

# Verification at DWD – with a special look at VERSUS

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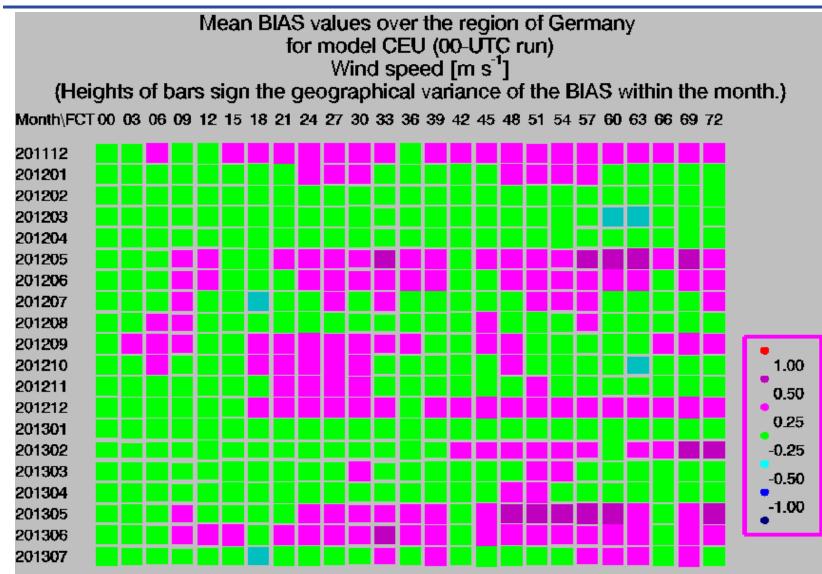
# **Technical aspects**



- End of November 2012
  - Patch 07 was installed
  - > Problems did not occur during installation
- → March 2013: Loading of forecast data into the data base was not further possible,
  - Steps for the solution of the problem
    - **Deleting data for old cases with VERSUS**
    - Manual repair of the table grib using mysql versus –u versus 'REPAIR TABLE' grib
- Results for files including geographical distribution of the scores did not catch the wanted stratification of input data (i.e. results for German station below 800 m also contain results for stations in Switzerland, Austria, Italy ...).
  - Could be managed to a certain degree.
- Results for files with conditional verification of T2m with cloud cover in forecast space did not catch the wanted stratification ....
  - This is not relevant for COSMO-DE.
  - Could not be managed for COSMO-EU
- Installation of VERSUS 3.0 was not successful up to now because of conflicting prerequisites in the installation files to the DWD environment (R).
  - > R installation was made by our system administrator.
  - > Installation of VERSUS 3.0 will follow after the calculation of September- and JJA results.



Bias of wind speed 10m, CEU (VERSUS)

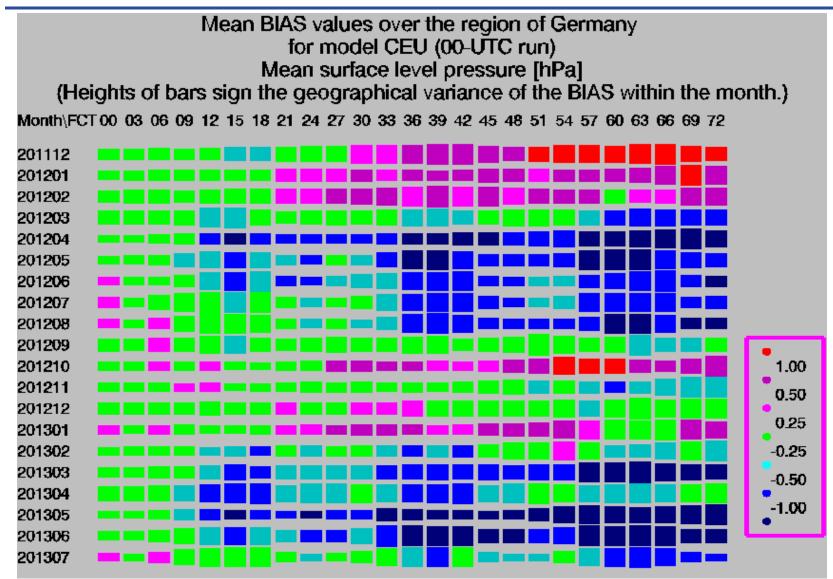




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**Bias of mean surface level pressure, CEU (VERSUS)** 





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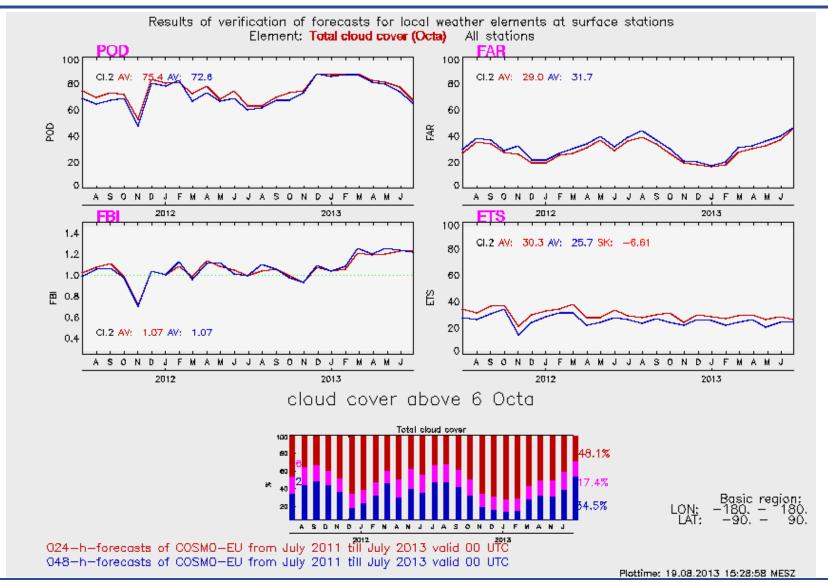
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# Forecast quality of total cloud cover > 6/8 Target time 00 UTC, CEU

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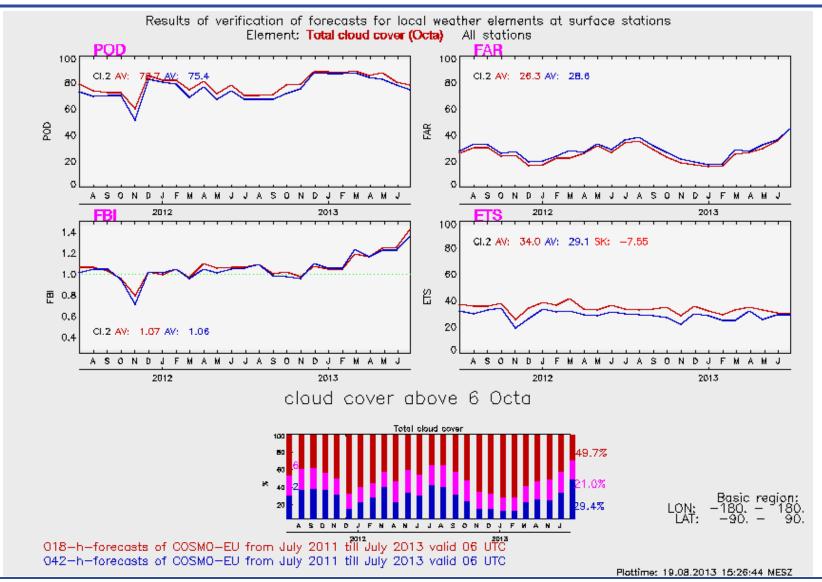




