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## ICON-EPS

**operational suite** ( since 18<sup>th</sup> January 2018 )

- 40 Member
- Global, 40 km / ICON-EU Nest, 20 km
- 00/12 UTC → +180h / 06/18UTC → +120h
- 03/09/15/21 UTC → +30h    Boundary Conditions for COSMO-DE-EPS
- Perturbing physics tuning parameters    (fixed during the forecast)
- Initial condition perturbations by global EDA (LETKF)

→ EDA

→ Evaluation

→ Outlook



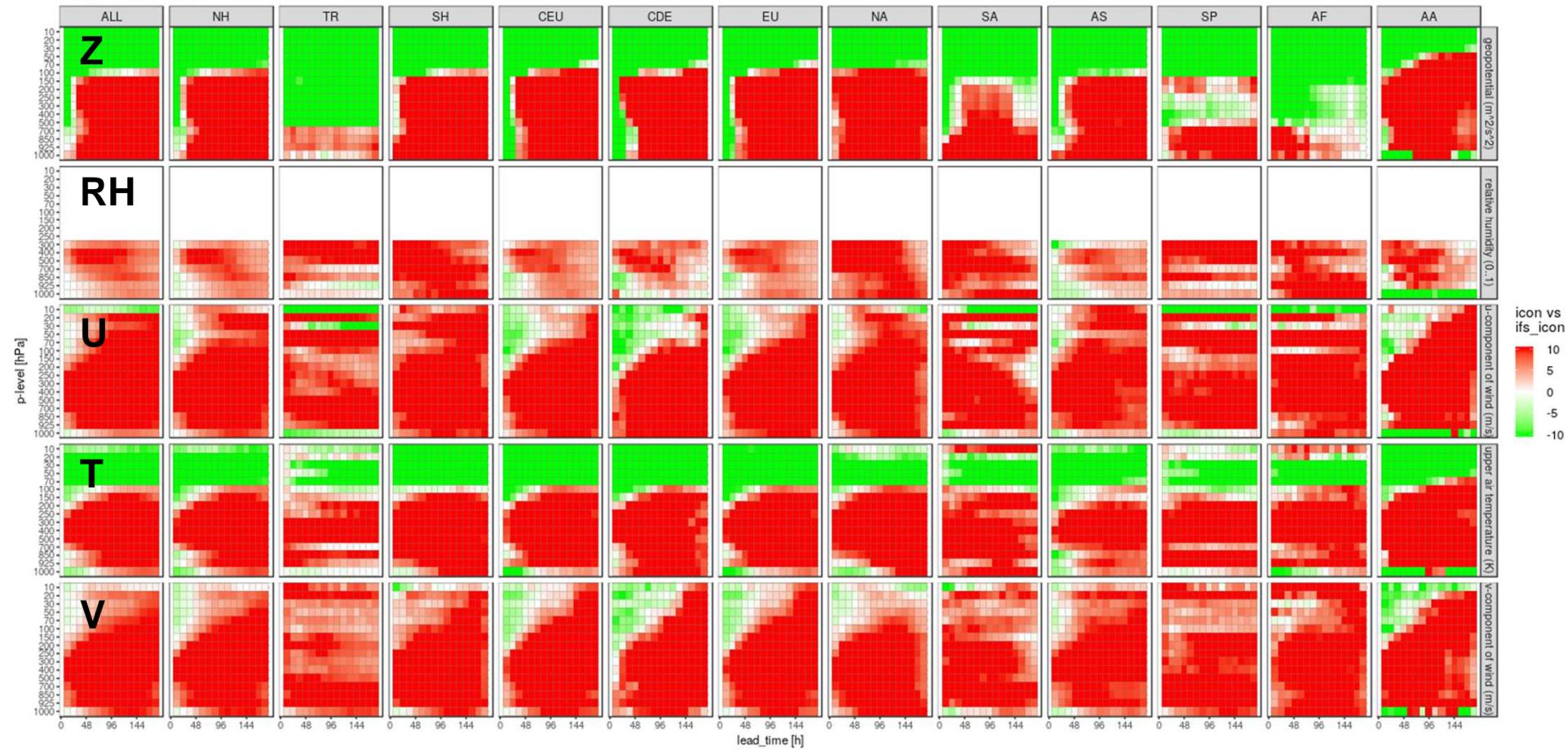
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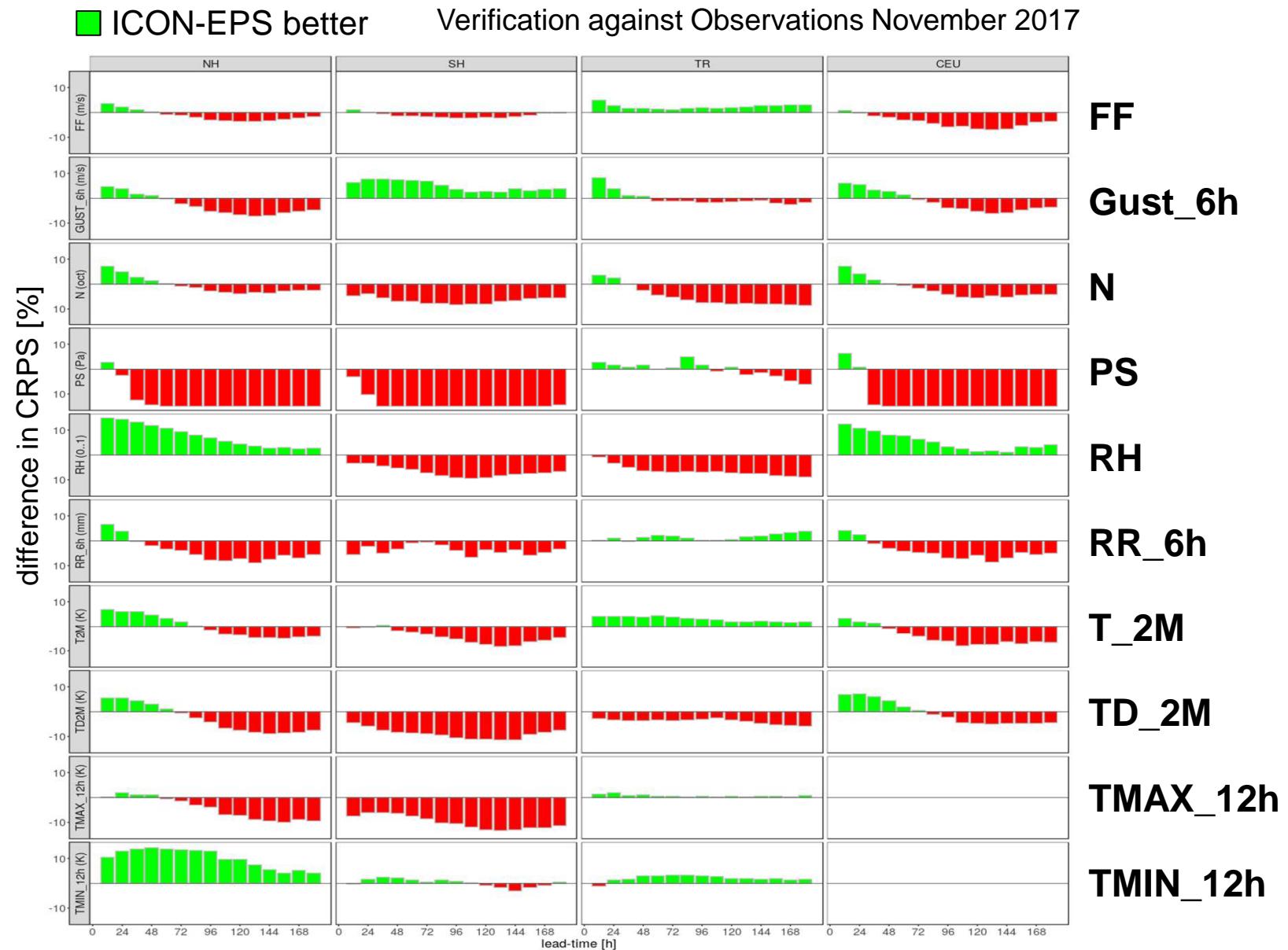
- LETKF (Localized Ensemble Transform Kalman Filter, Hunt et.al. 2007)
- 40 Members      (-> 80 Members)
- 3h Assimilation Cycle
- 40 km (20 km Europa)
- **Covariance Inflation**
  - multiplicative factor
  - additive Inflation  $+0,25B_{3dVar}$  (NMC Method)
  - „relaxation to the prior“
  - SST 1°K random perturbations with spatial correlations of 100km/1000km and 1 day



