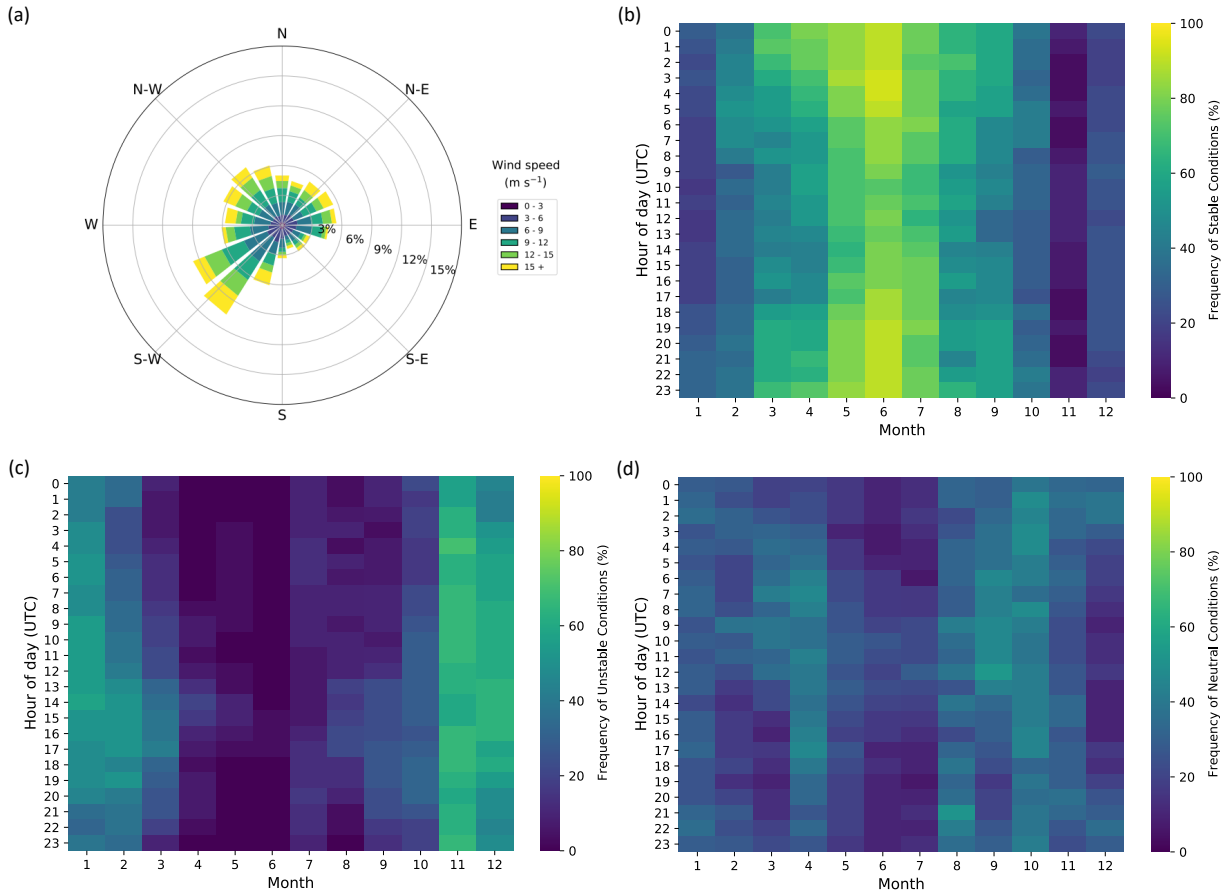
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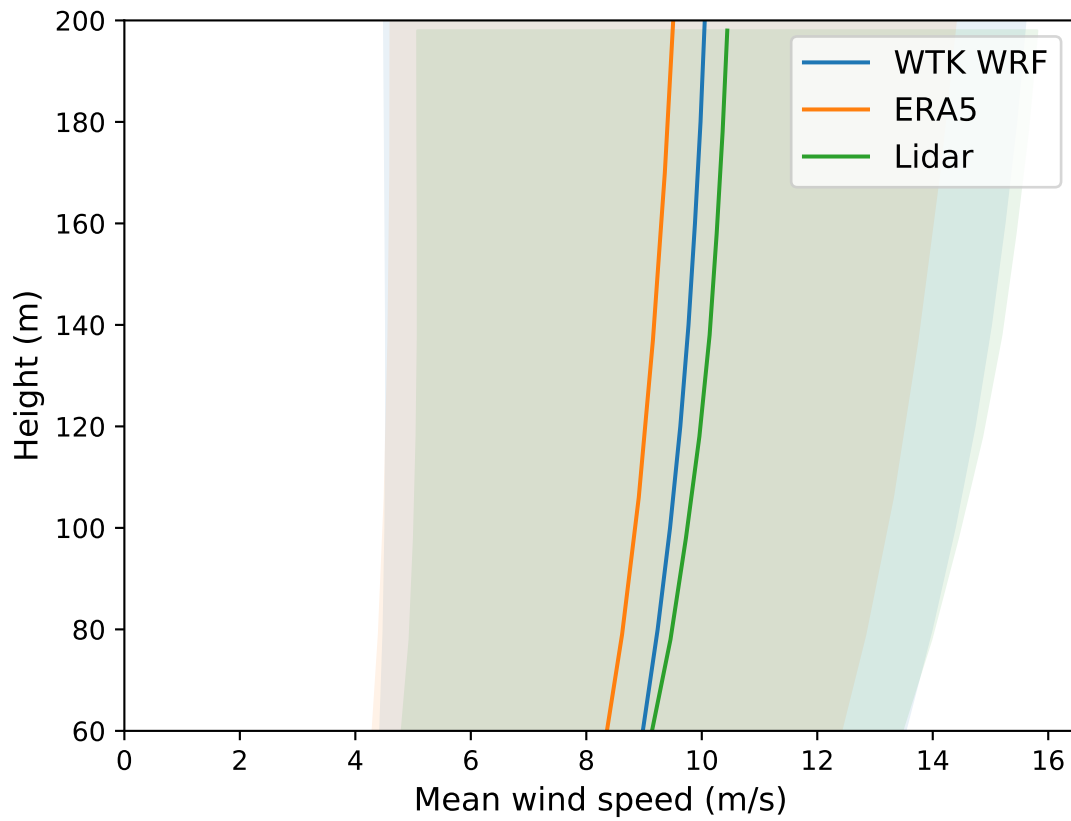
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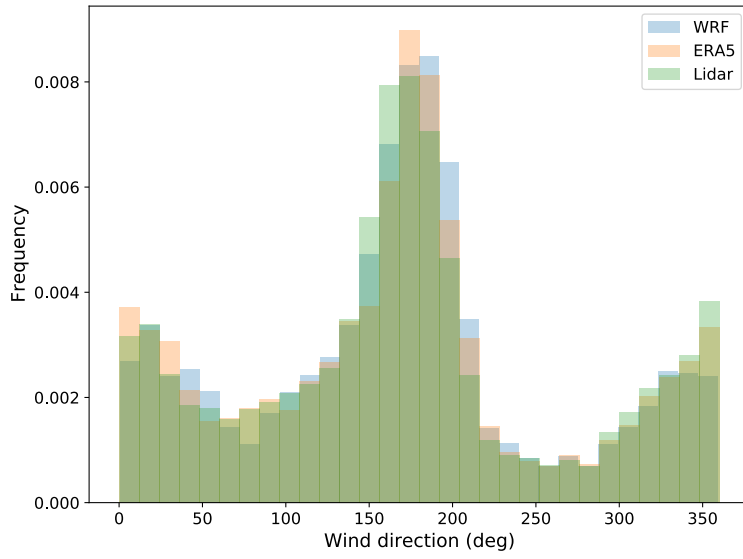
