

*Regional Cooperation for
Limited Area Modeling in Central Europe*



ALARO status overview

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Turbulence scheme TOUCANS (with shallow convection)

Radiation scheme ACRANEB2 (sunshine duration)

Screen level interpolation

2m temperature in special situation

Complementary subgrid drafts scheme

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Coupling with SURFEX

Luc Gerard

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Presentation

Rafiq Hamdi

ALARO status

ALARO-1 Working days

12-14 September 2016, Brussels, RMI

- ▶ 31 participants from 11 countries
- ▶ a status overview, spread knowledge, planning
- ▶ lectures by developers
- ▶ presentations from evaluators/users

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ALARO status

ALARO is a canonical model configuration of the ALADIN system

In the operational use in ALADIN countries

ALARO-0: at, be, hr, ro, sk, si,

ALARO-1vA: be, tr, hr, po, hu

ALARO-1vB: cz, sk

National
posters

model resolution between 8 km – 4 km, 2 km, 1.3 km

In EPS systems

ALADIN-LAEF, GLAMEPS, EPS at HMS,
convection-permitting: HarmonEPS, RMI-EPS

Presentations
Martin Belluš
Geert Smet

In climatological simulations

be, cz, se

ALARO-1 versions

- ▶ ALARO-1vA
export CY38T1.bf3, CY40T1.bf5, documentation
(February 2015)

- +screen level interpolation (May 2016)

- ▶ ALARO-1vB
CY43T2, back-phased cy40t1.bf7 (January 2017)
 - ▶ Shallow convection closure, exponential-random cloud overlaps in radiation and cloud diagnostics, improved sunshine duration and direct solar flux at surface

TOUCANS

- ▶ Shallow convection closure in turbulence scheme (non-precipitating)

Moist (in presence of condensation) buoyancy is parameterized from a simple mass flux-type model with simplified entrainment profiles

Validation:

- ▶ amount of cloudiness is increased in general – retuning is needed in radiation scheme, diagnostic cloudiness
- ▶ highest impact in summer season

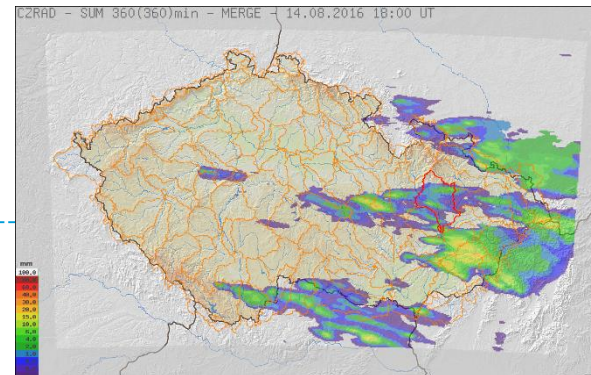
Results:

- ▶ precipitation, T2m, RH2m have smaller BIAS
- ▶ precipitation structure improved
- ▶ reduction of weak precipitation
- ▶ can help precipitating convection to start at the right place

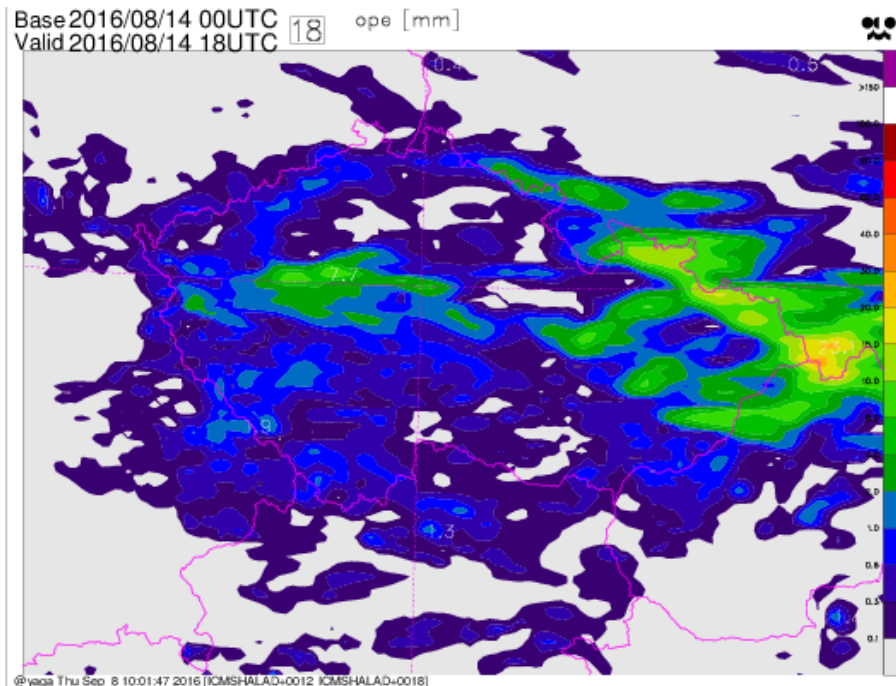
6h precipitation amounts based on radar
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TOUCANS

