



AKADEMIA GÓRNICZO-HUTNICZA  
IM. STANISŁAWA STASZICA W KRAKOWIE



# MRV – what do we truly know?

## *Metrology perspective*

**Jarek Necki**

Dep. of Physics and Applied Computer Science  
AGH – University of Science and Technology

**Anatoli Smirnov**  
**Sabina Assan**

EMBER

Methane Mondays

UNECE

virtual 21.02.2022

# MRV – what do we know?

## *Metrology perspective*

## Emissions

CH<sub>4</sub> area flux (kg/(m<sup>2</sup>h))

CH<sub>4</sub> release rate (kg/h)

CH<sub>4</sub> mole fraction (ppm)

CH<sub>4</sub> release (kg)

CH<sub>4</sub> concentration (kg/m<sup>3</sup>)

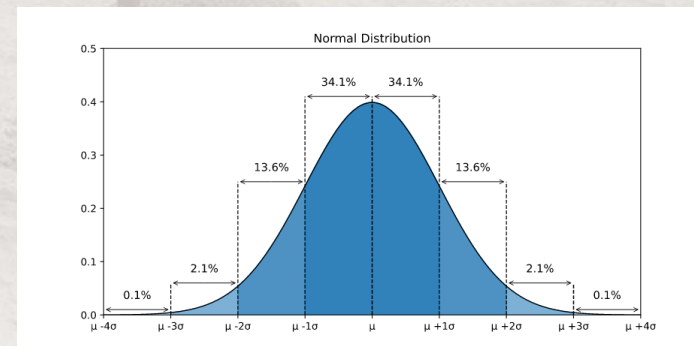
CH<sub>4</sub> mixing ratio (%)

Each variable – measurement result  $X$  – is obtained with uncertainty  $u(X)$

e.g.  $C = 1.2\%$      $u(C) = 0.2\%$

In most cases it means that there is a 68% Chance that real value of  $C$  is between 1% and 1.4%

But still, there is 1/6 Chance that the mixing ratio is higher



# MRV – what do we know?

## Metrology perspective

### CH<sub>4</sub> measurements – Precision accuracy

$$CH_4(t_i) = C(t_i)Flow\_rate(t_i)$$



- If,  $C(t_i)=0.3\%$ ,  $F\_r(t_i)=10000m^3/min$  and  $u(C)=0.1\%$  and  $u(F\_r)=100m^3/min$  then:

$$CH_4(t_i)=30m^3/min, \quad u(CH_4(t_i))=10m^3/min$$

when aggregated to yearly **CH<sub>4</sub>(year)=11±8kt**

what means that any declared reduction by 20% can be true only with 50% chance!



$$U(C) = 0.1\%$$

# MRV – what do we know?

## *Metrology perspective*

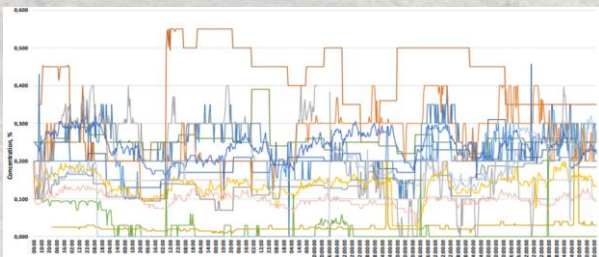
## Uncertainty

- **What does affect the uncertainty ?**

Variability

Precision Accuracy

Conditions



Representativeness in time and space ?

# MRV – what do we know?

## *Metrology perspective*

- Different methodology for:



Dusty

Space integration

Supersaturation, high CO<sub>2</sub>

Incidental emissions

APEX requirements

Low mole fractions (2-200ppm)

VAM mixing ratio 0 – 2%

DM mixing ratio 40 – 100%



# MRV – what do we know?

## Metrology perspective

## Measurements techniques

Catalytic ; Semiconductor; Optical:

DAS, TDLAS, DIAL, OGI, CEAS:

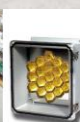
CRDS,  
ICOS,  
OFCEAS,...



