

Radar observation treatment

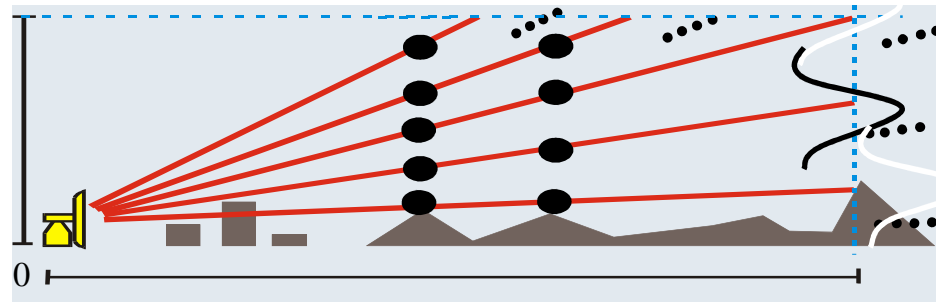
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Radar assimilation

- Radar data
 - Volume scans from each radar
 - Very large data amounts
- Reflectivities
 - Difficult to do direct assimilation (complicated relation between control variables and reflectivity, including microphysics)
 - 1D + 3DVar
 - Assimilation of a humidity pseudo observation
 - Assimilation of “no humidity” to dry the model
- Radial velocities
 - Easier and more straight forward
 - Dealiasing is needed



HARMONIE radar assimilation: Reflectivity

- Combination of 1D Bayesian and 3DVAR schemes
 - Developed by MeteoFrance (Caumont et. al, 2007)
- 1D humidity profiles are retrieved utilizing reflectivity measurements
 - Comparing radar reflectivity with simulated reflectivity to obtain weights for interpolation
 - Pseudo-observations of relative humidity using the weights model humidity to observation point
 - If there is no precipitation in the model, but in observations, humidity is set to 100%
 - If there is precipitation in the model but not in observations, surrounding dry pixels are used
- Pseudo-observations assimilated using 3DVAR
- Areas of no precipitation
 - It is also important to assimilate pixels with no reflectivity to dry the model
 - “nodata” or “undetected” ?!

