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Energy-efficient Scalable Algorithms for Weather Prediction at Exascale

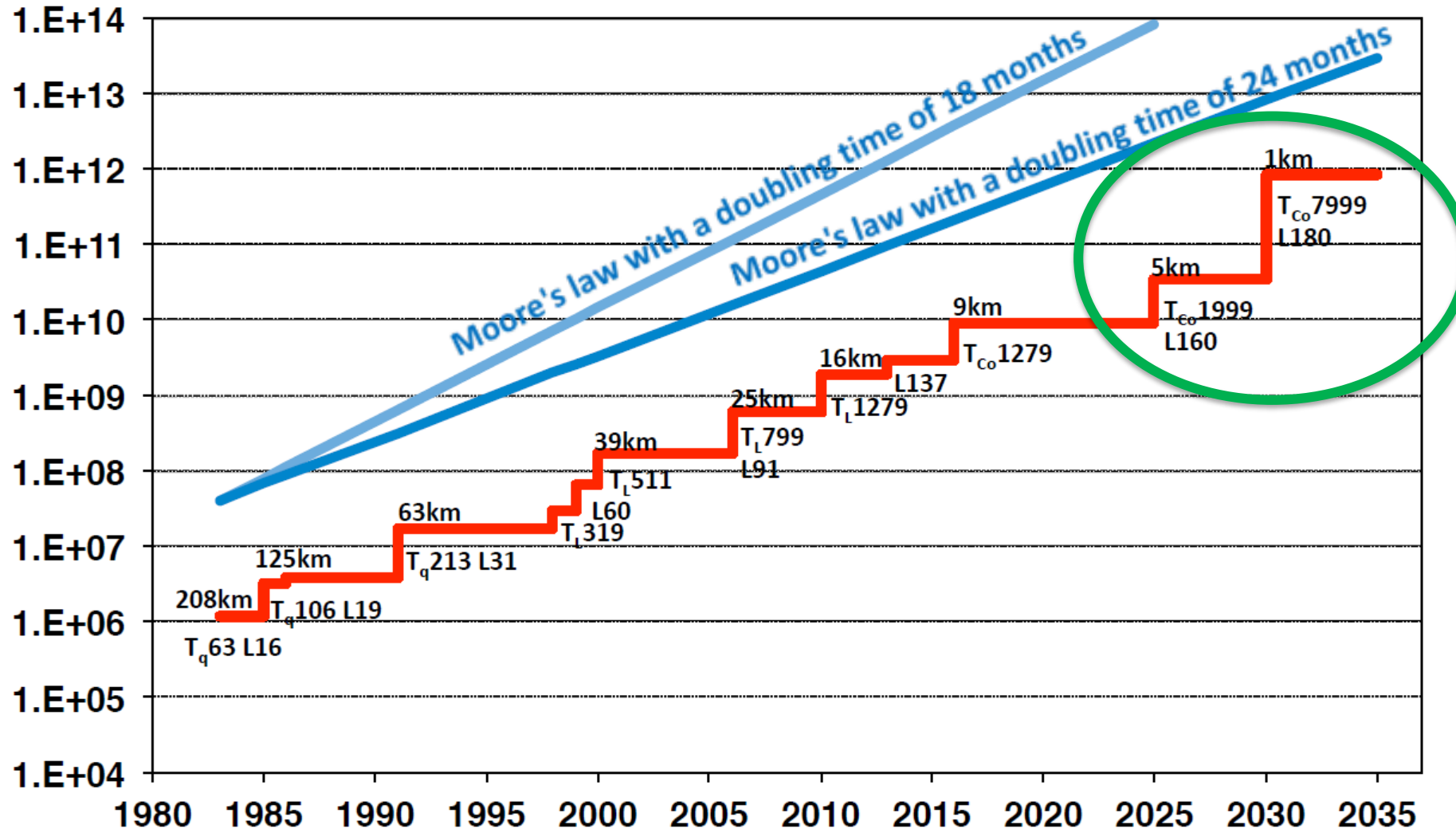
Nils P. Wedi, Peter Bauer, A. Mueller, W. Deconinck, ESCAPE project partners
European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts (ECMWF)



Outline

- Motivation: Emerging constraints for ensemble-based assimilation and forecasts of Weather & Climate with increasing complexity
- An intermediate goal: globally uniform weather & climate modelling at 1 km horizontal resolution
- *ESCAPE(-2) stands for*
 - Pioneering approaches for refactoring society critical legacy codes
 - Energy-efficient accelerator use in global weather & climate prediction
 - Co-development of novel mathematical algorithms & hardware adaptation
 - Defining and encapsulating the fundamental algorithmic building blocks ("Weather and Climate Dwarfs")
 - Reviewing the need for precision
 - Pioneering algorithm development with hardware adaptation using DSL toolchains
 - A HPCW benchmark and cross-disciplinary Verification, Validation, and Uncertainty Quantification (VVUQ)
 - Application resilience

Computational power drives spatial resolution



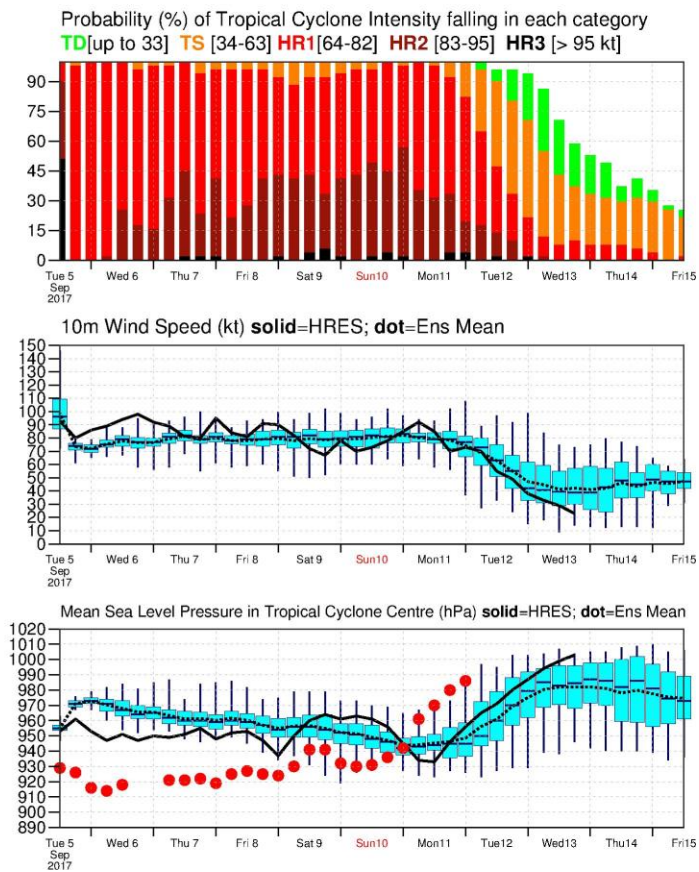
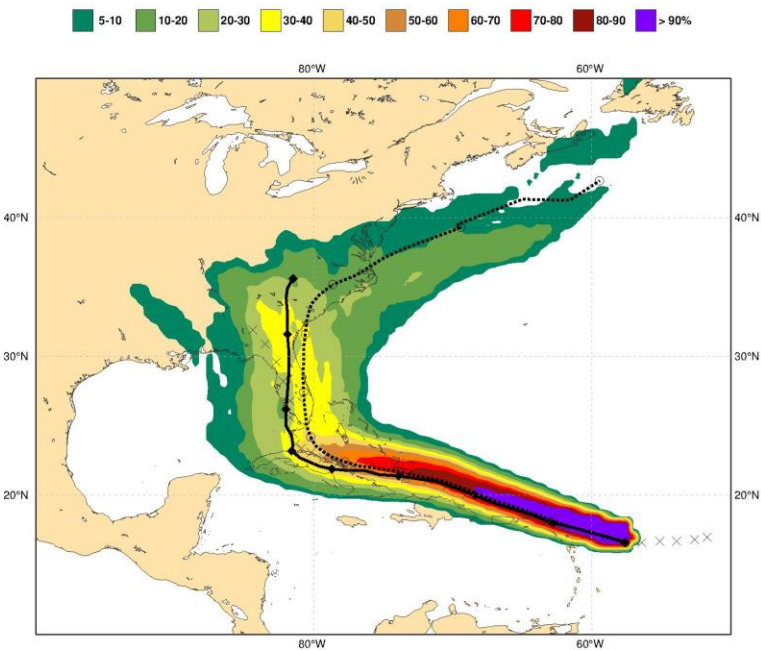
Gap of sustained and peak performance

Steepness of gradient from 10km to 1km

(Schulthess et al, 2018)

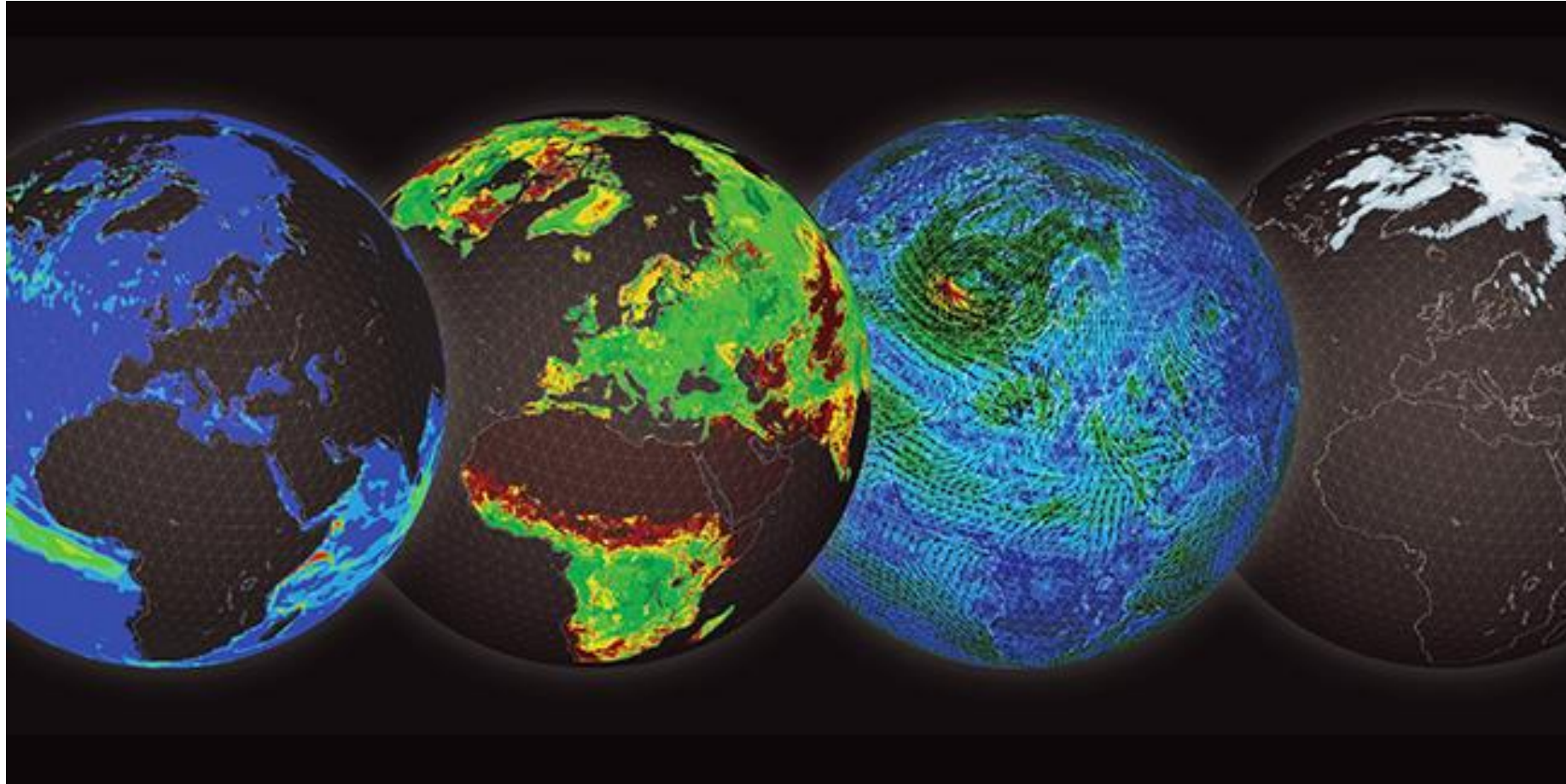
Hurricane IRMA 18km vs 5km ensemble

Date 20170905 12 UTC @ ECMF
Probability that **IRMA** will pass within 120 km radius during the next **240** hours
tracks: **solid**=HRES; **dot**=Ens Mean [reported minimum central pressure (hPa) **929**]



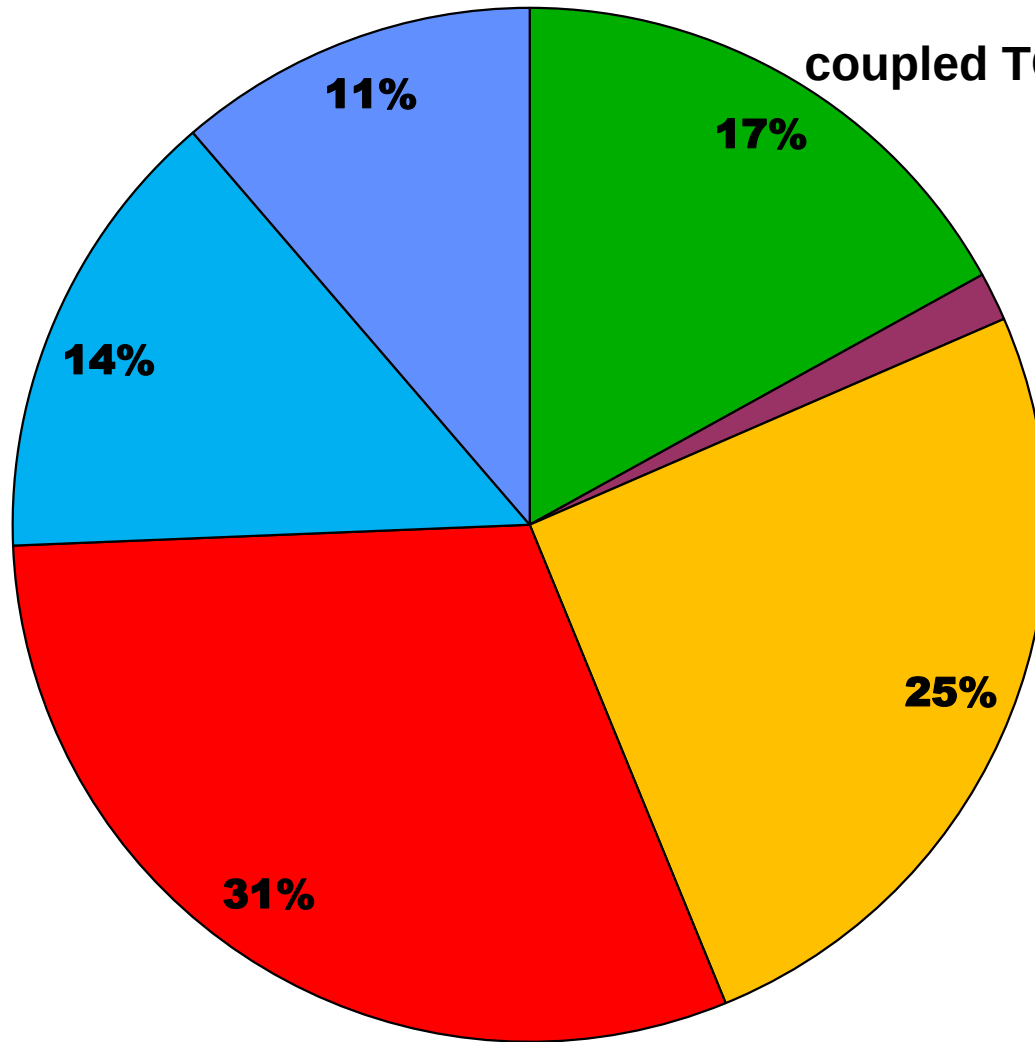
ECMWF Strategy 2025
a 5km ensemble ...