Closed path TDLAS



Open path TDLAS



DOI: 10.3390/rs9090953

Mošick, M., Crowther, B., Lemay, R., Valigadas, P., Fu, L., Lung, B., Chambers, A. (2015). Development of differential absorption lidar (DIAL) for detection of CO<sub>2</sub>. ONAND PM in Alberta. Advanced Environmental, Chemical, and Biological Sensing Technologies XII. doi:10.1117/12.2176984



AGH

# MRV – what do we know?

## *Metrology perspective*

20kUSD

### • What is available?

♦ **TDLAS** – open path

1 pcs

Retroreflectors ⊗

5 pcs

Low cost **DAS** ◆

10 pcs

with bLM or IGM

Low cost ●

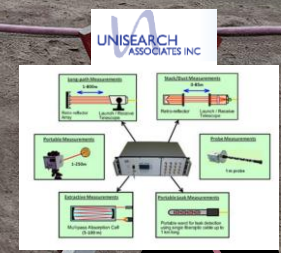
**Semiconductor Sensor**

100 pcs

Anemometers 3D



Modelling required



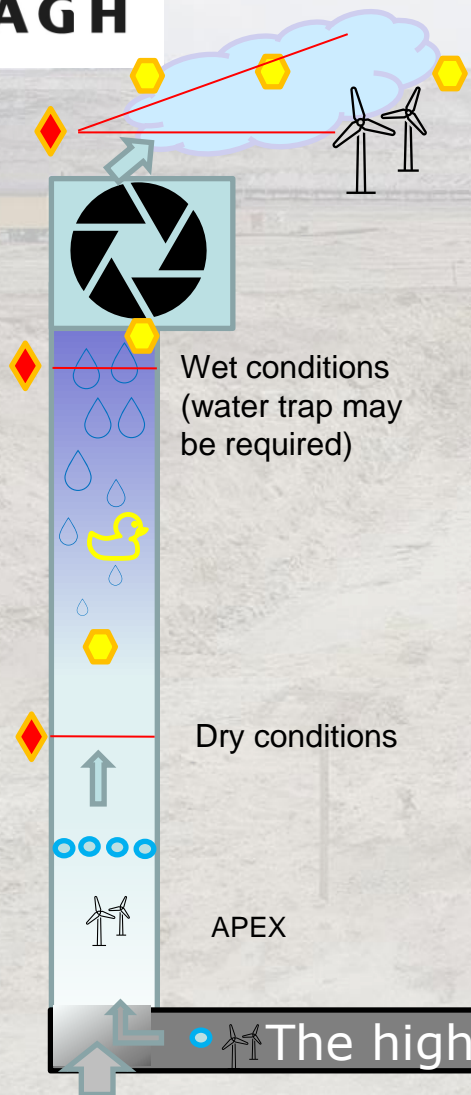


**AGH**

# MRV – what do we know?

## *Metrology perspective*

### • Where can we measure?



**TDLAS** – open path 1pcs ◆  
Retroreflectors 1 pcs

Low cost **DAS** 3pcs ◆  
with bLM or IGM

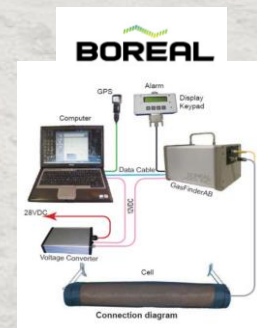
Anemometers 3D (lowest level and outside)

Low cost **Semiconductor Sensor** 10 pcs ●

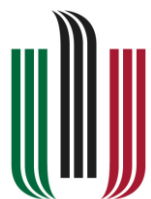
Anemometers or Pitot tubes

Tracer release (ocassionally) ◆

• The highest gallery input







# MRV – what do we know?

## *Metrology perspective*

- **Models**

Wherever we can't do direct measurements

Lagrangian models

bLS

Follows the single particles

good for point receptor

Gaussian models

IGM

Follows the whole plume (averaged)

good for open path analyser

Mass balance

MB

Counts the mass

good for airborne  
platforms or DIAL

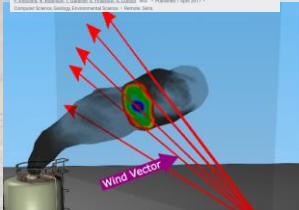


# MRV – what do we know?

## *Metrology perspective*

- Verification

Differential Absorption Lidar (DIAL)  
Measurements of Landfill Methane Emissions

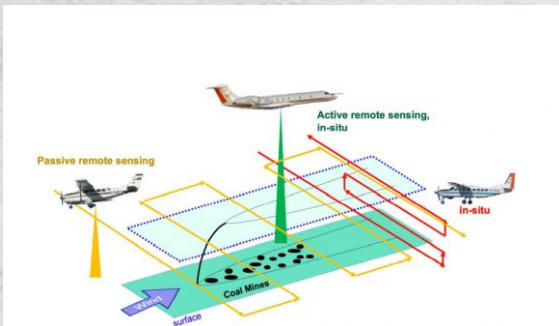


DIAL (lidar) 0.4M\$ one per country



CEAS (light, MIR)

40k\$ one per institution



DIAL, CEAS (heavy, MIR), OGS (SWIR)

?\$ few per continent

CEAS (mobile, MIR, SWIR)



60k\$ one per institution