

Advances in the use of observations in the ALADIN/HU 3D-Var system

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- Studies related to Satellite AMSU-A data
 - choice of the bias correction file
- Studies related to Aircraft AMDAR data
 - problems in pre-processing of the local data
 - preliminary results of our impact studies
- New observations to be assimilated in the 3D-Var/HU
- Summary

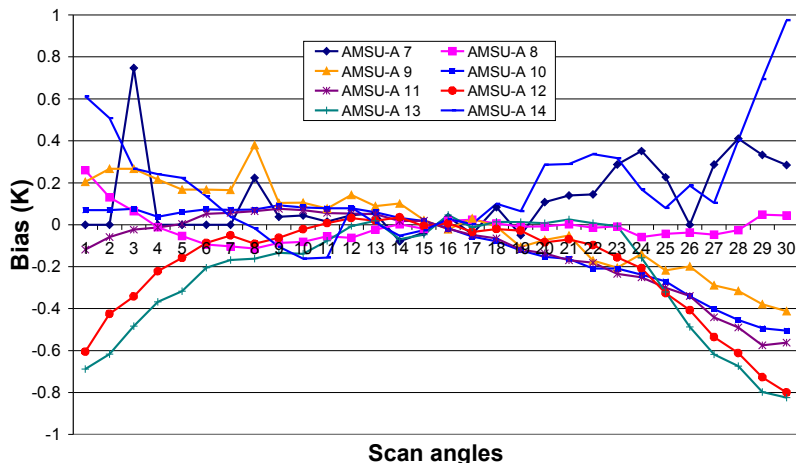
Studies related to Satellite AMSU-A data

- Choice of bias correction file
 - the “bcor_noaa.dat” file

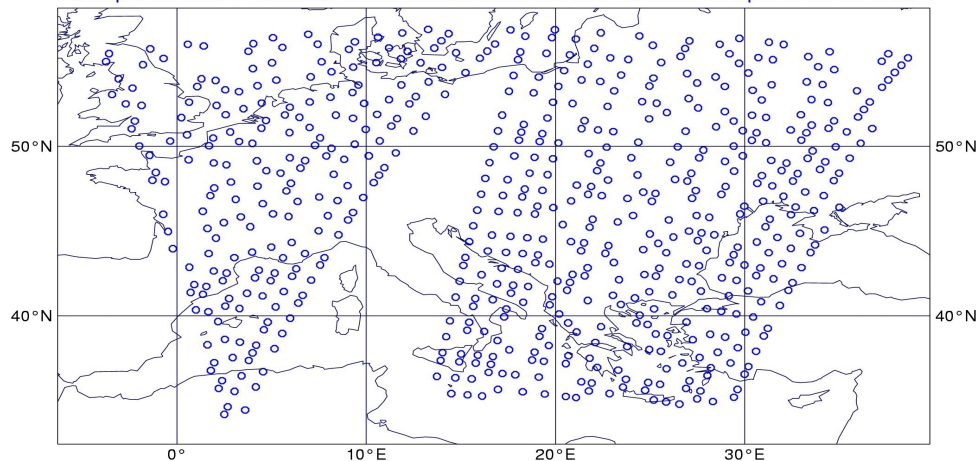
The bias correction file: "bcor_noaa.dat"

the problem related to the limited area model

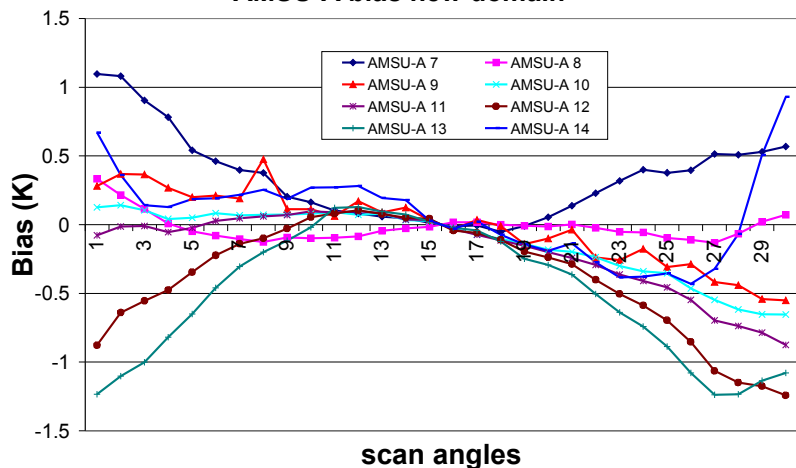
AMSU-A bias old domain



Example of "active" Satellite observation inside ALADIN domain 22 April 2003 00 UTC



AMSU-A bias new domain



Air-mass predictors for ARPEGE/ALADIN models:

Harris and Kelly (2001)

- model first guess thickness (1000-300 hPa)
- model first guess thickness (200-50 hPa)
- model first guess surface skin temperature
- model first guess total column water vapour

Description of the experiments with AMSU-A data

1 Period: 20.02.2003 – 06.03.2003;

thinning of AMSU-A: 80 km

2 Period: 18.04.2003 – 07.05.2003;

Experiments:

- T80U**: TEMP, SYNOP and AMSU-A (80km); LAM bias (scan angle & air-mass)
- T8B1**: TEMP, SYNOP and AMSU-A (80km); ARPEGE bias (scan angle & air-mass)
- T8B2**: TEMP, SYNOP and AMSU-A (80km); ARPEGE bias (scan angle) & no air-mass
- T8B3**: TEMP, SYNOP and AMSU-A (80km); ARPEGE scan angle & LAM air-mass

The ALDIN/HU model and its assimilation system

Model: - Hydrostatic (AL15)

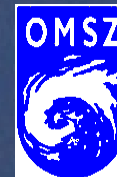
- Resolution: 12 km
- 37 vertical levels

3D-Var:

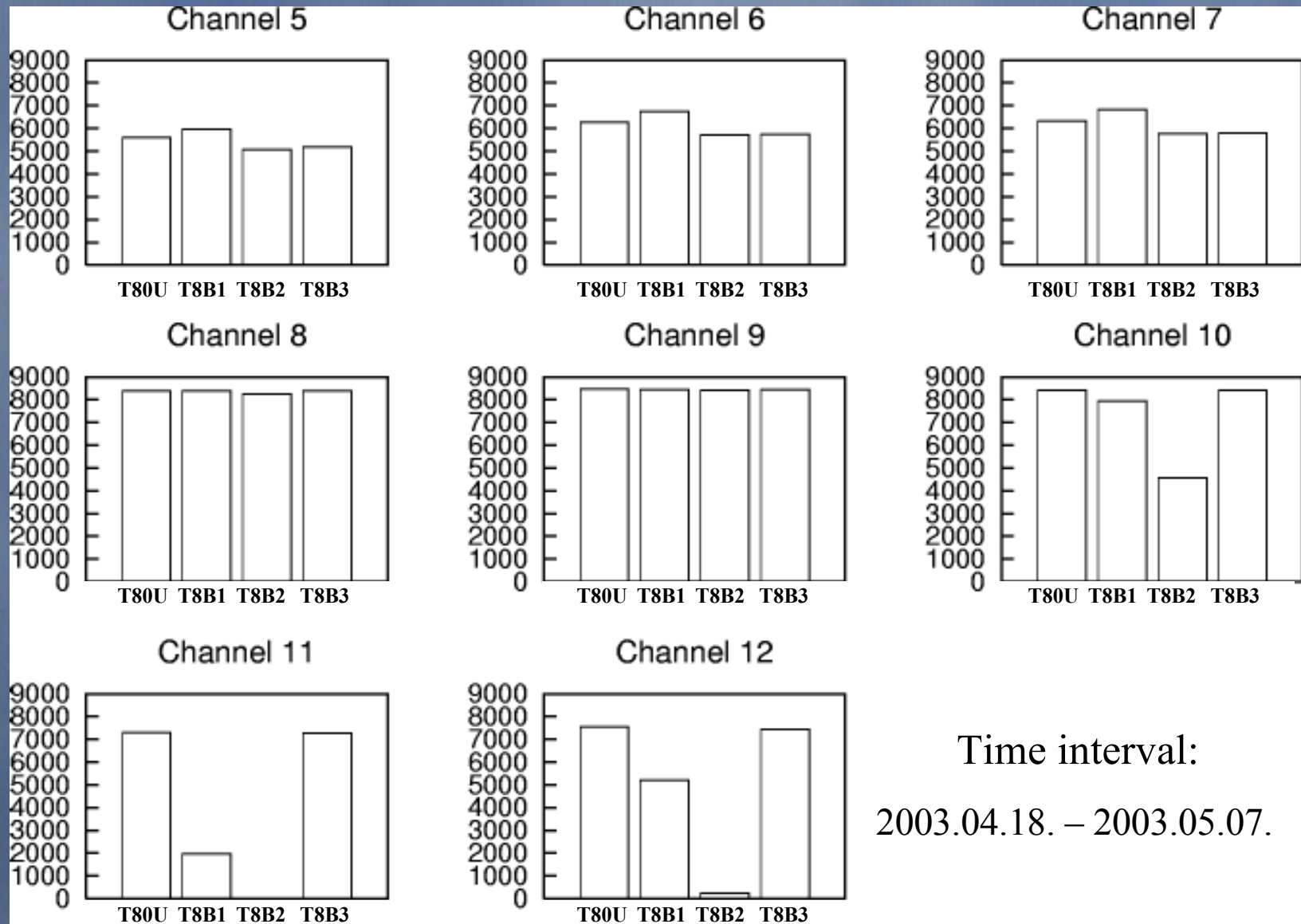
- Background error covariance matrix “B”:
computed using “standard NMC” method
- Simulation of radiances → RTTOV 6.0
- 6 hour assimilation cycling: 00, 06, 12 and 18 UTC
- Coupling: ARPEGE long cut-off analysis
- ATOVS from NOAA-15 and NOAA-16 ($T \pm 3$ hour)
- AMDAR

Forecast:

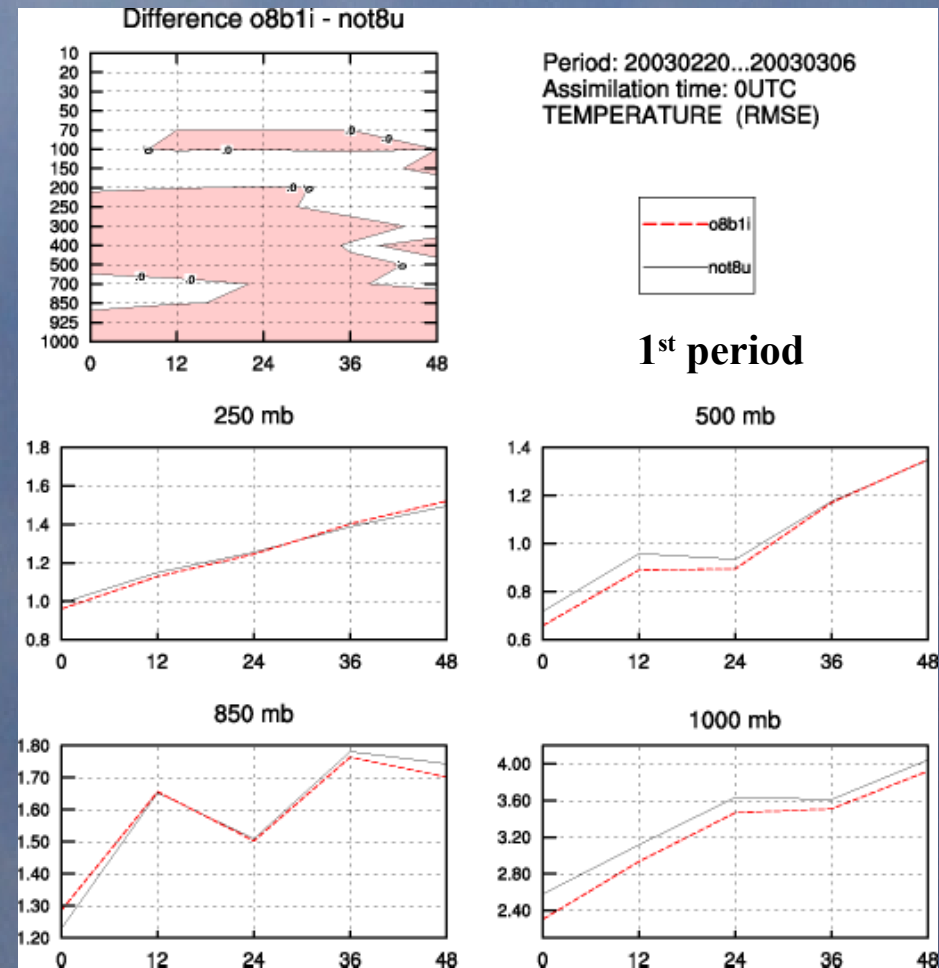
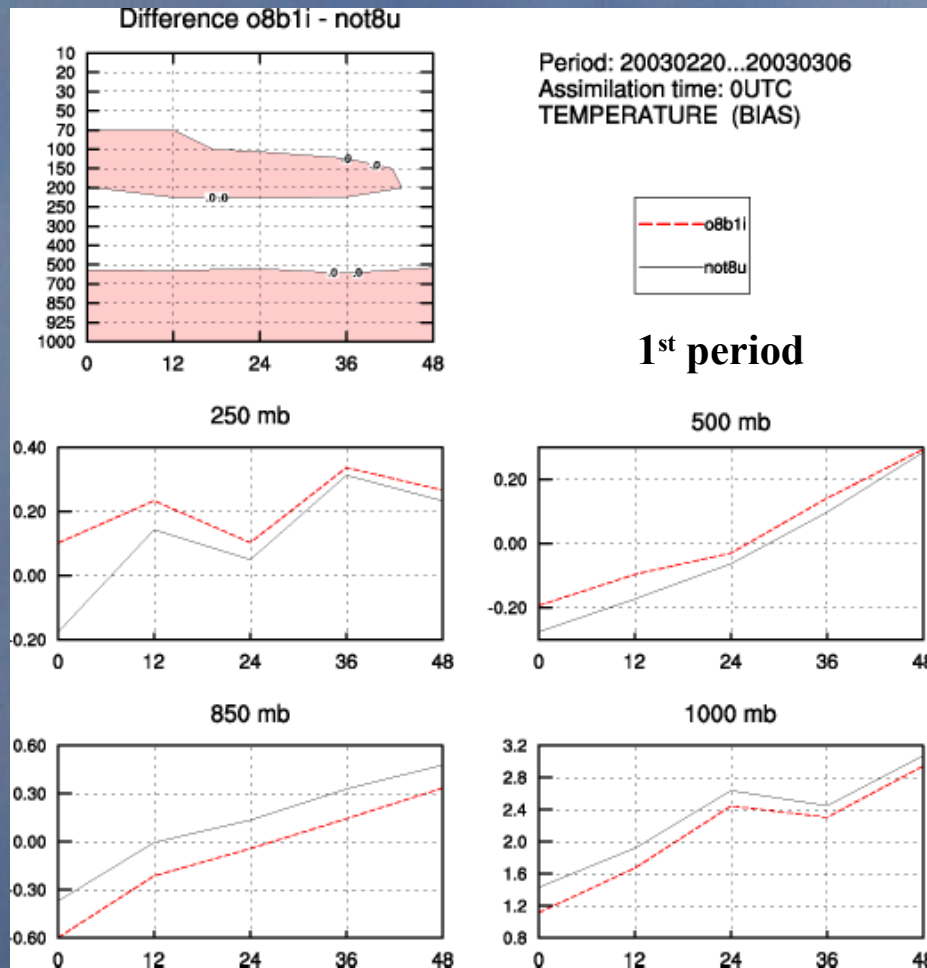
- 48h from 00 UTC (ATOVS) and 12 UTC (AMDAR)



