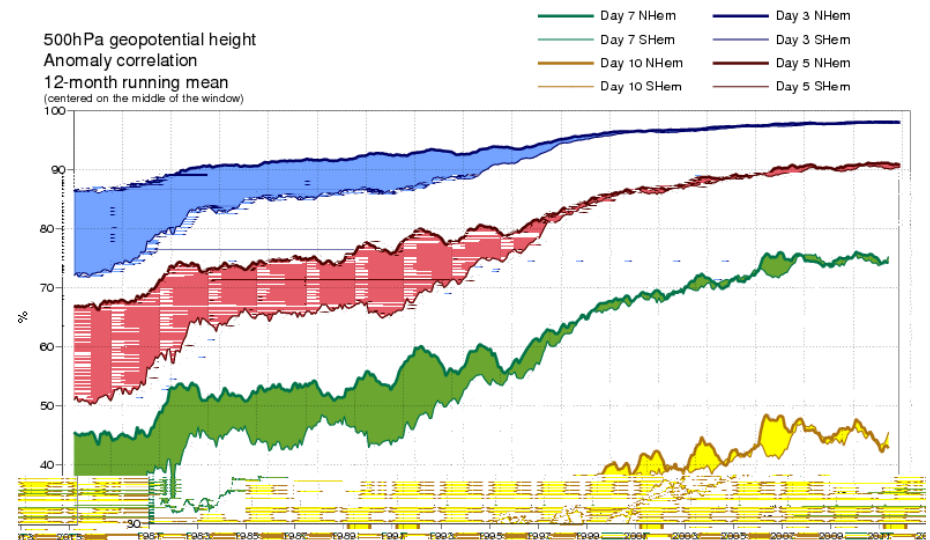


ECMWF Research: a member state perspective

Sarah Jones, DWD

with contributions from all around Germany

... of ECMWF leading
medium-range
weather forecasting



Atmospheric physics
Ocean reanalysis
Assimilation Methods

Atmospheric dynamics

Atmospheric composition

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ERA 20C Forecast evaluation

Land ERA Interim

Coupled Earth system reanalysis

Modelling and Prediction Marine

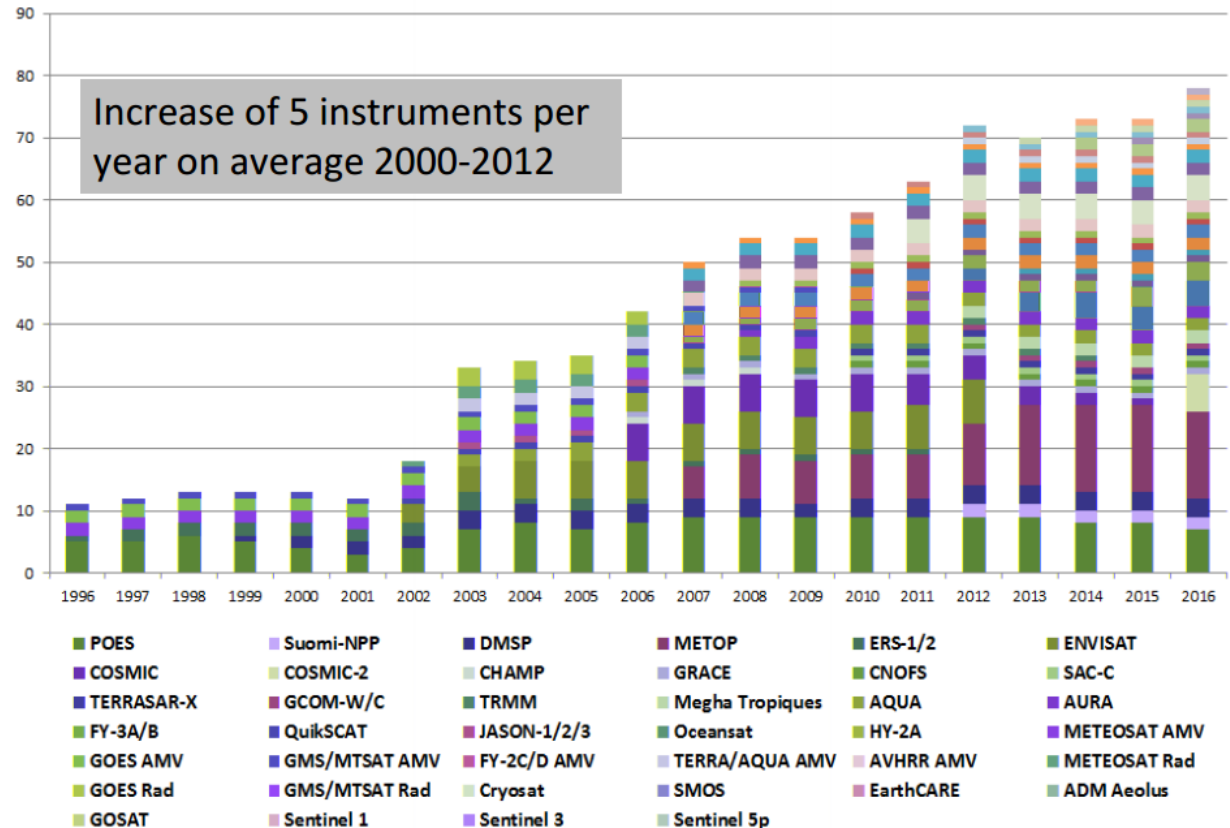
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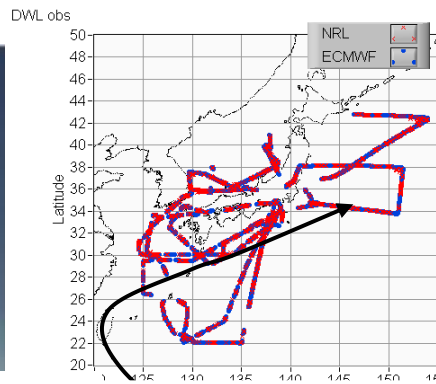
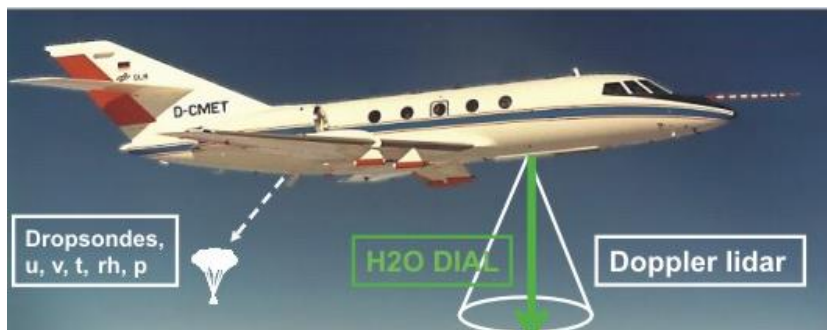
Quantifying forecast uncertainty

....and ECMWF
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at the cutting edge

