Overview of the Nov. 17-19 Storm event

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Aims

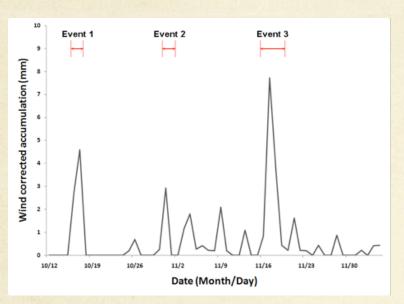
- O Collate data on this case eye for storm dynamics
- Evaluate the GEM model forecasts

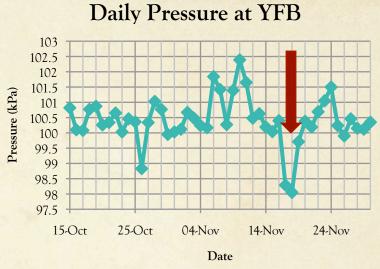
- Search for topographical influences
- O Possible sea ice connections

Talk outline

- O Synoptic overview of the event
- O Catalog of available data
- O Some model data (preliminary)
- Questions and issues to address

Impact at Iqaluit

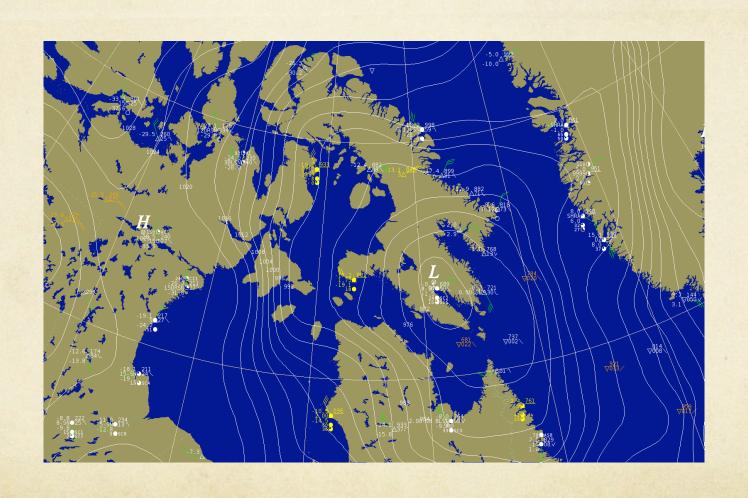


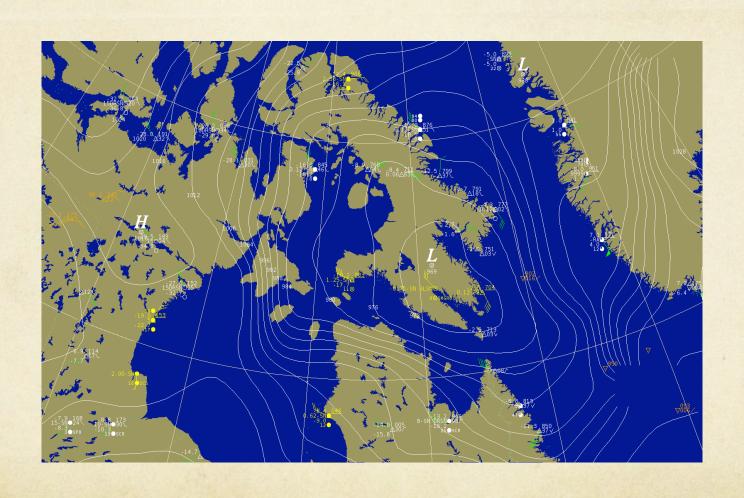


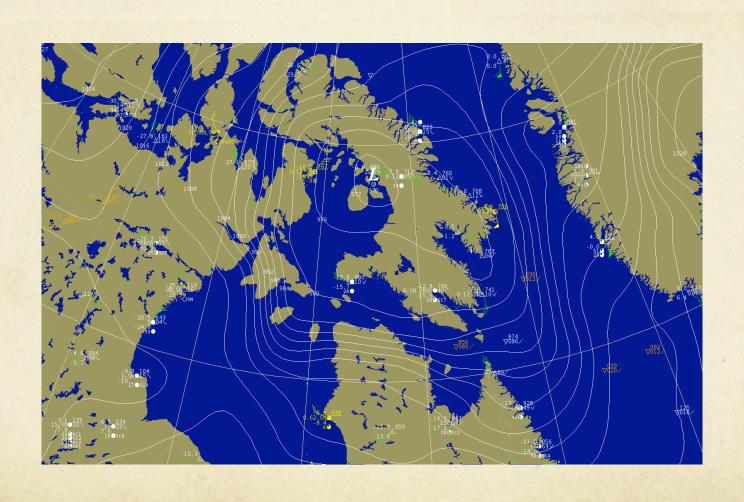
