



#### THE EUSTACE PROJECT: DELIVERING **GLOBAL, DAILY INFORMATION ON** SURFACE AIR TEMPERATURE NICK RAYNER, EUSTACE SCIENCE COORDINATOR AND THE EUSTACE PROJECT TEAM EMS CONFERENCE 6<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2018



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### **EUSTACE AIMS**



EUSTACE will give publicly available daily estimates of surface air temperature since 1850 across the globe for the first time by combining surface and satellite data using novel statistical techniques. To do this, we need to:

- <u>Identify non-climatic discontinuities</u> in daily weather station data, so users can trust the changes our records show
- Produce <u>consistent uncertainty estimates</u> for satellite skin temperature retrievals over all surfaces (land, ocean and ice), so we know how far to trust the estimates everywhere
- Understand how surface temperature measured in situ and by satellite relates, to estimate air from skin temperature
- Estimate values in areas <u>where we have no *in situ* or satellite</u> <u>data</u>, so users can have daily information here

### UNDERSTAND RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN AIR AND SKIN TEMPERATURE



From Merchant et al., 2013 community paper and roadmap:

http://www.geosci-instrum-method-data-syst.net/2/305/2013/gi-2-305-2013.html







#### **EUSTACE DAILY STATION DATASET**



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#### **EUSTACE DAILY STATION DATASET**



**Three** different algorithms applied to annual and semi-annual averages of differences between candidate and reference series

**Absolute** test when reference stations not available or insufficient

Applied to:

$$T_{max}$$
,  $T_{min}$ ,  $T_{avg} = (T_{max} + T_{min}) / 2$  and

$$DTR = T_{max} - T_{min}$$

Gives: a 48-member break point detection ensemble.



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### **EXAMPLE BREAKPOINT DETECTION**



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Brugnara et al, 2018, submitted

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Yearly standardized differences with reference series (T Avg)



Likelihood index is created from the ensemble for each detected break



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#### **EUSTACE SATELLITE OBSERVATIONS**

Land surface skin temperature data sets from ESA GlobTemperature from: MODIS and SEVIRI



Sea surface skin (SST0.2m) temperature data sets from ESA SST CCI from: the ATSR series Ice surface skin temperature observations (sea ice and ice sheets) from NACLIM: the AVHRR series, including Metop-A





## ESTIMATING CONSISTENT UNCERTAINTIES IN SATELLITE RETRIEVALS

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#### Random

- Uncertainties categorised by effects whose errors have distinct correlation properties:
  - ➤ random
  - Iocally correlated
  - ➤ (large-scale) correlated
- These are then propagated through the air temperature estimation









Locally correlated

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### VALIDATION OF LST, IST AND SST UNCERTAINTY ESTIMATES



### ESTIMATING AIR TEMPERATURE FROM SKIN TEMPERATURE





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### GLOBAL ESTIMATES OF AIR TEMPERATURE FROM SATELLITE SKIN TEMPERATURE

- Separate regression estimates over land, ocean and ice - a global picture of air temperature based on the satellite measurements. Files include:
  - A main surface air temperature file per day per surface type (land, ocean, ice)
  - Total uncertainty budget per grid box and so uncertainty is consistently expressed for all surface types
  - Also an ancillary file per day per surface type which contains more detailed uncertainty information.







# INFILLED ANALYSIS: AIMS

The desirable properties for analysis depend on the application, and sometimes there is a trade-off between different properties. We are aiming for the following:

Mathematical model for the temperature field should be easy to communicate

> Results for temperature field should have low crossvalidation error

It should be possible to see where/when temperature estimates are not well constrained by the model Where uncertainties are difficult to determine, they should overestimate the uncertainty

Statistical assumptions about the temperature field in the model should be consistent with our knowledge of the physics of the situation

> Results for uncertainty estimates should also validate well

> > Output should be in a form that is easy to use even for those without expertise in spatial statistical methods

Output should be in a form that makes it easy to retrieve uncertainty information

Data output formats should work well with commonly available software tools



### **OBSERVATION MODEL**

#### Linear error model

Daily mean air temperatures are decomposed into variability at different scales:

$$y^i = T(s^i, t^i) + \beta^i + \epsilon^i$$

Where  $\beta^i$  is a sum of observational biases affecting observation i and  $\epsilon^i$  are non-bias related observational errors.