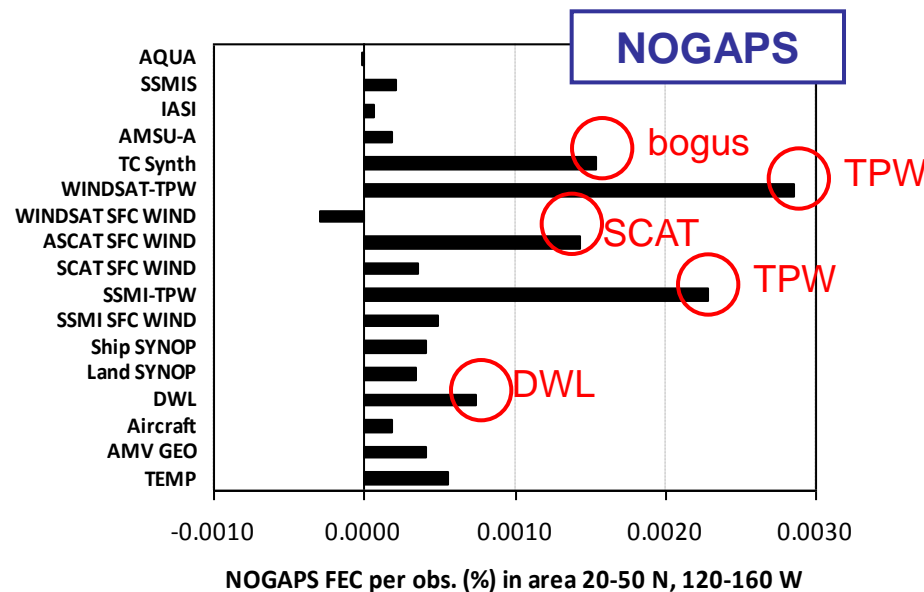
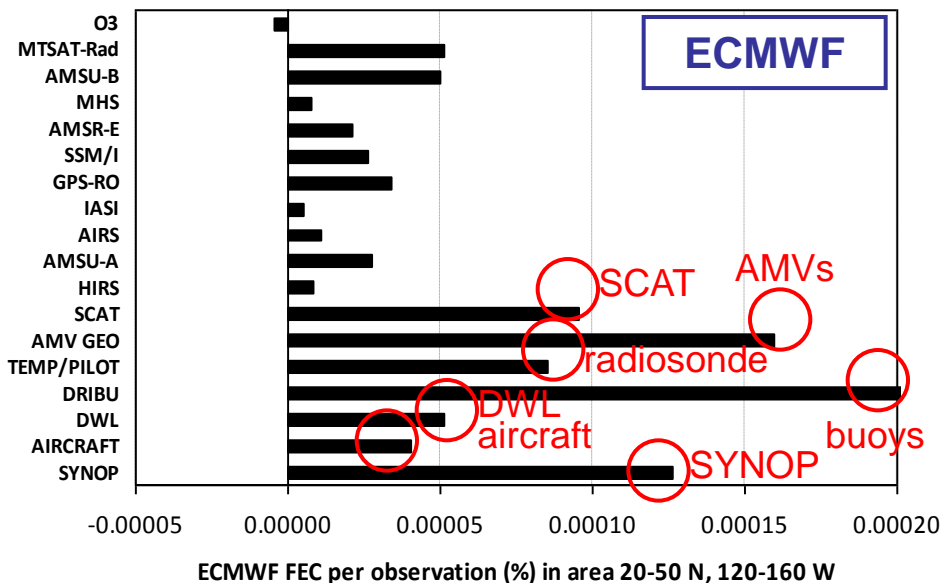
- ECMWF leading the use of satellite data for NWP
- .and pioneering soil moisture assimilation
- Exchange and collaboration crucial for German Universities and DWD



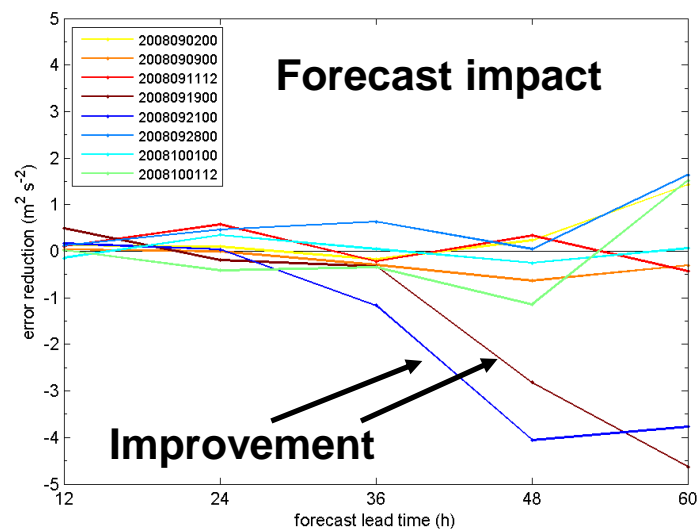
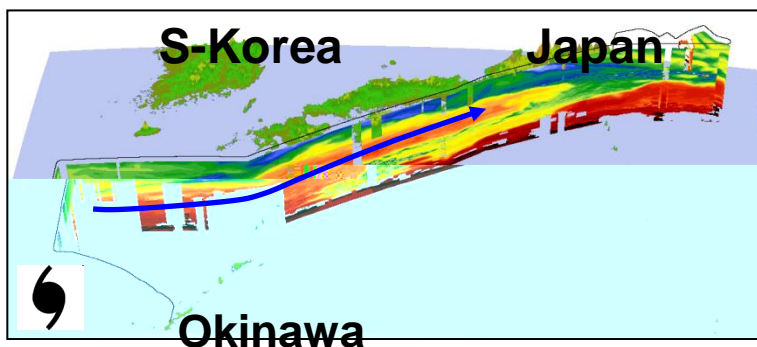
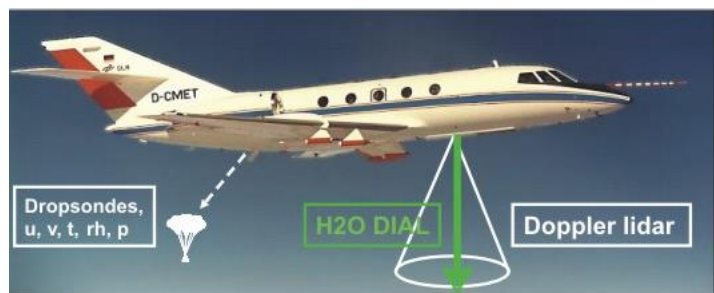
Doppler wind lidar (DWL) assimilation in ECMWF & NOGAPS



- DWL observations showed significant impact in two modelling systems
- Representative observations → comparably high impact



Water vapour lidar (DIAL) assimilation at ECMWF



- Observations from 8 flights assimilated in ECMWF system
- Verification with independent dropsondes shows analysis improvement
- Weak forecast impact in most cases, but improvement in two events with modified downstream development

(Harnisch, Weissmann, Cardinali and Wirth, 2011, QJRMS)

Forecast sensitivity to observations developed at ECMWF (Cardinali 2009) inspired research in Hans Ertel Centre using ensembles to evaluate sensitivity

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Research Article

Monitoring the observation impact on the short-range forecast

Carla Cardinali*

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Observation impact in a convective-scale localized ensemble transform Kalman filter

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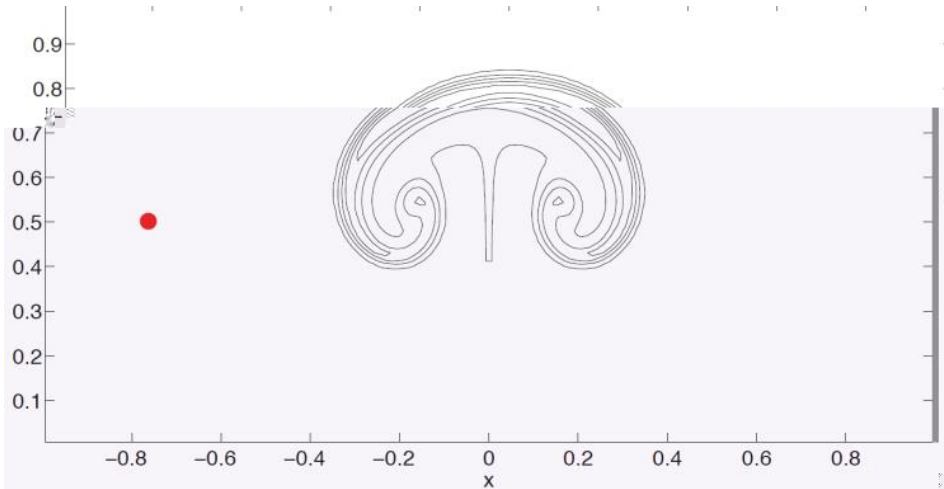
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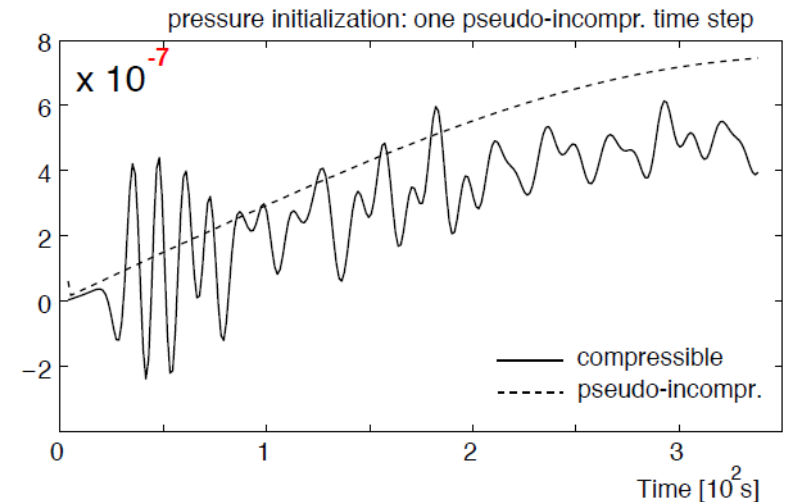
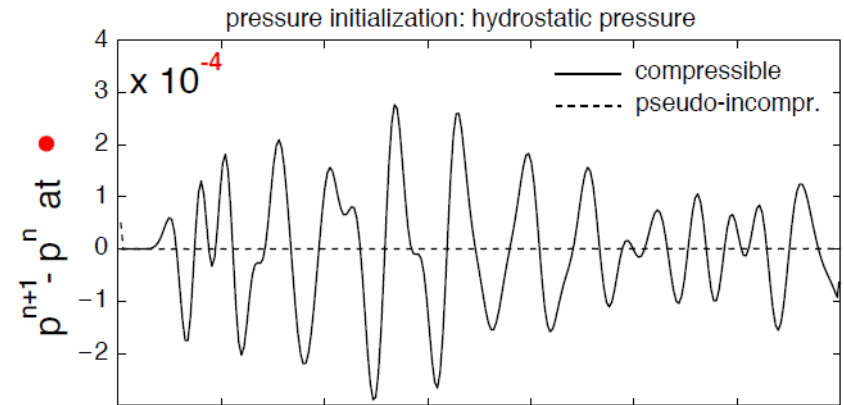
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Theory and Numerical Methods



