Fukushima-Daiichi: Modelling of Atmospheric Dispersion and Comparison with Measurements

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Motivation

- At the BfS several atmospheric dispersion models are employed for different applications; all related to radioactive releases and the resulting immission in the surrounding of the source(s)
- Wish for model validation; how much can we trust in the model results?
- After the accident at Fukushima-Daiichi NPP a lot of measurements were carried out and efforts have been made to reconstruct the sourceterm
 - · This is the sort of data set that we can use to run our models
 - Comparison of model results and measurements is possible



RODOS – Realtime Online Decision Support System

- Helps Decision Makers in the case of a nuclear accident with shortterm prognosis of expected hazards and possible countermeasures
 - Gaussian-Puff-Model ATSTEP
 - Model area of 200km x 200 km, resolution decreases from the middle to the outside
 - Meteorological data: fields from NWP as well as pointmeasurements can be used





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RODOS – Realtime Online Decision Support System



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ARTM – Atmospheric Radionuclide Transport Model

- Developed for the calculation of the maximum dose that a reference person can receive during one year in the surrounding of a NPP
 - Model area typically 15km x 15km
 - Nested grids possible
 - Lagrangian particle model
 - Diagnostic wind model to account for orography
 - Boundary layer flow model

+ post-processing dose modul

Only single-point input for meteorological data possible

(free download at http://www.grs.de/content/ausbreitungsmodellierung)





Input Data – Meteorological Data

German Weather Service (DWD) NWP Data at Daiichi NPP in 10 m



Input Data - Sourceterm

Source term constructed from the estimation of JAEA and NSC





Aerogamma Measurements by MEXT and DOE



- Total deposition of Cs-137 and Cs-134 in the 80 km zone around Fukushima-Daiichi NPP
 - Measurements between April
 6 to 29, corrected to April 29







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RODOS NWP-Data – Aerogamma Measurements

Deposition of Cs-134 and Cs-137 in Bq/m²







Conclusions

- with the information available now, RODOS simulates the observed ground deposition quite well within the 30 km zone, but overerstimates the radial extent of the contaminated area
- for immission prognosis on a scale of 100 km, a multi-point meterological input is needed
- information on spatial and time distribution of precipitation is crutial for the simulated deposition intensities



