

La fisica dell'atmosfera e del clima : modelli ,
osservazioni, big data con HPCF tools (Anemoi)

Giornata di orientamento alla scelta delle tesi in FISICA

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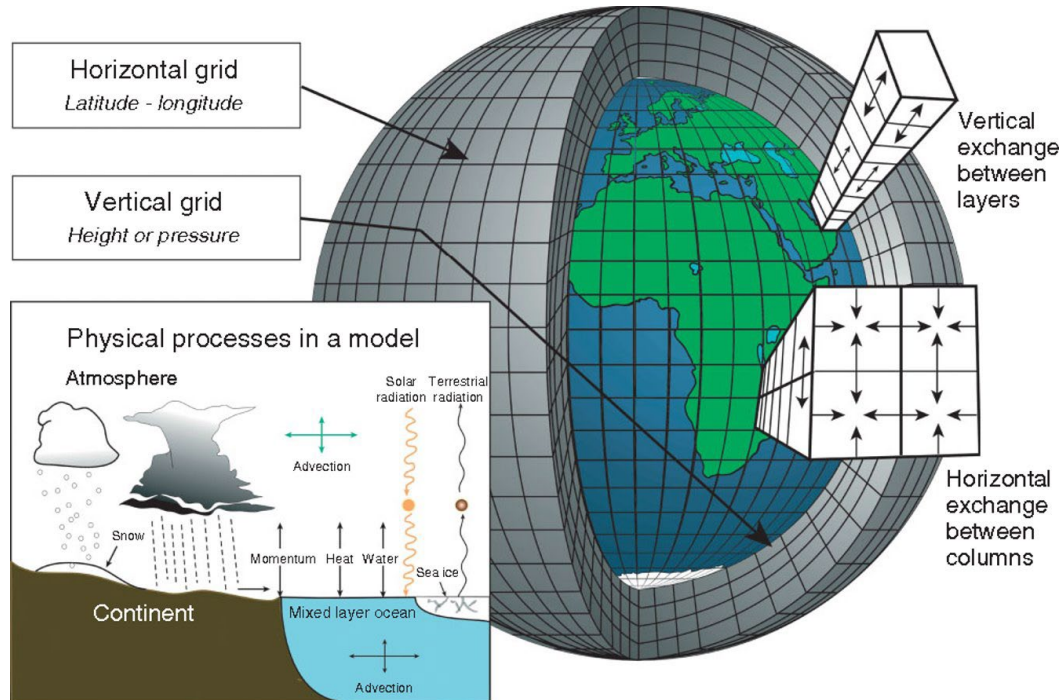
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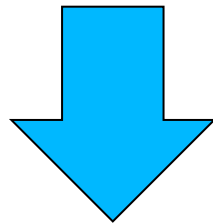
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Modelli numerici

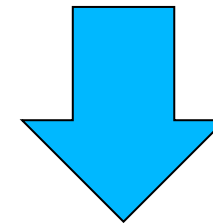
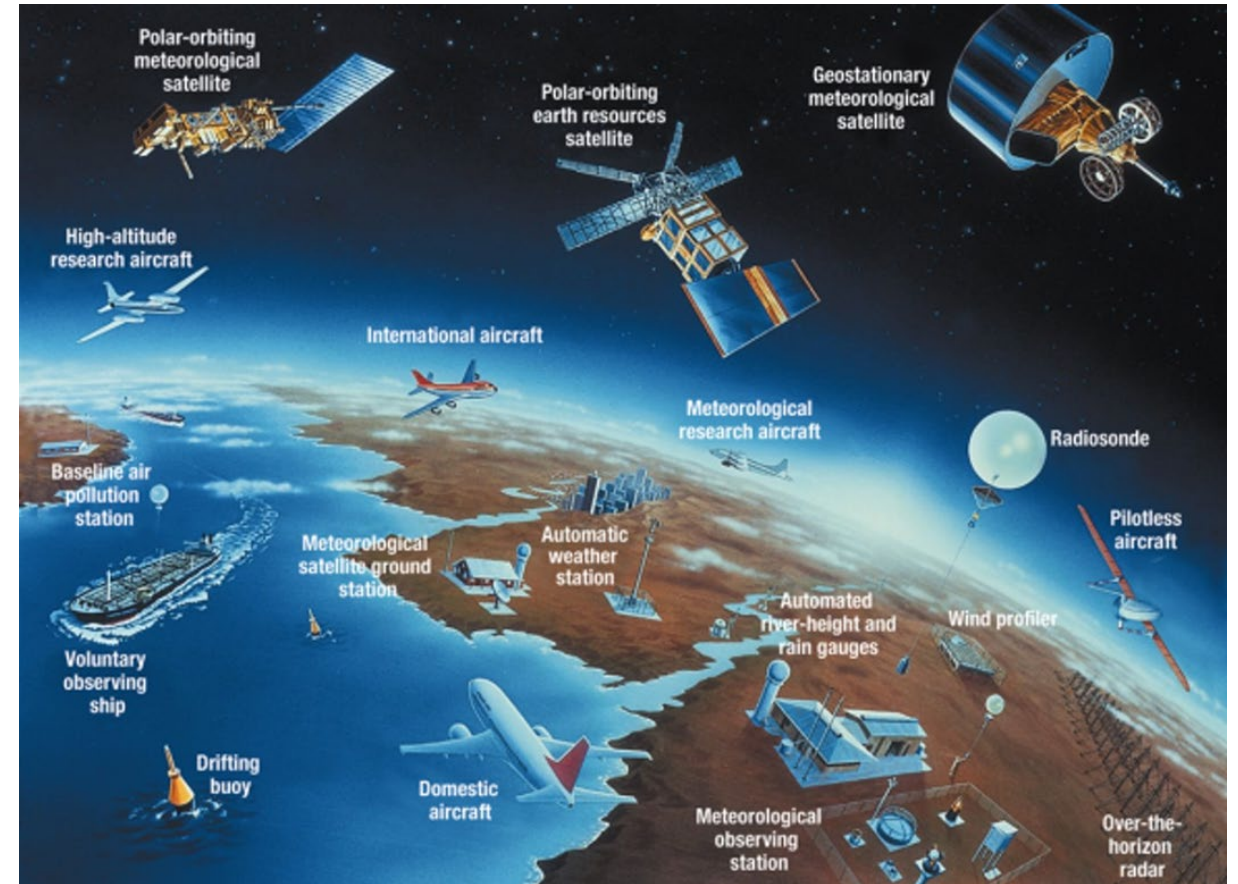


Source: PNAS journal



Fluidodinamica teorica ed applicata allo studio dell'atmosfera

Osservazioni



Dati assimilati dai modelli globali e ad area limitata

**WMO WIGOS,
Sistema
integrato
globale delle
osservazioni**

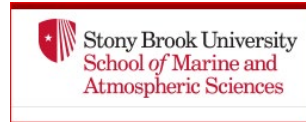
Source:
<https://public.wmo.int/en/about-us/vision-and-mission/wmo-integrated-global-observations>

Modelli e strumenti

Integrated Forecasting System ECMWF



Weather Research & Forecasting Model (WRF) [U.S. NSF](#) National Center for Atmospheric Research
System For Atmospheric Modeling



Python; C++ etc

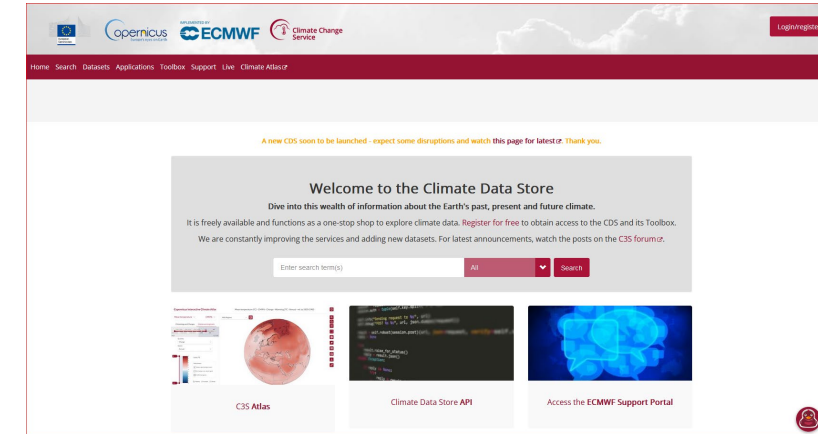
[Python Jupyter Notebooks](#)

