

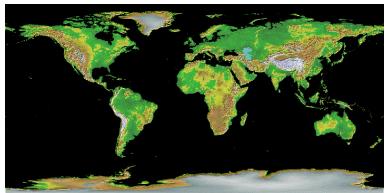
Consolidation of the software for the generation of External Parameters and extension with new raw data sets

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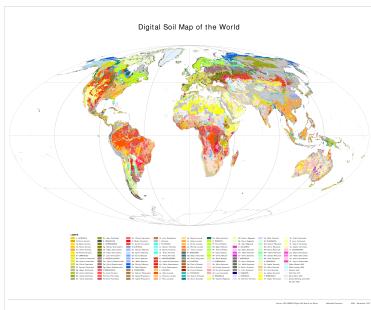
Outline

- ➔ Current status of „Extpar“
- ➔ open topics

Overall description of the External Parameter System



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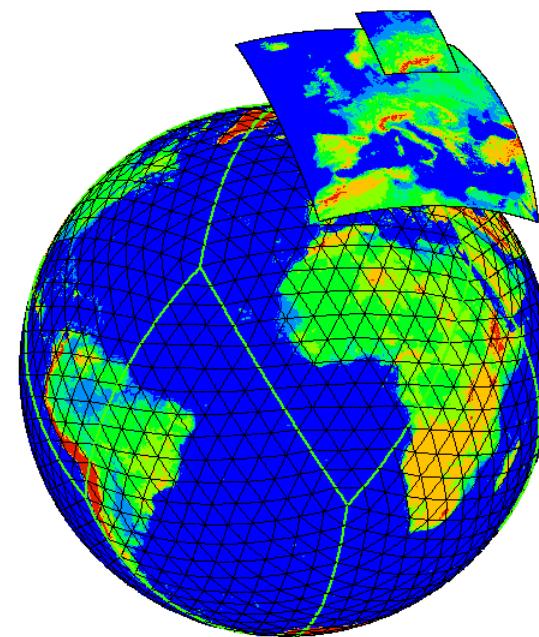


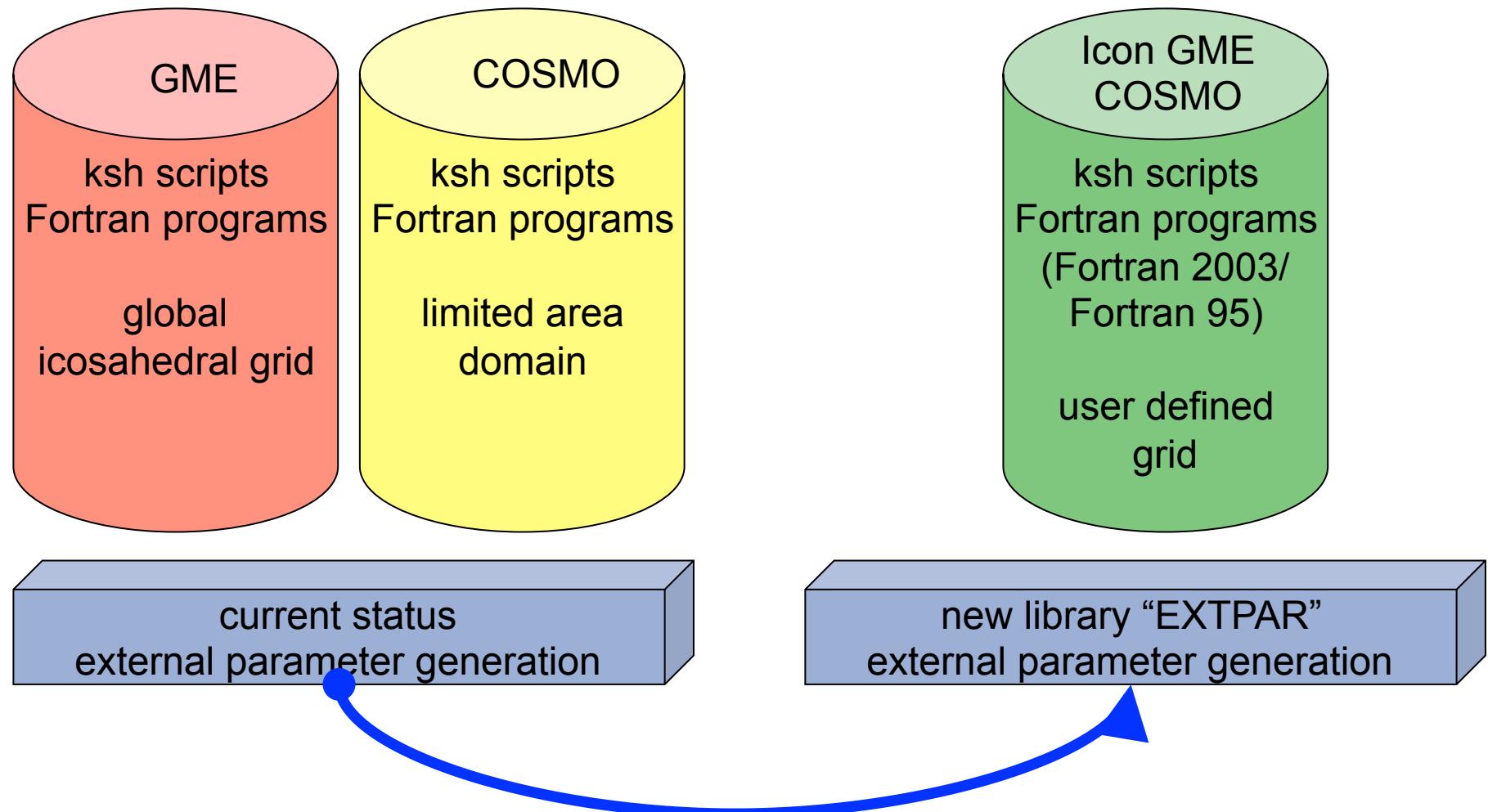
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soil data



