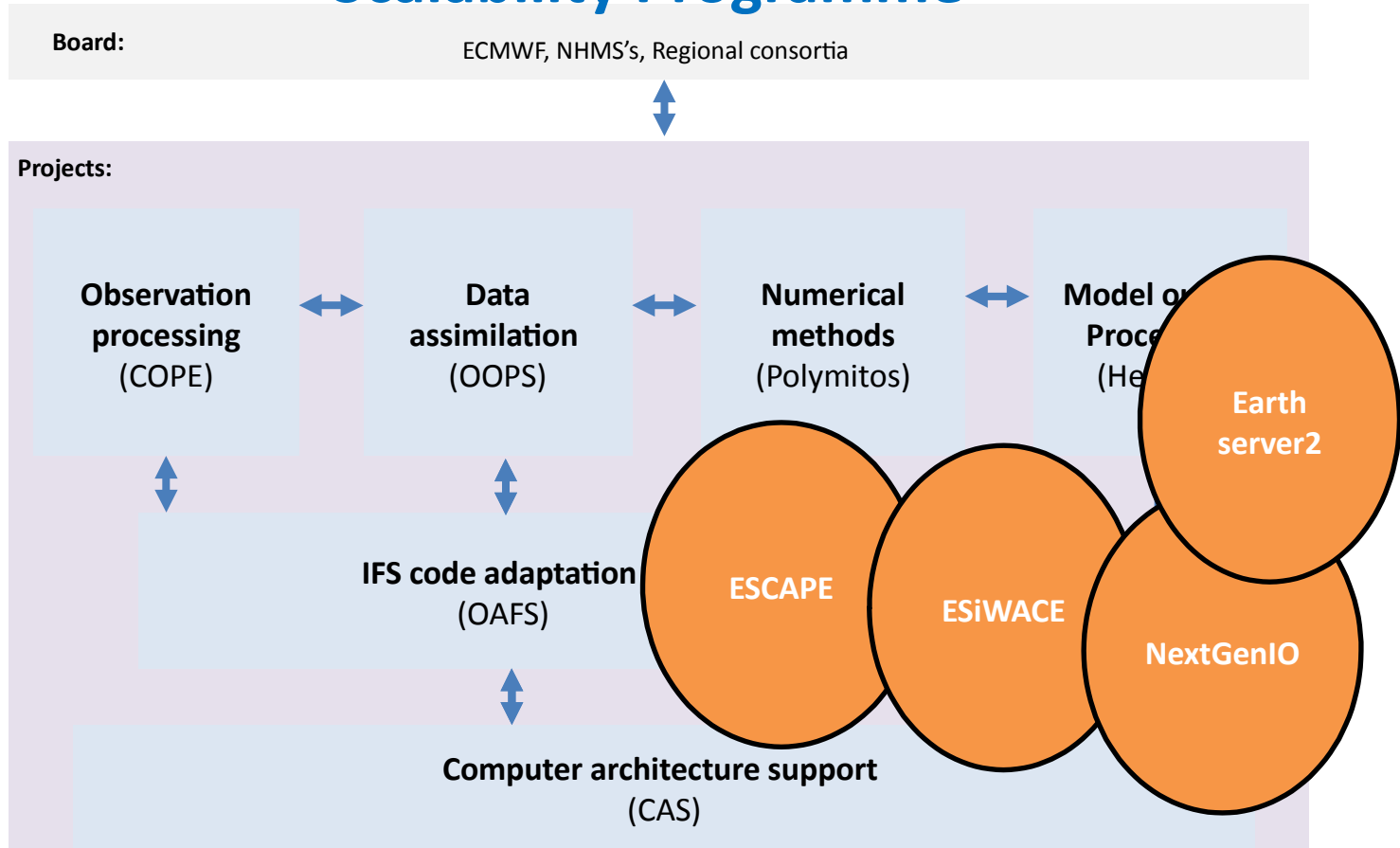


# Latest developments at ECMWF

Scalability  
and  
IFS cycle 41r2

# Scalability Programme

Peter Bauer



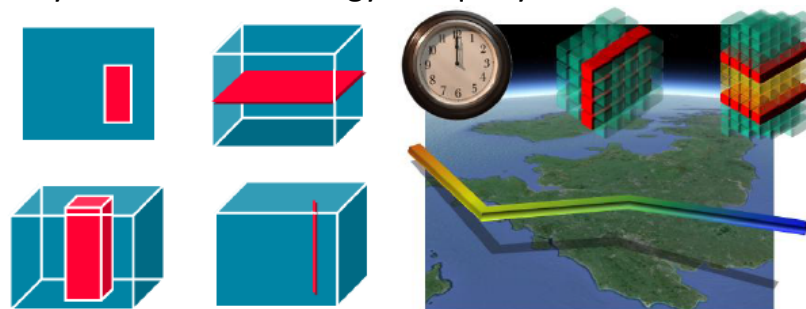
+ bilateral collaboration with IBM and INTEL

# Model output processing

## EarthServer-2\*, Agile Analytics on Big Data Cubes:

- navigation, extraction, aggregation, and recombining of any-size space/time data cubes;
- easy to install & maintain value-adding services extending the existing portfolio of data and compute centres;
- based on open standards, in particular: the OGC Big Data standards and the forthcoming ISO SQL/MDA (“Multi- Dimensional Arrays”) standard.