NCL <http://www.ncar.ucar.edu>;

METVIEW

Osservazioni

COPERNICUS CDS



E-OBS gridded dataset

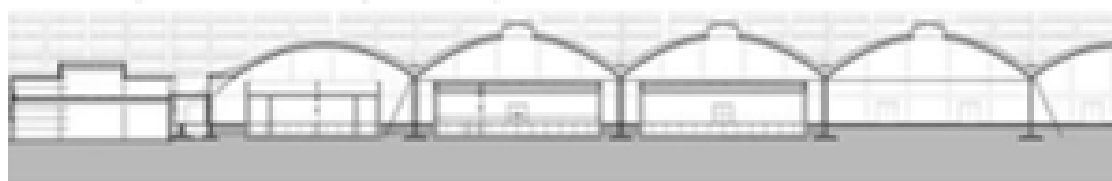
ESA Cloud Climate Change Initiative (CCI) Dataset Collection

The CEDA Archive

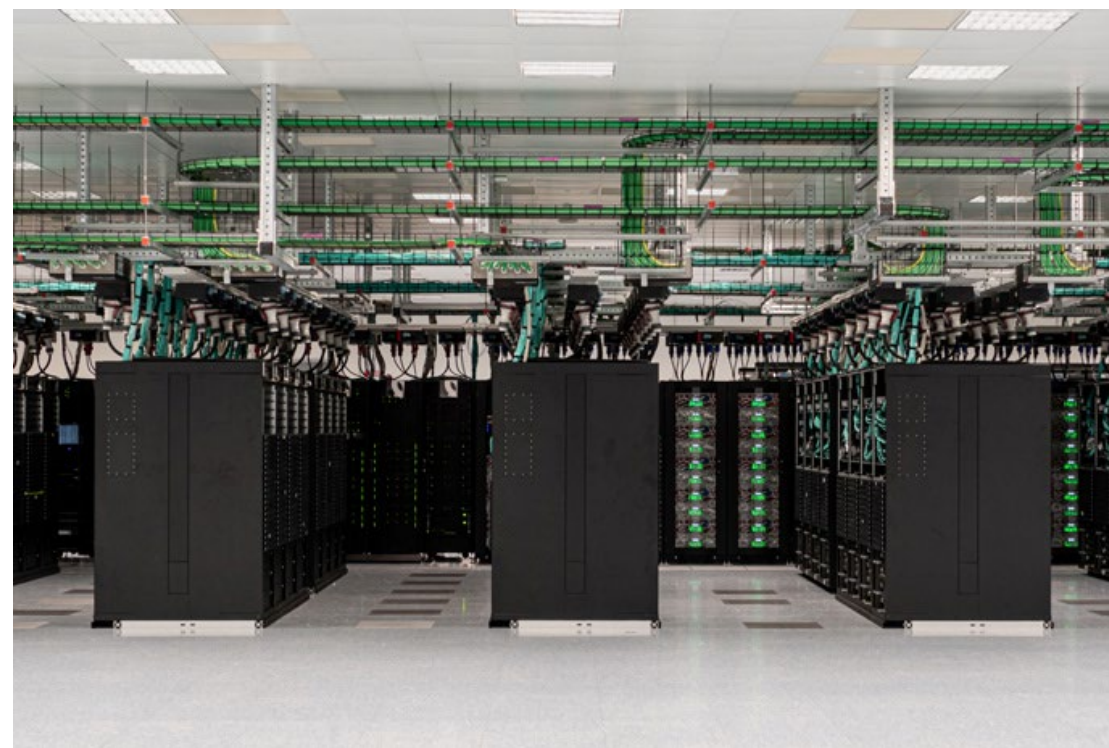
Etc.etc.



