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# **Verification of Operational Weather Prediction Models**

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## More information...

Verification results are also available on internal web pages

- <http://metcoop.smhi.se/> - MetCoOp Web Tools - including verification and observation monitoring
- <http://verif/vmap/> - timeseries and windroses - on Google map

## Models

The following Numerical Weather Prediction (NWP) models are verified in this report.

ECMWF

Global model (IFS) at the European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts. From 26 January 2010 horizontal resolution approximately  $16 \times 16 \text{ km}^2$ . From 8 March 2016 cycle 41r2 with horizontal resolution about 9 km. ECMWF is available about 5 hours later than models run at MET.

MetCoOp ensemble system (MEPSctrl)

MEPS has 30 lagged ensemble members, constructed from 5 members updated hourly and run up to 66 hours. Only member 0, the control, is verified in this report. MEPS is based on HARMONIE with AROME physics and non-hydrostatic dynamics, horizontal resolution defined by a  $2.5 \times 2.5 \text{ km}^2$  grid. Experimental with cycle 37h1.1 from November 2012, on Yr since 1 October 2013, operational since March 2014, cycle 38h1.2 from December 2014 and cycle 40h1.1 since November 2016. MEPS is run in cooperation with Swedish Meteorological and Hydrological Institute (SMHI), Finnish Meteorological Institute (FMI) and Estonian Environment Agency (ESTEA).

AROME-Arctic (AA25)

HARMONIE with AROME physics, horizontal resolution defined by a  $2.5 \times 2.5 \text{ km}^2$  grid. Experimental with cycle 38h1.2 from 15 October 2015, on Yr from 14 December 2016, cycle 40h1.1 since June 2017.

Analysis and lead times of forecasts are denoted by e.g. 00+30 UTC which indicates forecast generated at 00 UTC and valid 30 hours later.

A change log for HARMONIE AROME is available on internal webpages  
<https://metcoop.smhi.se/dokuwiki/nwp/metcoop/changelog/start>.

## Post processed forecasts

Most of the raw NWP model data are post processed before being published on Yr.

The met nordic temperature forecasts, YrPP in the plots, are post-processed forecasts based on the latest MEPS control run. The MEPS temperature forecasts are first downscaled to 1 km resolution using the model lapse rate in a neighbourhood. The forecasts are then bias corrected using a fine scale 1 km temperature analysis as reference. The temperature analysis is based on multiple data sources using both conventional and citizen observations.

10 m wind speed is statistically post processed to represent maximum wind speed 10m last hour, and called YrPP.

## The HARMONIE system

HARMONIE is the acronym for HIRLAM's meso-scale forecast system (Hirlam Aladin Regional/Meso-scale Operational NWP In Europe). For documentation see

- *The HARMONIE-AROME Model Configuration in the ALADIN-HIRLAM NWP System* by Bengtsson et al. 2017, available at <https://doi.org/10.1175/MWR-D-16-0417.1>
- *AROME-MetCoOp: A Nordic Convective-Scale Operational Weather Prediction Model* by Müller et al. 2017, available at <https://doi.org/10.1175/WAF-D-16-0099.1>

More documentation is also available on <http://www.cnrm.meteo.fr/gmapdoc/> and <http://hirlam.org/>.

This section presents some of the main components and setups that are used at MET.

### AROME physics

AROME (Applications of Research to Operations at MEsoscale) is targeted for horizontal resolution 2.5 km or finer. It uses physical parameterizations based on the French academia model Meso-NH and the external surface model SURFEX. AROME has been operational at Météo-France since 18 December 2008 with a horizontal resolution of 2.5 km and 65 vertical layers, and from April 2015 1.3 km and 90 vertical layers.

### SURFEX as surface model

SURFEX (Surface externalisée) is developed at Météo-France and academia for offline experiments and introduced in NWP models to ensure consistent treatment of processes related to surface. Météo-France uses SURFEX in all their configurations. Surface modelling and assimilation benefit from the possibility of running offline experiments. SURFEX is also used for offline applications in e.g. hydrology, vegetation monitoring and snow avalanche forecasts.

SURFEX includes routines to simulate the exchange of energy and water between the atmosphere and 4 surface types (tiles); land, sea (ocean), lake (inland water) and town. The land or nature tile can be divided further into 12 vegetation types (patches). ISBA (Interaction between Soil Biosphere and Atmosphere) is used for modelling the land surface processes. There are 3 ISBA options; 2- and 3-layer force restore and a diffusive approach, where the first one is used in HIRLAM. Towns may be treated by a separate TEB (Town Energy Balance) module. Seas and lakes are also treated separately. The lake model, FLAKE (Freshwater LAKE), has recently been introduced in SURFEX. A global ECOCLIMAP database which combines land cover maps and satellite information gives information about surface properties. The orography is taken from gtopo30.

*SURFEX Scientific Documentation and User's Guide* are available on <http://www.cnrm.meteo.fr/surfex/>

## **Data assimilation**

NWP models are updated regularly using observations received in real-time from the global observing system. MEPS is updated each third hour; at 00, 03, 06, 09, 12, 15, 18 and 21 UTC.

## **Surface analysis**

Surface analysis is performed by CANARI (Code d'Analyse Nécessaire à ARPEGE pour ses Rejets et son Initialisation) (Taillefer, 2002). The analysis method is Optimal Interpolation and only conventional synoptic observations are used. 2 meter temperature and relative humidity observations are used to update the surface and soil temperature and moisture.

The snow analysis is also performed with CANARI in analogy with the HIRLAM snow analysis. Snow depth observations are used to update Snow Water Equivalent. The snow fields are analysed only at 06 UTC as there are very few snow depth observations at 00, 03, 09, 12, 15, 18 and 21.

The Sea Surface Temperature (SST) and Sea Ice Concentration (SIC) is not analysed, but taken from the boundaries. ECMWF uses the OSTIA (Operational Sea Surface Temperature and Sea Ice Analysis) product, including SST from UK Met Office and SIC from MET. SST and SIC for the Baltic Sea have since 26 November 2015 been taken from ocean models run at SMHI; first HIROMB and since 26 April 2017 NEMO.

The surface temperature over sea ice was taken from the boundary model and remained unchanged through the forecast. A simple thermodynamical sea ice scheme (SICE) giving prognostic sea ice temperatures in 4 fixed layers was introduced 26 November 2015.

## **Upper air analysis**

MEPS runs three dimensional variational (3D VAR) data assimilation using conventional observations from synop stations, ships, radiosondes and aircrafts and AMSU-A and AMSU-B/MHS data from polar orbiting NOAA and METOP satellites. GNSS were introduced 17 February 2015, radar reflectivities 16 June 2015, IASI 26 November 2015 and ASCAT 17 March 2016.

## **Boundary fields**

MEPS gets its boundary values (1-hourly) from the ECMWF model at approximately 16 km resolution, and has currently 65 vertical levels. None of the HARMONIE configurations at MET have applied digital filter initialization (DFI).

## Verification measures

All model forecasts in this report are verified against observations by interpolating (linear) the grid based forecasts to the observational sites. As a consequence, it should be noted that it is the models' abilities to forecast the observations that is being quantified and assessed. Thus, there is no attempt in this report to verify area averaged precipitation for example.

Verification is carried out both for raw and categorized forecasts. In the following, let  $f_1, \dots, f_n$  denote the forecasts and  $o_1, \dots, o_n$  the corresponding observations.

### Forecasts of continuous variables

The verification statistics applied to continuous variables are defined in the table below

Statistic	Acronym	Formula	Range	Optimal score
Mean Error	ME	$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (f_i - o_i)$	$-\infty$ to $\infty$	0
Mean Absolute Error	MAE	$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n  f_i - o_i $	0 to $\infty$	0
Standard Deviation of Error	SDE	$\left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (f_i - o_i - ME)^2 \right)^{1/2}$	0 to $\infty$	0
Root Mean Square Error	RMSE	$\left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (f_i - o_i)^2 \right)^{1/2}$	0 to $\infty$	0
Correlation	COR	$\frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (f_i - \bar{f})(o_i - \bar{o})}{SD(f)SD(o)}$	-1 to 1	1

In the formula for COR the following definitions are used

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{f} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n f_i, & \bar{o} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n o_i \\ SD(f) &= \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (f_i - \bar{f})^2 \right)^{1/2}, & SD(o) &= \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (o_i - \bar{o})^2 \right)^{1/2}\end{aligned}$$

for the means and standard deviations of the forecasts and observations.

## Forecasts of categorical variables

All variables in this report are continuous in raw form, but it is possible to categorize them and verify these. For example, wind speed above a given threshold could be of interest which would result in two possible outcomes (yes and no). The verification is then completely summarized by a contingency table as the one shown below

		event observed	
		yes	no
event forecasted	yes	$a$	$b$
	no	$c$	$d$

Verification statistics for such forecasts are listed in the following table

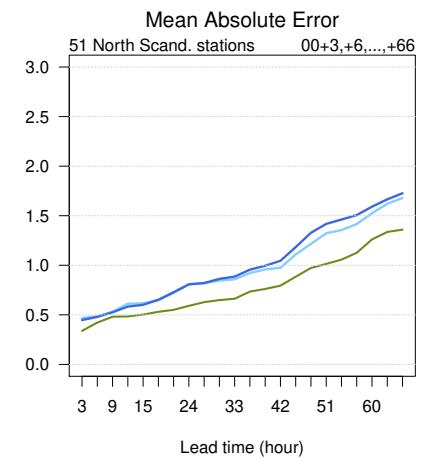
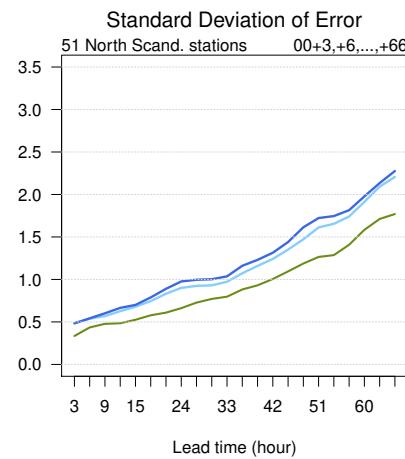
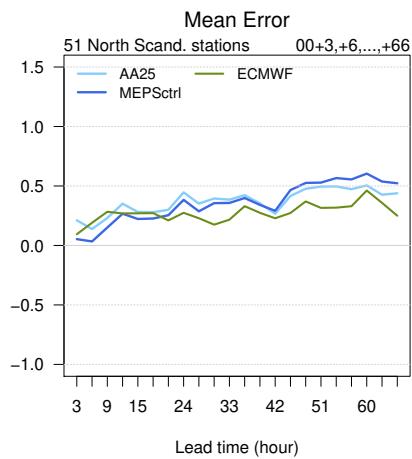
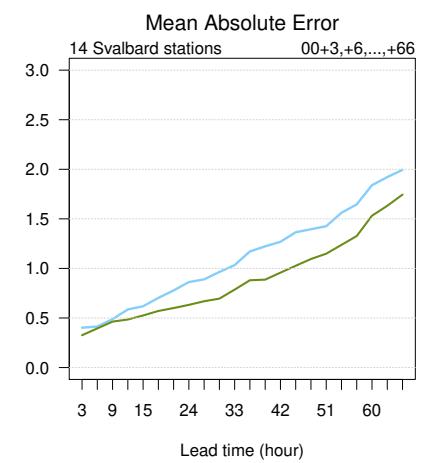
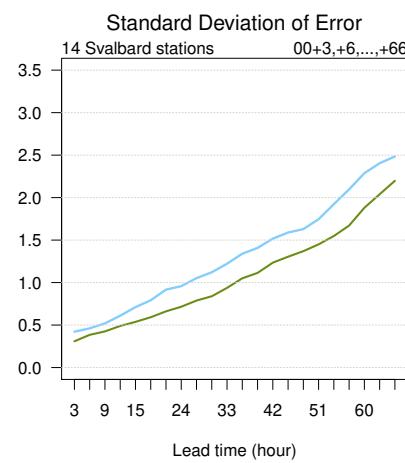
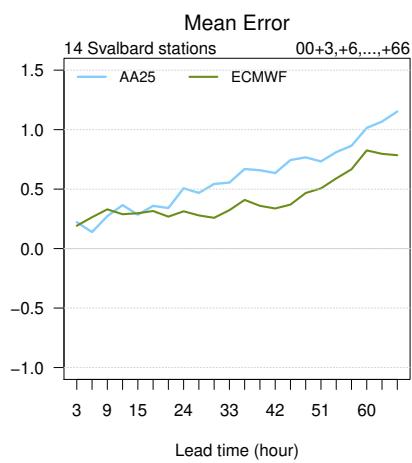
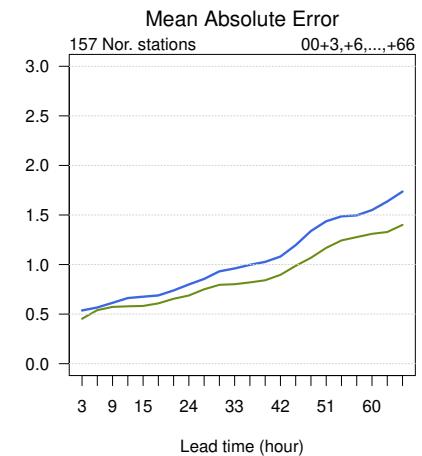
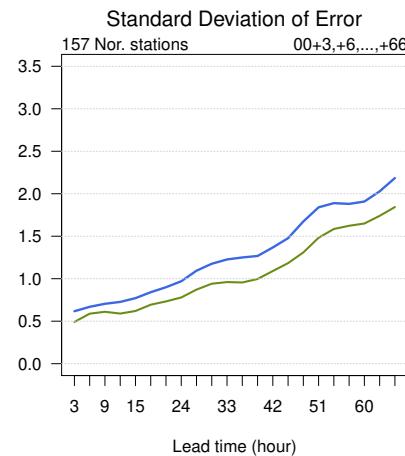
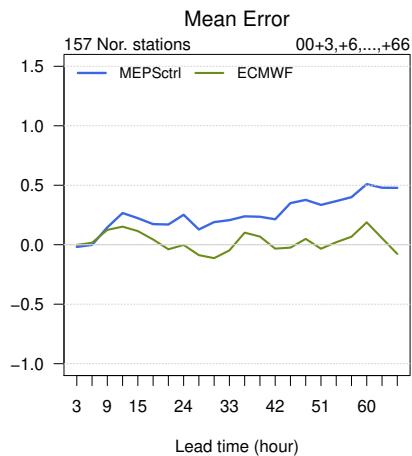
Statistic	Acronym	Formula	Range	Optimal score
Hit rate	HR	$\frac{a}{a+c}$	0 to 1	1
False alarm rate	F	$\frac{b}{b+d}$	0 to 1	0
False alarm ratio	FAR	$\frac{b}{a+b}$	0 to 1	0
Equitable threat score	ETS	$\frac{a - ar}{a + b + c - ar}$	-1/3 to 1	1 (0 = no skill)
Hanssen-Kuipers skill score	KSS	HR - F	-1 to 1	1 (0 = no skill)
Heidke skill score	HSS	$\frac{(a+d)/n - ssf}{1 - ssf}$	$-\infty$ to 1	1 (0 = no skill)

In the formula for ETS  $ar = (a+b)(a+c)/n$ .

In the formula for HSS the score for the standard forecast  $ssf = [(a+b)(a+c) + (b+d)(c+d)]/n^2$ .

## Observations

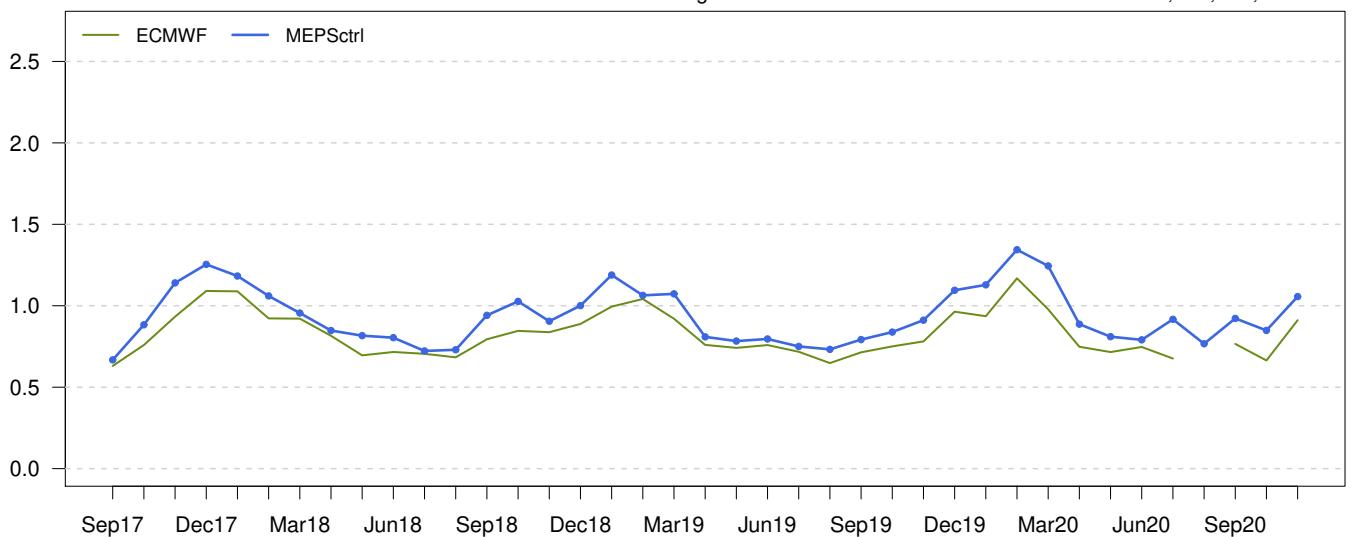
All observations come from Klimadatavarehuset at MET. Only synop stations are used. The model wind speed is verified against mean wind observations, FF. The post processed wind speed is intended to represent maximum wind speed 10m last hour, and is verified against FX.



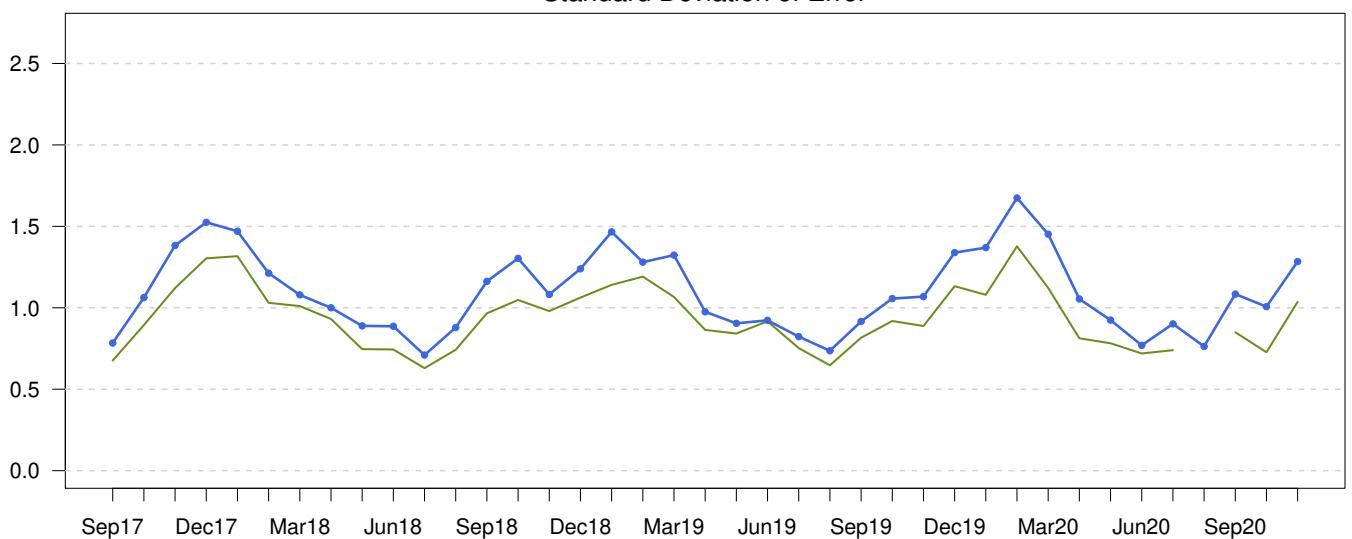
## Mean Absolute Error

126 Norwegian stations

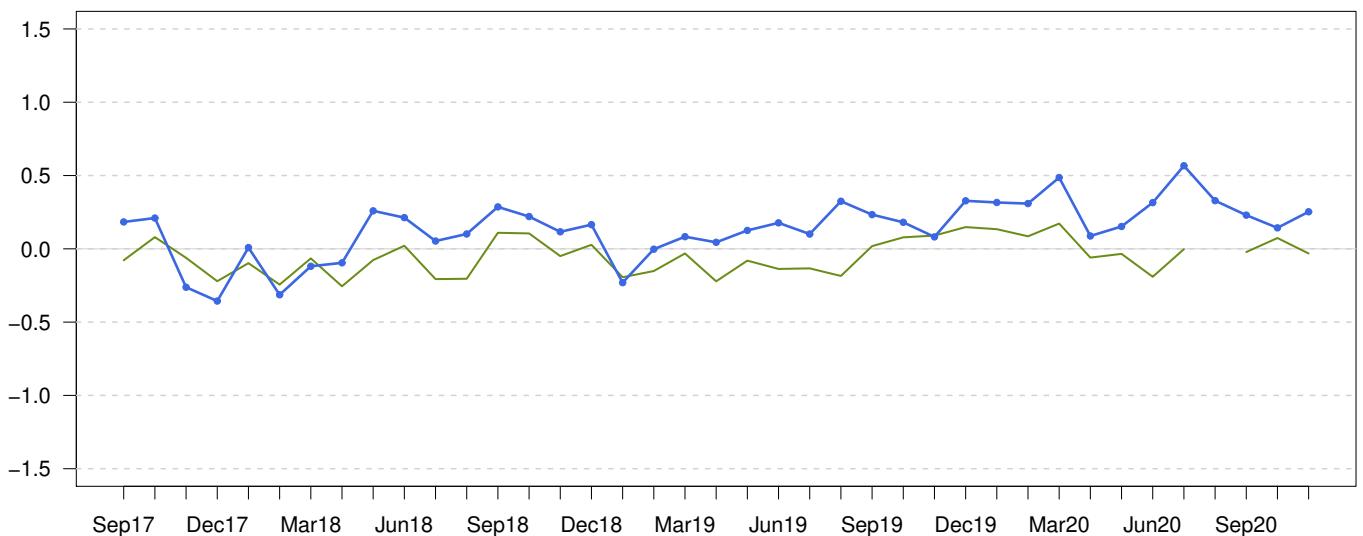
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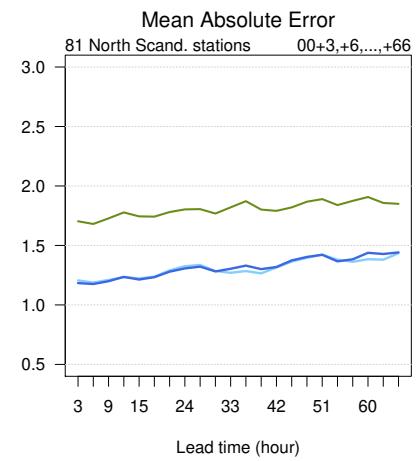
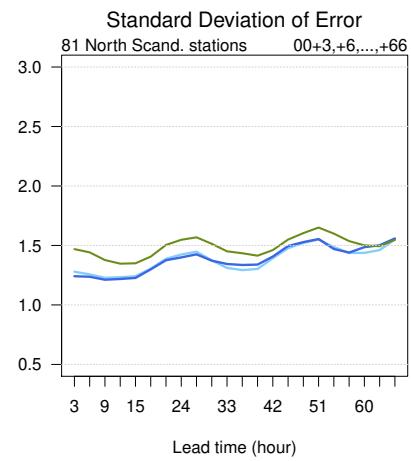
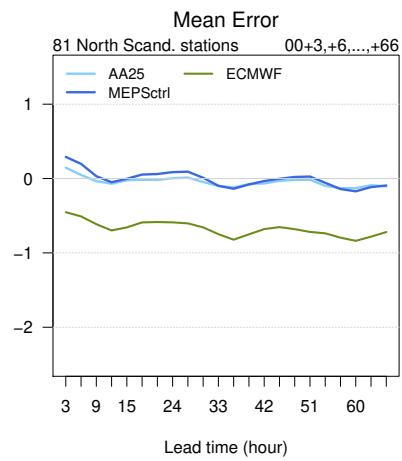
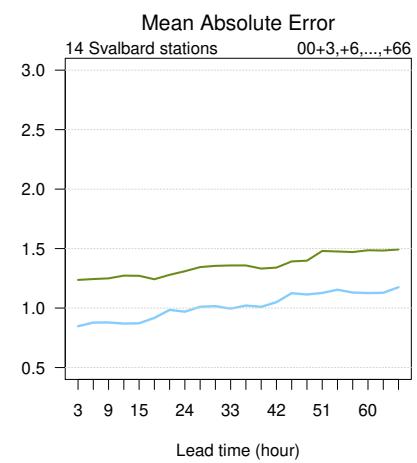
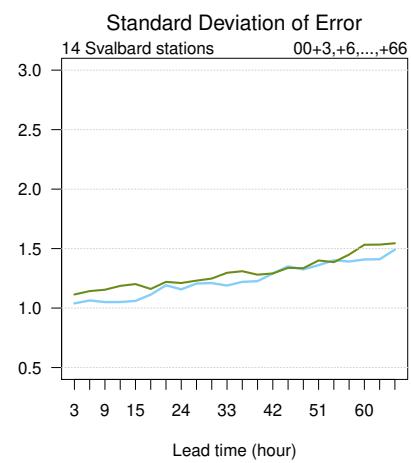
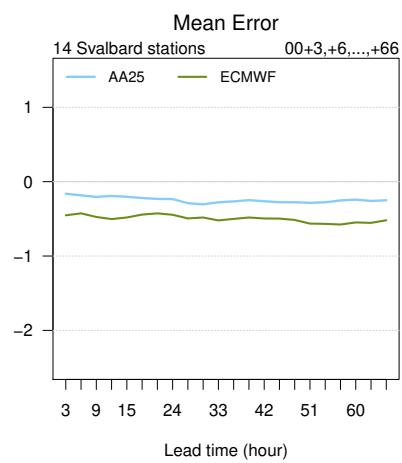
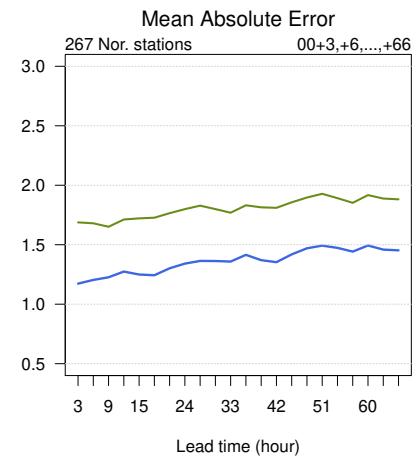
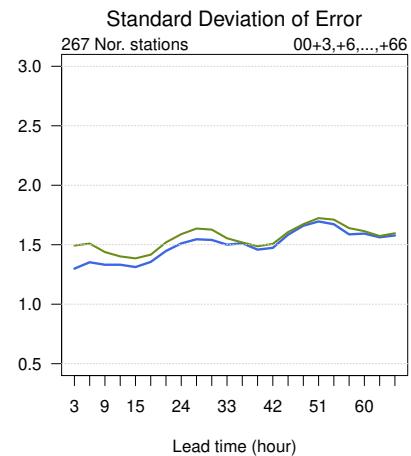
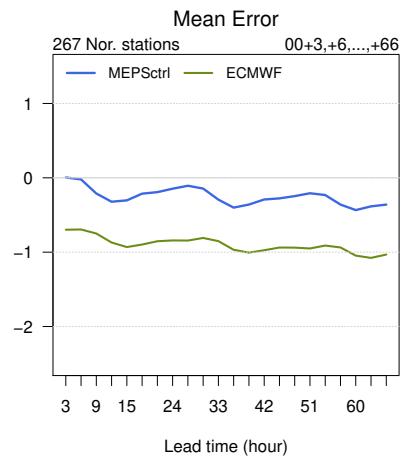


## Standard Deviation of Error



## Mean Error





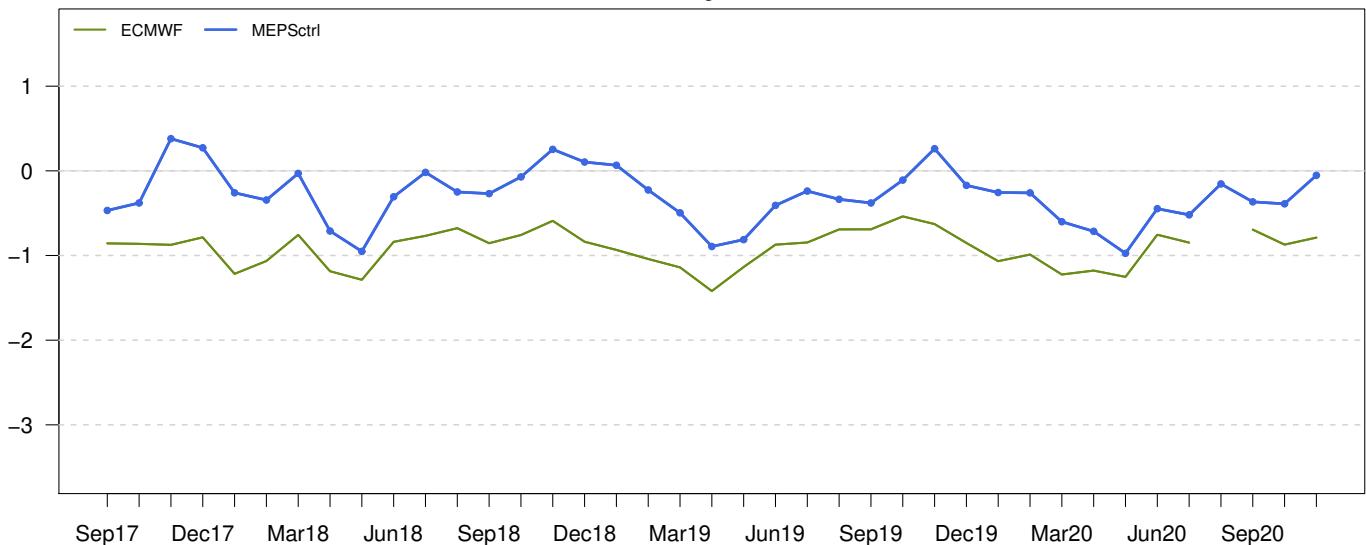
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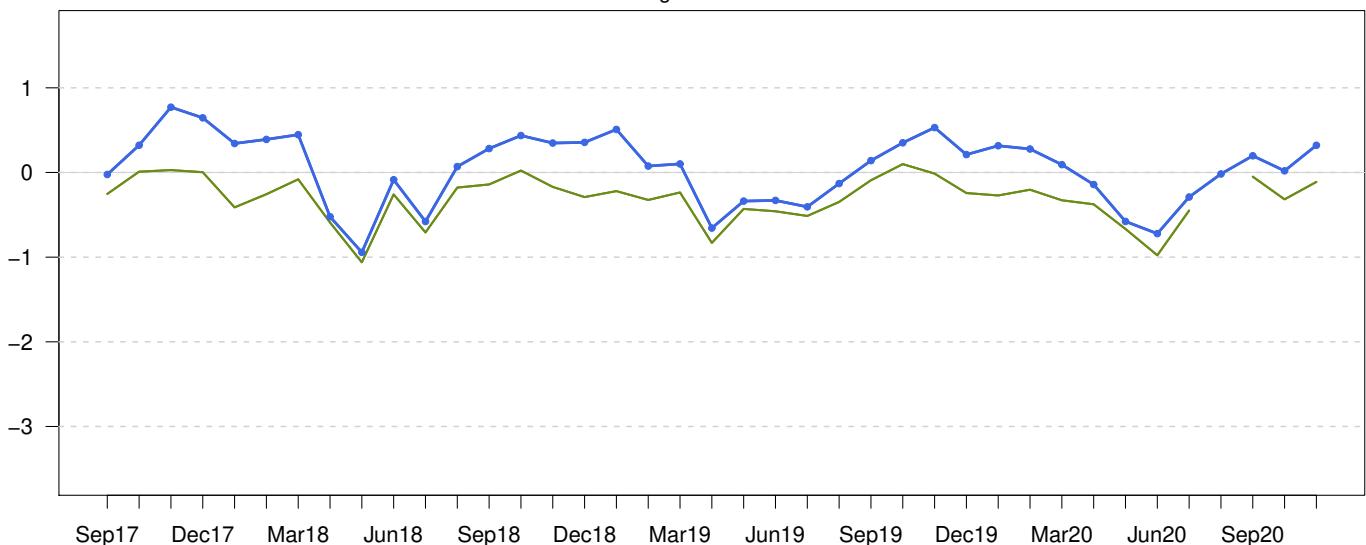
Mean Error

169 Norwegian stations

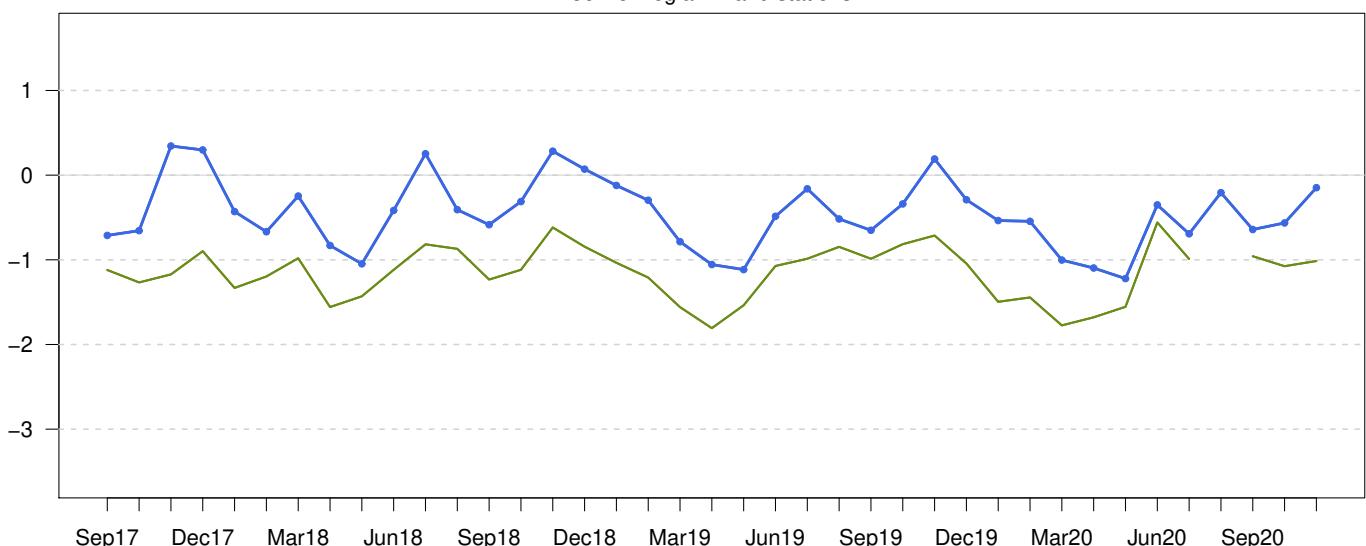
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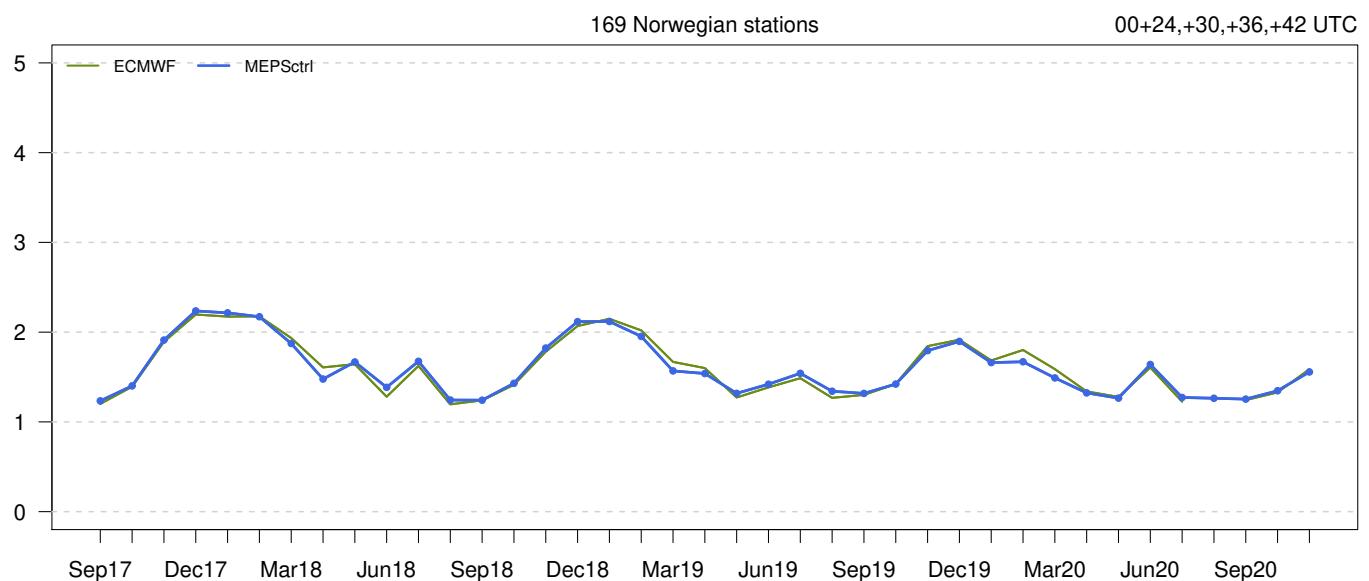
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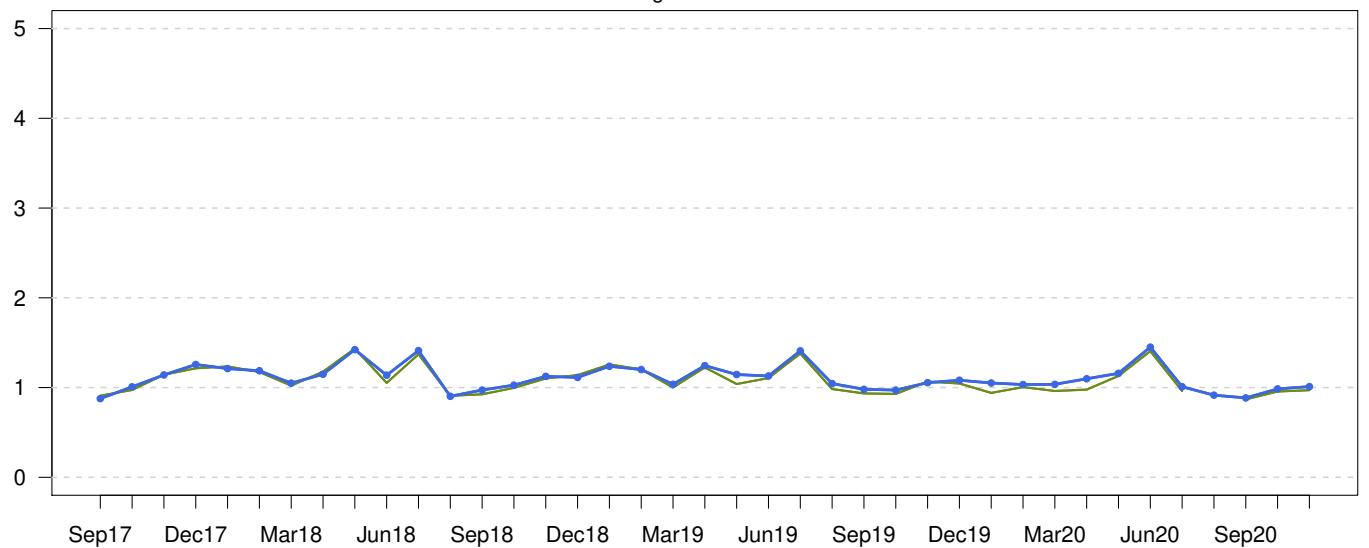
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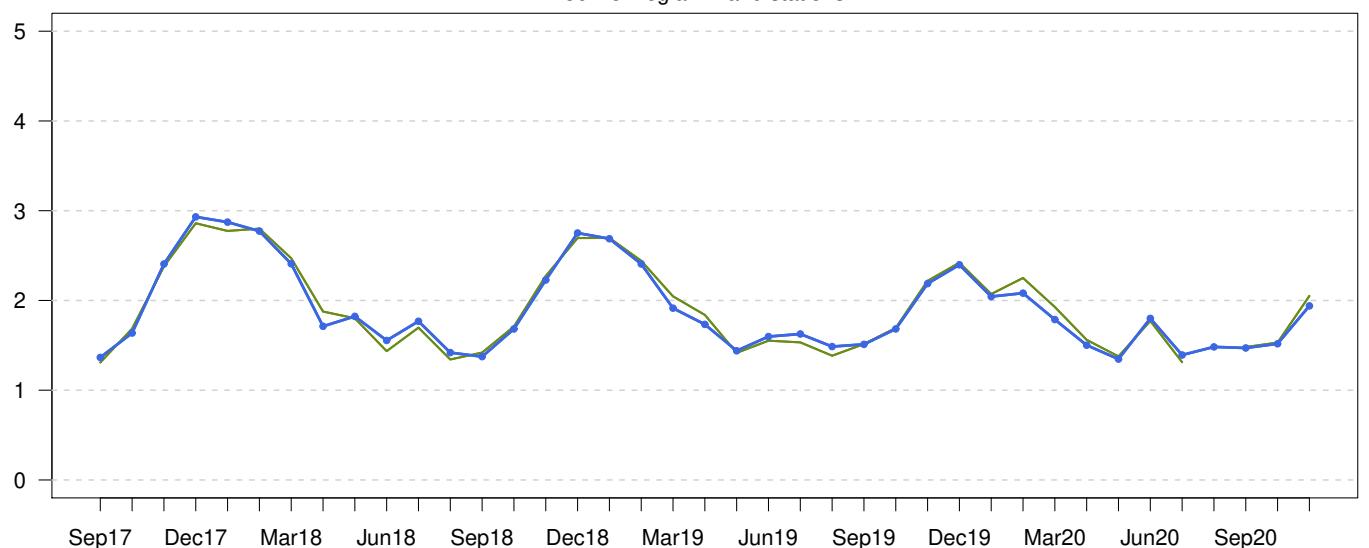
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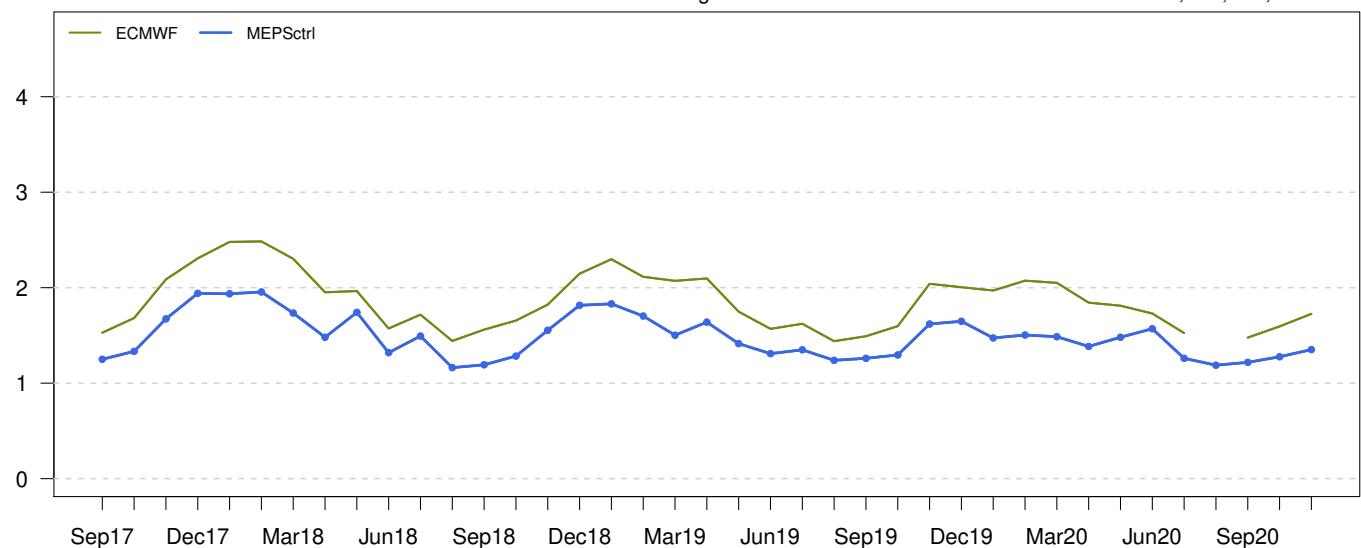
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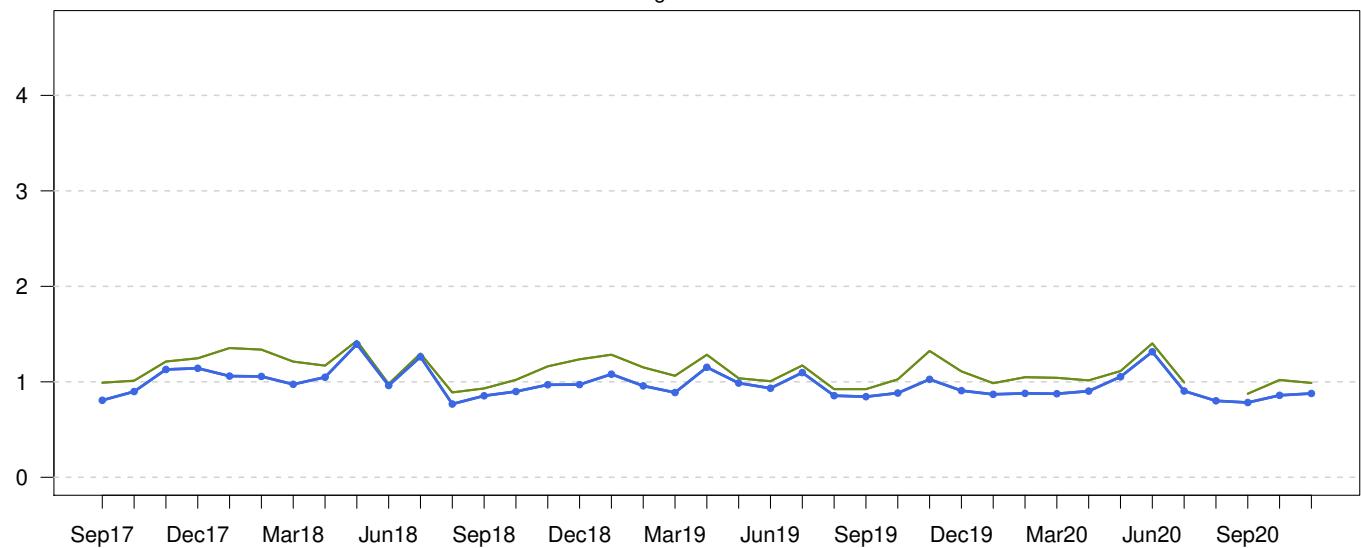
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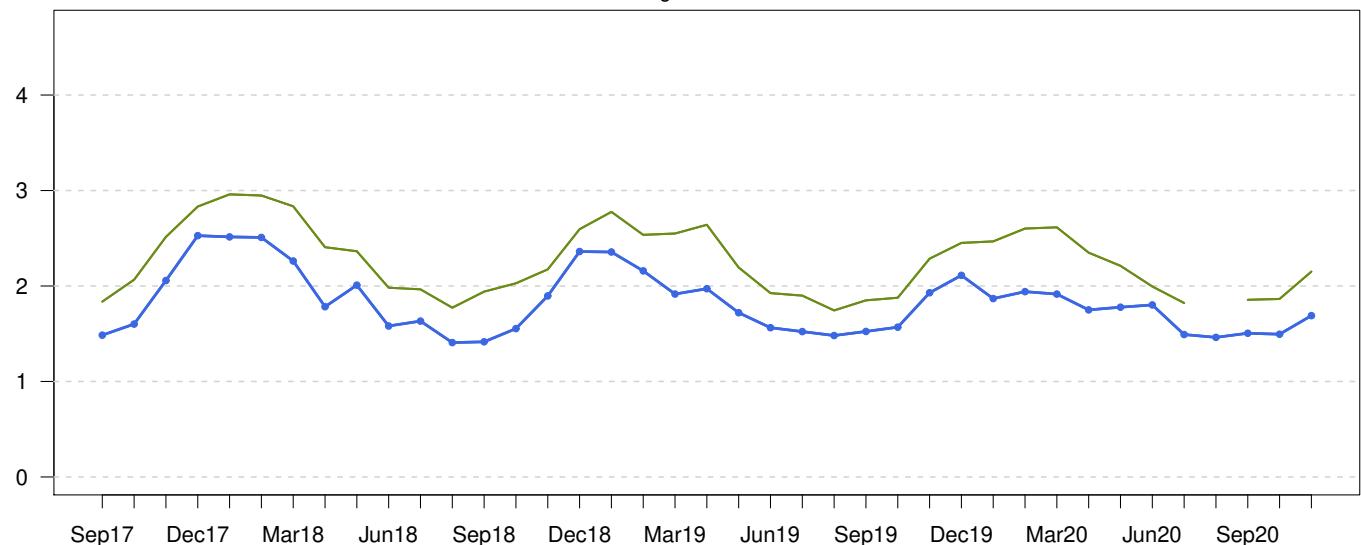
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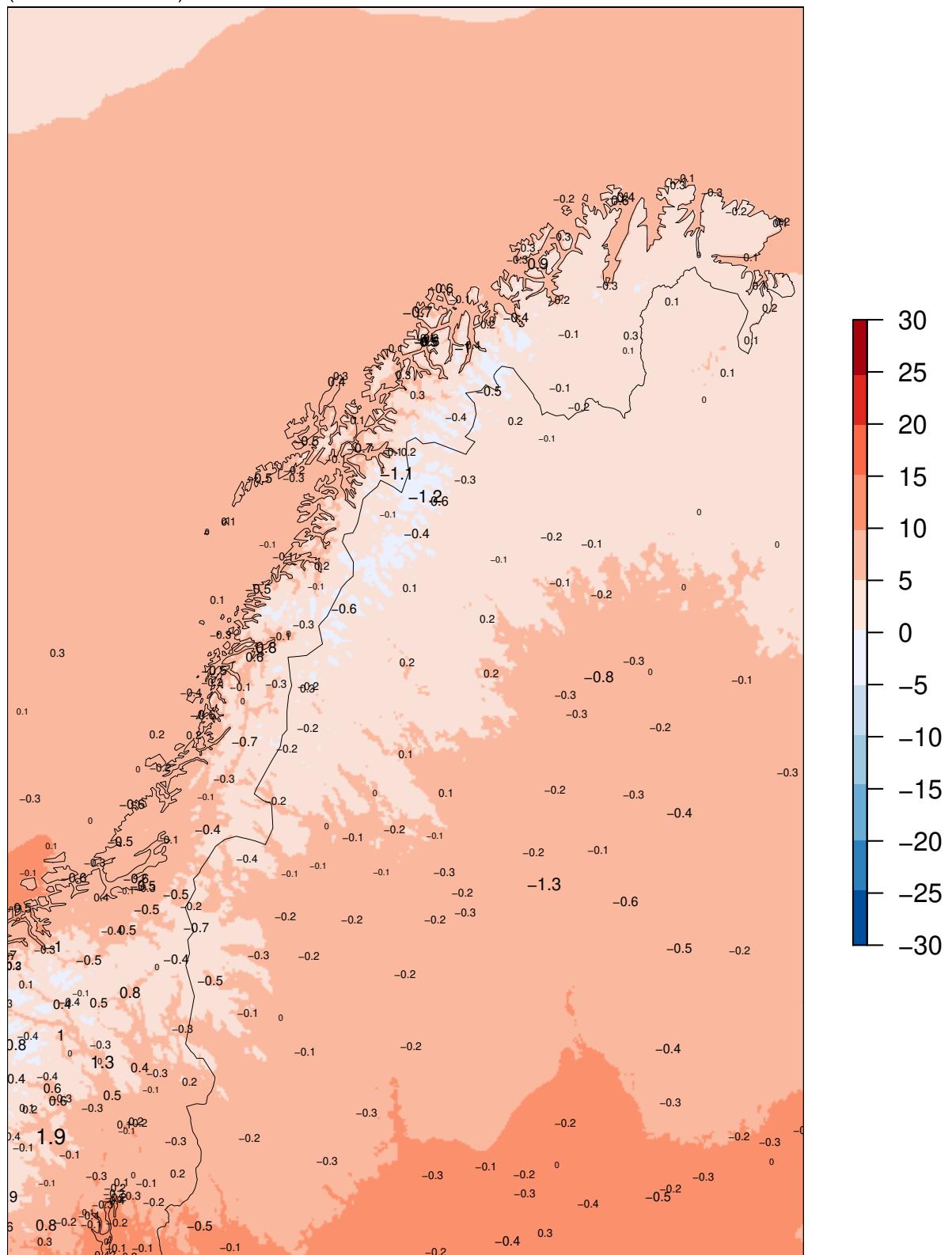


