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Summary of ALADIN/LACE activities at ZAMG

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- CANARI / CANARI+3DVAR
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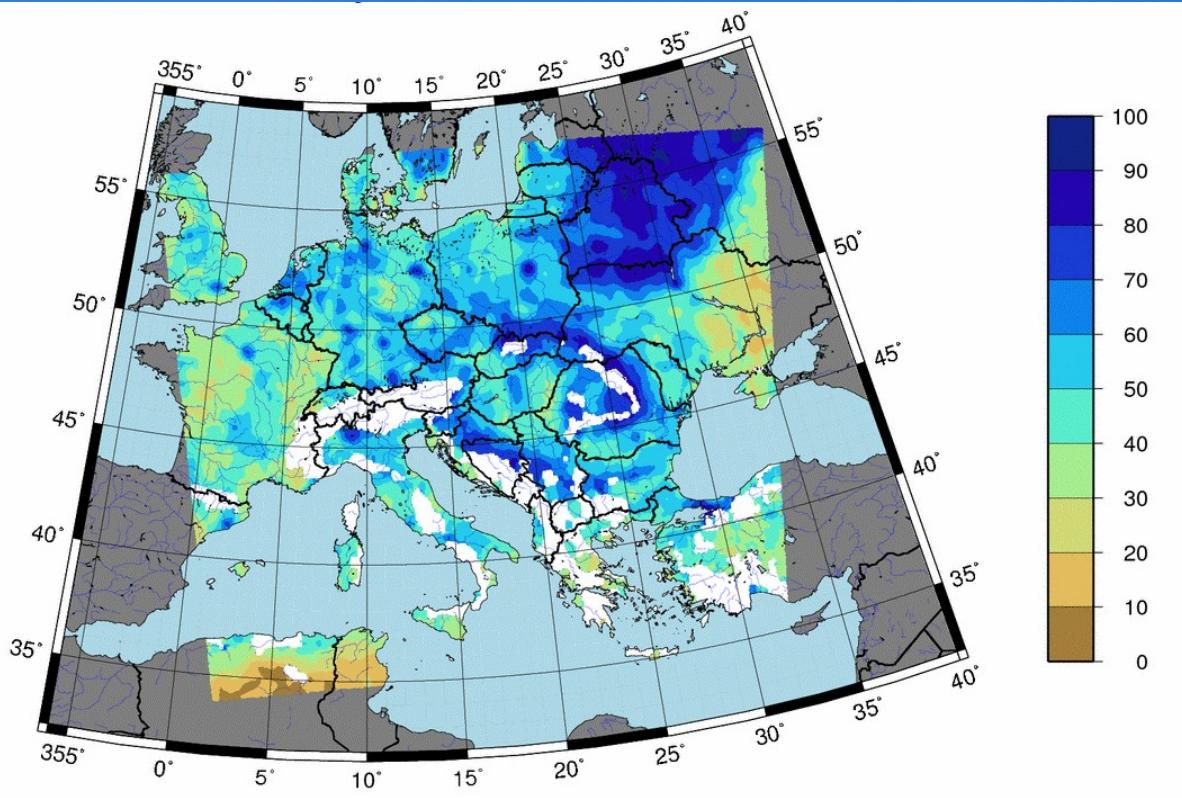
SURFEX (SURFace EXternalisée)

- assimilation based on the Simplified Extended Kalman Filter (EKF)
- version: 4.8
- prognostic variables: wg, w2, Ts, T2
- data to assimilate: soil moisture, T2M, RH2M
- data screening: CDF matching, quality flags
- 6hourly assimilation cycle every 6 hours
- offline mode





mean ASCAT soil moisture for January-June 2010



Advanced Scatterometer
on board METOP

polar orbiting satellite
active Scatterometer
microwave spectrum
($\lambda=5.7\text{cm}$)

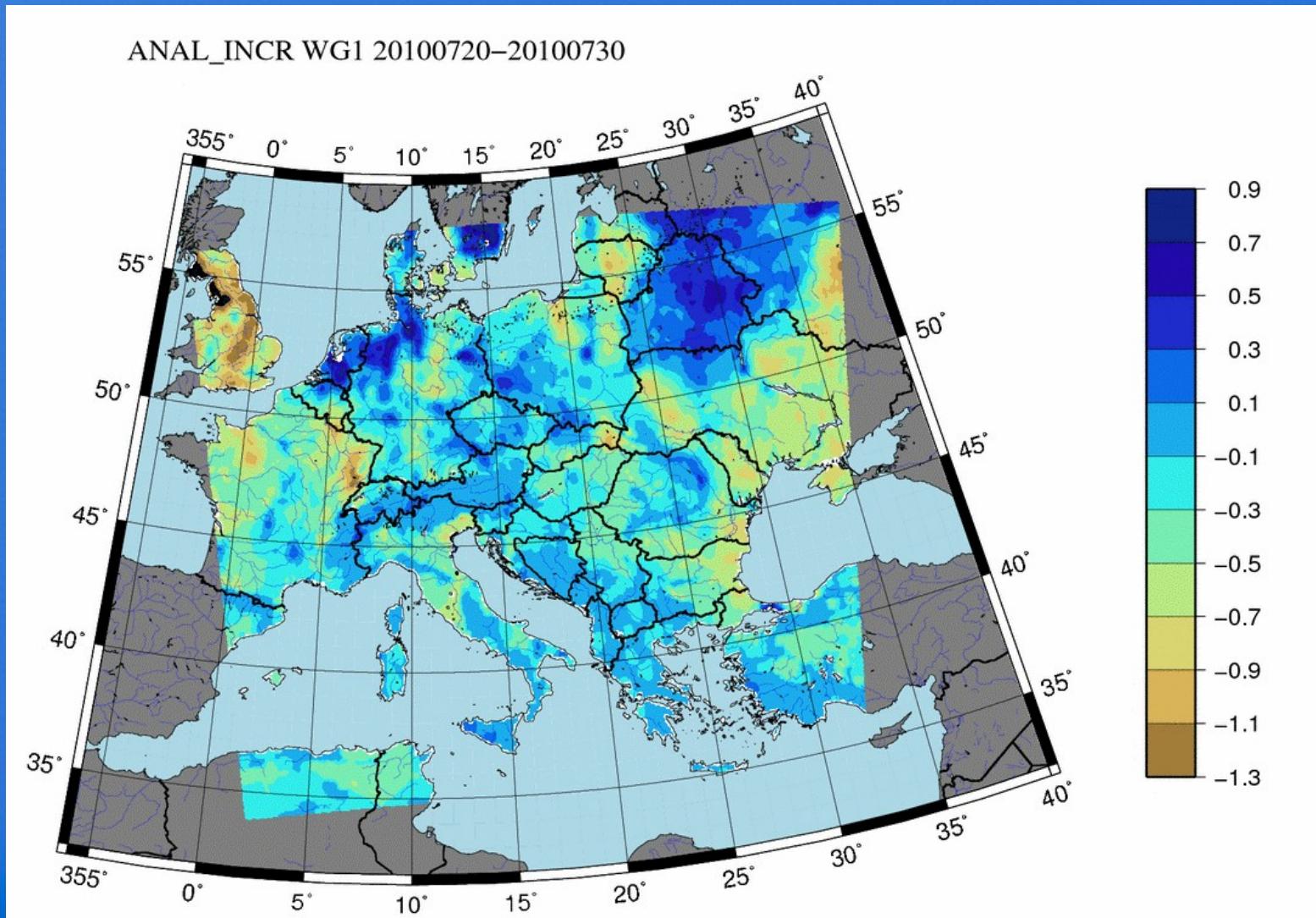
spatial resolution: 25km
temporal resolution: ~1.5d
Data availability: ~2 hours
after the measurement