Ocean – Land – Atmosphere – Sea ice



Where do we spend the time ? Cycle 45r1

■ GP_DYNAMICS ■ SI_SOLVER ■ SP_TRANSFORMS ■ PHYSICS+RAD ■ WAVEMODEL ■ OCEANMODEL



coupled TCo1279 L137 (~9km operational) run

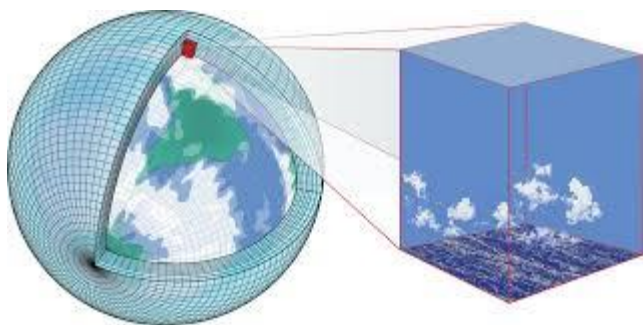
Single electrical group:
~52 minutes wallclock time
(single electrical group==384 nodes)

1408 MPI tasks x 18 threads
290 FC/day

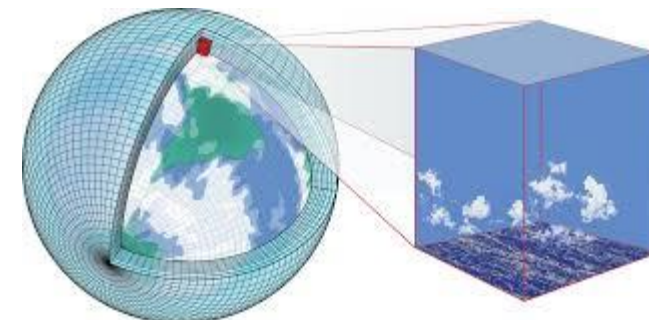
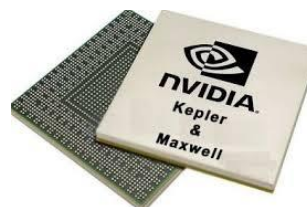
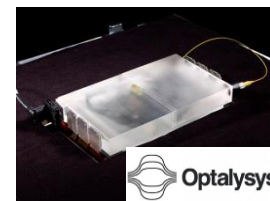


Weather & Climate Dwarfs

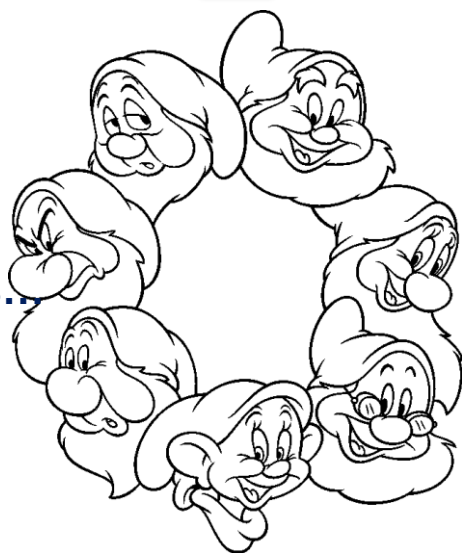
(hpc-
escape.eu)



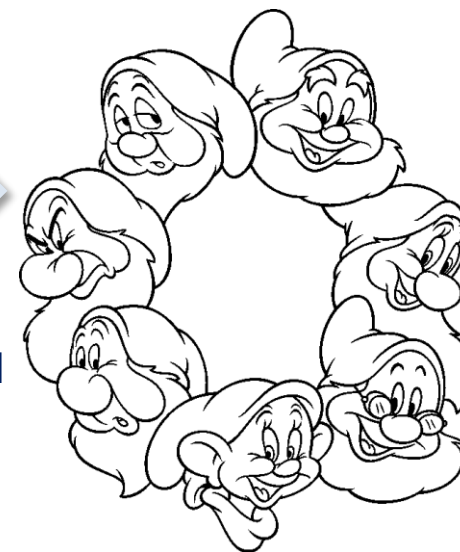
... hardware
adaptation ...



Extract model dwarfs...



... explore
alternative numerical
algorithms ...

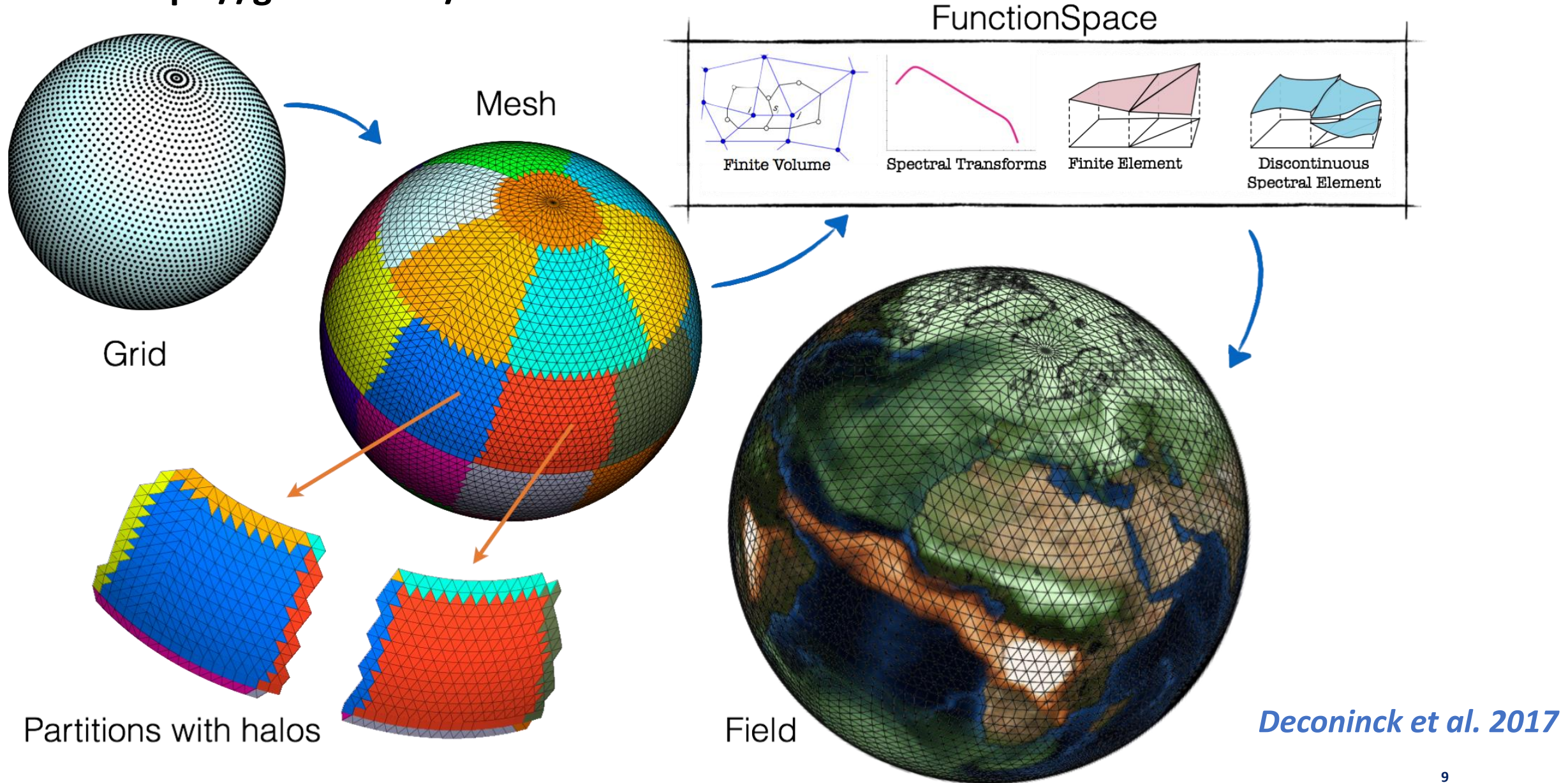


... reassemble
model and
benchmark



Atlas: a library for NWP and climate modelling

<https://github.com/ecmwf>



$$F(\Psi_L, \Psi_R, U) \equiv [U]^+ \Psi_L + [U]^- \Psi_R \quad (3a)$$

$$U \equiv \frac{u \delta t}{\delta x}, \quad [U]^+ \equiv 0.5(U + |U|), \quad [U]^- \equiv 0.5(U - |U|)$$

```
template <uint_t Color> struct upwind_flux {
    using flux = accessor<0, enumtype::inout, icosahedron_topology_t>;
    using pD =
        in_accessor<1, icosahedron_topology_t::vertices>;
    using vn = in_accessor<2, icosahedron_topology_t::vertices>;

    typedef boost::mpl::vector<flux, pD, vn> arg_list;

    template <typename Evaluation> static void Do(Evaluation &eval) {
        constexpr auto neighbors_offsets =
            connectivity<edges, vertices, Color>::offsets;
        constexpr auto ip0 = neighbors_offsets[0];
        constexpr auto ip1 = neighbors_offsets[1];

        float_type pos = math::max(eval(vn()), (float_type)0);
        float_type neg = math::min(eval(vn()), (float_type)0);

        eval(flux()) = eval(pos * pD(ip0) + neg * pD(ip1));
    }
};
```



Advection (MPDATA)

```
ite_upwind_flux(this, pflux, pD, pVn)
{
    intent(inout) :: this
    t(out) :: pflux(:, :)
    t(in) :: pVn(:, :), pD(:, :)
    s, zneg
    dges
    avels
    je, jlev, ip1, ip2

    debug('compute_upwind_flux')

    s%dimensions%nb_edges
    s%dimensions%nb_levels

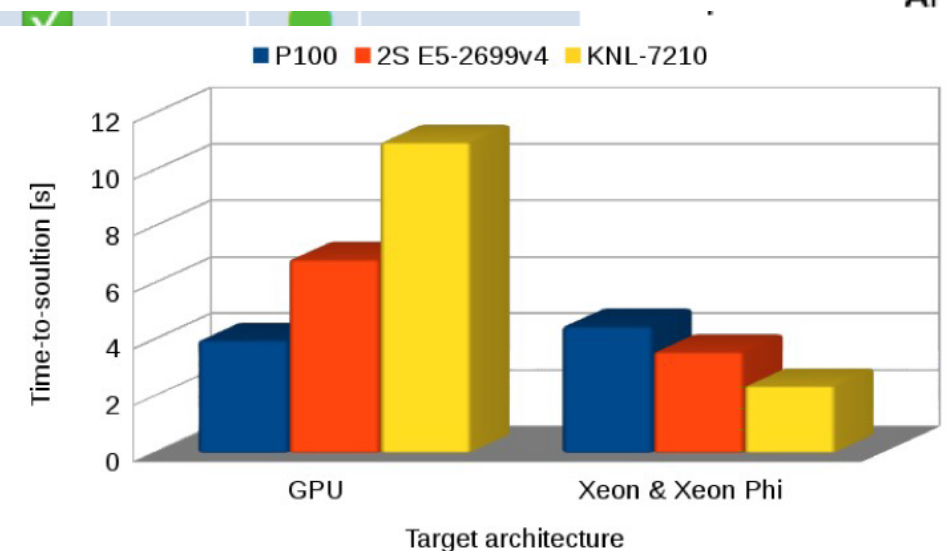
    DO SCHEDULE(STATIC) PRIVATE(jedge, jlev, ip1, ip2, zpos, zneg)
        _edges
        >de(1, jedge)
        >de(2, jedge)
        _levels
            = max(0._wp, pVn(jlev, jedge))
            = min(0._wp, pVn(jlev, jedge))
        jedge) = pD(jlev, ip1)*zpos + pD(jlev, ip2)*zneg
    END DO
enddo
!$OMP END PARALLEL DO
end subroutine compute_upwind_flux
```

Complementary skills of CLAW, GridTools (MeteoSwiss) and Atlas (ECMWF)

Dwarf	prototype implemented	docu- mented	based on Atlas	MPI	Open MP	Open ACC	DSL	Optalysys
D - spectral transform - SH	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
D - spectral transform - biFFT	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓
D - advection - MPDATA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
D - advection - semi-Lagrangian	✓	✓	✓	✓				
D - elliptic solver - GCR	✓	✓	✓	✓				
P - cloud microphysics - CloudSC	✓	✓		✓				
P - radiation scheme - ACRANE2	✓	✎	✎	✓				
I - LAITRI (3d interpol. algorithm)	✓	✓						
planned next:								
D - advection - discontinuousGalerkin	●	●	●	●				
D - elliptic solver - multigridPrecon	●	●	●	●				

✓: first version
running
✎: in progress
●: planned

Comparison of software optimized for GPU
and Xeon processors



Poulsen & Berg (2017)

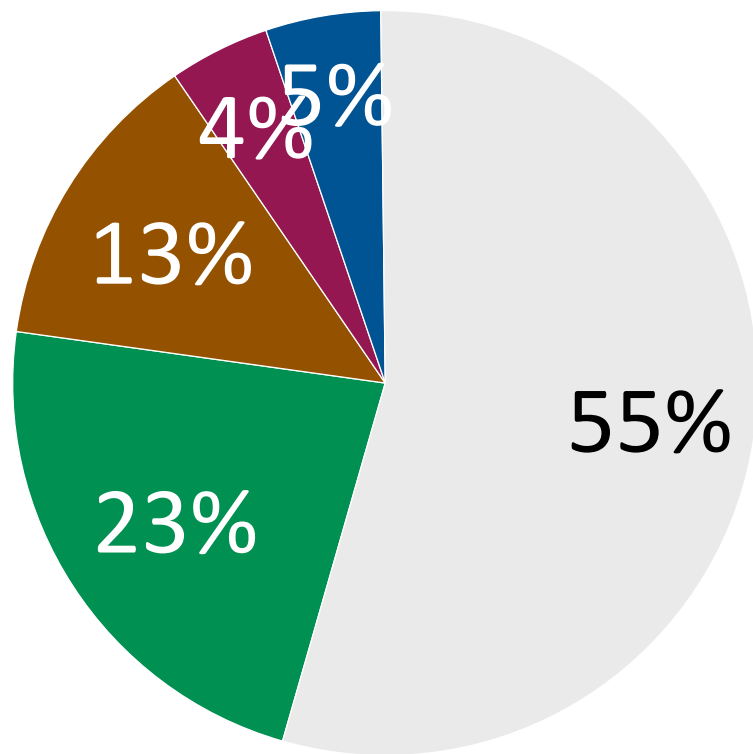


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dwarfs

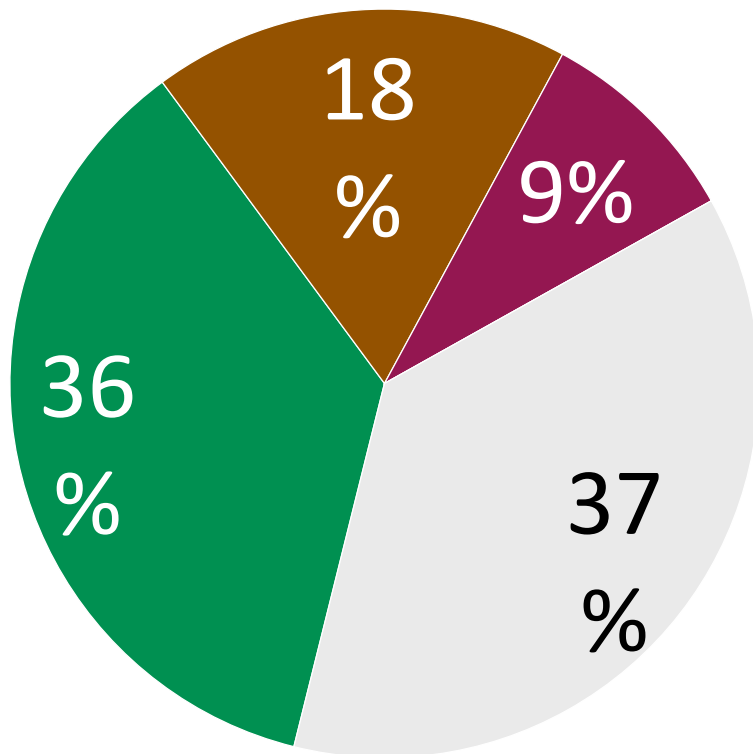
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IFS 9km (ECMWF)

