



# Testing the new model version COSMO 5.05\_urb for Moscow megacity: current problems and preliminary verification

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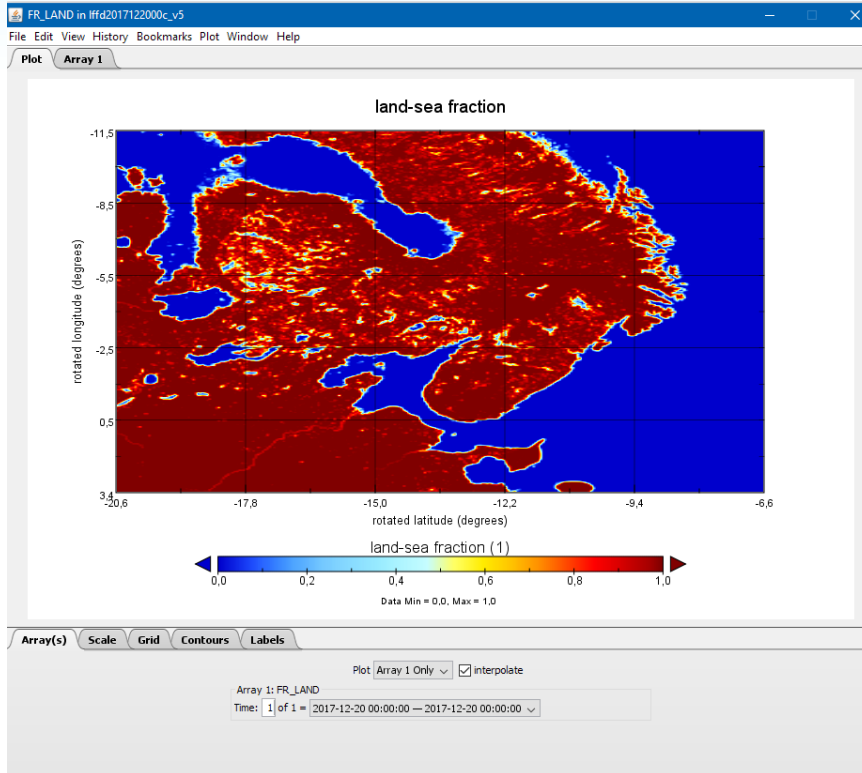
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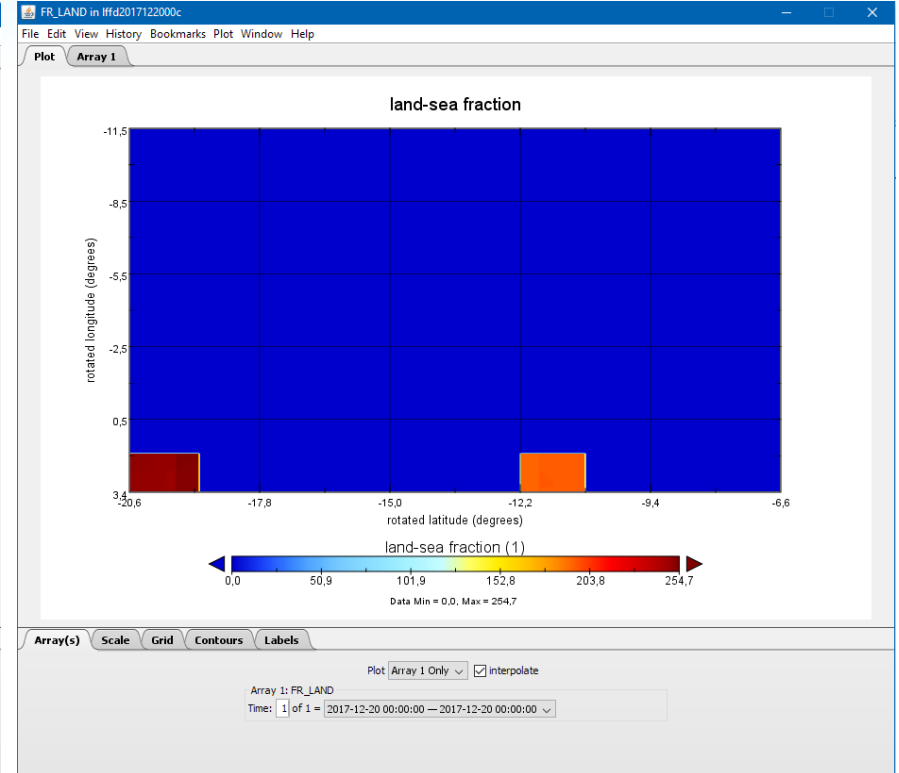


# Problem 1: writing constants

lffd...c.nc file from output directory



v 5.0\_clm9



v 5.05\_urb1

Running nested experiments becomes annoying  
due to the need of running both 5.05 and 5.0 model versions

# Problem 2: model failure with significant number of CPUs

|                                     | TERRA_URB off or on | Failures observed                     |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Arctic, K05<br>(300x280 grid)       | Off                 | OK with 64 CPUs                       |
| Arctic, K02<br>(350x210 grid)       | off                 | OK with 100 CPUs                      |
| Arctic, K01<br>(100x100 grid)       | off                 | OK with 64 CPUs                       |
| Moscow region, D1<br>(140x140 grid) | off                 | Fails with more than 12 CPUs.         |
| Moscow region, D3<br>(180x180 grid) | off                 | OK with 64 CPUs, fails with 100 CPUs. |
|                                     | on                  | Fails with more than 16 CPUs.         |

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OPEN: ncdf-file:
/mnt/scratch/users/vplatonov/COSMO-CLM/experiments_misha/URBAN_REANALYSIS/2014/
ETR_0.108_Globcover4AEVUS/OUT_default_t/out01/1ffd2014050100c.nc
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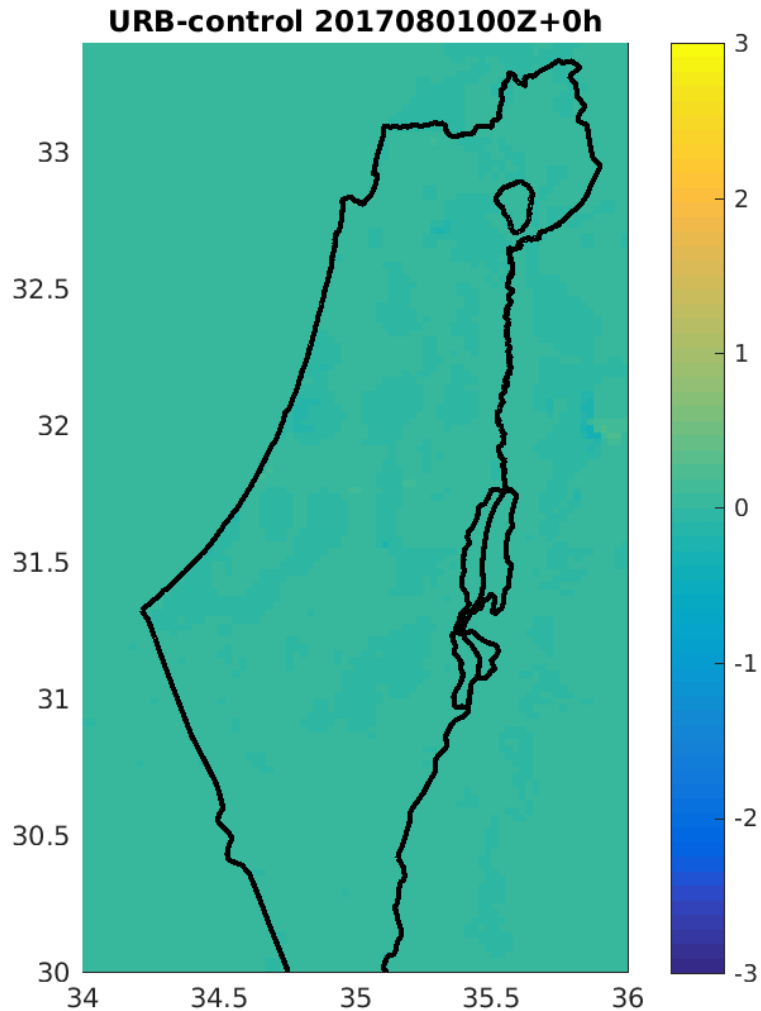
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**New tests have shown that this problem is directly linked to a previous one. No fails with lwrite\_const = FALSE**

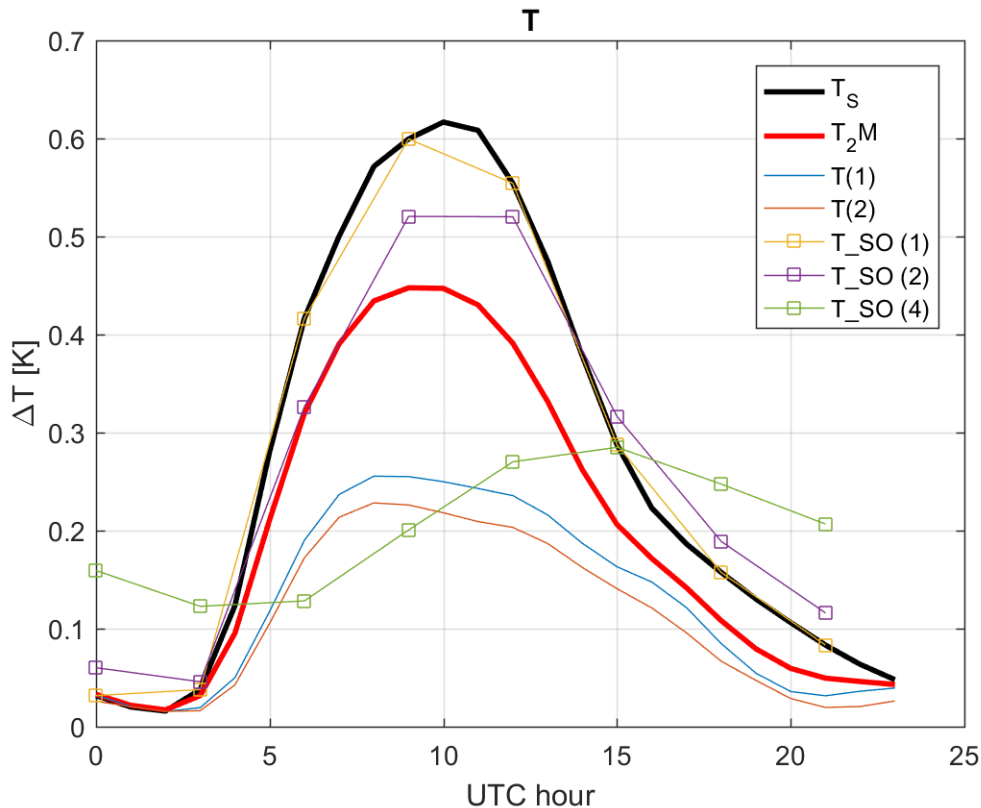
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Results from  
Pavel Khain



