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Observing **Earth System Dynamics**

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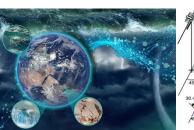


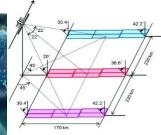
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Overview

- Relevance, earth system science, dynamical coupling ocean and atmosphere
- Missions (share and enjoy ©)
 - ESA ERS-1, ERS-2, EUMETSAT ASCAT, SCA, ocean vector winds, sea ice, soil moisture, rain
 - NASA QuikScat, ISRO OSCAT-1/2(ScatSat)/3, NSOAS HY2A/B/C/D, NASA Zephyr, "
 - NSOAS/CNES CFOSAT, CMA WindRad, ocean vector winds, sea ice, soil moisture, rain
 - NASA CYGNSS, ocean wind speed, ocean waves
 - ESA EE10 HARMONY, ESA EE11 SeaStar, ocean winds, ocean currents, SST, cloud motion
 - ESA Aeolus, winds and aerosol and clouds
 - ESA EarthCare, 3D clouds and radiation
 - Cloud Motion Winds, GEO & LEO
- Involved in mission design, development, Cal/Val, NWP calibration
- Geophysical processing, services
- User applications (extremes, waves, surges, weather, climate processes, climate monitoring, economy, energy, civil protection, . . .)















Atmospheric dynamics

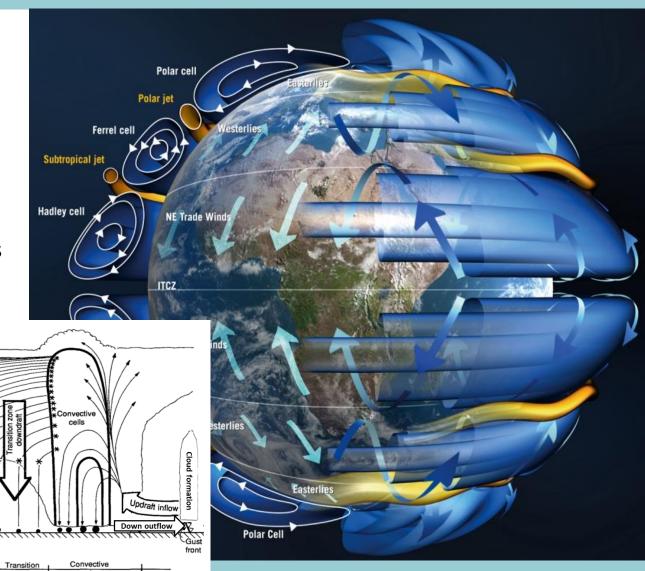
- Climate change
 - Temperature/radiation?
 - Atmospheric stability?
 - Humidity/clouds/rain?
- Dynamics change?
 - Hurricanes/tornado's
 - Jet streams/climate zones
 - Ocean carbon exchange

Stratiform region

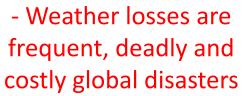
Ocean heating

Cloud shield ~

Outflow

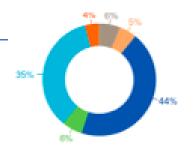


Protecting people and infrastructure



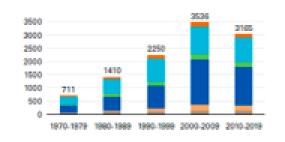
- Subject to climate change
 - More vulnerable infrastructure

- Lives and costs are saved by weather warnings

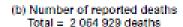


Drought

34%

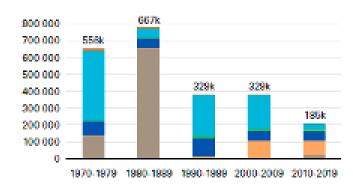


Storm



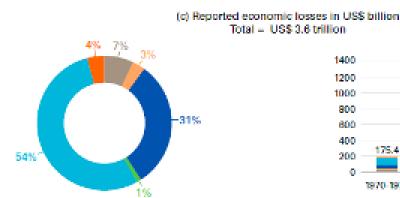
Flood

Extreme temperature



losses

Landslide

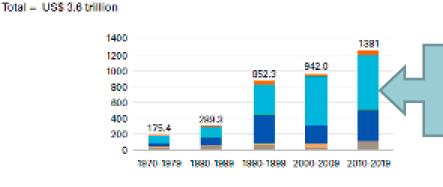


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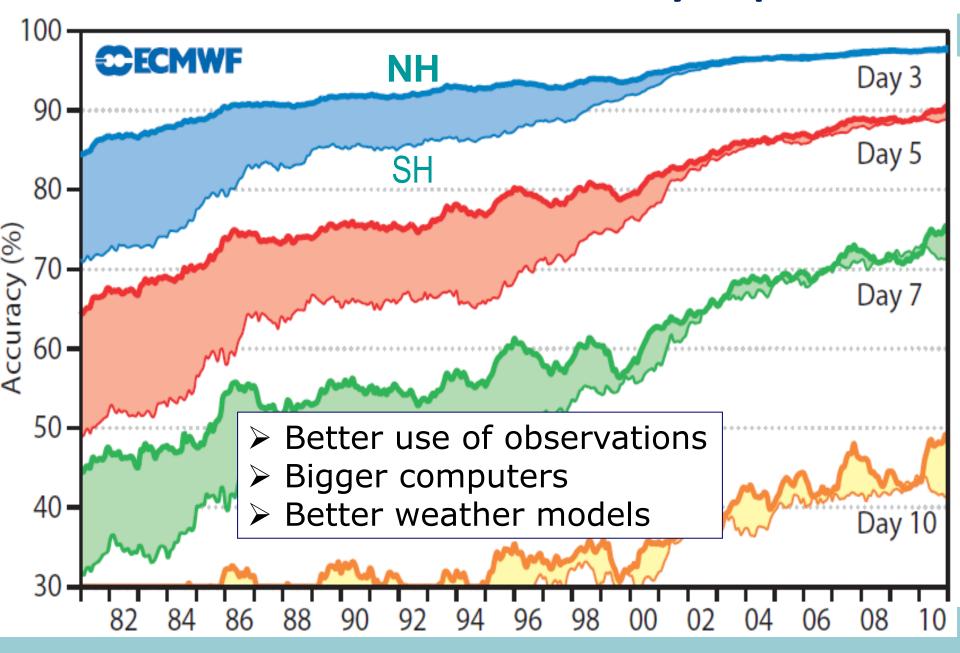
Wildfire

