

MEC-based KENDA for ICON-LAM

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KENDA system setup (operational)



operational KENDA setup; 'o-fg' denotes observation minus first guess, '**K**' the Kalman Gain for the analysis mean. BC are taken from ICON-EU (20/6.5 km resolution)

MEC-based setup

- ▶ same as before, but (o-fg) computed by additional MEC step
 - MEC reads first guess grib files and observations from cdfin files
 - currently no temporal interpolation, observation equivalents are computed with first guess only (at analysis time; "3D LETKF")
 - \blacktriangleright name of feedback files: fof \rightarrow mof
- for COSMO, we can compare COSMO-ONLINE/COSMO-MEC
- If the differences are not too big, compare ICON-MEC/COSMO-MEC

experiment setup

- Model:
 - ▶ ICON-LAM, 2.5 km resolution, COSMO-DE domain
 - COSMO-DE, 2.8 km resolution
 - same BC (from ICON-EU)
- experiments done with new BACY1.0, 6 days assimilation cycle (2016052600-2016060100) incl. MODE-S
- LHN was switched on, but in ICON-LAM not used due to a bug in the source code
- forecasts from 2016052606-2016060100 (deterministic only, 24 h forecast length)
- verification of assimilation cycle; forecast verification (SYNOP, upper air and radar precipitation)

Observation statistics



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Comparison of active observations for TEMP/PILOT

COSMO-MEC VS. COSMO-ONLINE (ass. cycle)

Humidity statistics for TEMP experiments: COSMO_MEC_02012, COSMO_ONLINE_0201 startdate: 20160526000000 enddate: 20160531230000



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TEMP verification RH COSMO-ONLINE vs. COSMO-MEC

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Temperature statistics for AIREP experiments: COSMO_MEC_02012, COSMO_ONLINE_0201 startdate: 20160526000000 enddate: 20160531230000



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COSMO-MEC VS. COSMO-ONLINE (ass. cycle)

Wind statistics for PILOT experiments: COSMO_MEC_02012, COSMO_ONLINE_0201 startdate: 20160526000000 enddate: 20160531230000



PILOT verification WIND COSMO-ONLINE vs. COSMO-MEC

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- small differences between COSMO-MEC and COSMO-ONLINE; COSMO-ONLINE slightly better
- differences for PILOT are due to redundancy check; too few rejected in MEC-based setups
- ICON-MEC and COSMO-MEC are very similar w.r.t. number of used observations
- now look at ICON-MEC and COSMO-MEC/ONLINE comparison

COSMO-MEC VS. ICON-MEC (ass. cycle)

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TEMP verification RH ICON-MEC vs. COSMO-ONLINE

- assimilation cycle: ICON-LAM clearly outperforms COSMO-MEC, except for RH; ICON-LAM still better than COSMO-ONLINE (again except RH; neutral overall)
- Now: look at forecasts; 5 days forecasts (deterministic only, 24 h forecast time)
- SYNOP, upper air and radar verification

FORECAST VERIFICATION



SYNOP verification ICON-MEC vs. COSMO-ONLINE vs. COSMO-MEC

FORECAST VERIFICATION



SYNOP verification, summary plot, ICON-MEC vs. COSMO-ONLINE /COSMO-MEC (left/right)

FORECAST VERIFICATION



TEMP verification, summary plot, ICON-MEC vs. COSMO-ONLINE (left), ICON-MEC vs. COSMO-MEC (right)

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RADAR VERIFICATION



RADAR verification new experiments, 00/12 UTC 0.1 mm threshold

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Forecast summary

- ICON-LAM for SYNOP clearly outperforms COSMO
- upper air: ICON-LAM better for lower levels, worse for stratosphere; maybe due to not nudging against boundaries in ICON-LAM (no relaxation against driving model)?
- due to the LHN-bug, ICON-LAM is penalised in precipitation verification, at least in the first few hours

summary / next steps

- ICON-LAM already outperforms COSMO for most variables; precipitation scores should be improved with LHN
- repeat experiments with LHN; test IAU, hydrostatic balancing of analysis increments to reduce noise
- tuning: namelist (G. Zaengl found several namelist-switches to be changed, e.g. relaxation at lateral boundaries)
- work on ILAM-ONLINE: use (dace) observation operators in ICON-LAM during model run
- further experiments with ILAM-MEC: (new) summer period with balanced soil from ICON-EU; winter period, ...