



SAINT PT: status, plan and discussion

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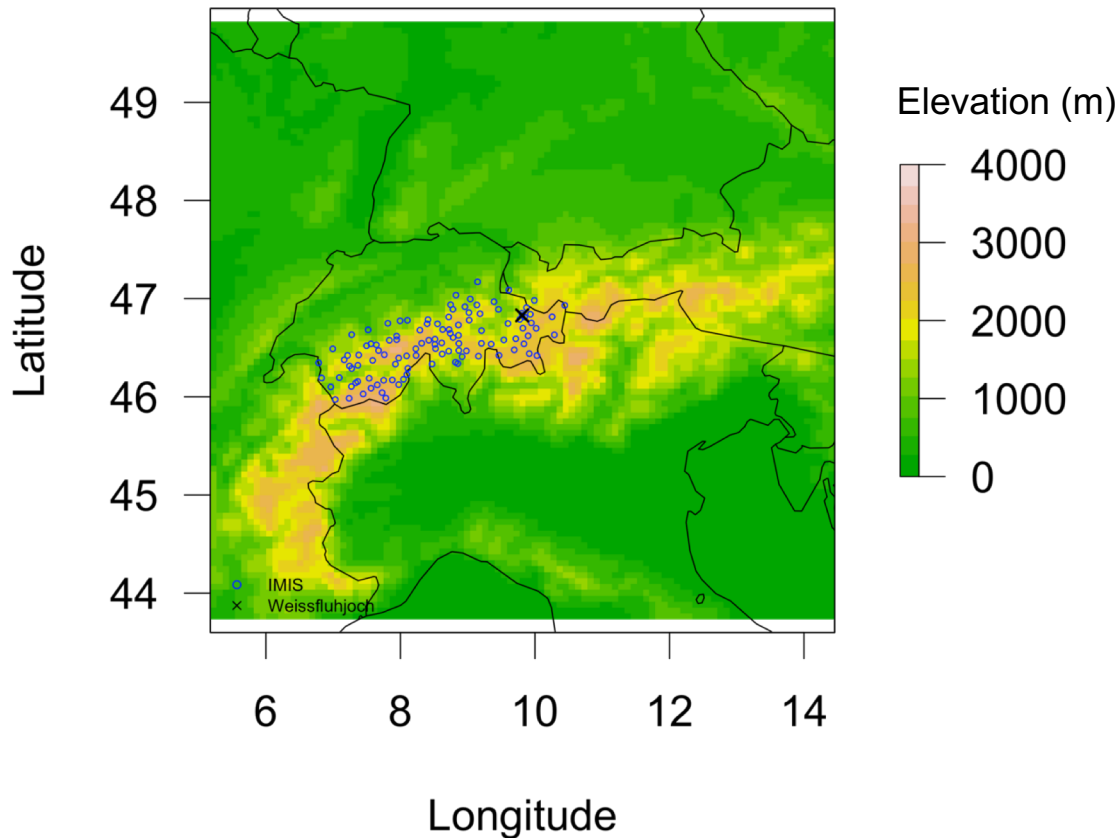
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Proposed COSMO Priority Task (PT) Project – SAINT

- **Phase I:** validation of current multi-layer scheme – update as needed
- **Phase II:** implementation – adjustment of currently implemented parametrizations ; radiation (albedo), turbulence , tile approach ...
- **Phase III:** validation of implementation especially diagnostic parameters (e.g. T_2m)
- **Phase IV:** documentation (paper, technical report etc.)
- **Duration: 2 years (50%), Start July 2017, End June 2019**

Phase II: Implementation/Validation – COSMO-7 Setup

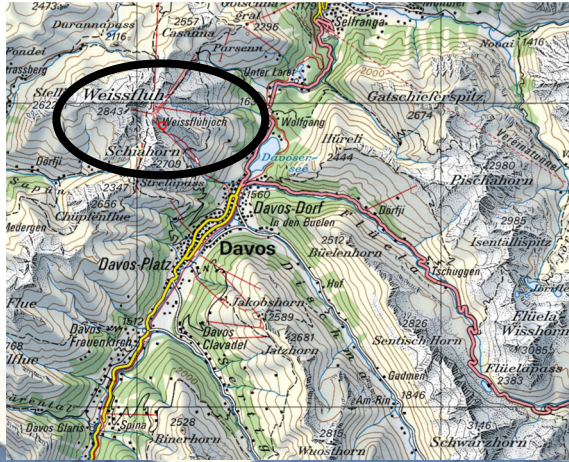


- ... ~ 700 km x 700 km domain centered around Davos ...
- ... covering most of the Alpine ridge ...
- ... computationally inexpensive ...
- .. boundary conditions from COSMO-7 analysis ...
- ... 72-hour forecast/hindcast
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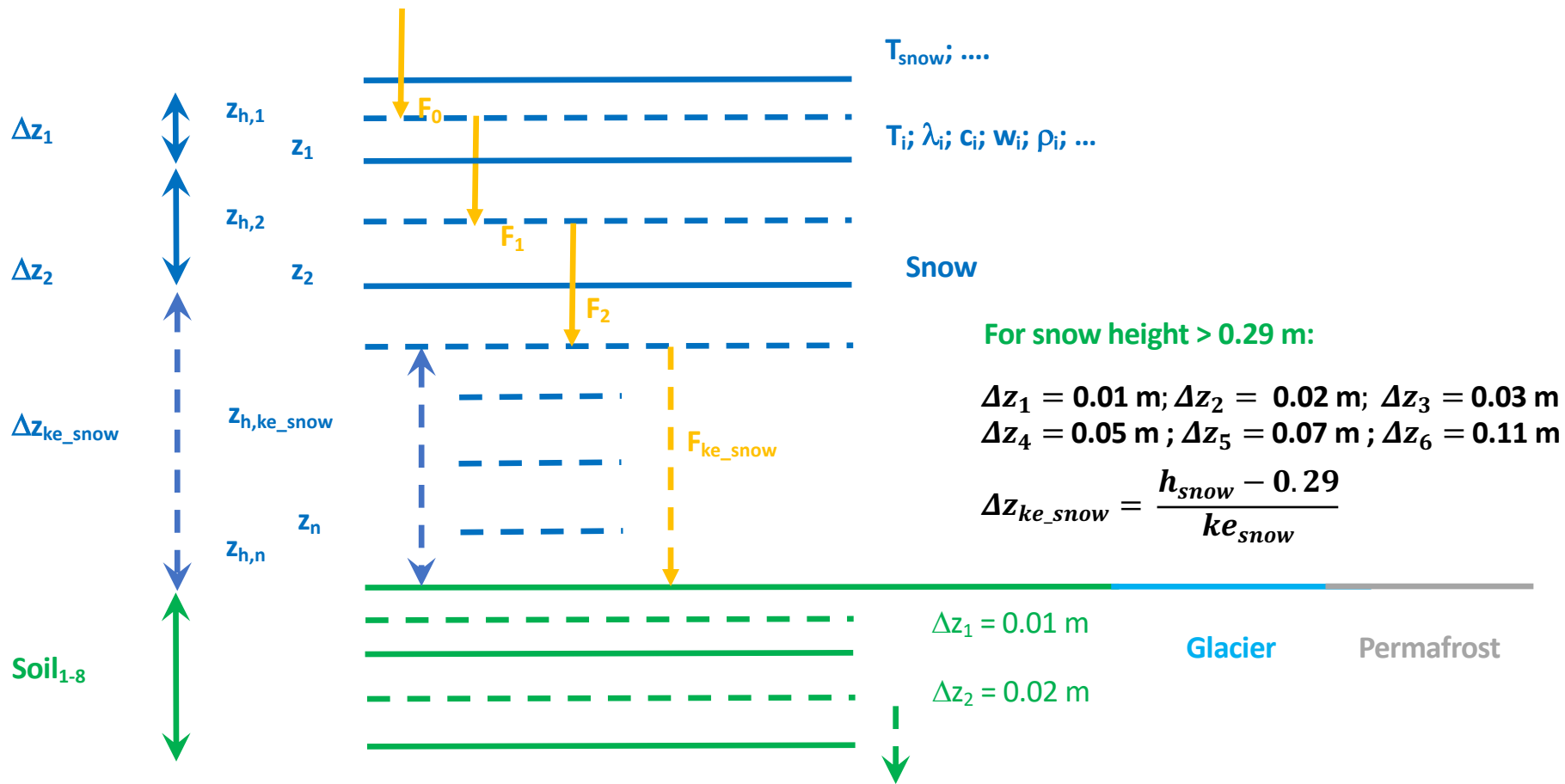
Intercantonal Measurement and Information System (IMIS)



