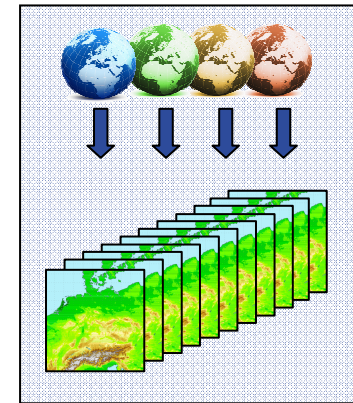
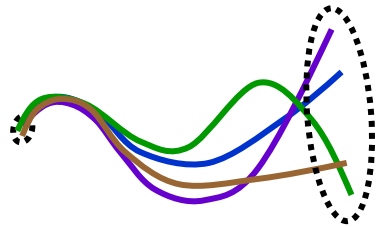


COSMO-DE-EPS

an operational convection permitting ensemble prediction system for the atmosphere



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Outline

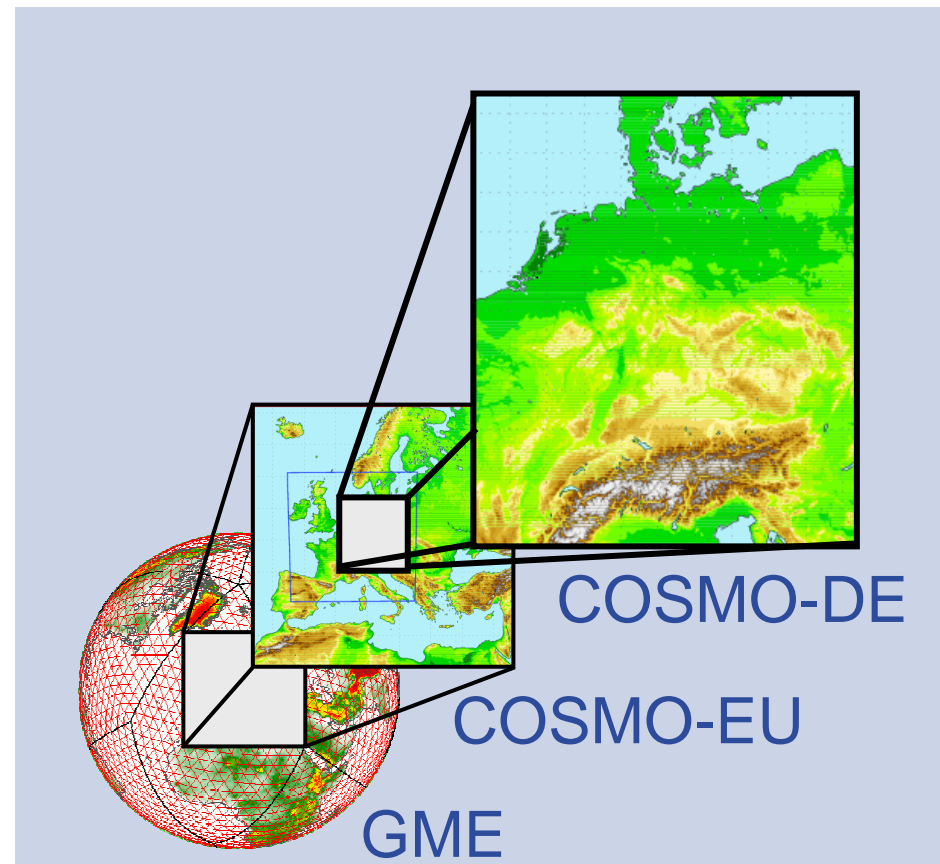
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operational set-up and member generation of COSMO-DE-EPS
- **Characteristics of COSMO-DE-EPS**
 - case study
 - verification results
- **broad overview of next steps**
- **example of an application**



NWP Model COSMO-DE

(COSMO: Consortium for Small-scale Modeling)

- grid size 2.8 km
- no parameterization of deep convection
(convection permitting)
- assimilation of radar data
- complex scheme for microphysics
- forecast range: 0-21 hours, 8 times a day (00, 03 UTC,...)



operational set-up of **COSMO-DE-EPS**:

→ **20 members**

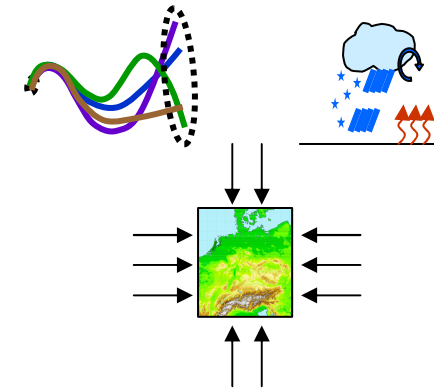
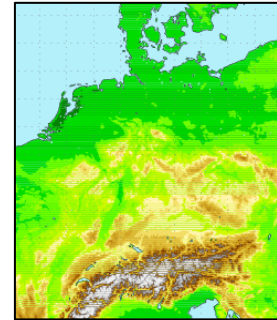
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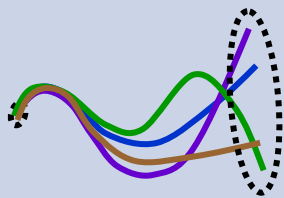
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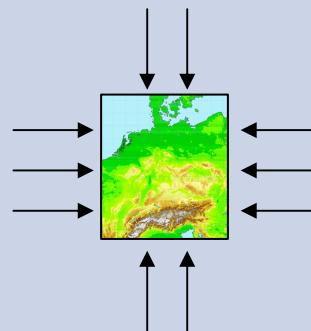
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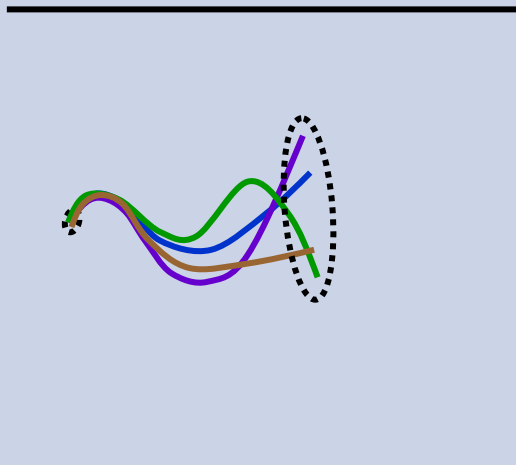
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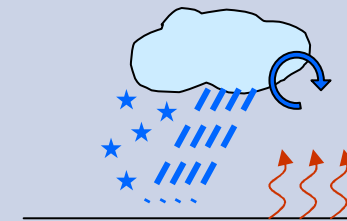
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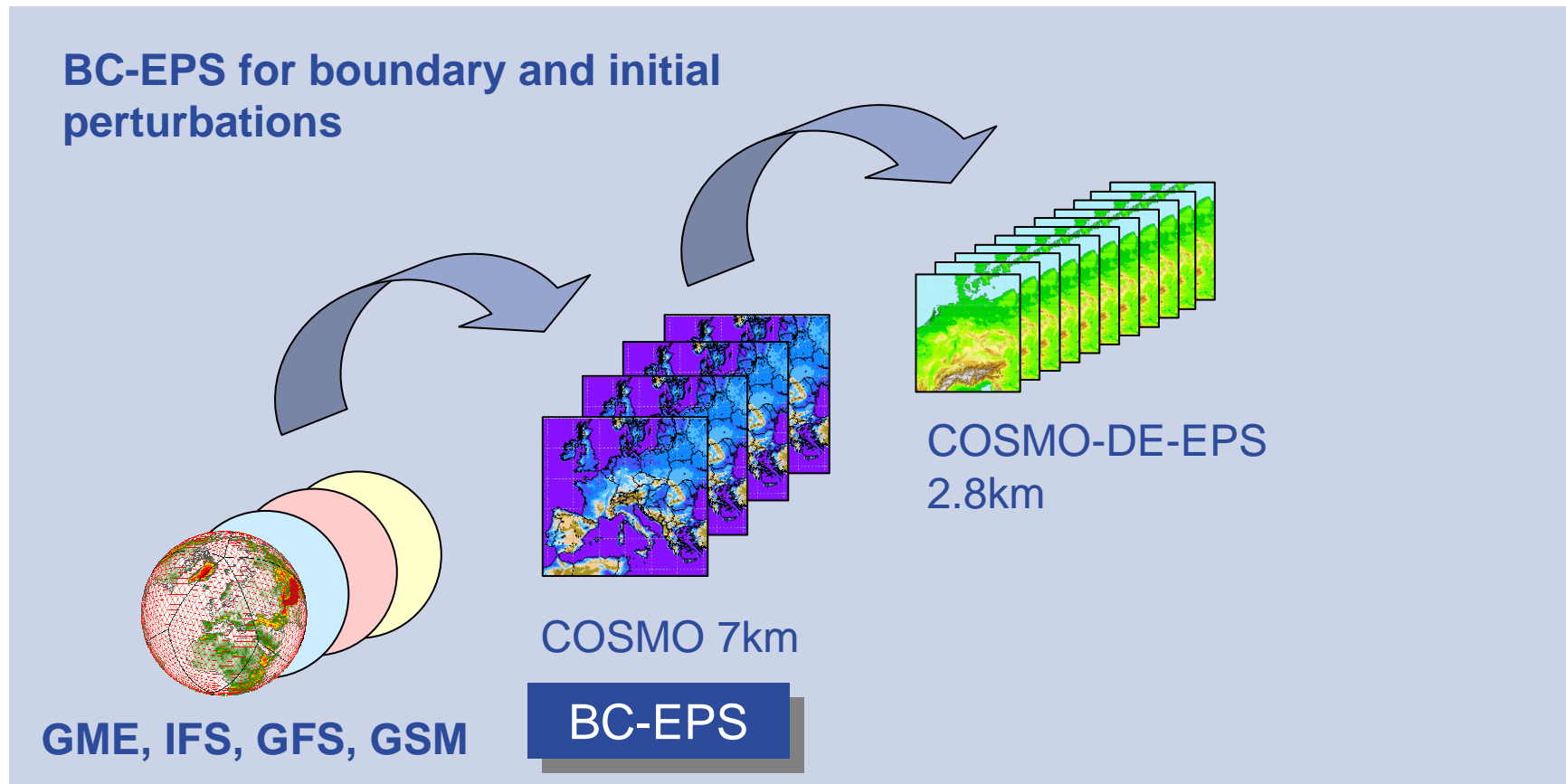
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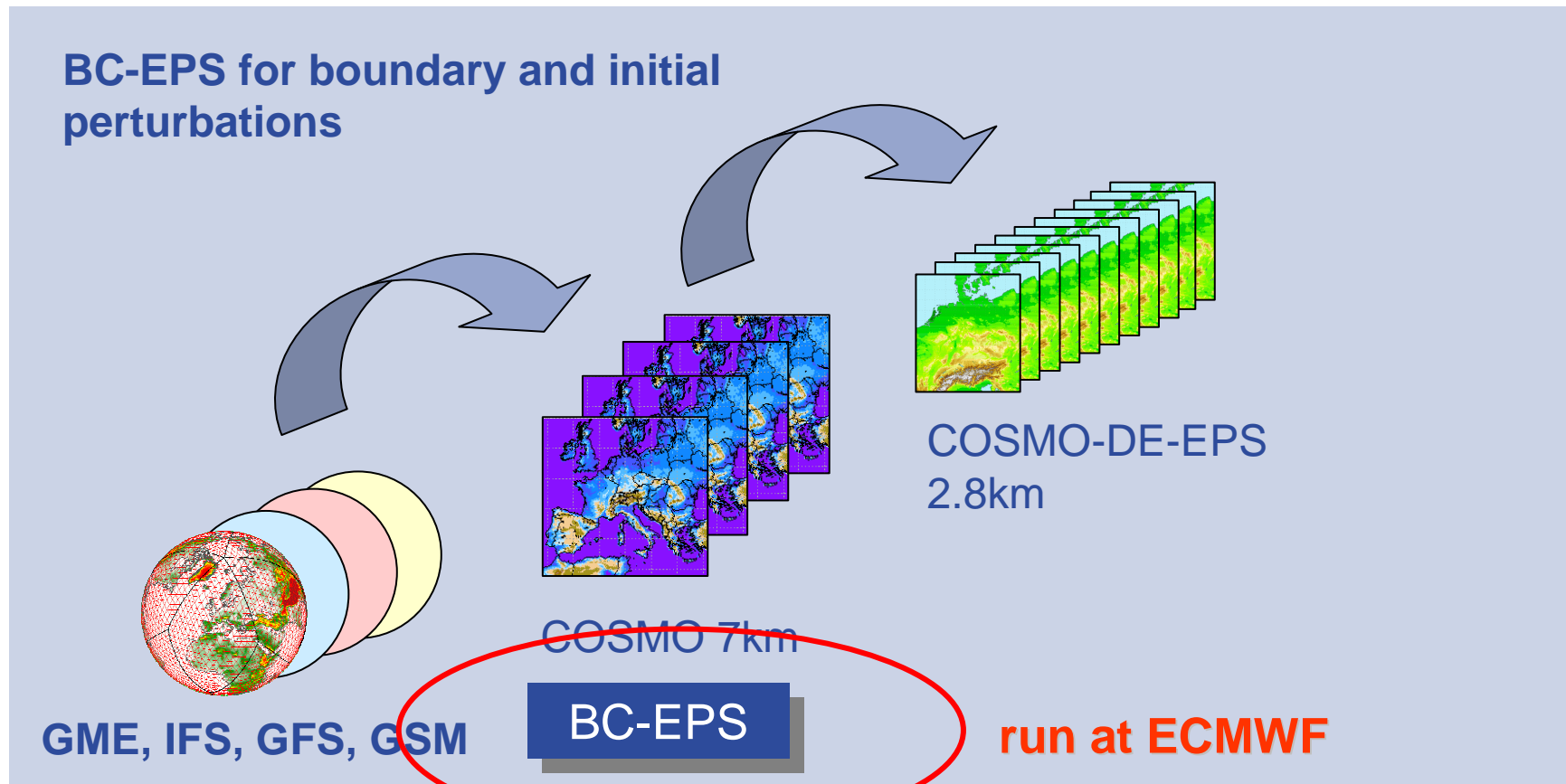
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focus on estimating the forecast uncertainty of **convective precipitation** (summer)