- Left: Accumulated precipitation at Iqaluit over the course of STAR
- O Right: Pressure at Iqualuit airport over the period of STAR

Synoptic view: 18 Z 17 Nov







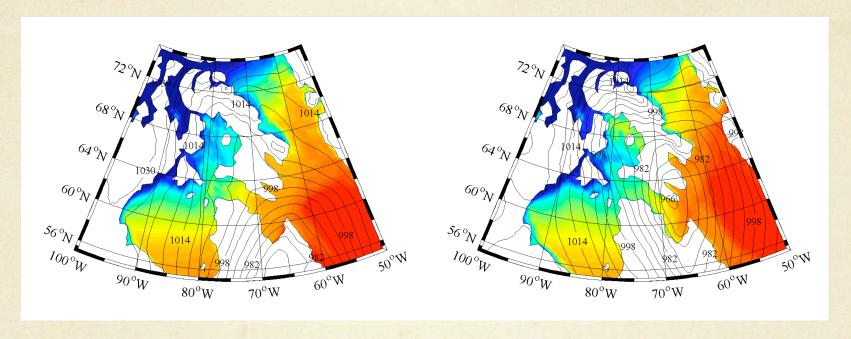




Some available data

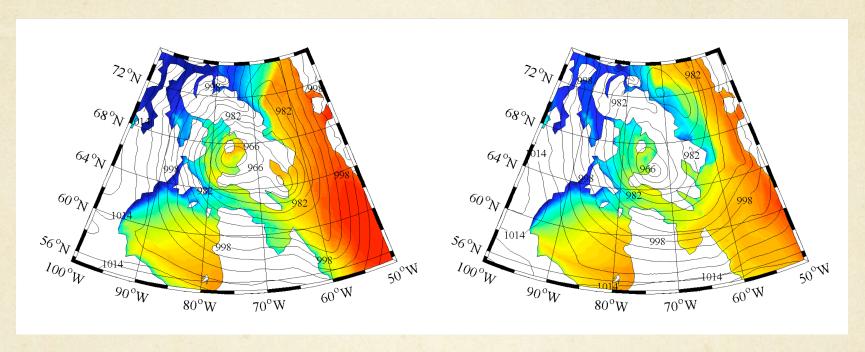
- Aircraft dropsondes
- Increased frequency of upper air soundings associated with the IOP
- Aircraft data on 18 November is collocated with CloudSat overpass
- Model data (GEM forecast, future simulations)

GEM forecast - 17 Nov



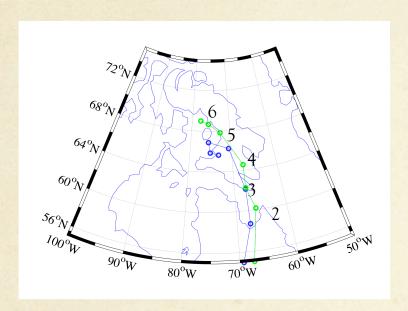
Sea level pressure (contour, hPa), 2m temperature (shaded, °C) Left: 12 Z 17 Nov. Right: 00 Z 18 Nov.