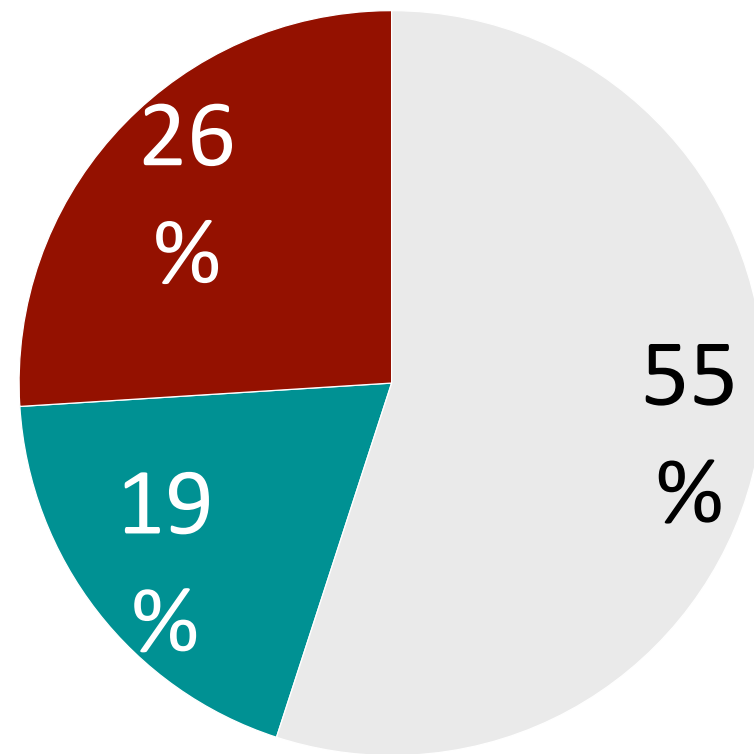


■ spectral transform

ALARO-EPS 2.5km (RMI)



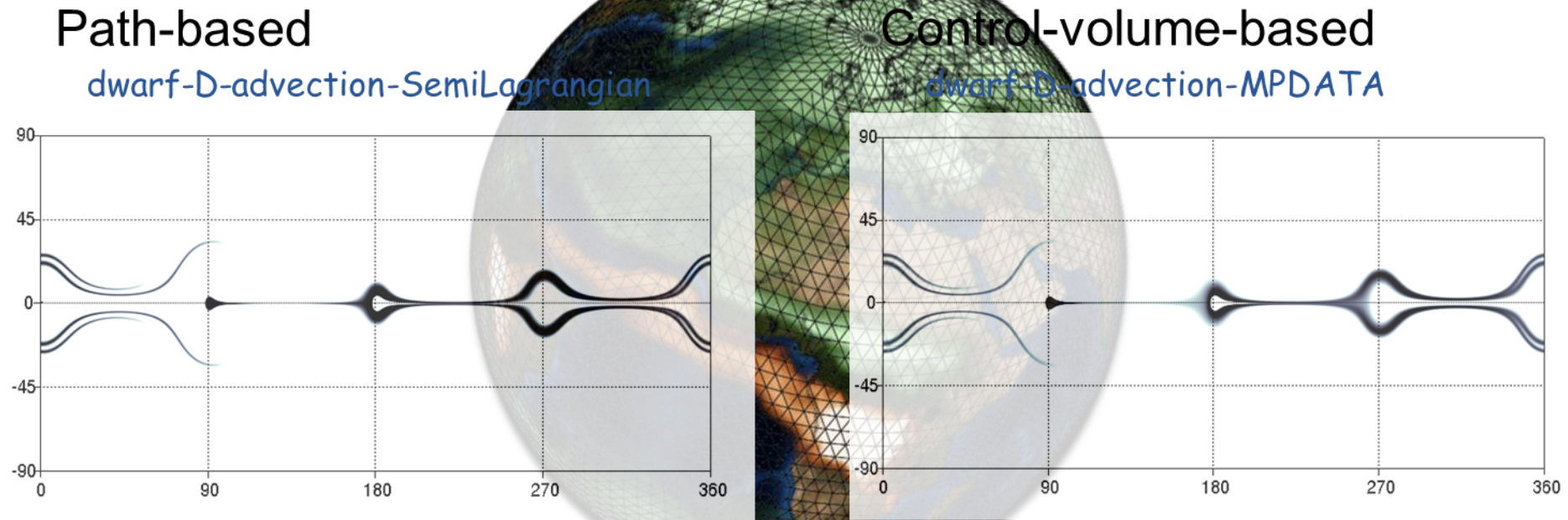
COSMO-EULAG 2.2km (PSNC)



■ GCR solver

Advection

Rossby-Haurwitz test case after 7 days

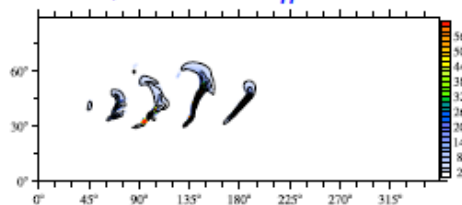


Atlas library support for both prototype implementations

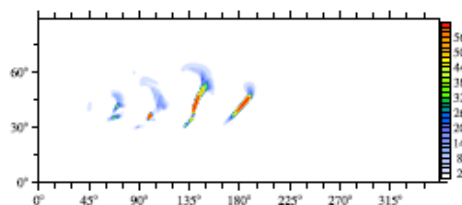
Moist baroclinic instability with FVM and spectral-transform IFS (ST) using large-scale condensation and diagnostic precipitation:

Precipitation (mm/day) at day 10

O160/TCO159, $\Delta_h \approx 62$ km

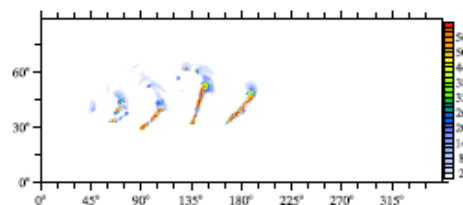
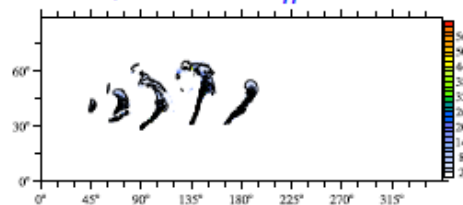


FV



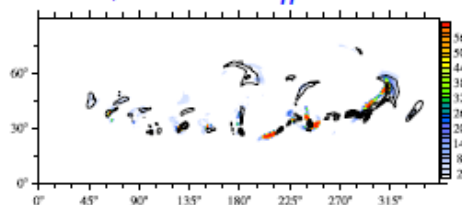
ST

O640/TCO639, $\Delta_h \approx 18$ km

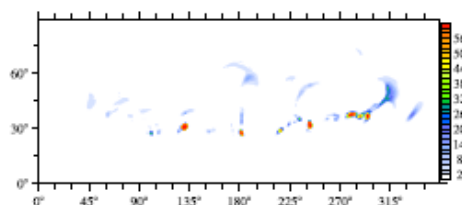


Precipitation (mm/day) at day 15

O160/TCO159, $\Delta_h \approx 62$ km

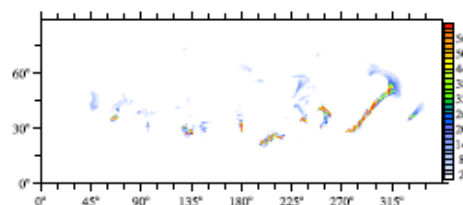
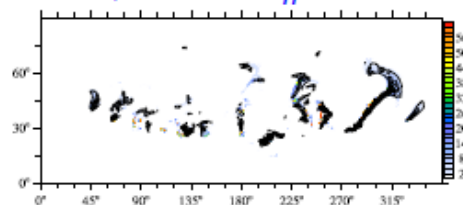


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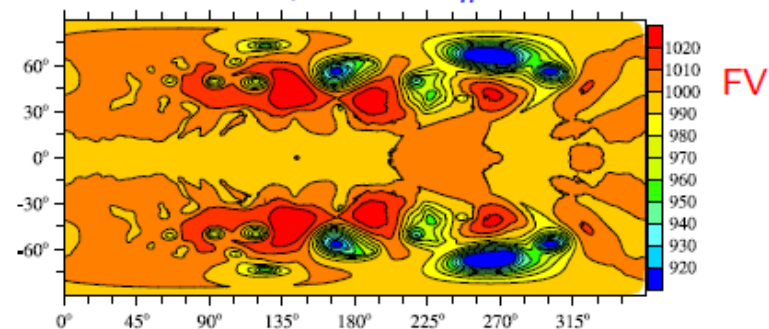
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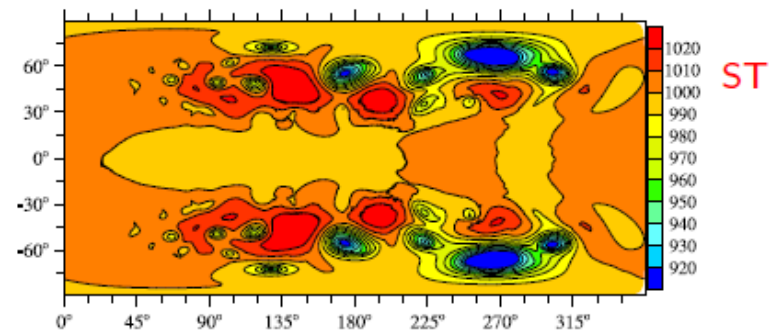
**Alternative dynamical core choices
on the same grid with the same physics!**

Christian Kuehnlein

Surface pressure O640/TCO639, $\Delta_h \approx 18$ km, day 15



FV



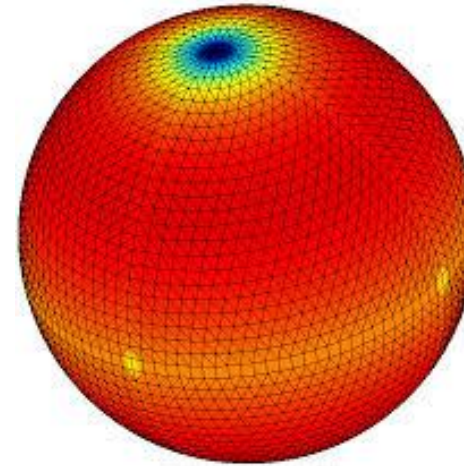
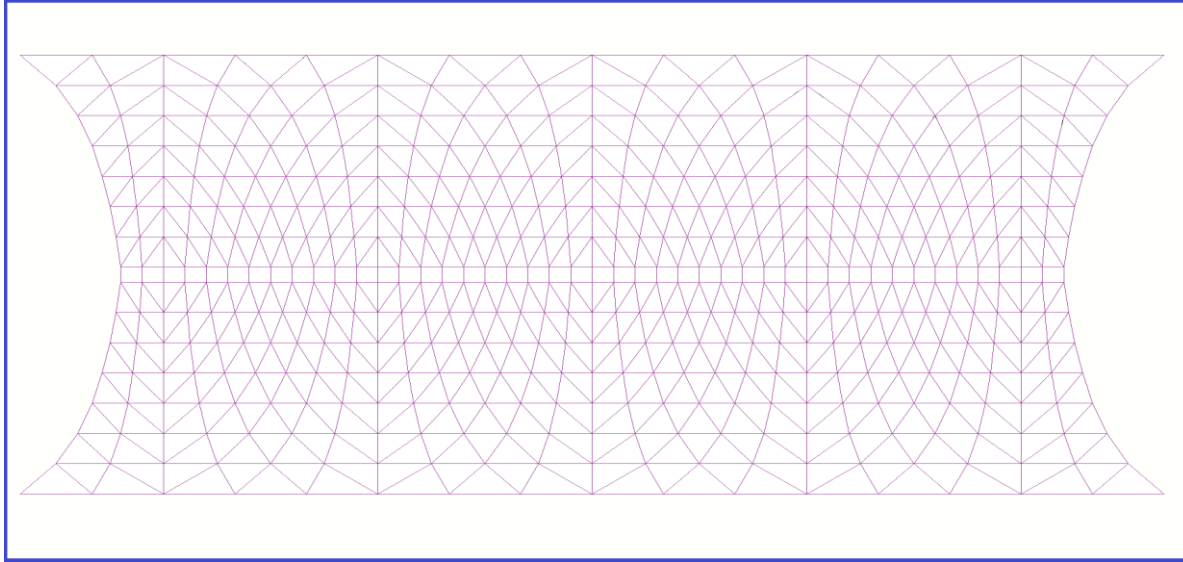
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Finite volume

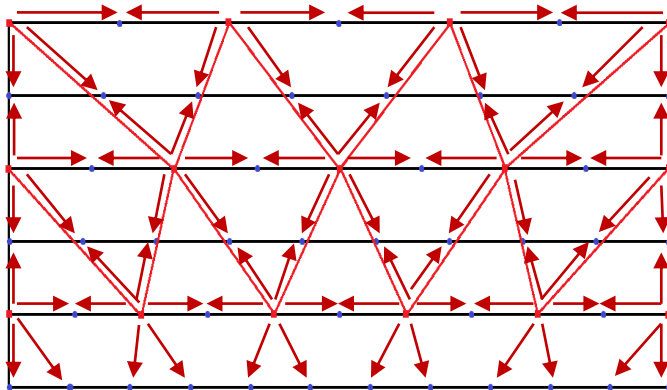
Spectral transform

Another alternative: higher-order finite-difference
development by *M. Glinton & P. Bénard*

