A dramatic landscape photograph showing a field of green grass in the foreground, leading to a dark, stormy sky filled with heavy clouds. A bright, horizontal band of light, possibly from the sun or moon, cuts through the clouds, creating a stark contrast. The overall mood is somber and atmospheric.

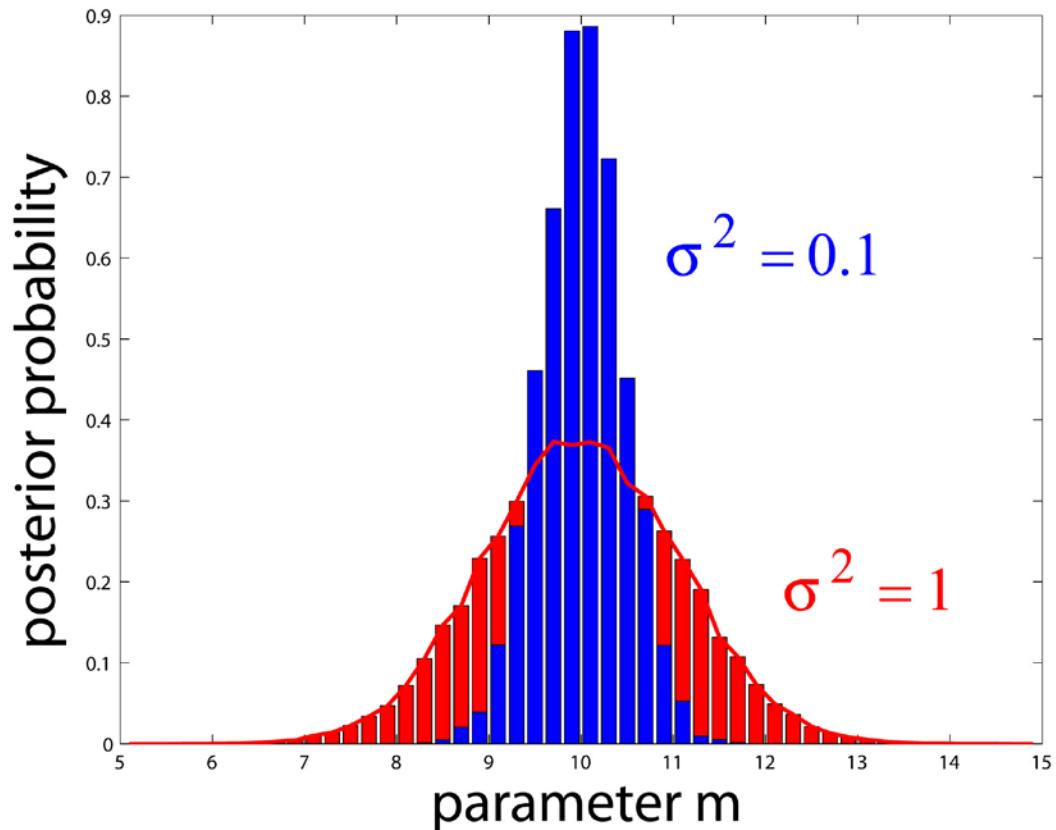
Updated targets and results for estimates of CAM parametric uncertainties

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Near-term goals for uncertainty quantification and data directed model development

- Improve codes that manage calculation on hpc resources for open source release.
- Better communicate relevance of approach to model development, i.e. target the AMWG web diagnostics Taylor metrics.

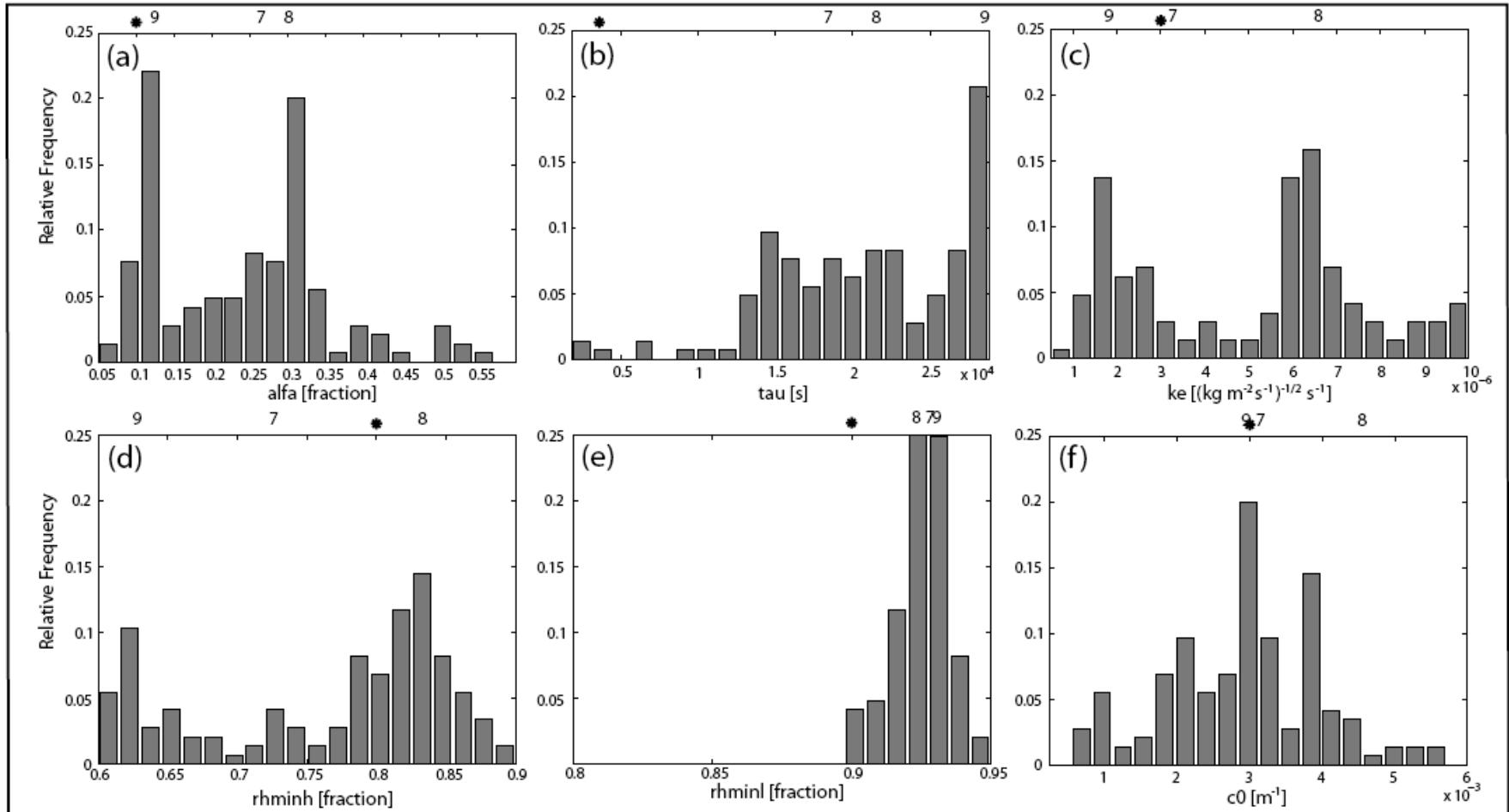
$$PPD(\mathbf{m} | \mathbf{d}_{obs}, g(\mathbf{m})) \propto \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{m}) - \mathbf{d}_{obs})^T \mathbf{C}_{noise}^{-1} (\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{m}) - \mathbf{d}_{obs})\right] \cdot prior(\mathbf{m})$$



