



Perturbations of lateral boundary conditions for a future COSMO EPS

Presentation Swiss COSMO User Workshop



Introduction

- Atmosphere & Climate Sciences at ETH
- Master's thesis embedded within project COSMO-NExT at MeteoSwiss:
 - Compare 3 different methods to construct lateral boundary perturbations for the future high-res EPS (COSMO-E)
 - > Differences in the development of ensemble spread over time and space?
- Analysis based upon specific case studies:
 - Different synoptic forcings



Approach

- Identical IC for each member

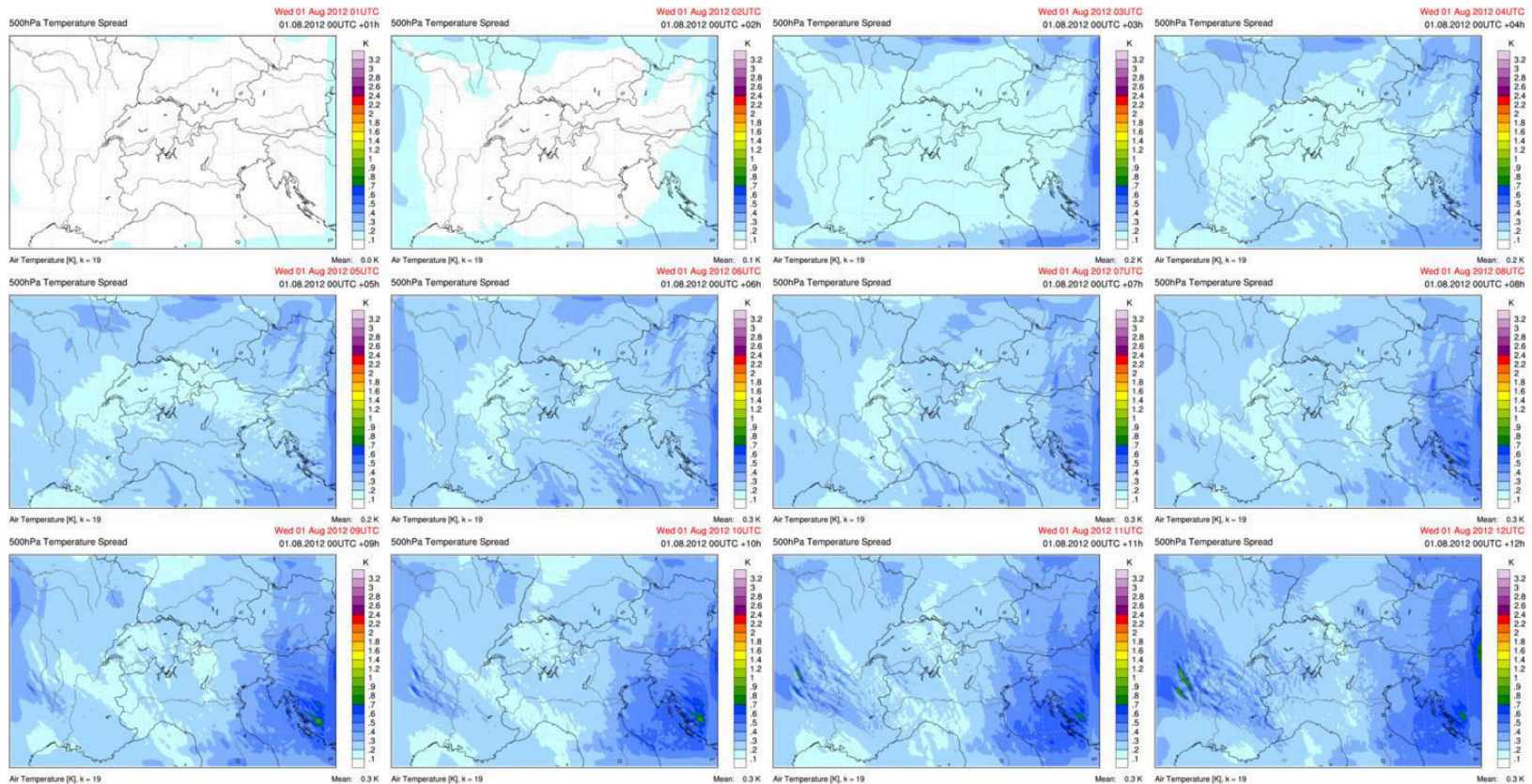
- LBC:
$$X_{k+1,i}^j = \underbrace{\bar{X}_{k+1,i}}_{\text{mean}} + \underbrace{\Delta X_{k+1,i}^j}_{\text{perturbation}}$$

