

First informal JOYCE meeting

Forschungszentrum Jülich

Date: 23.03.2011

Time: 13:00 – 15:00

Location: Seminar room 3010 or 3012, building 05.2, entrance E4

Preliminary schedule

13:00 – 13:05	Welcome and Introduction	
13:05 – 13:15	FZJ meteorological station	Axel Knaps
13:15 – 13:25	Solar actinic and SW radiation	Birger Bohn
13:25 – 13:35	MAX-DOAS measurements	Li Xin
13:35 – 13:45	Pulsed Doppler-LIDAR	Theo Brauers
13:45 – 13:55	Aerosol backscatter LIDAR	Cornelius Schiller
13:55 – 14:10	Site seeing of roof installations	
14:10 – 14:20	MIRA-36 cloud-radar	Kerstin Eboll
14:20 – 14:30	HATPRO	Gerrit Maschwitz
14:30 – 14:35	Ceilometer/Microradar/Cloud camera	Ulrich Löhnert
14:35 – 14:40	Infrared-spectrometer & synergistic products	Ulrich Löhnert
14:40 – 14:50	TR32 & JOYCE: proposed science objectives	Susanne Crewell
14:50 – 15:00	Discussion	

Meteorological Station of the FZ Jülich

- Observation Site ➔
- Meteorological Tower ➔
- Platforms ➔
- Data Acquisition and Handling ➔
- Meteorological Parameters ➔

Observation Site

- built in 1963-1964
- on a glade in the Stettenericher Forst



Tower

- height: 124 m
- 7 platforms
- electrically driven elevator
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- meteorolog. measurements
- dispersion experiments in 70th und 80th (TA-Luft)
- also used for atmospheric research by other institutes of the FZ Jülich

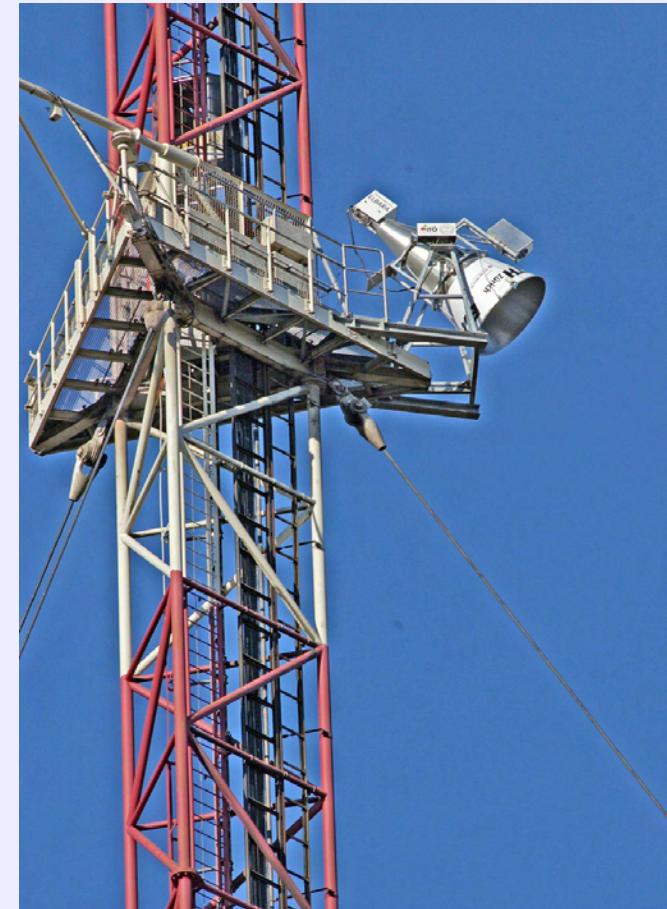


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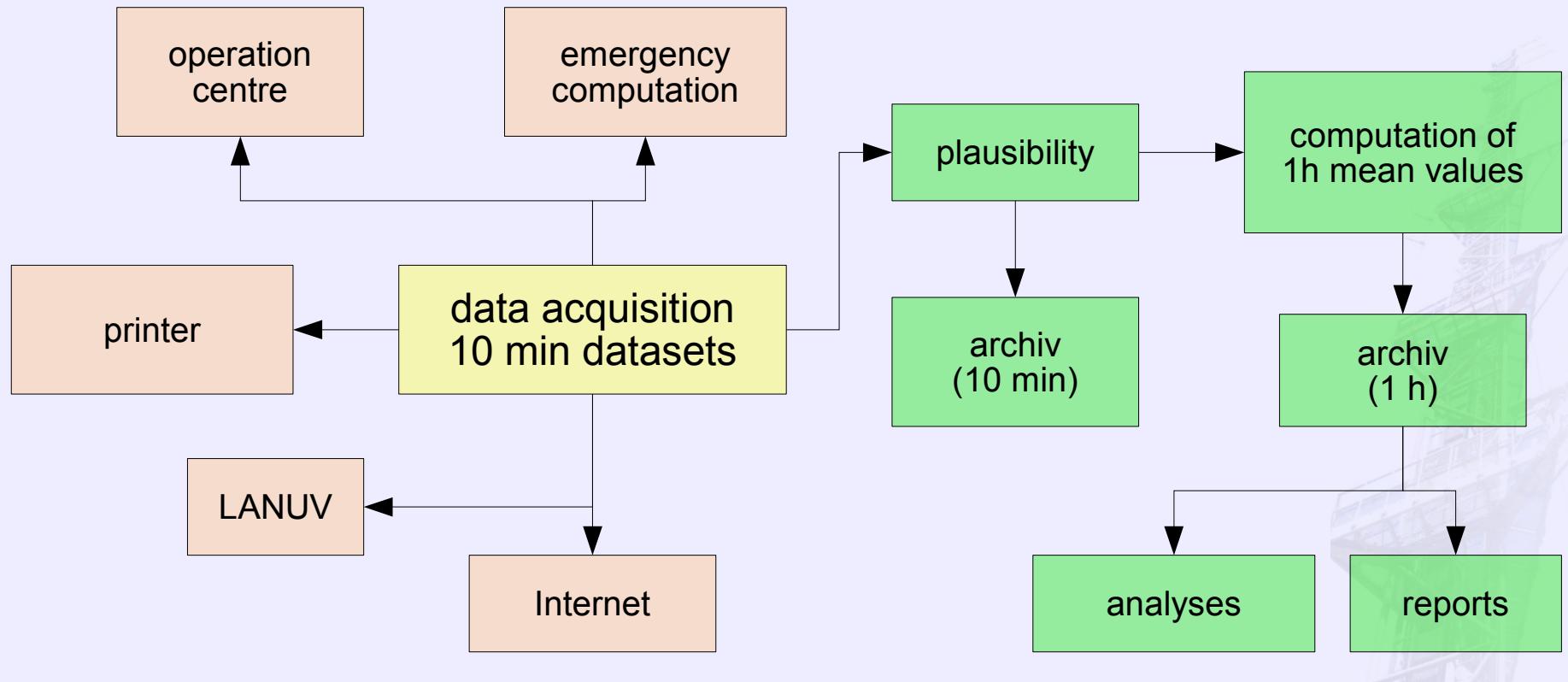


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Meteorological Station, Dr. Axel Knaps

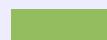


Data Acquisition and Handling



Meteorological Parameters

height	tempe- ratur	direction	wind velocity	rel. humidity	radiation budget	precipi- tation	sunshine duration	pressure
120	1	2	1	1	1			
100	1		1	1				
80	1		1	1				
50	1	2	1	1				
30	1	2	2	1	1		1	
20	1		1	1			1	
10	1		1	1		1		
2	1		1	1				1



measurements according to KTA 1508



Pyrradiometer

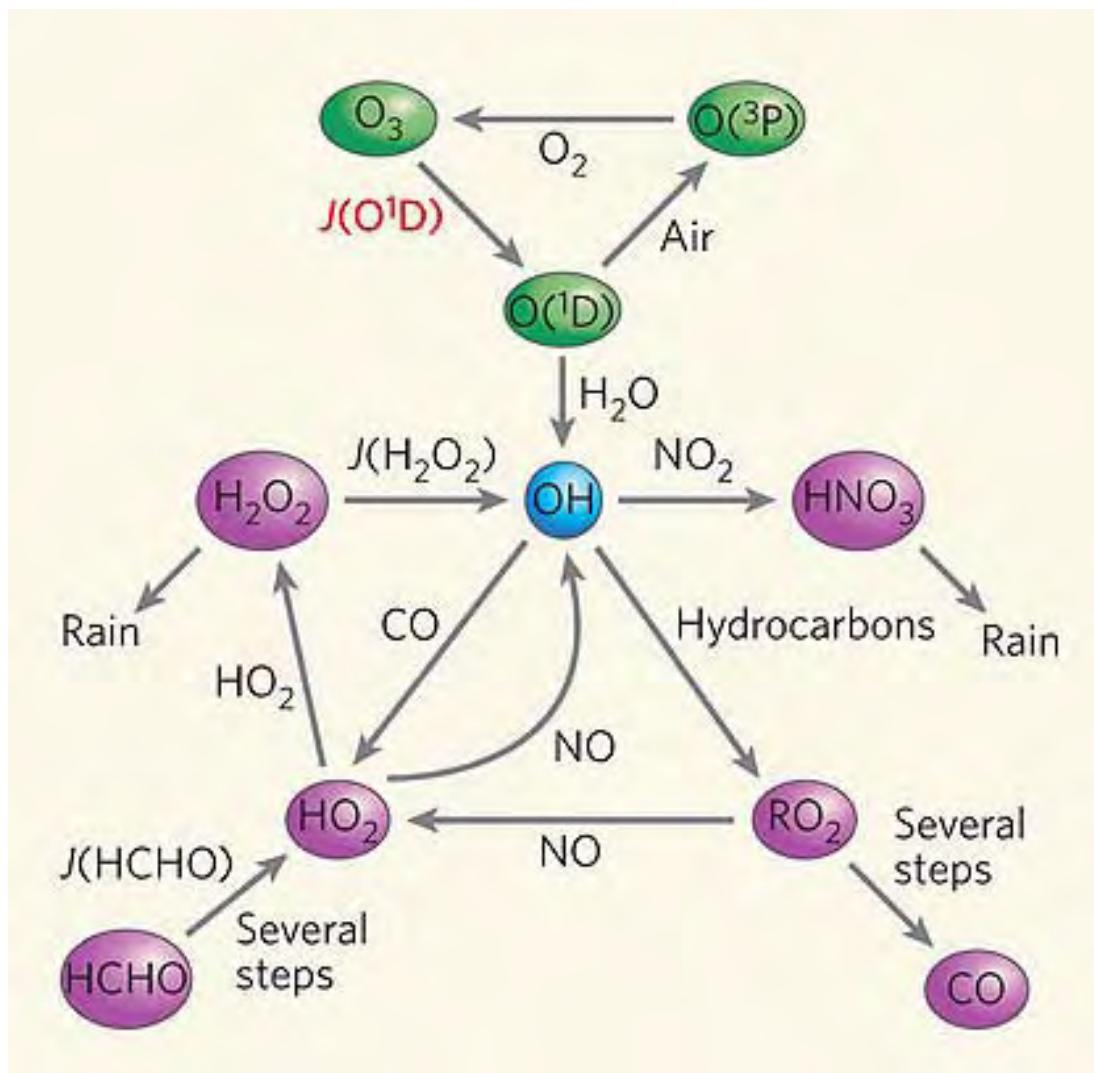
- Ph. Schenk Typ 8111
- range: 0–1500 Wm⁻²
- spectral sensitivity: 0.3 - > 30 µm
- response time: 25 s (95 %)
- response time: 45 s (99 %)
- housing temperature: PT100



Solar actinic radiation measurements

Birger Bohn (Forschungszentrum Jülich)

Background: Atmospheric photochemistry



Photolysis frequencies

First-order rate constant:



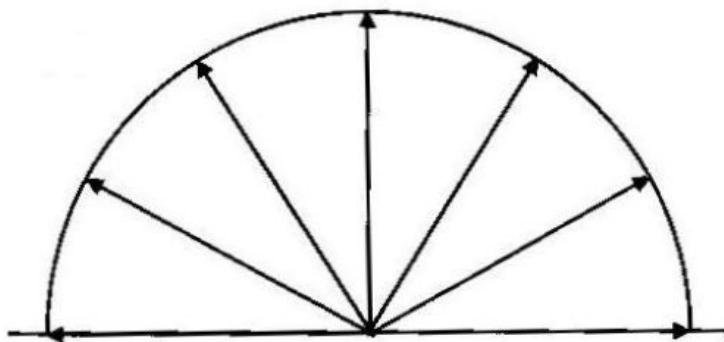
$$j(\text{O}^{\text{1D}}) = 1/[\text{O}_3] \times d[\text{O}^{\text{1D}}]/dt$$

Radiometric approach:

$$j(\text{O}^{\text{1D}}) = \int F_{\lambda} (\lambda) \sigma(\text{O}_3) \phi(\text{O}^{\text{1D}}) d\lambda$$

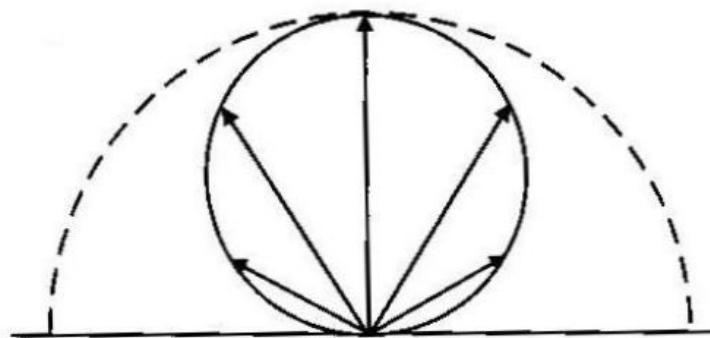
F_{λ} = spectral actinic (photon) flux density