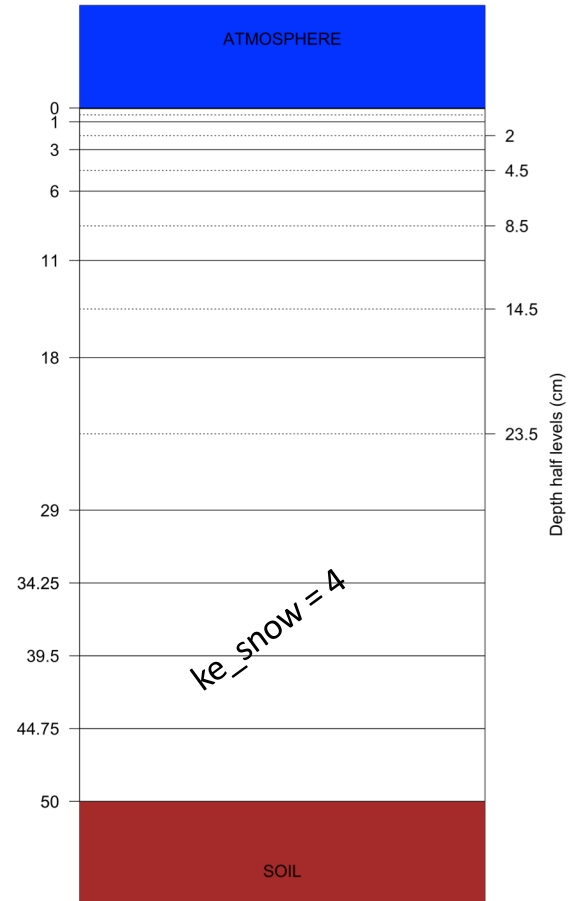
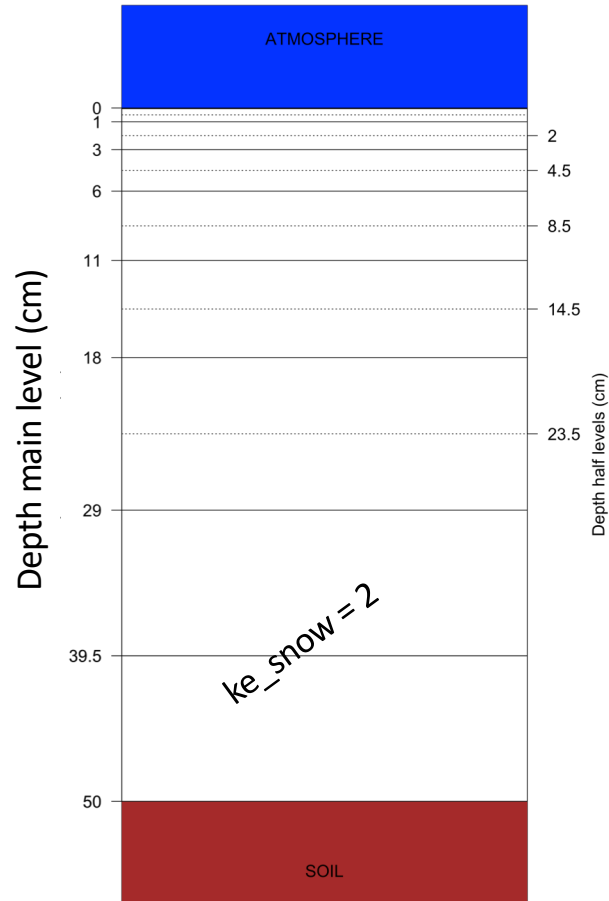
Experimental Site Weissfluhjoch, Davos, Switzerland



Phase II: Snow cover scheme (MLS) – Schematic



Phase II: Snow cover scheme schematic (MLS) – SAINT



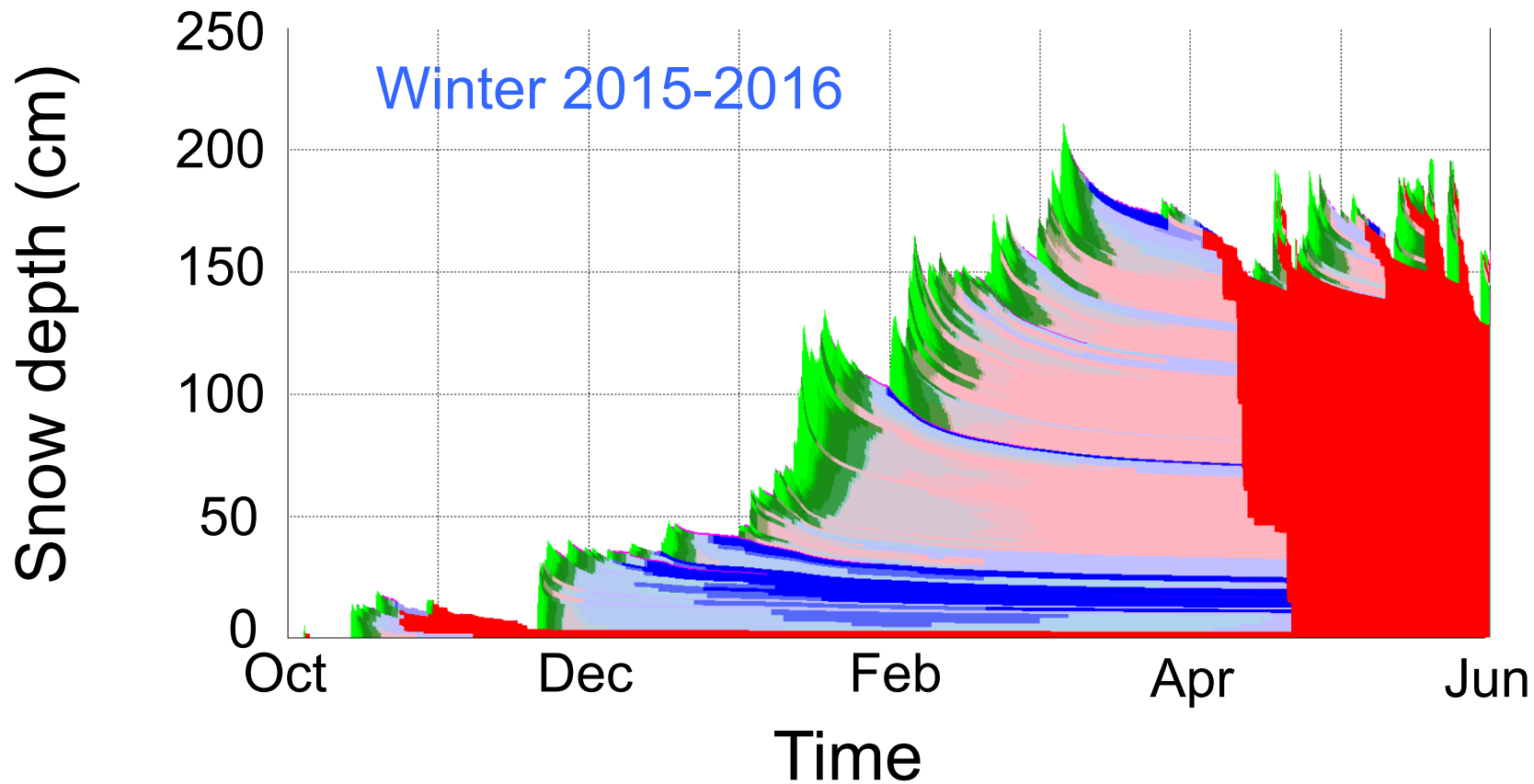
Phase II: Snow cover scheme (MLS) – Implementation