*gridpoint i,
member j,
time k+1*

- Method 1: Simple downscaling of EPS
 - Mean and perturbation from global EPS (ECMWF, ca. 30km)
- Method 2:
 - Mean from deterministic global model (ECMWF, 16km)
 - Perturbation from global EPS (ECMWF, ca. 30km)
- Method 3:
 - Mean from deterministic global model (ECMWF, 16km)
 - Perturbation from climatology (ECMWF, 16km or COSMO-7, 6.6km)



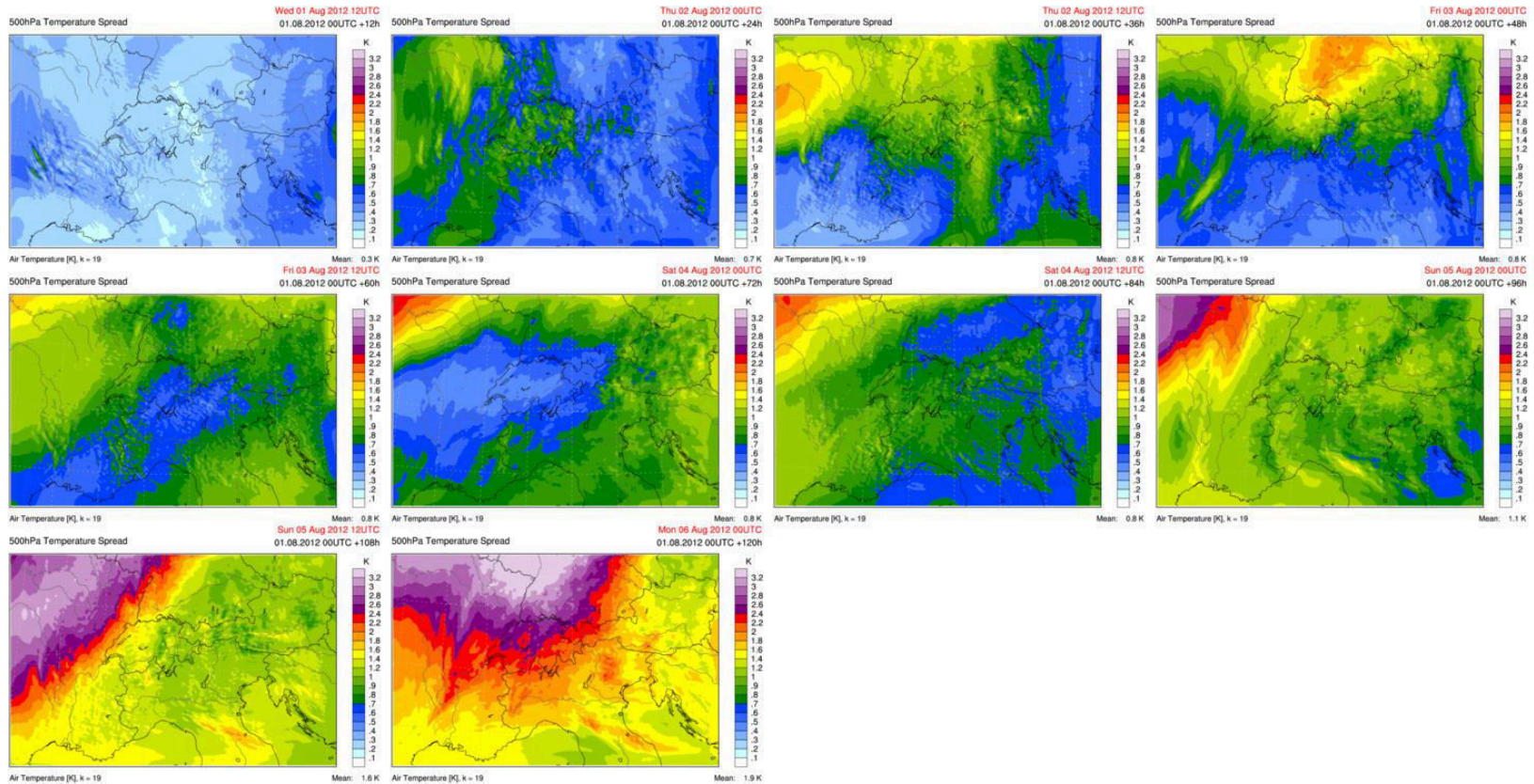
First results



Temperature spread 500hPa (fcst 1h-12h), case 1, method 1



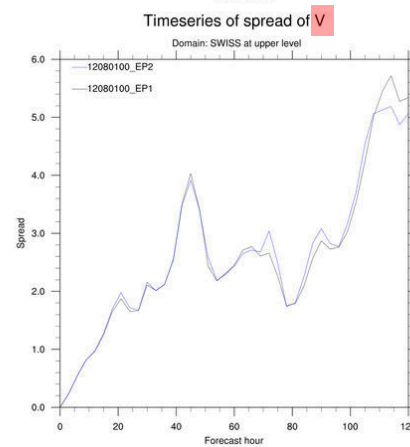
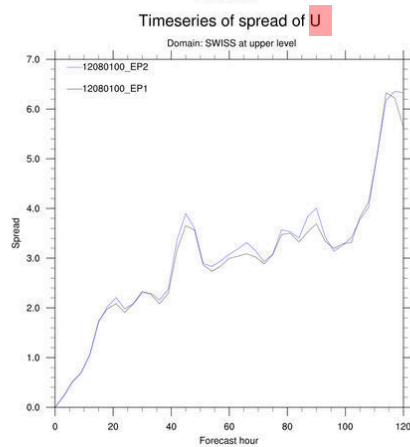
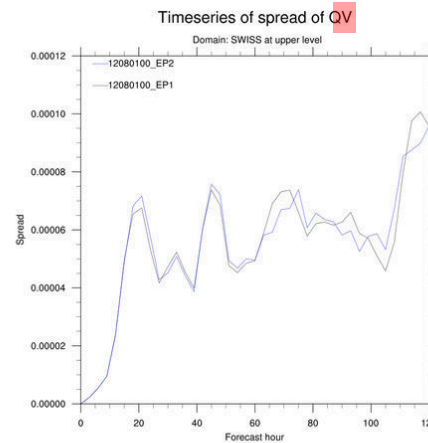
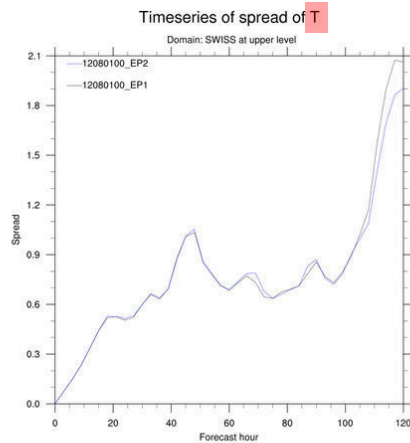
