



Synergetic use of field campaign observations and detailed simulations to improve NWP models at Météo-France

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Introduction

Past field campaigns coordinated by CNRM:

CAPITOU (2004-2005) – urban boundary layer (Masson et al, 2008)

AMMA (SOP 2006) - African Monsoon (Redelsperger et al, 2006)

HyMeX - SOP1 (2012) - Mediterranean heavy precipitation and flash-floods (Ducrocq et al, 2014)

HyMeX - SOP2 (2013) - Dense water formation induced by strong regional winds in NW Med (Estournel et al, 2016)

Field
campaigns

Near future field campaigns:
SOFOG3D (2019-2020) on fog
HyMeX-LIAISE (2020) - human imprint on atmosphere-land surface Interactions over semi-arid regions.

Process
studies

Detailed
Simulations
(e.g. LES)

Our research strategy is based on a « **Field campaigns – Process studies – Detailed simulations** » **nexus** for developing and improving physical parameterizations of Météo-France NWP and climate models for atmosphere, continental surfaces and ocean-atmosphere coupled models.

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2. Model \Leftrightarrow Observations comparison
3. Multi- Earth component observations
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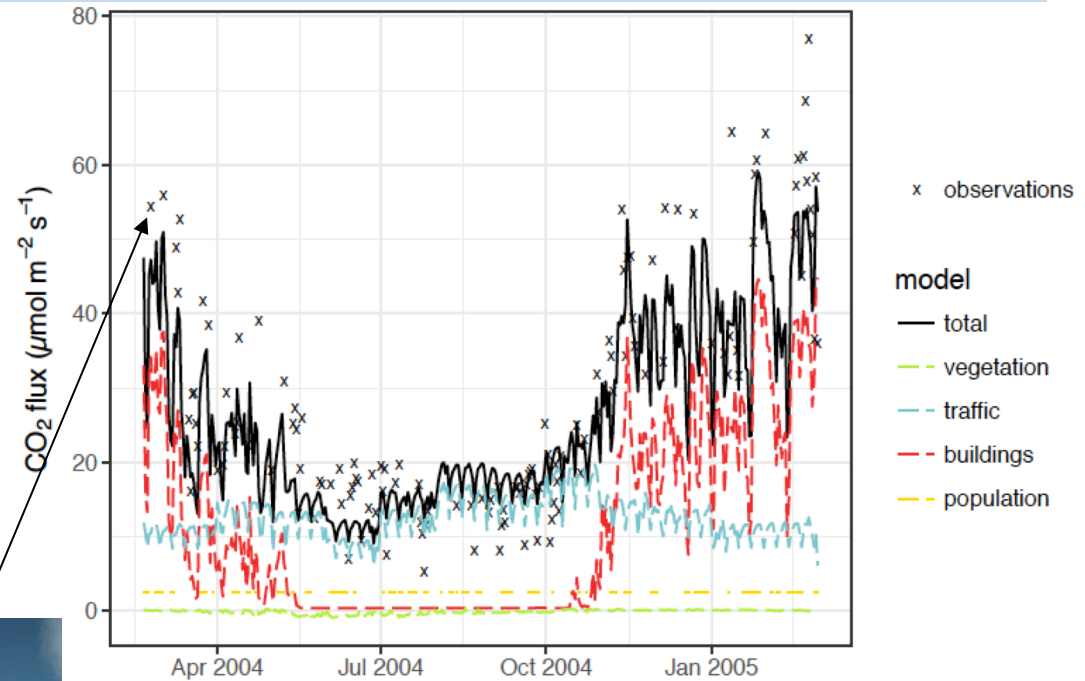
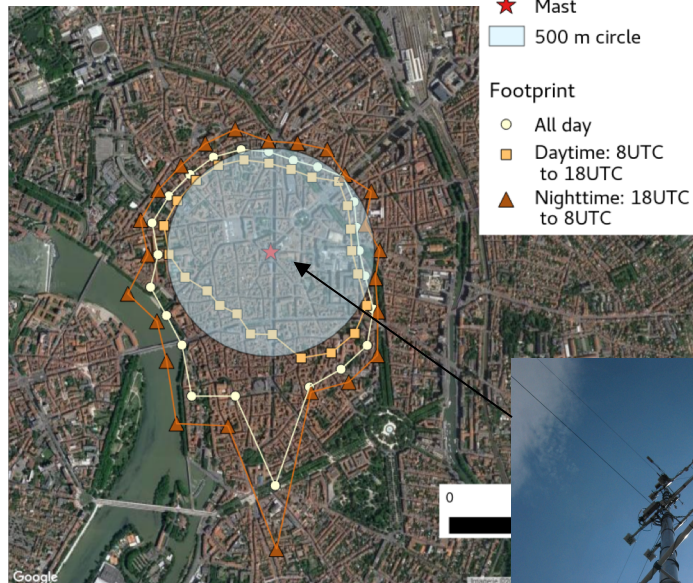
Obs for design of new physical parameterizations

CO2 fluxes in urban areas

Inclusion of a CO2 flux modelling in the urban canopy layer model TEB and evaluation over an old European city centre (Toulouse)



CAPITOUL (2004-2005)



The highly weather-dependant contributors (buildings and vegetation) to CO₂ fluxes are explicitly modelled

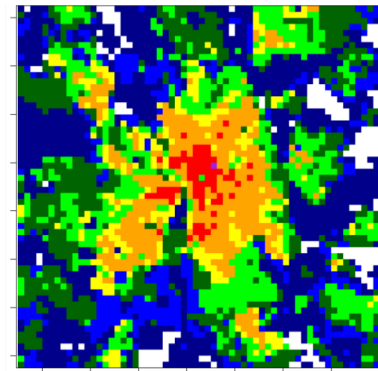
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Parametrisation of the variety of human behaviour related to building energy consumption

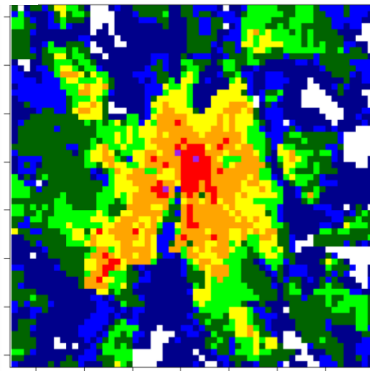
1 year-long simulation

MesoNH model ($\Delta x=250\text{m}$)

Inventory from
CAPITOUL data



15 km



15 km



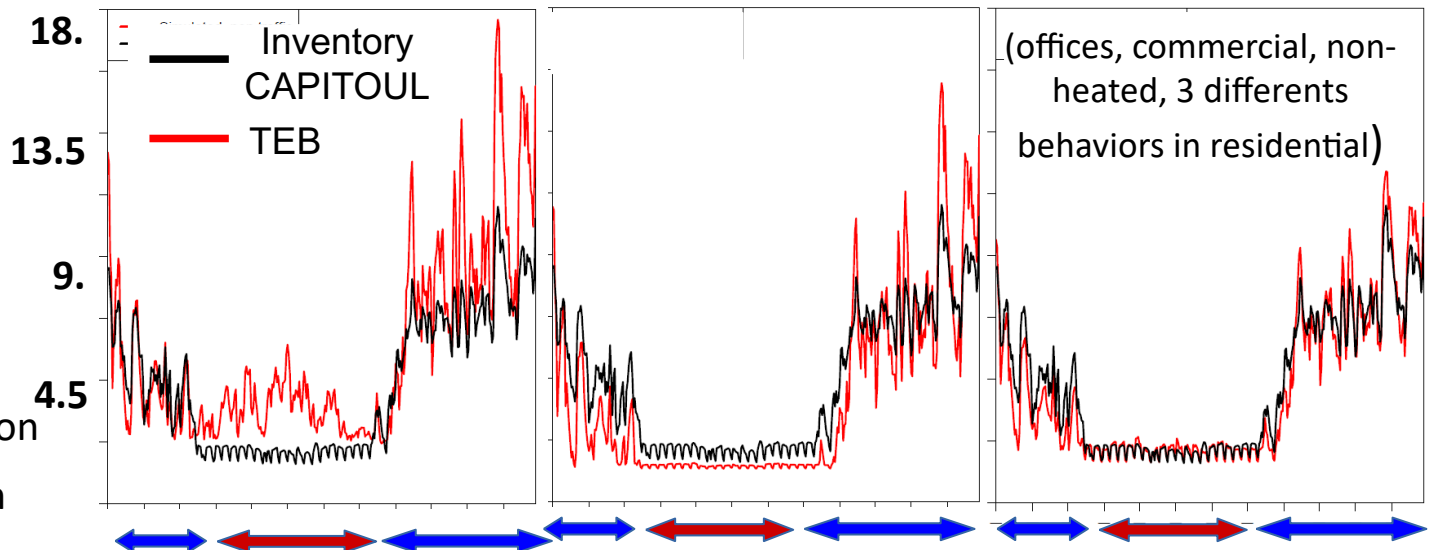
Energy consumption inside buildings depends on building use and human behaviour (heterogeneous in most urban areas) => modify TEB to take fractional building use and human behaviour at the grid point scale into account

W/m^2 Uniform behaviour

Buildings energy consumption due to domestic heating, Toulouse (winter 2004-2005)