$$E(m) = \frac{(m - 10)^2}{2\sigma^2}$$

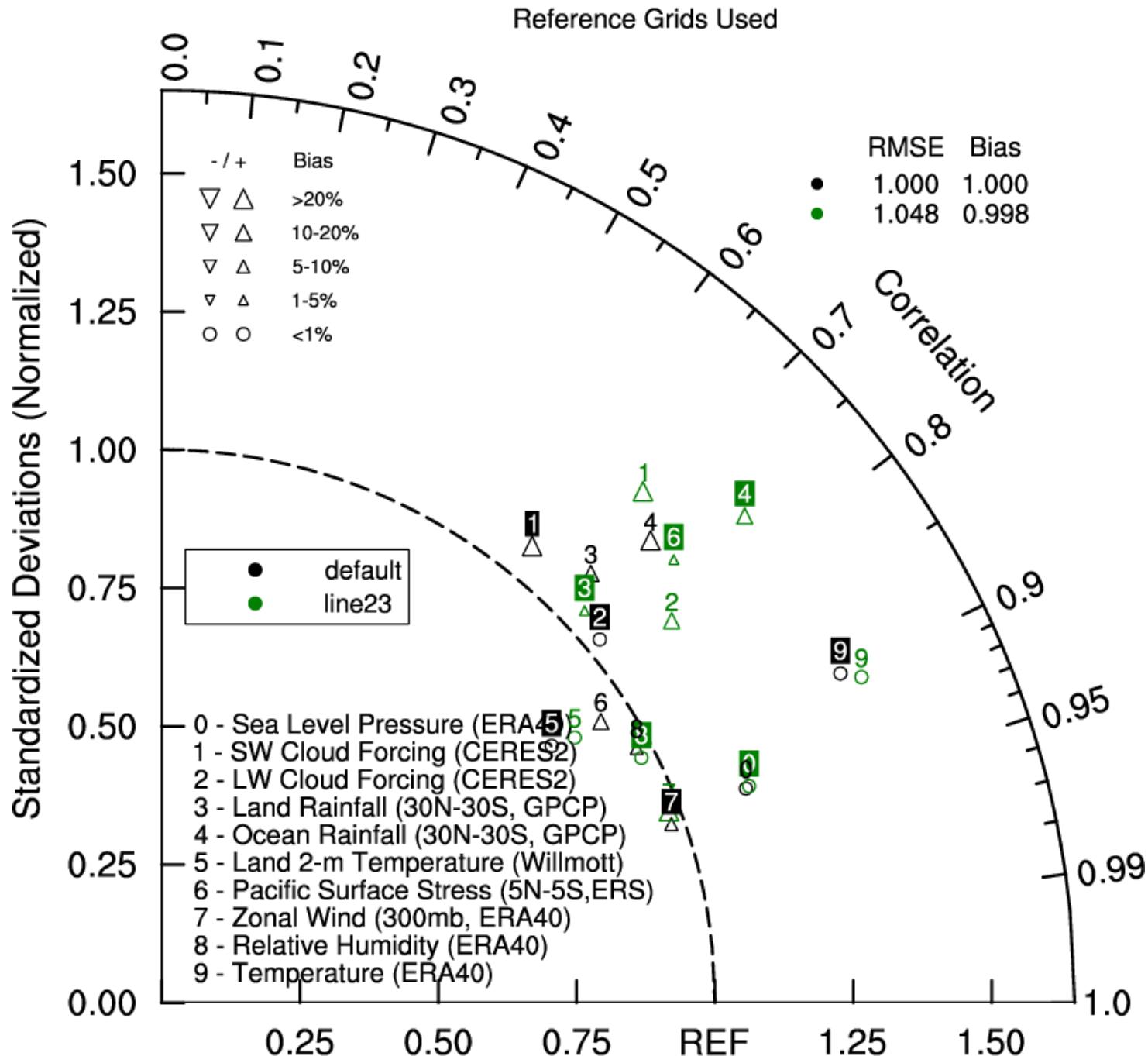
Posterior Probability Density

(NCEP-based cost function, 6 parameters)



Discussed (but not shown) in Jackson et al., (2008)

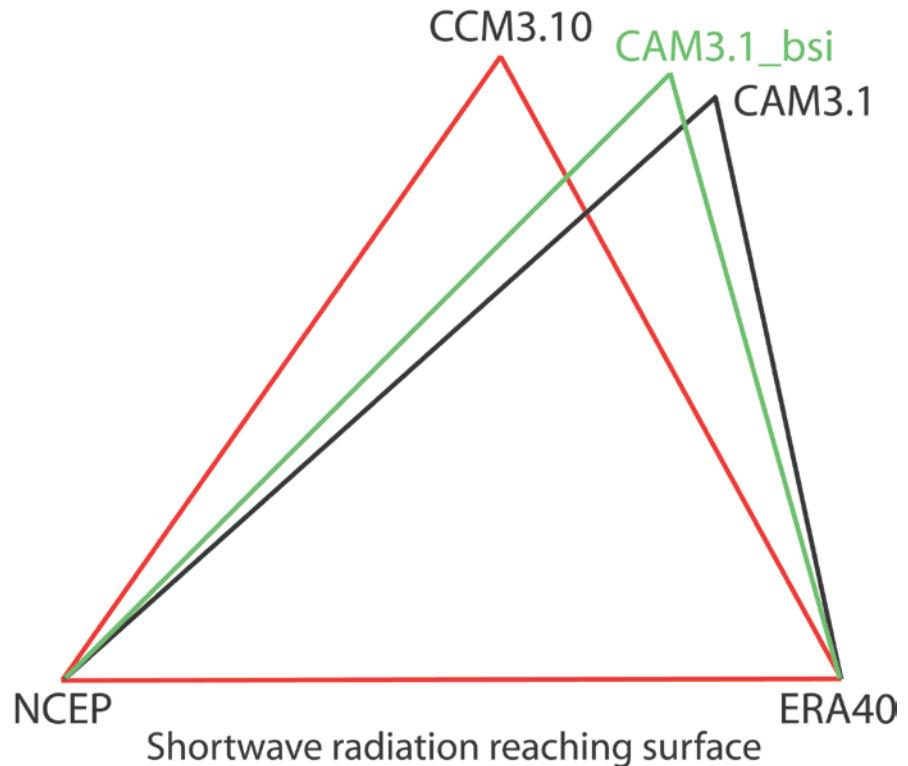
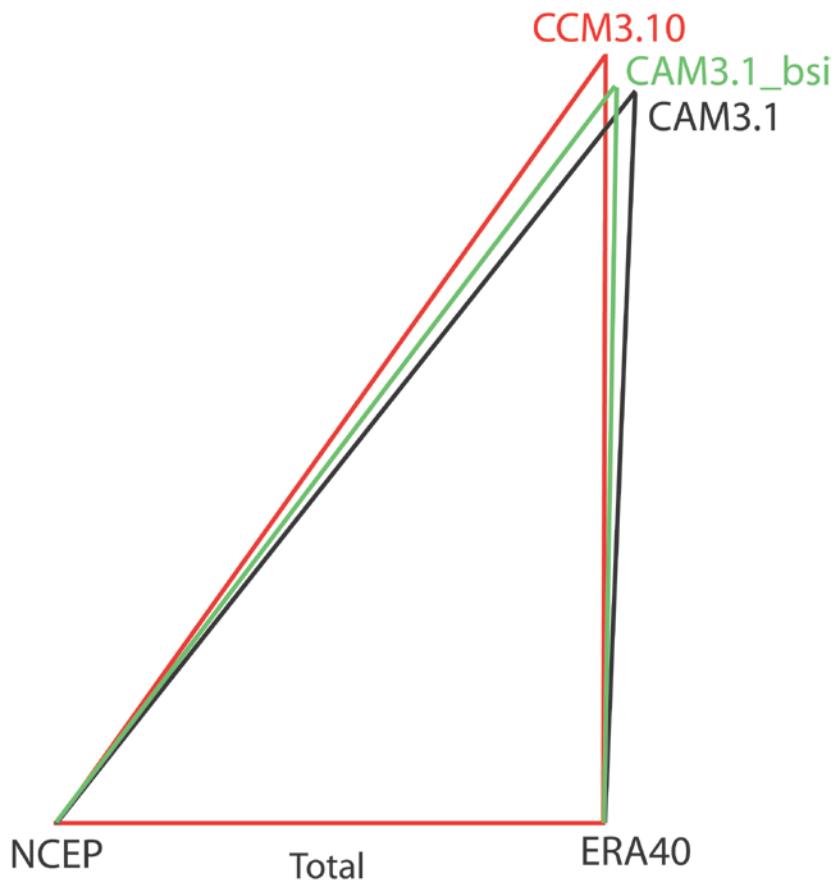
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Model-Data Comparison of:

1. **Low-level clouds**, 1990-2001, ISCCP satellite observations (Rossow et al. 1991)
2. **Mid-level clouds**, 1990-2001, ISCCP satellite observations (Rossow et al. 1991)
3. **High-level clouds**, 1990-2001, ISCCP satellite observations (Rossow et al. 1991)
4. **Net shortwave top**, 1985-1989, ERBE satellite observations (Barkstrom et al. 1989)
5. **Net longwave top**, 1985-1989, ERBE satellite observations (Barkstrom et al. 1989)
6. **Global radiative balance top**, 0.3 Watts/m², imposed.
7. **Shortwave radiation to surface**, 1990-2001, NCEP reanalysis data (Kalnay et al. 1991, Kistler et al. 2001)
8. **2m air temperature**, 1990-2001, NCEP reanalysis data (Kalnay et al. 1991, Kistler et al. 2001)
9. **Surface sensible heat flux**, 1990-2001, NCEP reanalysis data (Kalnay et al. 1991, Kistler et al. 2001)
10. **Surface latent heat flux**, 1990-2001, NCEP reanalysis data (Kalnay et al. 1991, Kistler et al. 2001)
11. **Relative humidity (zonal mean)**, 1990-2001, NCEP reanalysis data (Kalnay et al. 1991, Kistler et al. 2001)
12. **Air temperature (zonal mean)**, 1990-2001, NCEP reanalysis data (Kalnay et al. 1991, Kistler et al. 2001)
13. **Zonal winds (zonal mean)**, 1990-2001, NCEP reanalysis data (Kalnay et al. 1991, Kistler et al. 2001)
14. **Sea level pressure**, 1990-2001, NCEP reanalysis data (Kalnay et al. 1991, Kistler et al. 2001)
15. **Precipitation**, 1990-2001, CMAP instrumental record (Xie and Arkin 1996, 1997)

NCEP reanalysis ‘obs’ ≠ ECMWF ‘obs’



AMWG-inspired analysis

- CAM3.1
- Use “top 10” Taylor metrics
- 2-year model integration, climatological sst, use last year for analysis
- Same 6 parameters
- 2020 experiments completed
- Optimal configurations ~5% better than default
- http://web.me.com/csj/CAM_Stochastic_Inversion/Welcome.html