Parallel restriction, prolongation and Atlas mesh generation

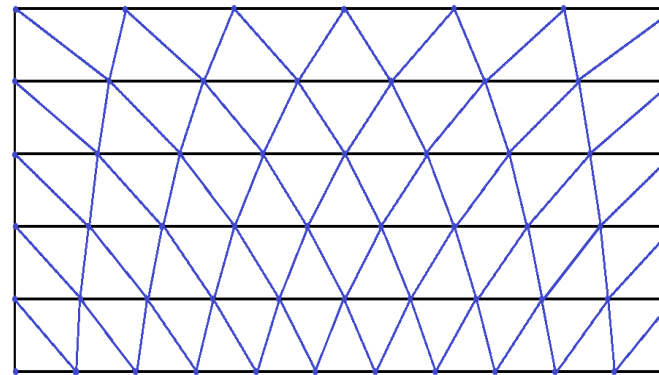


Distributed & Atlas



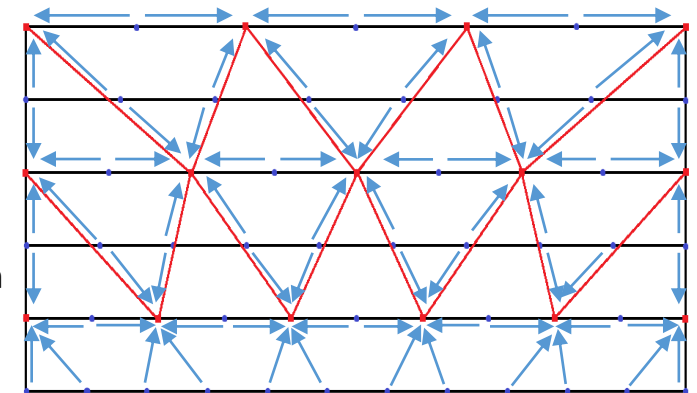
Coarse mesh

interpolation



Fine mesh

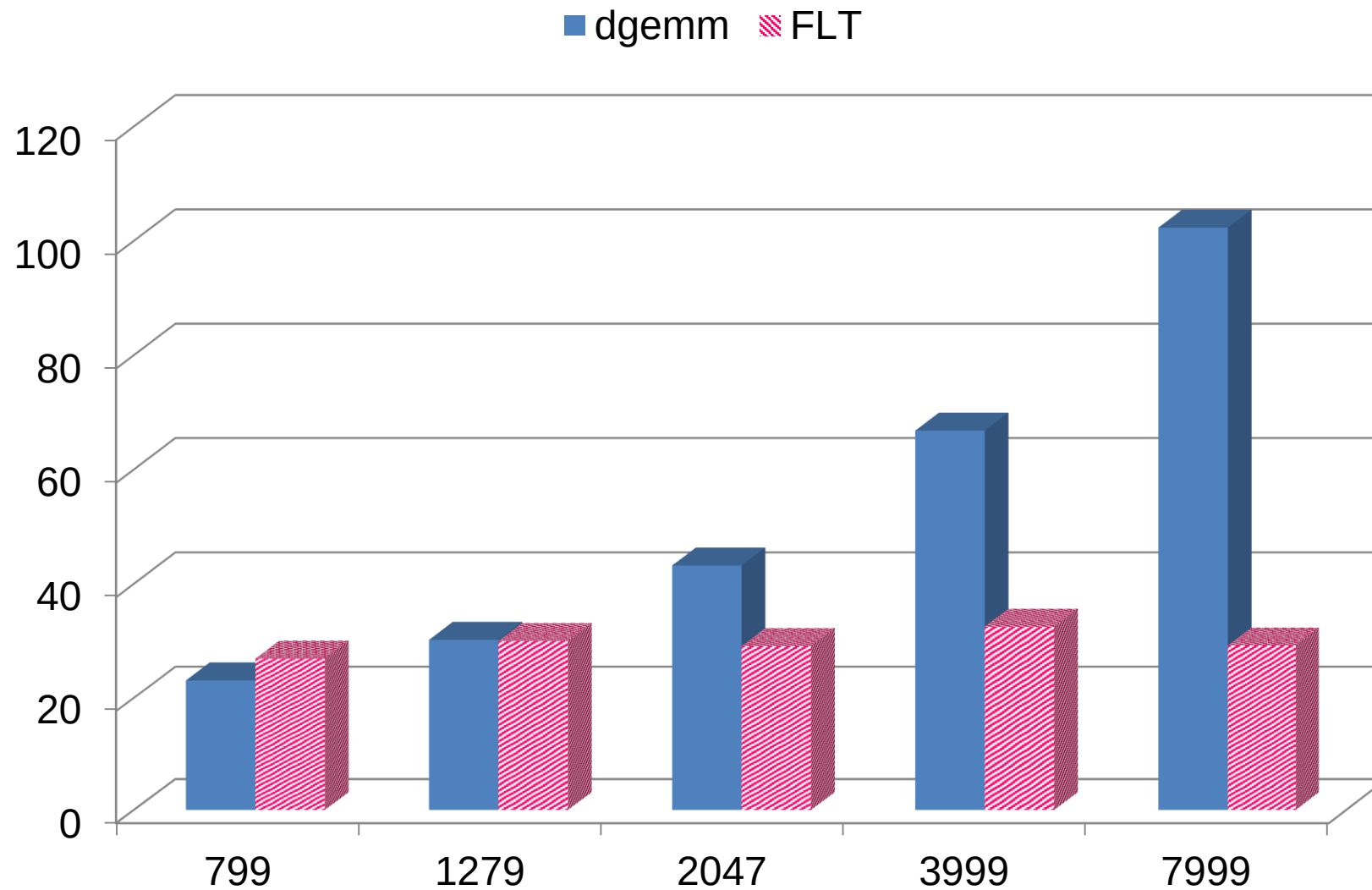
restriction



Coarse mesh

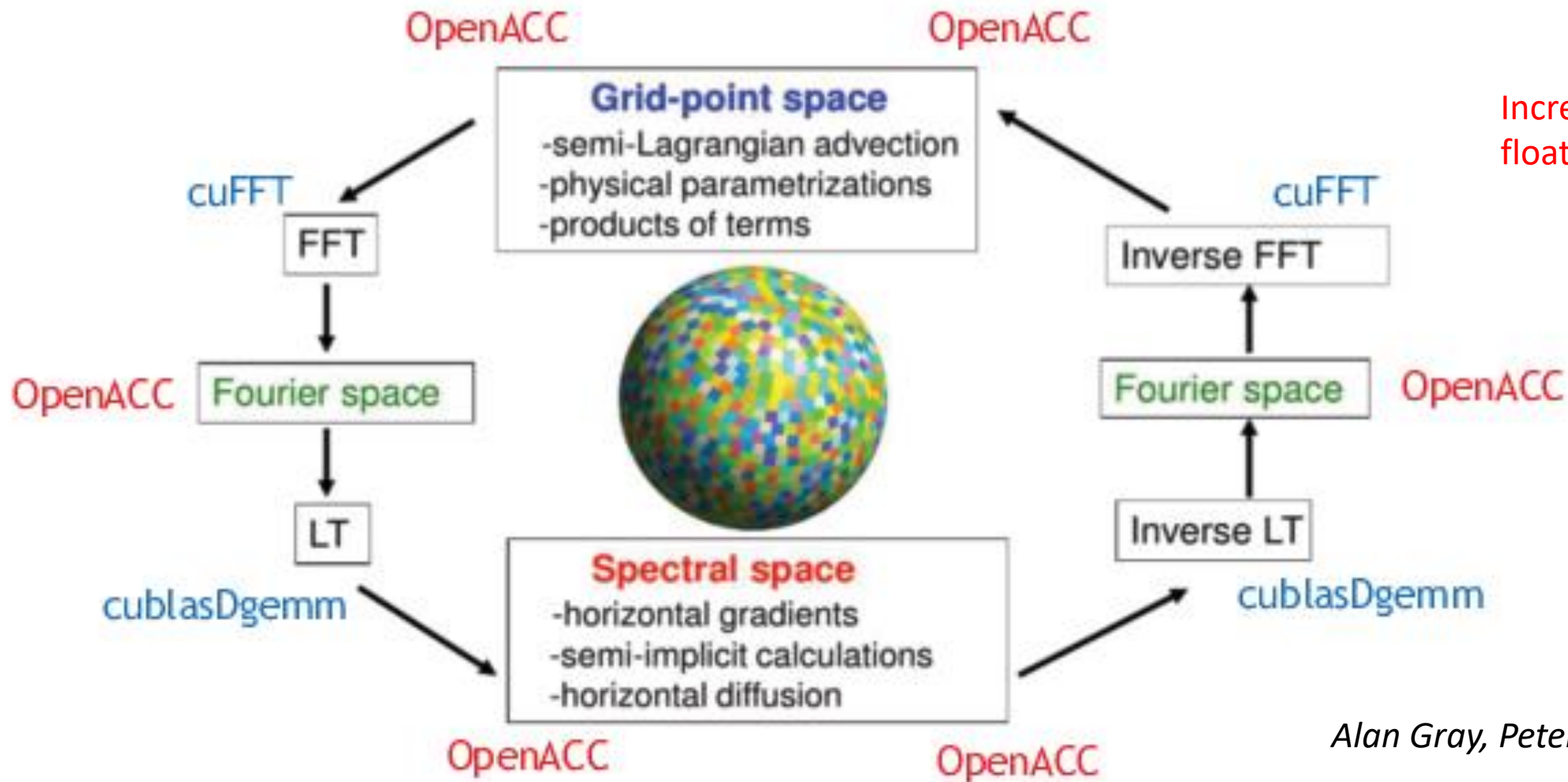
Fast Legendre Transform

Reduces number of
floating point operations



Number of floating point operations for direct or inverse spectral transforms of a single field, scaled by $N^2 \log^3 N$

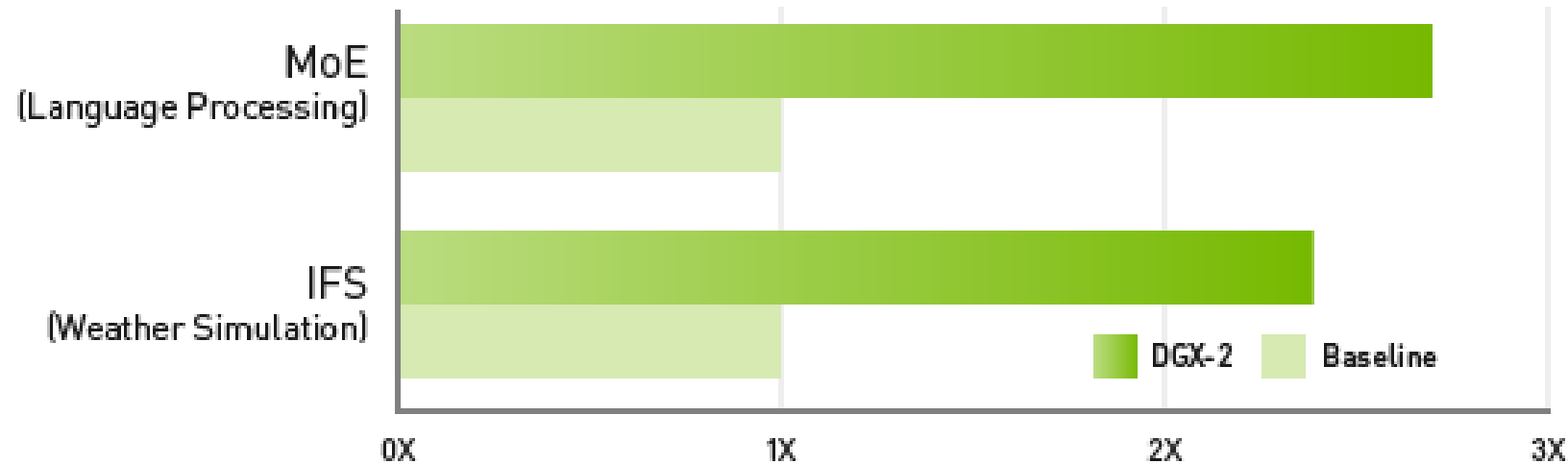
Schematic description of the *spectral transform method* in the ECMWF IFS model



Alan Gray, Peter Messmer, NVIDIA

Will Deep Learning influence algorithmic choices for weather & climate ?

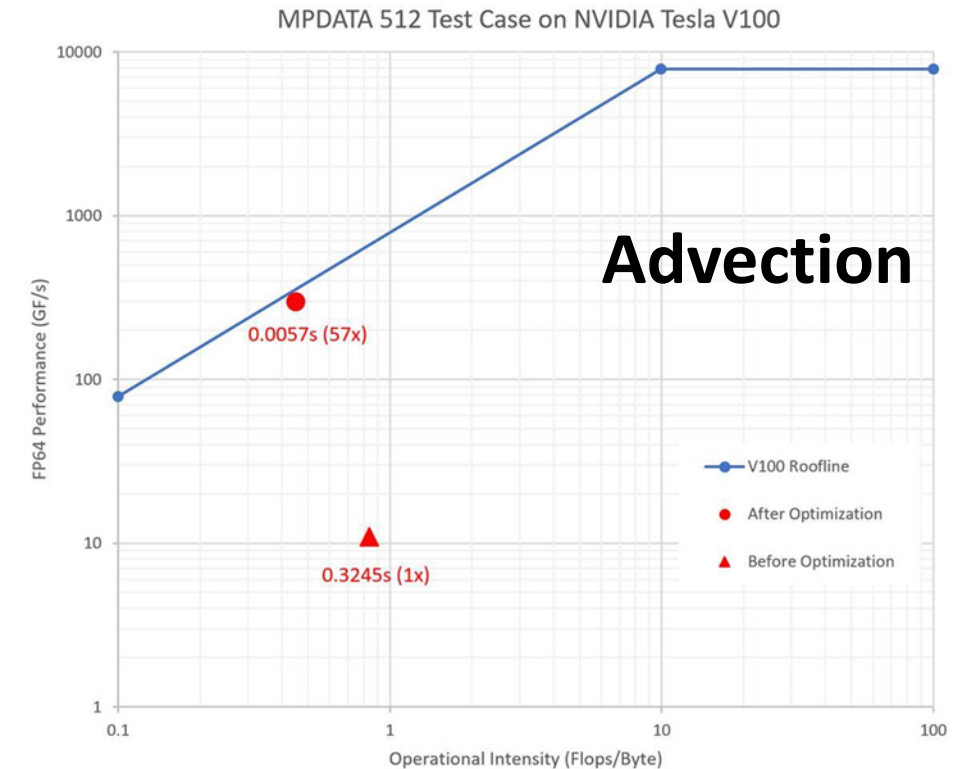
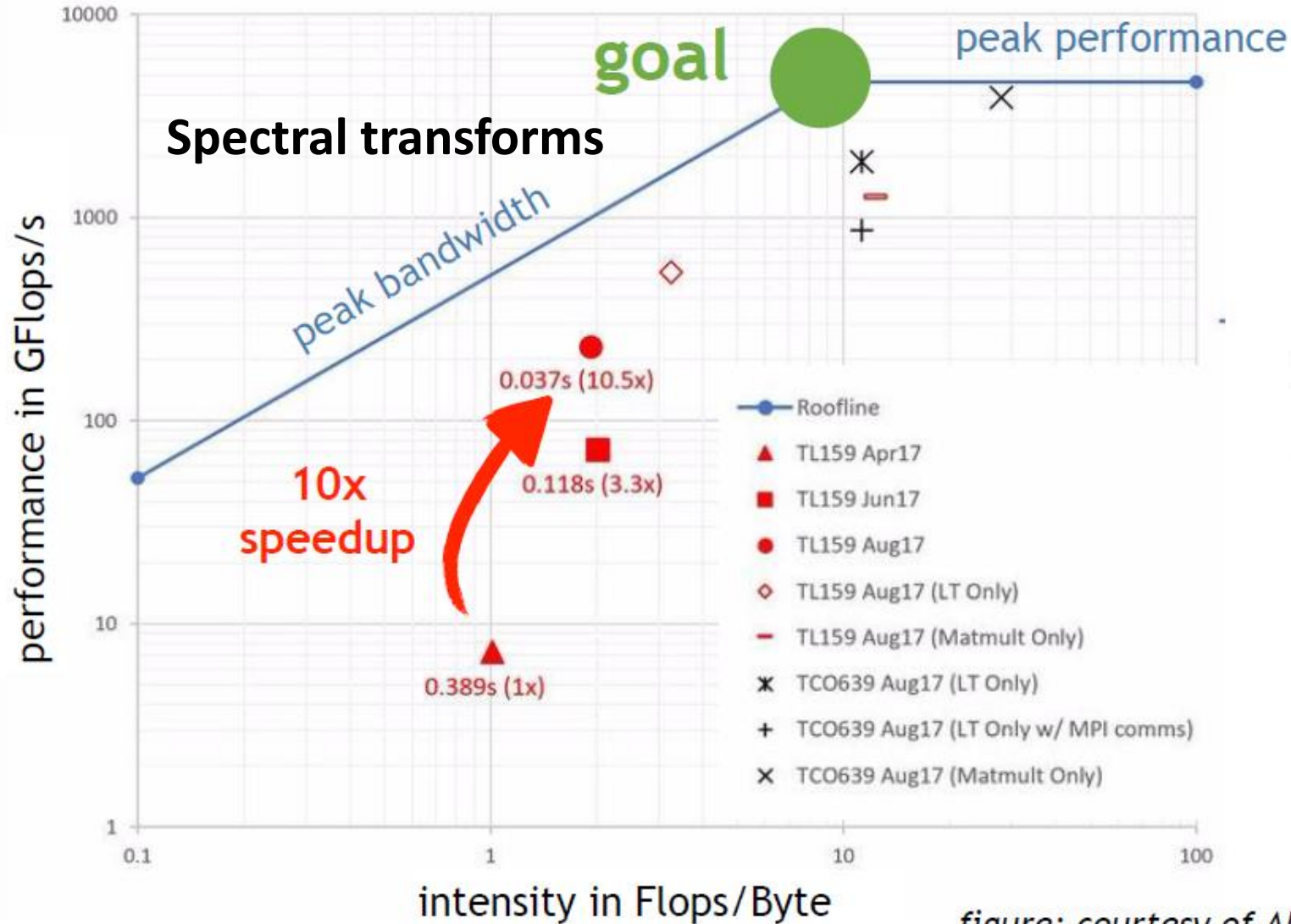
NVSwitch Delivers a >2X Speedup for Deep Learning and HPC*



System Configs: Each of the two DGX-1 servers have dual-socket Xeon E5 2690v4 Processor, 8 x V100 GPUs; servers connected via a 4 EDR (100Gb) InfiniBand connections. DGX-2 server has dual-socket Xeon Scalable Processor Platinum 8168 Processors, 16 x Tesla V100 GPUs.

