

10. Tuning of autoISF settings for Full Closed Loop aided by the Emulator

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Please note that with autoISF you are in an early-dev. environment, where the user interface is **not optimized for safety** of users who stray away from intended ways to use. Good safety features exist, but these are only as good as the development-oriented user understands and implements them. This is not a medical product, refer to disclaimer in [section 0](#)



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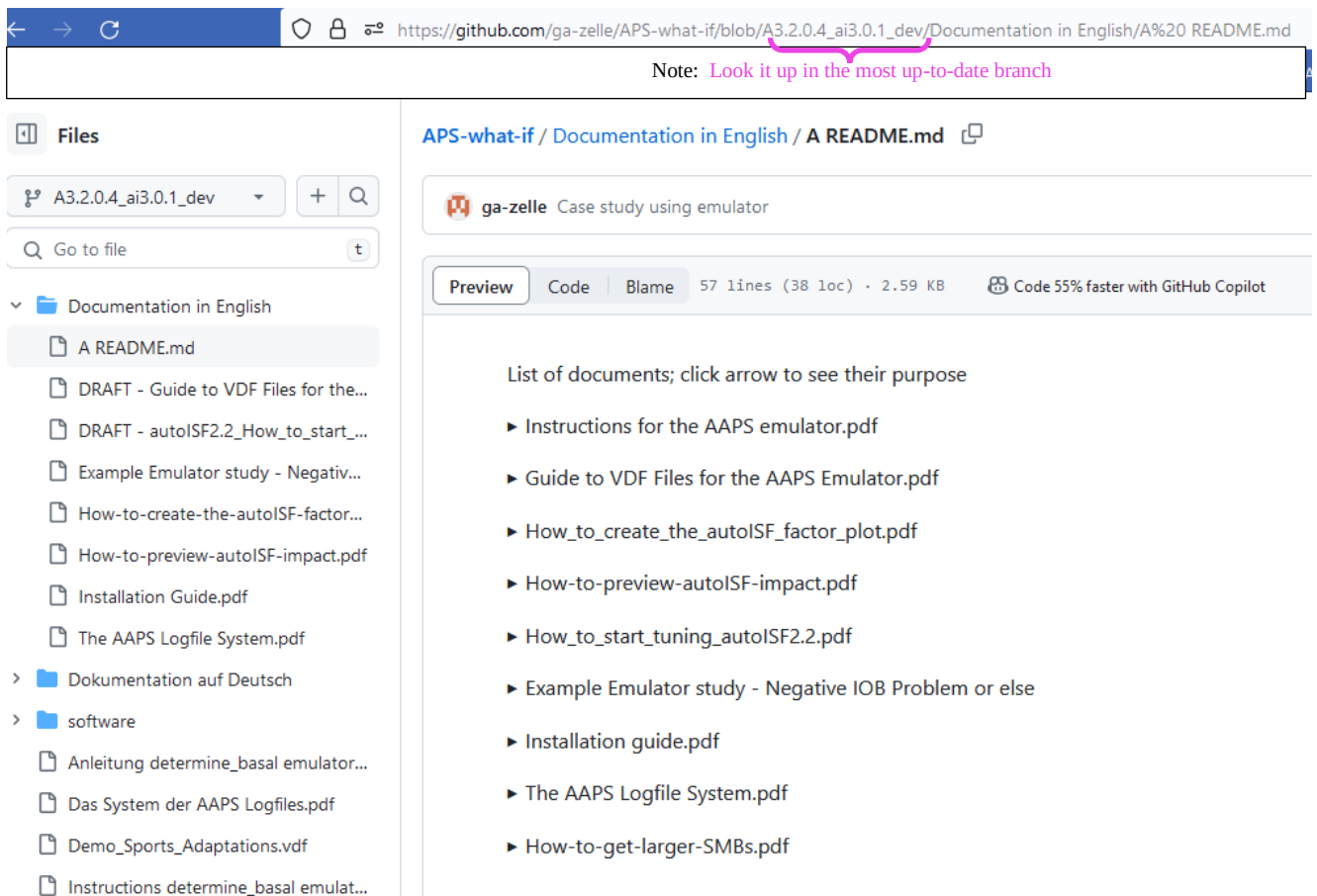
Available related case studies:

Case studies **still missing:**

Based on older autoISF and older Emulator versions, examples from emulator use can be found in [case study 6.2](#), in [case study 4.1](#) (last pages there), and [case study 8.2](#)

You can set up and tune the system for Full Closed Loop as described in previous sections. Doing this by frequently analyzing screenshots that must be taken in real-time of the AAPS **SMB tab** is tedious, however.

More elegant and precise tuning can be done with a special evaluation software for the AAPS logfiles, by using the **emulator**. It is described here: <https://github.com/ga-zelle/APS-what-if/> / Documentation in English. There (under / Software) you find the files needed to download on your PC, and the primary instructions:



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42 In the emulator, you can see in tabular and graphical form, which autoISF component, and other
43 settings, contributed to SMB values that determined the glucose curve.

44 In the following, we look into how you create your relevant data.

45 Application examples for tuning are given in associated case studies (we need more).

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47 Note that iOS based variants of autoISF (Trio or iAPS) can not use the emulator.

48 Refer to [section 11.3](#).

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51 Join <https://discord.gg/n3tD5eXExC> for seeking (and giving) help with the emulator set-up or use,
52 and to exchange experience.

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55 10.1 Installation of the emulator on your PC

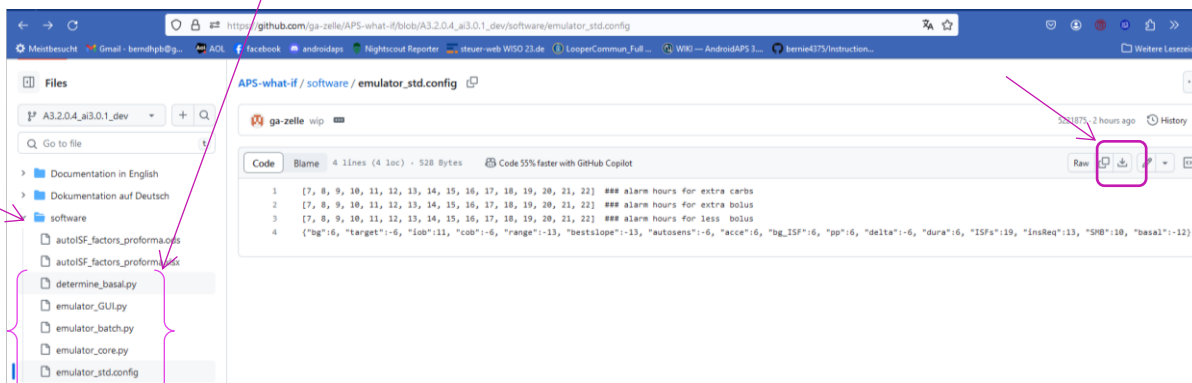
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57 10.1.1 Downloads

- 58 • First download **QPython 3L** onto your PC (detailed instruction see ... [APS-what-if / Instruc-](#)
59 **tions** determine_basal emulator

The suggested folder names and structure shown below
is of course not mandatory, but only a suggestion.

- Then download from: <https://github.com/ga-zelle/APS-what-if/> **software** : each of these 5 py resp. config. files. To do this, you must press, for each one, here



Always make sure you use the files from the branch with the same version number as your AAPS version (in the example above: These files will work with AAPS dev version 3.2.0.4 with autoISF version 3.0.1). . Always keep your AAPS x autoISF and also the emulator related files up-to-date. If you can't get your Emulator run, look in the Github repo whether there is a newer .py file (even with the same name; there may be updates that iron out problems that may have been reported only with certain AndroidOS versions etc etc)!!

10.1.2 Create your PC folder structure (- you can of course deviate from the specific example given below)

Retrieve these 5 downloaded files on your PC (list of recent downloads), and shift them into a folder in which, or neighboring to which, you also keep your logfiles.

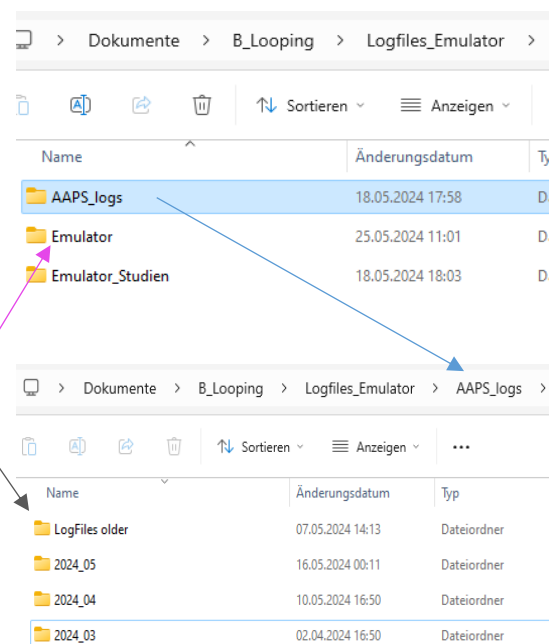
(These you must copy-in from your phone before they get automatically erased there after x days; check your x out; ~ 2 weeks normally, smaller with Libre3 (1min.)).-

My folder structure for Logfiles and Emulation on the PC has 3 monthly folders, plus one folder with data from previous months and years which I am not likely to analyze any more.

It is advisable to additionally store a pdf from **Nightscout Reporter** in the file for every month. From it, you can much easier find which days and times are of high interest to analyze with the emulator.

Always factor in the time difference between your AAPS phone and the "Z" time used by AAPS.

