

# CALMO over the Wider Eastern Mediterranean Area using COSMO model. Methodology and Outcome

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## Presentation outline

- Domain choice
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□ Domain choice: Wider Eastern Mediterranean Area



## □ Model version and set up

- cosmo\_190418\_5.06\_1

- int2lm\_190524\_2.06

- Horizontal grid size:  $0.03^\circ$  (~3 km)

- 890x487 grid points

- 53 vertical levels (Tropopause at 33 km)

- Integration time-step: 15 secs.

- Time interval of radiation scheme call : 15 mins

- Integration period: 42 hs.

- Boundary conditions : 6hr IFS Analysis.

## Parameter list

PARAMETER	INTERPRETATION	RANGE	TEST VALUES (default)
rat_sea	ratio of laminar scaling factors for heat over sea	1-100	1, 10, 50
rlam_heat	scaling factor of the laminar boundary layer for heat	0.1 – 10.0	0.1, 1.0, 2.0
tkhmin	minimal value of diffusion coefficient for heat and momentum (kept equal)	0.0-2.0	0.1, 0.40, 2.0
tkmmin			
tur_len	asymptotic maximal turbulent length scale (m)	10 – 10000	100, 150, 1000
c_soil	surface area index of evaporative soil surfaces ( dependent on surface area density of the roughness elements over land , c_lnd)	0-c_lnd(2.0)	0, 1, 2

Also in the namelist group /TUNING/ there are some variables that are chosen differently in the ICON setup. At least compared to the settings that were used at DWD for COSMO-DE or for the former COSMO-EU. Of course the choice of these variables depend on special configurations and domains. The following table lists the variables that are now chosen at DWD for COSMO-D2 ("OLD") and for ICON ("NEW").

/TUNING/	OLD	NEW	Explanation	Default
tkhmin	0.4	0.75	Minimal diffusion coefficients [in m <sup>2</sup> /s] for vertical scalar (heat) transport.	1
tkmmin	0.4	0.75	Minimal diffusion coefficients [in m <sup>2</sup> /s] for vertical momentum transport.	1
rat_sea	20.0	7.0	Ratio of laminar scaling factors for heat over sea and land.	10.0
pat_len	500.0	750.0	Effective length scale of subscale surface patterns over land [in m].	100.0
tur_len	150.0	500.0	Asymptotic maximal turbulent distance [in m].	500.0
a_hshr	1.0	2.0	Length scale factor for separate horizontal shear production.	1.0
c_soil	1.0	1.75	Surface area density of the (evaporative) soil surface.	1.0

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## Optimization and Evaluation strategy

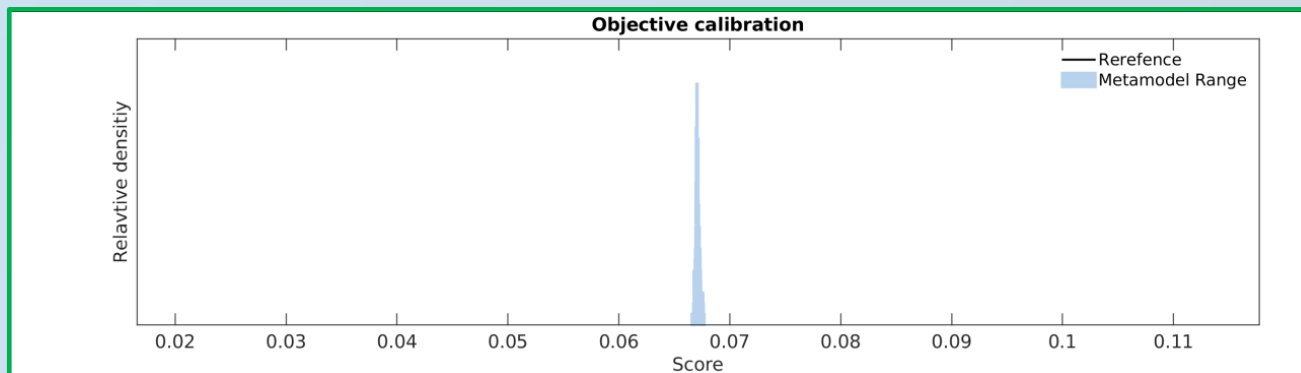
Selection of cases, parameters and meteorological fields

