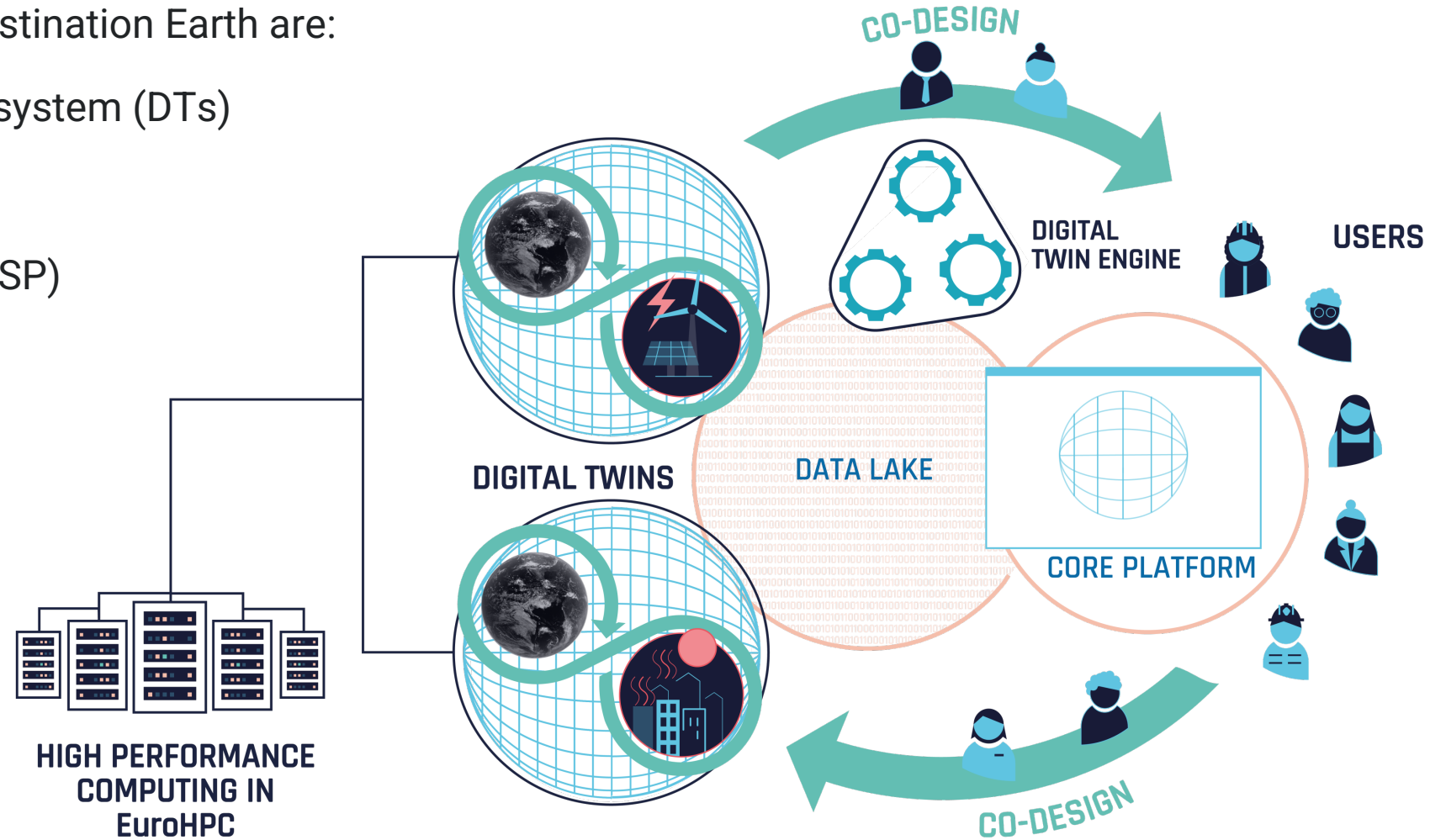


THE DIGITAL TWIN ENGINE

The main components of Destination Earth are:

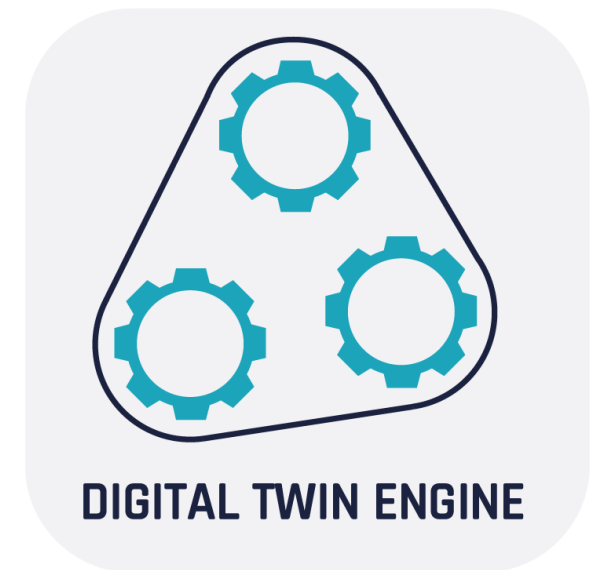
- Digital Twins of the Earth system (DTs)
- Digital Twin Engine (DTE)
- Core Service Platform (DESP)
- Data Lake (DEDL)



THE DIGITAL TWIN ENGINE

The Digital Twin Engine (DTE) is:

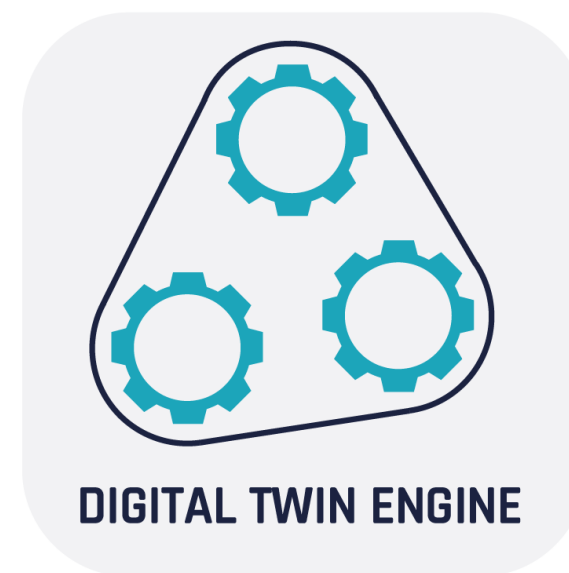
- A modular software framework comprising of many different components
- Designed to create a unified ecosystem for Digital Twins
- Designed for **interoperability**