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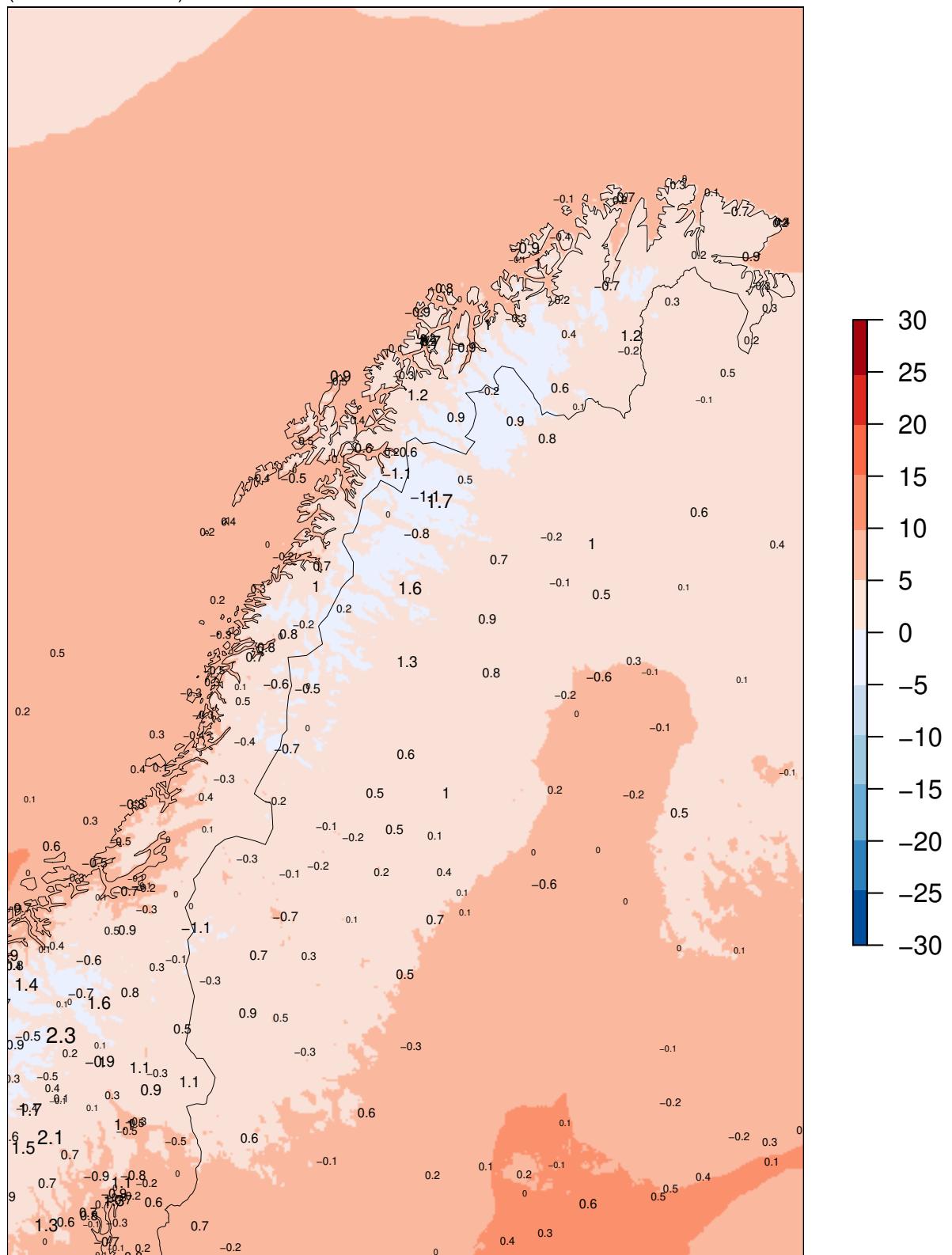
ME at observing sites  
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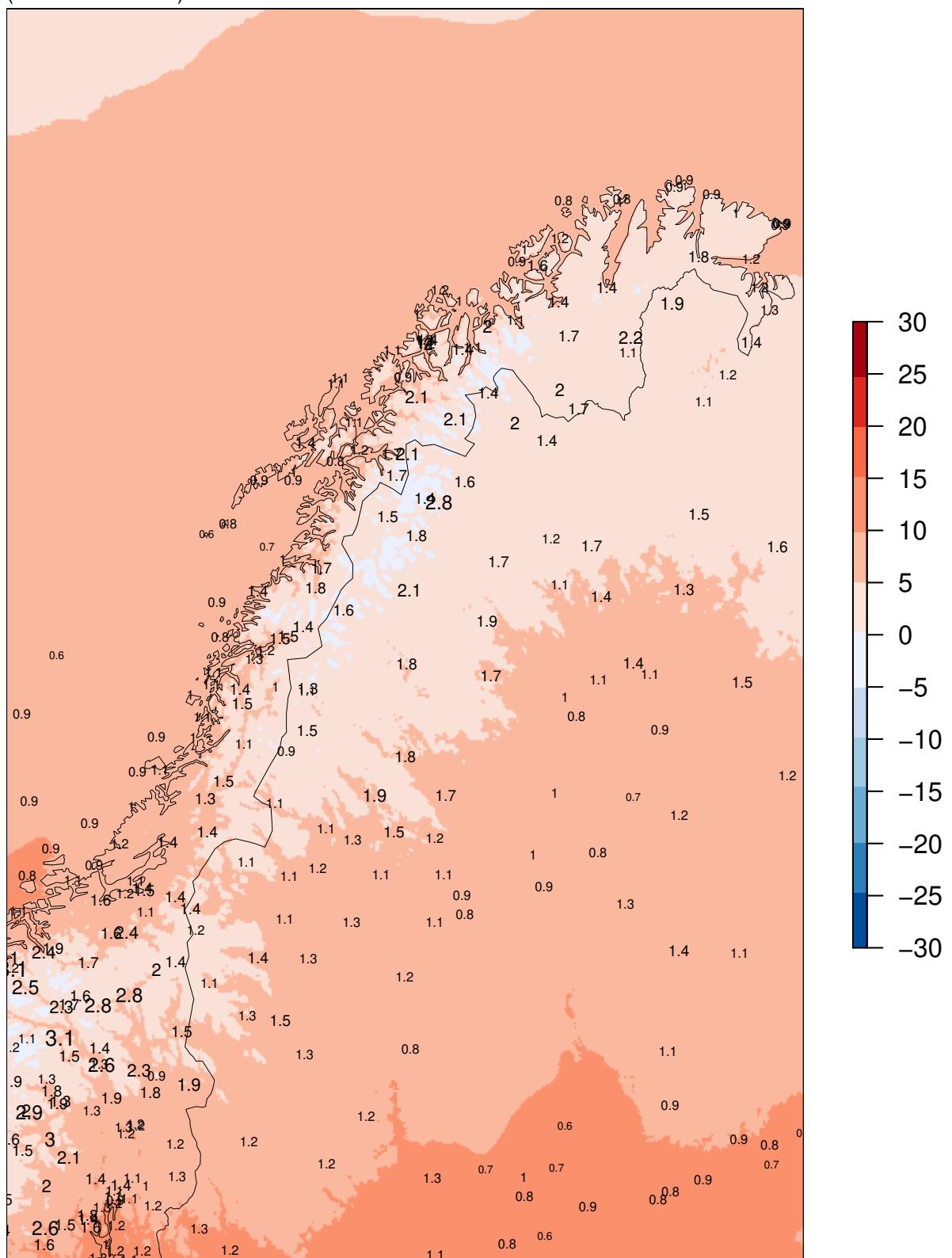
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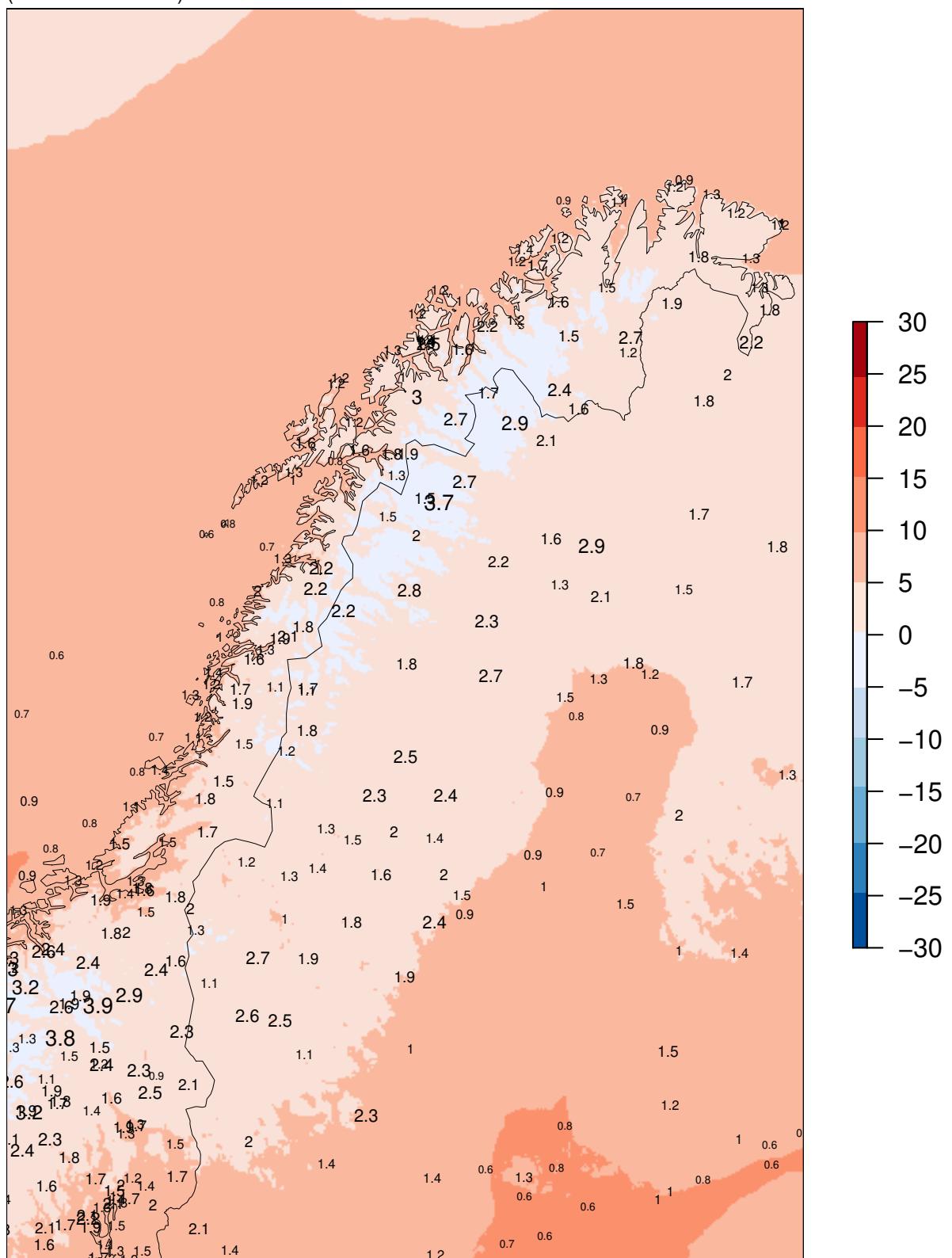
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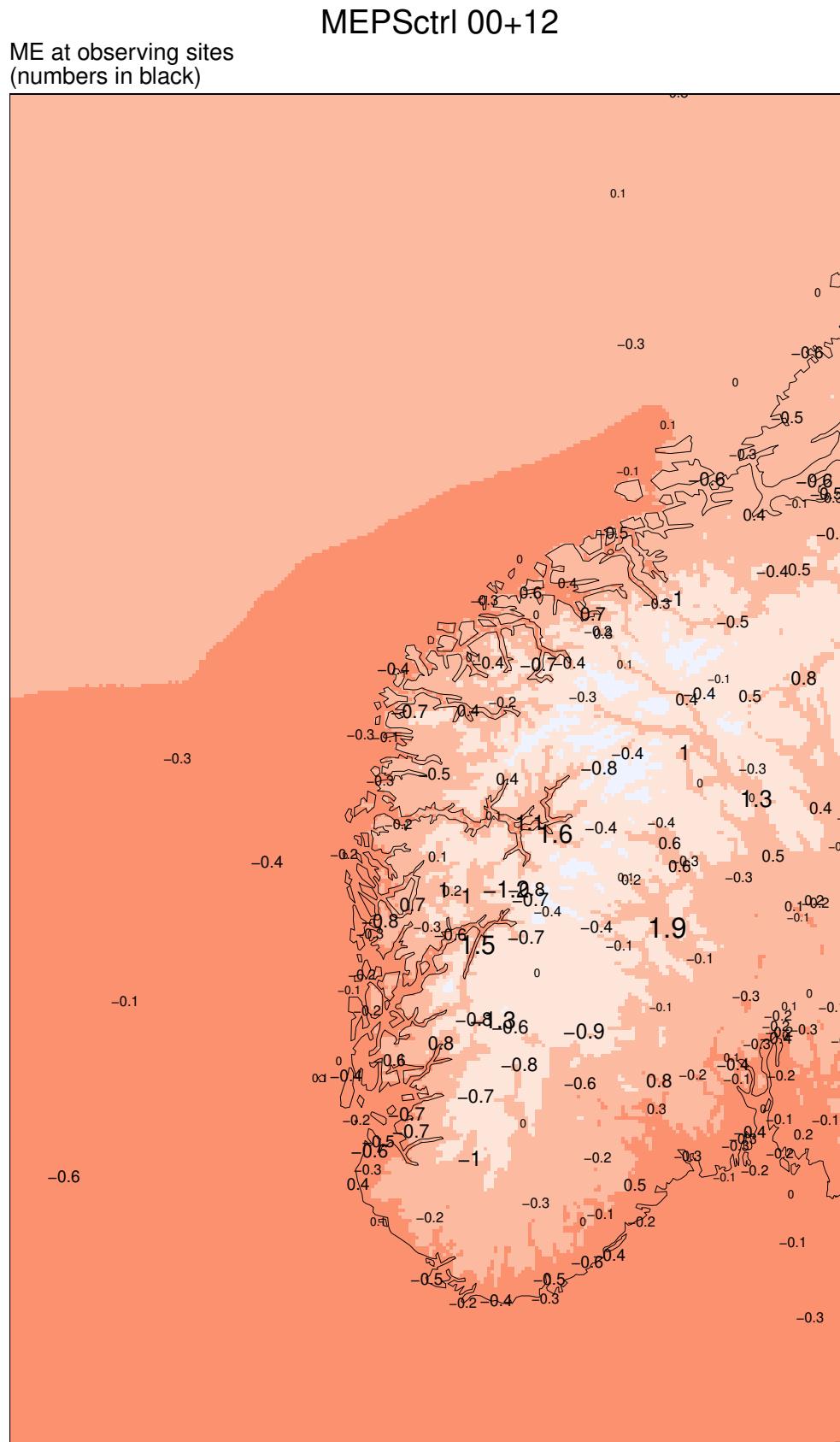
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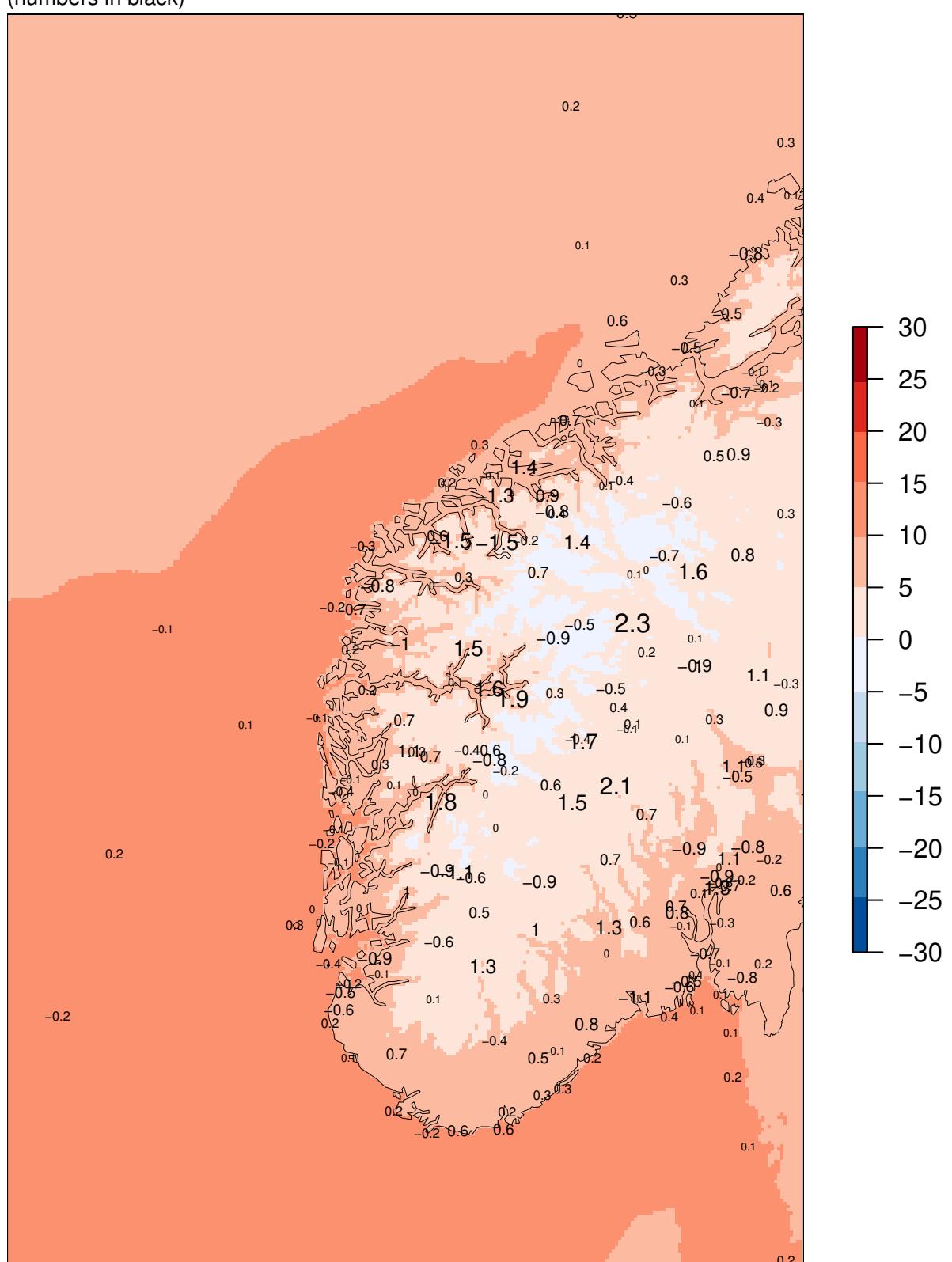
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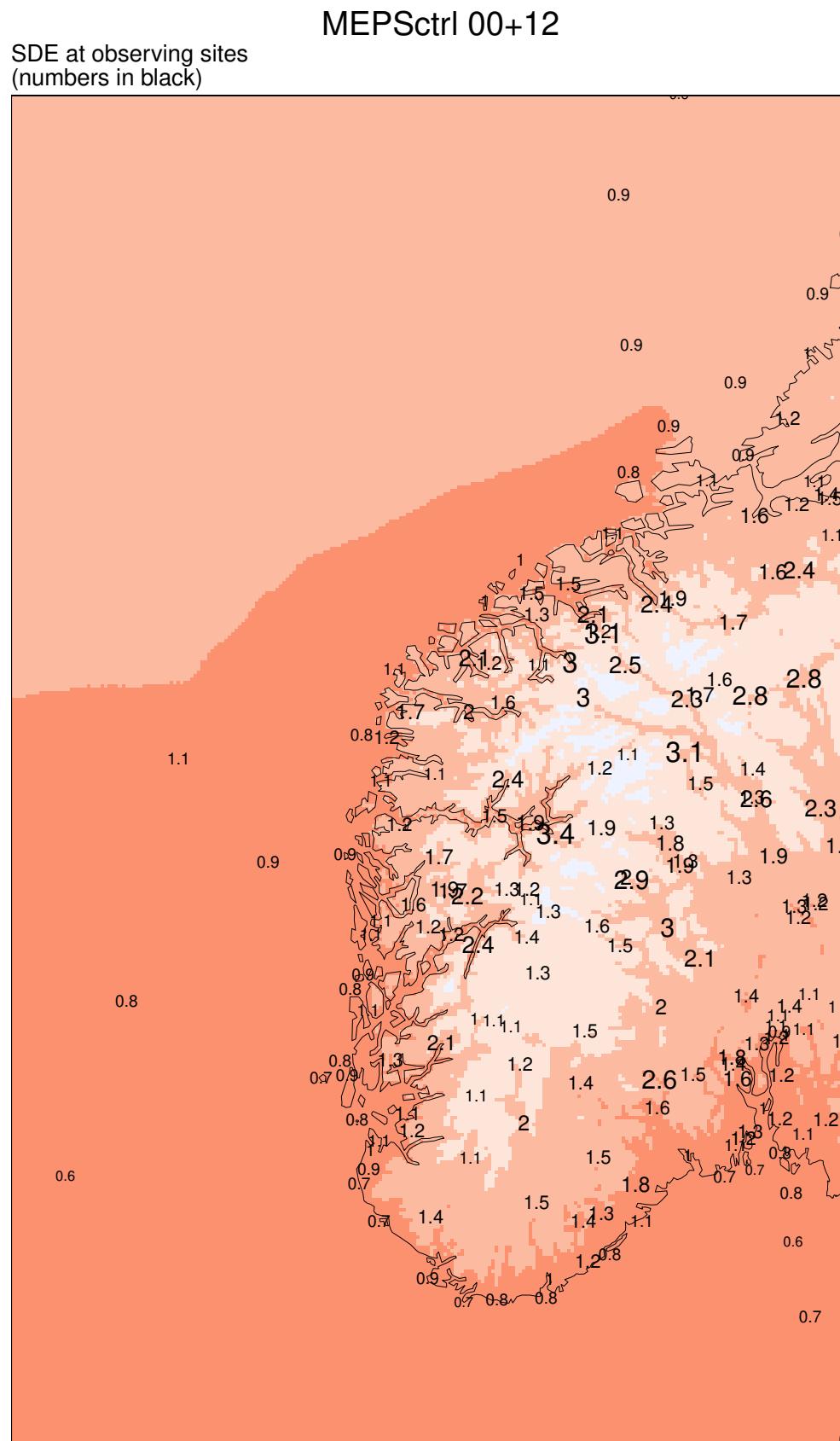
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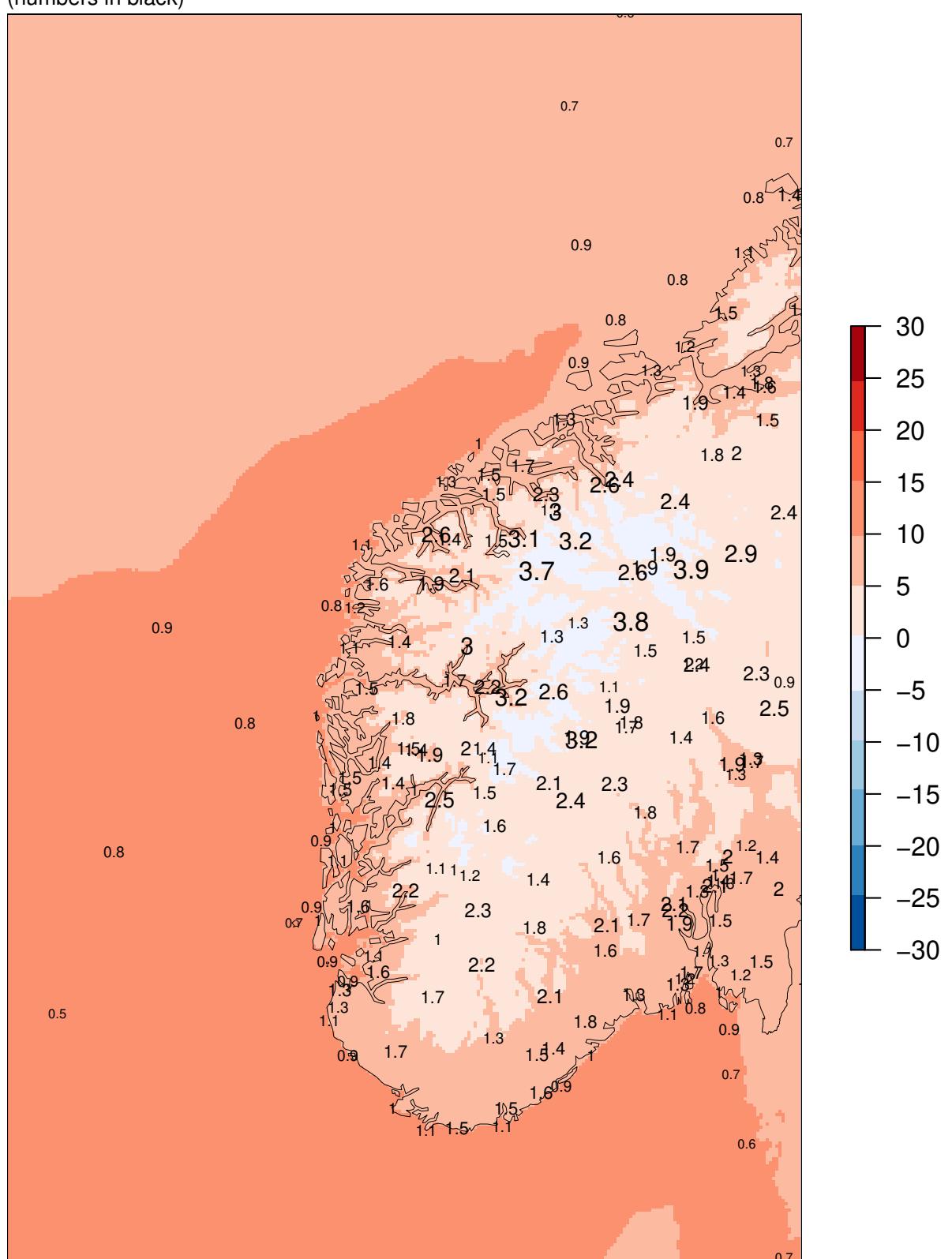


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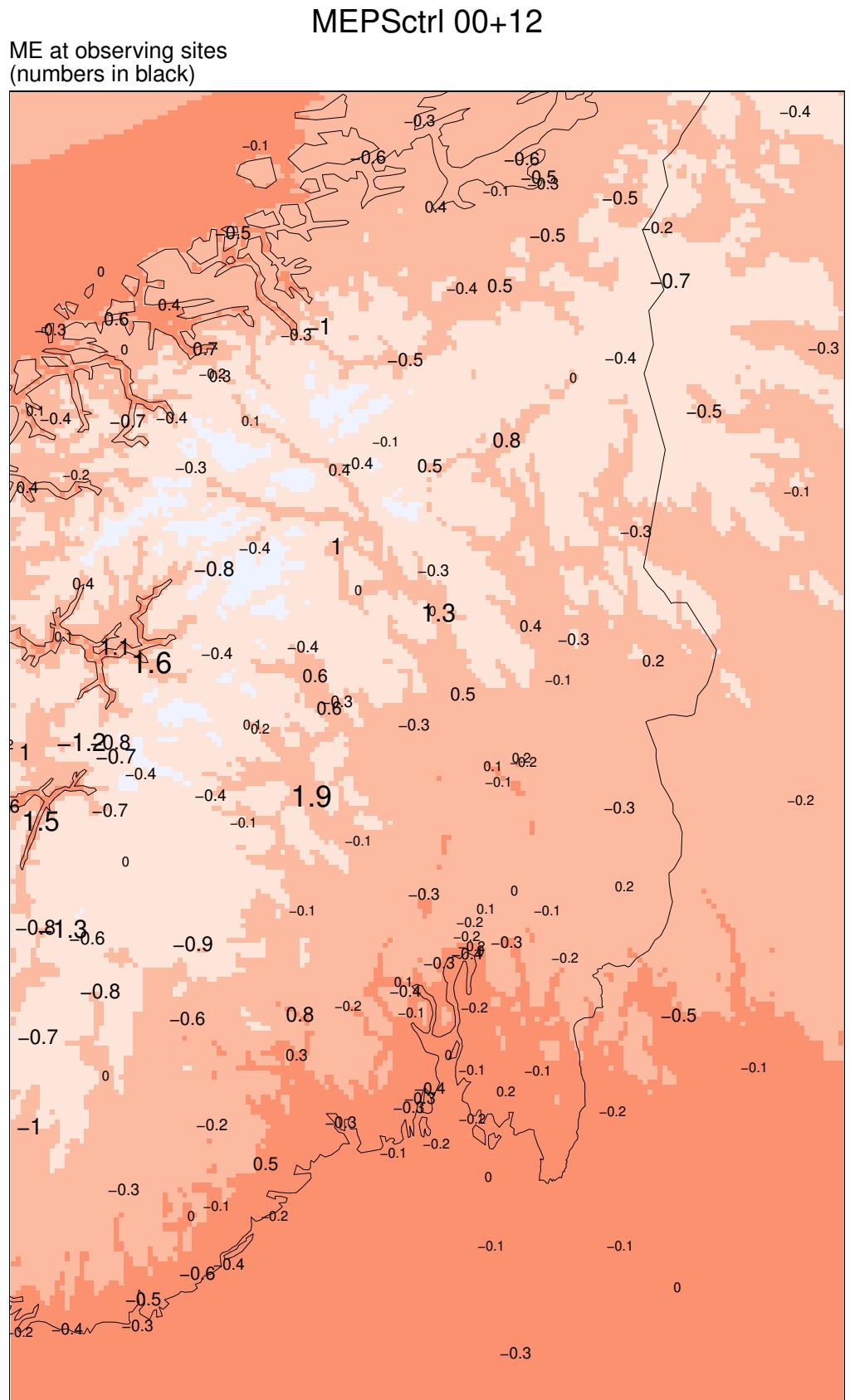


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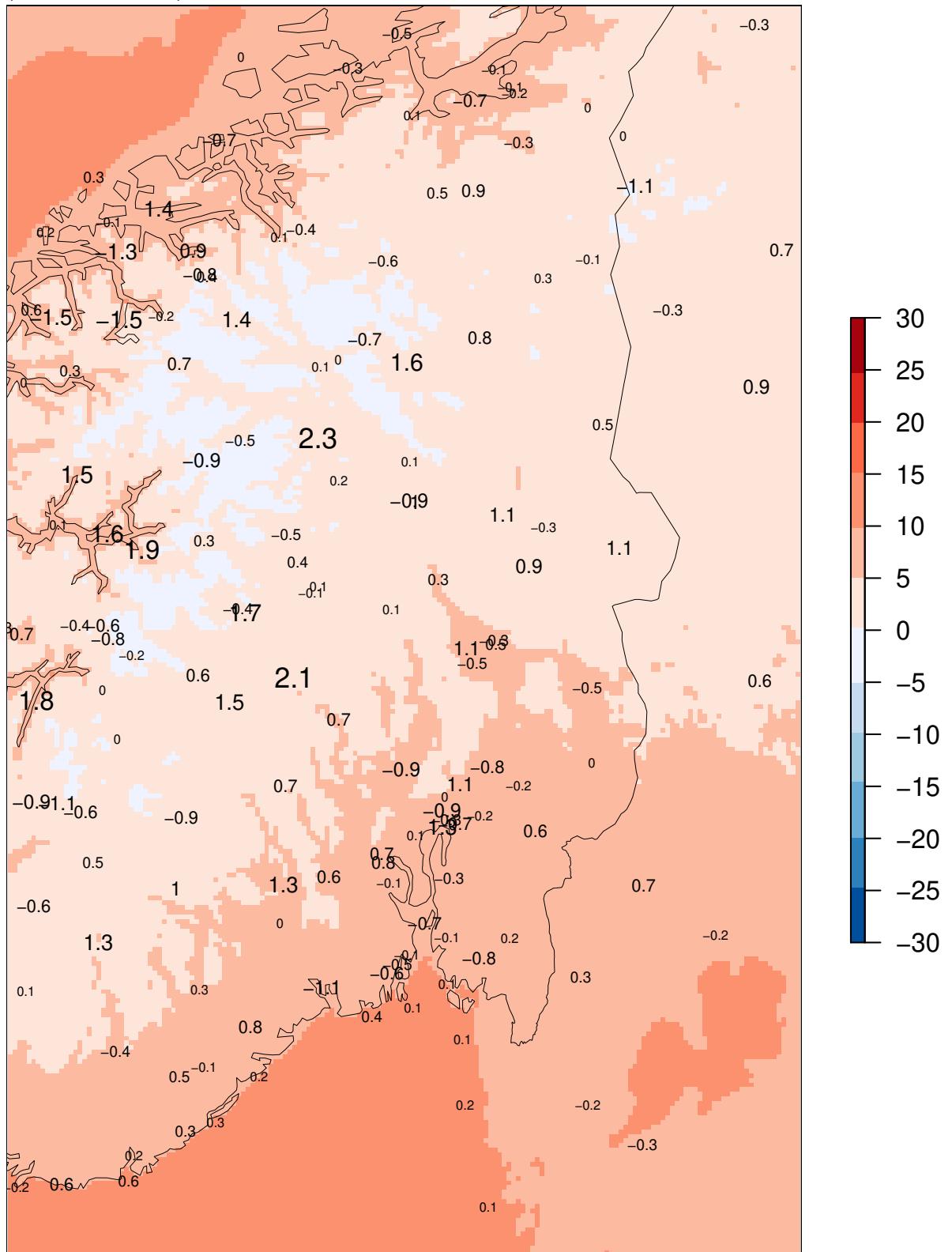
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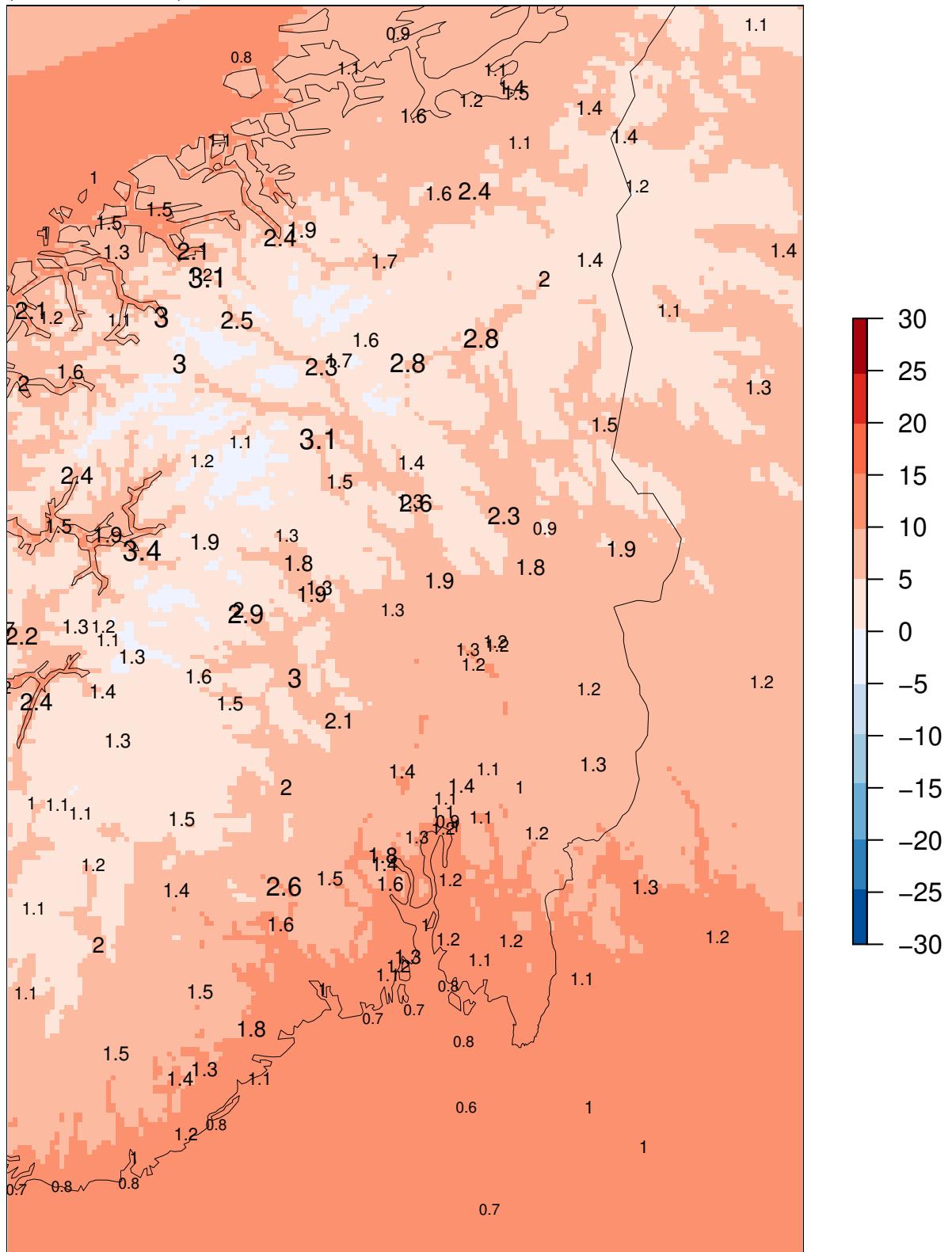
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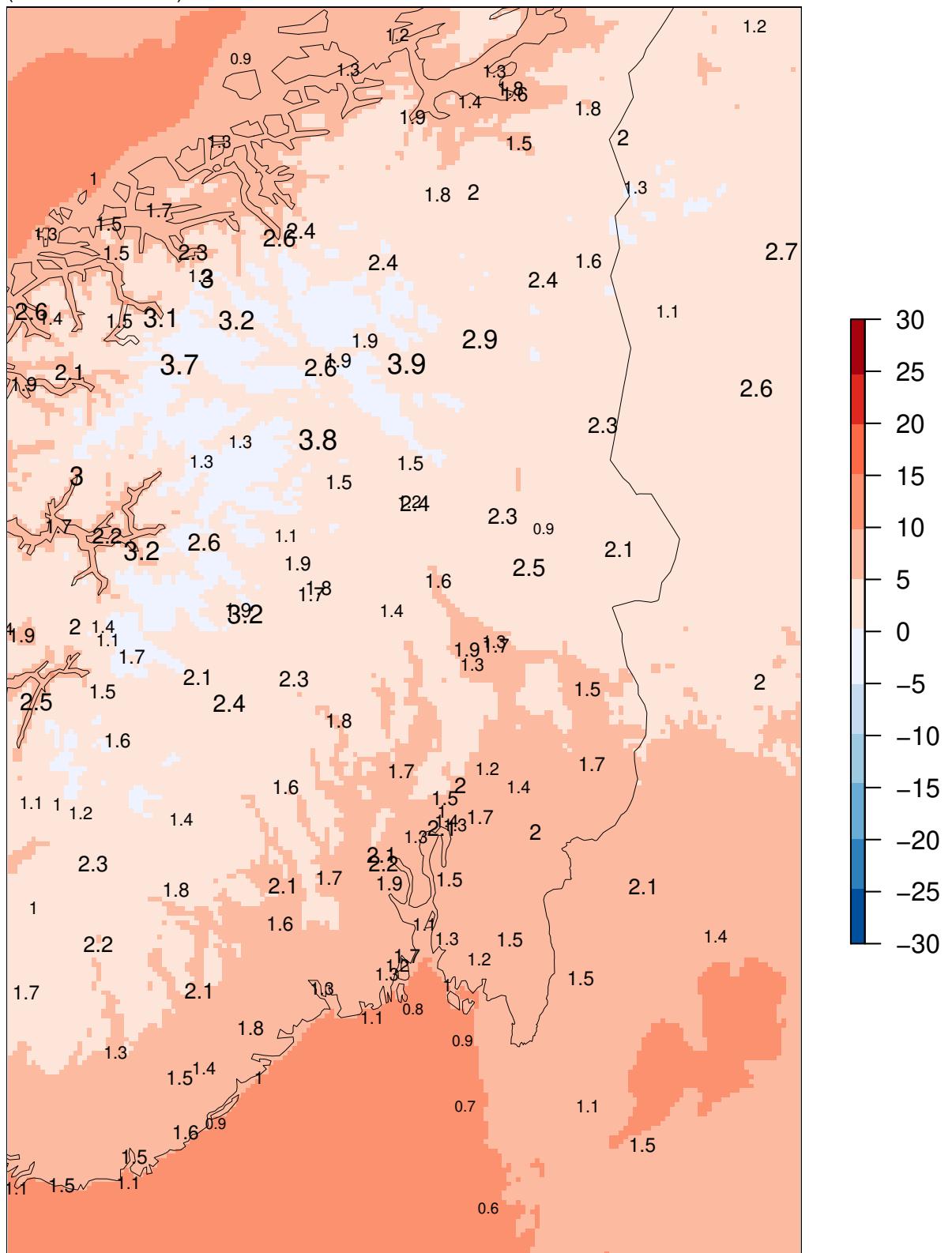
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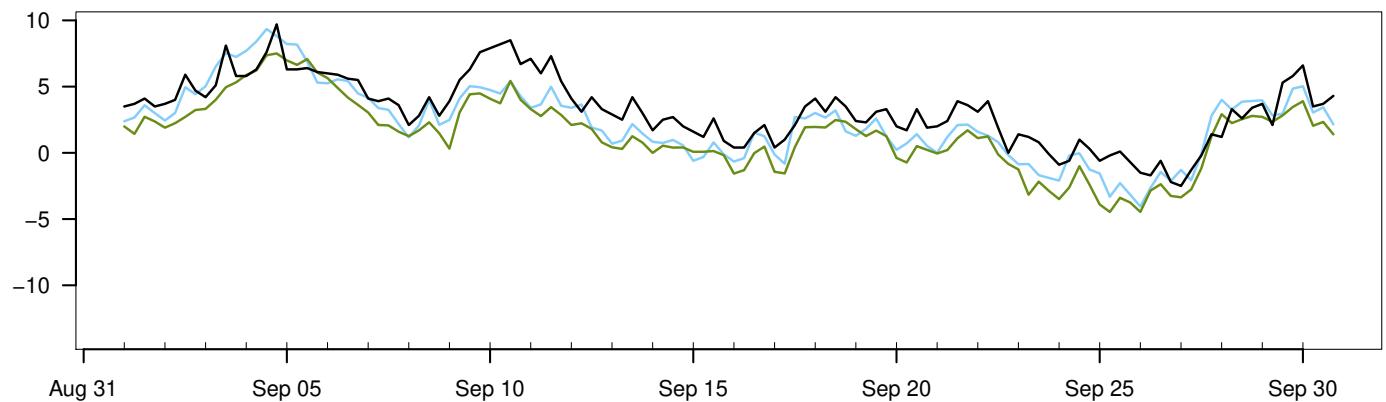
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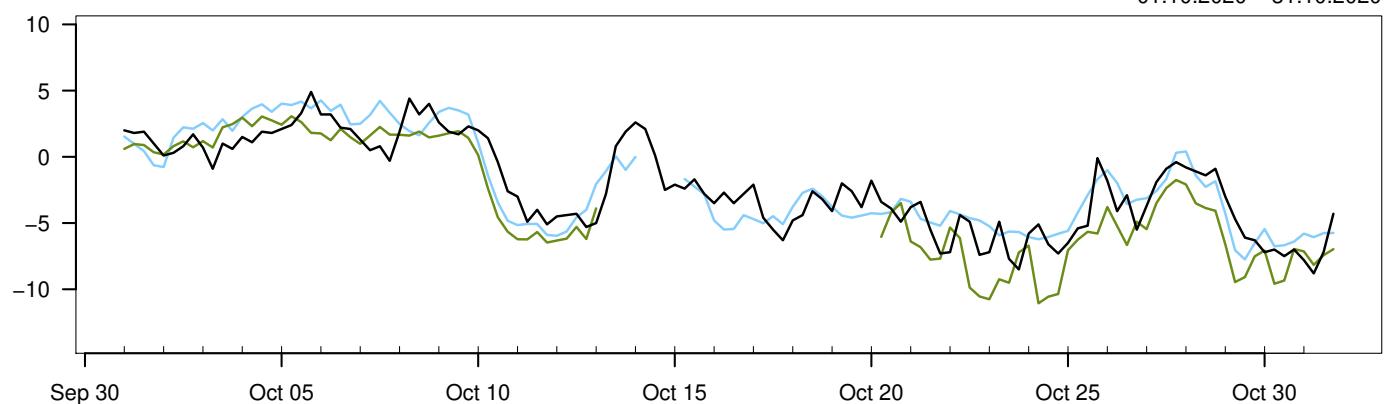
Temperature 2m

## SVALBARD LUFTHAVN

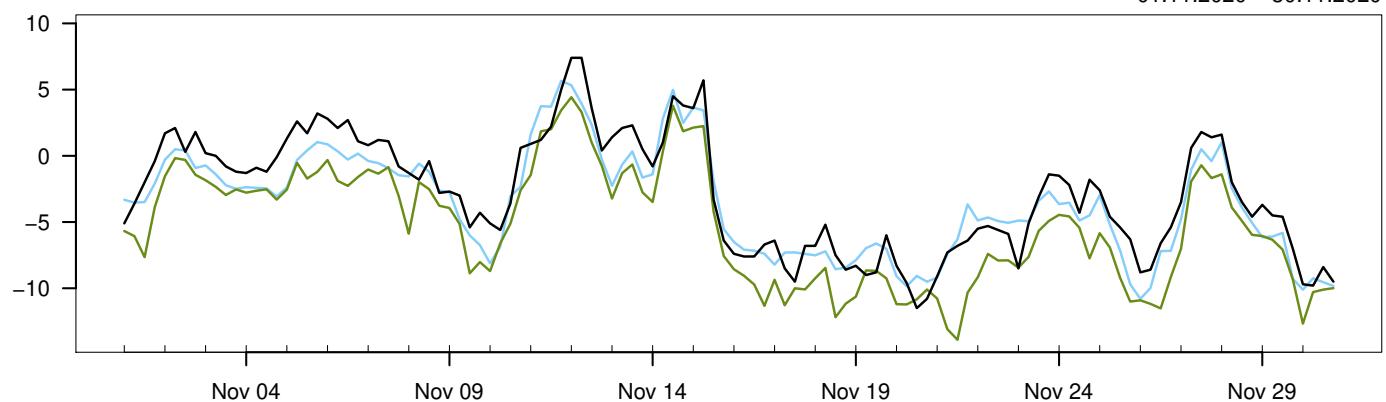
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01.10.2020 – 31.10.2020



01.11.2020 – 30.11.2020



01.09.2020 – 30.11.2020

	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N
synop: 00,06,12,18	-11.5	-0.6	9.7	4.4	364
AA25: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-10.8	-1.1	9.3	4.2	360
ECMWF: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-13.9	-2.3	7.5	4.8	336

