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Research and Development

Use of new observations in ACCORD

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- Rain attenuation in microlinks

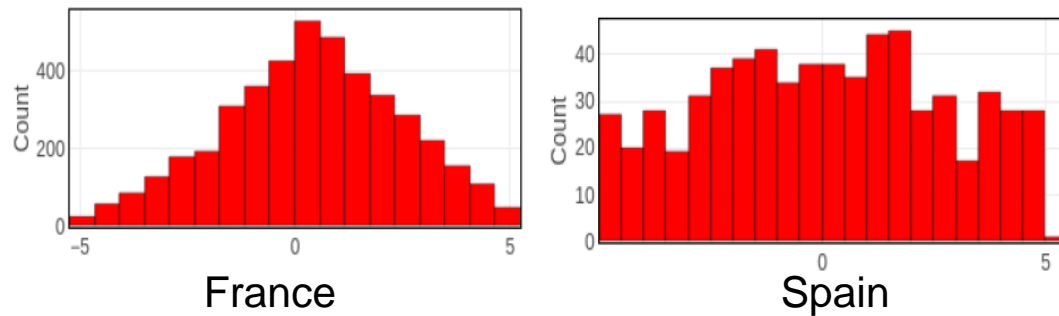
- **Conclusions**

Doppler wind assimilation

Towards enhanced use of OPERA Doppler winds

- „Radar revolution“ in MEPS of MetCoOp: increased density of winds, smaller obs. errors, less thinning
- OPERA OIFS vs. ODE studies
- Wind assimilation studies over Spanish domains
- Validation of dealiased Doppler winds

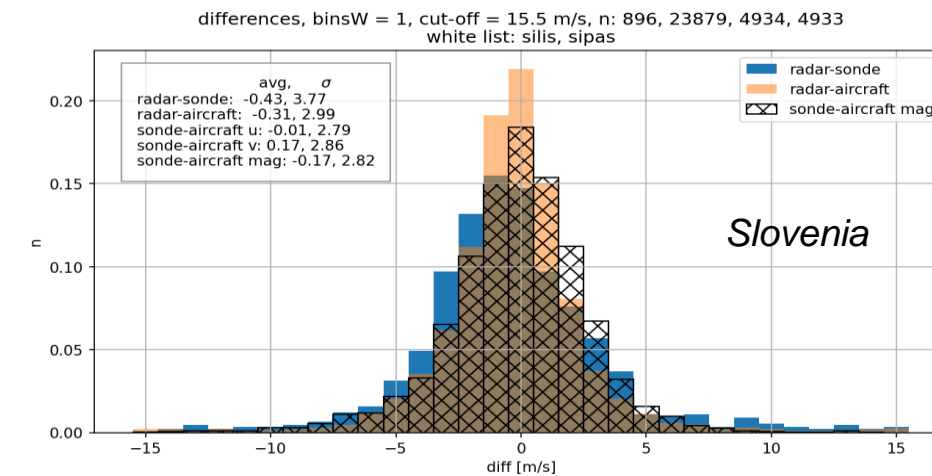
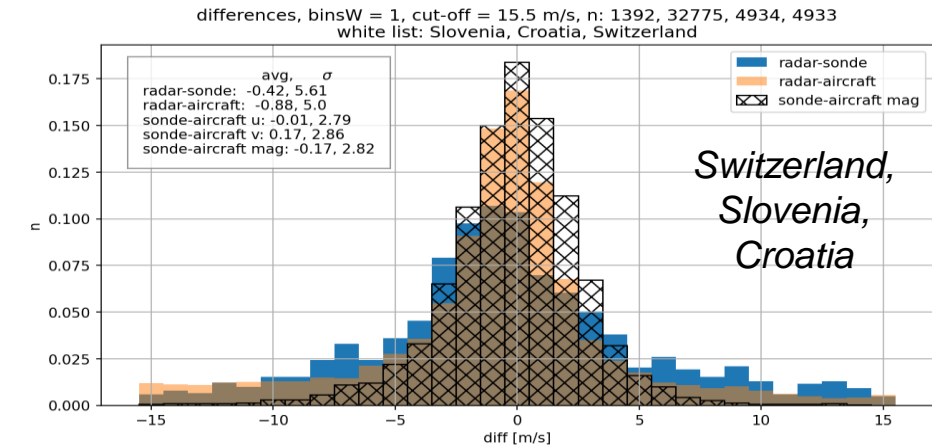
Radial winds FG departures



=> Higher-quality provision expected over Spain, reflectivity-optimized wind scans potentially useful.