The project will advance the existing, world-leading rasdaman Array Database technology wrt query functionality, inter-federation data processing with automatic data and query distribution, tape archive integration, and 3D/4D visualization based on NASA’s virtual globe technology.



## Status:

- Project kicked off 1<sup>st</sup> May 2015
- 1PB reanalysis dataset test case

→ <http://www.earthserver.eu/>

\* Funded by EC H2020 framework, e-Infrastructures, Managing, preserving and computing with big research data  
Partners: **Jacobs U Bremen**, rasdaman, Plymouth Marine Lab, ECMWF, MEE0 S.R.L., CITE S.A., NASA & NCI (unfunded)

# Numerical methods – Code Adaptation - Architecture

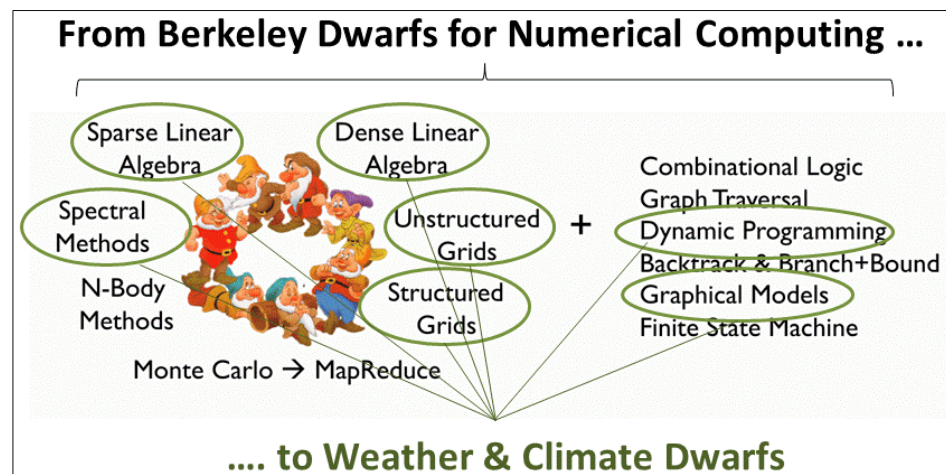
**ESCAPE\***, Energy efficient Scalable Algorithms for weather Prediction at Exascale:

- Next generation IFS numerical building blocks and compute intensive algorithms
- Compute/energy efficiency diagnostics
- New approaches and implementation on novel architectures
- Testing in operational configurations

## Status:

- Project kicked off 1-2 October 2015
- 6 deliverables submitted 1 December 2015
- 1<sup>st</sup> webinar on dwarfs and interaction on codes held early December
- 1<sup>st</sup> dwarf available on interactive platform
- Recruitment completed

→ <http://www.hpc-escape.eu>



\*Funded by EC H2020 framework, Future and Emerging Technologies – High-Performance Computing

Partners: **ECMWF**, Météo-France, RMI, DMI, Meteo Swiss, DWD, U Loughborough, PSNC, ICHEC, Bull, NVIDIA, Optalysys



# Numerical methods - Model output processing - Architecture

## NextGenIO\*, Next Generation I/O:

- Define exascale I/O requirements across demanding applications
- Define hardware architectures
- Define data architecture
- Develop I/O workload simulators
- Develop support tools for NVRAM
- Develop necessary systemware
- Develop prototype hardware

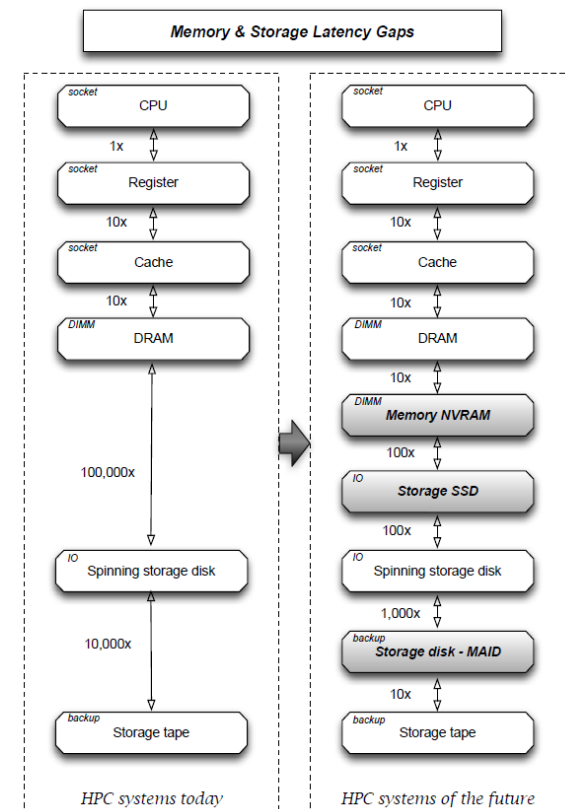
## Status:

- Project kicked off 5-6 October 2015
- Informal meeting on definition/scope of I/O workload simulators
- Recruitment completed

→ <http://www.nextgenio.eu/>

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Partners: **U Edinburgh**, Intel, Fujitsu, BSC, TU Dresden, Allinea, ECMWF, Arctur



