



Priority Project  
CALibration of the COSMO MOdel  
CALMO

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# Introduction

- Started on February 2013
- Based on the work of Neelin et al. 2010, Bellprat et al. 2012
- Preliminary phase finished within COSMO year 2014-15
  - 3 parameters (tur\_len, tkhmin and rlam\_heat)
  - 3 variables : maximum daily temperature (Tmax), minimum daily temperature (Tmin) and 24 hours accumulated precipitation (Pr)
  - two 3-weeks periods winter (3-20/1/2008) and summer (2-20/6/2008)
- Manuscript submitted at JAMC
- Phase 2 includes
  - Calibration of COSMO GPU code in high-resolution within year 2015-16
  - Sensitivity experiments on additional parameters finished.



# The performance score (contribution of IMS)

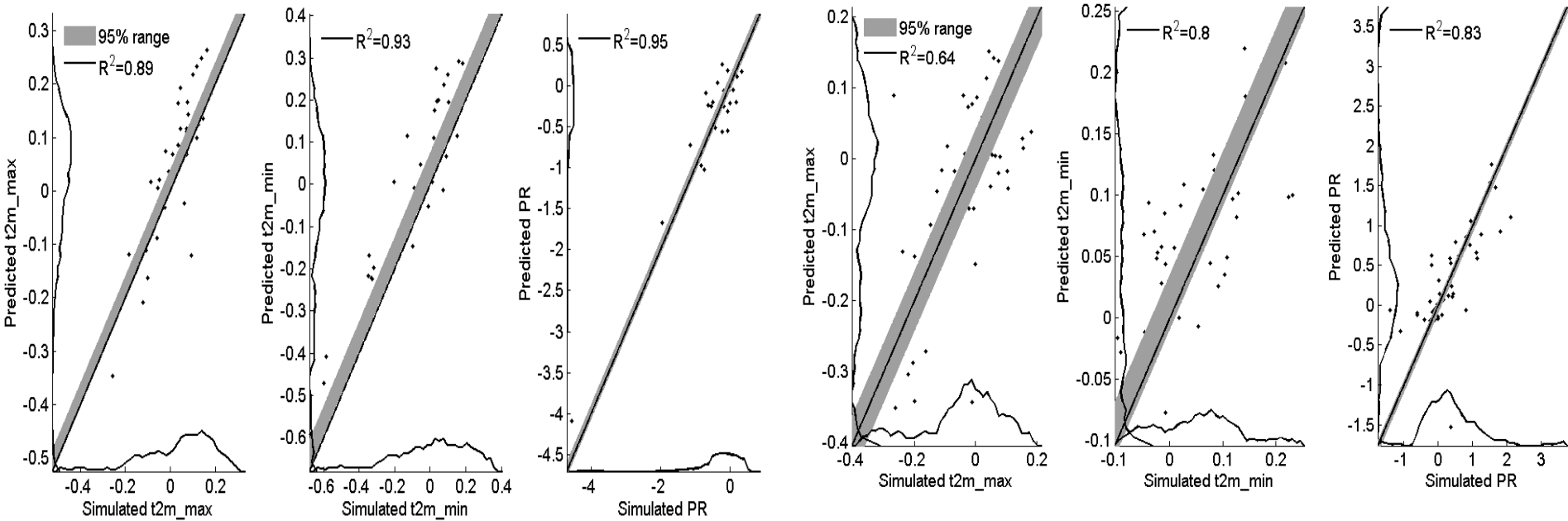
$$S_p = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N_{regs} \times N_{days}} \sum_{regions} \sum_{days} \left\{ \frac{(F_{Tmax,p,i,r} - O_{Tmax,i,r})^2}{W_{Tmax} \times (\sigma_{Tmax,r})^2} + \frac{(F_{Tmin,p,i,r} - O_{Tmin,i,r})^2}{W_{Tmin} \times (\sigma_{Tmin,r})^2} + \frac{(F_{Pr,p,i,r} - O_{Pr,i,r})^2}{W_{Pr} \times (\sigma_{Pr,r})^2} \right\}}$$

$$W_F = \frac{1}{N_{comb}} \sum_p \left\{ \frac{1}{N_{regs} \times N_{days}} \sum_{regions} \sum_{days} \frac{(F_{p,i,r} - O_{i,r})^2}{\sigma_r^2} \right\}$$

$$\sigma_r = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N_{days}} \sum_{days} (O_{i,r} - \bar{O}_{i,r})^2}$$