Work of J. Sanchez, M. Ridal, M.Dahlbom

Differences between dealiased radar, radiosonde and aircraft winds scans with low NI in 2021

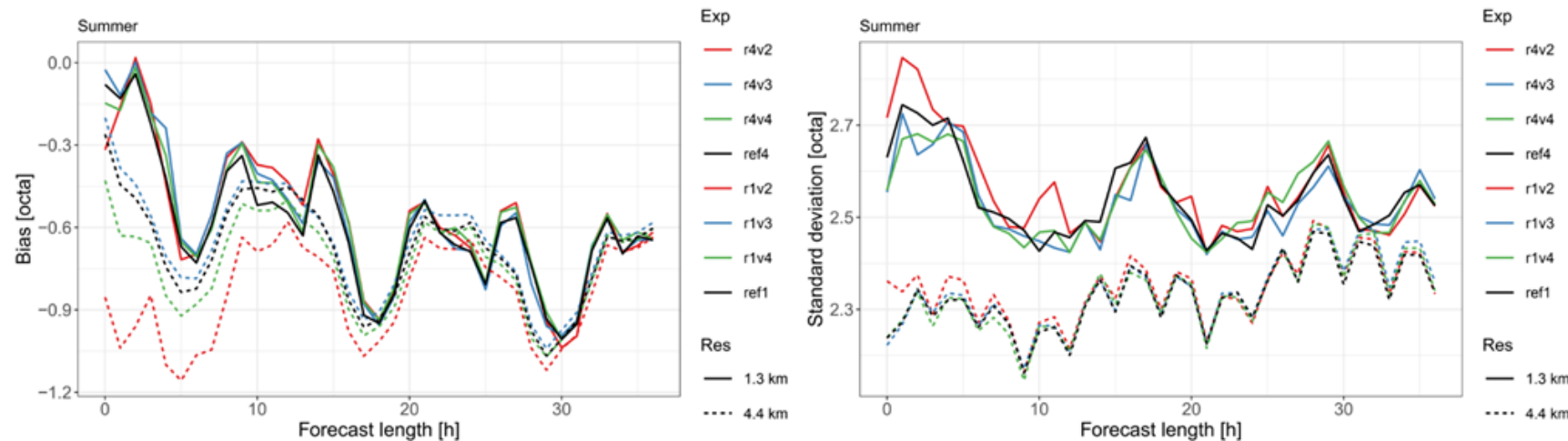


Work of V. Švagelj, B. Strajnar, P Smerkol

Improvements of the 1D-Bayesian scheme for radar reflectivity

Within the **ALARO-CSC**

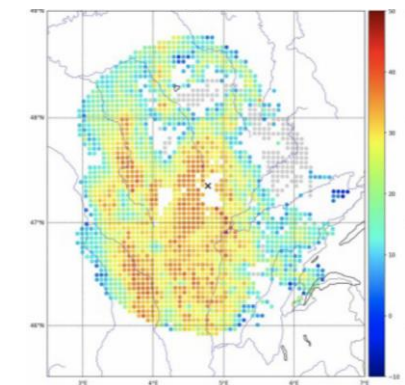
Within the e-suite **AROME-FR**



- Reflectivity DA decreases with cloudiness (dry observations)
- Universal approach for OPERA modified for use of less observations, redefined sensitivity thresholds
- Radar DA operational in 1.3 km ALARO-RUC (Slovenia)
- AROME-FR: New settings allow more realistic retrievals with a better variability more consistent with observations

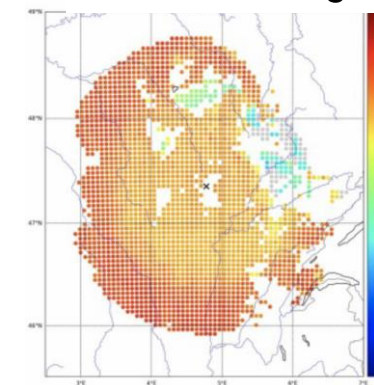
Work of A. Bučaneč, B. Strajnar, S. Panežić

Observed reflectivities

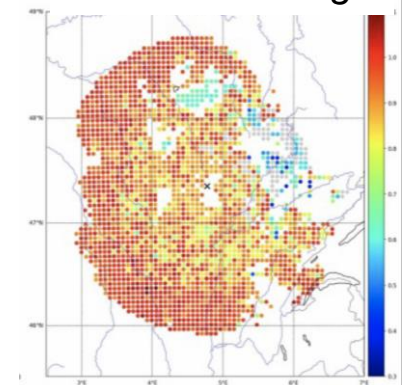


Retrieved RH

with old settings



with new settings



Work of M. Martet

Mode-S observations

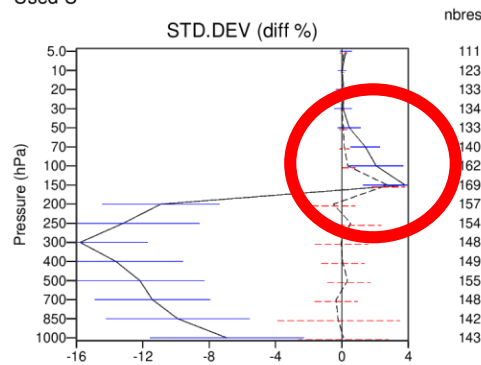
In the next parallel e-suite **AROME-FR (EnVar)**