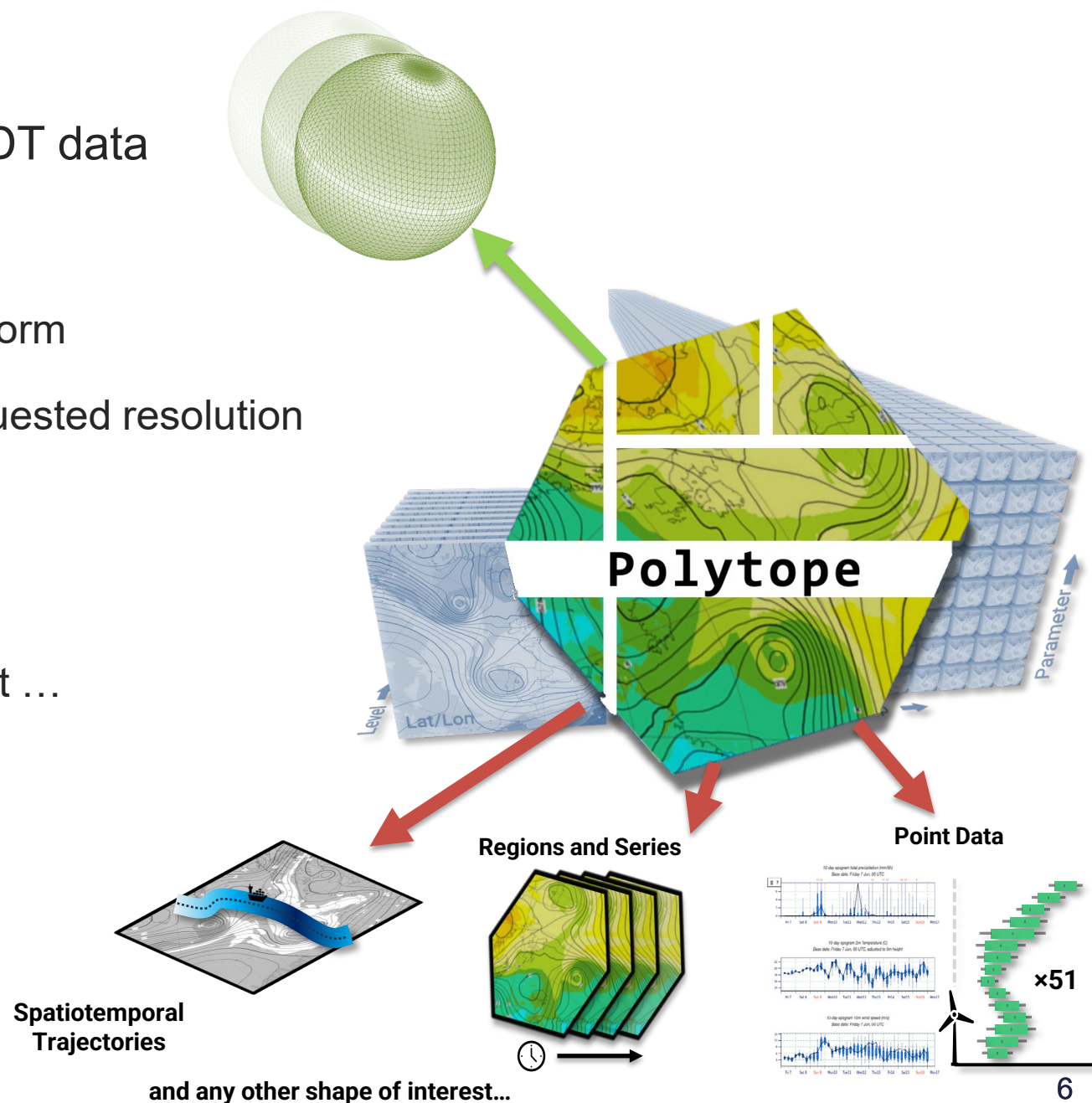
What do we mean by “interoperability”?

- Make it easy to run DTs on different infrastructure
- Make it easy for DTs to talk to each other
- Make it easy for operators to control their DTs
- **Make it easy for users to interact with DTs and their outputs**

This is why you're here

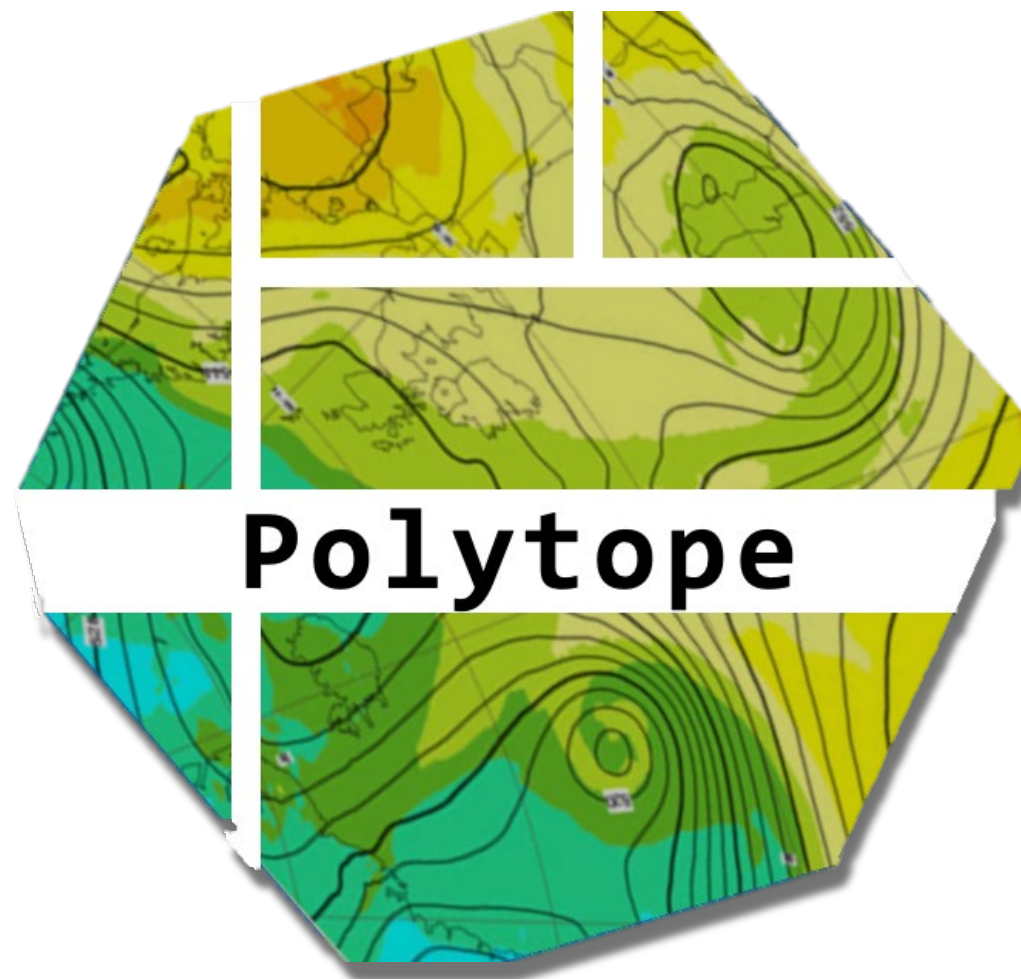


- Data service providing direct access to DT data
- Serves full fields at full resolution
 - The DT data in its original, raw unaltered form
 - Server-side interpolation on-the-fly to requested resolution
- Also offers “feature extraction”
 - Able to jump through the dense data to get ...



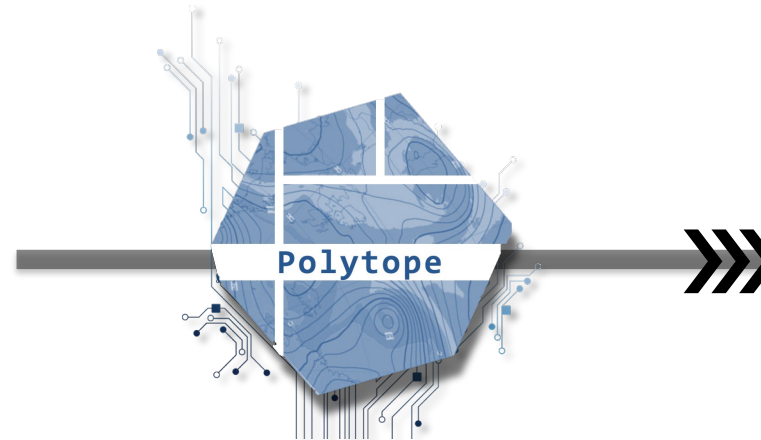
Polytope provides access to all data on the data bridges including:

- Climate DT
- Extremes DT
- On-Demand DT
- NextGEMS



- Users can submit a data request with a feature specification, on any DT data
- And receive an OGC CoverageJSON with just the few bytes of extracted data

```
{
  "class": "od",
  "stream": "enfo",
  "type": "pf",
  "date": "20231205",
  "time": "0000",
  "levtype": "sfc",
  "expver": "0001",
  "param": "228/49/164/165/166/167",
  "number": "1/to/50"
  "feature": {
    "type": "timeseries",
    "points": [[ 51.5, 2.1 ]],
    "start": 0,
    "end": 9
  }
}
```



```
{
  "type": "CoverageCollection",
  "domainType": "PointSeries",
  "coverages": [
    {
      "mars:metadata": {
        "class": "od",
        "stream": "enfo",
        "levtype": "pl",
        "date": "20231205",
        "number": "0",
      },
      "type": "Coverage",
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          "y": {"values": [2.1]},
          "t": {
            "values": [
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              "2017-01-01 01:00:00",
              "2017-01-01 02:00:00",
              "2017-01-01 03:00:00",
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              "2017-01-01 05:00:00",
              "2017-01-01 06:00:00",
              "2017-01-01 07:00:00",
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            ]
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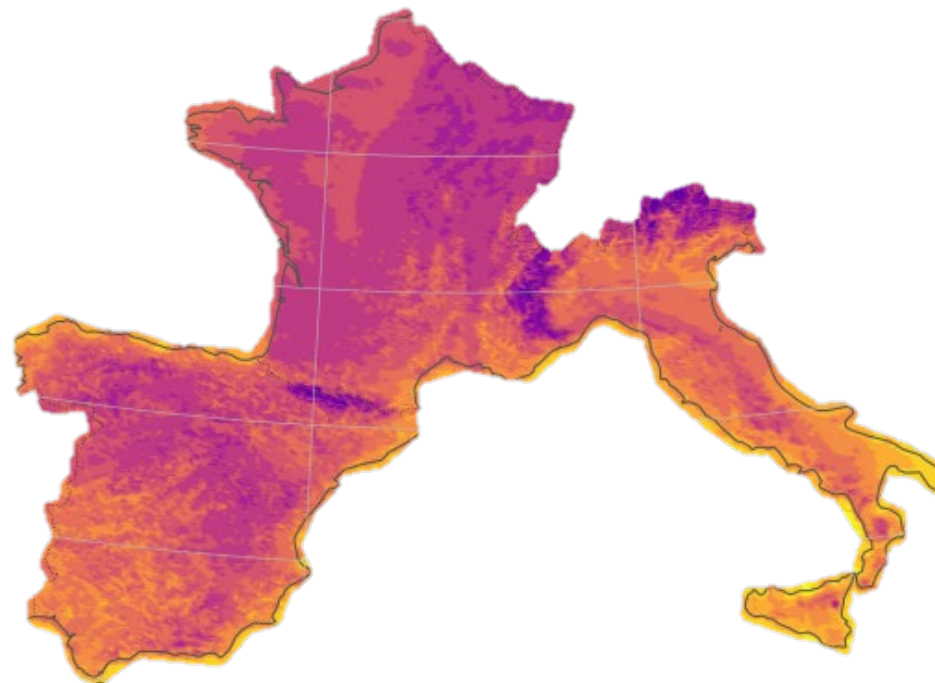
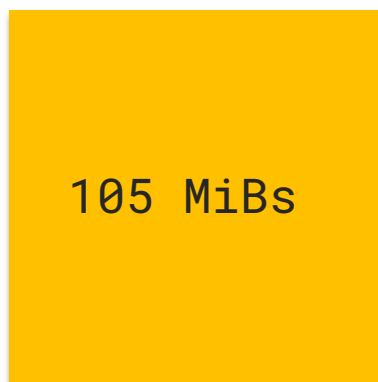

POLYTOPE

Polygon extraction of Spain, France and Italy

vs.

Extracting the entire global field

Percentage Reduction: **~95%**



POLYTOPE

Climate DT 20-year time-series of one parameter

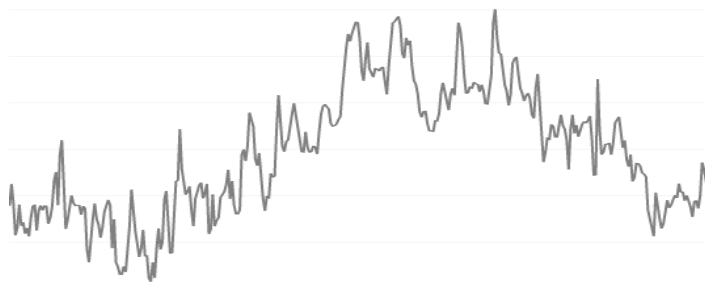
Global fields: **~770 GiB**

vs.

A single point: **5.5 MiB**

Percentage Reduction: **~99.999%**
(1:140000)

*We don't even read the
excess data from disk!*



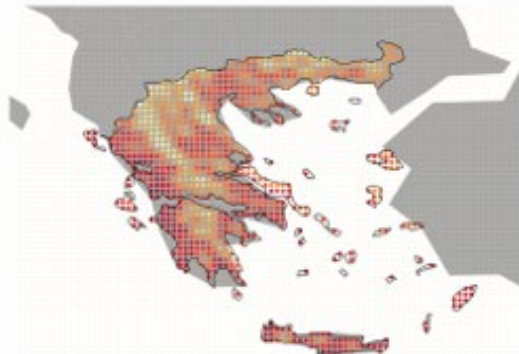
Can be found here <https://polytope.readthedocs.io>

Welcome to Polytope's documentation!

Polytope is a feature extraction software developed by ECMWF. It uses concepts of computational geometry to extract n-dimensional polygons (also known as *polytopes*) from datacubes.

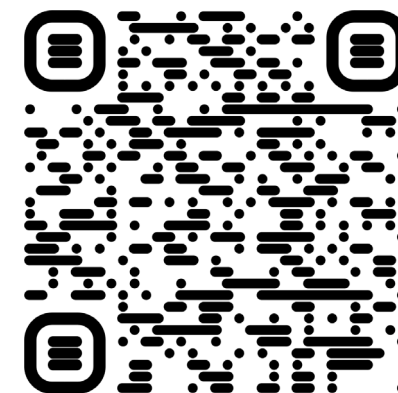
In particular, it can be used to request:

- 2D cut-outs, such as country cut-outs, from a datacube



DestinE example notebooks can be found here
<https://github.com/destination-earth-digital-twins/polytope-examples/tree/main>

- Prototype of this catalogue is up and running
- Climate DT data on LUMI is approximately 8.6 million fields
- JSON representation of the entire tree ~145KiB
- Our STAC extension makes it easy to build a dynamic request for 1000's of fields at once



STAC Items

Select one **or multiple** items and then click next to iteratively build up a full request.

Last database update:

Previous

Raw STAC

Next

time

Key Type: enum

Optional: No

No description available...

Select one or more values:

- ☒ 2300
- ☒ 2200
- ☒ 2100
- ☐ 2000
- ☐ 1900
- ☐ 1800
- ☐ 1700

Current Selection

This is a [MARS Selection](#) object in JSON format. Hover over a key or value for more info.

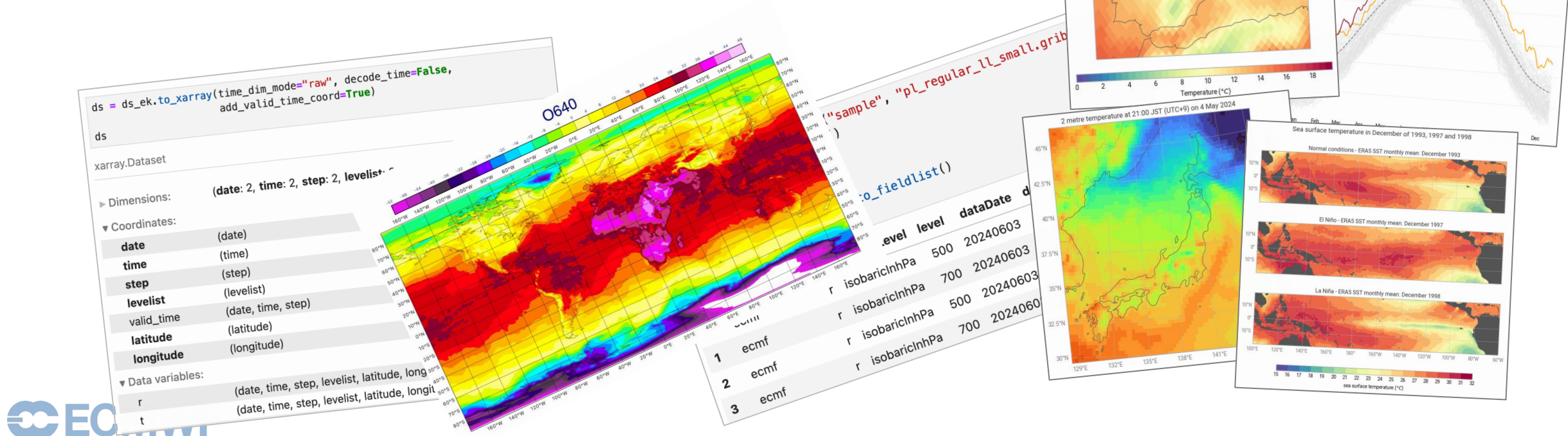
```
{
  "root": "root",
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  "dataset": "climate-dt",
  "date": ["20241201", "20241130", "20241129", "20241128"],
  "experiment": "ssp3-7.0",
  "expver": "0001",
  "generation": "1",
  "model": "ifs-nemo",
  "realization": "1",
  "stream": "clte",
  "levtype": "sfc",
  "resolution": "high",
  "type": "fc",
  "param": ["9", "8"],
}
```

Raw STAC Response

See the [STAC Extension Proposal](#) for more details on the format.