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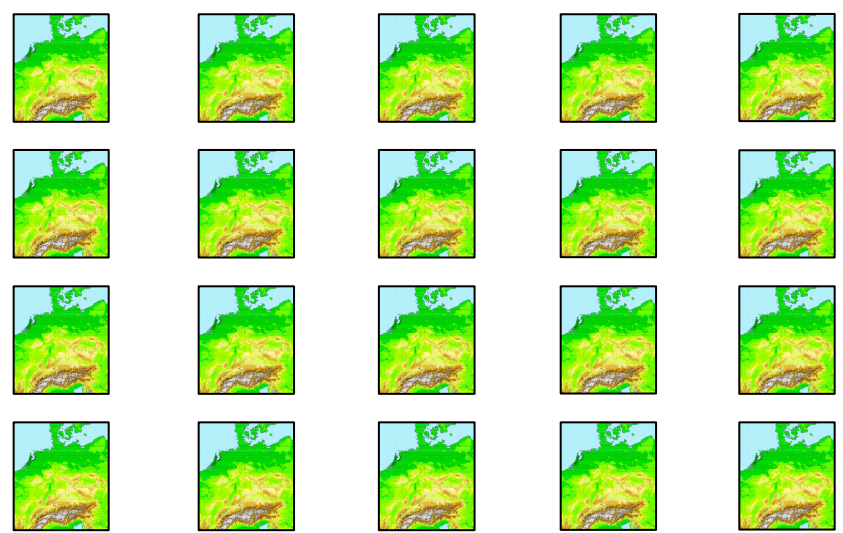
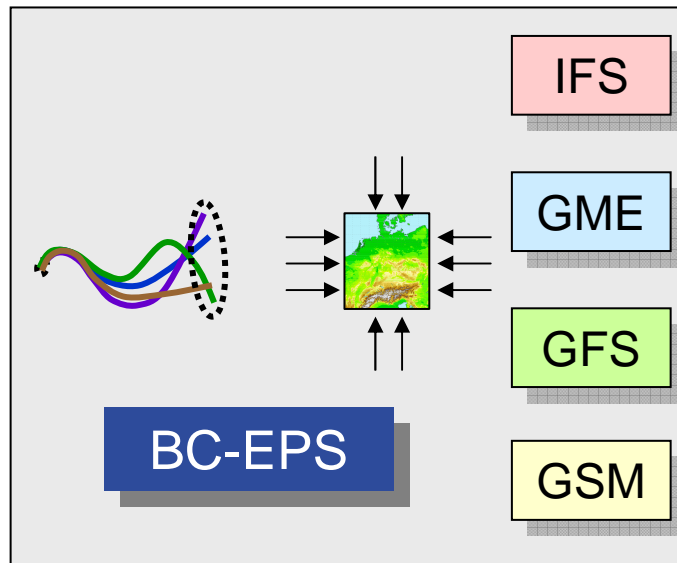
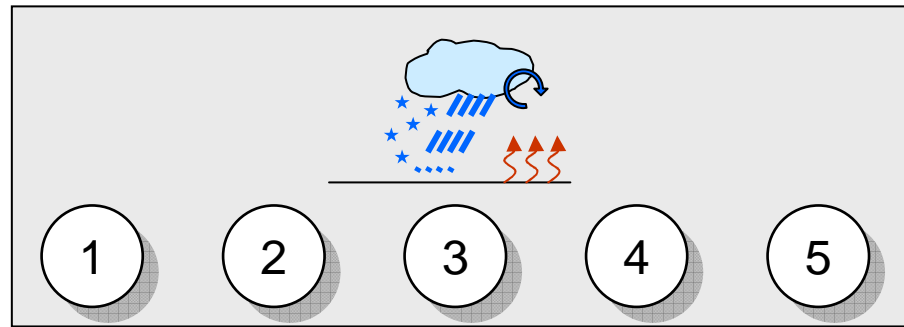
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“multi-configurations”

variation of parameters in model physics
(non-stochastic, one fixed perturbation per member)



The 20 members of COSMO-DE-EPS



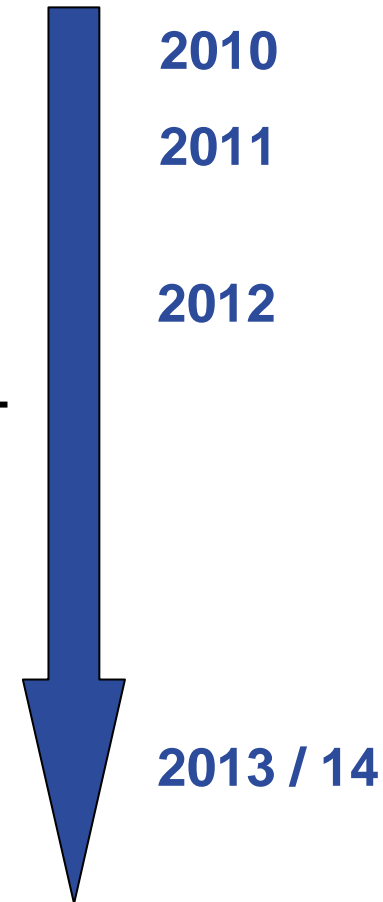


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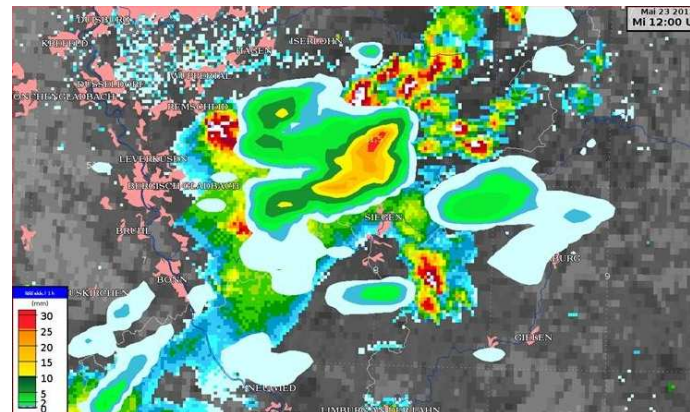
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on **22nd May 2012**

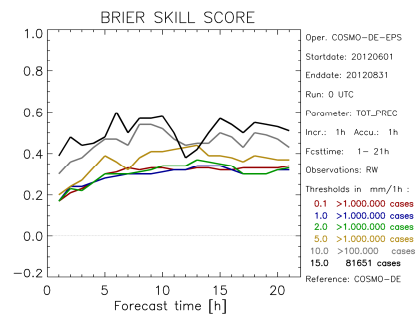


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Case study of 23rd May 2012, 12UTC (just to welcome the COSMO-DE-EPS ☺)

- severe precipitation event in Germany (North Rhine-Westphalia & Hesse)
- hourly precipitation up to 40 mm/h
- hail, thunderstorm, minor flooding and landslides