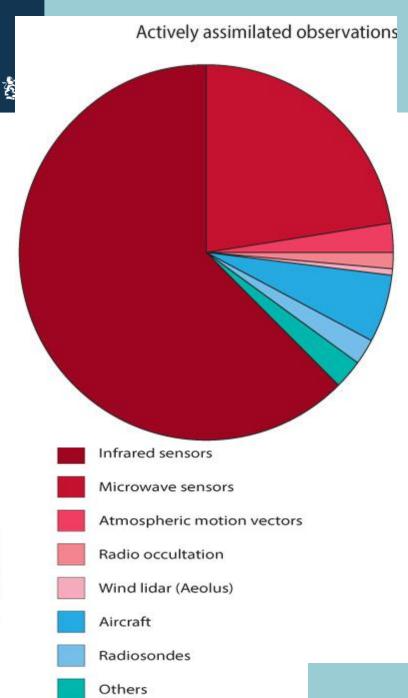
Storm

Improved warnings More heat

Wildfire

Weather forecasts continually improve





ECMWF uses ~100 different satellite instruments in near-real time

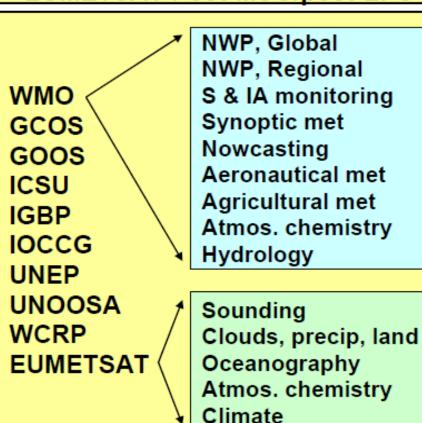
- > Still new instruments
- What observations are particularly needed?

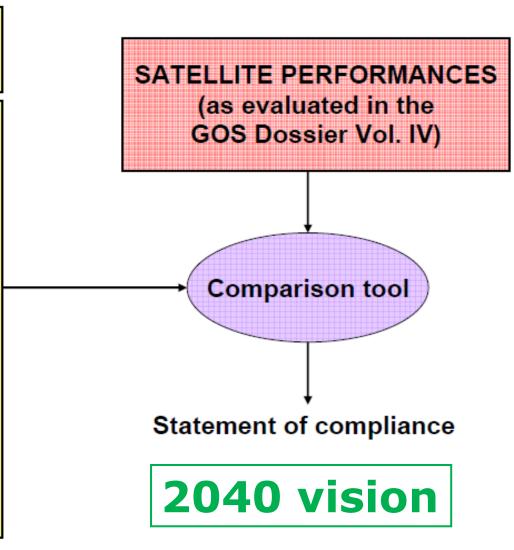
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WMO G(C)OS gap analysis

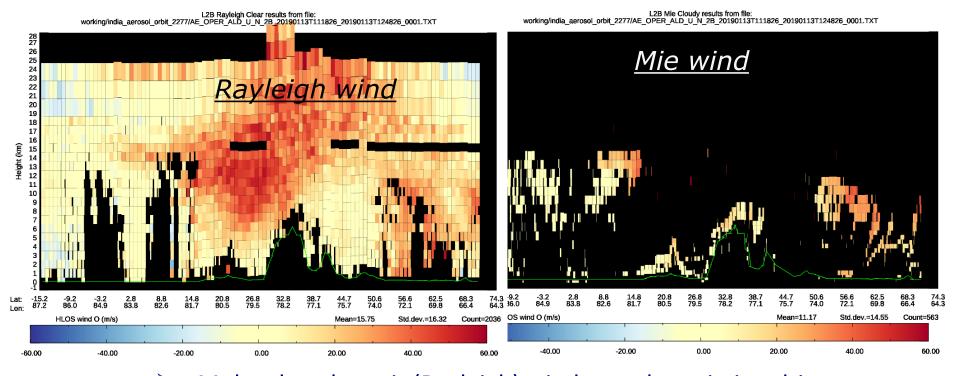
USER REQUIREMENTS from WMO/CEOS database and EUMETSAT Post-MSG/post-EPS





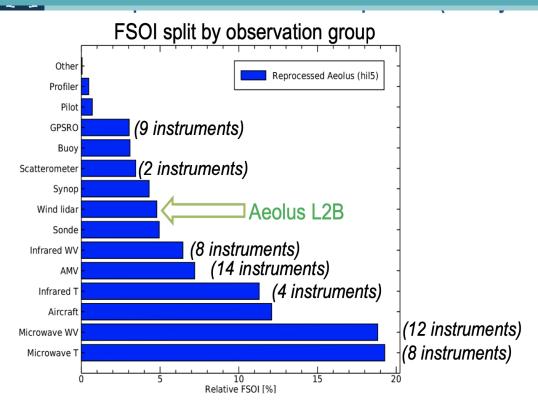


Aeolus winds



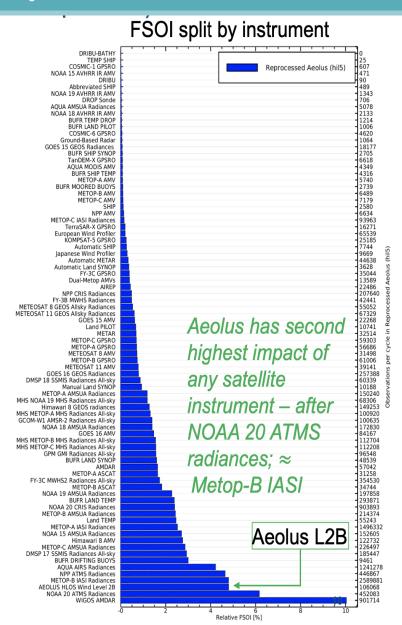
- Molecular clear air (Rayleigh) winds are the mission driver
- Cloud/aerosol particle (Mie) winds are complementary
- No winds below optically dense clouds
- Aeolus atmospheric return factor 3 too low

FSOI Scores showing impact of Aeolus at ECMWF, reprocessed 3-27 Sept 2019

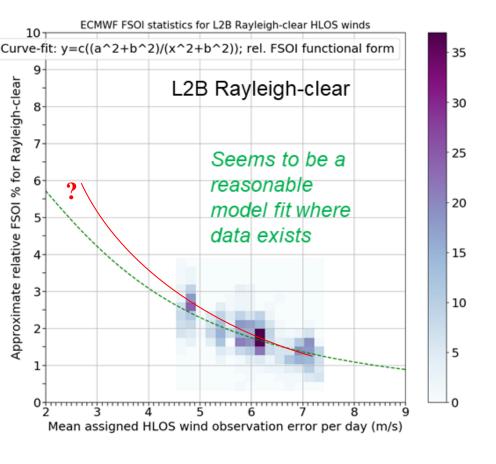


- For this period with good atmospheric signal and reprocessing, Aedius provides 4.8% relative FSOI – compare this to ~3.2% for first half 2020 operations
 - Aeolus ≈ radiosondes, > scatterometer & GPSRO
- Shows the importance of DWL in NWP
 - ... even with less useful signal than expected pre-launch





What NWP impact can we expect from Aeolus-2 DWL with enhanced signal?