```
{
  "type": "Collection",
  "stac_version": "1.0.0",
  "id": "partial-matches",
  "description": "STAC collection representing potential children of this request",
  "links": [
    {
      "title": "time",
      "generalized_datacube:href_template": "/stac?root=root&activity=scenariomip&class=d1&dataset=climate-dt&date=20241201&experiment=ssp3-7.0&expver=0001&generation=1&model=ifs-nemo&realization=1&stream=clte&levtype=sfc&resolution=high&type=fc&param=9,8&time={}",
      "rel": "child",
      "type": "application/json",
      "generalized_datacube:dimension": 1
    }
  ]
}
```


- **Earthkit** is a set of powerful Python components for interacting with weather and climate data
- Open-source, ECMWF-maintained and designed for collaboration across weather and climate communities



EARTHKIT



POLYTOPE SUPPORT

```
import earthkit.data
import earthkit.plots
import earthkit.regrid
```

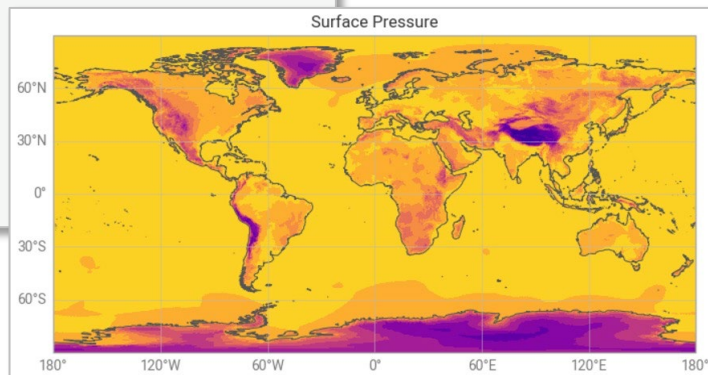
```
request = {
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    'class': 'd1',
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    'expver': '0001',
    'generation': '1',
    'levtype': 'sfc',
    'model': 'IFS-NEMO',
    'param': '134/165/166',
    'realization': '1',
    'resolution': 'standard',
    'stream': 'clte',
    'time': '0100', # '0100/0200/0300/0400/0500/0600'
    'type': 'fc'
}
```

```
# data is an earthkit streaming object but with stream=False will
data = earthkit.data.from_source("polytope", "destination-earth",
```

```
chart = earthkit.plots.Map(extent=[-180, 180, -90, 90])
chart.plot(
    data[0]
)
```

```
chart.title("Surface Pressure")
chart.coastlines()
chart.gridlines()
chart.show()
```

HEALPix GRIB DATA from Polytope



Polygons from Polytope (CovJSON)

```
import earthkit.data as ekd
```

```
request = {
    "class": "od",
    "stream": "enfo",
    "type": "pf",
    "date": -1,
    "time": "1200",
    "levtype": "sfc",
    "expver": 1,
    "domain": "g",
    "param": "167/169",
    "number": "1",
    "step": "0",
    "feature": {
        "type": "polygon",
        "shape": coords
    },
},
```

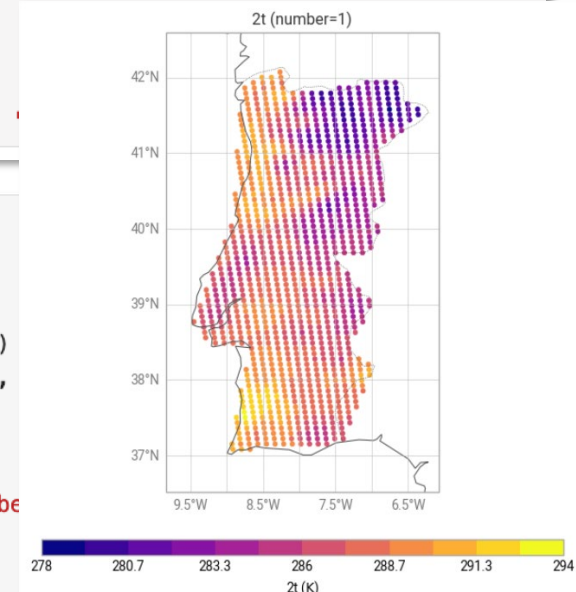
```
ds = ekd.from_source("polytope",
```

```
da = ds.to_xarray()
```

```
import earthkit.plots as ekp
```

```
chart = ekp.Map(domain="Portugal")
chart.point_cloud(da['2t'], x="y",
chart.coastlines()
chart.borders()
chart.gridlines()
chart.title("{variable_name} (number={number})")
chart.legend()
```

```
chart.show()
```



XARRAY CONVERSION



```
import earthkit.data as ekd

request = {
    'activity': 'ScenarioMIP',
    'class': 'd1',
    'dataset': 'climate-dt',
    'date': '20200102',
    'experiment': 'SSP3-7.0',
    'expver': '0001',
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    'param': '134/166/167',
    'realization': '1',
    'resolution': 'standard',
    'stream': 'clte',
    'time': '1/2',
    'type': 'fc'
}

ds = ekd.from_source("polytope", "destination-earth", request,
    address="polytope.lumi.apps.dte.destination",
    stream=False)
```

HEALPix GRIB
DATA from
Polytope

```
ds.to_xarray(time_dim_mode="valid_time")
```

xarray.Dataset

► Dimensions: (valid_time: 2, values: 196608)

▼ Coordinates:

valid_time	(valid_time)	datetime64[ns]	2020-01-02T01:00:00.2
latitude	(values)	float64	...
longitude	(values)	float64	...

▼ Data variables:

10v	(valid_time, values)	float64	...
2t	(valid_time, values)	float64	...
sp	(valid_time, values)	float64	...

ATHER FORECASTS

```
import earthkit.data as ekd

request = {
    "class": "od",
    "stream": "enfo",
    "type": "pf",
    "date": -1,
    "time": "1200",
    "levtype": "sfc",
    "expver": 1,
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    "param": "167/169",
    "number": "1",
    "step": "0",
    "feature": {
        "type": "polygon",
        "shape": coords
    },
}

ds = ekd.from_source("polytope", "ecmwf-mars", request, stream=False, a
```

Polygons
from
Polytope
(CovJSON)

```
ds.to_xarray()
```

xarray.Dataset

► Dimensions: (datetimes: 1, number: 1, steps: 1, points: 1093)

▼ Coordinates:

datetimes	(datetimes)	<U20	'2025-11-02T12:00:00Z'
number	(number)	int64	1
steps	(steps)	int64	0
points	(points)	int64	0 1 2 3 4 ... 1089 1090 1091 10...
latitude	(points)	float64	37.08 37.08 37.08 ... 42.0 42.07
longitude	(points)	float64	351.1 351.2 351.3 ... 351.7 351.7
levelist	(points)	float64	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 ... 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0

▼ Data variables:

2t	(datetimes, number, steps, points)	float64	293.9 295.0 294.0 ... 285.2 28...
ssrd	(datetimes, number, steps, points)	float64	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 ... 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0

REGRIDDING

```
import earthkit.data as ekd
```

```
request = {  
    'activity': 'ScenarioMIP',  
    'class': 'd1',  
    'dataset': 'climate-dt',  
    'date': '20200102',  
    'experiment': 'SSP3-7.0',  
    'expver': '0001',  
    'generation': '1',  
    'levtype': 'sfc',  
    'model': 'IFS-NEMO',  
    'param': '134',  
    'realization': '1',  
    'resolution': 'standard',  
    'stream': 'clte',  
    'time': '1/2',  
    'type': 'fc'  
}
```

```
ds = ekd.from_source("polytope", "destination-earth", request,  
    address="polytope.lumi.apps.dte.dest",  
    stream=False)
```