Note: Lower  $S_p$  deviation value, stands for better score, and better the specific parameters combination.

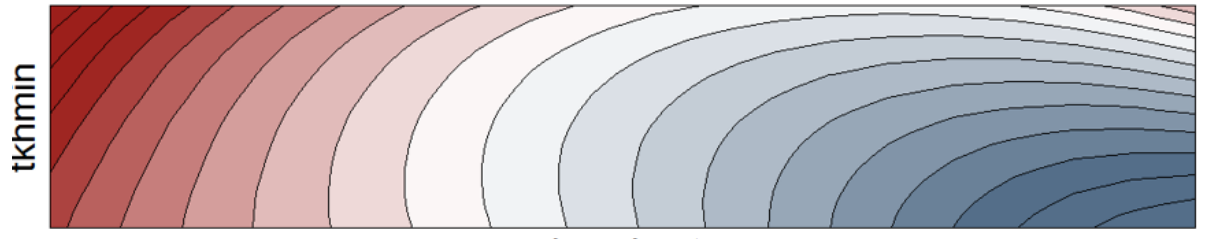
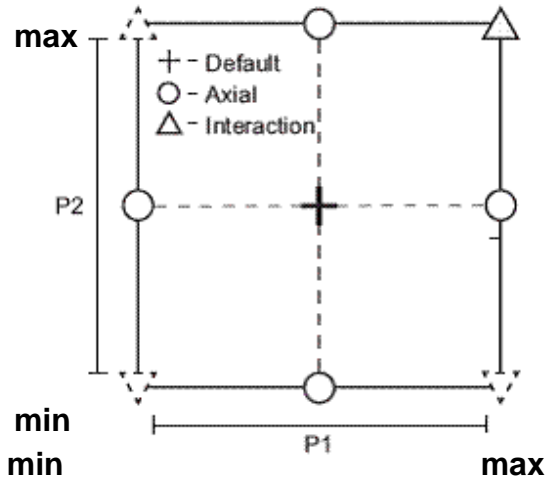
# Accuracy of the MM



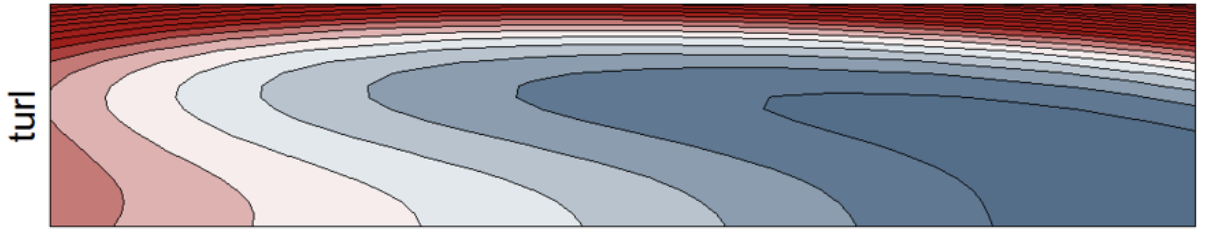
*Tmax (left panel), Tmin (centered panel) and precipitation (right panel) for the period 3-20.1.2008*

*Tmax (left panel), Tmin (centered panel) and precipitation (right panel) for the period 2-20.6.2008*