- Investigate variants of reduced dynamical models for atmospheric motions, such as fully compressible, anelastic and their mathematical properties
- test novel numerical integrators that properly incorporate the limiting behaviors reflected in these reduced equations

Rupert Klein, Freie Universität Berlin,
ECMWF Fellow



ICON



Process	Authors	Scheme	Origin
Radiation	Mlawer et al. (1997) Barker et al. (2002)	RRTM (later with McICA McSI)	ECHAM6/IFS
	Ritter and Geleyn (1992)	δ two-stream	GME/COSMO
Non-orographic gravity wave drag	Scinocca (2003) Orr, Bechtold et al. (2010)	wave dissipation at critical level	IFS
Sub-grid scale orographic drag	Lott and Miller (1997)	blocking, GWD	IFS
Cloud cover	Doms and Schättler (2004)	sub-grid diagnostic	GME/COSMO
	Köhler et al. (new development)	diagnostic (later prognostic) PDF	ICON
Microphysics	Doms and Schättler (2004) Seifert (2010)	prognostic: water vapor, cloud water, cloud ice, rain and snow	GME/COSMO
Convection	Tiedtke (1989) Bechthold et al. (2008)	mass-flux shallow and deep	IFS
Turbulent transfer	Raschendorfer (2001)	prognostic TKE	COSMO
	Louis (1979)	1 st order closure	GME
	Neggers, Köhler, Beljaars (2010)	EDMF-DUALM	IFS
Land	Heise and Schrodin (2002), Machulskaya, Helmert, Mironov (2008, lake)	tiled TERRA + FLAKE + multi-layer snow	GME/COSMO

Physical Parametrisations for ICON / COSMO



ICON surface winds too strong over ocean

Introduced new Charnock coefficient using empirical formula to imitate wave model WAM in IFS

(Jean Bidlot and Peter Janssen, ECMWF)

Improvements in:

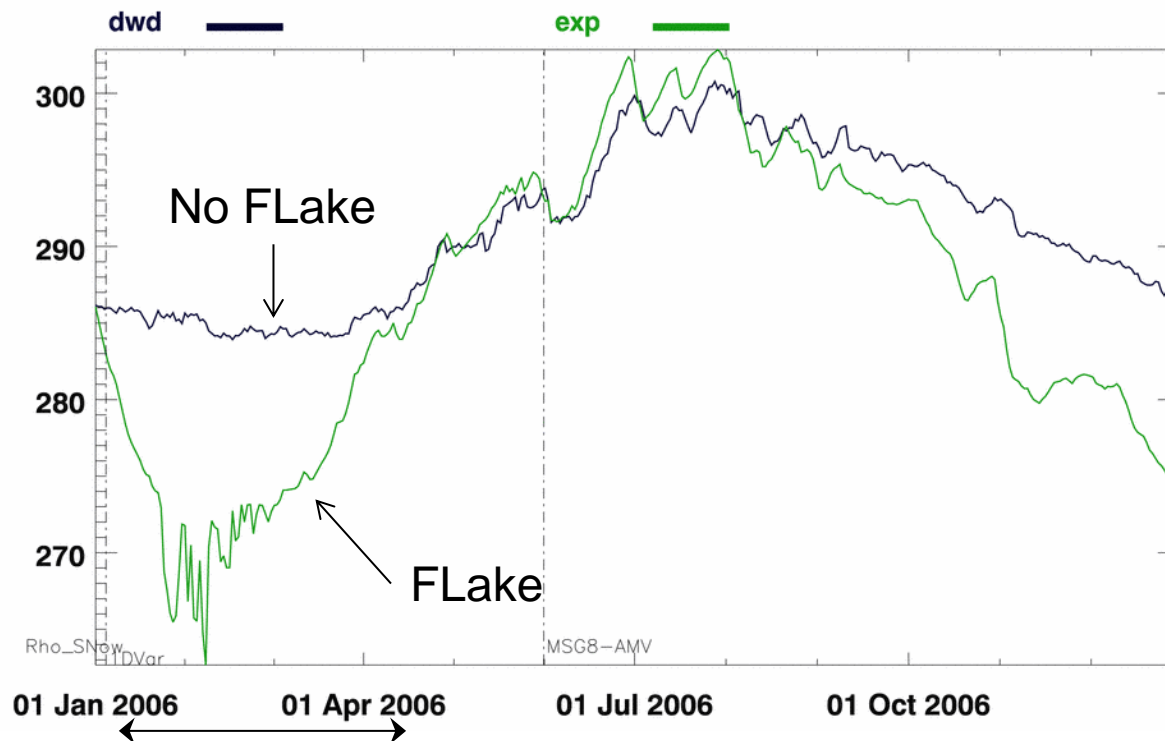
- ocean winds,
- Z, RH and T in atmosphere,
- wave height in off-line wave modell.

$$C_H \quad 0.0059 \quad 0.00054 \quad u_{10m} \quad 0.000041 \quad u_{10m}^2$$

Lake Model FLake (Mironov 2008 ; Mironov et al. 2010) improves 2m T in regions with many lakes

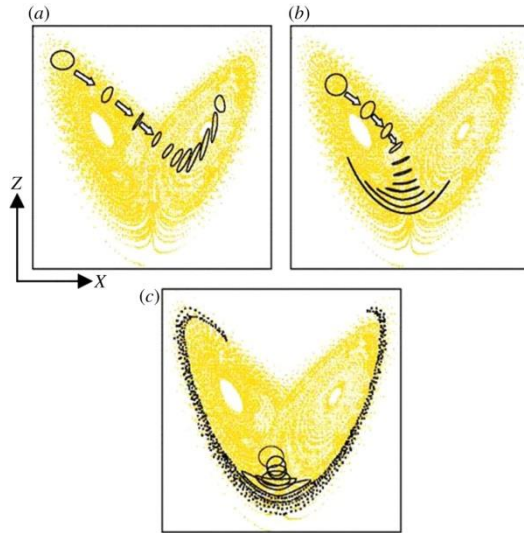
Collaboration DWD – ECMWF

Operational DWD since 2010, 2012, 2015; now operational in IFS



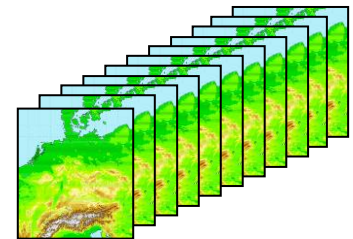
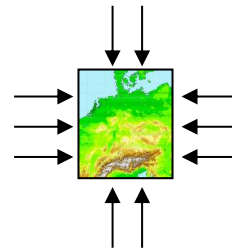
Lake Balaton frozen