Within the **MEPS/MetCoOp**

Impact of Mode-S data on FG fits

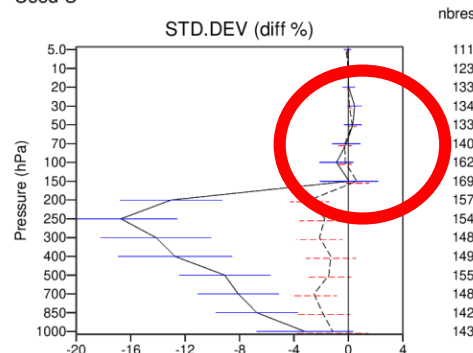
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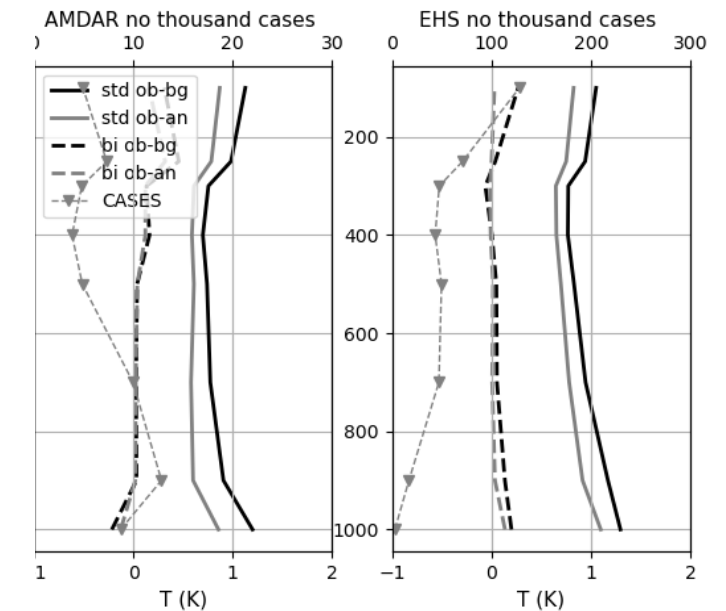
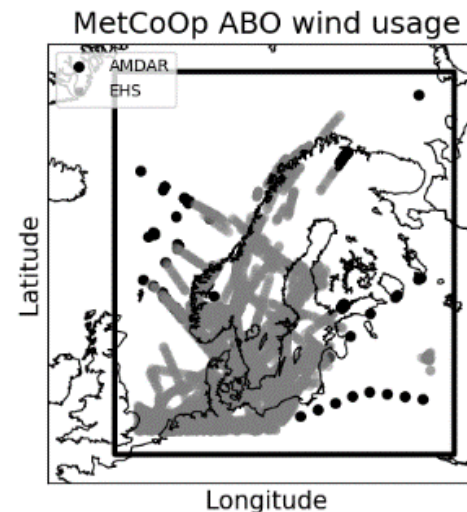
within the
AROME
3D-EnVar



Work of Vivien Pourret

⇒ *EnVar enhances the impact of Mode-S data with a better handling of vertical correlations within the background error covariances.*

- Quality and coverage of EMADDC T improved substantially (today both Modes EHS wind and T data comparable with AMDAR)
- Impact:
 - AROME-FR: large and clear impact below 150 hPa
 - MetCoOp: neutral impact on average (lots of other data assimilated), improved individual weather situations.



Work of Roohollah Azad, Magnus Lindskog,
Siebren de Haan and Martin Ridal, Idir Dehmous