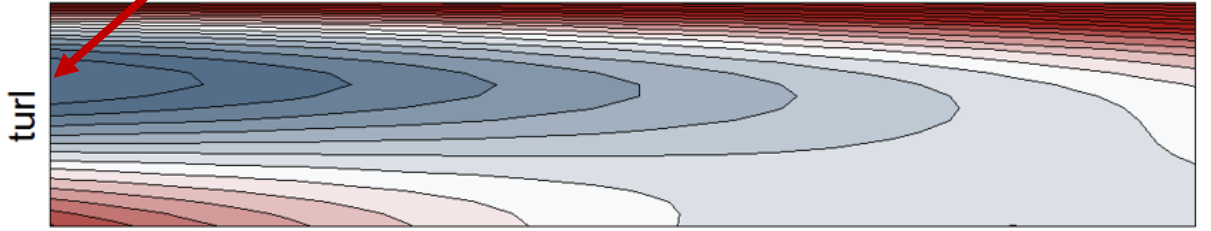
3-20.01.2008



rlam\_heat

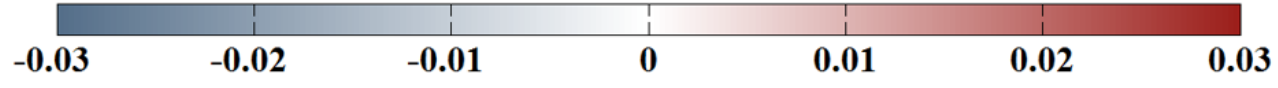


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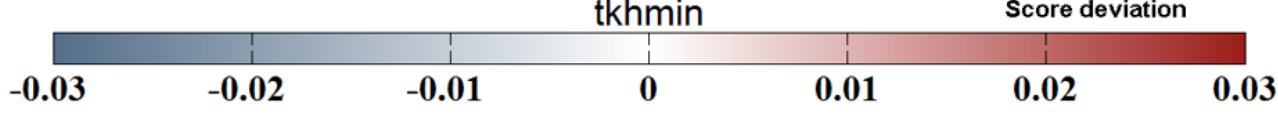