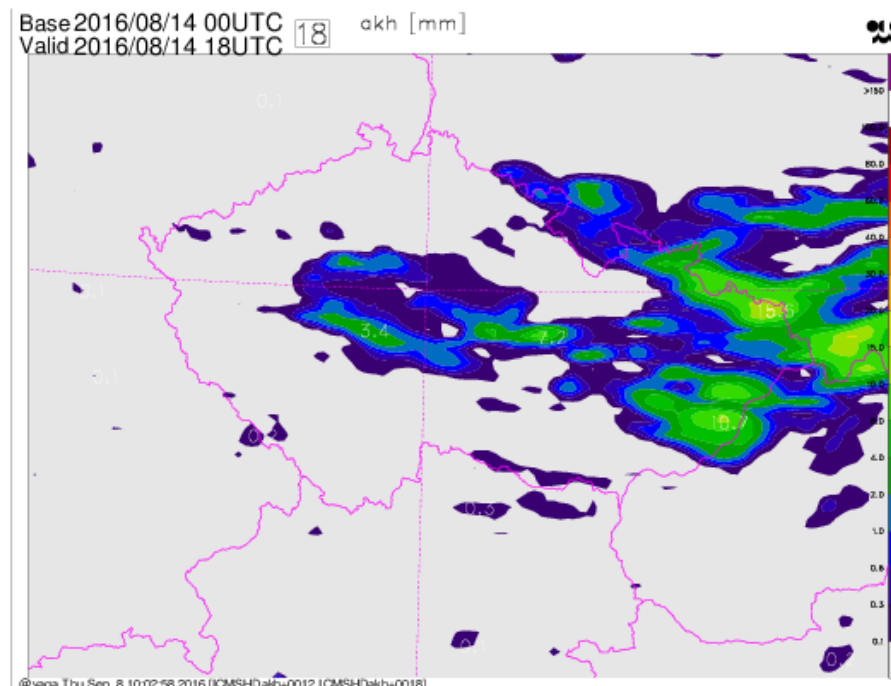
- ▶ Shallow convection closure



ALARO-1vA SCC based on Ri* or Ri**



ALARO-1vB SCC based on mass-flux



6h precipitation amounts
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ACRANEB2

paper describing LW part accepted into QJRMS

NER approach presented

writing the papers lead to significantly improved ACRANEB2 scheme

verification against SW and LW narrowband references helped to identify the weak points, some of them are cured already

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Single interval longwave radiation scheme based on the net rate decomposition with bracketing

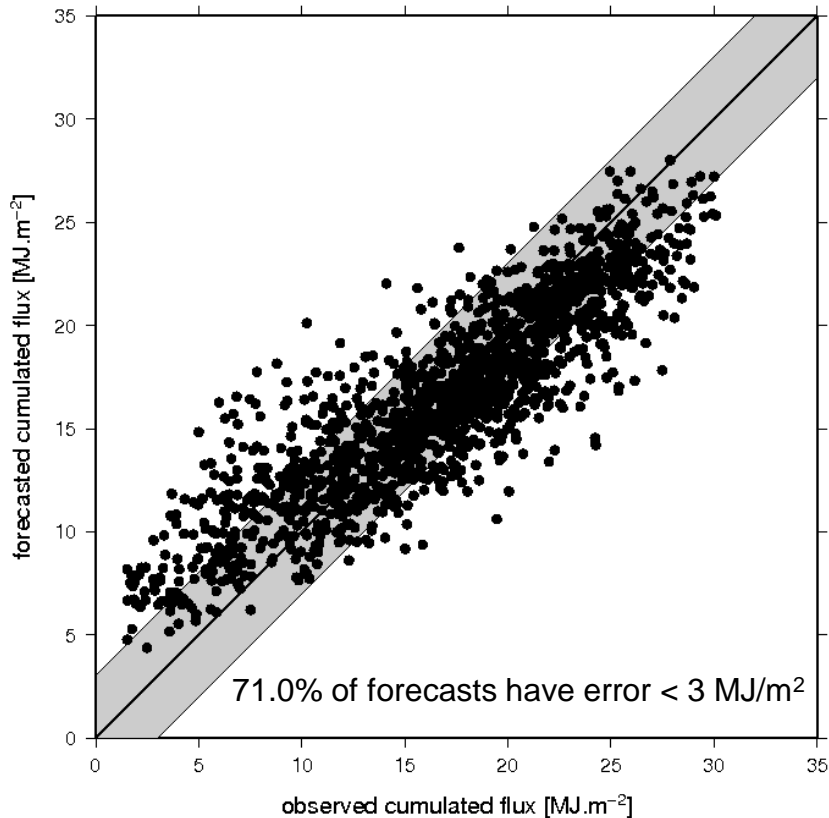
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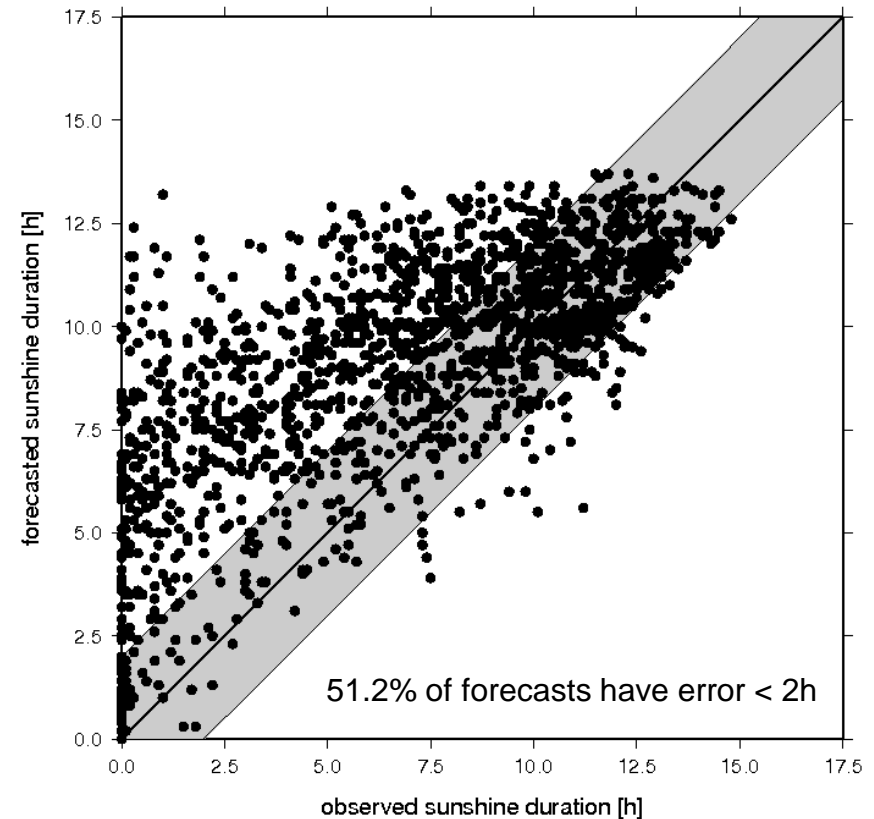
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Sunshine duration