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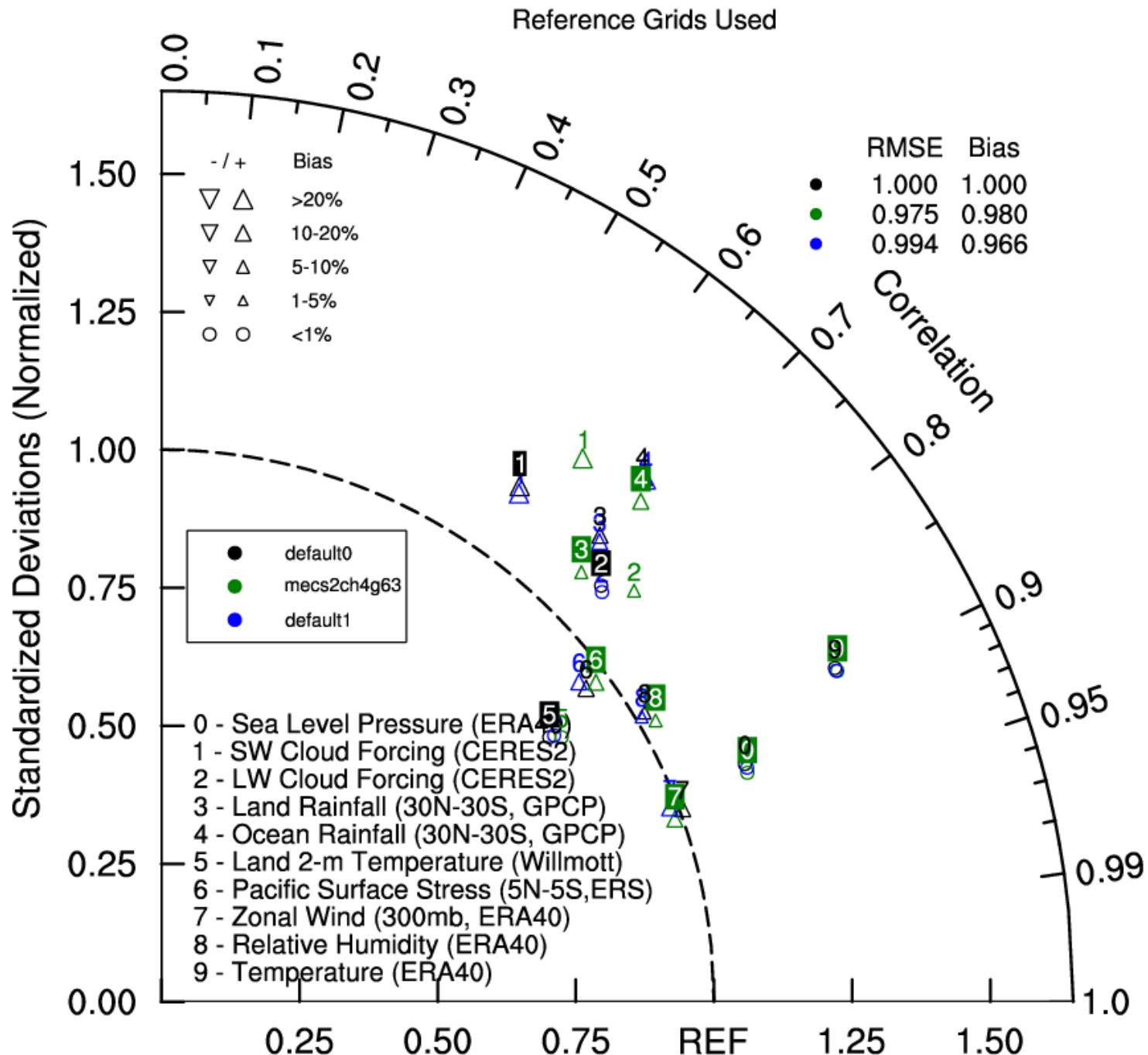
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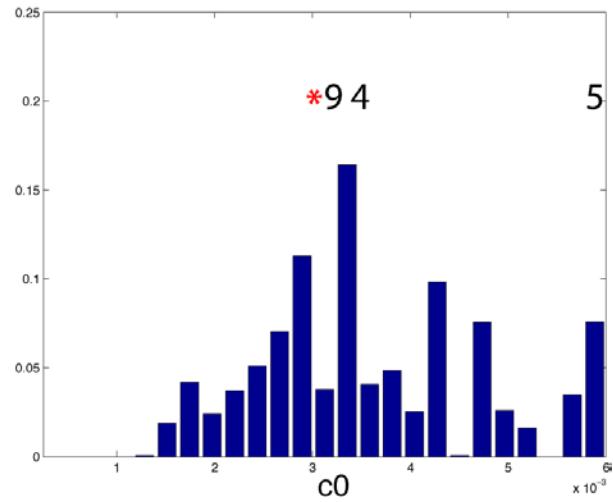
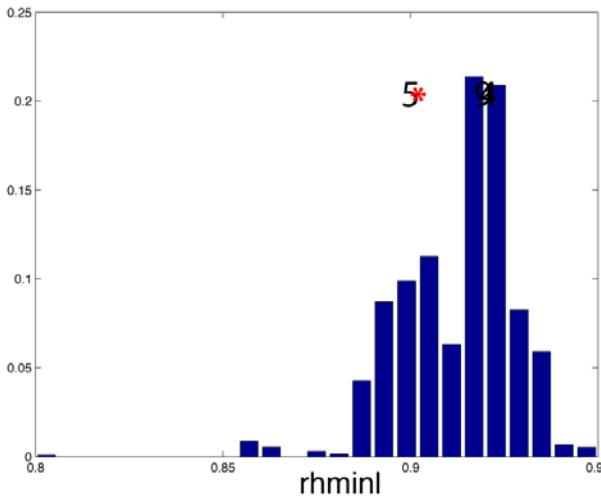
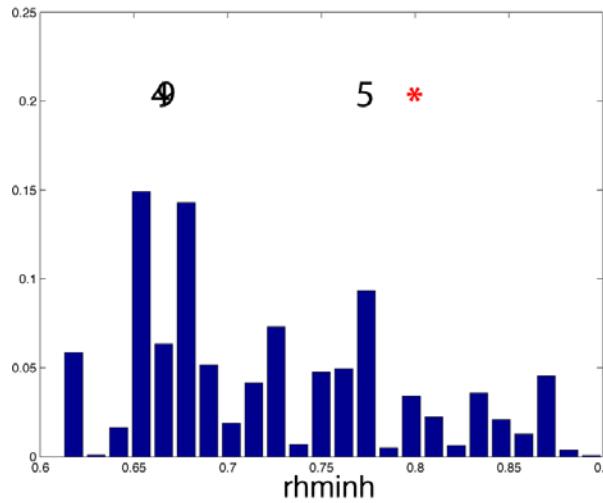
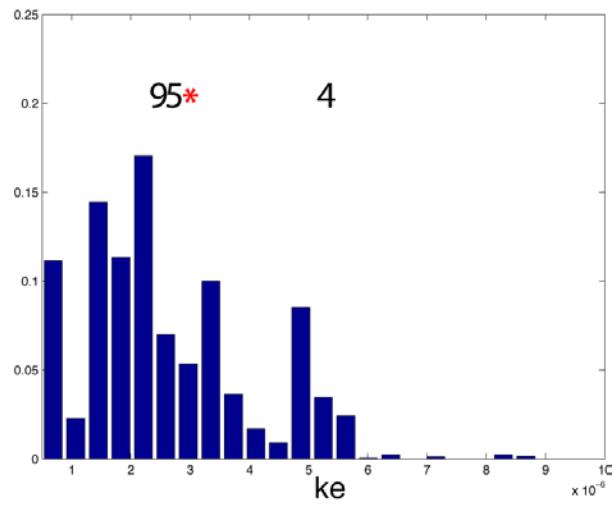
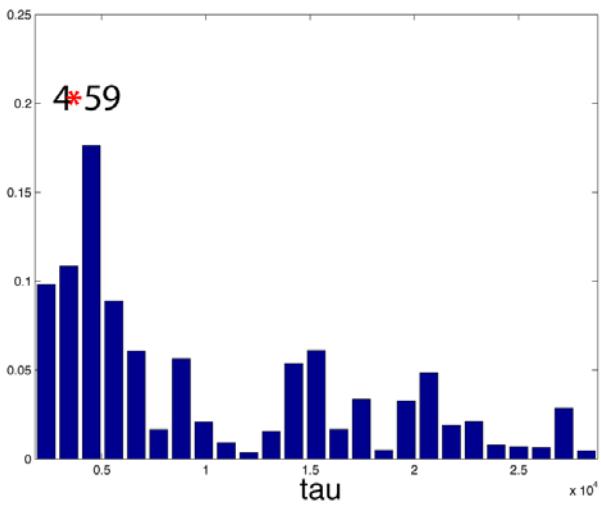
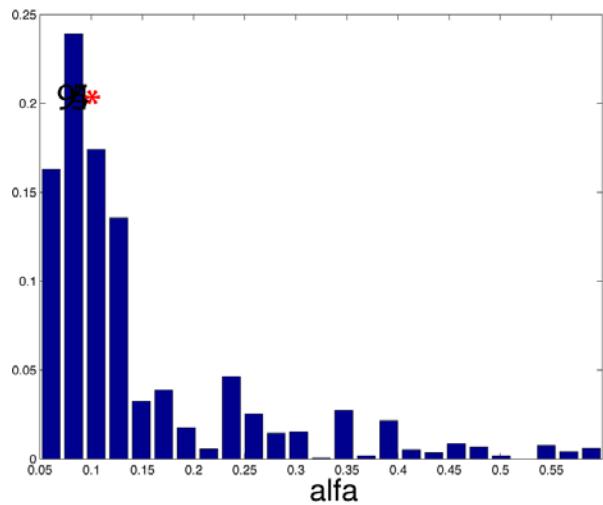
Top “10” Taylor metrics + ...

