

*Regional Cooperation for
Limited Area Modeling in Central Europe*



RC LACE developments in 2018

Martina Tudor, RC LACE MG and many researchers



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Who? What?

NMSs of Austria, Croatia, Czech Republic,

Hungary, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia

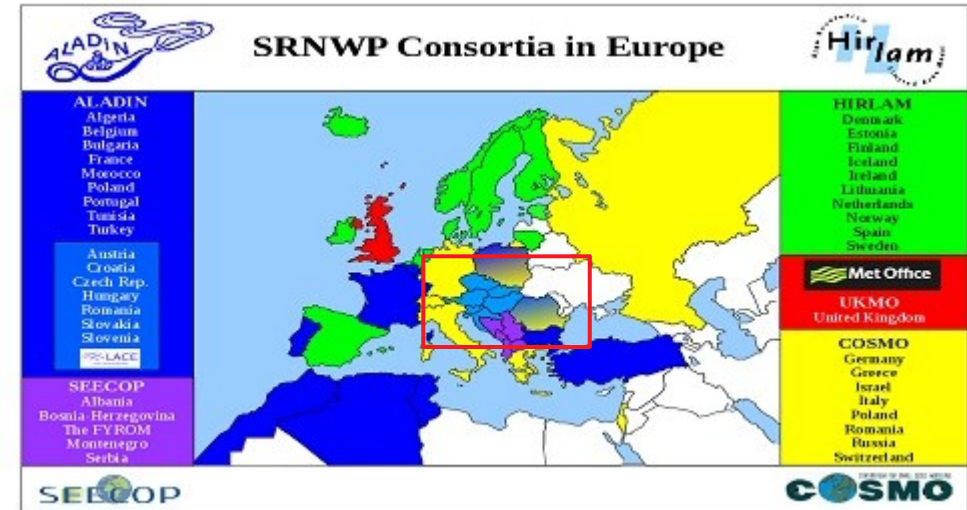
- common operational applications

LAEF – limited area ensemble forecasting system

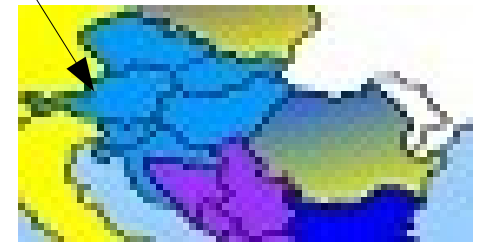
OPLACE – observation pre-processing for LACE

- common research activities

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Organisational changes

Project Manager: Martina Tudor 

Area Leaders:

- Data assimilation (upper air and surface): Antonín Bučánek 
- Dynamics and coupling: Petra Smolíková
- Physics (and surface parametrizations): Neva Pristov 
- Predictability: Martin Belluš 

Data Manager: Alena Trojáková

ALADIN-LACE System Coordinator: Oldřich Španiel



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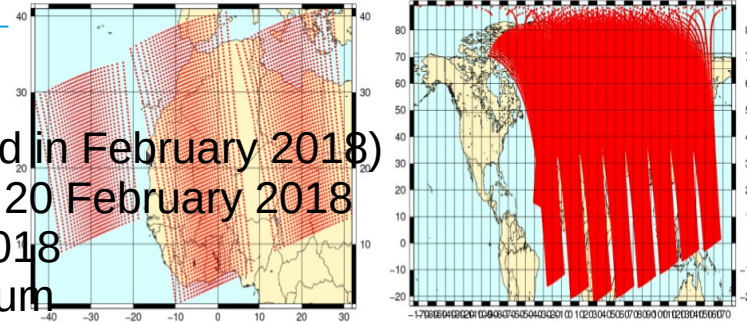


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Data Manager activities

OPLACE Maintenance

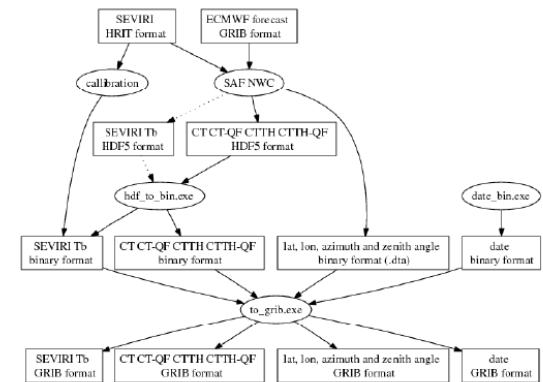
- ATOVS data handling corrections for Metop-A (lack of data fixed in February 2018)
- new EUMETSAT prime spacecraft Meteosat-11 (MSG-4) since 20 February 2018
 - parallel data provision from Meteosat-10/11 till 6 March 2018
 - information and guidelines provided on the RC LACE Forum



- coastal winds observations over the oceans from Advanced SCATterometer (ASCAT)
 - new observations implemented in 26 March 2018, 12.5km resolution, validated (B. Strajnar)

- corrections for TEMP data processing
 - adaptation to merge as much BUFR & ASCII as possible

- technical upgrade for SEVIRI
 - GRIB replaced by netCDF, simpler product generation
 - easier porting & more flexible for testing new NWC SAF versions
 - courtesy of CMS Lanion