Daily global radiation



Daily sunshine duration

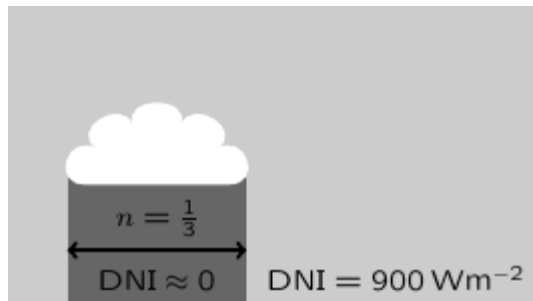


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19 Czech stations

CHMI ALARO-1vA
00+24 hour forecasts

Sunshine duration – new treatment

- ▶ Sunshine condition is defined as direct normal irradiance (DNI) at the surface exceeding $120\text{W}/\text{m}^2$
- ▶ Determining sunshine duration from grid box averaged DNI leads to severe overestimation in cases with partial cloud cover

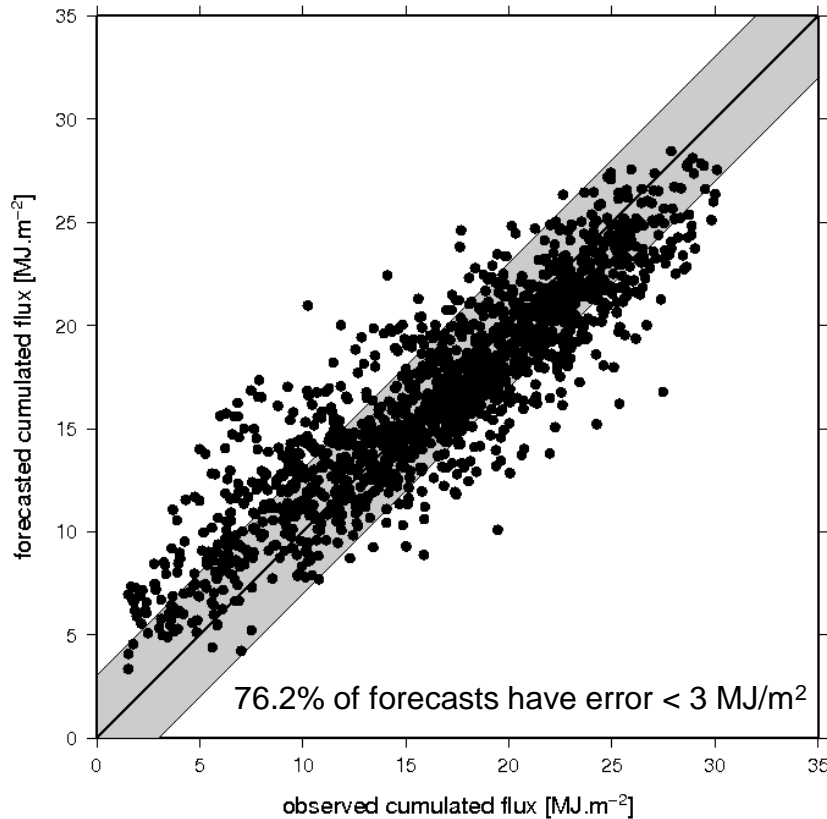


Grid box averaged DNI $\sim 600\text{W}/\text{m}^2$
sunshine duration whole time step
in reality around 2/3 of time step

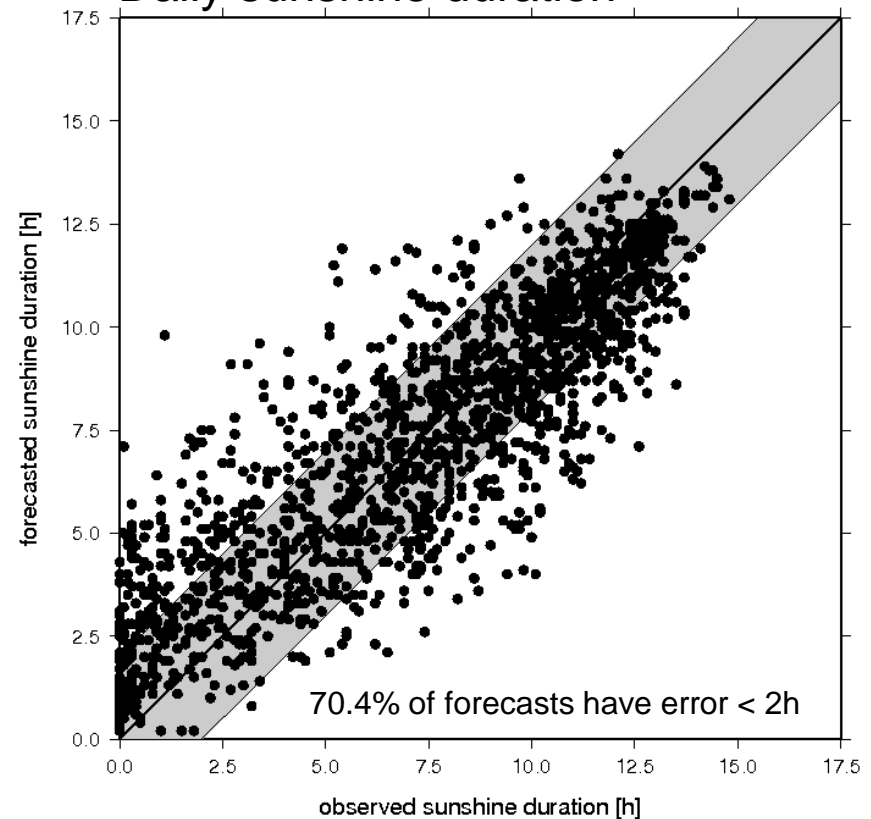
- ▶ Solution: sunshine condition is evaluated separately below clouds and in the clearsky part of grid box, then weight the result by cloud cover