# Numerical methods – Code Adaptation – Model output processing - Architecture

**ESiWACE\***, Excellence in Simulation of Weather And Climate in Europe:

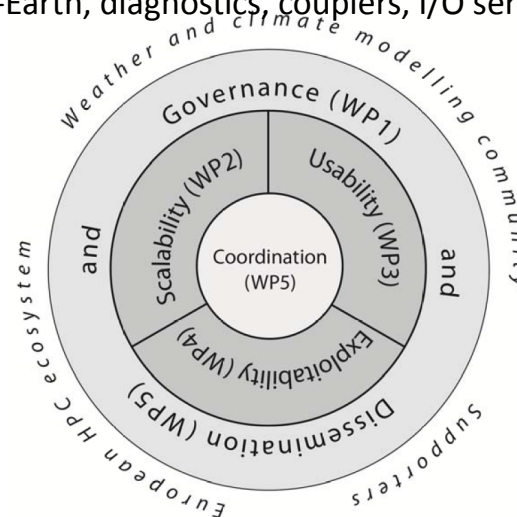
Join weather and climate communities to provide support, training, services

- fostering community models, tools and software (NEMO, EC-Earth, diagnostics, couplers, I/O servers, ESM workflow, Cylc)
- towards enhanced code performance (e.g. MPI/OpenMP, I/O, single-precision)
- towards exascale (e.g. concurrency, knowledge compression)

**Status:**

- Project kicked off 1 December 2015
- 1<sup>st</sup> HPC workshop being prepared (April, Toulouse)
- Recruitment completed

→ <https://www.esiwace.eu/>



\*Funded by EC H2020 framework, e-Infrastructures, Centres of Excellence for Computing Applications

Partners: **DKRZ**, ECMWF, CNRS-IPSL, MPG, CERFACS, BSC, STFC, Met Office, U Reading, SMHI, ICHEC, CMCC, DWD, Seagate, Bull, Allinea

# Scalability programme

- Well on track
- Major progress has been made in setting up projects
- First promising results

# Higher resolution model

IFS cycle 41r2

Its contents & evaluation

Erik Andersson, Thomas Haiden, Richard Forbes,  
Paul Dando, Linus Magnusson, Martin Janousek,  
Fernando Prates, Ervin Zsoter...

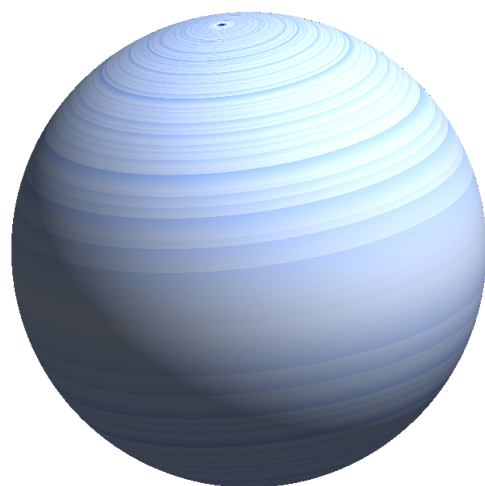
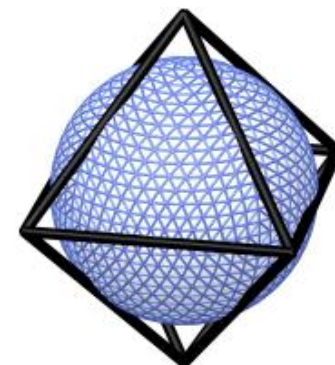


# Contents of IFS cycle 41r2 - 1

- The horizontal resolution is increased by changing from linear (TL) to cubic (TC) spectral truncation and introducing an octahedral reduced Gaussian grid.
- The realism of the kinetic energy spectrum is significantly improved with more energy in the smaller scales

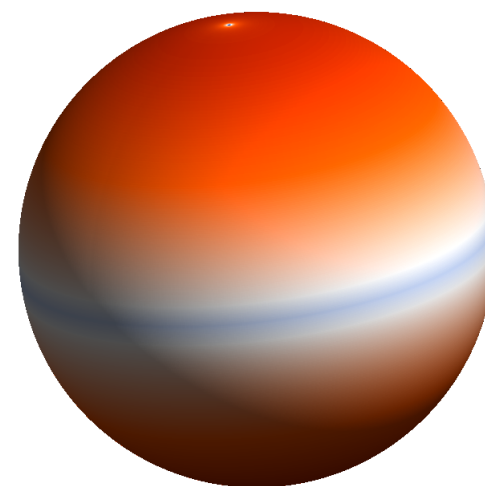
## Upcoming resolution upgrade (8 March 2016)

- High resolution forecast (HRES): twice per day  
**9 km** 137-level, to 10 days ahead
- Ensemble forecast (ENS): twice per day  
51 members, **18 km** 91-level, **to 15 days ahead**
- Monthly ENS extension: twice a week (Mon/Thursdays)  
51 members, **36 km** 62 levels, to 46 days ahead



