

## ALADIN DA basic kit Working Days

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# Towards a DA system for AROME-PT2

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## Sequence of ideas:

- 1. Motivation: DA aspects**
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- 3. Upper-air DA: local scripting system**
- 4. Availability of Ibearian conv obs**

## 1. Motivation: DA aspects

DA: filtering and propagating observations

$$[x^a - x^b]_i = \rho(i,j) \sigma_b^{-2} / [\sigma_b^{-2} + \sigma_o^{-2}] (y^o(j) - Hx^b(j))$$

2 basic contributions (many simplifications !):

- + good quality (pseudo-)observations from the type able to reduce the representativeness error and a linearized projection from model to observations space
- + a good filter and propagation factor built from estimated observations and background errors

Necessary conditions to make it real using the local capabilities:

(communitary) source code + namelist settings + scripting system + data monitoring & verification/diagnostic tools + computer resources + time(/man) power resources

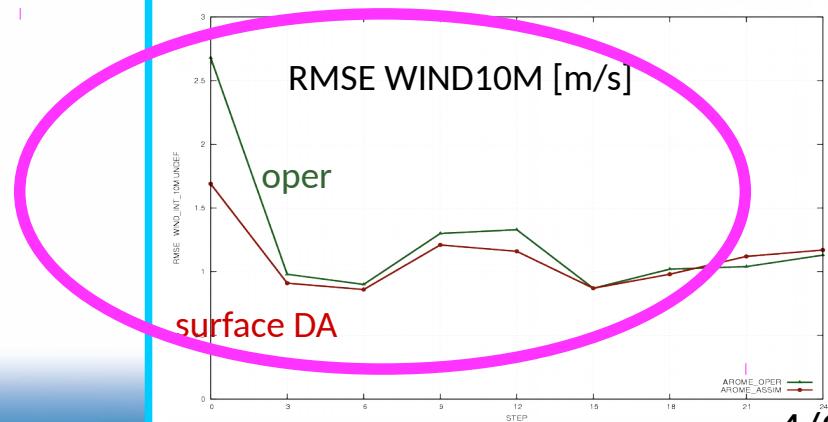
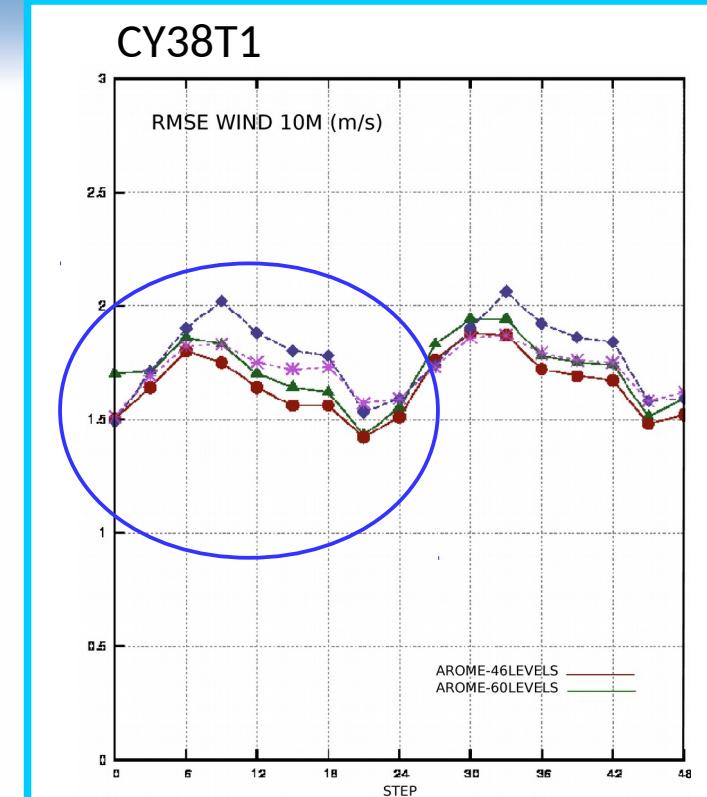
## 2. Surface DA: CANARI/OI\_MAIN

