

WG7 activities and APSU PP

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Outline

- WG7 activities:
 - APSU PP
 - COSMO-LEPS
 - CIAO PT
- Maintain the link with WGI on KENDA/ICs for ensembles
 - Joint meetings at GM/ICCARUS
- Maintain the link with WG5 and WG4 on verification and post-processing of ensembles
 - Joint meeting on high impact weather verification on Tue afternoon

Outline

- APSU PP runs from Mar 2018 to Aug 2020
- Participation of: ARPA SIMC, COMET, DWD, IMGW, MeteoSwiss, RHM
- Aim: improving the spread/skill relation of the Convection Permitting ensembles
- Six Tasks:
 - Task 1: New model perturbation methods
 - Task 2: Revision of the Parameter Perturbation method
 - Task 3: Lower boundary perturbation
 - Task 4: Post-processing and interpretation of ensembles
 - Task 5: Initial and lateral boundary Conditions for the CP ensembles
 - Transition to ICON-LAM

Highlights from some Tasks

- Task 1: New model perturbation methods
 - Stochastic modeling of the model error (scheme of EM)
 - Stochastic Pattern Generator -> AMPT: Additive Model-error perturbations scaled by Physical Tendencies
 - Perturbations based on adapted Random Number Generator (RNG)
 - iSPPT (independent SPPT)
 - Model perturbation based on analysis increments
- Task 4: Post-processing and interpretation of ensembles
 - Calibration
 - Products from ensemble output
- Task 6: Transition to ICON-LAM -> better definition of the plans of the COSMO members for the transition of the ensembles (mainly, test of physics perturbations with the new model)

EM-scheme *model for the model error (E. Machulskaya)*

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \left[\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \right]_{\text{det}} + \eta(t) \qquad \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} = -\gamma \eta + \gamma \nabla (\lambda^2 \nabla \eta) + \sigma \xi(t)$$

ψ : prognostic variables (T, QV, U, V)

$\eta(t)$: noise field / model error, correlated in time and space

$\xi(t)$: Gaussian noise

σ, γ, λ : standard deviation and spatial and temporal correlation

γ, λ and σ are weather-dependent and are derived from past data

Potential predictors are $\left| \frac{d\tau}{dt} \right|, |U|, \text{cl.cover}, \left| \frac{dq}{dt} \right|$

Task 1

AMPT: Additive Model-error perturbations scaled by Physical Tendencies

Our empirical study of model error structures (by using a more sophisticated and hi-res version of COSMO as the truth) suggests that both an **additive** and a **multiplicative** error components should be present.

AMPT is the **additive** model-error-model component. It relies on the Stochastic Pattern Generator (SPG, Tsyrlnikov and Gayfulin 2017) as the spatio-temporal stochastic source.

The final model-error-model is a linear combination of AMPT and SPPT.

Task 1

AMPT: Additive Model-error perturbations scaled by Physical Tendencies

The **AMPT** model error perturbations:

- 1 are mutually uncorrelated spatio-temporal (SPG-generated) random fields.
- 2 are scaled as the *area averaged* (in the horizontal) $|\mathcal{P}|$.

Task 1

iSPPT: independent SPPT

- SPPT does not distinguish between different parameterization schemes
- but they do not necessarily have the same error characteristics
- Christensen et al. (2017) suggest independent random pattern for each parametrization scheme
- improves ENS forecasts (but mainly in the Tropics)

Christensen, H. M., Lock, S.-J., Moroz, I. M., and Palmer, T. N., 2017, Introducing Independent Patterns into the Stochastically Perturbed Parametrisation Tendencies (SPPT) scheme. Q. J. Roy Meteor Soc., 143(706), 2168–2181. DOI: 10.1002/qj.3075