Data Manager activities II

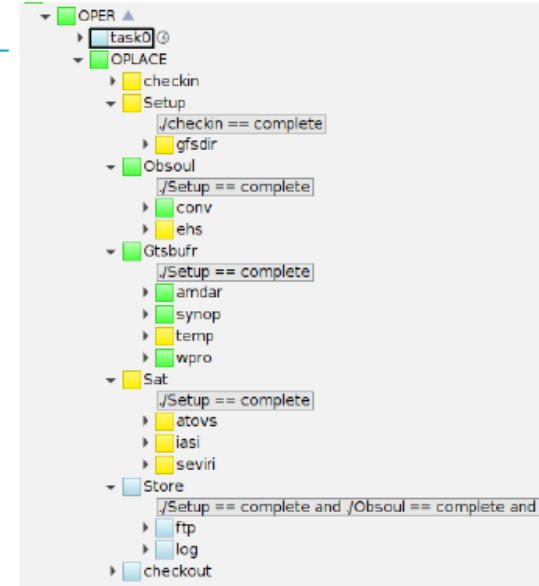
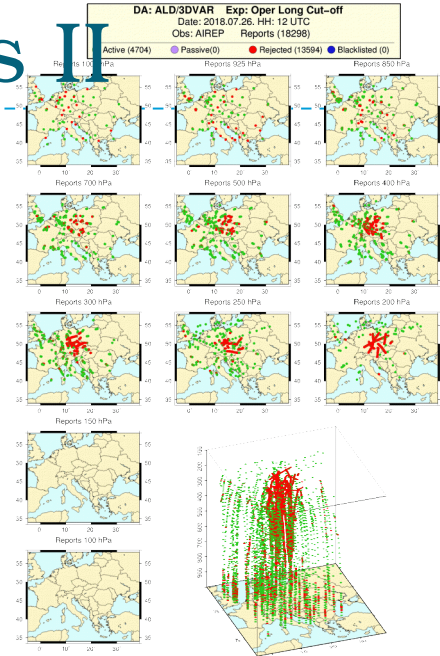
OPLACE Development

- **redesign of the OPLACE scripts**

- more and more data is processed
- complexity of the system is growing
- aim is to improve the operations
 - parallelization using ecFlow scheduler
 - more robust to avoid data issues
 - easier monitoring & supervision



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- **TAC2BUFR migration**

- first prototype of BUFR SYNOP & AMDAR data processing in OPLACE test suite
- further testing & the redesign is needed before operational implementation to avoid delays in OPLACE data provision
- pre-processing of BUFR SHIP&BUOY data
- evaluation of BATOR handling of SHIP&BUOY in collaboration with M. Monteiro



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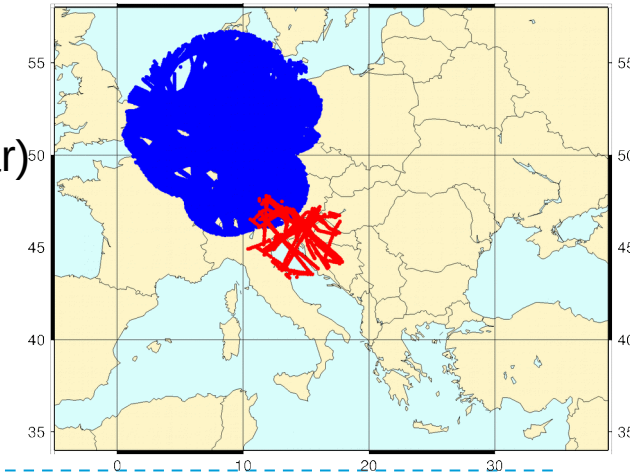
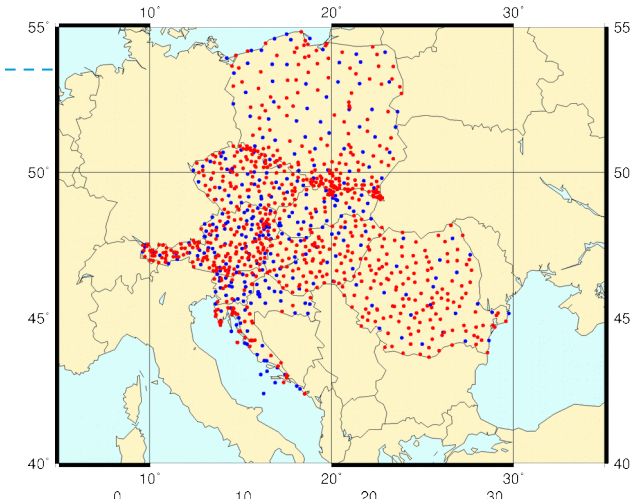
Data Manager activities III

OPLACE national data exchange and access

- high resolution surface synoptic data exchange
 - stable and reliable for operational use
 - only minor updates
 - high resolution aircraft data exchange from modern air surveillance systems
 - Mode-S MRAR from ARSO/Slovenia
 - Mode-S EHS from KNMI/Netherlands
 - stable and reliable data provision
 - extension by Mode-S MRAR from the Czech Republic - ongoing
 - Mode-S EHS from Slovenia and the Czech Republic - ongoing
 - negotiation with KNMI about processing our data started (B. Strajnar)
 - All Members explore availability of Mode-S data.
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- **OPLACE access for non-LACE countries**
 - currently two non-LACE users (Tunisia, Poland)
 - LACE Council agreed to mitigate requirements to one month



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Data Manager activities IV

ODB support

- **support with configuration and usage of DA configurations provided**
 - update of simple DA scripts for cy43t2 is planned for autumn

- **ALADIN data assimilation starters kit (DAsKIT)**

- ALADIN coordinated activities to enhance implementation for ALADIN Members without operational DA, (Al, Be, Bu, Mo, Po, Pt, Ro, Tu, Tk)
- considerable manpower (cca 10 FTE) is being gathered for DA R&D
- opportunity for RC LACE support & to gain permanently missing manpower
- RC LACE collaborations and tools were promoted
- common meeting LACE DA WD and DAsKIT WD organized in Bucharest