See talk by A. Gray

<https://news.developer.nvidia.com/nvswitch-leveraging-nvlink-to-maximum-effect/>



GPU speed-up

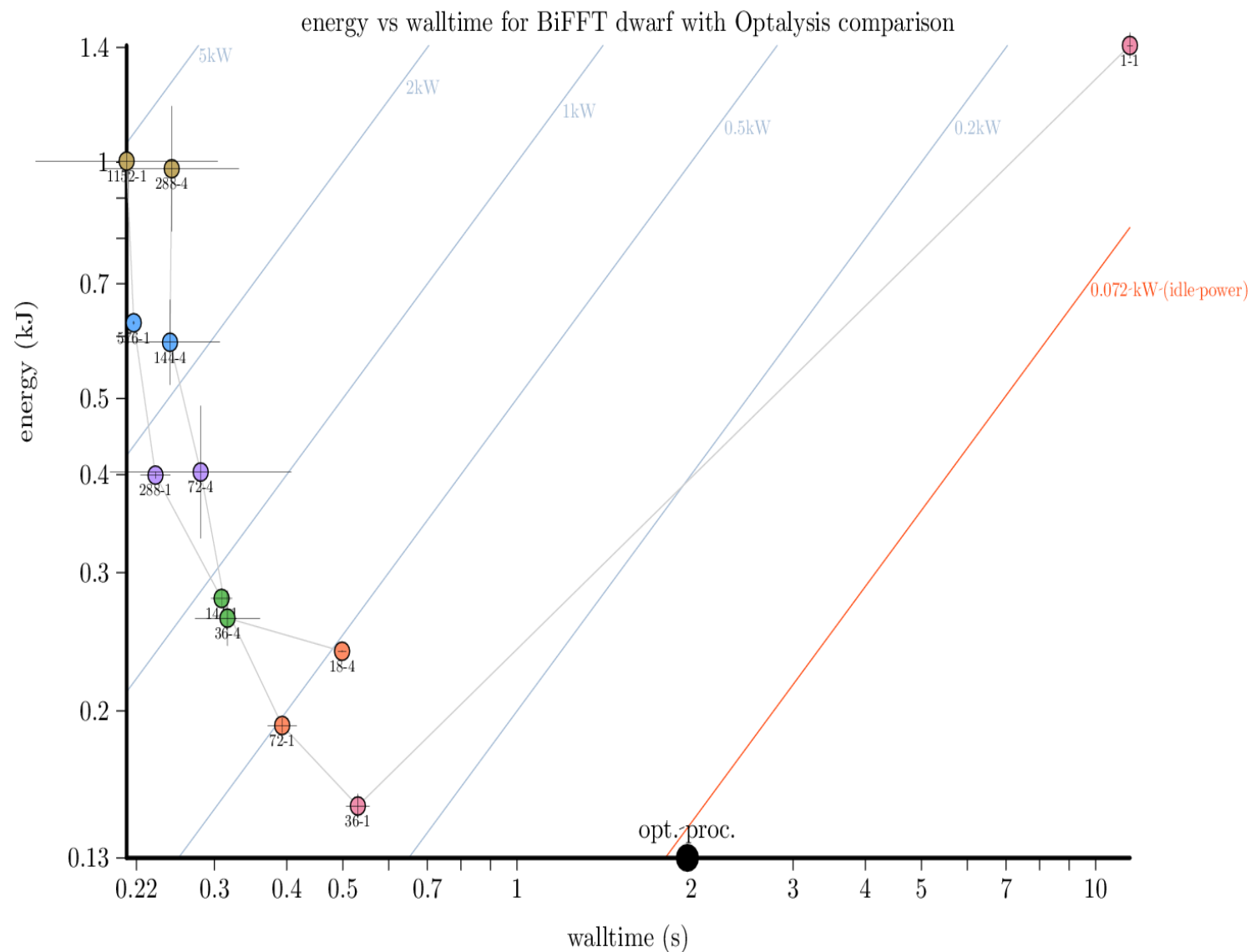
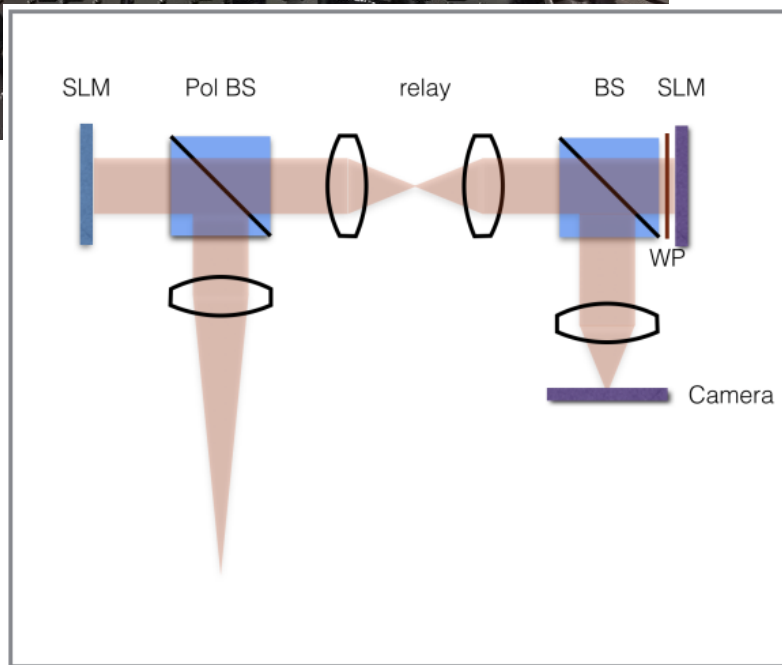
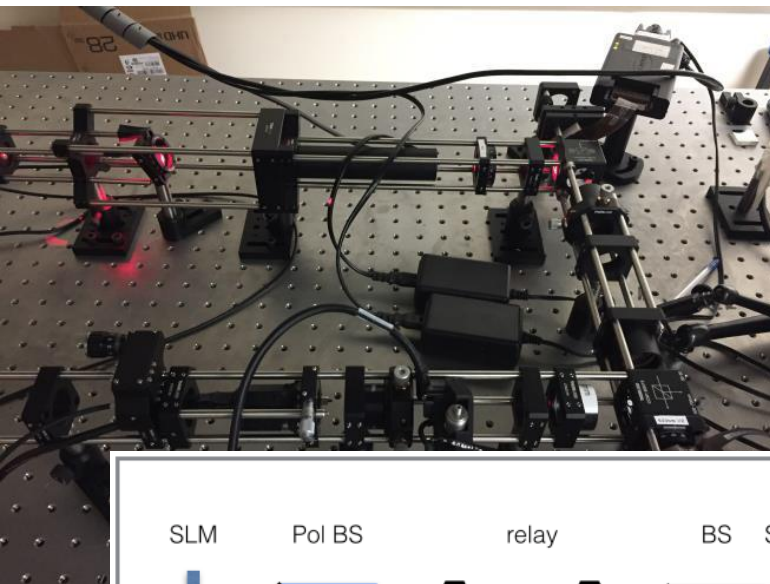
figure: courtesy of Alan Gray, Peter Messmer (NVIDIA)



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Optalysys: optical processor for spectral transform (biFFT and spherical harmonics) at speed of light ?

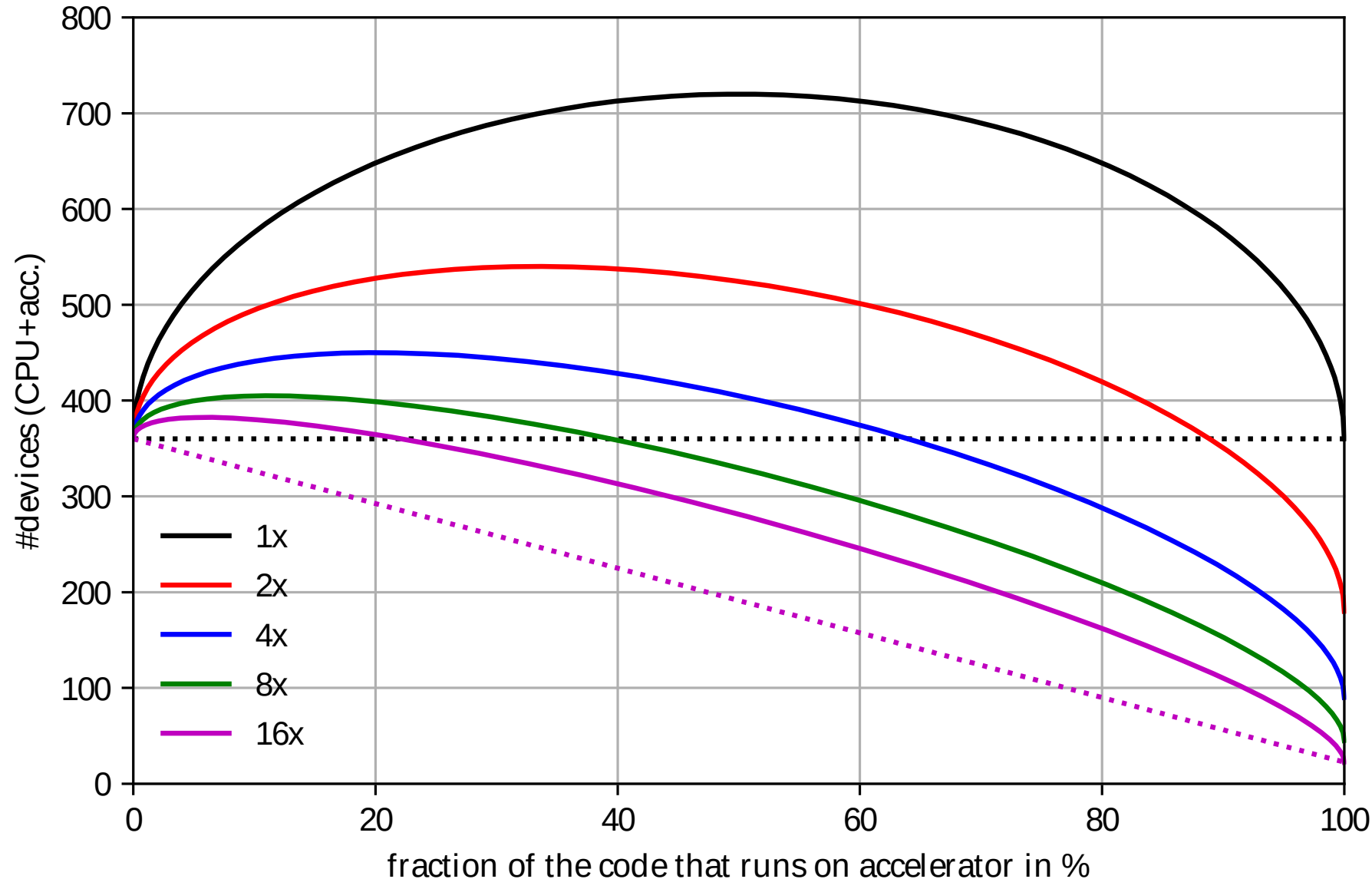
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Benefit of accelerators – theoretical model number of devices (acc.+CPU) at MétéoFrance



Assumes:
sequential execution
perfect scalability

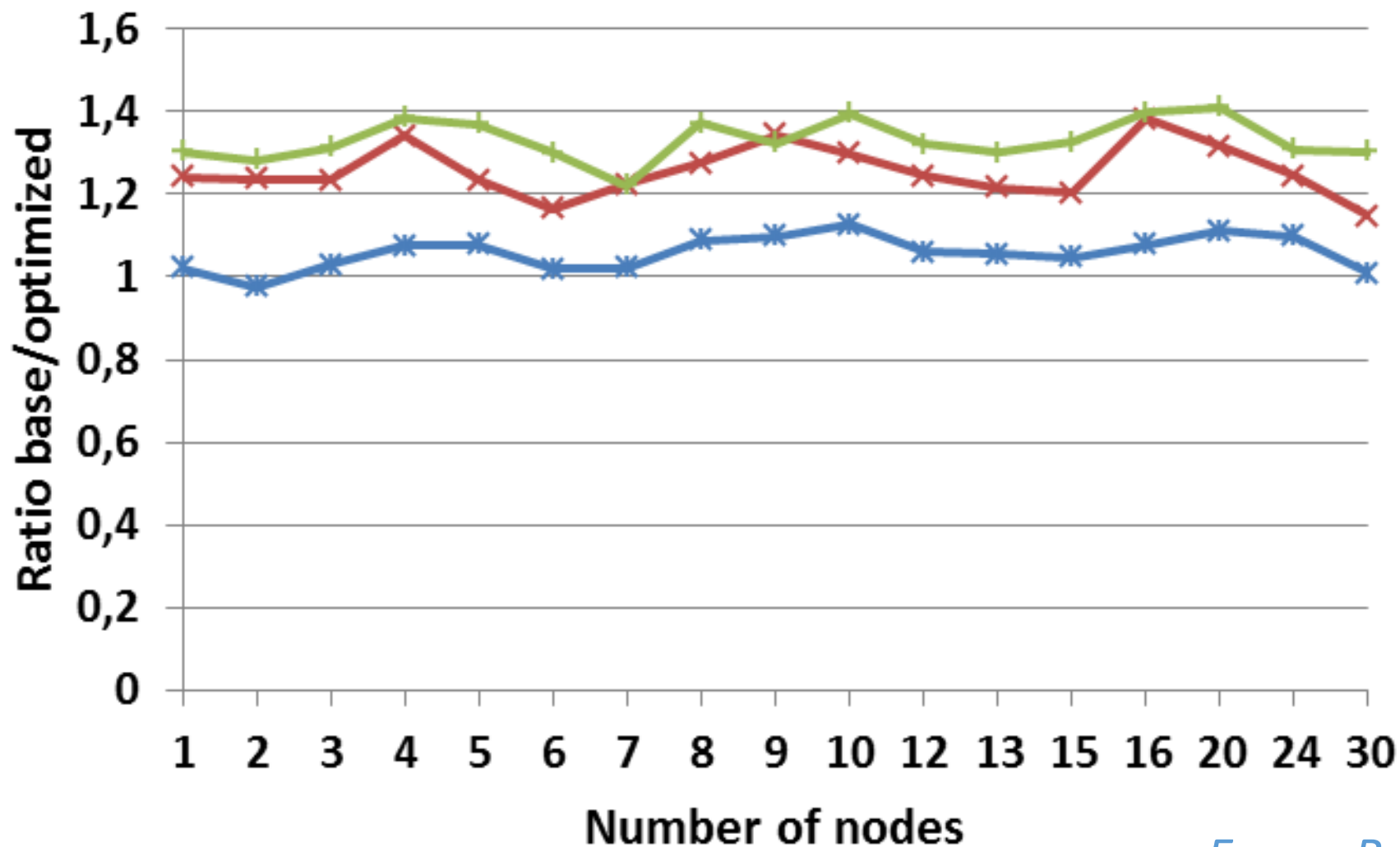
*Philippe Marginaud,
Andreas Mueller*



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Spectral transform optimisation by Atos/Bull