Task 1

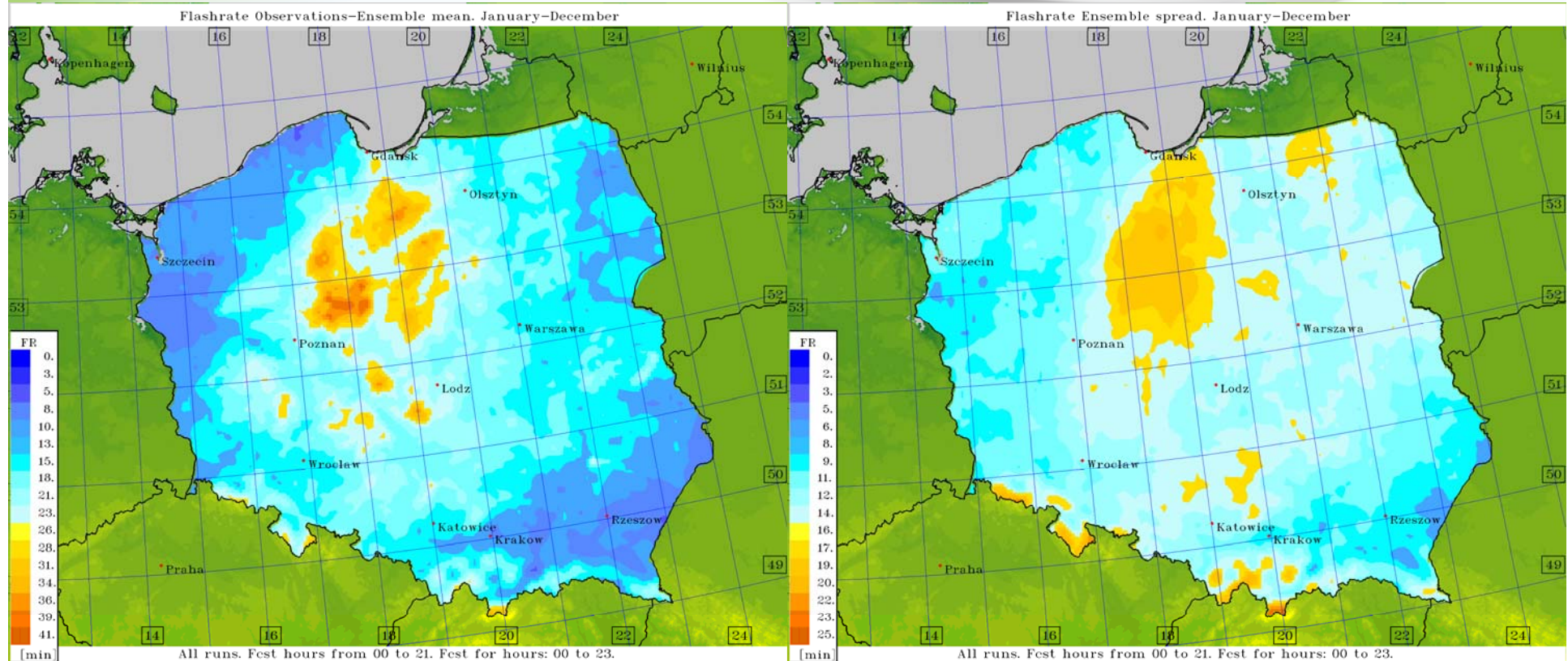
Model perturbations based on analysis increments (Piccolo et al. 2018)

- motivation: analysis increments (i.e. difference between analysis and first guess) can take into account more possible sources of model errors than SPPT
- random forcing terms are derived by sampling a dataset of historic analysis increments (same resolution and time of year)
- assumes that model error statistics are stationary (i.e., no dependence on current model state)
- applied for global ensemble forecasts so far
- promising approach for our ensembles...?