Spectral actinic flux density / irradiance



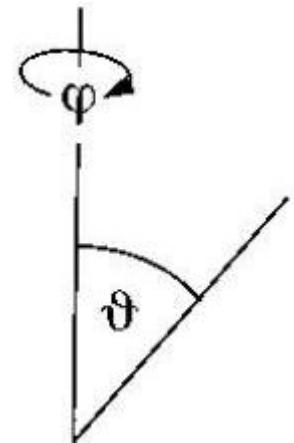
Actinic flux:
unweighted

ideal: spherical
receiver



Irradiance:
 $\cos(\theta)$ weighting

ideal: flat receiver



Spectral actinic flux density: receivers



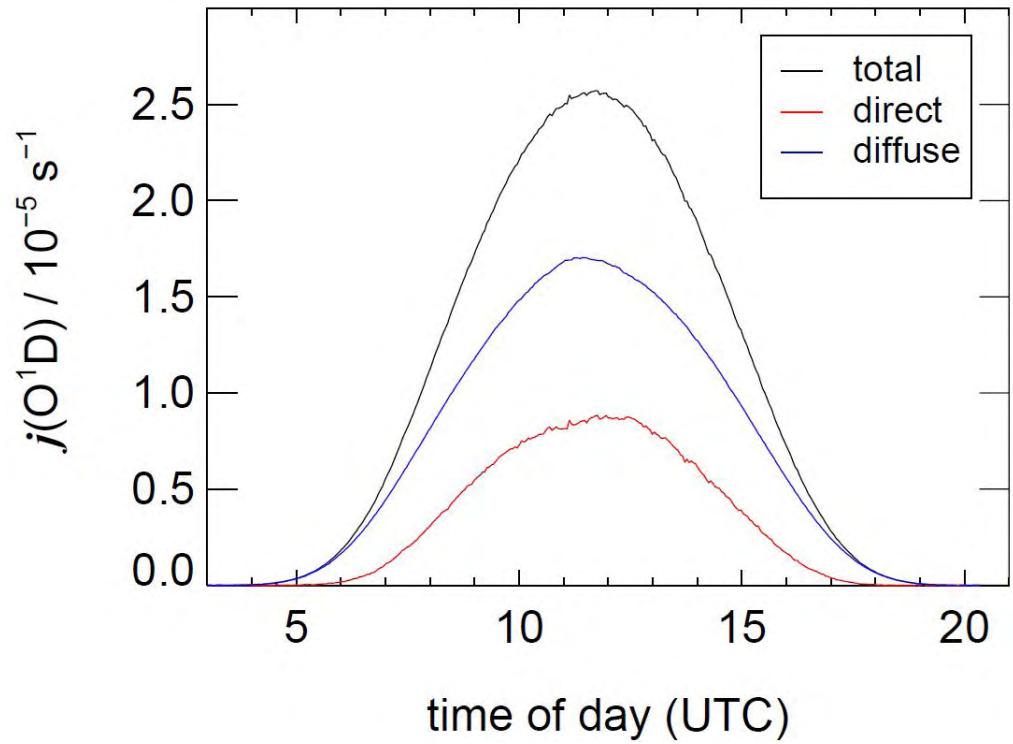
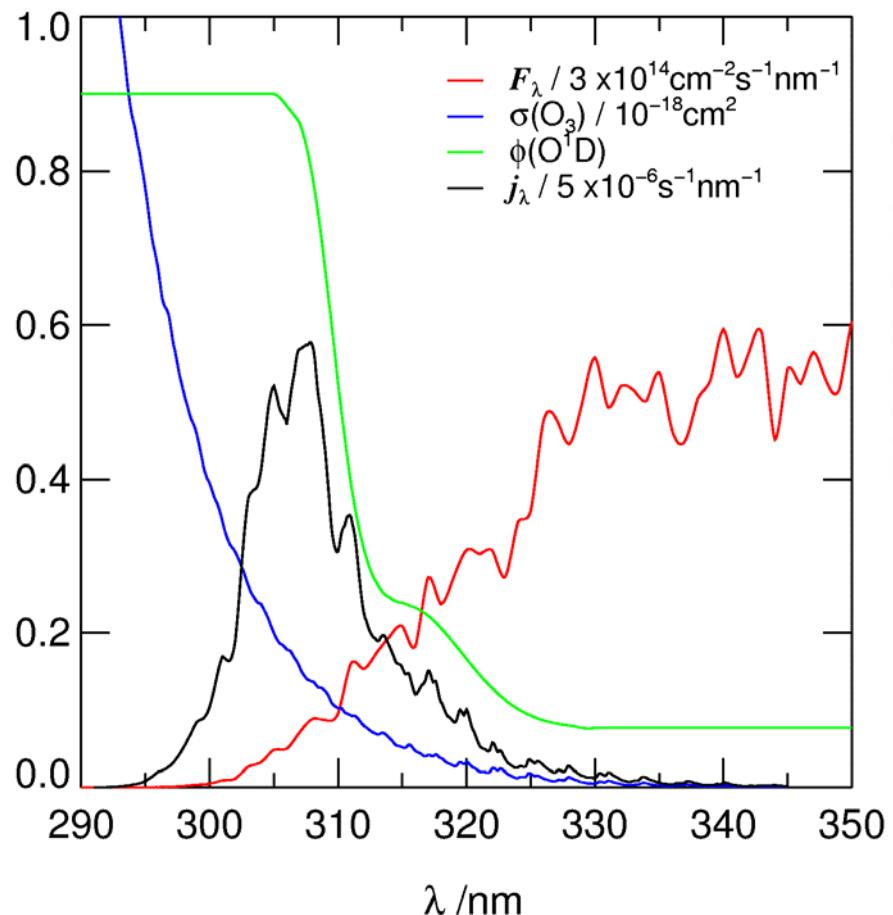
quartz fibre

Calibration: Irradiance standards and mercury lamps



Single or double monochromator based spectroradiometers

Example: O₃ photolysis



Applications (so far)

- Ground based field campaigns (e.g. ECHO, PRD)
- SAPHIR (direct + diffuse + model)
- Instrument comparisons/calibrations (quality assurance)
- Zeppelin/HALO (fast, both hemispheres)
- Laboratory reactors (small sized, artificial lamps)

JOYCE options

- Continuous long-term measurements
- Irradiance measurements (UV-VIS) (new receiver)
- Radiation transfer calculations including cloud/aerosol
- Zenith spectral radiance measurements (LIM co-operation)
- Spectral radiance measurements with sky-scanner (new setup)

Solar shortwave radiation

Birger Bohn (Forschungszentrum Jülich)

Pyranometer CM6/CM7

- Solar irradiance ↓
- Continuous measurements since 2005
- Cross calibrated with CM11 reference instrument (yearly)
- CM11 calibrated by DWD (Lindenberg) 2005



SCAPP-Sensor

Pyranometer/Pyrheliometer

- Solar irradiance ↓
- Diffuse and direct
- Sunshine duration
- Calibrated by DWD
(Lindenberg) 2010
- Continuous measurements
start 2011



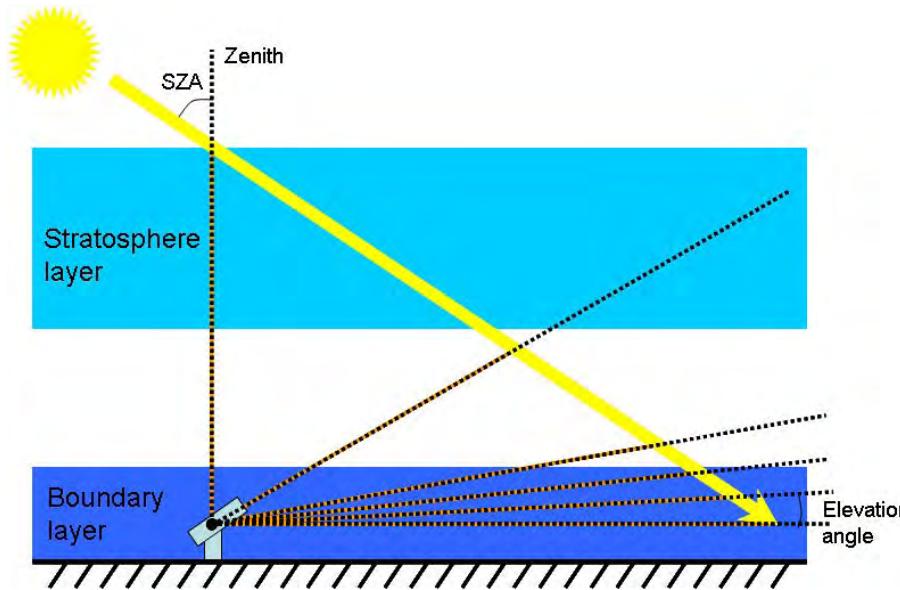
MAX-DOAS aerosol and trace gases measurements

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Multi-axis differential optical absorption spectroscopy, MAX-DOAS

- Record scattered sunlight spectra at different elevation angles α
- Differential slant column density (DSCD) can be retrieved by **DOAS fit** using spectrum recorded at zenith as reference spectrum
- As DSCD at different α is sensitive to the concentration at certain altitude, the vertical concentration profile can be retrieved



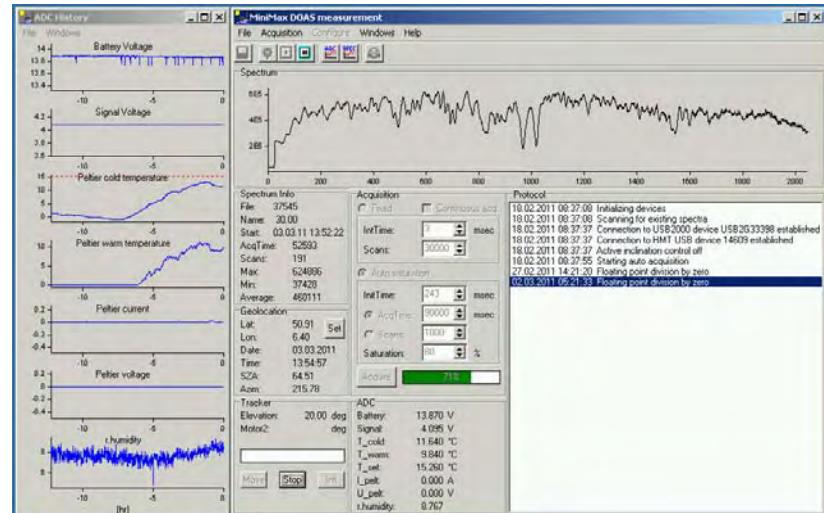
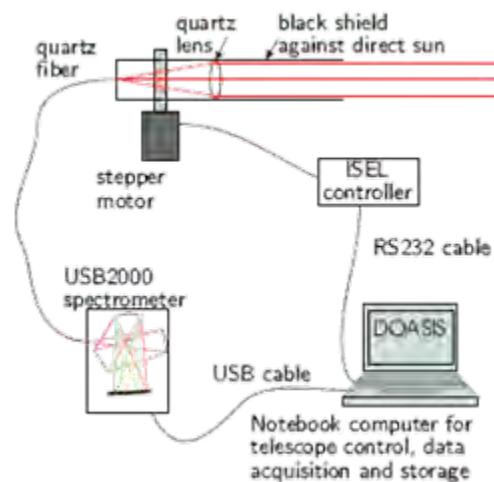
$$SCD_\alpha = \int_L c(s) \cdot ds = \frac{1}{\sigma} \ln \left(\frac{I_0}{I_\alpha} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} DSCD_\alpha &= SCD_{\alpha \neq 90^\circ} - SCD_{\alpha=90^\circ} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma} \ln \left(\frac{I_{\alpha=90^\circ}}{I_{\alpha \neq 90^\circ}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

α : elevation angle; σ : absorption cross section; $c(s)$: concentration; I : light intensity

Mini-MAX-DOAS instrument

- Commercial instrument by Hoffmann Messtechnik GmbH
- Czerny-Turner spectrometer (Ocean Optics USB 2000) with spectral resolution of ≈ 0.7 nm FWHM and spectral range of 318 – 458 nm
- Automated measurement program which adapt the integration time of the measurements to the light conditions, store the spectra and control the movements of the telescope (provided by Udo Frieß, IUP, Heidelberg)



Methodology of vertical profile retrieval

- Profile parameterization

$$\alpha(z) = \begin{cases} \tau \times F / H & z \leq H \\ \beta \times \exp(-z / 5) & z > H \end{cases}$$

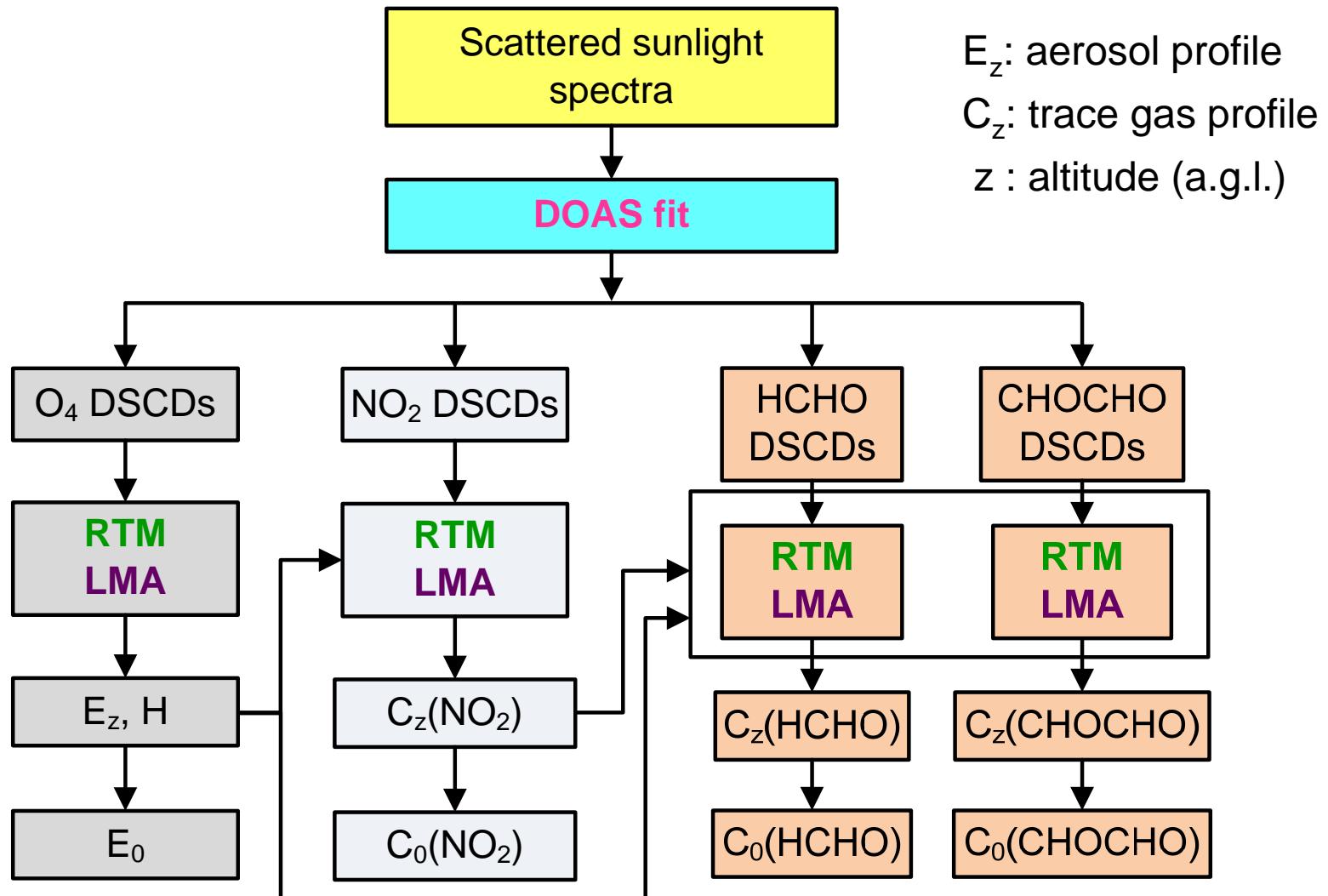
C(z): aerosol extinction / trace gas concentration at height z; τ : aerosol optical depth (AOD) / trace gas vertical column density (VCD); F : percentage of τ in the homogeneous mixed layer; H : height of the homogeneous mixed layer.