■ ICON-EPS better

Verification against Observations November 2017





## extreme Gusts 6h

**0-48h**

479 Fälle

%

<b>Helpful?</b>	<b>yes</b>	285	<b>59,5</b>
	<b>no</b>	73	<b>15,2</b>
	<b>ok</b>	117	<b>24,4</b>
	<b>nothing</b>	4	<b>0,8</b>
<b>Comparison</b>	<b>ECMWF</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>14,2</b>
	<b>ICON</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>19,0</b>
	<b>No added value</b>	299	<b>62,4</b>
	<b>nothing</b>	23	<b>4,8</b>

**60-108h**

604 Fälle

%

<b>Helpful?</b>	<b>Yes</b>	297	<b>49,2</b>
	<b>no</b>	132	<b>21,9</b>
	<b>ok</b>	174	<b>28,8</b>
	<b>nothing</b>	1	<b>0,2</b>
<b>Comparison</b>	<b>ECMWF</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>16,2</b>
	<b>ICON</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>10,1</b>
	<b>no added value</b>	429	<b>71,0</b>
	<b>nothing</b>	16	<b>2,6</b>



## Extreme Precipitation Events

**0-48h**

61 cases

%

Helpful?	yes	23	<b>37,7</b>
	<b>no</b>	23	<b>37,7</b>
	<b>ok</b>	13	<b>21,3</b>
	<b>nothing</b>	2	<b>3,3</b>
<b>Comparison</b>	<b>ECMWF</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>13,1</b>
	<b>ICON</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11,5</b>
	<b>No added value</b>	39	<b>63,9</b>
	<b>nothing</b>	4	<b>6,6</b>

**60-108h**

91 cases

%

Helpful?	yes	20	<b>22,0</b>
	<b>no</b>	54	<b>59,3</b>
	<b>ok</b>	17	<b>18,7</b>
	<b>nothing</b>	0	<b>0,0</b>
<b>Comparison</b>	<b>ECMWF</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14,3</b>
	<b>ICON</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13,2</b>
	<b>No added value</b>	62	<b>68,1</b>
	<b>nothing</b>	4	<b>4,4</b>



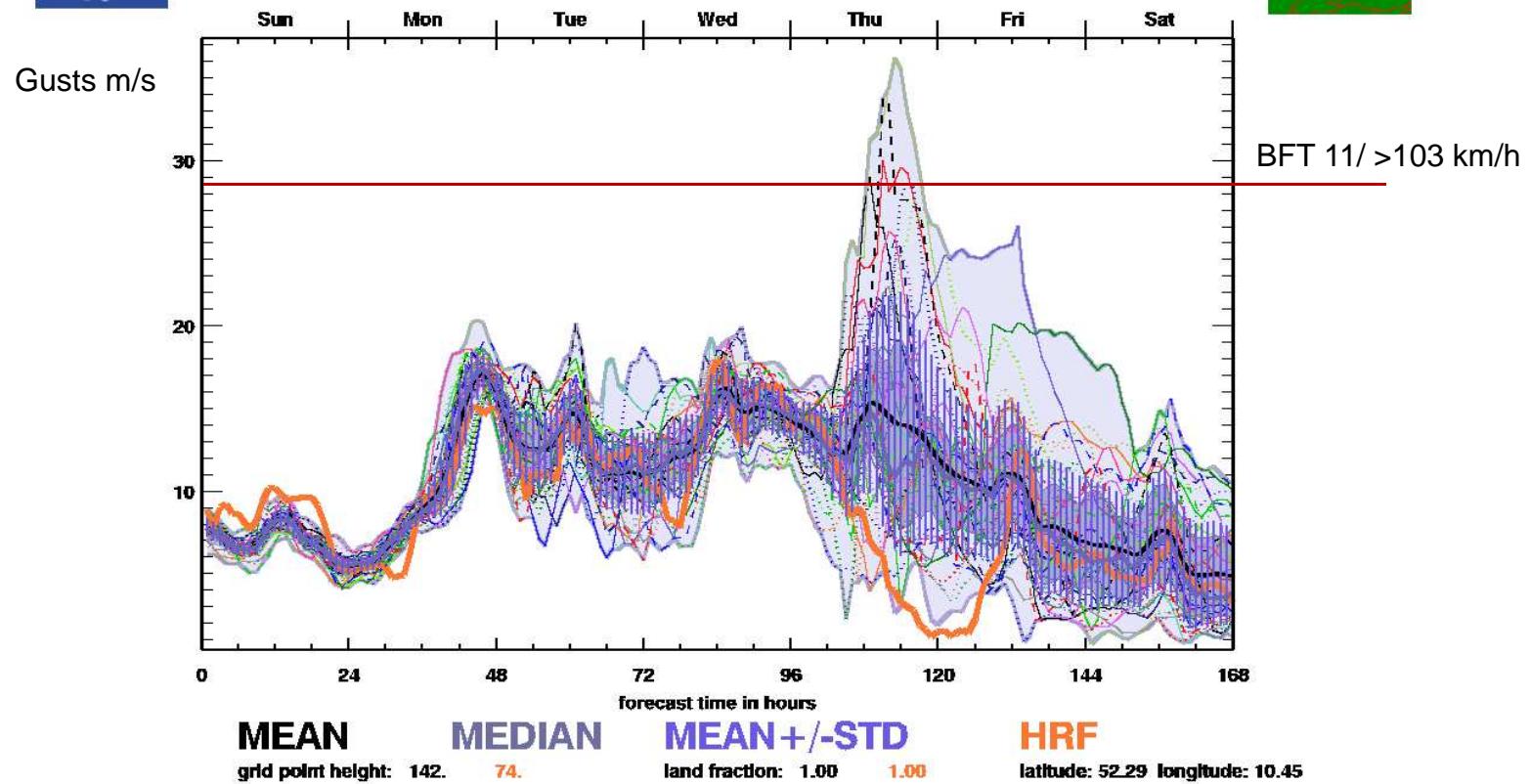
## 6h wind gusts Braunschweig



ensemble forecast for initial date: 2018011400 @ Braunschweig

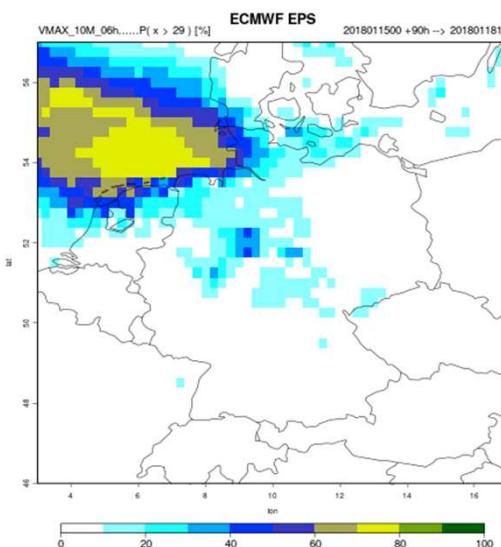
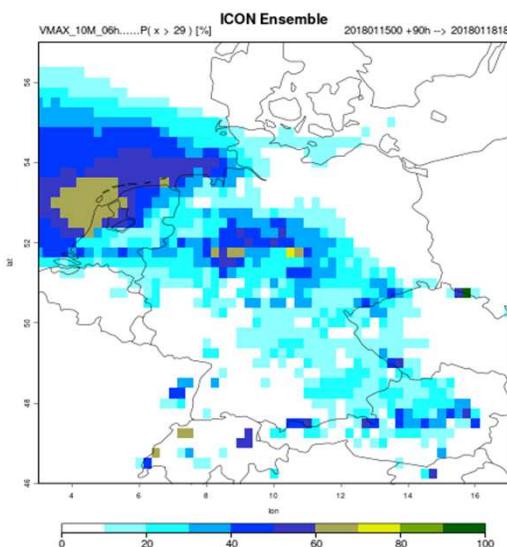
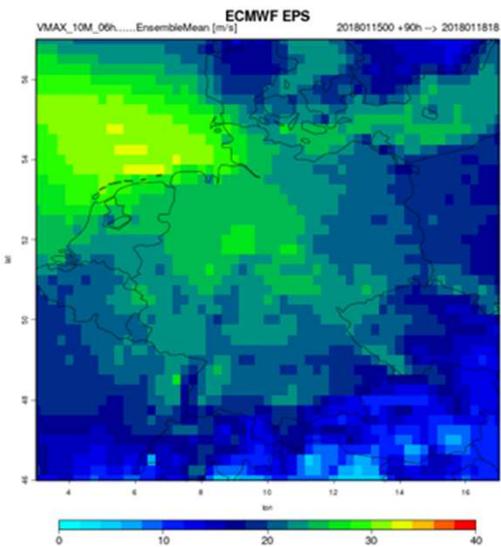
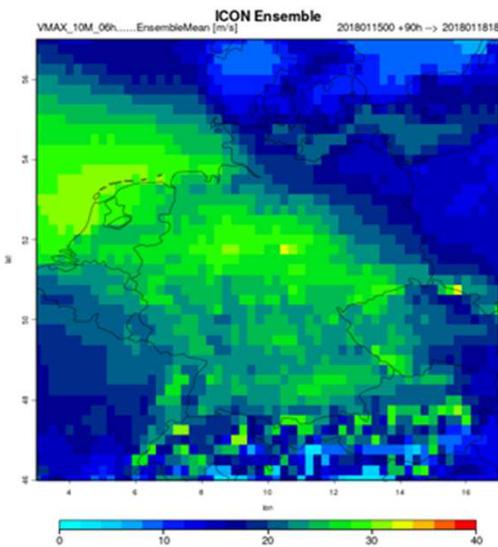
MEAN: 10.39 STD: 4.63 MIN: 0.73 MAX: 36.19

