

# Status of EXTPAR

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# Recent updates of EXTPAR

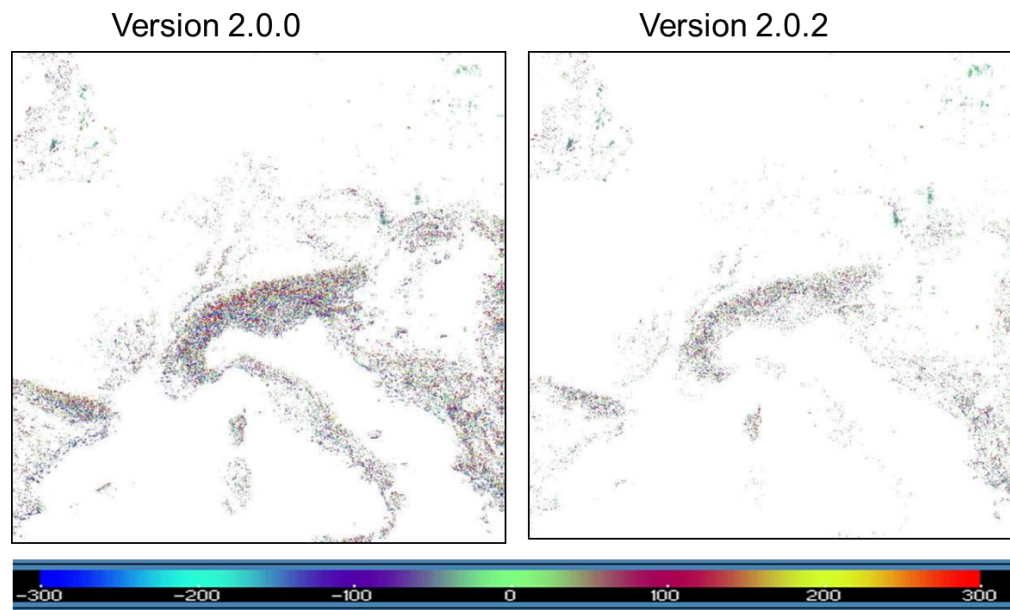
- **Version 2.0.1 (June 2014)**
  - new `itype_albedo=3` (omit calculation of NIR and UV albedo fields)
  - reduce memory needs for globcover land-use raw data
  - use of single tiles with globcover data (J. Helmert)
  - correct bugs reported by GNU compiler (B. Rockel)
- **Version 2.0.2 (August 2014)**
  - correct geolocation error in aggregation of topography data (southward shift of 30 m ASTER and 1km GLOBE)
  - added meta-data information in NetCDF output with respect to version used and filter options applied to topography
  - added namelist parameters to suppress either NetCDF or GRIB output

# Geolocation error orographic data

When is this error relevant?

- Grid resolution is same order as resolution of raw data  
ASTER (**grid res. < 150 m**)  
GLOBE (**grid res. < 5km**)
- no or only weak smoothing applied to orography

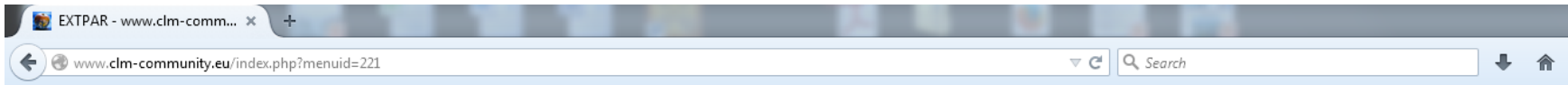
Orographic height difference ASTER–GLOBE dataset at 1km resolution



# WebPEP

- **WebPEP is a browser based frontend tool to EXTPAR**
- **WebPEP is also accessible for all COSMO Users**
- **WebPEP is set up, operated and maintained by HZG Geesthacht (B. Rockel)**
- **URL for WebPEP:**  
**<http://www.clm-community.eu/index.php?menuid=221>**
- **WebPEP uses most recent version of EXTPAR (2.0.2)**  
**It is intended to keep it in sync also in the future**