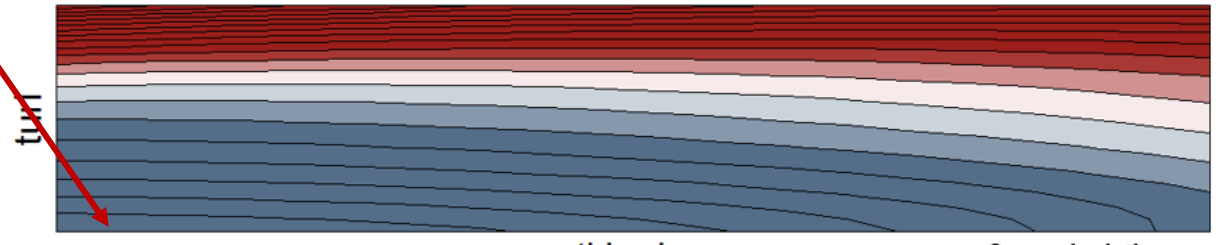
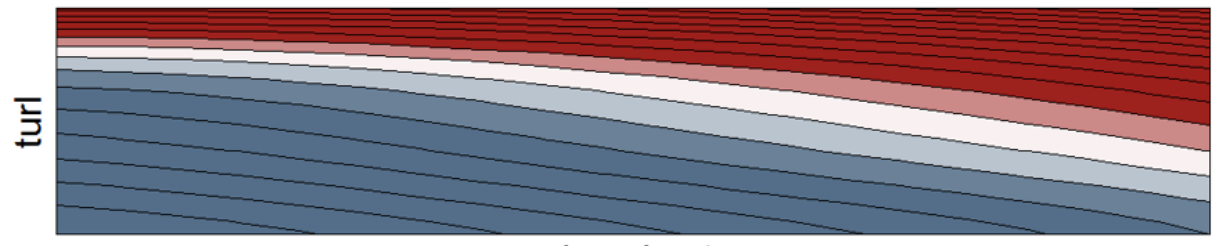
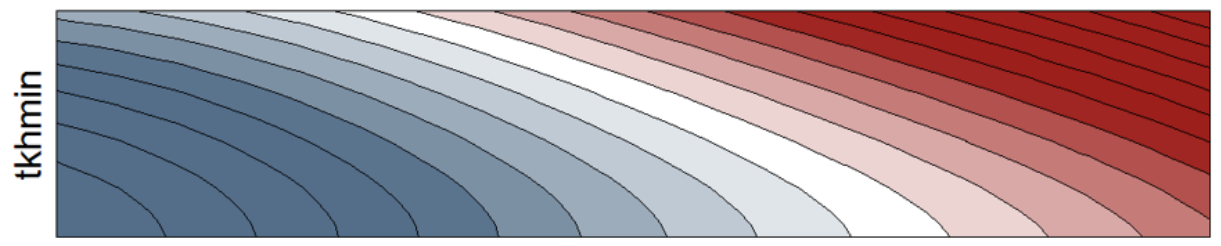
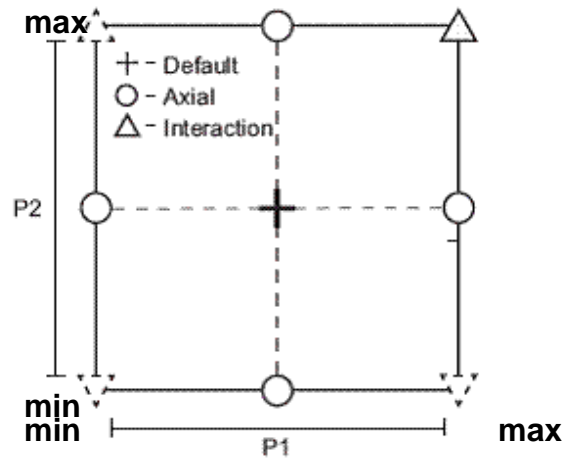