- FSOI is a measure for 24-hour forecast error variance reduction
- Compute enhanced variance contribution (green line)

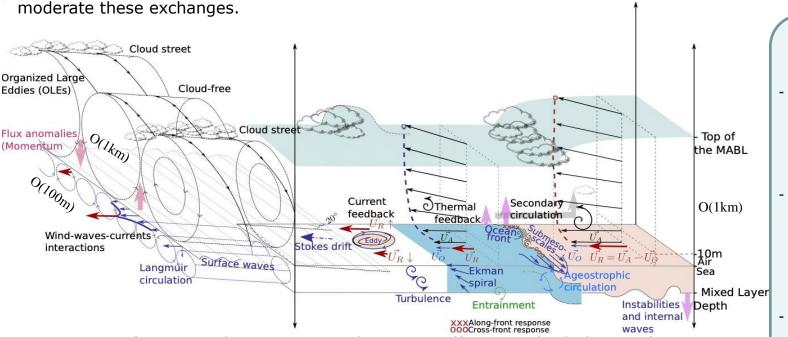
Alternatively:

- Models of dynamical error growth are linear in first 24 hours
- A factor of 2 for small changes and scalable w.r.t. FSOI
- Analysis error $\sigma_A = \text{sqrt}[(\sigma_O^2 + \sigma_B^2)/\sigma_O^2 \cdot \sigma_B^2)]$
- Background error σ_B is about 2 m/s, x = observation error σ_O
- y = improvement or c. $(\sigma_A \sigma_B)$: red line
- Scales sampling and ignores changes in sampling w.r.t. σ_0
- Can we use OSSE to address this extrapolation?



Processes at the air-sea interface

Exchanges of **heat, gas, momentum** at the air-sea interface depend on the **thermal, chemical, kinematic** unbalance between ocean and atmosphere that are modulated by many **small-scale processes** that substantially



- Atmosphere and ocean are dynamically coupled through parameterizations with errors
- > 70% of earth's surface
- Tropical modes are poorly described (El Nino, MJO, Tropical Instability Waves, ..)
- Will these modes change in a changing climate? With what consequence?

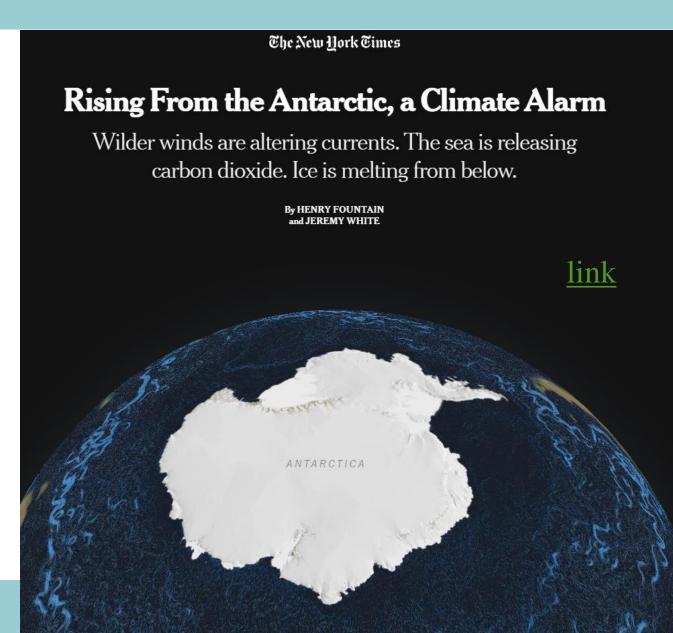
Air-sea fluxes

- depend on
- Surface stress (impacted by ocean velocity and by air velocity, which is affected by SST)
- Houndary layer thickness (which varies by 2 orders of magnitude in different stability conditions)
- Km-scale ocean (eddy) dynamical circulations and phenomena



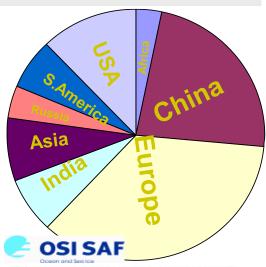
Ocean/ice dynamics

- 3D circulation/ transport, mixing
- Affects heat/carbon budgets
- Melts sea ice, accelerates land ice
- Sea level rise
- Crucial for climate change impact and understanding
- Satellite capability limited to surface
- Interior dynamics by ARGO floats





OSISAF Satellite Wind Services

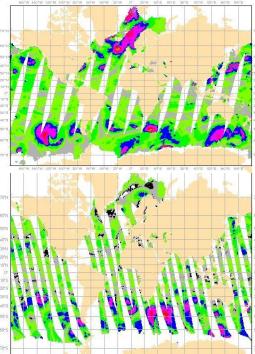


24/7 L2 Wind services (EUMETSAT SAF)

- International constellation of satellites
- High quality winds, QC
- Timeliness 30 min. 2 hours
- Service messages
- QA, monitoring

L2 software services (NWP SAF)

- Portable Wind Processors
- ECMWF model comparison
- L2/L3/L4 Climate Data records
- CMEMS Wind services, C3S storm atlas
- Organisations involved: KNMI, EUMETSAT, EU, ESA, NASA, NOAA, ISRO, CMA, WMO, CEOS, ...
- Users: NHC, JTWC, ECMWF, NOAA, NASA, NRL, BoM, UK MetO, M.France, DWD, CMA, JMA, CPTEC, NCAR, . . .

