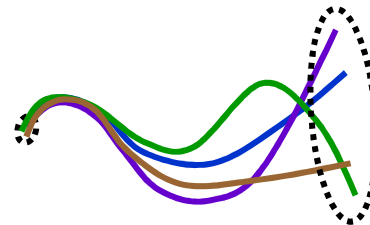


COSMO-DE-EPS

Status, developments & plans

-- WG 7 parallel session --



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Outline

- operational set up
- changes since last COSMO GM

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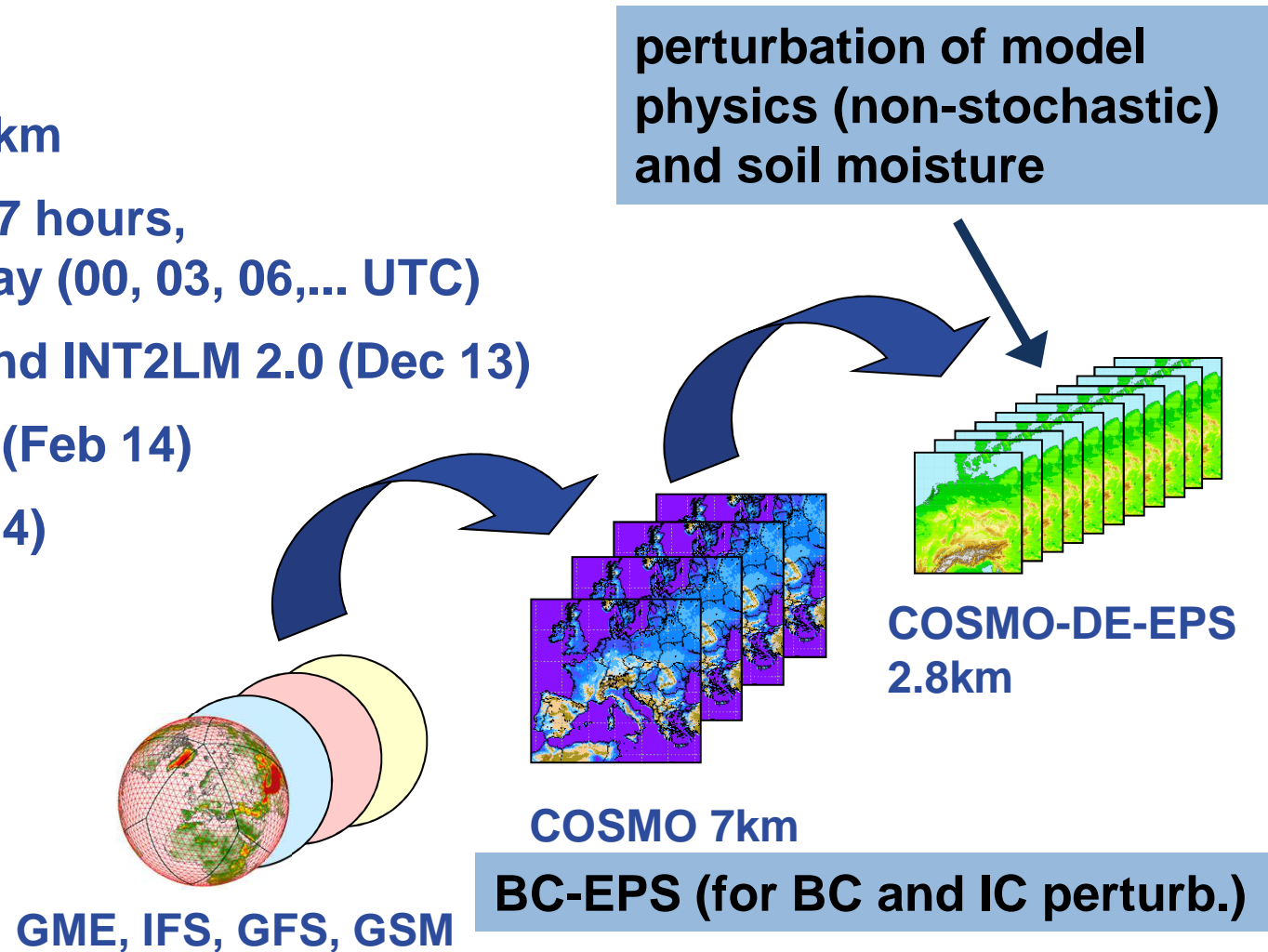
- current research
- projects / applications
- future plans

*DEVELOPMENTS &
PLANS*

STATUS

COSMO-DE-EPS operational set-up

- 20 members
- grid size: 2.8 km
- lead time: 0-27 hours,
8 starts per day (00, 03, 06,... UTC)
- COSMO 5.0 and INT2LM 2.0 (Dec 13)
- COSMO 5.0.1 (Feb 14)
- GRIB 2 (Jun 14)



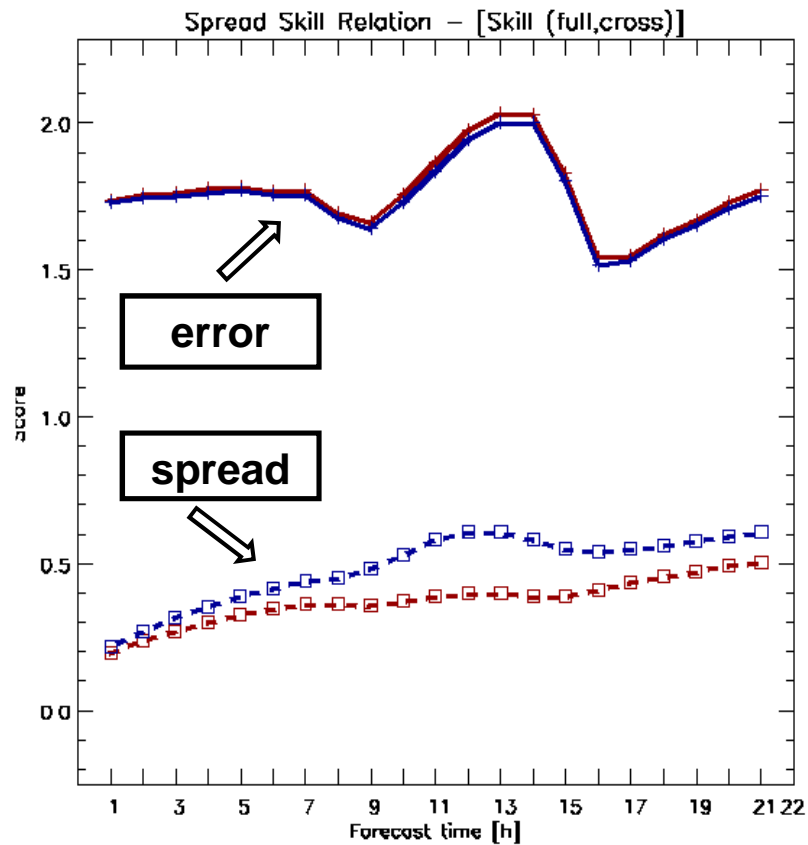
Operational changes since COSMO GM 2013

- new operational probabilistic products
(sim. radar refl, CAPE, cloud cover, T_surface) *Dec 2013*
- perturbation of minimum diffusion coefficient *Jan 2014*
- perturbation of soil moisture *Jan 2014*
- modified vertical filter of IC perturbations
(now depending on variance of model orography) *Sep 2014*

Perturbation of minimum diffusion coefficient

- perturbation of t_{khmin} , t_{kmmin}
- range: [0.2 ,0.4, 0.7]
- in all members: $t_{khmin} = t_{kmmin}$
- test period: November 2011, 00 UTC runs

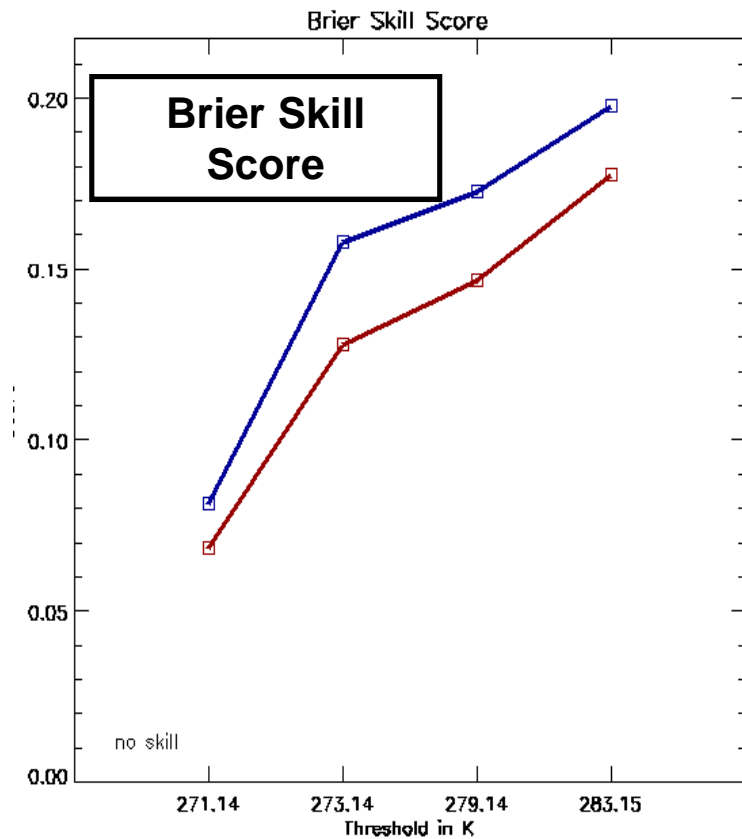
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2m temperature