- Radiative transfer model (**RTM**) – McArtim: backward Monte-Carlo approach with the treatment of multiple scattering in a fully spherical geometry (Deutschmann, 2010)
- Levenberg-Marquardt algorithm (**LMA**): best fit between **RTM** calculated and measured DSCDs at all elevation angles

$$\chi^2(\tau, F, H) = \sum_{\alpha=3^\circ}^{30^\circ} \left(\frac{M_\alpha - R_\alpha(\tau, F, H)}{\sigma(M_\alpha)} \right)^2$$

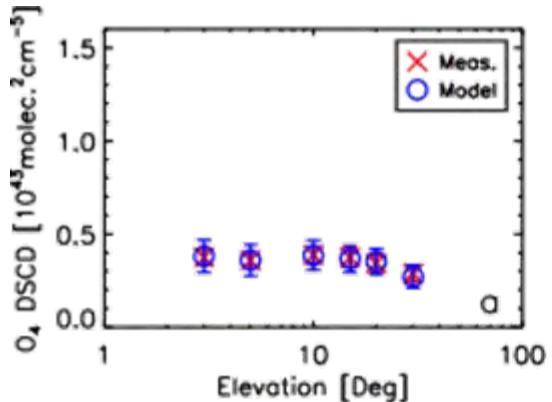
M_α : Measured DSCD; R_α : **RTM** calculated DSCD; $\sigma(M_\alpha)$: measurement error

Methodology of vertical profile retrieval

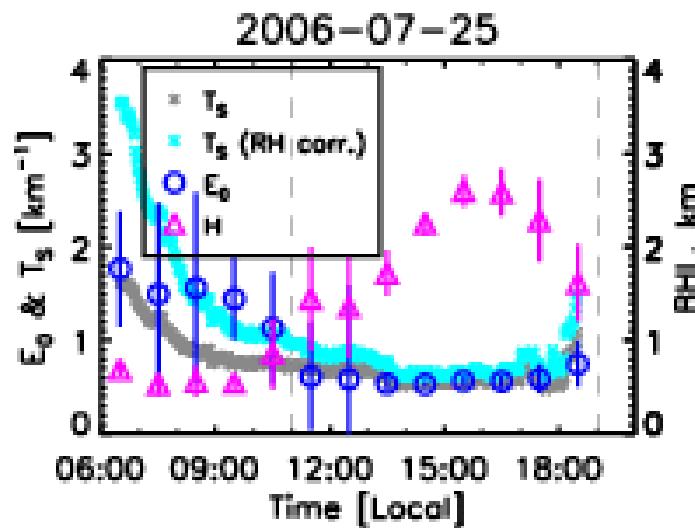
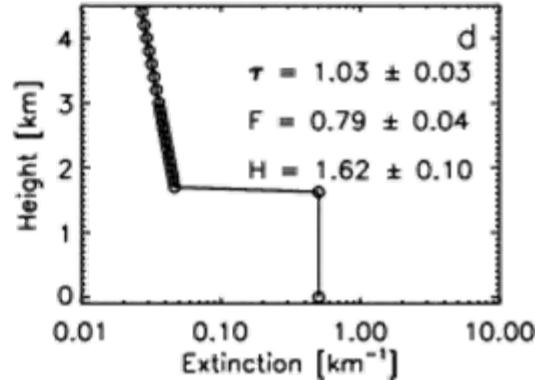
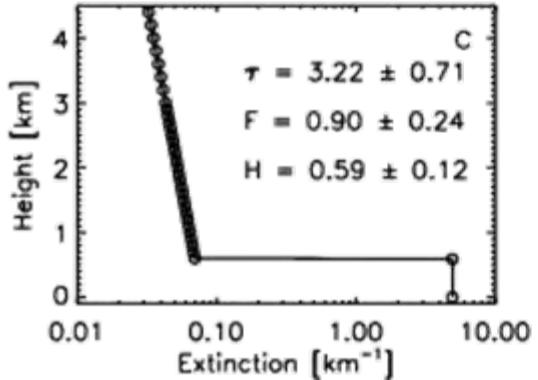
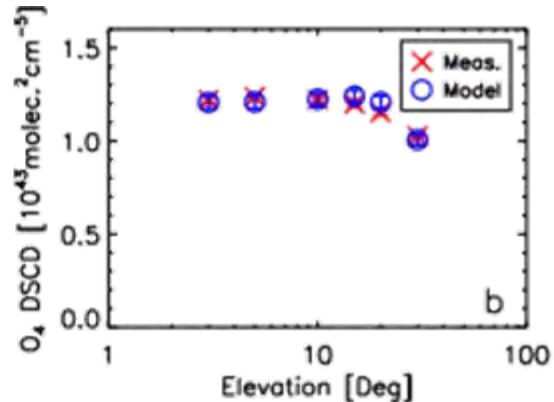


Example of aerosol profile retrieval

24-JUL 2006, 07:00–08:00,
SZA=70°



24-JUL 2006, 15:00–16:00,
SZA=41°

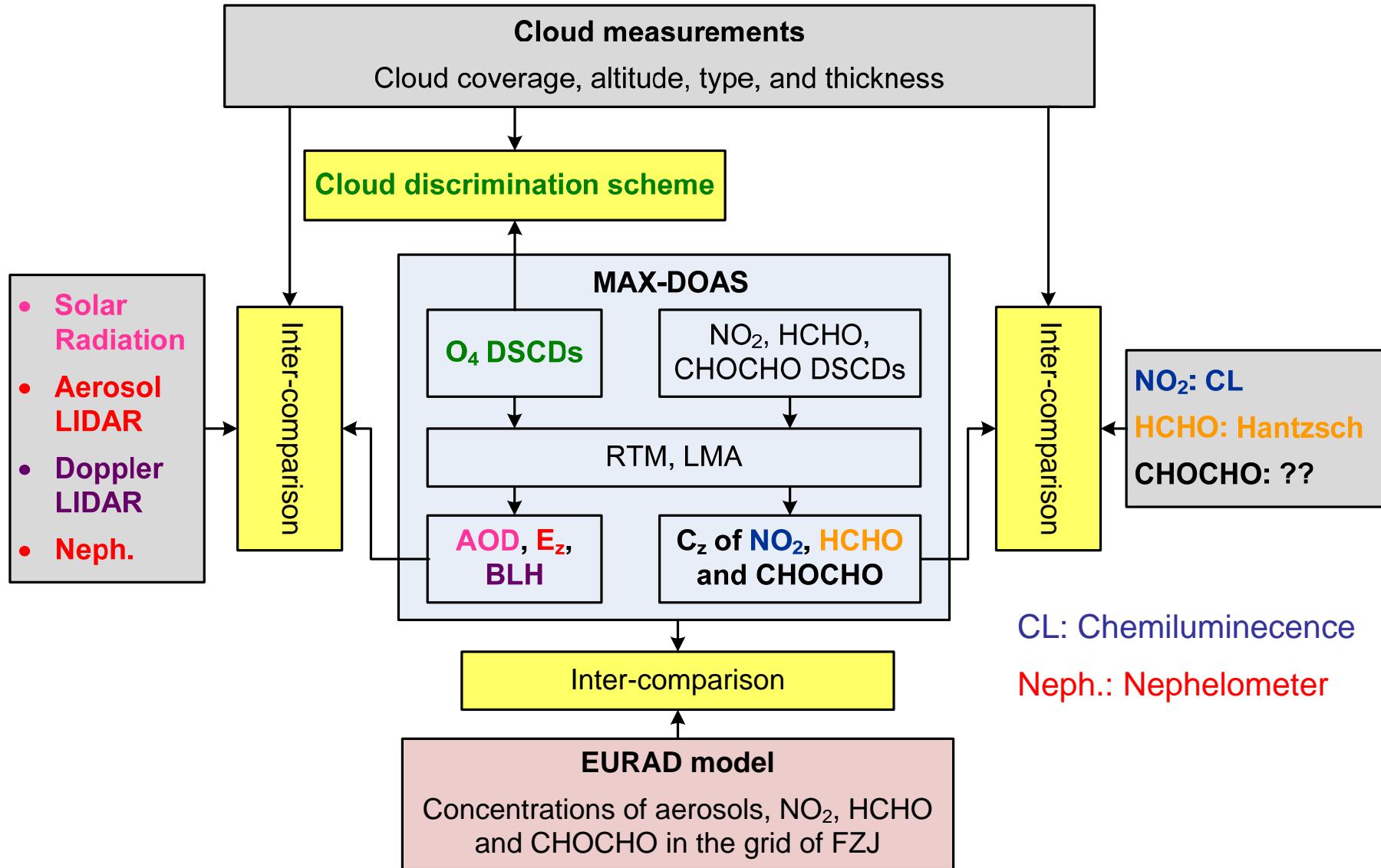


Results during the PRD2006 campaign in PRD, China

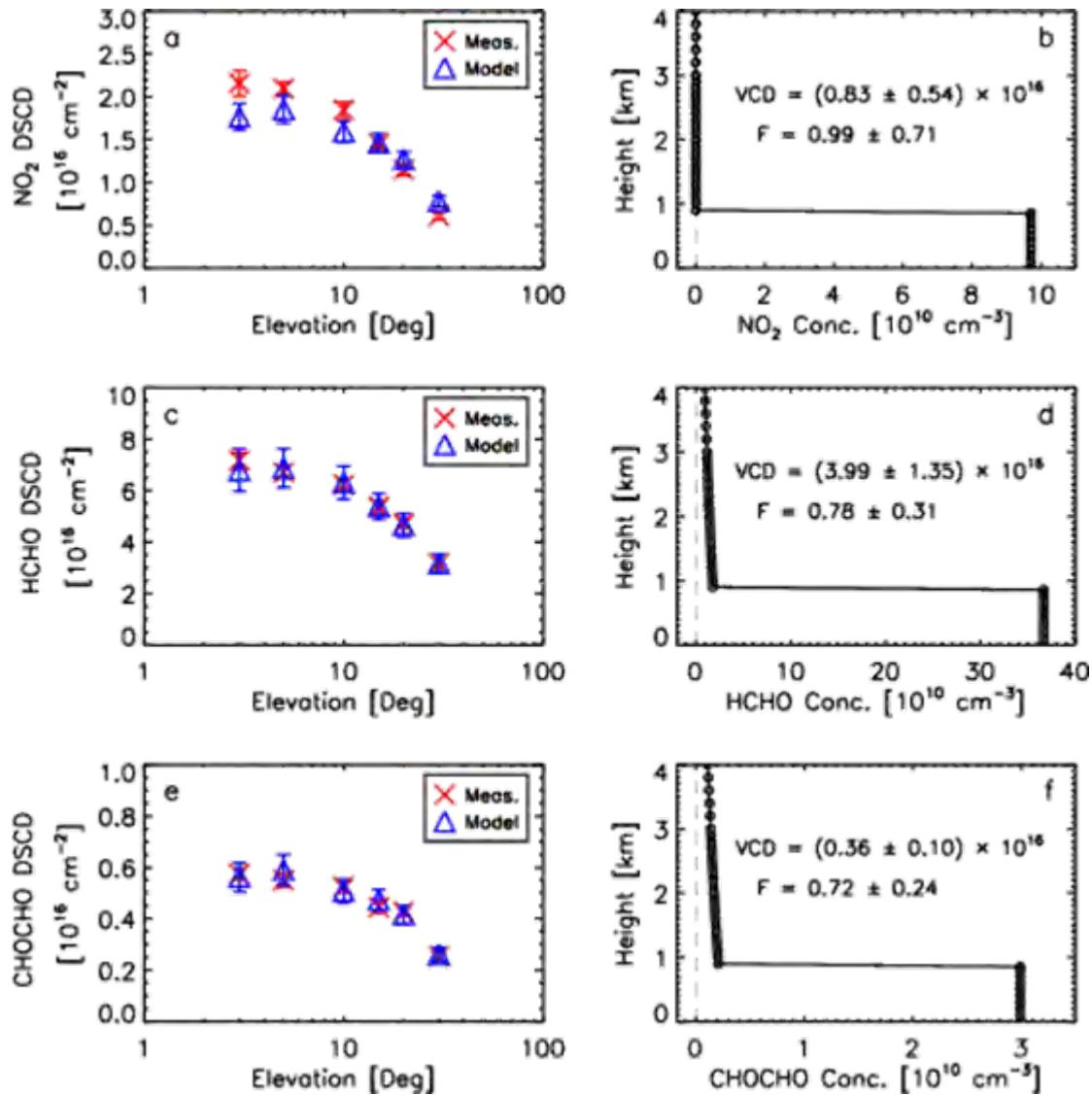
Questions to be addressed

- Influence of clouds
 - The existence of clouds will influence the RTM calculation
 - Under-estimation of AOD; under- or over-estimation of trace gases concentrations
 - Cloud discrimination by MAX-DOAS radiation and O₄ absorption measurements
- Inter-comparison with different techniques
 - Performance of the MAX-DOAS aerosol and trace gases measurements
- Inter-comparison with EURAD model calculation
 - Aerosols, NO₂, HCHO and CHOCHO at the grid of FZJ
 - Performance of the model calculation

Schematic setup



Trace gases profile retrieval



Example of MAX-DOAS trace gases retrieval for
2006.07.25 10:00 – 11:00
at SZA=29°.

Left: comparison between
RTM modeled and
measured DSCDs.

Right: vertical distribution.

Error of the parameter
refers to the 1-sigma
fitting error.

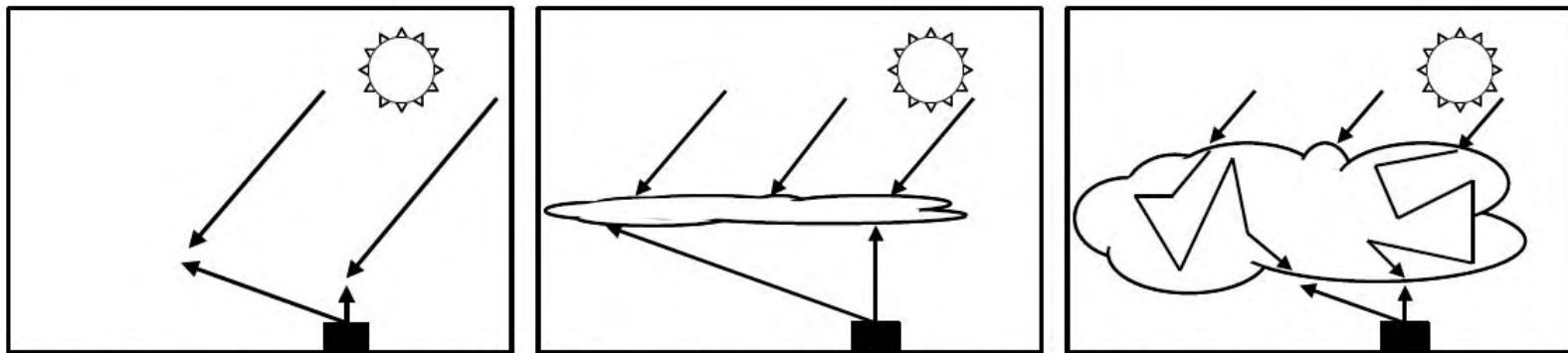


Fig. 9 Schematic description of the cloud influence on MAX-DOAS observations. Left: For clear sky, sun light is scattered by air molecules and aerosol particles towards the instrument. Center: Diffusing screen effect: in the presence of thin clouds, a substantial fraction of the observed photons is scattered by the cloud; especially for the smaller elevation angles, this effect leads to an increase of the absorption path. Right: For optically thick and vertically extended clouds, multiple scattering can lead to very large increase of the photon paths inside the clouds.