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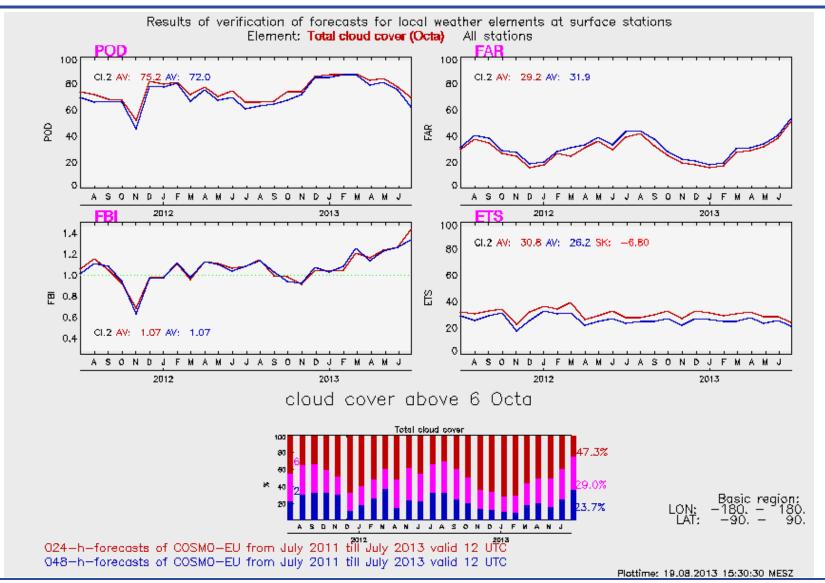




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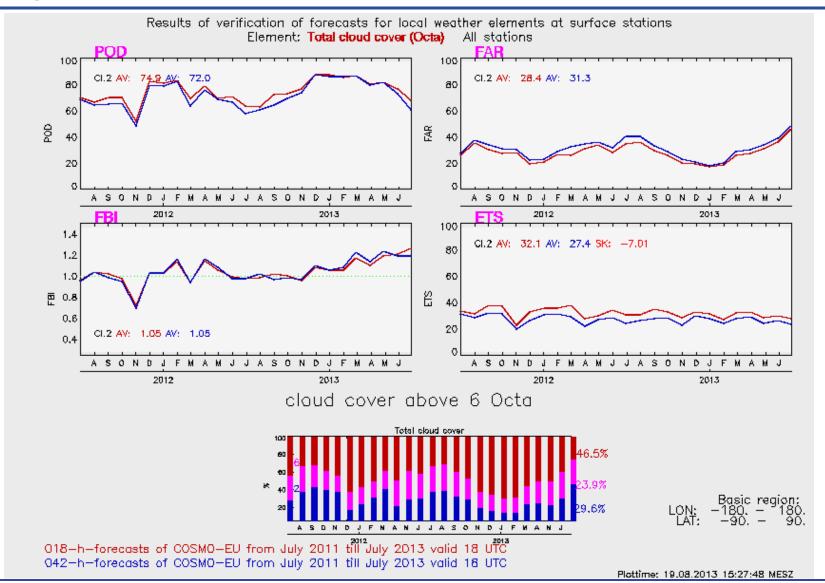




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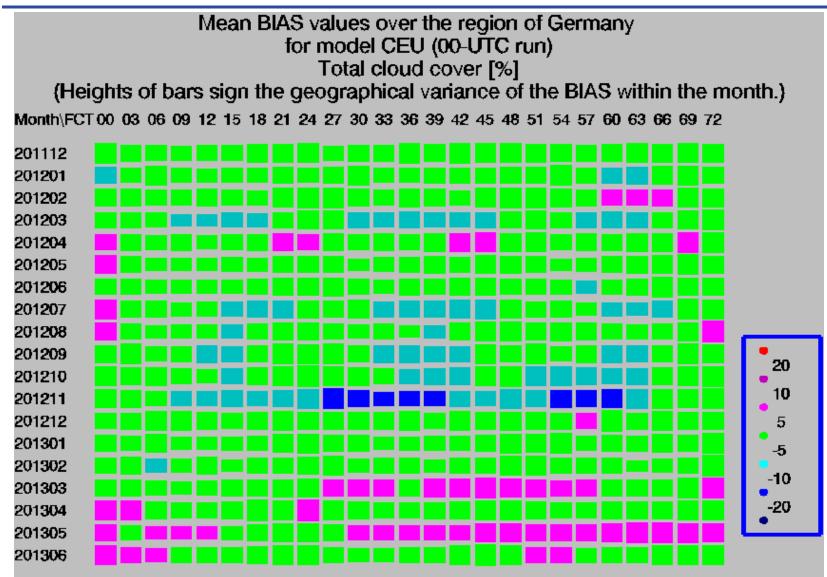
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Bias of total cloud cover, CEU (VERSUS)

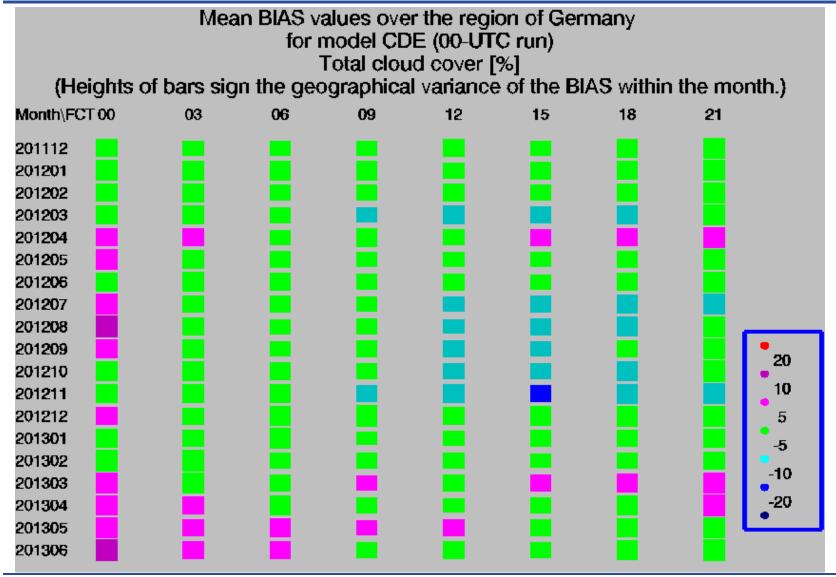




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# Bias of total cloud cover, CDE (VERSUS)