# WebPEP



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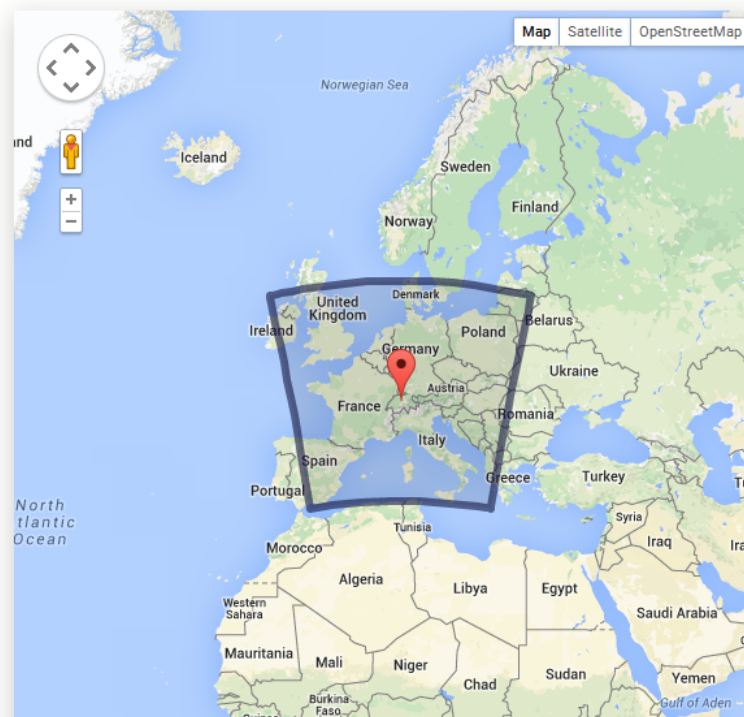
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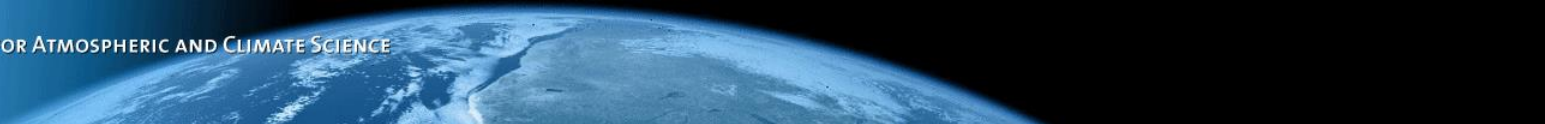
## WebPEP

Version: EXTPAR-2.0.2

### README

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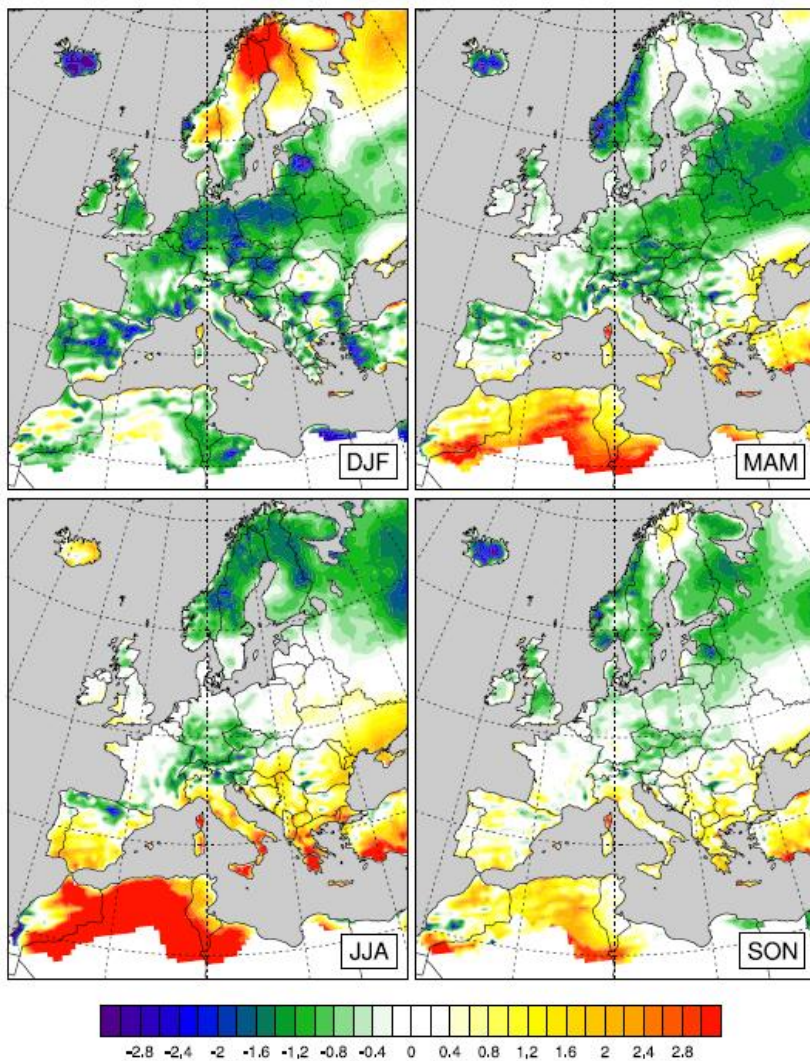
# What you need to know about WebPEP

