

High-resolution modeling and big data analysis at RIKEN AICS

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Cartesian dynamical core, physical processes

For regional weather/climate simulations

Nishizawa et al (2015), Sato et al. (2015)



Icosahedral dynamical core

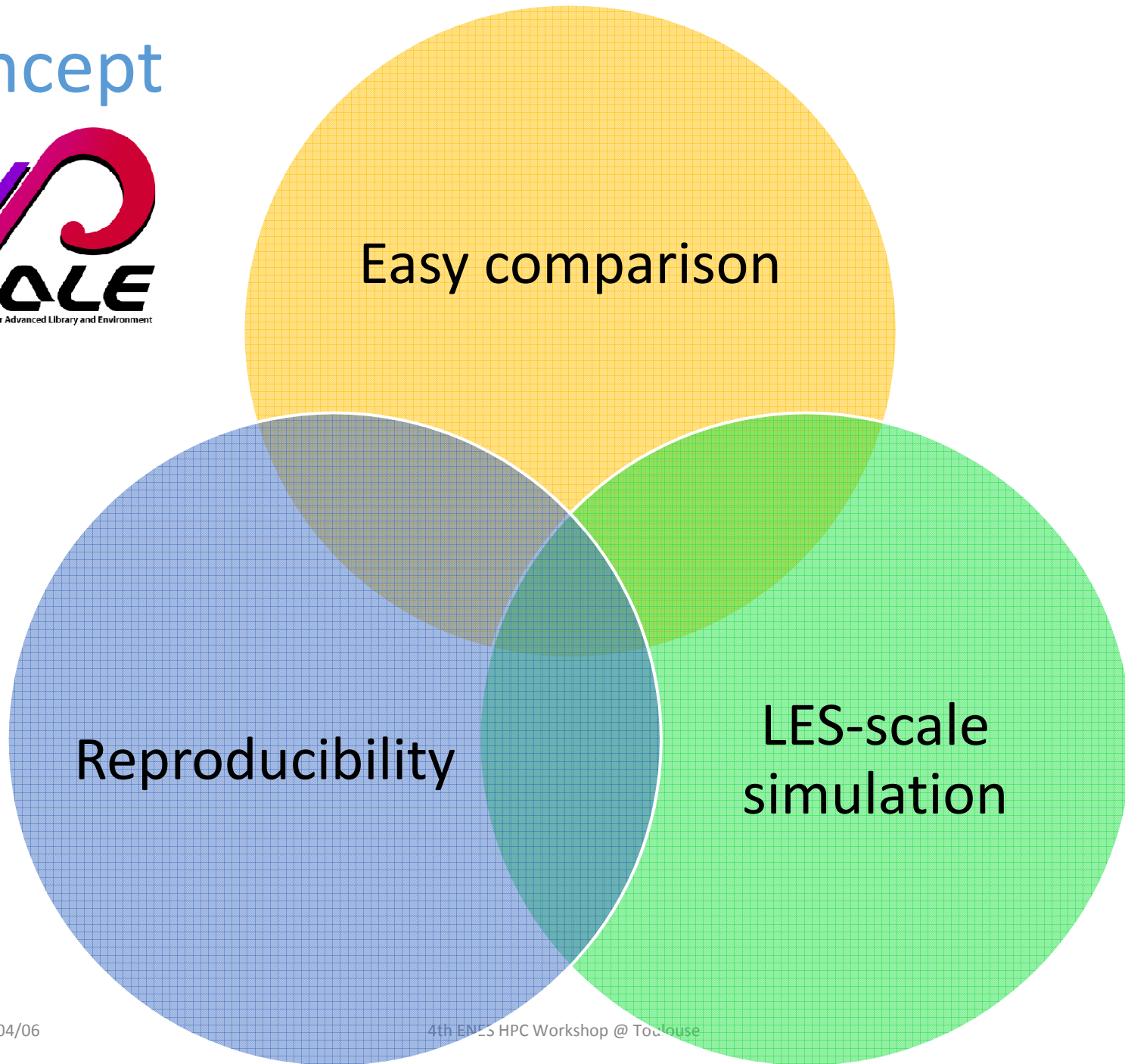
For global climate simulations

Tomita et al. (2001,2002), Tomita and Satoh (2004)

To be merged!



Concept



Reproducibility

Scientific products should be able to be replicated for verification and reliability.

Openness

- SCALE is available to anyone as an open source software.

Sharing know-how

- Predecessors' undocumented knowledges have often been lost.
- We try to publish knowledge of our experiences, e.g., parameter tuning, limiter...

Easy Comparison

Comparison is a key in evaluation of the reliability of the meteorological numerical simulations.

Uncertainty of meteorological simulation

- not a first-principle simulation
- many empirical rules / hypotheses
- tones of tunable switches

Difficulty in validation of simulations

- limitation of observations (coverage, resolution, quantity)
- paleo/future climate, or other planets

Inter-model comparisons

total performance

Intra-model comparison

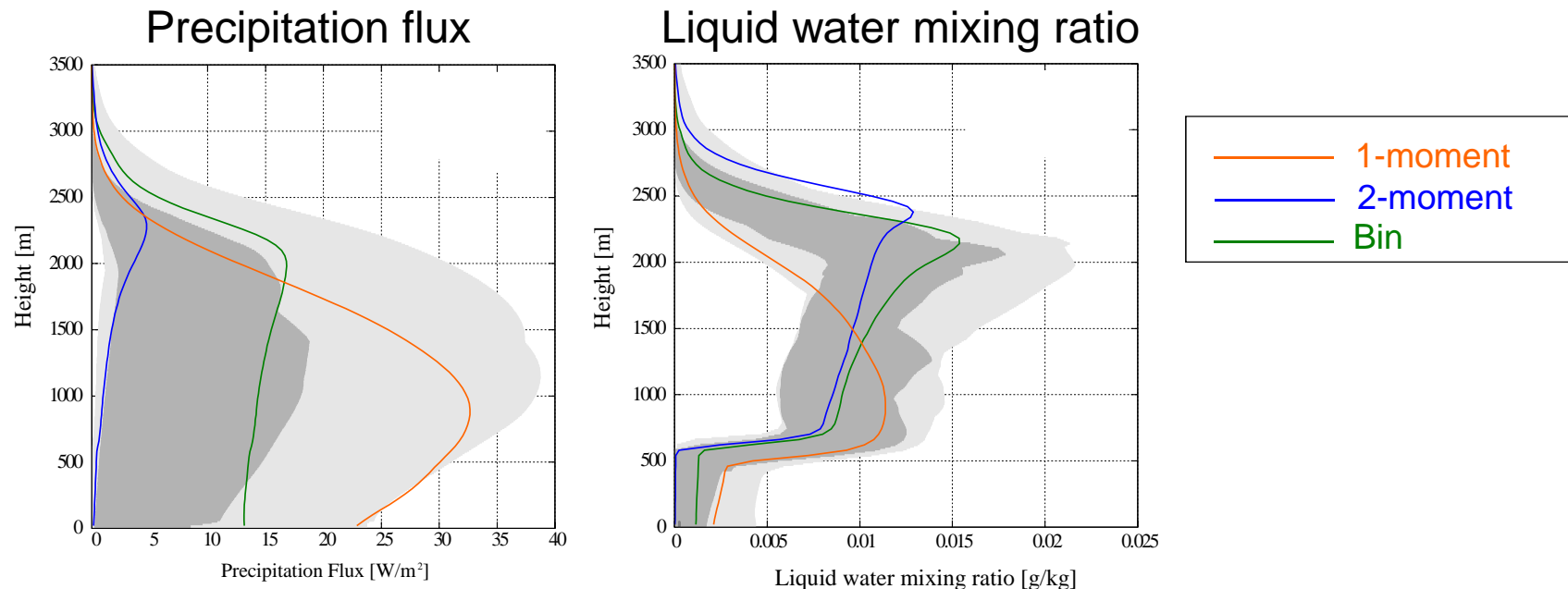
individual schemes

- physical processes, e.g.,
 - cloud microphysics: one/two moment bulk, spectral bin, super-droplet
- dynamical cores, e.g.,
 - discretization schemes
 - order of accuracy of difference scheme
 - implicit and explicit temporal integration schemes
- combination of the schemes
- tunable parameters
- precision of floating point

Differences are relatively easy to be understood

Comparison between cloud-microphysical schemes

RICO experiment (van Zanten et al. 2011)



We can conclude that

these differences are originated from the cloud-microphysical schemes.