Neighboring the AAPS_logs is the Emulator file where the 5 downloaded files went:



Dokumente > B_Looping > Logfiles_Emulator > Emulator >				
Sortieren Anzeigen ...				
Name	Änderungsdatum	Typ	Größe	
__pycache__	24.05.2024 10:05	Dateiordner		
5minute_emulator_std.config	24.05.2024 22:06	CONFIG-Datei	1 KB	
determine_basal.py	17.05.2024 17:14	Python File	149 KB	
emulator_batch.py	24.05.2024 22:06	Python File	21 KB	
emulator_core.py	24.05.2024 22:06	Python File	164 KB	
emulator_GUI.py	07.05.2024 20:04	Python File	42 KB	
find_string_batch.py	07.05.2024 19:31	Python File	6 KB	
find_string_core.py	07.05.2024 19:31	Python File	8 KB	see 10.1.4

Note: Use 1minute:emulator_std.config in case you use Libre3 (1 min) as your CGM

10.1.3 Create a “start emulation” button on your desktop

One of these files is “emulator_GUI.py“

- Create a **link** to it
- Drag that link onto your **desktop**
- Name it something like Emulator start.

10.1.4 Fetch two more .py files

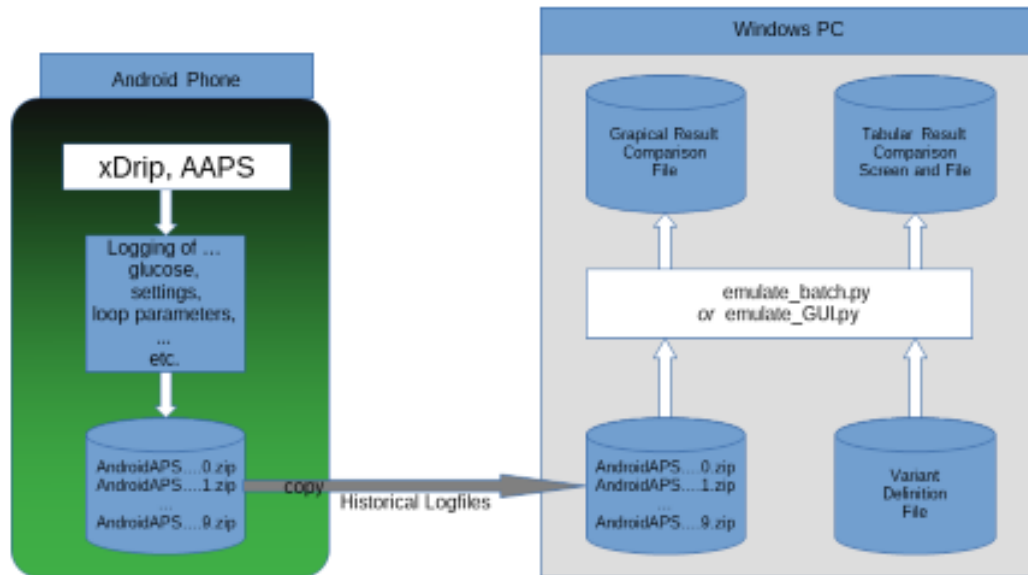
Repeat steps 10.1.1. and step 10.1.2. for 2 more py files from <https://github.com/ga-zelle/Scan-APS-logfiles/blob/main/fir> and download also these:

The screenshot shows the GitHub repository 'ga-zelle / Scan-APS-logfiles'. In the left sidebar, the file tree is expanded to show 'find_string_batch.py' and 'find_string_core.py'. The main content area displays the code for 'find_string_core.py'. A purple arrow points from the text 'and download also these:' to the 'Download raw file' button in the file viewer interface.

Include these in your emulator file (as in example shown in 10.1.2 above).

10.2 Analyzing loop decisions in logfiles

Instead of making many screenshots every 5 (or, w/ Libre3, every 1) minutes after meals, and analyzing them later, a much more elegant and powerful way to analyze your loop decisions (and how you might want to influence them with different settings, see [section 10.3](#) for this), is to use the emulator.



Sketch of Running the Emulator on a Windows PC

Github/ga-zelle /
APS-what-if

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10.2.1 Set up a “no change” .vdf file.

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It is just empty in the lines that would define any change to be investigated.

Note: for “what-if” analysis, entries will be made (in a second .vdf later, see [section 10.3](#))

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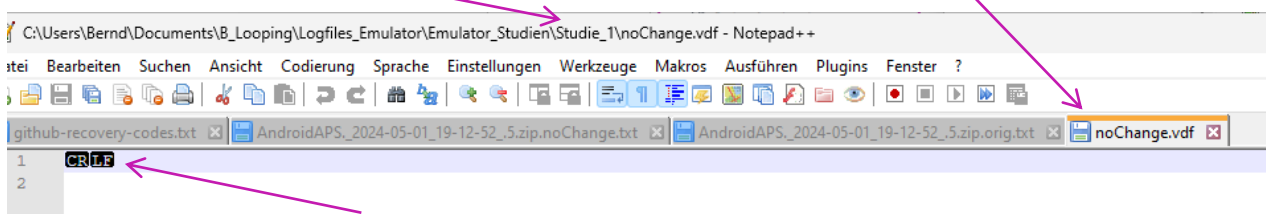
To do this, just open **Notepad++** (from list of all programs on your PC).

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Store that in a file of your current emulator project you are about to start (see my storage path in top line here)

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The no change .vdf should look like something like this:



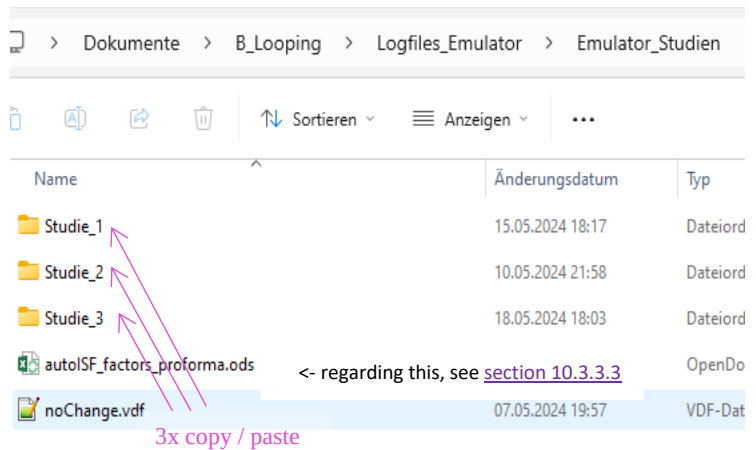
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Erase any entries after CR LF and also in lines 2 ff, if any

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Store this noChange.vdf in your Emulator-studies file (it neighbors your Emulator and Logfiles files).

From that position, you always make a copy and paste *into each* Study_1 ...n :



10.2.2 Locate relevant logfiles

Make sure you have the AAPS logfiles that you want to analyze in an immediate-neighboring file to your Emulator-- and to your Emulator_Studies- files (File structure as suggested and shown above).

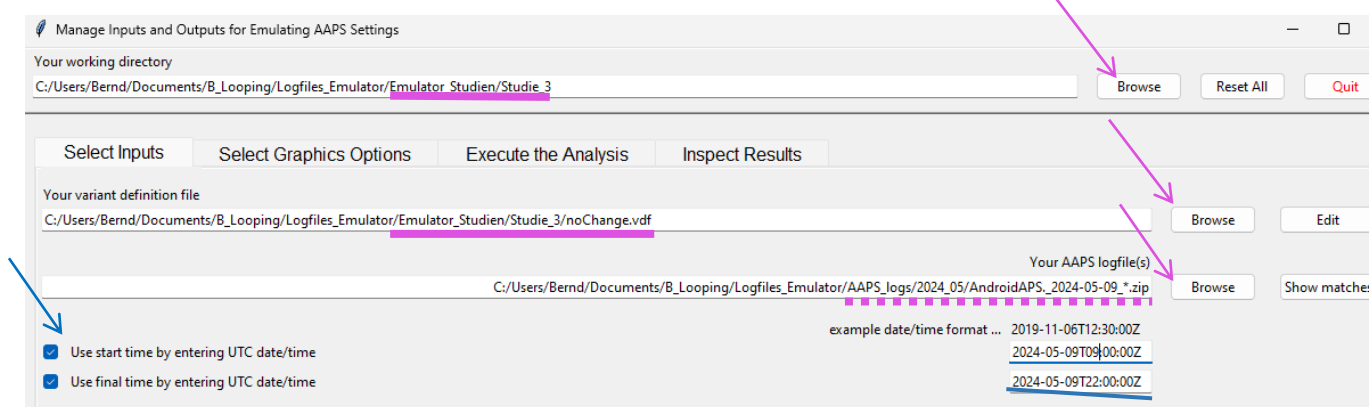
Copy (not: move!) your noChange.vdf (see above) also into your Study file (must be in all of them).

10.2.3 Prepare the emulator

Now go to your PC **desktop**, and start the emulator by **just pressing the button “emulator start”** that you installed in step [10.1.3](#)

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139 This opens a big dialogue box with 3 fields that you must fill in with the applicable path (*without* any
140 quotation marks “..”) from your Windows Explorer file system, best done via (3x) Browse button:



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142 a) The top box marks the path to your current emulator project (“Studie_3” is where I want to
143 store results)

144 b) The middle box marks the path to your current vdf (what kind of analysis; here:
145 “...noChange.vdf” = *read-only*; see section 10.3 for *what-if*)

146 c) The third box marks the path to your AAPS logfiles you wish to look into. A good way to do
147 this is:

- 148 • Browse in your Windows Explorer to any logfile from the desired day (2024-05-09 in above ex-
149 ample)
- 150 • Replace the time with an asterisk * (this means you look at **all-day** data, in UTZ time).
151 Check whether this will work by pressing Show matches .
152 You should see all logfiles from that day in a pop-up info box.

