



# Validation of the ocean products from the space-borne ATLAS, ALADIN and CALIOP and air-borne LNG lidars

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## 10- Measurement techniques and observations of Ocean properties

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# Purpose of the study



Remote sensing of ocean color has changed our vision of the distribution of phytoplankton and ocean carbon for the past forty years → Synoptic view at high spatial (hundreds to thousand meters) and temporal (~2 days) resolutions  
**BUT** observation limited to clear-sky, day-light, over clouds, high Sun elevation angles and are exponentially weighted toward the ocean surface

- **LIDAR can help to overcome some of these issues**
- No existing oceanic profiling lidar but space-borne lidars exist: CALIOP on CALIPSO and ATLAS on IceSat-2
- **Need to validate the oceanic products from those space-borne lidars**

## DATASET

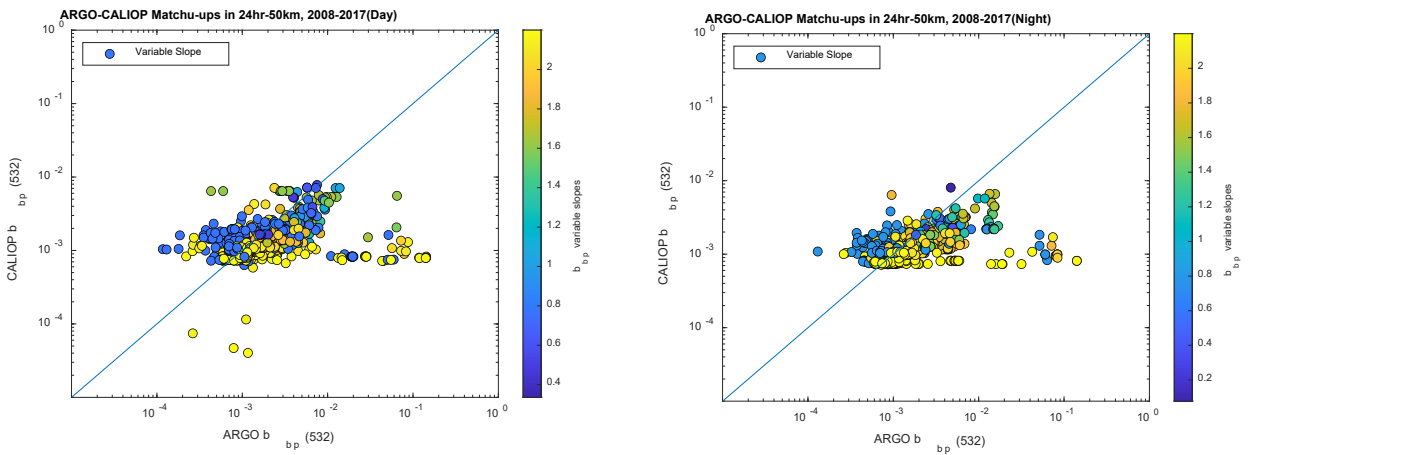
- **AEOLUS DATA**
  - ALADIN UV HSRL
  - Monitoring of wind profiles
- **CALIOP DATA**
  - ([http://orca.science.oregonstate.edu/lidar\\_nature\\_2019.php](http://orca.science.oregonstate.edu/lidar_nature_2019.php))
  - 2010-2017
  - Globally
  - Day- and nighttime
- **IN-SITU MEASUREMENTS**
  - In-situ measurements in Cabo Verde
  - BGC-Argo (Claustre et al., 2020)
    - Globally
    - 2010-2017



Sensor	Dates	# stations
ADM/AEOLUS	10-15-17-22 Sept. 2021	9
CALIOP	09 Sept. 2021	2
LNG	10-17-18 Sept. 2021	11