GLC2000
land use

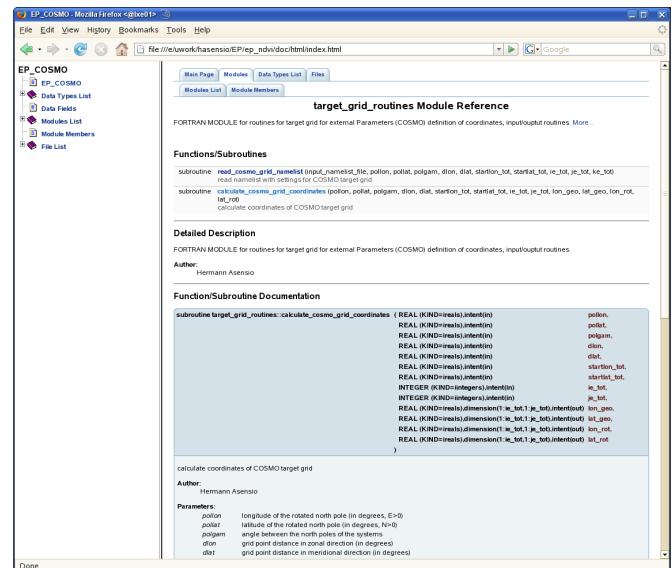
external
parameters
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grid





Software for the generation of External Parameters (COLBOC Task 2): technical development

- new software code basis (Fortran 2003 standard) according to the software requirement specifications, current Version “EXTPAR V1_1”
- technical documentation with doxygen as Website (HTML generated with the help of “tags” from comments in the Fortran source code)
- introductory user guide
- NetCDF as basic file format for Input/Output
- GRIB output with ECMWF “GRIB_API”



Consolidation and extension of database (COLBOC)