153 • As I wanted to look at 11 am –midnight (for lunch and dinner related data), I :

- 154 ○ clicked the bottom left two boxes
- 155 ○ copied the date 2024-05-09 over the default date in the bottom right two data fields
- 156 ○ after T (for time), I entered the desired time of analysis AFTER conversion into my local
157 time (Central EU summer time minus 2 hours = UTZ; so to look at 11 to midnight of
158 my AAPS screen, I must enter here 09.00:00Z, and below it 22:00:00Z).

159 Entries at the bottom are not mandatory, but when clicking these little boxes (bottom left)
160 you can define a start and/or an end-point for analyzing, within the logfiles specified in the
161 field above.

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10.2.4 Run emulation

167 Now we are ready to go: Press “Run emulation”

168 This produces sometimes an error message (e.g. if you have a syntax error, or incompatible software
169 versions: => seek help, in the Github materials provided by ga-zelle, or in Discord/Full-Closed-
170 Looping/emulate-aaps here: <https://discord.gg/n3tD5eXExC>

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172 After a short moment results should show up, which you can look into in a couple of ways. First
173 you could have a quick look into the **.log** file to see whether the run had errors (see [section 3.](#))

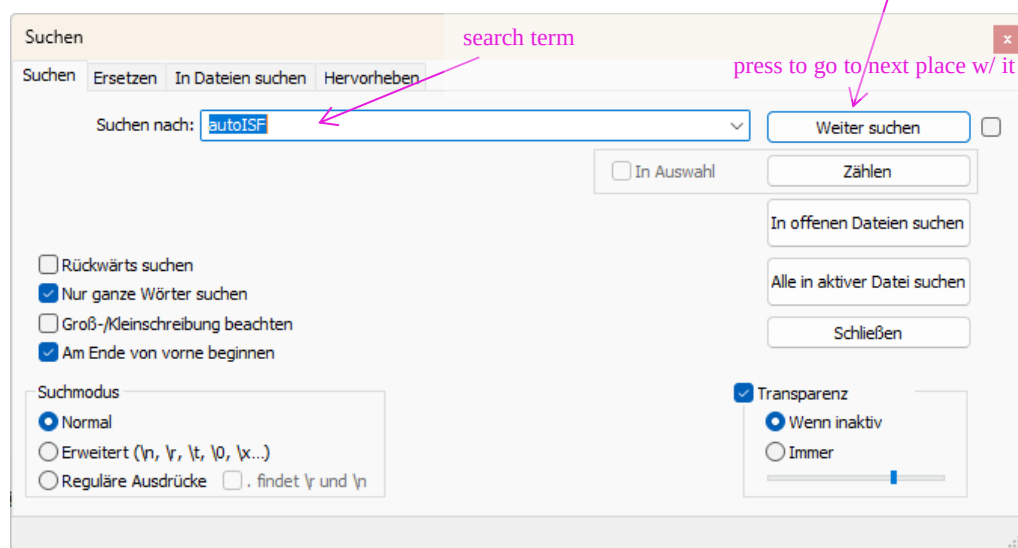
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10.2.4.1 SMB tab contents in (date..) noChange.txt result file

176 This basically gives you “all the SMB tabs” without needing to make screenshots every 5 minutes.

177 Search options help find what lines are of interest to your analysis:

178 By using the **search function** you can jump, in that super long list, to all places that e.g.
179 have „autoISF“ in it or „script debug“, or „SMB disabled“ (if you want to analyze when that
180 happened). Precise spelling, as in this .txt (or in SMB tab) is of course important.



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10.2.4.2 Table of results (...noChange.csv file)

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185 The .csv file in your project folder gives a tabular presentation of how parameters like bg, iob,
186 iobTH, the various ISF contributors, bg target, insulinRequired etc. develop every 5 minutes, and
187 what SMB size and %TBR resulted.

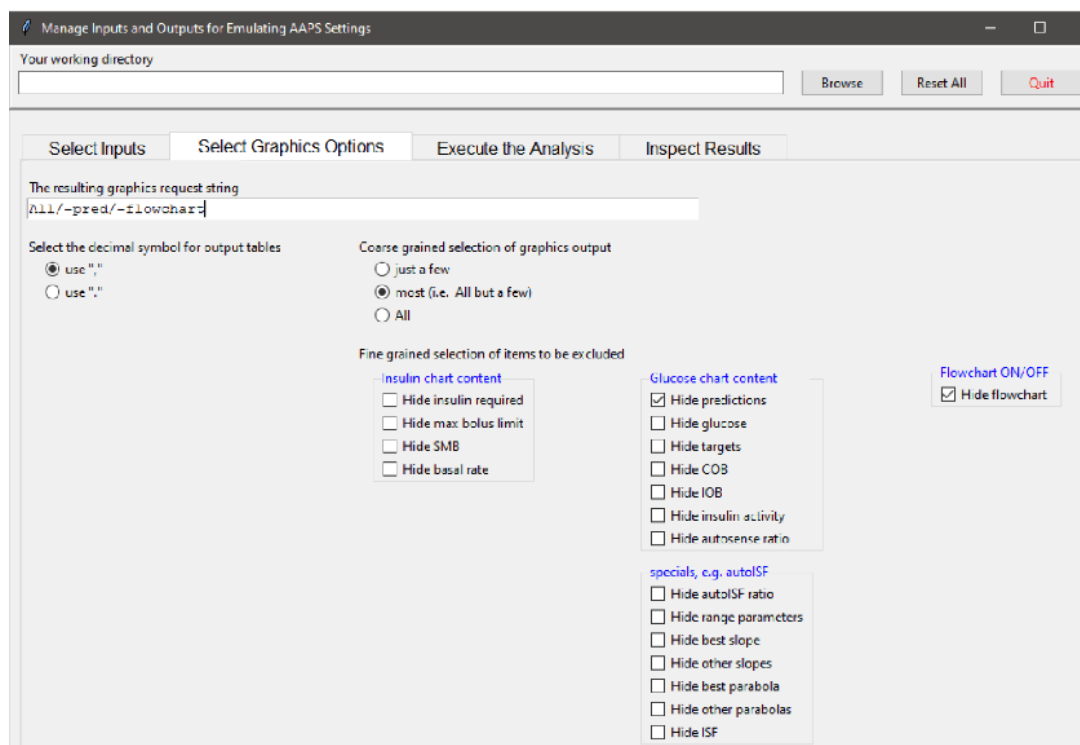
188 It is a vast table, so you may want to reduce it to something more “digestable”, either after transfer
189 to your standard calculation program (next [section 10.2.4.3](#)). You can also make settings to suppress
190 information you are usually not interested in (or do not know how to interpret, anyways) under “Select
191 Graphics Options” when you open the emulator, before executing any analysis:

192 First, select your preferred way of outputting decimals (point or comma).

193 Then select whether you want “All” possible outputs in the graph, or “Most” = all except those you tick “off”
194 in the boxes for each output parameter.

195 In case you would use “Some/just a few”, you would have to tick those few you that do want to see, by ticking
196 the corresponding boxes.

197 Recommendation is to look at (nearly) everything offered (as your default setting that you can leave
198 untouched in most of your emulator runs):



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200 It might be easier, to not deal with customizing the csv file, and rather copy the data into your
201 favorite calculation program:

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203 10.2.4.3 Analysis of the **noChange.csv** table in Excel or LibreOffice calc.

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205 Best copy the entire table into a new .xls or .ods sheet, where you can:

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- add right next to the standard world time your corresponding “AAPS **time**”

207 For instance, adding +2/24 translates the UTZ column into central European summer time
208 column next to it (where currently a row of Z stands). Likewise, subtract like -5/24 from UTZ
209 for an US East Coast time scale.

210 Highlight all time fields (the entire columns), and switch from hh:mm:ss format to hh:mm.
211 (While the seconds are important for the loop's calculations, for our comparison with
212 Nightscout or other charts and data, it is much easier without the seconds attached)

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- **hide** any column you find less important to look at for your intended analysis

214 That way, “boxes” (data fields) retain their original position in tables

215 Also, in case later you want to look into additional info, you can simply un-hide the relevant
216 columns ... or time lines:

- 217 • **hide** lines (time segments) you find less important to look at for your intended analysis

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219 Usually you will color mark where relevant SMBs were given, which of the ISFs (and underlying
220 weights) was strongly contributing (note that this can be good or not good) . Also where iobTH was
221 exceeded, whether an Automation kicked in e.g. setting a TT, when there were periods with zero
222 insulinRequired.

223 In [section 10.3.4](#) we present an extra tool that does a standardized table reduction and color marking
224 for you!

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226 You may be able to formulate a hypothesis or two, what settings (...ISF_weights, iobTH%,
227 SMB_range_extention, autoISFmax ...) should be changed for improvement (then go to [10.3](#))

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229 10.2.4.4.. Graph **noChange.pdf**

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231 After your emulation run, under Inspect Results, you can open the pdf file that is last in the results list
232 offered.

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234 This **noChange.pdf** is a chart that shows along the time axis (down), from right to left:

- 235 • Red: the bg curve
- 236 • Yellow: the bg target (note that I do no manual “EatingSoonTT” but for bg rises over +10 mg/dl
237 I have an Automation that sets low TT for a couple of minutes)
- 238 • Light blue corridor: Left edge is set iobTH, and bandwidth +30% (would be +20% at elevated
239 TT)
- 240 • Dark blue line: iob (exceeding twice the iobTH, with temp. SMB shut-off

241 As bg did not convincingly come down enough, one could hypothesize that iobTH should be
242 elevated. ((But, again, this would have to be confirmed also with other kinds of meals)).