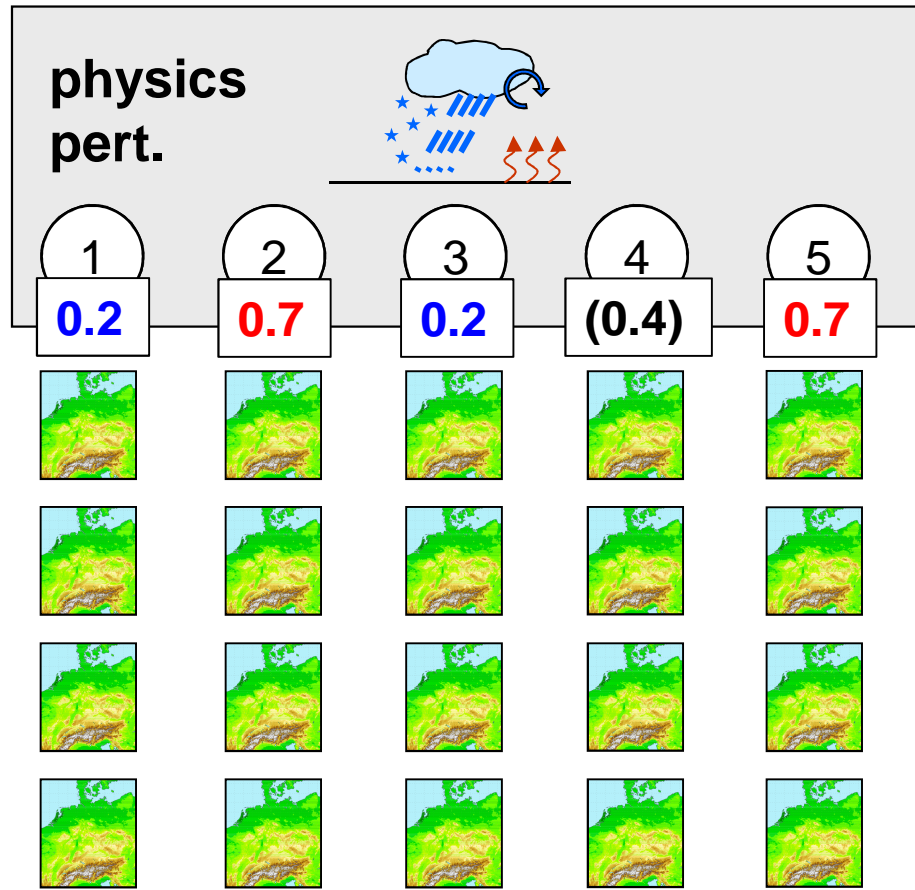
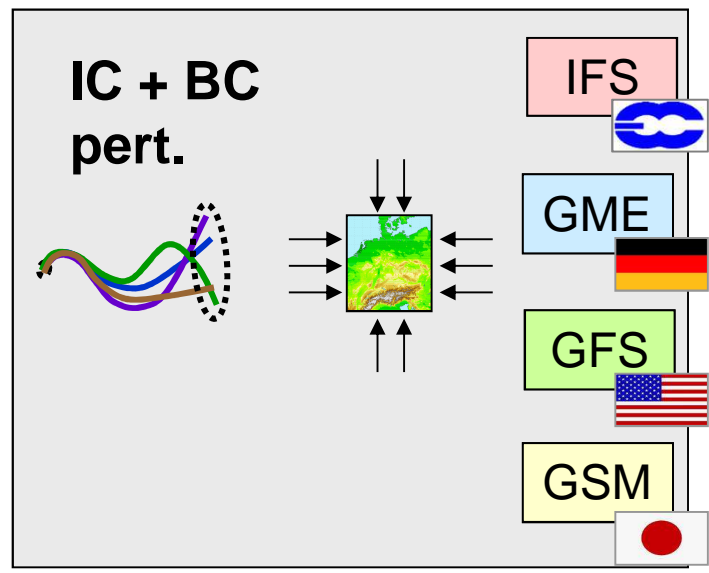
perturbed minimum diffusion

reference



20 EPS members

tkhmin und tkmmin =
0.2 / 0.4 / 0.7



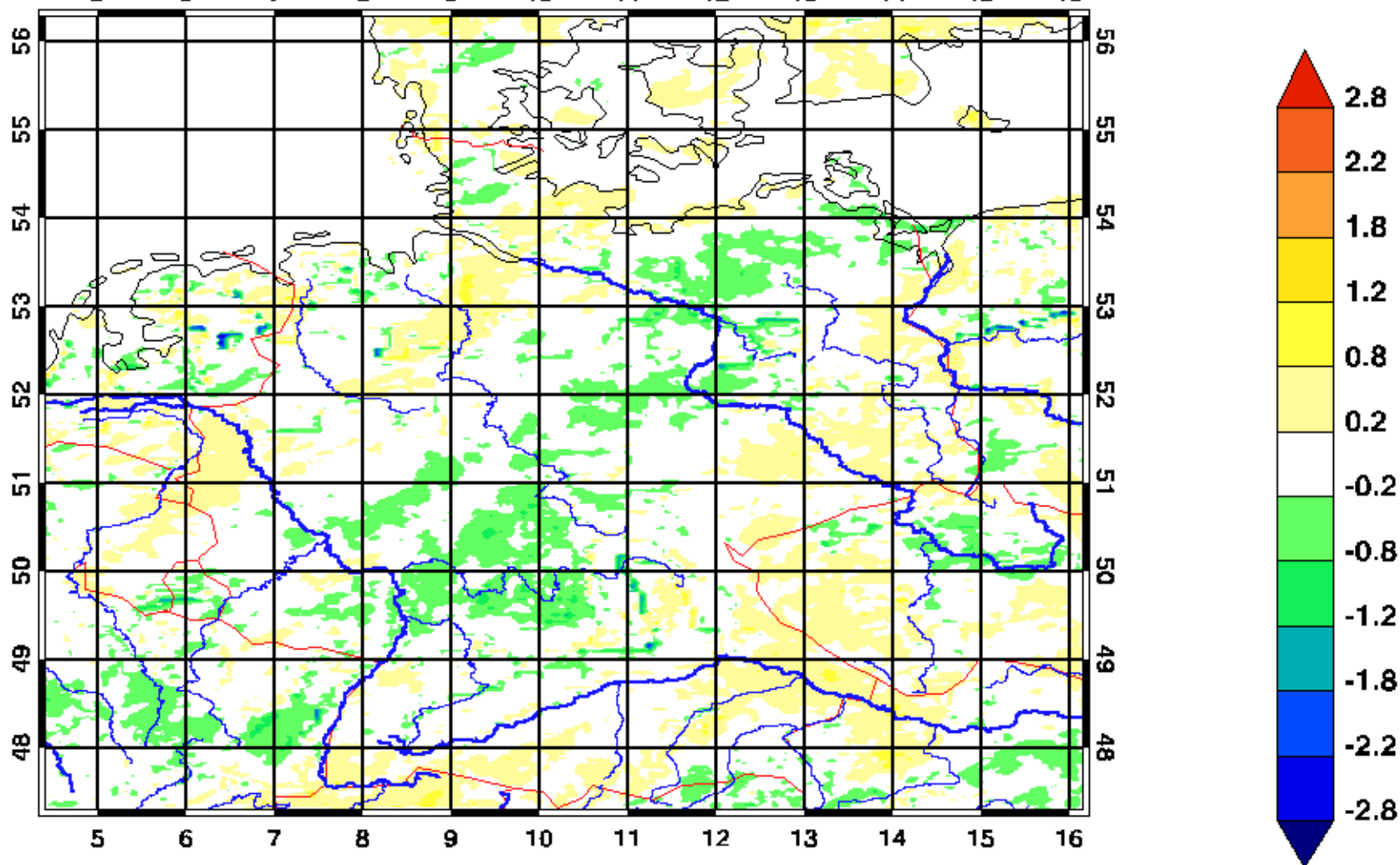
Perturbation of soil moisture

± half the **difference between C-EU and C-DE soil moisture**
in all layers but the lowest

