

## Lecture 15.

### Course Review: remote sensing science, applications, and techniques for studying the atmosphere and oceans

#### Clouds:

*Cloud amount/coverage (cloud mask)*

Visible+ IR => Lecture 10-11 and Lab 8

*Principles: based on a combination of thresholds for solar reflectivity and brightness temperature (in the IR)*

Active (CALIPSO, CloudSat) => Lab 10

*Cloud liquid water content (column integrated)*

Microwave => Lecture 8 and Lab 6

*Cloud type*

ISCCP classification => Lecture 10

*Cloud particle size distribution and optical depth*

MODIS retrieval technique => Lecture 10 and Lab 8

*Cloud thermodynamic phase*

MODIS retrieval technique => Lecture 10

*Cloud-top pressure*

O<sub>2</sub> absorption technique” and “CO<sub>2</sub> slicing technique => (see textbook)

*Cloud height and cloud detection*

Lidars/Radars => Lectures 12-13 and Lab 10

#### Aerosols:

*Aerosol optical depth/particle size distribution/Angstrom exponent*

Sunphotometers (AERONET ) => Lecture 4 and Lab 3

*Principles: based on measurements of direct solar radiation that permit to retrieve the aerosol optical depth*

Visible-near IR satellite remote sensing (MODIS, MISR, AVHRR,

SeaWiFS) => Lecture 6 and Lab 5

*Principles: based on measurements of reflected solar radiation and look-up tables for pre-defined aerosol models (size distribution and refractive index)*

*Vertical profile of backscattering and optical depth (lidars) =>*

Lecture 13 and Lab 10

**Ozone and trace gases (NO<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, BrO, OCIO):**

*Ozone profile*

Sounding => Lecture 9

*Other gases => see Table below*

**Table 15.1** Summary (incomplete) of satellite instruments, coverage of their measurements, **gases** measured and the satellite platform. The list is not intended to be complete, but merely to illustrate the currently available instrumentation.

Name	Target Species	Satellite Platform	Orbit
ATMOS, Atmospheric Trace Molecule Spectroscopy	O <sub>3</sub> , NO <sub>x</sub> , N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> ClO NO <sub>2</sub> , HCl, HF, CH <sub>4</sub> , CFCs, <i>etc.</i> (upper troposphere)	Space Shuttle Spacelab-3 (1985), ATLAS-1,2 and 3 (1992,1993, 1994)	inclined
<b>BUV</b> , Backscatter Ultraviolet Ozone Experiment	O <sub>3</sub> (profiles)	Nimbus-4 (1970-1974)	Polar
<b>GOME</b> , Global Ozone Monitoring Experiment	O <sub>3</sub> , NO <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> O BrO, OCIO, SO <sub>2</sub> , HCHO, clouds, aerosol	ESA-ERS-2 (1995-present), METOP-1 - METOP-3 (2005/6 2010/11, 2015/16)	Polar, Sun Sync.
<b>GOMOS</b> , Global Ozone Monitoring by Occultation of Stars	O <sub>3</sub> , NO <sub>2</sub> , upper troposphere	ESA ENVISAT (2001 -)	Polar, Sun Sync.
<b>IASI</b> , Imaging Atmospheric Sounding Instrument	O <sub>3</sub> , CO, CH <sub>4</sub> , N <sub>2</sub> O, SO <sub>2</sub>	METOP-1 (2005/6)	Polar, Sun Sync.
<b>IMG</b> , Interferometric Monitor for Greenhouse Gases	O <sub>3</sub> , N <sub>2</sub> O, H <sub>2</sub> O, CH <sub>4</sub> , CO and CO <sub>2</sub>	ADEOS (1996-97), ADEOS-II (2001)	Polar, Sun Sync.
<b>MERIS</b> , Medium Resolution Imaging Spectrometer for Passive Atmospheric Sounding	H <sub>2</sub> O, clouds and aerosol	ESA-ENVISAT (2000)	Polar, Sun Sync.
<b>MIPAS</b> , Michelson Inferometer for Passive Atmospheric Sounding	O <sub>3</sub> , NO <sub>x</sub> , N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> ClONO <sub>2</sub> , CH <sub>4</sub> , CFCs, <i>etc.</i> ; temperature (upper troposphere)	ESA ENVISAT (2000)	Polar, Sun Sync.
<b>MOPITT</b> , Measurement of Pollution in the Troposphere	Total column of CO; CH <sub>4</sub> + CO profiles	NASA AM-1 (1999)	
<b>ODUS</b> , Ozone Dynamics Ultraviolet Spectrometer	SO <sub>2</sub> , NO <sub>2</sub> , BrO, OCIO	GCOM-A1 Prog, Japan (2005)	inclined
<b>OMI</b> , Ozone Monitoring Instrument	O <sub>3</sub> , SO <sub>2</sub> , NO <sub>2</sub> ,	NASA-EOS-CHEM (2004)	Polar, Sun Sync.
<b>SAGE I-II</b> Stratospheric Aerosol and Gas Experiment	O <sub>3</sub> , NO <sub>2</sub> , (H <sub>2</sub> O), aerosols (upper troposphere)	NASA- Atmospheric Explorer Mission (1979-81), Earth Radiation Budget Sat. (1984 - pres.)	inclined
<b>SAGE III</b> , Stratospheric Aerosol and Gas Experiment III	O <sub>3</sub> , OCIO, BrO, NO <sub>2</sub> , NO <sub>3</sub> aerosols	Meteor 3M (2001); International Space Station (2003?)	inclined
<b>SBUV</b> , Solar Backscatter Ultraviolet Ozone Experiment	O <sub>3</sub> profiles	Nimbus-7 (1979-90)	polar

