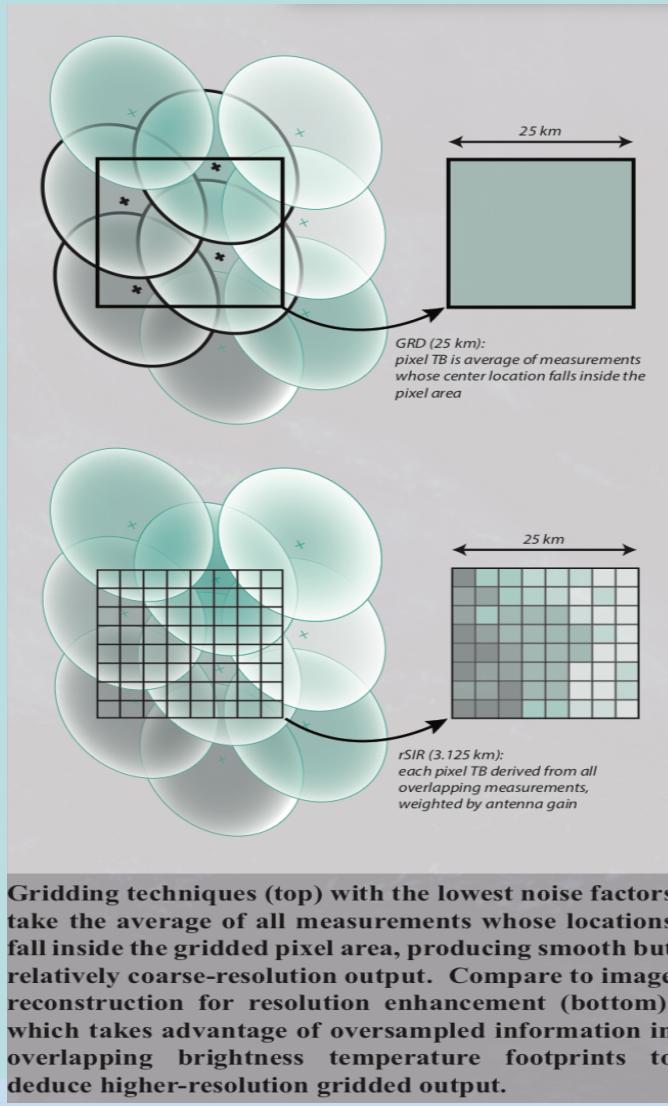


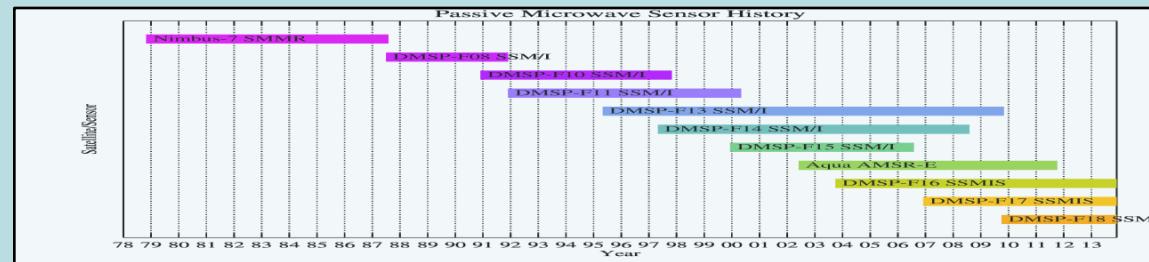
CETB: Calibrated Enhanced-Resolution Brightness Temperatures: NSIDC-0630



Investigators:

M. J. Brodzik, NSIDC

D. G. Long, BYU



We have produced an improved, enhanced-resolution, gridded passive microwave ESDR for monitoring cryospheric and hydrologic time series

Full record includes SMMR, all SSM/I-SSMIS and AMSR-E

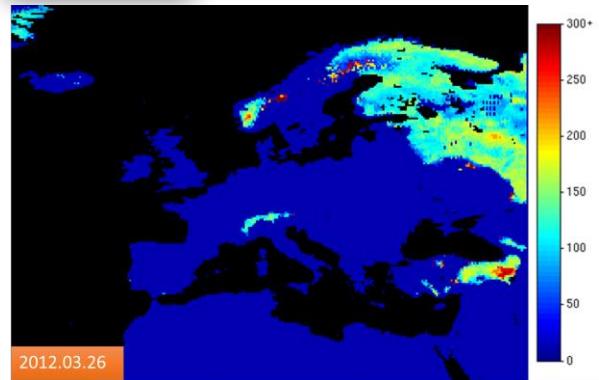
Enhance gridded resolution to as much as ~3 km (channel-specific)

EASE-Grid 2.0

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H13-SWE product retrieved from SSMI/S since 2012....

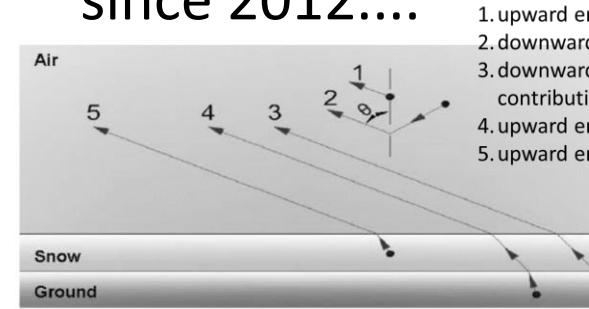
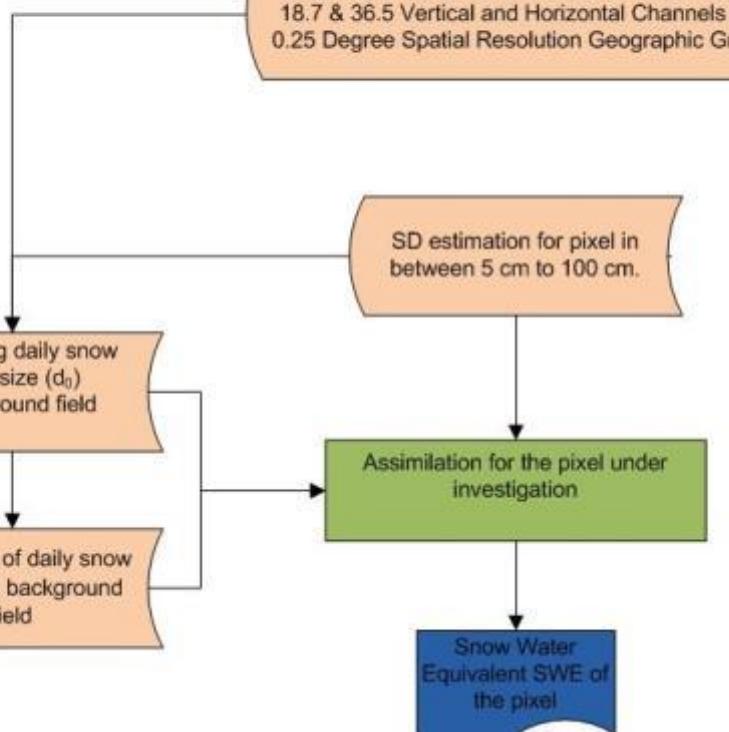


The Helsinki University of Technology (HUT) snow emission model (Pulliaisen et al., 1999) is a semiempirical approach that has been successfully used to simulate TB of single layer snowpacks.