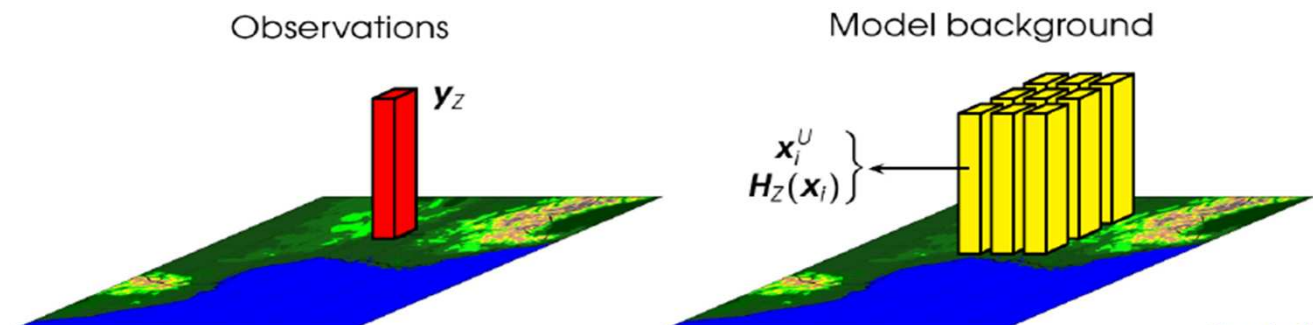
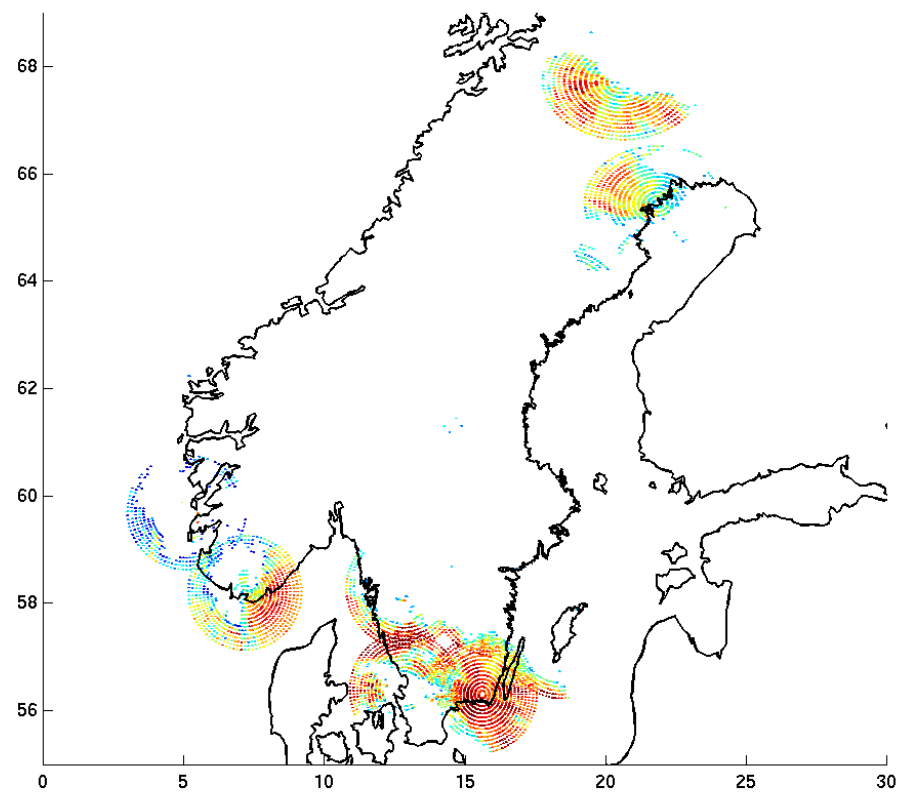
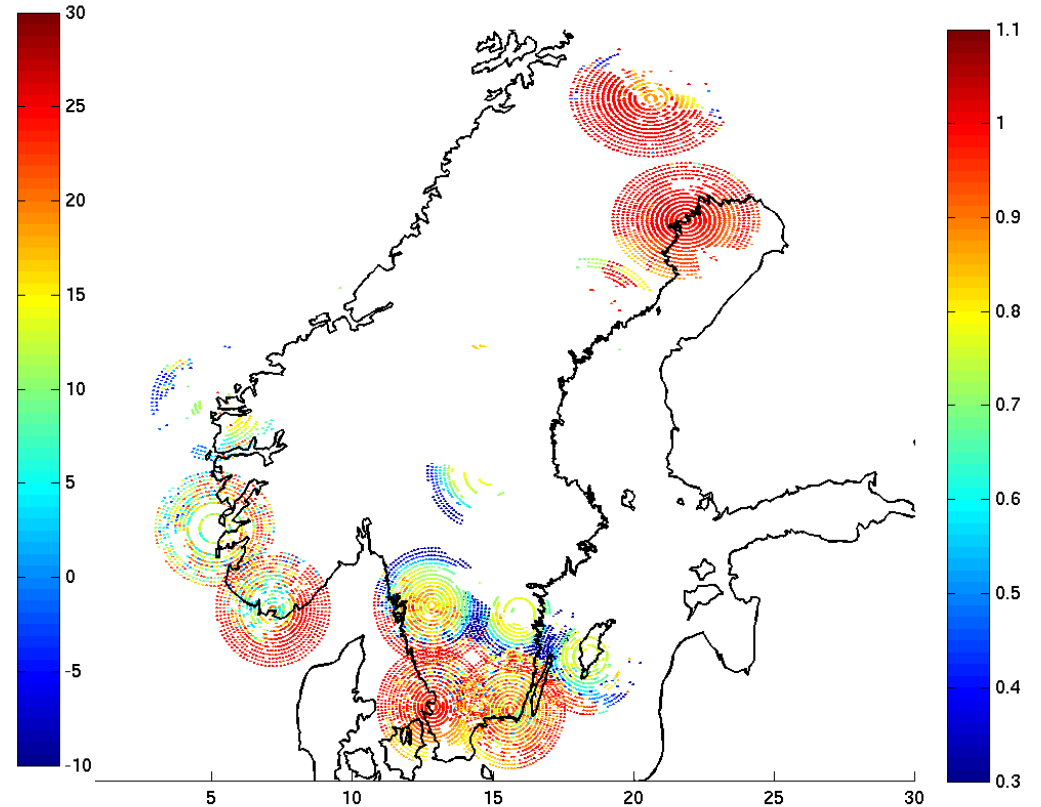