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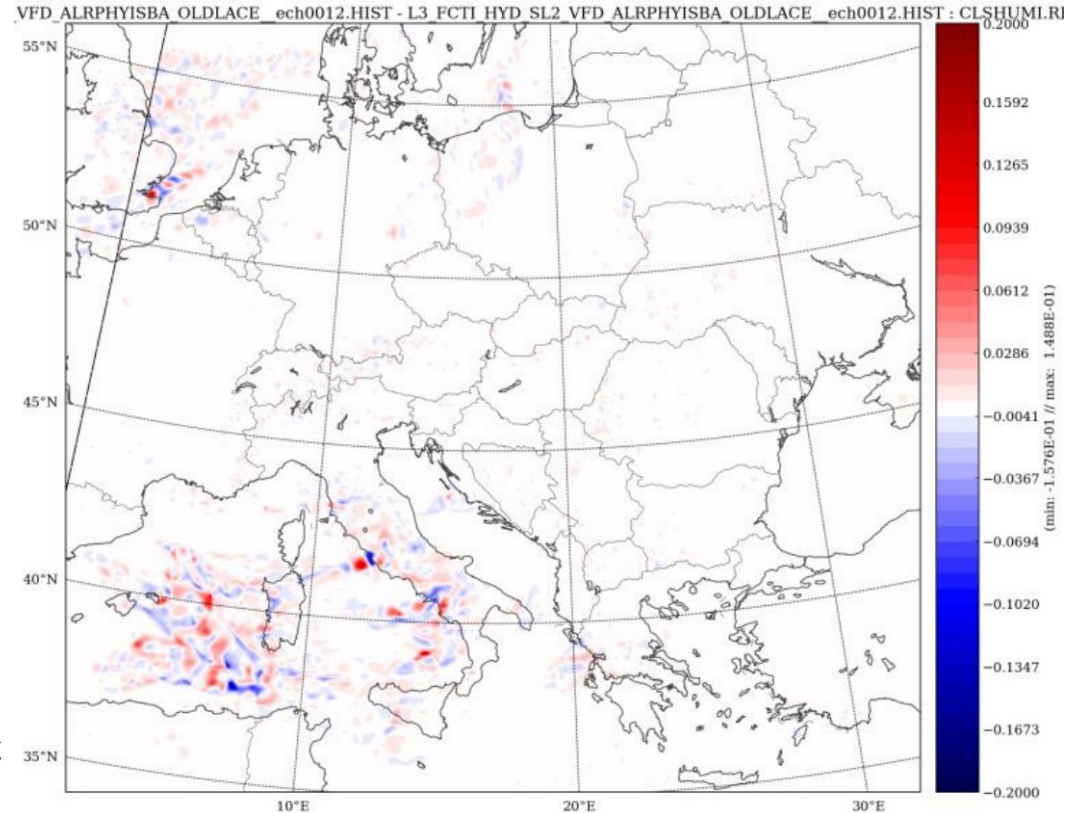
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ALADIN-LACE System Coordinator

- **Phasing of common ALADIN cy46 and cy46t1**
 - graupel problem when using – fast-transcendentals in compilation of several phy routines
 - misplaced IF LGRAPRO switch
- **Technical preparation of cy43t2 export version and porting support**
- **Production of common verification scores from LACE Members operational model outputs**
- **Administration and maintenance of the RC LACE web site and forum**



Differences in 2m relative humidity after 12 hours of integration



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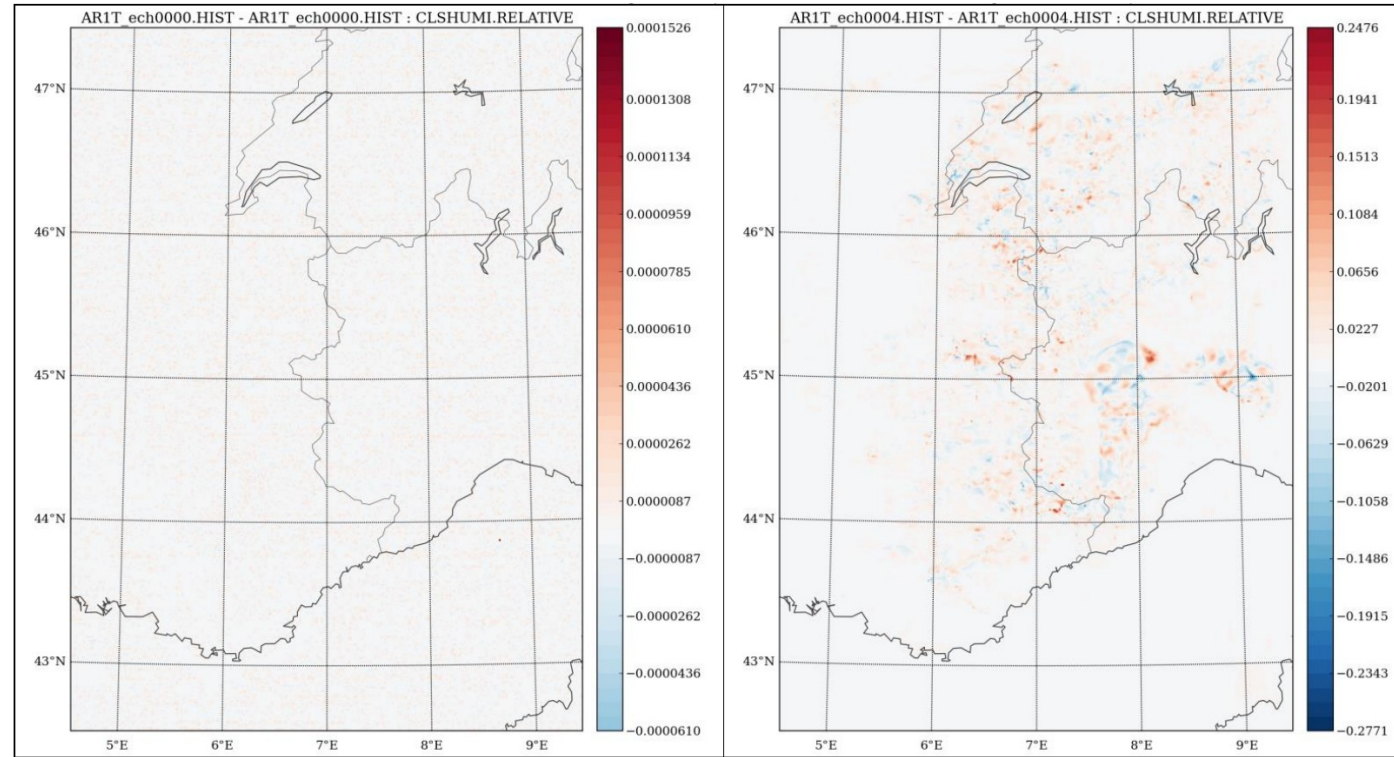
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ALADIN-LACE System Coordinator II