Use of clear-sky radiances

In **HARMONIE-AROME** systems of various HIRLAM centers

M=MHS A=AMSU-A AT=ATMS I=IASI SEV=SEVIRI C=Cris MW2=MWHS-2

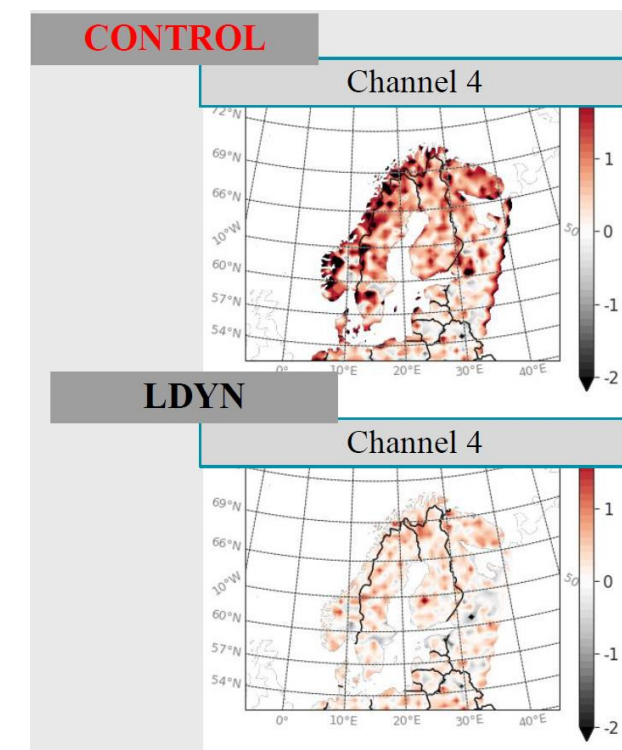
Satellite/ Center	N18	N19	N20	NPP	MET-B	MET-C	FY3D	FY3E	MT-11
MetCoOp	A	M,A	AT,C	AT,C	M,A,I	M,A,I	MW2		SEV
AEMET	A	M,A			M,A,I	M,A			SEV
Met IE	A	M, A	AT	AT	M, A, I	M, A., I	MW2		
DMI	A	M,A	AT,C	AT	M,A,I	M,A,I	MW2		
AR-ARC	A	M,A	AT,C	AT,C	M,A,I	M,A,I	MW2		
NL-AR	A	M,A	AT	AT	A, M	A, M	MW2		

Oper > 3m, Oper < 3m, Preop. <3m, Preop. >3 months but not in oper. yet, in R&D

- Substantial work on research, pre-operational and operational implementation
- Use of retrieved/dynamic surface emissivity AMSU-A & MHS window channels over land and sea-ice improved FG departures and more observations can be used
- Configuration to be applied for EUMETSAT/ESA mission AWS

Work of Stephanie Guedj, Magnus Lindskog, Reima Eresmaa, Roger Randriamampianina

Mean FG dep. for classification-based and dynamic emissivity for Ch-4 AMSU-A



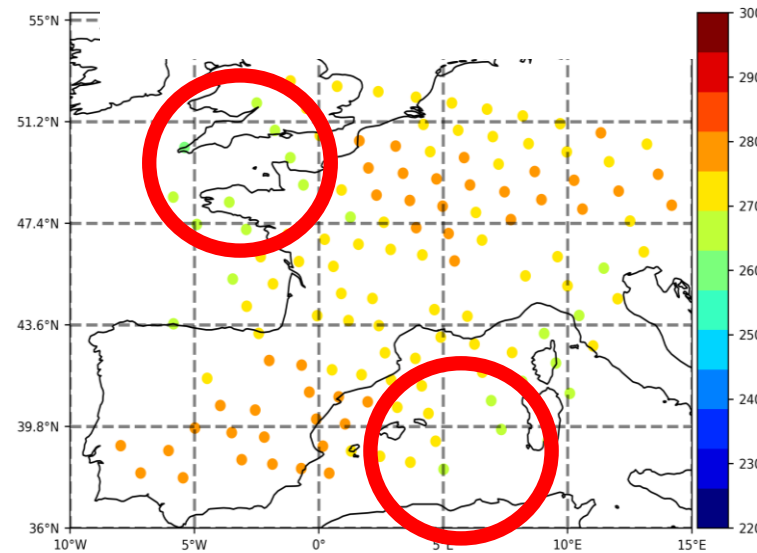
All-sky direct assimilation of microwave sensors