1-moment: The faster drop is due to saturation adjustment and quick autoconversion.

2-moment: The small fall velocity is due to difficulty in growth of large droplet

Sato et al. 2015: Impacts of cloud microphysics on trade wind cumulus: which cloud microphysics processes contribute to the diversity in a large eddy simulation? PEPS, 2:23.

LES-scale simulations

Several added values are expected in high-resolution large-eddy simulations.

Smaller uncertainty, On more physical principles

- cumulus parameterization -> cloud microphysics
- RANS -> LES

Better representation of extremes

- finer topography / surface conditions
- less spatial averaging

Issues

Validity of parameterization

- assumption of parameterizations
- scale-dependent parameters

Computational efficiency

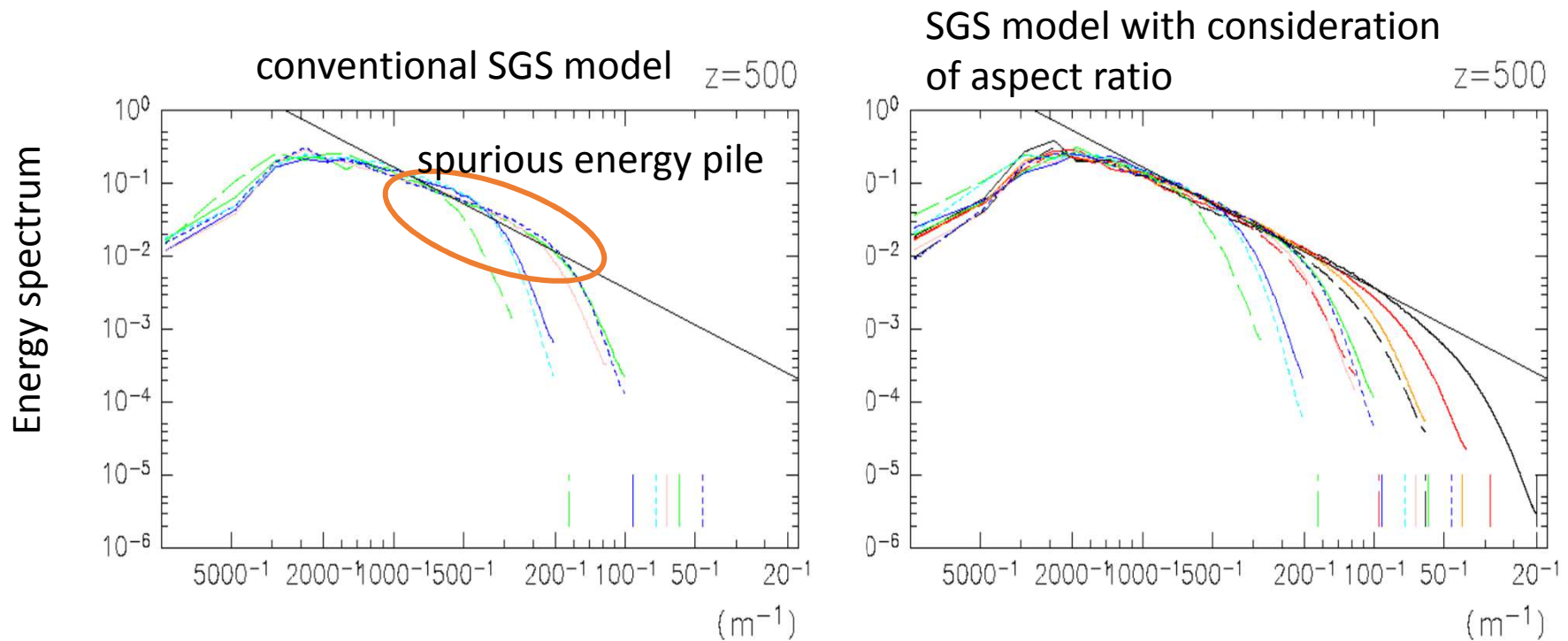
- efficient use of computational resources
- scaling at massive parallel computer

Data explosion

- better data handling in pre/post processes

Validation of large grid aspect ratio (dx/dz) in LES

Unstable PBL turbulence experiment



conventional SGS model: spurious energy pile due to small mixing length

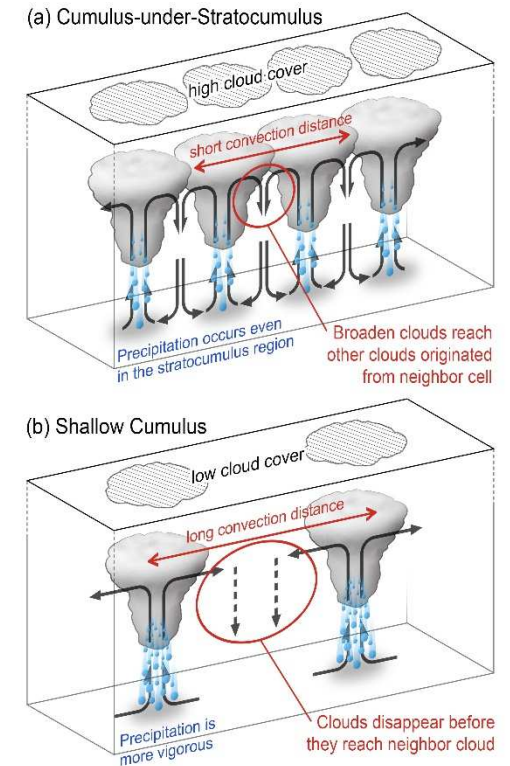
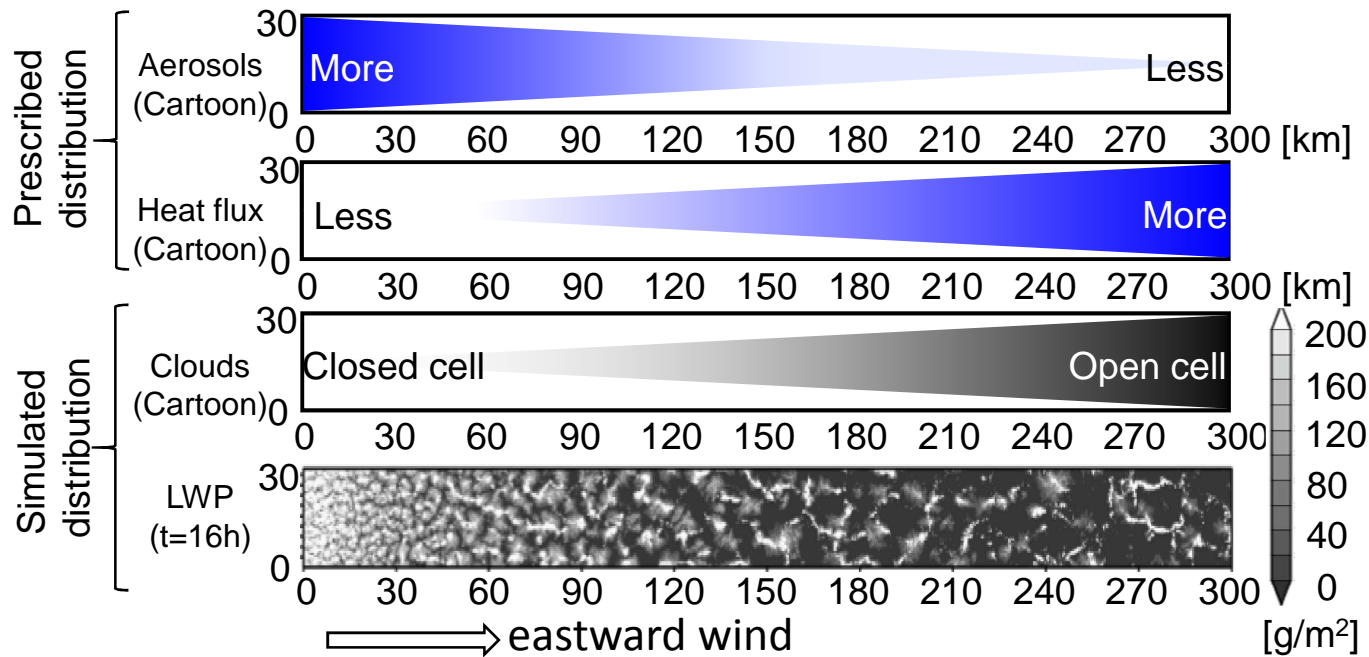
Nishizawa et al. 2015: Influence of grid aspect ratio on planetary boundary layer turbulence in large-eddy simulations, GMD, 8, 3393-3419.