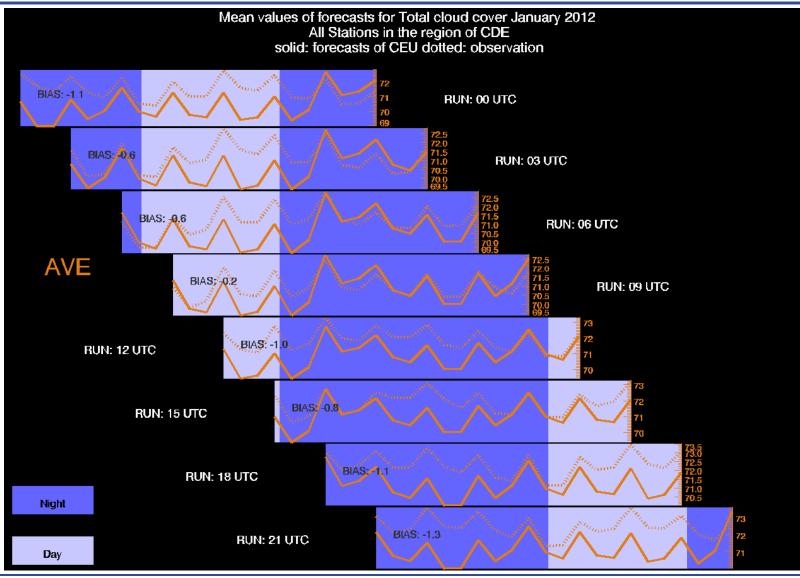
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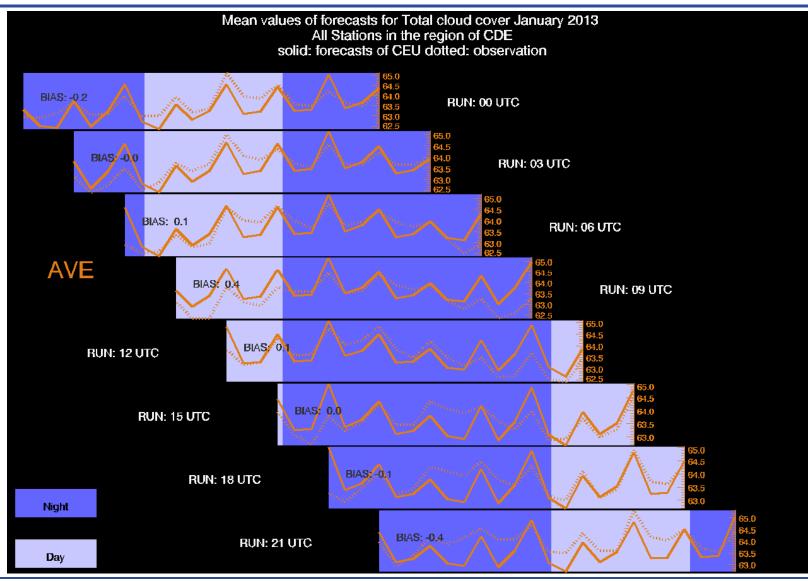
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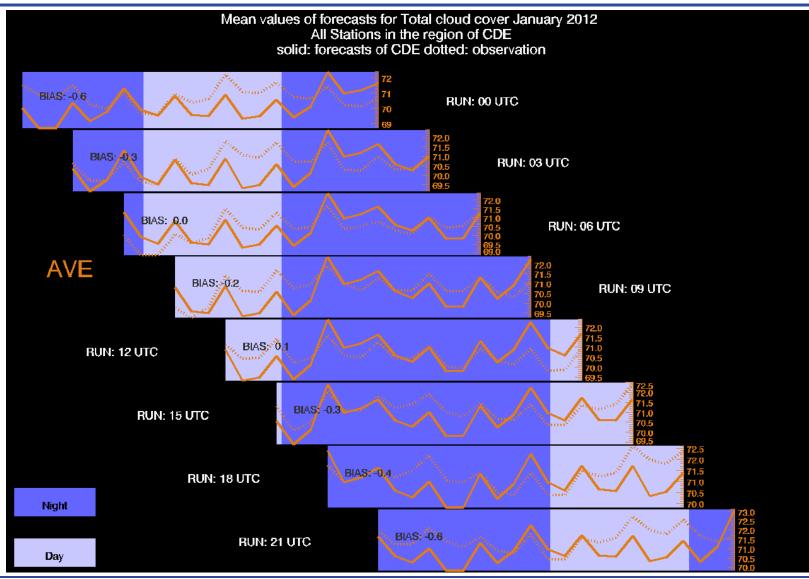
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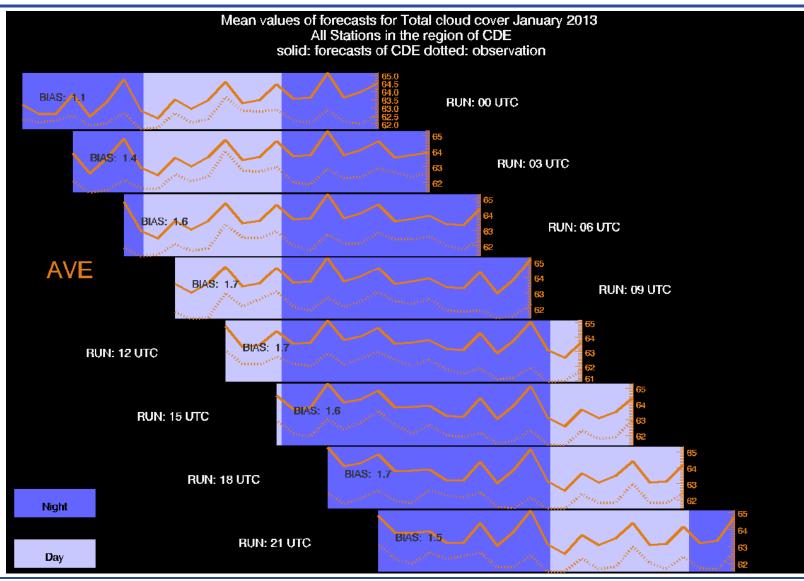
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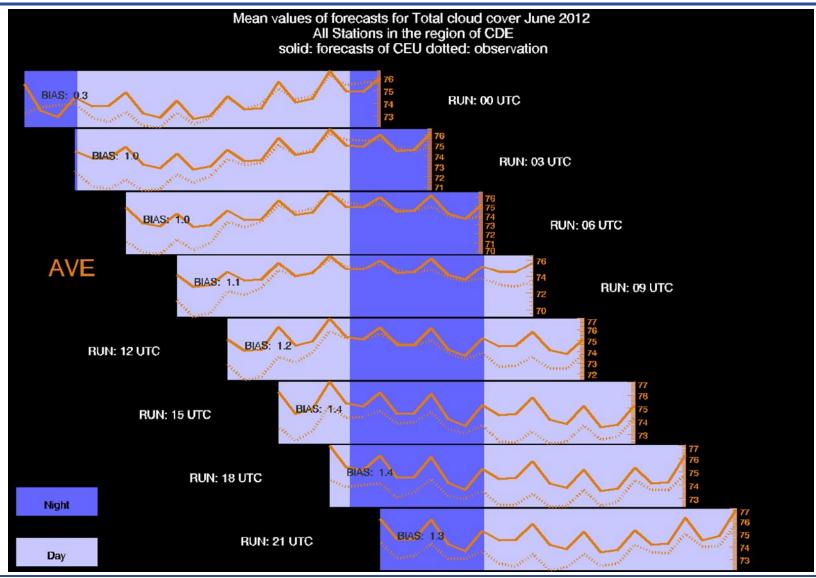
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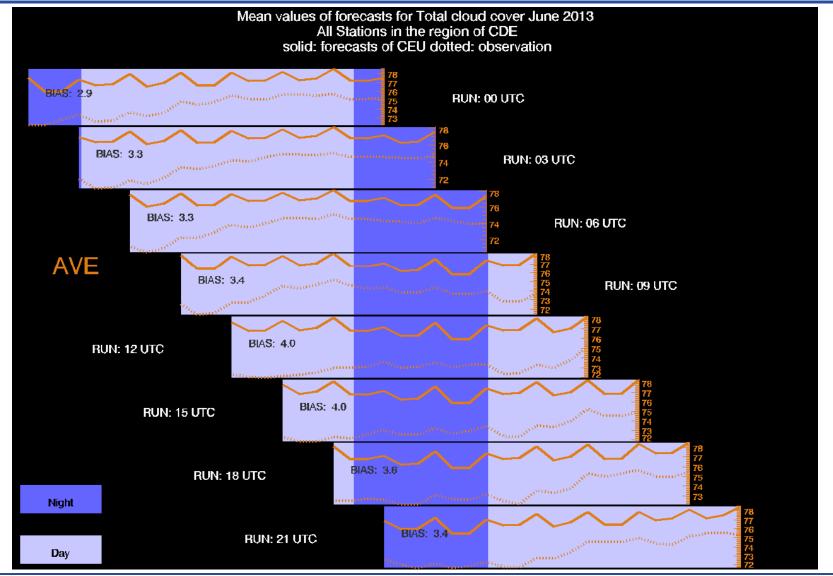
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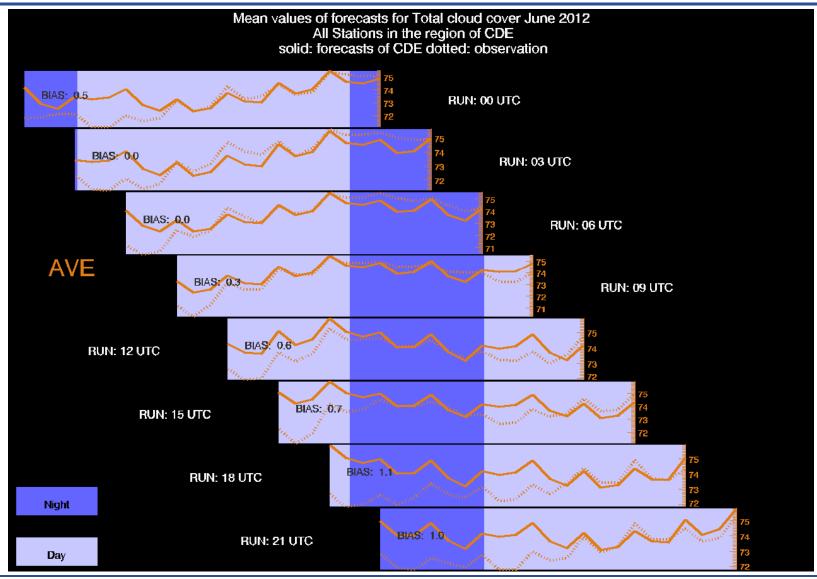
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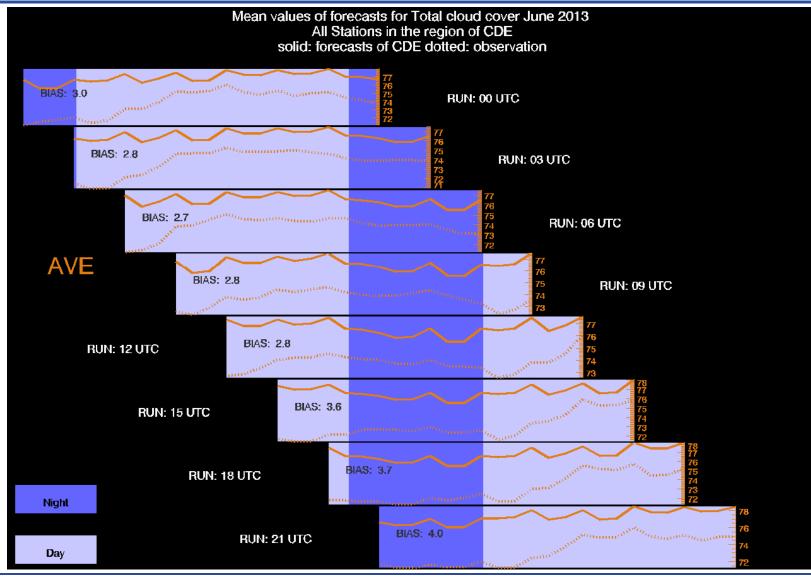
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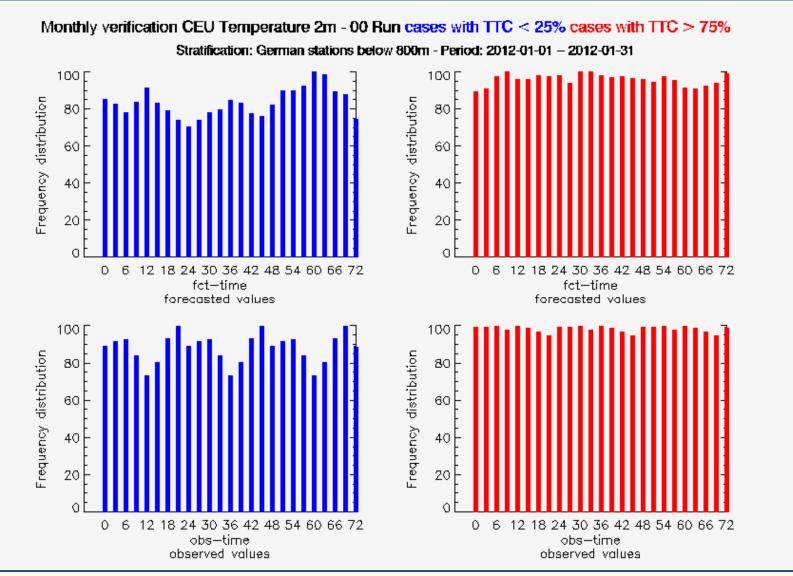
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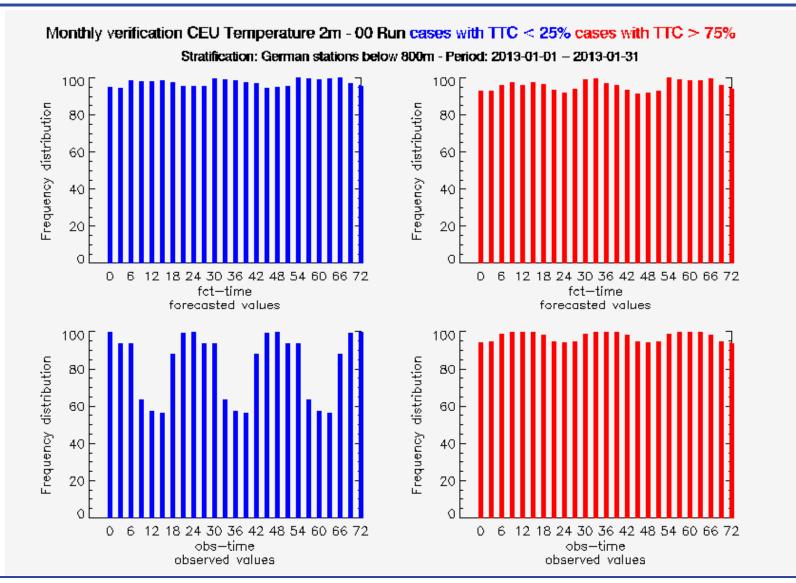