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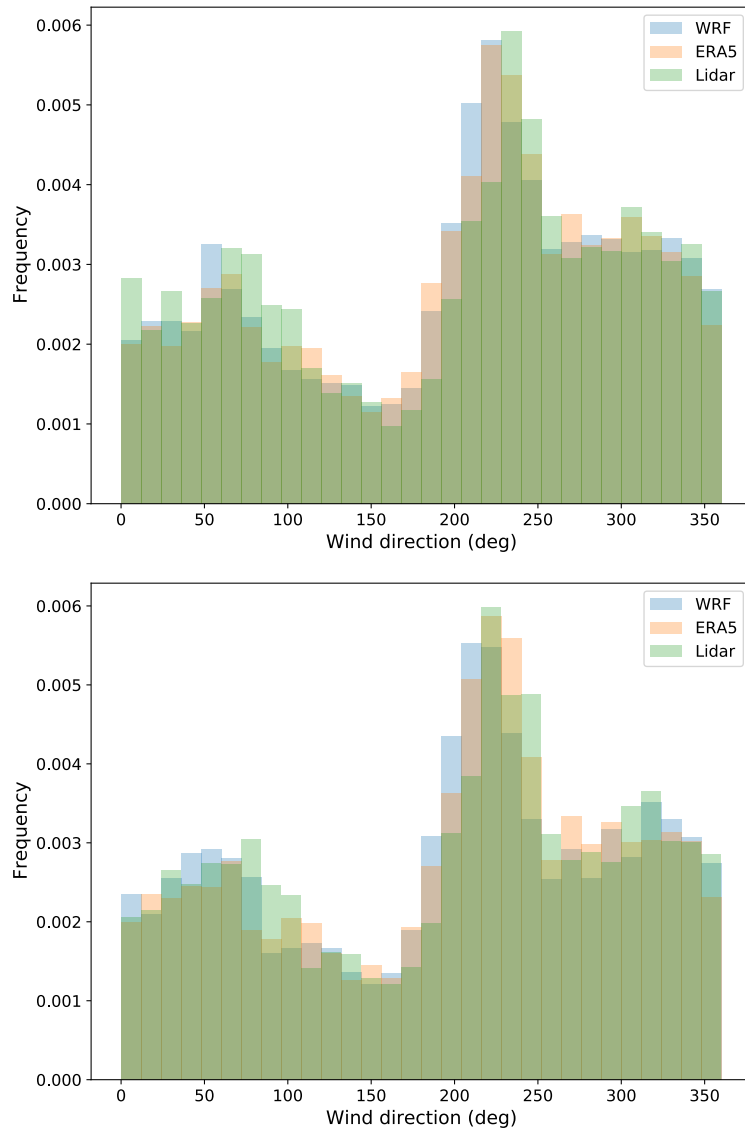
**Figure S1.** (a) Wind rose showing the distribution of wind speeds at 98 m AGL for September 2019 to August 2020, using observations from the E06 floating