2 ALADIN options (for operations):

- CANARI/OI\_MAIN → computational efficiency  
(available since CY38T1)
- externalized OI\_MAIN → historical



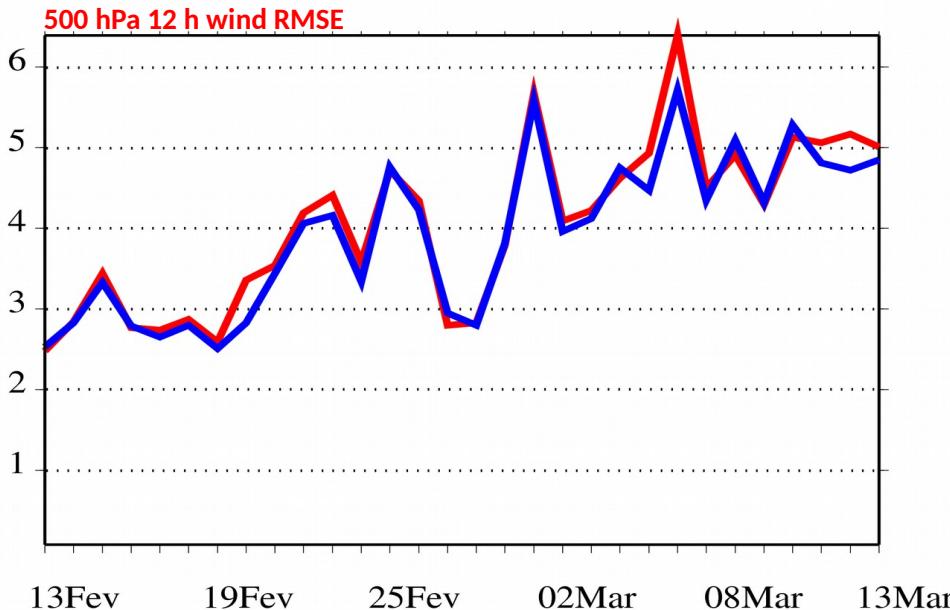
with the collaboration of M-F and CHMI



### 3. Upper-air DA: local scripting system

Studying the ALADIN/AROME 3D-Var formalism:

Modelling B matrix has an impact on the model scores !



The red line refers  
the model scores  
over one month  
period when B-  
matrix takes into  
account the  
weather conditions  
at play

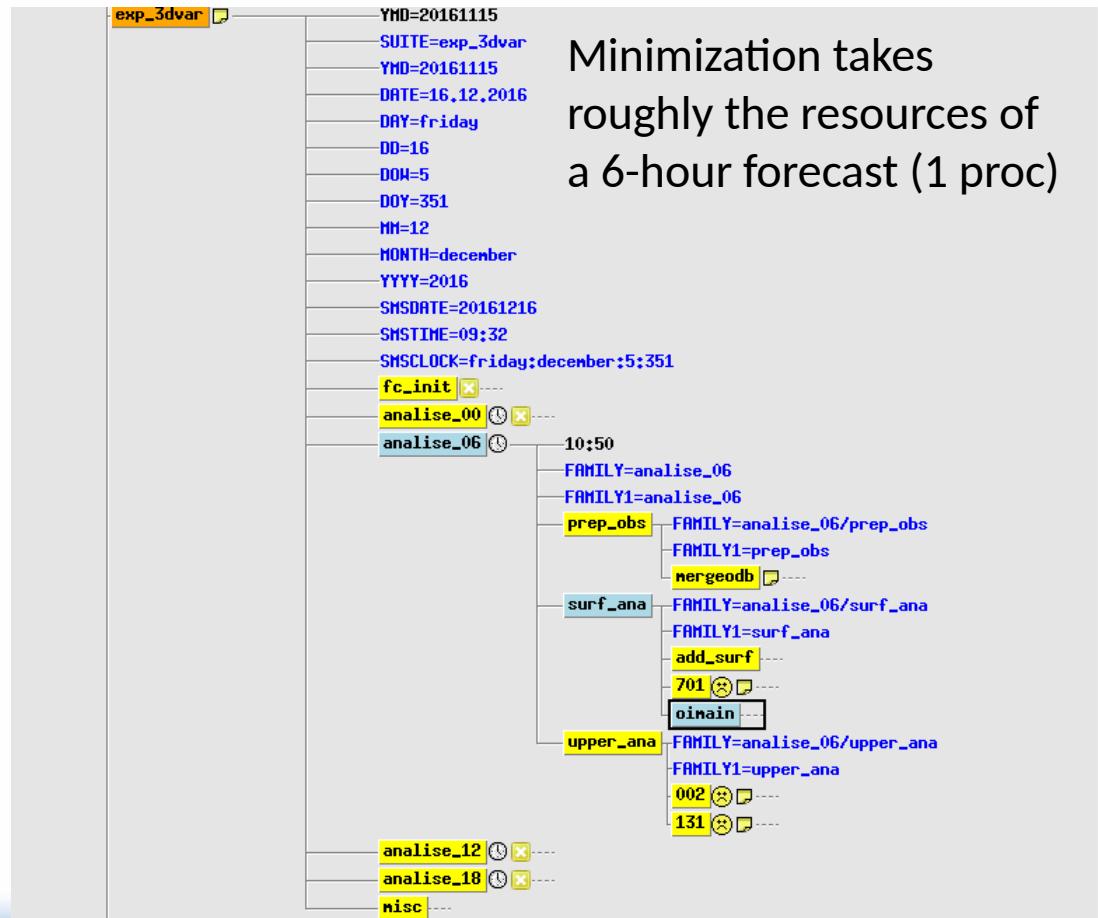
An impact study of updating background error covariances in the ALADIN-France data assimilation system, Berre, L. et al, 2013