### ICON-EPS results for VMAX\_10M



## ICON-EPS

## ECMWF-EPS



20180115 00UTC

(+90h)

→ 20180118 18UTC

Ensemble mean

P( x > 29m/s )



## EU-Nest:

0,25°lat/lon

[www.dwd.de](http://www.dwd.de)

-> ICON database reference manual

in preparation: global products

Table 9.4.: Available output fields for ICON-EPS: Probability Products.

Parameter	Description	
■ T_2M	2m Temperature	
■ TD_2M	2m Dew Point Temperature	
■ SP_10M	Wind Speed at 10m	
■ PMSL	Mean Sea Level Pressure	
■ CAPE_ML	Convective Available Potential Energy	
■ CLC*	Cloud Cover (*=T/L/M/H )	
Parameter	Description	Height Level
■ T, SP	Temperature, Wind Speed	500/850hPa
Parameter	Description	Accumulation
■ T_G	Ground temperature (temperature at sfc-atm interface)	12h
■ TMAX_2M/TMIN_2M	Max/Min Temperatures	12h, 24h
■ VMAX_10M	Maximum wind speed at 10m above ground	6h, 12h, 24h
■ TOT_PREC	Total Precipitation	6h, 12h, 24h, 48h, 72h
■ SNOW_GSP	Large scale snowfall water equivalent	6h, 12h, 24h

## 1. Mean and extreme values

- Unweighted mean of all members (deriv = 0)
- Spread of all members (deriv = 4)
- Minimum of all ensemble members (deriv = 8)
- Maximum of all ensemble members (deriv = 9)