Total amount of satellite data, used in the experiments

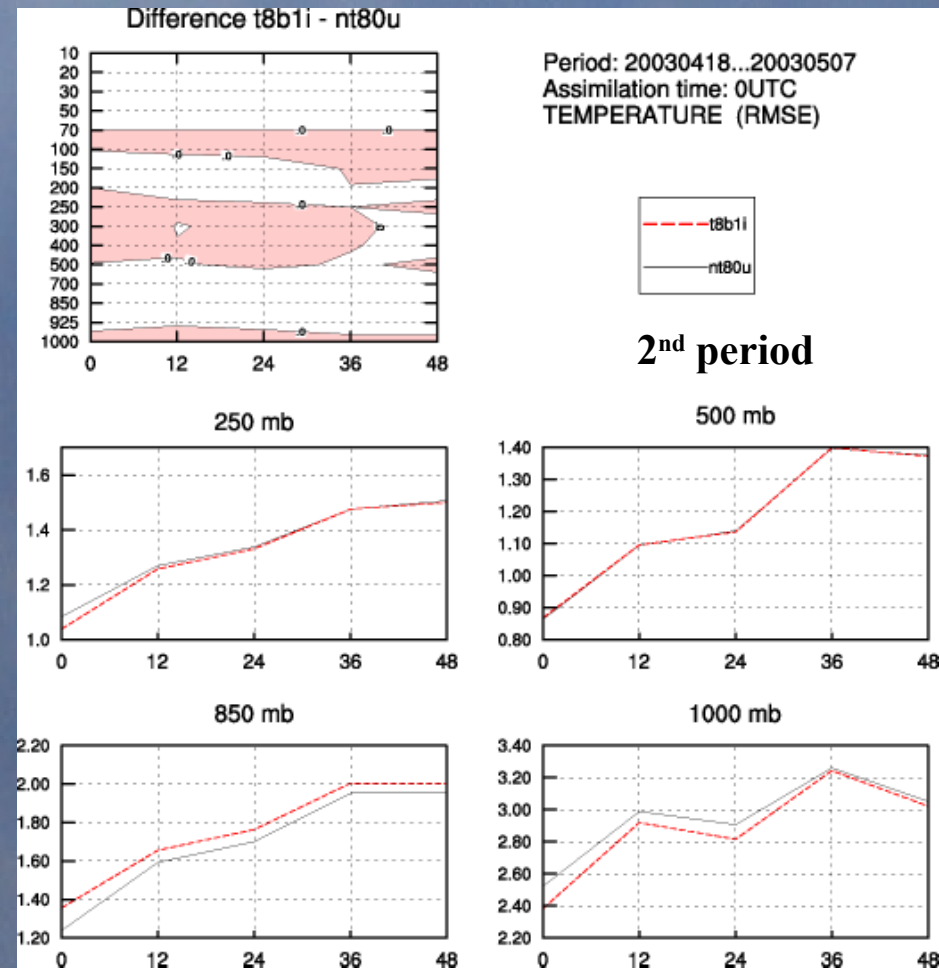
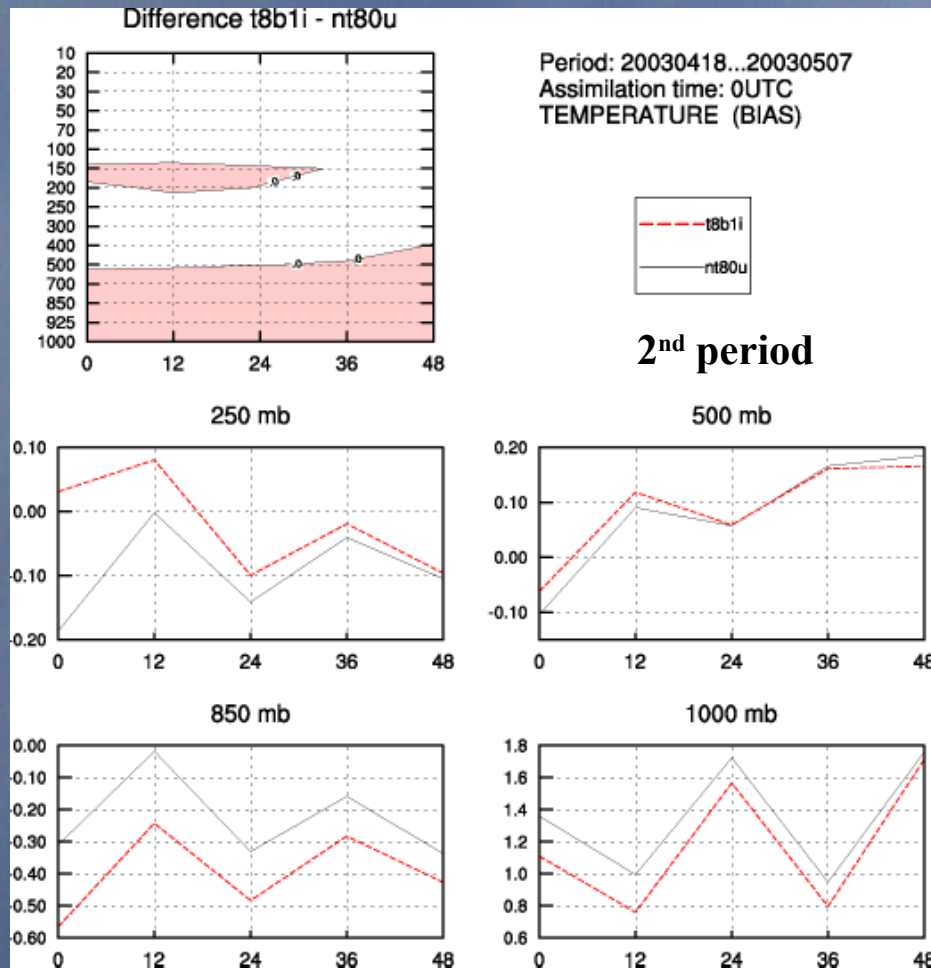


Bias and RMSE of the temperature



Run with LAM bias (scan angle & air-mass) compared to the run with
ARPEGE bias (scan angle & air-mass)

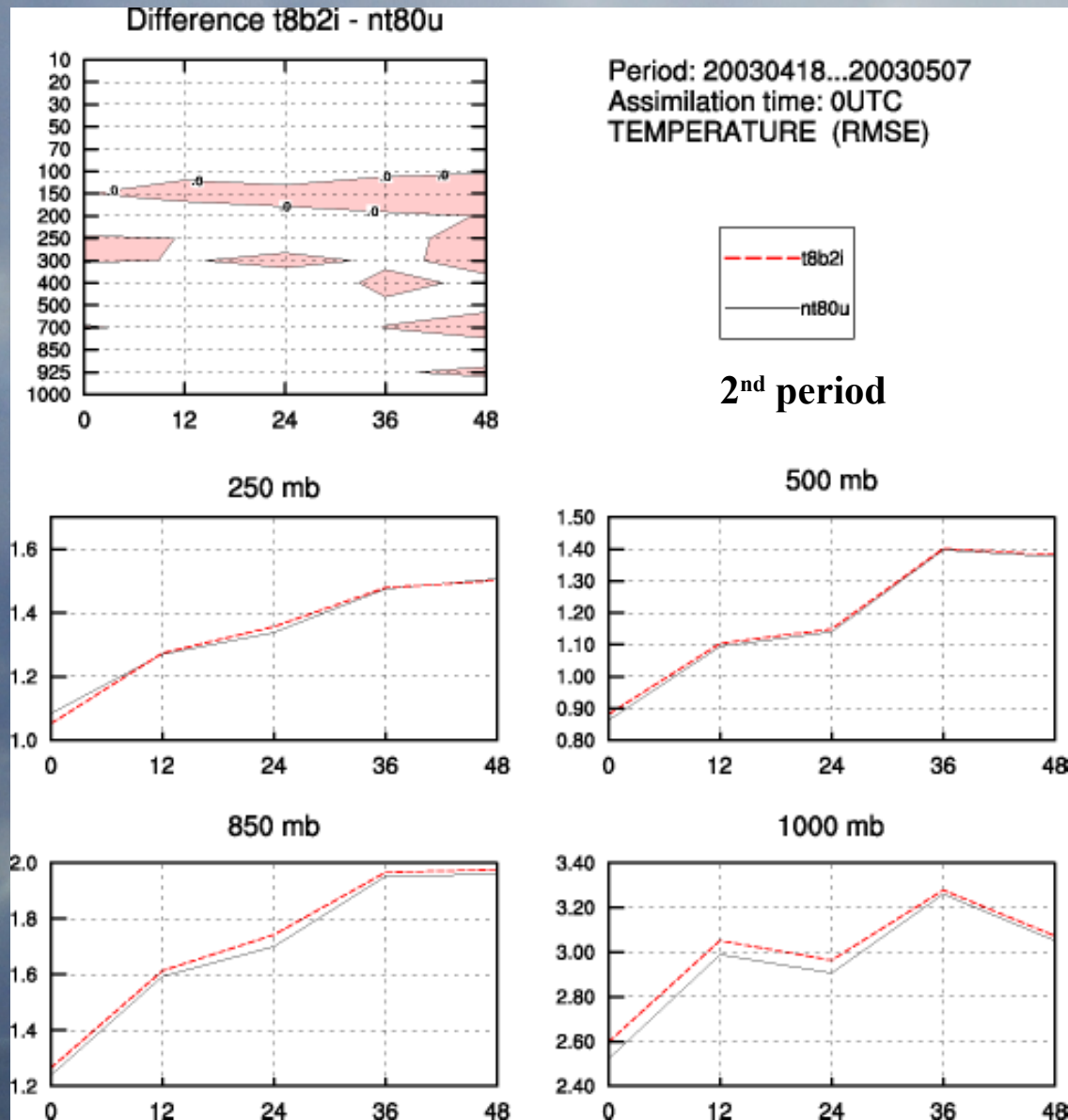
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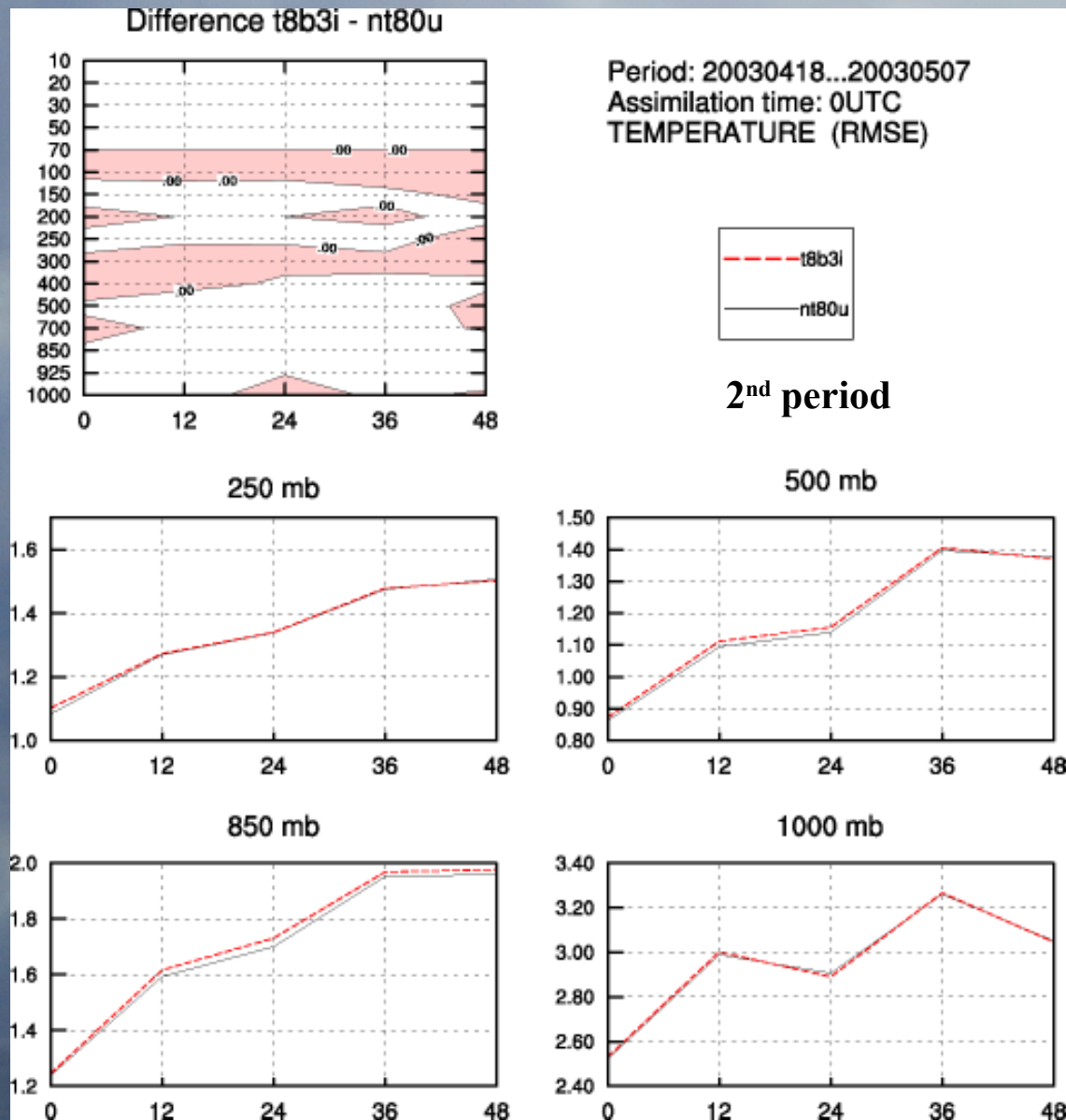
Studies related to AMSU-A data