(all 30S to 30N, DJF, MAM, JJA, SON, unless otherwise noted)

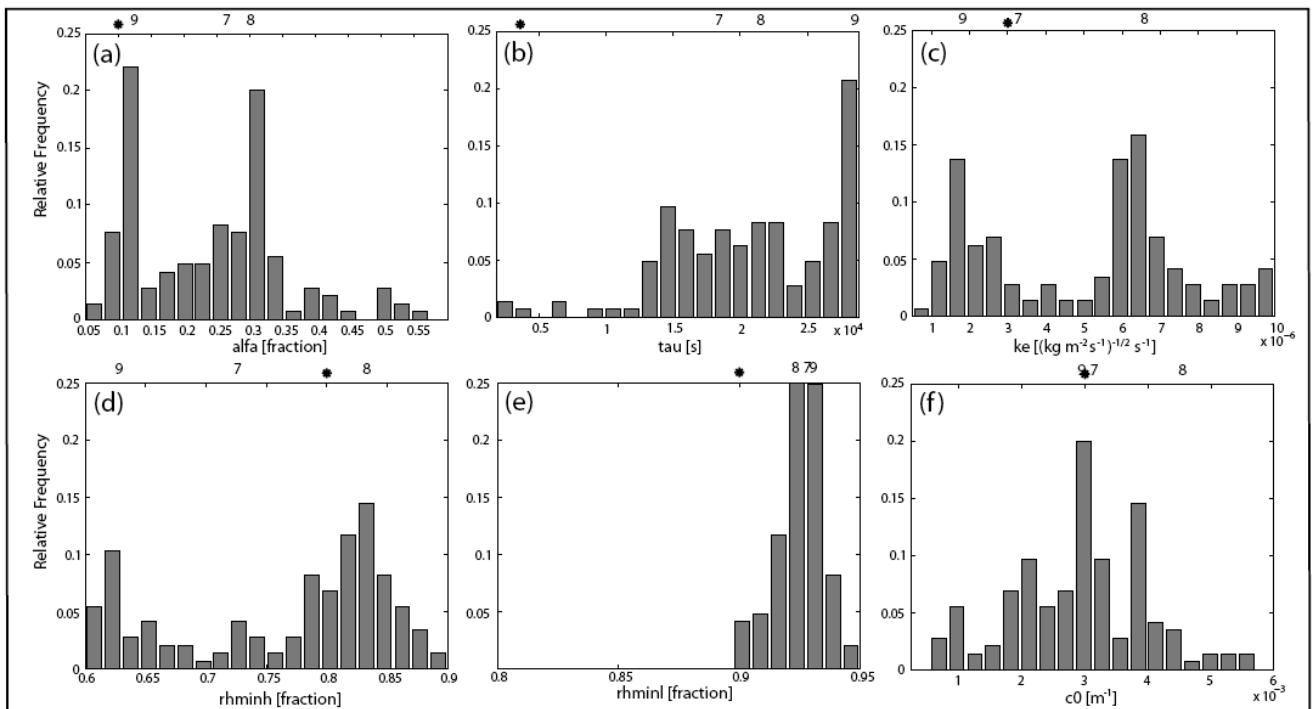
1. Land 2-m air temperature (Willmott)
 2. Vertically averaged (mass weighted) air temperature (ERA 40)
 3. Latent heat fluxes over ocean (WHOI)
 4. Zonal winds at 300 mb (ERA40)
 5. Longwave cloud forcing (CERES2)
 6. Shortwave cloud forcing (CERES2)
 7. Precipitation over land (GPCP)
 8. Precipitation over ocean (GPCP)
 9. Sea level pressure (ERA40)
 10. Vertically averaged (mass weighted) relative humidity (ERA40)
 11. Global mean annual mean radiative balance (= 0.5 W/m²)
- Left out: pacific ocean wind stress along equator (Is now available for future experiments, but originally we were having difficulty with this field)

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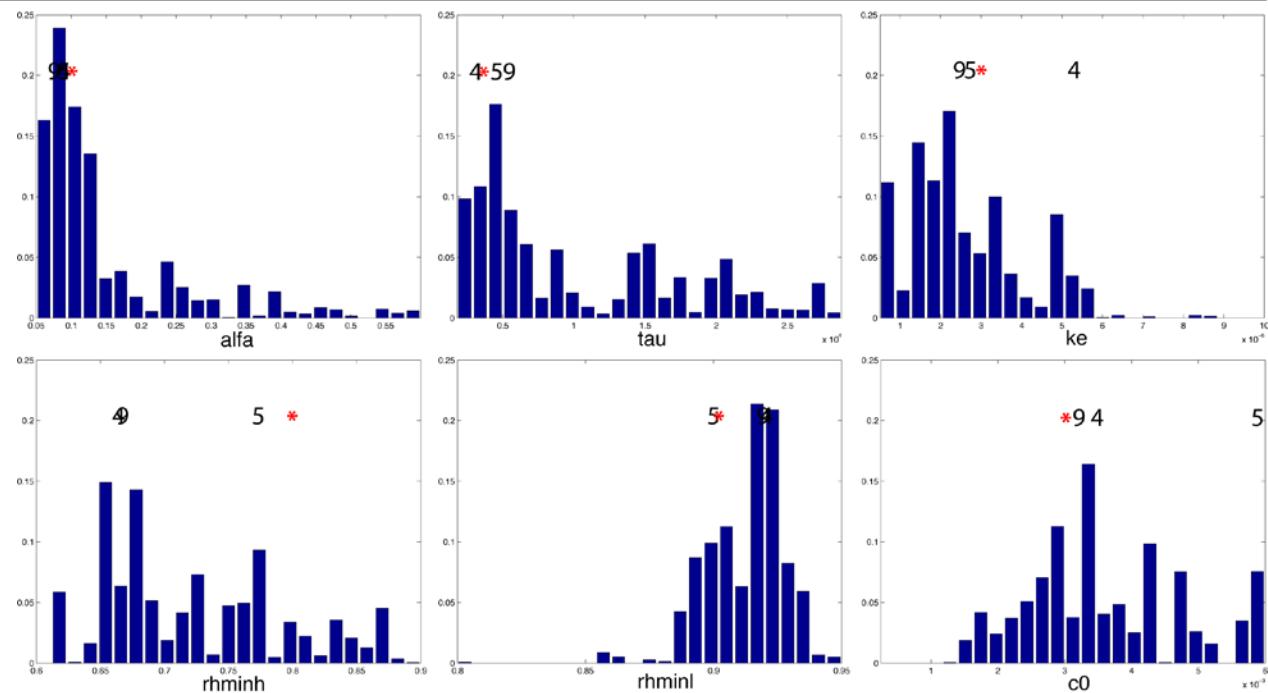