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6 8 10

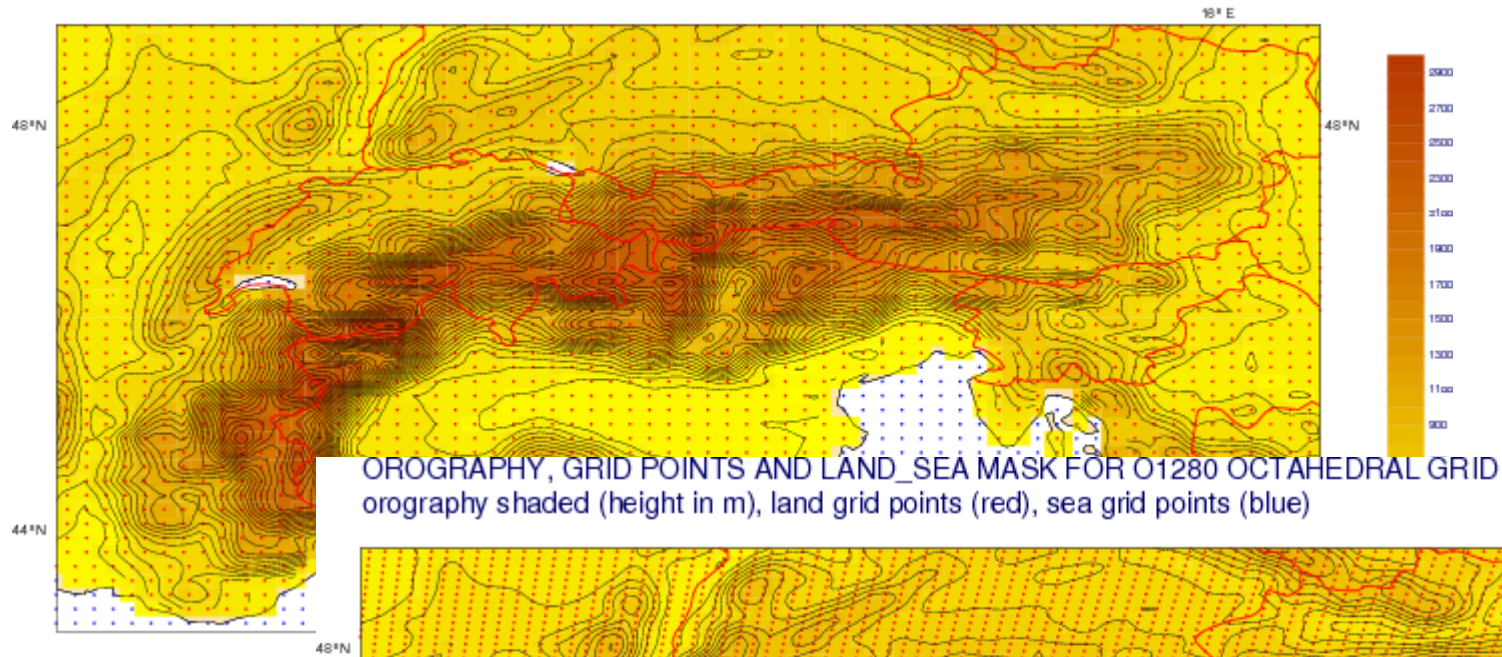
*Comparing the global variations in resolution between current (Gaussian-reduced) and new (octahedral) grids at ~9km.*



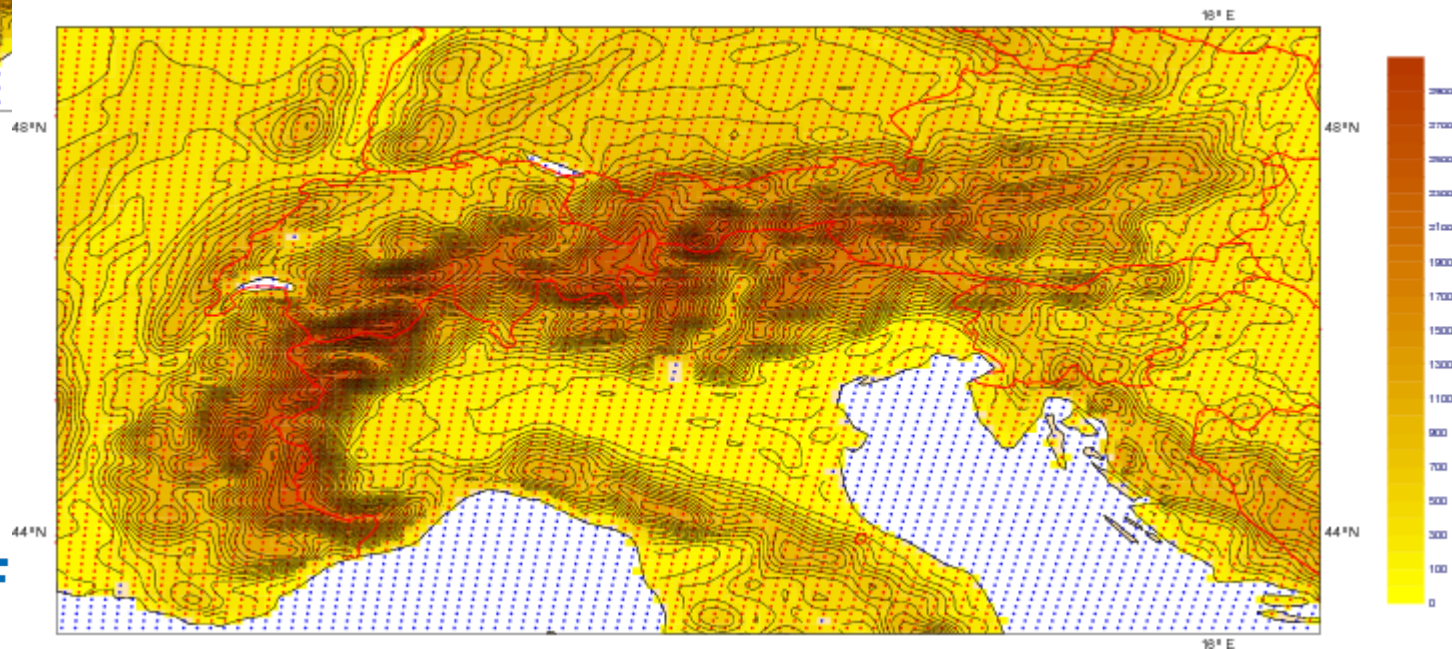
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# Improved representation of the Alps