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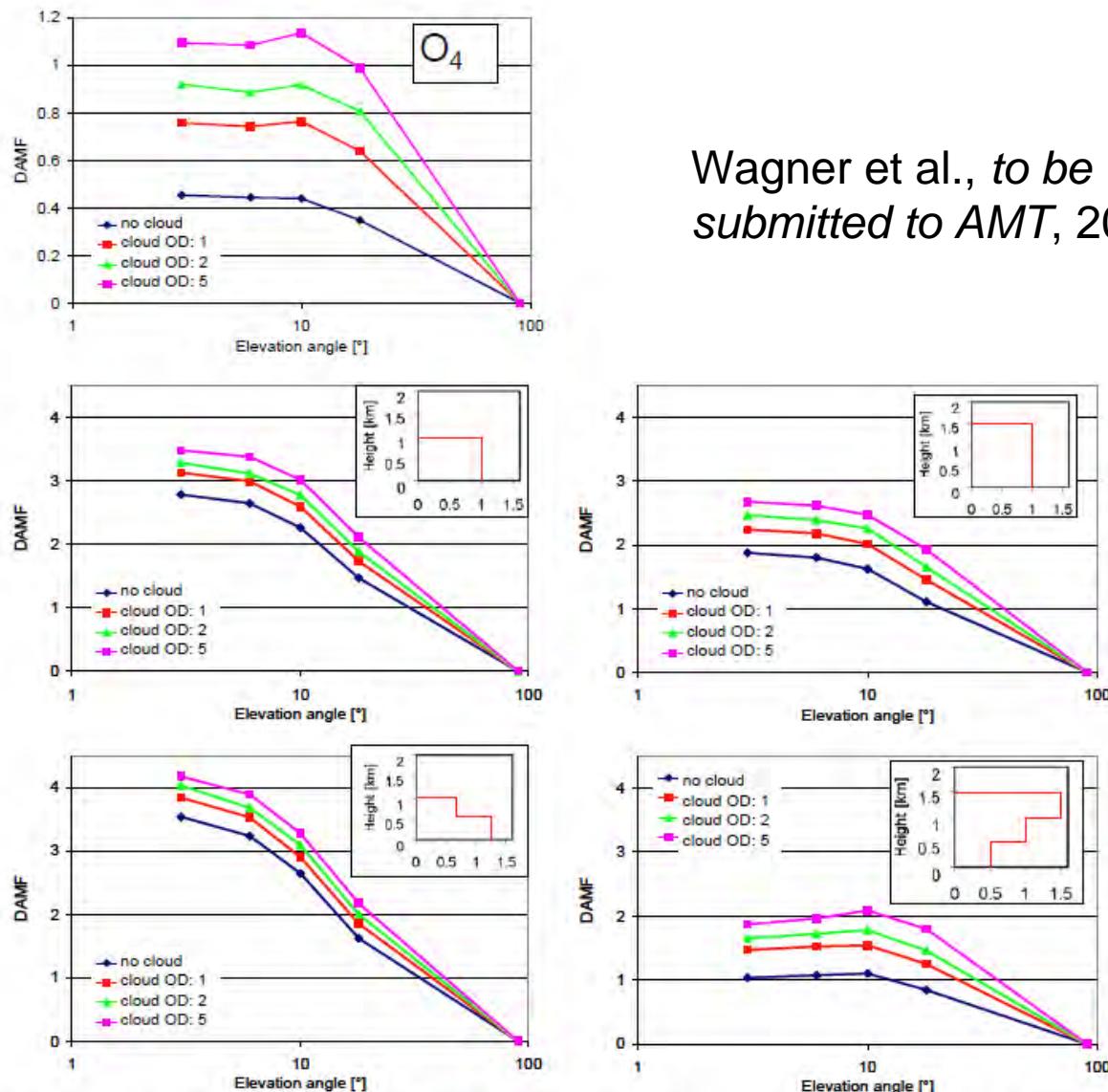


Fig. 12 Influence of a thin cloud between 4 and 5km on the measured DAMFs of O_4 (top) and trace gases with other vertical profiles on the DAMFs for different vertical profiles. Due to the 'diffusing screen' effect (see sections 4.1.1 and 4.3) the measured DAMFs are enhanced compared to clear sky conditions. With increasing profile height, the relative increase caused by the diffusing screen effect increases (simulations for an aerosol layer between 0 and 1km with AOD of 0.5, SZA = 45° and relative azimuth angle= 30°).

Introduction to Pulsed Doppler Lidar

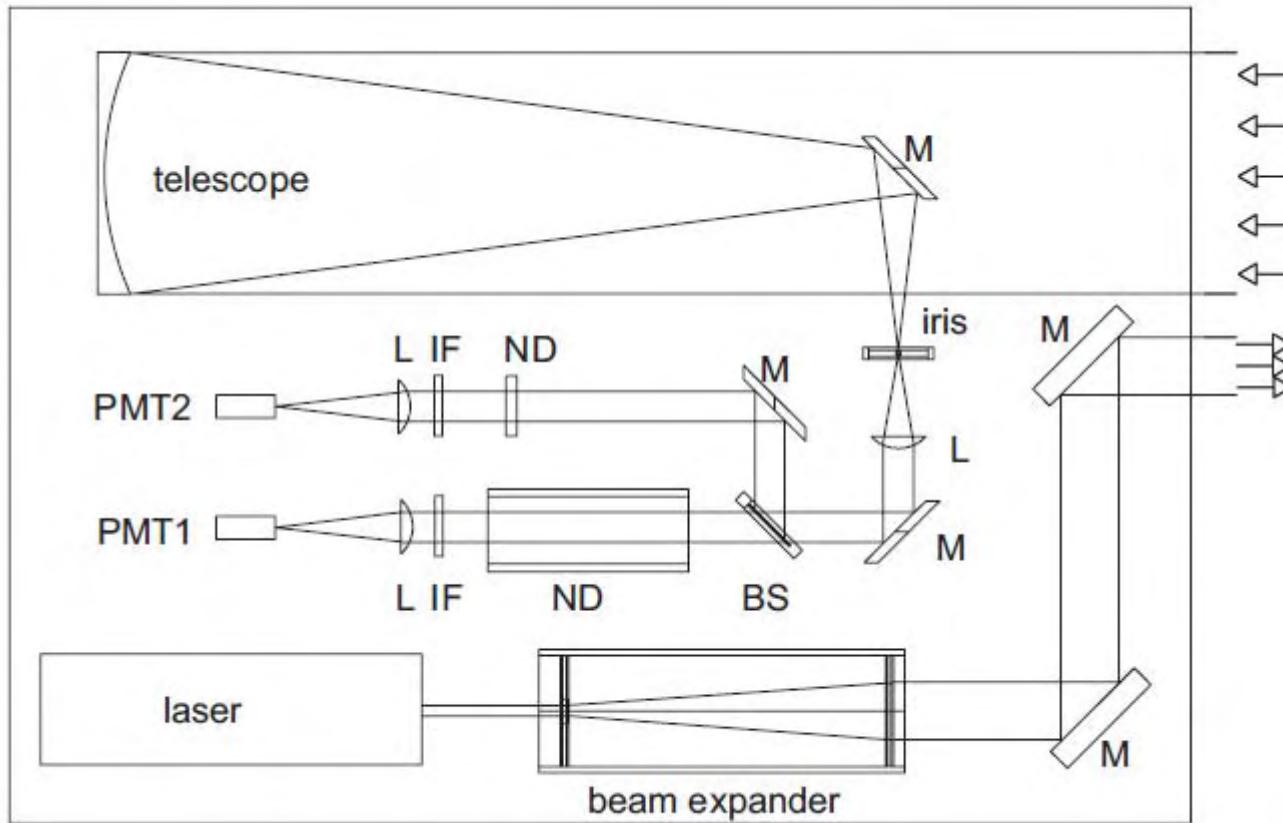
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What is a Pulsed Doppler Lidar ?

- The Doppler Lidar measures the **backscatter** (at $\lambda=1.5\text{ }\mu\text{m}$) from aerosols and provides range gated Doppler and return power measurements.
- From primary data the following product are derived
 - wind profiles, turbulence parameters, boundary layer height
 - backscatter coefficients
 - cloud base measurements
- Technical description of the system is given by
 - Pearson et al. (J. Atmos. Ocean Tech., 26, 240–250, 2009).
- Commercial device manufactured by Halo Photonics Ltd.
- Minimum range of 75m and maximum range of up to 7.5 km (dependent on atmospheric aerosol concentrations)
- Typical spatial resolution: 30 m
- Typical temporal resolution: 2 s (0.1 s – 30 s)
- Presision: 10 cm s^{-1} or less in the boundary layer
- Instrument is equipped with an all-sky scanner

Doppler Lidar layout



Hennemuth et al, 2008, Atmos. Chem. Phys., 8, 287-308, doi:10.5194/acp-8-287-2008

HALO Lidar pictures



Scanner ↑

← Instrument

Mass: 85Kg
Dimensions: 800 x 530 x 400 mm
Power: 24 V DC, 150 W

Example measurements using the HALO Doppler Lidar

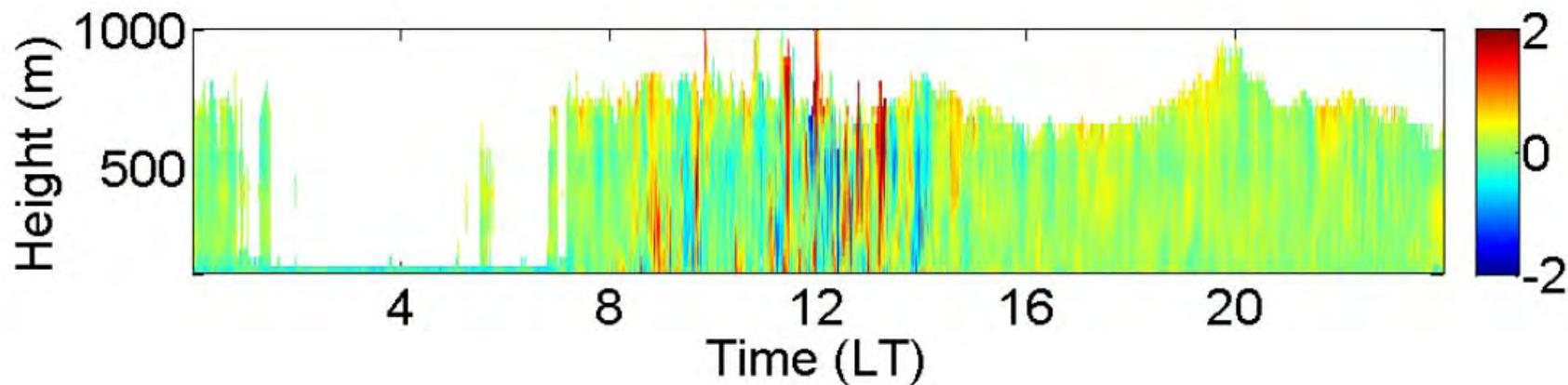
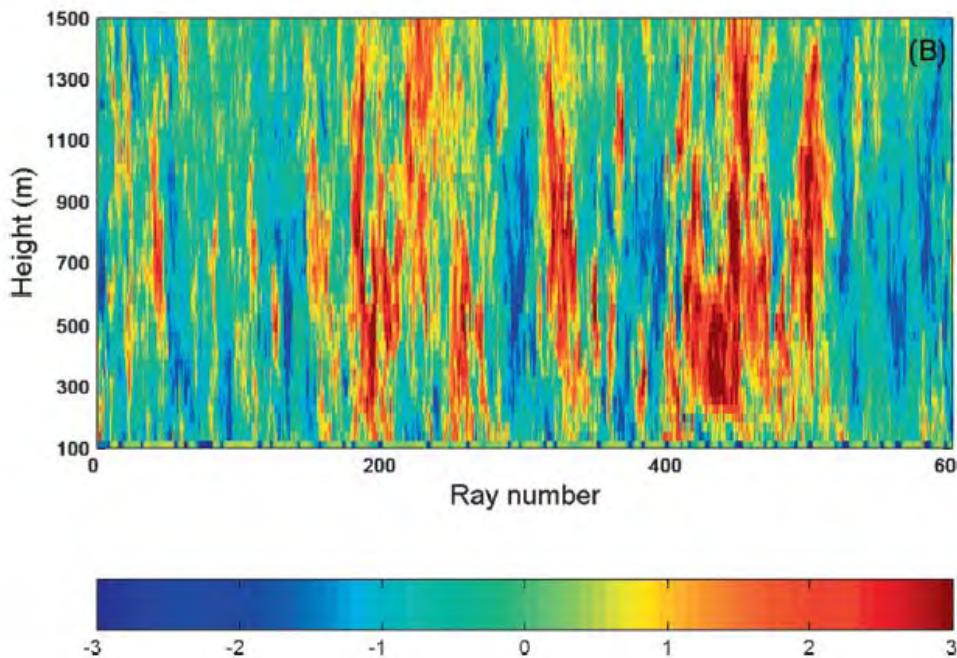
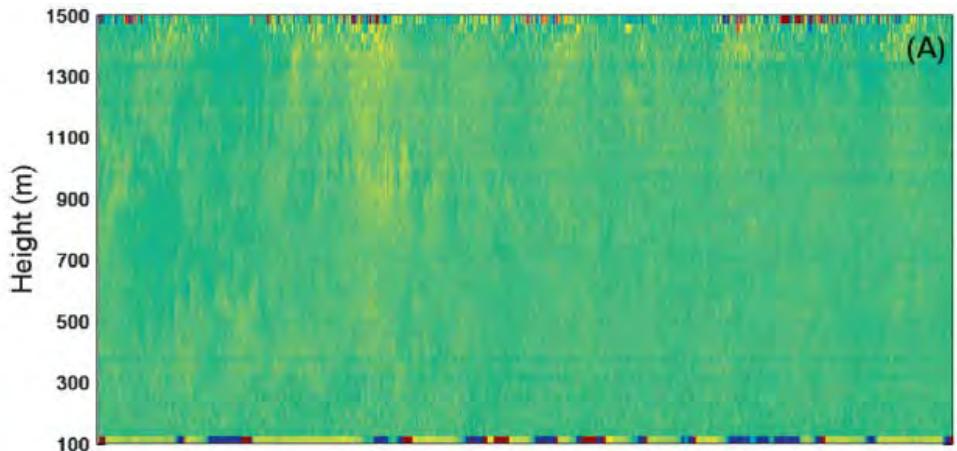


Fig. 4. An example of the daily vertical velocity field as recorded on 15 April 2008. The colour scale is ms^{-1} , the horizontal axis is LT and the temporal resolution is 13 s (observation time of 2 s and 11 s of processing time). The vertical axis is height (a.g.l.) in meters.