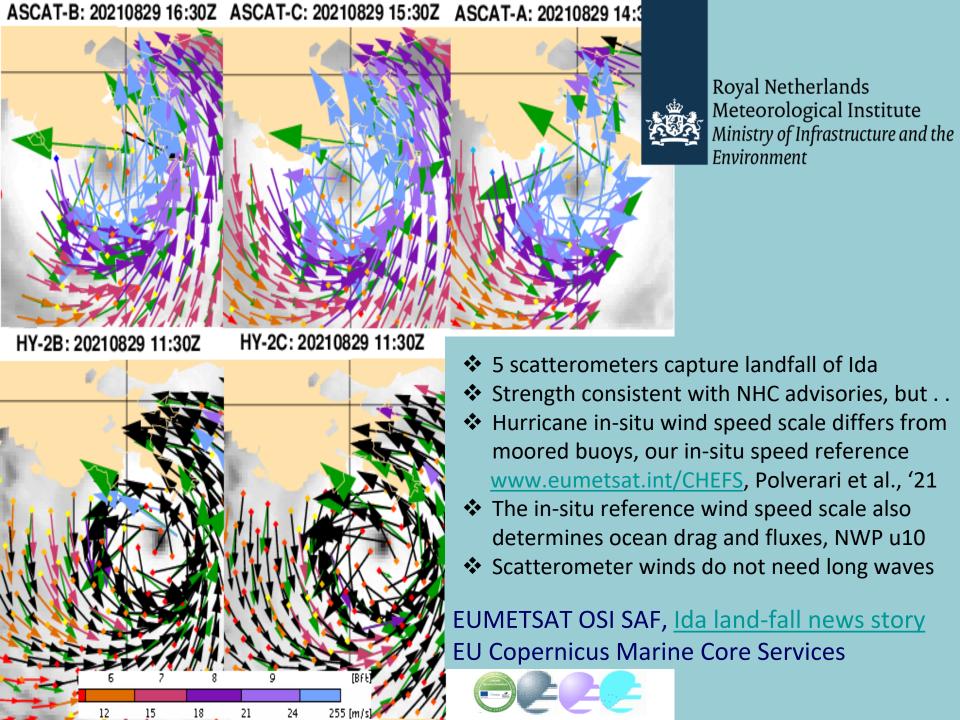


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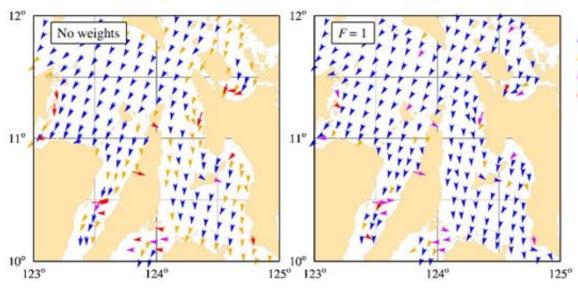
Wind Scatterometer Support, scat@knmi.nl







Coastal ASCAT and wind quality



- ▲ 10 m/s
- MLE flag
- VarQC flag
- ♣ Both flags
 - Accurate wind vectors
 - Close to the coast

Vogelzang et al, 2021

12°	F=2	12°	Subset	Buoys		ASCAT-A		ScatSat		ECMWF	
+				σ_u	σ_v	σ_u	σ_v	σ_u	σ_v	σ_u	σ_v
			bAS	1.03	1.12	0.41	0.49	0.78	0.65		
11°	THE WAY A	110	bAE	1.06	1.15	0.34	0.41			0.94	1.03
	(1) 10 mm		bSE	1.09	1.21			0.72	0.59	0.92	1.03
			ASE			0.43	0.49	0.76	0.65	0.90	0.98
10°	3° 124° 12	10°	range	0.06	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.06	0.06	0.04	0.05

Figure 4.1 "Part of the Philippines recorded January 1, 2017, with exponential radar cross section weights of various strength.

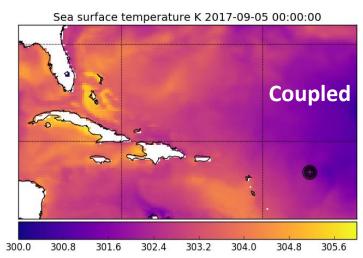


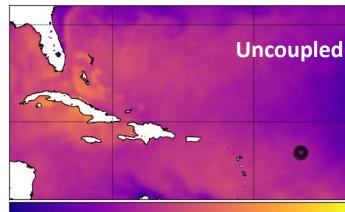




Need for accurate extreme winds

- Nowcasting, where dropsondes are the adopted wind speed reference; if the wind speed reference would change, hurricane categories change too, as everything relies on dropsonde wind speed calibration (SFMR, Dvorak, passive satellite ocean winds, ...)
- NWP, to formulate **drag** and air-sea interaction stresses
- Oceanography, to determine ocean mixing depth in hurricanes (see deep cold water track behind hurricane =>)
- Climate monitoring, to determine climate change at the extremes, i.e., recalibrate past records
- Climate prediction, to well describe complex extra-tropical and tropical coupled ocean-atmosphere dynamics (CO₂, heat, H₂O, ...)
- Improved description of hurricane dynamics
- Satellite ocean surface wind speed calibration for active and passive microwave remote sensing





Tony McNally, ECMWF



Higher level ocean vector wind services

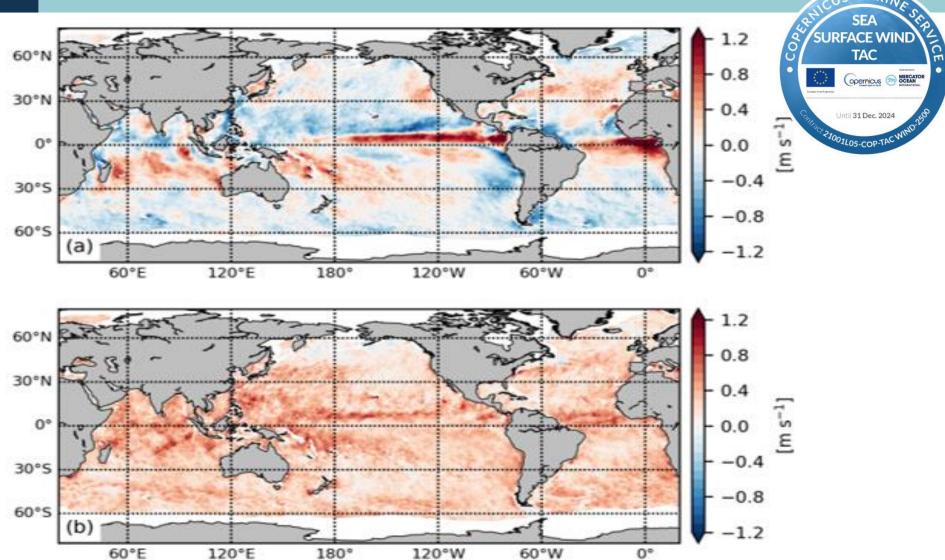


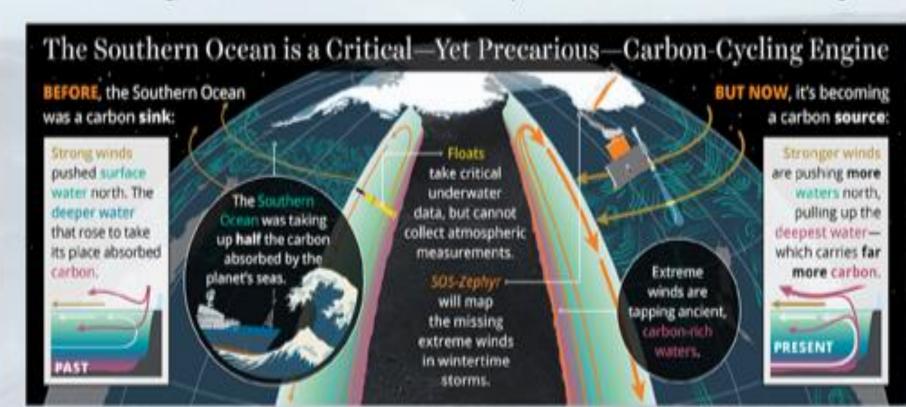
Figure 2: Annual mean meridional (a) wind speed difference and (b) transient wind speed difference between scatterometer (Metop-A ASCAT) and collocated ECMWF ERA5 for 2018.