OROGRAPHY, GRID POINTS AND LAND\_SEA MASK FOR N640 ORIGINAL GRID  
orography shaded (height in m), land grid points (red), sea grid points (blue)



OROGRAPHY, GRID POINTS AND LAND\_SEA MASK FOR O1280 OCTAHEDRAL GRID  
orography shaded (height in m), land grid points (red), sea grid points (blue)



# Higher resolution ENS up to 15 days

Improvement on the 15-day EPSgrams – **NO JUMP at DAY10**

ENS Meteogram

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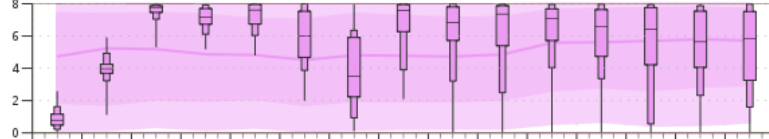
Koper, Slovenia

ENS Meteogram

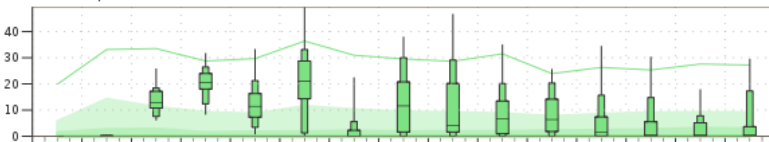
Koper, Slovenia 45.77°N 13.5°E (EPS land point) 12 m

Extended Range Forecast based on ENS distribution Friday 5 February 2016 00 UTC

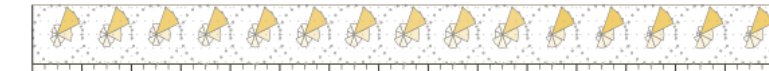
Daily mean of Total Cloud Cover (okta)



Total Precipitation (mm/24h)



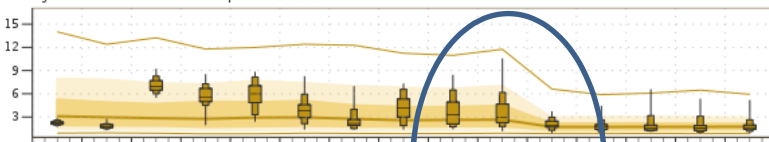
M-Climate of the distribution of 10m Wind Direction



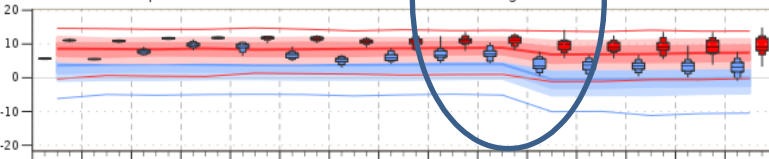
Daily Distribution of 10m Wind Direction



Daily mean of 10m Wind Speed (m/s)



2m min/max Temperature (°C) reduced to 12 m (station height) from 113 m (T319)



ENS Meteogram [0069]

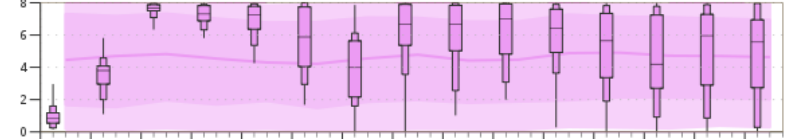
Esuite

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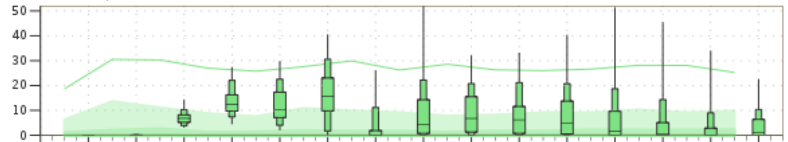
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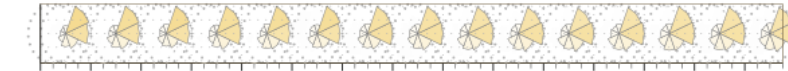
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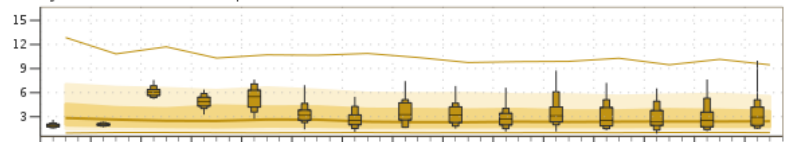
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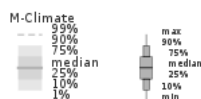
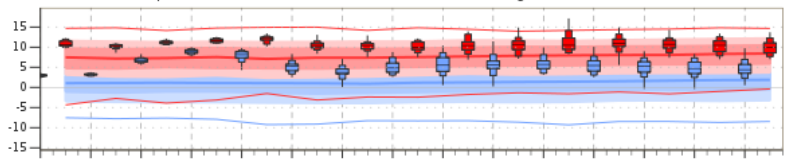
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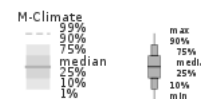