HPCF: High Performance Computer Facility

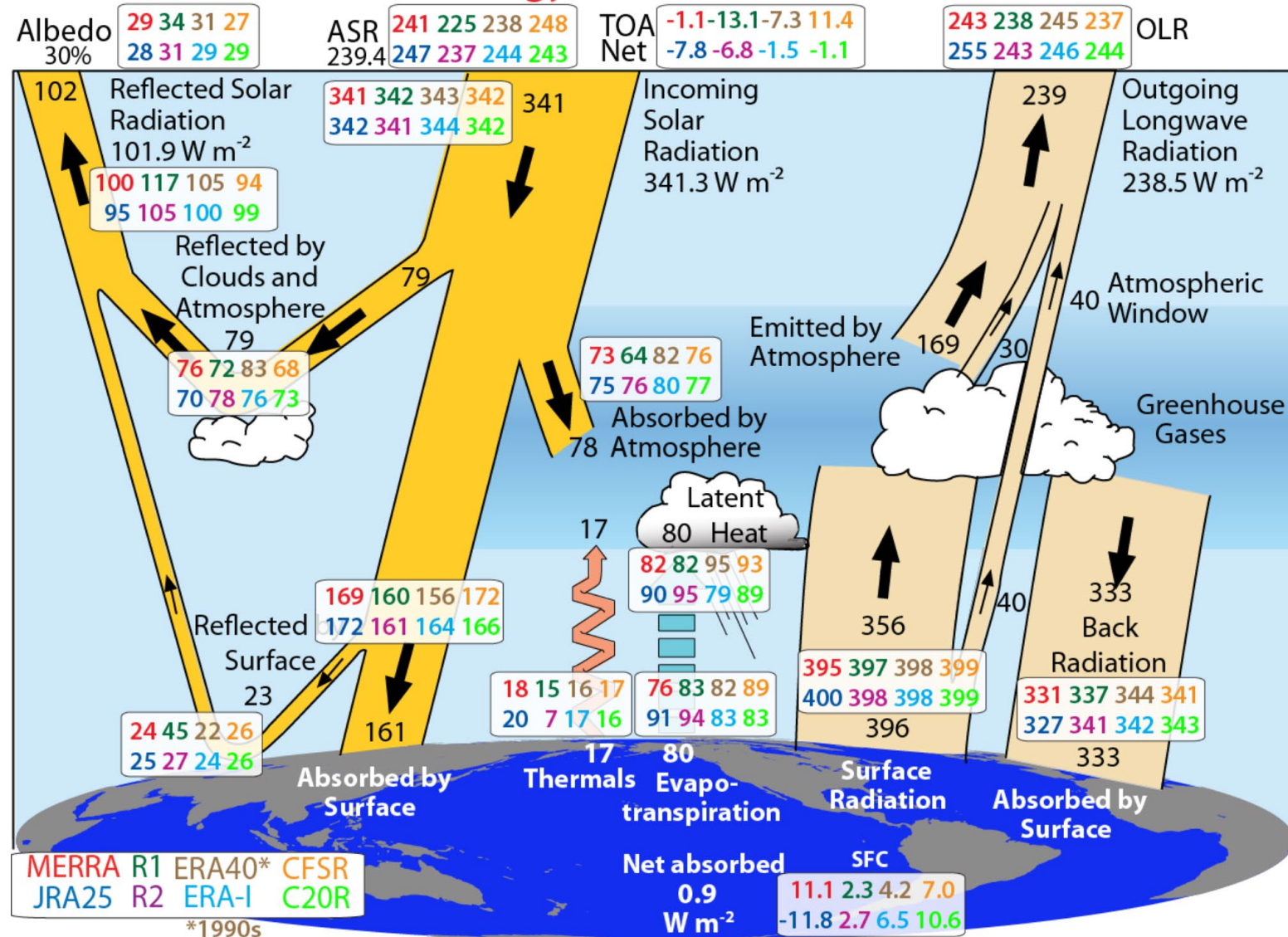


Atos Sequana XH2000 system configuration



Il sistema climatico

Global Energy Flows W m^{-2} : 2002-08

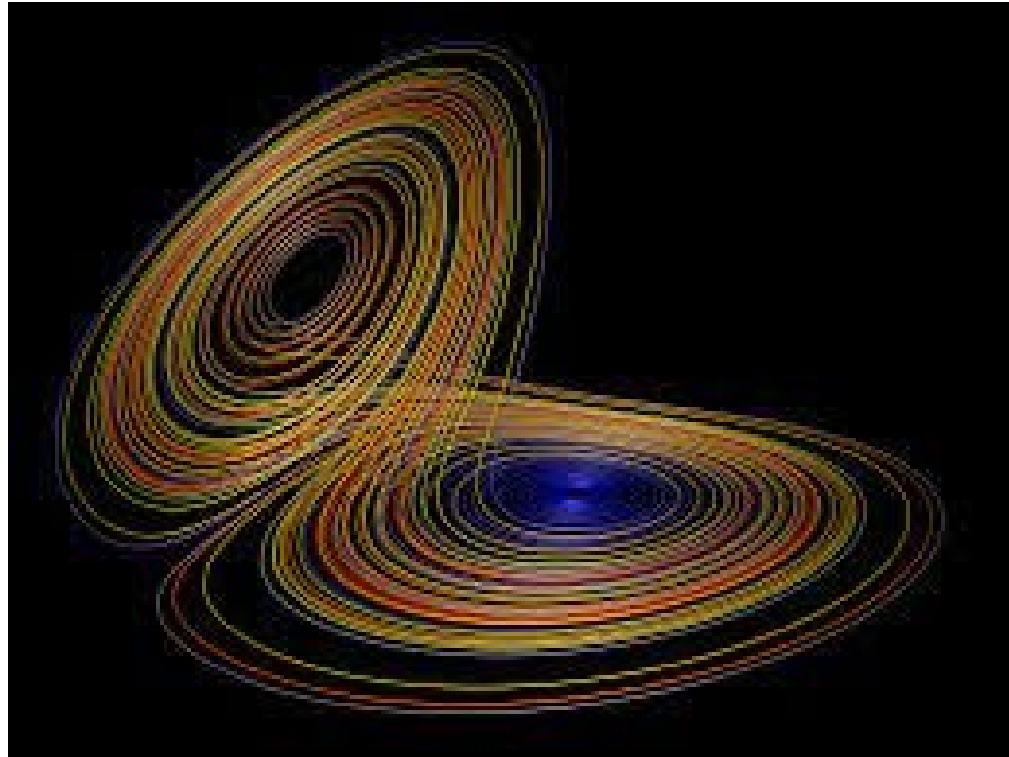


Deterministic Chaos

$$\dot{X} = -\sigma X + \sigma Y$$

$$\dot{Y} = -XZ + rX - Y$$

$$\dot{Z} = XY - bZ$$



Edward N. Lorenz (1963). "Deterministic Nonperiodic Flow",
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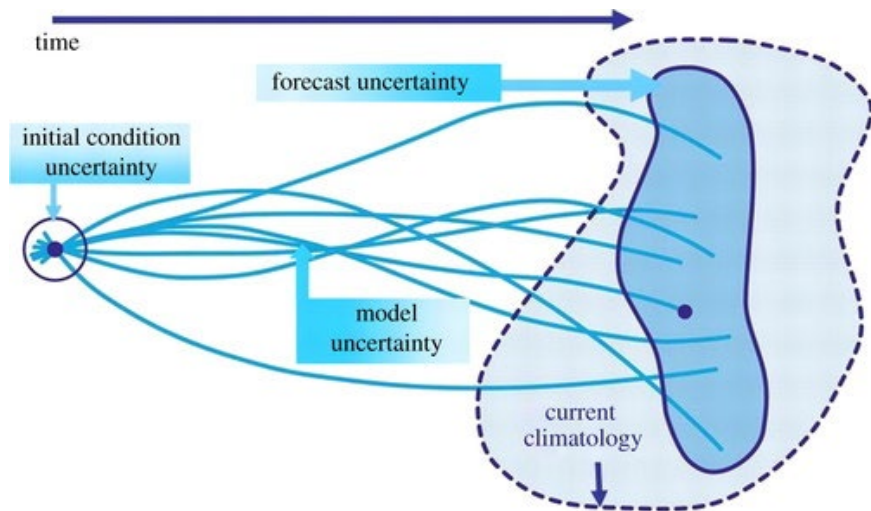
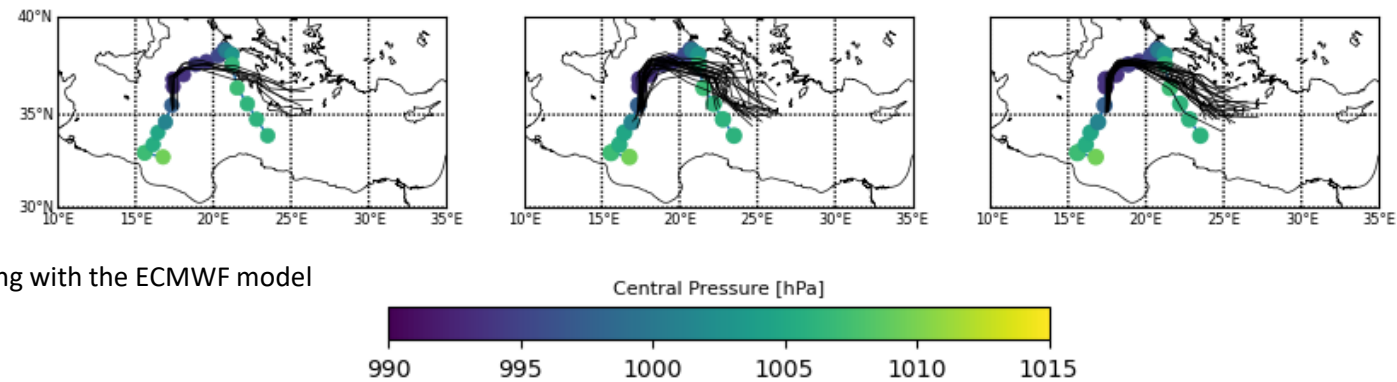