Run with LAM bias (scan angle & air-mass) compared to the run with ARPEGE bias (scan angle) & no air-mass

RMSE of the temperature

Studies related to AMSU-A data



Run with LAM bias (scan angle & air-mass) compared to the run with ARPEGE scan angle & LAM air-mass

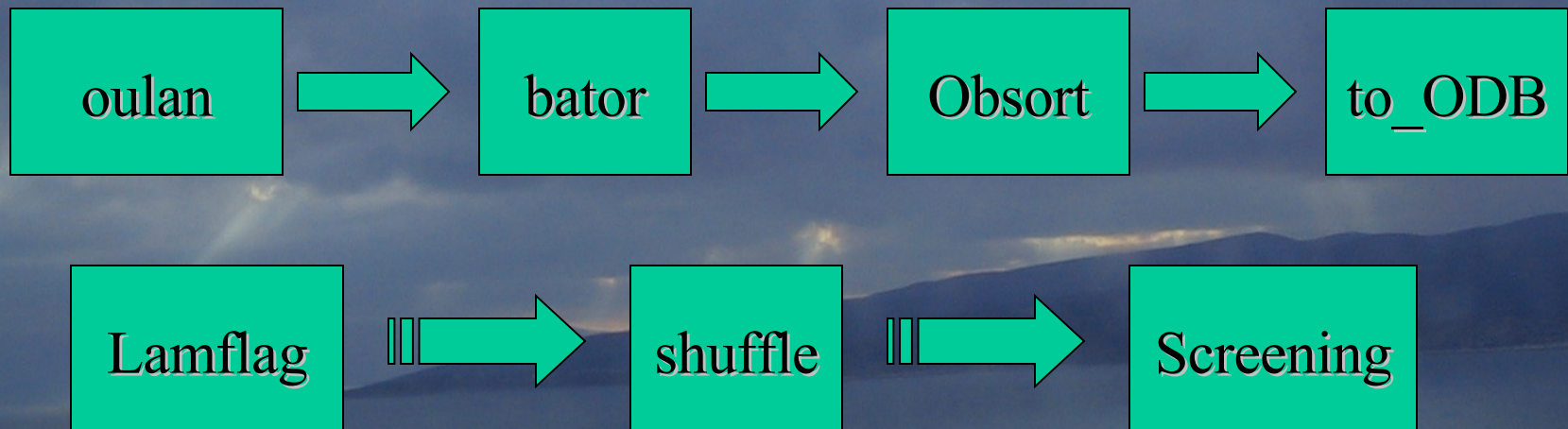
Studies related to AMDAR data

- problems in local data pre-processing
- preliminary results of our impact studies

Pre-processing of the AMDAR data



Creation of the ODB:



Problem in the pre-processing:

- during the pre-processing, the observations with “old datum” are not “filtered” → obs. communicated with „late” datum

Solutions: 1- time checking in OULAN for each parameter

2- time/datum filtering in Lamflag



Specificities of AMDAR data:

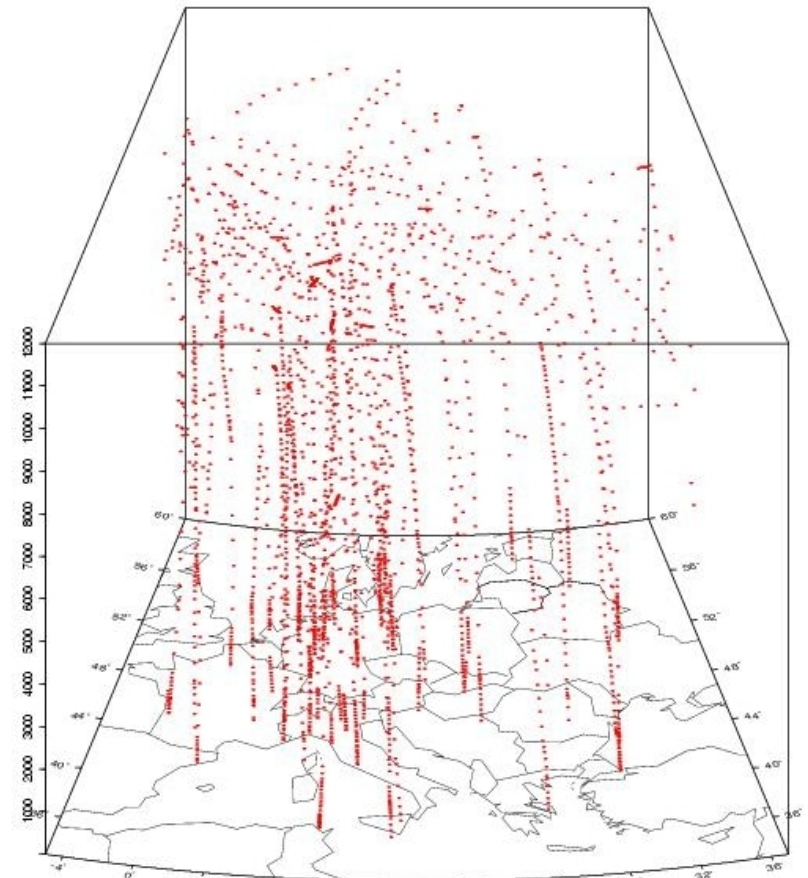
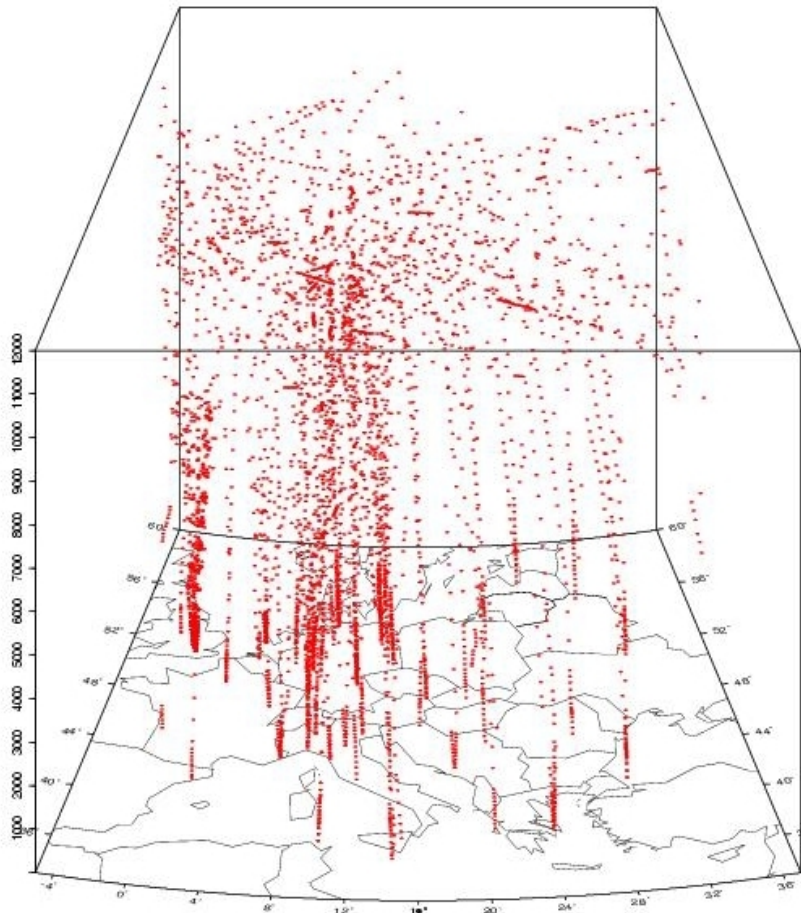
- depending on the extraction time interval,
 - there is possibility to get all flights
 - at one airport we can get more profiles (ascendant or descendent) for the same assimilation time
- the screening of AMDAR data is done separately for different aircraft ID

Possible solution:

- to reduce the extraction time interval (two or one hours)

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Local data

data from EUCOS

AMDAR data 24th August 2003 around 12 UTC

Next combination of experiments are under investigation:

- changing the observation extraction time interval → 6-, 2-, 1-hour
- changing the thinning distance → 170, 25, 10 km

Preliminary results:

- 4 experiments

UAMDH - run with TEMP,SYNOP and *local AMDAR* (170km, $T \pm 3$ hour)

UAMDL - run with TEMP,SYNOP and *EUCOS AMDAR* (170km, $T \pm 3$ hour)

A10HE - run with TEMP,SYNOP and *local AMDAR* (10km, $T \pm 1$ hour)

AM10E - run with TEMP,SYNOP and *EUCOS AMDAR* (10km, $T \pm 1$ hour)

Control run:

AUHU - run with TEMP and SYNOP only

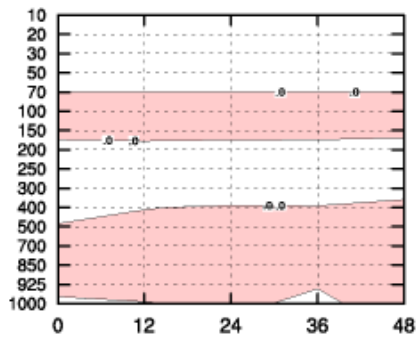
Comparison of the forecast against radiosonde observations

Period: 2003.08.21. – 2003.09.30.

(40 days)

Bias of the temperature (AMDAR data are assimilated at 170 km)

Difference UAMDH - ALUHU

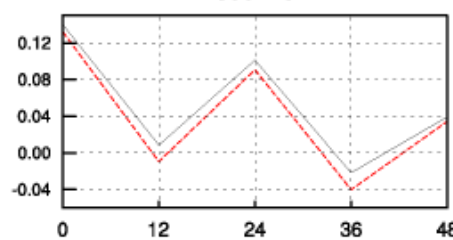
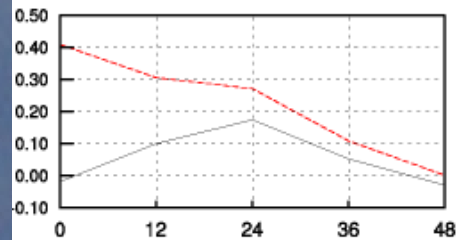


Period: 20030821...20030930
Assimilation time: 12UTC
TEMPERATURE (BIAS)



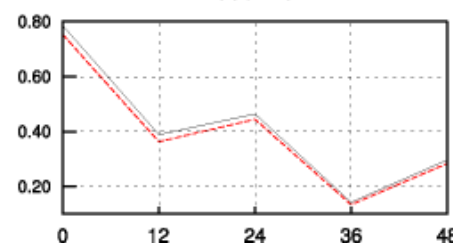
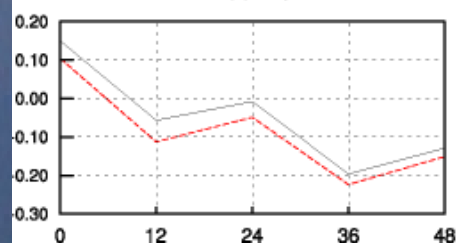
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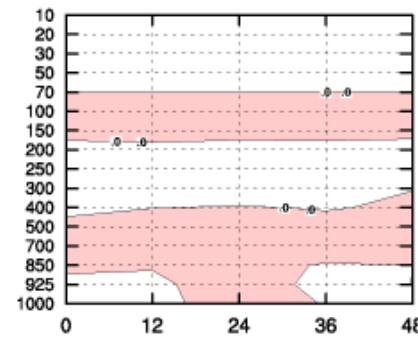


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Difference UAMD L - ALUHU

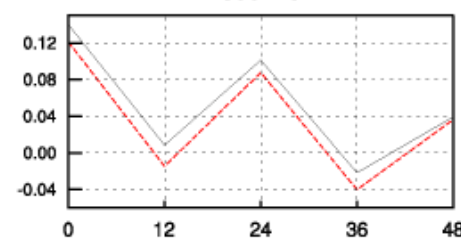
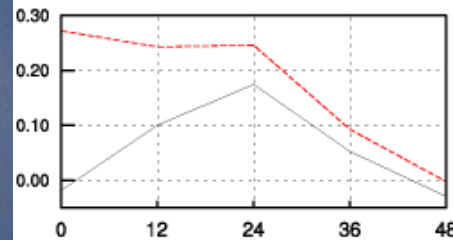