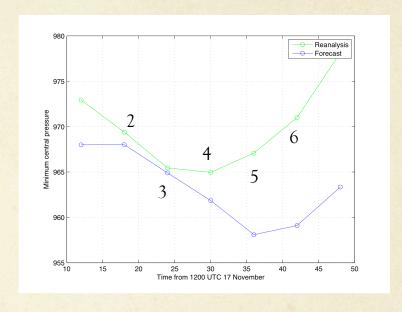
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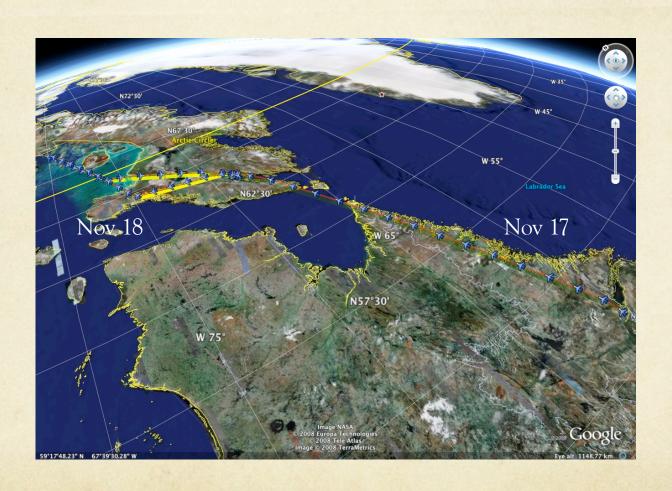
Forecast, Reanalysis



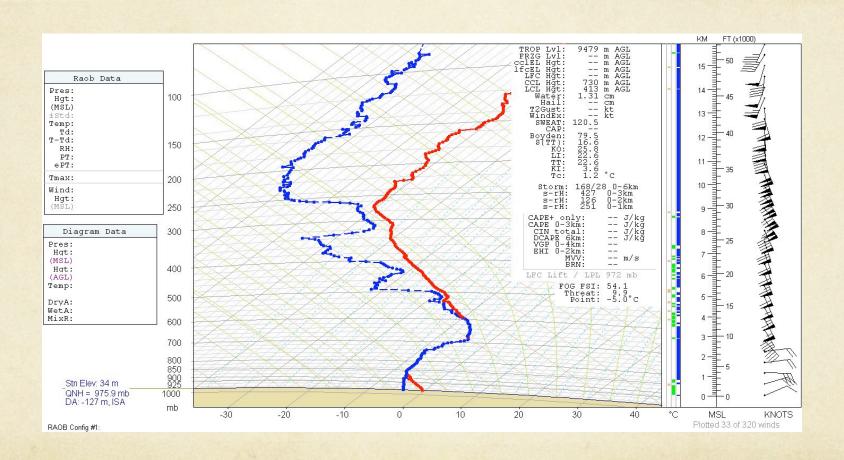


- •Left: Storm track based on the position of minimum central pressure (sea level) for NARR (green) and for GEM forecast initialized 0 Z 17 November (blue).
- •Right: Minimum central pressure (sea level) of the system over time for NARR (green) and for GEM forecast initialized 0 Z 17 November (blue).