Figure by Olivier

Observed reflectivity

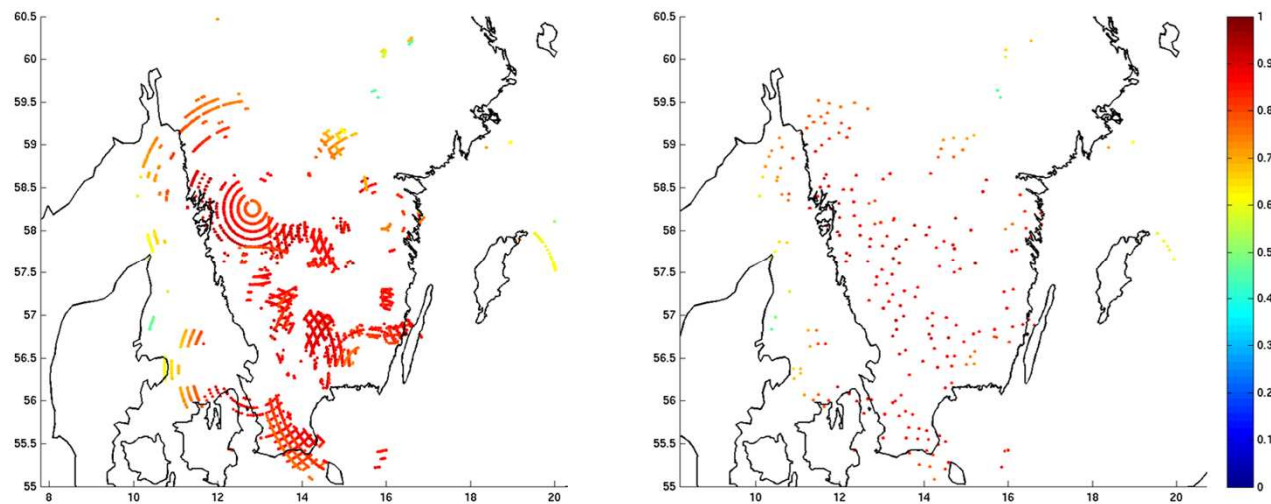


Pseudo observation of humidity



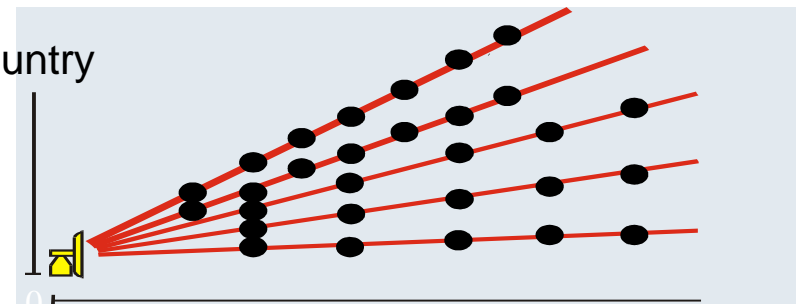
Very large data amount

- Thinning
 - Pre-thinning to be able to read the data
 - Thinning in BATOR to be able to handle it in the screening
 - Final thinning in the screening with mindist = 15 km
- Super observations
 - Calculate spatial averages of the raw data
 - Needs to be made carefully, e.g. use precipitating or non-precipitating pixels