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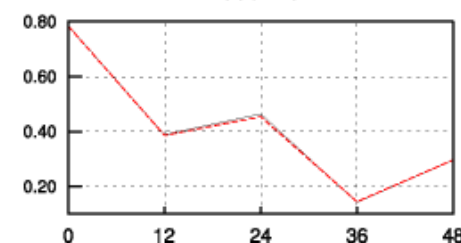
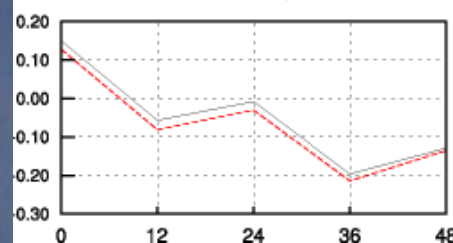
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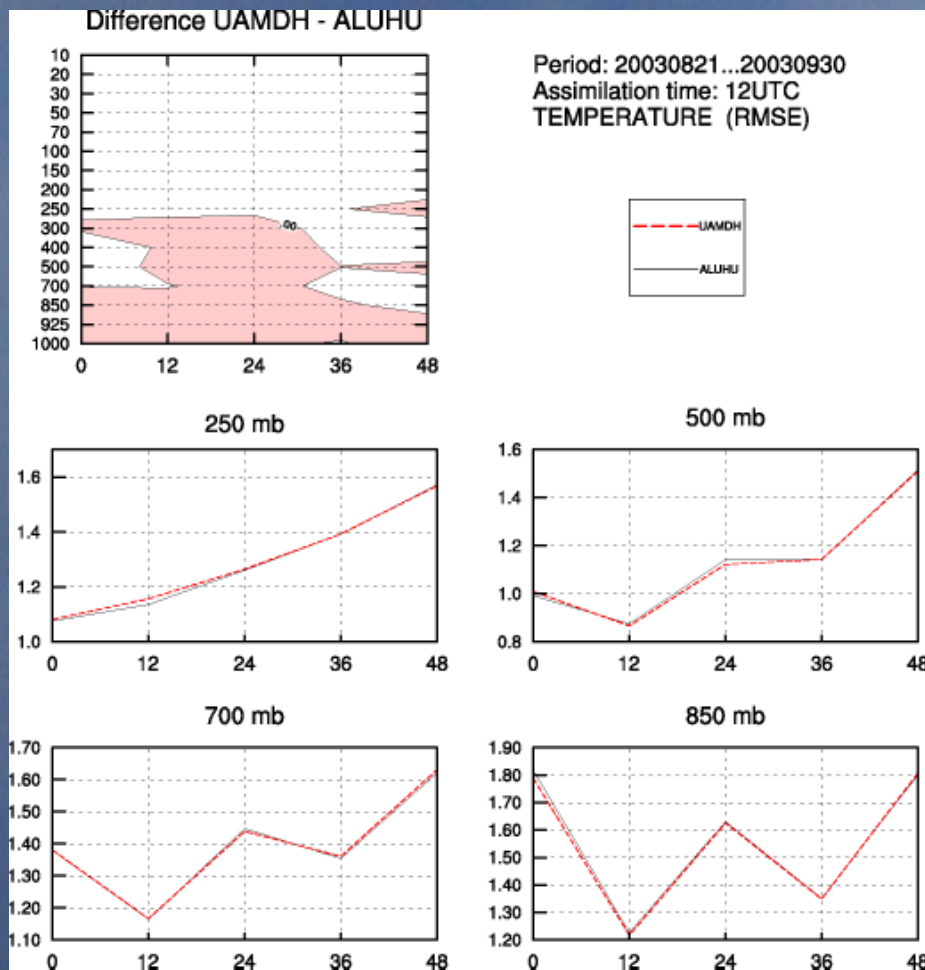
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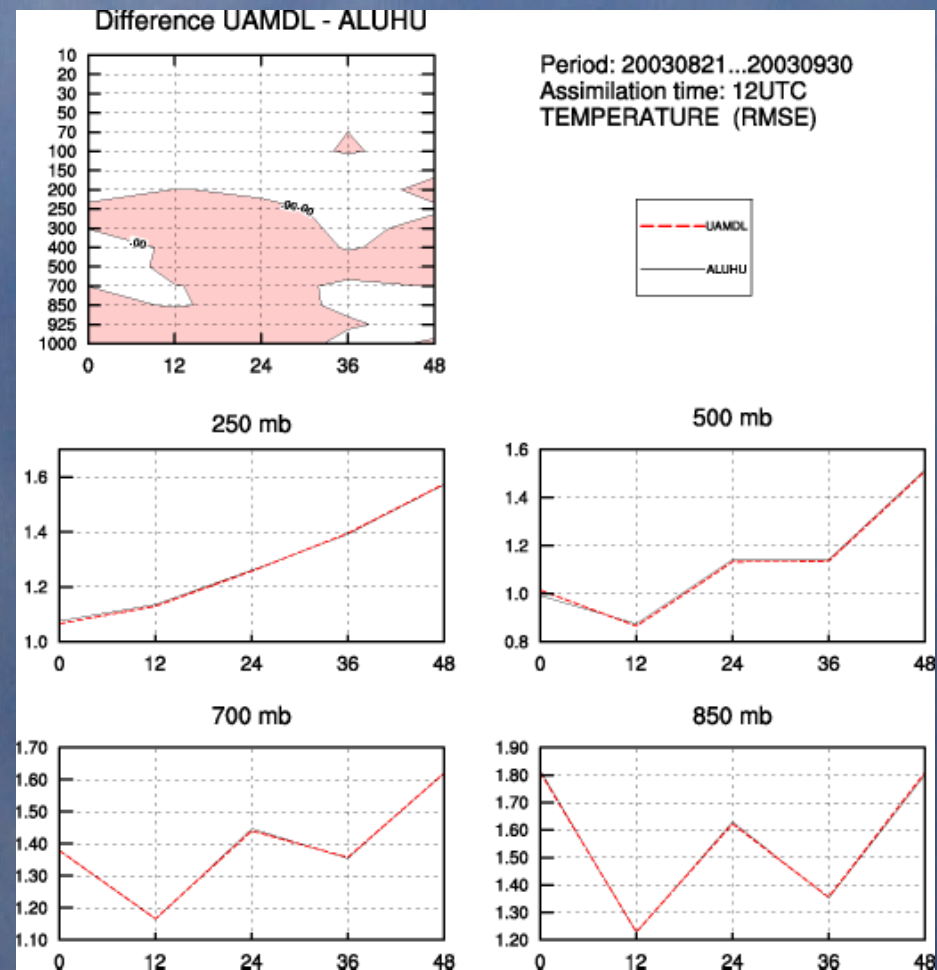
local AMDAR (170km, $T \pm 3$ hour)
compared to the **CONTROL** run

EUCOS AMDAR (170km, $T \pm 3$ hour)
compared to the **CONTROL** run

Root Mean Square Error of the temperature (AMDAR data are assimilated at 170 km)



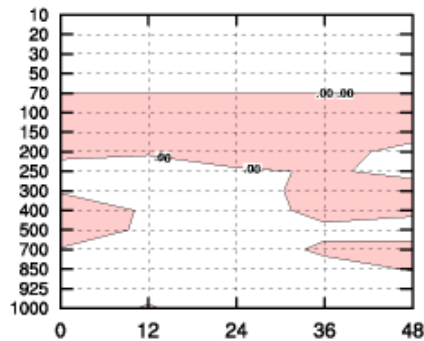
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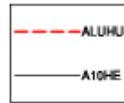
EUCOS AMDAR (170km, $T \pm 3$ hour)
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Root Mean Square Error of the temperature (AMDAR data are assimilated at 10 km)

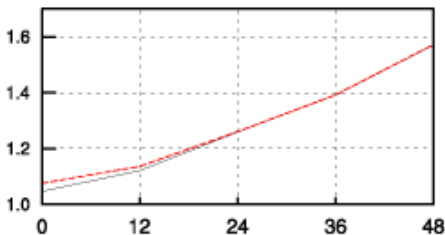
Difference ALUHU - A10HE



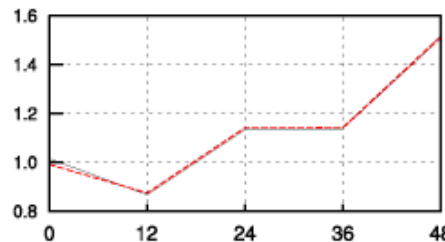
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TEMPERATURE (RMSE)



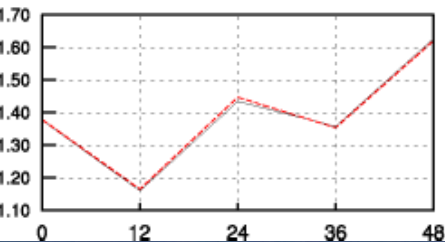
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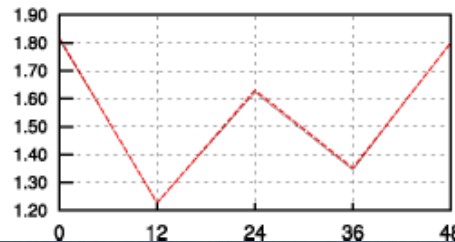
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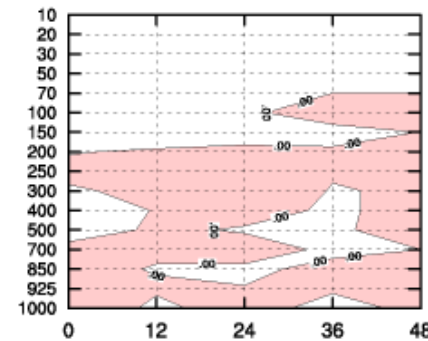


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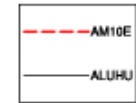


local AMDAR (10km, $T \pm 1$ hour)
compared to the **CONTROL** run

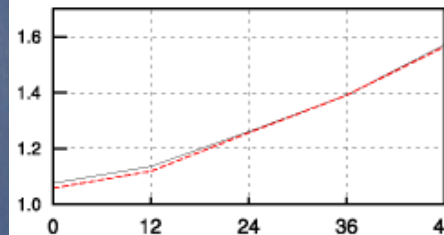
Difference AM10E - ALUHU



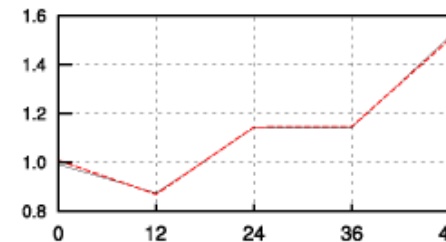
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TEMPERATURE (RMSE)



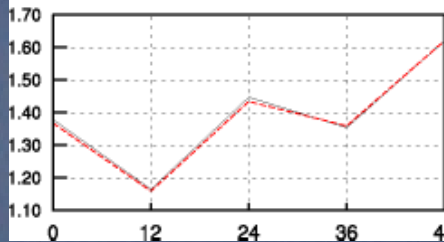
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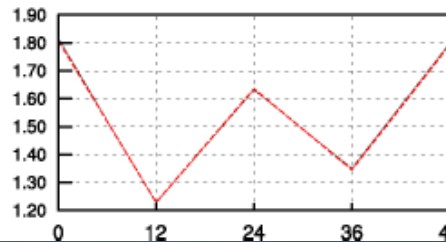
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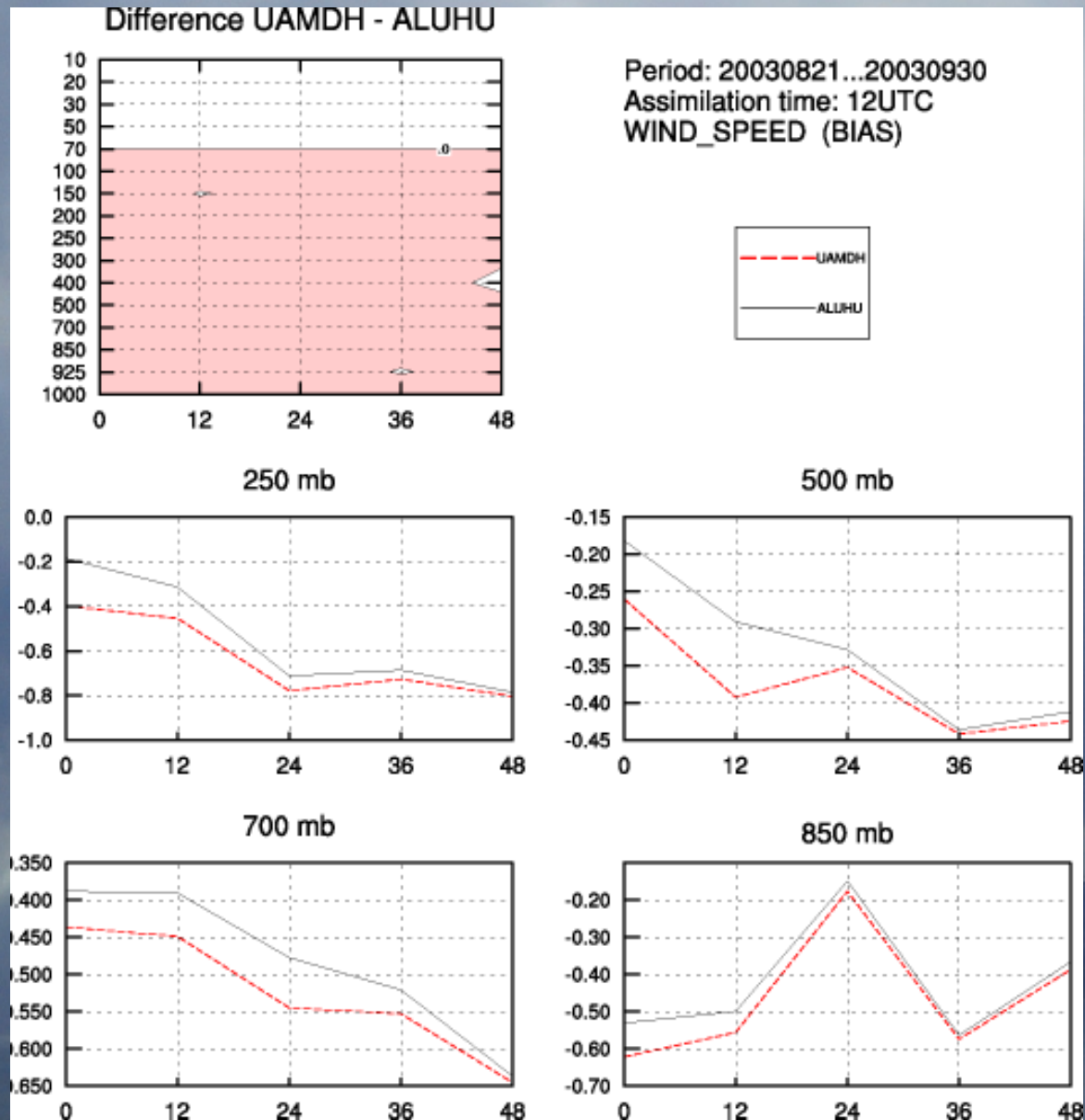