test period June/July 2012

soil moisture perturbation lv=2cm member=2 20120731

mean: 0.03 std: 0.27 min: -2.89 max: 1.45



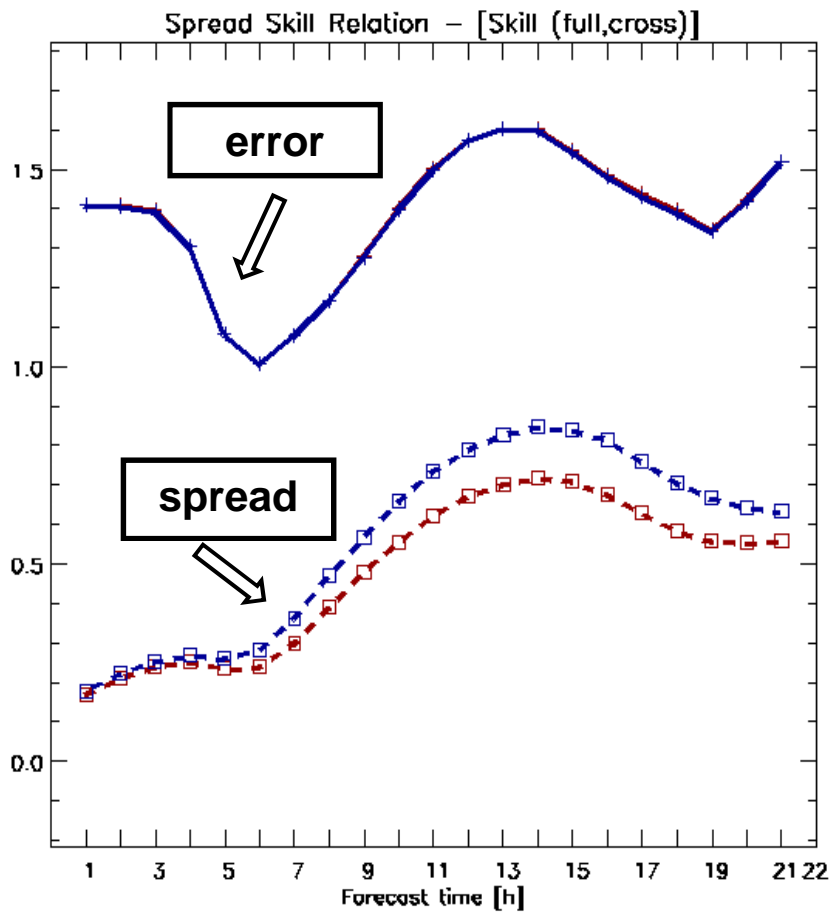
Perturbation ~10% of layer water content
units: kg/m²

COSMO GM 2014, Eretria

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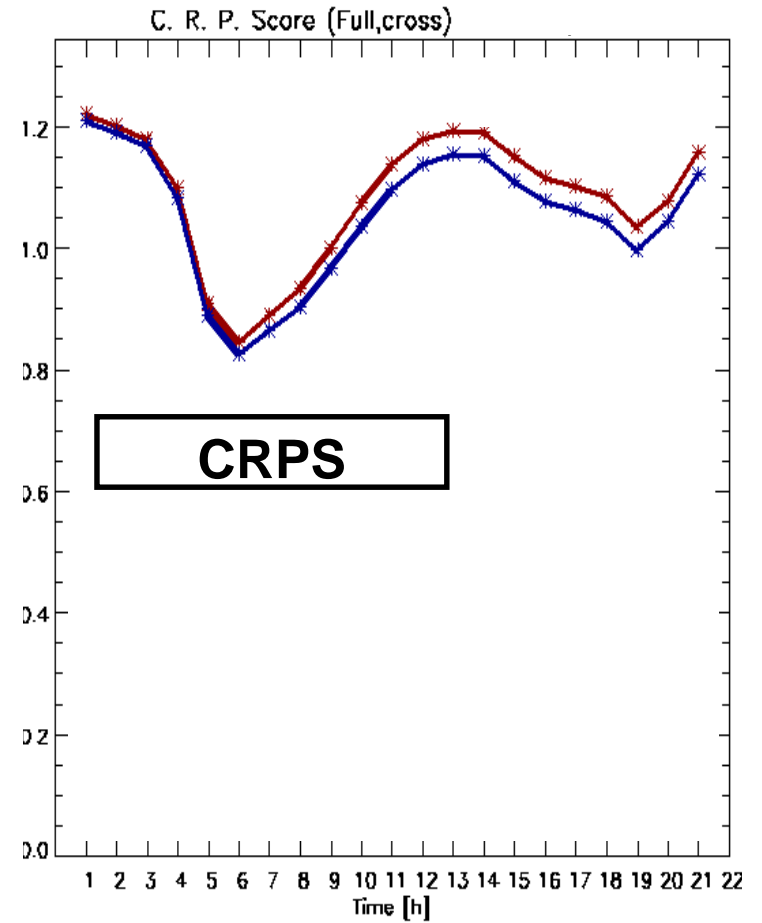
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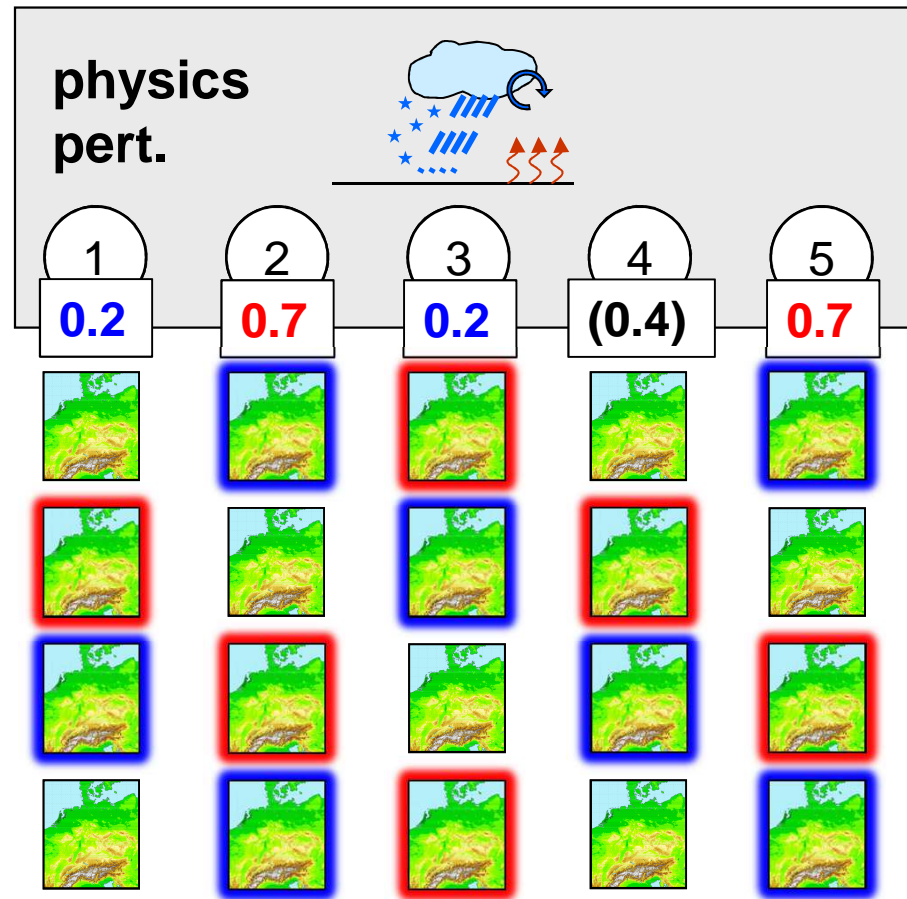
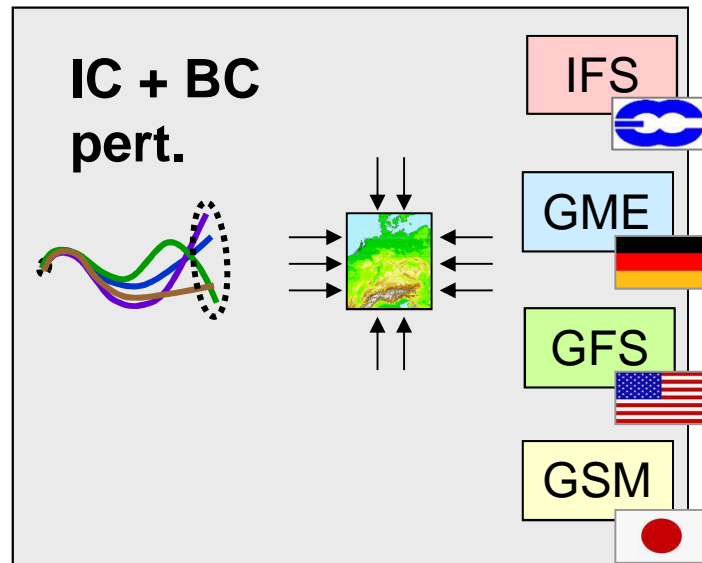
20 EPS members