HARMONIE assimilation: Challenges

- Different data formats from different data suppliers
 - HDF5, BUFR, internal formats...
 - Many countries are aiming for the OPERA Information Data Model (ODIM) in HDF5 or BUFR file format
- Different grid types
 - Most countries use polar coordinates (azimuth angle and range)
 - Different volume sizes
- Different scan strategies
 - Different for different elevations
 - Different for reflectivity and radial velocity
- Different quality of the data
 - Different levels of quality control in each country



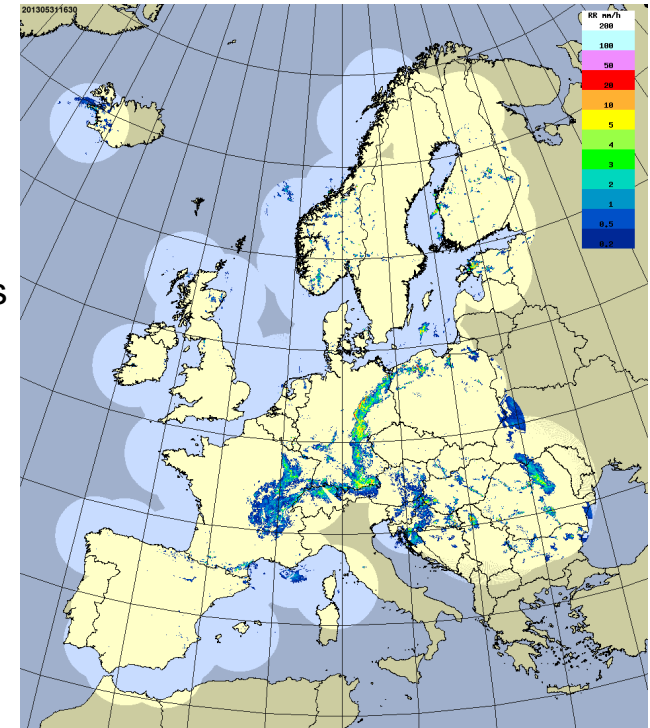
ODIM HDF5

- OPERA
 - Eumetnet programme to collect radar data
 - Produces 2D radar composites
 - Little distribution of volume data and low demand for winds
 - NWP usage put new, high demands on the data

- Advantages of ODIM_H5
 - Well defined
 - Well documented
 - Most countries deliver data in ODIM_H5 to OPERA
 - The output format from the BALTRAD toolbox (QC)

- Local differences (errors)
 - Wrong naming, unit errors, missing parameters...
 - Not detected since there has been no such advanced usage earlier
 - The use of “undetected” and “nodata”

- Delivery of volumes or scans
 - The model expects volumes
 - Can cause differences when the scans are put together into a volume



HARMONIE assimilation: Where are we?