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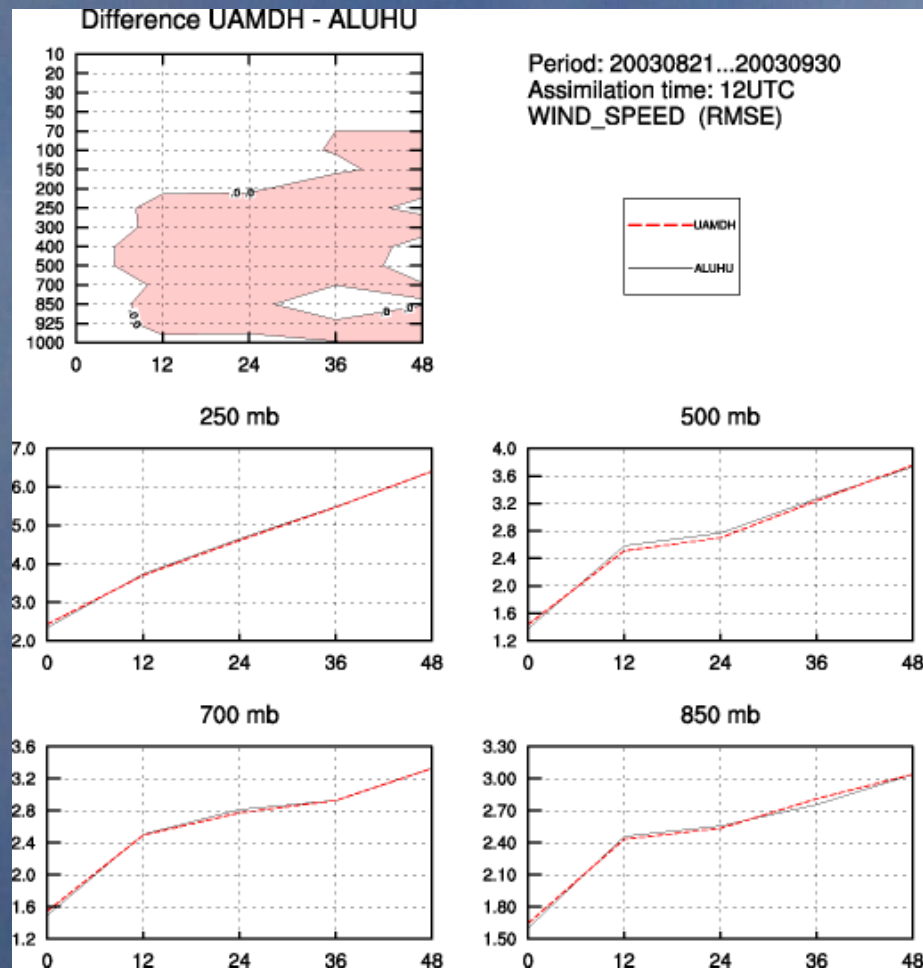
EUCOS AMDAR (10km, $T \pm 1$ hour)
compared to the **CONTROL** run

Bias of the wind speed (AMDAR data are assimilated at 170 km)

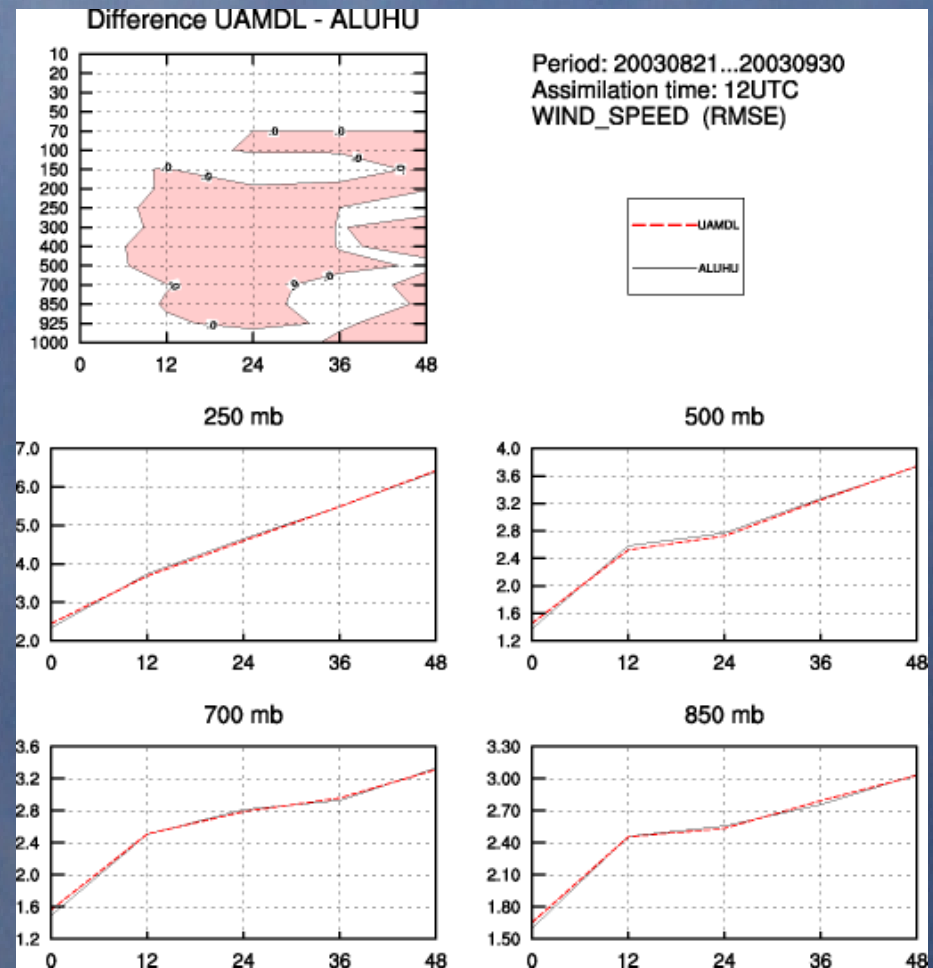


local AMDAR (170km, $T \pm 3$ hour) compared to the CONTROL run

Root Mean Square Error of the wind speed (AMDAR data are assimilated at 170 km)



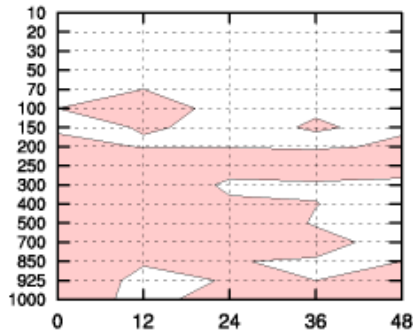
local AMDAR (170km, $T \pm 3$ hour)
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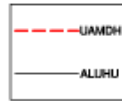
EUCOS AMDAR (170km, $T \pm 3$ hour)
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Root Mean Square Error of the relative humidity (AMDAR data are assimilated at 170 km)

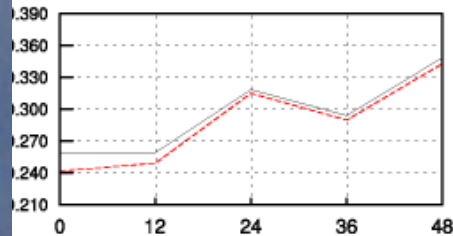
Difference UAMDH - ALUHU



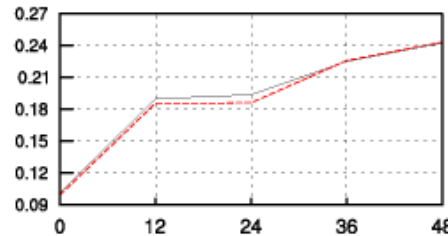
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RELATIVE_HUMIDITY (RMSE)



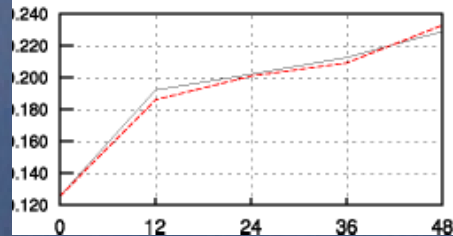
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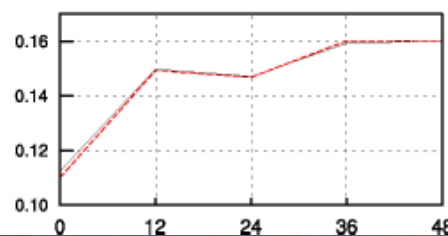
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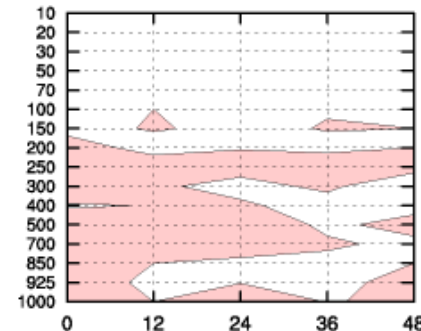


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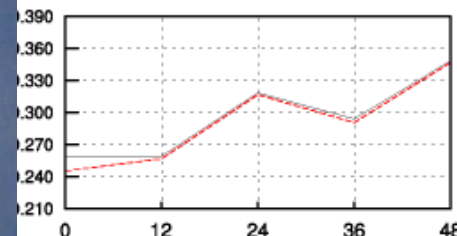
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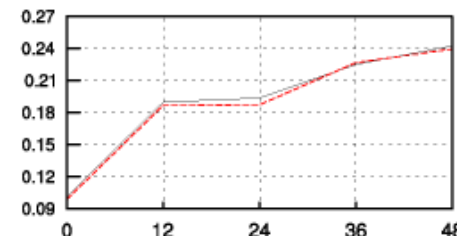
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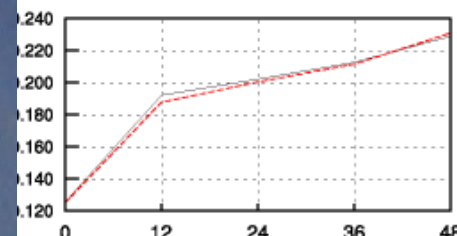
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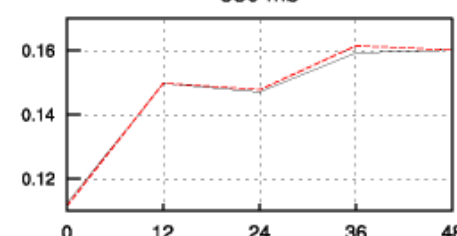
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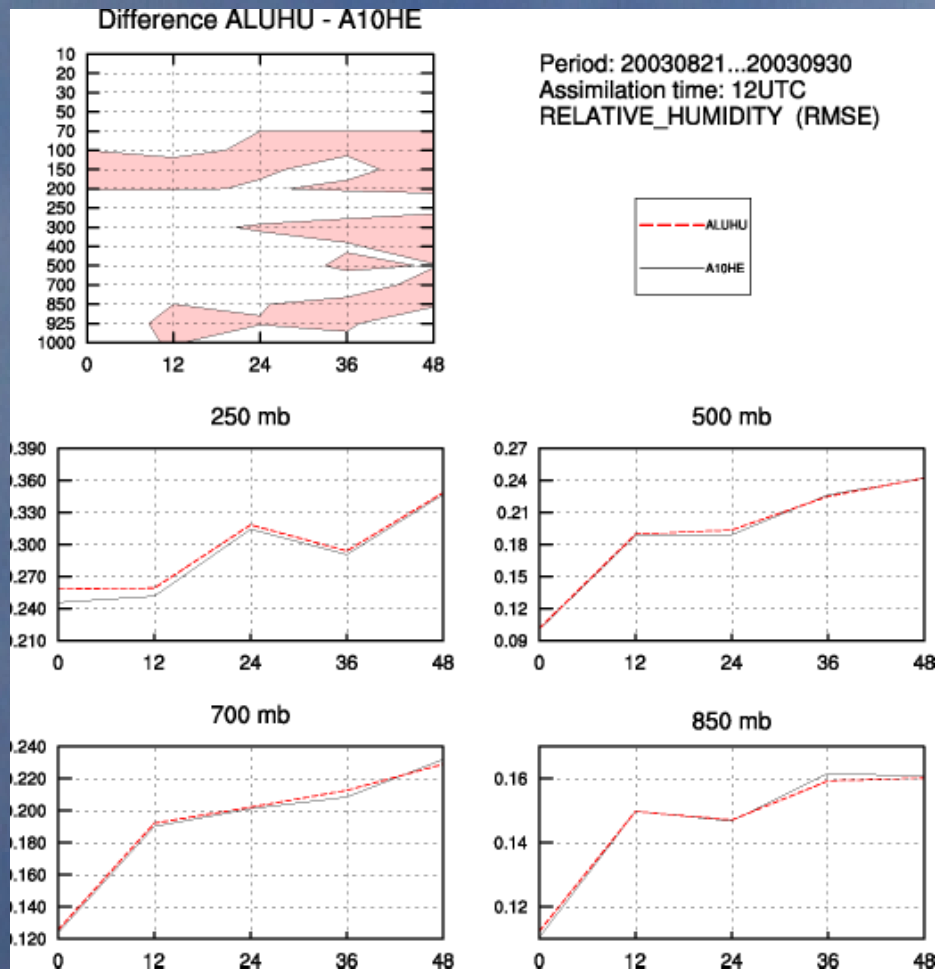


