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# MODELING AIRPORT AIR QUALITY AT HIGH RESOLUTION

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## Plan

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# Objective

 $\Rightarrow$  Airport Air Quality Modeling at high spatio-temporal resolution :

- 10 m resolution, 1s time step
- Create an emissions database containing aircraft + road traffic data



• Modeling the local airport meteorology: accurate vertical and horizontal winds, turbulent fluxes, the surface-atmosphere interaction (buildings)



# **Coupling ATM and meteorological models**



# **ATM Model : IESTA**

# System scale: ATM concepts



# Airport scale:

- Environmental impact,
- air quality,
- noise,
- new procedures assessment
- new technologies assessment CleanSky\_LIRF\_2020\_CS\_ground\_tracks



### ATM Model : IESTA





#### **ATM Model : Traffic data pre-treatment**

- Case study: One real day with observations at the TWR is simulated over a regional airport, with local data and observations
- Air traffic and taxiing data: Trajectories from radar stream, aircraft mass, engines







### **Atmospheric Model: Meso-NH physics**



- Scales from  $\Delta x=50$ km to 1 meter
- Time scale = a few days to 1 second or less
- Prognostic variables : wind (u,v,w), potential temperature, TKE, mixing ration,

reactive or passive tracers

- Turbulence
- Convection
- Surface interactions: energy and emissions fluxes
- Chemistry on-line scheme
- Microphysical scheme
- Radiation: ECMWF package
  - Drag force applied to buildings

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#### **Atmospheric Model: Drag force with buildings or trees**

Force opposed to the wind direction : additional term in the momentum and TKE equations:

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$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial t}|_{drag} = -C_d A_u \sqrt{U^2 + V^2}$$

where  $C_d = drag$  coefficient and A = Canopy area density, building  $C_dA = 1000$  inside buildings

•  $\frac{\partial e}{\partial t}|_{drag} = -C_d A_e \sqrt{U^2 + V^2}$  => Increased turbulence



#### **Atmospheric Model set-up**

- Initialization and lateral boundary conditions given by 2 km resolution AROME model (the French NWP)
- 3 domains in grid-nesting two ways
- Surface cover and parameters (albedo, roughness) given by Ecoclimap (derived from Corine Land Cover) database and Open Street Map data



Wind module and direction -3600s-



#### **Observations near the TWR**

Meteorological characteristics of the day of interest:

- High temperature
- Clear sky
- Light winds (<2m/s) from North-North-East







**Increase of TKE** due to buildings near the terminals => dispersion of pollutants increased



Passive scalar for NOx only

Larger scale contribution due to northern winds



#### **Observed NOx at TWR**

#### Highest NOx concentration at 7H UTC > 100 ppbv







#### **Atmospheric Model Results: Computing details**

- **High Performance Computer** Occigen (French National Computing Centre for Higher Education): 50,000 cores, 2.1Petaflops
- **Time step for the model very low** due to vertical high resolution : 1s, 1/4s and 1/8 s for the three domains respectively
- 240\*240\*120 points for the both larger domains, 450\*350\*120 points for the small scale domain
- 1 hour run = 600 cores, for a total of 38,000 CPU hours



# **Conclusion and perspectives**

The IESTA-Meso-NH coupling proved able to simulate :

- Air traffic emissions
- Pollutants dispersion
- High spatio-temporal resolution: 10 m & one second
- Using state-of-art physics model

Way Forward:

- Reactive chemistry
- Longer simulation
- Comparisons with observations