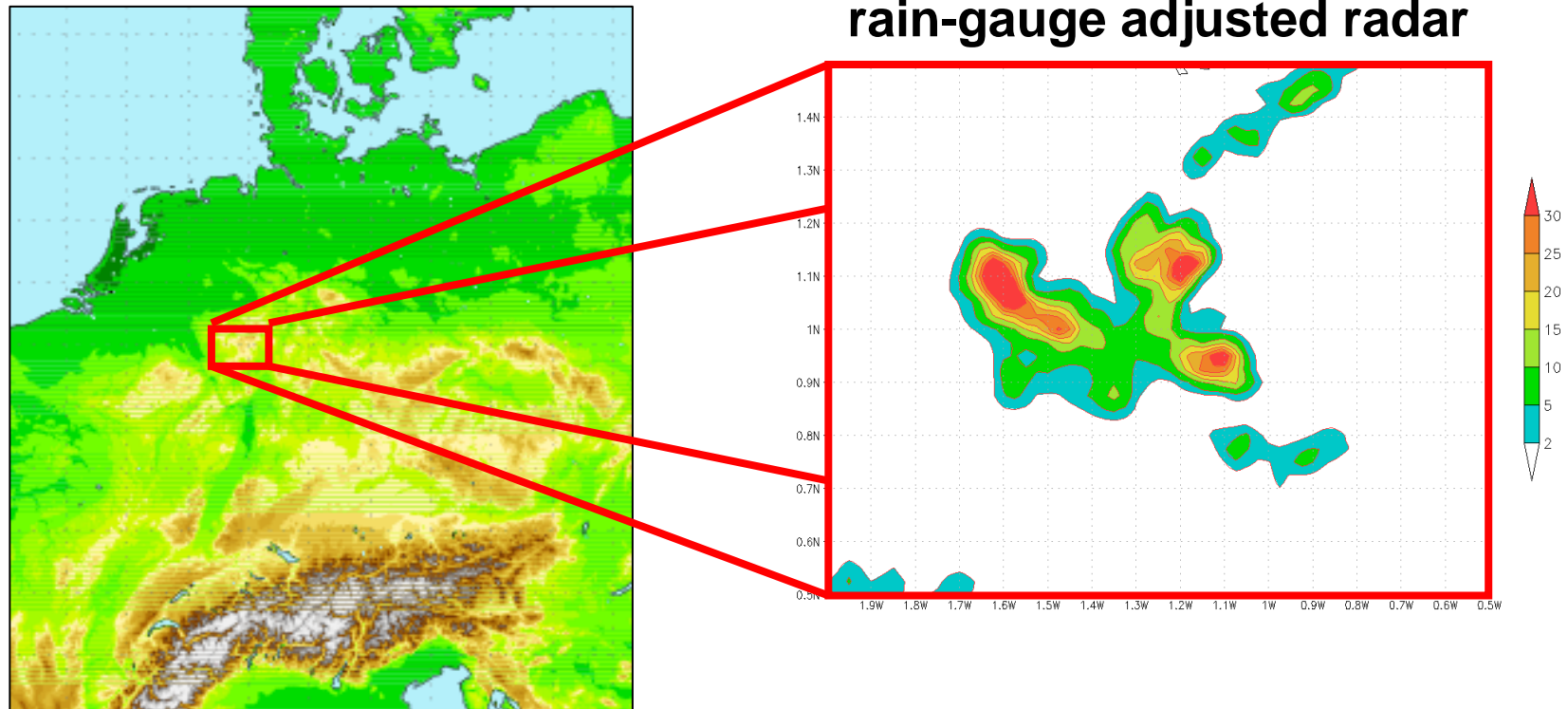


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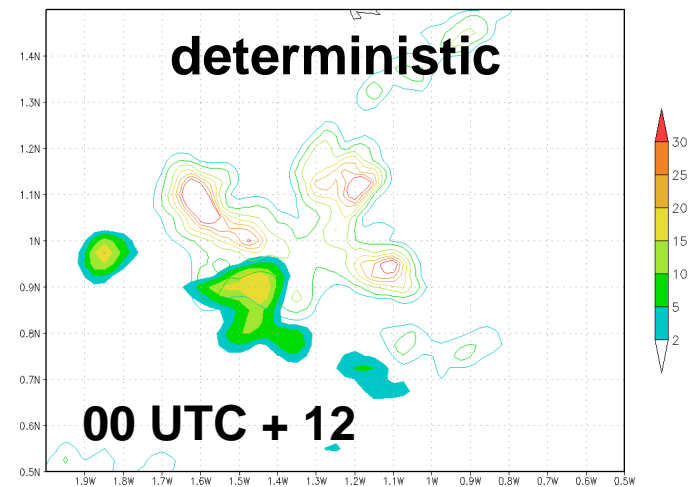
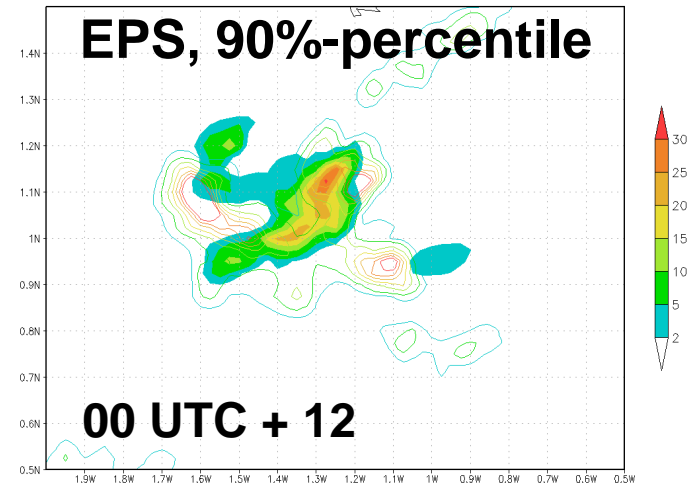
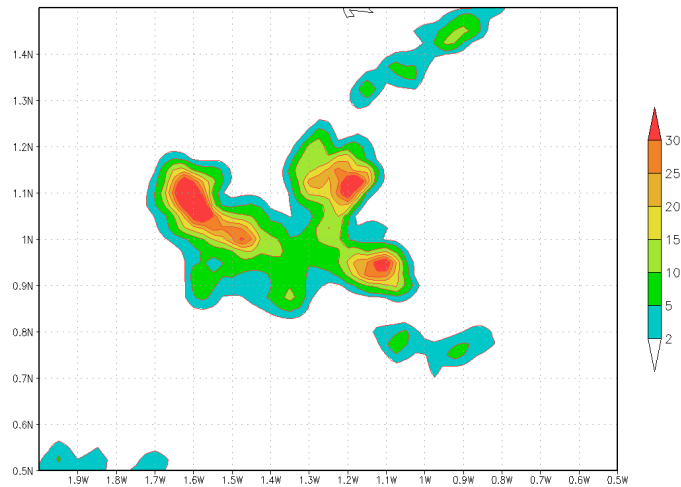
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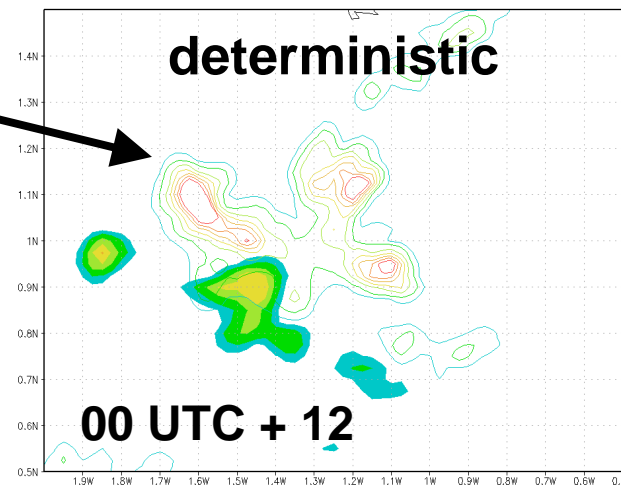
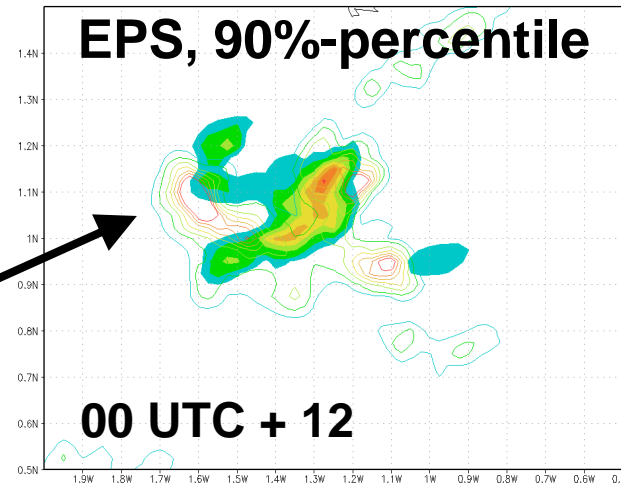
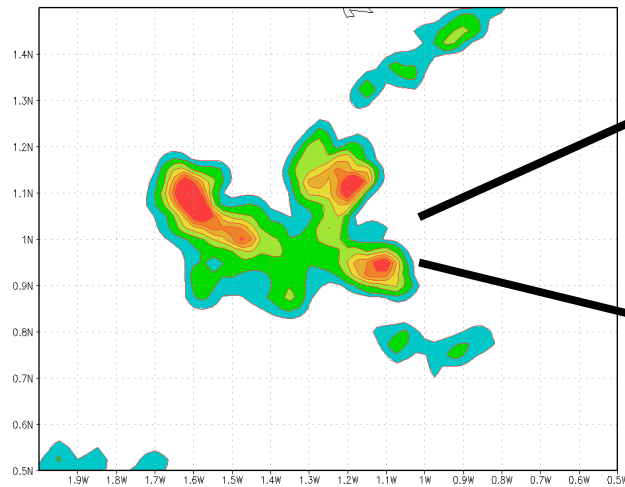
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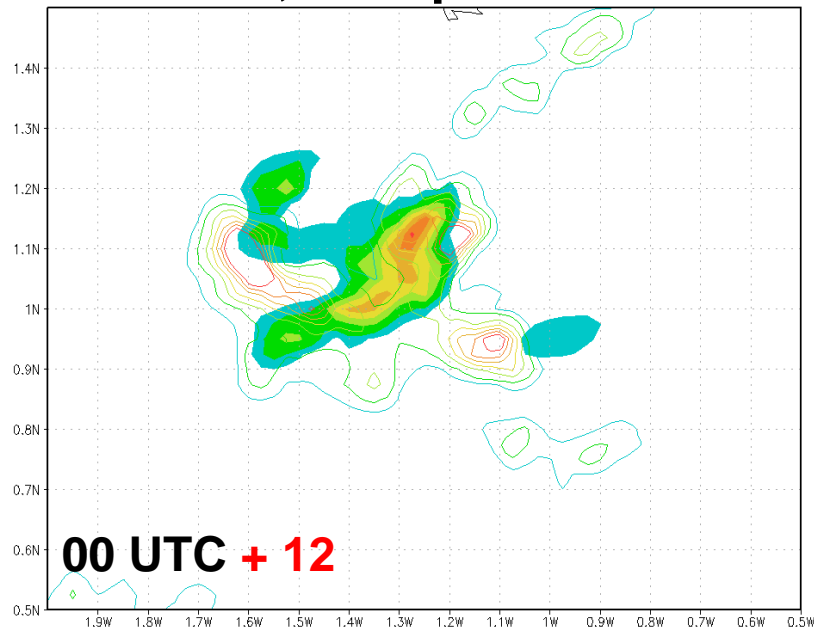
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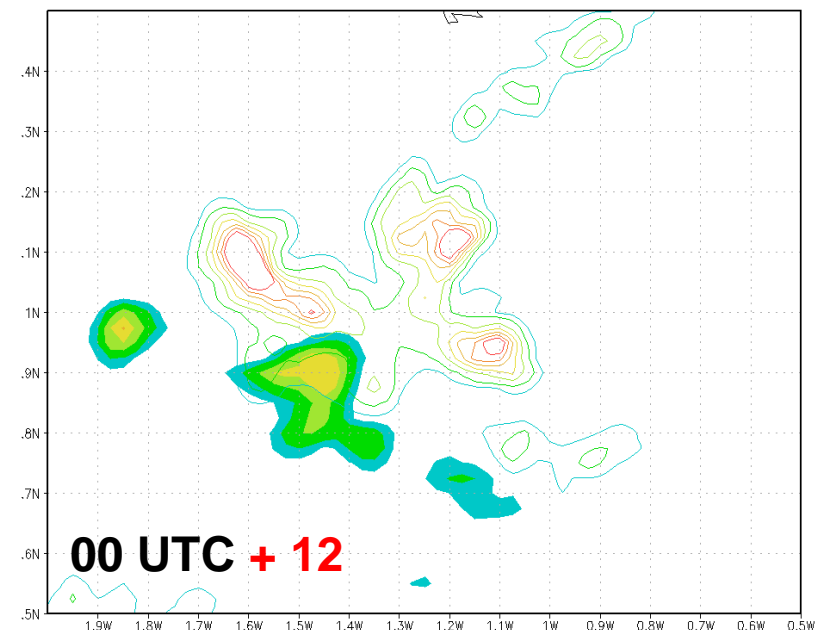