- **WebPEP was designed with ease of use and robustness in mind**
- **WebPEP expects origin of rotated coordinates instead of north pole for domain definition**
- **Domain size of target grid limited to 2000x2000 GP**
- **ASTER only allowed for grid mesh size  $\leq 5$ km**
- **WebPEP output files only in NetCDF-Format**
- **WebPEP doesn't allow yet to specify orography filtering options: assumes filter options used for MCH COSMO-1**

## plans for future releases

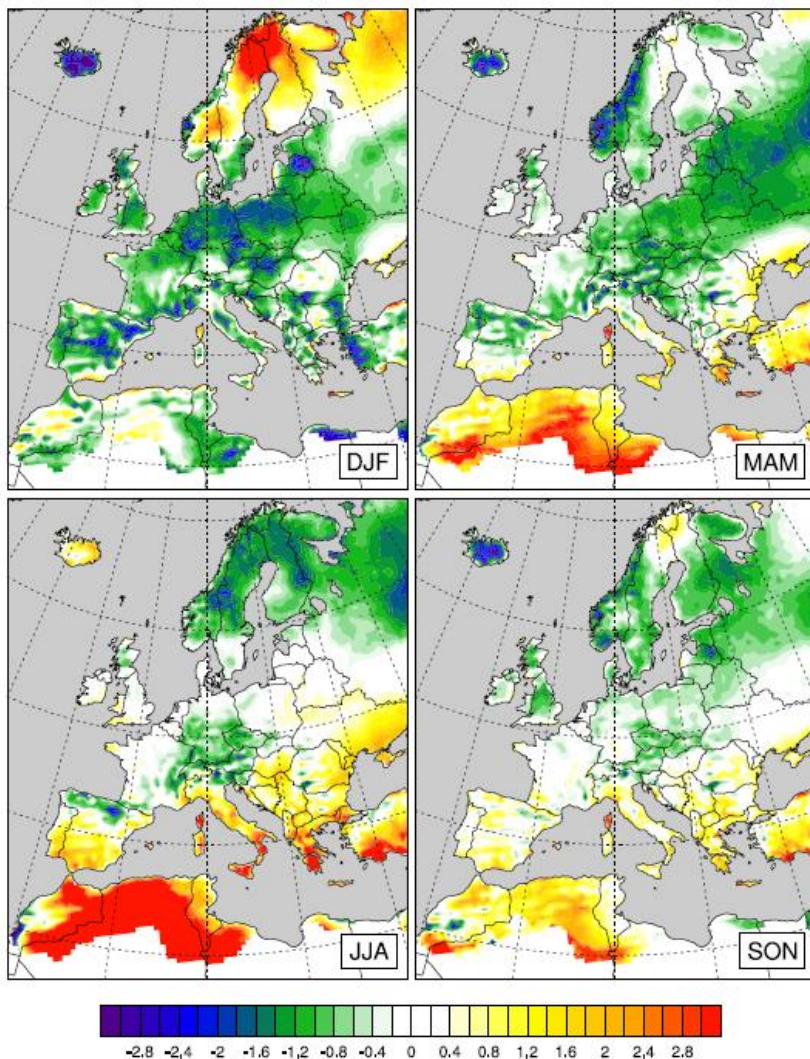
- **Version 2.0.3 (bug fix release) will include**
  - bug fixes contributed by J. Helmert with respect to albedo and NDVI data
  - bug fixes contributed by B. Rockel with respect to file system paths of raw data
  - bug fixes with respect to problems at date-line
- **Version 2.1 new features and new bug fixes**
  - Support for external parameters needed by urban model (currently under development by Hendrik Wouters)
  - support for updated lake dataset (probably version 3)