soil moisture values valid
for 0-2cm depth

http://www.zamg.ac.at/satweb/Kunden/HSAF_products/h07/

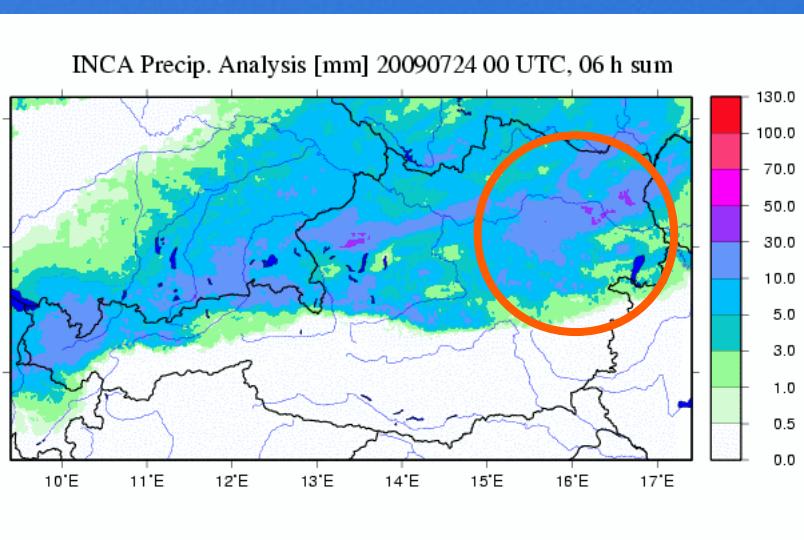


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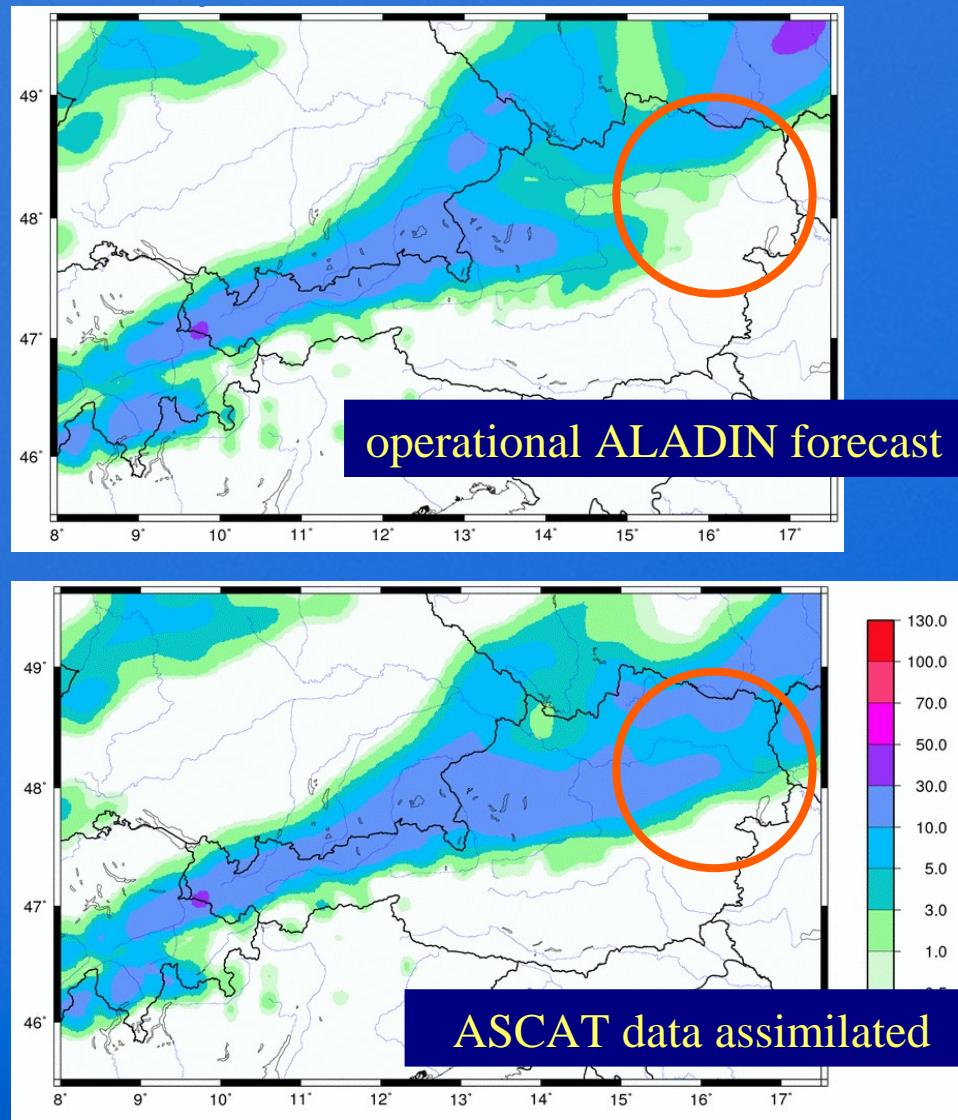