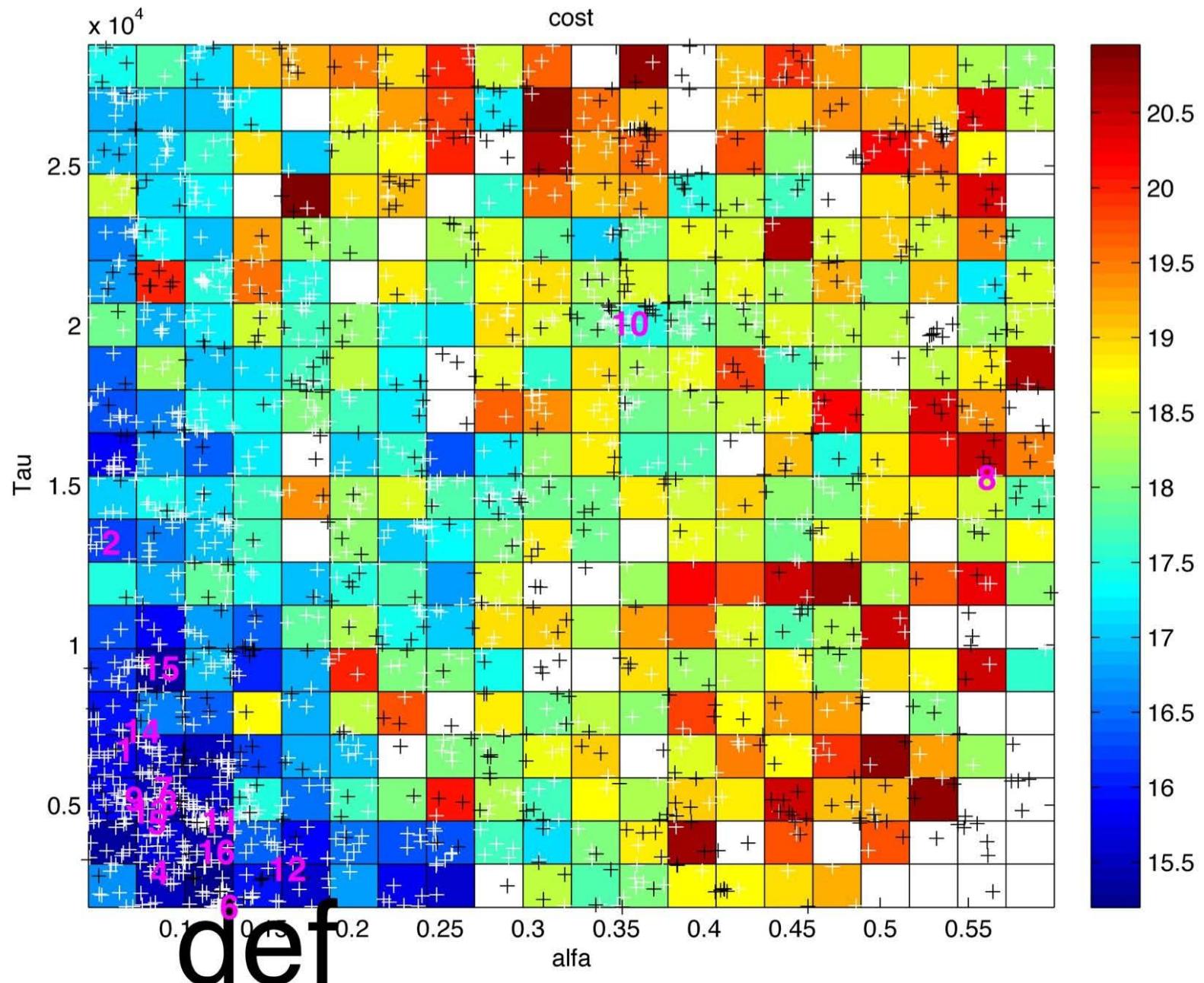


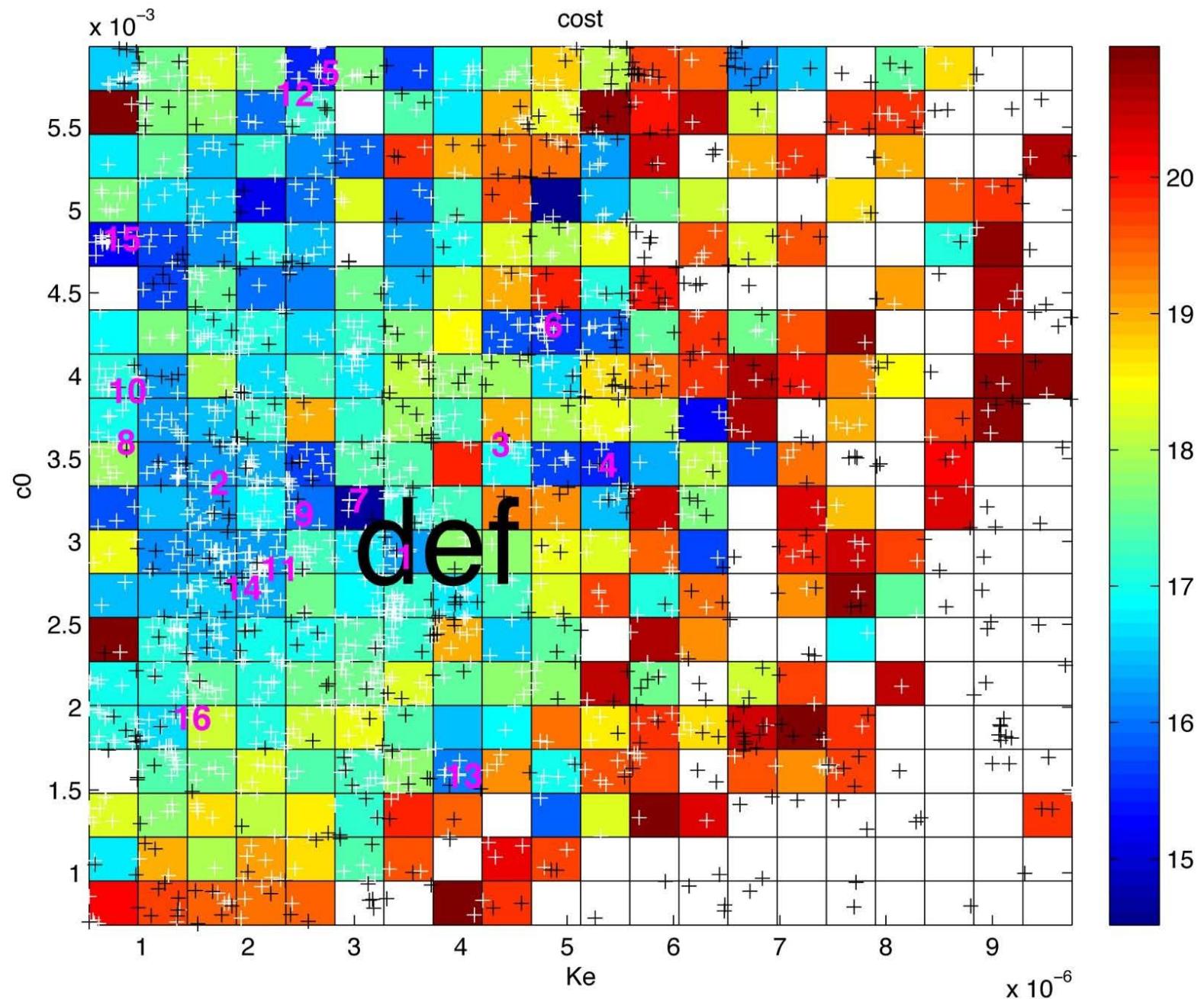
Old cost function

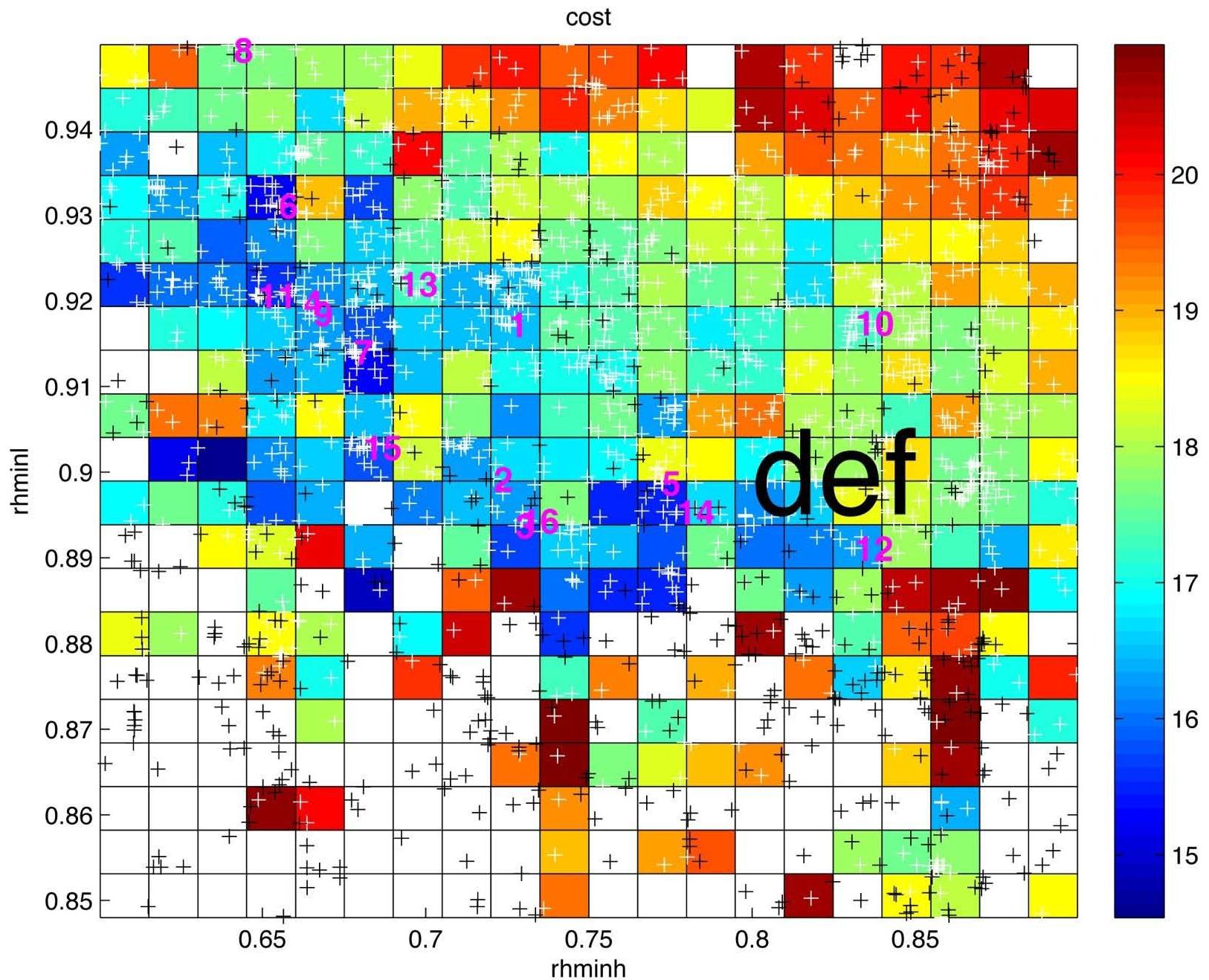


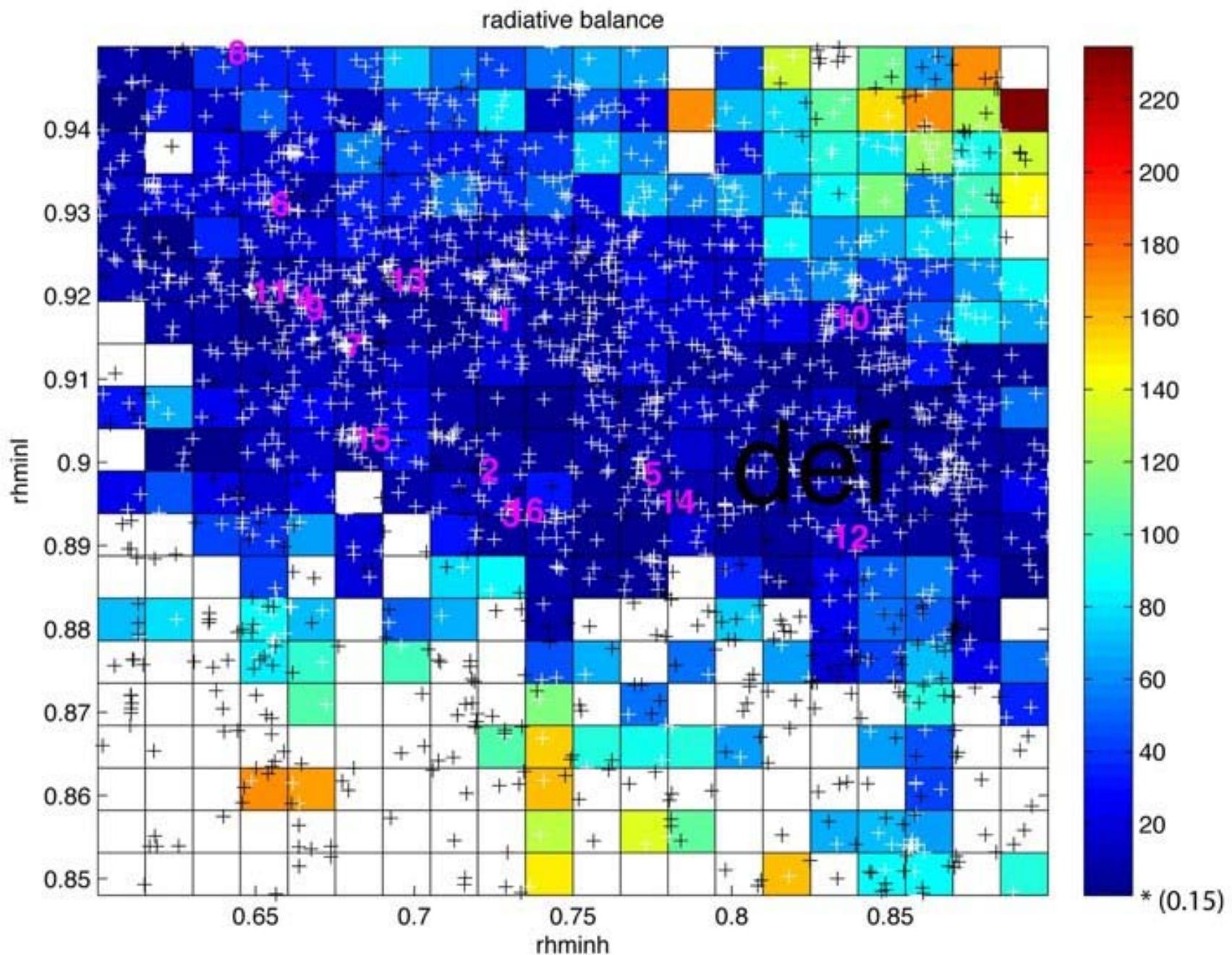
AMWG-inspired Cost function



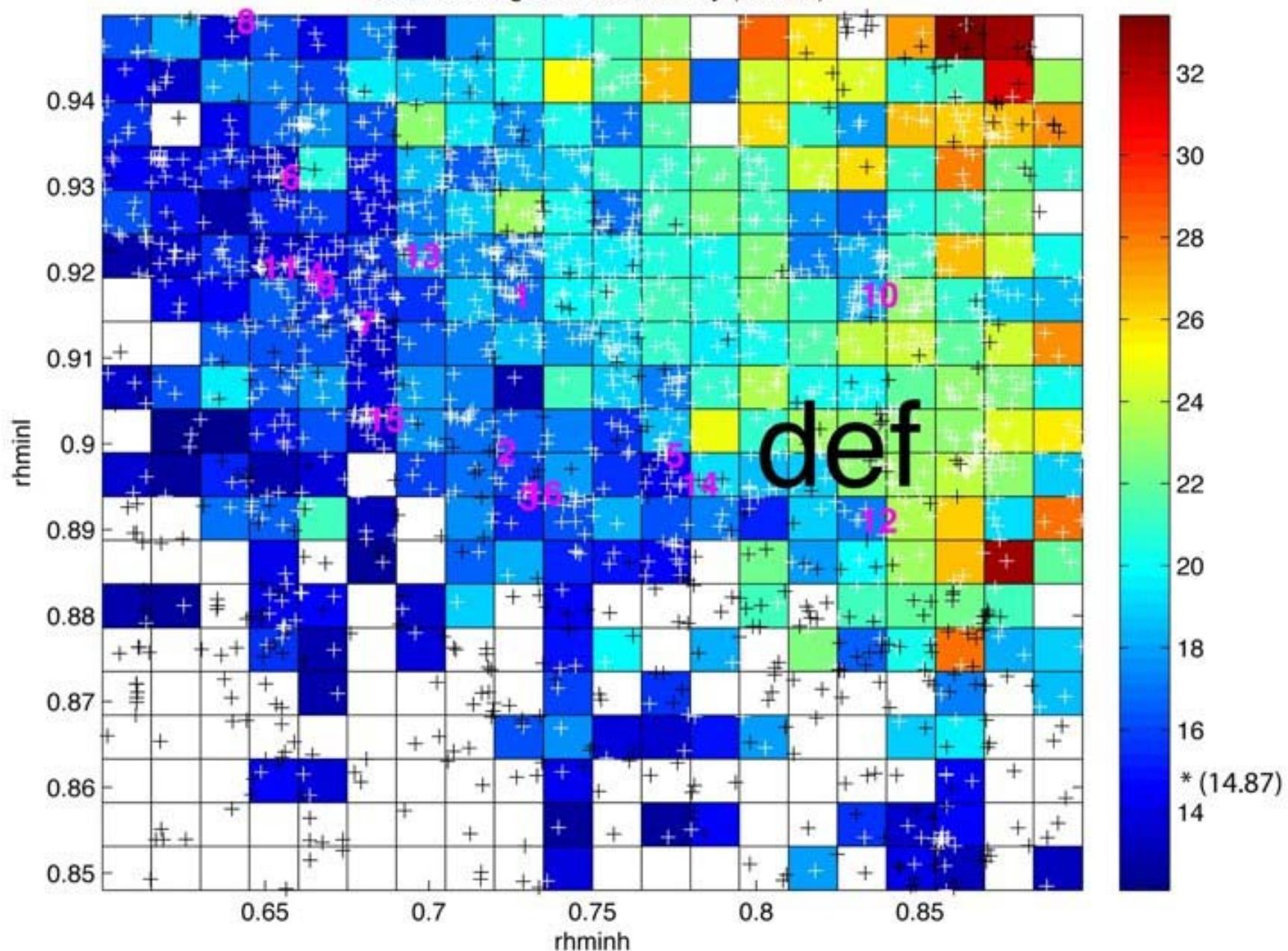