Heating season

Warm season



Obs. for international intercomparison model project

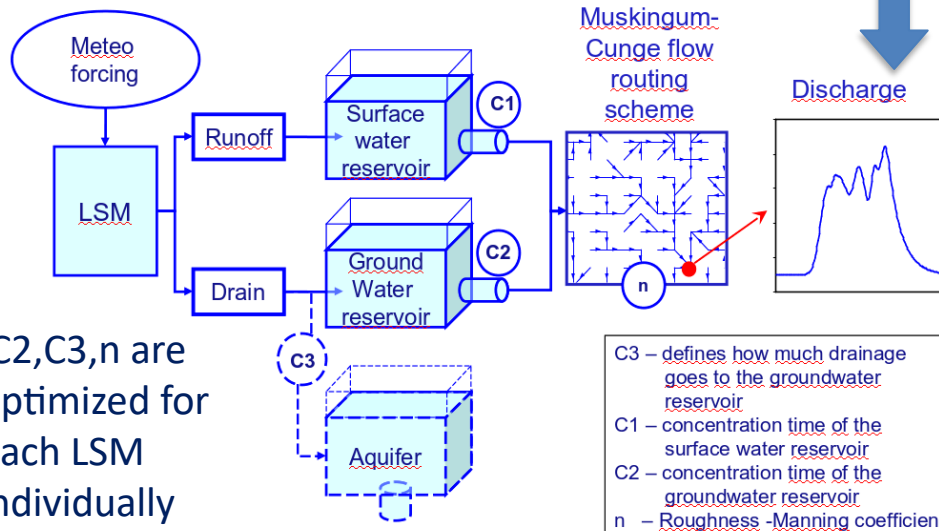
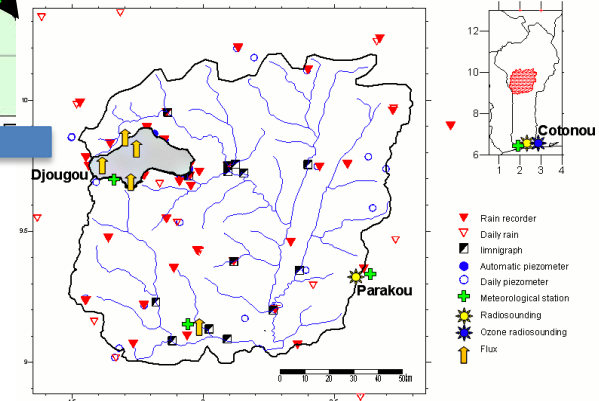
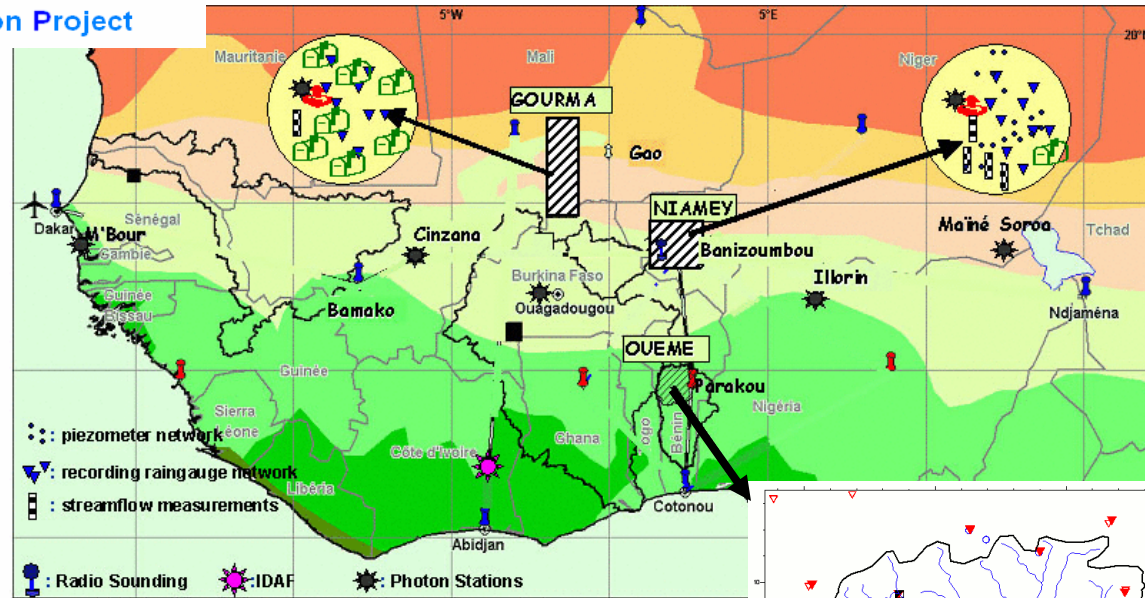
ALMIP AMMA Land Surface Model Intercomparison Project

Data for ALMIP
Phase II-Mesoscale

Meso-Super Sites

Model evaluation and

Forcing : Local scale
data, Turbulent
fluxes, Soil moisture,
Temp, Discharge,
Vegetation (LAI...)



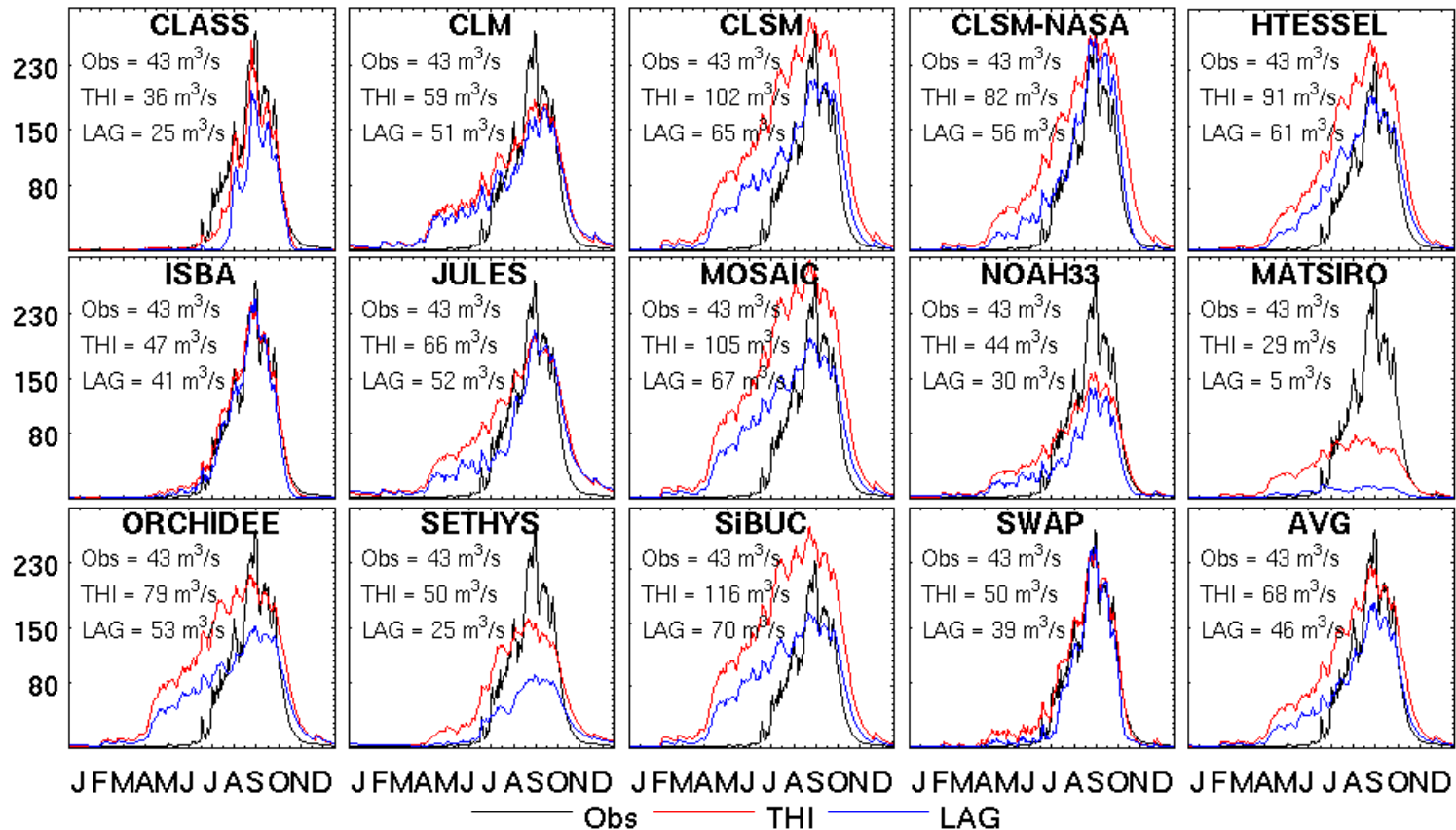
Evaluation of Land Surface
Models (LSM) using observed
discharge

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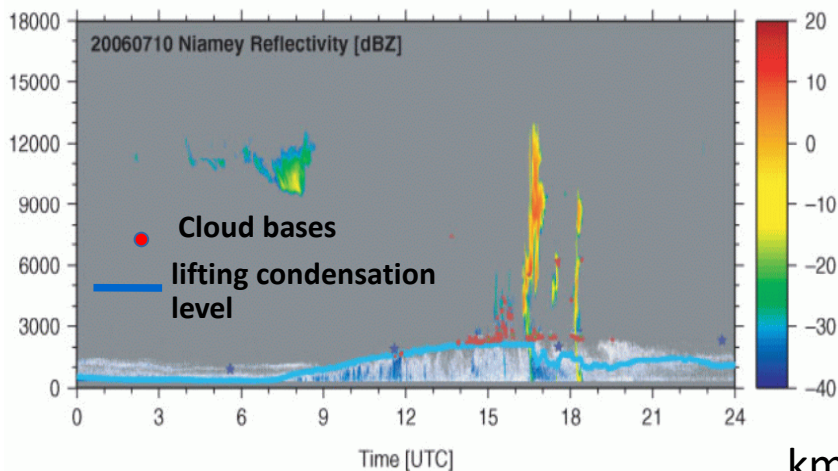
4 Year-average Seasonal Discharge 2005-2008

Daily discharge
(at Bétérrou) for
2 precipitation
inputs: **LAG** and
THI
for 14 LSMs



Most LSMs tended to simulate runoff at first rainfall owing to sub-grid runoff parameterizations not adapted to local runoff mechanisms: in reality, a lag effect between rain and runoff

