

# UV-radiation model intercomparison and selection

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## Model principle

- Regression or combination of analytical, statistical and regression methods (SR)

auth, dwdk, dwdk\_acc, gsas, igfp, imwm, rivm, tobs, uvwm

- Models based on neural networks (statistical) (NN)

dwdf, mim\_cn4, mim\_cn1, mim\_wgt

- Models based on look-up tables (analytical?) (LUT)

fmi, jrc

- Analytical models (A)

boku

## Modeled parameter

- cloud modification factor (CMF) of erythemal UV radiation
  - spectral irradiance CMF `igfp`, `jrc`, `mim_cn4` (?), `mim_cn1` (?), `mim_wgt` (?)
  - daily CMF `auth`, `dwdk`, `gsas`, `imwm`, `rivm`, `tobs`, `uvwm`
  - integral hourly CMF or integral irradiance CMF `dwdk_acc`, `fmi` (spectral?)
- erythemal UV radiation
  - daily dose `dwdf` ?
  - hourly sum `boku`
  - spectral irradiance `mim_cn1`, `mim_wgt`, `mim_cn4`

## General or local models

local models **dwdf, imwm, tobs** (derivation of local seasonal averages of different UV radiation proxies and differences from the average)

## Possibility to model UV radiation spectrally weighted by different action spectra

**-directly** **igfp, jrc, (min\_cn4, mim\_cn1, mim\_wgt ?), boku**

### - needed corrections

-construction of new LUT tables for differently weighted / spectral UV irradiances **fmi?**

-construction of new regression relations between spectral CMF or spectral irradiances and its proxy parameters for regression models of daily CMF (**auth, dwdk, dwdk\_acc, rivm, gsas, uvwm, imwm**)

**-dwdf** (change the NN model of broadband UV radiation to model spectral irradiances, new neural network training)

- **tobs** (based on climatological? data)

## Modeling of albedo variability effect on UV radiation

- no albedo effect **uvwm**
- snow effect from Schwander et al. (1999) **auth, dwdk, dwd\_acc, min\_cn1, min\_cn4, mim\_wgt**
  - satellite data **jrc** (METEOSAT - albedo of global irradiance)
- incorporation of snow effect without detailed specification **dwdk, fmi, gsas, igfp, rivm, boku**
- determination of UV radiation albedo optimizing the RT model inputs **imwm**
- deviations of surface albedo from climatological values **tobs**

## Modelling of aerosol variability effect on UV radiation

no aerosol variability – constant AOD and its quality during a year – **auth, jrc, uvwm, rivm, boku**

aerosol quantity derived from visibility **dwdf, min\_cn1, mim\_cn4, mim\_wgt, gsas** (and boundary layer height)

aerosol climatology – **imwm** (EDUCE), **fmi, dwdk, dwd\_acc, tobs**

# Model inputs

model	inputs
auth	Clear-sky UV, and G, geographical, O3, snow, AOD average, SZA
dwdk	Clear-sky UV, and G, geographical, O3, snow, AOD average?, SZA
dwd_acc	Clear-sky UV, and G, geographical, O3, snow, AOD average?, SZA
dwd_f	O3, snow, vis, SD, Dif, G, SZA
fmi	Clear-sky UV, G, O3, geographical, column of water vapour, albedo(UV, G), annual course of AOD (climatology), SZA
gsas	Clear-sky UV, and G, geographical, O3, snow, AOD average, vis, SZA
igfp	Clear-sky UV <sub>spec</sub> , and G, geographical, O3, snow, AOD average, vis, SZA, column of water vapour, winter and summer profiles of t and trace gases
imwm	Clear-sky UV, and G, geographical, O3, quarterly AOD and $\alpha$ , LOCAL (UV, G datasets for derivation of regression constants)
jrc	G, O3, column of water vapour, albedo(G), altitude, SZA, vis(?)
mim_cn4	Clear-sky UV and G, O3, snow, SZA, AOD from climatology,
rivm	Clear-sky UV, and G, G, geographical, O3, albedo, annual AOD average, cloudiness
tobs	Clear-sky UV, G, Dir, geographical, O3, snow, climatological O3, albedo, turbidity, cloudiness
boku	Clear-sky UV, SD, snow, AOD average
mim_cn1	Clear-sky UV, geographical, O3, snow, annual AOD average, cloudiness
mim_wgt	Clear-sky UV, geographical, O3, snow, annual AOD average, SD
uvwm	Clear-sky UV, and G, geographical, O3

Bias - measured/ modeled daily UV dose for year 1999 in %

model	Be	Da	Th	all
auth	-1.3	-2.3	-2.7	1.1
dwdk	-4.2	-0.4	-3.6	-1.3
dwd_acc	+1.1	-8.1	+0.5	-1.8
dwd_f	+2.8	-3.9	-	+1.2
fmi	+1.5	-3.1	-7.1	+0.5
gsas	+2.5	-4.6	-0.4	+1.3
igfp	-2.2	-7.2	-2.2	-2.6
imwm	-8.0	-5.1	-1.8	-4.6
jrc	-1.1	-20.0	-2.8	-4.7
mim_cn4	+19.4	-0.1	-5.8	+18.4
rivm	-3.8	-5.4	+2.8	-1.3
tobs	+1.2	-	-	-
boku	-4.7	+20.4	+2.0	-5.9
mim_cn1	+19.5	-9.7	19.6	+17.4
mim_wgt	+2.9	-13.7	5.9	+5.0
uvwm	-4.0	-2.0	-11.6	-10.6

## Absolute or relative differences between measured and modelled data as criterion of quality?

model	AbsDev
fmi	0.22
imwm	0.22
dwdk_acc	0.23
auth	0.24
gsas	0.25
dwdk_day	0.26
rivm	0.27
dwdf	0.29
igfp	0.37
tobs	0.37
jrc	0.47
mim_cn4	0.56
uvwm	0.65
mim_wgt	0.66
boku	0.68
mim_cn1	0.85

model	RelDif
gsas	0.20
fmi	0.21
imwm	0.22
rivm	0.22
auth	0.27
jrc	0.29
dwdf	0.30
igfp	0.40
dwdk_acc	0.45
dwdk_day	0.49
tobs	0.49
mim_cn4	0.58
uvwm	0.59
mim_wgt	0.61
mim_cn1	0.75
boku	0.83

**Absolute or relative differences ?**

**Computation-time requirements**

**Requirements on input parameters**

**Necessity to test the models on additional location/s  
with only available inputs for reconstruction of UV  
radiation over Europe**

**Different models for daily erythemal UV radiation and  
for estimation of long-term variability of differently  
weighted spectral UV radiation**