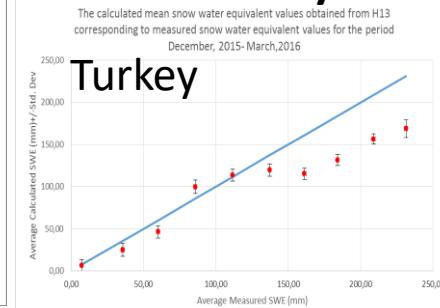
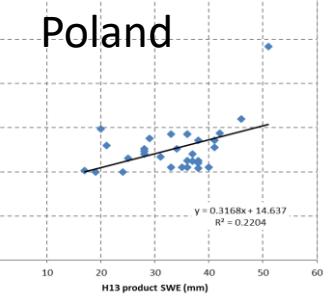
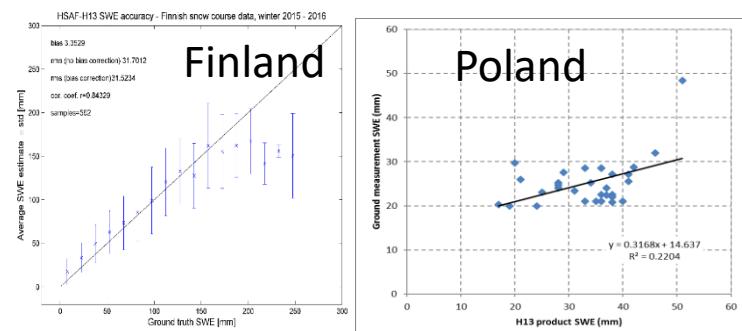
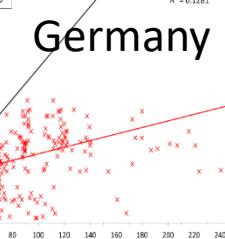
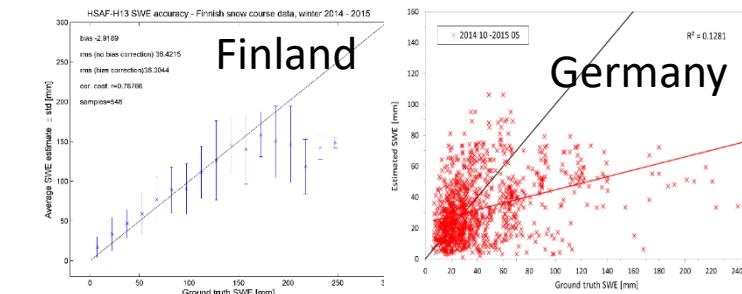
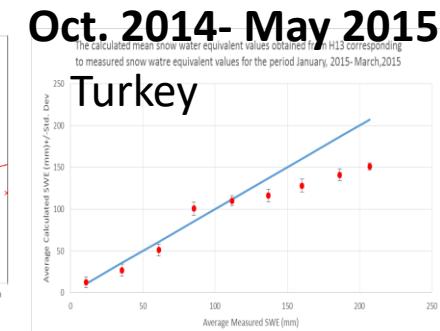
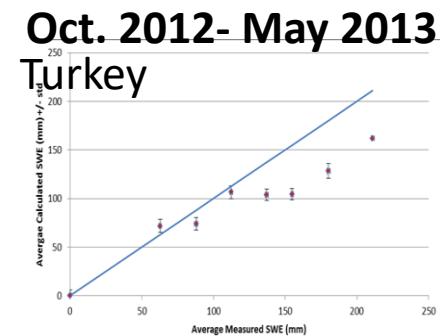
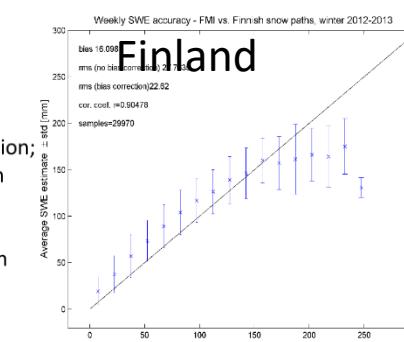
$$\frac{SD}{\Delta T_b} = ae^{-b(d_0)}$$

$$K_e = 0.08 f^{1.75} d_o^{1.8}$$

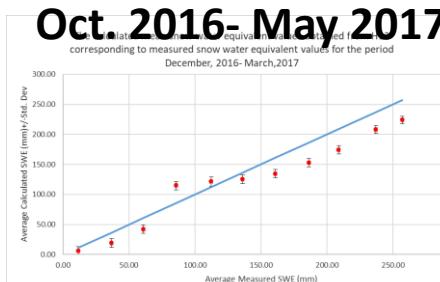
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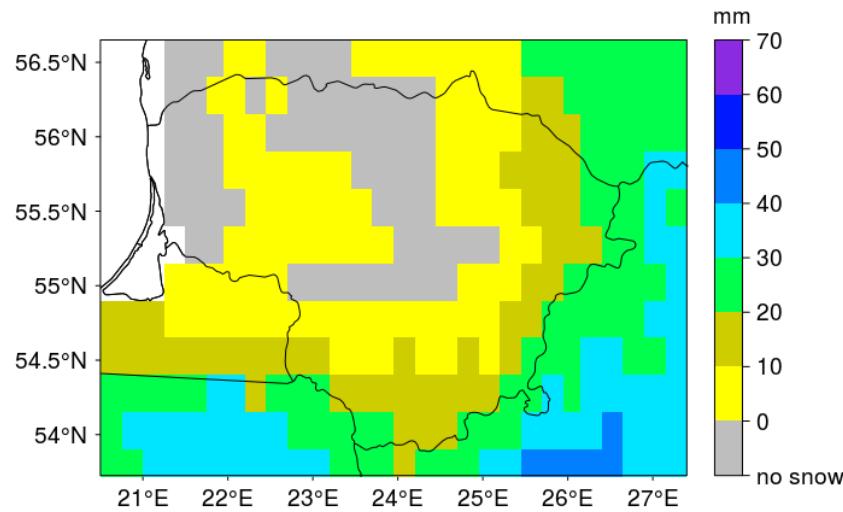
1. upward emitted atmospheric radiation;
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3. downward emitted reflected snowpack emission contribution;
4. upward emitted soil emission contribution;
5. upward emitted snowpack emission contribution



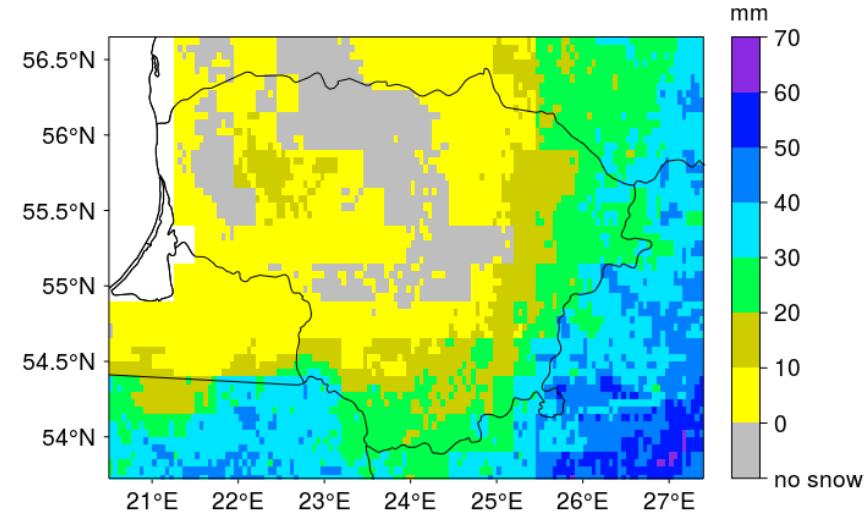
Product requirements				H13
area	threshold	target	optimal	total
flat	40mm	20mm	10mm	40 mm
mountain	45mm	25mm	15mm	45 mm