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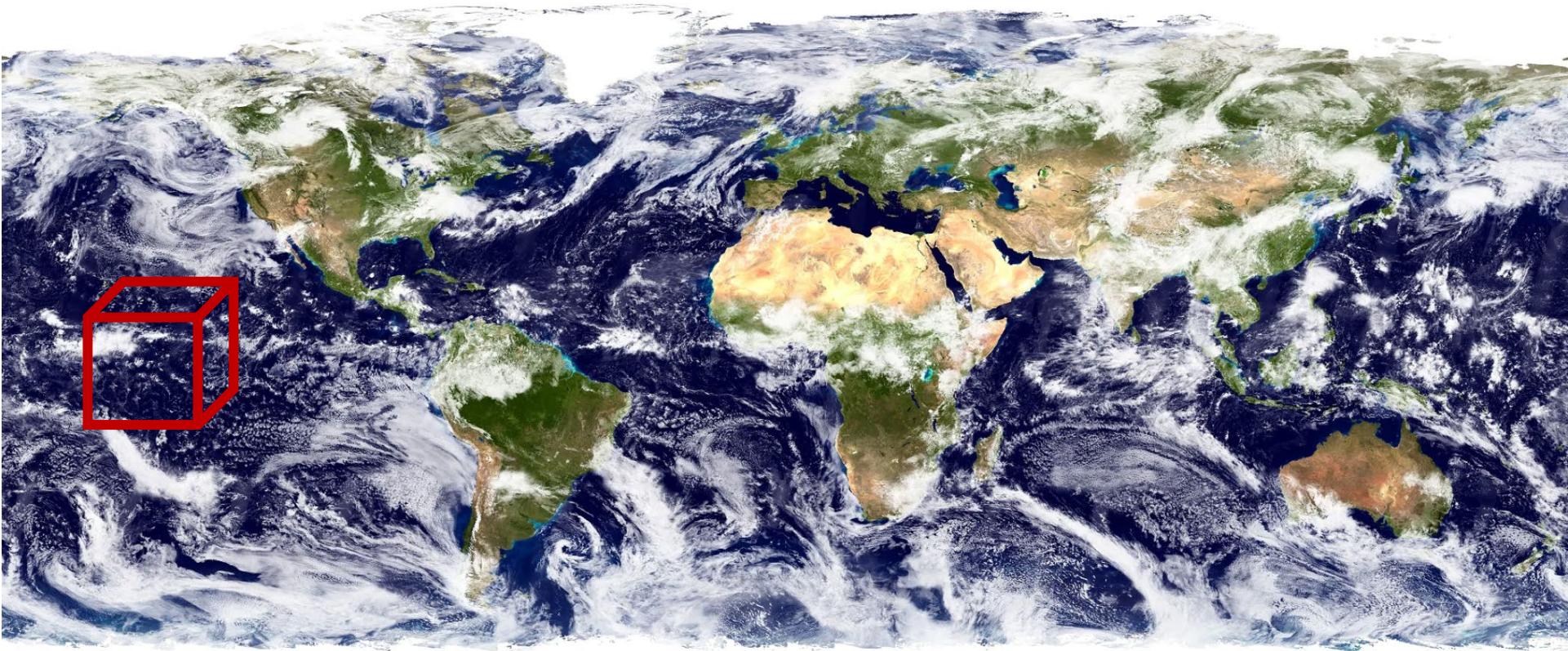


Ensemble weather forecasting at ECMWF



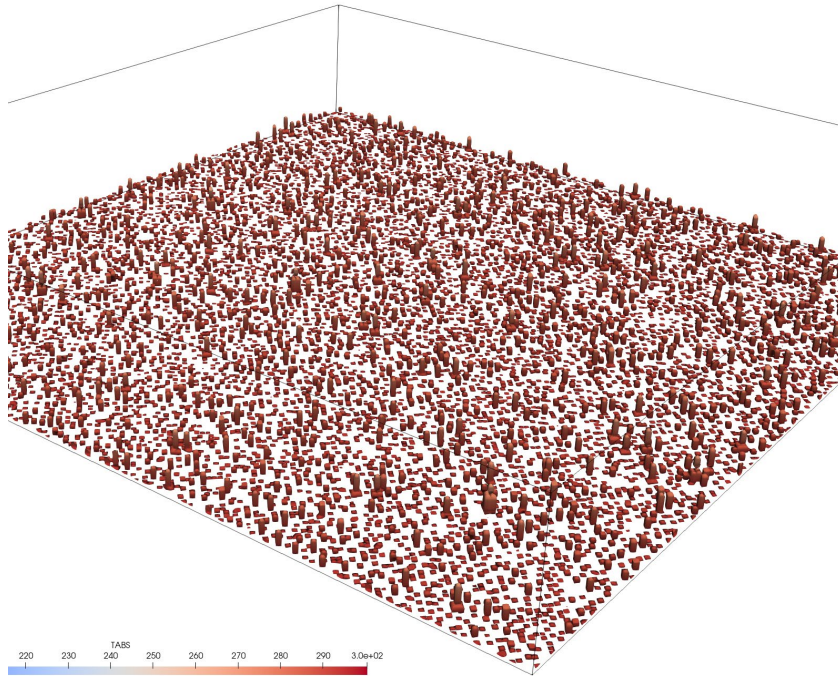
Cyclone Tracking with the ECMWF model

Explicit Simulation of Radiative- Convective Equilibrium

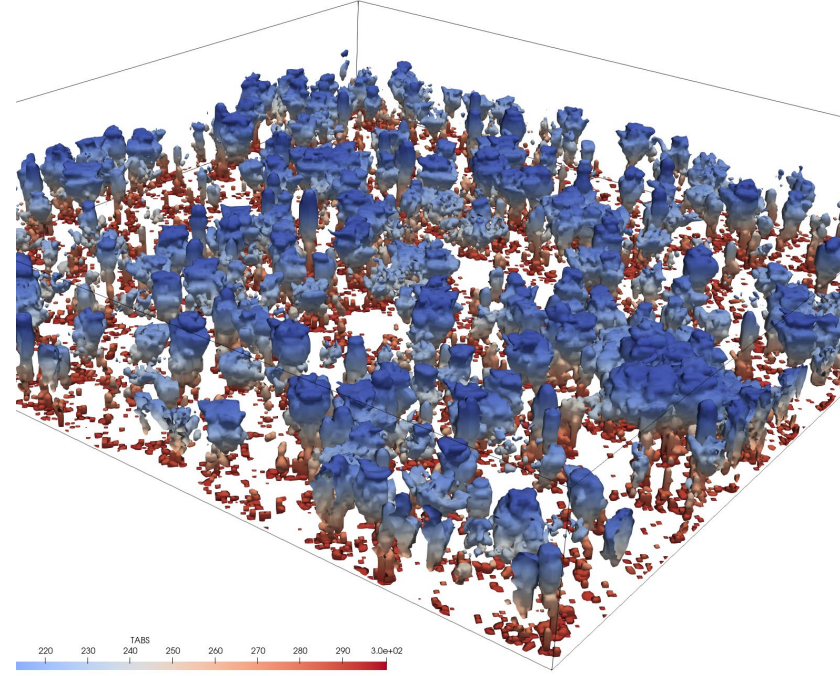


Global cloud patterns (NASA Goddard Space Flight Center)

