CANARI assimilation for the ALADIN component of GLAMEPS

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Context

- In GLAMEPS, Aladin is coupled to EuroTEPS, which uses IFS code.
- The surface schemes of ALADIN (ISBA) and IFS (Tessel) are quite different.
- Existing conversions ("901", "e927"/GL) were inadequate, although an improved conversion algorithm for soil water is being developped.
- Current solution is to use the Arpège analysis for the surface.



- All members have the same surface.
- It makes the daily GLAMEPS run dependent on two global models, running at two different centers.
- If the Arpège analysis is unavailable, some members of the ensemble may crash
 - often at te end of DFI
 - possibly due to differences in treatment of sea ice
- Recently, we added a fix to use a 12h forecast (mbr000) for the surface fields whenever the Arpège analysis is missing.

CANARI

- Do a surface assimilation for all the Aladin members individually.
- Various schemes may be considered. We chose a 6h cycle for all members separately.
- First guess is a combination of
 - 3d fields from EuroTEPS (+0h or +6h)
 - surface fields from the previous 6h forecast.
- Coupling files for the 6h cycle run are from EuroTEPS (+0h-6h or +6h-12h fc)
- Based on Harmonie script.



First tests

- GLAMEPS 0.2 test run.
- 12+1 members
- Test run 20080118-20080131 .
- Only tested for a very limited period, so no full conclusions yet.

- In the following graphs we compare the mean and spread of the 13 Aladin forecasts using the CANARI surface or the Arpège surface.
- For T2m, some regions show a significant difference which must be studied further.

T2m forecasts

T2m spread ARP 2006012600+24



T2m spread CAN 2008012600+24



T2m mean ARP 2008012600+24



T2m mean CAN 2008012600+24



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Mean T2m

Aladin mean(T2m) 2008011800+24 CAN – ARP



(abs(d) < 0.5 masked)

Aladin mean(T2m) 2008012200+24

Aladin mean(T2m) 2008012000+24 CAN – ARP



(abs(d) < 0.5 masked)



(abs(d) < 0.5 masked)

Aladin mean(T2m) 2008012600+24 CAN – ARP



(abs(d) < 0.5 masked)

Mean cumulated precipitation

Aladin mean(Prcp) 2008011800+24 CAN – ARP



(abs(d) < 0.5 masked)

Aladin mean(Prcp) 2008012200+24

Aladin mean(Prcp) 2008012000+24 CAN – ARP



(abs(d) < 0.5 masked)



(abs(d) < 0.5 masked)

Aladin mean(Prcp) 2008012600+24 CAN – ARP



(abs(d) < 0.5 masked)

T2m spread

Aladin spread(T2m) 2008011800+24 CAN - ARP



Aladin spread(T2m) 2008012000+24 CAN – ARP



Aladin spread(T2m) 2008012200+24 CAN – ARP



Aladin spread(T2m) 2008012600+24 CAN – ARP



- If we use Bayesian Model Averaging for postprocessing, we get weights for the various members.
- Weights are constant for all members from the same model (EuroTEPS, Aladin, HIRLAM_K/S).
- These weights are not really a quality score, but they do depend (for a part) on the model's performance in the previous days.
- We can compare the weights allocated to ALADIN using either CANARI or the Arpège analysis.
- We see that, for this short test period, the weights are often higher (especially 00h run), most clearly so after some days of the analysis cycle. CANARI assimilation for the ALADIN component of GLAMEPS – p. 14

Daily BMA weights (T2m)



Conclusions & Outlook

- We have added a CANARI surface analysis to the Aladin part of GLAMEPS, to replace the Arpege analysis.
- First results are encouraging.
- Some significant differences at a few regions (sea ice, Black Sea).
- Further testing & validation is needed before making the CANARI assimilation operational.
- We can then create new perturbations using DA (perturbed observations...).