WG3a-Activities and PT ConSAT:

- ✓ Experiences with the stochastic boundary layer perturbation
- ✓ Results from monitoring the operational LPI in COSMO-DE
- ✓ Implementation of Tiedke-Bechthold Cumulus Convection Scheme
- Implementation and validation of the EDP-forecast derived from TURBDIFF within the ICON model
- ✓ Recent verification results of the common blocked TURBDIFF with COSMO-DE
- Towards a new diagnostic of equilibrium surface temperature in combination with SAT and the soil model
- ✓ Applicability of a tile approach in cases with stable stratification

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Boundary layer perturbations for convection triggering in COSMO-DE

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Generation of perturbation fields:

→ stochastic pert. of T, qv and w in the PBL only, coupled to the variances of these quantities as derived in the turbulence scheme (Kober et al, 2015)

- → Stddev(Φ) diagnosed from turbulence scheme (only itype_turb=3)
- Choose space- and time-coherence scales for random number field below effective model resolution of these two quantities
- → α_{sh} = namelist parameter (<= 5, otherwise danger of crashes!)
- → η_{sh} = 2D random number field, smoothed by Gaussian kernel to generate coherent structures. Held constant for typical eddy turnover times (~10')



Deutscher Wetterdienst Wetter und Klima aus einer Hand



PARAMETER	DEFAULT	TYPE	MEANING
luseblpert	.FALSE.	L	Master switch
itype_blpert	1 *	INT	1 = original implementation 28 = modified options from devel
ladvect_blpert	.FALSE. *	L	If .TRUE. the random numbers η_{sh} are advected with the windspeed at level ke-10
blpert_sigma	2.5 *	REAL	STDDEV of Gaussian smoother for random numbers in units of grid points
blpert_const	2.0 *	REAL	$\alpha_{{ m sh},\Phi}$
blpert_fixedtime	600.0 *	REAL	Time increment [s] of random number update (~eddy turnover time)
seed_val	-999	INT	If -999, use either model start time or system time for the initial random number seed
lseed_use_starttime	.TRUE.	L	<pre>If seed_val = -999: if .TRUE. ,ydate_ini' determines seed, otherwise system time ,DATE_AND_TIME()'</pre>

* If luseblpert=.TRUE., these defaults reproduce the orignial Kober (2010) settings, aside from the random seeding



Experiment 10223 COSMO-DE driven by ICONEU with EDA for August 2015, comparison to 10168



First COSMO-DE-KENDA experiment by Axel using (almost) the setup of Th. Bick

• Spread and RMSE in the 1 h assimilation cycle: improved spread vs. RMSE



TBctrl = setup of Bick et al (2016) as reference (no radial winds, RTPS)

Very strong spin-down, worse scores than without perturbations! This does not look good in the deterministic forecast.

Maybe perturbations are too strong and need another tuning. But maybe other effects at work!

domain averaged precipiation rate vs. obs.



Lightning Potential Index from COSMO-DE

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- → Yair et al. (JGR, 2010), Lynn and Yair (Adv. Geosci., 2010)
- Charge separation in thunderstorms is correllated with the simultaneous presence of updrafts, supercoolded liquid water, graupel and other frozen hydrometeor types ("cloud ice", "snow")
- → This concept was modeled by the authors within the LPI-Index:

LPI =
$$f_1 f_2 \frac{1}{H_{-20^{\circ}C} - H_{0^{\circ}C}} \int_{H_{0^{\circ}C}} \epsilon w^2 g_{(w)} dz$$

 $\epsilon = \frac{2\sqrt{q_L q_F}}{q_L + q_F}$
 $q_L = q_c + q_r$
 $q_F = \frac{q_g}{2} \left[\frac{2\sqrt{q_i q_g}}{q_i + q_g} + \frac{2\sqrt{q_s q_g}}{q_s + q_g} \right]$
 $f_1, f_2 \text{ and } g(w) \text{ see next-next slide!}$



COSMO-DE oper. forecast 28.5.-31.5.2016, combined 00 UTC runs until vv=23 h











The comparison with lightning data (flash rates) "by eye" shows:

 \rightarrow Overall statistics of the space-time distribution of the LPI values > 0 corresponds well with that of the observed flash rates and suggests a simple linear probabilitymatched relation

 \rightarrow LPI intimately tied to (and limited by) the explicit simulation of convective cells in the model and its ice microphysics (updraft strength, supercooled liquid, graupel, cloud ice, snow). Ensemble prediction like COSMO-DE-EPS

 \rightarrow LPI leads to different flash signals compared to, e.g., TQG or TOT_PREC alone. Not every convective cell, which has a high TQG, leads to an LPI signal.

→Note: absolute LPI values have to be re-calibrated whenever the model's resolution or microphysics is changed.

→Possibility to assimilate Lightning data based on presented statistical LPI-FLRrelation!







