

## OSI-SAF METOP-AVHRR PROTOTYPE preliminary results P.LeBorgne, H. Roquet, S. Péré

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#### Introduction (nighttime biases)



Mean error over 5 years (night) GHRSST XIV, Woodshole 17-21 June 2013



#### Introduction (daytime biases)



Mean error over 5 years (day) GHRSST XIV, Woodshole 17-21 June 2013



### A prototype to correct for regional biases

- METOP-A has shown satisfactory results (since 2007)
- ...but shows regional biases
- Accounting for actual atmospheric absorption is needed
- 2 main (BT simulation based) approaches:
  - OE (Merchant et al 2008,2009,2013)
  - Bias correction (LeBorgne et al, 2011, Petrenko et al, 2011)
- SST= guess +  $\Sigma$  ai (obsBT<sub>i</sub>-simBT<sub>i</sub>)

A prototype has been run on METOP-A since November 2011 to test a bias correction method similar to that used for GEO satellites (based on BT simulations)

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## BT adjustment

- Analytic solution not convincing
- Daily adjustment maps have been defined (same approach as for operational geostationary processing)
- Built from filtered simulation- observation differences averaged...
- over 10 days and 10° (lat lon)
- BT adjustment in strictly nighttime conditions (θsol >110°)

## **ARCTIC?**

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#### **BT** simulations-observations

T37

t37: simulations-observations t10B: simulations-observations t120: simulations-observations Overall mean T37 difference= -0.06 C Overall mean T108 difference = -0.09 C Overall mean T120 difference= 0.10 C 2.0×10<sup>6</sup> 2.0×10<sup>6</sup> 2.0×10<sup>6</sup> 1.5×10<sup>€</sup> 1.5×10 1.5×10 1.0×10 1.0×10 1.0×10 5.0×10 5.0×10 5.0×10<sup>5</sup> 1.8 1.0 1.0 MEAN DIFFERENCE MEAN DIFFERENCE MEAN DIFFERENCE 0.5 0.5 0.5 0.0 0.0 υ 0.0 υ -0.5-0.5-0.5-1.0-1.0-1.0ST. DEV. ST. DEV. ST. DEV. 2 5 7 O  $\circ$ O May June July May June July May June July 20112012 20112012 20112012

« cloud free » cases: qual. levels > 3; |simBT108-obsBT108| < 1.5K; wind > 2ms-1

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T120

T108

#### BT adjusted simulations-observations

T108

T37



- Good results on the average
- Not optimal according to Tomazic et al 2013: 3 days , 15°

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T120











# SST corrections: comparison to buoy measurements (qual 3-4-5)

Daytime

Nighttime



Qual >3; |guess-insitu|< 1.5; obst37 > simu-1.; obst108 > simu-1.5

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#### What about HL (Arctic) in daytime?

- Tomazic's optimal parameters 3 days x 15°
- 3.7 μm adjustment as in prototype
- 10.8 and 12.0 μm adjustment: θsun > 90 or wind > 4 ms-1
- Applied in December 2011, March, June, September 2012
  Errors as a function of latitude in June 2012: VS OSTIA
   VS buoys
   OSTI







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#### Arctic BT adjustment main issue:



OSTIA too cold (DW or other reasons) -> simulations too cold

- -> simulations over corrected
- -> simulated SSTs too large
- -> excessive (negative) corrections.



## Conclusion

- METOP-A Prototype has been run for several months
- Global Results are improved
- Regional biases are significantly reduced
- Arctic poses a specific problem of BT adjustment
  (low winds , permanent daytime conditions)
- Preoperational chain should be ready in February 2014