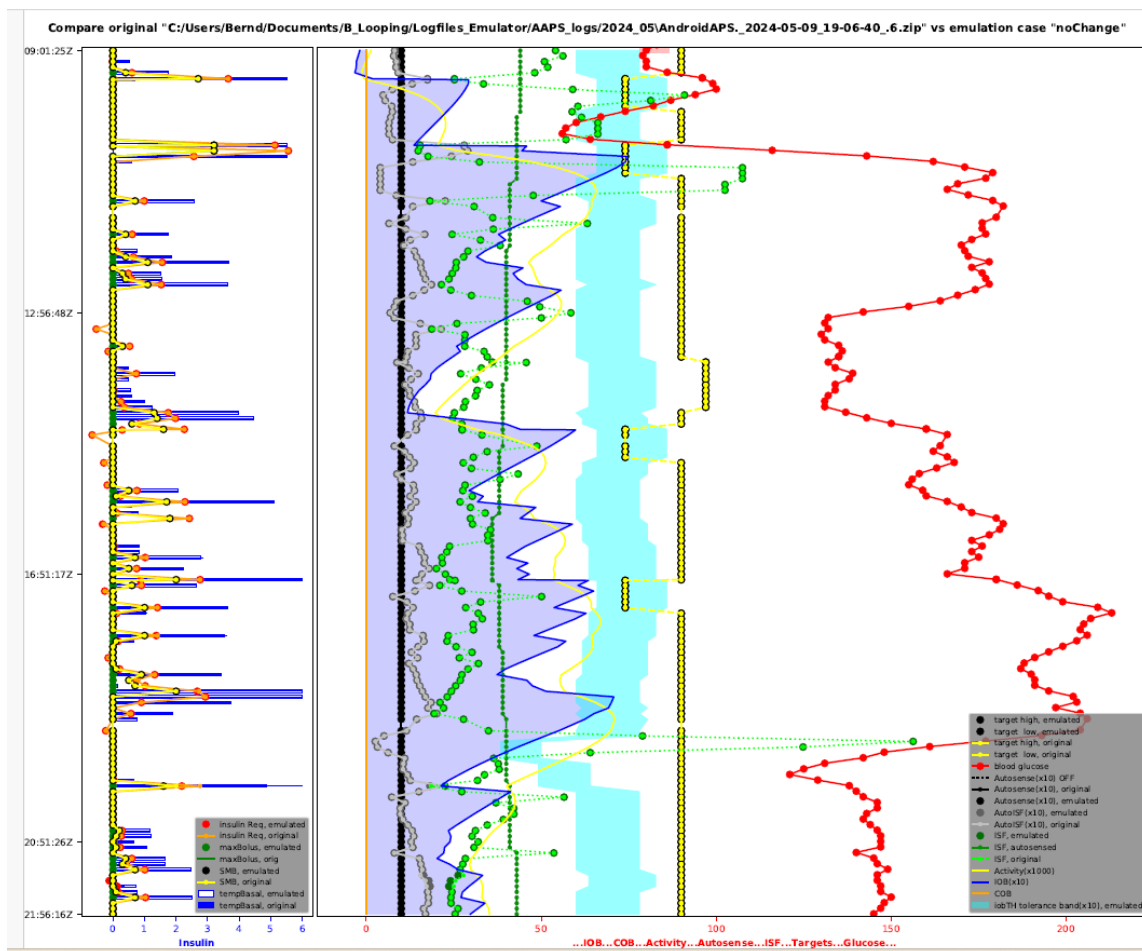
- 243 • Thin yellow line: Insulin activity

- 244 • Green dotted line: ISF as would result from AAPS w/Autosens

- 245 • Green scatter points: autoISF ISF no Chage (lighter points) or what-if (darker points)

- 246 • Black line: Profile ISF

- Gray scatter points: ISF weakened (to the left of black line) or strengthened (to the right)
- Orange line: cob=0 at all times (in FCL)



More see discussed together with (yourChanges).pdf in [section 10.3.3.4](#)

10.3 “What-if” analysis using the emulator

In the following you see an example how you can analyze a day of logfiles, and selecting the time span of interest, for instance 11-24 h to look at how autoISF managed lunch and dinner.

You have to go through the emulator twice. You already did it ([section 10.2.](#)) using the no change.vdf, and now start over with the same emulator with your (desired changes).vdf. Repeat, if you have two or more such vdf defined. (Just clear results before executing analysis each time. No worries, all results are automatically captured for all runs, all in your selected study file).

267 10.3.1 Define your investigated changes in a, or in several, (yourChanges).vdf

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269 Define for which one to max three parameters in your current profile settings you want to look into a
270 different setting. Recommendation is to use a factor, like for example $\text{current setting} * 0.9$, or current
271 setting $* 1.2$, and use that in your naming for this vdf file, too. Check [APS-what-if /Documentation in](#)
272 [English/Guide to VDF Files for the AAPS Emulator.pdf](#) in [section 3](#).

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274 Within the same study, you can make several runs with several vdf files.

275 All results, like the csv results table, will appear then several times in your study file, only with different
276 name endings as in the underlying vdf.

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278 Example: I like to check in my actual data (they are in my noChange.vdf emulator run), **in which time**
279 **points the following parameter changes would make a** (how) big **difference** in the loop's decision:

- 280 • 20% higher bgAccel_ISF_weight to boost the first SMBs stronger: How would that tend to ramp
281 up early iob; and might that get too strong in other parts of the data? Or does it bounce into a
282 restriction (maxSMB size; autoISFmax; iobTH...) that I might need to widen?
- 283 • Doubling my cautiously set bgBrake_ISF_weight shall give me insight into the workings of that
284 parameter (and whether using a much smaller weight than for bgAccel_ISF_weight is really
285 what I should keep doing)
- 286 • As my bg came down from a persistent high quite slowly, I elevate the dura_ISF by 20%

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288 Actually, it would make more sense to first find my “optimal”, maybe indeed elevated,
289 bgAccel_ISF_weight. *Then*, do a noChange (!) run **with that**, plus a (yourChanges) run with the stronger
290 dura weight, investigated on that basis.

291 Reason: 1) As we always say, better do only one change at a time. 2) A better job with bg control via
292 bgAccel_ISF will reduce the peak height and provide a different (easier) scenario for dura_ISF to manage.

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294 Now, to **write your (yourChanges). vdf for the emulator** (this is same procedure as you did in section
295 10.2.1 for the noChange.vdf):

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- 297 • just open Notepad++ (from list of all programs on your PC) to create a new vdf.

298 Alternatively you can also take another pre-existing vdf file, and copy it into your current project
299 giving it a new name (re-name it)

- 300 • name your vdf (in our example: 1.2_bgAccel_2.0_bgBrake_1.2_dura.vdf) ...

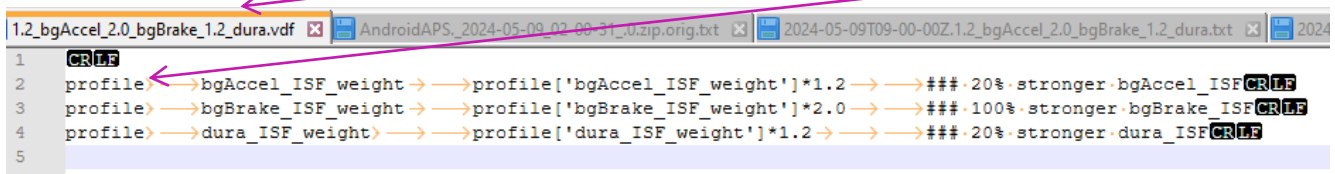
- ... and store that in a file of your current emulator project you are about to start (see my storage path in top line here)

Caution: Make absolutely sure (best by looking it up in the SMB tab, down in the profile set section) to **spell each term exactly** as your loop uses it (probably w/ decimal points, not comma)

- ...when you make one line per parameter (separating entries with spacers->):

profile->(parameter) ->->profile['(parameter)']*(factor)->->###(comment as you like)

The (yourChanges) .vdf should look like something like this:

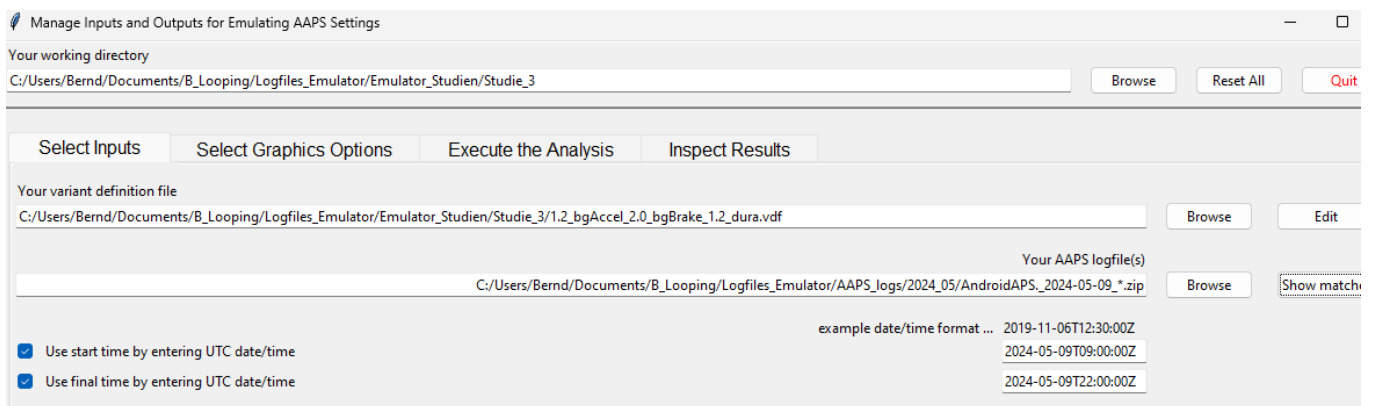


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1 CR LF
2 profile>bgAccel_ISF_weight->->profile['bgAccel_ISF_weight']*1.2->->###.20%.stronger.bgAccel_ISF CR LF
3 profile>bgBrake_ISF_weight->->profile['bgBrake_ISF_weight']*2.0->->###.100%.stronger.bgBrake_ISF CR LF
4 profile>dura_ISF_weight->->profile['dura_ISF_weight']*1.2->->###.20%.stronger.dura_ISF CR LF
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CR = LF= Erase any entries after CR LF and also any entries in lines below, if any