lidar. (b) 24x12 heat map of the frequency of stable conditions at the E06 lidar location, classified in terms of the WRF-based bulk Richardson number calculated between 0 m and 200 m ASL. (c) same but for unstable conditions, (d) same but for neutral conditions.



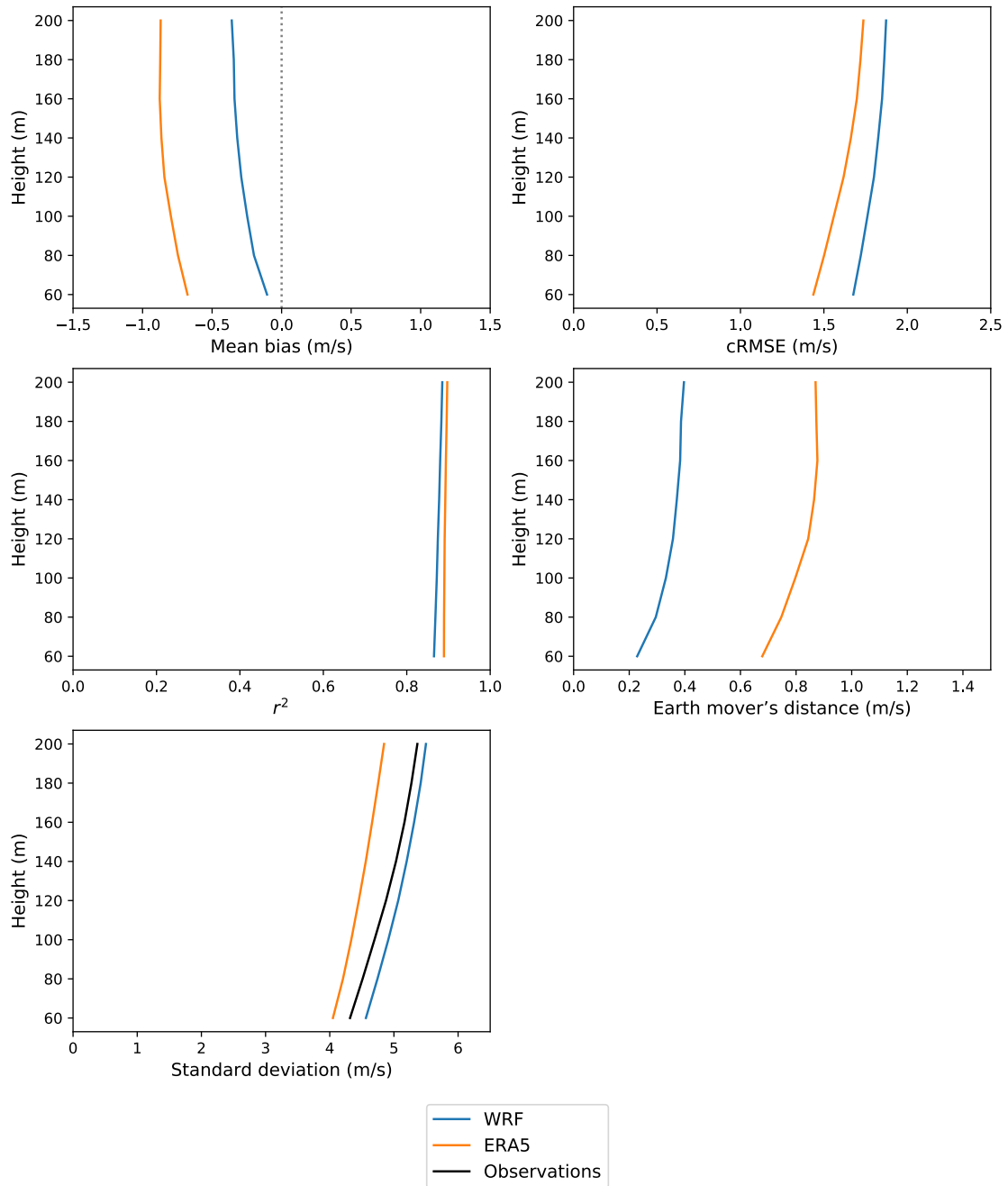
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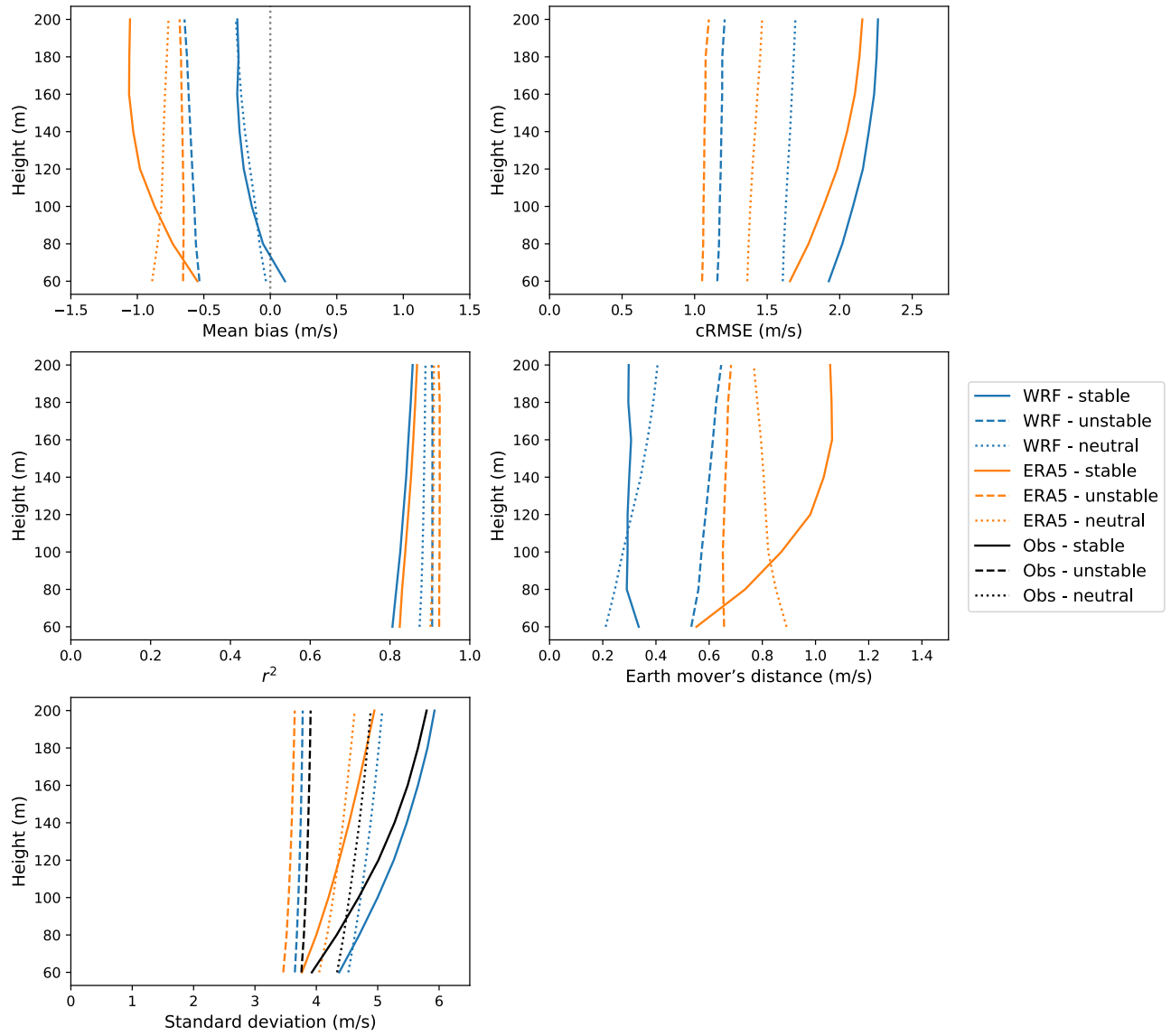
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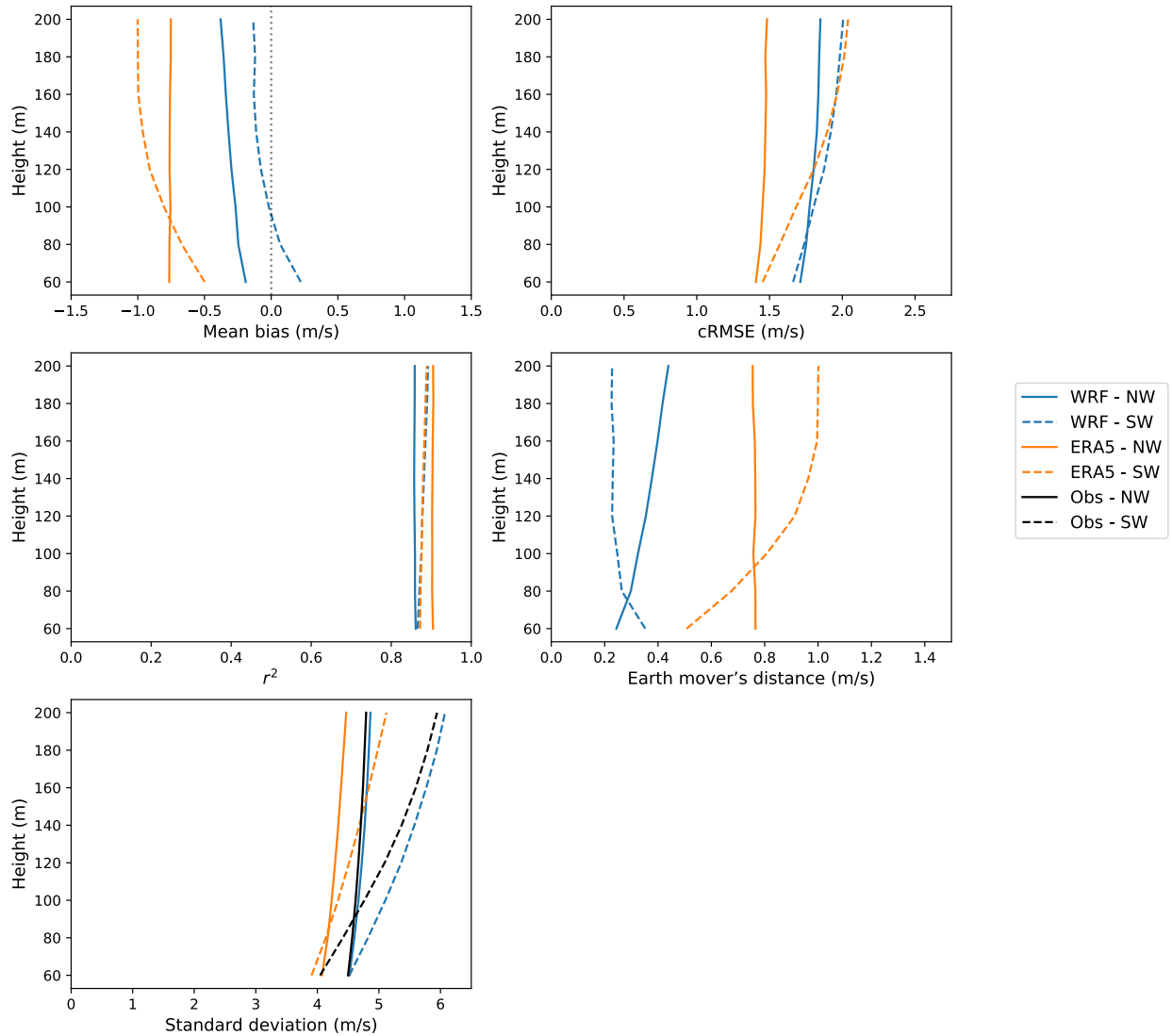