Explicit Simulation of Radiative- Convective Equilibrium: CLOUDS

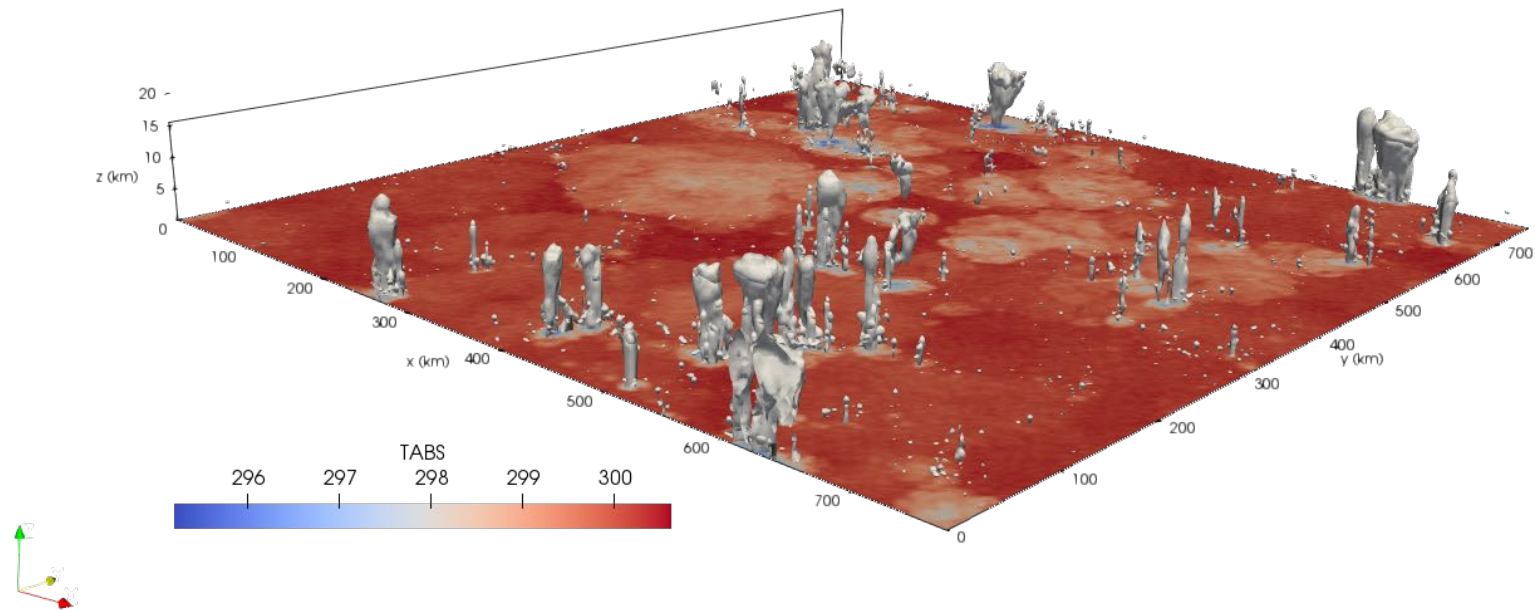


After 2 hours



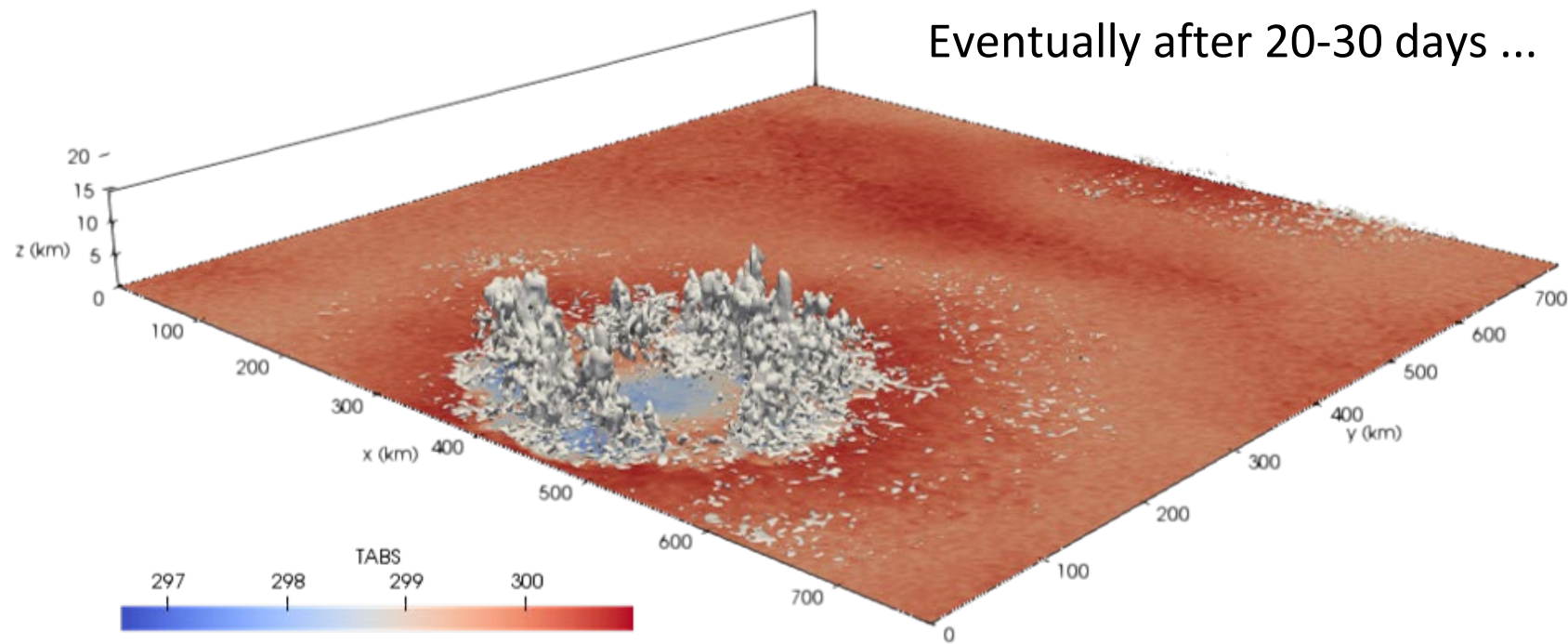
After 6 hours

Convection in RCE



In SAM after convection develops uniformly for about 20/30 : here Tsfc and cloud water plus cloud ice and rain and snow.

Explicit Simulation of Radiative- Convective Equilibrium: Self-Aggregation of clouds

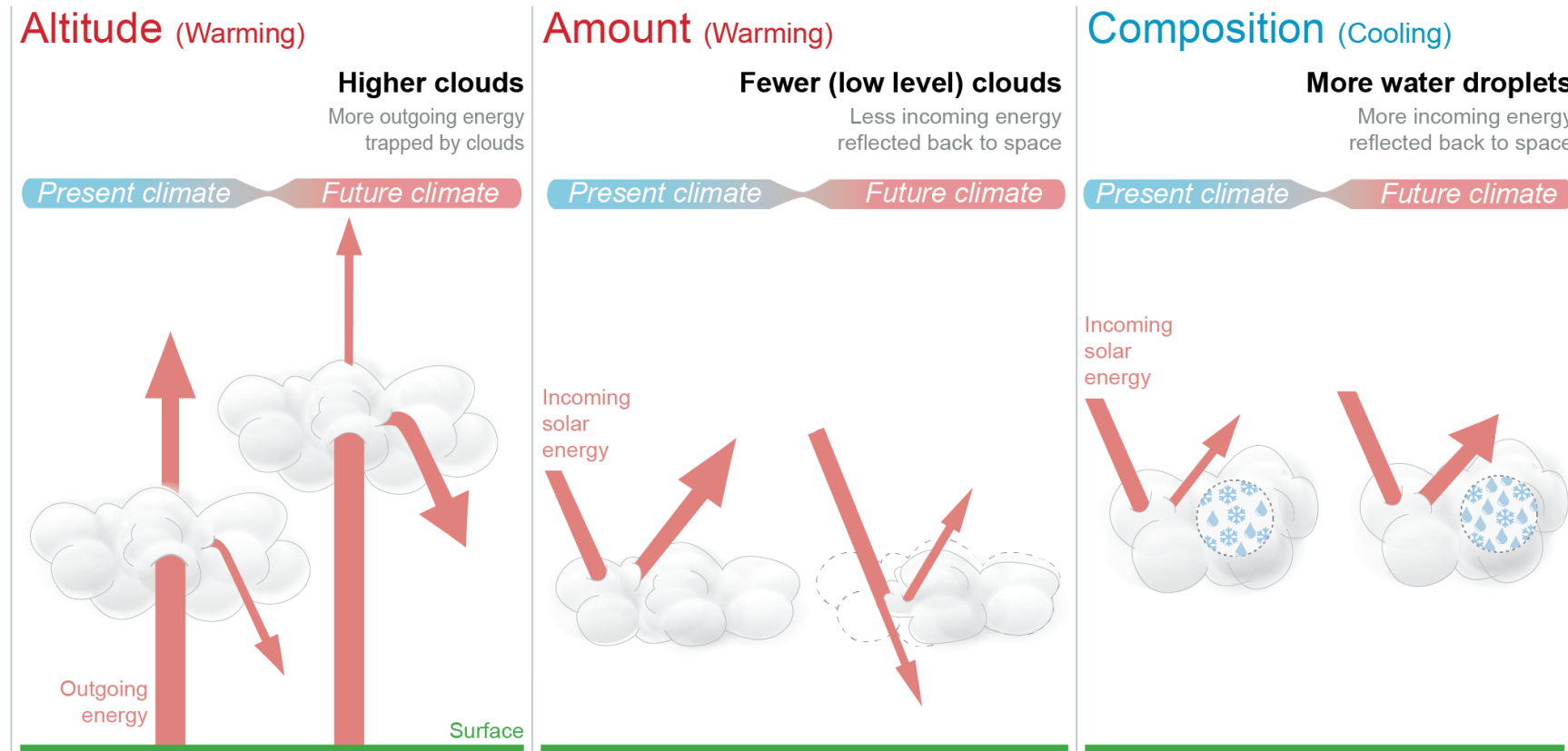


This phenomenon is found to occur across a wide variety of models (different equations formulation and parametrizations) and its strength increases with SST.