Pearson et al., Remote sensing of the tropical rain forest boundary layer using pulsed Doppler lidar
Atmos. Chem. Phys., 10, 5891–5901, 2010
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Example measurements using the HALO Doppler Lidar (2)

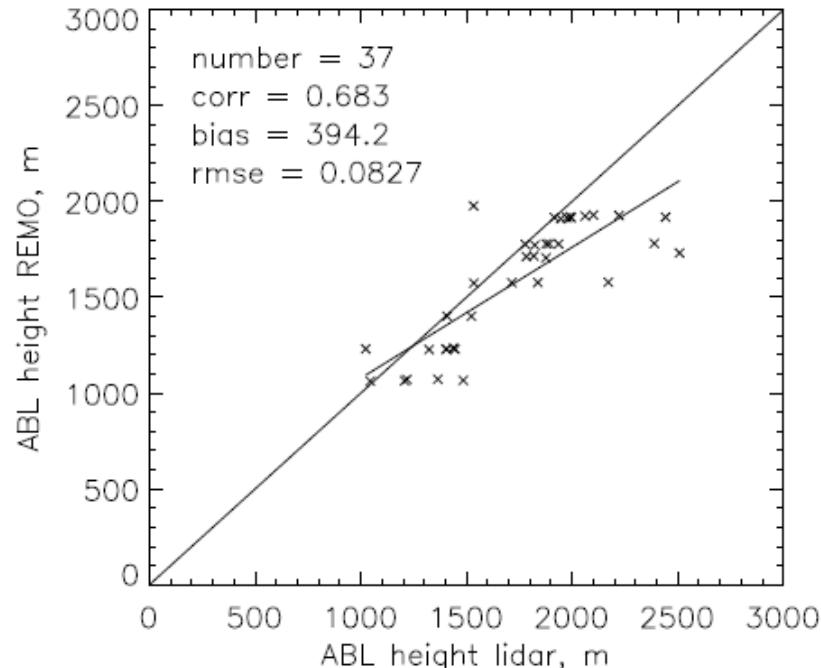
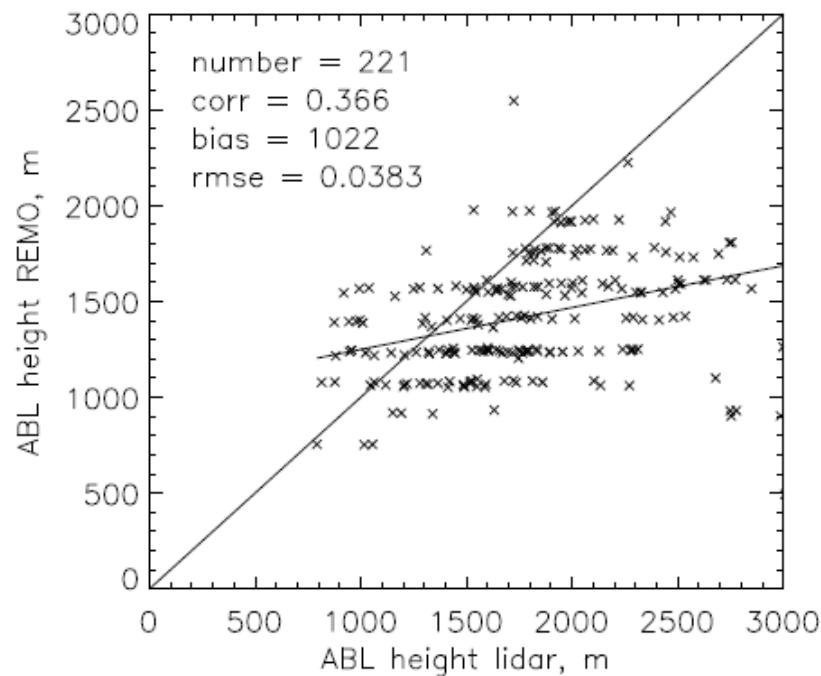


Time vs height representation of the vertical velocity data from (a) stable evening (1900 UTC 11 Sep 2007) and (b) early afternoon convective periods (1300 UTC 10 Sep 2007) as observed at the Cardington site. For (a) and (b) the total observation time was 55 min and the vertical resolution was 30 m. Blue colors indicate downward motion.

Pearson et al., An Analysis of the Performance of the UFAM Pulsed Doppler Lidar for Observing the Boundary Layer, J. Atmos. Ocean Techn. 26, 240, 2009

Example measurements of a HALO Doppler Lidar (3)

Comparison with regional model
Top: all data
Bottom: after rain events



From: Hennemuth et al, 2008,
Atmos. Chem. Phys., 8, 287-308,
doi:10.5194/acp-8-287-2008

Status of the instrument and outlook

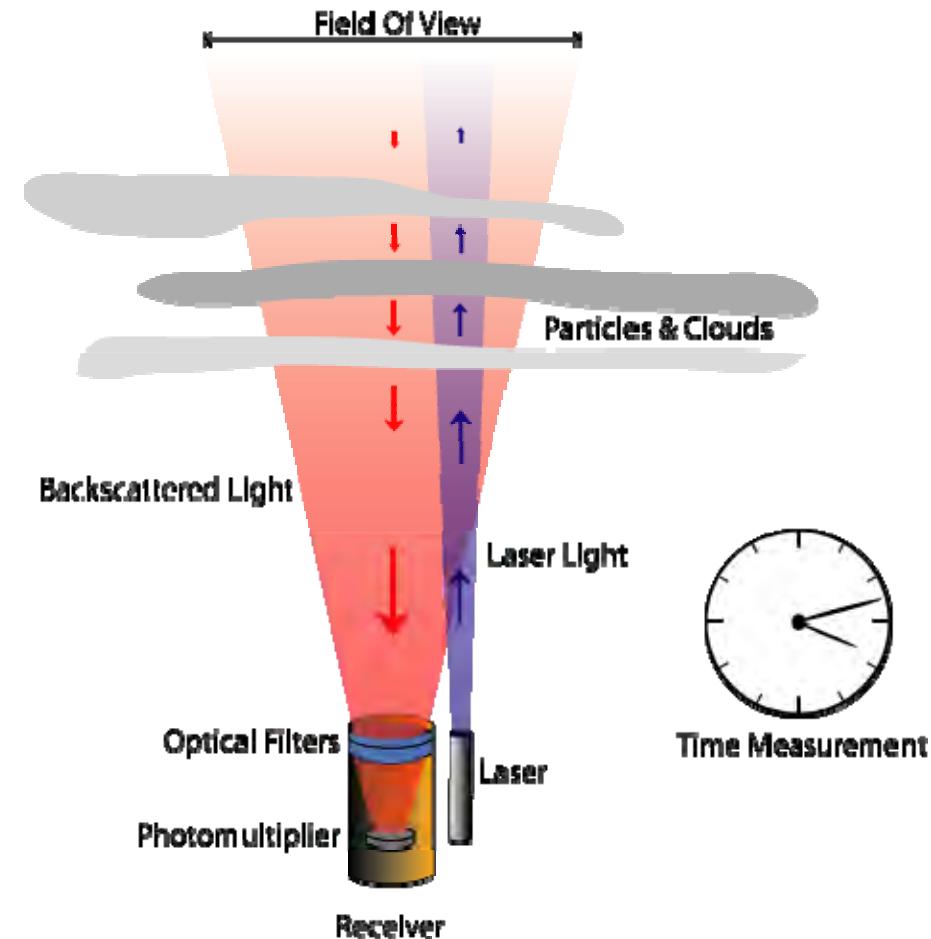
- Project HOBIT approval 21-Dec-2011
 - Doppler Lidar £ 149310 = € 177750
 - Thanks to **Ministerium für Innovation, Wissenschaft und Forschung des Landes Nordrhein-Westfalen,**
 - Grant No. B0975.01.10
- Instrument was ordered mid Jan 2011
- 20 weeks delivery (June 2011)
- First setup on the roof of the building
- Measurements in parallel with MAX-DOAS and Raman Lidar
- Possible employment during field campaigns:
 - e.g. Pegasus Zeppelin ground based support

Lidar CORAL

Christian Rolf, Martina Krämer, Cornelius Schiller

Lidar principal

- Lidar (Light detection and ranging)
- Time measurement gives the altitude of the backward scattered light
- Altitude and time evolution
- Optical properties of particles
 - Backscatter coef.
 - Extinction coef.
 - Depolarization



CORAL (Cloud ObseRvation with Atmospheric Lidar)

- Groundbased Mobile backscatter Lidar
(Leosphere ALS 450)
- Laser @ 355 nm (UV)
- 20 pulses per second
- Laser energy / duration per pulse: 16 mJ / 4 ns
- Altitude: 0.5 - 15 km
- Resolution: 1 min in time (typically),
15 m (night), 60 m (day) in altitude



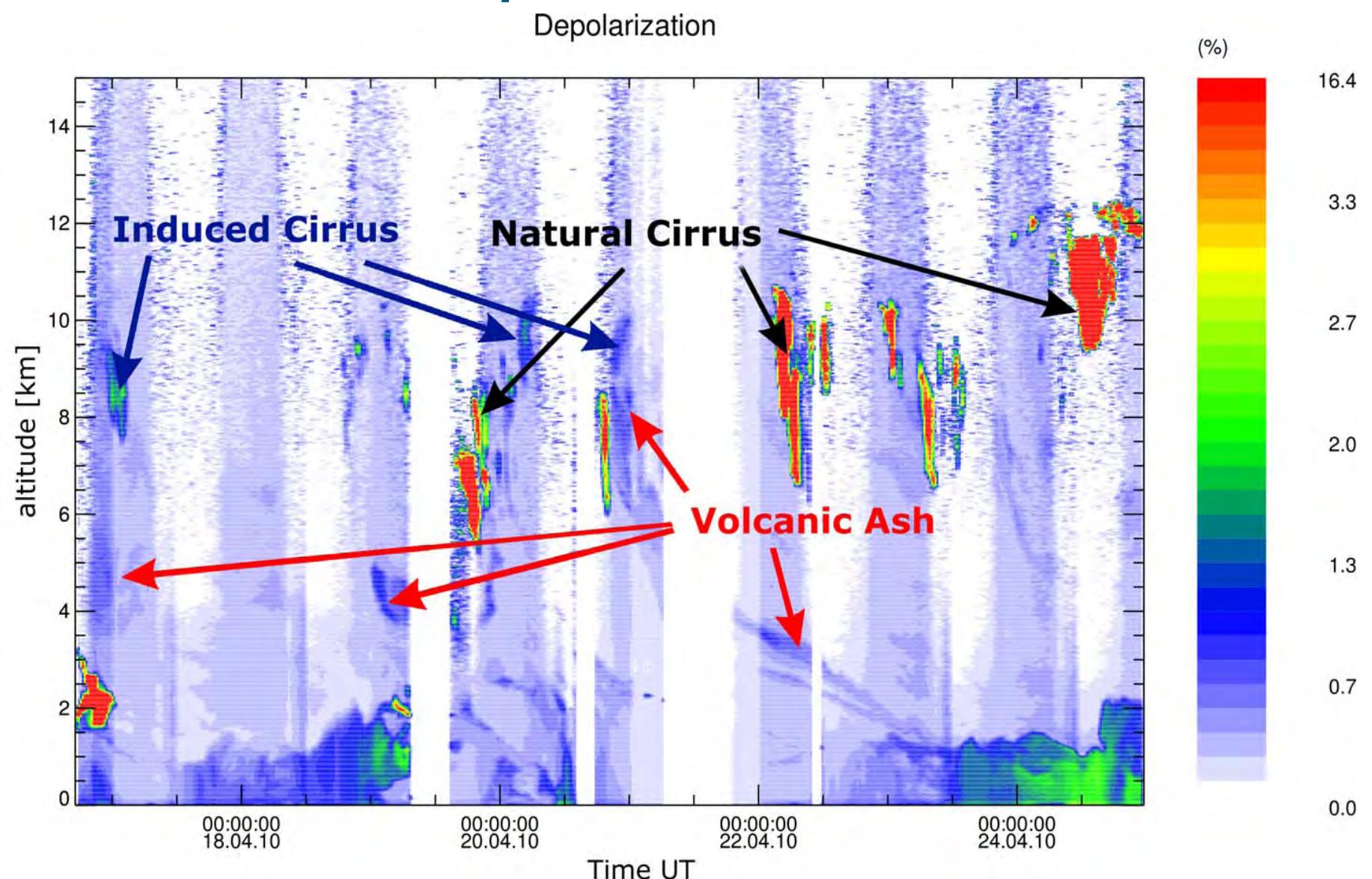
Depolarization

- 2 polarization channels: parallel and perpendicular
 - Determination of depolarization possible

Depolarization shows the derivation from a sphere

$$\delta_{vol}(r) = C \cdot \frac{I_{perpendicular}(r)}{I_{parallel}(r)}$$

Characterisation of particles



tools: trajectory and microphysical calculations

JOYCE: Jülich ObservatorY for Cloud Evolution



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Jülich, 23.3.2011

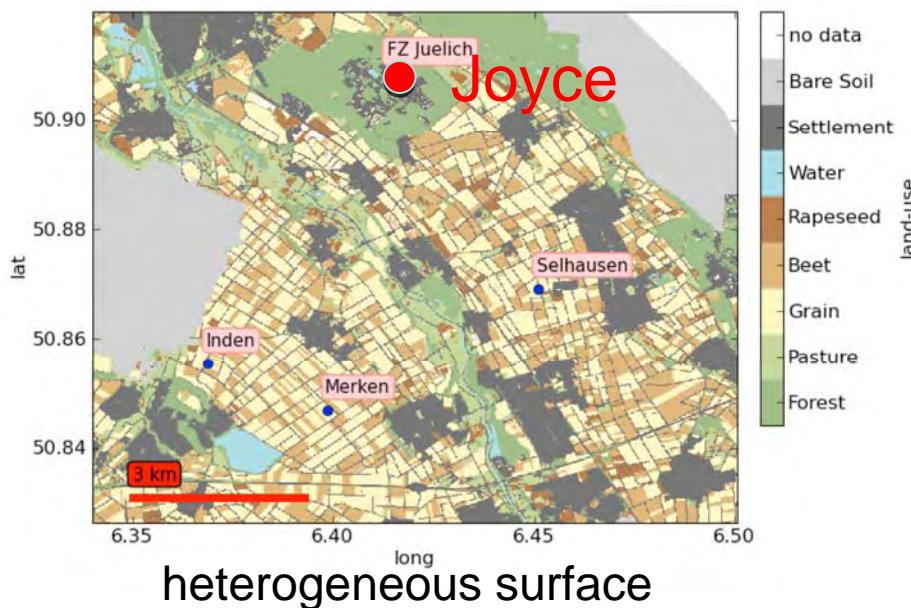
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Jülich ObservatorY for Cloud Evolution



Goals

- to disentangle water vapor variations due to advection and to local surface influence
→ validate coupled models
- to better understand the development of boundary layer clouds
- to analyse cloud radiation interaction
- to observe precipitation formation (polarimetric weather radar)



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Sodar

Profiles of wind velocity and Direction
(operated in Selhausen)



Lidar ceilometer

Backscatter profile, cloud base height, boundary layer height



Infrared-spectrometer (AERI)

Profiles of temperature & humidity, liquid and ice cloud properties



Microwave-radiometer

Water vapour, cloud liquid water, temperature profile



Total sky imager

Hemispheric sky image, cloud cover



Cloud radar (scanning)