### 3. Upper-air DA: local scripting system

IPMA 3D-Var testbed (with the collaboration of OMSZ and CHMI)

2 options:

- install locally the HARMONIE (HIRLAM) scripting system (taking advantage from the work done with local radar DA) → too far from the ALADIN (~HIRLAM) philosophy to be run in to operations (at that time)
- extend the already existent scripting system, using the local facilities



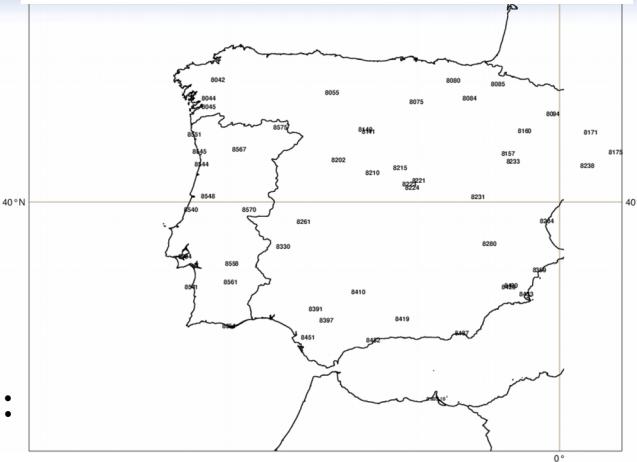
## 4. Availability of Iberian conv obs

with the collaboration of M-F and CHMI

54 Iberian surface observations

2015.08.02 12UTC

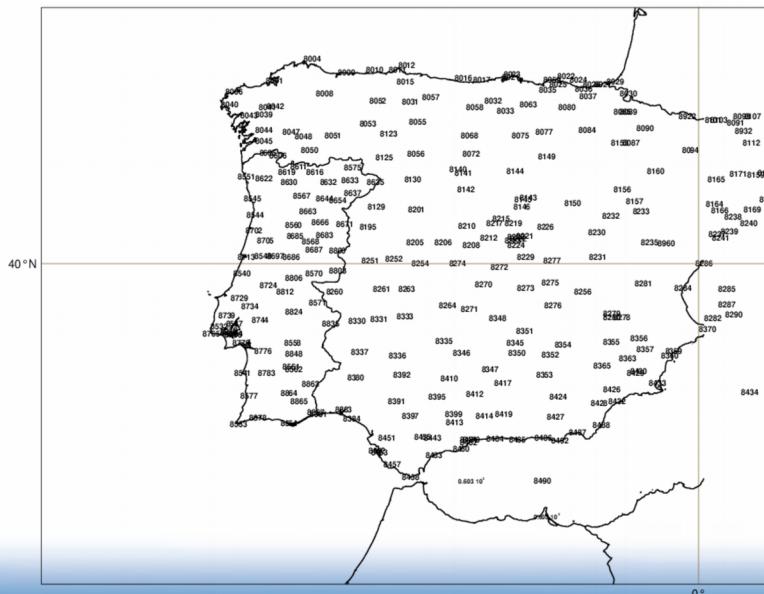
@ECMWF/MARS



2/3 ALADIN options (for operations):

- ECMWF temporary fetching