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39 !!=====
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41 MODULE sfc_terra
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149 !SB <
150 USE sfc_snow_
151 US 5429
152 !S 5430 ! Call subro
153 5431 CALL snow_or
154 !- 5432
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562 !-----
563 ! Setup tridiagonal matrix for set of linear equations for each layer ...
564 !-----
565
566 ! ... TOP LAYER
567 dz_low = zm_sn_so(2) - zm_sn_so(1)
568
569 a(1) = 0.0_wp
570 b(1) = 1 + (1 - cn) * alpha(1) * hcon_sn_so(1)/dz_low - alpha(1)*dlw_u_sn
571 c(1) = - (1 - cn) * alpha(1) * hcon_sn_so(1)/dz_low
572
573 d(1) = t_sn_so(1) + alpha(1) * (for_sn - dlw_u_sn*t_sn_so(1) + cn*hdif_sn_so(1))
574
575
576 ! ... INNER LAYERS
577 DO i = 2, n-1, 1
578
579 dz_up = zm_sn_so(i) - zm_sn_so(i-1)
580 dz_low = zm_sn_so(i+1) - zm_sn_so(i)
581
582 a(i) = - (1 - cn) * alpha(i)
583 b(i) = 1 + (1 - cn) * alpha(i)
584 c(i) = - (1 - cn) * alpha(i)
585
586 d(i) = t_sn_so(i) + cn*alpha(i)
587
588 ENDDO
589
590
591 ! ... BOTTOM LAYER
592
593 dz_up = zm_sn_so(n) - zm_sn_so(n-1)
594
595 a(n) = - (1 - cn) * alpha(n) * h
596 b(n) = 1 + (1 - cn) * alpha(n) * h
597 c(n) = 0.0_wp
598
599 d(n) = t_sn_so(n) - cn*alpha(n-1)
600
601
602 !-----
603 ! Solve the system - Thomas Algorithm
604 !-----
605

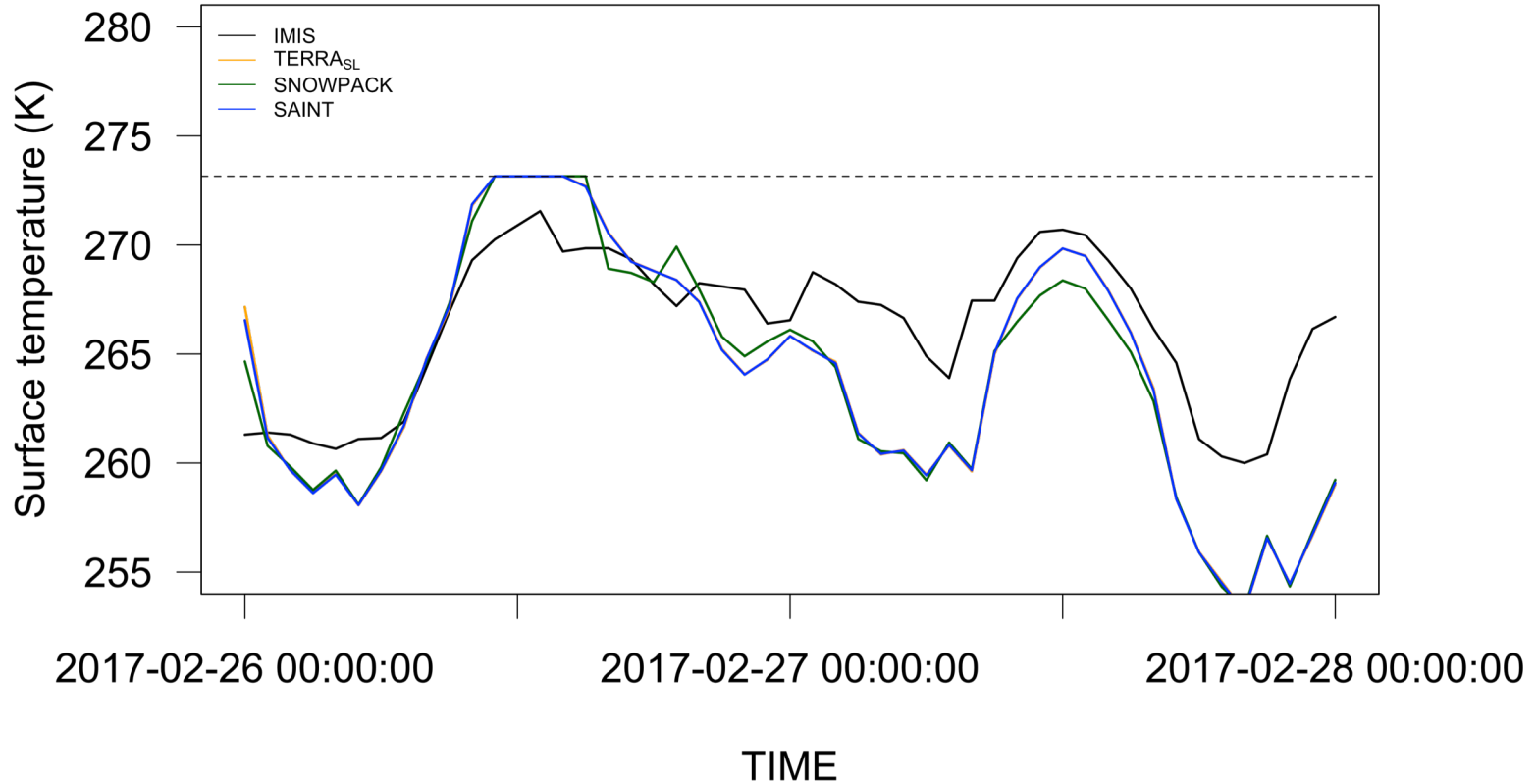
665 !=====
666 ! Section VIII: Updating
667 !=====
668
669
670 DO ksn = 1, n_snow+ke_snow
671
672 IF(ksn == 1) THEN
673
674 t_sn_now(ksn) = MAX( MIN(e(ksn),t0_melt), 240.0_wp)
675
676 ELSE
677
678 t_sn_now(ksn) = e(ksn)
679
680 ENDF
681
682 END DO
683
684
685 h_snow = h_snow
686
687 t_sn_sfc_now = MAX( MIN(e(1),t0_melt), 240.0_wp)
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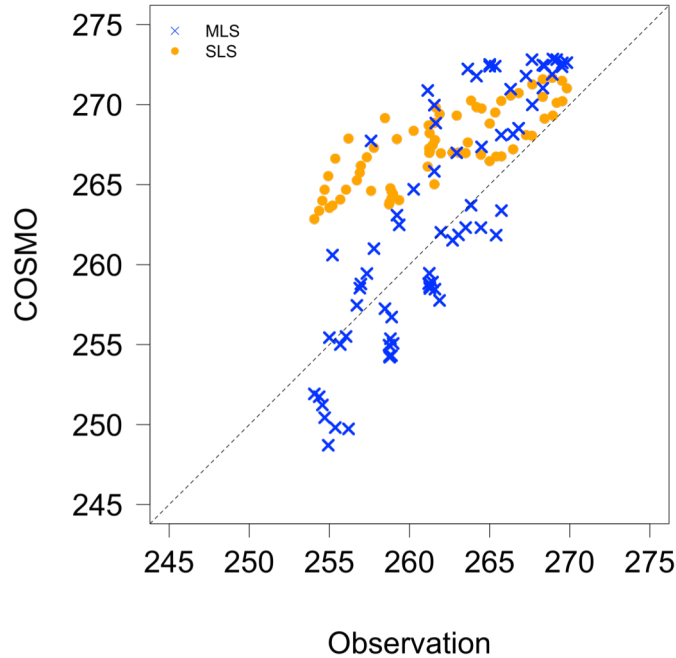
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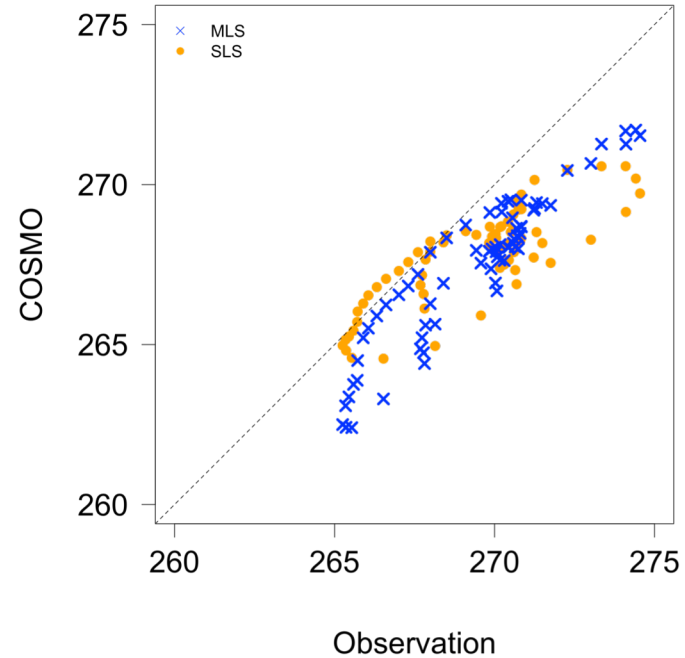
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All IMIS (N = 112)