Vertical (along path) structure of ice & liquid clouds



Rain radar

Rain rate, Doppler winds, drop sizes



Micro rain radar

Profiles of drop sizes distribution



GPS: Wet delay slant paths (GFZ Potsdam)

120 m meteorological tower

Overview of quicklooks currently at:
<http://tr32.uni-koeln.de/index.php>

- red: Instruments currently operating in Jülich area
- green: Ordered instruments
- grey: Instruments from external projects

Doppler cloud radar MIRA-36s



Principle:

- sends out pulses of microwave radiation
- measures backscattered radiation
- time between emitted and received pulse
→ information on the distance to backscatterer

Specifications:

- frequency of 35.5 GHz → sensitive towards cloud droplets
- height range 150 – 15000 m
- range resolution 30 m, temporal resolution 10 s
- Doppler radar → radial velocity component can be measured
- transmits a linear polarized signal and receives co- and cross-polarized signals → information on target type
- scanning capability: combined azimuth and elevation scans
→ information on 3-dimensional cloud structure

Doppler cloud radar MIRA-36s

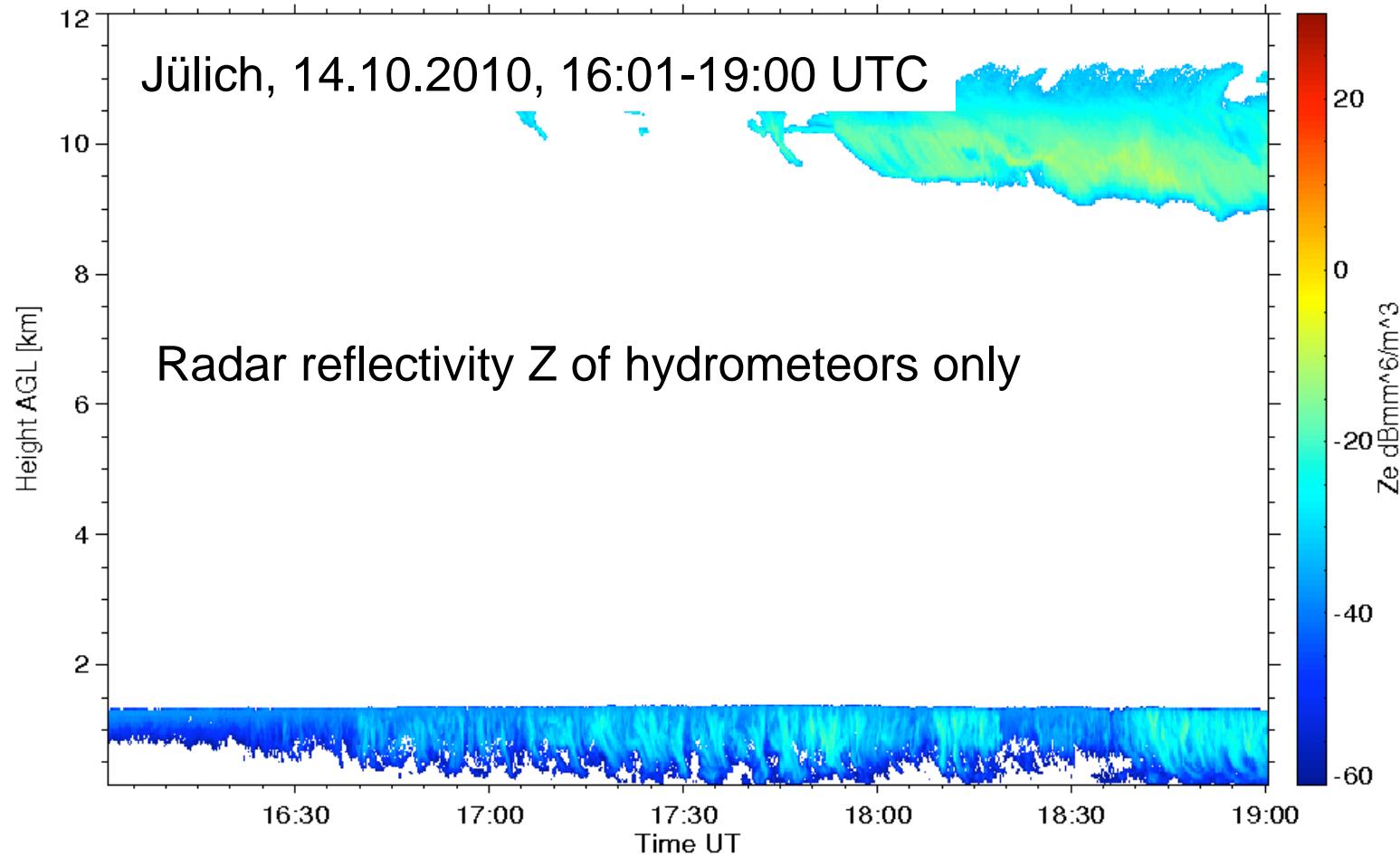
Measurements / Products:

Profiles of

- radar reflectivity Z in dBZ
- mean Doppler velocity v in m/s
- variance of Doppler velocity σ_v^2 with Doppler spectral width σ_v in m/s
→ information on turbulence
- linear depolarization ratio LDR (ratio of cross- to co-polar reflectivity) in dB
→ information on target type
- hydrometeor / non-hydrometeor (plankton) classification with LDR as a primary distinctive feature

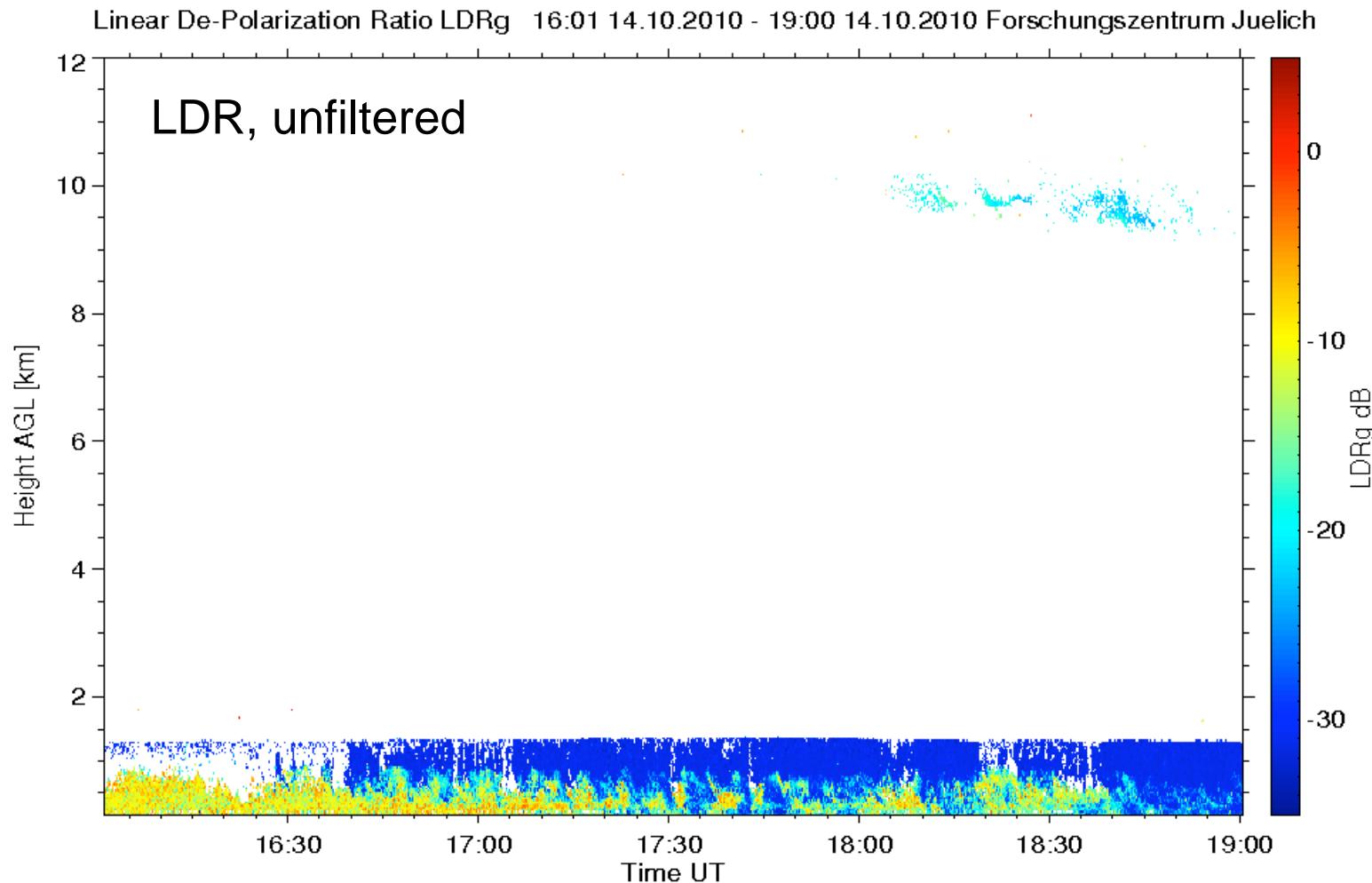
Doppler cloud radar MIRA-36s

Equivalent Radar Reflectivity Factor Ze of Hydrometeors 16:01 14.10.2010 - 19:00 14.10.2010 Forschungszentrum Juelich



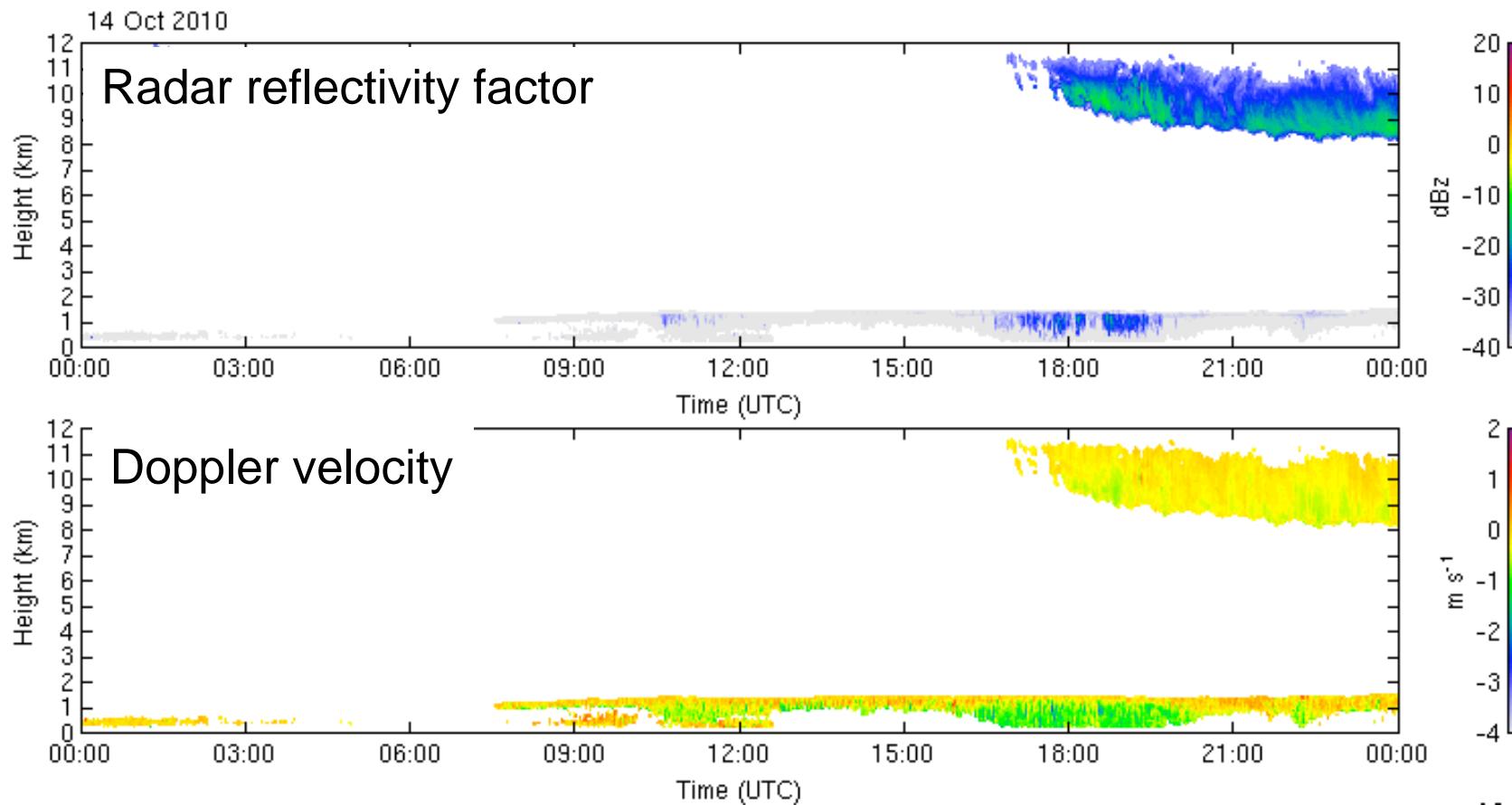
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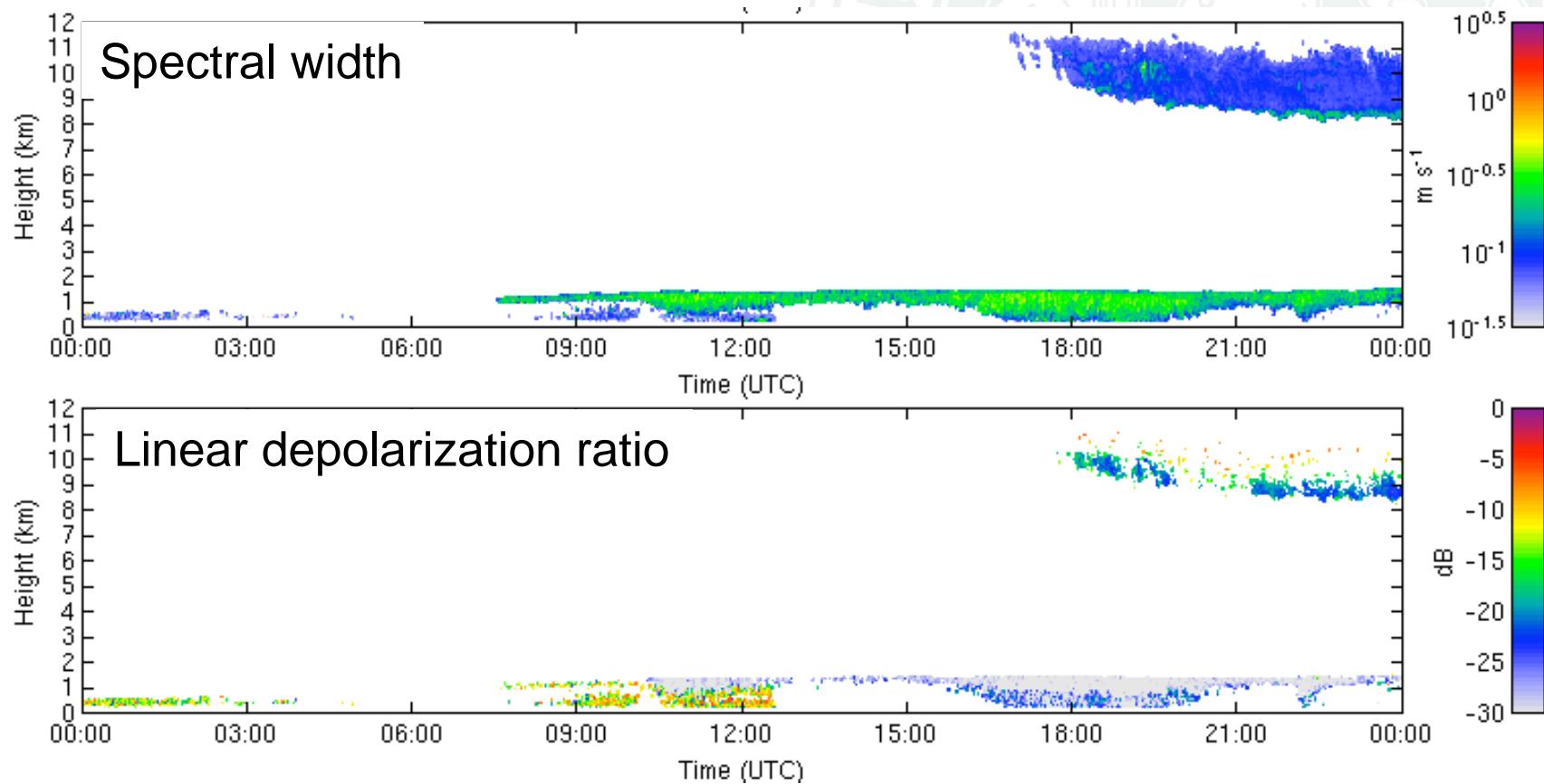
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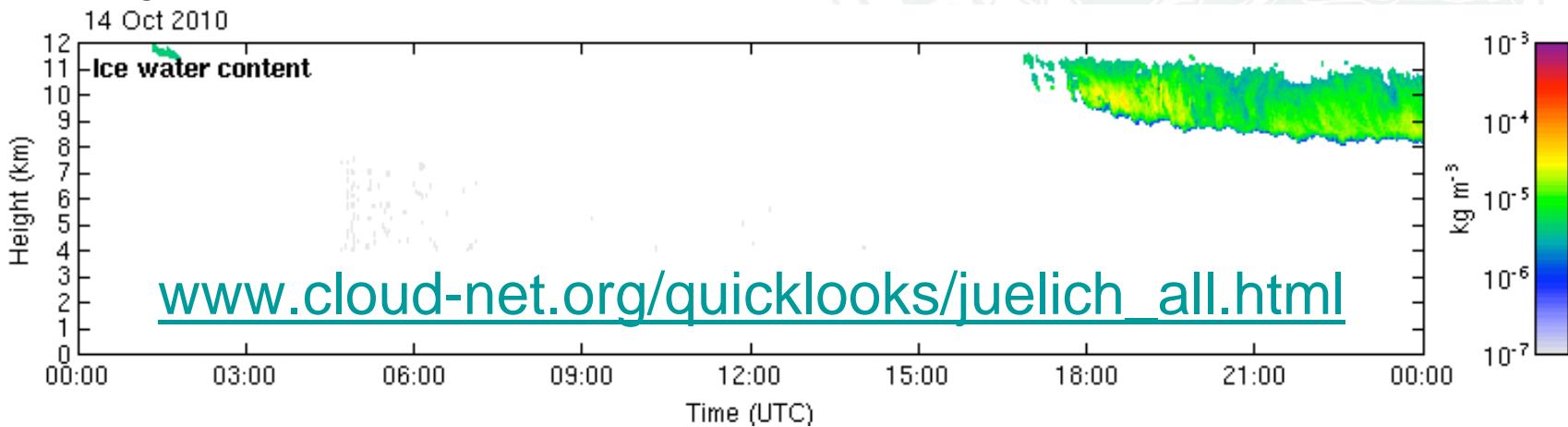