Obs. for LES as a reference for physical parametrisations



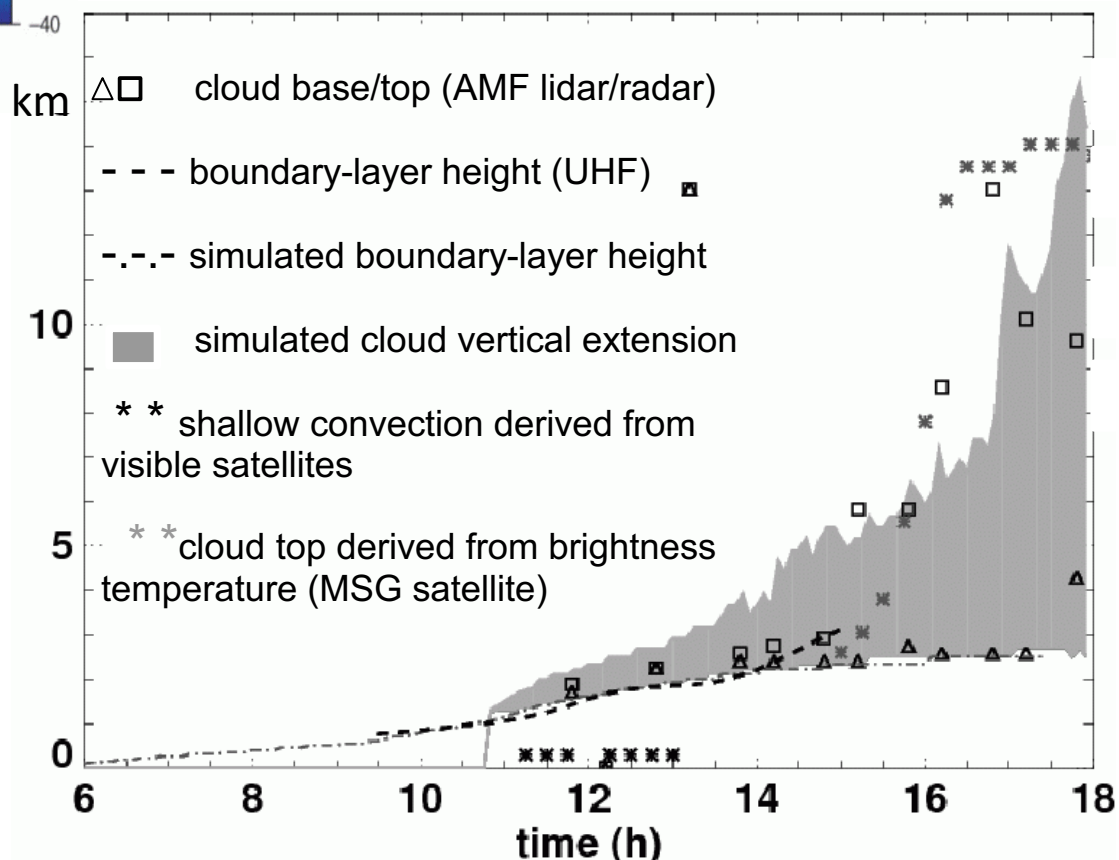
Simulation LES
($dx=200m$) over a
 $100 \times 100 \text{ km}^2$
domain

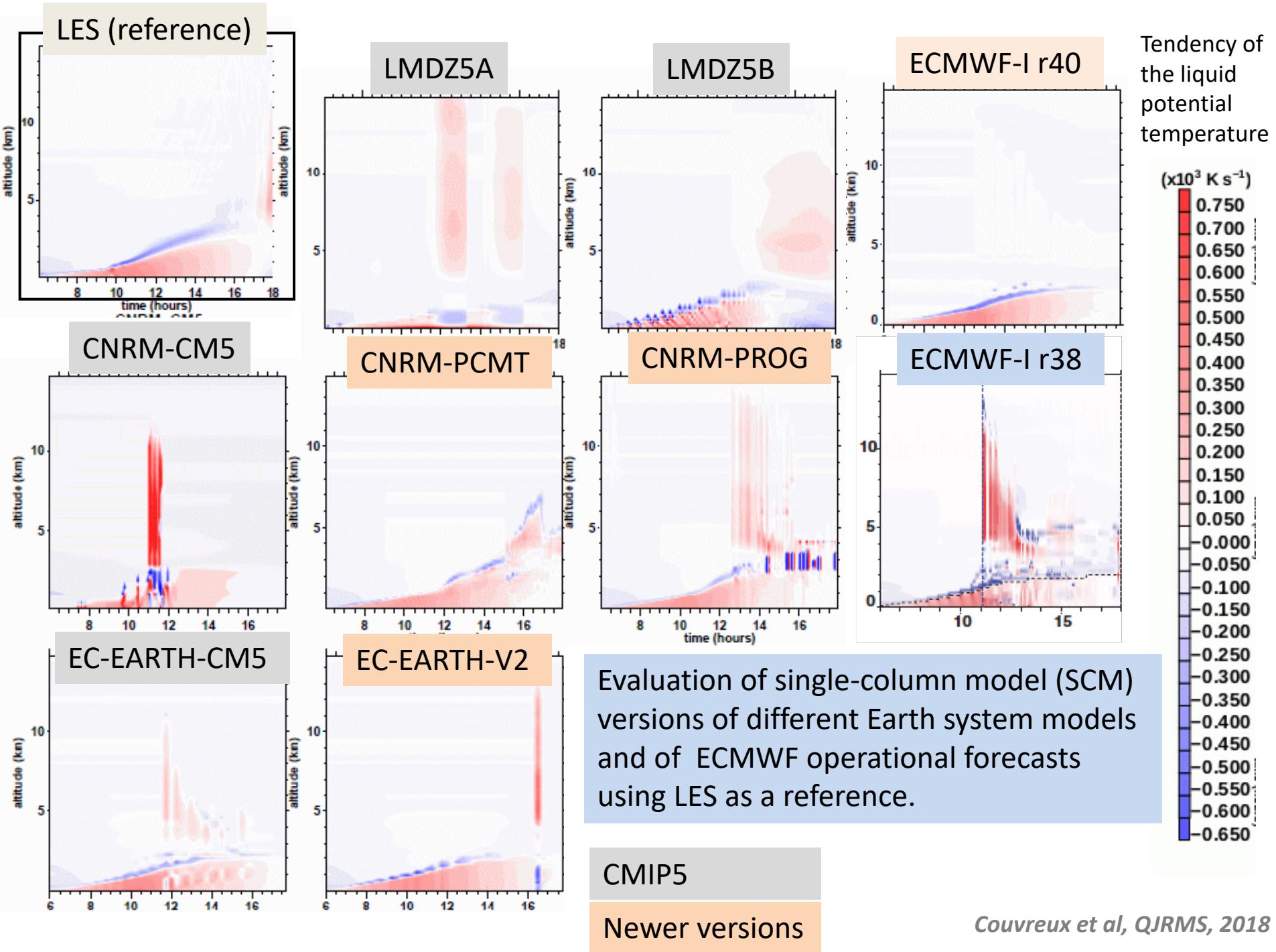
→ evaluation of the LES using
AMMA field campaign observations
(soundings, satellites, radar,
aircraft)

A case from AMMA of local initiation in a semi-arid region (Niamey)

two distinct transition phases:

- from clear sky to shallow cumulus
- from cumulus to deep convection





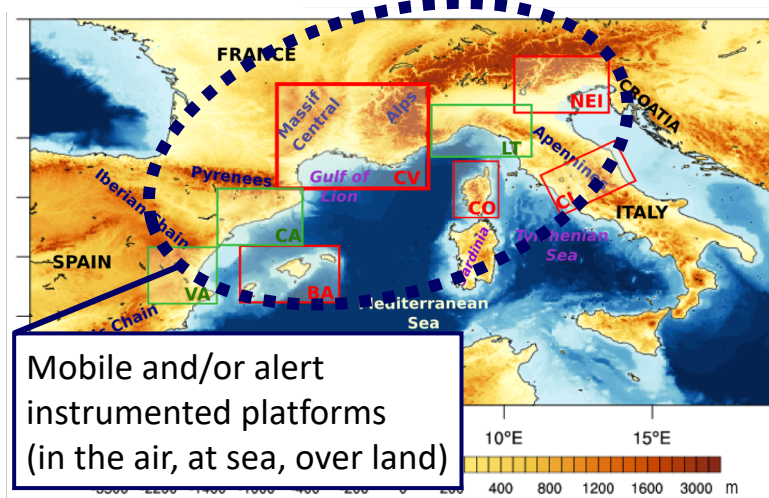
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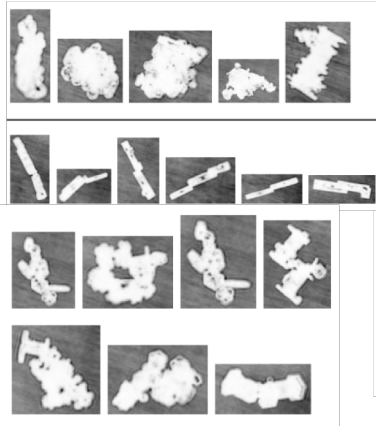
Field campaigns provide many Obs that are not model variables

HYMEX-SOP1 (fall 2012)

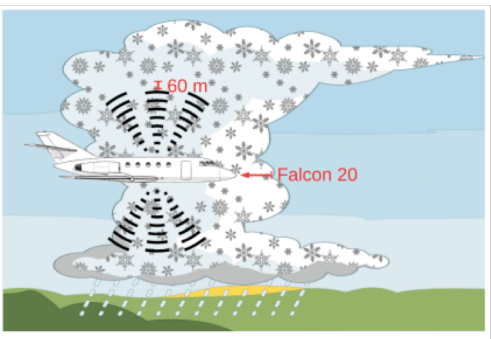
~200 instruments deployed
250 flight hours
(SAFIRE/ATR42 & F20,
KIT/DO128)
16 IOPs dedicated to heavy
precipitation