- Input data format
 - A conversion tool is available (local format → MF-BUFR)
 - A reader for ODIM_H5 is available
 - We can handle (most?) local differences regarding volume sizes, scan strategies...
 - Data reduction is needed
 - Reads directly into BATOR
- Assimilation experiments
 - Impact experiments performed at SMHI, MET-Norway, KNMI
 - Technical experiments performed at DMI including data from around 40 radars from several countries (Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Finland, Estonia, Germany, The Netherlands, Belgium, France and Poland). Impact studies is underway.
 - Work started to include radar data in HARMONIE 4D-Var
 - MetCoOp: Passive mode over the summer, will be included actively in the test runs of cy38h1.2
- Radar data exchange
 - An operational data exchange among HIRLAM countries is established
 - Uses the BALTRAD servers with data sent to OPERA
 - Quality controlled with the BALTRAD toolbox before made available


```
elif [ $base = "amsua" ] ; then
    # AMSU-A
    if [ $AMSUA_OBS -eq 1 ]; then
        echo "amsua BUFR amsua      ${YMD} ${HH}">>refdata
        ln -sf $WRK/oulan/amsua ./BUFR.amsua
        cp ${HM_LIB}/nam/param_bator.cfg.amsua.${ATOVS_SOURCE} ./param.cfg
    fi
elif [ $base = "amsub" ] ; then
    # AMSU-B
    if [ $AMSUB_OBS -eq 1 ]; then
        echo "amsub BUFR amsub      ${YMD} ${HH}">>refdata
        ln -sf $WRK/oulan/amsub ./BUFR.amsub
        cp ${HM_LIB}/nam/param_bator.cfg.amsub.${ATOVS_SOURCE} ./param.cfg
    fi
elif [ $base = "iasi" ] ; then
    if [ $IASI_OBS -eq 1 ]; then
        echo "iasi BUFR iasi      ${YMD} ${HH}">>refdata
        ln -sf $WRK/oulan/iasi ./BUFR.iasi
        ln -sf ${HM_SAT_CONST}/iasichannels ./iasichannels
        cp ${HM_LIB}/nam/param_bator.cfg.${IASI_SOURCE} ./param.cfg
    fi
```

```
elif [ $base = "radarv" ]; then
if [ "$RADAR_OBS" -eq "1" ]; then
cp ${HM_LIB}/nam/param_bator.cfg.radarv ./param.cfg
echo -e "\n\n\n Radar\n\n\n"
# Find available radars
RADAR=""
for F in $( ls -1 $WRK/radarbufr/ ); do
R=$( echo $F | cut -d "_" -f1 )
echo $RADAR | grep -q $R || RADAR="$RADAR $R"
done
for R in $RADAR ; do
FV=$( find $WRK/radarbufr -name "${R}_vr.bfr" )