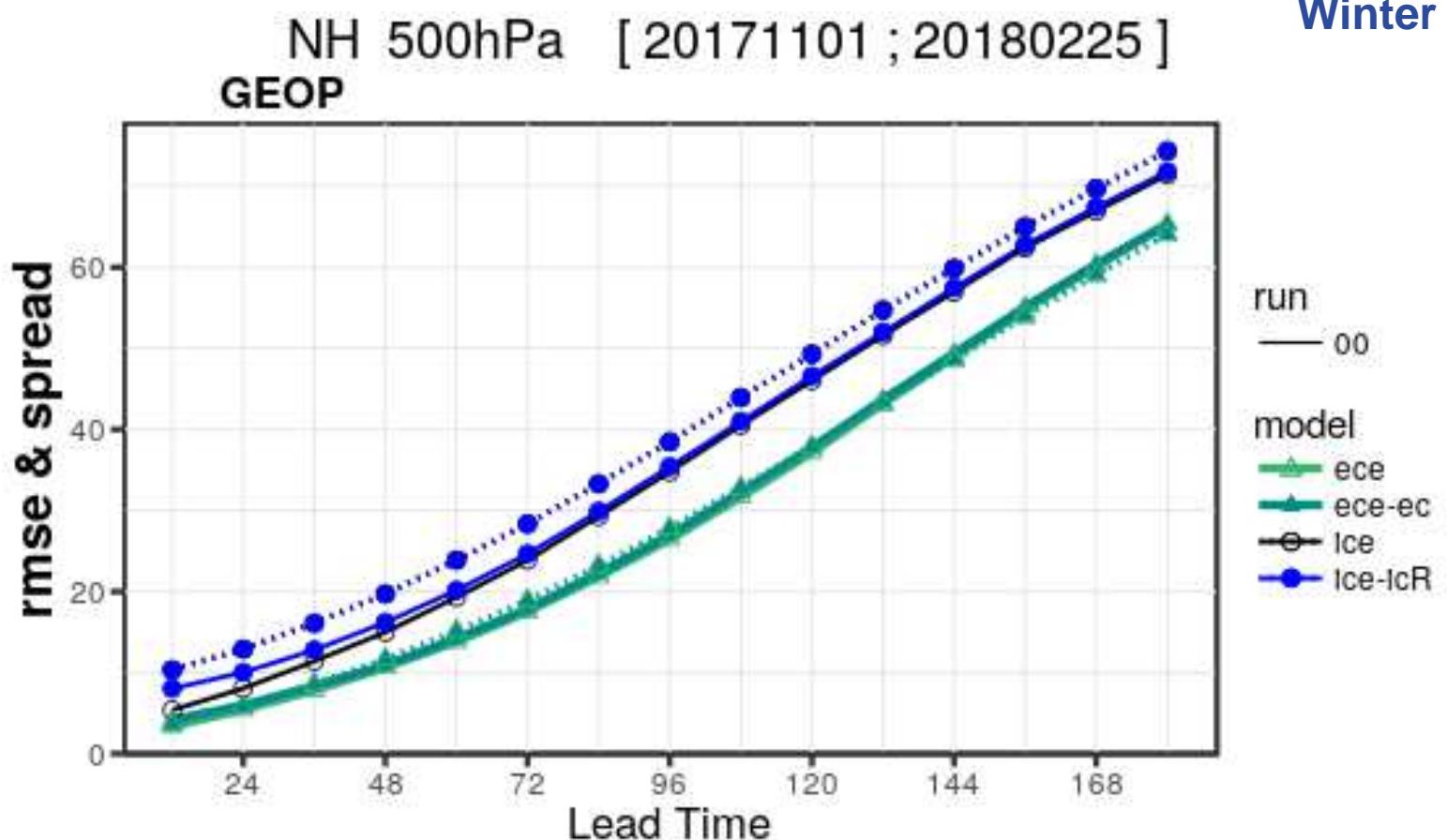
## 2. Percentiles

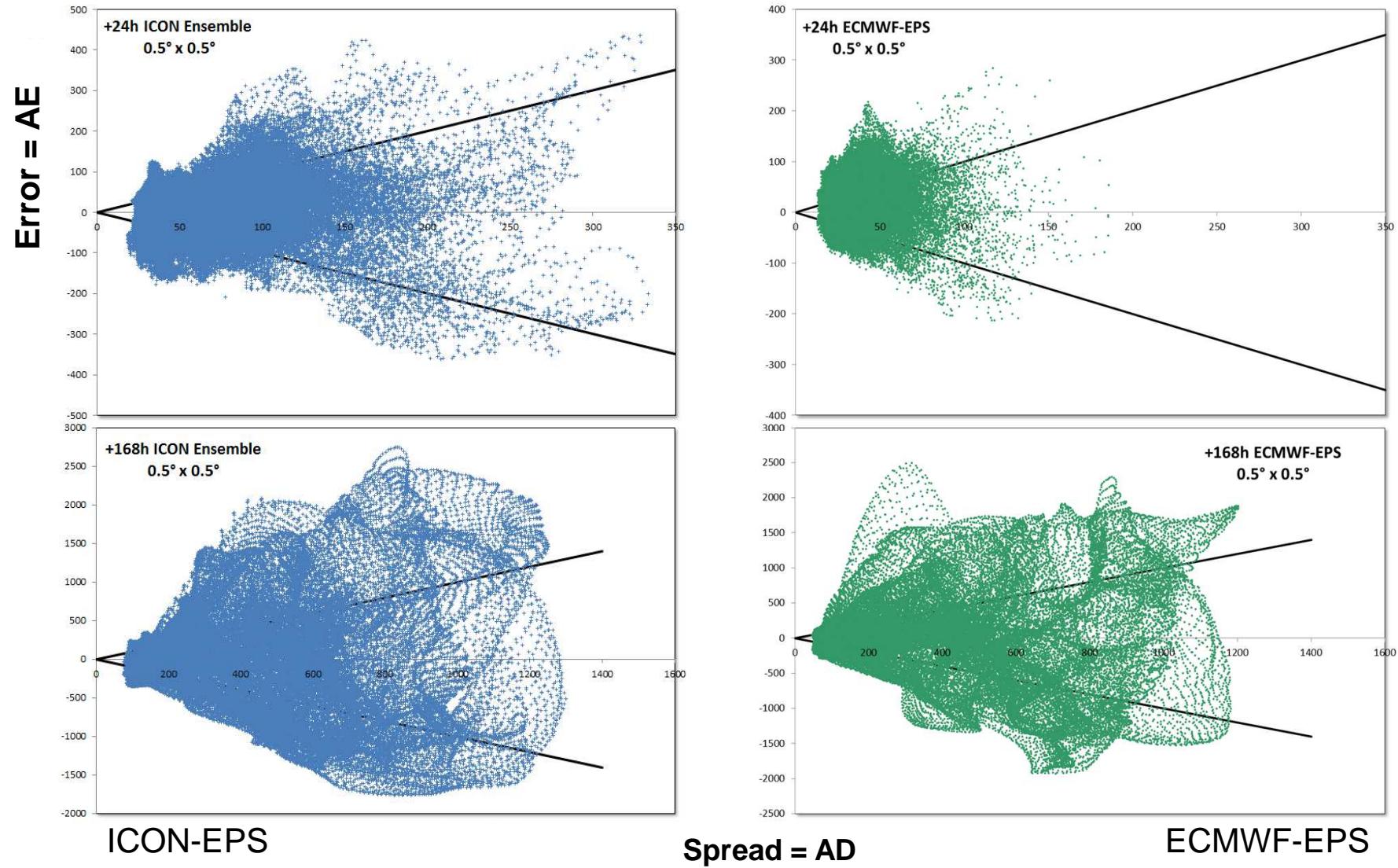
i.e. physical values of a forecast parameter (e.g. T\_2M, . . . ), which define the perc=10,25,50,75,90 [%] parts of the ensemble distribution.

## 3. Exceedance Probabilities

- Probability of event above lower limit (probt=3)
- Probability of event below upper limit (probt=4)