<b>SCIAMACHY</b> , Scanning Imaging Absorption Spectrometer for Atmospheric Cartography	O <sub>2</sub> , O <sub>3</sub> , O <sub>4</sub> , NO, NO <sub>2</sub> , N <sub>2</sub> O, BrO, OClO H <sub>2</sub> CO, H <sub>2</sub> O, SO <sub>2</sub> , HCHO, CO, CO <sub>2</sub> , CH <sub>4</sub> , clouds, aerosols, p, T, col. and profiles	ESA-ENVISAT (2001)	Polar, Sun Sync.
<b>TES</b> , Tropospheric Emission Spectrometer	Various incl. HNO <sub>3</sub> , O <sub>3</sub> , NO, H <sub>2</sub> O (col. and profiles)	NASA-EOS-CHEM (2004)	
<b>TOMS</b> , Total Ozone Monitoring Spectrometer	O <sub>3</sub>	Nimbus 7 (1979-92) ADEOS (1996-97) Earth Probe (1996-) Meteor (1992-94)	polar
<b>OMI</b> , Ozone Monitoring Instrument	O <sub>3</sub> , NO <sub>2</sub> , SO <sub>2</sub> , BrO, OClO	Aura (July 2004-present)	polar

*Gases profile:*

Lidars => Lecture 13

**Water vapor:**

Integrated column (total precipitable water) from microwave =>

Lecture 8 and Lab 6

Profile from IR sounding => Lecture 9

Profile from microwave sounding => Lecture 9

Profile from Raman lidar, DIAL => Lecture 12

**Precipitation**

Visible/IR techniques => Lecture 10-11

*Principles: indirect method that relates properties of clouds to precipitation*

Microwave techniques => Lecture 10-11

*Principles: direct method that relates the optical depth associated with the emitting rain drops and brightness temperature measured by a passive microwave radiometer.*

Radar => Lecture 12 and Lab 9

*Principles: measured backscattering from rain drops is related to the Z factor (size distribution) and then to precipitation via Z-R relationship*

**Atmospheric temperature (profile)**

IR (or microwave) sounding techniques => Lecture 9 and Lab 7

*Principles: multi-spectral remote sensing in the 15 μm CO<sub>2</sub> absorbing band (in microwave in the O<sub>2</sub> absorbing region)*

**Sea Surface Temperature**

IR split-window technique => Lecture 9

Microwave techniques => Lecture 9

**Ocean color mapping**

Solar remote sensing (MODIS, SeaWiFS) => Lecture 5

**Sea ice**

Passive microwave => Lecture 2 and Lab 1

Active microwave (radars) => (see textbook)