FR=$( find $WRK/radarbufr -name "${R}_zh.bfr" )
H5V=$( find $WRK/radarbufr -name "${R}_vr.h5" )
H5R=$( find $WRK/radarbufr -name "${R}_zh.h5" )
echo "Checking for $FV"
if [ -e "$FV" ]; then
echo "${R}vr BUFR radarv ${YMD} ${HH}">>refdata
cat refdata
ln -sf $FV ./BUFR.${R}vr
fi
echo "Checking for $FR"
if [ -e "$FR" ]; then
echo "${R}zh BUFR radarv ${YMD} ${HH}">>refdata
cat refdata
ln -sf $FR ./BUFR.${R}zh
fi
echo "Checking for $H5VR"
if [ -e "$H5V" ]; then
echo "${R}vr HDF5 radarv ${YMD} ${HH}">>refdata
cat refdata
ln -sf $H5V ./HDF5.${R}vr
fi
echo "Checking for $H5R"
if [ -e "$H5R" ]; then
echo "${R}zh HDF5 radarv ${YMD} ${HH}">>refdata
cat refdata
ln -sf $H5R ./HDF5.${R}zh
fi
done
else
echo -e "\n\n\n No radar\n\n\n"
fi #RADAR_OBS
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      echo "Checking for $FV"
      if [ -e "$FV" ]; then
        echo "${R}vr BUFR   radarv   ${YMD} ${HH}">>refdata
        cat refdata
        ln -sf $FV ./BUFR.${R}vr
      fi
      echo "Checking for $FR"
      if [ -e "$FR" ]; then
        echo "${R}zh BUFR   radarv   ${YMD} ${HH}">>refdata
        cat refdata
        ln -sf $FR ./BUFR.${R}zh
      fi
      echo "Checking for $H5VR"
      if [ -e "$H5V" ]; then
        echo "${R}vr HDF5   radarv   ${YMD} ${HH}">>refdata
        cat refdata
        ln -sf $H5V ./HDF5.${R}vr
      fi
      echo "Checking for $H5R"
      if [ -e "$H5R" ]; then
        echo "${R}zh HDF5   radarv   ${YMD} ${HH}">>refdata
        cat refdata
        ln -sf $H5R ./HDF5.${R}zh
      fi
    done
  else
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  fi
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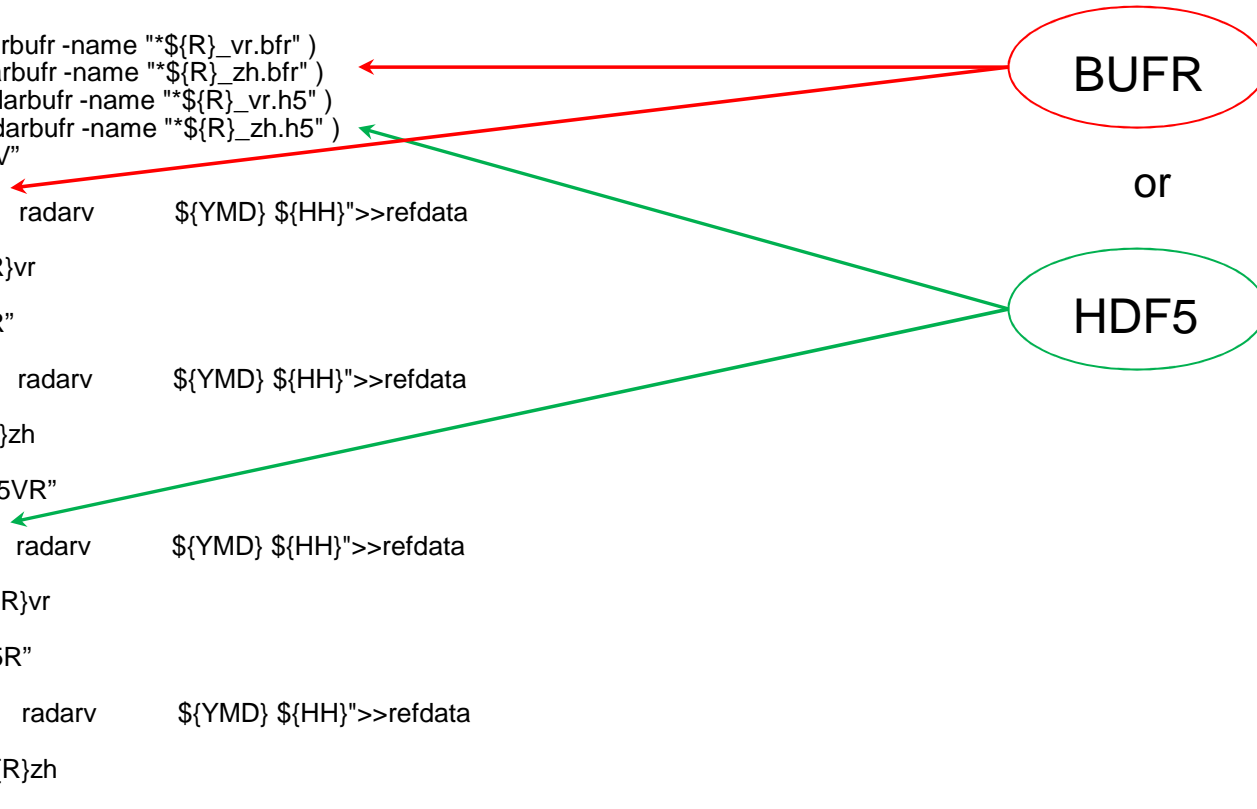
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Wind and reflectivity in separate files (vr or zh)
Can also be in the same file

BUFR

or

HDF5



I want to use radardata! What do I need to do?

- `scr/include.ass`
 - `export RADAR_OBS=1 #Radar`
- `scr/Radar2bufr`
 - Point to the location of the radarfiles
 - Copy to the work directory with the correct naming (`wmoid_zh.h5` or `wmoid_vr.bfr`)
- HDF5 libraries
 - Point to the libraries and includes in `Env_system`
 - Include these in the makeup config file

Env_system