Piccolo, C., and M. Cullen, W. Tennant, A. Semple, 2018: Comparison of different representations of model error in ensemble forecasts. Quart. J. Roy. Meteor. Soc., accepted. doi: 10.1002/qj.3348

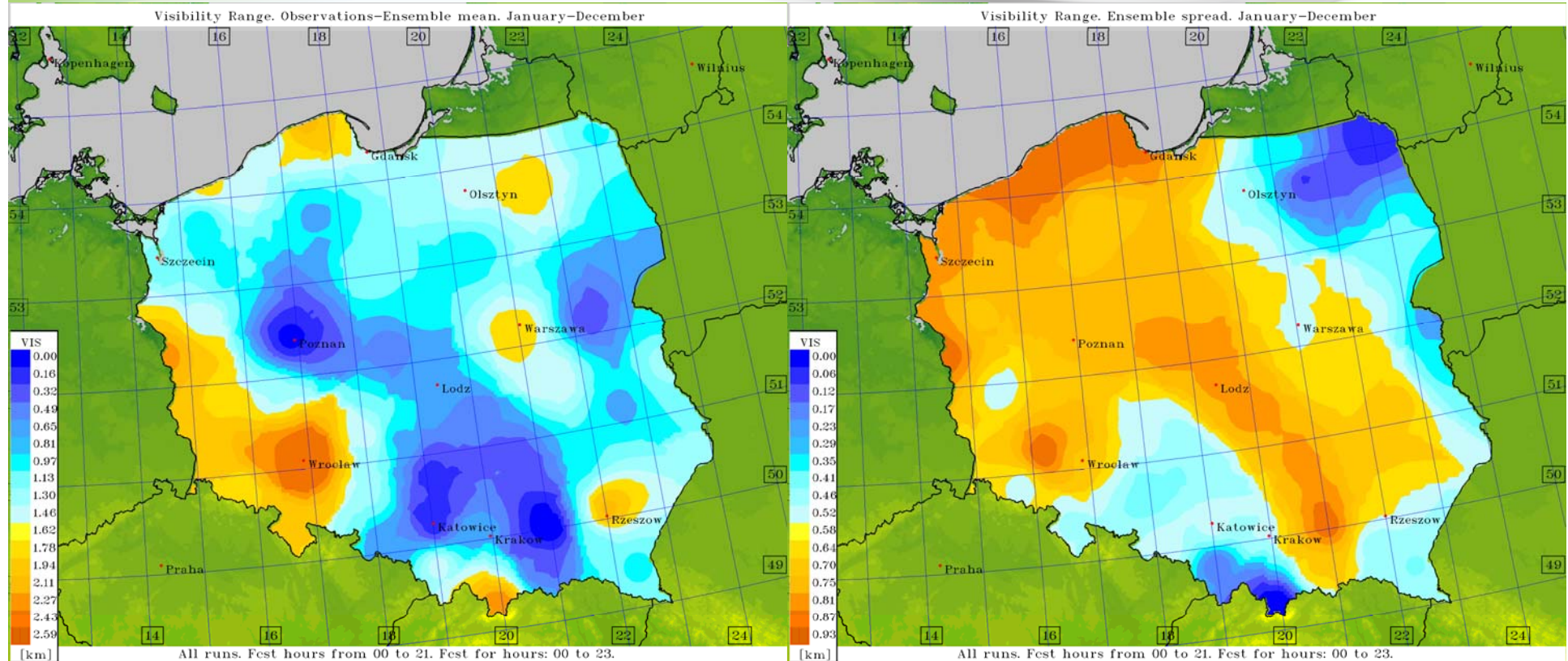


Ensemble post-processing - flashrate



Mean skill (left) and spread (right) of flashrate, c_soil (operational) perturbation, 2013

