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Global medium-range forecast fields in GRIB format

Medium-range forecasts for cities of Russia

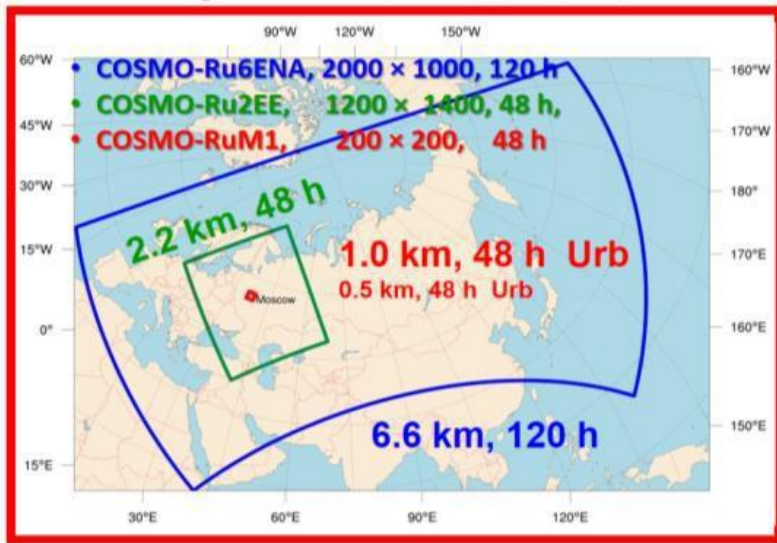
Country: RUSSIA
Region of Russia: MOSCOW AREA
Station (city): MOSCOW

Actual weather Look [KASHIRA](#), [MINERAL'NYE VO](#)

	1-week forecast	GRAPHS					
	Wednesday November, 3	Thursday November, 4	Friday November, 5	Saturday November, 6	Sunday November, 7	Monday November, 8	Tuesday November, 9
Day							
T max	7°	10°	12°	9°	6°	6°	2°
Precipitation, mm (probability)	0.4 (72%)	0	2 (91%)	0.2 (59%)	0	1.5 (79%)	0.3 (75%)
Wind, m/s	↖ 6	↗ 5	↗ 6	↗ 4	→ 6	↗ 4	↓ 7
Pressure	751	753	748	747	747	743	748
Night							
T min	7°	5°	8°	5°	3°	2°	

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1.0 km resolution over Moscow region with urban effects