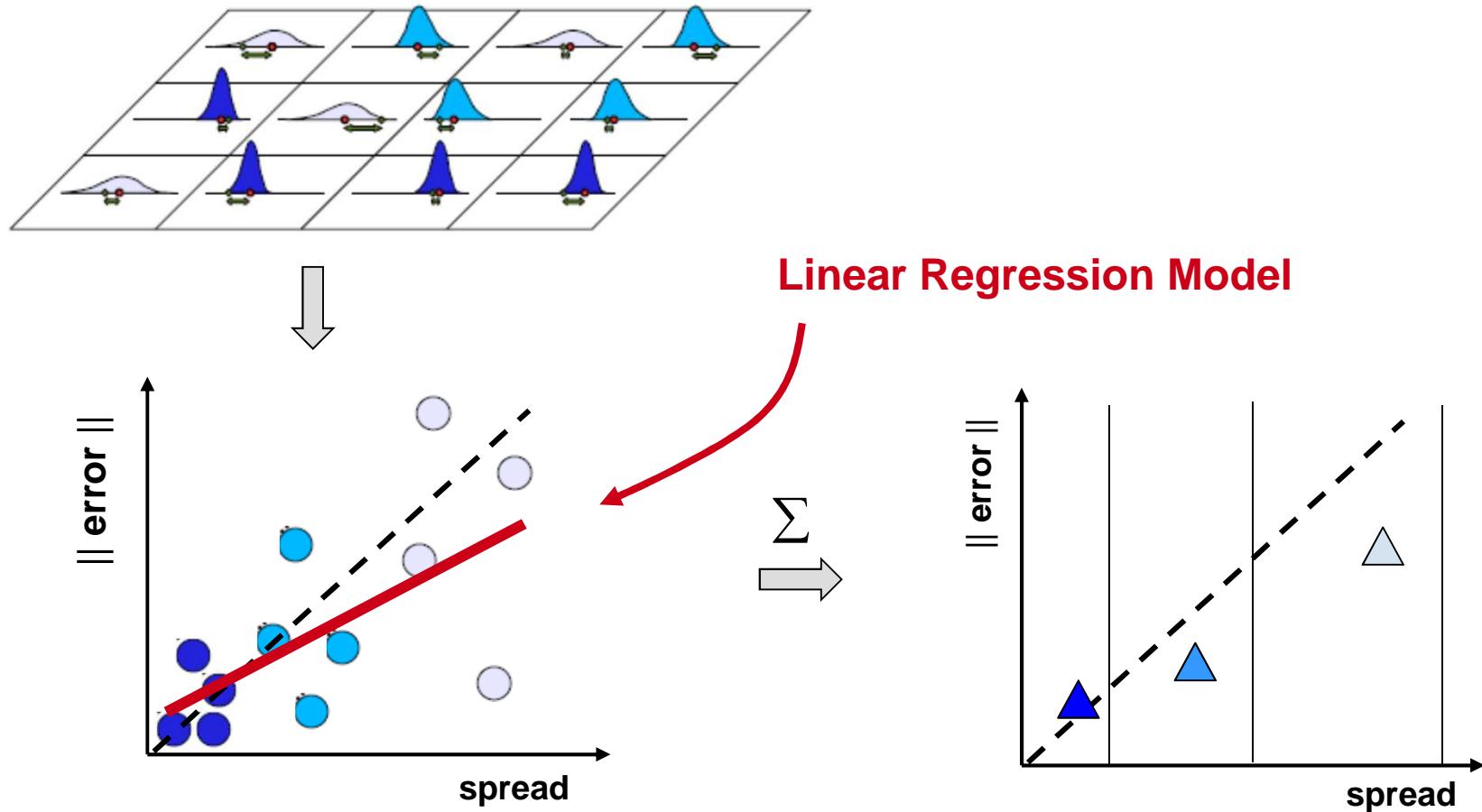




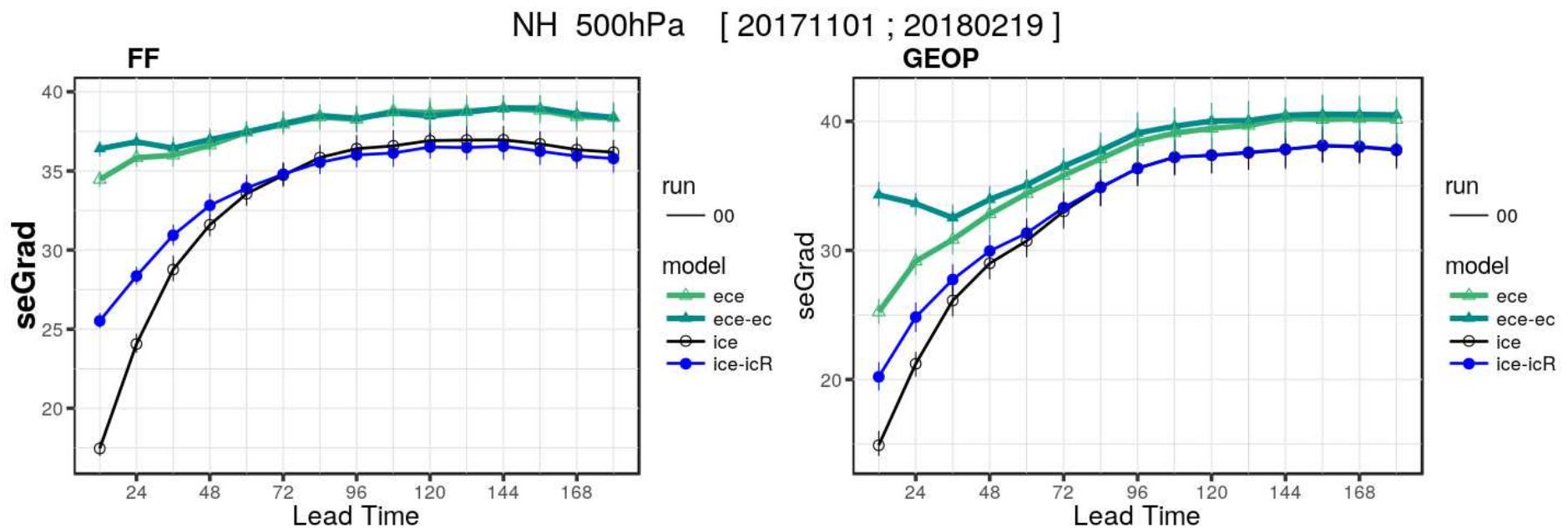


# Spread-Skill Reliability

Leutbecher, M., 2009: Diagnosis of Ensemble Forecasting Systems, ECMWF



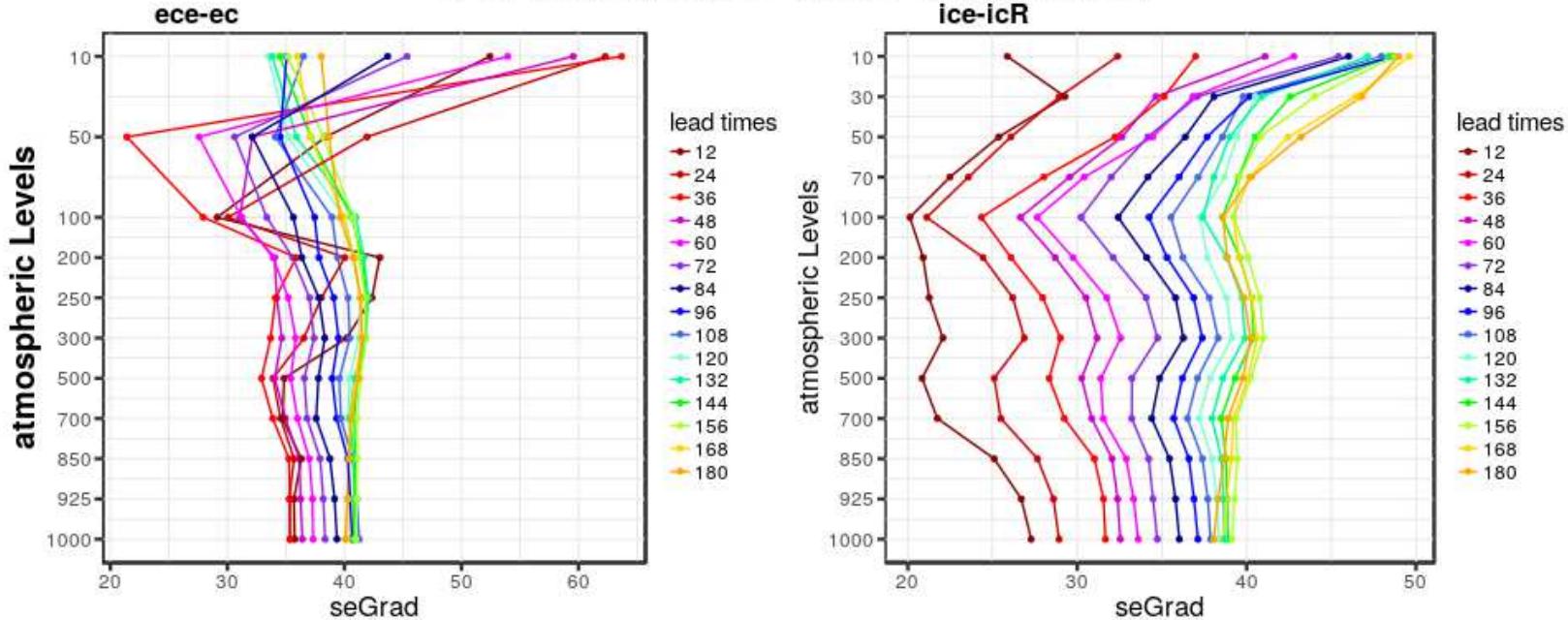
# Spread-Skill Reliability



Improve the Spread-Skill Reliability in the short range



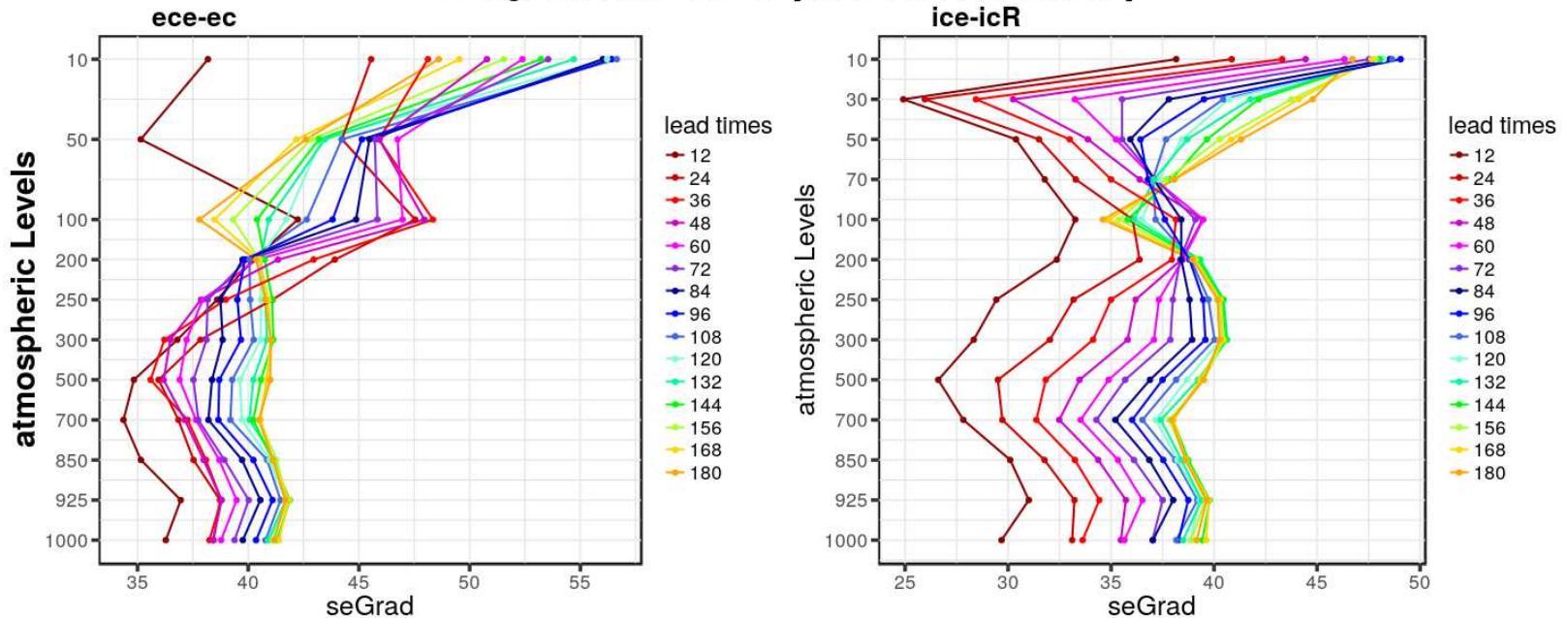
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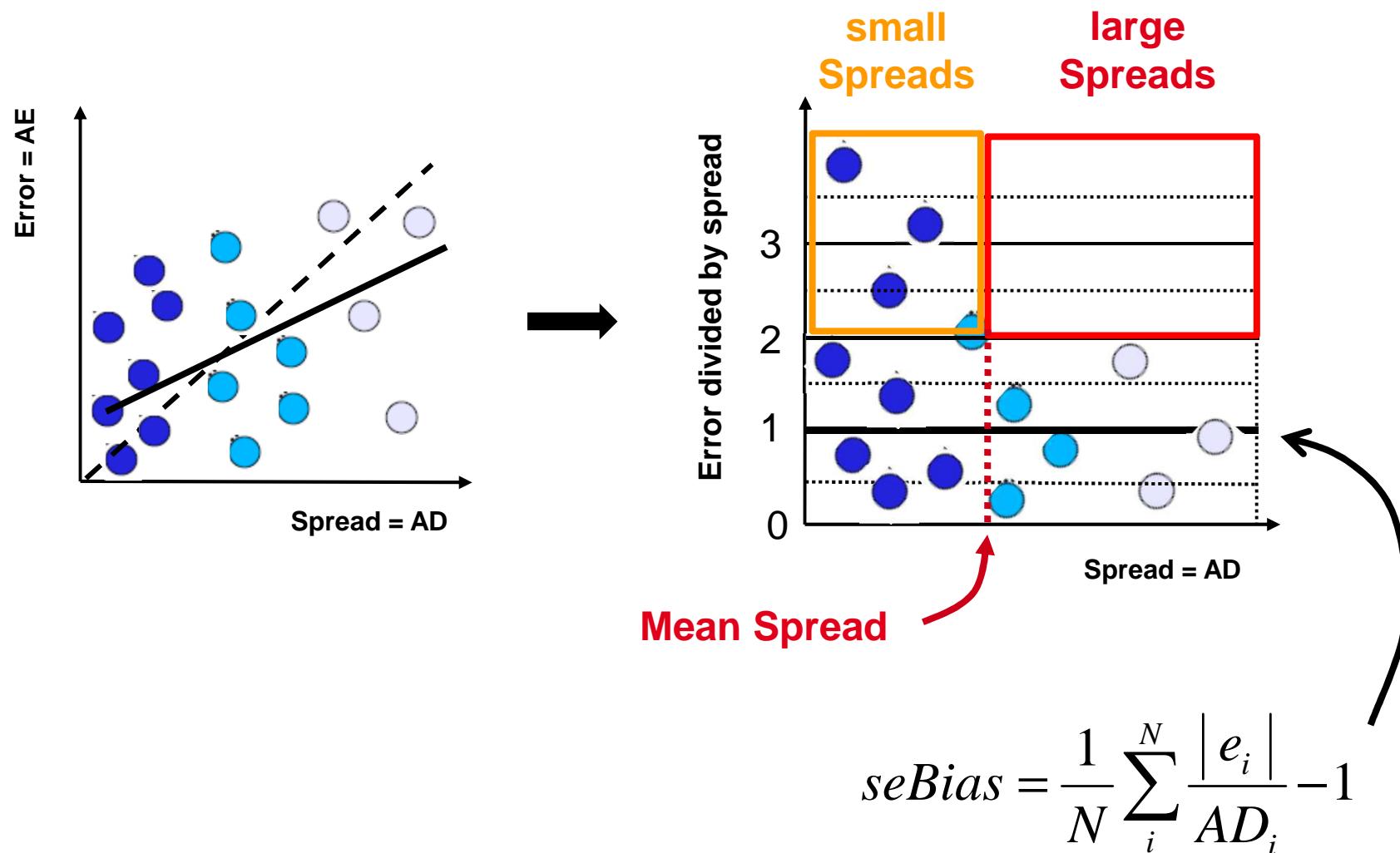