10.3.2 Run the emulator with (yourChanges).vdf

The “what-if” emulator run is done the same way as you did the noChanges run ([section 10.2](#)), however, now , the **(yourChanges).vdf** must be loaded into the 2nd input field, where formerly you had the noChange.vdf.:



In the 3rd input field, give the path to your stored logfiles. A good way to do this is:

- Browse in your Windows Explorer to any logfile from the desired day (2024-05-09 in above example)
- Replace the time with an asterisk * (this means you look at all-day data, in UTZ time). Check whether this will work by pressing Show matches . You should see all logfiles from that day in a pop-up info box.
- As I wanted to look at 11 am –midnight for lunch and dinner related data, I :

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- 331 time (Central EU summer time minus 2 hours = UTZ; so to look at 11 to midnight of
- 332 my AAPS screen, I must enter here 09:00:00Z, and below it 22:00:00Z).

333 After making these entries, press Execute the Analysis, (evtl also Clear old Data) and then press Run
 334 Emulation, you can look the results up under “Inspect Results”. First you could have a quick look into
 335 the **.log** file to see whether the run had errors (see [section 3.](#))

337 10.3.3 Emulation results

Your working directory
 C:/Users/Bernd/Documents/B_Looping/Logfiles_Emulator/Emulator_Studien/Studie_3

Select Inputs | Select Graphics Options | Execute the Analysis | **Inspect Results**

*.log - Your file showing edits from the variant assignments	C:/Users/Bernd/Documents/B_Looping/Logfiles_Emulator/Emulator_Studien/Studie_3/2024-05-09T09-00-00Z.1.2_bgAccel_2.0_bgBrake_1.2_dura.log	Browse	Show
*.csv - Your table comparing key values of original vs emulation	C:/Users/Bernd/Documents/B_Looping/Logfiles_Emulator/Emulator_Studien/Studie_3/2024-05-09T09-00-00Z.1.2_bgAccel_2.0_bgBrake_1.2_dura.csv	Browse	Show
*.delta - Your table comparing bg deltas of original vs emulation	C:/Users/Bernd/Documents/B_Looping/Logfiles_Emulator/Emulator_Studien/Studie_3/2024-05-09T09-00-00Z.1.2_bgAccel_2.0_bgBrake_1.2_dura.delta	Browse	Show
*.orig.txt - Your short log of original analysis	C:/Users/Bernd/Documents/B_Looping/Logfiles_Emulator/Emulator_Studien/Studie_3/2024-05-09T09-00-00Z.orig.txt	Browse	Show
*.txt - Your short log of emulated analysis	C:/Users/Bernd/Documents/B_Looping/Logfiles_Emulator/Emulator_Studien/Studie_3/2024-05-09T09-00-00Z.1.2_bgAccel_2.0_bgBrake_1.2_dura.txt	Browse	Show
*.pdf etc. - Your graphic file comparing key values of original vs emulation	C:/Users/Bernd/Documents/B_Looping/Logfiles_Emulator/Emulator_Studien/Studie_3/2024-05-09T09-00-00Z.1.2_bgAccel_2.0_bgBrake_1.2_dura.pdf	Browse	Show

340 All results from your (yourChanges).vdf emulator go automatically where the noChange.vdf results are
 341 already stored, in our example into the “Studie 3” file, below:

342 Besides the 1.2_bgAccel_2.0_bgBrake_1.2_dura.vdf case which I like to look into for the present high carb
 343 meal, I also prepared another vdf that investigates a factor 1.2 stronger pp_ISF and a weaker, factor 0.8,
 344 bgAccel_ISF (with the intention to test this, and a noChange, on a low carb meal later.

B_Looping > Logfiles_Emulator > Emulator_Studien > Studie_3				Studie_3 durchsuchen
Sortieren ▾ Anzeigen ▾ ...				
Name	Änderungsdatum	Typ	Größe	
2024-05-09T09-00-00Z .noChange.pdf	15.05.2024 17:17	Adobe Acrobat-D...	77 KB	
2024-05-09T09-00-00Z .noChange.csv	15.05.2024 17:17	Microsoft Excel C...	51 KB	
2024-05-09T09-00-00Z .noChange.log	15.05.2024 17:17	Notepad++ Docu...	35 KB	
2024-05-09T09-00-00Z .noChange.txt	15.05.2024 17:17	Notepad++ Docu...	281 KB	
2024-05-09T09-00-00Z .orig.txt	15.05.2024 17:17	Notepad++ Docu...	281 KB	
2024-05-09T09-00-00Z .1.2_pp_0.8_bgAccel.pdf	15.05.2024 17:16	Adobe Acrobat-D...	78 KB	
2024-05-09T09-00-00Z .1.2_pp_0.8_bgAccel.csv	15.05.2024 17:16	Microsoft Excel C...	51 KB	
2024-05-09T09-00-00Z .1.2_pp_0.8_bgAccel.log	15.05.2024 17:16	Notepad++ Docu...	57 KB	
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noChange.vdf	07.05.2024 19:57	VDF-Datei	1 KB	

10.3.4(yourChange).txt: “what-if” impact on loop decisions (as in SMB tab)

The **noChange.txt** has all the info your series of SMB tabs had that day.

How to search in this vast list is shown elsewhere (see [section 10.2.4.3](#)).

Likewise, the **(yourChanges).txt** gives *for each loop decision* in all detail how and why each single decision *would have* changed with the different parameter inputs you are checking out here

In the two (yourChanges) examples here, , it was a check on the difference

- a 20% stronger pp_weight and 20% weaker bgAccel_weight
- a 20% stronger weight for both, bgAccel_ and dura_ISF, and a doubling of bgBrake_weight

would make.

Note that all these “what if” data can only give rough hints, notably about **the first** greater change that you would see with the investigated changed setting. So it works quite well for our main problem in FCL, investigating how to ramp up iob quickly after detection of acceleration.

368 Note that any relevant change would put your bg curve on a different trajectory, so that would influence *all*
369 *following* results. Therefore, what you get here is **not** a complete modelling how your bg would have
370 developed in the alternative scenario.
371 But you can investigate in which stages the parameter(s) you are looking at in your current “what-if” had big
372 influence, and in which direction the changes would go. (see also charts shown in [section 10.3.3.4](#)).
373 Analyzing how to safely come down from a high glucose plateau while limiting hypo danger towards the end
374 of digestion is also to some extent possible.

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376 A good other way to employ the what-if analysis is real time, on your smartphone, using speech synthesis
377 (see [section 11](#)): Then you get real-time info, as to exactly when a significantly different proposal would
378 emerge, and can decide (and watch!) real-time whether to follow the new idea and not was probably better.

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380 Observe that a setting change must work well for you

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- not just in one point of time, and

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- not just for one kind of meal,

383 but you must look at all time slots in the investigated meal, plus analyze with the same tool a totally different
384 meal within your usual spectrum, how things work out there

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386 10.3.3.2 Tabular results

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388 A) .csv results table and spreadsheet copies of it

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390 The **noChange.csv** table gives all relevant data. Besides development of bg and iob you see the calculated
391 insulinRequired in each loop decision, and how each of the autoISF categories contributed to the decision
392 (notably regarding SMB size).

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394 Note that the “**acce_ISF**” results are only in case of positive acceleration (that is our main focus)
395 driven by the bgAccel_ISF_weight setting. (These are all positions > 1.0 in the “acce ISF” columns).

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397 **In case of negative acceleration** (decelerating rise, positions < 1.0 in the “**acce ISF**” columns),
398 **bgBrake_ISF_weight** is applied. As discussed in [section 4.4](#), bgBrake_ISF might be most
399 important (and interesting to analyze) in slowly resorbing meals.

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401 Note: maxBolus=0 means in this table that SMBs were not capped by maxBolus.

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404 The **(your changes).csv** shows in detail how **every single** loop **decision** would be influenced by the different
405 settings you are investigating.

406 To inspect that huge table, click on the Z behind the start UTC time entry (see black box in the Z column of
407 the table, next page).

408 If you like to see the bg in each screen, too, go 3 or 4 columns farther to the right with your black
409 box.

410 Then, go to window/fix. Now you can scroll through the data and always see headline and time (or time and
411 bg level).