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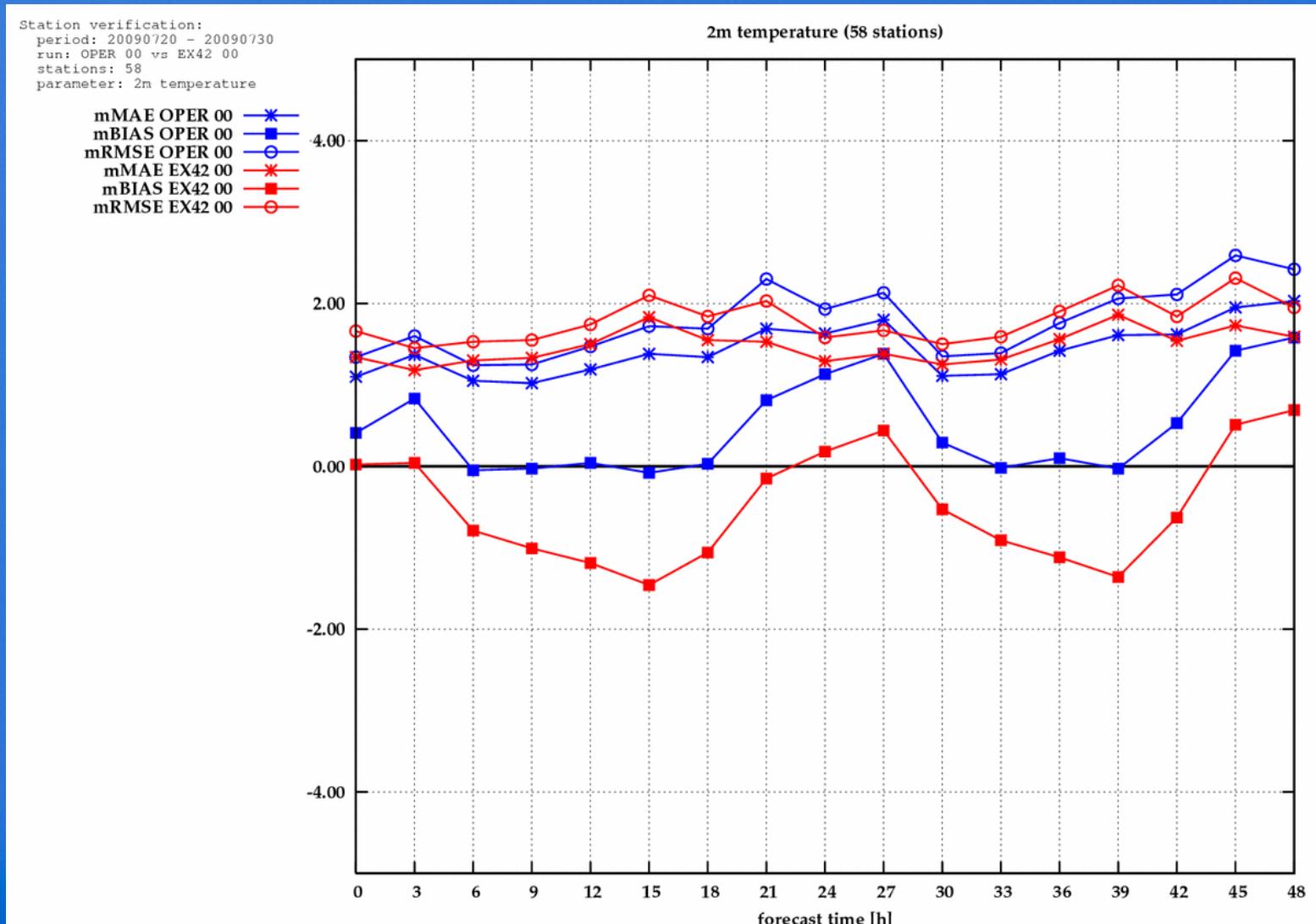
Case study of a severe thunderstorm in Vienna on July 23rd, 2009



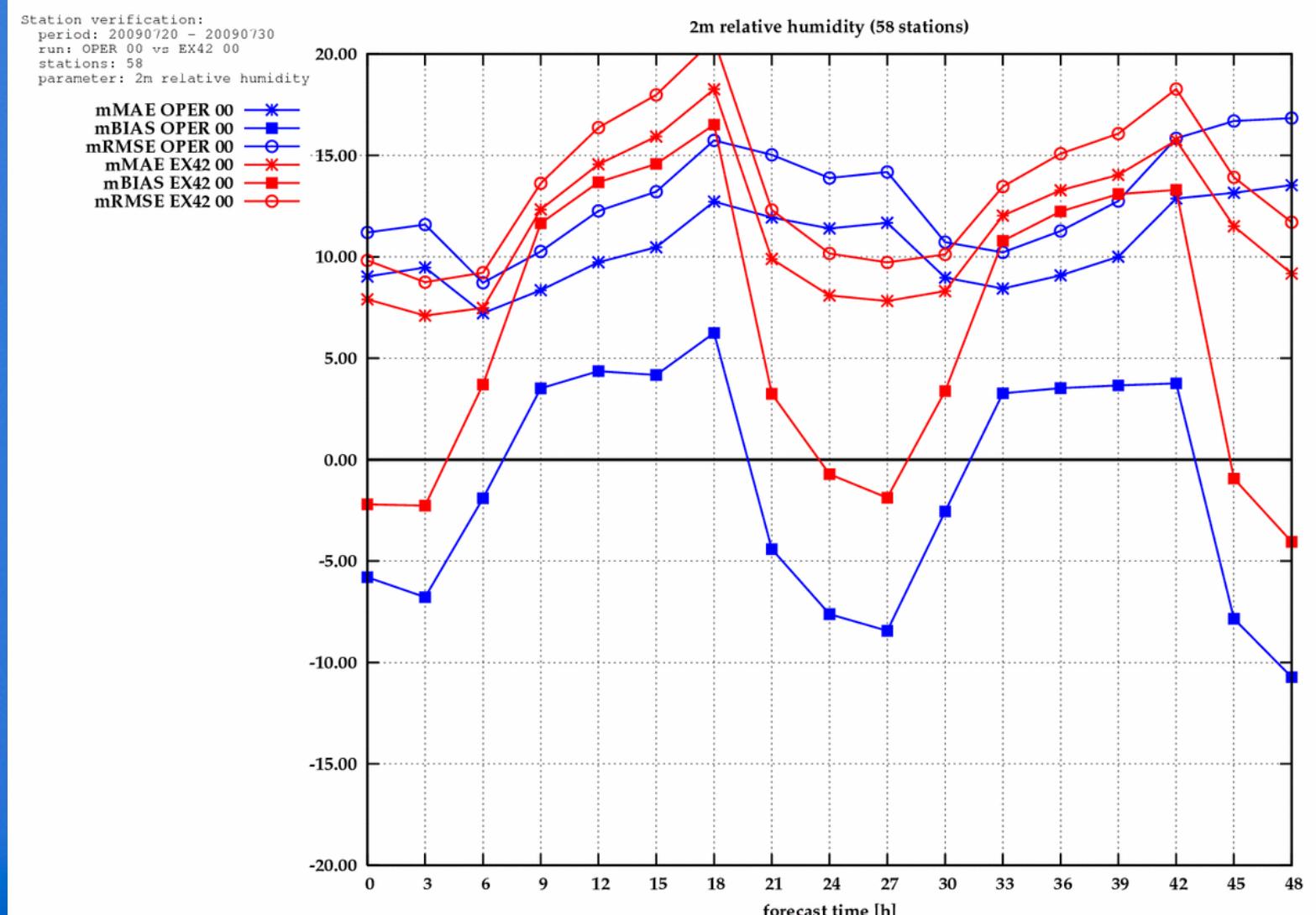
INCA precipitation analysis
23.7.2009, 18-00UTC



