



Workshop

Analyzing simulation results with IMMA

(Integrated Multi-metrics Model Analyzer)

The Team of Work Package 2



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What does IMMA do?

- IMMA implements a state-of-the-art wide choice of model evaluation procedures
- It allows a simple and quick evaluation processing
 - 1) load data 2) associate them 3) call the procedure
- It is extensible and customizable, and it can run additional procedures obtained from third parties, or you can develop yours and give it to others
- It is capable of doing a global judgment about model quality



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Working with IMMA

- A typical work session with IMMA follows three main steps:
 - Load the two series of data to be compared
 - Associate the two series with some coupling criteria
 - Execute the desired statistical method



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Step 1: Load data

- The typical situation encountered by most modelling researchers is to compare an estimated data series (E – “estimates”) against some experimental results/observations (M - “measures”)
- You can load data from various sources (Excel, CSV files, Bioma output, Databases).
- (If necessary) filter the two series to create a subset of data, according to a given criterion, which is specified with logical operators.
- Once the dataset has been specified, it can be saved in a configuration file, to be retrieved later without repeating the previous operations.




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Configuration ▾ Settings ▾ ? Help ▾

Select and configure the two series readers

Menu

Load series one

Load series two

Plot series

Series One

Select Reader:

Bioma simulation result reader

DB series reader

GDD reference data file reader

CSV file reader

Excel file reader

Fetch first 20 rows

Expand view





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Select and configure the series two reader