2m min/max Temperature (°C) reduced to 12 m (station height) from 226 m (T1279)



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I-RANGE



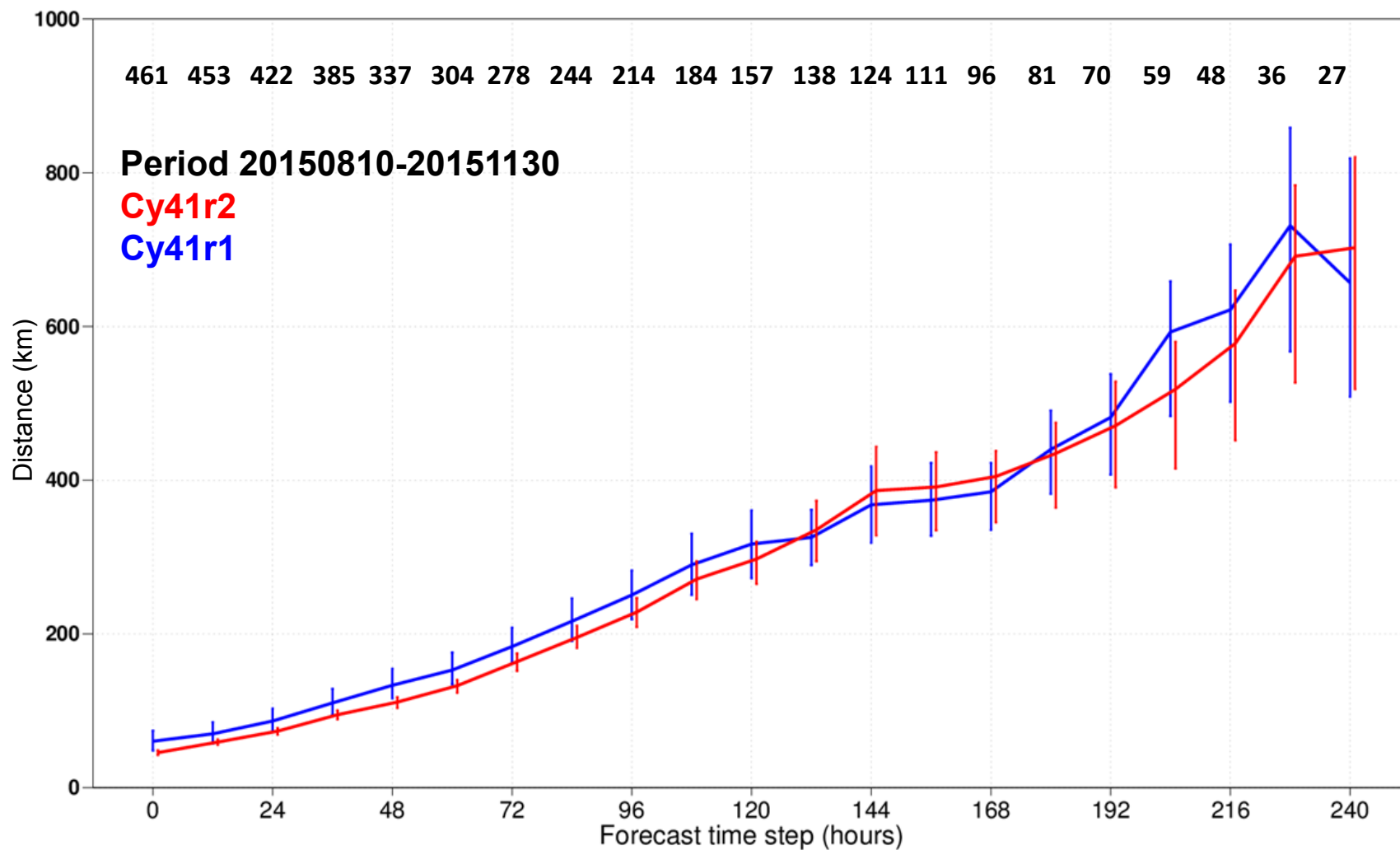
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# Contents of IFS cycle 41r2 -2

- Significant revision to the specification of statistics used in the HRES data assimilation due to the increased resolution of the EDA and the introduction of scale-dependence of the hybrid B (climatological and EDA), thereby relying more on the EDA "errors of the day" for the smaller scales.
- Improvements in the use and coverage of assimilated satellite data due to changes in observation selection and error representation (for GPS radio occultation data, all-sky microwave, AMSU-A, IASI and AMVs) and improved observation operators for radiance data from microwave sounders.

# Tropical cyclone position error



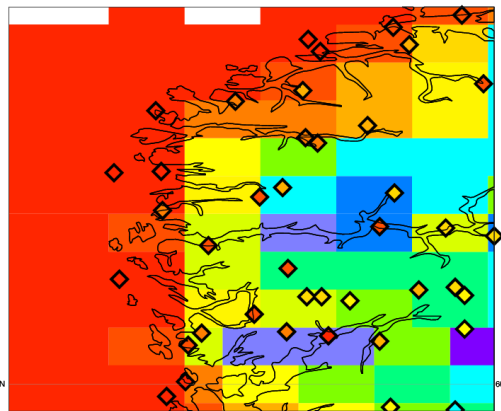
# Contents of IFS cycle 41r2 -3

- The stability of the semi-Lagrangian scheme near strong wind gradients is improved, reducing noise downstream of significant orography and in tropical cyclones.
- The radiative heating/cooling at the surface is improved by introducing approximate updates on the full resolution grid at every timestep. This leads to a reduction in 2-metre temperature errors, particularly near coastlines.
- Additionally there are changes to the triggering of deep convection, non-orographic wave drag and improvements to the linear physics in the data assimilation (for gravity wave drag, vertical diffusion and the surface exchange).