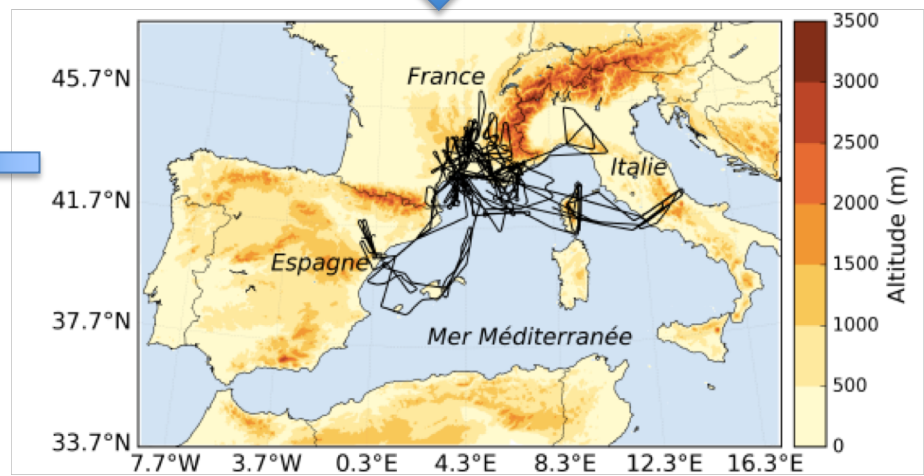
F20 flights inside MCS



Microphysics probes



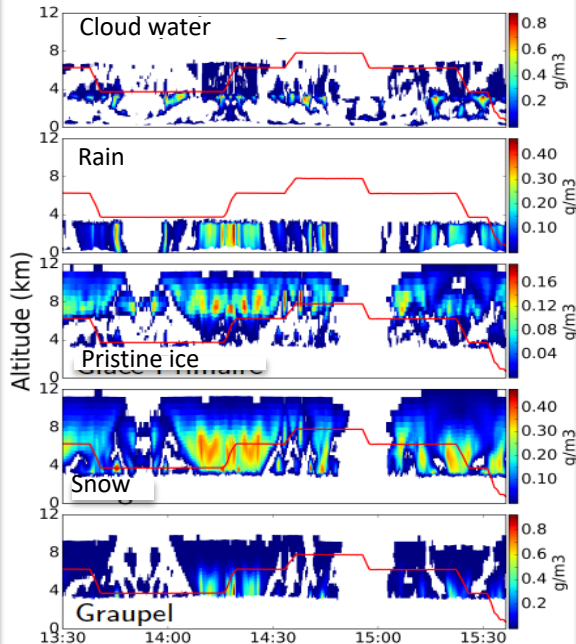
RASTA Doppler cloud radar
(see J. Delanoë talk)



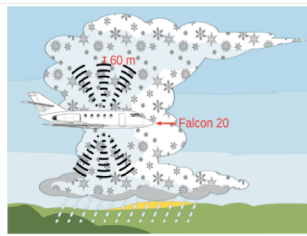
Falcon 20 flight tracks (52h – 18 flights)

Model-to-observations approaches

Predicted hydrometeor species from AROME



particle size distributions from the ICE3 one-moment bulk microphysical scheme of AROME



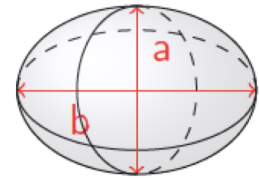
Radar characteristics:

Frequency : 95GHz

Sensitivity : -27 dBZ@1km

Geometry: nadir- and zenith-pointing antennae at each range gate

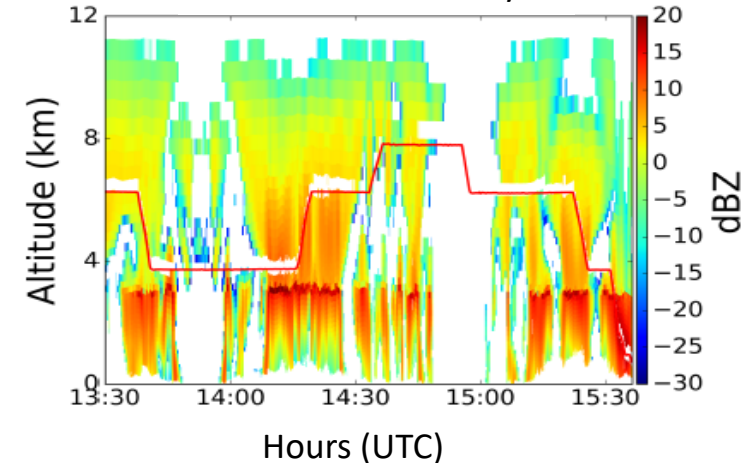
Shapes of the solid hydrometeor species **optimized using the 18 HyMeX SOP1 flights**



scattering: T-matrix method
attenuation by hydrometeors and moist air

$$Z_e \propto \int_{D_{min}}^{D_{max}} \sigma(D) \cdot N(D) dD$$

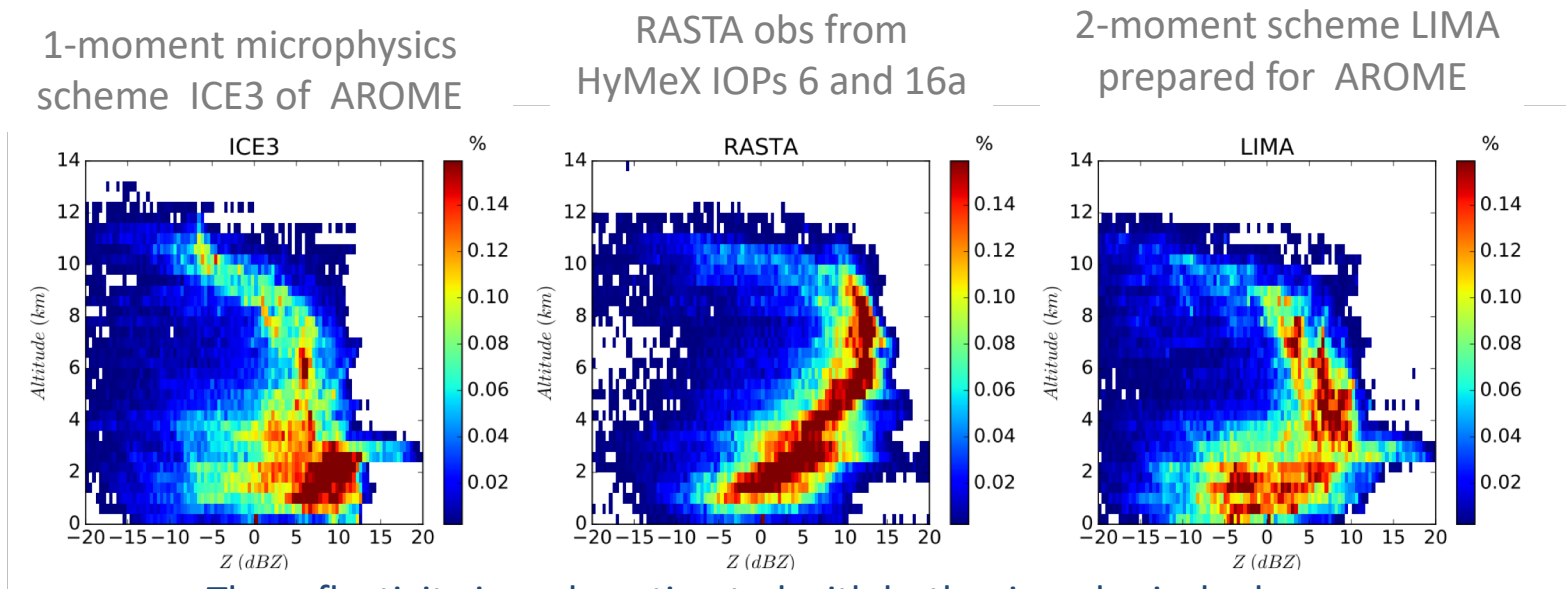
Simulated reflectivity



Comparison methods to disentangle spatial/temporal forecast model errors to physical parameterization errors

Grid-to-grid or along flight track comparisons require a perfect match between forecasts and observations, which is rarely the case...

A first method: Contoured Frequency by Altitude Diagrams (CFADs) normalized to the total number of points for reflectivities observed by RASTA and simulated by the model. It provides a statistical view of how a model capture cloud vertical structures.

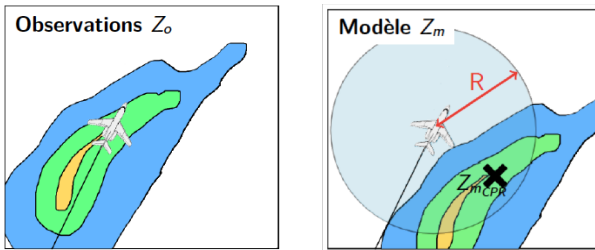


The reflectivity is underestimated with both microphysical schemes
LIMA produces a smoother transition from ice to liquid cloud
ICE3 overestimates the frequency of high clouds (above 10 km)