Menu

Load series one

Load series two

Plot series

Series One

Select Reader: CSV file reader

Configuration

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Fetch first 20 records

Fetch all records

Abort

Expand view

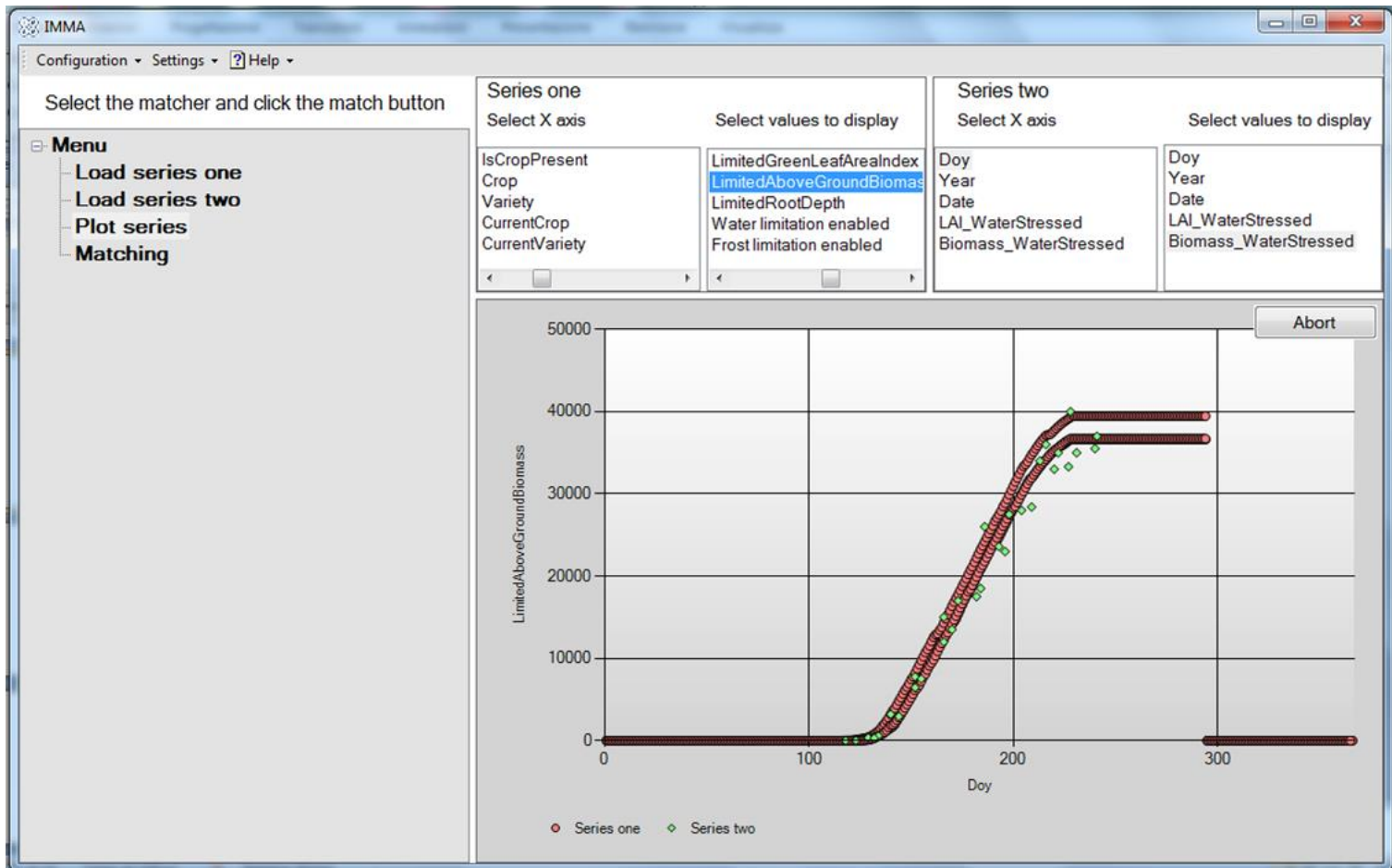


Step 2: Match data

- In order to process data, IMMA needs to know how to couple the two series, to identify the correct pairs.
- In the most typical situation, a continuous daily estimates series is compared to a sparse observation series (simulation outputs are produced for each simulation time-step, while field observations are carried out at intervals).
- In cases like this, you generally extract simulation estimates corresponding to the available observation dates, and generate an equal number of pairs.



	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	Date	LimitedAboveGroundBiomass			Date	LimitedAboveGroundBiomass	
2	03/05/1999	0.06			03/05/1999	0.11	
3	04/05/1999	0.07			14/05/1999	0.93	
4	05/05/1999	0.1			01/06/1999	4.8	
5	06/05/1999	0.12			15/06/1999	5.6	
6	07/05/1999	0.16			01/07/1999	5.99	
7	08/05/1999	0.2			12/07/1999	6.3	
8	09/05/1999	0.27			23/07/1999	4.9	
9	10/05/1999	0.38			01/08/1999	2.7	
10	11/05/1999	0.5			10/08/1999	1.5	
11	12/05/1999	0.66			19/08/1999	0.9	
12	13/05/1999	0.87			28/08/1999	0.7	
13	14/05/1999	1.08			29/08/1999	0.55	
14	15/05/1999	1.18			27/04/2000	0.05	
15	16/05/1999	1.49			08/05/2000	0.9	
16	17/05/1999	1.63			19/05/2000	3.3	
17	18/05/1999	1.85			31/05/2000	4.6	
18	19/05/1999	2.04			14/06/2000	5.9	
19	20/05/1999	2.2			21/06/2000	5.9	
20	21/05/1999	2.34			04/07/2000	6.5	
21	22/05/1999	2.58			16/07/2000	5.95	
22	23/05/1999	2.9			03/08/2000	2.5	
23	24/05/1999	3.19			15/08/2000	1.5	
24	25/05/1999	3.41			12/05/2001	0.7	
25	26/05/1999	3.64			24/05/2001	3.5	
26	27/05/1999	3.86			04/06/2001	5.2	
27	28/05/1999	4.03			19/06/2001	5.3	
28	29/05/1999	4.2			03/07/2001	5.2	
29	30/05/1999	4.35			15/07/2001	5.4	
30	31/05/1999	4.47			28/07/2001	2.5	
31	01/06/1999	4.6			08/08/2001	0.7	
32	02/06/1999	4.71			15/08/2001	0.2	



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Configure the analysis

Menu

Load series one

Load series two

Plot series

Matching

Plot matched data

Analysis

Series matching options

Select matcher Equality matcher ▾

Matching options

Select the columns of the two series to match

Series one columns

Date ▾

Series two columns

Date ▾

Series one columns	Series two columns	Delete
Date	Date	Delete

Series matched. Number of matched pairs:31

Match

Abort





Step 3 – Analysis

- As soon as data are correctly matched, the available statistical methods are displayed, ready to be used.
- A set of CRA.IRENE methods are currently implemented
- Wrapping R methods is ongoing
- To activate methods, an “estimated”, “measured” and “covariate” series must be individuated.





Integrated Metrics Model Analyzer

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Ready for performing analysis

Select the two sets of values to analyze

Reset

Menu

Load series one

Load series two

Plot series

Matching

Plot matched data

Analysis

CRA.IRENE.Strategies.LeastSquares

CRA.IRENE.Strategies.LeastSquares_2

CRA.IRENE.Strategies.Probabilities

CRA.IRENE.Strategies.UnivariateStat

CRA.IRENE.Strategies.UnivariateStat_2

CRA.IRENE.Strategies.PatternIndices

CRA.IRENE.Strategies.KSTest

CRA.IRENE.Strategies.RRMSE

CRA.IRENE.Strategies.IntegratedIndex

Estimated series

Series one - Doy
Series one - Year
Series one - GridNo
Series one - Date
Series one - Stu
Series one - IsCropPresent
Series one - Crop
Series one - Variety
Series one - CurrentCrop
Series one - CurrentVariety
Series one - PotentialYield
Series one - PotentialGreenLeafAreaIndex
Series one - PotentialAboveGroundBiomass
Series one - PotentialRootDepth
Series one - LimitedYield
Series one - LimitedGreenLeafAreaIndex
Series one - LimitedAboveGroundBiomass
Series one - LimitedRootDepth
Series one - Water limitation enabled
Series one - Frost limitation enabled
Series one - Disease limitation enabled