- OPLACE agreement (ODB data)
- Local processing (BATOR/BUFR) 

336 (3-hour) Iberian surface observations  
2016.07.19 12UTC



@IPMA/BUFR WMO but  
not fully dissemination  
standards !!!

But reduced  
representativeness error,  
if a good local filtering is  
considered

## 4. Availability of Iberian conv obs



Conventional Observations (WMO BUFR) with the collaboration of Météo-France and LACE (<http://www.rclace.eu/?page=11>) by:

- back-phasing a recent version of BATOR code

SYNOP

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TEMP

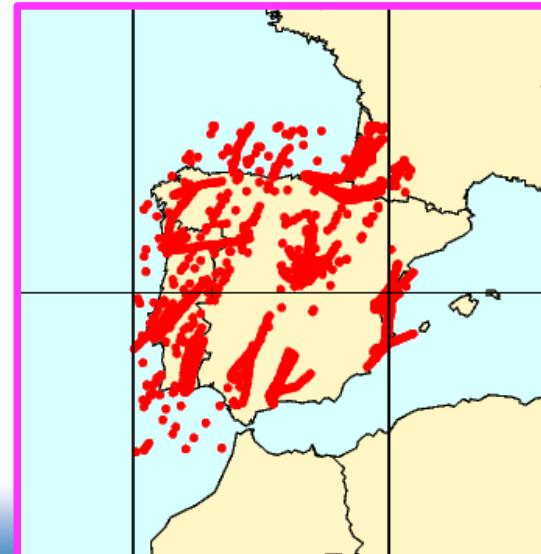
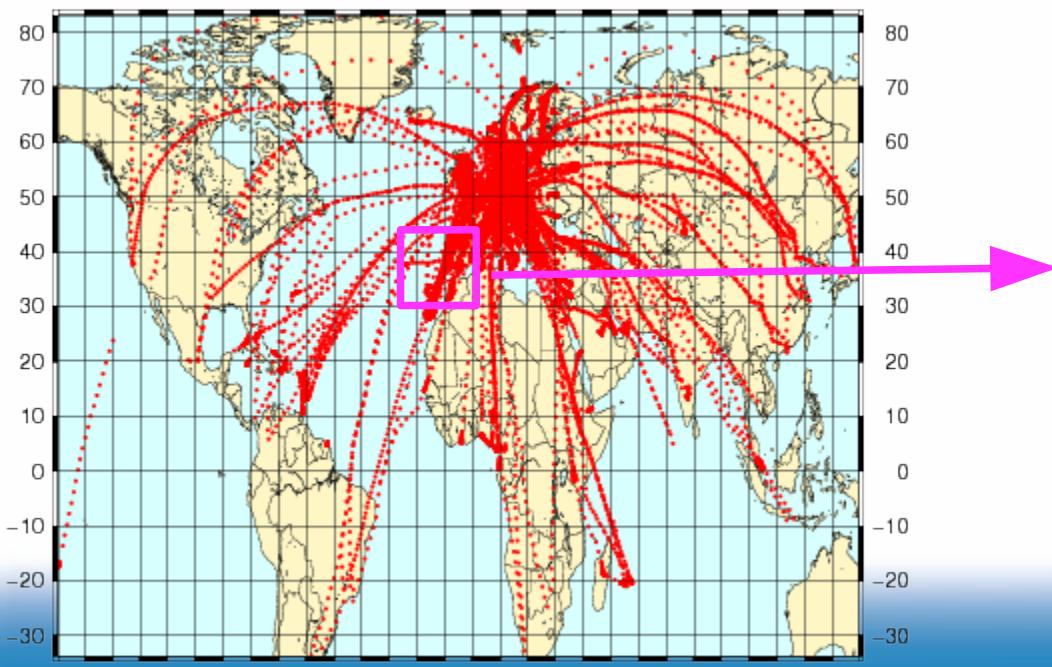
Validation of a back-phased version of source code BATOR