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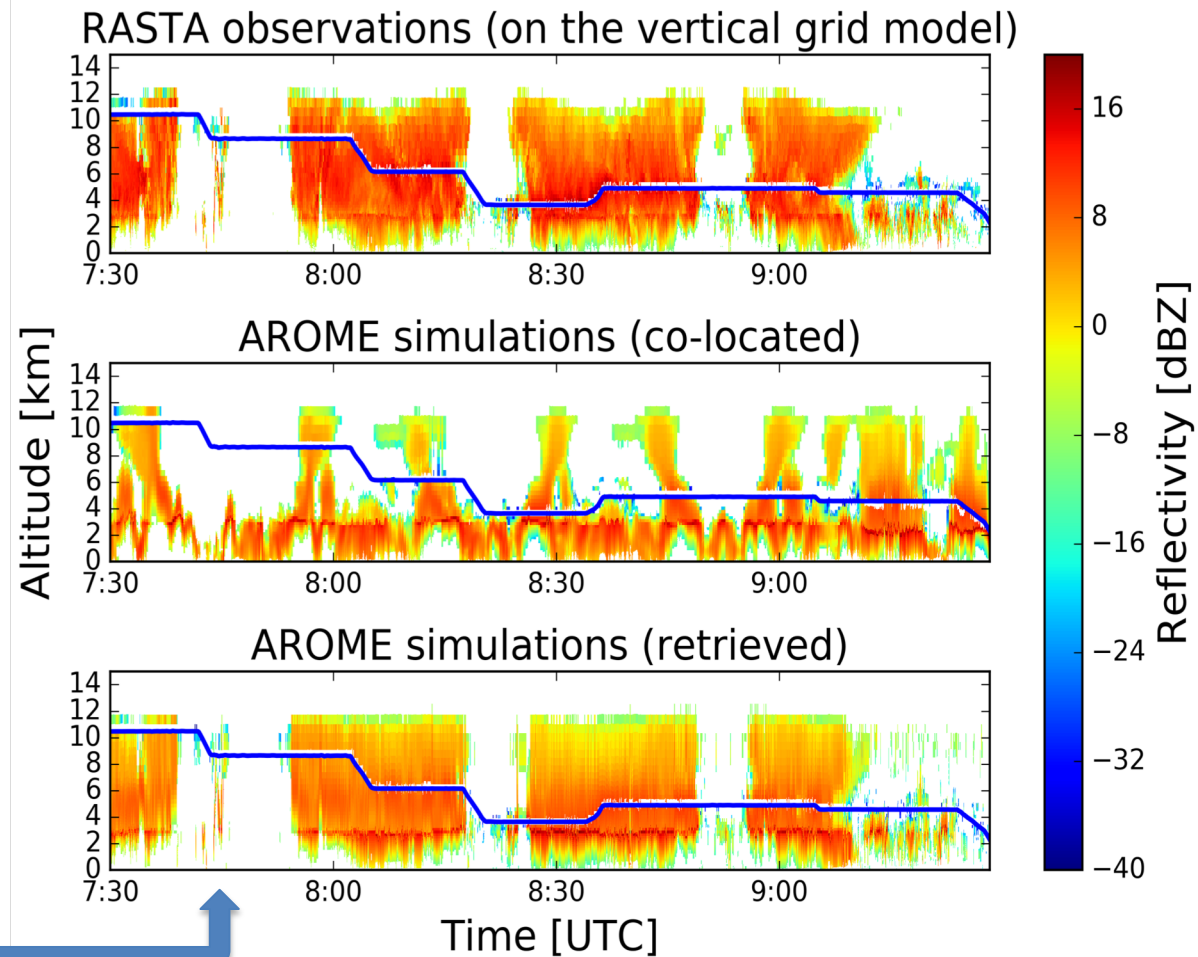
A new neighbourhood validation method for 3D fields: the Most Resembling Column method

The MRC method



$$Z_{m_{CPR}} = \underset{Z_m}{\operatorname{argmin}} \operatorname{STD}(Z_o - Z_m)$$

derived from the 1D Bayesian retrieval method employed in the first step of the 1D+3DVar assimilation used to assimilate radar reflectivity in the AROME model (Caumont et al., 2010)

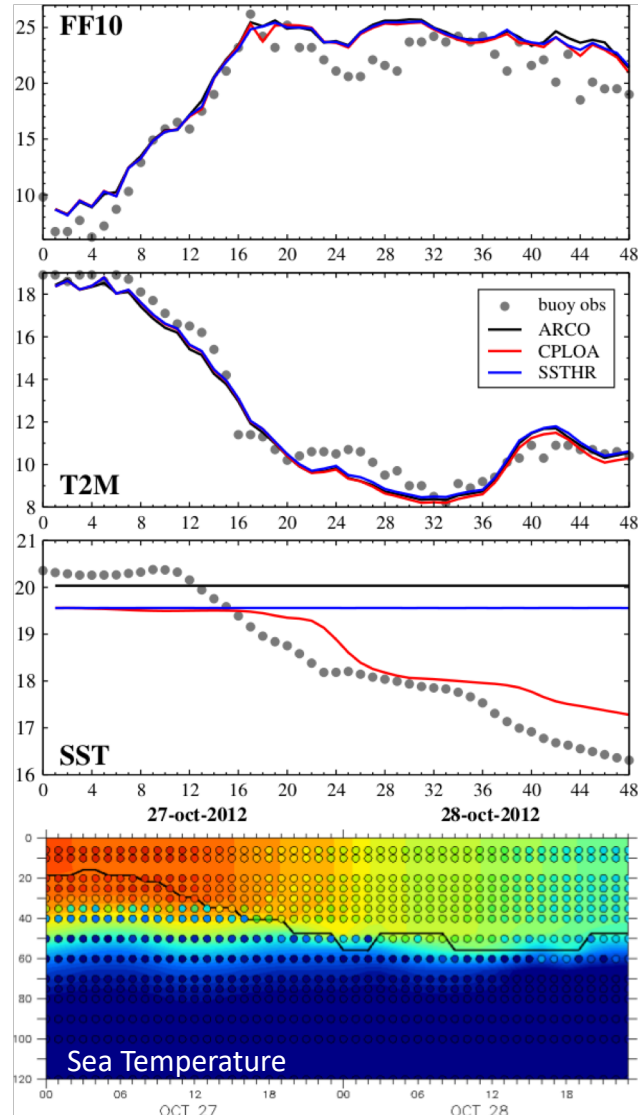


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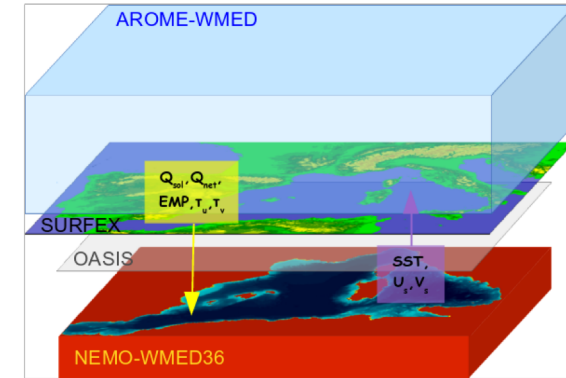
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Multi-component evaluation of coupled ocean-atmosphere models

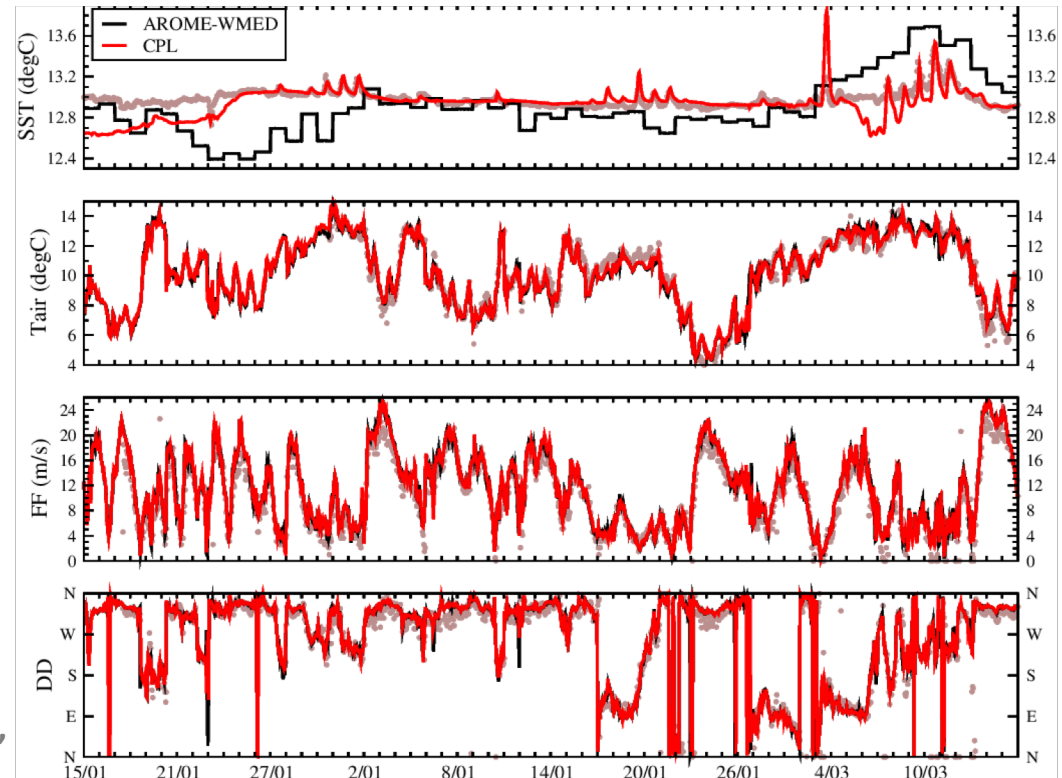
HyMex SOP1 IOP16b (strong mistral)



Comparisons of coupled AROME-NEMO WMED forecasts and AROME-WMED uncoupled forecasts to the Gulf of LION buoy air/sea boundary layer observations



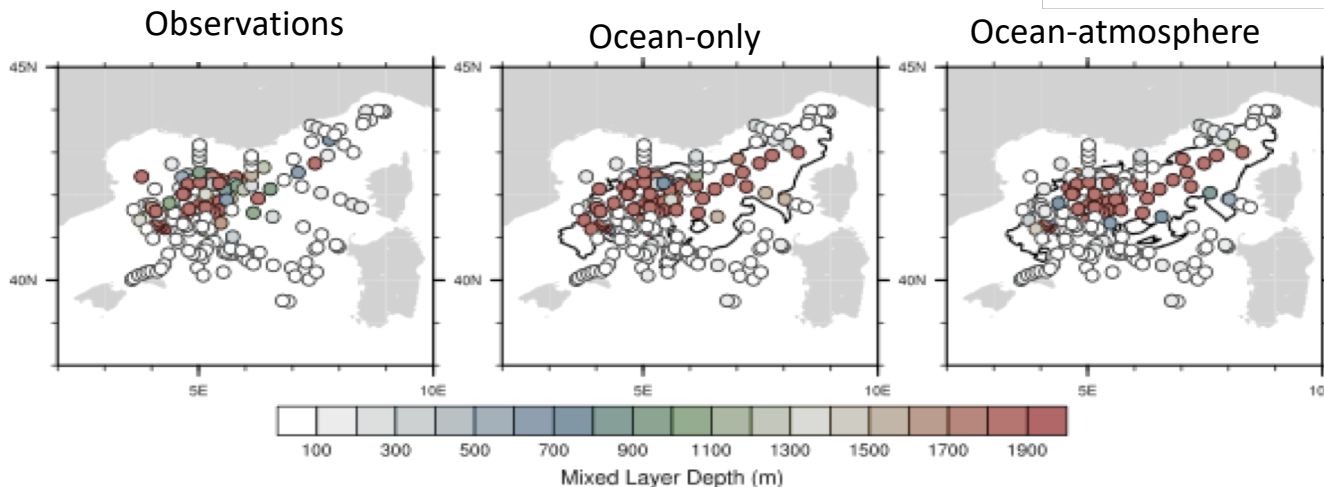
HyMeX SOP2 (2-month)