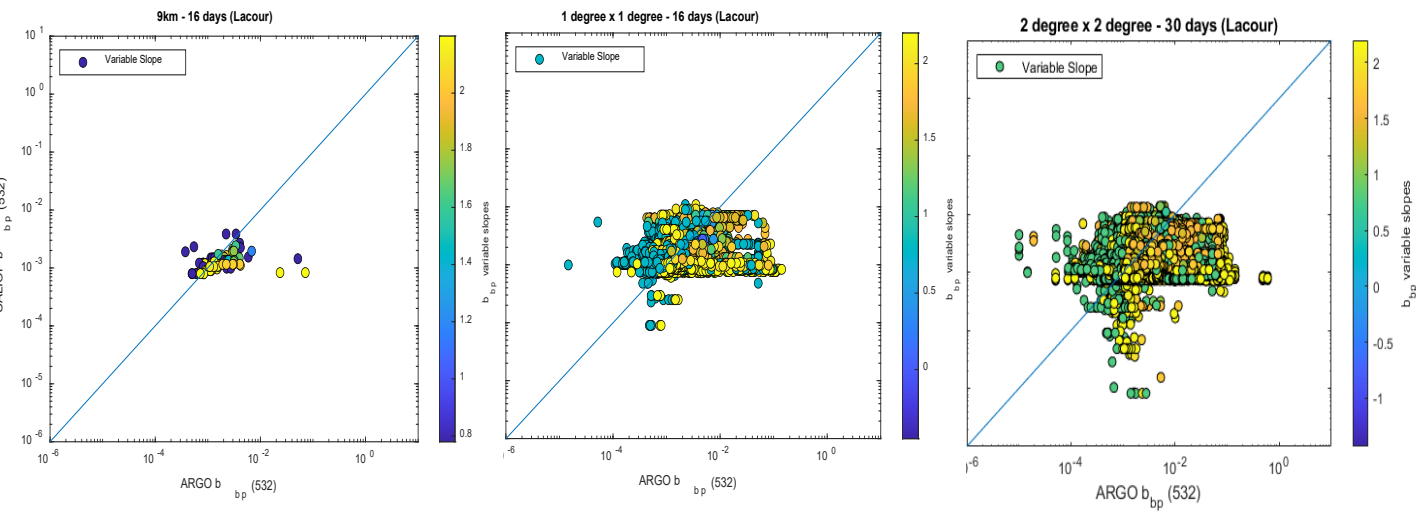


MATCHUPS RESULTS FOLLOWING BISSON MATCHUP PROTOCOL FOR CALIOP



	DAY	DAY	NIGHT	NIGHT
Statistical parameters	Fixed slope	Variable slope	Fixed slope	Variable slope
N	1007	1007	788	788
RMSE (m <sup>-1</sup> )	0.00983	0.01385	0.00927	0.01232
Bias (m <sup>-1</sup> )	-0.00170	-0.00265	-0.00173	-0.00257
Relative Error (%)	56	49	48	43

MATCHUPS RESULTS FOLLOWING LACOUR

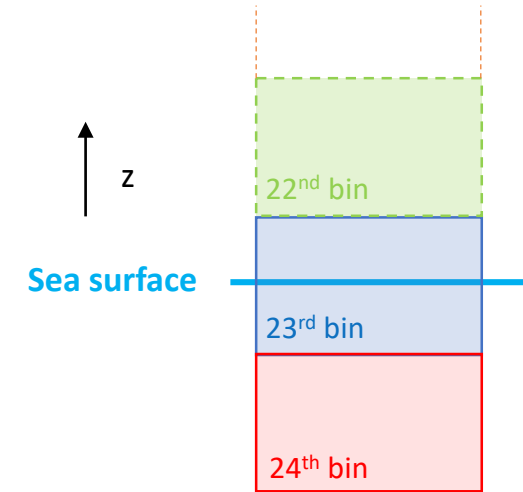


	CONFIG 1 ALL	CONFIG 1 ALL	CONFIG 2 ALL	CONFIG 2 ALL	CONFIG 3 ALL	CONFIG 3 ALL
Statistical parameters	Fixed slope	Variable slope	Fixed slope	Variable slope	Fixed slope	Variable slope
N	102	102	15103	15103	146263	146263
RMSE (m <sup>-1</sup> )	0.00707	0.00896	0.00738	0.019493	0.009973	0.01343
Bias (m <sup>-1</sup> )	-0.00138	-0.00204	-0.001139	-0.001744	-0.001474	-0.002184
Relative Error (%)	44	44	61	54	61	53