### **TEMPERATURE MODEL**

Temperature Process Decomposition

Temperature variability is decomposed into model sub-components with defined structure in space/time:

$$T(s,t) = T^{\operatorname{clim}}(s,t) + T^{\operatorname{large}}(s,t) + T^{\operatorname{local}}(s,t)$$

T(s,t) = Temperature at space/time location (s,t) $T^{\rm clim}(s,t)$  = Climatological temperature  $T^{\rm large}(s,t)$  = Large spatial/temporal scale component  $T^{\rm local}(s,t)$  = Daily, short spatial scale component



ADVANCED STANDARD METHOD





## **TEMPERATURE MODEL**

#### Strategy for solution

Temperature variability is decomposed into model sub-components with defined structure in space/time:

$$T(s,t) = T^{\operatorname{clim}}(s,t) + T^{\operatorname{large}}(s,t) + T^{\operatorname{local}}(s,t)$$

- Each component is a Gaussian linear model (or linearised model).
- Solve each sub-component conditioned on the expected value of other sub-components.
- Refine the solutions to each sub component by iteratively re-estimating each sub-component.









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# **ANALYSIS METHOD**

#### Spatial interpolation based on the SPDE approach (Lindgren et al 2011):

- Temperatures are modelled as weighted sum of local functions.
- A Bayesian method, where variability/smoothness is controlled by a prior distribution for the weights.
- Compute the probability density function of the weights conditioned on the temperature observations.



Lindgren, F., H. Rue, J. Lindström, (2011). An explicit link between Gaussian fields and Gaussian Markov random fields: the stochastic partial differential equation approach, *Journal of the Royal* Statistical Society: Series B (Statistical Methodology), 73, 4



#### Local hyperparameter estimation

Spatial correlation length scale; magnitude of variability

#### Concept:

- Nearby locations are correlated;
- Location dependent spatial correlation;
- Location dependent variability amplitude.

#### Approach:

- Use heirachical triangulation to extract a region;
- Optimise local parameters for region;
- Plug local parameters into the global model for global solve.

Implementation is an upcoming priority.





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#### Performing the analysis







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### PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS – JAN 1 2006







#### Additionally model Tmax and Tmin via diurnal temperature range













### **EUSTACE PRODUCTS**

Product	Description	Date
Station series and E-OBS update	Global data set of daily weather station air temperature measurements (Tmax and Tmin) with non-climatic breaks identified – Station time series and gridded for Europe	Completed 2017
Satellite skin temperature retrievals	Daily satellite skin temperature estimates for all surfaces of Earth with consistent uncertainty estimates – Gridded or along satellite's track	Release 2018
Skin/air temperature relationships	Understanding of the relationship between surface skin and surface air temperature over all surfaces of Earth and in different seasons – A report on EUSTACE website	Publish 2018
Air temperature estimates from satellites	Gridded daily estimates of surface air temperature from skin temperature retrievals	Complete 2018
Globally complete air temperature fields	Globally-complete daily fields of surface air temperature over all corners of Earth since 1850 – Gridded (0.25° lat/lon) perhaps an ensemble. (Tmax and Tmin over land, Tmean elsewhere.)	Release 2019
Derived products	For example, global means and climatologies	Release 2019

## SUMMARY



- EUSTACE is producing global, daily information on surface air temperature by combining measurements made in situ with satellite retrievals
- Non-climatic breaks in global station data have been identified and removed from European station data
- Consistent estimates of uncertainty have been estimated for skin temperature retrievals
- Relationships between skin and air temperature have been used to estimate air temperature from satellite retrievals
- Statistical interpolation methods are being developed to create globally- and regionally-complete fields.
- For further information about EUSTACE, visit <u>https://www.eustaceproject.eu/</u>













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# QUESTIONS







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