412 To further ease analysis, feel free to temporarily erase (hide) any columns that you (think you) do not
413 need for the intended analysis. More suggestions see in [section 10.2.4.2](#)

The screenshot shows the LibreOffice Calc interface with a spreadsheet titled "2024-05-09T09-00-00Z.1.2_pp_0.8_bgAccel.csv". A context menu is open over the "Z" column header, showing options: "Neues Fenster", "Fenster schließen", "Teilen", and "Fixieren". The spreadsheet contains a table with columns: id, UTC time, Z, UNIX time, bg accel, bg brake, target low, orig, orig, emul, emul, cob, job, emul, emul, act, orig, orig, and utes. The data rows are numbered 0 to 37. The "Z" column header is highlighted with a black box.

id	UTC time	Z	UNIX time	bg accel	bg brake	target low	orig	orig	emul	emul	cob	job	emul	emul	act	orig	orig	utes
0	0,3759837963	Z	1715245285,9	80			90	90	90	90	0	-0,18	6	7,8	0,001	1	0,81	10
1	0,3793981481	Z	1715245580,3	79	79		90	90	90	90	0	-0,23	6	7,8	0,001	1	0,78	15
2	0,3829166667	Z	1715245884,2	80			90	90	90	90	0	-0,28	6	7,8	0	1	0,86	20
3	0,386412037	Z	1715246186,2	80			90	90	90	90	0	-0,28	6	7,8	-0,001	1	0,85	25
4	0,3898263889	Z	1715246482	86			90	90	90	90	0	-0,33	6	7,8	-0,001	1	0,91	0
5	0,393587963	Z	1715246806,8	96			74	74	74	74	0	0,18	6,6	8,58	-0,001	1	1,75	0
6	0,3942013889	Z	1715246859,5	96			74	74	74	74	0	2,92	6,6	8,58	0	1	1,75	0
7	0,3968055556	Z	1715247084,8	99			74	74	74	74	0	2,92	6,6	8,58	0,005	1	1,31	5
8	0,4002430556	Z	1715247381,7	100	100		74	74	74	74	0	2,83	6,6	8,58	0,011	1	0,75	10
9	0,4037384259	Z	1715247683,2	94	94		74	74	74	74	0	2,72	6,6	8,58	0,015	1	0,48	0
10	0,4071643519	Z	1715247979,7	87	87		74	74	74	74	0	2,59	6,6	8,58	0,018	1	0,54	0
11	0,4107407407	Z	1715248288,8	82	82		74	74	74	74	0	2,45	6,6	8,58	0,02	1	0,73	0
12	0,4141435185	Z	1715248583	74	74		90	90	90	90	0	2,3	6	7,8	0,022	1	0,75	0
13	0,4176273148	Z	1715248883,1	67	67		90	90	90	90	0	2,14	6	7,8	0,022	1	0,7	0
14	0,4210300926	Z	1715249177,9	60	60		90	90	90	90	0	1,99	6	7,8	0,023	1	0,65	0
15	0,4245949074	Z	1715249485,3	57	57		90	90	90	90	0	1,82	6	7,8	0,023	1	0,65	0
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17	0,4315277778	Z	1715250084,6	64			90	90	90	90	0	1,51	6	7,8	0,021	1	0,75	0
18	0,435	Z	1715250384,3	86			74	74	74	74	0	1,36	6,6	8,58	0,02	1	2,8	0
19	0,4355787037	Z	1715250434,4	86			74	74	74	74	0	4,58	6,6	8,58	0,021	1	2,8	0
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21	0,4419675926	Z	1715250987	143			74	74	74	74	0	7,44	6,6	8,58	0,038	1	2,43	0
22	0,4454513889	Z	1715251287,7	162	162		74	74	74	74	0	7,4	6,6	8,58	0,048	1	1,33	0
23	0,4490046296	Z	1715251594,5	171	171		74	74	74	74	0	7,15	6,6	8,58	0,055	1	0,4	0
24	0,452349537	Z	1715251883,2	179	179		74	74	74	74	0	6,84	6,6	8,58	0,06	1	0,4	5
25	0,4558217593	Z	1715252183,5	177	177		90	90	90	90	0	6,48	6	7,8	0,063	1	0,4	10
26	0,4594328704	Z	1715252495,4	169	169		90	90	90	90	0	6,1	6	7,8	0,065	1	0,4	15
27	0,4630208333	Z	1715252805,5	166	166		90	90	90	90	0	5,72	6	7,8	0,066	1	0,4	5
28	0,4662847222	Z	1715253087,3	172	172		90	90	90	90	0	5,37	6	7,8	0,065	1	0,86	25
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30	0,4731828704	Z	1715253683,7	182			90	90	90	90	0	5,54	6,36	8,27	0,064	1	1,33	10
31	0,480162037	Z	1715254286,4	180			90	90	90	90	0	4,81	6,36	8,27	0,063	1	1,13	0
32	0,4837731481	Z	1715254598,6	176	176		90	90	90	90	0	4,44	6,36	8,27	0,061	1	0,65	5
33	0,4873032407	Z	1715254903,9	176			90	90	90	90	0	4,09	6	7,8	0,059	1	1,13	10
34	0,4905555556	Z	1715255184,4	177			90	90	90	90	0	3,78	6	7,8	0,056	1	1,67	15
35	0,4940625	Z	1715255487,9	173			90	90	90	90	0	3,98	6	7,8	0,054	1	1,26	20
36	0,4974884259	Z	1715255783,9	170	170		90	90	90	90	0	3,69	6	7,8	0,053	1	1,07	25
37	0,5009722222	Z	1715256084,7	171			90	90	90	90	0	3,39	6	7,8	0,05	1	1,38	30

414 Still, the csv tables are overwhelming. You could proceed in either of two directions now:
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A) Convert both (or all 3) csv files into one table in Excel or into Libre office calculator. Hide columns (and eventually also lines) that are of no particular interest for your analysis. Mark differences between noChange and (yourChanges) column data with color, add extra columns with additional calculations ...

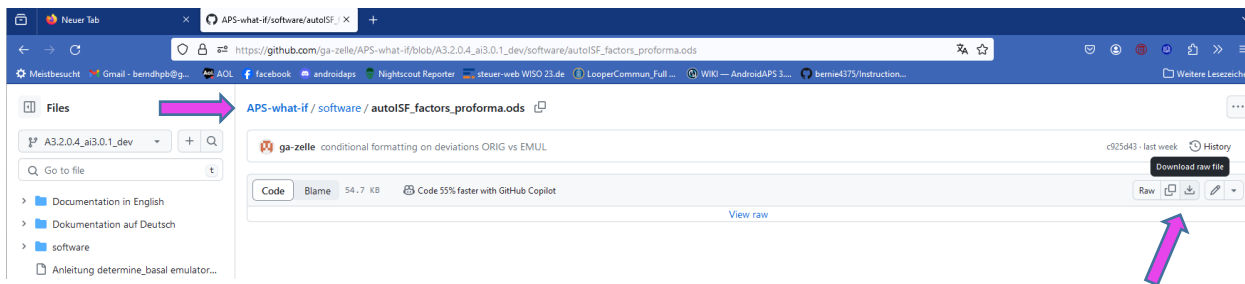
This route is good to compare quantitative impacts of autoISF categories in critical time points.

B) For the core data relevant to assessing your autoISF settings, there is an extra tool for convenient analysis - see the following [section 10.3.3.3](#)

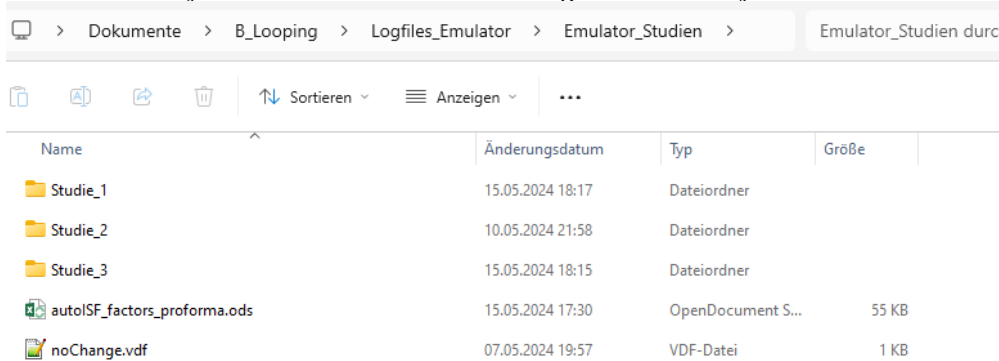
That tool is quite a bit of work to set up. Decide for yourself whether you do it, or whether you rather work with extracting the csv table into Excel (A), and work freely from there.

10.3.3.3 Automated extraction from tabular results

autoISF_factors_proforma.ods is provided as an **extra tool** that you download from here:



Put that file on your PC one level above the single files for all your studies:



Now, if we want to use this tool on the two csv files of our Studie_3 file, we must proceed as follows (for each of the two .csv files, *separately*):

1. Click on the .csv file and open in Libre office calculator.
2. Make sure the time column is set to US_English:

Textimport - [2024-05-09T09-00-00Z%20.1.2_pp_0.8_bgAccel.csv]

Importieren

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Sprache: Standard - Deutsch (Deutschland)

Ab Zeile: 1

Trennoptionen

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☒ Tabulator ☐ Komma ☒ Semikolon ☐ Leerzeichen ☐ Andere

☐ Feldtrenner zusammenfassen Texttrenner: "

Weitere Optionen

☐ Werte in Hochkomma als Text ☒ Erweiterte Zahlenerkennung

Feldbefehle

Spaltentyp: US-Englisch

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1		UTC		UNIX	bg	bg	target	
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3	id						orig	
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5	1	09:06:20 Z		1715245580,3	79	79	90	
6	2	09:11:24 Z		1715245884,2	80		90	
7	3	09:16:26 Z		1715246186,2	80		90	
8	4	09:21:21 Z		1715246482,0	86		90	

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3. Now start, in Libre office calculator, the autoISF_factors_proforma.ods ...

This turns the first 30-some lines of your csv table (left side) into a form in which important effects are highlighted in color, and formatting is improved:



Now, you want this for the entire table.