T_SNOW



T (1st level)

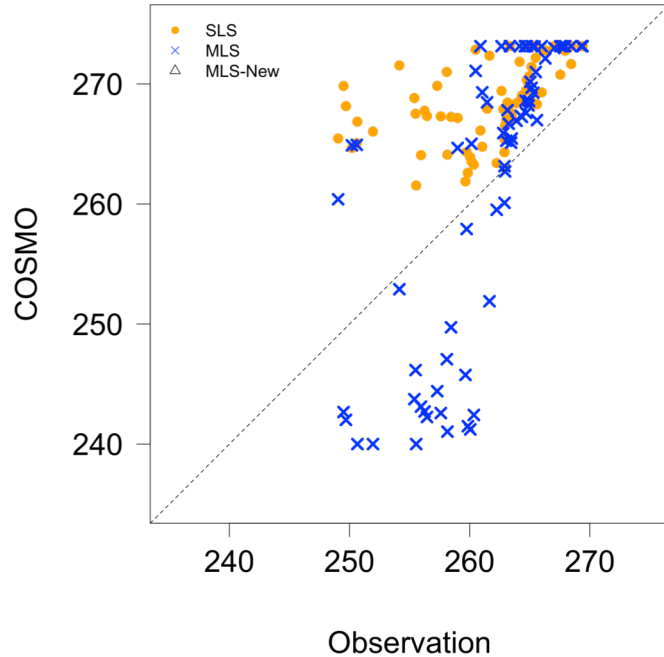


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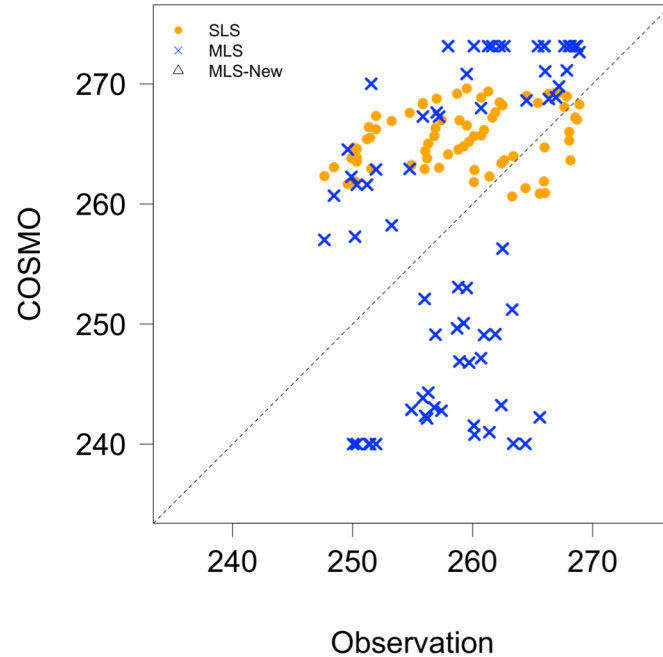
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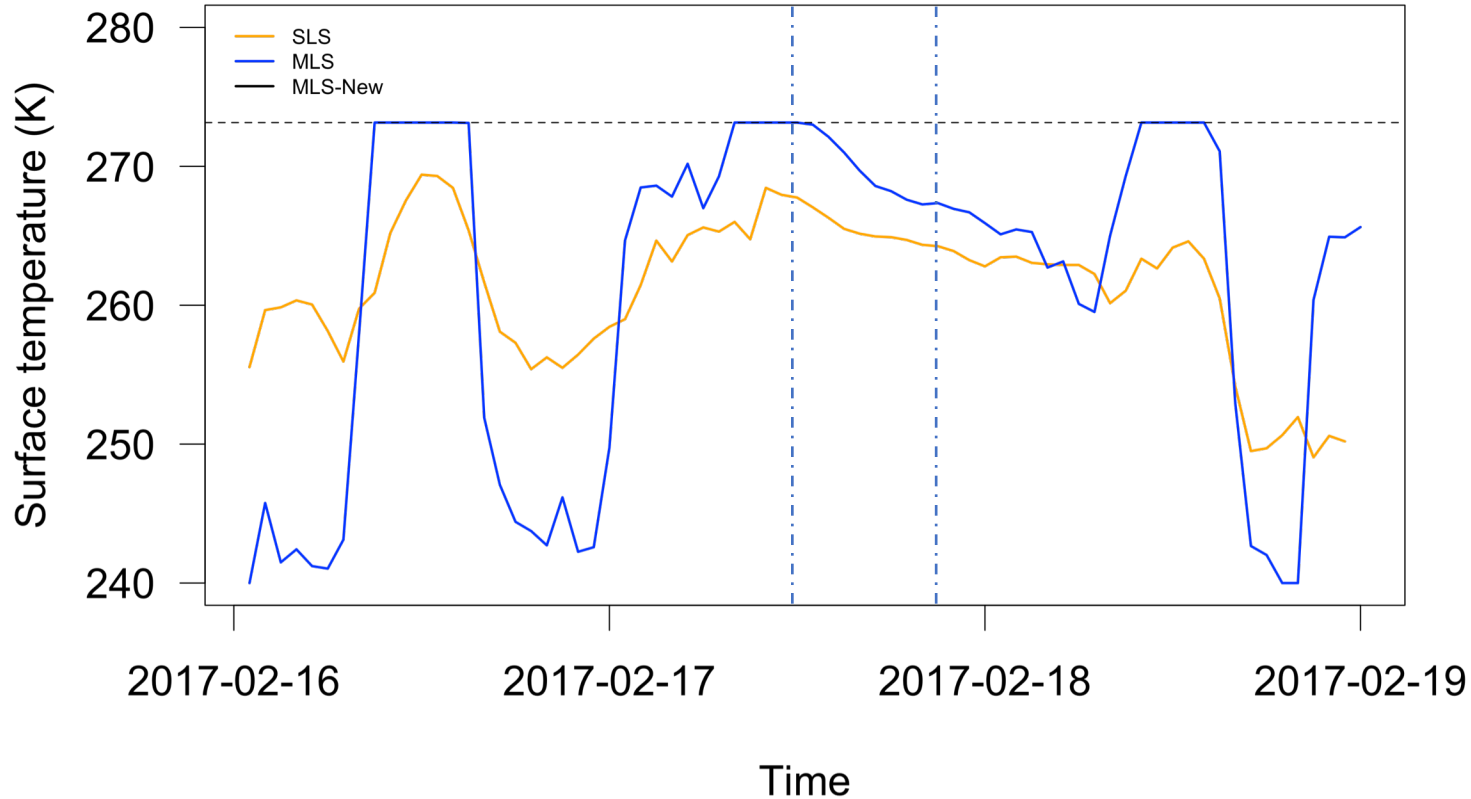
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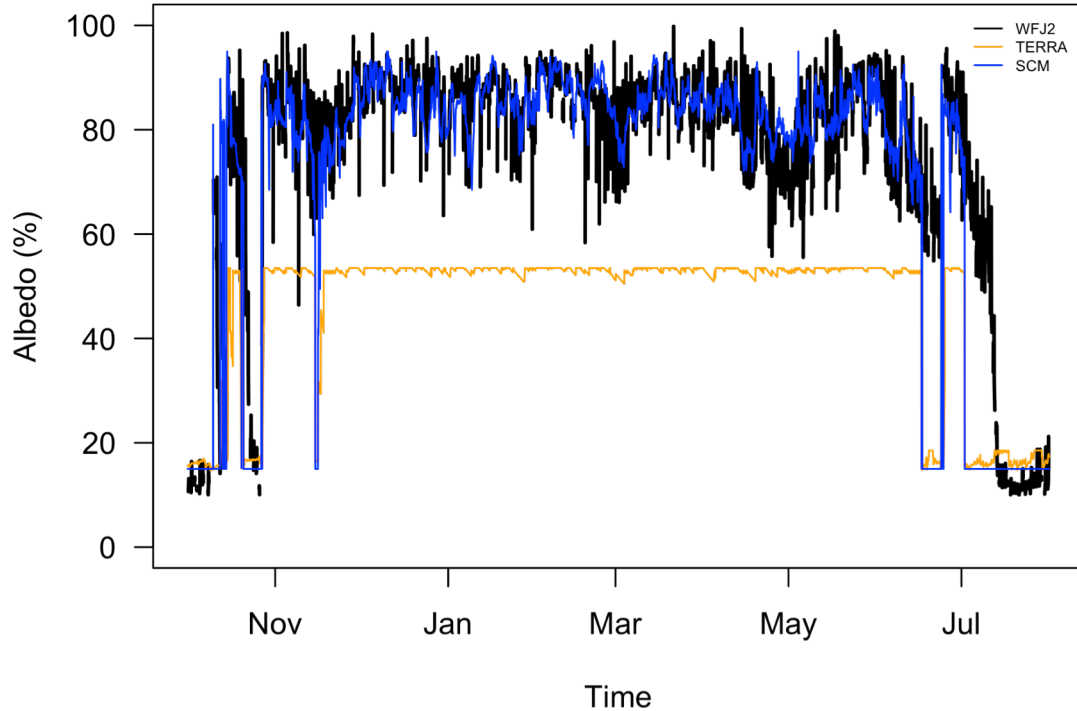
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Phase II: Snow cover scheme (MLS) – Albedo