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transposition in
Fourier transform:
2-3x speedup

—*— Barrier
—x— Pack/Unpack
—+— Both

measurements for
the plot: SKX,
similar results on
Cray at ECMWF

Erwan Raffin

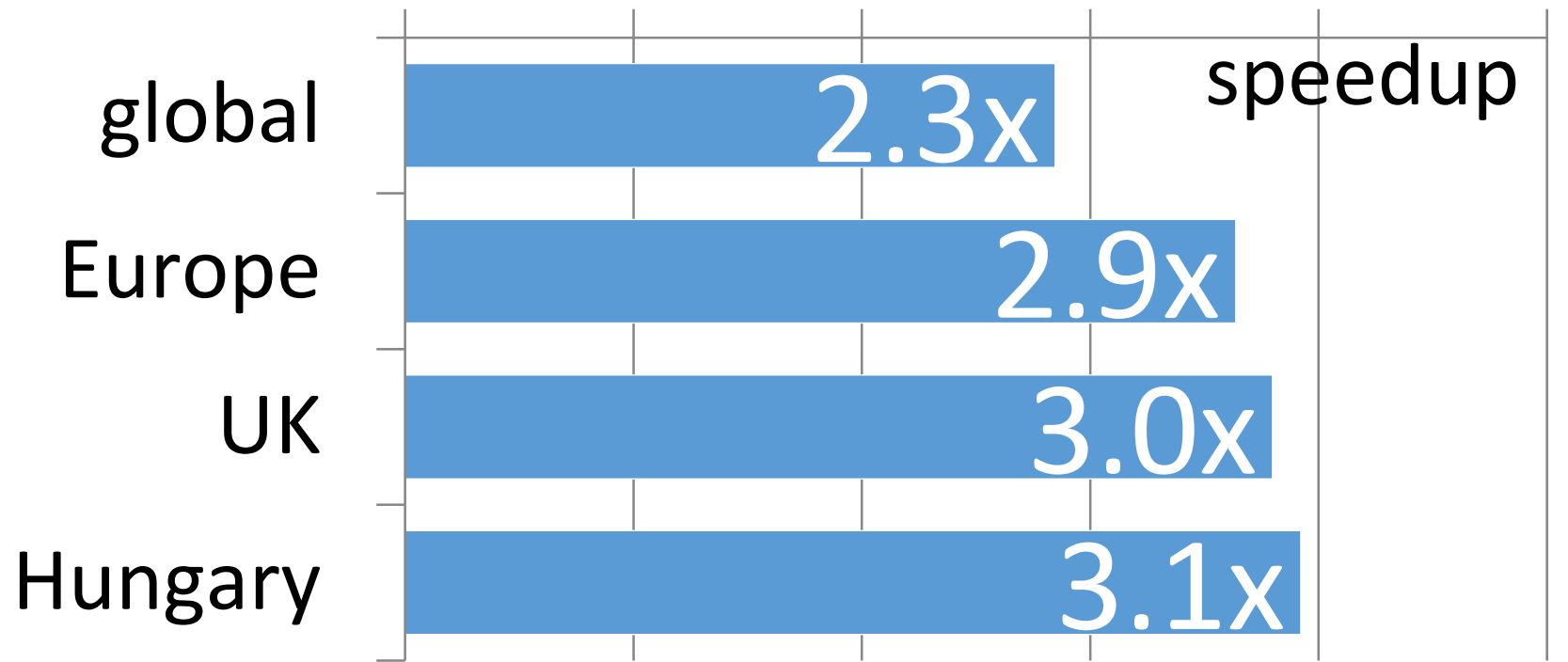


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Optimisations in IFS on CPUs postprocessing of spectral data at 9km resolution



Single CPU



Andreas Mueller

speedup compared to current operational transform used for postprocessing

Geosci. Model Dev., 11, 1665–1681, 2018
<https://doi.org/10.5194/gmd-11-1665-2018>
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Near-global climate simulation at 1 km resolution: establishing a performance baseline on 4888 GPUs with COSMO 5.0

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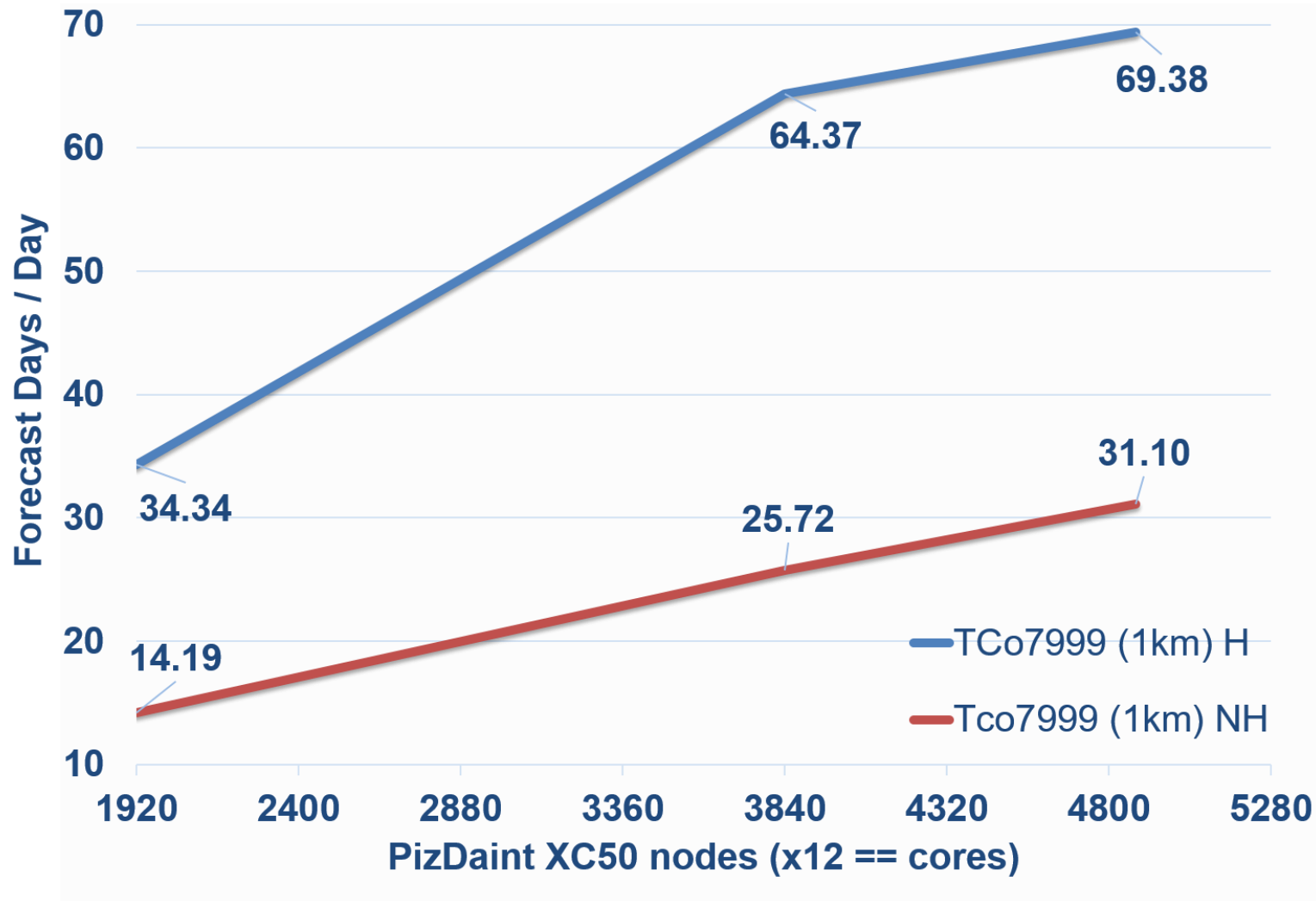
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IFS 1km: strong scaling on PizDaint

Goal ~1 year / Day



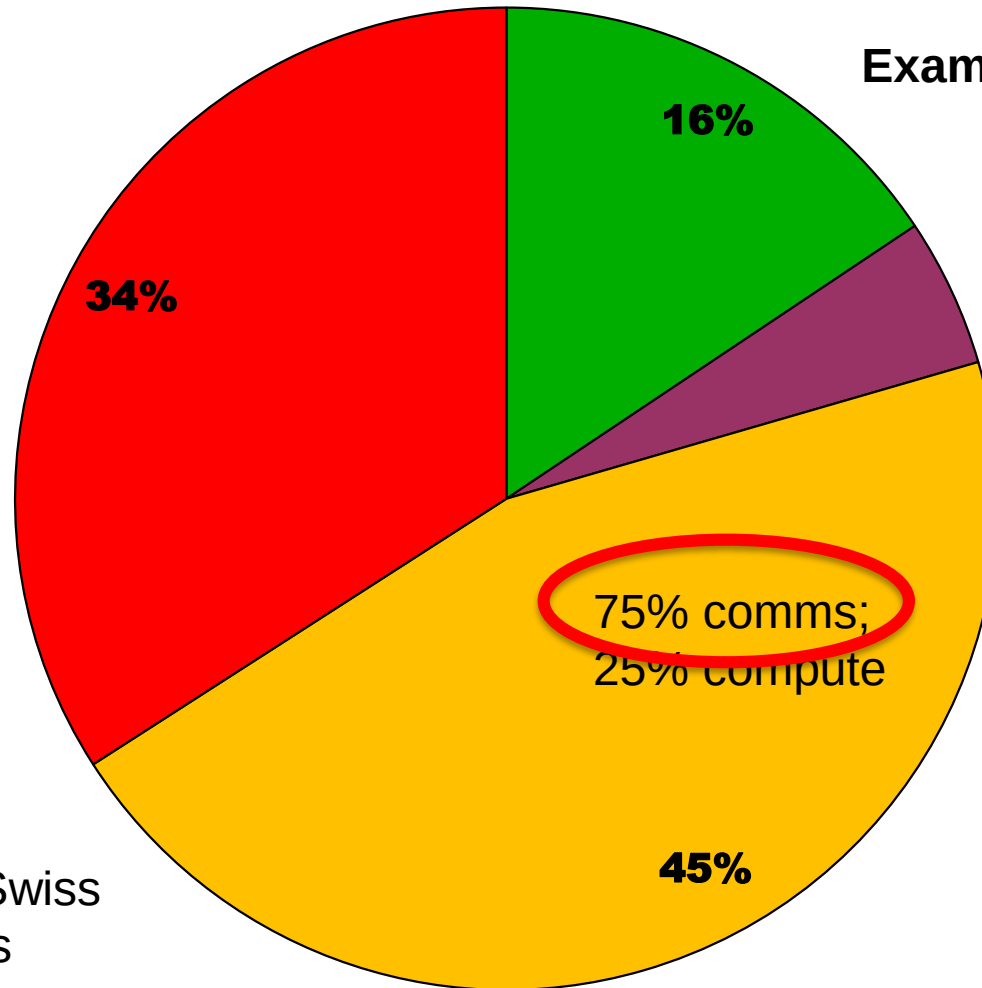
Result of algorithmic changes and single precision

Many thanks to
Thomas Schulthess &
Maria Grazia Giuffreda !

The cost profile of a 1.25km IFS atmosphere simulation on Piz Daint (CPU only)



Example: TCo7999 L62 (~1.25km)



4880 MPI tasks x 12 threads

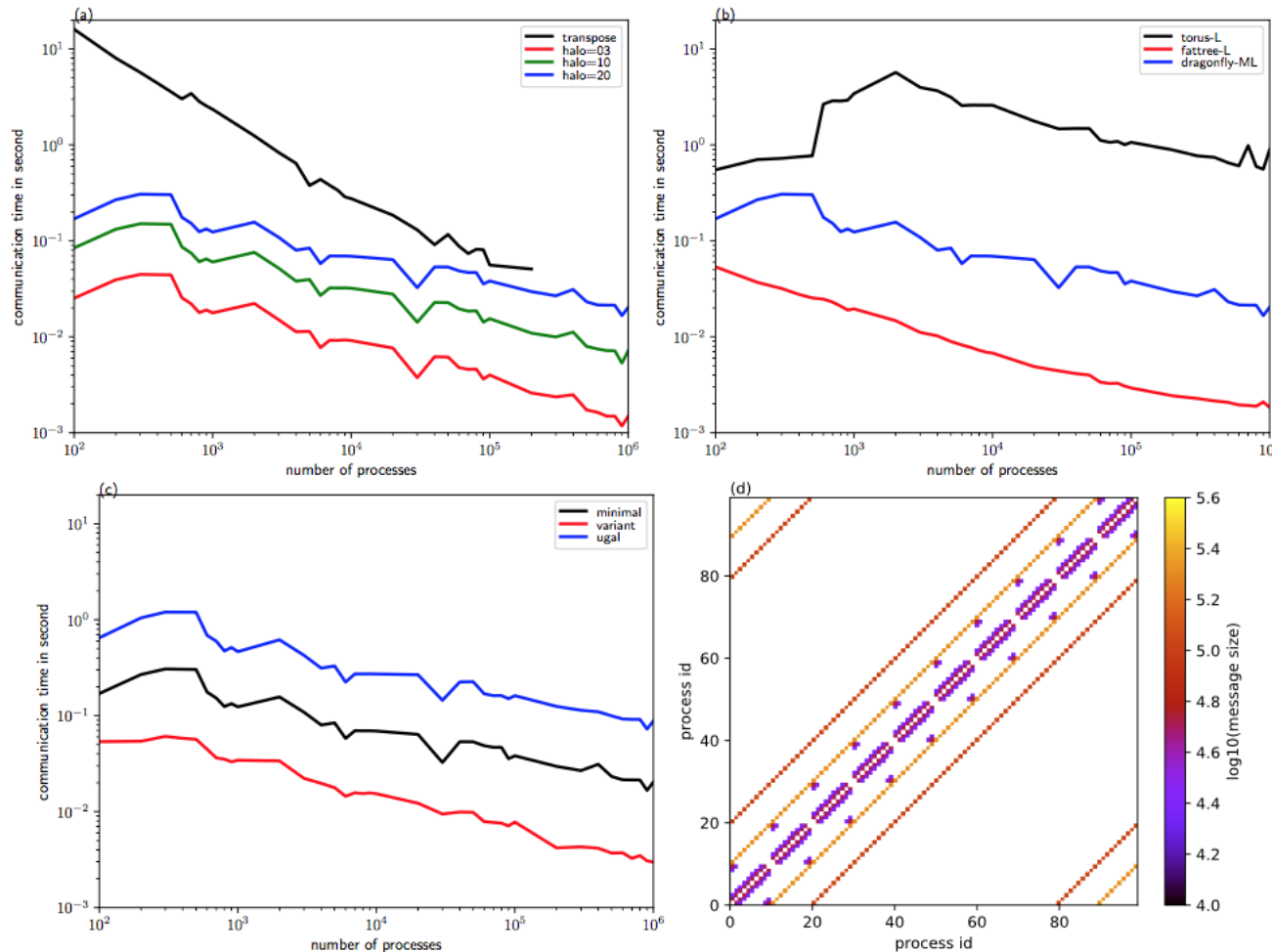
69 FC/day ~ 0.19 SYPD

single precision / FLT

~85.21 MWh / SY

Based on the Piz Daint, Swiss
Cray XC50 Haswell, Aries
interconnect, ~5000 nodes
total