Measured series

Series one - PotentialRootDepth
Series one - LimitedYield
Series one - LimitedGreenLeafAreaIndex
Series one - LimitedAboveGroundBiomass
Series one - LimitedRootDepth
Series one - Water limitation enabled
Series one - Frost limitation enabled
Series one - Disease limitation enabled
Series one - PotentialDVS
Series one - LimitedDVS
Series one - Weather source type
Series one - RotationId
Series one - RotationYear
Series one - VolumetricWaterContentRoote
Series two - Date
Series two - Doy
Series two - Year
Series two - GridNo
Series two - LimitedGreenLeafAreaIndex
Series two - LimitedAboveGroundBiomass
Series two - DevelopmentStage

Covariate

Series one - Doy
Series one - Year
Series one - GridNo
Series one - Date
Series one - Stu
Series one - IsCropPresent
Series one - Crop
Series one - Variety
Series one - CurrentCrop
Series one - CurrentVariety
Series one - PotentialYield
Series one - PotentialGreenLeafAreaIndex
Series one - PotentialAboveGroundBiomass
Series one - PotentialRootDepth
Series one - LimitedYield
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Ready for calling strategies. Select the analysis you want to perform in the left menu



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Strategy LeastSquares

- Fit a linear regression model between two series
- Calculate the residuals
- Plot the results





Strategy Probabilities

- Display probability density functions
- Allows a visual direct assessment of difference between the two series





Strategy UnivariateStat

- Display basic descriptive statistics



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Strategy PatternIndices

- Detect presence of patterns in the residuals respect to an independent covariate





Strategy KSTest

➤ Kolmogorov-Smirnov test





Strategy Integrated Index

- Using fuzzy-logic rules, calculate indicator based on custom-designed aggregated statistics
- Allow to build evaluation criteria around specific needs

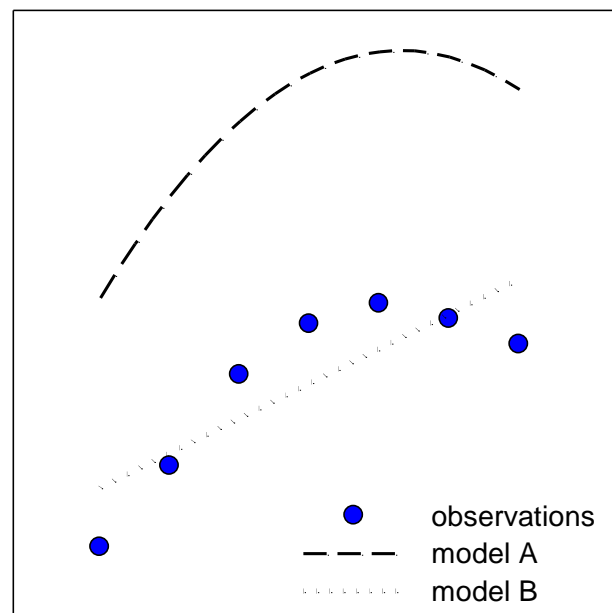


Why Integrated Indices are useful

Which is the best model?

Model A: good reproduction of model behaviour (reliable model), but not very useful

Model B: good accuracy (useful model), but scarce capacity to capture model behaviour (not reliable)



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How to build an Integrated Index

- An Integrated Index is a model evaluation metric whose output depends on the values taken by an array of indices.
- The indices composing the Integrated Index are chosen according to specific evaluation needs.



How to build an Integrated Index

- In IMMA Integrated Indices are based on fuzzy-logic rules:
- They can take values between 0 (= good model performance) and 1 (= bad model performance)



How to build an Integrated Index

➤ To build an Integrated Index:

- Choose the basic indices to aggregate
- For each basic index, it must be specified:
 - **The Weight**
 - The relative importance assigned to the index within the integrated index
 - **The Favourable Limit**
 - The index value, beyond which the user is absolutely sure that the value can be considered «good».
 - **The Unfavourable Limit**
 - The index value, beyond which the user is absolutely sure that the value can be considered «bad».



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How to build an Integrated Index

➤ Some examples:

- RRMSE (%) (the smallest, the better)
 - F-Limit = 20
 - U-Limit = 90
- r Pearson (the highest, the better)
 - F-Limit = 0.90
 - U-Limit = 0.50





Let's start the lab!