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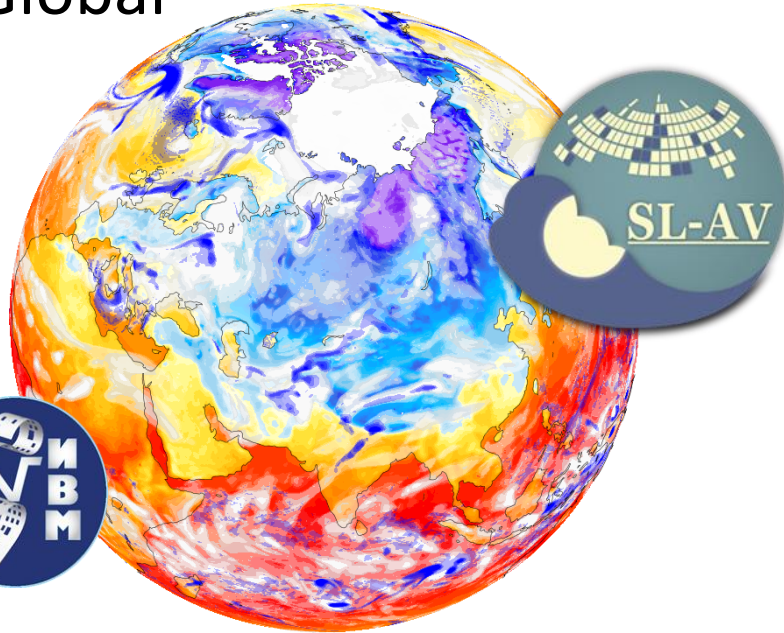
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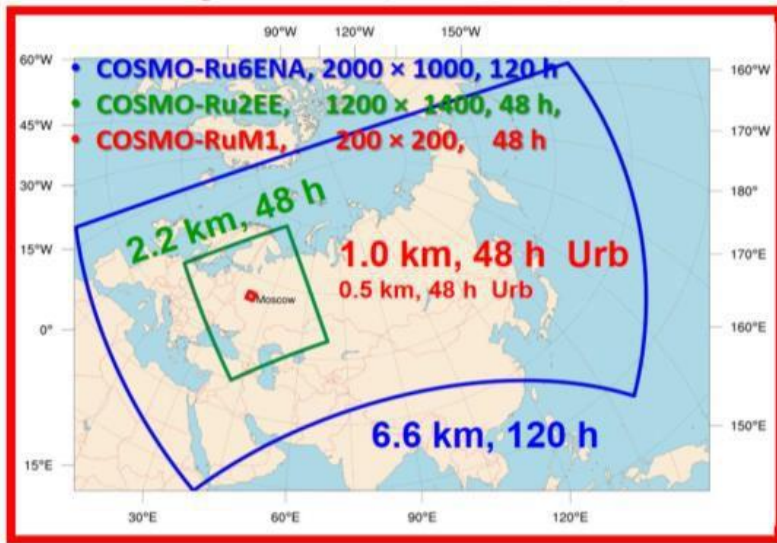


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LETKF-based ensemble prediction system

0.9° in lon, 0.72° in lat, 96 levels, M60, SPPT+SPP

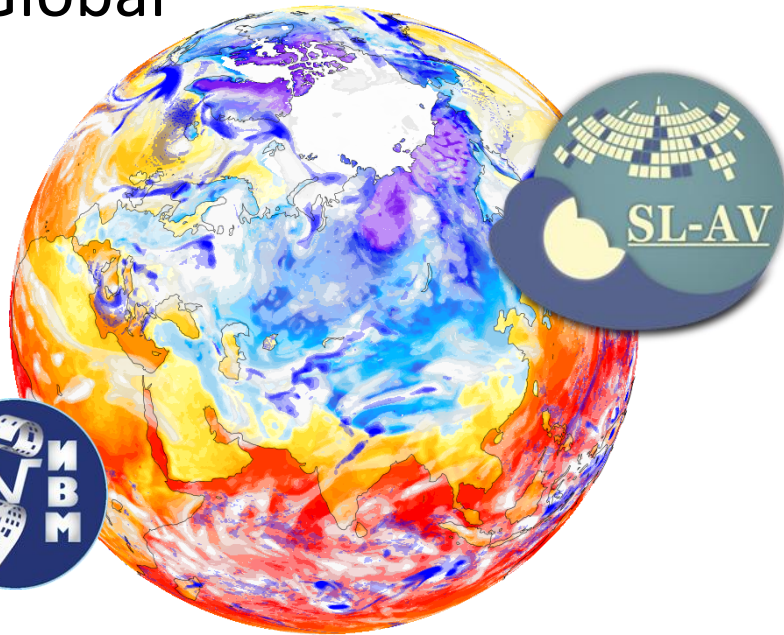
Ensemble is centered to the HMC operational analysis

Subseasonal and seasonal probabilistic forecast

$1.4^\circ \times 1.1^\circ \text{L28}$ currently,

$0.9^\circ \times 0.72^\circ \text{L96}$ with top level 0.04 hPa by the end of this year.