Challenge to meso-scale LES

Huge domain with high resolution LES

- 300 km x 30 km domain with $\Delta x=50$ m, 275 layers
 - 1 billion grids
- 16 h integration (dt= 0.01 sec)
 - 138 h with 221,184 cores @K computer
- total 120TB output

Transition from closed to open cell of the stratocumulus



Cloud cover determined by the balance between distance of each cumulus and cloud broadening distance at the cloud

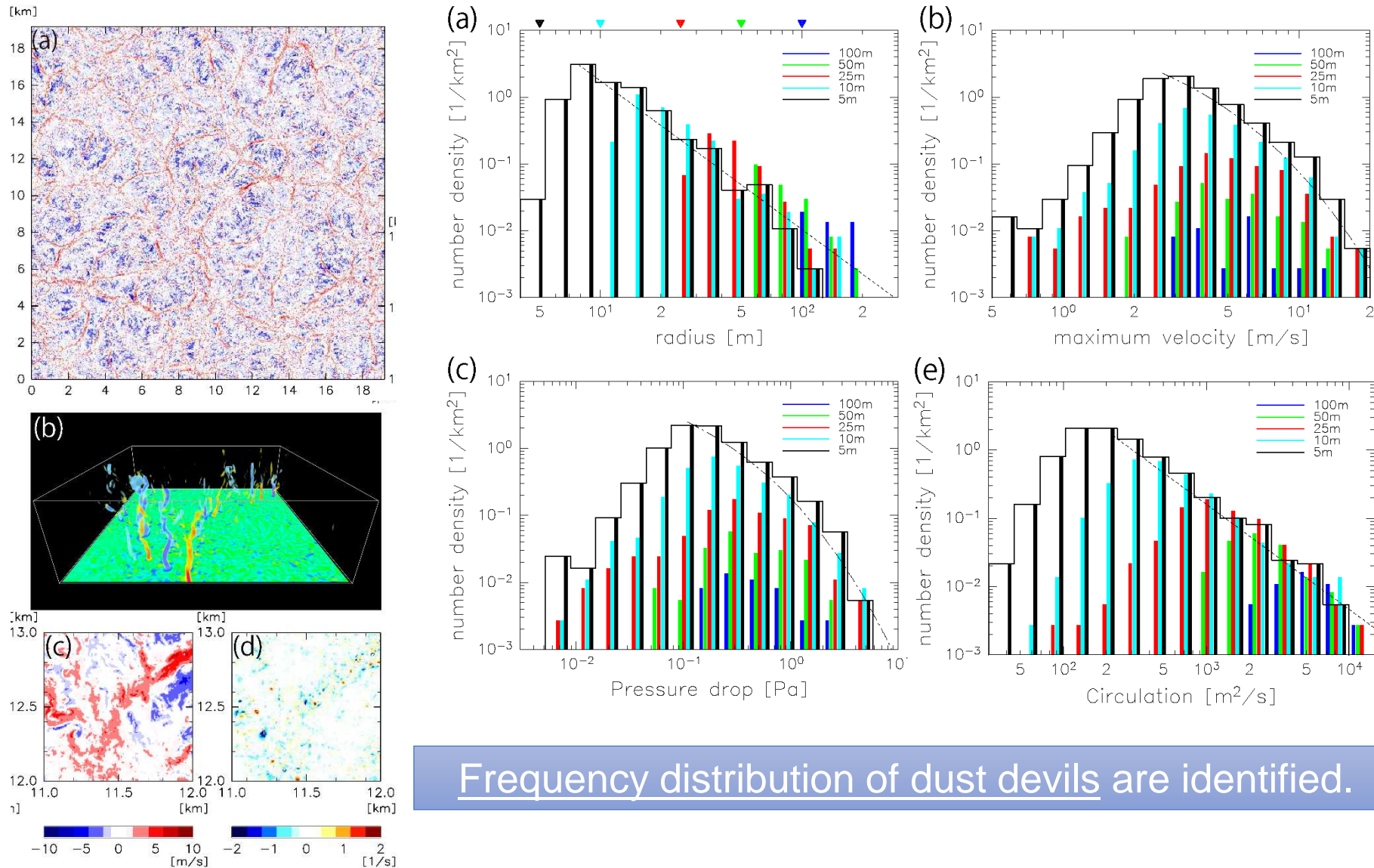
Sato et al. 2015: Horizontal distance of each cumulus and cloud broadening distance determine cloud cover, SOLA, 11, 75-79.

Other planets

Highest resolution on Martian PBL experiment

- 19.8 km² domain with $\Delta x=5$ m, 3,300 layers
 - 50 billion grids
- 1 h integration (dt= 0.006 sec)
 - 200 h with 57,600 cores @K computer
- total 60TB output

Statistics of Martian dust devils



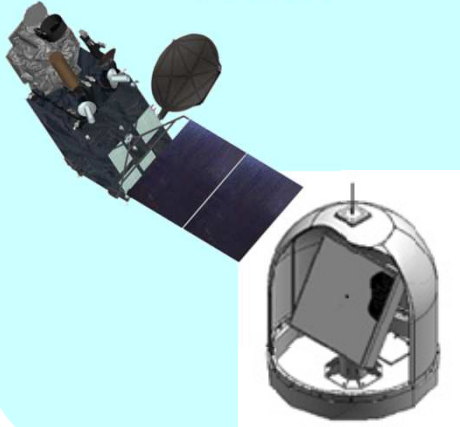
Frequency distribution of dust devils are identified.

Nishizawa et al.: Martian dust devil statistics from high-resolution large-eddy simulations, GRL, in revision.