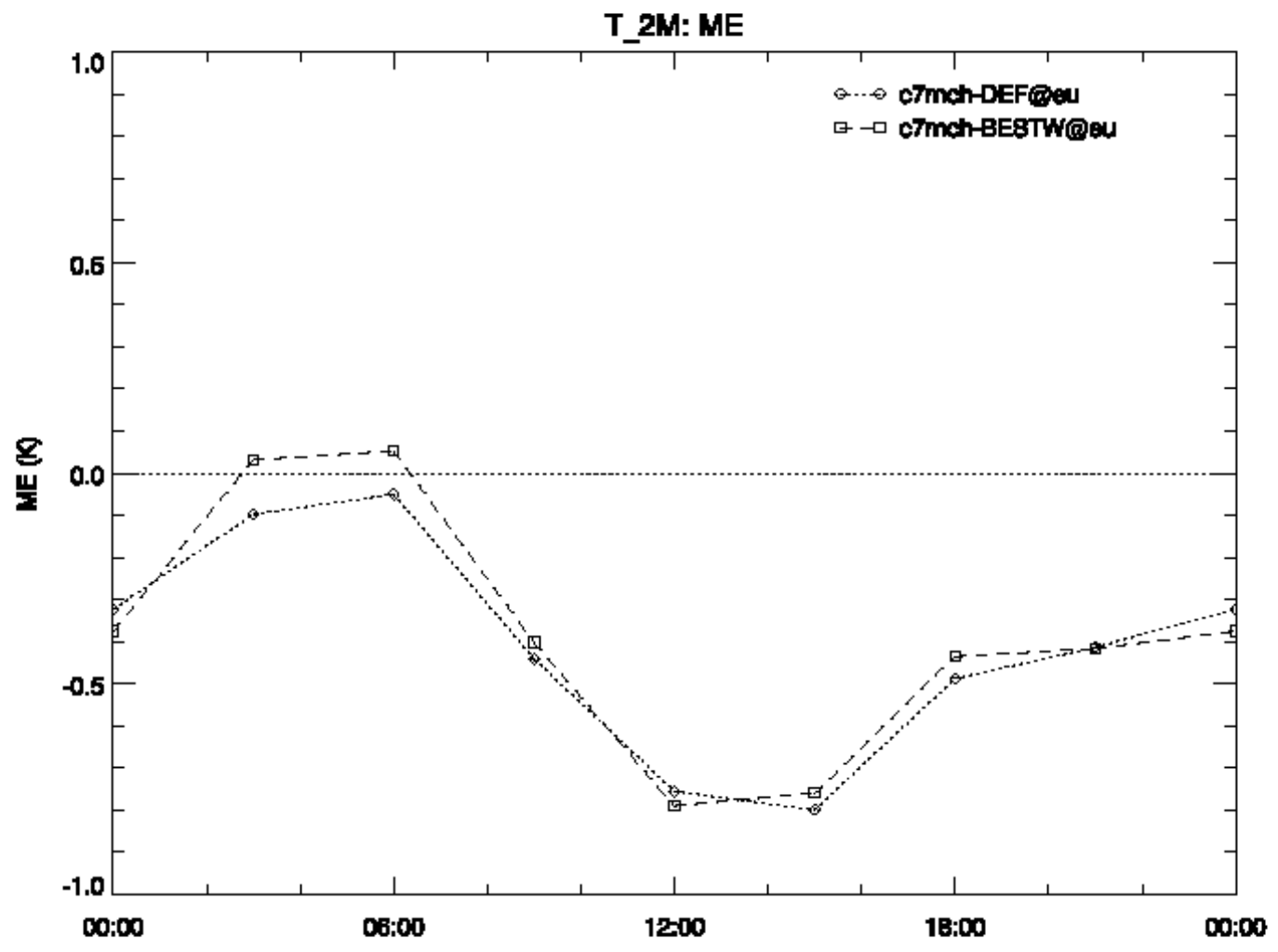
tkhmin

Score deviation



2-20.06.2008









# What have we learned?



- Selection of parameters requires:
  - Detailed definition of parameter ranges.
  - Sensitivity experiments within allowed ranges
- Minimum number of experiments required to fit the MM is not  $2N+N(N-1)/2$ , should follow a Box Behnken experiment design (sufficient to fit a [quadratic model](#) )
- Observations to fit the MM
- The performance score to be used requires:
  - observation errors,
  - weighting factors,
  - Variables compination
- Methodology CAN be transferred to NWP

A detailed technical report (No 25) summarizing results of the first stage of CALMO is now available to COSMO though:

<http://www.cosmo-model.org/content/model/documentation/techReports/docs/techReport25.pdf>



# Sensitivity experiments (contribution of E. Avgoustoglou)

13 parameters were considered.



3 values/parameter including default.



The evaluation period consisted of 62 days from year 2013, i.e.:  
February 1-20, June 1-20, December 10-31.



2418 runs based on COSMO.v5.0

- ⊕ Horizontal grid size:  $0.0625^{\circ}$  (~7km).
- ⊕ 649x393 grid points (wider mediterranean area), 60 levels.
- ⊕ Integration time-step: 30 secs.
- ⊕ Integration period: 48 hs.
- ⊕ Boundary conditions : 6hr IFS Analysis.
- ⊕ Computational Cost ~  $10^7$  b.u. on Cray X C30 of ECMWF (gratis HNMS).