SOS TEPHYR

Southern Ocean Storms – Zephyr

Measuring Southern Ocean Winds from Space to Close the Carbon Budget





Earth's Dynamics from Space

- Winds determine hurricanes, weather, waves and surges, electricity, ocean forcing, heat and carbon budget, sea ice decline, climate change, ...
- Are used by marine forecasters, in NWP, by oceanographers, wind engineers, off-shore industry, safety authorities, climate scientists, . . .
- More become available through international exchange (virtual constellation)
- Ongoing technical development of capability
- We can well use new satellites, but certainly more resources for improved exploitation of existing satellites in society
- Open services and computer clouds allow earth collaboration and further scientific progress
- Data science is prominent and advanced statistical physics-informed methods have been developed for instrument monitoring, retrieval and applications
- Share the earth, it's satellites, it's science and it's services!





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Active Instruments group leader, Satellite Division, <u>KNMI</u> Verified email at knmi.nl - <u>Homepage</u> Wind satellite NWP data assimilation

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Today's status of KNMI wind processing

•	ASCAT-A, MetOp	o-A: 2007- 2021	9:30 LST	, End-of-service announced
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• ASCAT-B, MetOp-B: 2012- healthy 9:30 LST

ASCAT-C, MetOp-C: 2018- healthy 9:30 LST, Excellent for wind changes in convection

OSCAT-2, ScatSat-1: 2017- Feb 2021 8:45 LST, Excellent for Ku/C intercalibration

OSCAT-3, OceanSat3: Q1 2022 12:00 LST

• HSCAT-B, HY2B: 2018- healthy 6:00 LST

HSCAT-C, HY2C: 2020- healthy Not sun-synchronous, regresses

HSCAT-D, HY2D: 2021- healthy Regresses, commissioning

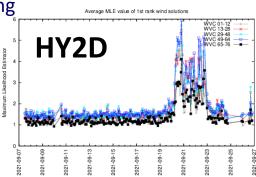
CSCAT, CFOSAT: 2019- demo Stability issues, nadir issues

• WindRad, FY3E: 5/7/'21- healthy 5:30 LST, commissioning

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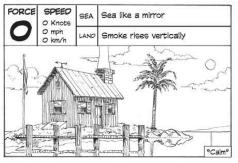
- Vector wind CDRs for ERS (1991-1999), QuikScat (1999-2009),
 ASCAT (2007-), OSCAT (2014+), needed to monitor re-analyses
- Reanalyses are subject to changing inputs

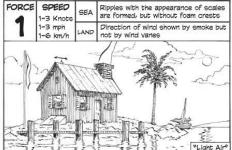


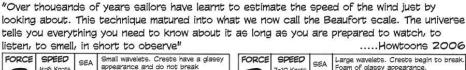


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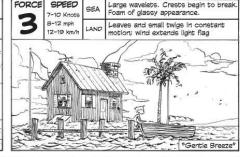
The Beaufort Scale

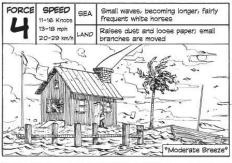


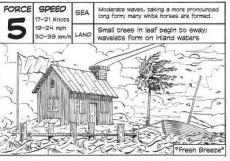


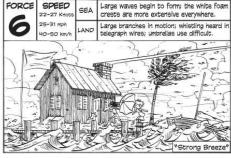




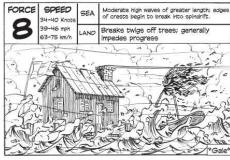


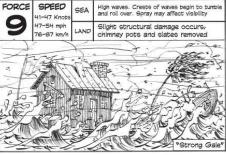


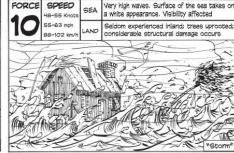


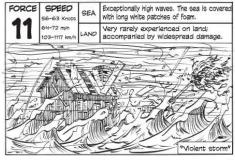










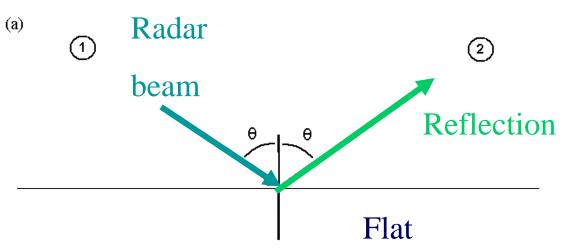






Scatterometer research partners abroad

- Marcos Portabella, Ku-band scatterometry, 8 years at KNMI
- Wenming Lin, 7 years at ICM, wind variability/rain; now at NUIST on CFOSAT
- Ana Trindade, ERA*, ICM
- Giuseppe Grieco, 3 years at KNMI, 1 year at ICM, now CNR
- Federico Cossu, EUMETSAT wind fellow at ICM
- Zhixiong Wang, Ku GMF with SST correction, product comparison Ku/C, now prepares data for ECMWF data assimilation experiments and WindRad, NUIST
- Xingou Xu at NSSC, Machine Learning, Beijing
- NOAA hurricane hunters, USA
- IFREMER MAXSS, GlobCurrent, SAR winds
- Sean Healy, data assimilation, ECMWF
- Scatterometer Cal/Val: EUMETSAT, NASA, ESA, ISRO, NSOAS, CMA, CNES
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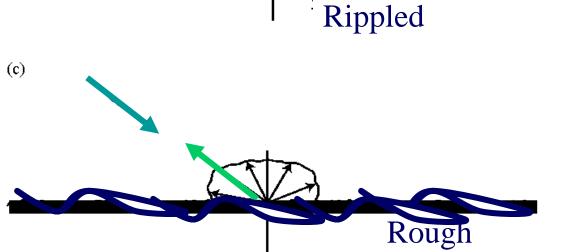
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Back-

scattering

Scatterometer?

- ➤ Interference with cmwaves (Bragg)
- The more wind, the more μgolf scattering
- Also depending on wind direction



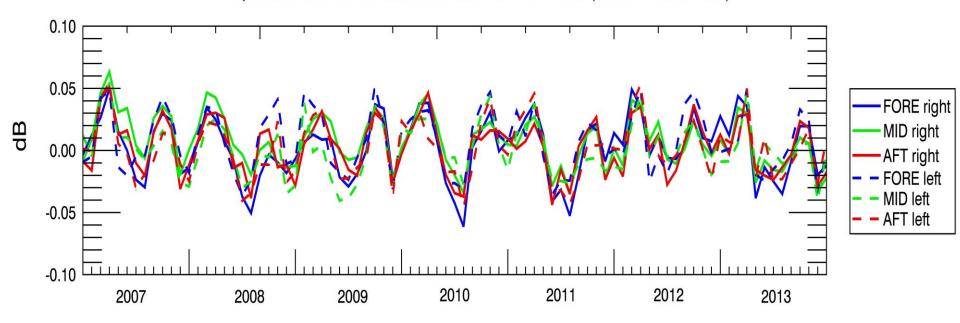
ASCAT scatterometer



Scatterometers are very stable

- ASCAT-A beams stay within a few hundreds of a dB (eq. to m/s)
- Cone position variation due to seasonal wind variability
- Reference for climate research (to check reanalyses)

reprocessed ASCAT A beam offsets from CONE METRICS (relative to mean 2013)