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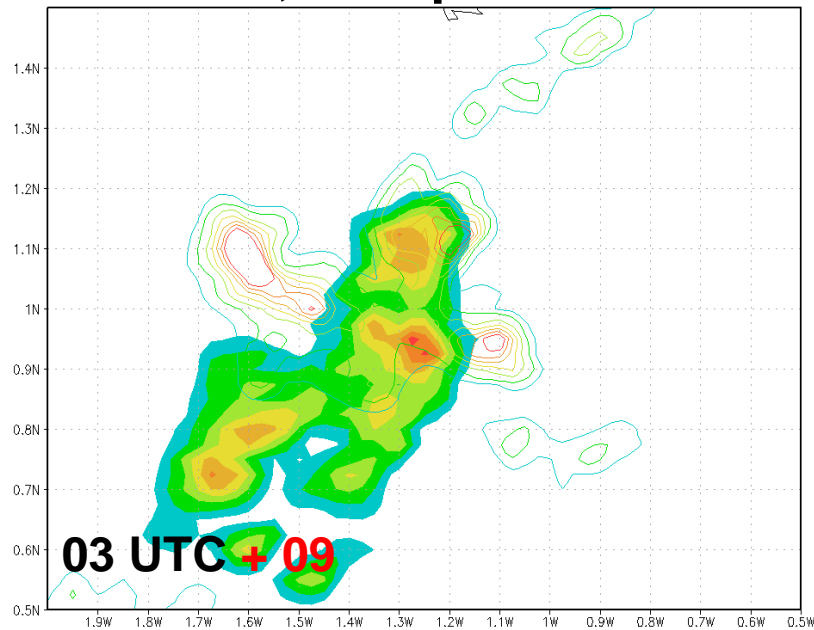


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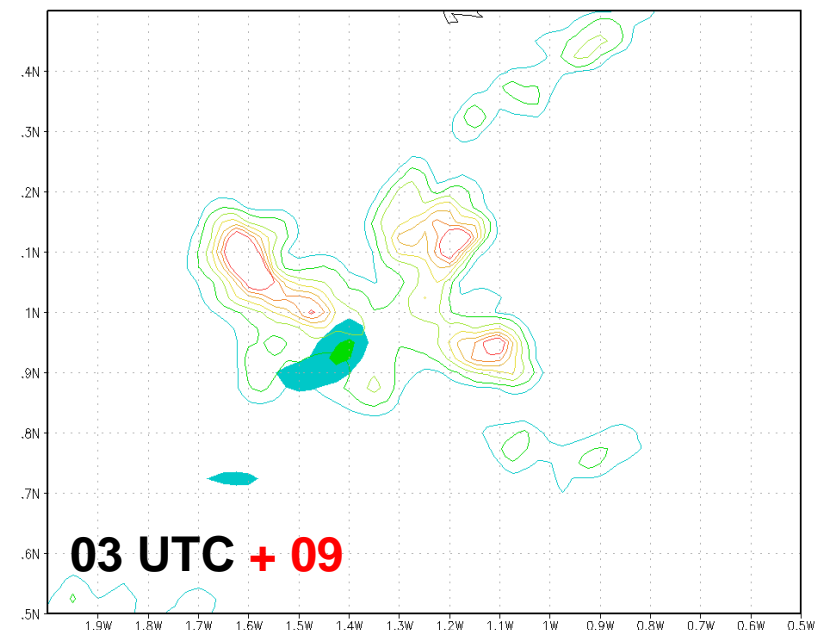


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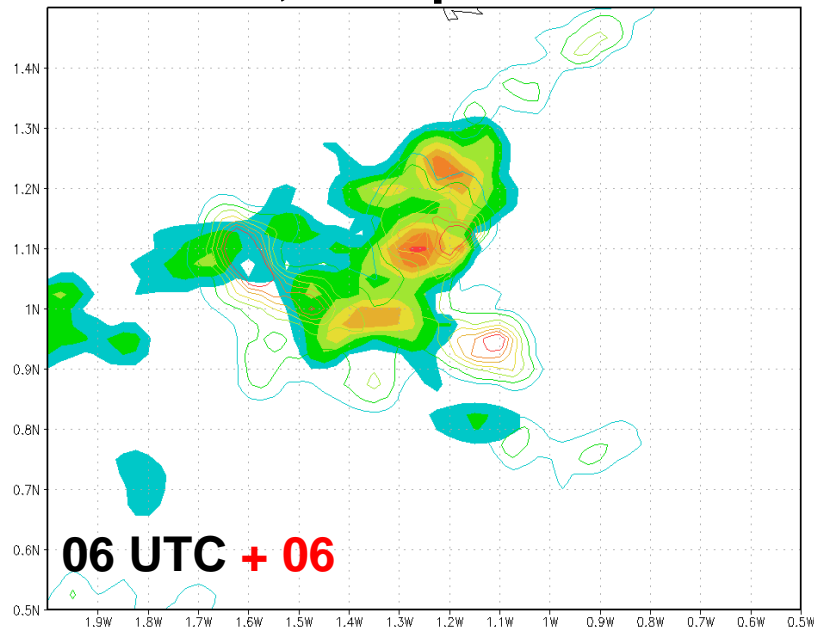


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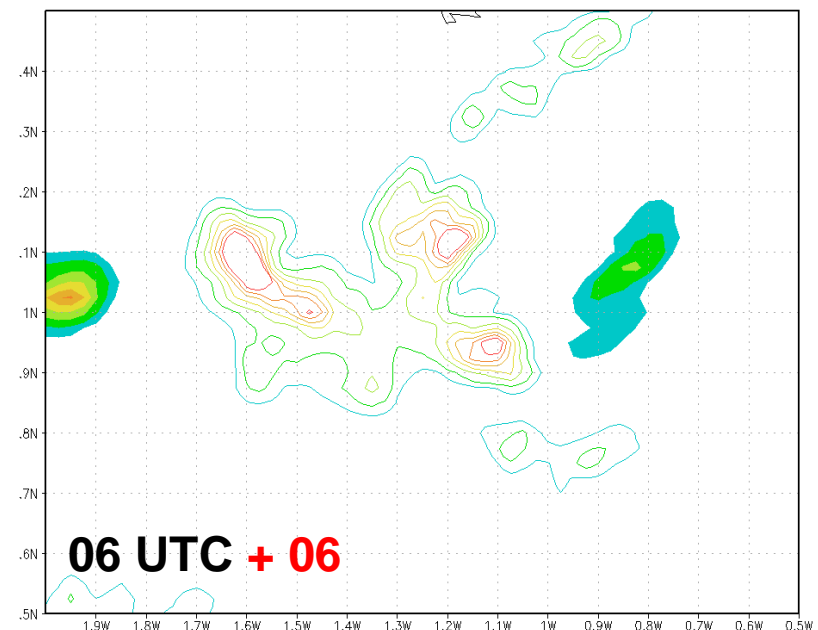


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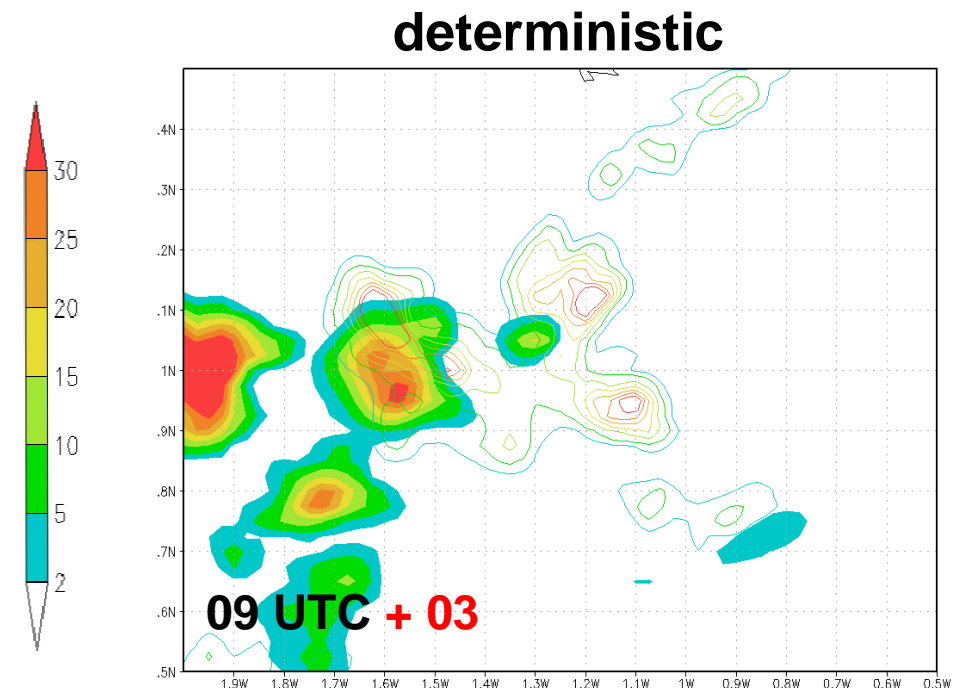
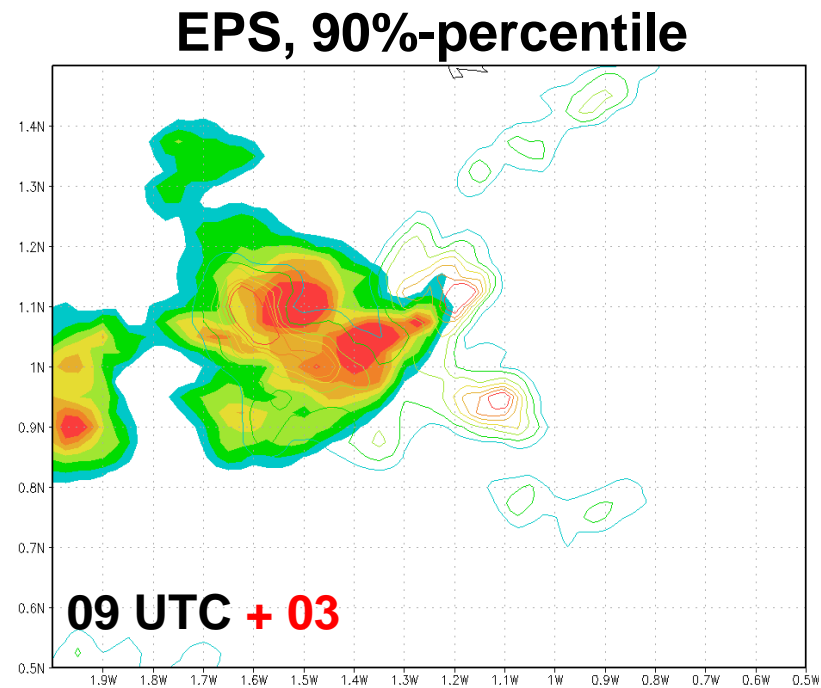
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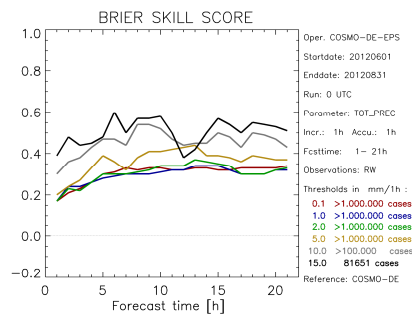
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VERIFICATION OF COSMO-DE-EPS