Revolutionary super-rapid data assimilation

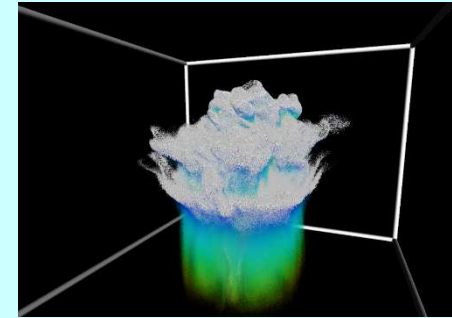
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LETKF



NHM
SCALE



Local Ensemble Transform Kalman Filter (*Hunt et al. 2007*)

Pinpoint (100-m resol.) forecast of severe local weather by updating 30-min forecast every 30 sec!

collaborate w/ AICS data assimilation Team, JMA, NICT, and Osaka Univ.

Miyoshi et al. : "Big data assimilation" Revolutionizing severe weather prediction, BAMS, accepted.

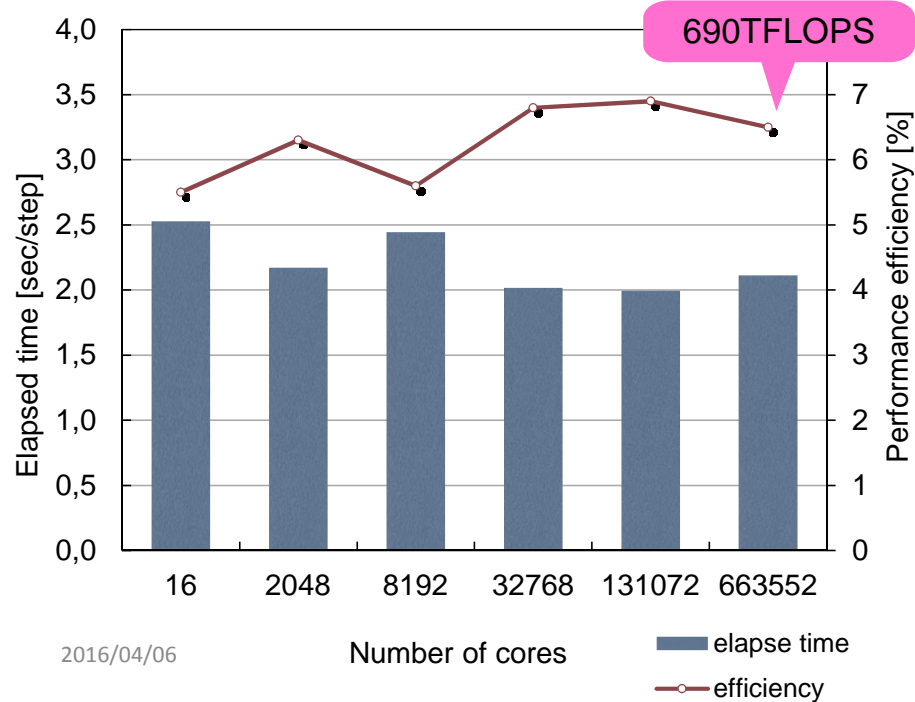
SCALE Computational performance



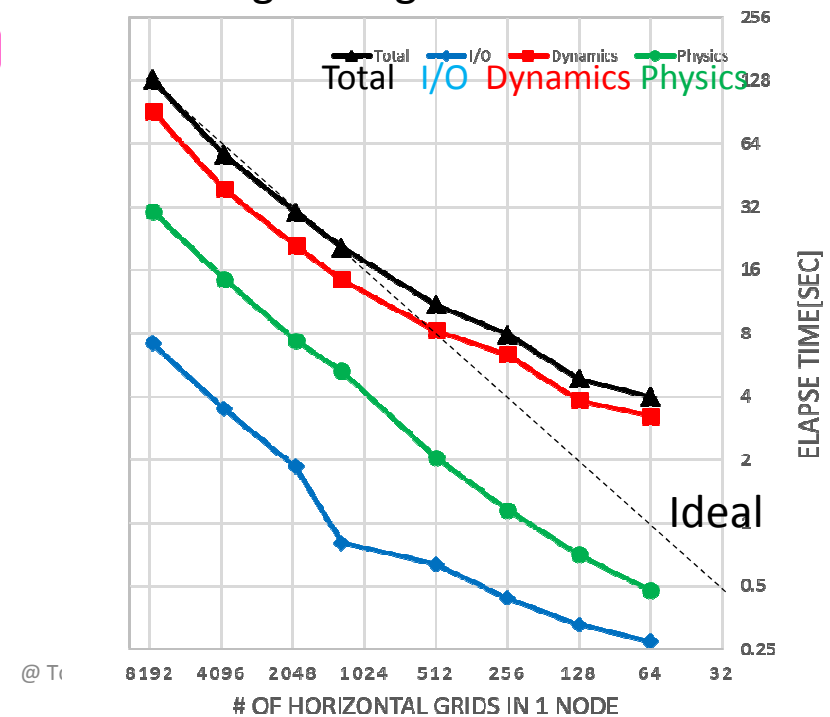
performance @ K computer

- above 10% of peak performance (dynamical core)
 - 5~8% for full simulation (including I/O)
- about 100% weak scaling up to full system (663,552 cores)
- good strong scaling

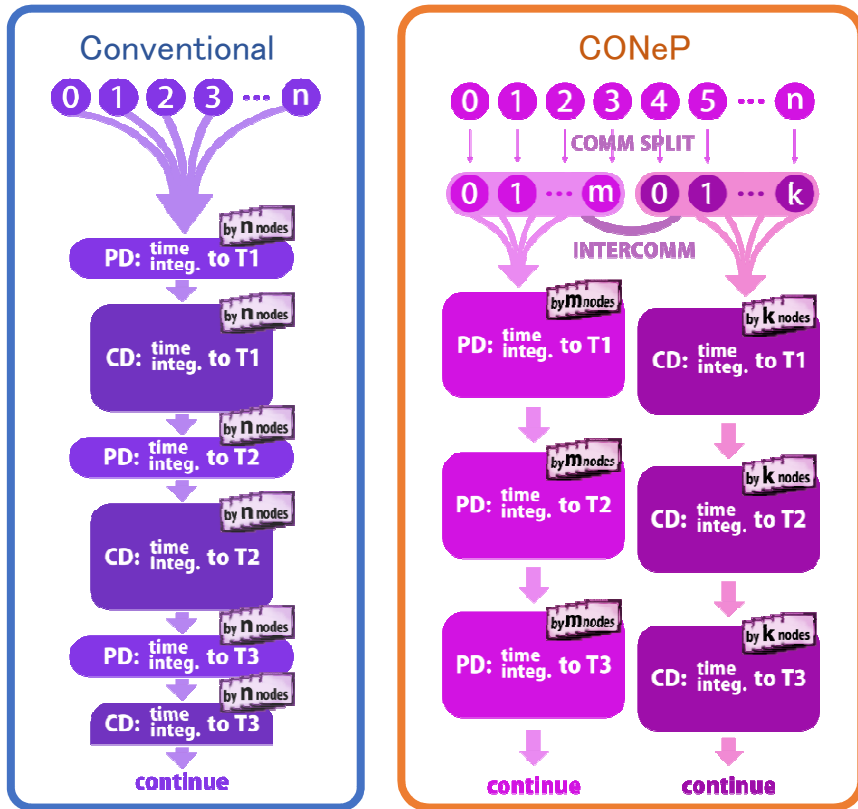
Weak scaling



Strong scaling



A Cost-effective Online Nesting Procedure



Common	domain 1	domain 2	domain 3
grid space	27 km	9 km	3 km
#grid (nx, ny, nz)	80, 80, 48	80, 80, 64	80, 80, 80
time interval	27 s	9 s	3 s
time steps	50	150	450

CNV	domain 1	domain 2	domain 3
#node (mx, my)	10, 10	10, 10	10, 10
#grid/tile (lx, ly)	4, 4	6, 6	10, 10

CONeP	domain 1	domain 2	domain 3
#node (mx, my)	2, 2	4, 4	8, 10
#grid/tile (lx, ly)	40, 40	20, 20	10, 8

Performance Experiment on K computer for 1350s time integration

Three domains	CNV	CONeP
elapsed time	20.9 s	16.8 s

20% faster!