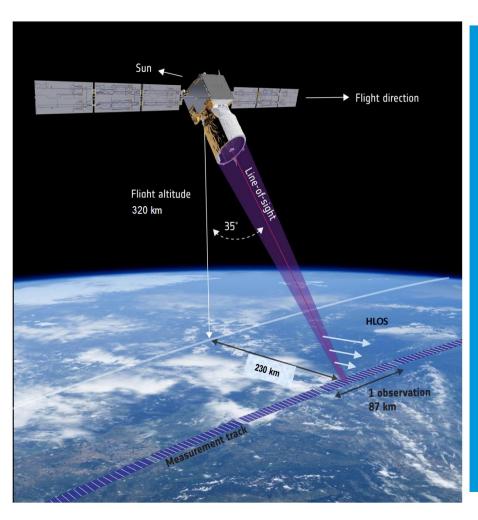






ADM-Aeolus Measurement Principle (1/2)





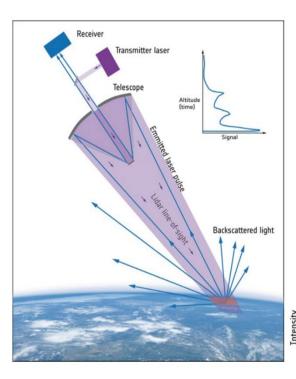
- UV Doppler wind Lidar operating at 355 nm and 50 Hz PRF in continuous mode, with 2 receiver channels (HSRL):
 - Mie receiver (aerosol & cloud backscatter)
 - Rayleigh receiver (molecular backscatter)
- The line-of-sight is pointing 35° from nadir to derive horizontal wind component
- The line-of-sight is pointing orthogonal to the ground track velocity vector to avoid contribution from the satellite velocity
- Spacecraft regularly pointed to nadir for calibration

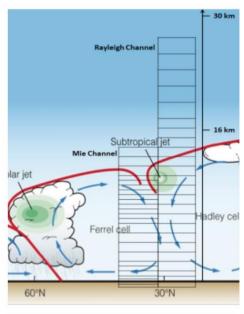
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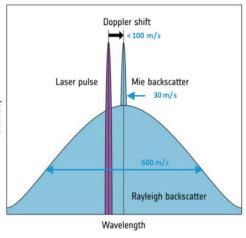


Doppler - Equation:

$$\Delta f = 2f_0 \frac{\mathbf{V}_{LOS}}{c}$$





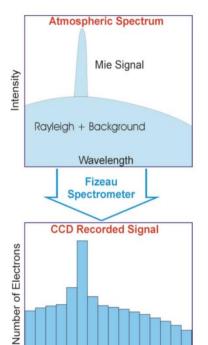


Mie channel:

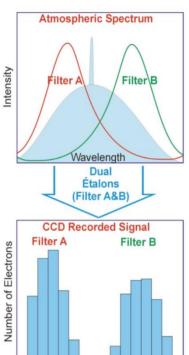
- Aerosol/cloud backscatter
- Imaging technique

Rayleigh channel:

- Molecular backscatter
- Double-edge technique



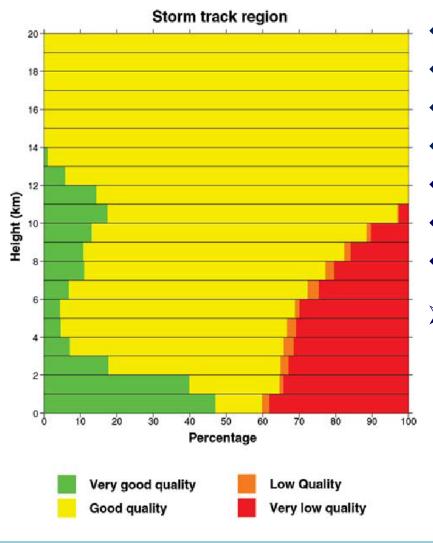
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Aeolus: What did we expect in 1999?



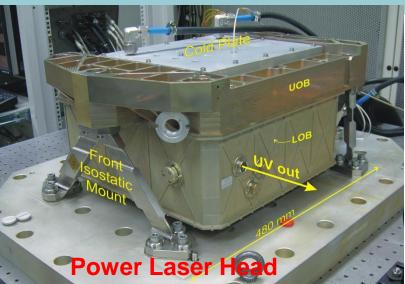
- Molecules most of the time (largely yellow)
- Particles part of the time (largely green)
- Not much in cloudy regions (red)
- Radiosonde quality winds, height resolved
- Improved NWP, 3D turbulence, circulation
- Tropics, UTLS
- Reference for improving satellite winds
- Why would this 2000 vision still work 20 years later, after a "silent revolution" in NWP?

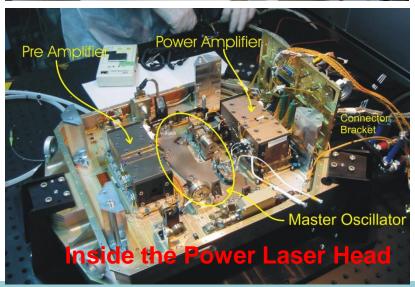




ADM-Aeolus was ready in 2017

- Aeolus: the first Doppler wind lidar in space, no heritage in design and testing
- Most of the novel technological developments completed and qualified for flight
- Most demanding is the high energy transmitter laser:
 - 120 mJ pulses (80 mJ initially) with
 - 50 Hz pulse repetition rate,
 - single frequency at
 - 355 nm wavelength, designed for long lifetime (3 years)
- This is pushing laser technology in many areas, like
 - optical coatings,
 - harmonic crystals,
 - pump laser diodes...
- And, e.g., satellite gyroscopes . . .







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To be considered by CGMS:

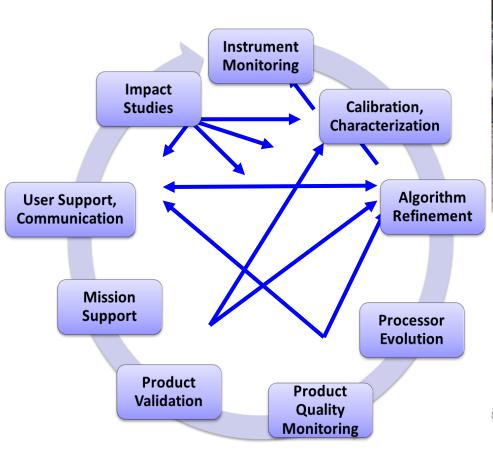
- ➤ Recommendation 1: For consideration by CGMS Plenary the IWWG recommends space agencies to address the gap of global 3D wind profile observations with high priority. Based on the Aeolus experience, a combination of lidar & IR missions can provide complimentary wind observations which look to be very promising.
- Aeolus shows significant positive impact on global NWP models as shown by ECMWF, Météo-France, Met Office, DWD, NOAA, JMA, NCMRWF and ECCC and is better than expected prior to launch.
- Operational assimilation at ECMWF, Météo-France, DWD and the Met Office.
- Strength within the entire assimilation scheme.
- Valuable as an AMV intercomparison dataset.