In preparation for the next parallel e-suite **AROME-FR cy48**

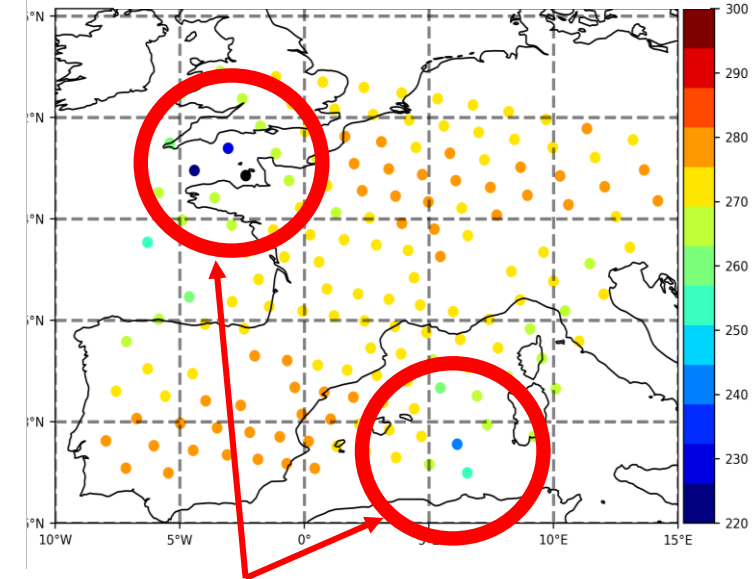
- The use of the ECMWF all sky route for microwave observations is under tests and provide promising impacts on AROME gust winds and precipitation forecasts.
- Considered sensors: MHS, MWHS2, GMI, AMSR2

MHS observations – channel 5

Active in the clear sky route



Active in the all sky route



TB depressions - indicator of scattering within clouds

Work of Mary Borderies and Philippe Chambon, in collaboration with Alan Geer, Roohollah Azad and Roger Randriamampianina

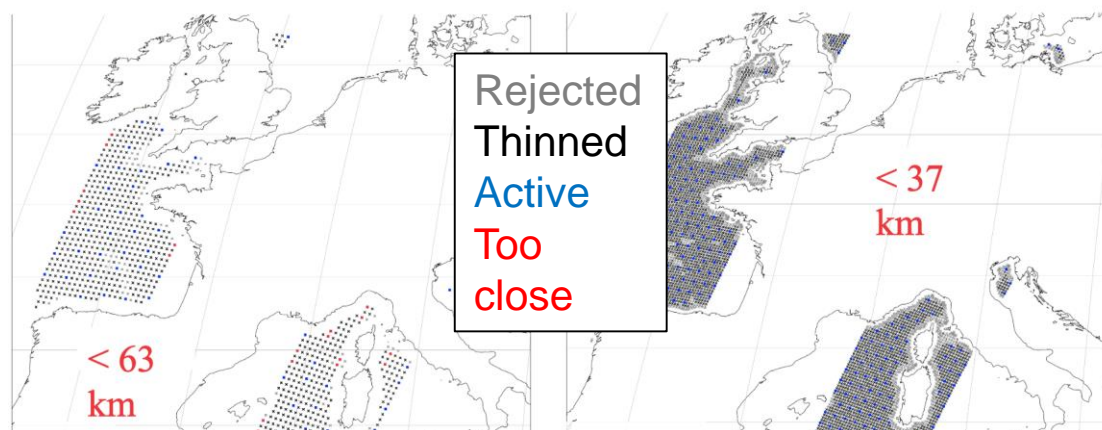
High-resolution scatterometer data

Within the current e-suite **AROME-FR cy46**

The assimilation of high resolution scatterometer data (25km), with a 50 km thinning leads to x4 more data in the 3D-Var AROME and improved forecast of surface winds and relative humidity.

with old settings

with new settings



Work of Christophe Payan

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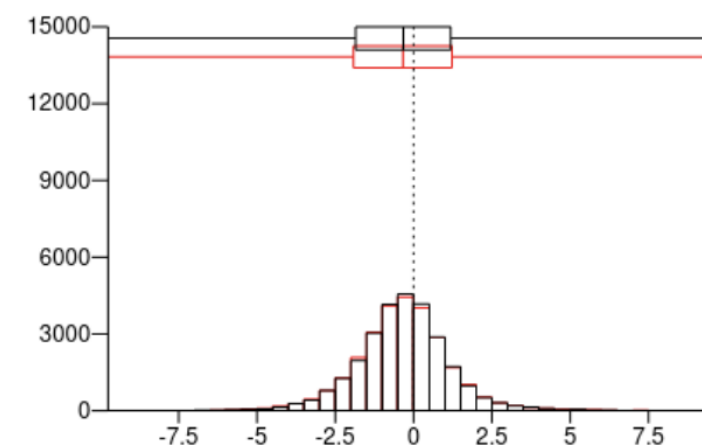
Impact of HY-2B and 2C scatterometers data on first guess fits to ASCAT winds

ASCAT Wind10m (2an)-speed Globe

Used wind data

MetOp-3(C) ASCAT

fg departure			
nb=	28008 (ref= 28008)	rms=	1.55 (1.61)
mean=	-0.332 (-0.341)	std=	1.51 (1.57)
min=	-11.8 (-13.8)	max=	11.9 (13.1)