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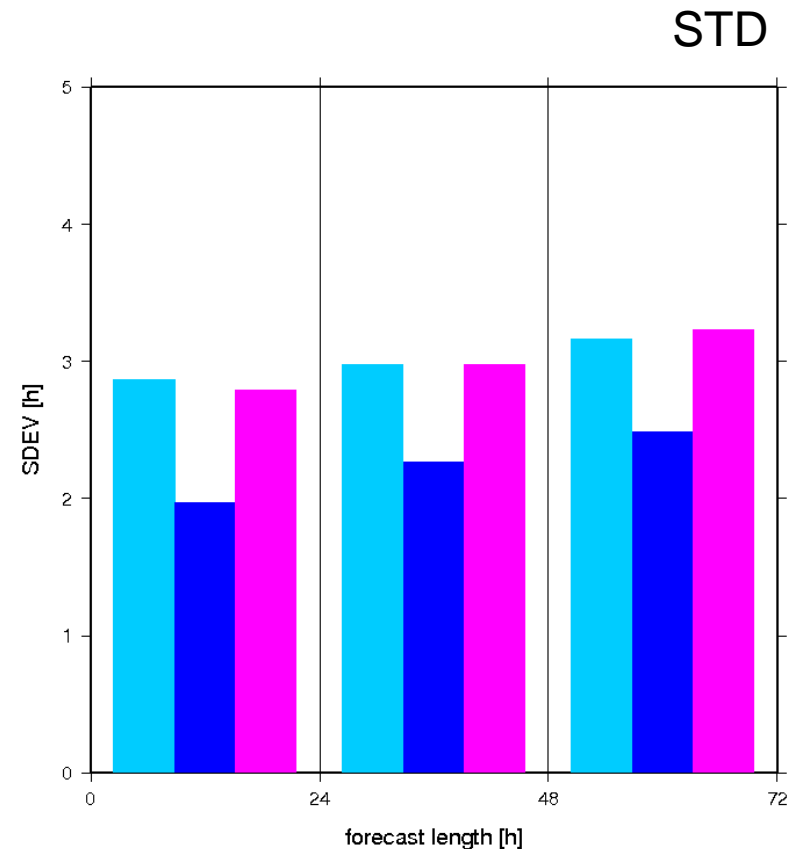
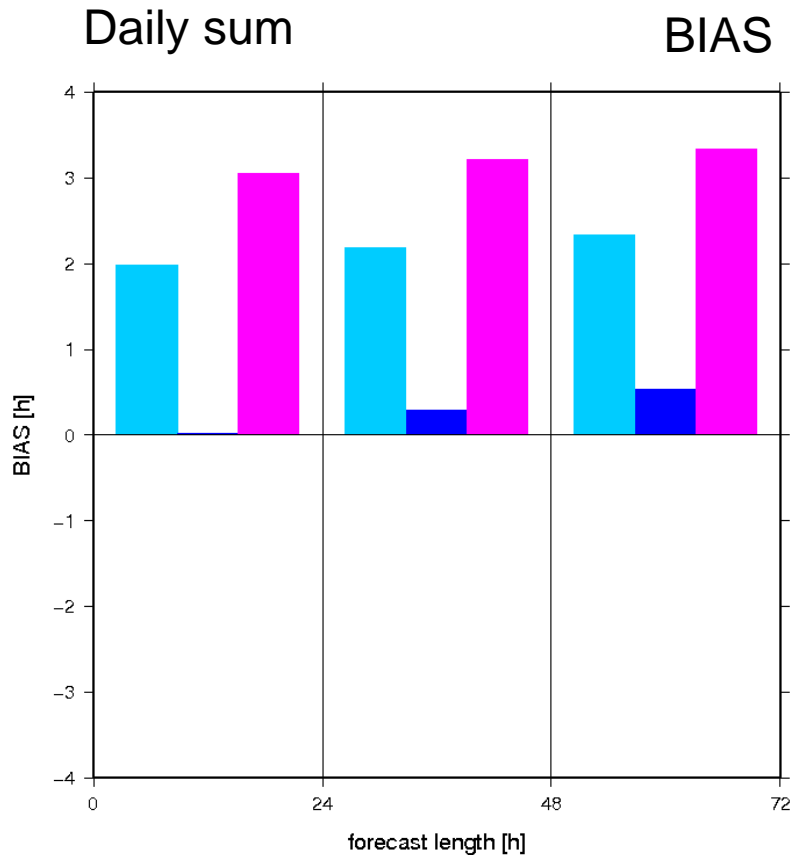
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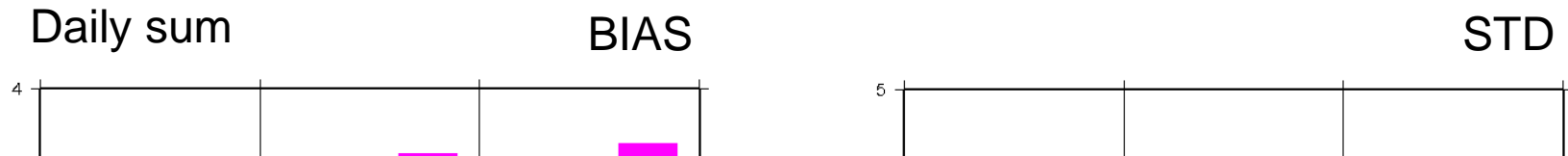
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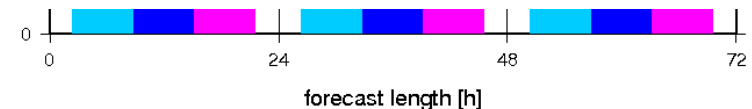
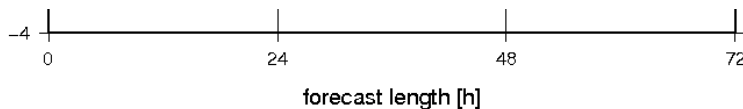
CHMI ALARO-1vA previous oper
CHMI ALARO-1vB current oper
ECMWF