## O-suite

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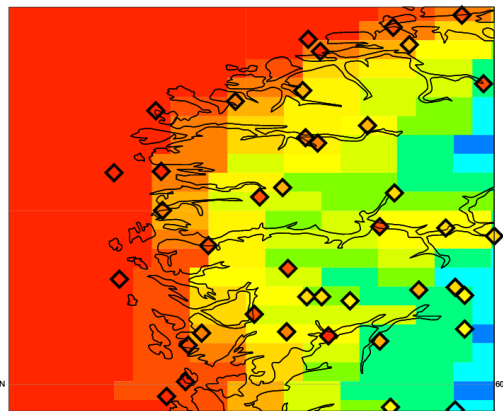
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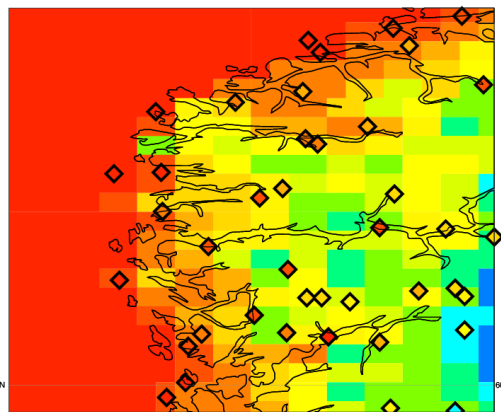
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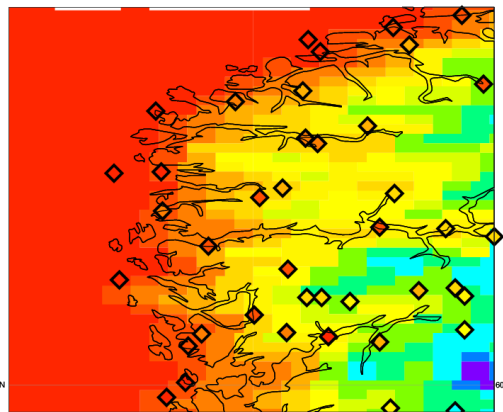
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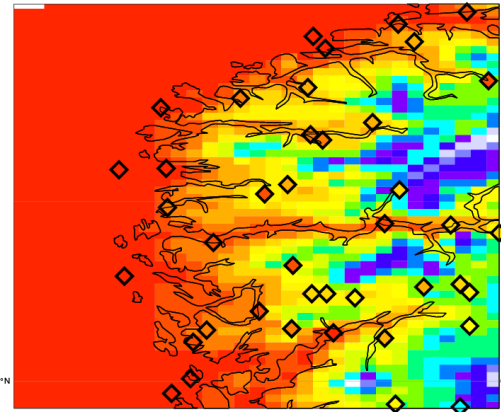
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2-metre temperature western Norway  
12-hour forecast from 7 January 00UTC

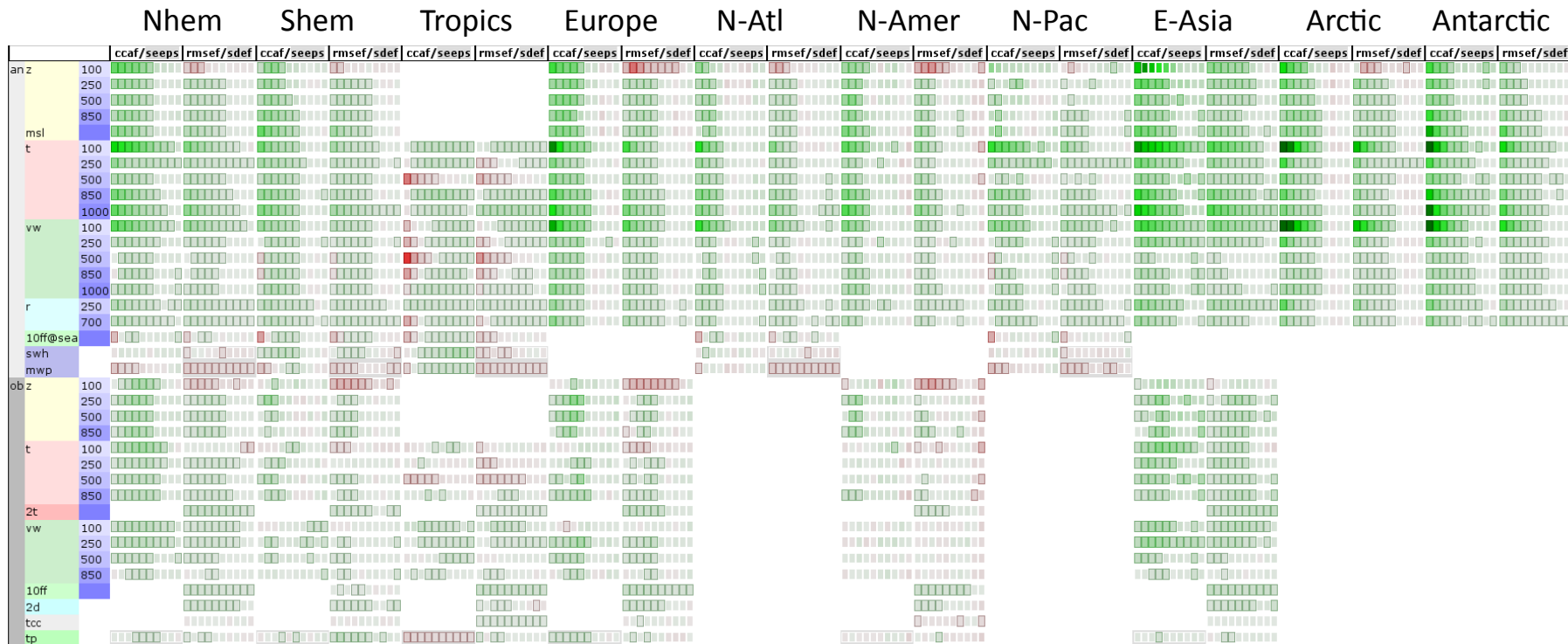
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DMI contribution to TIGGE-LAM