Ensemble Forecasting

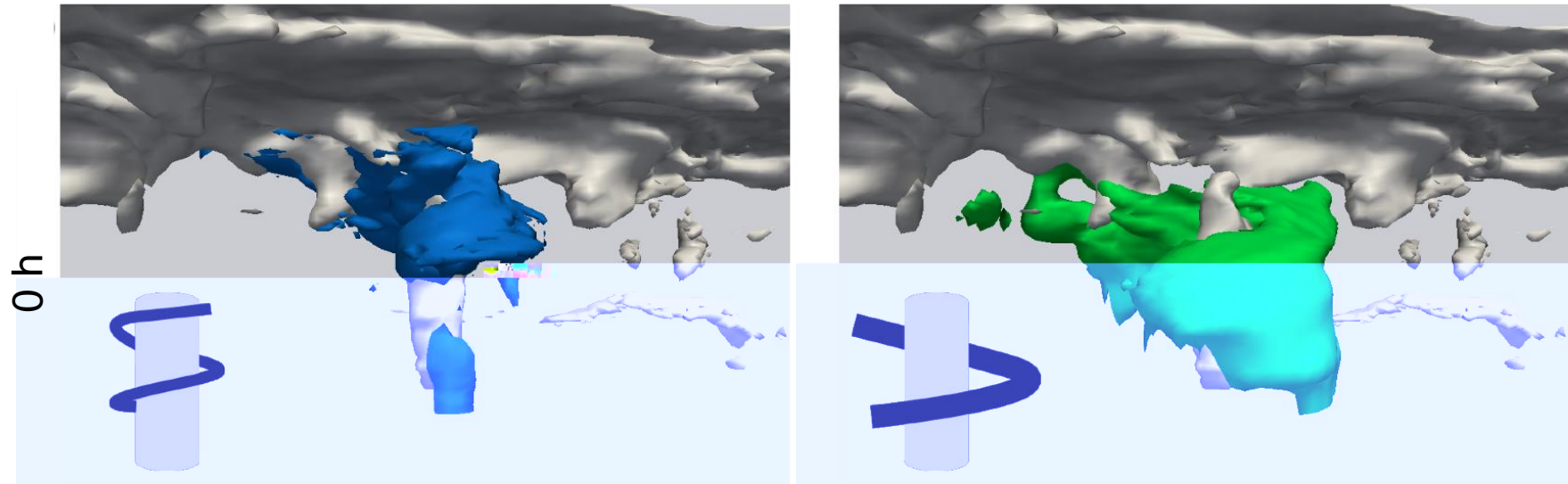


Palmer (2006)

e.g. Palmer *et al.* (1993), Molteni *et al.* (1996), Vitart (2004), Buizza *et al.* (2007), Leutbecher and Palmer (2008), Vitart *et al.* (2008),

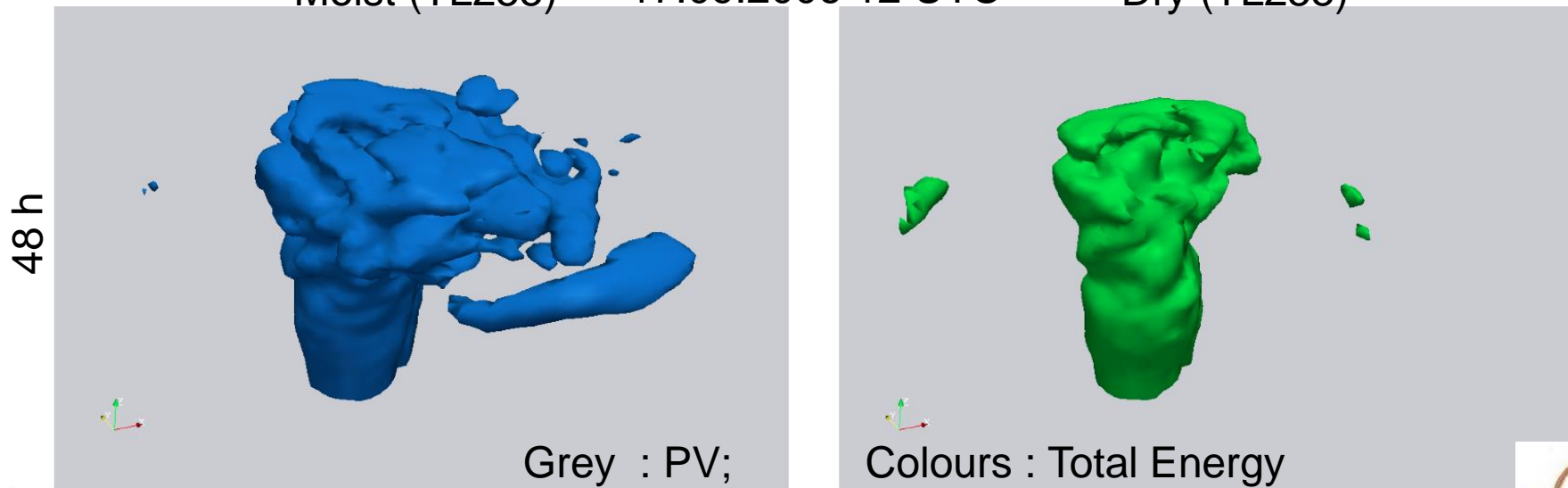


Singular Vectors for Extratropical Transition



Moist (TL255) 17.09.2006 12 UTC

Dry (TL255)



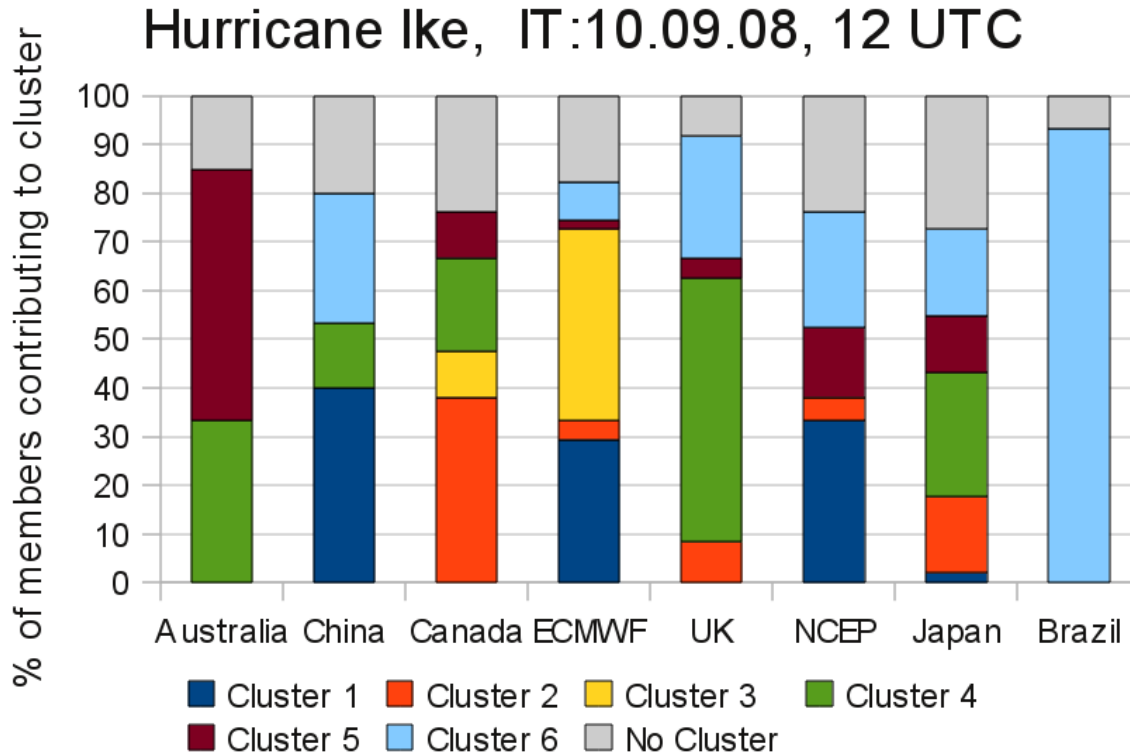
Grey : PV;

Colours : Total Energy

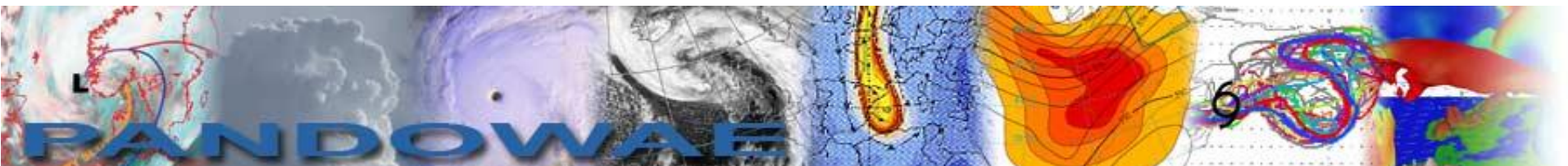
(Lang, Jones, Leutbecher, Peng, Reynolds, 2011; Lang, Leutbecher, Jones, 2012)

TIGGE: a dedicated research dataset

Properties of TIGGE Multimodel EPS during extratropical transition (ET)



Keller et al. (2011)