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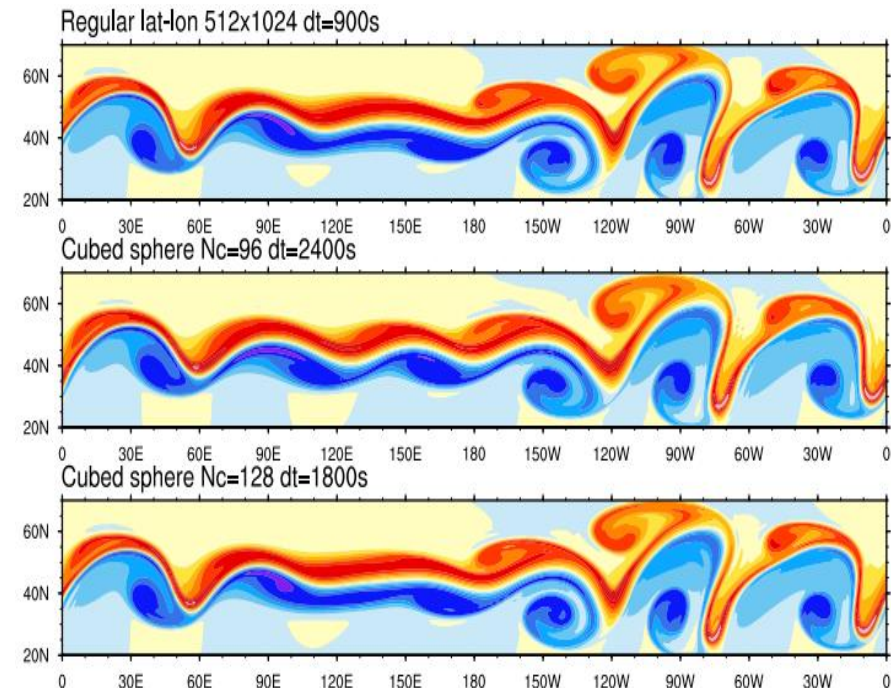
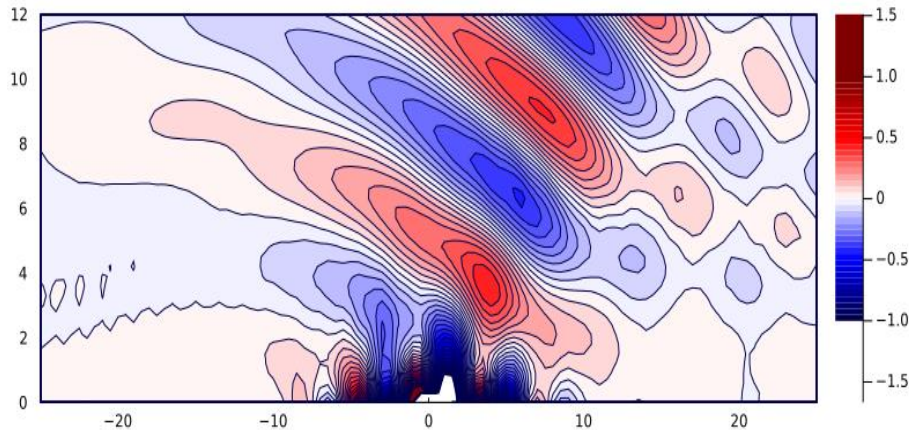
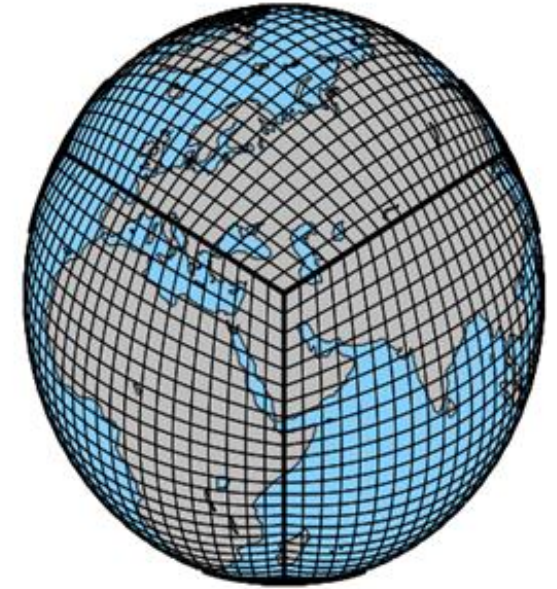
Non-hydrostatic dynamical core using quasi-uniform horizontal grid