Sunshine duration



Part of improvement is coming from the exponential-random cloud overlap (instead of maximum-random one) and from related retunings in the cloud scheme.

Overestimations of global radiation and sunshine duration remain during winter due to insufficient low inversion clouds.

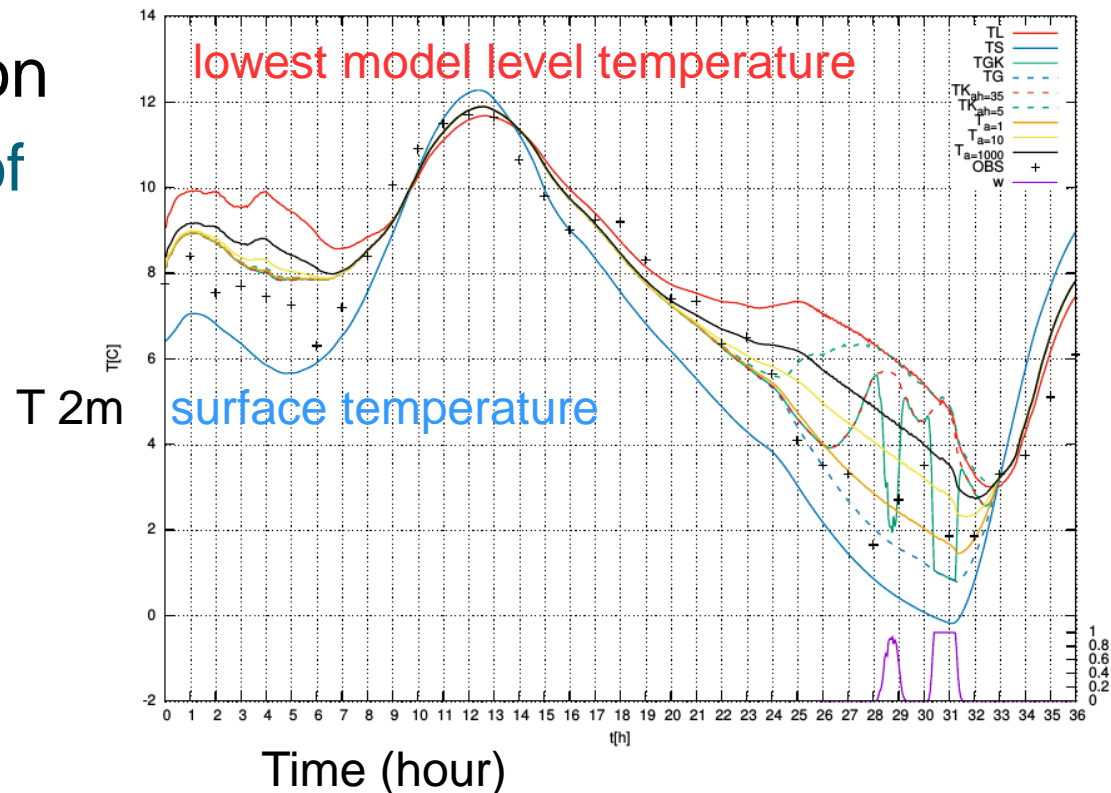


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Interpolation to screen level (T2m, RH2m) in stable situations