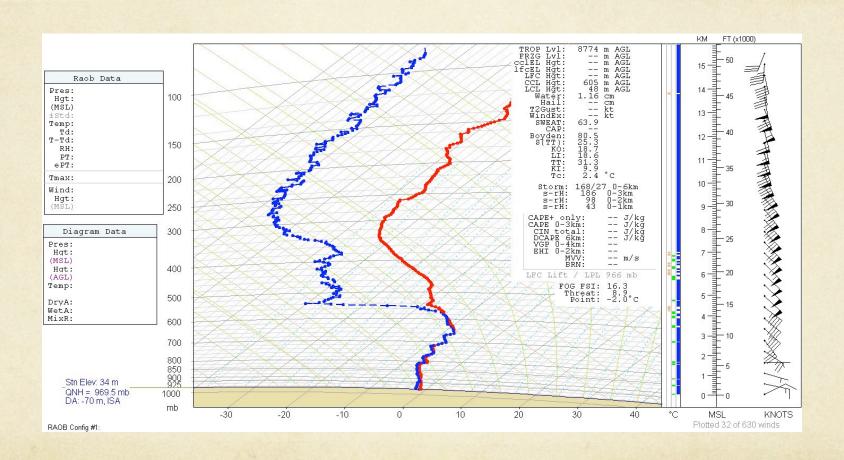
Flight tracks



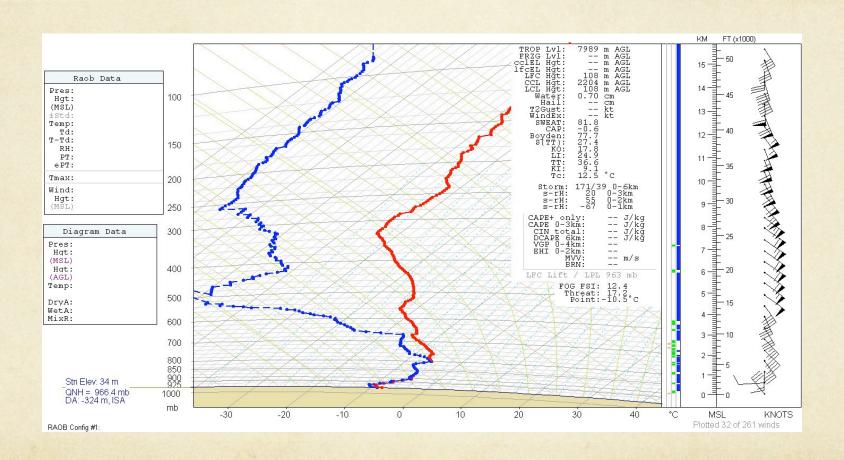
Iqaluit 21Z 17 Nov.



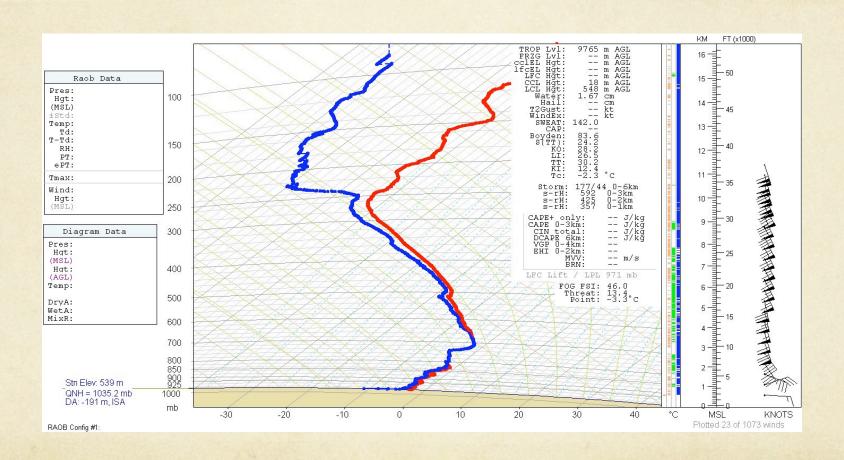
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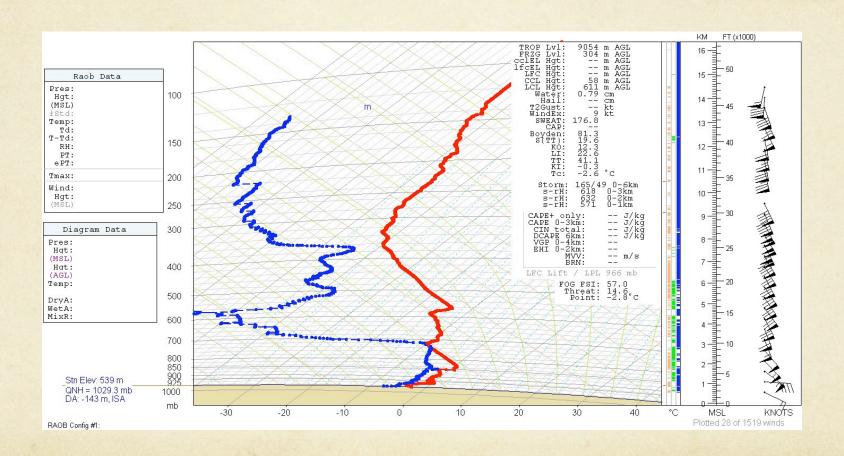
Iqaluit 03 Z 18 Nov.



Pangnirtung 00 Z 18 Nov.



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Conclusions

- Want to get closer to the truth given the wealth of available observation
- O Interesting dynamics hinted at in data analyzed so far
 - Soundings show intriguing structure
- O Synergy with other studies of the same storm
 - Opportunity to improve simulation