The importance of clouds in a changing climate

FAQ 7.2: What is the role of clouds in a warming climate?

Clouds affect and are affected by climate change. Overall, scientists expect clouds to **amplify future warming**.



FAQ 7.2 Figure 1 in IPCC, 2021: Chapter 7. In: *Climate Change 2021: The Physical Science Basis. Contribution of Working Group I to the Sixth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. The Earth's Energy Budget, Climate Feedbacks, and Climate Sensitivity. In Climate Change 2021*

Argomenti
di ricerca

4) Cloud feedback in a warming climate

E di tesi
magistrali e
compilative

5) The spontaneous Aggregation of Convective Storms

The uncertainty in tropical anvil high-cloud feedback and the IRIS effect

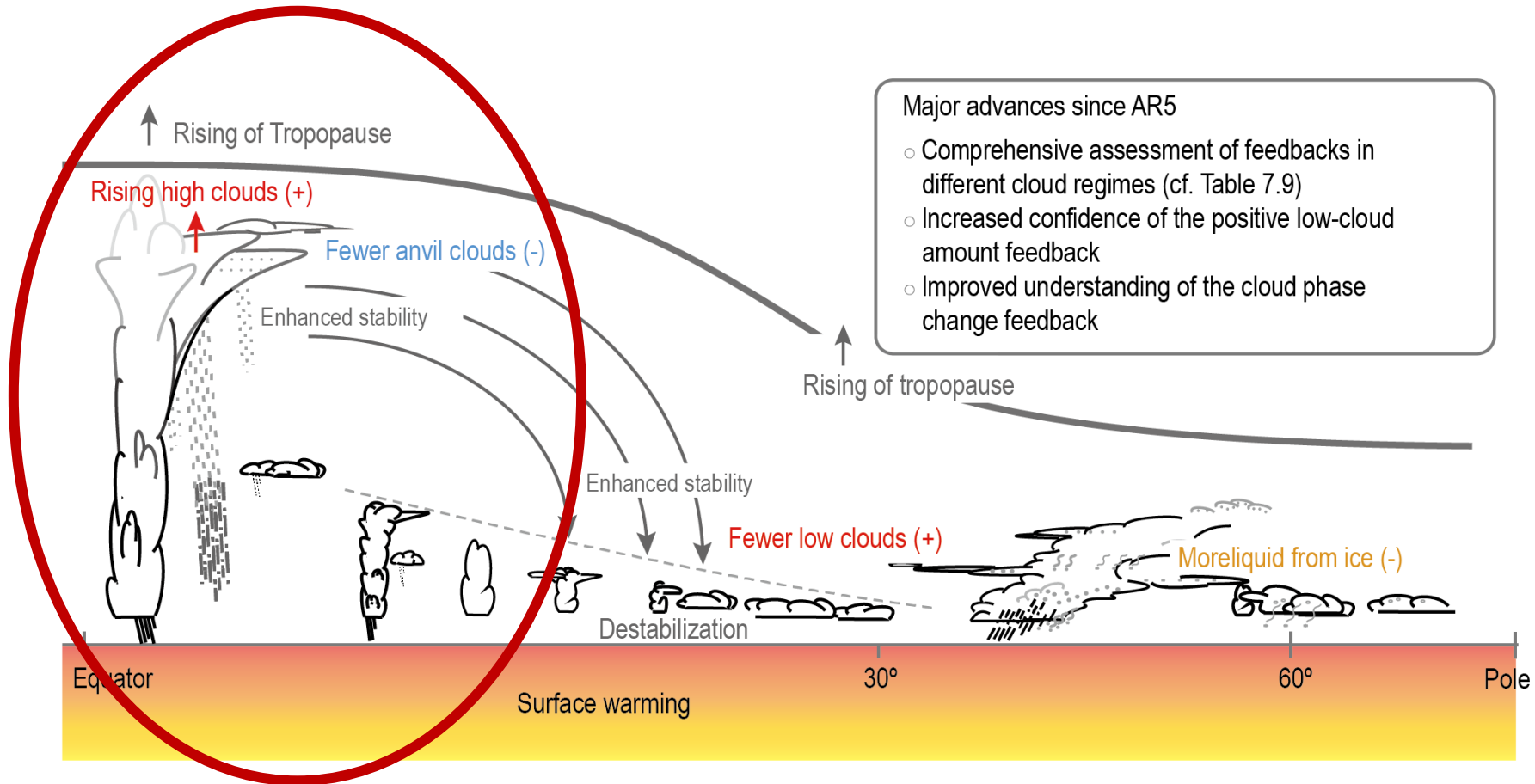
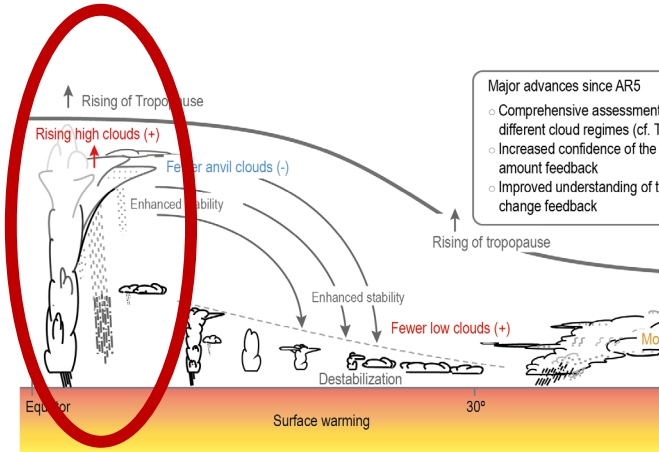
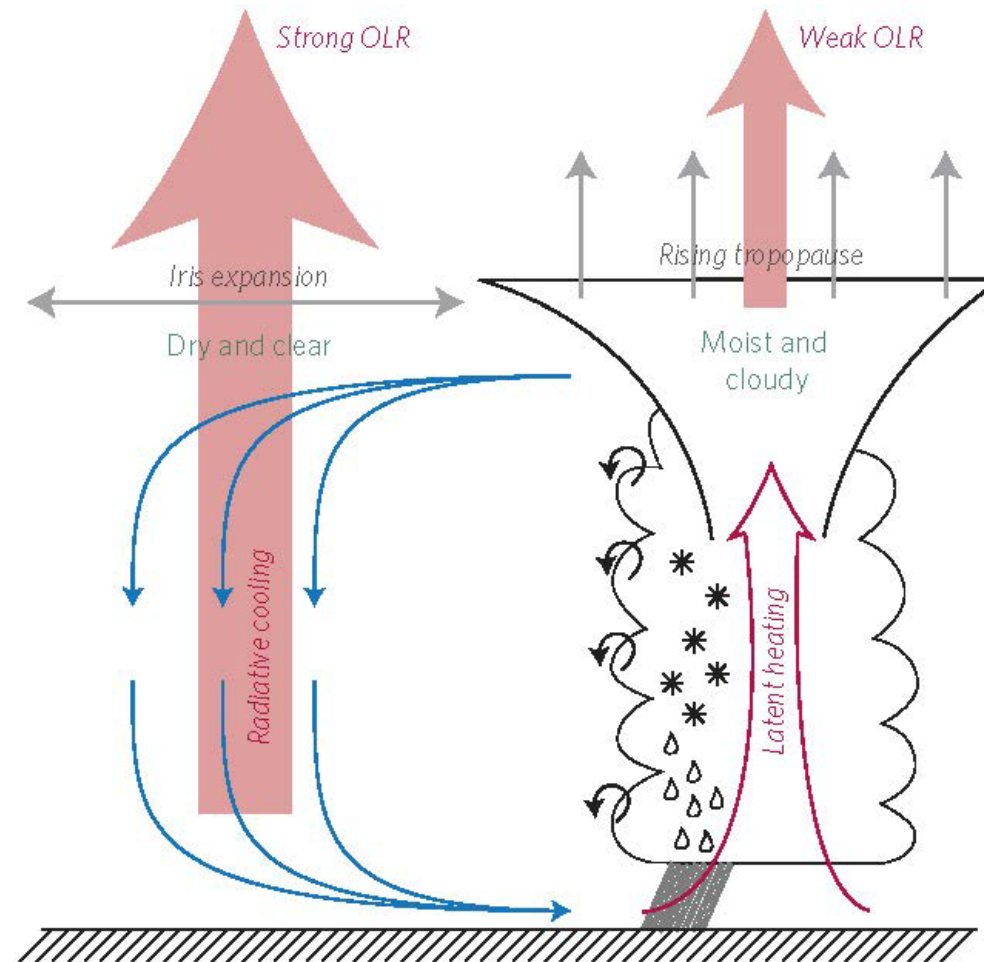