Four domains	CNV	CONeP
elapsed time	61.3 s	44.9 s

27% faster!

Yoshida et al.: CONeP: A cost-effective online nesting procedure for regional atmospheric models, *Parallel Computing*, submitted.



Challenge! (explicit expression of cloud)

Our research community (NICAM research community)' approach:
Resolve the cloud system & related process over the globe

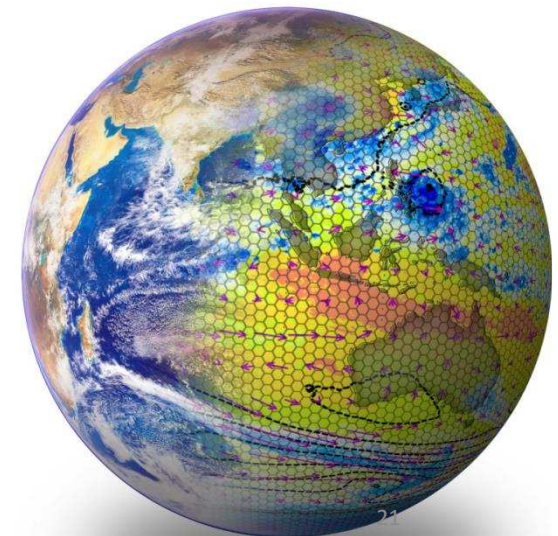
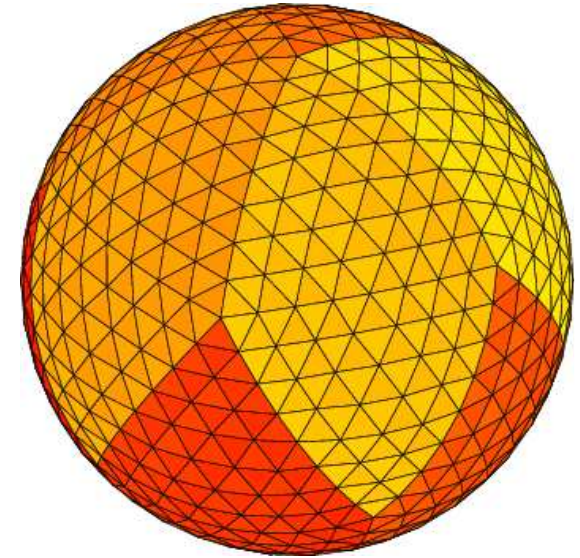
NICAM development : ~2000

still development is continuing!

Conceptual development philosophy

• **Explicit resolving the cloud itself**

- **Use of Icosahedral grid**
 - To get a quasi-homogeneous grid for computational efficiency
- **Nonhydrostatic DC**
 - To resolve cloud scale (**deep convection**, shallow cloud etc.)
- **Sophistication of cloud expression:**
 - To avoid the ambiguity of cumulus parameterization and understand the cloud dynamics



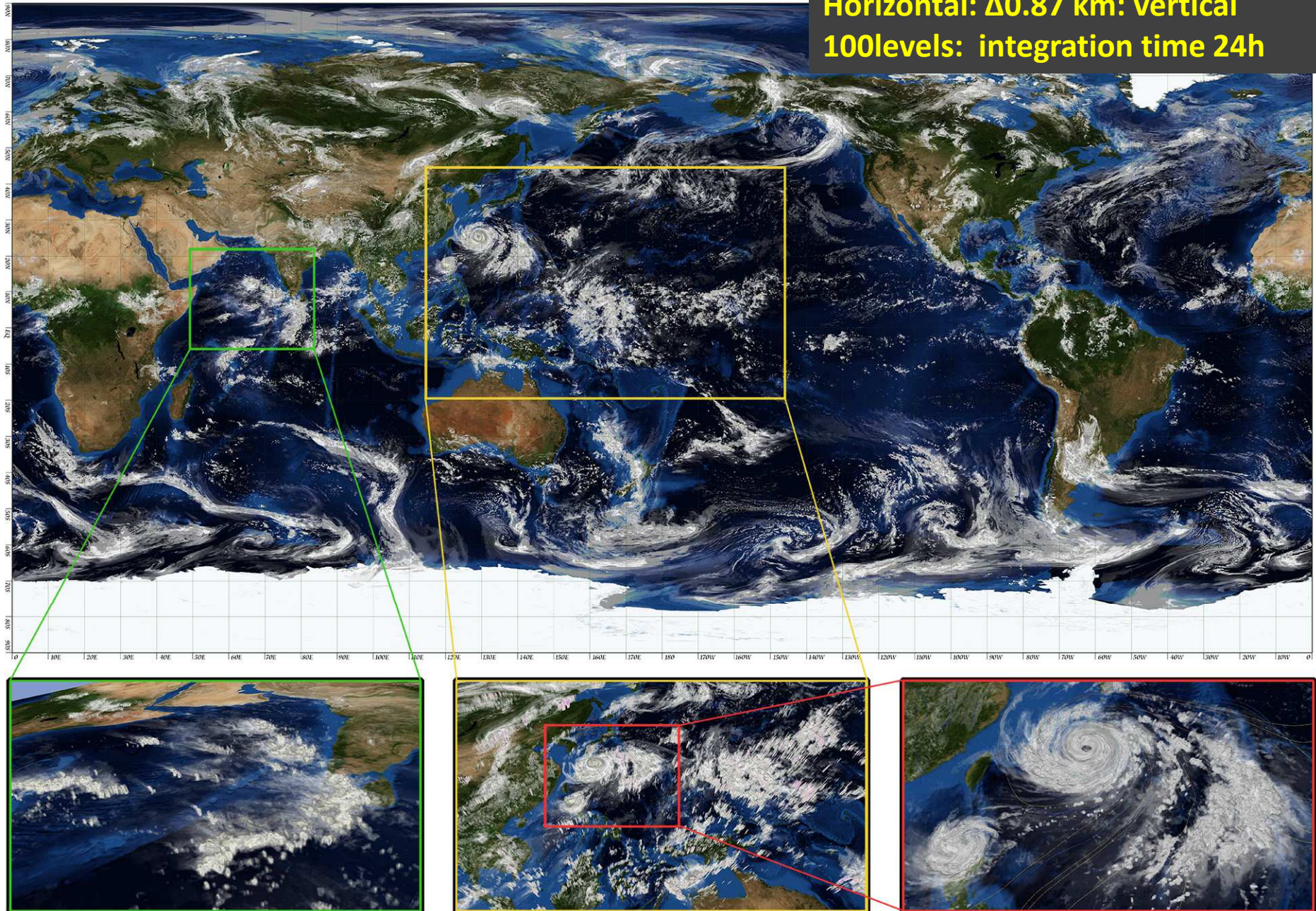
Grand Challenge on the K computer

Sub-km global simulation!