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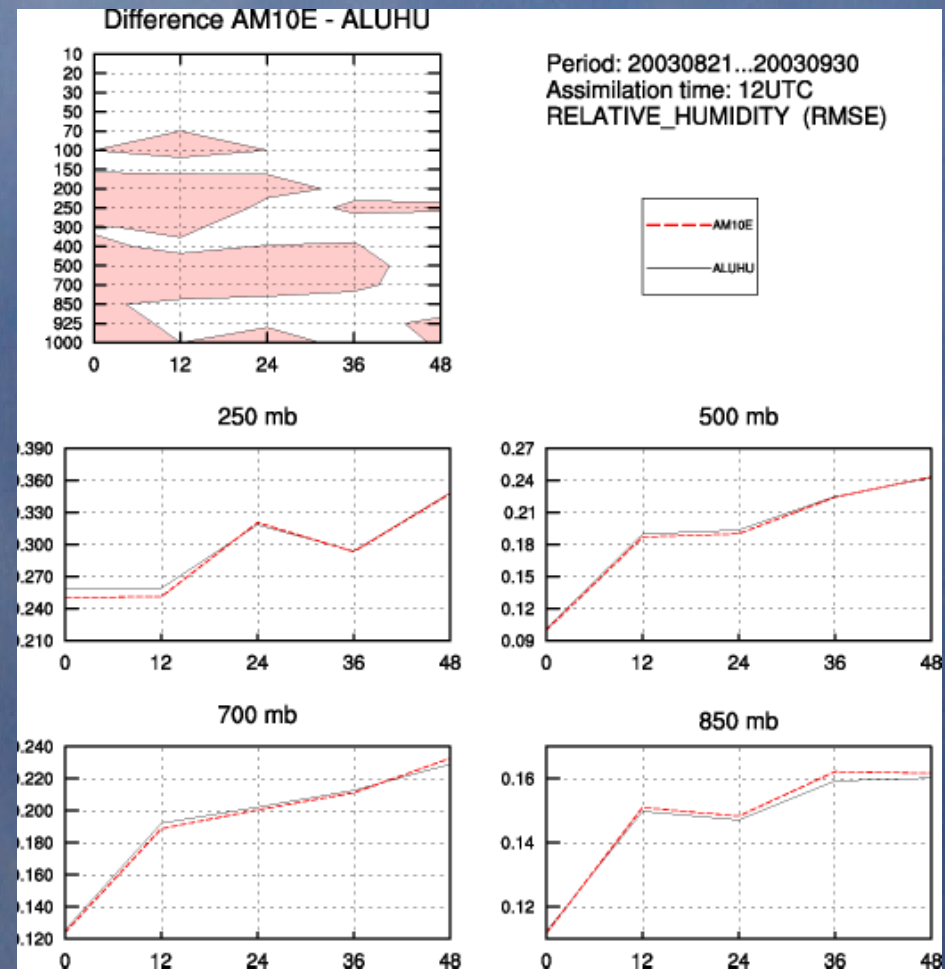


EUCOS AMDAR (170km, $T \pm 3$ hour)
compared to the **CONTROL** run

Root Mean Square Error of the relative humidity (AMDAR data are assimilated at 10 km)



local AMDAR (10km, $T \pm 1$ hour)
compared to the **CONTROL** run



EUCOS AMDAR (10km, $T \pm 1$ hour)
compared to the **CONTROL** run

Comparison of the forecast against the ARPEGE long cut-off analysis

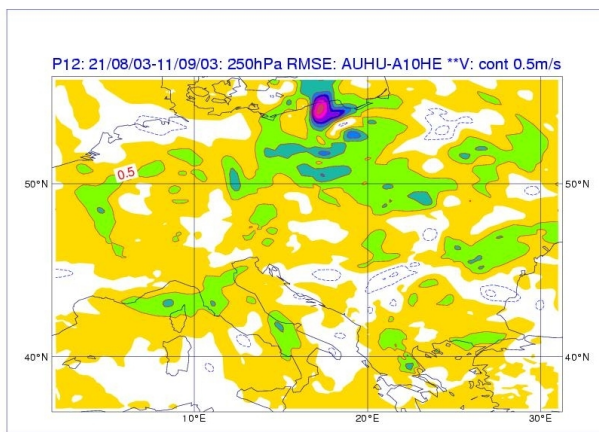
Period: 2003.08.21. – 2003.09.11.

(22 days)

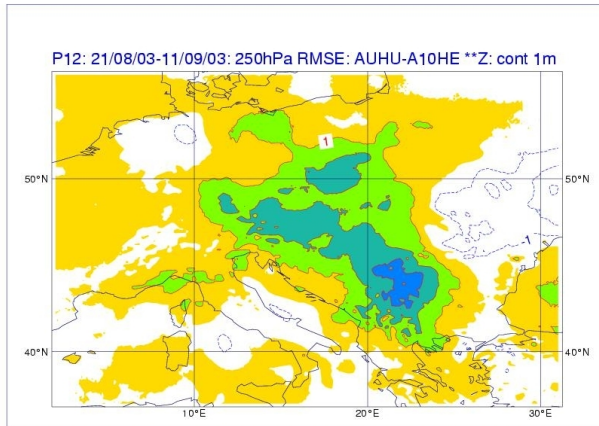
local AMDAR (10km, $T \pm 1$ hour) compared to the CONTROL

run

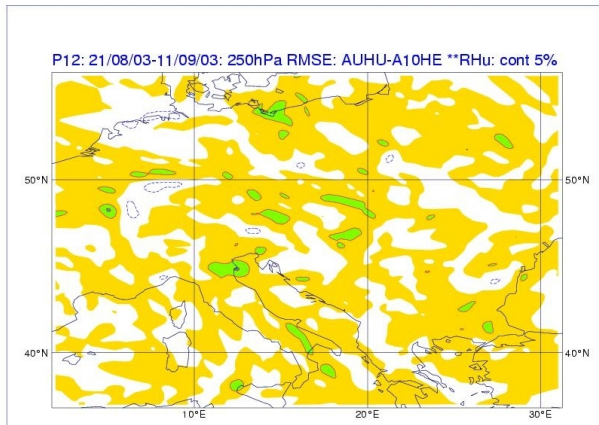
Wind speed
12 h forecast
250 hPa



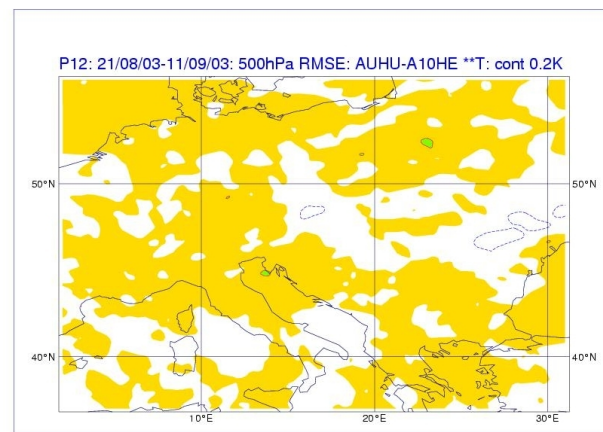
Geopotential
12 h forecast
250 hPa



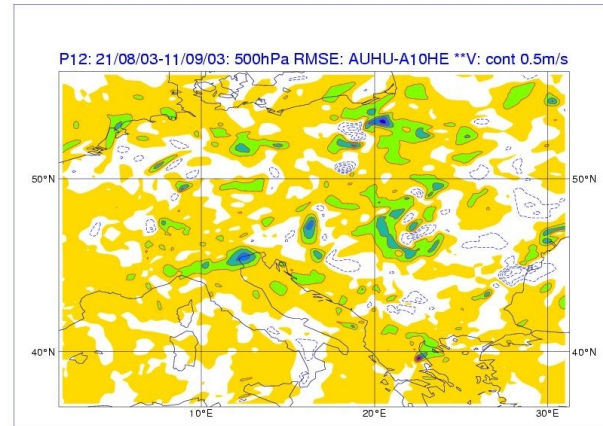
Rel. humidity
12 h forecast
250 hPa



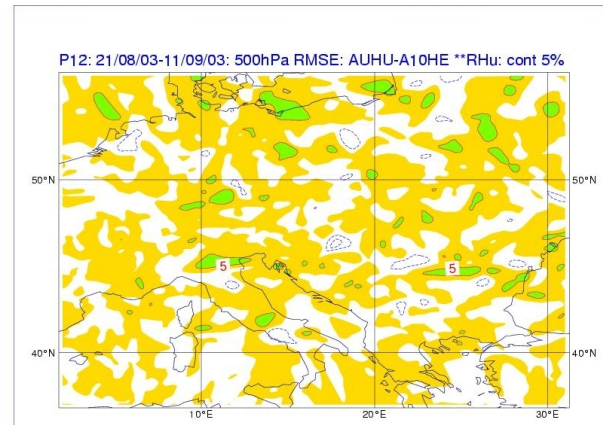
Temperature
12 h forecast
500 hPa



Wind speed
12 h forecast
500 hPa



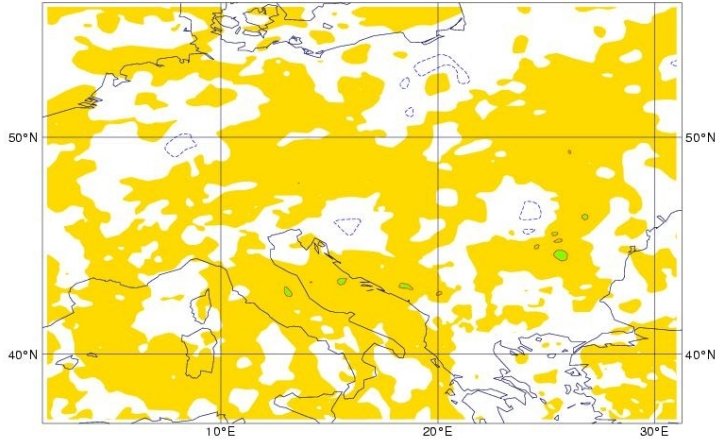
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12 h forecast
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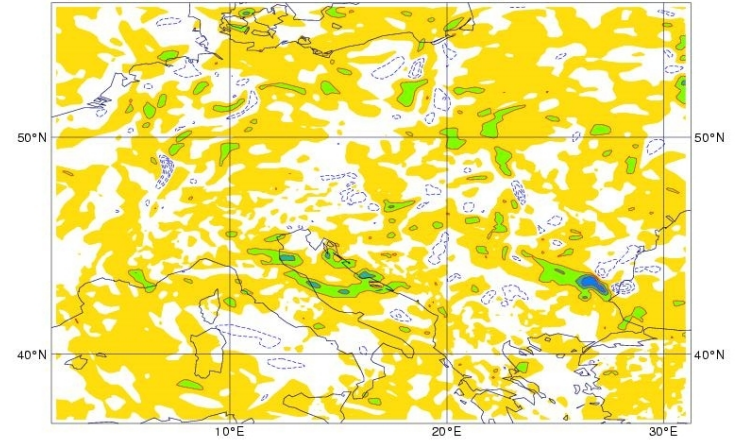
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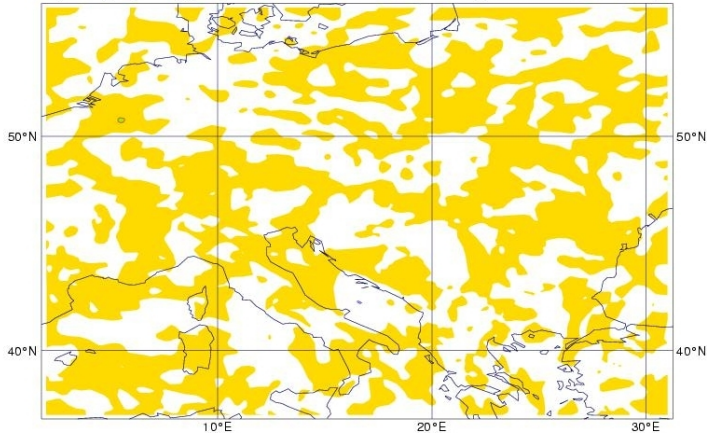
Temperature, 12 h forecast, 850 hPa

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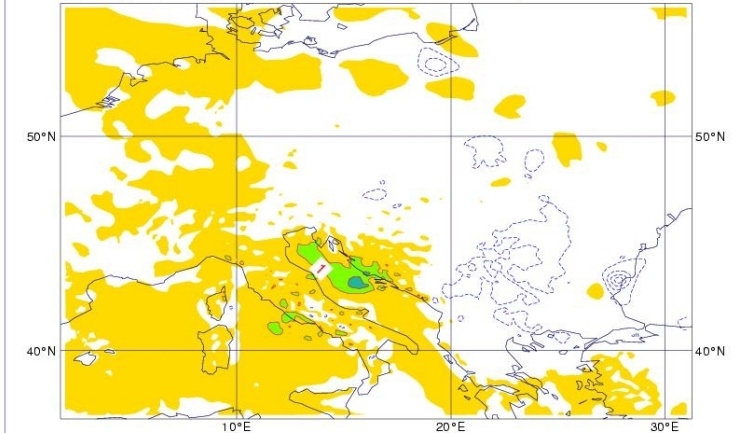
Wind speed, 12 h forecast, 850 hPa