Station observations  
 from Greece and Israel  
 (Daily Tdry max, Tdry min, Tdew  
 max, Tdew min and Precipitation)

COSMO Model runs

Metamodel calibration

Derivation of optimum parameter values in reference to the default runs



## ■ Case choice for optimization

60 cases were chosen from the year 2019, 5cases/month (case\_d2019mmdd\_00/) i.e.:

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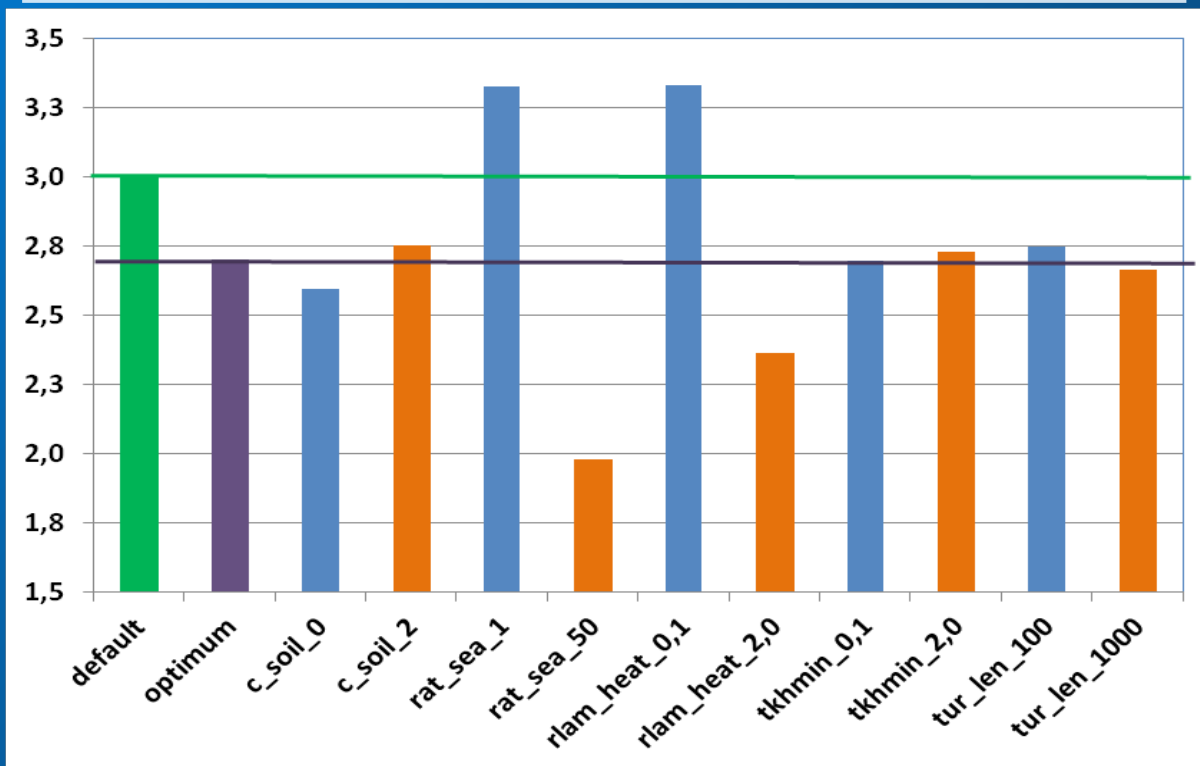
The main criterion for the case choice is the development of extensive precipitation

22 runs per case according to parameter **default**, **min/max**, **cross** and **optimum** values.