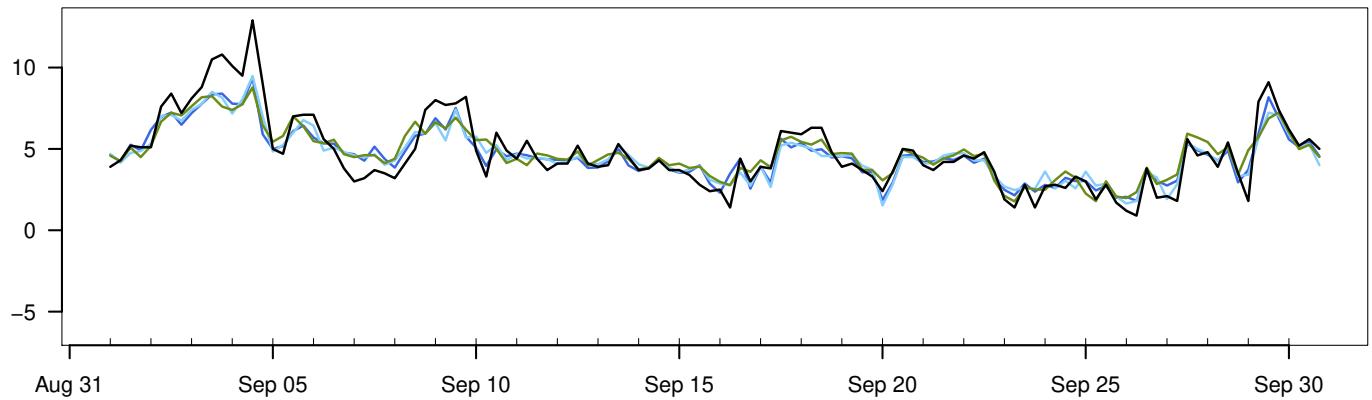
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AA25 – synop	-0.5	1.5	1.6	1.4	3.7	360
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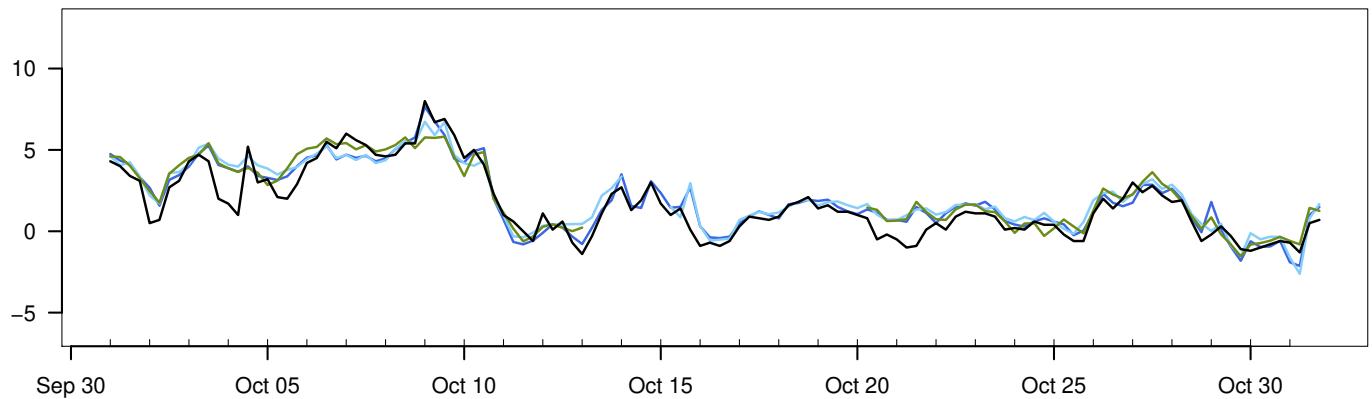
Temperature 2m

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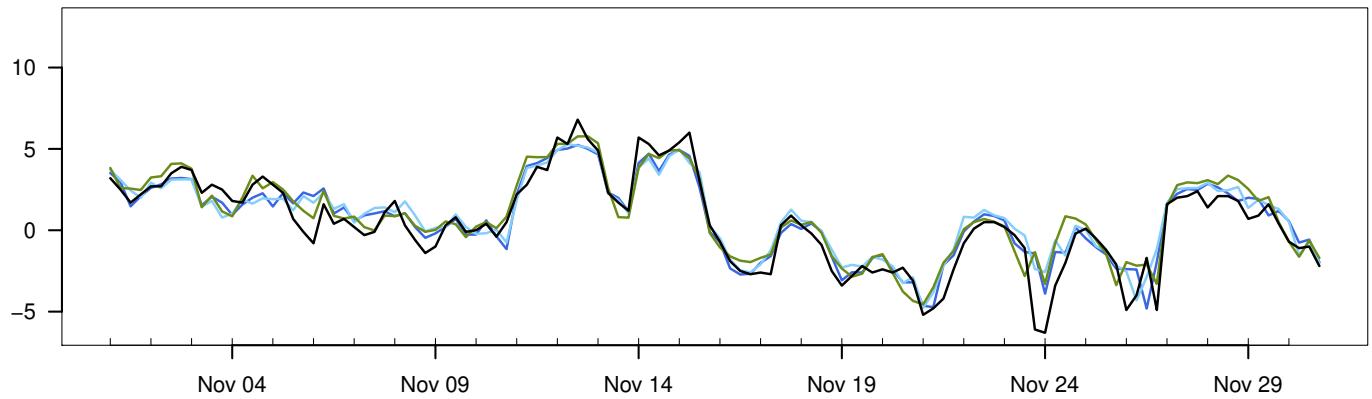
01.09.2020 – 30.09.2020



01.10.2020 – 31.10.2020



01.11.2020 – 30.11.2020



01.09.2020 – 30.11.2020

	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N
synop: 00,06,12,18	-6.3	2.3	12.9	3	364
MEPSctrl: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-4.8	2.4	9.4	2.6	364
AA25: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-4.8	2.5	9.5	2.5	360
ECMWF: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-4.6	2.7	8.8	2.6	336

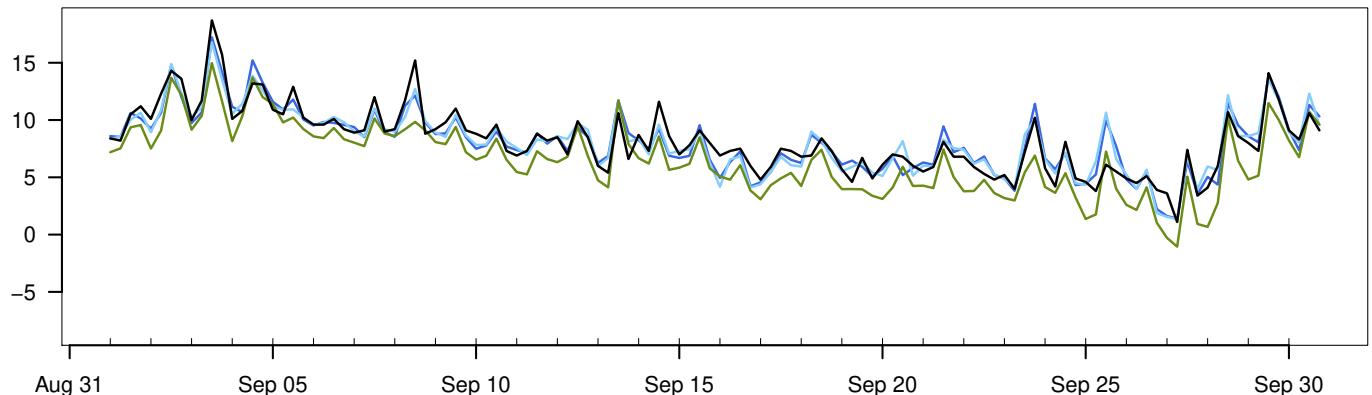
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MEPSctrl – synop	0.1	0.9	0.9	0.7	4.7	364
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ECMWF – synop	0.2	1	1	0.8	4.8	336

Sep to Nov 2020

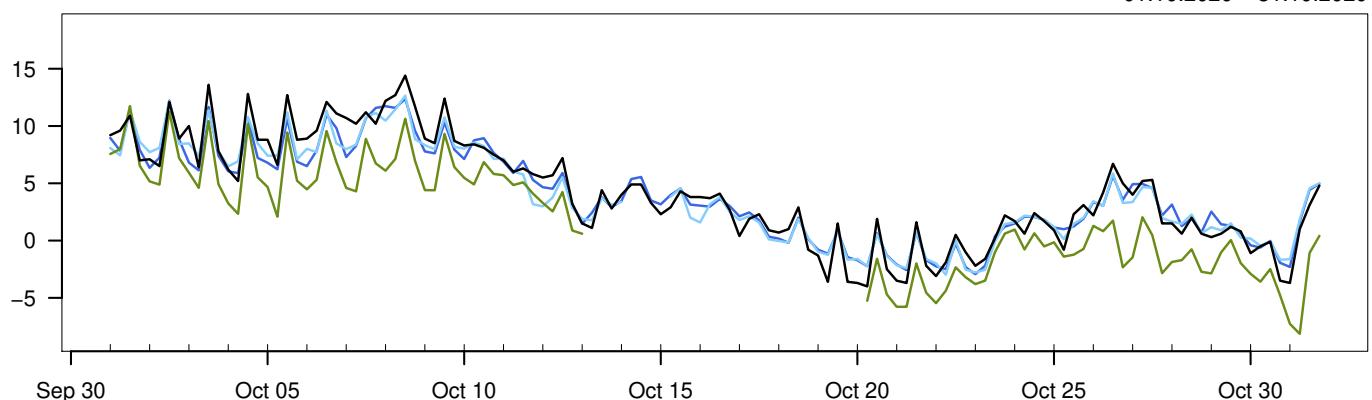
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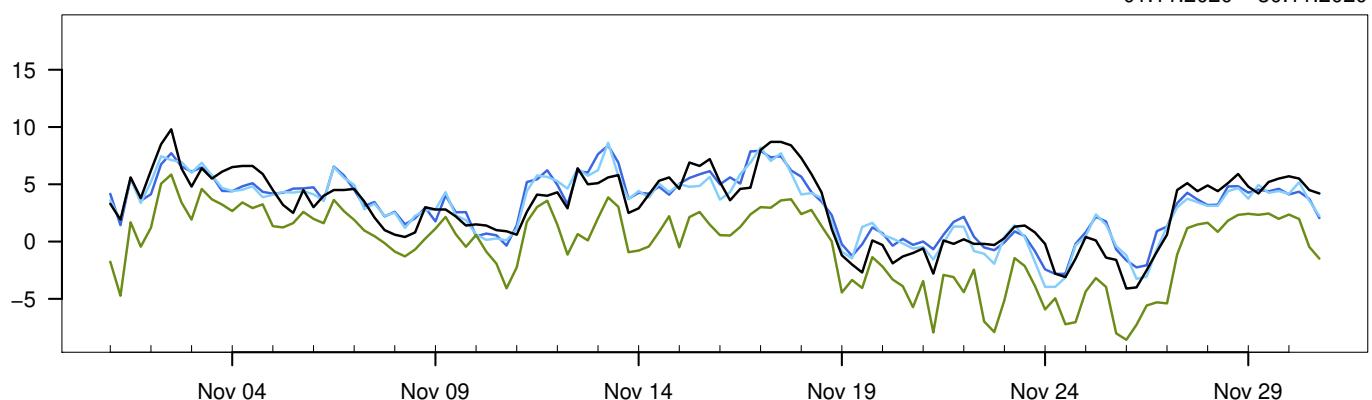
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01.10.2020 – 31.10.2020



01.11.2020 – 30.11.2020



01.09.2020 – 30.11.2020

	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N
synop: 00,06,12,18	-4.1	5.1	18.7	4.2	364
MEPSctrl: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-2.9	5.1	17.2	3.9	364
AA25: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-4	5	16.8	4	360
ECMWF: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-8.6	2.8	15	4.7	336

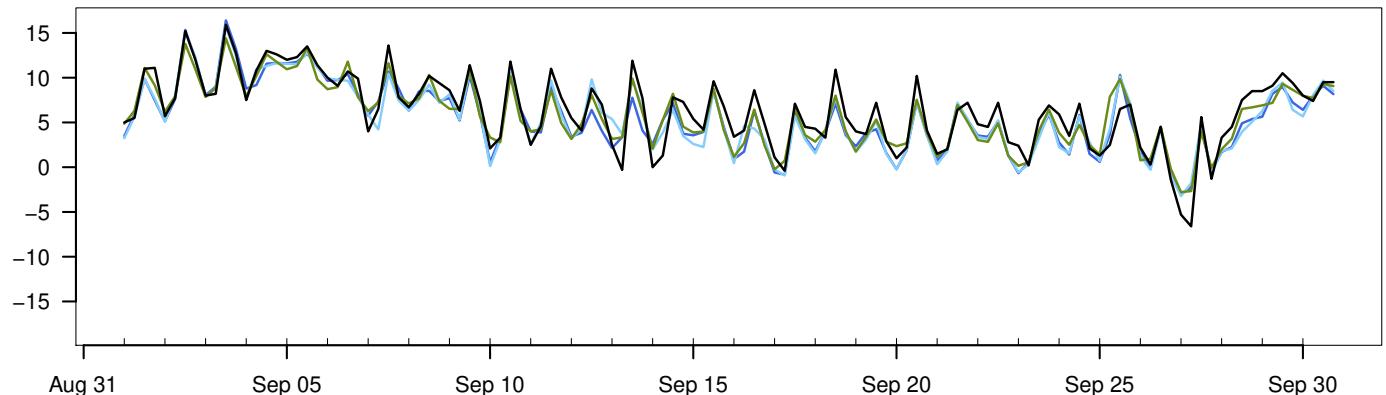
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MEPSctrl – synop	0	1.2	1.2	1	3.9	364
AA25 – synop	-0.1	1.2	1.2	1	4.6	360
ECMWF – synop	-2.6	1.6	3	2.6	9.1	336

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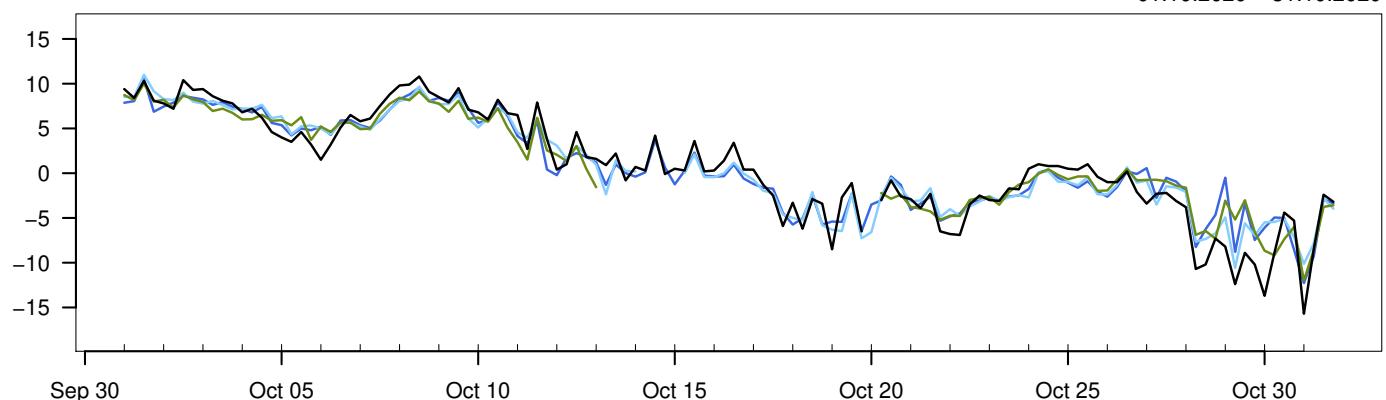
Temperature 2m

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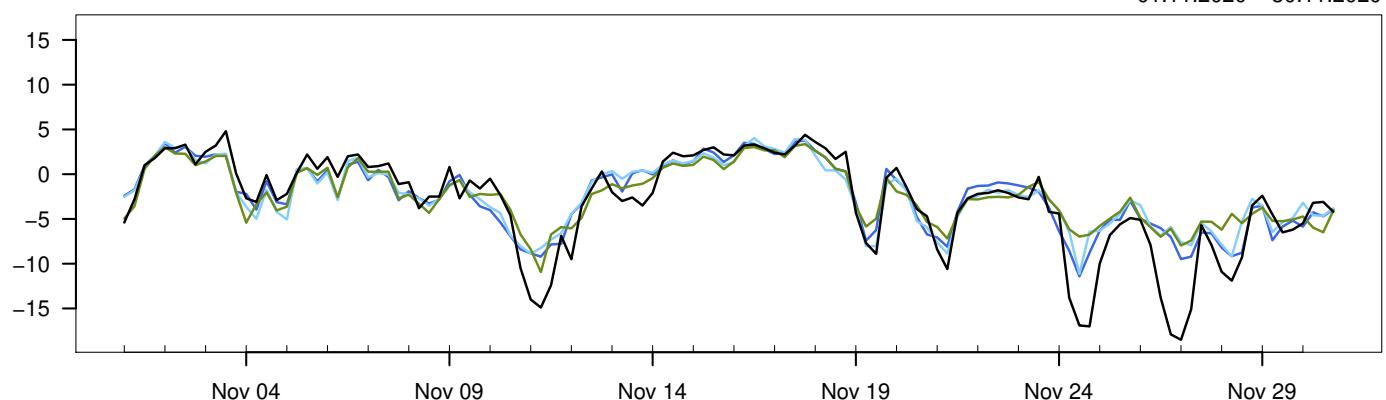
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01.11.2020 – 30.11.2020



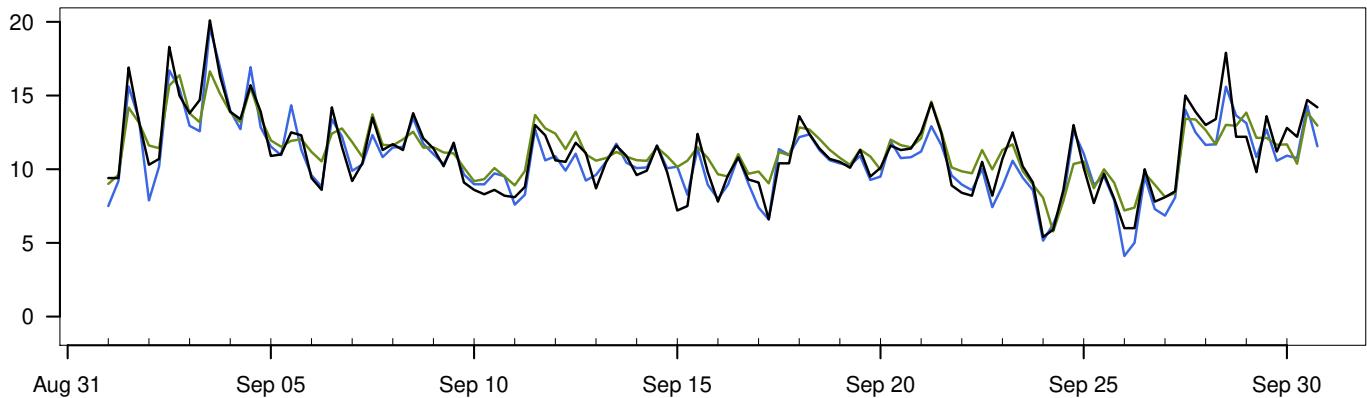
01.09.2020 – 30.11.2020

	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N
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MEPSctrl: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-12.3	1.3	16.4	5.4	364
AA25: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-11.1	1.3	15.8	5.4	360
ECMWF: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-12	1.6	14.4	5.3	336

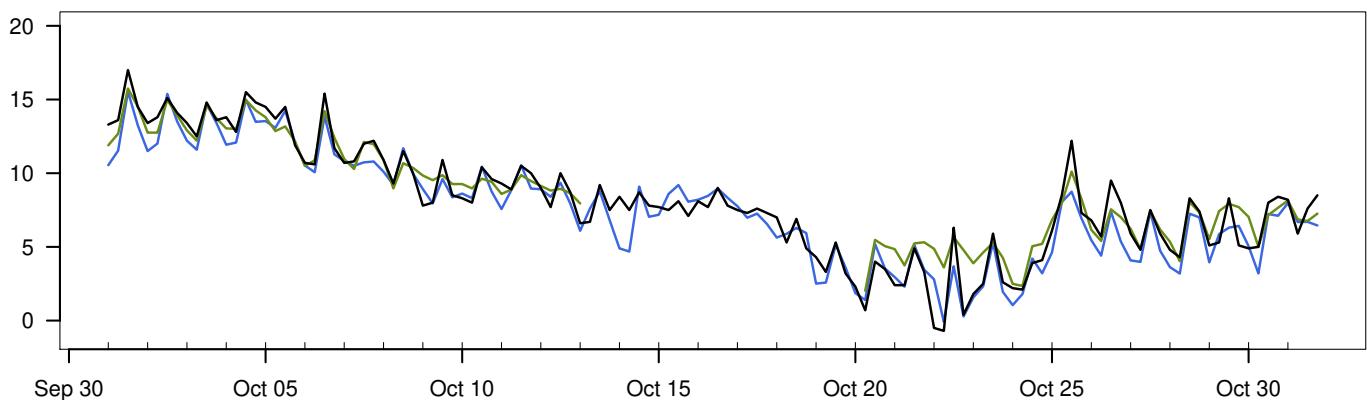
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MEPSctrl – synop	-0.1	2.1	2.1	1.5	10.9	363
AA25 – synop	0	2.2	2.2	1.5	12	359
ECMWF – synop	0.1	2.3	2.3	1.5	11.8	336

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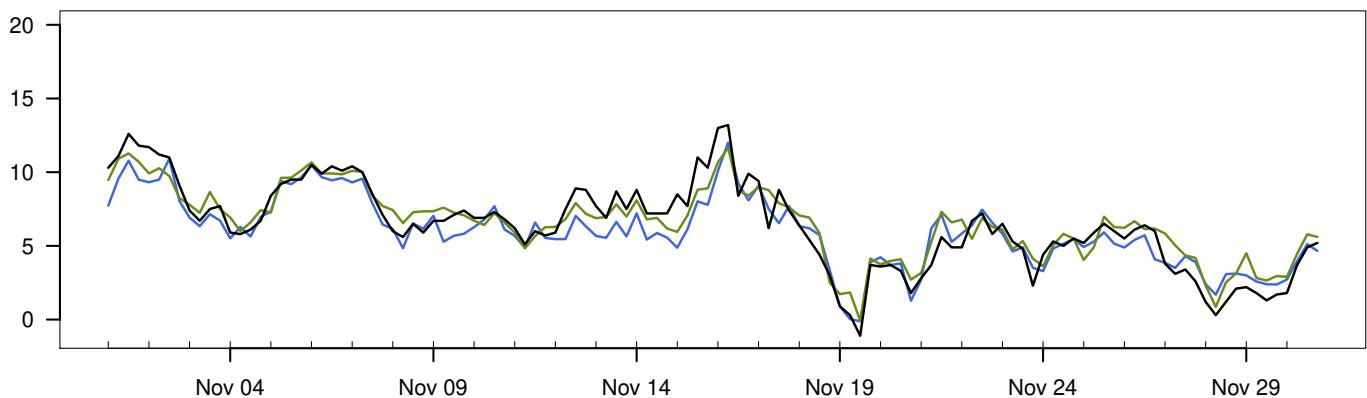
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01.10.2020 – 31.10.2020



01.11.2020 – 30.11.2020



01.09.2020 – 30.11.2020

	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N
synop: 00,06,12,18	-1.1	8.5	20.1	3.7	364
MEPSctrl: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-0.1	8.1	19.6	3.5	364
ECMWF: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-0.1	8.9	16.6	3.2	336

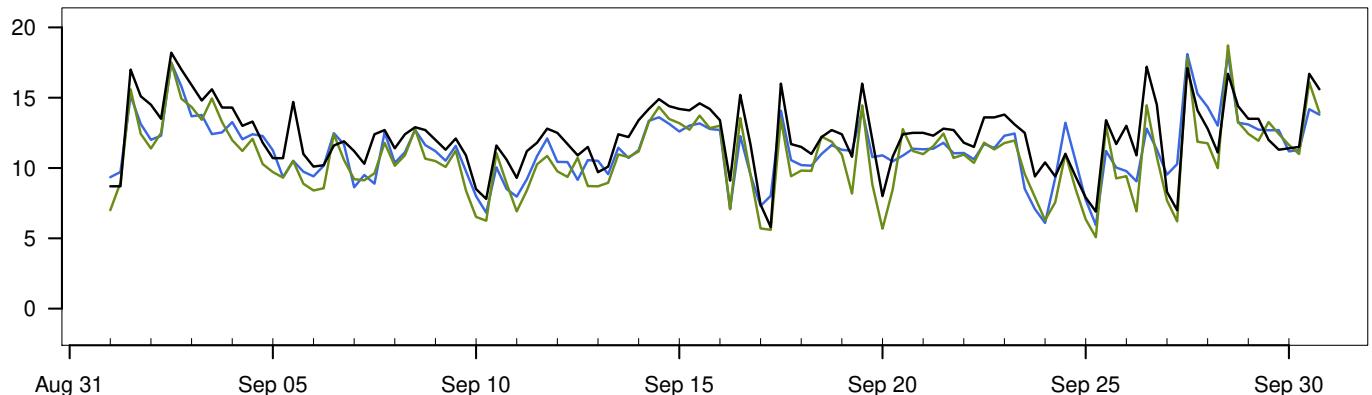
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ECMWF – synop	0.2	1.2	1.2	0.9	5.4	336

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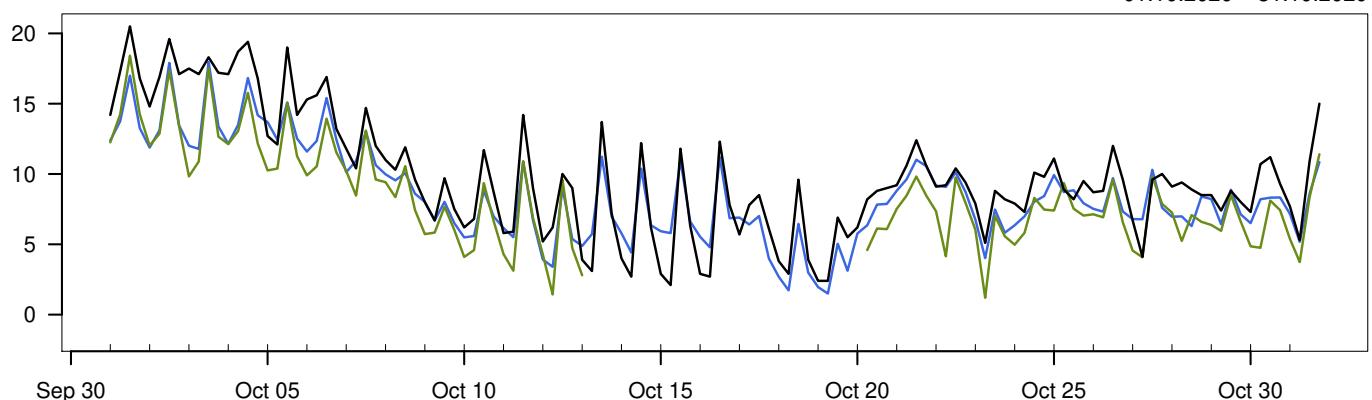
Temperature 2m

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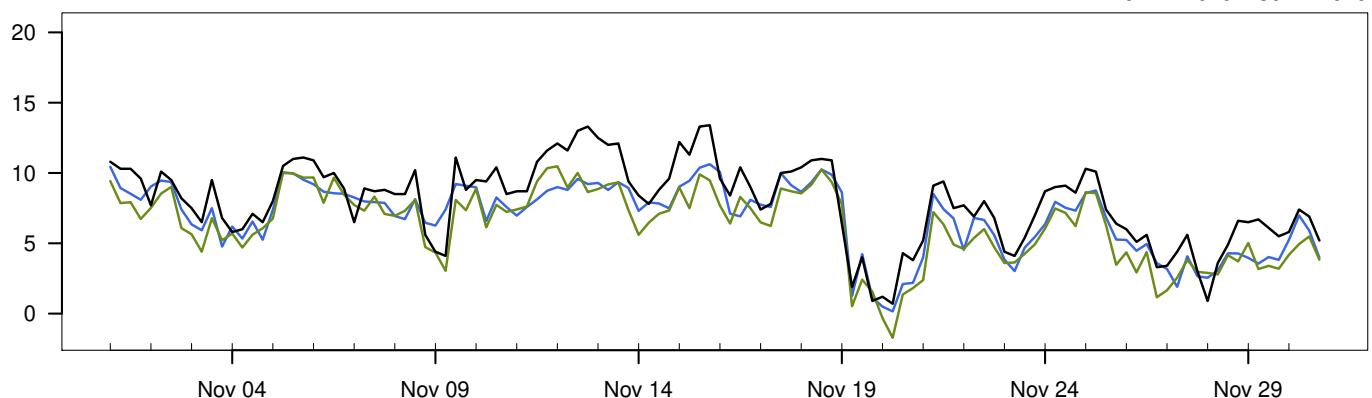
01.09.2020 – 30.09.2020



01.10.2020 – 31.10.2020



01.11.2020 – 30.11.2020



01.09.2020 – 30.11.2020

	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N
synop: 00,06,12,18	0.7	10	20.5	3.7	364
MEPSctrl: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	0.2	8.9	18.1	3.3	364
ECMWF: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-1.7	8.5	18.7	3.5	336

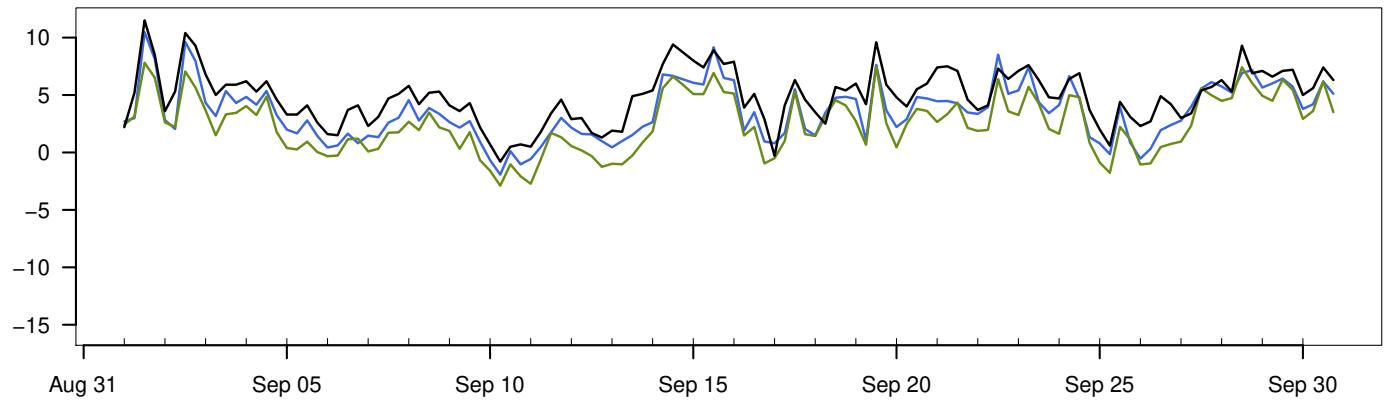
	ME	SDE	RMSE	MAE	Max.abs.err.	N
MEPSctrl – synop	-1.1	1.4	1.8	1.5	5.5	364
ECMWF – synop	-1.8	1.2	2.2	1.9	7.7	336

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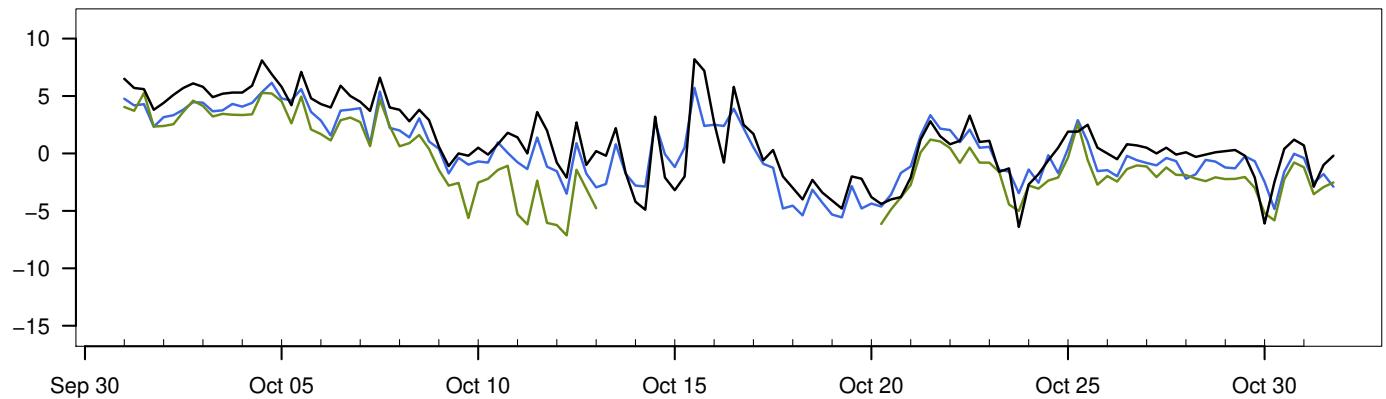
Temperature 2m

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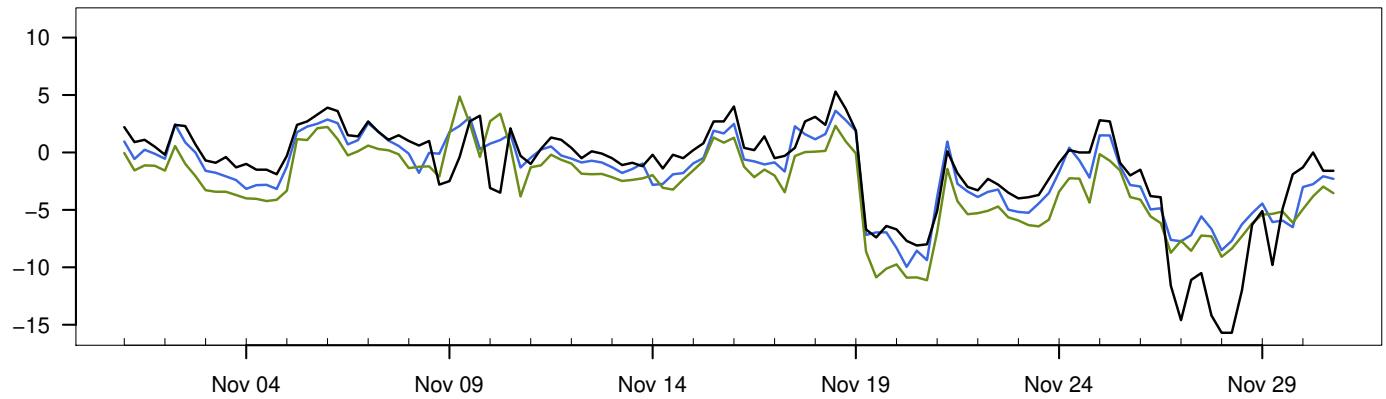
01.09.2020 – 30.09.2020



01.10.2020 – 31.10.2020



01.11.2020 – 30.11.2020



01.09.2020 – 30.11.2020

	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N
synop: 00,06,12,18	-15.7	1.5	11.5	4.3	364
MEPSctrl: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-10	0.7	10.5	3.6	364
ECMWF: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-11.1	-0.3	7.8	3.8	336

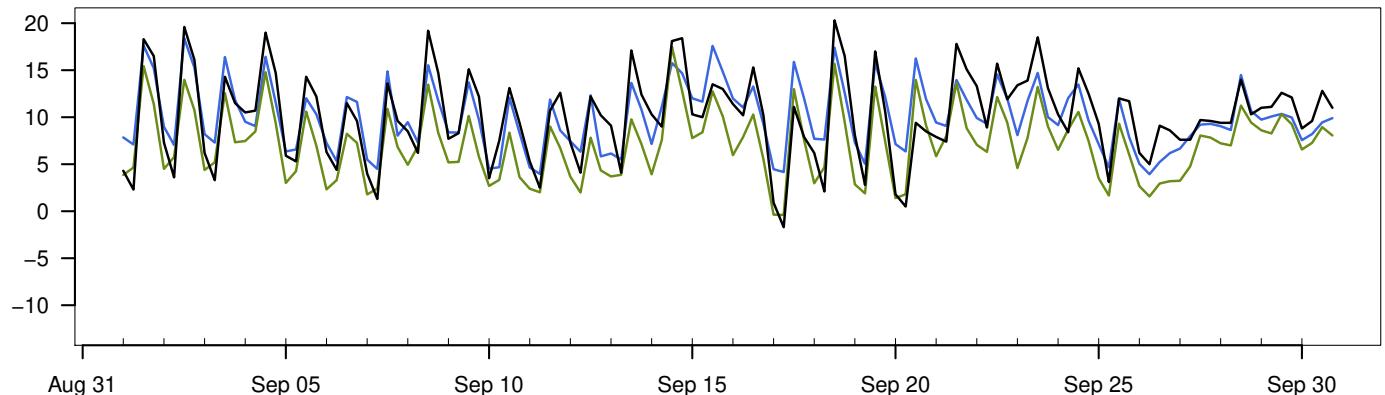
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ECMWF – synop	-2	1.9	2.7	2.4	8	336

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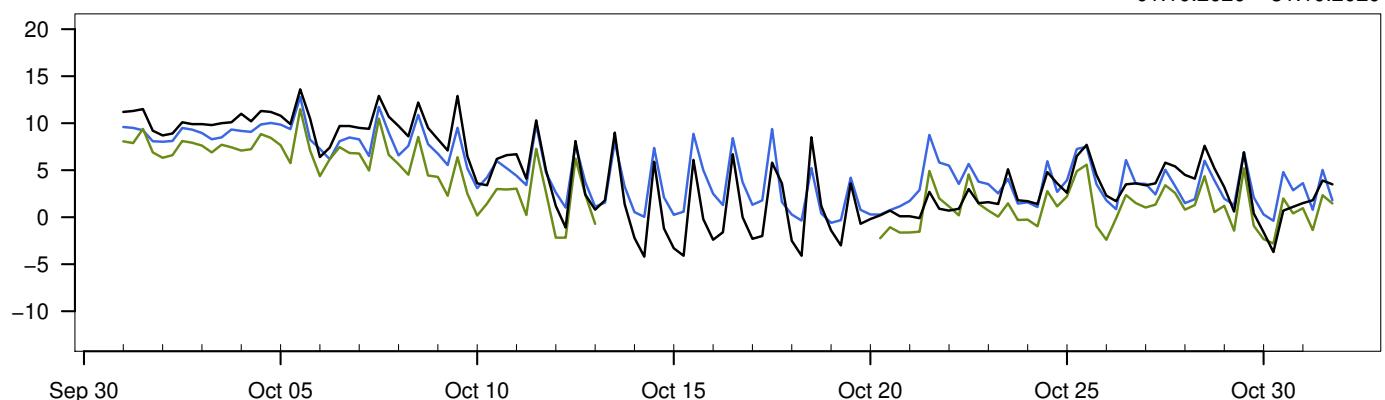
Temperature 2m

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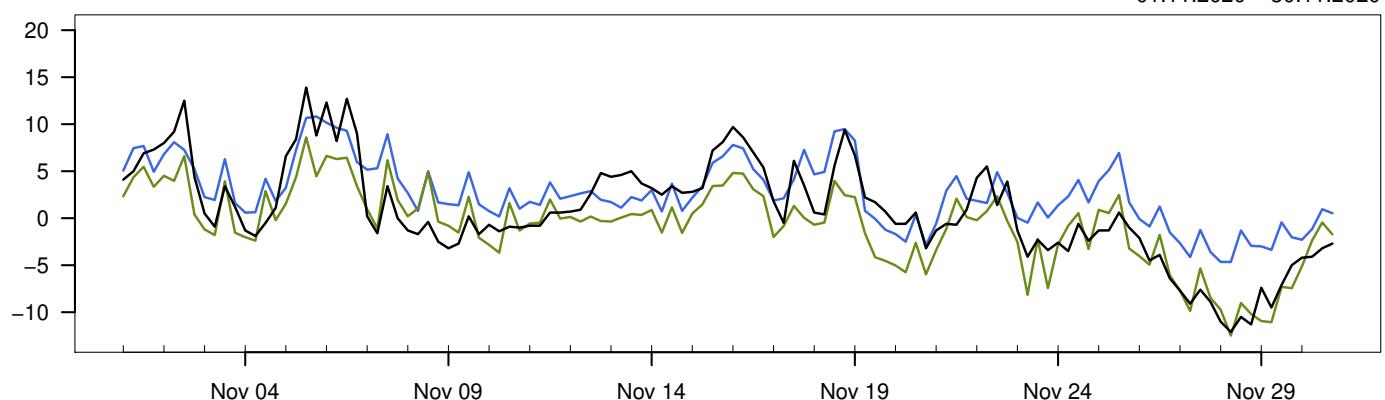
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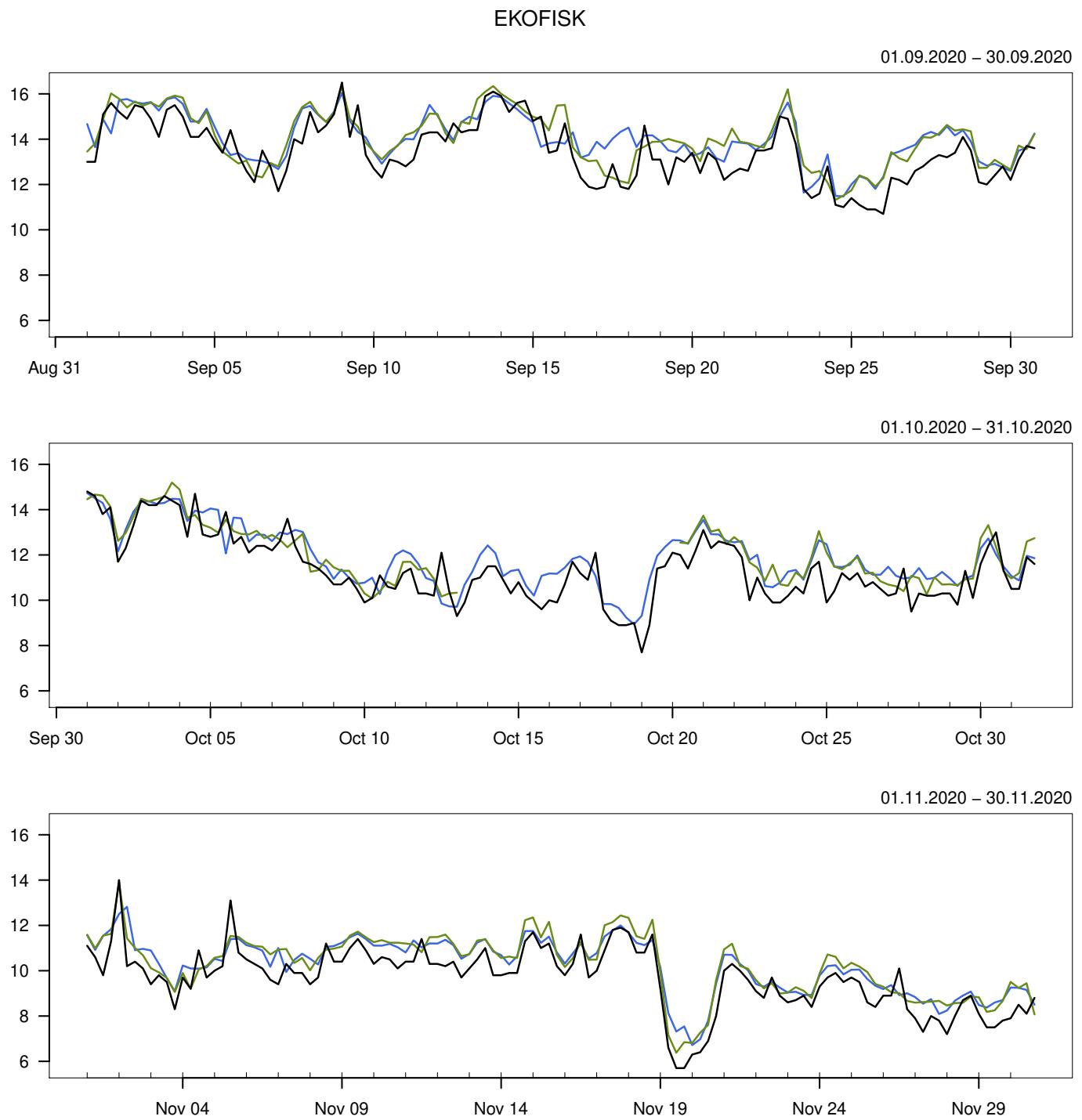


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	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N
synop: 00,06,12,18	-12.1	5.1	20.3	6.2	364
MEPSctrl: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-4.7	5.8	18.4	4.6	364
ECMWF: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-12.5	3.2	17.5	5.1	336

	ME	SDE	RMSE	MAE	Max.abs.err.	N
MEPSctrl – synop	0.7	2.7	2.8	2.3	9.2	364
ECMWF – synop	-2.3	2.4	3.3	2.8	8.8	336

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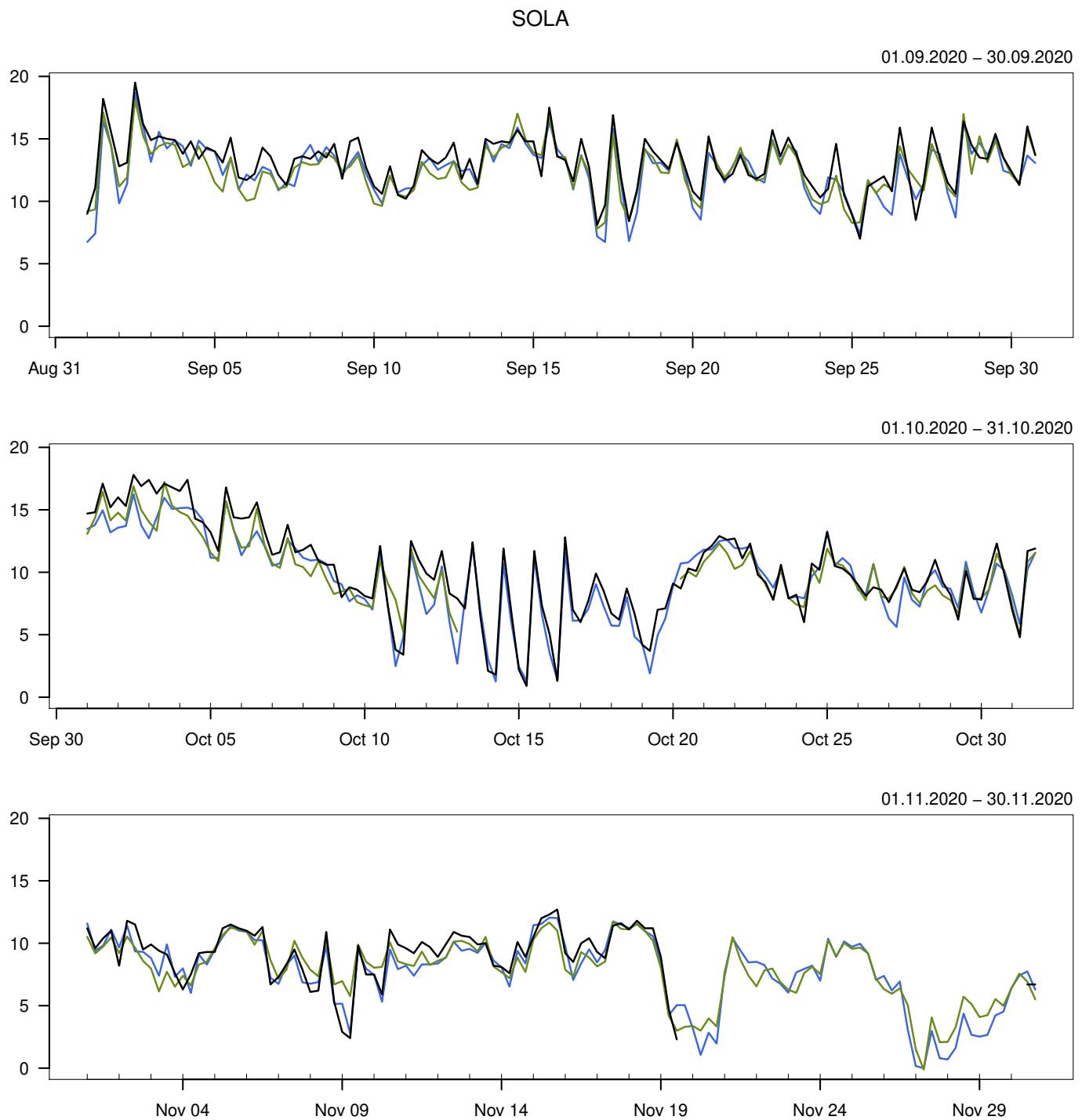
**Temperature 2m**

	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N
— synop: 00,06,12,18	5.7	11.5	16.5	2.1	364
— MEPSctrl: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	6.7	12	16	2	364
— ECMWF: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	6.4	12.1	16.3	2.1	336

	ME	SDE	RMSE	MAE	Max.abs.err.	N
MEPSctrl – synop	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.7	2.7	364
ECMWF – synop	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.7	2.2	336

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Temperature 2m



	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N
— synop: 00,06,12,18	0.9	11	19.5	3.3	321
— MEPSctrl: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	0	9.9	18.7	3.5	364
— ECMWF: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-0.1	10.2	18.1	3.1	336