all results for hourly precipitation

summer 2012

winter 2011/12

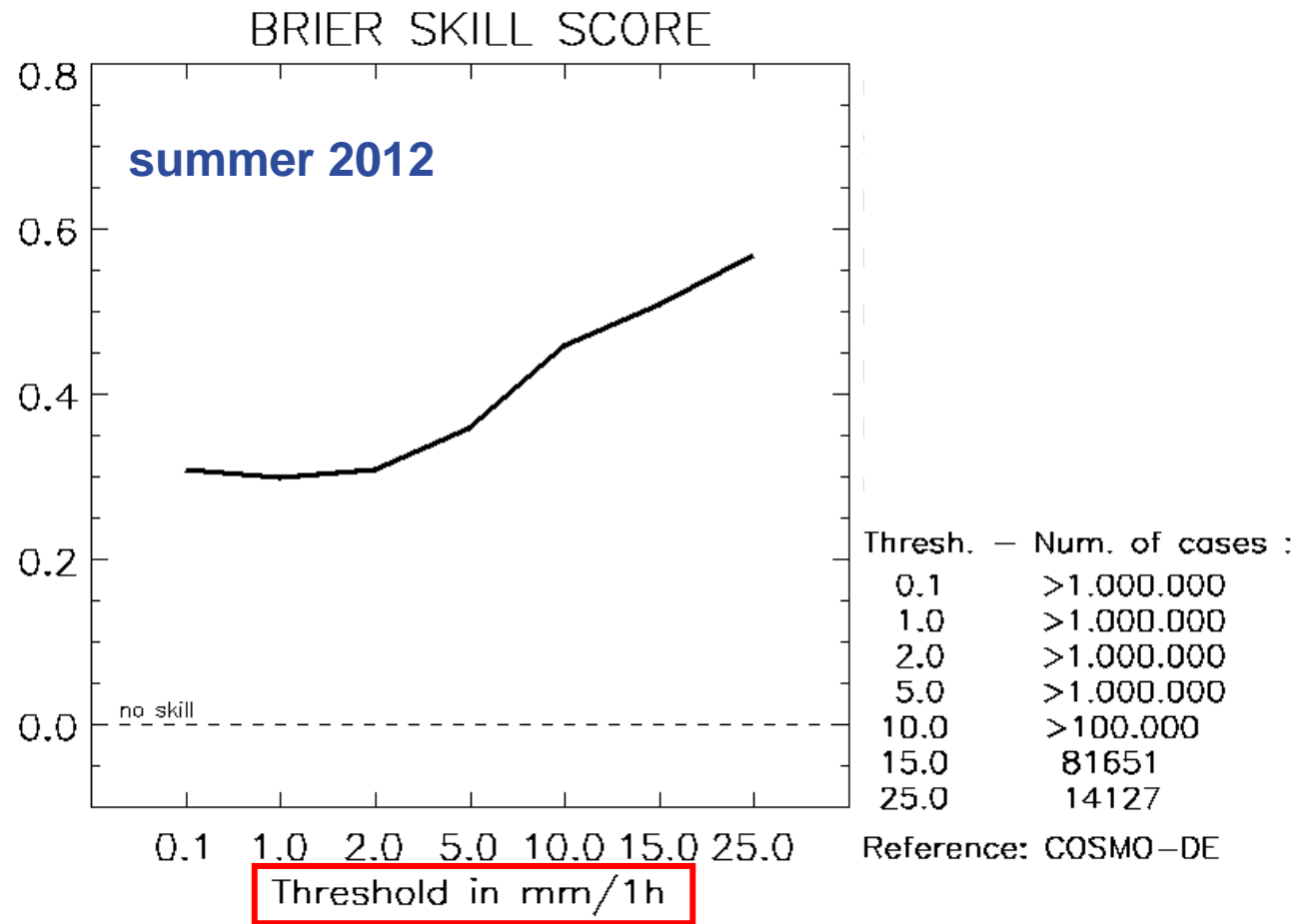
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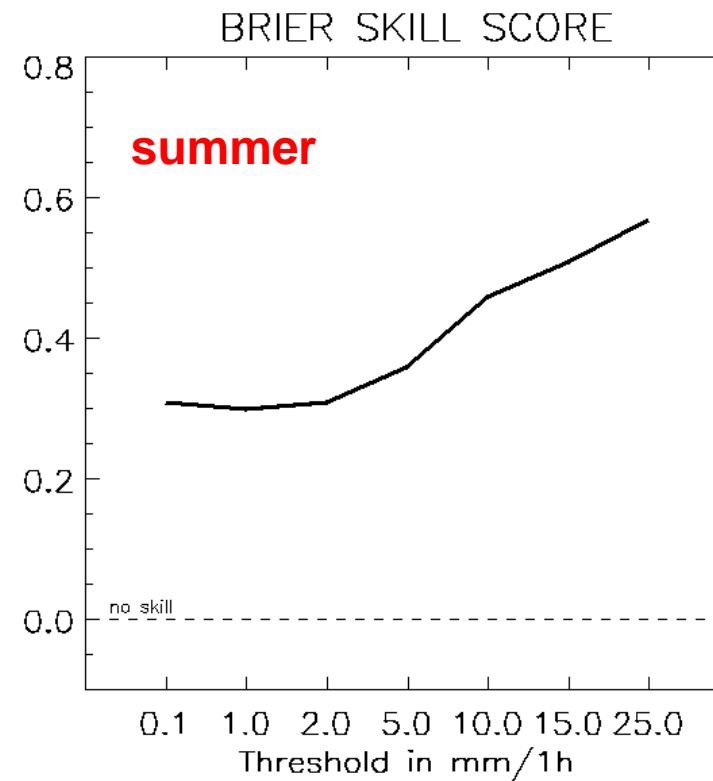
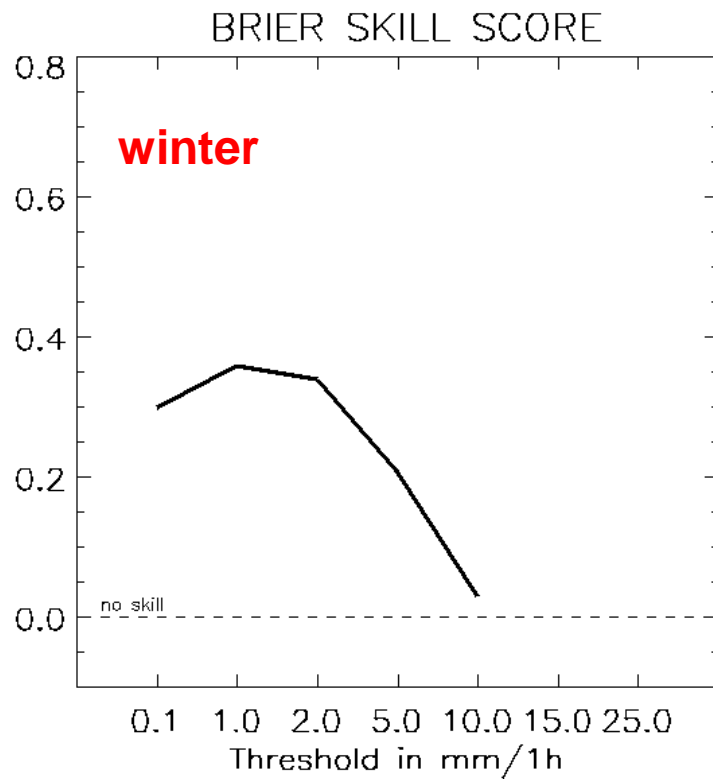
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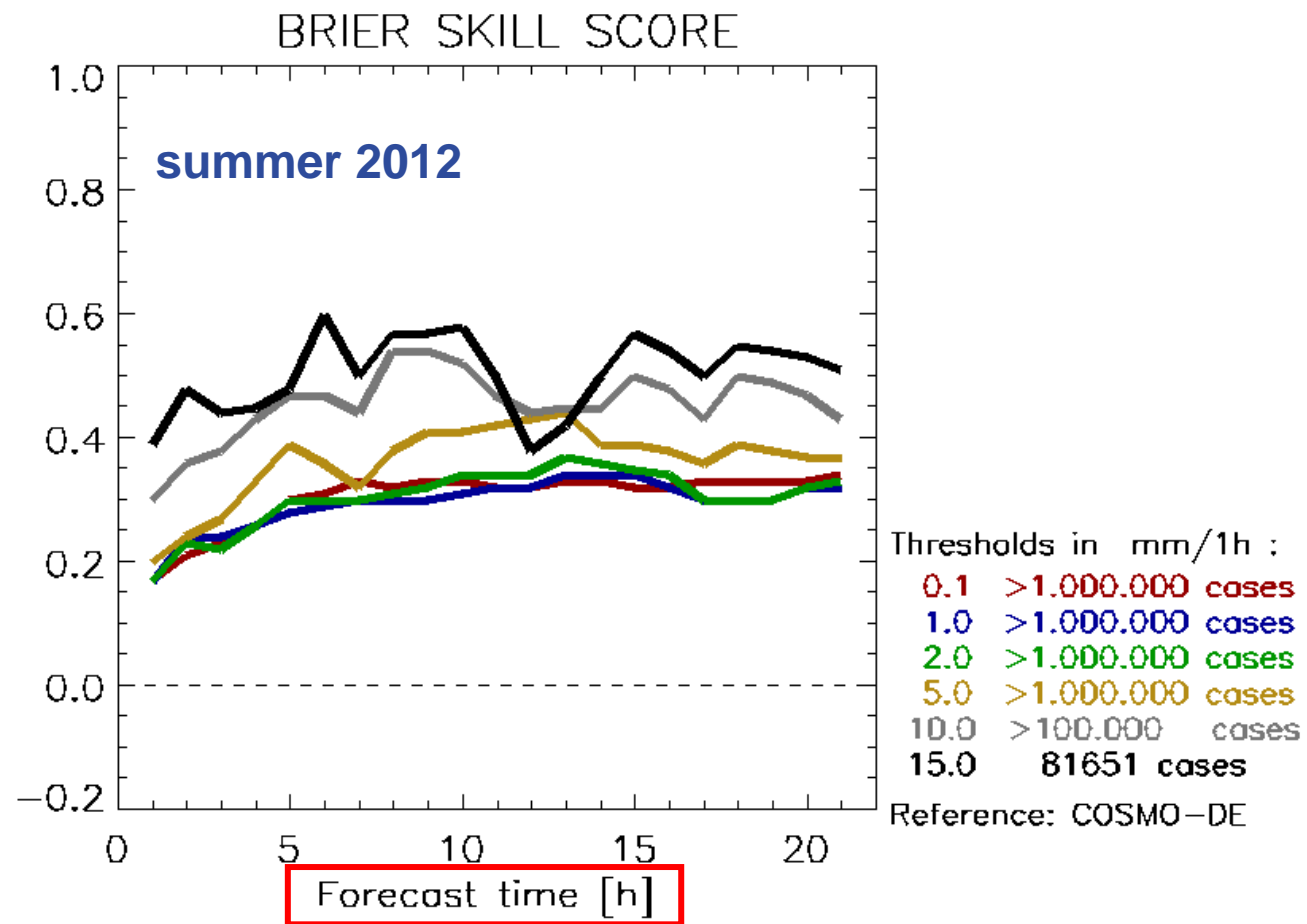