```
module load hdf5/1.8.9
```

```
# Run time librariesexport
```

```
LD_LIBRARY_PATH=$LD_LIBRARY_PATH:$NETCDF_DIR/lib:/software/apps/hdf5/1.8.9/i1214/lib/
```

```
# HDF5
```

```
export HDF5_DIR=/software/apps/hdf5/1.8.9/i1214/
```

```
export HDF5_INC="-I$HDF5_DIR/include"
```

```
export HDF5_LIB="-L$HDF5_DIR/lib -lhdf5_fortran -lhdf5 -lz"
```

util/Makeup/config.mymachine

```
DEFS=-DLINUX -DLITTLE -DLITTLE_ENDIAN -DHIGHRES -DADDRESS64 -DPOINTER_64 -D_ABI64 -DBLAS \
-DSTATIC_LINKING -DINTEL -D_RTTOV_DO_DISTRIBCOEF -DINTEGER_IS_INT \
-DREAL_8 -DREAL_BIGGER_THAN_INTEGER -DUSE_SAMIO -D_RTTOV_DO_DISTRIBCOEF -DNO_CURSES \
-DFA=fa -DLFI=lfi -DARO=aro -DOL=ol -DASC=asc -DTEXT=txt -DUSE_HDF5
```

```
SYSLIBS= $(LD_SYS01) \
$(LD_LANG01) $(LD_LANG02) $(LD_LANG03) $(LD_LANG04) $(LD_MPI01) \
$(GRIB_API_LIB) \
$(NETCDF_LIB) $(HDF5_LIB)
```

```
INCLDIRS=$(GRIB_API_INCLUDE) $(NETCDF_INC) $(HDF5_INC)
```

```
EXTMODS=grib_api,netcdf,hdf5,ifport
```

Radar2bufr



```
# Input radar data
RADARECFS=ec:/smb/radardata
```

```
for COUNTRY in SE NO ; do
  case $COUNTRY in
    SE)
      # Just copy the files to the workdirectory since we read
      # the HDF5-files directly

      if [ -s $RADARECFS/$COUNTRY/*${DATE}T${HH}*.h5 ] ; then
        for RADARFILE in `ls $RADARECFS/$COUNTRY/*${DATE}T${HH}*.h5` ; do
          radarID=$( echo $(basename $RADARFILE) | cut -d "_" -f1 )

          if [ $radarID = seang ] ; then
            myWMOID=02606
            cp $RADARFILE $WRK/radarbufr/${myWMOID}_zh.h5
          elif [ $radarID = sease ] ; then
            myWMOID=02588
            cp $RADARFILE $WRK/radarbufr/${myWMOID}_zh.h5
          fi
        done
      else
        touch $WRK/radarbufr/00000_zh.h5
      fi
    ;;
  ;;
```

```
MET)
# Just copy the files to the workdirectory since they are
# already converted to mf-bufr

if [ -s $RADARECFS/$COUNTRY/*_${DATE}${HH}*.bfr.gz ] ; then
  for RADARFILE in `ls $RADARECFS/$COUNTRY/*_${DATE}${HH}*.bfr.gz`; do
    myDATATYPE=$( echo $(basename $RADARFILE) | cut -d "_" -f2 )
    myWMOID=$( echo $(basename $RADARFILE) | cut -d "_" -f1 )
    if [ $myDATATYPE == "vr" ]; then
      cp $RADARFILE $WRK/radarbufr/${myWMOID}_vr.bfr.gz
    elif [ $myDATATYPE == "dbz" ]; then
      cp $RADARFILE $WRK/radarbufr/${myWMOID}_zh.bfr.gz
    else
      echo "Unknown datatype: $myDATATYPE"
      exit 1
    fi
  done
  gunzip $WRK/radarbufr/*.gz
else
  touch $WRK/radarbufr/00000_zh.bfr
fi
;;
```