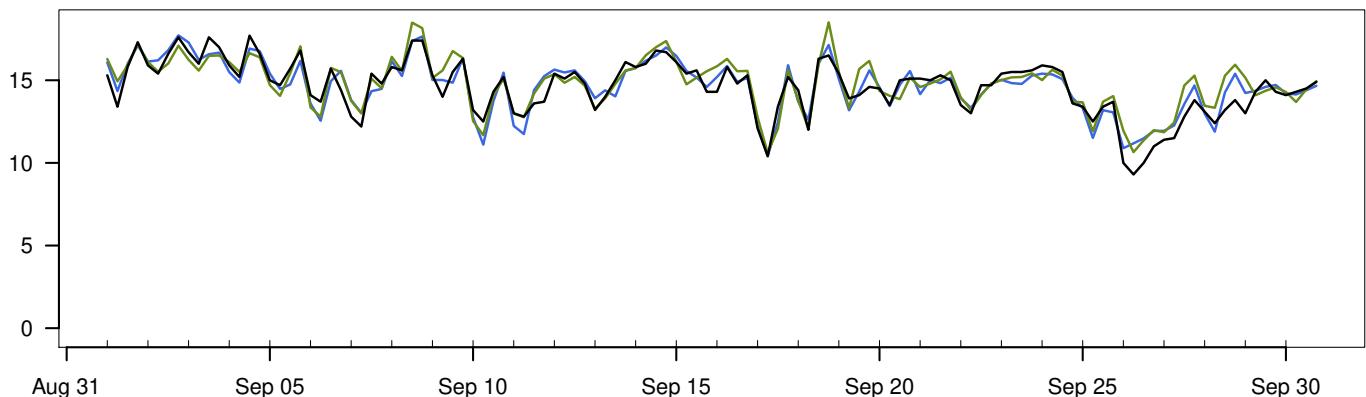
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MEPSctrl – synop	-0.6	1.1	1.2	0.9	5.2	321
ECMWF – synop	-0.6	1	1.2	0.9	4.1	293

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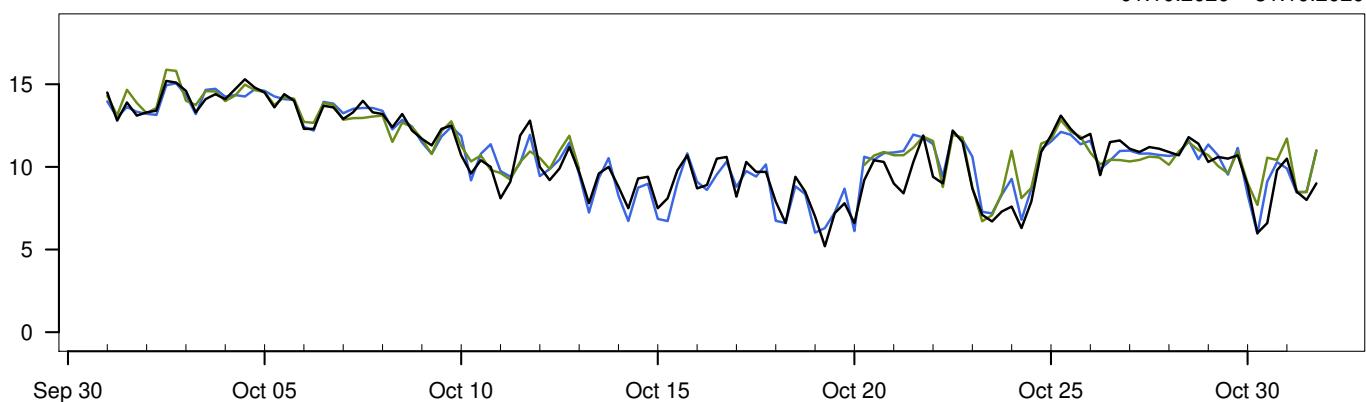
Temperature 2m

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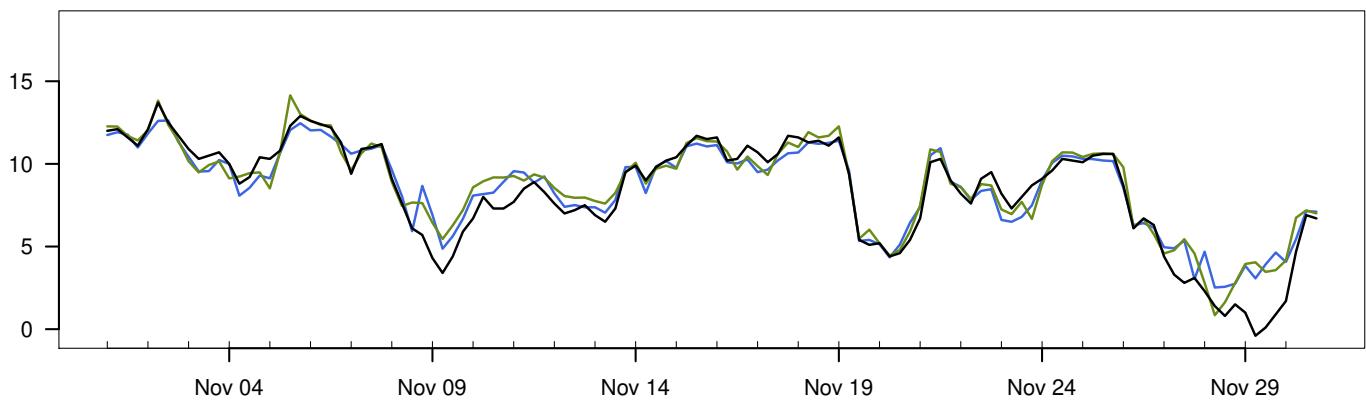
01.09.2020 – 30.09.2020



01.10.2020 – 31.10.2020



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	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N
synop: 00,06,12,18	-0.4	11.2	17.7	3.6	364
MEPSctrl: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	2.5	11.3	17.7	3.3	364
ECMWF: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	0.8	11.7	18.5	3.3	336

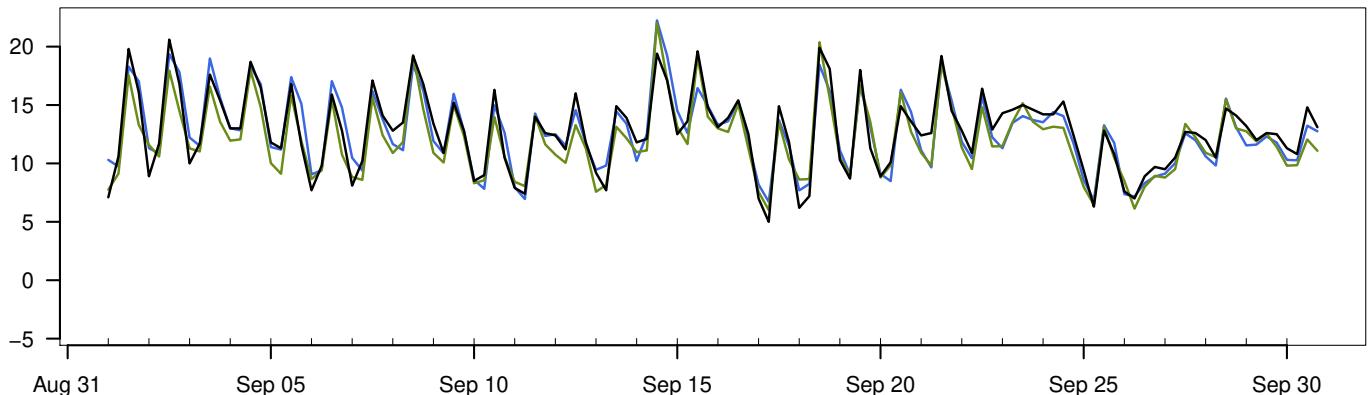
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MEPSctrl – synop	0.1	0.8	0.8	0.6	3.8	364
ECMWF – synop	0.3	0.9	0.9	0.7	4.4	336

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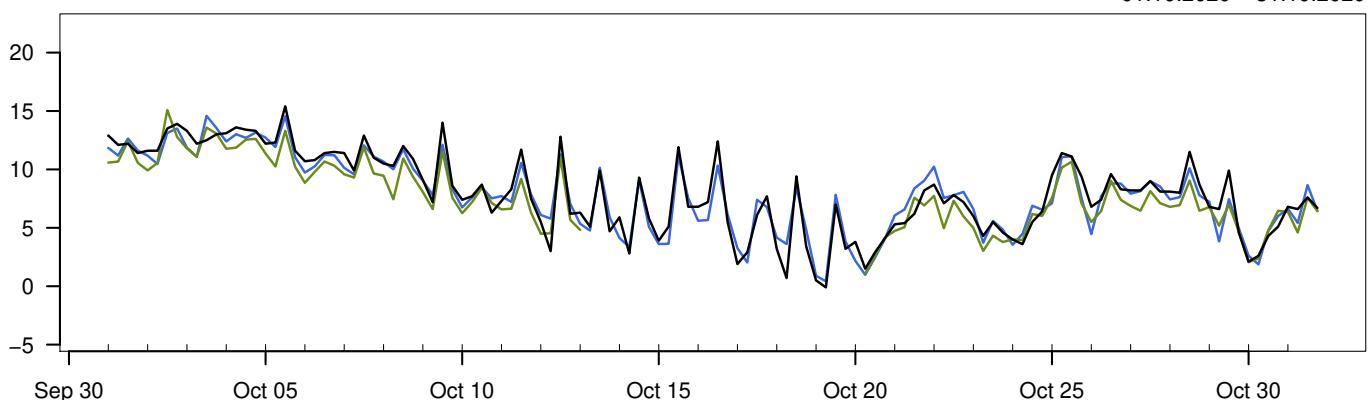
Temperature 2m

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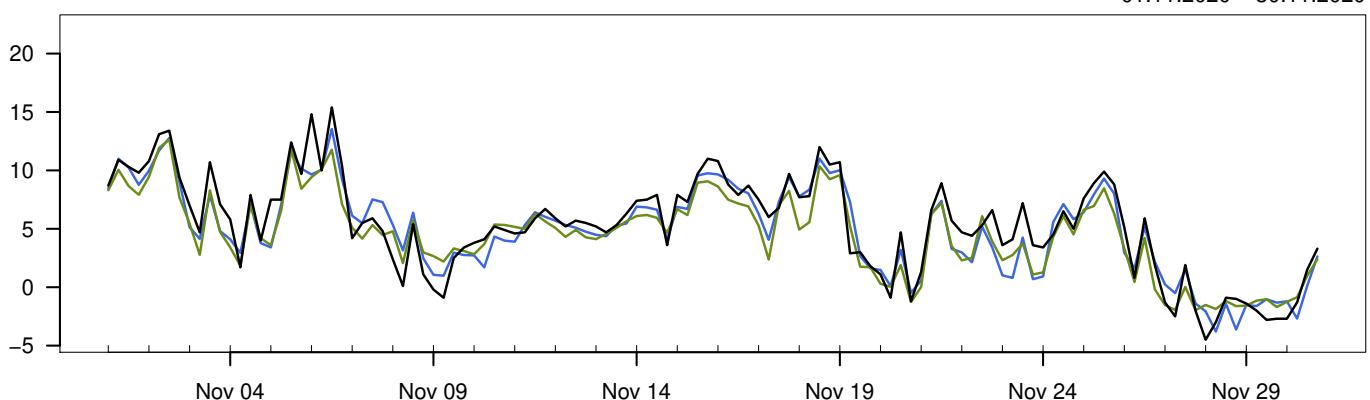
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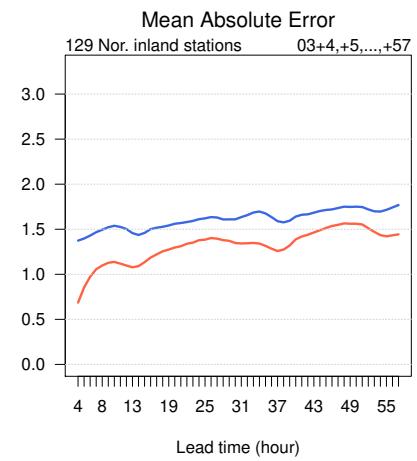
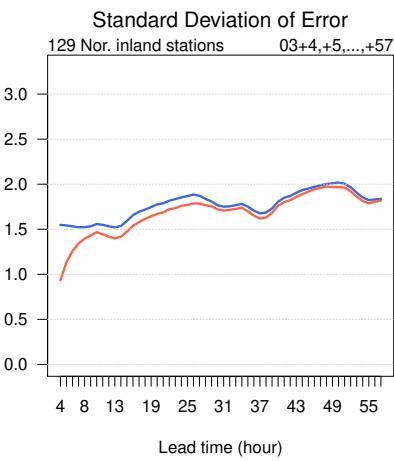
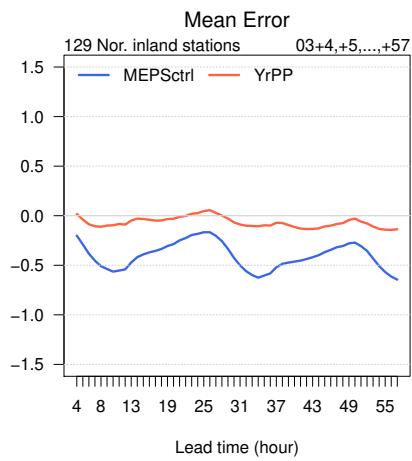
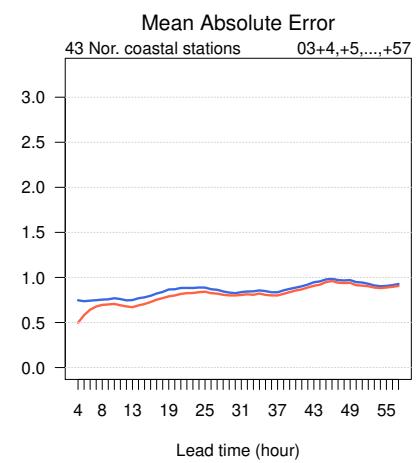
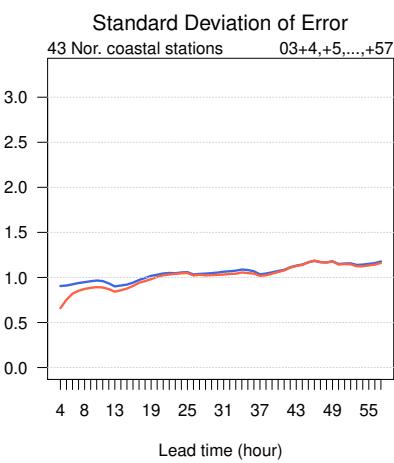
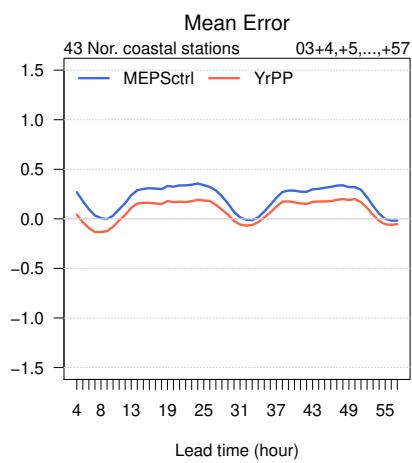
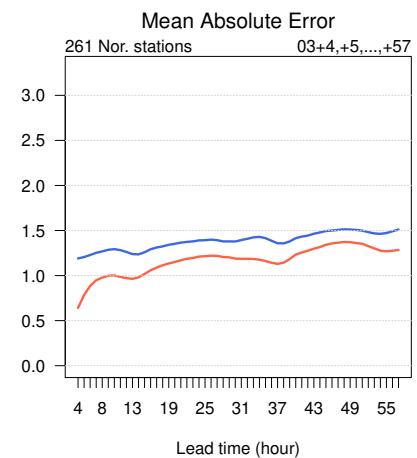
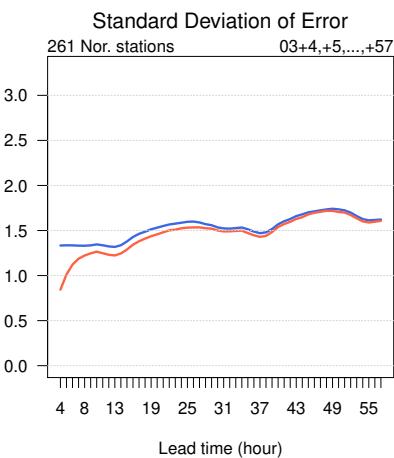
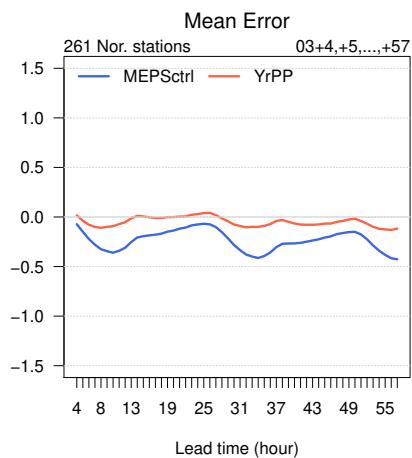
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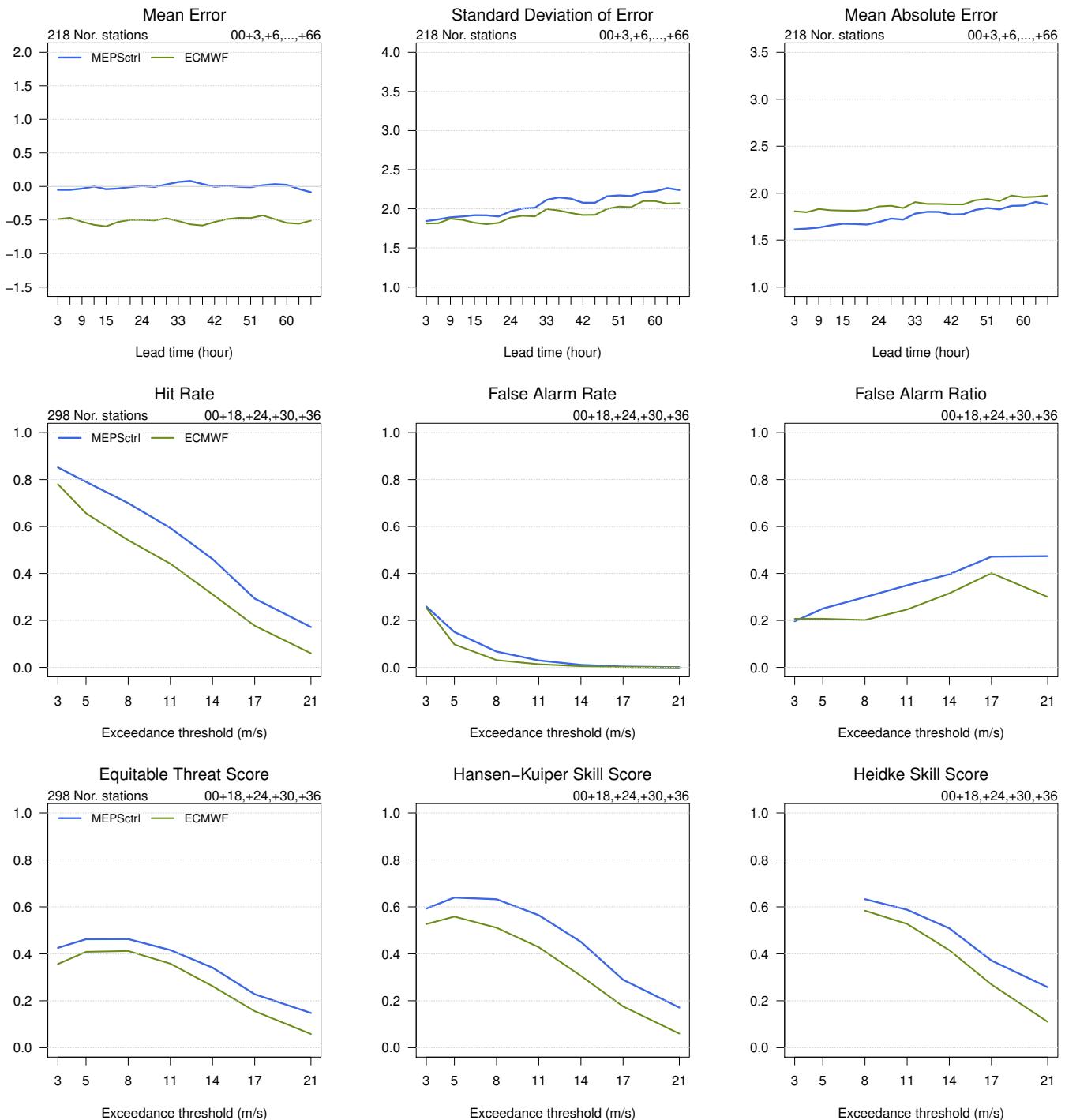


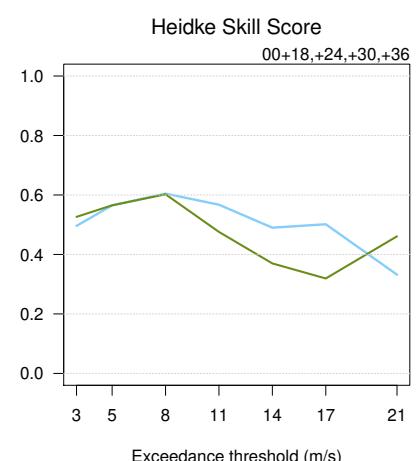
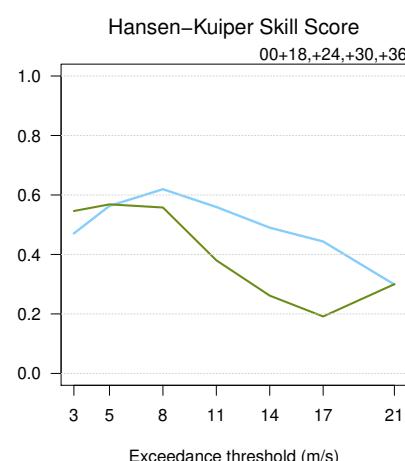
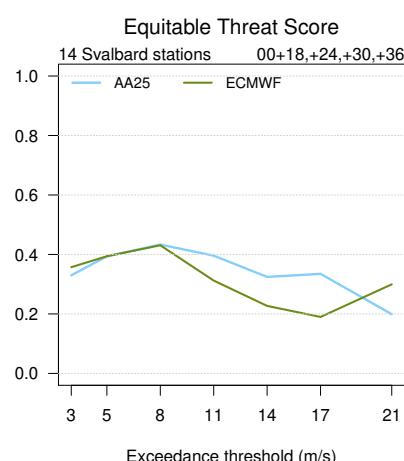
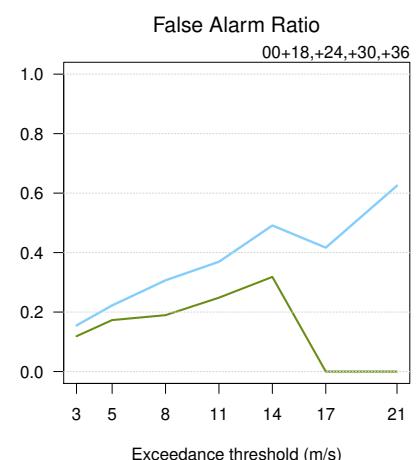
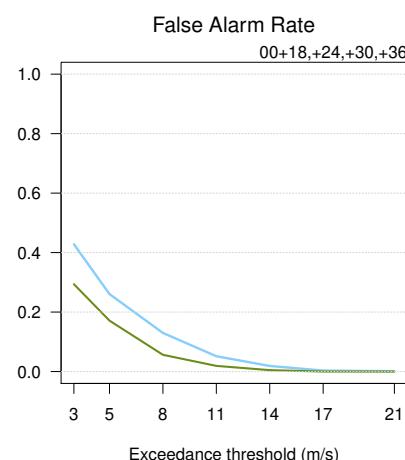
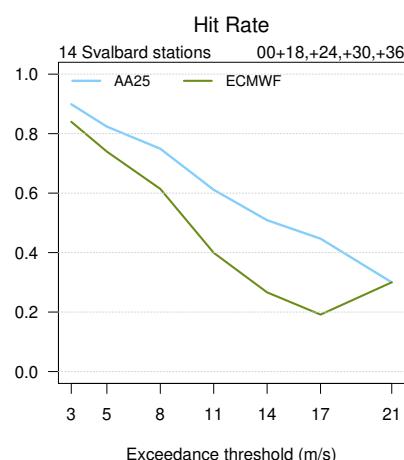
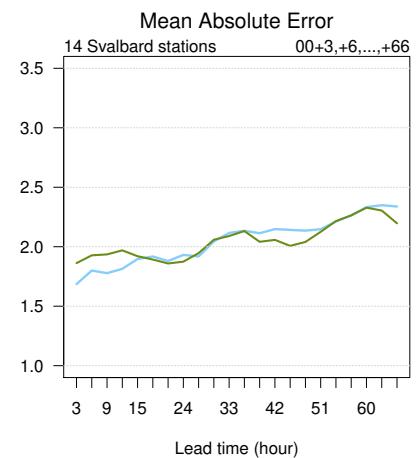
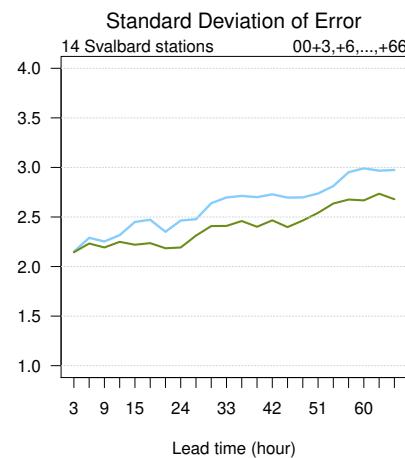
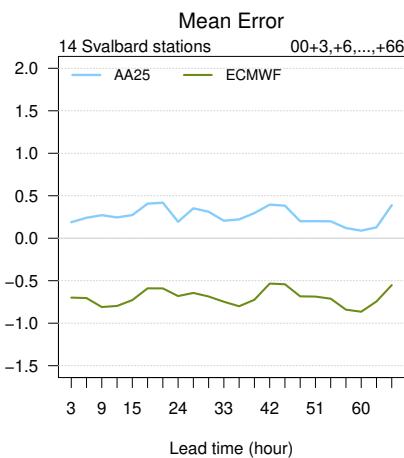
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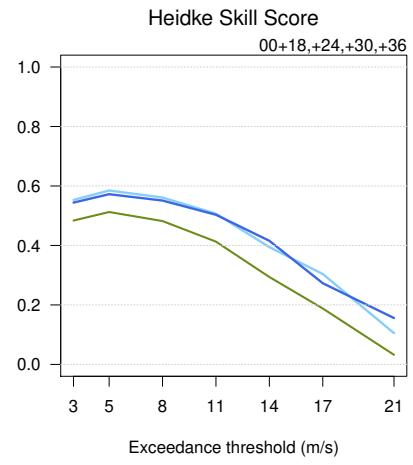
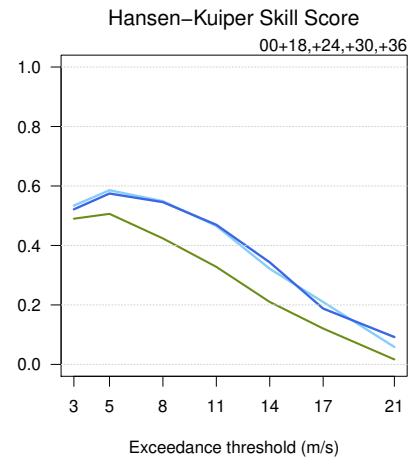
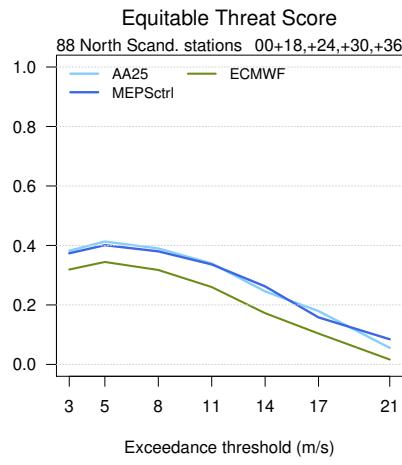
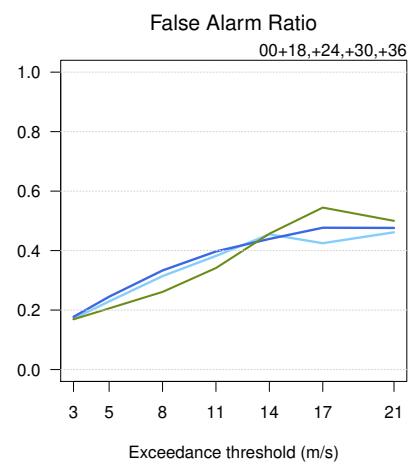
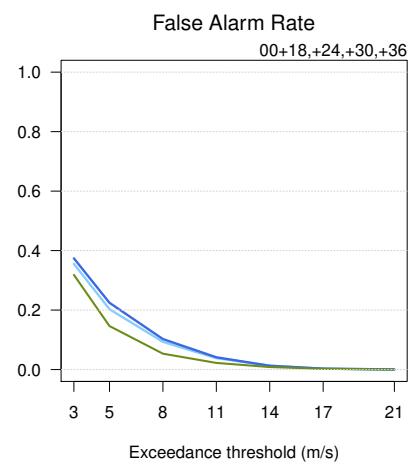
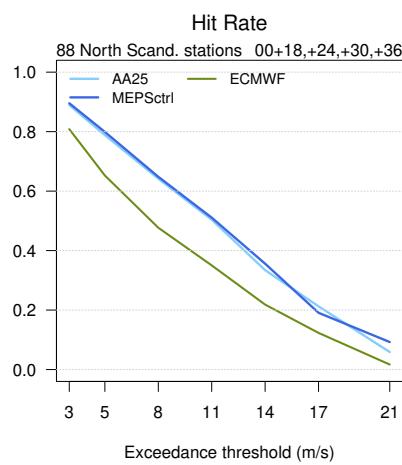
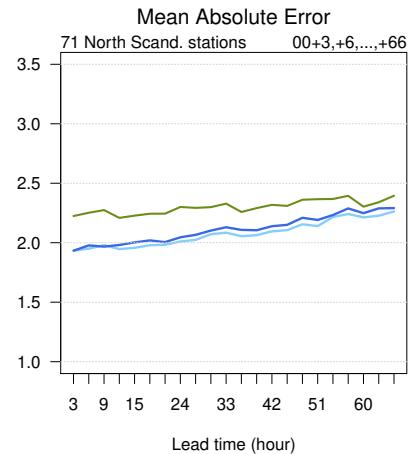
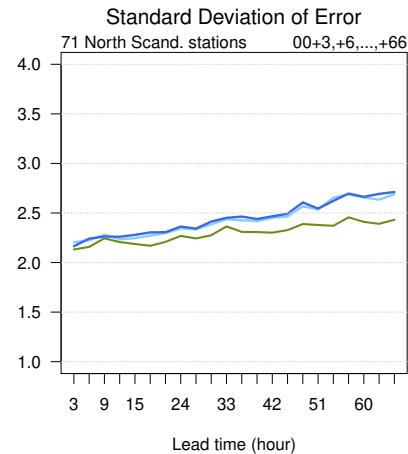
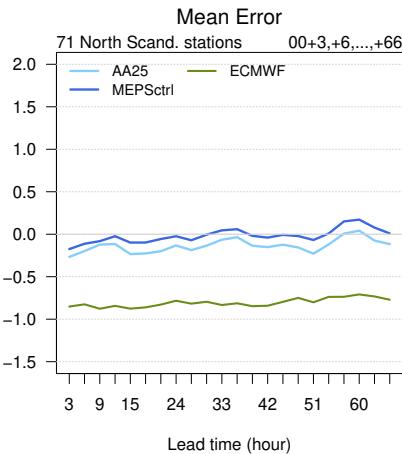
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MEPSctrl: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-3.8	8.5	22.2	4.7	364
ECMWF: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	-2	8.1	22	4.5	336

	ME	SDE	RMSE	MAE	Max.abs.err.	N
MEPSctrl – synop	-0.2	1.3	1.3	1	5.1	364
ECMWF – synop	-0.8	1.2	1.5	1.2	5.4	336

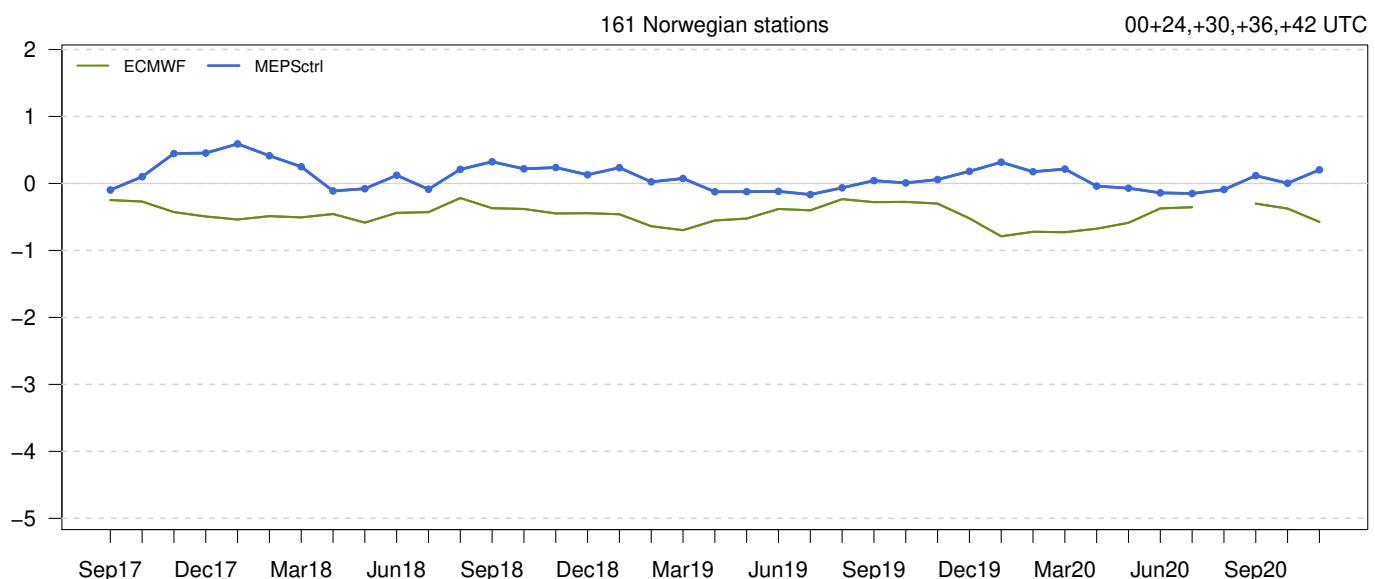




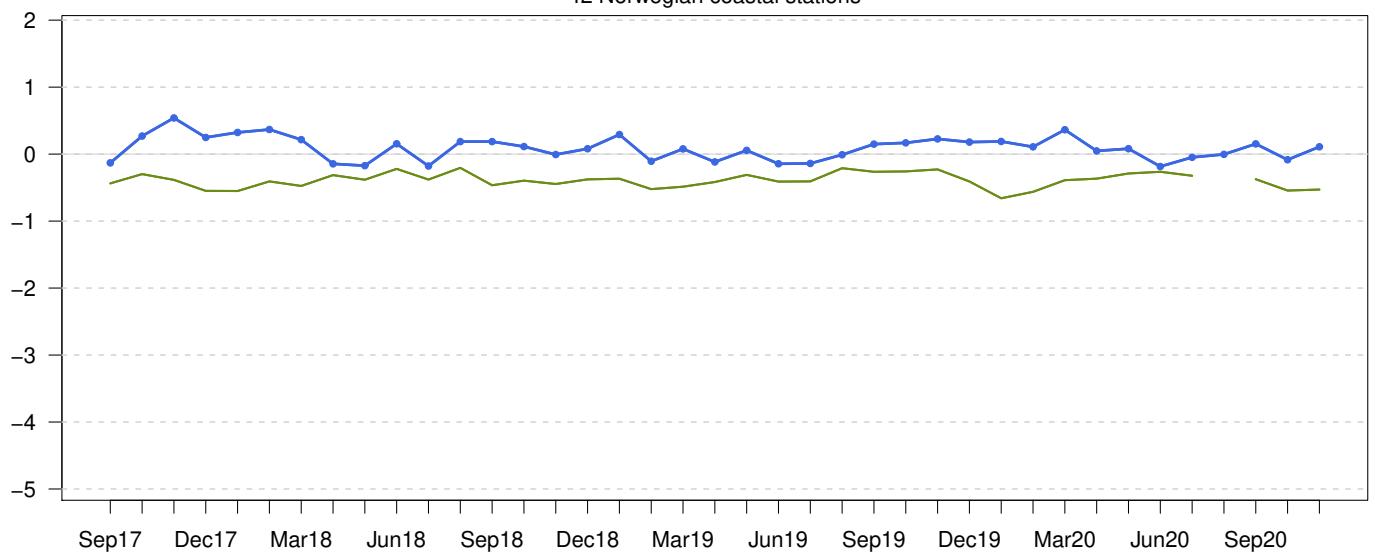




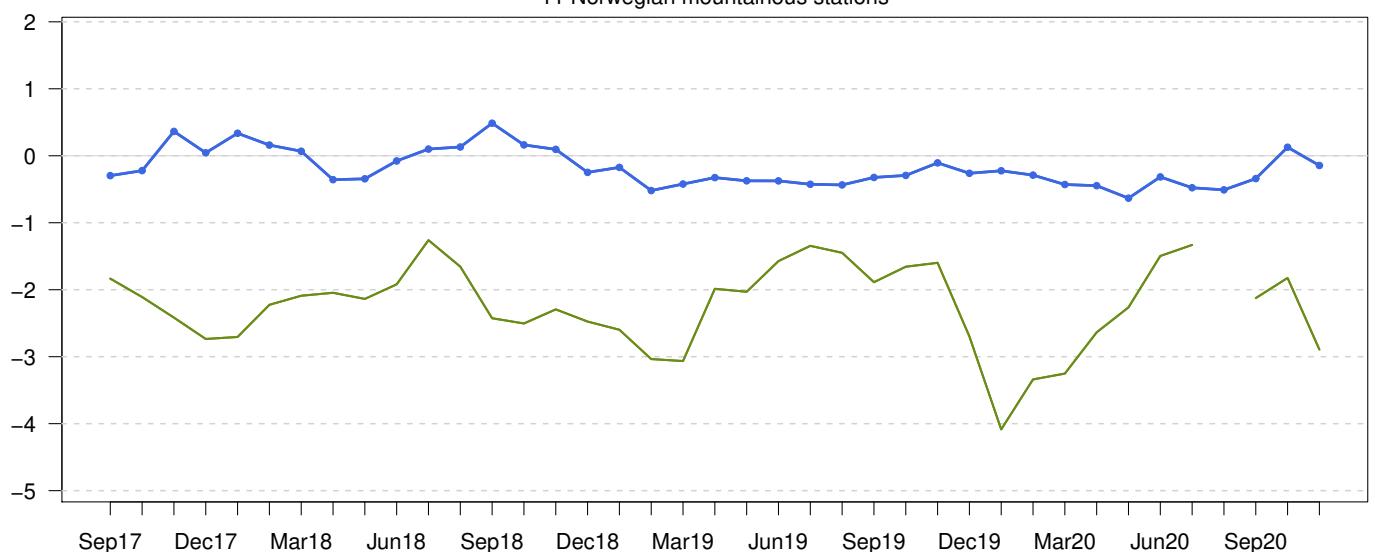
## Mean Error



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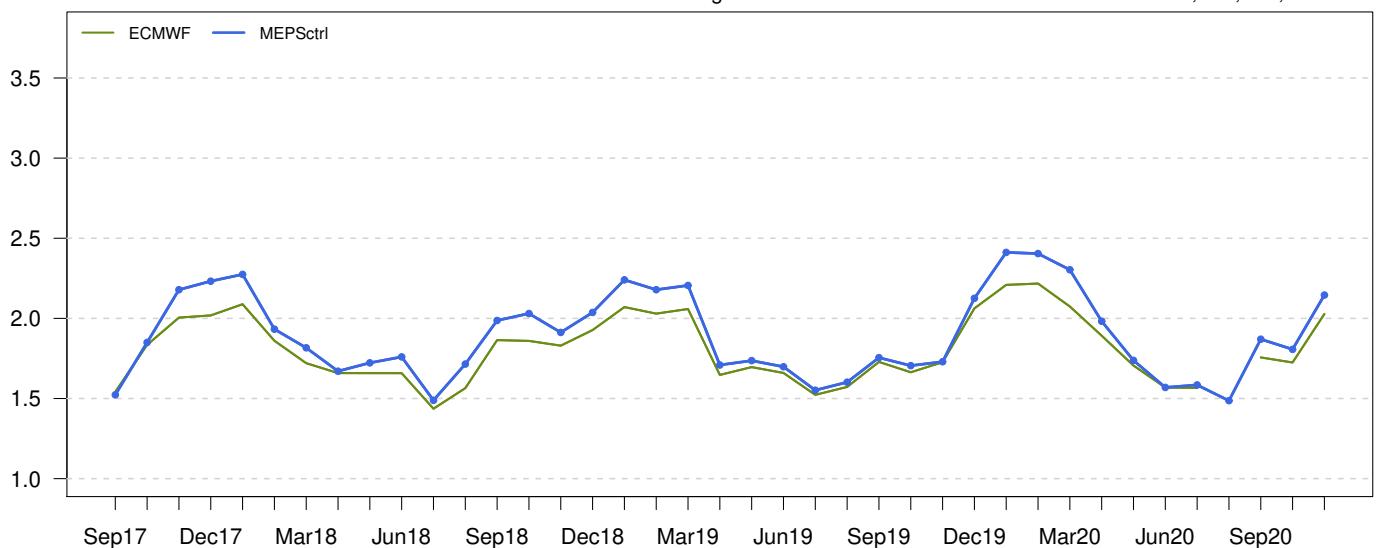
## 11 Norwegian mountainous stations



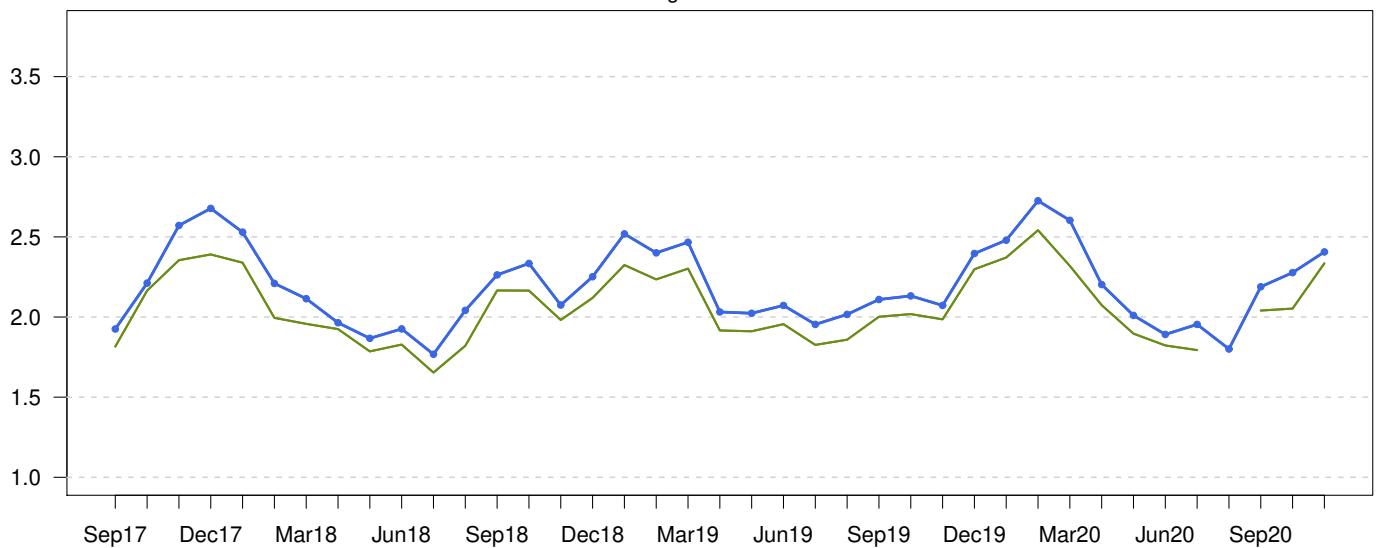
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161 Norwegian stations

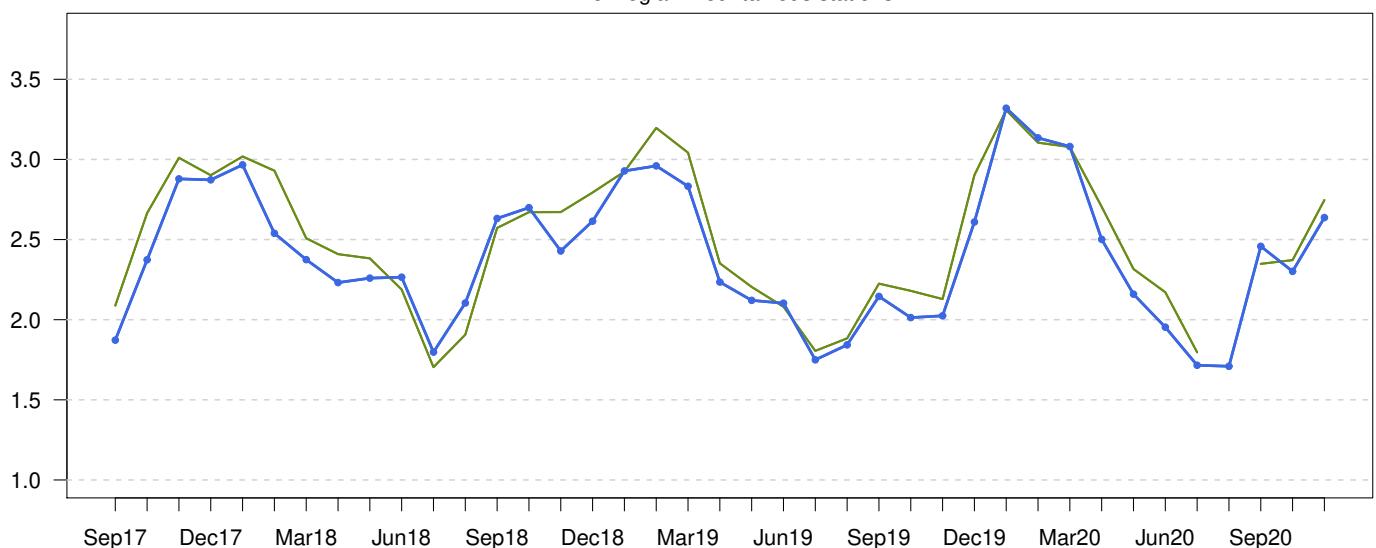
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42 Norwegian coastal stations



11 Norwegian mountainous stations



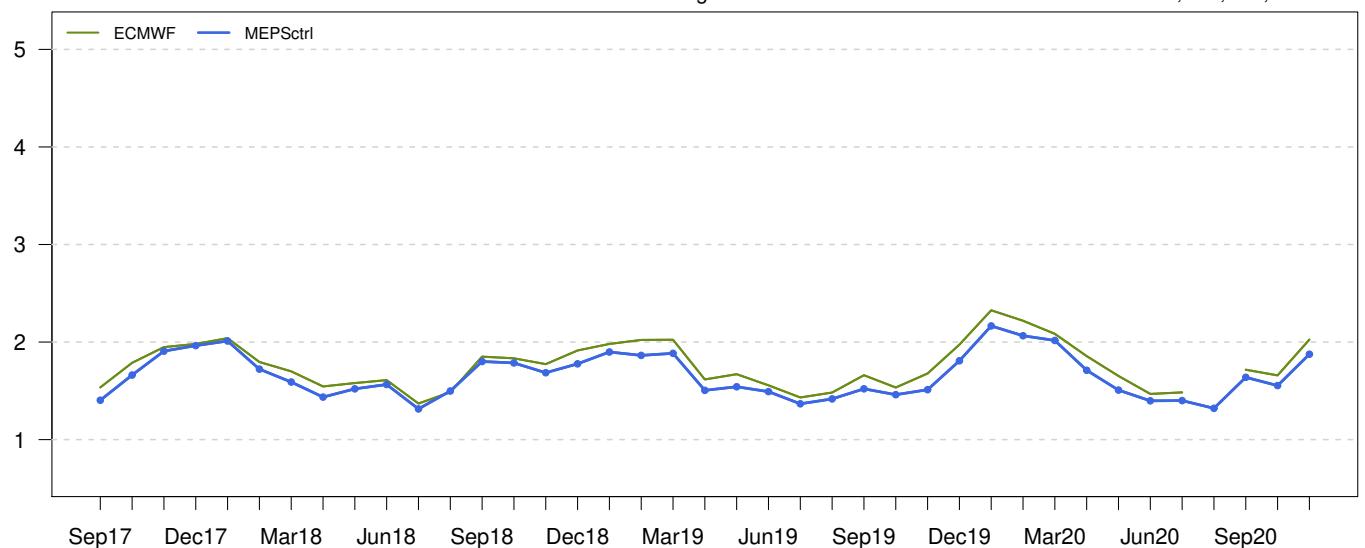
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Wind speed 10m

