THE 183-GHZ RADIOMETER HAMSTRAD: VALIDATION OVER THE PYRENEES MOUNTAINS (FRANCE) AND FIRST MEASUREMENTS AT DOME C (ANTARCTICA)

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#### Introduction

- H<sub>2</sub>O Trends and impact on climate change
- Measurements from ground-based microwave radiometers
  - NDACC : stratospheric H<sub>2</sub>O
  - Pic du Midi, Réunion Island, Dome C
- HAMSTRAD (H<sub>2</sub>O Antarctica Microwave Stratospheric and Tropospheric Radiometers)
  - 1 microwave radiometer has been funded by CNRS/INSU for Dome C: tropospheric H<sub>2</sub>O (and Temperature)
- Installation
  - Pic du Midi (PdM) in Feb-Jun 2008 (validation)
     42°56'N, 0°08'E, 2877 m asml, France
  - Dome C in Jan-Feb 2009 (outdoor setting up for 12 days)
     75°06'S, 123°21'E, 3233 m asml
  - Dome C from Jan 2010: definitive indoor setting up

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#### HAMSTRAD Radiometer

 Original state-of-the-art microwave radiometer, especially developed for DC environment by Radiometer Physics

- Very cold and dry environment Bordeaux (me
- Automated
- O 2 bands
  - 60 GHz (O<sub>2</sub>)
    - Temperature
    - 0-10 km
    - 7 channels
  - 183 GHz (H<sub>2</sub>O)
    - Absolute Humidity
    - 0-10 km
    - o 6 channels
- Retrieval
  - Linear Regression



- Vertical Resolution: 80-250 m ( $H_2O$ ) & 250 m (T)
- Time resolution: 1-10 min
- Errors (RMS) : 0.01-0.04 g m<sup>-3</sup> (H<sub>2</sub>O) & 0.5-2 K (T)





# Radiosoundings

- Lannemezan
  - (43°07′N, 0°23′E, 610 m asml, France)
  - [~30 km North-East from PdM],
- Bordeaux-Mérignac Airport
  - (44°49'N, 0°42'W, 50 m asml, France)
  - [~220 km North-West from PdM],
- Zaragoza
  - (41°39'N, 0°53'W, 263 m asml, Spain)
  - [~170 km South-West from PdM].
- Dome C
  - (75°06'S, 123°21'E, 3233 m asml)
- ⇒HAMSTRAD profiles were selected within a 20-min window starting at the time of the sounding launch. This typically corresponds to 2-4 HAMSTRAD profiles.





## **METOP/IASI**

- **METOP** satellites (x3)
- Launched in Oct 2006
- Lifetime: 5 years
- 9 instruments



- IASI: Nadir IR remote sensing using an accurately calibrated Fourier Transform Spectrometer operating in the 3.6-15.5 µm (645-2760 cm<sup>-1</sup>) spectral range with a spectral resolution 0.25 cm<sup>-1</sup>.
- Pre-operational L2 H<sub>2</sub>O data provided by EUMETSAT via Ether
- Selection within a 2°x2° bin centered at the location of the station, coincidence within one hour
- PdM: Irrespective of the presence of cloud in the line of sight, 10-30 twice per day, around 09:00-10:00 and 21:00-22:00 UTC
- DC: Cloud-free measurements, from 13:00 to 02:00 UTC (16:00-19:00 and 23:00-02:00 UTC)

## PT100 in situ Sondes

- Obme C
- 45-m high US tower
- LGGE
  - H<sub>2</sub>O and Temperature
  - 2009 (+2010)
- CEA
  - Temperature
  - 2009



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# Measurements at the Pic du Mid

- Feb-Jun 2008
  - Outdoor measurements
  - LN<sub>2</sub> Calibration
  - Outdoor Temperature: from -20°C to +10°C
- Results
  - ⇒H<sub>2</sub>O
  - Temporal evolution (Feb-Jun 2008)
  - Statistical Analysis
    - Mean
    - Standard deviation
    - Bias (in coincidence)
    - Correlation (in coincidence)
  - Short-term variability (24h)

Pic du Midi - Integrated Water Vapor



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#### Monthly mean **Standard Deviation** 0,005 0,010 0,015 0,020 0,025 0.030 0.00 0.01 0.02 0.05 0.04 13 FEBRUARY 12 FEBRUARY 11 10 к Ч 9 8 HAMSTRAD (4120) Height / HAMSTRAD (4120) In situ (1171012) In situ (1171012) IASI (68) IASI (68) Bordeaux (56) 6 Bordeaux (56) Lannemezan (10) Lannemezan (10) F Zaragoza (54) Zaragoza (54) 3 Monthly-averaged Absolute Humidity / g m $^{-3}$ 0.0 0.5 1.0 2.0 1.5 Standard Deviation / g m -3 **FEBRUARY** 2008 **Bias**



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Height / km



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#### Dome C





#### Measurements at Dome C

- Jan-Feb 2009
  - Outdoor measurements
  - No LN<sub>2</sub> Calibration
  - Outdoor Temperature: from -20°C to -40°C
- Jan 2010 to date
  - Indoor measurements (exception of 1 week outdoor measurements from 8 to 12 Jan.)
  - LN<sub>2</sub> Calibration
  - Outdoor Temperature: from -20°C to -40°C
  - Indoor Temperature: from +1°C to +18°C
  - Daily automated transfer of measurements
- Results
  - $\Rightarrow$  H<sub>2</sub>O and Temperature
  - Temporal evolution (both periods)
  - Statistical Analysis
    - Mean
    - Standard deviation
    - Bias (in coincidence)
    - Correlation (in coincidence)
  - Short-term variability (24h)

## **Outdoor Measurements**







## **Indoor Measurements**















#### **Temperature**









#### **Diurnal Variation of Temperature / January**





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#### Conclusions

- HAMSTRAD is behaving well at DC since JAN 2010
- Validation
  - PdM: radiosoundings and IASI (H<sub>2</sub>O)
  - DC: radiosoundings, IASI and in situ sondes (H<sub>2</sub>O and T)

<ul> <li>Time series/Statistication</li> </ul>		
H <sub>2</sub> O	PBL	weak
	Free Troposphere	good with bias
	UT	weak
	LS	no
Temperature	PBL	very good
	Free Troposphere	good with bias
	UTLS	weak

#### Science

• surface-atmosphere interaction (PBL), diurnal variation<sup>36</sup>