SWE retrievals from AMSR-E microwave radiometer



HSAF SWE product, $0.25^\circ \times 0.25^\circ$, 2017-02-10



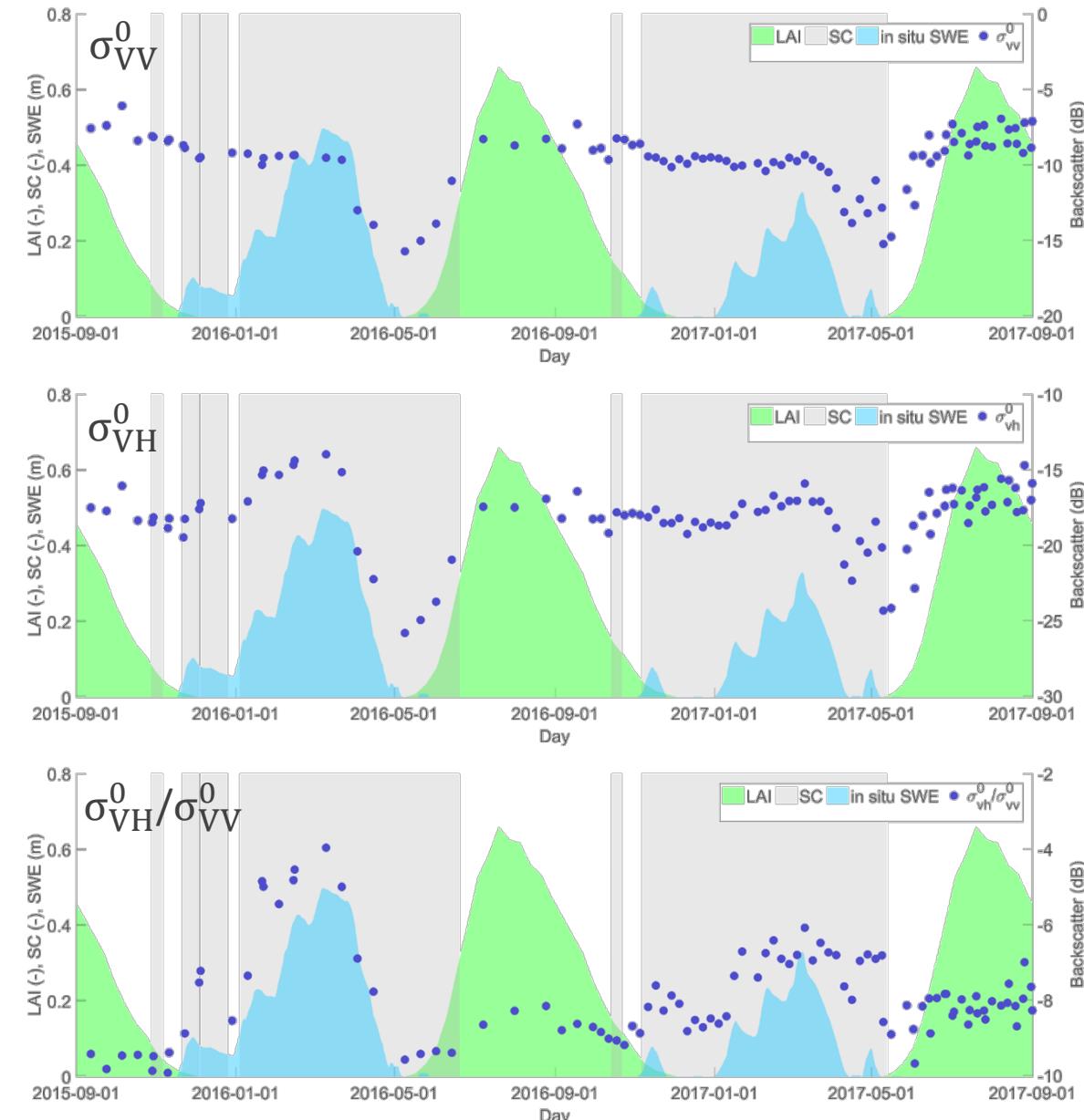
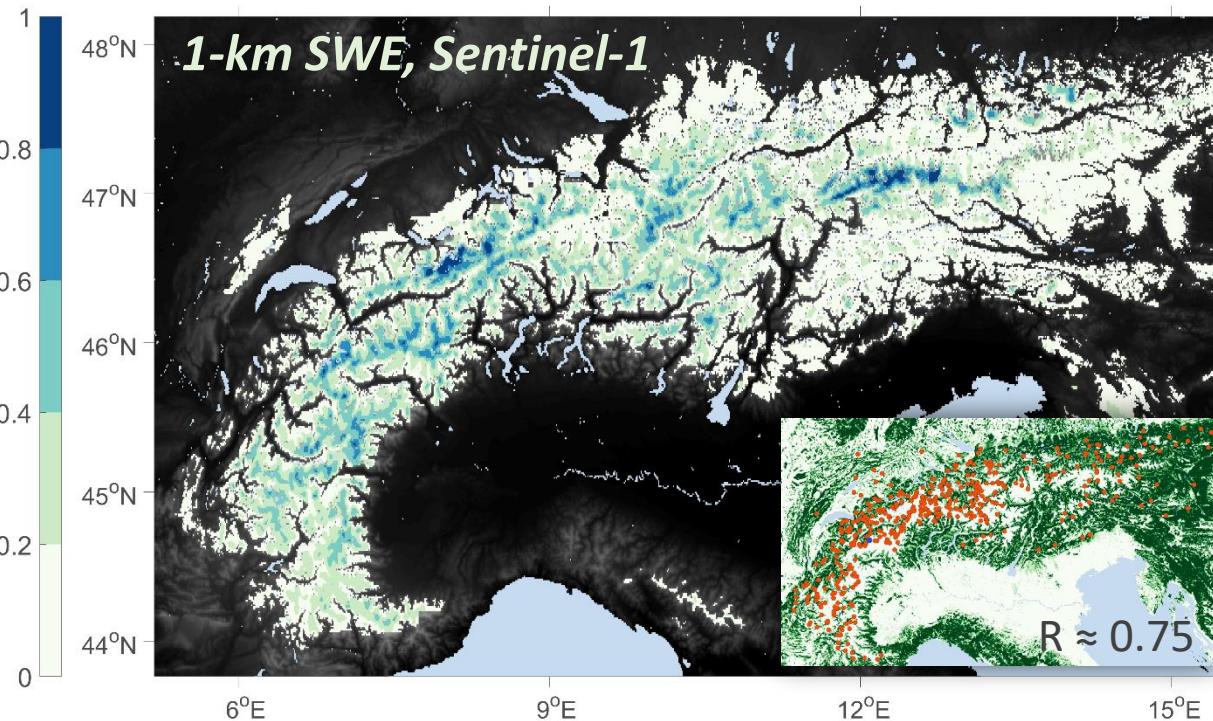
Downscaled SWE product using neural network, $0.05^\circ \times 0.05^\circ$



- I am familiar with HUT model.
- I want to know more about SMRT, DMRT, MEMLS models.
- Radiative transfer models vs artificial neural networks.

Snow Water Equivalent Remote Sensing

Hans Lievens, Ghent University



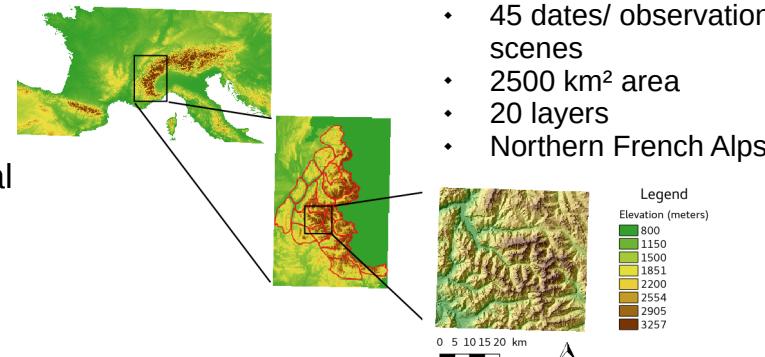
1. Support observed C-band sensitivity to SWE with SMRT
 - Impact of snow grain size, density, stratigraphy
 - Impact of vegetation
2. Compare SWE sensitivities btw active and passive RS, and btw frequencies (from C to Ka bands)
 - Couple SMRT with a Land Surface Model to forward predict and assimilate RS observations

Contributions of SAR observations from Sentinel-1 to study snowpack physical properties in Alpine regions

Veyssi  re Ga  lle, M  t  o-France Snow Research Center

PhD objective : Assimilation of Sentinel-1 SAR data over the french mountainous areas into the snowpack model Crocus

- Sentinel-1's C-band :
 - Relevant to study the wet snow evolution
 - Snow liquid water content : significant for the avalanche forecast
 - Continuity of Sentinel-1 observations \Rightarrow opportunity to consider operational assimilation
- To understand and to simulate the impact of snow properties on the microwave signal
- Evaluation of the microwave signal simulations against Sentinel-1's data
- To develop a relevant data assimilation method to assimilate Sentinel-1 data



Remote sensing observations : backscatter signal σ_0

\rightarrow Not a direct measure of the snow properties

Model area (layered snowpack/ ISBA-Crocus
Vionnet et al., 2012)

T, snowdepth, grain size,
density, SWE, ...

Model equivalent to
observations

Sentinel-1's SAR observations

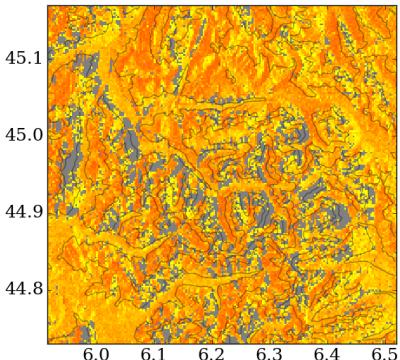
Observations

Radiative transfer model : **MEMLS**

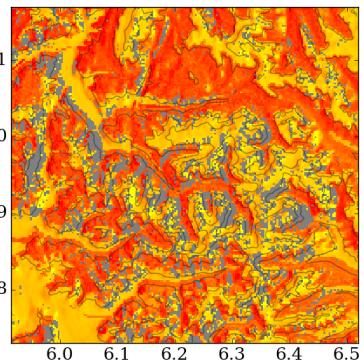
(Wiesmann and M  tzler, 1999 ; Proksch et al., 2015)

Some results...