Features:

- Equiangular gnomonic cubed-sphere grid
- High-order finite-difference formulation
- semi-implicit semi-Lagrangian time integration
- vertical generalized z-coordinate system

Current state:

- Shallow water model
- 2D vertical plane model
- Galewsky barotropic instability & Schar orographic wave shown



A new approach to generation of model-error perturbations: Additive Model perturbations scaled by Physical Tendency (AMPT)

$$\Delta P_i(x, y, \zeta, t) = \epsilon \xi_i(x, y, \zeta, t) \cdot \mathcal{P}_i(x, y, \zeta, t)$$

ΔP_i is the perturbation in tendency of i -th model variable,
 ξ_i is the zero-mean, unit-variance random field,
 ϵ is the magnitude parameter,
 $\mathcal{P}_i(x, y, \zeta, t)$ is an area-averaged physical tendency

Differences with SPPT:

- Switch from pointwise physical tendency P_i to an area-averaged physical tendency \mathcal{P}_i .
- Specify independent random fields for different model variables ξ_j .
- Make ξ_j depend on the vertical coordinate.

Averaging of P_i

Gaussian
 $T, T_{\text{soil}}, u, v, p$
Over the
whole LAM
domain

Non-Gaussian
 q, W_{soil}
Over a small
2D moving
window
centered at
the grid point
in question



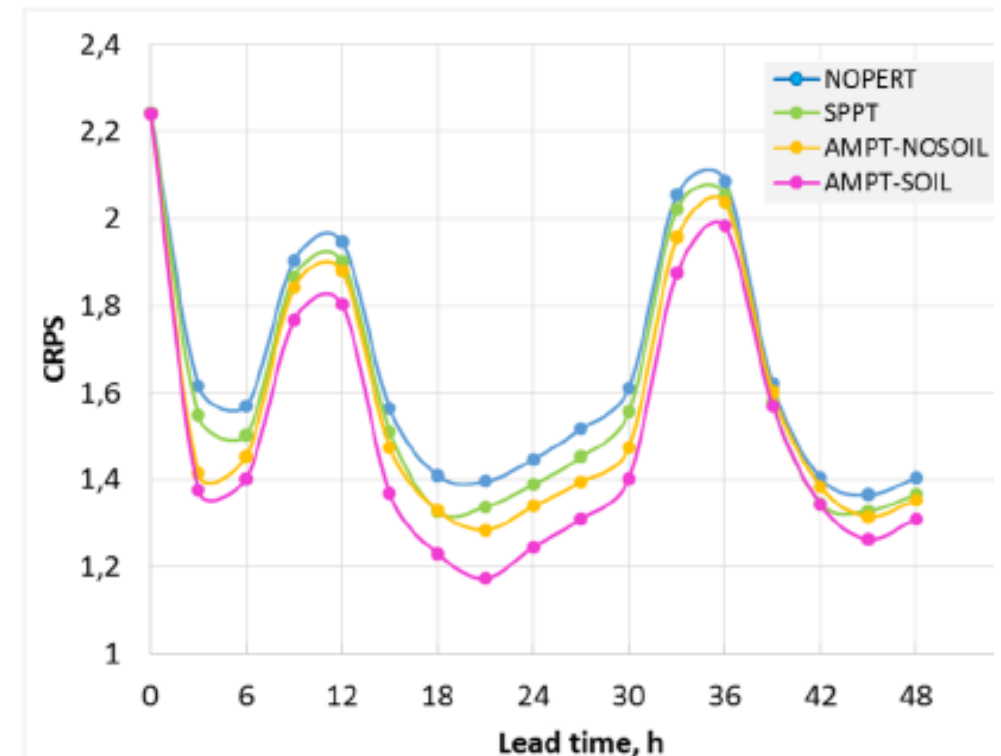
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- Tested over a two-month period in a COSMO-based EPS with a 2.2 km resolution.
- 4D random pattern ξ was generated by the Stochastic Pattern Generator (SPG, Tsyrunikov, Gayfulin, 2017).
- SPG space and time scales: $L_\xi = 50$ km, $T_\xi = 1$ h
- T, u, v, ps, q , multi-level T_{soil}, W_{soil} were perturbed.