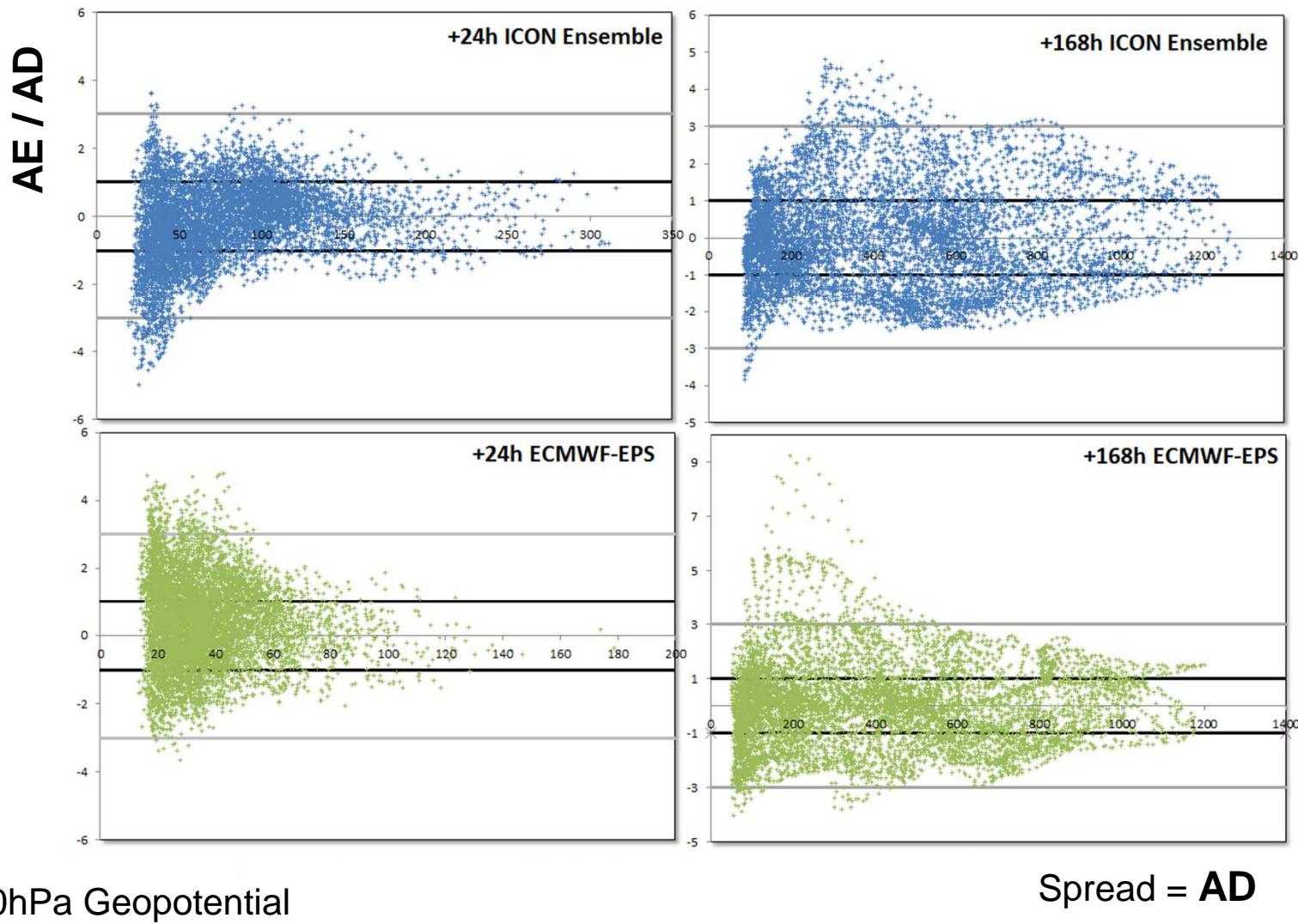
ECMWF-EPS

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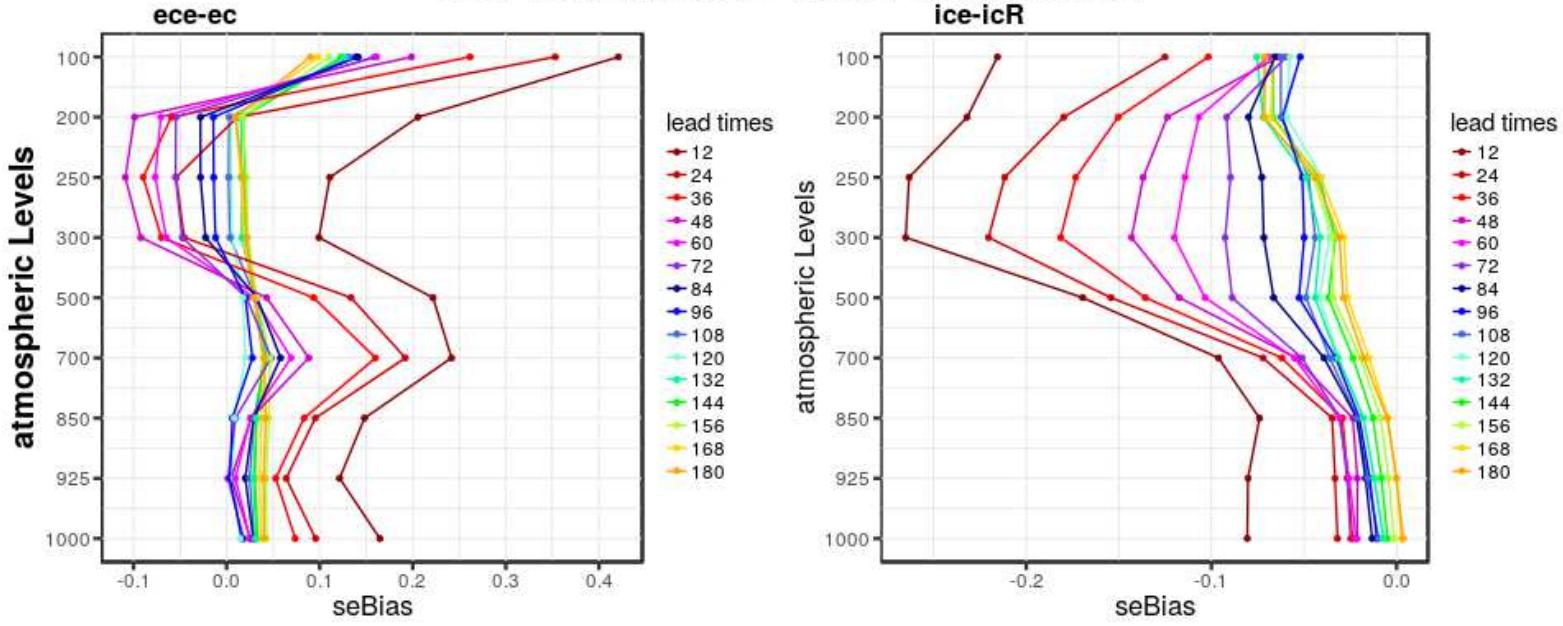
ICON-EPS