- test single precision in cy43t2_bf06
 - one mitraille test, AROME with CheapPCiter
 - single precision needs 40% less time
 - comparison of meteorological fields at initial time and 4 h forecast

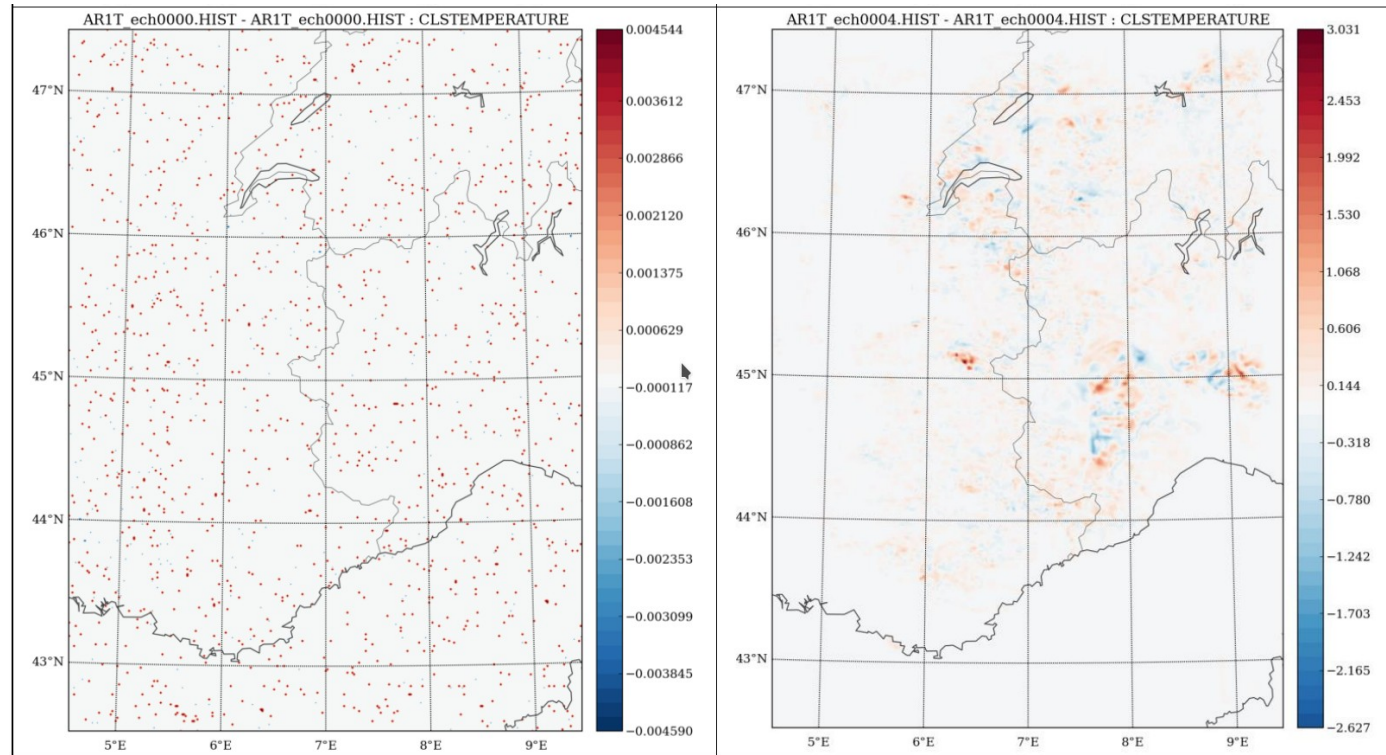


Differences in AROME 2m relative humidity in the initial file (left) and after 4 hours of integration (right).



ALADIN-LACE System Coordinator III

- test single precision in cy43t2_bf06
- one mitraille test, AROME with CheapPCiter
- in the beginning the differences are random and negligibly small
- after 4 hour forecast, temperature and humidity show a clear signal in differences



Differences in AROME 2m **temperature** in the initial file (left) and after 4 hours of integration (right).