Ensemble post-processing - visibility

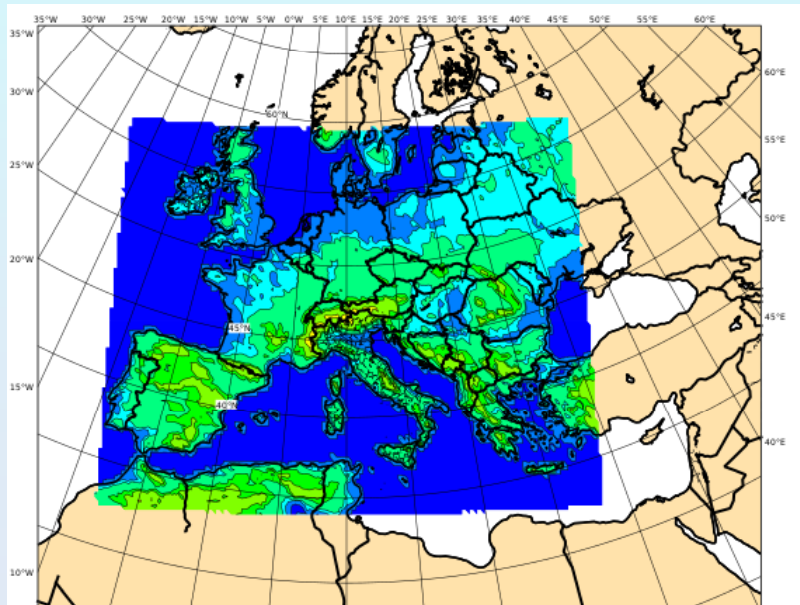


Mean skill (left) and spread (right) of VIS, c_soil (operational) perturbation, 2013

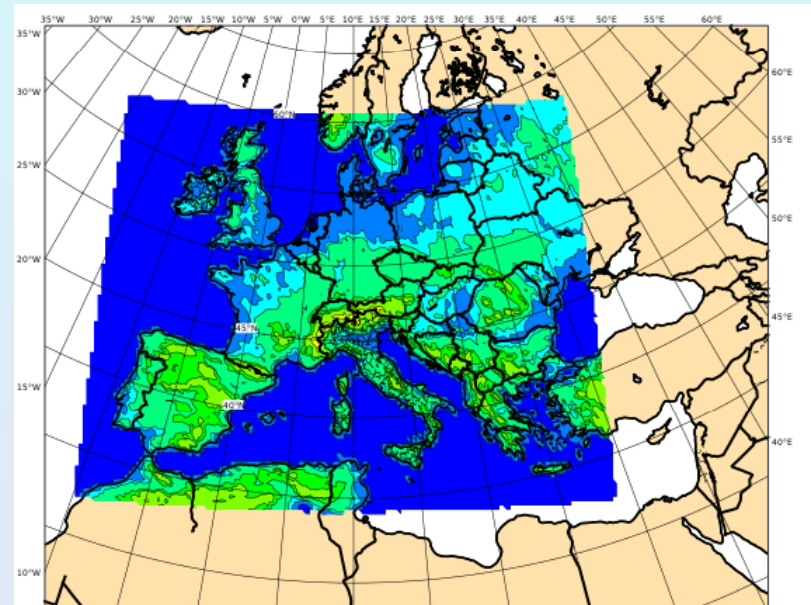
COSMO-LEPS 5-km upgrade

- In agreement with the Consortium strategies, we are assessing the sensitivity of COSMO-LEPS forecast skill to the use of different parameterisations of moist convection and to enhanced horizontal resolution.
- From 24/11 to 31/12/2017 and from 1/5 to 31/5/2018, in addition to **oper7** (COSMO-LEPS @ 7 km), we also ran a test configuration (only at 00UTC), denoted with **test5**.