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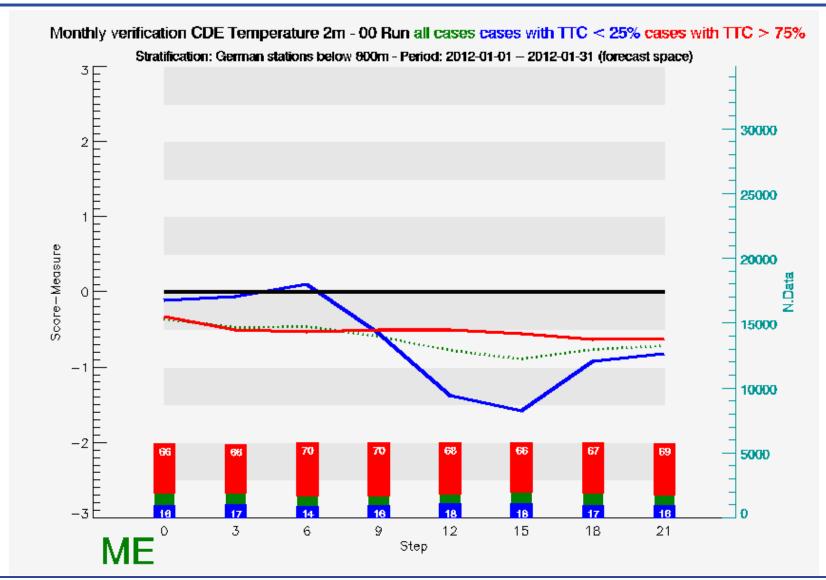
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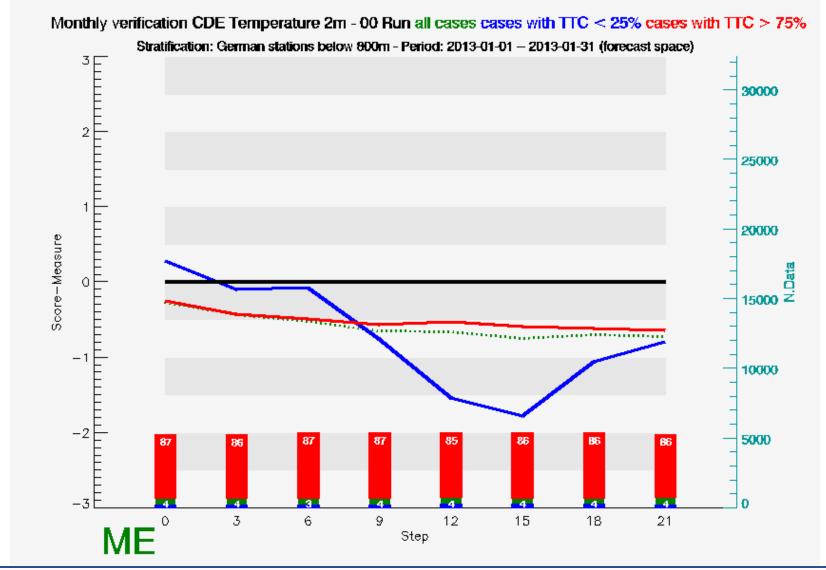