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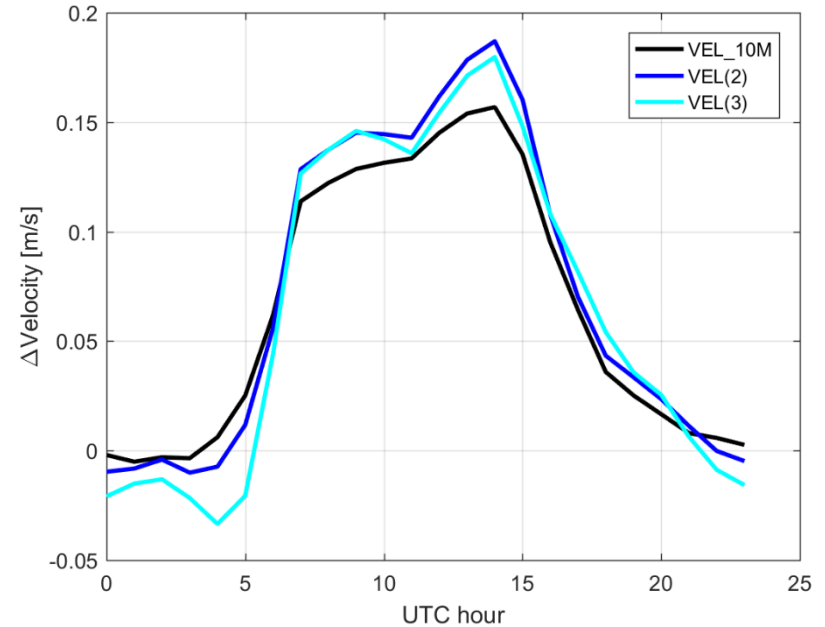
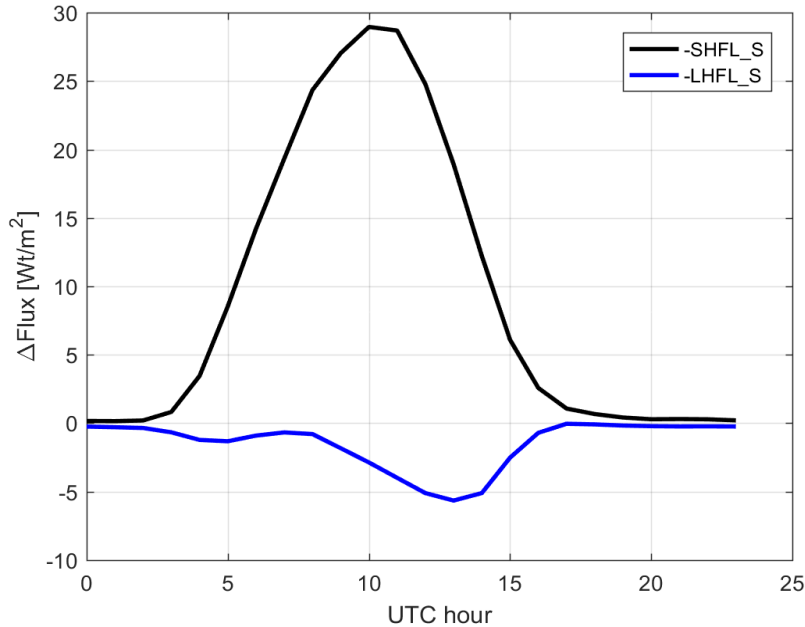
$$\Delta T = T_{\text{emptyURB}} - T_{\text{noURB}}$$

**emptyURB:** ISA and AHF fields are set to zero, **TERRA\_URB switched on**

**noURB:** **TERRA\_URB switched off**

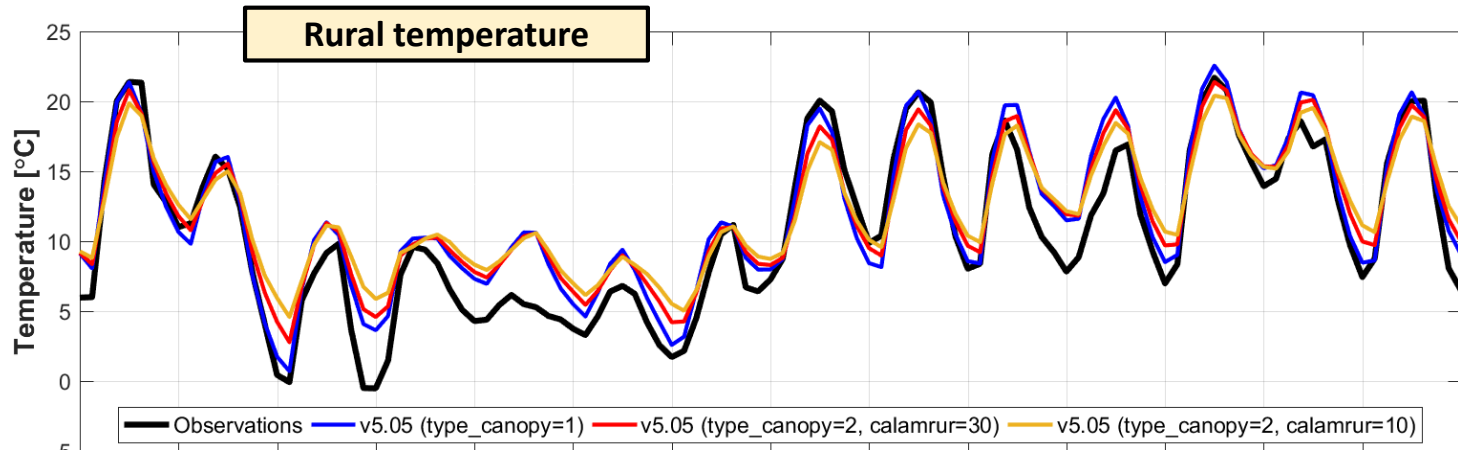
Diurnal variation of the temperature response for switching on the TERRA\_URB scheme for D3\_emptyURB domain, averaged over the whole domain and over 15 days of simulation (1-15 May). Ts is surface temperature, T2m – diagnostic 2 meters temperature, T(1) and T(2) – temperature at two lowest atmospheric levels, T\_SO – soil temperature (at 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> levels from the top).

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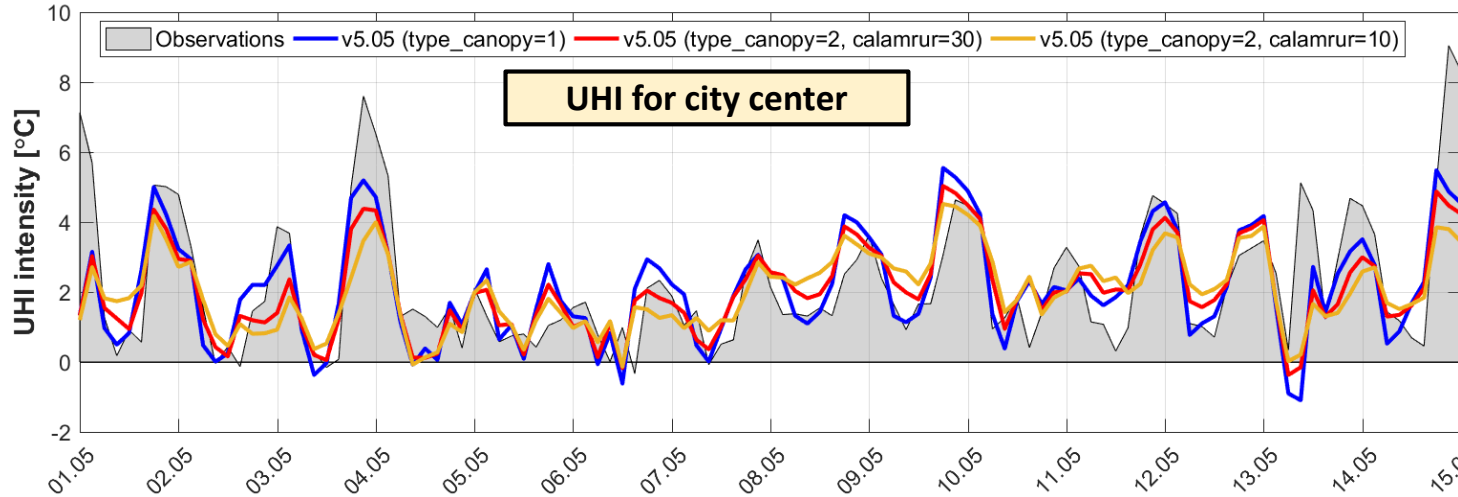


Hypothesis: something is wrong with vertical diffusion coefficients

# Problem 4: something is wrong with skin-layer temperature scheme



1-15 May 2014



|             |           |   |            |
|-------------|-----------|---|------------|
| v5.0_clm9:  | calamrur↓ | → | DTR↑, UHI↑ |
| V5.05_urb1: | calamrur↓ | → | DTR↓, UHI↓ |

DTR – daily temperature range

# Problem 5 (new):

## EXTPAR names treatment

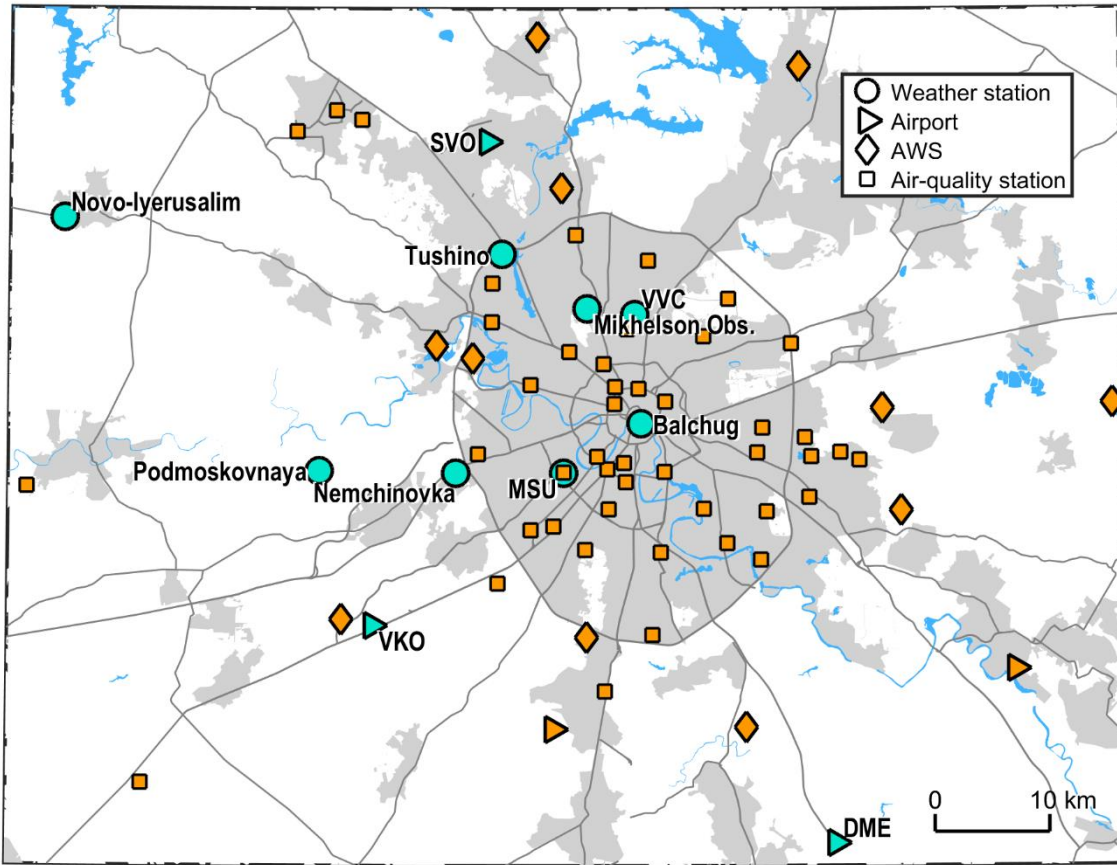
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- COSMO 5.0 reads **ISA** (Impervious surface area) and **AHF** (anthropogenic heat flux) fields from the external parameter file (laf\*.nc).
- In 5.05, **ISA** was renamed to **FR\_PAVED**
- COSMO 5.05 try to read both **ISA** and **FR\_PAVED**
- **If FR\_PAVED is missing, but ISA is present:**
  - No error is thrown by the model
  - The urban fractions is set to zero everywhere