„+“ soil moisture anomaly



„-“ soil moisture anomaly



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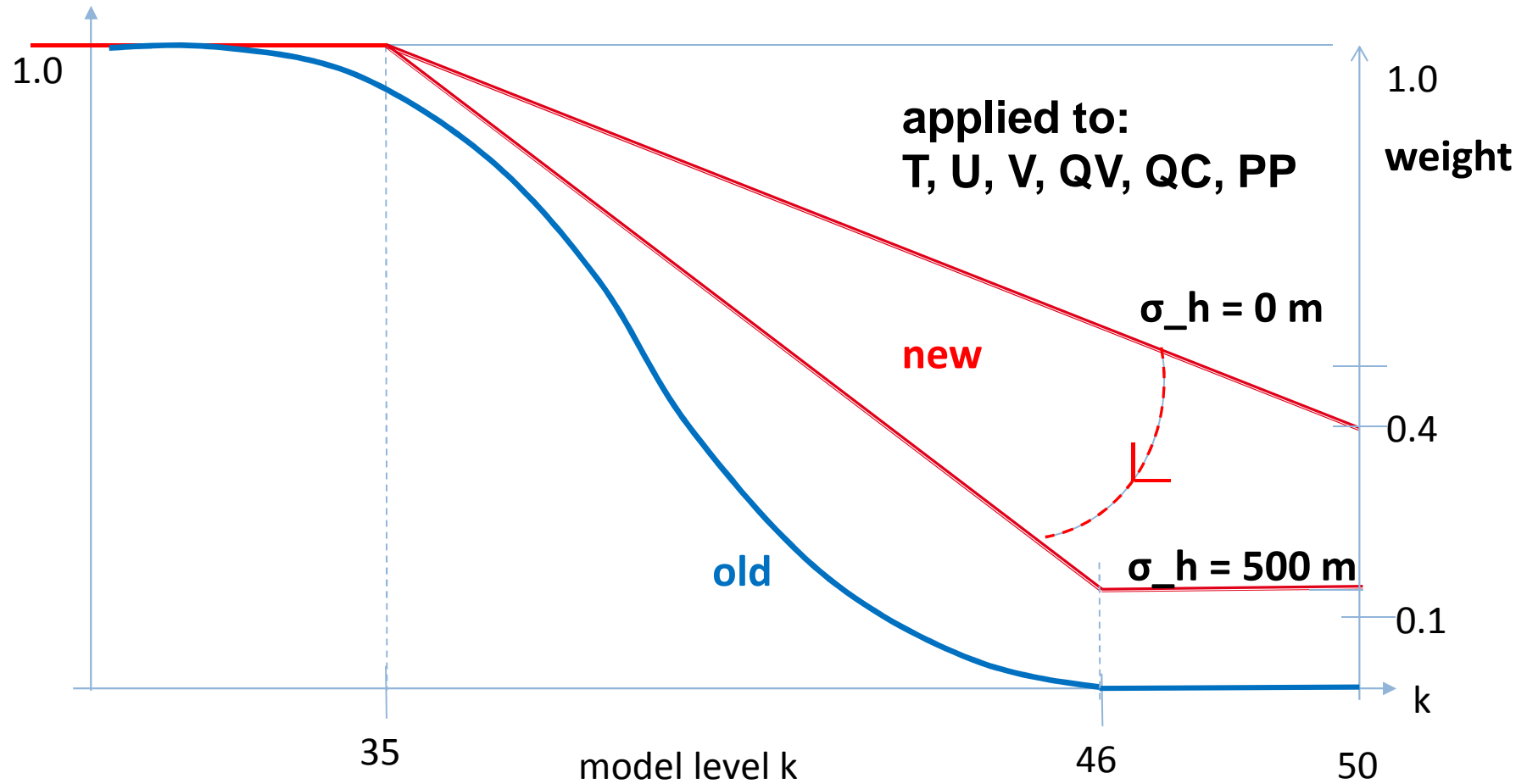
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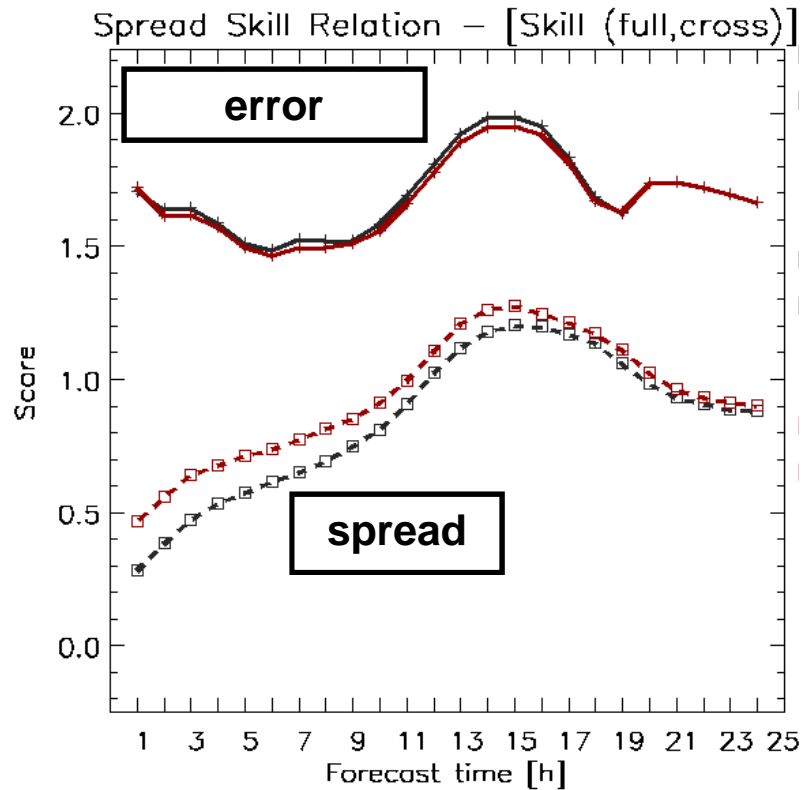
- Degree of perturbation depends on **spatial variance of orography** σ_h
- The “smoother” the orography, the higher the degree of perturbation near the surface
- Full surface pressure perturbation (weight = 1.)
- Horizontal smoothing of all initial perturbations (radius: 5 GP)

Modified vertical filter of IC perturbations

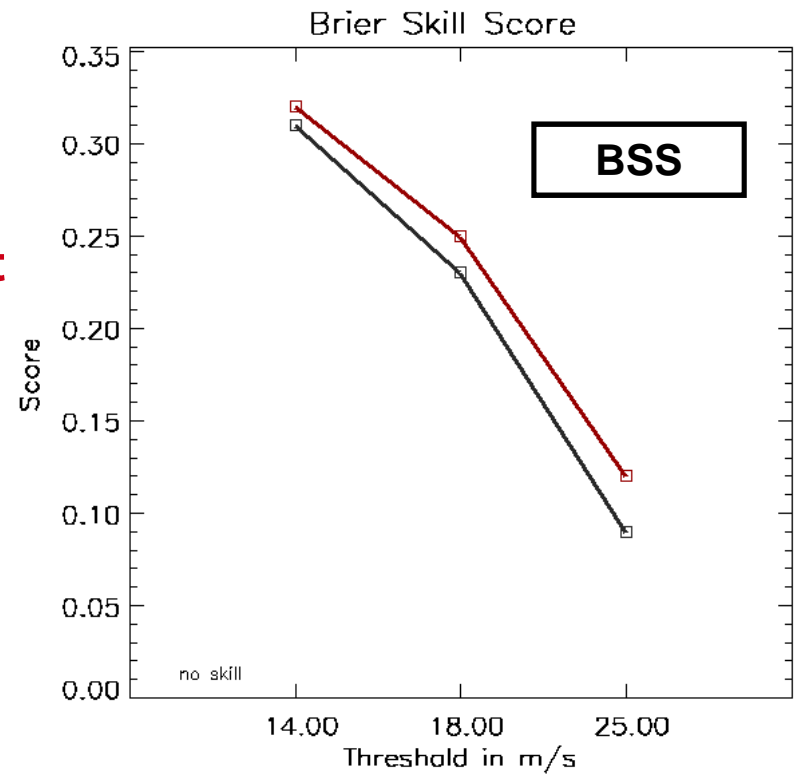


Modified vertical filter of IC perturbations

Test period: 15 May – 30 June 2014, 00 UTC runs



10m
wind gusts
new IC pert
reference



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Current research, projects / applications