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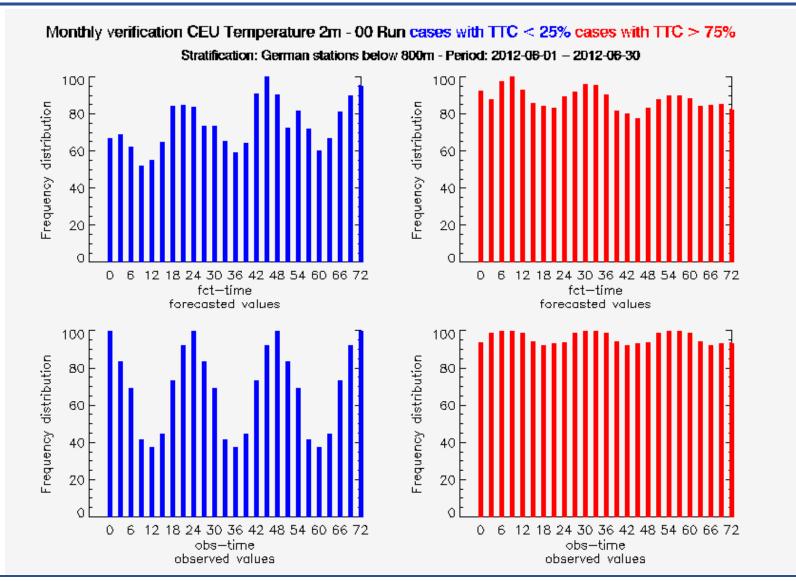