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The uncertainty in tropical anvil high-cloud feedback and the IRIS effect



Processes that may change the balance in favour of dry and clear regions in warmer climates have been proposed to constitute **a possible negative feedback not represented by climate models**. This potential feedback has been termed the iris effect, in analogy to the enlargement of the eye's iris as its pupil contracts under the influence of more light.

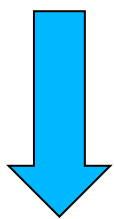


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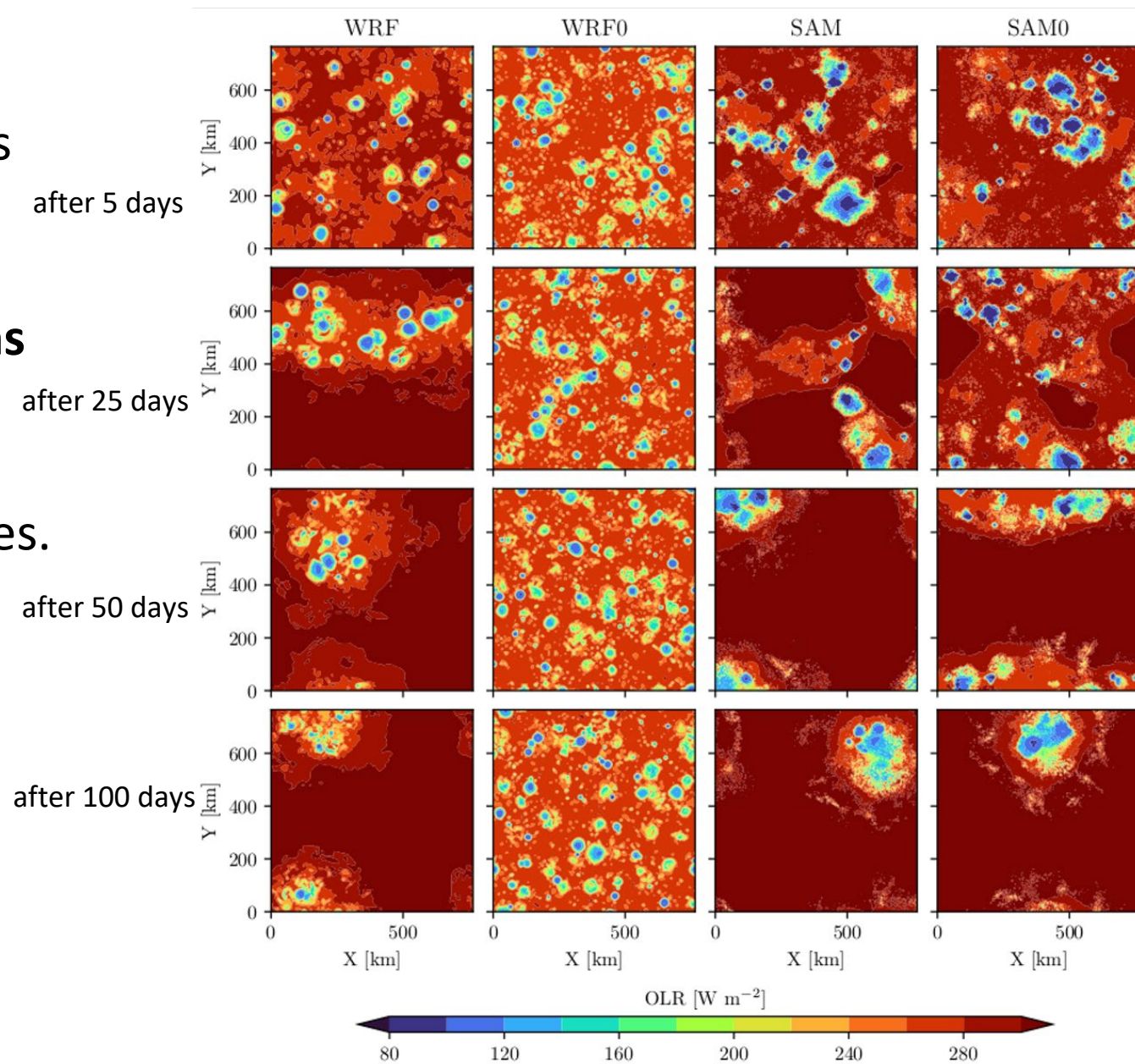
6) IRIS Effect in global models

Sensitivity of Self-Aggregation: turbulence

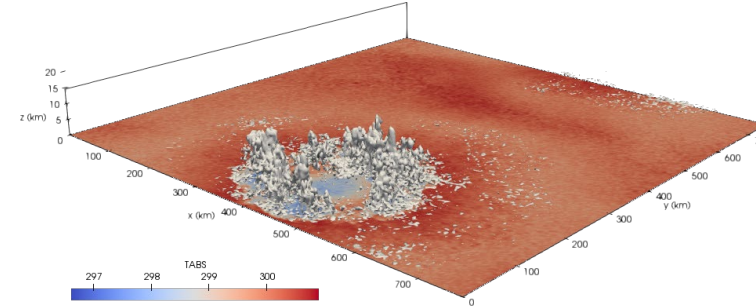
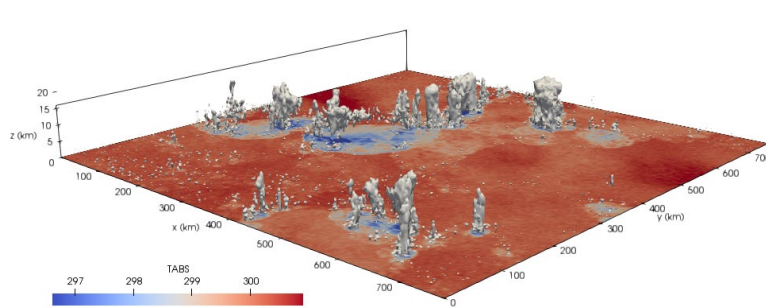
Different models
with **different**
turbulence
parametrizations
can lead to
different final
equilibrium states.