Simulating performance and scalability of MPI communications

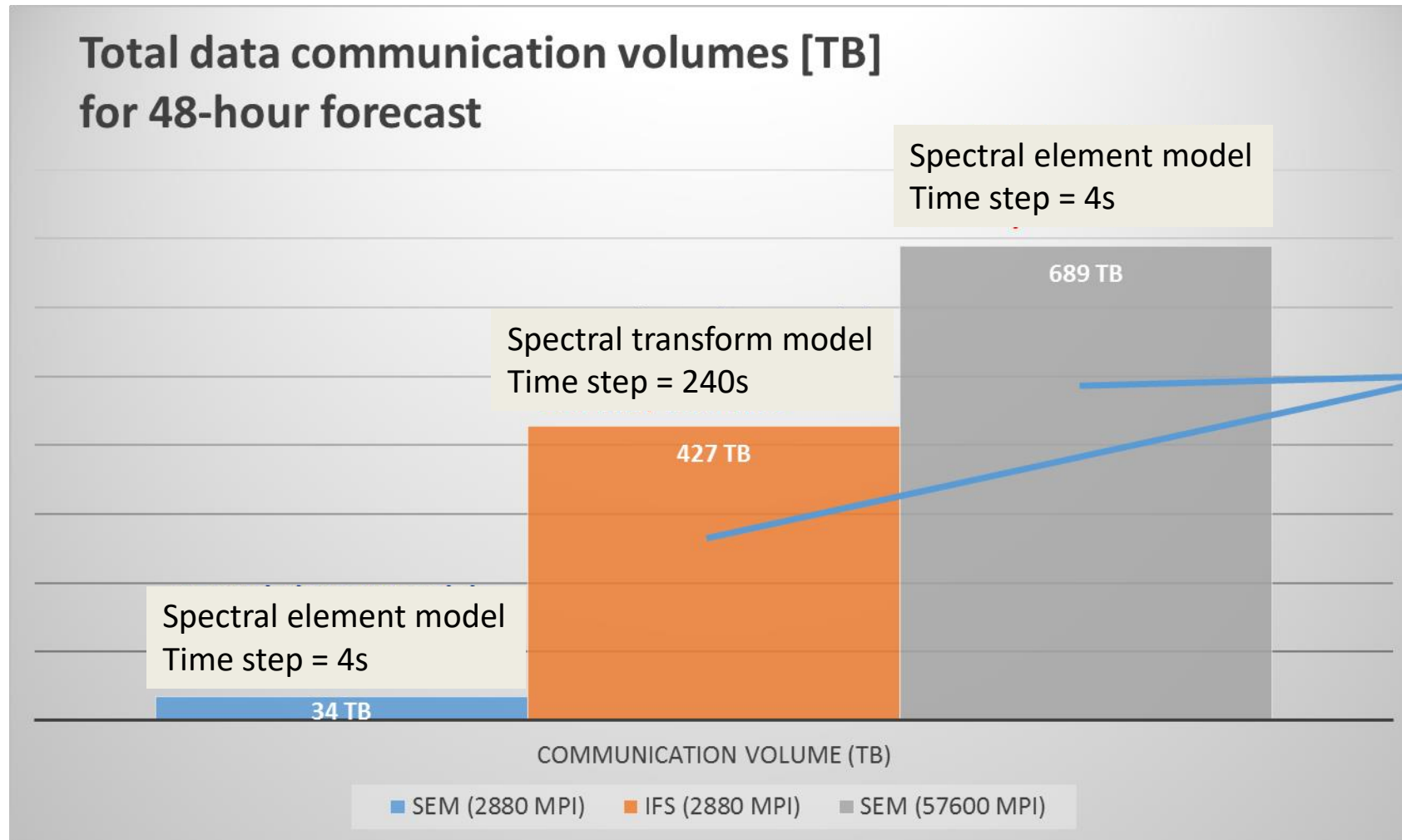


Communication time as a function of halo size, topology & routing algorithm, compared to spectral transpositions

Zheng and Marginaud (GMD, 2018)

MPI collectives at least across a subset of nodes are required in NWP & climate!

Communication is bad – small time steps are worse



Same time to solution!
Energy efficiency?

Data movement x100 (x1000)
more expensive than
computations in time (energy)!

[Shalf et al. 2011]



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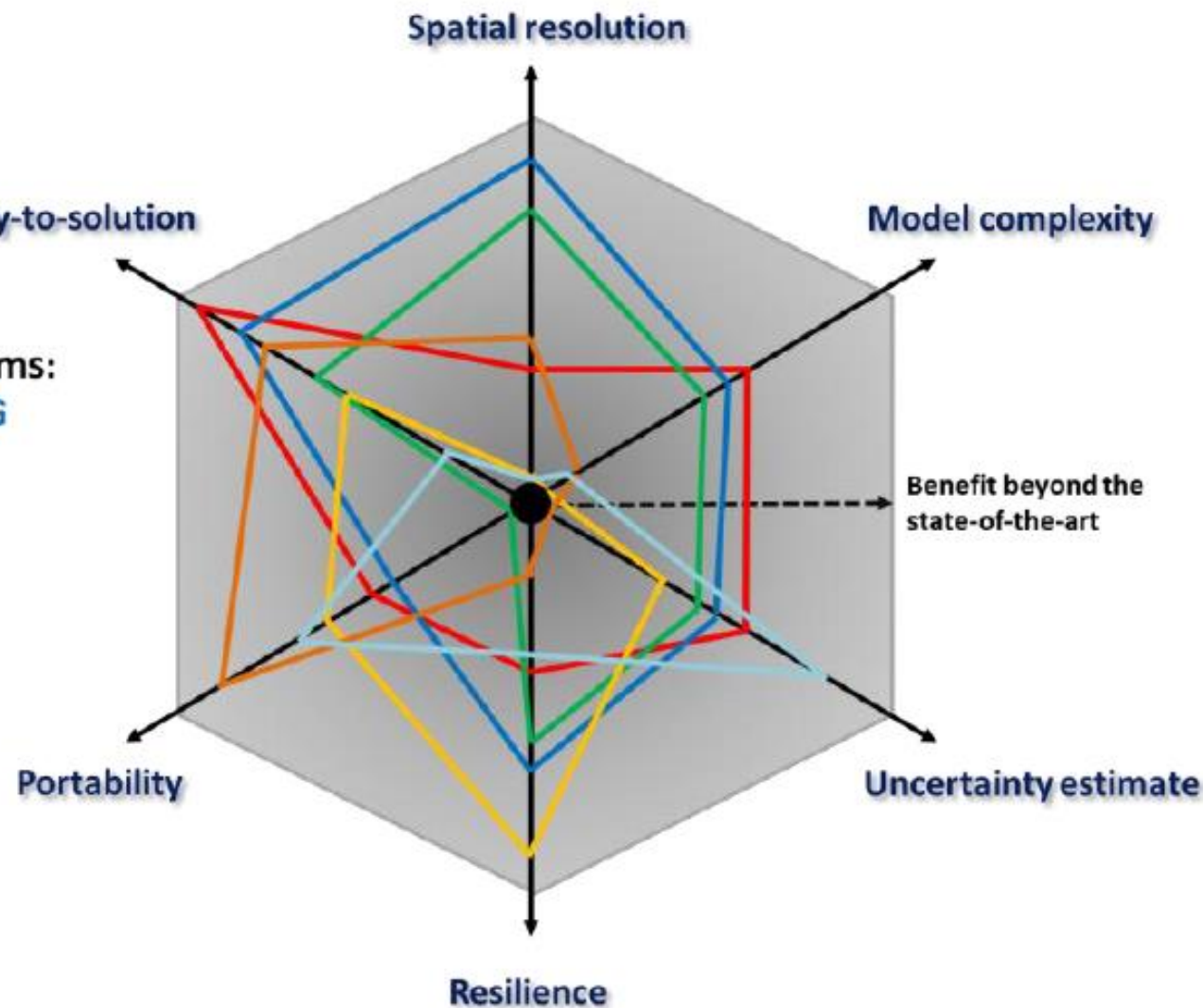


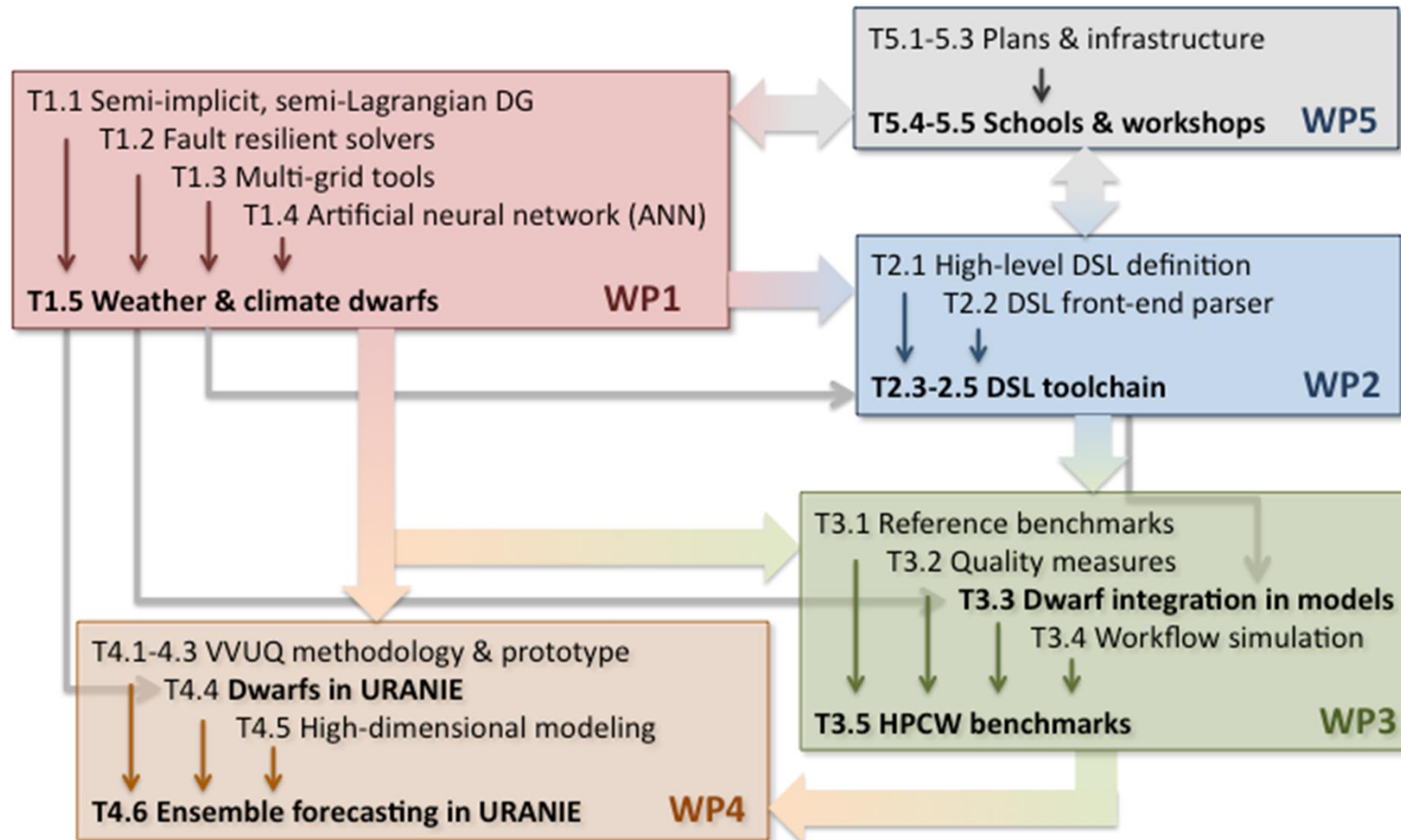


Mathematical methods and algorithms:

- Semi-implicit, semi-Lagrangian CG/DG
 - Hierarchical multigrid tools
 - Fault resilient solver
 - Artificial neural networks
- and:
- DSL toolchain
 - Ensemble based URANIE

● State-of-the-art

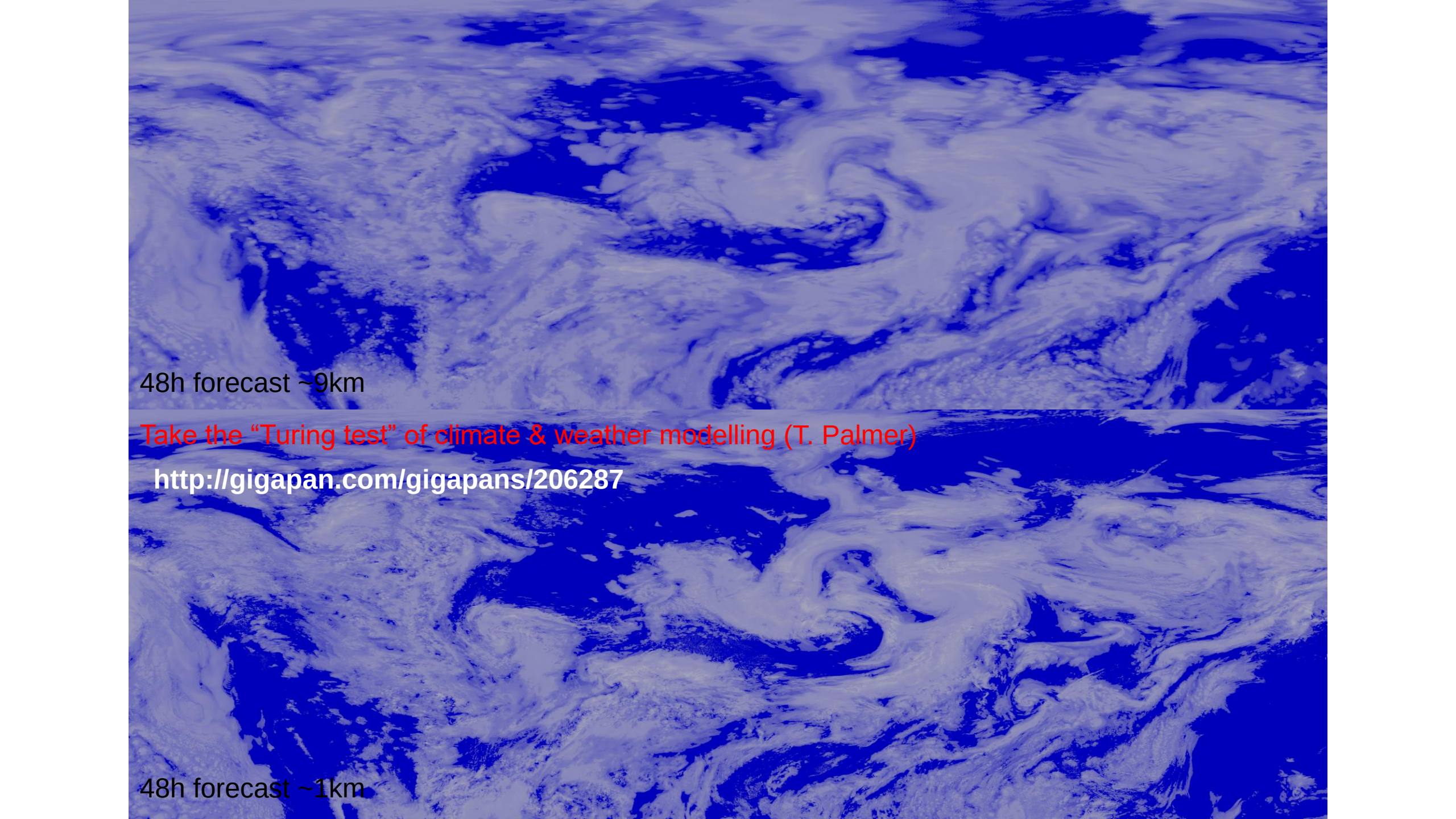






- Numerical weather prediction & climate needs sustained efforts to evolve together with emerging computing opportunities
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A satellite image of Earth showing complex cloud patterns, including large-scale cyclones and swirling cloud formations over the ocean. The image is in grayscale, highlighting the intricate textures and structures of the atmosphere.