verification of forecasted 2m-temperature for July 2009



verification of forecasted 2m-relative humidity for July 2009





SURFEX

- + improvement for single events
 - + Preoperational test suite is technically ready to start

 - BIAS correction needs to be improved
 - boundary layer is too moist on average – RH2M
 - too much convective initiation
- further tuning of the model is required



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CANARI (Code d'Analyse Nécessaire à ARPEGE pour ses Rejets et son Initialisation)

- cy32t1 for assimilation
- cy35t1 for forecast (927/001/FPOS)
- assimilated parameters: T2M, RH2M (OPLACE and ZAMG database)
- prognostic variables:
 - SURFRESERV.EAU
 - SURFTEMPERATURE
 - SURFRESERV.NEIGE
 - SURFRESERV.INTER
 - SURFRESERV.GLACE
 - PROFTEMPERATURE
 - PROFRESERV.EAU
 - PROFRESERV.GLACE



results : OPER (blue) vs OPLACE+TAWES (red)

SAL verification
 period: 20100124 - 20100208
 domain 00: 10KM_OESTERREICH_GESAMT
 lon: 09.50 - 17.30
 lat: 46.10 - 49.20
 gridpoints: 1972 (58 x 34)
 dx, dy= 10km

AMPLITUDE SCORES A [-2:+2]:
 0: perfect QPF forecast
 -2: QPF underestimated
 +2: QPF overestimated

STATISTICS for A:
 EX41 EX19
 mean : 0.62 0.60
 stdev: 1.21 1.22
 var : 1.47 1.49
 max : 2.00 2.00
 min : -1.94 -1.94

STRUCTURE SCORES S [-2:+2]:
 0: perfect structure forecast
 -2: objects too small/packaged
 +2: objects too large/flat

STATISTICS for S:
 EX41 EX19
 mean : 0.90 0.89
 stdev: 0.80 0.80
 var : 0.64 0.64
 max : 1.98 1.98
 min : -1.30 -1.33

LOCATION SCORE L [0:+2]:
 0: perfect location forecast
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 and/ or Center (TCM) of
 objects relative to TCM

STATISTICS for L:
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 stdev: 0.19 0.19
 var : 0.04 0.04
 max : 0.87 0.91
 min : 0.03 0.03

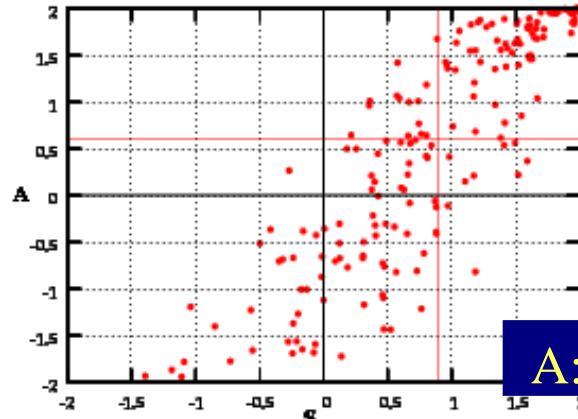
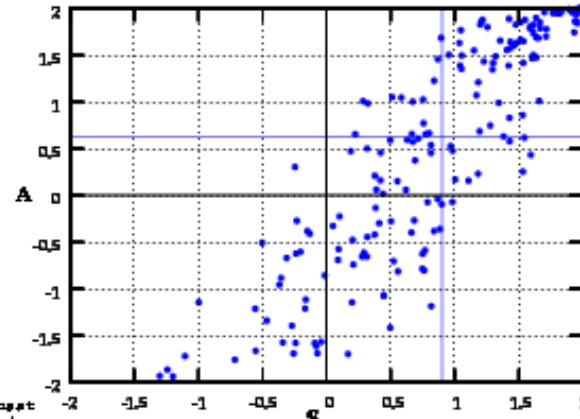
FORECAST RANGE: 0 - 72, DT: 06 h

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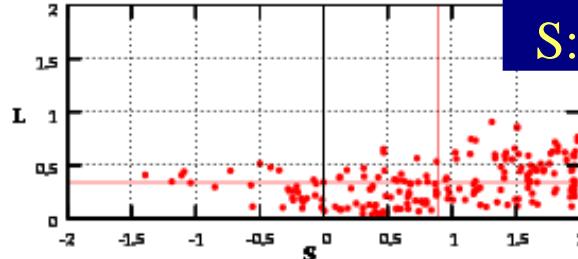
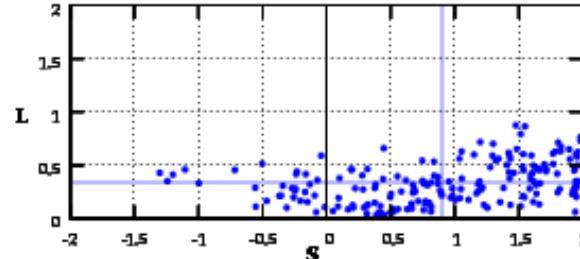
EX19