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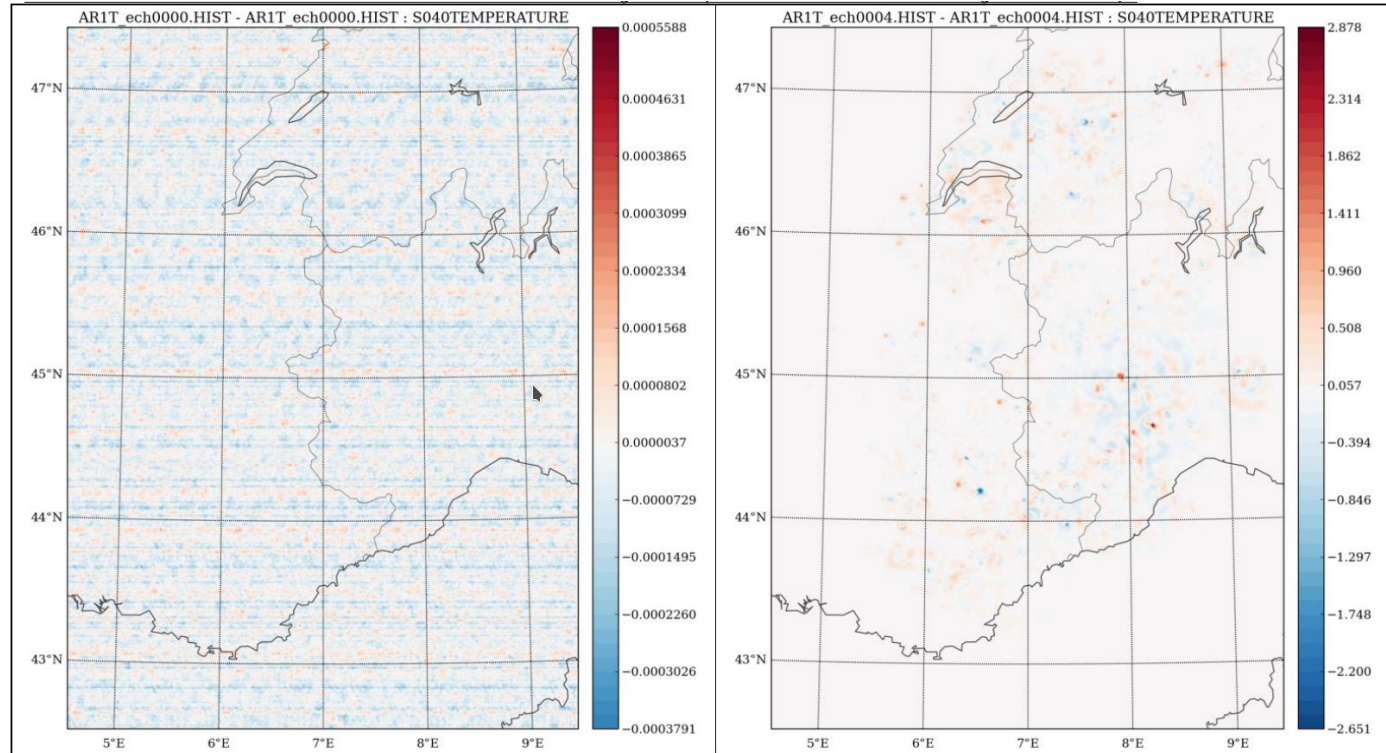
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ALADIN-LACE System Coordinator IV

- plans
 - adiabatic runs, switching off different model components, trying to diagnose where the differences come from
 - ALARO physics



Differences in AROME S40 temperature in the initial file (left) and after 4 hours of integration (right).



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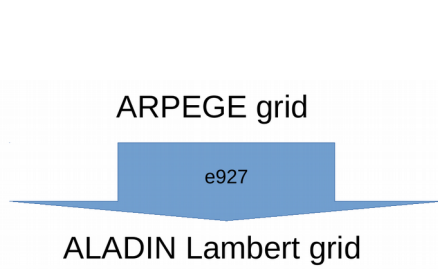


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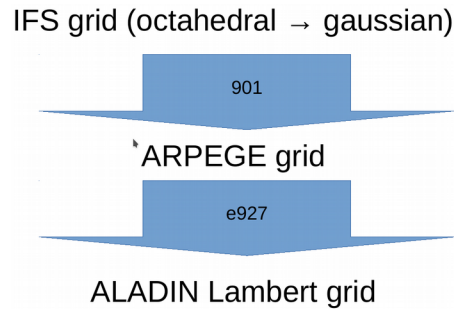


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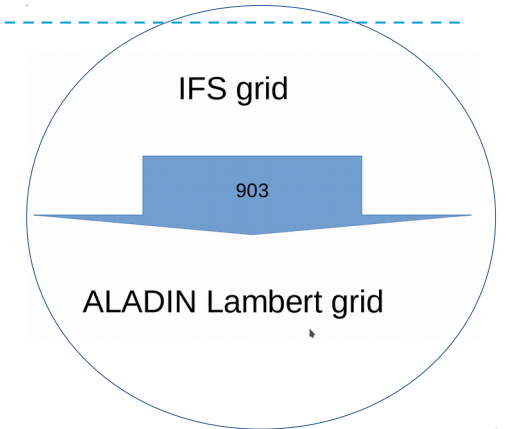
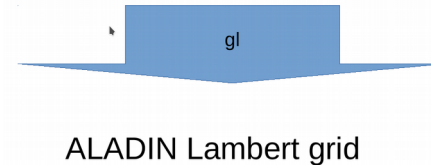
Operational LACE LBCs from IFS



Currently



IFS grid (octahedral → latlon)



ARPEGE: 8 km resolution, 105 levels

IFS: 15.4 km resolution, 60 levels

LBCs are on a quadratic grid

IFS HRES LBCs use a combination of configurations 901 and e927, but 901 requires data on reduced GG for input

IFS ENS LBCs use gl (and e927 for vertical interpolations)

Configuration 903 is working!
Thank you Ryad El Khatib!
Testing under way



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Data assimilation area

Operational implementation of full data assimilation systems

- combined upper air and surface data assimilation in all countries

(Two-)hourly updated data assimilation systems - AROME 1.2 km in At

Background error statistics in 3DVar - ensemble based B matrix (Sk, Cr)

Surface data assimilation using extended Kalman filter (At, Sk)

Radiance observations in DA systems

- a new configuration of VarBC suitable for LAM

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Radar reflectivity and radial wind

- back-phased BATOR, quality check OPERA, homogenisation pre-processor

Assimilation of GNSS path delays and Mode-S observations

See presentation by Antonín Bučánek on Tuesday 15:00!