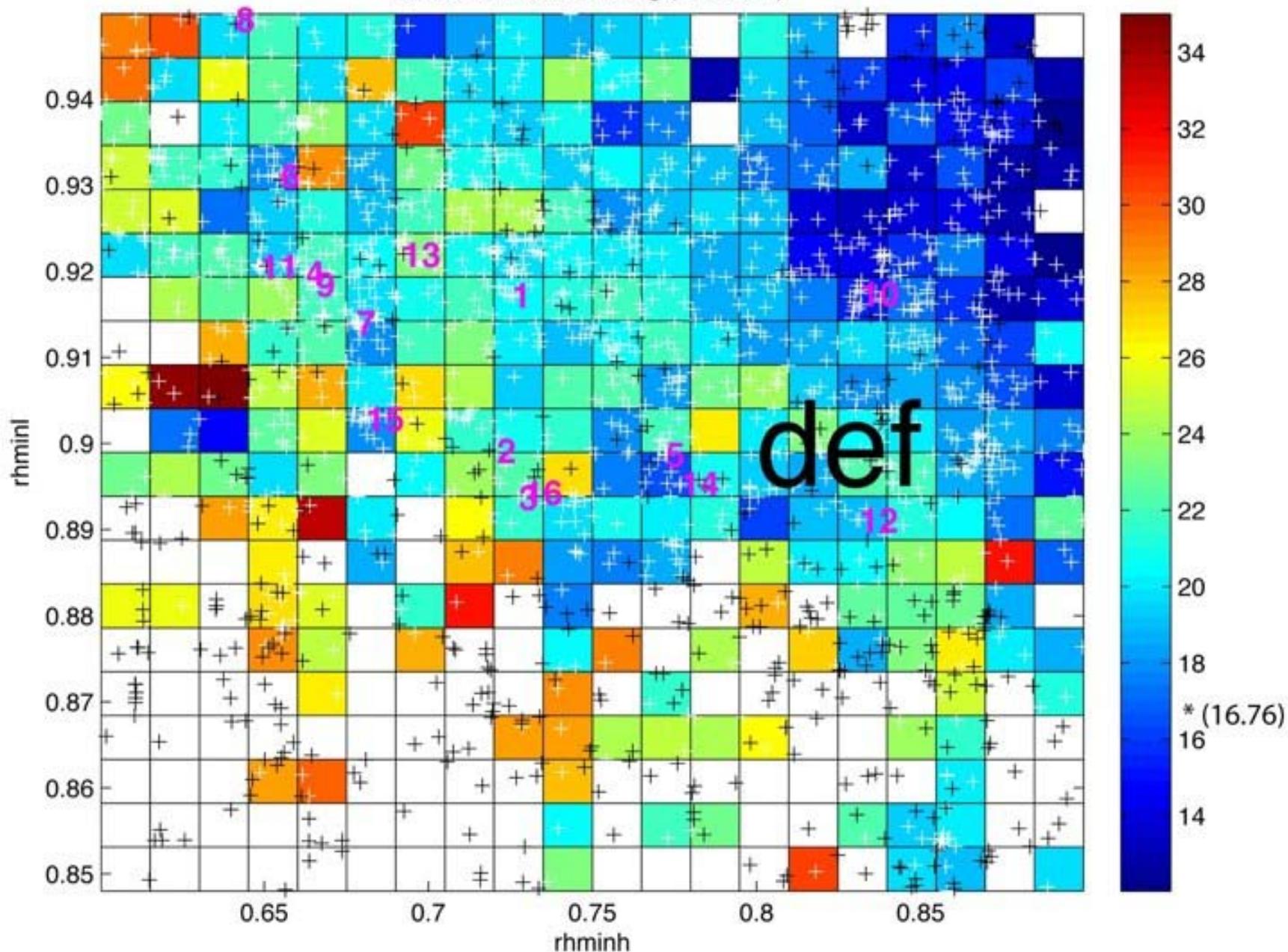




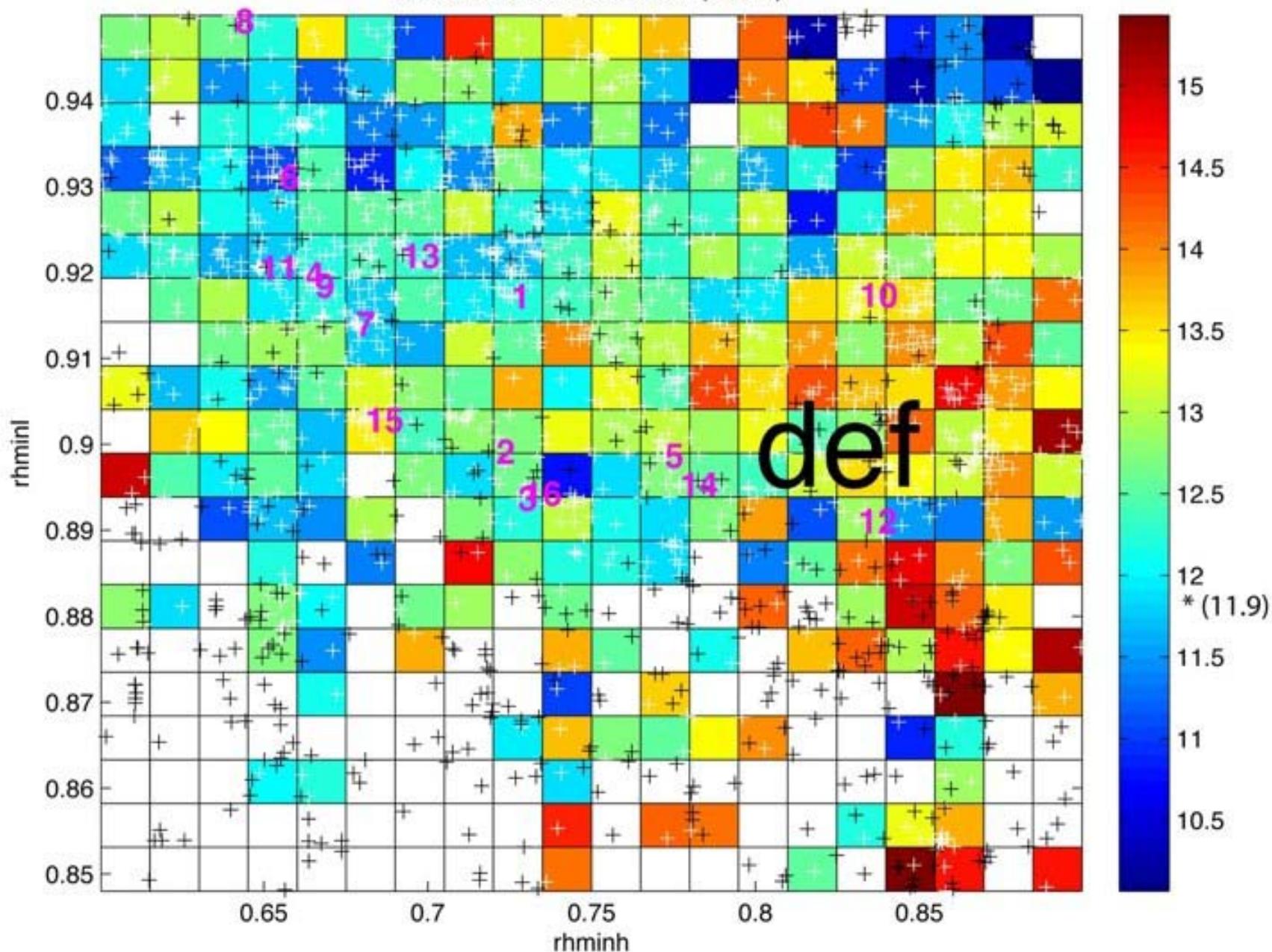
column average relative humidity (ERA40)



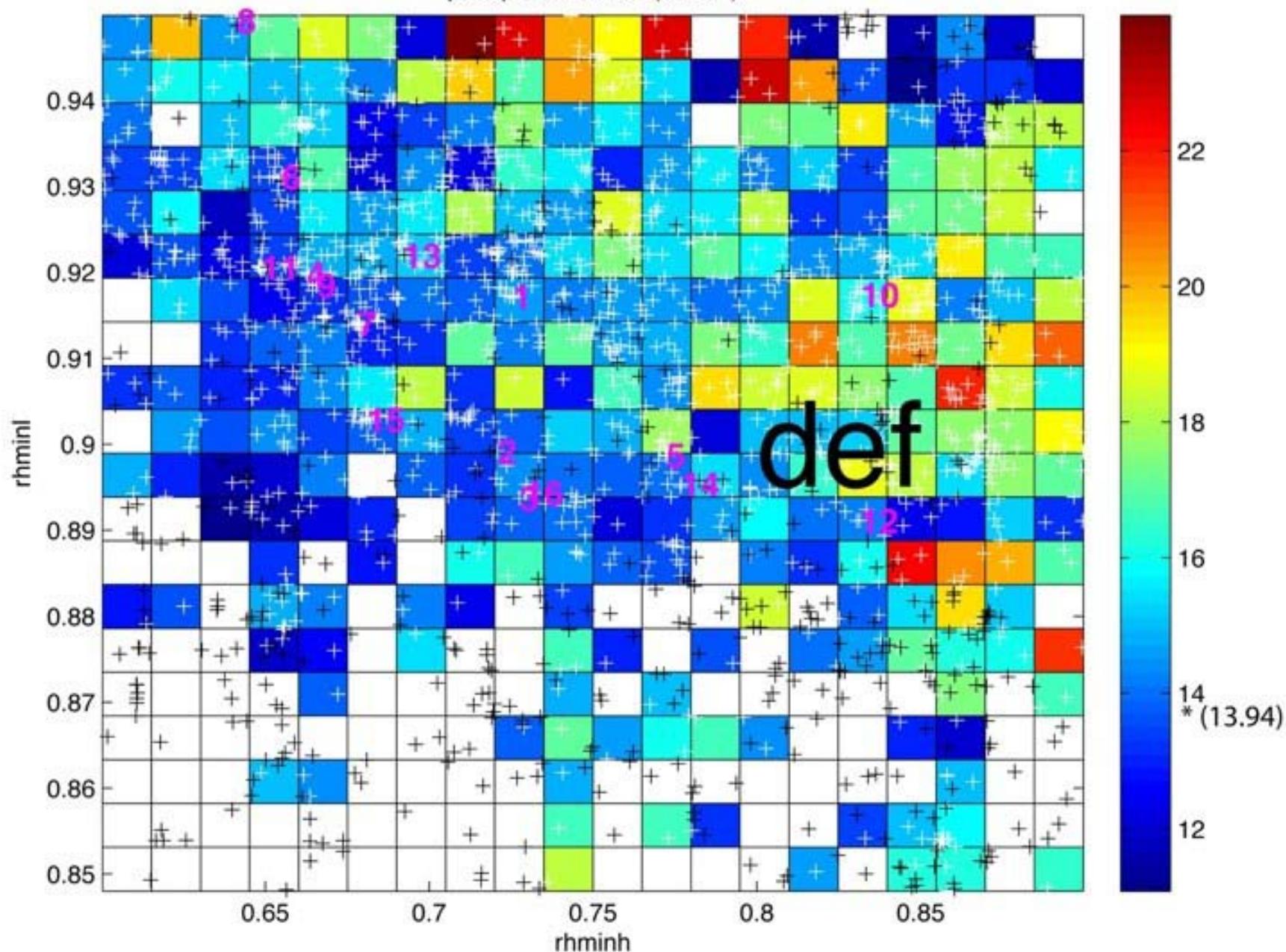
shortwave cloud forcing (CERES2)



latent heat flux from ocean (WHOI)



precip over ocean (GPCP)



More ambitious AMWG-inspired uncertainty/optimization

- Similar “top 10” Taylor metrics
- 4-year model integration, climatological sst, use last 3 years for analysis
- 15 parameters
- 1150 experiments completed (ongoing)
- So far, only a few have reached skill score similar to default model