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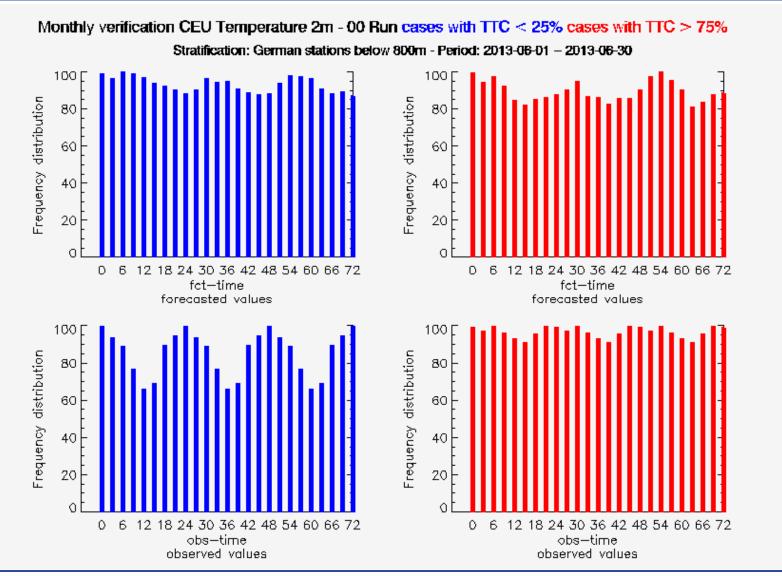




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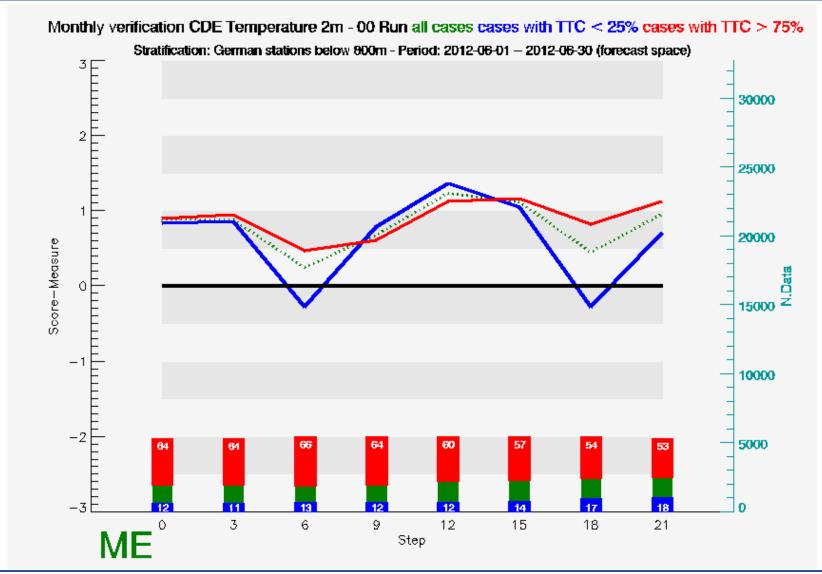




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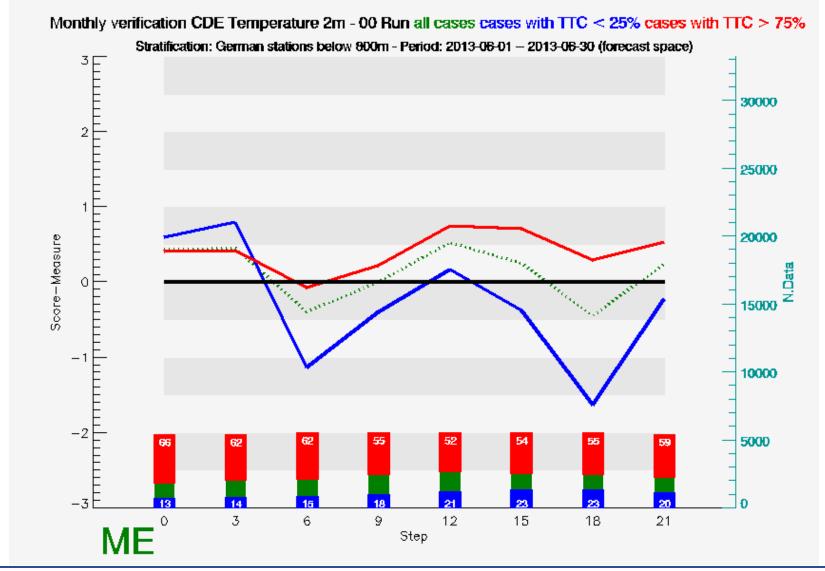




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gliding window +-15d 100 90 CLIMATOLOGY TCC [%] 80 70 60 50 CLIM COSMO (at SYNOP stations) CLIM SYNOP CLIM MSG (at SYNOP stations) 40 2014 2013 22 2012 2012 2012 2012 2019 SEP OK NOV DE2 2013 201

COSMO-DE-EPS TCC mean climatology

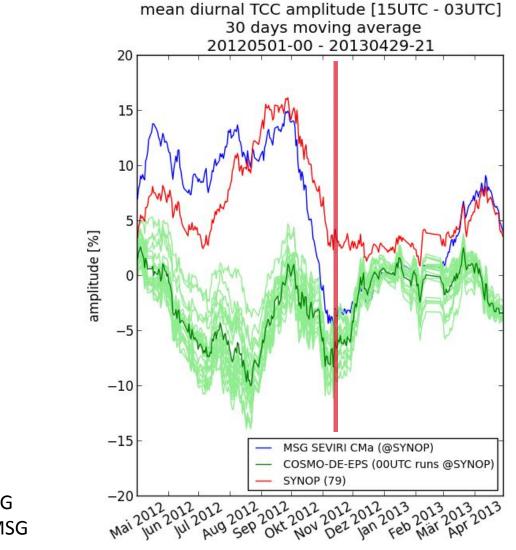
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# **Climatology (seasonal) - Felix Fundel**

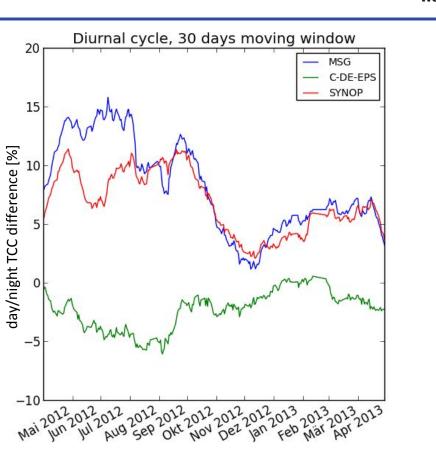


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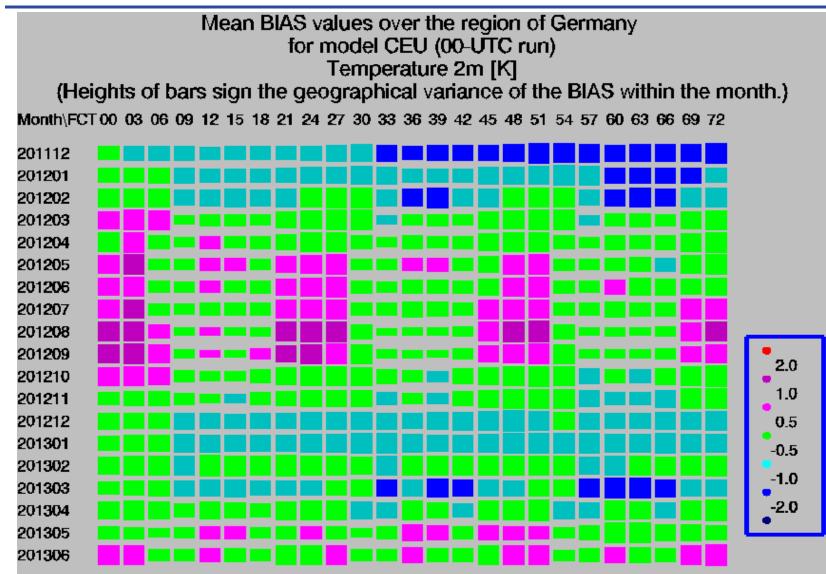