Task 3) : Additional external parameters

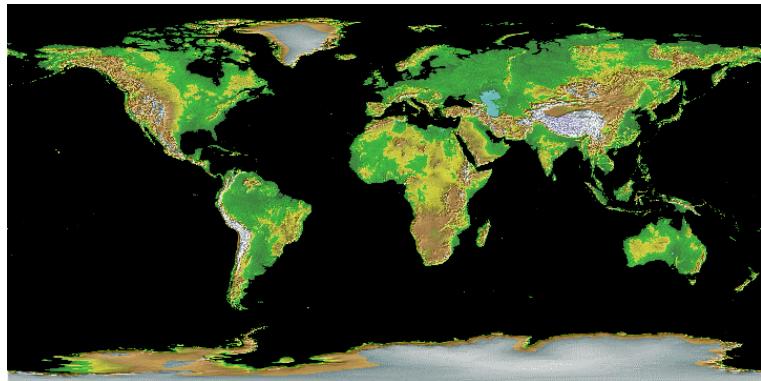


→ external parameter fields for the COSMO model, total 15 fields

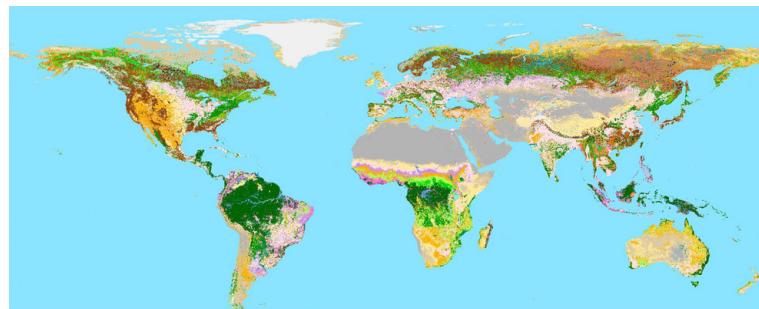


→ planned extensions for the COSMO model, total 30 fields

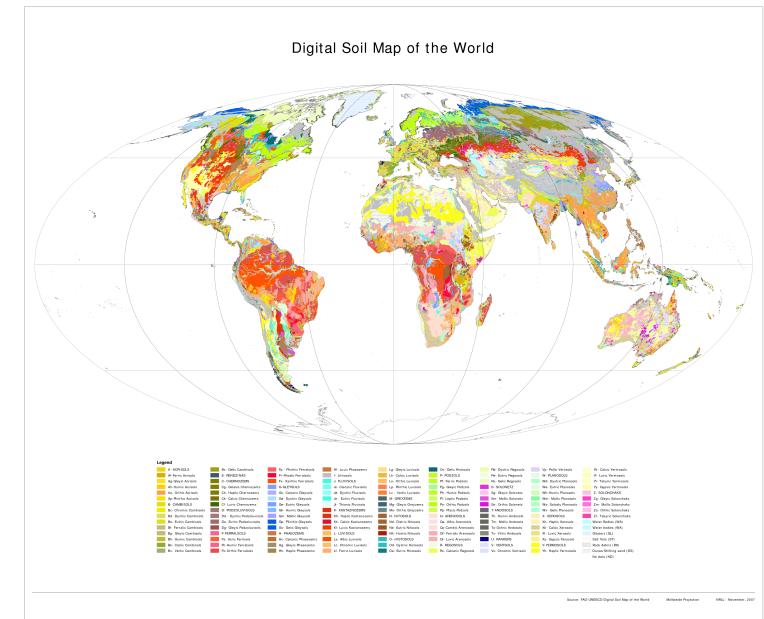
Currently used raw data for external parameters



GLOBE



GLC2000

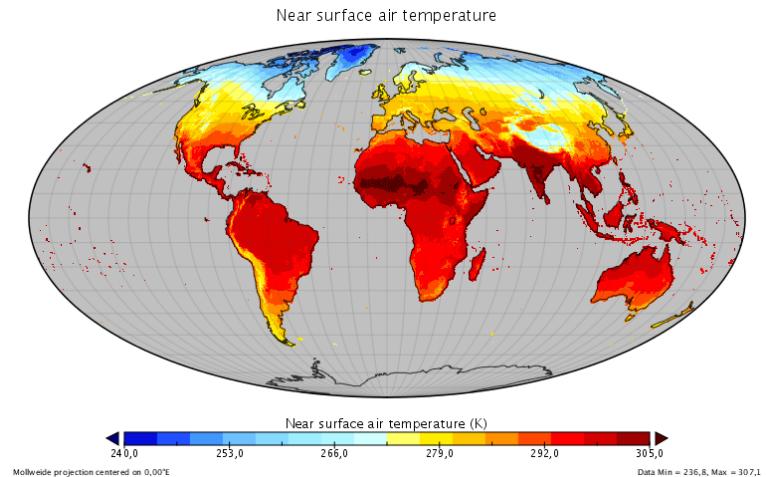
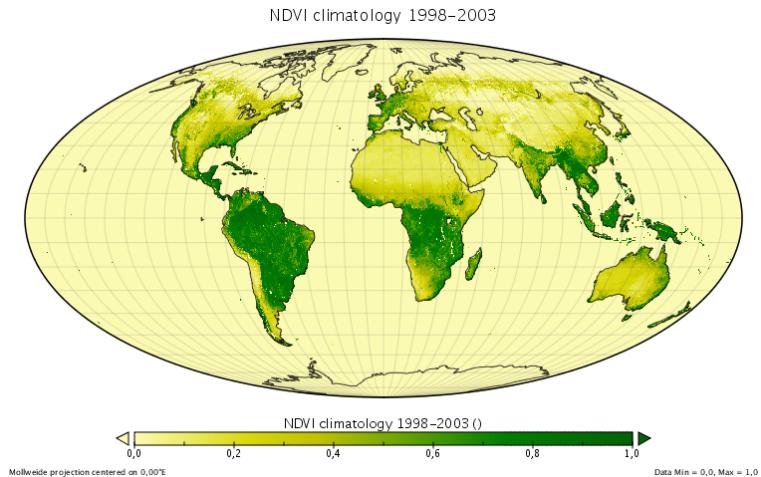