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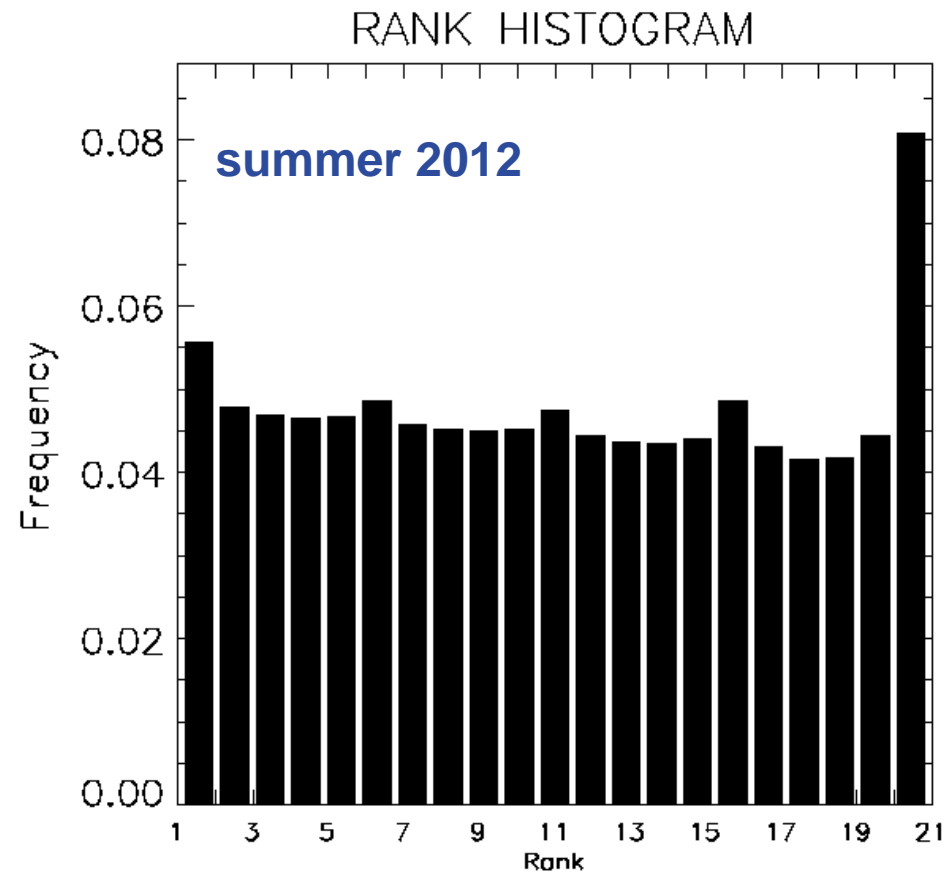
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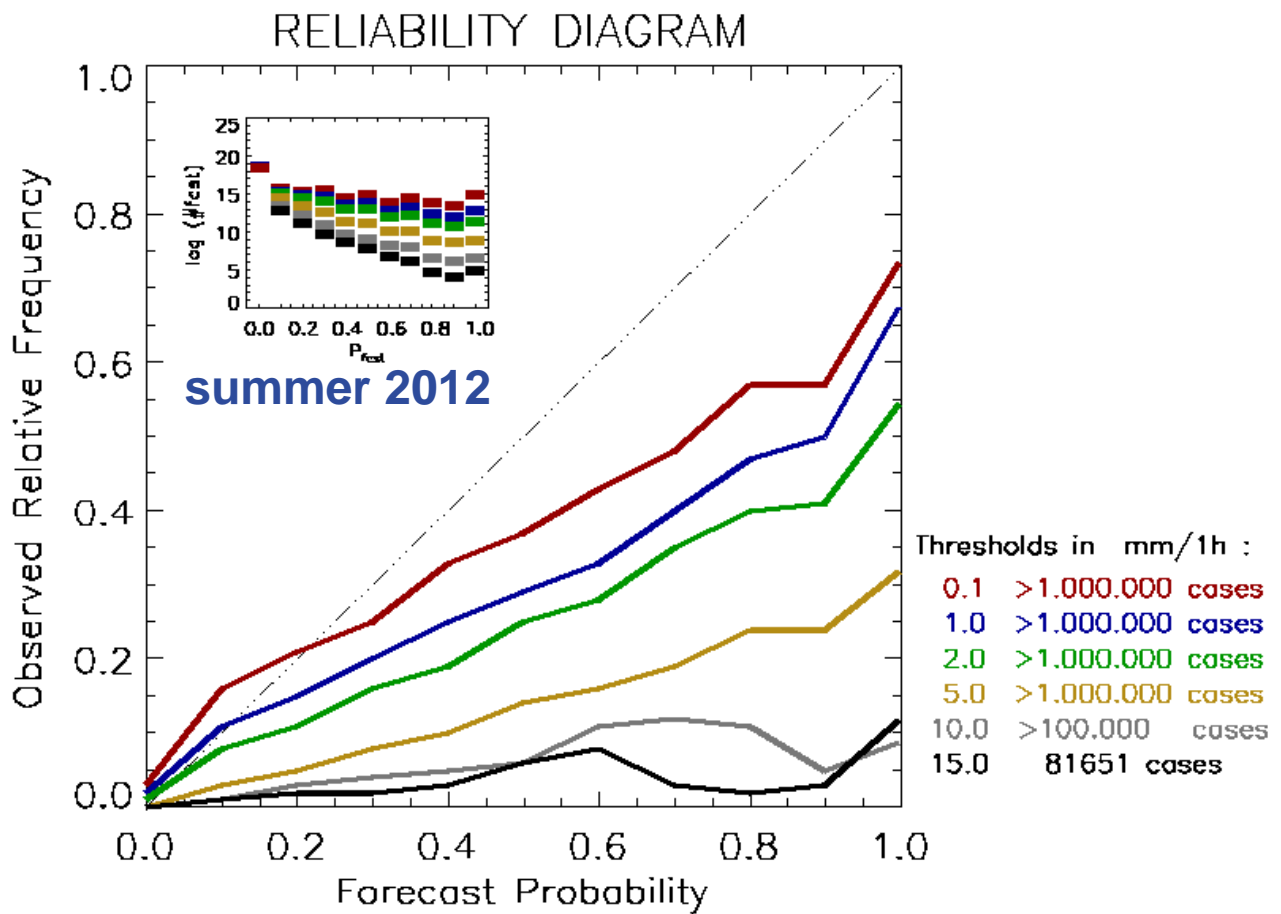
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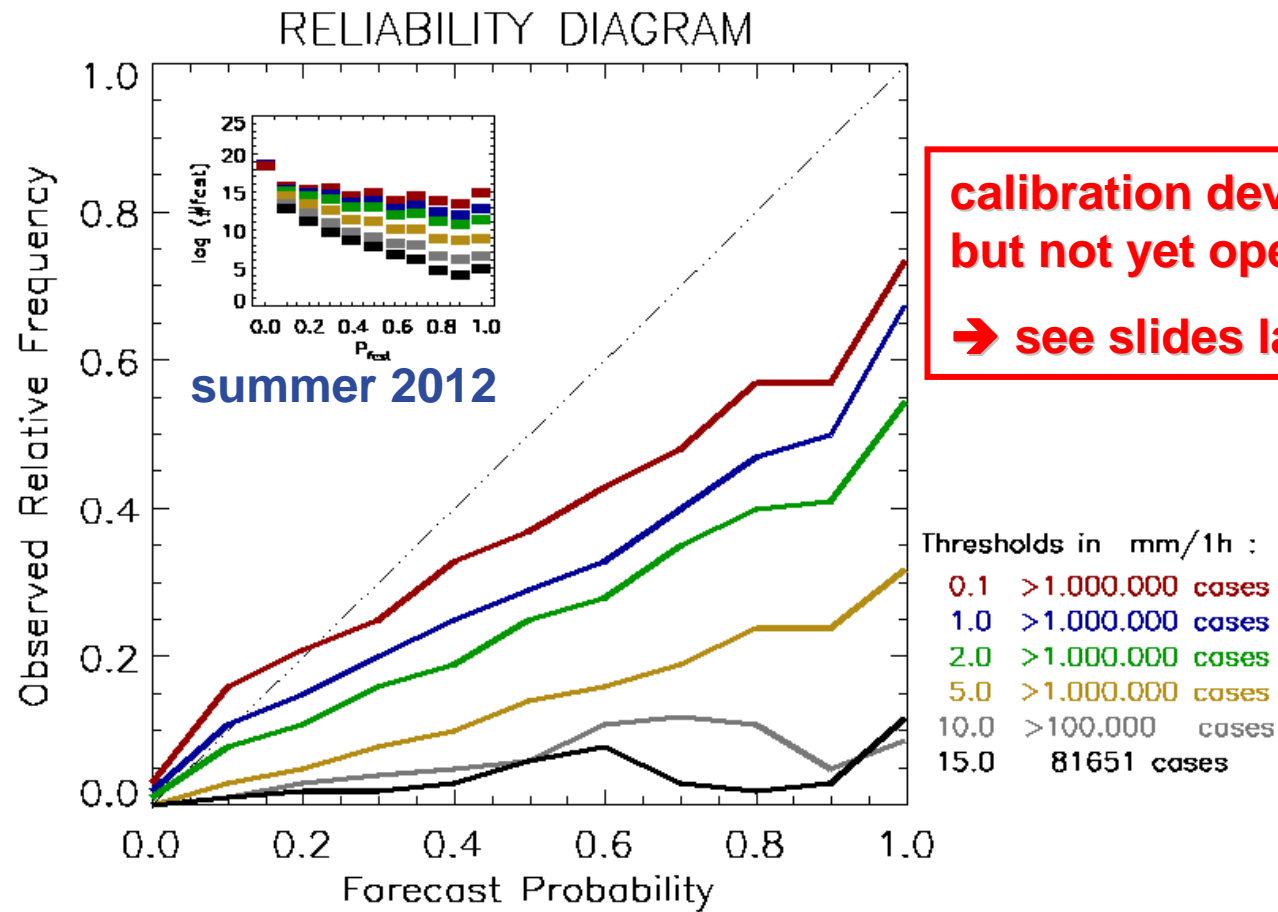
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reliability diagram