9 new parameters

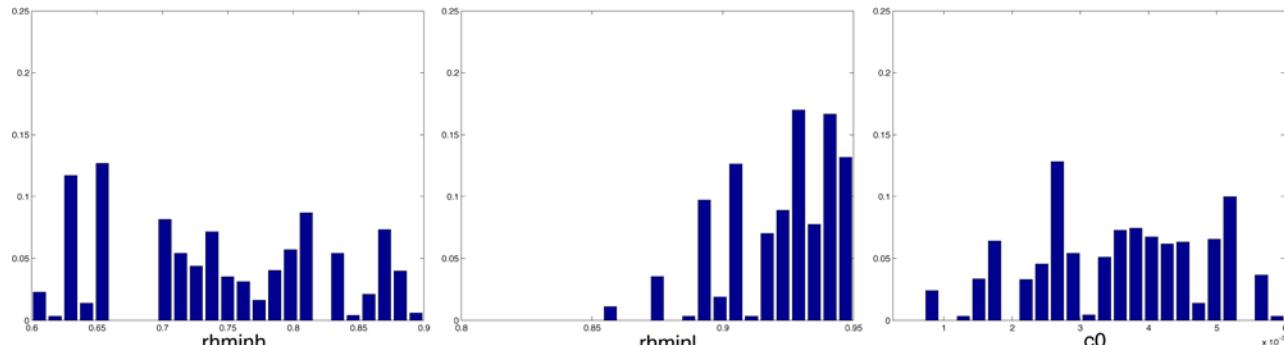
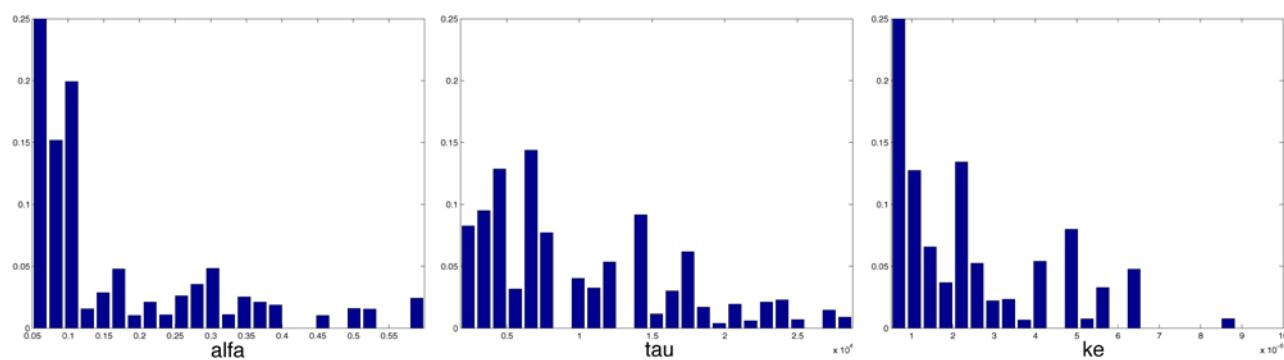
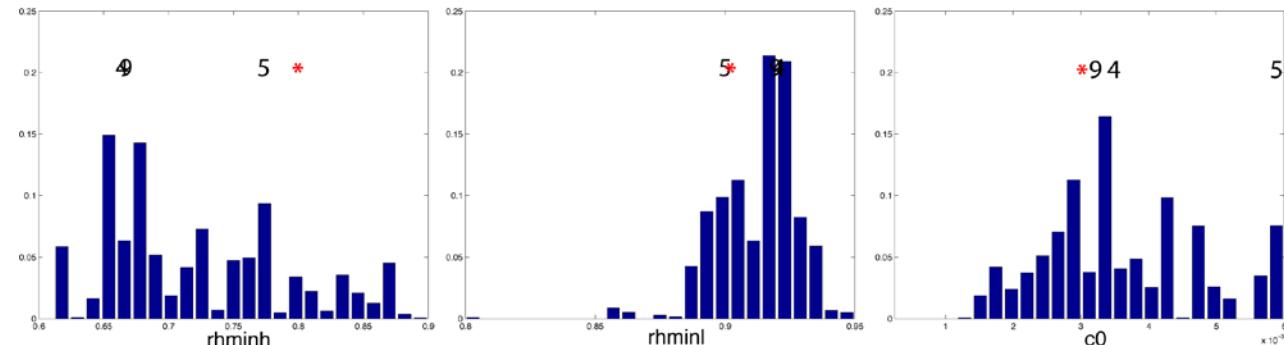
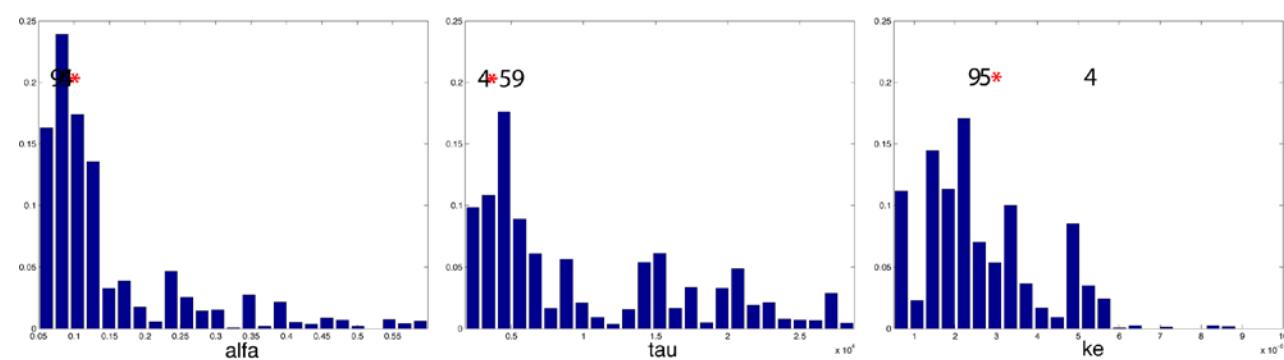
Same 6 parameters as before plus:

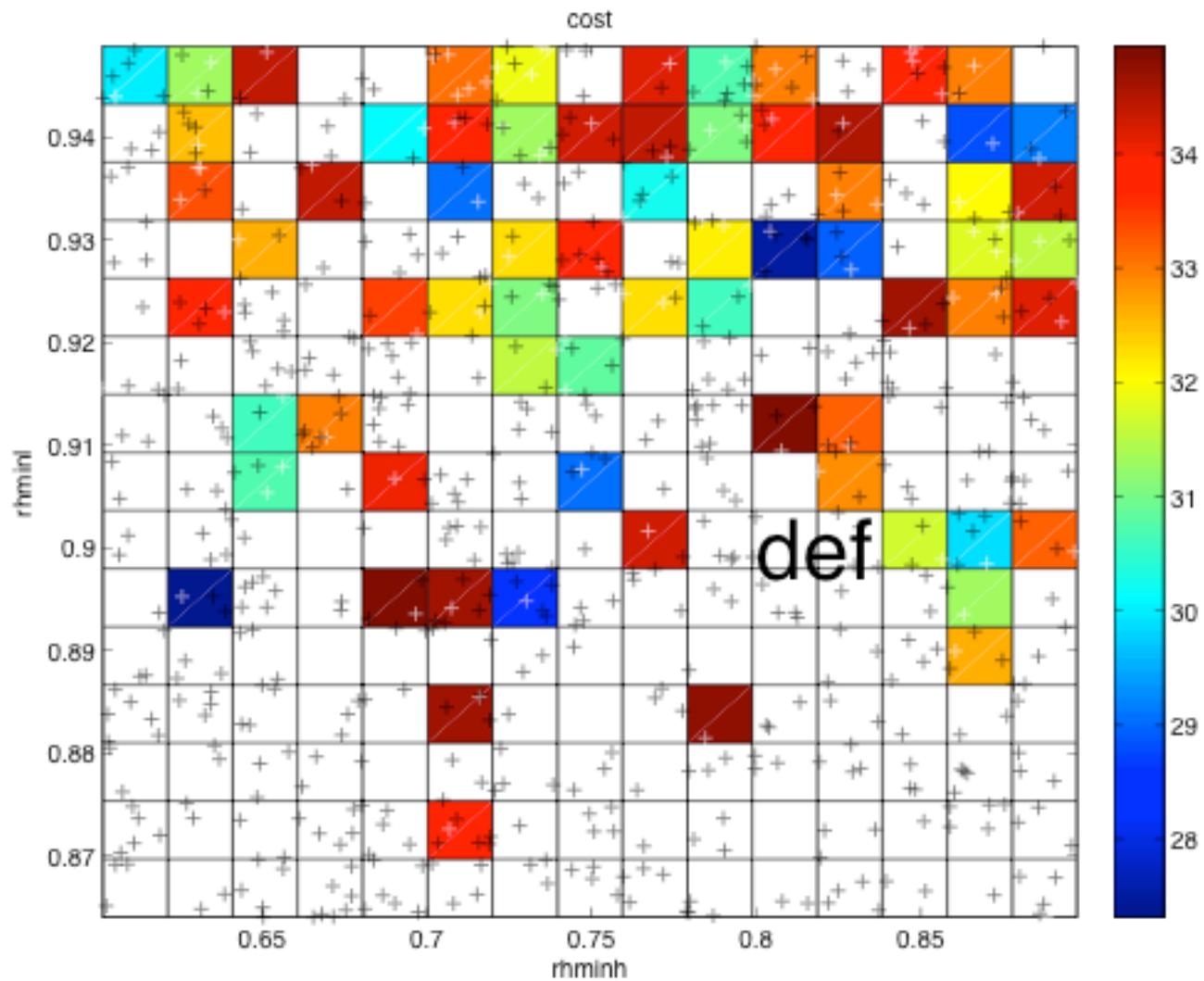
- icritc/w auto-conversion for cold/warm ice
- vice_small (ice fall velocities)
- rliq (ocean,land, ice) cloud droplet size
- capn(w,c,si) cloud droplet number

6 params
2020 exp

AMWG-
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Cost
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15 params
1150 exp





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Reference Grids Used