- Estimation approach for the **LiDAR derived optical parameters**

- ADM-AEOLUS HSRL algorithm

- Taking into account the **altitude of the bins** to get signal from the **ocean**
    - SNR of bin #24 may be too low -> **choice of bin #23**
    - Decomposition of the Lidar signal in bin #23 (Li et al., 2007; Josset et al., 2010)



$$S(23) = S_{atm} + S_s + S_{wc} + S_o$$

Corrected by using the 22<sup>nd</sup> bin considering the lower atmosphere homogeneous

Signal of interest for this study

$\approx 0$  as the off-nadir angle of ADM-AEOLUS is 35°

$\approx 0$  for low surface wind (<3 m.s<sup>-1</sup>)

- $S_{atm}$  is the **contribution of the atmosphere** in the 23<sup>rd</sup> bin
      - The **specular reflection of the LiDAR signal on the sea surface**  $S_s$  is a function of the wind speed
      - The **whitecaps signal**  $S_{wc}$  is a function of the effective reflectance and the surface wind
      - $S_o$  is the ocean attenuated backscatter signal, i.e. the **signal of interest**

## COMPARISON OF AEOLUS DERIVED- $b_{bp}$ AGAINST IN-SITU MEASUREMENTS IN CARO VERDE

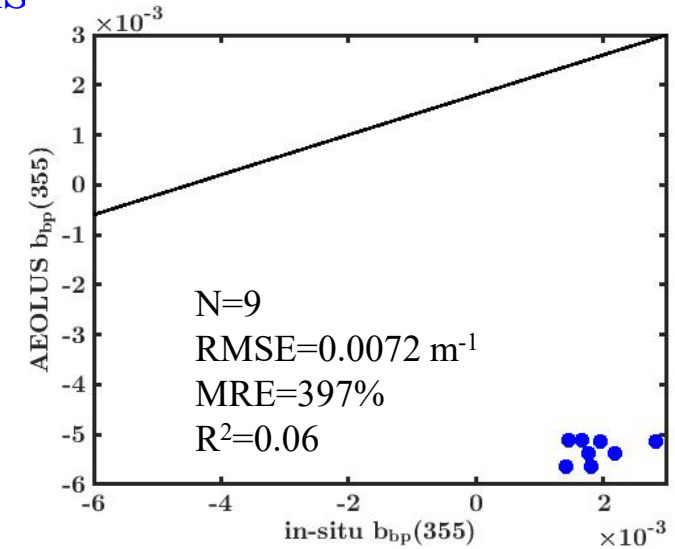
$$\beta_P = \beta_M \frac{(K_{Ray} C_1 - S_R K_{Mie} C_4)}{(S_R K_{Mie} C_3 - K_{Ray} C_2)}, \text{ with } S_R = S_M / S_P$$

$$b_{bp} = 2\pi \cdot \chi(180^\circ) \cdot \beta_p$$

$$S_{atm}(23) = S_{atm}(22) \frac{\text{altitude\_bin}(23)}{\text{height\_bin}(23)}$$