- creating a new subroutine 'amdarWMO' (using HIRLAM Guessparamcfg utility !)

AMDAR

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Upgrade of the source code BATOR to WMO AMDAR template 311010v7



## 8. Some conclusions



- IPMA has a local Surface Data Assimilation system with the potential to improve AROME forecasts; screen-level analysis (and the update of the climatologies, not shown here) is a starting point to improve near surface parameters and products
- IPMA started to prepare the framework for Upper-air DA (radar DA feasibility study, local conv observation processing) and has some plans to revitalize some research on background errors modelling

Thank you !



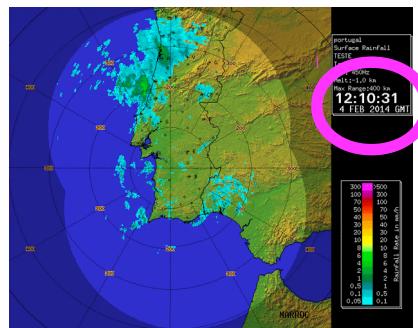
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## Feasibility test with HARMONIE-AROME/PTG (ECMWF)

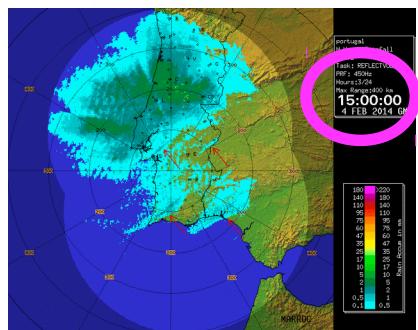
Ideal (!) weather conditions for the experiment : 4 feb 2014