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calibration developed
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→ see slides later on



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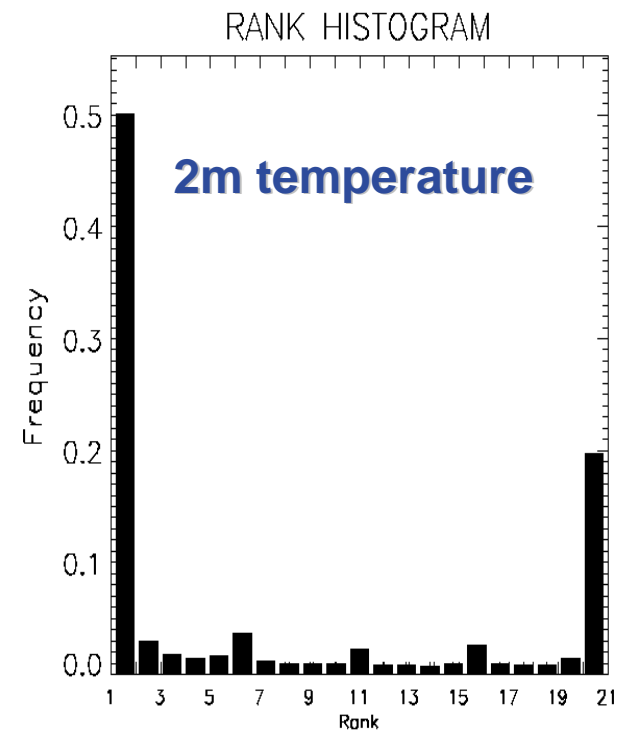
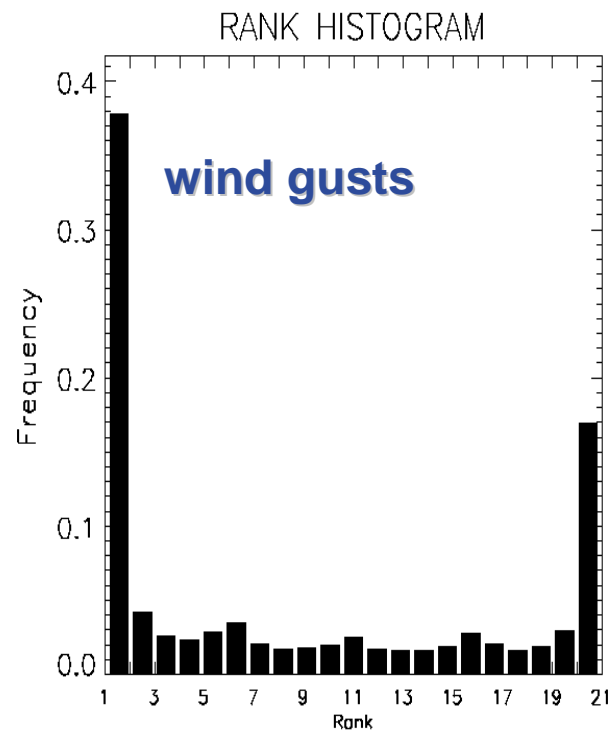
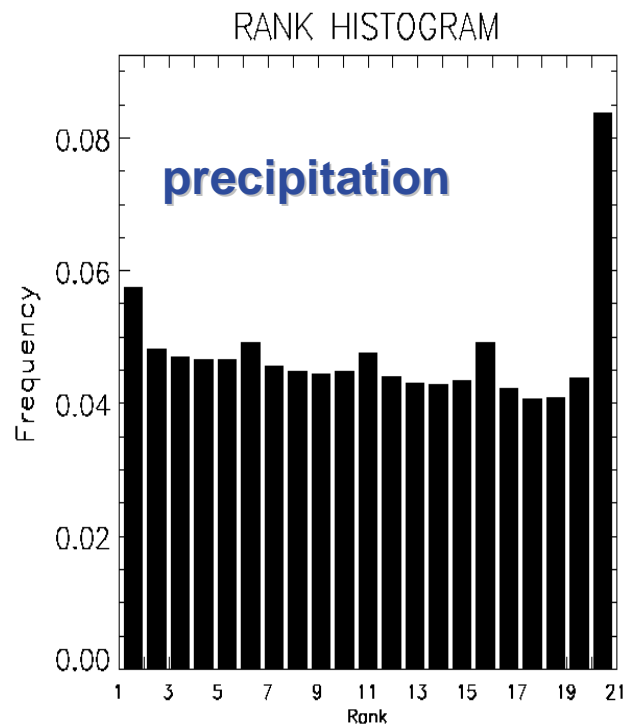
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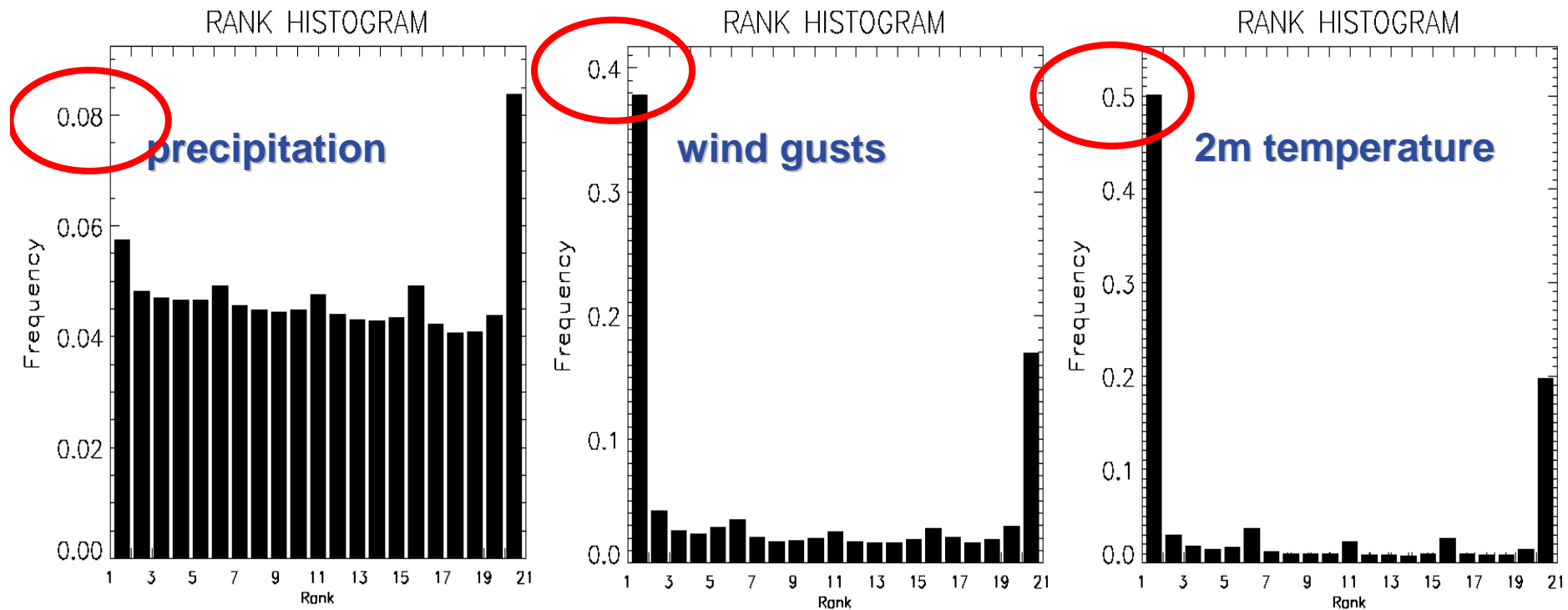
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 - probabilities perform better than deterministic “yes/no”
 - particularly for **high precipitation thresholds**
 - particularly for **longer lead times**
 - drawback: underdispersion (esp. for wind gusts and T_2M)



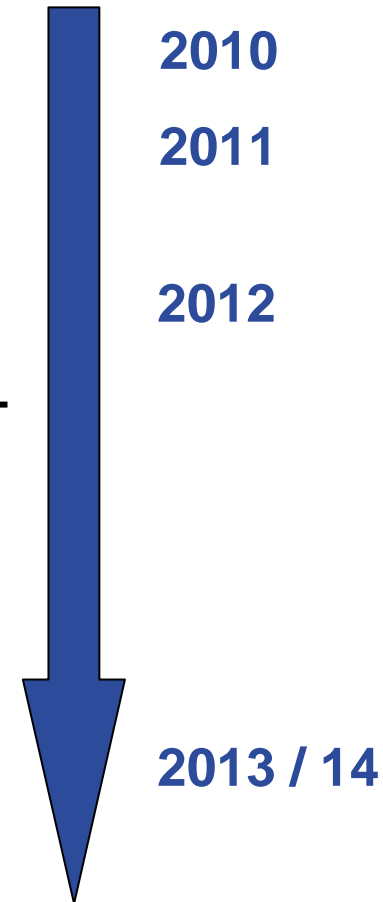
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upgrade to 40 members

- quantify more sources of forecast uncertainty**
- use of COSMO-LEPS members as boundary conditions (COSMO-LEPS is driven by IFS EPS of ECMWF)**
- additional physics perturbations (diffusion, roughness length)**
- perturbation of soil moisture**
- use of COSMO-DE-EPS in research projects dealing with renewable energy**

⇒ poster by Andreas Röpnack





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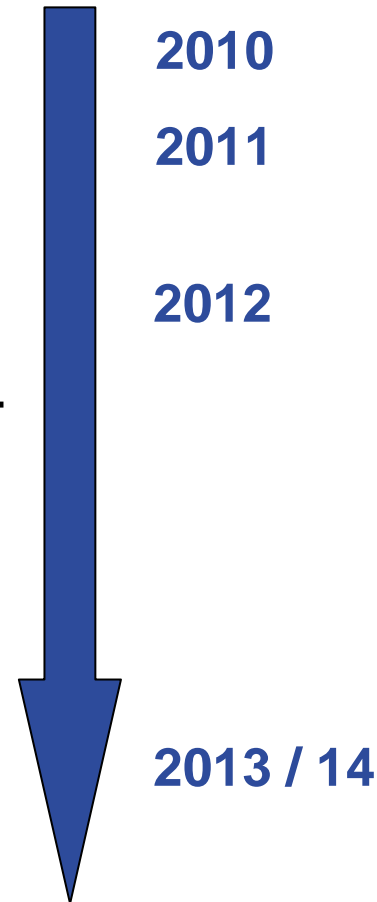
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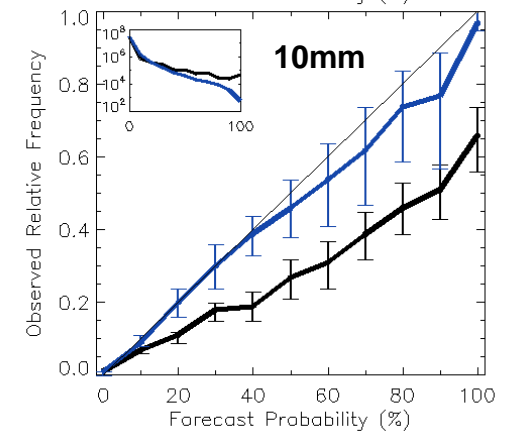
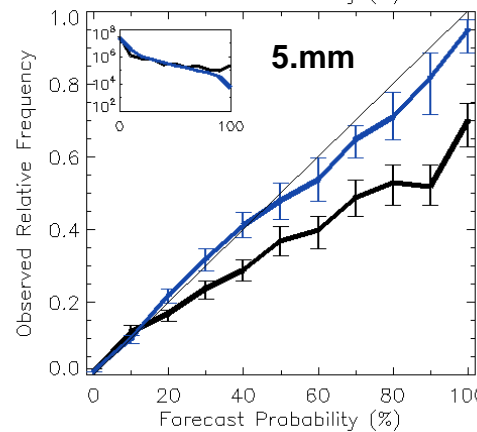
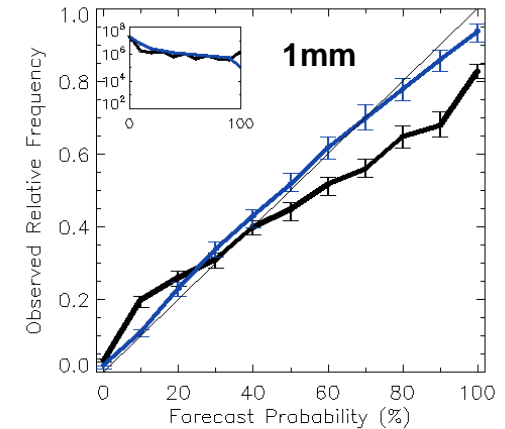
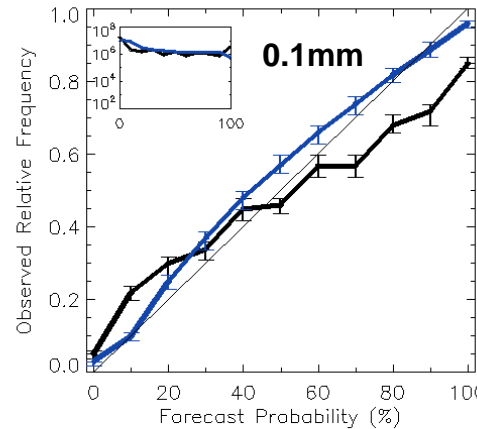


Extended Logistic regression with interaction terms

Predictor: **ensemble mean**
+ power transformation
+ weighting

Training period: 45 days
Daily update
6-hourly precipitation

Original ensemble forecasts
Calibrated ensemble forecasts



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→ **lateral boundary conditions by ICON EPS**

