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Swiss ground-based remote sensing network and its use in NWP assimilation

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1) Meteorology: back to some basics



Stull R.B., 1994 : An Introduction to Boundary Layer Meteorology. Kluwer Academic Publishers, 664pp.





2) Goal of the CN-MET project







- How do we ensure the atmospheric surveillance of nuclear power plants within the highly populated Mittelland of Switzerland ?
 - Either by combining tower measurements at the NPP sites and Gaussian types models of dispersion
 - Or by combining :





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♥a NWP model







Horizontal resolution: 2.2 km



3) The COSMO-2 NWP model



	COSMO-7	COSMO-2
General		
Resolution	6.6 km (0.06 deg)	2.2 km (0.02 deg)
Domain	393 × 338	520 × 350
Number of Layers	60	60
Time step	72 sec.	20 sec.
Lateral Boundary Conditions	ECMWF IFS	COSMO-7
Dynamics		
Kernel	Runge-Kutta	ditto
Horizontal Diffusion	u, v, t on LBC	ditto
Physics		
Deep Convection	parameterized (Tiedtke)	explicit
Microphysical parameterizations	NO graupel	graupel
	cloud ice	ditto
Turbulence	Prognostic TKE	ditto
Radiation	every 60'	every 15'
Soil Model	7 moisture layers	ditto
	8 temperature layers	ditto

Production



Data assimilation (nudging)

DATA from global measurement networks

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For this presentation, WIND data from

- Radiosounding of Payerne
- Wind profilers of Switzerland





4) Impact studies

Independent measurements

• Measurement campaign at Kleindöttingen



a) Case studies

• Examples

- 19 August, 2008
- 30 November, 2008



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1 December, 2008



24h Forecast







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Analysis



WP

25

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In

Wind Direction



24h Forecast





COSMO-2 Analysis from 2008-11-30 00:00 to 2008-12-02 00:00





Analysis

WP

b) Statistics (3 months)



Upper-air Verification profile at KDT (01 Aug 2008 00H - 31 Oct 2008 23H) - COSMO2 - ff >= 2 m/s



Number of outliers (within the profile) in function of time:

- No decrease of model performance f(lead time)
- Outliers concentrated on specific periods = typical weather situations (foehn,..) and maybe caused by a temporal shift of weather changes related to reality



The positive impact of ground-based remote sensing data assimilation into NWP model becomes more significant as the NWP model spatial scale becomes higher
Complex topography increases the need for supplementary measurement data to be assimilated in NWP models

Future

New comparison campaign in 2009 Assimilation of weather radar winds into COSMO-2 Assimilation of temperature + water vapor profiles from radiometers+GPS+? into COSMO-2 COSMO-1 ?

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Operational Swiss test bed for groundbased remote sensing



30 November, 2008



Monitoring of the assimilation cycle **Status: Wind Profiler**



Count of messages with valid 031001 BUFR table B descriptor value (DELAYED DESCRIPTOR REPLIC + Min: 24.00 NUMBER OF MESSAGES at station 07112/24 + Max: 96.00 NUMBER OF MESSAGES at station 07112/24 + MAX: 96.00 NUMBER OF MESSAGES AT station 07112/24 + MAX: 96.00 NUMBER OF MESSAGES AT station 07112/24 + MAX: 96.00 NUMBER OF MESSAGES AT station 07112/24 + MAX: 96.00 NUMBE



Number of windprofilers assimilated:

COSMO -7

August 2007: 8, January 2008: 14, August 2008: 17 COSMO-2

August 2007: 3, January 2008: 3, August 2008: 8



COST EG-CLIMET – MeteoSwiss activities

- End of project CN-MET
 - Reporting
 - Operational measurement network and COSMO-2 modelling activities
- Aerological station of Payerne involved in the GRUAN activities
 - Radiosounding
 - Lidar
 - Micro-wave radiometers
 - Ceilometer
 - BSRN
 - Etc ..

Swiss COST SG-CLIMET project

The aim of the project is to improve and integrate the different upper-air profiling systems, with the final goal of establishing a reference for upper air temperature and humidity profile measurements.

- Evaluate **humidity** measurements of the different remote sensing systems and crosscompare them with radiosonde profiles to learn about the pros and cons of the different methods.
- Evaluate **temperature** measurements of the different remote sensing systems and cross-compare them with homogenized series of radiosonde profiles to learn about the pros and cons of the different methods.
- Determine an optimal way to improve temporal resolution of radisonde humidity profiles with the help of the LIDAR or other remote sensing systems.
- Determine an optimal way to improve temporal resolution of radiosonde temperature profiles with the help of one or several remote sensing systems.
- Evaluate **IWV values** measured by different systems and test uncertainty as well as availability of the different systems