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Dragon 2 Project Lidar Cal/Val (ID 5291) Pre-launch validation of ADM-Aeolus over Greenland using Airborne Lidar's–

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Global Observing System for Weather Prediction

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Received observations at ECMWF within 24 h on 13 Feb 2006

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WMO Expert Team on Observational Data Requirements



and Redesign of the Global Observing System

Statement of Guidance for Global NWP (Dec 2009) and High-Resolution Numerical Weather Prediction (Feb 2010):

The critical atmospheric variables that are not adequately measured by the current or planned observing systems are (in order of priority):

1. wind profiles at all levels

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Atmospheric Dynamics Mission ADM-Aeolus



on-board averaging over 3-5 km horizontally on-ground processing to 100 km

ADM-Aeolus with single payload Atmospheric LAser Doppler Instrument ALADIN

- Observations of Line-of-Sight LOS wind profiles in troposphere to lower stratosphere up to 30 km with vertical resolution from 250 m 2 km horizontally averaged over 100 km
- Precision and accuracy rather than quantity: HLOS random error requirement
 - <1 m/s (z = 0 2 km, for Δz = 500 m)

<2 m/s (z = 2 - 16 km, for Δz = 1000 m), unknown bias <0.4 m/s, slope error <0.7 %

- First wind lidar and first High Spectral Resolution Lidar HSRL in space → vertical profiles of wind speed and aerosol and cloud properties (extinction, optical depth)
- Launch planned for end 2013

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Optical Remote Sensing with LIDAR



LIDAR (Light detection and ranging)

- Laser pulses are transmitted into the atmosphere where they are partly scattered on molecules, aerosols, clouds and ice particles.
- Scattered light is collected by a telescope and analyzed
- Depending on the state of the scatterer (T, p, aerosol content and type,...) the properties of the scattered light are changed. → atmospheric quantities can be derived.

Characteristics of lidar observations

- Measurement of vertical profiles with adjustable vertical resolution
- Random error can be determined for every observation; low systematic error and error correlations
- Data retrieval in clear air and partly cloudy conditions possible



ADM-Aeolus: Some impressions of flight hardware



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ADM-Aeolus Pre-Launch Validation The ALADIN airborne demonstrator A2D at DLR



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 3 Flight Campaigns performed to validate instrument and support of algorithm development in 2007, 2008, and 2009 over mid-Europe and Greenland-Iceland



- Investigation of Rayleigh-Brillouin scattering in air from mountain observatory "Schneefernerhaus" (2650 m) in 2009 → Experiments on Rayleigh-Brillouin scattering in air
- About 100 recommendations for ESA satellite ALADIN derived
- Activities funded by DLR and ESA
- Reitebuch et al. (2009): A2D design, JAOT
- Paffrath et al. (2009): Radiometric performance, JAOT
- Li et al. (2010): Sea surface reflectance in UV, JAOT
- Witschas et al (2010): Rayleigh-Brillouin scattering, Appl. Opt.
- Witschas (2011): Analytical Model for Rayleigh-Brillouin lineshape, Appl. Opt.



Main objectives of ADM-Aeolus airborne campaign over Iceland and Greenland in September 2009





- 1.) In-flight response calibration with nadir pointing over ice
- 2.) Observations of high wind speeds in combination with high vertical and horizontal shear
- 3.) Obtain data set for sea-surface reflectance for high sea surface winds and measurements with anisotropic reflectance

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Flight Tracks in September 2009

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QuikSCAT observations of sea surface wind speed



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Wind lidar comparison: ADM-prototype A2D vs. 2-µm lidar





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Wind lidar comparison: ADM-prototype A2D vs. 2-µm lidar Statistical comparison

statistical comparison of 2-µm and A2D Rayleigh/MIE channel line-of-sight (LOS) wind speed (97 vertical profiles)





Summary and Conclusion





- Wind profiles are still missing observation with highest priority for global and regional numerical weather prediction.
- ADM-Aeolus will sense the vertical profile of wind with a vertical resolution of 250-1000 m up to the lower stratosphere (20-30 km) with high accuracy of 1-2 m/s.
- Principle of calibration over Ice and wind retrieval for ADM-Aeolus was validated with an airborne demonstrator (by DLR) during an airborne campaign at Iceland and Greenland.
- Dragon 2 activities are used to prepare and coordinate a Chinese-European effort to validate ADM-Aeolus mission after launch with ground and airborne campaigns in 2014.

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