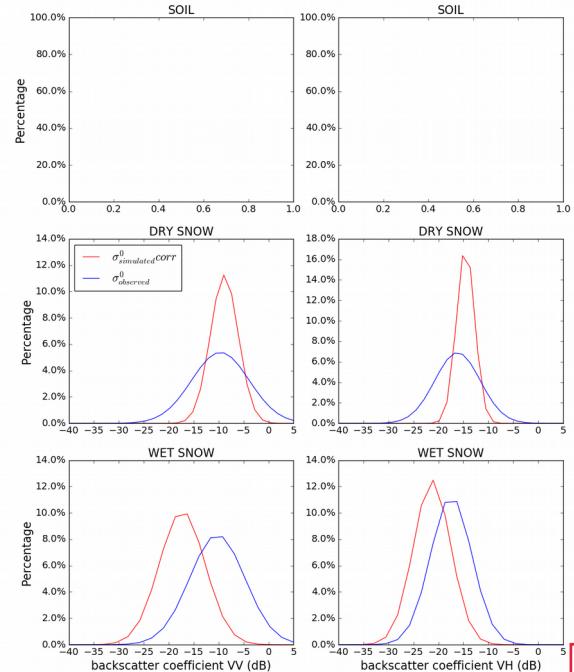
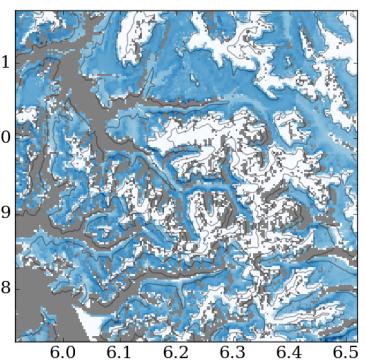
Obs/ pol VV



Sim/ pol VV



Crocus liquid water content



Scientific Question:

How the melt/refreeze cycles in snowpack should be treated in microwave modeling?

How microwave modeling should help:

- Microwave modeling may have a component which should describe physical behavior of melt/refreeze cycles in snowpack under various conditions such as
 - amount of snowpack (depth of snowpack)
 - different type of ground (-soil type)
 - forested areas (are melt /freeze cycles same with or without forest)
 - etc.

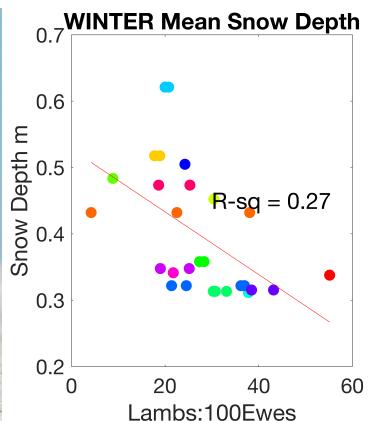
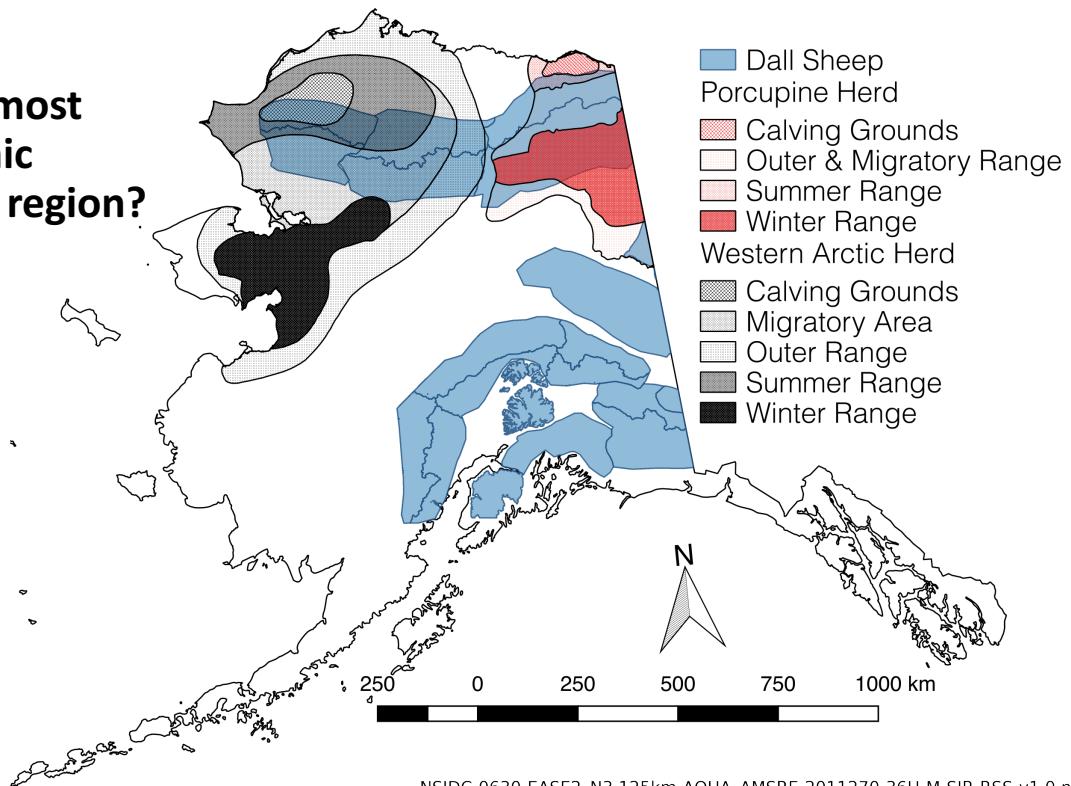
Mapping and Characterizing Arctic Boreal Wildlife-relevant Snow Conditions



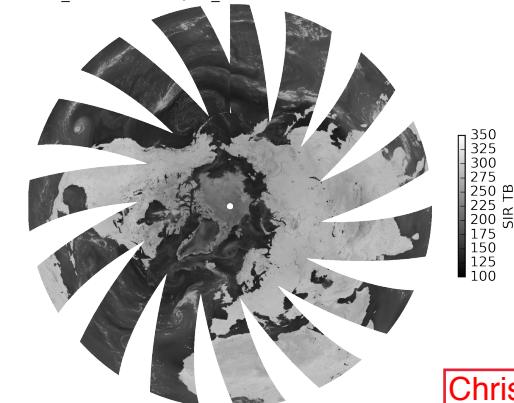
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Arctic - Boreal Vulnerability Experiment
ABoVE

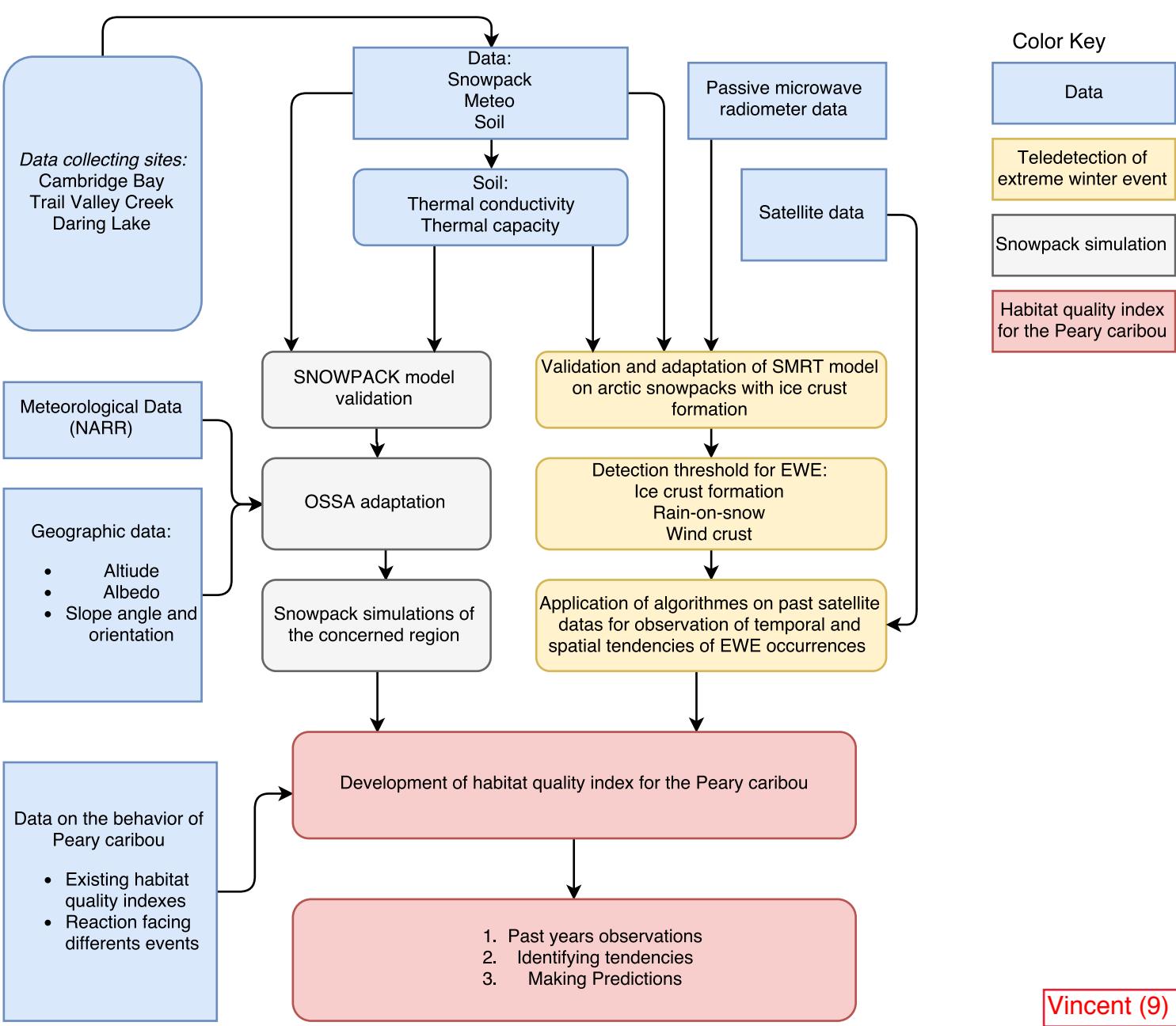
What combinations of snow metrics are most relevant to understanding success of iconic ungulate populations in the Arctic Boreal region?