```
ds.ls(keys=["param", "gridType"])
```

	param	gridType
0	2t	healpix
1	2t	healpix

Getting data on
HEALPix grid from
Polytope

Interpolate to
regular-latlon
grid

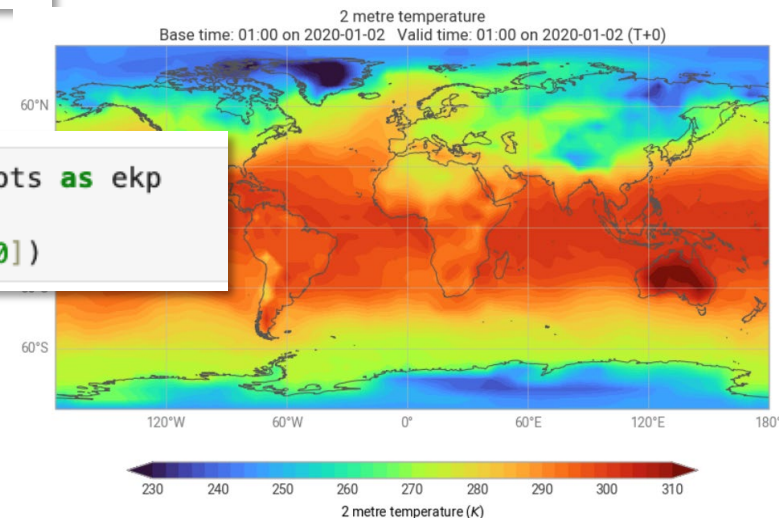