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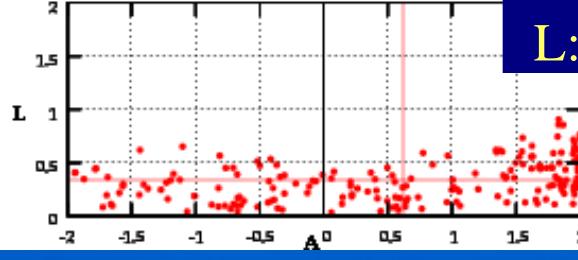
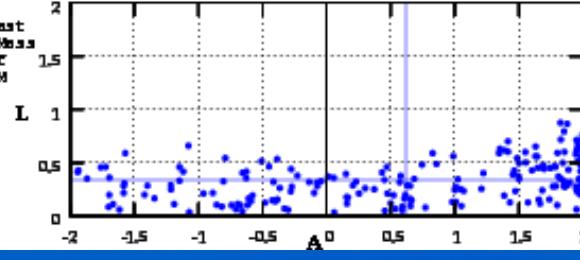
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| A (obs=yes, mod=yes): | 189 | 189 | |
| B (obs= no, mod=yes): | 003 | 003 | |
| C (obs=yes, mod= no): | 000 | 000 | |
| D (obs= no, mod= no): | 000 | 000 | |