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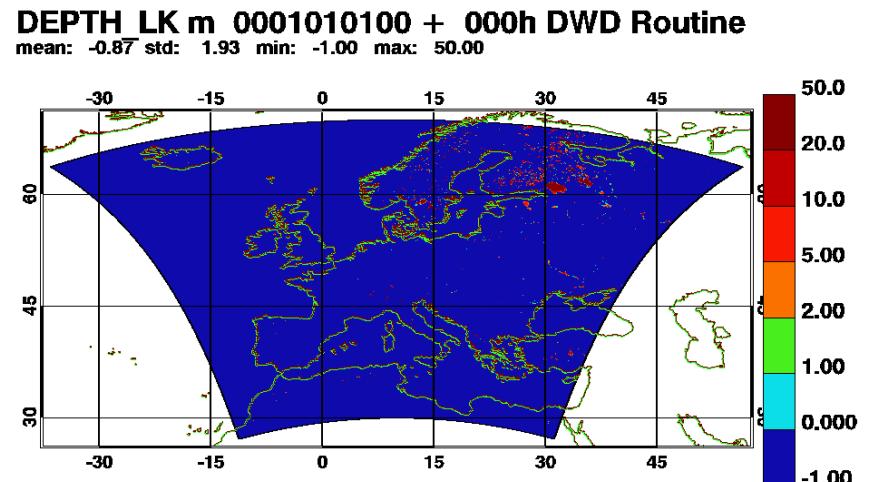
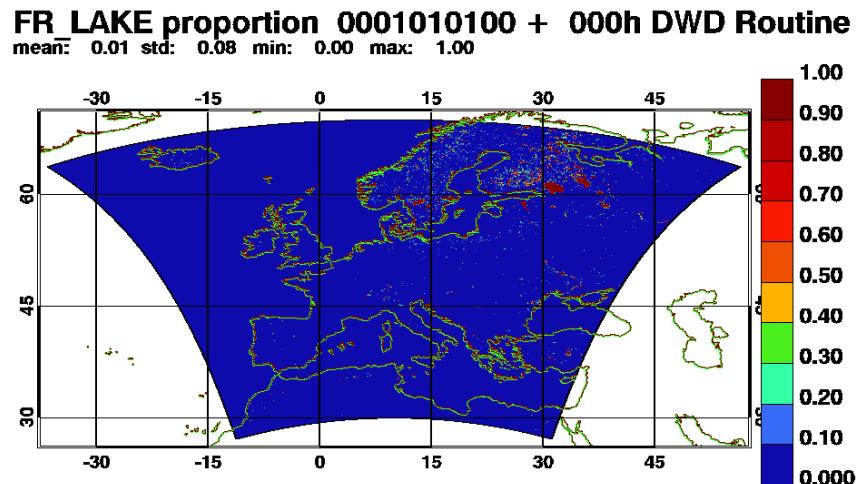
Additional raw datasets

- NDVI (SEAWiFS)
- climatology of near surface temperature (CRU)
- climatology of aerosol optical thickness (I. Tegen)
- lake depth database (30" gridded global field,
Eakterina Kourzeneva: DWD, RSHU, MeteoFrance)