P12: 21/08/03-11/09/03: 850hPa RMSE: AUHU-A10HE **RHu: cont 5%



Relative humidity, 12 h forecast, 850 hPa

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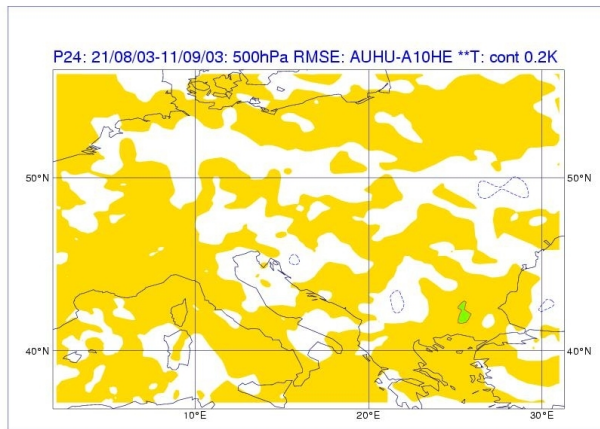


Geopotential height, 12 h forecast, 850 hPa

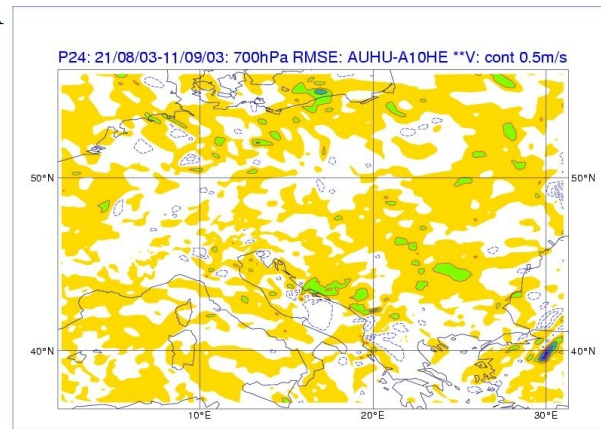
local AMDAR (10km, $T \pm 1$ hour) compared to the CONTROL

run

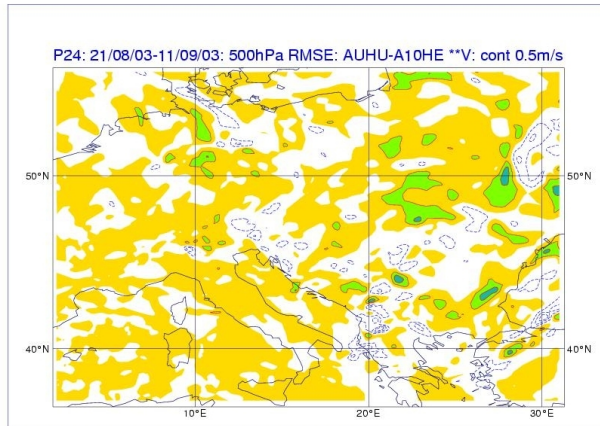
Temperature
24 h forecast
500 hPa



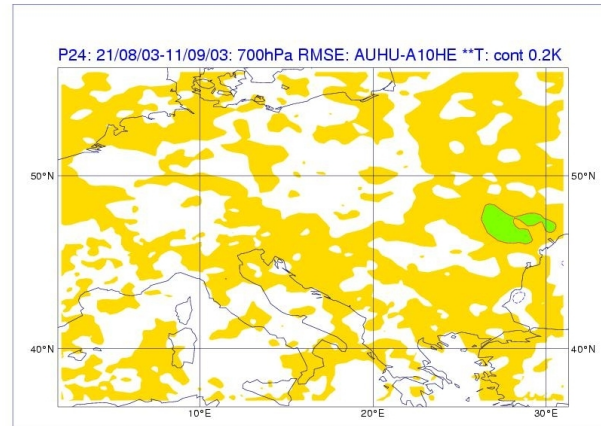
Wind speed
24 h forecast
700 hPa



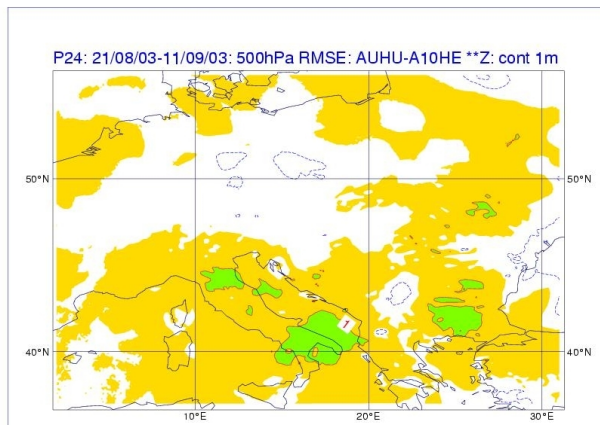
Wind speed
24 h forecast
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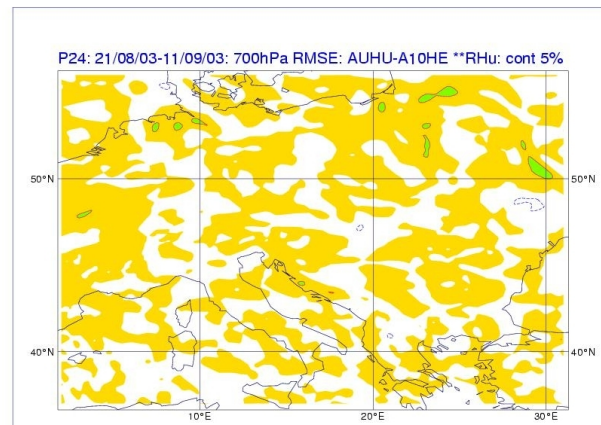
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700 hPa



Geopotential
24 h forecast
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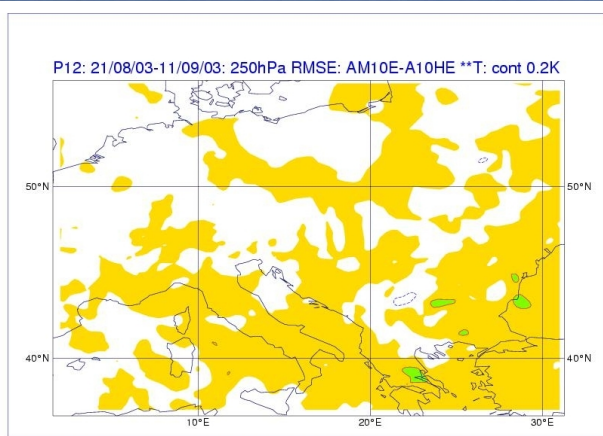


Rel. humidity
24 h forecast
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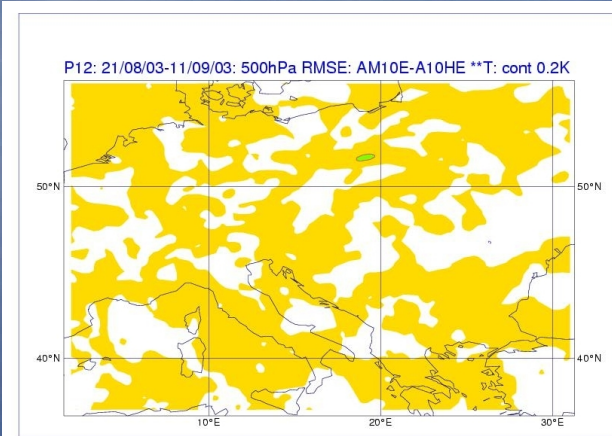


local AMDAR compared to the *EUCOS AMDAR* assimilated at 10 km

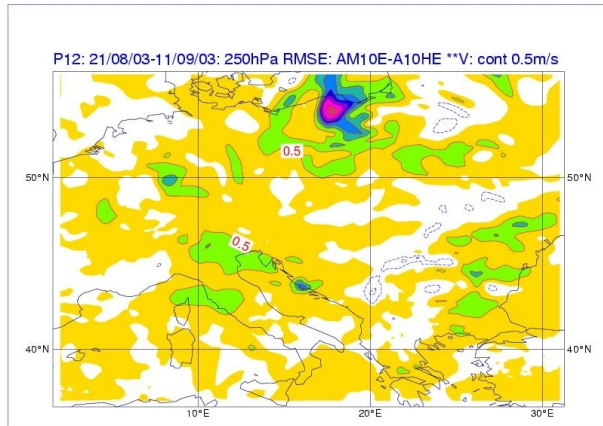
Temperature
12 h forecast
250 hPa



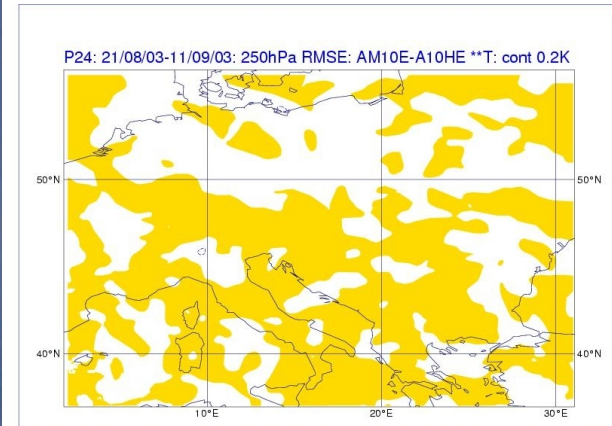
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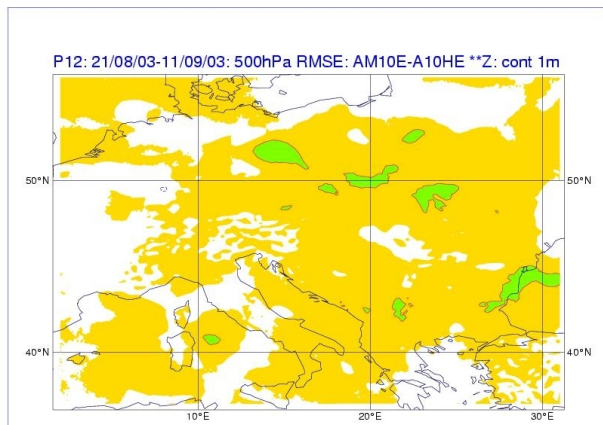
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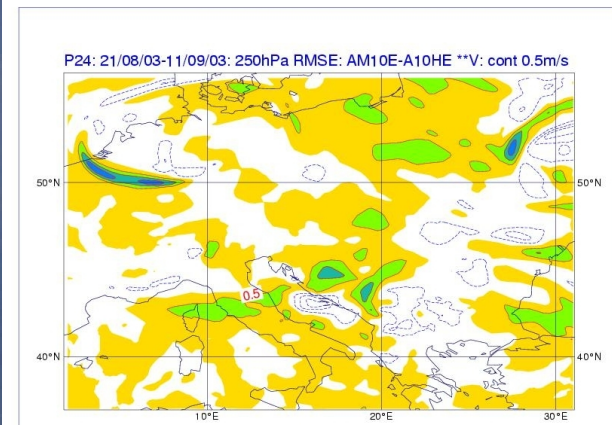
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24 h forecast
250 hPa



Geopotential
12 h forecast
500 hPa

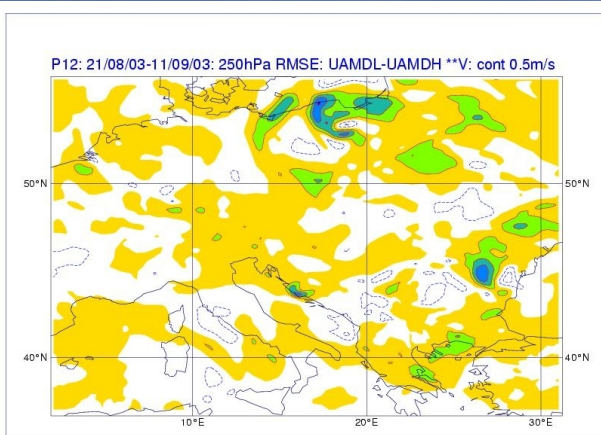


Wind speed
24 h forecast
250 hPa

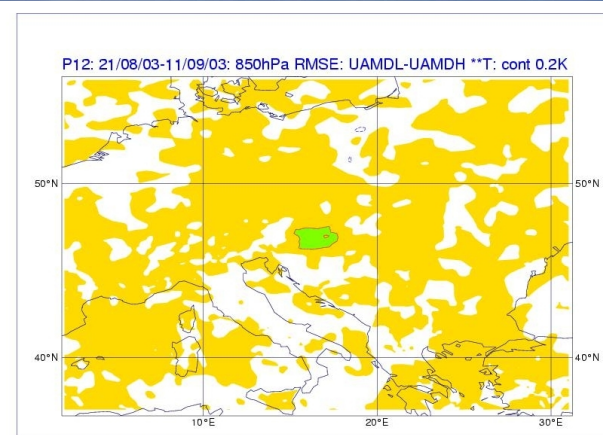


local AMDAR compared to the EUCOS AMDAR assimilated at 170 km

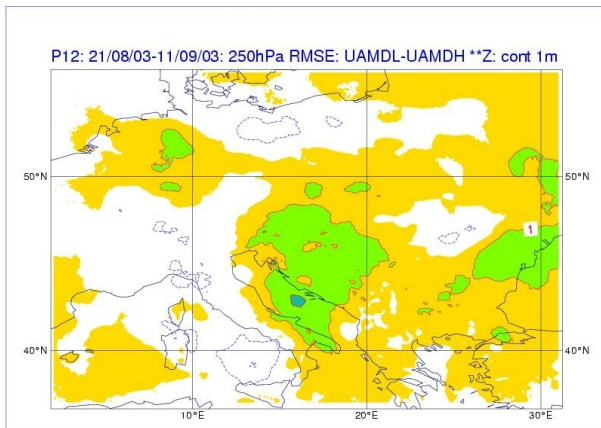
Wind speed
12 h forecast
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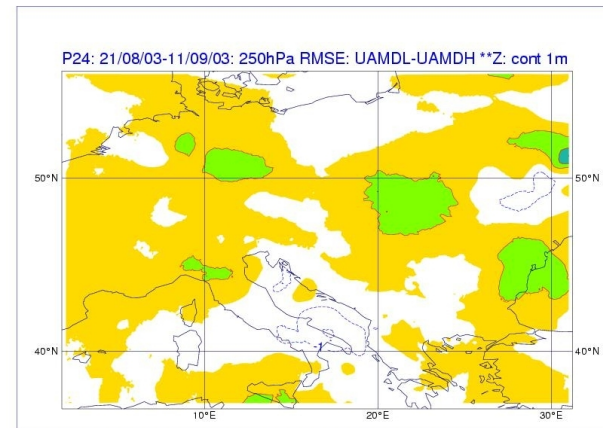
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12 h forecast
850 hPa