**Figure S4.** Histogram of 100-m wind direction from lidar data, WRF and ERA-5 at the E05 (top) and E06 (bottom) lidar locations.



**Figure S5.** Vertical profiles of mean bias, cRMSE,  $r^2$ , EMD, and comparison of standard deviations for the offshore test case using the E06 lidar.

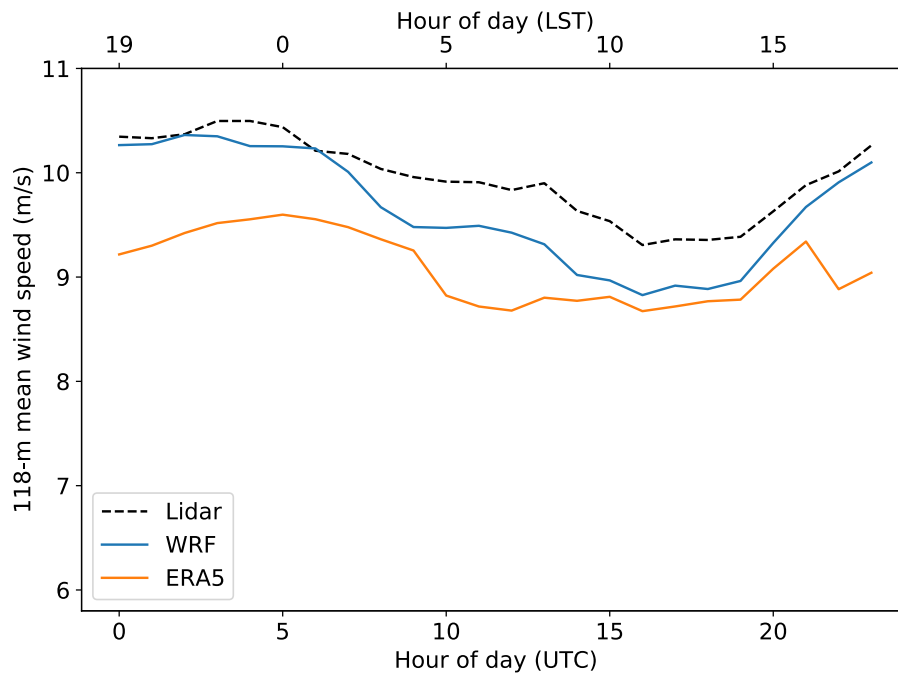


**Figure S6.** Vertical profiles of performance metrics segregated by stability for the offshore test case using the E06 lidar.

