

LAM-EPS developments in COSMO

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COSMO-LEPS

Ranked Probability Skill Score (RPSS) 12h precipitation - whole domain

RPSS; 6M running mean; 12h cumulated precipitation





COSMO-LEPS



Time series of Ranked Probability Skill Score maximum values (boxes 1.0 X 1.0) – 18-42h

COSMO-LEPS 16 members ECMWF ENS 51 members





- Seasonal cycles of the scores; worse performance in winters, possibly related to the presence of snow (some stations are not heated).
- ECMWF-EPS had initially higher scores; then, COSMO-LEPS has had higher scores than ECMWF-EPS since 2013 despite the lower ensemble size

18-42h

Development of CP ensemble systems in COSMO

COSMO-DE-EPS, DWD -> operational since 2012





COSMO-E, MCH -> under development

COSMO-RU2-EPS, RHM -> running during the Sochi Olympics





COSMO-IT-EPS, IT -> under development

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SPPT spread / error: QV, 19e111-19e110



k-level

0

lead-time [h]

COSMO-E - SPPT

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Brier Skill Score for 12h precip, > 5mm/12h, Aug

precip > 5mm/12h (20120726 - 20120825)



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COSMO-DE-EPS

± half the difference between C-EU and C-DE soil moisture in all layers but the lowest





COSMO-DE-EPS

Perturbation of soil moisture



DWD

6



Soil perturbation: pattern generator

L(0.5) is defined as the distance at which the correlation function falls to 0.5. The value of L(0.5) has to be set in the configuration file to determine λ .



-0.05-0.04-0.03-0.02-0.01 0 0.01 0.02 0.03 0.04 0.05



Soil perturbation: sensitivity case study: 29/06/2011





Spread w.r.t. COSMO-LEPS - 2m Temperature



T 2m std [K] 30JUN2011 15UTC



W_SO pert. - F_{max surf} = 0.08 m³ m⁻³, L(0.5) = 125 km T 2m std [K] 29JUN2011 15UTC



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COSMO-E 12 precipitation - Brier Skill Score (BSS)



COSMO-E

COSMO-LEPS



- 2.2 km mesh-size, 60 vertical levels
- 21 members, forecasts up to +120h
- LBC: IFS-ENS (members 0-20)
- model errors: Stochastic Perturbation of Physical Tendencies (SPPT)
- 2 months



COSMO-H2-EPS

6h precipitation – Brier Skill Score

COSMO-H2-EPS COSMO-LEPS

1mm/6h

10mm/6h



- 2.8 km mesh-size, 50 vertical levels
- 10 members
- IC/LBC: IFS-ENS
- model errors: perturbed parameters
- 2 months





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Role of spatial resolution for ensemble forecasts

COSMO-S14-EPS (7km grid spacing) vs COSMO-RU2-EPS (2.2 km grid spacing)

T2m ensemble mean Verification Period: 15.1.2014-15.3.2014

Station	BIAS (for 6/12/18hr lead time)		Mean Absolute Error (for 6/12/18hr lead time)	
	COSMO-S14-EPS	COSMO-RU2-EPS	COSMO-S14-EPS	COSMO-RU2-EPS
Sledge (~700m)	-1.3 / -2.0/ -1.4	0.2 / -1.9 / -0.1	1.6 / 2.2 / 1.6	1.4 / 3.5 / 1.7
Freestyle (~1000m)	-2.0 / -1.8 / -1.9	0.3 / -0.7 / 0.0	2.1/2.0/2.1	1.6 / 2.4 / 1.7
Biathlon Stadium (~1500m)	-1.4 / -1.3 / -1.4	0.9 / 0.0 / 0.5	2.0 / 1.8 / 2.1	2.1 / 2.6 / 2.3
Mountain Skiing(start) (~2000m)	1.6 / 2.2 / 1.6	0.6 / 0.2 / 0.1	2.8/3.1/2.8	2.1 / 2.2 / 2.6

Green – better for all lead times

• T2m: Some positive effect of downscaling from 7 to 2 km resolution

Wind Speed: No positive effect of dynamical downscaling was found





Hi-res ensemble forecasts: better pdfs, higher variability but poorer ensemble mean scores

EPS verification with VERSUS package

- an effort is being made in the Consortium for bringing the EPS verification tool implemented in VERSUS operationally efficient, through coordinated testing and feed-back to the developers
- objective verification of ensemble system(s) is heavy!
 - varying ensemble size
 - large number of stations, O(10³)
 - several variables
 - intercomparisons



Future work

- maintenance and "light" development of COSMO-LEPS
- test of KENDA-derived IC perturbations
- test soil perturbations in ensemble mode, in combination with IC/BC and physics perturbations
- consolidate EPS (spatial) verification