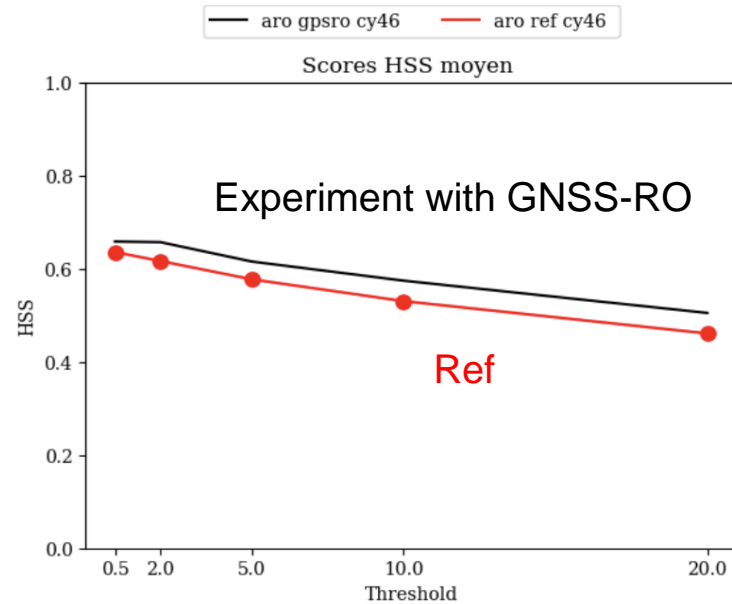


=> The assimilation of HY-2B and 2C HR scatterometers data improves the first guess fit to ASCAT observations

GNSS-based observations

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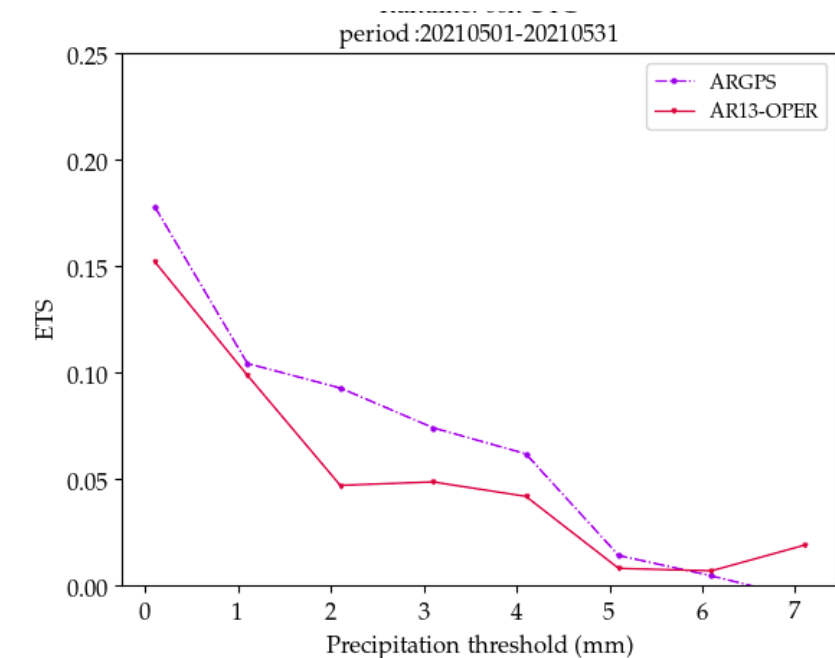
Experimental in the **AROME-BE**



=> The assimilation of GNSS-RO within AROME-FR improves forecasts including for precipitation