# Seasonal bias of T<sub>2M</sub> for control simulation 1981-1984





# Typical seasonal bias of T<sub>2M</sub> for control simulation 1981-1985



**Question:**  
To what extent can more accurate external data sets help to reduce bias of COSMO-CLM?

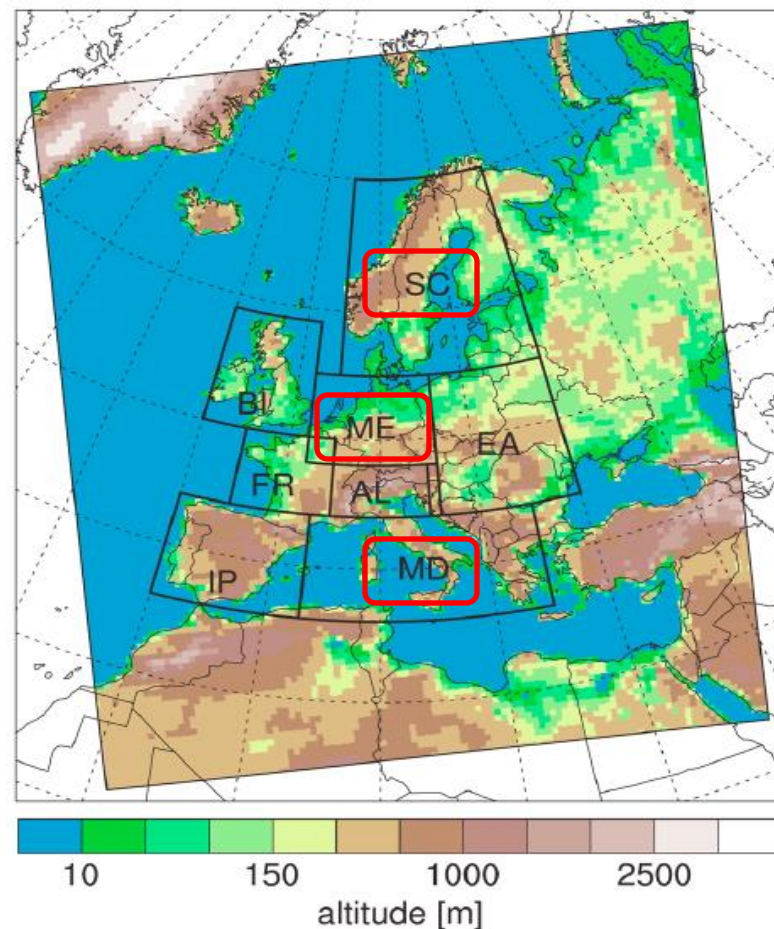
# Sensitivity experiments of European Climate to use of alternative external data sources

- **work done in collaboration with Anne Roches in the framework of the coordinated evaluation of COSMO 5 in climate mode**
- **Model version: cosmo5.0\_clm1 Resolution: 0.44 degree**
- **Initial and boundary data: reference simulation by K. Keuler**
- **Ensemble of 6 simulation with standard settings (control)**
- **11 sensitivity simulations with alternative settings related to external data sets covering years 1979-1985 used for analysis years 1981-1985**
- **Shown here only: sensitivity of 2m temperature**

