Report on the realization of PT CCE

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Sub-tasks:

- 1. Provision of COSMO-EULAG based on COSMO 5.05 (0.25 FTE)
- 2. Improved consistency of COSMO-EULAG (0.20 FTE)
- 3. Climate simulations with COSMO-EULAG (0.35 FTE)

Optimum version of C-E code was prepared at the end of July 2019, which prevented realization of the task 3.



1. Provision of C-E based on COSMO 5.05

1.1 Migrate code to COSMO 5.05

Done

1.2 Implement an exact restart in COSMO 5.05

Done

1.3 Perform verification for summer and winter months (1.1 & 2.2 km / 2.8 km grid, Alps / Poland, and without / with the nudging)

Mostly done (except 1.1 km simulations)

1.4 Compare results with COSMO R-K and ICON-LAM

Not done for ICON-LAM - early ICON-LAM-PL 2.5 km results available only in August 2019



2. Improved consistency of C-E

2.1 Replacement of the Bott TKE advection scheme by the MPDATA scheme Done

2.2 Implementation of the zero-gradient b.c. for precipitating fields

Done

2.3 General cleaning of the code and an improvement of the computational efficiency

Done, included revising of halo=1 code (initially implemented by Z. Piotrowski ~2015) and a revision of loop vectorization in X-direction. Around 20% speedup of the COSMO-PL-2k8 setup.

Additional work: investigating dependency of verification scores on the choice of EULAG advection procedure (MPDATA-A vs. MPDATA-M).



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Results of the experimental studies

Setup of experiments:

- The operational COSMO-2 domain used by Meteo-Swiss with 60 vertical levels (2013)
- Entire June 2013, 48-hour forecasts, VERSUS software
- Numerical and Smagorinsky diffusion are *turned off* for COSMO-EULAG



Topographical map of the domain



Station network for surface verification

Experiments:

- Replacement of the Bott TKE adv. scheme by the MPDATA-A scheme
- Exact vs. Linearized formulation of moist buoyancy
- Selection of an optimal EULAG advection scheme



Replacement of the Bott TKE adv. scheme by the MPDATA-A scheme

The verification scores of COSMO-EULAG do not alter significantly with that change.



Until now a linearized version (of an anelastic type) of the buoyancy force was used within COSMO-EULAG

$$\boldsymbol{B} = -\boldsymbol{g} \left(\theta - \theta_a\right)/\theta_a - \boldsymbol{g}(1 + q_v/\epsilon - q_t)$$

The exact form of the buoyancy force in the momentum equation of compressible EULAG is:

$$\boldsymbol{B} = -\boldsymbol{g} \left(\theta_d - \theta_a\right) / \theta_a$$

where θ_d is density potential temperature, θ_a is potential temperature of a hydrostatically balanced ambient state (to be chosen arbitrarily), and g is gravitational acceleration, while

$$\theta_d \equiv \frac{1 + q_v/\epsilon}{1 + q_t} \; \theta$$

where q_v is mixing ratio of water vapour, q_t is the sum of mixing ratios of all water species, ϵ is the ratio of gas constants for dry air and water vapour and θ is the potential temperature.



Virtually no differences in the 2m Temperature and MSLP verification scores. Minor differences in the upper-air wind verification.

Linearized moist buoyancy Exact buoyancy







Upper-air wind

Selection of an optimal adv. sch. (MPDATA-A vs. MPDATA-M)



Smolarkiewicz and Clark (JCP, 1986), Smolarkiewicz and Grabowski (JCP, 1990).



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Selection of an optimal adv. sch. (MPDATA-A vs. MPDATA-M)



For the 2-Temperature, MSLP, and 10-m Wind Sp. option A outperforms M
For the TCC A outperforms M, except only the 36-48 h for RMSE

MPDATA-A vs. MPDATA-M



- For upper-air wind speed RMSE is usually lower for A
- A provides precipitation forecasts with slightly improved frequency bias
- Additionally: in the A simulations lower vertical velocities within convective updrafts are observed (not shown)

COSMO-EULAG with the more diffusive scheme, MPDATA-A, provides forecasts having slightly better verification scores.



Setup

- The domain of COSMO-2.8-PL
- 48-long forecasts with 4-hour nudging window
- C-E version 5.05 used with the setup updated between winter and summer

Verification (HARP software)

- With COSMO R-K ver. 5.01 (operational)
- ~60 surface synoptic stations (right)
- Root Mean Square Error is shown
- 15 January till 14 February 2019
- 25 July till 24 August 2019

Computational performance of C-E

 Around 160 % of the COSMO R-K computational time





Poland – winter verification



The RMSE scores for winter are very similar.





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Poland – summer verification



- For 10-m wind speed and 2-m temperature the RMSE is slightly lower for C-E
- For MSLP the RMSE is slightly lower for C R-K

COSMO R-K ver. 5.01 COSMO-EULAG (ver. 5.05)

Summary

- 1. Consistent, optimized and extensively tested COSMO-EULAG ver. 5.05 was prepared and passed to Michael Baldauf and Uli Schaettler
- 2. The computational performance was slightly improved
- 3. The Scientific Documentation and the User Guide were revised and updated; a publication is being prepared
- 4. COSMO-EULAG works semi-operationally in IMGW-PIB since winter 2019 with nudging and with competitive verification scores
- 5. Future work may involve comparison of COSMO-EULAG and ICON-LAM for high spatial resolutions (over Poland) and with more advanced verification
- 6. Future work may also focus on computational efficiency: splitadvection (following ECMWF research) and sub-stepping for horizontal advection (similarly to the Bott scheme)