Doppler cloud radar MIRA-36s

Radar reflectivity and cloud microphysical properties:

- cloud water content and Z depend on the drop size distribution
→ many approaches to relate the liquid (ice) water content to the radar reflectivity Z via empirical relationships

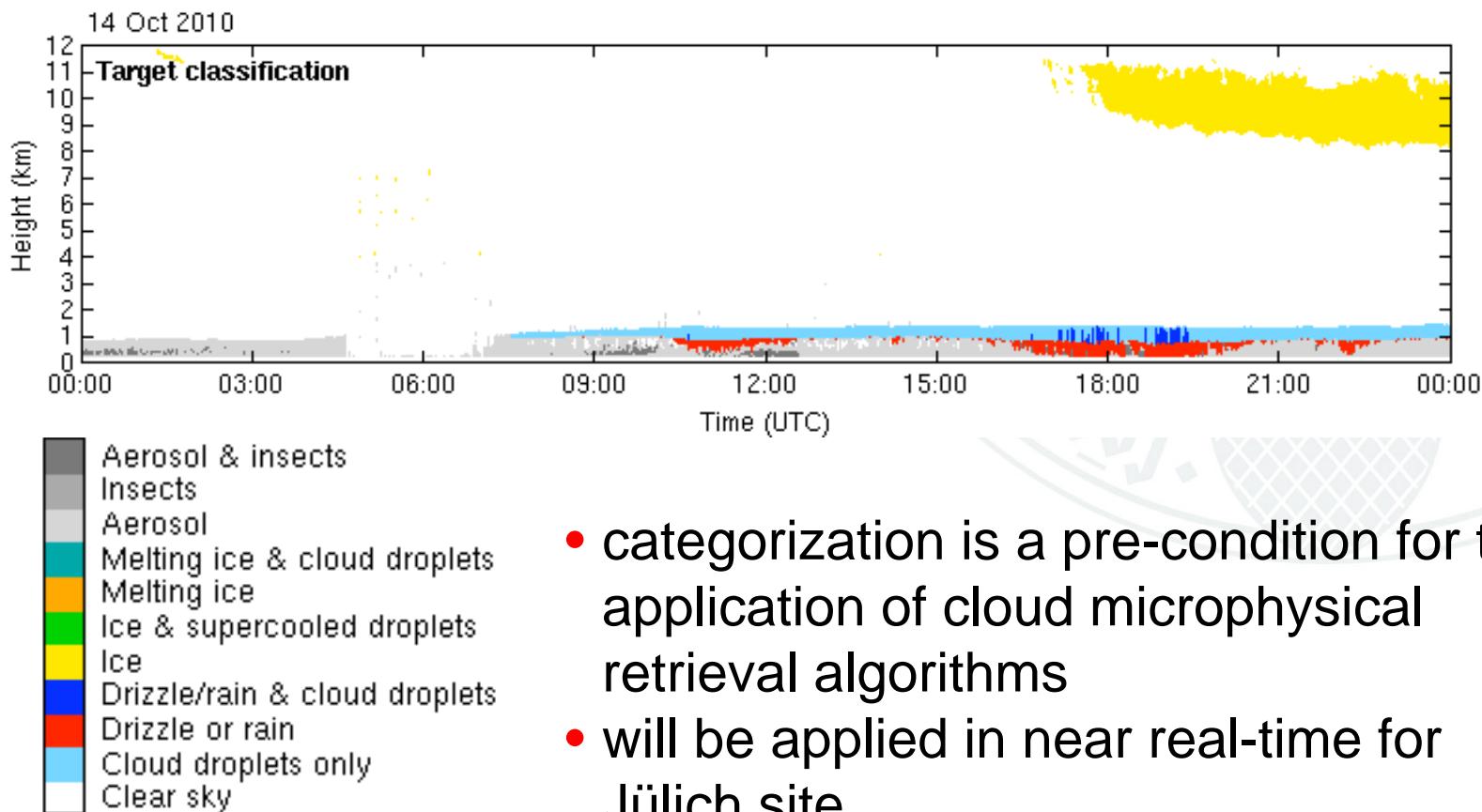
Example for IWC (kg/m^3) using a Z-IWC-T relationship
(Hogan et al., 2006):



- more accurate retrieval techniques combine information from different active and passive remote sensing instruments!

Doppler cloud radar MIRA-36s

- Combination of cloud radar, microwave radiometer, ceilometer and NWP model data allows for a sophisticated target categorization (Hogan and O'Connor, 2004)



- categorization is a pre-condition for the application of cloud microphysical retrieval algorithms
- will be applied in near real-time for Jülich site

TOPHAT microwave profiler

- 14 channel total-power microwave profiler
- High accuracy brightness temperature measurements ($0.5 \text{ K} < 1\text{s int. time}$)
- Azimuth and elevation scanning ($0.1^\circ/0.6^\circ$ resolution)
- Complete hemispheric volume scans during 7 min



Additional sensors

- 2 IR-thermometers (11.1, 12.0 μm) for cloud base height and opacity
- Surface sensors for T, p, RH, GPS clock, rain sensor

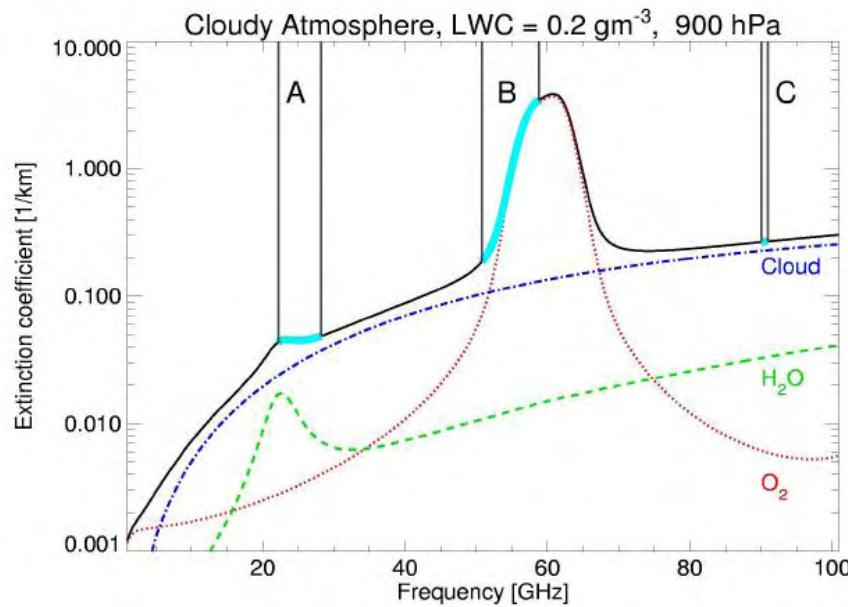
TOPHAT microwave profiler

Spectrum:

- 6 channels along the water vapor abs line (22GHz) + 1 window channel at 31.4GHz (most sensitive to cloud liquid water) provide humidity & cloud information
- 7 channels along oxygen abs. complex at 60GHz provide vertical temperature information

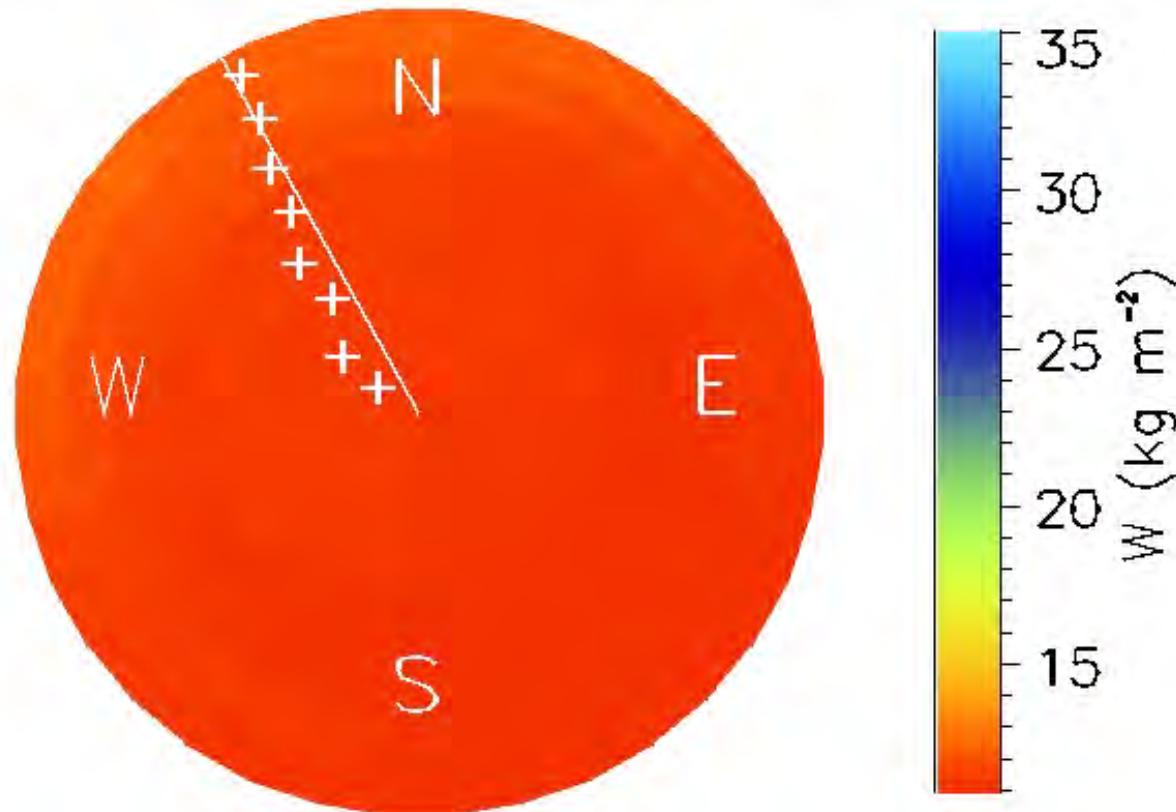
Products & accuracies

- Integrated Water Vapor (IWV):
0.6 kg/m²
- Liquid Water Path (LWP): 20 g/m²
- Hum. Profiles: 0.4-0.8 g/m³
(2 degrees of freedom)
- Temp. profiles 0.5-1.0 K
(4 degrees of freedom)



TOPHAT IWV volume scans

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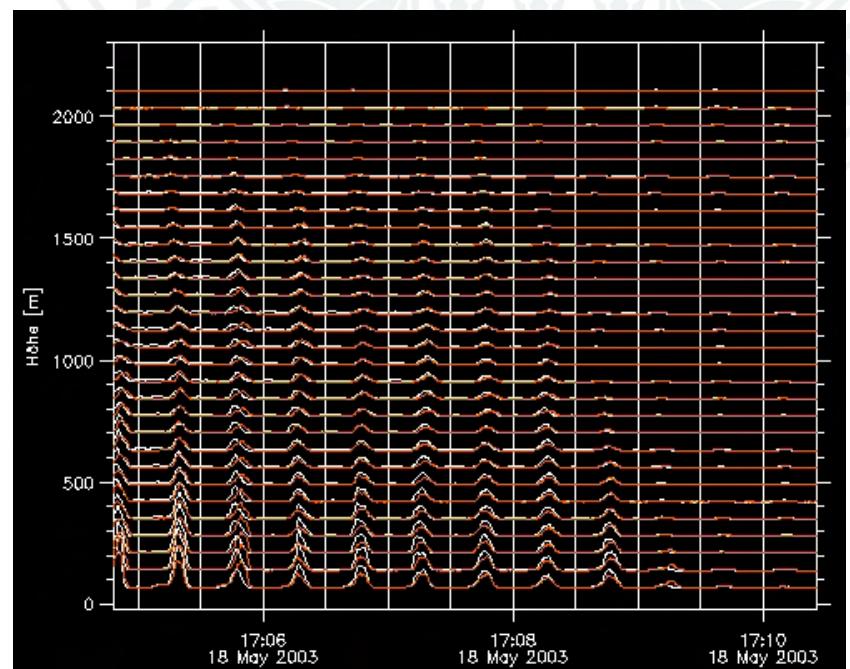
- Estimation of Water vapor gradient (strength & direction)
- Crosses show gradient direction derived for individual elevation angles.