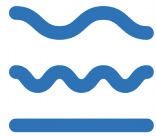


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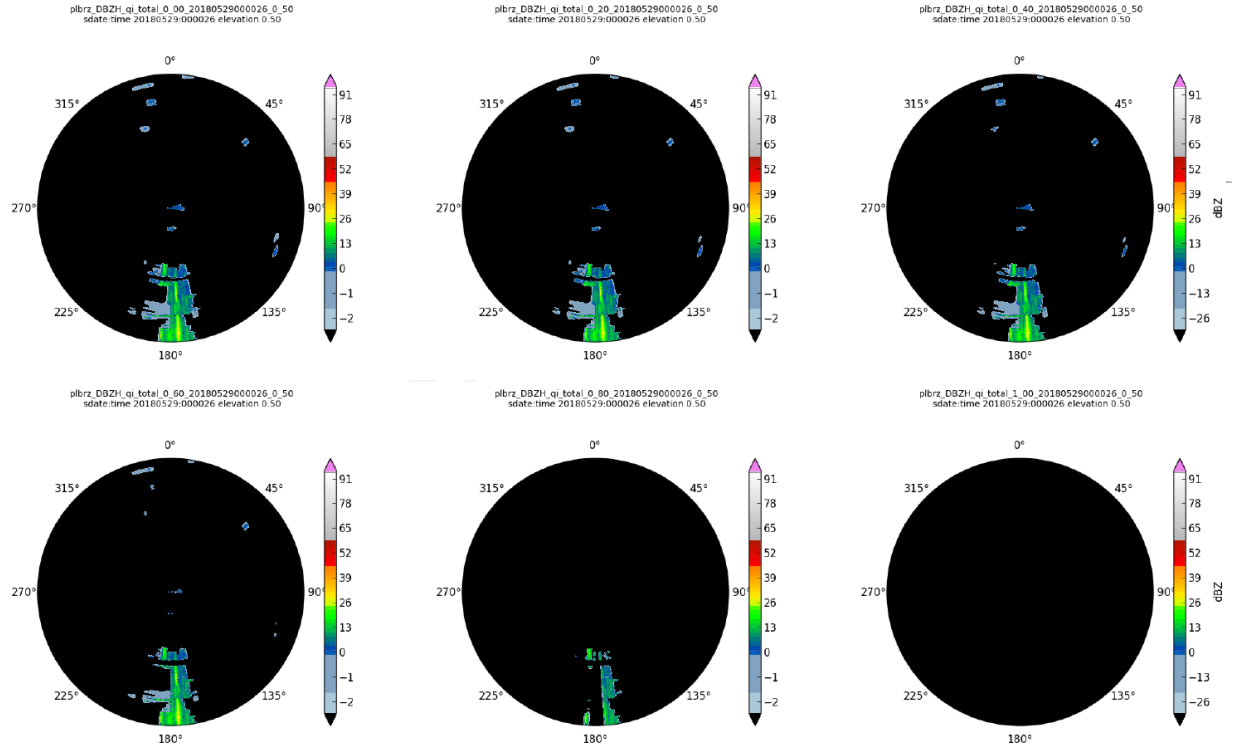
Radar data assimilation

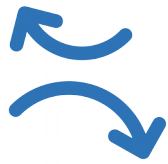
The review of available technical solutions for radar data pre-processing OPERA data for the radar data from abroad, but additional preprocessing is needed
The radar data homogenisation is essential for the radar data assimilation!

Spurious echoes remain in the OPERA data even for large values of total quality index.

We can't fully rely on OPERA QI. The QC of radar data seems beyond the scope of NWP but it is essential for the data assimilation.

Filtered DBZH values below the threshold of 0, 0.2, 0.4 (top) and 0.6, 0.8 and 1 (bottom) Sof the OPERA total quality index (pl total) for plbrz (Brzuchania).





Dynamics and coupling area

Design of vertical finite elements scheme for NH version of the model

- Jozef Vivoda, Petra Smolíková, Juan Simarro, “Finite elements used in the vertical discretization of the fully compressible core of the ALADIN system”, accepted in MWR, 2018.

Tuning and redesign of the horizontal diffusion depending on the scale

- Several high resolution tests have been prepared in frame of the preparation work of the next operational suite of CHMI

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Dynamic definition of the iterative time scheme

- implemented in the code on the base of cy43t2 and phased to cy46t1

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Terms redistribution through new vertical motion variables

- New definitions of the vertical motion variable are proposed (w5 and w6), implemented in cy46

Tuning the wind field dynamical adaptation in very high resolutions

- 500 m and 250 m resolution experiments were run using high resolution topography

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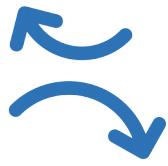
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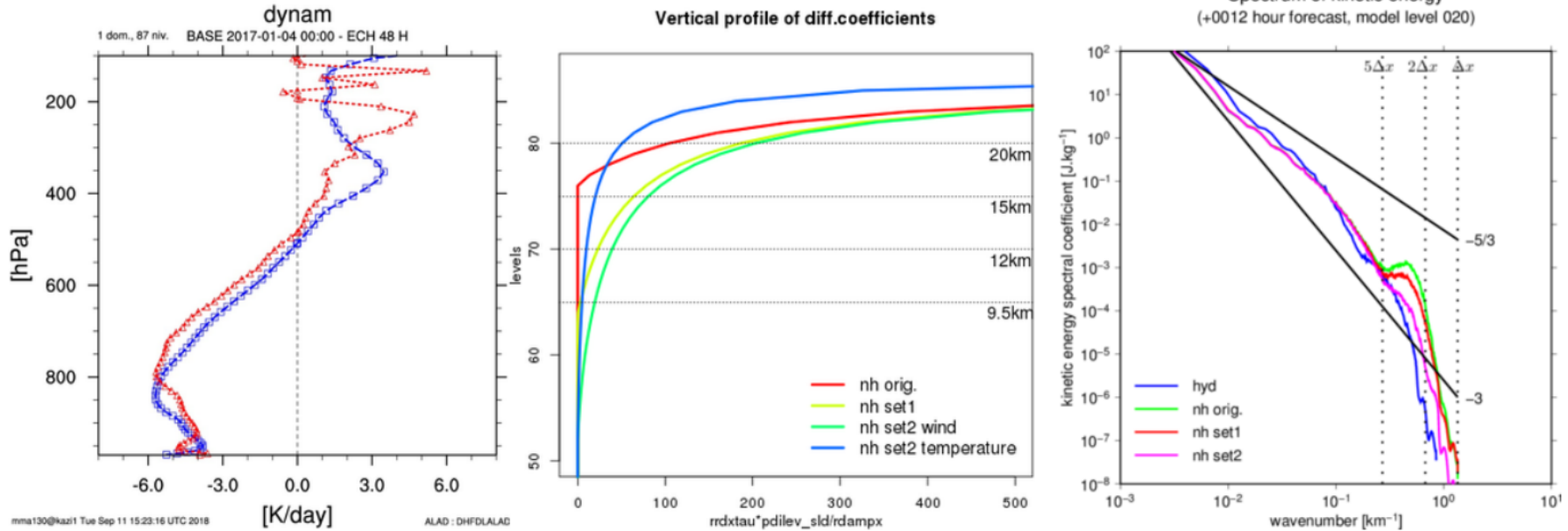
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DDH characteristics (left) temp. tend dyn part for HY (red) and NH (blue), the reduced spectral diffusion coefficient vertical profiles (middle) and and kinetic energy spectra at lev 20 (right).