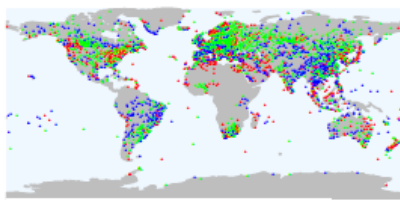


Statistical Postprocessing

Tilman Gneiting, Uni Heidelberg, ECMWF Fellow

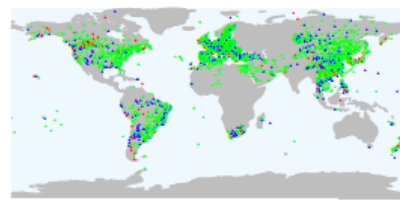
„the development of the ECMWF ensemble system has motivated and shaped much of my group's research on statistical post-processing “

e.g. Hemri, Scheuerer, Pappenberger, Bogner, and Haiden (2014)



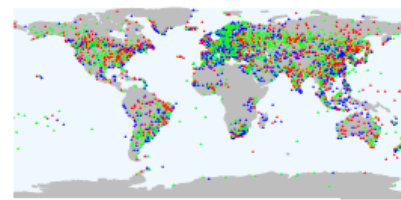
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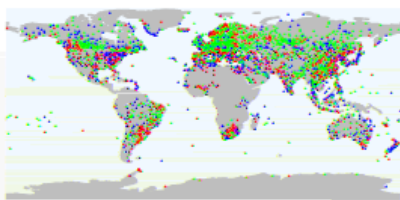
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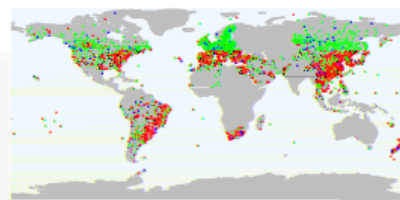
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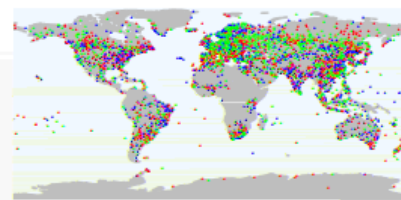
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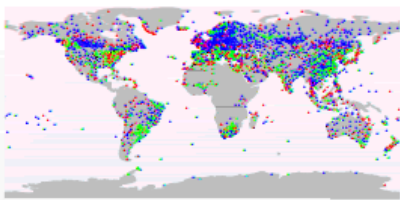
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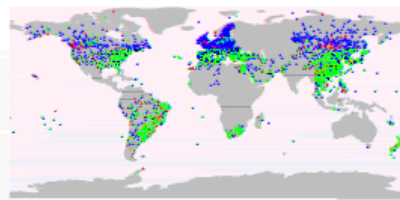
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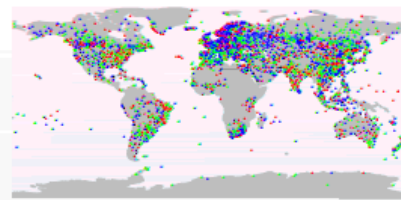
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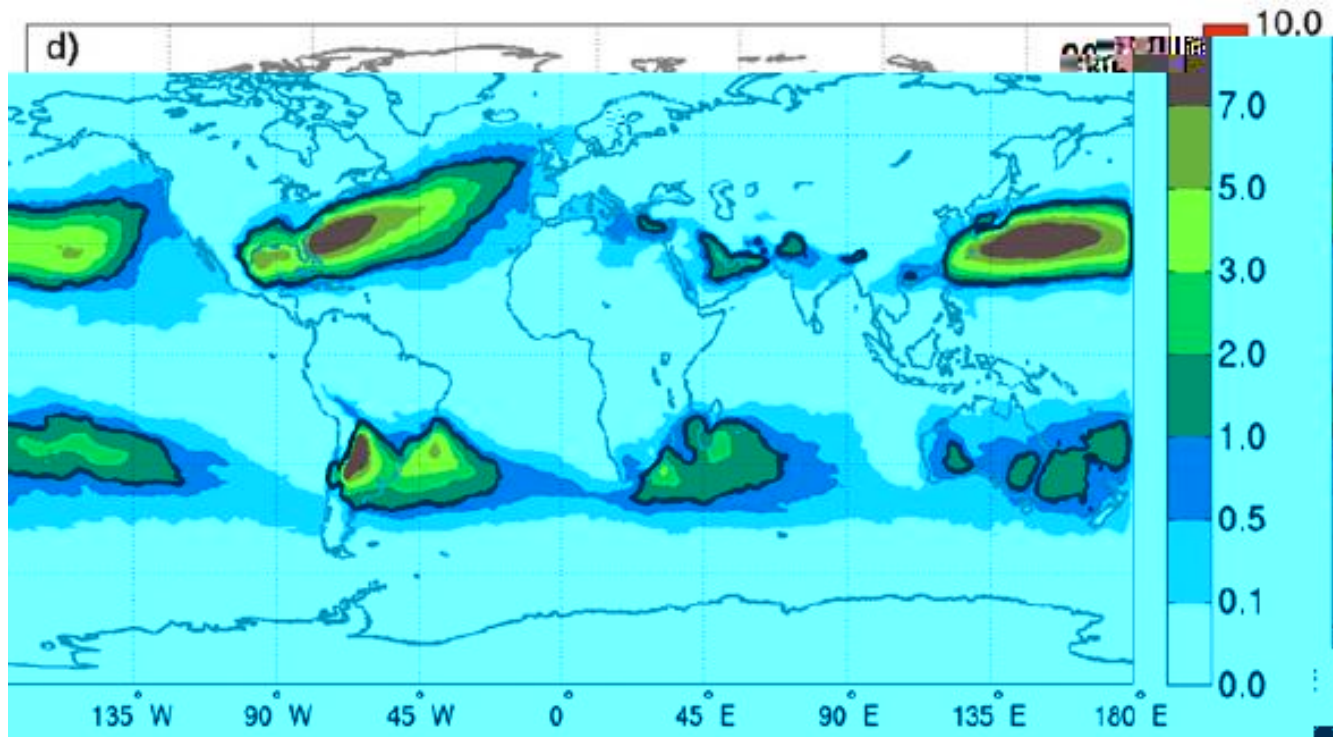


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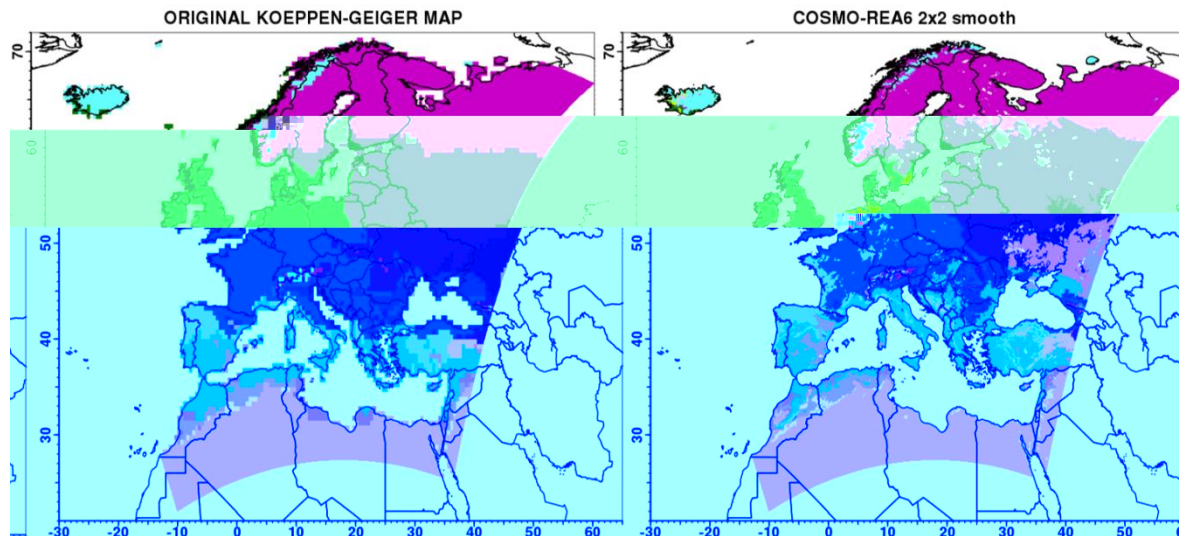
i) V10 - 10 d

Green dots: difference in skill between the raw ensemble and the postprocessed forecasts has remained about the same since 2002