oper7



test5



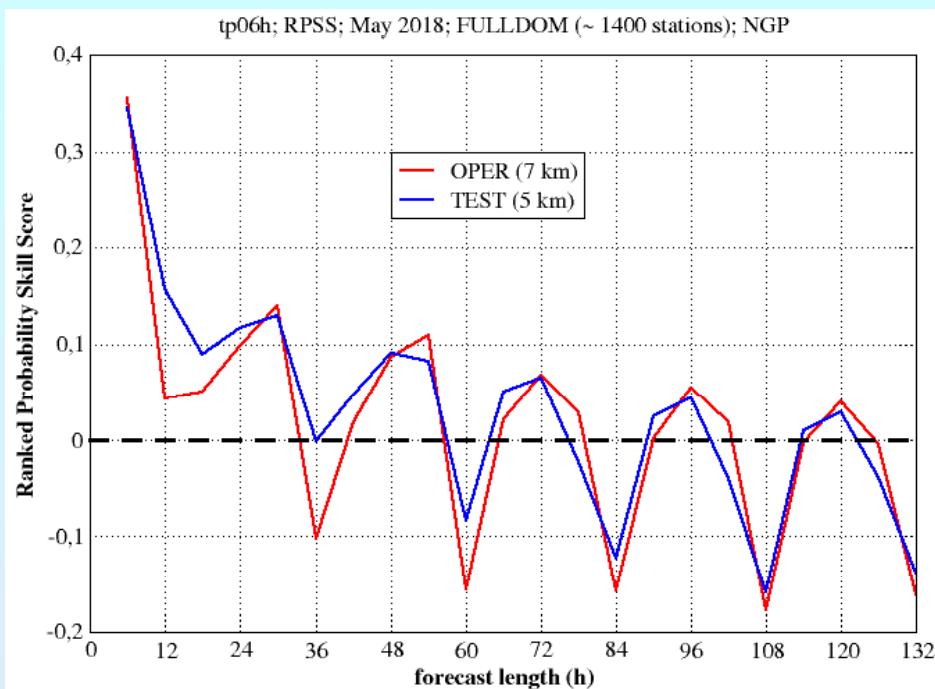
5-km upgrade

	oper7	test5
model version	5.03	5.05
convection scheme	Tiedtke	members 1-10 IFS-Bechtold members 11-20 Tiedtke
Perturbations to physical parameterisation	“random”	none
horizontal resolution	7 km	5 km
grid points	511 x 415 x 40 = 8.482.600	739 x 599 x 40 = 17.706.440
time step (s)	66	45
Billing Units for one single run (forecast length: 132h)	1750	5378
elapsed time (s)	542 (720 tasks)	1235 (972 tasks)

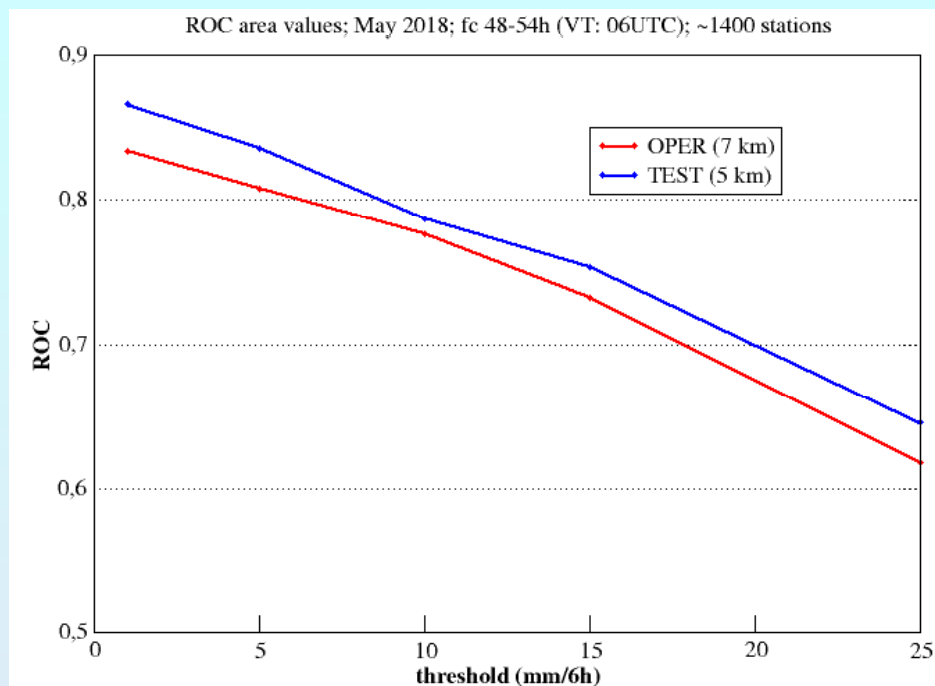
May 2018 experimentation: **oper7** vs **test5**

- Variable: 6h cumulated precipitation (thresholds: 1, 5, 10, 15, 25, 50 mm).
- Scores: Ranked Probability Skill Score (RPSS), ROC area at fixed forecast range.