Implementation of ECMWF-IFS (Tiedtke-Bechtold) Cumulus Convection Scheme into COSMO

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COSMO-EU: Surface Verification (01-10.08.2015, COSMO-EU Domain, 00 UTC forecasts)



COSMO-DE: Surface Verification (01-31.08.2015, 00 UTC frsts)







- ECMWF-IFS (Tiedtke-Bechtold) cumulus convection is implemented into COSMO
- IFS scheme is included into the official COSMO code (version 5.05/5.04b)
- Results from test runs look reasonable; verification scores are neutral to slightly positive

In the future:

- Address drizzle problem (cf. ICON)
- IFS scheme may/should become a default option within COSMO (towards unified COSMO-ICON physics)





Global EDP forecasting with ICON – implementation and validation

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Turbulence observed in the neighbourhood of convective events

TKE production due to convection only diagnostically added in post processing so far













Work related to PT ConSAT:





Recent verification results of the common blocked TURBDIFF with COSMO-DE:

- ✓ Exp 10279: Turbulence model and VDiff as in ICON
- ✓ Exp 10281: Turbulence model as in ICON; VDiff with current unblocked version

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low- and mid level cloud cover in %



vers=ana 1m3 exp 10279 st time=00Z23JUN2016 domain averaged daily cycles of near-surface variables



Averaged daily cycles of surface fluxes



Towards a new diagnostic of equilibrium surface temperature in combination with SAT and the soil model:

- ✓ Completion of the roughness layer model
- ✓ Thermal decoupling of a Cover above the dense soil
- ✓ Representation of the thermal energy storage of the roughness layer

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- **n cover layers** including the surface of the dense soil (n=0) are connected by long-wave radiation interaction and sensible heat exchange
- Only a part of the inner surfaces is connected to A by the resistance chain, the other part is for the inter- surface exchange Strongly effects the LAIimpact of transpiration!

'turbtran':
$$\begin{array}{ccc} T_{A}, q_{v_{A}}, p \checkmark (u_{m}, v_{m})_{A} \longrightarrow r_{SA}^{H,M}, tke_{H}, K_{H}^{H,M} & r_{0A}^{H,M} \end{array}$$

'terra':
$$T_A, q_{v_A}, r_{SA}^H \longrightarrow T_S$$
 valid for **next** time level may be **out of equilibrium**
s valid for **next** time level, **after tile loop:** averaged grid cell values
related to **current evaporation**
used for **next** time level

• Diagnostic of surface temperature:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \hline itype_surf=0 \\ \hline itype_surf=1 \\ \hline T_{C} = T_{B} + (T_{S} - T_{B})/a_{C} \\ \hline T_{R} = T_{B} + (T_{C} - T_{B}) \cdot a_{C}^{R} \\ \hline T_{C} = T_{B} + (T_{S} - T_{B})/a_{C} \\ \hline T_{R} = \left(SRF_{u,d}^{0} + LRF_{d}^{0} + PHF^{0} \right) + LRF_{u}^{0} + \partial_{T} \left[LRF_{u}^{0} \right] \cdot (T_{R}^{0} - T_{S}^{0}) + SHF^{0} + LHF^{0} \\ \hline \rightarrow T_{B} \\ \hline T_{S} = T_{B} \\ \hline \left(\frac{(MC)_{C}}{\Delta t} \cdot (T_{C} - T_{C}^{0}) = THF^{0} + \partial_{T_{B}} \left[LRF_{u}^{0} + SHF^{0} + LHF^{0} \right] \cdot (T_{B} - T_{B}^{0}) + \partial_{T_{C}} \left[SHF^{0} + LHF^{0} \right] \cdot (T_{C} - T_{C}^{0}) \\ \hline -\partial_{T} \left[GHF^{0} \right] \cdot (T_{C} - T_{B}) \\ \hline T_{S} = a_{B}T_{B} + a_{C}T_{C} \end{array}$$





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Subgrid scale thermal surface heterogeneity eatment in the turbulence scheme for stable PE	Ines Cerenzia ^{1,2} Ekaterina Machulskaya ³	¹ University of Bologna, Italy ² Arpae-Emilia Romagna SIMC, Italy ³ Deutscher Wetterdienst, Germany	<image/>

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Which tools does COSMO need to simulate the effect of the subgrid thermal heterogeneity of the surface in stable situation?

Method: To compare COSMO-LES and COSMO in idealized case studies, testing the available tools (thermal circulation parameterization in turbulence code) and possibly coming tools (tile approach, turbulence scheme with prognostic scalar variance equations).

- COSMO+Tile already catches the general features (eg. less stable profile) but overestimates turbulent diffusion
- COSMO+Tile+TKESV improves the Tile performance (reduced overestimation of turbulent diffusion)
- COSMO+Tcirc does not catch the general features → it is designed as a thermal SSO-term!

Next: consider different stratification intensities and heterogeneities area