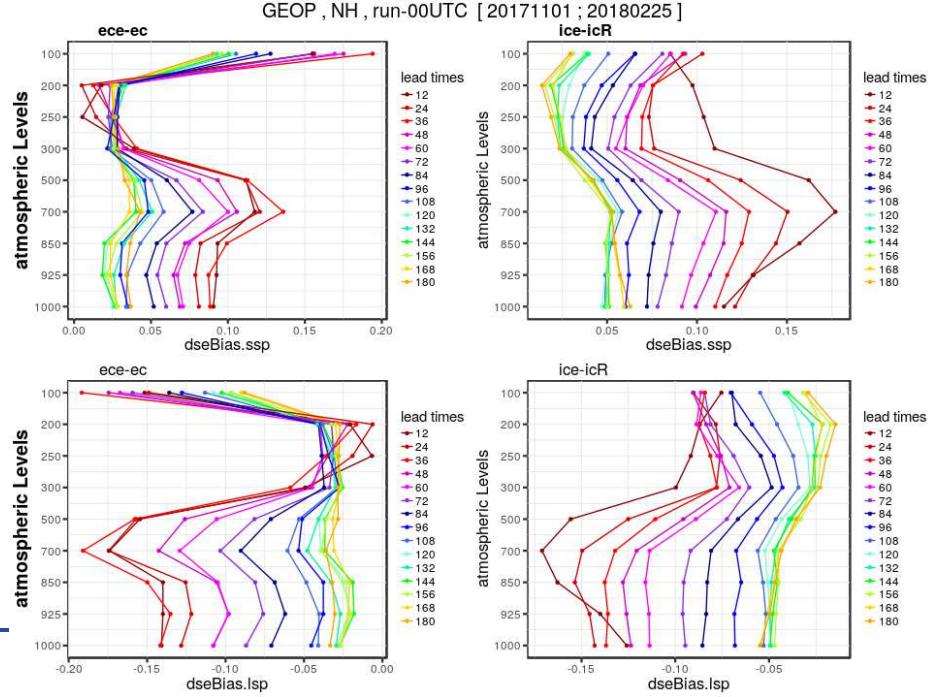




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ECMWF-EPS



ICON-EPS

# Initial Perturbations

## Arnoldi Approximation

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{A}}_{n \times n} \quad \underbrace{\mathbf{Q}}_{n \times m} = \underbrace{\mathbf{Q}}_{n \times m} \quad \underbrace{\mathbf{H}}_{m \times m} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \quad m \ll n$$

$\mathbf{H}$  model for  $\mathbf{A}$   Singular Vectors of  $\mathbf{H}$



# Initial Perturbations

## Broyden Update

$$\dot{x} = f(x)$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} \rightarrow dx = \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x} dx \rightarrow dx = \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x} dt$$

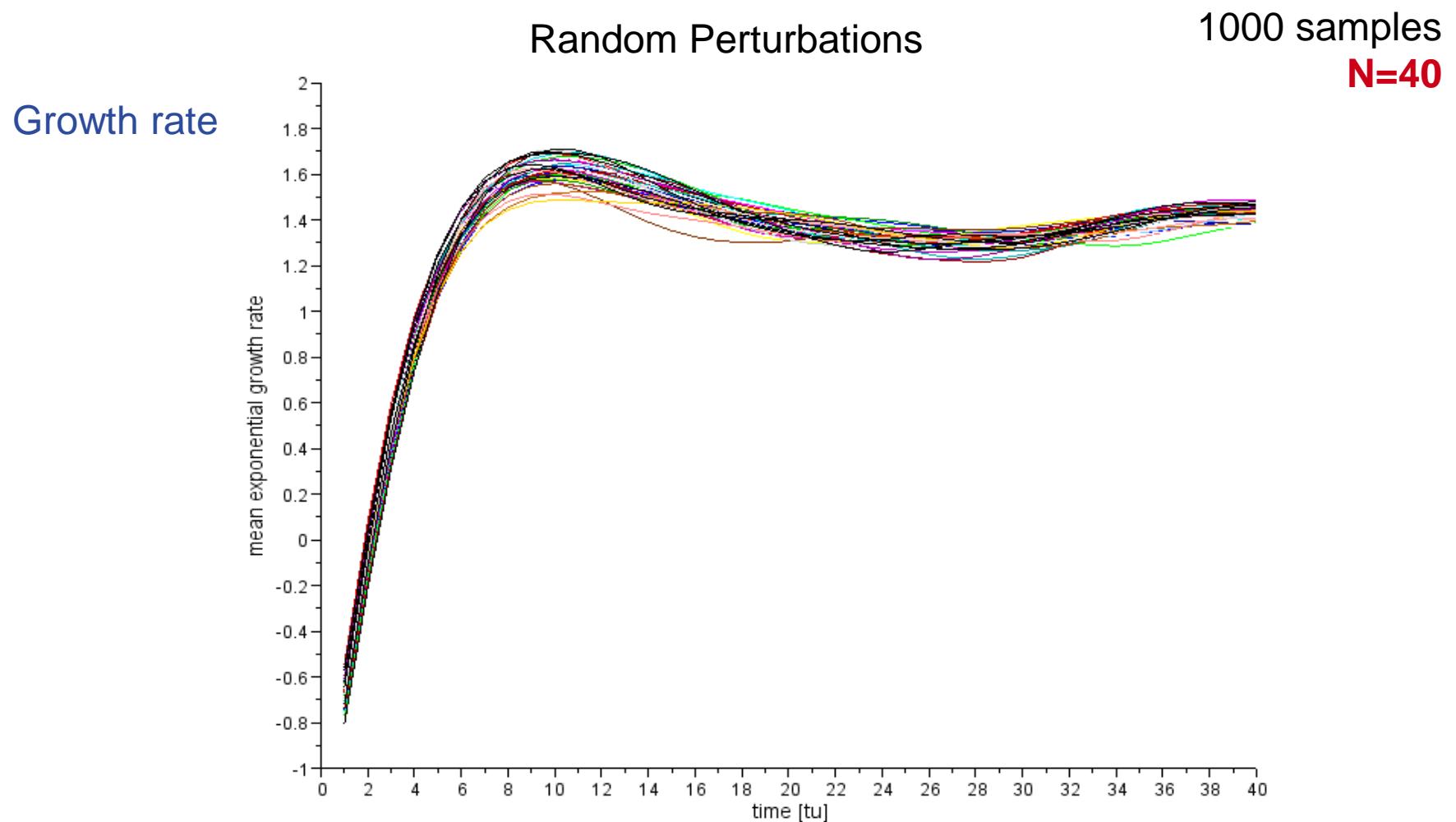
finite differences

$$x_{t+1} - x_t = \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x} x_t \delta t$$

Secant Equation

$$x_{t+1} = \left( \mathbf{I} - \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x} \delta t \right) \cdot x_t \Leftrightarrow y = \mathbf{B}_{t+1} \cdot s$$