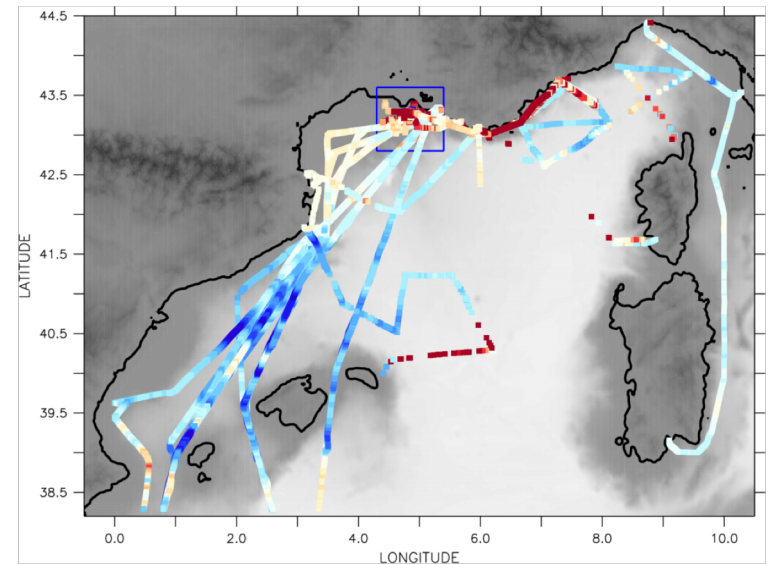
Dense in-situ data for validation of HR ocean-atmosphere models

HyMeX SOP1 & SOP2 provide a particularly dense in-situ data collection in the NW Med Sea area that permits to extensively validate high-resolution models in the marine/coastal zone

Mixed Layer Depth from in-situ profiles during HyMeX SOP2 and colocalized simulated in NEMO-WMED36 ocean-only model and AROME-NEMO-WMED36 coupled model



Sea Surface Salinity (SSS, psu) bias of NEMO-NWMED72 ($1/72^\circ$) against Thermosalinograph data aboard a ship of opportunity during HyMeX SOP1



Sauvage et al. 2018
Léger et al. 2016
Lebeaupin Brossier et al. 2017

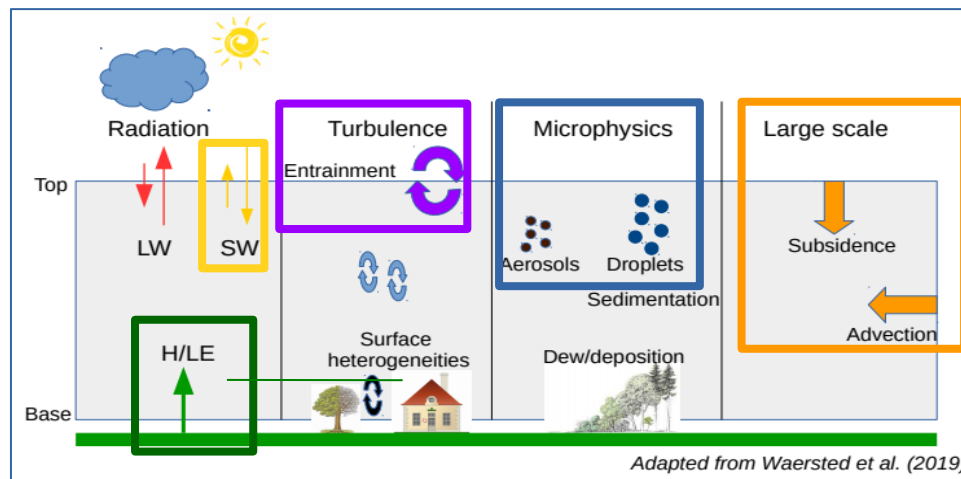
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SOFOG3D SOuth west FOGs 3D experiment

- To provide a **3D characterization of fog layer properties** with detailed observations of dynamics, radiation, microphysics and surface fluxes over heterogeneous vegetation and hilly terrain
- To study processes using **synergy between 3D high-resolution LES and unprecedented detailed observations**
- To better understand **contrasts** leading to radically different fate in fog life cycles:
 - **Shallow stable fog vs deep adiabatic fog**
 - **Stratus lowering into fog vs stratus persisting aloft**
 - **Daytime fog dissipation or lifting vs daytime fog persistence**
- **Data assimilation of new local observations:** MWR network and synergy with ground cloud radar 95 GHz

*Processes of fog
mainly investigated:*



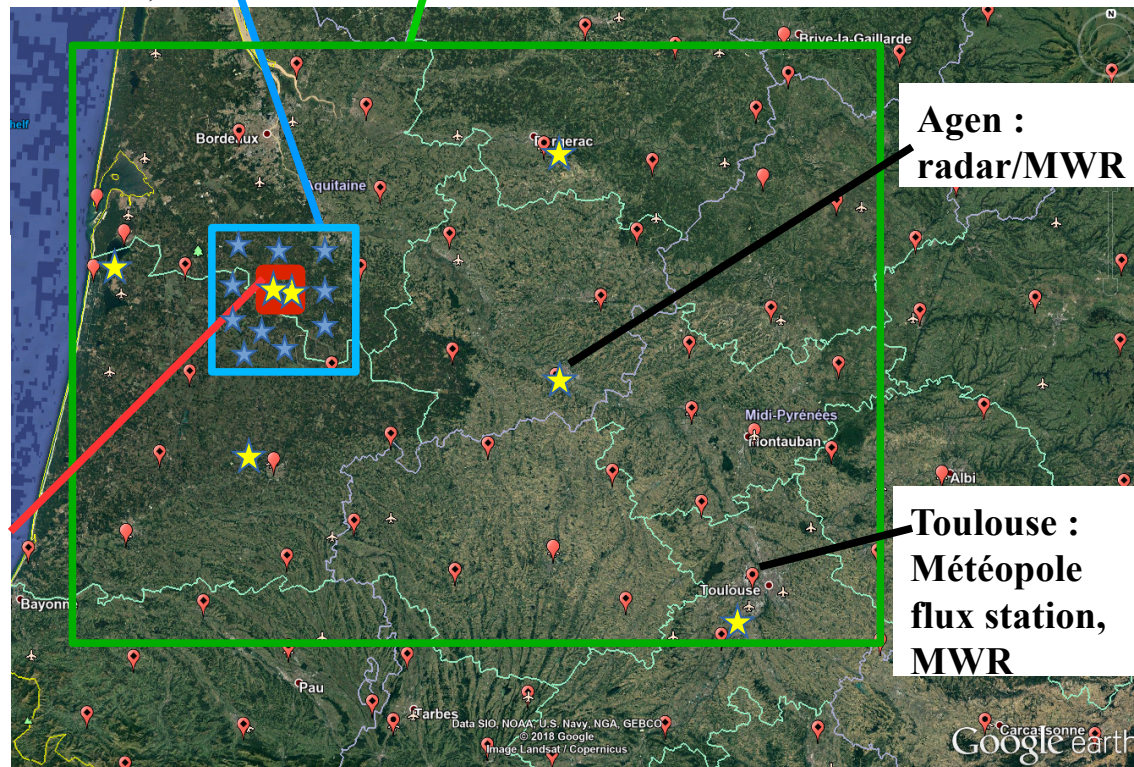
SOFOG3D Experimental strategy – winter 2019-2020



Surrounding domain 50 x 50 km

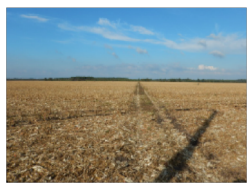
with increased density in-situ
sensors network (~ 15 surface
met. stations, visibility,
ceilometers, turbulence)

Larger domain 300 x 200 km (AROME-500m model) with in-situ sensors (~ 50 surface meteor. stations) and MWR (6) networks★



Super-site 10 x 10 km:

- **radar/MWR/lidars**
- **tethered balloon**
- **UAVs fleet**
- 10 meteor. stations
- **50 m mast (2)**
- 3 areas with **different vegetation types**: heat and turbulent fluxes, radiation budget, aerosol and fog microphysics, water deposition, visibility, ceilometers