# Weather observations in Moscow region

## New dense meteorological networks



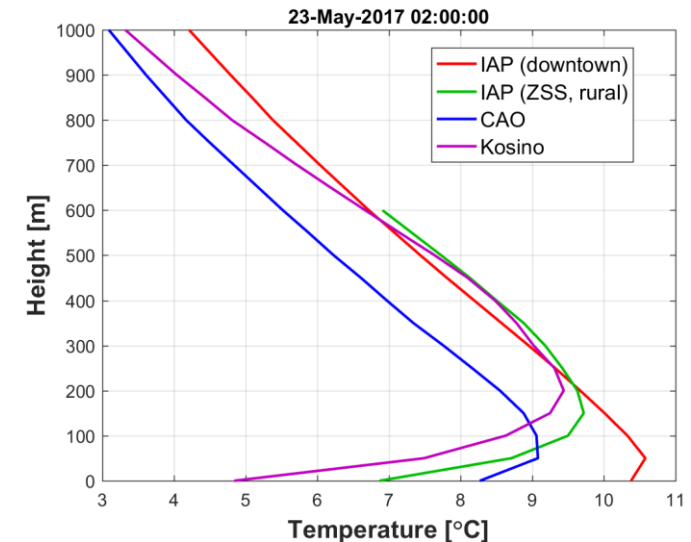
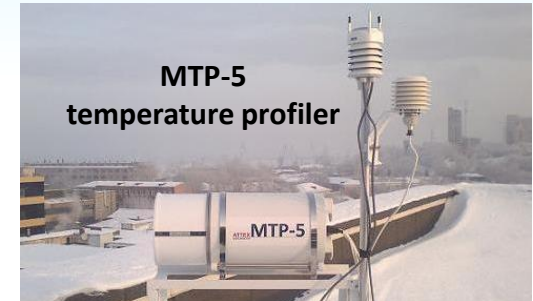
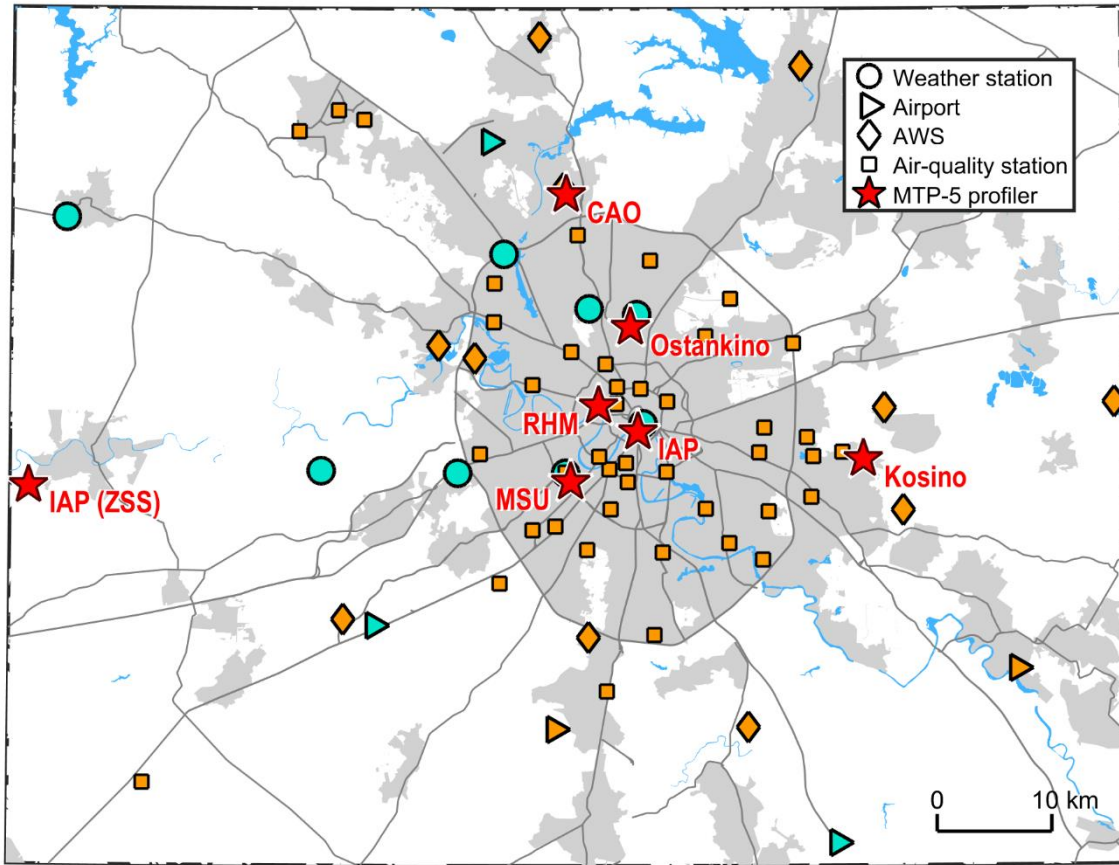
**New automatic weather stations (AWSs) of Roshydromet (since 2013)**



**Air-quality monitoring stations of Mosecomonitoring (since 1990<sup>th</sup>)**

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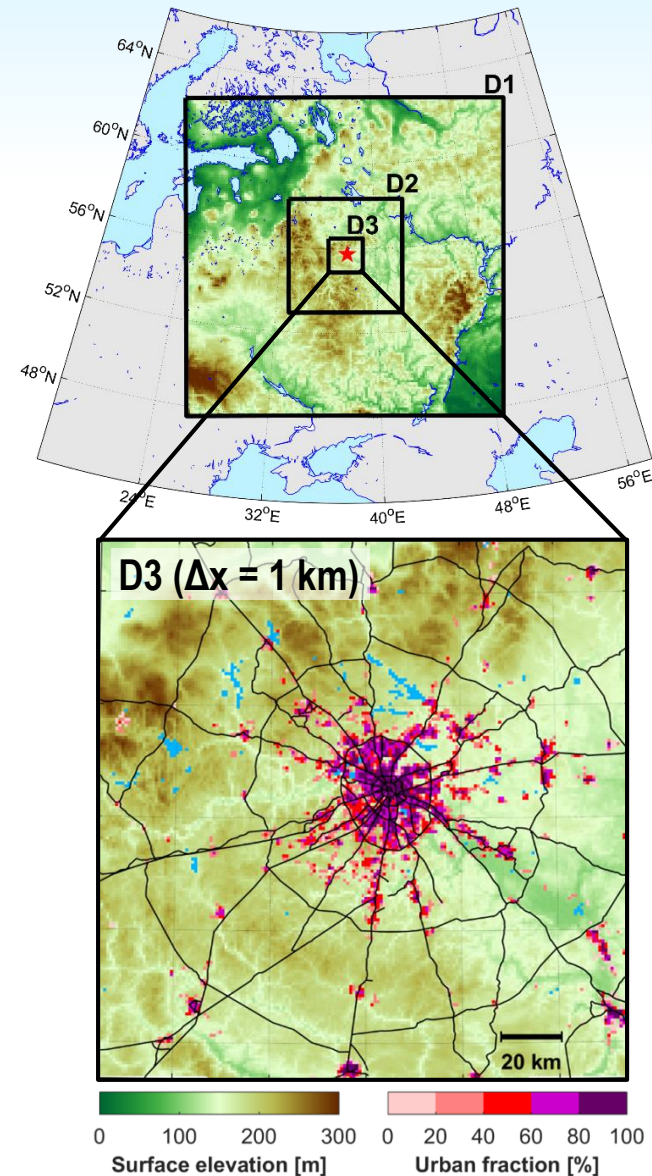
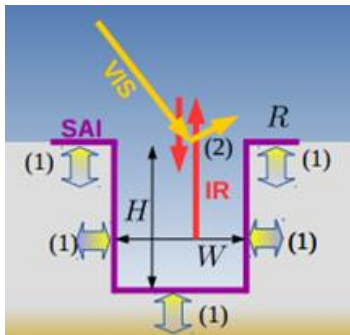
## ABL observations: microwave temperature profilers



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# Previous modelling experience

- ❑ COSMO-CLM regional climate model (COSMO 5.0\_clm9 + TERRA\_URB2.2)
- ❑ Continuous simulations for 10 summer seasons (1 month of spin up) and a few winter seasons
- ❑ 3 steps of dynamical downscaling (12 km  $\rightarrow$  3 km  $\rightarrow$  1 km)
- ❑ Boundary conditions for the first domain from ERA-Interim reanalysis + spectral nudging for U, V and T
- ❑ Tuned model configuration including reduced turbulent mixing in stable condition according (Cerenzia et al., 2014), new evaporation & canopy schemes (Schulz, 2016; Schulz, Vogel, 2017)
- ❑ TERRA\_URB urban scheme (Wouters et al., 2015; 2016)

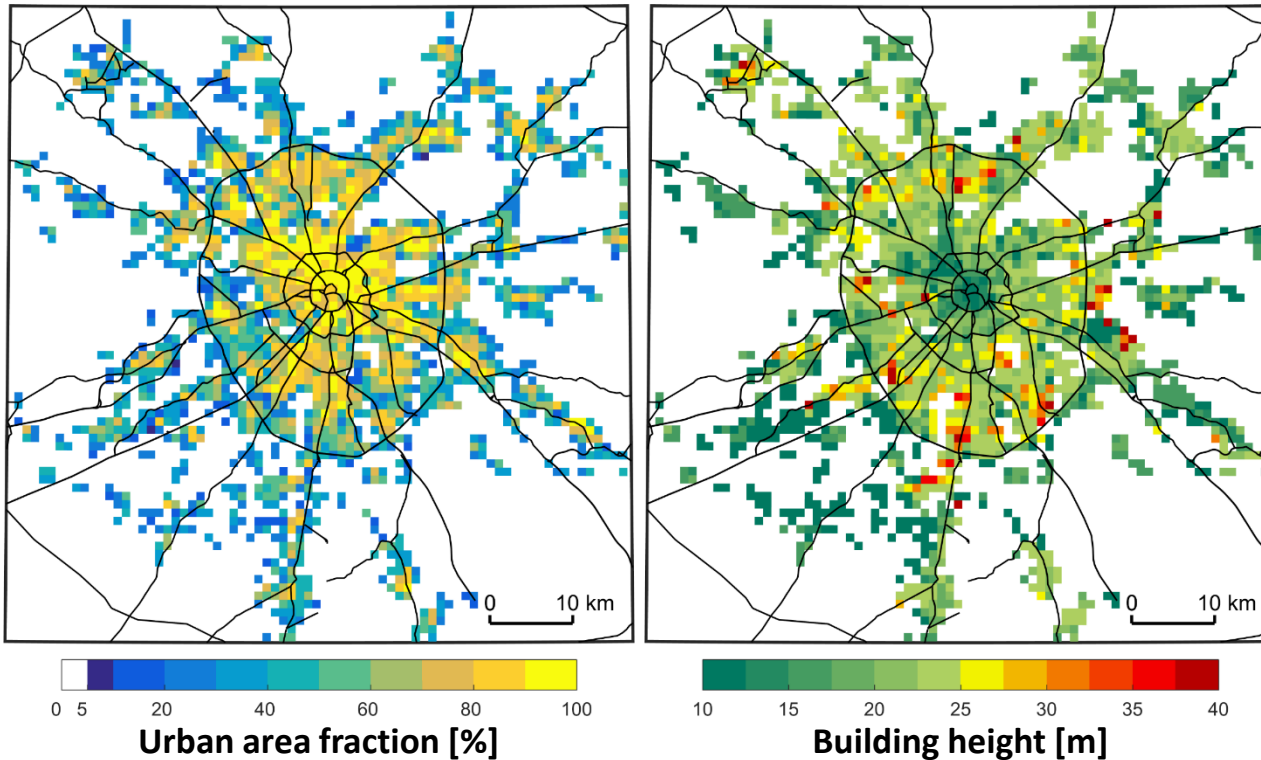




# Urban canopy parameters

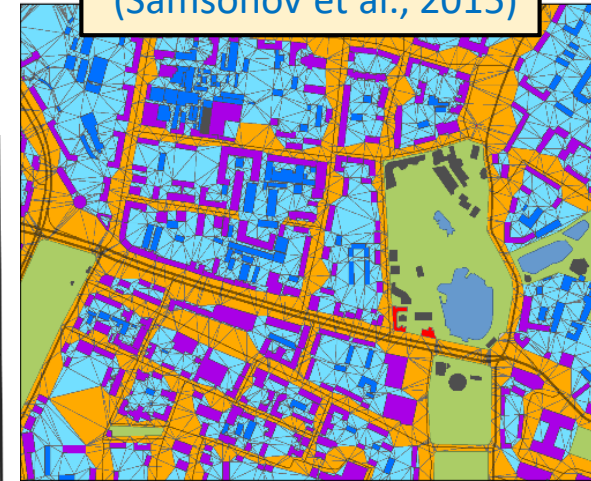
## Required urban canopy parameters for TERRA\_URB:

- Urban area fraction (= impervious surface fraction, ISA)
- Annual-mean anthropogenic heat flux (AHF)
- Building area fraction
- Building height  $H$
- Street canyon aspect ratio ( $H/W$ )

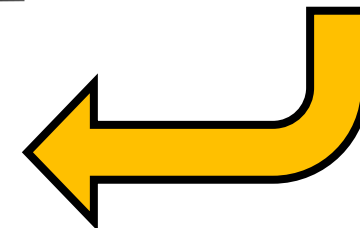


3) Calculation of the required parameters

1) GIS-processing of  
OpenStreetMaps data  
(Samsonov et al., 2015)