$$\alpha_{SCM} = a + b \times P_{rate} + c \times T_{SFC} - d \times T_{10m}$$

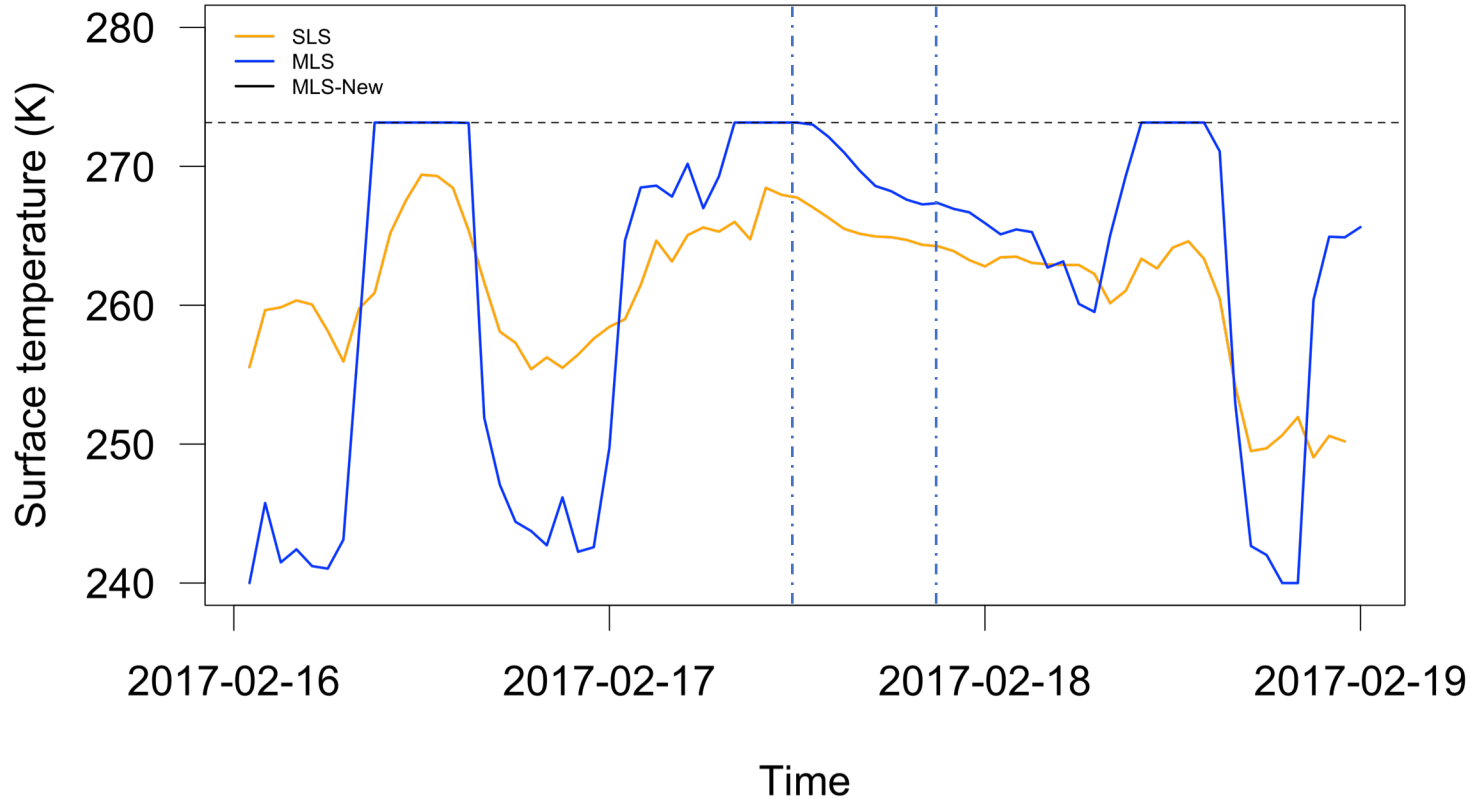


T_{10m} = Air Temperature 10 m

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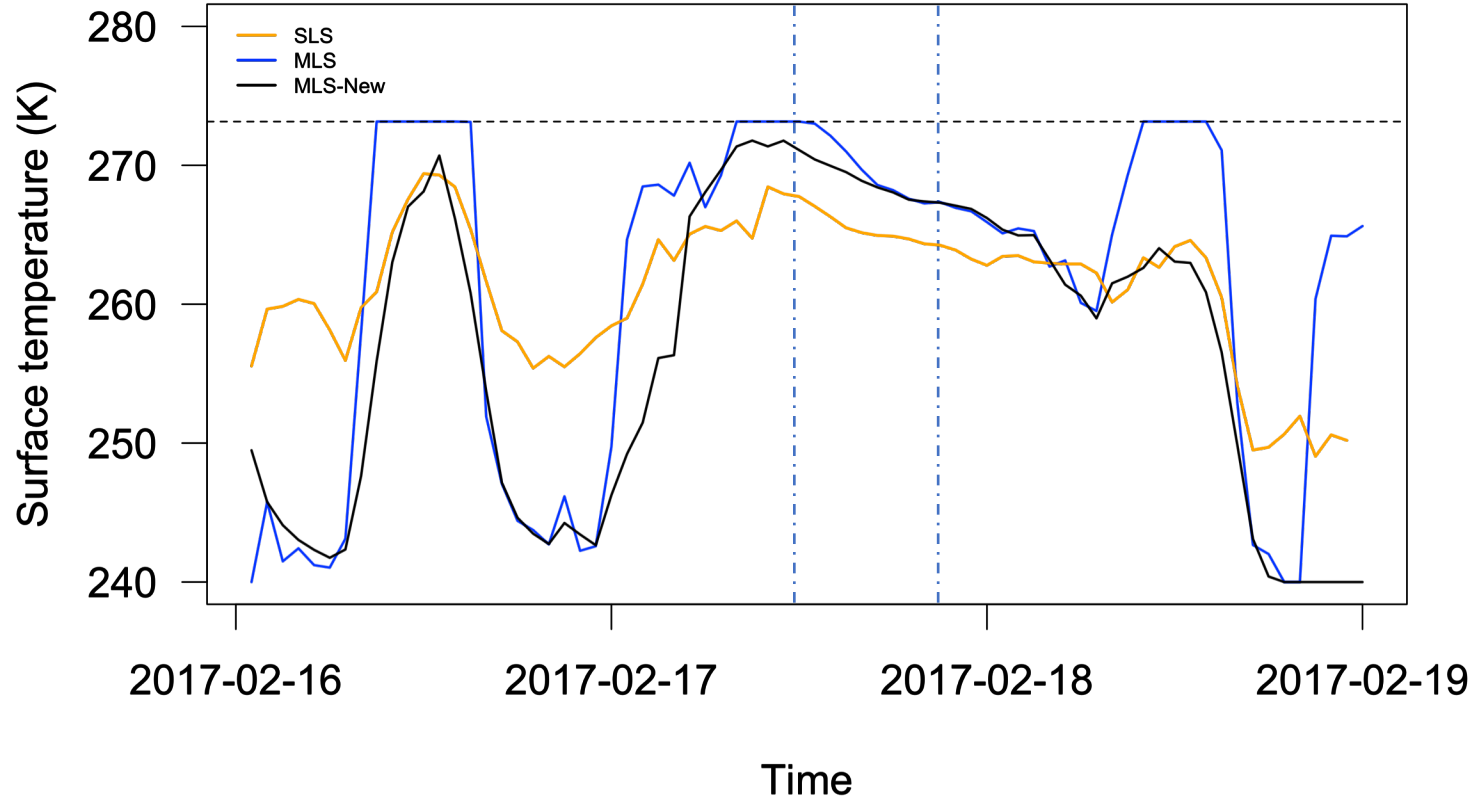
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Phase II: Snow cover scheme (MLS) – TCH


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How do Stability Corrections Perform in the Stable Boundary Layer Over Snow?

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Sensible heat flux:

$$H = \rho c_p C_H \bar{U} \Delta\theta,$$

Transfer Coefficient:

$$C_H = \frac{k^2}{\left[\ln\left(\frac{z_{\text{ref}}}{z_{0M}}\right) - \psi_m(\zeta) \right] \left[\ln\left(\frac{z_{\text{ref}}}{z_{0M}}\right) - \psi_s(\zeta) \right]},$$

Stability Corrections:

$$\psi_m(T, T_{sn}, \bar{U}) = a_1 B + b_1 S,$$

$$\psi_s(T, T_{sn}, \bar{U}) = a_2 B + b_2 S,$$

$$B = \Delta T / \bar{T}$$

$$S = z_{\text{ref}} g / \bar{U}^2$$

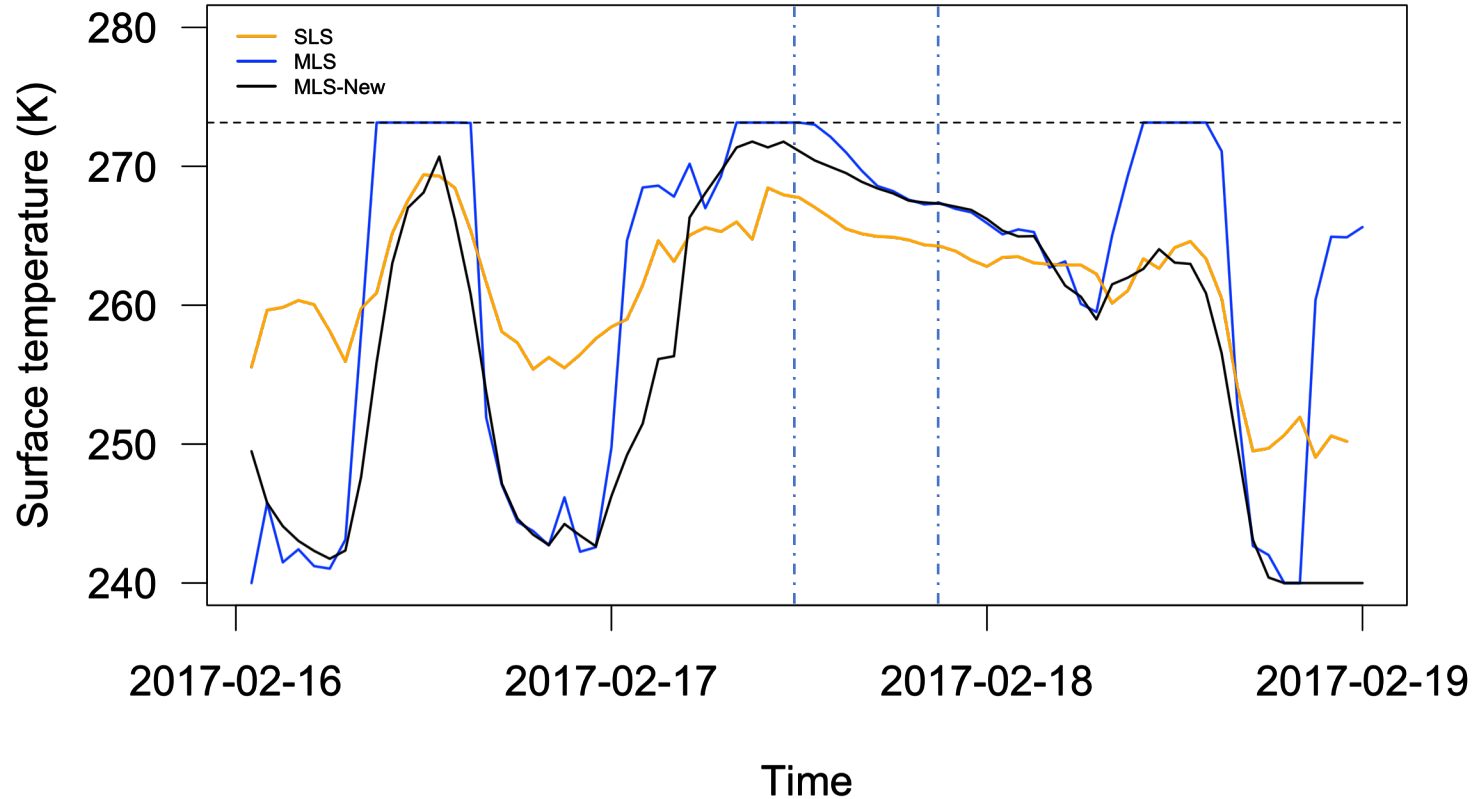
test site	a_1	b_1	test site	a_2	b_2
WFJ07 (3 m)	3.227	0.0043	WFJ07 (3 m)	-982.90	-0.0005
WFJ07 (5 m)	-4.441	0.0025	WFJ07 (5 m)	-642.51	0.0009
WFJ11	-30.74	0.0008	WFJ11	-1135.4	-0.0015
PM07 NWW	-191.93	0.0008	PM07 NWW	-751.73	-0.0005
PM07 SEE	-29.55	0.0090	PM07 SEE	-692.74	-0.0123
GR00 (1 m)	-145.41	-0.0914	GR00 (1 m)	-378.92	-2.0489
GR00 (2 m)	-179.56	-0.0369	GR00 (2 m)	-243.93	-0.7448
Universal	-65.35	0.0017	Universal	-813.21	-0.0014