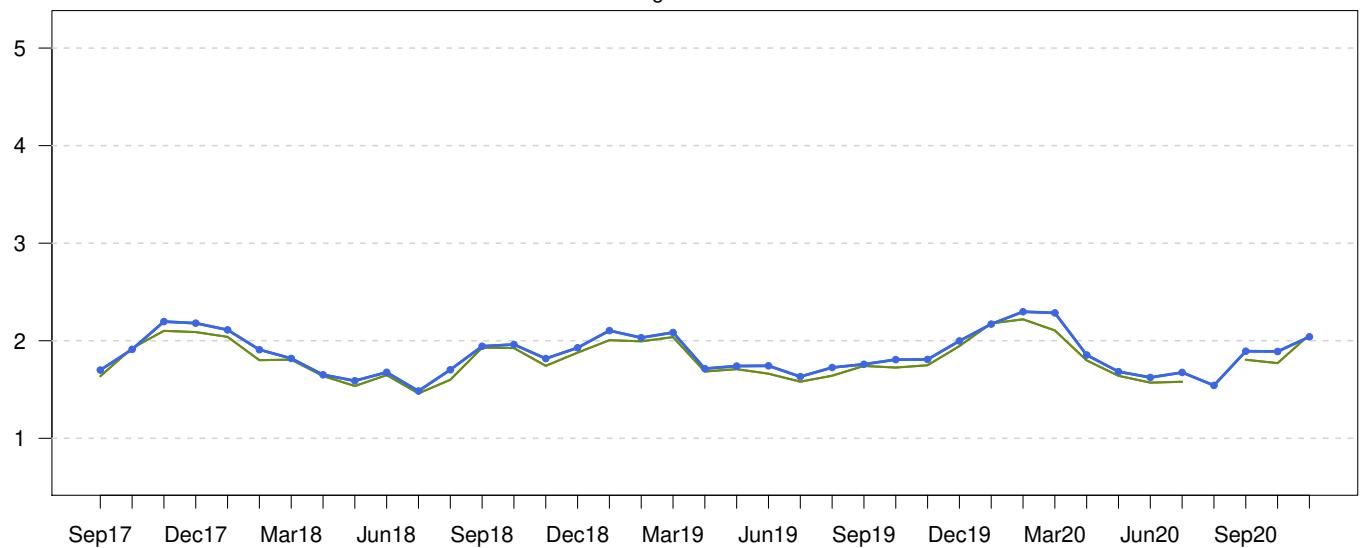
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161 Norwegian stations

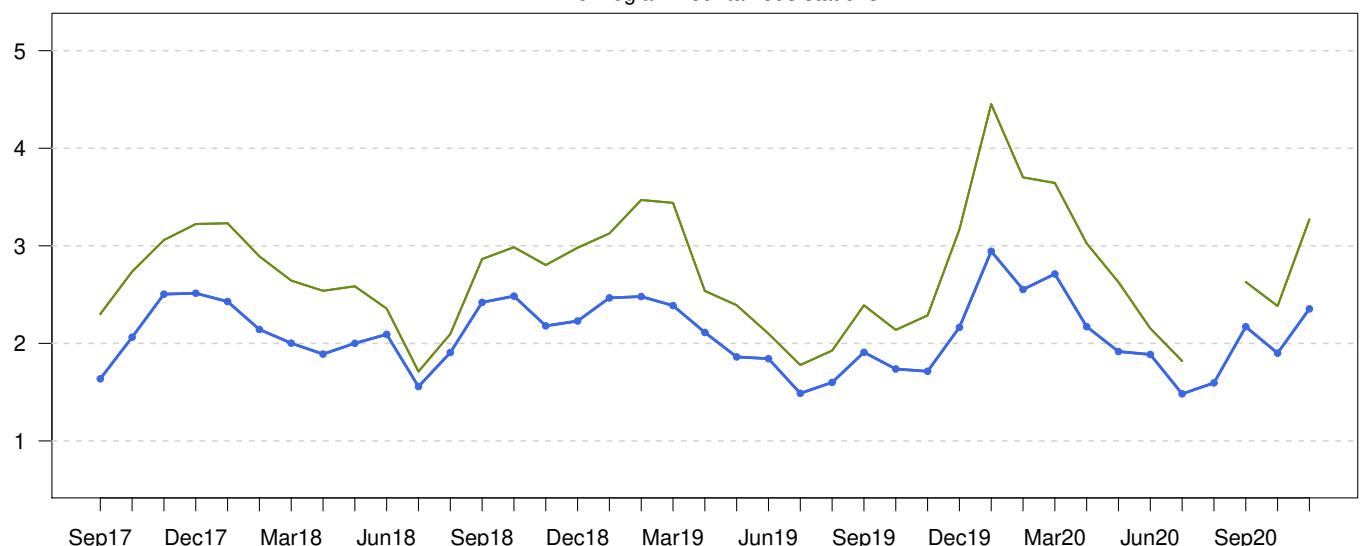
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42 Norwegian coastal stations

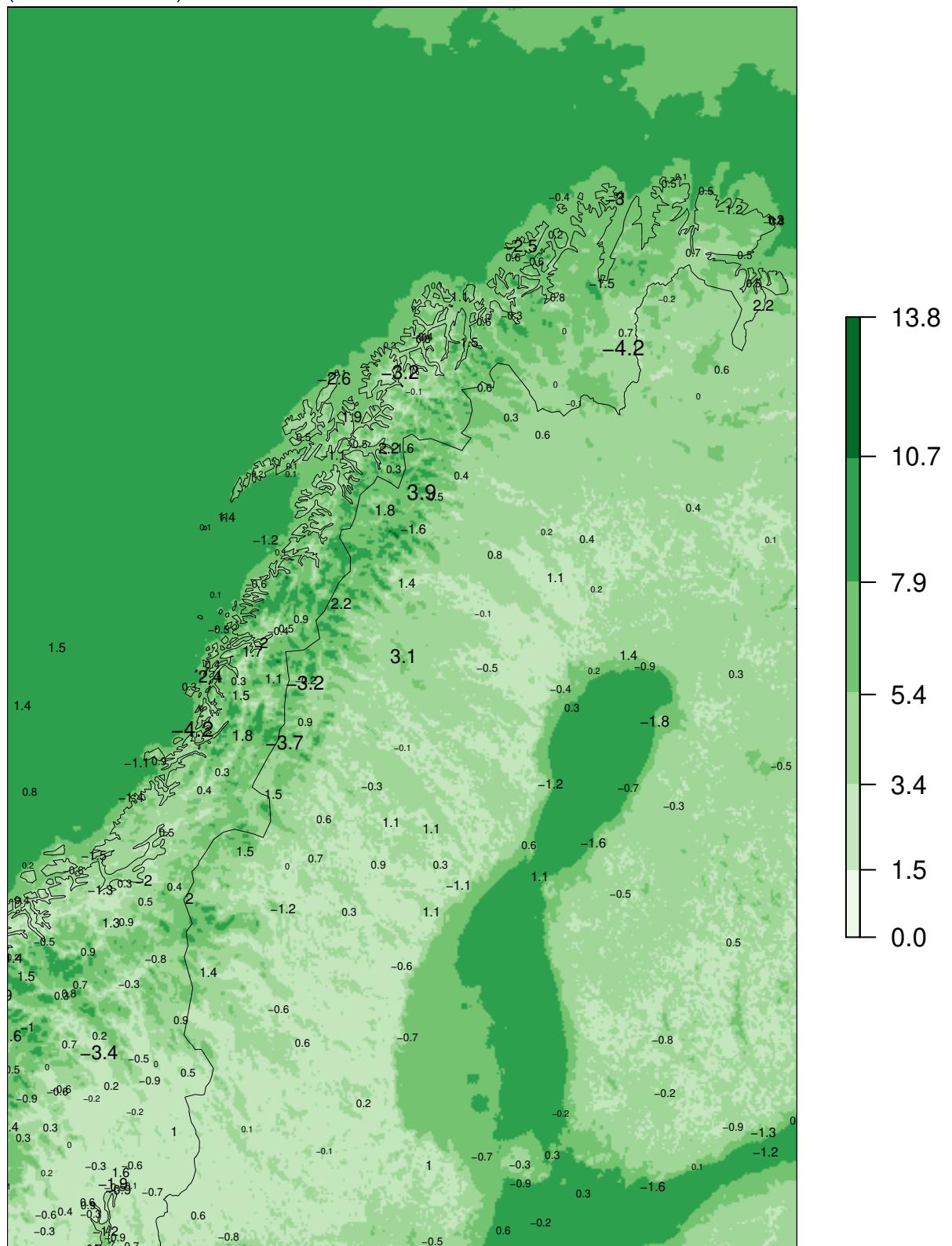


11 Norwegian mountainous stations



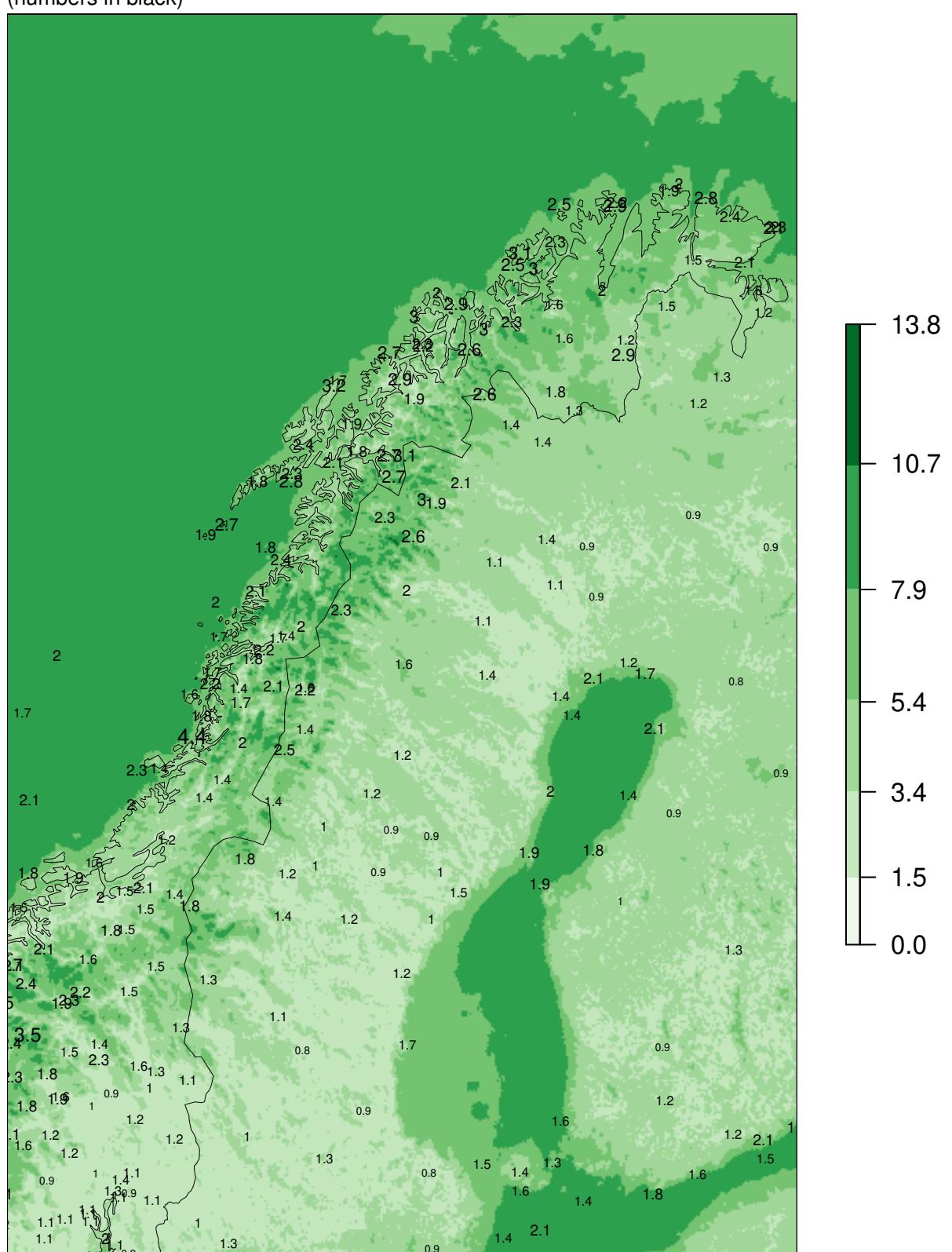
## MEPSctrl 00+12

ME at observing sites  
(numbers in black)



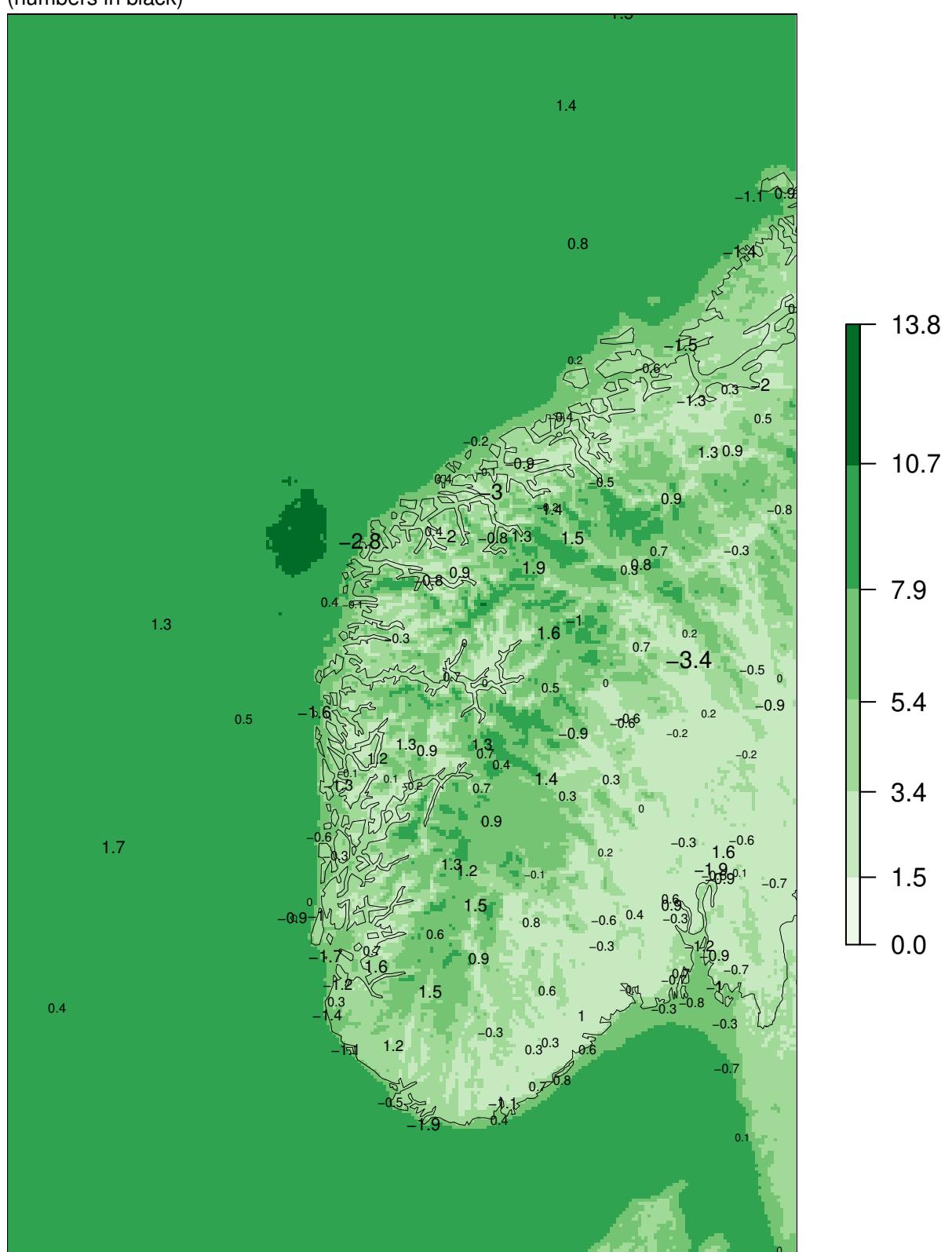
Model "climatology" 01.09.2020 – 30.11.2020

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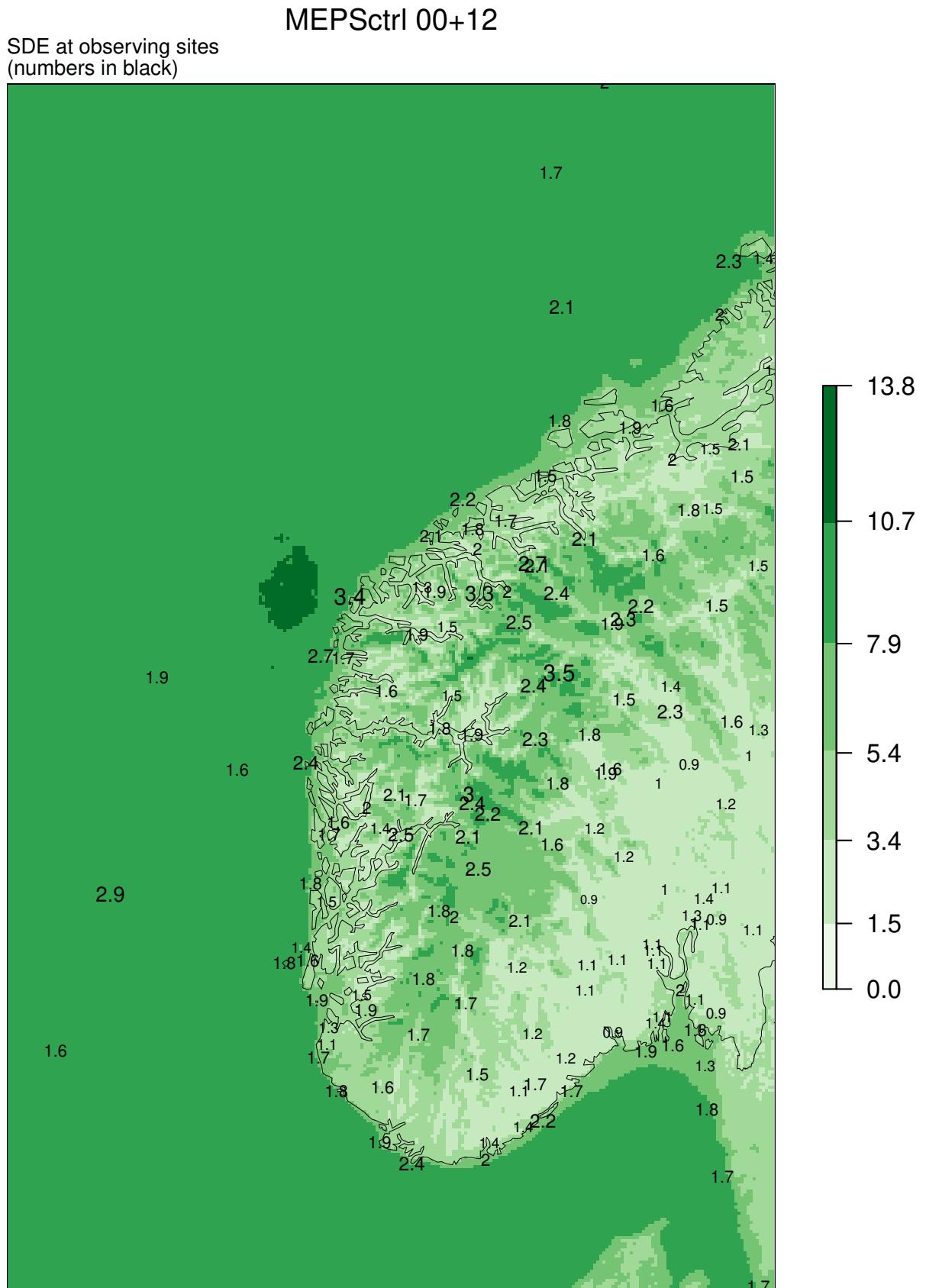


MEPSctrl 00+12  
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### MEPSctrl 00+12



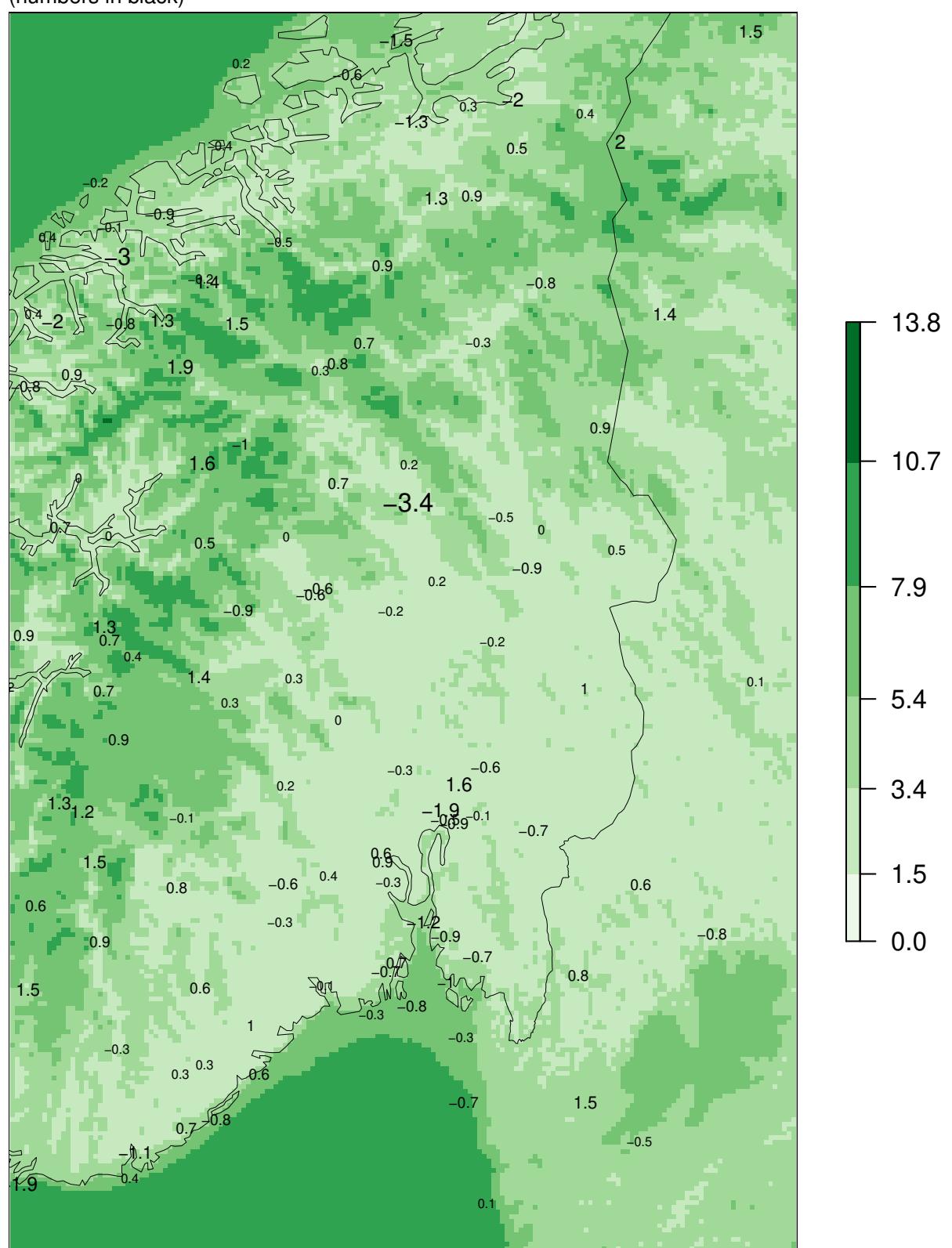
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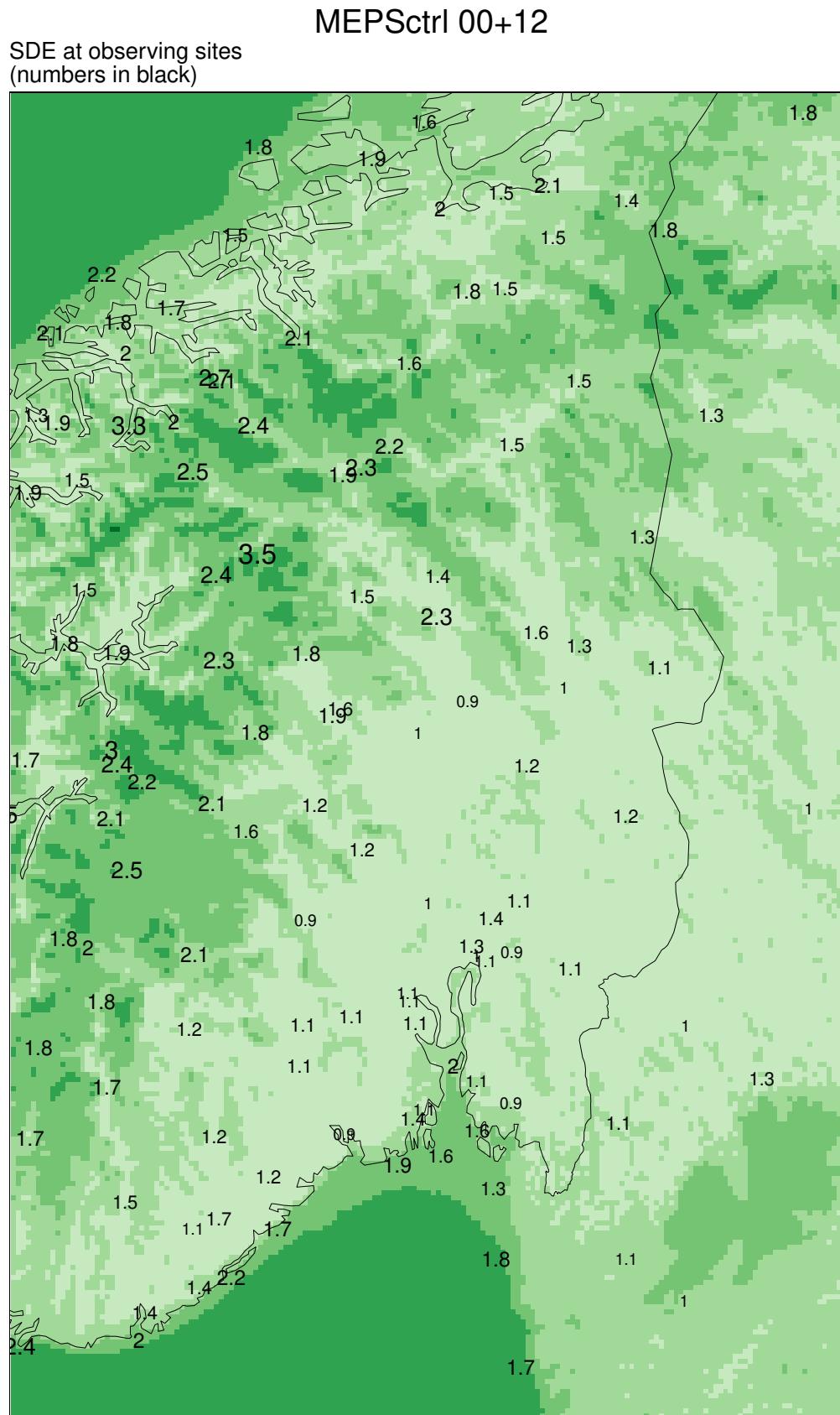
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### MEPSctrl 00+12



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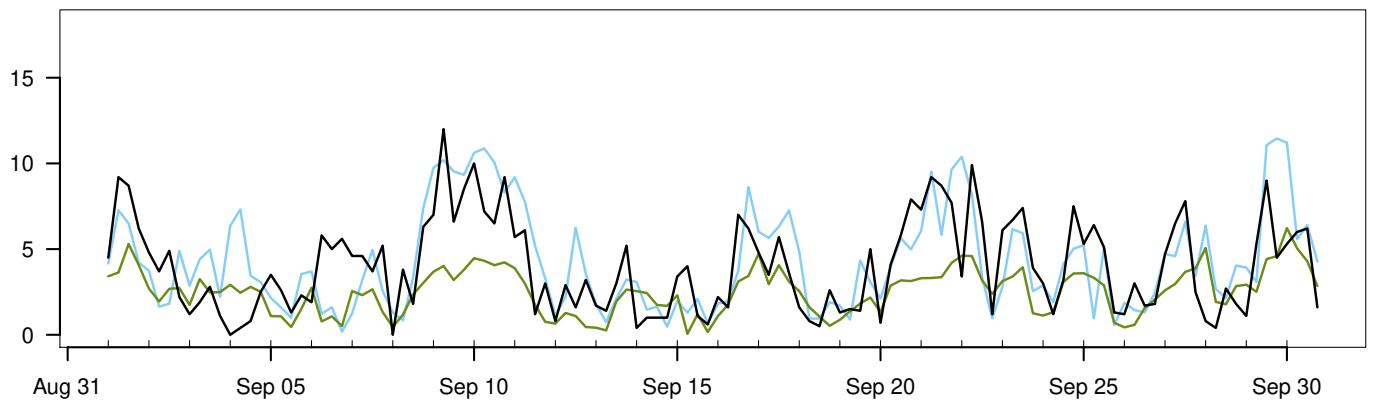
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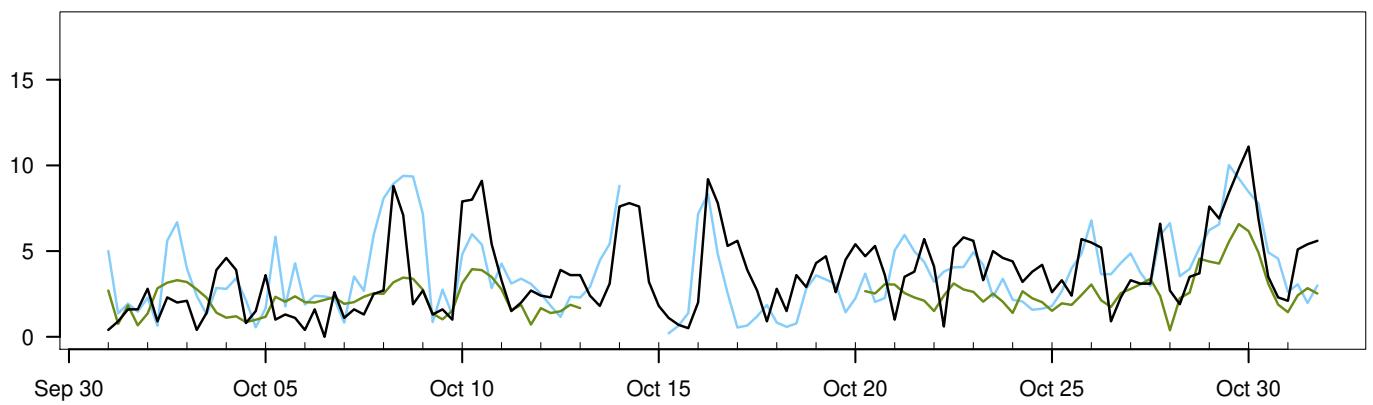
Wind speed 10m

## SVALBARD LUFTHAVN

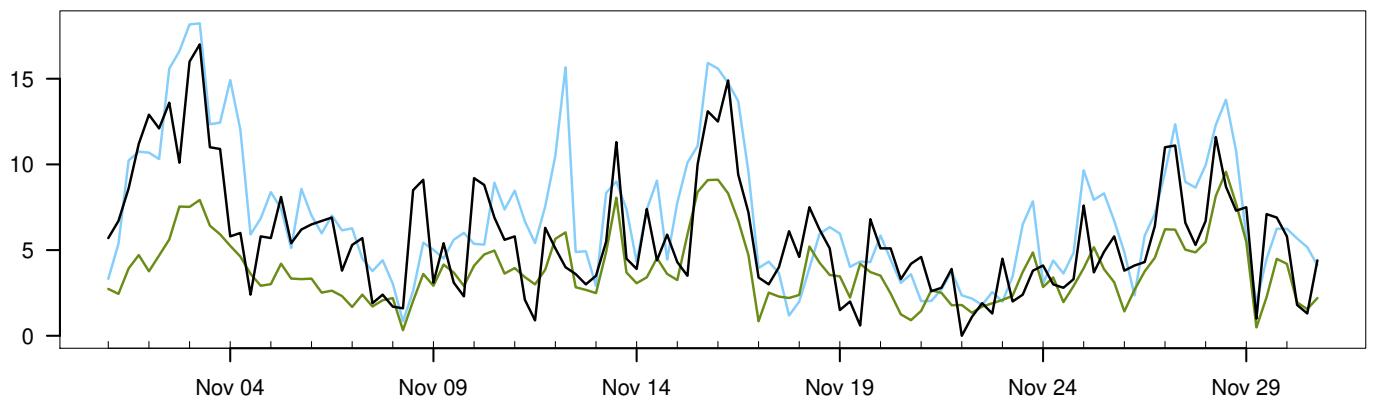
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01.11.2020 – 30.11.2020



01.09.2020 – 30.11.2020

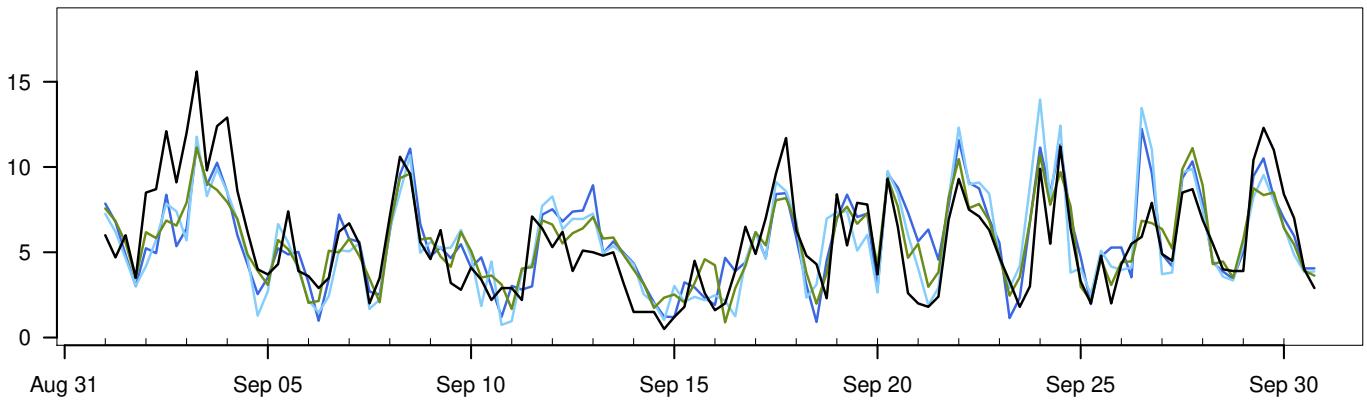
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— AA25: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	0.2	5	18.2	3.4	360
— ECMWF: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	0.1	3	9.6	1.7	336

	ME	SDE	RMSE	MAE	Max.abs.err.	N
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ECMWF – synop	-1.5	2.2	2.7	2.1	9.1	336

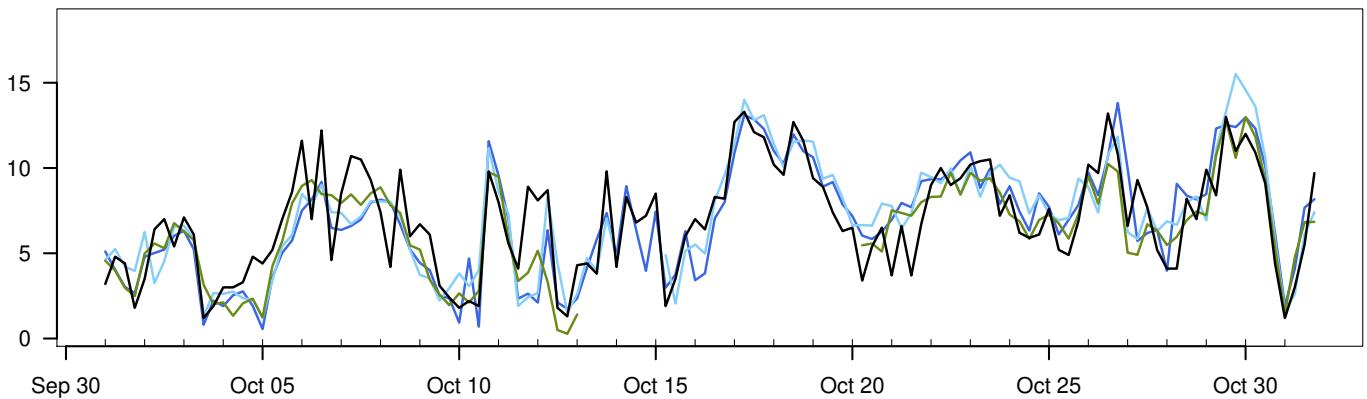
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**Wind speed 10m****BJØRNØYA**

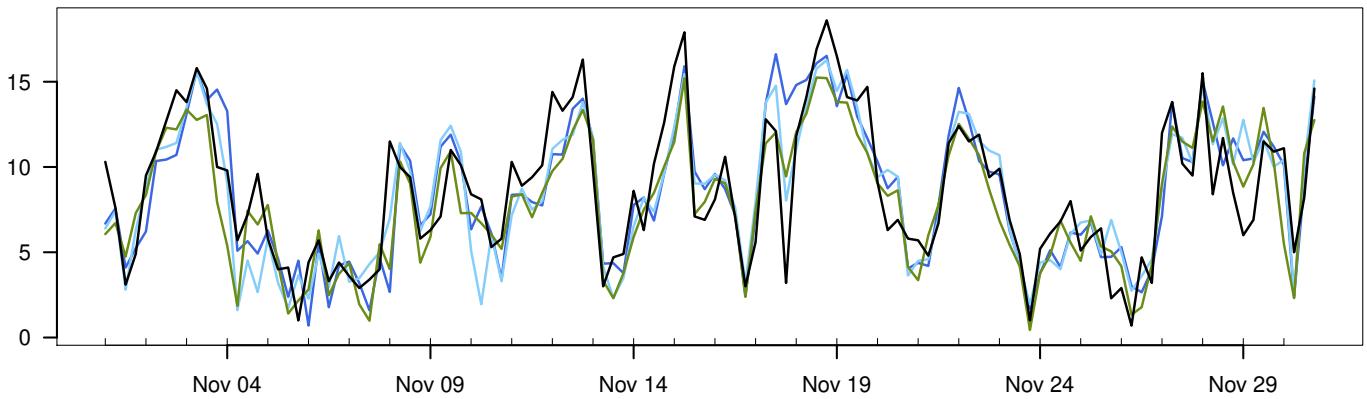
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	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N
synop: 00,06,12,18	0.5	7.1	18.6	3.6	364
MEPSctrl: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	0.6	7	16.6	3.5	364
AA25: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	0.7	7	16.3	3.6	360
ECMWF: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	0.3	6.6	15.2	3.2	336

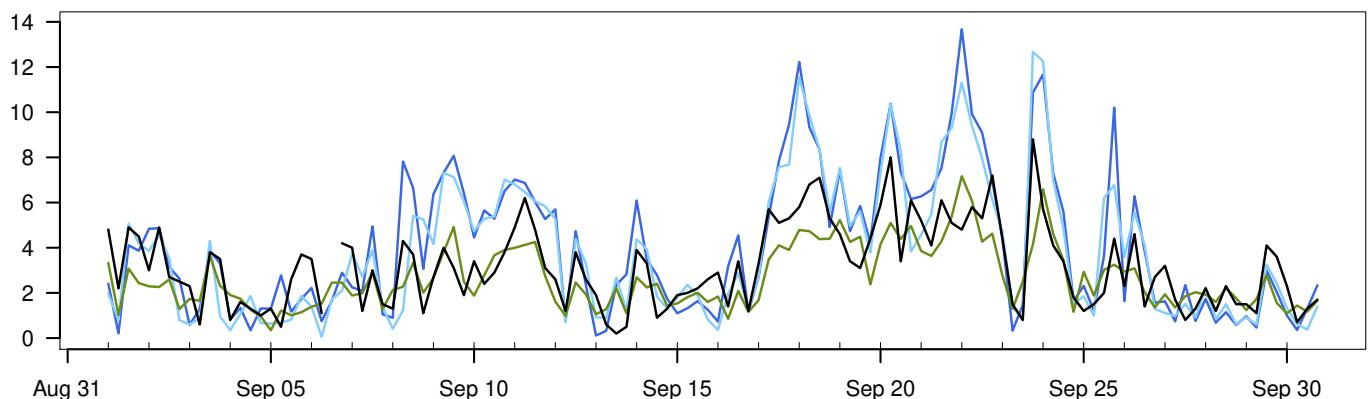
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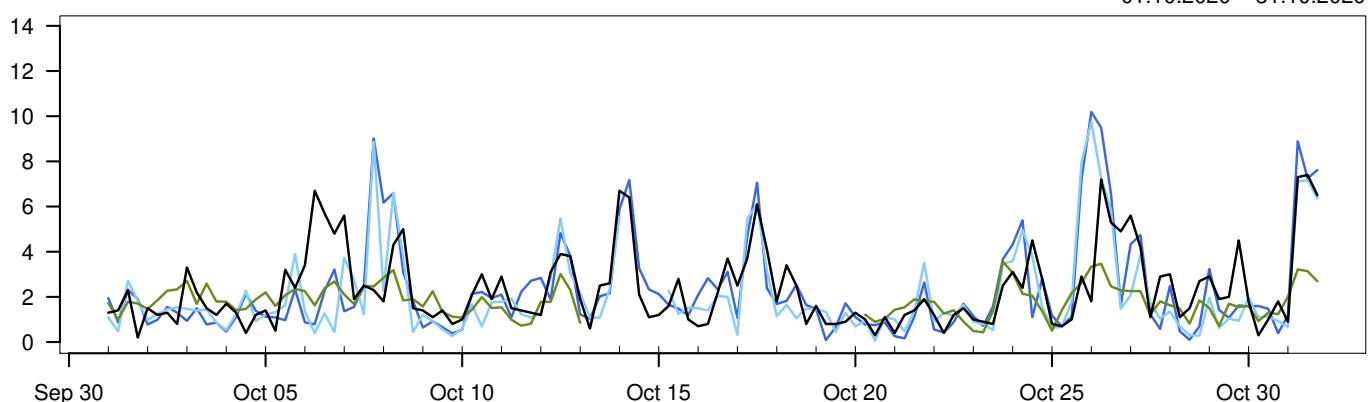
Wind speed 10m

## TROMSØ

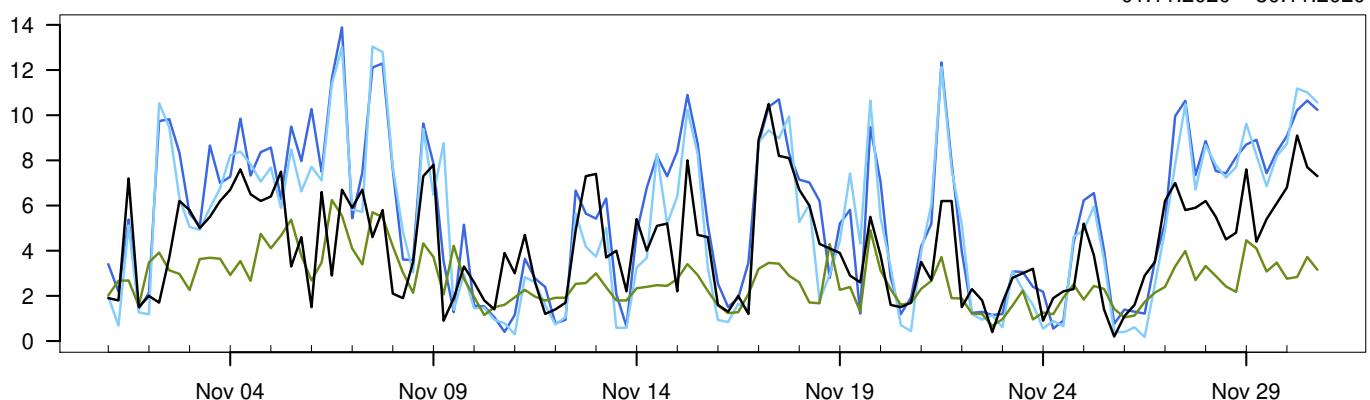
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	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N
synop: 00,06,12,18	0.2	3.2	10.5	2.1	363
MEPSctrl: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	0.1	4	13.9	3.2	364
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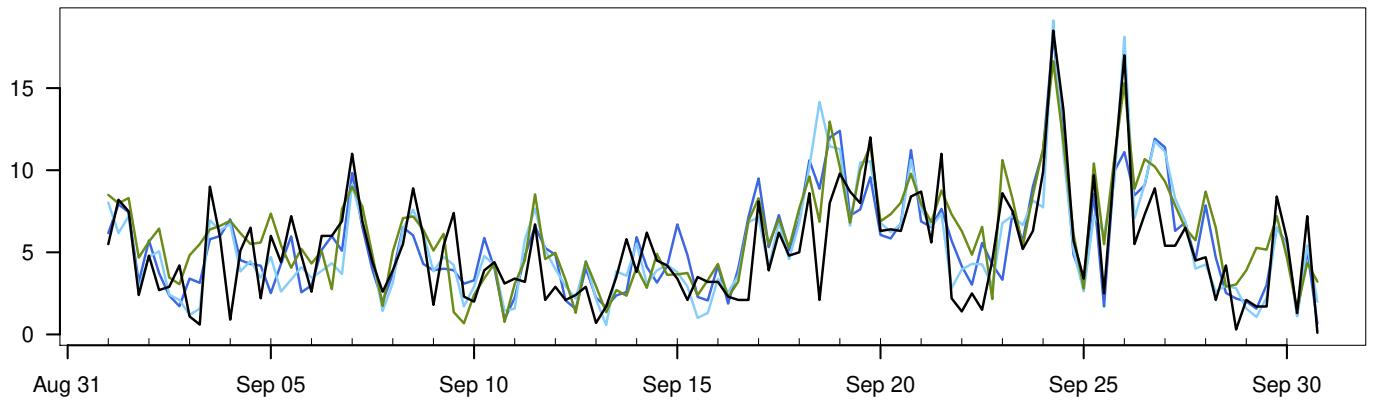
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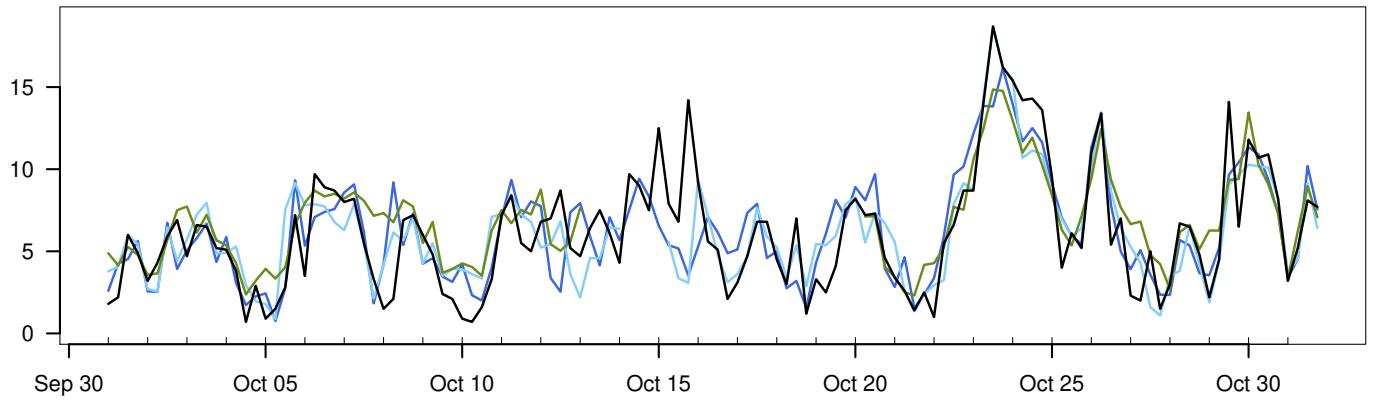
Wind speed 10m

## SLETTNES FYR

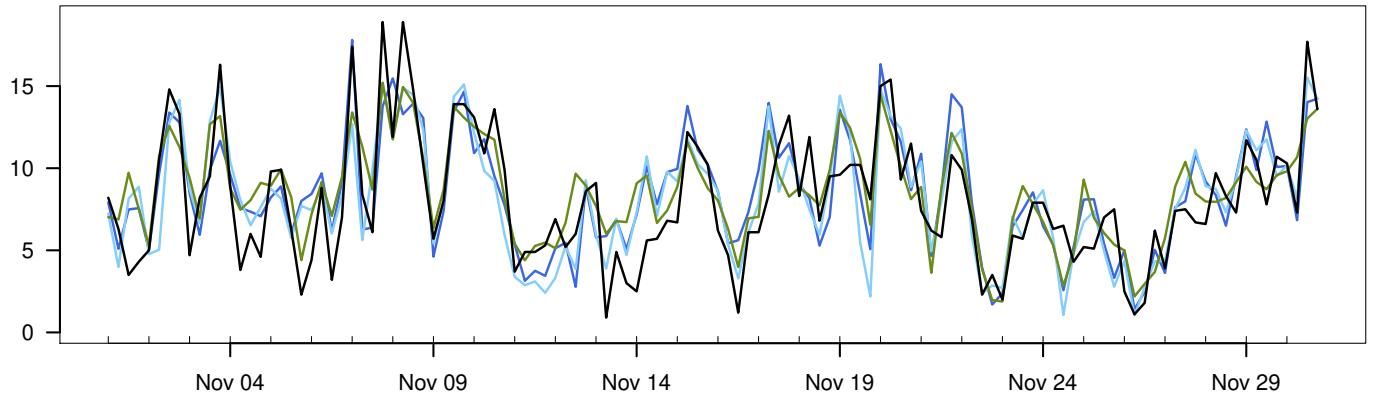
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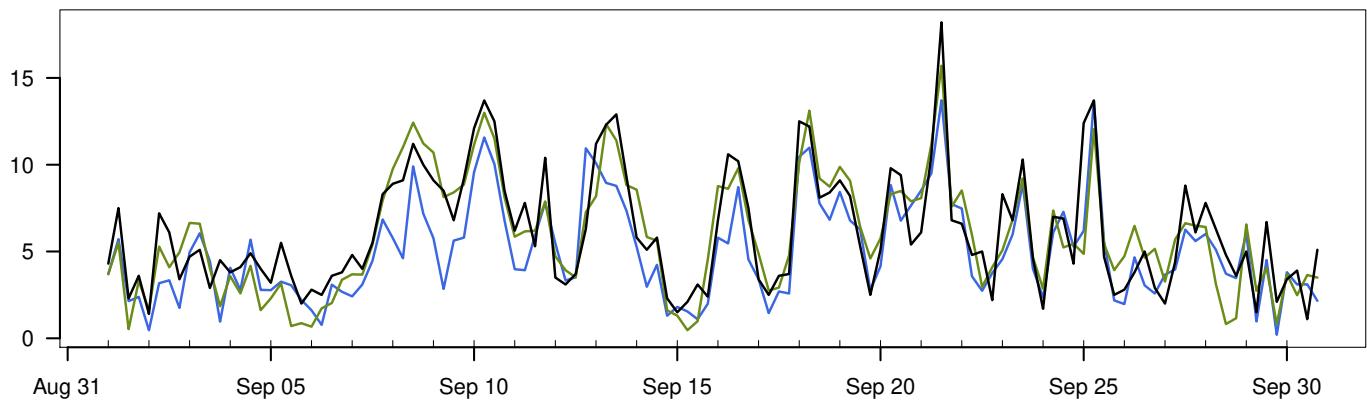
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AA25: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	0.6	6.6	19.1	3.5	360
ECMWF: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	0.7	7.2	16.6	3.1	336