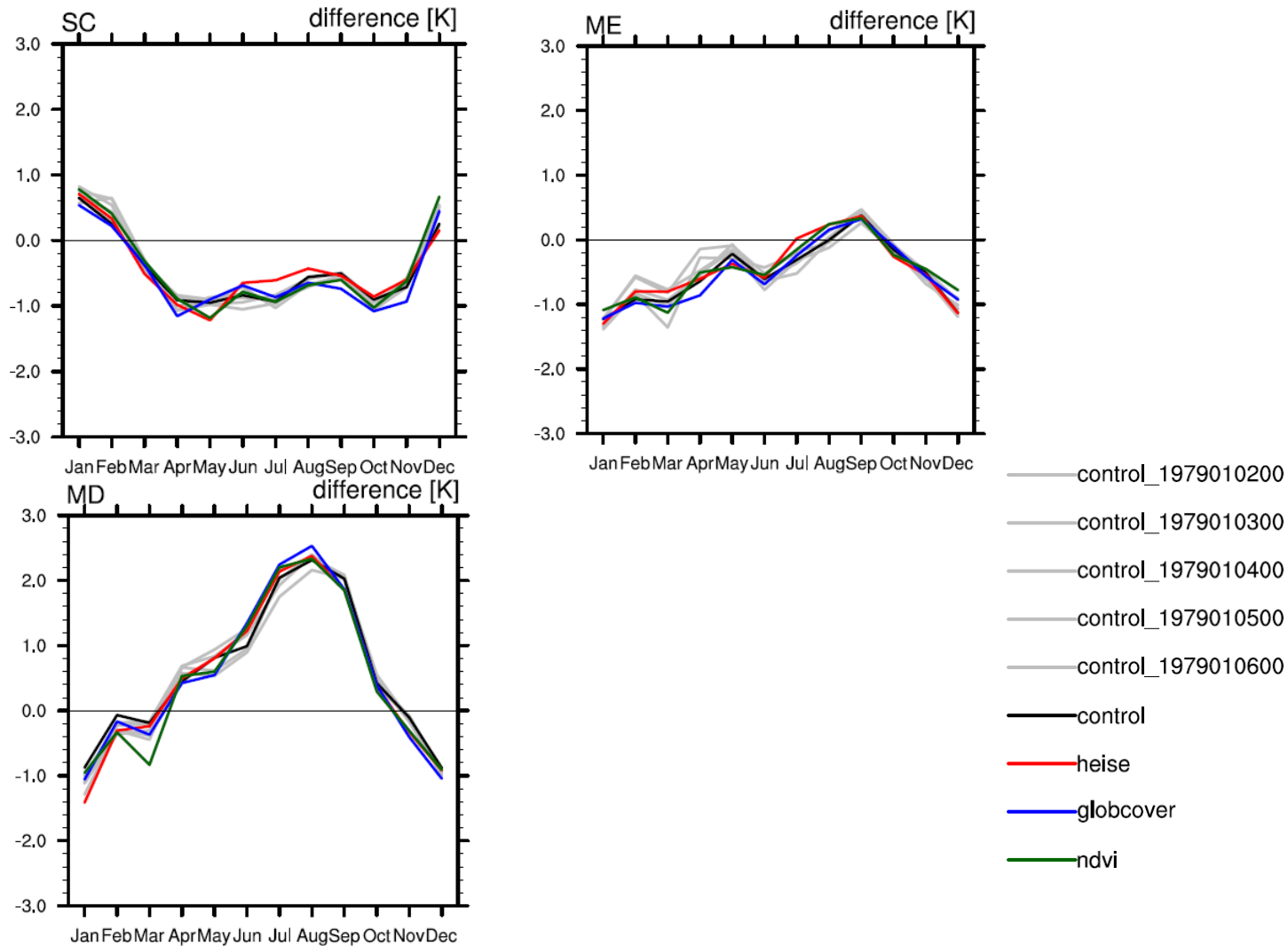
# PRUDENCE evaluation domains

Evaluation of simulation results on PRUDENCE domains:

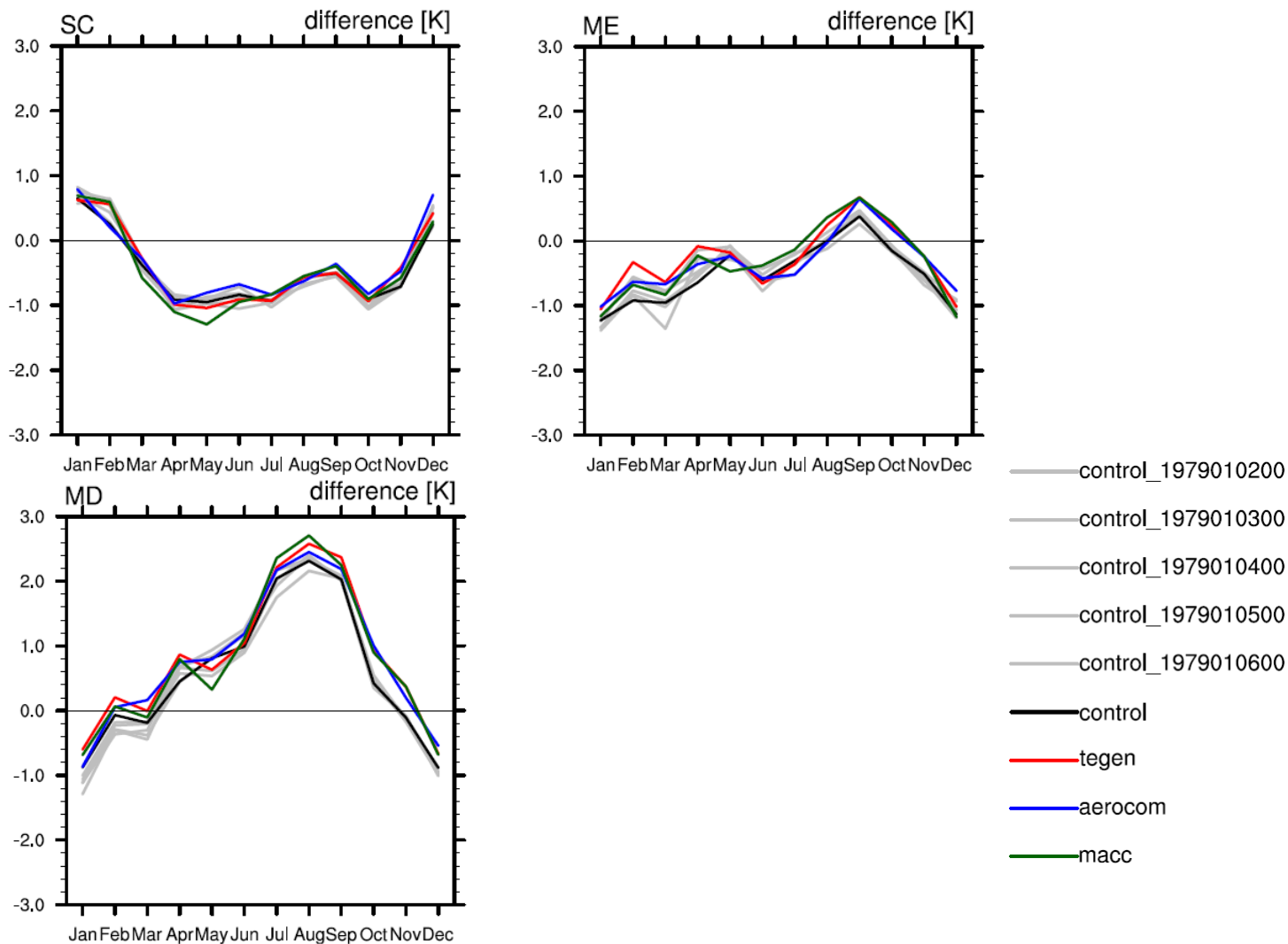
- Seasonal and monthly biases averaged over all land points of PRUDENCE domains with respect to EOBS version 10.0 gridded observation data
- Shown are only the domains depicted by the red rectangles (SC, ME, MD)
- In climate simulations we also need to consider internal variability when evaluating sensitivity experiments