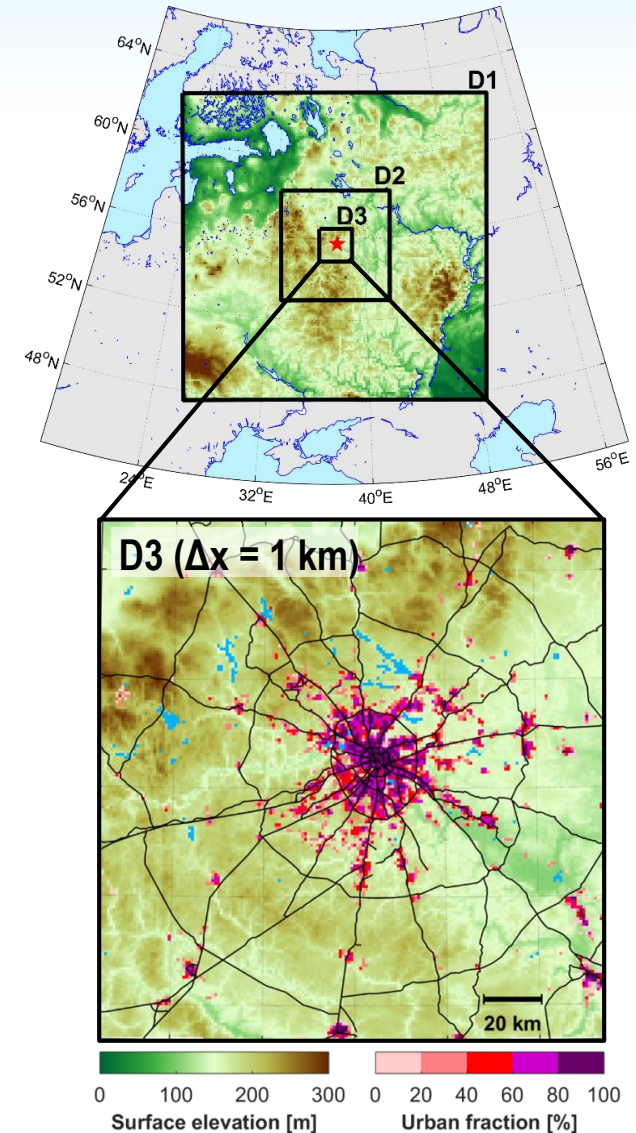


2) Averaging over given  
model grid cells



# Recent modelling experience

- ❑ Comparison between two model versions:
  - COSMO 5.0 cIm9 TERRA\_URB2.2: the original model version, developed by [Wouters et al.](#), that was used in previous modelling studies for Moscow
  - COSMO 5.05 urb1: implementation of the TERRA\_URB scheme to the recent model version, developed within the framework of AEVUS PT. The key feature - new ICON physics.  
But some bugs are still under debugging :(
- ❑ Same forcing data, domains and model setup as before, but shorter case-focused simulations for 10-15 days.
- ❑ Main focus on the air temperature and UHI intensity for now



# Namelist settings

| Parameter            | v5_REF   | v5_MOD       | v505_REF* |
|----------------------|----------|--------------|-----------|
| <b>PHYCTL</b>        |          |              |           |
| ltype_rootdp         | 1        | 2            | 2         |
| ltype_evsl           | 1        | 4            | 4         |
| ltype_heatcond       | 1        | 2            | 3         |
| ltype_canopy         | 1        | 2            | 1*        |
| calamrur             | -        | 30           | ._**      |
| <b>TUNNING</b>       |          |              |           |
| tkmmin & tkhmin      | 0.4      | 0.1 or 0.05  | 0.75      |
| pat_len              | 500      | 100 or 50    | 100       |
| <b>DYNCTL</b>        |          |              |           |
| hd_corr_(t, u, p...) | defaults | 0.25 for all | defaults  |

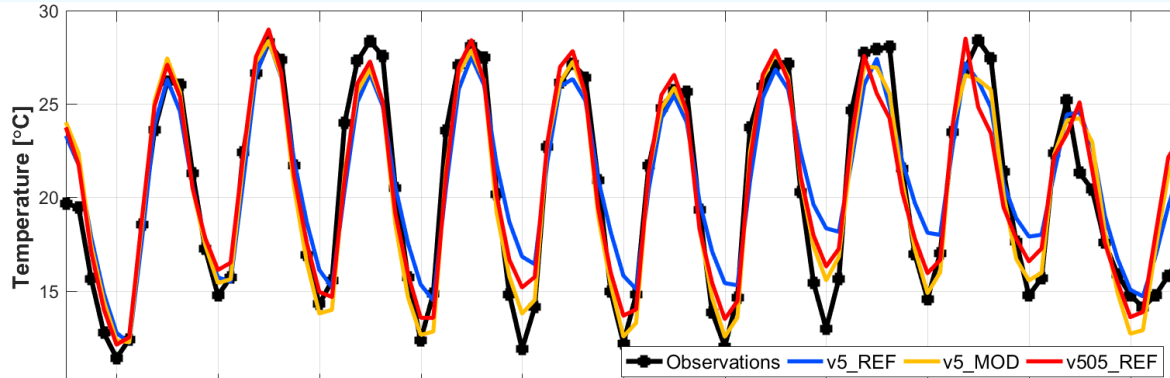
| /PHYCTL/       | OLD | NEW |
|----------------|-----|-----|
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\*Defaults for “new” physics  
(Different Configurations for the  
COSMO-ICON Physics, 2018)

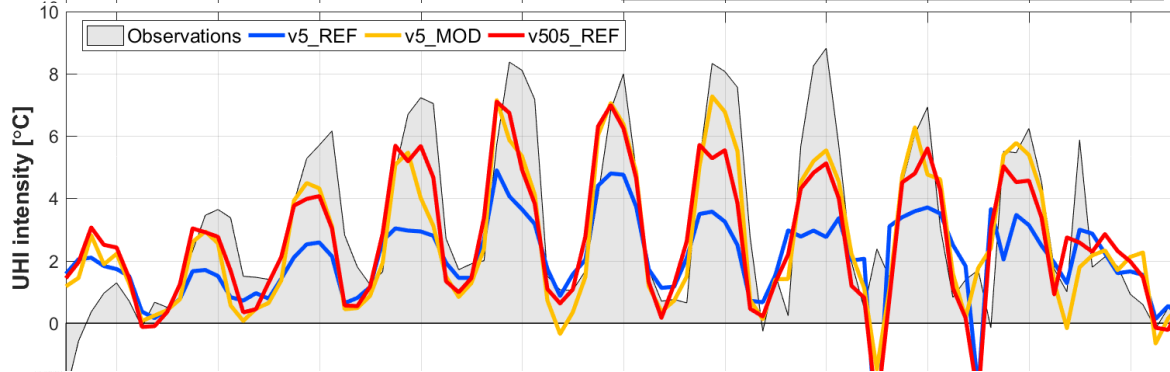
\*\*JP’s skin-layer  
temperature scheme for  
5.05\_urb is still under  
debugging

# Model verification (case 1: May 2014)

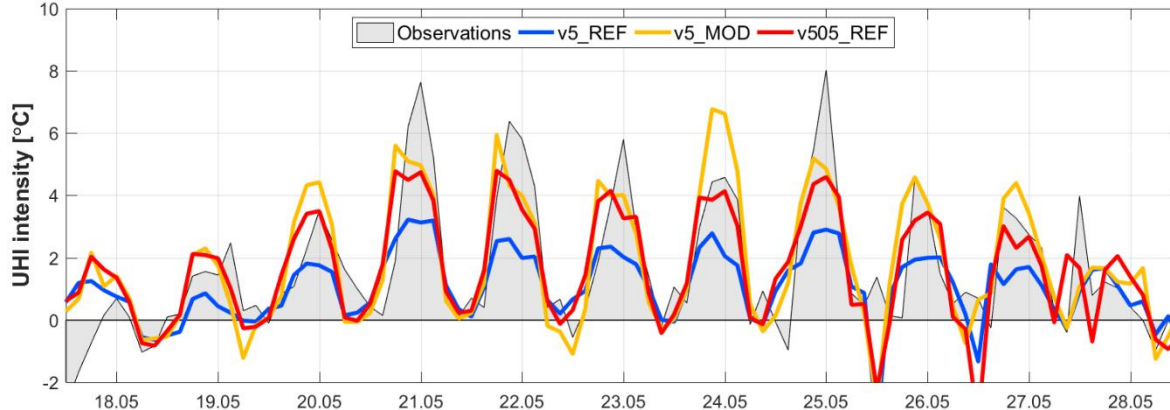
## Temperature & UHI intensity dynamics



Mean rural temperature  
(averaged over 9 stations)



UHI intensity for the  
city center (Balchug)



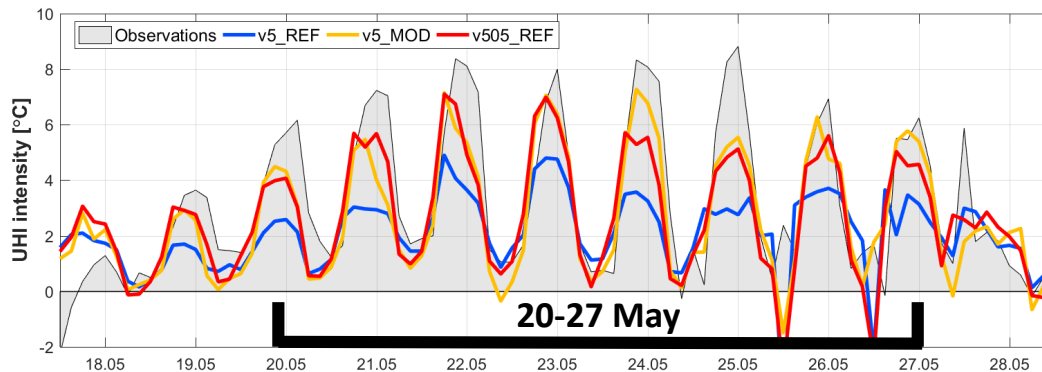
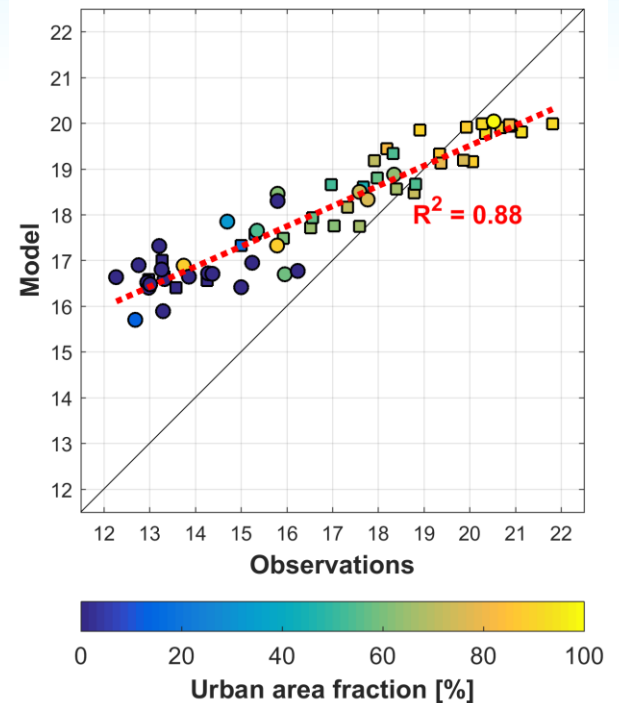
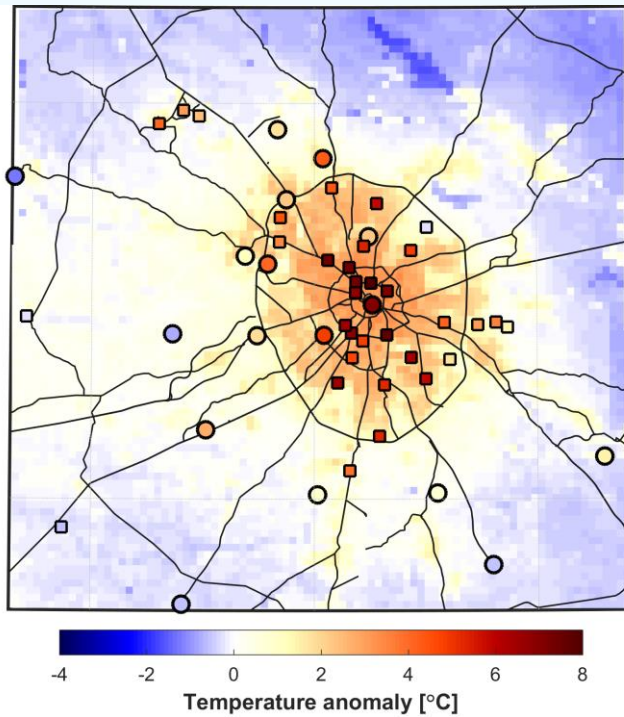
UHI intensity for the  
urban park (MSU)