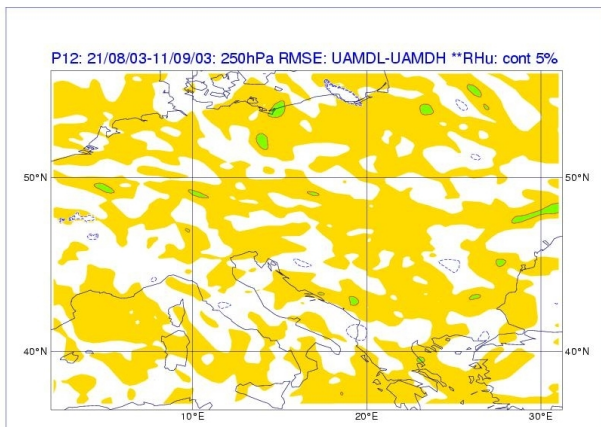
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12 h forecast
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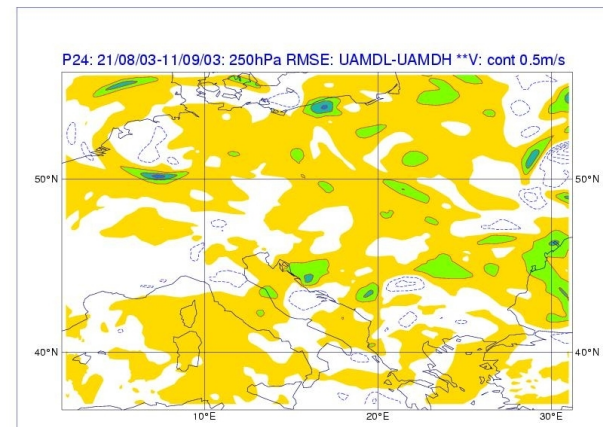
Geopotential
24 h forecast
250 hPa



Rel. humidity
12 h forecast
250 hPa

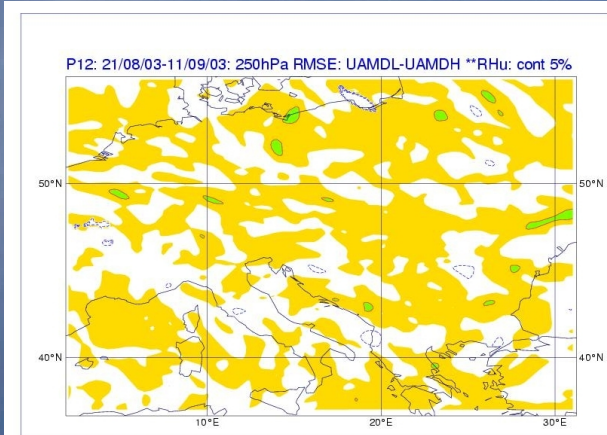
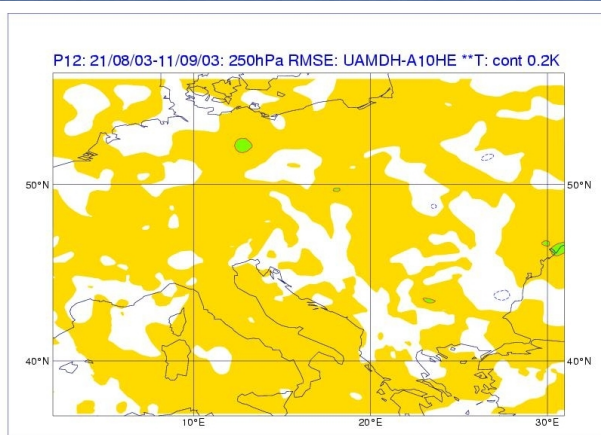


Wind speed
24 h forecast
250 hPa



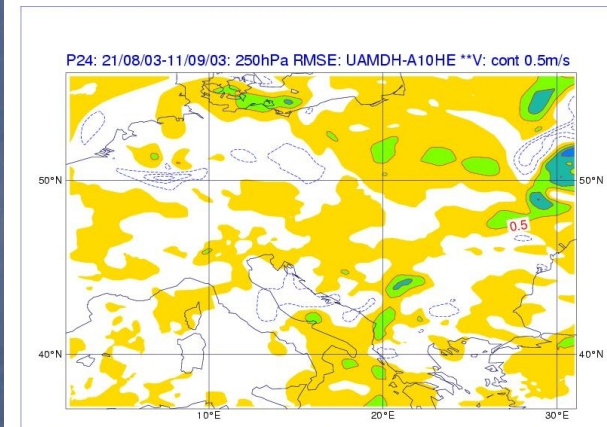
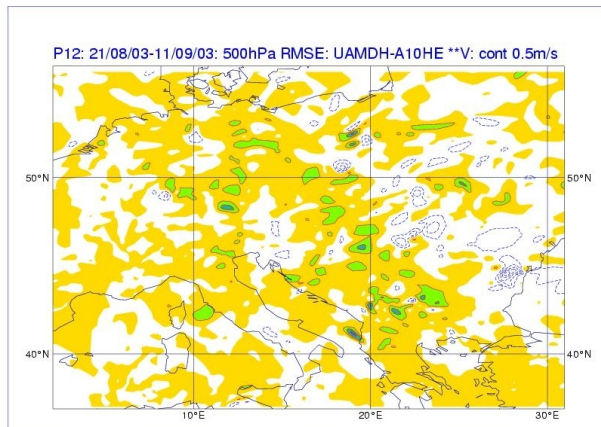
local AMDAR compared at two different (10 km and 170 km) thinning distances

Temperature
12 h forecast
250 hPa



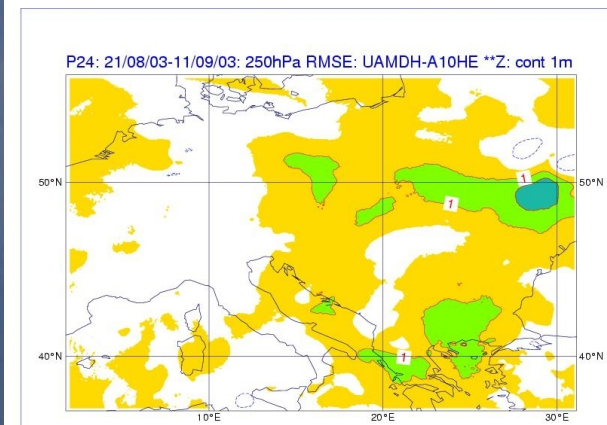
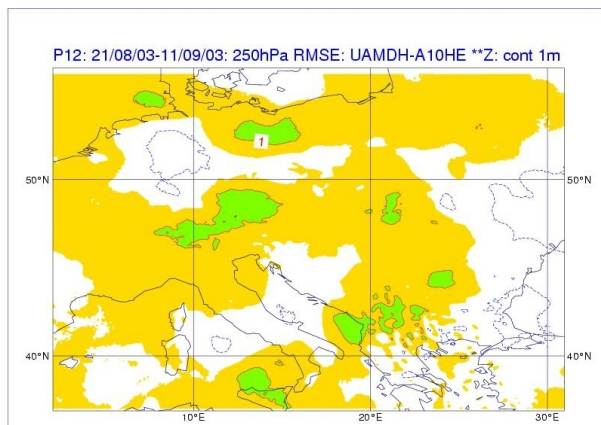
Rel. humidity
12 h forecast
250 hPa

Wind speed
12 h forecast
500 hPa



Wind speed
24 h forecast
250 hPa

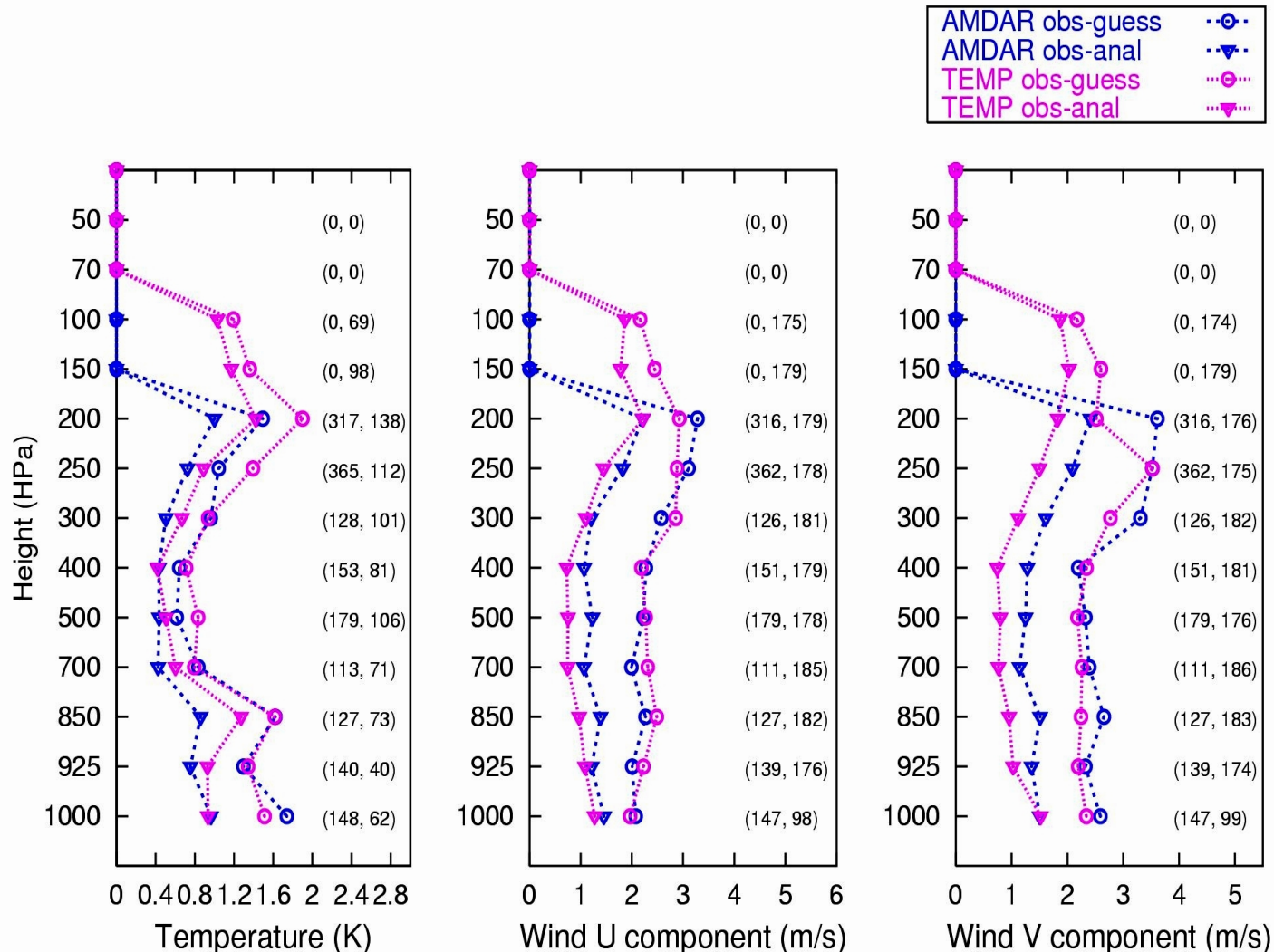
Geopotential
12 h forecast
250 hPa



Geopotential
24 h forecast
250 hPa

RMSE values for temperature and wind components

Obs-guess and obs-anal RMSE values for temperature and wind (U,V) component



Our choice for next observations to be assimilated

→ ATOVS AMSU-B (locally received and pre-processed data)

- Retransmitted radiances from EUMETSAT

(we are waiting for CY28T1)

→ MSG clear-sky radiances (locally pre-processed)

(we are waiting for CY28T1)

→ Wind profiler data (local measurements + from GTS)

(Regina had already started to “recognise” the available data)


→ SATOB cloud motion wind data

- We will probably use the output of the SAF NWC package
(locally pre-processed data, NOT from GTS)

(the work will start as soon as data are available)

Summary

- More stable results were guaranteed by the LAMbias correction file when assimilating the ATOVS data
- Although some problems, related to the pre-processing of AMDAR data have been solved, solution should be found to handle multiple profiles from the same airport at the same assimilation time
- Positive impact of the AMDAR data on temperature, windspeed, humidity and geopotential height fields were found in the short-range forecasts of the ALADIN/HU model
- Further studies should be performed regarding the observation errors specific to AMDAR data



Thank you for your kind attention !

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