- $\Delta x=870\text{m}$, 94 layers
 - 63 billion grids
- 48 h integration (dt=2 sec)
 - 220 h with 163,840 cores @K computer
- total 320TB output
- ~~200 day post process on Xeon cluster~~
 - ⇒ analysis on the K (163,840 cores)

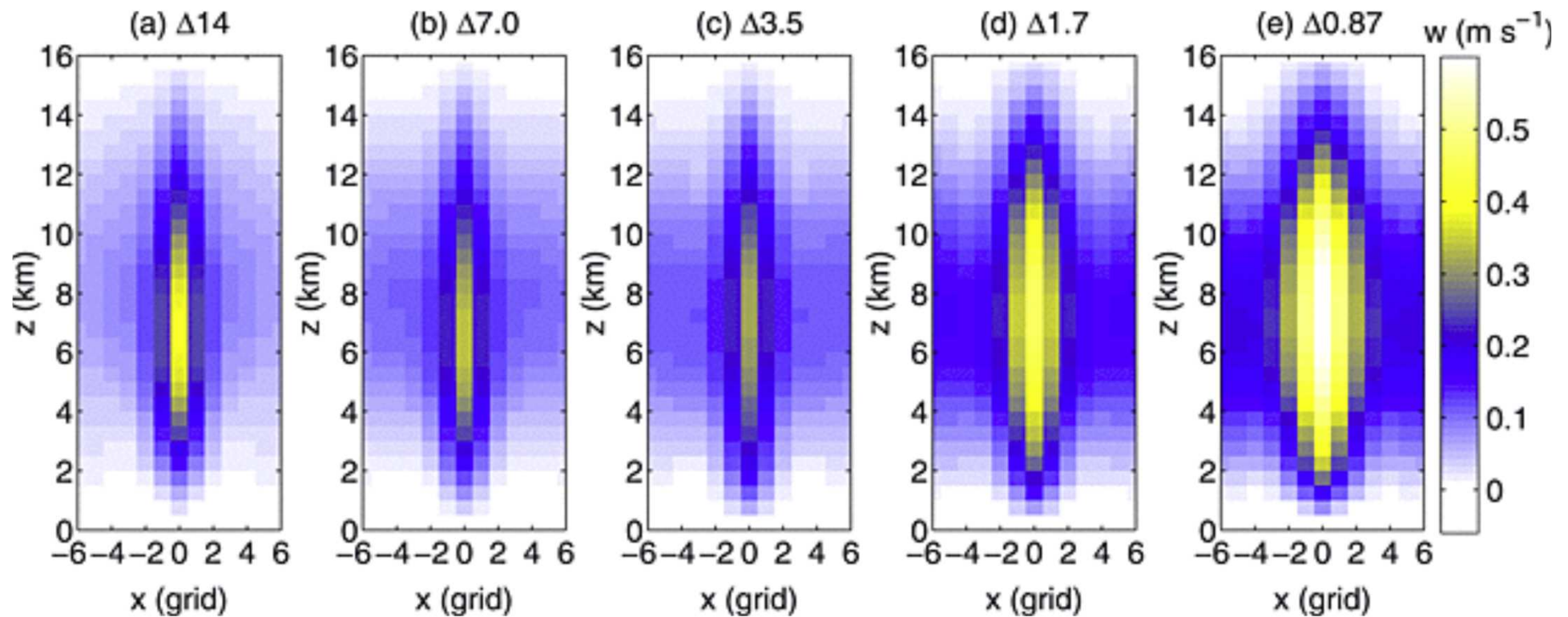
A snapshot of sub-km AGCM

**Horizontal: $\Delta 0.87$ km: vertical
100levels: integration time 24h**



Convergence of convections with resolution

- Global composite of deep convection (vertical velocity)
 - $\Delta x < 2\text{km}$: convection is represented at multiple grids



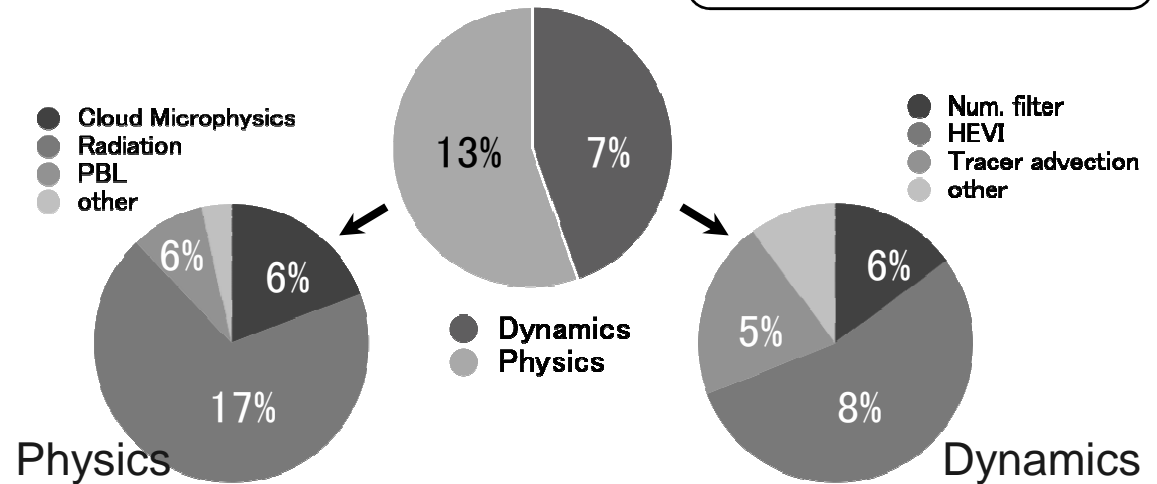
Miyamoto et al. 2013: Deep moist atmospheric convection in a subkilometer global simulation, GRL, 40, 4922-4926.

Efficiency of NICAM on K Computer

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Performance efficiency

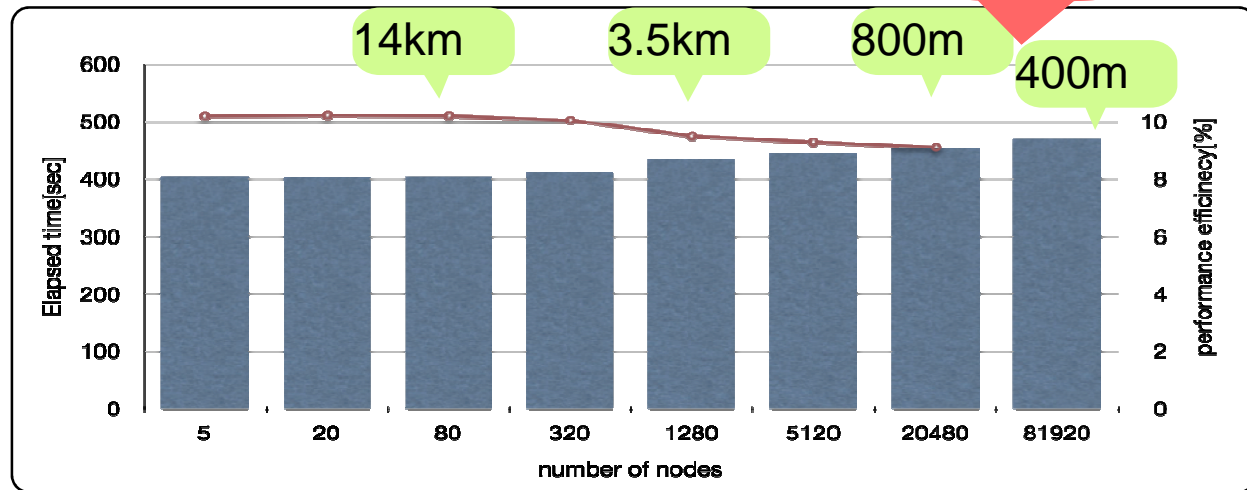
- Just after porting from ES : ~4%
- Cache optimization to stencil operators : ~5%
- Cleaning the time-wasting codes : ~7%
- Modify conditional branches, refactoring : **~10%**