Micro Rain Radar (MRR)

Micro rain radar MRR (24 GHz)

- vertical pointing radar
- measurements of precipitation
 - ✓ Backscatter profile
 - ✓ Droplet size spectra
 - ✓ Rain rate
- To be moved from Selhausen to FZJ this year

Combination with
Cloud Radar and
X-Band Radar
Sophienhöhe



Atmospheric Emitted Radiance Interferometer (AERI)

- automated instrument measuring downwelling IR radiation from 3.3-19 μm at 0.5 cm^{-1} resolution
- measures absorption characteristics of well mixed gas CO_2 for temperature profile information
- multiple water vapor absorption features
- clouds and aerosol can lead to significant increase in IR-emission, as well as scattering

Retrieve:

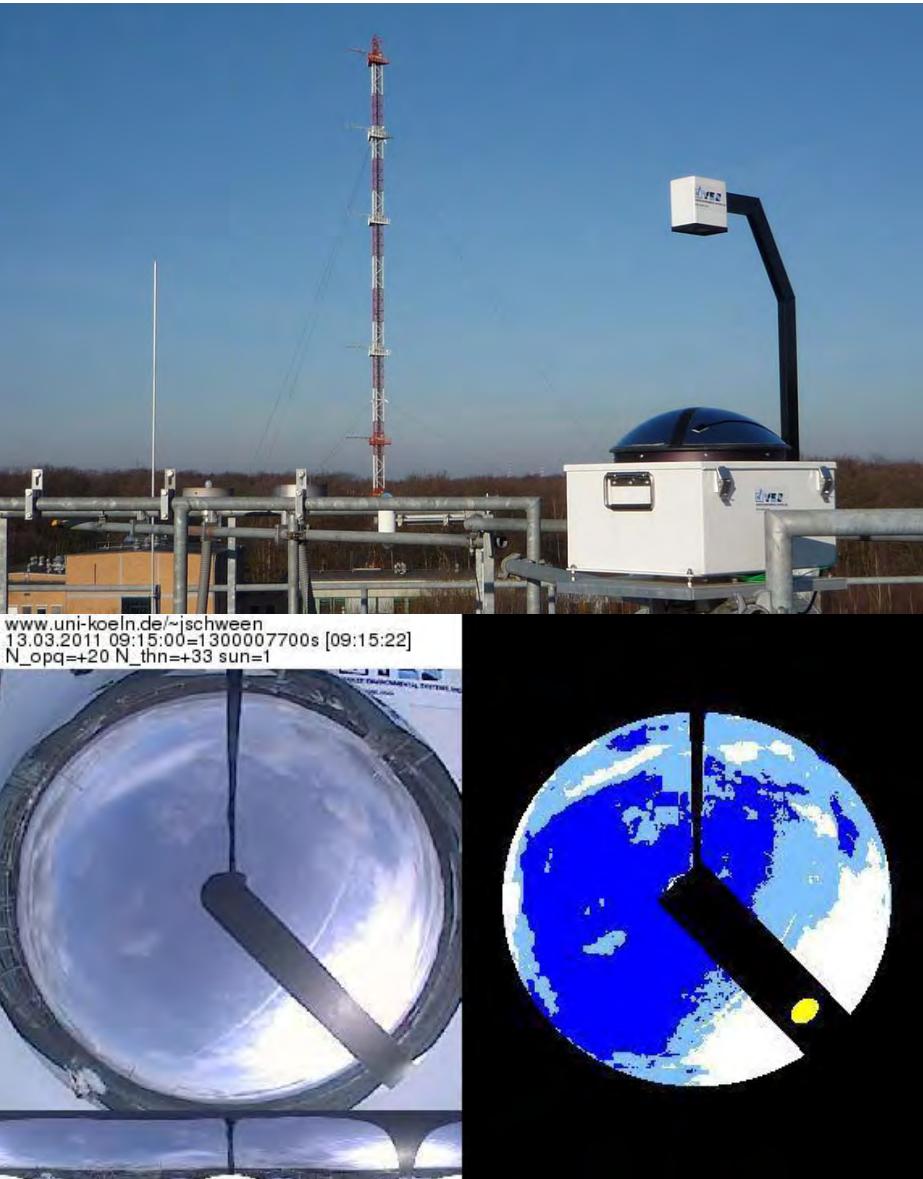
Water content & effective radius of **thin clouds**

Profiles of temperature, water vapor, CO_2



Coming in April 2011!

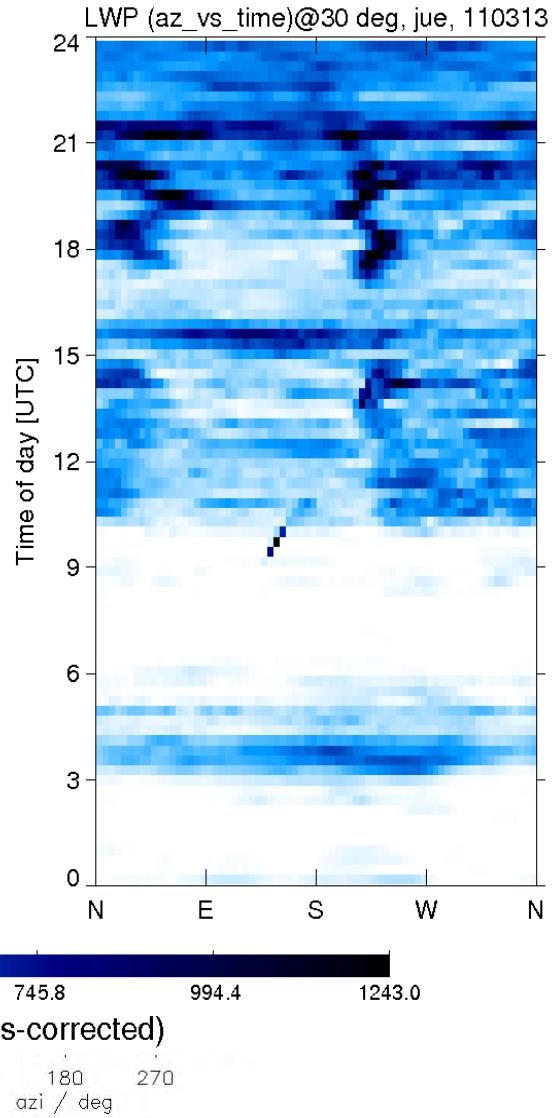
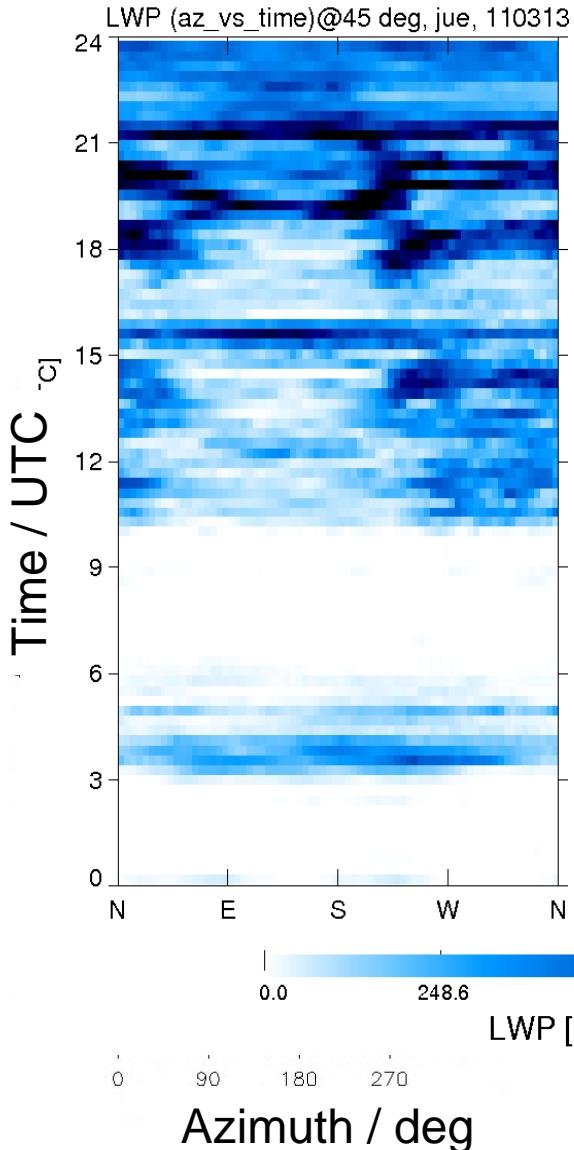
Total sky imager (TSI)



Hemispheric cloud observations

- Camera looks from above on spherical mirror
- Sun is blocked by black tape on mirror
- Every 20sec an image
- Cloud classification based on RGB values:
→ sky, thin- and opaque clouds
(blue, light blue and white)

TSI & HATPRO scans

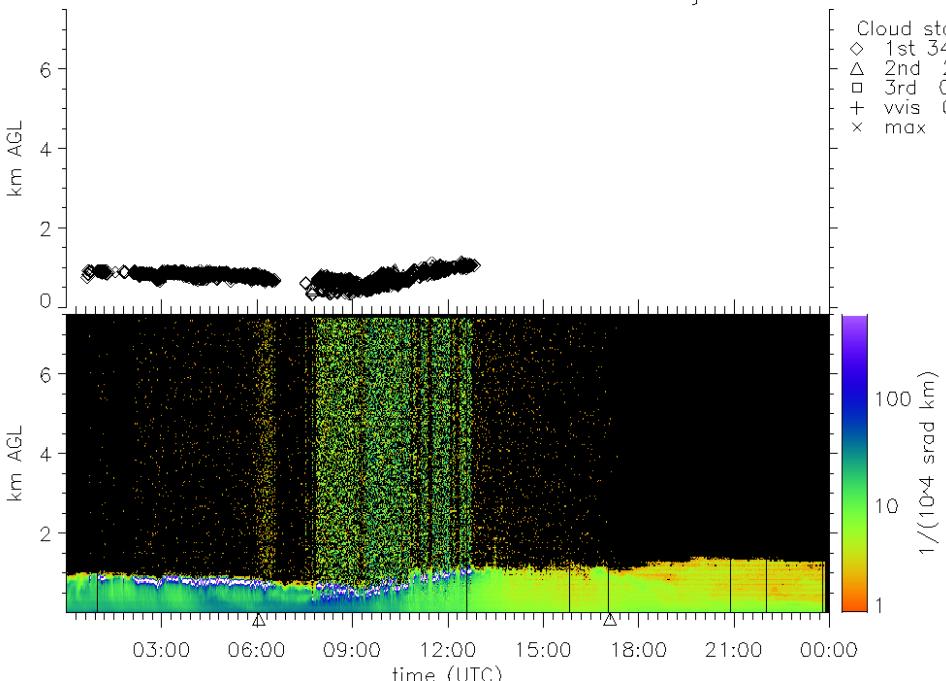


- Images give information about cloud type, distribution in the sky and temporal evolution
- Geometry of the imager allows pixel to coordinate transformation $x,y \rightarrow$ azimuth, elevation
- Comparison with punctual liquid water path (LWP) from microwave radiometer is possible

Ceilometer



Backscatter Coefficient from 110306_ct25k_jue_10b



- Determines cloud base height = ceiling (aviat.)
- Based on LIDAR principle: sends laser pulses and measures backscattered light
- Delivers profiles of backscatter coefficient
- Sensitivity allows detection of significant aerosol
→ atmospheric boundary layer height

Ultimately merge measurements: Integrated Profiling

Measurements = INPUT

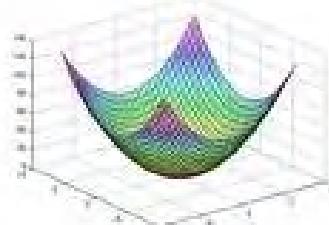
passive RS – measurem.
+ error

active RS – measurem.
+ error

in-situ measurem.
+ error

a priori information
+ error

Integration
Gauß-Newton
OPTIMAL
ESTIMATION



OUTPUT

atmospheric composition:
temperature, humidity,
hydrometeors
+ errors

To be applied operationally within
the next year

JOYCE & SFB/TR32

- Observations of temperature, humidity, clouds and precipitation for process studies and model validation in **SFB/TR32 „Patterns in Soil-Vegetation-Atmosphere Systems - Monitoring, modelling and data assimilation“**
- Interaction processes between surface, vegetation and atmosphere via spatially and temporally highly resolved observations of the atmospheric branch of the hydrological cycle (Project **D2** – Crewell, Wahner, Rascher)
 - long-term monitoring (statistical analysis)
 - process studies (field campaigns with water vapour DIAL, RS..) and support of Large Eddy Simulations (Project **D6** Shao, Kollet)
 - “routine validation” of COSMO-NRW (Project **C4** Simmer, Bott)
- Relation between cloud formation and precipitation production
Quantitative precipitation estimation
→ polarimetric rain radar at „Sophienhöhe“ & MicroRainRadar (MRR) at FZJ
Integration in project **D6** (Simmer, Friedrichs)

JOYCE Goals

Long-term observations of atmospheric state

- Application of Cloudnet/IPT in near real-time mode
→ consistent thermodynamic and microphysical profiles
- Retrieval “testbed” → „new“ synergies
- Satellite validation – pre-studies (Earthcare, GPM..)
- Investigation of Cloud-aerosol-radiation interaction
→ statistical assessment – filtering / classification of suitable cases
→ potentially running single column models (SCM) operationally
(co-operation Pier Siebesma, GEWEX)

Example

Kerstin Ebelt Susanne Crewell, Ulrich Löhnert, David D. Turner, Ewan J. O'Connor: Cloud statistics and cloud radiative effect for a low-mountain site, Quarterly Journal of the Royal Meteorological Society, March 2011

JOYCE Goals

Scanning observation

- Spatial representativeness of supersites – precondition for model validation and satellite validation
- Integration of ground-based and satellite borne observations
→ DFG project ICOS together with IfT and FU Berlin
- Derivation of 3D cloud fields
→ investigation of parametrizations (sub-grid cloudiness, cloud overlap)
→ parametrization of 3D radiation effects
- Characterizing 3D cloud structure in conjunction with the hemispheric scans of the atmospheric water vapour variability + rain radar
→ gain insight into cloud / drizzle / precipitation formation processes