Predictability area



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Optimization of ALADIN- LAEF

- B-matrix for the new ALADIN-LAEF
- validation of ENS 3DVar within ALADIN-LAEF Phase II
- analog based post-processing

ALADIN-LAEF maintenance

- operational ecFlow suite for the new ALADIN-LAEF

AROME-EPS

- developments at OMSZ and ZAMG, stochastic pattern generator and Jk 3DVar method

EPS-verificaton

ALADIN-LAEF verification tool is being developed

Collaborations

- new probabilistic methodologies to predict severe weather conditions

Publications

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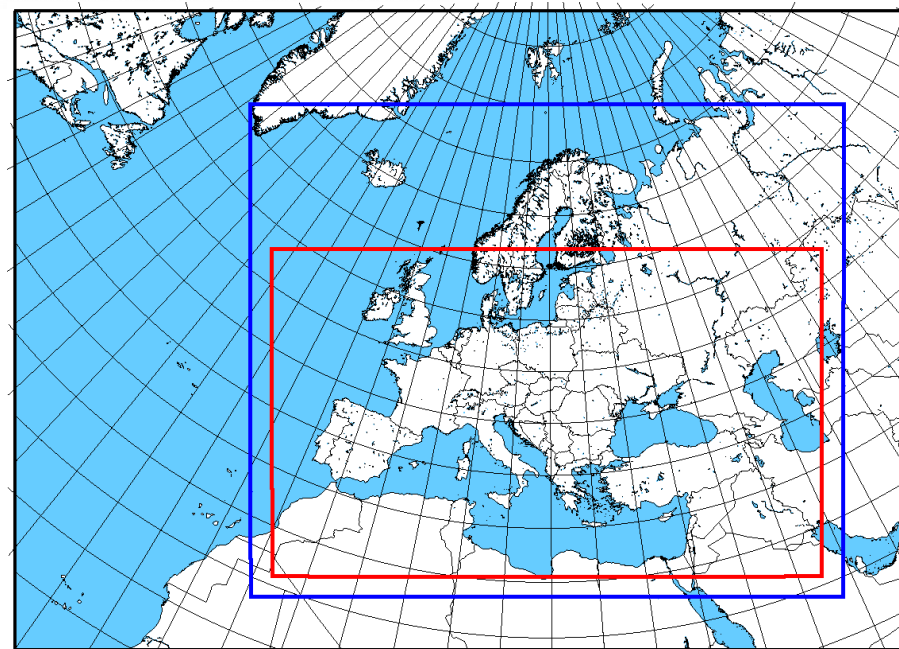
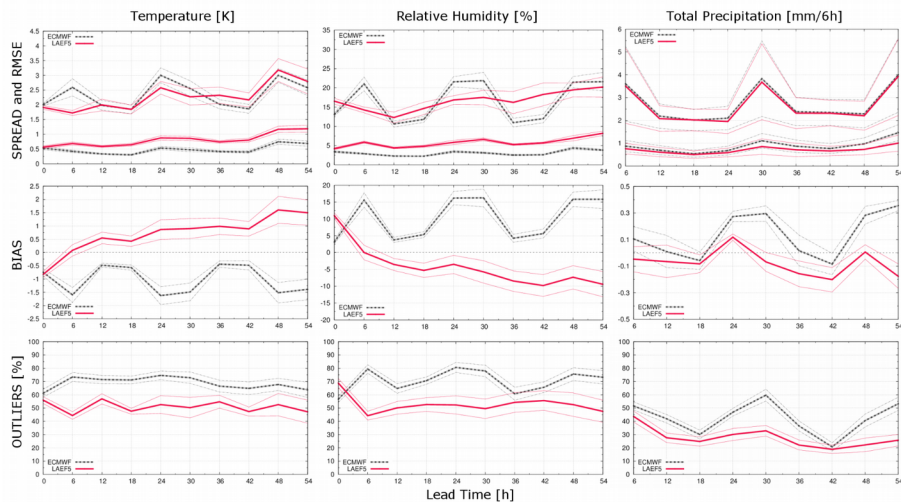
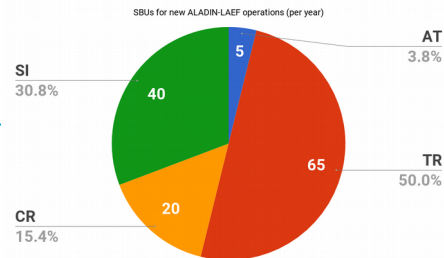
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Operational ALADIN- LAEF

- resolution 4.8 km,60 levs, new domain
- new physics and perturbations
- 12x increase in total cost
- operational ecFlow suite for the new ALADIN-LAEF



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Physics area

TOUCANS turbulence scheme

- shallow convection closure: tuning, possible improvement in the vertical profile definition,
- analysis of numerical protection algorithm for the equation solver
- implementation of TKE-based length scales
- DDH for TOUCANS – put prog. eqs. for TKE and TTE terms into DDH arrays

Radiation scheme

- Cheap calculation of clear sky fluxes, optimized intermittent storage, further improvement in calculation of direct solar flux is planned to be done in September with aim to enter cy46t1.