48h forecast ~9km

Take the “Turing test” of climate & weather modelling (T. Palmer)

<http://gigapan.com/gigapans/206287>

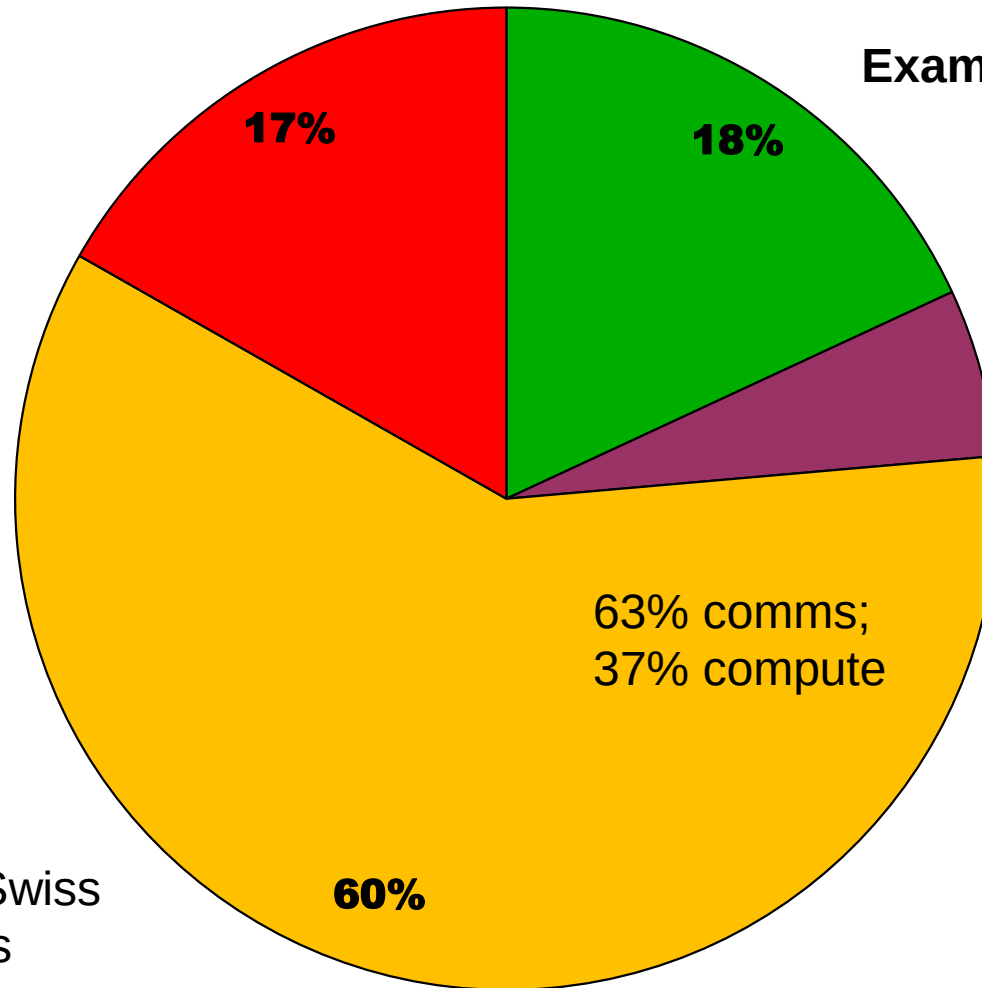
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Additional slides

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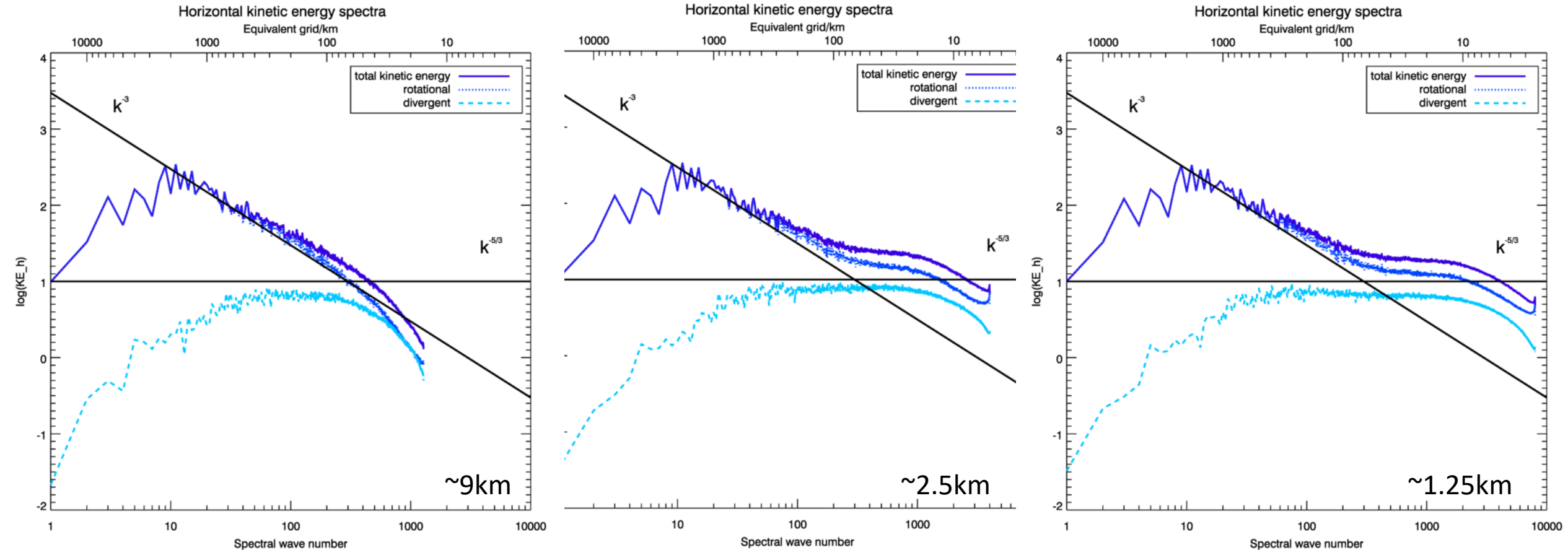
32 FC/day ~ 0.088 SYPD

single precision / FLT

~191.74 MWh / SY

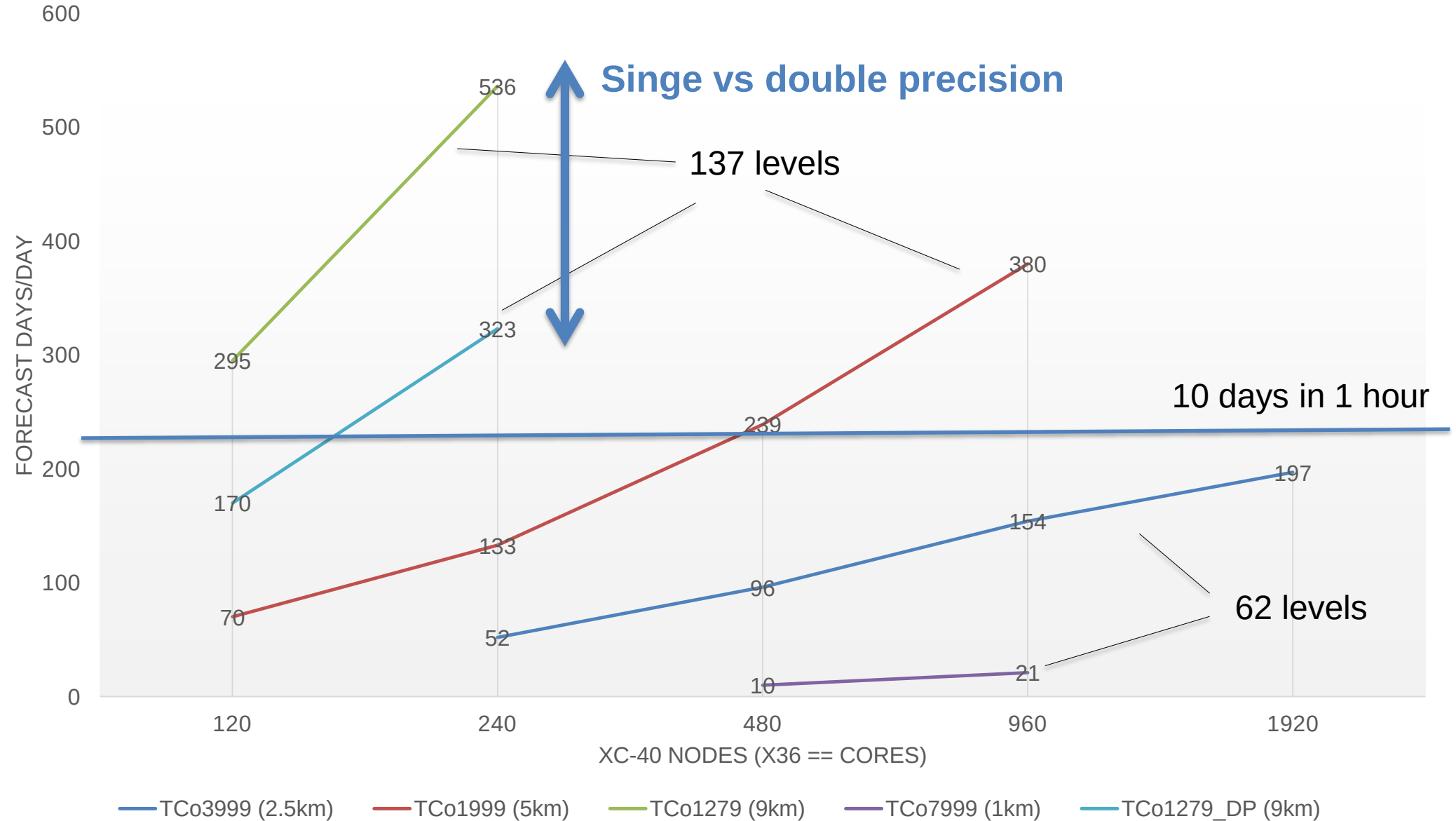
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Global KE - Spectra ~500hPa



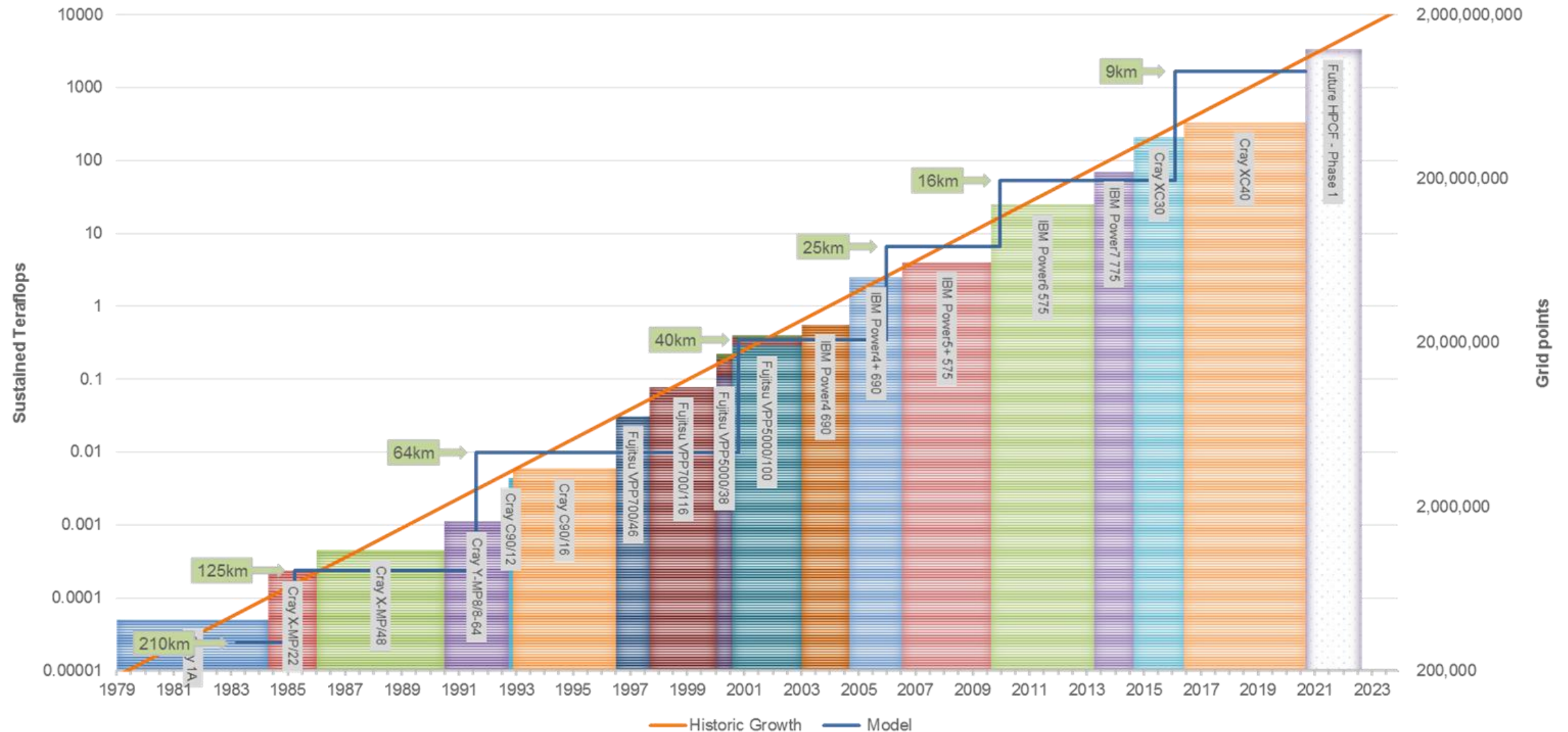
Resolve rather than parametrize much of the crucial vertical transport of momentum and heat

IFS single precision performance – Atmosphere only (no I/O)



(Vana, Dueben et al 2017)

Sustained HPC performance



Ensemble of assimilations and forecasts