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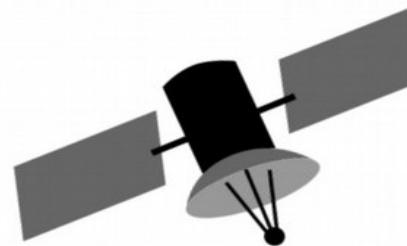
What is the thermal structure of deep Antarctic ice?

Olivier Passalacqua¹, Ghislain Picard¹, Catherine Ritz¹, Marion Leduc-Leballeur²

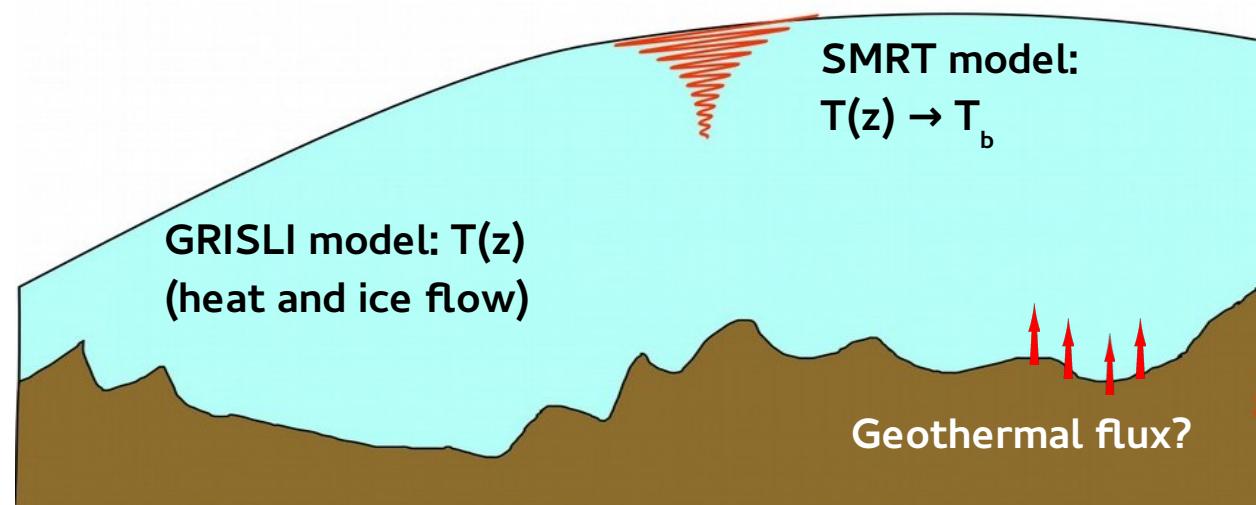
¹ Univ. Grenoble Alpes, CNRS, IRD, IGE, F-38000 Grenoble, France

² IFAC-CNR, Florence, Italy

Goal: getting constraints on the ice column temperature and geothermal flux from observations of the brightness temperature



SMOS satellite:
Microwave sensor in band L
Brightness temperature T_b

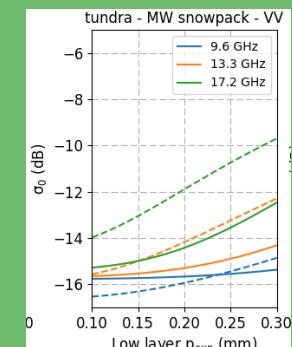


Key scientific question

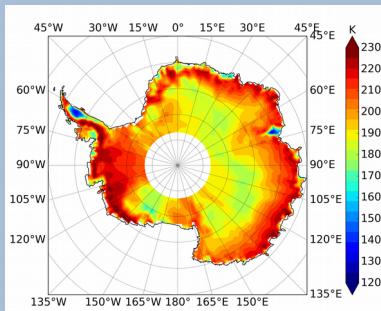
Retrieve snow properties from microwave observations
Microwave modeling helps for:

Theoretical analyses in tundra and taïga areas

- ✓ Sensitivity tests to snow grain size, snow density, SWE...
- ✓ Ku and Ka-band
- ✓ Active and Passive
- ✓ SnowConcepts and SCADAS ESA projects
lead by J. Lemmetyinen, FMI, Finland



Interpretation of satellite observations in Antarctica



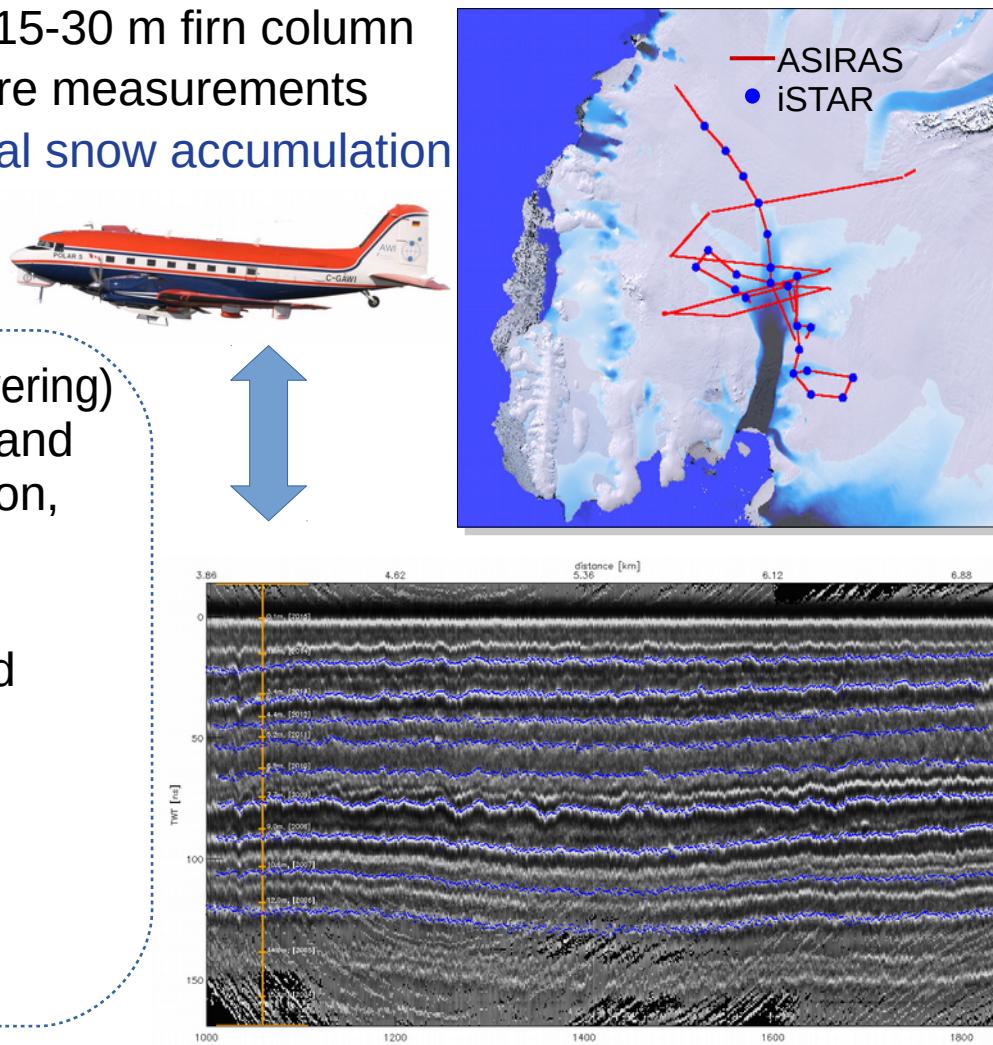
- ✓ Ice-sheet temperature, melting detection along the coast
- ✓ Passive radiometers
- ✓ SMOS, AMSR-E...
- ✓ CryoSMOS ESA project (leads by G. Macelloni, IFAC-CNR, Italia)
+ collaboration IGE, Grenoble, France