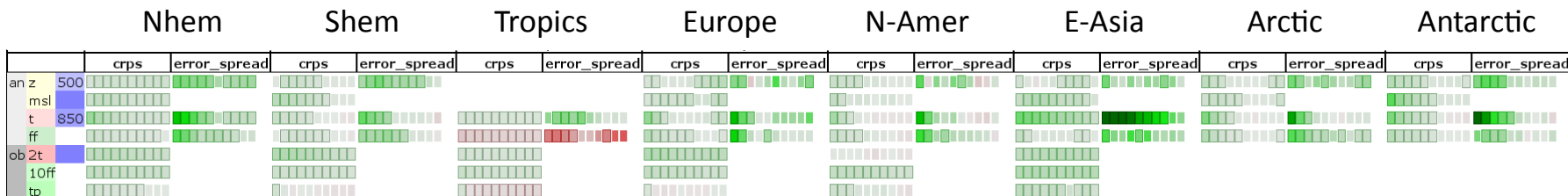
# Cycle 41r2 – HRES scorecard

Evaluation period: 2015-08-09 to 2016-01-19 (164 days)



# Cycle 41r2 – ENS scorecard

Evaluation period: 2015-11-09 to 2016-01-18 (71 days)



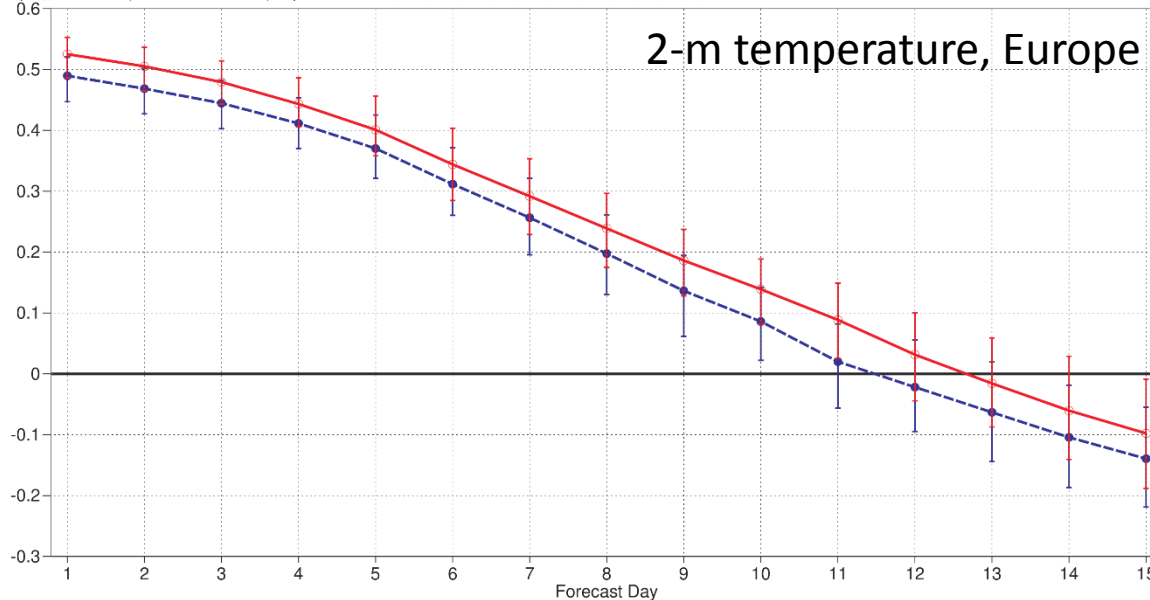
2 meter temperature

Continuous ranked probability skill score

Europe (lat 35.0 to 75.0, lon -12.5 to 42.5)

Date: 20151109 00UTC to 20160111 12UTC

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# Summary

- Resolution upgrade will be a major achievement, providing forecasts at higher resolution (9 km) than any other global NWP centre
- Made possible through coordinated efforts in numerics, physics, data assimilation, HPC, evaluation, diagnostics, software development and scalability efficiency gains
- Significant progress in terms of forecast skill: upper-air, surface and TC-position performance improved