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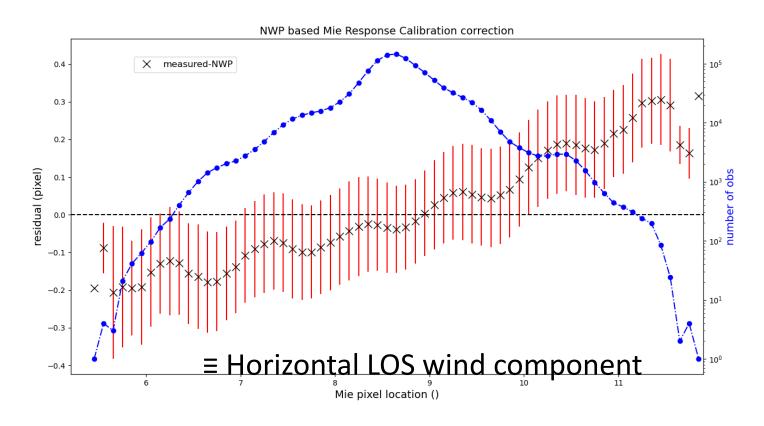








Spectral non-linear correction from NWP calibration

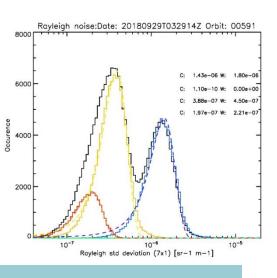


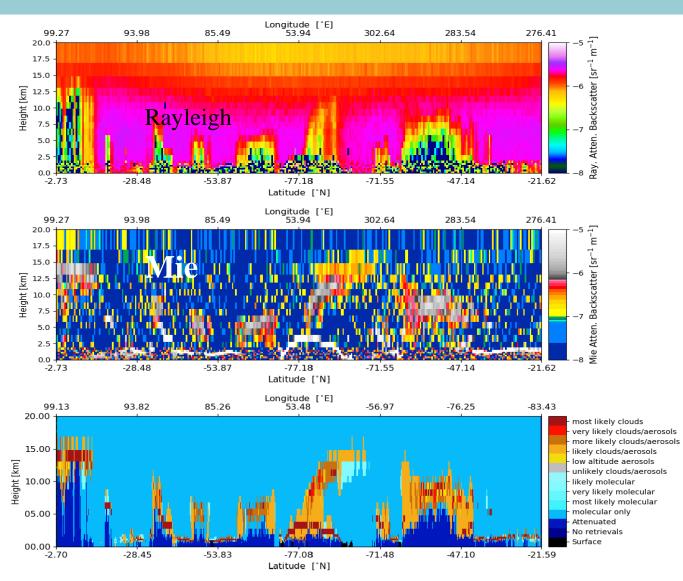
- Oscillation with ~constant periodicity on top of ~linear slope
- Slope is ~double the slope currently used (compare to slide 3)



Cloud and aerosol mask

- Noise analysis
- ❖ S/N PDFs
- S coherent, N random
- EarthCare ATLID tools
- First Aeolus test





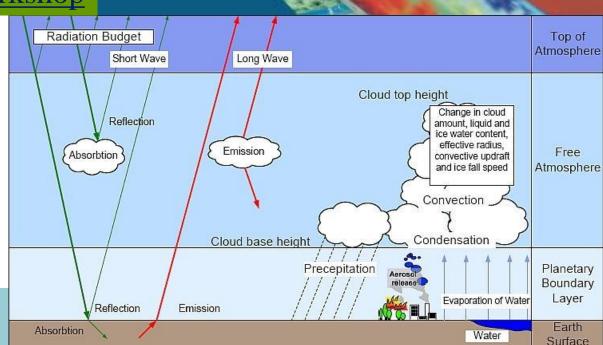
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EarthCare



