Verification of ALADIN-FRANCE

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Operational verifications

- RMS error and Bias against european radiosoundings
- RMS error and Bias against french surface observations (real time measurements)
- Contingency tables for 6 hours accumulated rain over France

New verification

- QPF scores against climatological network
- Scores against Large Scale analysis (Arpège or ECMWF)
- Subjective verification of 3 hours rain forecasts against radar observations

QPF scores

WGNE specifications made for global models

- 0.5 degree in lat-lon
- Temporal average during a 3 months period
- 24 hours accumulated rain
- Selected scores
- Maps of fields and scores

Illustrated for the operational version of ALADIN-FRANCE

Observations description

- Rain gauges data measuring 24 hours cumuls from day 6 UTC to day+1 6 UTC
- More than 4000 observations per day (available ~ 90 days after)
- Average density of 1 obs/(12 km)²



Observed and Aladin forecast of 24 hours accumulated rain from 01 09 to 30 11 2004



Observed rain and Bias for ALADIN FRANCE





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Verification of the 3DVAR Aladin against radio-soundings and Large scale analysis

RMS of the wind for the period $:22/03 \longrightarrow 10/05/2005$



Bias and rms of the t=0 analysis against radio-sounding for wind



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Subjective verification: 38 cases

- One case of relative improvment of the forecast starting from the 3DVAR analysis
- one spurious phenomena

15 April 2005: radar 3 hours accumulated rain and dyn. adapt.



15 April 2005:24 hours accumulated rain

French observations

Dynamical adaptation



15 April 2005: radar 3 hours accumulated rain and 3DVAR



15 April 2005:24 hours accumulated rain

French observations

3DVAR forecast



15 April 2005:bias for the 24 hours accumulated rain



3DVAR forecast



Some spurious phenomena

Mean Sea Level pressure ____ Dyn. Adapt.

3DVAR

Mean Sea Level pressure + Wind at 10 m AGL (Only 3DVAR forecast)



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3DVAR	Neutral	3DVAR
better	cases	worse
5+4	18	11
13 %+11 %	47 %	29%

Conclusion

- New diagnostic development to clarify the improvment of Aladin in comparison to arpège for the rain forecast
- Regional scores for Global model and LAM
- Chronology of convective events monitored every 3 hours
- First use for the verification of the 3DVAR version of Aladin France

Future work

- New version of the 3DVAR ALADIN to be verified
- Use of the WGNE framework to quantify the added value of the ALADIN model
- Use of synthetic satellite images to compute verification scores

The End

03 May 2005: Z500



03 May 2005: radar 3 hours accumulated rain and dyn. adapt.



03 May 2005: radar 3 hours accumulated rain and 3DVAR



03 May 2005: 24 hours accumulated rain