where $k = 0.4$ is the von Kármán constant, $\zeta = (-k z_{\text{ref}} g T_*) / (\theta_s u_*^2)$ is the modelled stability parameter (stability parameter henceforth), $u_* = k \bar{U} (\ln(z_{\text{ref}}/z_{0M}) - \psi_m)^{-1}$ is the modelled friction velocity, $T_* = k (\theta_s - \theta_{z_{\text{ref}}}) (\ln(z_{\text{ref}}/z_{0M}) - \psi_s)^{-1}$ is the modelled temperature scale, z_{0M} is the aerodynamic roughness length and ψ_m and ψ_s are the stability corrections for momentum and scalars. In our analysis, we used the simple approach that the roughness

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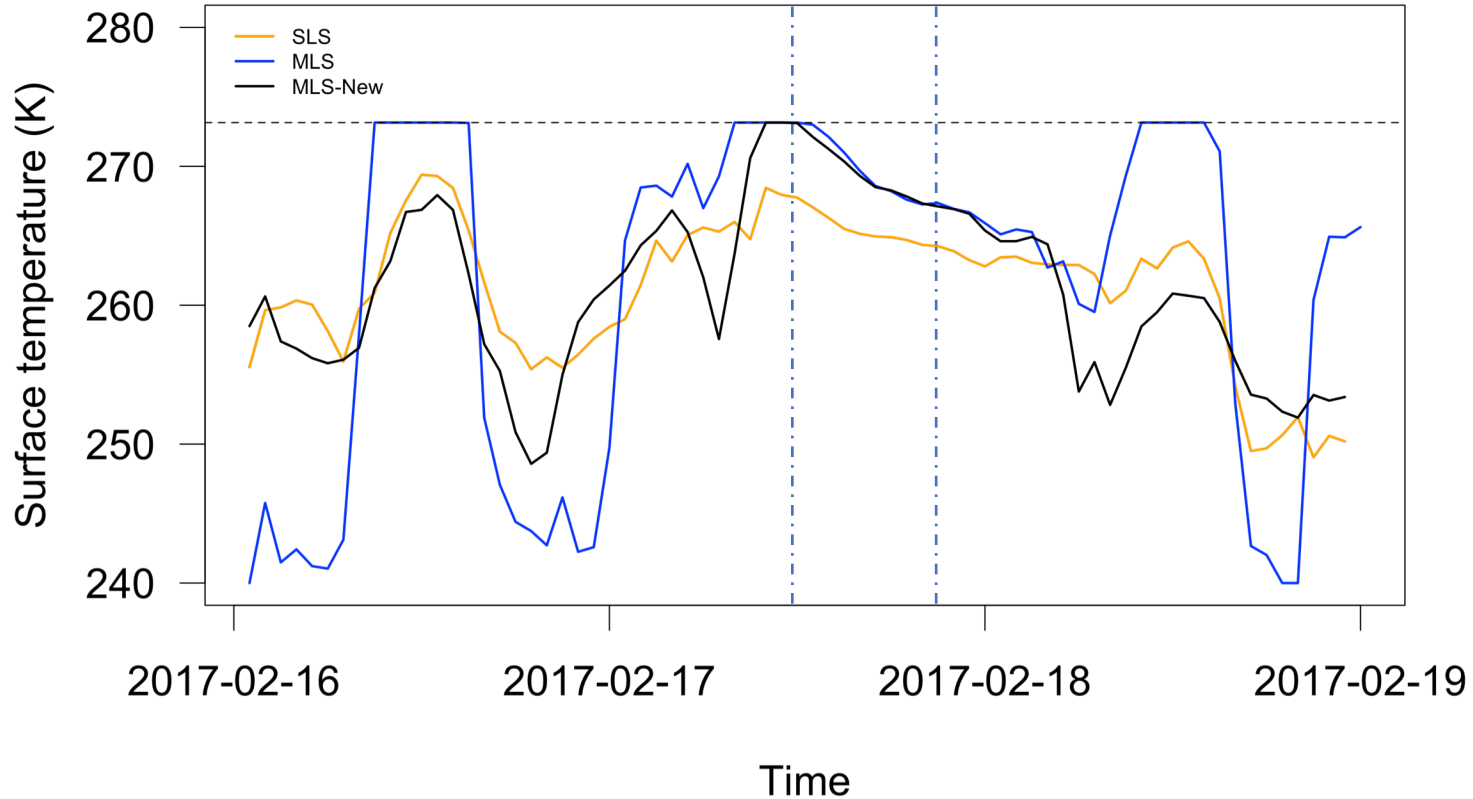
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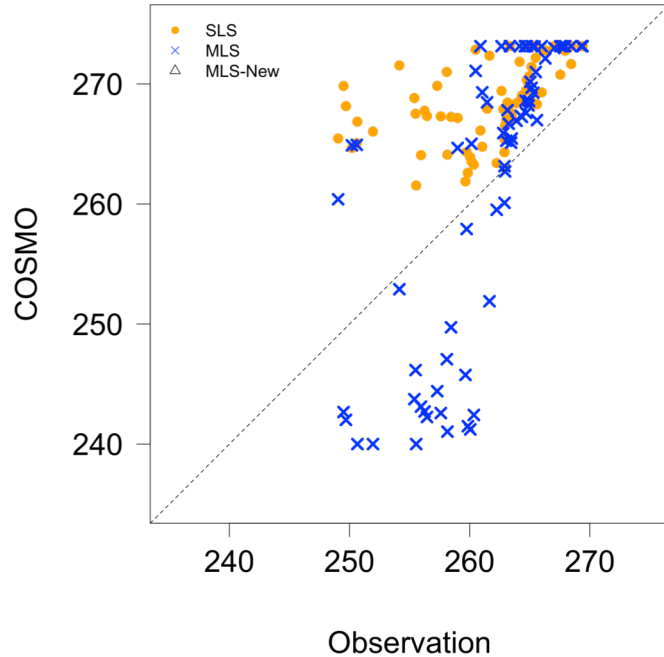
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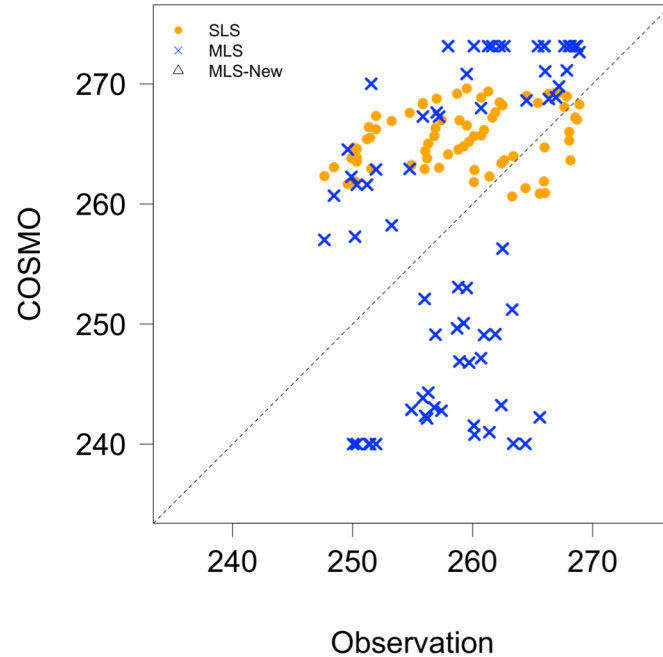