Reanalysis



Hans Ertel Centre Climate Monitoring Branch: Uni Bonn, Uni Cologne, DWD



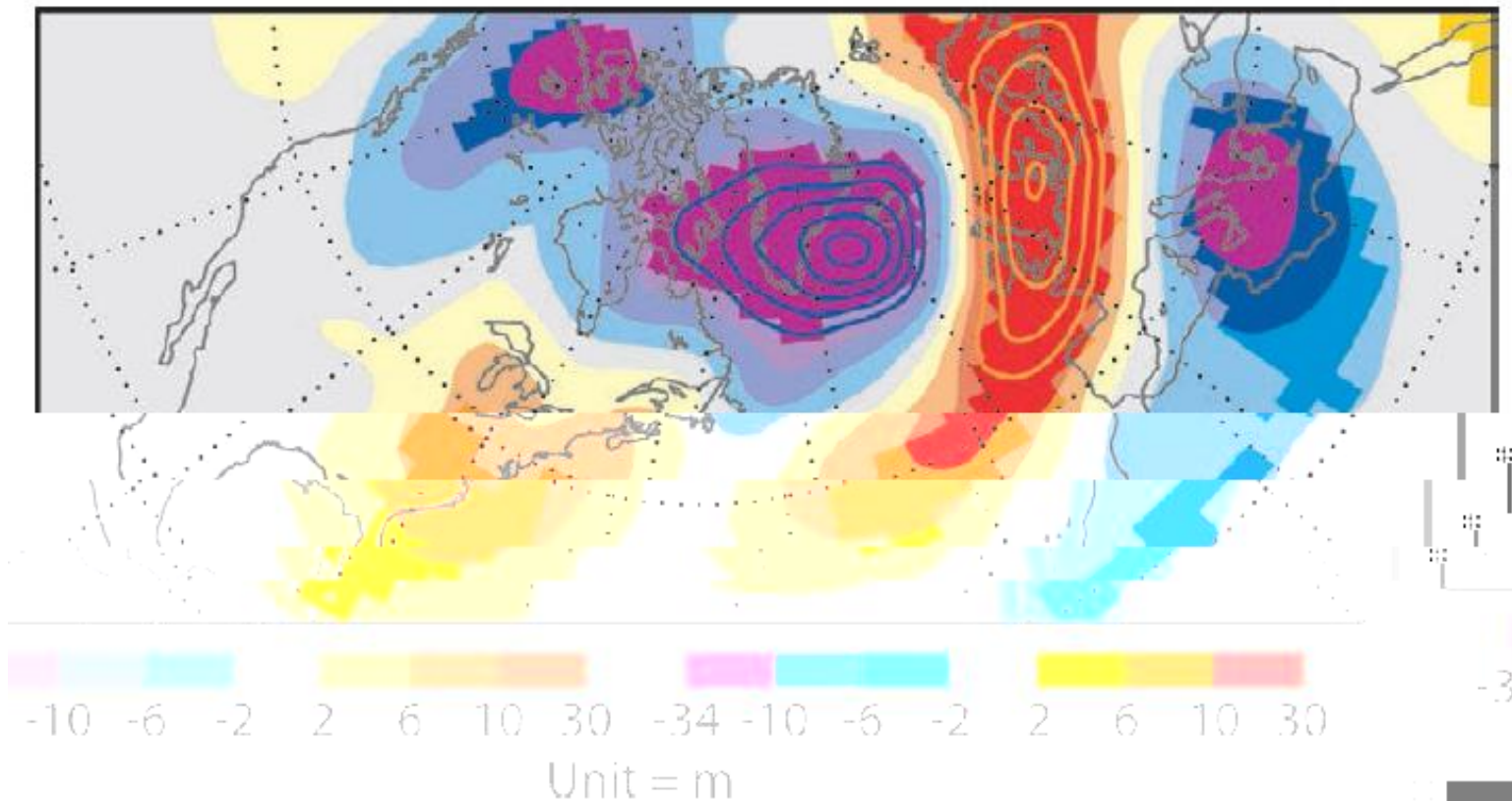
Standard Köppen-Geiger map of Europe after Kottek et al. (2006) (left) and as obtained from the European reanalysis COSMO-REA6 for the period 2007–2012, indicating a finer and slightly different distribution of the standard climate zones based on the regional reanalysis.

Lateral boundaries for COSMO-REA6 fro ERA Interim

Learning from Forecast Evaluation

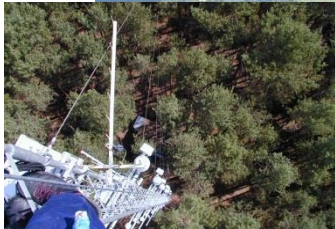
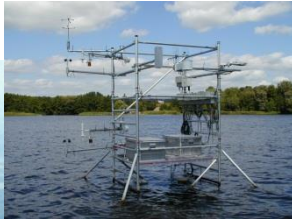
Rodwell et al. (2013): The mean Z500 verifying analysis anomaly averaged over 584 European bust events

→ Motivates process-based studies on flow situations leading to large forecast errors



Model validation

Met. Obs. Lindenberg: Energy Fluxes Over Different Surfaces



Met. Obs. Hohenpeißenberg: Atmospheric Composition (GAW)



Data Targeting System



- Interactive web-based system
- Developed by ECMWF in partnership with UK Met Office
- Funded by EU and EUCOS as part of Eurorisk PREVIEW

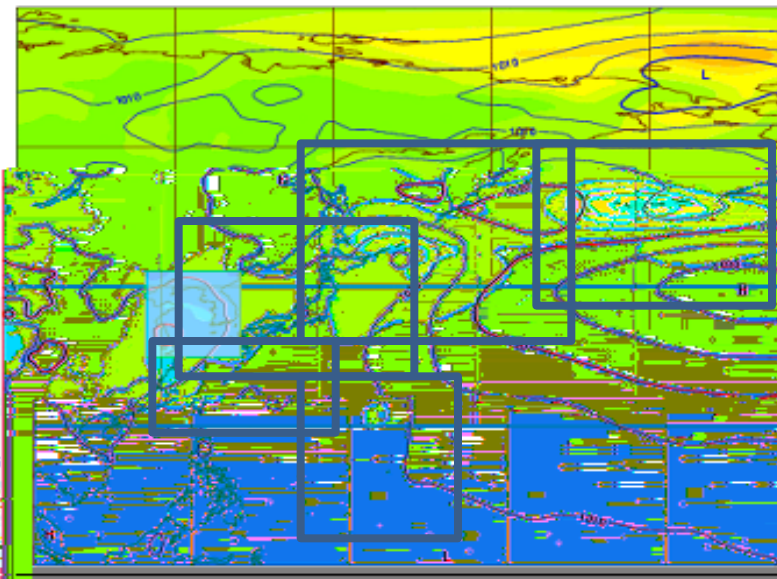
Case Proposal (T-PARC)

Case Proposal Deadline: 17/07/2008 at 09:00 UTC

Forecast Charts (EPS Mean/Spread):

2008071812 2008071900 2008071912 2008072000 2008072012 2008072100 2008072112 2008072200

Thursday 17 July 2008 00UTC ©ECMWF Ensemble Forecast t+060 VT: Saturday 19 July 2008 12UTC
Surface: Mean sea level pressure: Ensemble mean (contours, hPa) / Ensemble spread (shaded, hPa)



Sensitive Area Predictions (SAPs)

- Automatic submission of 5 fixed areas
- Up to 5 additional areas chosen interactively
- Flexible choice of targeting time (t + 18 to 102 h) and verification time (t + 36 to 120 h)

Proposed by: tparc_lead (17/07/2008 at 08:39 UTC)

Lat1: 42.2

Lon1: 117.9

Verification Time:

2008071912

Lat2: 30.3

Lon2: -123.6

Target Time:

2008071800

Case Description:

Region around forecast track of Kalmaegi

Customised for T-PARC by Cristina Prates, David Richardson, Cihan Sahin

Data Targeting System



- SAPs from up to 6 different centres displayed in common format
- Icons toggle between calculations from different centres and overlays
- > 500 individual cases during Aug.- Sept. 2008

