MADIS & Winds, Wind Shift, Wind Shear

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MADIS

Meteorological Assimilation Data Ingest System

- Operational Data Ingest System for the NWS Rapid Update Model (24 x 7 system)
- Assimilates data from many surface systems
- Automatic Data Quality Analysis
 - Simple Bounds Check (Sanity Check)
 - Consistency Checks
 - Temporal Consistency
 - Spatial Consistency
 - Derived Parameter analysis
 - Maintains data failure statistics (maintenance issues)
- New data systems are being added

Thoughts

- Possible Enhancements
 - Climatological Bounds Checking adjusted for season and time-of-day
 - More consistency checking
 - Fog and Cig vs. T-Td
- Run off-line to detect chronic problems
 - New data systems
 - Regular review of existing data systems
 - Winds siting analysis

Winds, Wind Shift, & Wind Shear

- 50% of GA accidents involve Wind, etc.
- ITWS FAA system
 - Currently available wind products
 - Gridded Winds, Wind Shift, Wind Shear
 - 5 minute, 2 km grid, 100 km about airport
 - 45 major airports
- Could have
 - Turbulence in Urban Canyons
 - Wind shifts from Convective Weather analysis
- How important is this?