Results:

- A positive effect from perturbing $T, u, v, T_{soil}, W_{soil}$, mixed effect from perturbing q .
- AMPT significantly outperformed SPPT for T2m, with nearly the same results for precipitation and near-surface wind.

Experiment	Model perturbations
NOPERT	None
SPPT	SPPT: atmosphere
AMPT-NOSOIL	AMPT: atmosphere
AMPT-SOIL	AMPT: atmosphere + soil



A new approach to ensemble-variational assimilation: The Locally Stationary Ensemble Filter (LSEF)

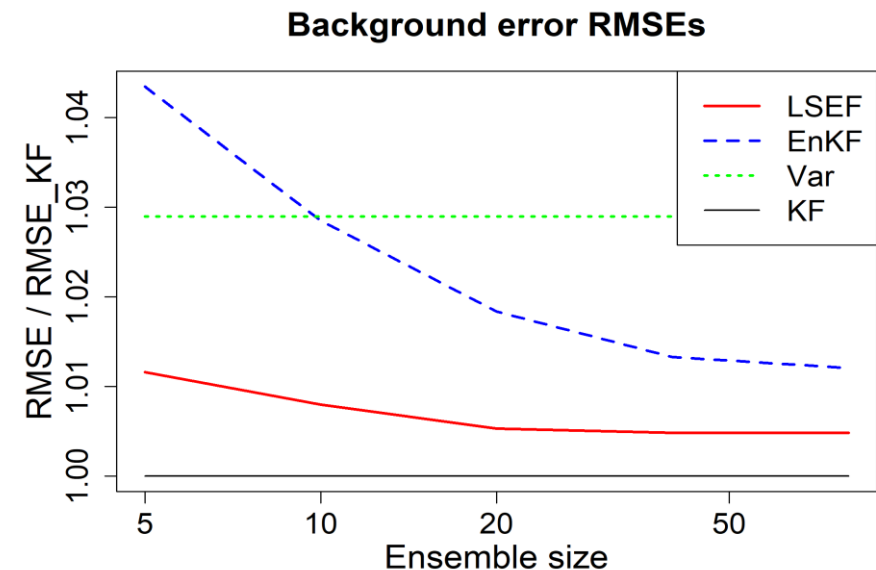
The idea is to learn a square root \mathbf{W} of the background error covariance matrix $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{W}^T$ directly from the ensemble. (The \mathbf{W} matrix is the key ingredient of any variational analysis.)

For \mathbf{W} to be identifiable from the ensemble, a few constraints on its structure are introduced. The most important constraints are *local stationarity (or weak non-stationarity)* and *smooth local spatial spectra*.

In numerical experiments with a non-stationary (in time and space) 1D toy model of truth, LSEF outperformed both Var and EnKF for small to moderate-size ensembles.

A 3D version under development.

The technique is computationally tractable: its non-ensemble version has been used at our center for operational meteorological data assimilation for several years.



Summary

- Most of NWP systems were upgraded following the increase in computer capacity : the resolution of global deterministic model in medium-range and seasonal forecasting was improved, the domains for high-resolution regional forecasting were enlarged.
- The new global ensemble prediction system has been developed and operational trials are demonstrating its good skill (see additional slides).
- The new non-hydrostatic dynamical core for the SLAV global model is under development .
- The new scheme for generating model-error perturbations (Additive Model perturbations scaled by Physical Tendency) was suggested and its positive effect on T2m forecasting was demonstrated.
- A new approach to ensemble-variational assimilation was suggested termed the Locally Stationary Ensemble Filter (LSEF). LSEF outperformed both Var and EnKF for small to moderate-size ensembles.