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## UHI spatial structure

Mean nighttime (0 UTC) temperatures over 20-27 May

**v5\_REF**



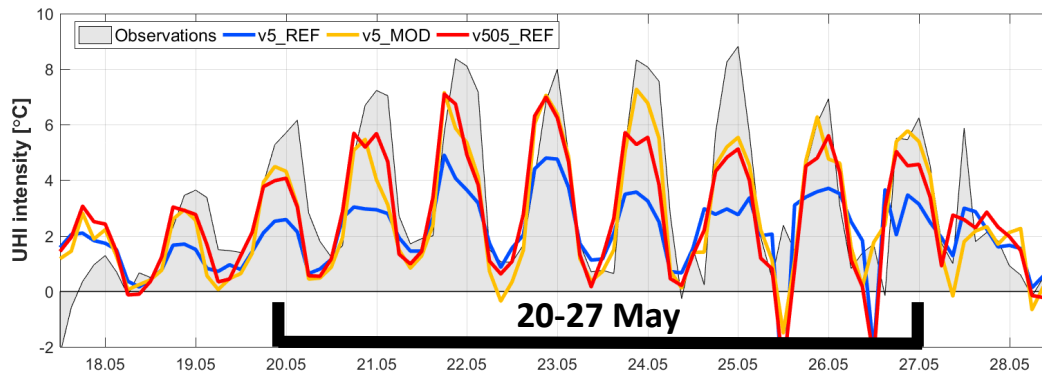
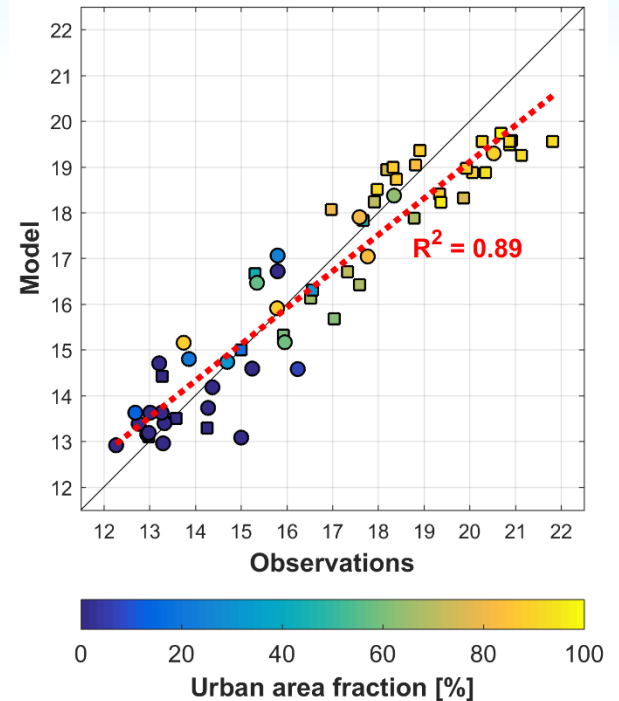
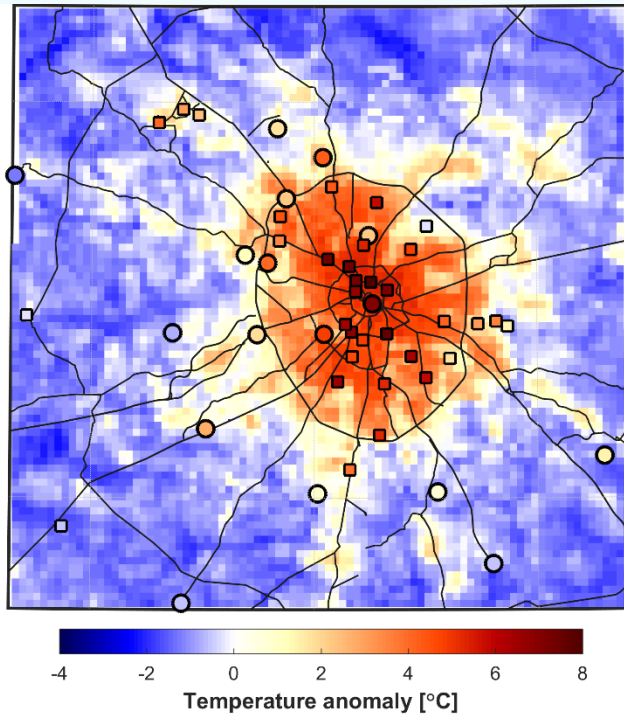


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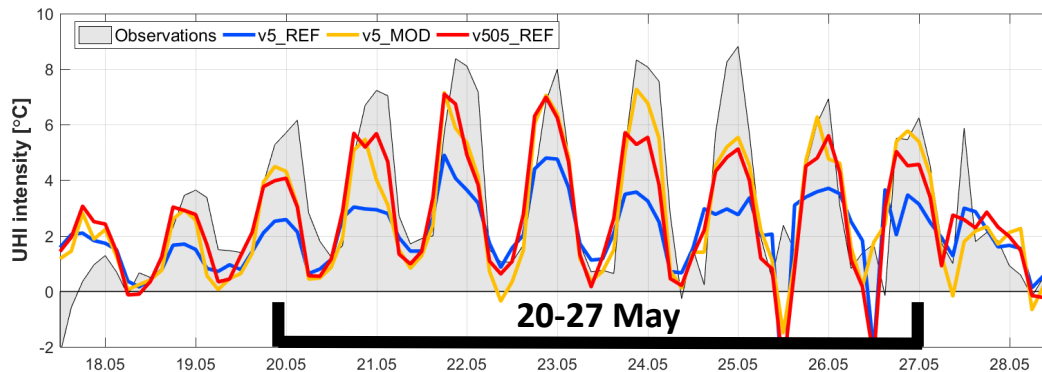
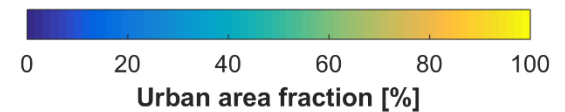
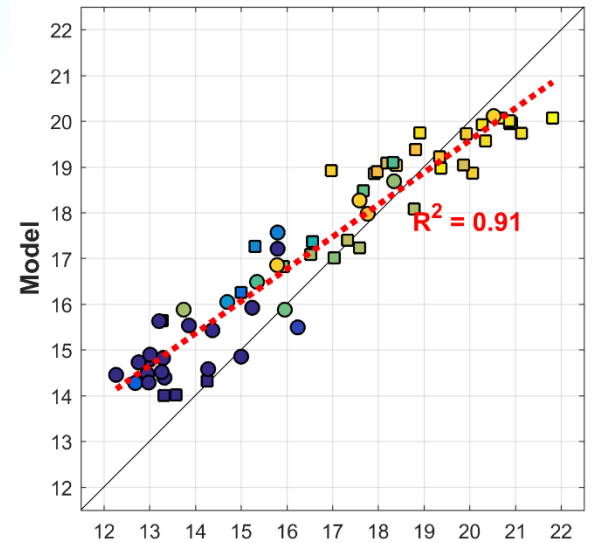
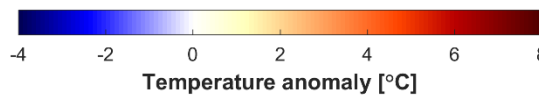
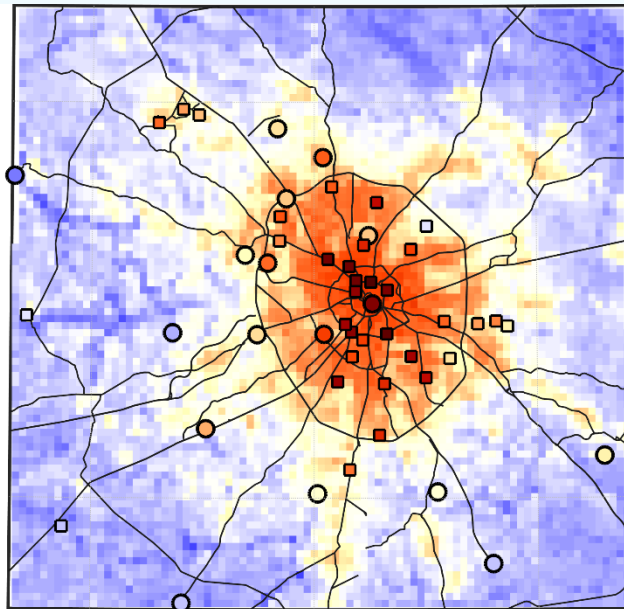


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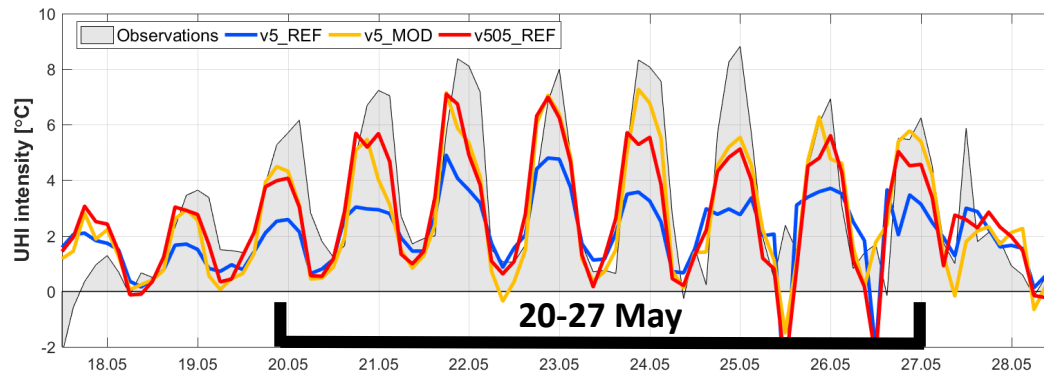
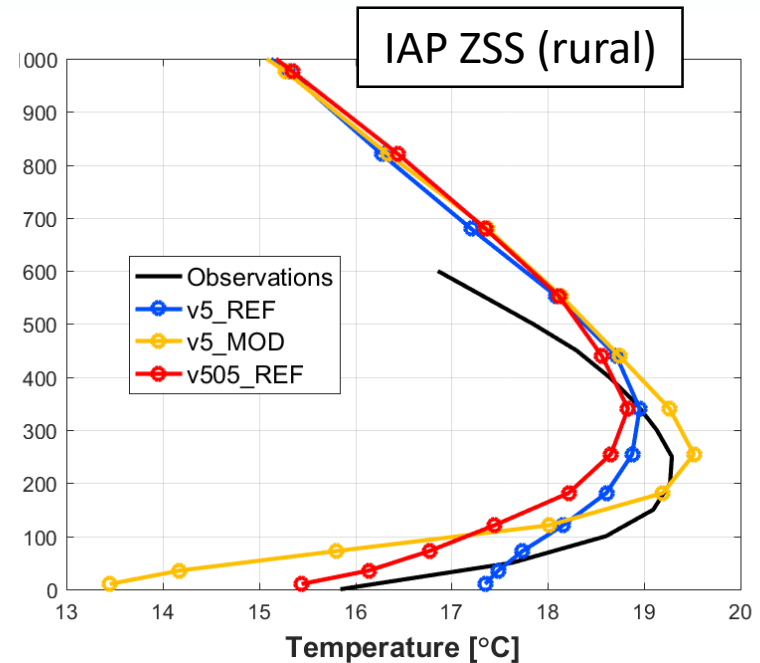
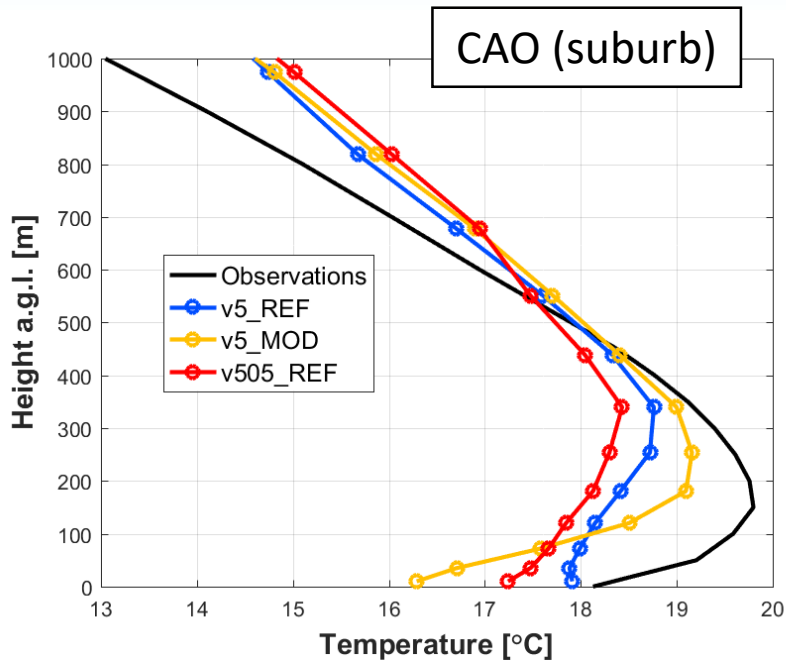
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## ABL temperature stratification