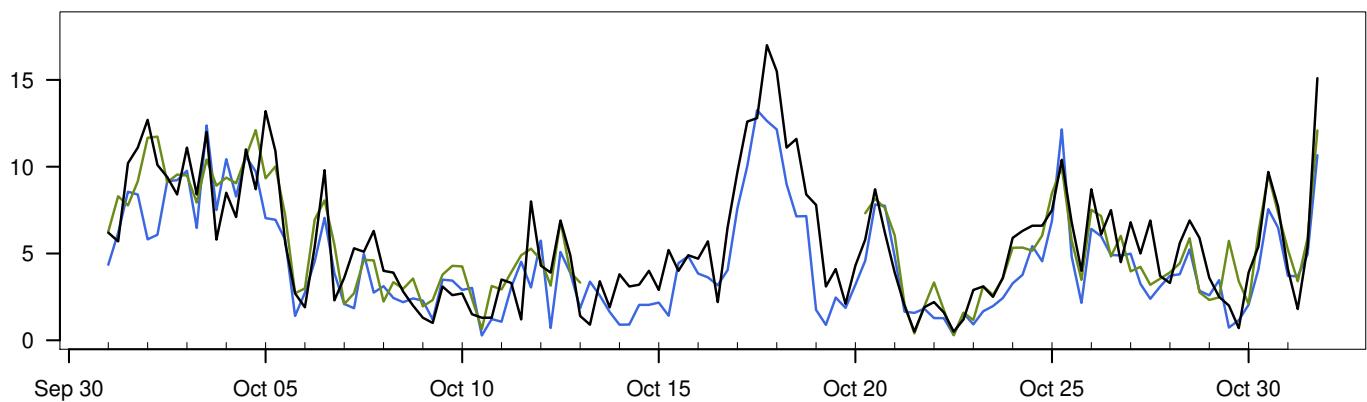
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AA25 – synop	0.1	2.3	2.3	1.7	12.1	360
ECMWF – synop	0.7	2.2	2.3	1.8	6.6	336

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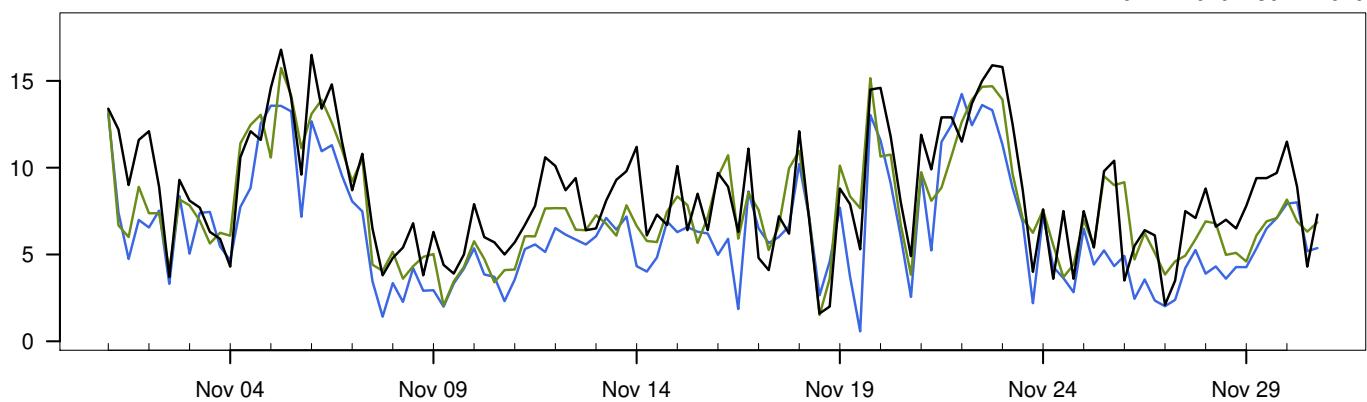
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01.09.2020 – 30.11.2020

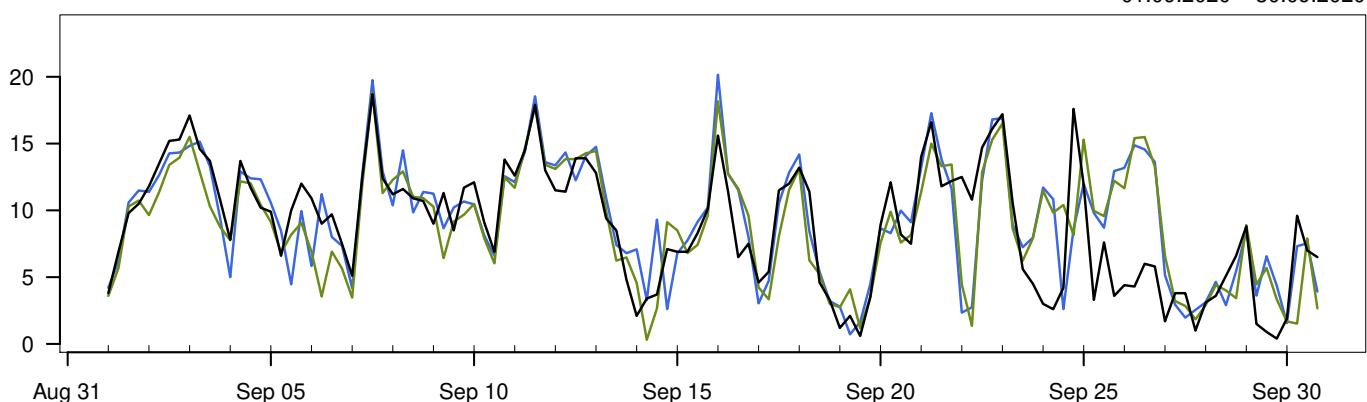
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ECMWF: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	0.3	6.3	15.7	3.2	336

	ME	SDE	RMSE	MAE	Max.abs.err.	N
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ECMWF – synop	-0.4	1.8	1.8	1.4	7.5	336

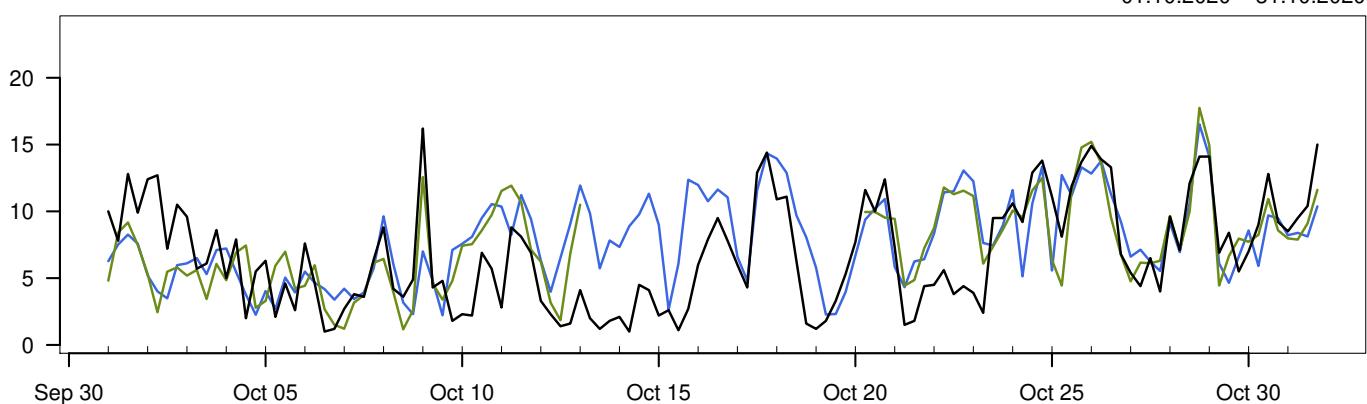
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**Wind speed 10m****YTTERØYANE FYR**

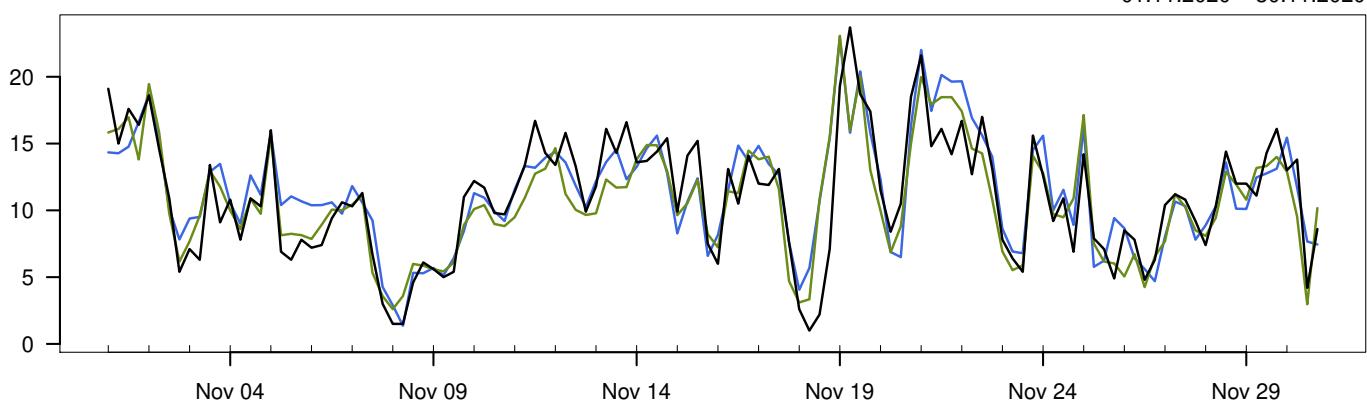
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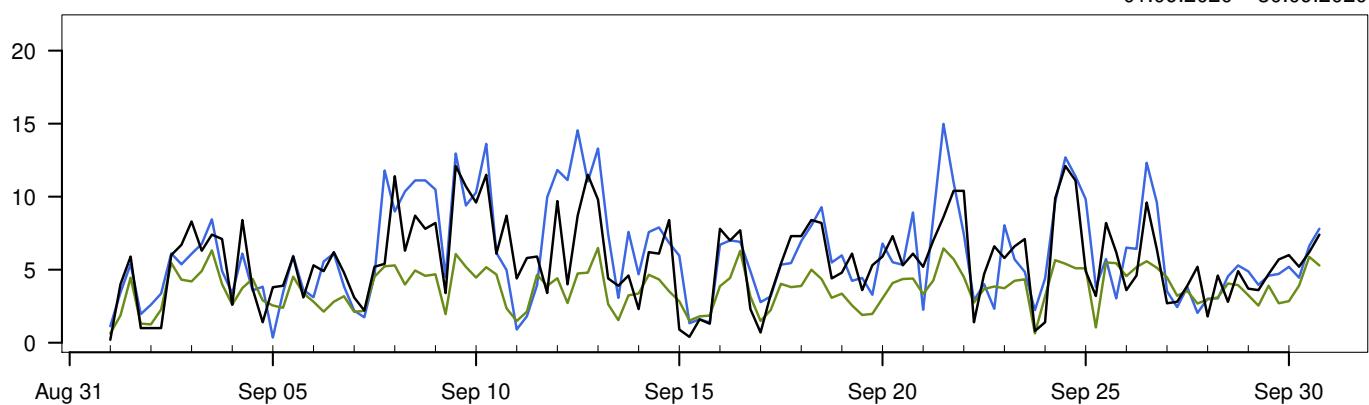
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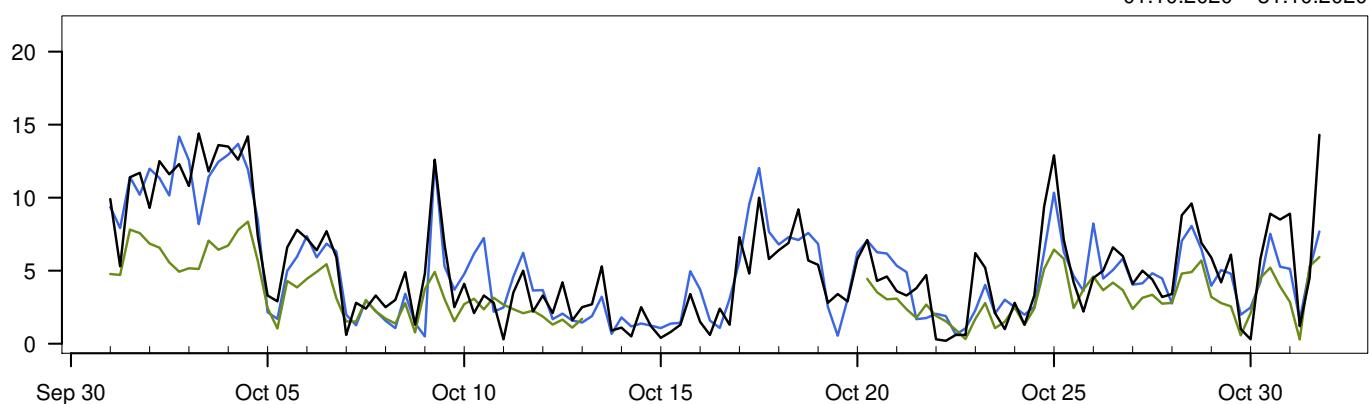
Wind speed 10m

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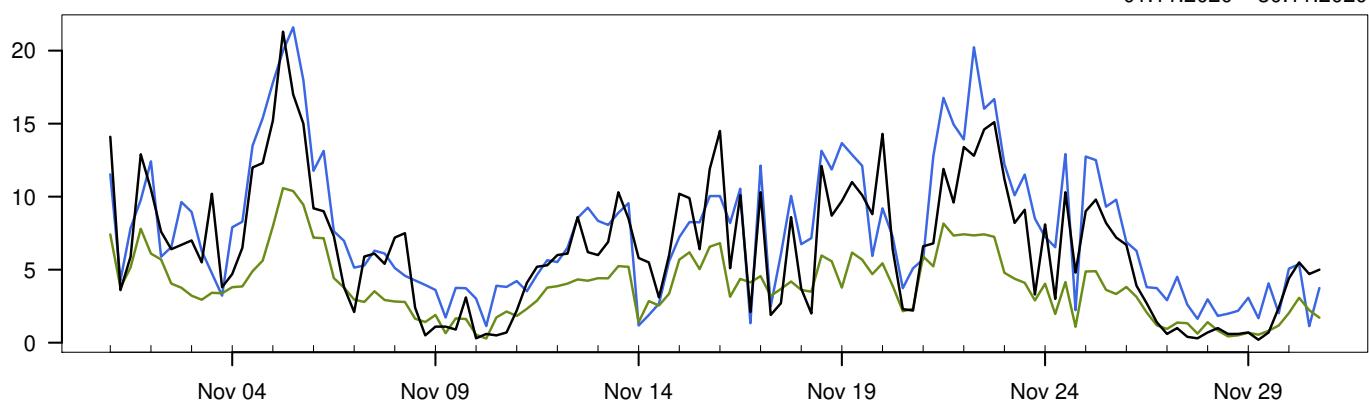
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	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N
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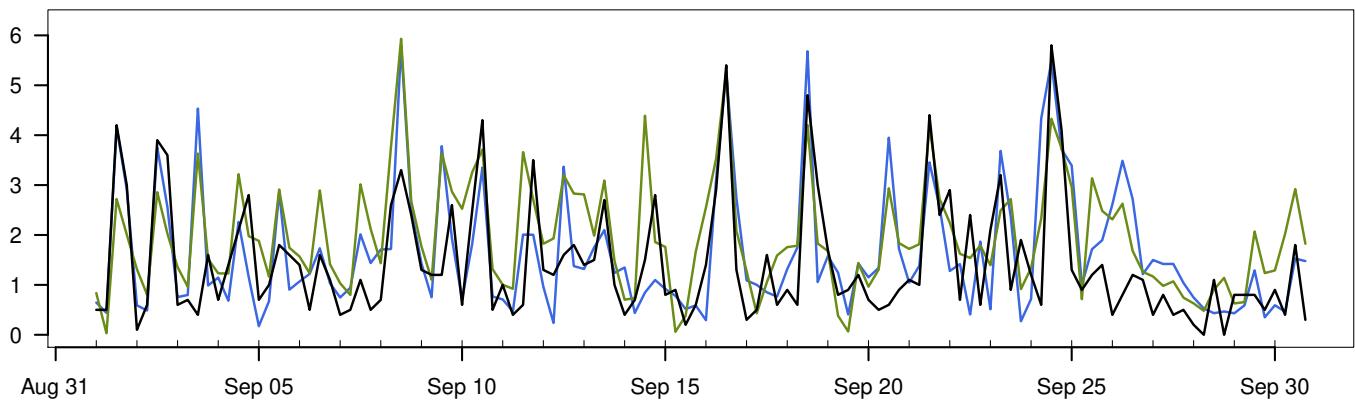
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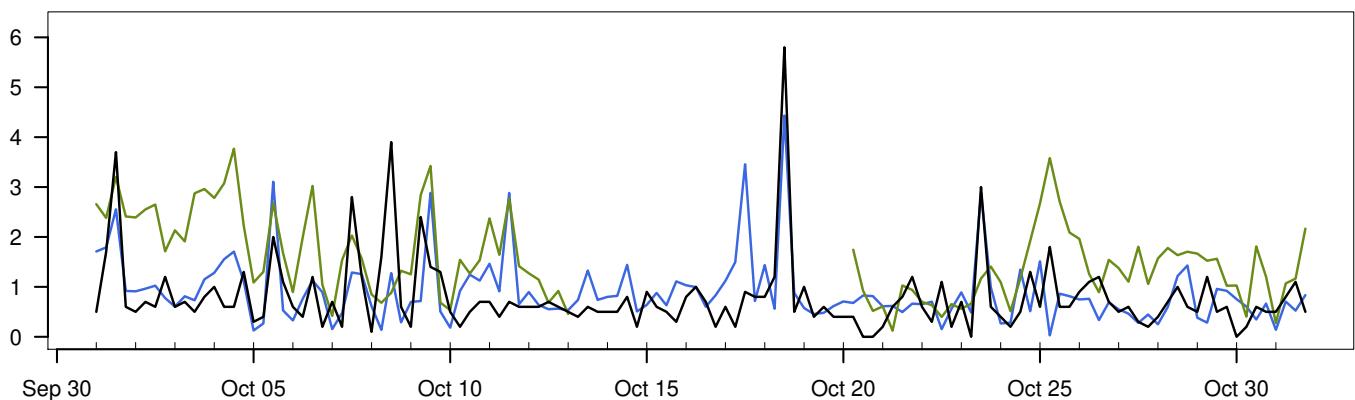
Wind speed 10m

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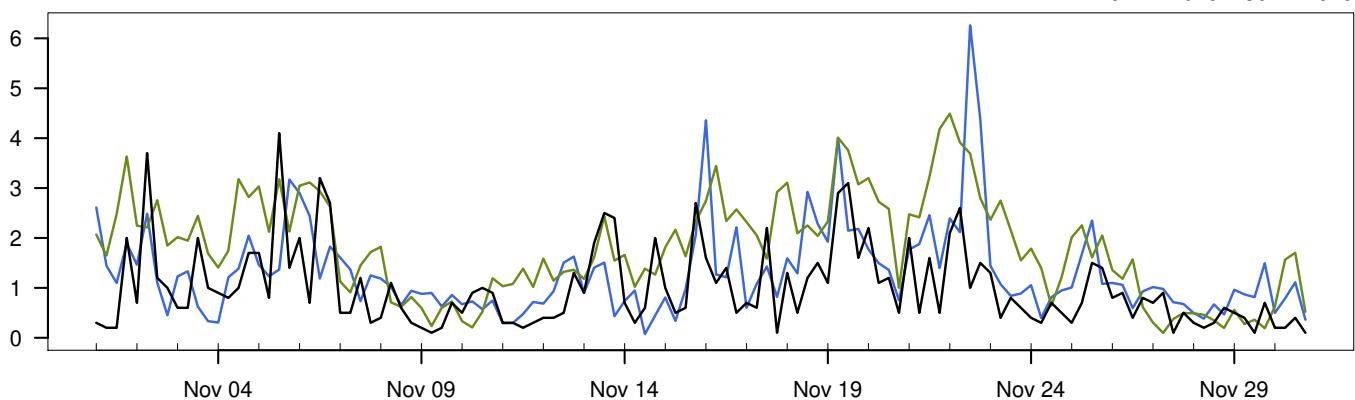
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	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N
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ECMWF: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	0	1.8	5.9	1	336

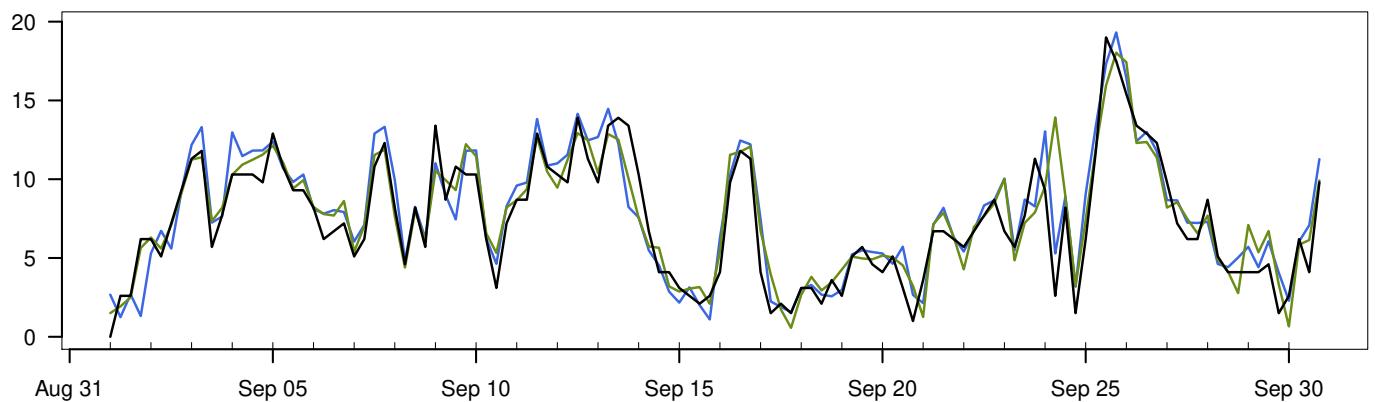
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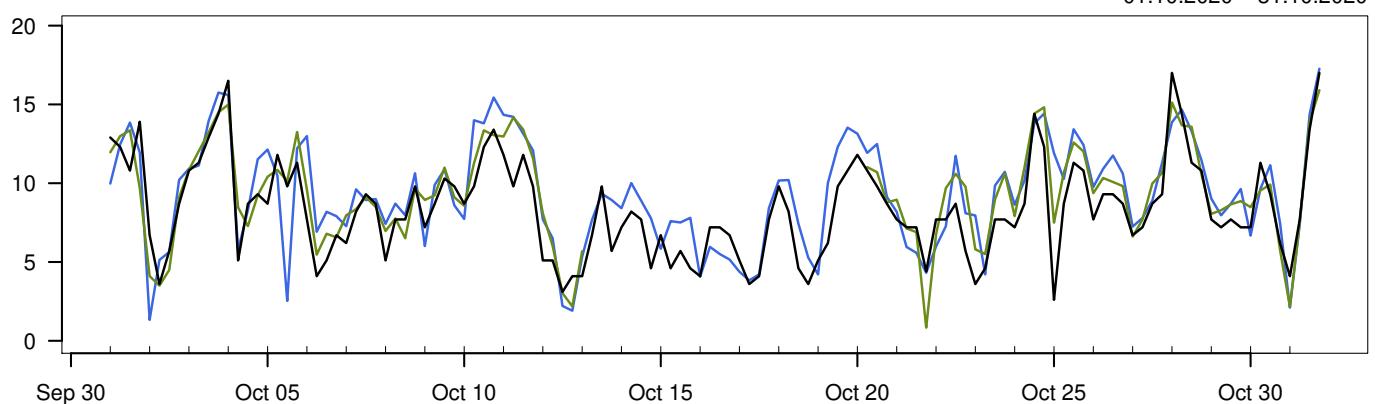
Wind speed 10m

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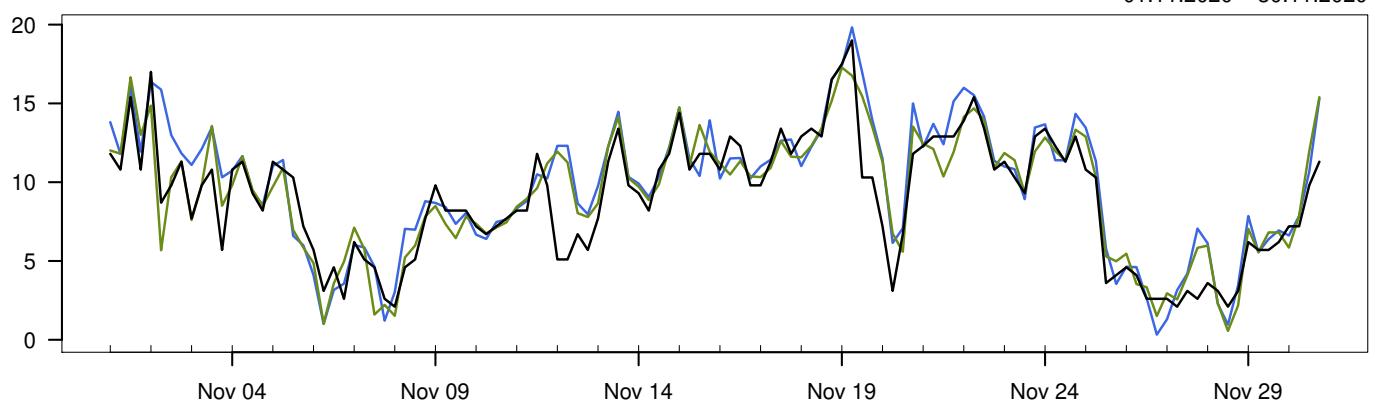
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01.11.2020 – 30.11.2020



01.09.2020 – 30.11.2020

	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N
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MEPSctrl: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	0.3	8.9	19.8	3.9	364
ECMWF: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	0.6	8.7	18	3.6	336

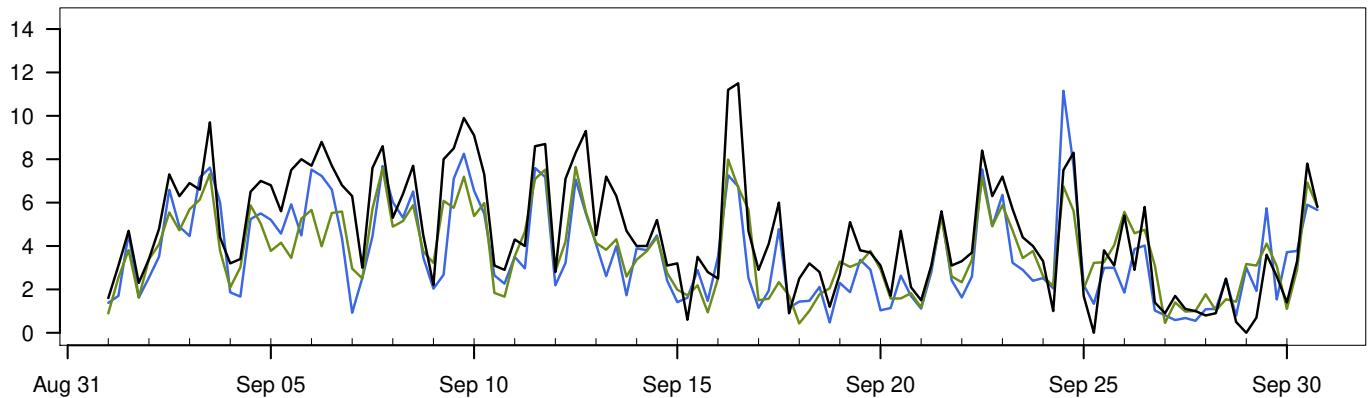
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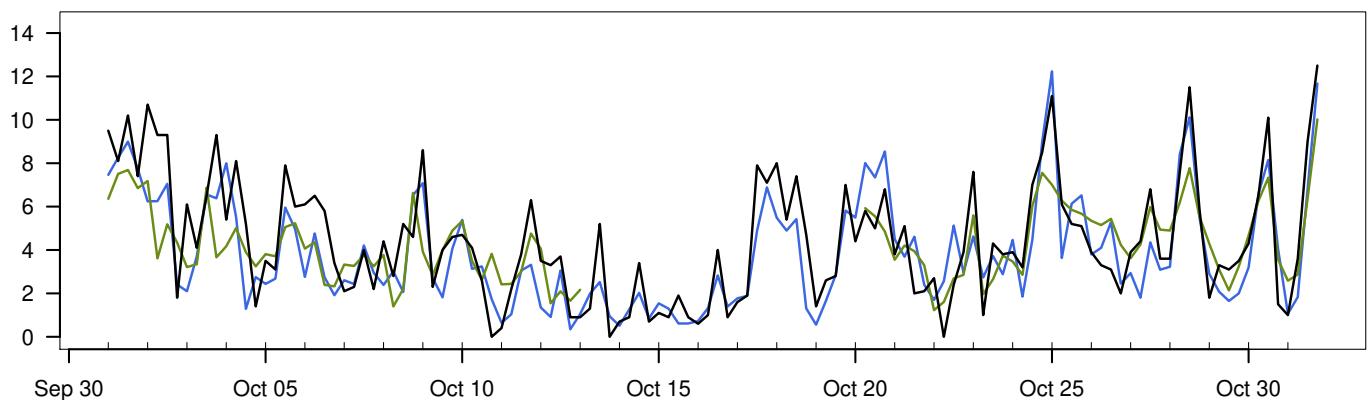
Wind speed 10m

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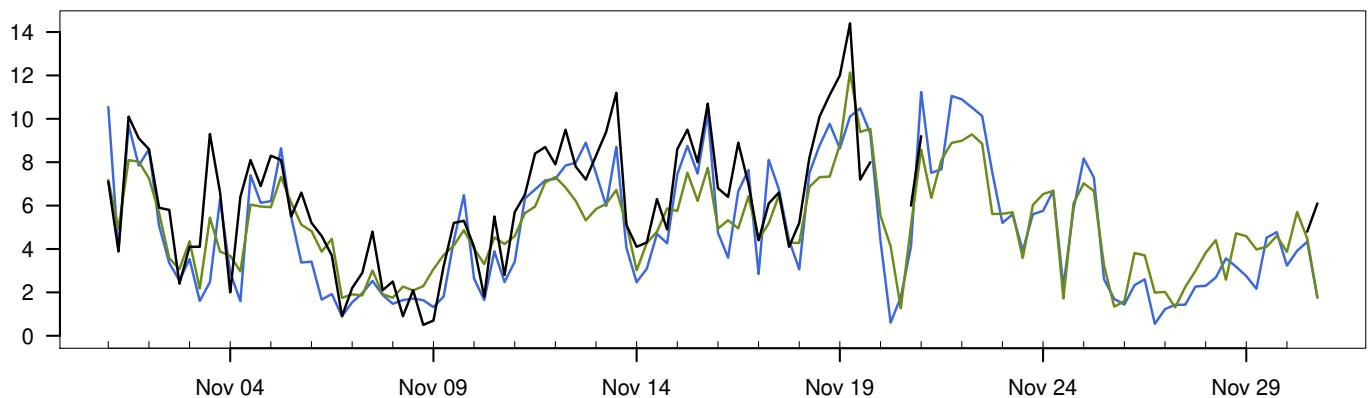
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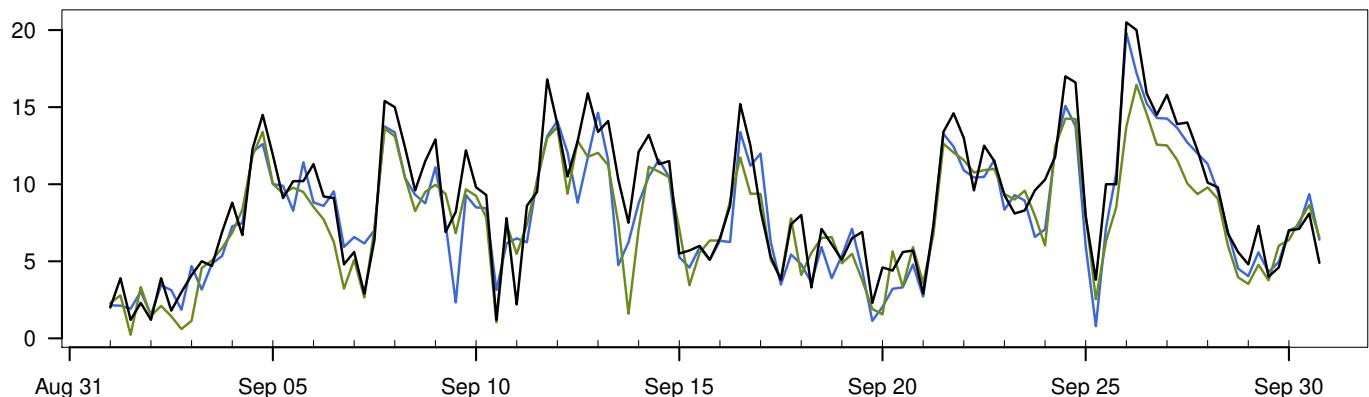
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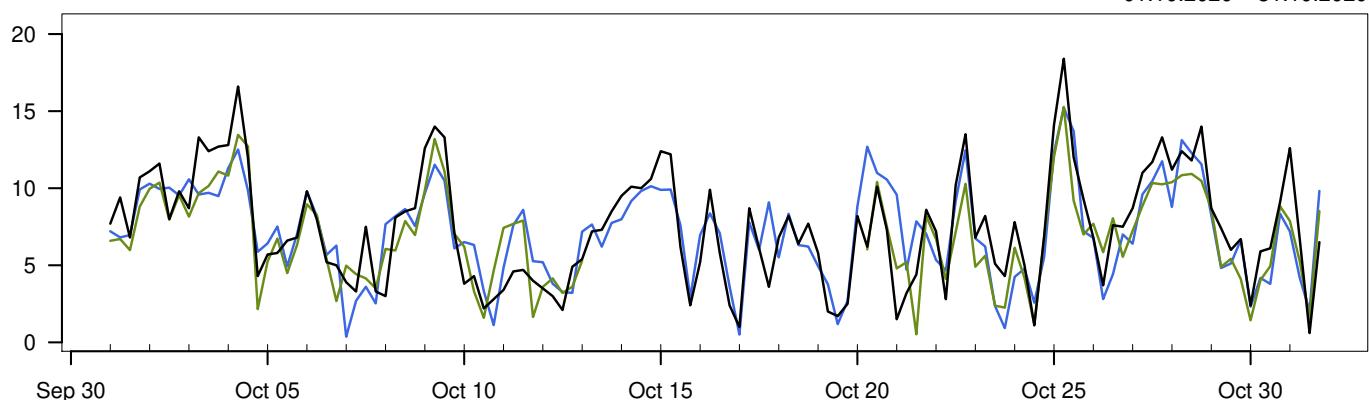
Wind speed 10m

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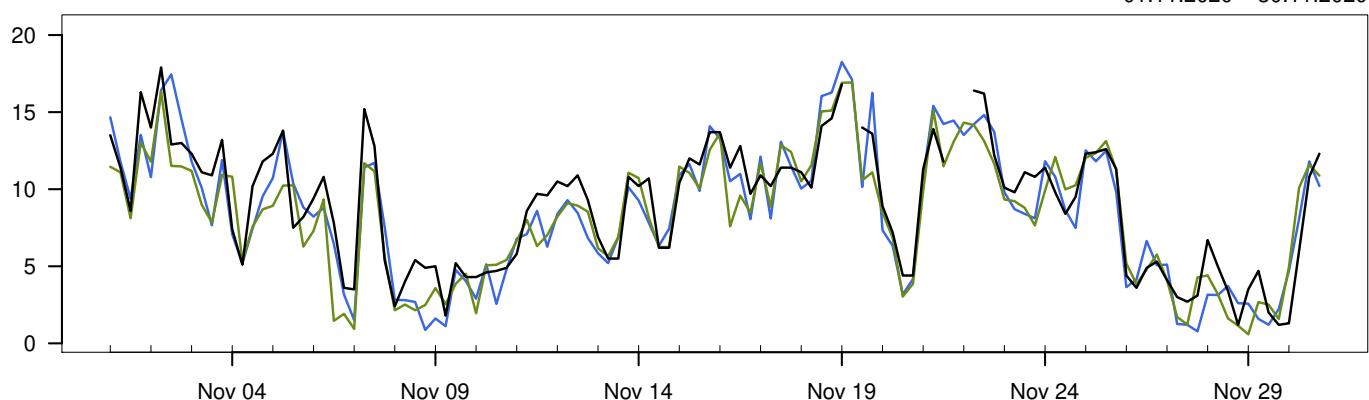
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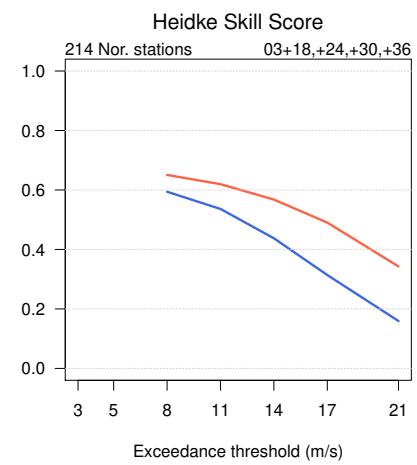
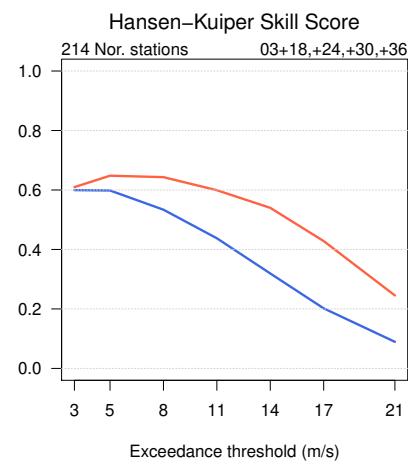
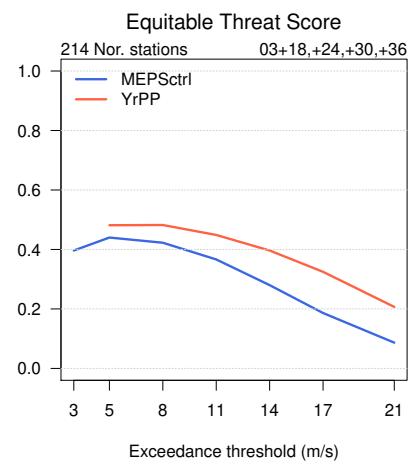
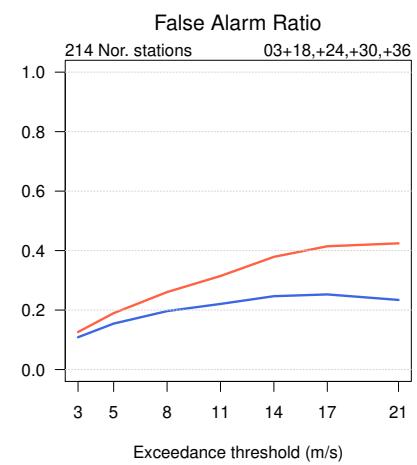
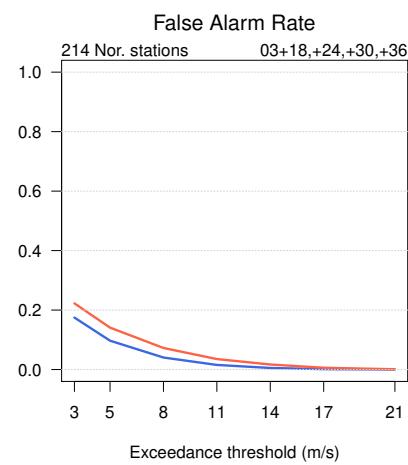
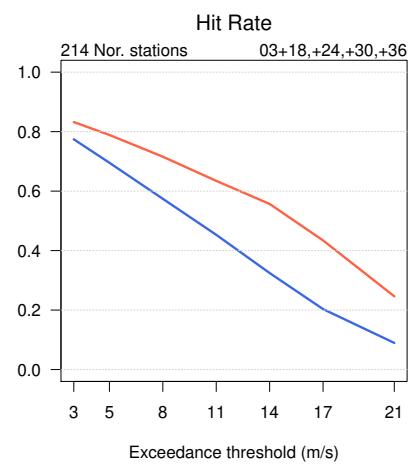
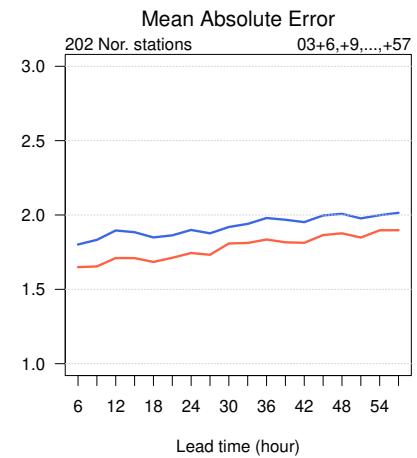
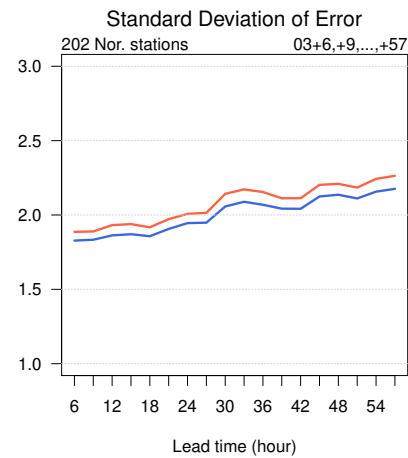
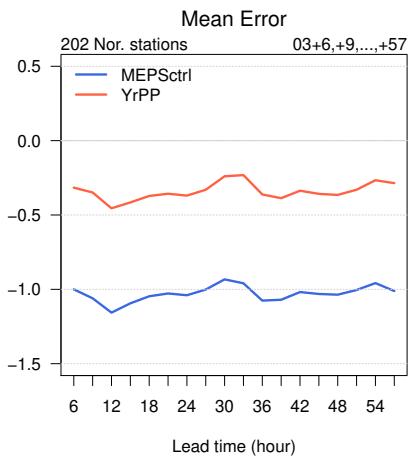
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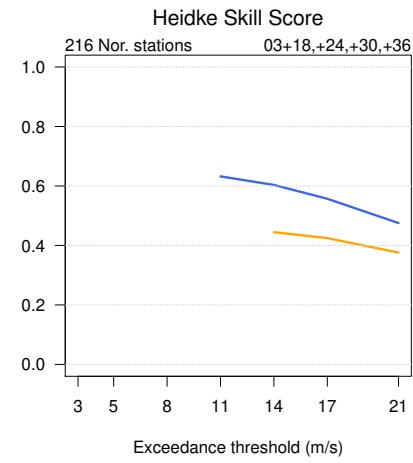
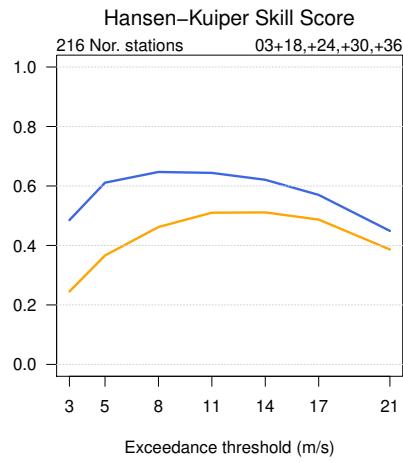
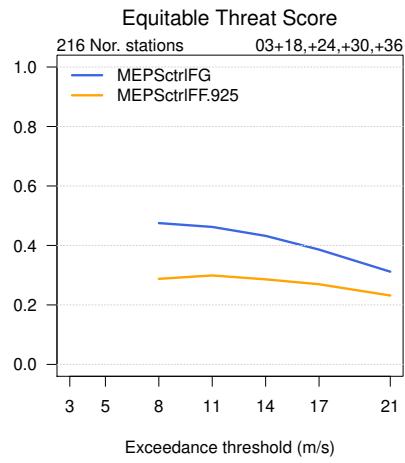
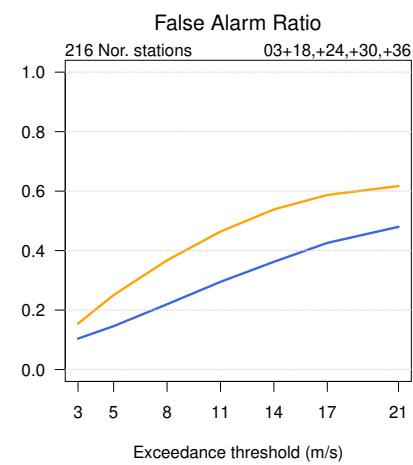
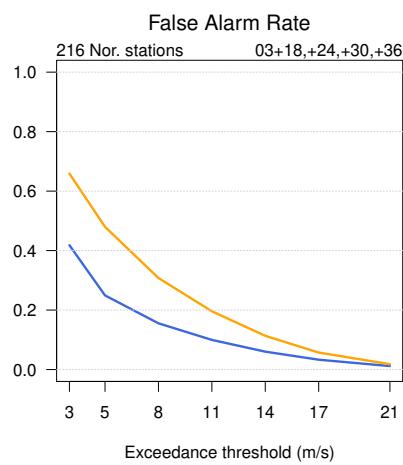
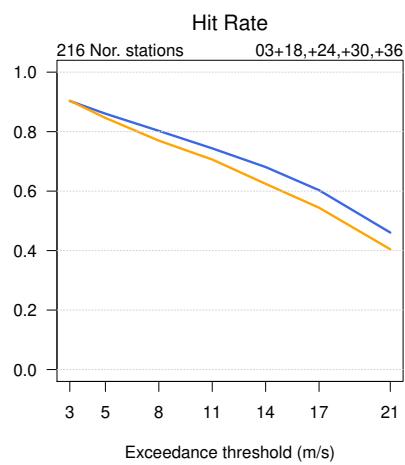
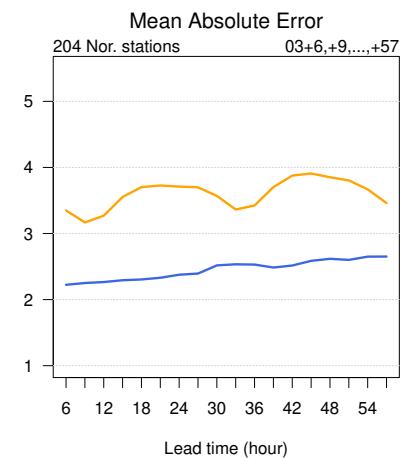
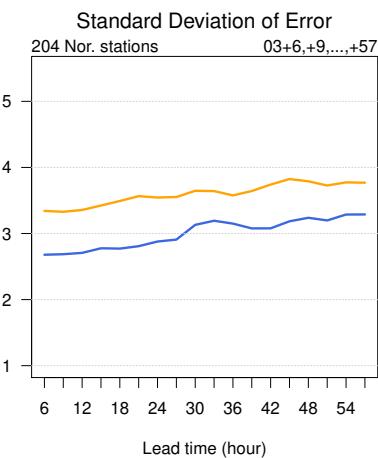
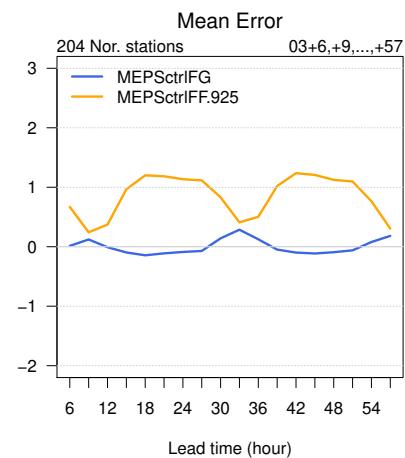


