

Assimilation versus spin-up model configurations tested with Arome-France

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Objective scores : analysis and forecast compared to radiosondes

- Analysis from the AROME RUC compared to ALADIN analysis show an important reduction of Root Mean Square Error and Bias for all parameters all over the troposphere except for the humidity field around 200 hPa
- AROME 12-h forecasts initialized with an analysis from the AROME RUC and an ALADIN analysis (spin-up mode) seem very close compared to radiosonde.



Objective scores : forecast compared to SYNOP

The same feature is observed regarding scores compared to SYNOP observations



Quantitative Precipitation Forecast scores

- QPF scores for different thresholds for the total rain forecast between 0- and 12-h compared to raingauge measurements for November 2007. With AROME analysis :
 - 20 % increase of POD for all thresholds
 - 2% increase of FAR except for the threshold 15mm



Precipitating event, October 5th 2007



Fog event, February 7th 2008



- AROME low cloud cover at 9 UTC
- Fog is not simulated in spin-up mode

assimilation