Additional slides

SL-AV global atmosphere model



SL-AV: Semi-Lagrangian, based on Absolute Vorticity equation

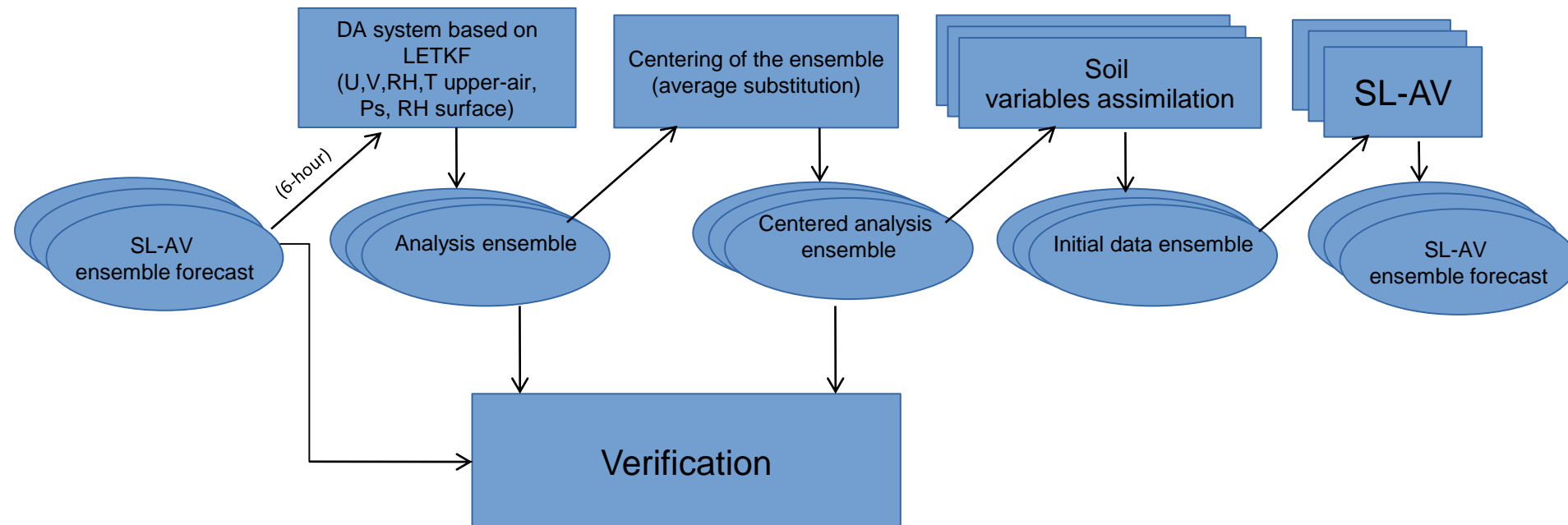
- Finite-difference semi-implicit semi-Lagrangian dynamical core (Tolstykh et al, GMD 2017). Vorticity-divergence formulation, unstaggered grid (Z grid), 4th order finite differences. Possibility to use variable resolution in latitude.
- Many parameterizations algorithms for subgrid-scale processes developed by ALADIN/ALARO consortium.
- Parameterizations for shortwave and longwave radiation: CLIRAD SW + RRTMG LW.
- INM RAS- SRCC MSU multilayer soil model (Volodin, Lykossov, Izv. RAN 1998).