No (or even negative) diurnal cycle of COSMO-DE-EPS Especially in summer & autumn

Good agreement between MSG and SYNOP



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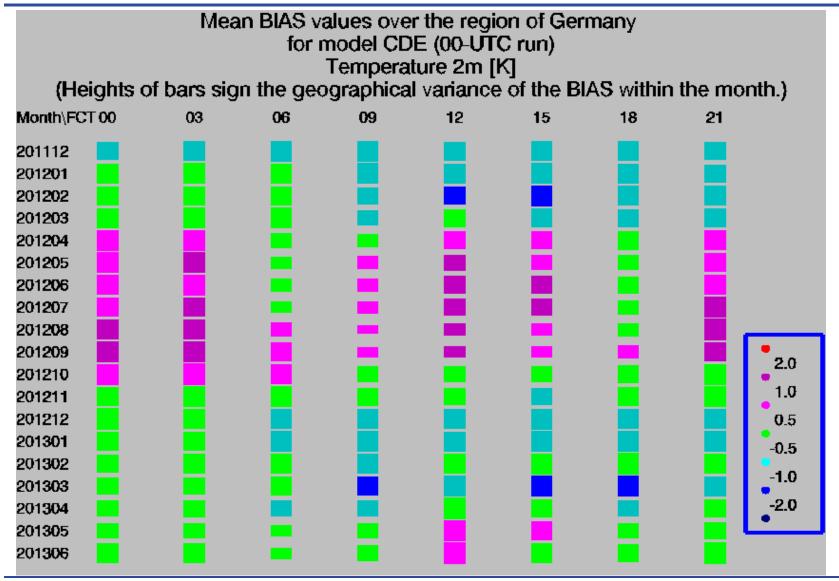




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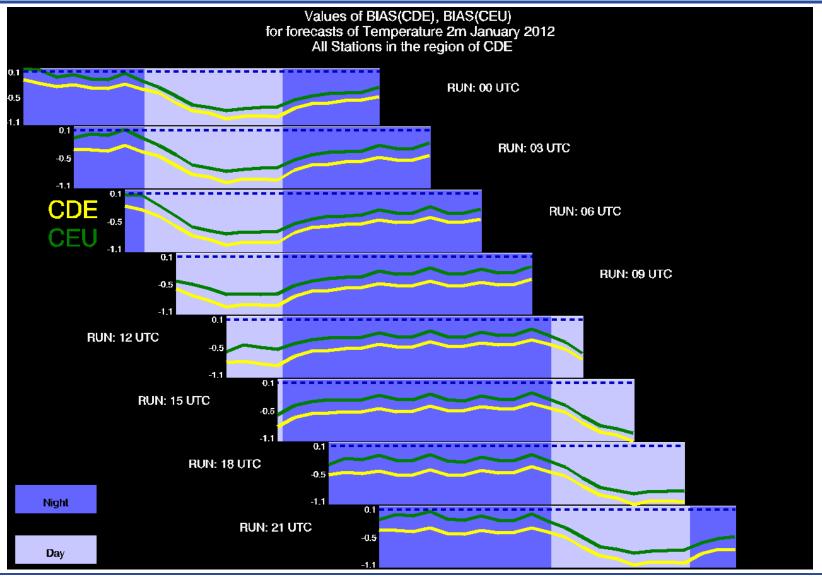
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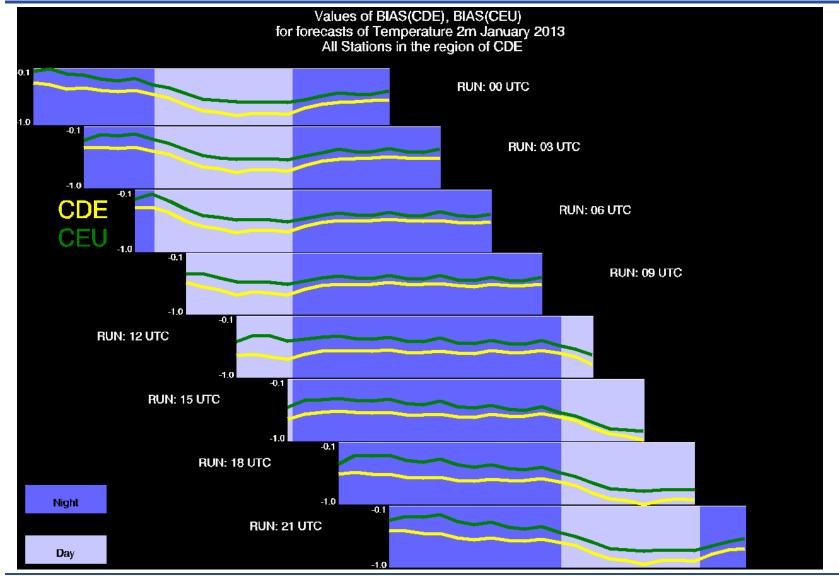
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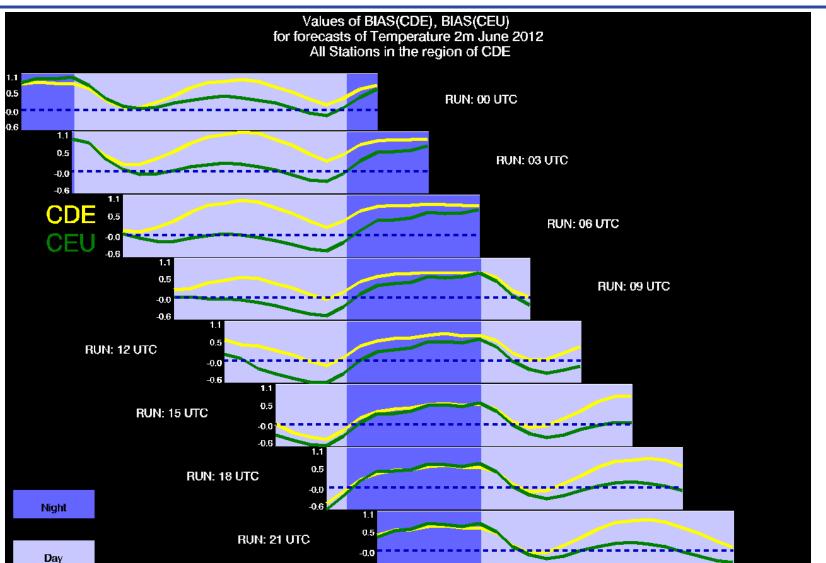
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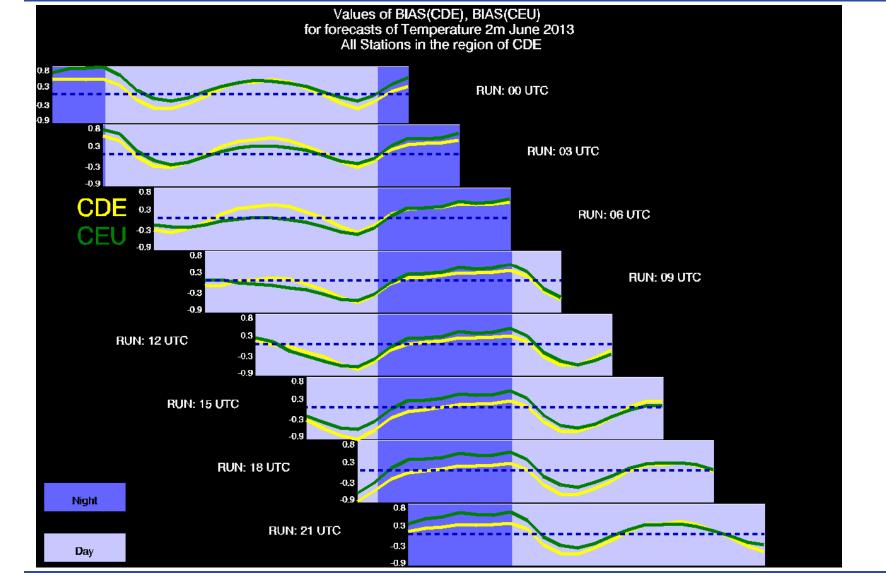
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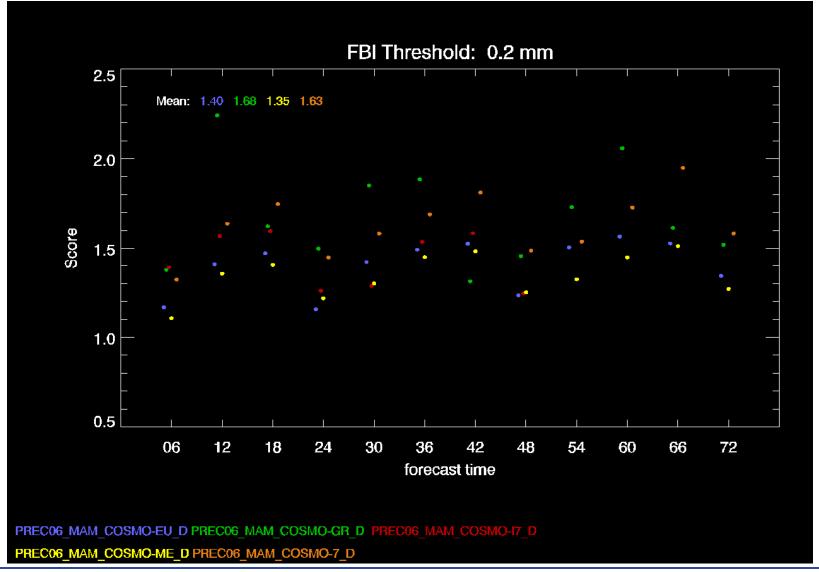
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# Common plots, MAM 2013, national chosen stations FBI for threshold 2mm (6h)<sup>-1</sup>