My project background:

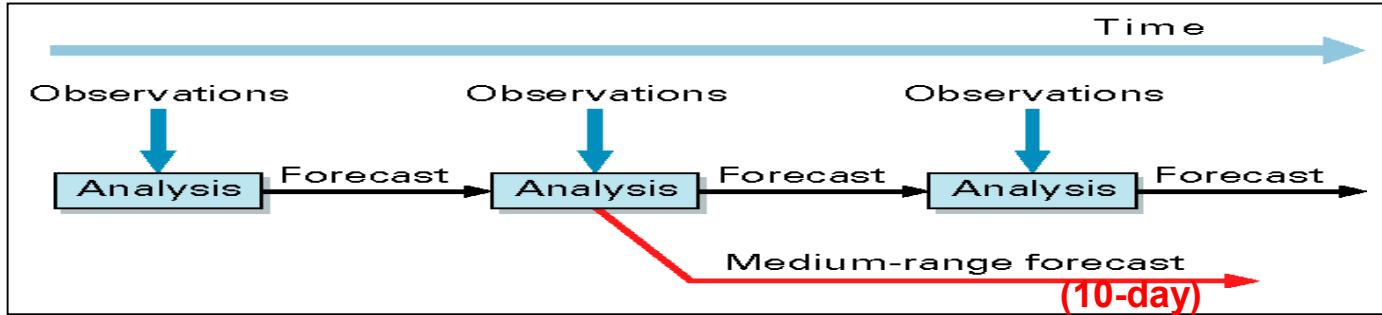
- **ASIRAS** (Airborne SAR / Interferometric Radar Altimeter System)
- operated during the **iSTAR campaign** (NERC/BAS) at **Pine Island (PIG)**, West Antarctica
- resolving the internal stratigraphy of the upper 15-30 m firn column
 - calibrating ASIRAS soundings with iSTAR core measurements
 - studying the tempo-spatial variability of annual snow accumulation

Ongoing challenges:

- **complex stratigraphy** at PIG (interseasonal layering)
- varying response between ASIRAS soundings and co-located iSTAR proxies (i.e. density modulation, photochemical tracers)
 - simply a statistical problem? (i.e. single point measurement vs. horizontally integrated radar soundings)
 - varying physical radar response function?
 - ... or both?
 - ➔ potential contribution of modelling the radar return from iSTAR core profiles

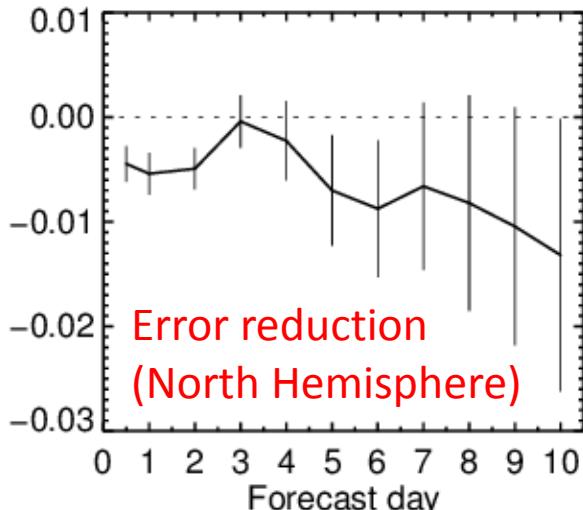


Snow Data Assimilation for Numerical Weather Prediction



- **Forecast Model:** GCM including the H-TESSEL land surface model (coupled)
- **Data Assimilation** → initial conditions of the forecast model prognostic variables
 - 4D-Var for atmosphere and Land Data Assimilation System (LDAS)

IMS snow cover impact on near surface air temperature forecasts



Objective:

- Use of level 1 satellite data to analyse SWE and snow emissivity for the benefit of 4D-Var and LDAS
- Coupled 4D-Var and LDAS to enhance consistency between land and atmospheric initial conditions

...in charge of

- Maintenance of operational programs, and research on surface analysis for data assimilation.
- This includes Snow, Screen Level (T2m, Rh2m), Soil Moisture and Sea Surface Temperature analysis.

Why using SMRT ?

No satellite data presently used in snow analysis except for external data sources (IMS snow mask, afwa snow depth) which are used over data sparse regions in the northern hemisphere.

Use of microwave satellite data for snow analysis in future.

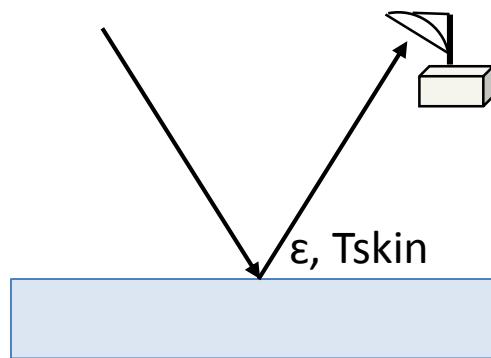
- Training required to gain expertise in microwave forwards modelling for use in snow analysis.
- Preparation of snow models to provide physical parameters required for radiative transfer modeling.
- Get overview about existing packages and practical use.

Snow and ice interfaces for NWP satellite atmospheric radiative transfer

Alan Geer

Now: dynamic emissivity retrieval

- specular reflection assumption



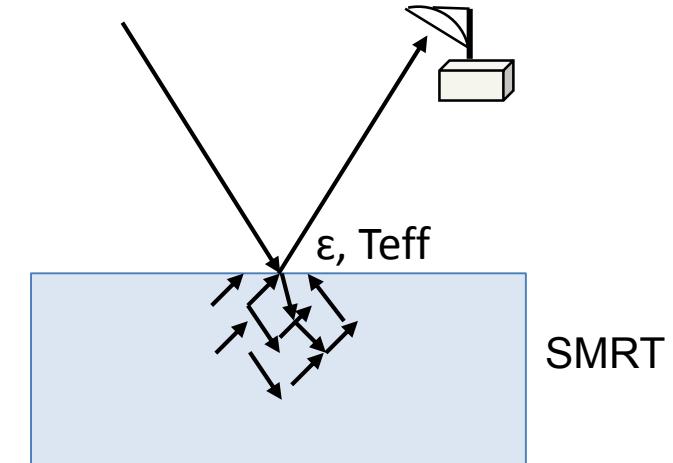
Stage 1: dynamic emissivity retrieval

- Lambertian reflection assumption
- PC-constrained frequency dependence
- Inform / constrain with SMRT?



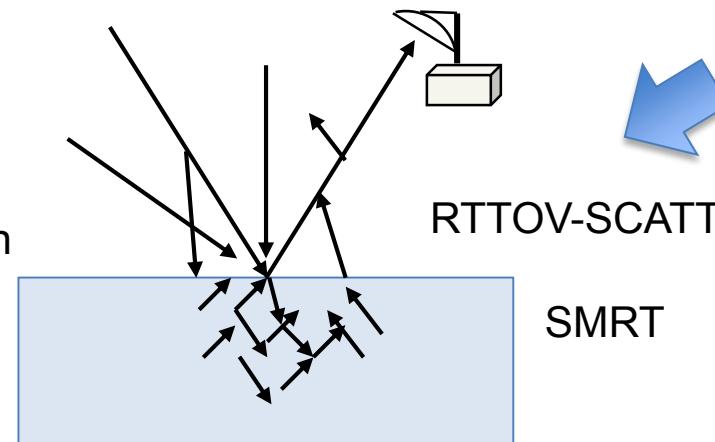
Stage 2: physically modelled simple interface

- Coupling through ϵ, T_{eff} ?



Stage 3: coupled snow/ice and scattering atmosphere

- Coupling through BRDF?
- Simultaneous scattering solution (e.g. Simultaneous DISORT through atmosphere and snow/ice?)



Constraining the hydrological cycle at northern latitudes using soil moisture and snow observations

Name: Jostein Blyverket

PhD-student at the Norwegian Institute
for Air Research and the University of
Bergen.

Working on:
Land surface data assimilation at
northern latitudes.

Goal for SMRT model use:
Constrain the hydrological
cycle at northern latitudes using
snow and soil moisture observations.



Norsk institutt for luftforskning
Norwegian Institute for Air Research

Approach:

SURFEX land surface model, ISBA-DF
(soil moisture) and 3-L snow scheme.

Data assimilation (Ensemble Kalman
Filter).

Community Microwave Emission Model
for soil moisture Tb and SMRT for
snow properties.