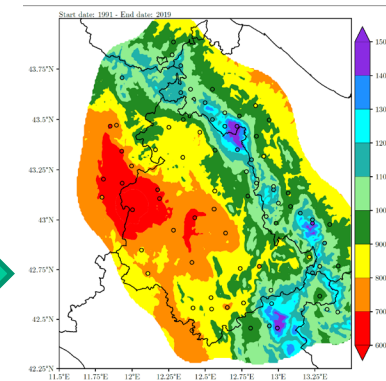
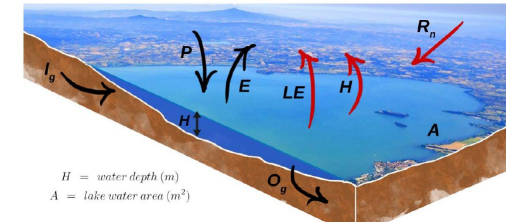
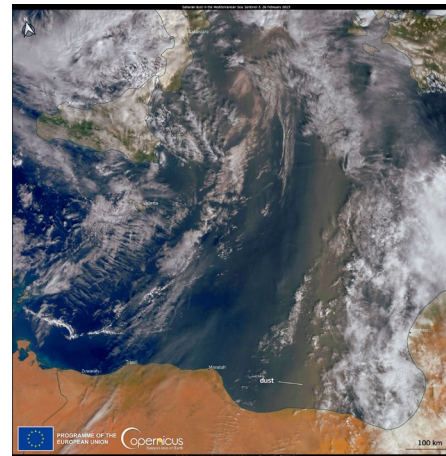
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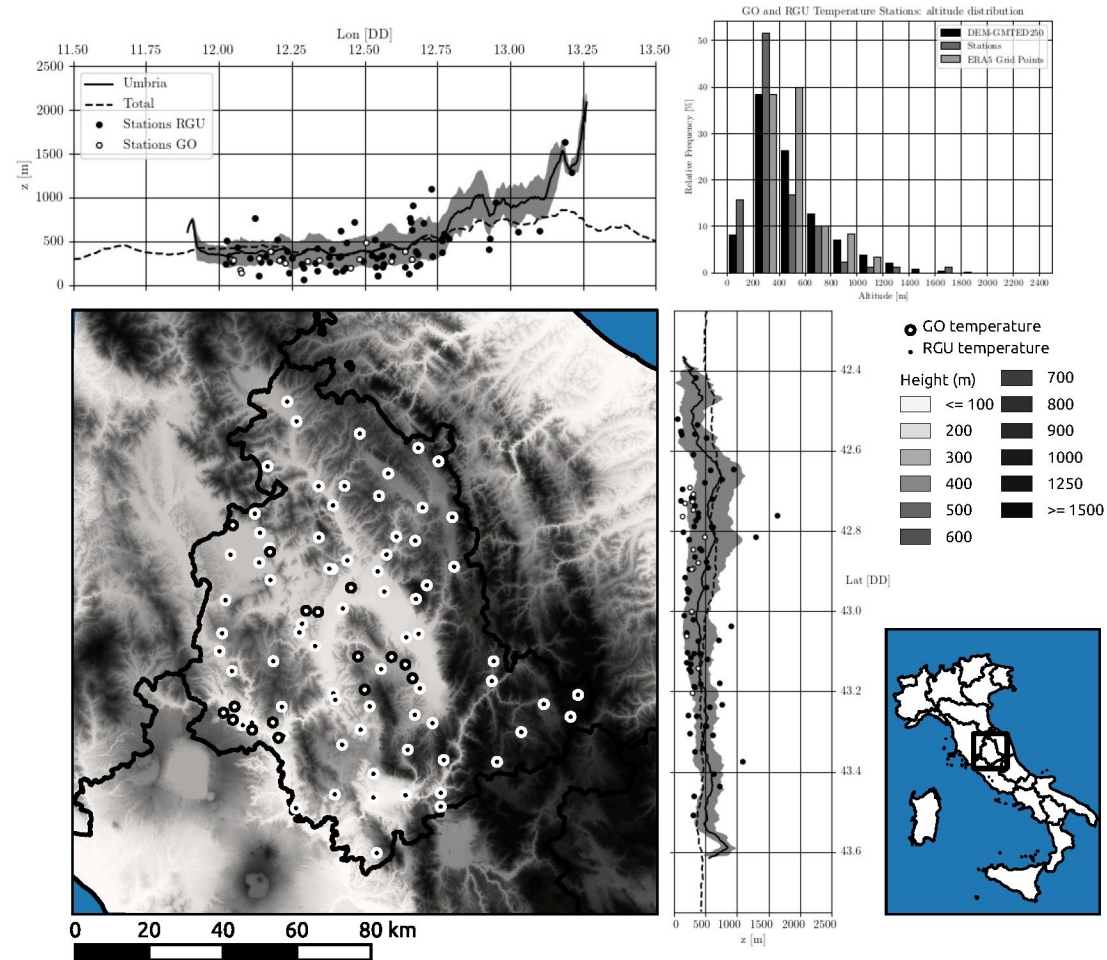


La ricerca di UNIPG



**Il clima:
interazioni complesse di
fenomeni a tutte le scale**





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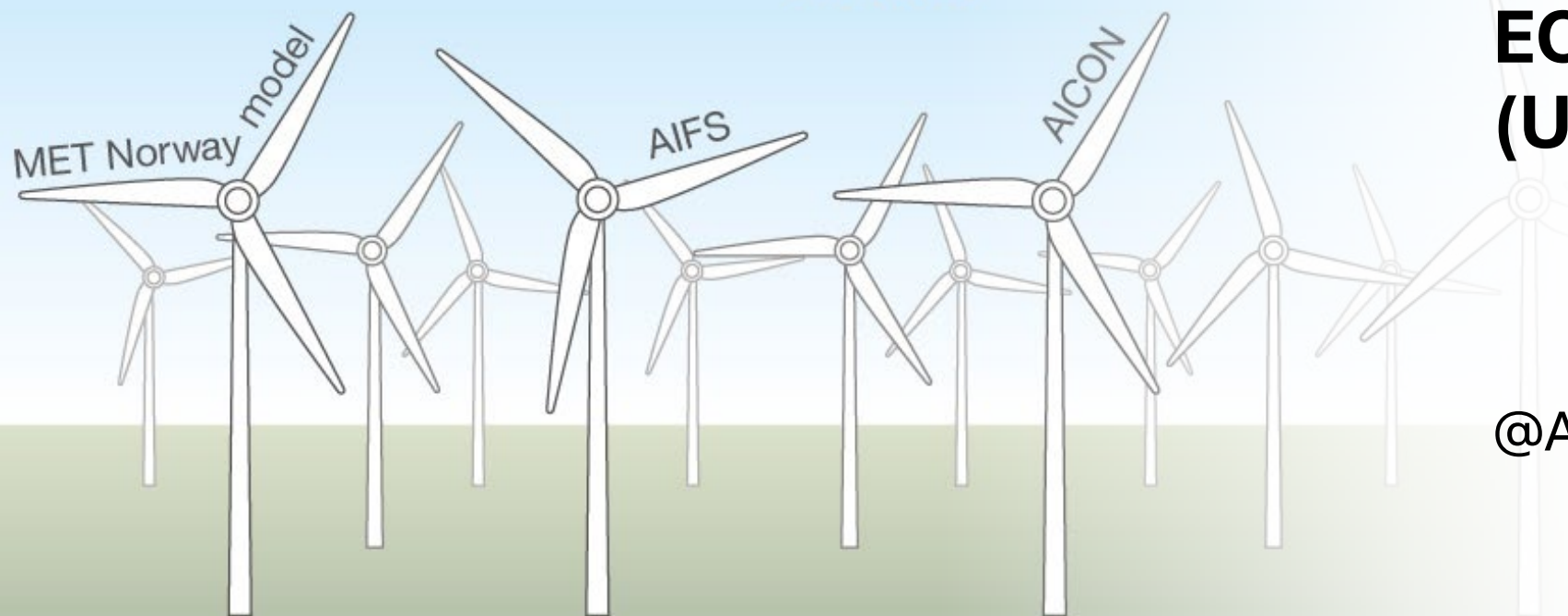
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**Anemoi: a new
collaborative
framework
for ML
weather forecasting
ECMWF
(U.K., Germany, Italy)**



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