A: 0.62 vs 0.60



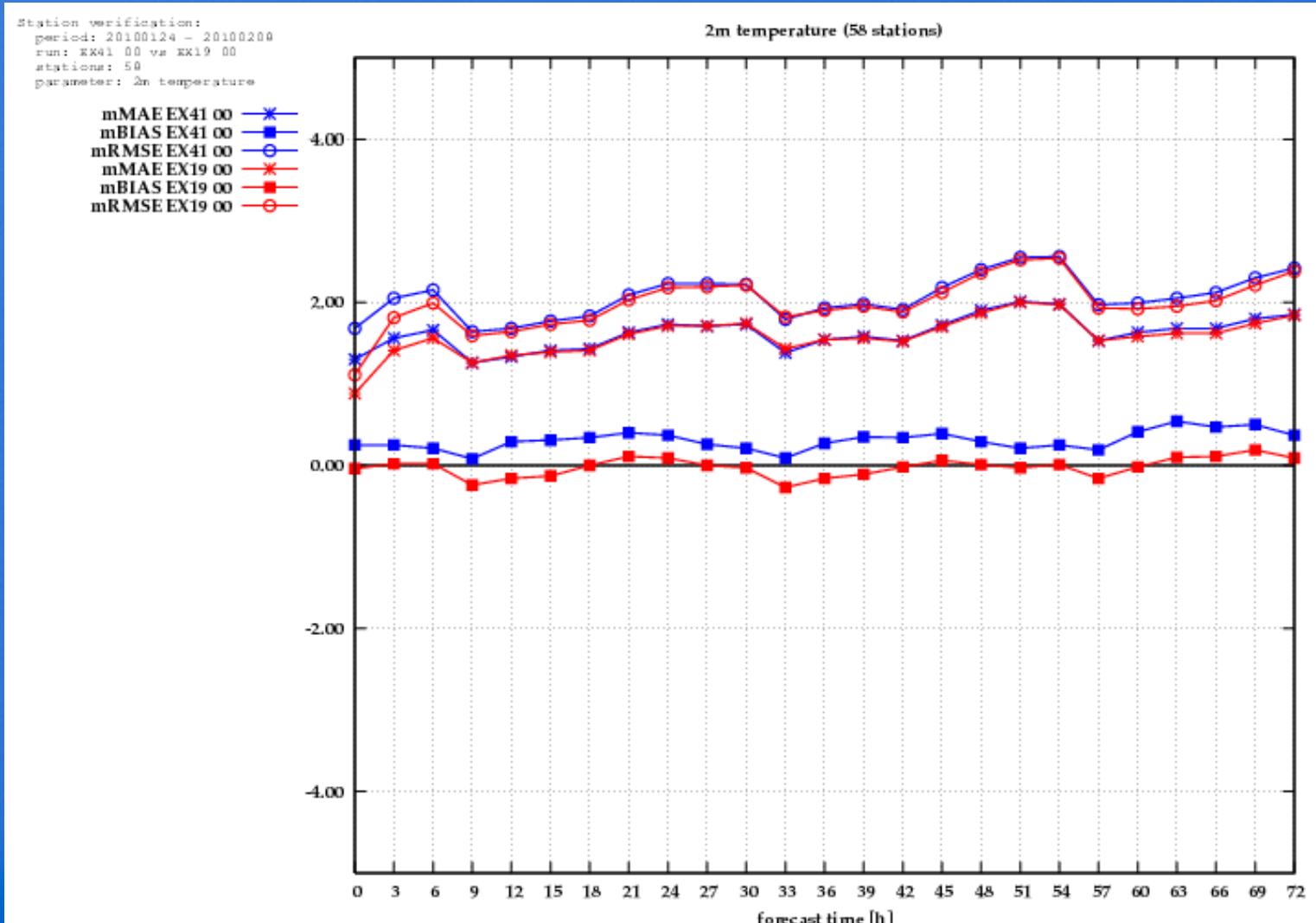
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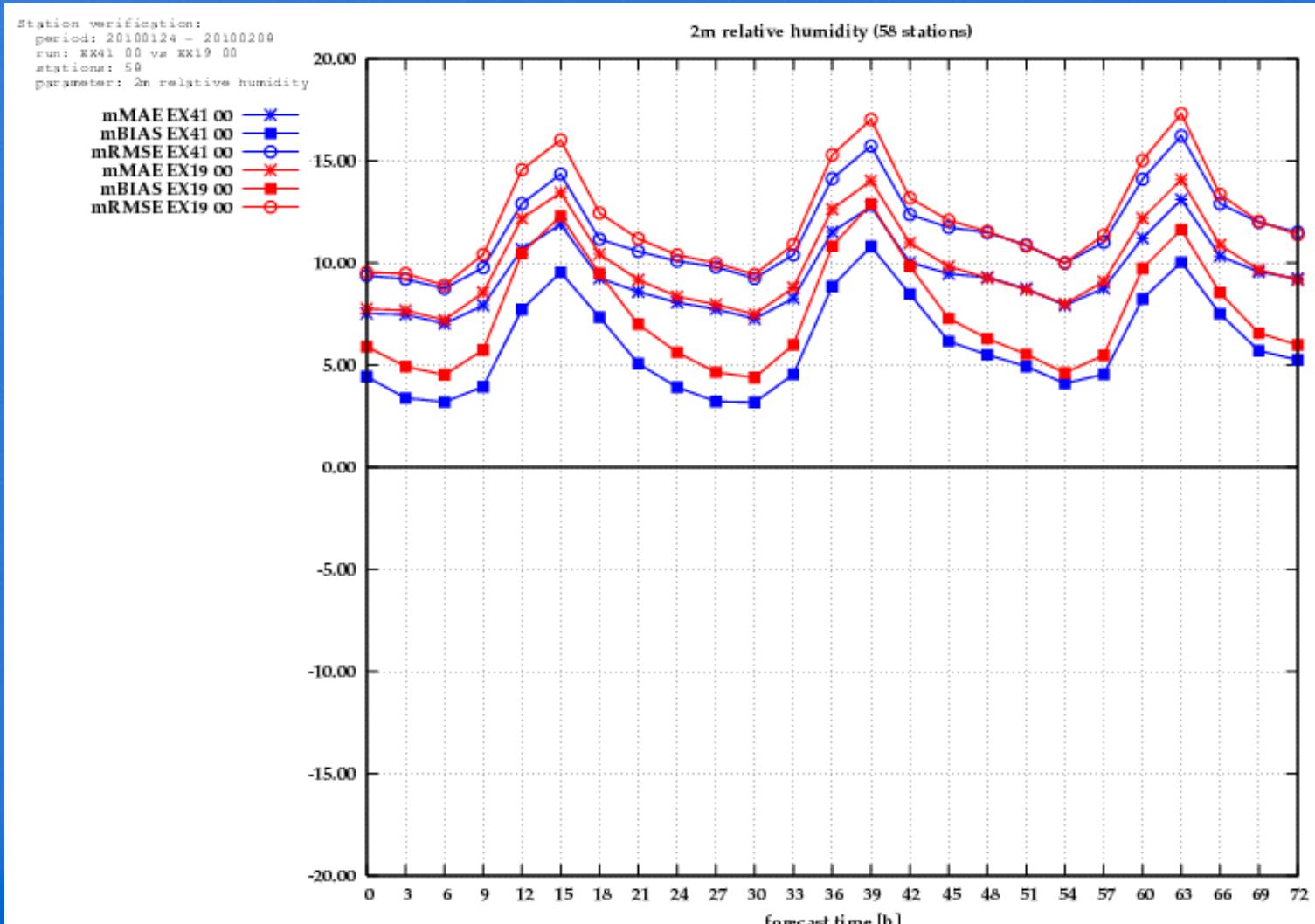
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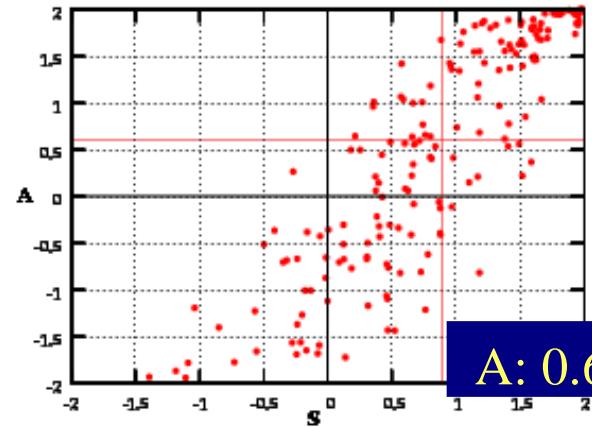
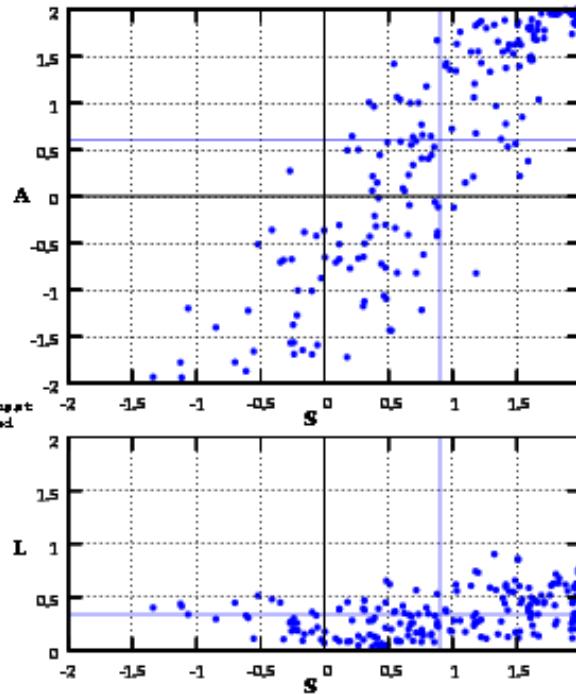
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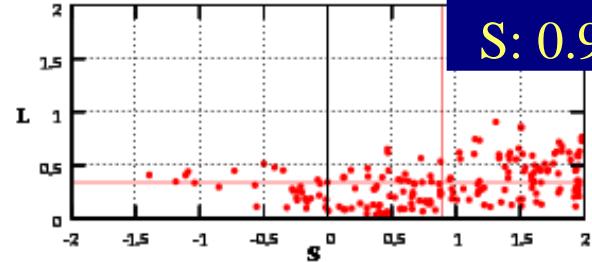
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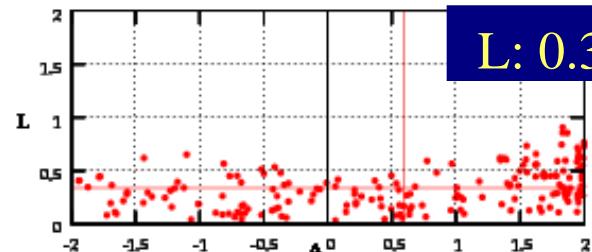
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A: 0.60 vs 0.60