Weak scaling test

- Same problem size per node, same steps
- Good scalability

0.9PetaFLOPS



NICAM870m/L96 animation

NICAM 870 m - 96 levels
Real Case Simulation: 25 - 26, Aug., 2012

SPIRE field-3: Study of extended-range predictability using GCSRAM
RIKEN / AICS: Computational Climate Science Research Team



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Direction of our research in AICS in next 5 years

• Infrastructure:

• Extension of basic library SCALE :

- **Massive parallel analysis routines for acceleration of scientific output, social outcome**
 - Not only acceleration of simulation itself but also acceleration of analysis phase
- **Easy programming and high performance computing:**
 - DSL(Domain Specific Language)? e.g. stencil DSL
 - w/ the Japanese next flagship computer project

Direction of our research in AICS in next 5 years

- **Science:**

- **BIG DATA assimilation:**

- **Now, developing....**

- **NICAM + LETKF (with DA research team & post K priority subject)**

- **Many satellite data is available.**

- **One goal : Reanalysis data by cloud resolving model**

- **SCALE+LETKF(with DA research team)**

- **PA data provides tremendous information in time and space.**

- **We are tackling to each cumulus with 30min lead time**

- **Reginal Climate assessment! : downscale to city level**

- **Disaster prevention and mitigation, adaptation**

- **Multi-model ensemble (SCALE can do it!) drastically reduce the uncertainties for the future climate assessment in the regional model**

- **Model bias reduction by data assimilation**

- **e.g. Determination of unknown parameters**

- **Planetary science**

- **Generalization of earth knowledge**

- **Theoretical issue**

- **Moist LES theory**

Brief description of SCALE



Dynamics

- Governing equations :
3-dimensional fully compressible
- Grid system :
Arakawa-C type
- Temporal integration :
HEVE, HEVI, HIVI
- Temporal difference :
3 steps Runge-Kutta scheme
- Spatial difference :
4th order central difference
- Topography :
Terrain-following
- Positive definitive :
FCT scheme

Other

- Offline/Online nesting system
- LETKF assimilation system

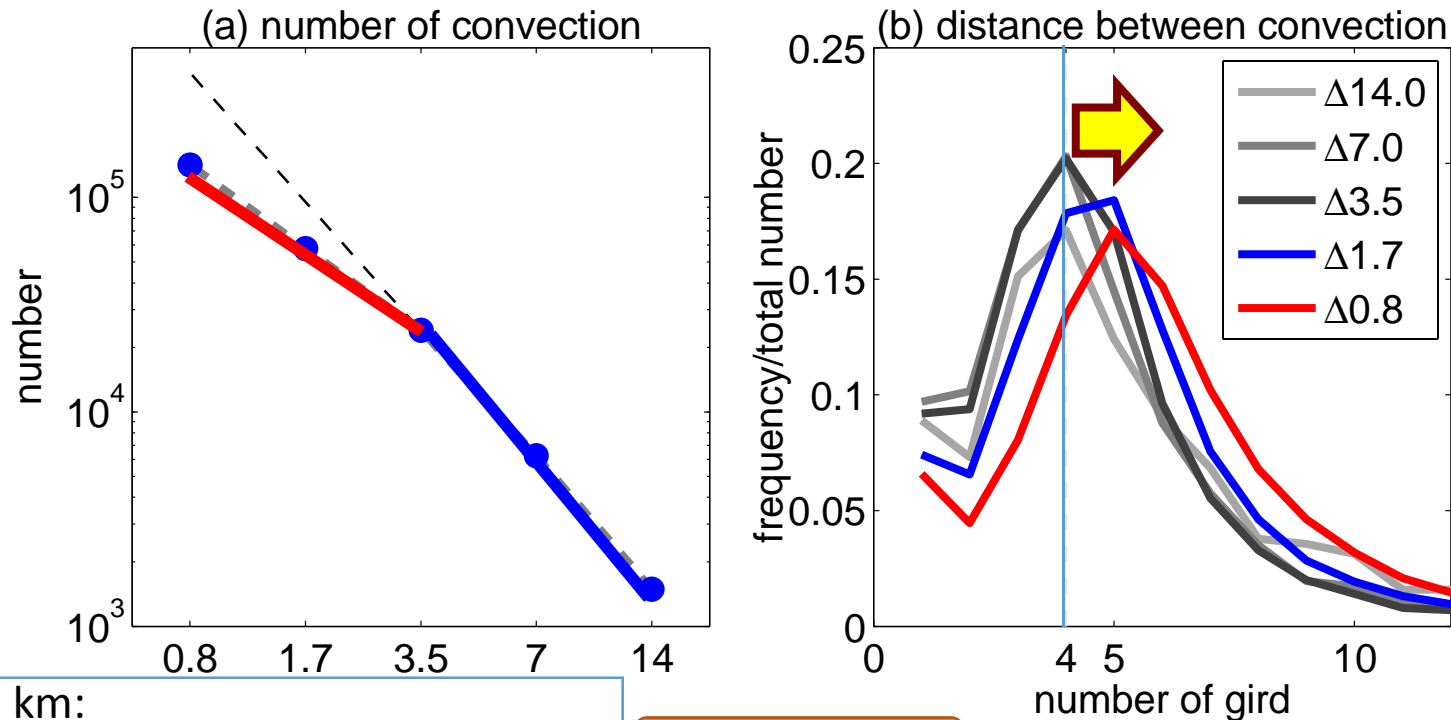
Physical schemes

- Cloud microphysics :
Kessler (Kessler, 1969)
1-moment bulk (Tomita et al., 2008)
2-moment bulk (Seiki and Nakajima, 2014)
1-moment bin (Suzuki et al., 2010)
super droplet method (Shima et al., 2009, *experimental*)
- Turbulence :
Smagorinsky SGS (Brown et al. 1994, Scotti et al. 1993)
MYNN level 2.5 (Nakanishi and Niino 2004)
- Cumulus parameterization :
Kain-Fritsch (*in preparation*)
- Radiation :
MSTRN-X (Sekiguchi and Nakajima, 2008)
- Aerosol microphysics :
3-moment bulk (Kajino et al., 2013, *experimental*)
- Surface flux :
Louis-type (Uno et al. 1995)
Beljaars-type (Beljaars and Holtslag 1994, Wilson 2001)
- Land :
Slab model with a bucket model
- Ocean :
Slab ocean model
- Urban :
Single-layer urban canopy model (Kusaka et al., 2001)



Convergence of 1. number of convection 2 distance of neighboring convection

Miyamoto et al. 2013 Geophys. Res. Lett.



$\Delta x \geq 3.5$ km:

- # of conv.: increase by factor of 4
- Conv. distance between convection: 4 grids => unphysical?