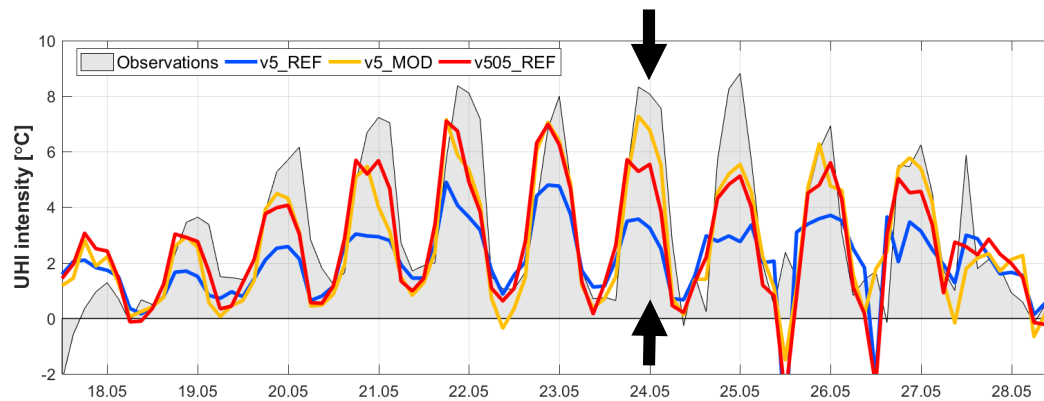
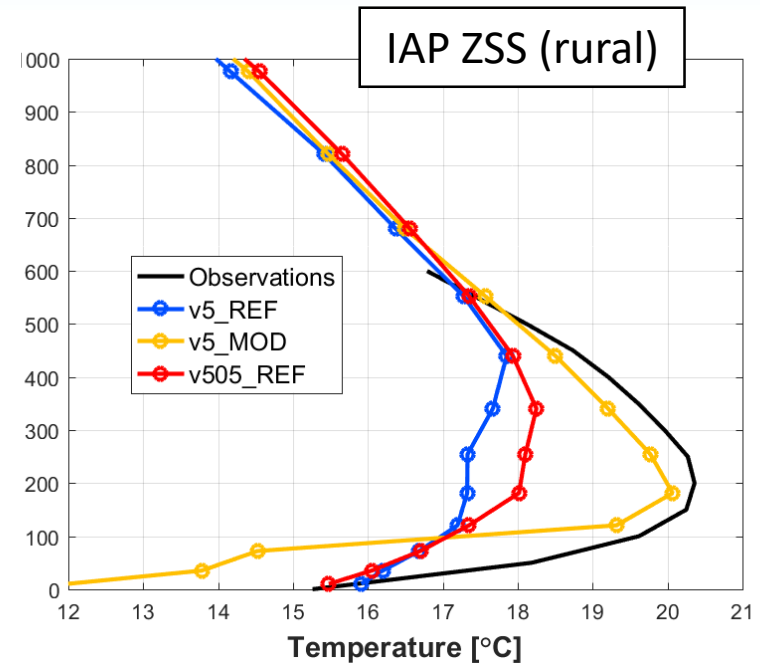
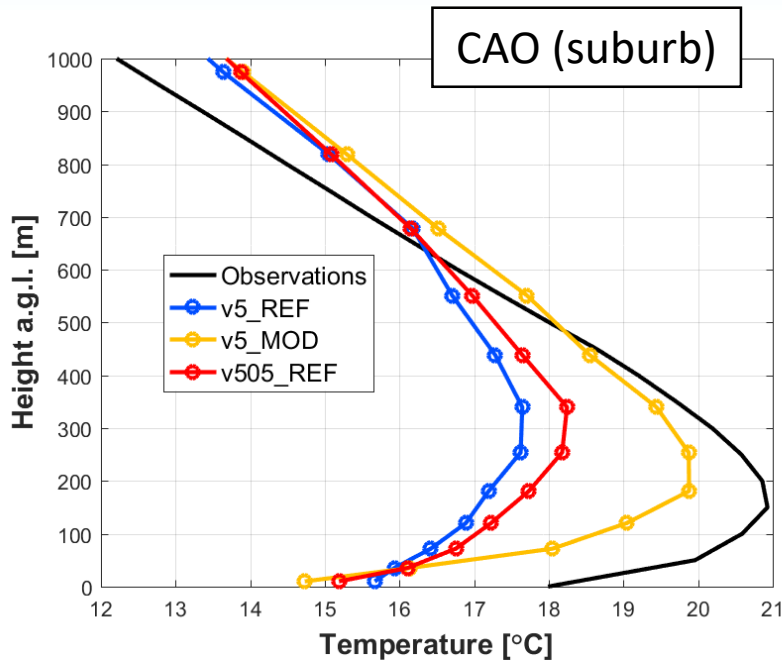
Mean nighttime (0 UTC) temperature profiles over 20-27 May



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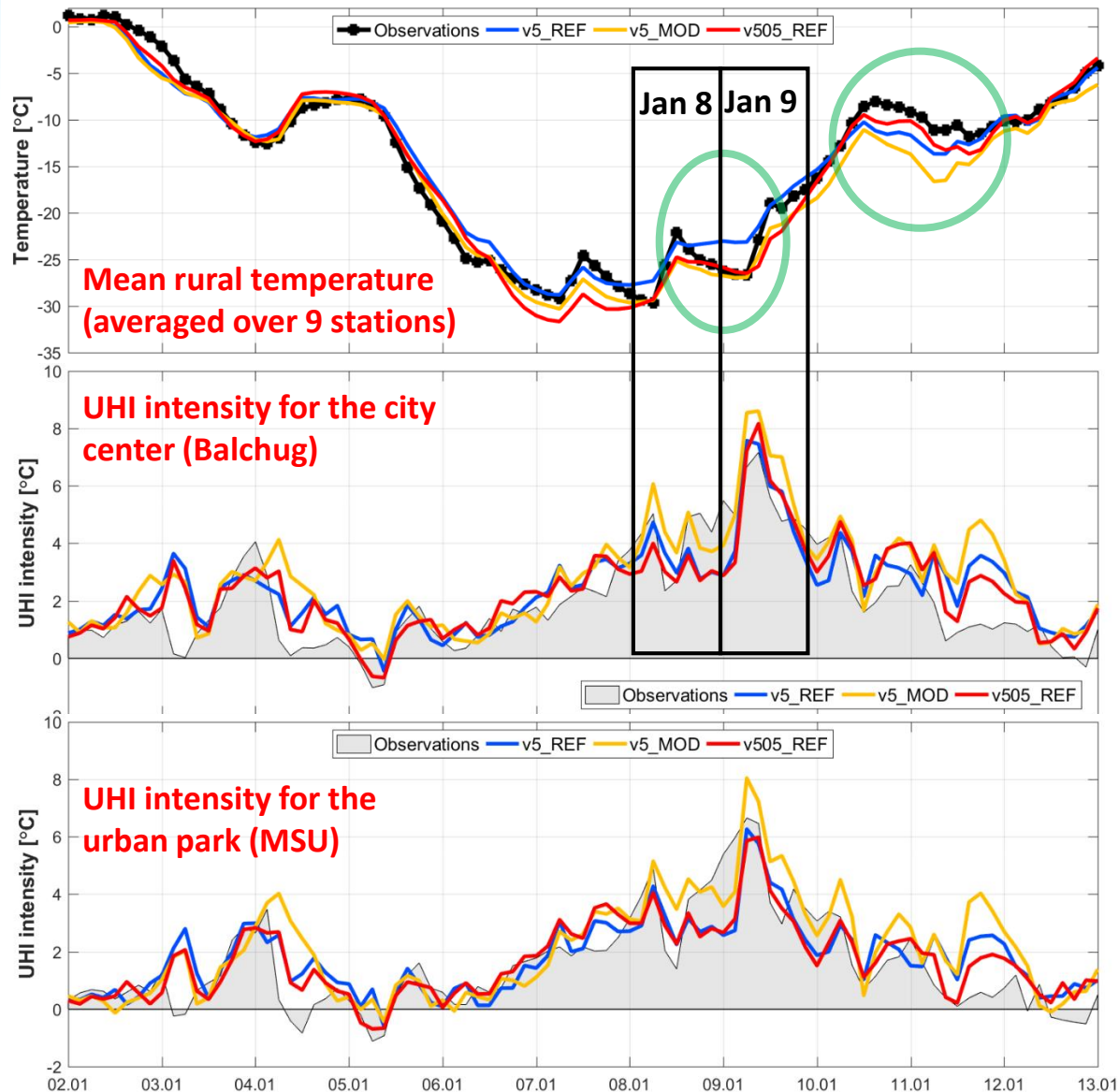
## ABL temperature stratification

Temperature profiles at 00 UTC 24.05.2014



# Model verification (case 2: Jan 2017)

## Temperature & UHI intensity dynamics



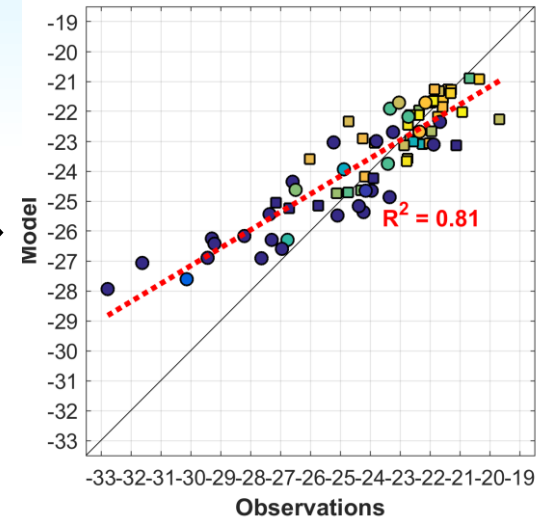
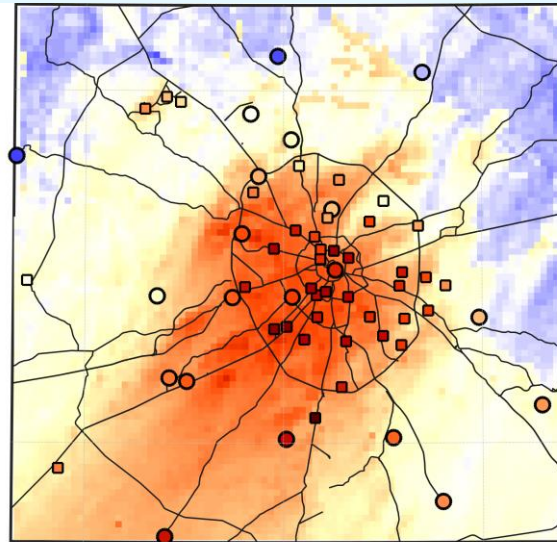
**7-9 Jan 2017 – one of the coldest periods in Moscow region in XXI century**  
( $T_{\min} = -35\text{ °C}$  in the north of the region at 9<sup>th</sup> of January)