445 In the autoISF_factors_proforma table, highlight 20 or more lines (not including the first or last), and mouse
446 right hand/insert above ...

autoISF_factors_proforma.ods - LibreOffice Calc

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				1	1,81	0	141	10	9,1	1	20	10,7	13,84	1	1,81	1,05	1,22
				1	1,81	0	141	10	9,1	1	20	10,7	13,84	1	1,81	1,05	1,22
				1	1,69	0	141	5	11,4	1	20	10,7	13,84	1	1,69	1,05	1,22
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				1	0,57	10	148,7	40	5,4	0,99	20	-2,41	-6,96	1	0,5	1,06	1
				1	1,11	20	146,6	10	-1,5	1	14,9	-2	-3,01	1	0,88	1,06	1
				1	1,1	25	145,7	10	-3,5	0,99	15	-4,6	-6,6	1	0,77	1,05	1
				1	0,86	5	138,5	10	-5	1	24,9	-5,53	-7	1	0,83	1,03	1
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449 Do this as often as you need to create the number of lines that your emulated csv file comes with.
450 If you ended up with too many lines, erase the superfluous number (any four, in the example):

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149	20	11:44:15	0	1	0,57	10	148,7	40	5,4	0,99	20	-2,41	-6,96	1	0,5	1,06	1	
150	21	11:49:16	0	1	1,11	20	146,6	10	-1,5	1	14,9	-2	-3,01	1	0,88	1,06	1	
151	22	11:54:16	0	1	1,1	25	145,7	10	-3,5	0,99	15	-4,6	-6,6	1	0,77	1,05	1	
152	23	11:59:14	0	1	0,86	5	138,5	10	-5	1	24,9	-5,53	-7	1	0,83	1,03	1	
153	24	12:04:14	0	1	1,22	10	136,7	15	-4,4	1	15	-3,4	-2,4	1	1,22	1,03	1	
154	25	12:08:45	0	1	1,21	10	136,7	5	-3	1	15	-3,4	-2,4	1	0,88	0,99	1	
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452 Then just copy it in, by selecting all data lines in the emulated csv, and pasting (paste special, values only)
453 into box A4 of your “elonged” autoISF_factors_performa.ods.

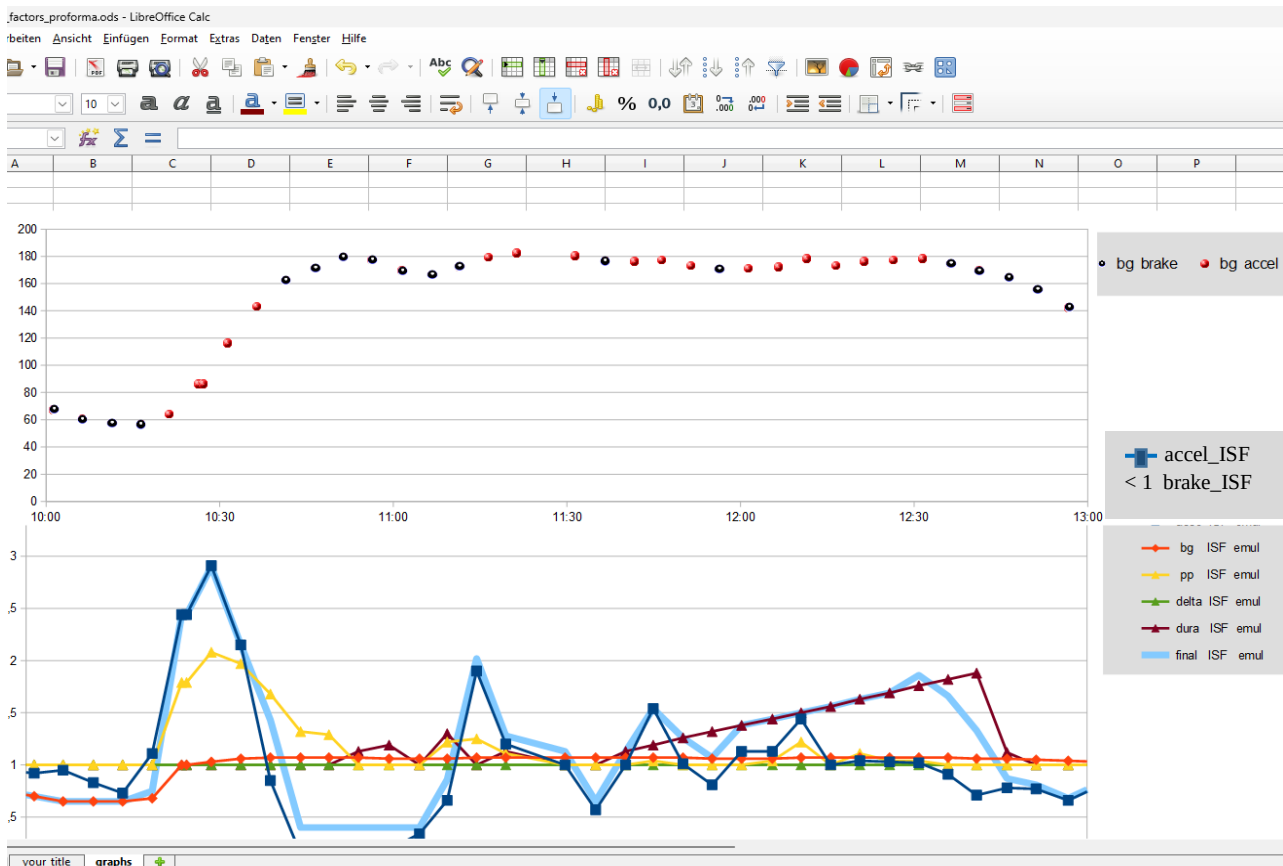
454 The bottom tab “your_title” should be re-named by you, best with day of log you analyze, and your what-if
455 parameters (so, the name of your csv file could be put in here)

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457 **Now you have a table with optimized lay-out that incorporates key data from both your no change**
458 **AND of your investigated changes.csv files.**

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460 A super neat extra feature is already pre-programmed, which you can see if you click on the bottom **tab**
461 **“graphs”**.

462 The top graph is the bg curve (the actually seen bg).

463 Note that for the what-if no bg development over the time range is available. (The noChange one is
464 also given there).



465 The bottom graph (do one for each, the noChange or the (yourChanges) case) shows the amplification factors
 466 coming from each autoISF category, and the overall resulting ISF amplification.

468 You probably have to widen the time scale (double click on the time axis, and type the desired time
 469 span (min and max UTC)(and spacing of data points, 00:30:00 or 00:15:00) into this box:

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Skalierung

☐ Richtung umkehren

☐ Logarithmische Skalierung

Minimum 10:00:00 ☐ Automatisch

Maximum 15:30:00 ☐ Automatisch

Hauptintervall 00:30:00 ☐ Automatisch

Hilfsintervall Schritte 5 ☐ Automatisch

OK Abbr

470 In the given example above, the 2.5 hours were not enough yet to analyze this 10:30 UTC (12:30 AAPS)
 471 lunch; we need to look until bg is near target (hopefully before dinner starts).

473 A similar graph is available on the (i-)phone if you use the autoISF dev variant of iAPS (and maybe
 474 of Trio, in the near future). See also [section 11.3](#)

476 10.3.3.4 Chart coming with the emulator

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478 In case you find the extra steps described in the preceding section “too much”, also the emulator offers one
479 chart (the pdf offered at the bottom of the screen as shown below the “[10.3.3](#) Emulaton results” headline).

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481 First look at the initial bg rise in the noChange.pdf chart (emulation results from your noChange.vdf run),
482 and see how bgAccel_ISF and pp_ISF acted, or could have acted in improved ways.

483 Then look into in (yourChange).pdf to see potential effects (or what other change to try). (Actually, you
484 probably will have to go into a detrailed analysis of several lines and columns of the tables as discussed in
485 sections [10.3.3.2](#) and [10.3.3.3](#)).

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487 Note that ideally we want FCL coverage of our entire “normal day” meal spectrum by one set of
488 settings. So, **not much is gained if you put a lot of effort in optimizing FCL settings for one**
489 **meal.**

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491 You will need iterations. Do such analysis for **two or three very different meals** that you wish the
492 algorithm to automatically handle. See [section 4.2/4.3](#) on how meals with very different carb loads
493 might benefit or also suffer from too aggressive or to mild (category)_ISF_weights you could set.

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496 The initial iob received might be limited by allowed SMB sizes, autoISFmax, or the (dynamic!) iobTH. You
497 will have to look into the data table to find out about this (a quick orientation - notably regarding the light
498 blue iobTH band, see next page - is also possible in the pdf result files you have in your project file (project
499 file example “Studie 3” in 2nd chart under the [10.3.3](#). headline).

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501 Only once you found OK weights for bgAccel- and pp_ISF_weights, does it make sense to go tune the
502 dura_ISF_weight. 12:00 – 12:45 UTC in above graph, the resulting effective ISF is dominated by dura_ISF.
503 Just judging from the picture, a stronger weight might be worth trying. However, we really need to see the
504 insulinRequired calculation and the further development because impatience about bringing bg values down
505 faster too often results in hypoglycemia later.

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507 The **noChange.pdf** is a chart that shows along the time axis (down), from right to left:

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- Red: the bg curve
- Yellow: the bg target (note that I do no manual “EatingSoonTT” but for bg rises over +10 mg/dl I have an Automation that sets low TT for a couple of minutes)
- Light blue corridor: Left edge is set iobTH, and bandwidth +30% (would be +20% at elevated TT)

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513 • Dark blue line: iob (exceeding twice the iobTH, with temp. SMB shut-off)

514 As bg did not convincingly come down enough, one could hypothesize that iobTH should be
515 elevated. ((But, again, this would have to be confirmed also with other kinds of meals)).