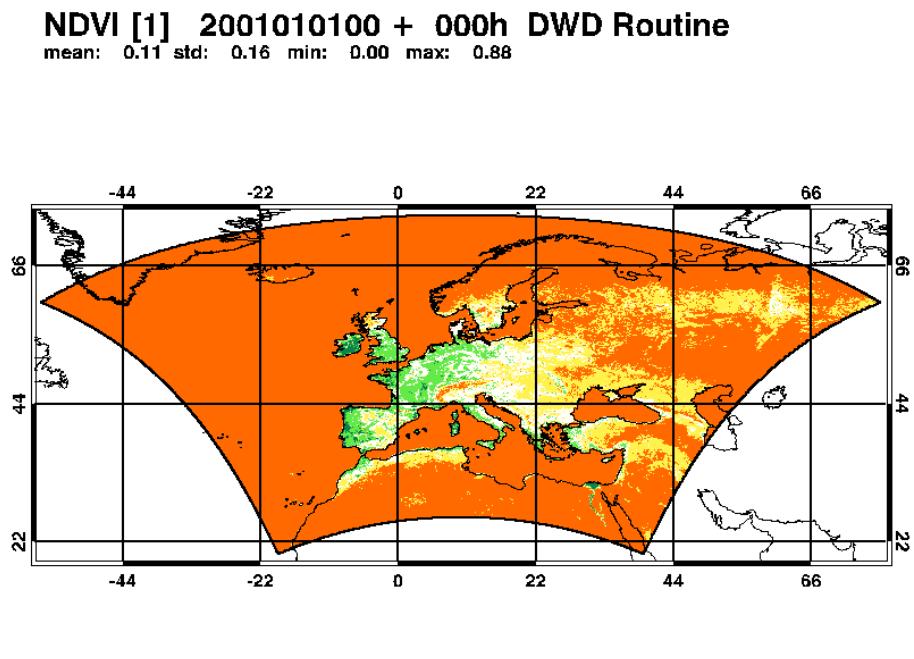


Additional external parameters

- Fraction Lake FR_LAKE
- Lake Depth DEPTH_LK required for FLake



Additional external parameters Normalized Differential Vegetation Index (NDVI)

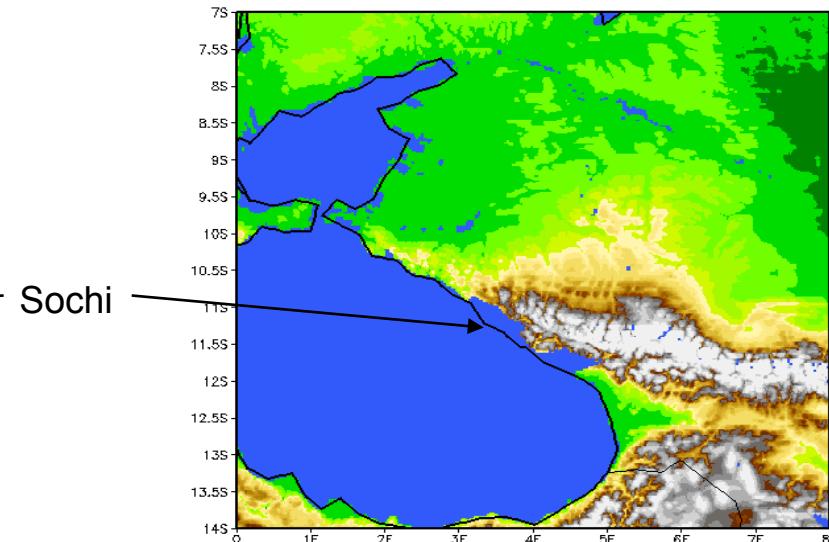


Caveats

Problem: The Olympic Winter Games 2014 in Sochi, Russian Federation:

The map

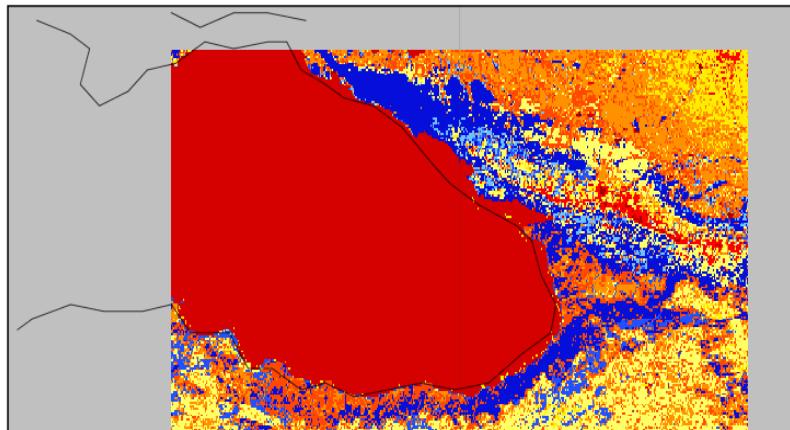
The external parameters



Most raw data sets provide values (for soiltype etc.)
But the land-sea-mask of the GLC2000 data set gives sea water!

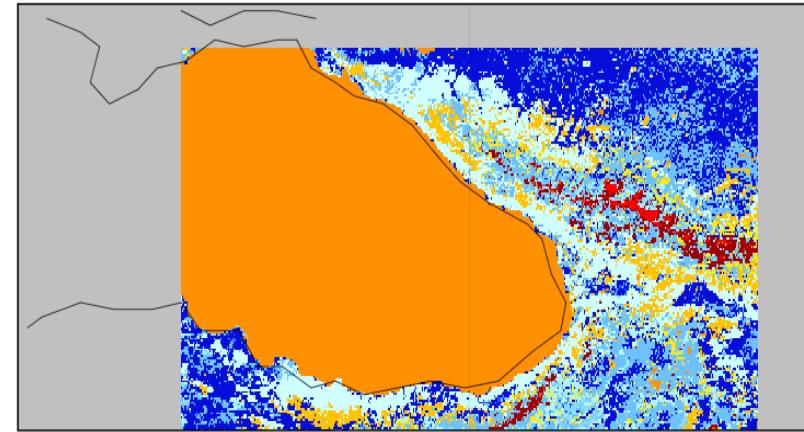
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The external parameters are only as good as the available raw data sets.

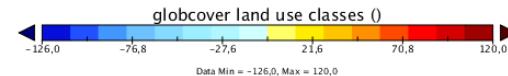
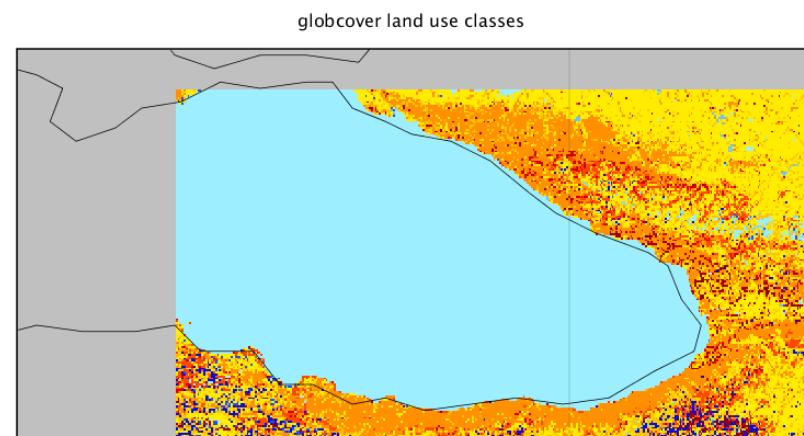


GLC2000 land use classes
(currently used)

Globcover 2009



GLCC USGS land use / land cover system



Open topics



Software for the generation of External Parameters (COLBOC Task 2) : open topics

- ➔ distribution of software (and raw datasets)
- ➔ Webinterface for standard requests for the generation of external parameters for arbitrary domains (prototype available <https://webservice.dwd.de/>)
- ➔ update documentation and user guide

Consolidation and extension of database (COLBOC Task 3) : open topics

- smoothing of orography in EXTPAR for parameters for sub-grid scale orography effects (proper scale separation for Z0 / SSO ?)
- External parameters for orographic radiation correction
- consolidate and extend raw datasets:
 - Harmonized World Soil Database
 - MODIS data for surface background albedo
 - ETOPO1, SRTM or ASTER DEM for orography
 - Globcover 2009 for land use data
 - ...

Thank you for your attention!