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Temperature spread 500hPa (fcst 12h-120h), case 1, method 1



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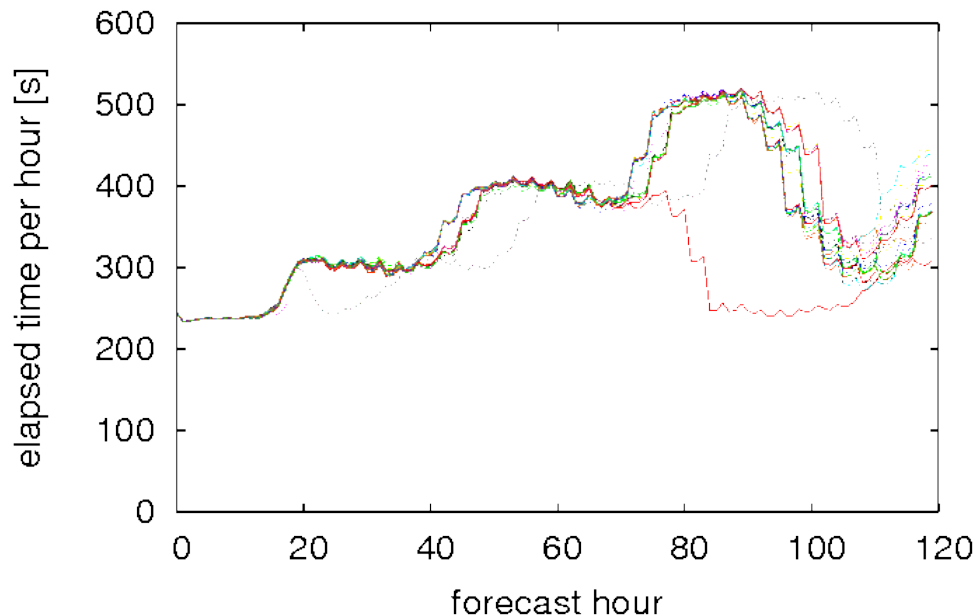
Only small differences between method 1 and 2

- Also after longer lead time



Experiences

- Experiments need longer than expected:
 - 21 ensemble members \rightarrow ~ 12 h on 21x6 nodes (on lema)
 - post-processing ~ 7 h
- Interference between different ensemble members?



- all member started together
- expected elapsed time: 8h
- about 240s per fcst hour for the first hours
- slow down afterwards (correlated)
- timings show strong increase in communication
- related to interconnect overload?