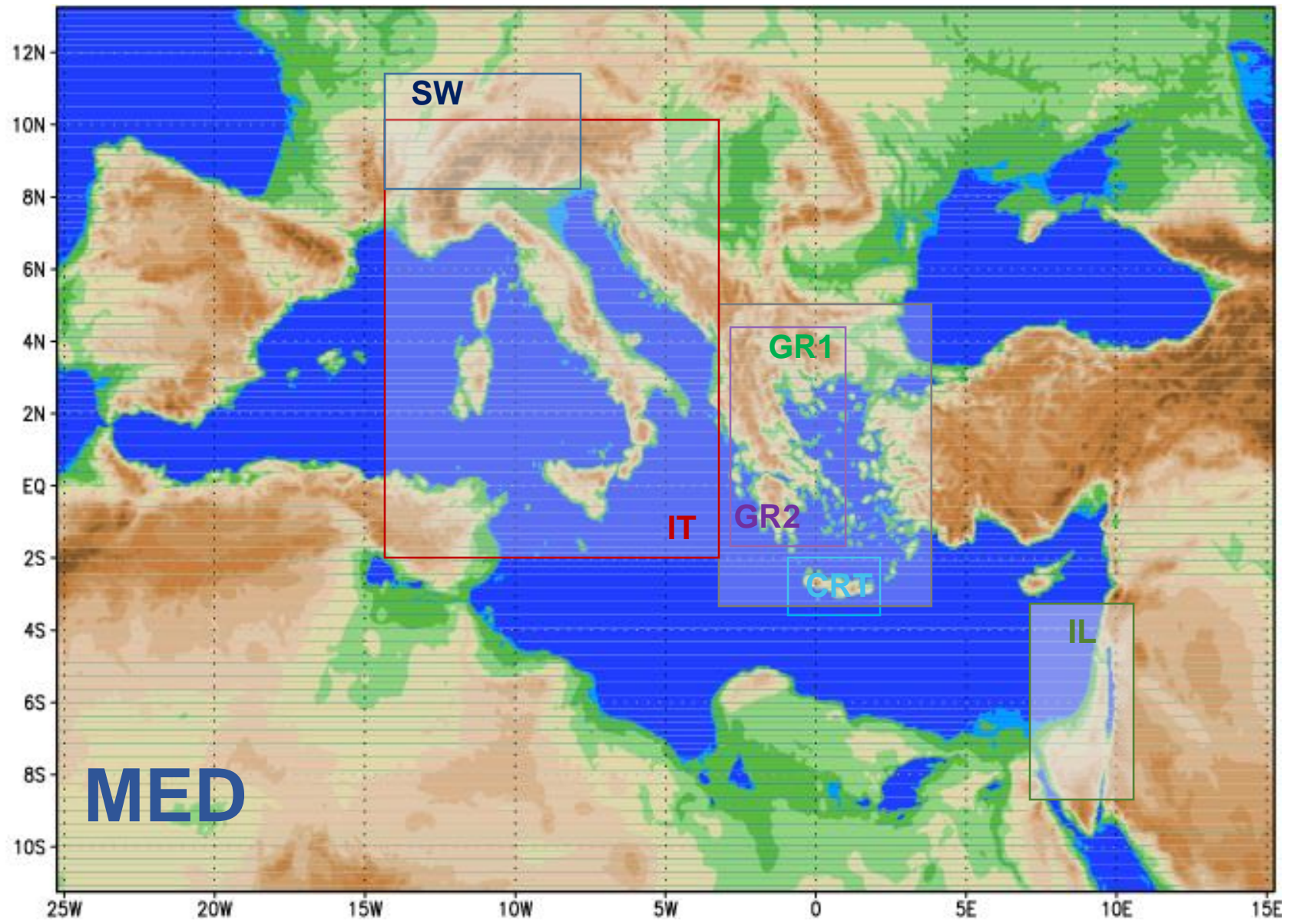
# DEFINITION OF SENSITIVITIES (S)

$$S_{\langle P \rangle} (\%) = \frac{\langle P \rangle_{TEST} - \langle P \rangle_{DEFAULT}}{\langle P \rangle_{DEFAULT}} \bullet 100$$