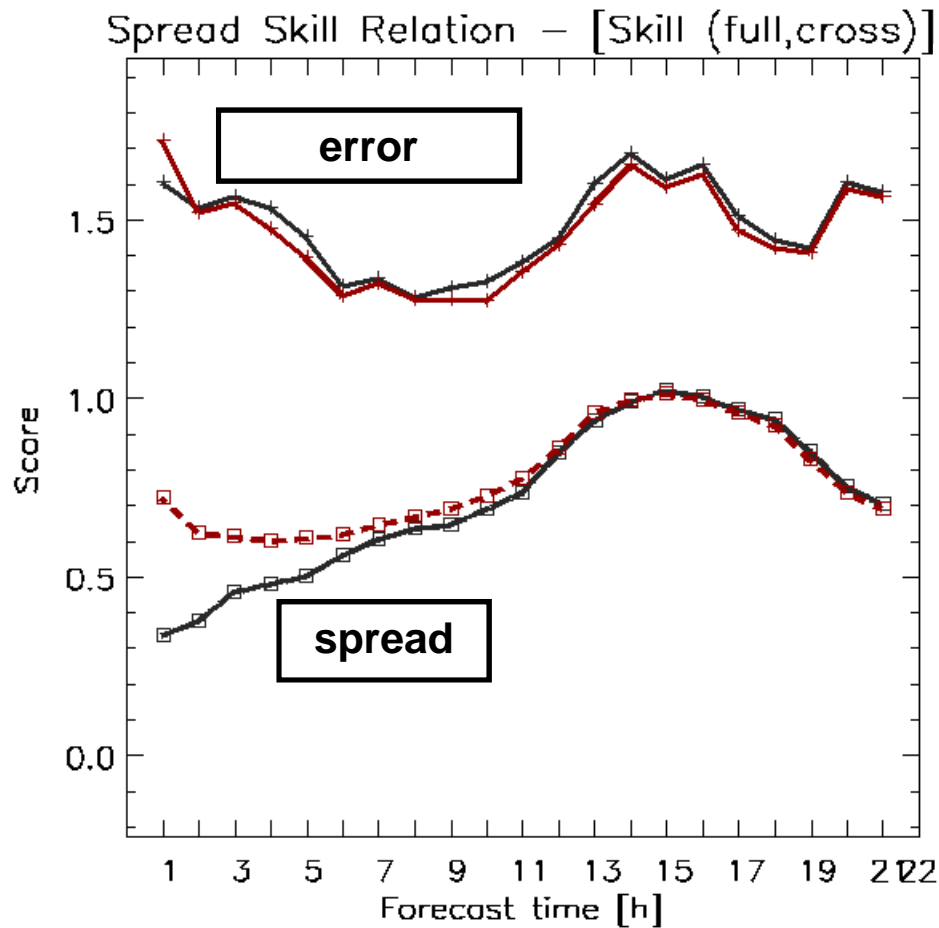
- use of KENDA for IC perturbations
- extension to 40 Members (COSMO-LEPS as additional BCs)
- calibration of probabilistic products
- applications for renewable energy and air traffic management
- contribution to TIGGE-LAM dataset

Use of KENDA for IC perturbations

First tests in step-by-step replacement of current approach

- operational nudging analysis + perturbation anomalies from BC-EPS replaced by 20 (of 40) KENDA ICs (T, U, V, QV, QC, PP)
- no radar data / no latent heat nudging
- BC-EPS BC as in COSMO-DE-EPS
- physics perturbations as in COSMO-DE-EPS
- No soil moisture perturbation
- Short (!) test period : 20-25 July 2012

Use of KENDA for IC perturbations



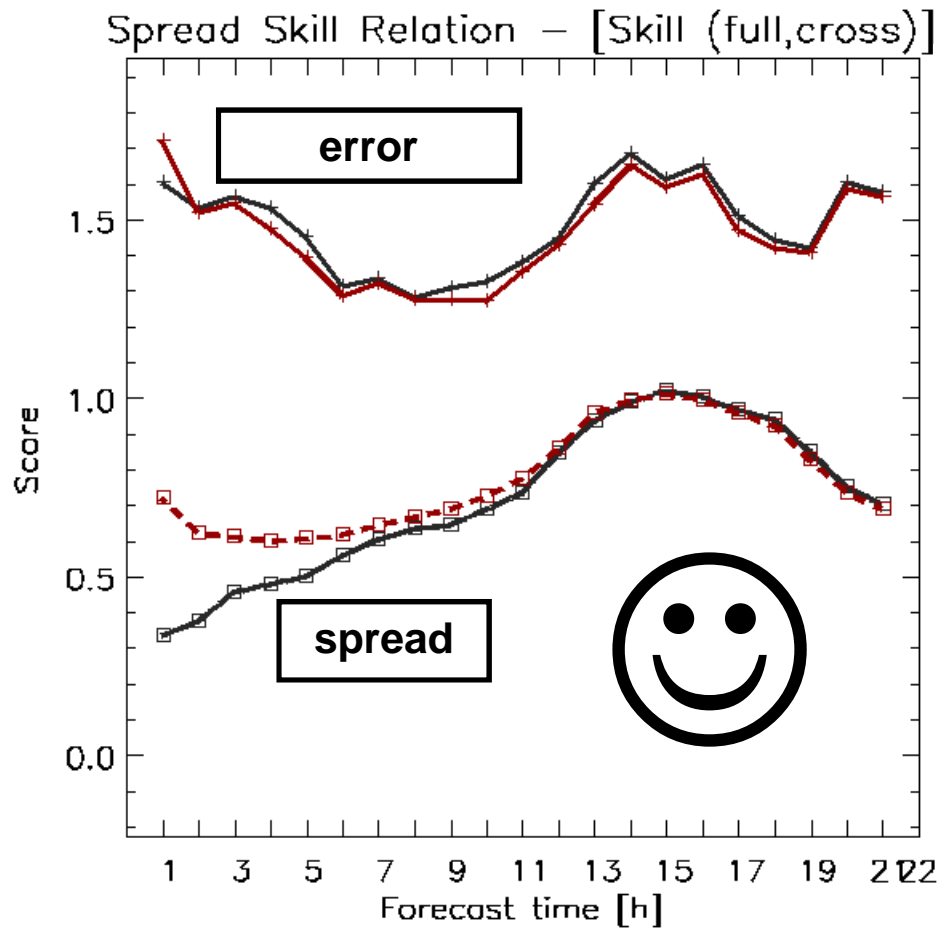
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operational

using KENDA



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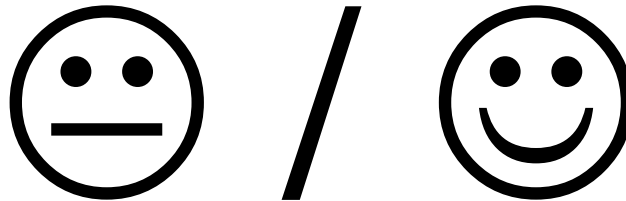
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T_2M

