

Upper Air and surface parameter verification in Italy: general remarks and specific studies

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Outline

- Operational Verification in Italy:
 - with VERSUS (Standard, Upper Air, Conditional of T, Td, TCC, TP, WS) by CNMCA/ARPA-ER
 - with High Resolution rain-gauges (TP) by ARPA-Piemonte /ARPA-ER (see Elena Oberto presentations)
- Very interesting results but in this presentation will focus on:
 - Upper air verification of TEMPERATURE and WIND SPEED
 - Comparison of COSMO-I7 and COSMO-ME
 - Investigation on the connection between vertical profile temperature and surface parameters errors (namely 2m Temperature and MSLP)
 - This interest arise from particular situation noticed during operational forecast work at Arpa-ER, such as too high maximum temperature of COSMO-I2 or missing temperature inversion during nighttime both from COSMO-I2 and I7 ...
 - Specific studies about some "peculiarity" of COSMO models in the Po Valley
 - Differences between 7 Km and 2.8 Km models
 - Cosmo-I7 /Cosmo-I2
 - Cosmo-ME Cosmo-IT
 - » Cosmo-2 (thanks to CH colleagues)







Datasets





Surface stations:

- All Italian Stations (~130)
- Po valley Stations (9)
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A bit disappointed because in the Po valley the relationship seems evident...



A typical situation

Example of sounding at 00 UTC in San P.Capofiume (near Bologna)

COSMO-I7 T2m verification in the Po Valley







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JJA2012: strange behavior of COSMO-I2





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MSLP: Cosmo-I7/I2













MSLP: Cosmo-ME/IT



















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Daily Cycle: COSMO-2 Po Valley June 2012







Daily Cycle: COSMO-ME/IT Po Valley June 2012





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Impact of different soil on T2m: a quick test





Impact of different soil on vertical temperature profile: quick verification

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San Pietro Capofiume (16144) COSMO-I2 interpolated soil



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Impact of different soil on vertical temperature profile: quick verification

Pratica di Mare (16245) COSMO-I2 free soil

Pratica di Mare (16245) COSMO-I2 interpolated soil



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- Other problems related to temperature in the Po Valley need more investigation in order to be solved...



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Comparison with IFS-ECMWF



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Conclusion

- Upper air verification of the 7 km models pointed out some differences between Cosmo-I7 and Cosmo-Me, expecially in Temperature
- A clear connection between the vertical profile errors and 2m temperature seems not evident if we consider Italy as the verification domain
- Considering instead the Po Valley stratification, the typical overestimation of temperature during night seems to be linked to temperature inversion that COSMO-I7 is not able to reproduce (not only in the boundary layer but up to 850 hPa)
 - Maybe this point need more investigation considering for example conditional verification with T2m with the condition of mean error of T850 >0 ...
- Cosmo-I2 verification pointed out problems of 2mT general overestimation with exaggerated drop in MSLP, only partially linked to the soil definition because this behavior is common also to Cosmo-IT and Cosmo-2 at least in the Po Valley
 - The influence in the vertical profile of temperature is very evident
- Humidity was not considered in this presentation but it a crucial parameter to verify at all levels...







There's still a lot of work to do!!!



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THANK YOU!



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