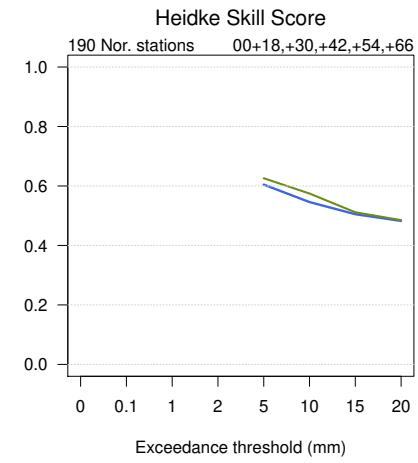
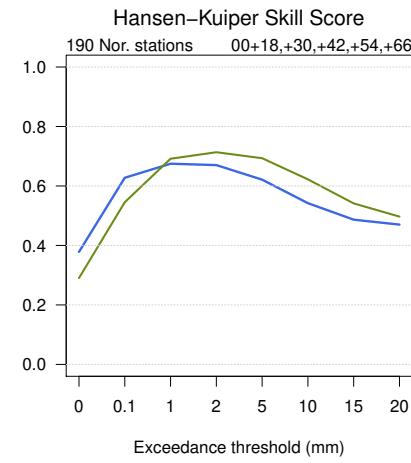
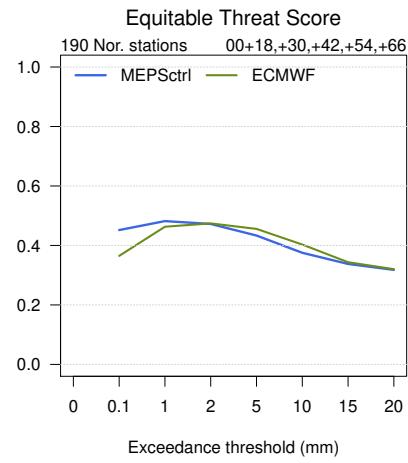
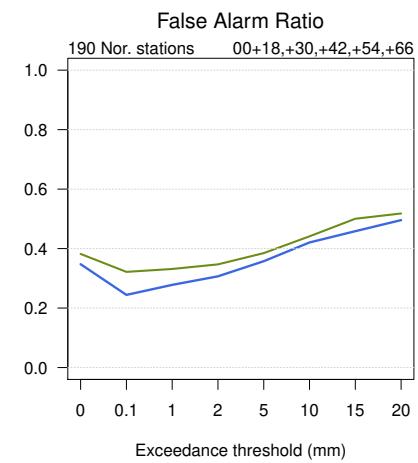
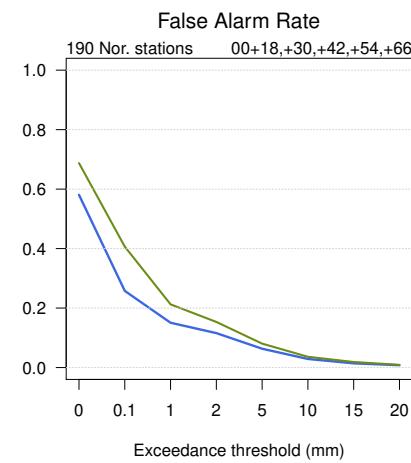
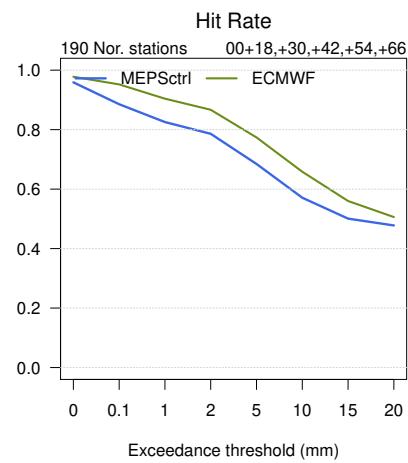
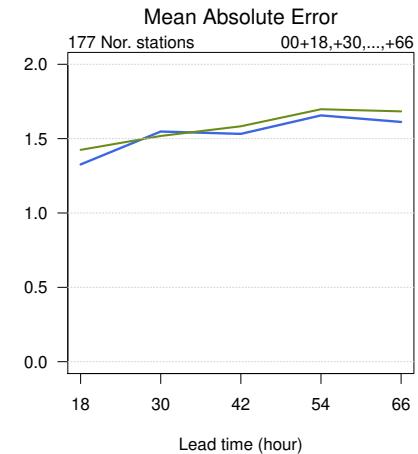
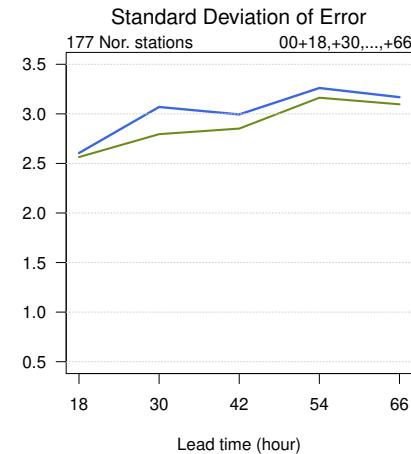
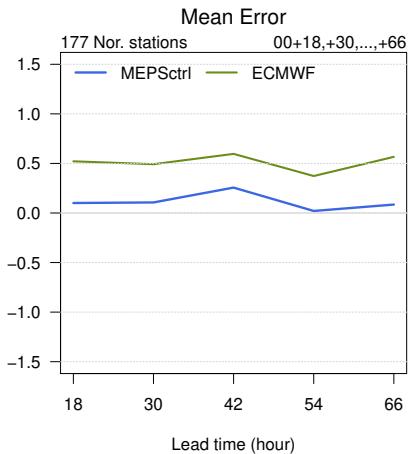
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	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N
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MEPSctrl: 12+18,+24,+30,+36	0.4	7.9	19.8	3.9	364
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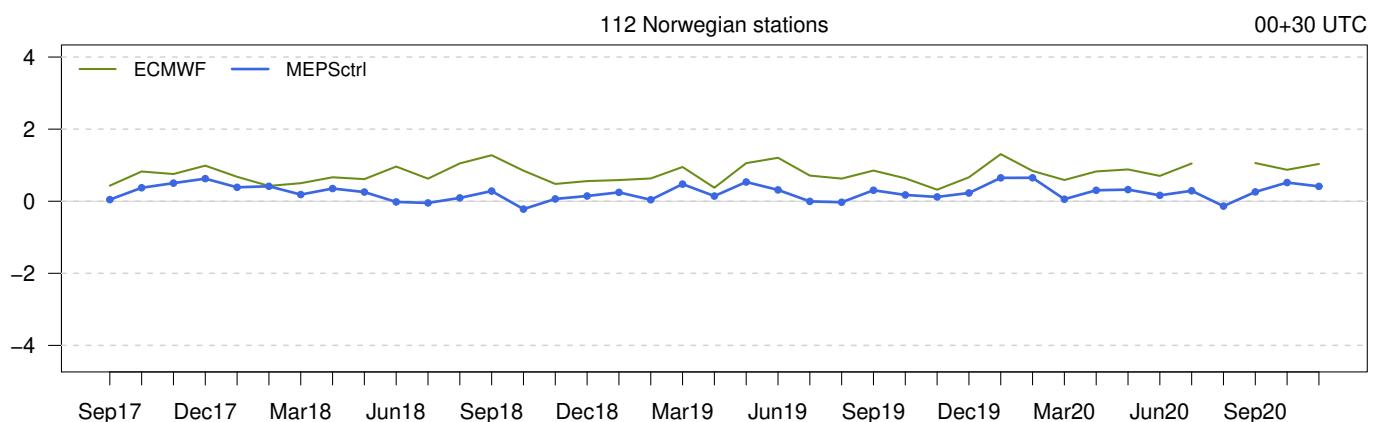
	ME	SDE	RMSE	MAE	Max.abs.err.	N
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ECMWF – synop	-0.9	1.7	2	1.6	6.8	333



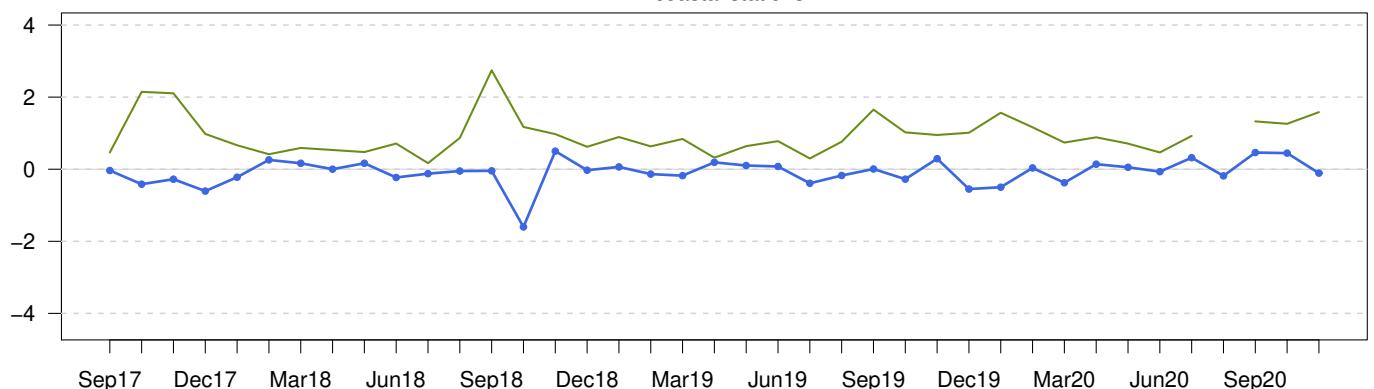




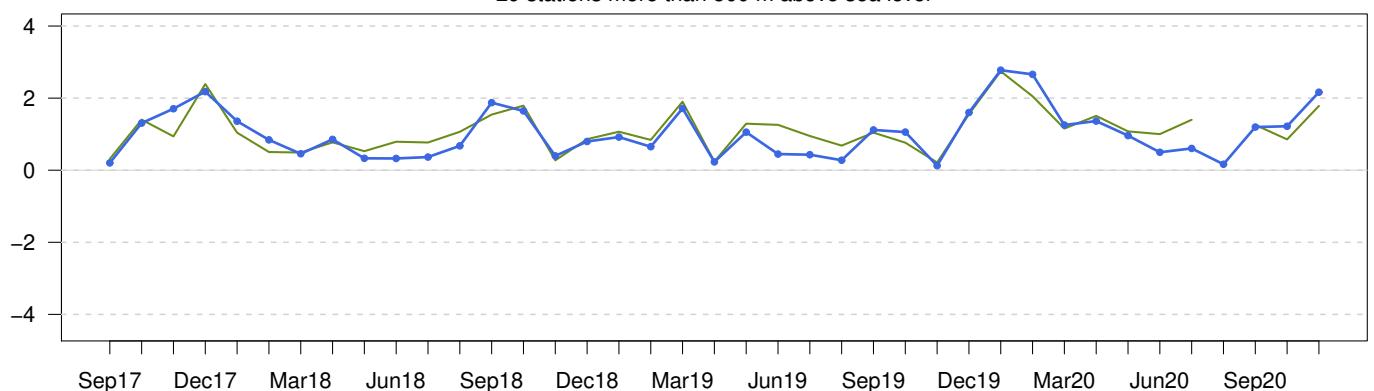
## Mean Error



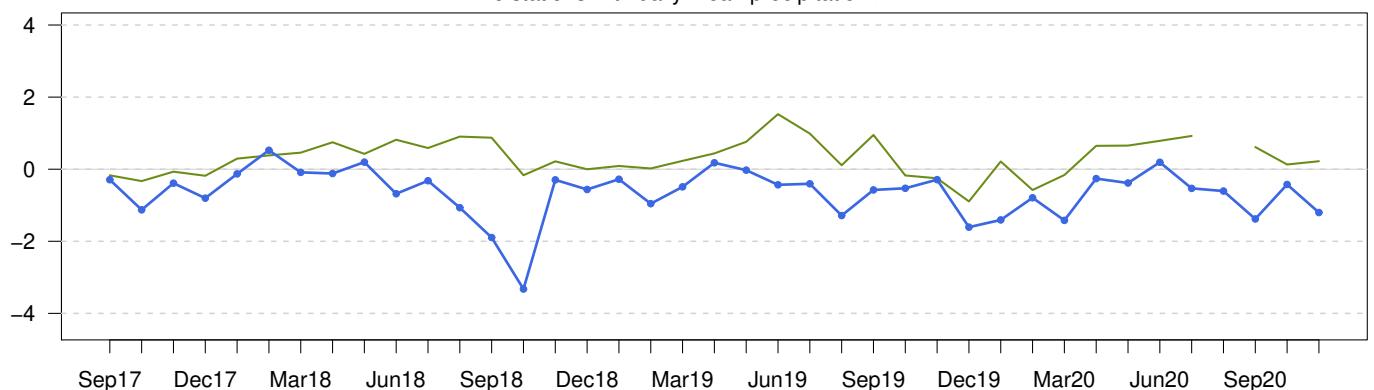
## 12 coastal stations



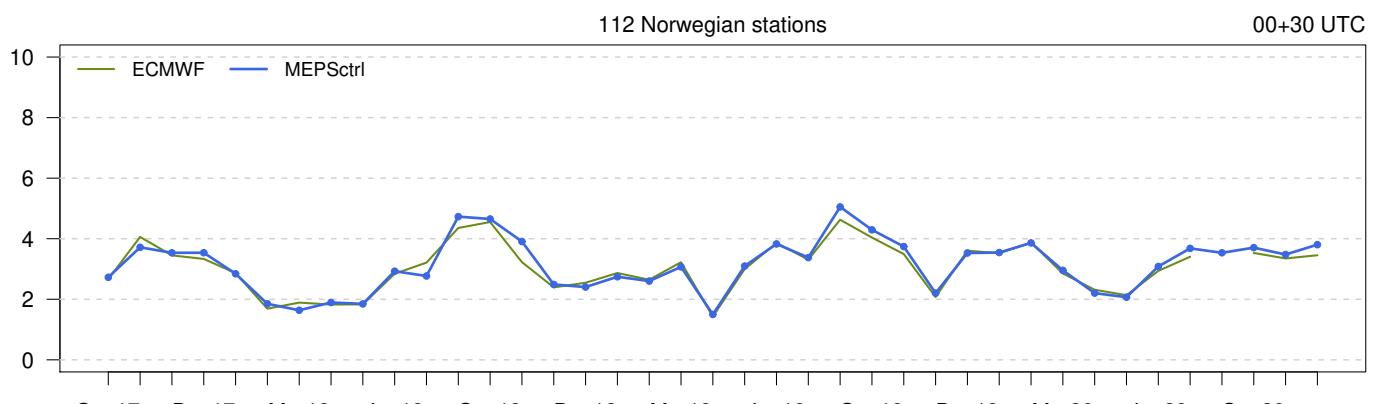
## 29 stations more than 500 m above sea level



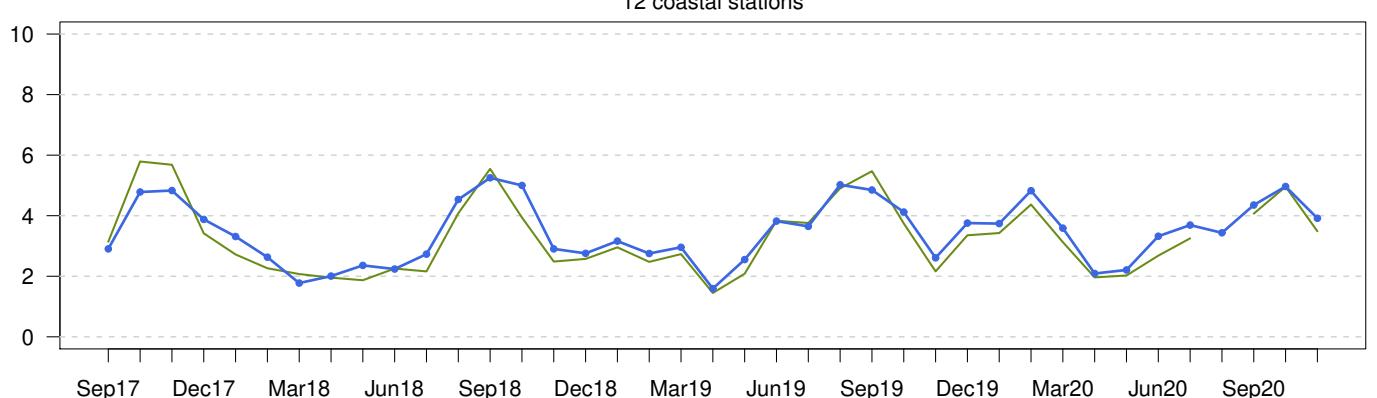
## 16 stations with daily mean precipitation &gt; 4 mm



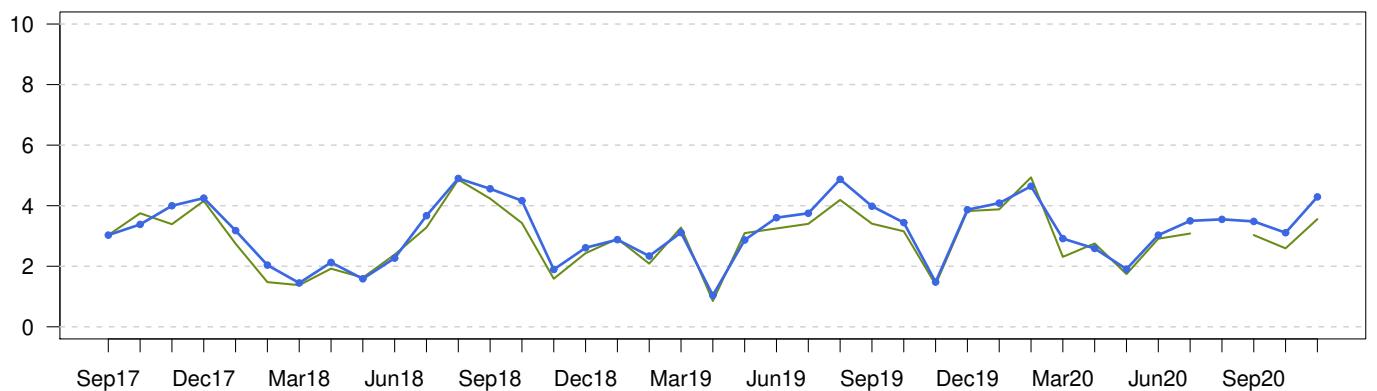
## Standard Deviation of Error



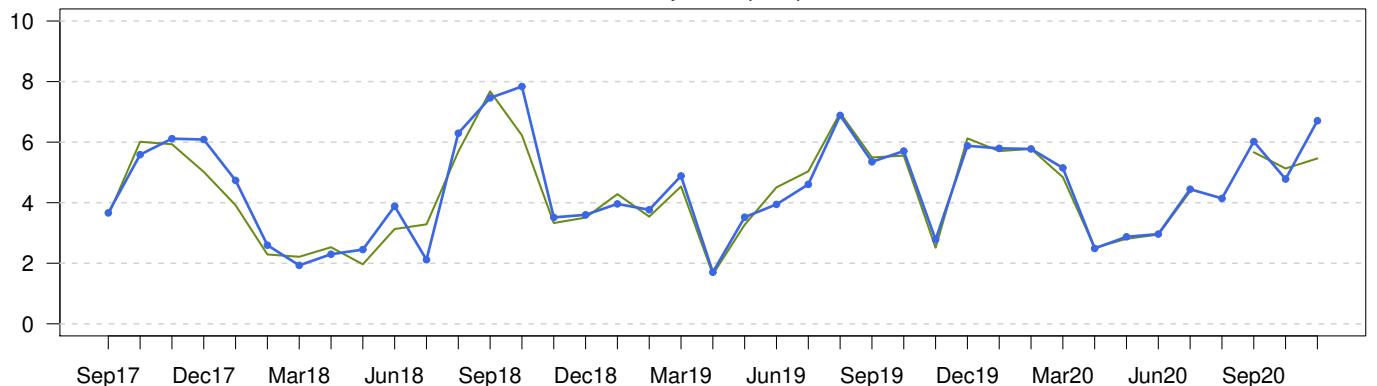
## 12 coastal stations



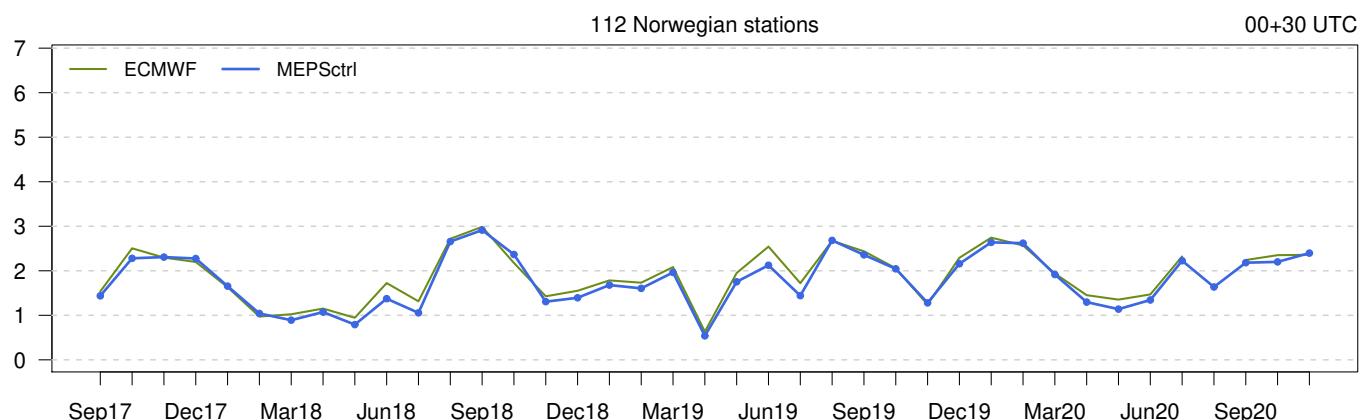
## 29 stations more than 500 m above sea level



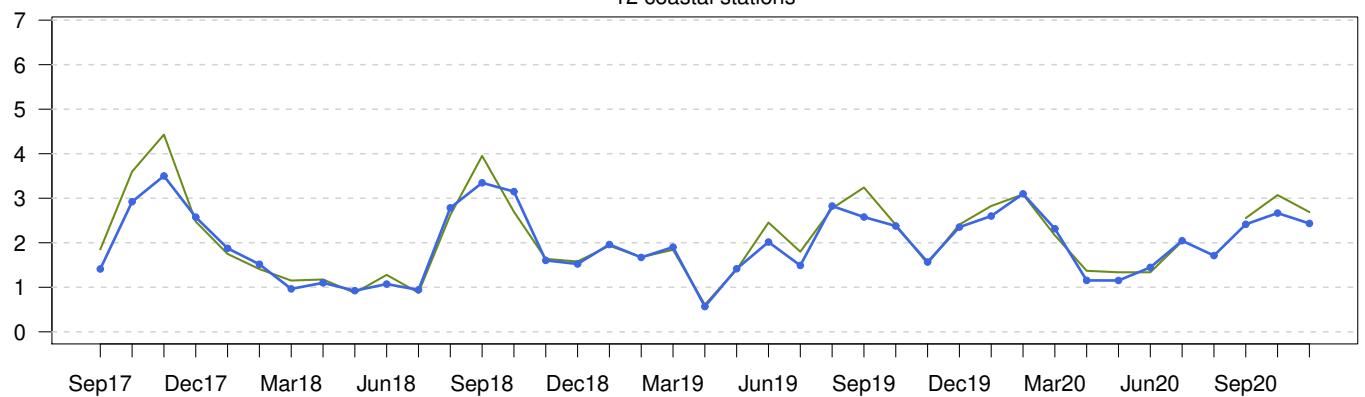
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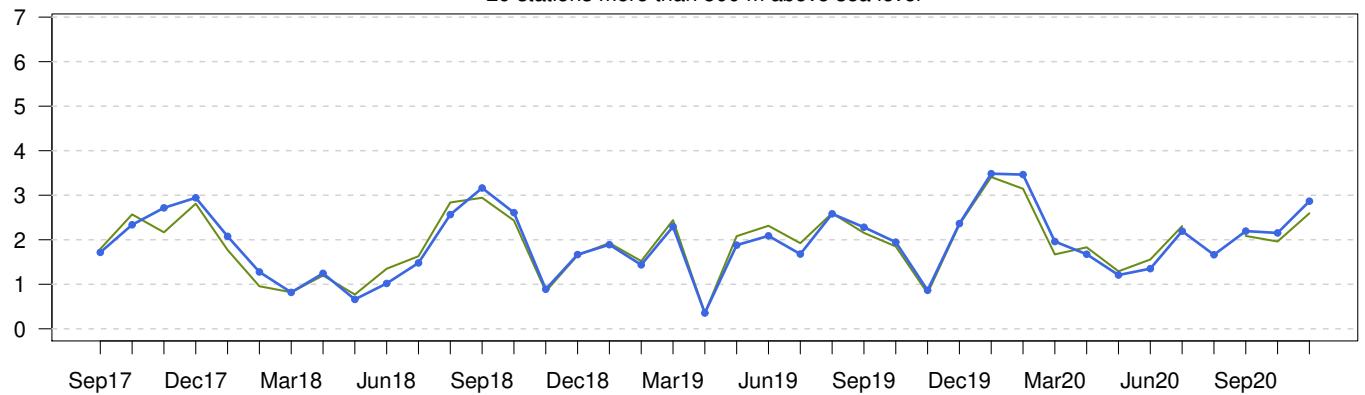
## Mean Absolute Error



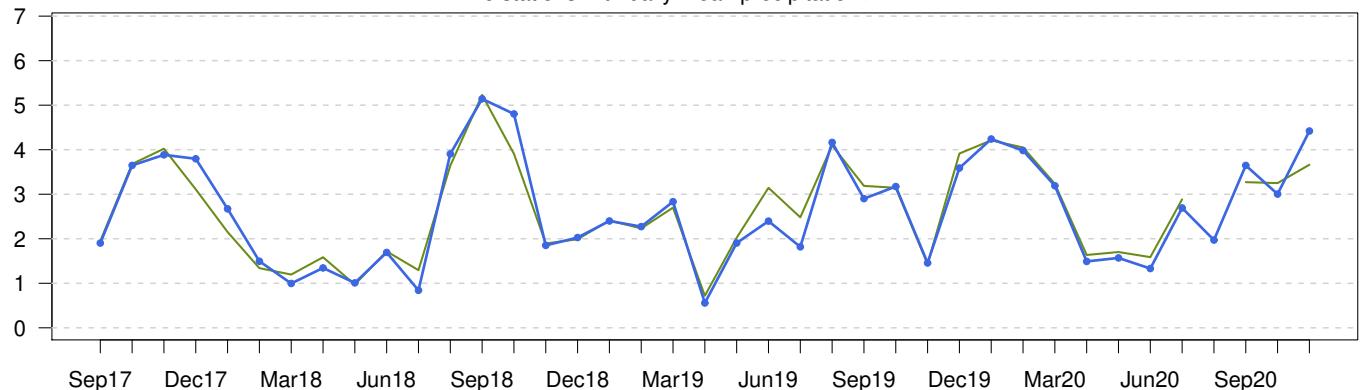
## 12 coastal stations



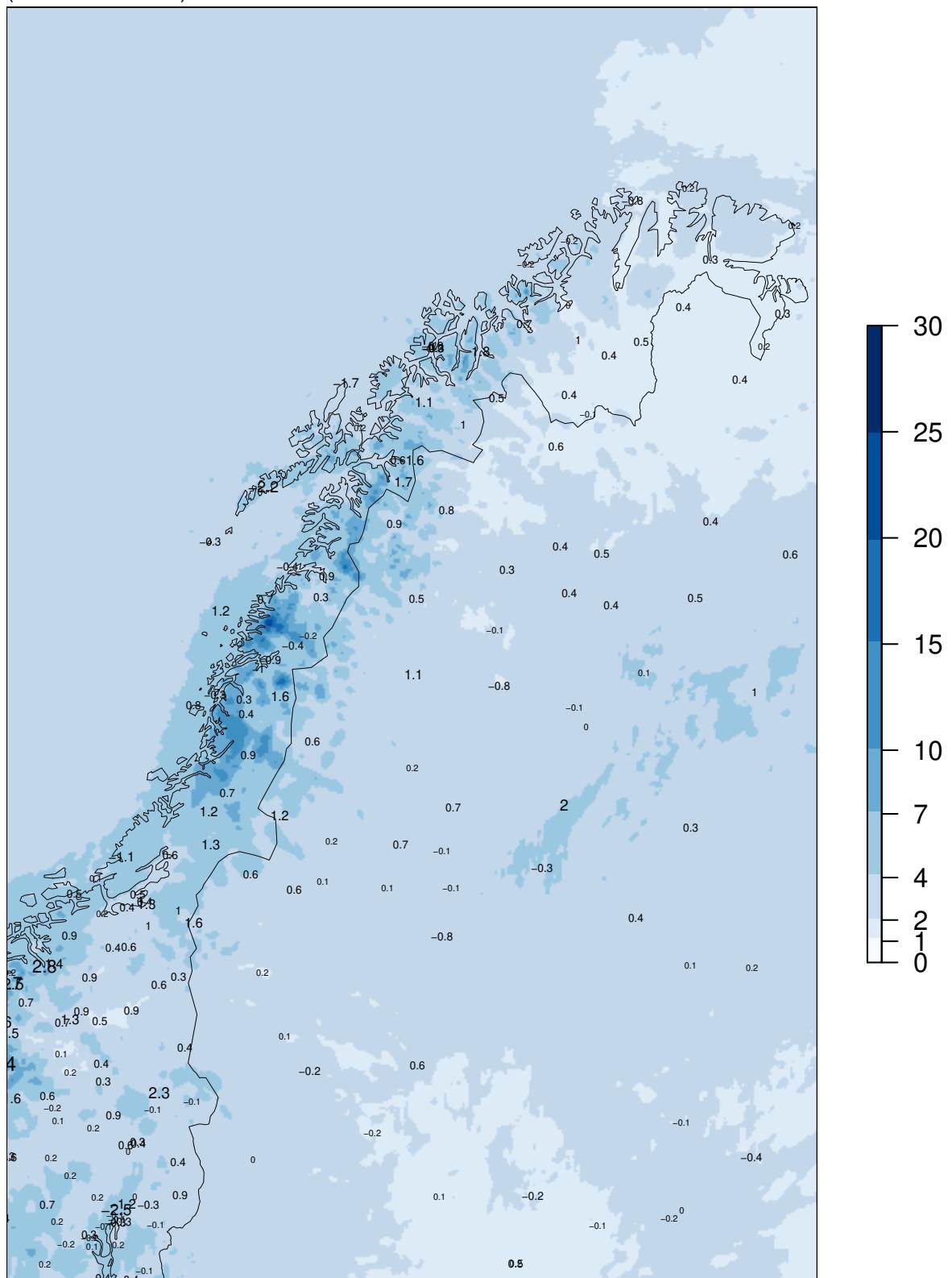
## 29 stations more than 500 m above sea level



## 16 stations with daily mean precipitation &gt; 4 mm

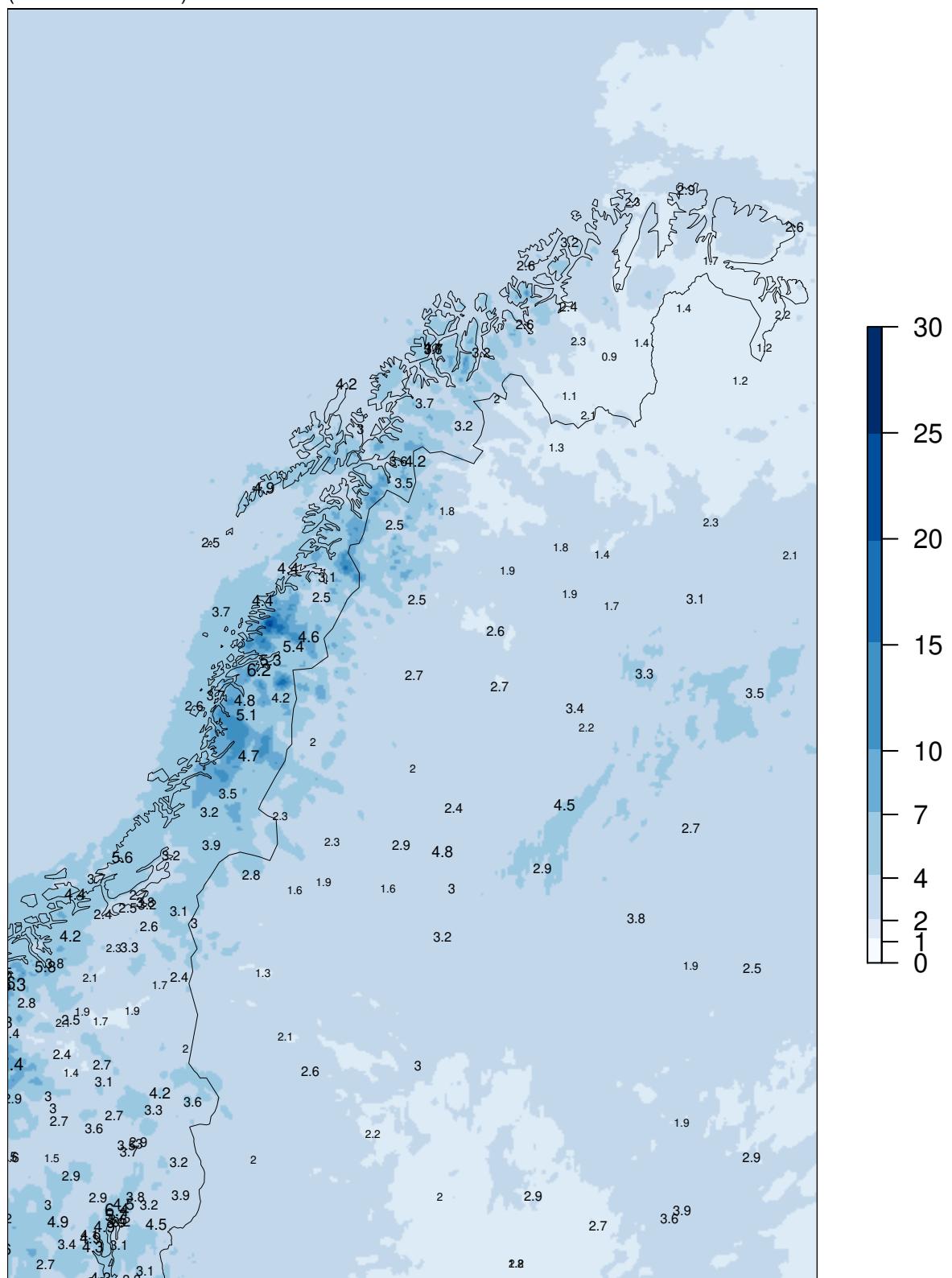


## MEPSctrl 00+30

ME at observing sites  
(numbers in black)

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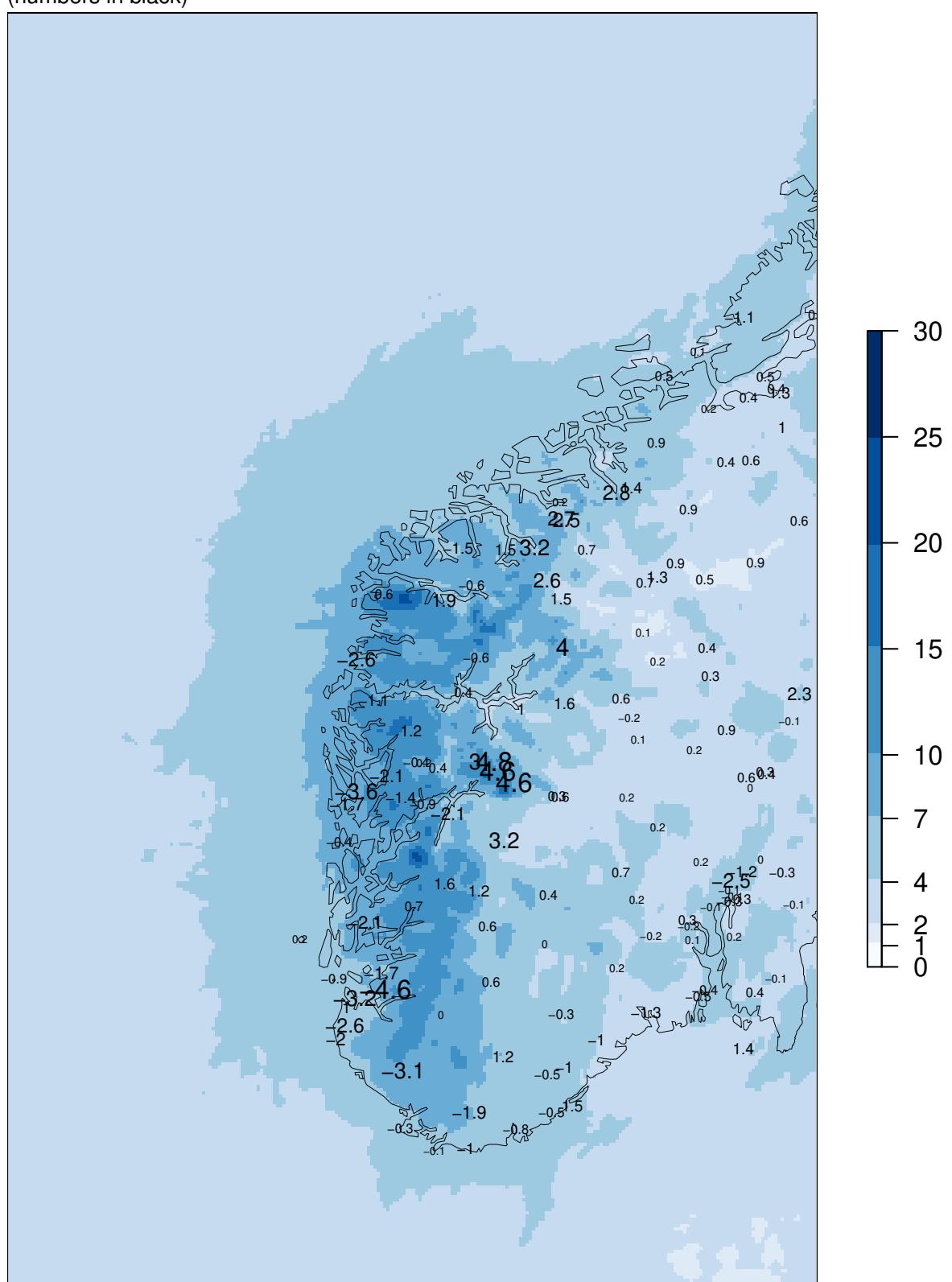
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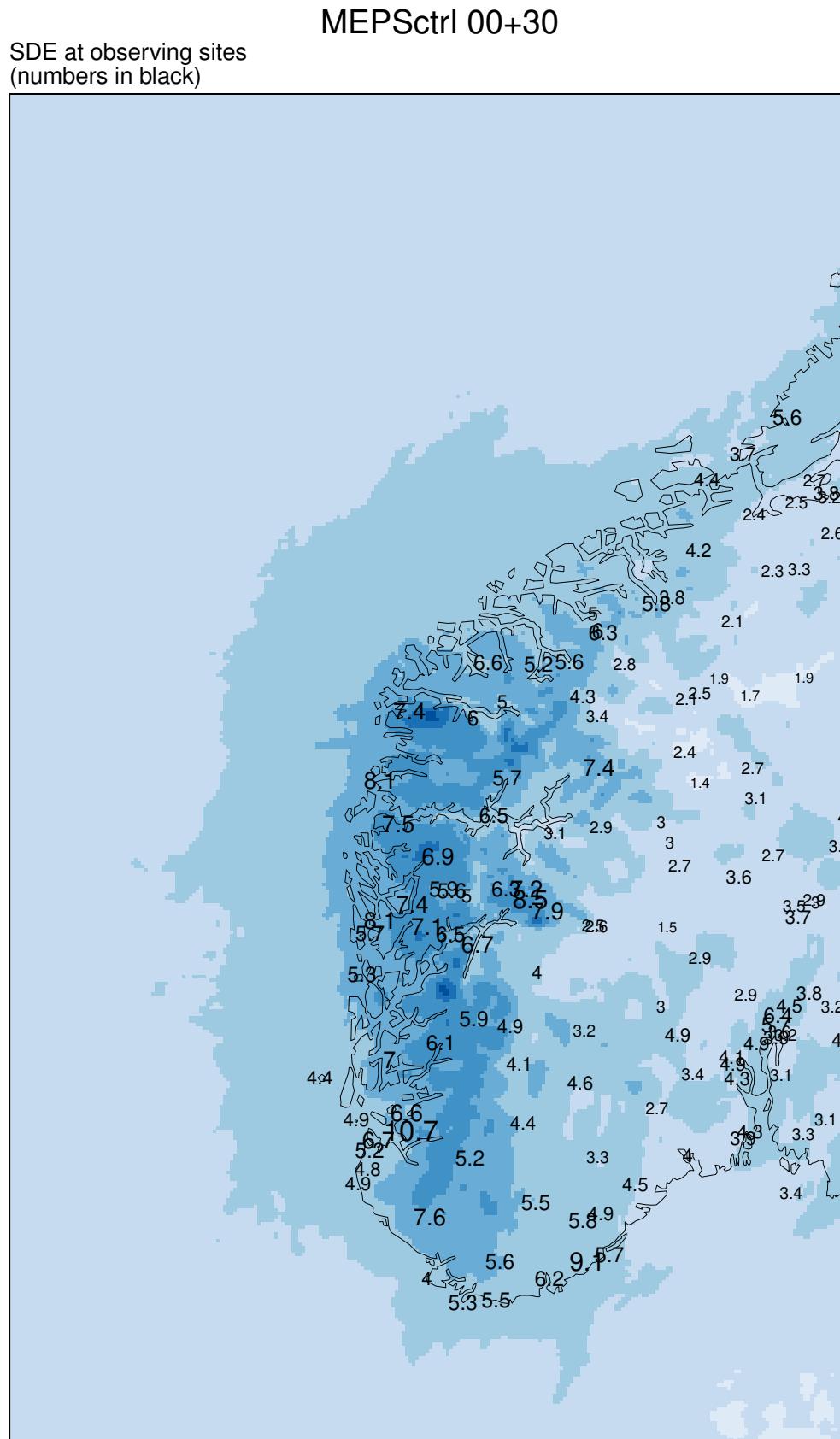


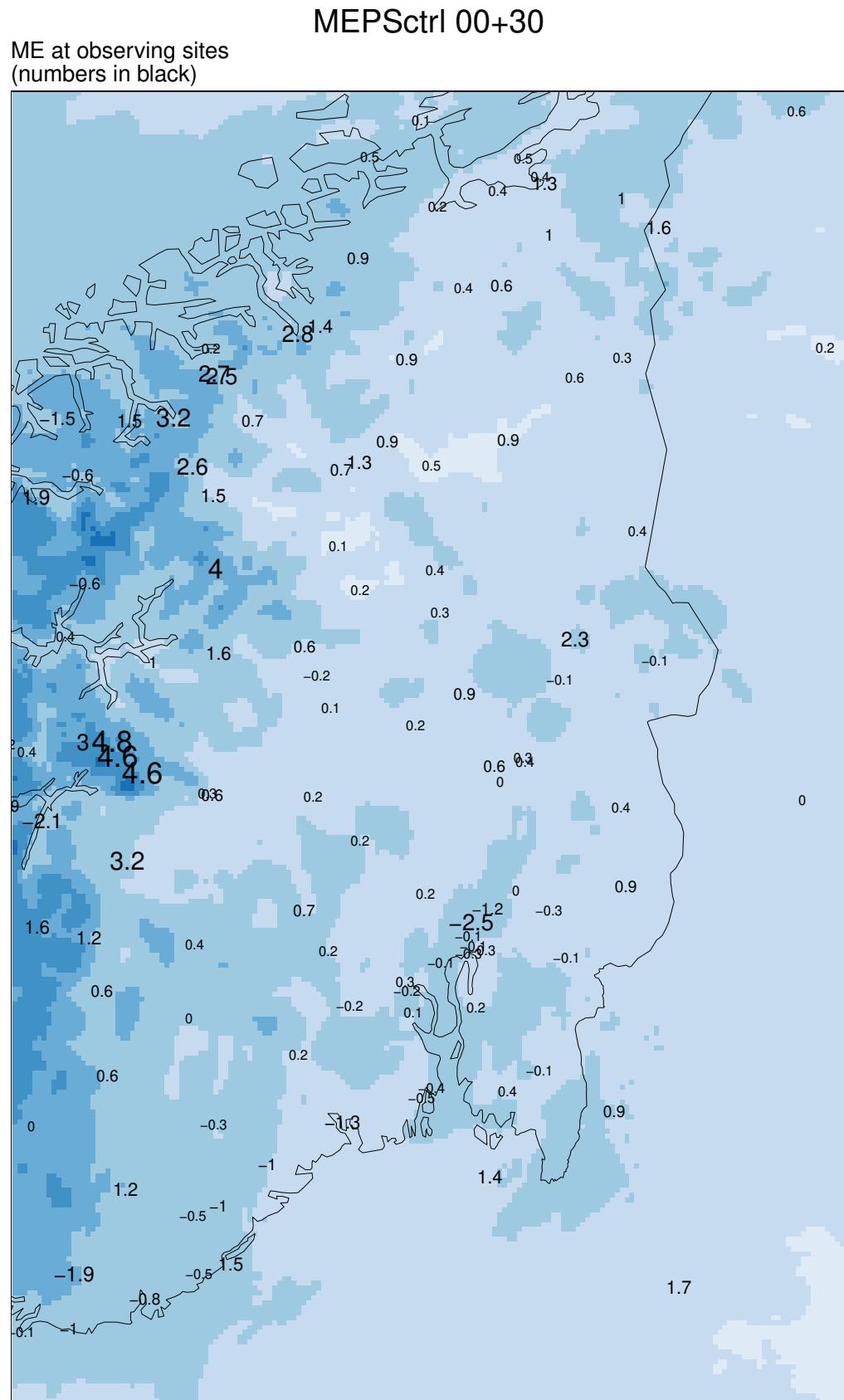
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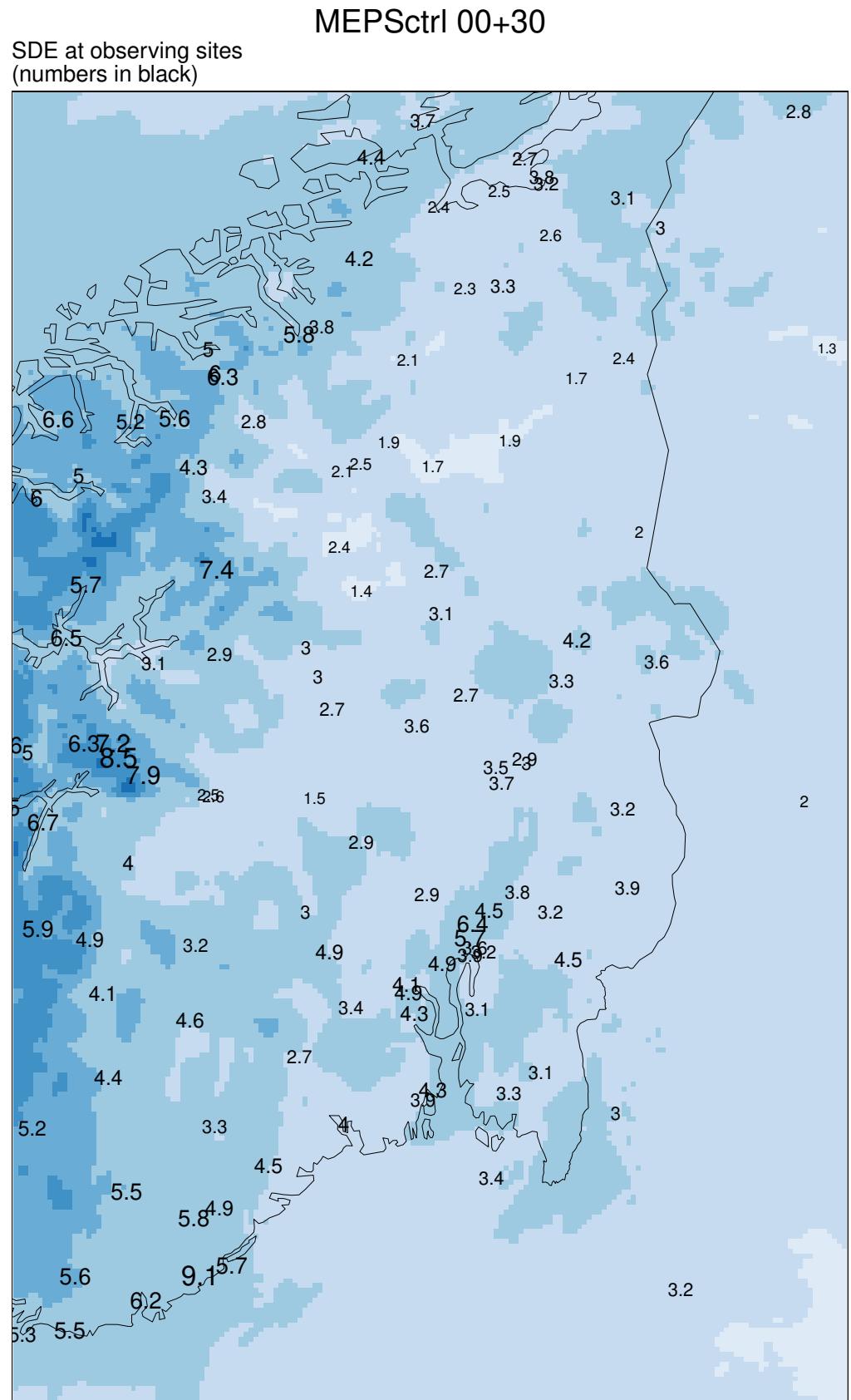
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ME at observing sites  
(numbers in black)