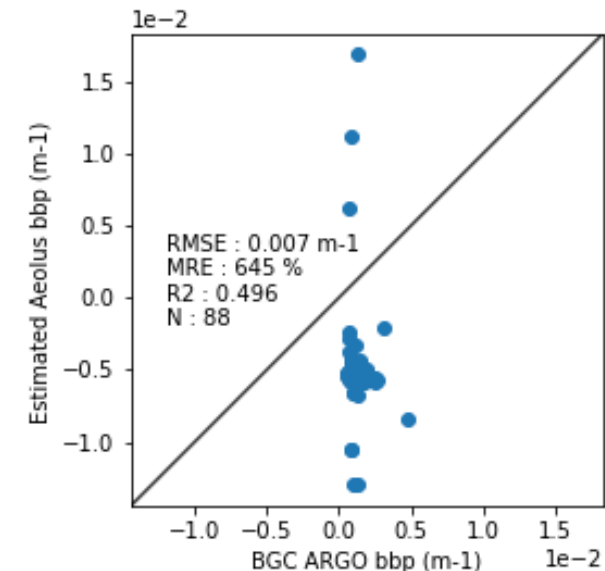
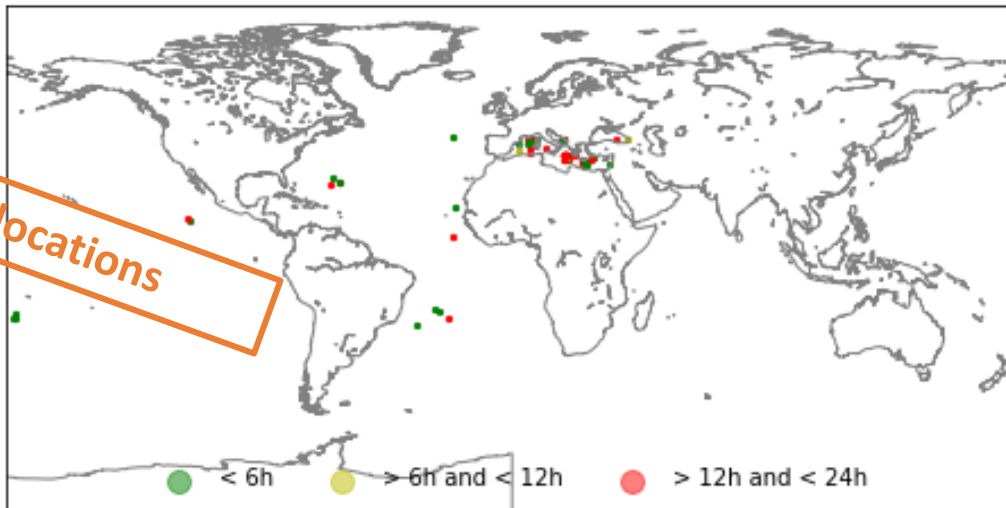
› Cross-talk (for **water spectra**,

$$C_1 = 1.14, C_2 = 1.64, C_3 = 1.30, C_4 = 1.00)$$



## COMPARISON OF AEOLUS DERIVED- $b_{bp}$ AGAINST IN-SITU MEASUREMENTS GLOBALLY

Temporal distance between Aeolus and BGC Argo measurements



- Use of space-borne lidar to estimate bio-optical and biogeochemical properties of the seawater → No dedicated oceanic lidar → Use of CALIOP, ATLAS and ALADIN → Need to validate estimates
- **Validation of CALIOP oceanic products using BGC-Argo and two different validation schemes**
  - Comparison of two validation protocols for the day- and nighttime CALIOP  $b_{bp}$  data using BGC-Argo worldwide between 2010 and 2017
  - **Slight differences between day- and nighttime**
  - **Increased errors when increasing the temporal and distance windows**
  - **Impact of the  $b_{bp}$  spectral slope**
  - **Impact of the calculation of BGC-Argo  $b_{bp}(532)$  from  $b_{bp}(700)$**
- Need to mix between config 1 of Lacour and Bisson's scheme
- Need to validate against other datasets such as in Cabo Verde
- **Need to develop a validation protocol adopted by the community**
- **Algorithm's development to use ALADIN UV HSRL signals to estimate the particulate back-scattering coefficient at 355 nm**
  - **High error on  $b_{bp}$  retrievals**
  - Impact on the way to correct the atmosphere
  - Negative values when including Cx coefficients
  - No relevant to derive  $POC$  and  $C_{phyto}$  at this stage
- **Need to better understand the ALADIN signal (threshold on the SNR, binning on more observations)**
- **Sensitivity study on the Cx values**
- **Need to consider the surface as a function of the wind speed**
- **Need to understand the content of the ground signal → May be useful to correct the contribution of the atmosphere**



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