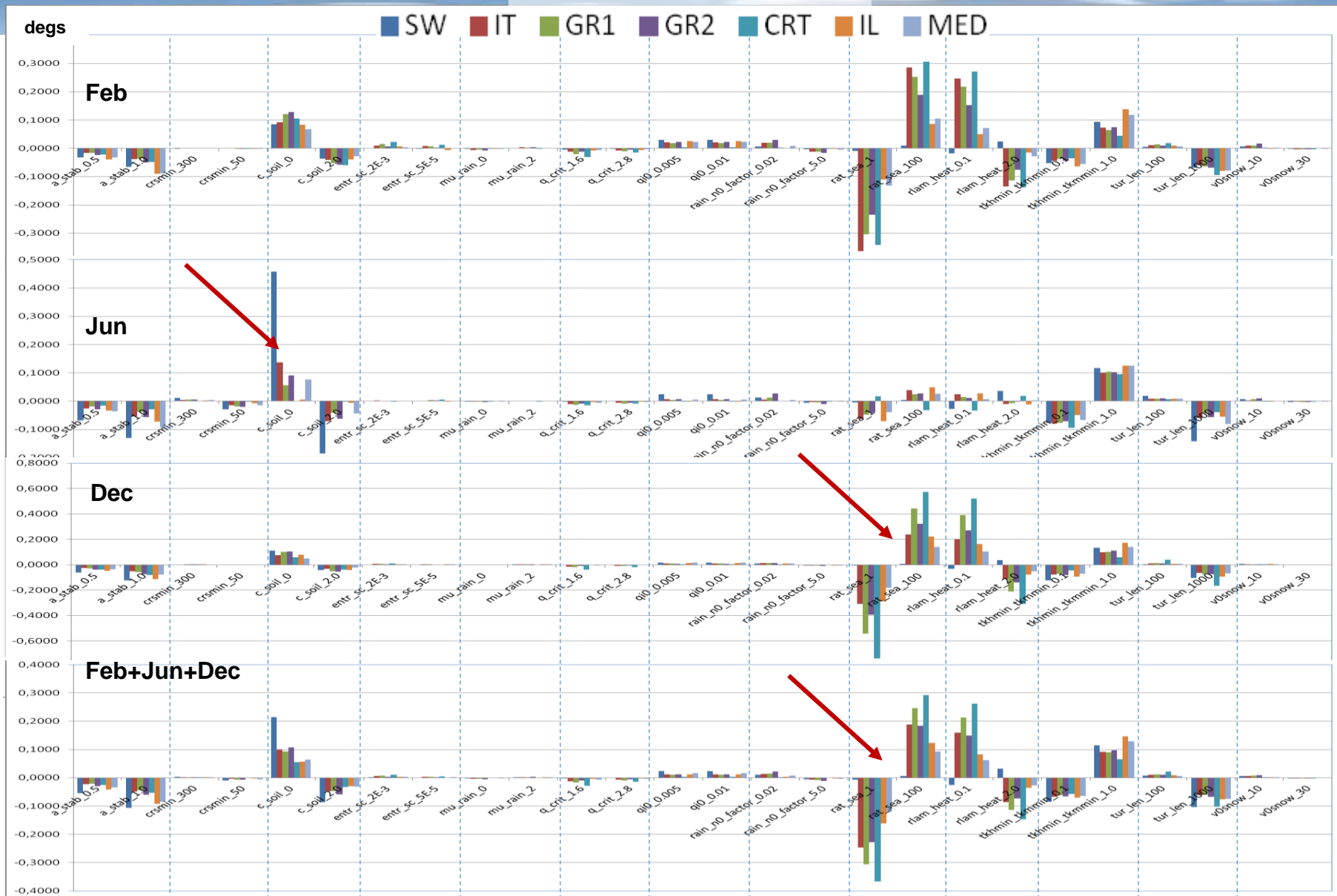
$\langle P \rangle$  stands for  $\langle SNOWGSP \rangle$  or  $\langle TOTPREC \rangle$  or  $\langle CLCL \rangle$  or  $\langle CLCM \rangle$  or  $\langle CLCH \rangle$  or  $\langle CLCT \rangle$