TOT_PREC



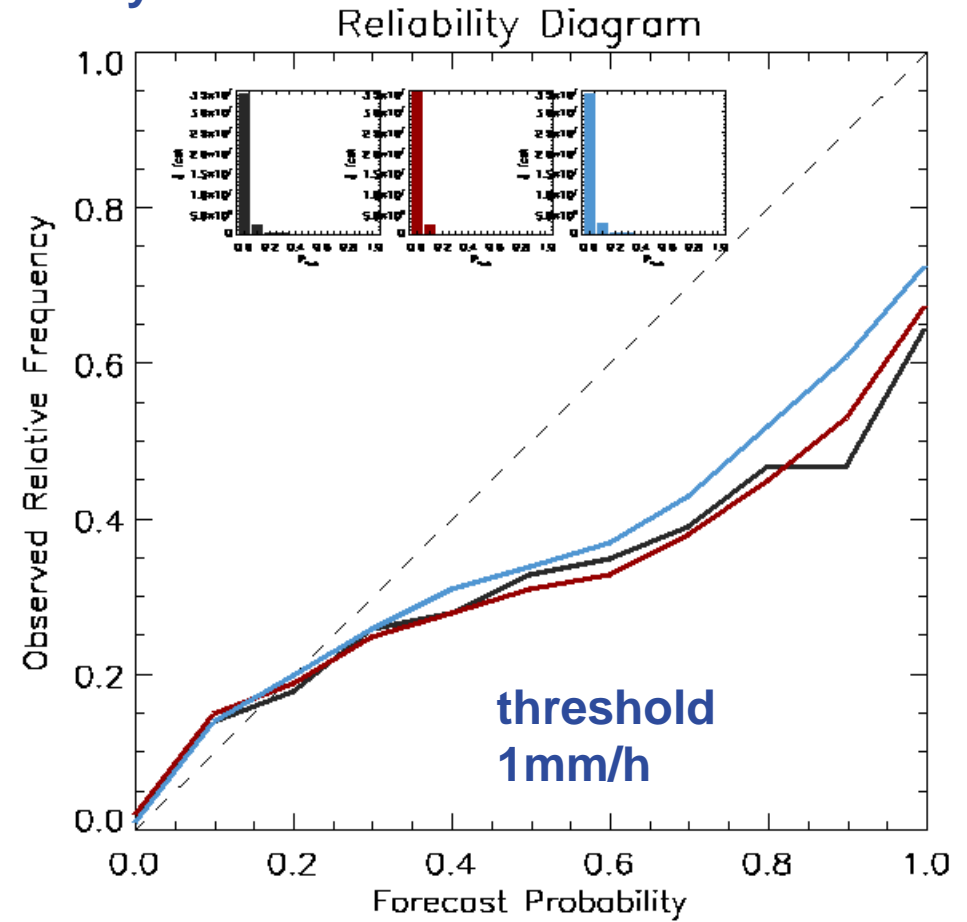
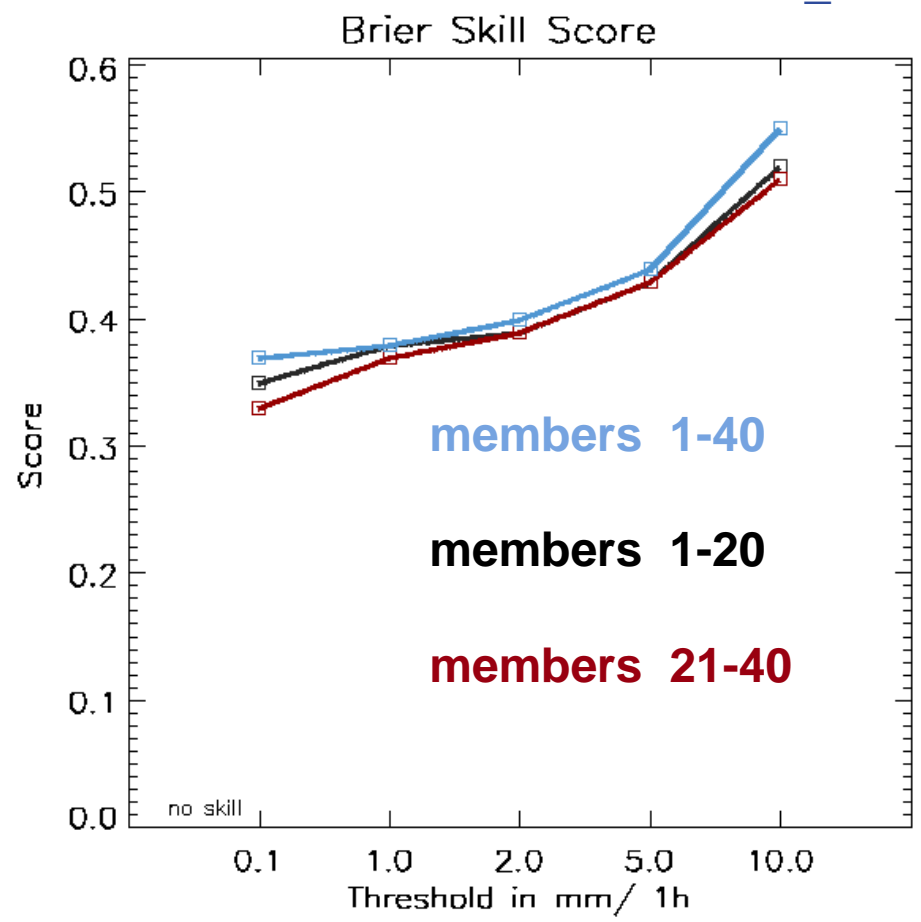
- longer time series including more relevant cases needed for a robust evaluation
- first steps of bringing KENDA IC and COSMO-DE-EPS together
- more refinements to come

Extension to 40 members using COSMO-LEPS as BC/ICs

- use COSMO-LEPS members 1 to 4 as boundary forecasts and for IC perturbations
(no systematic difference between any two COSMO-LEPS members out of members 1- 8)
- physics and soil moisture perturbations as in operational 20 members
- results in 20 additional members
- mixed results for several different test periods and test set-ups
(COSMO / INT2LM version, LEPS physics, time lag of IFS EPS member...)