```
from earthkit.regrid import interpolate
```

```
ds1 = interpolate(ds, out_grid={"grid": [5,5]})  
ds1.ls(keys=["param", "gridType"])
```

	param	gridType
0	2t	regular_ll
1	2t	regular_ll

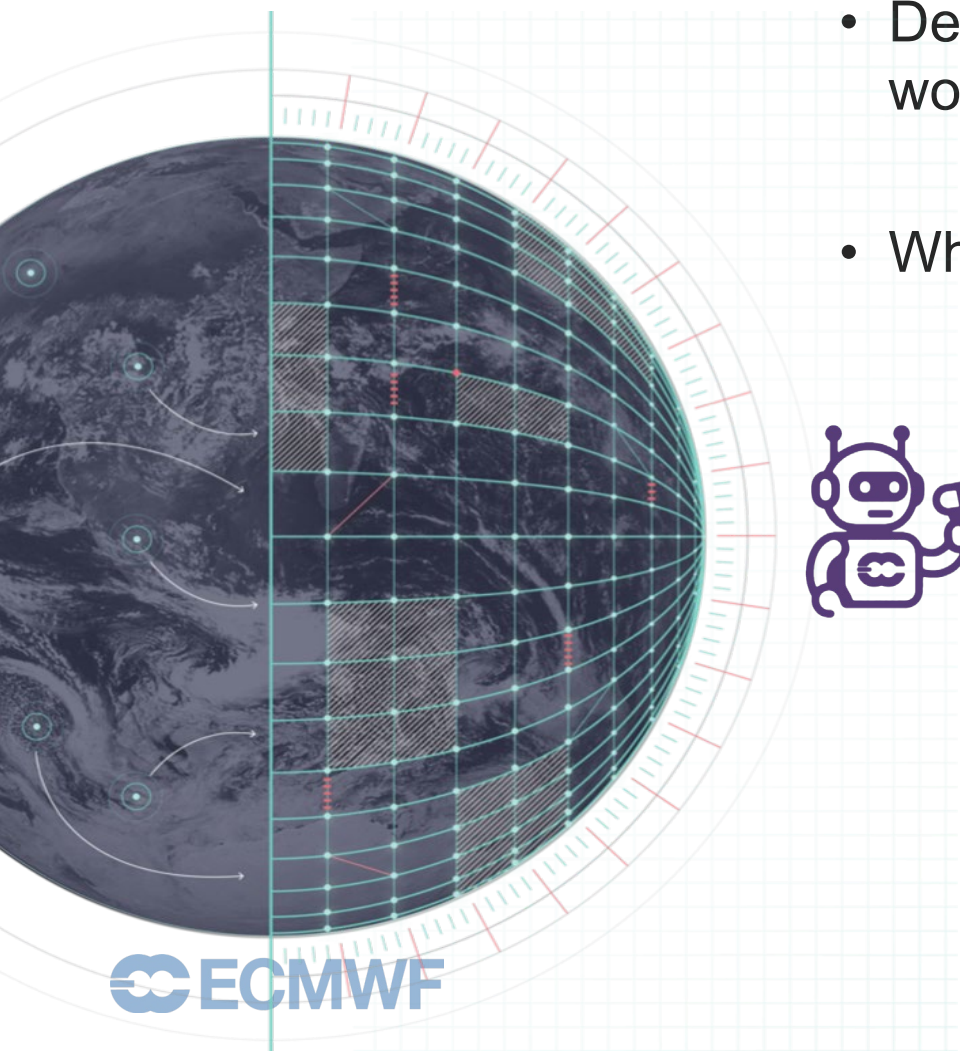
```
import earthkit.plots as ekp  
ekp.quickplot(ds1[0])
```



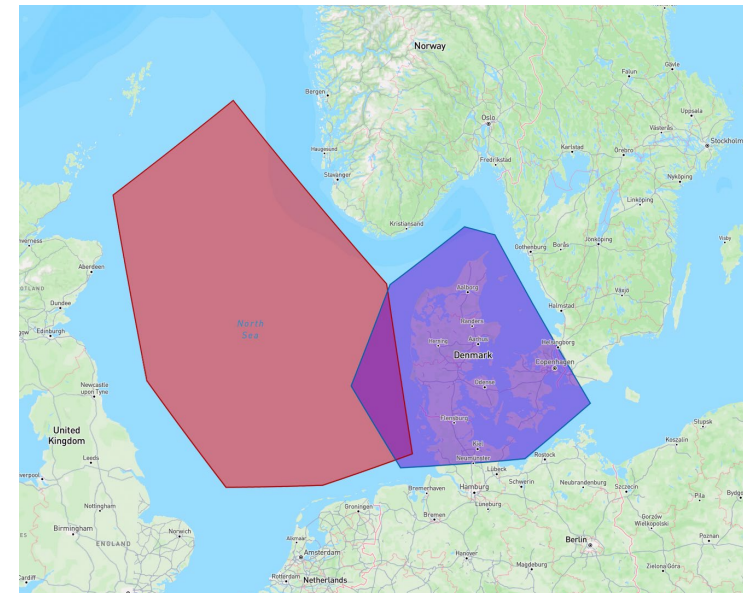
AVISO

- Notifies of data availability from the ECMWF and DestinE
- Designed to integrate with and automate downstream workflows

- When «this» When «that» do
- New ECMWF data available
- today's Extremes DT available
- on-demand DT available
- ECPDS product available
- run my analysis
- plot the new data
- update my website
- schedule another DT

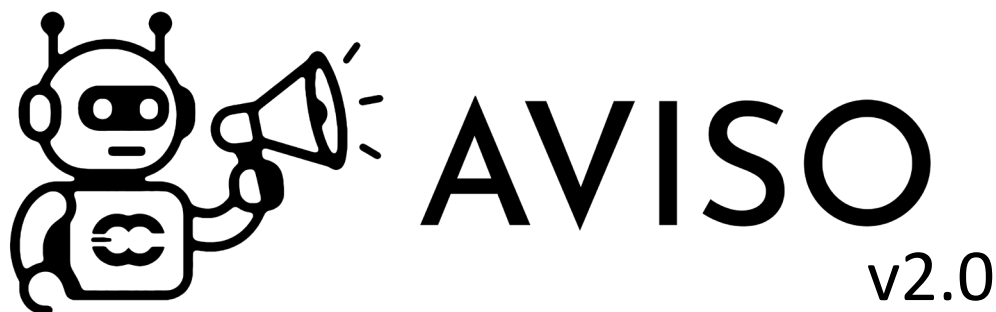
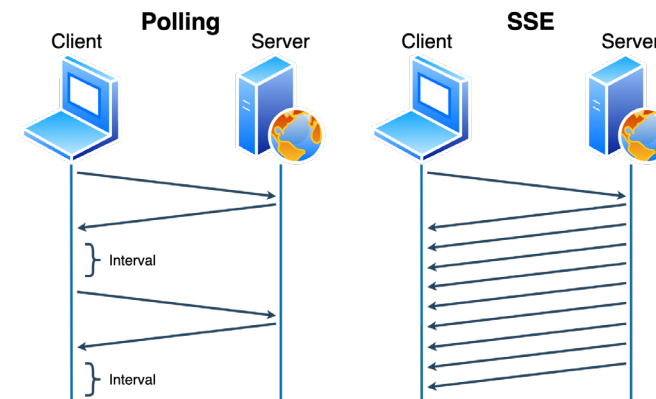


- New in phase 2: Geofenced Notifications
 - Allows us to send notifications of extreme events with an area of impact