$$S_{\{\langle TOTPREC \rangle, \langle SNOWGSP \rangle, \langle CLCH \rangle, \langle CLCM \rangle, \langle CLCL \rangle\}} = |S_{\langle TOTPREC \rangle}| + |S_{\langle SNOWGSP \rangle}| + |S_{\langle CLCH \rangle}| + |S_{\langle CLCM \rangle}| + |S_{\langle CLCL \rangle}|$$

$$S_{\begin{bmatrix} TMIN 2m \\ TMAX 2m \end{bmatrix}} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle TMIN 2m \rangle \\ \langle TMAX 2m \rangle \end{bmatrix}_{TEST} - \begin{bmatrix} \langle TMIN 2m \rangle \\ \langle TMAX 2m \rangle \end{bmatrix}_{DEFAULT}$$



# Sensitivity for TMIN2m



Pars:	a_stab	crsmin	c_soil	entr_sc	mu_rain	q_crit	qi0	rain_n0_factor	rat_sea	rlam_heat	tkhmin_tkhmin	tur_len	v0snow
Lims:	0.0, 1.0	50, 300	0, 2	5E-5, 2E-3	0, 2	1.6, 2.8	0, 0.01	0.02, 5.0	10, 100	0.1, 2.0	0.1, 1.0	100, 1000	10, 30
Def:	0.5 ●	150	1 ●	3E-4	1	4.0	0.005 ●	1.0	20 ●	1.0 ●	0.4 ●	150 ●	20

# Sensitivity for {TOTPREC,SNOWGSP,CLCH,CLCM,CLCL}



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Def:	0.5	150 <span style="color: orange;">●</span>	1 <span style="color: orange;">●</span>	3E-4 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	1	4.0 <span style="color: orange;">●</span>	0.005 <span style="color: gray;">●</span>	1.0	20 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	1.0 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	0.4 <span style="color: orange;">●</span>	150 <span style="color: orange;">●</span>	20 <span style="color: orange;">●</span>



# Parameters selection

Surface layer		
Name	range	comment
c_soil	[0,1*,c_lnd]	c_lnd=2
rlam_heat (and rat_sea)	[0.1,1*,2] ([1,20*,100])	<i>changes in rlam_heat must be compensated by an inverse change of rat_sea in order to maintain (at least approximately) rlam_heat*rat_sea. [0,20*, 200)</i> <i>This in principle also applies to COSMO model unless we intend to change the evaporation over water.</i>

7(-8) parameters = 57(113)  
instead of 36 (45)  
simulation to fit the MM  
according to rule

turbulence		
Name	range	comment
tur_len	[100,150*,1000]	L_scal=MIN(0.5*_hori, tur_len
tkhmin (and tkmmin)	[0.1, 0.4*, 1]	<i>Should be equal!</i> <i>Increasing values does not keep low clouds, decreasing values better scores</i>

Shallow convection		
Name	range	comment
entr_sc	[0.5,3*,20]E-04	

Vegetation and soil		
Name	range	comment
crsmin	[50,150*,300]	
kexpdec	[0, 2*, 2]	<i>f=2 in Decharme et al. 2006, parameter for hydraulic conductivity induced in Tuning namelist by G.Morsier</i>

Grid scale precipitation		
Name	range	comment
v0snow	[10,20*,30]	25 in COSMO-EU In (data_gscp.f90)



# Conclusions

- Objective calibration is possible for NWP models and has several advantages: transparent, efficient, effective.
- Calibration methodology can be a useful tool for ensemble predictions.
- Selection of model parameters/performance score is a crucial but also user-depended step
- Additional parameterization development and new model implementations is always needed but...
- Calibration is also then meaningful in order to substitute expert tuning!
- <http://mail.cosmo-model.org/mailman/listinfo/cosmo-calmo>





Stay tuned.....