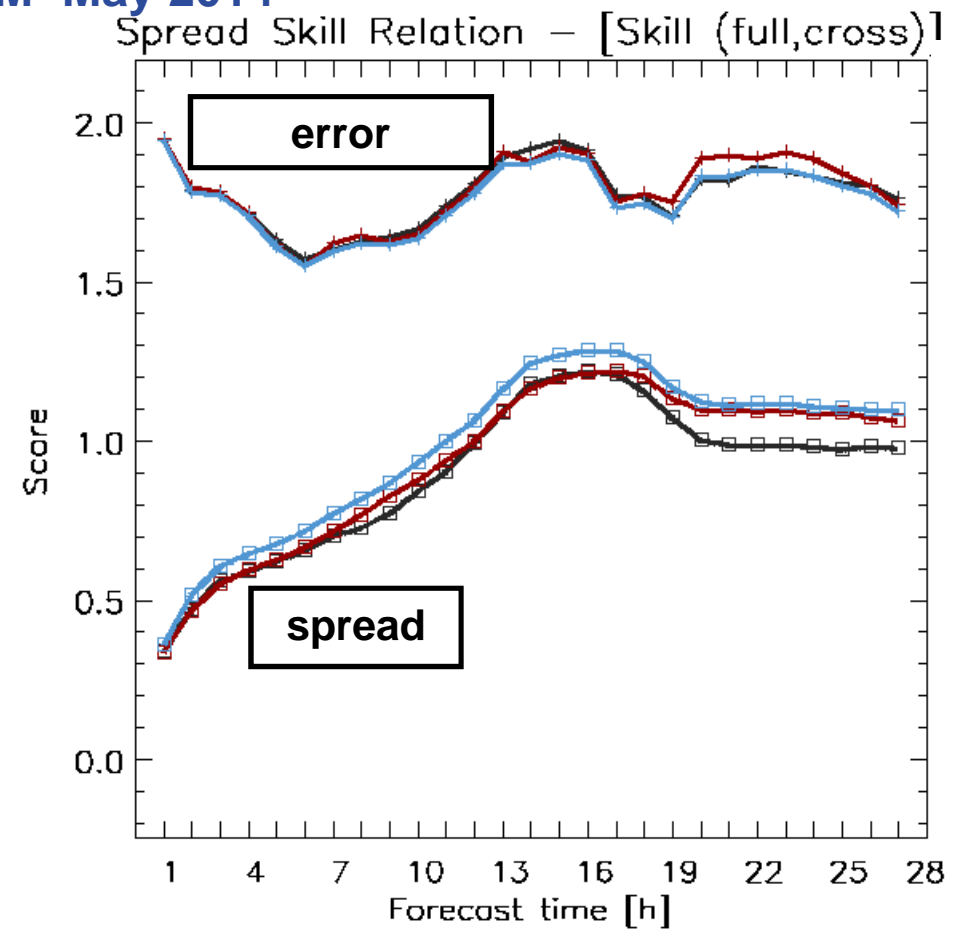
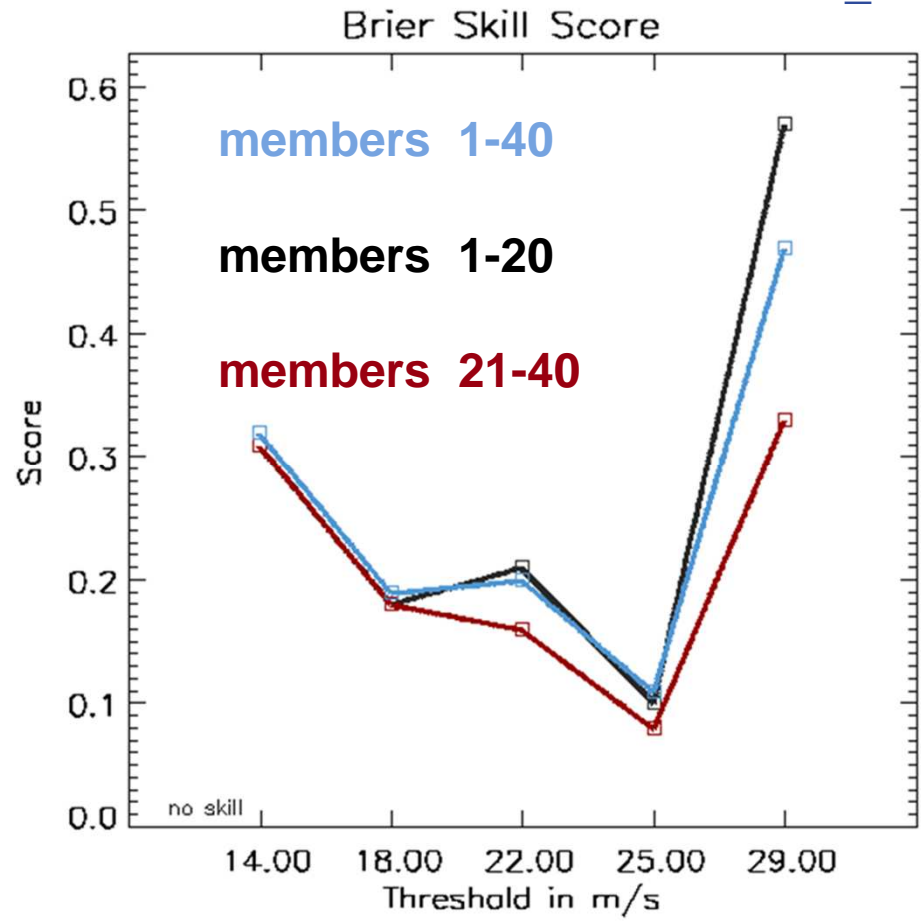
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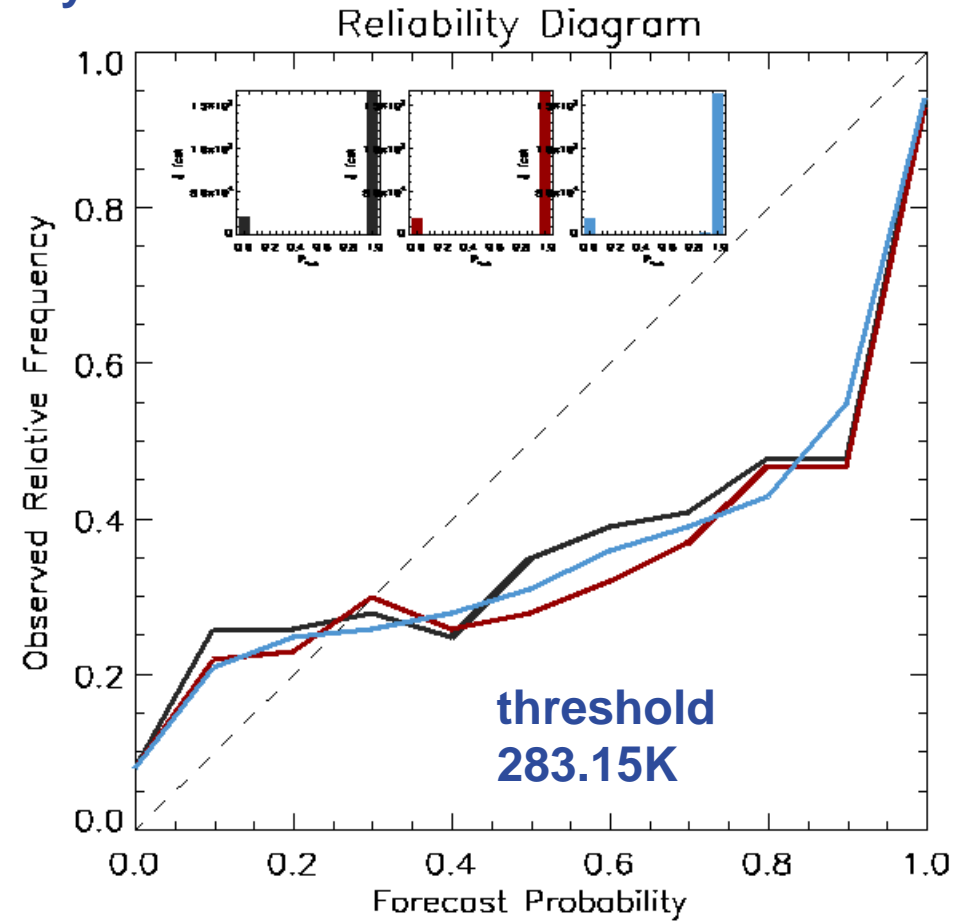
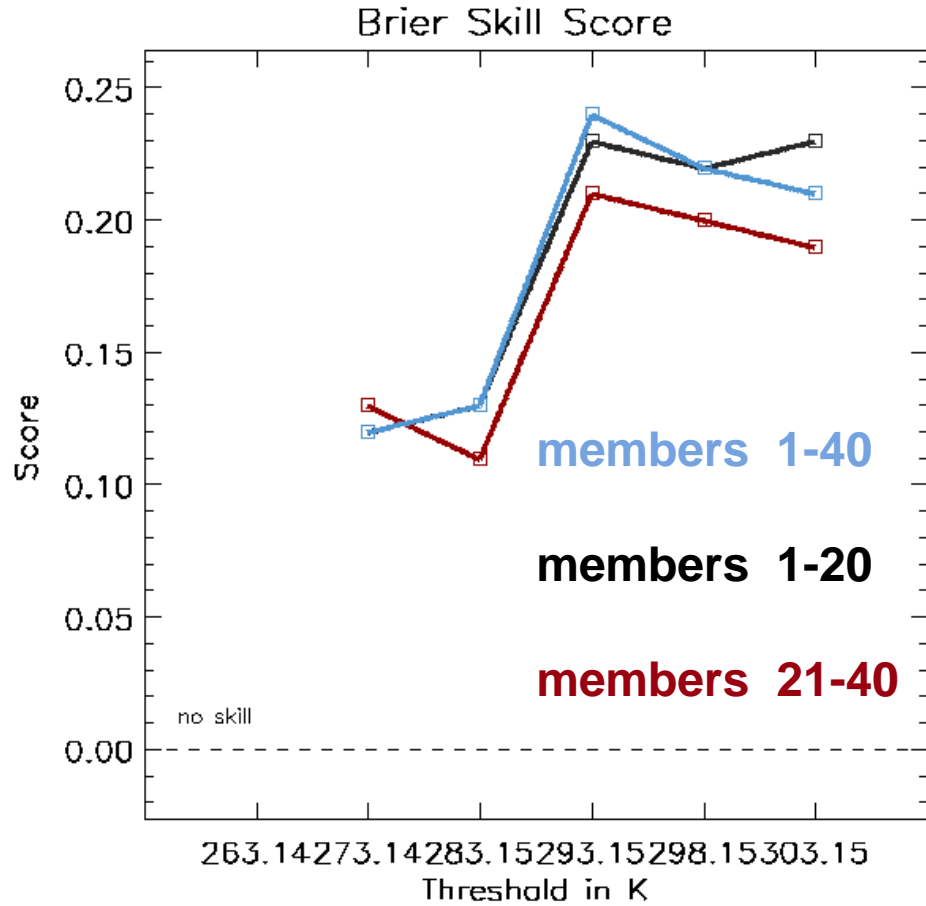
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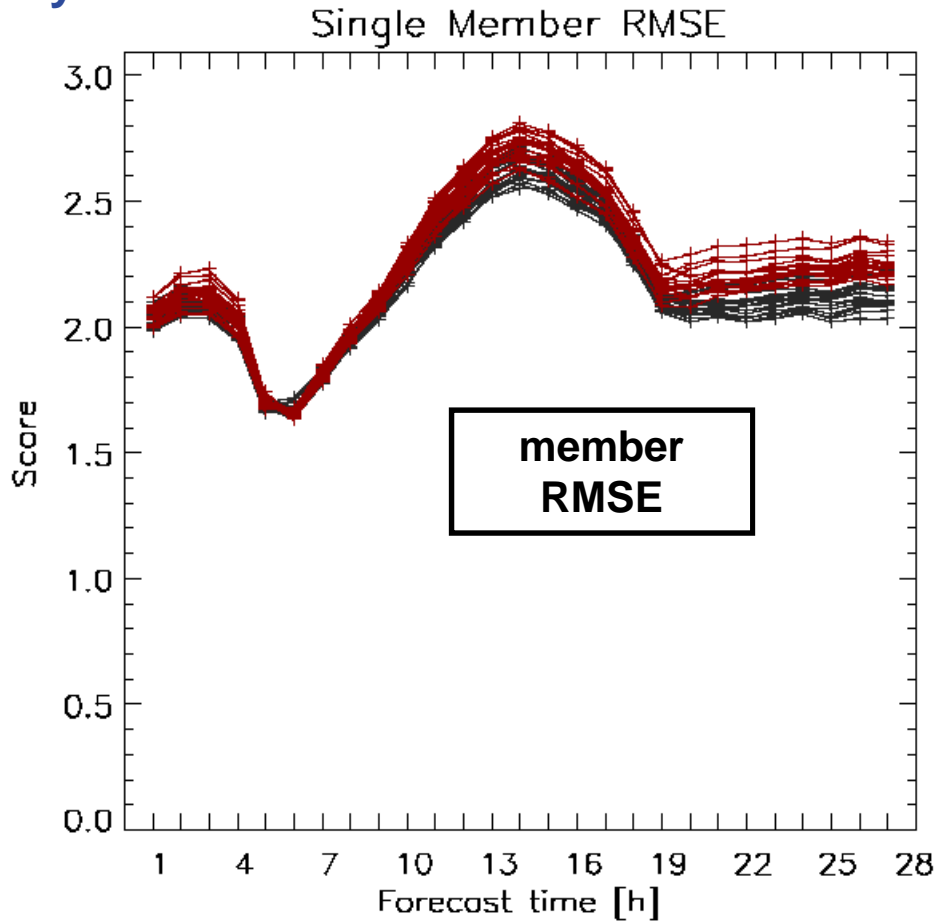
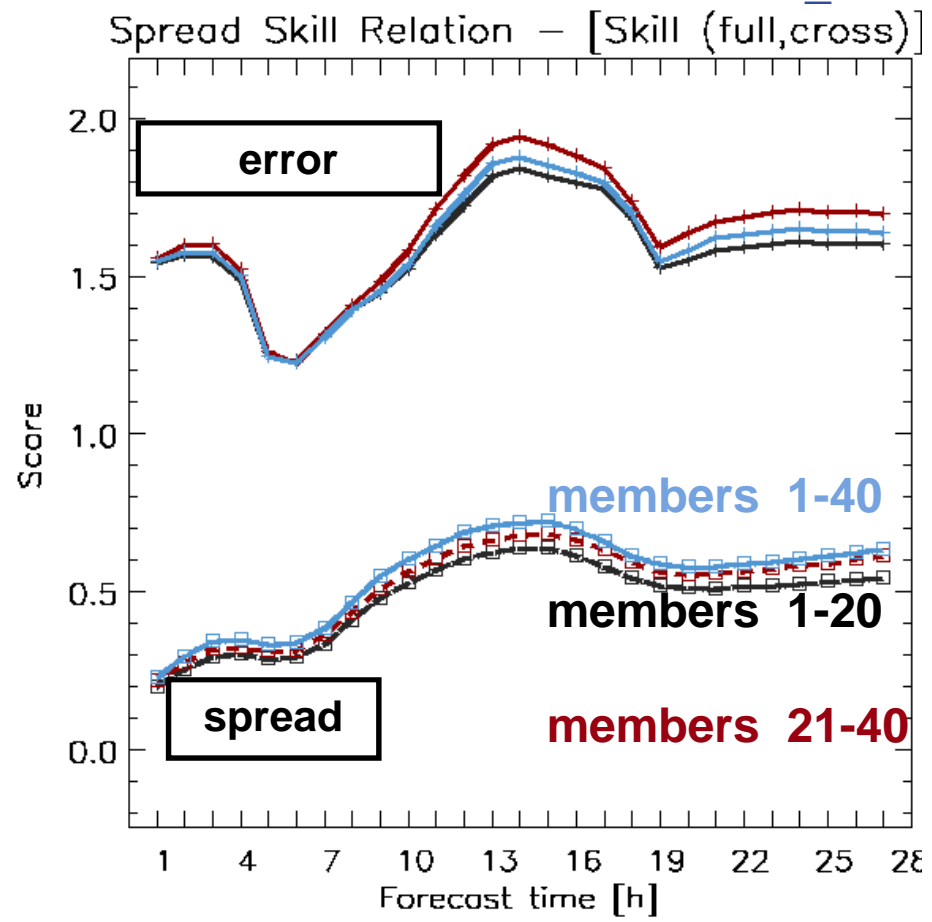
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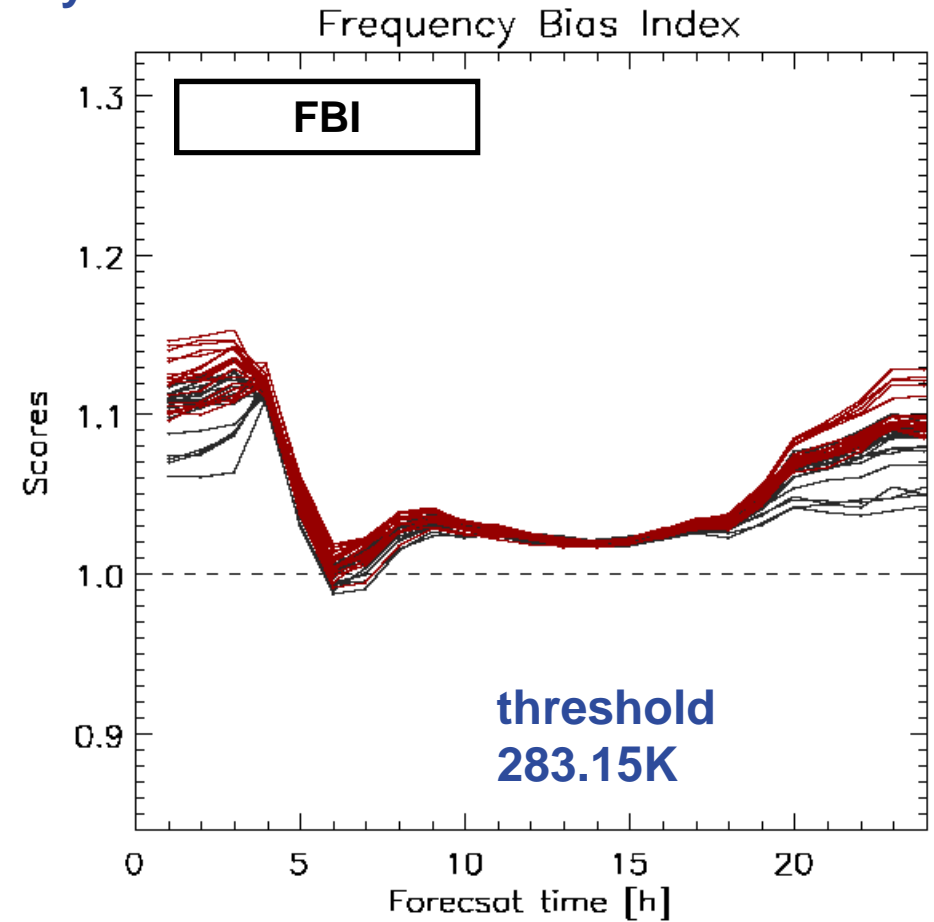
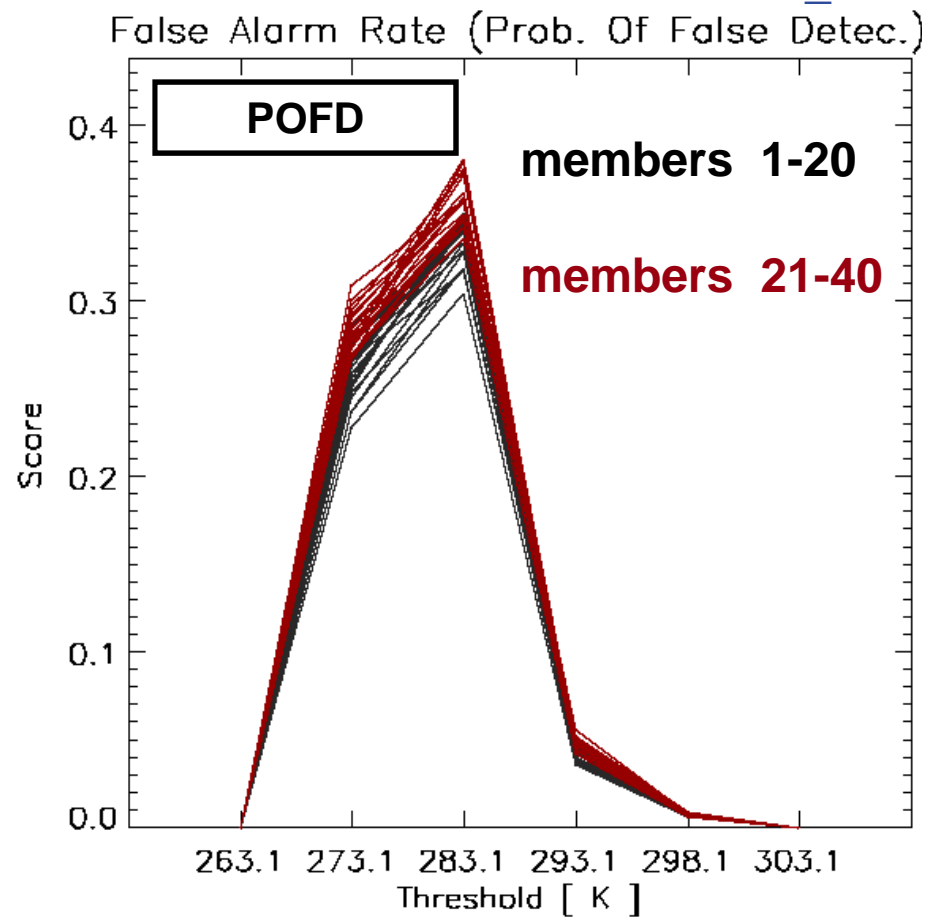
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Extension to 40 members using COSMO-LEPS as BC/ICs

- the 20 additional members have skill by themselves
- but they do not add remarkable skill to the existing system
- in particular T_2M seems to be problematic
- more research needed ...

Contribution to TIGGE-LAM data set

- COSMO-DE-EPS available since 1st Jan 2014
- 00, 06, 12, 18 UTC
- all members with 27h forecast range
- selected variables
- <https://software.ecmwf.int/wiki/display/TIGGE/TIGGE-LAM>
(TIGGE-LAM info)
- http://apps.ecmwf.int/datasets/data/tigge_lam/
(TIGGE-LAM data portal)

Future plans

- use of ICON EPS for BC perturbations
- add new physics perturbations or alternative perturbation methods (e.g. stochastic physics)