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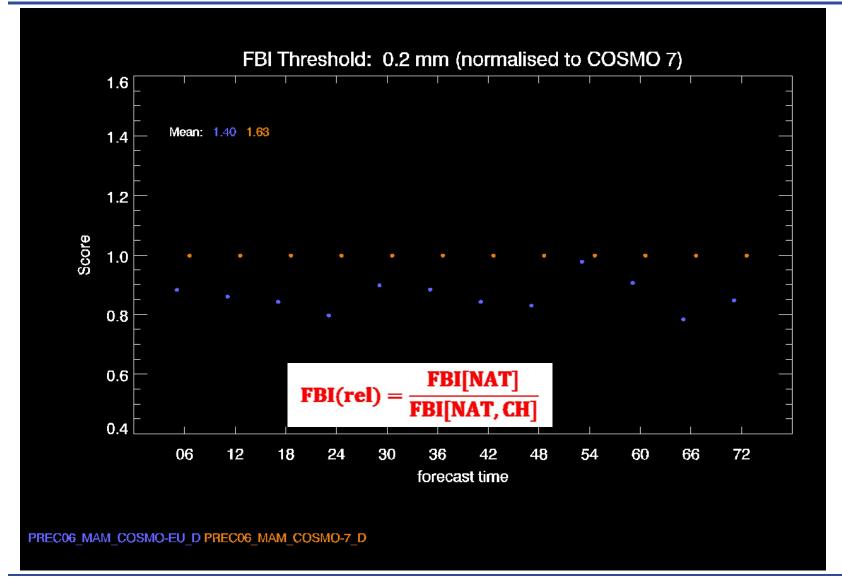
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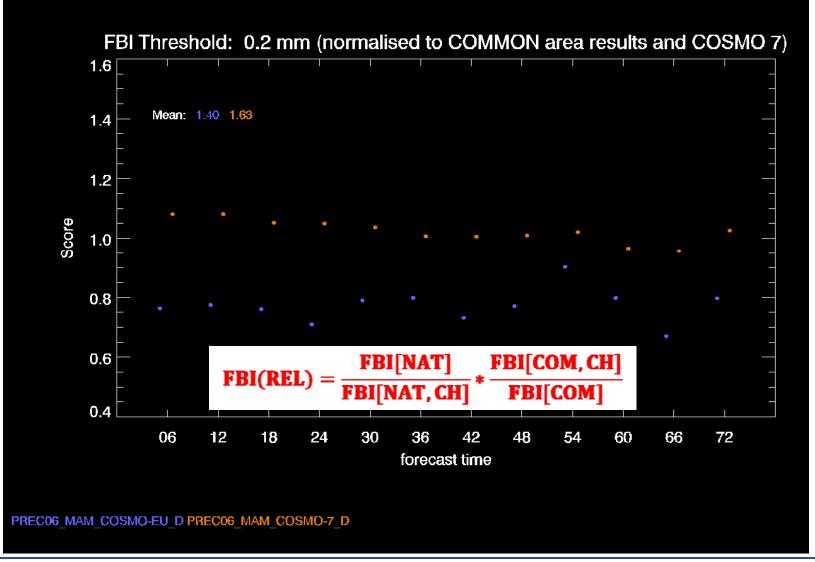




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