516 • Thin yellow line: Insulin activity

517 • Green dotted line: ISF as would result from AAPS w/Autosens

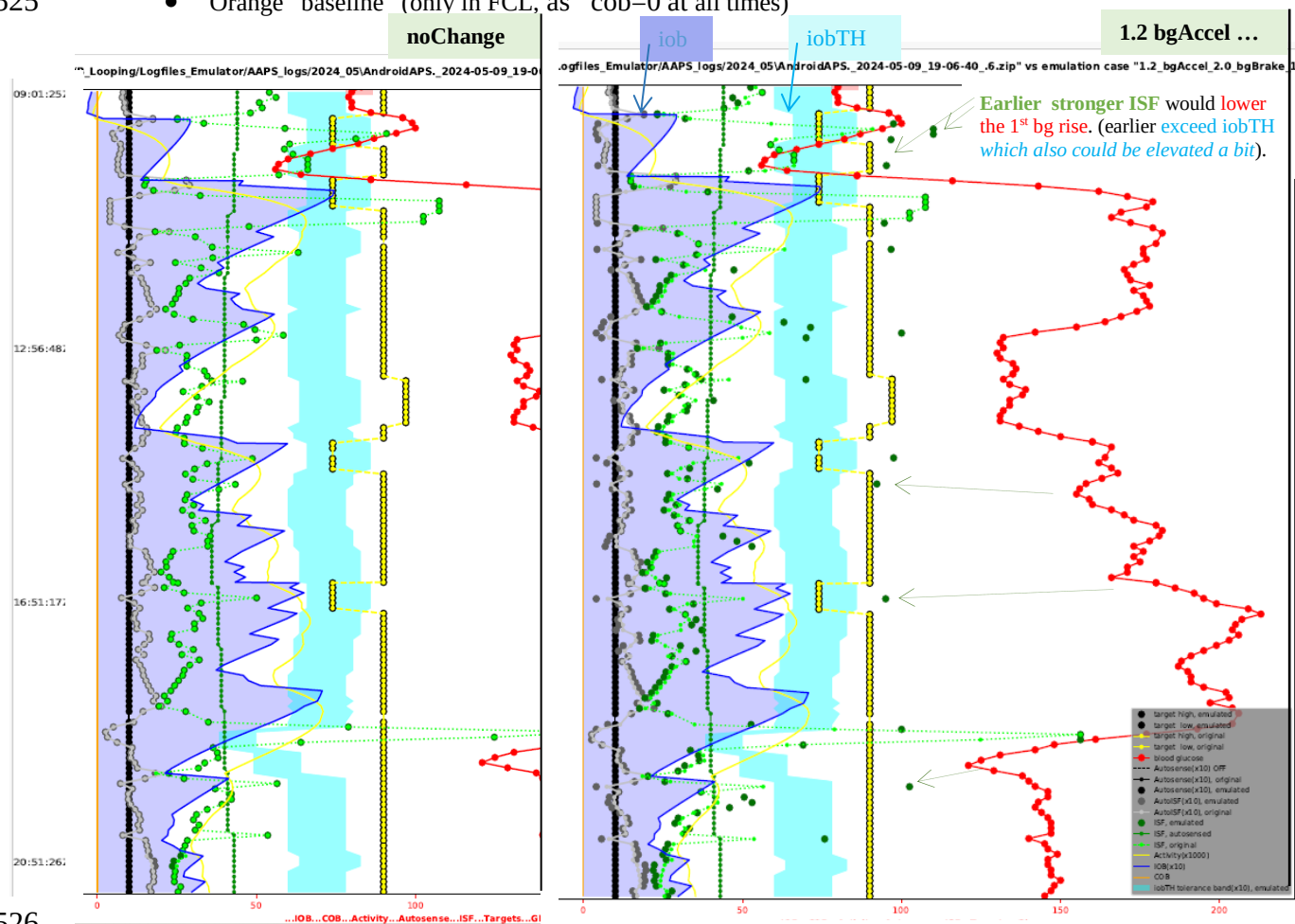
518 • **Green scatter points:** autoISF ISF no Change (lighter points) or **what-if (darker points)**

519 Foreseeably, this is the strongest difference between our noChange (left) and 120% bgAcel_ISF_weight
520 (right) in the picture below. (Note the red bg curve is *both times* the really seen bg, because the what-if
521 case only looks at each single loop decision). The first (->) time the dark green dot is far to the right, this
522 would get the bg down, we *would start to see* a (<-) bg lowering effect, shifting the red curve to the left

523 • Black line: Profile ISF

524 • Gray scatter points: ISF weakened (to the left of black line) or strengthened (to the right)

525 • Orange “baseline” (only in FCL, as cob=0 at all times)



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527 Regarding the other changed parameters: Stronger dura_ISF would suggest more insulin towards the end of
528 plateaus; this should have helped in the 1st plateau (red curve, top right quadrant of the picture). However,
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530 same setting would have to work also on 2nd plateau; the chart cuts off there, so too early to see whether a
531 hypo danger might result.

532 Effect from doubling the bgBrake_ISF effect are hard to evaluate. Better probably to look in .csv tables, or
533 run a separate emulation for that change only.

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535 Always check for 2 or 3 kinds of your meals whether the “new” parameter settings really are on average
536 better. (See negative example in [case study 8.2!](#))

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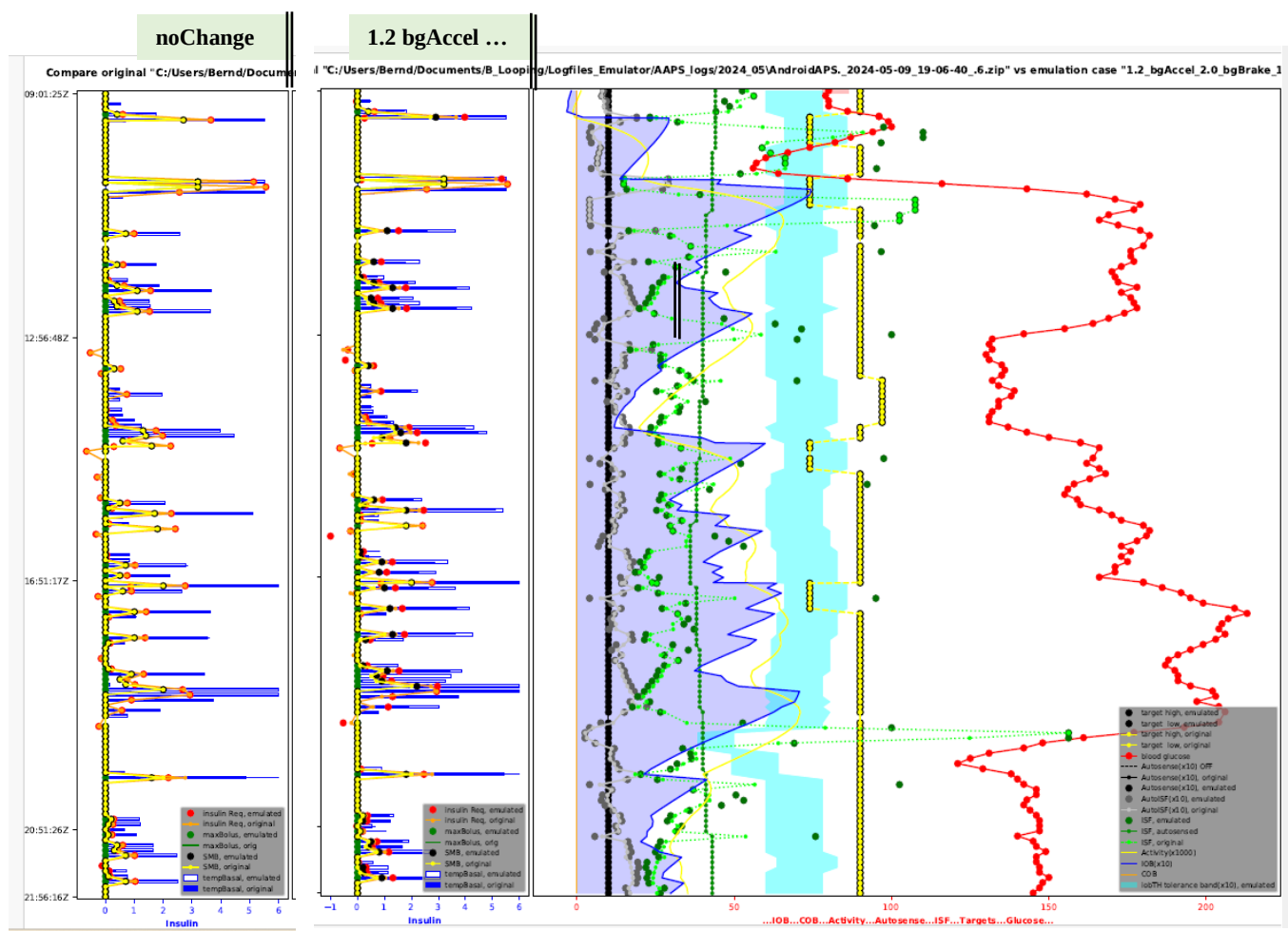
539 Part of both above shown charts (left side of each, with blue peaks) was cut out.....

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541 (Unfinished / to be explained later) (...note: yourChanges = 1.2_bgAccel_2.0_bgBrake_1.2_dura)

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548 Please share your experiences with the emulator in Discord / Full-Closed-Looping / HOW

549 TO / _emulate-aaps, at: <https://discord.gg/n3tD5eXEXC>

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