$\Delta x \leq 1.7$ km:

- # of conv.: decrease in increasing rate
- Conv. distance: >5 grids => close to the nature

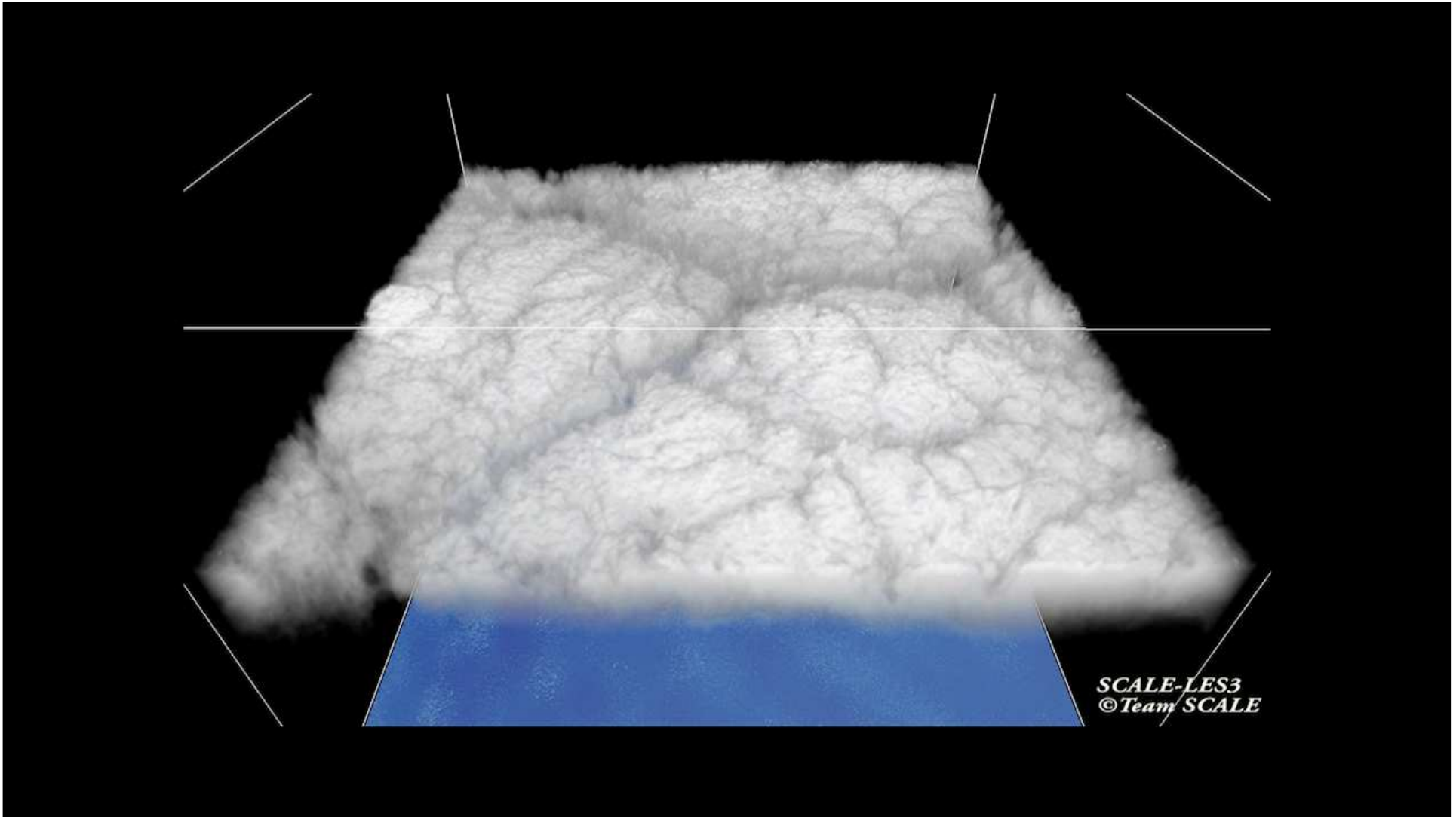
conclusion

Convection features (structure, number, distance

change between $\Delta 3.5$ km \leftrightarrow $\Delta 1.7$ km

- Δx should be 2.0~3.0 km to resolve convection in global models

Resolution of 2km is tipping point!

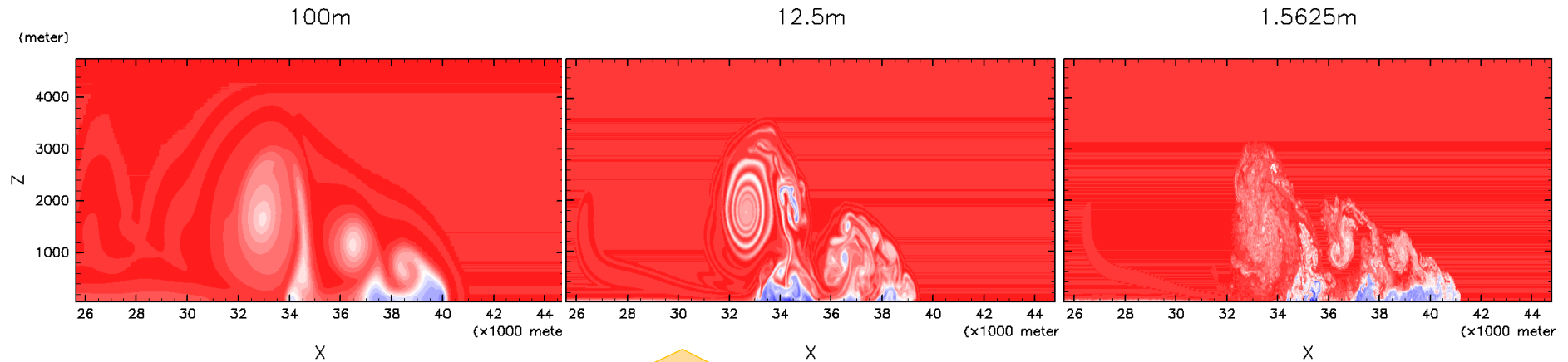


Validation of higher resolution simulation

Density current test case

51.2 km x 6.4 km (2-D domain)

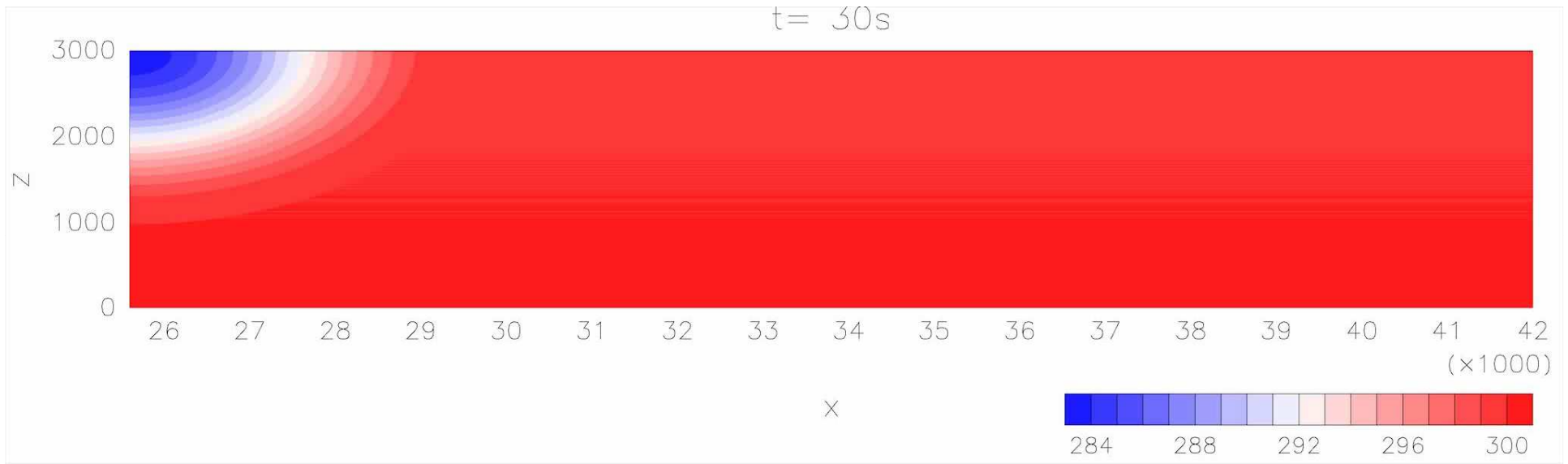
Same setting as Straka et al. (1993) but no physical diffusion.



The bigger spiral structure still remain due to absent of the smaller scale instability. It does not mixed well.

animation

Higher resolution: not always better than lower one without appropriate treatment /parameterization.



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