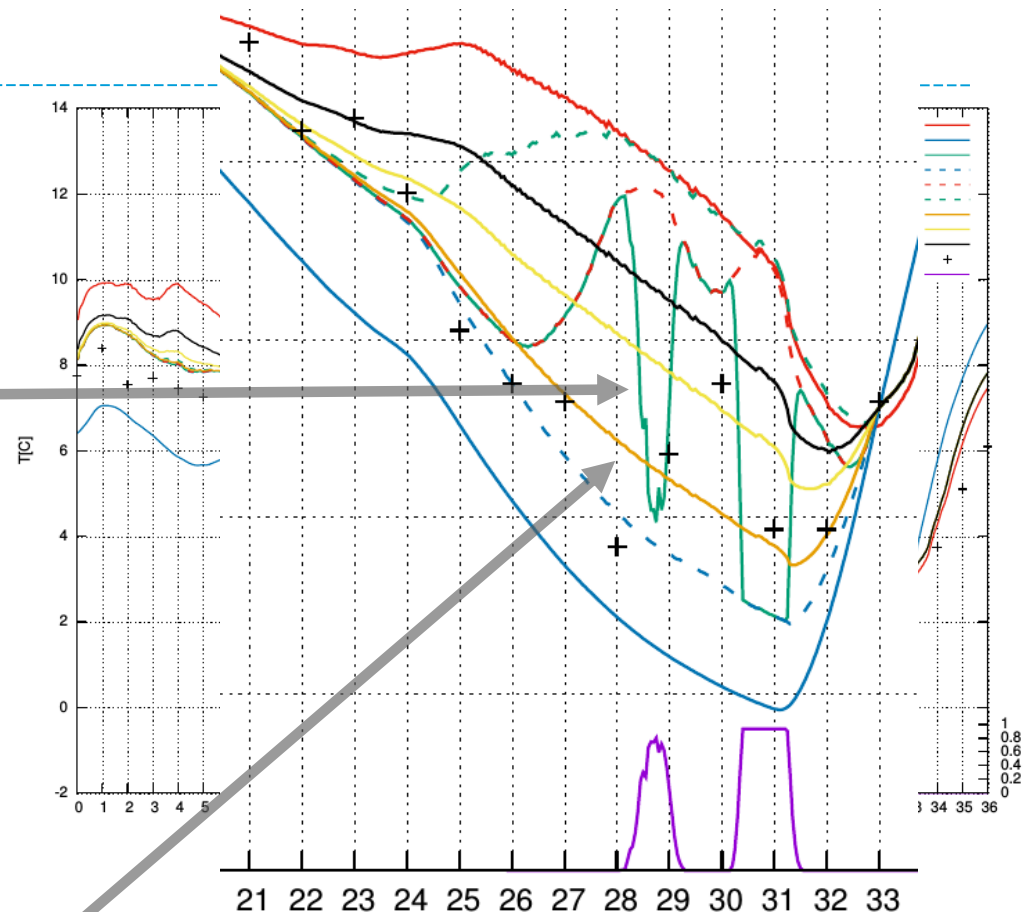
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 - ▶ Problem: mixture of Geleyn 1988 and Kullmann 2009 method has oscillations



mixture of Geleyn and Kullman
Geleyn 1988 (dashed line)
Kullman 2009 (dashed line)
new recommended

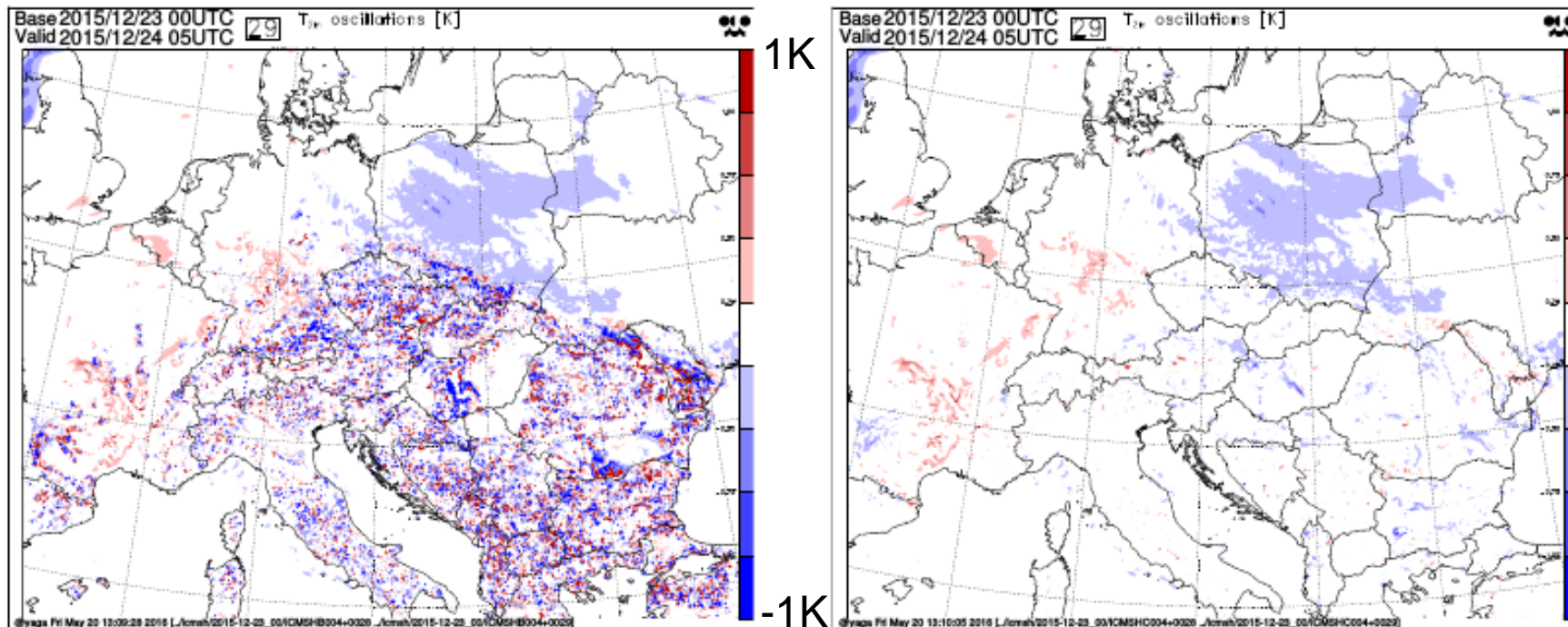
Interpolation to screen level (T2m, RH2m) in stable situations