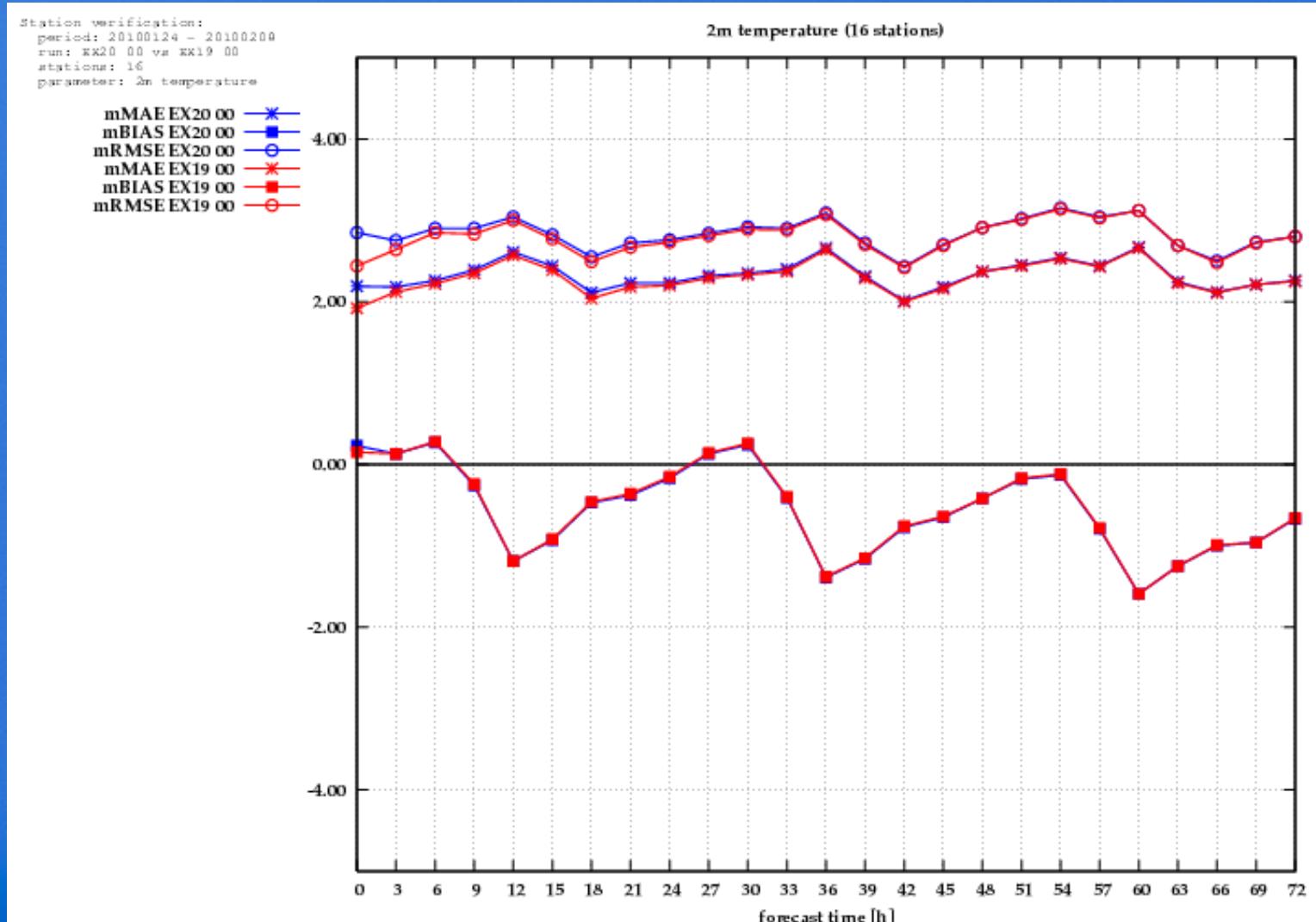
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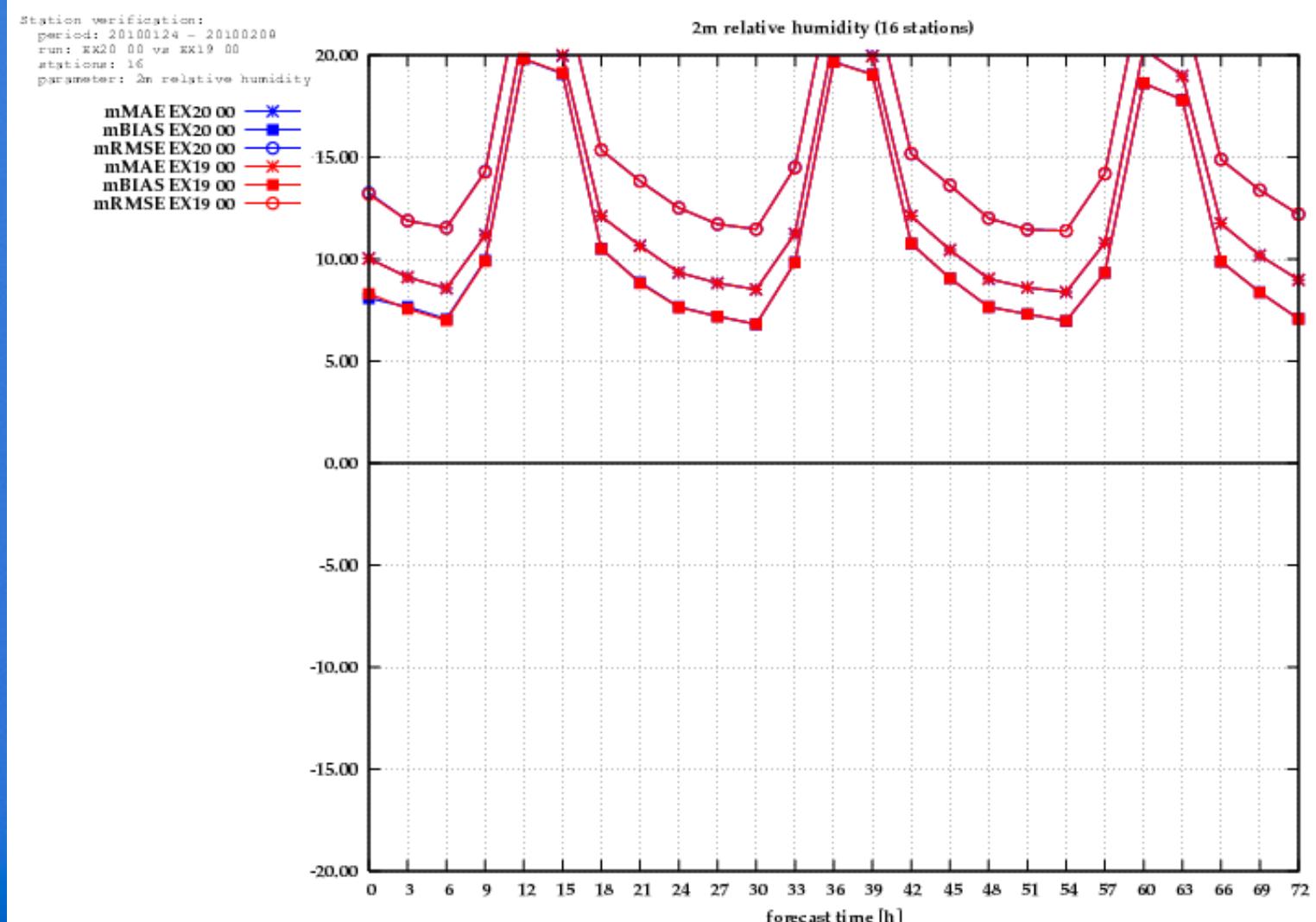
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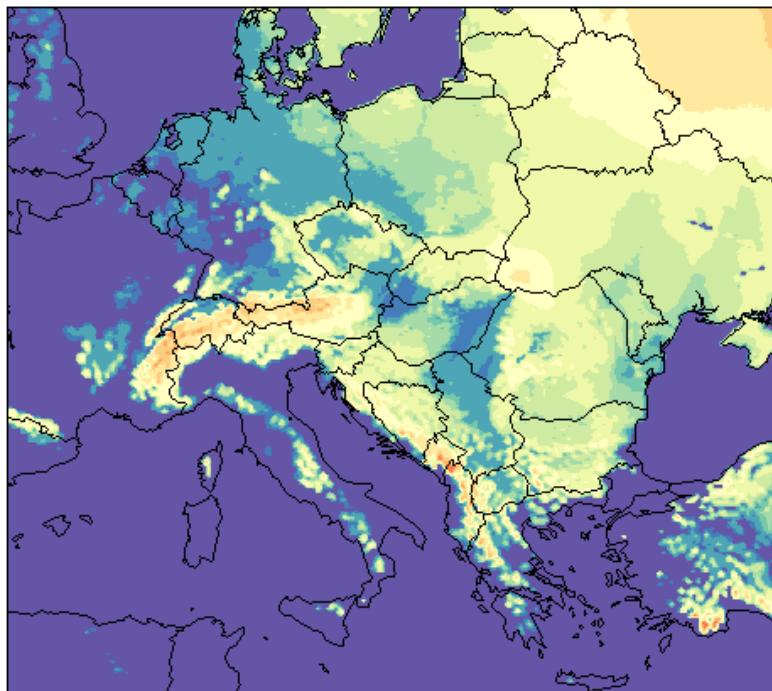