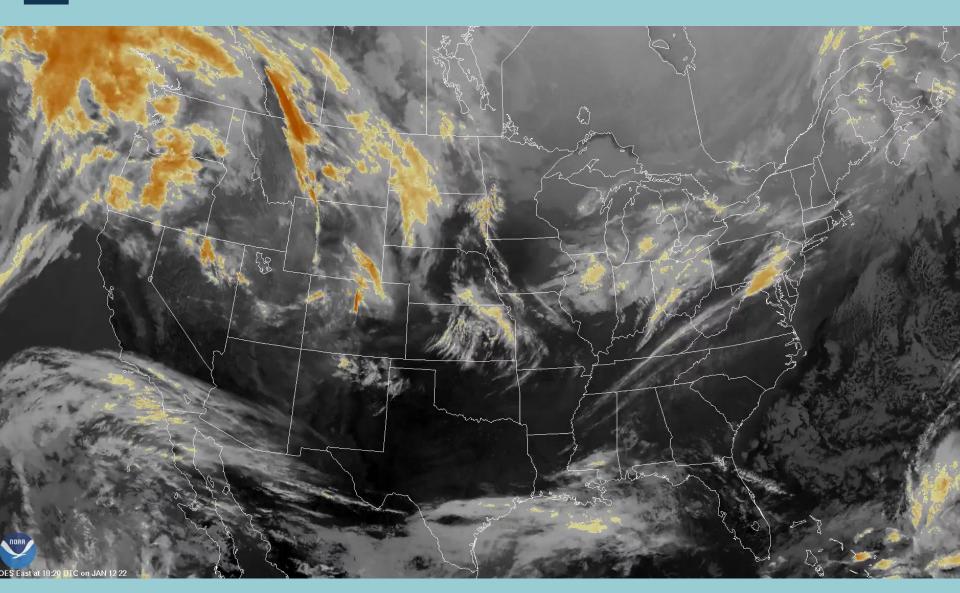
1st EarthCare validation workshop

- Lead lidar/radar retrieval
- Cardinal



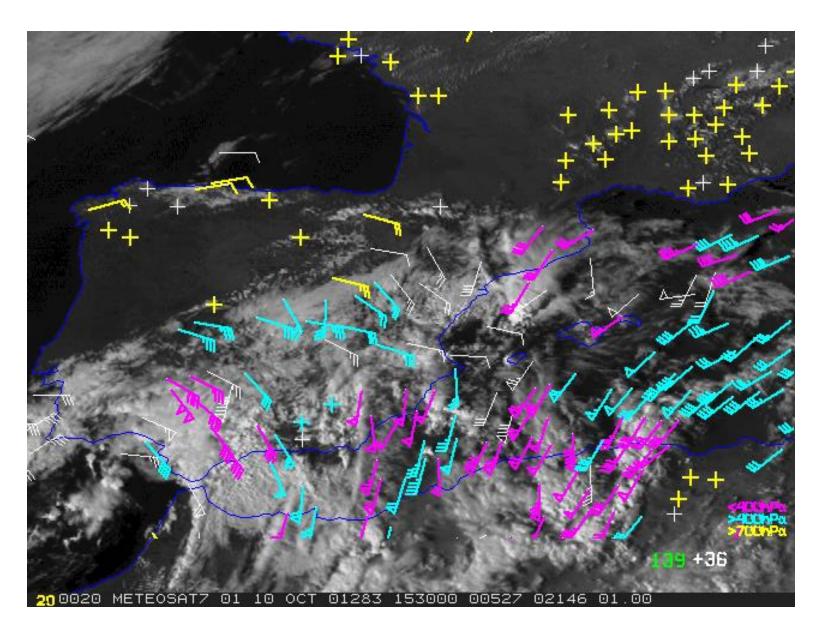


Satellite earth views



Upper air GEO and LEO cloud winds





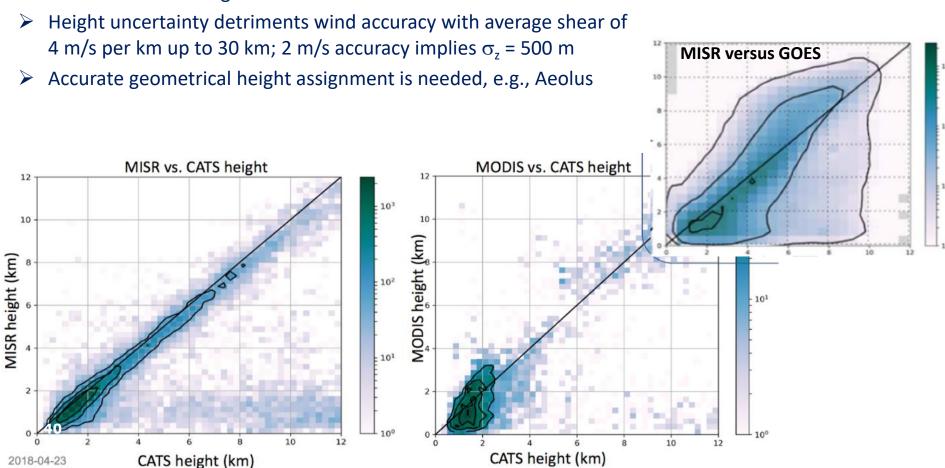


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How does Aeolus complement feature tracked winds?

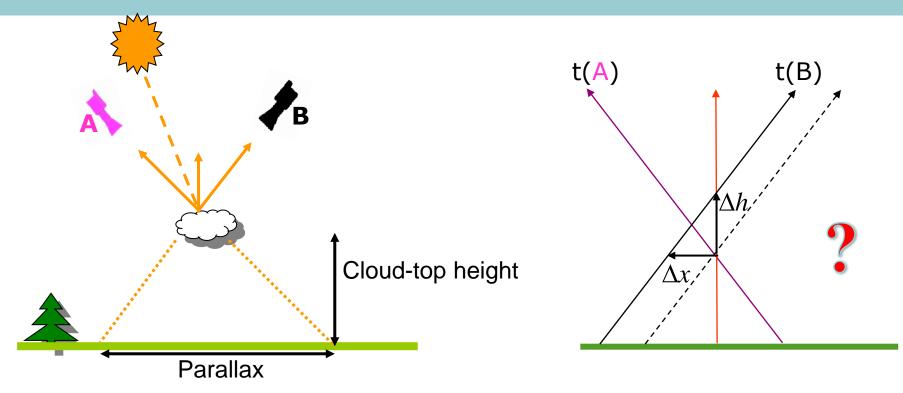


- Waves, convergence, cloud dynamics and wind; do observed features move with the wind?
- Do we know the height of these features?





gCMW: Principle stereo winds

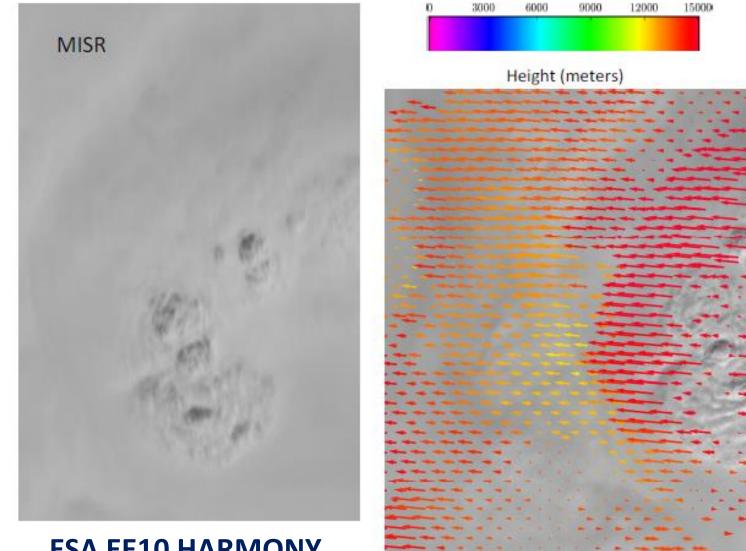


- \blacktriangleright The cloud transforms in 4 minutes, since for convection $\tau \sim 20$ minutes
- \succ t(A) \neq t(B); for θ = \pm 50 deg, Δ t \sim 250s or 4 min.; $\Delta x \neq 0$ and $\Delta h \neq 0$
- Two satellites could match up fore and aft views, so that t(A) = t(B); $\Delta x = 0$ and $\Delta h = 0$ but h can be determined
- HARMONY ESA EE10

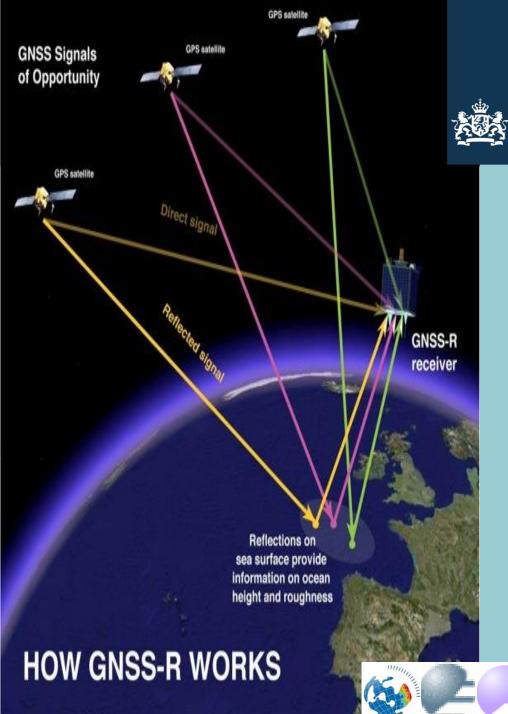
km-scale wind observations on cloud tops in Hurricane Ida (2009)

Wind Speed

10 m/s



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GNSS-R

- TechDemoSat since 2014
- CYGNSS launched succesfully on December 12 2016 with Pegasus
- EUMETSAT GOODIE fellow at KNMI from March '17-'20; now at ICM/CNR