### MEPSctrl 00+30







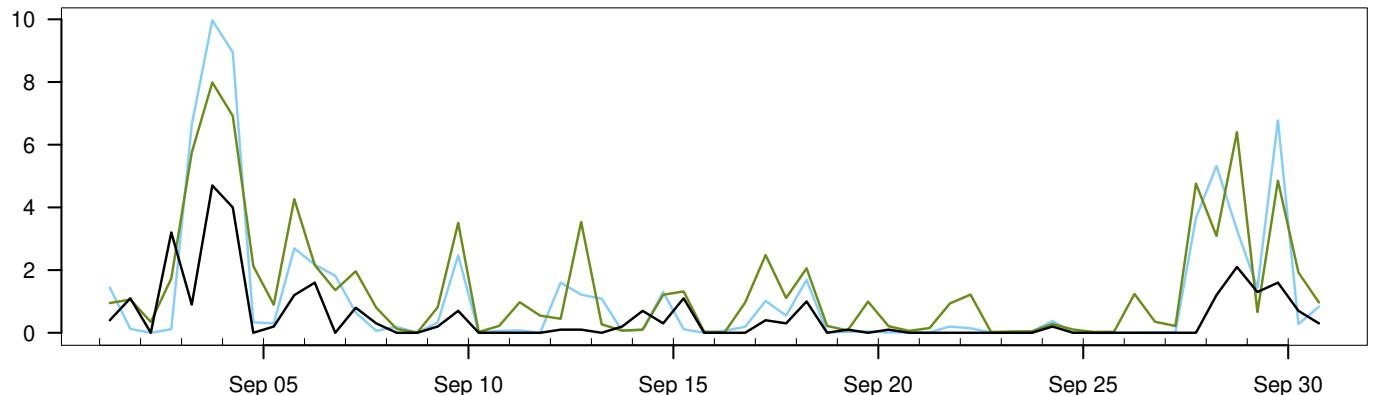


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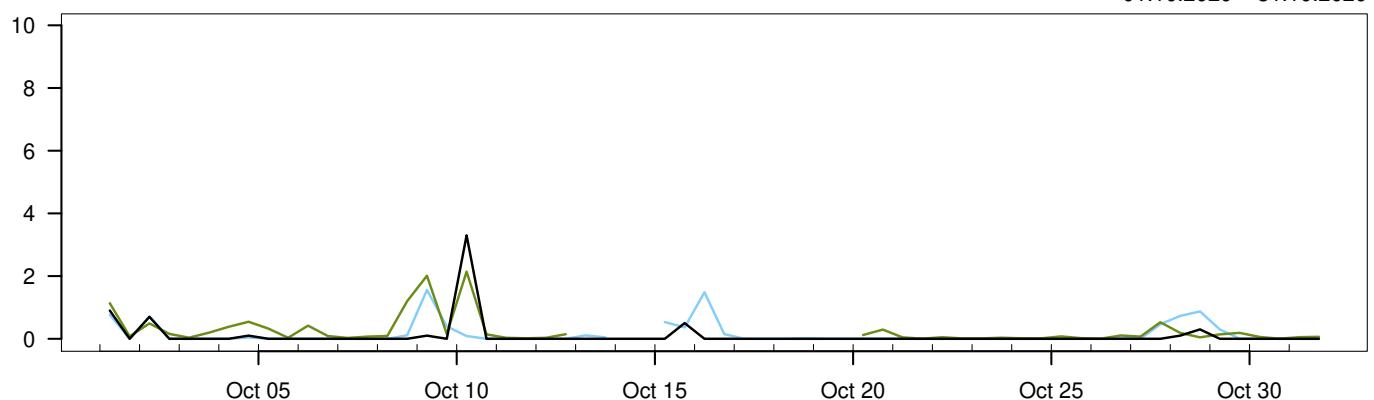
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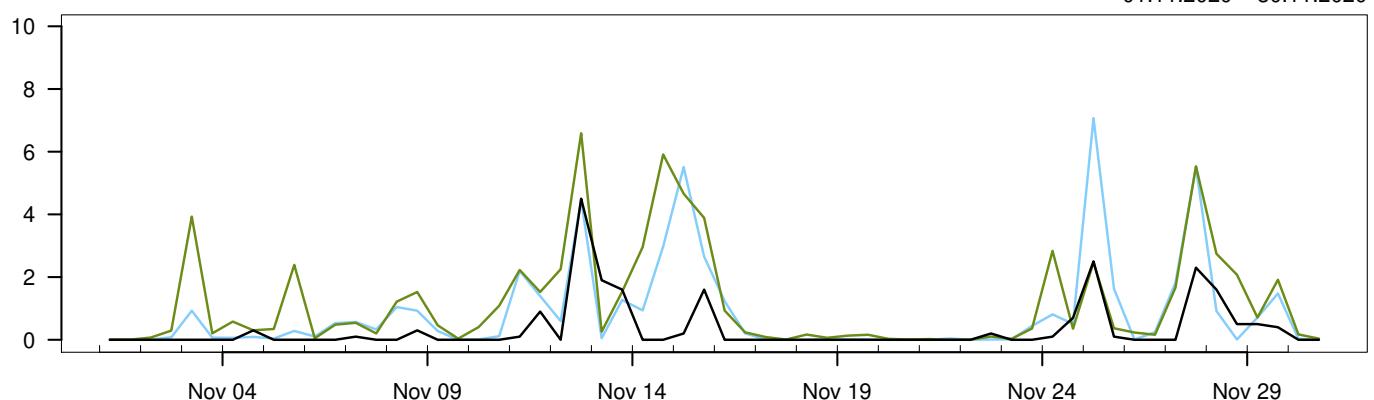
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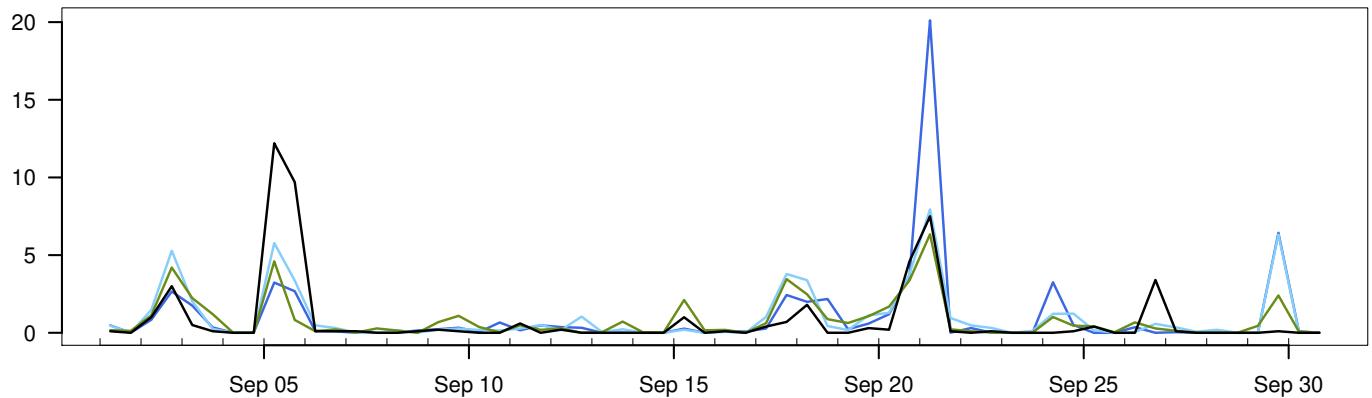
	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N	
synop: 06,18	0	0.3	4.7	0.8	182	
AA25: 12+18,+30	0	0.7	10	1.6	180	
ECMWF: 12+18,+30	0	1	8	1.6	168	
	ME	SDE	RMSE	MAE	Max.abs.err.	N
AA25 – synop	0.4	1.2	1.3	0.6	5.7	180
ECMWF – synop	0.7	1.2	1.4	0.7	5.9	168

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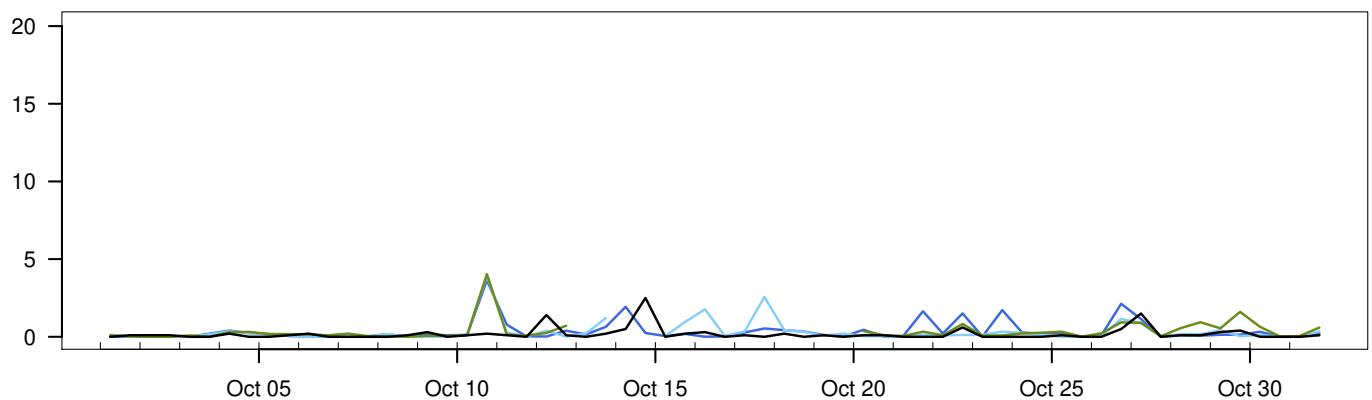
## 12 hour precipitation

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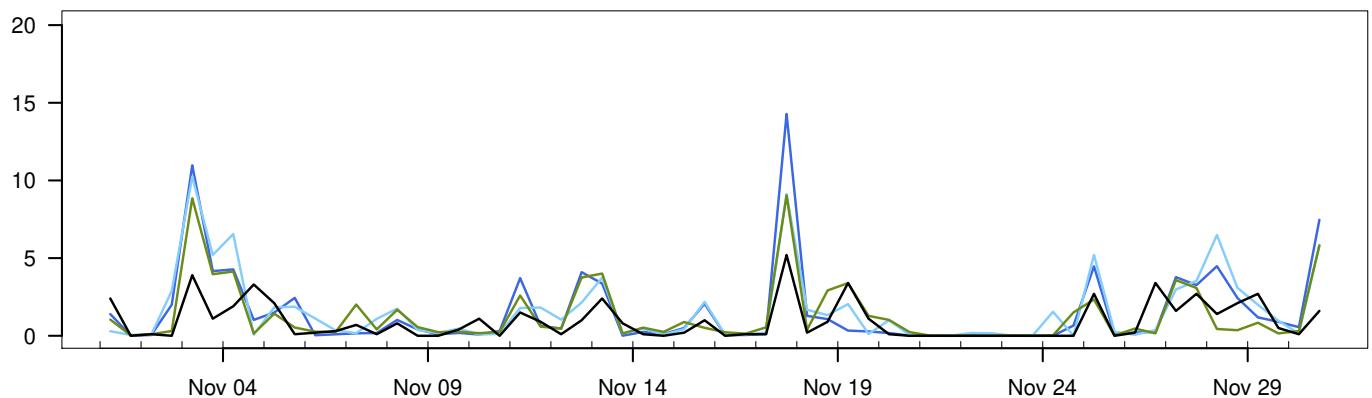
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	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N
synop: 06,18	0	0.6	12.2	1.5	182
MEPSctrl: 12+18,+30	0	1	20.1	2.3	182
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ECMWF: 12+18,+30	0	0.9	9	1.5	168

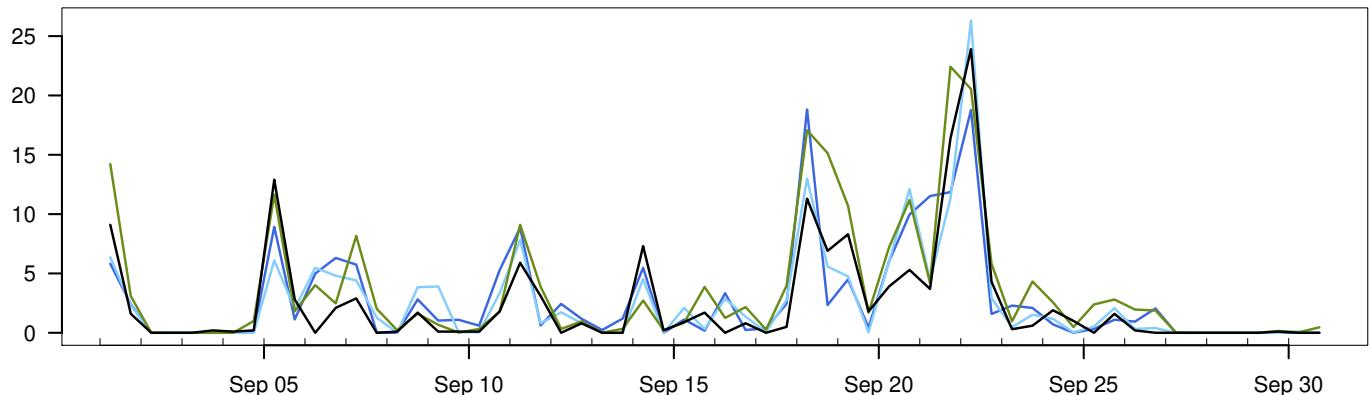
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AA25 – synop	0.3	1.4	1.5	0.7	6.4	180
ECMWF – synop	0.2	1.4	1.4	0.7	8.9	168

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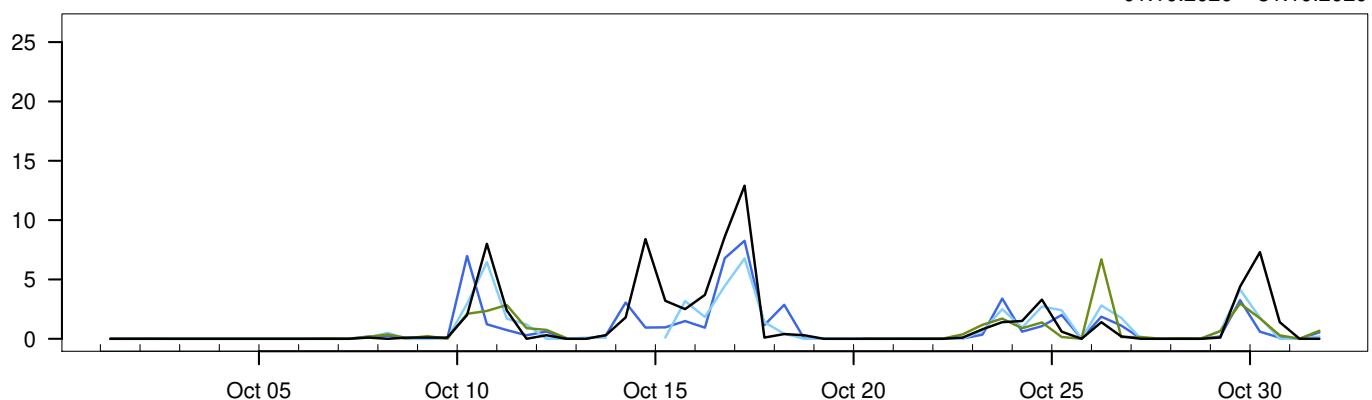
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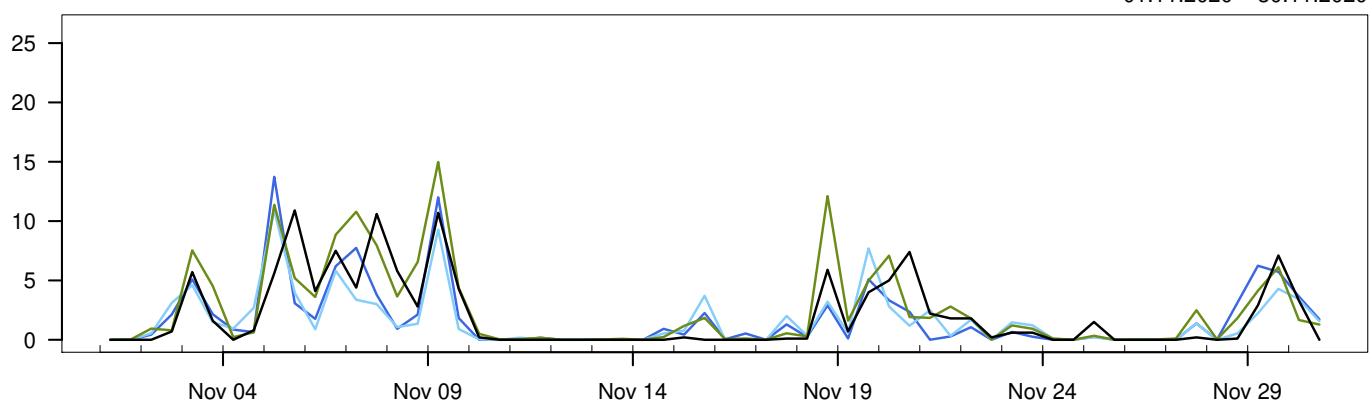
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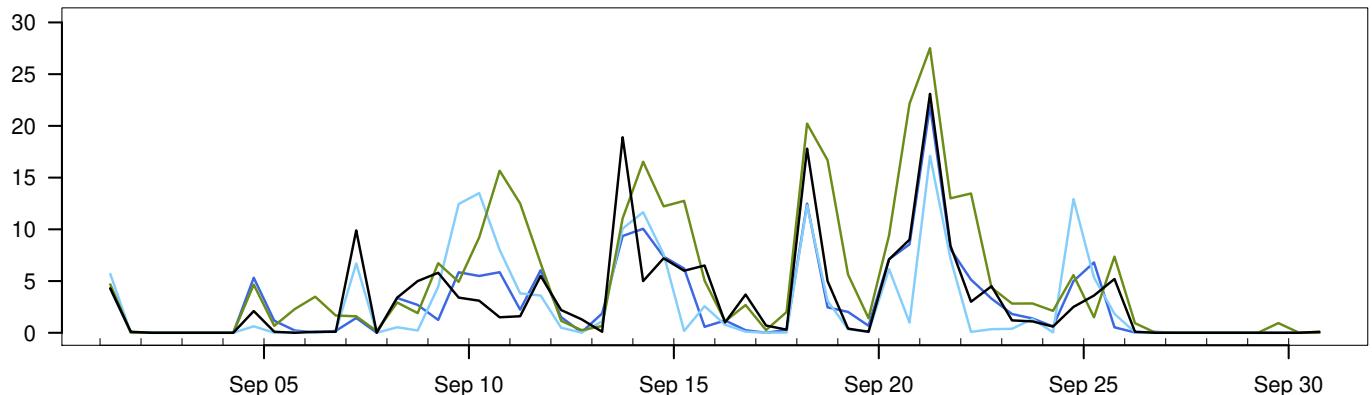
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AA25: 12+18,+30	0	1.7	26.3	3.1	180
ECMWF: 12+18,+30	0	2.4	22.4	4	168

	ME	SDE	RMSE	MAE	Max.abs.err.	N
MEPSctrl – synop	-0.1	2.3	2.3	1.3	8.1	182
AA25 – synop	-0.1	1.9	1.9	1.1	7.6	180
ECMWF – synop	0.5	2	2.1	1.1	8.2	168

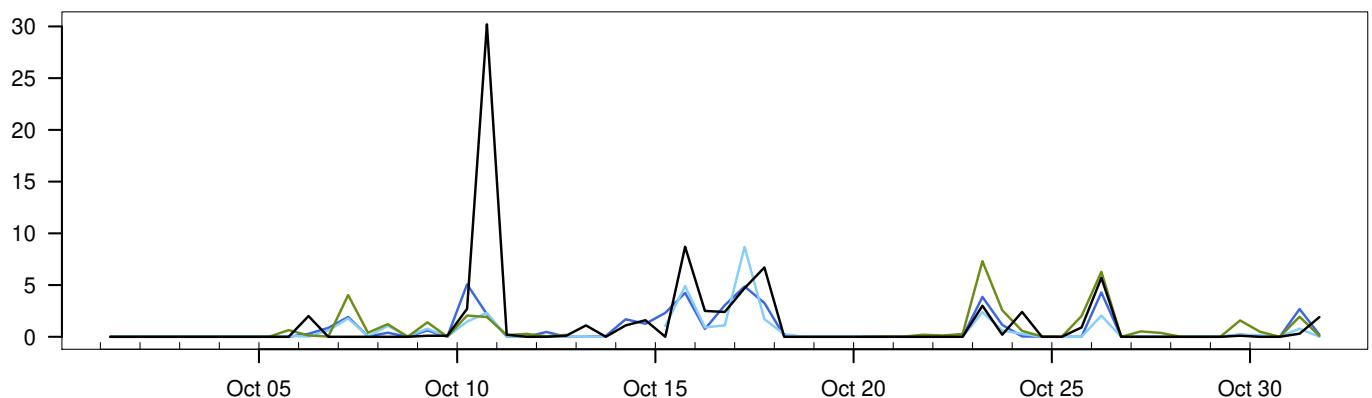
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**12 hour precipitation****BODØ VI**

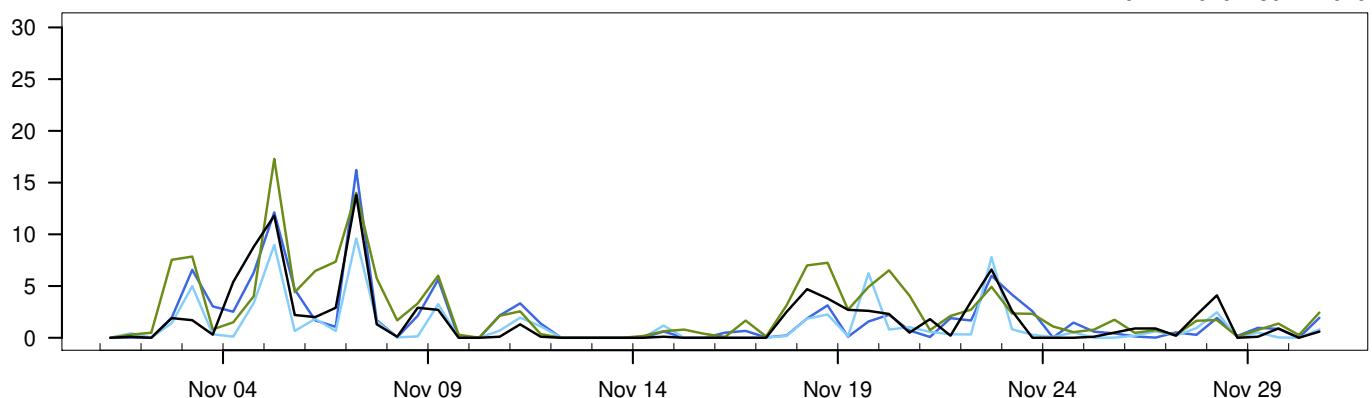
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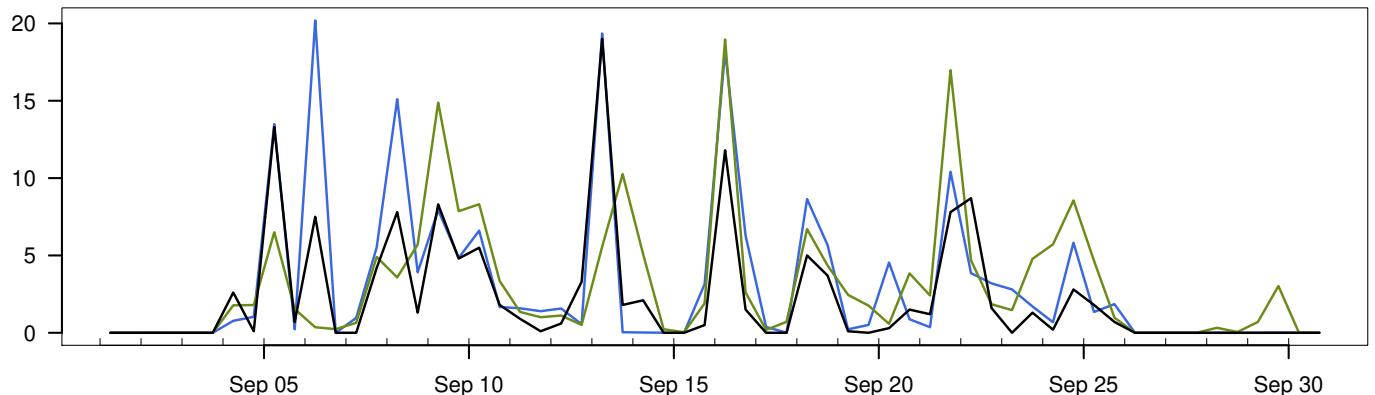
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MEPSctrl: 12+18,+30	0	1.8	21.9	3.1	182
AA25: 12+18,+30	0	1.5	17.1	3	180
ECMWF: 12+18,+30	0	3	27.5	4.7	168

	ME	SDE	RMSE	MAE	Max.abs.err.	N
MEPSctrl – synop	-0.3	2.8	2.8	1.2	28	182
AA25 – synop	-0.6	3.1	3.2	1.4	27.9	180
ECMWF – synop	0.9	3.7	3.8	1.9	28.3	168

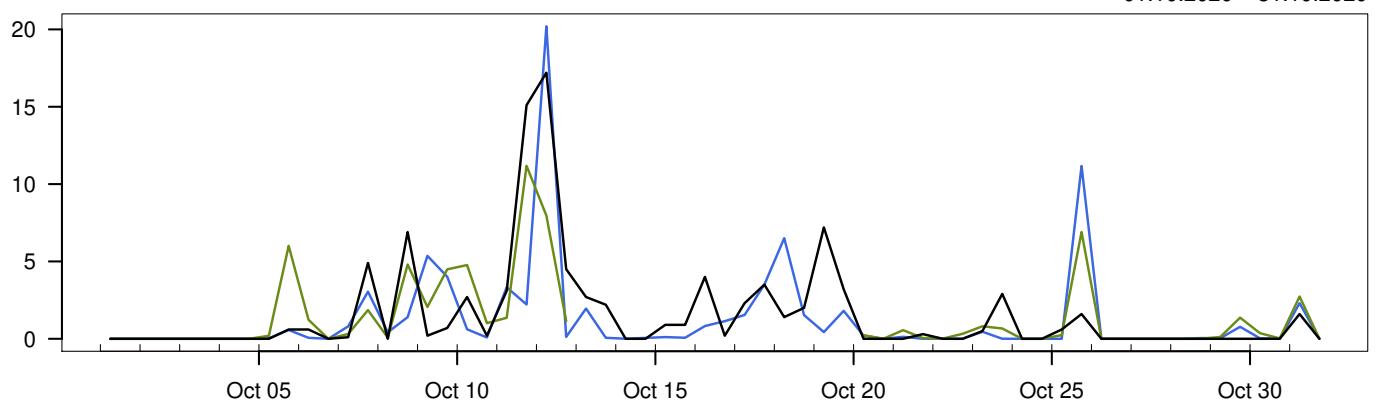
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**12 hour precipitation****ØRLAND III**

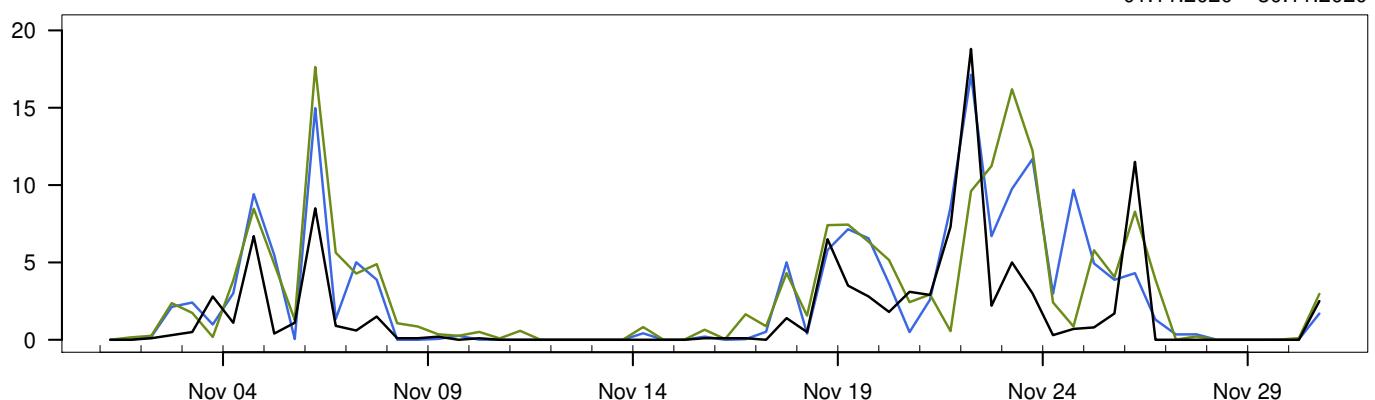
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01.11.2020 – 30.11.2020



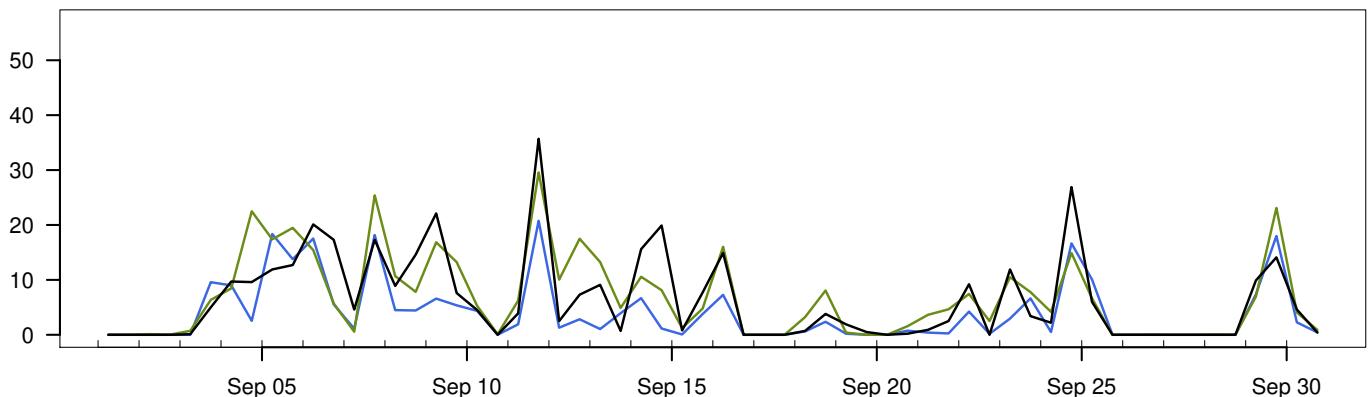
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	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N	
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MEPSctrl: 12+18,+30	0	2.4	20.2	4.2	182	
ECMWF: 12+18,+30	0	2.6	19	3.8	168	
	ME	SDE	RMSE	MAE	Max.abs.err.	N
MEPSctrl – synop	0.5	2.7	2.7	1.4	12.9	182
ECMWF – synop	0.8	3.1	3.2	1.8	13.4	168

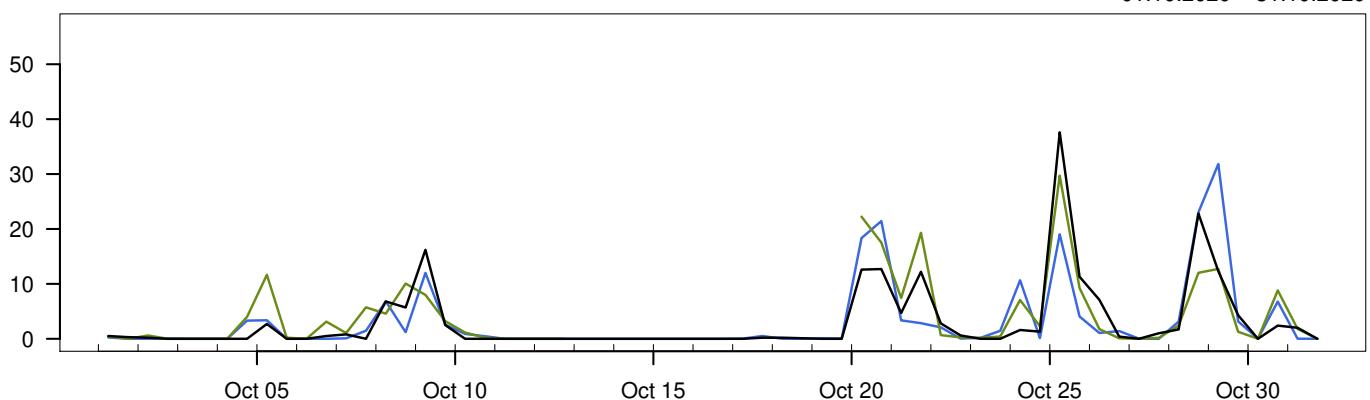
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**12 hour precipitation****BERGEN – FLORIDA**

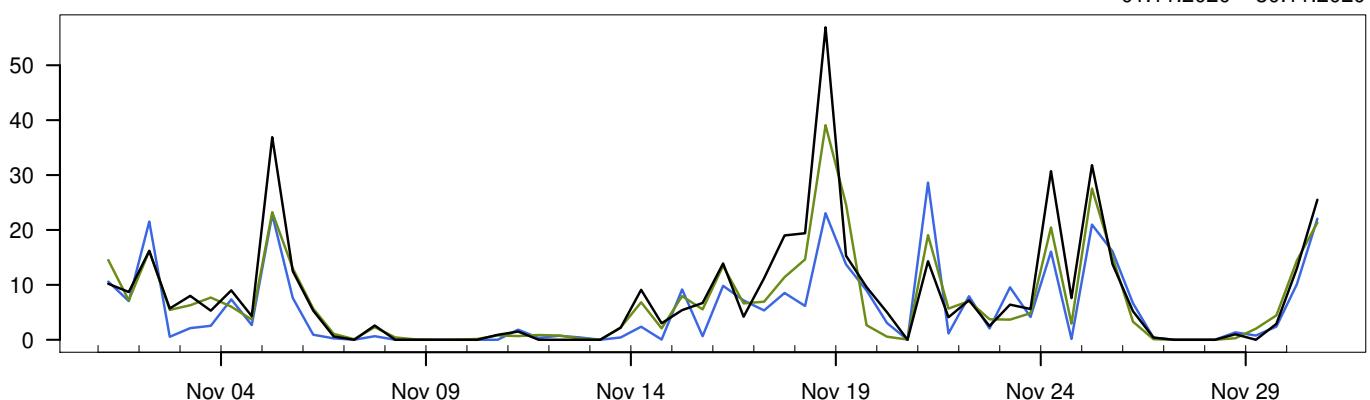
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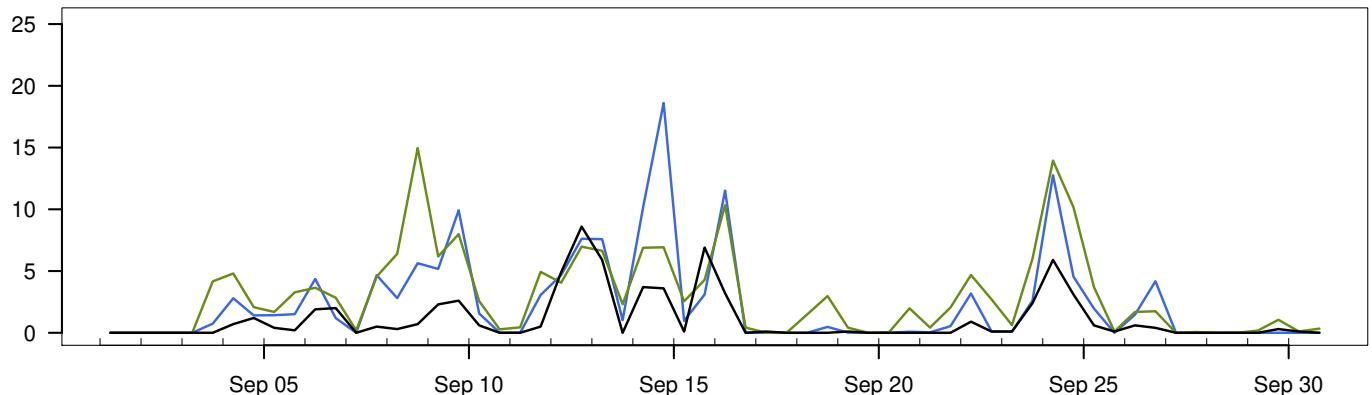
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ECMWF: 12+18,+30	0	6.2	39.1	7.6	168

	ME	SDE	RMSE	MAE	Max.abs.err.	N
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ECMWF – synop	-0.1	4.3	4.3	2.6	17.8	168

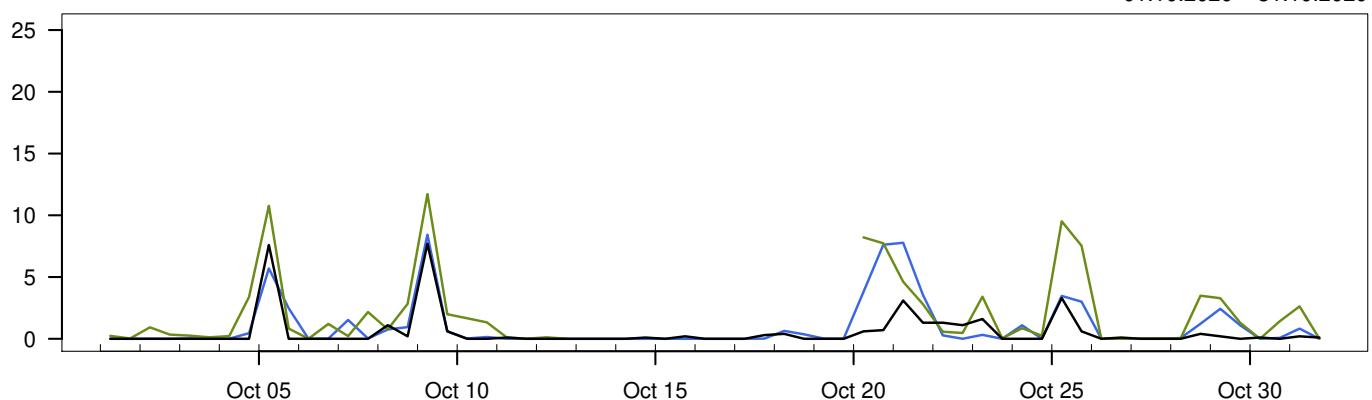
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**12 hour precipitation****LÆRDAL IV**

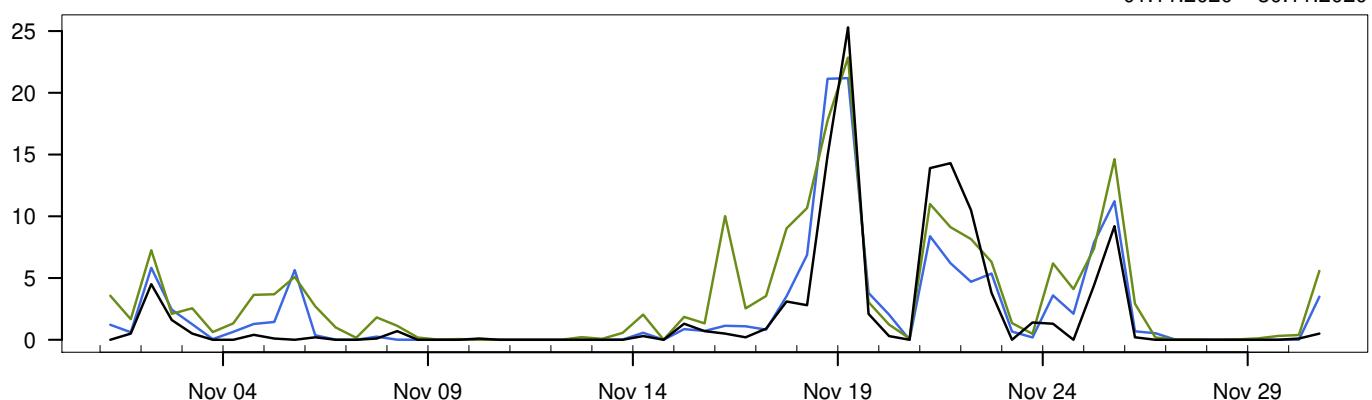
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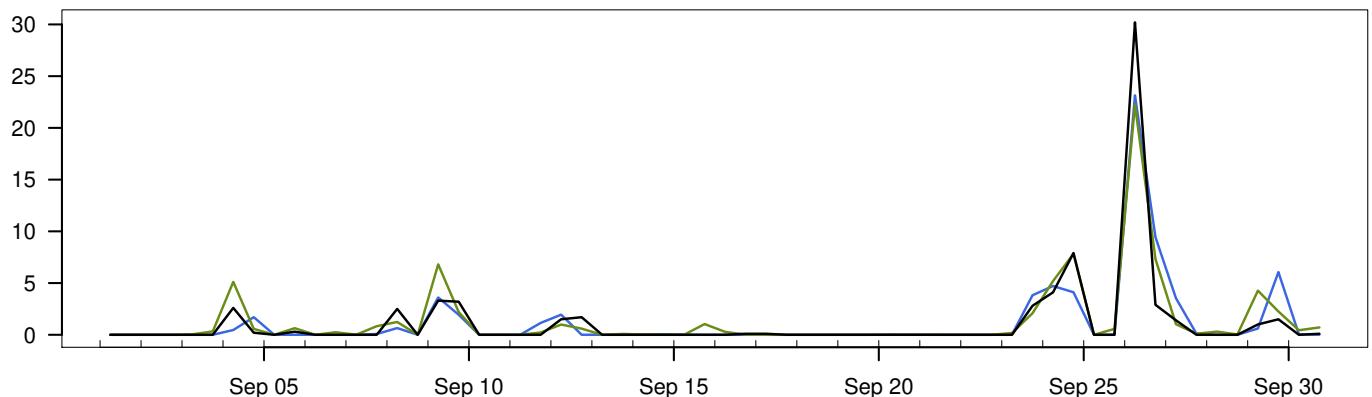
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ECMWF: 12+18,+30	0	2.9	22.9	3.9	168

	ME	SDE	RMSE	MAE	Max.abs.err.	N
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ECMWF – synop	1.6	2.4	2.9	1.8	14.3	168

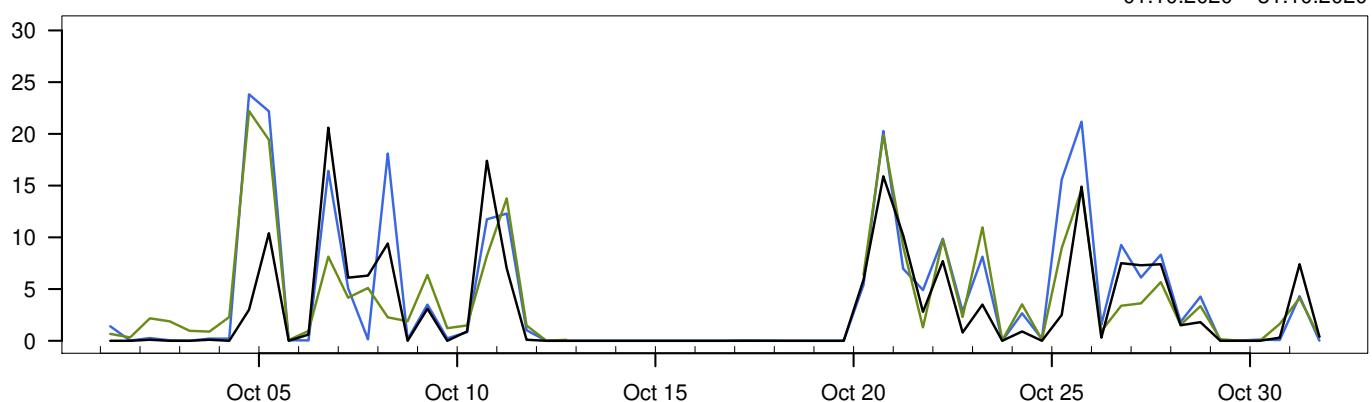
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**12 hour precipitation****GARDERMOEN**

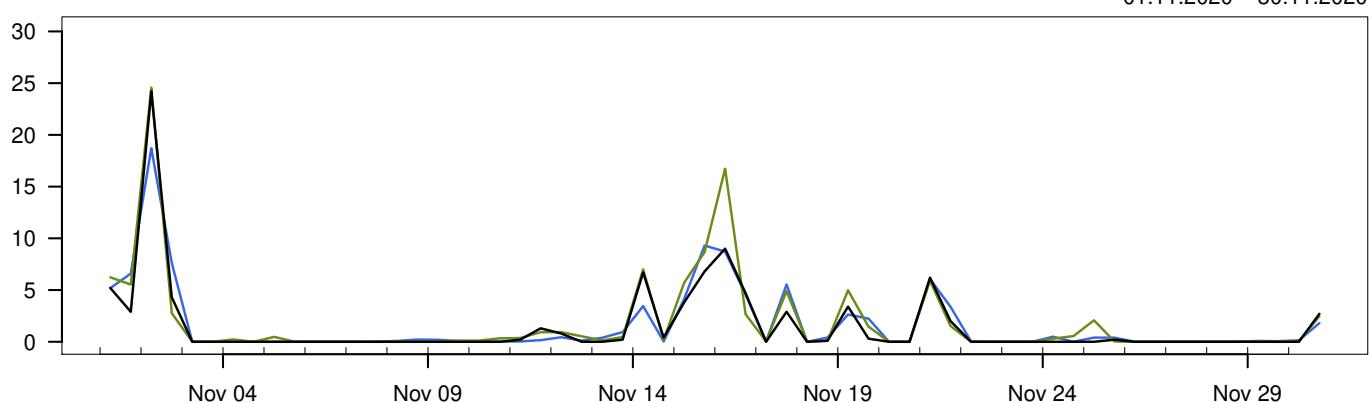
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01.10.2020 – 31.10.2020



01.11.2020 – 30.11.2020



01.09.2020 – 30.11.2020

	Min	Mean	Max	Std	N
synop: 06,18	0	1.9	30.2	4.3	182
MEPSctrl: 12+18,+30	0	2.3	23.8	4.8	182
ECMWF: 12+18,+30	0	2.4	24.6	4.6	168

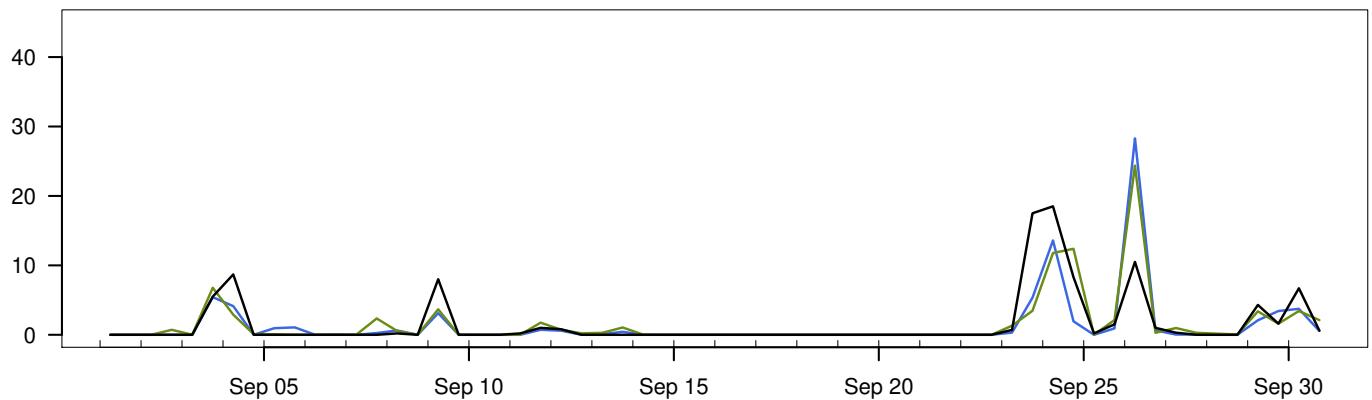
	ME	SDE	RMSE	MAE	Max.abs.err.	N
MEPSctrl – synop	0.4	2.7	2.7	1	20.8	182
ECMWF – synop	0.4	2.7	2.7	1.2	19.2	168

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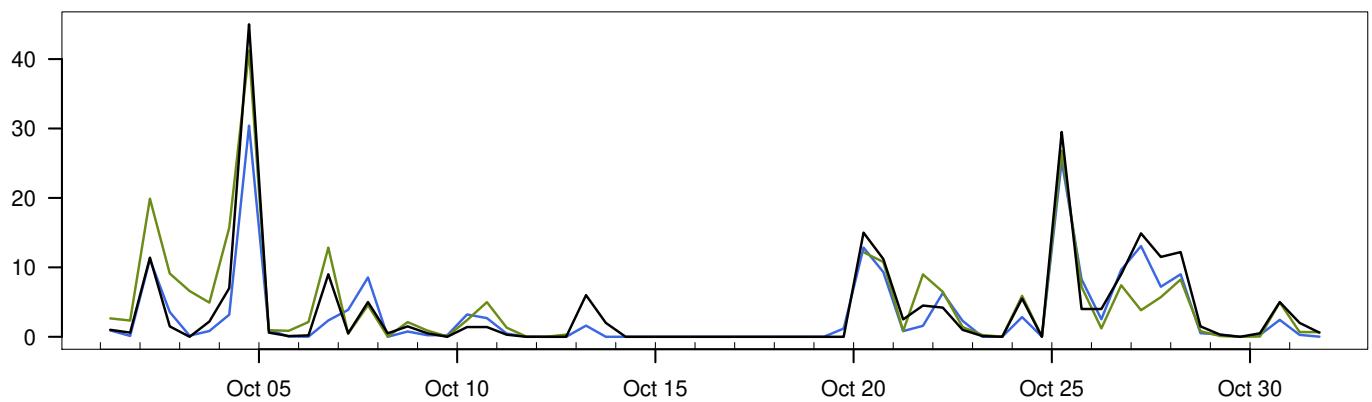
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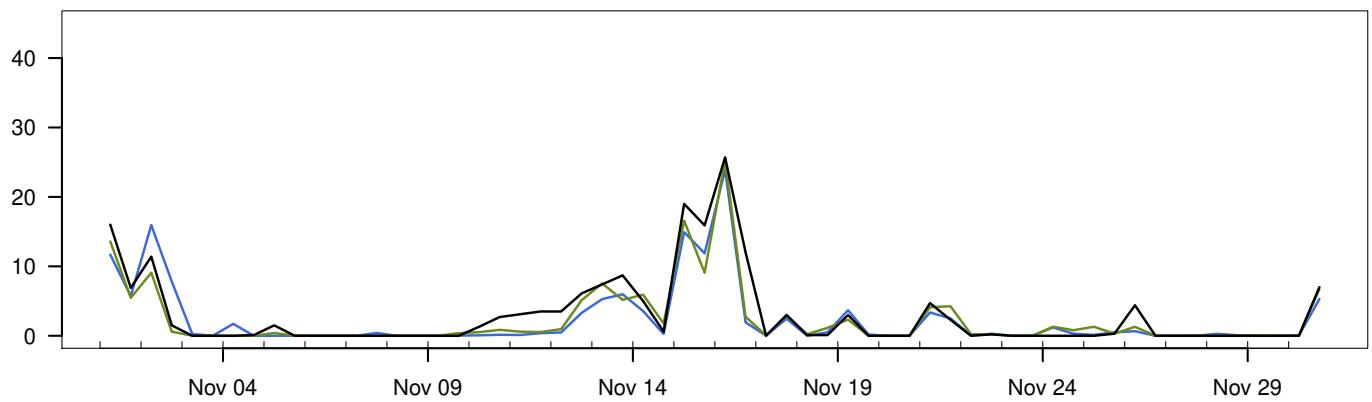
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ECMWF: 12+18,+30	0	2.9	41.2	5.6	168

	ME	SDE	RMSE	MAE	Max.abs.err.	N
MEPSctrl – synop	-0.6	2.7	2.7	1.3	17.8	182
ECMWF – synop	-0.1	2.8	2.8	1.3	14	168