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60 day areal <tot\_prec\_42hs> [kg/m<sup>2</sup>]



## □ Optimization and Evaluation strategy

Selection of a new set of cases



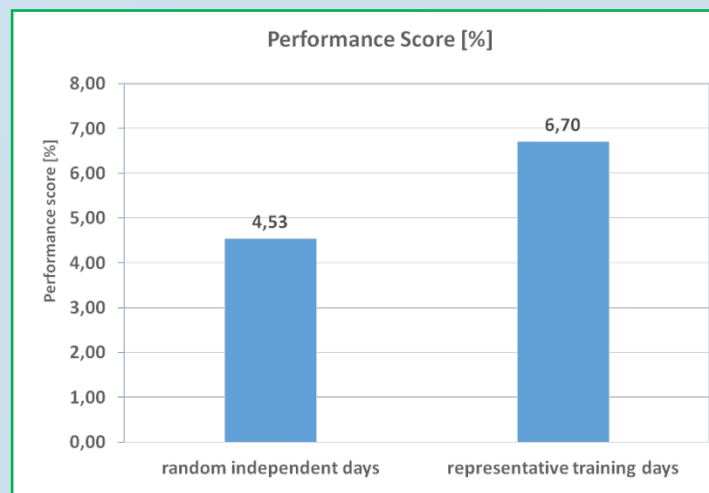
COSMO Model runs (default and optimum parameter values)



Station observations  
from Greece and Israel  
(Daily Tdry max, Tdry min, Tdew  
max, Tdew min and Precipitation)



Evaluation of model performance scores for optimum  
parameter values in reference to the default runs



## ■ Case choice for evaluation

60 cases were chosen from the year 2019, 5cases/month (case\_d2019**mmdd**\_00/) i.e.:

case\_d2019**0103**\_00/ case\_d2019**0104**\_00/ case\_d2019**0110**\_00/ case\_d2019**0119**\_00/ case\_d2019**0125**\_00/  
 case\_d2019**0201**\_00/ case\_d2019**0213**\_00/ case\_d2019**0217**\_00/ case\_d2019**0221**\_00/ case\_d2019**0227**\_00/  
 case\_d2019**0308**\_00/ case\_d2019**0317**\_00/ case\_d2019**0320**\_00/ case\_d2019**0322**\_00/ case\_d2019**0330**\_00/  
 case\_d2019**0402**\_00/ case\_d2019**0412**\_00/ case\_d2019**0427**\_00/ case\_d2019**0428**\_00/ case\_d2019**0430**\_00/  
 case\_d2019**0505**\_00/ case\_d2019**0509**\_00/ case\_d2019**0511**\_00/ case\_d2019**0512**\_00/ case\_d2019**0525**\_00/  
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 case\_d2019**1102**\_00/ case\_d2019**1116**\_00/ case\_d2019**1121**\_00/ case\_d2019**1122**\_00/ case\_d2019**1125**\_00/  
 case\_d2019**1205**\_00/ case\_d2019**1217**\_00/ case\_d2019**1221**\_00/ case\_d2019**1225**\_00/ case\_d2019**1231**\_00/

The cases were chosen *randomly* from 2019 but were *different* from the optimization ones.

2 runs per case according to parameter **default** and **optimum** values.

dyyyymmdd\_00\_**default**.tar.bz2

dyyyymmdd\_00\_**optimum**.tar.bz2

☐ Computational resources

■ Computer system

ECMWF Cray XC40, Xeon E5-2695v4 18C 2.1GHz, Aries interconnect  
 #103 (TOP 500, June 2021)

<https://www.ecmwf.int/en/computing/our-facilities/supercomputer>



## □ Computational resources

- Computational cost of model runs:  
In kind provision of billing units by HNMS at ECMWF supercomputing system to run the model
- Computational cost of a single run:  
~ 18000 b.us., ~3000 secs (2880 cpus).
- Total use of b.us.: ~ 30 million

- Computational resources
- Volume of output storage:
  - ~ 11.5 GB / run (\*.tar.bz2).
  - ~ 17 TB Total at ECFS.

## CONCLUSIONS

- Calibration of COSMO model using CALMO technology over the wider Eastern Mediterranean area should be considered a successful endeavor towards the benefit of COSMO, ICON and CCLM as well as the meteorological and climatological communities in general.
- This work nicely completes the CALMO works over Switzerland and Northern Italy, especially under the fact that COSMO model was optimized using rather sparse station observations instead of gridded data.
- Although this work was computationally expensive, it should be considered computationally quite affordable for smaller domains as well as quite adequate regarding local meteorological features.