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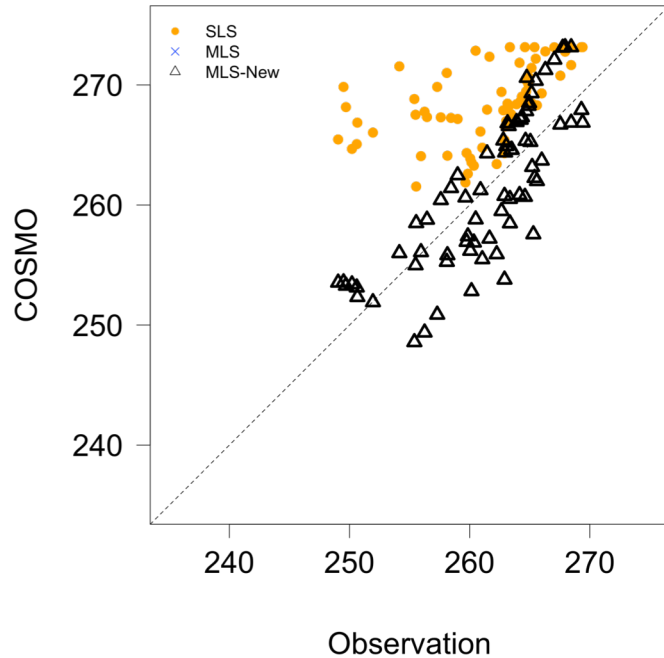


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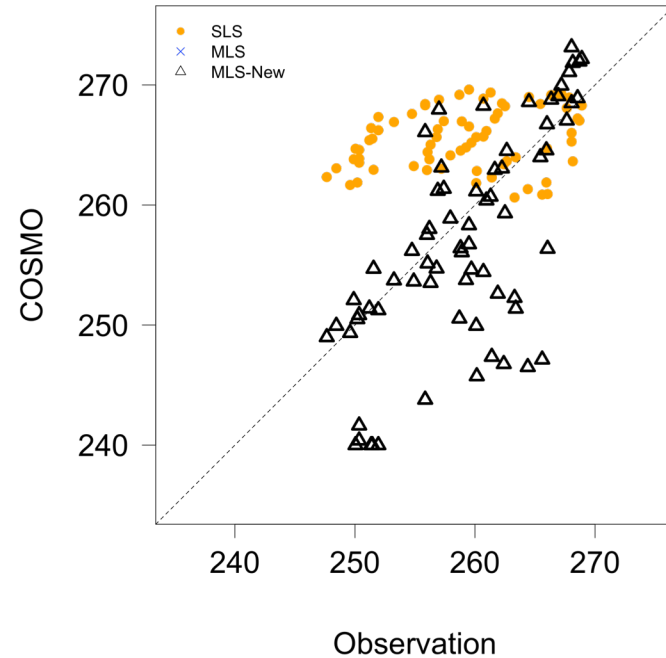
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△ = Multi-layer snow cover scheme (MLS) with new flux parameterizations

Phase II: Snow cover scheme (MLS) - Status

- **Code development based on COSMO version 5.04h including latest developments by Matthias R.**
- **Call of a subroutine (*snow_on_soil*) in TERRA, which ...**
 - ... **uses a fixed number of snow layers ($n_{\text{snow}} = 6$) and an additional number of layers set by namelist (default $ke_{\text{snow}} = 2$)**
 - ... **solves the heat equation for the whole column (snow + soil = 16 layers)**
 - ... **calculates a snow specific atmospheric forcing (new albedo parameterization & transfer coefficients required).**
 - ... water transport (bucket) through snow column only (INTENT(OUT) > soil, runoff, storage(?))
 - ... settling, absorption solar energy, dust on snow ...
- Call of subroutine (*snow_on_xxx*) ... (*snow_in_xxx*) ...

Phase II: Snow cover scheme (MLS) – Q & A

- We need access to the turbulence scheme!!! **Should we switch to ICON (ASAP)???**
- How to tackle the problem of different forcing for snow covered fractions?
 - Tile approach?
 - Updating T_SNOW only?
 - Other option?
- Are we missing something?
- What other problems might be solved using MLS, but need investigation?
 - Snow data assimilation with SMRT?
 - Compatibility with snow analysis?
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Thanks!

Questions and/or comments?

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