Results for SLAV-10

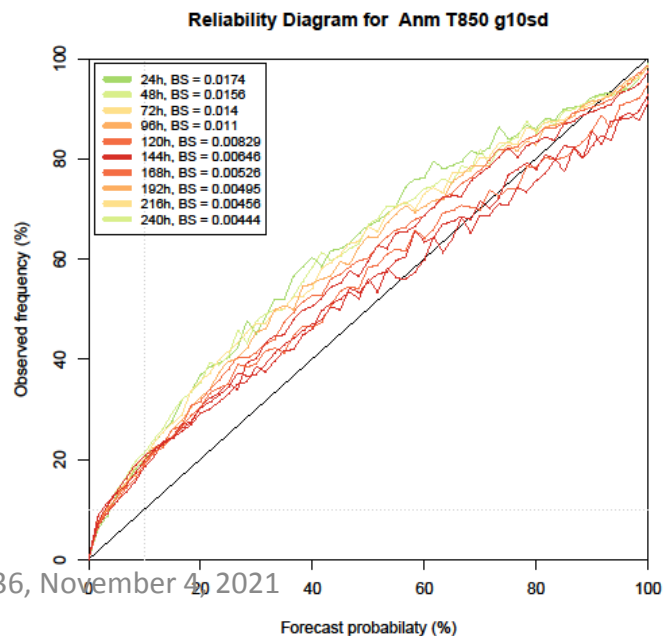
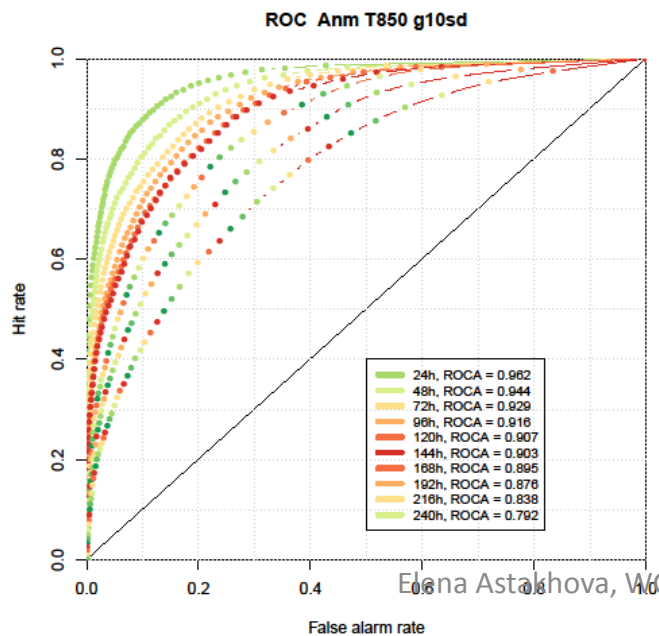
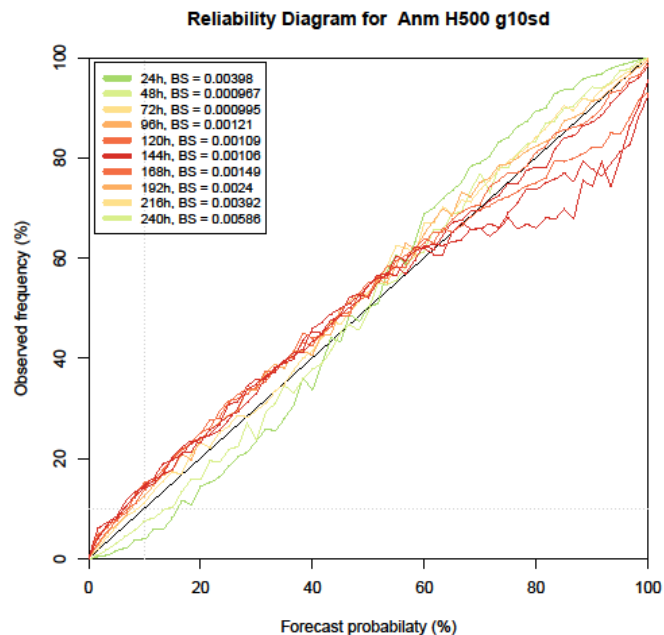
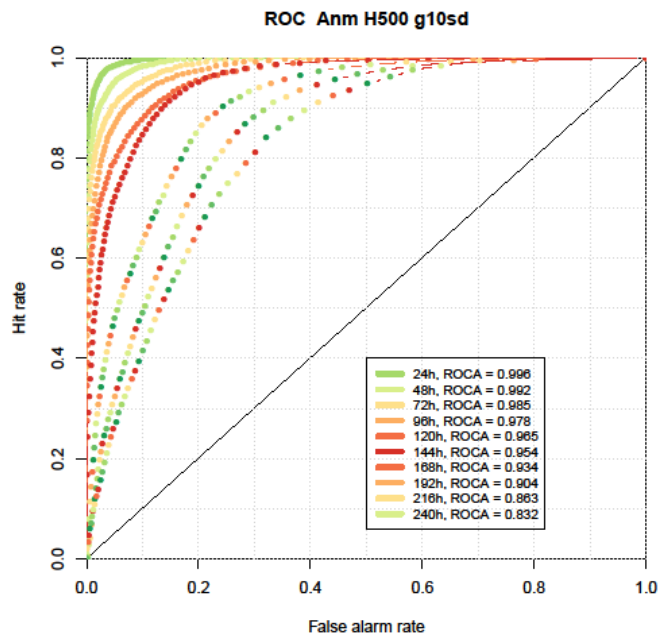
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- Setup of operational technology, including gradual shift from GRIB to NetCDF
- Currently under tuning