Work of Dominique Raspaud

Impact of GNSS ZTD from 3 networks around Belgium

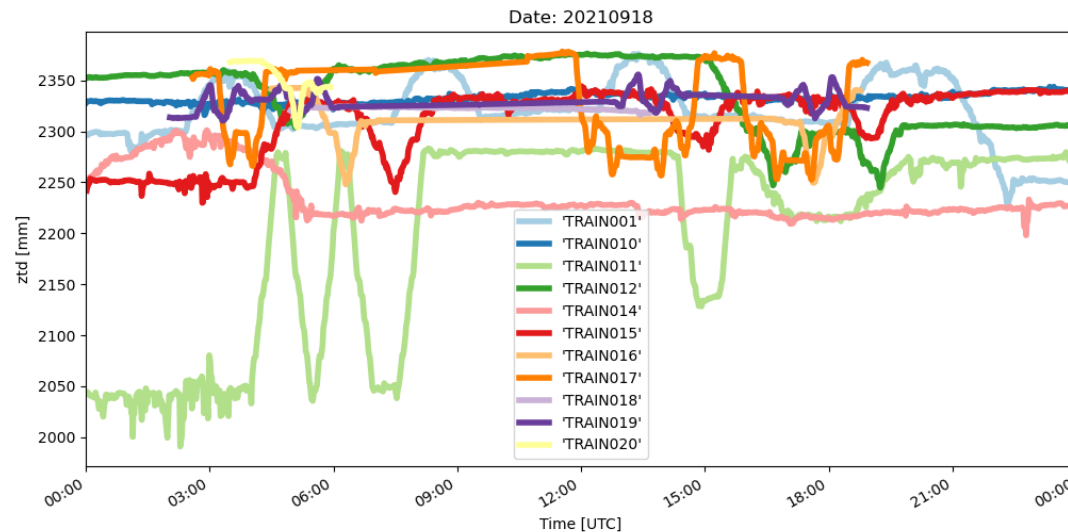


Positive impact of ZTD on precipitation for low thresholds. Shown potential to improve near-surface and upper-air temperature and humidity forecast.

Work of Idir Dehmous

Tropospheric delay observations under evaluation

Time series of ZTD from moving trains in Austria.

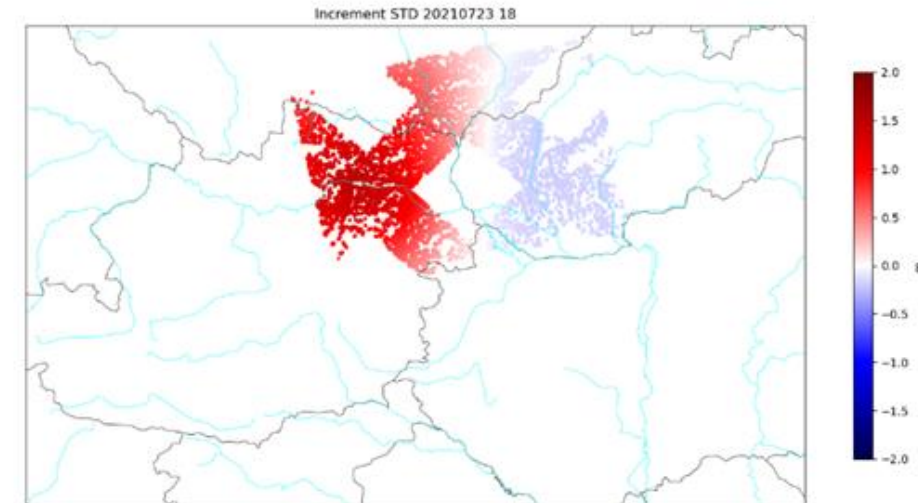


Data from 10 trains per day are now available for passive assimilation in AROME-AT.

=> These novel tropospheric delay observations possess significant systematic errors, development of a robust bias correction is essential.

Work of Florian Weidle

Interferometric Synthetic Aperture Radar (InSAR) tropospheric delay increment in obs. space.

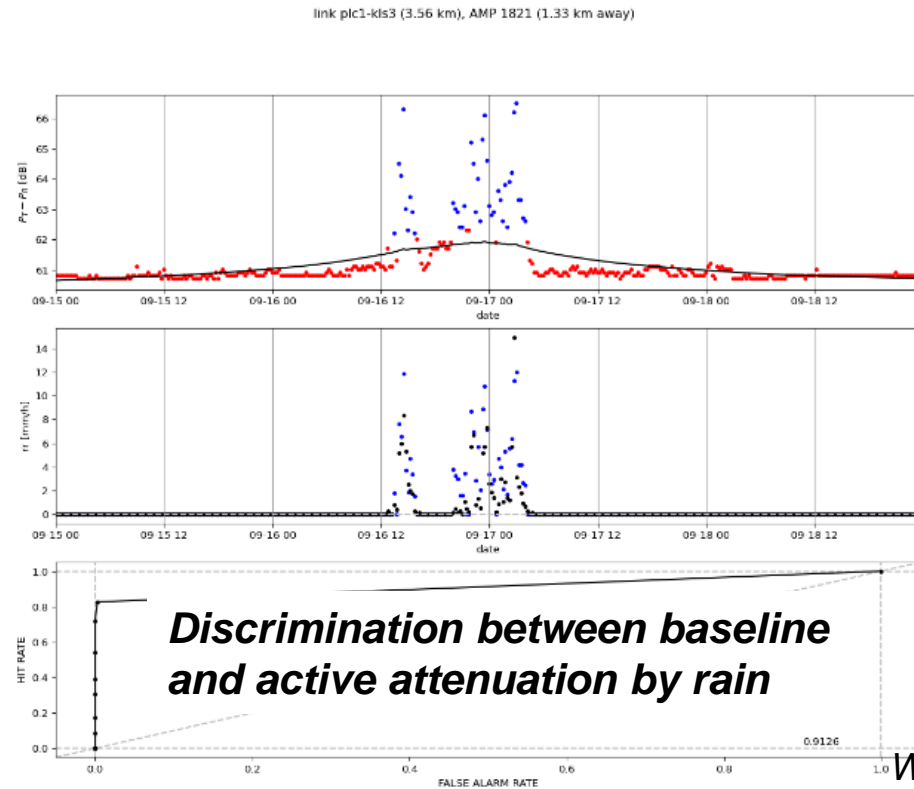


Relative changes of slant tropospheric delay over a short period are converted to absolute delays by adding first guess values before assimilation.