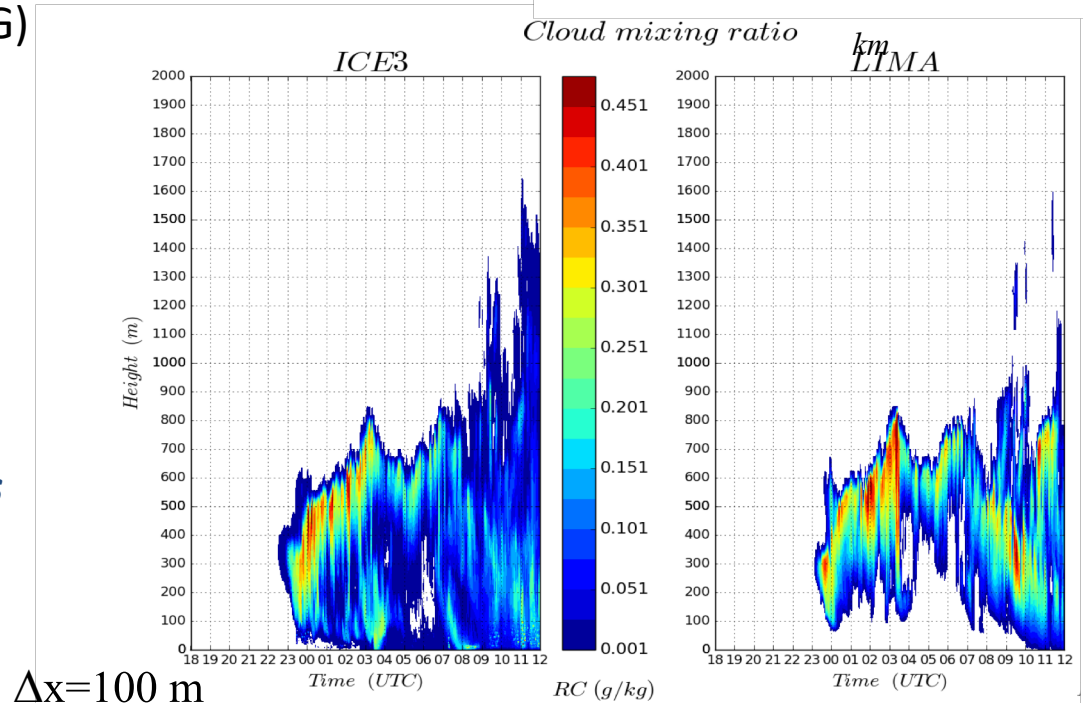
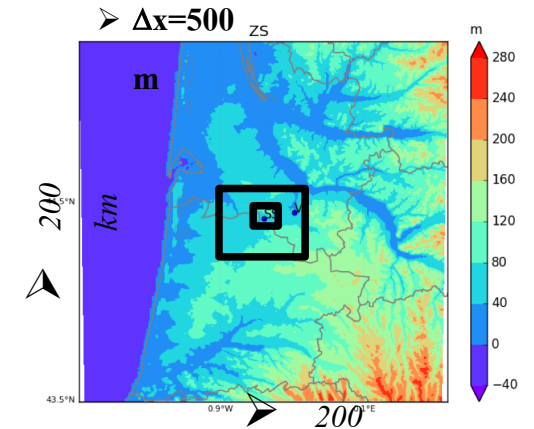


International collaborations : PI : Frédéric Burnet – CNRM Toulouse
CNRM – IPSL – Met Office (J. Price) - Univ. Cologne - MeteoSwiss - CNR/IMAA

SOFOG3D Large Eddy Simulation strategy

- Run of the most documented cases with **Meso-NH** model (Lac et al., 2018) from **AROME analyses** with **grid-nesting** downscaling up to $\Delta x = 5 \text{ m}$ ($\Delta z = 1 \text{ m}$)
- Microphysics : **LIMA** 2-moment scheme (Vié et al., 2016)
Initialization of aerosols from OPC and SMPS microphysics measurements
- Radiation : **ecRad** (Hogan and Bozzo, 2016) with 14 SW bands
- **SURFEX** (Masson et al., 2013) ISBA-Diff vegetation scheme – HR surface data base (ECOCLIMAP-SG)
- A major issue of SOFOG3D is the **validation of LIMA for AROME**

*Illustration of the impact of microphysics (1-moment ICE3 vs 2-moment LIMA) on a **fog stratus lowering***



LIAISE: Land surface Interactions with the Atmosphere over the Iberian Semi-arid Environment

Objectives : to better understand and model the **human imprint on the semi-arid energy and water cycles** over a region which has significant anthropization.

Science questions:

- 1) What are the key **natural and anthropogenic semi-arid surface processes** that modulate or control infiltration and runoff and govern turbulent fluxes and their spatial heterogeneity?
2. How does the highly heterogeneous (natural and anthropized) **surface** impact boundary layer development, mesoscale circulations and potentially precipitation recycling over this region via **feedbacks with the atmosphere**?
3. What is the **sustainability** of ground water and reservoirs in the face of expanding agricultural and farming activities, especially in light of **projected future warming and drying** over this region?



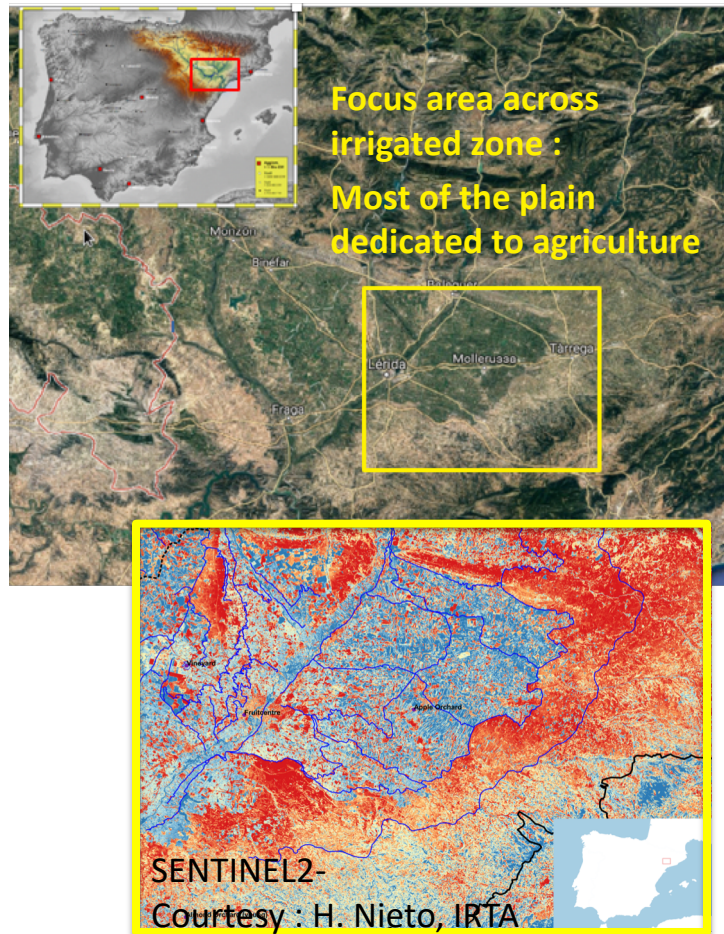
HyMeX



GEWEX

For more information: Boone et al, GEWEX Newsletter, 29(1), 2019

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Field experiment strategy:

EOP : April-October, 2020

surface flux stations, sfc satellite products (S2/S3), operational NWP (incl. AROME from Météo-France), lysimeters, river discharge...

SOP : mid-July 2020 – 15d

SAFIRE/ATR42 flights : along 30km transects of turbulent fluxes of heat, moisture, momentum.

Onboard instruments : GLORI (surface soil moisture), LST

Surface Energy Budget (SEB) sites (EOP)

Turbulent fluxes of heat, moisture, conduction, radiation, LST
Soil moisture and T at 4 (5) levels, Soil and vegetation properties, 2 lysimeters, 2 SEB sites with up-to 50m towers

Lower Atmosphere

2 Tethered balloons, 2 Radiosoundings sites, 2 Wind profilers (UHF), Lidars (Raman/dial doppler, microwave)

Final remarks

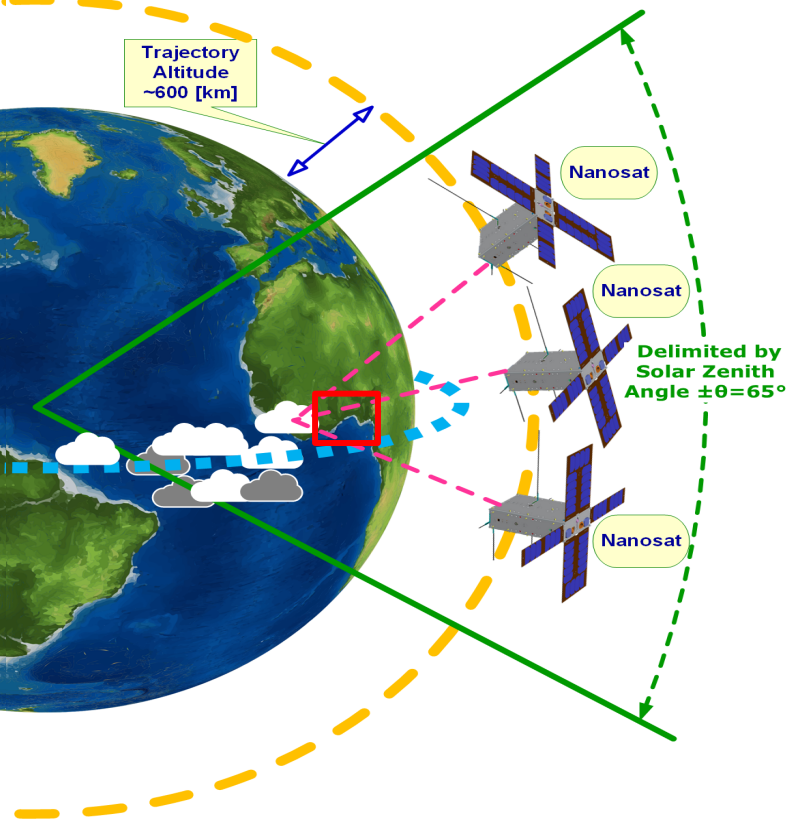
« Some lessons learned from my experience as coordinator of a measurement field campaign but with a background in atmospheric modelling researches »

- Field campaign observations can be used **a long time after the data collection** (e.g., 15-y after CAPITOUL), sometimes for uses that were not foreseen in the design of the field campaign, and can gained **in added value by combining with other field campaign data** (e.g. HyMeX, HAIC, T-NAWDEX microphysics data).
- The **expertise of instrumentalists is crucial** to make good use of observations and to exploit their full potential for model improvement and evaluation. In particular, **observation and model experts should work together** to exploit observations that are not straightforward model variables and to develop forward observation operators.
- From HyMeX: short-range km-scale forecast errors in Med Heavy precipitation events are more sensitive to initial conditions than to refinements in physical parameterizations. **Observations of winds and humidity at mesoscale over the Mediterranean sea in the lowest km are missing** and data assimilation systems should still progress **in better making use of observations within cloudy regions**.
- From the point of view of model development at km and hm resolutions: there is still a lack of capabilities of measuring **vertical velocity in convective updrafts** and also of **turbulence observations in convective clouds**.