Cloud scheme (ALARO-1)

- the harmonisation of radiative clouds and condensates with the microphysics cloud fraction and prognostic condensates

Microphysics (AROME and ALARO-1)

- aerosol initialization in LIMA, hail diagnostics and super cooled rain validation in ICE3, validation of prognostic graupel in ALARO-1

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Physics area

Operational applications from ALARO-0 to ALARO-1 and SURFEX

- validation and operational use of ALARO-1vB in local applications (Cz, Hu, Ro)
- scientifically consistent ALARO transition from ISBA to SURFEX surface scheme ensured

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The ALARO-1vB version

Maintenance of ALARO CMC

Products for users

- hail probability, aviation related diagnostics, visibility, convective diagnostics pack

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Off-line SURFEX

- ImagineS system based on offline SURFEX with ISBA-Ags (currently with 10 day time lag) - Hu
- Crocus snow pack model based on INCA analysis and ALADIN DLW – Si
- downscaling tool – Si, Sk

Coupling with waves/ocean

- operational wave modelling with Wind Wave Model (paper)
- Impact of two-way coupling and sea surface temperature on precipitation forecast in regional atmosphere (paper)

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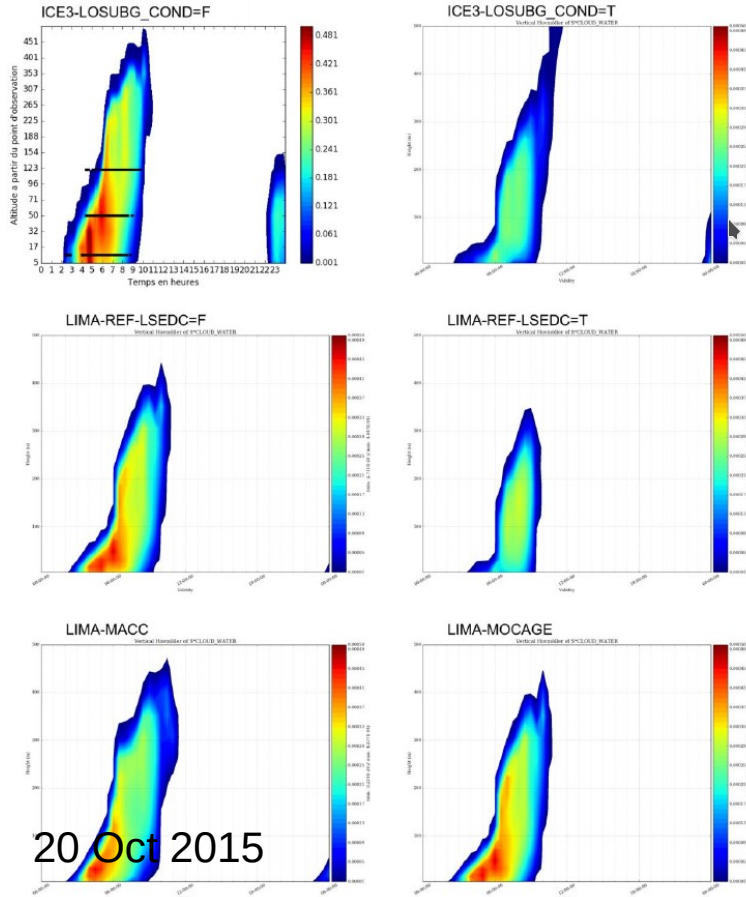
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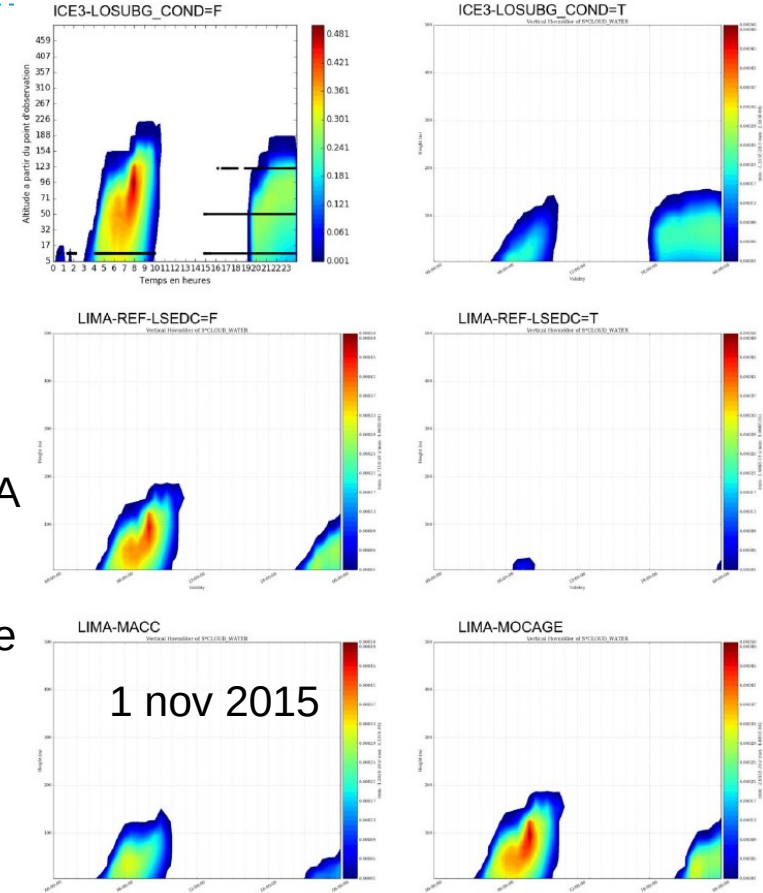


LIMA scheme in AROME



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Time-height cross section of LWC on 22nd October 2015 in 6 different cases: ICE3 without (a) and with (b) subgrid condensation, LIMA-REF with (d) and without (c) cloud sedimentation, LIMA with MACC (e) and LIMA with MOCAGE (f). In figure (a) the black horizontal lines show the observations: the duration of the fog (3 levels: 10m, 50m, 120m)



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