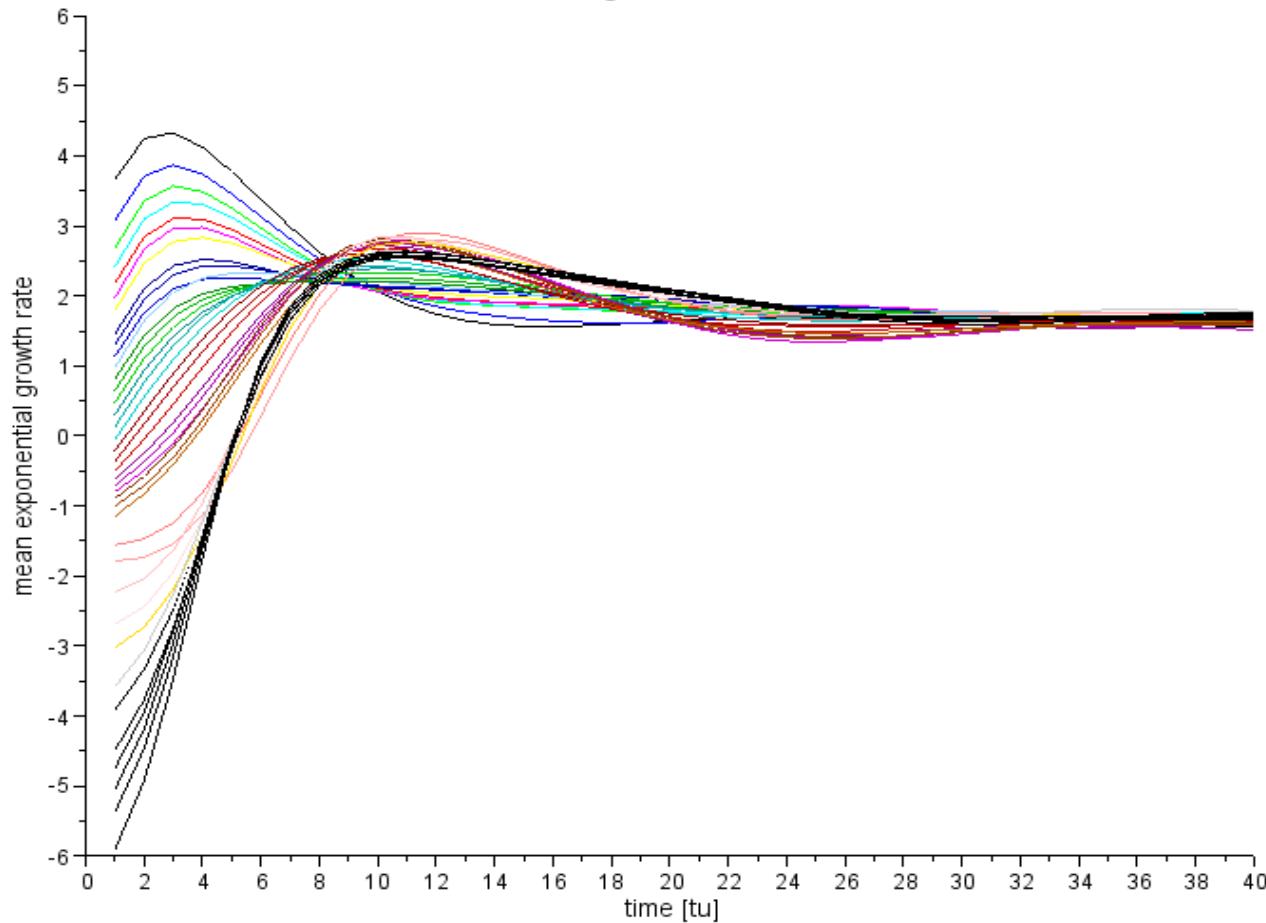




Growth rate

Singular Vectors

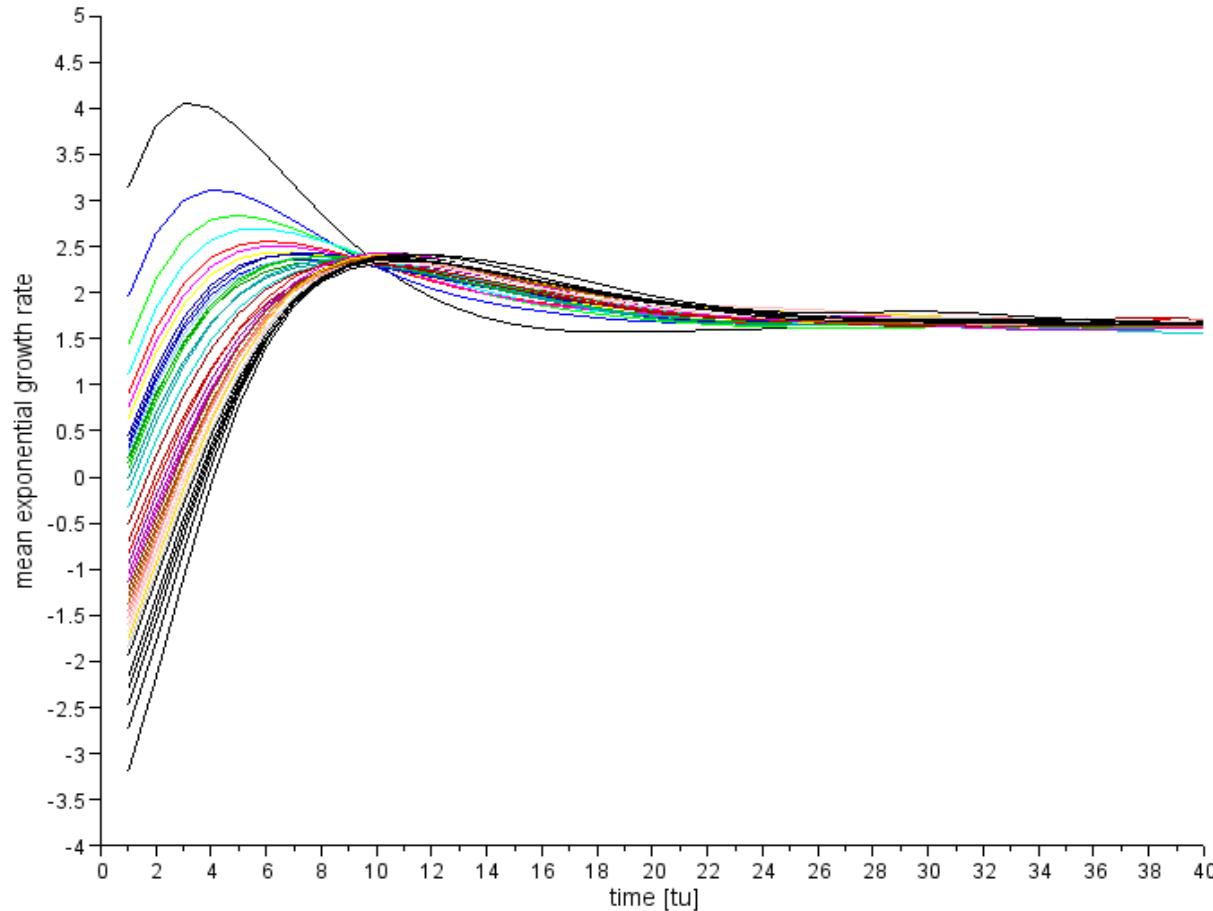
1000 samples  
**N=40**



Growth rate

Broyden Update

1000 samples  
**N=40**



**ICON-EPS is operational since 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

### International Contributions

**WMO – Verification**

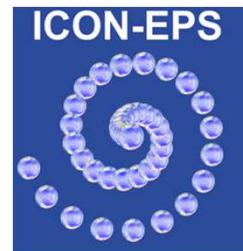
**TIGGE (Thorpex Interactive Grand Global Ensemble) ?**

### Documentation

**The spread skill properties of the global ICON Ensemble**

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in preparation

**Global Ensemble MOS**    S. Trepte, R. Hess



### Cooperation with ECMWF



	Topic / Action points	DWD responsible	ECMWF responsible
1.	<b>Verification:</b> Estimation of observation error and investigations on the spread-skill reliability	F. Fundel M. Denhard	To be defined
2.	<b>Initial Condition perturbations:</b> New Singular Vector (SV) approximations for the short range in ICON and comparison to the ECMWF SVs	M. Denhard J. Winkler	M. Leutbecher S. Lang
3.	<b>Stochastic Parameterization:</b> Tests of the Plant-Craig extension in the Tiedtke-Bechthold convection parametrization scheme in ICON.	G. Zängl M. Denhard	To be defined
4.	<b>Model error representation:</b> Implementation of the new EM-scheme in ICON and comparison to SPPT and SPP at ECMWF.	T. Heppelmann, M. Sprengel M. Köhler, C. Gebhardt, E. Machulskaya	S.J. Lock M. Leutbecher
5.	<b>Diagnostics:</b> Collaboration with ECMWF on the effects of model error schemes in global Ensembles.		