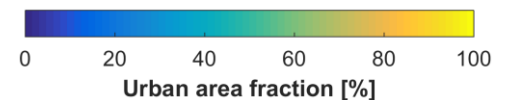
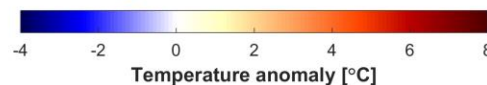
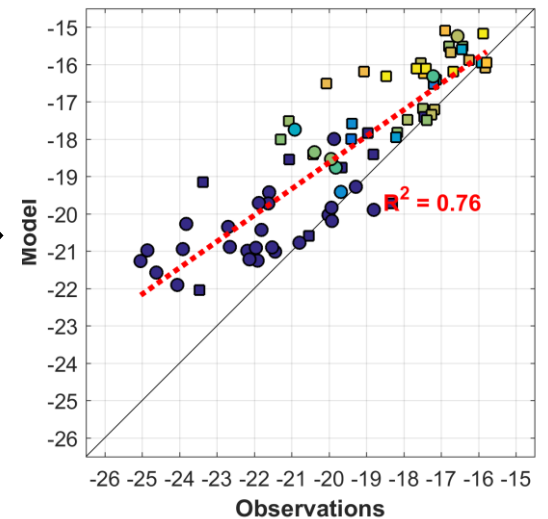
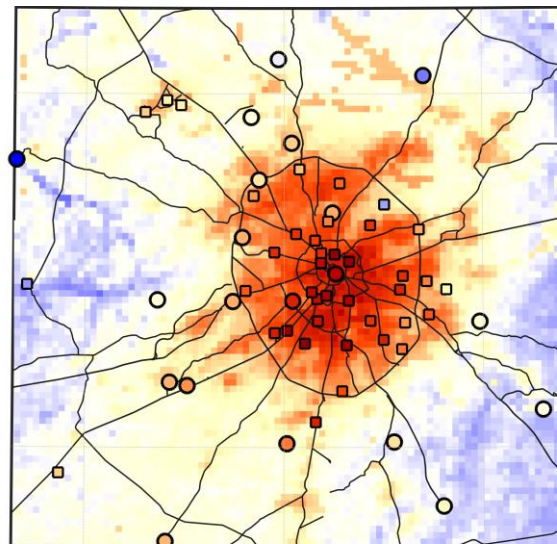
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UHI advection to SW



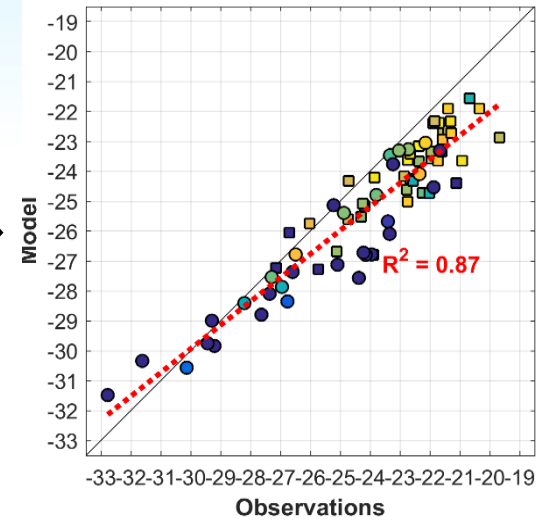
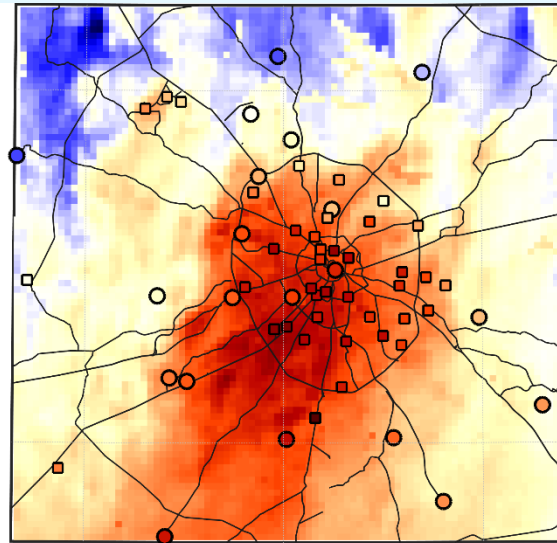
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Localized UHI



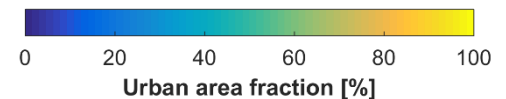
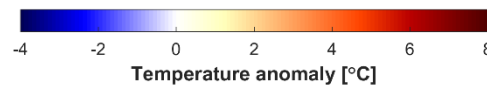
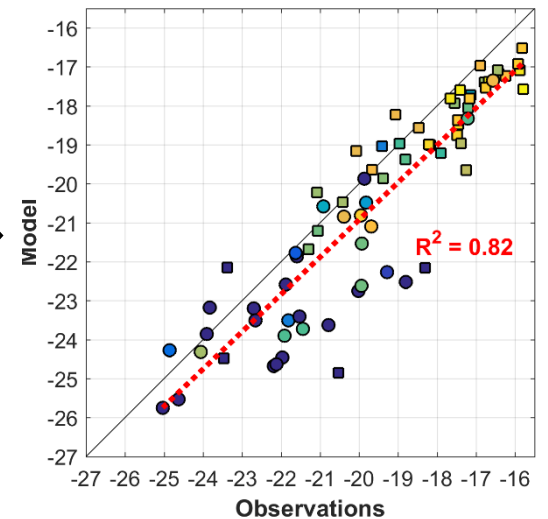
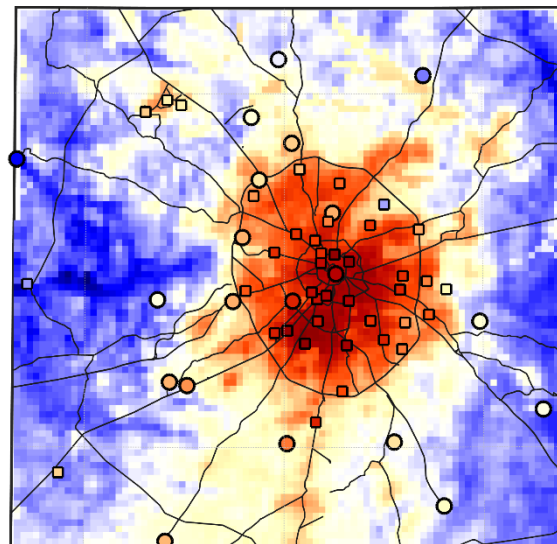
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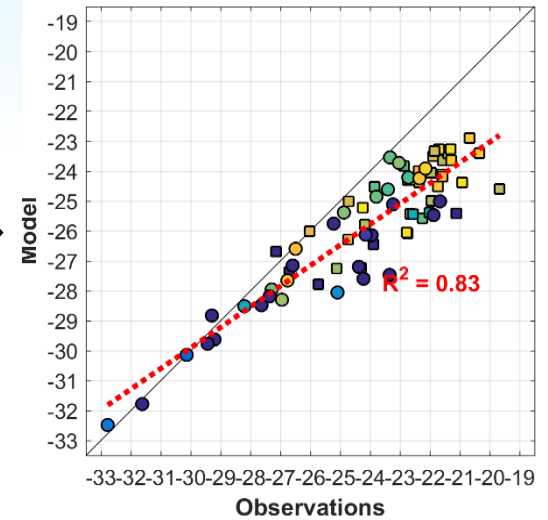
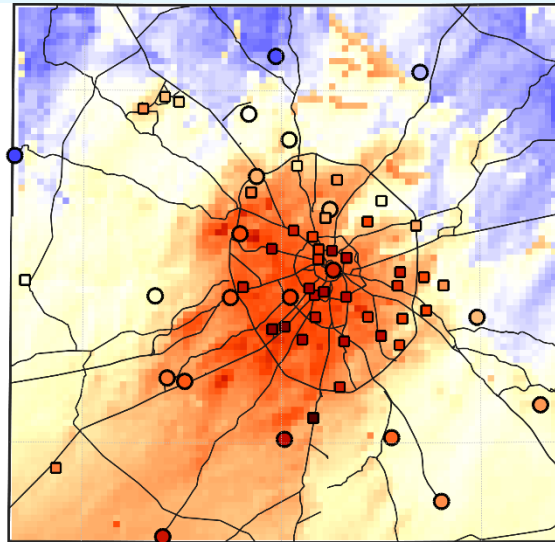
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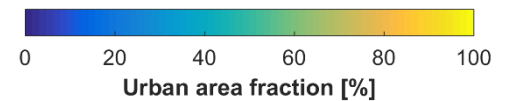
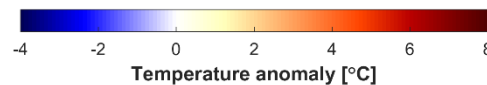
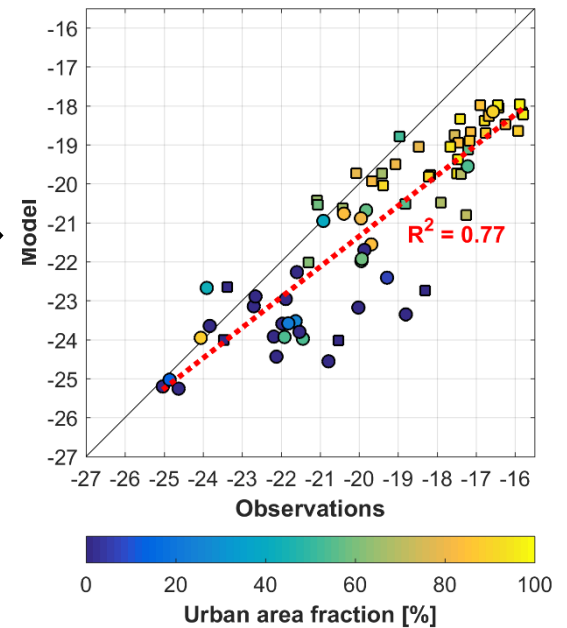
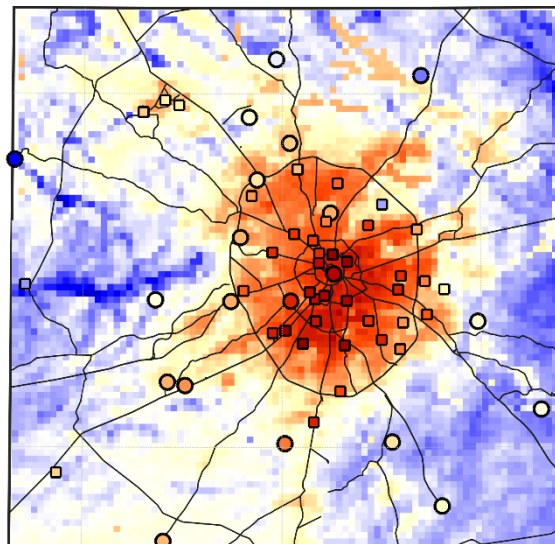
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V505\_REF