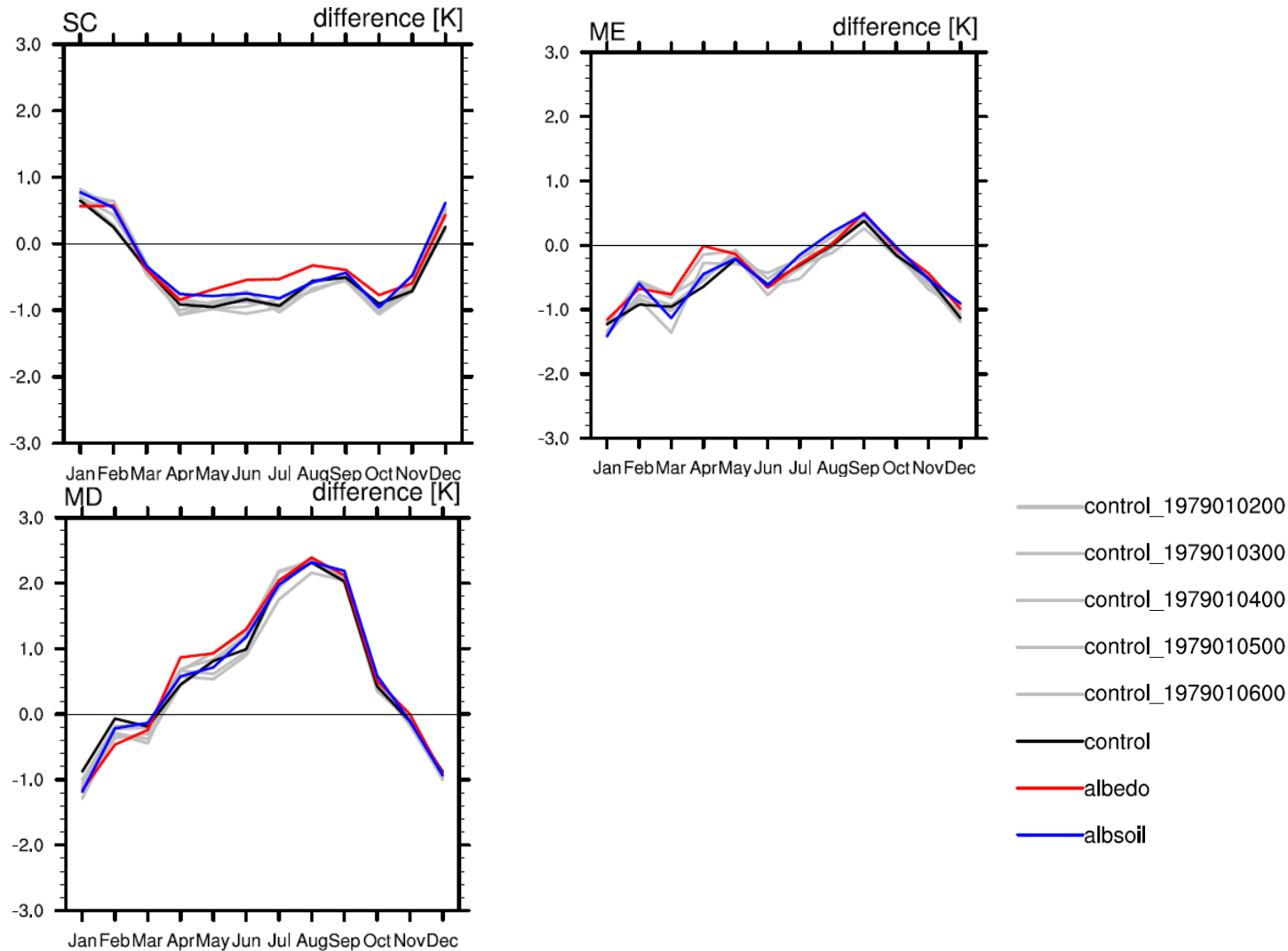
# Sensitivity T<sub>2M</sub> to land-use dataset



# Sensitivity T<sub>2M</sub> to aerosol dataset



# Sensitivity T<sub>2M</sub> to albedo dataset



## Conclusions

- **Alternative external parameter sets in general result in small modification of 2m temperature climatology**
- **Mostly they are same order as internal variability**
- **Alternative aerosol datasets lead to significant increase in autumn and winter temperatures in southern half of model domain**
- **Some alternative data sets have the potential to decrease model temperature biases in some domains by a few %**
- **Does not contradict studies showing significant improvements on local scale by use of new highres datasets**



Thank you for  
your attention!!