RPSS: tp06h



ROC: tp06h

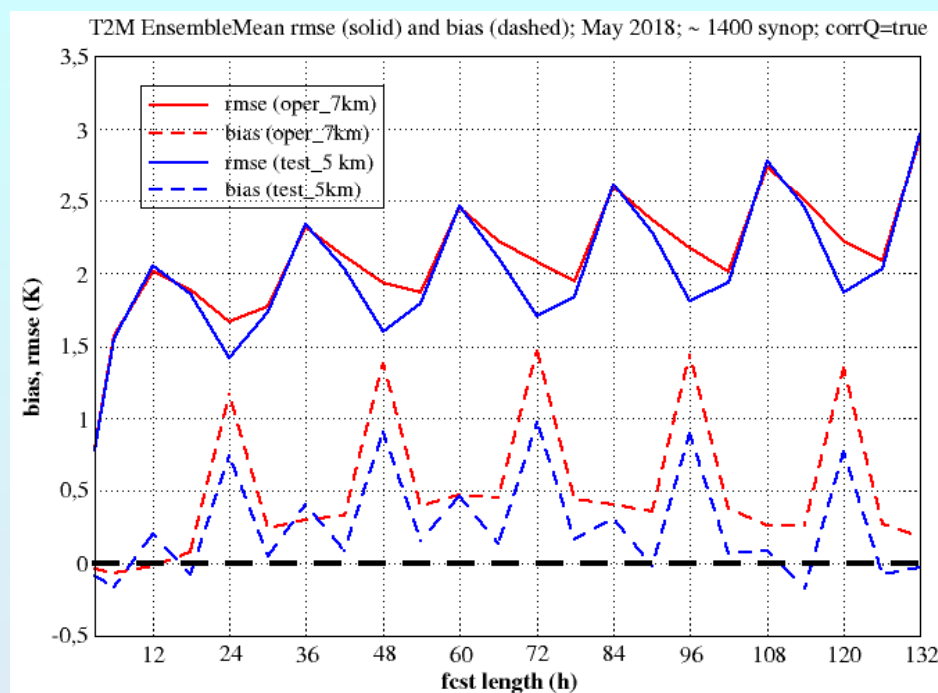


- RPSS: clear daily cycle in the performance of the model; higher skill of **test5** in the short range for day-time precipitation; mixed results later on.
- ROC area: slight positive impact of enhanced resolution for all thresholds.

May 2018 experimentation: **oper7** vs **test5**

- Variables: 2-metre temperature
- Scores: bias, and rmse of the ensemble mean (model forecast correct with station height difference)

