Assimilation of IASI reconstructed radiances from Principal Components in AROME model

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Why Principal Components Analysis (PCA) compression?

- Use PCs instead of Radiances (RAD) => Use more information from each observation
- > Data from future Infrared sounders will be disseminated in this format
- Reduction of data dissemination volume by a factor around 50 (IASI case)



Basic ideas about PCA theory

- PCA allows the reduction of the dimensionality of a problem by examining the linear relationship between all the variables contained in a multivariate dataset
- ► The original set of correlated variables, *y*^{obs}, is replaced a smaller number of uncorrelated variables called principal components, *x*^{pcs}. *A* corresponds with the eigenvectors matrix:

$$x^{pcs} = A * y^{obs}$$

To return to the original space it is only need to make the following multiplication:

$$y^{pcs} = A^T * x^{pcs}$$

These new variables retain most of the information contained in the original dataset (most of the gaussian noise is filtered):

$$y^{obs} = A * x^{pcs} + residuals = y^{pcs} + residuals$$



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 \Rightarrow In April 2015, a new version became operational:

	AROME	AROME-HR
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Assim. cycle	3 h	1h
Levels	60	90
Model top	1 hPa	10 hPa







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Standard deviation of PCs-RAD radiances differences



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AROME-HR reduced version

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Time window: 20150616 to 20150716







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Thank you for your attention