Locally pre-processed (BUFR M-F) volumetric data

Input observation



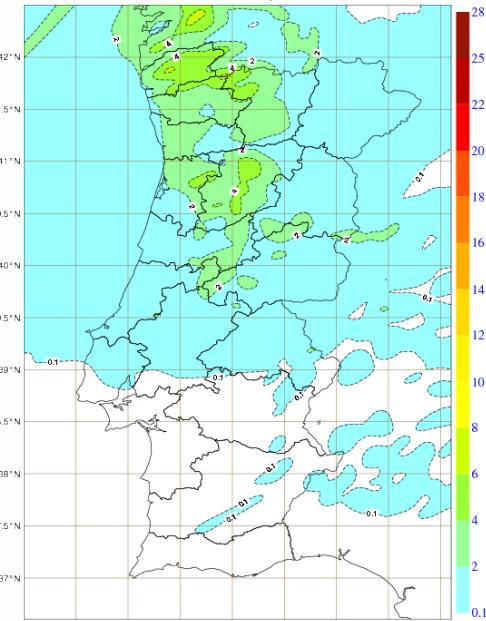
Verification time



15UTC simulated reflectivity (H+03): 4 feb 2014

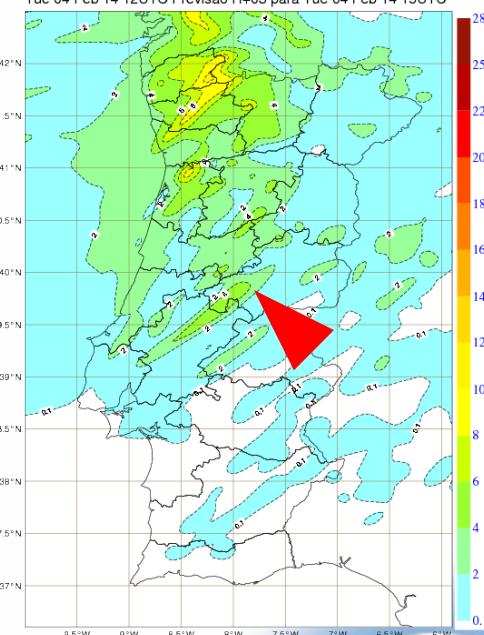
**OPER (CY36T1)**

AROME: Refletividade radar (mm/h) ao nível 1000hPa  
Ter 04 Fev 14 12UTC Previsão H+03 para Ter 04 Fev 14 15UTC



**EXP (CY37H1)**

AROME: Refletividade radar (mm/h) ao nível 1000hPa  
Tue 04 Feb 14 12UTC Previsão H+03 para Tue 04 Feb 14 15UTC



**Assimilação de dados radar no HARMONIE-AROME/Portugal: ensaio numa situação frontal, Monteiro M. et al., 9º Simpósio APMG – 16 March 2015, Tavira, Portugal**

Maria Monteiro, algorithmic developments 3D/4D variational assimilation in the consortia, ALADIN-HIRLAM Strategy Workshop, Toulouse

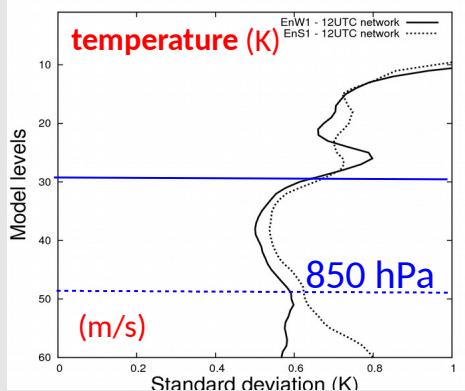
26-28 April 2016

Seasonal  
average

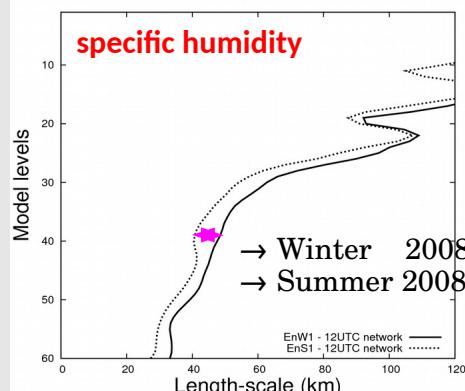
Daily  
average

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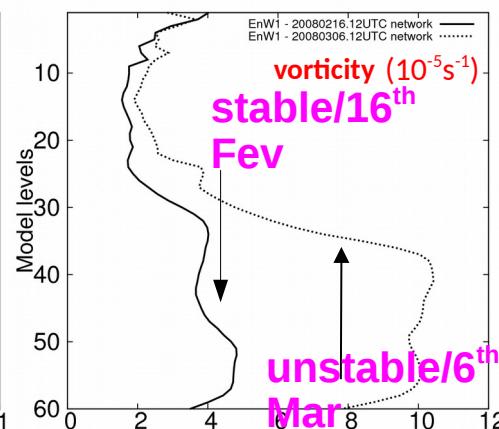
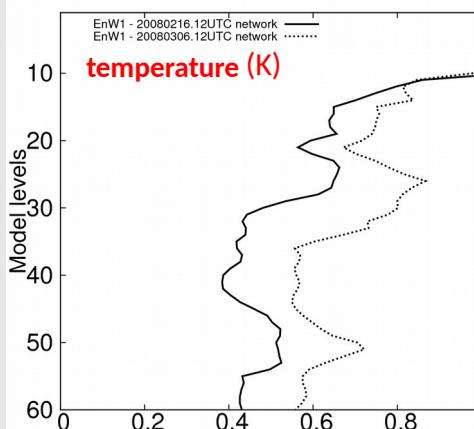
Vertical profiles of  
STANDARD DEVIATIONS



Vertical profiles of horizontal  
LENGTH SCALES



STANDARD DEVIATIONS



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