 - And allows users to listen to areas of interest
 - Used to trigger downstream modelling
 - Strong collaboration with on-demand DT and ECMWF member states
 - Prototype is working, aiming for production in Q1 2026

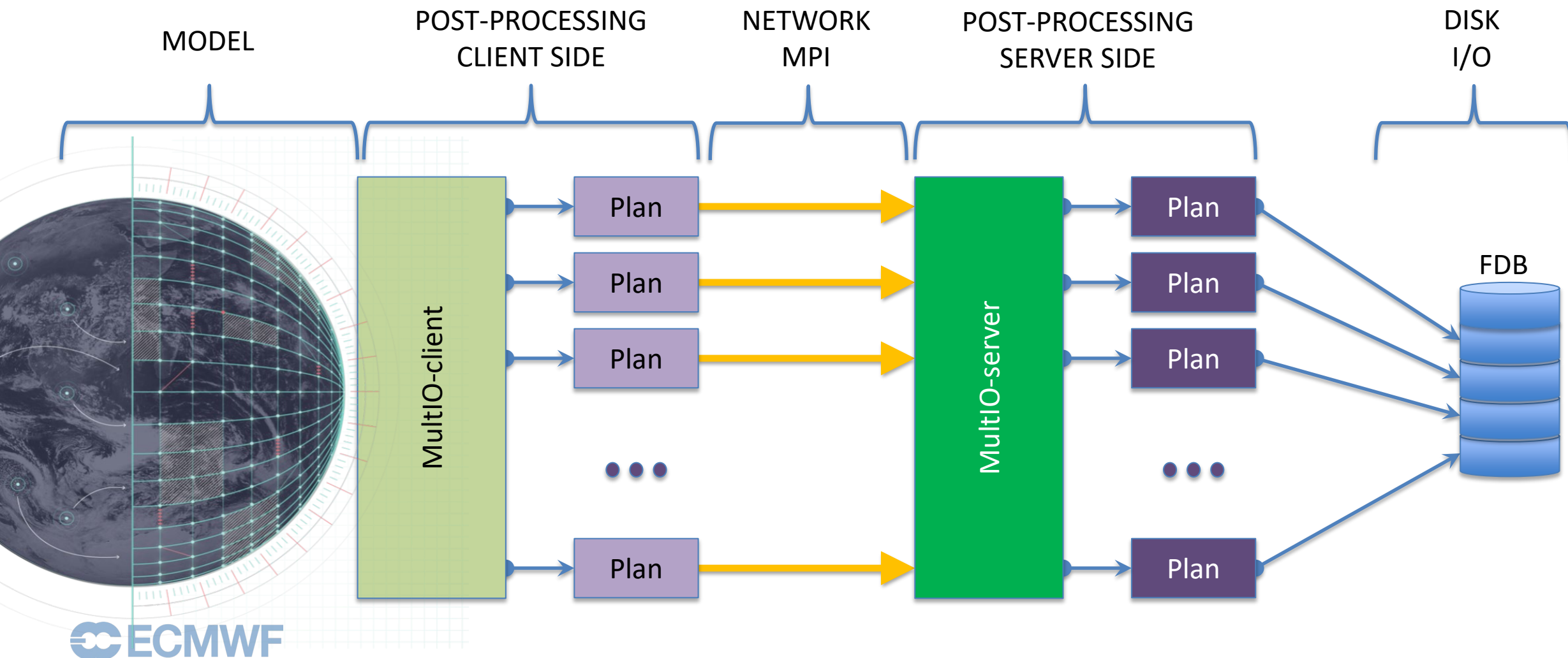


AVISO

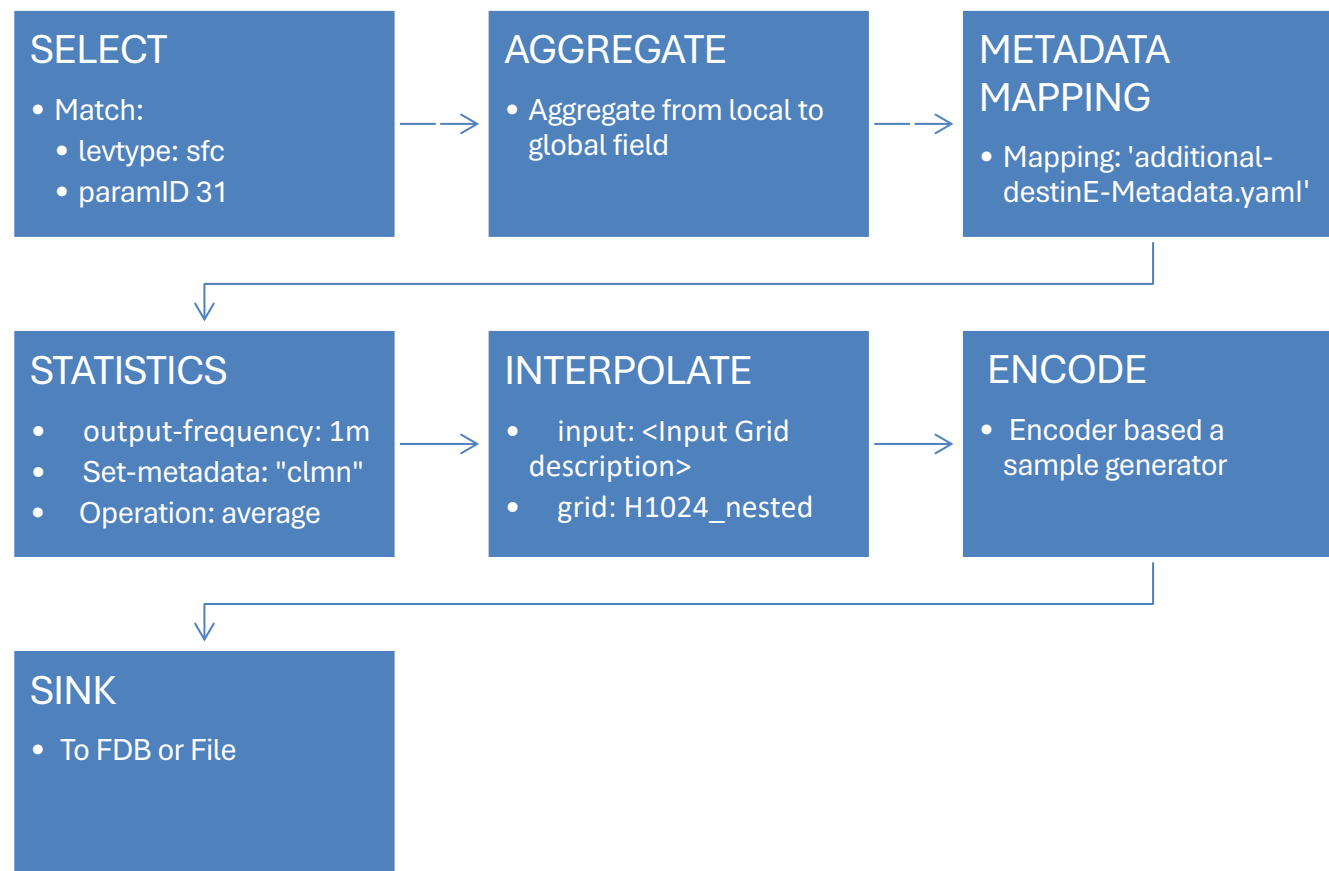
- Many other improvements
 - Redesigned client-server protocol to be much more lightweight
 - Replaced backend storage to be much more maintainable
 - Rebuilt server backend in Rust, more streamlined



MULTIO: Message based postprocessing framework

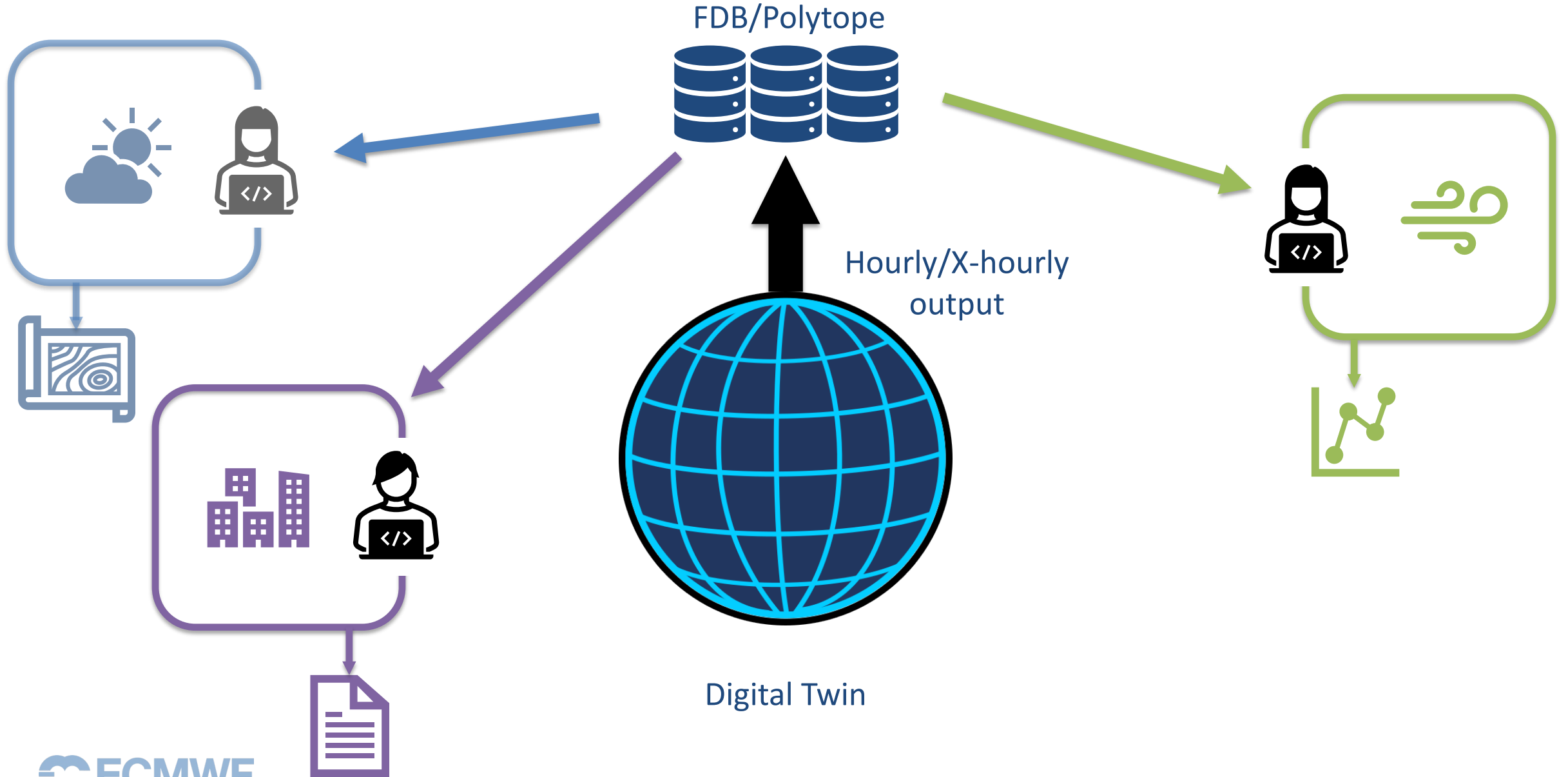


EXAMPLE POST PROCESSING PIPELINE

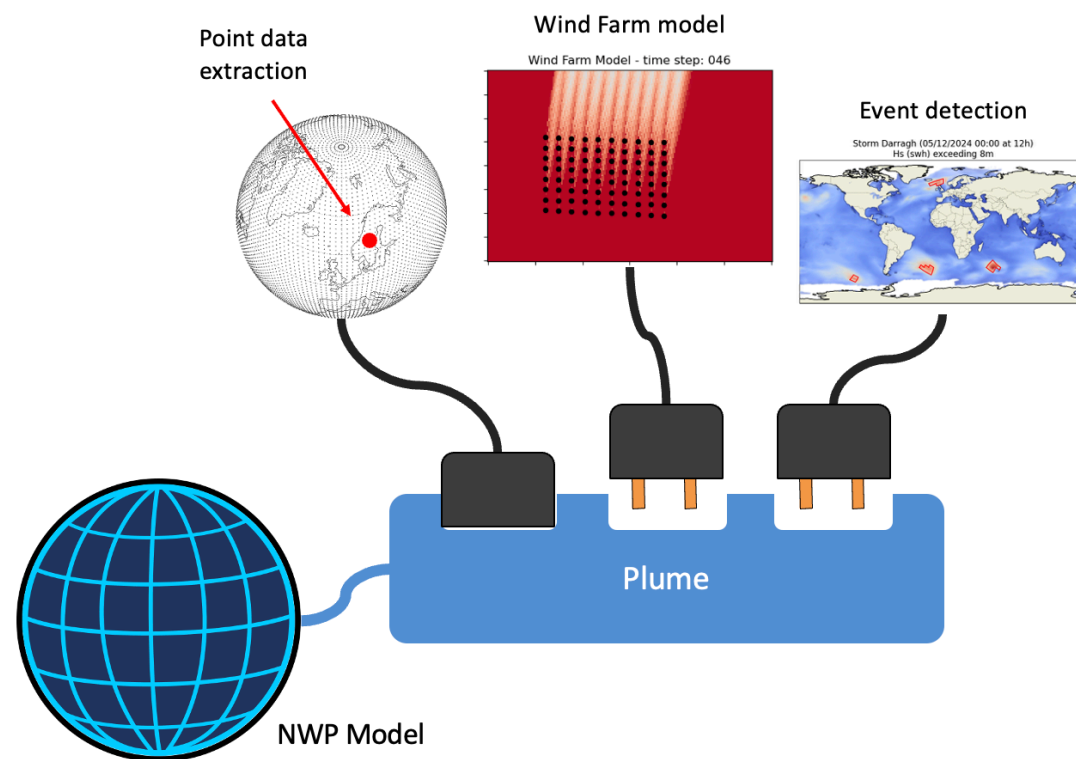


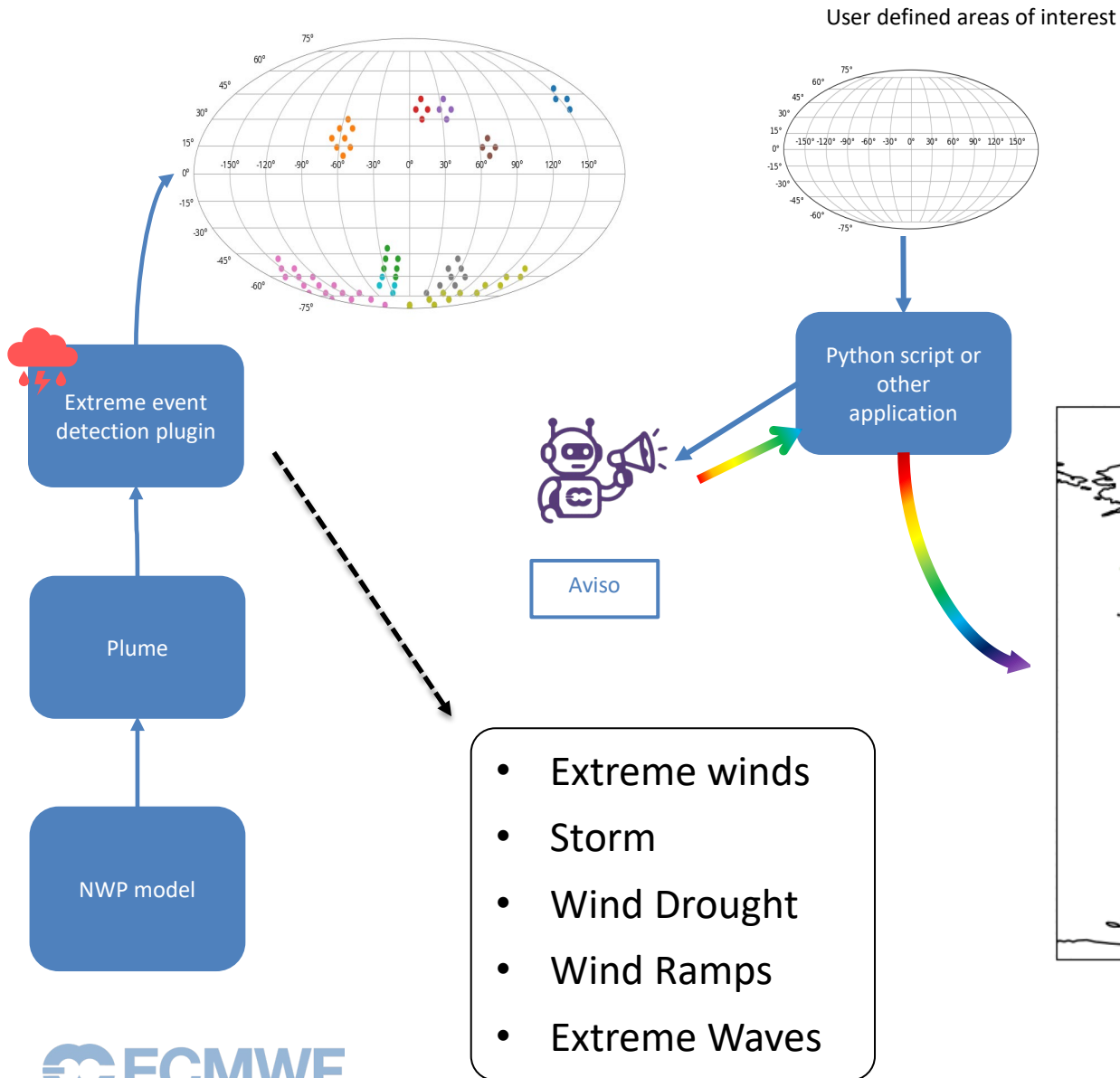
DESTINATION
EARTH

PLUME

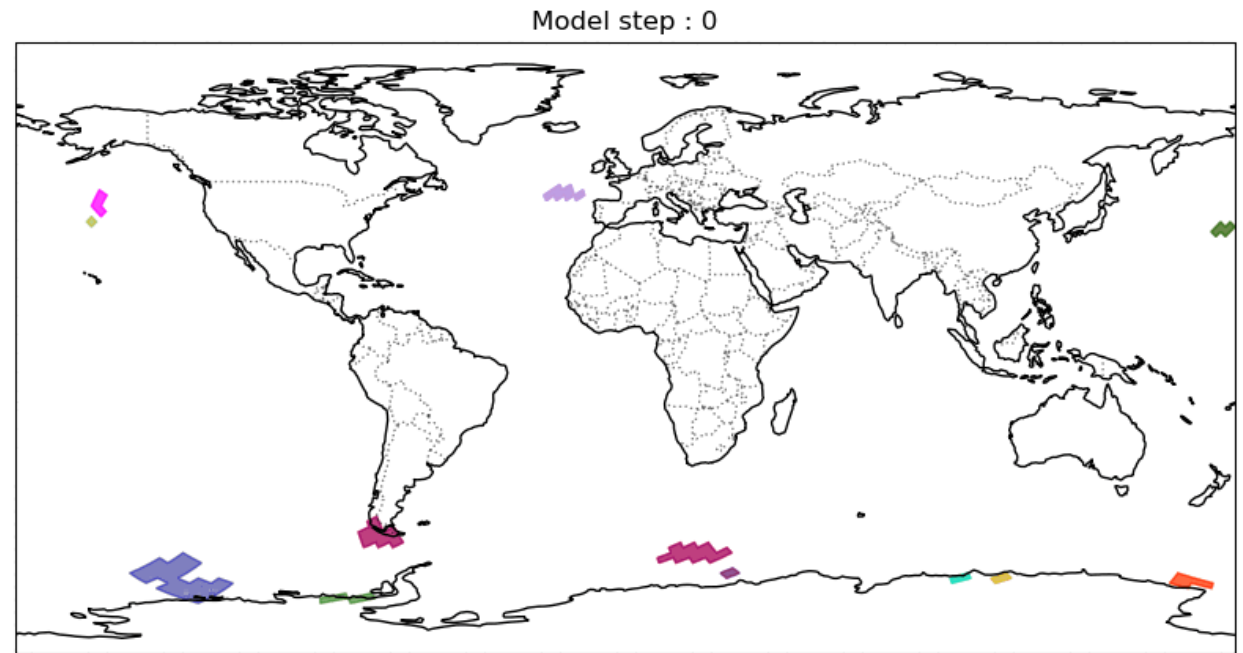


- Some **use-cases** would benefit from closer coupling:
 - Run as part of the HPC job which executes the model
 - Read model data in-memory
 - Access data at every (internal) timestep
- Plume is a **plug-in mechanism** which allows this interactivity with Digital Twins
 - One-way plugins: generate specific outputs from the Digital Twin
 - Two-way plugins (later): influence the physics of the Digital Twin
 - Provides a standardized API for accessing internal parts of the model, without DT-specific knowledge





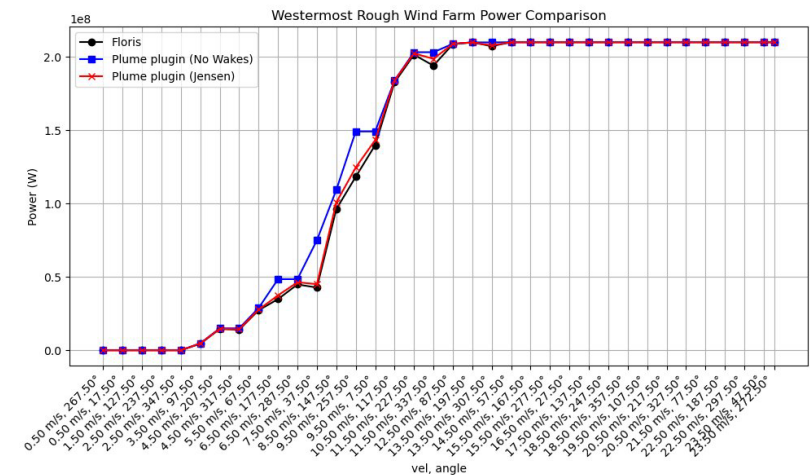
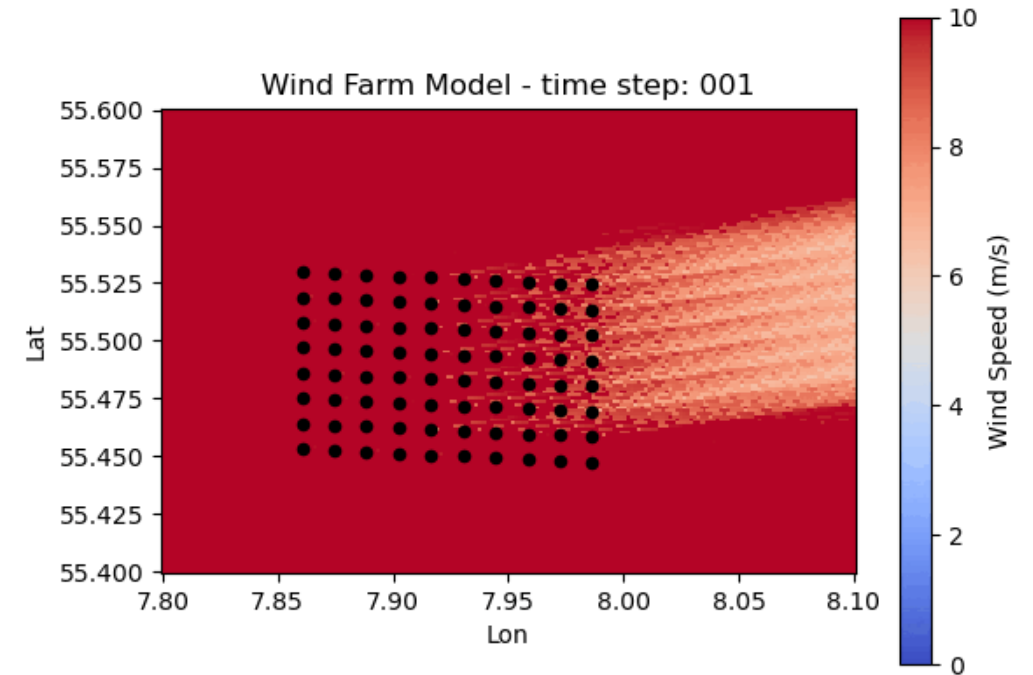
Extreme Event Detection Plugin



Cells highlight regions of extreme winds (>25m/s) on 27/10/2013 (ERA5 data)

Wind Farm Model Plugin

- Simulates Wind Turbines and wake interactions
- Wake model currently implemented: “Jensen”



Validation: “Floris” model @Westernmost Rough wind farm

Plume is highly collaborative

Got a use-case?

Speak to us!