Thanks for your attention

Fine-scale observations for cloud dynamics

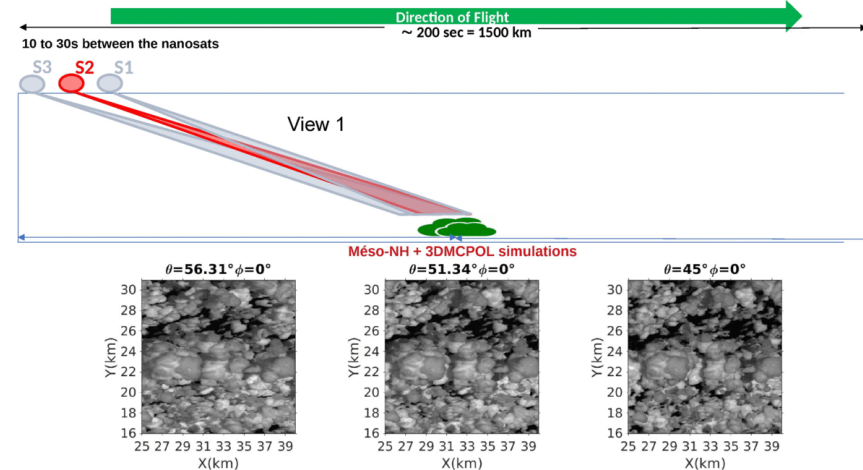
2 to 3 simultaneous observations of the same field of 80 km x 80 km every 20 s during 200 s



Validation of vertical velocity in clouds for NWP models

Need for fine-scale observations inside convective clouds

- Doppler radar
- Mission C³IEL (PI: D. Rosenfeld, C. Cornet)
 - (University of Jerusalem – LOA)
 - 2 to 3 nano-satellites with high-resolution (20 m) visible imagers: 3D cloud top evolution (development velocity, divergence, mixing)
 - Synergy with LES (mission preparation with synthetic data, improvement of parameterization)



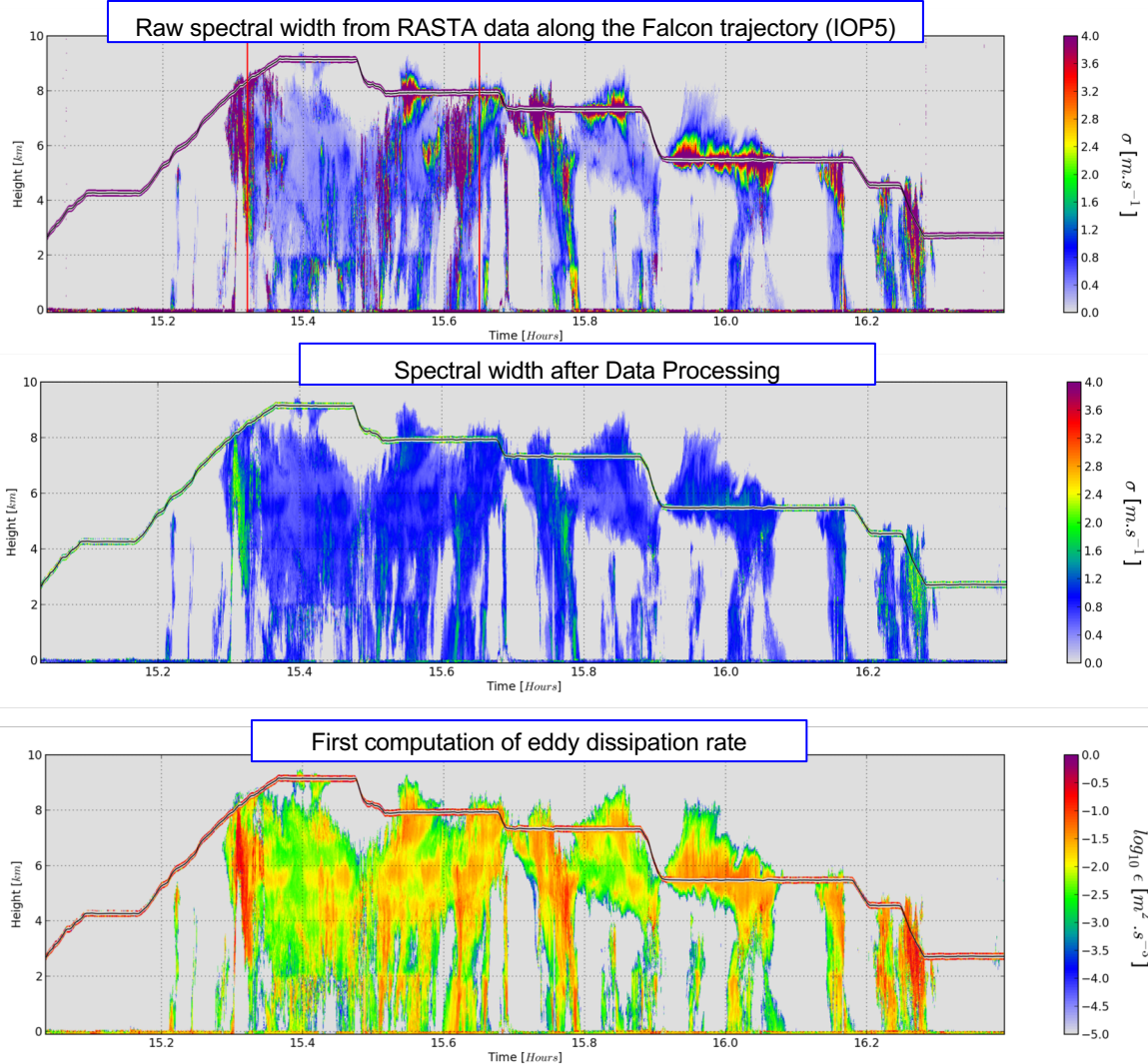
In-cloud turbulence

Validation of the turbulence schemes used in CRMs

- Need for fine-scale observations of turbulence inside convective clouds

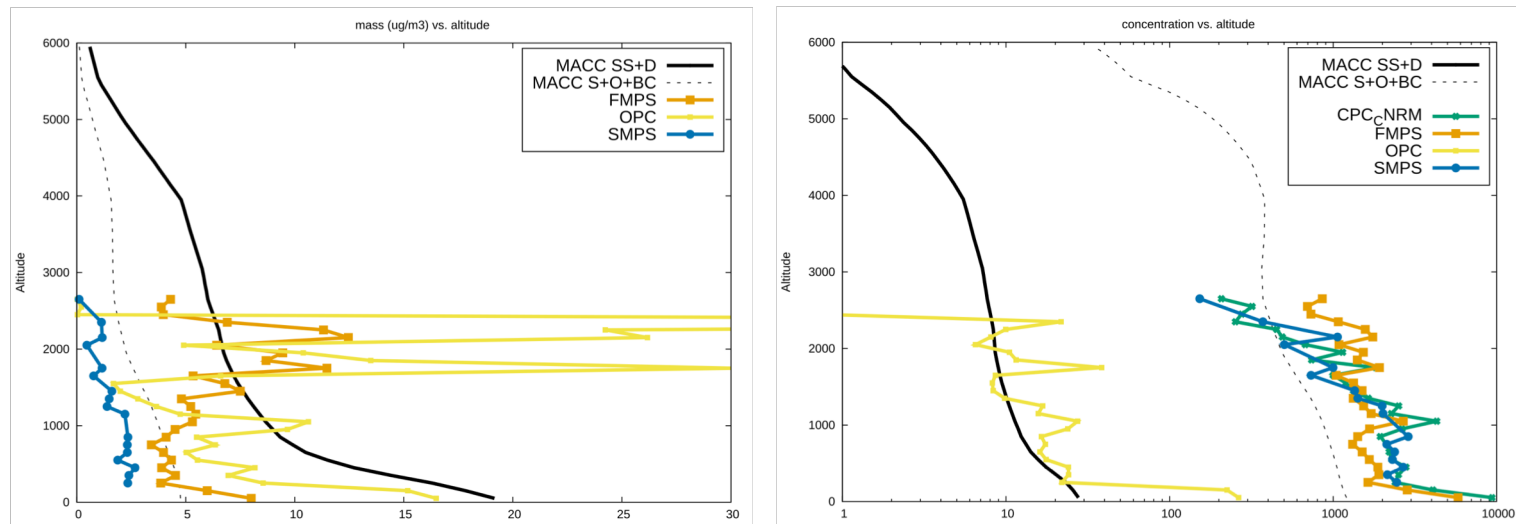
→ EDR estimates from RASTA data for IOP5 (EXAEDRE field campaign)
10 October 2018: convection over the Gulf of Genoa
Comparison with CRMs

*R. Houël, D. Ricard, J. Delanoë
(CNRM - LATMOS)*



Realistic aerosol population for LIMA

- CAMS analyses provide mass mixing ratios for 5 aerosol species
- Mass to number conversion calibrated using the ATR42 observations
- Good match for both big aerosols (sea-salt and dust from CAMS compared to the OPC) and small aerosols (sulfates, organics, black carbon from CAMS)



Average vertical profiles of aerosol mass mixing ratio (left, $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$) and number concentration (right, m^{-3}), ATR flight 58.

Black lines : CAMS average vertical profiles of aerosol mass mixing ratio, and inferred number concentration.

Colored lines : Observed average vertical profiles of aerosol number concentration, and inferred mass mixing ratio.