Work of Florian Meier

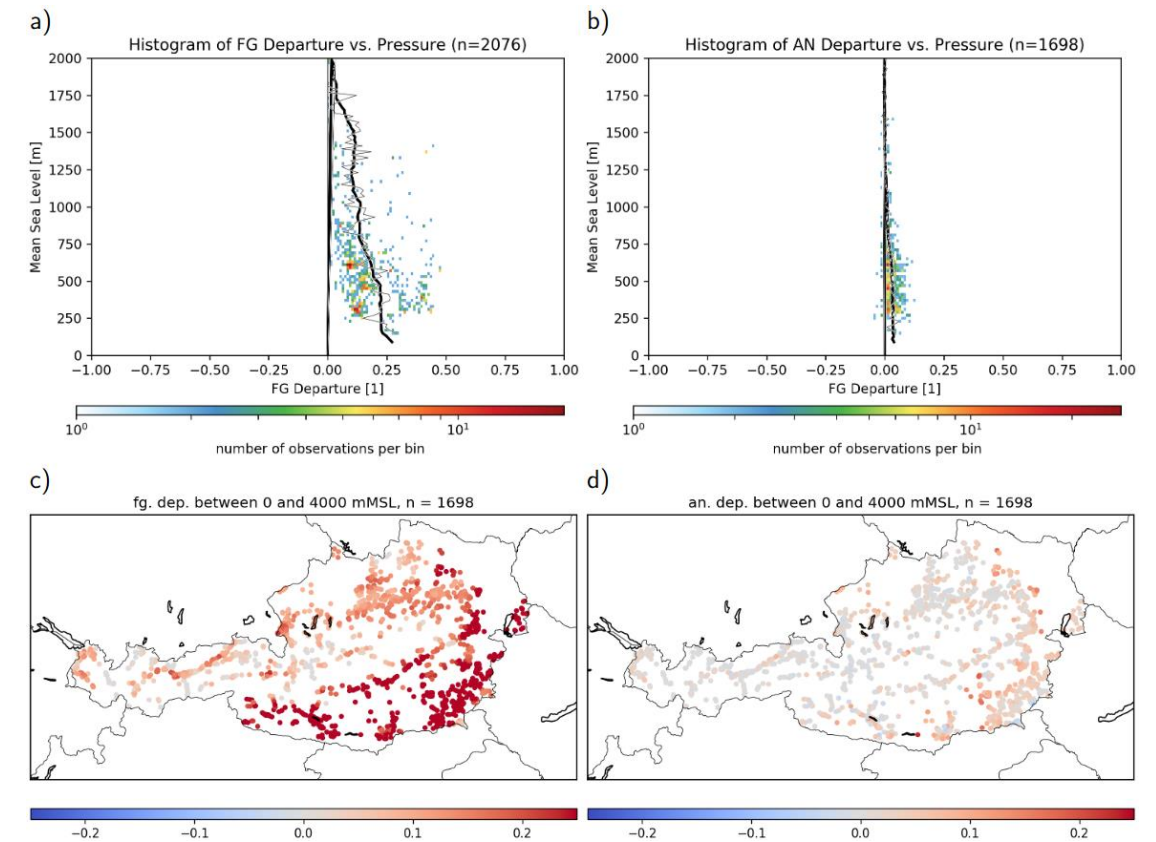
Progress with microlinks feasibility studies

- Attenuations in microwave links related to precipitation - high.res and rapid delivery
- Links processed by AI or a fast factor graph algorithm.
- Simple assimilation applied – to be improved with 1D+3DVar rain rate assimilation)



Work of Peter Smerkol and Phillip Schefknecht

FG and An departures for specific humidity Using a simple (rain = 100% humidity) assimilation in AROME-AT 3D-Var



Conclusions

- Refined methods to better exploit existing radar data sets, especially OPERA
- Mode-S data now massively used, impact depends on the assimilation method
- Increased use of clear-sky and now also all-sky radiances and other satellite products (winds), including advanced surface properties estimation and bias correction
- Exploitation of alternative obs. sources (e.g. PWS, SPOs, microlinks, GNNS-related data, ...)

Thank you for attention!

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