8<sup>th</sup> Jan:  
UHI advection to SW



9<sup>th</sup> Jan:  
Localized UHI

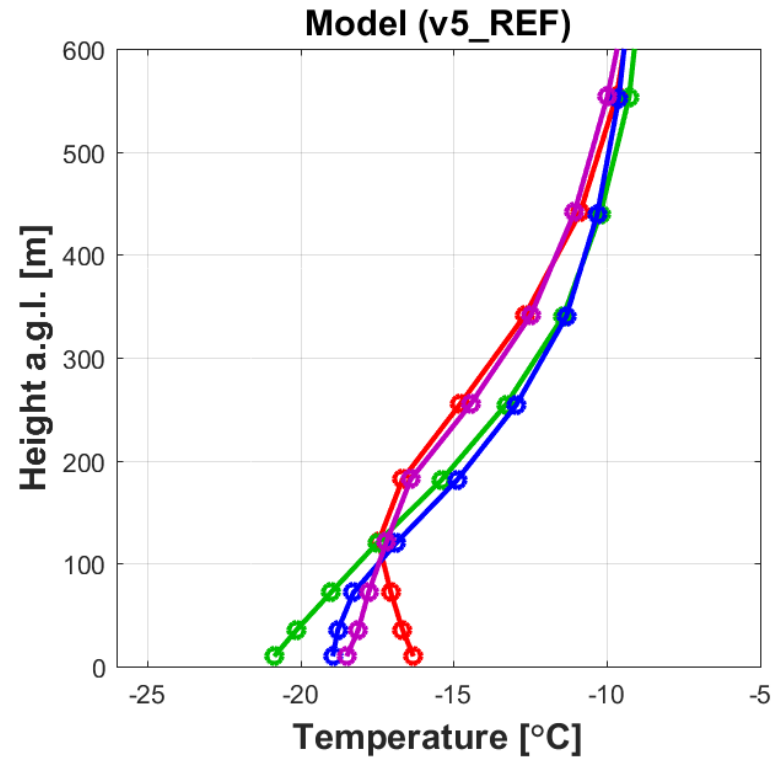
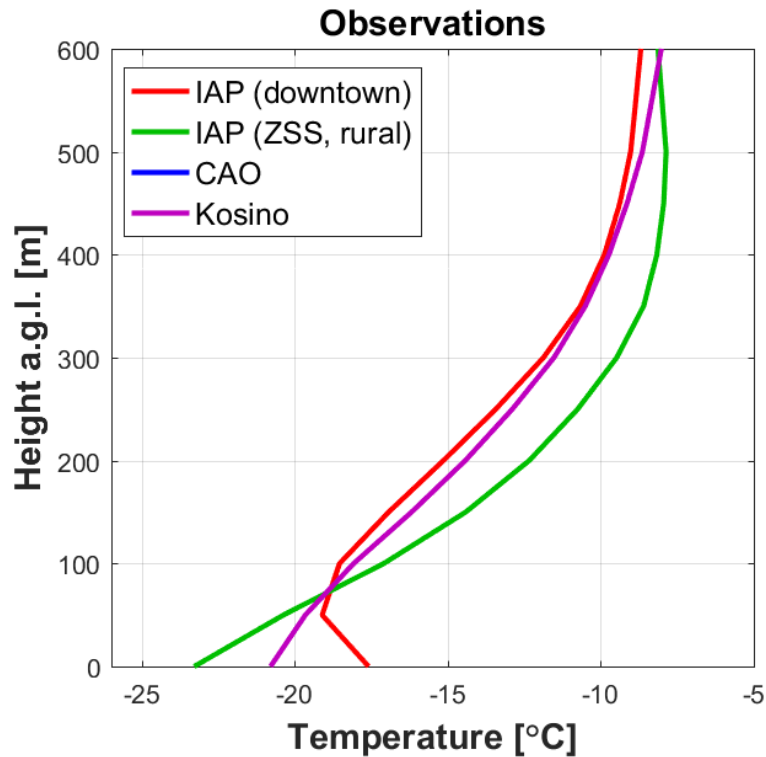




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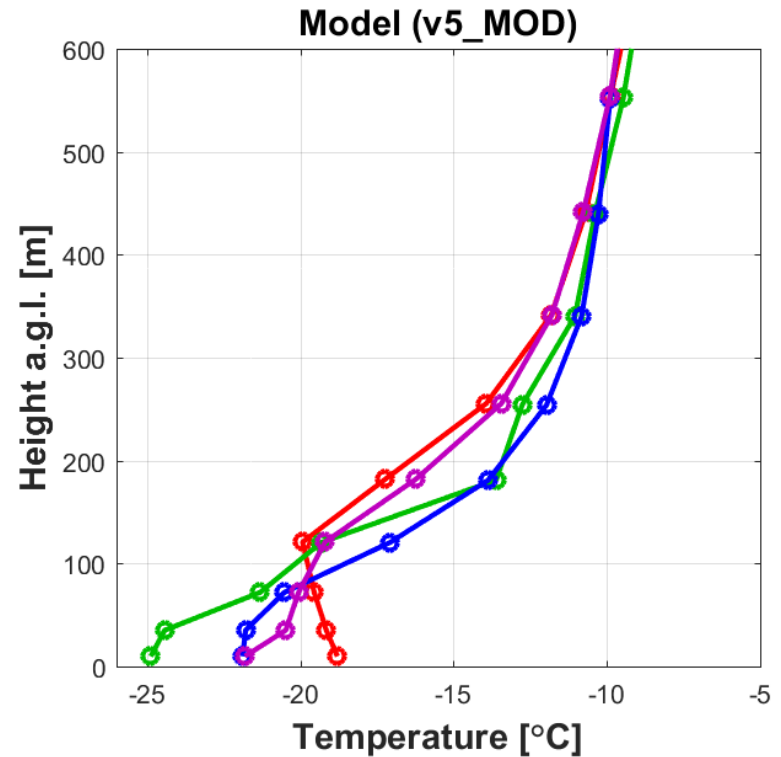
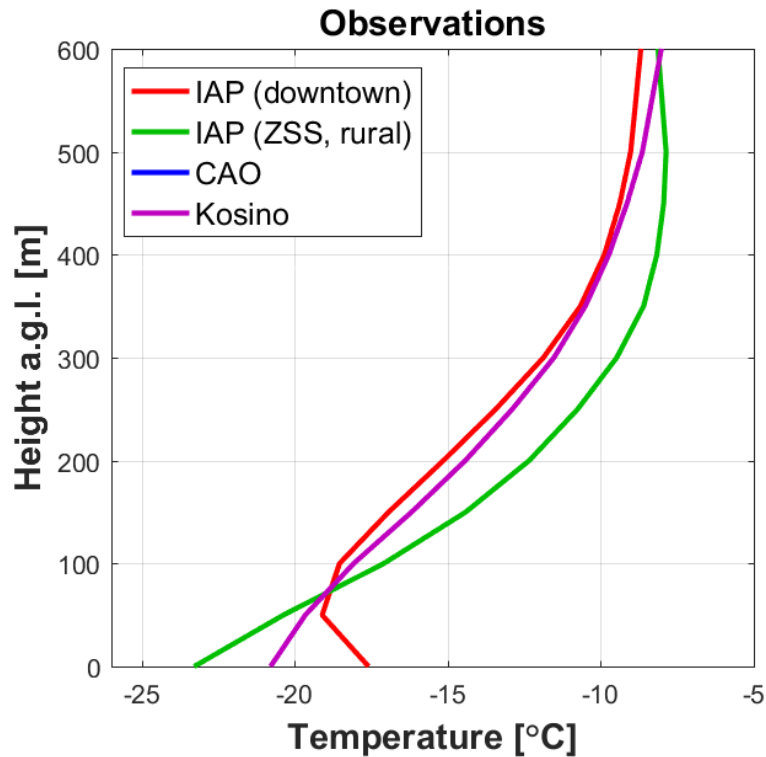
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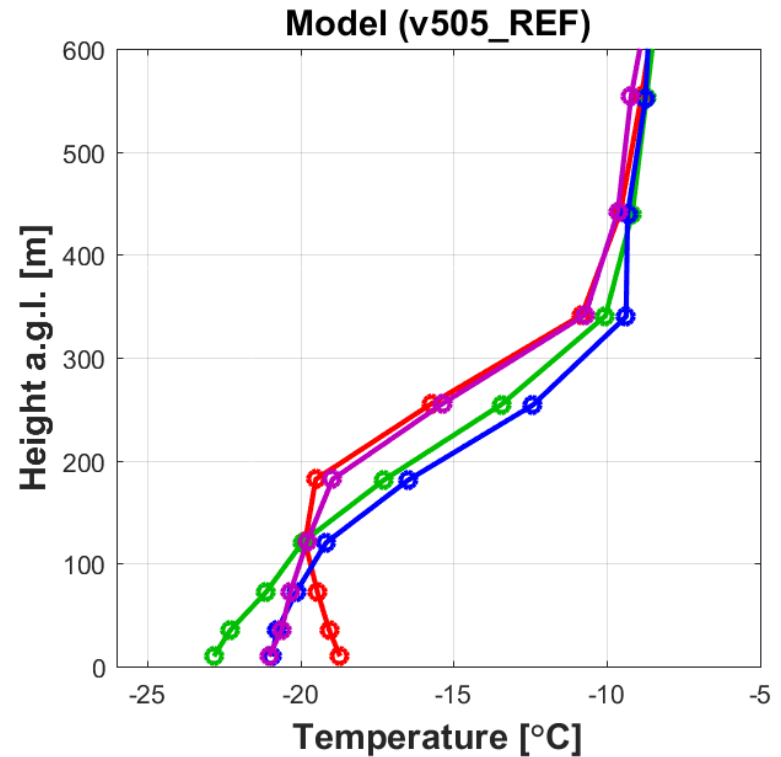
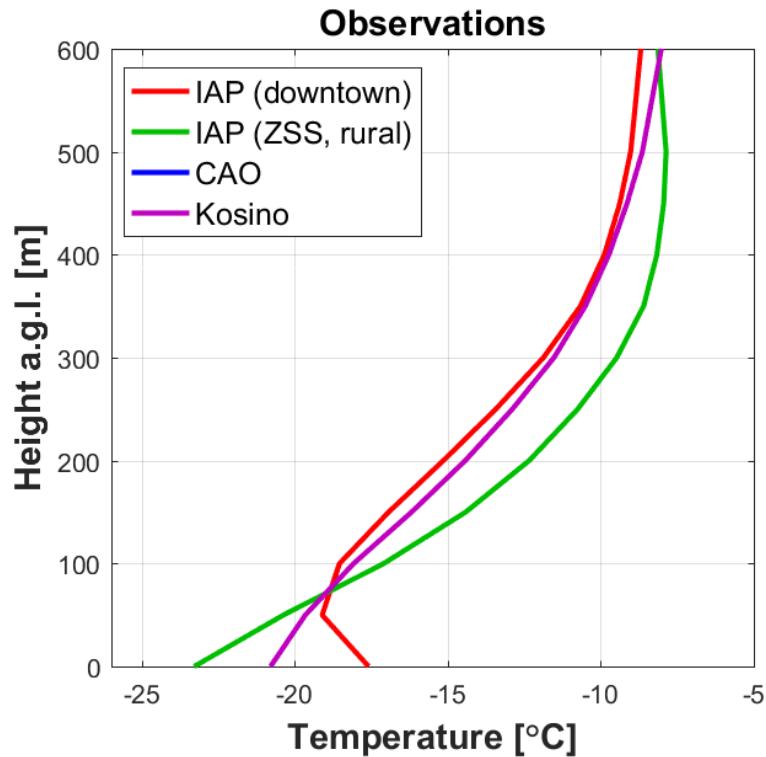
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## ABL temperature stratification

Mean profiles over 9<sup>th</sup> of January



# Conclusion

- ❑ COSMO 5.0\_and COSMO 5.05 model versions, coupled with TERRA\_URB scheme, successfully simulate the general features of the Moscow UHI for summer and winter conditions
- ❑ Model success on the UHI intensity is densely linked with model success on  $T_{\min}$  and on the ABL temperature stratification.
  - Modelling results on UHI intensity are highly sensitive to model tuning, related to surface and ABL processes (horizontal and vertical diffusion, skin-layer temperature scheme, etc.)
- ❑ COSMO 5.0 with reference settings (v5\_REF) strongly underestimate the UHI intensity, but this could be fixed by tuning (v5\_MOD)
- ❑ COSMO 5.05 with reference settings and new ICON-physics (v505\_REF) simulates the  $T_{\min}$  and UHI better than reference COSMO 5.0 run (v5\_REF), but still not perfectly.
- ❑ A lot of further research is still needed...



# Suggestions for further work

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- ❑ We really need to find and fix the existing bugs
- ❑ I suggest to separate debugging and verification activities.
- ❑ Debugging could be done with the framework of the parallel simulations, where debugging text output is added at all places where `lterra_urb` switch appears:
  - a run with the city removed ( $ISA=0$ ,  $AHF=0$ ) and **TERRA\_URB on**
  - a run with the city removed ( $ISA=0$ ,  $AHF=0$ ) and **TERRA\_URB off**
- ❑ And the same for `itype_canopy`
  - a run with the recent 5.06 model where skin-temperature scheme works OK
  - a similar run with the recent 5.05\_urb
- ❑ **What about a joint publication on the comparison between 5.0 and 5.05 model versions based on Moscow observational facilities, after we will find the bugs? (e.g. in GMD?)**



# Outlook

## Towards high resolution urban weather forecast for Moscow

- ❑ New big research project of Roshydromet “**development of a monitoring, forecasting and warning system for hazardous and adverse weather events for the city of Moscow**”, funded by Moscow city government (since 2018)
  - Aim: creation of the high-resolution NWP system for Moscow
  - Urban canopy model is needed according to a contract
  - **COSMO-RuM NWP system** is already running in a test mode (based on COSMO 5.0 + TERRA\_URB, 1 km grid step)
  
- ❑ Further research and development
  - Developing of the COSMO-RuM: incising the resolution (**1 km → 500 m**), migration to the recent model version (**v5.0 → v5.05**) and further to ICON-Lam
  - Acquisition and usage of the detailed **official** data on the land-use and building morphology
  - Further verification and calibration using existing and new observational systems