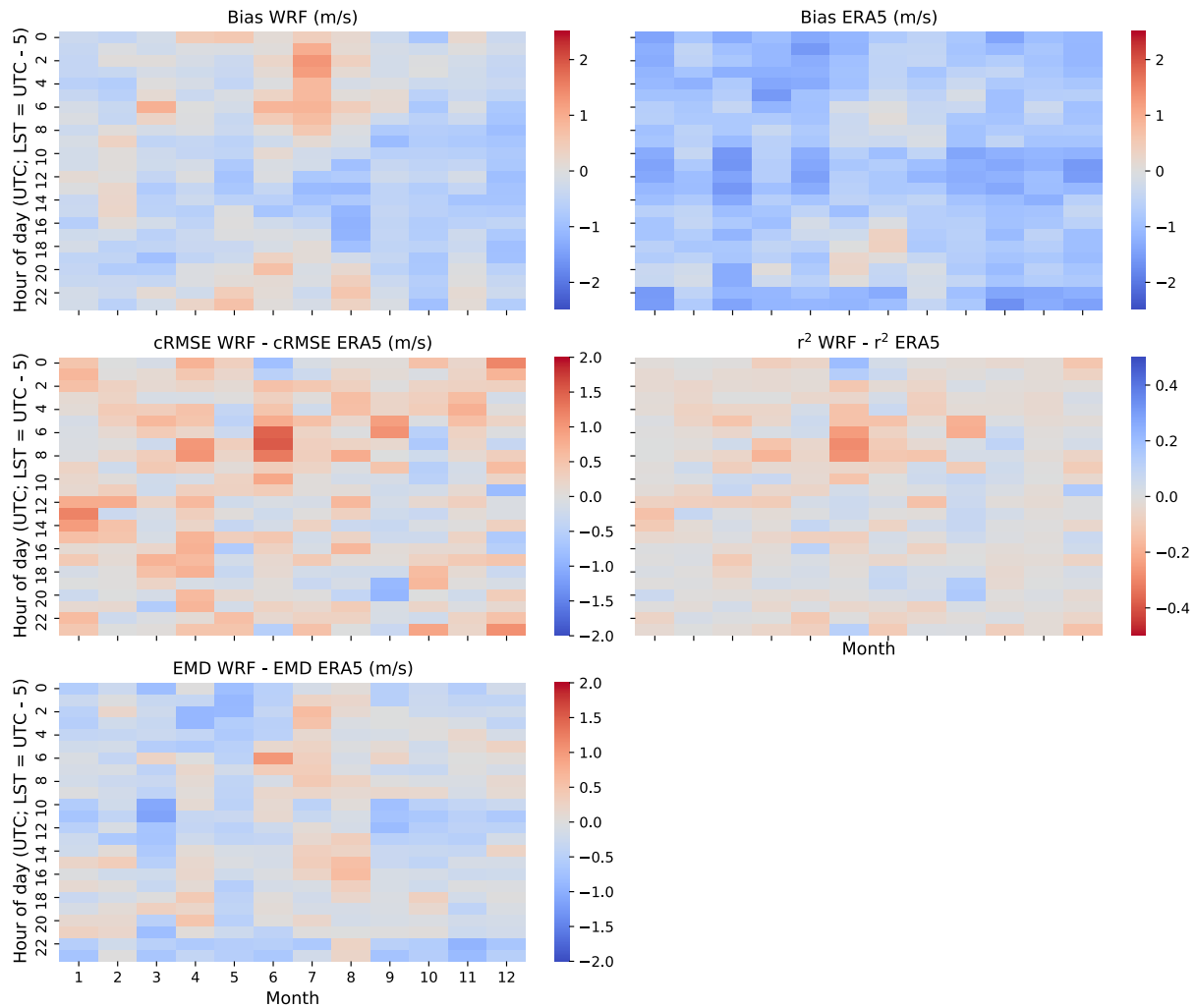


**Figure S7.** Vertical profiles of performance metrics segregated by wind direction for the offshore test case using the E06 lidar.





**Figure S8.** Average diurnal cycle of the ~120-meter wind speed from lidar, WRF, and ERA-5 at the location of the E06 lidar.



**Figure S9.** 24x12 heat maps at the location of the E06 lidar showing the diurnal and seasonal variability in the performance metrics for the 98-meter wind speed.