

Semi-automatic tuning procedure for a GCM targeting continental surfaces: a first experiment using in situ observations

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Meteorological measuring mast from SIRT
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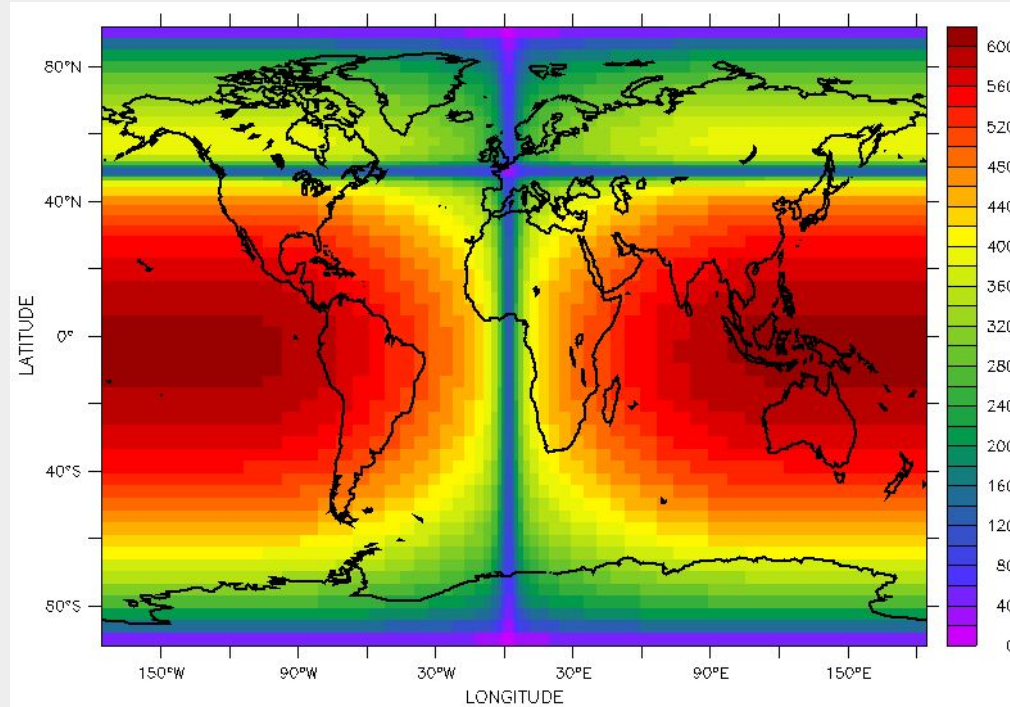
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- **biaises** remain over land surfaces (ex : surface radiations and near-surface temperature in summer) (*Cheruy et al, 2014*)
- add a step **less computationally costly** than global AMIP runs
- take advantage of **in situ observations** : hourly joint colocated data + radiations from the surface

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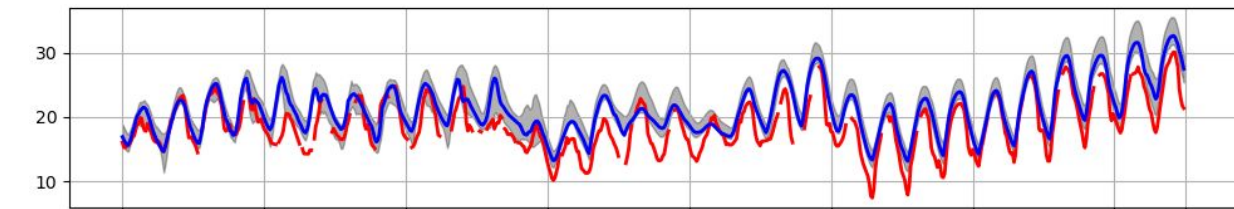
Grid mesh size in km

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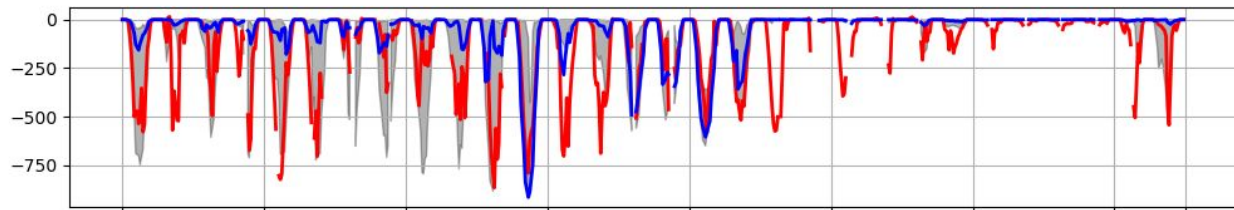
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Spread of an ensemble of 180 simulations, obtained by randomly sampled the parameter space that is not ruled out by the step 1, compared to SIRTA's observations and our reference simulation for june 2018 (hourly outputs)