t2m

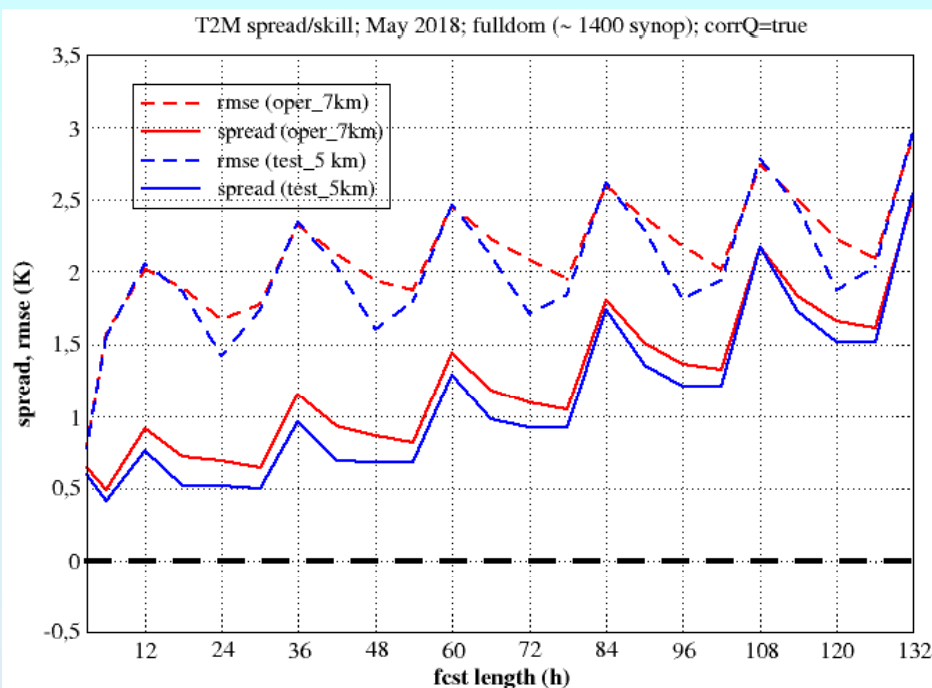


- Temperature: still positive bias at all forecast ranges (the model is too warm), but bias reduction, especially at night-time, in **test5**. Correspondingly, reduction of rmse.

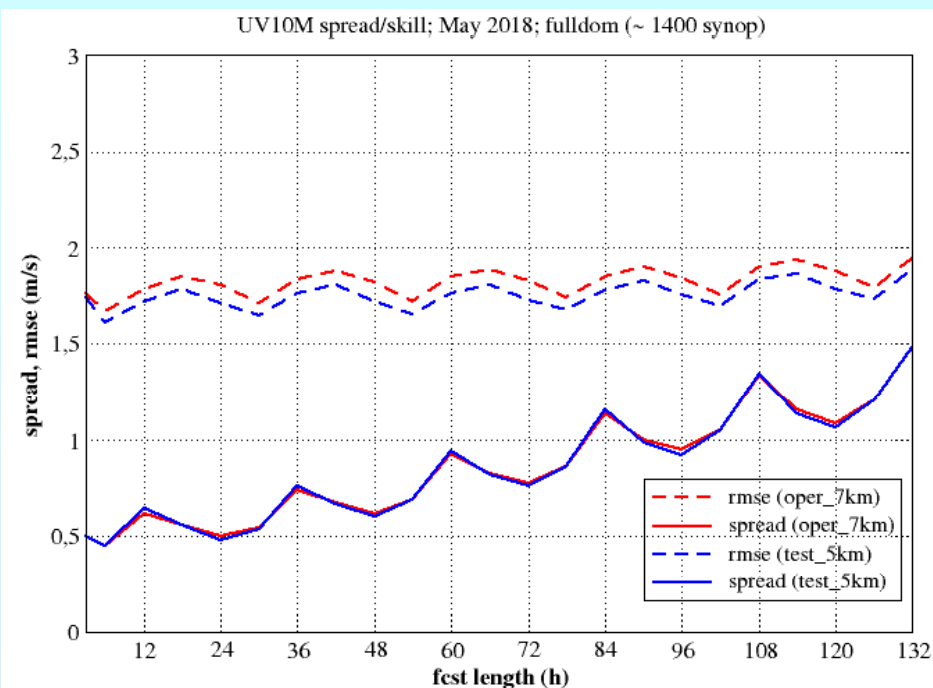
May 2018 experimentation: **oper7** vs **test5**

- Variables: 2-metre temperature **and** 10-metre wind speed
- Scores: rmse of the ensemble mean, spread.

t2m



wspeed10m



- T2M: some reduction of rmse at night-time for **test5**; larger spread for **oper7** (effect of perturbed parameters, missing in test5?)
- WSPEED10M: no impact on spread by enhanced resolution; slight systematic reduction of rmse of the ensemble mean.

Conclusions

- COSMO-LEPS: well established product
- Improved forecast skill of COSMO-LEPS throughout the years.
- Promising results by the increase of horizontal resolution (7 → 5 km).
- Probabilistic products are (at last!) considered and can support Civil Protection decisions.
- Keep on working with regional Civil Protection Agencies “to think ensemble” with them and develop customised products.

Next steps / open issues / frozen issue

- Upgrade model version to v5.05.
- Further tests with multi-physics approach and 5km resolution.
- What about model perturbations?
- Use also ENS06 and ENS18 for the provision of ICs and BCs.
- SPPT still not working in single precision.