

Data assimilation in Morocco

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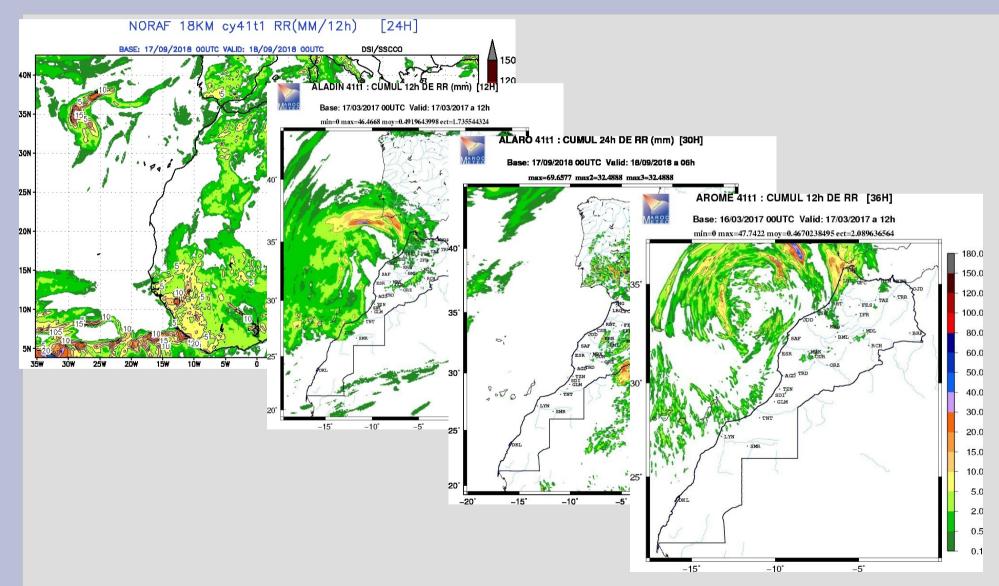
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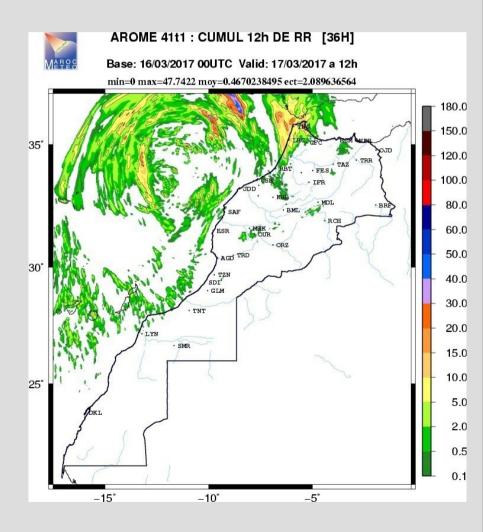
Operational configurations: ALADIN-NORAF, ALADIN-MOROCCO, **ALARO and AROME**





Data assimilation: Experimental AROME DA

- AROME;cy41t1+cy40; Resolution:
 2.5km; Grid: 800*800; Vertical levels:
 90; Coupling: ALADIN MAROC every
 1hour; Forecast range: 48 hours;
 Time step: 50s; DFI: None
- Upper air analysis: 3DVAR; cycling 3h; Assimilation window: +/-1.5h; Ensemble B matrix; Observations: Synop, Temp and Buoys (BUFR format);
- Surface analysis: test of canari OK





Data assimilation: Data handling

The following actions are achieved:

- 1.Getting data from GTS (in BUFR format) for SYNOP, TEMP and AMDAR data
- 2. Producing local BUFR from GPS
- 3. Storing these data in a local database
- 4. Convert GTS data to ODB format (via BATOR).
- 5. Check the content of the resulting ODB by Mandalay

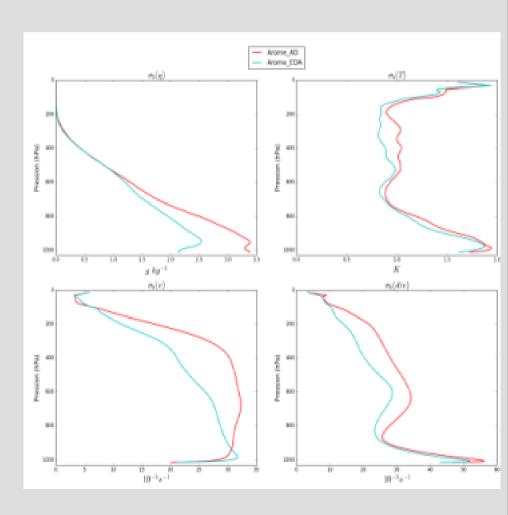


Data assimilation: B matrix

Background-error covariances for AROME:

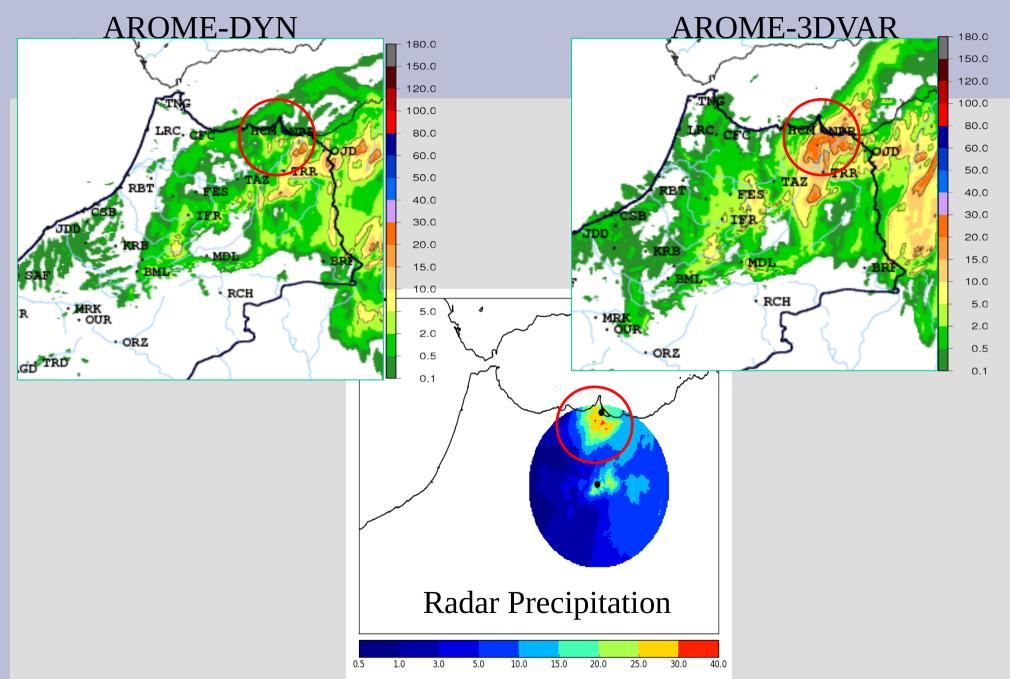
The first version of the backgounderror covariances for AROME-Maroc was calculated using AROME forecast ensemble coupled to Arpège in dynamic adaptation mode (Arome_AD).

The operational version is computed using an ensemble assimilation- based method with six independent perturbed assimilation cycles (Arome_EDA).





Case study 19/01/2018: 24h precipitation forecast





Plans for the future

New calculator

 3DVAR operational suite on AROME (2.5km and 90 levels)

Surface analysis

 GPS (positive impact in ALADIN and AROME MAROC)



Thank you for your attention