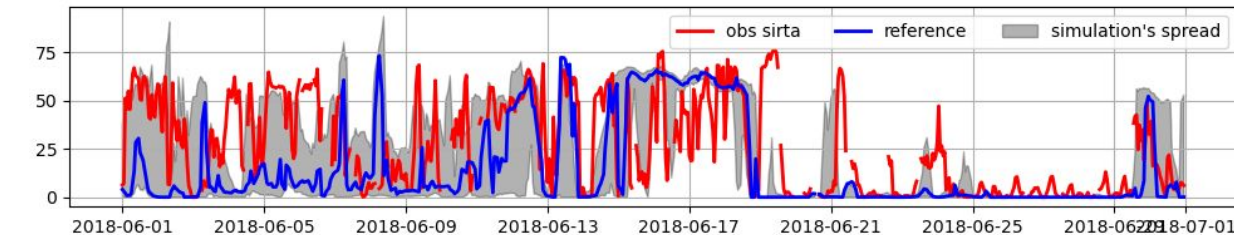
2m
Temperature
(°C)



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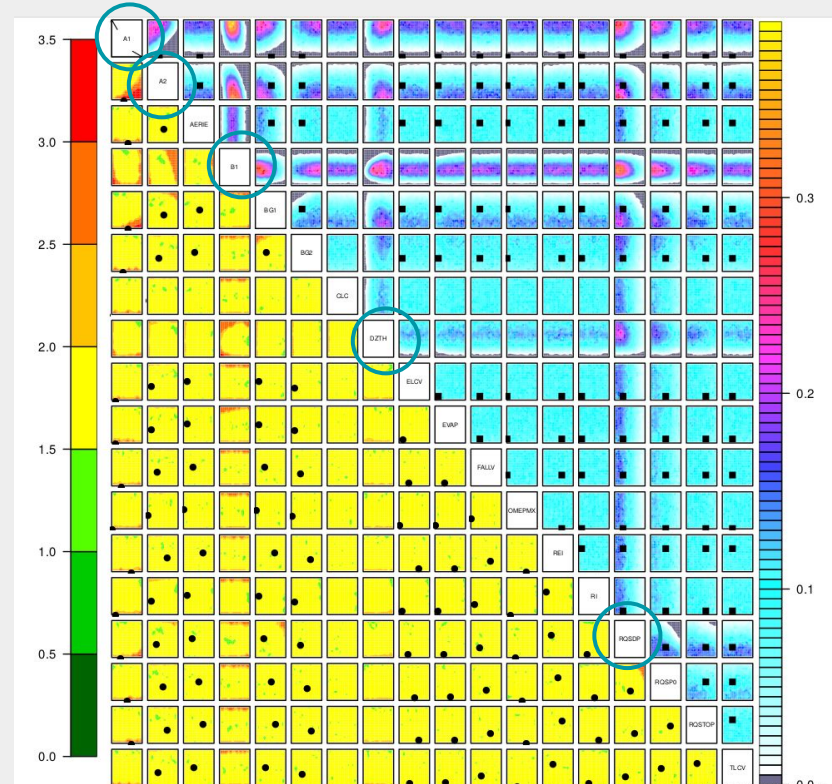
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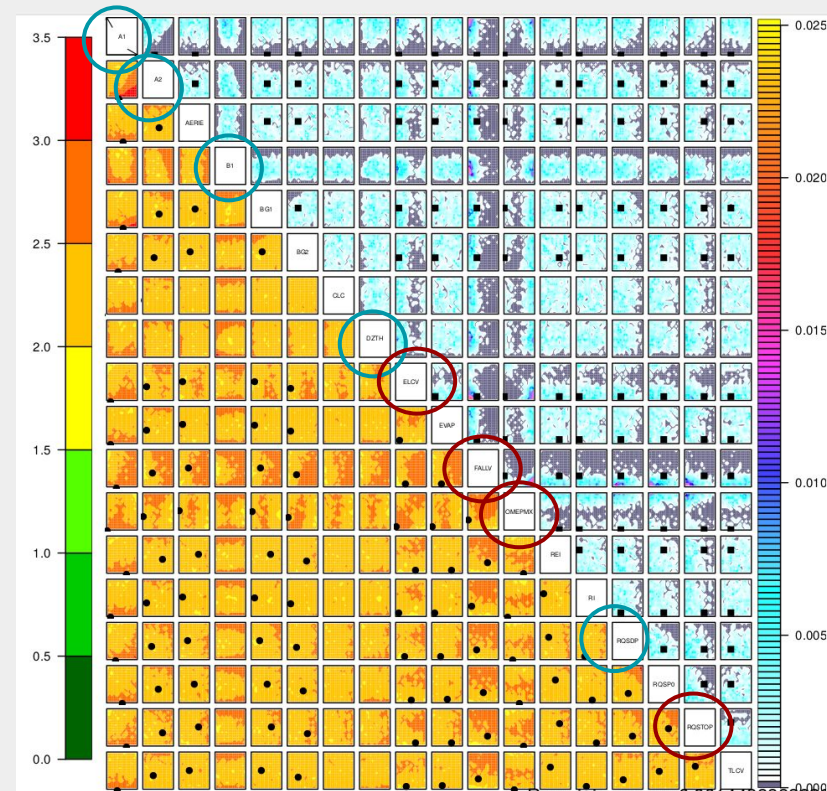
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involved in **deep convection**



Conclusions and outlooks

Conclusions :

- Succeed in building a method to tune the model at the surface using in situ observations
- New parameters are constrained compare to the Single Column vs Large Eddies Simulation tuning

To go further :

- evaluate this results with other observations site
- work on the representativeness of the site to benefit from other observations like turbulent fluxes
- add another free parameters from land surface model to evaluate the spread of its response
- add other observations site from other climate (semi-arid, polar climate...)

Main question raised during the work :

- How to choose well the metrics and their related uncertainty ?

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