SEP 2008

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Proposed Extra Observations

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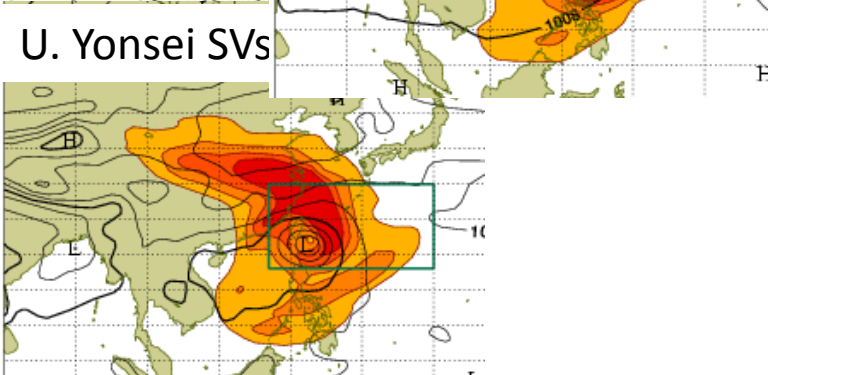
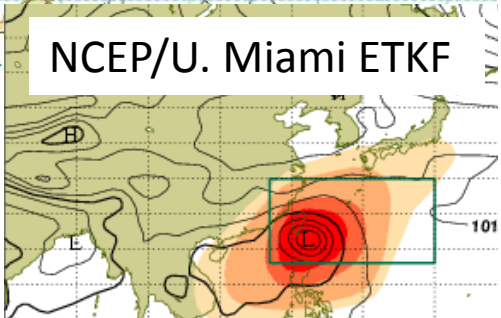
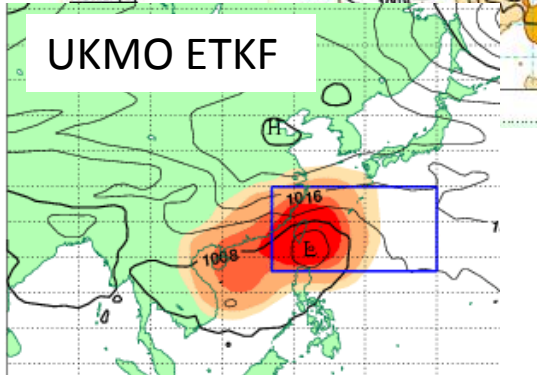
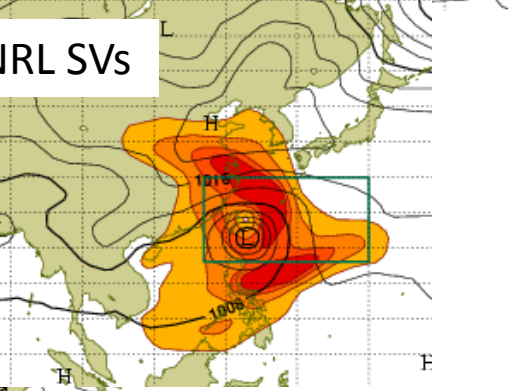
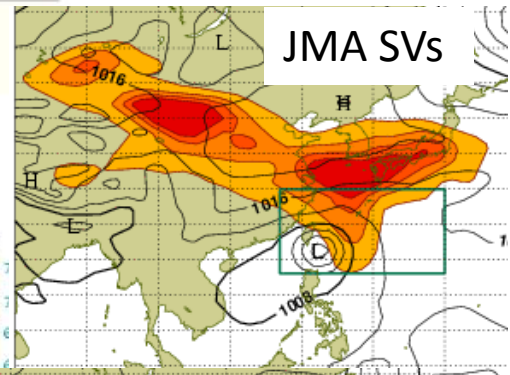
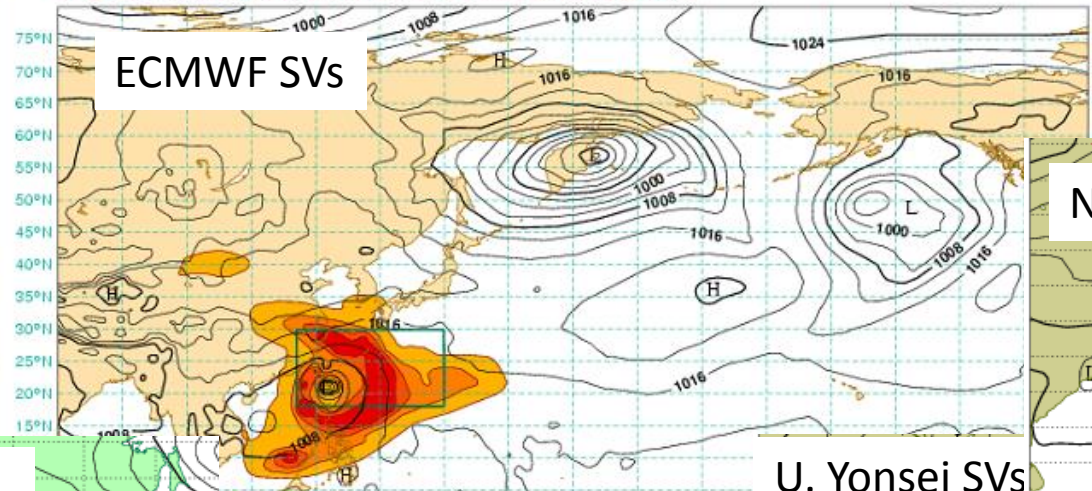
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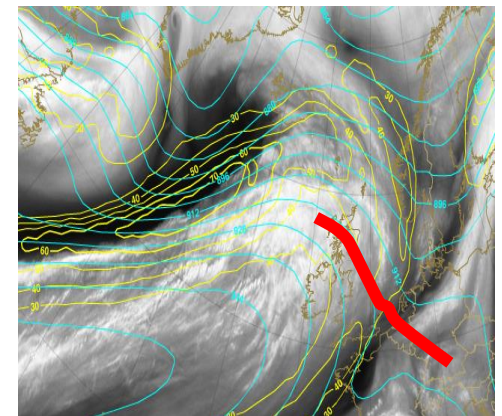
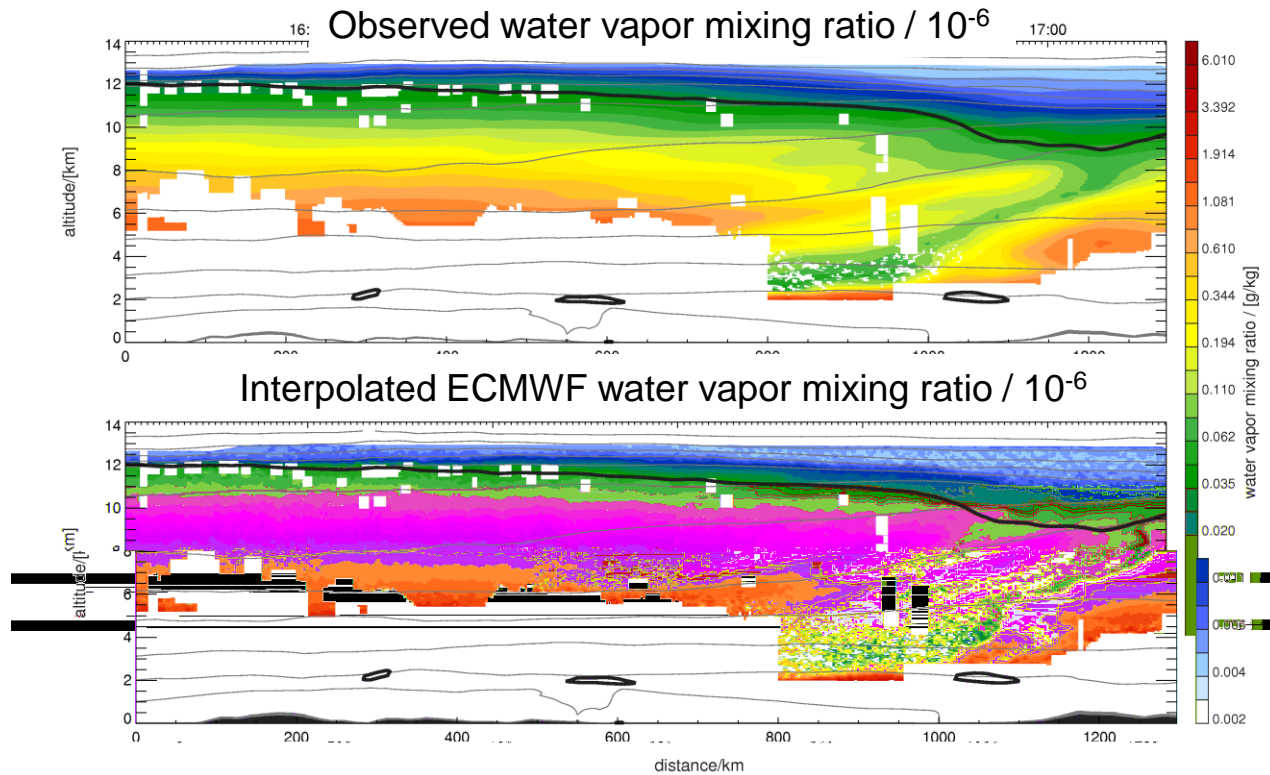
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UMiami/NCEP	msl	z500	vo850	UKMO	msl	z500	vo850	UYonsei	msl	z500	vo850