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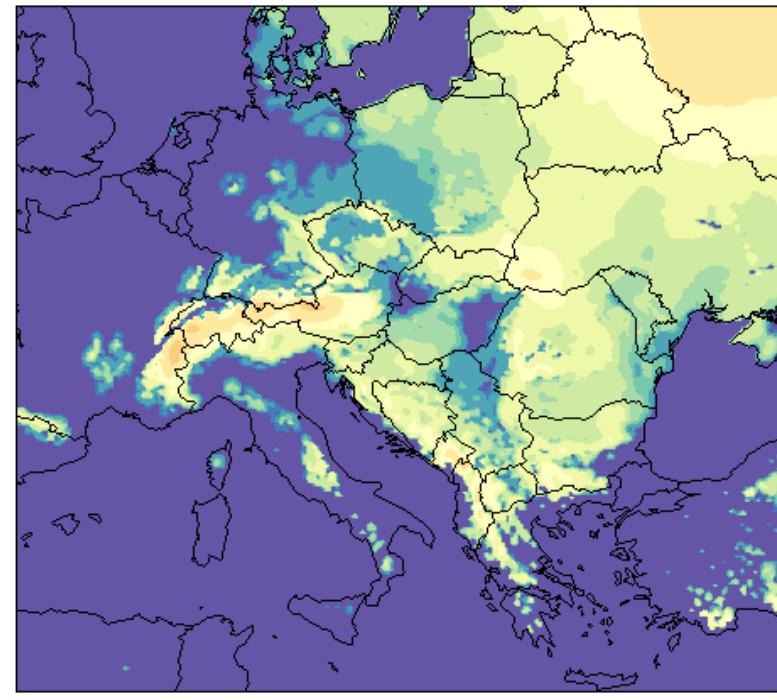


results : snow cover

SNOW CANARI 2010020800+00h



SNOW OPER 2010020800+00h

kg/m²

More snow in CANARI due to relaxation towards climate file values.





CANARI

- + preoperational cycle is working since 2010
- + combined with 3DVAR
- + improvement for 2m & precipitation forecasts
- + tests with cy36t1 started

- snow cover in winter
- no long time verification for winter





Thank you for your attention!

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Surface assimilation:

SYNOP+TAWES: T_{2m} , RH_{2m} (OPLACE/ZAMG database)

3D-Var:

SYNOP+TAWES: Φ , T_{2m} , RH_{2m} (ZAMG database)

SHIP: U, V, T, RH, Φ (ZAMG database)

TEMP: U, V, T, q, Φ (OPLACE data)

AIREP: U, V, T (OPLACE data)

Windprofiler: U, V (OPLACE data)

SAT (ATOVS, AMSU-A/B): Radiance (OPLACE data)

SAT (GEOWIND): U, V (OPLACE data)