Near term goals:

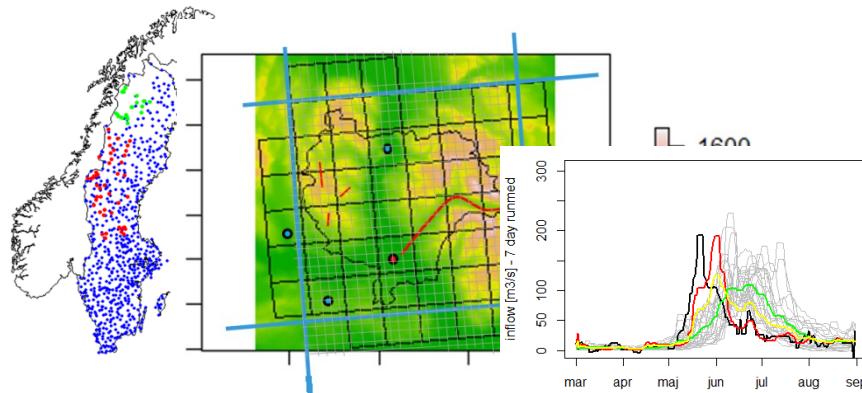
Learn about snow microwave
modelling.

Include SMRT for the winter
season in the NILU land data
assimilation system.

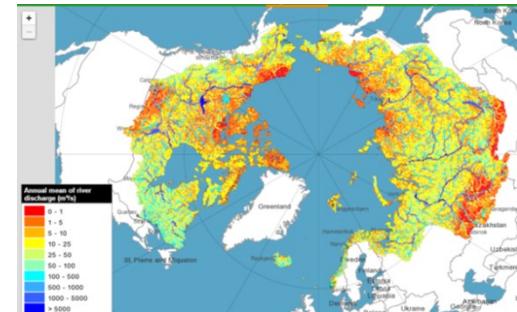


Snow models for all - with a little help of SMRT?

- Snow water equivalent => runoff volume for hydropower (hydrological models)
- Snow extent, depth and density => land surface heat exchange (nwp, climate models)
- Snow structure => snow conditions for reindeer grazing (dedicated snow models)
- Assimilation of in-situ and satellite based observations of snow, ice, runoff, frost



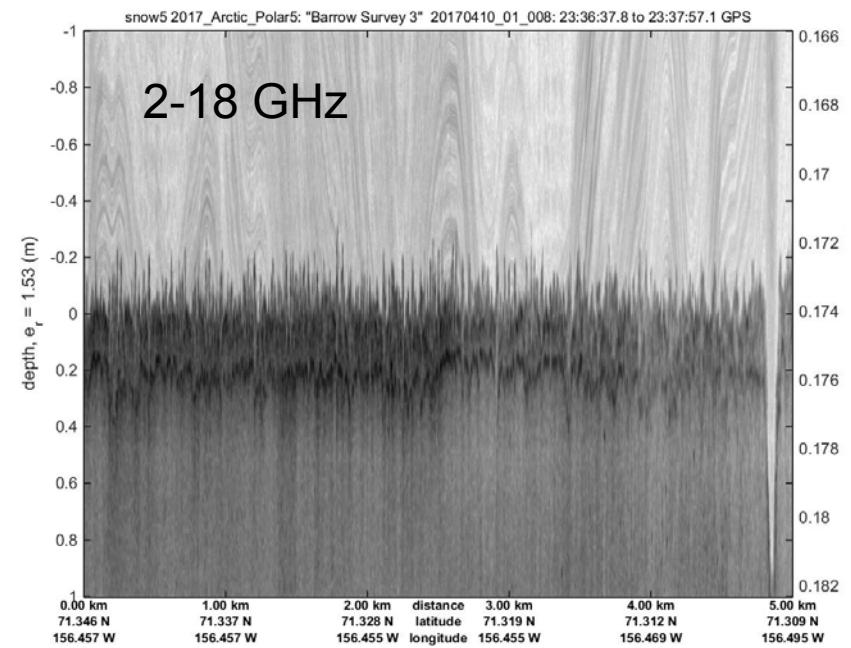
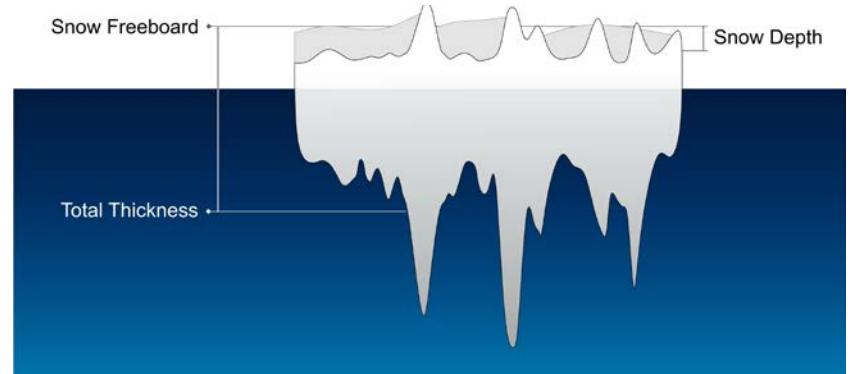
Sweden – hydropower, nwp,
reindeers



Arctic – climate impacts,
hydrological regimes, permafrost,
flow to ocean

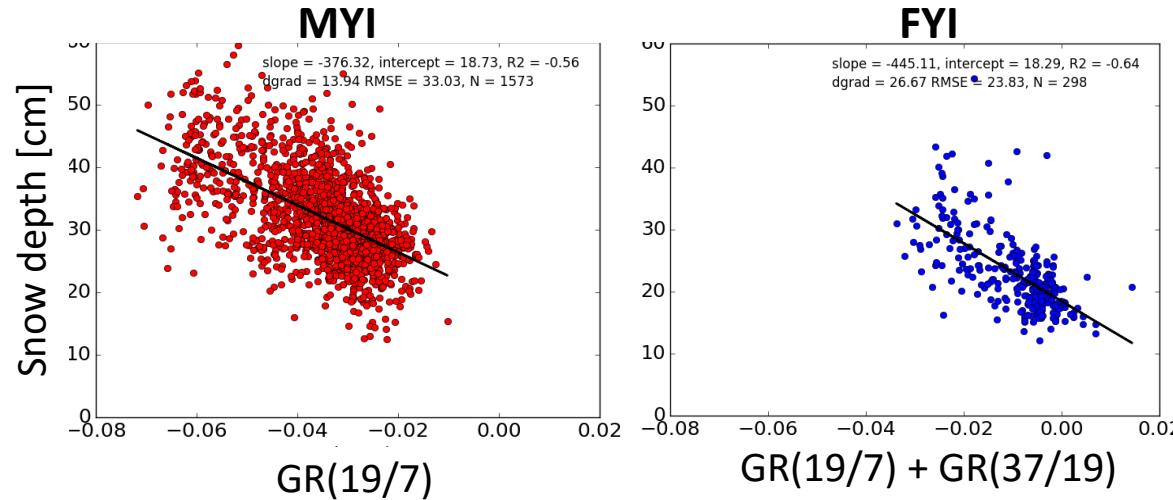
Lightning talk | Arttu Jutila

- Newcomer PhD student at AWI Sea Ice Physics
 - Preliminary overarching topic:
“Microwave radar remote sensing of snow on sea ice”
 - I'm here to find out if/how the SMRT model could help me to understand snow-microwave interactions in active microwave radar signals
 - One of the ultimate goals is to derive snow depth



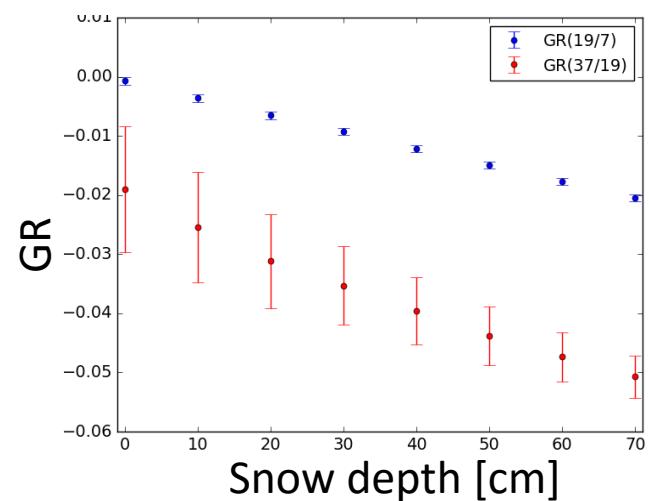
“Snow Depth on Arctic Sea ice from Passive Microwave Radiometers”

- Satellite brightness temperatures vs OIB snow depth



- New study: use detailed in-situ snow and ice observations (N-ICE2015)
- How can the detailed measurements be used to improve the snow depth retrieval?