Ensemble prediction system

- Local Ensemble Transform Kalman Filter (LETKF) is used to generate perturbations in the ensemble of initial data
- Ensemble is centered to the HMC operational analysis
- SL-AV model incorporates SPPT for temperature and vorticity and SPP for 27 parameters in physical parametrizations
- Ensemble size – 60 members



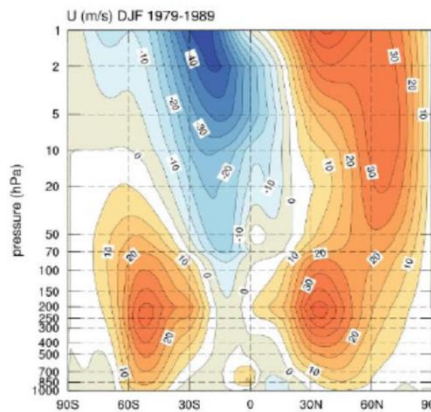
Reliability diagrams and ROC (Northern extratropics, Jan 2021)



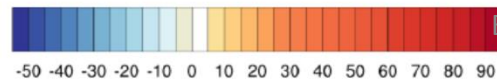
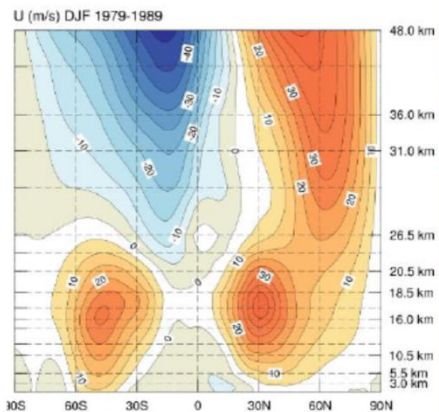
New long-range prediction system at Hydrometcentre of Russia

- Resolution 0,9x0,72° lon-lat, 96 levels
- Uppermost level at 0,04 hPa
- 500-700 m resolution in the stratosphere
- SW radiation: CLIRAD SW, LW radiation: RRTMG LW (11 + 16 spectral bands)
- Boundary layer: Bastak-Duran et al JAS 2014
- Marine stratocumulus, sea-ice T
- INM RAS multilayer soil scheme

SLAV, 96 lvl, 2020



Era-Interim



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