ECMWF-SAP based on TE-SVs (moist TL95) and MSL
 Valid time: 20080928, 00 UT (Targeting Time)
 Shading: areas of 8, 4, 2, 1 x 10⁶ km²
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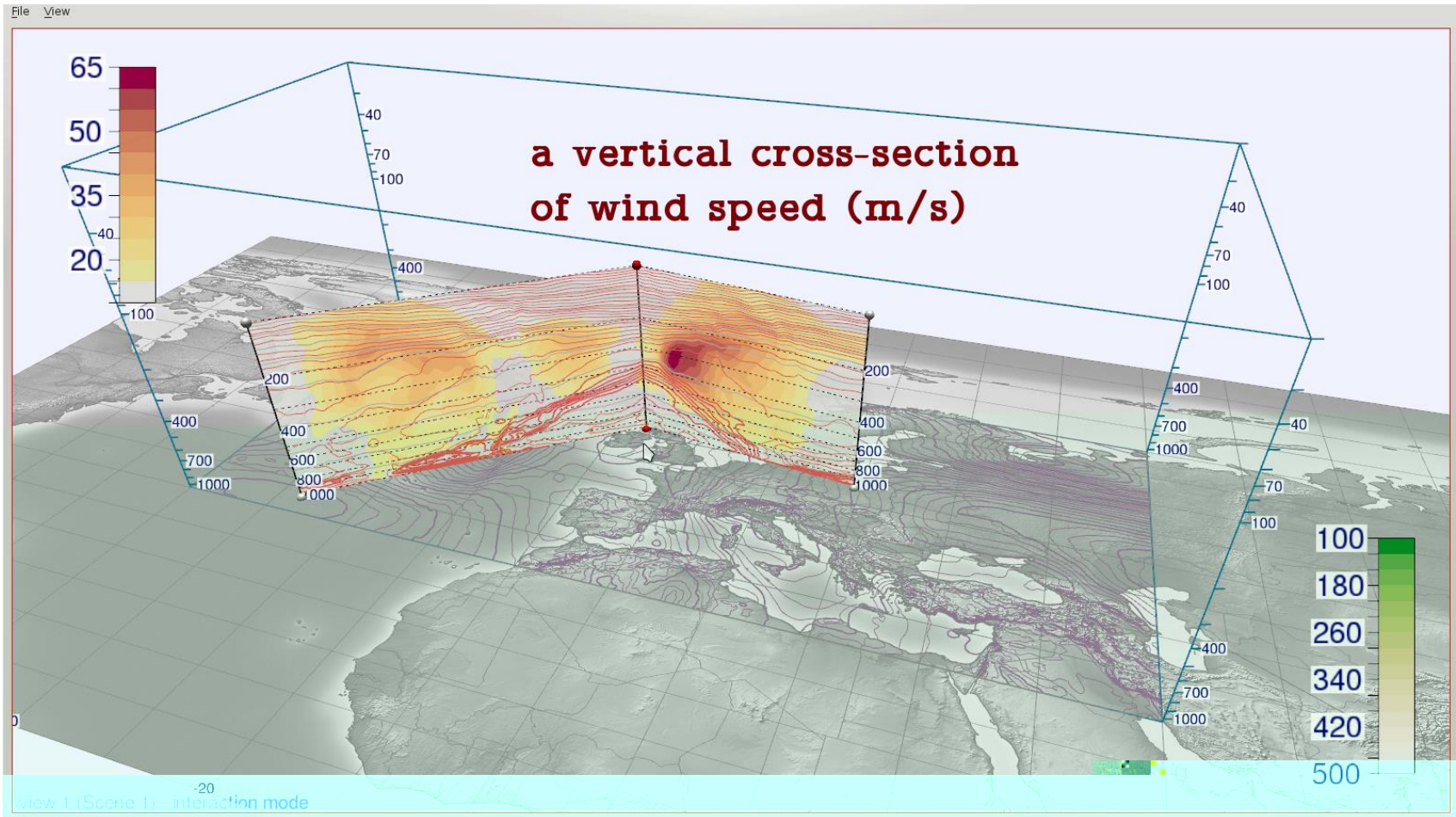
ECMWF Forecasts and Analyses in Field Campaigns

Comparison of observed and forecast water vapor observed over the UK using Differential Absorption Lidar WALEs auf HALO during the ML-CIRRUS campaign in 2014.



- good representation of observed water vapor structures
- Structures differ near the tropopause

Met3D – visualisation for flight planning



Courtesy of Marc Rautenhaus, TU Munich;
Collaboration with DLR, ETH Zürich, ECMWF

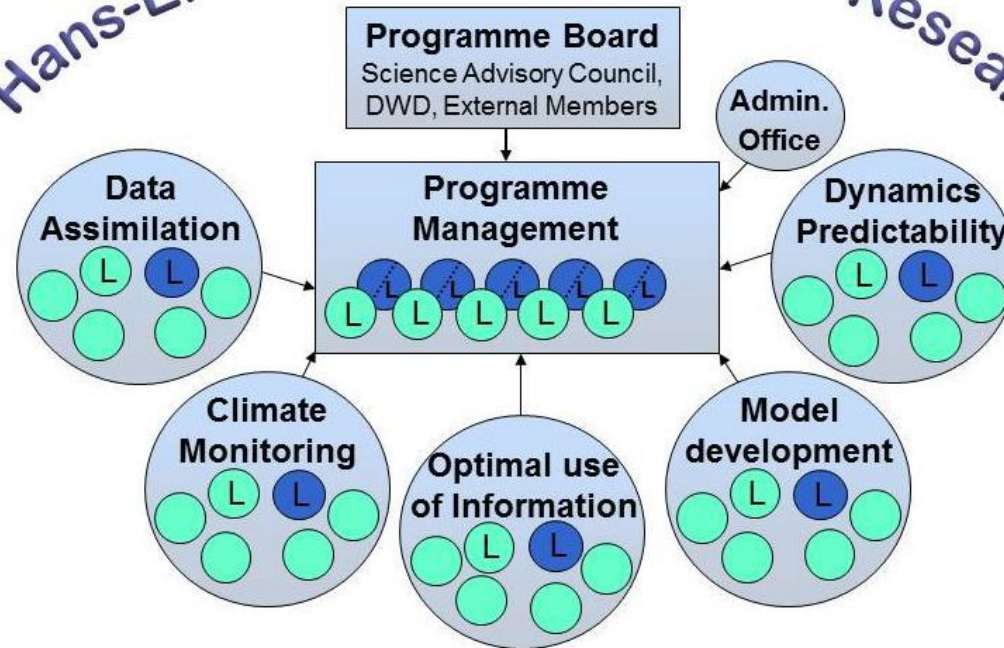
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Hans Ertel (1904 - 1971)



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Workshops and seminars

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The courses are typically several days in length, though delegates can choose to study the various modules over several years.



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February 24-27 [Computer User Training Course: GRIB API: Library and tools](#)

March 2-6 [Computer User Training Course: Introduction for new users/MARS](#)

- Important Training for new staff of operational centers and Universities
- DWD regularly sends staff there
- Good opportunity for exchange and networking



About Forecasts Computing Research Learning

Seminar 2014: Use of Satellite Observations in Numerical Weather Prediction

The 2014 Seminar was held from September 8 September 12 (finishing lunch time).

Topics covered included a discussion of the value of current and forthcoming satellite observations, with particular foci both on new types of observation and on which variables are under-observed at present. The status of assimilation of cloud-affected observations and observations over land and sea ice will be represented and progress towards a fuller exploitation of the potential of the hyperspectral sounders is addressed.

Training

Workshops and seminars

2014 annual seminar

2014 informal seminars

2014 workshops

Copernicus Climate
Projections Workshop

Visualisation in
Meteorology week 2015

Workshop on sub-seasonal
predictability

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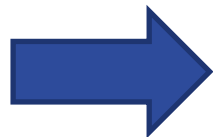
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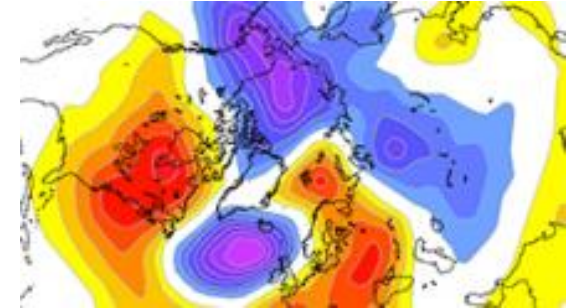
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