2010

2011

2012

2013 / 14



EPS-based wind forecasts for Frankfurt Airport

Isabel Alberts // Michael Buchhold

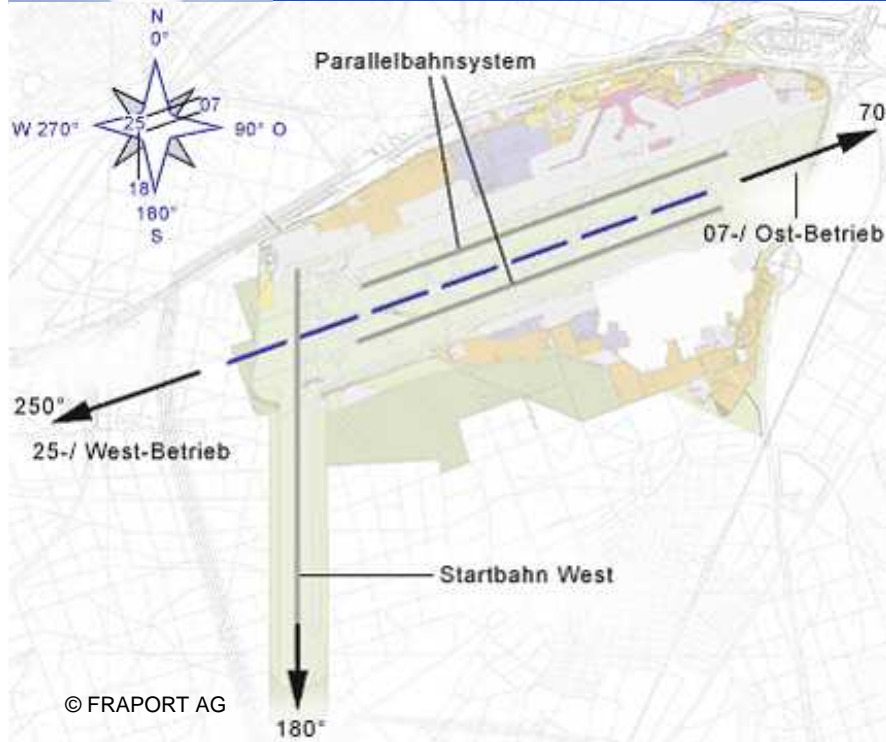


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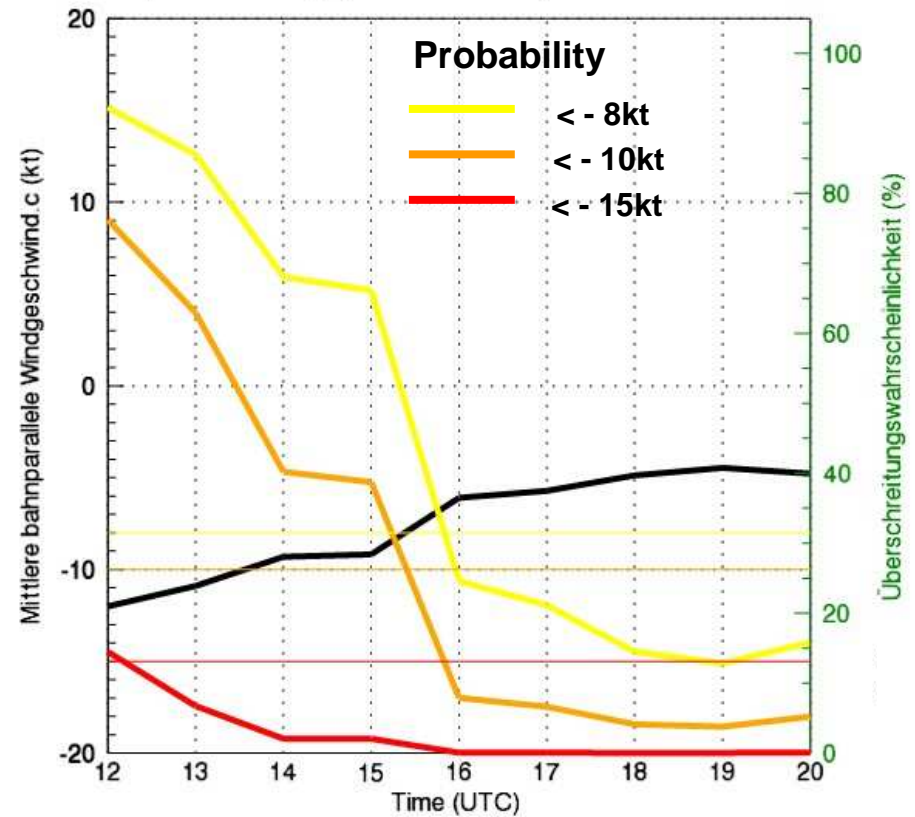


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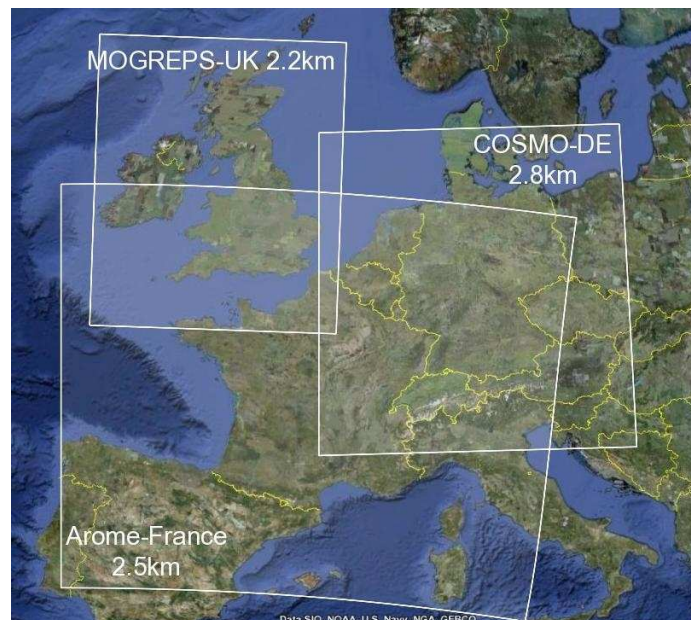


Bahnparalleler Wind (kt) + Ü.wahrscheinl., Modellstart: 2012102712



SESAR Task “Convective Super-EPS”

- Single European Sky Air Traffic Management Research
- Cooperation of Météo France (lead), UK MetOffice and DWD
- provide intercalibrated, probabilistic products for ATM on a combined domain / common grid





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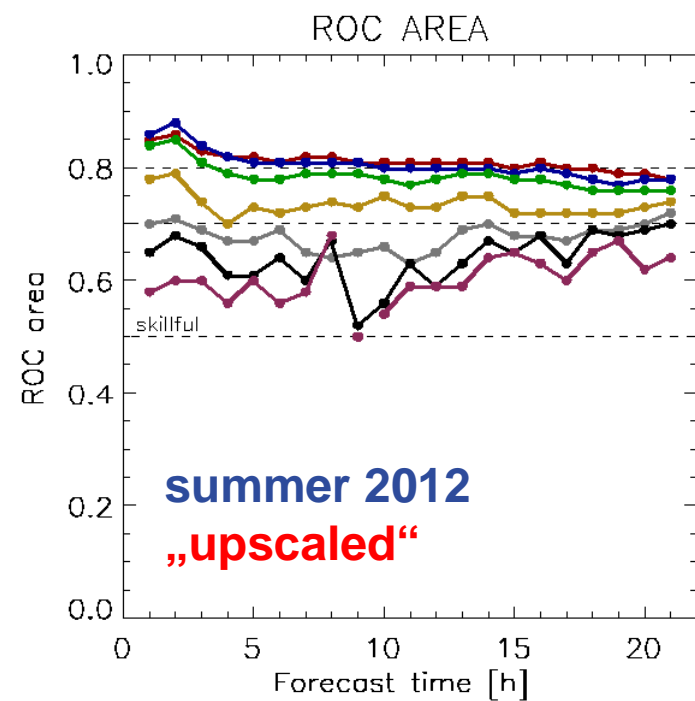
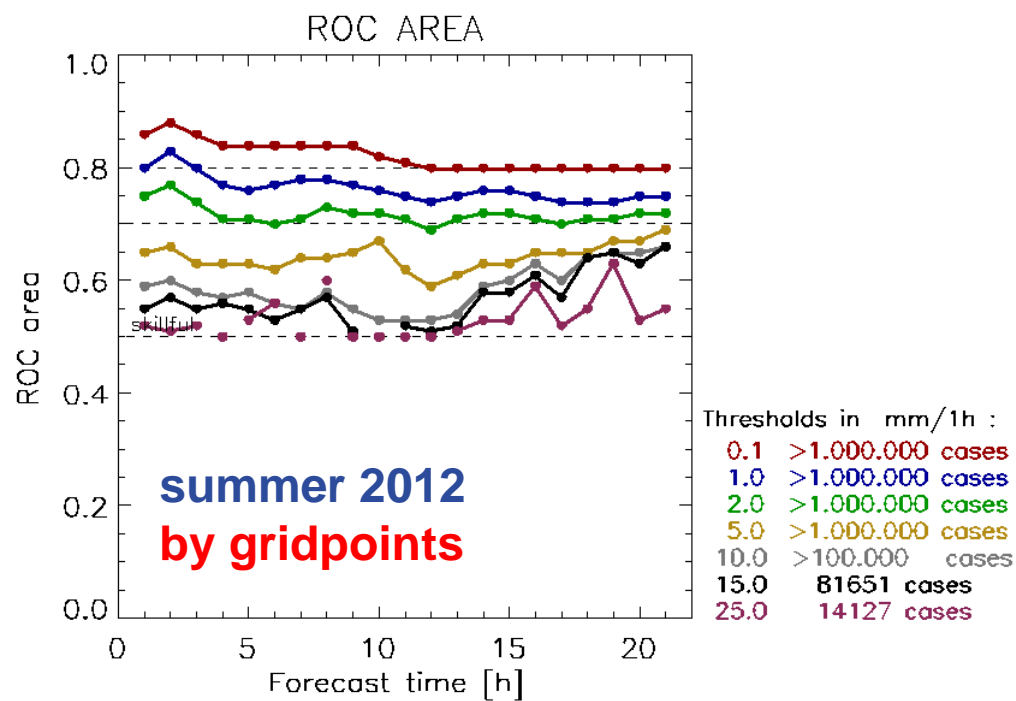




extra slides



ROC area



spatially “upscaled” means:

event somewhere within a 10x10 grid points environment



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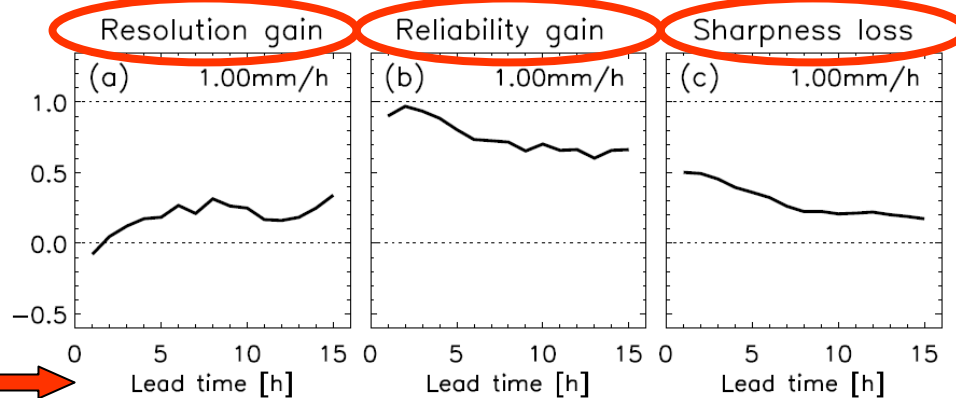
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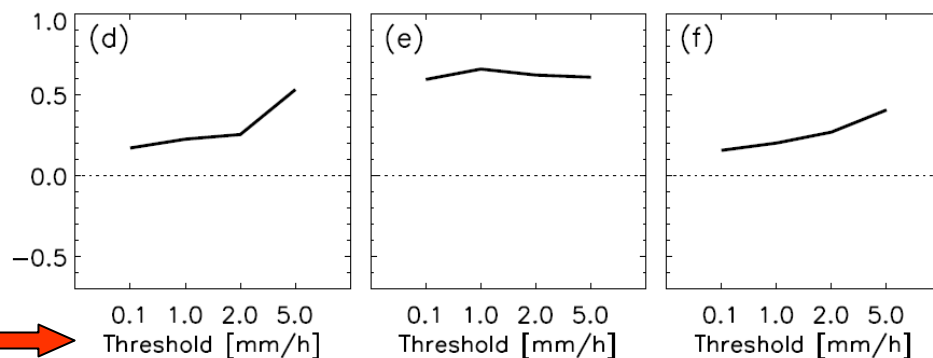


Lagged average forecast LAF

→ combination of members from consecutive COSMO-DE-EPS runs to improve the representation of forecast uncertainty



LAF (20+20+20 members)
compared to
COSMO-DE-EPS
hourly precipitation
June 2011



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