- Monte-carlo simulation over MYI using MEMLS-seaice
- Model underestimates influence of the MYI



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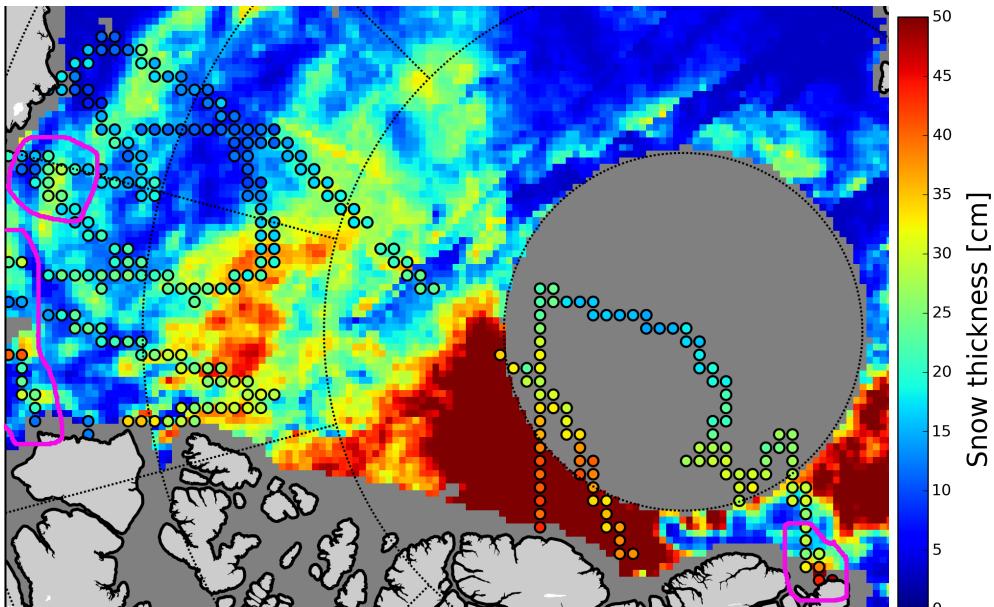
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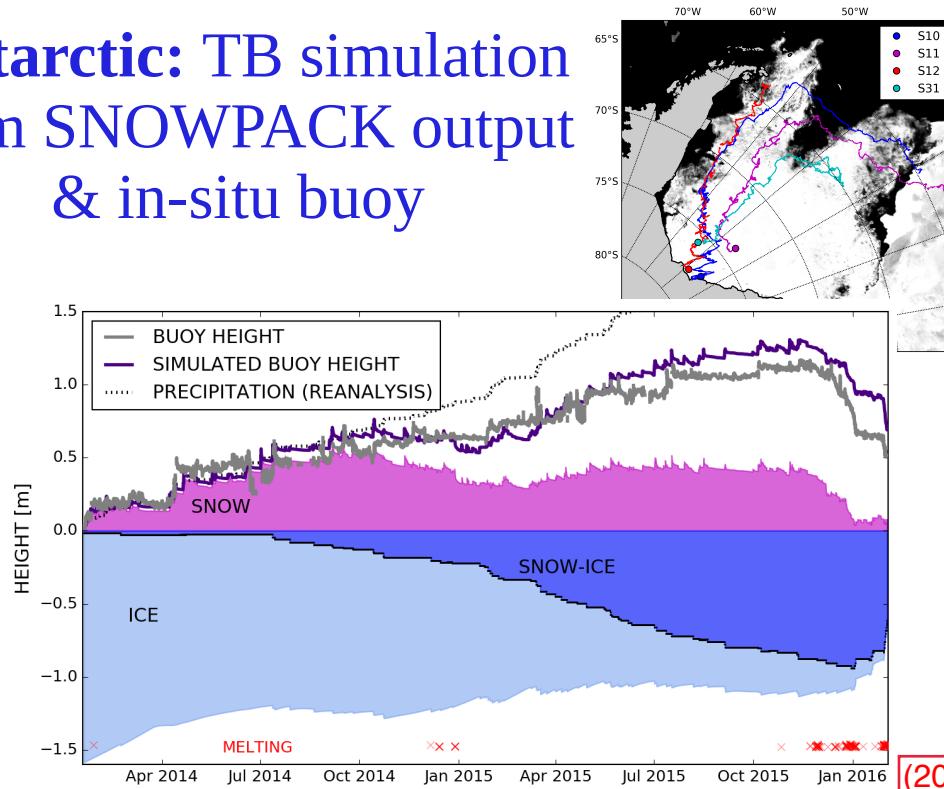


- **What?** Satellite retrieval of ice and **snow thickness** using **SMOS L-band** (1.4GHz) brightness temperatures at horizontal & vertical polarization
- **How?** Radiative transfer model for air – snow (1 layer) – ice (several layers) – water. Scattering neglected for L-band.
Input: Snow and ice layer thicknesses, temperatures T & permittivities ϵ (depends on brine volume fraction (calculated from T & salinity S) for ice / density & T for snow); water T & ϵ (depends on T & S)

Arctic: SMOS map & Icebridge airborne d_snow



Antarctic: TB simulation from SNOWPACK output & in-situ buoy



Ice thickness retrieval and sensitivity analysis

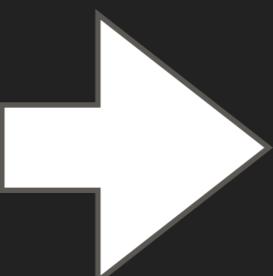
Generate vertical salinity profile

input parameter
 $(S(z), T, \rho, d_i\dots)$

existing multilayer model at 1.4 GHz

• Sensitivity analysis

→ retrieve d in multilayer model



model across broader frequency spectrum

0.5GHz
ice thickness & salinity

1.4 GHz
snow & thin ice thickness

4GHz
ice concentration, ice & sea surface Temp.

- Expand applied frequency spectrum for permittivity and emissivity
- Sensitivity analysis
 - Simultaneous retrieval of key parameters

evaluation against field measurements

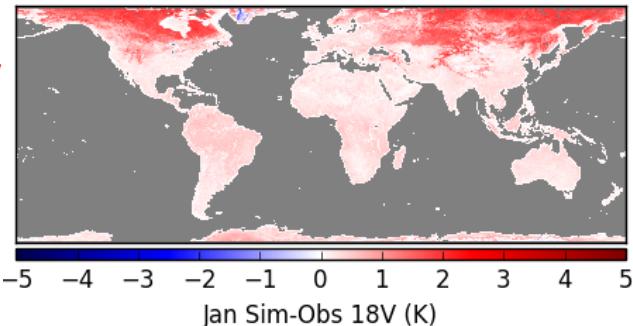
SMRT in support of precip retrievals?

Ludo Brucker

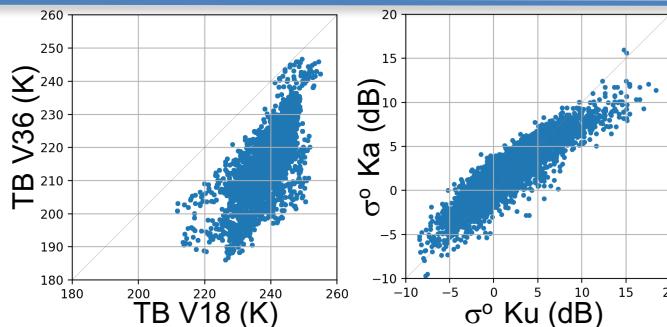
Context & Objective

- To improve satellite retrievals of precipitation (rain- & snowfall)
- Land cover information is required by the algorithm
- To offer details on background emission and backscattering
- Can we do better by considering simultaneous observations of TB and σ^0 ?

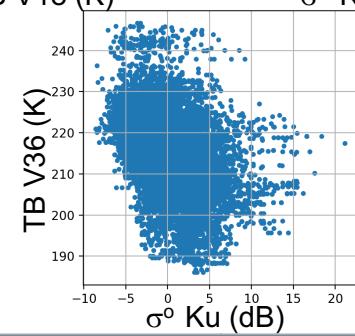
Issues over snow



Observations



Collocated TB and σ^0 from one swath in March 2017 over NH snow-covered land.



Global Precipitation Measurement (GPM)



- Since spring 2014
- Microwave Radiometers (10, 18, 23, 36, 89, 165, 183 GHz)
- Dual Frequency Radars (Ku & Ka, 13.6 & 35.5 GHz)
- Non-Sun-synchronous orbit

How SMRT could be used right away?

- If we know the TB at several frequencies, do we know σ^0 ?
- Identify realistic ensembles of $\{\text{TB}, \sigma^0\}$ with Monte Carlo simulations
- Help us define better snow classifications designed for the precipitation retrievals