- ▶ modified interpolation
 - ▶ Mixture of Geleyn 1988 and Kullmann 2009 method has oscillations
 - ▶ Solution: Kullmann method redefined in a non-oscillatory way
 - ▶ different placement of elimination parameter
 - ▶ one tuning parameter changing interpolated T2m monotonically



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Interpolation to screen level (T2m, RH2m) in stable situations



Old

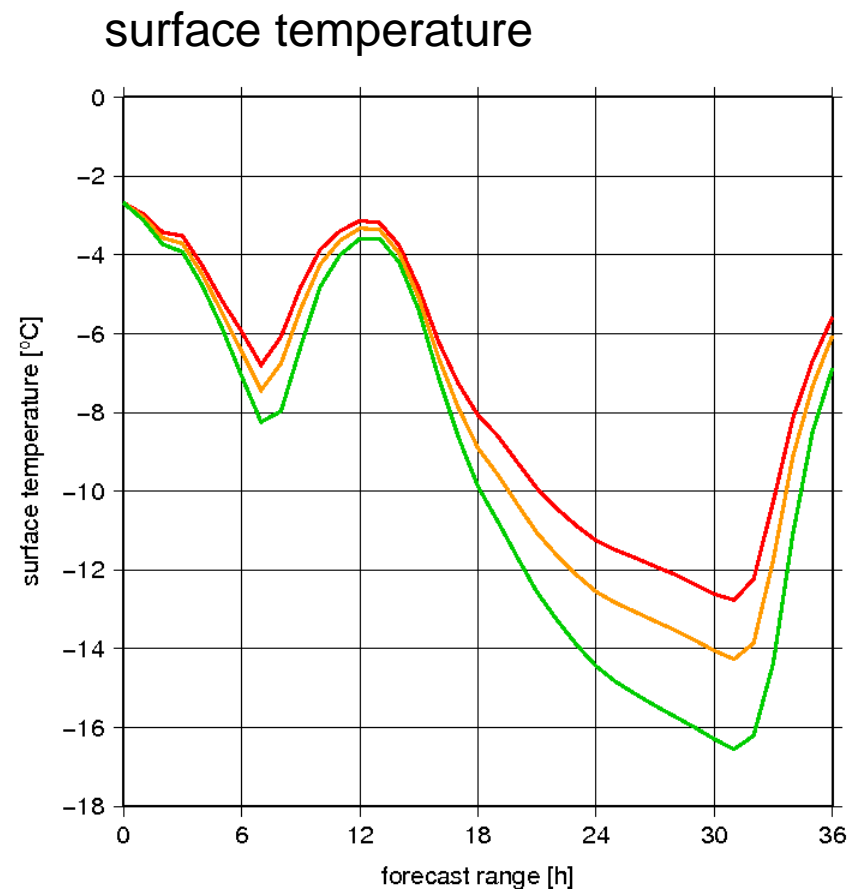
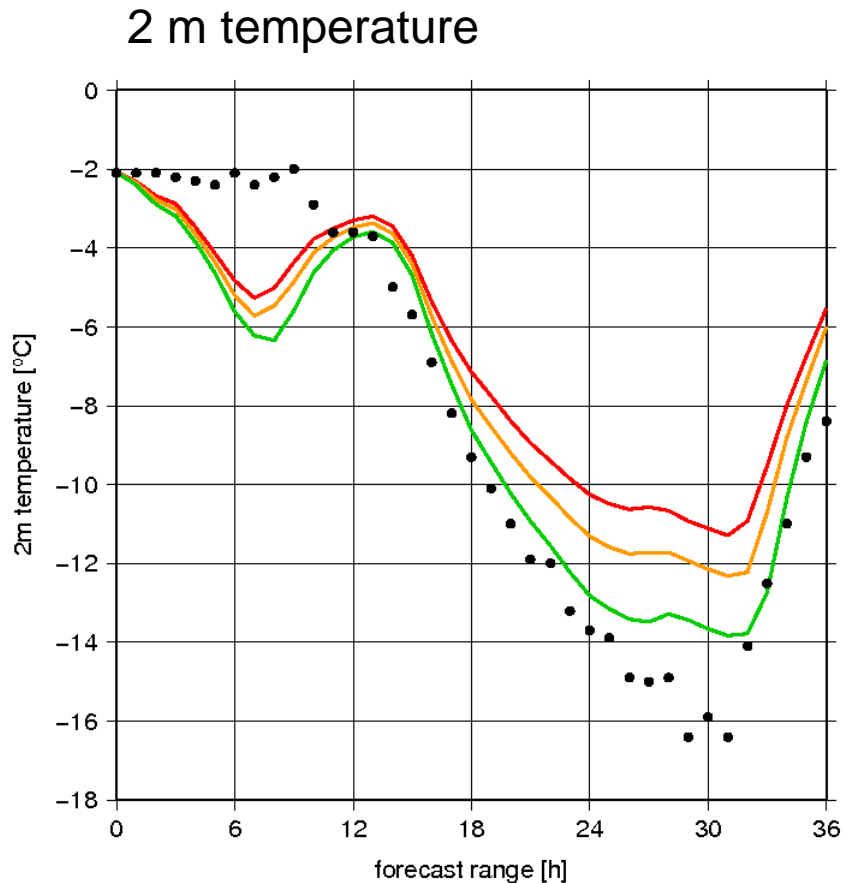
1h 2 m temperature difference
23.12.2015 00+29h

New

T 2m – snow model in ISBA scheme

- ▶ Minimum 2m temperature in stable anticyclonic situations with snow cover
 - ▶ Cooling process not represented well:
 - ▶ snow layer being part of surface ISBA layer, implying $T_{\text{snow}} = T_{\text{surf}}$
 - ▶ The idea is to reduce heat exchange with the deep soil in the presence of snow (namelist parameter NCHSP)
Tested in ARPEGE in 2003
Re-evaluated with ALARO-1 now

T 2m – snow model in ISBA scheme



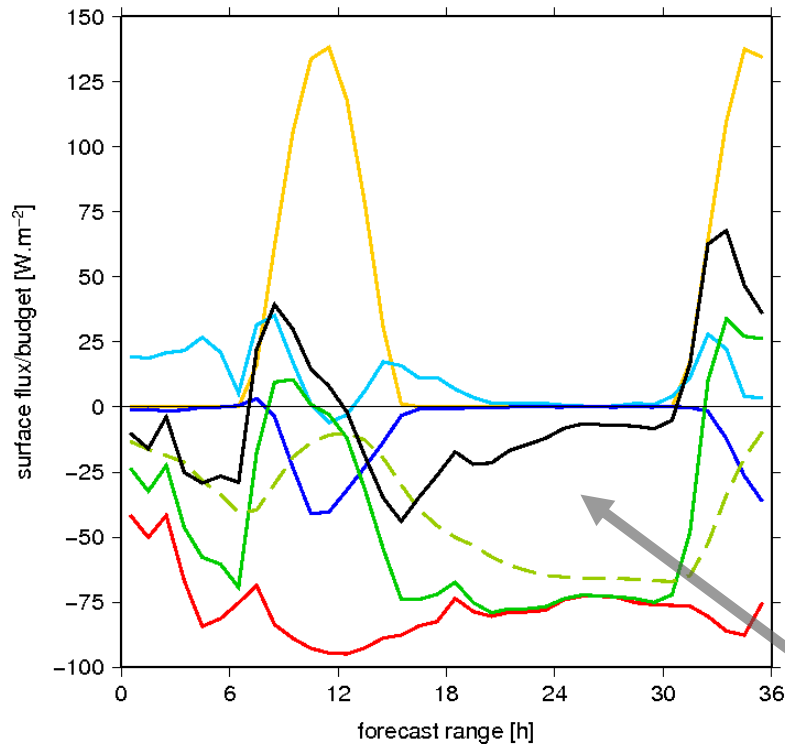
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Operational settings
 extreme (NCHSP=1) soft (NCHSP=2)

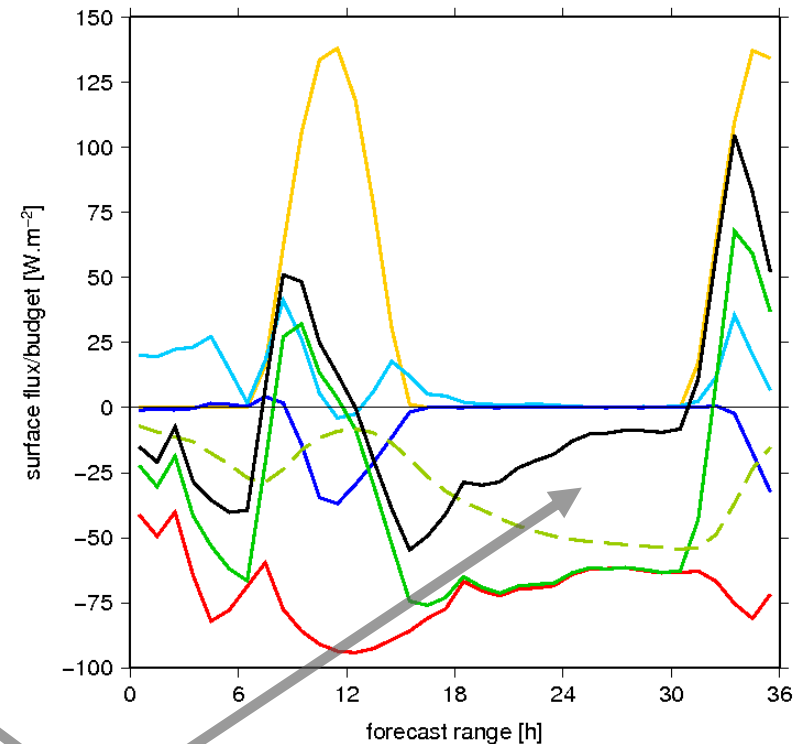
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Fluxes and surface energy budget

Operational settings



Extreme settings



- LW net flux
- SW net flux
- sensible heat flux
- latent heat flux
- total surface flux
- - - soil heat flux
- surface energy budget

Surface energy budget
Soil heat flux (dashed)

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T 2m – snow model in ISBA scheme

- ▶ Minimum 2m temperature in stable anticyclonic situations with snow cover
 - ▶ evaluate impact of NCHSP in cycling during longer period
 - ▶ 2-layer ISBA is insufficient in such case, solution with NCHSP provides only partial cure
 - ▶ usage of SURFEX with more advanced snow scheme
 - ▶ problem is related also to the quality of snow analysis

Outlook

- ▶ Enhancement of the 3MT downdraft parameterization towards **unsaturated downdraft** option
- ▶ Adding aspects of **Complementary Sub-grid Drafts** to new radiation, turbulence and microphysics
- ▶ Further enhancements of the **Third Order Moments** and **mixing length scale** parameterization in TOUCANS
- ▶ Further steps towards **the unification of cloudiness**
- ▶ Linking with the **SURFEX** scheme

Thank you!

